Status of MC Validation with HEC Testbeam Data

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- Collaboration between MPI and Kosice
- Status of validation of GEANT4 version 8.0
- Other MC validation tasks



Validation of GEANT4 version 8.0

- Beam tests of HEC serial modules
- Stand-alone simulation codes
- New round of GEANT4 simulations: version 8.0 + patch-01
- Simulated/analysed samples:
 - scan over the GEANT4 range cut with electrons
 - electron energy scans (to be analysed)
 - pion energy scans (to be analysed)



Simulation packages

- GEANT4
 - Version **6.2p02**
 - October 2004
 - LHEP 3.7
 - PACK 2.4

- Version **7.0p01**
- February 2005
- LHEP 3.7
- PACK 2.4

- Version 8.0p01
- February 2006
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- PACK 5.0

- GEANT3
 - Version 3 21
 - G-CALOR (hadronic shower code)
 - 100 keV transport cuts and 1 MeV process cuts
- HEC geometry: the same in GEANT4 and very similar in GEANT3





- 100 GeV electrons
- GEANT4 range cut: 5 $\mu \rm{m}$ 5 mm
- 5000 events per cut
- Variables:
 - visible energy in LAr gaps E_{LAr}
 - energy deposited in copper plates E_{Cu}
 - their sum E_{SUM}
 - EM-scale parameter $\alpha = E_{BEAM} / \langle E_{LAr} \rangle$
 - sampling fraction $S = \langle E_{LAr} \rangle / \langle E_{Cu} \rangle$















Comparison with experiment: Signal in one cell

- Cell with the maximal average signal
- Visible energy \Rightarrow Current
- Conversion factor

 (from detailed modeling of the HEC electronic chain):
 7.135 μA/GeV
 with an uncertainty of ±1 %





Comparison with experiment: Energy resolution





Time of simulations

- Batch farm at MPI
- 2 processor computers
- 1533 MHz









GEANT4 version 8.0: Some conclusions

New round of GEANT4 based simulations with version **8.0p01** was carried out for the HEC stand-alone testbeam. Analysis of the range cut scan for electrons is done. Comparison with experimental results and results of previous simulations (GEANT4 versions **7.0p01** and **6.2p02**, GEANT3) is fulfilled.

- Certain changes are observed in the new version:
 - broader plateau of the visible energy in LAr as a function of the range cut between 5 and 500 $\mu{\rm m}$
 - increase of the visible energy (2-4 %)
 - decrease of the total deposited energy (0.5 %)
 - increase of the simulation time by factor ${\sim}2$ (w.r.t. version 7.0)
- Obtained results are to be discussed with GEANT4 experts
- Analysis of energy scans with electrons and charged pions is going on



Other MC validation issues

- Description of the HEC geometry for ATLAS (more realistic than the present one)
- Validation of the simulation and reconstruction software for the combined EMEC/HEC/FCal testbeam
 - Athena framework
 - on-going work
- GEANT4 physics evaluation with combined EMEC/HEC testbeam data
 - stand-alone codes for simulation and reconstruction
 - no progress for a while
- Participation in the validation of the Athena based software for the combined EMEC/HEC testbeam (in the long-term perspective)

