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Subject: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12) [SOLVED]

Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2012 18:20:36 GMT

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Has anyone had any luck using geant4 with the current fairbase (10/10/12)?? If so, can you please reply. I am unable to run fairroot with geant4 and I need to know if the problem is because of a bug or because of my personal error.

I tried running the rutherford example,  
cd fairbase/examples/rutherford/macros  
root run\_rutherford.C  
And it seemed to run without a hitch.

However, run\_rutherford as it is in the repository uses Geant3. I want to use Geant4, so I replace run->SetName("TGeant3"); with run->SetName("TGeant4");

After I try to run\_rutherford.C again, I get a segmentation fault. The error is described in geant4SeFault.txt.

I naively copied g4libs.C from sep12/transport/geant4\_vmc into my sep12-build/share/root/macros and into my gconfig folder in my fairbase. Note: the g4libs.C was not found at all in my sep12 build folder, which might suggest that sep12 is faulty in this aspect. After copying g4libs.C into said folders, I ran rutherford again and obtained the error described in geant4now.txt. I don't know what else to try, so any help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance

#### File Attachments

- 1) [geant4SegFault.txt](#), downloaded 416 times
  - 2) [geant4now.txt](#), downloaded 424 times
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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Florian Uhlig](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 05:11:51 GMT

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Hi Raphael,

This is not a general problem of FairRoot, but a very special one and I am working on the problem. It is related with the fact that we define in the run\_rutherford.C macro a Alpha particle which is already predefined in Geant4. If you define in the FairIonGenerator a particle with Z,A,Q = 3,6,3 instead of the Alpha the macro will work.

I hope I will fix the problem today or tomorrow.

Ciao

Florian

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Florian Uhlig](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 10:12:36 GMT

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Hi Raphael,

the problem with Geant4 is fixed now, so please update your local working copy and try again.

Ciao

Florian

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 12:32:40 GMT

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Hi Florian,

I tried to updated my local copy

```
svn update
cd build
cmake ..
make
```

I then went to my rutherford directory and tried to run the rutherford example.

```
root run_rutherford.C
```

but I get the same segmentation fault. I pretty much get all the same errors outlined in my original post whether or not I copy g4libs.C into the directories fairroot thinks I should have them in.

I also tried changing the parameters of FairlonGenerator to be Z,A,Q = 3,6,3 and it still gave me the same segmentation fault. I even commented out both FairBoxGenerator and FairlonGenerator.

The macro works just fine with TGeant3.

Based on what I just told you, I am very convinced that fairroot doesn't know what Geant4 is. Did it work with your fairroot? If it worked on your fairroot and not mine, maybe it suggests that my fairroot is a little broken.

I'm going to try a couple more things out later today, but it looks like geant4 is, as of now, not working at all with fairroot, or at least mine.

Thank you for your help and reply. I really appreciate it.

-Raphael

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 12:54:07 GMT

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In PandaRoot Geant4 is working nicely, nobody has reported about errors or crashes. Then maybe you have somehow a screwed installation.

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 13:00:14 GMT

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Thank you Stefano.

I will try both installing PandaRoot and reinstalling FairRoot from scratch. Hopefully one of those approaches works.

As for my current setup, Geant4 also does not work with Tutorial1 and Tutorial2. I get the same error messages when as I do when I run rutherford.

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Florian Uhlig](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 13:06:47 GMT

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Hi Raphael,

now I see that you have a different error then I had. Could you please send me the output produced when running the run\_rutherford.C macro.

Also please send me the file config.sh from your build directory.

For me it looks like some of the environment variables are not set properly.

After my changes the run\_rutherford.C macro works as expected using only FairRoot.

Ciao

Florian

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 13:25:09 GMT

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Hi Florian,

I attached my segmentation fault error, my configure file to set the environment variables, and my current environment variables.

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Again, thank you for your timely response!

-Raphael

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#### File Attachments

- 1) [geant4segfault.txt](#), downloaded 423 times
  - 2) [fairroot\\_configure.sh](#), downloaded 339 times
  - 3) [environmentVariables.txt](#), downloaded 402 times
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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Florian Uhlig](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 18:27:45 GMT

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Hi Raphael,

after I have seen your fairroot\_config.sh script I don't wonder why it is not working. Many of the needed variables are missing.

You don't have to create such a file on your on. CMake creates a complete setup script during its run. You find the script in your fairroot build directory. It is called config.sh.

Please source this file to setup the complete environment which is needed to run fairroot.

Ciao

Florian

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)

Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 19:16:04 GMT

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Hi Florian,

Thank you for pointing out my mistake regarding the variable configuration. However, I have one last problem. Fairroot doesn't seem to have found the necessary file for GEANT4VMC\_MACRO\_DIR.

```
export GEANT4VMC_MACRO_DIR="GEANT4VMC_MACRO_DIR-NOTFOUND"
```

I'm going to attach my config.sh. Can someone tell me exactly what file is supposed to be there? In the meantime, I'm going to try to figure out why I have this problem.

Thank you,  
Raphael

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#### File Attachments

- 1) [config.sh](#), downloaded 385 times
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Posted by [Raphael Cervantes](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2012 21:04:10 GMT  
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I'm actually missing what is supposed to go in /sep12-build/share/geant4\_vmc/macro. What is supposed to go in that directory is g4libs.C  
I'm not sure how to go about it because everytime I do ./configure.sh in sep12, it thinks that everything is fine. I'm tempted in completely removing sep12-lib and rebuilding it again. Does anyone have a better idea?

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Subject: Re: Geant4 not working with current fairbase (10/10/12)  
Posted by [Florian Uhlig](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2012 09:31:07 GMT  
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Hi Raphael,

please do the following steps to reinstall only the geant4vmc package.

1. Delete libgeant4vmc.so in the lib subdir of your installation directory. In your case the file is probably in /home/raphael/Documents/sep12-build/
2. Delete the following directory in the main source directory of the external packages:  
"transport/geant4\_vmc"
3. Do a "svn update" in the main source directory of the external packages.
4. Rerun the configure.sh script. This should reinstall geant4\_vmc
5. Remove the build directory of your FairRoot installation.
6. Rebuild FairRoot

After this I hope you will have a correct config.sh script and a running version of FairRoot.

Ciao

Florian

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