

EM Physics

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Brief introduction of EM Physics List

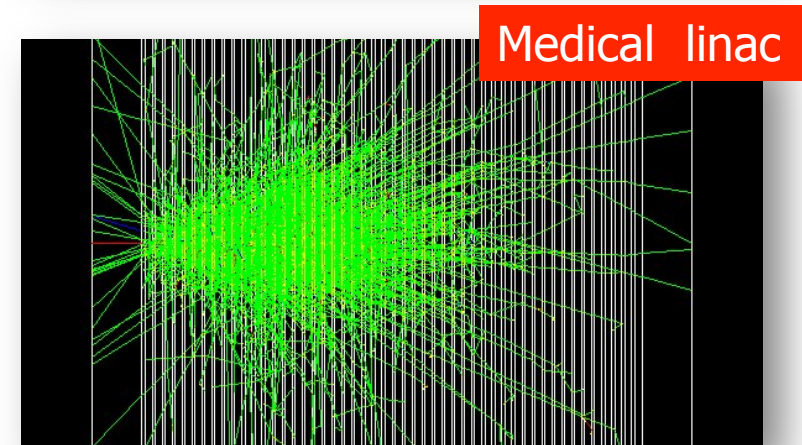
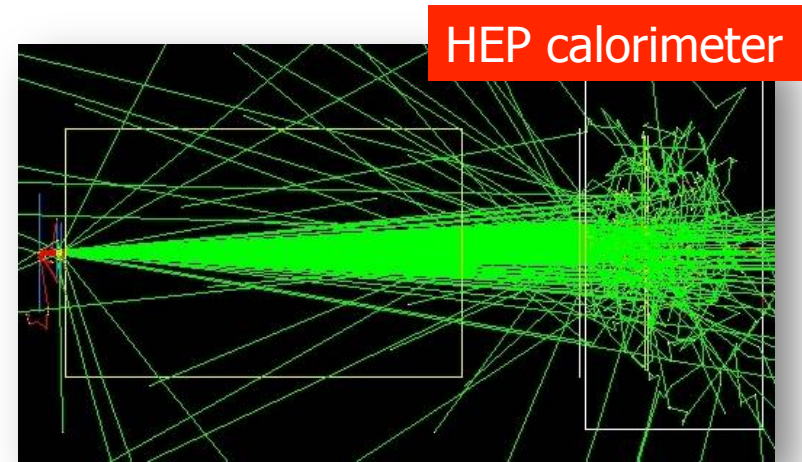
Geant4 EM packages

- **Standard**
 - γ , e^\pm up to 100 TeV
 - hadrons up to 100 TeV
 - ions up to 100 TeV
- **Muons**
 - up to 1 PeV
 - energy loss propagator
- **X-rays**
 - X-ray and optical photon production proc.
- **High-energy**
 - processes at high energy ($E > 10\text{GeV}$)
 - physics for exotic particles
- **Polarisation**
 - simulation of polarized beams
- **Optical**
 - optical photon interactions
- **Low-energy**
 - Livermore library γ , e^- from 10 eV up to 1 GeV
 - Livermore library based polarized processes
 - PENELOPE code rewrite , γ , e^- , e^+ from 100 eV up to 1 GeV (2008 version)
 - hadrons and ions up to 1 GeV
 - atomic de-excitation (fluorescence + Auger)
- **Geant4-DNA**
 - microdosimetry models for radiobiology (Geant4-DNA project) from 0.025 eV to 10 MeV
- **Adjoint**
 - New sub-library for reverse Monte Carlo simulation from the detector of interest back to source of radiation
- **Utils**
 - general EM interfaces

Gamma and electron transport

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- Photon processes
 - γ conversion into e^+e^- pair
 - Compton scattering
 - Photoelectric effect
 - Rayleigh scattering
 - Gamma-nuclear interaction in *hadronic sub-package*
- Electron and positron processes
 - Ionisation
 - Coulomb scattering
 - Bremsstrahlung
 - Positron annihilation
 - Nuclear interaction in *hadronic sub-package*
- Suitable for HEP & many other Geant4 applications with electron and gamma beams



Software design

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- Since **Geant4 9.3beta** (June, 2009) the design is **uniform for all EM packages**
 - ▣ Allowing a **coherent approach** for high-energy and low-energy applications

- A **physical interaction** or **process** is described by a **process class**
 - ▣ Naming scheme : « G4**ProcessName** »
 - ▣ For example: G4Compton for photon Compton scattering
 - ▣ Assigned to Geant4 particle types
 - ▣ Inherits from **G4VEmProcess** base class

- A physical process can be simulated according to **several models**, each model being described by a **model class**
 - ▣ Naming scheme : « G4**ModelNameProcessNameModel** »
 - ▣ For example: G4LivermoreComptonModel
 - ▣ Models can be assigned to certain **energy ranges** and **G4Regions**
 - ▣ Inherit from **G4VEmModel** base class

- Model classes provide the **computation** of
 - ▣ Cross section and stopping power
 - ▣ Sample selection of atom in compound
 - ▣ Final state (kinematics, production of secondaries...)

Physics lists

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- A **Physics list** is the **mandatory user class** making the general interface between the physics the user needs and the Geant4 kernel
 - ▣ It should include the **list of particles**
 - ▣ The **G4ProcessManager** of each particle maintains a **list of processes**
- Geant4 provides several configurations of EM physics lists called **constructors** (**G4VPhysicsConstructor**) in the **physics_lists** library of Geant4
- These constructors can be included into a **modular Physics list** in a user application (**G4VModularPhysicsList**)

Purpose

Physics

- Livermore models
- Penelope models
- Ion energy loss model
- Geant4-DNA
- MuElec processes & models
- Monash U. models
- Atomic de-excitation

When/Why to use the “Low Energy” EM models

Purpose

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- Extend the coverage of Geant4 electromagnetic interactions with matter
 - ▣ for photons, electrons, positrons and ions
 - ▣ down to very low energies (sub-keV scale)
- Possible domains of applications
 - ▣ Space science
 - ▣ Medical physics
 - ▣ Underground physics
 - ▣ Microdosimetry for radiobiology and microelectronics
 - ▣ ...
- Choices of physics models include
 - ▣ Livermore : electrons and photons [250 eV – 1 GeV]
 - ▣ Penelope : electrons, positrons and photons [100 eV – 1 GeV]
 - ▣ Microdosimetry models
 - Geant4-DNA project: [eV – ~ few 100 MeV]
 - MuElec for Silicon : [eV – 1 GeV/u]

