

# GEANT4 11.0.p03 & 2022 planned developments

*kernel modules*

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# Outline

- Fixes introduced in patch releases 10.7.4, 11.0.2 and 11.0.3
  - Kernel modules
- Review of planned developments for 2022
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  - Physics (see talk after this)
- *Detailed patch release notes:*
  - <http://cern.ch/geant4-data/ReleaseNotes/Patch4.10.7-4.txt>
  - <http://cern.ch/geant4-data/ReleaseNotes/Patch.11.0-2.txt>
  - <http://cern.ch/geant4-data/ReleaseNotes/Patch.11.0-3.txt>
- *List of planned features for 2022:*
  - [http://cern.ch/geant4/support/planned\\_features](http://cern.ch/geant4/support/planned_features)

# Bugzilla tickets addressed

- [#2204](#) – Wrong sampling of scattering angle of light ion off Hydrogen
- [#2346](#) – Mess in density effect data for hydrogen and helium
- [#2466](#) – Degraded accuracy of the energy loss fluctuation (G4UniversalFluctuation model)
- [#2468](#) – G4NDL/Capture/FSMF6 photon treatment
- [#2471](#) – Segmentation fault in G4OpBoundaryProcess
- [#2474](#) – Incorrect value of the mean excitation energy (I) of carbon (G4\_C)
- [#2480](#) – In CMS FTFP\_BERT\_EMM electromagnetic response of the hadronic calorimeter is reduced
- [#2482](#) – Wrong setter called in G4OpWLS2
- [#2485](#) – geant4-config: wrong -l flag
- [#2486](#) – Extra warning/crashes when build compound materials in CMS
- [#2492](#) – /process/eLoss/StepFunctionIons does not work
- [#2495](#) – Problem dEdx and ranges for low-energy ions
- [#2502](#) – Crash during geometry test in multi-threaded simulation

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# Patches - Geometry & Persistency

- Solids/Boolean: 11.0.p02
  - G4UnionSolid: fix to add surface tolerance in Inside(p) for check on Z. Minor optimisation in constructors and in caching half-tolerance
- Management: 11.0.p03
  - Added protection in G4GeometryManager for Open/CloseGeometry() to be executed only by master thread
  - Addressing problem report [#2502](#)
- Navigation: 11.0.p02
  - In G4RegularNavigation, reset the zero step counter when a non-zero step is performed, to avoid aborted events
    - Based on [GitHub PR#38](#) report
- Volumes: 11.0.p02
  - Extended getter methods in volumes/solids stores to optionally return the last-found object
- Persistency/ASCII: 11.0.p02
  - In G4GDMLReadMaterials, fixed default temperature to 20° C (NTP\_Temperature)
  - Addressing the case of solid/volume name duplication when reading more than one GDML file

# Patches - Global, Parameterisations, Run

- Global:
  - In G4PhysicsModelCatalog, fixed typos in Bremsstrahlung models name
- Parameterisations:
  - Fix in GFLASH to make the HitMaker compatible with command-based scorer
- Run:
  - Fix in G4RunManagerKernel to check for correct state in the creation of the default exception handler

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# Patches – Materials, Particles

- Materials:

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- Fixed density effect correction for liquid hydrogen
  - Addressing problem report [#2346](#)
- In G4Material, reorganised AddElement(..) and AddMaterial(..) methods, to use temporary vector for allowing addition of the same elements during initialisation
  - Addressing problem report [#2486](#)
- G4NistMaterialBuilder: fixed mean ionisation potential of carbon to NIST value
  - Addressing problem report [#2474](#)

- Particles:

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- Fixes for transportation of hypernuclei and anti-hypernuclei

# Patches – Digits\_Hits, Configuration

- Digits\_Hits: 11.0.p02
  - Added missing virtual keywords in G4VScoringMesh
- Configuration:
  - Updated extraction of include paths from VecGeom to use imported target property 11.0.p03 10.7.p04
    - Addressing problem report [#2485](#)
  - Fix for CPack on Windows 11.0.p02

# 2022 Planned Developments

## *Kernel*

✓ In progress...

✓ Achieved already either in 11.1-beta or development releases



# Infrastructure

- Enhancements to Geant4 GitLab workflow ✓
  - Review use and integration of automatic performance monitoring tools
  - Additional Geant4Bot capabilities
- Modularization of Geant4 Libraries (global/granular/optional) ✓
  - Identify libraries/modules for merging, splitting, drop/add to a build
  - Profile modularization scheme to ensure performance is not affected
- Enhancements to build system ✓
  - Review mandatory and optional compiler flags needed to build and link to Geant4
- Optimization of Data Libraries
  - Simplify data library configuration/location
  - Review interfaces for data libraries, evaluate API and format changes
- Review need for dedicated sequential only build mode
  - Support sequential applications fully through Tasking Framework
- Move Geant4 web site to Jekyll with Git managed content ✓
- Migrate Geant4 Python module G4Py from Boost to pybind11 ✓
- Integration of automated performance monitoring ✓

