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# Overview of validations at LHC

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# Physics Validation

- First cycle of **electromagnetic physics validation** completed at the **percent level**. We will focus here only on the (most difficult!) **hadronic physics validation**.
- As for the choice of the Geant4 Physics List, the validation should be targeted to each considered **application domain**: e.g. for high-energy physics one should consider **different observables** than, for instance, medical physics, or space science, or background radiation applications.
- The criteria to consider a simulation “good” or “bad” should be based on the particular application: e.g., for LHC experiments, the main requirement is that the **dominant systematic uncertainties for all physics analyses should not be due to the imperfect simulation**.

# Validation setups

Two main types of test-beam setups:

1. **Calorimeters:** the typical test-beams (made mainly for detector purposes).

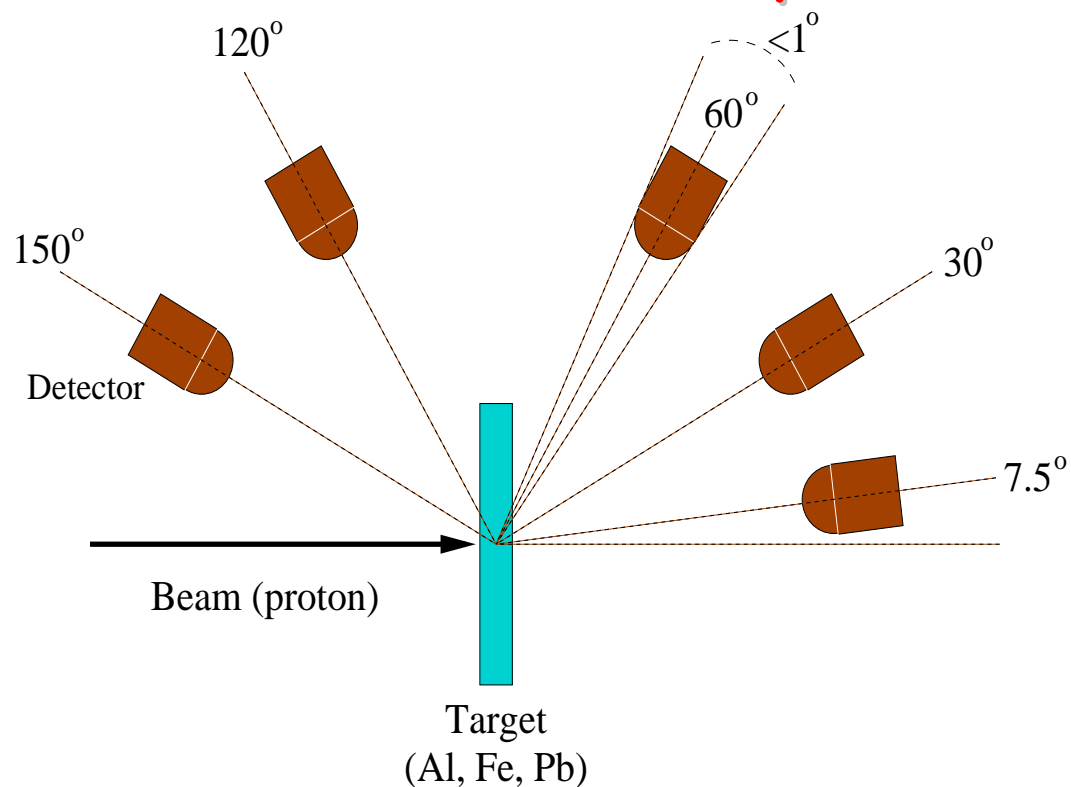
The observables are the convolution of many effects and interactions. In other words, one gets a **macroscopic** test.

2. **Simple benchmarks:** typical thin-target setups with simple geometry (made, very often, for validation purposes).

It is possible to test at **microscopic** level a single interaction or effect.

→ These two kinds of setups provide **complementary** information.

# Double-differential neutron production (p,xn)

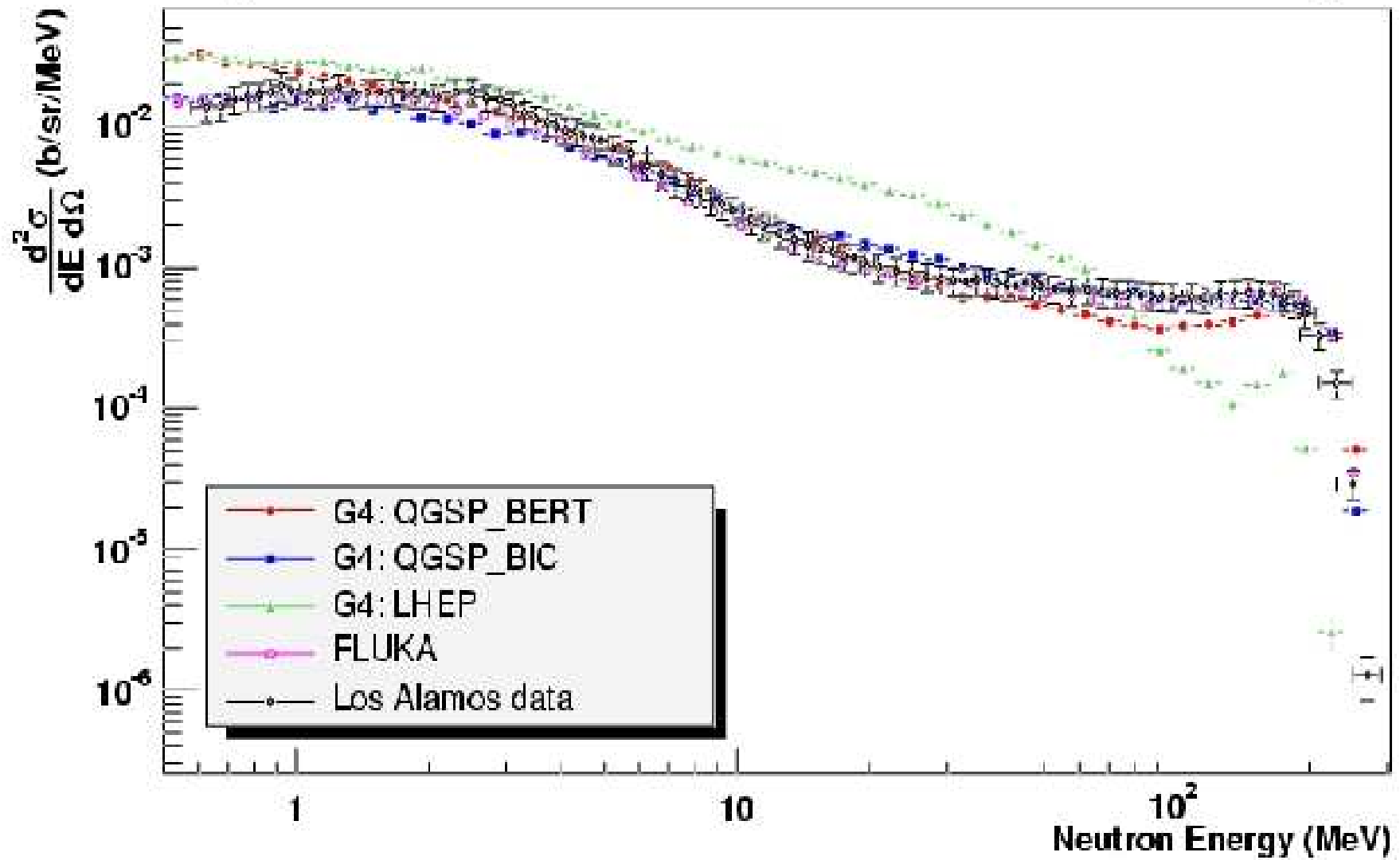


Proton beam energies: 113, 256, 597, 800 MeV

Neutron detectors (TOF, scintillators) at 5 angles

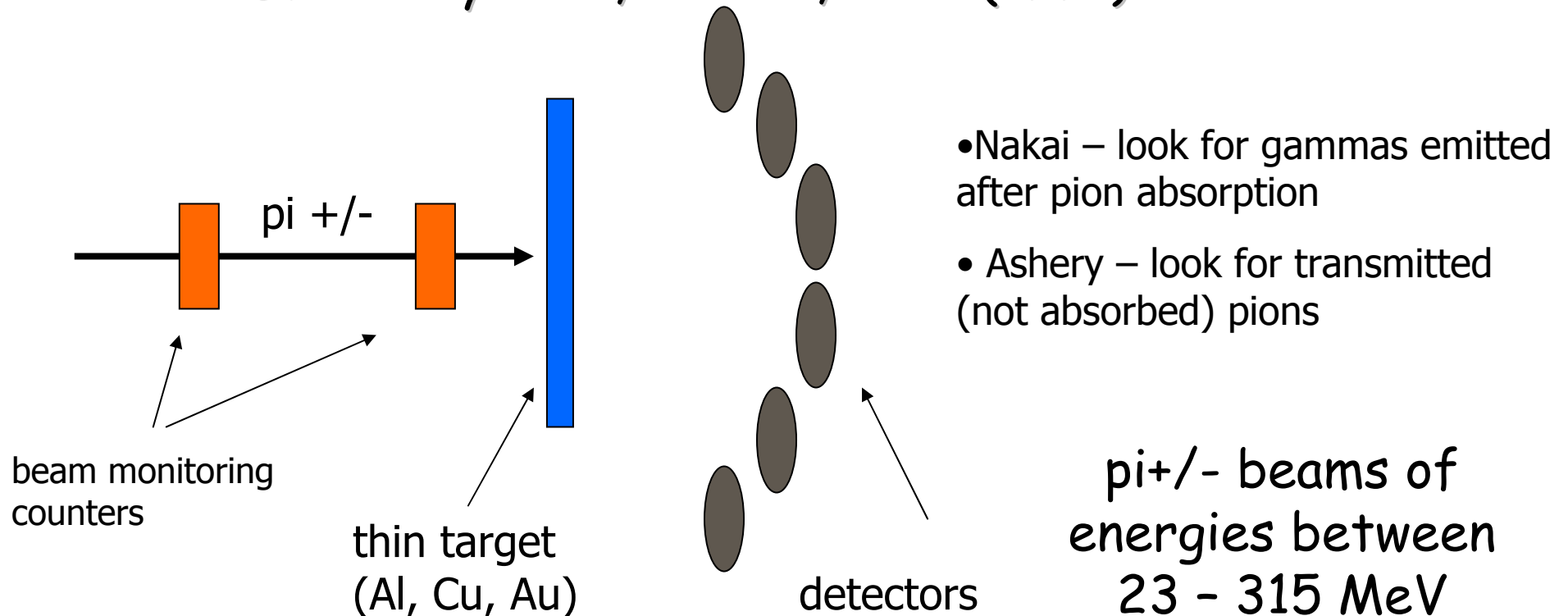
Study of the neutron production spectrum (kinetic energy) at fixed angles.

### Fe(p,xn) Production Cross Section at 256MeV, 30deg



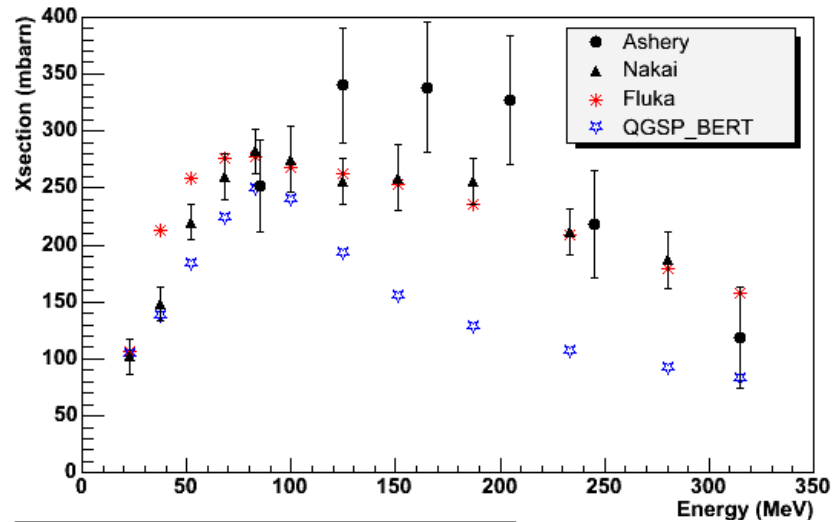
# Pion absorption - experiments

- K. Nakai et al., PRL 44, 1446 (1980)
- D. Ashery et al, PR C23, 2173 (1991)

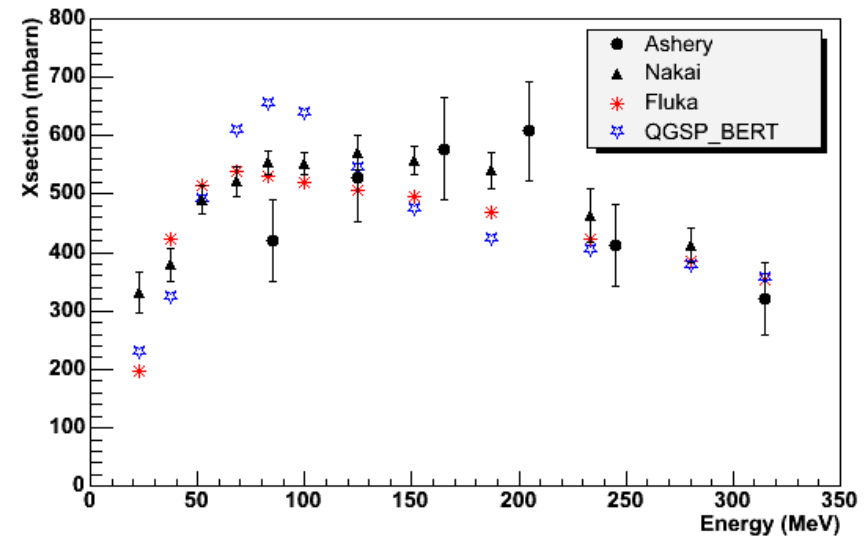


# Absorption Xsection for pi+

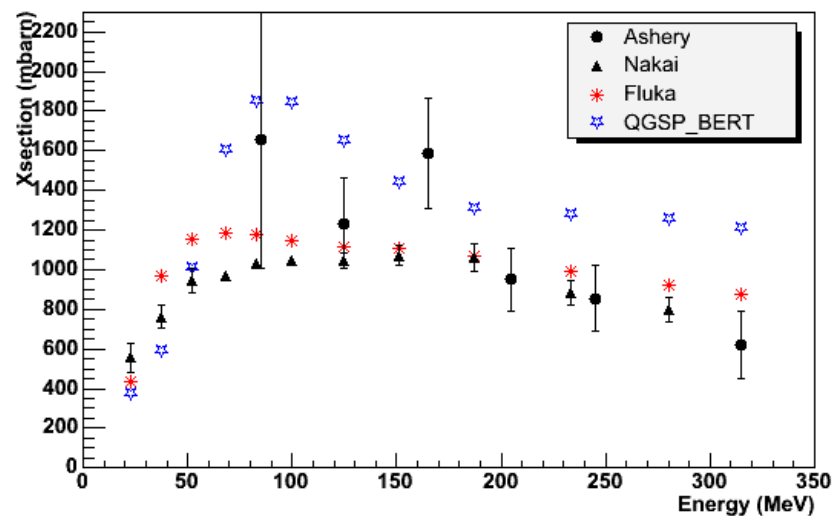
Absorption cross section for pi+ on Al



Absorption cross section for pi+ on Cu



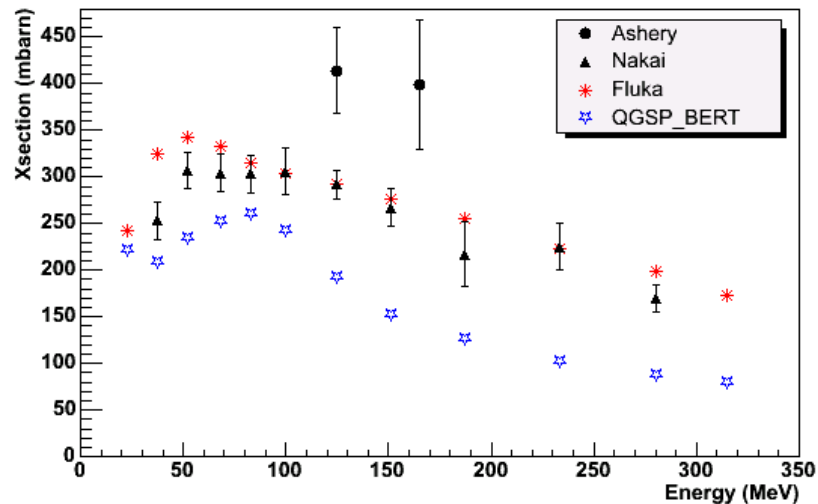
Absorption cross section for pi+ on Au



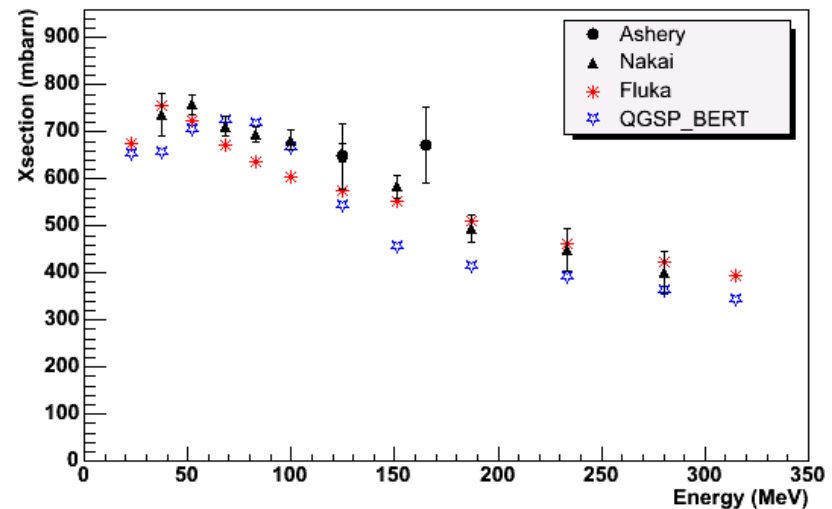
- both G4 and Fluka show reasonable agreement
- in some cases Fluka seems to be a bit better
- difficult to make more conclusions because of big uncertainties in the experimental data