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Livermore models

Livermore models

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- Full set of models for **electrons** and **gammas**
- Based on publicly available **evaluated data tables** from the Livermore data library
 - **EADL** : Evaluated **Atomic** Data Library
 - **EEDL** : Evaluated **Electrons** Data Library
 - **EPDL97** : Evaluated **Photons** Data Library
 - Mixture of experiments and theories
 - Binding energies: **Scofield**
- Data tables are **interpolated** by Livermore model classes to compute
 - Total cross sections: photoelectric, Compton, Rayleigh, pair production, Bremsstrahlung
 - Shell integrated cross sections: photo-electric, ionization
 - Energy spectra: secondary e- processes
- Validity range (recommended) : **250 eV - 100 GeV**
 - Processes can be used down to 100 eV, with a reduced accuracy
 - In principle, down to ~10 eV
- Included elements from **Z=1 to Z=100**
 - Include atomic effects (fluorescence, Auger)
 - Atomic relaxation : $Z > 5$ (EADL transition data)
- Naming scheme: **G4LivermoreXXXModel** (eg. G4LivermoreComptonModel)

<http://www-nds.iaea.org/epdl97>

Available Livermore **models**

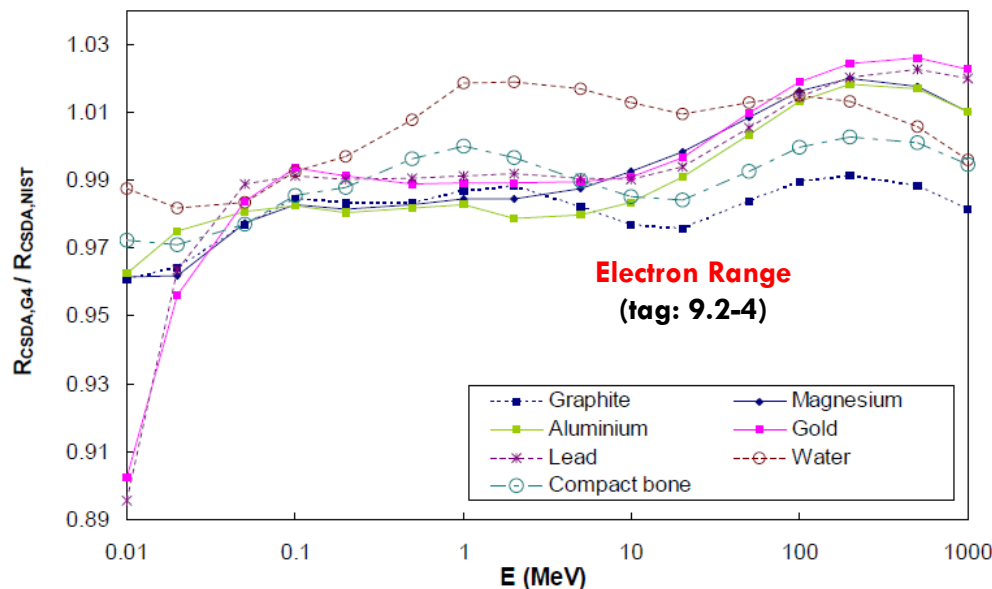
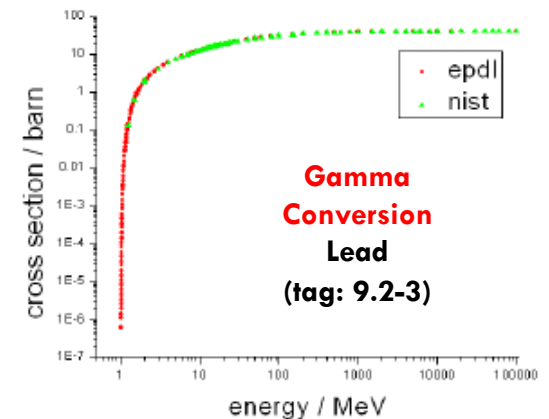
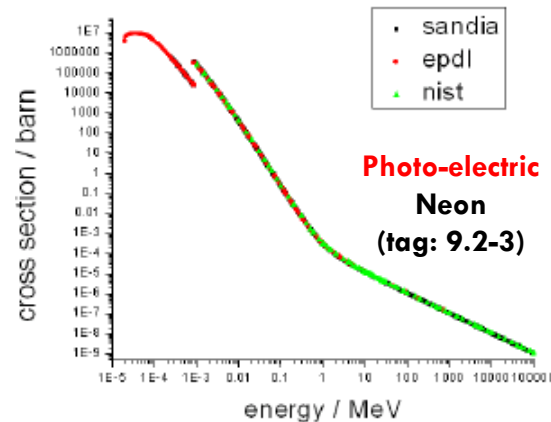
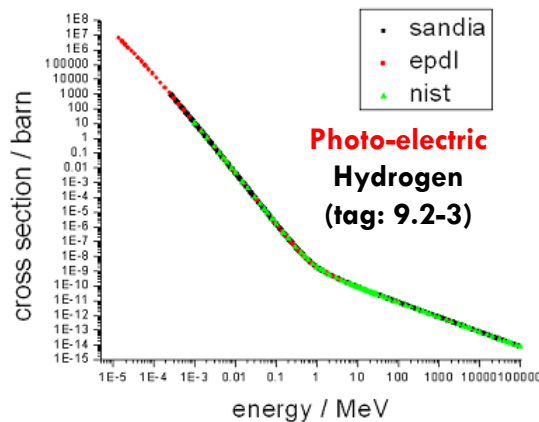
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Physics Process	Process Class	Model Class	Low Energy Limit	High Energy Limit
Gammas				
Compton	G4ComptonScattering	G4LivermoreComptonModel	250 eV (kill)	100 GeV
Polarized Compton	G4ComptonScattering	G4LivermorePolarizedComptonModel	250 eV (kill)	100 GeV
Rayleigh	G4RayleighScattering	G4LivermoreRayleighModel	10 eV (kill)	100 GeV
Polarized Rayleigh	G4RayleighScattering	G4LivermorePolarizedRayleighModel	250 eV (kill)	100 GeV
Conversion	G4GammaConversion	G4LivermoreGammaConversionModel	1.022 MeV	100 GeV
Polarized Conversion	G4GammaConversion	G4LivermorePolarizedGammaConversionModel	1.022 MeV	100 GeV
Photo-electric	G4PhotoElectricEffect	G4LivermorePhotoElectricModel	~ few eV	100 GeV
Polarized Photo-electric	G4PhotoElectricEffect	G4LivermorePolarizedPhotoElectricModel	10 eV	100 GeV
Electrons				
Ionization	G4elonisation	G4LivermoreIonisationModel	100 eV	100 GeV
Bremsstrahlung	G4eBremsstrahlung	G4LivermoreBremsstrahlungModel	10 eV	100 GeV

