



SoftWare for the Optimization of Radiation Detectors (SWORD)

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SWORD Motivation



- Simulation allows evaluating and optimizing performance before devoting resources to creating an instrument
- Typically, simulation has been an exercise for the expert user
- SWORD attempts to bring the power of simulation to everyday users





SWORD Motivation



- What it looks like in GEANT4 ...

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particleName );

G4VPhysicalVolume const* pCurrentVolume = pTrack->GetVolume();
G4String currentVolumeName = pCurrentVolume->GetName();
TVolumeId currentVolumeId = gVolumeRepository->getVolumeId( convertFromString< size_t >( currentVolumeName ) );

track.setVolumeName( currentVolumeId.getName() );

const G4StepPoint* g4PreStepPoint = stepData->GetPreStepPoint();
const G4ThreeVector g4PreStepPos = g4PreStepPoint->GetPosition();
TPoint preStepPoint( g4PreStepPos.getX()/cm, g4PreStepPos.getY()/cm, g4PreStepPos.getZ()/cm );
preStepPoint.setEnergy( g4PreStepPoint->GetKineticEnergy() / keV );
preStepPoint.setTime( g4PreStepPoint->GetGlobalTime()/s );
track.setPreStepPoint( preStepPoint );

const G4StepPoint* g4PostStepPoint = stepData->GetPostStepPoint();
const G4ThreeVector g4PostStepPos = g4PostStepPoint->GetPosition();
TPoint postStepPoint( g4PostStepPos.getX()/cm, g4PostStepPos.getY()/cm, g4PostStepPos.getZ()/cm );
postStepPoint.setEnergy( g4PostStepPoint->GetKineticEnergy() / keV );
postStepPoint.setTime( g4PostStepPoint->GetGlobalTime()/s );
track.setPostStepPoint( postStepPoint );

uint64_t eventNumber = runManager.getCurrentEventNumber();
if( gDetectorRepository.isDetector( currentVolumeId ) ) {
    gEventRepository.saveEvent( eventNumber );
}

if( gEventRepository.loggingSupportedParticlesOnly() ) {
    if( gParticleNames.isSupported( particleName ) ) {
        if( gEventRepository.loggingDetectorHitsOnly() ) {
            if( gDetectorRepository.isDetector( currentVolumeId ) ) {
                gEventRepository.addTrack( eventNumber, track );
            } else {
                G4VPhysicalVolume const* pNextVolume = pTrack->GetNextVolume();
                if( pNextVolume != 0 ) {
                    G4String nextVolumeName = pCurrentVolume->GetName();
                    TVolumeId nextVolumeId = gVolumeRepository->getVolumeId( convertFromString< size_t >( nextVolumeName ) );
                    if( gDetectorRepository.isDetector( nextVolumeId ) ) {
                        gEventRepository.addTrack( eventNumber, track );
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
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SWORD Motivation



- What it looks like in MCNPX/6 ...

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101 WED -331.665 126 -105.2
-69.63 0 0

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m29 1000 0.46392
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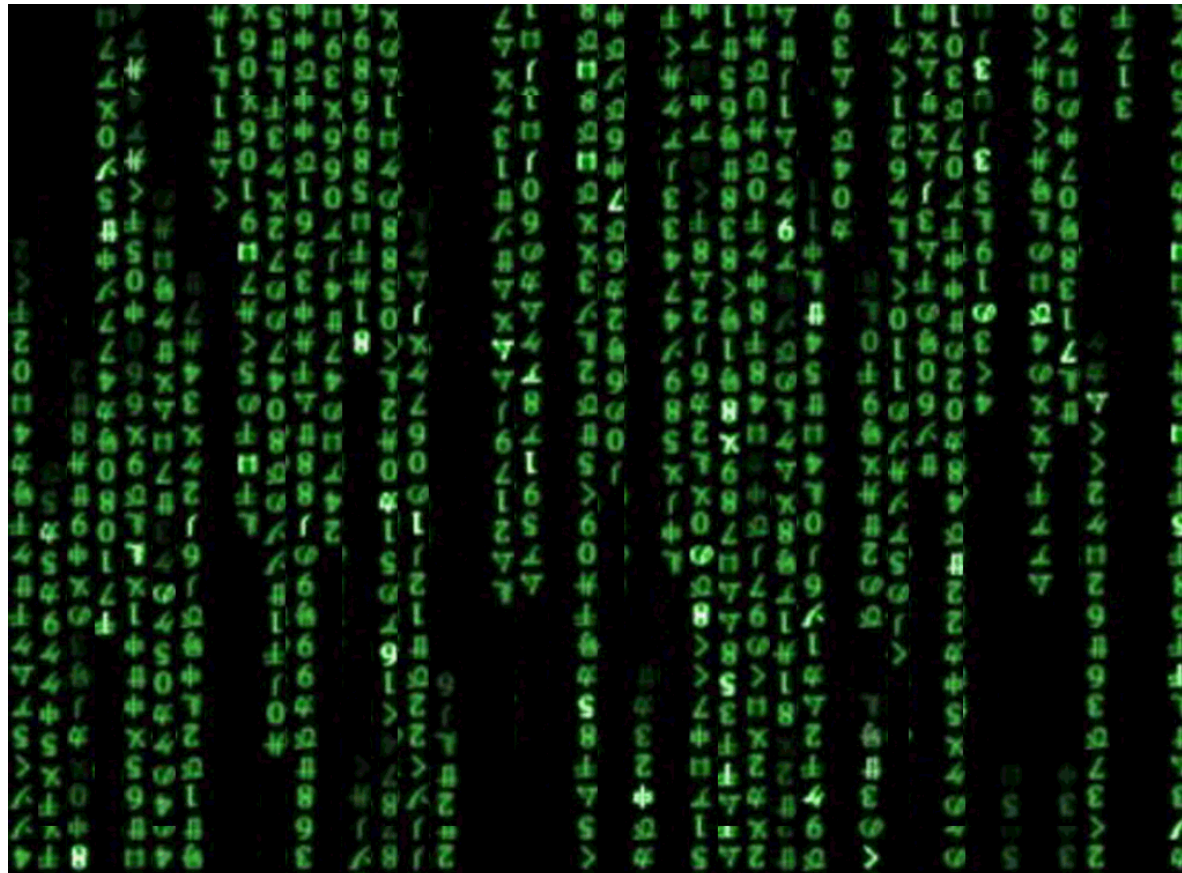
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SWORD Motivation



- What it looks like to the new users ...

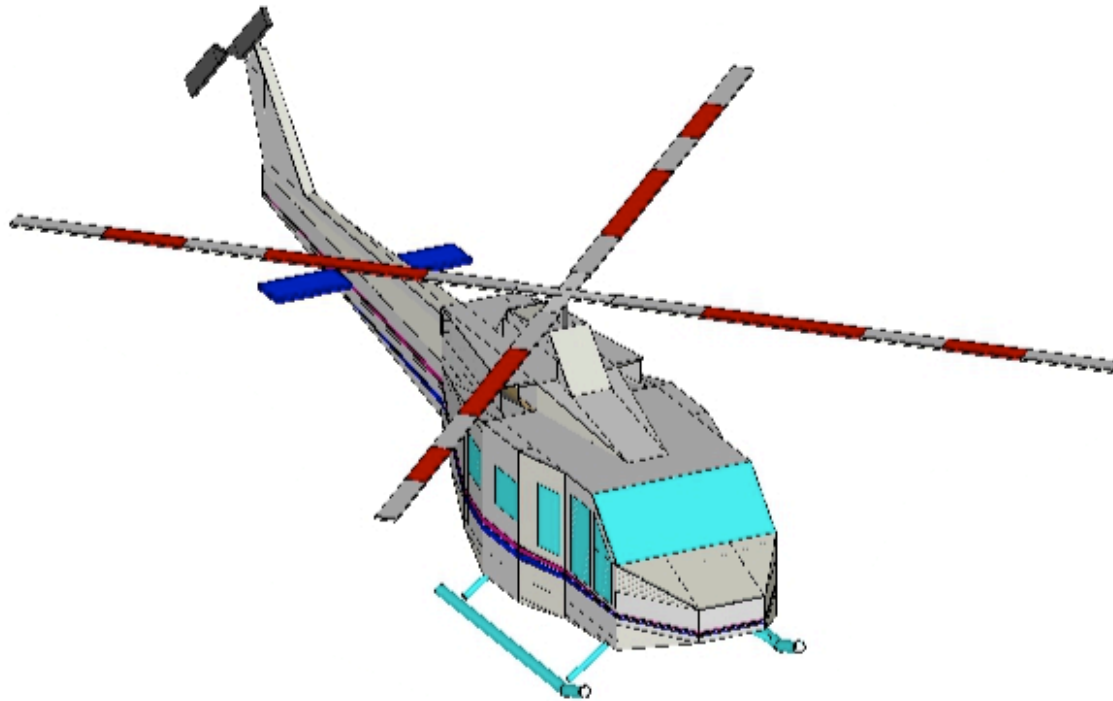




SWORD Motivation



- What you'd really like is ...

