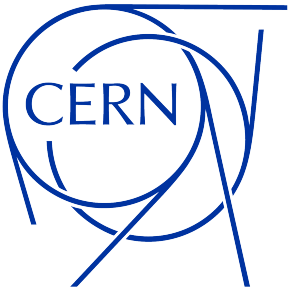


# Results from the Geant4 ATLAS HEC test-beam simulation

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Today's topic.

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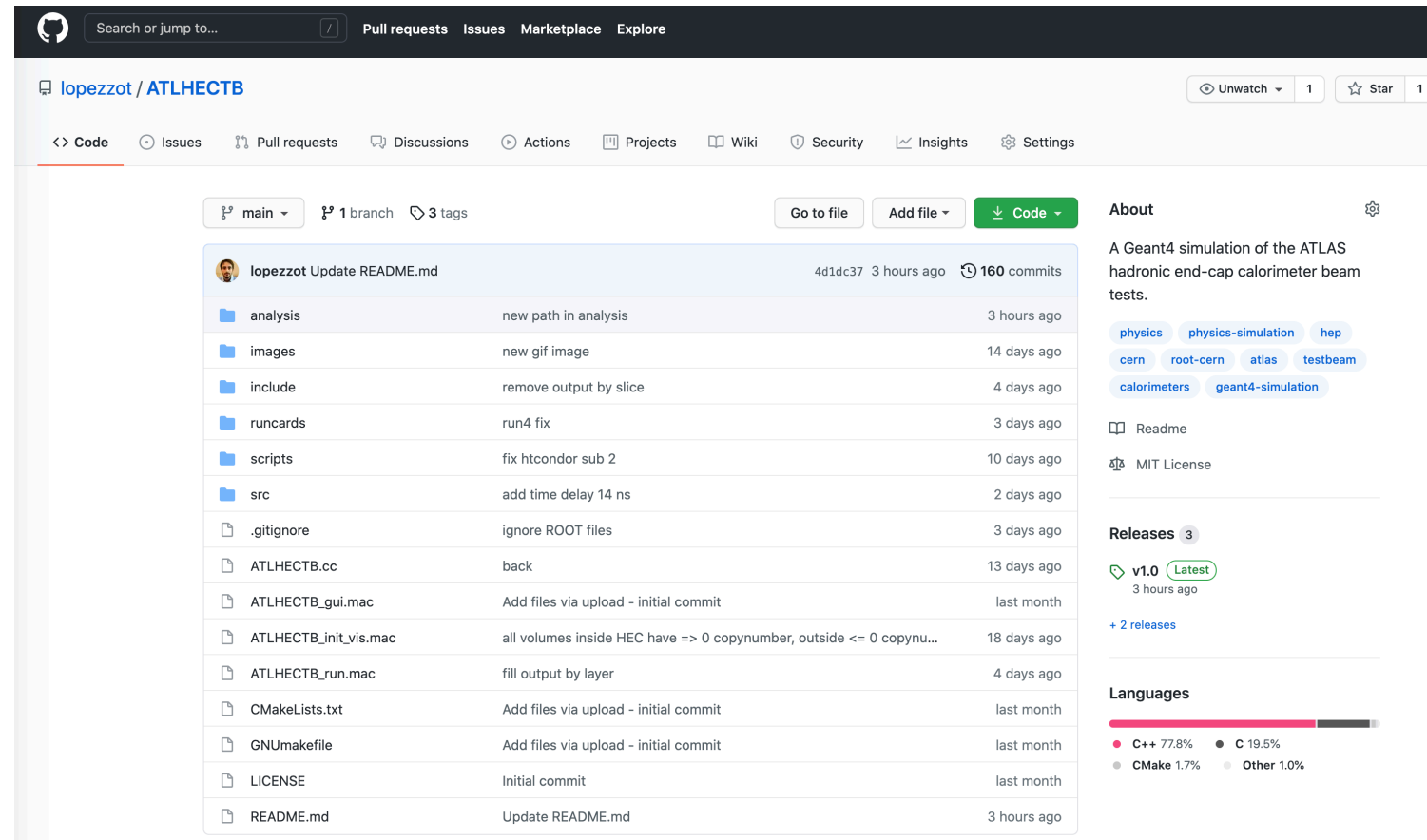


To be done.

# ATLHECTB

A Geant4 simulation of the ATLAS hadronic end-cap calorimeter beam tests.

- Code and geometry presented at the the meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup> [\[link\]](#).
- [github](#) [\[link\]](#).
- **v1.0** released on 14/6/2021.
- 850k events ( $e^-$ ,  $\pi^-$ ) events produced with **HTCondor** with no crashes and no warnings.
- Documentation available in **README.md**.
- All results in the following obtained with ATLHECTB **v1.1**



The screenshot displays the GitHub repository page for 'lopezot / ATLHECTB'. The repository is currently on the 'main' branch, which has 1 branch and 3 tags. The repository contains 160 commits, with the most recent commit being 'Update README.md' by lopezot, made 3 hours ago. The repository structure is as follows:

