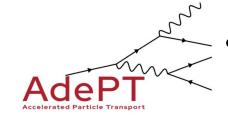
Parallel 6B - R&D

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AdePT status report

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28th Geant4 Collaboration Meeting



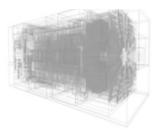




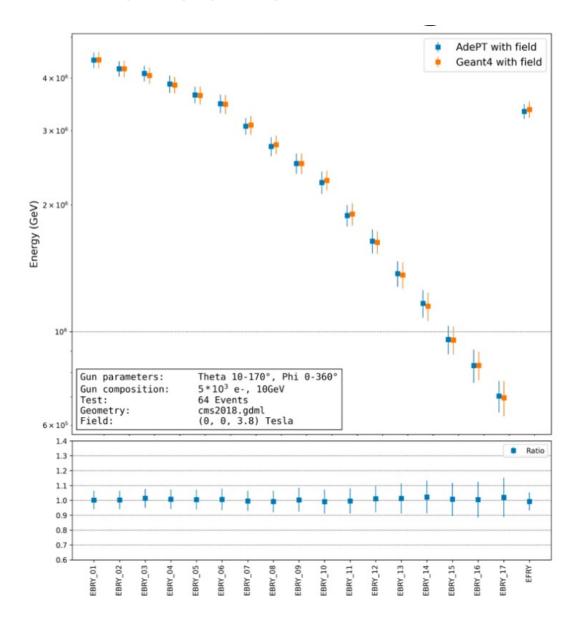
- off-loading tracks from Geant4 application
- On GPU step all tracks in parallel
- One kernel per particle type (e⁻, e⁺, γ)
- Validation against G4 & G4HepEM

New surface model

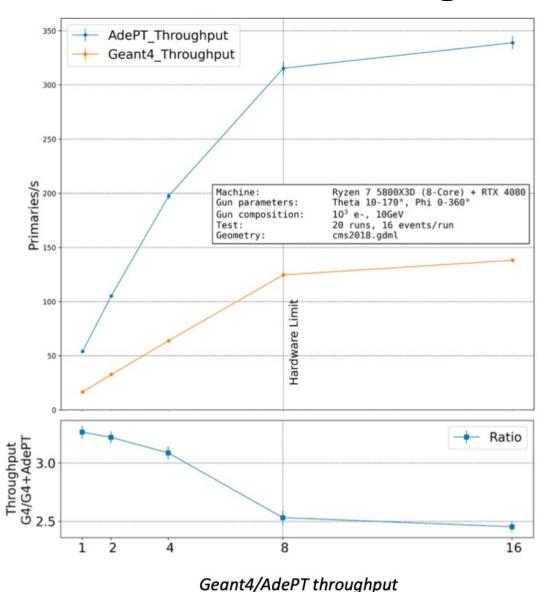
- Started >1 year ago a new surface model
- Header library implementation for GPU performance & portability
 - Eliminated recursions and virtual calls
 - Faster relocation, better scaling features and work balancing
 - Set of supported 3D solids increasing:
 - box, simple and general trapezoids, parallelepipede, tube, cone, polyhedron
 - Working on extruded, polycone



Validation



Benchmarking



Integration with Experiments

- To test AdePT, and identify challenges/issues
- Add complex setups
- Create realistic hit output
 & understand its perform.
 Impact

- ATLAS TileCal test beam
 - Using standalone G4 application
 - Total E per module done
 - Investigating detailed hit output
- LHCb Gaussino calorimeter
 - Target same 'Gauss' hits
- CMSsw
 - G4HepEM on CPU working in simple & 'specialised tracking' modes
 - Next-gen HGCal: defining info to record

