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- We (as Geant4 Collaboration and as other Geant4 Members) regularly offer tutorials and schools see Official Geant4 pages
- The official Geant4 web pages www.cern.ch/geant4
- The Italian Geant4 group: http://geant4.lngs.infn.it/

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## It is a **mathematical approach** using a sequence of random numbers **to solve a problem**

"If we are interested in a parameter of, i.e., an equation:

we must construct a big number of this equations, using

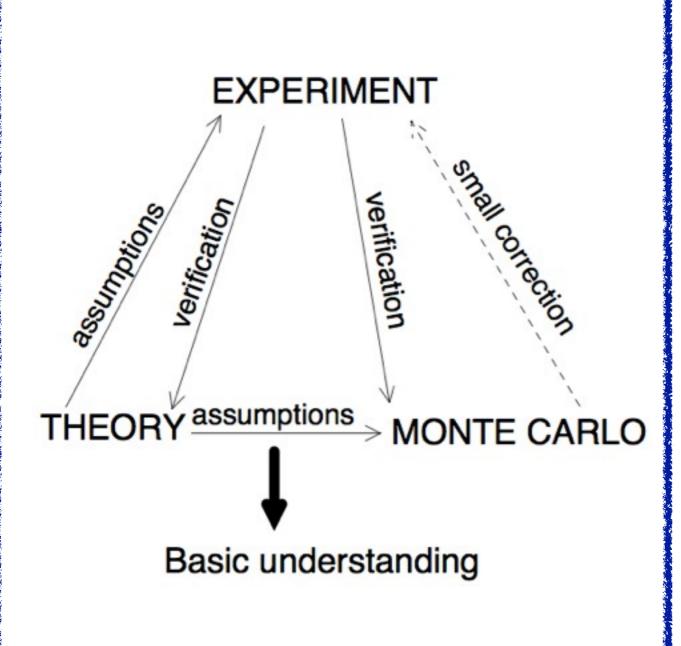
different random numbers, and

estimate the parameter and its variance"

#### **A. F. Bielajew, 2001**



#### Geant4 The Monte Carlo method



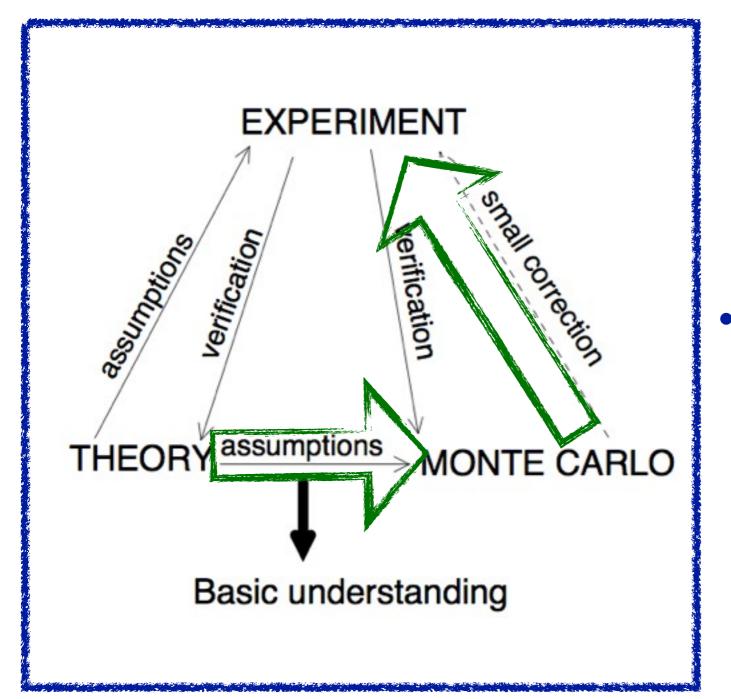
#### • Monte Carlo helps

- To verify a theory if physics models are in development

- To develop or verify an experiment in the other case



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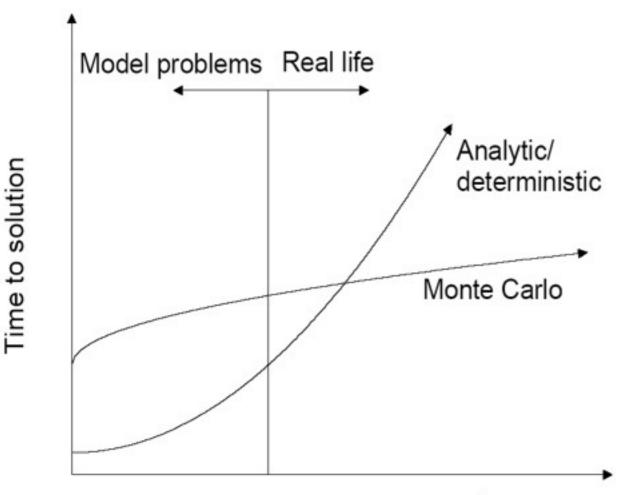
 In particle transport, if particles interaction models are known, MC can be used to calculate the parameters of the motion equations in a given configuration



- Particles are tracked one-by-one, step-by-step and, after a reasonable number, the correct information can be extracted
- MC is very time consuming but ..... sometime necessary and .....with many advantages



#### Monte Carlo vs deterministic/analytic methods



Complexity of problem (geometry)

Plot from Alex F. Bielajew, 2001

Mathematical proofs exist demonstrating that MC is the most efficient way of estimate quantity in 3D when compared to first-order deterministic method