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scripts	fix htcondor sub 2	10 days ago
src	add time delay 14 ns	2 days ago
.gitignore	ignore ROOT files	3 days ago
ATLHECTB.cc	back	13 days ago
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ATLHECTB_init_vis.mac	all volumes inside HEC have => 0 copynumber, outside <= 0 copynu...	18 days ago
ATLHECTB_run.mac	fill output by layer	4 days ago
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GNUmakefile	Add files via upload - initial commit	last month
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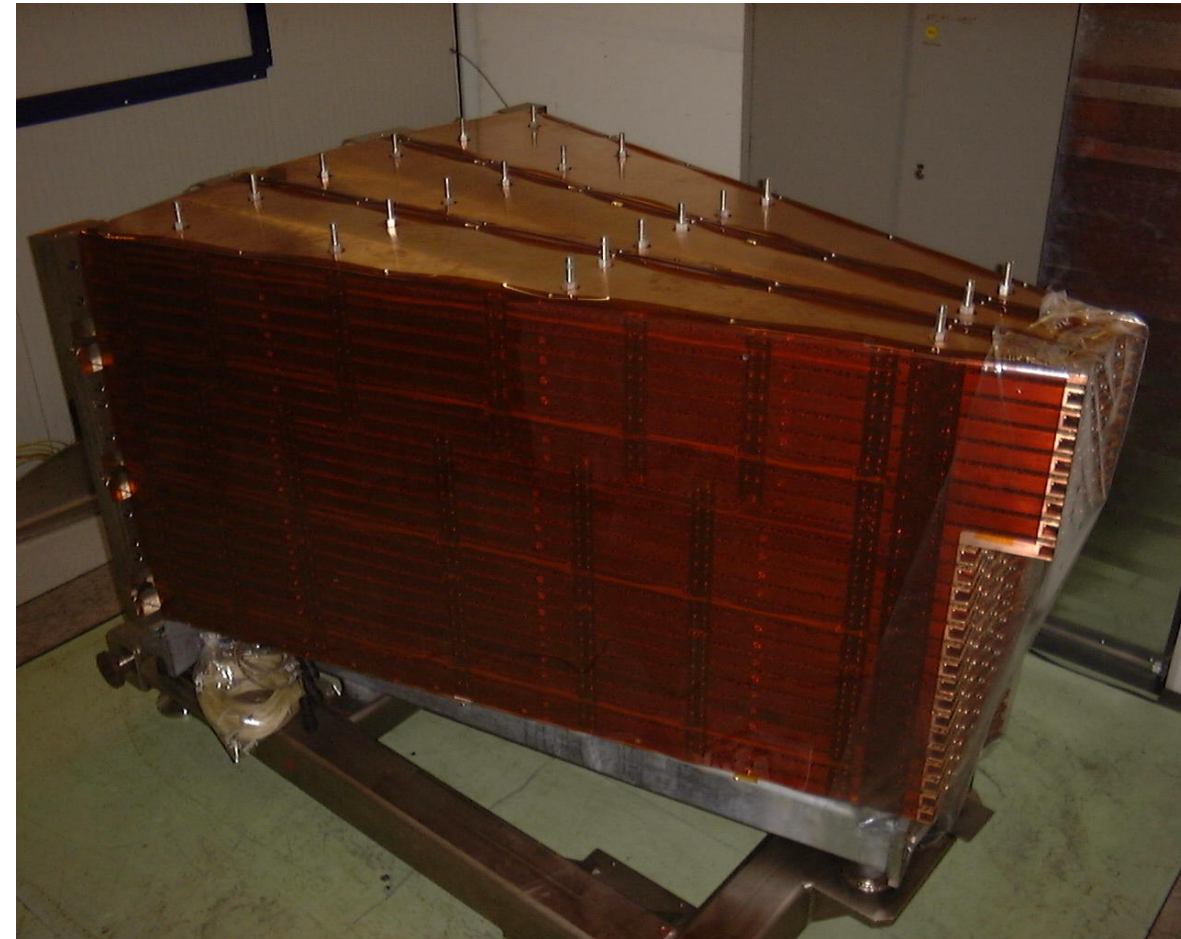
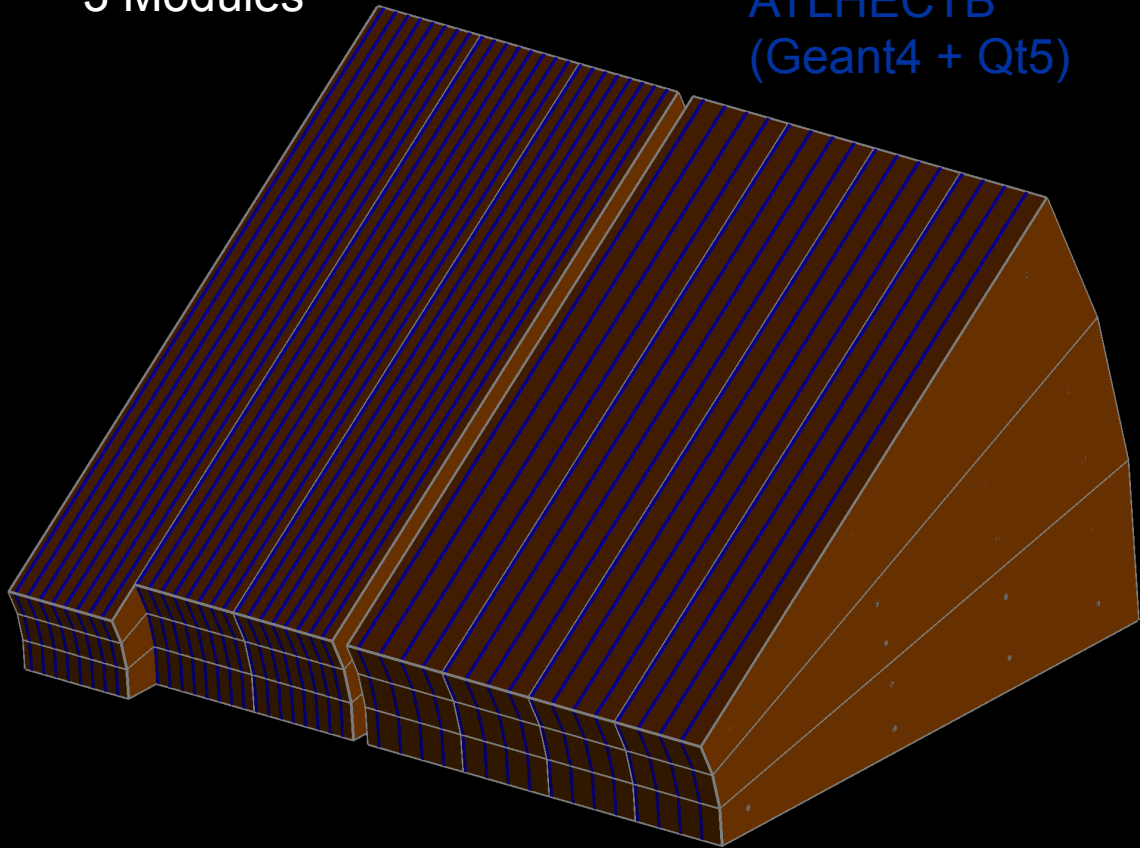
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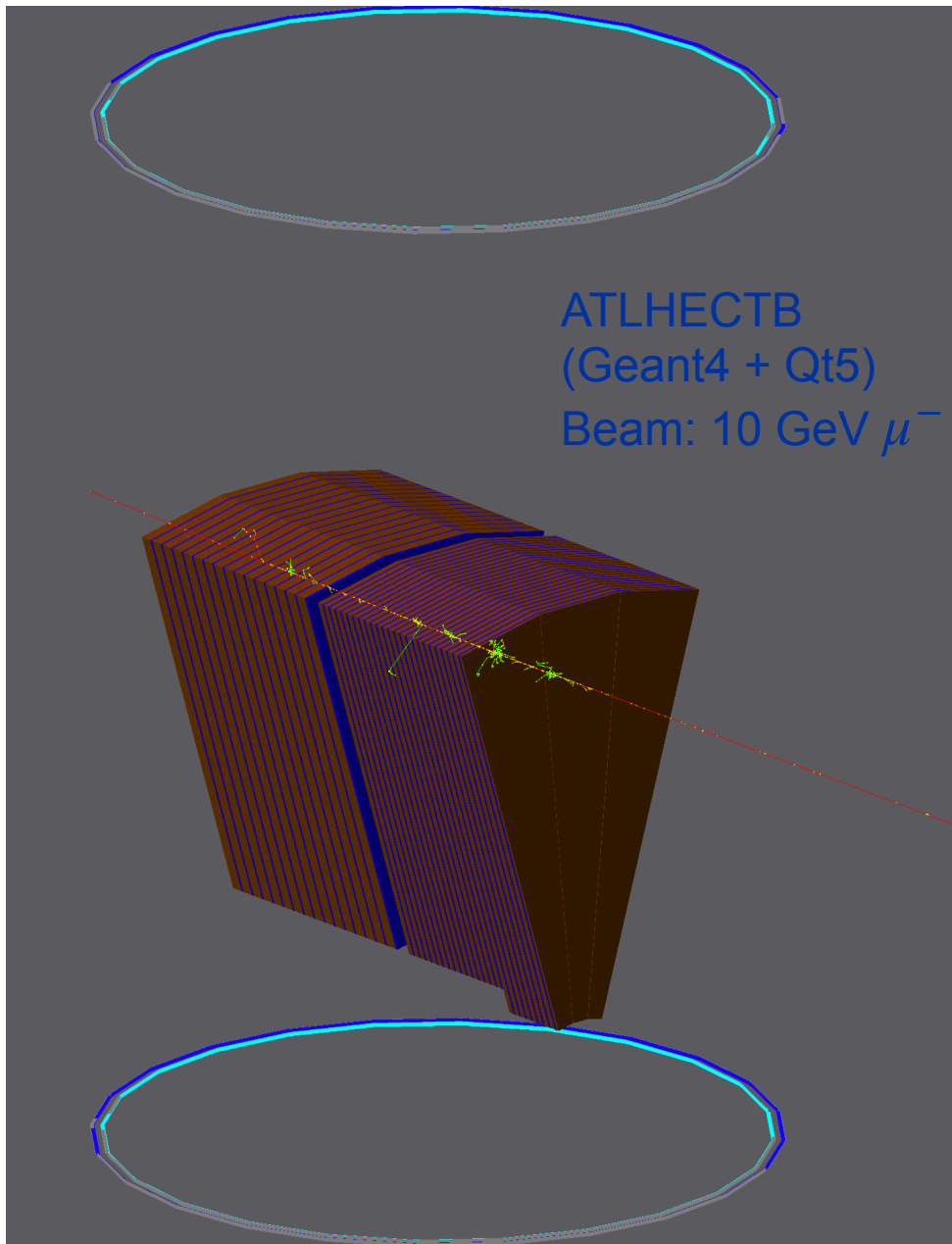
Picture from ATLAS HEC  
test beam (2000/2001).

