



# Introduction to Monte Carlo for Particle Physics Study

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# Credit where credit is due

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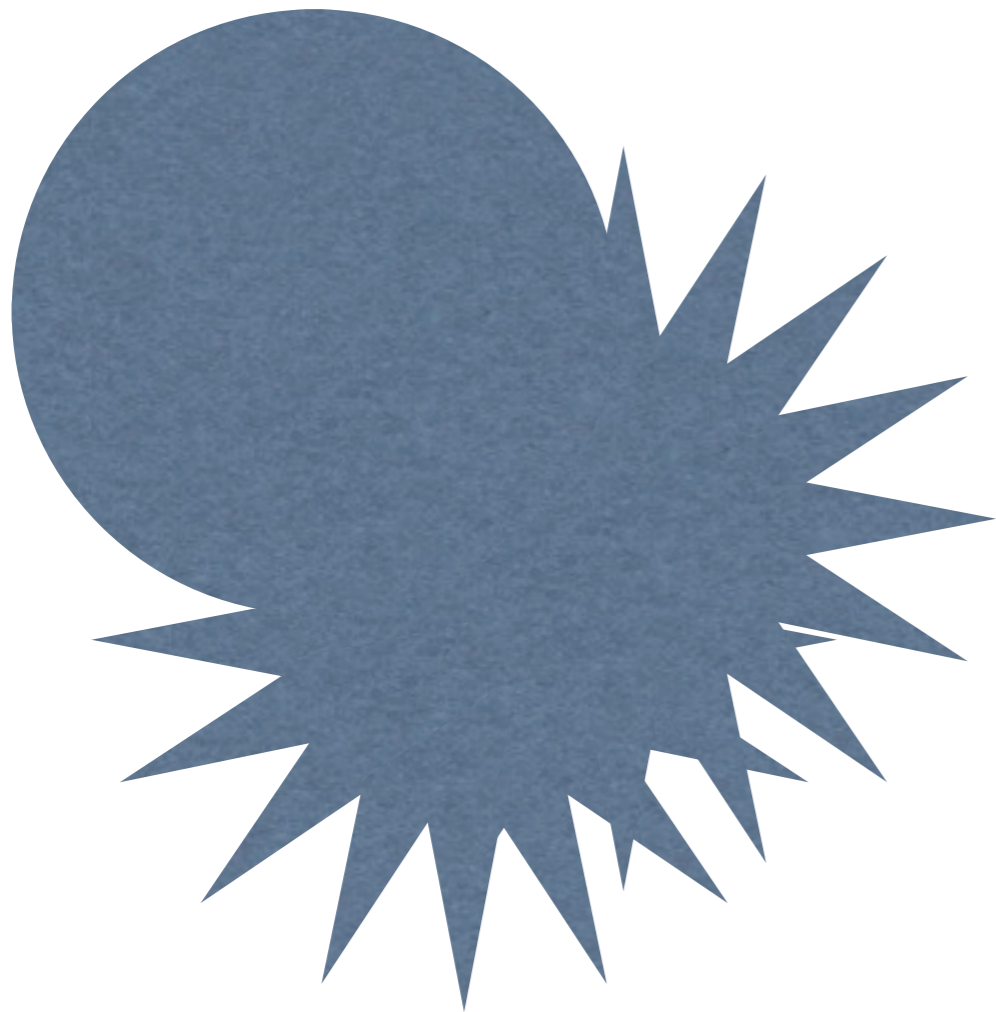
- Tomasz Wlodek (Monte Carlo methods in HEP)
- Concezio Bozzi (Monte Carlo simulation in Particle Physics)
- P. Richardson
- CERN-Fermilab school 2009
- Geant4 school 2009



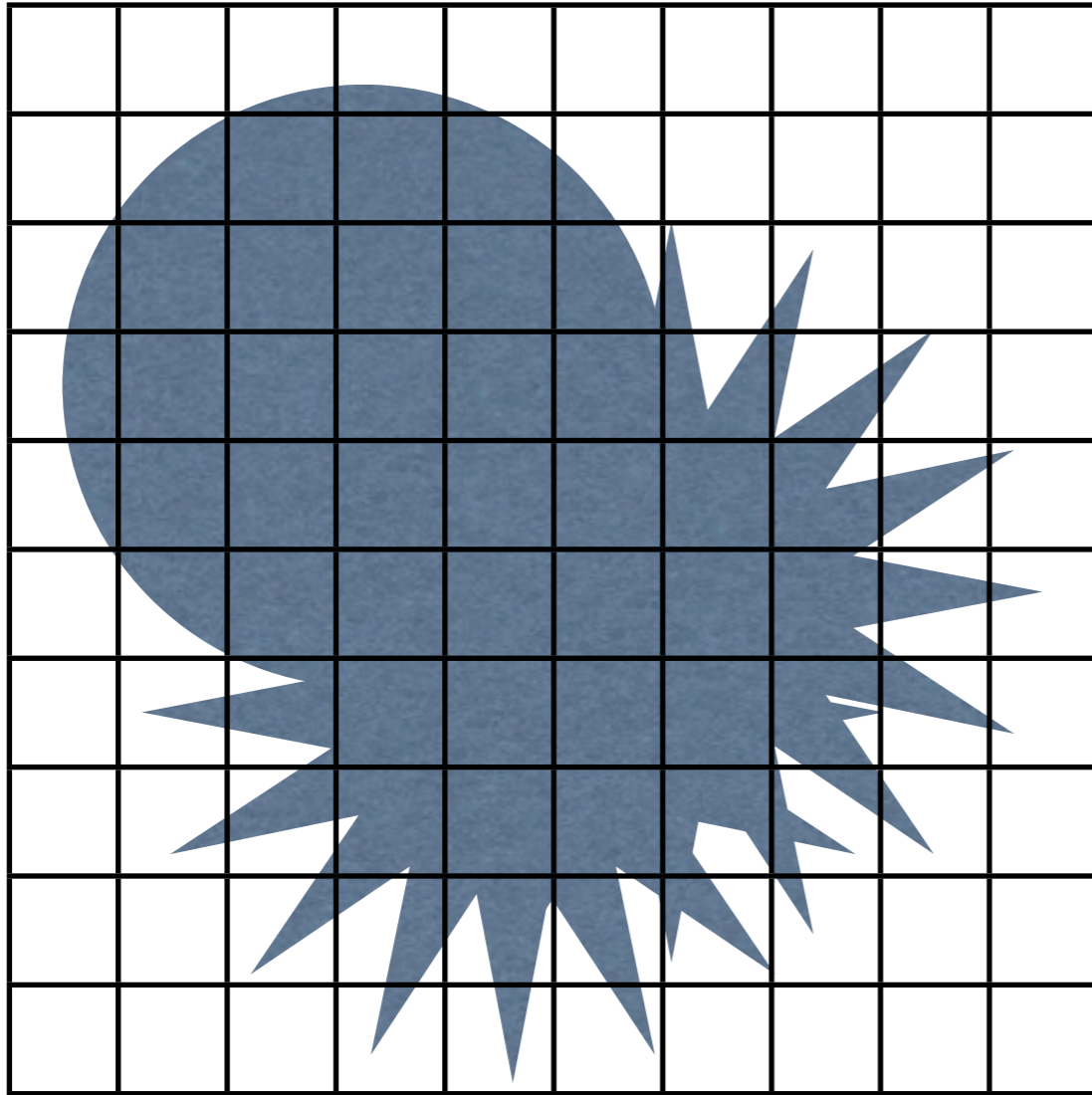
# Monte Carlo (MC) [From Tomasz Wlodek slides]

General idea is “Instead of performing long complex calculations, perform large number of experiments using random number generation and see what happens”