# Absorption Xsection for pi-

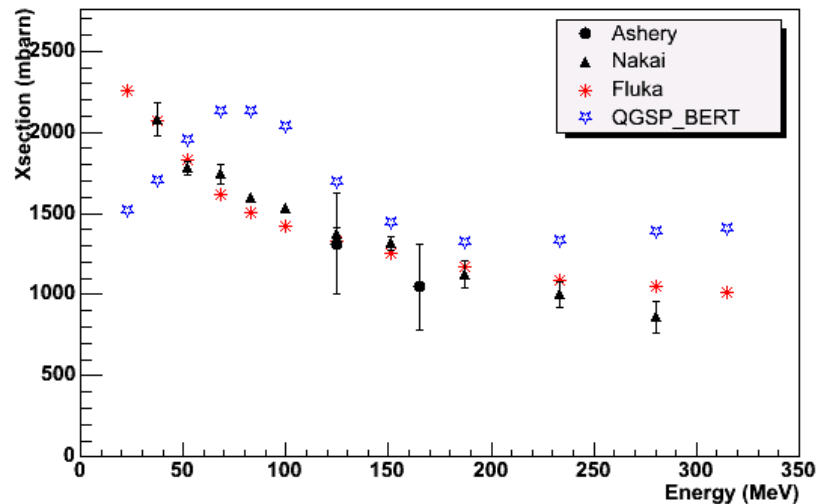
Absorption cross section for pi- on Al



Absorption cross section for pi- on Cu



Absorption cross section for pi- on Au

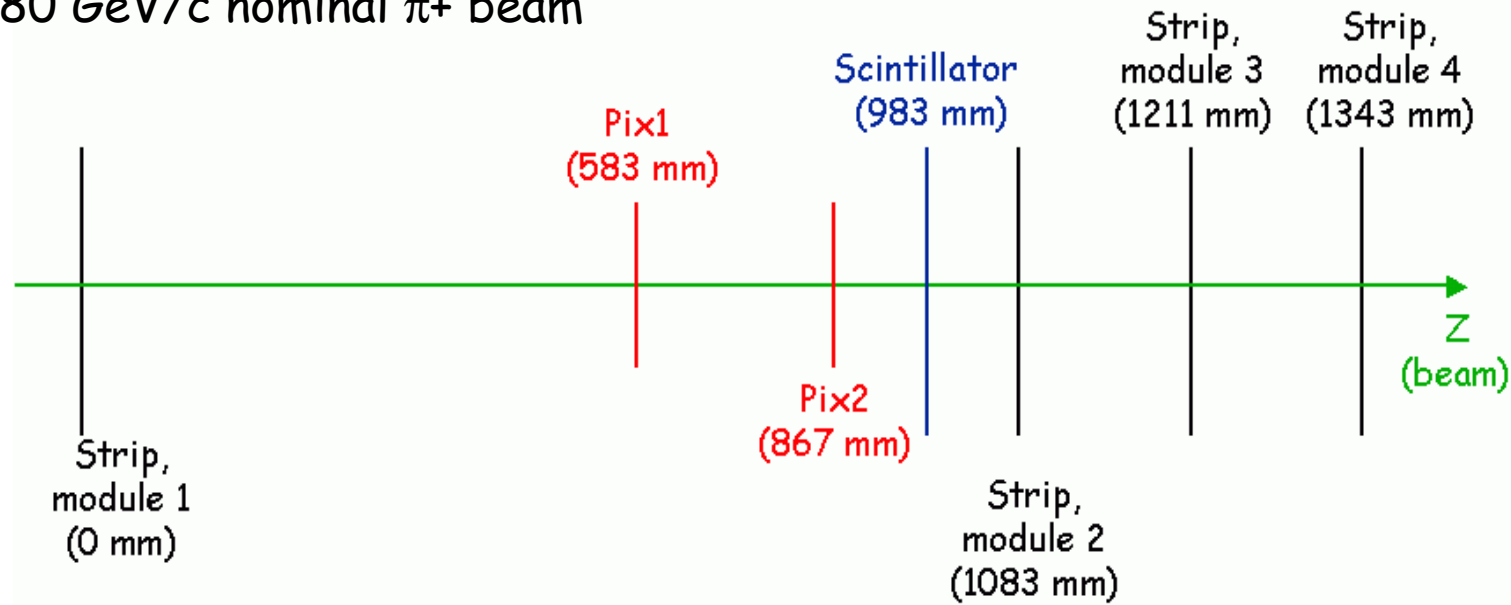


- same remarks as for pi+
- for heavy material (Au) the shape of the QGSP\_BERT quite different
- G4: best agreement for 'medium-weight' materials



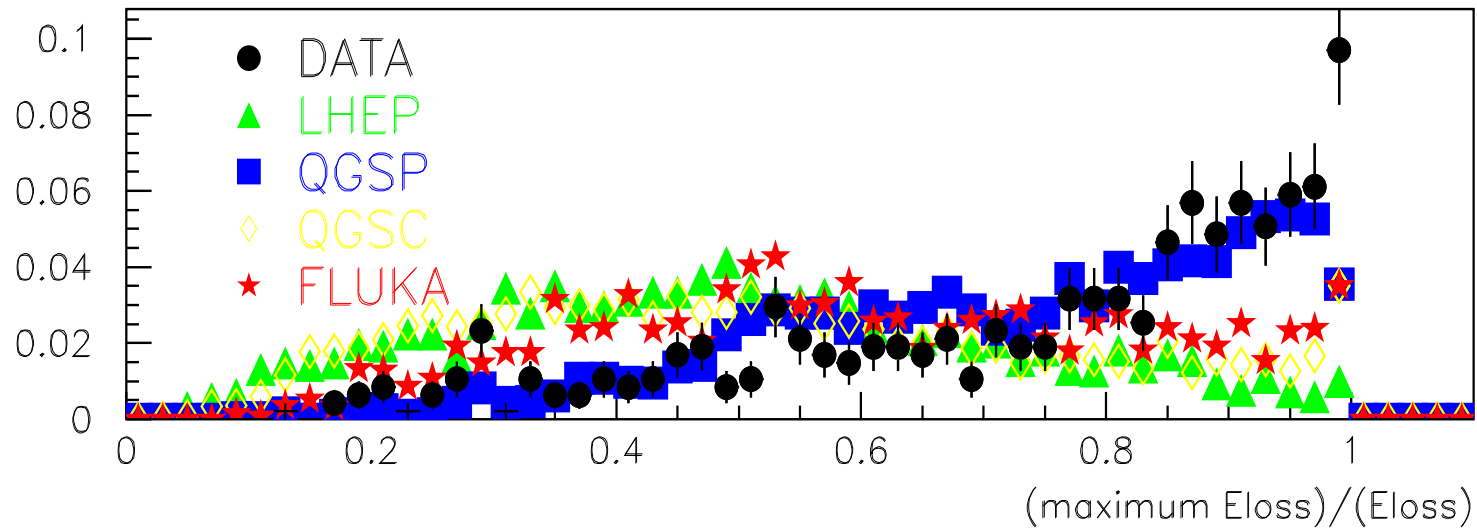
# Hadronic interactions in ATLAS pixel test-beam

180 GeV/c nominal  $\pi^+$  beam

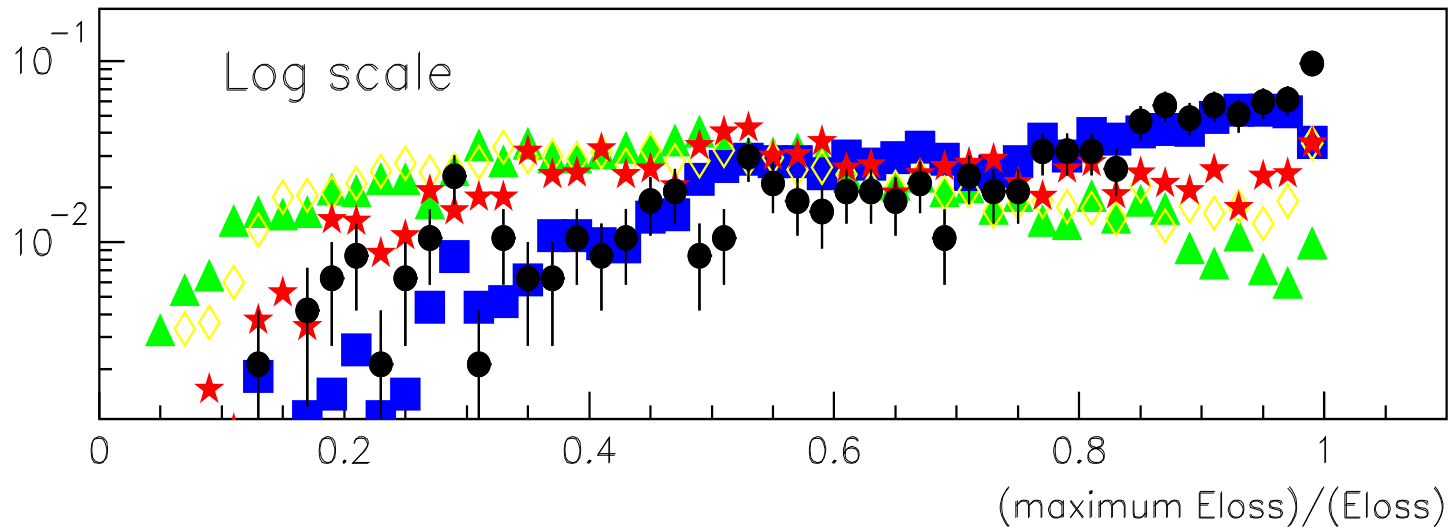


Geant4 Geometry. Use the same Geometry also with Fluka, using **FLUGG** (interface between the Transportation and Physics of Fluka and Geant4 Navigation of the Geometry).

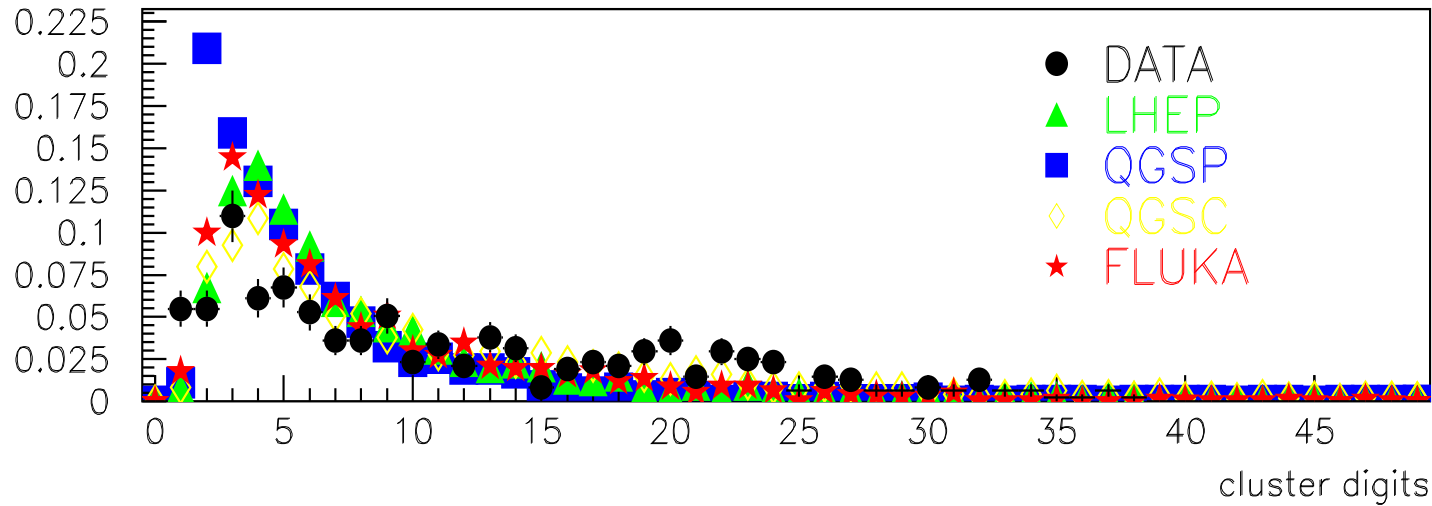
# Ratio max Eloss / total Eloss



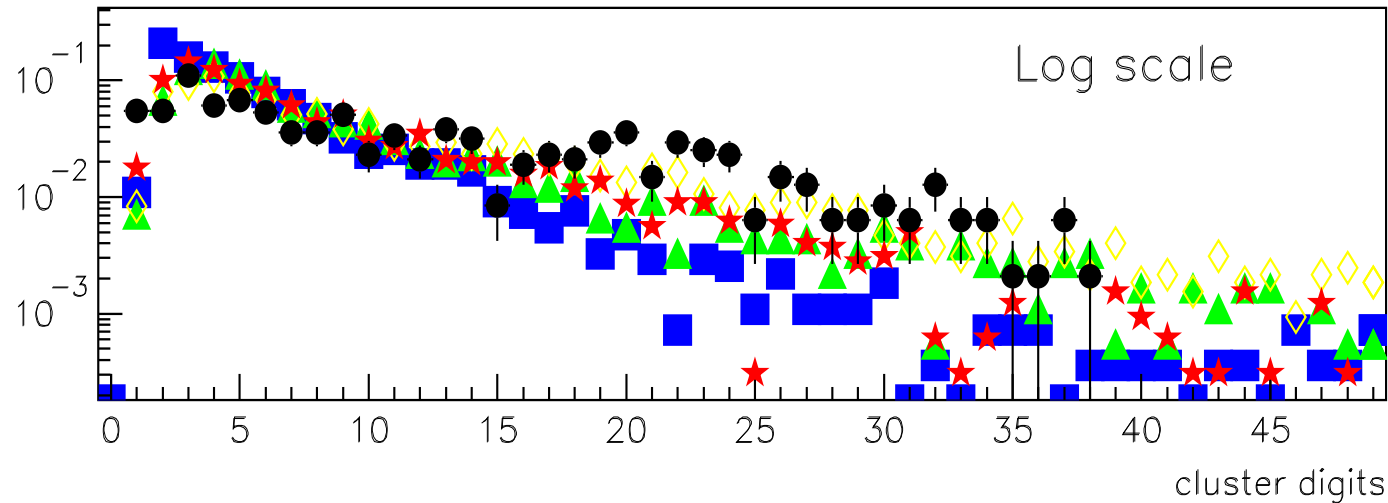
QGSP is in excellent agreement with data.