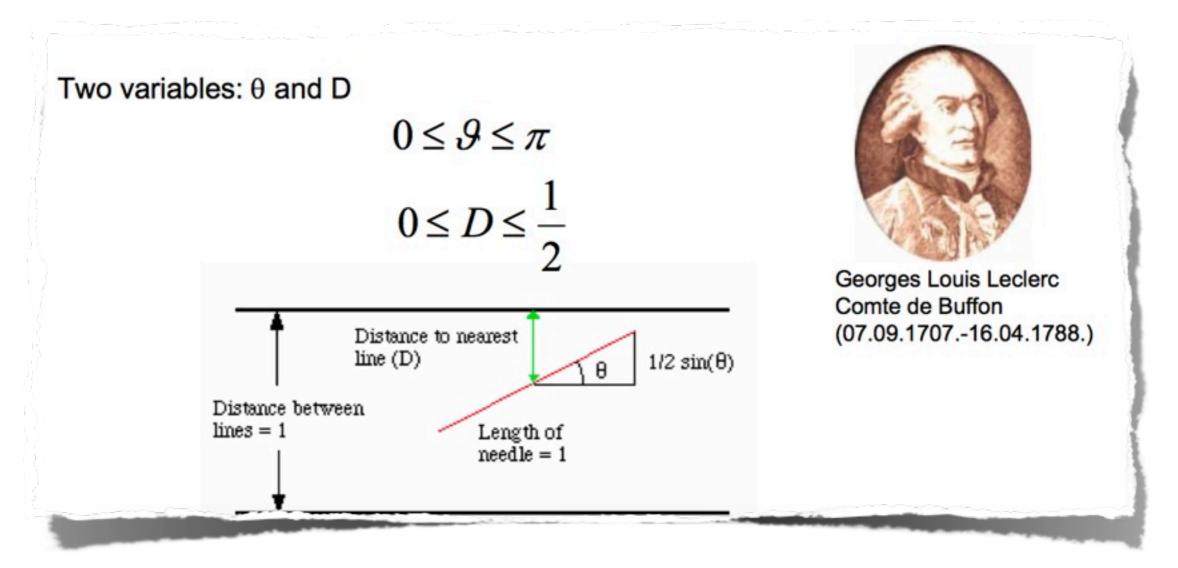
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# We need a computer for a Monte Carlo calculation?



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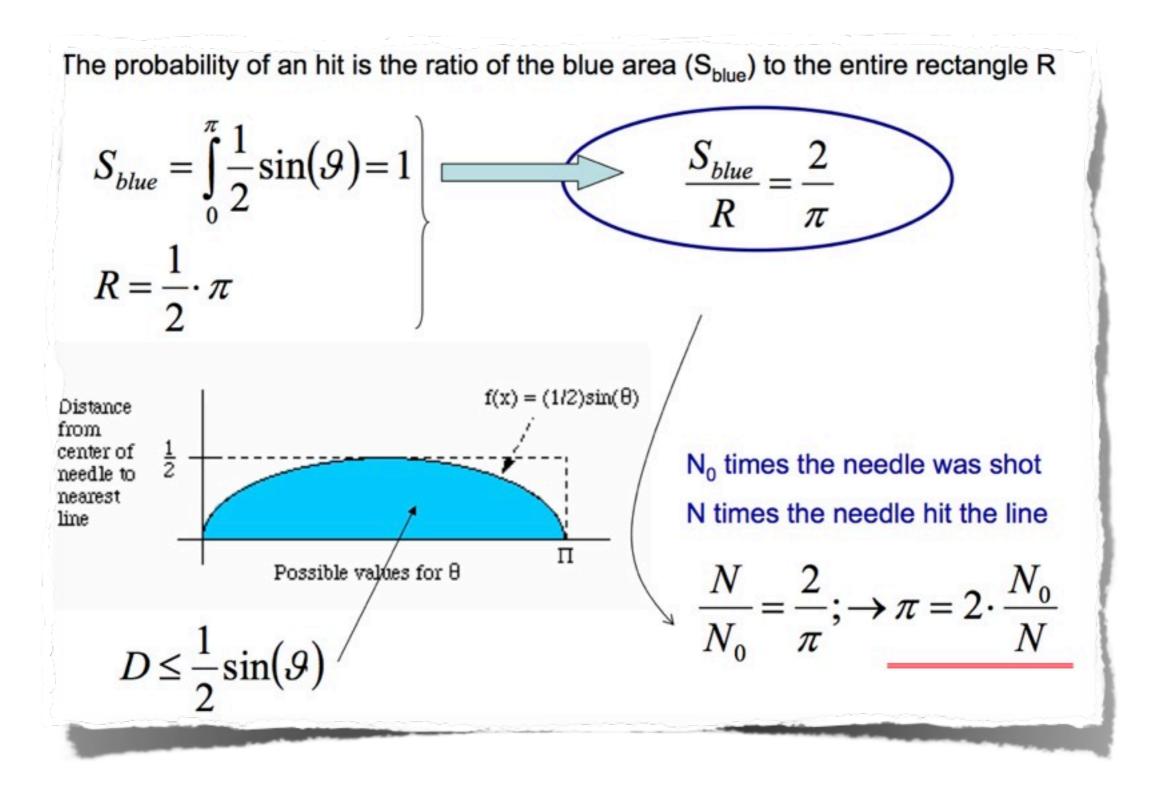
Geant4 The Monte Carlo approach for the π estimation



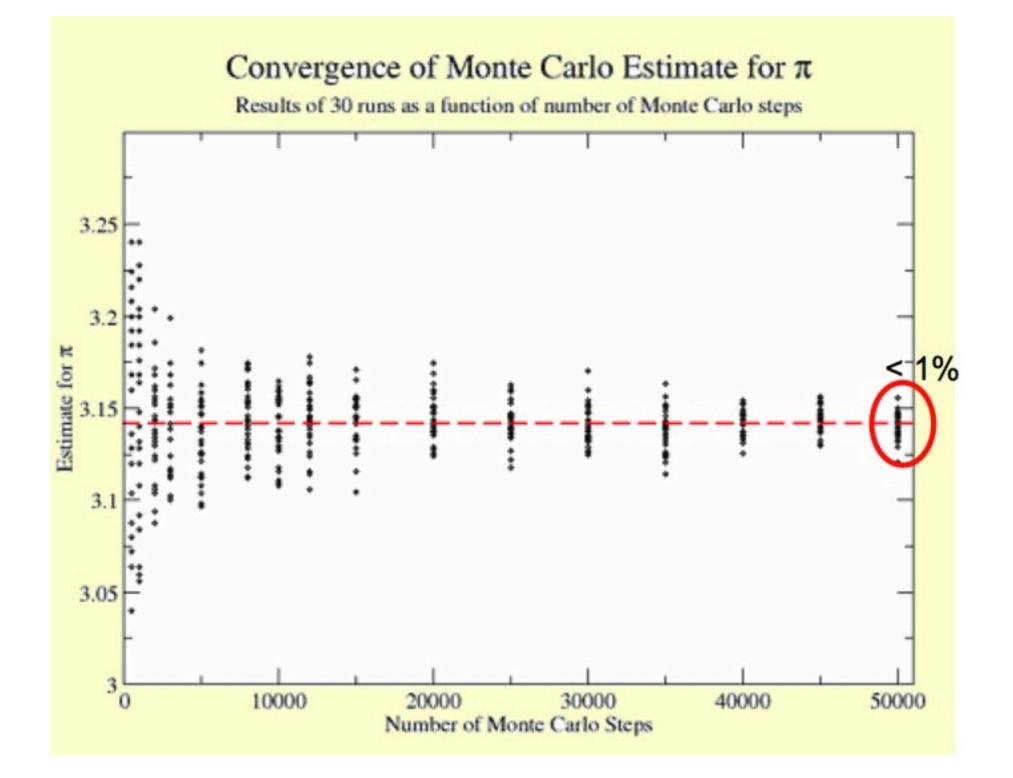
The needle will hit the line if the closest distance to a line D is