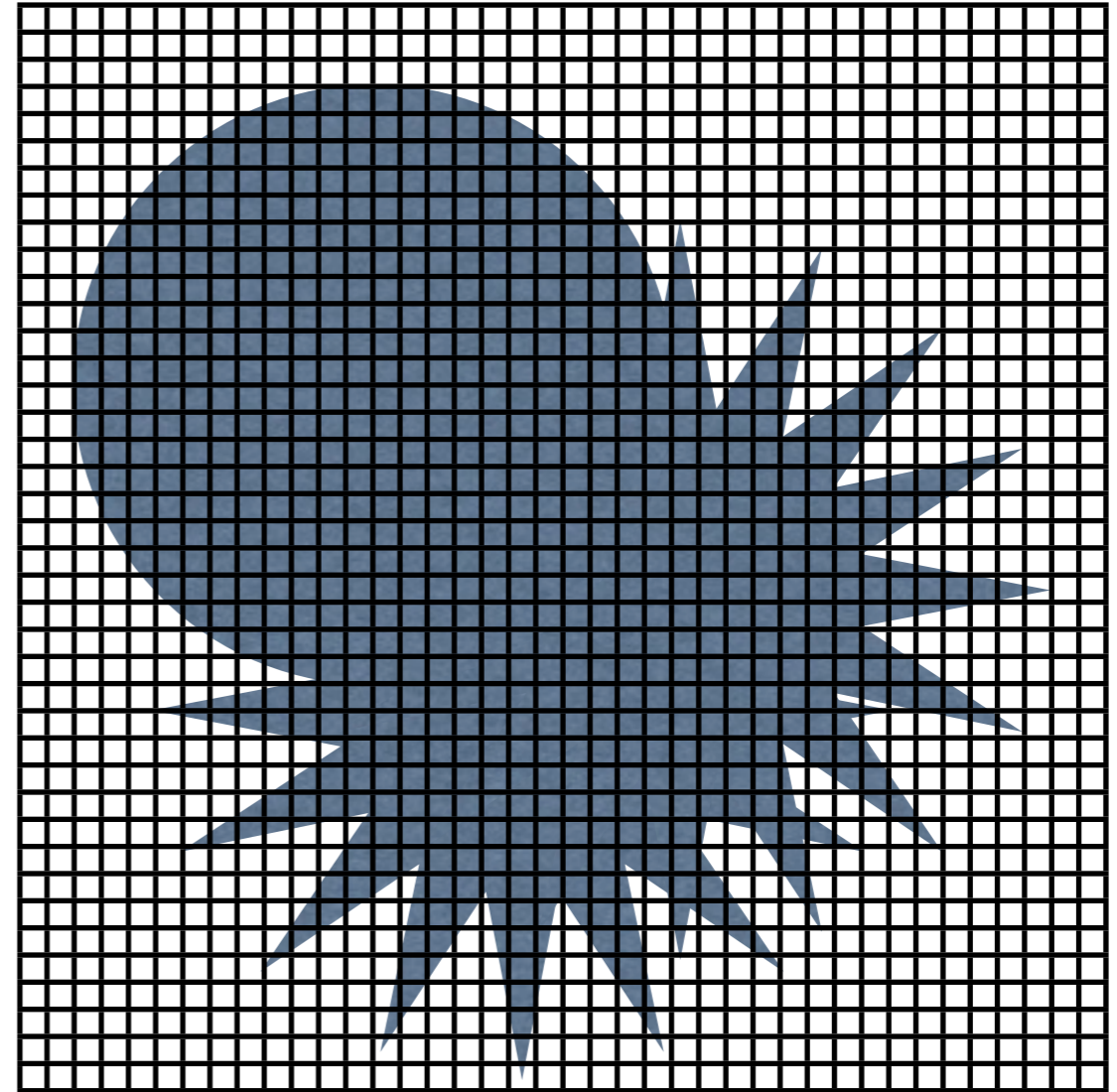
Problem: Calculate the area of this shape



Any idea?



10x10



40x40

$$\text{Area} = (\# \text{ Hits}) / (\# \text{ Total}) \times \text{total area}$$

# History

Method formally developed by John Neumann during the World War II, but already known before. It was used to study radiation shielding and distance that neutrons would likely travel through material.

Von Neumann chose the codename "Monte Carlo". The name is a reference to the Monte Carlo Casino in Monaco where Ulam's uncle would borrow money to gamble.



# Why Monte Carlo?

Monte Carlo assumes the system is described by probability density functions (PDF) which can be modeled. It does not need to write down and solve equation analytically/numerically.

PDF comes from

- Data driven
- Theory driven
- Data + Theory fitting

# Particle physics uses MC for

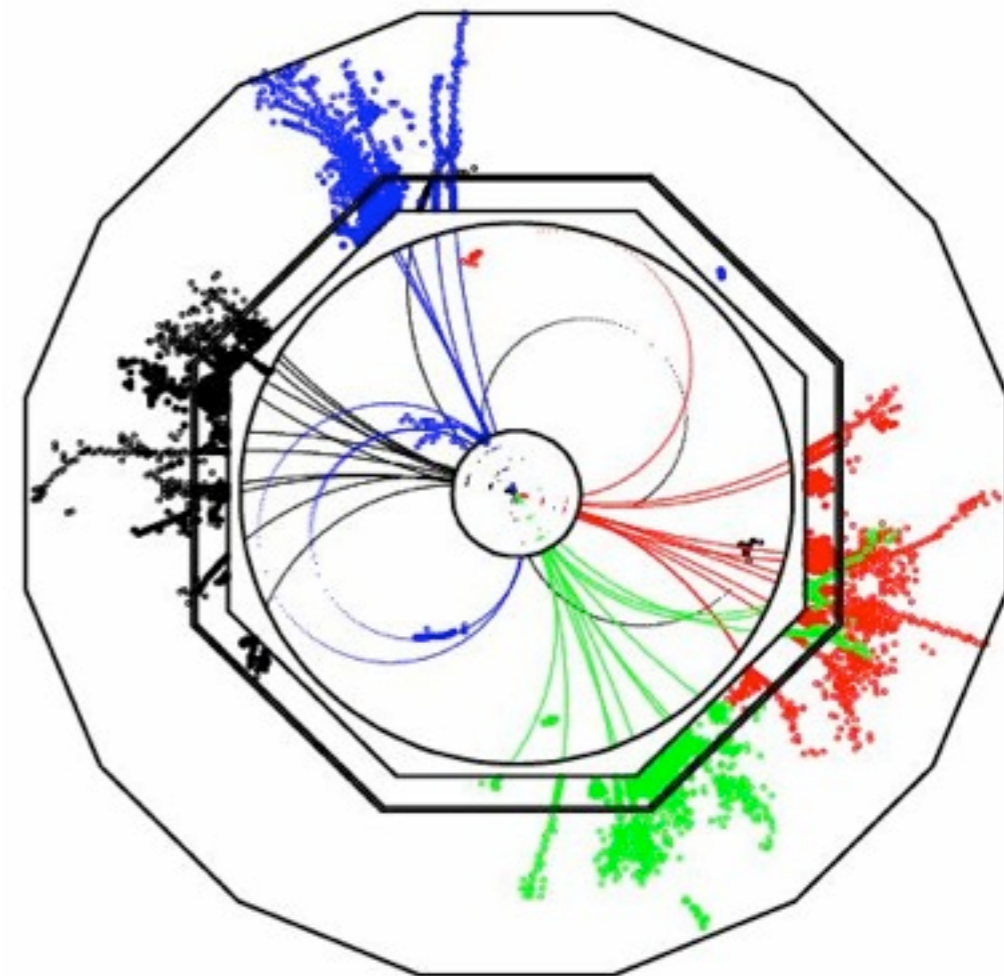
## (1) Detector design and optimization

- Complicate and huge detector
- Very expensive

## (2) Simulation of particle interactions with detector's material

## (3) Physics analysis

- New predicted physics: SUSY, UED, ...
- Event selection
- Background estimation
- Efficiencies of detector/algorithm/...



# Monte Carlo Simulation in HEP

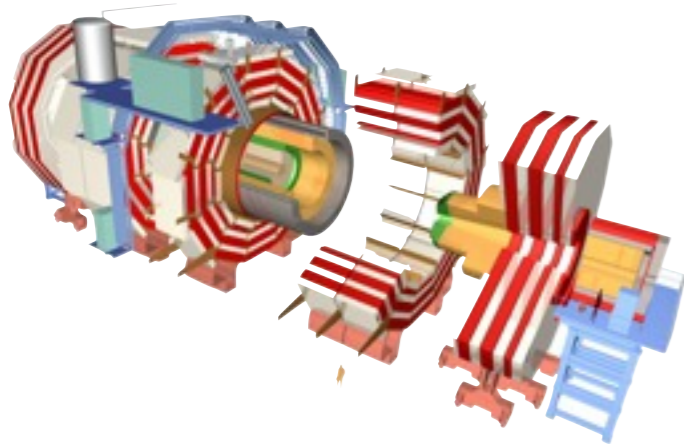
Choose model, constraints, parameters, decay chain of interest

**Proposed Theory**



Kinematics, information from a known (detectable) particles

**Generator**



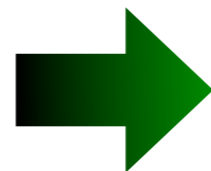
Detector Simulation  
- Hardware  
- Software

**Simulation Digitization Triggering**

Offline software  
- Event selection

**Reconstruction Analysis**

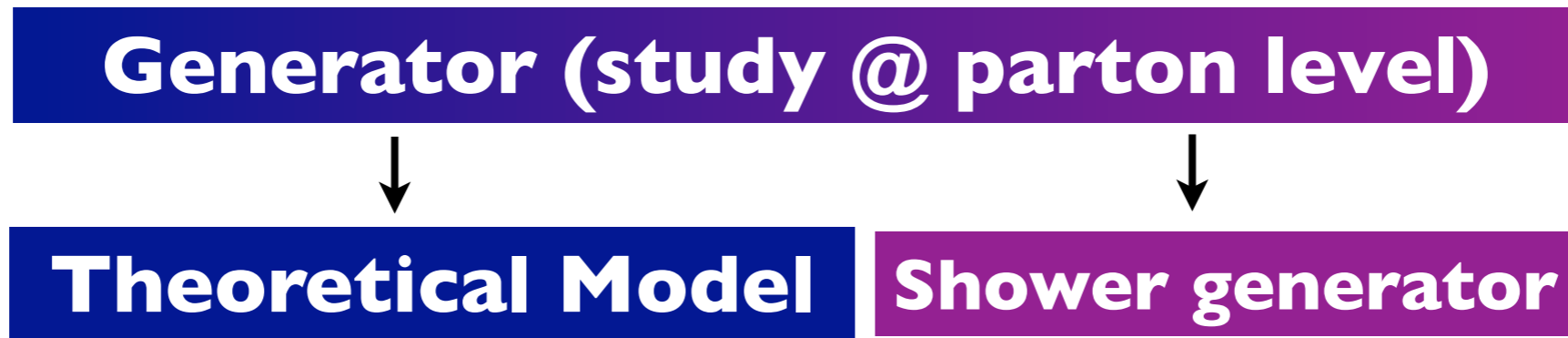
**Experiment Triggering**



Results Improvement



# Monte Carlo generators



Input: Model parameters.

