



3D radiological modelling techniques

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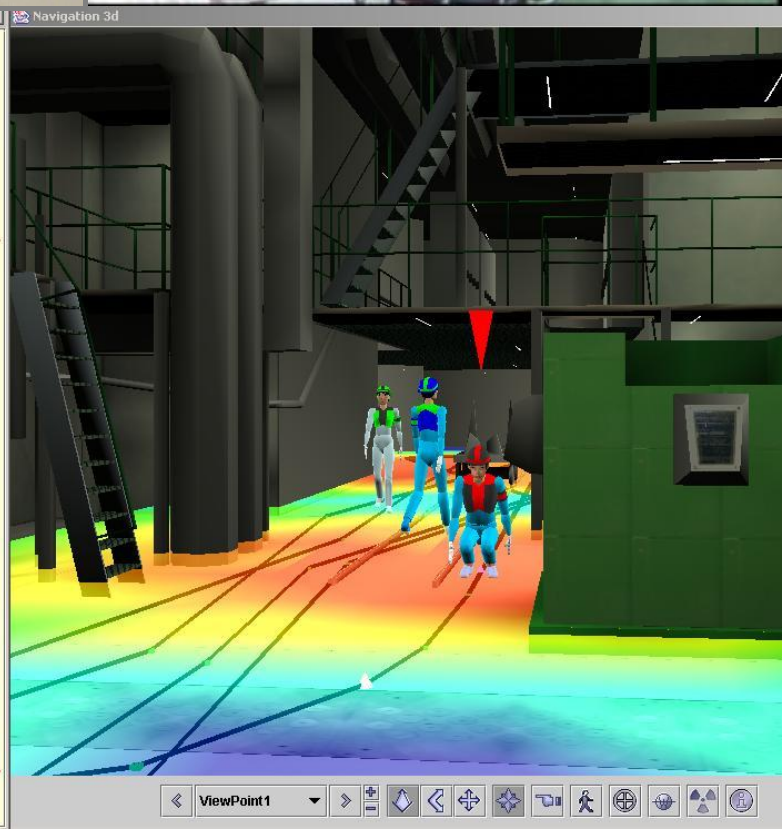
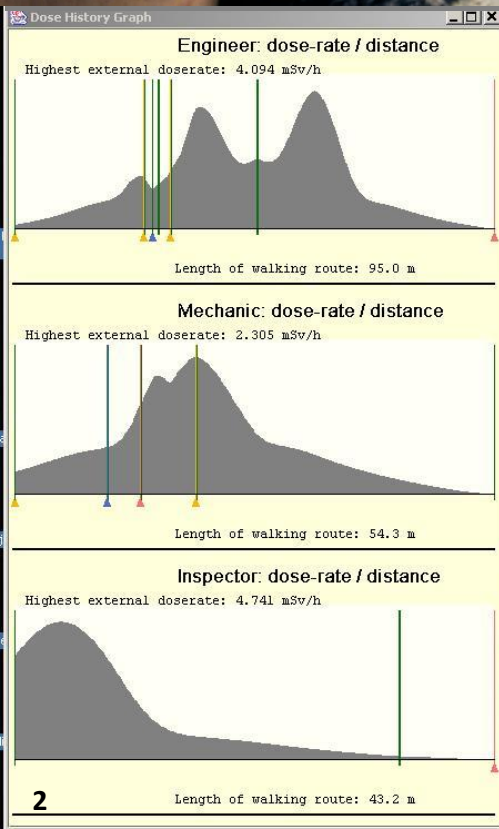
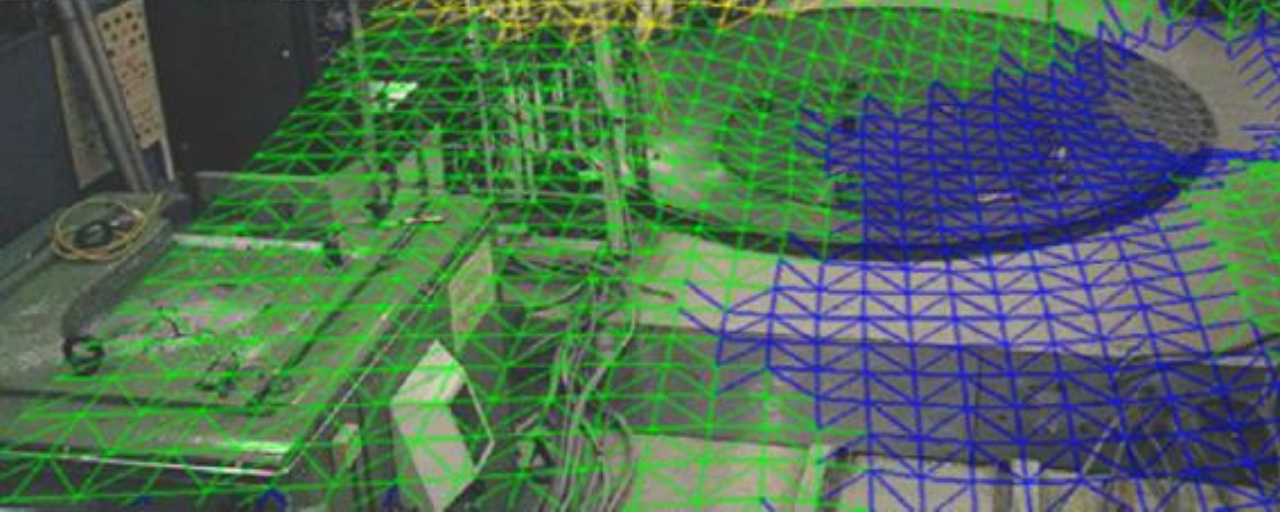
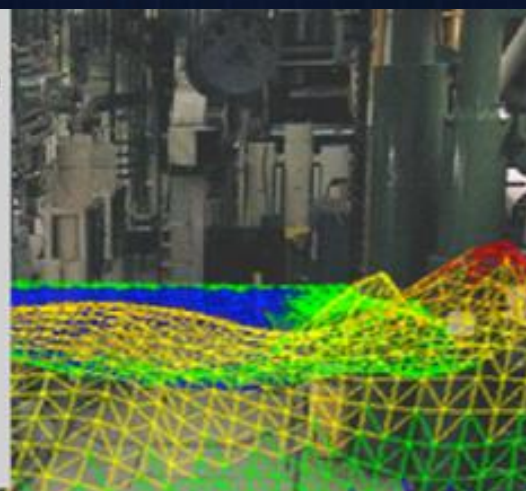
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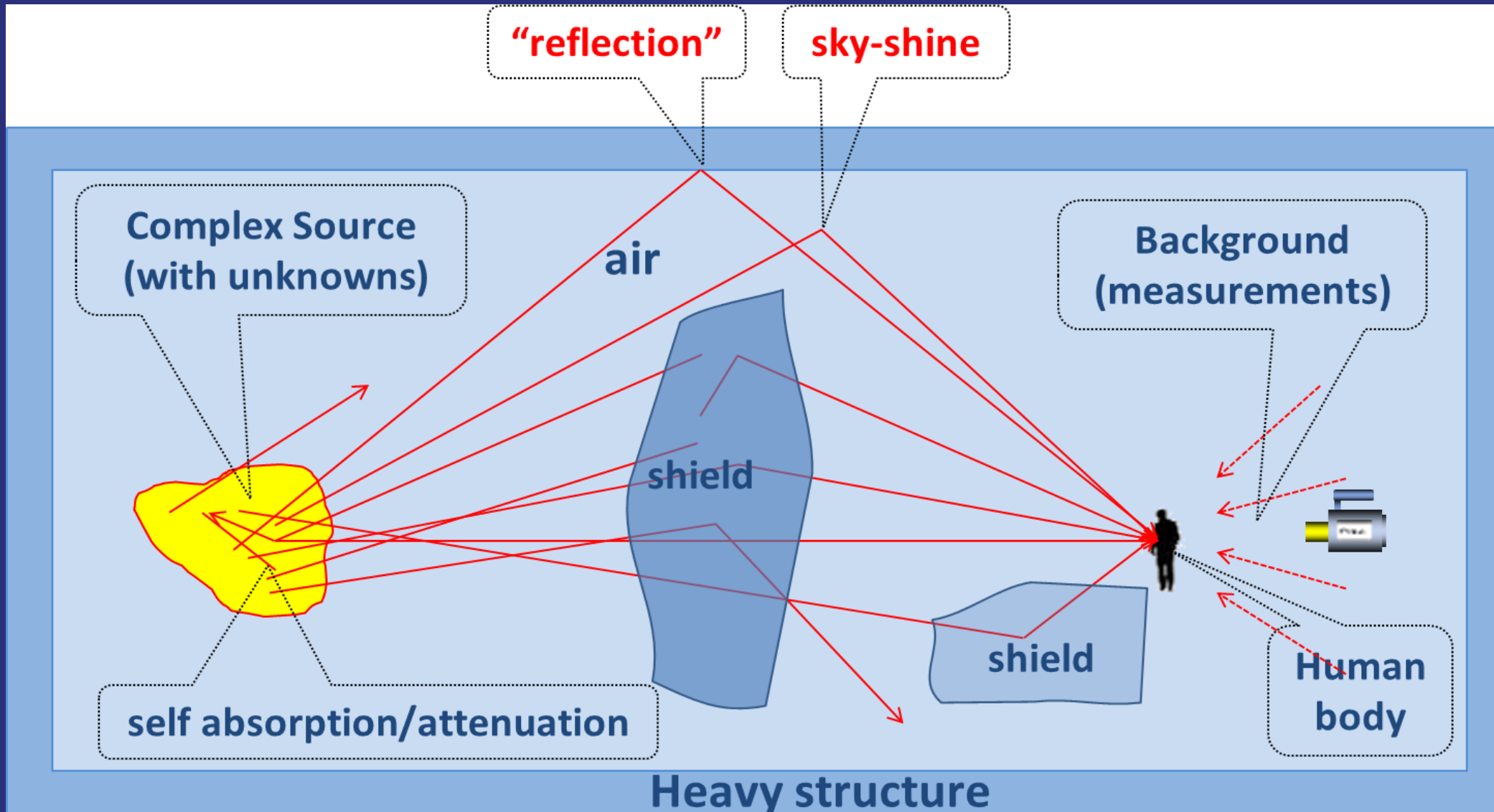


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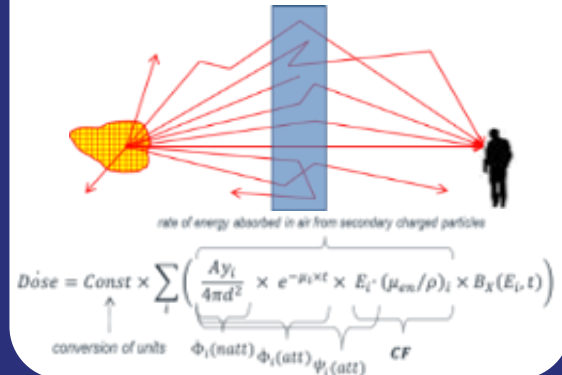
Digital support concepts in nuclear environments (since 1996 till today)



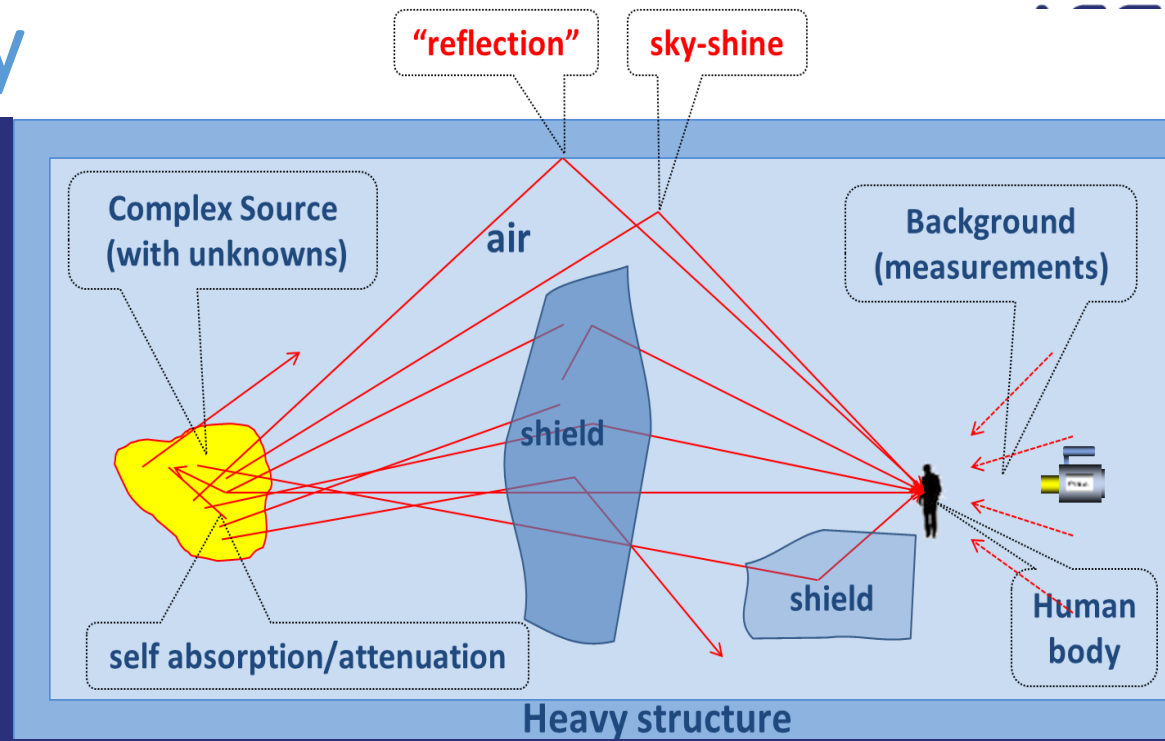
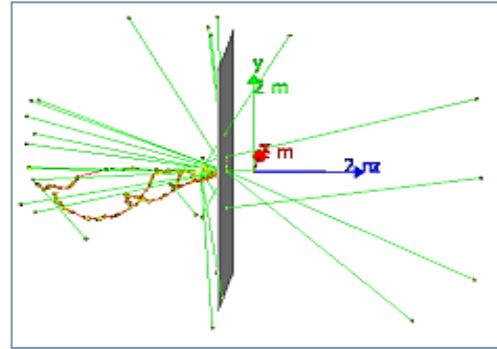


Radiation transport and dosimetry

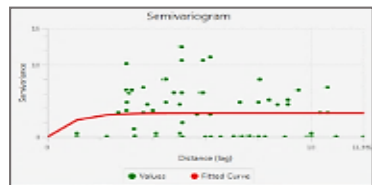
Real-time (Point Kernel) radiation transport



MC radiation transport (MCNP, GEANT4)



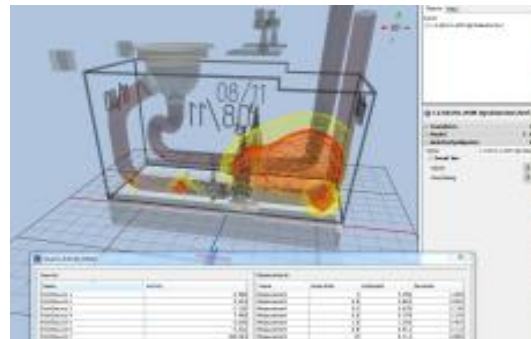
Interpolation, Geostatistics



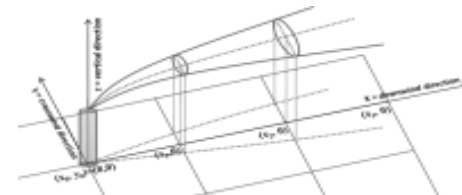
$$Z^*(\mathbf{u}) = m(\mathbf{u}) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n(\mathbf{u})} \lambda_{\alpha}(\mathbf{u}) [Z(\mathbf{u}_{\alpha}) - m(\mathbf{u})]$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n(\mathbf{u})} \lambda_{\alpha}(\mathbf{u}) Z(\mathbf{u}_{\alpha}) + \left[1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n(\mathbf{u})} \lambda_{\alpha}(\mathbf{u}) \right] m(\mathbf{u})$$

Source deconvolution



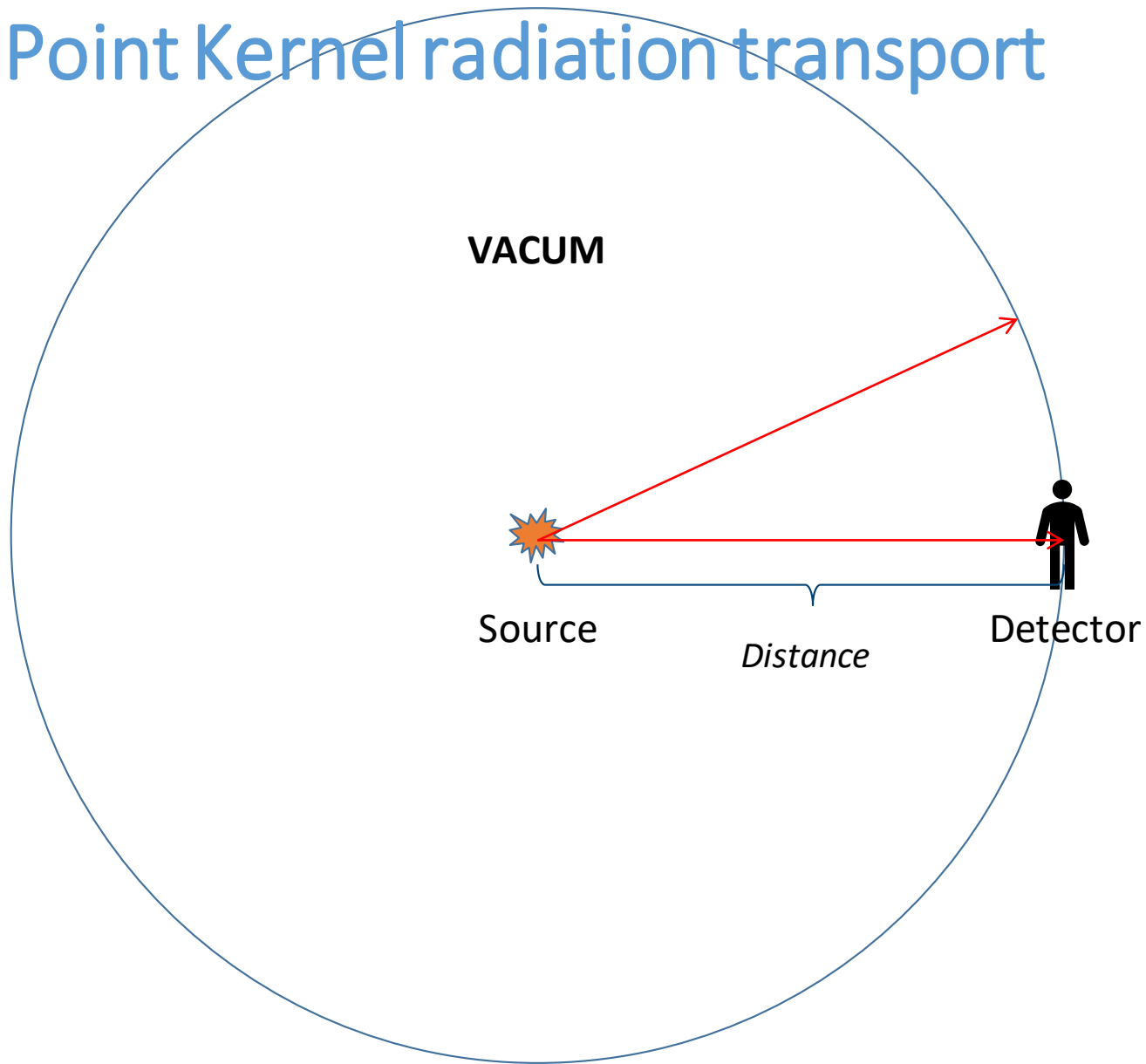
Atmospheric dispersion



$$C(x, y, z) = \frac{Q(x)}{2\pi \cdot \sigma_y(x) \cdot \sigma_z(x) \cdot u_{10}} \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma_y(x)^2}\right] F(x, z)$$

$$C(x, y, z) = \frac{Q(x)}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma_y(x) \cdot A \cdot u_{10}} \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma_y(x)^2}\right]$$

Point Kernel radiation transport

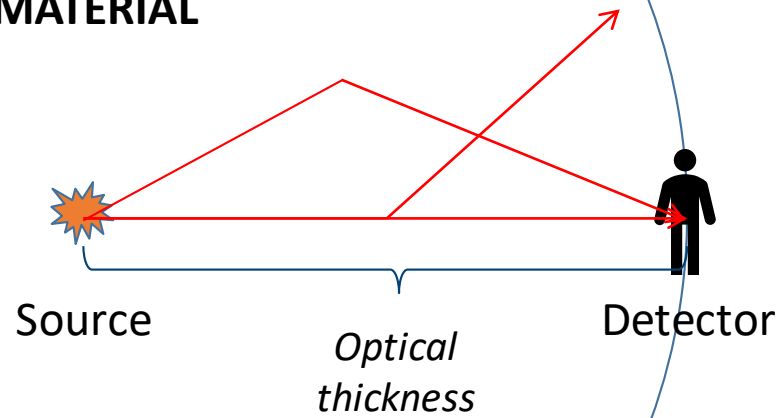


$$Dose = flux * conversion factor_{energy}$$

$$Flux = \frac{\text{Number of particles}}{\text{Surface area of sphere (cm}^2\text{)}}$$

