

# Pion Simulations for the ATLAS HEC Testbeam

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- No new results since December 2003 meeting  
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- HEC stand-alone testbeam
- Geant4
  - Version 5.0p01
  - Hadronic physics lists for calorimetry
    - \* LHEP 3.3
    - \* QGSP 2.3
  - 20  $\mu\text{m}$  range cut
- Geant3
  - Version 3.21
  - G-CALOR (hadronic shower code)
  - 100 keV transport cuts and 1 MeV process cuts



- Energy normalisation

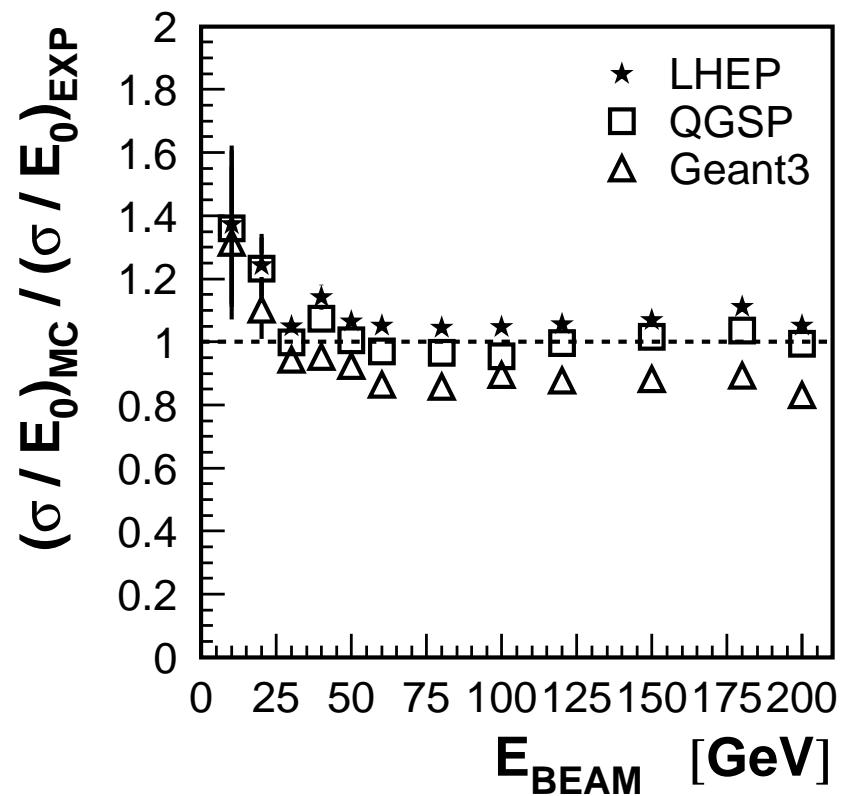
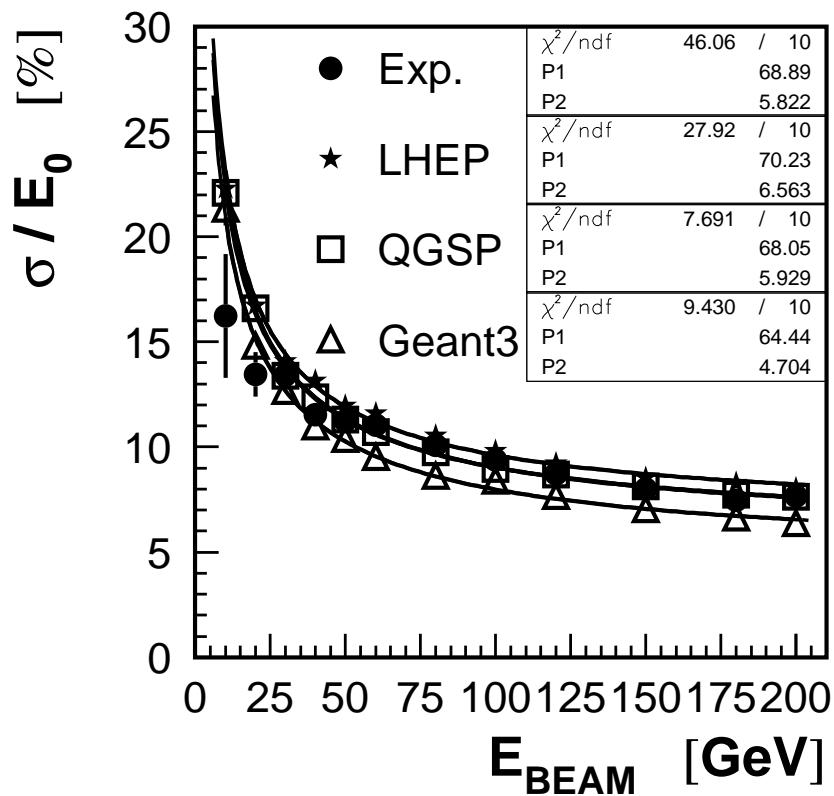
- Simple (one-parameter) EM-scale calibration:
  - \* electron beams
  - \* average visible energy  $\Rightarrow$  beam energy
- Most of studied variables enter in ratio  
(resolution  $\sigma/E_0$ , fraction of energy in layers, etc.)

