
LArSoft light signal simulation

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Reminder:

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TrigReport ----- Event summary -----
TrigReport Events total = 1 passed = 0 failed = 1

TrigReport ----- Modules in End-path -----
TrigReport      Run      Success      Error Name
TrigReport      0        0        0 out1

TimeReport ----- Time summary [sec] -----
TimeReport CPU = 3.707860 Real = 4.063928

MemReport ----- Memory summary [base-10 MB] -----
MemReport VmPeak = 2337.51 VmHWM = 1274.04

%MSG-s ArtException: PostEndJob 17-Nov-2022 06:25:50 CST ModuleEndJob
---- EventProcessorFailure BEGIN
EventProcessor: an exception occurred during current event processing
---- ScheduleExecutionFailure BEGIN
Path: ProcessingStopped.
---- OtherArt BEGIN
ParticleList BEGIN
sim::ParticleList::insert - ERROR - track ID=1 is already in the list
The above exception was thrown while processing module larg4Main/largeant run: 1 subRun: 0 event: 1
ParticleList END
---- OtherArt END
Exception going through path simulate
---- ScheduleExecutionFailure END
---- EventProcessorFailure END
---- FatalRootError BEGIN
Fatal Root Error: TTree::SetEntries
Tree branches have different numbers of entries, eg sim::AuxDetSimChannels_genericrrt_G4. has 0 entries while Ev
entAuxiliary has 1 entries.
ROOT severity: 2000
---- FatalRootError END
%MSG
Art has completed and will exit with status 1.
```

- We need to be able to run full light simulations in LArSoft.
- After the migration to the new LArG4 there was a bug preventing us from doing it.

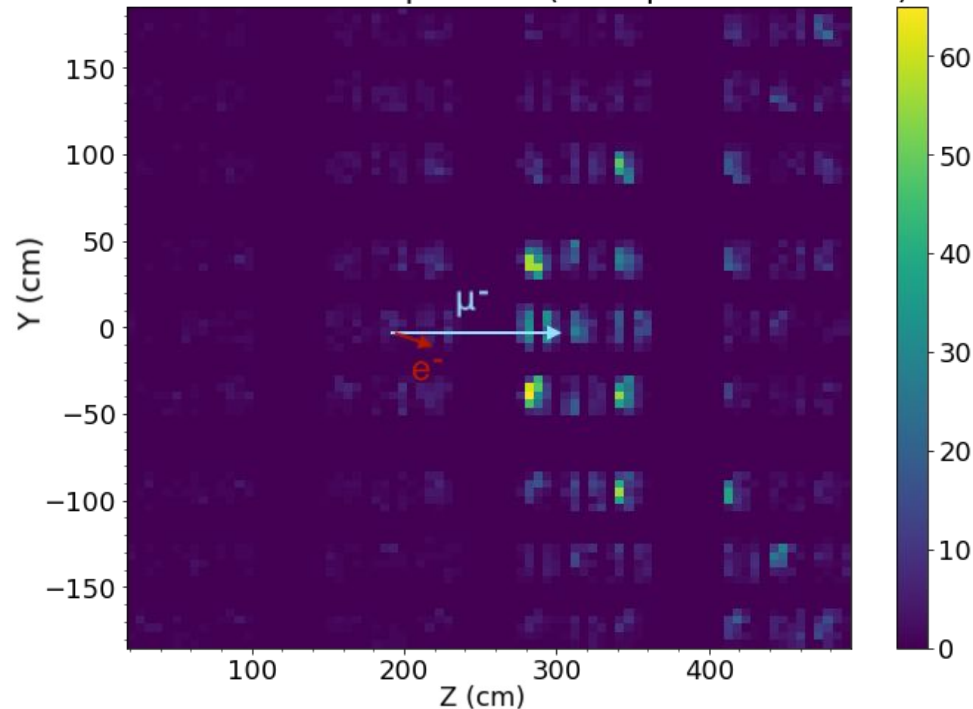
Update:

```
S | std::vector<sim::AuxDetHit>.....?
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....?
| std::vector<art::RNGsnapshot>.....8
| std::vector<artg4tk::PhotonHit>.....16977
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....?
| std::vector<sim::SimPhotonsLite>.....312
| art::TriggerResults.....1
| std::vector<sim::MCShower>.....0
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....1822
| std::vector<simb::MCParticle>.....159304
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....?
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....?
| std::vector<sim::SimEnergyDeposit>.....?
| std::vector<sim::OpDetBacktrackerRecord>.....152
| std::vector<sim::SimChannel>.....17
| std::vector<sim::OpDetBacktrackerRecord>.....126
| std::vector<sim::MCTrack>.....2
r | std::vector<artg4tk::PhotonHit>.....11131
| std::map<int,std::set<int> >.....8
```

- We managed to find a provisional solution to run the first full simulations with the new LArG4.
 - We can now generate, propagate and detect optical photons.
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- PhotonHit is the object containing the **true** information of the detected photons which was previously empty and is full now.

LArSoft light simulation: Cherenkov light.

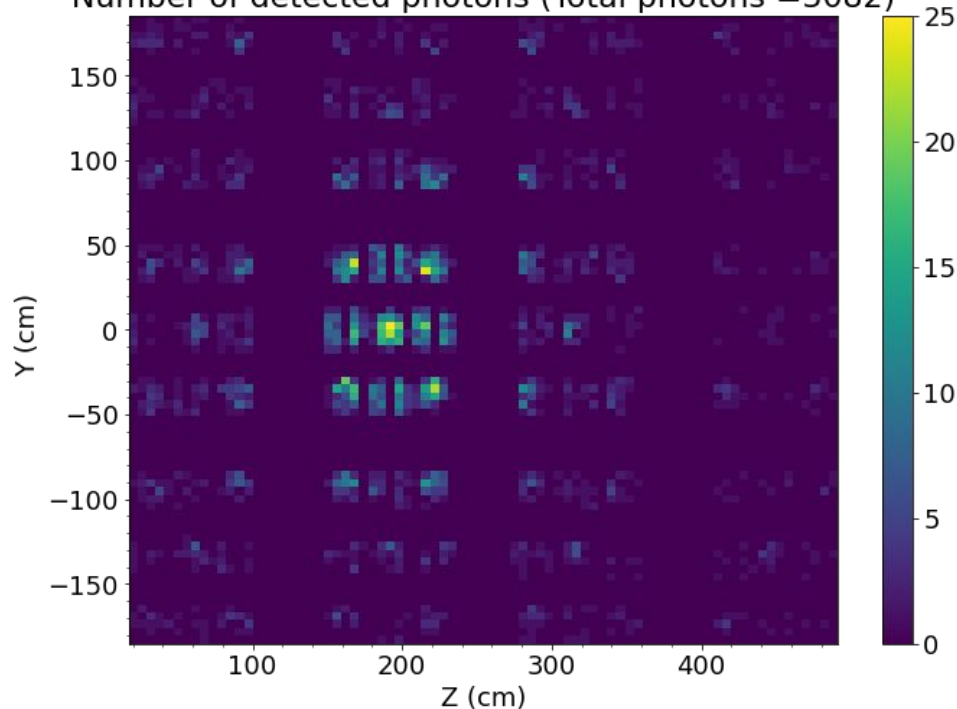
Number of detected photons (Total photons = 6326)



- Simulate **only Cherenkov** light of an electron (0.3 GeV) and a muon (0.03 GeV).
- High granularity, as we store the position where the photon hits the detector.
- We can differentiate PMTs and XArapucas.

LArSoft light simulation: scintillation light.

Number of detected photons (Total photons = 3082)



- Simulate **only scintillation light** of a low energy electron (0.03 GeV).
- Isotropic emission as expected.

Next task:

Public Member Functions

SimPhotonsLite ()=default

Default constructor (do not use! it's for **ROOT** only). [More...](#)

SimPhotonsLite (int chan)

Constructor: associated to optical detector channel chan, and empty. [More...](#)

SimPhotonsLite & **operator+=** (const **SimPhotonsLite** &rhs)

Add all photons from rhs to this ones, at their original time. [More...](#)

SimPhotonsLite **operator+** (const **SimPhotonsLite** &rhs) const

bool **operator==** (const **SimPhotonsLite** &other) const

Returns whether other is on the same channel (OpChannel) as this. [More...](#)

Public Attributes

int **OpChannel**

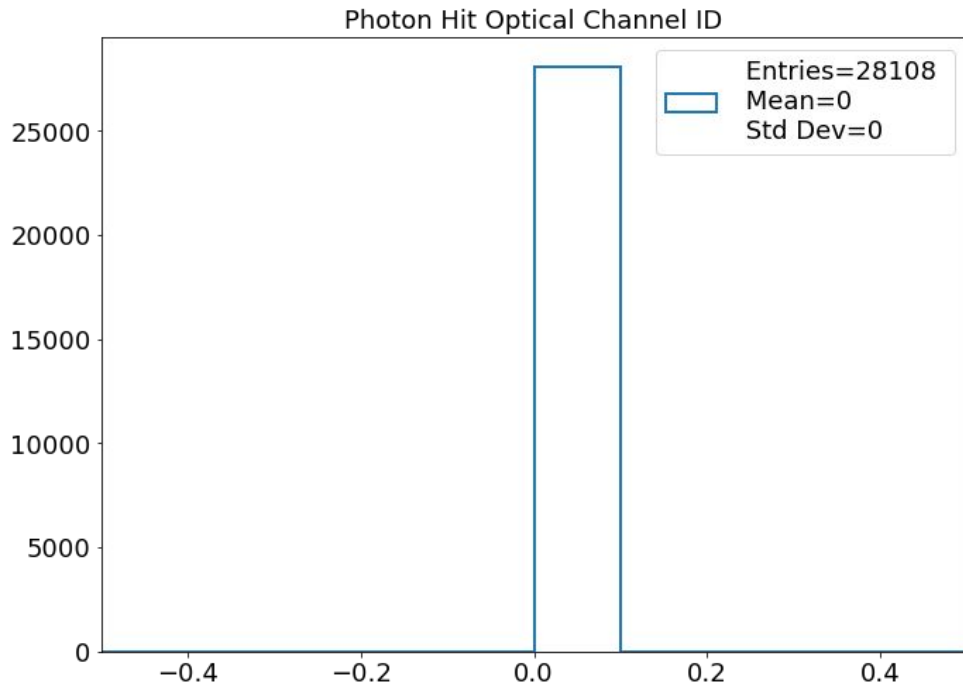
Optical detector channel associated to this data. [More...](#)

std::map< int, int > **DetectedPhotons**

Number of photons detected at each given time: time tick -> photons. [More...](#)

- LArSoft does not use true hit information to digitize the signal of the optical channels.
- We need another object: SimPhotonsLite.
- This object contains the number of detected photons per time tick **for each optical channel**.
- Need a **new module** to **translate** from PhotonHits to SimPhotonsLite.

New hiccup:



- The current geometry makes copies of a generic PMT/XArapuca geometry without differentiating their IDs.
- We need their IDs to translate from PhotonHits to SimPhotonsLite.
- We have to change the geometry file and define one by one each PMT/XArapuca.

New hiccup:

```
<volume name="volPMT6">
  <materialref ref="LAR"/>
  <solidref ref="PMTVolume"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="SensDet" auxvalue="SimEnergyDeposit"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="StepLimit" auxvalue="0.01" unit="mm"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="Efield" auxvalue="0."/>
  <physvol>
    <volumeref ref="vol_PMT_Back"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Back" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-51"/>
  </physvol>
  <physvol copynumber="6">
    <volumeref ref="volOpDetSensitive"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Underside" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-48.5"/>
  </physvol>
  <physvol>
    <volumeref ref="vol_PMT_in"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Underside" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-48.5"/>
  </physvol>
</volume>
<volume name="volPMT7">
  <materialref ref="LAR"/>
  <solidref ref="PMTVolume"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="SensDet" auxvalue="SimEnergyDeposit"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="StepLimit" auxvalue="0.01" unit="mm"/>
  <auxiliary auxtype="Efield" auxvalue="0."/>
  <physvol>
    <volumeref ref="vol_PMT_Back"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Back" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-51"/>
  </physvol>
  <physvol copynumber="7">
    <volumeref ref="volOpDetSensitive"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Underside" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-48.5"/>
  </physvol>
  <physvol>
    <volumeref ref="vol_PMT_in"/>
    <position name="pos_PMT_Underside" unit="mm" x="0" y="0" z="-48.5"/>
  </physvol>
</volume>
```

- New geometry file containing 312 independent optical channels with their corresponding IDs.
- We are ready to implement the new module that translates from PhotonHits to SimPhotonsLite.

New module:

```
void sim::HitLiteConverter::produce(art::Event& e)
{
    unsigned int nOpChannels = 312;

    std::unique_ptr<std::vector<sim::SimPhotonsLite>> photLiteCol(new std::vector<sim::SimPhotonsLite>{});

    auto& photonLiteCollection(*photLiteCol);

    photonLiteCollection.resize(nOpChannels);

    for (unsigned int i = 0; i < nOpChannels; ++i) {
        photonLiteCollection[i].OpChannel = i;
        // std::cout<< "Optical Channel" << photonLiteCollection[i].OpChannel << std::endl;
    }

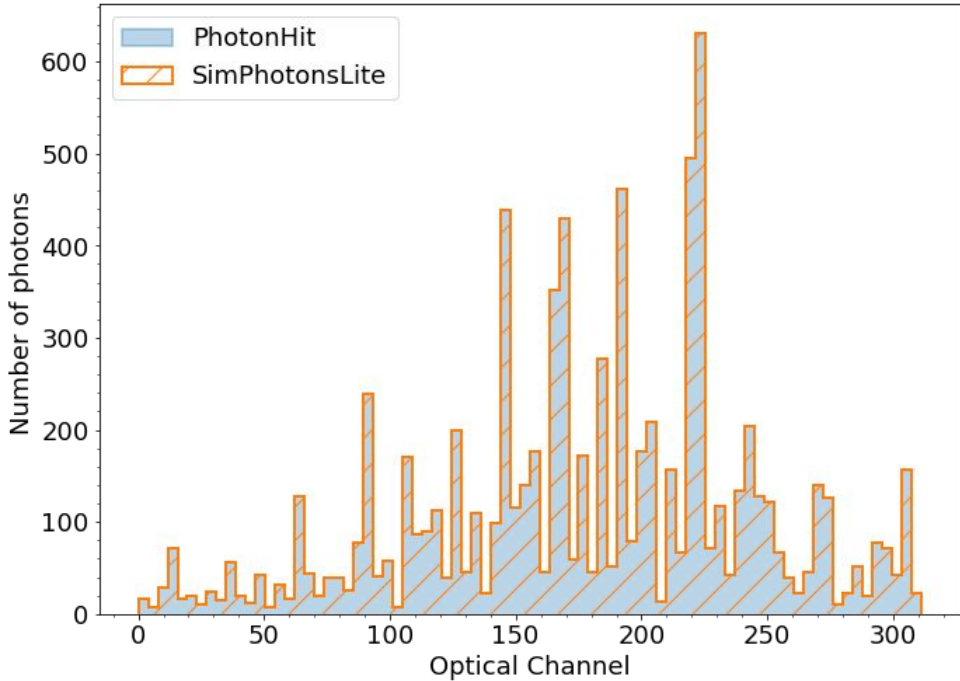
    // Implementation of required member function here.