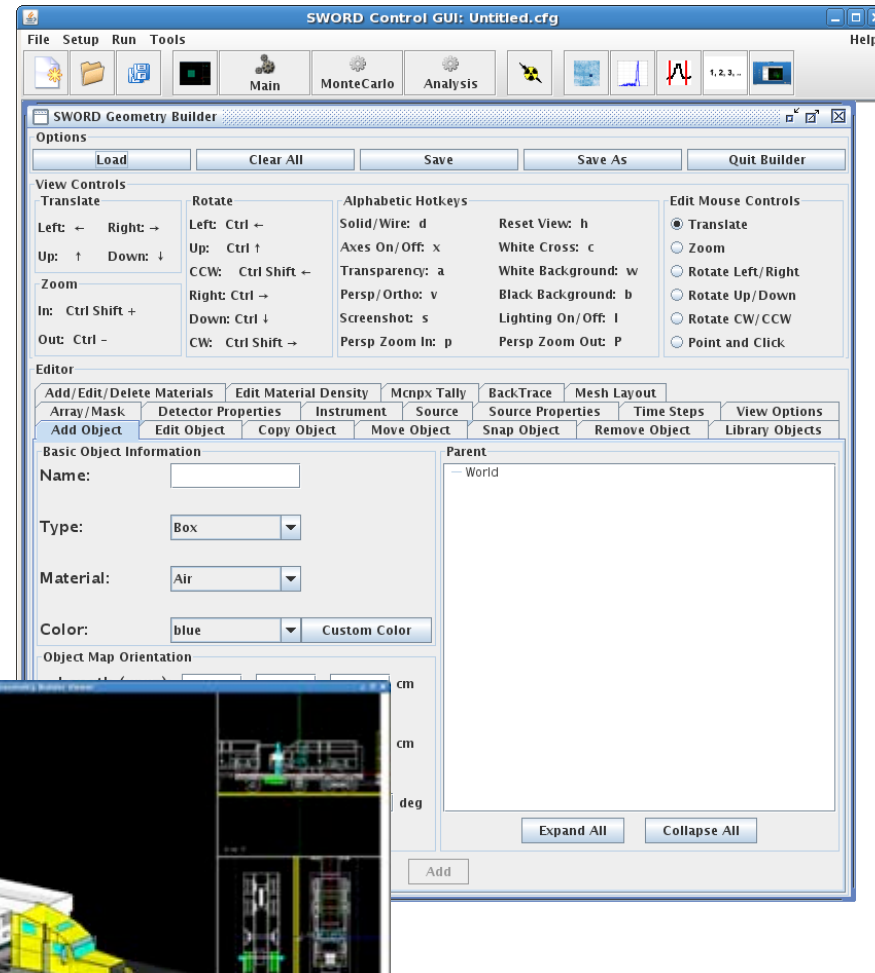




SWORD User Interface



- Graphically set up geometries, sources, detectors
 - Main and Orthogonal Views
 - Wireframe and Solid Rendering
 - Eight primitive shapes
- User can define new materials not included with SWORD
- Add motion to objects

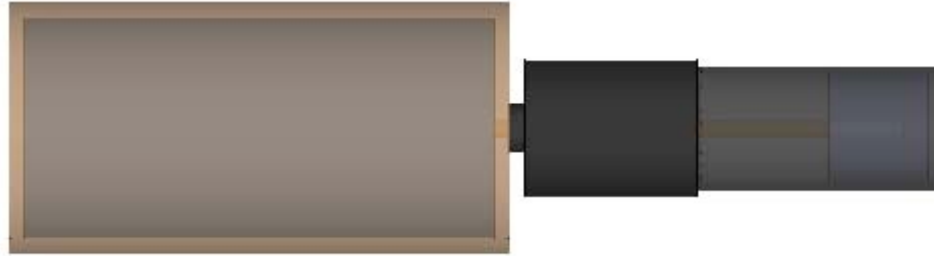




Multiple MC Engines

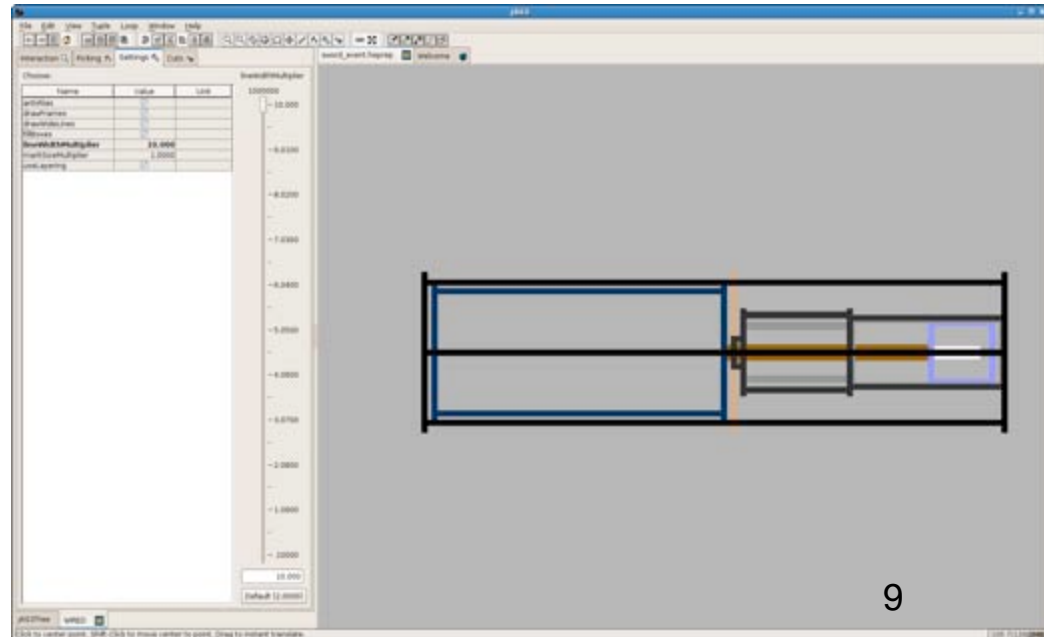
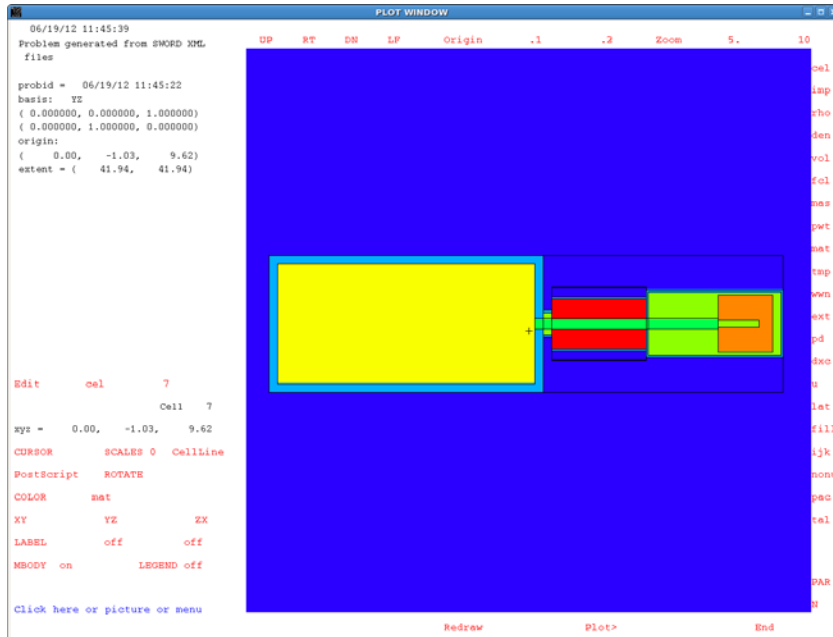


SWORD



MCNPX

GEANT4

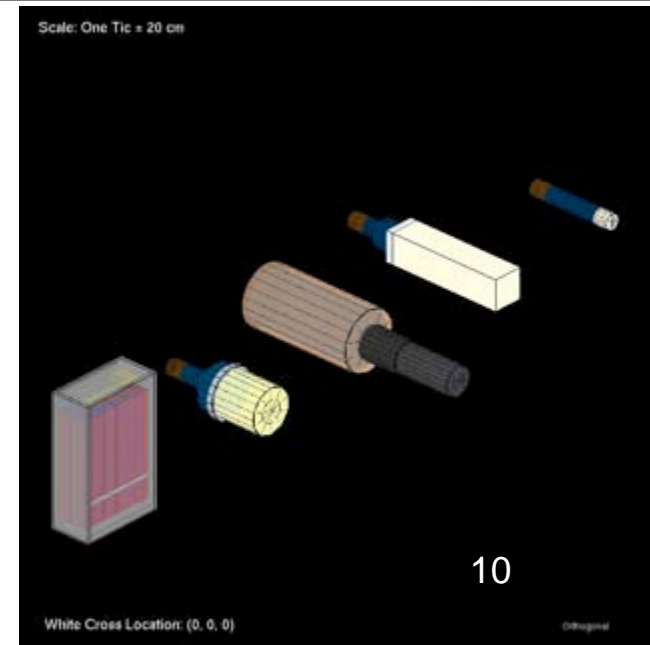




SWORD Standard Library



- Extensive standard library of objects for use in simulations
 - Detectors (neutron, gamma)
 - Vehicles (Land, Sea, Air)
 - Containers
 - Rail cars
 - Environmental Objects
 - Spectra
 - Threat objects
 - NORM backgrounds
 - Medical isotopes
- SWORD library is expandable
 - Objects can be imported into various projects
 - Spectra from sources or backgrounds of interest can be added



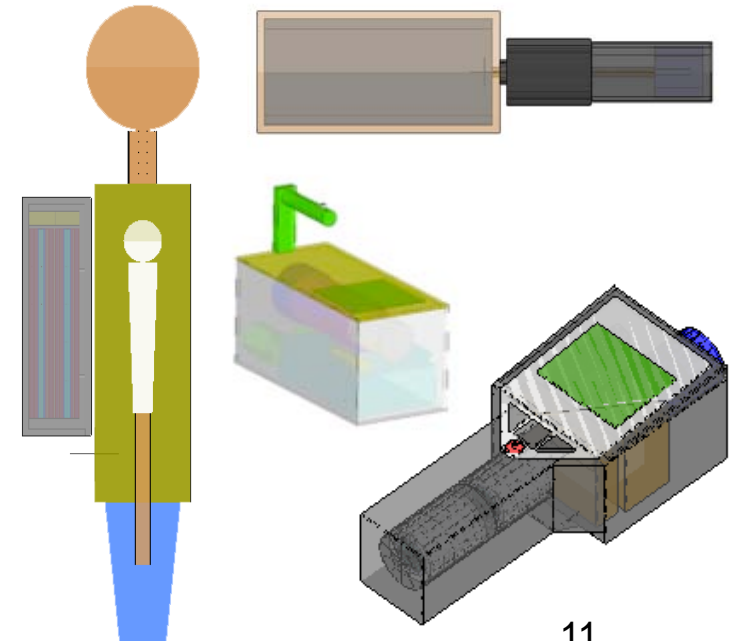
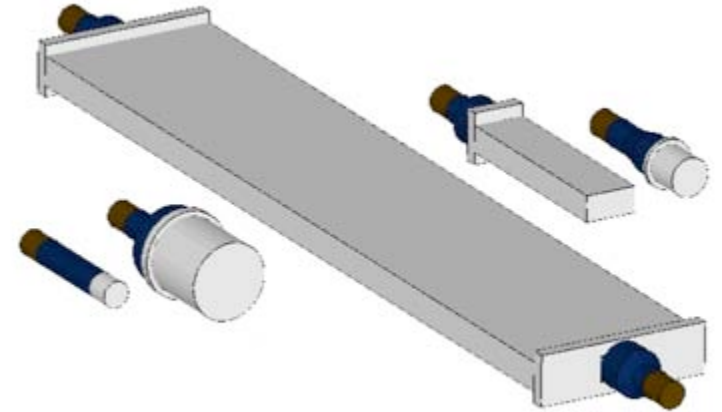


