

GEANT4 Introduction

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A toolkit



- **Geant4** is a toolkit for simulating the passage of particles through matter
- each simulation problem requires different configuration (geometry, scoring, particles, physics, etc..) that the user needs to define
- example applications that Geant4 provides are in the /examples folder

The complete beginner Tutorial course can be found here:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/865808/>

With more advanced topics here:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/789510/timetable/#20190326>

The Manual



- <https://geant4-userdoc.web.cern.ch/UsersGuides/ForApplicationDeveloper/html/index.html>

[Geant4 Homepage](#)

[Book For Application Developers](#)



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Physics Processes

<https://geant4-userdoc.web.cern.ch/UsersGuides/ForApplicationDeveloper/html/TrackingAndPhysics/physicsProcess.html>

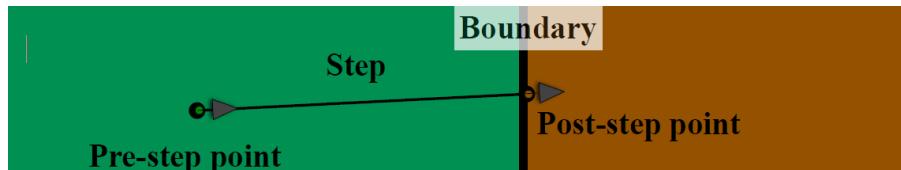


Major catagories:

1. electromagnetic,
 - Ionisation and delta ray production
 - Multiple scattering
 2. hadronic,
 3. decay,
 4. photolepton-hadron,
 5. Optical
 - Cherenkov
 - Scintillation
 - Rayleigh Scattering
 - Wavelength Shifting
 - Boundary Process
 6. parameterization, and
 7. transportation
- Many alternative physics models depending on the energy and physics of interest
 - Medical/DNA, micro-electronics, etc
 - Ions
 - Based on experimental measurements
 - **It's important to understand which model is the most applicable to the problem to produce accurate results**

KEY CONCEPTS

- a **G4Track** object represents/describes the state of a particle that is under simulation in a given instant of the time (i.e. a given time point)
 - the **G4Track** object is propagated in a step-by-step way during the simulation and the dynamic properties are continuously updated to reflect the current state
- a **G4Step** object can provide the information regarding the change in the state of the particle (that is under tracking) within a simulation step (i.e. delta)
- a **G4Event** is the basic simulation unit that represents a **set of G4Track objects**



Where are we?
Materials and Geometry

What can happen along this step?
Physics Processes

- **G4Event:**

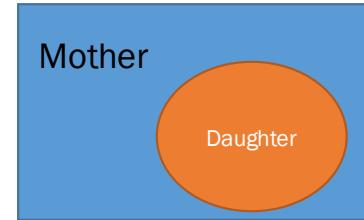
- a G4Event is the basic simulation unit that represents a **set of G4Track objects**
- at the beginning of an event:
 - primary G4Track object(s) is(are) generated (with their static and initial dynamic properties) and pushed to a track-stack
 - one G4Track object is popped from this track-stack and transported/tracked/simulated:
 - *the track object is propagated in a **step-by-step way** and its dynamic properties as well as the corresponding G4Step object are updated at each step
 - *the step is limited either by physics interaction or geometry boundary
 - ***transportation** (to the next volume through the boundary) will take place in the later while **physics** interaction in the former case
 - ***secondary G4Track-s, generated by these physics interactions, are also pushed to the track-stack**
 - *a G4Track object is kept tracking till:
 - + leaves the outermost (World) volume i.e. goes out of the simulation universe
 - + participates in a destructive interaction (e.g. day or photoelectric absorption)
 - + its kinetic energy becomes zero and doesn't have interaction that can happen "at-rest"
 - + the user decided to (artificially) stop the tracking and kill
 - *when one track object reaches its termination point, a new G4Track object (either secondary or primary) is popped from the stack for tracking
 - processing an event will be terminated when there is **no any G4Track objects in the track-stack**
 - at the end of an event, the corresponding G4Event object will store its input i.e. the list of primaries (and possible some of its outputs like hits or trajectory collection)

- **G4Run** is a collection of **G4Event**-s (a **G4Event** is a collection of **G4Track**-s)
 - during a run, events are taken and processed one by one in an event-loop
 - **before the start of a run** i.e. at run initialisation (`G4RunManager::Initialize()`): the **geometry is constructed** and **physics is initialised**
 - **at the start of a run** (`G4RunManager::BeamOn()`): the **geometry is optimised** for tracking (voxelization), the event processing starts i.e. entering into the event-loop

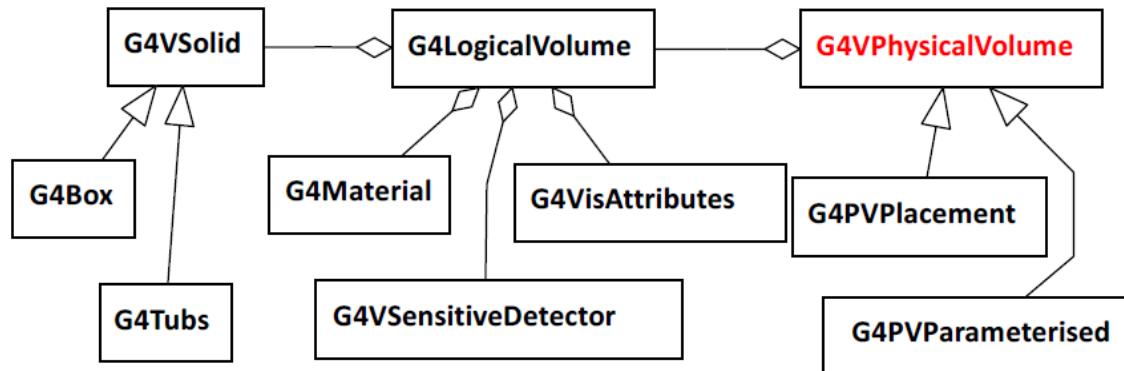
Geometry

Detector geometry

- Three conceptual layers
 - G4VSolid** -- *shape, size*
 - G4LogicalVolume** -- daughter physical volumes,
material, sensitivity, user limits, etc.
 - G4VPhysicalVolume** -- *position, rotation*



“old” terminology for
heirarchy



Many more
advanced ways of
describing and
placing geometry

A basic program



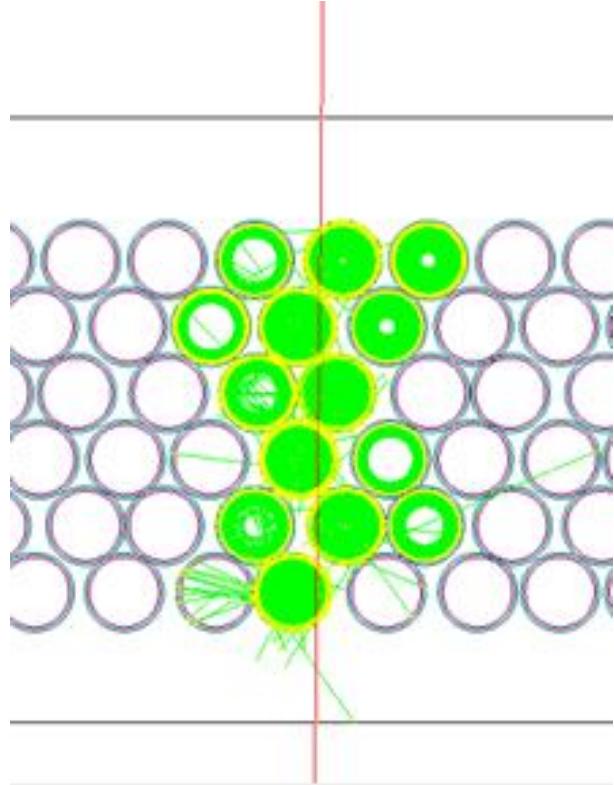
- user needs to provide these settings in the `main()` method of their **Geant4** application
 - scifiSim.cc in our program
- Create a **G4RunManager** object (**mandatory**):
 - the **only mandatory manager object** that user needs to create: all others (**G4EventManager**, **G4SteppingManger**, etc.) are created and deleted automatically
 - all problem specific information need to be given to the **G4RunManager** by the user through the interfaces provided by the **Geant4** toolkit (we will see them one by one):
 - **G4VUserDetectorConstruction**(mandatory): how the geometry should be constructed, built
 - **G4VUserPhysicsList**(mandatory): all the particles and their physics interactions to be simulated
 - **G4VUserActionInitialization** (mandatory):
 - * **G4VUserPrimaryGeneratorAction** (mandatory): how the primary particle(s) in an event should be produced
 - * additional, optional user actions (**G4UserRunAction**, **G4UserEventAction**, **G4UserSteppingAction**, etc..)

