

Geant4 project

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Geant 4
 Geant4 is a toolkit for the simulation of the passage of particles through matter. It has been developed and maintained by a world-wide Collaboration of approximately 100 scientists.

Its application areas include high energy physics, astrophysics and nuclear physics experiments, medical, accelerator and space science studies.

GLAST Gamma-ray Large Area Space Telescope
<http://cern.ch/geant4>

Borexino at Gran Sasso Laboratory

ESA XMM X-ray telescope

CMS at LHC, CERN

BaBar at SLAC

High energy μ
 Courtesy of IS

Photon attenuation
 Low energy photons
 Courtesy of the Italian Nat. Inst. for Cancer Research

An abundant set of Physics Processes handle the diverse interactions of particles with matter across a wide energy range.

Neutrons
 Courtesy of EGS

Stopping α
 ab sorption
 nuclear deexcitation
 Geant4
 Exp. data

Geant4 exploits advanced Software Engineering techniques and Object Oriented technology to achieve transparency of physics implementation.

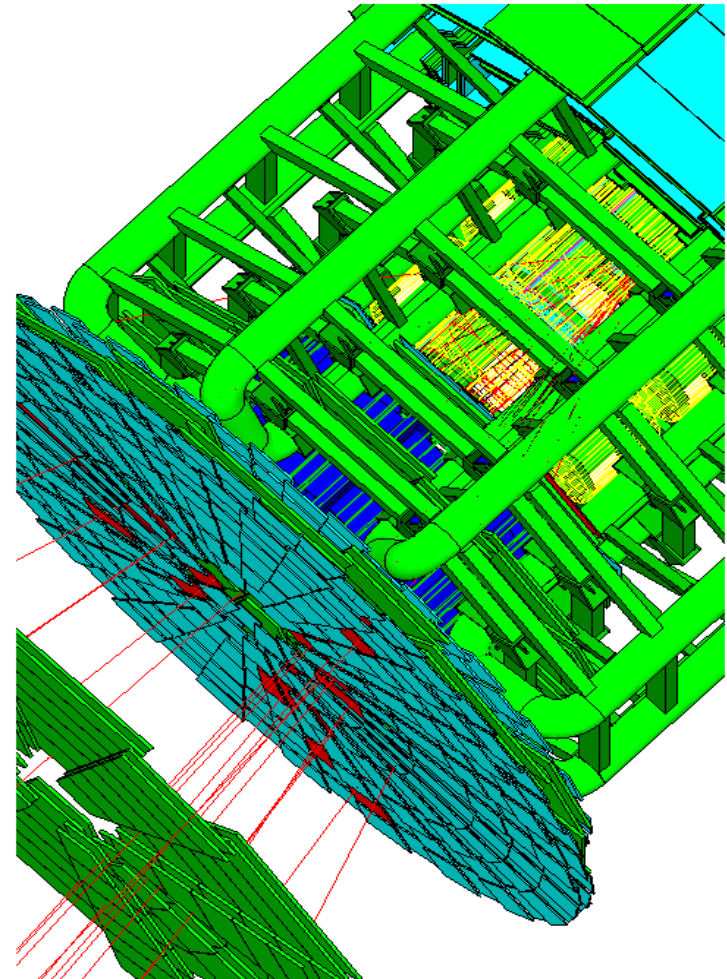
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What is Geant4?

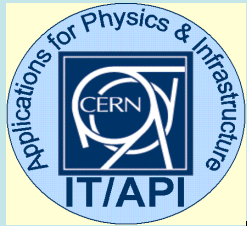
- Geant4 is the successor of GEANT 3, the world-standard toolkit for HEP detector simulation.
- Geant4 is one of the first successful attempt to re-design a major package of HEP software for the next generation of experiments using an Object-Oriented environment.
- Most of HEP experiments including all LHC experiments now rely on Geant4.
- A variety of requirements have also taken into account from heavy ion physics, CP violation physics, cosmic ray physics, astrophysics, space science and medical applications.



Geant4 – Its history

- Dec '94 - Project start
- Apr '97 - First alpha release
- Jul '98 - First beta release
- Dec '98 - First Geant4 public release - version 1.0
- ...
- Jun 29th, '07 - Geant4 version 9.0 release
- ...
- Dec 19th, '08 - Geant4 version 9.2 release
 - Sep 24th, '10 - Geant4 9.2-patch04 release
- Dec 18th, '09 - Geant4 version 9.3 release
 - Sep 24th, '10 - Geant4 9.3-patch02 release
- Dec 17th, '10 - Geant4 version 9.4 release ← **Current version**
- We currently provide one public releases every year.
 - Beta releases are also publicly available.

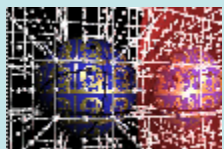
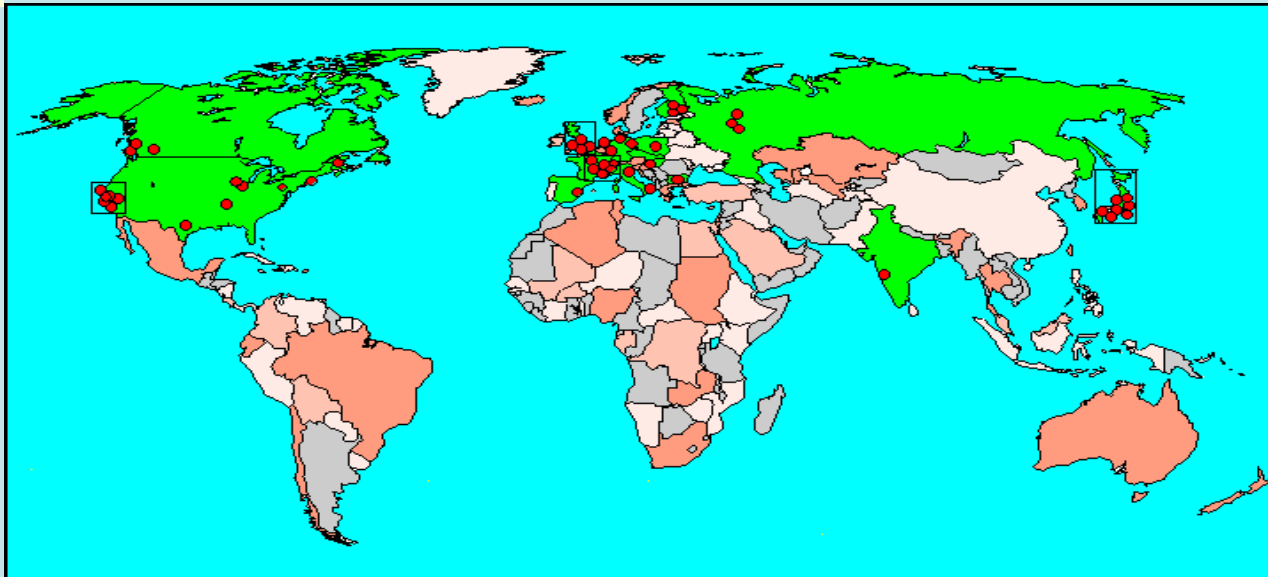
Geant4 Collaboration



