

# Complementary Detectors: NEDA + DIAMANT

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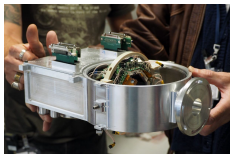


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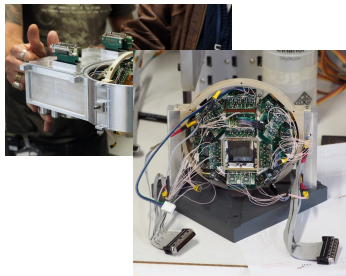
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# GENERALITIES



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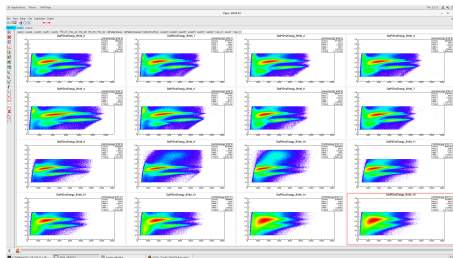
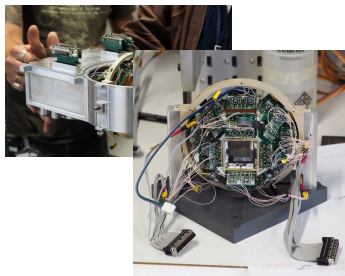
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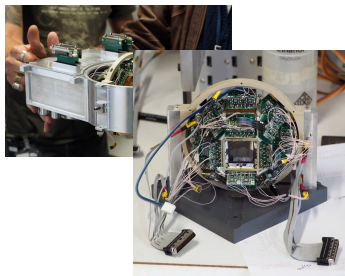
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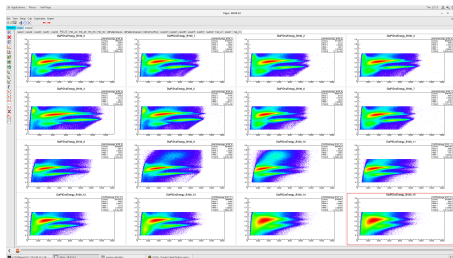
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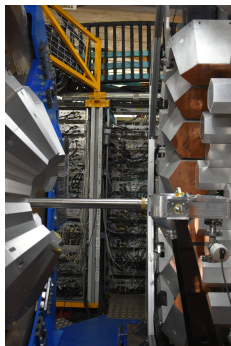
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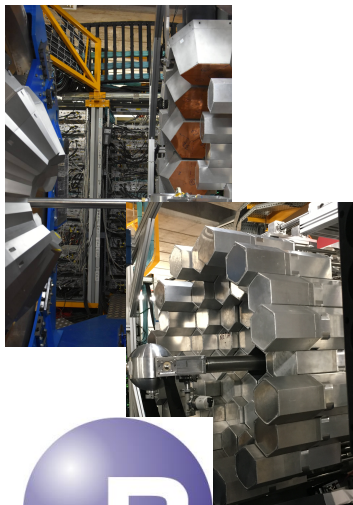


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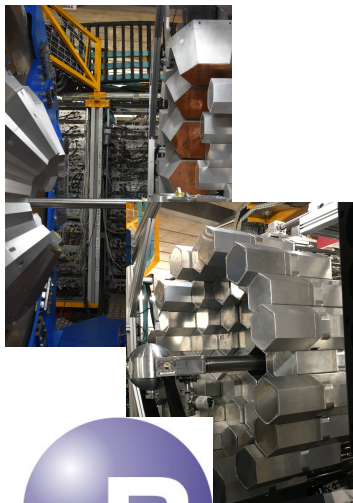
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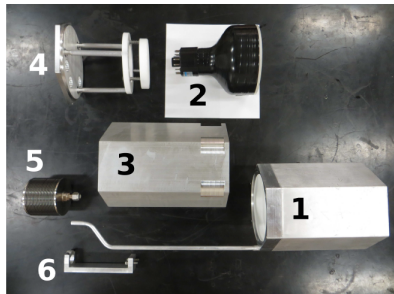
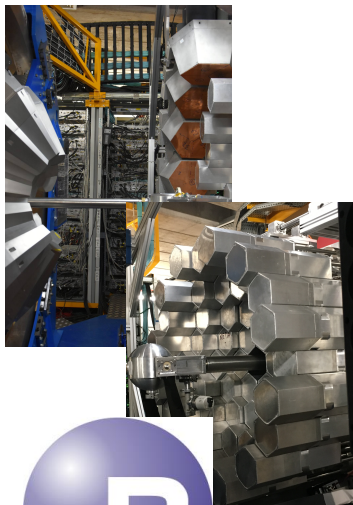


Fig. 1. Elements used for the construction of the NEDA detector: detector cell, with extension pipe (1); PMT (2); PMT housing (3); PMT pusher (4); the bellow (5) and the support for the bellow (6).



