

Geant4 Documents and Examples

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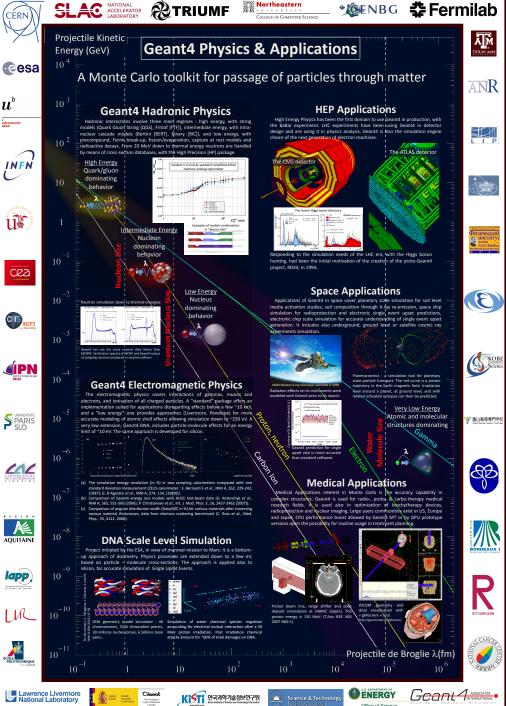






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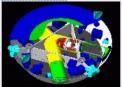
Geant4 is a toolkit for the simulation of the passage of particles through matter. Its areas of application include high energy, nuclear and accelerator physics, as well as studies in medical and space science. The three main reference papers for Geant4 are published in Nuclear Instruments and Methods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

Applications



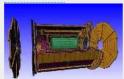
A sampling of applications, technology transfer and other uses of Geant4

User Support



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
information

News

2021-03-10

2021 planned developments.

2021-02-05

Patch-01 to release 10.7 is available from the Download area.

2020-11-06

Patch-03 to release 10.6 is available from the Download archive area.

Events

[Virtual] Geant4 Beginners Course @ CERN☐ , CERN (Geneva), 25-31 May 2021.

[Virtual] 26th Geant4 Collaboration Meeting, **20-24** September 2021.

Past events





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User's guides



- Introduction to Geant4
 - Some blah-blah if you dare to read...
- Installation guide
 - Instruction of installing Geant4 and related libraries
 - To be covered in the next talk
- Application Developers Guide
 - Introduces new users to Geant4 toolkit
 - Describes how to set up and run a simulation application
 - Intended as an overview of the toolkit, not an exhaustive treatment
- Toolkit Developers Guide
 - Guide for users who want to extend the functionality of Geant4
 - E.g. adding new solids, adding new physics models, etc.
- Physics Reference Manual
 - Serves as a reference for the theoretical formulation, model or parameterization of the physics interactions included in Geant4
- Physics List Guide
 - Describes "pre-packaged" physics lists in the distribution



Examples



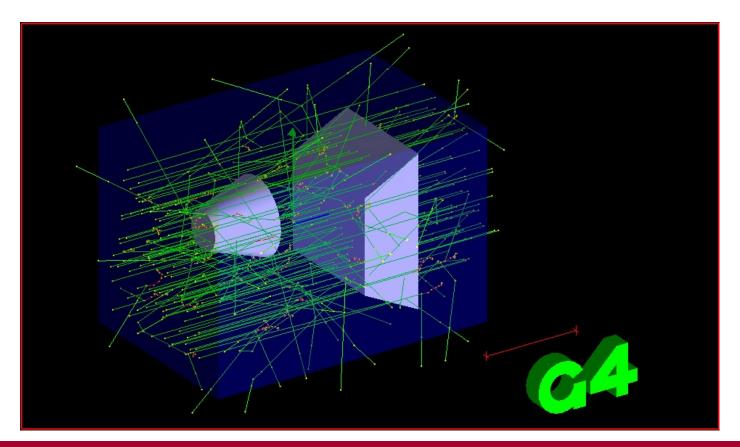
- Extensive set of examples distributed with the toolkit
- Varying complexity:
 - Basic: complete applications demonstrating simple features of toolkit good for tutorials
 - Extended: demonstrating specific features of Geant4 and more complex use cases –
 some require external (non-Geant4 libraries)
 - Advanced: complex, "real life" applications with complex geometries and physics focused on specific user communities
- Documentation provided in README files in each example, and web pages



Basic examples



- B1
 - A few simple solids and simple placements
 - Total dose scoring in user-selected volume
 - User action classes