# Geometry & Transportation

- VecGeom
  - Prototype study on surface bounded volumes ✓
  - Support for single precision in data structures and navigation API ✓
  - Improved CUDA support and portability of SIMD-aware solids ✓
  - Handling of construction and run-time errors
  - Implementation of missing shapes/entities in GDML reader ✓
  - Code simplification, removal of unused API/backends
  - Adoption of Gitlab CI & extended platforms support
- Validation/consolidation of interface with navigator based on VecGeom ✓
  - Improve robustness of current interface/adaptor to VecGeom navigator, testing & code integration
- Separate safety computation and its state from navigator
  - Loose coupling of navigator in computation of safety distances from geometrical boundaries
- Prototype navigation indexing class
  - An integer index identifying touchables & associated transportation process
- Alternative BVH navigator and optimization structure ✓
  - Navigation based on Bounded Volume Hierarchy (BVH) technique, either natively in Geant4 or through VecGeom

# Magnetic Field & Biasing

- Magnetic Field
  - Addition of QSS integration methods (Quantized State Simulation) ✓
    - Alternative integration method which creates adapted polynomials and evaluates the limit of their validity
  - Review accuracy of boundary crossing in field (ALICE and CMS requirement)
  - Symplectic low/high order field integrators (GSoC HSF project) ✓
- Generic Biasing
  - Biasing of charged particle interaction occurrence
  - Prototyping of DXTRAN-like functionality
  - Extend generic biasing scheme for at rest case
- Reverse Monte-Carlo
  - Migration to multi-threading and improvements
  - Use of Reverse MC in parallel geometries

# Fast Simulation & Analysis

- Fast Simulation
  - Modernisation of EM shower parameterisation ✓
  - Machine Learning studies on the current model, meta learning for real detector geometries ✓
  - Revision of Fast simulation framework
  - Revision of GFlash models ✓
  - Investigation on relevance of using a specialised tracking for triggering fast simulation
- Analysis
  - Support for multiple output types for n-tuples ✓
  - Addition of flexibility in resetting/deleting histograms ✓
  - Review support for writing same histogram/profile in a file several times (object versions)
  - Organisation of third-party code (HDF5, expat, zlib) in externals/g4tools ✓

# Tracking, Run, Detector Response, Scoring & UI

- Tracking:
  - Redesign and implementation of G4ForceConditions
- Multi-threading & Tasking:
  - Reorganization of Run, Tasking and Event categories ✓
  - Sub-event level parallelism prototype ✓
  - Study on parallelisation of initialisation stage
- Scoring
  - Refinement of scorer functionalities and their drawing methods ✓
  - Support of IAEA phase space files for GPS
- UI
  - Change binding tool from boost-c++ to pybind11 ✓
  - Code updates to C++11/14/17 style

# Visualisation

- OpenGL/Qt drivers:
  - Migration to Qt6 ✓
  - Improvements to toolbar in OpenGL Qt
  - Improvements on sceneTree
  - Fix issue with parametrized volumes ✓
  - Adapt to newer OpenGL versions, exploit new functionalities and replace deprecated calls such as glBegin/glEnd
- Open Inventor:
  - Refinements and extensions to the Open Inventor Qt Viewer ✓
  - Work on reference path to move through the geometry
  - Improved use/install of Coin library
  - Interaction OI viewer / UI Qt
- Other drivers:
  - Vtk driver: fully develop large renderings for medical applications
  - Improvements and further developments to native Qt3D driver ✓
  - Improvements and further developments to tools\_sg (TSG) driver based on g4tools ✓
  - Provide 2min videos for each viewer
  - Development of visualisation solutions for iOS and Android devices

# Novice & Extended Examples

- Development of a new example on polarisation
- New example for sub-event parallelism ✓
- New hadronic examples for monitoring particle fluence ✓
- Update of selected EM/hadronic examples with usage of G4Accumulable
- New example illustrating generic biasing for "DXTRAN" MCNP-like option and implicit capture
- New gflash parameterisation example for sampling calorimeter
- Porting of Geant4e and related example to multi-threading
- Medical & DNA
  - New radio-biology extended example
  - Validation and development with protons and He4 ions in molecularDNA example ✓
  - New example for the RBE/LET calculation
  - Microdosimetry spectra in a cylindrical domain at the specific water depth imitating silicon detector
  - New medical example for ultra-high dose rate
  - Inclusion of new cross-sections for gas materials in the "icsd" Geant4-DNA example
  - Add the possibility to use the SBS method in the DNA "scavenger" example
  - Implement DNA damage in plasmids with IRT
  - Extension to the DICOM reader to support RT Dose format
- Review of examples macros and tests (coverage of commands and use-cases) ✓
- Complete application of coding guidelines ✓

# Advanced Examples

- Development of a specific example for proton tomography
- Further developments of in-silico experimental microdosimetry in the Radioprotection example
- Development of a mammography example
- Development of a SPring-8 synchrotron x-ray polarimetry example for testing low energy polarised gamma-ray physics
- New example showing how to import in Geant4 simulations IAEA Phase Space Files
- Code review, migration to C++17 and coding guidelines ✓
- Measurements of software metrics and statistical analysis over the examples



# Thanks!