

### Neutron/Gamma Pulse Discrimination Using Recurrent Deep Neural Networks

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## Motivation

Development a PSD technique for improving:

1. The spatial resolution of images in PET system (**crystal identification**).





#### 2. Particle identification (PID)

### Detector



Figure 1 CLYC:Ce Gamma / Neutron Scintillators

https://www.berkeleynucleonics.com/clycce

# **PSD** Important for:

Differentiating Between Types of Radiation
Identification of Neutrons.
Reducing False Alarms
Optimizing Radiation Protection Measures.
Nuclear Security Applications
Emergency Response and Monitoring

### **Pulses Modeling**

#### Marrone's Model.





### **PSD Results Accuracy**

Method	Discrimination Percentage		
	Gamma	Neutron	Total
A. Arafa [ <mark>7</mark> ]	95.5	87.3	91.4
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H. Song [ <mark>8</mark> ]	85.88	89.25	87.56
Proposed	96.88	90.33	93.65

$$FOM = \frac{|max_n - max_g|}{FWHM_n + FWHM_g}$$

the variance to mean of the number of neutron, gamma and total detections on the detection time.



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### **Neural Network for PSD**

- 1. Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)
- 2. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)
- 3. Recurrent Neural Network (RNN).
- 4. Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network (variation of RNNs).

# Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)

- Effective for learning long-range dependencies in sequential data suitable for various applications, including :
- 1- natural language processing,
- 2- time series analysis, and
- 3- pulse shape discrimination in radiation detection



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### **Discrimination Process Using PCA**



### Conclusion

- The proposed technique improves the spatial resolution of Detection system.
- The performance of LSTM based technique is 93.6 % for the Gamma/Neutron simulated pulses.
- The proposed LSTM-PSD is fare superior to the other compared techniques.