Output: Four-vector of momenta of stable/quasi-stable particles produced in interactions

Example MC generator  
Interface with CMSSW

A list of MC generator can be found in [<http://www.hepforge.org/>]

<a href="#">Pythia6</a> ★	<a href="#">Phantom</a>
<a href="#">Herwig6</a> ★	<a href="#">Hydjet</a>
<a href="#">Pythia8</a> ★	<a href="#">Pyquen</a>
<a href="#">ThePEG (Herwig++, Ariadne 5)</a> ★	<a href="#">Cosmic Muon Generator</a>
<a href="#">ALPGEN</a>	<a href="#">Beam Halo Muon Generator</a>
<a href="#">MadGraph</a>	<a href="#">ExHuME</a>
<a href="#">MC@NLO</a>	<a href="#">Pomwig</a>
<a href="#">POWHEG</a>	<a href="#">BcGenerator</a>
<a href="#">SHERPA</a>	<a href="#">HARDCOL</a>

## Questions

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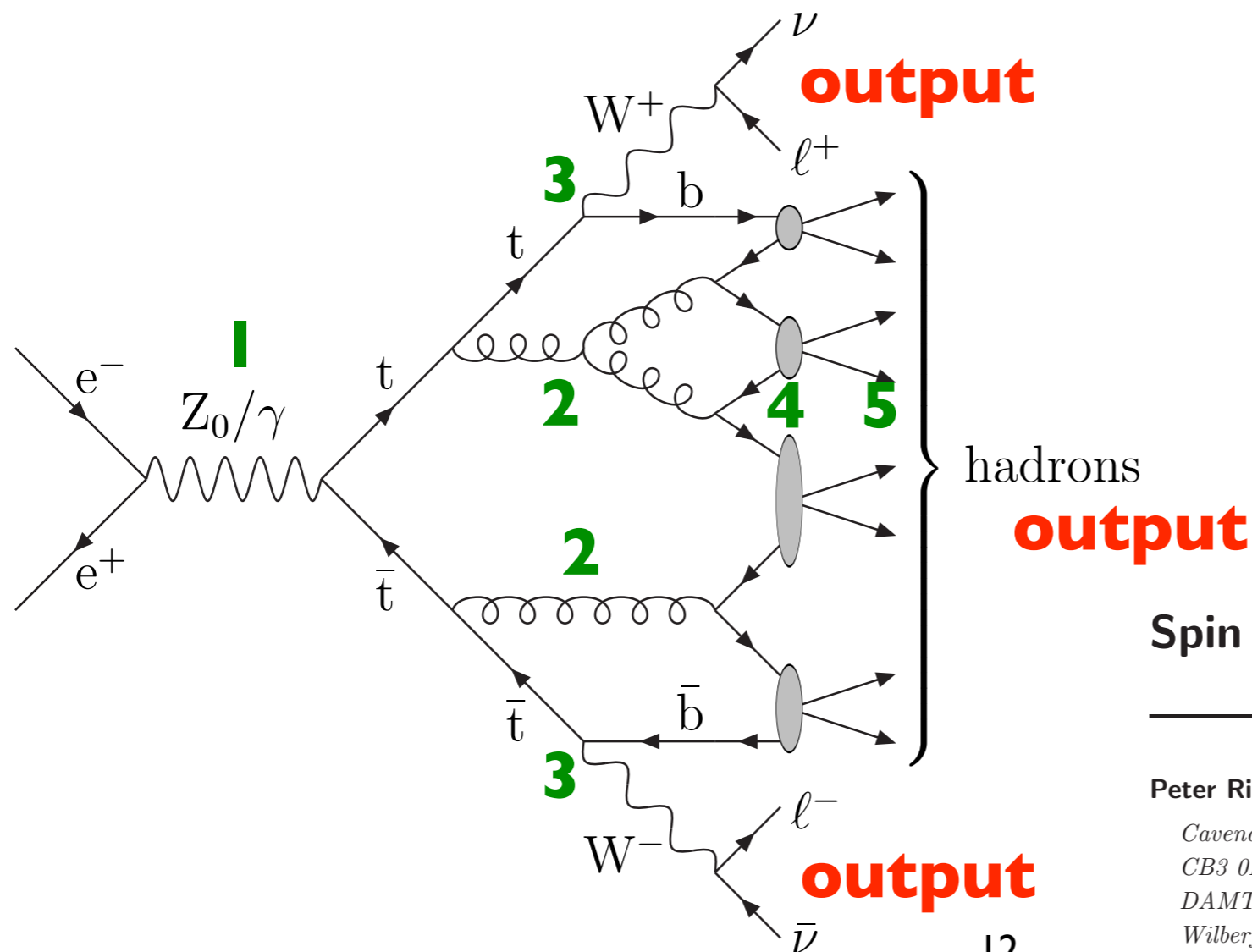
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Type	Name	Symbol	Mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	Mean lifetime
Lepton	Electron / Positron	$e^- / e^+$	0.511	$> 4.6 \times 10^{26}$ years
	Muon / Antimuon	$\mu^- / \mu^+$	105.6	$2.2 \times 10^{-6}$ seconds
	Tau lepton / Antitau	$\tau^- / \tau^+$	1777	$2.9 \times 10^{-13}$ seconds
Meson	Neutral Pion	$\pi^0$	135	$8.4 \times 10^{-17}$ seconds
	Charged Pion	$\pi^+ / \pi^-$	139.6	$2.6 \times 10^{-8}$ seconds
Baryon	Proton / Antiproton	$p^+ / p^-$	938.2	$> 10^{29}$ years
	Neutron / Antineutron	$n / \bar{n}$	939.6	885.7 seconds
Boson	W boson	$W^+ / W^-$	80,400	$10^{-25}$ seconds
	Z boson	$Z^0$	91,000	$10^{-25}$ seconds

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Particle\\_decay](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Particle_decay)

# Monte Carlo event generator process

- (1) Hard process: What do you want to study?
- (2) Parton-shower phase:
- (3) Hard particles decay before hadronizing: e.g. top, SUSY
- (4) Hadronization: form observed hadron
- (5) Unstable hadrons decay: Experimentally measured BR, phase-space distribution of the decay product



## Spin Correlations in Monte Carlo Simulations

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# Verbosity: Tell in detail what program is doing

## Example: Herwig log file

Since SUSY processes are called,  
please also reference: S.Moretti, K.Odagiri,  
P.Richardson, M.H.Seymour & B.R.Webber,  
JHEP 0204 (2002) 028

Reading in SUSY data from unit 66

### INPUT CONDITIONS FOR THIS RUN

```
BEAM 1 (P ) MOM. = 7000.00
BEAM 2 (P ) MOM. = 7000.00
PROCESS CODE (IPROC) = 3000
NUMBER OF FLAVOURS = 6
STRUCTURE FUNCTION SET = 8
AZIM SPIN CORRELATIONS = T
AZIM SOFT CORRELATIONS = T
QCD LAMBDA (GEV) = 0.1800
DOWN QUARK MASS = 0.3200
UP QUARK MASS = 0.3200
STRANGE QUARK MASS = 0.5000
CHARMED QUARK MASS = 1.5500
BOTTOM QUARK MASS = 4.9500
TOP QUARK MASS = 175.0000
GLUON EFFECTIVE MASS = 0.7500
EXTRA SHOWER CUTOFF (Q)= 0.4800
EXTRA SHOWER CUTOFF (G)= 0.1000
PHOTON SHOWER CUTOFF = 0.4000
CLUSTER MASS PARAMETER = 3.3500
SPACELIKE EVOLN CUTOFF = 2.5000
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INTRINSIC P-TRAN (RMS) = 0.0000
```

```
DECAY SPIN CORRELATIONS= T
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SUSY THREE BODY ME = T
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SUSY FOUR BODY ME = F
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```
NO EVENTS WILL BE WRITTEN TO DISK
```

```
B_d: Delt-M/Gam =0.7000 Delt-Gam/2*Gam =0.0000
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B_s: Delt-M/Gam = 10.00 Delt-Gam/2*Gam =0.2000
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PDFLIB USED FOR BEAM 1: SET*** OF HWLHAPDF
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PDFLIB USED FOR BEAM 2: SET*** OF HWLHAPDF
```

