

# Geant4 Collaboration Meeting 2016

## USER REQUIREMENTS – SPACE

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Pete Truscott – Kallisto Consultancy

Christophe Inguibert – ONERA

Melanie Raine – CEA

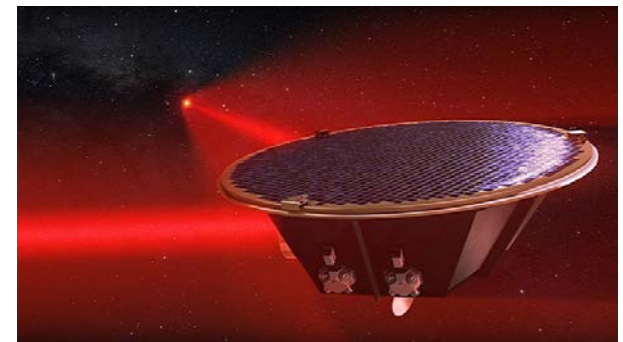
Martina Giraudo – Thales Alenia Space Italy

Robert Weller – Vanderbilt University

Ferrara

12 - 16 September 2015

- ESA **Athena** X-ray telescope
  - Proton grazing angle scattering
    - Protons reach sensors through X-ray mirrors open configuration
    - *Earlier: Geant4 implementation of Firsov scattering (F/Lei, P.Truscott, R.Nartallo)*
    - *Ongoing: Review, model dev. and exp. validation (ESA AREMBES, see talk by A. Mantero)*
  - Radioactive decay, atomic de-excitation, PIXE (LD: and hadronics as input)
    - Short and long-term activation and X-ray lines induced by Solar Proton Events, GCRs
    - *RDM: significant effort in past few years, mini-workshop @CERN March 2016*
    - *Ongoing: Update of DB, bug-fixing, transition to MT*
    - *See talk by Dennis on Thu PM, and by Alfonso*
- Proof-mass charging as in **eLISA**
  - Hadronics, electron surface emission
    - *Earlier studies by E.Araujo, A.Howard et al*
    - *Review & Physics dev. funding request at ESA*



## Robert Weller, Vanderbilt University

1. The **best nuclear reaction physics possible**. Whatever it is, it should be able to at least
  - compute **as accurately as LAQGSM** and
  - be **tested with the same thoroughness** as the results for that program as published both externally and internally in Los Alamos reports

It is absolute critical in my opinion for microelectronics that these reactions, and particularly the **heavy fragments** from these reactions be of as high quality as the state of the part permits.

*A lot is going on in hadronics. Still many open issues (see also shielding UR)*

*Are LAQGSM based simulations in our verification dataset?*

2. Better treatment of **low(er) energy electrons at short distances**. As you know we collaborated with Makoto to include the **PENELOPE 2008** that he had from Salvat into mred. I know that there are penelope implementations in Geant4, but the last time I looked at tracks on a scale of a few nm, as is necessary for microelectronics today, **the “real” PENELOPE tracks at least looked physical. The Geant4 PENELOPE tracks clearly didn’t look physical**

*MSC / SS appears as culprit. Add nm scale use-cases in MSC/SS verification plan*

# (Single Event) Effects in microelectronics (2/3)



**Christophe Inguibert, ONERA**  
**Melanie Raine, CEA**

- Extensions to secondary emission in **microelec** module.
  - e- emission phenomena at vacuum/material and in general material/material interfaces
  - Quantum **reflections at interface** analogous to optical reflection/refraction process
  - Similarly electrons can **excite surface plasmon** near the surface
- Requirement of better handling of **surface of a volume**
  - Extend surface mechanisms in Geant4 for optical photons to other kind of applications

*See talk in parallel session "New EM developments" on Tuesday afternoon*

*Possibly link to UR for surface effects and e- emission for eLISA, and ATHENA p reflections*

# (Single Event) Effects in microelectronics (3/3)



Experience from the Nanotrack project (ESA funding)

**Fan Lei, RadMod Research**  
**Pete Truscott, Kallisto Consultancy**

- FL: problems appearing in determining accurate location with tally mesh sizes < **10 nm** scale  
*(we'd need some details, but I'd be glad to discuss this limitation at this meeting)*
- FL: apparent discrepancy in the performance in MicroElec physics between the results of Geant4 microelectronics example and that of GRAS  
*Ongoing (but interrupted) discussion with Pete/Fan/Vladimir*
- PT: MuElec seems to run extremely **slow** compared with standard DNA EM physics. Also, thus far, MuElec **only treats Si**, and I think Au is promised. I think once the above issues have been addressed, the extension to other materials would be valuable.

