

# Multiple Scattering (MSC) in Geant4

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# Intro.

- MICE performance predicted using the cooling formula (CF):

- G4MICE  $\neq$  CF  
(see prev CMs)

$$\frac{d\varepsilon_n}{dz} = \frac{-\varepsilon_n}{\beta^2 E} \left\langle \frac{dE}{dX} \right\rangle + \frac{\beta_t (0.014 \text{ GeV})^2}{2\beta^3 E m_\mu X_0}$$

- MSC typically approx.:
  - CF uses [Rossi-Greisen \(1961\)](#)
  - Somewhat **crude**

$$\theta_{plane}^{rms} = 14 \text{ MeV} \frac{\sqrt{X / X_0}}{p\beta}$$

- Two routes to MSC Monte Carlo
  - *detailed* – all collisions/interactions simulated (e.g. [ELMS](#))
  - *condensed* – use angular / probability distributions (most MC codes)

# Multiple Scattering Approximations

## 1961 - Rossi-Greisen

- 21 MeV in orig. paper
- Strong path length & Z dependence

$$\theta_{plane}^{rms} = 14\text{MeV} \frac{\sqrt{X / X_0}}{p\beta}$$

## 1974 - Highland (PDG) correction

- removes path length dep.
- **\*Z dep. remains however\***

$$\theta_{plane}^{rms} = \frac{13.6\text{MeV}}{p\beta} z \sqrt{x / X_0} [1 + 0.038 \ln(x / X_0)]$$

## 1990 - Lynch & Dahl expression

$$\theta_{rms,plane}^2 = \frac{\chi_c^2}{1 + F^2} \left[ \frac{1 + \nu}{\nu} \ln(1 + \nu) - 1 \right]$$

- “much better approximation...agrees with Moliere scattering to 2% for all Z”
- ...**Derivation / comparison with Highland / Moliere not supplied!**
- doesn't seem to have replaced Highland...

# Moliere Theory (1949, Bethe 1952)

- Connects small angle Gaussian region with large angle single scattering.
- Described using two angles:

$\chi_a^2$  **Screening angle**, below which scattering suppressed due to atomic screening

$$\chi_c^2 = 4 \pi N t e^4 Z(Z+1) / (p v)^2$$

**Critical angle**, on average only 1 collision with  $\theta > \chi_c^2$  through a scatterer.

- Bethe :  $Z^2 \rightarrow Z(Z+1)$  to incl. inelastic scattering from atomic  $e^-_s$ 
  - Assumes  $e^-$  scattering shape same as scattering from the nucleus
  - *Fano* (1954) and others disputed this, but experiments by *Shen et al* (1979) supported Bethe.
- Thomas-Fermi model to describe  $e^-$  screening of the nucleus
  - Inaccurate in low Z materials!
- **MuScat** comparison
- Recent work by Tollestrup et al (2000), Fernow (1998, 2006)
  - Use their own form factors, avoiding T-F.