    typedef std::vector<art::Handle<artg4tk::PhotonHitCollection>> HandleVector;
    auto allSims = e.getMany<artg4tk::PhotonHitCollection>();
    std::cout << "Im fine 4" << std::endl;

    for (HandleVector::const_iterator i = allSims.begin(); i != allSims.end(); ++i) {
        const artg4tk::PhotonHitCollection& sims(**i);
        for (artg4tk::PhotonHitCollection::const_iterator j = sims.begin(); j != sims.end(); ++j) {
            const artg4tk::PhotonHit& hit = *j;
            auto time = static_cast<int>(hit.GetTime());
            auto channel = static_cast<unsigned int>(hit.GetID());
            ++photonLiteCollection[channel].DetectedPhotons[time];
        }
    }
}
```

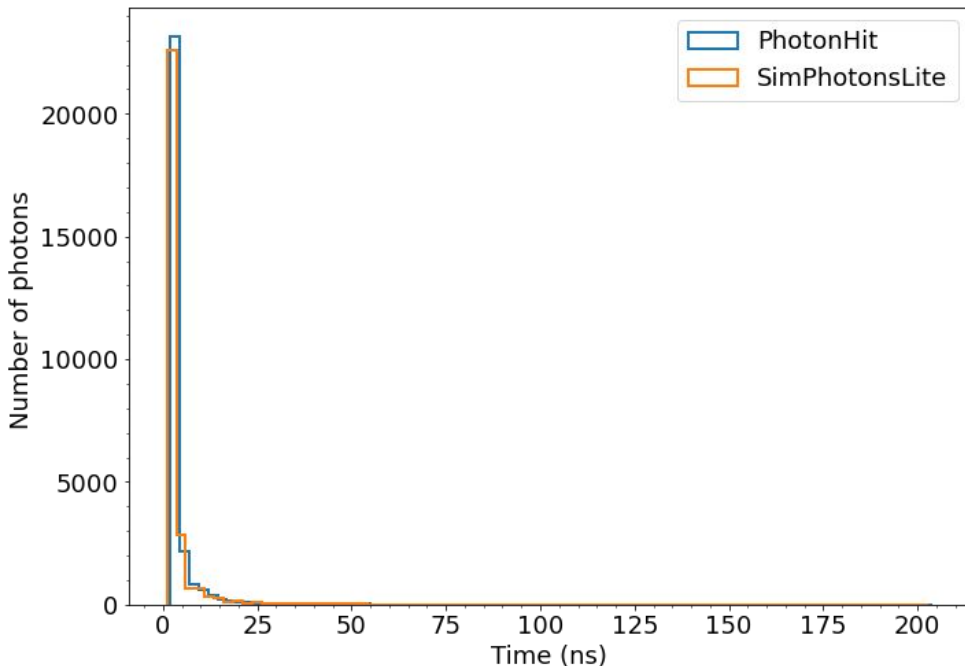
- New module: HitLiteConverter
- Reads PhotonHit information, creates SimPhotonsLite object and inserts it into the root file.

Module output:



- As expected the IDs distribution is identical (overlapped) for PhotonHits and SimPhotonsLite.

Module output:



- Time distributions are not overlapping because both objects have different sensitivity.
- SimPhotonsLite contains photons per time tick (1 TTick = 2ns).

Next tasks:

- Some minor things to deal with:
 - Find the best way to **accommodate full simulations** within the LArSoft workflow. We do not want to allow full and fast simulations to run at the same time.
 - Geometry changes require some tedious changes in the configuration fhicl and produce a lengthy terminal output.
- Contact Fermilab's expert to find a **definite solution** to the LArG4 issue.
- Check exhaustively the full simulation along with the new module:
 - Compare the result of the full simulations with the fast simulation and make sure it makes sense.