SWORD Standard Library

Commercial Detectors



- Several COTS detectors
 - 3", 6", 4x2x16, 4x4x16 NaI
 - HPGe PopTop
 - identiFinder
 - GR-135+
 - RadPack
 - Plastic Scintillator
 - 2" CLYC



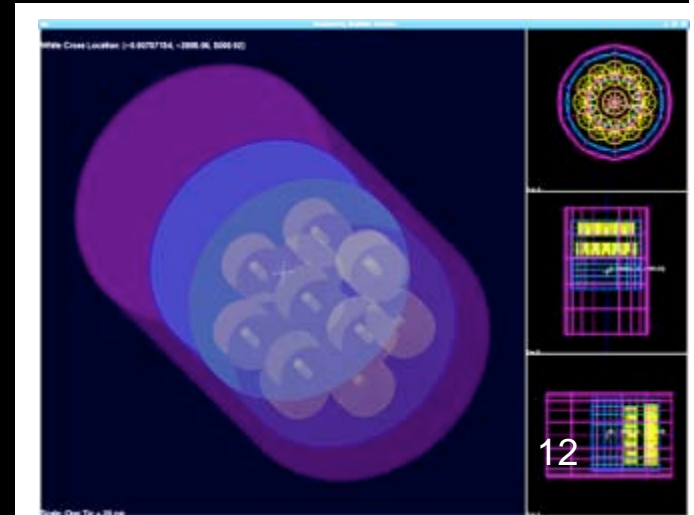
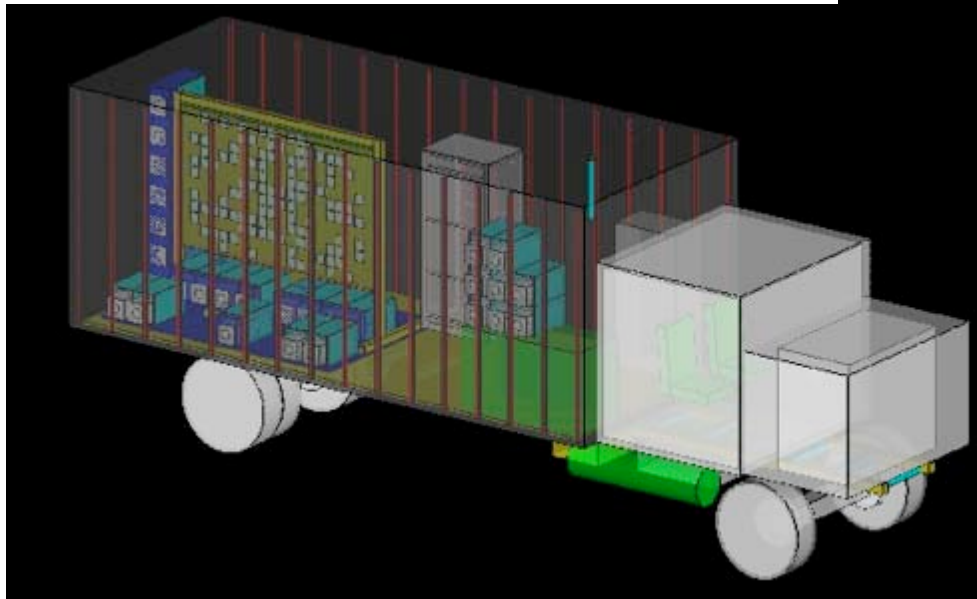
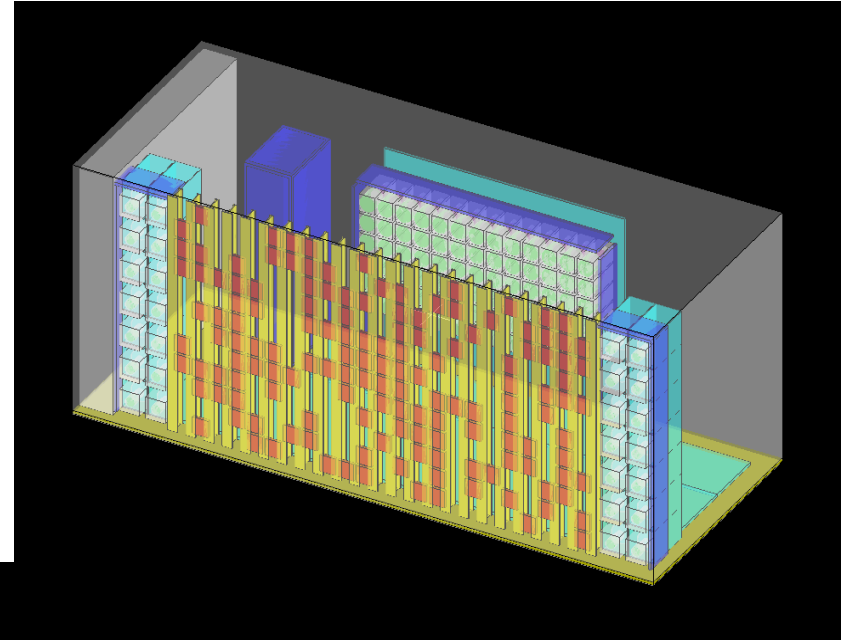


SWORD Standard Library

Specialized Detectors



- MISTI
- SuperMISTI
- MARS



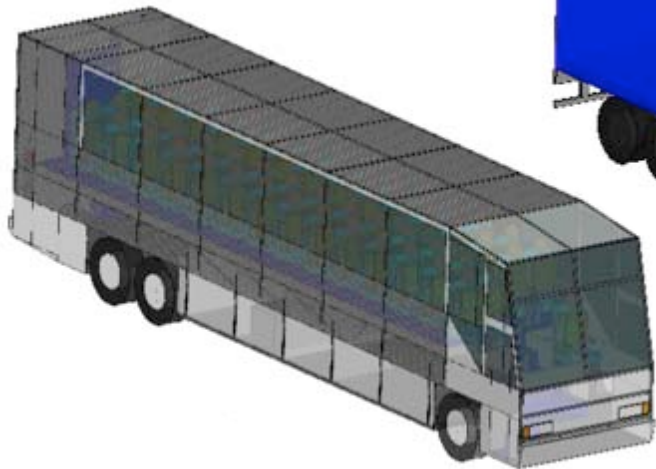
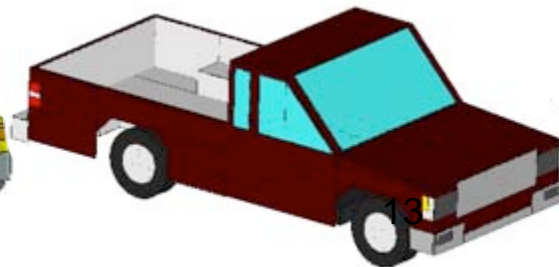
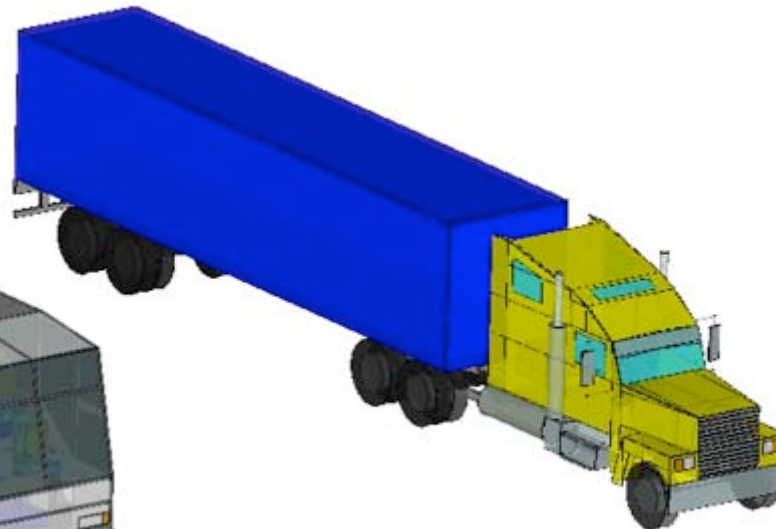
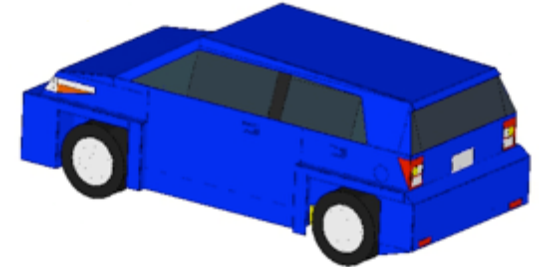
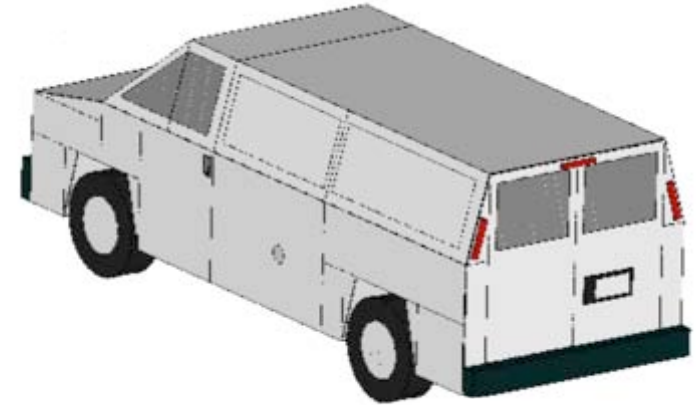