 $D \leq \frac{1}{2}\sin(\vartheta)$ 



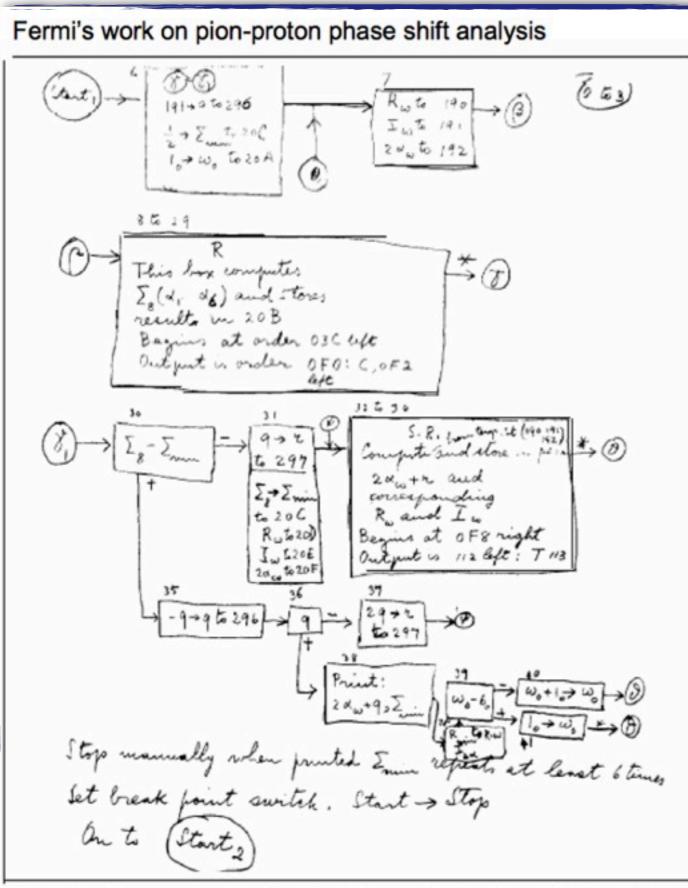


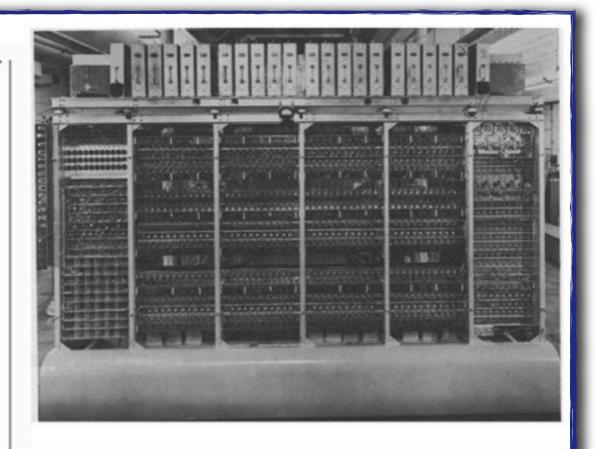






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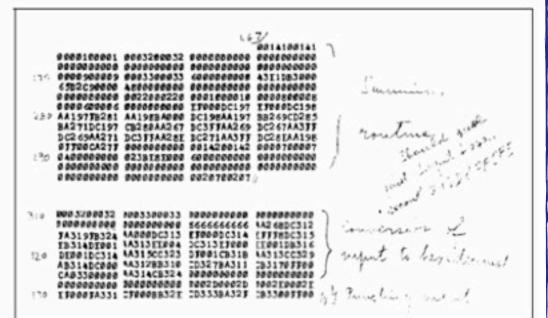


Fig. 5. A portion of the printout of the program containing the subprograms described in Figs. 3 and 4. The program is written in machine language in hexadecimal numbers.

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Fig. 4. A subprogram written by Fermi for calculating phase shifts by finding a minimum chi-squared in a fit to the data.



Geant4 Monte Carlo codes on the market

- MCNP (neutrons mainly)
- Penelope (e- and gamma)
- PETRA (protons)
- EGSnrc (e- and gammas)
- PHIT (protons/ions)
- FLUKA (any particle)

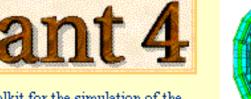
#### Geant4

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- Geant4 a simulation toolkit Nucl. Inst. and Methods Phys. Res. A, 506:250:303
- Geant4 developments and applications Transaction on Nuclear Science 53, 270-278