- Noise treatment

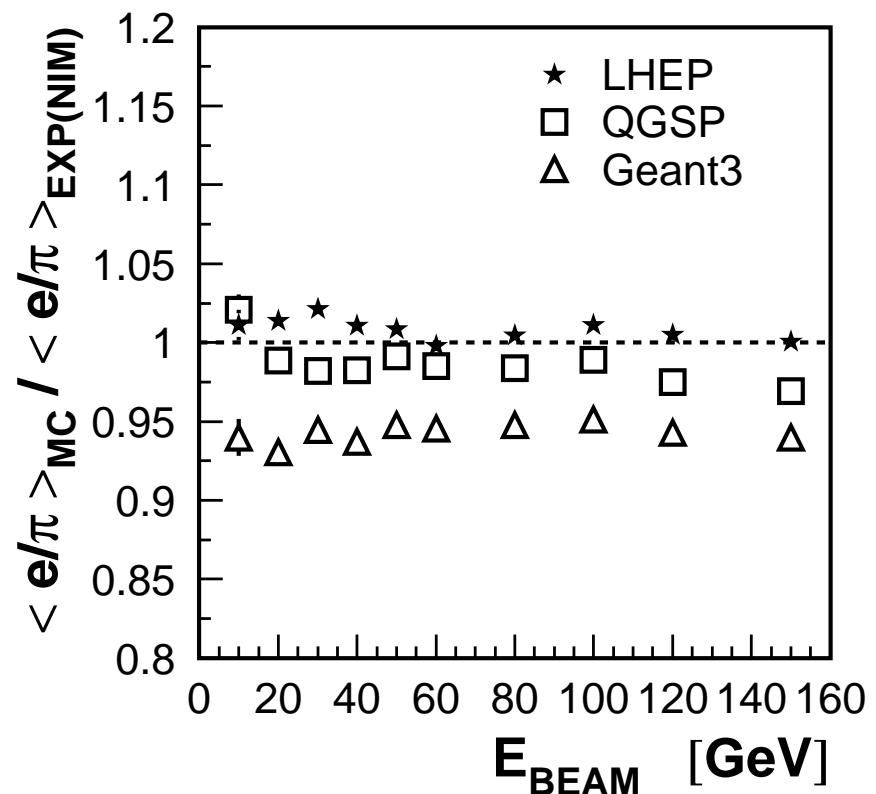
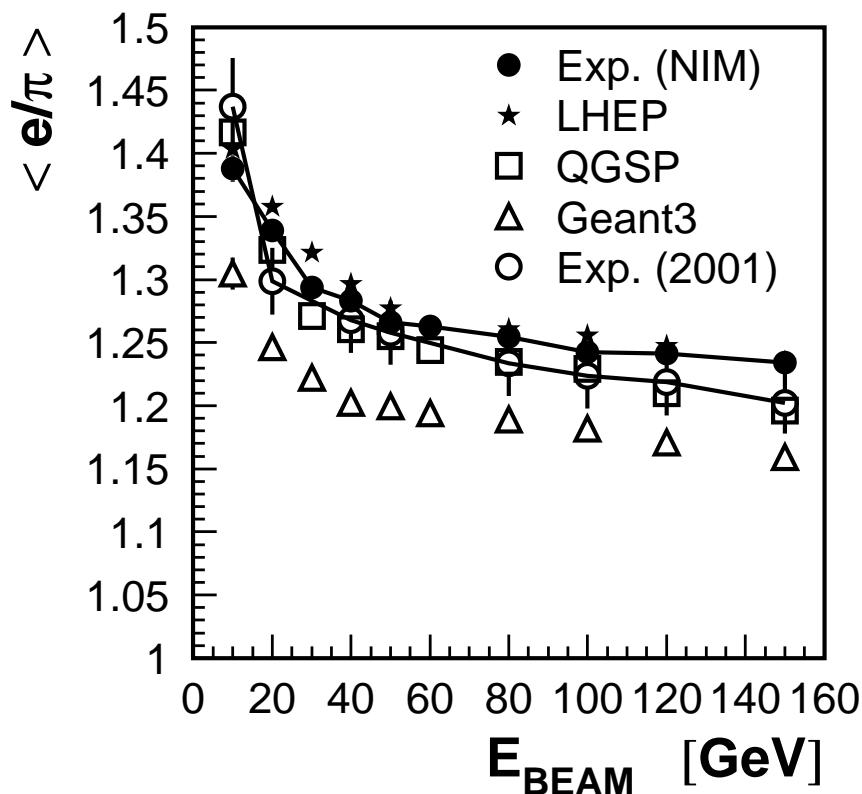
- Cluster of fixed size
- Well controlled distributions of noise in clusters  
(first five time slices)
- Noise subtraction from experimental values of resolution