SWORD Standard Library

Land Vehicles



- Tour Bus
- Tractor Trailer
- Pickup Truck
- Compact Car
- Minivan



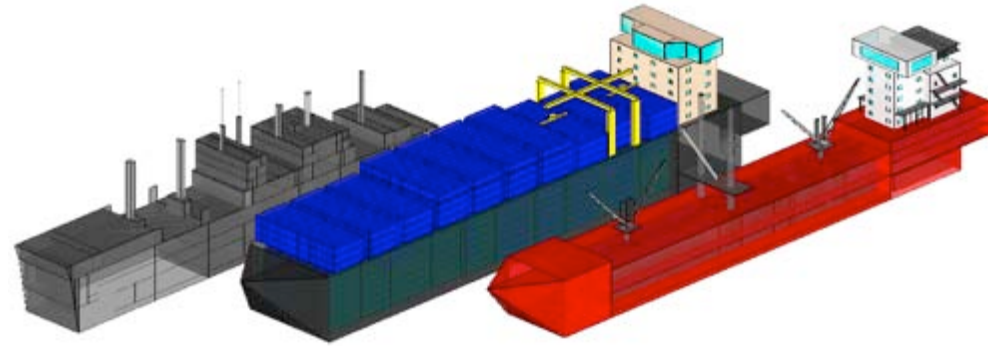


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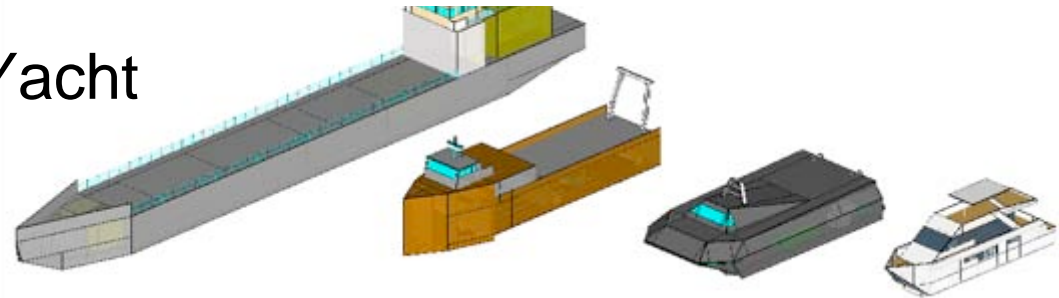
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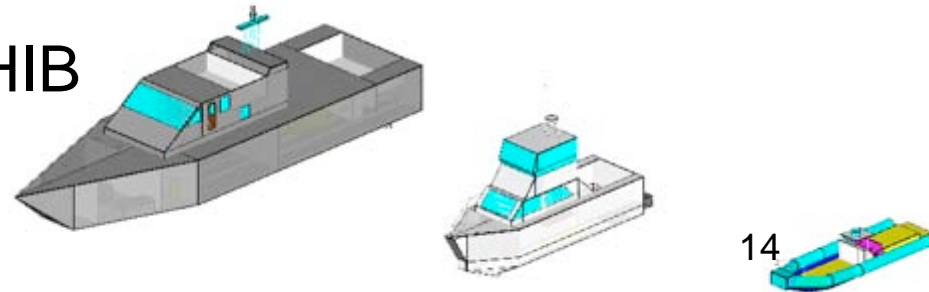
- Chalmers, Titus, Avatar



- Atlas, Diane-G, Stiletto, Yacht



- Guardian, Pacific Venture, RHIB



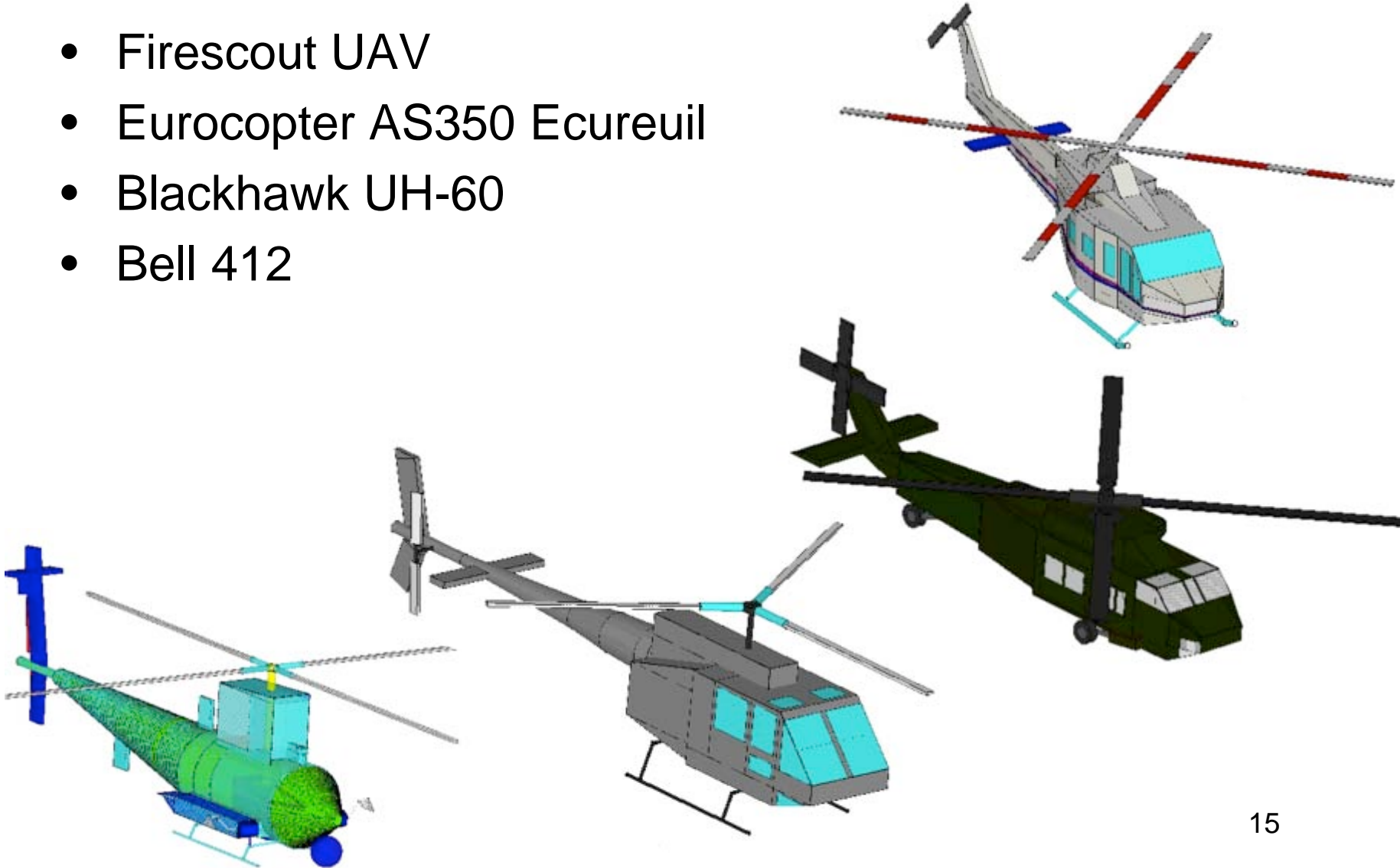


SWORD Standard Library

Helicopters



- Firescout UAV
- Eurocopter AS350 Ecureuil
- Blackhawk UH-60
- Bell 412



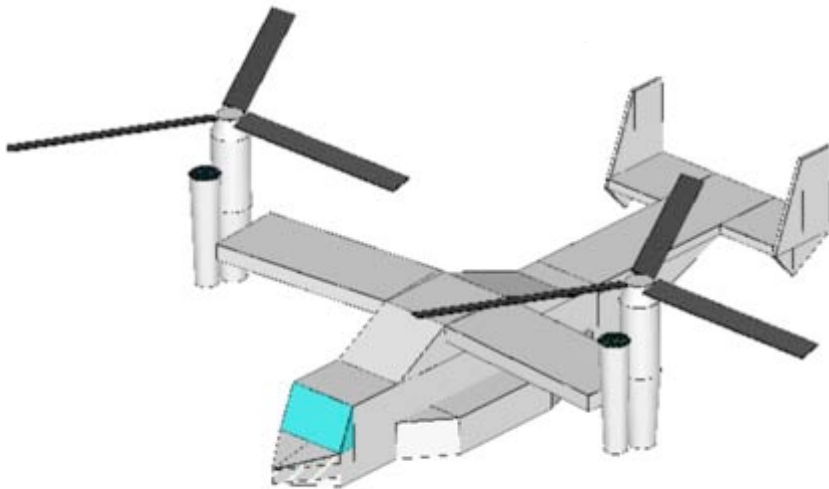
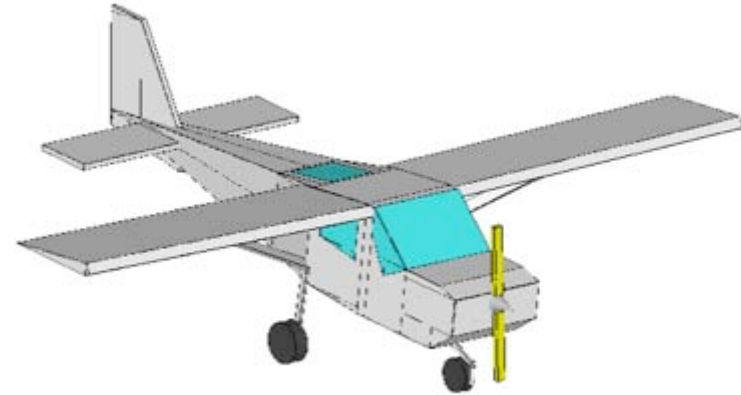