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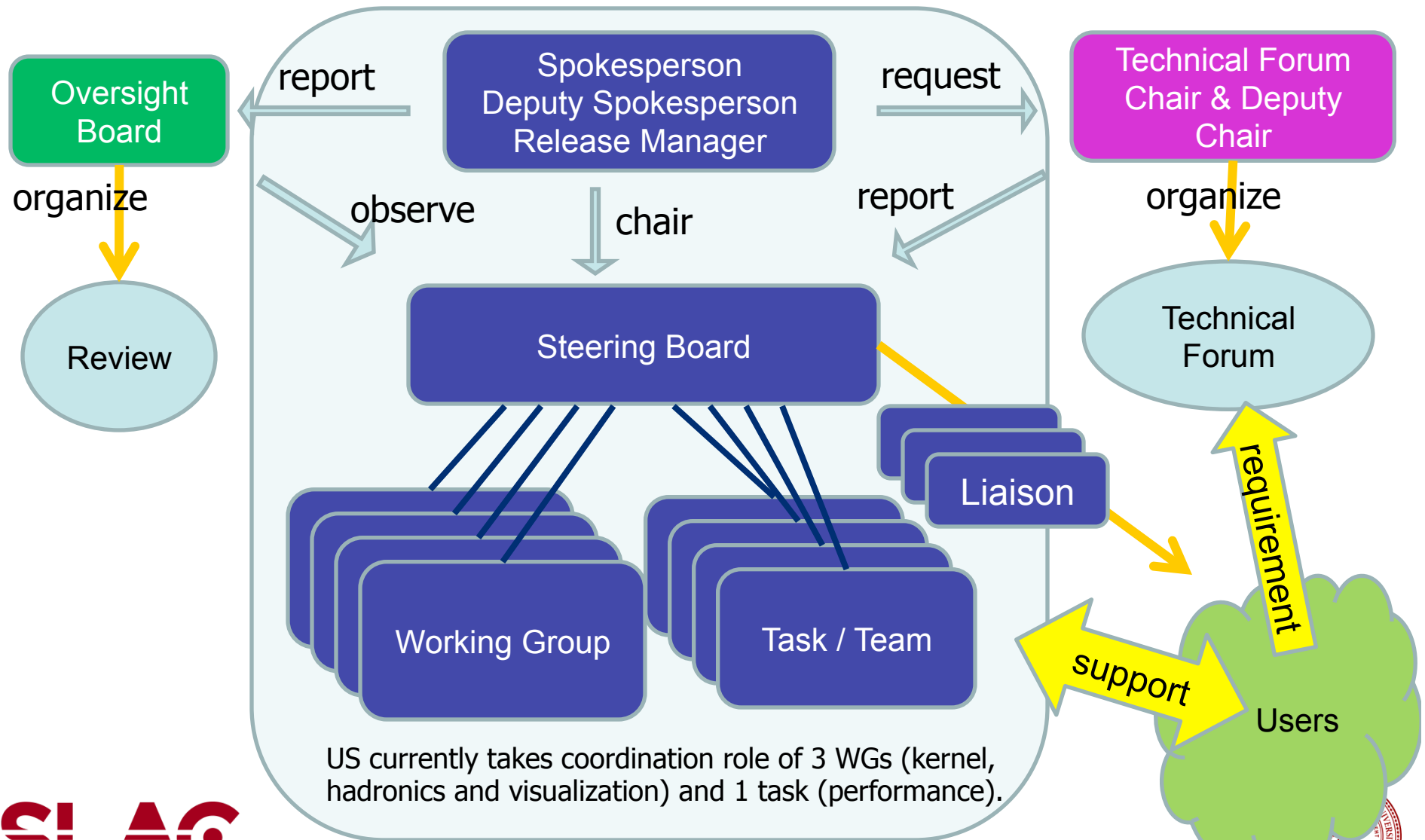
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Geant4 Collaboration

- The international Geant4 Collaboration develops and maintains Geant4 simulation toolkit. It also offers extensive user-supports.
- Geant4 Collaboration consists of 93 collaborators with 35 FTEs as of Oct.2010
 - 60% HEP-funded, 40% non-HEP funded
 - 17 US collaborators, 6.3 FTEs (11 collaborators, 4.0 FTEs OHEP funded)
- The collaboration is driven by the steering board and overseen by the oversight board.

Geant4 Collaboration structure



US currently takes coordination role of 3 WGs (kernel, hadronics and visualization) and 1 task (performance).

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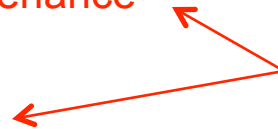
Geant4 - Issues

- Emerging needs of the LHC are the principal driver – they include:
 - Improving the precision and speed of hadronic shower modeling
 - Improving the precision and speed of electromagnetic modeling
 - Improving the precision, robustness and speed of transportation
 - Systematic validation, with input from existing sources plus LHC data, leading to usable estimates of precision
 - Efficient exploitation of multi-core (and perhaps later GPU) hardware
 - Ensuring maintainability for ~20 years
- Architectural revisions will be needed to address the multi-core and maintainability issues
- Estimating the likely return on effort investment for each area of need is difficult – plans and efforts should be reviewed annually