[\[link\]](#)

3 Modules

ATLHECTB  
(Geant4 + Qt5)





- In the **test beam configuration** three modules are immersed in the cryostat.
- **Beam particles** pass through module 2 at **90°** with respect to the HEC surface.
- Results in the following obtained with this beam setup.

# ATLHECTB signal computation

- Recombination of ions in LAr is dealt with a law inspired by the Birks Law for light emitting elements:

$$\Delta E' = \frac{\Delta E \cdot A}{1 + (k/E_f)(1/\rho)(\Delta E/\Delta x)}$$

$E_f = 10$  kV/cm - electric field in LAr gaps

$\rho = 1.396$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> - LAr density

$E_{min} = 1.51$  MeVcm<sup>2</sup>/g - LAr minimal energy losses

$k = 0.0486$  kV/cm g/MeVcm<sup>2</sup> - Birks Law parameter

$A = 1 + (k/E_f) \cdot E_{min}$  - Birks Law parameter

- **Same parameterization adopted in ATHENA.**
- **Each ionizing energy deposit in LAr ( $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta x$ ) is used as input for  $\Delta E'$  calculation.**
- **No electronic noise or signal smearing included so far.**



# ATLHECTB event data model

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- The HEC Module readout channels define a granularity of

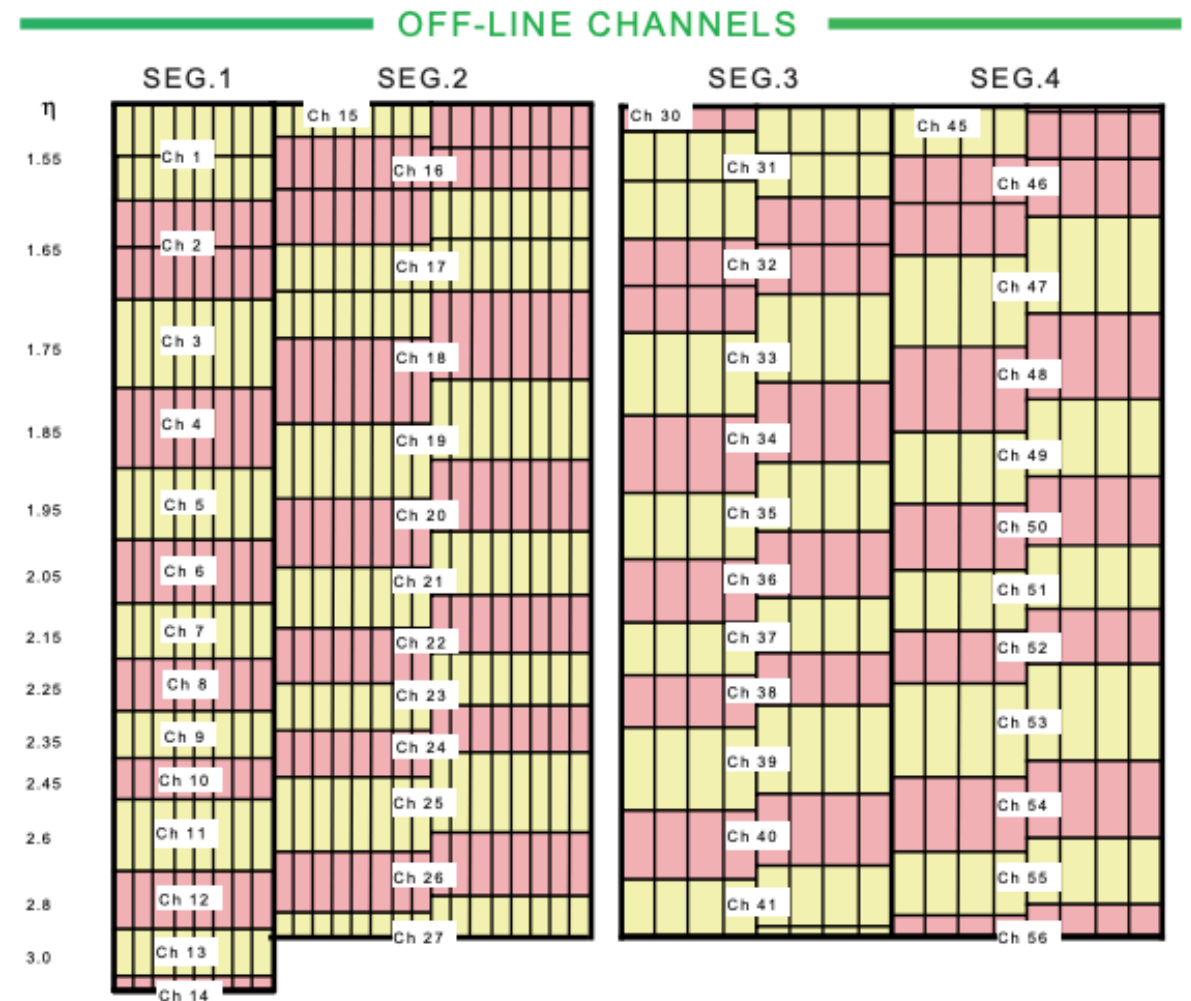
$$\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.1 \times 0.1 \text{ for } |\eta| < 2.5$$

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Table 1: Parameters of HEC longitudinal layers

Layer	Wheel	Number of LAr gaps	Layer length		Number of channels per module
			[cm]	$[\lambda_{\text{int}}]$	
1	HEC1	8	28.05	1.45	24
2	HEC1	16	53.60	2.75	23
3	HEC2	8	53.35	2.87	21
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- 88 channels per module.  
88 channels x 3 modules in the TB configuration.