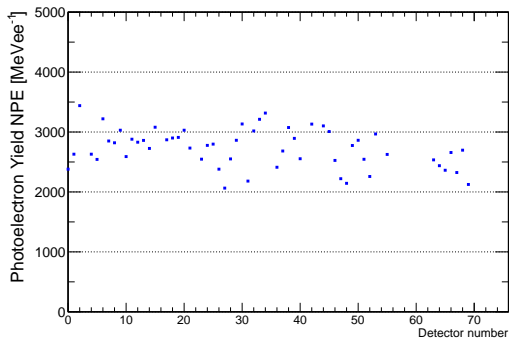
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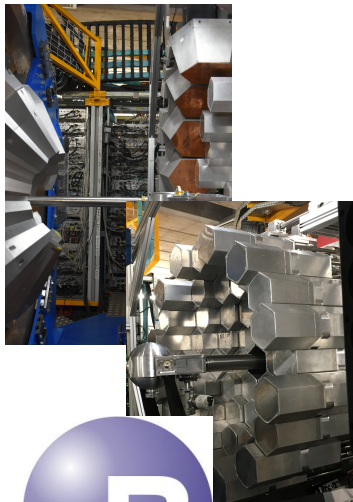
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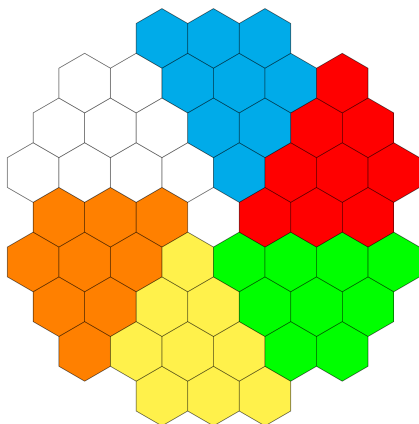
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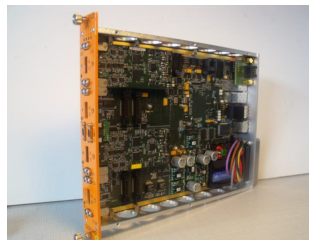


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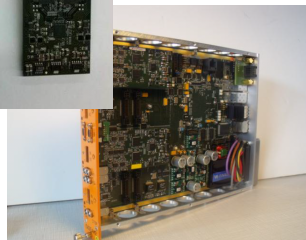
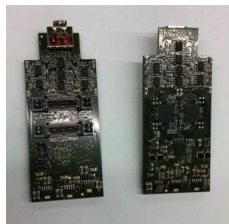
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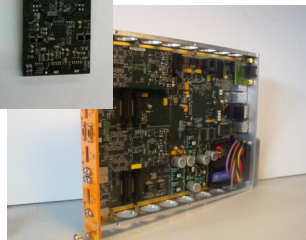
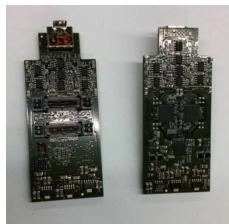
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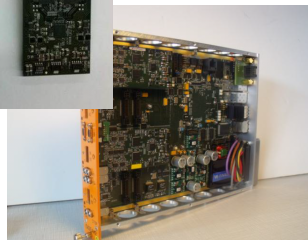
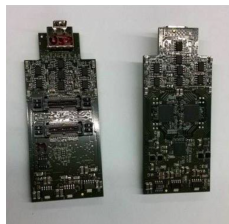
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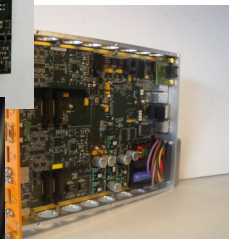
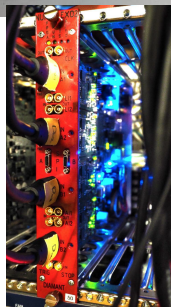
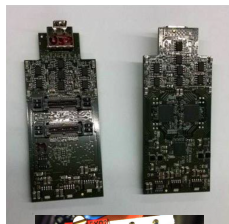
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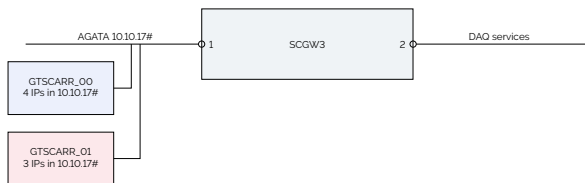
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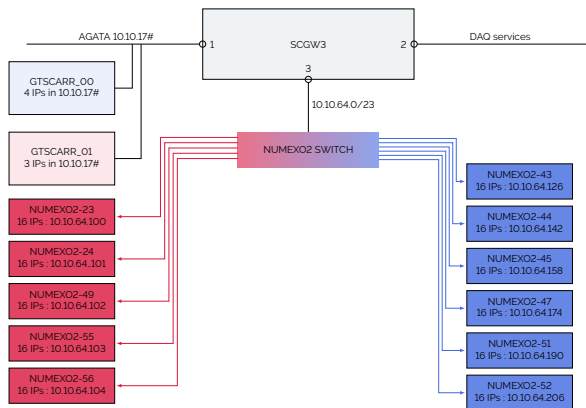
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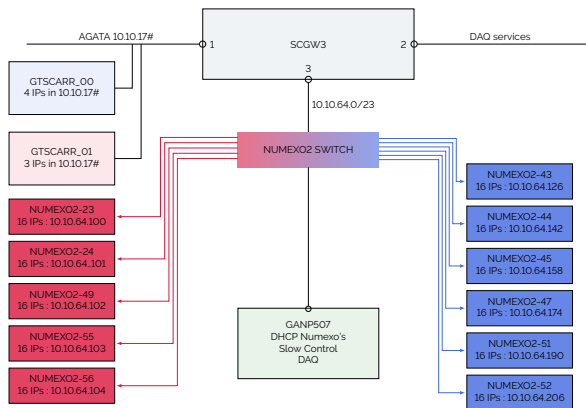
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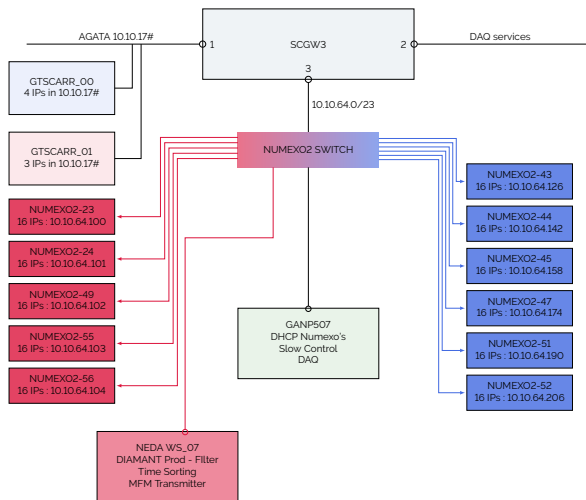
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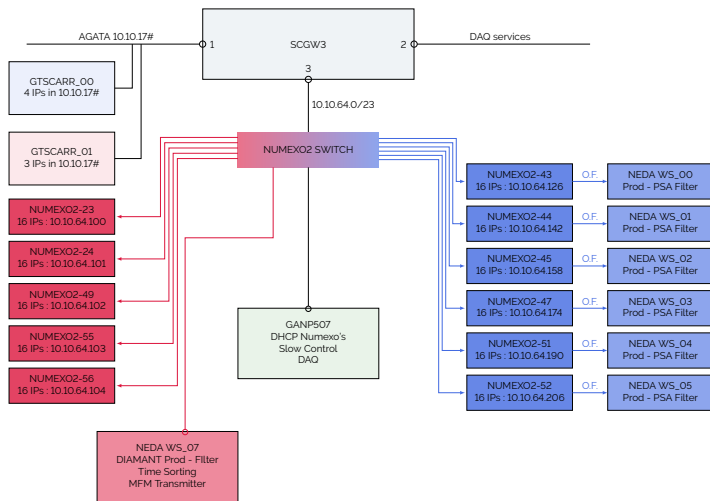
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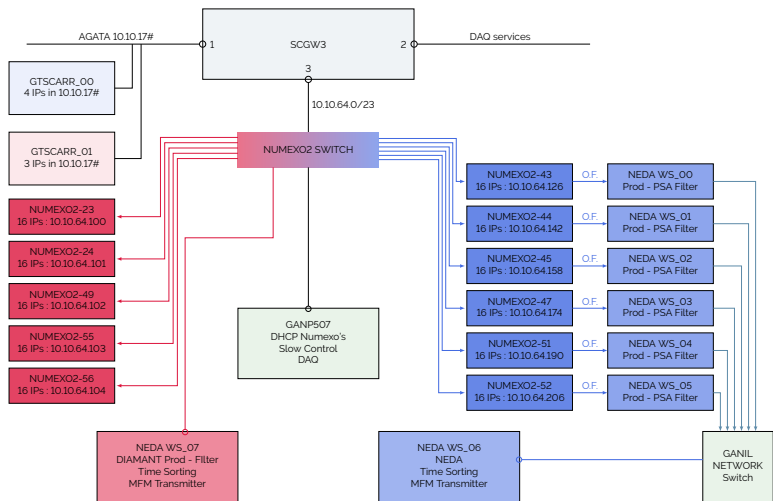
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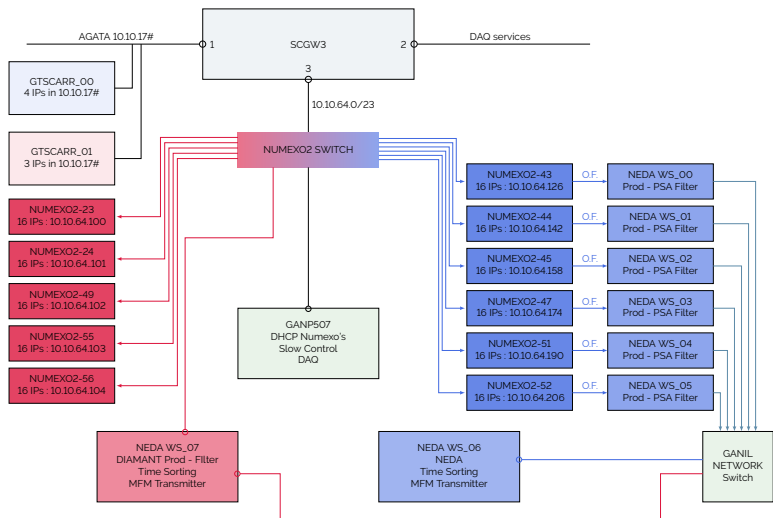


