





Interaction with the GEANT4 kernel – part 2

Luciano Pandola INFN – Laboratori Nazionali del Sud

pandola@lns.infn.it

Geant4 Course, XIX Seminar on Software for Nuclear, Subnuclear and Applied Physics,
Alghero, June 6th- 10th, 2022

Part I: Sensitive Detectors

Sensitive Detector (SD)

- A logical volume becomes sensitive if it has a pointer to a sensitive detector (G4VSensitiveDetector)
 - A sensitive detector can be instantiated several times, where the instances are assigned to different logical volumes
 - Note that SD objects must have unique detector names
 - A logical volume can only have one SD object attached (But you can implement your detector to have many functionalities)
- Two possibilities to make use of the SD functionality:
 - Create your own sensitive detector (using class inheritance)
 - Highly customizable → not shown in this short course
 - Use Geant4 built-in tools: Primitive scorers

Adding sensitivity to a logical volume

- Create an instance of a sensitive detector and register it to the SensitiveDetector Manager
- Assign the pointer of your SD to the logical volume of your detector geometry
- Must be done in ConstructSDandField() of the user geometry class

```
G4VSensitiveDetector* mySensitive

= new MySensitiveDetector(SDname="/MyDetector"); instance

G4SDManager* sdMan =G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer(); Register to the SD manager

SetSensitiveDetector("LVname", mySensitive); assign to logical volume
```

Name of the logical volume

Adding sensitivity to a logical volume - variant

- Create an instance of a sensitive detector and register it to the SensitiveDetector Manager
- Assign the pointer of your SD to the logical volume of your detector geometry
- Must be done in ConstructSDandField() of the user geometry class

Pointer of the logical volume

Part II: Native Geant4 scoring

Extract useful information

- Geant4 provides a number of primitive scorers, each one accumulating one physics quantity (e.g. total dose) for an event
- This is alternative to the customized sensitive detectors (not shown in this course), which can be used with full flexibility to gain complete control
- It is convenient to use primitive scorers instead of user-defined sensitive detectors when:
 - you are not interested in recording each individual step, but accumulating physical quantities for an event or a run
 - you have not too many scorers

G4MultiFunctionalDetector

- G4MultiFunctionalDetector is a concrete class derived from G4VSensitiveDetector
- It should be assigned to a logical volume as a kind of (ready-for-the-use) sensitive detector
- It takes an arbitrary number of G4VPrimitiveScorer classes, to define the scoring quantities that you need
 - Each G4VPrimitiveScorer accumulates one physics quantity for each physical volume
 - E.g. G4PSDoseScorer (a concrete class of G4VPrimitiveScorer provided by Geant4) accumulates dose for each cell
- By using this approach, no need to implement sensitive detector and hit classes!

G4VPrimitiveScorer

- Primitive scorers (classes derived from G4VPrimitiveScorer) have to be registered to the G4MultiFunctionalDetector
 - ->RegisterPrimitive(),
 - ->RemovePrimitive()
- They are designed to score one kind of quantity (surface flux, total dose) and to generate one hit collection per event
 - automatically <u>named</u> as

<MultiFunctionalDetectorName>/<PrimitiveScorerName>

- hit collections can be retrieved in the EventAction or RunAction (as those generated by sensitive detectors)
- do not share the same primitive scorer object among multiple G4MultiFunctionalDetector objects (results may mix up!)
 - Create as many instances of the scorer as needed

myCellScorer/TotalSurfFlux myCellScorer/TotalDose

For example ...

```
MyDetectorConstruction::ConstructSDandField()
                                                    instantiate multi-
  G4MultiFunctionalDetector* myScorer = new
                                                   functional detector
  G4MultiFunctionalDetector("myCellScorer");
   myCellLog->SetSensitiveDetector(myScorer);
                                                     attach to volume
   G4VPrimitiveScorer* totalSurfFlux = new
                                                      create a primitive
                                                       scorer (surface
      G4PSFlatSurfaceFlux("TotalSurfFlux");
                                                      flux) and register
   myScorer->RegisterPrimitive(totalSurfFlux);
   G4VPrimitiveScorer* totalDose =
                                       new
                                                    create a primitive
      G4PSDoseDeposit("TotalDose");
                                                    scorer (total dose)
   myScorer->RegisterPrimitive(totalDose);
                                                      and register it
```