Eg. of **verification** of Livermore models

See Nucl. Instrum. and Meth. A 618 (2010) 315-322

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Polarized Livermore models

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- Describe in detail the kinematics of **polarized photon interactions**
- Based on the Livermore database
- Possible applications of such developments
 - ▣ **design of space missions** for the detection of polarized photons
- Naming scheme: **G4LivermorePolarizedXXXModel**
 - ▣ eg. G4LivermorePolarizedComptonModel
- More in the following publications

Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 566 (2006) 590-597 (Photoelectric)
Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 512 (2003) 619-630 (Compton and Rayleigh)
Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 452 (2000) 298-305 (Pair production)

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Penelope models

Penelope physics

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- Geant4 includes the low-energy models for **electrons**, **positrons** and **photons** from the Monte Carlo code **PENELOPE** (PENetration and Energy LOss of Positrons and Electrons) version **2008**

Nucl. Instrum. Meth. B 207 (2003) 107-123

- Physics models
 - Specifically developed by the group of F. Salvat et al.
 - Great care dedicated to the **low-energy** description
 - Atomic effects, fluorescence, Doppler broadening...
- **Mixed** approach: analytical, parameterized & database-driven
 - Applicability energy range: **100 eV – 1 GeV**
- Also include **positrons**
 - Not described by Livemore models
- **G4PenelopeXXXModel** (e.g. G4PenelopeComptonModel)

Available Penelope models

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Physics Process	Process Class	Model Class	Low Energy Limit	High Energy Limit
Gammas				
Compton	G4ComptonScattering	G4PenelopeComptonModel	100 eV	1 GeV
Rayleigh	G4RayleighScattering	G4PenelopeRayleighModel	100 eV	1 GeV
Conversion	G4GammaConversion	G4PenelopeGammaConversionModel	1.022 MeV	1 GeV
Photo-electric	G4PhotoElectricEffect	G4PenelopePhotoElectricModel	100 eV	1 GeV
Electrons/Positrons				
Ionization	G4elonisation	G4PenelopelonisationModel	100 eV	1 GeV
Bremsstrahlung	G4eBremsstrahlung	G4PenelopeBremsstrahlungModel	100 eV	1 GeV
Positrons				
Annihilation	G4eplusAnnihilation	G4PenelopeAnnihilationModel	100 eV	1 GeV

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Ions

Ion energy loss model

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- Describes the energy loss of **ions heavier than Helium** due to interactions with atomic shells of target atoms
- This model computes
 - ▣ Cross sections for the discrete production of **delta rays**
 - Delta rays are only produced above the production threshold, which inherently also governs the discrete energy loss of ions
 - ▣ **Restricted electronic stopping powers**, that is the continuous energy loss of ions as they slow down in an absorber
 - Below the production threshold
- Primarily of interest for medical and space applications
- See more in **Nucl. Instrum. Meth. B 268 (2010) 2343-2354**

Ion energy loss model

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- **Restricted stopping powers** are calculated from
 - $T < T_{\text{Low}}$: **Free electron gas** model
 - $T_{\text{Low}} \leq T \leq T_{\text{High}}$: **parameterization (ICRU'73)** approach
 - $T > T_{\text{High}}$: **Bethe-Bloch formula** (using an effective charge and higher order corrections)

- **ICRU'73** parameterization
 - Large range of ion-materials combination:
 - Incident ions : Li to Ar, and Fe
 - 25 elemental materials, 31 compounds
 - Stopping powers based on the binary theory, effective charge approach for Fe
 - Special case: water
 - Revised ICRU'73 tables by P. Sigmund
 - Mean ionization potential is **78 eV**
 - Energy limits
 - $T_{\text{High}} = 10 \text{ MeV/nucleon}$ (except Fe ions: $T_{\text{H}} = 1 \text{ GeV/nucleon}$)
 - $T_{\text{Low}} = 0.025 \text{ MeV/nucleon}$ (lower boundary of ICRU'73 tables)

How to use the ion model ?

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- Model name: `G4IonParametrisedLossModel`
- Only applicable to ions with $Z \geq 3$
- Already included in Geant4 EM physics constructors
 - ▣ Low energy EM: `G4EmLivermorePhysics`, `G4EmLivermorePolarizedPhysics`, `G4EmPenelopePhysics`, `G4EmLowEPPhysics`
 - ▣ Standard EM: `G4EmStandard_option3`, `G4EmStandard_option4`
- Designed to be used with the `G4ionlonisation()` process (from the Standard EM category)
 - ▣ Not activated by default when using `G4ionlonisation`
 - ▣ Users can employ this model by using the `SetEmModel` method of the `G4ionlonisation` process
- Restricted to one Geant4 particle type: `G4GenericIon`
 - ▣ The process `G4ionlonisation` is also applicable to alpha particles (`G4Alpha`) and He3 ions (`G4He3`), however the `G4IonParametrisedLossModel` model must not be activated for these light ions
 - ▣ Below $Z < 3$, we use `G4BraggModel` (p) or `G4BraggIonModel` (alpha), and `G4BetheBlochModel` with the `G4hlonisation` and `G4ionlonisation` processes

ICRU 73 data tables

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- The ion model
 - uses ICRU'73 stopping powers, if corresponding ion-material combinations are **covered** by the ICRU'73 report
 - otherwise applies a **Bethe-Bloch based formalism**
- Elemental **materials** are matched to the corresponding ICRU 73 stopping powers by means of the atomic number of the material. The material **name** may be **arbitrary** in this case.
- For **compounds**, ICRU 73 stopping powers are used **if the material name coincides with the name of Geant4 NIST materials**
 - e.g. "G4_WATER"
- For a **list of applicable materials**, refer to the ICRU 73 report
- All needed data files are in the **G4LEDATA** set of data

<http://geant4-dna.org>

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Geant4-DNA

The Geant4-DNA project

Extending the Geant4 Monte Carlo simulation toolkit for radiobiology

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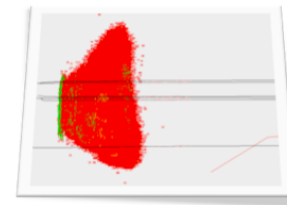
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Welcome to the Internet page of the **Geant4-DNA project**.

The [Geant4](#) Monte Carlo simulation toolkit is being extended with processes for the **modeling of early biological damages induced by ionising radiation at the DNA scale**. Such developments are on-going in the framework of the Geant4-DNA project, initiated in 2000 by the [European Space Agency/ESTEC](#).

On-going developments include

- **Physics** processes in liquid water and other biological materials
- **Physico-chemistry** and **chemistry** processes for water radiolysis
- Molecular **geometries**
- Quantification of **damages** (such as single-strand, double-strand breaks, ...)



Recent posts

The last Geant4 release (9.6+P01) is available for download, see our [Software](#) section.