Ongoing and summary

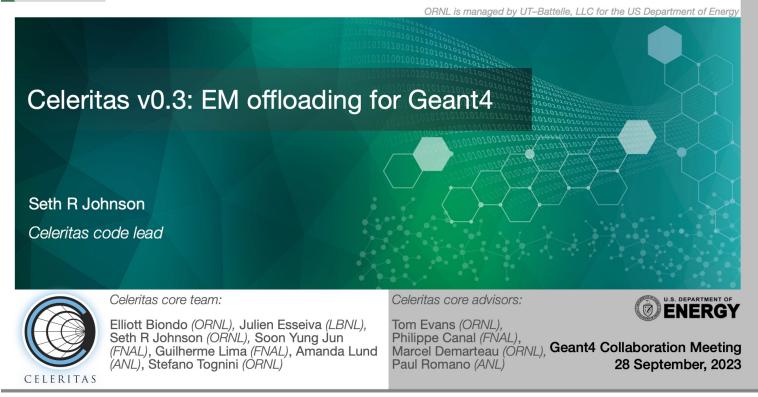
Current ongoing:

- New GPU-focused Geometry modeller (key for performance)
- Non-constant B field
 - validation & optimisation
- Integration with experiments

Outlook

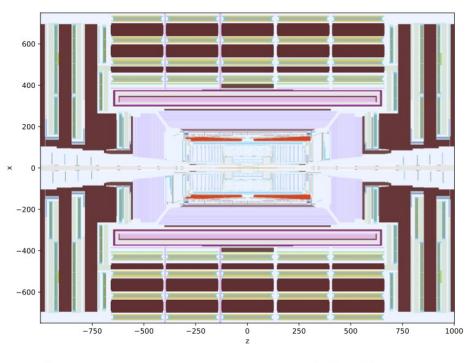
Focus on robustness, validation & benchmarking





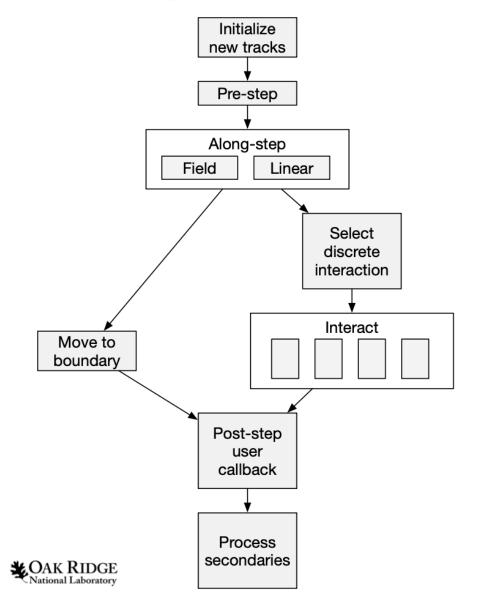
- Physics equivalent to G4EMStandardPhysics
- Full-feature Geometry via VecGeom 1.x (CPU, CUDA)
- Configurable at run-time: field, physics
- Can be run on HIP(AMD), Nvidia & CPU

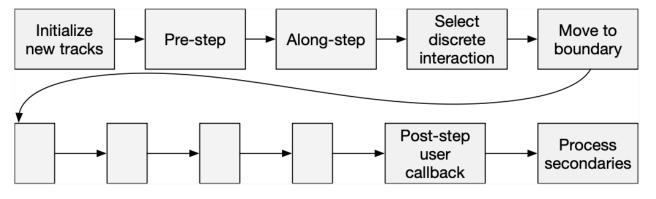
- GPU-focused HEP simulation
- Motivated by HL-LHC challenge & recent success in GPU MC (Exascale)
- Goal: LHC Run4



GPU-traced rasterization of CMS 2018

Stepping loop on a GPU





Topological sort: a loop over kernels

Process large batches of tracks per kernel (103–106)



Celeritas v 0.3: Geant4 integration status

- Imports EM physics selection, cross sections, parameters
- Converts geometry to VecGeom model
- Offloads EM tracks from Geant4

Scores hits to user "sensitive detectors" (Copies from GPU to CPU; reconstructs G4Hit, G4Step, G4Track; calls Hit)

Builds against Geant4 10.5-11.1

New development for quicker adoption.
Store information on x, p,
DE and use on CPU to
recreate G4Step/Track,
then call SD hit class.