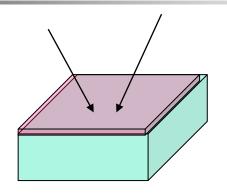
Some primitive scorers that you may find useful

- Concrete Primitive Scorers (→ Application Developers Guide 4.4.5)
 - Track length
 - G4PSTrackLength, G4PSPassageTrackLength
 - Deposited energy
 - G4PSEnergyDepsit, G4PSDoseDeposit
 - Current/Flux
 - G4PSFlatSurfaceCurrent,
 G4PSSphereSurfaceCurrent,G4PSPassageCurrent,
 G4PSFlatSurfaceFlux, G4PSCellFlux, G4PSPassageCellFlux
 - Others
 - G4PSMinKinEAtGeneration, G4PSNofSecondary, G4PSNofStep, G4PSCellCharge

A closer look at some scorers

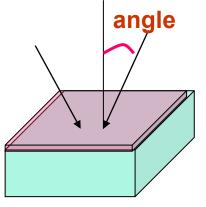
SurfaceCurrent:

Count number of injecting particles at defined surface.



CellFlux:

Sum of L / V of injecting particles in the geometrical cell.



SurfaceFlux:

Sum up 1/cos(angle) of injecting particles at defined surface

L: Total step length in the cell

V: Volume

V: Volume

G4VSDFilter

- A G4VSDFilter can be attached to G4VPrimitiveScorer to define which kind of tracks have to be scored (e.g. one wants to know surface flux of protons only)
 - G4SDChargeFilter (accepts only charged particles)
 - G4SDNeutralFilter (accepts only neutral particles)
 - G4SDKineticEnergyFilter (accepts tracks in a defined range of kinetic energy)
 - G4SDParticleFilter (accepts tracks of a given particle type)
 - G4VSDFilter (base class to create user-customized filters)

For example ...

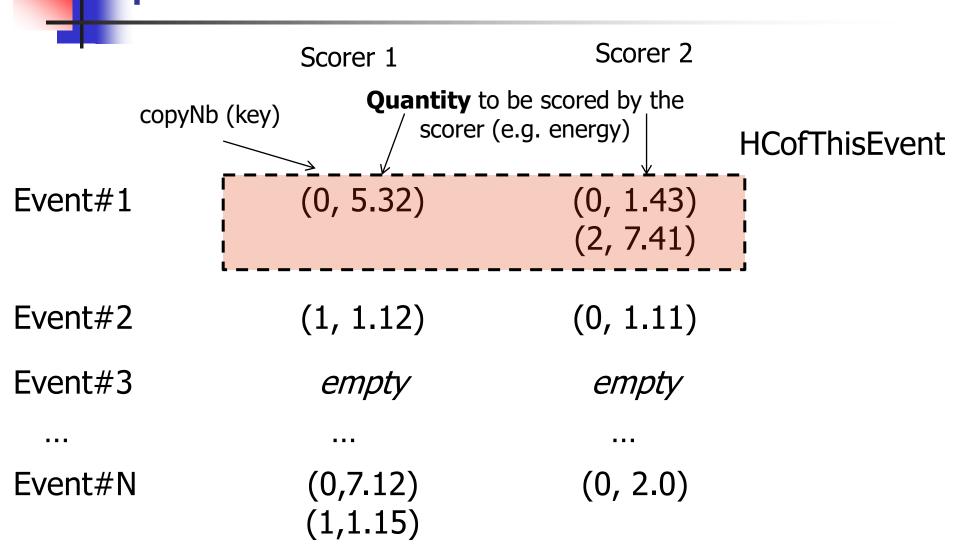
MyDetectorConstruction::ConstructSDandField()

```
create a primitive
G4VPrimitiveScorer* protonSurfFlux
                                                     scorer (surface
                                                     flux), as before
= new G4PSFlatSurfaceFlux("pSurfFlux");
 G4VSDFilter* protonFilter = new
                                                  create a particle
   G4SDParticleFilter("protonFilter");
                                                    filter and add
protonFilter->Add("proton");
                                                    protons to it
                                                  register the filter
protonSurfFlux->SetFilter(protonFilter);
                                                   to the primitive
                                                        scorer
myScorer->RegisterPrimitive(protonSurfFlux);
                                             register the scorer to the
                                              multifunc detector (as
                                                  shown before)
```