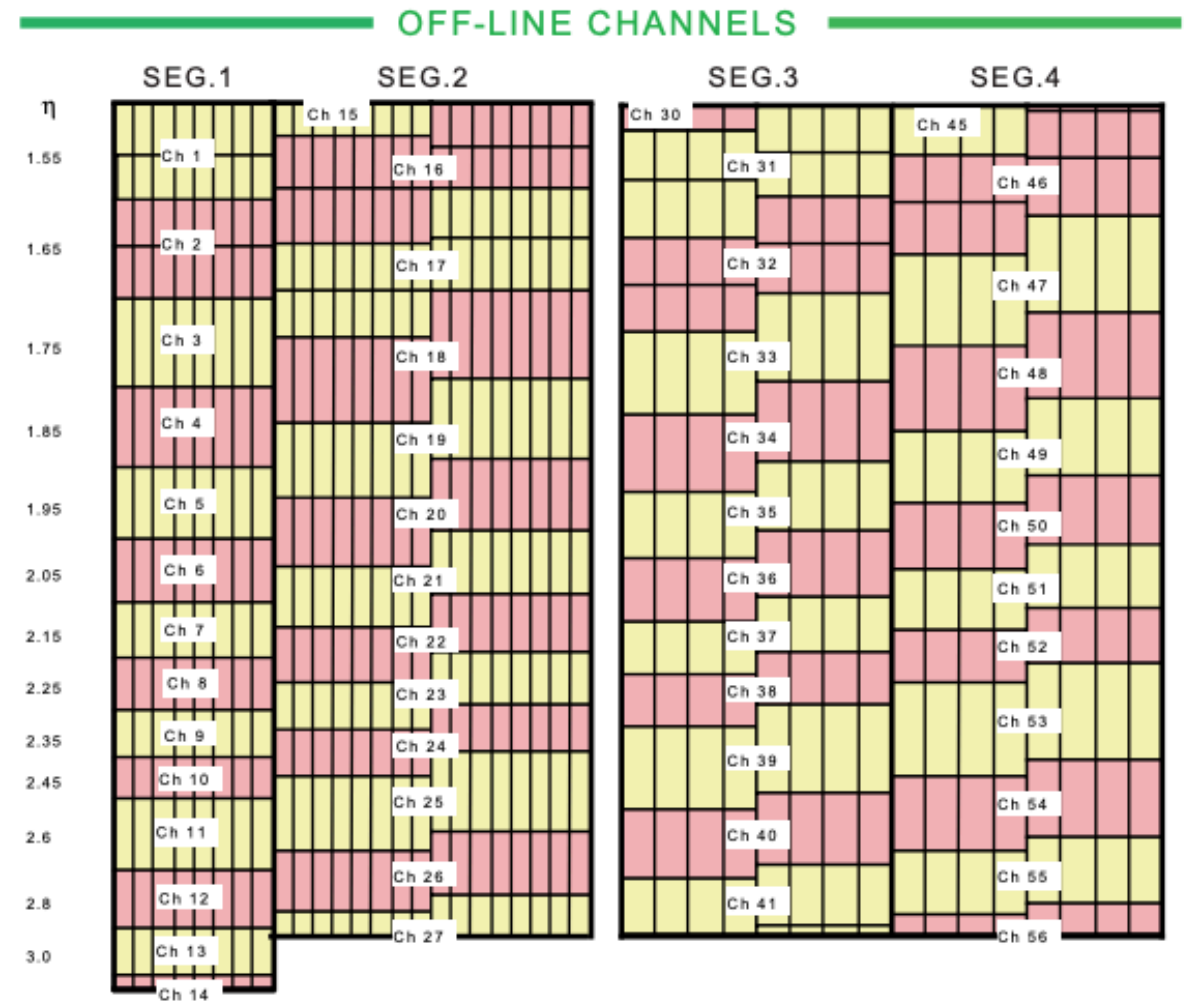




# ATLHECTB channels selection

Found at [[Link](#)]

- $e^-$  events are reconstructed from the 7 channels with, on average, the highest signal.  
The 7 channels are selected once and kept for every event at every beam energy.
- $\pi^-$  events are reconstructed starting from the channels that, on average, have a signal greater than 2.1 MeV (15 nA) at 180 GeV.  
50 channels were selected and kept fixed at every event at every beam energy.



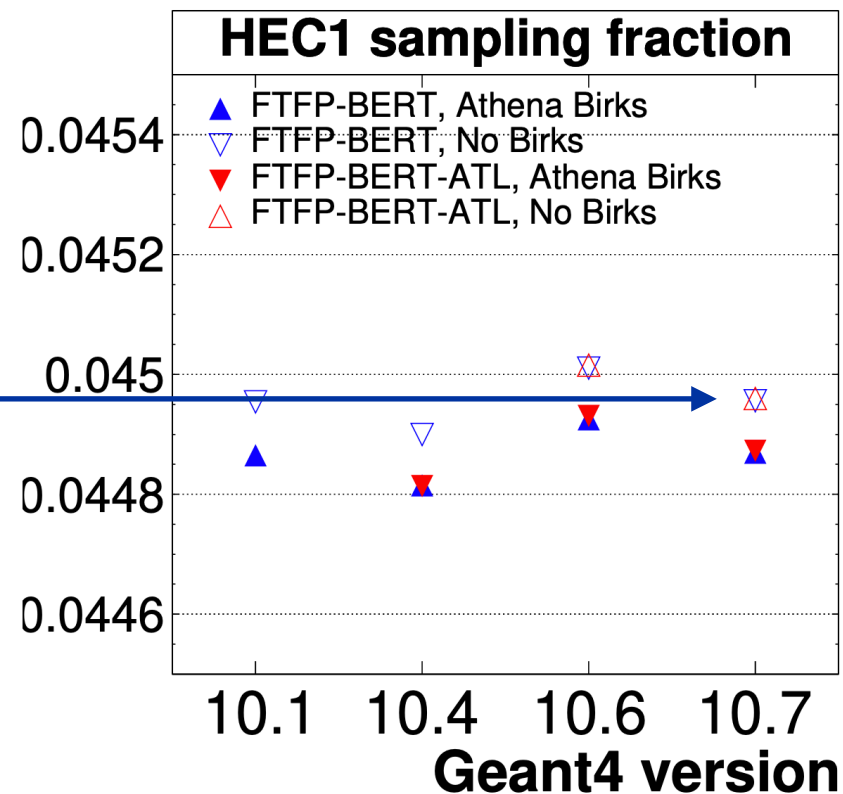
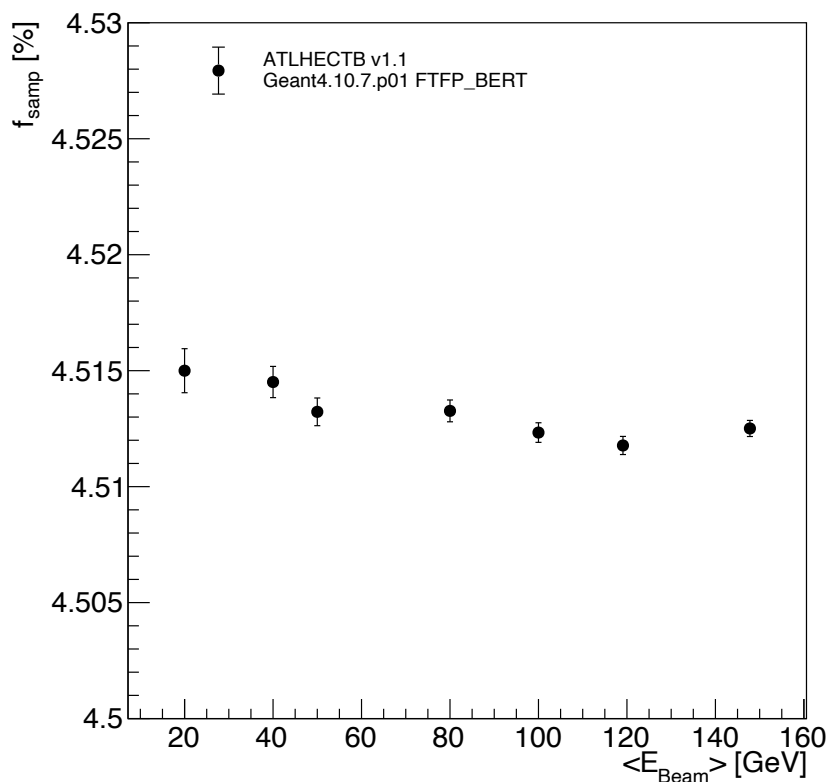
# $e^-$ results and comparison with ATLAS

## ATLHECTB

Sampling fraction estimated as energy deposited in calo divided by total visible energy.

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Sampling fraction estimation.  
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Very encouraging agreement between ATLHECTB and ATLAS SW.