Point Kernel radiation transport

**INFINITE
HOMOGENEOUS
MATERIAL**

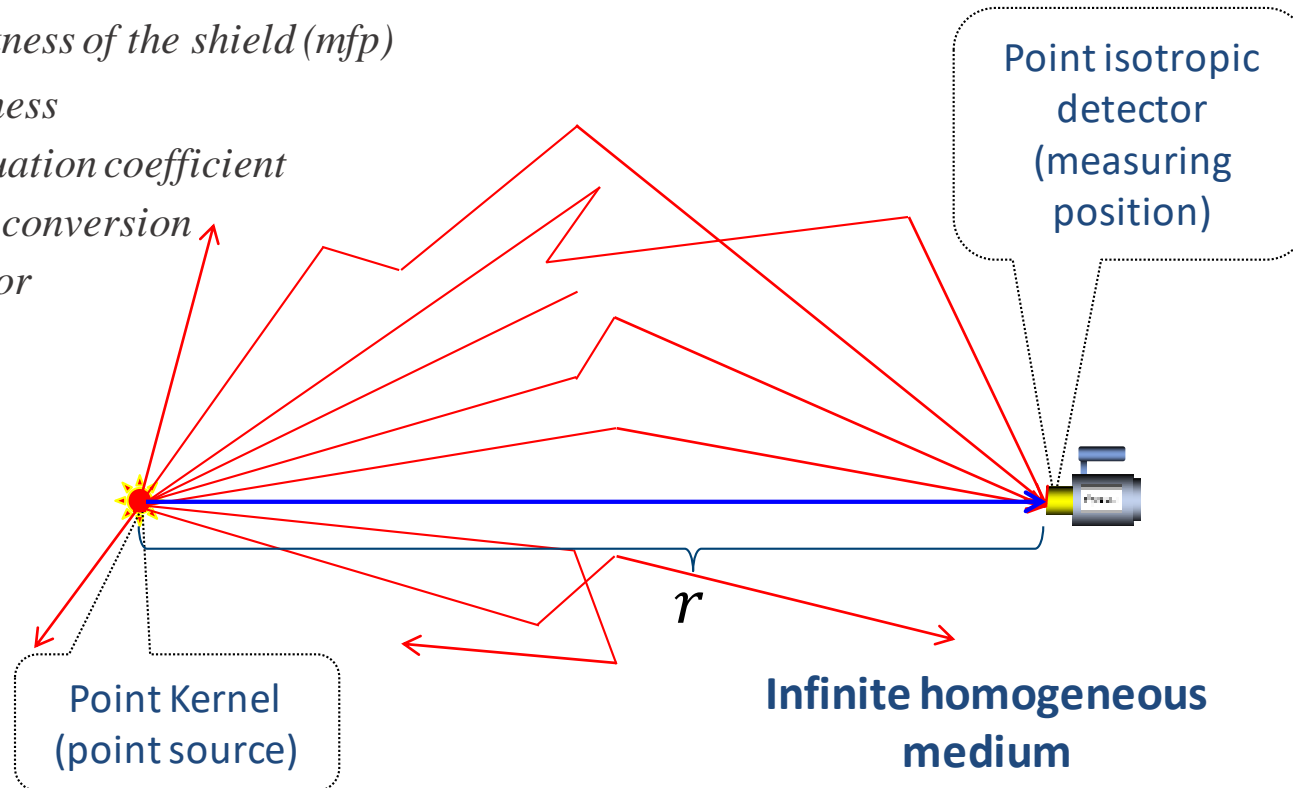


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dose} &= \text{flux} * \text{conversion factor}_{\text{energy}} \\ &* \text{attenuation} \\ &* \text{scatter (build-up)} \end{aligned}$$

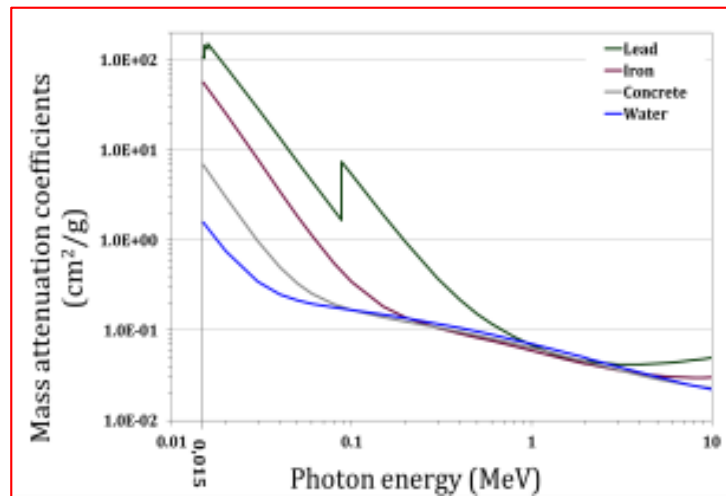
Point Kernel radiation transport

$$D(r, E) = Q(E) \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \cdot e^{-\Sigma r} \cdot d(E) \cdot B_d(\Sigma r, E)$$

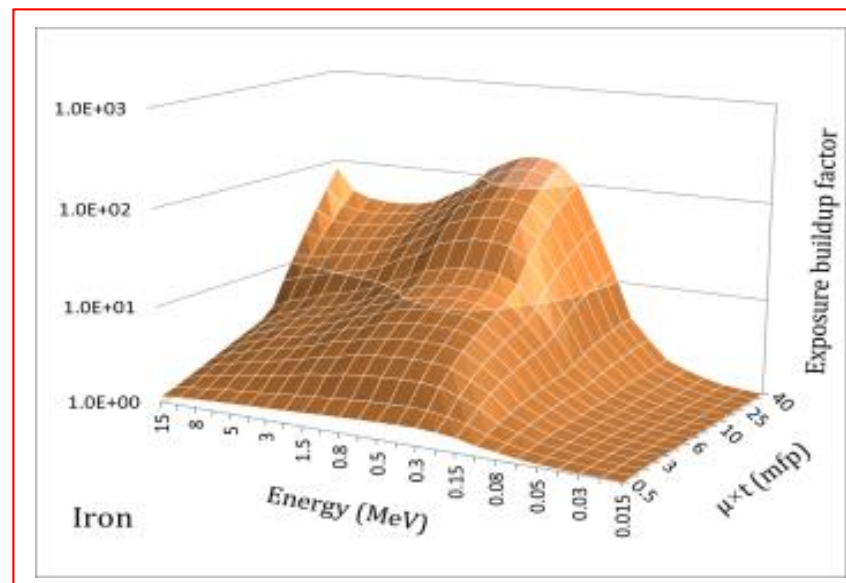
- $Q(E)$ source strength
- $\Sigma r = \mu \times r$ optical thickness of the shield (mfp)
- r shield thickness
- μ linear attenuation coefficient
- $d(E)$ flux-to-dose conversion
- $B_d(\Sigma r, E)$ buildup factor



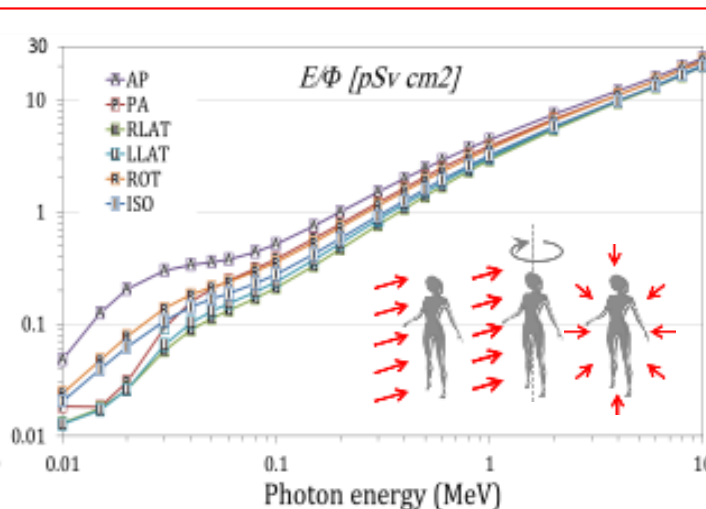
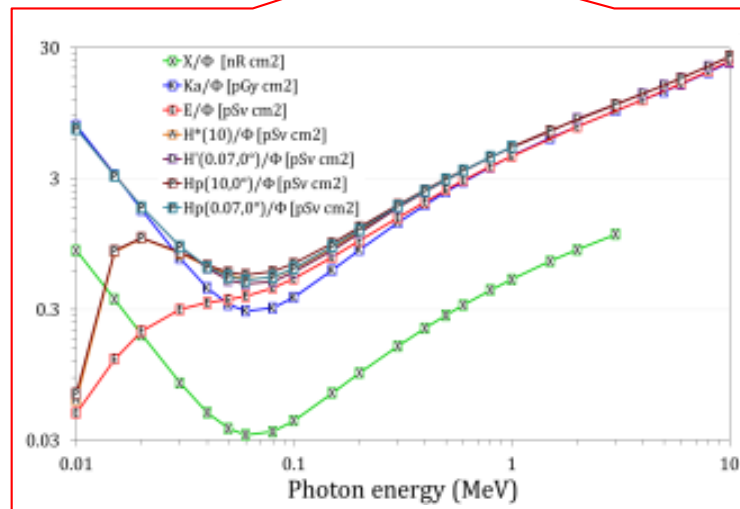
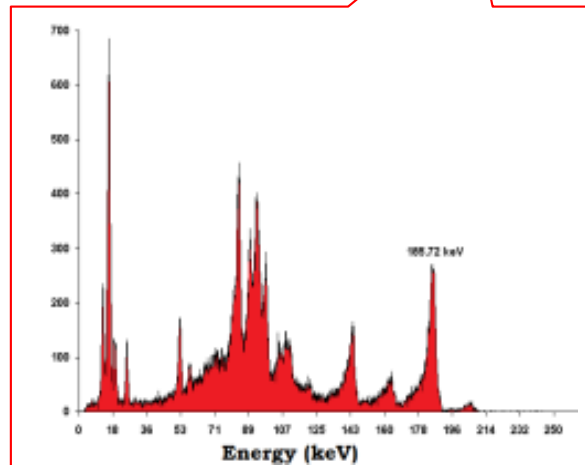
Our implementation

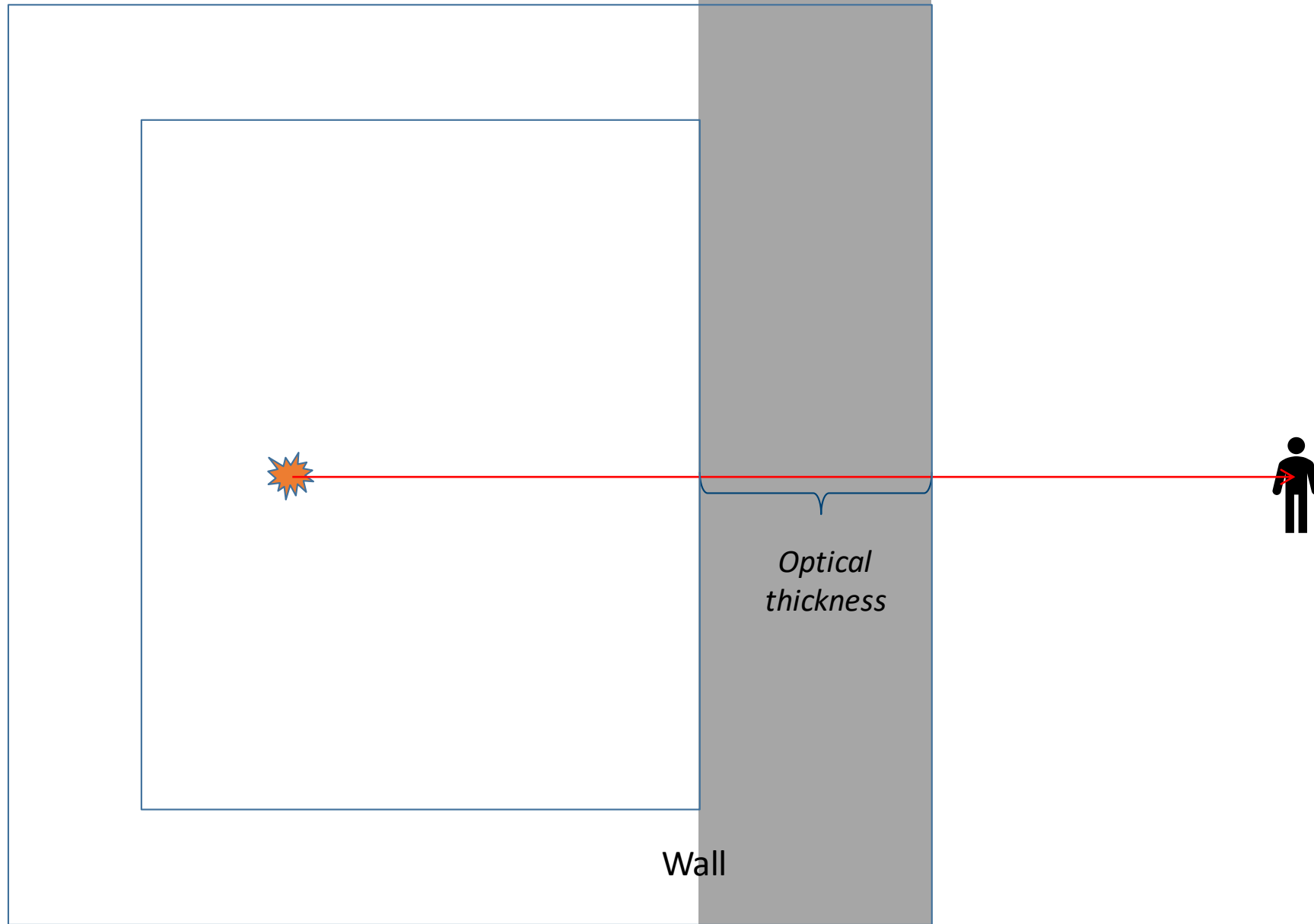


$$const \cdot E \cdot (\mu_{en}/\rho)$$



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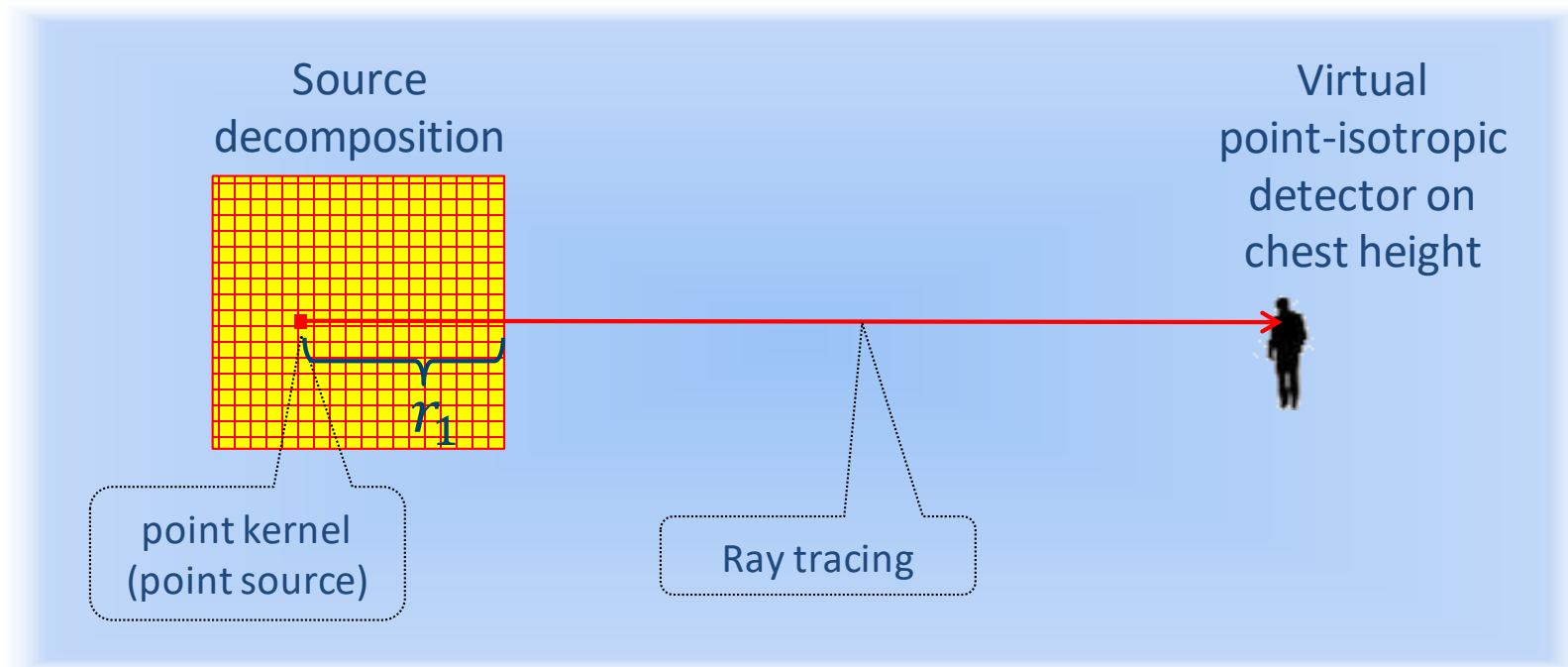


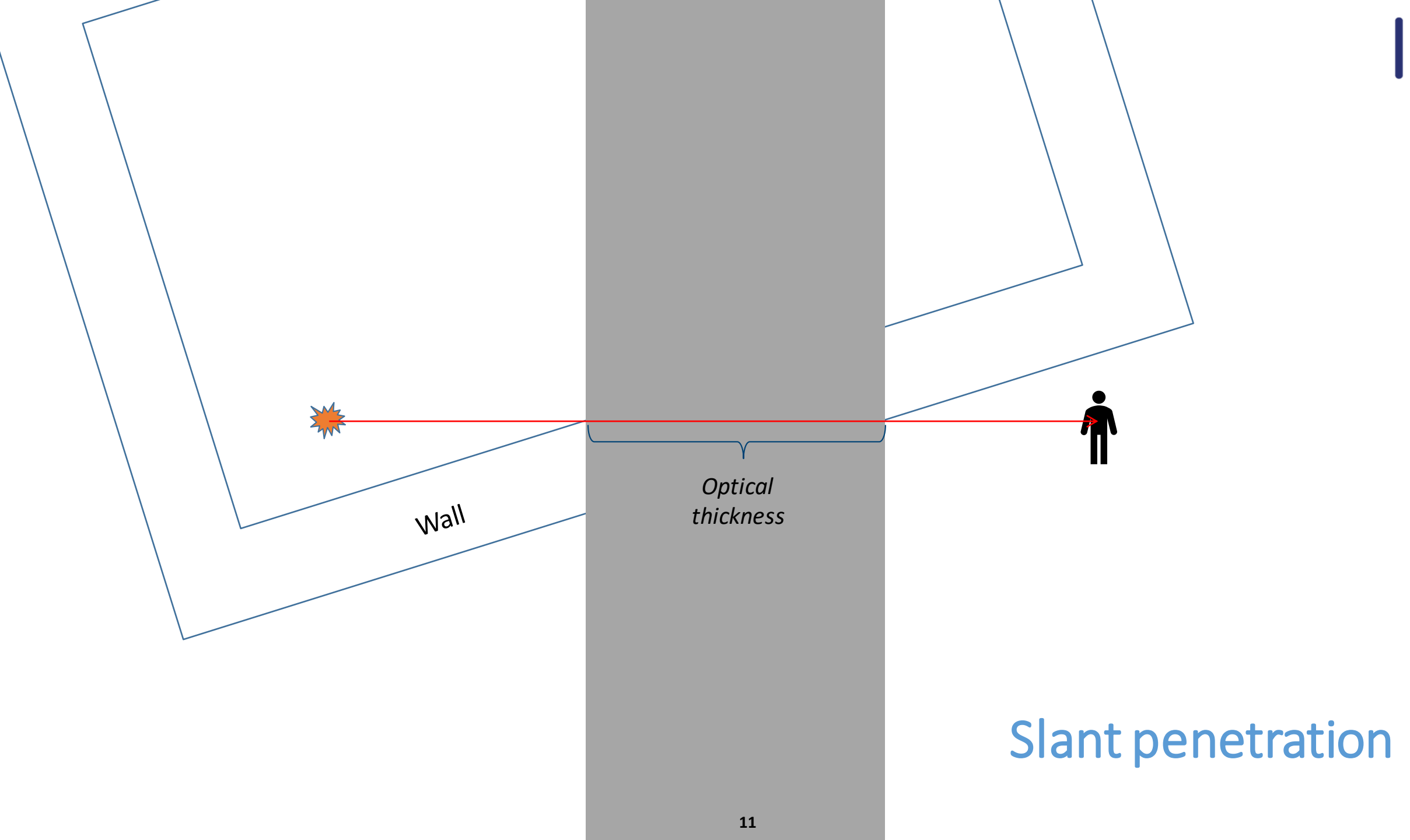
Wall

Our implementation – extended sources

A source can be considered as a point if distance to its centre is 10X longer than its diameter