Basic examples



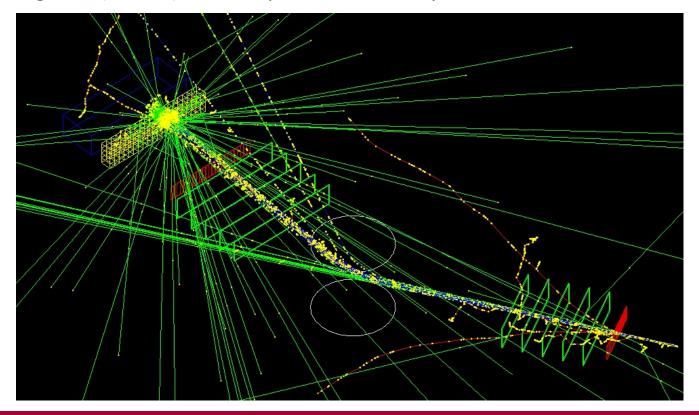
- B2
 - Magnetic field, parameterized placements
 - Scoring in tracker using sensitive detector and hits
 - Geant4 physics list (FTFP_BERT) with step limiter
- B3 (schematic PET system)
 - Simple placements with rotations
 - Scoring within crystals using Geant4 scorers
 - radioactive source, modular physics list using builders
- B4
 - geometry with replicas
 - multiple scoring methods
 - histograms (1D) and n-tuples saved in output file



Basic examples



- B5 (double-arm spectrometer)
 - More complex geometry with rotation, replicas, parameterization
 - Scoring in multiple volumes with sensitive detector and hits
 - Defining local UI commands
 - Histograms (1D, 2D) and n-tuples saved in output file





Extended examples



- demonstrating specific features of Geant4 and more complex use cases
 - some require external (non-Geant4 libraries)
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 - eventgenerator/
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- visualization/



Some extended example sub-categories



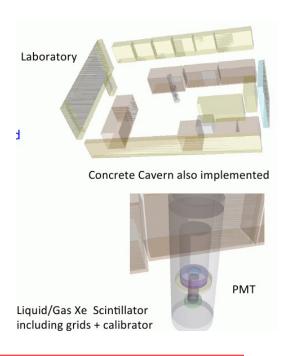
- Analysis histogramming using G4tools
- Biasing event biasing and reverse Monte Carlo
- Electromagnetic many EM physics simulations with histogramming (some also used as part of Geant4 testing)
- Geometry Variety of solid shapes, geometry descriptions
- Hadronic same as EM but with hadronic models
- Medical tools for medical applications
- Optical optical photon generation and transport
- Parallel examples of parallel computing
- Persistency GDML parser
- Run and event run and event control, sensitive detector, command-based scorer
- Visualization specific visualization features and graphics customizations

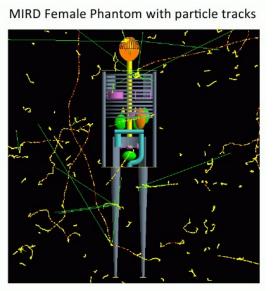


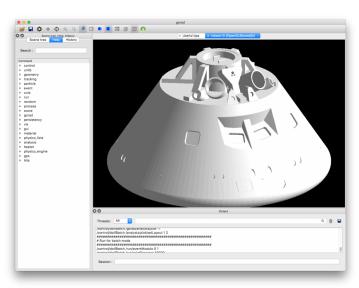
Advanced examples



- Complex, "real life" applications with complex geometries and physics focused on specific user communities
- 27 examples
 - https://geant4.web.cern.ch/collaboration/working_groups/advanced_examples







Underground physics

Human phantom

Gorad





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first released 4 December 2020 (patch-01, released 5 February 2021)

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

Please read the Release Notes before downloading or using this release. The patch below contains bug fixes to release 10.7, we suggest you to download and apply the latest patch for release 10.7 (see the additional notes for patch-01 , or download the complete source with the patch applied; in any case, it is required to apply a full rebuild of the libraries.

Source files

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Download	GNU or Linux tar format, compressed using gzip (34.5Mb, 36217226 bytes) After downloading, unpack using GNU tar.
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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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Download	G4EMLOW7.13, data files for low energy electromagnetic processes – version 7.13 (284.8Mb, 298636910 bytes)
Download	G4PhotonEvaporation5.7, data files for photon evaporation – version 5.7 (9.6Mb, 10089240 bytes)
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west and the	G4PARTICLEXS3.1.1. data files for evaluated particle cross-sections on natural composition of elements - version 3.1.1 (8.2Mb, 8613102

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- Previous Releases of Geant4 (since release 9.6).
- LXR source code browser
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LXR code browser





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geant4/	Browse the source code tree.
File Name Search	Find Search for files by name (case sensitive).
Full-Text Search	Find Search through all the text.
Identifier Search	Find a class, method, variable, etc.

Hi,

This is an interactive viewing and searching facility for the Geant4 source code.