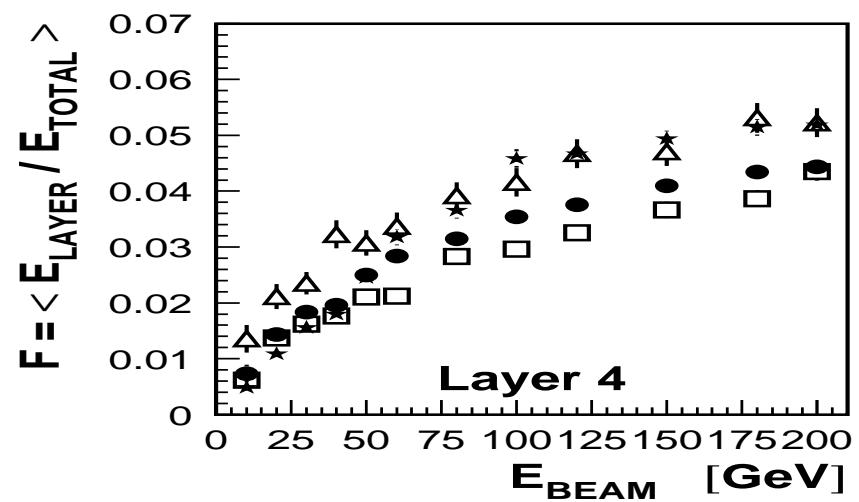
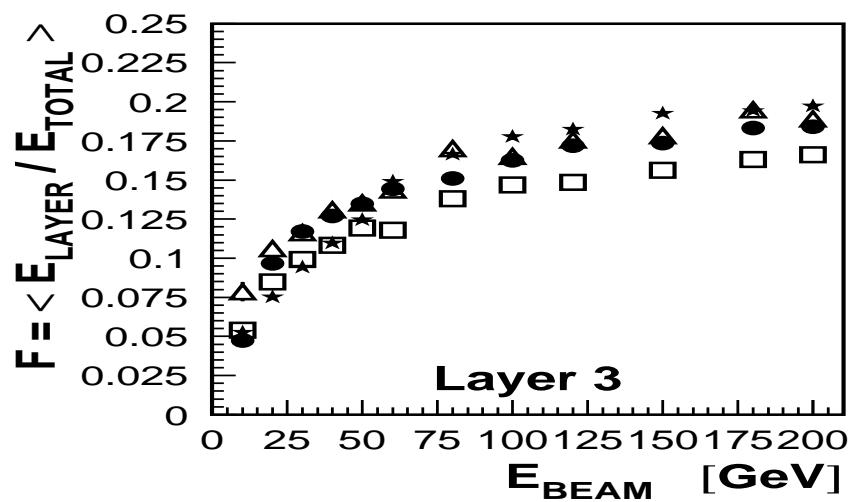