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==== HERWIG WILL USE LHAPDF ====
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* LHAPDF Version 5.2.2 *
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*****
```

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>>>>> PDF description: <<<<<<
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```
CTEQ5L
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Reference:
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H.L. Lai et al.
```

```
hep-ph/9903282
```

```
This set has 1 member PDFs.
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```
Leading Order
```

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>>>>> <<<<<<
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PDFset name /hepsw/cms/slc4_ia32_gcc345/external/lhapdf/5.2.3-  
cms2/PDFsets/cteq5l.LHgrid
```

EVENT I: 7000.00 GEV/C P ON 7000.00 GEV/C P PROCESS: 3000  
 SEEDS: 41410 & 50928 STATUS: 100 ERROR: 0 WEIGHT: 3.2279E-02

---INITIAL STATE---

IHEP	ID	IDPDG	IST	MO1	MO2	DA1	DA2	P-X	P-Y	P-Z	ENERGY	MASS	V-X	V-Y	V-Z	V-C*T
1	P	2212	101	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	7000.0	7000.0	0.94	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
2	P	2212	102	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	-7000.0	7000.0	0.94	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
3	CMF	0	103	1	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.014000	0.014000	0.00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00

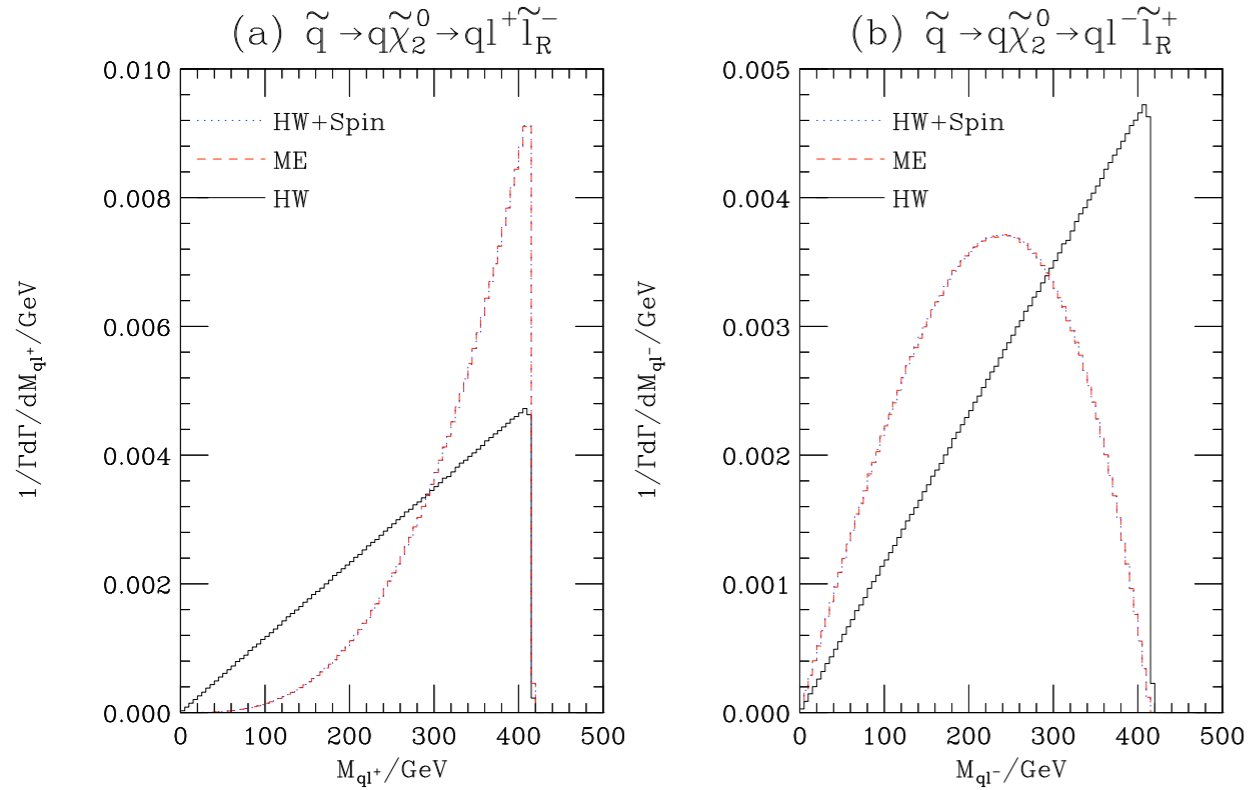
---HARD SUBPROCESS---

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4	GLUON	21	121	6	7	9	8	0.00	0.00	370.3	370.3	0.75	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
5	UQRK	2	122	6	8	23	7	0.00	0.00	-1825.6	1825.6	0.32	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
6	HARD	0	120	4	5	7	8	-0.93	-37.21	-1455.3	2196.1	1644.30	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
7	GLUINO	1000021	123	6	5	33	4	109.61	-6.30	-1522.1	1641.6	604.81	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
8	SSUR	2000002	124	6	4	35	5	-109.61	6.30	66.8	554.3	539.15	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00

---PARTON SHOWERS---

IHEP	ID	IDPDG	IST	MO1	MO2	DA1	DA2	P-X	P-Y	P-Z	ENERGY	MASS	V-X	V-Y	V-Z	V-C*T
9	GLUON	94	141	4	6	11	22	-4.81	-25.73	387.2	354.0	-158.95	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
10	CONE	0	100	4	7	0	0	1.00	-0.06	-1.3	1.6	0.00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00
11	GLUON	21	2	9	12	348	349	-1.71	-0.67	-1.5	2.5	0.75	-1.884E-13	1.924E-14	-3.534E-13	1.456E-13
12	GLUON	21	2	9	13	350	351	-0.88	0.78	-0.9	1.7	0.75	-1.884E-13	1.924E-14	-3.534E-13	1.456E-13
13	GLUON	21	2	9	14	352	353	-2.10	1.29	-0.6	2.6	0.75	7.628E-16	1.278E-14	-1.909E-13	-1.791E-13