It offers:

Source-tree browsing and file name search to easily find source files and navigate through the source directorieis.

Full-text indexing for fast retrieval of source files containing a given word or pattern.

Identifier cross-reference for fully hyperlinked source code. The names of classes, methods, and data can be clicked on to find the source files where they are defined and used.

The full-text indexing and retrieval are implemented using Glimpse, so all the capabilities of

Glimpse are available. Please see <u>Glimpse document</u> for details. Note that glimpse syntax is available for text and identifier searches. For file name search, please use regular expression.

Note

All source files are rendered into HTML. Do not attempt to download the Geant4 source code from this site!

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326 void G4RunManager::BeamOn(G4int n event, const char* macroFile, G4int n select)
328
    if(n event <= 0)
329
330
        fakeRun = true;
331
332
    else
333
334
        fakeRun = false;
335
336
      G4bool cond = ConfirmBeamOnCondition();
337
      if (cond)
338
339
        numberOfEventToBeProcessed = n event;
340
        numberOfEventProcessed
341
        ConstructScoringWorlds();
342
        RunInitialization();
343
        DoEventLoop(n event, macroFile, n select);
344
        RunTermination();
345
346
     fakeRun = false;
347 }
348
349 G4bool G4RunManager::ConfirmBeamOnCondition()
350 {
351
     G4StateManager* stateManager = G4StateManager::GetStateManager();
352
353
      G4ApplicationState currentState = stateManager->GetCurrentState();
354
     if(currentState != G4State PreInit && currentState != G4State Idle)
355
356
        G4cerr << "Illegal application state - BeamOn() ignored." << G4endl;</pre>
357
        return false;
358
     }
359
     if(!initializedAtLeastOnce)
360
361
362
        G4cerr << " Geant4 kernel should be initialized" << G4endl;
363
        G4cerr << "before the first BeamOn(). - BeamOn ignored." << G4endl;
364
        return false;
365
366
367
     if(!geometryInitialized | !physicsInitialized)
368
369
        if(verboseLevel > 0)
370
371
          G4cout << "Start re-initialization because " << G4endl;
372
          if(!geometryInitialized)
373
            G4cout << " Geometry" << G4endl;
374
          if(!physicsInitialized)
375
            G4cout << " Physics processes" << G4endl;
376
          G4cout << "has been modified since last Run." << G4endl;
377
378
        Initialize();
379
380
      return true;
381 }
382
383 void G4RunManager::RunInitialization()
384 {
385
     if(!(kernel->RunInitialization(fakeRun)))
386
        return;
387
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388 runAborted

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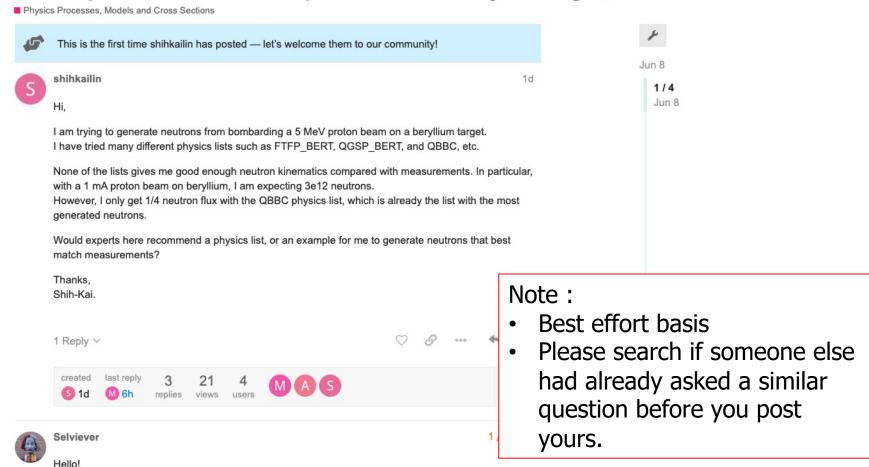
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Neutron production from a 5 MeV proton beam on a beryllium target 🎤



May be you will find this review of physics lists helpful:

https://geant4.web.cern.ch/node/155

Pay special attention to lists with the "_HP" at the end, which indicates using a high precision neutron package.

