





# **Detector and Physics simulations**

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Background cover: Simulation theory by Muse

#### What is a detector?





#### **Detectors**

#### What is a detector?





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#### What is a detector?





Detectors

## What are the application area?



#### Simulation - what is it?



#### simulation

/sımjuːˈleɪʃ(ə)n/

#### noun

imitation of a situation or process. "simulation of blood flowing through arteries and veins"

- the action of pretending; deception.
   "clever simulation that's good enough to trick you"
- the production of a computer model of something, especially for the purpose of study. "the method was tested by computer simulation"



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English

Dictionary

#### What do we need?





Introduction to simulation

#### What do we need?





Introduction to simulation

**Essential tool** in nuclear and particle physics Function:

- Design new detectors
- Analysis of our data
- Benchmarking
- Development of new analysis tools or optimise analysis
- Simulation of new physics models

## General Monte Carlo (MC) Codes exit



Introduction to simulation

## **MC** methods for radiation transport



Random photo of the Monte Carlo casino



http://hotcore.info/kareff-07079.htm

ESTAR, PSTAR, and ASTAR: Computer Programs for Calculating Stopping-Power and Range Tables for Electrons, Protons, and Helium Ions

https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/ nistpubs/Legacy/IR/ nistir4999.pdf

## John von Neumann and Stanislaw

Ulam in 1945 (<u>https://library.lanl.gov/cgi-bin/</u> getfile?00326866.pdf)

- Nick Metropolis (1948) converted the style of programming using ENIAC as described by J. v. Neumann
- M. J. Berger and S. M. Seltzer (1963) developed the ETRAN code (coupled electron-photon transport (<u>https://</u> <u>nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/Legacy/IR/</u> <u>nbsir82-2550.pdf</u>)

Probability density function (pdf)



Introduction to simulation

#### **Sophisticated available MC codes**



http://www.fluka.org/fluka.php



https://geant4.web.cern.ch



https://mcnp.lanl.gov



http://pypenelope.sourceforge.net

Detector MC:
Geant,
Fluka
Geant4

**Radiation MC:** 

Fluka,
Penelope
Mars,
Geant4,
MCNP

## **Signal generation:** □ Garfield

https://garfield.web.cern.ch/garfield/



MC codes

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Radiation MC: □ Fluka, □ Penelope □ Mars, ☑ Geant4, □ MCNP/MCNPX

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MC codes



#### Geant4: simulation of the passage of particles through matter Overview

Geant4 is a toolkit for the simulation of the passage of particles through matter. Its areas of application include high energy, nuclear and accelerator physics, as well as studies in medical and space science. The three main reference papers for Geant4 are published in Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A 506 (2003) 250-303 d, IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science 53 No. 1 (2006) 270-278 d and Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A 835 (2016) 186-225 .

#### **Applications**



A sampling of applications, technology transfer and other uses of Geant4





Getting started, guides and information for users and developers

#### **Publications**



Validation of Geant4, results from experiments and publications

#### Collaboration



Who we are: collaborating institutions, members, organization and legal https://geant4.web.cern.ch information

Recent developments in GEANT4

S. Chauvie 9 ... H. Yoshida bs, a

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GEANT4—a simulation toolkit



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#### Geant4

#### Simulation can be done...

NOT to scale! JUST a quick idea!





CTN-IST: nuclear reaction line CALIFA @FAIR

ATLAS @ CERN



Simulation



## Nuclear reaction line @ CTN-IST

Describe the physical world

Reaction chamber HPGe Detector

#### **Detector Geometry**

- Construct all necessary material
- Define shapes/ solids
- Construct and place volumes
  - Define sensitive and nonsensitive volumes
  - Define visual attributes of the detector





# Three conceptual layers □ Solid (G4VSolid Class Reference) ▶ shape (simple shapes)

size

Step 1: create the geometrical object





Simulating a small detector



## Three conceptual layers

- Solid
  - ▶ shape
  - ▶ size

#### Logical volume

- daughter physical volume,
- ▶ material,
- sensitivity,
- user limits
  - (e.g.max step length, max number of steps, min kinetic energy left, etc.)



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#### Simulating a small detector

**Three conceptual layers** 







Solid Solid	
shape	Step 1:
▶ size	create the
Logical volume	geometrical object
daughter physic	al volume,
▶ material,	
sensitivity,	Step 2:
user limits	Assign properties
Physical volume	
position	
rotation	Step 3: Place in world co-or
	system

Attention: Overlapping and confinement in mother space!



Simulating a small detector

## Hadronic, Electromagnetic, and Weak interaction

- Photon:
- Pair production, Compton scattering, photoelectric effect
- All charged particles:
- Ionization / δ-rays, multiple scattering
- Electron / positron
- Bremsstrahlung, annihilation (e<sup>+</sup>)
- Hadron:
- Hadronic interactions

hadrons (elastic, inelastic, capture, fission, radioactive decay, photo- nuclear, lepton-nuclear,...)