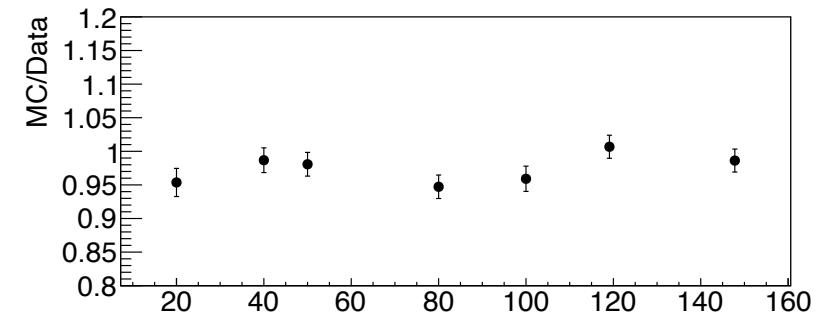
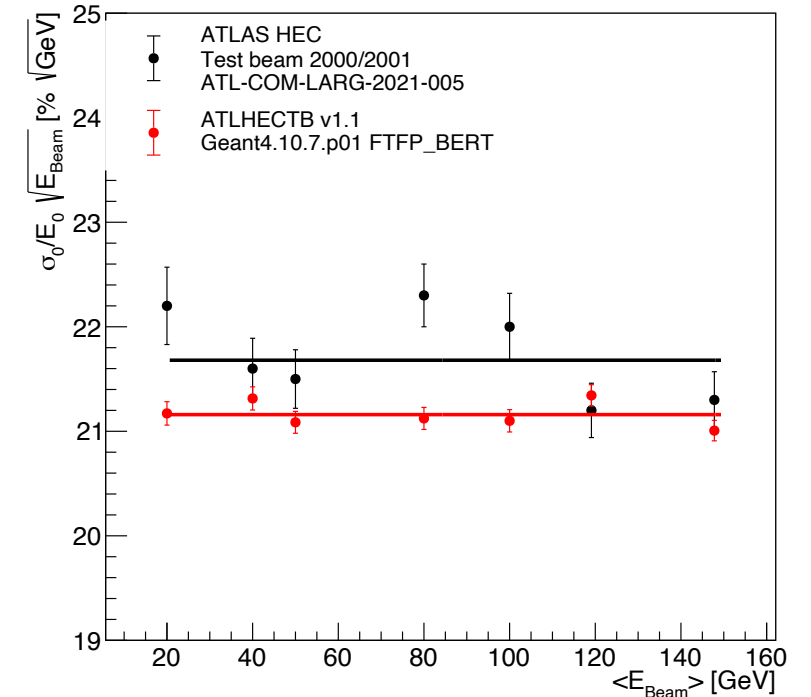


# $e^-$ results and comparison with ATLAS

- The **calorimeter response to electrons** was found to be constant and used as a **gauge to reconstruct beam energies**.  
A gaussian fit was performed over energy distributions and used for **energy resolution** measurements.
- Can be directly compared to TB results (ATL-COM-LARG-2021-005) as ATLAS quotes

**[link]** 
$$\sigma_0 = \sqrt{\sigma_E^2 - \sigma_{noise}^2}$$

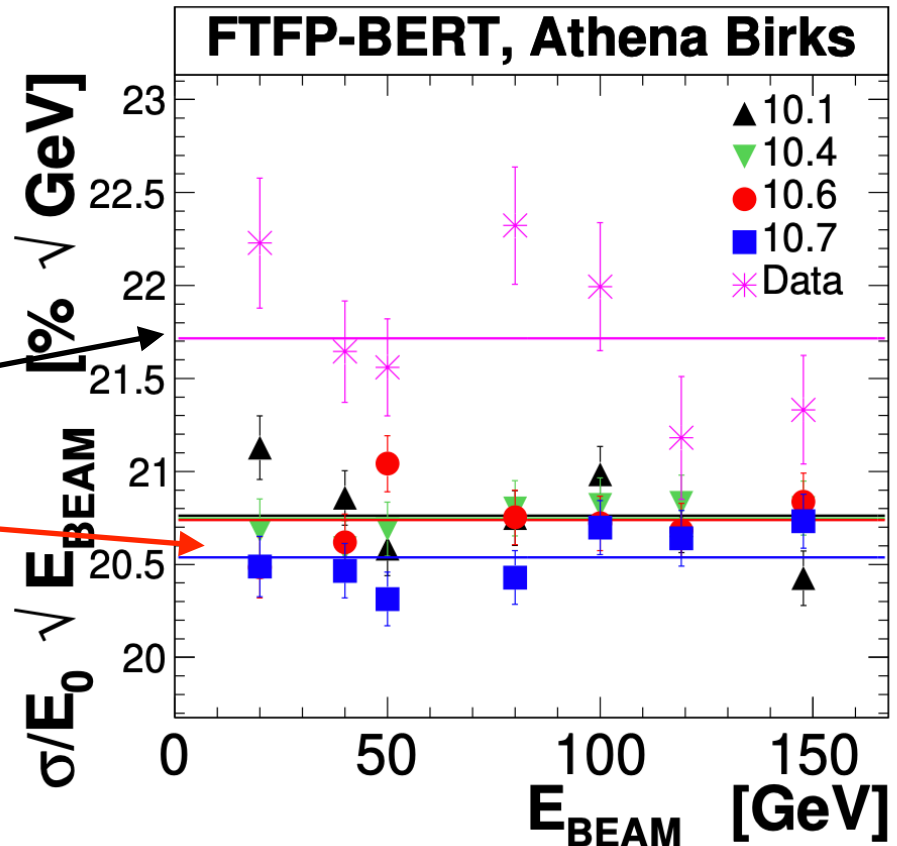
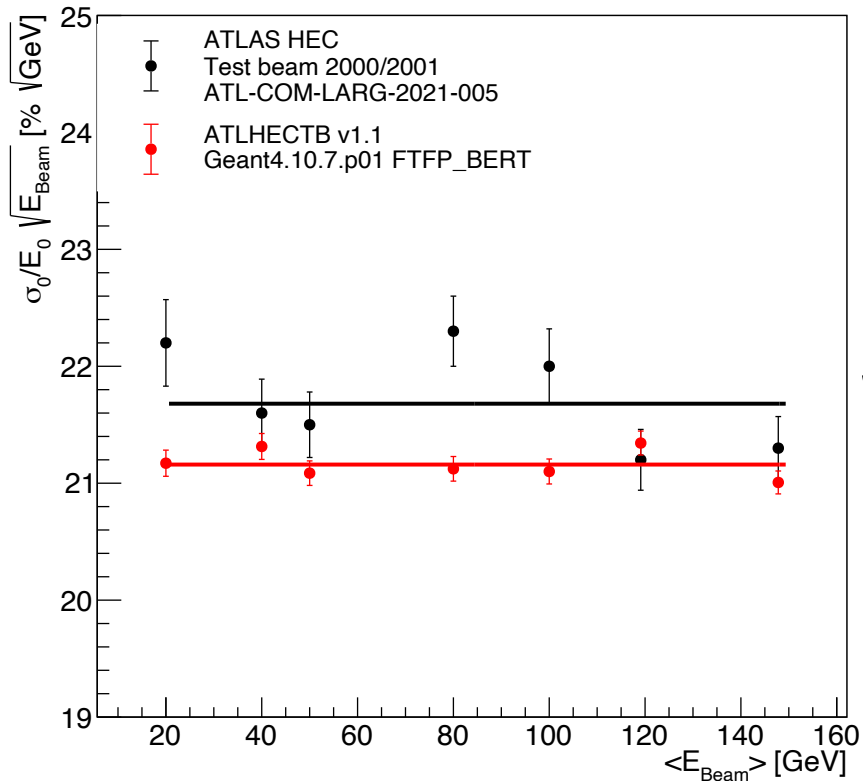
- ATLAS HEC TB 2000/2001:**  
 $A = 21.71 \pm 0.11 \% \sqrt{GeV}$
- ATLHECTB v1.1 FTFPBERT:**  
 $A = 21.16 \pm 0.04 \% \sqrt{GeV}$