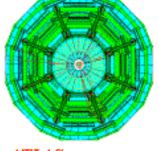




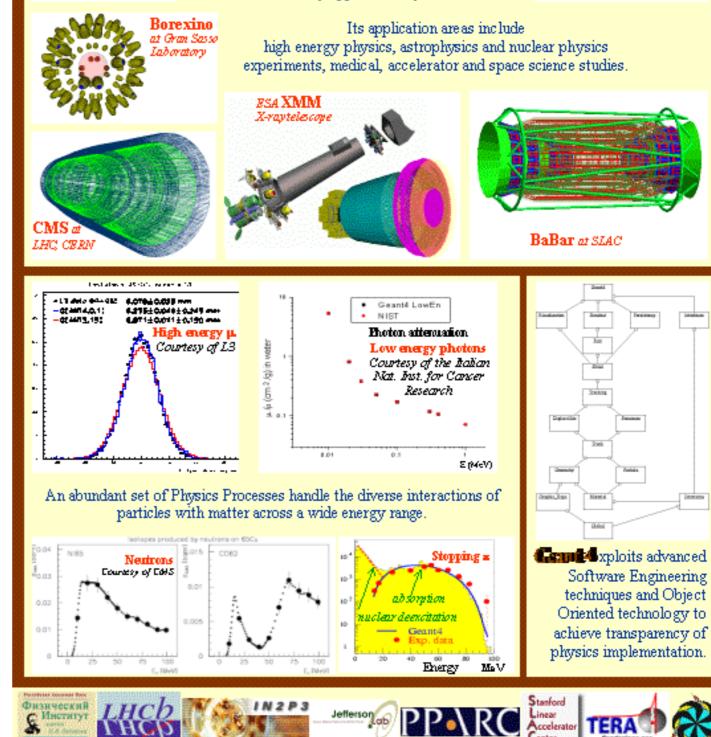




**Commute** is a toolkit for the simulation of the passage of particles through matter. It has been developed and maintained by a worldwide Collaboration of approximately 100 scientists.



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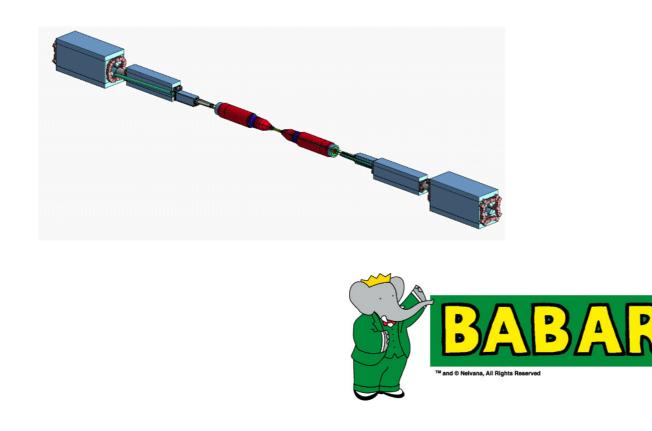
- Geant4 started at CHEP 1994 @ San Francisco
  - "Geant steps into the future", R Brun et al.
  - ''Object oriented analysis and design of a Geant based detector simulator'', K Amako et al
- Dec '94 CERN RD44 project starts
- Apr '97 First alpha release
- Jul '98 First beta release
- Dec '98 First Geant4 public release version 1.0

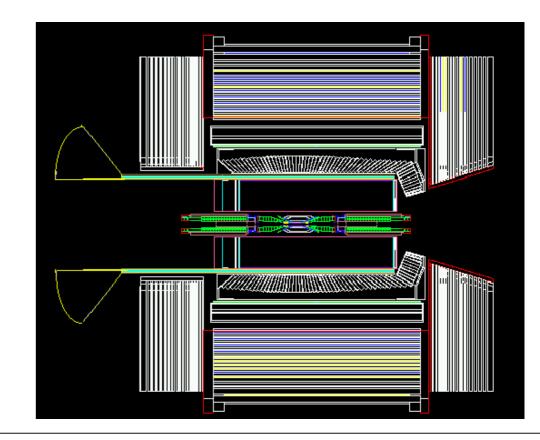


• We currently provide one public release every year



- BaBar is the pioneer HEP experiment in use of OO technology and the first customer of Geant4
  - During the R&D phase of Geant4 a lot of evaluable feedbacks were provided
- BaBar started its simulation production in 2000 and had produced more than 10 bilion events at more than 20 sites in Europe and North America.