14	GLUON	21	2	9	15	354	355	-1.94	1.53	3.4	4.3	0.75	4.095E-15	2.568E-14	-7.810E-13	-7.659E-13
15	GLUON	21	2	9	47	356	357	-2.13	-0.76	95.8	95.8	0.75	-5.939E-15	3.248E-14	-4.639E-12	-4.624E-12
16	UD	2101	3	9	0	46	0	0.00	0.00	4705.8	4705.8	0.64	3.135E-13	9.477E-13	-5.015E-10	-5.014E-10
17	UQRK	2	2	9	18	358	301	0.37	1.05	1723.7	1723.7	0.32	3.135E-13	9.477E-13	-5.015E-10	-5.014E-10
18	GLUON	21	2	9	19	359	360	2.18	2.40	27.5	27.7	0.75	2.027E-13	2.212E-13	1.855E-12	1.884E-12
19	GLUON	21	2	9	20	361	362	3.43	3.08	57.2	57.4	0.75	2.027E-13	2.212E-13	1.855E-12	1.884E-12

# Test @ parton result --- You know what you generate ---



**Figure 3:** Distribution of the mass of quark and lepton produced in the decay  $\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow q\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow q\ell^\pm\tilde{\ell}_R^\mp$ . The solid line gives the result of phase space, the dashed line gives the full result and the dotted line the result of the spin correlation algorithm.

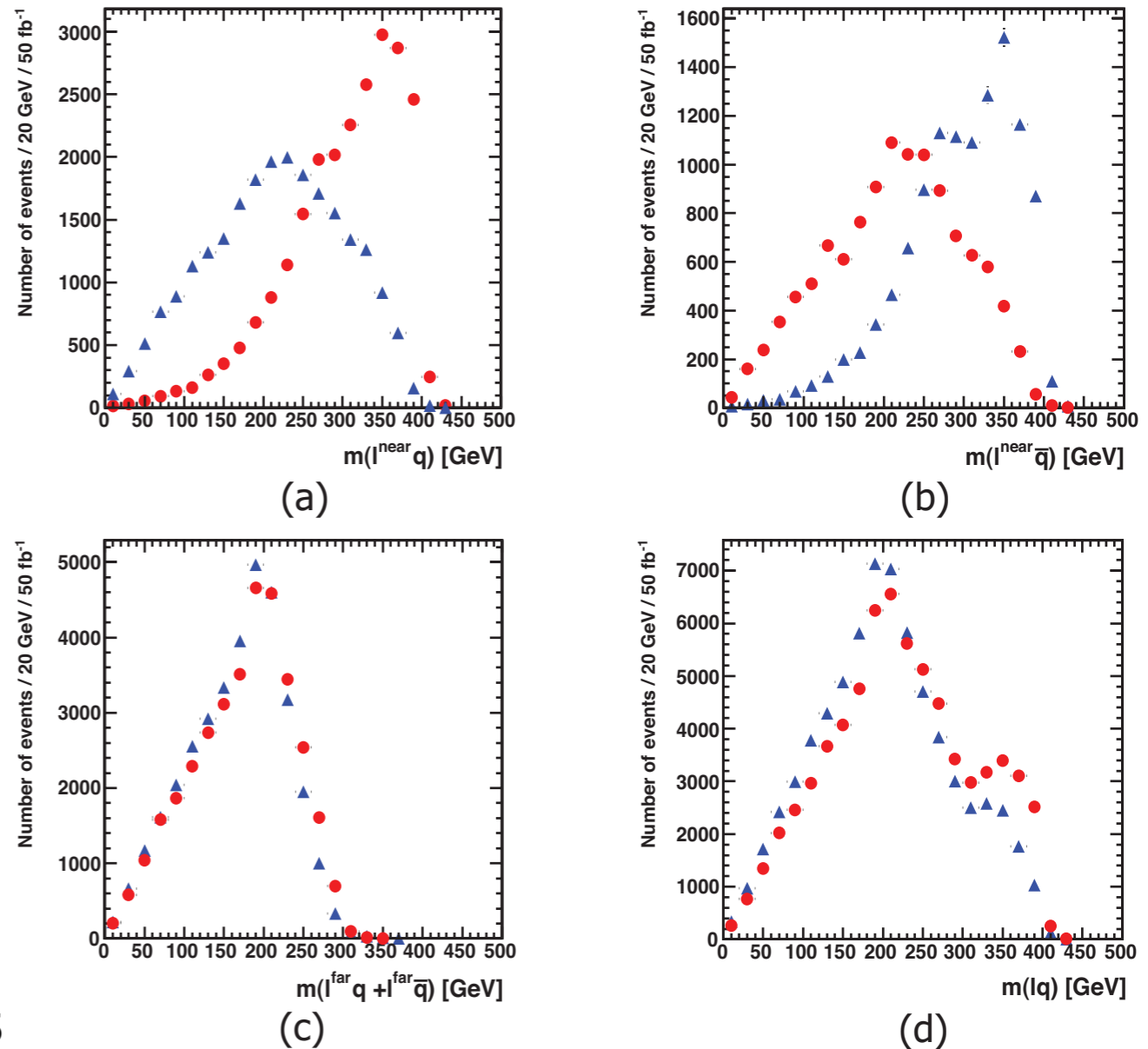
Proposed by generator

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What you got from generator



# Monte Carlo generators (theoretician)

Remember: You need PDF to build MC program

- Learn to describe particle production/decay by matrix element (amplitude) of that process (Explain in QFT)
- Calculate PDF by squaring matrix element, integrate, approximate
- Learn QCD (to deal with jet fragmentation, parton)
- Computational + Mathematical skills are needed

## Real life

There are few theoretical groups who provide us the MC event generator:

- Lund University, Sweden (PYTHIA)
- INP, Krakow, Poland (TAUOLA, PHOTOS)
- Other groups
  - HERWIG
  - ISAJET
  - ...



# Monte Carlo generators (experimentalist)

HEP experimentalists do not write MC generator ourselves (^\_^)!!

We use/modify MC generators proposed by theoretical groups.

Your best MC generator is a generator which serve you results that you believe/study.

## Read manual (VERY IMPORTANT)

You may need more than a MC generator to generate particles for the new physics.

For SUSY, you need mass spectrum + BR + hadronization



Link with standard txt files, i.e. LHE

The Les Houches Events (LHE) file format is an agreement between Monte Carlo event generators and theorists to define **Matrix Element** level event listings in a common language.

HEP event generation can typically be split into the following steps: **Matrix Element calculation**, **Parton Shower**, and **Hadronisation**. Usually the physics event of interest, as well as the cross-section information is done with the computation of the Matrix Element (PDF evaluation, phase space, amplitudes, spin correlations, etc...) and the remaining steps are used to evolve the parton-level event to its final state. All these **secondary steps** rely heavily on models and are generally **independent from the Matrix Element calculation**. Therefore only few, typically multi-purpose event generators, implement those additional steps. **Examples are Pythia (6 and 8), Herwig (Fortran and C++ versions) and Sherpa.**