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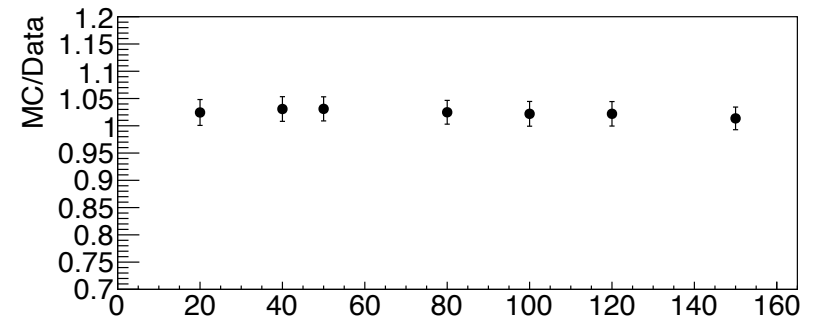
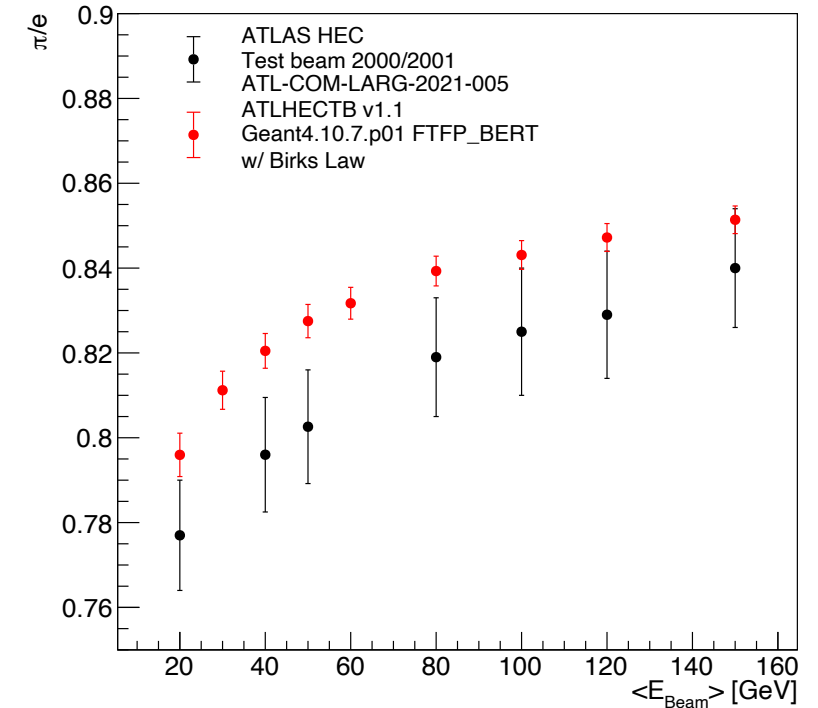
ATLHECTB v1.1  
FTFP\_BERT  
 $e^-$  energy resolution

ATLAS LAr Simulation  
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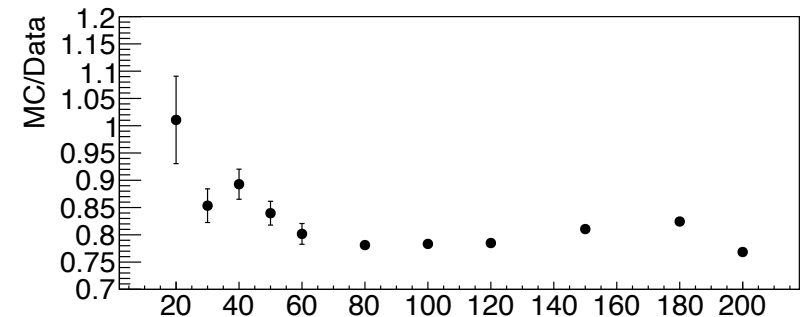
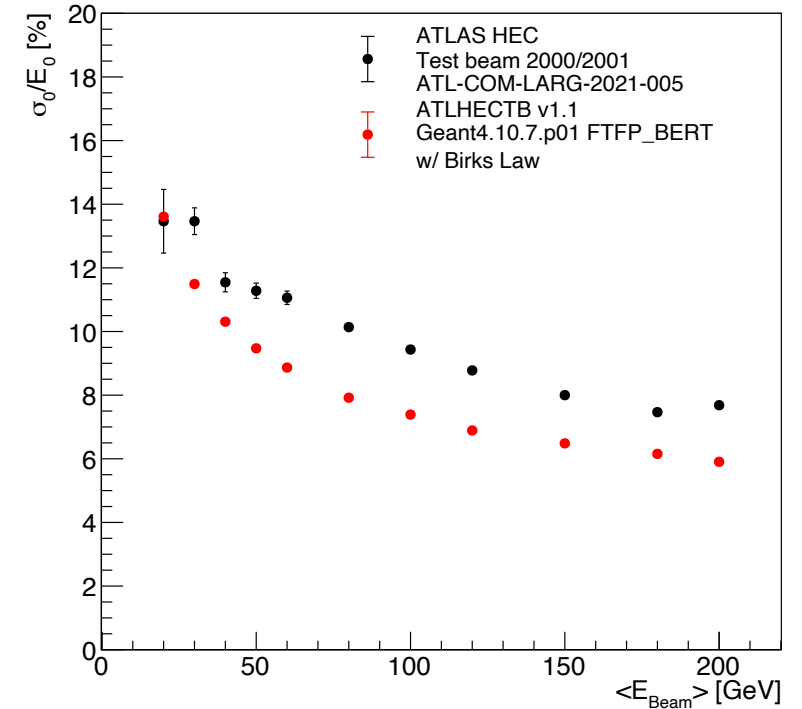
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- $\pi/e$  is obtained from the ratio of the average  $\pi$  reconstructed energy, using the em-response, and the corresponding average  $e^-$  reconstructed energy.
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# $\pi^-$ results and comparison with ATLAS