SWORD Standard Library

Aircraft



- Bell Boeing V-22 Osprey
- NASA ER-2
- Cessna Skycatcher



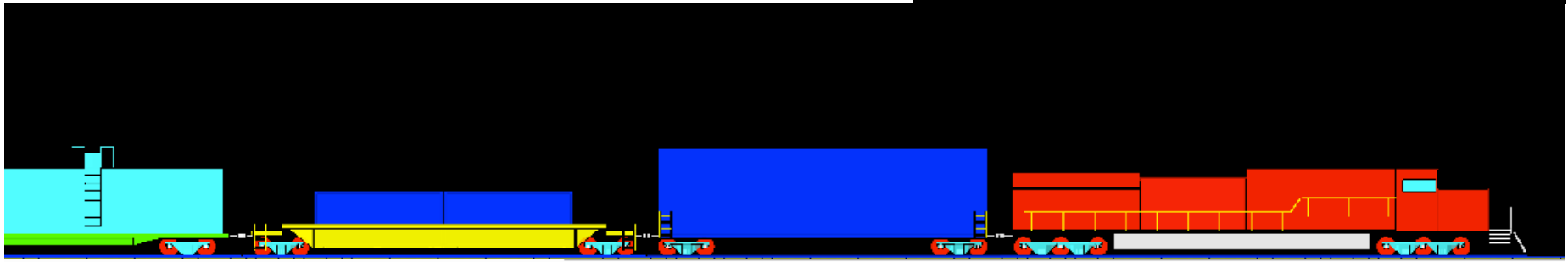
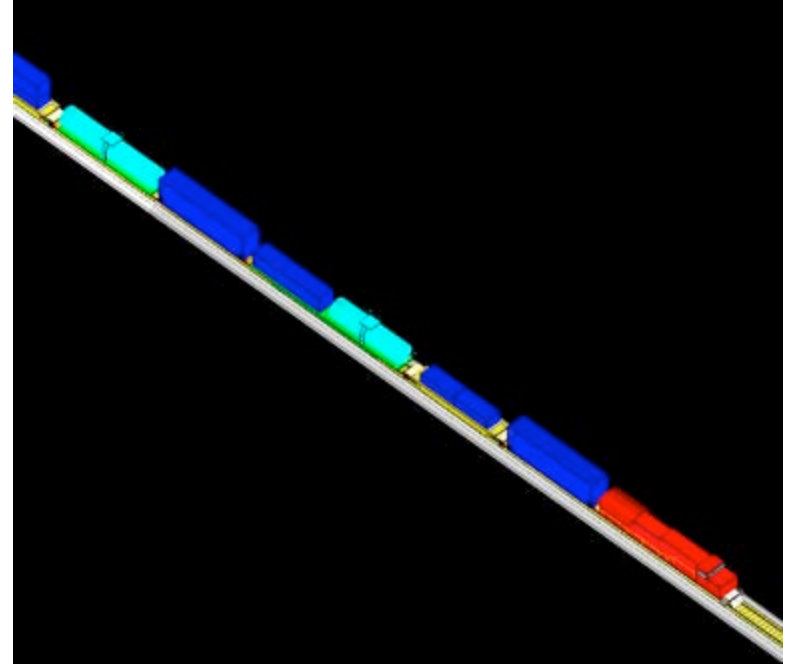


SWORD Standard Library

Rail



- Locomotive
- Box Car
- Well Car
- Gondola
- Tanker

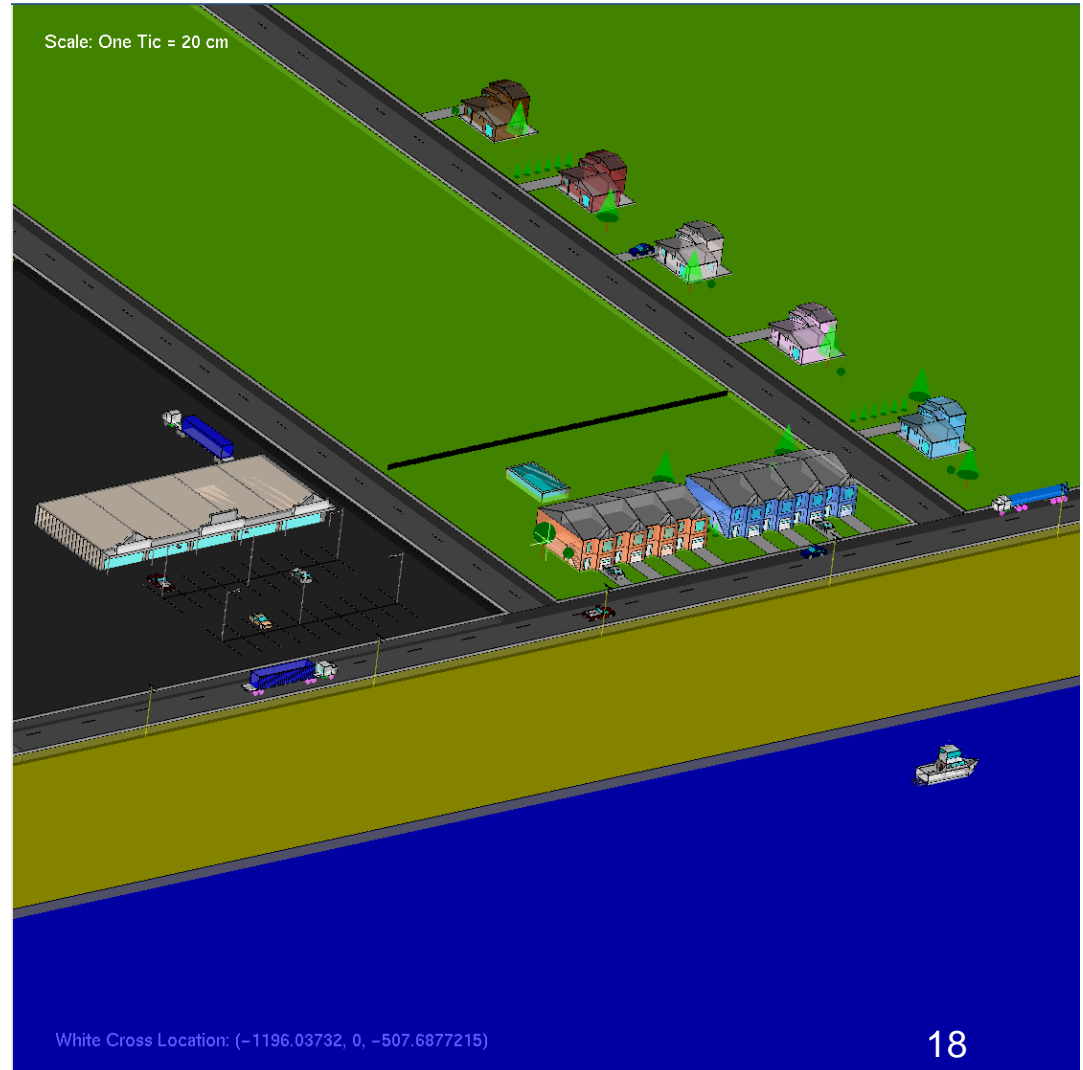




SWORD Standard Library Neighborhood



- Created entire neighborhoods
 - Townhouses
 - Strip Mall
 - Stand alone homes





Library of Background Sources



- Background simulation crucial for simulating instrument performance
- SWORD provides background spectra including
 - Concrete
 - Fresh water
 - Salt water
 - Common cargo found in shipping containers:
 - Fertilizer, limestone, cat litter, brazil nuts
- Developed mechanism for rapid deconvolution of new concrete spectrum given a measured spectrum

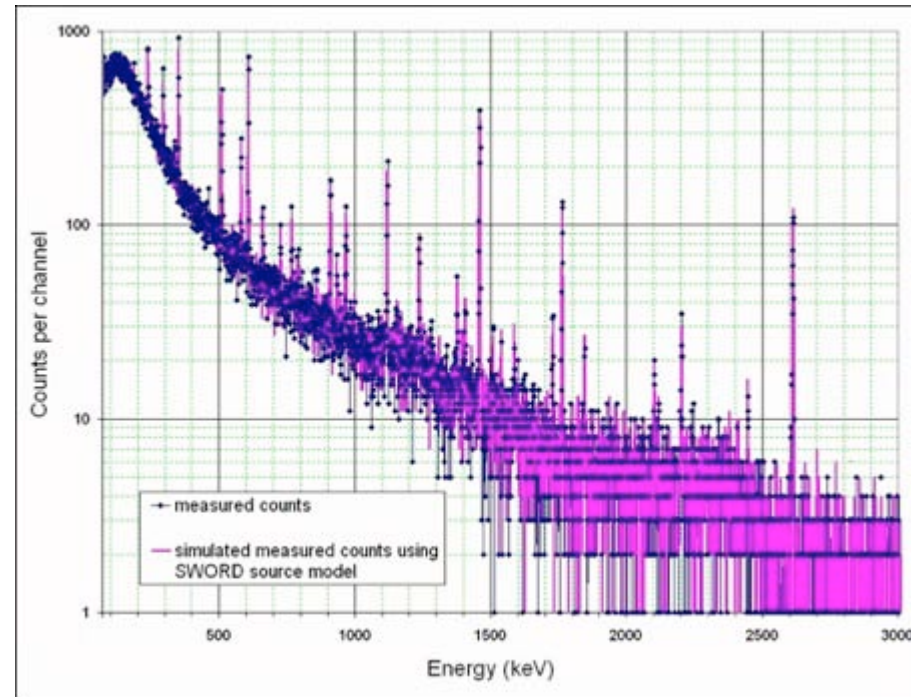


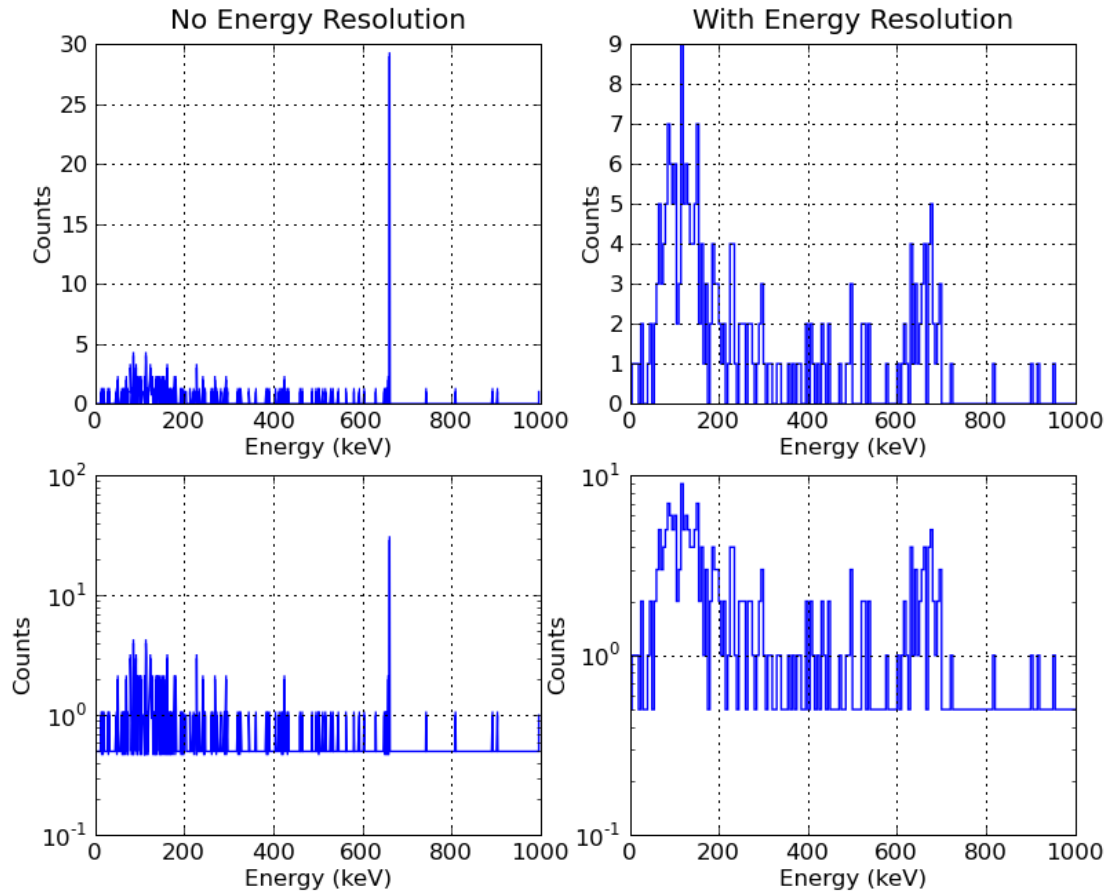
Figure: Simulated spectrum (magenta) vs. detected spectrum using HPGe (blue)



