Guide to MWPC Simulation in Garfield++

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1 What the Simulations Do

Allow the user to simulate the potential, field, and signal outputs of MW-PCs (Multi-Wire Proportional Chambers) using the Garfield++ software. Access the GitLab repository *here*. See *User Guide* for prerequisites and steps to install Garfield++. These simulations can be used to test a variety of MWPC configurations and compare their performances based on output signal amplitudes and shapes.

1.1 Additional Resources for Garfield++

- \bullet Garfield++ Home
- Examples
- GitLab

2 MWPC Configurations

All MWPCs have the following properties:

- 10 cm x 10 cm active area.
- Anode wire layer made out of 100 conducting wires with 20 μ m thickness and 1 mm interval. Signals are draws from these anode wires.
- Cathode layer made of either:
 - $-25 \mu m$ thick conducting foil, or
 - 100 conducting wires with 25 μ m thickness and 1 mm interval.
- Anode layer set to 0 V (grounded) and cathode layer set to 3000-4000 V.
- Adjacent layers are separated by 5 mm (i.e. 3 mm thick window with 2 mm thick spacer) to prevent sparking.

The 4 configurations we wish to test differ in the number of cathode layers and their geometry (foils vs wires). This is shown in Figure 1. The 4 simulation files are named as:

- config10ldFoil5LayerMWPC.C
- config2DWCWire6LayerMWPC.C
- config3NewWire5LayerMWPC.C
- config4Foil6LayerMWPC.C

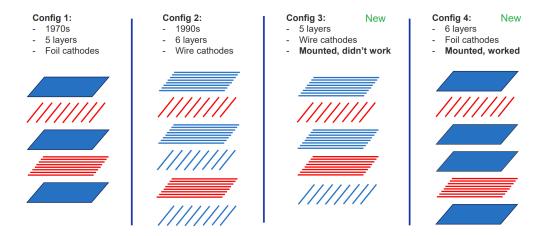


Figure 1: Config 1 has 3 cathode foils (traditional MWPC), Config 2 has 4 cathode wire planes (DWC - Delay Wire Chamber), Config 3 has 3 cathode wire planes, and Config 4 has 4 cathode foils.

3 Code

This section outlines the code in files generate. C and config10ldFoil5LayerMWPC. C with reference to each block and their functions. All codes are written in C/C++.

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In generate.C, create

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Allow for a comparison of position tracking capabilities.

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