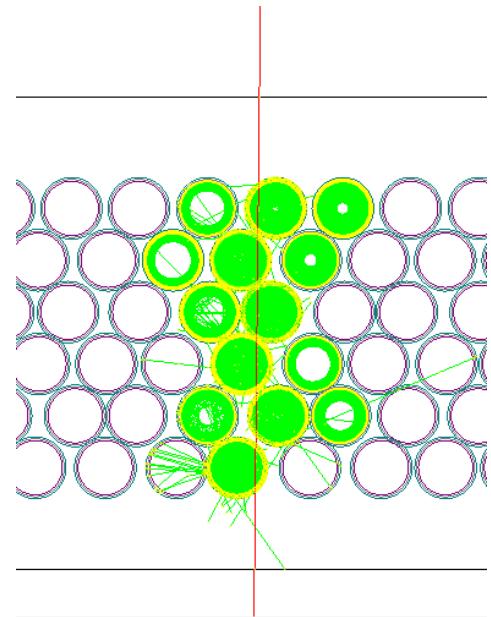
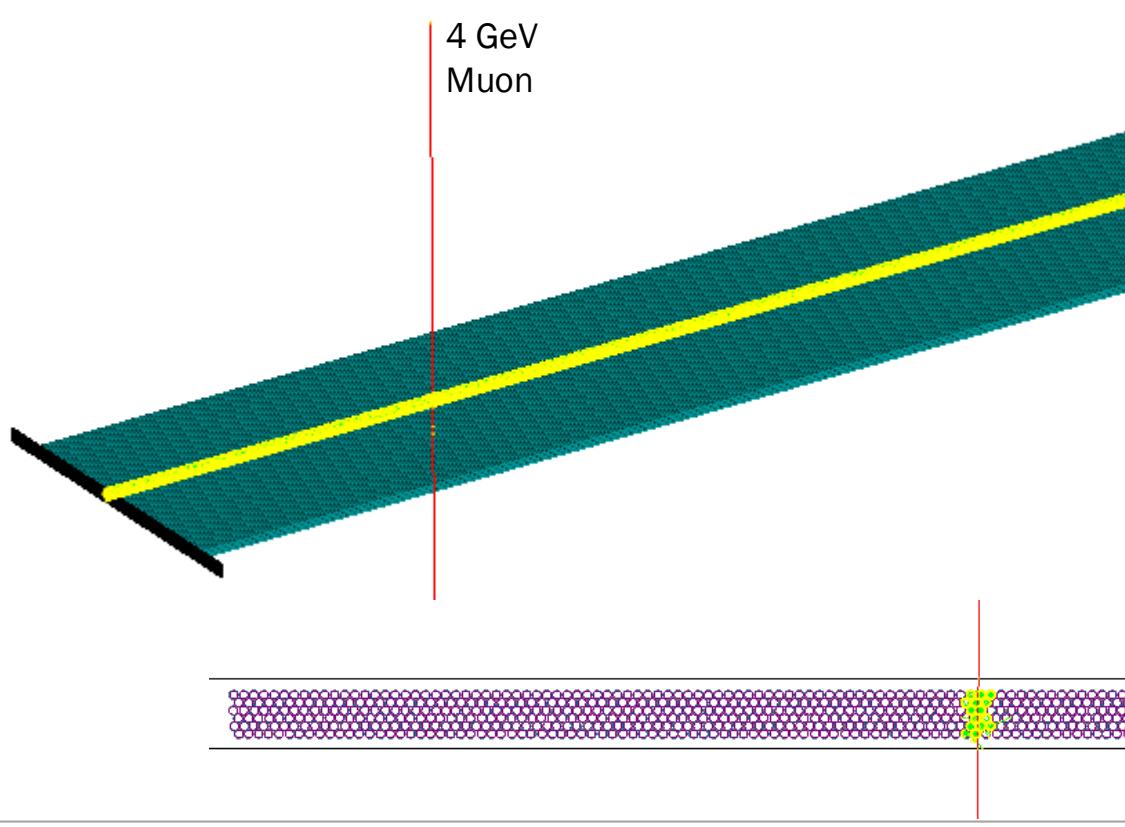
SciFiMatG4_v2

A Geant4 Simulation of a Scintillating Fibre Mat

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https://gitlab.cern.ch/bleverin/SciFiMatG4_v2



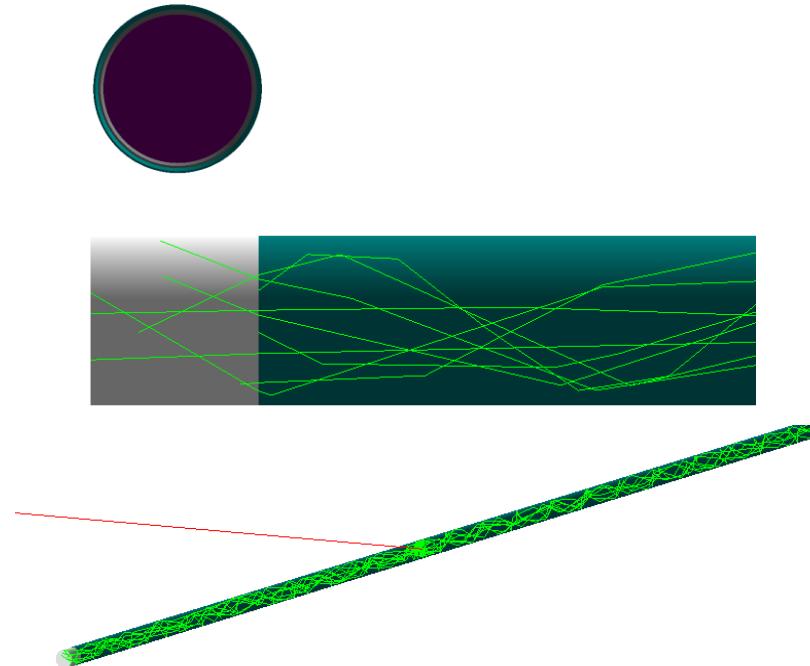


Extended code

Note: in CMakeLists.txt, change the line to enable OGL :
option(WITH_GEANT4_UVIS "Build example with Geant4 UI
and Vis drivers" ON) instead of OFF



- Based on a single fibre simulation
 - <https://gitlab.cern.ch/lhcb-scifi/SciFiSimG4>
 - Which was based on Example N06 and LiXe



Analysis



- Several ROOT trees are used for storing the data from the tracks
 - **DetectedPhotons**: all the detected photons from the events
 - **Trigger**: Tracks that deposit energy in a Trigger volume
 - **EnergyTracks**: the energy and track length through the core of the fibre from charged particle
 - **PrimaryParticleTrack**: "primary particles position"
 - **InitialParticle**: "Initial Particle energy and momentum"
- You'll see the Analysis class appear in the other files at different points.