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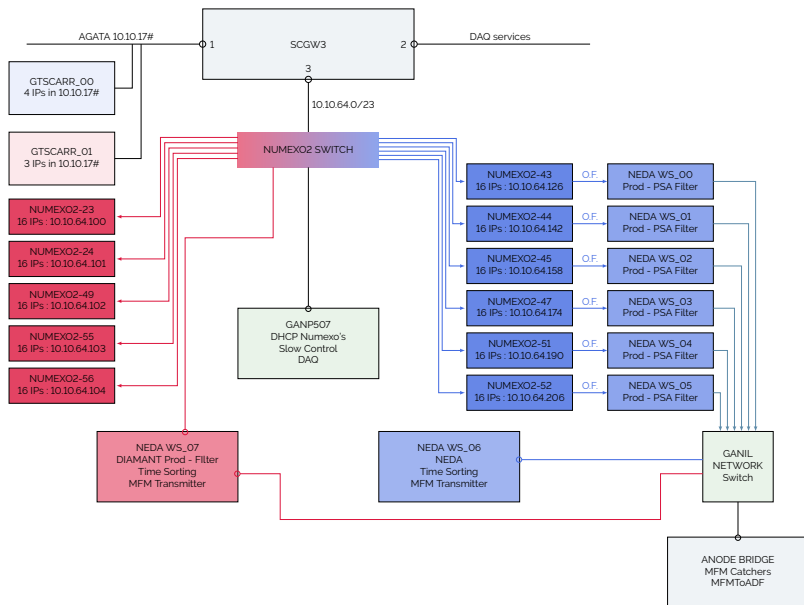