# MuScat results

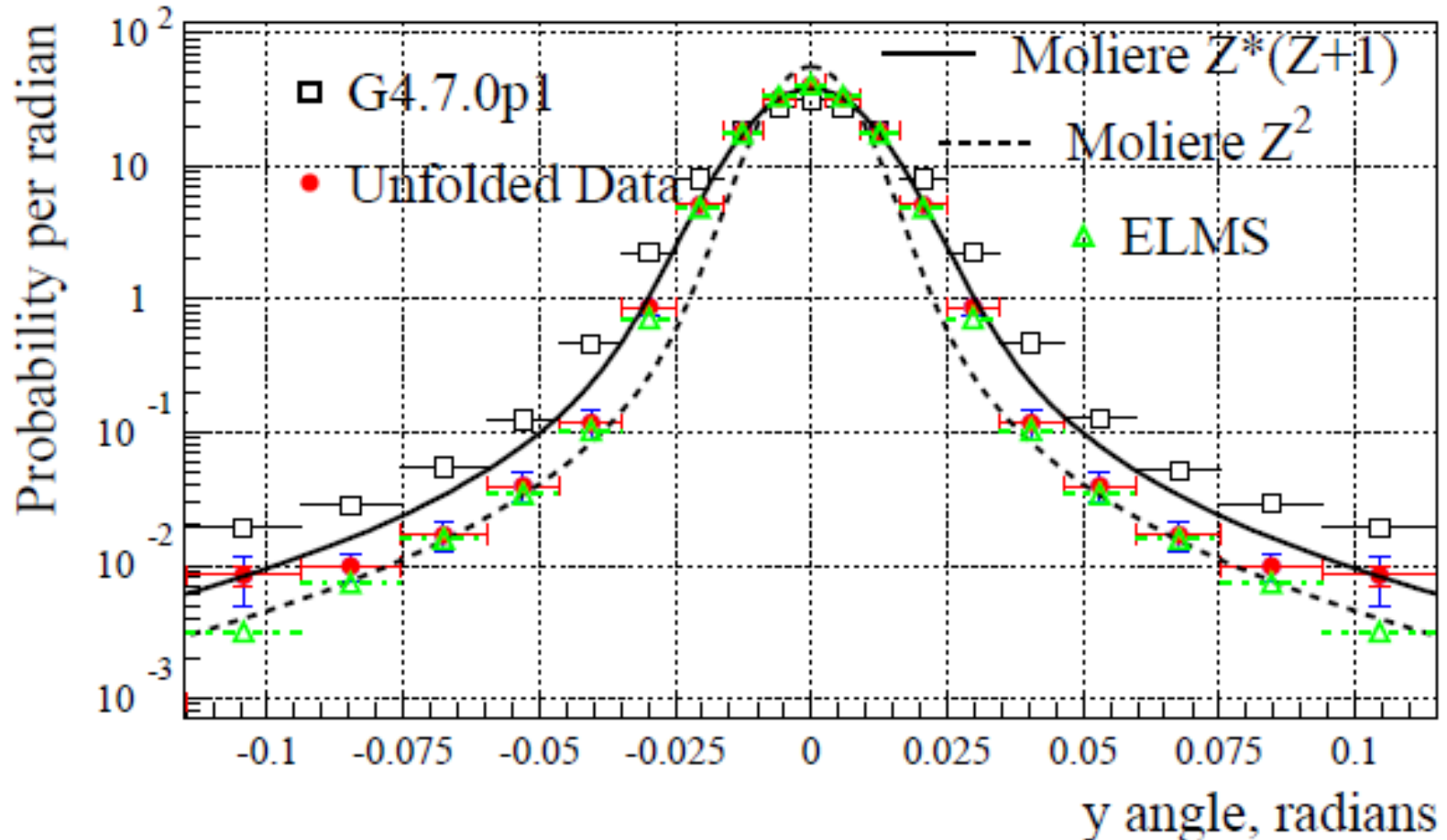
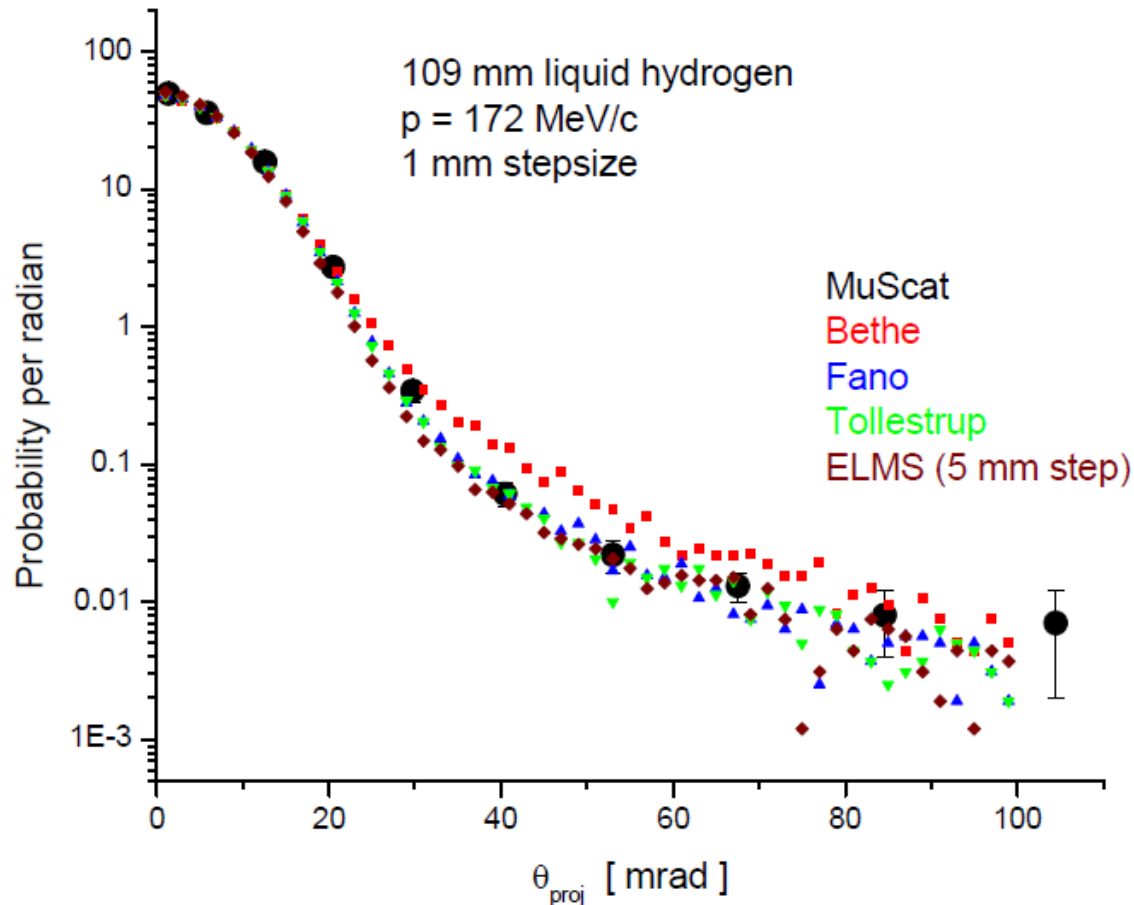


Fig. 22. The projected scattering angle distribution in data and simulation for 159 mm of liquid H<sub>2</sub>.