Code snippet

```
void Analysis::FillTree(Double_t energy, Double_t time, Double_t length, Double_t absTime,
                       Double_t x, Double_t y, Double_t z,
                       Double_t px, Double_t py, Double_t pz,
                       Double_t vertexX, Double_t vertexY, Double_t vertexZ,
                       Double_t vertexPx, Double_t vertexPy, Double_t vertexPz,
                       Int_t trackId,
                       Int_t creatorProcess, Int_t parentId)
{
    if(detectedPhotonsTree!=NULL)
    {
        energyBuffer = energy;
        timeBuffer = time;
        lengthBuffer = length;

        wavelengthBuffer = 1239.842/energy;

        absTimeBuffer = absTime;
        xBuffer = x;
        yBuffer = y;
        zBuffer = z;

        pxBuffer = px;
        pyBuffer = py;
        pzBuffer = pz;

        vertexXBuffer = vertexX;
        vertexYBuffer = vertexY;
        vertexZBuffer = vertexZ;

        vertexPxBuffer = vertexPx;
        vertexPyBuffer = vertexPy;
        vertexPzBuffer = vertexPz;

        trackIdBuffer = trackId;

        creatorProcessBuffer = creatorProcess;
        parentIdBuffer = parentId;
    }
}
```

Run Action



- A Run is a collection of generated primaries (events)

```
void RunAction::BeginOfRunAction(const G4Run* aRun)
{
    G4cout << "### Run " << aRun->GetRunID() << " start." << G4endl;
    timer->Start();
    Analysis::GetInstance()->PrepareNewRun(aRun);
    G4cout << "Analysis Instance Address: " << Analysis::GetInstance() << G4endl
};

void RunAction::EndOfRunAction(const G4Run* aRun)
{
    timer->Stop();
    G4cout << "number of event = " << aRun->GetNumberOfEvent() << " \t" << *time
r << G4endl;
    Analysis::GetInstance()->EndOfRun(*aRun*);
}
```

Event Action



- An Event is a collection of tracks from each Primary generation

```
void EventAction::BeginOfEventAction(const G4Event* anEvent)
{
    G4cout << "# Event " << anEvent->GetEventID() << " start." << G4endl;
    Analysis::GetInstance()->PrepareNewEvent(anEvent);

    fEnergy = 0.0;
    fTrackL = 0.0;
}

void EventAction::EndOfEventAction(const G4Event* anEvent)
{
    G4double runID = (G4double) G4RunManager::GetRunManager()->GetCurrentRun()->i
    GetRunID();
    Analysis::GetInstance()->FillEnergyTrack(runID,      anEvent->GetEventID(), fi
    Energy, fTrackL);
}
```

Primary Generation



- I'm using a 3D histogram from another LHCb simulation as the input for the track angle and position
- Two* ways of generating primaries:
 - **General Particle Source** where you define source size and momentum distributions and they are randomly thrown
 - **Particle Gun** where you set the momentum of each particle specifically.
 - External particle physics generators such as Pythia for particle physics decays
- The particle type and energy can be left free to be set in the .mac file

```
PrimaryGeneratorAction::PrimaryGeneratorAction()
{
    // gun = InitializeGPS(); //general particle source
    gun = new G4ParticleGun(1); //particle gun
    rootfile = TFile::Open("distfile.root");
    disthist = (TH3F*)rootfile->Get("ath3_phi_theta_yHit;1");
}

void PrimaryGeneratorAction::GeneratePrimaries(G4Event* anEvent)
{

G4double yHit = 0*mm;
G4double xHit = G4UniformRand()-0.5;
dhist->GetRandom3(phi, theta, yHit); //in degrees and mm
std::cout << "Primary Phi:" << phi << "deg Theta: " << theta << "deg Y :" << yHit << "mm" << std::endl;
G4int rndsign = 0;
rndsign = (G4UniformRand()<0.5) ? 1 : -1 ;
phi*=deg* rndsign;
rndsign = (G4UniformRand()<0.5) ? 1 : -1 ;
theta*=deg * rndsign;
gun->SetParticlePosition(G4ThreeVector(xHit,2.0*mm,yHit+10.)); //Z here is Y in LHCb coordinates;
// std::cout << "Primary Phi:" << phi << " Theta: " << theta << " Y :" << yHit << std::endl;

gun->SetParticleMomentumDirection(G4ThreeVector(sin(theta)*cos(phi), -cos(theta), sin(theta)*sin(phi)));
// away from verticle;

gun->GeneratePrimaryVertex(anEvent);
}
```

Stacking Action



- A “stack” of tracks generated during each event.
 - Each track is propagated one by one until the track is terminated for various reasons
- Secondaries are new particles (tracks) created from physical processes due to interactions of the primary particle and the materials or decays

```
G4ClassificationOfNewTrack StackingAction::ClassifyNewTrack(const G4Track * aTrack)
{
    /* ++ StackingAction for optical photons ++ */
    if(aTrack->GetDefinition() == G4OpticalPhoton::OpticalPhotonDefinition())
    {
        Analysis::GetInstance()->IncreaseReflectionRefractionAndScatteringVectors(aTrack->GetTrackID());
        Analysis::GetInstance()->IncreaseLengthVectors(aTrack->GetTrackID());

        if(aTrack->GetParentID()>0) // particle is secondary
        {
            gammaCounter++;
            G4int creatorProcessId = 0;

            if(aTrack->GetCreatorProcess()->GetProcessName() == "Scintillation")
                creatorProcessId = 1;

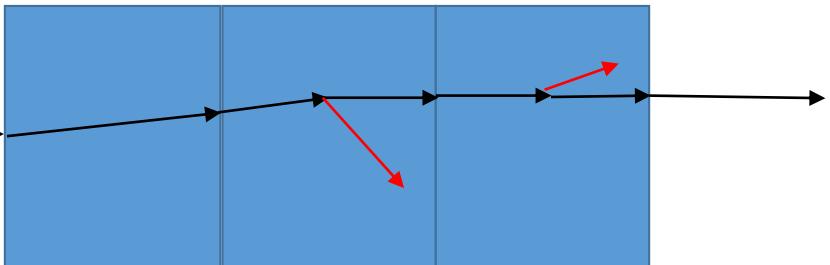
            if(aTrack->GetCreatorProcess()->GetProcessName() == "Cerenkov")
                creatorProcessId = 2;

            if(aTrack->GetCreatorProcess()->GetProcessName() == "OpWLS")
                creatorProcessId = 3;

            if (aTrack->GetCreatorProcess())
                AddProcess(aTrack->GetCreatorProcess());// classify here
        }
    }
    /* ++ End of StackingAction of optical photons ++ */
}
```