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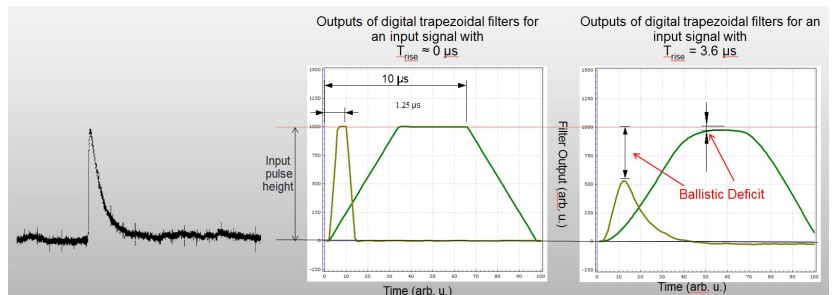


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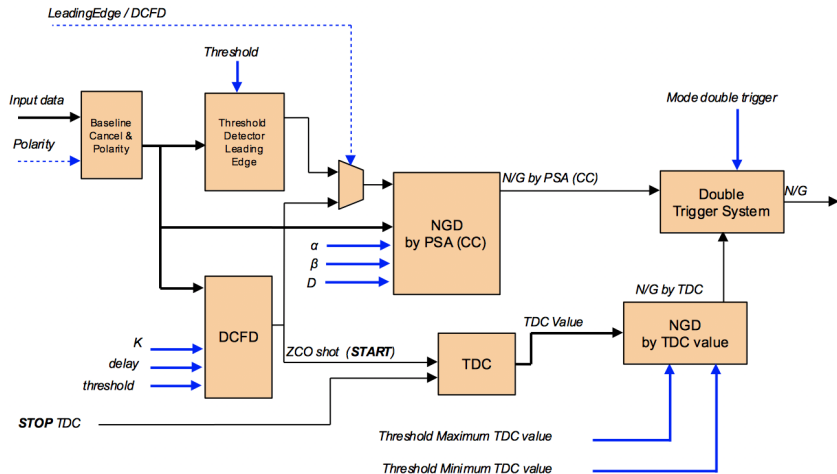
## PARTICLE DISCRIMINATION AT THE FPGA LEVEL

# The DIAMANT Virtex 6 firmware



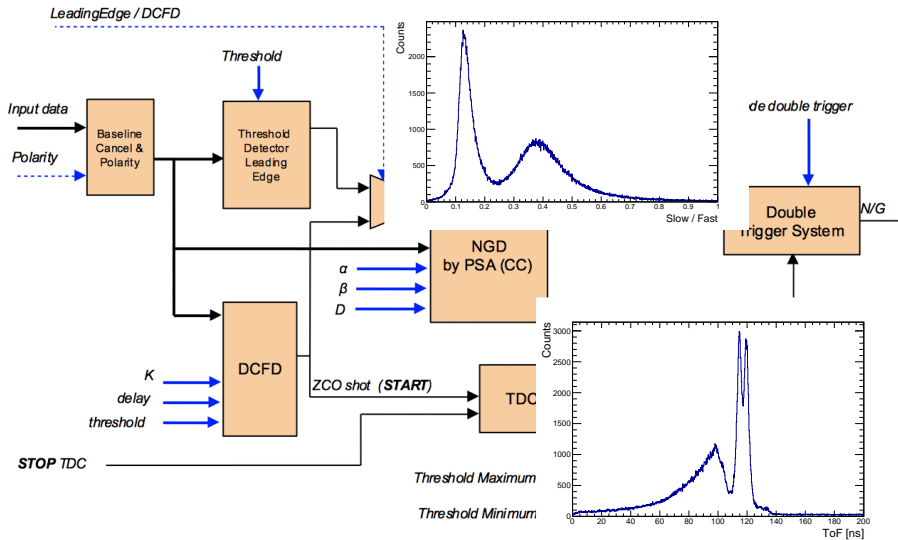
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# NEDA AND DIAMANT FRAMES

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MFM header, Type :MFM_NEDA_FRAME_TYPE
MetaType = 129(0x81) Blob = 0 unitBlockSize = 2 frameSize = 512(0x200) dataSource = 0(0x0)
FrameType = 18(0x12) revision = 1(0x1) pointer = 0x1f23100
HeaderSize = 44 ItemSize = 2 NbItems = 232
EN = 48093 TS = 35784725046560
Board = 126 | Channel = 14 | LeInter = 52 | ZcoInterval = 61
Tdc = 128 | Slow Integ = 141 | FastIntegral = 788 | Bitfield = 192| AbsMax = 200
Event is neutron = 1 | Valid CFD = 0 | Parity = 1

0 : 81 00 01 00 00 12 00 01 16 00 02 00 E8 00 00 00 .....
16 : EE 07 9D 9C 00 00 20 25 D3 C7 88 20 34 3D 80 00 ..... %.. 4..
32 : 00 00 8D 00 00 00 14 03 C0 C8 99 00 F5 39 F3 79 ..... ..9.y
48 : F6 39 F6 79 F4 39 F6 79 F6 39 F5 79 F5 39 F6 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
64 : F6 39 F4 79 F7 39 F4 79 F5 39 F4 79 F1 39 F2 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
80 : F6 39 F6 79 F2 39 F3 79 F5 39 F3 79 F3 39 F5 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
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128 : F3 39 F5 79 F3 39 F2 79 F7 39 F2 79 F8 39 F4 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
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192 : F1 39 F5 79 F1 39 E9 79 EF 39 F3 79 F3 39 F4 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
208 : F0 39 ED 79 E8 39 F3 79 F1 39 F3 79 F3 39 F4 79 ..9.y.9.y.9.y.9.y
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MetaType = 193(0xc1) Blob = 1 unitBlockSize = 2 frameSize = 42(0x2a) dataSource = 0(0x0)  
FrameType = 19(0x13) revision = 1(0x1) pointer = 0xd900f0  
EN = 40093 TS = 35784725046560  
Board = 126 | Channel = 14 | TdcCorValue = 16184 | Time = 35515 | IntRaiseTime = 2563  
Slow Integ = 122 | FastIntegral = 798 | NeuralNetWork = 0 | NbZero = 0 | NeutronFlag = 0  
  