# Fernow (2006) using ICool



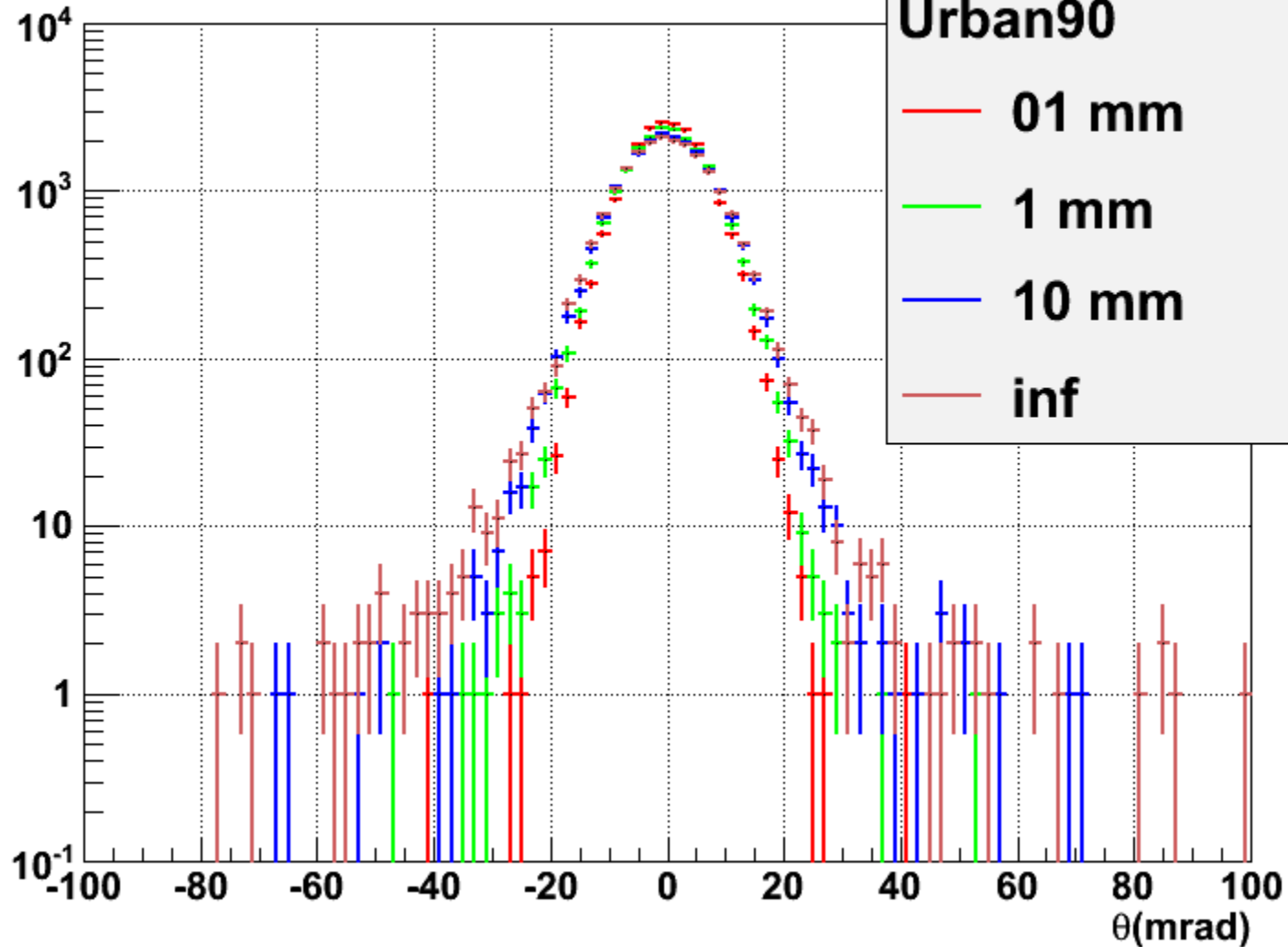
**Figure 1.** Comparison of models and data for liquid hydrogen.

# Scattering in Geant4

- Urban Model, based on **Lewis Theory**.
    - Uses model functions to determine angular & spatial distributions
    - Sep. parameterisations of the central part of the scattering angle and of its tail.
  - Uses Highland formula as a parameter
    - a shortcut to achieve a compromise between performance & accuracy
- “Lewis theory is the base for many multiple scattering algorithms. Moliere theory is formulated in term of theta - it is initially a small angle model not assuming backscattering. However, **both use a common formalism.**”*
- Step length dependency corrected in g4.9.5.p01 release (3/12)