Stepping Action

- The short steps of the particle tracks between material boundaries
- “smart” handling of tracks by killing them given certain conditions (saves CPU time)
- Analyse particle properties and processes from each step:
 - Number of reflections from surfaces
 - Energy deposited from charged particles in the scintillator
 - Distance through materials
 - Many more...



```
// Count the reflections and refractions

if(step->GetPostStepPoint()->GetStepStatus() == fGeomBoundary)
{
    if(postPhysicalVolumeName == "EpoxyBox" && prePhysicalVolumeName.substr(0,9) == "Cladding2")
    {
        if(Parameters::GetInstance()->ProbabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface() == 1)
            step->GetTrack()->SetTrackStatus(fStopAndKill);

        if(Parameters::GetInstance()->ProbabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface() < 1 && Parameters::GetInstance()->ProbabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface() > 0)
    }

    G4double randomNumber = CLHEP::RandFlat::shoot();

    if(Parameters::GetInstance()->ProbabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface() < randomNumber)
    {
        if (step->GetStepLength() > 0)
            Analysis::GetInstance()->IncreaseReflectionsAtFibreSurface(trackId);
    }
    else
        step->GetTrack()->SetTrackStatus(fStopAndKill);
}

if (step->GetStepLength() > 0)
    Analysis::GetInstance()->IncreaseReflectionsAtFibreSurface(trackId);

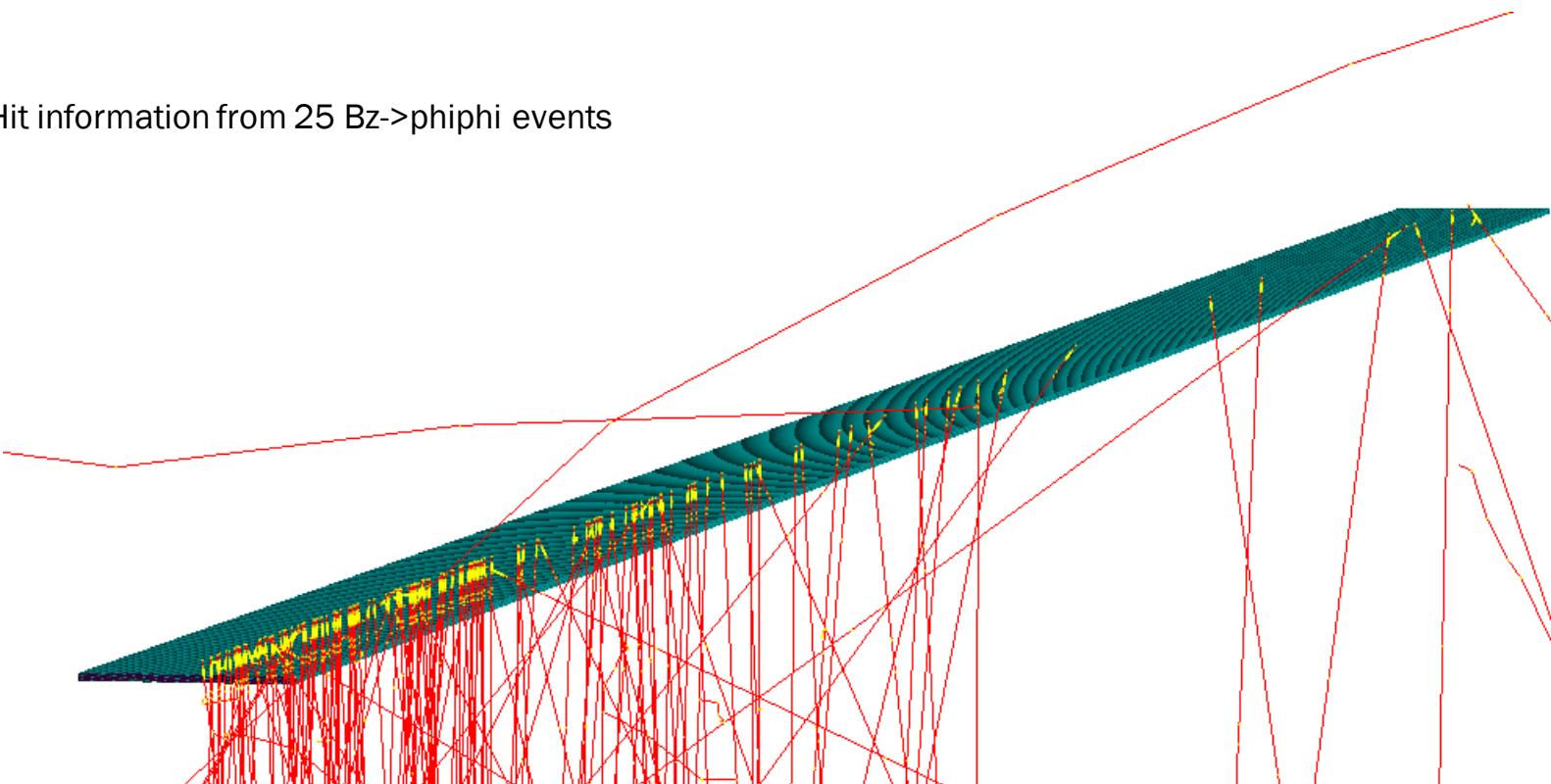
if(postPhysicalVolumeName == "Mirror")
    Analysis::GetInstance()->IncreaseReflectionsAtMirror(trackId);

// Retrieve status of the photon boundary process
```

Particle gun with parameter distributions from 3D ROOT Histogram (theta, phi, y).



Hit information from 25 $B_z \rightarrow \phi\phi$ events



The parameter file(s)



- Many (but not all) of the simulation parameters, emission and absorption spectra are read from parameter files defined in [parameters.cc](#) via the Parameter class

- Some geometry parameters are defined here, some in [DetectorConstruction.cc](#)

- A summary file is output as well with descriptive text

```
char parameterFileName[40] = "parameterFiles/parameters.dat";
#pragma message("Compiling for Linux")
dif
std::ifstream parameterFile;
parameterFile.open(parameterFileName);

if(parameterFile.good())
{
    parameterFile >> randomSeed; // random seed for random engine
    parameterFile >> randomNumber; // random number for detector strip positioning
    randomNumber = randomNumber/32767.0; // max random number in bourne shell random number generator
    parameterFile >> fibreLength; // length of fibre in meter
    parameterFile >> semiAxisZ; // semi axis of fibre in z in millimeter
    parameterFile >> semiAxisY; // semi axis of fibre in y in millimeter
    parameterFile >> triggerX; // x-size of Trigger in mm
    parameterFile >> triggerY; // y-size of Trigger in mm
    parameterFile >> triggerZ; // z-size of Trigger in mm
    parameterFile >> triggerXPos; // x-position of Trigger in millimeter
    parameterFile >> triggerZPos; // z-position of Trigger in millimeter
    parameterFile >> probabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface; // probability that a photon is killed when reaching fibre surface

    if(probabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface<0 || probabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface>1)
        probabilityOfPhotonLossAtSurface = 1;

    parameterFile >> placeMirror; // place a mirror at fibre end
    parameterFile >> mirrorReflectivity; // reflectivity of mirror at fibre end
    parameterFile >> detectorMaterial; // place a mirror at fibre end

    parameterFile.ignore(256, '\n');
    parameterFile.peek();
    parameterFile.getline(emissionSpectrumFileName, 256);

G4cout << "Emission FILE: " << emissionSpectrumFileName << G4endl;
```

DetectorConstruction.cc

Defining the detector geometry

DefineMaterials



- An LHCb Scintillating fibre mat has the following materials:
 - Scintillating Fibre
 - polystyrene core
 - PMMA inner cladding
 - f.PMMA outer cladding
 - Glue with TiO₂
- An environment to place the materials in

Define a material with properties:

```
// Elements to construct outer cladding material (PTFEMA)
G4double densityPMMA2 = 1430*kg/m3;
std::vector<G4String> PMMA2_elm;
std::vector<G4int> PMMA2_nbAtoms;
PMMA2_elm.push_back("H"); PMMA2_nbAtoms.push_back(7);
PMMA2_elm.push_back("C"); PMMA2_nbAtoms.push_back(6);
PMMA2_elm.push_back("O"); PMMA2_nbAtoms.push_back(2);
PMMA2_elm.push_back("F"); PMMA2_nbAtoms.push_back(3);
PMMA2 = man->ConstructNewMaterial("PMMA2", PMMA2_elm, PMMA2_nbAtoms, densityPMMA2=1430*kg/m3);

// Outer cladding sections
G4String materialNameCladding2 = "OuterCladdingMaterial";
outerCladdingMaterial = new G4Material(materialNameCladding2,PMMA2->GetDensity(),1);
outerCladdingMaterial->AddMaterial(PMMA2,1.);
```

Use predefined materials in Geant4:

```
// Environment
Air      = man->FindOrBuildMaterial("G4_AIR");
Vacuum   = man->FindOrBuildMaterial("G4_Galactic");

// Polystyrene  G4_POLYSTYRENE
Pstyrene = man->FindOrBuildMaterial("G4_POLYSTYRENE");

// Core sections
G4String materialNameCore = "ScintCoreMaterial";
scintCoreMaterial = new G4Material(materialNameCore,Pstyrene->GetDensity(),1);
scintCoreMaterial->AddMaterial(Pstyrene,1.);
```

Scintillation in GEANT4



- A material will create Optical Photons from deposited ionisation energy
- Note: Material properties are attached to the process (and not the material).
- This means, at present, GEANT4 can only accommodate one scintillation material in any given application
- The yield may be set to be dependent on the type of primary particle.
 - Not implemented here yet (Geant4 v10.7 or greater needed)
 - Known saturation effects from ions

```
// Set scintillation and WLS properties

scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("FASTCOMPONENT",scintSpecVector);
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("SLOWCOMPONENT",scintSpecVector);
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("WLSCOMPONENT",wlsSpecVector);

scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("SCINTILLATIONYIELD",
                                              Parameters::GetInstance()->ScintillationYield()/keV);
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("RESOLUTIONSCALE",
                                              Parameters::GetInstance()->ResolutionScale());
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("FASTTIMECONSTANT",
                                              Parameters::GetInstance()->DecayTimeFast()*ns);
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("SLOWTIMECONSTANT",
                                              Parameters::GetInstance()->DecayTimeSlow()*ns);
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("YIELDRATIO", Parameters::GetInstance()->YieldRatio());
// Is set in "PhysicsList.hh" as well due to inconsistency in Geant4 (G4OpticalPhysics default value)

scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("WLSABSLENGTH",
                                         WlsAbsEnergy,WlsAbsLength,WLS_ABS_ENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);

scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddConstProperty("WLSTIMECONSTANT", Parameters::GetInstance()->WlsDecayTime()*ns);
```