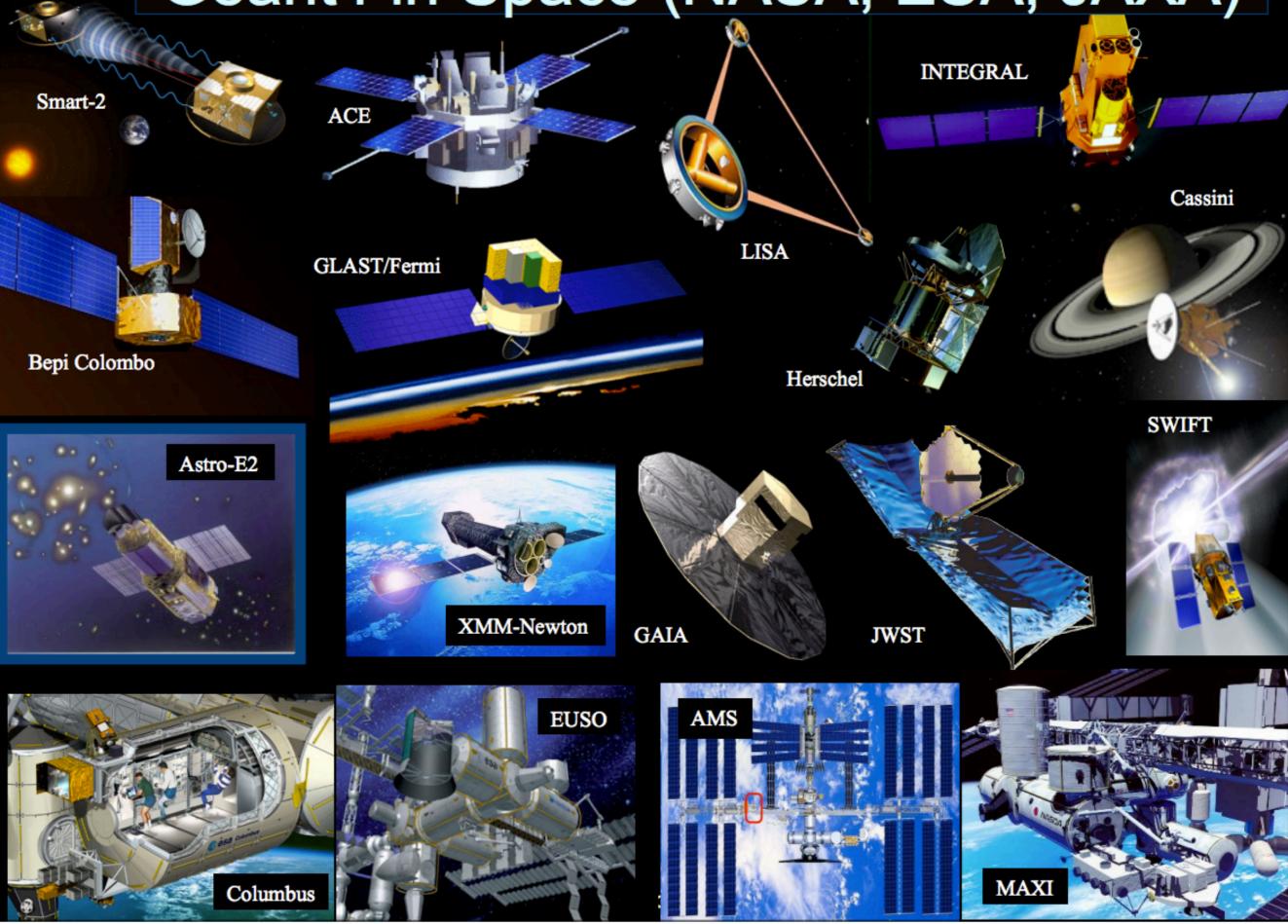




#### Large Hadron Collider @ CERN

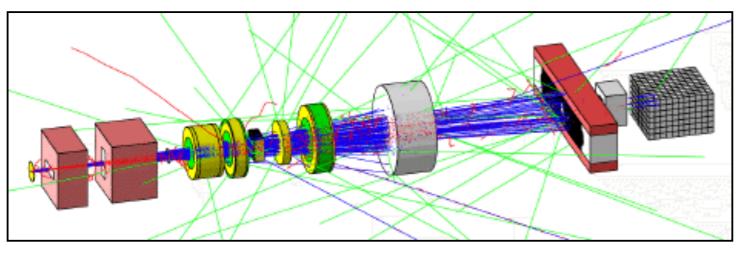


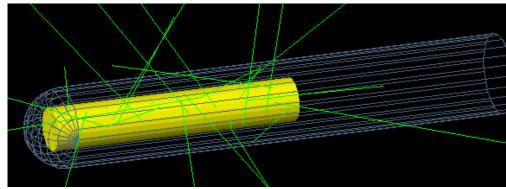
#### Geant4 in Space (NASA, ESA, JAXA)

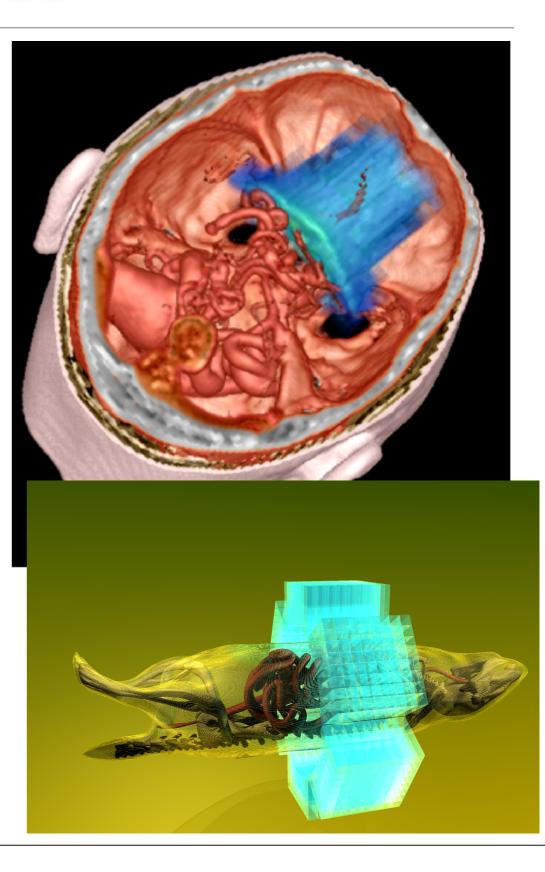


#### Geant4 and medical science

- Four major use cases
  - Beam therapy
  - Brachytherapy
  - Imaging
  - Irradiation study







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- C++ language
- Object Oriented
- Open Source
- Twice per year released
- It is a toolkit, i.e. a **collection of tools** the User can use for his/her simulation
- Consequences:
  - There are not such concepts as "Geant4 defaults"
  - You **must** provide the necessary the **necessary information** to configure your simulation
  - You must choose the **Geant4 tool** to use
- Guidance: many examples are provided:
  - Novice examples: overview of the Geant4 tools
  - Advanced Examples: Geant4 tools in real-life applications



## Geanta Minimum software requirements

- C++
  - A basic knowledge is required being Geant4 a collection of C++ libraries
  - It is complex but also no C++ experts can use Geant4
- Object oriented technology (OO)
  - Very basic knowledge
  - Expertise needed for the development of complex applications
- Unix/Linux
  - These are the standard OSs for Geant4 and a basic knowledge is required
  - Principal shell commands
  - How to compile a program
  - How to install from source code



- Linux with gcc 4.1.2 or 4.3 and Intel icc 11 or 12
  - Tested on Scientific Linux CERN 5(SLC5) but also successfuly compiled on other Linux distributions, including Debian, Ubuntu and OpenSUSE



 Mac OSX 10.7 (Lion) and 10.6 (Snow Leopard) with gcc 4.2.1

Windows 7 and XP with Visual Studio 9 and 10





- Transportation of a particle 'step-by-step' taking into account all the possible interactions with materials and fields
- The transport ends if the particle
  - reaches a zero kinetic energy
  - disappears in some interaction
  - reaches the end of the simulation volume



- •Geant4 permits to the User to access the transportation process and retrieve the results (USER ACTIONS)
  - at the beginning and end of the transport
  - at the end of each step in transportation
  - if particle reaches a sensitive detector;
  - others .....