# Geant4.9.5 - old G4UrbanMscModel90

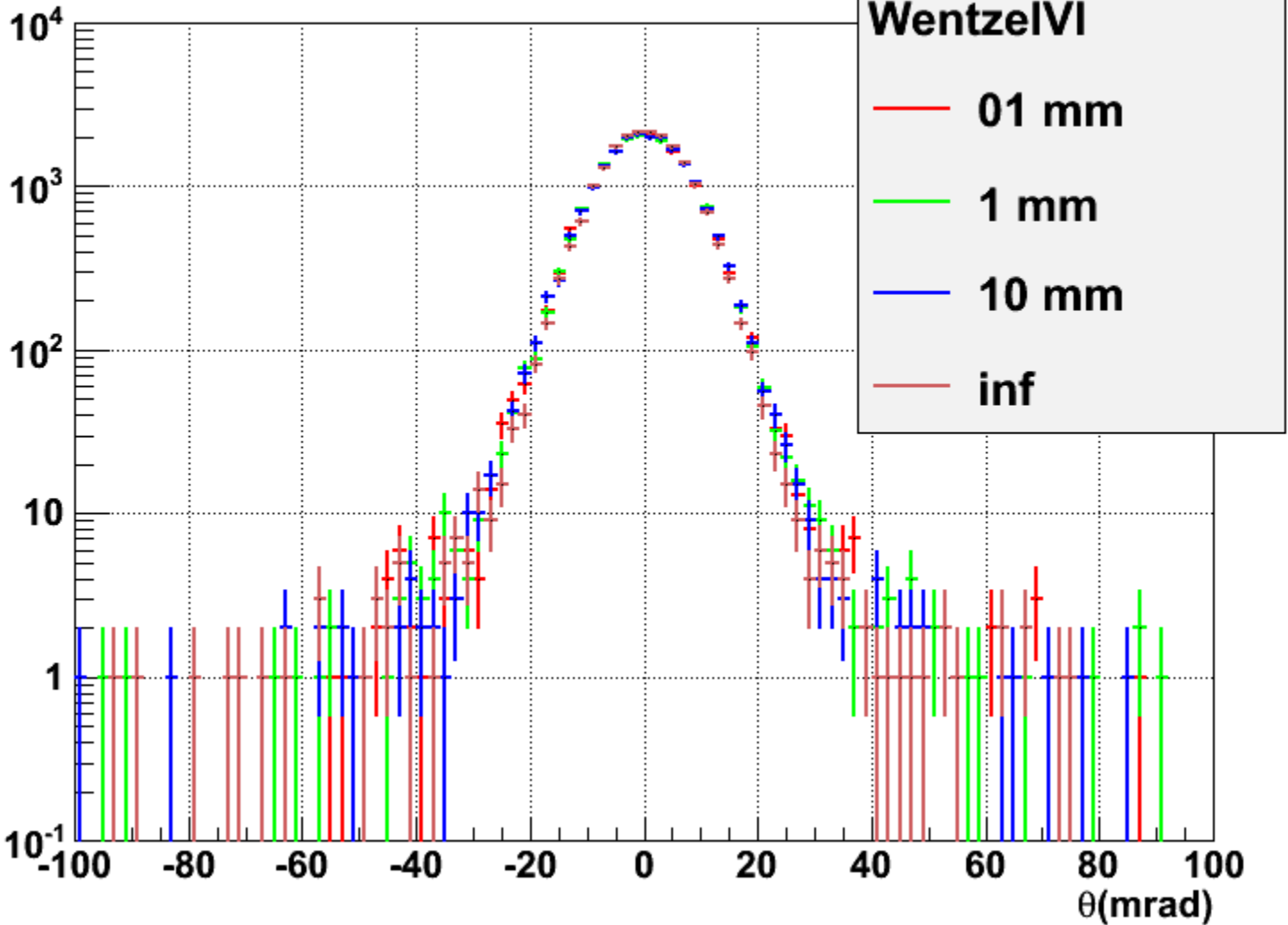
207 MeV/c mu+ in liquid H2