# (Single Event) Effects in microelectronics (4/3)



Fan Lei, RadMod Research  
Pete Truscott, Kallisto Consultancy

- Hadron physics: **low energy ion-ion** models (<50 MeV/nuc)

- Also protons? High interest from space community. Tatsumi: G4QMD?*

- PT: Sigmund and Schinner have been working on incorporating an improved **ion charge state** model for **PASS**, rather than using the present Thomas-Fermi charge model. It is recommended that this work be monitored, and the generation of **stopping power data** be repeated under ESA contact in order to allow the best possible stopping power data to be used in Geant4.

- PT: We should consider other **straggling models**, and again I think Peter Sigmund can bring some assistance here.

## ESA, ongoing collaboration with CERN R2E group

- JUICE: Validation of **electro- and gamma-nuclear processes**, potential contribution to SEE

- Relevant  $e^-$  energies in the Van Allen belts

- @ Earth :  $e^-$  ~100 keV to 7 MeV, @ Jupiter  $e^-$  ~100 keV to 50 MeV (tail >100 MeV)

## Mathias Cyamukungu, Centre for Space Radiation & UC Louvain

- Proposal for extension of current physics to UV and IR in the Geant4 toolkit
  - UV and IR interaction process data
  - Optical properties of materials
- Envisaged application domains include
  - Photovoltaic cell design,
  - Heat radiative transfer in S/C
  - Imaging system design
  - Climatology
  - UV material degradation
  - Architectural design and energy saving
- *Looking for funding via ESA national programmes (and looking for model developers!)*
- *Would be more efficiently/quickly implemented if it was endorsed/handled by the GEANT4 Collaboration.*

**Martina Giraudo, Thales Alenia Space Italia**

- Proton- and GCR-induced effects
  - Long-duration interplanetary journeys: rad. protection, shielding optimization
  - Biological dose from HZE ions: contribution from secondaries: fragments, neutrons, activation
  - Inaccuracy in **56Fe Bragg peak @~1GeV/nuc** (ROSSINI2, talk @Chicago), backed up by recent publication by another group (good results with Abrasion/Ablation, bad with all other models)
  - Geant4 presence traditionally limited in radiation therapy and rad. protection community
    - Earlier FLUKA reference **being replaced by PHITS?**
  - *Link to UR by Bob Weller on SOTA hadronics models, and UR from medical physics*
  - *Ongoing discussion with Geant4 Hadronics WG*
  
- **Low-E extensions with links to chemistry/biological effects** analysis capabilities (e.g. Geant4-DNA)
  - Physics models extended to more materials
    - *Link to low energy extensions for micro-electronics*
  - Improve link to measurable end points and macroscopic risk models
    - *Geant4-DNA has healthy work-plan, intermittent funding, but some excellent results*



## Comparative study of depth dose-distributions and partial fragmentation cross sections of $^{56}\text{Fe}$ ions on polyethylene using GEANT4

Summit Jalota, Ashavani Kumar\*

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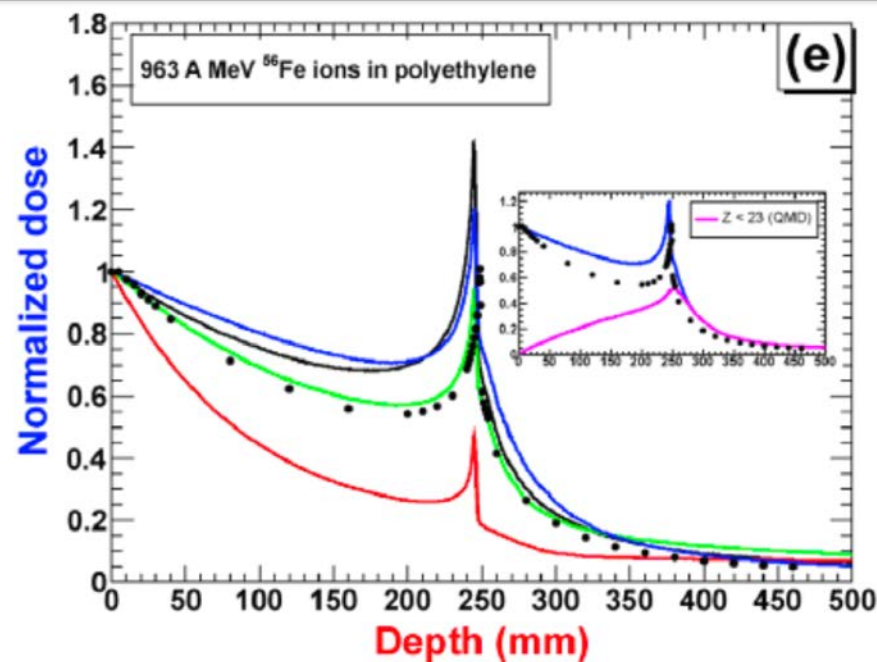
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- **Windows** platform
  - Some issues at next slide
- Geometry
  - Exchange, including **CAD**, TCAD, meshed structures, ...
- Computational **speed** (mainly for electrons)
  - Reverse MC, biasing, etc

