

Geant4 Geometry

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Introduction





Detector geometry

- Three conceptual layers
 - G4VSolid -- shape, size
 - G4LogicalVolume -- daughter physical volumes,

material, sensitivity, user limits, magnetic field, visualization attributes, etc.

- G4VPhysicalVolume -- *position, rotation*



Define detector geometry



- A volume is placed in its mother volume. Position and rotation of the daughter volume is described with respect to the local coordinate system of the mother volume. The origin of mother volume's local coordinate system is at the center of the mother volume
 - Daughter volume cannot protrude from mother volume.

Geometrical hierarchy

- One logical volume can be placed more than once. One or more volumes can be placed in a mother volume.
- Note that the mother-daughter relationship is an information of G4LogicalVolume.
 - If the mother volume is placed more than once, all daughters are by definition to appear in all of mother physical volumes.
- The world volume must be a unique physical volume which fully contains all the other volumes.
 - The world volume defines the global coordinate system. The origin of the global coordinate system is at the center of the world volume.
 - Position of a track is given with respect to the global coordinate system.



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G4VUserDetectorConstruction





User classes

- main()
 - Geant4 does not provide main().

Note : classes written in red are mandatory.

- Initialization classes
 - Use G4RunManager::SetUserInitialization() to define in main()
 - Invoked at the initialization
 - G4VUserDetectorConstruction
 - G4VUserPhysicsList
- Action classes
 - Use G4RunManager::SetUserAction() to define in main()
 - Invoked during an event loop
 - G4VUserPrimaryGeneratorAction
 - G4UserRunAction
 - G4UserEventAction
 - G4UserStackingAction
 - G4UserTrackingAction
 - G4UserSteppingAction

G4VUserDetectorConstruction

```
// $Id: G4VUserDetectorConstruction.hh,v 1.4 2001/07/11 10:08:33 gunter Exp $
// GEANT4 tag $Name: geant4-08-00-patch-01 $
//
```

```
#ifndef G4VUserDetectorConstruction_h
#define G4VUserDetectorConstruction_h 1
```

```
class G4VPhysicalVolume;
```

```
// class description:
11
// This is the abstract base class of the user's mandatory initialization class
// for detector setup. It has only one pure virtual method Construct() which is
// invoked by G4RunManager when it's Initialize() method is invoked.
// The Construct() method must return the G4VPhysicalVolume pointer which represents
// the world volume.
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class G4VUserDetectorConstruction
  public:
    G4VUserDetectorConstruction():
    virtual ~G4VUserDetectorConstruction();
  public:
    virtual G4VPhysicalVolume* Construct() = 0;
3;
#endif
          Construct() should return the pointer of the world physical volume.
          The world physical volume represents all of your geometry setup.
```

Describe your detector

- Derive your own concrete class from G4VUserDetectorConstruction abstract base class.
- Implement the method Construct()
 - 1) Construct all necessary materials
 - 2) Define shapes/solids
 - 3) Define logical volumes
 - 4) Place volumes of your detector geometry
 - 5) Associate (magnetic) field to geometry (optional)
 - 6) Instantiate sensitive detectors / scorers and set them to corresponding volumes *(optional)*
 - 7) Define visualization attributes for the detector elements (optional)
 - 8) Define regions (optional)
- Set your construction class to G4RunManager
- It is suggested to modularize Construct() method w.r.t. each component or subdetector for easier maintenance of your code.

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1) Shape of volume





G4VSolid

- Abstract class. All solids in Geant4 are derived from it.
- It defines but does not implement all functions required to:
 - compute distances between the shape and a given point
 - check whether a point is inside the shape
 - compute the extent of the shape
 - compute the surface normal to the shape at a given point
- User can create his/her own solid class.