Optical Photons need material properties



- Absorption lengths are wavelength dependent
- **Radiation damage:** Implemented in SciFiSimG4 by using sections of Fibre with different optical properties (not included here in the Mat simulation for simplicity)

```
// Material properties table

G4MaterialPropertiesTable* scintCoreMaterialProperties = new G4MaterialPropertiesTable();
G4MaterialPropertiesTable* innerCladMaterialProperties = new G4MaterialPropertiesTable();
G4MaterialPropertiesTable* outerCladMaterialProperties = new G4MaterialPropertiesTable();

// Set absorption

// todo : write functions in c++ code
TF1 coreAbs("coreAbs",Parameters::GetInstance()->AbsorptionCore(),300,800);
TF1 clad1Abs("clad1Abs",Parameters::GetInstance()->AbsorptionClad1(),300,800);
TF1 clad2Abs("clad2Abs",Parameters::GetInstance()->AbsorptionClad2(),300,800);

G4double* Pstyrene_ABSLENGTH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA_ABSLENGTH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA2_ABSLENGTH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];

// Calculate absorption lengths

for(int j=0; j<E_NUMENTRIES; j++)
{
    double wavelengthNanometer = Parameters::hcPERe/Energy[j]*1e3;

    Pstyrene_ABSLENGTH[j] = 1./coreAbs.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
    PMMA_ABSLENGTH[j]     = 1./clad1Abs.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
    PMMA2_ABSLENGTH[j]   = 1./clad2Abs.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
}

scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("ABSLENGTH",Energy,Pstyrene_ABSLENGTH,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);
innerCladMaterialProperties->AddProperty("ABSLENGTH",Energy,PMMA_ABSLENGTH,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);
outerCladMaterialProperties->AddProperty("ABSLENGTH",Energy,PMMA2_ABSLENGTH,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);
```

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/lhcb-scifi/SciFiSimG4>

Optical Photons need material properties



- Wavelength dependant refractive index

```
// Set refractive indices
scintCoreMaterialProperties->AddProperty("RINDEX",Energy,Pstyrene_RIND,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);
innerCladMaterialProperties->AddProperty("RINDEX",Energy,PMMA_RIND,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);
outerCladMaterialProperties->AddProperty("RINDEX",Energy,PMMA2_RIND,E_NUMENTRIES)->SetSpline(true);

// REFRACTIVE INDICES

G4double* Vacuum_RIND = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* Pstyrene_RIND = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA_RIND = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA2_RIND = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* Epoxy_RIND = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];

// Functions are saved in parameter-file
// todo: write this functions in c++ code
TF1 vacuumRind("vacuumRind",Parameters::GetInstance()->RefractiveIndexVacuum(),300,800);
TF1 coreRind("coreRind",Parameters::GetInstance()->RefractiveIndexCore(),300,800);
TF1 clad1Rind("clad1Rind",Parameters::GetInstance()->RefractiveIndexClad1(),300,800);
TF1 clad2Rind("clad2Rind",Parameters::GetInstance()->RefractiveIndexClad2(),300,800);

for(int i=0; i<E_NUMENTRIES; i++)
{
    double wavelengthNanometer = Parameters::hcPERe/Energy[i]*1e3;
    Vacuum_RIND[i] = vacuumRind.Eval(wavelengthNanometer);
    Pstyrene_RIND[i] = coreRind.Eval(wavelengthNanometer);
    PMMA_RIND[i] = clad1Rind.Eval(wavelengthNanometer);
    PMMA2_RIND[i] = clad2Rind.Eval(wavelengthNanometer);
    Epoxy_RIND[i] = 1.59;
}
```

Optical Photons need material properties



- Rayleigh scattering

```
// RAYLEIGH SCATTERING

G4double* Pstyrene_RAYLEIGH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA_RAYLEIGH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];
G4double* PMMA2_RAYLEIGH = new G4double[E_NUMENTRIES];

TF1 coreRayleigh("coreRayleigh",Parameters::GetInstance()->RayleighCore(),300,800);
TF1 clad1Rayleigh("clad1Rayleigh",Parameters::GetInstance()->RayleighClad1(),300,800);
TF1 clad2Rayleigh("clad2Rayleigh",Parameters::GetInstance()->RayleighClad2(),300,800);

// Calculate scattering lengths

for(int j=0; j<E_NUMENTRIES; j++)
{
    double wavelengthNanometer = Parameters::hcPERe/Energy[j]*1e3;
    // todo : write this functions in c++
    Pstyrene_RAYLEIGH[j] = 1./coreRayleigh.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
    PMMA_RAYLEIGH[j]      = 1./clad1Rayleigh.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
    PMMA2_RAYLEIGH[j]     = 1./clad2Rayleigh.Eval(wavelengthNanometer)*m;
}
```

Define the geometry

- After defining your materials, start with your World
 - Typically a big box of air or vacuum
- A physical Volume has:
 - a shape (GVBox, G4Tube, ...)
 - A logical volume where you assign the shape, material, logicalName=“World”
 - placement of a logical volume creates a physical volume with a location inside a parent.
 - World is our Top parent such that parent = 0
 - placementName

```
DefineMaterials();
DefineMaterialProperties();

// Placing the world (experimental hall)

//-----
// World
//-----

G4Box * world_box =
    new G4Box("World", fWorldSizeX, fWorldSizeY, fWorldSizeZ);

fLogicWorld = new G4LogicalVolume(world_box,
                                 Air,
                                 "World");

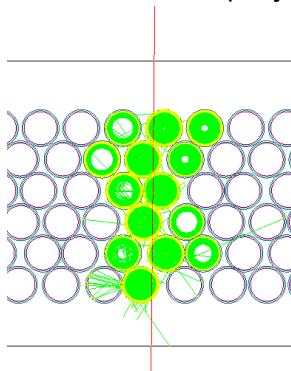
fPhysiWorld = new G4PVPlacement(0,G4ThreeVector(0.,0.,0.), fLogicWorld,"World", 0, false, 0);
```

```
G4LogicalVolume::G4LogicalVolume ( G4VSolid *           pSolid,
                                    G4Material *          pMaterial,
                                    const G4String &      name,
                                    G4FieldManager *       pFieldMgr = 0,
                                    G4VSensitiveDetector * pSDetector = 0,
                                    G4UserLimits *         pULimits = 0,
                                    G4bool                 optimise = true
                                )

G4PVPlacement::G4PVPlacement ( G4RotationMatrix *   pRot,
                               const G4ThreeVector & tlate,
                               G4LogicalVolume *      pCurrentLogical,
                               const G4String &      pName,
                               G4LogicalVolume *      pMotherLogical,
                               G4bool                 pMany,
                               G4int                  pCopyNo,
                               G4bool                 pSurfChk = false
                           )
```

The fibre mat

- A detector box for moving all the volumes around together inside the World volume
- The glue between the fibres is handled by placing the fibres inside a box of epoxy