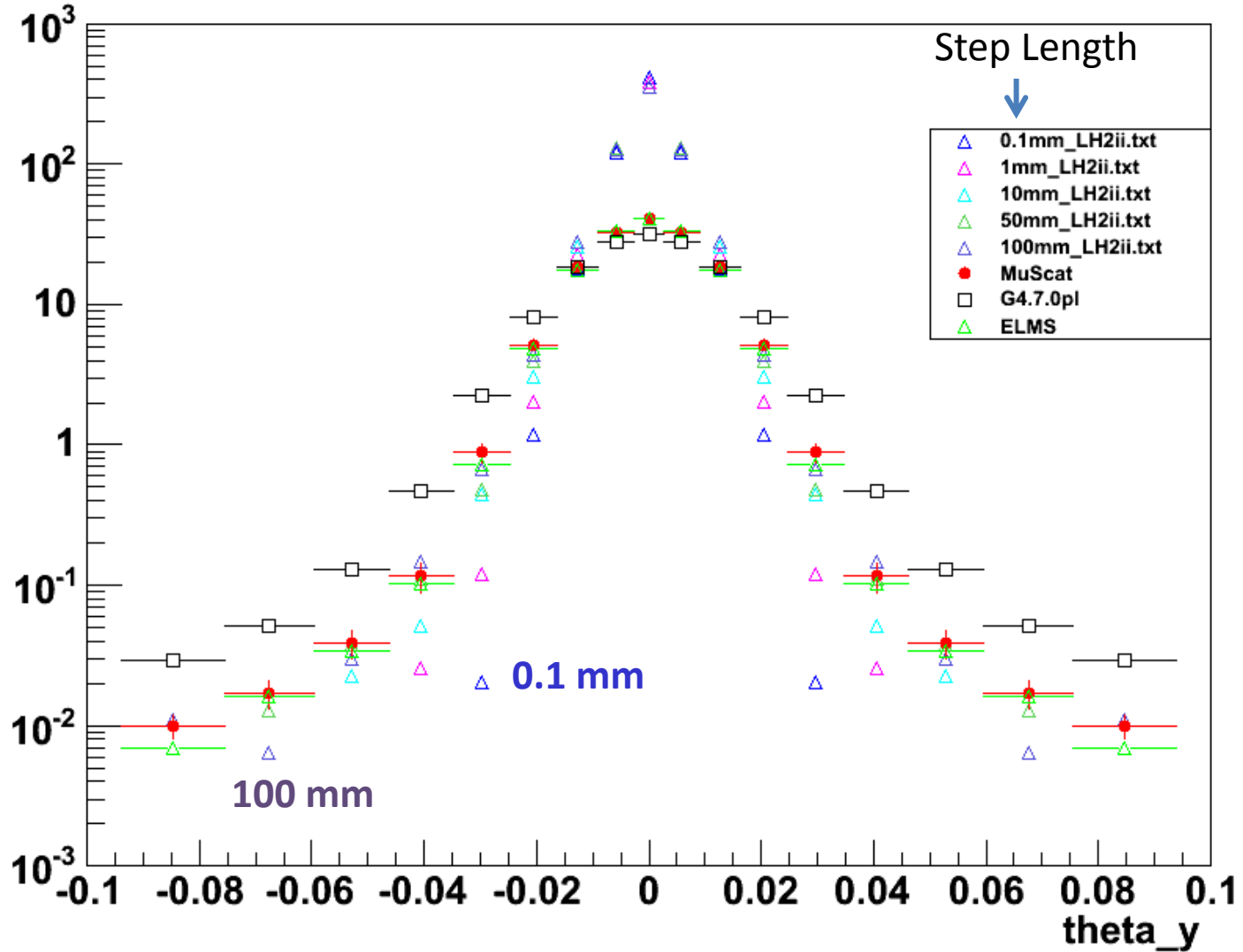
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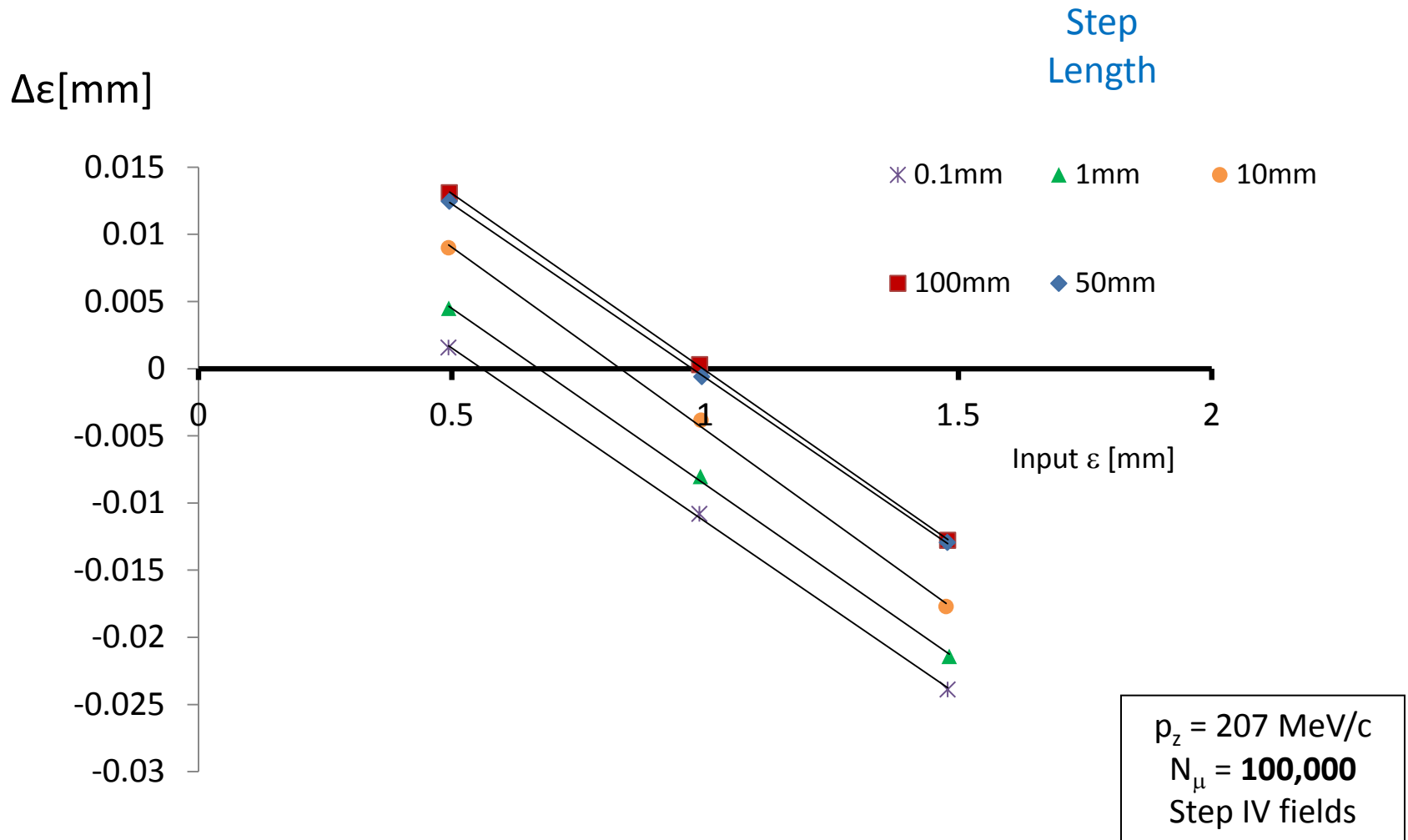


