High-energy simulation experience from DAMPE

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Outline

- DAMPE & Simulation:
 - Cosmic-Ray (CR) proton/ion analyses
 - High-energies (>100 TeV)
 - Cosmic-Ray (CR) electron analysis

The DAMPE detector



DAMPE Software framework



Geometry

- Geometry model in Geant4 is created from the CAD drawings
 - Each CAD geometry element is saved as a tessellated solid in an STL file
 - STL converted to GDML with material assignment using the conversion tool*



* https://github.com/tihonav/cad-to-geant4-converter



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CR proton/ion analyses Simulation challenges



Simulation challenges in CR analysis





Simulation E > 100 TeV/nucl

Baseline simulation: Geant4



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 Geant4 hadronic simulation shows very good agreement with beamtest data, at PS—SF[^]



FLUKA

• Alternative FLUKA simulation of DAMPE is implemented in parallel with the baseline Geant4 simulation



Geant4—CRMC interface

- Running Geant4 simulations at > 100 TeV energies? \rightarrow CRMC interface:
 - Allows to run simulations with using the DPMJET, EPOS and other models in Geant4:





Geant4—CRMC interface



If E < Ether
 use FTFP (GEANT4)
else
 use CRMC (EPOS/DPMJET/..)</pre>

FLUKA & Geant4—CRMC

 Geant4 and Fluka show discrepancy at low (<100 GeV) and high (>10 TeV) energies



FLUKA & Geant4-CRMC

- Geometrical acceptance is consistent between FLUKA and G4
- The difference observed for HE trigger efficiency at low energies (<100 GeV)



Hadronic cross-sections uncertainties



 Uncertainty of hadronic cross-sections in MC simulations → can be tested by varying cross-sections at Geant4 level:

```
# Modify elastic/inelastic cross-section by 10% down
SimAlg.Set("ModifyInelasticCrossSection", "0.9")
# Set minimal particle energy for which the cross-section is modified
SimAlg.Set("ModifyCrossSectionMinTotalEnergyGeV", "0")
```

CR electron analysis Simulation challenges

- Electron/proton discrimination in DAMPE is based on the shoer-shape variables:
 - Sum of shower RMS in all 14 layers of the BGO calorimeter (RMS_i)
 - Fraction of energy in the last BGO layer (\mathcal{F}_{last})





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 At >5 TeV energies Deep Learning or similar approaches appear promising for e/p discrimination → represents challenge for the simulation.



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 Excluding some non well-modelled variables from DNN allowed to maintain good data-MC agreement of the classifier score, while keeping (almost) the same DNN performance.



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