

Geant4 Documentation and User Support

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Geant4 Tutorial

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What's Available ?

- Toolkit Documentation Manuals
- Training Materials
- Code Browsers
- Online User Forum
- Problem Reporting System
- Geant4-related Web Sites

What's New ?

- **New web page!**
 - transition from old to new happening now
 - expanded, more modern, cleaner design
 - new area for applications (medical, space, HEP)
 - new area for validation and results
- **Process/Model catalog**
 - will list available physics processes, models and how they should be used

User Documents (1)

- Geant4 homepage: <http://cern.ch/geant4> click on **Documentation**
- All documents available in html, pdf, ps and ps.gz
- **Introduction to Geant4**
 - overview of Geant4
 - link to FAQ
- **Installation Guide**
 - where to get code
 - how to set up the toolkit on your computer

User Documents (2)

- **Application Developers Guide**
 - How to set up and run a simulation application
 - Describes the most useful tools
 - Introduces new users to toolkit
- **Physics Reference Manual**
 - Reference describing physics behind the tools
 - Theories, models, parameterizations

User Documents (3)

- **Toolkit Developers Guide**
 - Description of OO design of toolkit
 - For advanced users wanting to extend Geant4 functionality
 - Currently being upgraded (but still available)
- **Software Reference Manual**
 - Detailed description of all toolkit classes and their public methods
 - Currently only html version available

Training Materials

- Click **Support**, then **Training Material**
- One-day course
 - Introduction and overview of Geant4
- Tutorial or school course
 - Exercises: Geant4 & JAS
 - Detector Description School Course
- Academic course
 - Lectures on Geant4 Physics
- Lectures from Users' Workshops

Code Browsers

- LXR : click **Support**, then **LXR Source Code Browser**
 - Search entire source tree
 - Filename, text, identifier search
- Alternate source tree browser : from main page (under Useful information for users), click **Source code**, then at the bottom click on **browse**

Online User Forum

- Click on **User Forum**, top of Geant4 homepage
- 20 forums roughly based on categories
- New forums may be requested by members
- To join, click **membership** on Forum main page
- Once joined, go to **Central HyperNews Subscription Page** and select forums

Problem Reporting

- Click on **Problem Reporting**, bottom of Geant4 homepage
- **Known problems**
 - Before reporting a problem, check here first and search
 - Existing problems organized by release, category, status, platform, etc.
- **Problem Report**
 - Need a password to file report
 - Fill out form

Geant4-related Websites

(bottom of main page)

- BaBar
- DESIRE
- ESA
- GUI and Environments
- IN2P3
- INFN
- Japan Users Group
- KEK
- Kyoto Ritsumeikan U.
- QinetiQ Space
Department
- SLAC
- Space Users Page
- Technology Transfer
- TRIUMF