Note: physics lists with _HP consume a lot more CP-time. For example, in my special case one event with QGSP_BERT generated approximately ten times faster then with QGSP_BERT_HP



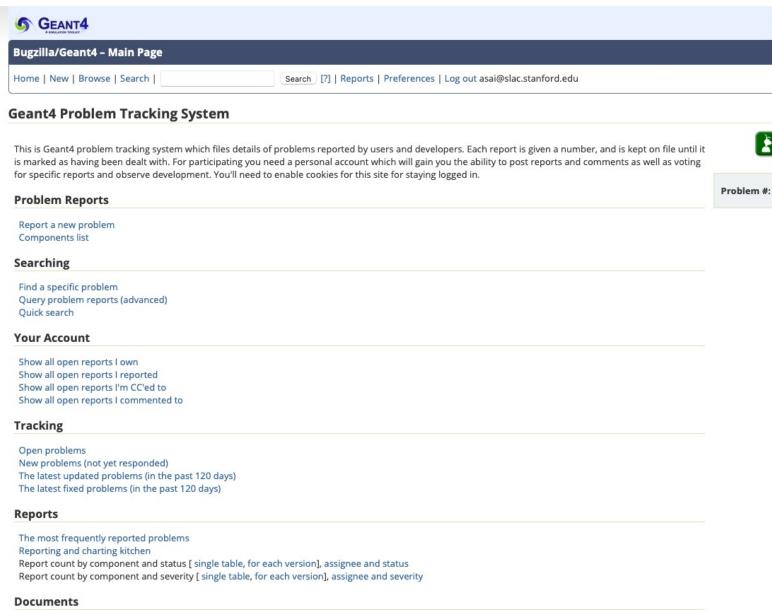


Bugzilla – bug report and tracker



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2368	Geant4	run	asai@slac.stanford.edu	ASSI		Issue with Reproducibility	Tue 09:58
2373	Geant4	persiste	Witold.Pokorski@cern.ch	NEW		the gdml file that's dumped by the G4GDMLParser is not a valid	2021-06-02
2372	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	NEW		Scintillation process is applied only on charged particles.	2021-05-27
2367	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI		Beta-ray energy spectrum shows stepping shape.	2021-05-23
2369	Geant4	geometry	Pedro.Arce@cern.ch	NEW		#2 G4PhantomParameterisation still leads to many killed particles, which produces erroneous results.	2021-05-17
2329	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Inconsistency between electron energy loss formula in PhysicsReferenceManual and G4 code	2021-05-12
2354	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	NEW		segmentation fault caused when processes are disabled via the user interface.	2021-05-11
2338	Examples	undergro	alexander.howard@cern.ch	ASSI		executable crashes when running included macros; corrupt Root files	2021-05-10
2280	Geant4	geometry	John.Apostolakis@cern.ch	ASSI		Inconsistent definition of magnetic field for backward error propagation	2021-05-10
2360	Geant4	processe	Alberto.Ribon@cern.ch	ASSI		Strange proton energy distributions after a target in geant4 >= 10.5	2021-05-10
2365	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI		Improve the branch ratio consistency in RDM: use the enum instead of number	2021-05-10
2300	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI		Incorrect output energy using LEND	2021-05-08
2366	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		No transmission asymmetries when using multi-threading mode	2021-05-08
2314	Geant4	geometry	Pedro.Arce@cern.ch	ASSI		G4RegularNavigation is broken	2021-04-20
2352	Geant4	processe	emilio.mendoza@ciemat.es	ASSI		Gamma Spectrum for Neutron Capture on Gd	2021-04-16
2353	Geant4	physics_	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Aborted Events with some EM Options	2021-04-13
2355	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Abnormal final state in ion-ion collision	2021-04-04
2279	Geant4	processe	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		problem with dexcitationIgnoreCut	2021-03-31
2331	Geant4	cmake	Ben.Morgan@warwick.ac.uk	ASSI		Add optional soversion	2021-03-30
2351	Document	Installa	alexander.howard@cern.ch	NEW		Removed from Homebrew	2021-03-30
2346	Geant4	material	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Mess in density effect data for hydrogen and helium	2021-03-23
2333	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI		Inelastic excitation energy is set to 0 when inelastic collision energy is below 20 keV	2021-03-11
2328	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI		Energy conservation law is not obeyed	2021-03-01
2335	Geant4	analysis	ivana@ipno.in2p3.fr	ASSI		AnalysisManager fails to find ntuples	2021-02-26
2339	Geant4	material	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Different material parameters in G4NistMaterialBuilder and G4DensityEffectData	2021-02-25
2334	Geant4	material	Vladimir.lvantchenko@cern.ch	ASSI		Code is inconsistent with Physics Reference Manual and original source (density correction)	2021-02-22
2332	Geant4	processe	dennis.herbert.wright@cern.ch	ASSI	\$. 777 87	incorrect data in G4NDL	2021-02-17

To sum up



- Installation, Application, Toolkit and Physics Guides take you from making your first Geant4 installation to developing your own application to developing advanced Geant4 features
- Three levels of examples: ranging from very easy to complex
 - basic getting started
 - extended exploring specific features of Geant4
 - advanced real world applications
- User support includes:
 - cross reference code browser
 - user forum is available for sharing ideas, asking questions
 - bug report and tracking

