# Tests of GEANT4 using the CALICE calorimeters

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 $\blacklozenge$  Electromagnetic particles (µ, e) were used to understand behaviour of the CALICE calorimeters.

Here focus on hadronic showers + comparison with GEANT4 simulations.

- CALICE calorimeters are highly granular (aimed at Particle Flow)
  - Measure shower profiles with high resolution
  - Determine interaction point accurately
  - Internal structure of shower (e.g. MIP-like track segments)
  - Software compensation
  - PFA tests using data

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## CALICE test beams

- Major beam tests, using π, μ, e
   beams:
- 2006-7 SiW ECAL + AHCAL + TCMT
   @ CERN
- 2008 SiW ECAL + AHCAL + TCMT
   @ Fermilab
- 2008-9 Scint-W ECAL + AHCAL + TCMT @ Fermilab
- 2010 DHCAL + TCMT @ Fermilab
- ✤ 2010 W HCAL @ CERN





## Data and MC

- Show results from 2007 CERN test beam campaign
  - Si-W ECAL 24 X<sub>0</sub>, ~1  $\lambda_{int}$ ; 30 layers of 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup> Si pads.
  - Fe-Scintillator analogue HCAL, ~4 λ<sub>int</sub>; 38 layers of (mainly) 3x3 cm<sup>2</sup> scintillator tiles with SiPM readout.
  - Fe-Scintillator Tail Catcher + Muon Tracker (TCMT); ~5  $\lambda_{int}$ ; 16 layers of 5 cm scintillator strips.
- Muon beams for calibration; electron beams for testing detector performance.
- Focus here on  $\pi^{\pm}$  beams in range 8-80 GeV key range for jets at LC.
- Compare with GEANT4 using several hadronic physics lists:
  - LHEP, QGSP\_BERT, QGSP\_BERT, QGSP\_FTFP\_BERT, FTFP\_BERT, FTFP\_BERT\_TRV, QGSP\_BIC, QGS\_BIC, FTF\_BIC
- Version 4.9.3 (December 2009) unless otherwise stated; some comparisons based on 4.9.2 at this stage.

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## "Tracking calorimetry"





 Can identify shower start with good precision.

 Exponential distribution of start points in the AHCAL

 $\Rightarrow$  infer effective interaction length.

Serves as a cross-section check on Fe in GEANT4.

All models OK, apart from LHEP.

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#### Similarly - probability of not interacting in ECAL

As identified through MIP-like energy deposition in ECAL



Serves as a test of the GEANT4 cross-sections on Tungsten Most physics lists within 1-2% of data Most conspicuous outlier is LHEP

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## Energy in ECAL (QGSP\_BERT physics list)



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# Energy deposited in ECAL

#### Show trend of <E(MC)>/<E(Data)> vs beam energy



Steps seen as Geant4 makes transitions between models
 Most models within 10% of data, but tend to overestimate at high energies

Closest overall seems to be FTF\_BIC

LHEP is a striking outlier, diverging significantly at high energies



## HCAL energy resolution + linearity



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## Transverse shower profile in ECAL



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## Tails of transverse profiles - ECAL



Most models underestimate shower width at high energies. FTF lists fit data best

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## Mean shower radius in HCAL







Most physics lists give too small shower radius QGSC\_CHIPS close





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## 95% containment radius in HCAL



(a)

(b)

Most physics lists underestimate tail. But QGSC\_CHIPS overestimates. FTF\_BIC closest.





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## Transverse profiles in AHCAL



Most physics lists give too small shower radius and underestimate tail.
QGSC\_CHIPS gets radius right, but shape is all wrong.
FTF\_BIC best in the far tail.
Important not to put too much emphasis on any single observable; no physics list gets everything right.