## **Physic list choice**

#### **Physics List Guide**

The Physics List is one of the three mandatory user classes of the GEANT4 toolkit. In this class all GEANT4 particles and their interaction processes should be instantiated. This class should inherit from the base class G4VUserPhysicsList and should be given to G4RunManager:

G4MTRunManager\* runManager = new G4MTRunManager; runManager->SetUserInitialization(physicsList);

#### There are "packaged" physics lists available

Probably you will be interested in the "reference physics lists"

Option exists to create a customised physics lists (needs to be validated)

https://geant4-userdoc.web.cern.ch/UsersGuides/PhysicsListGuide/html/physicslistguide.html https://geant4.web.cern.ch/node/1731

And many more ....



Simulating a small detector

## **Physic list choice: examples**

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Careful in the

Sics lists

#### Some Hadronic options:

- "QGS" Quark Gluon String model (>~15 GeV)
- "FTF" FRITIOF String model (> ~5 GeV)
- "BIC" Binary Cascade model (<~10 GeV)
- "BERT" Bertini Cascade model (< ~10 GeV)</li>
- "P" G4Precompound model used for de-excitation
- "HP" High Precision neutron model (< ~20 MeV)</li>

#### Some EM options:

- No suffix: standard EM i.e. the default G4EmStandardPhysics constructor
- "EMV" G4EmStandardPhysics\_option1 CTR: HEP, fast but less precise
- "EMY" G4EmStandardPhysics\_option3 CTR: medical, space sci., precise
- "EMZ" G4EmStandardPhysics\_option4 CTR: most precise EM physics
- Name decoding: String(s)\_Cascade\_Neutron\_EM
- The complete list of pre-packaged physics list with detailed description can be found in the documentation ("Guide for Physics Lists"):

http://geant4.web.cern.ch/geant4/support/proc\_mod\_catalog/ physics\_lists/referencePL.shtml



#### **Event Generator**





Event generators (Gun)
Particle type
Particle kinematics
energy
Direction
Other (charge, polarity)
Number of particles generated per event

#### **G4Ion Table**

#### **ASCII file input**

Pythia, Fritiof using the Lund fragmentation model

HERWIG, HERWIG ++ is an alternative system

For HEP: https://arxiv.org/pdf/2203.11110.pdf





#### Simulating a small detector

## **Hits registration**



# Event hit Particle type Particle kinematics energy Direction Multiplicity



One event is simulated to the end!

Analysis via



ROOT Data Analysis Framework



Analysing the Simulation results of a small detector

#### Avoid these pitfalls and be aware



Learn to walk before you run...

- Check the volumes
- Small number of events
- Energy: one step at a time
- Check your out put: Does it make sense?

# Detector simulation tools are limited by several factors:



Several factors: Available and known accuracy of measurements utilised and tunes or validation of the physics models Particular x-sections

#### **Computational speed**



Analysing the Simulation results of a small detector

#### **Example: Cross section**

Cross sections for proton induced high energy  $\gamma$ -ray emission (PIGE) in reaction <sup>19</sup>F(p, $\alpha\gamma$ )<sup>16</sup>O at incident proton energies between 1.5 and 4 MeV

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#### Analysing the Simulation results of a small detector

#### **Example: background radiation**





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ROGRAM

#### Simulation of natural background

#### Uranium generator





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#### Simulation of natural background

#### Thorium generator





Simulation of natural background

#### **Example: weighted background radiation**

HPGe Energy



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>235</sup>U (actinium chain) @ 187 keV



Simulation of natural background

## **Example: background radiation**



In the lower end of the energy spectrum:

Cosmic showers have not been included (Geant4 library - Cry)

 Radon: 222Rn may accumulate in close rooms including its daughters (<sup>216</sup>Pb and <sup>214</sup>Bi)



Analysis of the simulation of natural background

#### **Virtual MC**







Introduction to VMC and larger experiments

## Simulation re-cycled & multi-purpose





H. Alvarez-Pol, et al. NIMB (2014) 767:453-466.

TDR CALIFA barrel https://fair-center.eu/fileadmin/fair/publications\_exp/CALIFA\_B ARREL\_TDR\_web.pdf

## Development of prototypesTDR

- Bench marking prototypes (smaller facilities & test beams)
- Understanding the performance and development of models
- Data analysis phase
- Development of algorithms
- Proposal submissions



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## **Bench marking prototypes @ smaller facilities**

#### <sup>28</sup>Si resonance (14399 keV) was simulated









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#### **Success stories**





Higgs Boson discovery

#### **Success stories**





**Higgs Boson discovery** 

## **Nobel prize in Physics**





**Higgs Boson discovery** 

## **Specialised packages**

## GAMOS

Geant4-based architecture for **medicine** orientated simulations



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Geant4 extension simulation related to **biochemistry** and **DNA** 





https://arxiv.org/pdf/0910.5684.pdf http://geant4-dna.in2p3.fr/ styled-3/styled-8/index.html



#### Introduction to simulation in medical physics

## **Specialised packages**



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Tool for particle simulation http://www.topasmc.org



NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE Informatics Technology for Cancer Research

## Development of a Standard Methodology for Online Dose Calculations in Air



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#### **Specialised packages**









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