Hadronic Showers

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Outline

This talk gives the status of hadronic shower simulations in Geant4. Not yet available to us the latest comparisons with LHC collision data; some results from CALICE.

- Introduction
- Calorimeter test-beam and observables
- Some recent results from CALICE test-beam
- FTFP_BERT physics list
- Simplified calorimeters results
- Outlook

Introduction

The simulation of hadronic showers (set of particles produced by a single hadron impinging on a block of matter, e.g. a calorimeter) is an important ingredient for the simulation of jets

- The other ingredients are:
 - the Monte Carlo event generator
 - the experiment-specific aspects: geometry, digitization, pile-up
- Jets (collimated sprays of hadrons) are produced by strong (QCD) or electroweak (hadronic decays of τ / W / Z / H) interactions
- Jets can be part of the signal and/or the background
 - multi-jets in the same event is typical in hadron colliders as LHC, but it is also frequent in high-energy e+-e- linear colliders as ILC/CLIC
- For ILC/CLIC, the simulation of jets is essential for the optimal design of the detector (even more than traditionally because of the particle flow...)
- For ATLAS and CMS, the simulation of jets is now important for physics analysis

Simulations vs LHC collision data (1/2) Isolated tracks (charged hadrons)



Simulations vs LHC collision data (2/2) Jets and missing transverse energy

Calo jets

JPT jets

PF jets







Calorimeter test-beams

Up to now, the most challenging requirements for Geant4 hadronic physics were, and still are, all coming from calorimeter test-beams

- Dominated by LHC test-beams in the last ~ 10 15 years
 - ATLAS TileCal (Fe-Sci), ATLAS HEC (Cu-LAr), ATLAS Combined (Pb-LAr + Fe-Sci)
 - CMS ECAL (PbWO4) + HCAL (Brass-Sci)
- Now being complemented and refined by the CALICE test-beams, which offer unprecedented details
 - Completed: Fe-Sci , W-Sci
 - On-going/planned: Fe-Gas , W-Gas

Most of the development in Geant4 hadronic physics has been & will be driven (not tuned: thin-target data is used for that!) by the need to improve the agreement between simulated ⁶ hadronic showers and test-beam data

Calorimeter observables

• Energy response

- Very important for jet energy scale for traditional calorimeter jets

- Currently described with an accuracy of \sim few %
- Sensitive to nearly all (string model, cascade, precompound/evaporation)

Energy resolution

- Important for jet energy resolution and di-jet mass resolution (e.g. hadronic decays of W, Z, H) for traditional calorimeter jets
- Currently described with an accuracy of $\,\sim 10-20~\%$
- Sensitive to nearly all (string model, cascade, precompound/evaporation)

Lateral shower shape

- Essential for the particle flow approach
- Relevant also in general for cluster identification, jet structure, isolation requirements, and jet overlaps
- Currently described with an accuracy of $\sim 10-20$ %
- Sensitive mostly to the intra-nuclear cascade, a bit less on the string model
- Longitudinal shower shape
 - Important for particle identification, jet-calibration, punch-through
 - Currently described with an accuracy of $\,\sim 10-20$ %
 - Sensitive mostly to forward physics (elastic, quasi-elastic, diffraction)

CALICE Fe-Sci : longitudinal shower profile



CALICE W-Sci : response to hadrons



CALICE WAHCAL: Tungsten/Scintillator - visible Energy



CALICE: Time Structure of Hadronic Showers (1/2)



CALICE: Time Structure of Hadronic Showers (2/2)



- Radial dependence of mean time of hits:
 - Good agreement for steel (a few 100 ps, which is comparable to systematics)
 - For tungsten: HP / QBBC necessary, QGSP_BERT overestimates late contributions, which matter most at larger radii (extended "neutron cloud" vs rather collimated em-subshowers and relativistic hadrons)

Geant4 simulation of hadronic showers

History of production physics lists used by ATLAS and CMS

- LHEP : the first available, fast but very rough. Still used by LHCb for LHC data analysis up to now
- **QGSP** : better energy response and resolution; but too compact showers (for the longitudinal shape, worse than LHEP)
- QGSP_BERT : even better energy response and resolution, and wider showers; longitudinal showers improved by including quasi-elastic; but unphysical kinks due to the transition between models (BERT & LEP). Used by ATLAS for LHC data analysis up to now
- QGSP_FTFP_BERT : smoother transition, replacing LEP with FTFP in the intermediate region. Used by CMS for LHC data analysis up to now
- FTFP_BERT : our current recommended physics list; not yet used for large productions up to now

Evolution of FTFP_BERT between G4 9.4 - 9.6

- **FTF** improved (new tuning + diffraction : in G4 9.6) and extended (anti-baryons nucleus interactions : in G4 9.5)
- **BERT improved** (internal nucleon-nucleon cross sections in G4 9.6 ; angular distributions in G4 9.5) **and extended** (gamma-nucleon + nuclear capture at rest : in G4 9.6)
- Improved nucleon-nucleus inelastic cross sections (replaced Wellisch xsec with Barashenkov-Glauber xsec : in G4 9.6)
- New nuclear capture at rest and lepton-nuclear (replaced CHIPS with FTF/Preco + BERT)
- New treatment of hyperons, anti-hyperons, anti-protons, light-ions and light anti-ions (replaced CHIPS or LEP with FTF/Preco (+BERT for hyperons, or +BIC for light ions); kept CHIPS xsec for hyperons and anti-hyperons)

Pion showers in simplified calorimeters

Note: when data is shown, these are rescaled ATLAS test-beam data (obtained with an old version of Geant4, before G4 9.4)

FTFP_BERT response



FTFP_BERT energy resolution



E^{beam} (GeV)

E_{kin} (GeV)

FTFP_BERT lateral shower shape



FTFP_BERT longitudinal shower shape



FTFP_BERT after G4 9.6

- Latest tuning of FTF (included in G4 9.6.ref07)
 - Increased significantly the probability to produce delta-isobars
 - Switched off hadron-nucleus and nucleus-nucleus diffraction

has a significant impact on hadronic showers; still evaluating its thin-target motivations...

- Future developments
 - Fritiof re-scattering with Bertini (vs. Binary)
 - Fritiof code revision & consolidation
 - Bertini coupled with G4 Precompound/evaporation
 - Making Bertini more physically realistic
 - Revision of the transition energy interval between FTFP and BERT
 - Try to use Binary Cascade for low-energy (< ~1-2 GeV) nucleons
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 Most of this is ready, but likely needs careful re-tuning...

A word of caution on our strategy



- It happened that physics-motivated improvements to a model produced worse thin-target data comparisons
 - For example Bertini : is this due to an old tuning?
- It happened that a new tuning of a model improved some thin-target data comparisons, but worsen others
 - For example latest Fritiof tuning : shall we look at the showers?^{\circ}

Summary and Outlook

- The most important use of Geant4 hadronic physics in HEP is the simulation of hadronic showers, needed to simulate jets
- Significant progress in the simulation of hadronic showers over the years, driven mainly by calorimeter test-beams
- **FTFP_BERT** the current recommended physics list
 - Recent improvements in lateral hadronic shower shapes
 - Wider showers in **Fe** and **Cu**
 - Energy resolution too optimistic (at least at high energies)
 - Stable energy response and longitudinal shower shapes
 - Need new comparisons with (LHC & CALICE) test-beam data
- Looking forward to the next LPCC Detector Simulation Workshop (early 2014)
 - Latest comparisons of simulations with LHC data
 - Simulations with FTFP_BERT and recent versions of Geant4