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMS/SWGuideLHEInterface>

# Monte Carlo for detector simulation

We need to know how our detector will see the productions from collisions.

Detector simulation tracks the particles through detector material (simulating their interactions with material)

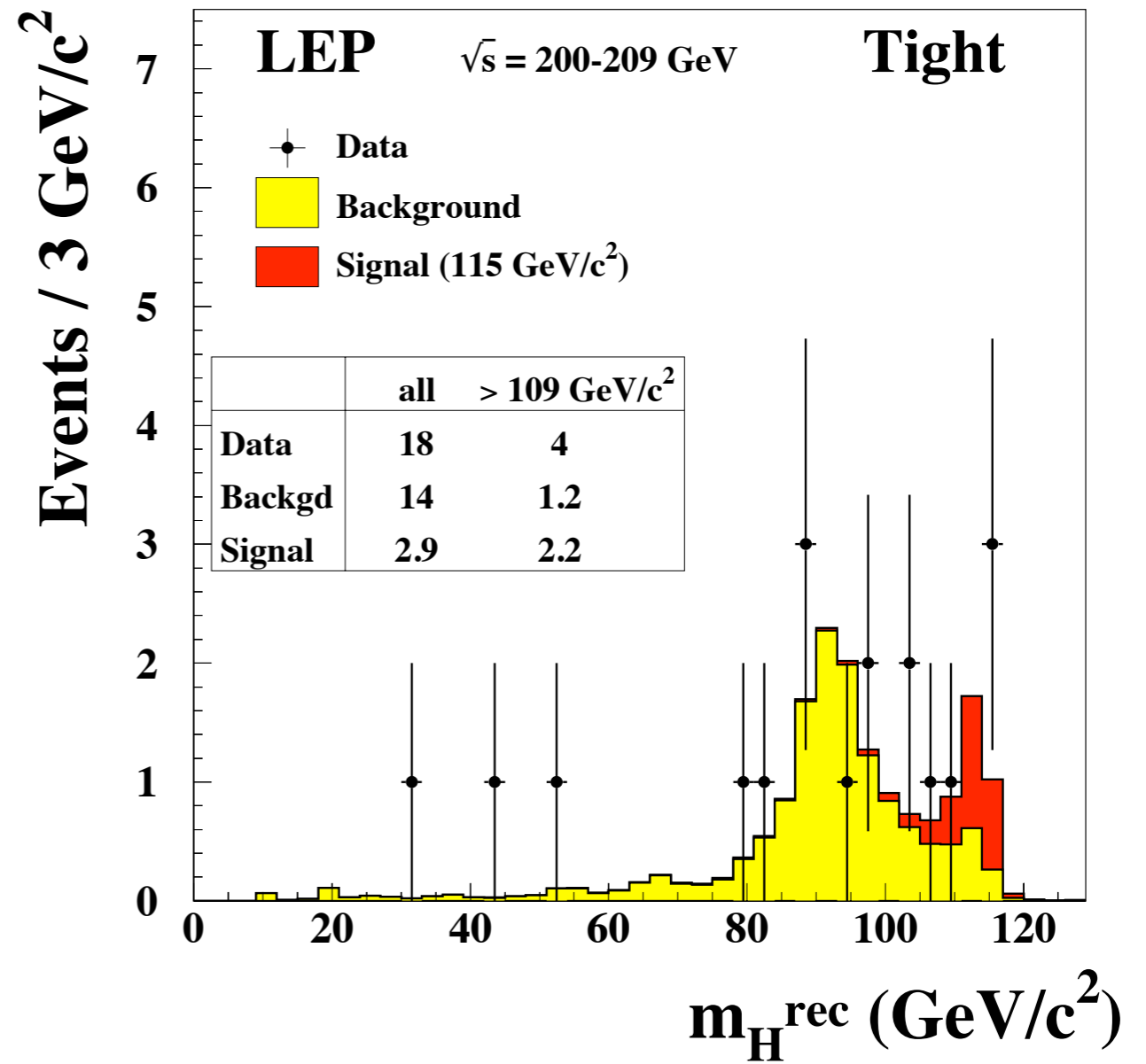
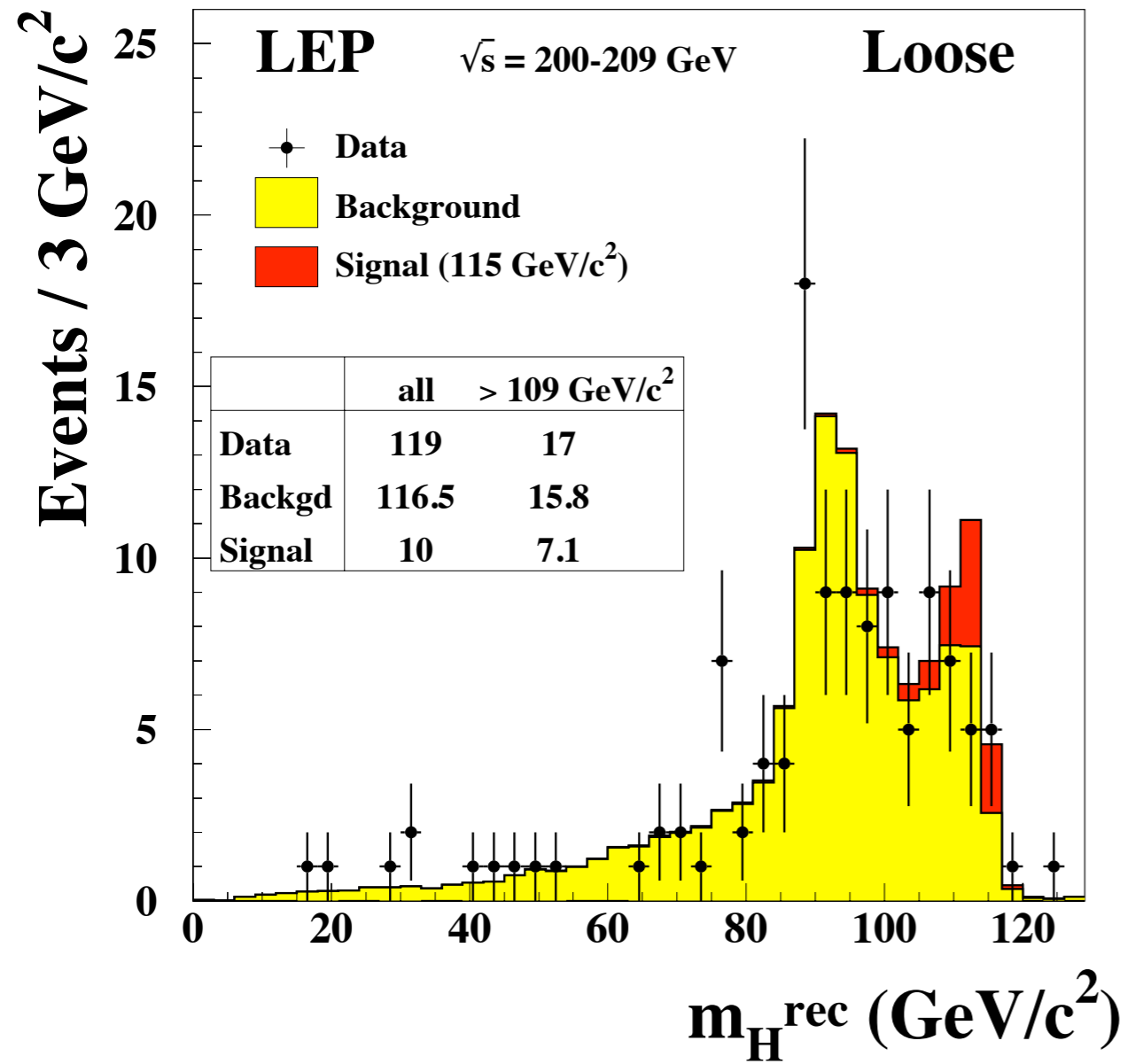
Input: group of (quasi)-stable of particles from MC generator  
group of particles from particle-gun

Output: Depend on your analysis

Popular detector simulation

- GEANT4 (<http://geant4.web.cern.ch>)
- FLUKA (<http://www.fluka.org/fluka.php>)

# Example: Higgs searches at LEP



<http://lephiggs.web.cern.ch/LEPHIGGS/www/Welcome.html>

# Example from GEANT4 novice

## Simulation of the calorimeter with Pb layers and liquid Ar detection gaps

Terminal — exampleN03 — 150x50

Current couple of seeds = 981025505, 295686320

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\* G4Track Information: Particle = e-, Track ID = 1, Parent ID = 0  
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Step#	X	Y	Z	KineE	dEStep	StepLeng	TrakLeng	Volume	Process
0	-9 cm	0 fm	0 fm	50 MeV	0 eV	0 fm	0 fm	World	initStep
1	-7.5 cm	0 fm	0 fm	50 MeV	5.19e-19 eV	1.5 cm	1.5 cm	World	Transportation
2	-7.46 cm	15 um	-19.2 um	46.6 MeV	488 keV	412 um	1.54 cm	Lead	eBren
3	-7.43 cm	15.1 um	-16.1 um	12.2 MeV	263 keV	240 um	1.57 cm	Lead	eBren
4	-7.43 cm	6.38 um	-21.7 um	12 MeV	153 keV	76.4 um	1.57 cm	Lead	eBren
5	-7.28 cm	805 um	-522 um	9.69 MeV	2.26 MeV	1.97 mm	1.77 cm	Lead	eBren
6	-7.27 cm	835 um	-537 um	9.06 MeV	93.7 keV	73.6 um	1.78 cm	Lead	eBren
7	-7.27 cm	836 um	-537 um	6 MeV	303 eV	2.15 um	1.78 cm	Lead	eBren
8	-7.2 cm	621 um	-259 um	4.77 MeV	1.23 MeV	1.08 mm	1.89 cm	Lead	eBren
9	-7.13 cm	437 um	-384 um	3.76 MeV	874 keV	851 um	1.97 cm	Lead	eBren
10	-7.14 cm	837 um	348 um	1.66 MeV	2.1 MeV	1.94 mm	2.16 cm	Lead	eIoni
11	-7.15 cm	852 um	336 um	1.51 MeV	50.1 keV	49.9 um	2.17 cm	Lead	eBren
12	-7.15 cm	865 um	114 um	266 keV	1.24 MeV	1.15 mm	2.28 cm	Lead	eIoni
13	-7.15 cm	870 um	110 um	0 eV	266 keV	126 um	2.3 cm	Lead	eIoni

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\* G4Track Information: Particle = gamma, Track ID = 8, Parent ID = 1  
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Step#	X	Y	Z	KineE	dEStep	StepLeng	TrakLeng	Volume	Process
0	-7.15 cm	852 um	336 um	106 keV	0 eV	0 fm	0 fm	Lead	initStep
1	-7.15 cm	831 um	327 um	0 eV	88 keV	32.7 um	32.7 um	Lead	phot

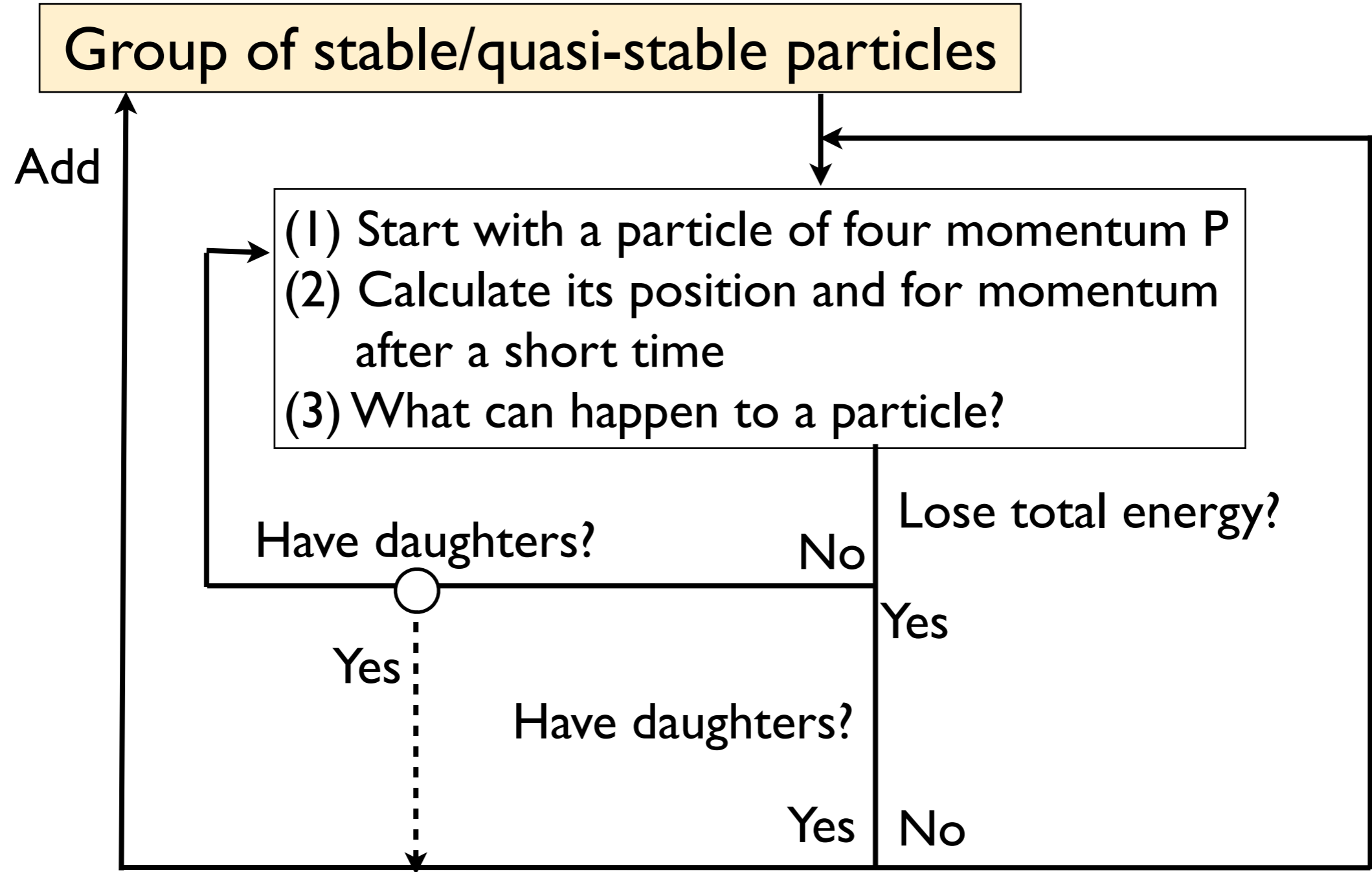