Solids

- Solids defined in Geant4:
 - CSG (Constructed Solid Geometry) solids
 - G4Box, G4Tubs, G4Cons, G4Trd, ...
 - Analogous to simple GEANT3 CSG solids
 - Specific solids (CSG like)
 - ▶ G4Polycone, G4Polyhedra, G4Hype, ...
 - BREP (Boundary REPresented) solids
 - G4BREPSolidPolycone, G4BSplineSurface, ...
 - Any order surface
 - Boolean solids
 - ▶ G4UnionSolid, G4SubtractionSolid, ...



CSG: G4Box, G4Tubs

G4Box(const G4String &pname, // name G4double half_x, // X half size G4double half_y, // Y half size G4double half_z); // Z half size



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Other CSG solids



Specific CSG Solids: G4Polycone

G4Polycone(const G4String& pName,

G4double phiStart,

G4double phiTotal,

G4int numRZ,

const G4double r[],

const G4double z[]);

- **numRZ** numbers of corners in the **r**, **z** space
- **r**, **z** coordinates of corners





Other Specific CSG solids



BREP Solids

- BREP = Boundary REPresented Solid
- Listing all its surfaces specifies a solid
 - e.g. 6 planes for a cube
- Surfaces can be
 - planar, 2nd or higher order
 - elementary BREPS
 - Splines, B-Splines,

NURBS (Non-Uniform B-Splines)

- advanced BREPS
- Few elementary BREPS pre-defined
 - box, cons, tubs, sphere, torus, polycone, polyhedra
- Advanced BREPS built through CAD systems



Boolean Solids

- Solids can be combined using boolean operations:
 - G4UnionSolid, G4SubtractionSolid, G4IntersectionSolid
 - Requires: 2 solids, 1 boolean operation, and an (optional) transformation for the 2nd solid
 - 2nd solid is positioned relative to the coordinate system of the 1st solid
 - Result of boolean operation becomes a solid. Thus the third solid can be combined to the resulting solid of first operation.
- Solids to be combined can be either CSG or other Boolean solids.
- <u>Note</u>: tracking cost for the navigation in a complex Boolean solid is proportional to the number of constituent CSG solids



Boolean solid



Boolean Solids - example

```
G4VSolid* box = new G4Box("Box", 50*cm, 60*cm, 40*cm);
```

```
G4VSolid* cylinder
```

= new G4Tubs("Cylinder",0.,50.*cm,50.*cm,0.,2*M PI*rad);

G4VSolid* union

= new G4UnionSolid("Box+Cylinder", box, cylinder);

```
G4VSolid* subtract
```

- = new G4SubtractionSolid("Box-Cylinder", box, cylinder,
 - 0, G4ThreeVector(30.*cm,0.,0.));

```
G4RotationMatrix* rm = new G4RotationMatrix();
```

```
rm->RotateX(30.*deg);
```

```
G4VSolid* intersect
```

```
= new G4IntersectionSolid("Box&&Cylinder",
```

```
box, cylinder, rm, G4ThreeVector(0.,0.,0.));
```

The origin and the coordinates of the combined solid are the same as those of the first solid.

Tessellated solids

- **G4TessellatedSolid** (since 8.1)
 - Generic solid defined by a number of facets (G4VFacet)
 - Facets can be triangular (G4TriangularFacet) or quadrangular (G4QuadrangularFacet)
 - Constructs especially important for conversion of complex geometrical shapes imported from CAD systems
 - But can also be explicitly defined:
 - By providing the vertices of the facets in *anti-clock wise* order, in *absolute* or *relative* reference frame
 - GDML binding



A CAD imported assembly with tessellated solids - release 8.1

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2) Logical Volume





G4LogicalVolume

G4LogicalVolume(G4VSolid* pSolid,

G4Material* pMaterial,

const G4String &name,

G4FieldManager* pFieldMgr=0,

G4VSensitiveDetector* pSDetector=0,

```
G4UserLimits* pULimits=0);
```

- Contains all information of volume except position and rotation
 - Shape and dimension (G4VSolid)
 - Material, sensitivity, visualization attributes
 - Position of daughter volumes
 - Magnetic field, User limits, Region
- Physical volumes of same type can share a common logical volume object.
- The pointers to solid must **NOT** be null.
- The pointers to material must **NOT** be null for tracking geometry.
- It is not meant to act as a base class.