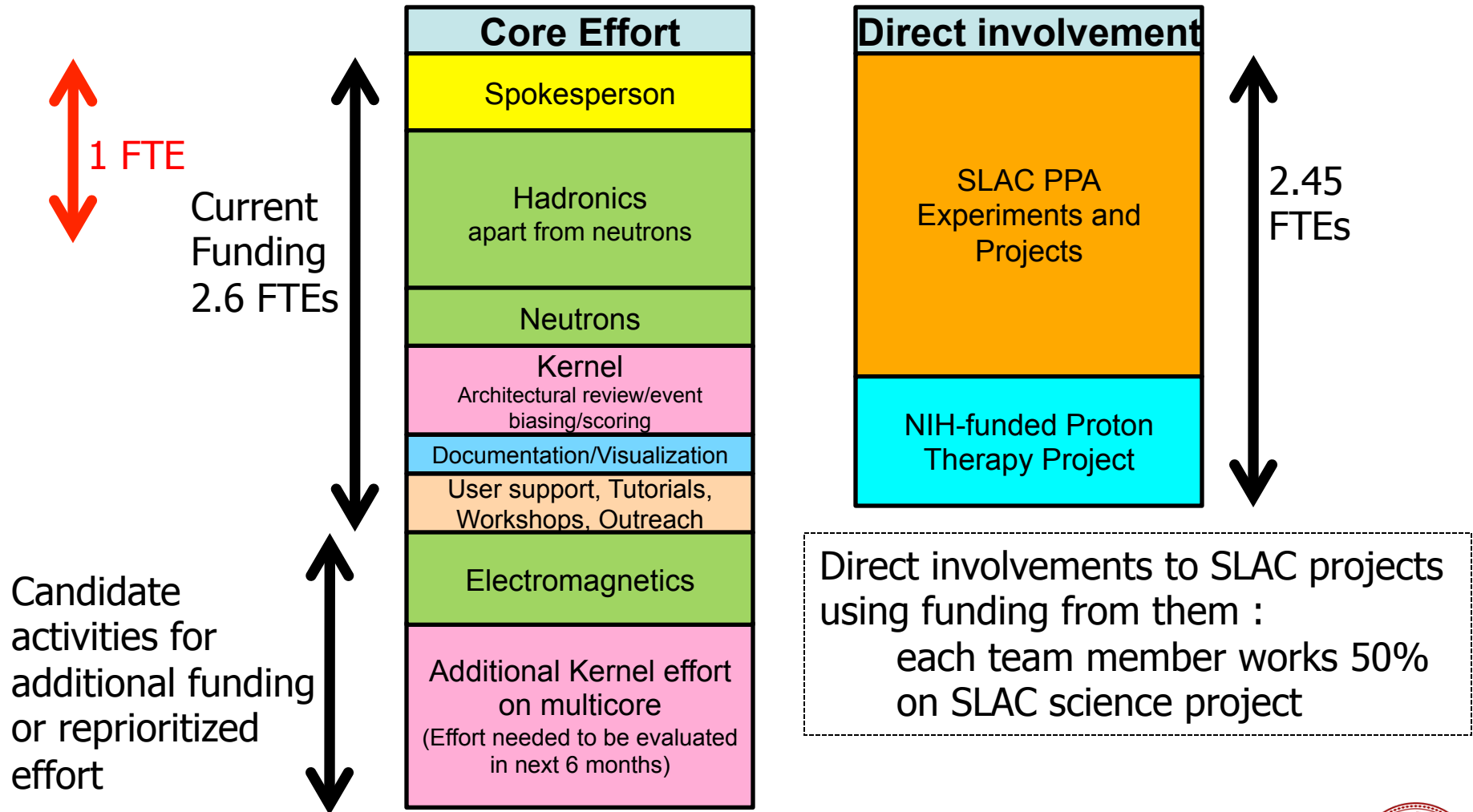
US Geant4 efforts

- BaBar experiment at SLAC is the pioneer experiment in HEP in use of Geant4.
 - Production started in 2000
- FGST (GLAST) is one of the earliest astrophysics experiments in use of Geant4.
 - Some design studies with Geant4 started in 1999
- There are now thousands of users in US in all of HENP, astrophysics, accelerator, shielding, space, medical, security, education and industry application areas.
- SLAC created its local Geant4 team in 2001.
 - FNAL Geant4 team was launched in 2004 (joined to the collaboration in 2007).
 - We now have Geant4 collaborators also in JLab, LLNL and Northeastern U.
- US Geant4 efforts consist of
 - Kernel development/maintenance
 - Hadronic/nuclear physics development/maintenance
 - Visualization development/maintenance
 - Physics validation (EM/Hadronics)
 - Computing performance improvements
 - General user support / outreach
 - Collaboration management

Collaborative efforts of
FNAL and SLAC



SLAC Geant4 Effort



Core Geant4 effort at SLAC

- Core Geant4 effort = Direct commitment to the activities of the Geant4 Collaboration
- Core Geant4 effort at SLAC
 - Includes the founding architect of Geant4
 - Includes the Spokesperson, leader of Hadronics, leader of Visualization
 - Maintains expertise in kernel architecture, hadronic physics, nuclear physics, and visualization
 - Supports use of Geant4 by SLAC projects
 - General day-to-day supports
 - HEP projects such as ATLAS, SuperCDMS, EXO, ILC, astrophysics, etc. (BaBar, FGST supports fading out)
 - Non-HEP projects such as LCLS, radiation shielding for LCLS, etc.
 - Leads support for US HEP and outreach to US space, medicine, security and industry
 - Regular and popular tutorial courses on site and other locations

Goals of SLAC Geant4 efforts

- Tactical:
 - Achieve and maintain current leading roles in the Geant4 Collaboration.
 - Lead the effort to plan and execute architectural changes to Geant4 to ensure efficiency on new computing architectures and longevity on and beyond LHC.
 - Expand the SLAC role into Geant4 Electromagnetic simulation to ensure that this code meets US needs for precision, reliability and performance.
 - Take stewardship of the effort to quantify the validity of Geant4 by systematic comparison with relevant existing and emerging experimental data.
- Strategic
 - Leverage collaboration with HEP colleagues and with other disciplines, both national and international, to maximize the value of Geant4 to US science and commerce.
- Critical outcome
 - Provide the simulation toolkit essential to the world and to US HEP program that is required in maximizing the precision of physics measurements and sensitivity to new physics.

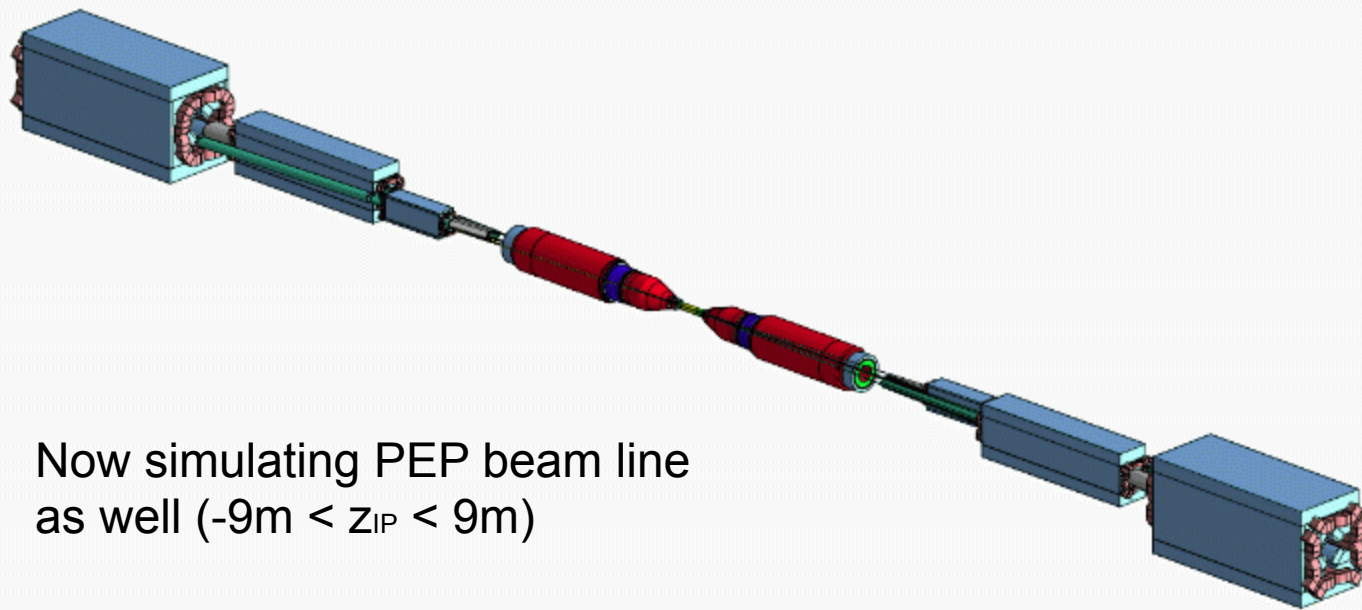
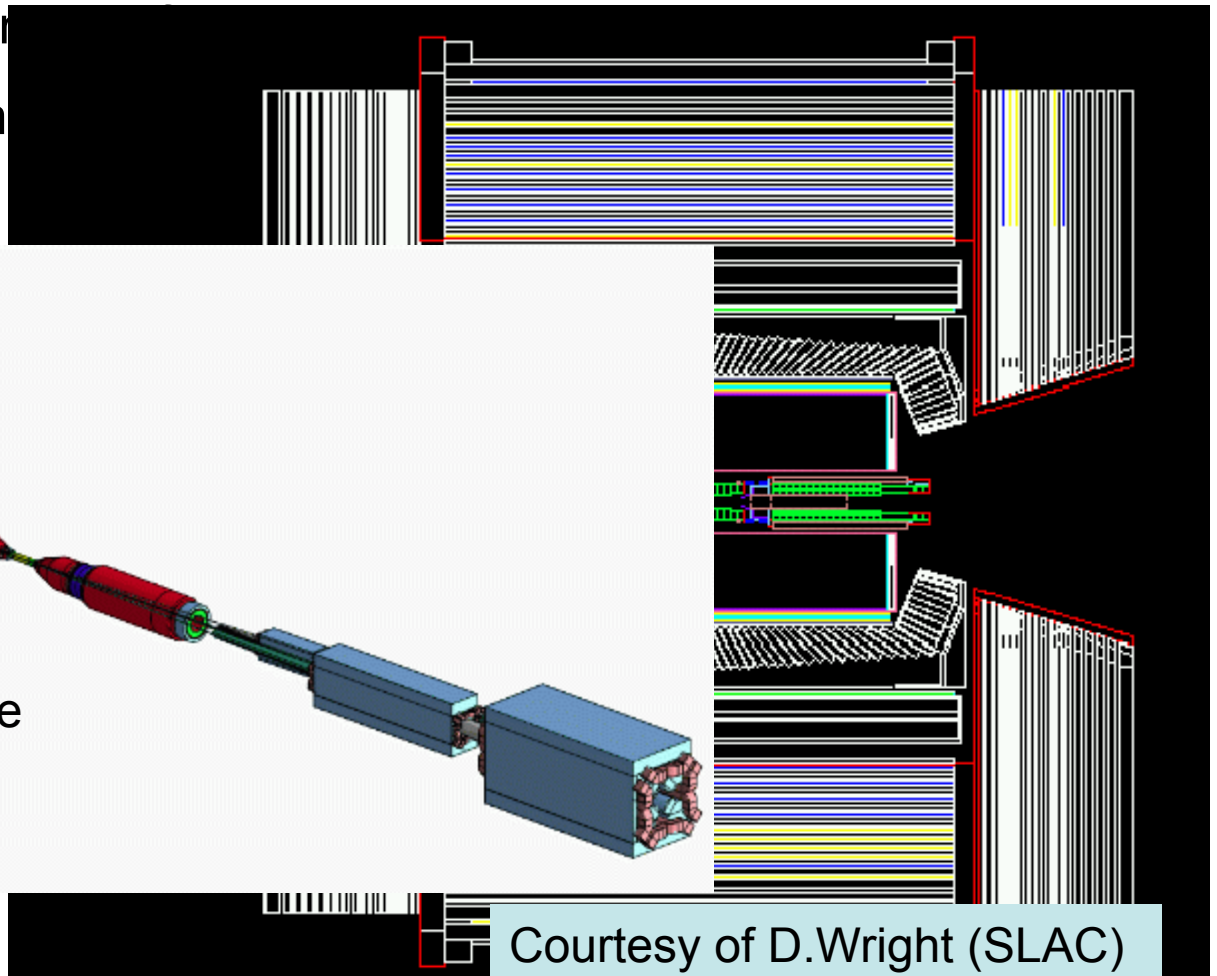
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Visualisation	Joseph Perl	John Allison

