PROTOTYPE OF TWO-DIMENSIONAL SCINTILLATOR DETECTOR BASED ON ZnS(Ag)/6LiF WITH WAVELENGTH-SHIFTING FIBERS

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Prototype of two-dimensional scintillator detector based on ZnS(Ag)/⁶LiF with wavelength-shifting fibers has been developed in the Frank Laboratory of Neutron Physics of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (Dubna).

The detector consists of 4-layers of scintillator plates (ND screen) $9.6 \times 9.6 \text{ cm}^2$ and 5-layers of wavelength shifting optical fibers with a thickness of 1 mm (square cross section), located between plates (fig. 01). The detector is divided into 16 channels along the X coordinate and the Y coordinate. One channel equals 6 mm and includes three fibers. The channels are separated using 14 μ m aluminum foil.

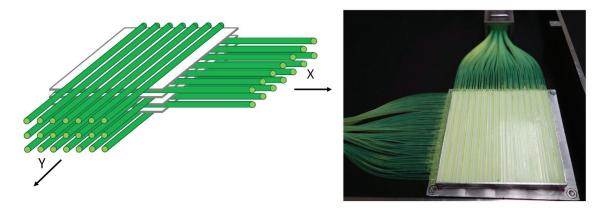


Fig. 1. Simplified layout of the scintillator and optical fibers (left), photo of the detector assembly(right).

There were used two 16-channel photomultipliers Hamamatsu - H8711-100 (photocathode 30x30 mm) for the formation of an electronic signal and its amplification. Further signals were recorded and processed using multichannel digitizers from CAEN and a personal computer. Data were obtained on an experimental bench using a ²⁵²Cf neutron source.

The report will present the first results obtained, as well as methods for selecting and processing these results and their efficiencies.

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