Two examples of Integration with Experiment code shown:

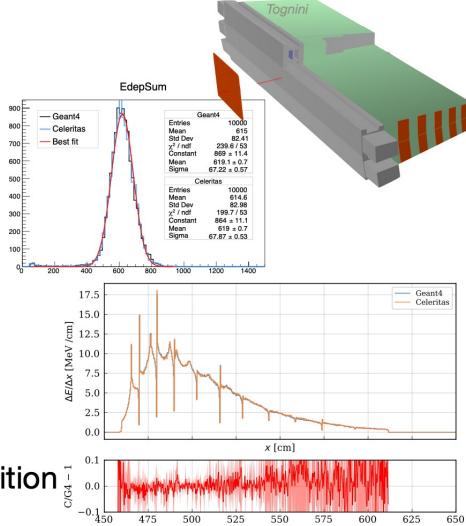
- ATLAS 'FullSimLight' standalone simplified simulation
- CMSsw framework integration

EM offloading with FullSimLight

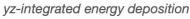
- ATLAS FullSimLight: hadronic tile calorimeter module segment
 - 64 segments in full ATLAS, 1 in this test beam
 - 18 GeV π+ beam, no field
 - FTFP_BERT (default) physics list (includes standard EM)
- ~100 lines of code to integrate
 - Offload e-, e+, y to Celeritas
 - Celeritas reconstructs hits and sends to user-defined G4VSensitiveDetector

Test problem: Lachnit, Pezzotti; FSL integration: Morgan

Excellent agreement in energy deposition 5 0.0

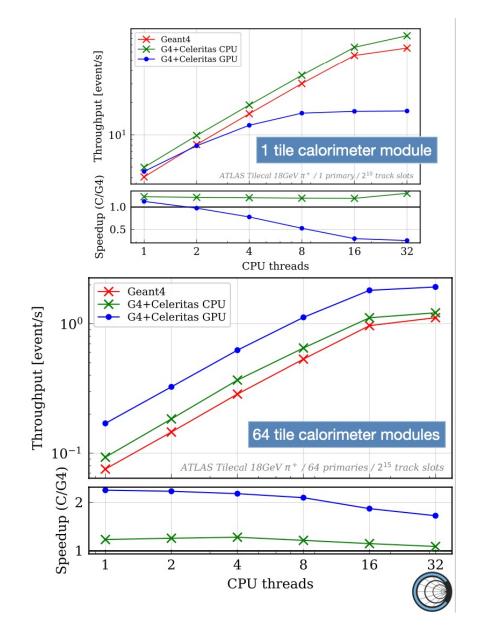






Offload performance results

- 1/4 of a Perlmutter (NERSC) GPU node
 16 cores of AMD EPYC, 1 Nvidia A100
- Time includes startup overhead, Geant4
 hadronic physics, track reconstruction, and
 SD callback (2048 π+ in all cases)
- GPU speedup: 1.7–1.9x at full occupancy Using all CPU cores with a single GPU
- CPU-only speedup: still 1.1–1.3×!
- LHC-scale energy per event (i.e., all 64 modules) is needed for GPU efficiency
- One fast GPU can be shared effectively by full multithreaded Geant4