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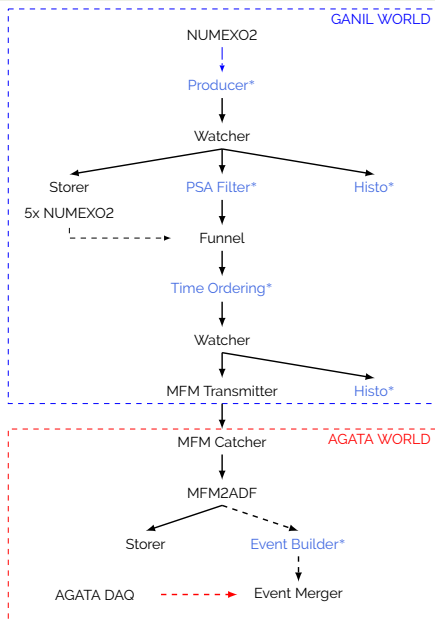
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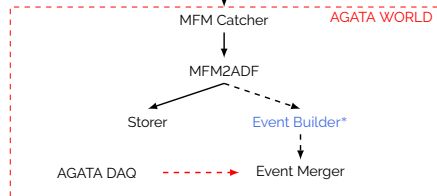
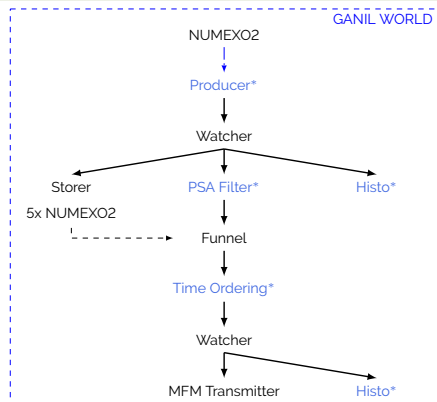
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  FrameType = 22(0x16)  revision = 0(0x0)  pointer = 0x20570f0  
  EN = 0  TS = 21642995842298  
  Board = 100 | Channel = 6  
  Energy = 1485078 | Top = 109370  
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## DATA ACQUISITIONS

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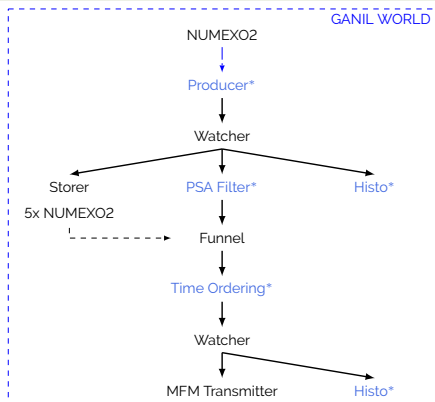
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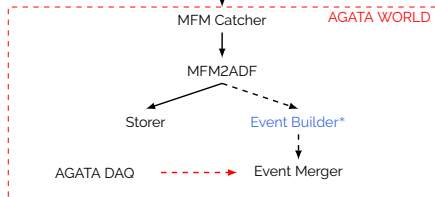


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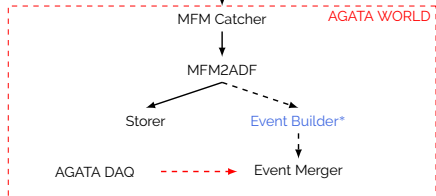
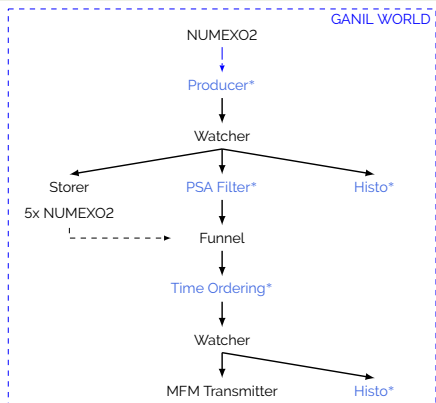


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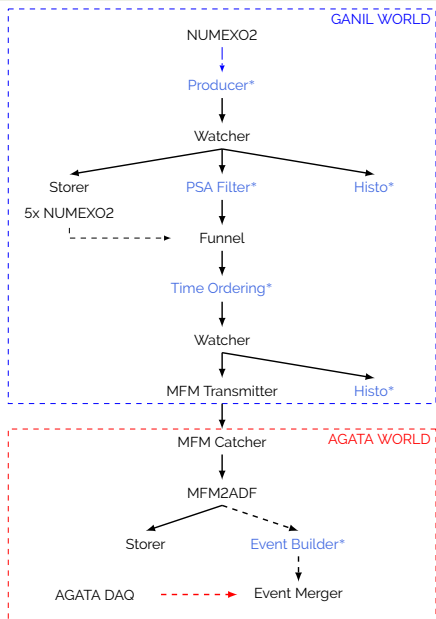
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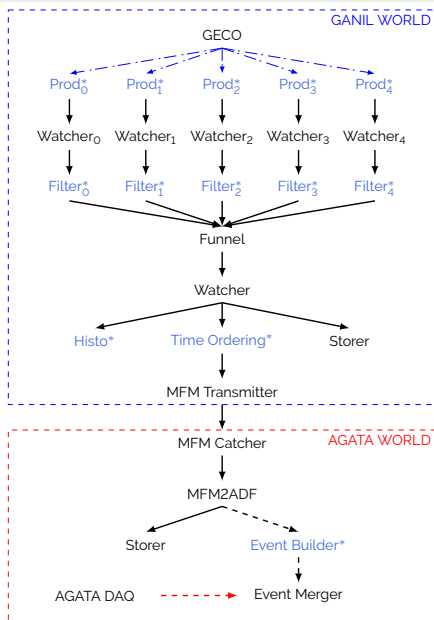
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**TP Validations** : About 50-60 % of the neutrons  
⇒ ~ 1.6 MB/s of traces (/board)  
⇒ ~ 0.15 MB/s of post-PSA  
⇒ ~ 0.24 MB/s on ADF Storer

# Data Acquisition - DIAMANT



WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THOSE WONDERFUL TBs OF DATA ?