Computing volumes and weights

 Geometrical volume of a generic solid or boolean composition can be computed from the <u>solid volume</u>:

```
G4double GetCubicVolume();
```

- Exact volume is determinatively calculated for most of CSG solids, while estimation based on Monte Carlo integration is given for other solids.
- Overall weight of a geometry setup (sub-geometry) can be computed from the logical volume:

```
G4double GetMass(G4bool forced=false,
```

```
G4bool propagate=true, G4Material* pMaterial=0);
```

- The computation may require a considerable amount of time, depending on the complexity of the geometry.
- The return value is cached and reused until *forced*=true.
- Daughter volumes will be neglected if *propagate*=false.

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Logical volume Region





Region

- A region may have its unique
 - Production thresholds (cuts)
 - If a region in the mass geometry does not have its own production thresholds, those of the default region are used (i.e., may not be those of the parent region).
 - User limits
 - Artificial limits affecting to the tracking, e.g. max step length, max number of steps, min kinetic energy left, etc.
 - You can set user limits directly to logical volume as well. If both logical volume and associated region have user limits, those of logical volume wins.
 - User region information
 - E.g. to implement a fast Boolean method to identify the nature of the region.
 - Fast simulation manager
 - Regional user stepping action
 - Field manager
- Please note :
 - World logical volume is recognized as the default region. User is not allowed to define a region to the world logical volume.

Root logical volume

- A logical volume can be a region. More than one logical volumes may belong to a region.
- A region is a part of the geometrical hierarchy, i.e. a set of geometry volumes, typically of a sub-system.
- A logical volume becomes a root logical volume once a region is assigned to it.
 - All daughter volumes belonging to the root logical volume share the same region, unless a daughter volume itself belongs to another root.
- Important restriction :
 - No logical volume can be shared by more than one regions, regardless of root volume or not.



G4Region

• A region is instantiated and defined by

```
G4Region * aRegion = new G4Region("region_name");
```

```
aRegion->AddRootLogicalVolume(aLogicalVolume);
```

- Region propagates down to all geometrical hierarchy until the bottom or another root logical volume.
- Production thresholds (cuts) can be assigned to a region by

```
G4Region* aRegion
```

```
= G4RegionStore::GetInstance()->GetRegion("region_name");
```

G4ProductionCuts* cuts = new G4ProductionCuts;

cuts->SetProductionCut(cutValue);

aRegion->SetProductionCuts(cuts);

G4Region class

- G4Region class may take following quantities:
 - void SetProductionCuts(G4ProductionCuts* cut);
 - void SetUserInformation(G4VUserRegionInformation* uri);
 - void SetUserLimits(G4UserLimits* ul);
 - void SetFastSimulationManager(G4FastSimulationManager* fsm);
 - void SetRegionalSteppingAction(G4UserSteppingAction* rusa);
 - void SetFieldManager(G4FieldManager* fm);
- Please note:
 - If any of the above properties are not set for a region, properties of the world volume (i.e. default region) are used. Properties of mother region do not propagate to daughter region.

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3) Physical volume





Physical Volumes

- Placement volume : it is one positioned volume
 - One physical volume object represents one "real" volume.
- Repeated volume : a volume placed many times
 - One physical volume object <u>represents</u> any number of "real" volumes.
 - reduces use of memory.
 - Parameterised
 - repetition w.r.t. copy number
 - Replica and Division
 - simple repetition along one axis
- A mother volume can contain either
 - many placement volumes
 - or, one repeated volume