Geant4 for microdosimetry in radiobiology

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- History
 - ▣ initiated in 2001 by Petteri Nieminen (European Space Agency / ESTEC) in the framework of the « **Geant4-DNA** » project
- Objective : adapt the **general purpose** Geant4 Monte Carlo toolkit for the **simulation of interactions of radiation with biological systems at the cellular and DNA level** (« microdosimetry for radiobiology »)
- A full multidisciplinary activity of the Geant4 low energy electromagnetic Physics working group, involving physicists, theoreticians, biophysicists...
- Applications :
 - ▣ Radiobiology, radiotherapy and hadrontherapy
 - eg. early prediction of direct & non-direct **DNA strand breaks** from ionising radiation
 - ▣ Radioprotection for human exploration of Solar system
- Dedicated web site & publications : <http://geant4-dna.org>

Geant4 for microdosimetry in radiobiology

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- Several models are available for the description of physical processes involving e^- , p , H , He , He^+ , He^{2+} , C^{6+} , N^{7+} , O^{8+} , Fe^{26+}
- Include elastic scattering, excitation (electronic + vibrations), ionisation and charge exchange
- For now, these models are valid for liquid water medium only
- Models available in Geant4-DNA
 - ▣ are published in the literature
 - ▣ may be purely analytical or use interpolated cross section data
- They are all discrete processes
 - ▣ See [examples/advanced/dnaphysics](#)
- Can be combined with other EM categories (Standard, LowE - common software design)
 - ▣ See [examples/advanced/microdosimetry](#)

Geant4-DNA physics processes and models

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Particles	e-	p	H	He ⁺⁺ , He ⁺ , He ⁰	C, N, O, Fe,...
Elastic scattering	> 9 eV – 1 MeV Screened Rutherford >7.4 eV – 1 MeV Champion	-	-	-	-
Excitation	9 eV – 1 MeV Born	10 eV – 500 keV Miller Green 500 keV – 100 MeV Born	10 eV – 500 keV Miller Green	Effective charge scaling from same models as for proton 1 keV – 400 MeV	-
Charge Change	-	100 eV – 100 MeV Dingfelder	100 eV – 100 MeV Dingfelder		-
Ionisation	11 eV – 1 MeV Born	100 eV – 500 keV Rudd 500 keV – 100 MeV Born	100 eV – 100 MeV Rudd		Effective charge scaling 0.5 MeV/u – 10 ⁶ MeV/u
Vibrational excitation	2 – 100 eV Michaud et al.	-			
Attachment	4 – 13 eV Melton				

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MuElec processes & models

New processes and models for **microelectronics**

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- Purpose
 - ▣ extend Geant4 with processes and models for the simulation of particle-matter interactions in highly integrated microelectronic components
 - ▣ for **electrons, protons, heavy ions in Silicon**
- They use the same **step-by-step approach** as Geant4-DNA processes and models
 - ▣ Similarly based on the complex dielectric function theory
- Applicable to the « **G4_Si** » NIST material
- Named as « **MicroElec** » for **microelectronics**

New processes and models for **microelectronics**

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□ Processes and models

Physics Process	Process Class	Model Class	Low Energy Limit	High Energy Limit
Electrons				
Elastic scattering	G4MicroElecElastic	G4MicroElecElasticModel	5 eV (kill < 16.7 eV)	100 MeV
Ionization	G4MicroElecInelastic	G4MicroElecInelasticModel	16.7 eV	100 MeV
Protons and heavy ions				
Ionization	G4MicroElecInelastic	G4MicroElecInelasticModel	50 keV/u	1 GeV/u

- A dedicated advanced user example was delivered in G4 10 (« microelectronics »)
- Validation range
 - ▣ Electrons: 50 eV – 50 keV
 - ▣ Protons: 50 keV/u – 23 MeV/u

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Monash U. models

Improved Compton model

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- Monash U. (J. Brown et al.) recently proposed to improve Livermore gamma models
 - ▣ Unpolarized Compton scattering off atomic bound electrons in the relativistic impulse approximation, derived from Livermore Compton model
 - ▣ As an alternative to Compton scattering models (Livermore and Penelope) developed from Ribberfor's Compton scattering framework
 - More accurate Compton electron ejection direction algorithms below 5 MeV
 - Special relativistic formalism + energy & momentum conservation, in order to compute
 - Energy and angular distribution of Compton scattered photons off non-stationary atomic bound electrons
 - Energy and ejected angular distributions of Compton electrons

Improved Compton model

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- Model class is **G4LowEPComptonModel**
- You can register it easily to your Physics list

```
G4ComptonScattering* cs = new G4ComptonScattering;  
cs->SetEmModel(new G4KleinNishinaModel(),1);  
G4VEmModel* theLowEPComptonModel = new G4LowEPComptonModel();  
theLowEPComptonModel->SetHighEnergyLimit(2*MeV);  
cs->AddEmModel(0, theLowEPComptonModel);  
ph->RegisterProcess(cs, particle);
```
- You can also use two Physics constructors
 - ▣ **G4EmLowEPPhysics** – identical to G4EmLivermorePhysics except for Compton
 - ▣ **G4EmStandard_option4** – « best » of Geant4 EM

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Atomic de-excitation

Atomic de-excitation effects

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- Atomic de-excitation is initiated by other EM processes
 - ▣ E.g. : photo-electric effect, Compton, ionisation by e- and ions
 - ▣ Leave the atom in an excited state

- EADL data contain transition probabilities
 - ▣ **radiative**: fluorescence
 - ▣ **non-radiative**:
 - Auger e-: initial and final vacancies in different sub-shells
 - Coster-Kronig e-: identical sub-shells

- Thanks to a common interface ([G4UAtomicDeexcitation](#)), atomic de-excitation is compatible with **both Standard & Low Energy electromagnetic physics categories**
 - ▣ See more in X-Ray Spec. 40 (2011) 135-140

Including atomic effects

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- The activation of atomic deexcitation in a user physics list can be done « by hand » using the `G4EmProcessOptions` class

```
G4EmProcessOptions emOptions;
```

```
emOptions.SetFluo(true); // To activate deexcitation processes and fluorescence
```

```
emOptions.SetAuger(true); // To activate Auger effect if deexcitation is activated
```

```
emOptions.SetPIXE(true); // To activate Particle Induced X-Ray Emission (PIXE)
```

- It is possible to specify the region in which de-excitation is needed

```
emOptions.SetDeexcitationActiveRegion (const G4String& , G4bool, G4bool, G4bool);
```

- If no Region command is used, by default atomic de-excitation is applied everywhere
- If any Region is defined, then de-excitation should be applied to the World volume