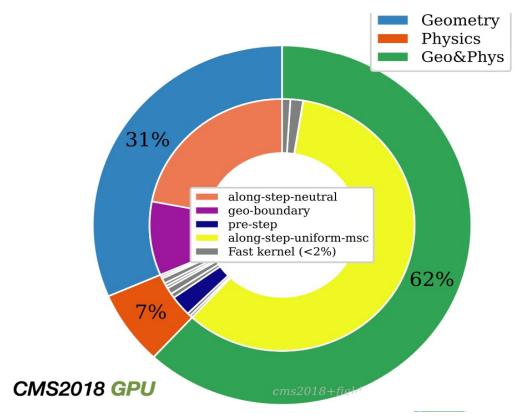


Ongoing

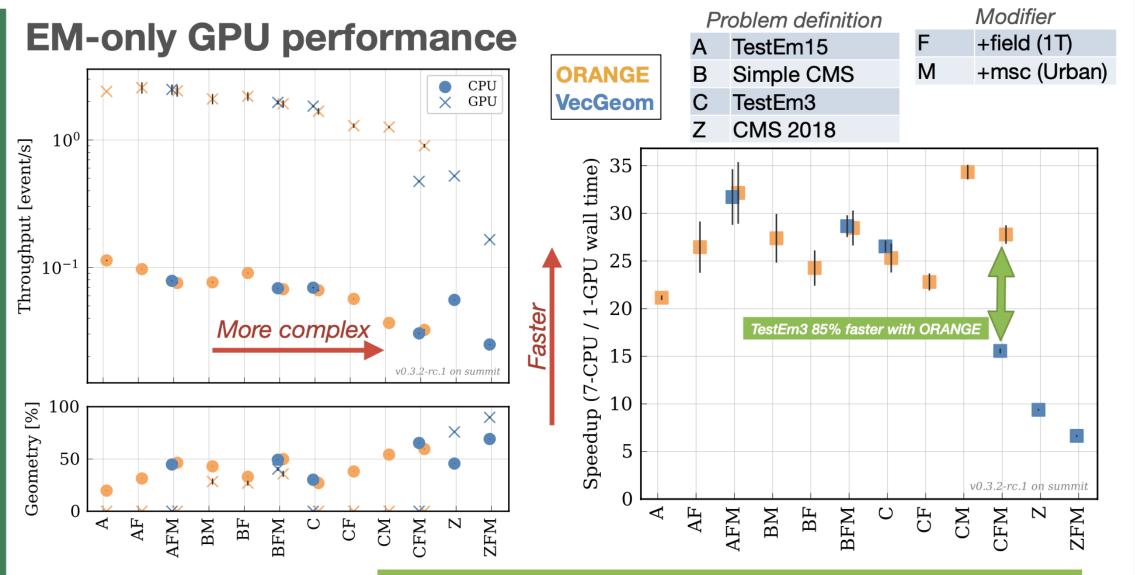
- Integration
- Verification & validation
- Optimisation & geometry
 - 90% time in geometry

Summary

- Straightforward integration into existing Geant4 apps
- Demonstrated performance gains by offloading EM to Celeritas
 - · Comparisons with 1 GPU, multicore CPU, against pure Geant4
 - Calorimeter test beam net improvement: 10–30% faster on CPU, 1.8–2.2× on GPU (Nvidia A100)
 - CMS Run 3 configuration standalone simulation speedup: 12–87% faster on GPU (Nvidia V100)
- Anticipated performance even higher
 - Standalone EM problems: ~7–34× faster (Celeritas CPU vs GPU) on Summit (Nvidia V100) (49–238× GPU/CPU core equivalence)
 - ORANGE vs current VecGeom for TestEM3: 85% faster



Speedup: Comparison of configurations







CaTS: Integration of Geant4 and Opticks

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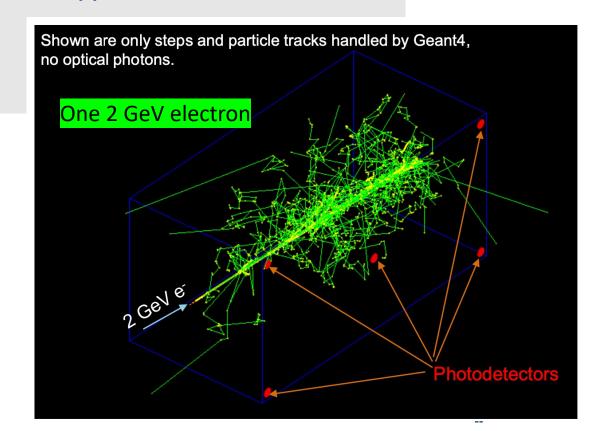
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Outline