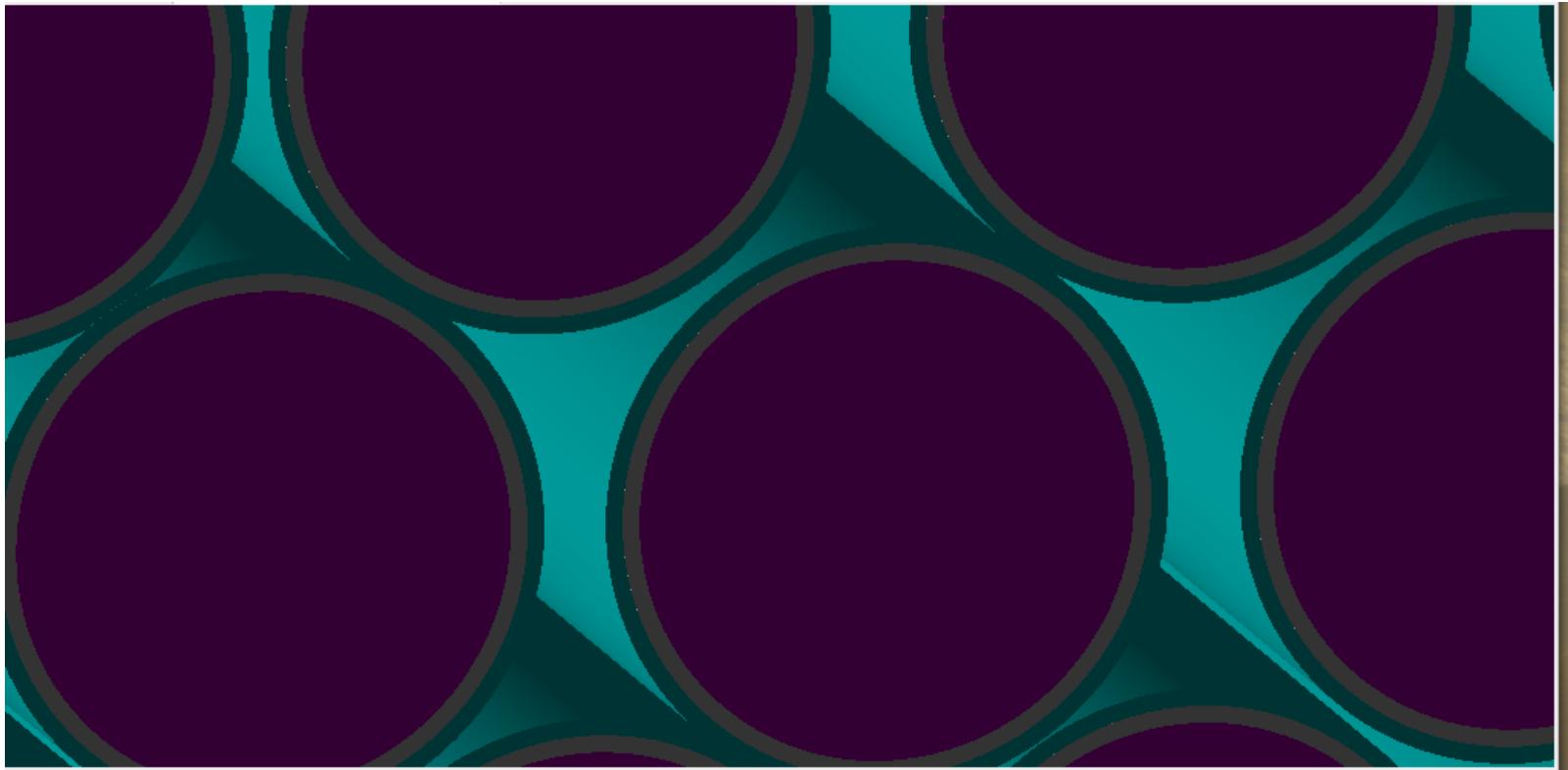
```
G4Box* detector_box = new G4Box("Detector",detector_x,detector_y,detector_z);
detector_log = new G4LogicalVolume(detector_box,Air,"Detector");
detector_phys = new G4PVPlacement(0,G4ThreeVector(0., 0., scint_z ),detector_log,"Detector",fLogicWorld,false,0);

// Epoxy (a sheet of epoxy that the fibres are embedded inside)
G4double xEpoxy = 0.5*(Nk*xDist+2*Parameters::GetInstance()->SemiAxisZ()*mm)+5*mm;
G4double yEpoxy = 0.5*(Nj*yDist+2*Parameters::GetInstance()->SemiAxisZ()*mm)+0.2*mm;
G4Box* epoxyBox = new G4Box("EpoxyBox",xEpoxy, yEpoxy, scint_z );
epoxyLog = new G4LogicalVolume(epoxyBox, Epoxy, "EpoxyBox", 0, 0, 0);
epoxyPhy = new G4PVPlacement(0, G4ThreeVector(), epoxyLog, "EpoxyBox", detector_log, false, 0);

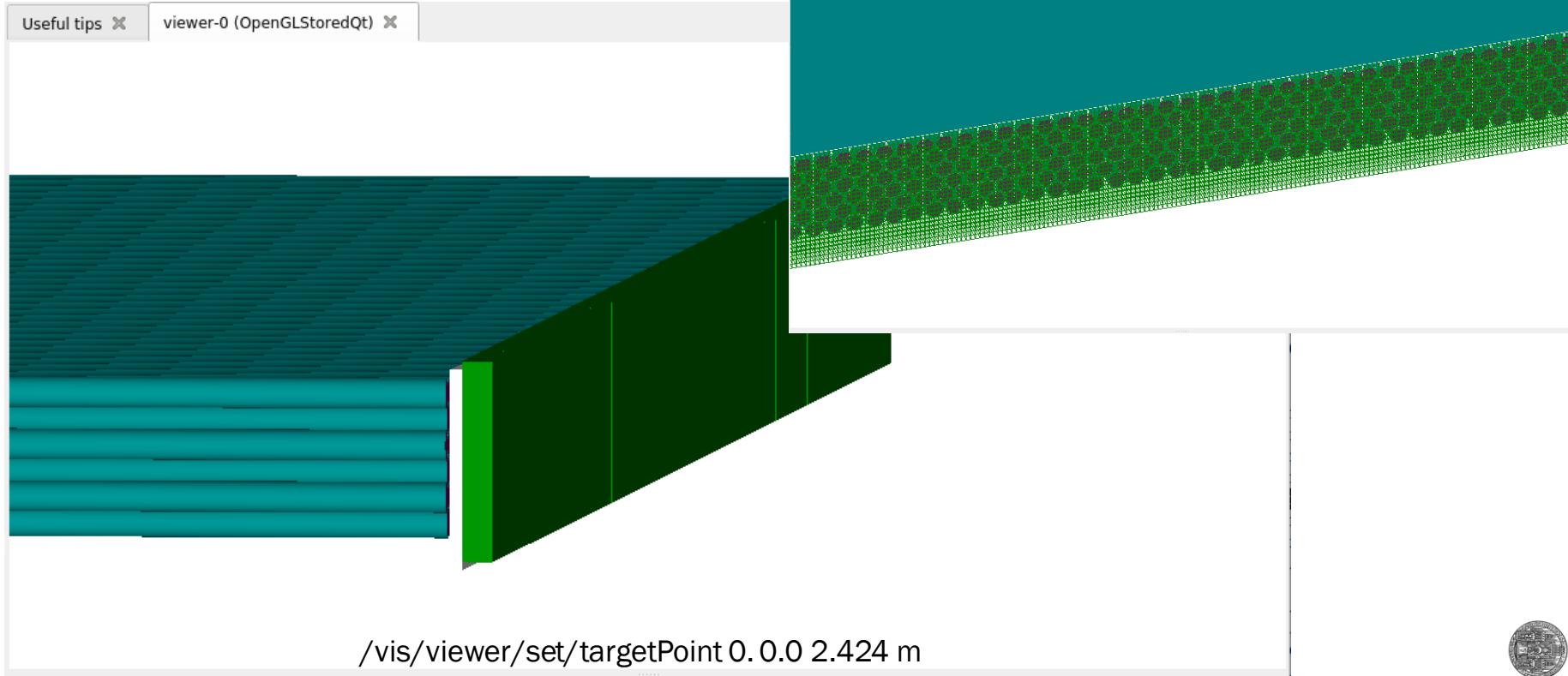
/* ++ Fibre Placement ++
// Outer cladding
G4Tubs* clad2Section_tube = new G4Tubs("Cladding2Section",clad2_rZmin,clad2_rZmax,dim_z, sphi,ephi);
G4LogicalVolume *clad2Section_log = new G4LogicalVolume(clad2Section_tube,
                                                       outerCladdingMaterial, "Cladding2Section",0,0,0);
// Inner cladding
G4Tubs* clad1Section_tube = new G4Tubs("Cladding1Section",clad1_rZmin,clad1_rZmax,dim_z, sphi,ephi);
G4LogicalVolume *clad1Section_log = new G4LogicalVolume(clad1Section_tube,
                                                       innerCladdingMaterial, "Cladding1Section",0,0,0);
// Scintillating core
G4Tubs* coreSection_tube = new G4Tubs("CoreSection",core_rZmin,core_rZmax,dim_z, sphi,ephi);
G4LogicalVolume *coreSection_log = new G4LogicalVolume(coreSection_tube,
                                                       scintCoreMaterial, "CoreSection",0,0,0);

for(int j = 0; j < Nj; j++)
{
    for(int k = 0; k < Nk; k++)
    {
        origin = objectPos(j,k);
        new G4PVPlacement(0, origin, clad2Section_log, "Cladding2"+C::c(j)+C::c(k), epoxyLog, true, 0);
        new G4PVPlacement(0, origin, clad1Section_log, "Cladding1"+C::c(j)+C::c(k), epoxyLog, true, 0);
        new G4PVPlacement(0, origin, coreSection_log, "Core"+C::c(j)+C::c(k), epoxyLog, true, 0);
    }
}
/* ++ End of Fibre Placement ++ */
```