# G4MICE (G4.9.5.p01) – MuScat comparison

15.9 cm LH2

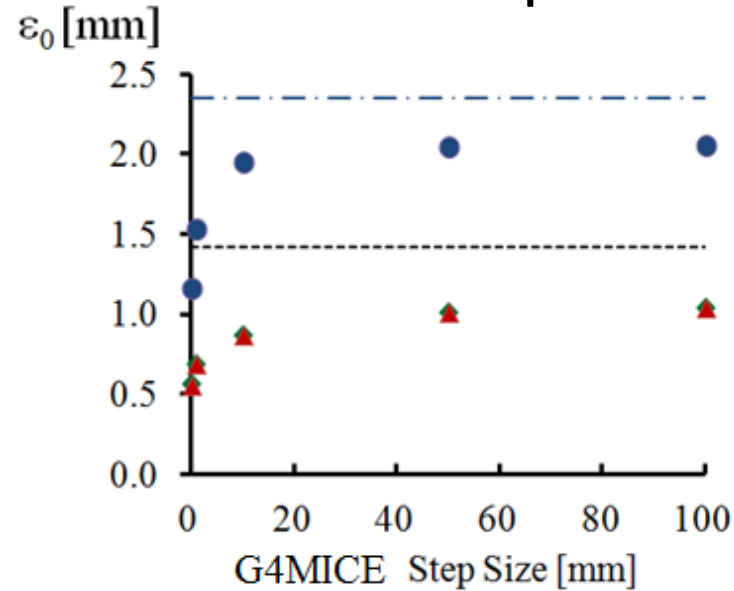


# Cooling in 15.9cm LH<sub>2</sub>

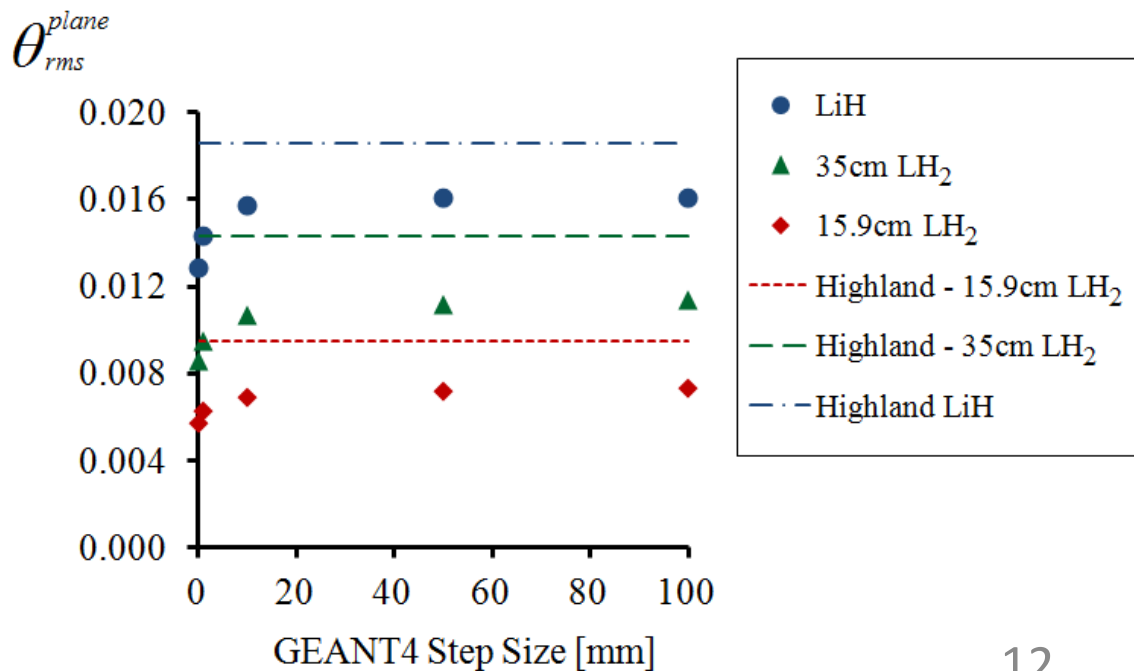


No AFC (i.e. no Al windows)

# Eq. Emittance & Scattering Angle



(Extrapolated from prev. slide)



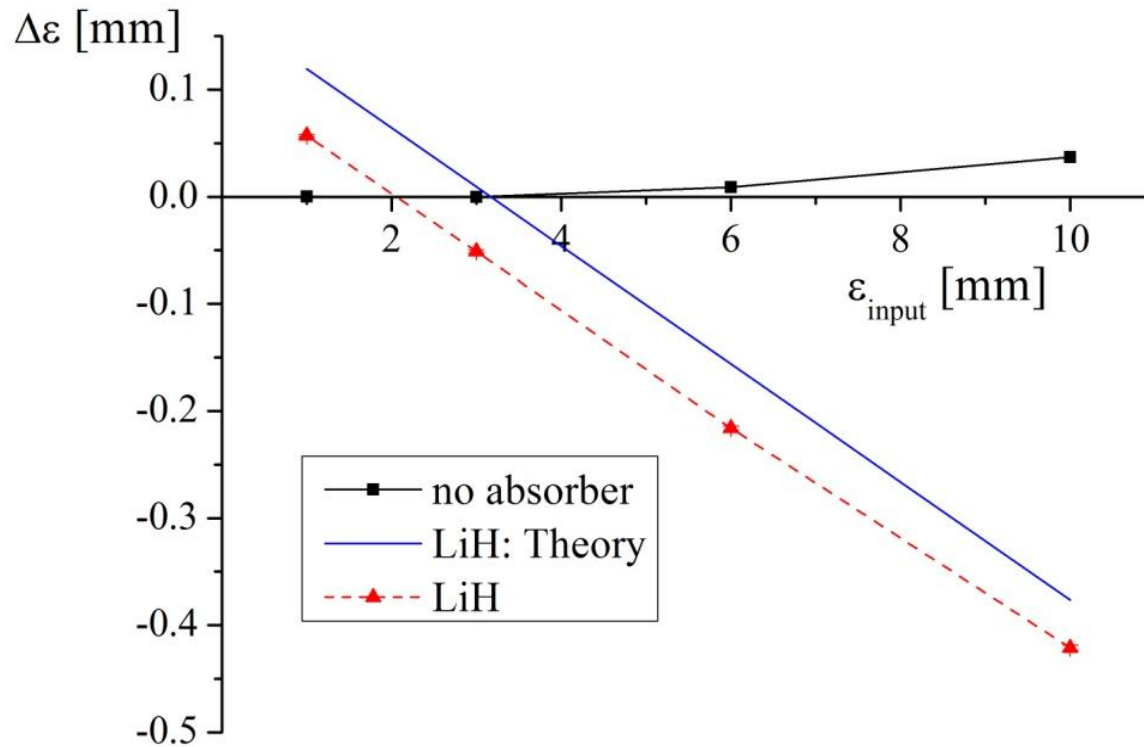
On axis, mono-energetic beams sent through a block of absorber