- $\pi^-$  energy resolution is obtained from a gaussian fit to the (asymmetric) energy distribution.
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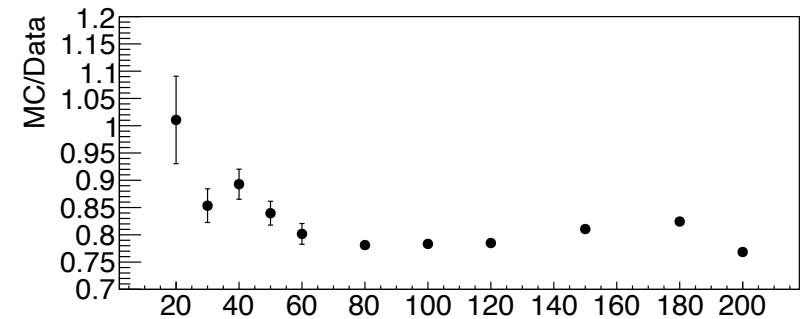
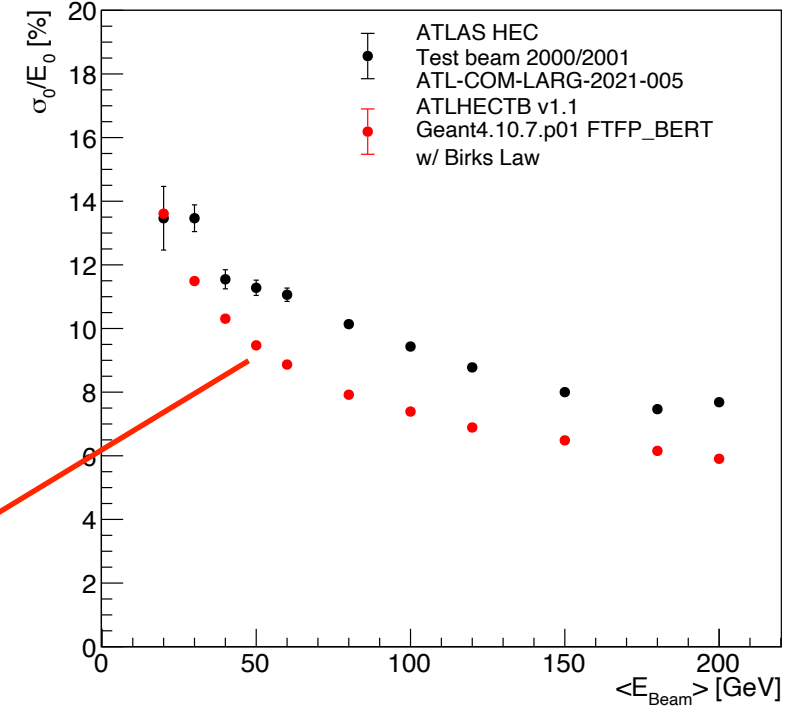
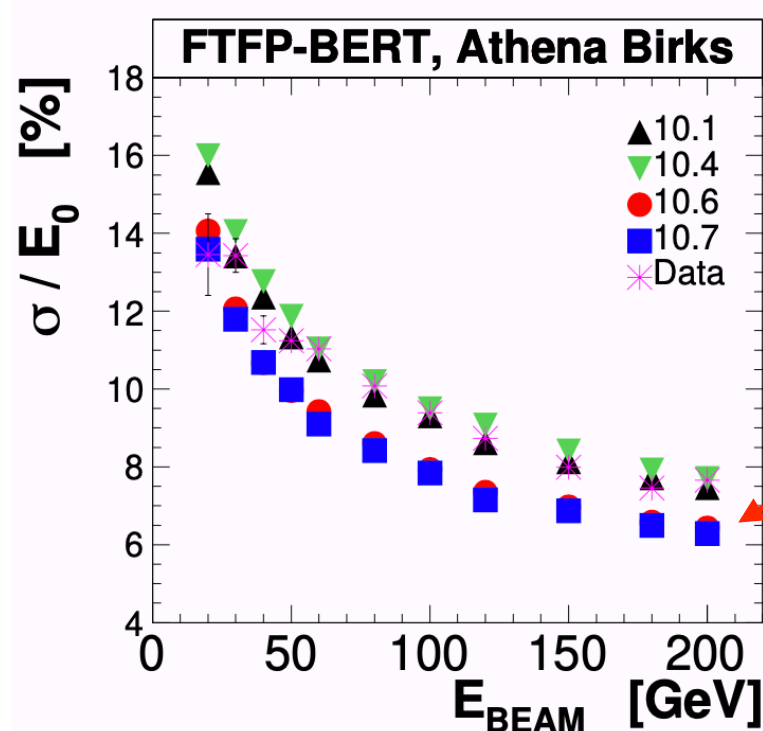


# $\pi^-$ results and comparison with ATLAS

- Same problem found with the ATLAS Simulation, linked to Geant4.10.7 version. Mostly recovered with previous versions.

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$\pi^-$  energy resolution  
(preliminary) [[link](#)]





# $\pi^-$ results

- Fraction of energy in each layer

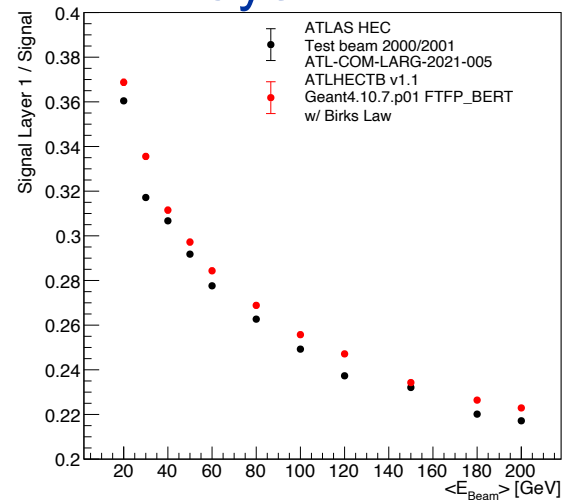
$$F_i = \langle E_i \rangle / E_{sum}, E_{sum} = \Sigma \langle E_i \rangle$$

- $F_i$  dependence on  $E_{beam}$  very well reproduced.