SWORD Analysis



- Spectrum produced in ANSI 42.42 format
- Spectra displayed with and without detector response

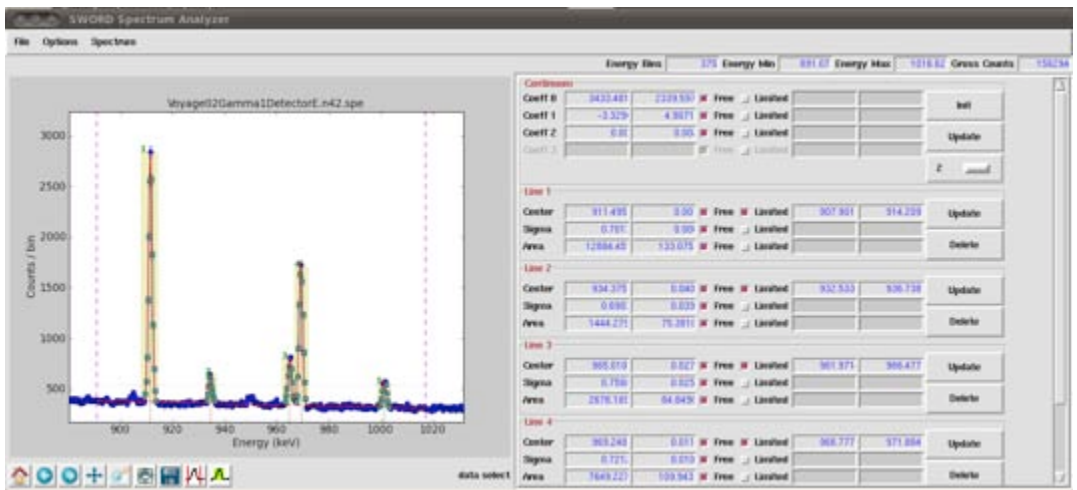
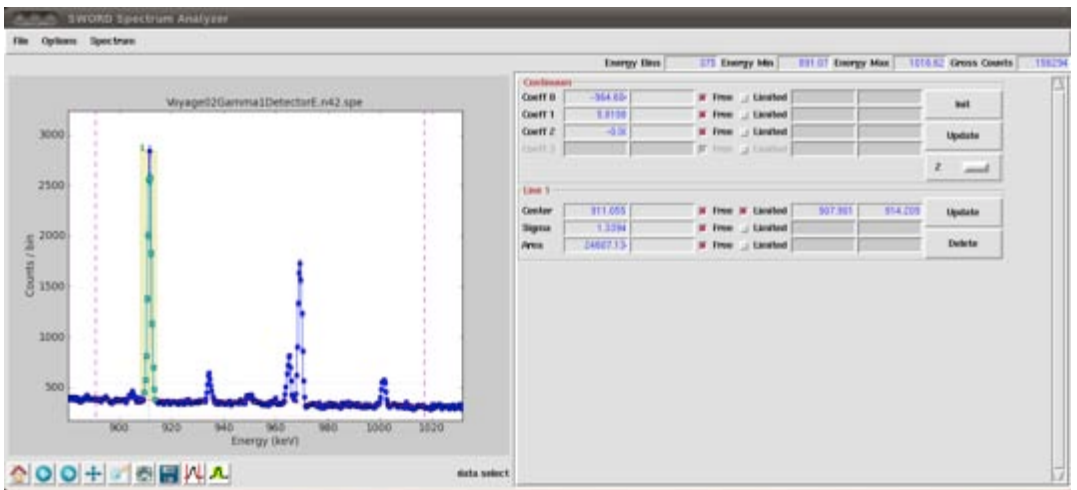




SWORD Analysis



- SpectrumAnalyzer
 - Analyzes spectra from SWORD (or data in .spe or N42.42 format)
 - Line fitting using MPFIT
 - Isotopic line identification

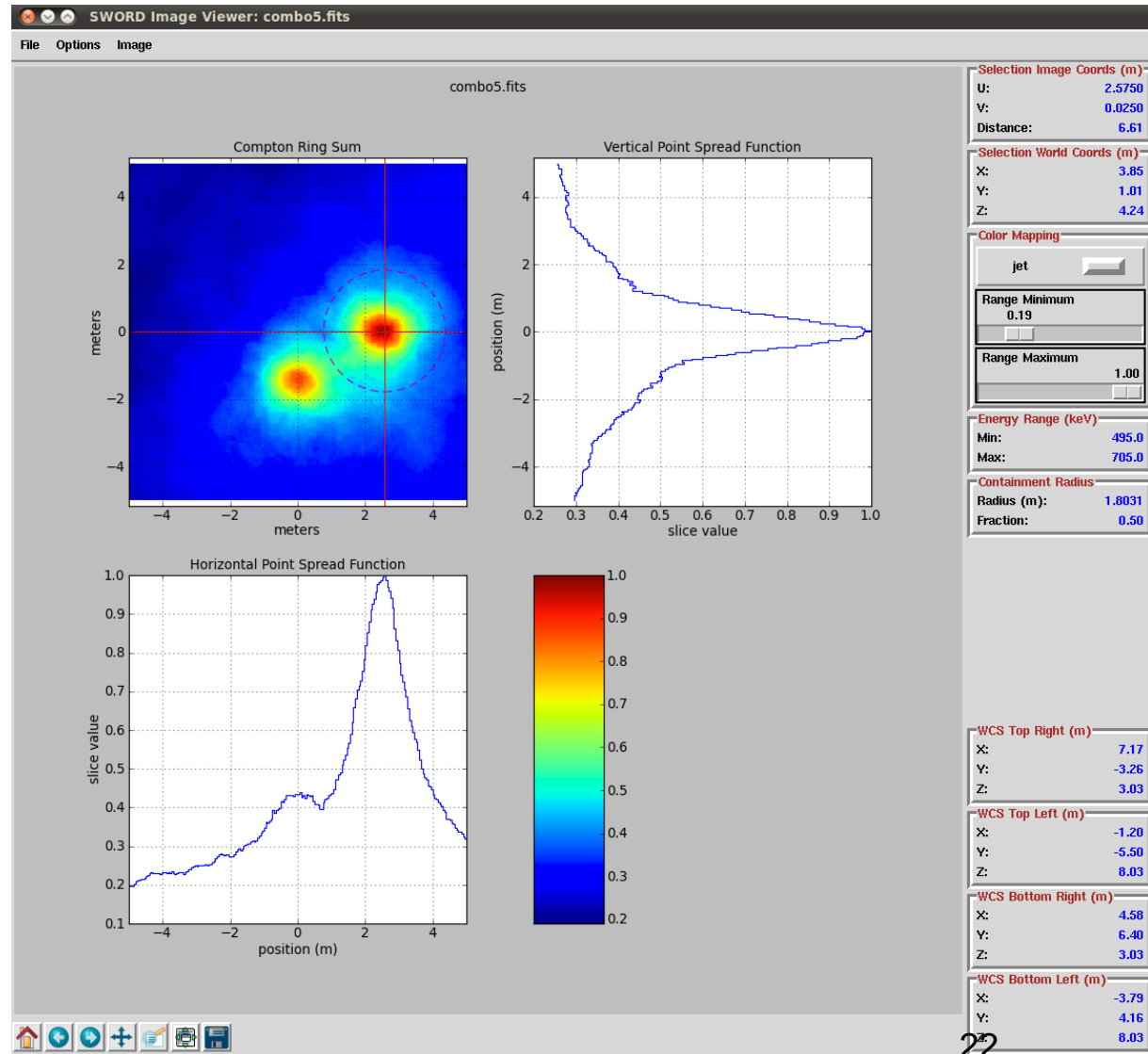




SWORD Analysis



- Images produced in NASA FITS format
- Limited imaging performance analysis
- Can also use standard FITS tools such as SAOImage/DS9 or FV





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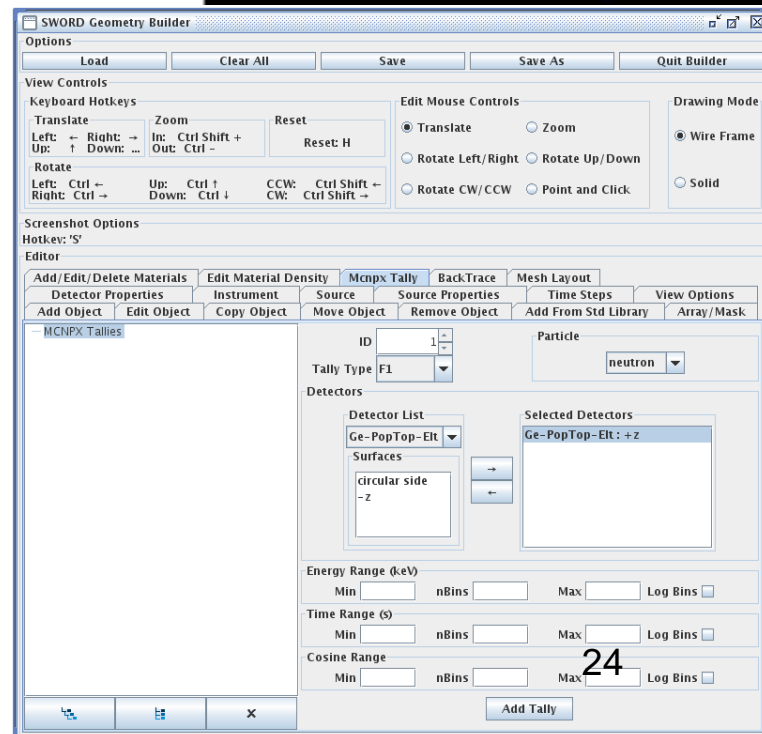
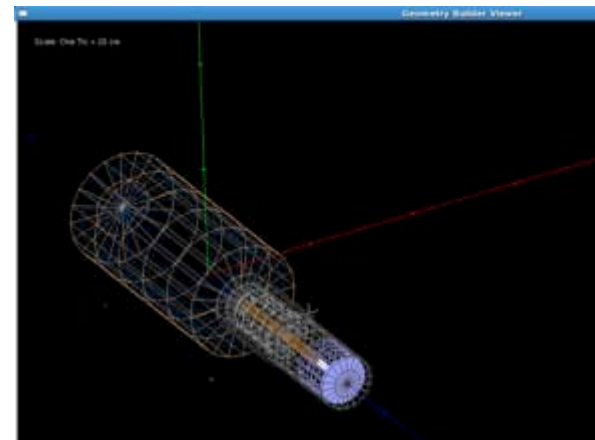