- Multiple choices to describe the geometry
  - Basic geometry shapes
  - Representation by surface planes
  - Boolean operations, etc.
- Many possibilities to define elements and materials
  - A huge variety of particles
  - From standard to unstable also including ions



- What you MUST do:
  - Describe your experimental set-up
  - Provide the primary particles input to your simulation
  - Decide which particles and physics models you want to use out of those available in Geant4 and the precision of your simulation (cuts to produce and track secondary particles)

#### • You MAY ALSO WANT:

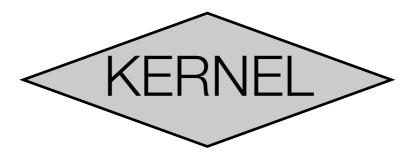
- To interact with the Geant4 kernel to control your simulation
- To visualise your simulation set-up and particles
- To produce histograms, tuples, etc. to be further analysed



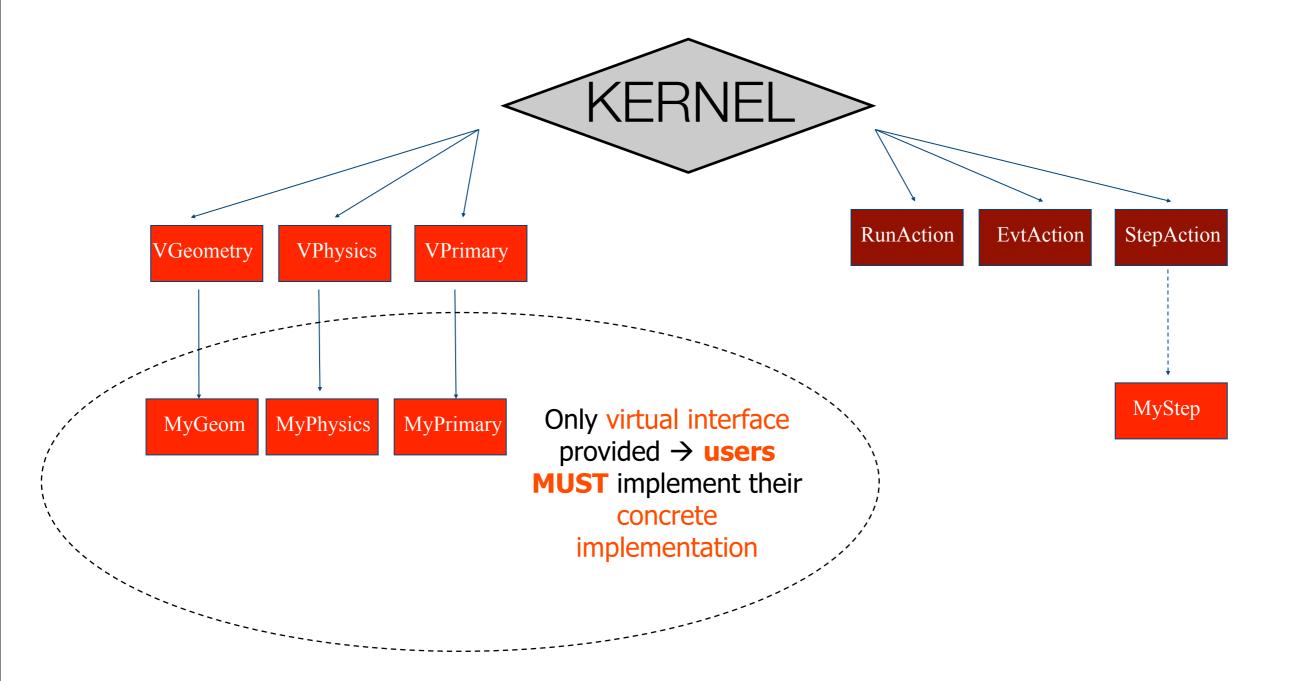
### Geant4 Files composing a Geant4 app

- Main() file
- Sources files (\*.cc)
  - usually included in the /src folder
- Header files (\*.hh)
  - usually included in the /include files
- Three couples of files are necessary (with the Main.cc ons)
  - The PrimarygeneratorAction (.cc and .hh)
  - The DetectorConstruction (.cc and .hh)
  - The PhysicsList (.cc and .hh)











- Geant4 does not provide a main() file
  - Geant4 is a toolkit!
  - The main() is part of the User application
- In his/her main(), the user must:
  - Construct the **G4RunManager**
  - Notify the **G4RunManager** the mandatory user classes derived from:

√ runManager -> SetUserInitialization
 (new MyApplicationDetectorConstruction)



- The user MAY define in his/her main():
  - Optional user action classes
  - VisManager, (G)UI session
- The User has also to take care of retrieve and save the relevant information from the simulation (Geant4 will not do that by default)

Do not forget to delete the G4RunManager at the end



```
// Construct the default run manager
G4RunManager* runManager = new G4RunManager;
```

```
// Set mandatory user initialization classes
MyDetectorConstruction* detector = new MyDetectorConstruction;
runManager -> SetUserInitialization(detector);
MyPhysicsList* physicsList = new MyPhysicsList;
runManager -> SetUserInitialization(myPhysicsList);
```

// Set mandatory user action classes
runManager -> SetUserAction(new MyPrimaryGeneratorAction);

```
// Set optional user action classes
MyEventAction* eventAction = new MyEventAction();
runManager -> SetUserAction(eventAction);
MyRunAction* runAction = new MyRunAction();
runManager -> SetUserAction(runAction);
```



- Mandatory classes in any Geant4 User Application
  - G4VUserDetectorConstruction describes the experimental set-up
  - G4VUserPhysicsList selects the physics you want to activate
  - G4VUserPrimaryGeneratorAction generates primary events



- ACTION CLASSES (Invoked during the execution of the loop)
  - G4VUserPrimaryGeneratorAction Mandatory
  - G4UserRunAction Optional
  - G4UserEventAction Optional
  - G4UserTrackingAction Optional
  - G4UserSteppingAction Optional
- Objects of user action classes must be registered with G4RunManager

-runMnager -> SetUserAction(new MyEventActionClass);



### • G4UserRunAction

- BeginOfRunAction(const G4Run\*) // book histos
- EndOfRunAction(const G4Run\*) // store histos

### •G4UserEventAction

- BeginOfEventAction(const G4Event\*) //initialize event
- EndOfEventAction (const G4Event\*) // analyze event

### G4UserTrackingAction

//decide to store/not store a given track

- PreUserTrackingAction(const G4Track\*)
- PostUserTrackingAction(const G4Track\*)



## Geant4 Methods of User classes - continue

### •G4UserSteppingAction

- UserSteppingAction (const G4Step\*) //kill, suspend, pospone the track, draw the step, ...