- Extended sources are decomposed to point kernels – dose is summed up
 - Uniform decomposition vs. adaptive decomposition e.g. based on distance to the 'detector' – speed and accuracy trade-offs





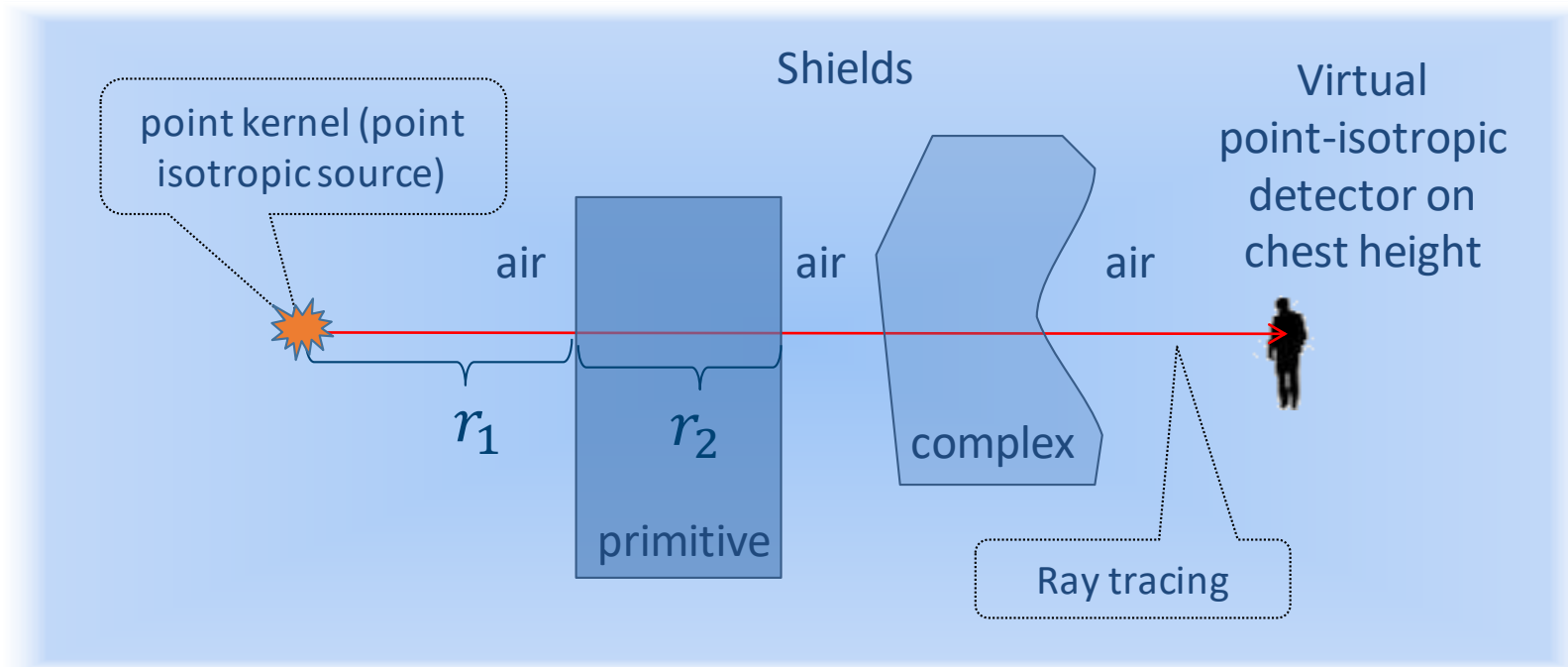
Multiple shields

$$D(r, E) = \frac{Q(E)}{4\pi r^2} \cdot e^{-\Sigma r} \cdot d(E) \cdot B_d(\Sigma r, E)$$

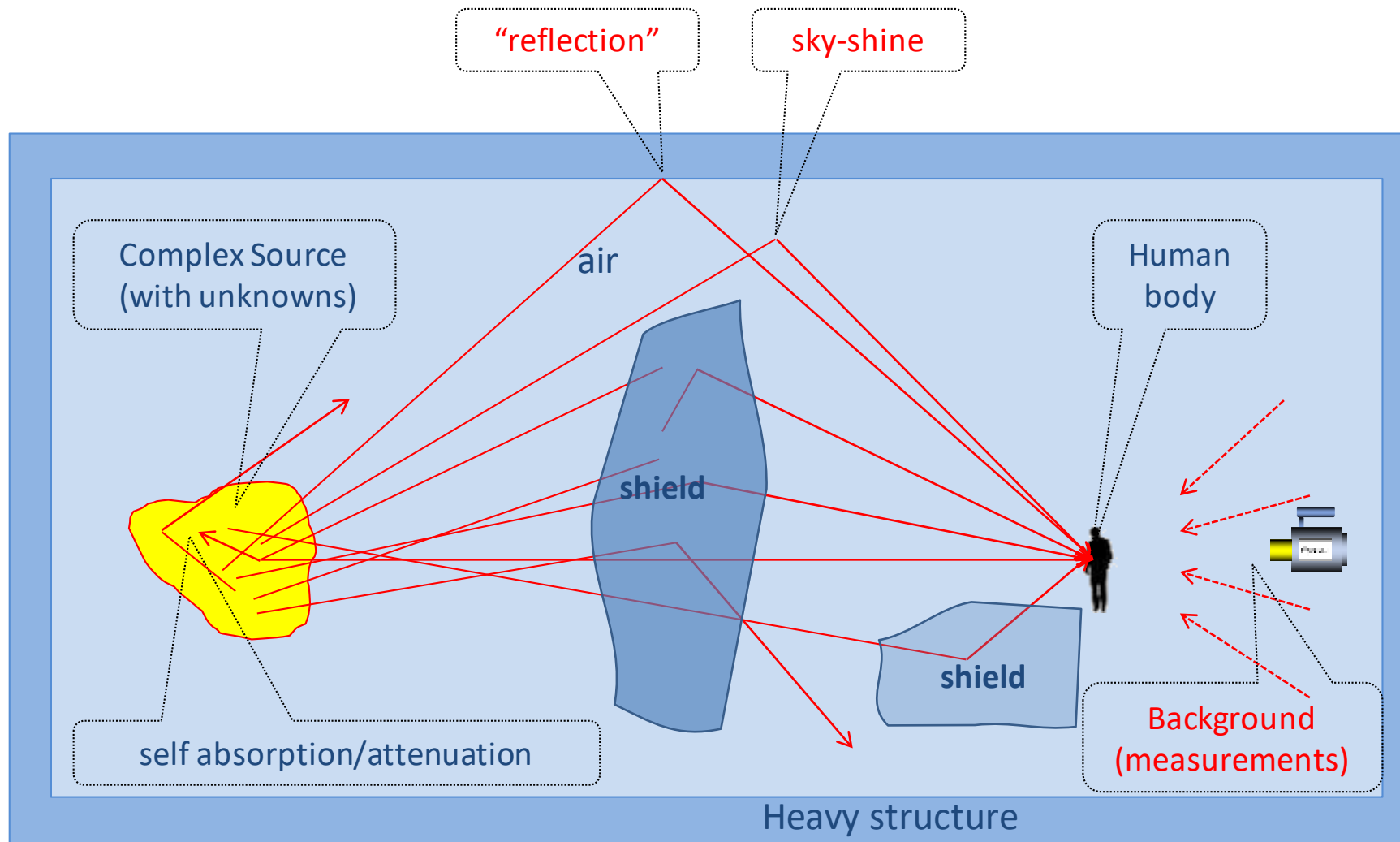
$$e^{-\Sigma r} = e^{-(\Sigma r_1 + \Sigma r_2 \dots)}$$

$$B_d(\Sigma r, E) = B_d(\Sigma r_1, E) + B_d(\Sigma r_2, E) \dots$$

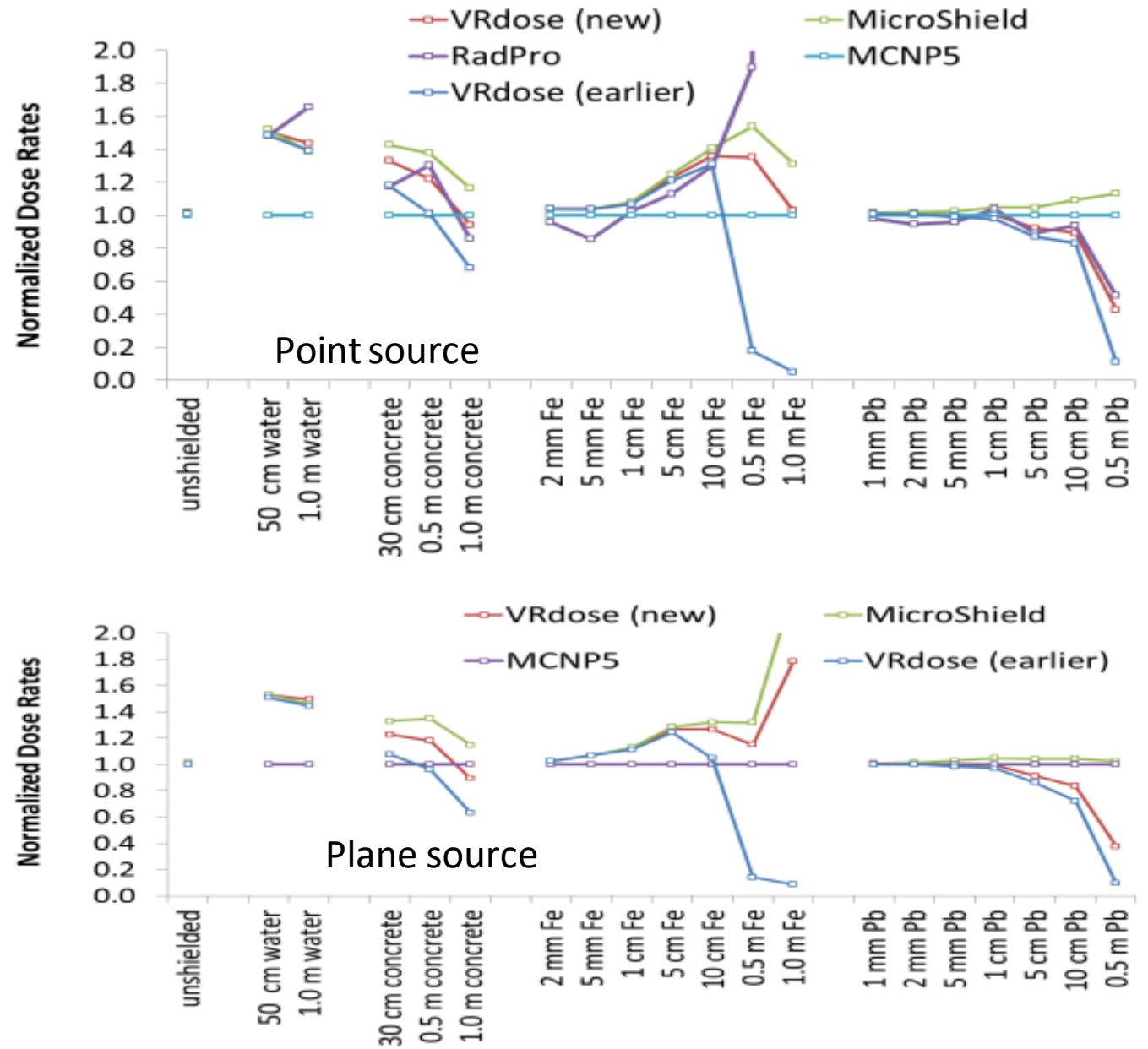
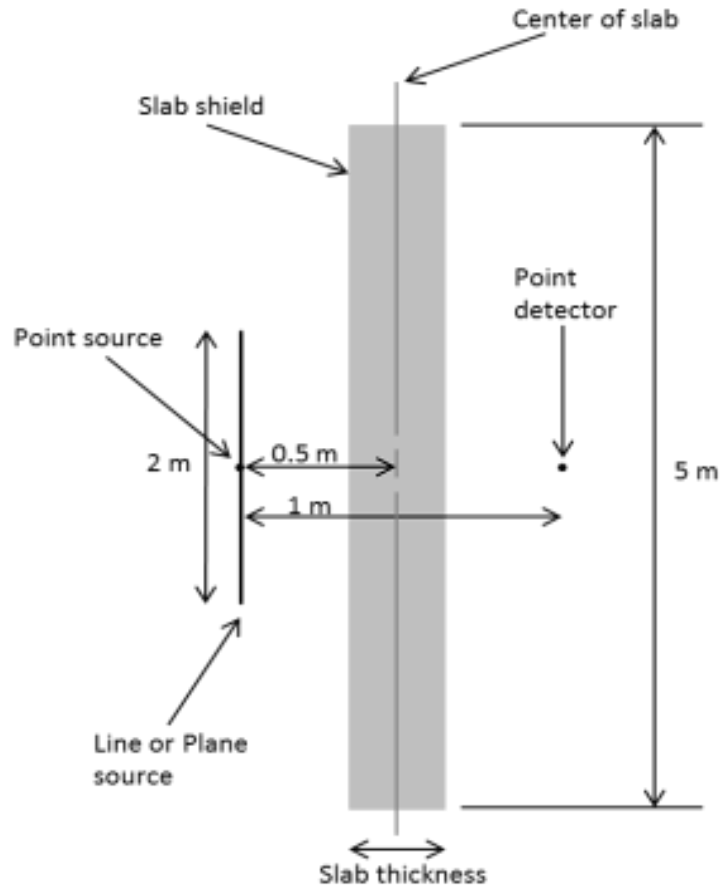
$$D = \sum_i (D(r, E_i))$$



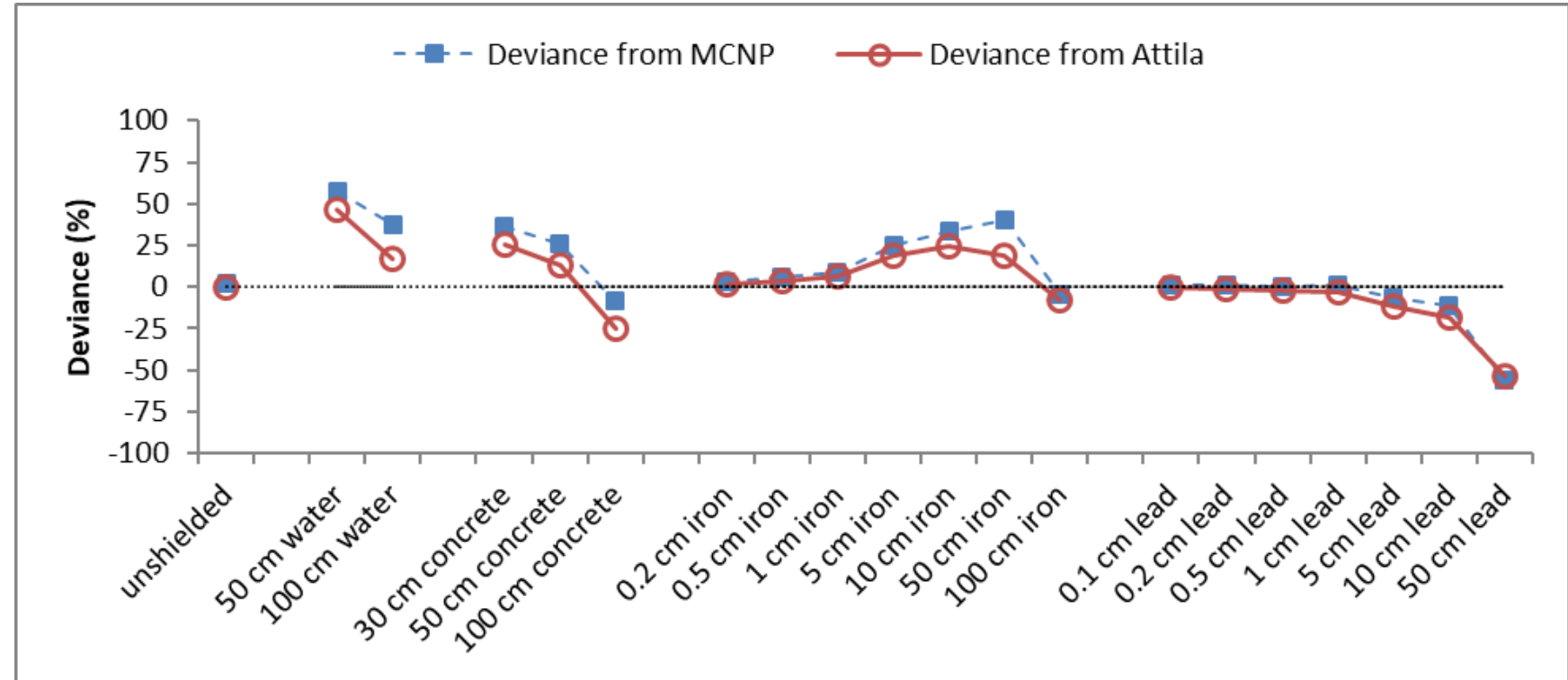
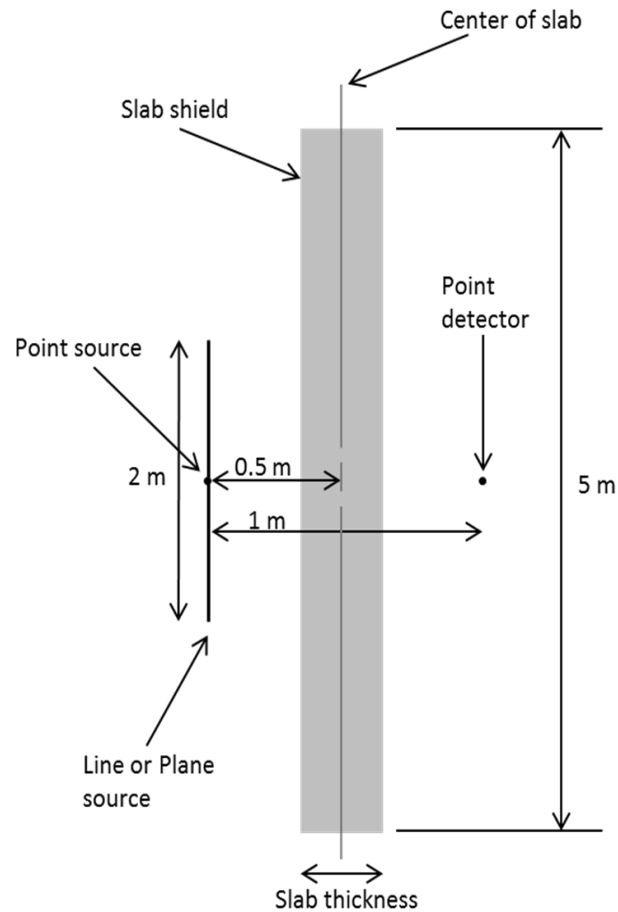
The real situation