MCNPX/6 Adapters



- Improve integration with MCNPX/6
 - Tallies applied to surfaces (F1, F2) or volumes (F4, F6, F8) for any defined detector
 - Tree-view displays user-defined tallies
 - Energy, Time, Cosine ranges and particle type may be defined
- Results viewable using SWORD analysis tools
- Working on mesh tallies, auto-funneling of tallies and “physics wizard”

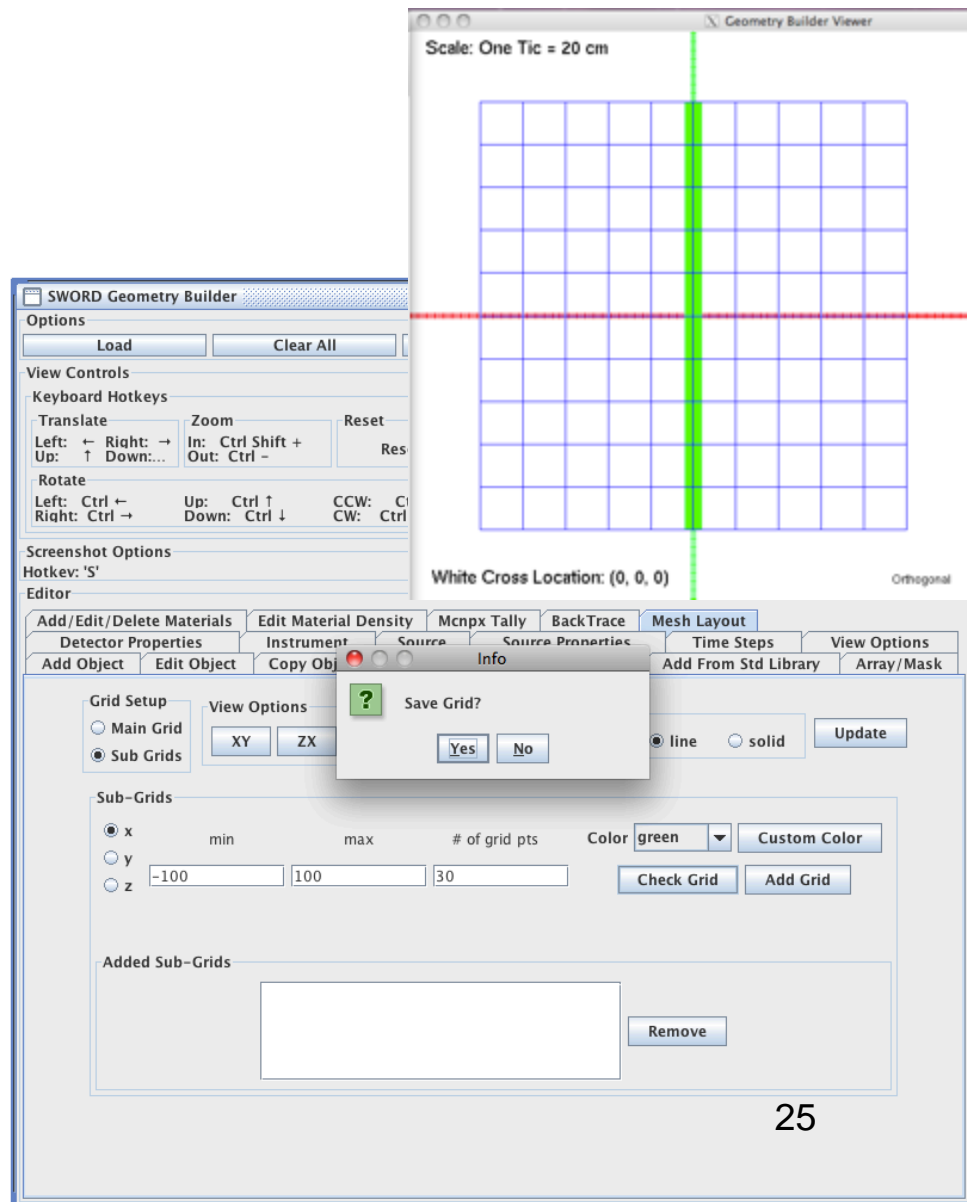




ADVANTG



- Automated VARIance reduction Generator (ADVANTG)
 - Developed at ORNL
 - Automatically generated weight-window map for use in MCNP
- Uses ORNL deterministic code (Denovo) to generate weight-windows
 - Can also be used as front end to simulate scenarios deterministically

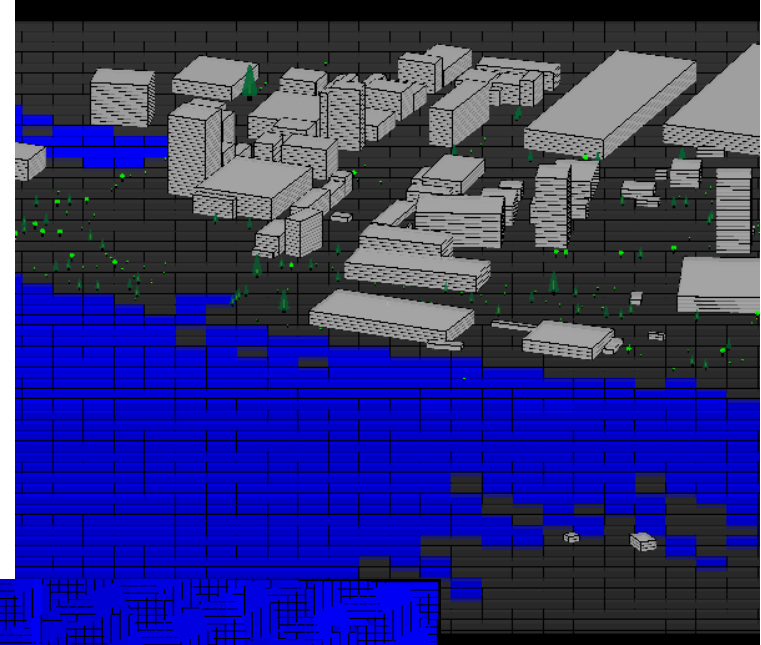




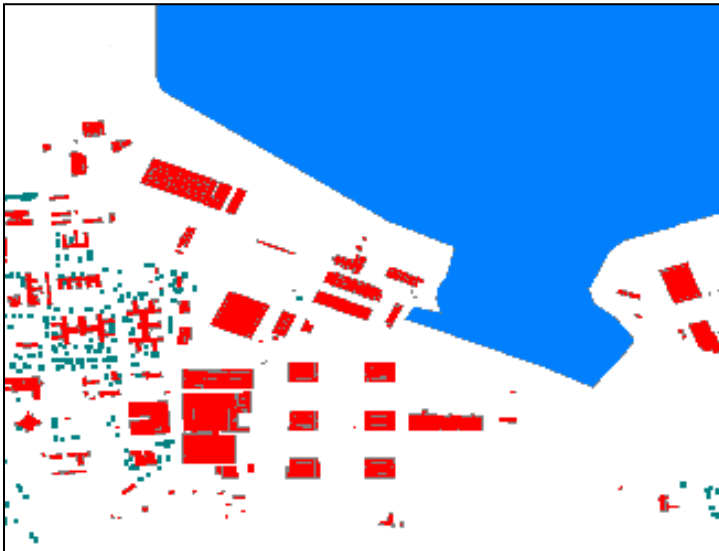
Simulating Cities



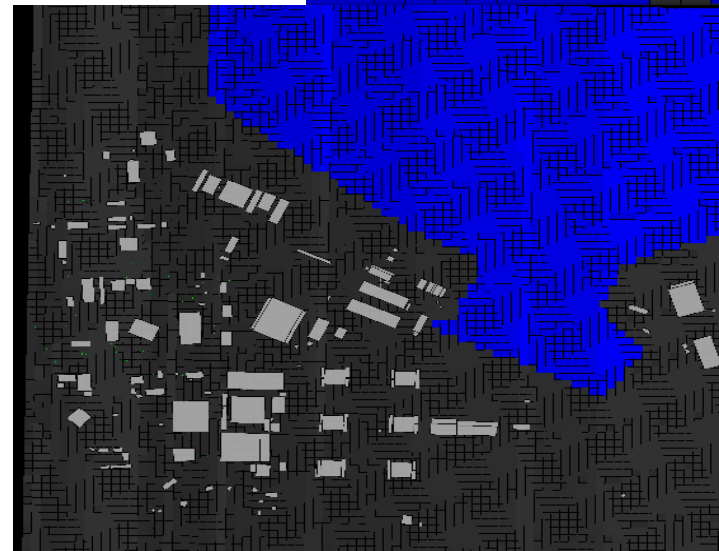
- NRL has developed capabilities to ingest the GIS database of entire cities for use in simulation
 - Building, Elevation, Water, and Trees