BaBar

- ~~BaBar at SLAC is the pioneer experiment in HEP in use of~~
Geant4
 - Started in 2000
 - Simulated $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{10}$ events
 - Produced at 20 sites in



Now simulating PEP beam line
as well ($-9\text{m} < z_{IP} < 9\text{m}$)

Geant4 at the LHC Today

Now Geant4 has become the standard simulation for ATLAS, LHCb, and CMS

	ATLAS	CMS	LHCb
Transition to Geant4 (G3 stopped)	DC02 '04	Nov '03	May '04
Produced # of events in DC	12 M	40 M	80 M
CPU time (sec)/ event (2.8 Ghz)	600 (pp→Z→ee) 700 (SUSY)	200 (QCD jets) 60 (min bias)	22-65
Memory used	400 Mb	220 Mb	220 Mb
# of placed volumes	5 M	1.2 M	18 M



No memory leaks!!

⇒ Observations:

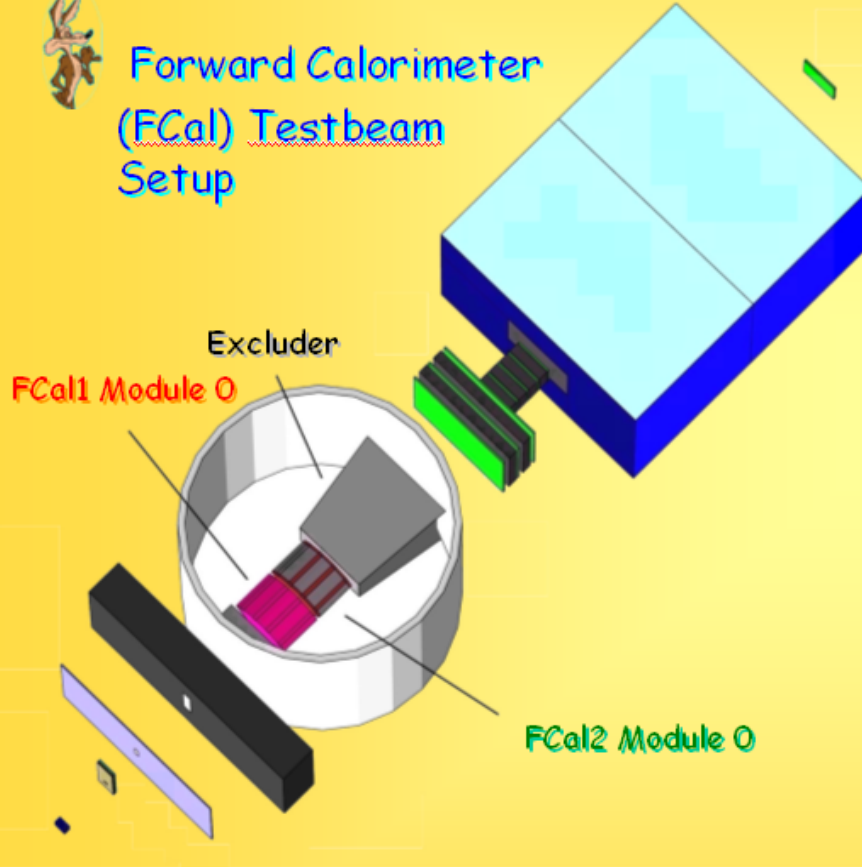
- Geant4 in production is running now very stable/very few problems ($\sim 10^{-5}$)
- Transition to Geant4 has been a very smooth process for all experiments