Including atomic effects

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- Alternativeley, **we recommend the usage of physics constructors** and Geant4 physics lists, where activation can be easily done directly via UI commands

```
/run/initialize
/process/em/deexcitation region true false false
/process/em/deexcitation region true true true
/process/em/fluor true
/process/em/auger true
/process/em/pixe true
```
- Boolean parameters in the `"/process/em/deexcitation"` command correspond to activation of fluorescence, Auger, and PIXE respectively
- **region** is the name of the G4Region in which de-excitation should be activated
 - ▣ use the string **World** if the G4Region is the World volume
- Note that **fluorescence is activated by default** in the `G4EmDNAPhysics`, `G4EmLivermorePhysics`, `G4EmLivermorePolarizedPhysics`, `G4EmLowEPPhysics`, `G4EmPenelopePhysics`, `G4EmStandard_option3` and `G4EmStandard_option4` physics constructors while Auger production and PIXE are not
- As an example, look into `examples/extended/electromagnetic/TestEm5` and macro `pixe.mac`

Note on production thresholds

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- Remember that production cuts for secondaries are specified as **range cuts**. These are converted at initialisation time into energy thresholds for secondary gamma, electron, positron and proton production.
- A range cut value is set **by default to 0.7 mm** in Geant4 **reference physics lists**. This value can be specified in the optional **SetCuts()** method of the user physics list or via **UI commands** :
 - ▣ for eg. to set a range cut of 10 micrometers, one can use `/run/setCut 0.01 mm`
 - ▣ or, for a given particle type (for e.g. electron) `/run/setCutForAGivenParticle e- 0.01 mm`
- If a range cut equivalent to an energy **lower than 990 eV** is specified, then **the energy cut is still set to 990 eV**. In order to **decrease this value** (for eg. down to 250 eV, to see low energy emission lines of the fluorescence spectrum), one can use the UI command:

`/cuts/setLowEdge 250 eV`

or alternatively directly in the user physics list, in the optional **SetCuts()** method, using:

`G4ProductionCutsTable::GetProductionCutsTable()->SetEnergyRange(250*eV, 1*GeV);`

- In your macro, these UI commands should be put before the UI command

`/run/initialize`

Changing **shell** cross section models

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- The user has the possibility to select different ionisation cross section models for PIXE. Again, it is possible to use methods of the `G4EmProcessOptions` class in the user Physics list:

```
G4EmProcessOptions::SetPIXECrossSectionModel(const G4String&);
```

where the string can be "`Empirical`" or "`ECPSSR_FormFactor`" or "`ECPSSR_Analytical`"
- Alternatively, when using the `Geant4 reference physics lists` (and "physics constructors"), the following UI command is available:

```
/process/em/pixeXSmodel value
```

where `value` is equal to `Empirical` or `ECPSSR_FormFactor` or `ECPSSR_Analytical`.
- This UI command should be put after the UI command:

```
/run/initialize
```
- Shell cross sections models are available for K, L and selected M shells:
 - the `Empirical` models are from Paul "reference values" (for protons and alphas for K-Shell) and Orlic empirical model for L shells (only for protons and ions with $Z > 2$);
 - the `ECPSSR_FormFactor` models derive from A. Taborda et al. calculations of ECPSSR values directly from Form Factors and it covers K, L shells in the range 0.1-100 MeV and M shells in the range 0.1-10 MeV;
 - the `ECPSSR_Analytical` models derive from an in-house analytical calculation of the ECPSSR theory.
- The `Empirical models` are the models used by default. Out of the energy boundaries of these models, the "`ECPSSR_Analytical`" models are used. We recommend to use default settings if not sure what to use.
- Note that shell cross section selection is also available for **electrons** via the following **UI command**:
 - ```
/process/em/pixeElecXSmodel Livermore
```
  - ```
/process/em/pixeElecXSmodel Penelope
```

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Summary:

when/why to use the “Low Energy” EM models

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- **Use** Low-Energy models (Livermore or Penelope), as an **alternative** to Standard models, when you:
 - ▣ need **precise treatment of EM showers** and interactions at **low-energy** (keV scale or below)
 - ▣ are interested in **atomic effects**, as fluorescence x-rays, Doppler broadening, etc.
 - ▣ **can afford** a more CPU-intensive simulation
 - ▣ want to **cross-check** another simulation (e.g. with a different Physics List)

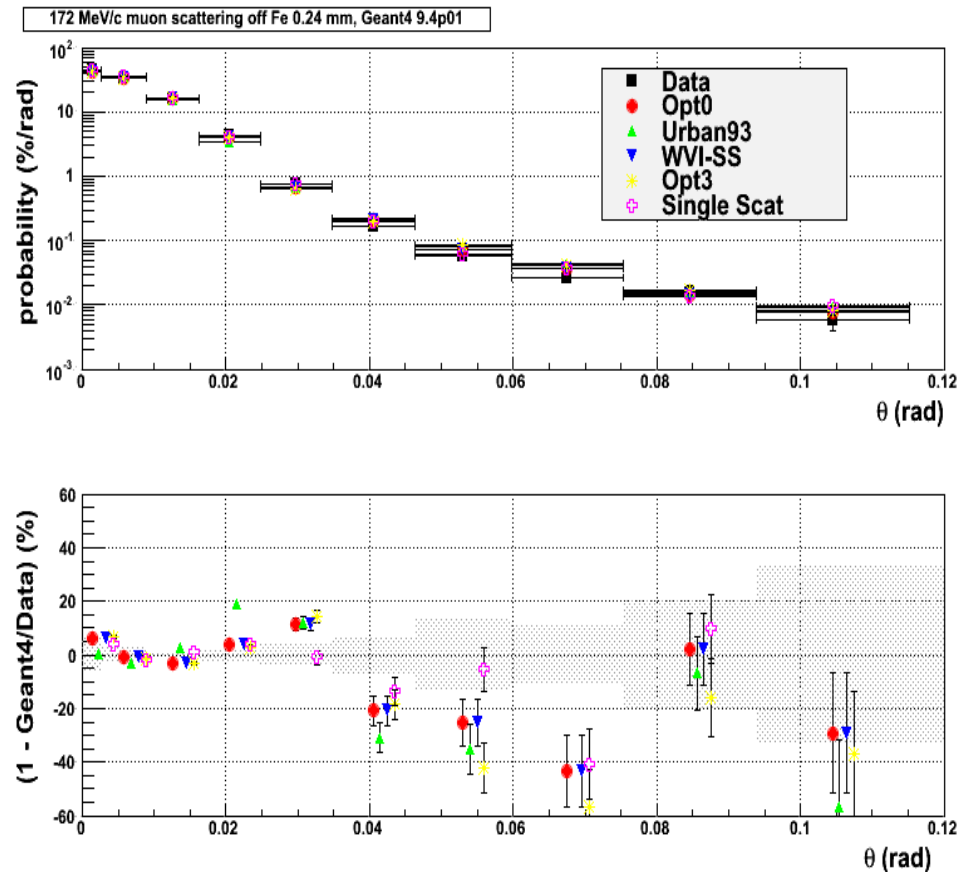
- **Do not use** when you are interested in EM physics **> MeV**
 - ▣ same results as Standard EM models
 - ▣ strong performance penalty