GIS



SWORD

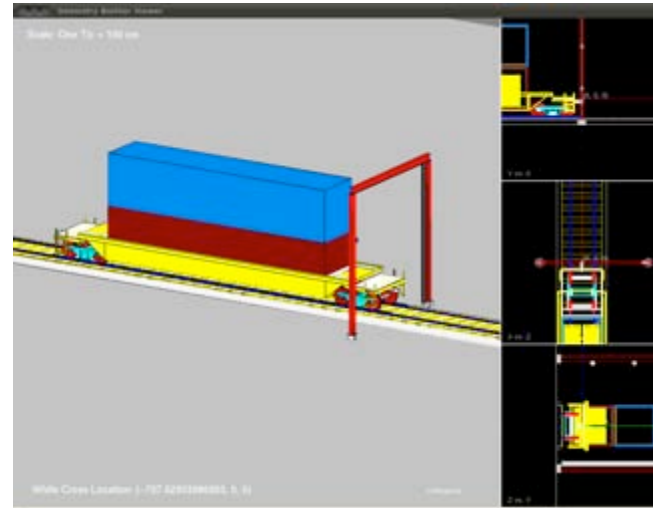




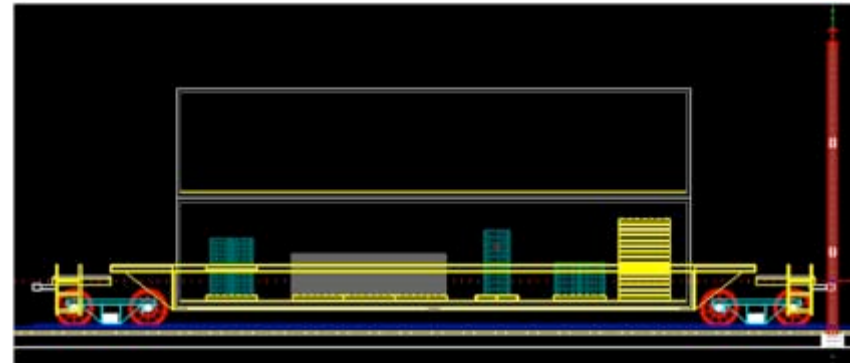
Railroad Radiography



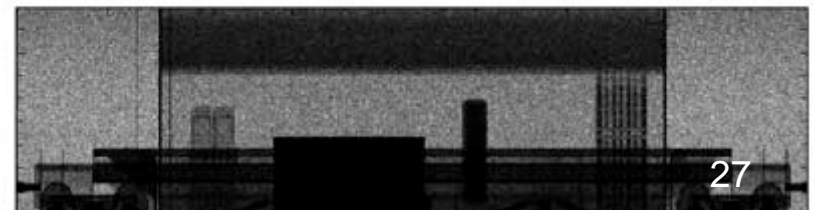
- Simulate radiography with SWORD
- Uses built-in moving objects capability
- Extensive CPU resources may be required



SWORD radiography setup



Simulated radiographic image

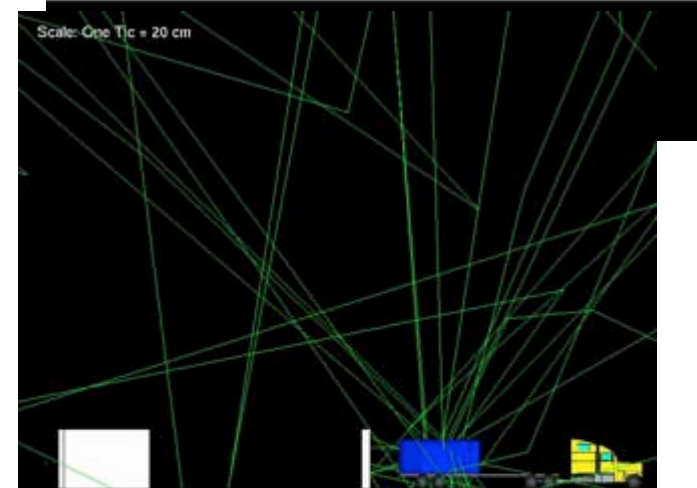
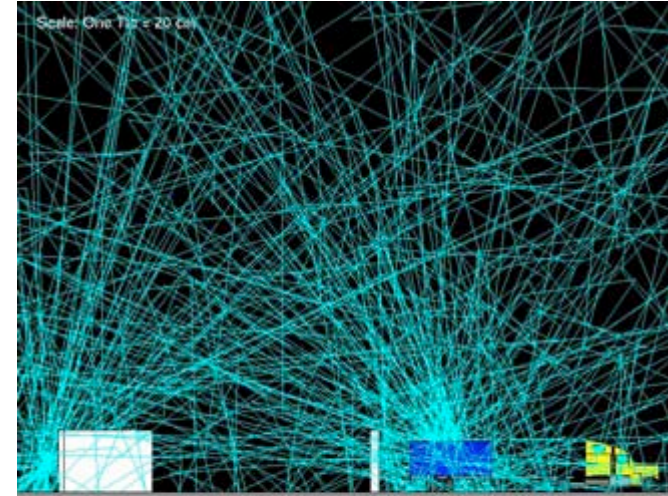




Backtrace



- Backtrace shows the tracks where an interaction occurred in a defined detector
 - Includes energy, particle species, and time information
 - Currently only works with GEANT4
- Example with neutron source
 - 1e6 neutrons fired isotropically from a point source
 - Detector array in a container, on a truck
 - Top Right: cyan tracks show the neutrons that interacted in the detector
 - Bottom Right: green tracks show secondary photons that interact in the detector

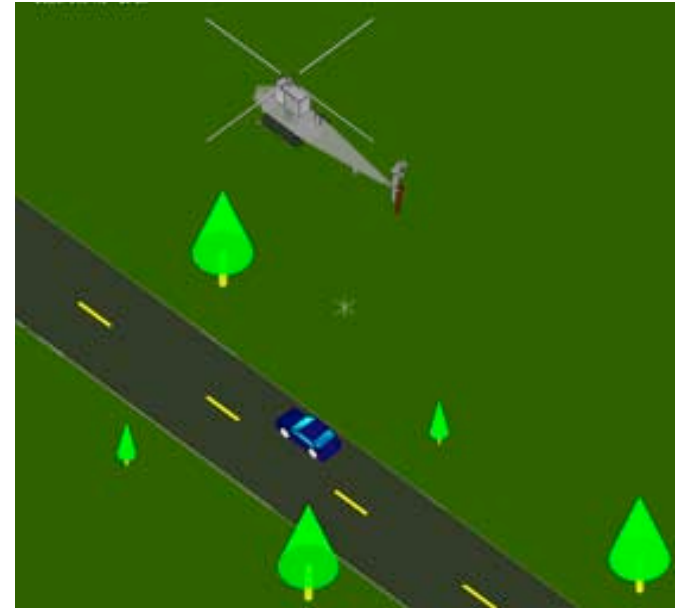




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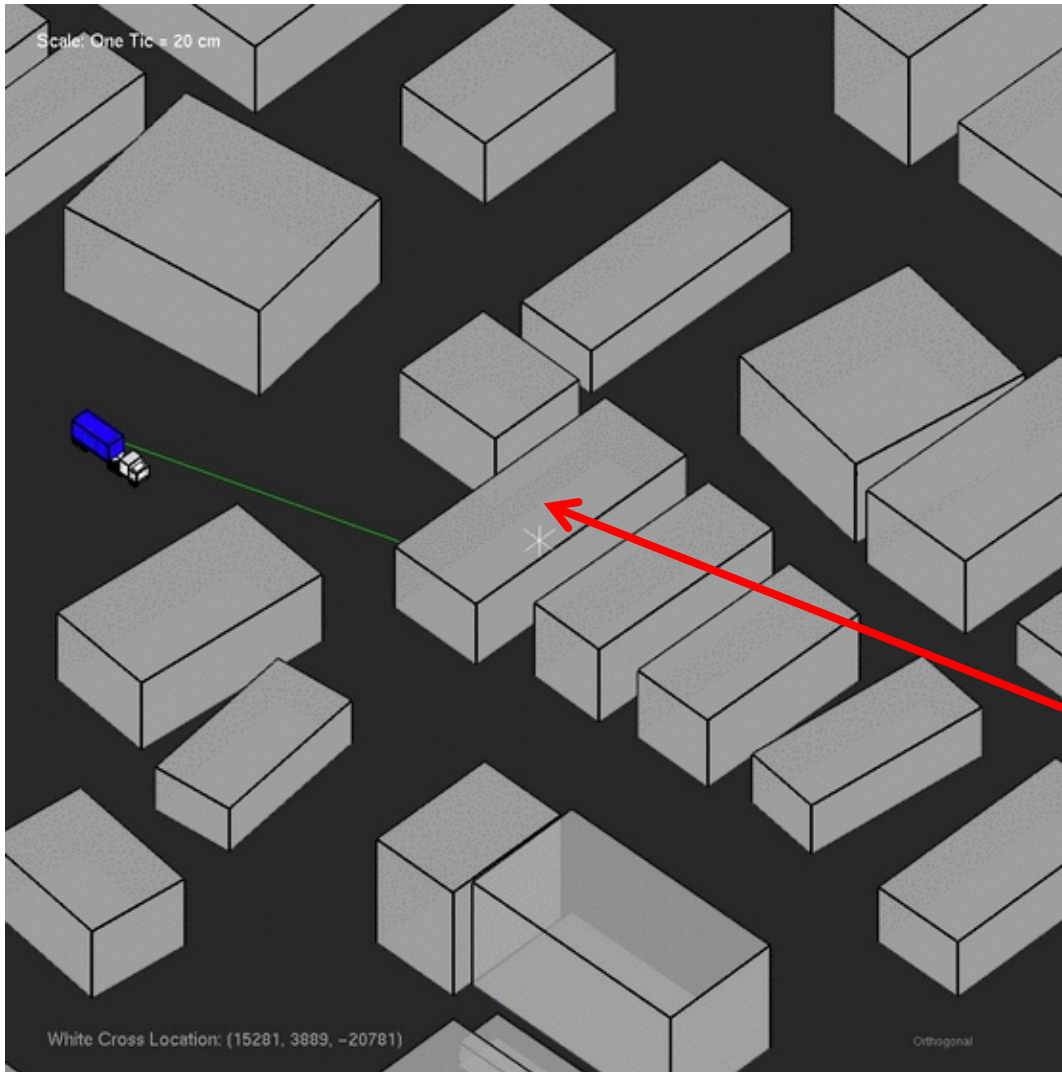


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Detection in Urban Environment



Building containing source

- Seattle buildings created with GIS data
- Source placed in one of the buildings



Detection on Sea Simulation



- Vessel with large area detector
 - 100%-efficient HPGe detectors
 - 6" NaI detectors
 - Moving at 6 knots
- Yacht with source
 - Shielded SNM
 - Moving at 5 knot





Conclusions

- NRL developed SWORD to bring the power of simulation to the non-expert user
- Ease of use along with standard library allows for efficient setup and simulation
- Continually developing SWORD
 - Adding new functionality (suggestions welcome)
 - Improving interface to MC engines
 - Adding interfaces to new engines
- Developing user base (~100 users)

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