placement



repeated

Physical volume

- G4PVPlacement 1 Placement = One Placement Volume
 - A volume instance positioned once in its mother volume
- G4PVParameterised 1 Parameterized = Many Repeated Volumes
 - Parameterized by the copy number
 - Shape, size, material, sensitivity, vis attributes, position and rotation can be parameterized by the copy number.
 - You have to implement a concrete class of G4VPVParameterisation.
 - Reduction of memory consumption
 - Currently: parameterization can be used only for volumes that either
 a) have no further daughters, or
 - b) are identical in size & shape (so that grand-daughters are safely fit inside).
 - By implementing G4PVNestedParameterisation instead of G4VPVParameterisation, material, sensitivity and vis attributes can be parameterized by the copy numbers of ancestors.



Physical volume

- G4PVReplica 1 Replica = Many Repeated Volumes
 - Daughters of same shape are aligned along one axis
 - Daughters fill the mother completely without gap in between.
- G4PVDivision 1 Division = Many Repeated Volumes
 - Daughters of same shape are aligned along one axis and fill the mother.
 - There can be gaps between mother wall and outmost daughters.
 - No gap in between daughters.
- G4ReflectionFactory 1 Placement = a pair of Placement volumes
 - generating placements of a volume and its reflected volume
 - Useful typically for end-cap calorimeter
- G4AssemblyVolume 1 Placement = a set of Placement volumes
 - Position a group of volumes

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Physical volume 1) G4PVPlacement





G4PVPlacement

• Single volume positioned relatively to the mother volume.


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Physical volume 2) G4PVParameterised





G4PVParameterised(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMother, const EAxis pAxis, const G4int nReplicas, G4VPVParameterisation* pParam G4bool pSurfChk=false);

- Replicates the volume nReplicas times using the parameterization pParam, within the mother volume pMother
- **pAxis** is a "suggestion" to the navigator along which Cartesian axis replication of parameterized volumes dominates.
 - kXAxis, kYAxis, kZAxis : one-dimensional optimization
 - kUndefined : three-dimensional optimization

Parameterized Physical Volumes

- User should implement a class derived from G4VPVParameterisation abstract base class and define the following as a function of copy number
 - where it is positioned (transformation, rotation)
- Optional:
 - the size of the solid (dimensions)
 - the type of the solid, material, sensitivity, vis attributes
- All daughters must be fully contained in the mother.
- Daughters should not overlap to each other.
- Limitations:
 - Applies to simple CSG solids only
 - Granddaughter volumes allowed only for special cases
 - Consider parameterised volumes as "leaf" volumes
- Typical use-cases
 - Complex detectors
 - with large repetition of volumes, regular or irregular
 - Medical applications
 - the material in animal tissue is measured as cubes with varying material



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Geometry checking tools





Debugging geometries

- An protruding volume is a contained daughter volume which actually protrudes from its mother volume.
- Volumes are also often positioned in a same volume with the intent of not provoking intersections between themselves. When volumes in a common mother actually intersect themselves they are defined as overlapping.
- Geant4 does not allow for malformed geometries, neither protruding nor overlapping.
 - The behavior of navigation is unpredictable for such cases.
- The problem of detecting overlaps between volumes is bounded by the complexity of the solid models description.
- Utilities are provided for detecting wrong positioning



Optional checks at construction

 Constructors of G4PVPlacement and G4PVParameterised have an optional argument "pSurfChk".

```
G4PVPlacement(G4RotationMatrix* pRot,
    const G4ThreeVector &tlate,
    G4LogicalVolume *pDaughterLogical,
    const G4String &pName,
    G4LogicalVolume *pMotherLogical,
    G4bool pMany, G4int pCopyNo,
    G4bool pSurfChk=false);
```

- If this flag is true, overlap check is done at the construction.
 - Some number of points are randomly sampled on the surface of creating volume.
 - Each of these points are examined
 - If it is outside of the mother volume, or
 - If it is inside of already existing other volumes in the same mother volume.
- This check requires lots of CPU time, but it is worth to try at least once when you implement your geometry of some complexity.

