Simulation Tools for the EIC Detector Developments

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EIC Schedule



sPHENIX Timeline

Similar size detector but less complex than an EIC detector



data taking

sPHENIX Timeline

According to the schedule the EIC detector is here, 3 years before construction start



1st sPHENIX workfest, 2011 in Boulder

Computing corner

A week later

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The first sPHENIX event display (of a pythia event)

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GEANT Simulations, what do we actually get?

GEANT: GEometry ANd Tracking

- Tools to describe a detector geometry
- Tracking of particles in electric and magnetic fields
- Propagation of particles through material (including interactions)
- Event Displays

That's the "easy" part



How to create a splashy PR event display*:

- 1. Make a detector from cylinders
- 2. Read in ASCII file from event generator
- 3. Run GEANT4
- 4. Spend the afternoon with cuts so the display looks reasonable

The real work starts after this Any tool has to be able to do more than just running GEANT4

*) displaying a complex "real world" detector can take hours

GEANT output: G4STEPs

GEANT propagates particles one step at a time. The step size is determined by the physics processes associated with the current particle or when a boundary between volumes is crossed



After each step the user stepping method is called with a pointer to the current volume which has access to the full information (energy loss, particle momentum at beginning and end of step, ...)

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GEANT stops here – from now on it is up to you and your tools

What do we need from common EIC simulation tools?



The daydreams of cat herders

We are currently a very loose community with many different ideas at very different design stages

Easily getting started with simple shapes – a cylinder gets you a long way in a collider detector

Modularity – rather use building blocks than some monolithic thing

Collaborative development but minimize interference between implementations

Support standalone detectors as well as large setups We need higher level tools

Digitization Clustering Tracking

From sad experience – set everything up as a chain. Going through writing and reading back files will make you miserable

Connecting simulations to the real world

GEANT4 employs physics to model the particle transport we have a choice of physics lists

For EM physics this well under control

For Hadronic interactions which are much more complex it is a work in progress

Version 10.02:

Hadronic showers have changed in two aspects: increased visible energy in not heavy absorber materials (e.g. Fe and Cu); narrower lateral showers in heavy absorber materials (e.g. W and Pb).

Version 10.03:

Based on tests performed on simplified calorimeters, hadronic showers are similar to those in version 10.1. Some differences - in particular wider hadronic showers and smoother behaviour as a function of the projectile energy, especially between 4 and 12 GeV - are due to the change of transition region between FTFP and BERT in the physics lists FTFP BERT and FTFP BERT HP (now set to 3-12GeV

Version 10.04: Hadronic showers remain very similar to those of version 10.3.

Version 10.05:

For the simulation of hadronic showers, both hadronic string models give higher energy response with respect to the previous versions, and consistently higher when compared with test-beam and collider data.

Version 10.06.p02 (latest version):

Changed transition region between hadronic string and intra-nuclear cascade models: now it is [3, 6] GeV consistently for all particle types (nucleons, pions, kaons, hyperons, ions and gammas; for anti-baryons, instead, FTFP is still used for all energies) Increased energy response and more compact hadronic showers mostly in the projectile energy range between 5 and 20 GeV, mainly due to the change in transition energy between FTFP and BERT 13

Physics Lists – EM Showers in W

e- p=10GeV/c radial shower size in W



Comparison between physics lists in GEANT4 9.5 and 10.0 Predictions agree with each other between physics lists and versions No surprise for the physics lists, they tend to only differ in the hadronic physics

LHEP was a parametrization, dropped from GEANT4 version 10.0 on

Physics Lists – Hadronic Showers in W

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High Precision Neutron (HP) physics needed for accurate description LHEP was a parametrization, dropped from GEANT4 version 10.0 on

Energy Conservation/Recovery



pi- p=10GeV/c total energy conservation in W

LHEP

FTFP_BERT G4v10

QGSP_BERT_HP G4v10

FTFP_BERT

FTFP_BERT_HP G4v10

Combining data reconstruction and simulations



Many more EIC related test beam campaigns

RCDAQ Control	
mlpvm2	
Running for 9s	
Run:	1377
Events:	419
Volume:	0.179543
File: rcdaq-00001377-0000.evt	
Close	
End	
CONTROL RCDAQ Status	
RCDAQ Status	
mlpvm2	
Running for 8 s	
Run: 1375	
Events: 374	
Volume: 0.160316 MB	
File: rcdaq-00001375-0000.evt	
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What do we need from common EIC simulation tools?



Raw data reconstruction by extension common geometry

Since this looks empty otherwise some other important considerations which I left out previously:

Reproducibility – running twice achieving identical results (have your random number seeds under control) Geantinos for geometry verification (superior to muons) Easy import of purely GEANT4 based detectors

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Distribution

Containers are a solution for the problem to support many compilers and OS's guaranteeing identical outcomes. Can be run on the OSG as is as well as HPC





VM's on laptops do work for simple setups or fast eic-smear type simulations, but as soon as you do "real GEANT4 simulation runs" for detector designs running over 1000's (mio's) of events and have to deal with calorimeter showers that laptop approach reaches its limits quickly

Detector construction starts in 3 years



It is just too late to start creating tools from scratch for the EIC detector simulations if they should have any impact on the design

You will need a coherent GEANT4 simulation of the fully implemented detector you propose to build (two for two detectors) long before the construction starts



On the bright side

2046 Tower

each tower:

100 cm long

1/5 scintillator

30 layers

4/5 iron

10x10 cm² sampling

You do not start with this



and this: Panda style e-going EMcal



But this: h-going Hcal



and this: h-going EMcal

17350 Tower

each tower: 3x3 cm² sampling 17 cm long 60 layers 2/3 lead 1/3 scintillator



and this: ALICE maps staves

And many more

and this: All Silicon Vertex Tracker



and this: LANL FST



And not just the "easy" part



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It's All Coming Together

Integrated hybrid detector configurations are added to common simulation framework (Fun4All)

- TPC + Si disks + Si vertex
 - Including end cap material
- MPGD barrel + Si vertex
- Triple-GEM disks
 - Based on SBS GEMs
- All Si detector
- \circ $\;$ Ability to study various detector integrated configurations

Rey Cruz-Torres et al: UCB