Benchmarking

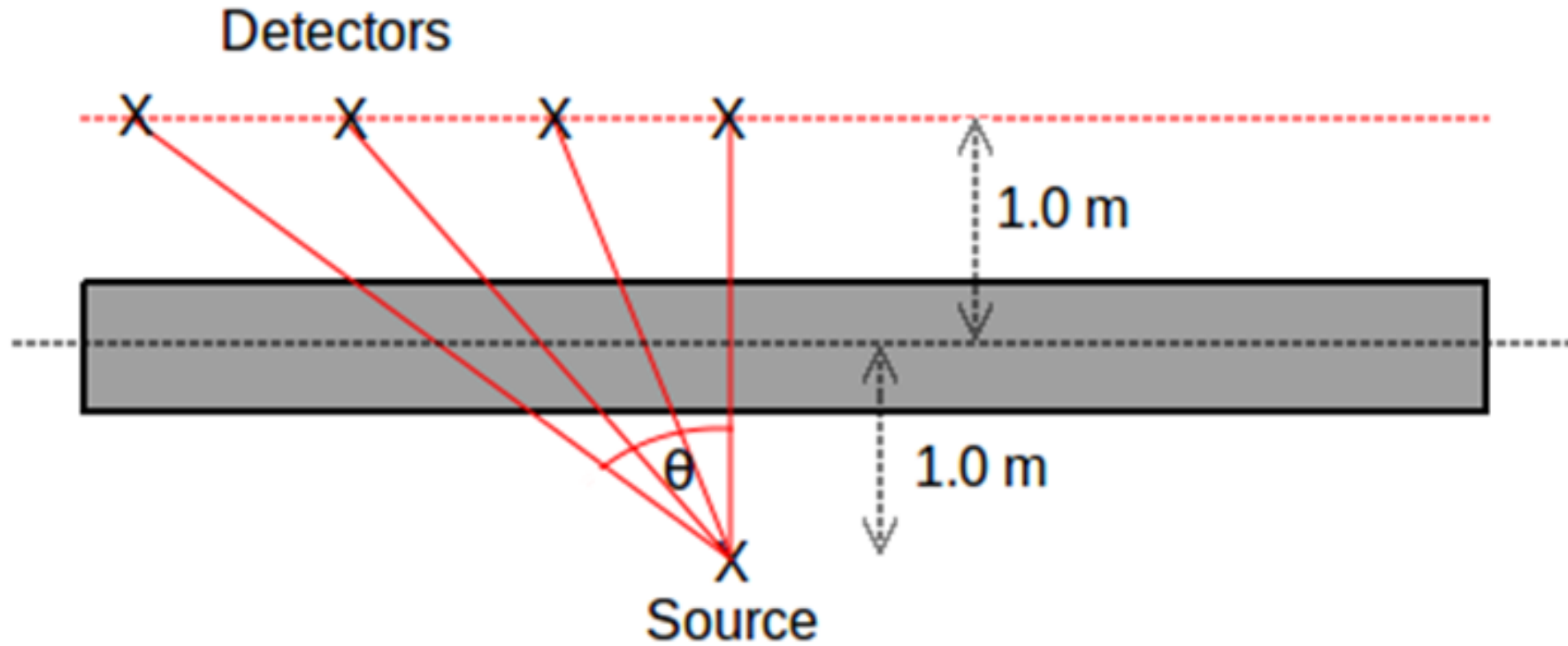


Normally incident radiation

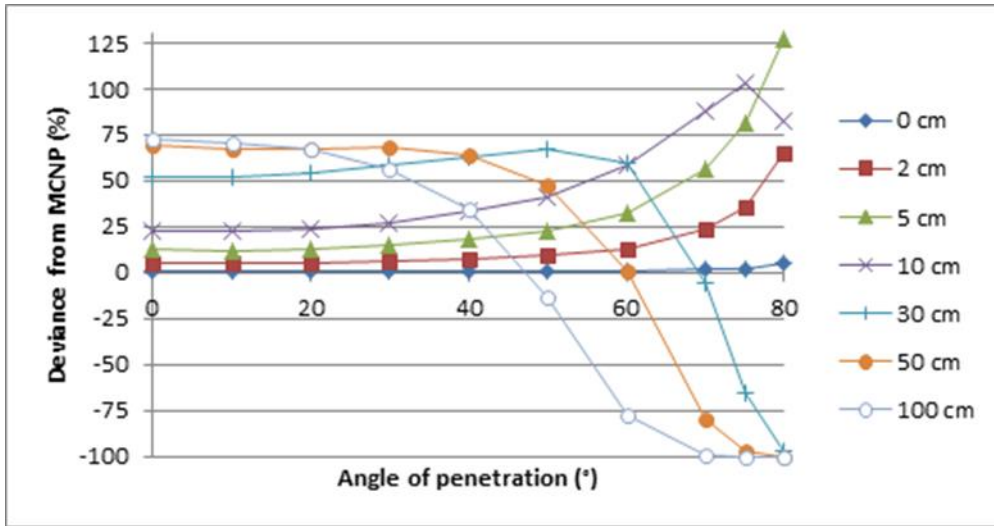


Positive numbers mean that point-kernel is overestimating the dose rate

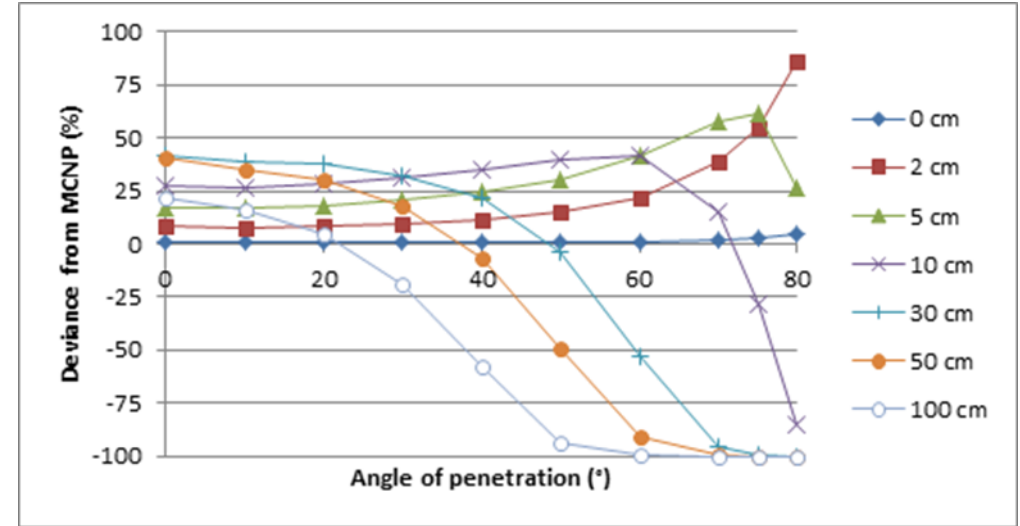
Obliquely incident radiation



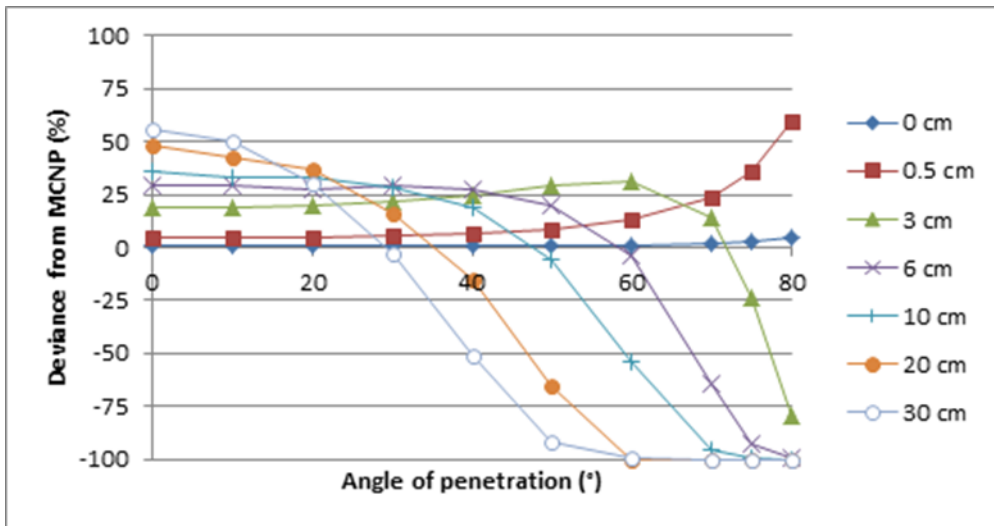
Water



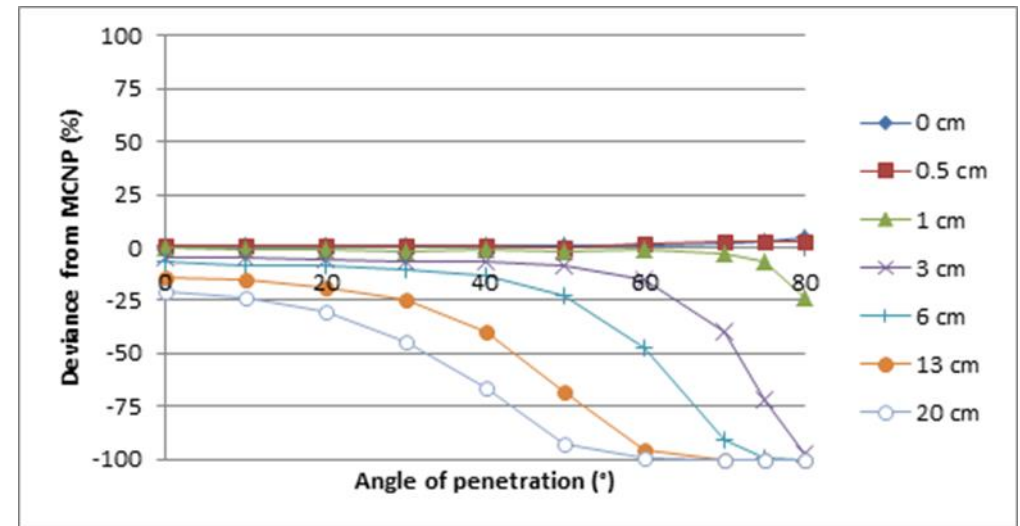
Concrete



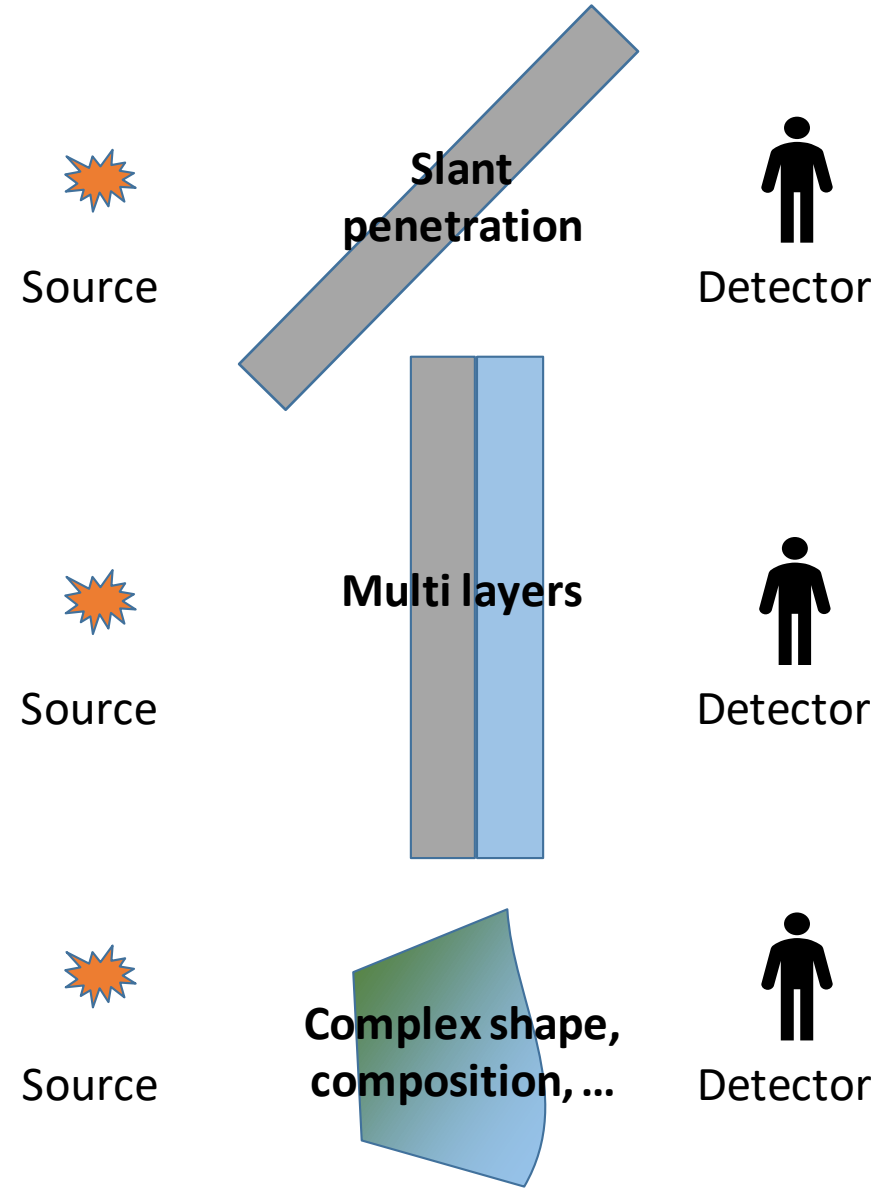
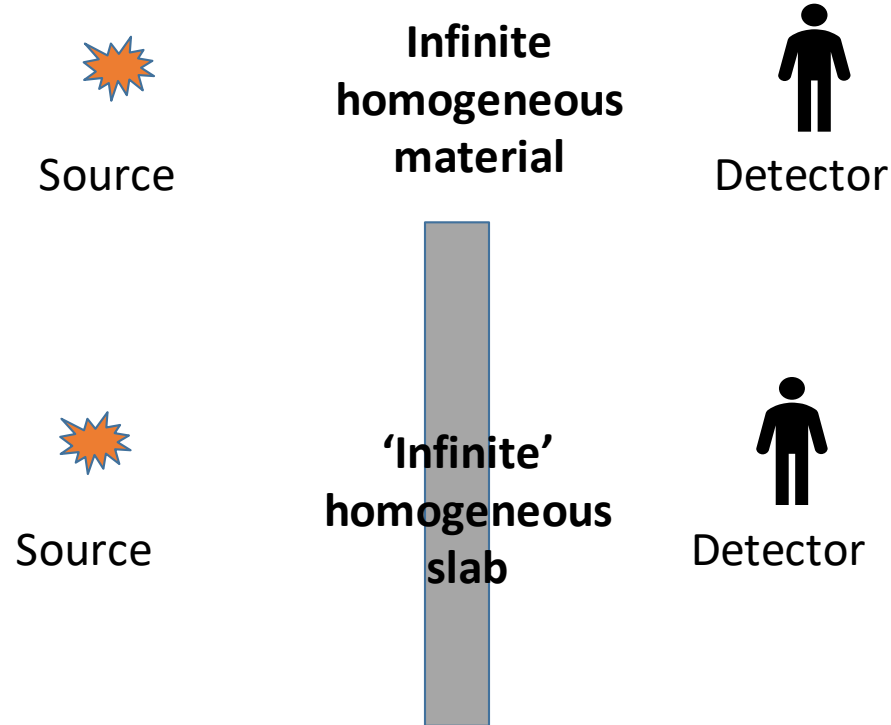
Iron



Lead

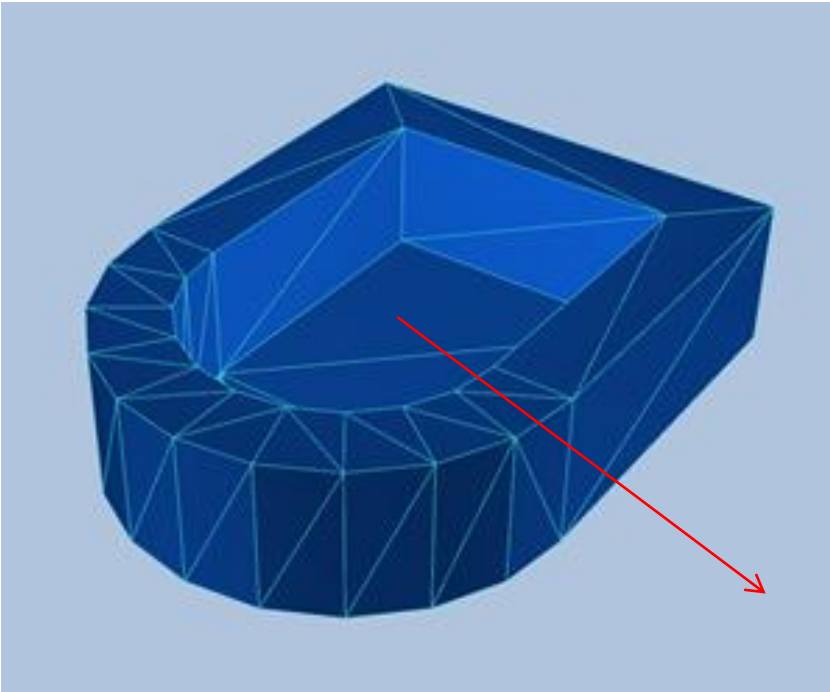


Shield modelling



Evaluation of radiological shield intersection algorithms

Surface Mesh



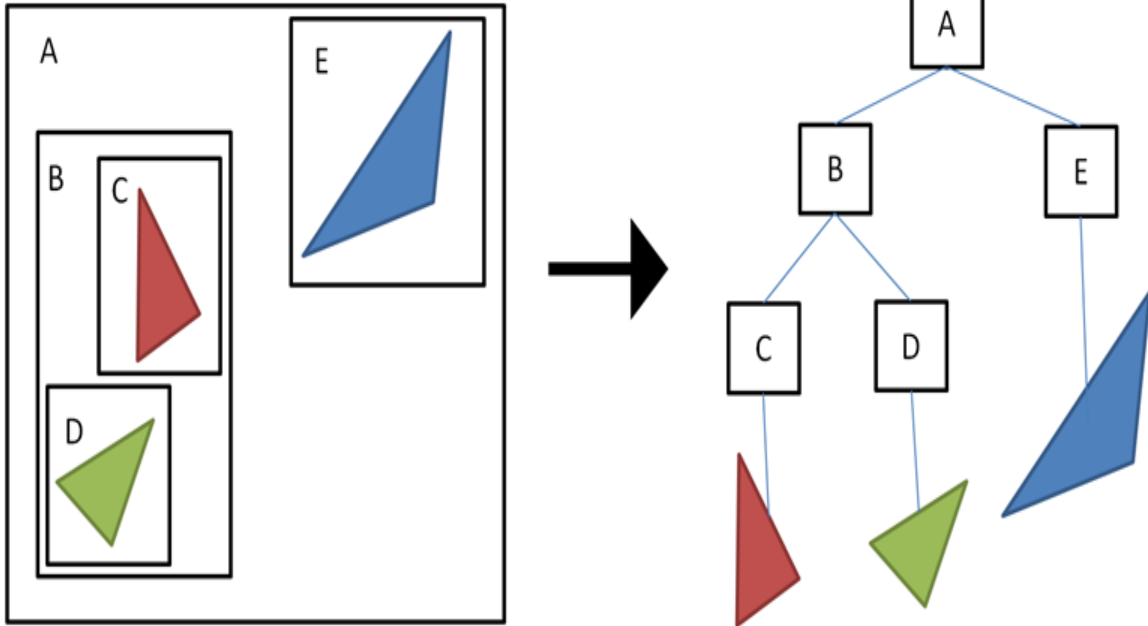
- Based on Boundary Representation (B-rep) tech
- Triangles define the boundary between inside and outside of the model
- The set of faces must form a complete, closed skin of the model (with no intersecting faces)
- Must be tessellated for round objects => not 100 % accurate
- Brute force method - every triangle is checked against every ray

Bounding Volume Hierarchy (BVH)

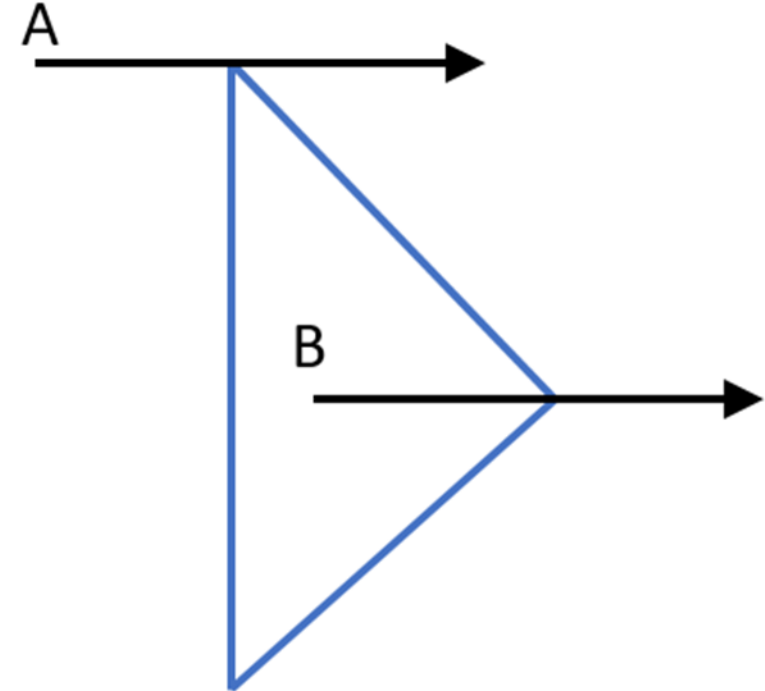
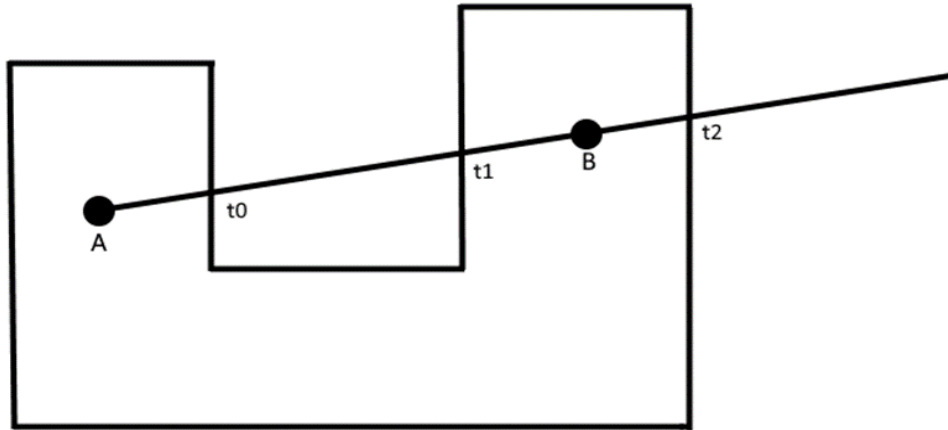
BV = Bounding Volume

Optimized version of the Surface Mesh

- A BV (in our case an axis aligned bounding box) is created around every triangle
- BVs are grouped under parent BVs - tree hierarchy
- If a ray does not hit a BV, all surfaces in the children BVs are skipped in the ray-tracing