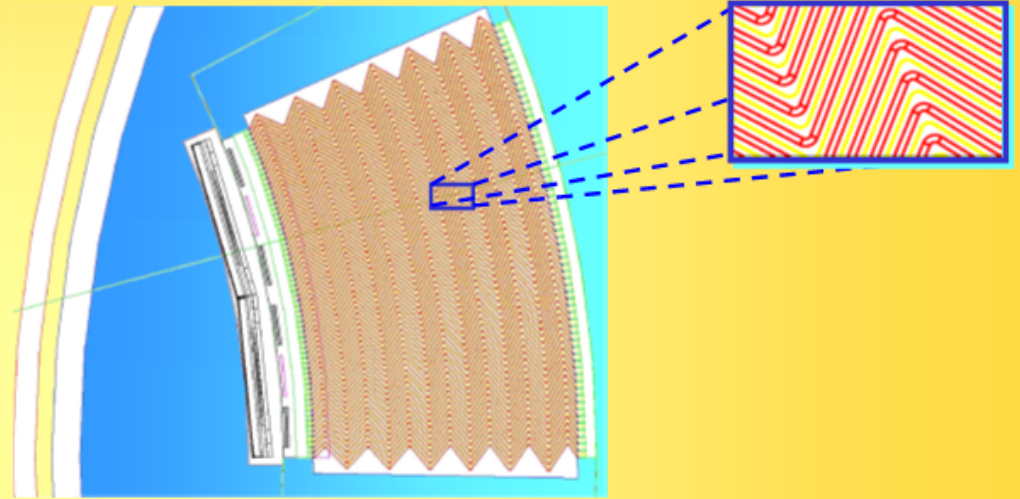
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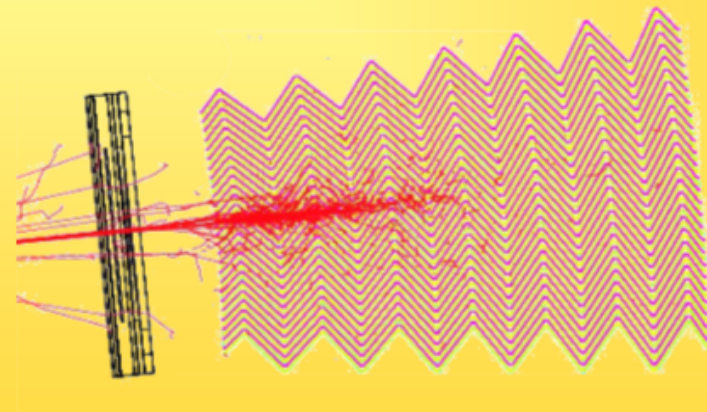
Forward Calorimeter
(FCal) Testbeam
Setup



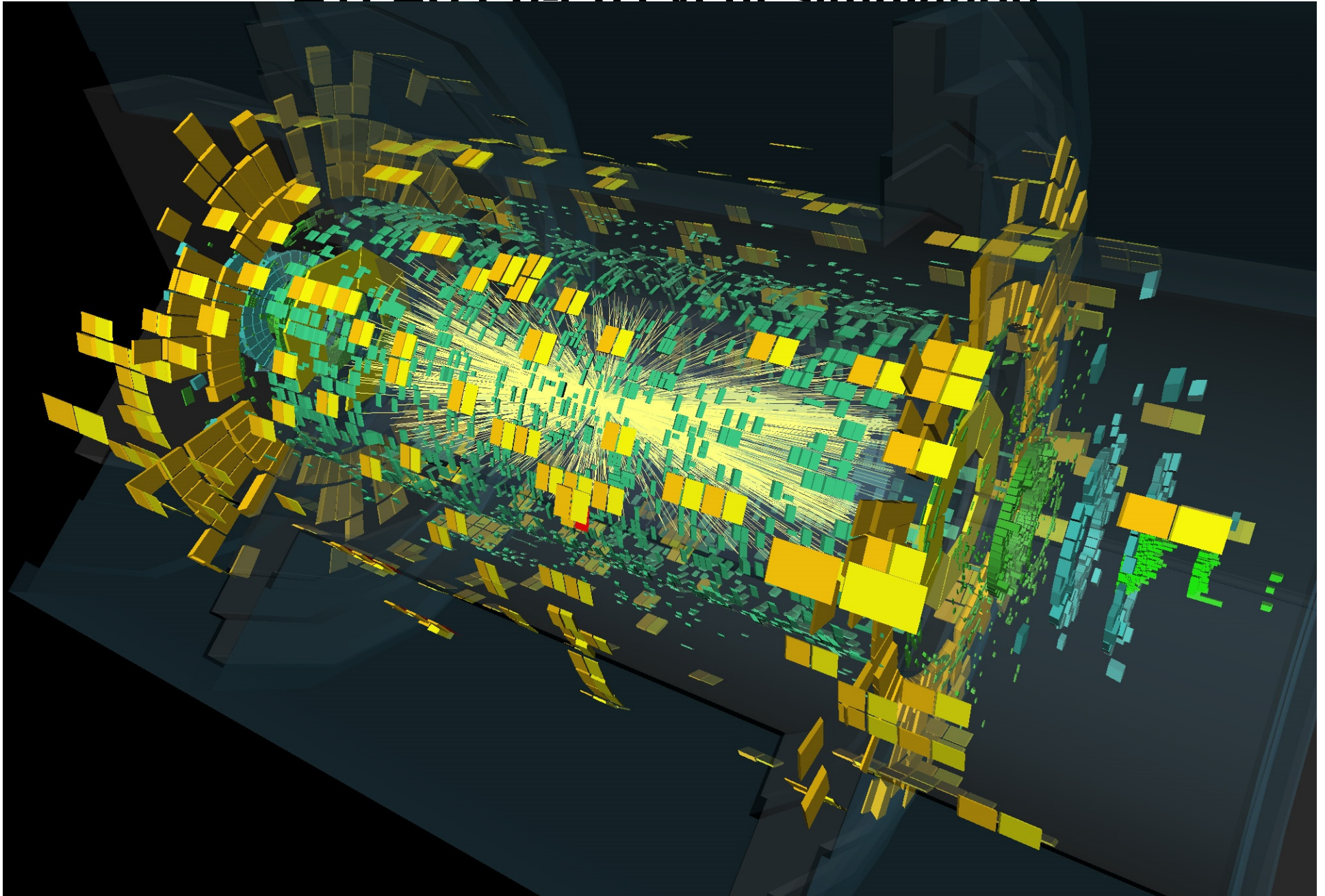
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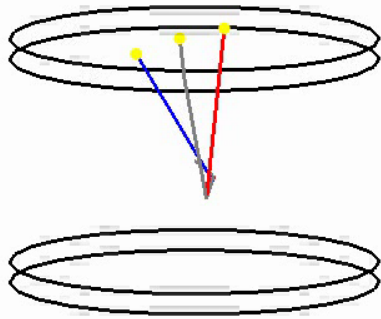
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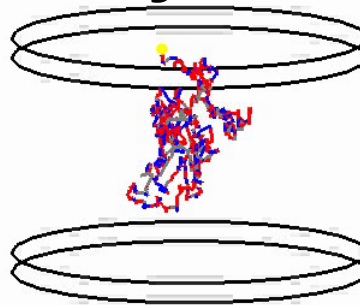
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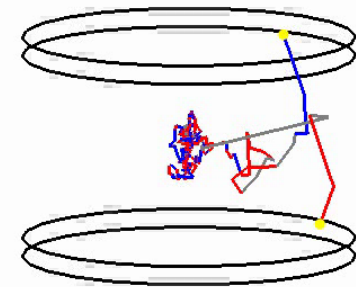
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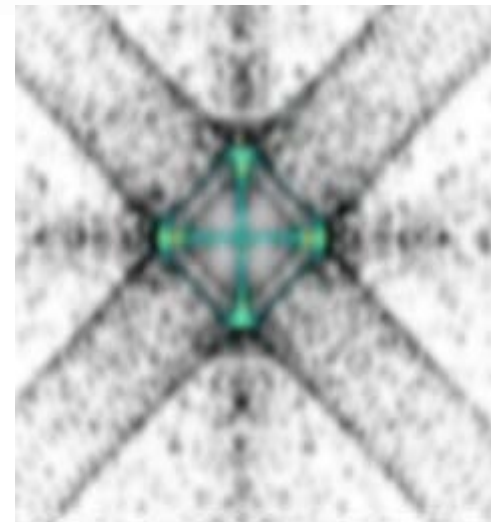
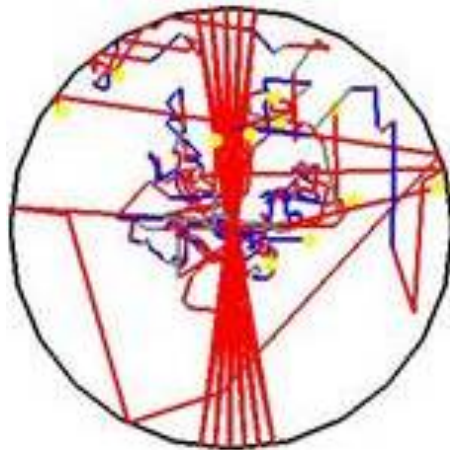
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Scattering/Mode Mixing