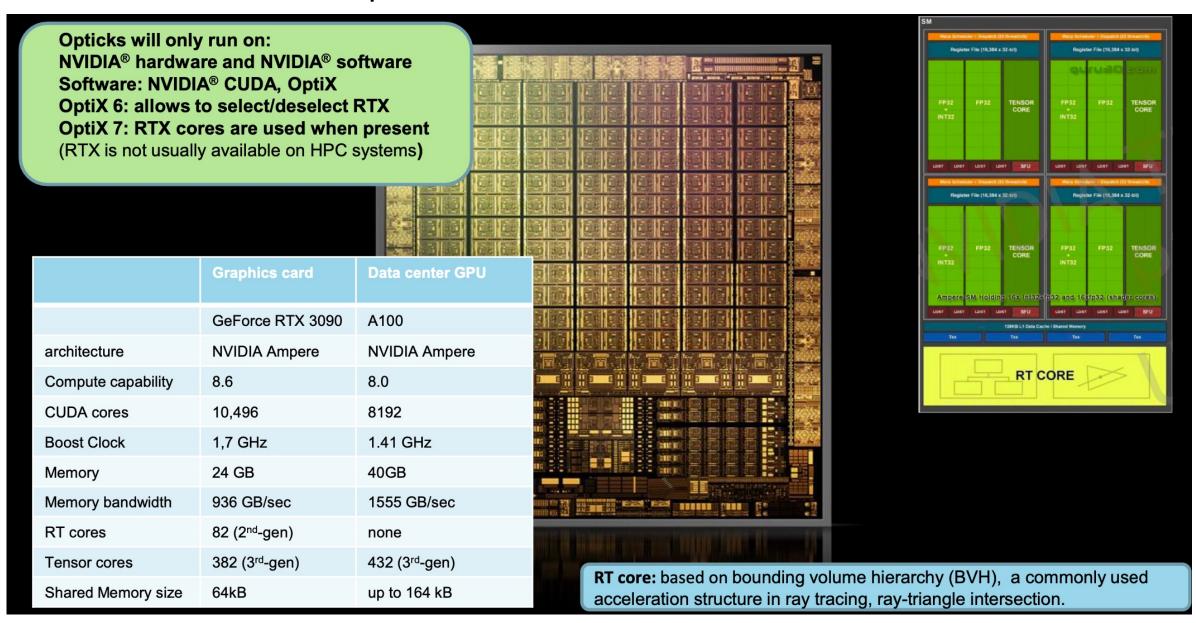
- Motivation:
 - The computational challenge for TPCs based on liquid Argon (LArTPCs).
 - Simulation of optical photons: an ideal application to be ported to GPU's.
- Opticks.
- CaTS is an advanced example Geant4 application.
 - CaTS workflow.
 - Performance.
- Plans.

Computational Challenge of liquid Argon TPCs

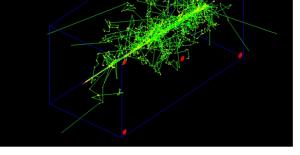
- Photon yield 50,000 photons per MeV of ΔE
- Full simulation in Geant4 needs minutes / event
- Without simulating optical photons 0.034 sec/event
- So production simulations currently use tables & parameterisations for detector response
- Opportunity to use GPU to offload optical photon simulation (well suited)



Parallelism for Optical Photons



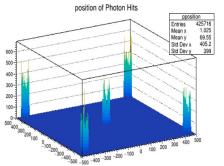
Hardware:				
CPU	Intel® Core i9-10900k@ 3.7 GHz, 10 CPU cores			
GPU	NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3090 @ 1.7 GHz, 10496 cores			
Software:				
Geant4: 11.0, Opticks based on OptiX® 6				



Performance: "Legacy Opticks"

Number of CPU threads	Single threaded. Geant4 [sec/evt]	Opticks [sec/evt]	Gain/speed up
1	330	1.8	189x

→It becomes feasible to run full optical simulation event by event! But comparison is to single threaded Geant4→ somehow unfair! Single geant4 threat can saturate the GPU and doesn't allow the use of multiple CPU cores.





Nvidia Optix 7 – large change Opticks reengineered to make it

- more modular, easier to test
- changing API Revising CaTS

Ongoing/plans

Plans

- Adjust to the new Opticks API → in progress. At the moment we keep compatibility with the legacy Opticks → propably drop this at some point.
- Once it's working:
 - Benchmark the performance compared to legacy Opticks.
 - Compare Opticks with multithreaded Geant4 on multicore machines for fair comparison.
 - Profiling using nvprof.
 - Physics validation.
- Update the Geant4 advanced example CaTS:

Also to note

• Internal Geant4 assessment of GPU part of R&D – 13-14 December 2023