SGV – a fast detector simulation

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The Simulation a Grande Vitesse is:

- Simple First events generated minutes after down–load
- General Easy to change detector configuration
- Documented UG and Reference manual on the Web (500+ pages in printed version)
- Much used for existing experiment DELPHI
- Tested Billions of events produced without problems within the DELPHI SUSY searches.
- Fault tolerant Error–trapping and re–start
- Portable to VMS, HP–UX, AIX, Digital UNIX, Linux,...
- Complete: Tracking with full error matrix, calorimetry with shower merging, particle identification, impact parameters,...
- Compares well with real data

And...

- FAST 240 ee –> stau stau events/s at LEP200 or 20 ee–>stop stop events/s at the LC (TESLA at 500 GeV) on an Alpha.
- Fully implemented for TESLA used for physics studies.



How does it work?

SGV is a machine to calculate covariance matrices

Tracking:

Follow track-helix through the detector, to find what layers are hit by the particle.



• From this, calculate covariance

- matrix at perigee, including
 effects of material,
 measurement errors and
 extrapolation.
- Smear perigee parameters accordingly, with Choleski decomposition (takes all correlations into account)
- Information on hit-pattern accessible to analysis.
 Coordinates of hits accessible.

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Calorimeters:

- Follow particle to intersection with calorimeters
- Decide how the detectors will act: MIP, EM-shower, hadronic shower, below threshold, etc.
- Simulate response from parameters.
- Merge close showers
- Easy to plug in other (more sophisticated) shower-simulation

Other stuff:

- EM-interactions in detector material simulated
- Plug-ins for particle identification, track-finding efficiencies,...
- Scintilators and Taggers

Some words on how to use **SGV**

- Generators: Interfaces to PYTHIA, JETSET and SUSYGEN included. Interface to PYTHIA 6 (double precission version) recently added. Easy to interface to others (but depends on how wellstructured the generator is...).
- Detector geometry: Given as planes and cylinders, with attributes attached (measurement, material, names,...). Read from a human-readable ASCII-file (ex). Simple visualisation of the detector included. Up to three detectors can be loaded simultaneously, and will be looped over event by event.

Detector example: TESLA TDR



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A bit closer ...



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- User data : Delivered in COMMON blocks as extended 4-vectors, track parameters with correlations, calorimetric clusters . When relevant, true values also given. Auxiliary information on particle history, detector-elements used etc.Global variables also given.
- Analysis tasks : Information on jets, event-shapes, secondary vertecies, impact parameters and b-tagging filled by calls to routines, included in SGV. Access routines give an easy interface to the detector geometry.

General structure of SGV

- SGV is made of six loosely connected parts:
- --- The Steering, which takes care of initialisation and ending, and runs the event loop.
- In the event loop,
 - --- The Event Generator
 - --- The Detector Simulation
 - --- The Event Dispatcher
 - is called.
- --- The Detector Simulation calls
 - --- The Covariance Matrix Machine

SGV compared to data: Global variables

Histogram: SGV, Points: DELPHI data



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SGV compared to data: track variables

Histogram: SGV, Points: DELPHI data



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SGV for detector studies: the **TESLA SET**

• How would the momentum resolution change if one adds an Silicon External Tracker outside the TPC? How many layers should one put? How should they be distributed?



Ask SGV !

Black is TDR, the other curves are 9 different SET options.

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SGV: White paper

- Language: FORTRAN77
- Code management: PATCHY
- Depends on CERNLIB
- Distributed as: Single compressed file (Gzip)
- Installation procedure: Self-installing on UN*X and VMS
- Size: Distribution-file 230 kB. Expanded and installed, 2.9 MB is needed (including documentation, 1.1 MB). The PATCHY pam-file contains 35 000 lines.

- Documentation: Users Guide and Reference Manual included in distribution—file, in the form of LaTeX. The installation procedure creates the corresponding PostScript files, if requested. The source is latex2htmlable.
- Manifestly runs on: Linux, HP/UX, True64 (Digital UNIX), VMS, with native compilers (=g77 in the case of Linux).
- Timing: 114 ms/PYTHIA qq event on a Compaq 1655 notebook (266 MHz I686). About 1 000 times faster than the DELPHI full simulation for the same channel.

Getting hold of SGV

Down-load from

http://home.cern.ch/berggren/sgv.html

or use the pre-installed version in the cern.ch afs-cell (HP-UX, DigitalUnix, Aix and Linux) by executing

/afs/cern.ch/delphi/tasks/sgv/share/pam/sgvenv.sh

Summary

- SGV is about three orders of magnitude faster than a typicall full simulation.
- Both in comparison with real data and full simulation, SGV results typically differs by less than 10%.
- Many analyses at LEP have used SGV.
- Many people contribute with suggestions, fixes, new features.
- A road—map to move to a modern, OO system is in place, aiming at realeasing SGV++ before the end of the year.