Multiple scattering

Multiple Coulomb Scattering (MSC)

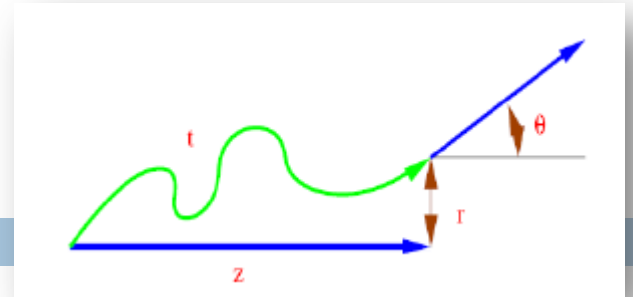
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- Charged particles traversing a finite thickness of matter suffer elastic Coulomb scattering
- The **cumulative effect** of these small angle scatterings is a **net deflection** from the original particle direction
- MSC implementation determine accuracy and CPU performance of simulation



MSC algorithm

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□ Legend

- True path length : t
- Longitudinal or geometrical displacement : z
- Lateral displacement : r
- Angular deflection : (θ, Φ)

□ The algorithm performs several steps for the simulation of MSC which are essentially the same for many « condensed » simulations

- The physics processes and the geometry select the step length; MSC performs the $t \leftrightarrow z$ transformation only
- The transport along the initial direction is not MSC's business
- Sampling of scattering angle (θ, Φ)
- Computing of lateral displacement and relocation of particle

MSC and single scattering models

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Model	Particle type	Energy limit	Specifics and applicability
Urban (Urban 2006)	Any	-	Default model for electrons and positrons below 100 MeV, (Lewis 1950) approach, tuned to data, <u>used for LHC production</u> .
Screened Nuclear Recoil (Mendenhall and Weller 2005)	p, ions	< 100 MeV/A	Theory based process, providing simulation of nuclear recoil for sampling of radiation damage, focused on precise simulation of effects for space app.
Goudsmit-Saunderson (Kadri 2009)	e^+ , e^-	< 1 GeV	Theory based cross sections (Goudsmit and Saunderson 1950). EPSEPA code developed by Penelope group, final state using EGSnrc method (Kawrakov et al. 1998), precise electron transport
Coulomb scattering (2008)	any	-	Theory based (Wentzel 1927) single scattering model, uses nuclear form-factors (Butkevich et al. 2002), focused on muons and hadrons
WentzelVI (2009)	any	-	MSC for small angles, Coulomb Scattering (Wentzel 1927) for large angles, focused on simulation for muons and hadrons.
Ion Coulomb scattering (2010) Electron Coulomb scattering (2012)	Ions e^+ , e^-	-	Model based on Wentzel formula + relativistic effects + screening effects for projectile & target. From the work of P. G. Rancoita, C. Consolandi and V. Ivantchenko.

MSC classes

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- Processes per particle type are available
 - ▣ `G4eMultipleScattering` for e^+/e^-
 - ▣ `G4MuMultipleScattering` for μ^+/μ^-
 - ▣ `G4hMultipleScattering` for hadrons and ions
- L. Urban model
 - ▣ `G4UrbanMscModel` :
 - The most established Geant4 scattering model
- Combined multiple and single scattering model:
 - ▣ `G4WentzelVIModel` + `G4eCoulombScatteringModel`
 - Applied for high energy e^\pm , muons, hadrons
- Alternative single and multiple scattering models are available to users
 - ▣ see `extended examples...`

Step limitation for charged particle transport

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- Step size of a charged particle may be limited by several Geant4 processes
 - ▣ Ionisation
 - discussed in previous slide
 - ▣ Multiple scattering
 - strong step limitation new geometry boundary
 - 3 modes: *Minimal*, *UseSafety*, *UseDistanceToBoundary*
 - ▣ Delta-electron production and bremsstrahlung
 - cut dependent
 - ▣ User defined step limit
- Simulation results strongly depend on step limit method

Physics lists

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- A user can
 - use **reference physics lists** provided with Geant4 (QBBC,)
 - build his/her **own physics list** in his/her application
 - or use **already available EM physics constructors**

- 1. If you choose to build your own Physics list
 - refer to the Geant4 Low Energy EM working group website, **Processes** section
 - also you may refer to Geant4 examples
 - [examples/extended/electromagnetic/TestEm14](#)

- 2. **Much more safe**: use the available **physics constructors**, these are named as
 - G4Em**Livermore**Physics
 - G4Em**LivermorePolarized**Physics
 - G4Em**Penelope**Physics
 - G4Em**DNA**Physics
 - G4Em**LowEP**Physics

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- List of particles: for which EM physics processes are defined
 - $\gamma, e^{\pm}, \mu^{\pm}, \pi^{\pm}, K^{\pm}, p, \Sigma^{\pm}, \Xi^{-}, \Omega^{-}, \text{anti}(\Sigma^{\pm}, \Xi^{-}, \Omega^{-})$
 - $\tau^{\pm}, B^{\pm}, D^{\pm}, D_s^{\pm}, \Lambda_c^{+}, \Sigma_c^{+}, \Sigma_c^{++}, \Xi_c^{+}, \text{anti}(\Lambda_c^{+}, \Sigma_c^{+}, \Sigma_c^{++}, \Xi_c^{+})$
 - d, t, He3, He4, Genericlon, anti(d, t, He3, He4)

Constructor	Components	Comments
G4EmStandardPhysics	Default (QGSP_BERT, FTFP_BERT...)	ATLAS, and other HEP productions, other applications
G4EmStandardPhysics_option1	Fast due to simple step limitation, cuts used by photon processes (FTFP_BERT_EMV)	Similar to one used by CMS, good for crystals, not good for sampling calorimeters
G4EmStandardPhysics_option2	Experimental: updated photon models and bremsstrahlung on top of Opt1	Similar to one used by LHCb

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Constructor	Components	Comments
G4EmStandardPhysics_option3	standard models when applicable	The most accurate standard
G4EmStandardPhysics_option4	photon models from Livermore and Penelope, Penelope ionisation for e-	The most accurate EM physics
G4EmLivermore	Livermore models when applicable	Livermore
G4EmPenelope	Penelope models when applicable	Penelope
G4EmLivermorePolarized	Polarized models	
G4EmDNA	Example of DNA physics	

How to use the already available physics constructors ?

