# Single precision support in VecGeom

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## Initial goals

1. Fix the failing unit tests and benchmarks

- 2. Reduce or eliminate the amount of errors in shape tester
  - a. All shapes were failing with large number of errors

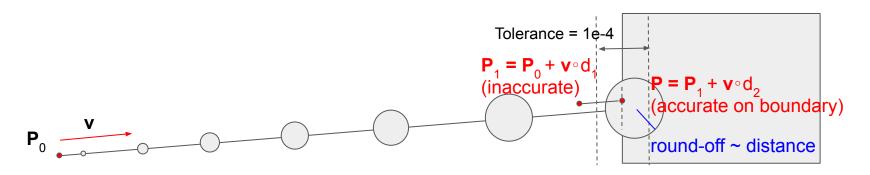
- 3. Add single precision support to AdePT, reproduce example images and measure performance changes
  - a. At this point, AdePT was not compiling with single precision support

#### Unit tests and benchmarks

- All unit tests and benchmarks successfully pass
  - Adjusting per-solid tolerances
  - Adjusting global tolerances
  - Eliminating extreme decimal numbers from tests
  - ApproachSolid utility

# ApproachSolid utility

- Created to reduce propagation related rounding errors
- Implemented as VUnplacedVolume::ApproachSolid()
- Propagates a distant point to the bounding box of volume
  - Bounding boxes are now stored for each solid in VUnplacedVolume and calculated during construction using the existing VUnplacedVolume::Extent()
  - Checks for correct calculation added to ctest
- Used in the unit tests, shape tester and AdePT Raytracer



#### Shape Tester

- Every single shape was failing with large number of errors
- Nine shapes are completely fixed
- Some shapes produce low number of errors, needs per-case fixing
- More complex shapes still fail with rather large number of errors
- Results achieved with:
  - Changing data types in ShapeTester
  - Using ApproachSolid utility
  - Changing per-shape tolerances

Shape	Unit	Bench	sc	SIP	SOP	SSP	SSFI	SSFO	SSD	SADTI	SFAP	SSN	SC=Consistency
Box	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	SIP=InsidePoint SOP=OutsidePoint
Cone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	SSP=SurfacePoint
CutTube	0	0	0	0	230	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	SSFI=SafetyFromInside SSFO=SafetyFromOutside
Ellipsoid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	SSD=ShapeDistances
EllipticalCone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	SADTI=AccuracyDistanceTo SFAP=FarAwayPoints SSN=ShapeNormal
EllipticalTube	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Extruded	0	0	0	347	64	49	30	0	0	37	0	151	
GenTrap	0	0	8744	-	23729	38	0	0	23	8	0	3363	
GenericPolycone	0	0	841	2	32	9	129	0	5	124	0	3089	
Нуре	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3333	
MultiUnion	0	0	0	149	110889	0	0	0	0	202	333	239	
Orb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Paraboloid	0	0	0	4768157	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	1398250	
Parallelepiped	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Polycone	0	0	13	58	138	66	0	0	2	18	0	47	
Polyhedron	0	0	776	3155	6948	767	4	0	4	632	0	2956	
SExtru	0	0	64	100055	100128	0	0	0	62	0	39	0	
Sphere	0	0	0	0	1	215183	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tessellated	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	14	0	333	
Tet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Torus2	0	0	8	11878	20193	4	1063	0	10	109	3	3091	
Trapezoid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Trd	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
Tube	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

### AdePT Raytracer

- AdePT now compiles when using single precision
- Raytracer produces the same image in single precision for trackML and box\_sphere examples
- We measured significant increase in performance:
  - 6.39 % speedup and 27.2 % less memory used in box\_sphere
  - 49.85 % speedup and 27.2 % less memory used in trackML