Handles the staggering of rows, random variations, etc



The Sensitive Detector (SiPMs)



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- A logical volume becomes “sensitive” if it has a pointer to a concrete class derived from **G4VSensitiveDetector**
- You can create “Hits” which can then create a custom detector response when the particle enters the volume.
 - In this case, the Pixel is simply recorded in the DetectedPhotons tree and the photon is killed.

```
/* ++ Construction and placement of the detector strips ++ */

// Epoxy layer in front of det strip
G4VSolid* epoxy_strip = new G4Box("EpoxyStrip", stripWidth/2., stripHeight/2., epoxy_strip_width/2.);
G4LogicalVolume* epoxy_strip_log = new G4LogicalVolume(epoxy_strip, Glue, "EpoxyStrip", 0, 0, 0);

//place the pixels at the end of the fibre mat
G4VSolid* pixels = new G4Box("Pixel", pixelDimX/2., pixelDimY/2., stripWidth/2.);
G4LogicalVolume* pixelL = new G4LogicalVolume(pixels, Glue, "Pixel", 0, 0, 0);

SensitiveDetector* sensitive = new SensitiveDetector("/Sensitive");
G4SDManager* sdman = G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer();
sdman->AddNewDetector(sensitive);
pixelL->SetSensitiveDetector(sensitive);

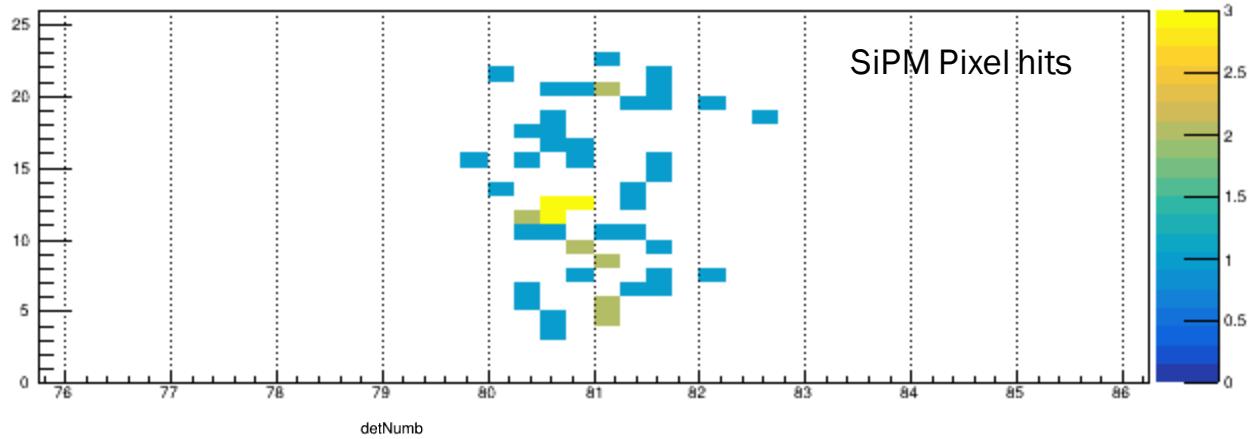
G4int Nk_s = ceil((G4double)Nk)*(xDist/stripWidth); // Determ. autom. nb. of detector strips.
for(int k = 1; k < Nk_s-1; k++)
{
    new G4PVPlacement(0, objectPos(Nj/2, k, scint_z+epoxy_strip_width/2.+airGap), epoxy_strip_log,
                      "EpoxyStrip", detector_log, false, 0);

    for(int i = 0; i < Nx; i++)
    {
        for(int j = 0; j < Ny; j++){
            new G4PVPlacement(0, objectPos(Nj/2, i, j, k, scint_z+stripWidth/2.+epoxy_strip_width+airGap),
                            pixelL, "SensitiveDetector"+C::c1(k)+C::c2(i)+C::c3(j), detector_log, false, 0);
        }
    }
}
/* ++ End of Constr. and placem. of det. strips ++ */
```

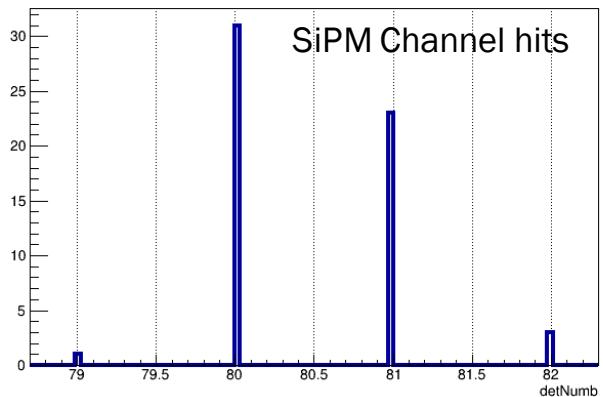
<https://geant4-userdoc.web.cern.ch/UsersGuides/ForApplicationDeveloper/html/Detector/hit.html?highlight=sensitive>

ROOT output outFile_1.root

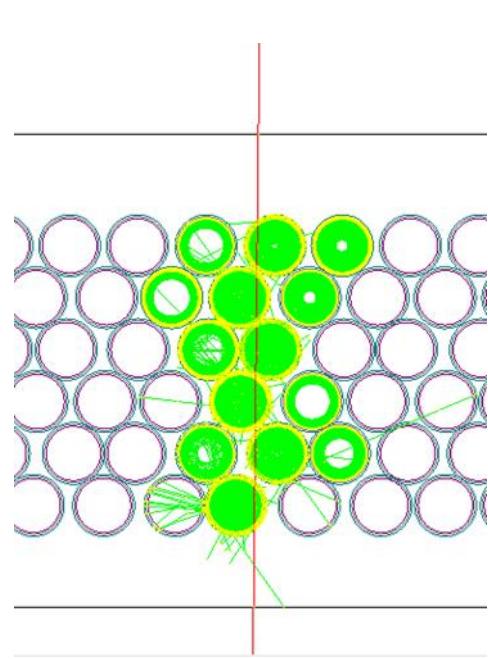
yPixel:detNumb+xPixel*0.25



SiPM Pixel hits



SiPM Channel hits



To prevent optical photon generation



Comment out this section

/* */ in
src/PhysicsList.cc

For only tracking primary
particles. Then recompile.

```
/*
// * Optical Physics
G4OpticalPhysics* opticalPhysics = new G4OpticalPhysics();
RegisterPhysics( opticalPhysics );

// adjust some parameters for the optical physics
opticalPhysics->SetWLSTimeProfile("exponential");

opticalPhysics->SetScintillationYieldFactor(1.0);
opticalPhysics->SetScintillationExcitationRatio(Parameters::GetInstance()->YieldRatio());

opticalPhysics->SetMaxNumPhotonsPerStep(100);
opticalPhysics->SetMaxBetaChangePerStep(10.0);

// opticalPhysics->SetTrackSecondariesFirst(true);
*/
}

void PhysicsList::ConstructParticle()
{
    // Constructs all particles
    G4VModularPhysicsList::ConstructParticle();
}

void PhysicsList::SetCuts()
```

U:***- PhysicsList.cc 36% L45 Git:master (C++/l Abbrev)

Compiling and running the software.



Follow the README.me file, and after every change, from the SciFiMatG4_v2 folder:

- source setup.sh
- mkdir -p build //it is recommended to delete this folder if you have errors during compilation
- cd build
- cmake/SciFiSim
- cmake --build . // or make clean; make

Run from SimulationData folder

- cd ../SimulationData
 - ../build/scifiSim // opens a GUI
- Or
- ../build/scifisim muongun.mac //batch mode when a .mac file is specified

Use batch mode once you are satisfied with your setup and only need to collect results.