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- These classes derive from the `G4VPhysicsConstructor` abstract base class
- The **source code** for physics list constructors is available in the following directory
 - ▣ `source/physics_list/builders`
- An implementation example of physics list that uses **EM physics constructors** is available in
 - ▣ `examples/extended/electromagnetic/TestEm2`
 - ▣ `easy`
 - in the header file of your physics list, declare : `G4VPhysicsConstructor* emPhysicsList;`
 - in the implementation file of your physics list : `emPhysicsList = new G4EmDNAPhysics();`
 - then, in the `ConstructParticle()` method of your physics list, call the `ConstructParticle()` method of `emPhysicsList`
 - and in the `ConstructProcess()` method of your physics list, call the `ConstructProcess()` method of `emPhysicsList`
- If some **hadronic physics** is needed additionally to EM Physics
 - ▣ `examples/extended/electromagnetic/TestEm7`
- These constructors are added to the **Geant4 reference physics lists** via the method `RegisterPhysics (G4VPhysicsConstructor*)`
 - ▣ See `source/physics_list/lists` subdirectory

User interfaces and helper classes

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- **G4EmCalculator**
 - ▣ easy access to cross sections and stopping powers (TestEm0)
- **G4EmProcessOptions**
 - ▣ C++ interface to EM options alternative to UI commands
- **G4EmSaturation**
 - ▣ Birks effect (recombination effects)
- **G4ElectronIonPair**
 - ▣ sampling of ionisation clusters in gaseous or silicon detectors
- **G4EmConfigurator**
 - ▣ add models per energy range and geometry region

Example: G4EmStandardPhysics

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```
G4PhysicsListHelper* ph = G4PhysicsListHelper::GetPhysicsListHelper();
G4String particleName = particle->GetParticleName();

if ( particleName == "gamma" ) {
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4PhotoElectricEffect, particle);
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4ComptonScattering, particle);
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4GammaConversion, particle);

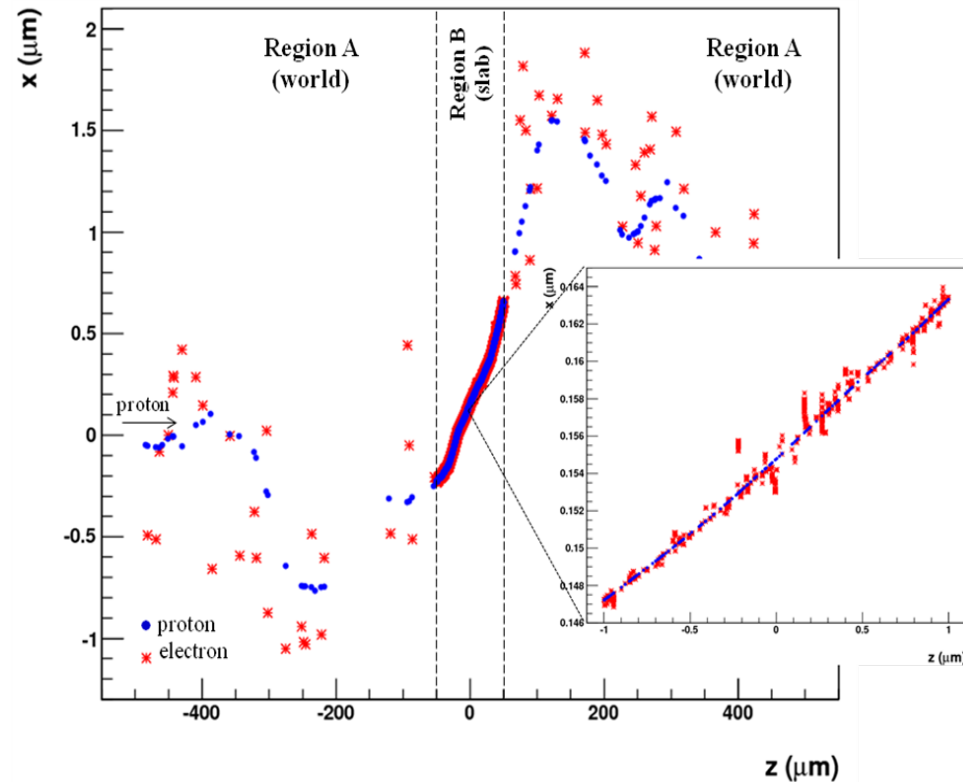
} else if ( particleName == "e+" ) {
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4eMultipleScattering, particle);
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4eIonisation, particle);
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4eBremsstrahlung, particle);
    ph->RegisterPhysics(new G4eplusAnnihilation, particle);
}
```

- G4PhysicsListHelper provides
 - ▣ Activation of a process AtRest, AlongStep, PostStep according to the process SubType
 - ▣ Process ordering for process manager

Specialized **models per G4Region**: example of Geant4-DNA physics

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- Standard EM physics constructor as a base
- **G4EmConfigurator** is used to add Geant4-DNA models
- Geant4-DNA models are enabled only in the small **G4Region** for energy below 10 MeV
- CPU performance optimisation



How to **extract** Physics ?

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- Possible to retrieve Physics quantities using a **G4EmCalculator** object
- Physics List should be **initialized**
- Example for retrieving the total cross section of a process with name **procName**, for **particle** and material **matName**

```
#include "G4EmCalculator.hh"
...
G4EmCalculator emCalculator;

G4Material* material =
    G4NistManager::Instance()->FindOrBuildMaterial(matName) ;

G4double density = material->GetDensity() ;

G4double massSigma = emCalculator.ComputeCrossSectionPerVolume
    (energy,particle,procName,material)/density;