# Windows platform UI & Visualisation



Fan Lei, RadMod Research Ltd

- **Windows/Qt/OpenGL/GDML** is the preferred combination of G4 space applications and G4 support in this area is not very prominent

- A couple of issues encountered in CIRSOS (ESA new sim. framework)

- A bug in G4QtUi.cc, identified long ago but only “half fix” committed to SVN (users have to manually update the distribution, also G4GDMLReadStructure.cc) *[is it still the case?]*
- **Bug with Qt/OpenGL/GDML in Windows**, which prevents CIRVis working on Windows. One can see the problem with example/extended/persistency/gdml/G01

*[PT: this might disappear when above is fixed]*

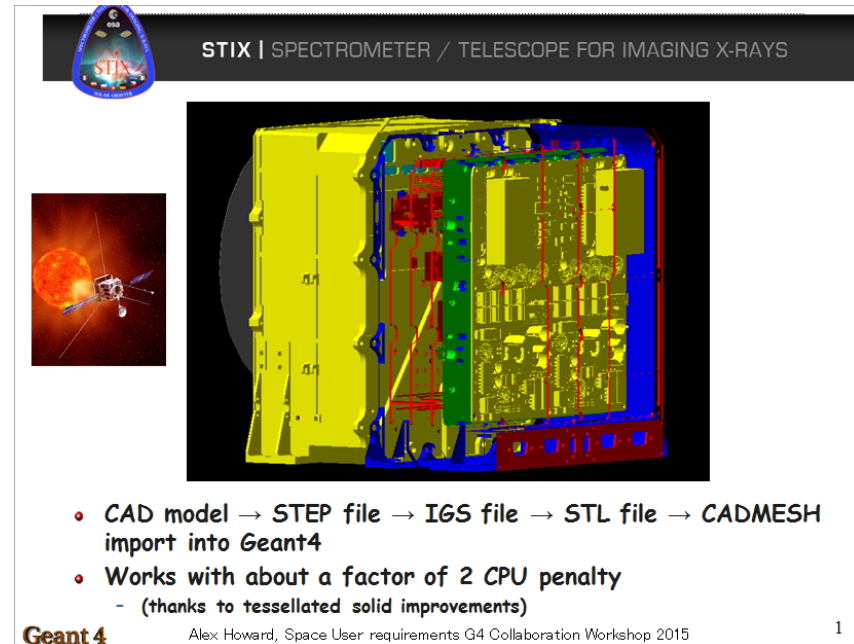
*Computing “workers” may reside on Linux clusters, but not preferred solution, and anyway **GUI and vis remain on Windows client***

- Geant4 **dataset**: problem with the large number of tiny ASCII files, need a more efficient solution

- Status of Geant4 **Multi-Thread on Windows?**

- and MT GRAS *[this is for us to solve]*

- Commercial tools (FASTRAD, ESABASE2) have GDML export + limited import
  - FASTRAD GDML output works quite well, and is improving, ESABASE2 GDML export also being improved
- Some CAD issues still not addressed
  - Manual **material** assignment
  - **Overlaps** (assessment / fix)
- Other export chains (e.g. CADMESH) seem to work but hard to sell in space engineering
- Look at (GUI and) **geometry modelling capabilities** of commercial tools



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- CAD model → STEP file → IGS file → STL file → CADMESH import into Geant4
- Works with about a factor of 2 CPU penalty
  - (thanks to tessellated solid improvements)

Geant4 Alex Howard, Space User requirements G4 Collaboration Workshop 2015

- **Reverse MC** – UR: quality control, missing validation reference studies / publications
  - Ongoing:*
  - debugging and new features: splitting & other biasing, point detector (ESA funding)*
  - Missing verification also addressed during these months*
  - Parallel session Wed @ 9:00*
- Transition to new **general biasing framework**
  - status?*
- **General Particle Source:** heavily used, but need
  - Review of code and algorithms (interpolations, sampling, UI...)
  - Better source biasing solutions to cover steep spectral shapes

Thank you

also to those who provided input for  
this presentation