# Cluster size



QGSP produces too narrow clusters. FLUKA, LHEP and QGSC are in good agreement with data.



In conclusion, FLUKA, Geant4 are in reasonable good agreement with the data, but some observables can be improved.

# Pion production at 100 GeV/c

- J.J. Whitmore et al. Z. Phys. C 62 (1994), 199.

Inclusive pion<sup>+</sup>/pion<sup>-</sup> production in hadron-nucleus  
Interactions at 100 GeV/c .

Beam particles:  $\pi^{+/-}$  ,  $K^{+/-}$  , p, pbar

Target: thin foils of Mg, Ag, Au

Observables:  $y_{lab}$  , laboratory rapidity distributions;  
 $p_T^2$  , transverse momentum square dist.

Work in progress.

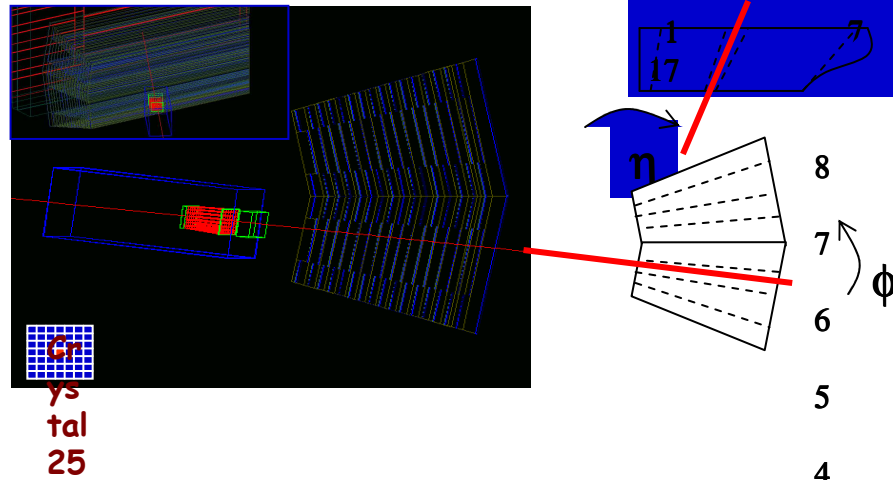
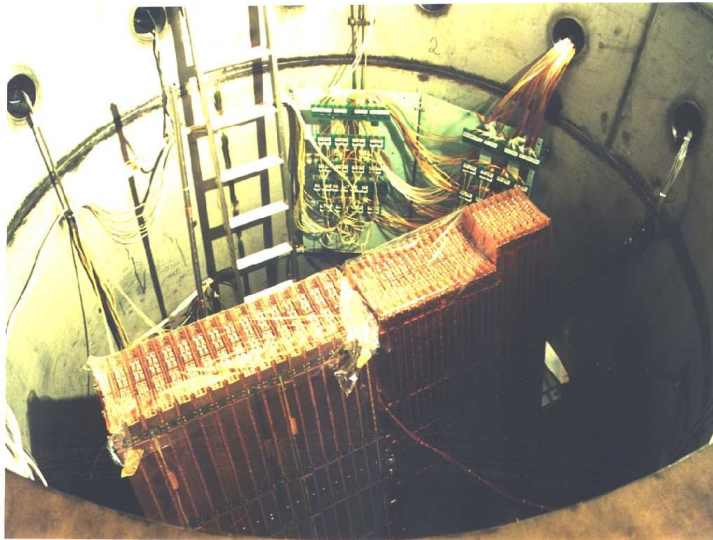
Future: extend to different beam energies, target  
materials, and observables.

# LHC hadronic calorimeter test-beams (before 2004)

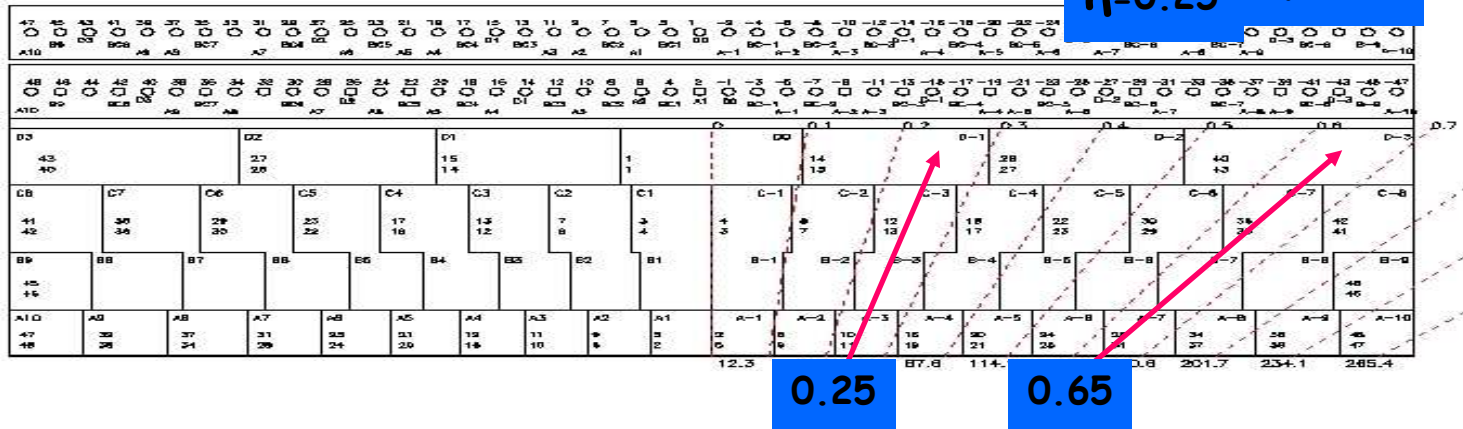
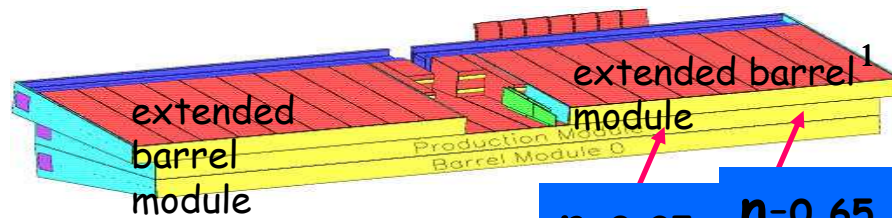
- **AILAS:**
  - **HEC** : copper + LAr  
HEC1 + HEC2, 4 longitudinal compartments  
6-150 GeV for electrons;  
10-200 GeV for charged pions;  
120, 150, 180 GeV for muons.
  - **Tilecal** : iron + scintillator tile  
2 extended barrel + 1 barrel + barrel 0 modules  
20-180 GeV electrons and charged pions;  
1, 2, 3, 5, 9 GeV charged pions.
- **CMS:**
  - **combined ECAL + HCAL** :  
ECAL : prototype of 7 x 7 PbWO<sub>4</sub> crystals  
HCAL : copper + scintillator tile  
each tile is read out independently  
Max magnetic field of 3 T  
10-300 GeV muons, electrons, and hadrons.

# Calorimeter test-beams CMS HCAL & ECAL

## ATLAS HEC

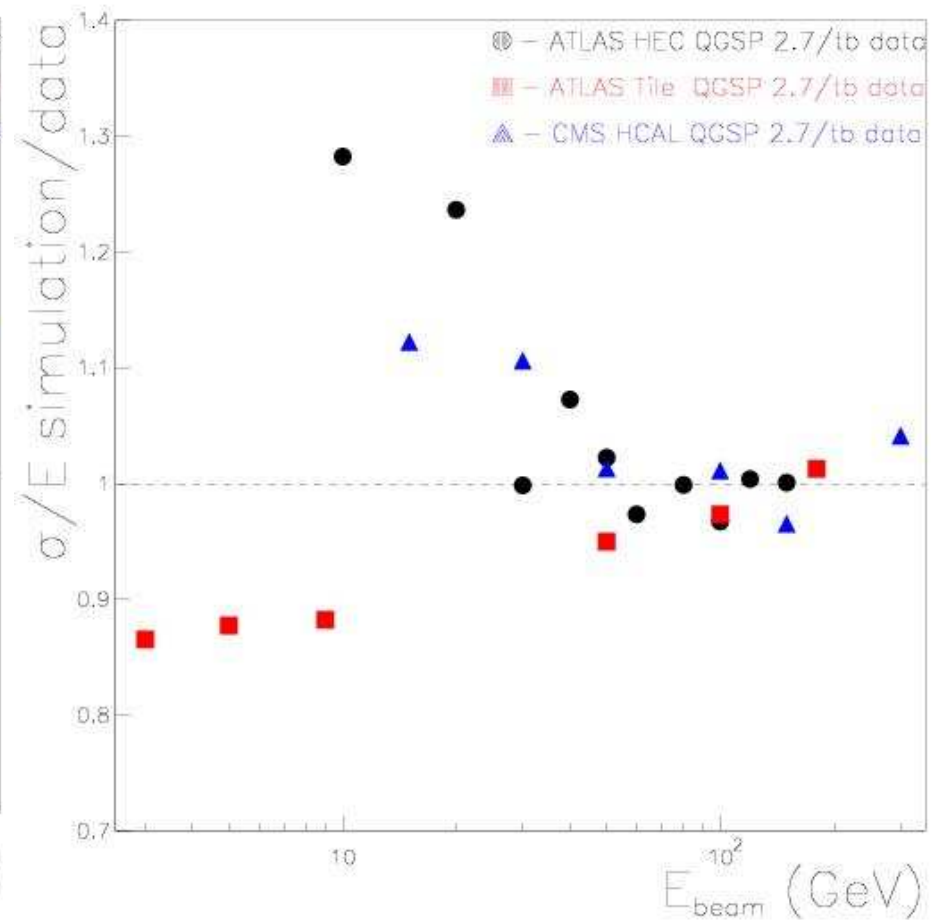
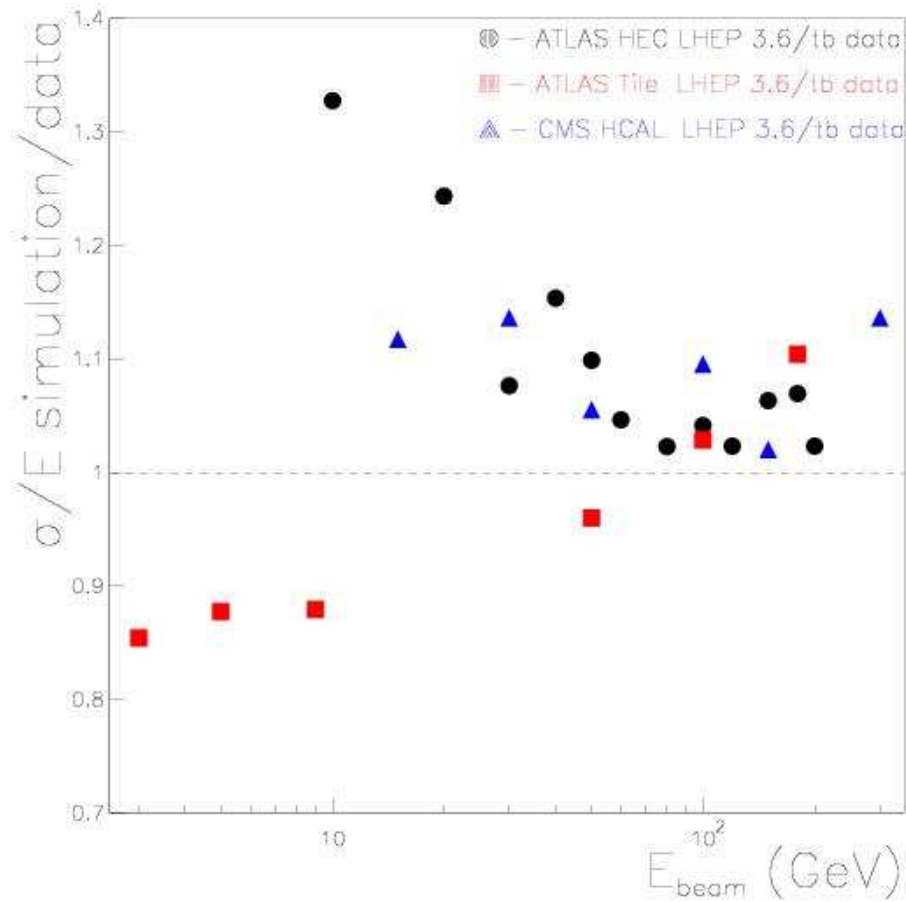


## ATLAS TileCal



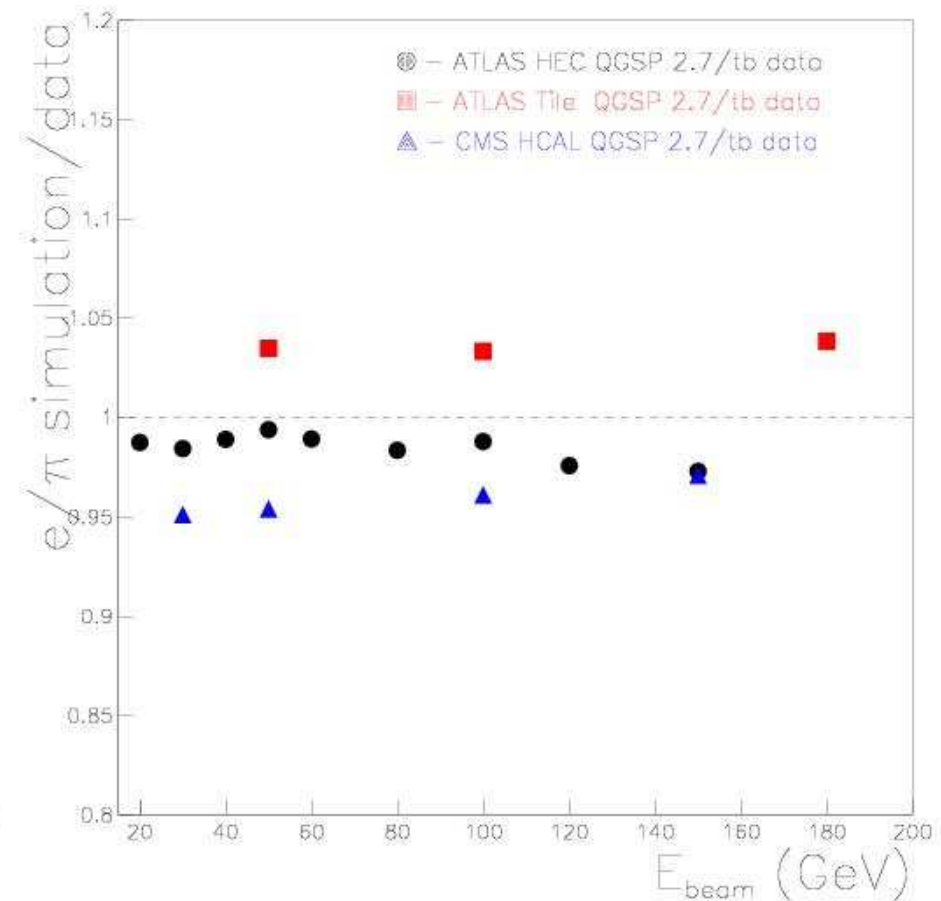
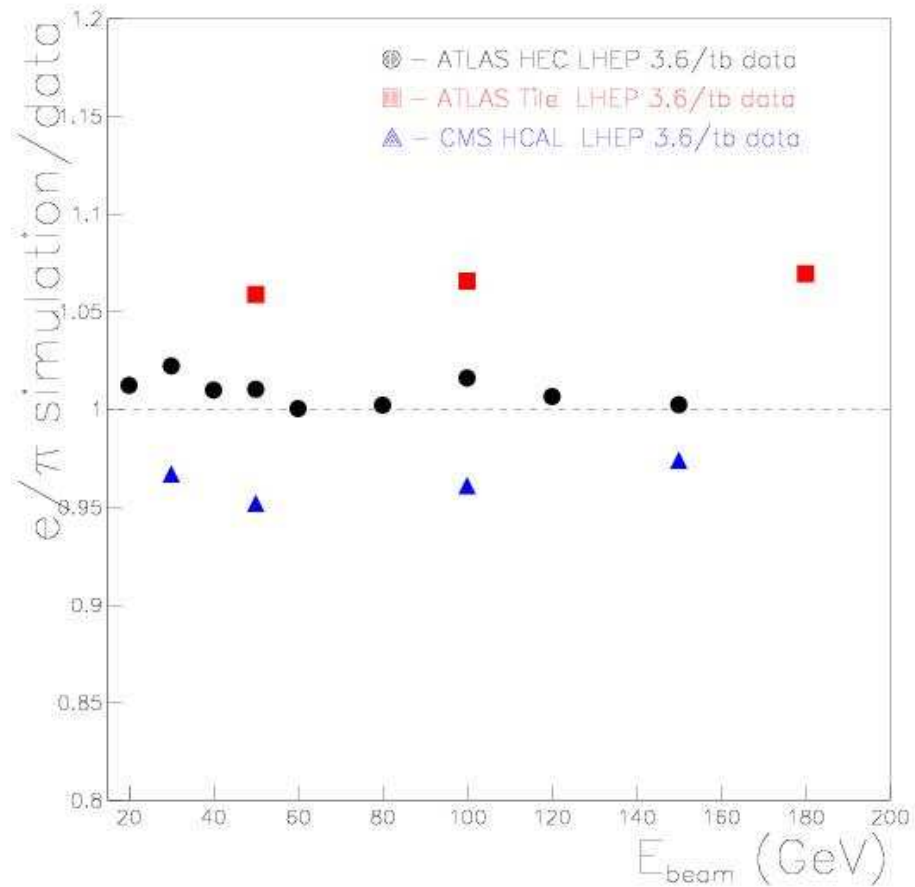
## energy resolution of pions

$$\left(\frac{\sigma}{\langle E \rangle}\right)_{simulation} / \left(\frac{\sigma}{\langle E \rangle}\right)_{test-beam}$$