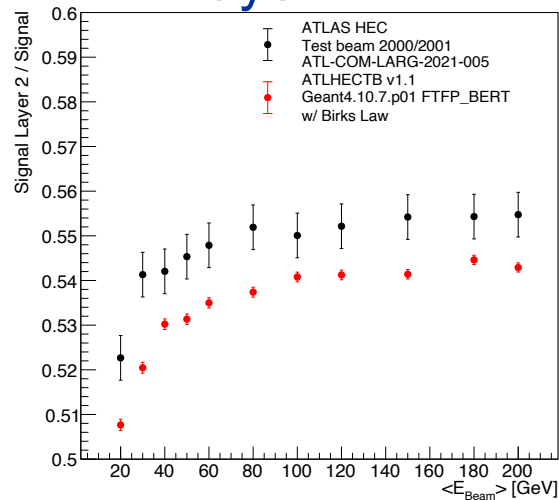
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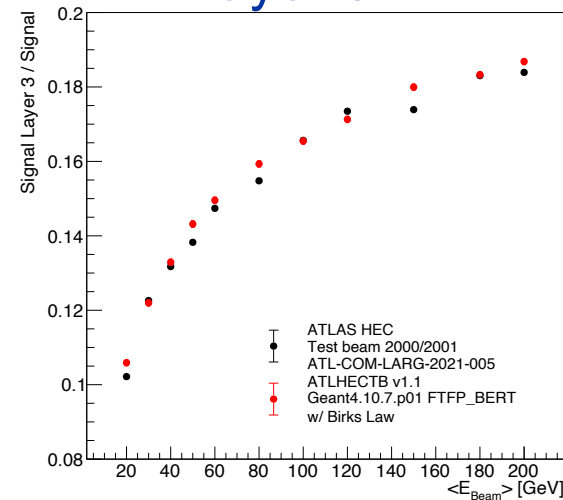
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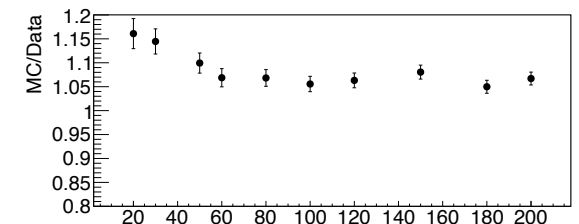
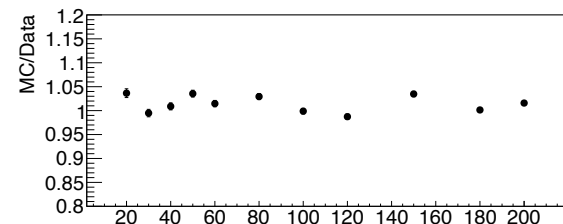
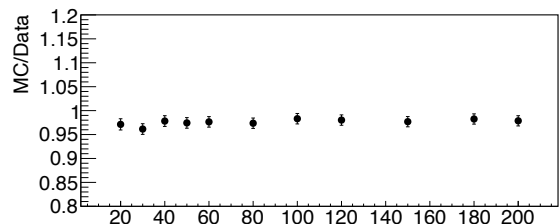
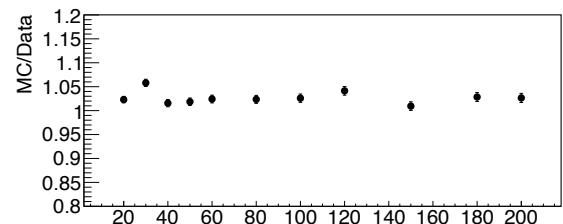
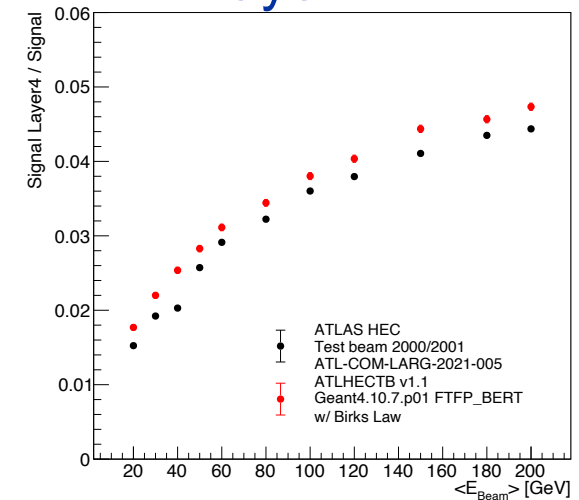
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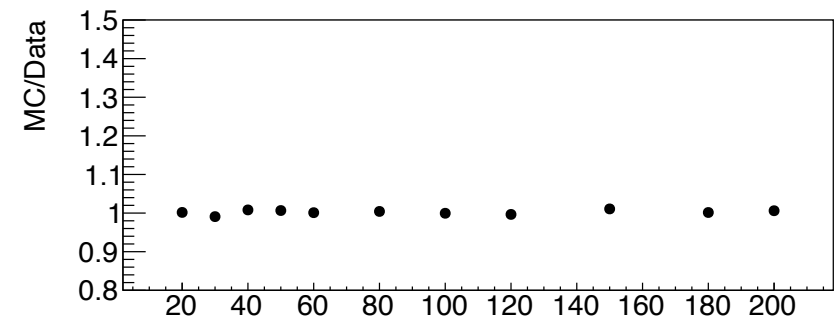
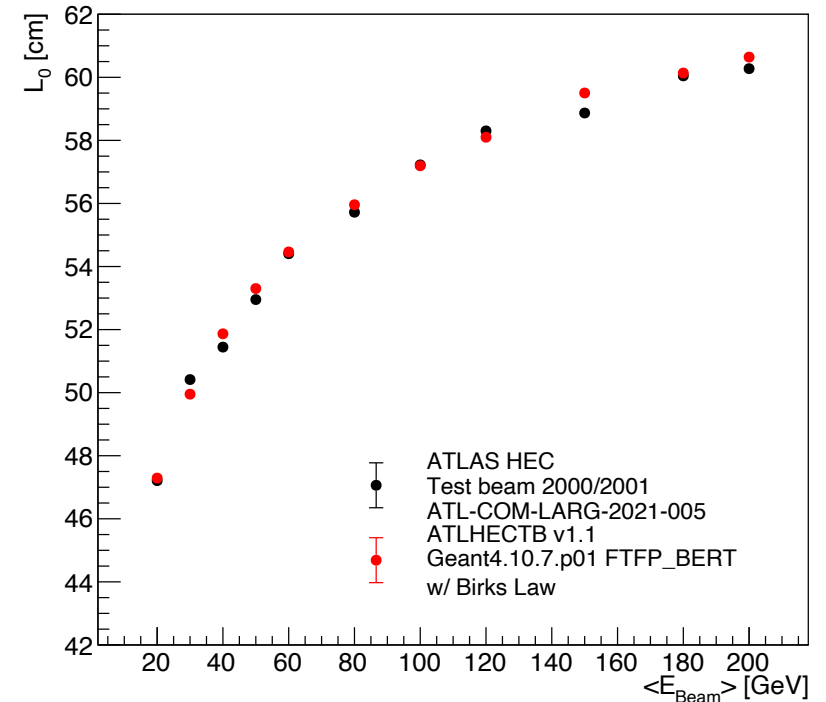


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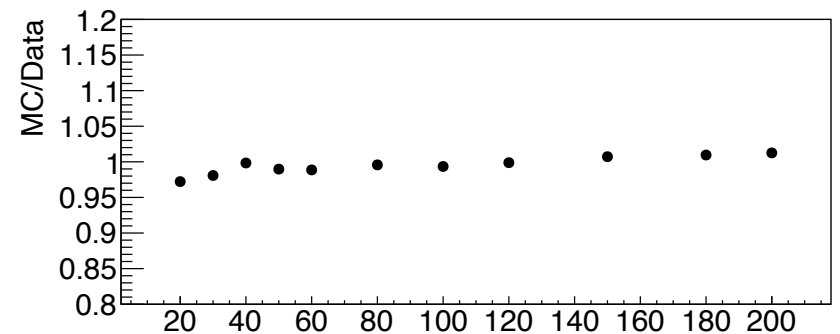
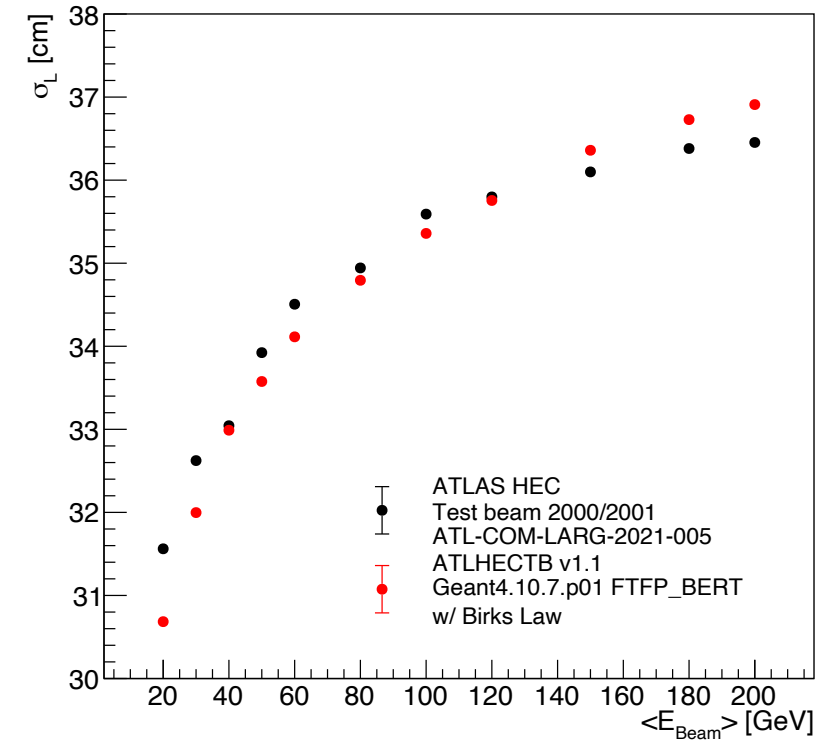
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# Conclusions

- A **Geant4 validation program** was recently started including ATLAS, Dual-readout and CALICE calorimeters.
- A **standalone Geant4 ATLAS HEC simulation** was written and is currently available.
- First results with  $e^-$  and  $\pi^-$  indicate **good agreement with the ATLAS SW and ATLAS HEC 2000/2001 TB data**.

## What next?

1. Spot the origin of the (small) differences w.r.t ATLAS SW (Using FTFP\_BERT and FTFP\_BERT\_ATL).
2. Adding ATLHECTB into geant-val.

# Backup material

# Sanity check results

- Performed some sanity checks to spot bugs.

$E_{vis}$  - total visible energy deposited in calo

$E_{leak}$  - total energy leaked (out of world leakage + energy in cryostat)