Debugging run-time commands

- Built-in run-time commands to activate verification tests for the user geometry are defined
 - to start verification of geometry for overlapping regions based on a standard grid setup, limited to the first depth level

geometry/test/run Of geometry/test/grid_test

applies the grid test to all depth levels (may require lots of CPU time!)

geometry/test/recursive_test

shoots lines according to a cylindrical pattern

geometry/test/cylinder_test

to shoot a line along a specified direction and position

geometry/test/line_test

to specify position for the line_test

geometry/test/position

to specify direction for the line_test

geometry/test/direction

Debugging tools: DAVID

- DAVID is a graphical debugging tool for detecting potential intersections of volumes
- Accuracy of the graphical representation can be tuned to the exact geometrical description.
 - physical-volume surfaces are automatically decomposed into 3D polygons
 - intersections of the generated polygons are parsed.
 - If a polygon intersects with another one, the physical volumes associated to these polygons are highlighted in color (red is the default).
- DAVID can be downloaded from the Web as external tool for Geant4
 - http://geant4.kek.jp/~tanaka/



Debugging tools: OLAP

- Stand-alone batch application
 - Provided as extended example
 - Can be combined with a graphical environment and GUI •



daughters are protruding their mother

Geant4 Macro:



```
delta=59.3416
vol 1: point=(560.513,1503.21,-141.4)
vol 2: point=(560.513,1443.86,-141.4)
     ins=[2] PVName=[NewWorld:0] Type=[N] ...
[1]: ins=[0] PVName=[ECalEndcap:0] Type=[N] ..
[2]: ins=[1] PVName=[ECalEndcap07:38] Type=[N]
[0]: ins=[2] PVName=[NewWorld:0] Type=[N] ...
```

NavigationHistories of points of overlap (including: info about translation, rotation, solid specs)

Material scanner

- Measures material thickness in units of geometrical length, radiation length and interaction length.
 - It can be region sensitive, so that you can measure the thickness of one particular region.
- /control/matScan
 - scan Start material scanning.
 - theta Define theta range.
 - phi Define phi range.
 - singleMeasure Measure thickness for one particular direction.
 - eyePosition Define the eye position.
 - regionSensitive Set region sensitivity.
 - region Define region name to be scanned.

THANK YOU

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To learn more





Your detector construction

```
#ifndef MyDetectorConstruction h
#define MyDetectorConstruction h 1
#include "G4VUserDetectorConstruction.hh"
class MyDetectorConstruction
     : public G4VUserDetectorConstruction
public:
 G4VUserDetectorConstruction();
  virtual ~G4VUserDetectorConstruction();
 virtual G4VPhysicalVolume* Construct();
public:
  // set/get methods if needed
private:
  // granular private methods if needed
  // data members if needed
};
#endif
```

G4PVPlacement

G4PVPlacement(

• Single volume positioned relatively to the mother volume.



G4VSolid* solidChamber =

new G4Box("chamber", 100*cm, 100*cm, 10*cm);

G4LogicalVolume* logicChamber =

new G4LogicalVolume

(solidChamber, ChamberMater, "Chamber", 0, 0, 0);

G4VPVParameterisation* chamberParam =

new ChamberParameterisation();

G4VPhysicalVolume* physChamber =

new G4PVParameterised("Chamber", logicChamber,

logicMother, kZAxis, NbOfChambers, chamberParam);

G4VPVParameterisation : example

class ChamberParameterisation : public G4VPVParameterisation
{
 public:

ChamberParameterisation();

virtual ~ChamberParameterisation();

virtual void ComputeTransformation // position, rotation

(const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol) const;

virtual void ComputeDimensions // size

(G4Box& trackerLayer, const G4int copyNo,

const G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol) const;

virtual G4VSolid* ComputeSolid // shape

(const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol);

virtual G4Material* ComputeMaterial // material, sensitivity, visAtt

(const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol,

const G4VTouchable *parentTouch=0);