At the local level ...

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Only for NEDA

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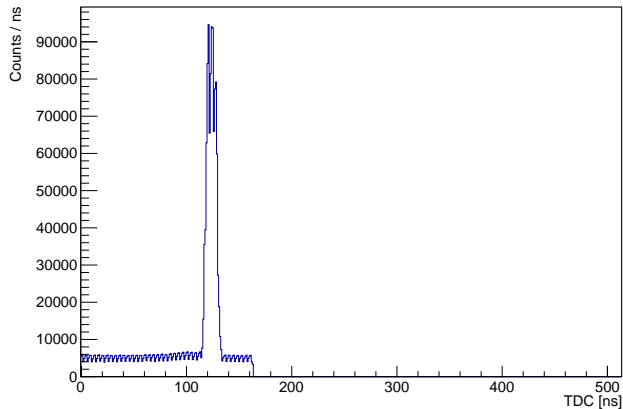


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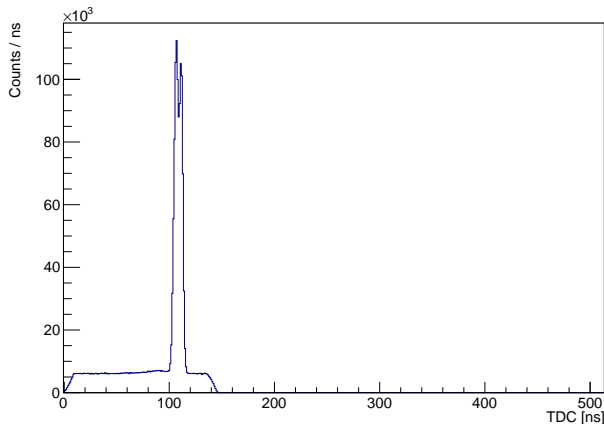
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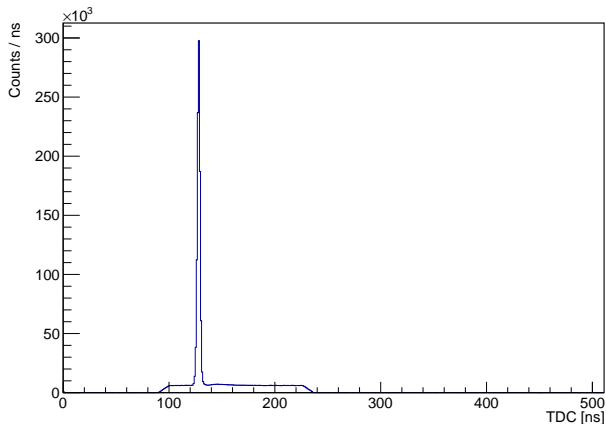
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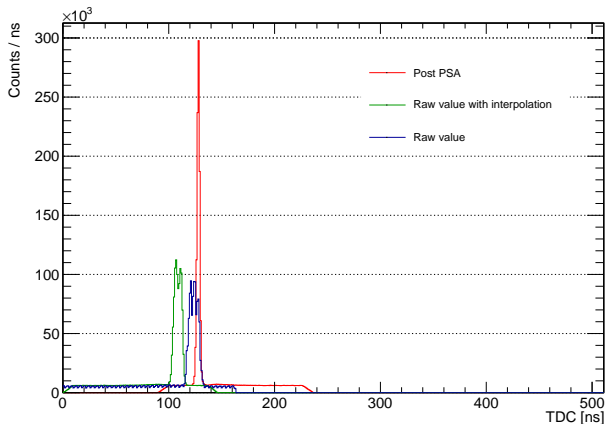
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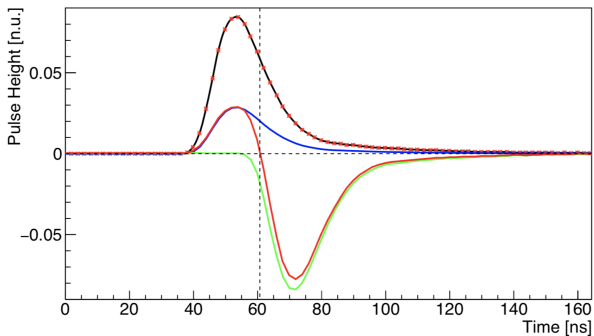
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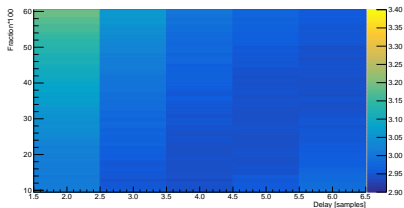
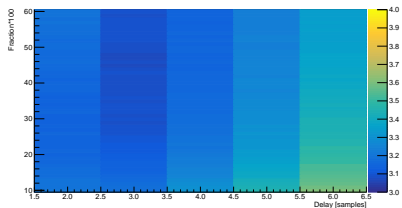
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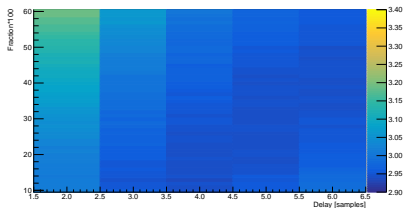
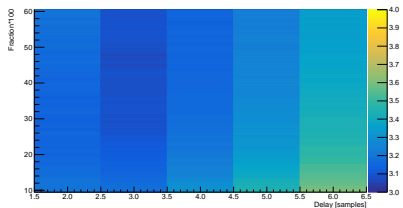