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\* G4Track Information: Particle = e-, Track ID = 9, Parent ID = 8  
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Step#	X	Y	Z	KineE	dEStep	StepLeng	TrakLeng	Volume	Process
0	-7.15 cm	831 um	327 um	18 keV	0 eV	0 fm	0 fm	Lead	initStep
1	-7.15 cm	831 um	326 um	0 eV	18 keV	1.73 um	1.73 um	Lead	eIoni

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\* G4Track Information: Particle = gamma, Track ID = 7, Parent ID = 1  
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# How does MC work in detector simulation?



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In electron case:

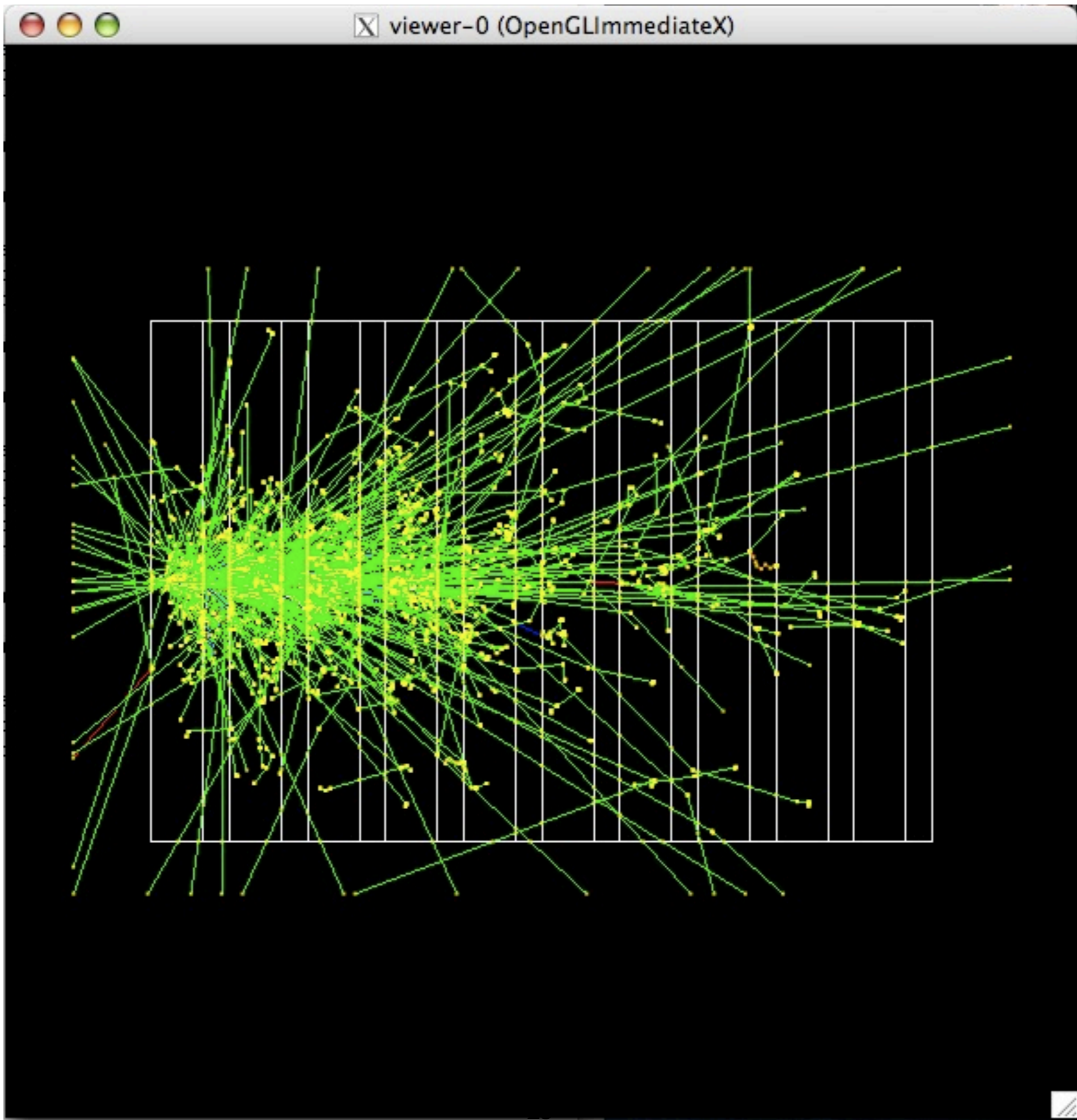
- With probability  $p$ : ionize the gas, loose some momentum, produce  $N$  secondary electrons with momentum  $p_e/N, \dots$
- Do nothing with probability  $1-p$
- Generate random number  $r$  in the range  $[0, 1]$
- If  $r < p$ , generate momenta of secondary electrons, add them to particles list, reduce the momentum of initial electron.

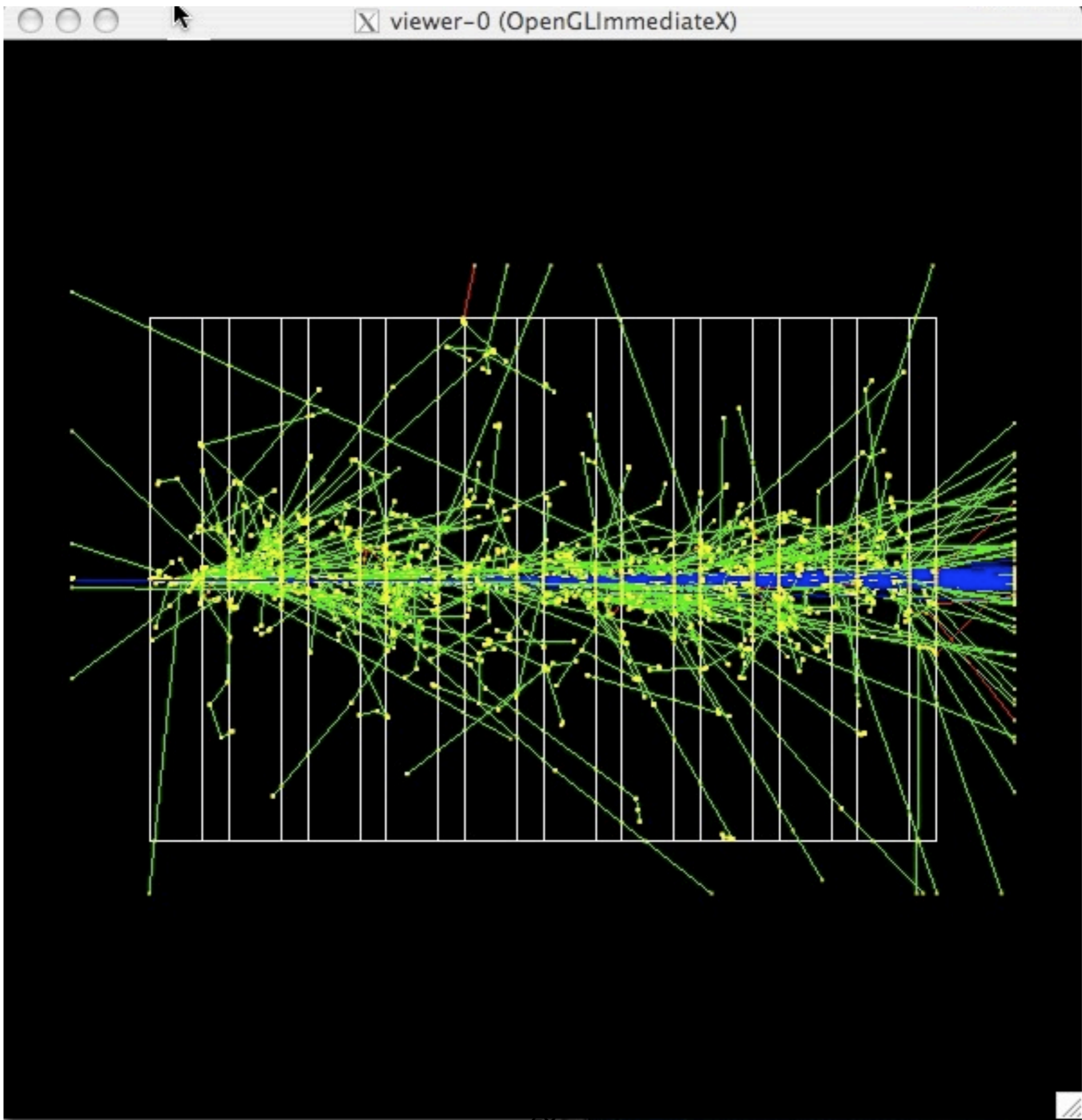
## How does MC work in detector simulation?

In photon case:

- With probability **p1**: convert and produce electron-positron pair
- With probability **p2**: Compton scattering
- With the probability **p3**: ionizing the matter
- Generate random number **r** in the range [0,1]
- Three cases:
  - $r < p1$**
  - $p1 < r < p1 + p2$**
  - $p1 + p2 < r < p1 + p2 + p3$**







# Geant4 EM packages

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- **Standard**
  - $\gamma$ , e up to 100 TeV
  - hadrons up to 100 TeV
  - ions up to 100 TeV
- **Muons**
  - up to 1 PeV
  - Energy loss propagator
- **Xrays**
  - X-ray and optical photon production processes
- **High-energy**
  - Processes at high energy ( $E > 10 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - Physics for exotic particles
- **Polarisation**
  - Simulation of polarized beams
- **Optical**
  - Optical photon interactions
- **Low-energy**
  - **Livermore library**  $\gamma$ , e- from 10 eV up to 1 GeV
  - **Livermore library based polarized processes**
  - **PENELOPE code rewrite**,  $\gamma$ , e-, e+ from 250 eV up to 1 GeV
  - hadrons and ions up to 1 GeV
  - **Microdosimetry models** (Geant4-DNA project) from 7 eV to 10 MeV
  - Atomic deexcitation
- **Adjoint**
  - New sub-library for reverse Monte Carlo simulation from the detector of interest back to source of radiation
- **Utils – general EM interfaces**

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Geant4 course - Electromagnetic 1

*Geant4 tutorial*  
*15-19 February 2010, CERN*  
*V. Ivanchenko*

## How does MC work in detector simulation?

In hadron case:

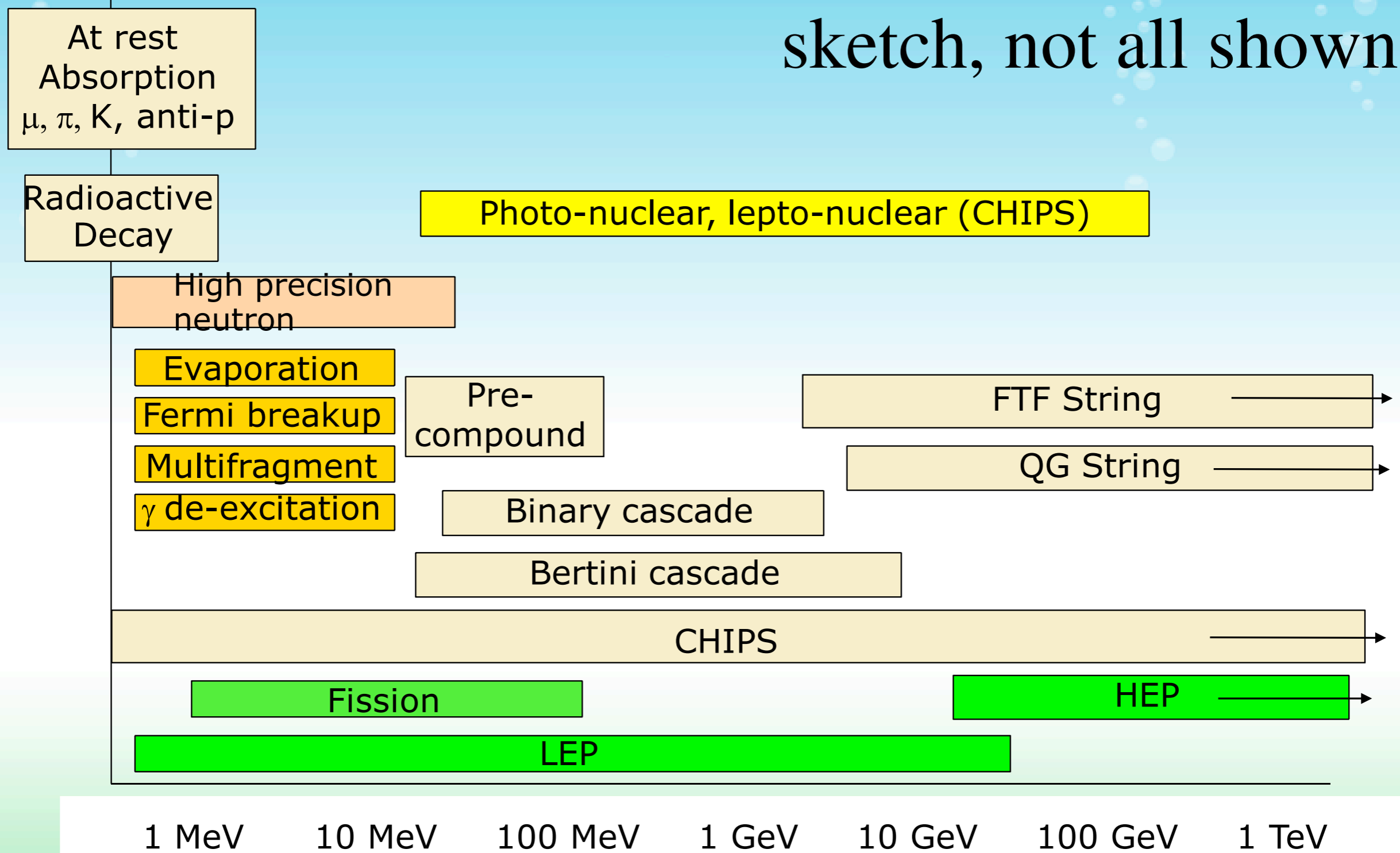
Simulate its interaction with matter, produce hadronic showers, add them to you list of particles.