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CERN 2007, 15 GeV #

Data

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## Longitudinal shower profile

- The observed longitudinal shower shape reflects a convolution of the distribution of shower starting points with the true shower shape.
- High granularity allows us to identify the shower start to within ±1 layers typically.
- Can then measure shower longitudinal development w.r.t. this point.
- Look at ECAL first. Restrict study to showers starting in first 10 layers of ECAL, so that almost 1 λ<sub>int</sub> in the ECAL is available to develop the shower. And ~20X<sub>0</sub> so that photons in initial interaction can shower fully.



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## Shower profiles w.r.t. interaction point

12 GeV data compared to 8 physics lists



In simulation, can record hit energies associated with each particle species. Note that "mesons" ( $\pi$ ,  $\mu$ , K), e<sup>±</sup> and protons have distinctive shower profiles. No physics list completely fits the data.

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## Shower profiles w.r.t. interaction point

Compare two physics lists at 4 energies



Three main components can be observed:

•Short range component (mainly protons; nuclear spallation)

- •Electromagnetic component
- Longer range components; mesons + MIP-like protons

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#### Focus on different regions of the shower:



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#### ... continued ...



Layers 30-50 Mainly hadron dominated Most models within ~10% of data QGSP models slightly favoured

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## Likewise in HCAL (18 GeV)

Requiring showers to start in first 5 layers of HCAL



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HCAL not so discriminating between components, but similar effects seen to ECAL. LHEP especially disfavoured; also QGS(P)\_BIC less good in HCAL. Others roughly equally successful.

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## Track segments

Identify tracks of MIP-like hits in the HCAL. LHEP, QGS\_BIC again disfavoured



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## PandoraPFA tests



Superimpose two showers from data with various transverse separations

- One 10 or 30 GeV  $\pi^-$
- One 10 GeV "neutral"  $\pi^-$  without its incident track segment
- Run PandoraPFA and look at reconstruction of the neutral cluster
- Look at offset and resolution (i.e. confusion) w.r.t. expected energy
- Neither physics list perfect, but QGSP\_BERT certainly better then LHEP





## Software compensation



- $e/\pi \neq 1$  in CALICE calorimeters
- Several approaches to software compensation studied
- One example shown above
- Basic idea is that e/m parts of showers are denser, so use weighting of hits to energy density
- ✤ Typically achieve relative improvement of ~10-20% in energy resolution.
- Improvement is modelled reasonably well, but not perfectly, by typical GEANT4 models



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## Summary

- Just presented a few results from CALICE here relating to validation of GEANT4. More in talks in Calorimetry session.
- ECAL and HCAL have complementary merits:
  - ECAL has higher granularity + Tungsten absorber. More effective in discrimination between  $e/\pi/p$  components of shower. But only samples first  $\lambda_{int}$  of the shower.
  - ♦ HCAL (+TCMT) detect ~ full shower energy ⇒ linearity, resolution studies; tails of showers; sensitive to neutron component.
- In general, GEANT4 performs pretty well, to the 10% level, for most observables, and using most of the physics lists studied.
- A few broad conclusions:
  - LHEP is clearly the least recommendable physics list (useful if you want an outlier).
  - QGSP\_BERT (favoured by LHC GPD calorimetry) is a pretty reasonable choice. But in GEANT4.9.3 there is some indication that the FTFbased models perform slightly better. None is perfect.
  - As usual, it depends what you care most about...
  - Other interesting possibilities, such as use of the CHIPS model, are coming along.



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## SiW ECAL



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## Analogue HCAL

#### Highly Granular AHCAL Prototype

AHCAL size $\sim 1m^3$ materialsSteel -Scintillatorlayers38interaction length $5.3\lambda_I$ x-yscannableimpact angle0-30 deg

channels 7608 cell size (cm<sup>2</sup>) 3x3 to 12x12 light yield ~13 pixel/MIP S/N ~10



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## Physics lists in GEANT4.9.3



All are hybrids of several models; random selection between alternatives in the transition region in order to smooth behaviour.

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#### Some electron results in ECAL



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# Longitudinal profiles in HCAL (8 GeV)



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## Longitudinal profiles in HCAL (8 GeV)