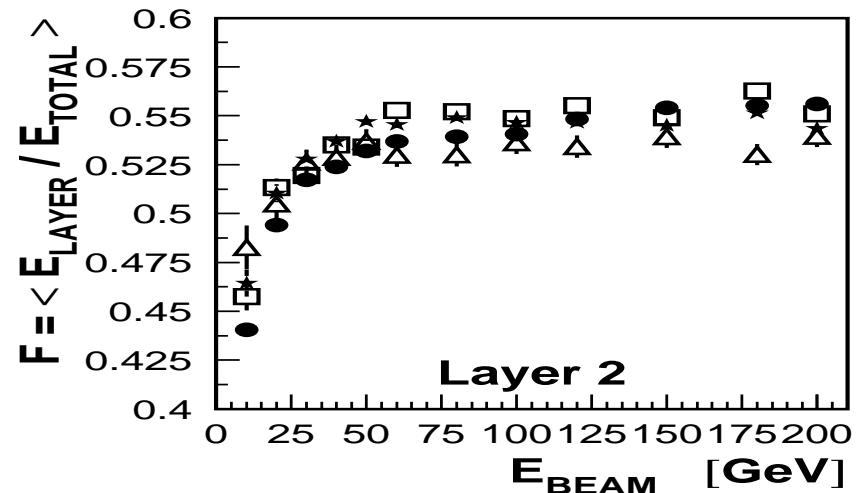
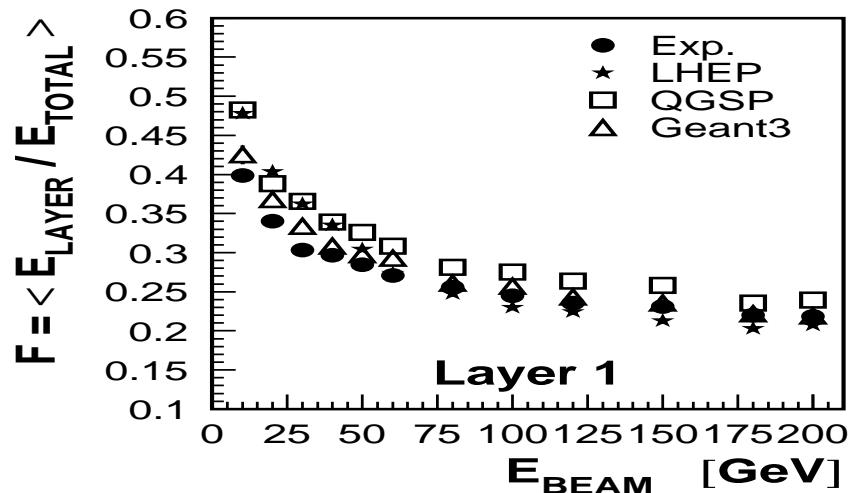
## Pion energy resolution