## $e/\pi$ ratio

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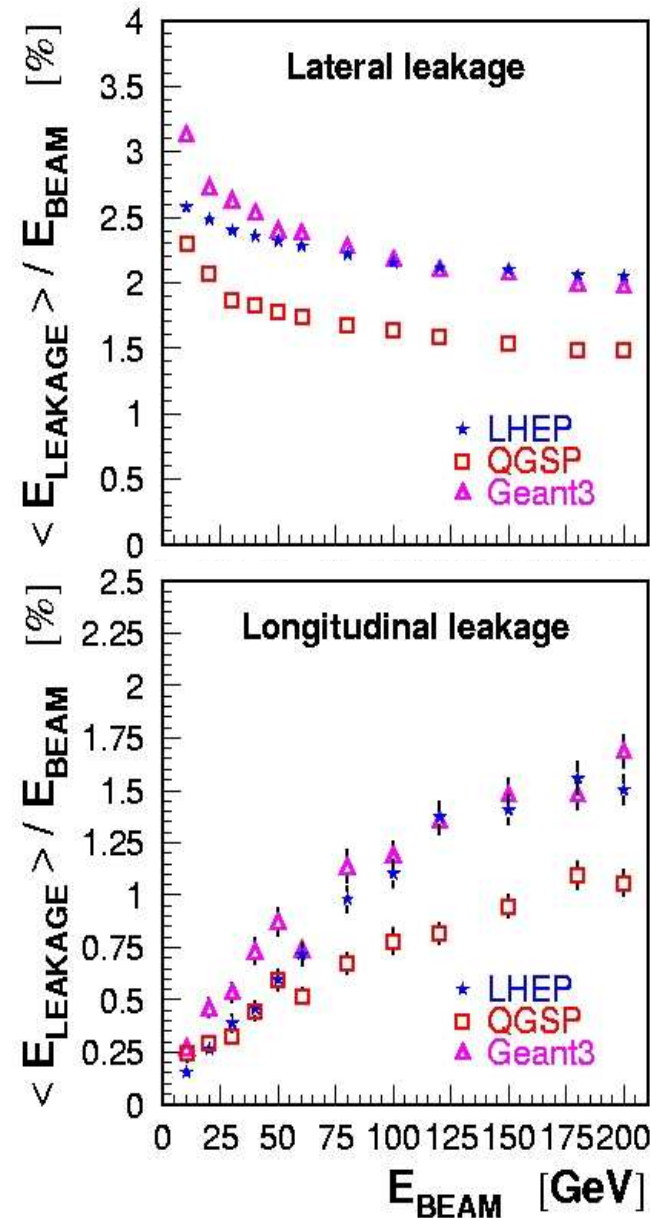
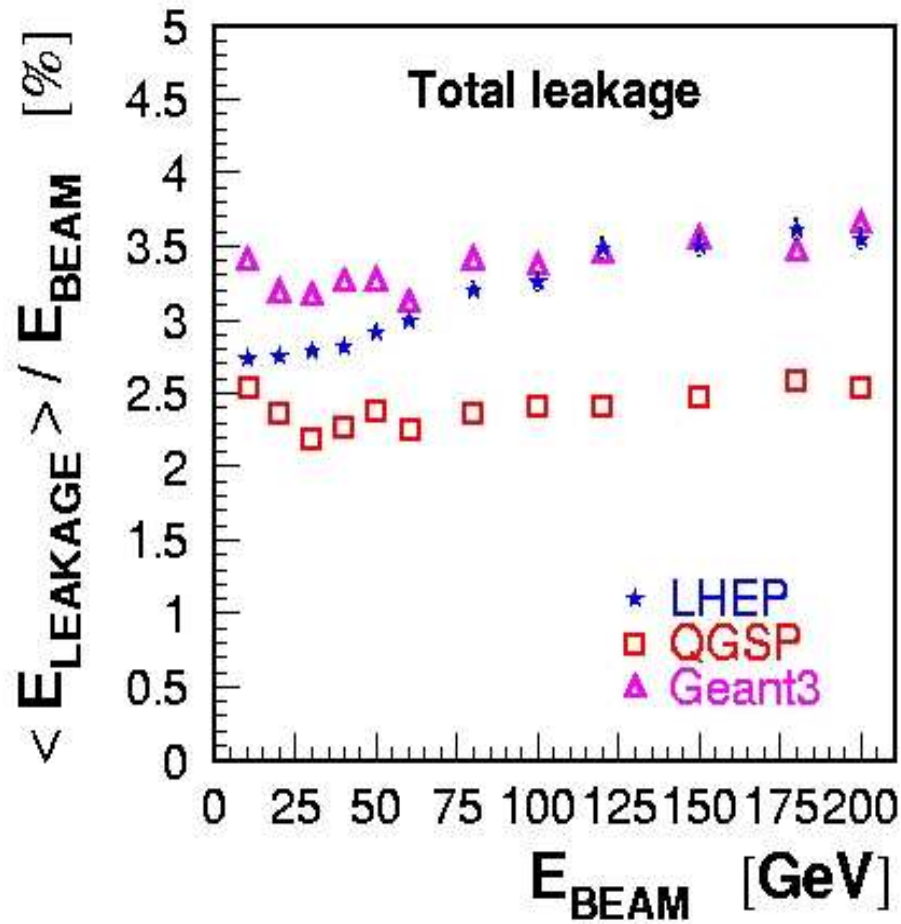






# ATLAS HEC: leakage

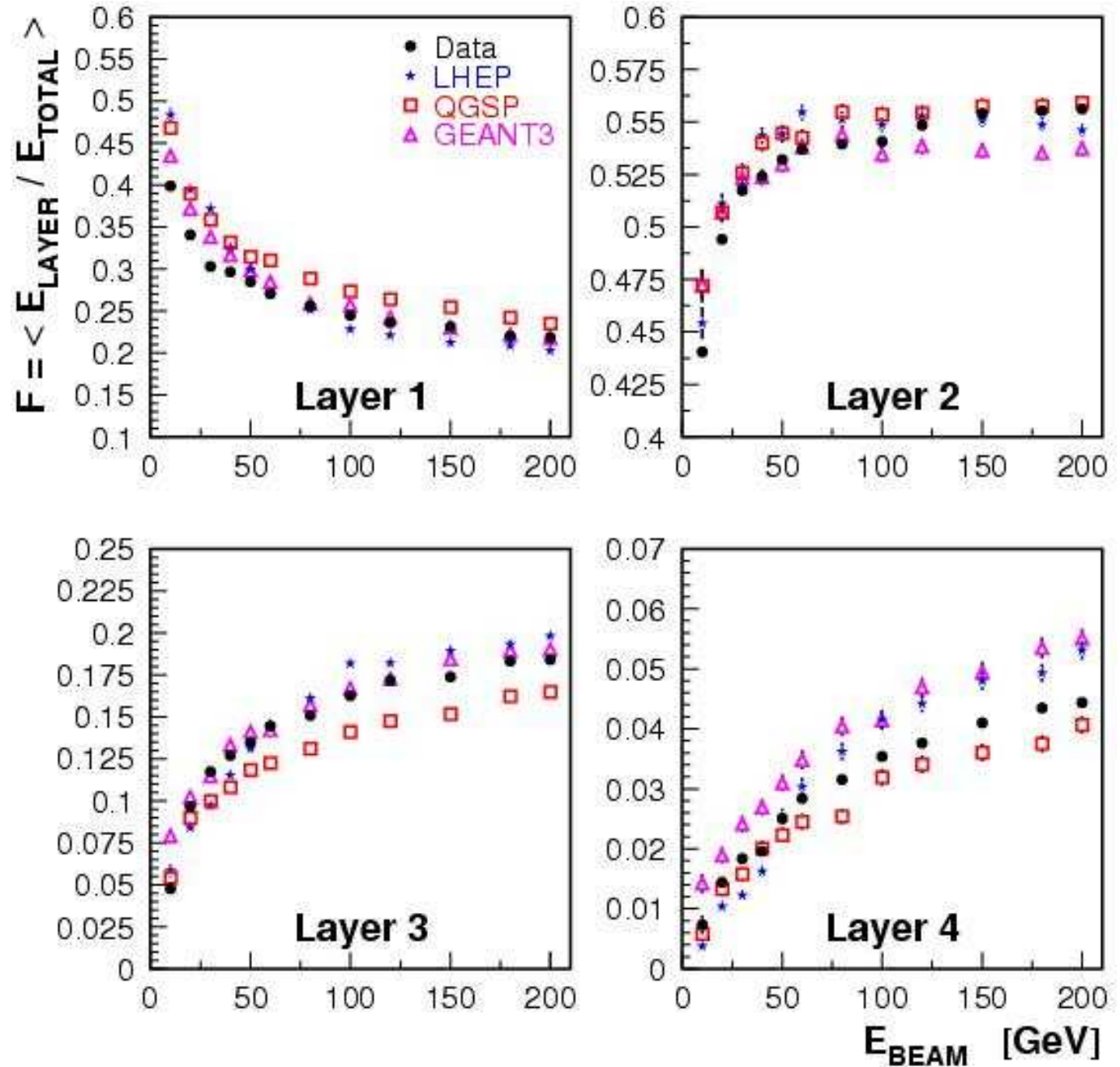
G4  
5.2p02





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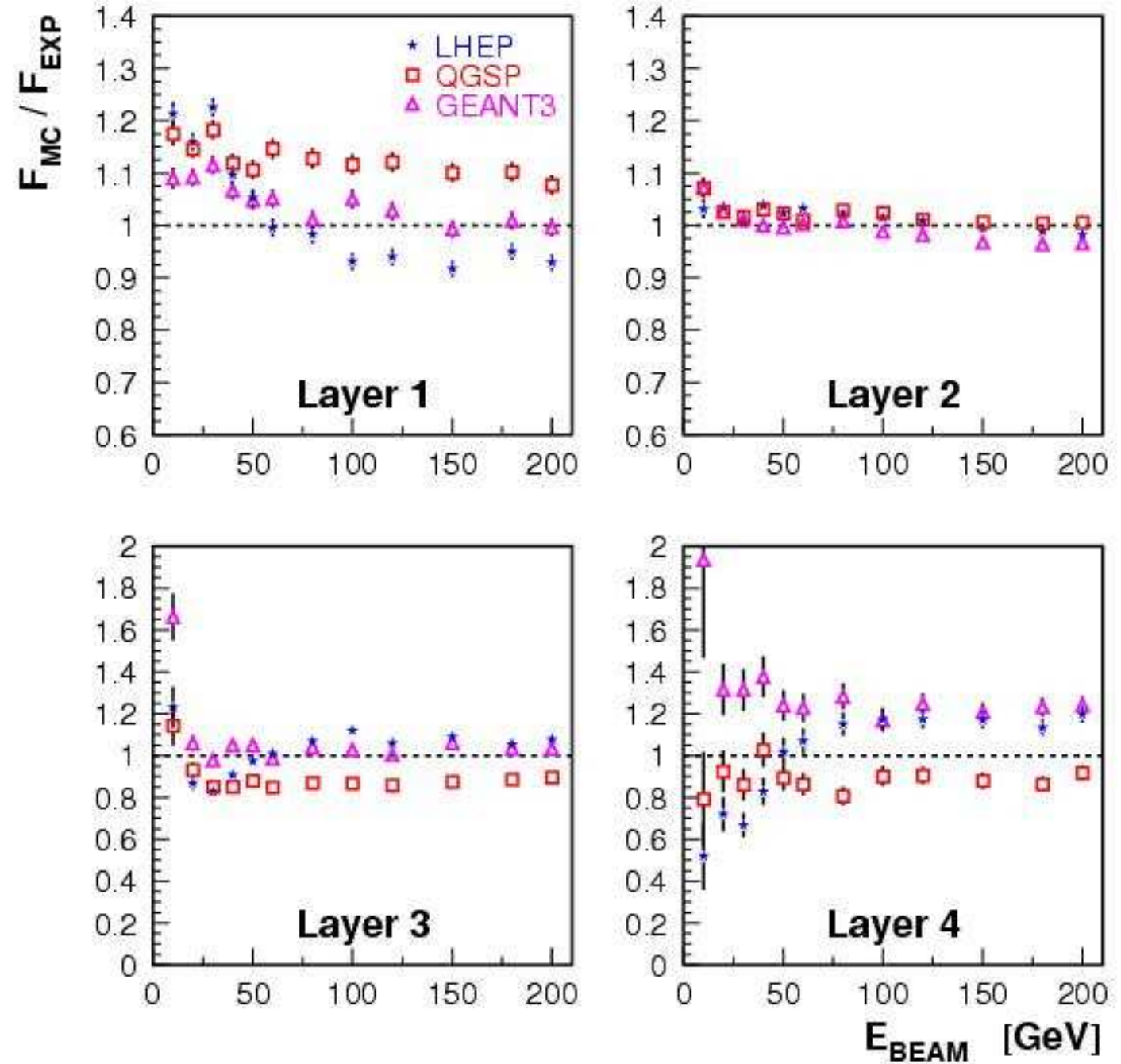
## G4 5.2p02





ATLAS HEC:

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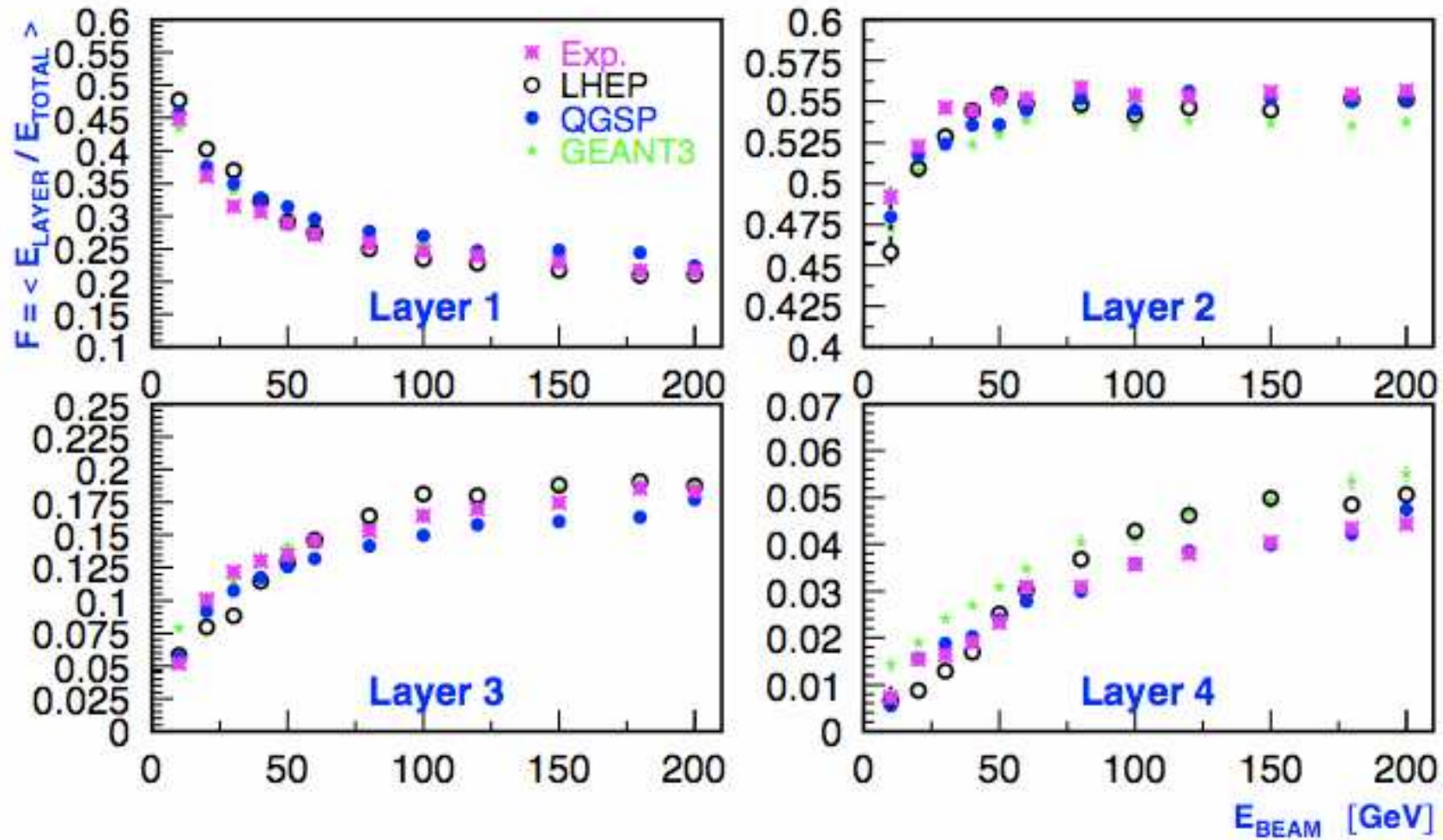




ATLAS HEC:

G4 7.0p01

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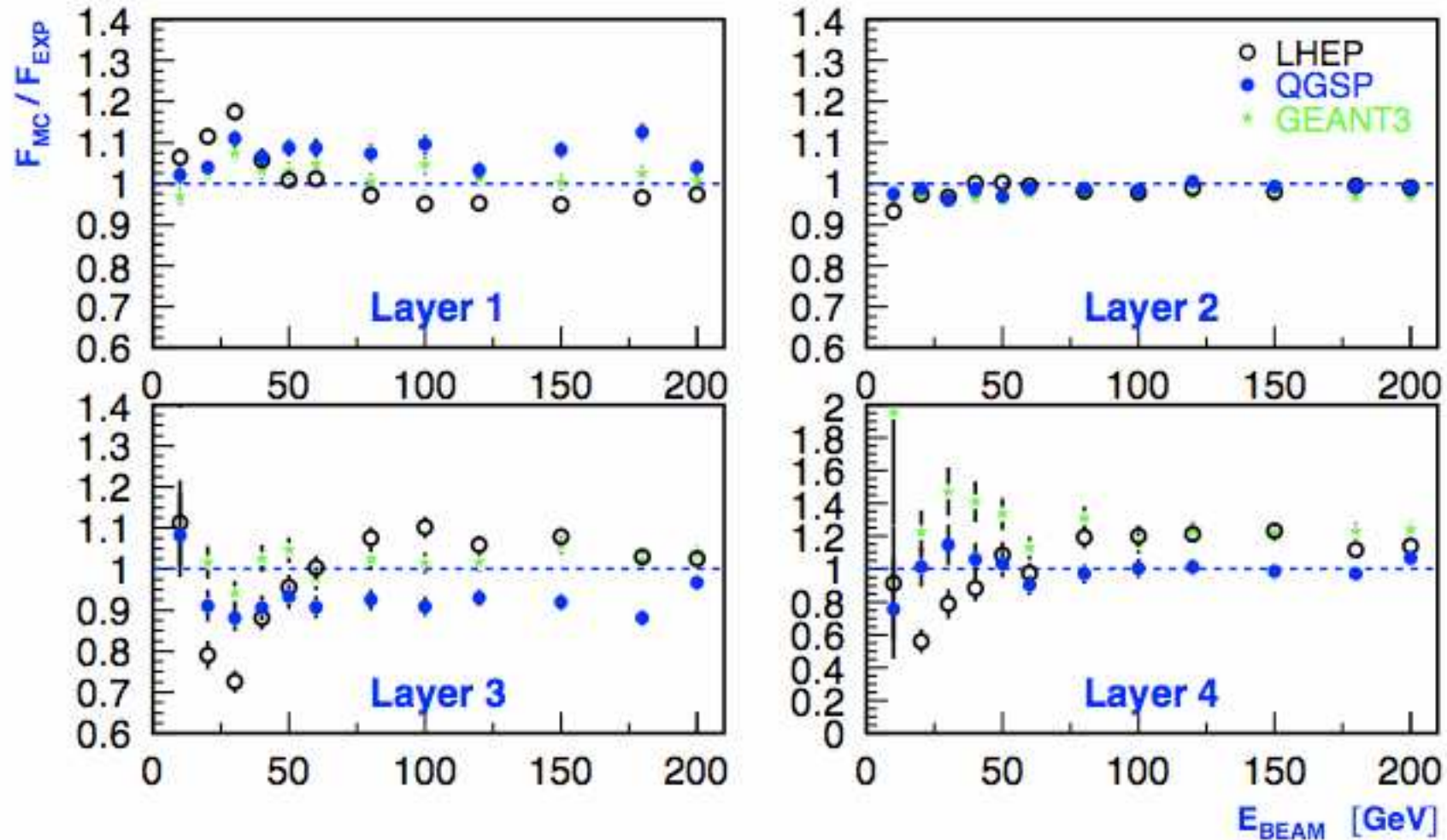




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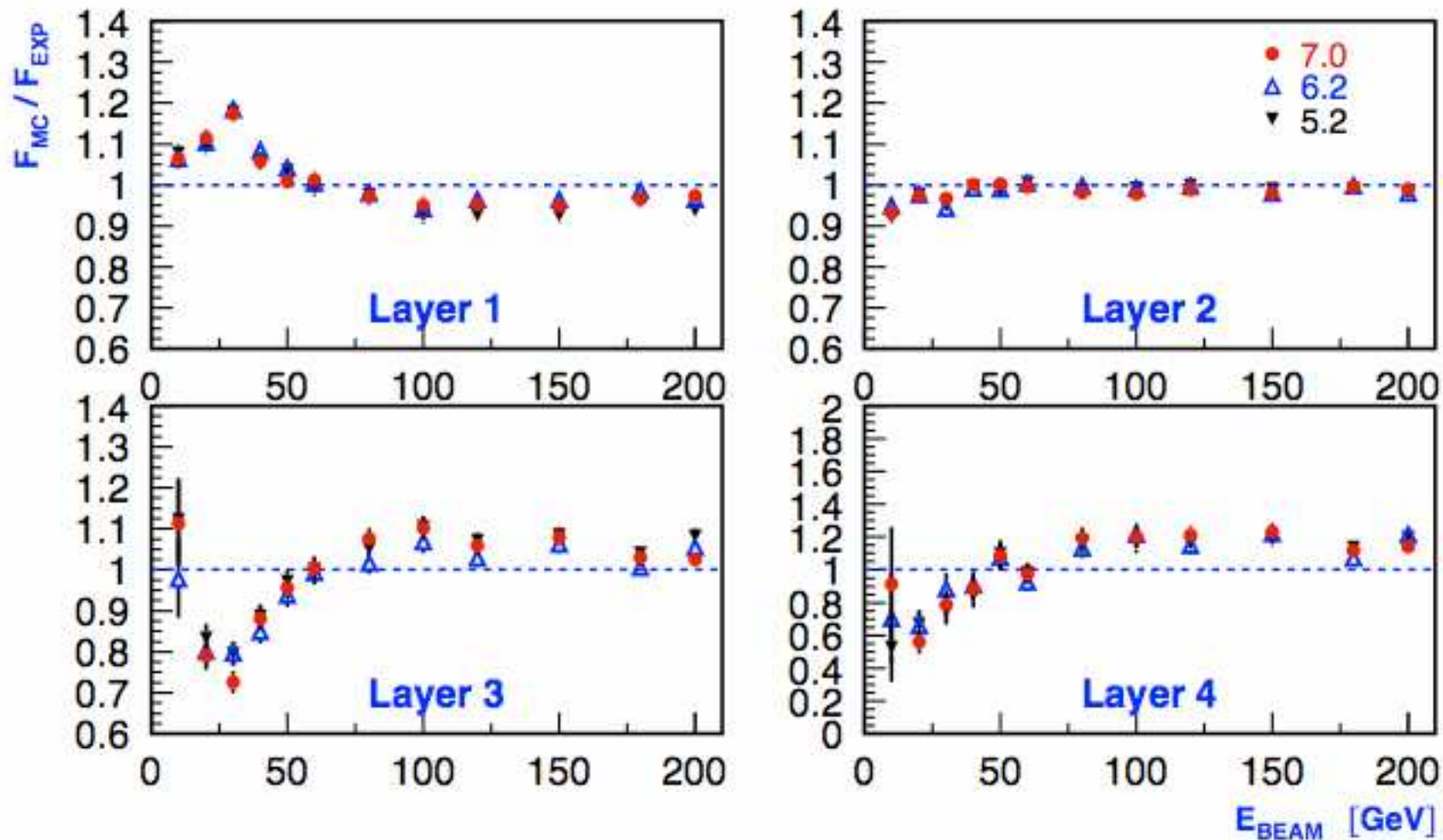




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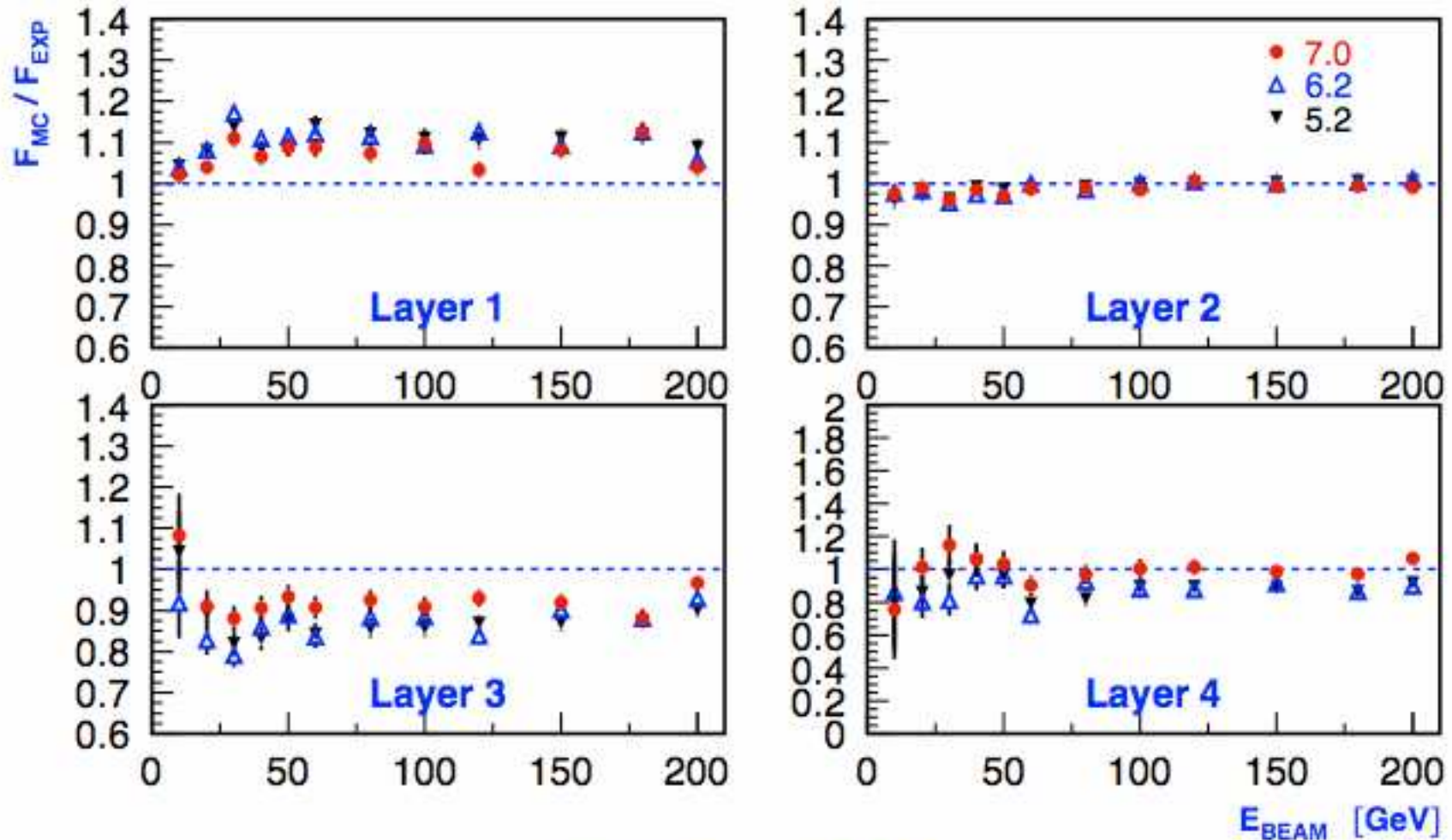
GEANT4 — LHEP



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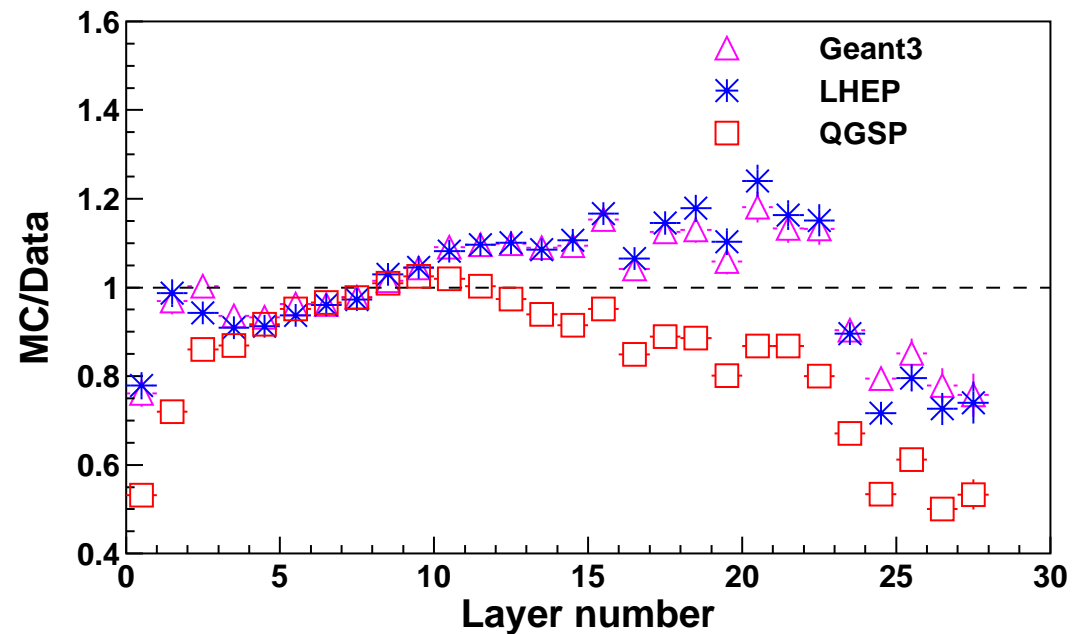
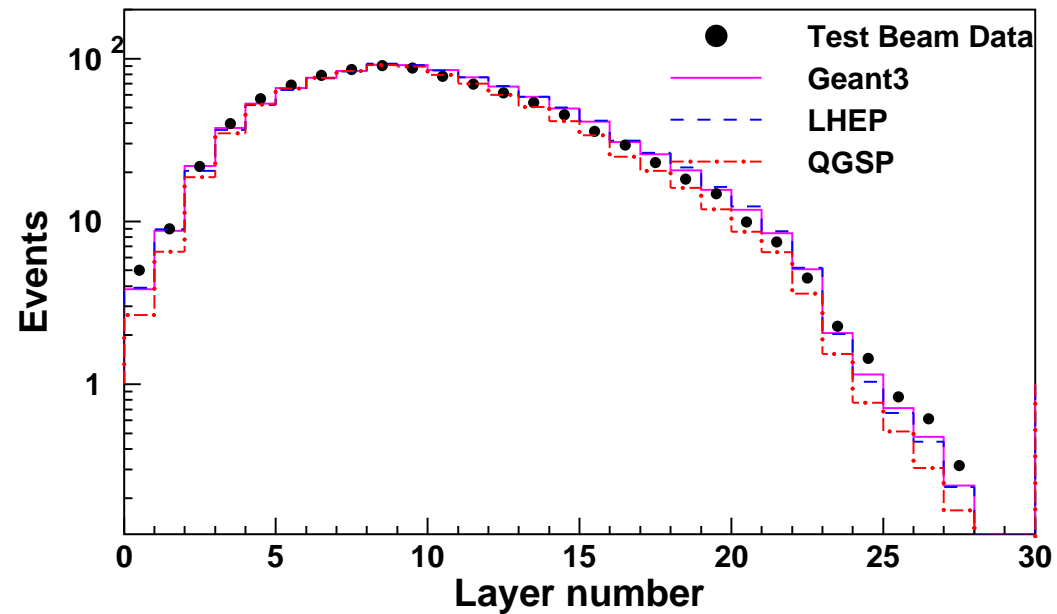
GEANT4 — QGSP