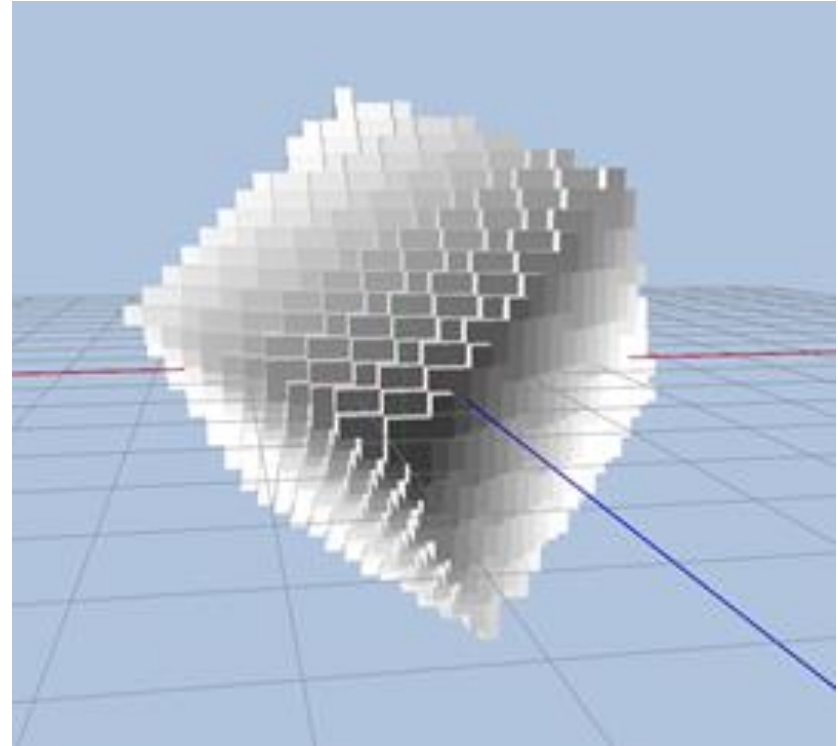
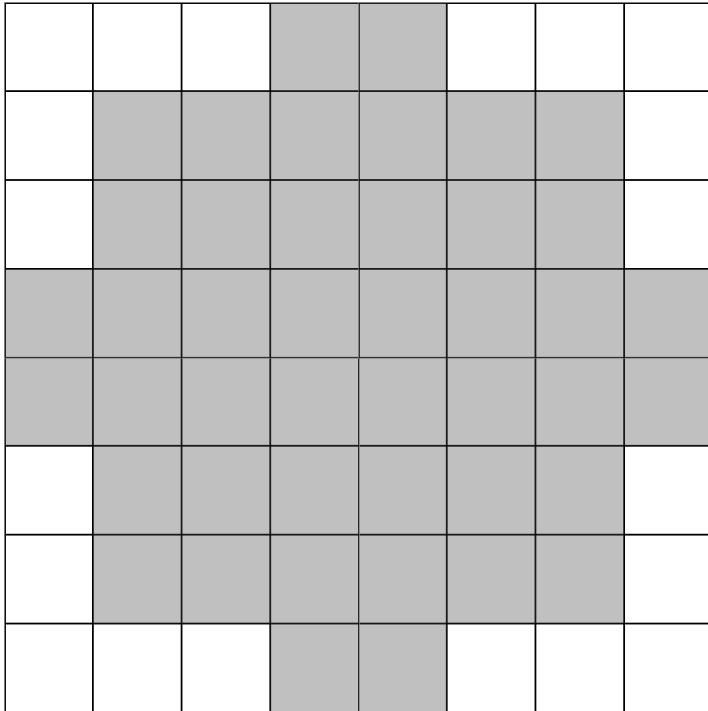


Error when intersecting edges or vertexes



Both Surface Mesh and BVH uses the even-odd rule to determine if the particle is inside or outside the object. The state is flipped between inside and outside when intersecting a surface of a mesh. At edges and vertices multiple intersections can be detected when penetrating the skin of the model.

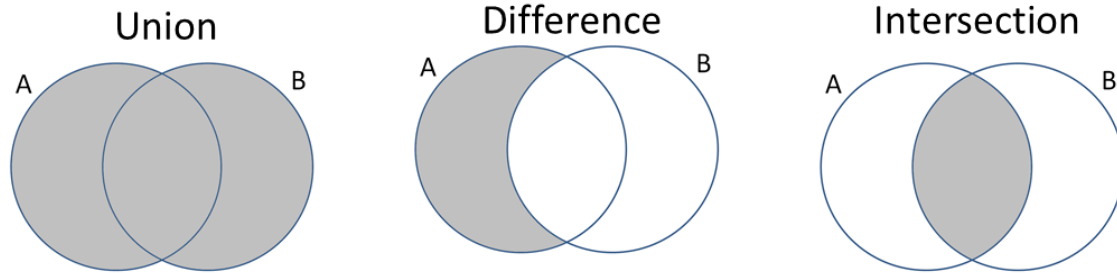
Voxel Grid



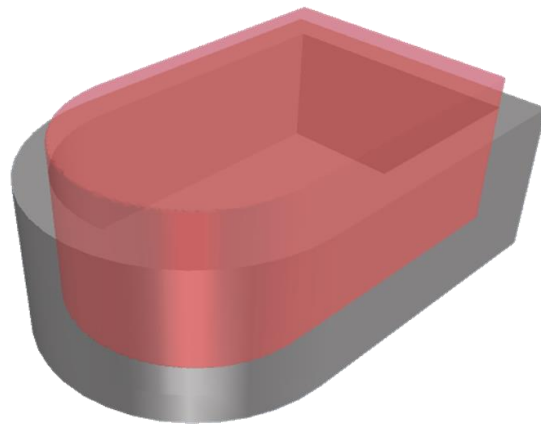
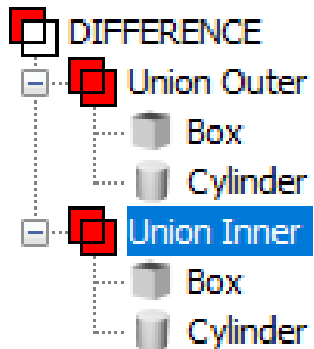
- Shields are modelled as a three-dimensional grid of voxels
- Each voxel defines if the volume is inside or outside the shield
- Complex (round) shapes need to be tessellated => not 100% accurate

Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)

Boolean operations



- Combines primitives (spheres, cylinders, boxes,...) using Boolean operations.
- Boolean operations are organized in tree structure (results of an operation can be input to another operation)



Asymptotic analysis

Letter	Represents
n	the number of nodes in a CSG tree
c	the number of cells along the longest edge of a Voxel Grid
t	the number of triangles within a mesh
i	the number of triangles within a mesh that were intersected

Runtime complexity

Algorithm	Worst-case	Average-case	Best-case
CSG	$O(n^2)$		$\Omega(n)$
Voxel Grid	$O(c)$	$\Theta(c)$	$\Omega(c)$
Surface Mesh	$O(t \log t)$	$\Theta(t i \log i)$	$\Omega(t)$
BVH	$O(t \log t)$	$\Theta(\log t + i \log i)$	$\Omega(1)$

Memory requirement

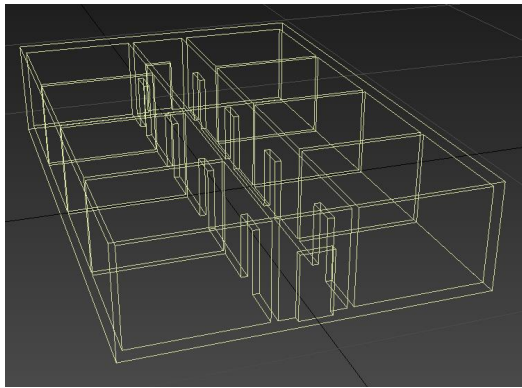
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Surface Mesh	$O(t)$
BVH	$O(t)$

Benchmarking

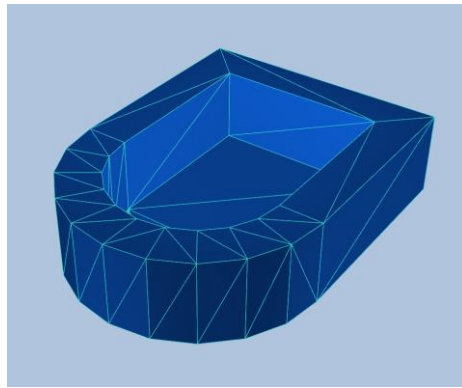
Shield shapes:

building

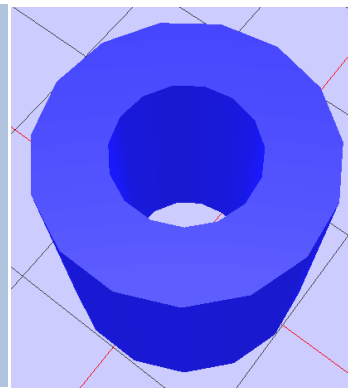
(rooms, hallway, door openings)



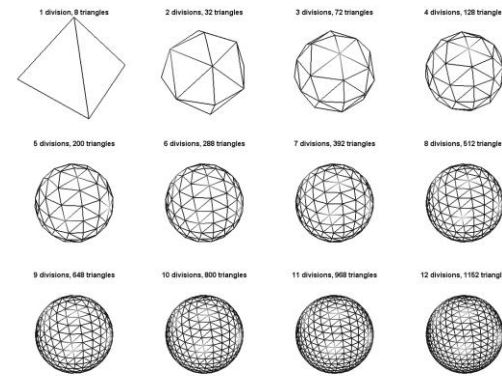
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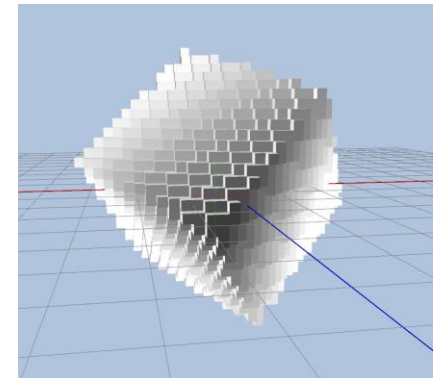
pipe



sphere

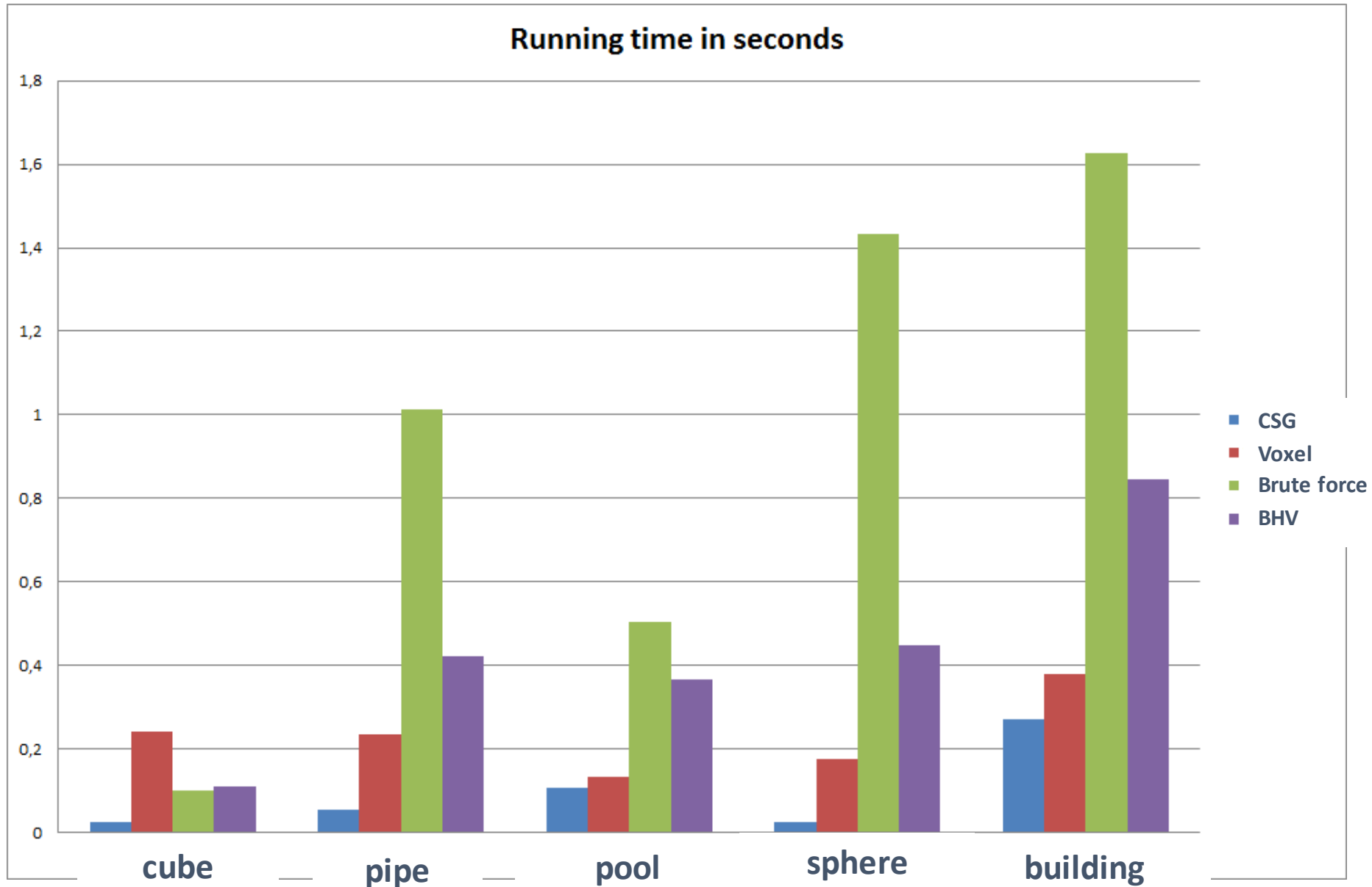


cube

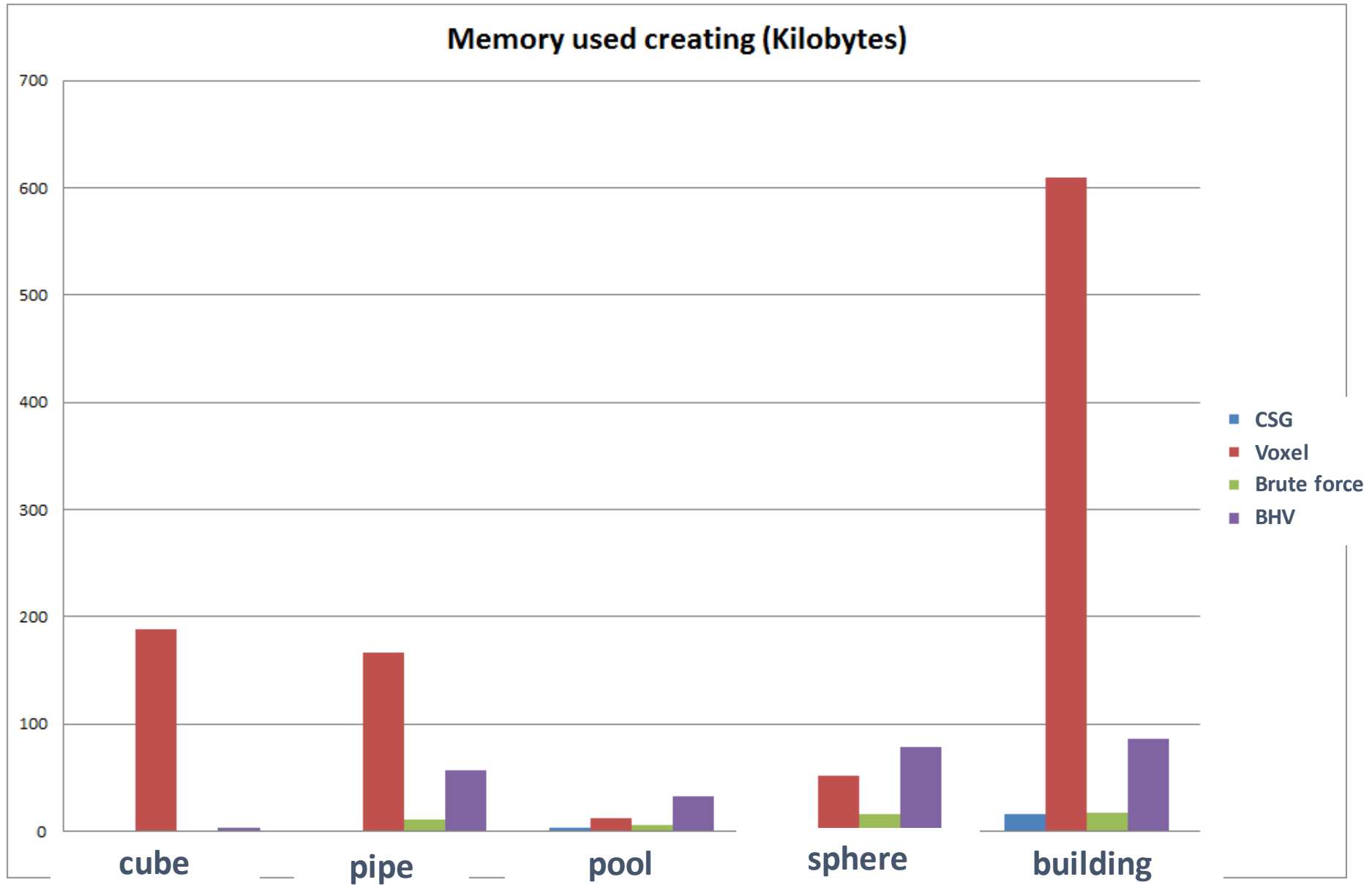


Test case:

- 30x30x30 grid
- 10 point isotropic source emitting 270 000 rays (lines) in total

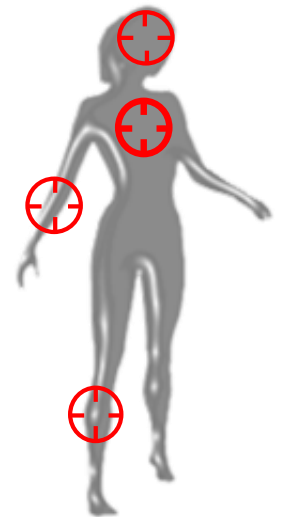
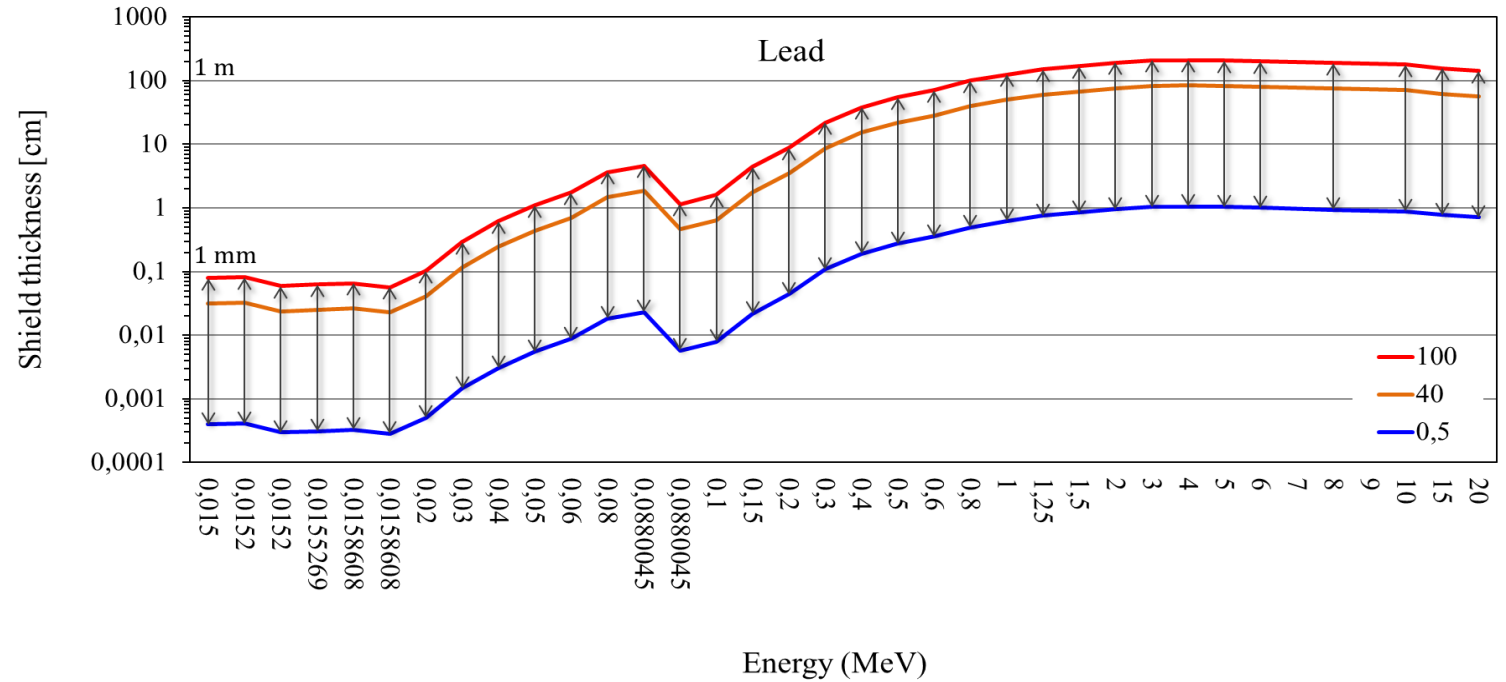