# Summary

- G4MICE/MAUS use Geant4 physics libraries.
  - Change max. step length using *G4StepMax* parameter
- MSC &  $\varepsilon_0$  predictions dep. on Step Length!
- Past Step Length dependencies in Geant4
  - Now **corrected** in Geant4.9.5.p01 (March 2012).
- New version tested with G4MICE – **no change**.
  - Issue with *G4StepMax* or in G4MICE-Geant4 interaction...?
- In contact with the Geant4 developers
  - Likely I'm still using the old Urban Model...**i.e. Geant4.9.5**
- Fix MSC & compare with predictions
  - CF, Lynch & Dahl, Highland etc

**EXTRAS**

# G4MICE: Step IV 63mm LiH



# Sample G4MICE geometry

Configuration Step IV

{

Dimensions 6. 6. 31. m

PropertyString Material Galactic

PropertyDouble **G4StepMax** 1 mm

Module MuScatTargets/LH2ii\_15.9cm.dat

{

Position 0. 0. -2.75 m

Rotation 0. 0. 0. degree

}

Module Tests/VirtualPlane.dat

{

Position 0. 0. -3 m

Rotation 0. 0. 0. degree

PropertyString IndependentVariable Z

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PropertyInt NumberOfRepeats 21

PropertyHep3Vector RepeatTranslation 0 0 5 cm

PropertyHep3Vector RepeatRotation 0 0 0

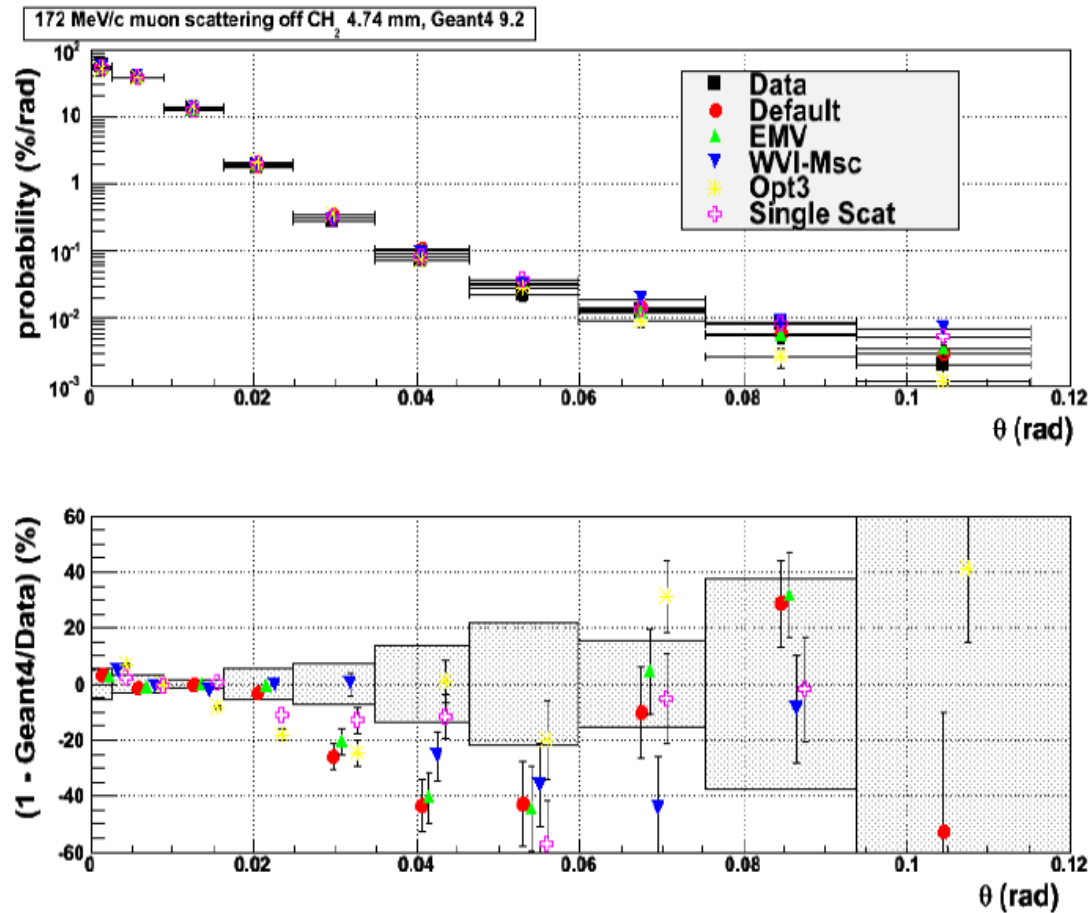
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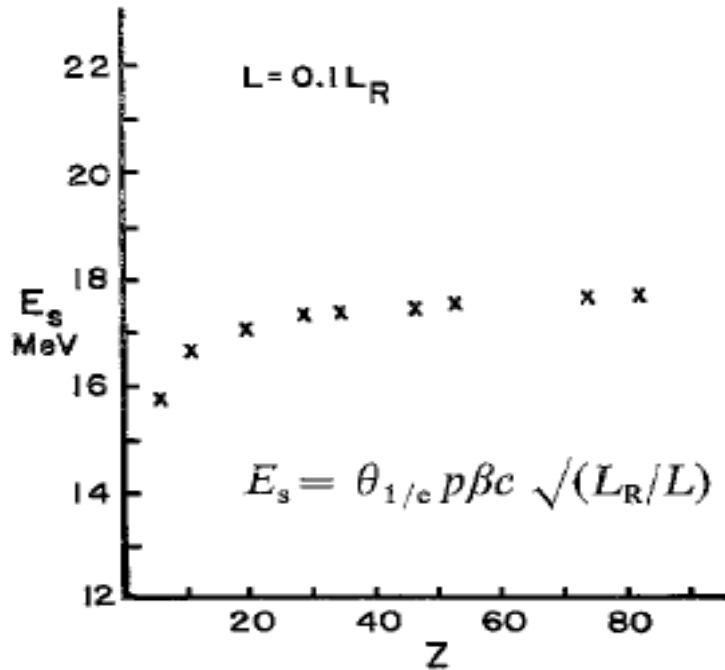
