

Recent and ongoing developments in hadronics

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Outline

This talk presents some of the work made in Hadronics which is of general interest and has not been covered in other talks:

- CHIPS package decoupling
- Reproducibility
- Energy-momentum conservation checks
- Summary and outlook

CHIPS package decoupling (1/3)

CHIPS package is very difficult to maintain, therefore we decided to extract (*i.e.* clone) only the minimum which is needed, and then adapt the interfaces to G4 standards

- **Quasi-elastic scattering**

- Both cross sections and final states (used in QGS-based P.L.)
- Already separated in G4 9.5

- **Elastic scattering**

- Final states of elastic scattering p-A , n-A (for all A)
 - Cross sections of elastic scattering p-H , n-H , p-He , n-He
 - Cross sections of elastic scattering h-p , h-n (used in FTF)
- => all h – A elastic cross sections have been isolated

CHIPS package decoupling (2/3)

- Inelastic scattering

- kaon/hyperon – nucleus inelastic cross sections
- hadron – nucleon inelastic cross sections (used in FTF)
=> All h – A inelastic cross sections have been isolated
- Removed caching
- Extended the cross section registry to avoid multiple instances of the same cross sections

- Gamma- and electro-nuclear

- Cross sections of γ – A interactions : already separated
- Virtual photon generation and conversion to real photon (for electro-nuclear) : extracted now in Bertini electro-nuclear
- Final states of γ – A interactions: cannot be isolated from CHIPS
 - Now an alternative exists: Bertini (see M. Kelsey talk on Session 4)

CHIPS package decoupling (3/3)

- Nuclear capture at rest
 - For all negatively charged hadrons: π^- , K^- , \underline{p} , Σ^- , $\underline{\Sigma}^+$, Ξ^- , Ω^-
 - Only final states (no cross sections needed)
 - As for the final states of $\gamma - A$ interactions, the final states **cannot be isolated from CHIPS** (because of the heavy coupling with all the CHIPS world, e.g. quasmons etc.)
 - Now an alternative exists: Bertini (π^- , K^- , Σ^- , Ξ^- , Ω^-) + FTF/Preco (\underline{p} , $\underline{\Sigma}^+$)
(see M. Kelsey talk on Session 4)

Major achievement in hadronics

The recommended physics list for HEP, **FTFP_BERT** in **G4 9.6.beta** does not depend anymore on the CHIPS package:

- **Nuclear capture at rest**
 - **Bertini** is used for π^- , K^- , Σ^- (and soon also for Ξ^- and Ω^-)
 - **Fritiof** (+ Precompound) is used for p and Σ^+
- **Lepton-nuclear**
 - **Bertini** is used for γ , e^- , e^+ , μ^- , μ^+
- **Decoupled cross sections from CHIPS**
 - for inelastic interactions of kaons and hyperons
 - for nucleon elastic scattering
 - for hadron-nucleon elastic & inelastic used in FTF

Reproducibility

- Reproducibility of the (pseudo-)random sequence
 - Useful in practice, for debugging
 - One of the quality metrics of a simulation code
- Two types of reproducibility:
 1. **Weak reproducibility**
 - at run-level, i.e. starting with *currentRun.rndm*
 2. **Strong reproducibility**
 - at event-level, i.e. starting with any *currentEvent.rndm*
- Before G4 9.6.beta
 1. **Weak reproducibility always valid**
 2. **Strong reproducibility sometimes violated**
 - More frequently in FTFP_BERT (and other PLs) than LHEP
 - More frequently in more recent versions of Geant4

Reproducibility tests

- Improved the existing reproducibility tests of physics lists based on simplified calorimeters
- Created **new tests at model-level**
- Included in CDash one quick test (**test68**) of FTFP_BERT
- Typical pattern of reproducibility violation
 - To save time, instead of re-compute something each time it is needed, cache and re-use it whenever possible
 - **Caching can violate reproducibility if some of the cached values are history-dependent**
 - Example: **cache_vector[Z] = function(Z, A)**
where the first isotope encountered for a given Z is used to compute the function, and then re-used for all other isotopes of the same element...
 - Example: **cache_vector[i] = cross_section(p)**
where the momentum of the first particle is used to compute the function, instead of the center of the momentum bin...

Reproducibility fixes up to G4 9.5.ref08

- Fixed problems
 - CHIPS quasi-elastic
 - Starkov elastic final state model for $\pi^\pm > 1$ GeV
 - Ion ionization corrections
 - Fission in Bertini
 - Bertini cascade, when hyperons are involved
(it turned out a problem in *G4PhaseSpaceDecayChannel*)
 - CHIPS hadron-nucleon inelastic cross sections, used by FTFP
 - Multiple scattering (combination of 2 models for e^\pm)
- ⇒ **LHEP** and **FTFP_BERT** are now fully reproducible!
- Reproducibility problems still to fix
 - CHIPS stopping at rest : used in QGS-based physics lists; not worth now
 - Neutron HP : painful to debug because extremely slow
 - Binary cascade : hope to fix it for G4 9.6