Mesh and voxel tessellated to give error less than 1%



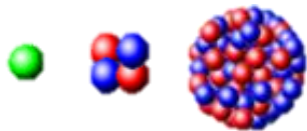
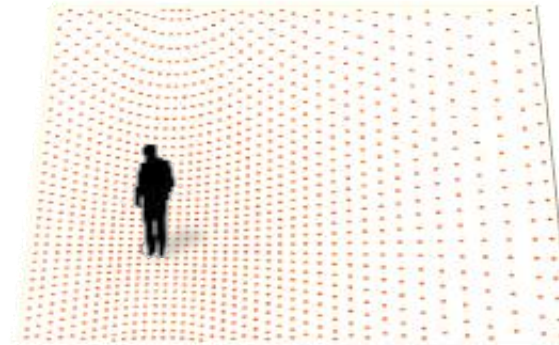
Limitations

- Extreme photons energies (available input on energy absorption is for **10keV - 10MeV**)
- Extreme optical thicknesses (available input on buildup)
- Shielding composition (applied buildup data and calculation)
- High contribution of “reflections” (usually not considered in PK models)
- Complex dose distribution in the body (representation of human body)



Limitations (cont'd)

- Variations in input data availability (model needs source description)
- Accuracy of dose calculations (model is designed for conservative estimations)
- Large extended sources and close detectors (model applies adaptive source decomposition, but needs verification)
- Complex source with high self scatter (model applies buildup for scatter inside the source)
- Type of radiation (model is applicable to gamma and X-ray only)



- Exposure pathways other than external – PK model is not applicable for inhalation, ingestion and skin dose from deposited material on clothing/skin)



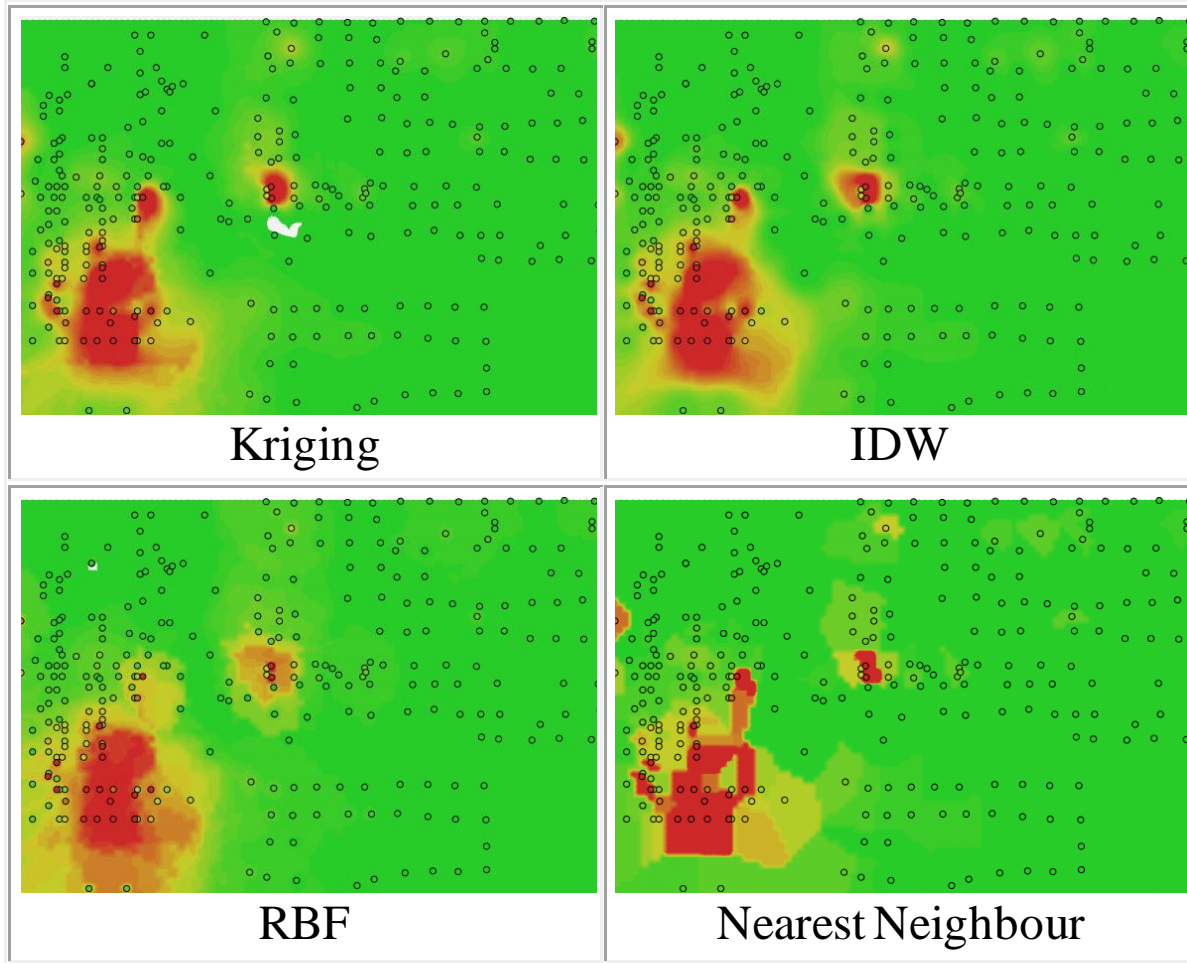
Some solutions

- Combination with MC (Monte Carlo) radiation transport for complex irradiation situations - Interface with **MCNP**
 - Easy production of input for MCNP simulations
 - Enables MC radiological assessments for whole jobs (not static)
- Geostatistical & other **interpolation** techniques & combination with rad. transport
- **Source deconvolution** techniques

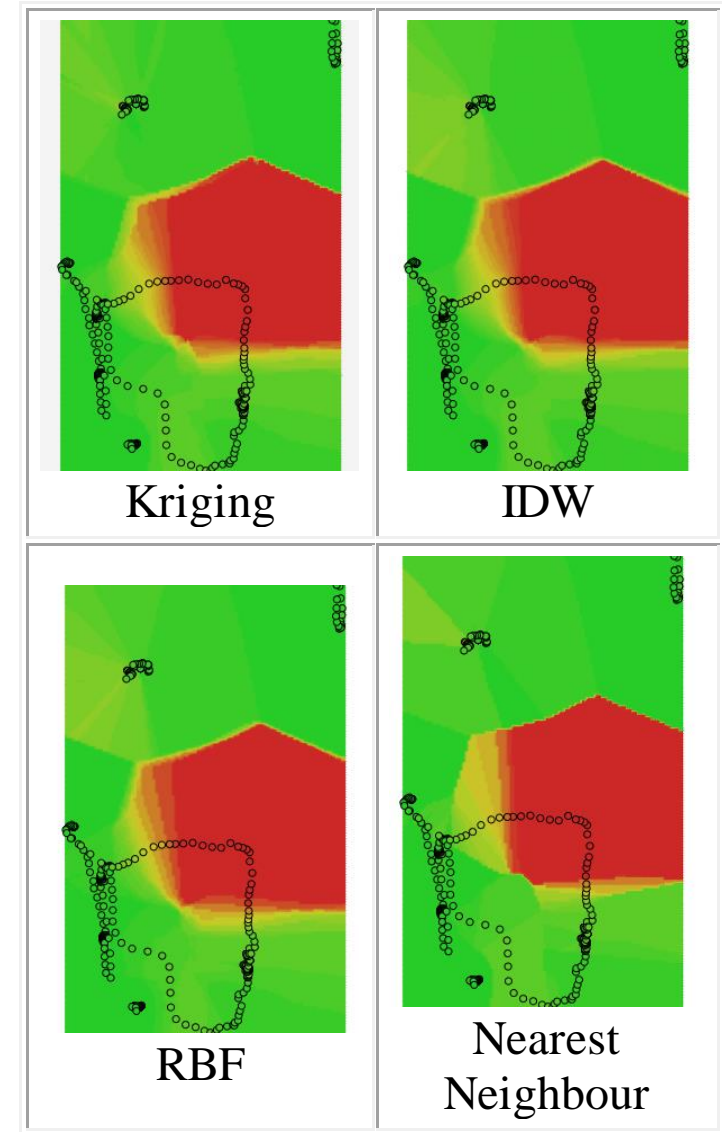
Interpolation

- Nearest Neighbour: Returns the value in the nearest point from the known measurement. Not really an interpolation method (included as reference)
- Inverse Distance Weighting (IDW): The result is the weighted average of the values in the surrounding points weighted with a function of the inverse distance of these points.
- Radial Basis Function Neural Net (RBF Net): The interpolation is done with a radial basis function neural net using the known points as centres for the radial basis function.
- Ordinary Kriging: Originating from geostatistics where the interpolated value is computed using a covariance function to give weights to the known points

Interpolation – test cases



ChNPP 725 days after accident

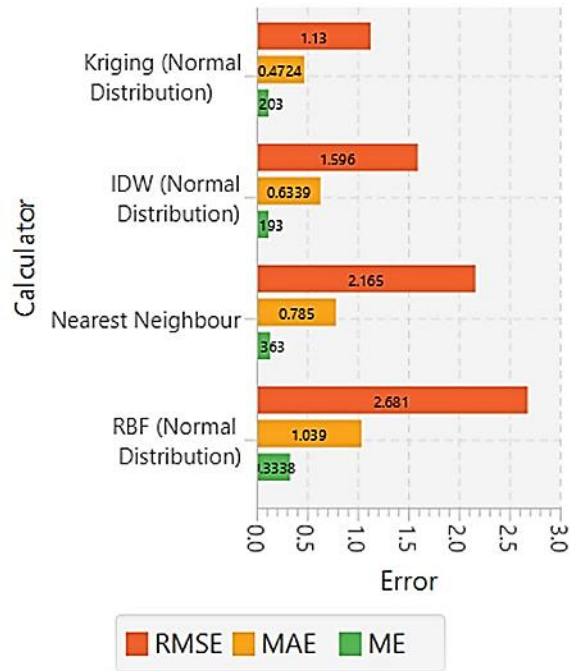


Fukushima Daiichi NPP

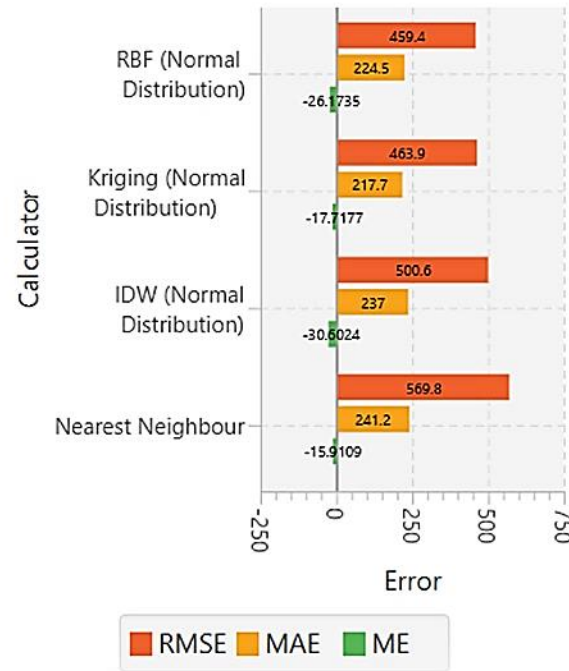
Interpolation – Cross-validation

10 fold cross-validation repeated 10 times

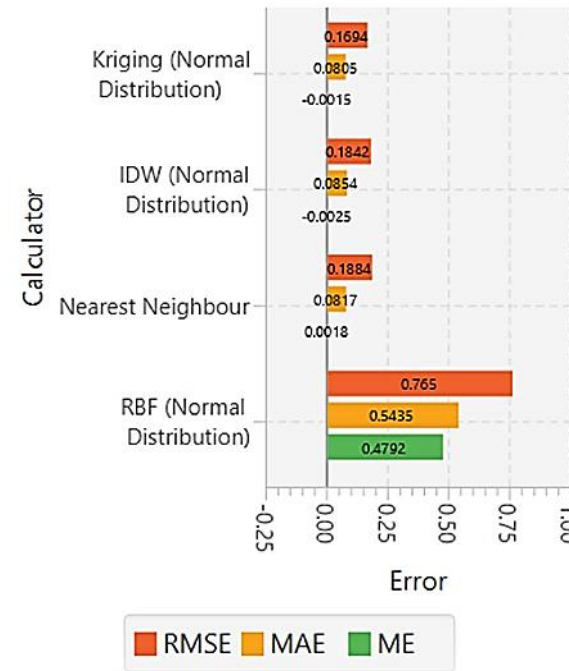
Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power...



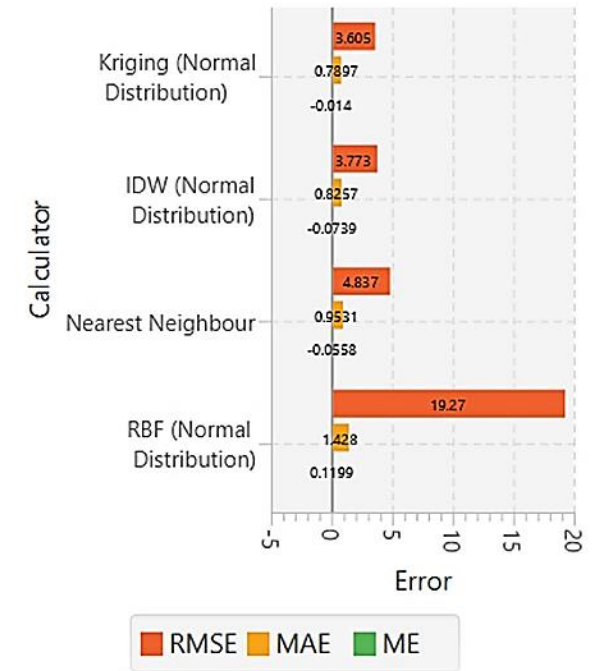
ChNPP Measurements 725 days ...



Lake Chagan Measurements



Andreeva Bay (SevRAO) Measure...



RMSE = Root Mean Squared Error

MAE = Mean Absolute Error

ME = Mean Error

Iguchi method

(07/10/99 Yukihiro Iguchi, JAEA)

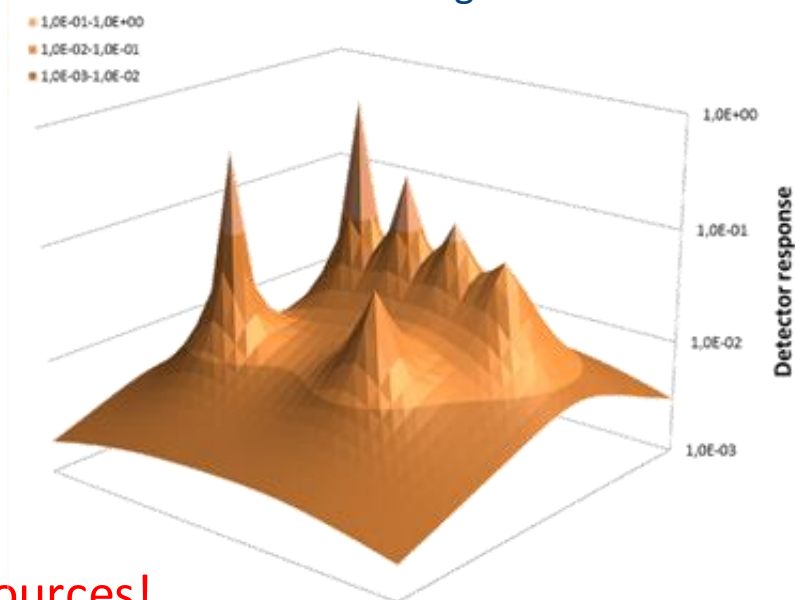
- Based on measures + *additional input information*:
- measuring positions =
location of sources (hot spots) + 1 background measurement

$$1. D_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{S_i \times R}{(r_{ij} + \alpha)^2} \Rightarrow \text{Linear equation system solved by Gaussian Elimination}$$

$$2. D_B = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{S_i \times R}{(r_{iB} + \alpha)^2} \Rightarrow \text{Use this to calculate } \alpha \text{ e.g. by Bisection Method}$$

$$3. \rightarrow D_P = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{S_i \times R}{(r_{iP} + \alpha)^2} \text{ Equation for arbitrary points (P)}$$

Sample mapping in an area containing 6 sources



Will give false information in case of unknown sources!

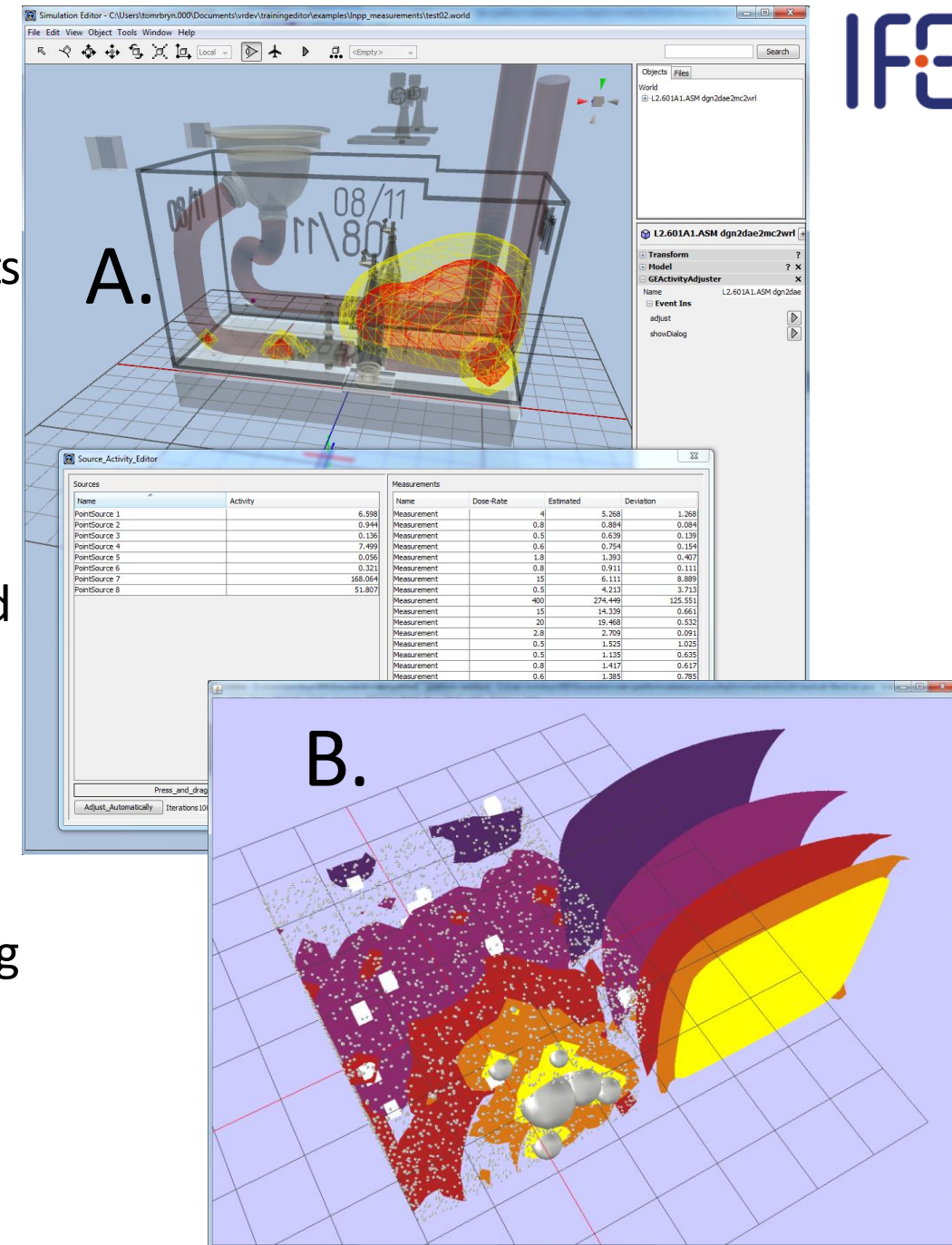
Source deconvolution

A. Input: 1. Set of shields (incl. air) 2. set of measurements
3. set of point sources (positions and isotope vectors)

- Method: Adjusts source strengths so that calculated values match measurements
- Tech: Custom genetic algorithm to solve a global optimisation problem where source strengths are found to optimise 'cost'
 - cost = square sum of the absolute difference between the measured and calculated

B. Position of the sources are unknown (prototype)

- Method: Generate a high number of point sources along the surfaces (e.g. walls)
- Tech: Same global optimisation algorithm



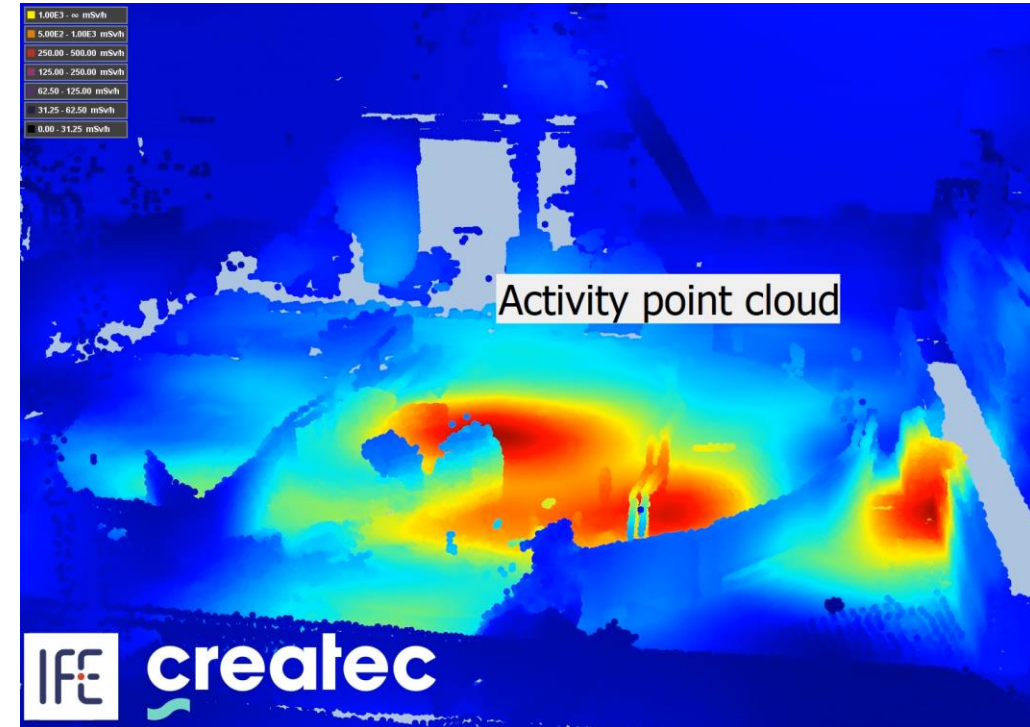
Source point clouds – gamma camera support

3D gamma scanners generate clouds of points with associated rad. properties (...)