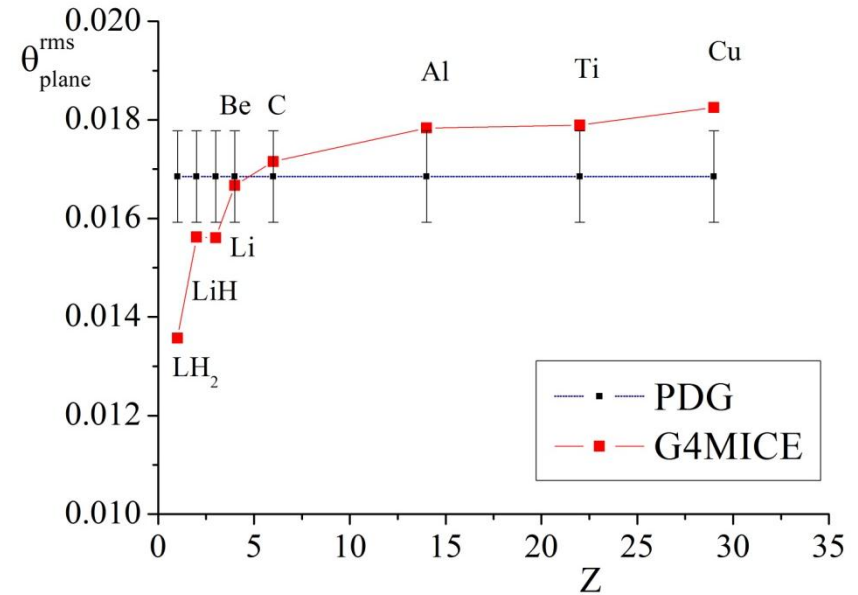
# Geant4 vs MuScat



**Figure 4.** Geant4 simulation of  $\mu^+$  scattering off thin polyethylene target versus MuScat data [22]: top – scattering angle, bottom – relative difference of Monte Carlo and the data, hashed area shows one standard deviation. The *WentzelVI* MSC model ( $\chi^2/n = 1.69$ ) and the single scattering model ( $\chi^2/n = 1.40$ ) describe better the tail of the distribution than the *Urban* MSC model ( $\chi^2/n = 2.14$ ).

# Intro (2) - from CM32 talk

- Simple PDG approx. unsuitable
- $x/X_0$  scaling poor at low Z
- $e^-$  screening calc. increasingly inaccurate



V.L. Highland, Nucl. Instrum. Methods  
129, 497 (1975)

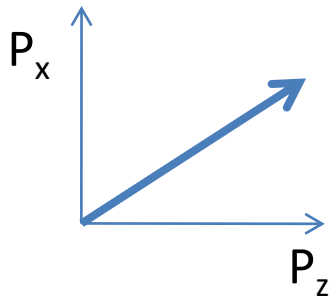
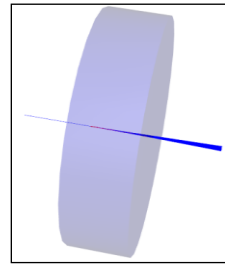
# Step IV – from CM32 talk

- Measure  $\varepsilon_0$  in different materials
  - Check results are consistent with theory – **how?**
- Compare with G4MICE
- GEANT4.9.2

Z	$X_0$		x [cm]
1	63.04	LH <sub>2</sub>	57.61
3	82.78	Li	10.06
4	65.19	Be	2.29
6	42.7	C	1.39
2.00	79.62	LiH	6.30

## G4MICE

$N_\mu = 100,000$   
pencil beam on axis  
no fields



$$\theta_x = a \tan(P_x / P_z)$$

$$\theta_{plane}^{rms} = \sigma_x$$