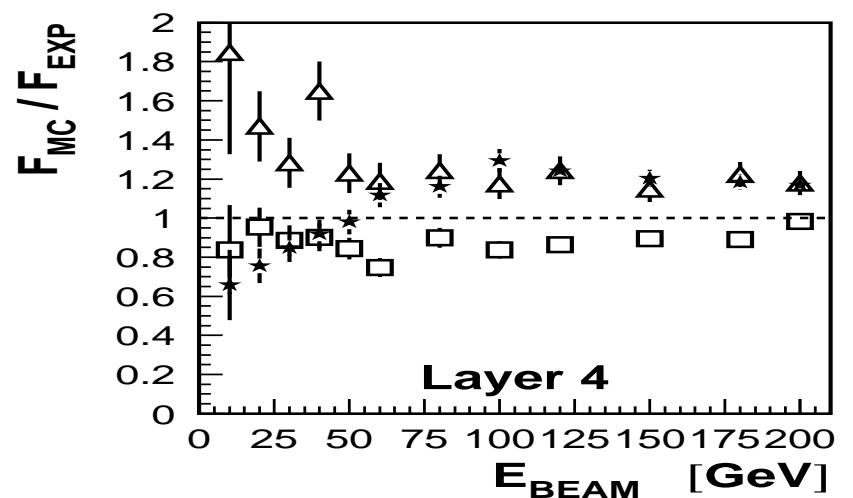
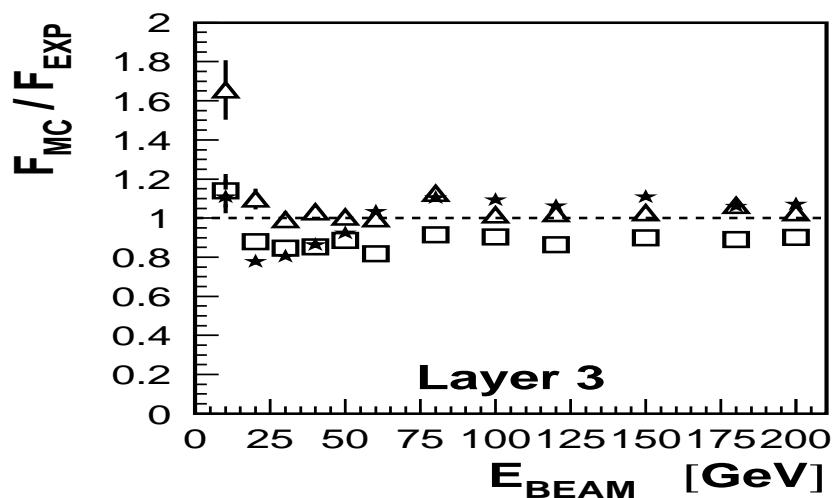
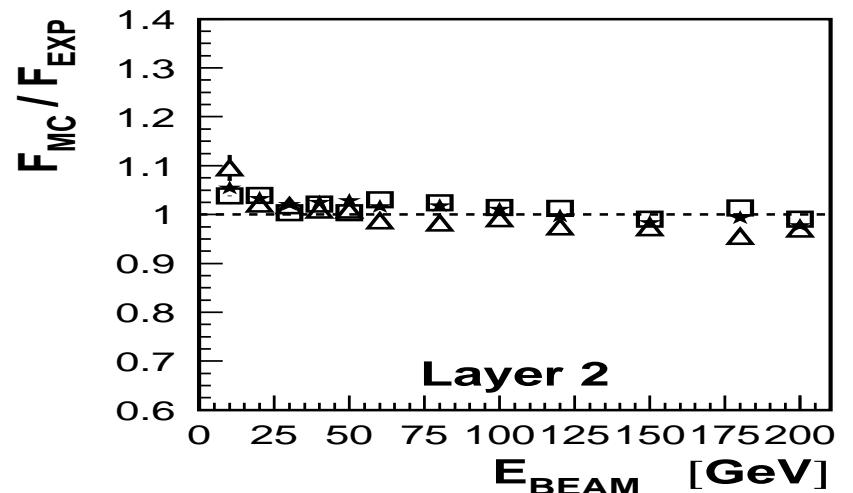
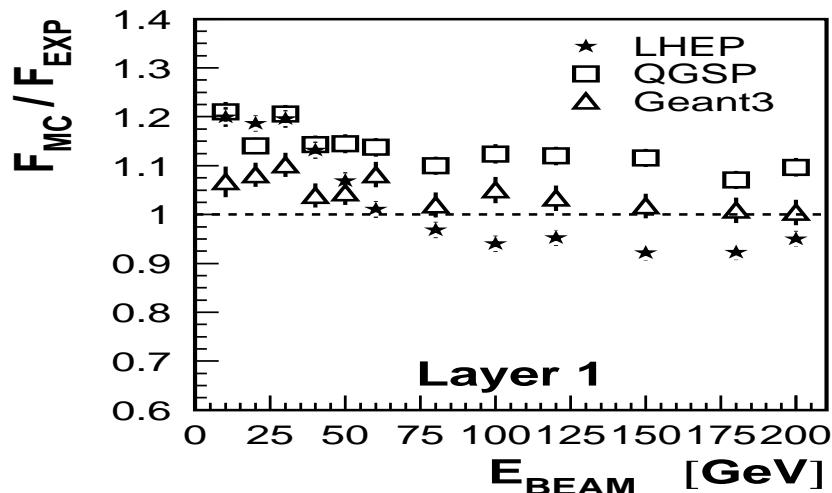
Ratio  $e/\pi$