How to use this in PK calculations?

- Oct tree to achieve (near) real-time speed
 - Sources are combined based on distance from 'detector'
 - Inaccuracy if a combined source is detected as shielded while in reality it's only partly shielded

Could be used to see simulate decontamination.



Single scatter ALBEDO

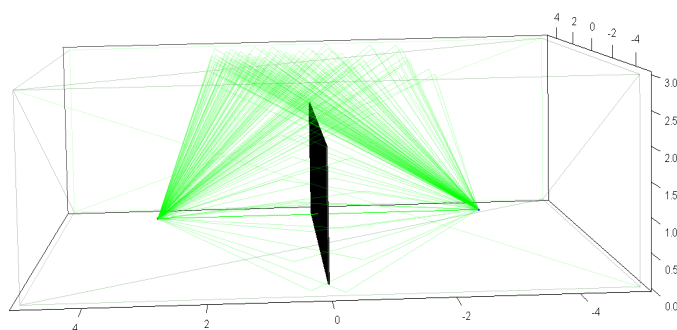
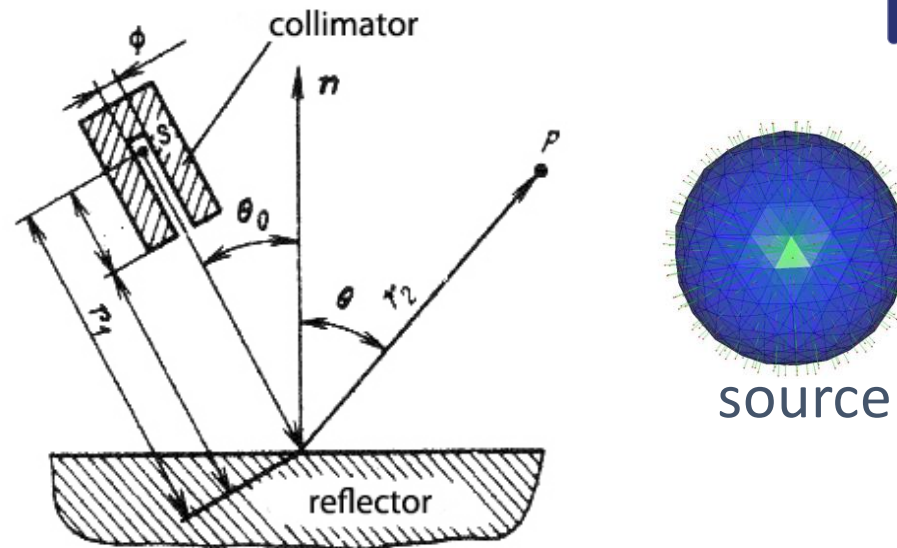
Method: Semi-empirical formula for single scatter albedo

Gusev et. al. 198. Shielding from Ionizing Radiation. Vol.1. Physical Fundamentals for Shielding from Radiation (ISBN 5-283-02971-9)

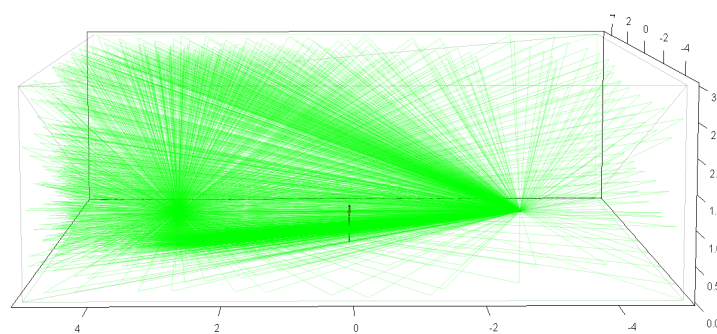
Tech: R script

Conclusions:

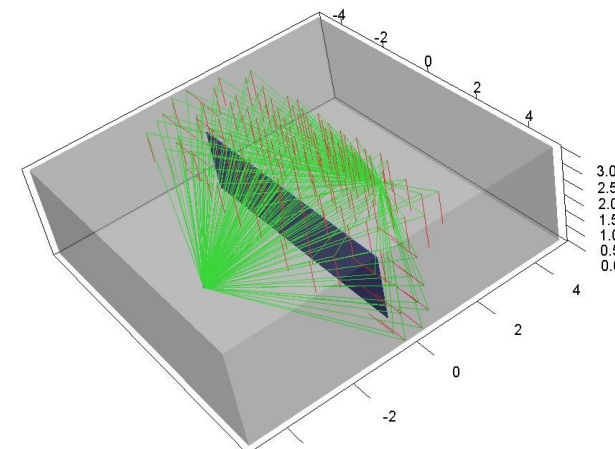
- Dose from 'reflection' = 2% of direct dose with no shielding
- Dose from 'reflection' is comparable with direct dose with shields > cm lead
- Method is sensitive to resolution i.e. nr of faces of the polyhedron representing the source



Albedo = $2.3 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mSv/h
 Direct dose rate = $5.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mSv/h



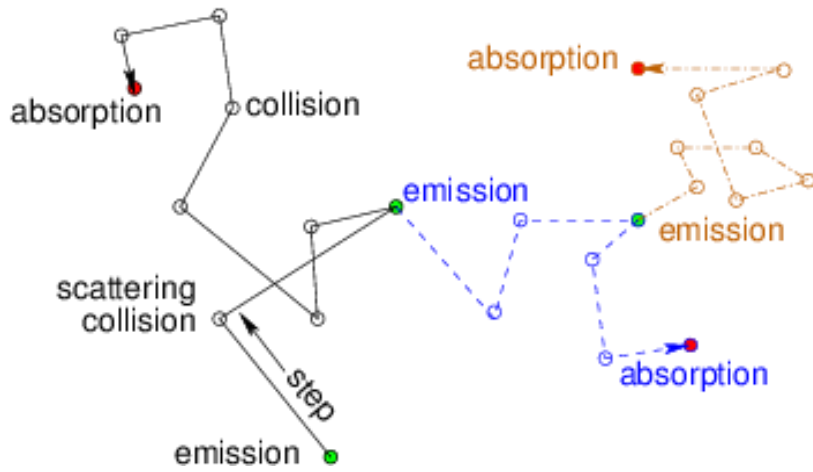
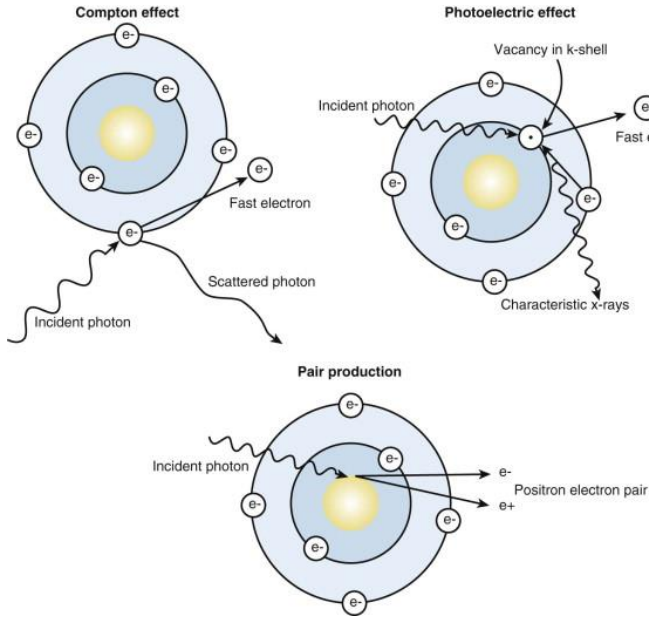
Albedo = $4.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mSv/h
 Direct dose rate = $5.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mSv/h



test case

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Monte Carlo radiation transport - MCNP



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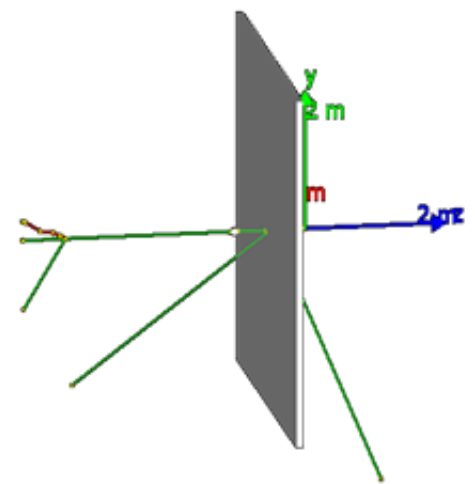
MCNP input file snippet:
c ----- cells -----
1 0 1 1imp:p 0.0
2 1 -0.001225 -2 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 910 911 912 913 1imp:p 1.0
3 2 -7.87 -3 88 1imp:p 1.0
4 3 -2.1 -1.4 40-51 89 86 87 88 89 910 911 912 913 1imp:p 1.0
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c ----- surfaces -----
1 800 -150.0 150.0 -40.000015 200.0 -170.999985 180.999985
2 800 -150.0 150.0 -40.000015 200.0 -170.999985 180.999985
3 1 800 -0.85 0.85 0.0 250.0 -100.0 100.0
4 800 -120.0 120.0 -20.999985 300.0 -130.0 170.0
5 800 -300.0 300.0 0.0 250.0 -150.0 150.0
6 5 50.0 100.0 -50.0 2.0
7 5 50.0 100.0 0.0 2.0
8 5 50.0 100.0 10.0 2.0
9 5 50.0 100.0 -10.0 2.0
10 5 100.0 100.0 0.0 3.0
11 5 100.0 100.0 50.0 3.0
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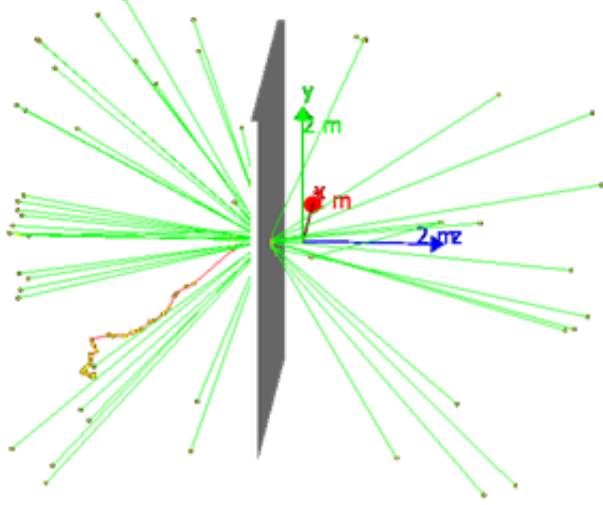
c ----- materials -----
c Iron (7.87 g/cm3)
m1 20000 1
c Ordinary Concrete (2.3 g/cm3)
m2 10000 0.004501
0000 0.002078
10000 0.001979
12000 0.001977
13000 0.010204
14000 0.108495
15000 0.007114
20000 0.014882
20000 0.001539
c Air (0.001225 g/cm3)
m3 7000 78 0000 21 10000 1
c ----- transformations -----
T01 0.0 0.0 50.0 1.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
c ----- other stuff -----
MODE:p

c ----- source -----
SDEF POS 50.0 100.0 0.0 ORG:1 pos=2
S11 1 1.171228 1.132402 0.662057
SP1 4.9925000411 4.9991296611 3.9990000512
r44p 5
c ----- conversion factors to K_air for tally 18 -----
D184 0.01 0.015 0.02 0.03 0.04 0.05 0.06 0.07 0.08 0.09 0.1 0.15 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8
1.0 1.5 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0 8.0 10.0
D184 7.6 3.21 1.73 0.739 0.438 0.328 0.292 0.308 0.372 0.6 0.856 1.38 1.89 2.38
2.84 3.69 4.67 6.12 7.51 9.89 12.0 13.9 15.0 19.5 23.2
r44p 6
c ----- conversion factors to K_air for tally 24 -----
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1.0 1.5 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0 8.0 10.0
D24 7.6 3.21 1.73 0.739 0.438 0.328 0.292 0.308 0.372 0.6 0.856 1.38 1.89 2.38
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r44p 7
c ----- conversion factors to K_air for tally 34 -----
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1.0 1.5 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0 8.0 10.0
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r44p 8
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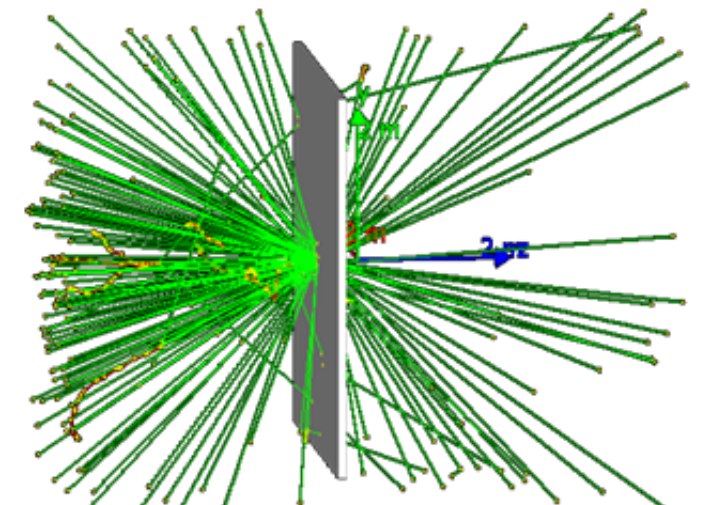
MCNP
means
Monte Carlo N-Particle Transport Code
[by acronymsandslang.com](http://by.acronymsandslang.com)



2 m

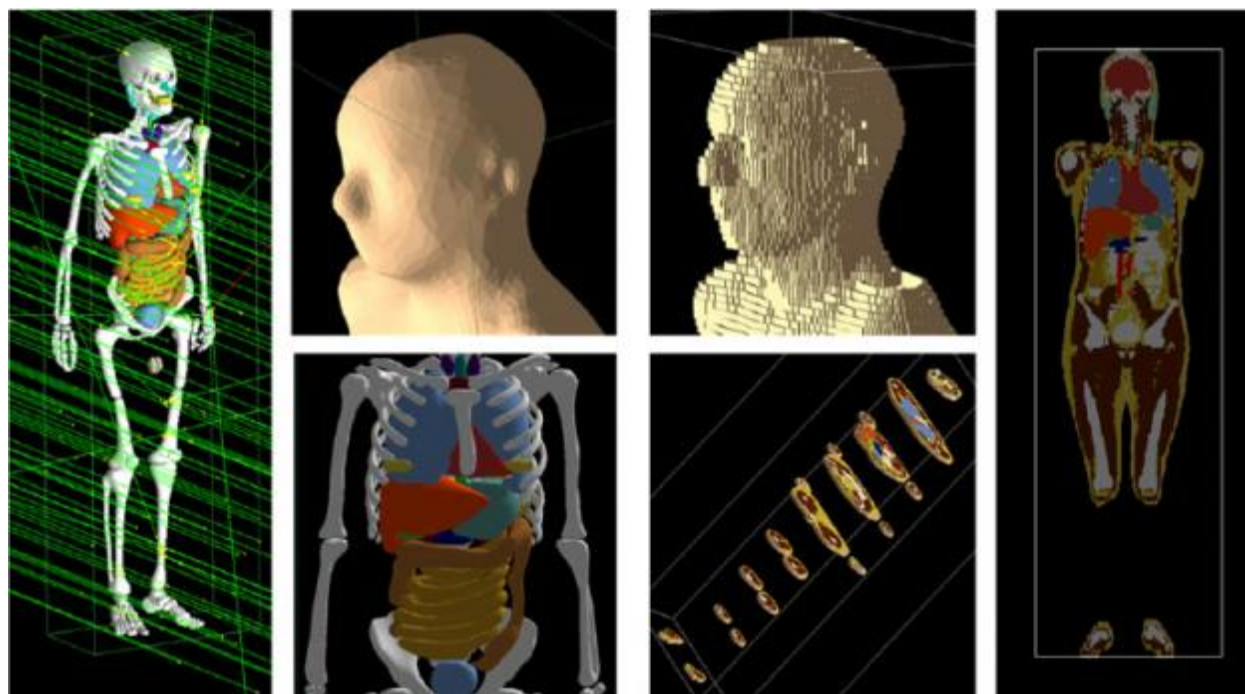


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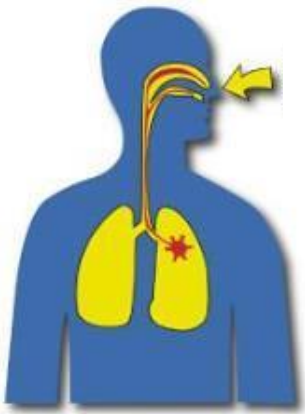


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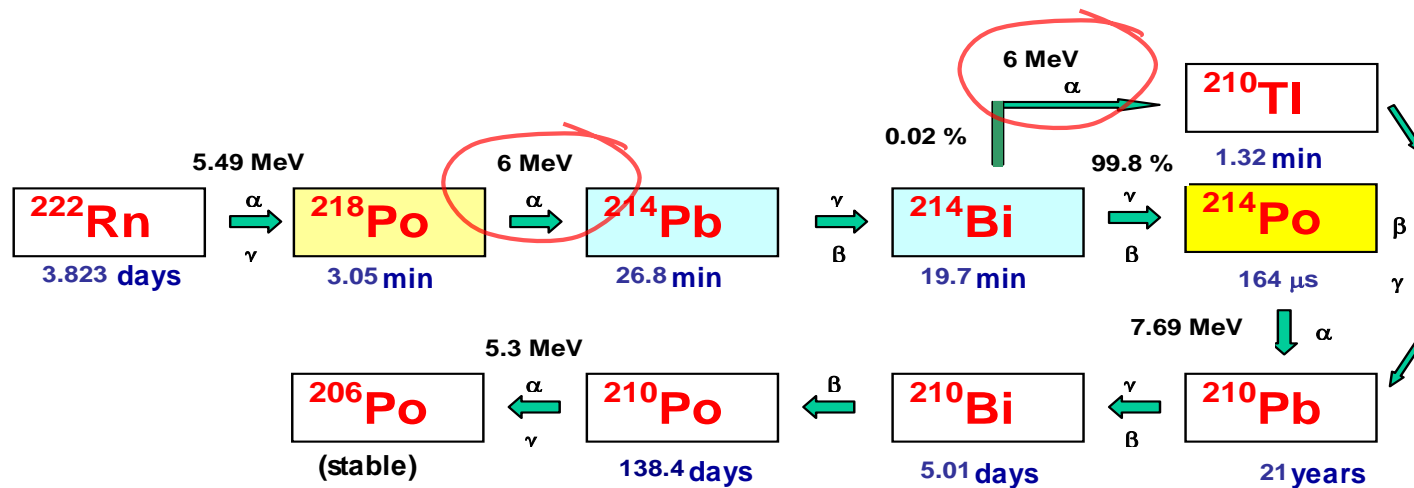
Human phantoms