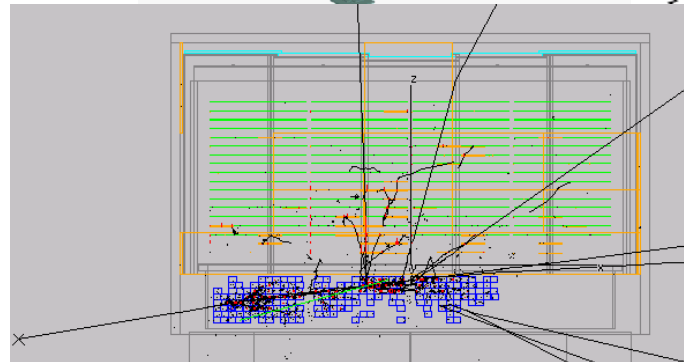
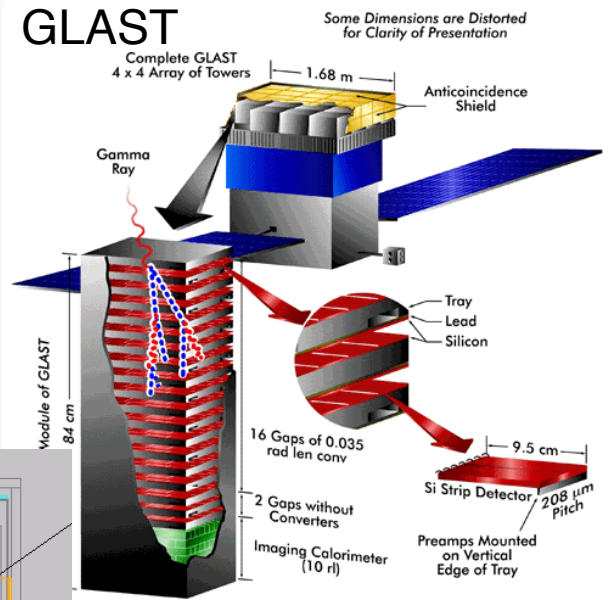
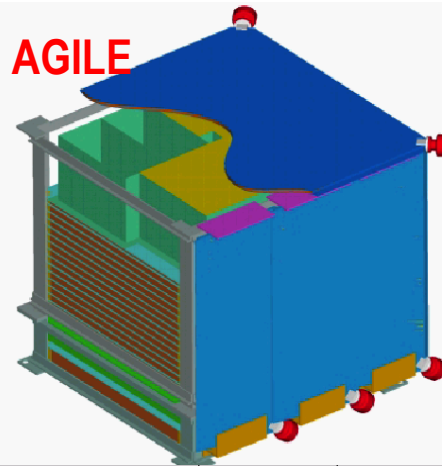
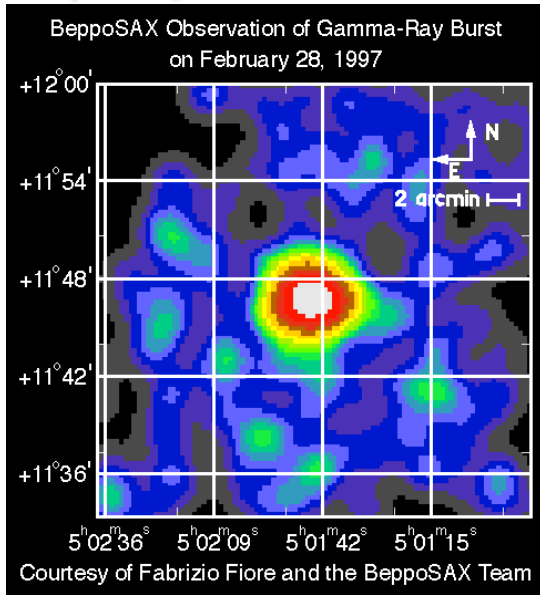
Integrated



SuperCDMS phonon simulation (left) and simulated caustic pattern on Ge crystal (right)