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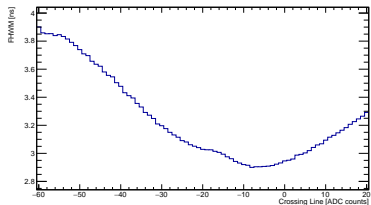
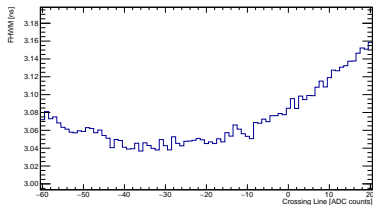
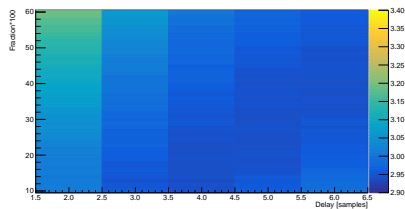
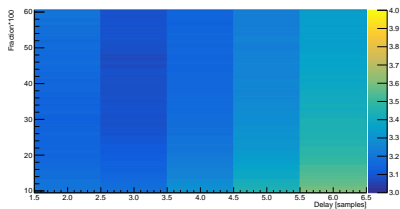
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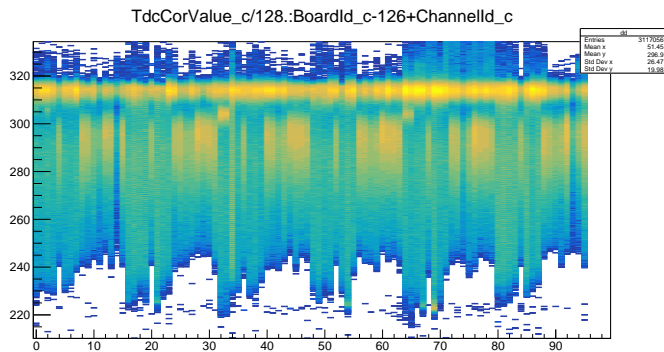
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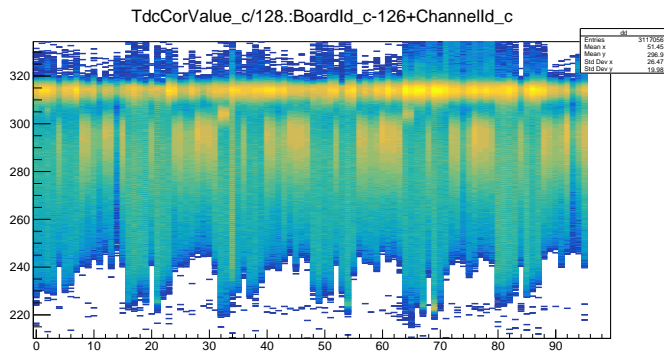
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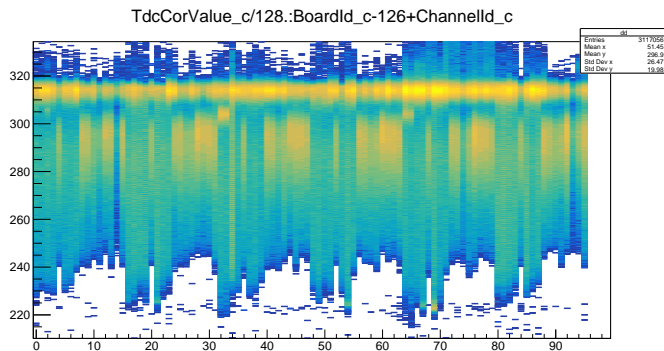
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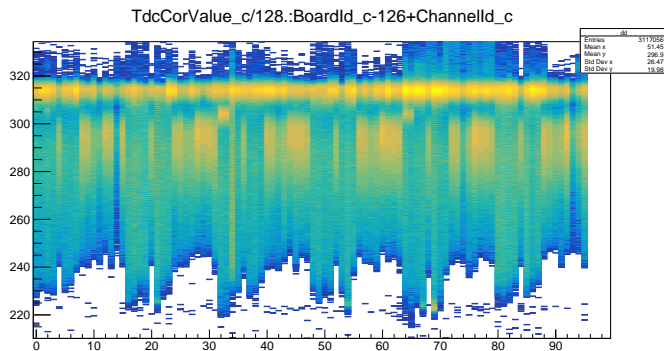
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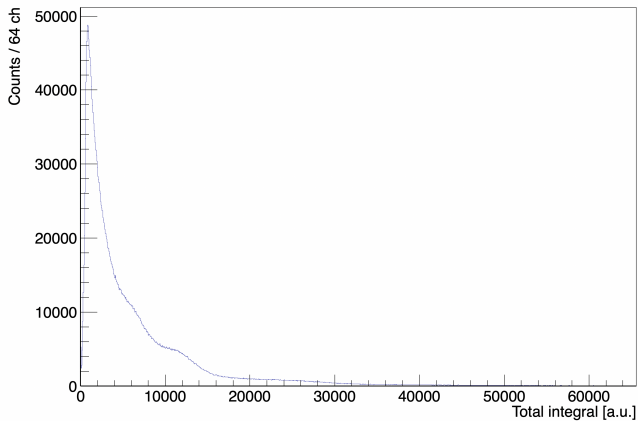
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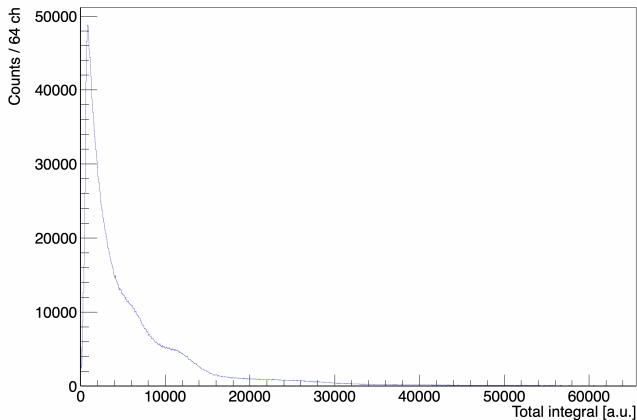
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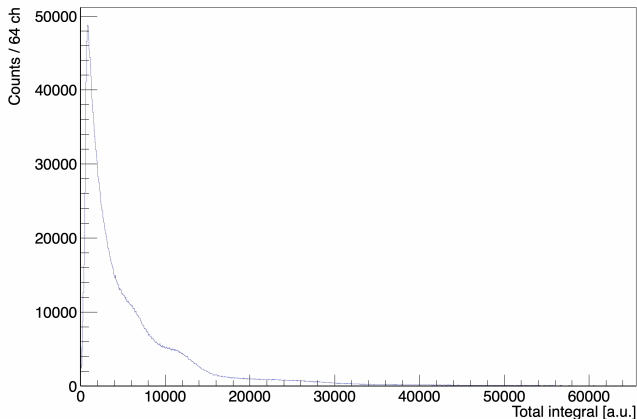