### G4UserStackingAction

-PrepareNewEvent()

//reset priority control

- ClassifyNewTrack (const G4Track\*) // Invoked when a new track is registered (e.g. kill, pospone)
- NewStage()

// Invoked when the Urgent stack becomes empty (re-classify, abort event)



- Geant4 doesn't have any default particles or processes
- Derive your own concrete class from the G4VUserPhysicsList abstract base class
  - Define all necessary particles
  - Define all necessary processes and assign them to proper particles
  - Define particles production threshold (in terms of range)

### Methods of G4VUserPhysicsList:

- ContructParticles()
- ConstructProcesses()
- SetCuts()

Must be implemented by the user in his/her concrete class



•In your main(), taking into account your computer environment, instantiate a G4UISession provided by Geant4 and invoke its SessionStart() method:

- mysession -> SessionStart();

- Geant4 provides:
  - G4Ulterminal;
  - csh or tcsh like shell
  - G4UIBatch
  - Bach job with macro files



•In your main(), taking into account your computer environment, instantiate a G4VisExecutive and invoke its Initialize() method

•Geant4 provides interfaces to various graphics drivers:

- Dawn
- Wired
- RayTracer
- OpenGL
- OpenInventor
- VRML
- ....



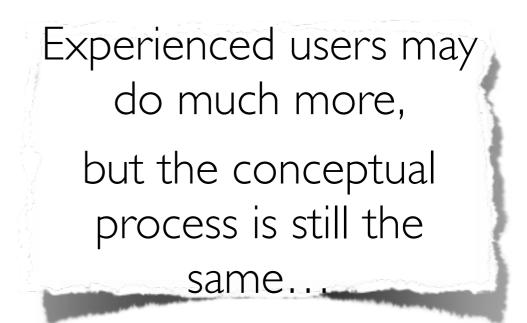
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- Create your derived mandatory user classes
  - MyDetectorConstruction
  - MyPhysicsList
  - MyPrimaryGeneratorAction
- Create optional derived user action classes
  - MyUserRunAction, MyUserEventAction
- Create your main() file
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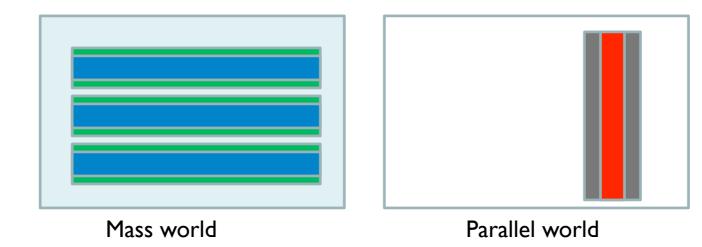


# Recent and ongoing developments





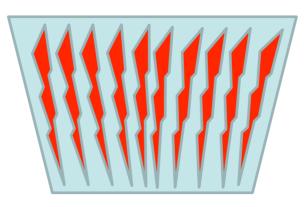
- Multi-threaded prototype (9.5 version)
- Layered mass geometries in parallel word (since 8.2 version)
- Parallel geometry may be stacked on top of mass geometry or other parallel word geometry, allowing a user to define more than one word with materials (and region/cuts)





- A parallel word can be associated to a limited number of particles
  - You may define geometries of different level of details for different particle types
  - Example: a sampling calorimeter: the mass word define only the crude geometry with averaged material, while a parallel word contains the detailed geometry. The materials in the detailed parallel word are associated with all particle except e+, e- and gamma
    - ✓e+, e- and gamma do not see volume boundaries defined in the parallel word (i.e. steps won't be limited)