γ astrophysics

γ -ray bursts



GLAST

GLAST Hits Display

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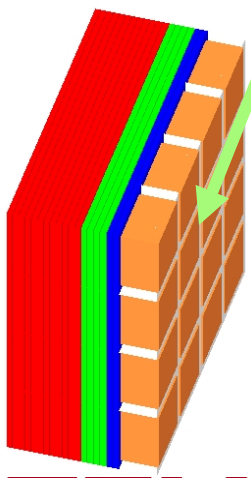
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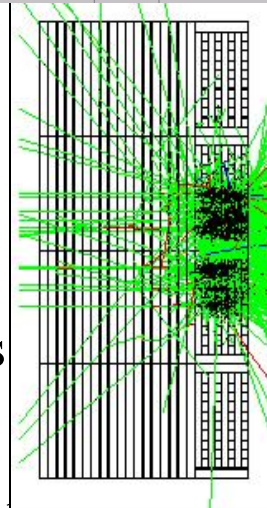
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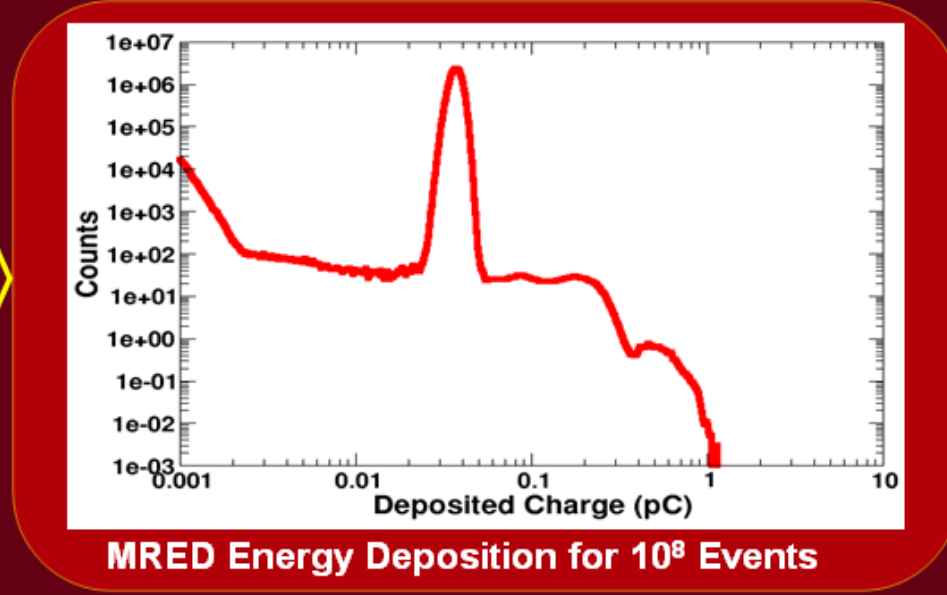
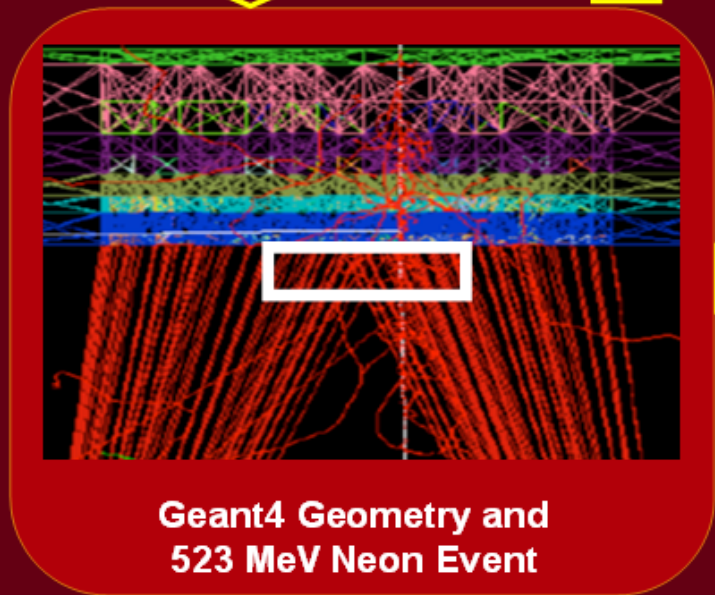
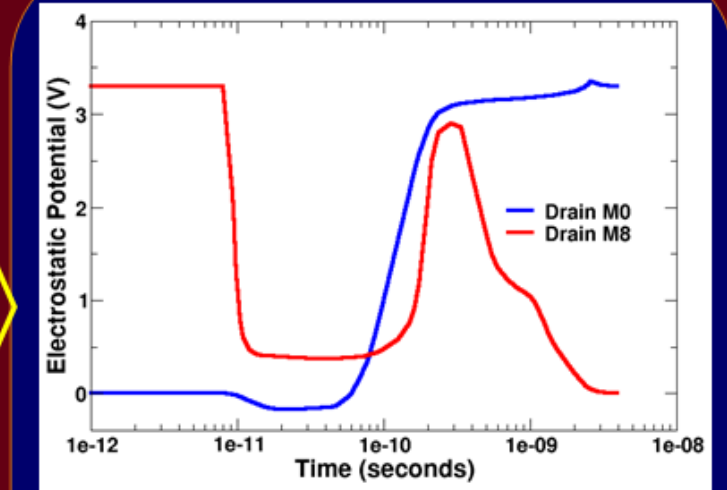
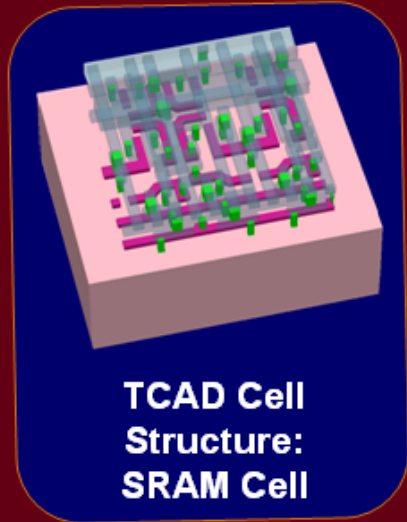
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Anticoincidence

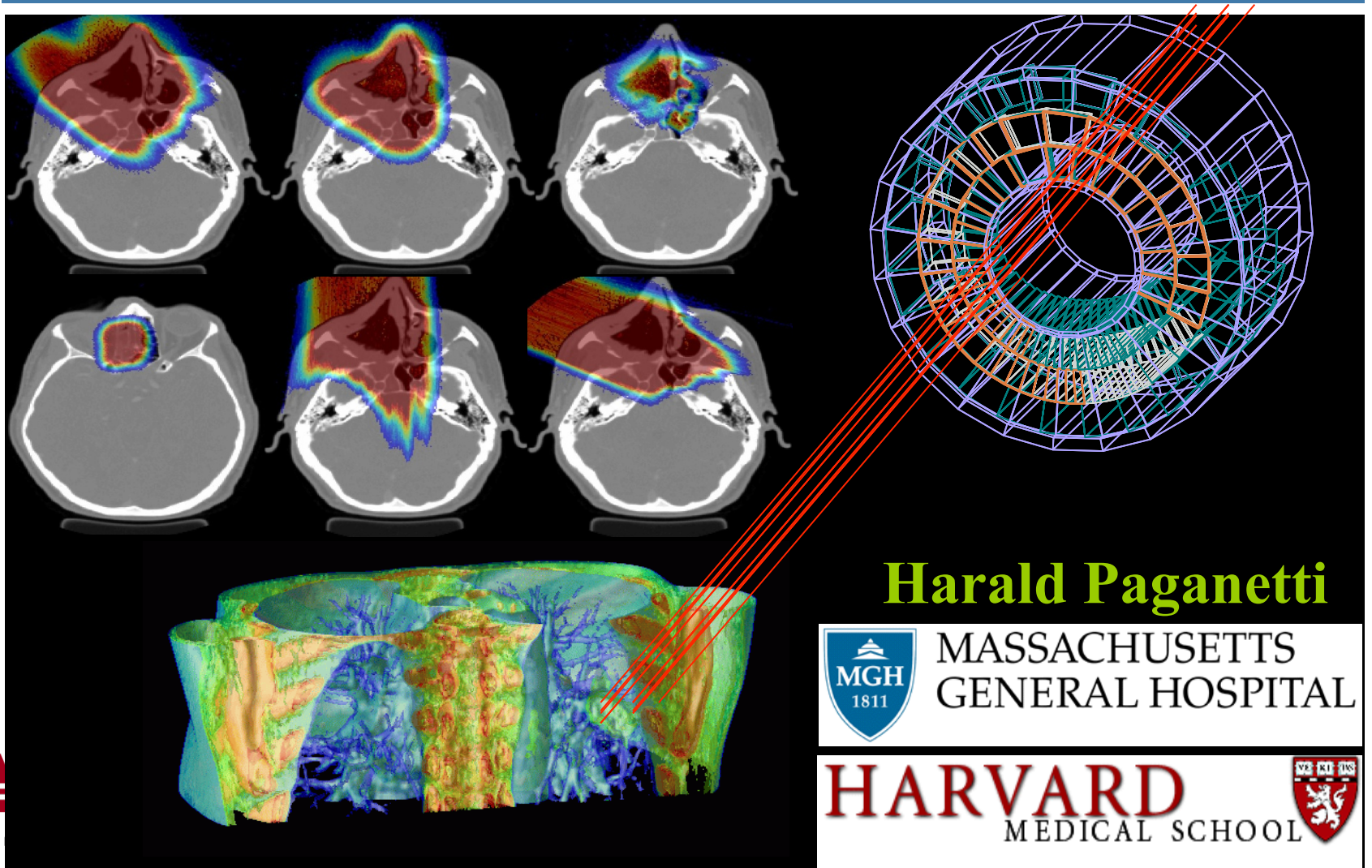
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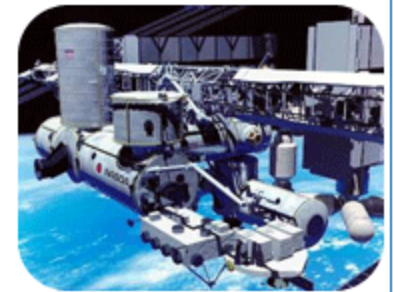
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Dates: Wednesday August 18 - Friday August 20, 2010
Location: Hilton Hotel Seattle Downtown, Seattle, WA
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The [Geant4](#) particle transport toolkit is jointly developed by a world-wide [Collaboration](#) and is intended for a wide range of applications in HEP, medical field, and space physics and engineering. In recent years, [space and astrophysics has become a significant user domain](#), with applications ranging from instrument and detector response verification to space radiation shielding optimization, component effects, support of scientific studies, and analysis of biological effects. The various domains include:

- Space electronics and Space Science detector systems.
- Single Event Effect analysis tools such as [CRÈME-MC](#)
- Simulations of astronaut radiation hazards.
- Planetary exploration applications.
- Interfaces and tools to space environment analysis tools such as [SPENVIS](#).
- Cosmic ray magnetospheric propagation analysis.
- Microdosimetry.
- Large-scale simulations requiring event biasing and [GRID](#) capabilities.
- General shielding optimization applications.

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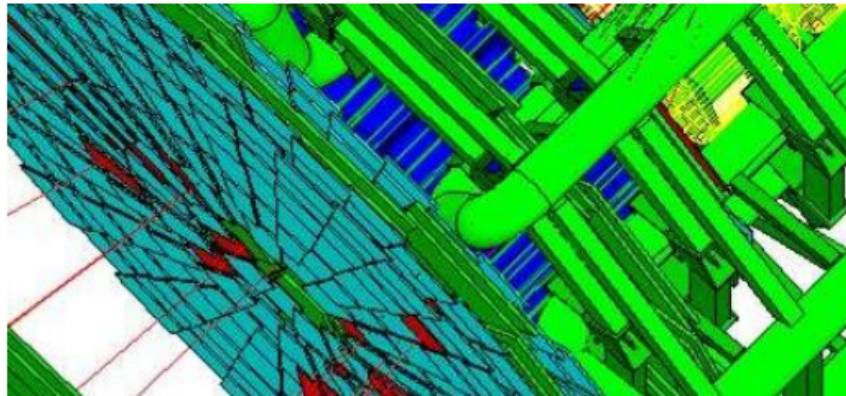
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Geant4 at SLAC

Geant4 is a toolkit for the simulation of particles passing through and interacting with matter. Its areas of application include high energy, nuclear and accelerator physics, as well as studies in medical and space science. Geant4 is developed and maintained by the international **Geant4 Collaboration**. Members of the **SLAC Geant4 team** have been actively participating in the Geant4 collaboration since its beginning, and currently take leading roles in several key areas of the collaboration. SLAC Geant4 members made significant contributions in simulation development for the BaBar experiment at SLAC, which pioneered the use of Geant4 in the simulation of high energy physics experiments. The SLAC Geant4 Team supports the use of Geant4 for on-site users including **ATLAS, BaBar, Cryogenic Dark Matter Search (CDMS), Enriched Xenon Observatory (EXO), Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope, and International Linear Collider**. The team also supports general Geant4 users of all application domains in North America and beyond.

News

- Dec. 31, 2010 - **Step by step installation guide** is updated for Geant4 v9.4.
- Dec. 16, 2010 - Geant4 version 9.4 is now available at **SLAC standard installation**.
- **Dec. 16, 2010 - Geant4 version 9.4 is released.**
- Dec. 15, 2010 - **Registration for Geant4 / SWORD training workshop @ Oak Ridge** is now open.

Events

- **Mar. 7-11, 2011 - Geant4 / SWORD training workshop @ Oak Ridge**

Visitors



since Apr.24,2009



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Activities of SLAC Geant4 Group – FY 2010

Geant4 Core	Other Group Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makoto Asai Elected Spokesperson 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATLAS full simulation realized a 30% speedup (mainly from FY 2009 work)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geant4 Architectural Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleanup of ATLAS muon simulation – volume clashes etc. (mainly FY 2009)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bertini Cascade rewritten for physics and speed improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATLAS cavern background simulation (Geant4 geometry + Fluka physics)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and maintenance of other hadronic and nuclear models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDMS simulation – especially germanium detector and phonons!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Event biasing and scoring 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing support for BaBar and FGST simulation code
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Users' Workshops and outreach to new science areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for EXO, ILC and accelerator studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extending/improving visualization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NIH-funded proton therapy simulation (TOPAS)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other externally funded space/medical projects (NASA(Vanderbilt), Varian ...)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spokesperson and other leadership roles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATLAS – limited consultancy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop plans for vital architectural improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATLAS cavern background simulation – maturing/decreasing effort
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address (mainly hadronic) issues revealed by increasing LHC data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDMS simulation – especially germanium detector and phonons!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading Bertini and radioactive decay 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing support for BaBar, FGST, EXO and ILC simulation code
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-precision neutron code maintenance and improvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing support for LCLS, LCLS shielding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Event biasing and scoring 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NIH-funded proton therapy simulation (TOPAS)
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SLAC Geant4 Group – Core Activities FY 2011

Activity	SLAC efforts	Richard Mount	Makoto Asai	Dennis Wright	Tatsumi Koi	Joseph Perl	Mike Kelsey	Norman Graf	Administrative Support
Geant4 Spokesperson	40.0%		40%						Included in Program Support
Hadronics									
Leadership of G4 hadronics	10.0%			10.0%					
RPG/LEP/HEP models	10.0%			10.0%					
Bertini model	47.0%			10.0%			37.0%		
CHIPS model	3.0%			3.0%					
HP Neutron and its alternative models	30.0%				30.0%				
QMD model	7.0%				7.0%				
HadronicValidation	4.0%			4.0%					
New Models and Features									
Electromagnetics									
Kernel									
Leadership of G4 kernel	10.0%		10.0%						
Event biasing	20.0%		5.0%		5.0%		10.0%		
Scoring	5.0%		5.0%						
Geometry									
Performance									
Profiling for speed/memory improvement									
Code Robustness and QA (reviews)	10.0%		5.0%	5.0%					
Documentation	10.0%			5.0%	5.0%				
Visualization	10.0%					10.0%			
Outreach to new science areas	31.0%	2.0%	5.0%	3.0%	3.0%	15.0%	3.0%		
Project Management	13.0%	3.0%	10.0%						
Totals per person for FY 2011	260.0%	5.0%	80.0%	50.0%	50.0%	25.0%	50.0%	0.0%	
Total Staff Cost (incl benefits and overhead)	759								
M&S (desktops etc.) fully burdened \$k	8								
Travel (\$50k from 2010 experience + \$10k for Spokesperson role) fully burdened	91								
Total Cost \$k	858								



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Collaborative efforts with other domains

- The SLAC Geant4 group actively promotes “outreach” to non-SLAC or non-HEP domains (space, medicine and related industries):
 - One or two workshops or tutorials each year (participation of HEP-funded staff)
 - SLAC work on specific collaborative applications (e.g., medicine/Harvard, industry/Varian, space/Vanderbilt) funded at no cost to HEP
 - Not yet receiving non-HEP US funding for core Geant4, but this remains a goal (in Europe ESA does fund core Geant4)
 - Benefits, to HEP, of being seen to contribute valuable technology are real, but hard to quantify in dollars.