Same as EM physics, we have physics packages, called physics list, to work on hadron physics.

- Data driven model
- Parametrized model
- Theory driven model

# Hadronic Process/Model Inventory

sketch, not all shown



# Be careful with MC detector

- VERY CPU intensive: Complicated detector, ton of primary particle
- Random number & Random seed!
- **No perfect physics list!** You need to choose it by yourself.
- Fast simulation can be shown, but it always needs to validate with full simulation.

# Link among MC software

You need a powerful/flexible framework to link MC software  
- Will be discussed on Tue 12 and Wed 13 by Lucia Silvestris

You need powerful computer (s) + Huge storage  
Supercomputer / Grid  
- Will be discussed on Tue 12 and Wed 13 by Dirk Duellmann

Here, I provide an easy framework based on Virtual Monte Carlo  
NEED: Someone to use  $\wedge \_ \wedge$

## Let's see more complicated examples

We will generate  $TT\bar{b}$  events and then pass it to CMS detector simulation.



## งานวิจัยทางด้านฟิสิกส์อนุภาคพลังงานสูง

ด้านการจำลองเครื่องตรวจวัดอนุภาค และเครื่องเร่งอนุภาค	ด้านทฤษฎีแบบจำลองมาตรฐาน (Standard Model)	ด้านทฤษฎีนอกเหนือจากทฤษฎีแบบจำลองมาตรฐาน (Beyond Standard Model)
<p>1.1 Study of the Zero Degree Calorimeter data on forward neutrons in CMS</p> <p>1.2 Study of missing transverse momentum in the CMS detector</p> <p>1.3 Studies for the preparation of detectors for the upgrade of CMS</p> <p>1.4 การประยุกต์ใช้เทคโนโลยีกริดเพื่อลดเวลาการประมวลผล การจำลองหลักการของระบบตรวจกับระเบิดที่ใช้เทคนิคทางนิวเคลียร์ ด้วยโปรแกรมมอนติคาร์โล</p> <p>1.5 A Simulation of Neutron Scattering in the Collimator</p> <p>1.6 A Simulation of Radiation Shielding in the Collimator</p>	<p>2.1 Excess of events with top quarks in order to search for supersymmetry in CMS</p> <p>2.2 Excess of events with multiple leptons in order to search for supersymmetry in CMS</p> <p>2.3 Excess of events with jets and missing transverse energy in order to search for supersymmetry in CMS</p> <p>2.4 SU(2) Lattice QCD in Coulomb Gauge at Finite Temperature</p> <p>2.5 การศึกษาไฮเปอร์นิวเคลียสในการชนของแอนติโปรตอน-นิวเคลียส</p> <p>2.6 Lattice QCD approach to Yang-Mills theory in Coulomb gauge at finite temperature</p> <p>2.7 การไหลรวมของการชนในไอออนหนัก โดยใช้แบบจำลอง QMD และ UrQMD</p> <p>2.8 การศึกษาเคออนิคอะตอมและพายอนิคอะตอมโดยใช้วิธีทางฟังก์ชันสเตอร์เมียน</p>	<p>3.1 Search for an excess of events with photons as a signature of GMSB SUSY models</p> <p>3.2 Search for exotica signatures using events with high charged particle multiplicities</p> <p>3.3 Search for events with one jet and Missing ET for extra dimensions and unparticles</p> <p>3.4 Search for events with a photon and Missing ET for extra dimensions and unparticles</p>

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