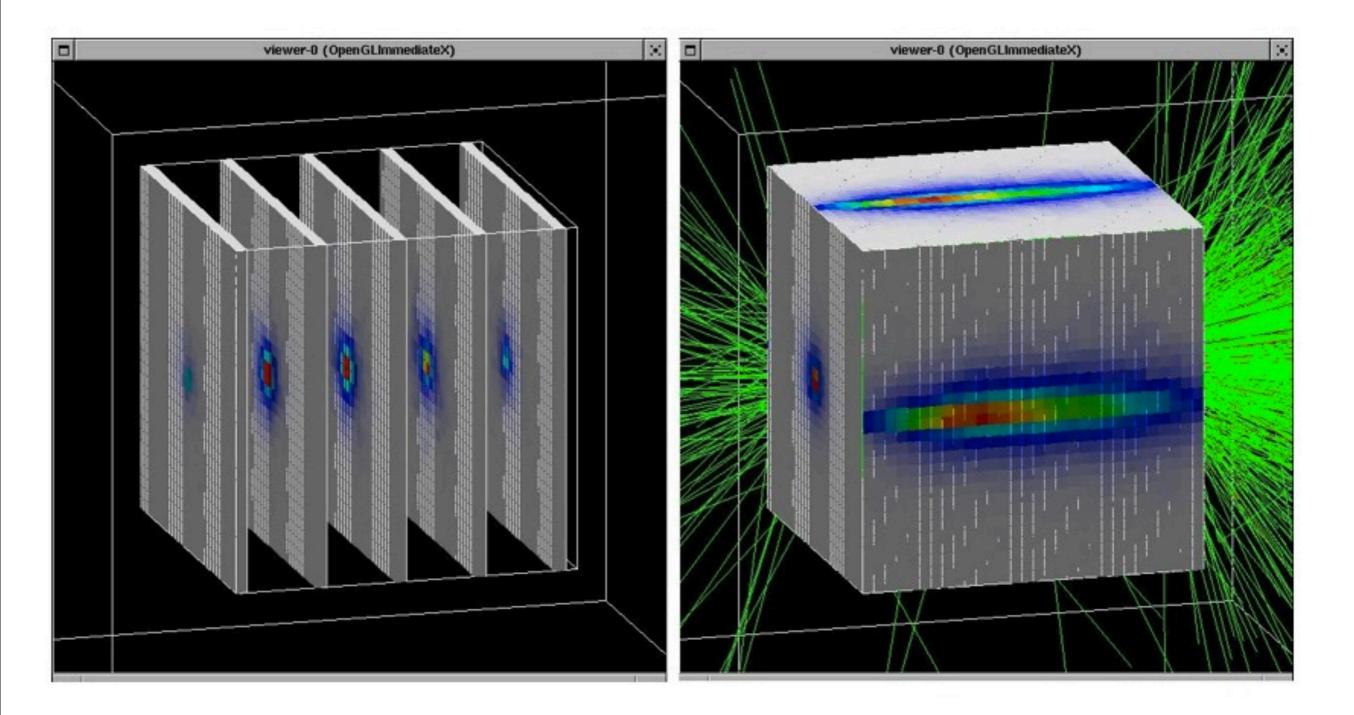




Geometry seen by e+, e-,  $\gamma$  Geometry seen by other particles



## Scoring volumes: Geant4 an example of parallel word





- Removal of ordering nembers in physics list
  - Automatic consistency check
  - Easiness of combining physics builder
- Unifying error/warning message format
- Restructuring and polishing examples
- cmake and CLHEP
  - New installation procedure

A much more straightforward installation procedure

- A subset of CLHEP is included



## Collaboration-wide developments 2012-2013

- Performance improvments
- Review implementations of physics and transportation
  - A lot of code implemented without code performance
- Event bias options
  - Review, unify and enrich existing biasing options
  - Review interface
- Geant4-MT
  - Will process multiple events simultaneously
  - G4MT v9.6 at the end of 2012 or early 2013 will be the final prototype release
  - In 2013 we will merge G4MT into the main development repository



Collaboration-wide developments 2012-2013

- Version 9.6 will be released at the end of this year
- In November 2013 we'll produce the last v9 release
- The next Geant4 version X (name t.b.c)
  - Multi-thread capable
  - Minimal migration cost
  - (First) beta release in June 2013



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**Geant 4** 

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### **Geant4 Software Download**

#### Geant4 9.5

released 2 December 2011

The Geant4 source code is freely available. See the licence conditions.

Please read the Release Notes before downloading or using this release.

#### Source files

Please choose the archive best suited to your system and archiving tool:



GNU or Linux tar format, compressed using gzip (27Mbytes, 28458437 bytes). After downloading, gunzip, then unpack using GNU tar. Download I User Forum I Gallery

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8.3).

Geant4-MT prototype.

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ZIP format ( 39Mbytes, 40826089 bytes ). After downloading, unpack using e.g. WinZip.

### Data files (\*)

For specific, optional physics processes some of the following files are required. The file format is compatible with Unix, GNU, and Windows utilities.

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#### **Pre-compiled Libraries**

These are compiled with Geant4 default settings and optimization turned on. Please choose according to your system/compiler:



compiled using gcc 4.1.2 on Scientific Linux CERN 5 (SLC5, based on Redhat Linux Enterprise 5), 64 bits - ( 32Mbytes, 33212295 bytes )

Download) compiled using gcc 4.2.1 on Mac (MacOSX 10.7), 64 bits - ( 31Mbytes, 32039379 bytes )



Download and installation tips Geant4 for the 9.5 version

- You can download the compiled libraries of Geant4 but the compilation in your computer is strongly suggested
- **Download the source file** from the Geant4 web site
- Two way to proceed:
  - Using cmake via terminal
  - Using the GUI version of cmake



- **cmake** version greater than 2.8.3
- Locate the source folder
   Ex: /home/Username/geant4-09-05
- Create the **build folder** Ex: /home/Username/geant4-09-05-build
- Create the install folder
   Ex: /home/Username/geant4-09-05-install
- cmake -DCMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX=/home/Username/geant4-09-05-install/
- Define and/or activate the additional features/package you require using the same cmake interface
- make -jN
- make install



## Geant4 installation

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- If GEANT4\_INSTALL\_DATA is ON the additional external data libraries are automatically downloaded
- If GEANT4\_INSTALL\_EXAMPLES is ON Examples are installed
- If GEANT4\_USE\_SYSTEM\_CLHEP is ON external CLHEP are searched
- See documentation for details for the complete variables list and explanation



## Geant4 installation

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### A friendly way to do the same things



## If everything is ok install tree should appear so structured

```
+- CMAKE INSTALL PREFIX
   +- bin/
     +- geant4-config
                         (UNIX ONLY)
     +- geant4.csh
                         (UNIX ONLY)
     +- geant4.sh
                         (UNIX ONLY)
     +- G4global.dll (WINDOWS ONLY)
     +- ...
   +- include/
     +- Geant4/
        +- G4global.hh
        +- ...
         +- CLHEP/
                         (WITH INTERNAL CLHEP ONLY)
         +- tools/
   +- lib/
                         (MAY BE lib64 on LINUX)
     +- libG4global.so (AND/OR .a, OR G4Global.lib ON WINDOWS)
     +- ...
     +- Geant4-9.5.0/
        +- Geant4Config.cmake
        +- Geant4ConfigVersion.cmake
         +- Geant4LibraryDepends.cmake
         +- Geant4LibraryDepends-Release.cmake
         +- UseGeant4.cmake
                        (OR Darwin-g++ UNIX ONLY SOFTLINK -> ..)
         +- Linux-g++
   +- share
     +- Geant4-9.5.0
         +- data/
                         (IF GEANT4 INSTALL DATA WAS SET)
         +- geant4make/
            +- geant4make.csh
            +- geant4make.sh
            +- config/
```



- How to **compile a User application**:
  - -source CMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX/share/ geant4make/geant4make.(c)sh
- Where **data** and **examples** are located
  - data libraries CMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX/share/Geant4Version/ data
  - examples CMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX/share/Geant4Version/ examples