# CMS longitudinal shower profile in HCAL for 100 GeV pions

G4 5.2p02

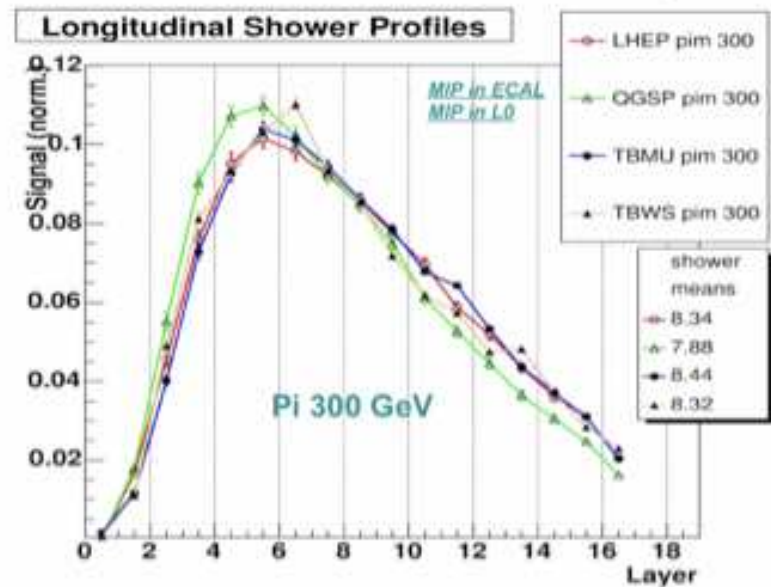
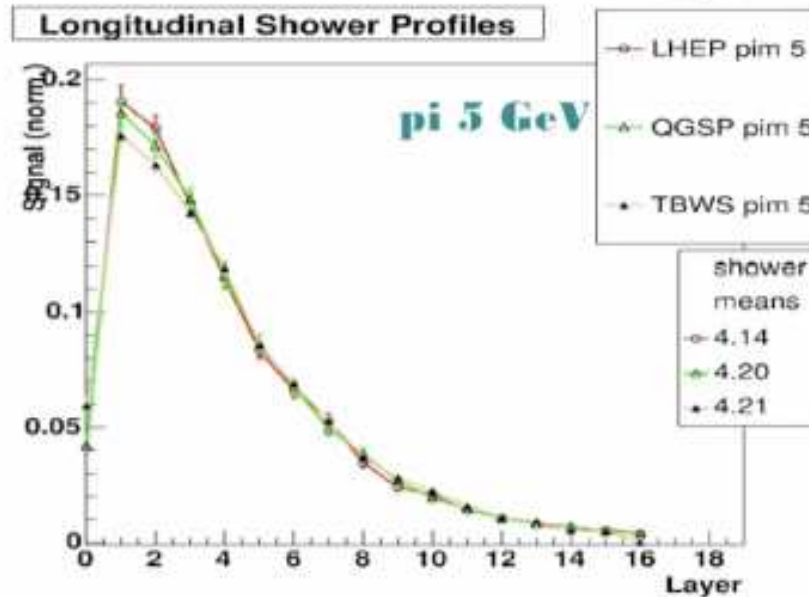
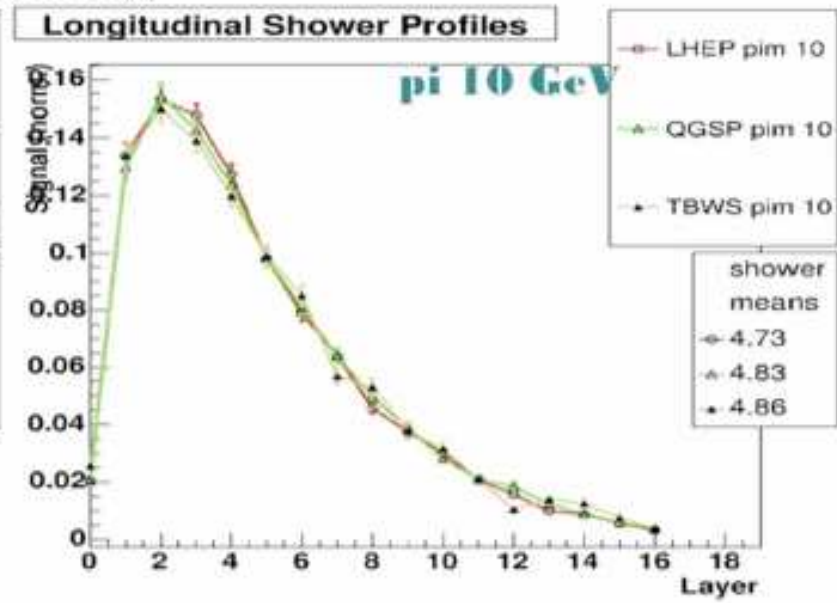
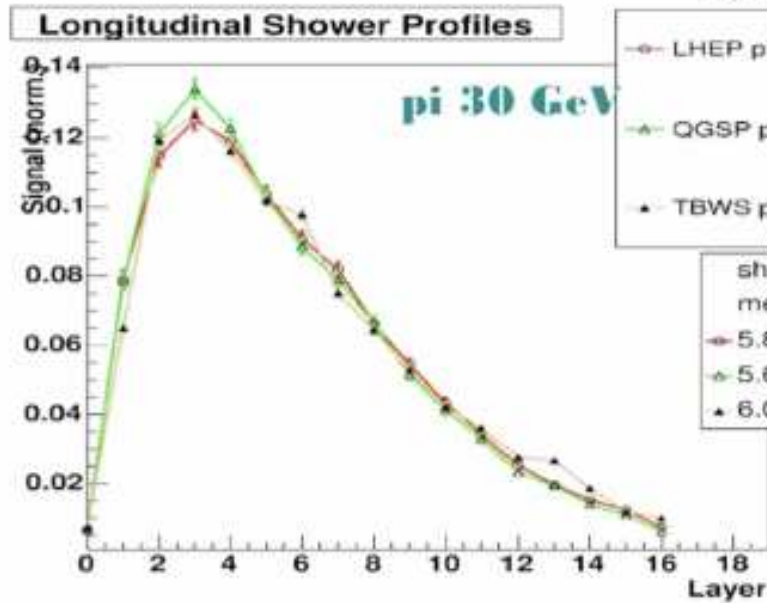
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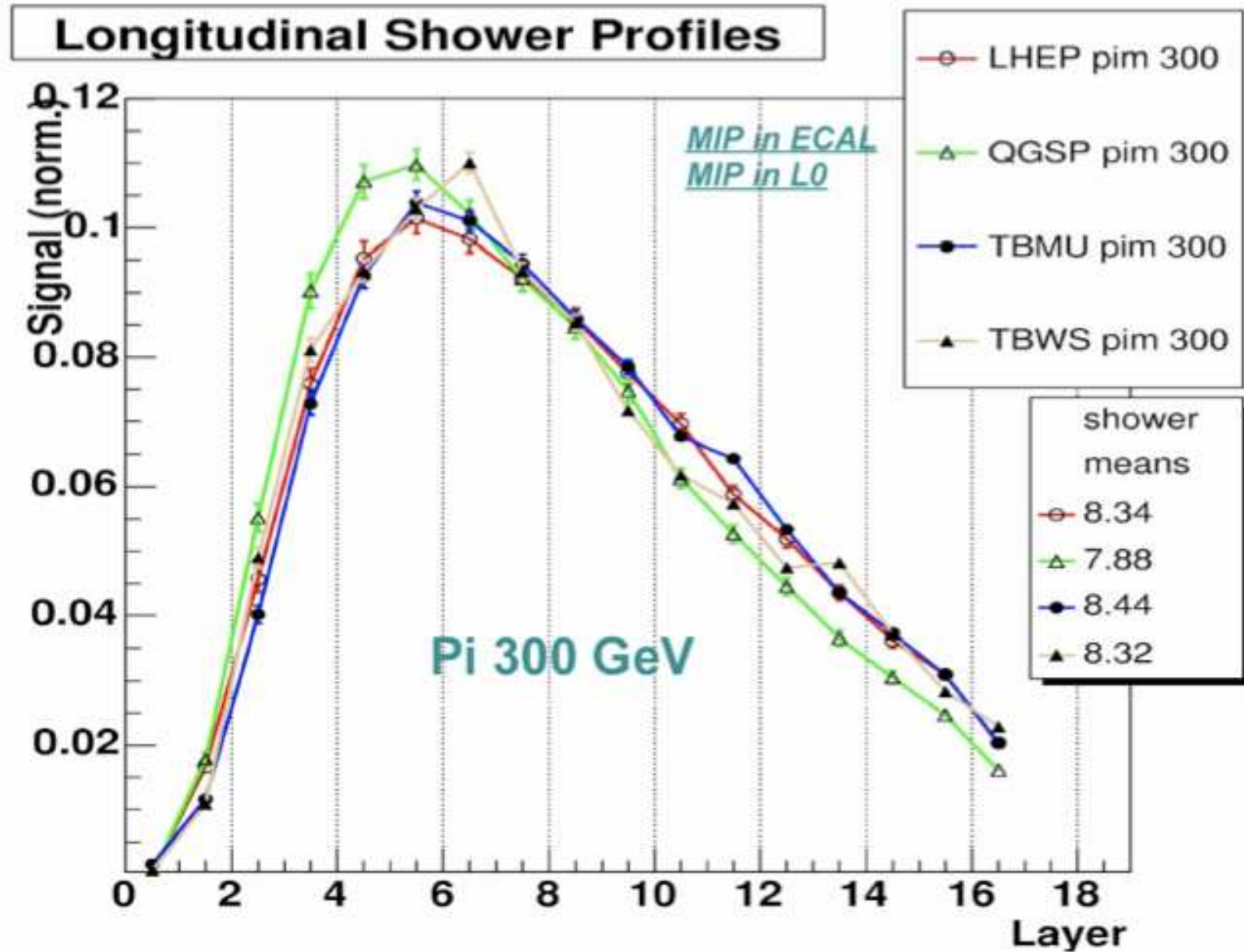


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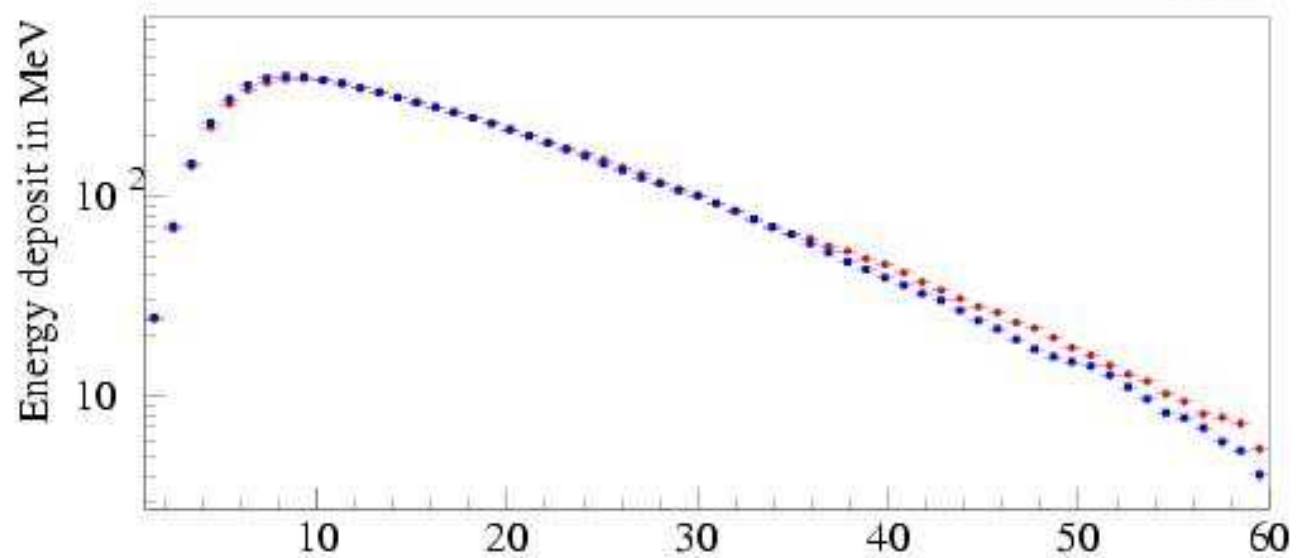
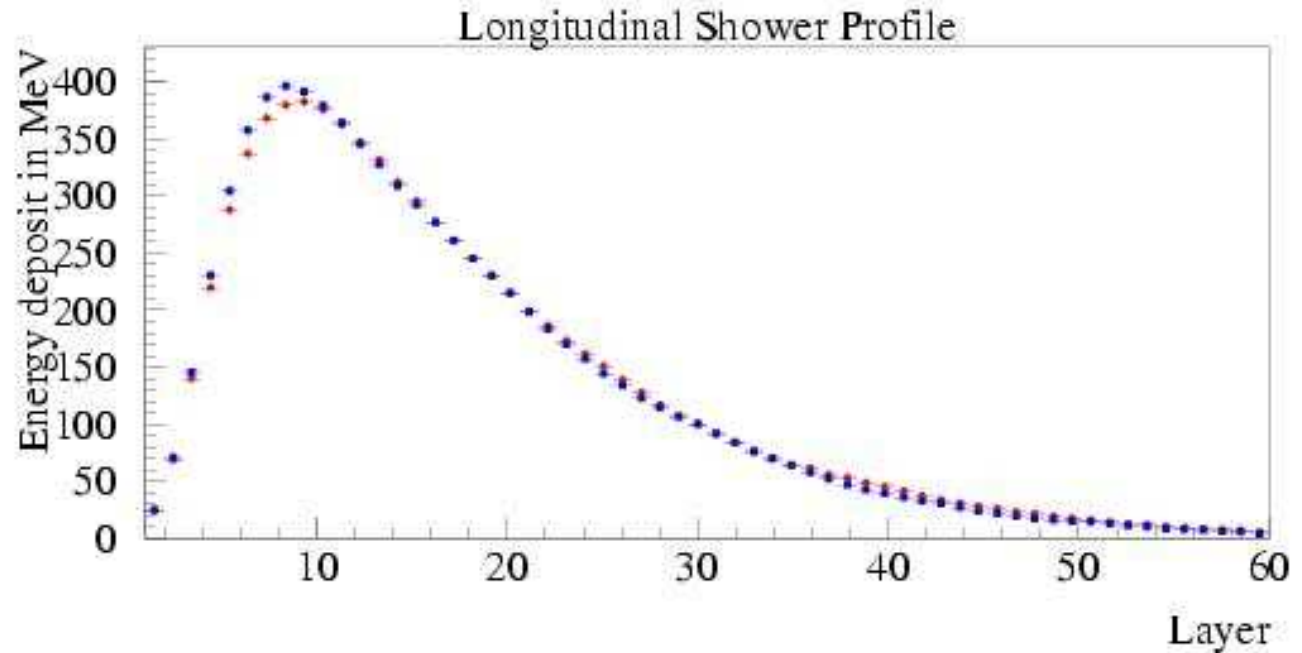