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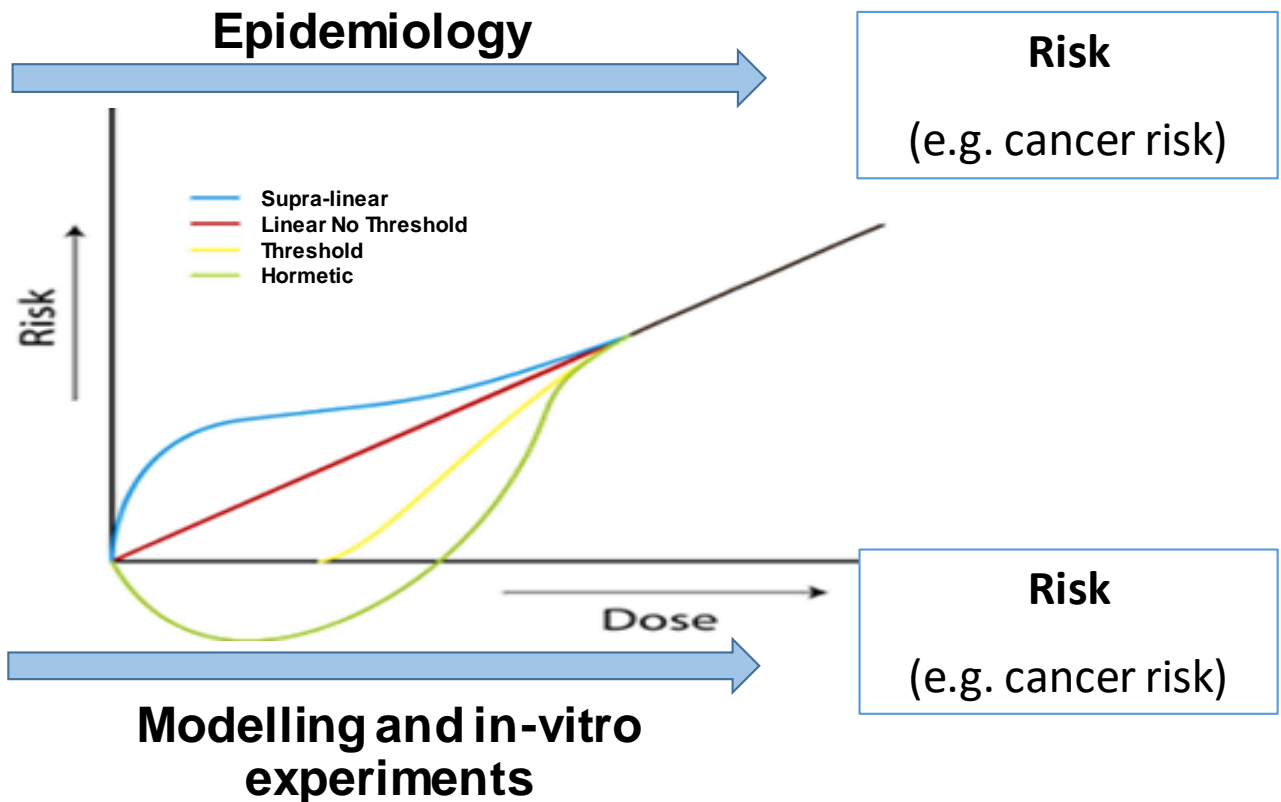


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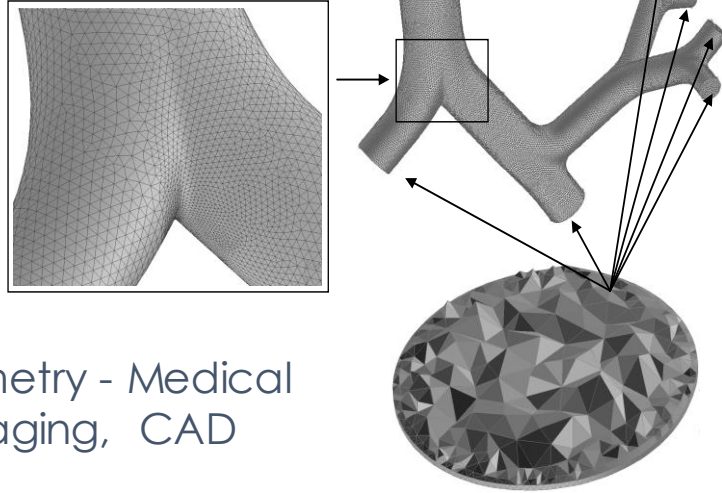


Overall dose
Effective dose
mSv

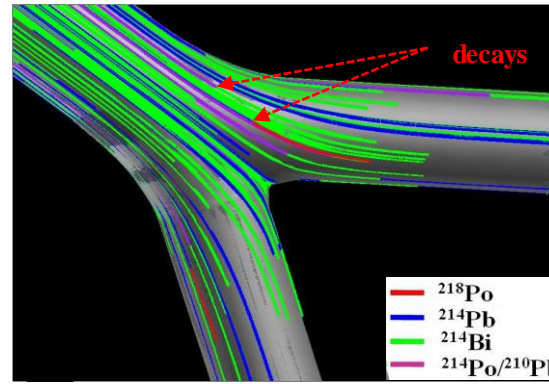
Details of rad. burden
Regional (e.g. lobe, airway specific) exposure rate, events on cellular level



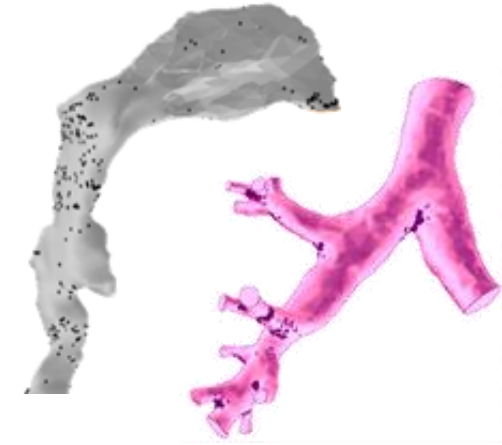
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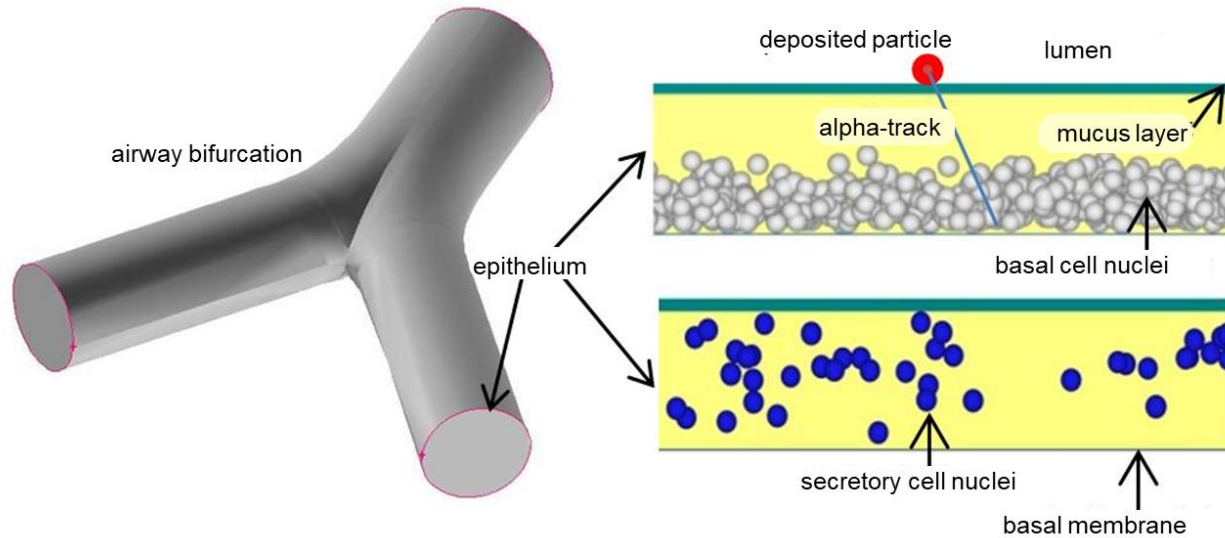
Geometry - Medical imaging, CAD



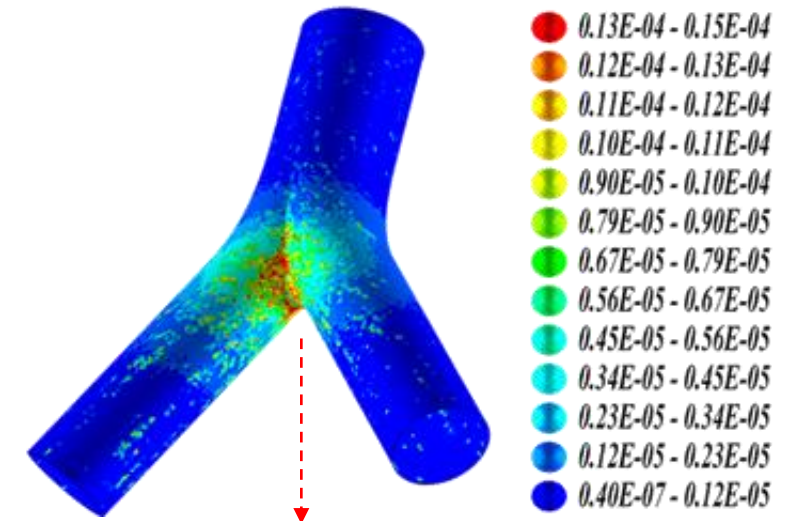
Air & particle transport (and deposition) – custom CFD



Cell transformation probability direct effect

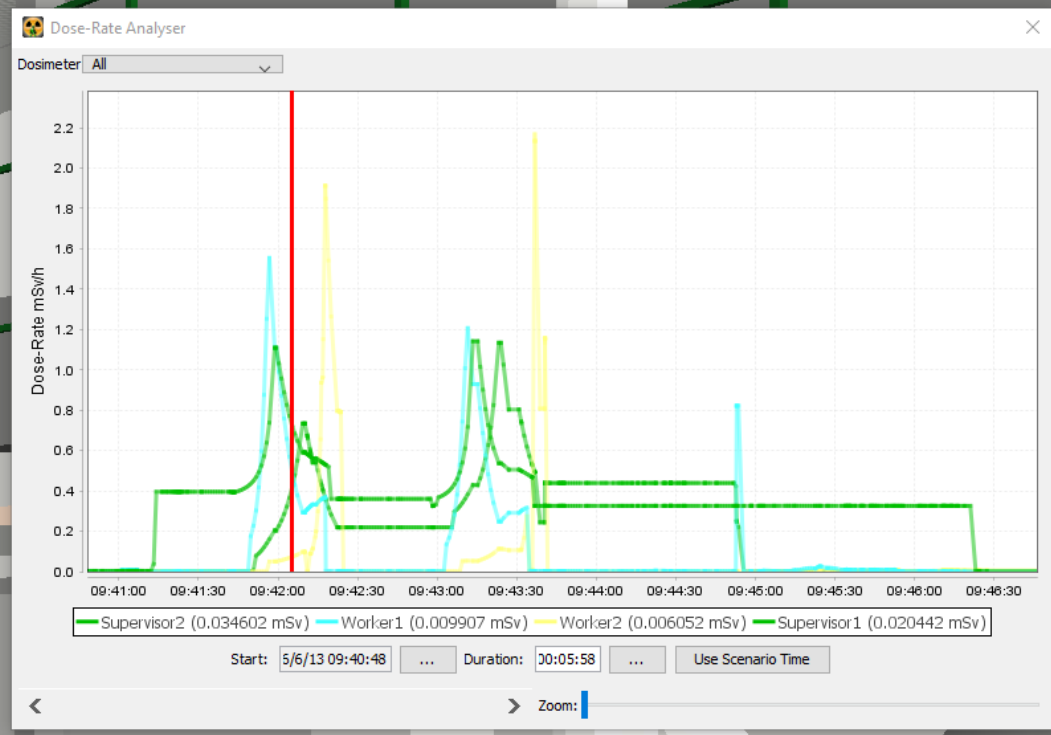


Epithelium modelling, Own-code

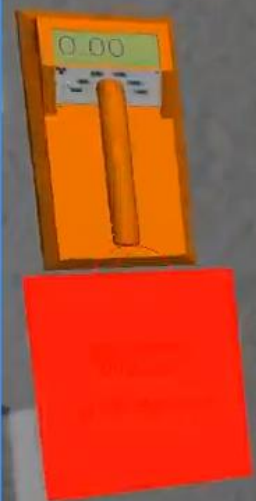


a - cell interactions - Own-code, lit. data

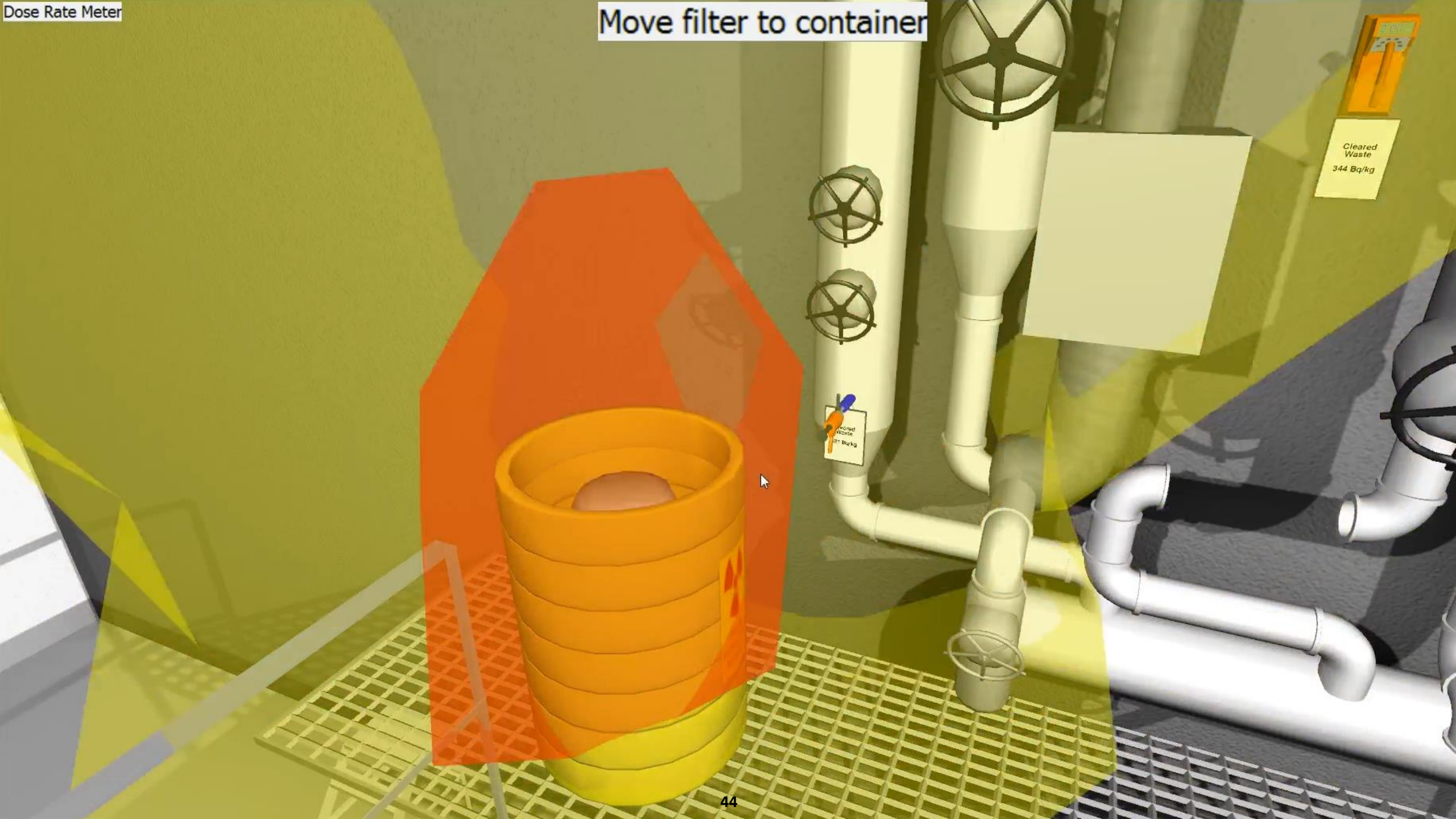
2.75 - ∞ mSv/h
1.38 - 2.75 mSv/h
0.00 - 1.38 mSv/h

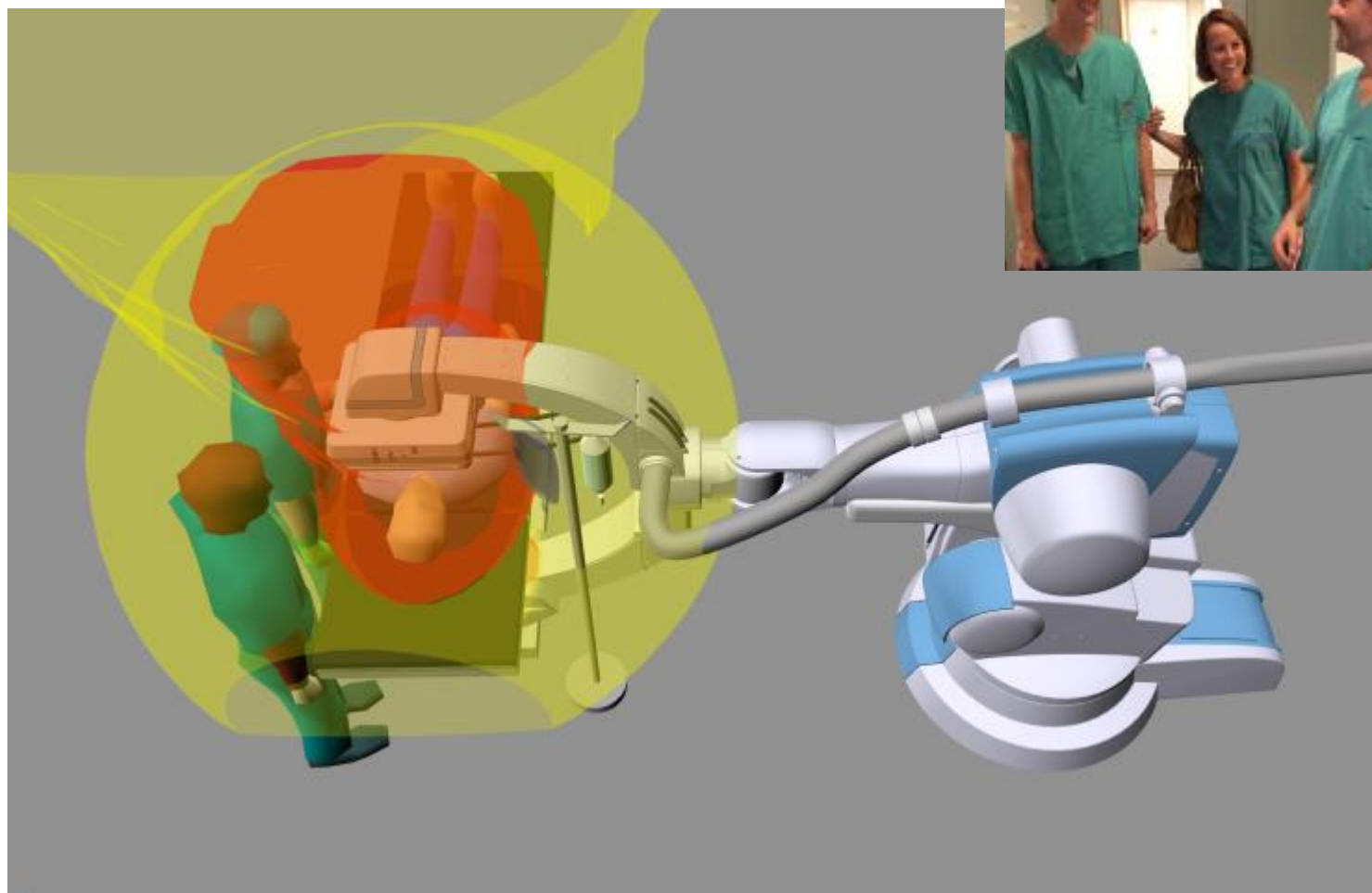
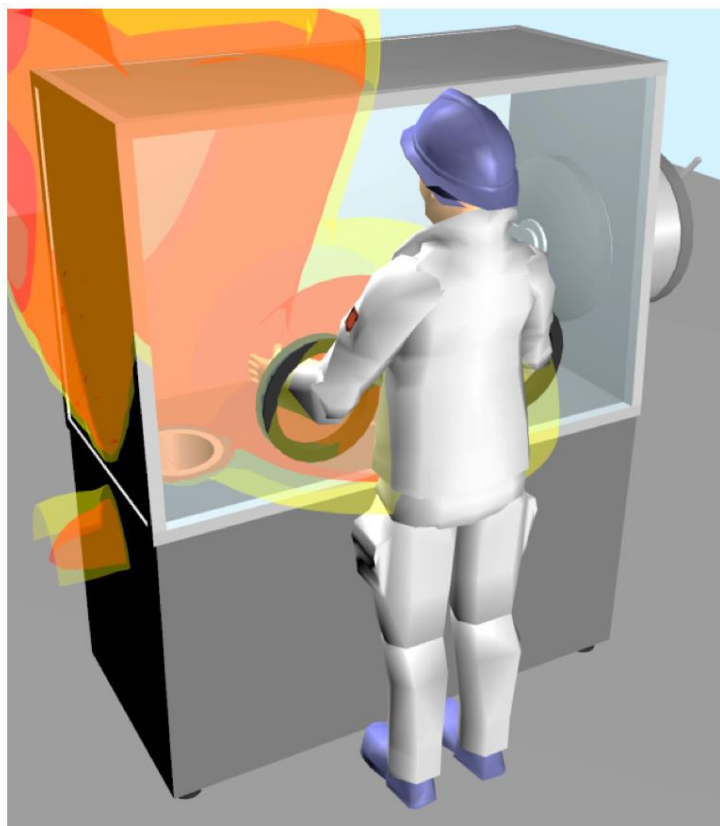


Perform core measurements



Move filter to container





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