Checking energy-momentum

- Two kinds of checks
 1. **Optional** : check and inform (old, but extended in 9.6.β)
 2. **Mandatory** : protect against “catastrophic” violations (new in 9.6.β)
- Implemented in *G4HadronicProcess*
- Optional checks and reports:
 - Values refer to: (initial – final)
 - Variables that are considered:
 - energy (old) ; momentum, charge, baryon number (new)
 - Each model or process needs to set limits
 - Needs an environment variable to activate:
G4Hadronic_epReportLevel Default: 0 (no checks)
 - Limits can be set via environmental variables:
G4Hadronic_epCheckRelativeLevel
G4Hadronic_epCheckAbsoluteLevel These override internal limits

Optional checks

- **G4Hadronic_epReportLevel**

- 0 : default, no checks and no reports

- 1 : report when E/p is not conserved

- 2 : always report

- 3 : extended report when E/p is not conserved

- 4 : always extended report

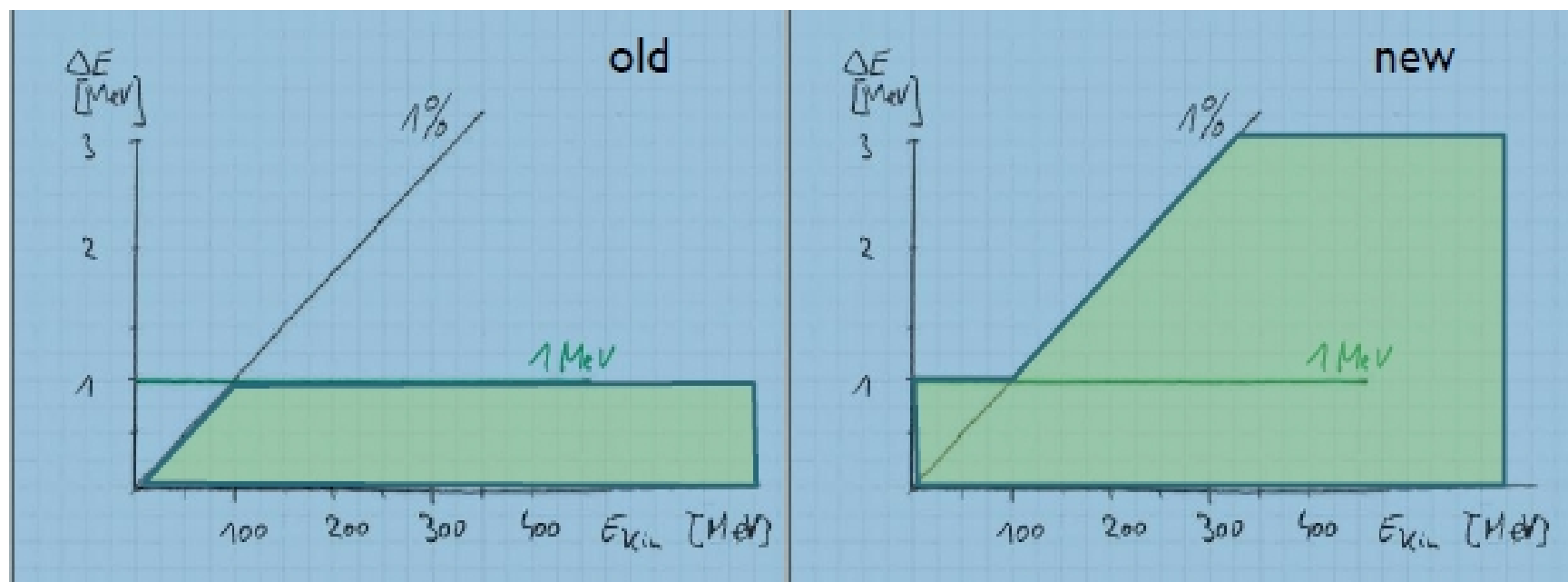
- N : same as above, but report to stderr (instead of stdout)

- Process/Model: **SetEnergyMomentumCheckLevels(1*perCent, 1*MeV);**

or user:

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export G4Hadronic_epCheckRelativeLevel=0.01
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export G4Hadronic_epCheckAbsoluteLevel=1.0
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Mandatory checks

- Check only for “catastrophic” energy non-conservations
 - Default limits: relative = **10%** , absolute = **5 GeV**
 - Model may provide different limits, via the method:
GetFatalEnergyCheckLevels()
 - for example: (5% , 250 GeV) for **LEP** and **HEP**
(10% , DBL_MAX) for **HP**
 - If check fails:
 - Raise **G4Exception** “JustWarning”
 - **Re-sample** the interaction
 - If more than **100** consecutive re-samplings, “FatalException”
- or, when *G4Hadronic_epReportLevel* < 0 (check mode)
- Raise **G4Exception** “EventMustBeAborted”

Summary and outlook

- **FTFP_BERT** in G4 **9.6**
 - Does **not** depend on the **CHIPS** package
 - Is fully **reproducible**
- The same applies to other physics lists (e.g. QGSP_BERT) if:
 - Replace CHIPS stopping with BERT + FTFP stopping
 - Replace CHIPS gamma- and electro-nuclear with BERT
 - Replace CHIPS cross sections with the cloned (isolated) ones

Should we do that for G4 9.6 ?

- We will keep working on:
 - Removing old hadronic classes which are not used
 - Cleaning and improving interfaces of hadronics
 - Improving the code quality of hadronics

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