// G4VTouchable should not be used for ordinary parameterization

};

G4VPVParameterisation : example

```
void ChamberParameterisation::ComputeTransformation
(const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol) const
  G4double Xposition = \dots // w.r.t. copyNo
  G4ThreeVector origin (Xposition, Yposition, Zposition);
  physVol->SetTranslation(origin);
  physVol->SetRotation(0);
void ChamberParameterisation::ComputeDimensions
(G4Box& trackerChamber, const G4int copyNo,
 const G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol) const
  G4double XhalfLength = ... // w.r.t. copyNo
  trackerChamber.SetXHalfLength(XhalfLength);
  trackerChamber.SetYHalfLength(YhalfLength);
  trackerChamber.SetZHalfLength(ZHalfLength);
```

}

G4VPVParameterisation : example

```
G4VSolid* ChamberParameterisation::ComputeSolid
     (const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol)
Ł
 G4VSolid* solid;
  if(copyNo == ...) solid = myBox;
 else if(copyNo == ...) solid = myTubs;
  return solid;
G4Material* ComputeMaterial // material, sensitivity, visAtt
     (const G4int copyNo, G4VPhysicalVolume* physVol,
         const G4VTouchable *parentTouch=0);
 G4Material* mat;
  if(copyNo == ...)
   mat = material1;
   physVol->GetLogicalVolume()->SetVisAttributes( att1 );
  return mat;
}
```

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Divided volume





G4PVDivision

- G4PVDivision is a special kind of G4PVParameterised.
 - G4VPVParameterisation is automatically generated according to the parameters given in G4PVDivision.
- G4PVDivision is similar to G4PVReplica but
 - It currently allows gaps in between mother and daughter volumes
 - We are extending G4PVDivision to allow gaps between daughters, and also gaps on side walls. We plan to release this extension in near future.
- Shape of all daughter volumes must be same shape as the mother volume.
 - G4VSolid (to be assigned to the daughter logical volume) must be the same type, but different object.
- Replication must be aligned along one axis.
- If your geometry does not have gaps, use G4Replica.
 - For identical geometry, navigation of G4Replica is faster.



mother volume

G4PVDivision - 1

G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4int nDivisions, // number of division is given const G4double offset);

- The size (width) of the daughter volume is calculated as
 - ((size of mother) offset) / nDivisions



G4PVDivision - 2

G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4double width, // width of daughter volume is given const G4double offset);

• The number of daughter volumes is calculated as

```
int( ( (size of mother) - offset ) / width )
```

- As many daughters as width and offset allow



G4PVDivision - 3

G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4int nDivisions, const G4double width, // both number of division and width are given const G4double offset);

• *nDivisions* daughters of *width* thickness



G4PVDivision

- G4PVDivision currently supports following shapes / axes.
 - G4Box : kXAxis, kYAxis, kZAxis
 - G4Tubs : kRho, kPhi, kZAxis
 - G4Cons : kRho, kPhi, kZAxis
 - G4Trd : kXAxis, kYAxis, kZAxis
 - G4Para : kXAxis, kYAxis, kZAxis
 - G4Polycone : kRho, kPhi, kZAxis
 - kZAxis the number of divisions has to be the same as solid sections, (i.e. numZPlanes-1), the width will not be taken into account.
 - G4Polyhedra : kRho, kPhi, kZAxis
 - kPhi the number of divisions has to be the same as solid sides, (i.e. numSides), the width will not be taken into account.
 - kZAxis the number of divisions has to be the same as solid sections, (i.e. numZPlanes-1), the width will not be taken into account.
- In the case of division along kRho of G4Cons, G4Polycone, G4Polyhedra, if width is provided, it is taken as the width at the -Z radius; the width at other radii will be scaled to this one.

G4ReplicatedSlice

• New extension of G4Division introduced with version 9.4.