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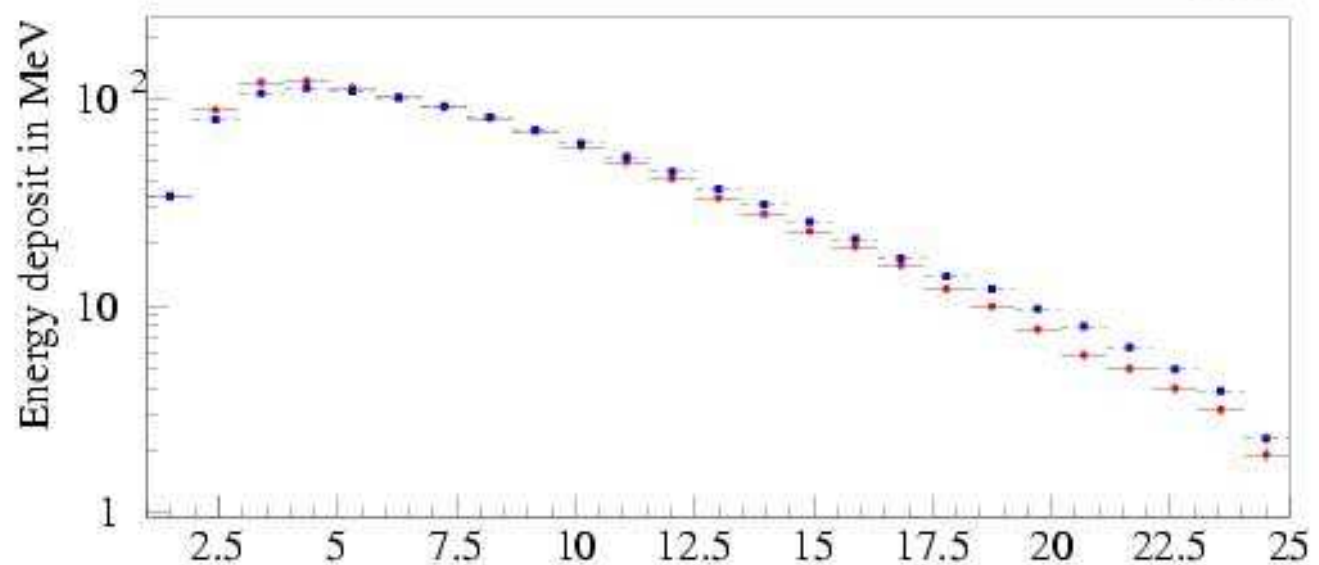
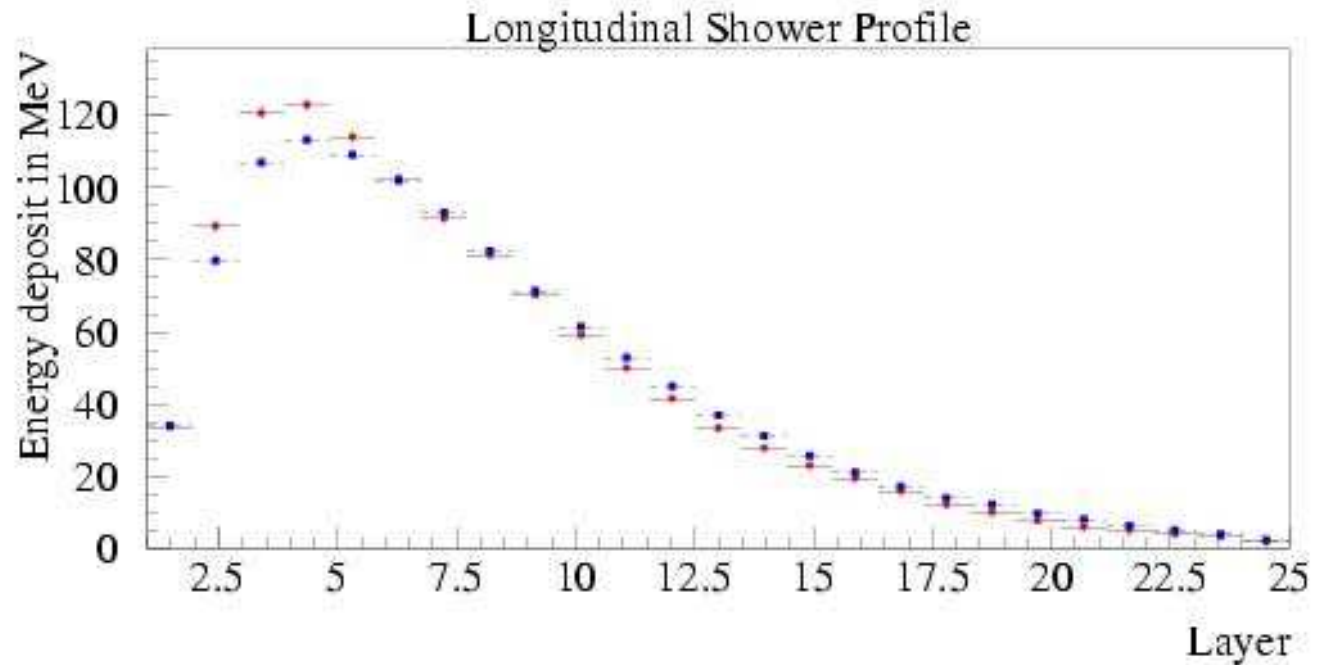
# Studies in simplified calorimeter setups (I)

"Atlas HEC"  
 $\pi^-$  200 GeV  
Cu-LAr  
 $10 \lambda$  60 layers  
(25 mm Cu)  
8.5 LAr  
5000 events  
QGSP  
G4 7.1p01  
G4 6.2p02



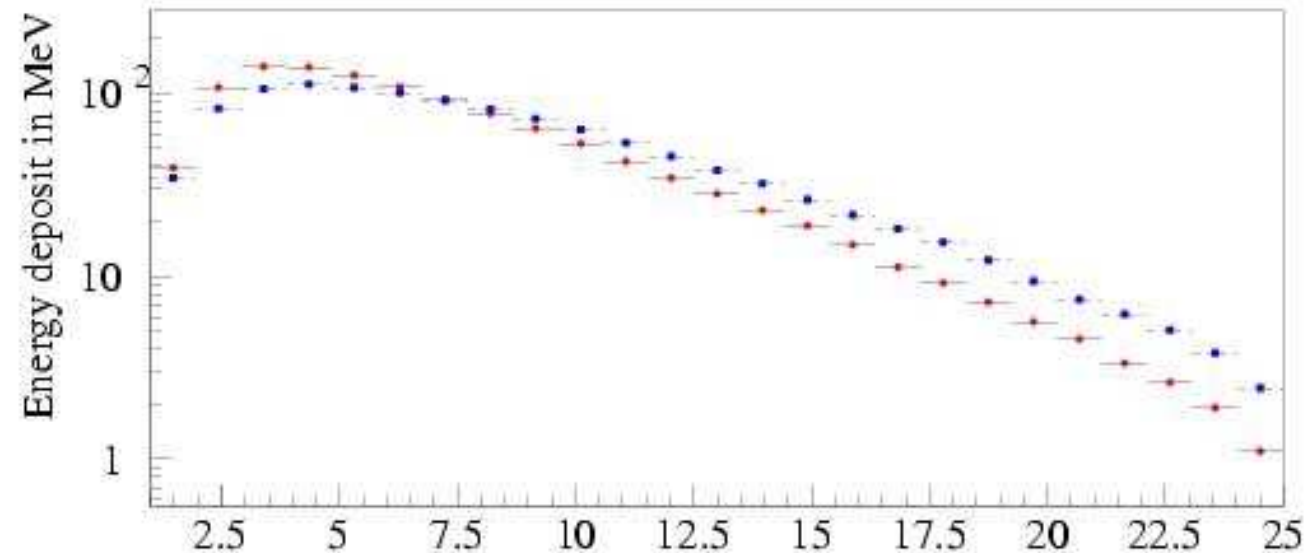
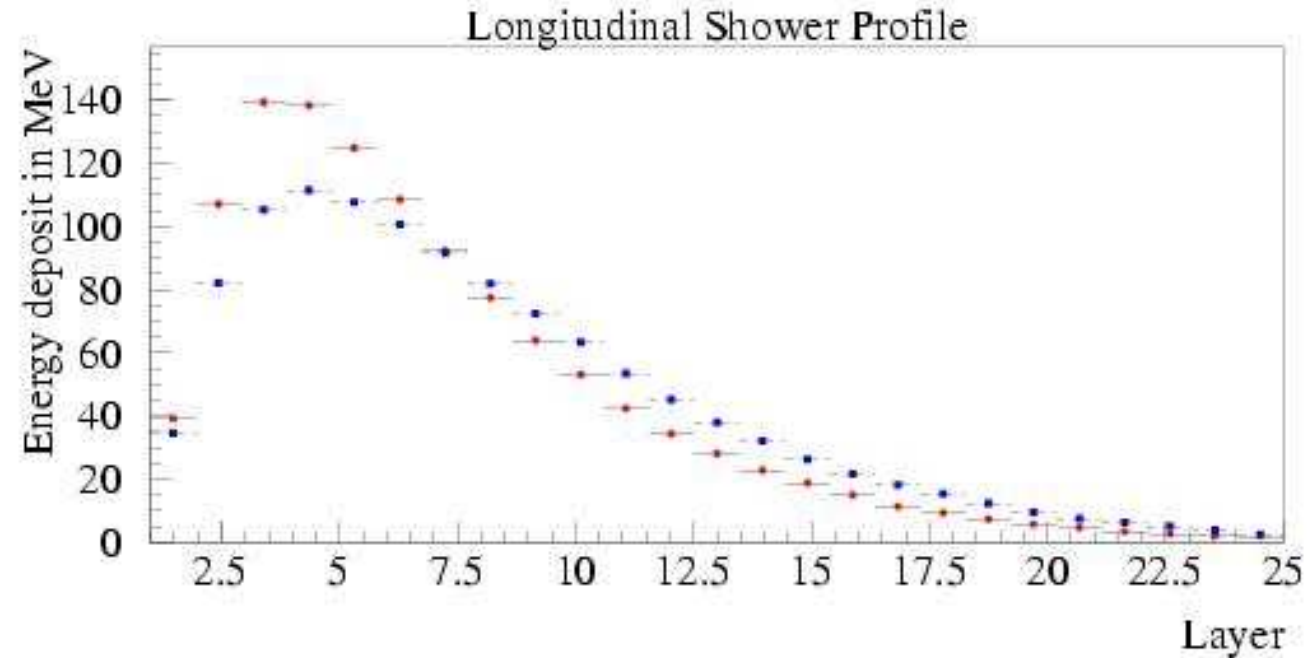
# Studies in simplified calorimeter setups (II)

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G4 7.1p01  
QGSP  
LHEP



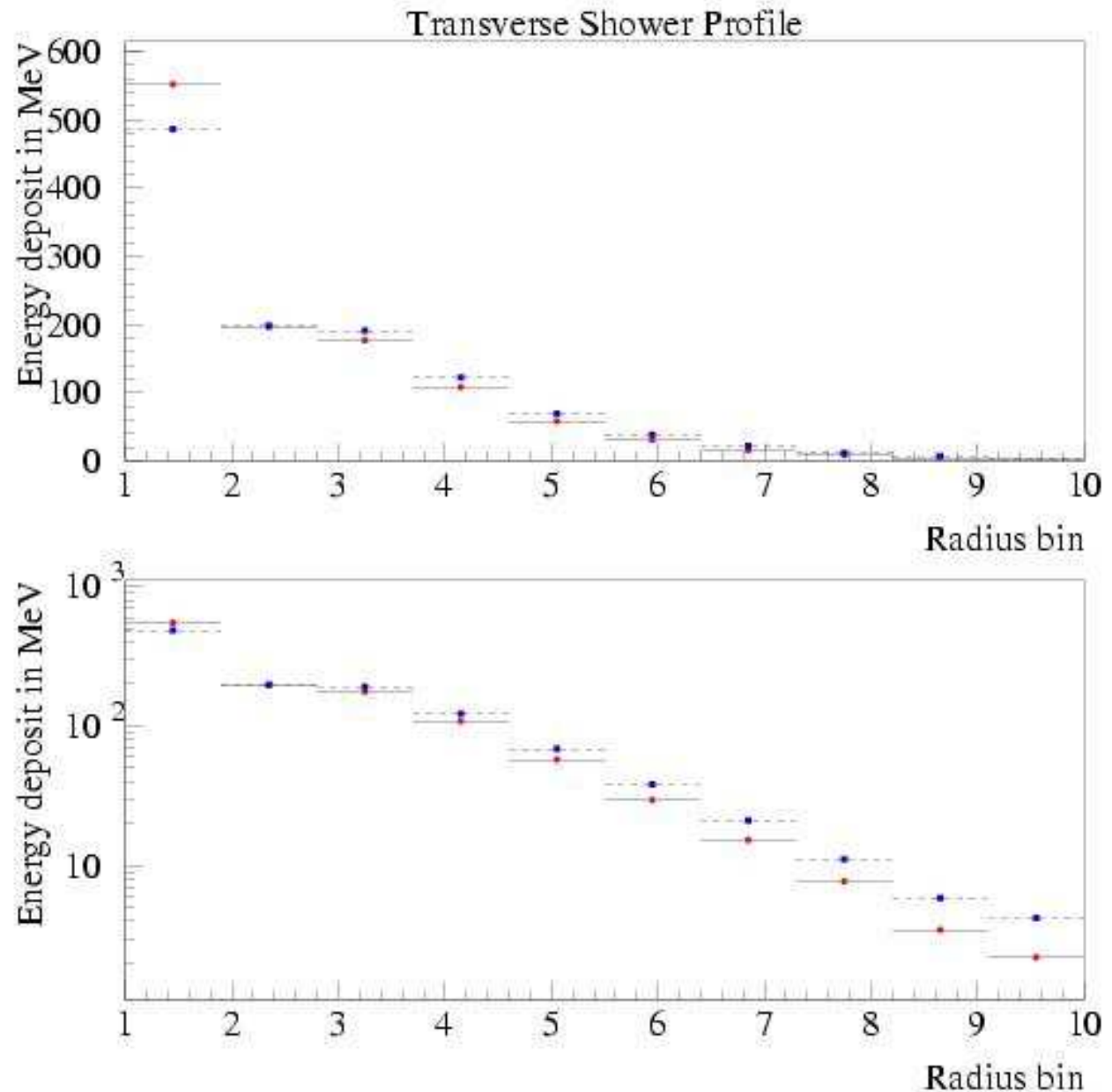
# Studies in simplified calorimeter setups (III)