The visualization macro (vis.mac)



- Draw your volumes
- Hide some volumes
- Change view angles, colours, etc
- Generate primaries and visualize tracks
- Can all be done from the interface command line too

```
/control/verbose 1
/event/verbose 0
/run/verbose 2
/vis/open OGL 600x600-0+0
/vis/viewer/set/autoRefresh false
/vis/verbose errors

/vis/drawVolume
/vis/scene/add/trajectories smooth
/tracking/storeTrajectory 2

# To get nice view
# Make the "World" box invisible

/vis/geometry/set/visibility World 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility Detector 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility EpoxyBox 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility AbsBox 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility EpoxyStrip 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility Pixel 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility Trigger 0 false
/vis/geometry/set/visibility Mirror 0 false

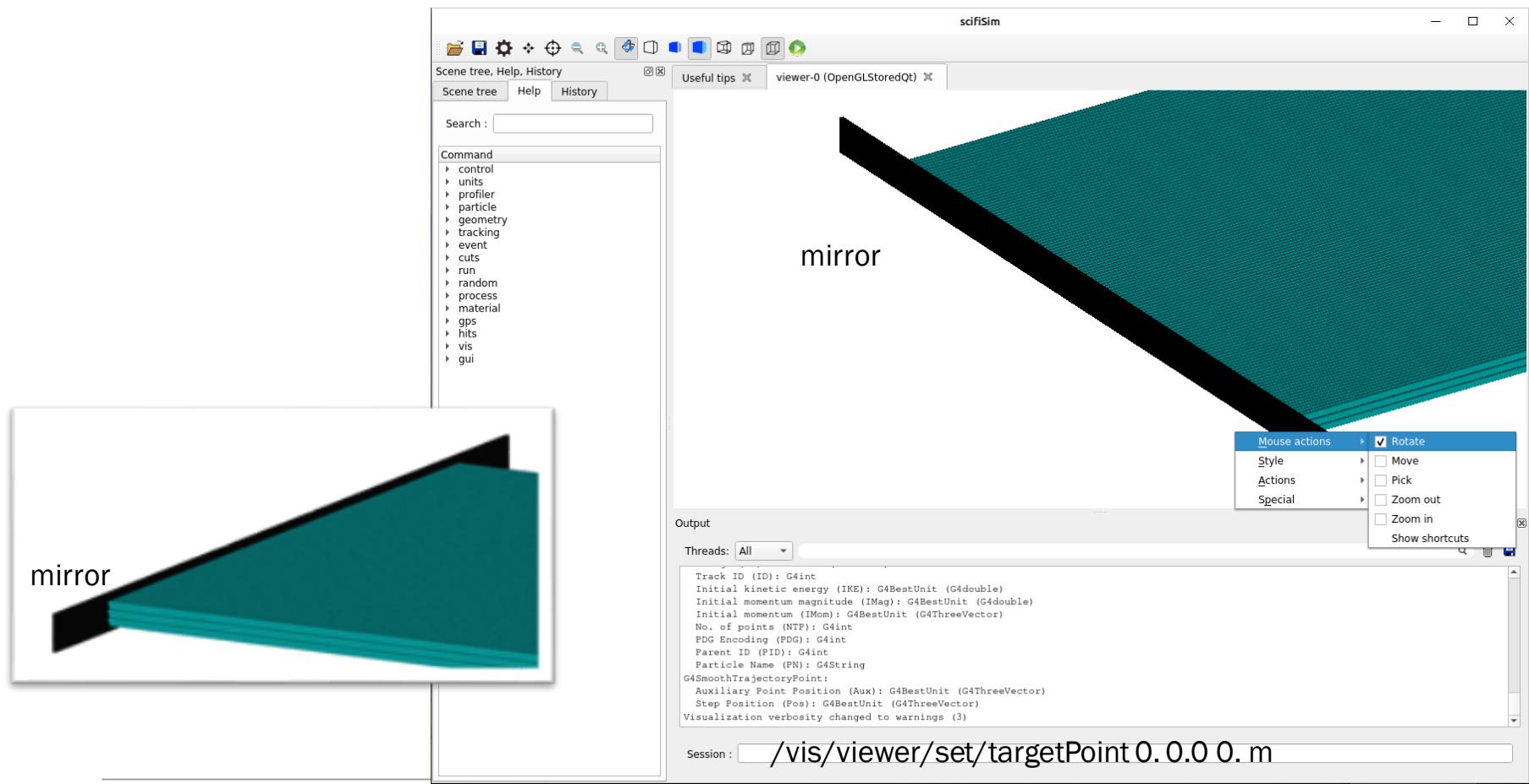
/vis/geometry/set/colour all 0 0 0 0

/vis/geometry/set/colour Cladding2Section 1 0. 0.5
/vis/geometry/set/colour Cladding1Section 0 0.5 0.5
/vis/geometry/set/colour CoreSection 0 0.5 0.0 0.5
/vis/geometry/set/colour Pixel 0 0.0 0.5 0.0 1.0
/vis/geometry/set/colour EpoxyStrip 0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1 /vis/scene/endOfEventAction accumulate
/vis/geometry/set/colour EpoxyBox 0 0.9 0.9 0.9 1.
/vis/geometry/set/colour EpoxyBoxsub 0 0.25 0.25 0

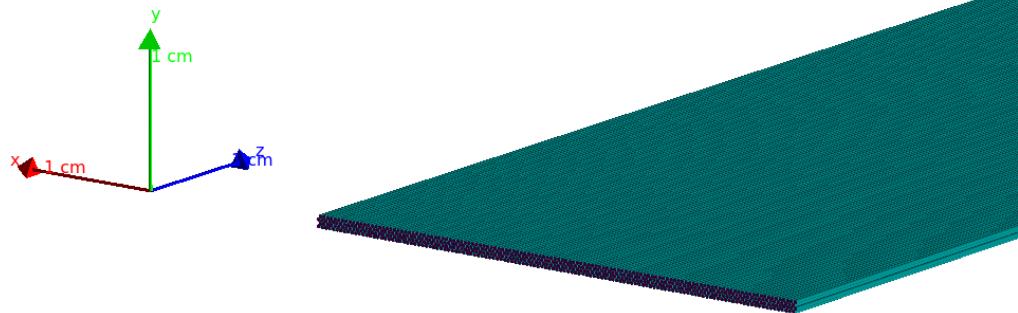
# Specify style (surface, wireframe, auxiliary edges,...)
#/vis/viewer/set/style wireframe
#/vis/viewer/set/auxiliaryEdge true
/vis/viewer/set/style surface
#edge is slow
/vis/viewer/set/lineSegmentsPerCircle 100
#/vis/viewer/set/edge false
#/vis/viewer/set/hiddenMarker true
/vis/viewer/set/targetPoint 0.0 0.0 .0 m
#slight angle view from mirror end
#/vis/viewer/set/viewpointThetaPhi 120 50
/vis/viewer/set/viewpointThetaPhi 180 90
/vis/viewer/zoomTo 20
/vis/viewer/set/background white
/vis/viewer/set/projection p

/vis/scene/notifyHandlers
/vis/modeling/trajectories/create/drawByCharge
/vis/modeling/trajectories/drawByCharge-0/default/setDrawStepPts true
/vis/scene/notifyHandlers scene-0
/vis/modeling/trajectories/drawByCharge-0/default/setStepPtsSize 2
/vis/scene/notifyHandlers scene-0

/vis/viewer/set/autoRefresh true
/vis/viewer/refresh
/vis/verbose warnings
```



Add axes



Output

Threads: All

```
/vis/scene/notifyHandlers scene=0
/viz/scene/endOfEventAction accumulate
/viz/viewer/set/autoRefresh true
/viz/viewer/refresh
/viz/viewer/refresh
/viz/verbose warnings
Visualization verbosity changed to warnings (3)
/viz/particle msg
WARNING: Viewpoint direction is very close to the up vector direction.
Change the up vector or "/viz/viewer/set/rotationStyle freeRotation".
/viz/scene/add/axes 3 0 0 1 cm
/viz/scene/notifyHandlers
```