G4cout << G4BestUnit(massSigma, "Surface/Mass") << G4endl;
```

- A good example: **\$G4INSTALL/examples/extended/electromagnetic/TestEm14**.
Look in particular at the **RunAction.cc** class

Documentation and Web sites

Suggestions

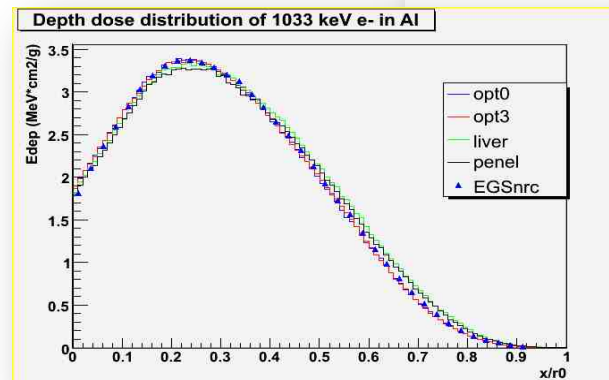
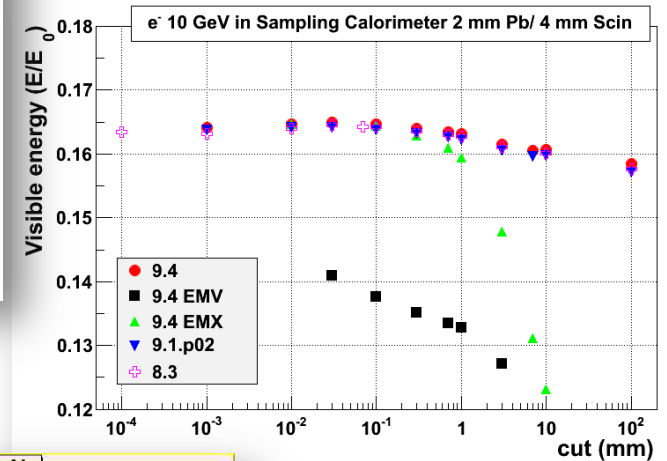
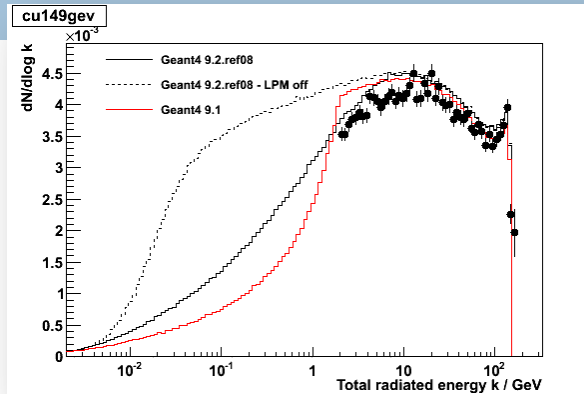
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- The list of available EM processes and models is maintained by the EM working groups, see more in the EM web pages
 - http://cern.ch/geant4/collaboration/working_groups/electromagnetic/index.shtml
- Geant4 extended and advanced examples show how to use EM processes and models
 - ▣ Located in examples
- Visit the Geant4 HyperNews forum, section “electromagnetic processes” for discussion
- Use Geant4 bug report system for problems
- User feedback is always welcome

Validation repository

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- A web-based verification tool has been developed for easy comparison of EM physics results obtained with different Geant4 version, and with measurements



https://geant4.cern.ch/collaboration/working_groups/electromagnetic/indexv.shtml

To learn more

\$G4INSTALL/examples/extended/electromagnetic

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Check basic quantities

Total cross sections, mean free paths ...

TestEm0, Em13, Em14

Stopping power, particle range ...

Em0, Em1, Em5, Em11, Em12

Final state : energy spectra, angular distributions

Em14

Energy loss fluctuations

Em18

Multiple Coulomb scattering

as an isolated mechanism

Em15

as a result of particle transport

Em5

More global verifications

Single layer: transmission, absorption, reflexion , atomic deexcitation, msc

Em5

Bragg curve, tallies

Em7

Depth dose distribution

Em11, Em12

Shower shapes, Moliere radius

Em2

Sampling calorimeters, energy flow

Em3

Crystal calorimeters

Em9

Other specialized programs

High energy muon physics

Em17

Other rare, high energy processes

Em6

Synchrotron radiation

Em16

Transition radiation

Em8

Photo-absorption-ionization model

Em10

Refer to section on
extended examples in
App. User Guide.

Web sites

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- A **unique** reference web page on Geant4 EM Physics
 - ▣ <http://geant4.cern.ch/collaboration/EMindex.shtml>
- From there, links to
 - ▣ Geant4 **Standard Electromagnetic Physics working group** pages
 - ▣ Geant4 **Low Energy Electromagnetic Physics working group** pages
- Also from Geant4 web site
 - ▣ <http://geant4.org>
 - Who we are
 - Standard Electromagnetic Physics
 - Low Energy Electromagnetic Physics

EM Physics TWiki

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<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/Geant4/ElectromagneticPhysics>

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Introduction

The electromagnetic physics domain includes Geant4 sub-packages for simulation of electromagnetic interactions of charged particles, gammas and optical photons. This is central TWiki page for Geant4 EM physics maintained by common efforts of the EM Standard and EM Low-energy working groups.

Working Group pages

- [Electromagnetic Physics Home](#)
- [Electromagnetic Standard working group page](#)
- [Electromagnetic Standard working group coordination TWiki](#)
- [Low Energy Electromagnetic working group page](#)
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The Geant4 Low Energy Electromagnetic Physics Working Group

This web site is the **official web site** of the Geant4 collaboration Low Energy Electromagnetic Physics working group.

Purpose

The Geant4 Low Energy Electromagnetic Physics Working Group develops and maintains a set of models to describe the **electromagnetic interactions of photons, electrons, hadrons and ions with matter down to very low energies (eV scale)**, including the **Geant4-DNA project** ([link1](#) - [link2](#) - [link3](#)). Applications of such models range from high energy physics experiments to space science and astrophysics to the medical and biological fields. After several years of separation, these activities now take place in **full collaboration** with the [Standard Electromagnetic Physics working group](#) of the Geant4 collaboration.

What's new in Geant4 9.6+P01 ? (February 2013)

- [Overview](#) of our most recent developments.
- Version **6.32** of the set of Low Energy electromagnetic data files is required.
- [Bug notification](#) affecting the **G4EmLivermorePhysics** constructor in releases Geant4 9.6 and 9.6P01.

Physics

- [Processes](#) is a link to the catalog of **Geant4 low energy electromagnetic Physics processes** and to other useful information related to these processes.
- [Physics Lists](#) describes **recommended Physics lists** for applications involving low energy electromagnetic Physics processes.
- [Examples](#) recommended for the **usage of Geant4 electromagnetic Physics**.

Tools

- [Geant4 for VMware & VirtualBox](#) is a link to a **ready-to-use software suite allowing you to run entirely freely Geant4 (a so-called Geant4 Virtual Machine) and associated tools on a Windows PC or Mac** under the VMware or VirtualBox software **without software installation needed**.
- Follow [Geant4VM](#) on Twitter for updates.
- Overview of [testing coverage](#)

Support

- [Release notes](#) is a summary of changes in the low energy package for each Geant4 release.
- [User support](#) is a link to the user forum electromagnetic processes category, where you can post your questions.

Communication and tutorials

- [Journal publications](#) lists all publications of the Geant4 collaboration, including electromagnetic Physics. In addition, our publications related to the **Geant4-DNA project** are available from this [page](#).
- Tutorials are announced on the [Geant4 home page](#), in the **Events** and [Past events](#) sections.

Collaborators

- The **official list of Geant4 collaboration members** belonging to this working group for the current year is available from this [page](#).
- [Institutions](#) gives links to Geant4 web sites of institutions involved in this working group.

Our working group is open to any new collaborator. New collaborators will have the possibility to join officially the Geant4 collaboration after significant contribution to this working group and after approval by the Geant4 steering board.