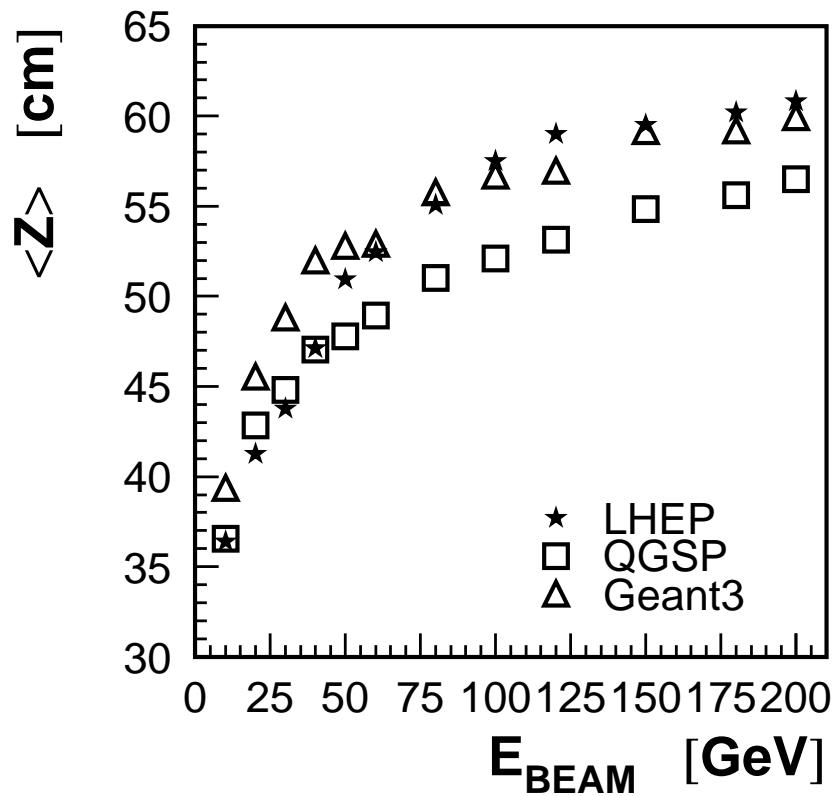
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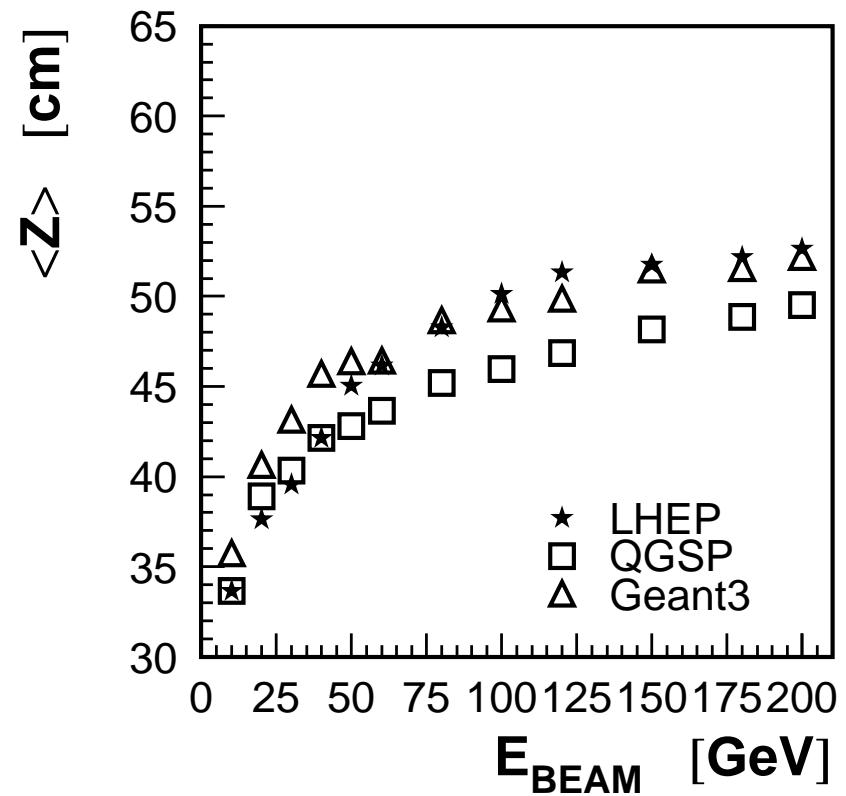
## Fraction of energy in HEC layers (ratio to experiment)