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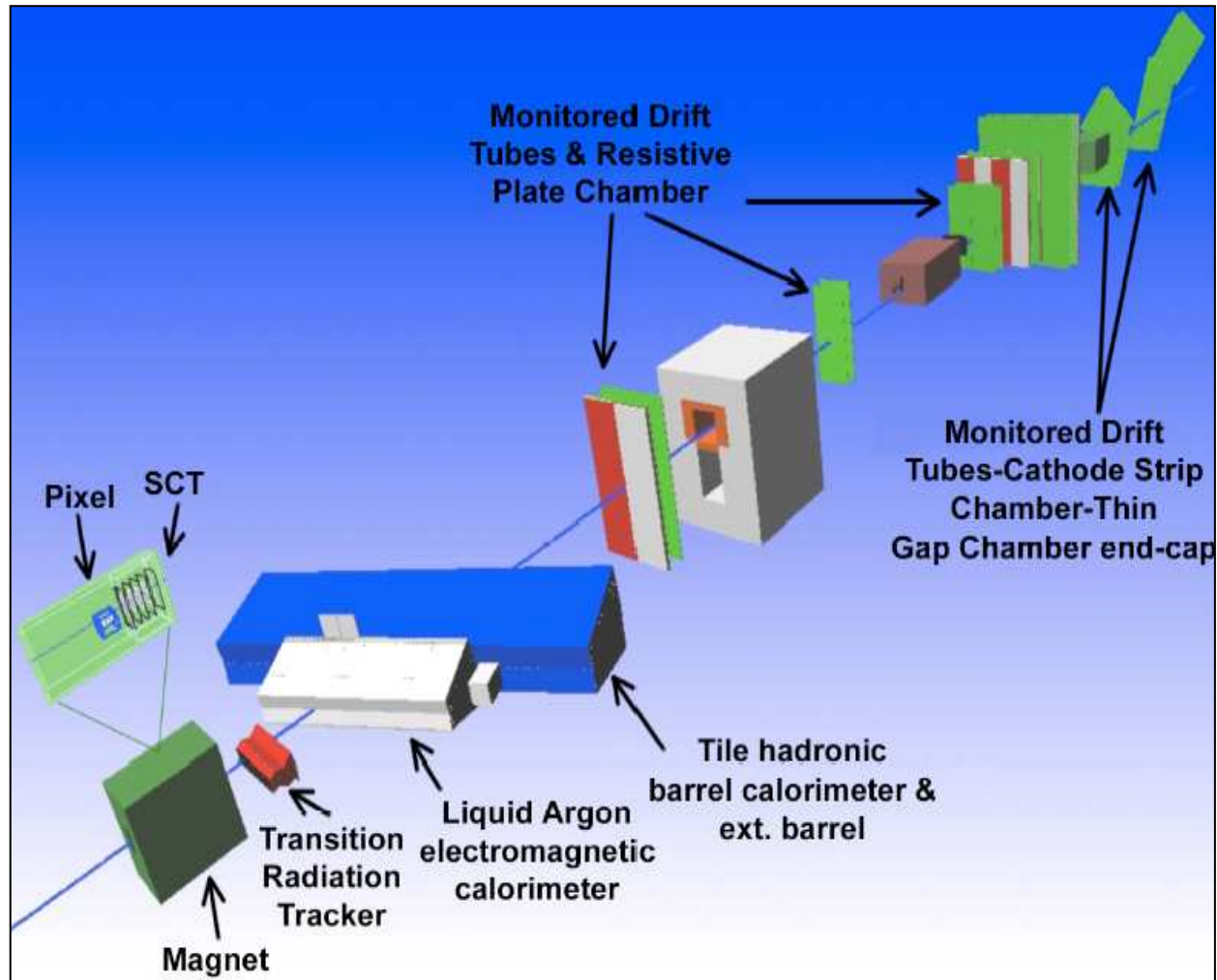


# Studies in simplified calorimeter setups (IV)

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(6 cm Cu)  
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5000 events  
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QGSP  
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# ATLAS Combined Test-Beam



ATLAS barrel slide 85 m long  
from May to October 2004  
1-350 GeV,  $e$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $p$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\gamma$

# Radiation studies with Geant4

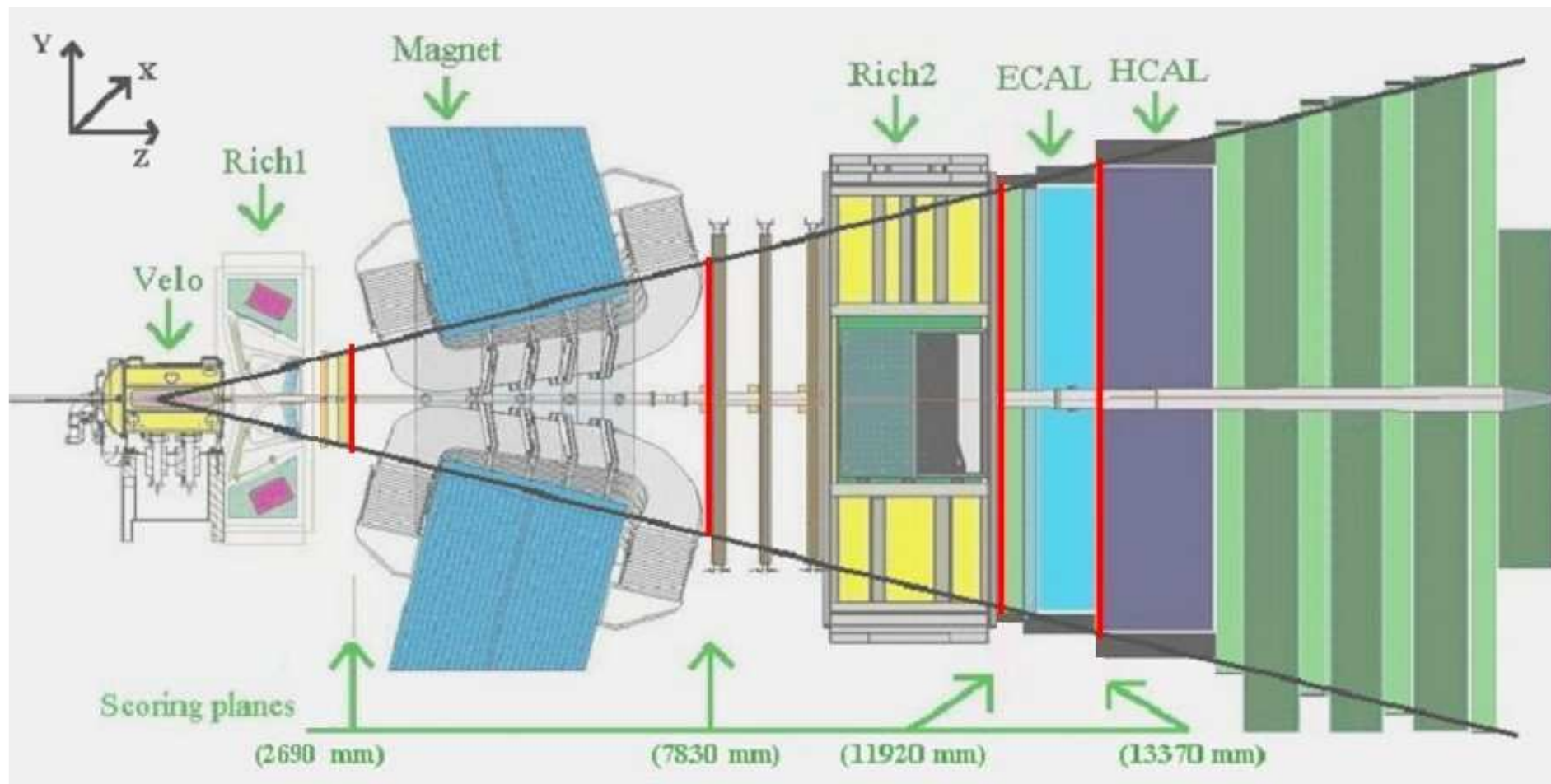
Knowledge of particle **fluences**, their energy spectra and absorbed **doses** is necessary for **radiation protection**, and to estimate the **damage** probability of detectors and electronics, and therefore for **shielding** design.

Background radiation studies for LHC experiments have been done mainly with **Fluka**. It is very interesting to compare them with **Geant4**, which offers a precise treatment of **low energy neutrons** with some Physics Lists.

Work is in progress in **LHCb**.



# LHCb layout

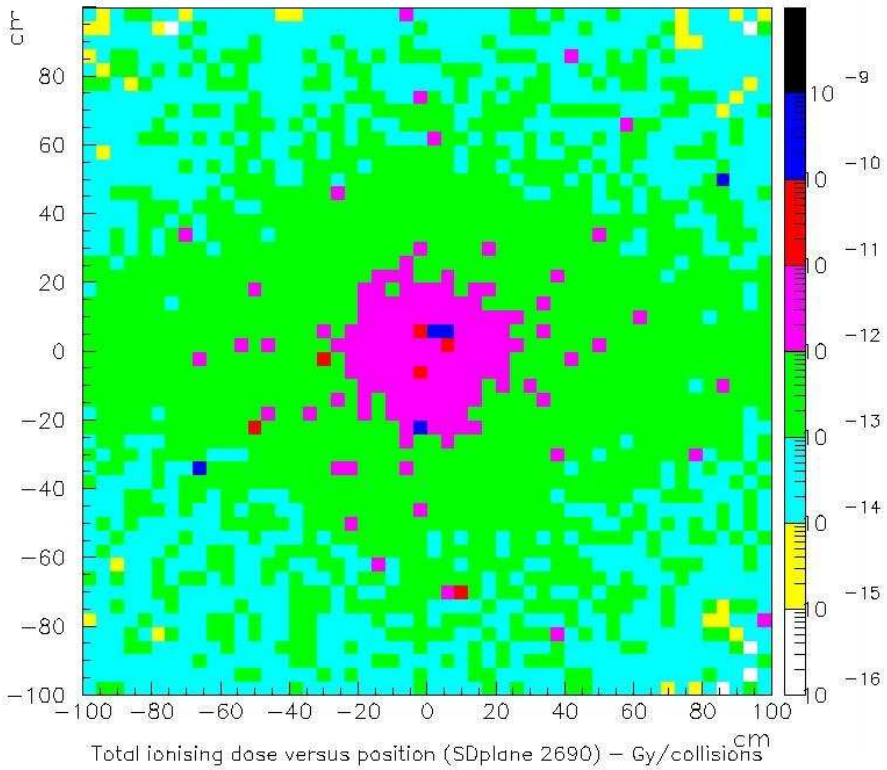


4 scoring planes

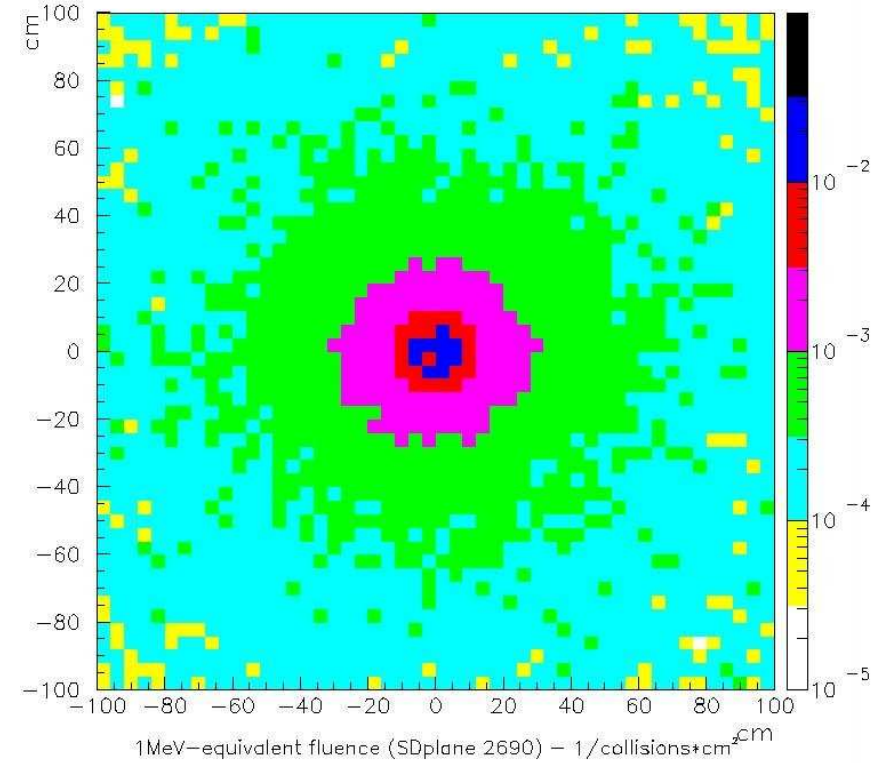
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# QGSP\_BERT\_HP

Scoring plane @ 2960

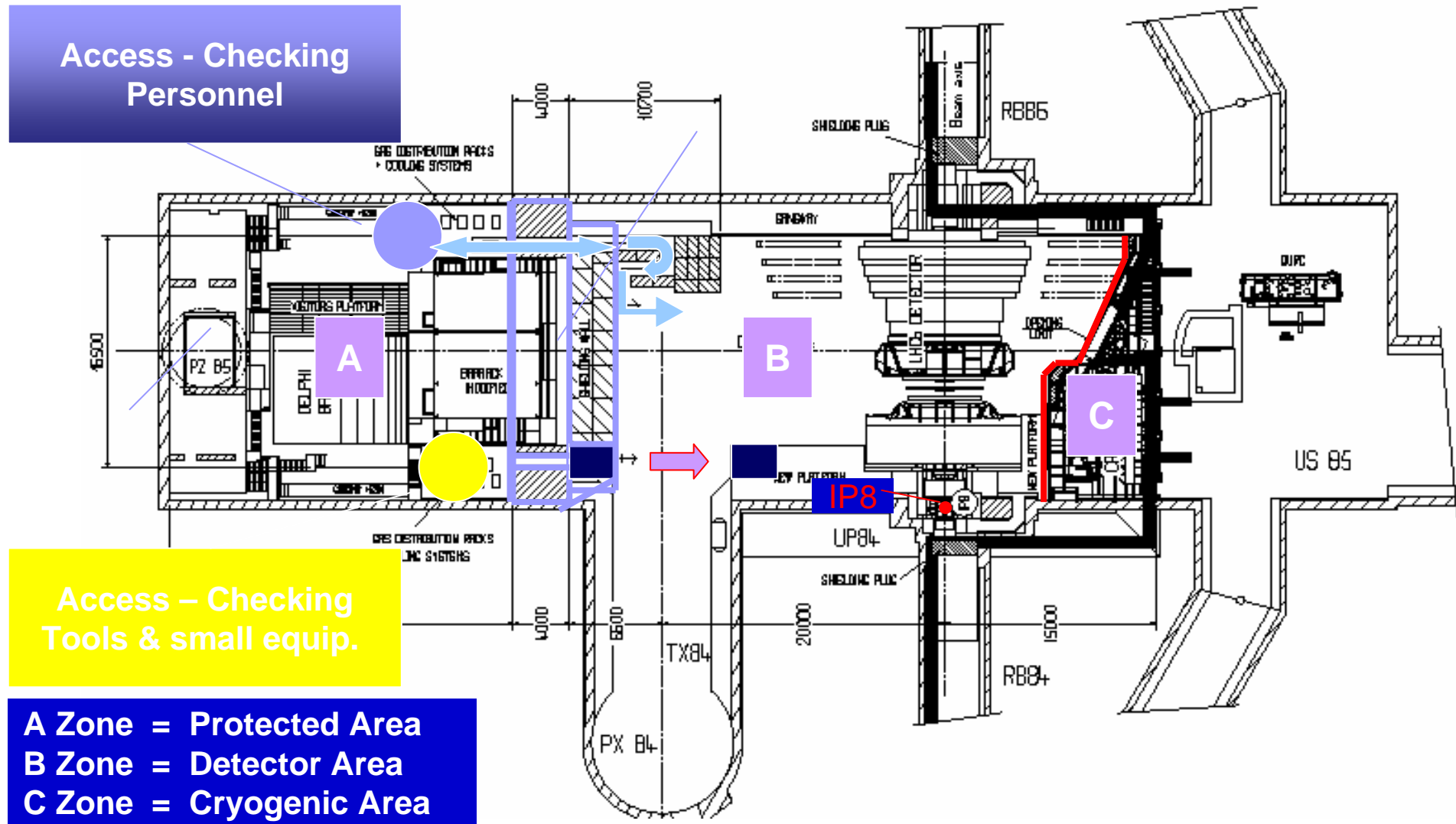


Total ionising dose



1 MeV neutron equivalent fluence

# Including the cavern in the simulation



**A Zone = Protected Area**  
**B Zone = Detector Area**  
**C Zone = Cryogenic Area**

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## Conclusions

- Geant4 electromagnetic physics has been already validated at percent level. Work is in progress to improve it further.
- First round of hadronic physics validation has been completed, with good results.

For the simple benchmark observables that we have checked so far there is a reasonable agreement between data and both Geant4 and Fluka, more or less at the same level.

For the calorimeter test-beams, Geant4 describes well the pion energy resolution,  $\sigma/E$ , and the ratio  $e/\pi$ .

The shape of hadronic showers still needs further improvements.

- ATLAS and CMS 2004 test-beam data will provide several other validation tests for Geant4 EM and HAD physics.
- Radiation background studies in Geant4 are in progress.