It allows gaps in between divided volumes. G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4int nDivisions, const G4double half_gap, const G4double offset); G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4double width, const G4double half_gap, const G4double offset); G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4double width, const G4double half_gap, const G4double offset); G4PVDivision(const G4String& pName, G4LogicalVolume* pDaughterLogical, G4LogicalVolume* pMotherLogical, const EAxis pAxis, const G4int nDivisions, const G4double width, const G4double half_gap, const G4double offset);



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Physical volume Replicated volume: G4PVReplica





Replicated Volumes

- The mother volume is completely filled with replicas, all of which are the same size (width) and shape.
- Replication may occur along:
 - Cartesian axes (X, Y, Z) slices are considered perpendicular to the axis of replication
 - Coordinate system at the center of each replica
 - Radial axis (Rho) cons/tubs sections centered on the origin and un-rotated
 - Coordinate system same as the mother
 - Phi axis (Phi) phi sections or wedges, of cons/tubs form
 - Coordinate system rotated such as that the X axis bisects the angle made by each wedge

a daughter logical volume to be replicated



mother volume

G4PVReplica(const G4String &pName,

G4LogicalVolume *pLogical,

G4LogicalVolume *pMother,

const EAxis pAxis,

const G4int nReplicas,

const G4double width,

const G4double offset=0.);

- offset may be used only for tube/cone segment
- Features and restrictions:
 - Replicas can be placed inside other replicas
 - Normal placement volumes can be placed inside replicas, assuming no intersection/overlaps with the mother volume or with other replicas
 - No volume can be placed inside a radial replication
 - Parameterised volumes cannot be placed inside a replica

Replica - axis, width, offset

- Cartesian axes **kXaxis**, **kYaxis**, **kZaxis**
 - Center of n-th daughter is given as

-width*(nReplicas-1)*0.5+n*width

- Offset shall not be used
- Radial axis kRaxis
 - Center of n-th daughter is given as

width*(n+0.5)+offset

- Offset must be the inner radius of the mother
- Phi axis kPhi
 - Center of n-th daughter is given as
 width*(n+0.5)+offset
 - Offset must be the starting angle of the mother



G4PVReplica : example

```
G4double tube dPhi = 2.* M_PI * rad;
G4VSolid* tube =
   new G4Tubs("tube", 20 \times cm, 50 \times cm, 30 \times cm, 0., tube dPhi);
G4LogicalVolume * tube log =
   new G4LogicalVolume(tube, Air, "tubeL", 0, 0, 0);
G4VPhysicalVolume* tube phys =
   new G4PVPlacement(0,G4ThreeVector(-200.*cm,0.,0.),
            "tubeP", tube log, world phys, false, 0);
G4double divided tube dPhi = tube dPhi/6.;
G4VSolid* div tube =
   new G4Tubs("div_tube", 20*cm, 50*cm, 30*cm,
        -divided tube dPhi/2., divided tube dPhi);
G4LogicalVolume* div tube log =
   new G4LogicalVolume(div tube,Pb,"div tubeL",0,0,0);
G4VPhysicalVolume* div tube phys =
   new G4PVReplica ("div tube phys", div tube log,
   tube log, kPhi, 6, divided tube dPhi);
```





Debugging run-time commands

• Example layout:

GeomTest: no daughter volume extending outside mother detected. GeomTest Error: Overlapping daughter volumes The volumes Tracker[0] and Overlap[0], both daughters of volume World[0], appear to overlap at the following points in global coordinates: (list truncated) length (cm) ----- start position (cm) ----- end position (cm) ------145.5 -145.5 0 -145.5 -240 240 -145.5 Which in the mother coordinate system are: length (cm) ----- start position (cm) ----- end position (cm) -----. . . Which in the coordinate system of Tracker[0] are: length (cm) ----- start position (cm) ----- end position (cm) -----. . . Which in the coordinate system of Overlap[0] are: length (cm) ----- start position (cm) ----- end position (cm) -----. . .