## Average longitudinal position of a shower



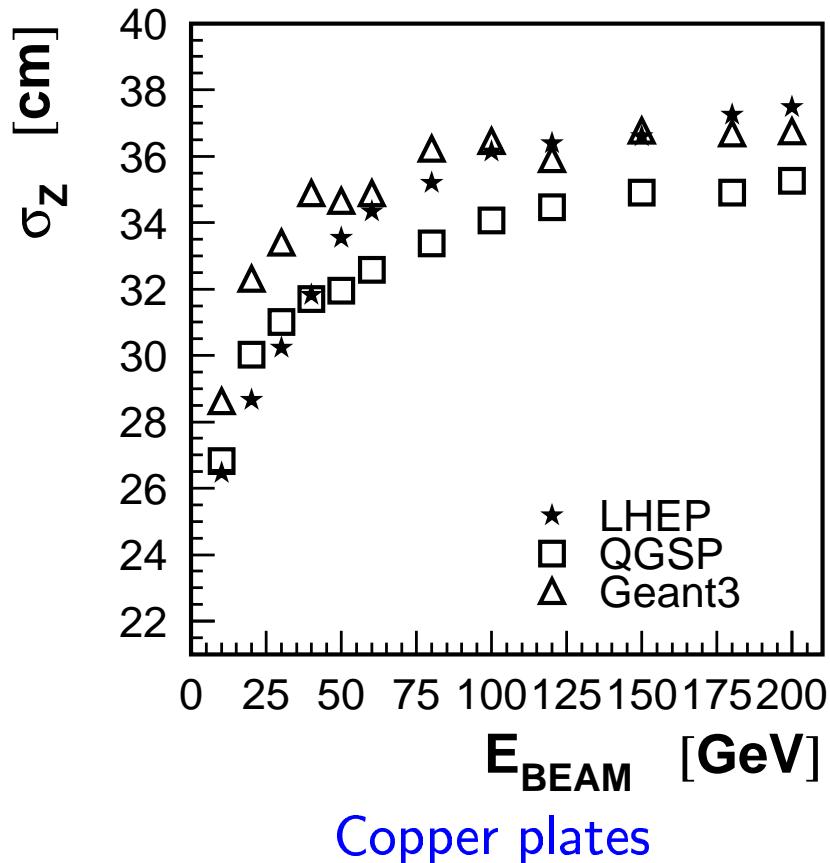
Copper plates



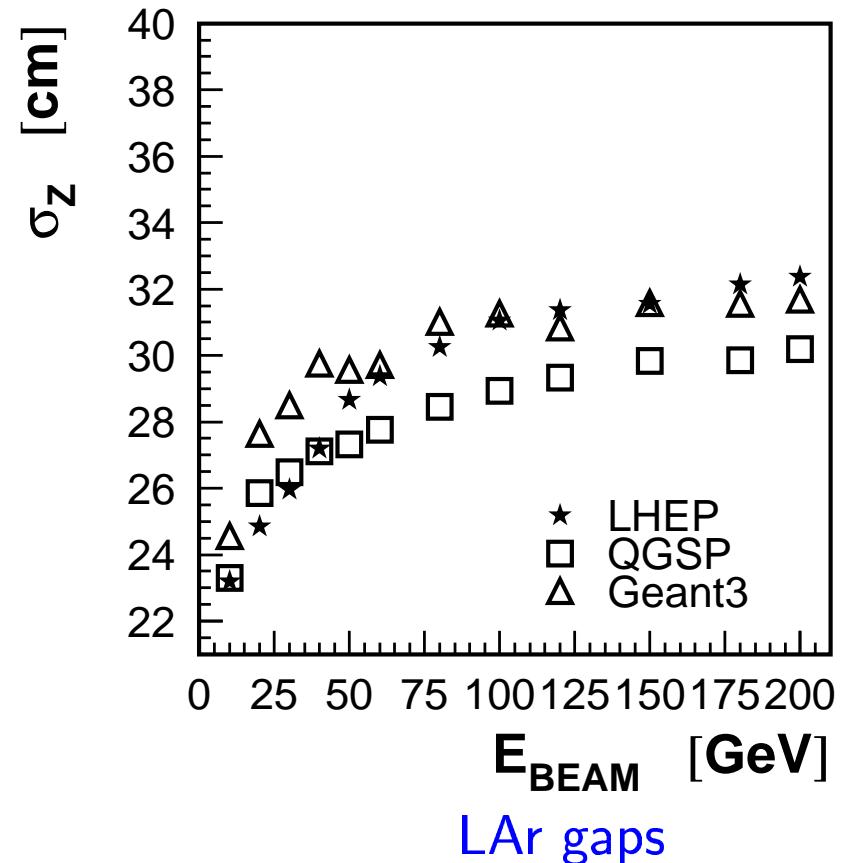
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## Longitudinal spread of a shower