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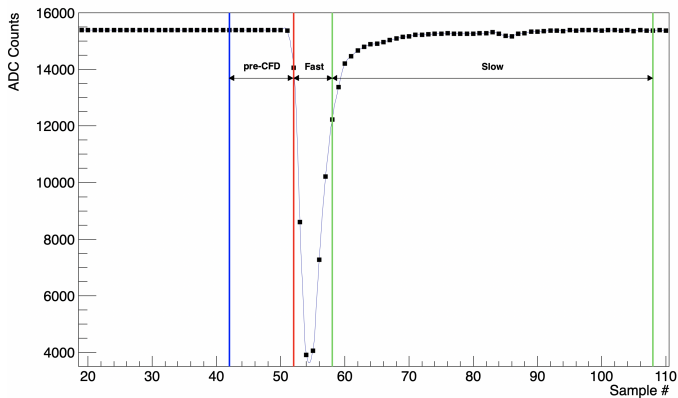


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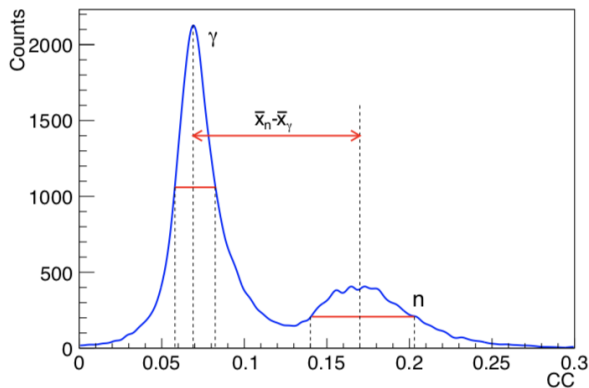
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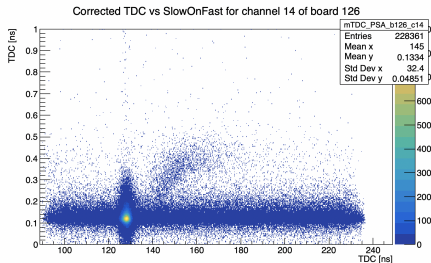
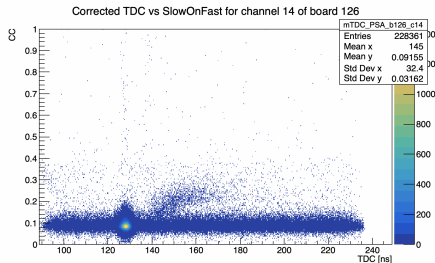
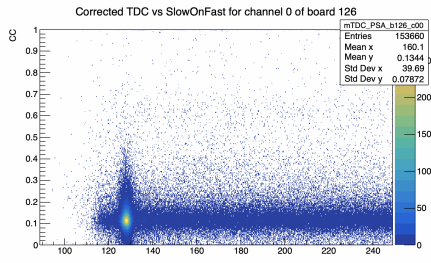
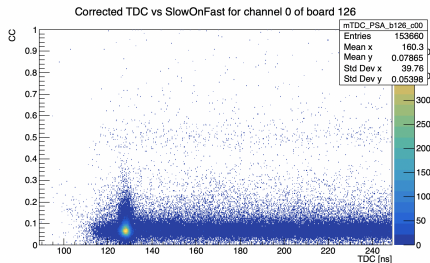
Optimization on the figure of merit :

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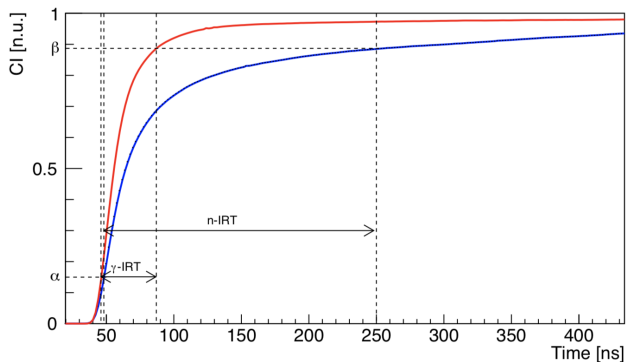
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# Integrated Rise Time optimization

Only one important parameter in the CCPSA (same in NNPSA) :

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- Fraction of the integrated signal



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