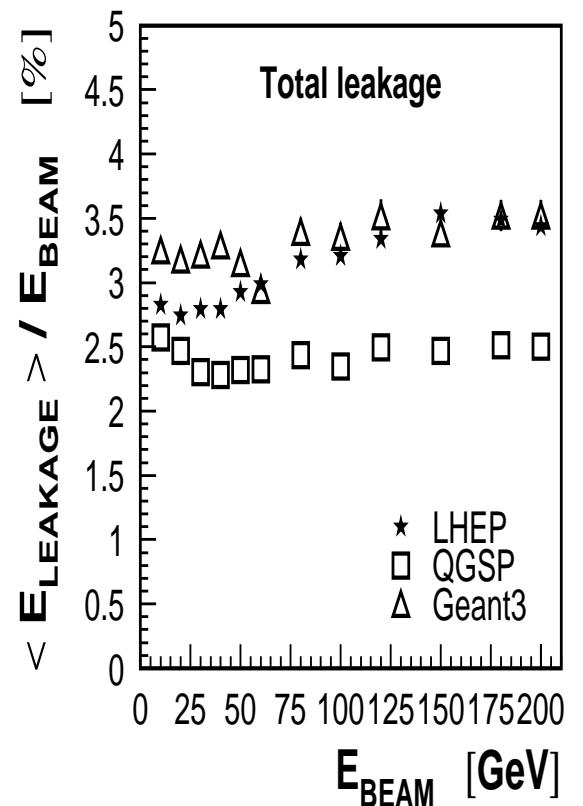
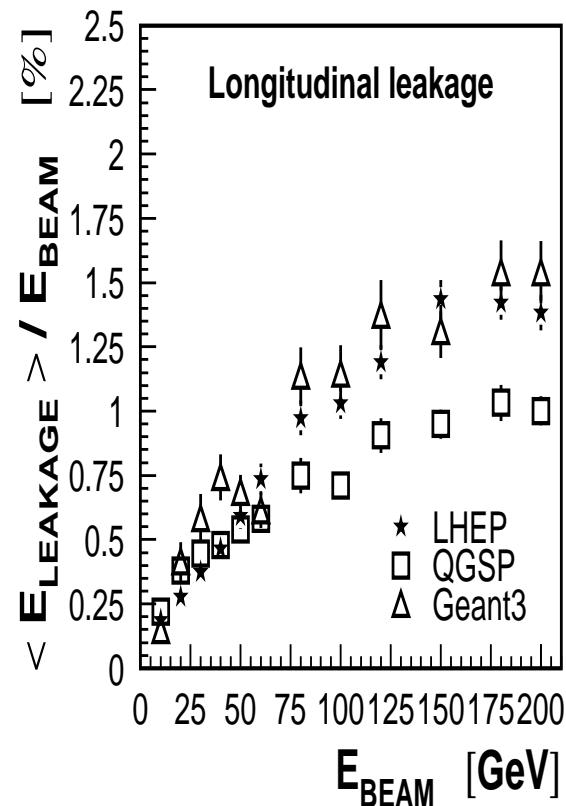
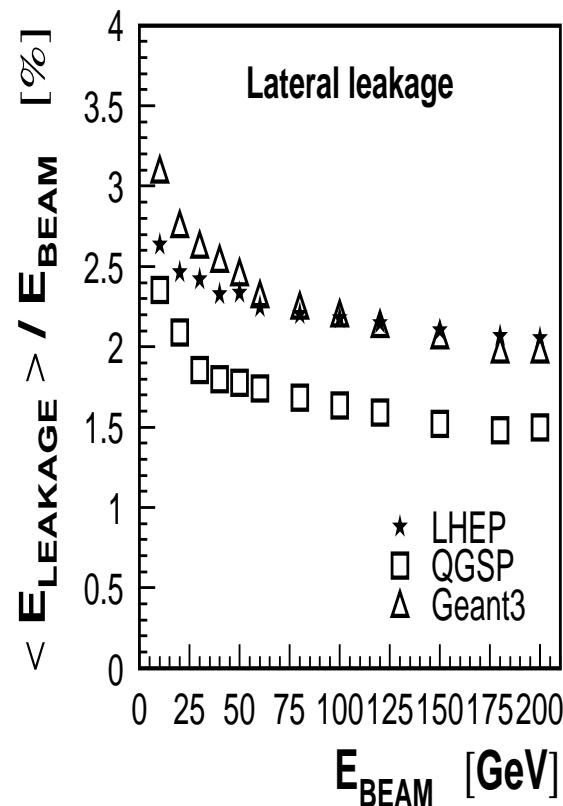
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## Energy leakage



## Current Conclusions

Geant4 (5.0p01) based simulations for the HEC testbeam:

- LHEP-3.3 and QGSP-2.3 physics lists describe rather well:
  - the energy resolution for pions
  - the  $e/\pi$ -ratio
- There are still some problems in the description of longitudinal development of hadronic showers