How to retrieve information - part 1

- At the end of the day, one wants to retrieve the information from the scorers
 - True also for the customized hits collection
- Each scorer creates a hit collection, which is attached to the G4Event object
 - Can be retrieved and read at the end of the event, using an integer ID
 - Hits collections mapped as G4THitsMap<G4double>* so can loop on the individual entries
 - Operator += provided which automatically sums up all hits (no need to loop manually)

How to retrieve information - part 2



```
//needed only once
G4int collID = G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer()
  ->GetCollectionID("myCellScorer/TotalSurfFlux");

Get ID for the collection (given the name)

Get all HC

G4HCofThisEvent* HCE = event->GetHCofThisEvent();

Get all HC

available in this event
```

Scorer 1 Scorer 2

Event#1 (0, 5.32) (0, 1.43) (2, 7.41)

```
//needed only once
                                                            Get ID for the
G4int collID = G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer()
                                                           collection (given
  ->GetCollectionID("myCellScorer/TotalSurfFlux");
                                                              the name)
                                                             Get all HC
G4HCofThisEvent* HCE = event->GetHCofThisEvent();
                                                           available in this
                                                               event
G4THitsMap<G4double>* evtMap =
                                                  Get the HC with the
    static cast<G4THitsMap<G4double>*>
                                                 given ID (need a cast)
    (HCE->GetHC(collID));
                                               HCofThisEvent
                                        Scorer 2
                      Scorer 1
                       (0, 5.32)
     Event#1
```

```
//needed only once
                                                           Get ID for the
G4int collID = G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer()
                                                          collection (given
  ->GetCollectionID("myCellScorer/TotalSurfFlux");
                                                             the name)
                                                            Get all HC
                                                          available in this
G4HCofThisEvent* HCE = event->GetHCofThisEvent();
                                                               event
G4THitsMap<G4double>* evtMap =
                                                  Get the HC with the
    static cast<G4THitsMap<G4double>*>
                                                given ID (need a cast)
    (HCE->GetHC(collID));
                                                   Loop over the
for (auto pair : *(evtMap->GetMap()))
                                                individual entries of
    G4double flux = *(pair.second);
                                                the HC: the key of the
    G4int copyNb = *(pair.first);
                                                 map is the copyNb,
                                                the other field is the
                                                    real content
```

```
Event#1 (0, 5.32) (0, 1.43) (2, 7.41) *(pair.second)
```

```
for (auto pair : *(evtMap->GetMap())) {
   G4double flux = *(pair.second);
   G4int copyNb = *(pair.first);
}
```

```
Loop1: copyNb = 0, value = 1.43
Loop2: copyNb = 2, value = 7.41
```

Hands-on session

- Task4
 - Task4c: Native scoring
 - Task4d: (Optional) Multi-threading
- Task5 (Optional)
 - Very similar to 4c, but on medical physics

- http://geant4.lns.infn.it/alghero2022/task4
- http://geant4.lns.infn.it/alghero2022/task5

Backup

```
//needed only once
                                                           Get ID for the
G4int collID = G4SDManager::GetSDMpointer()
                                                          collection (given
  ->GetCollectionID("myCellScorer/TotalSurfFlux");
                                                             the name)
                                                            Get all HC
                                                          available in this
G4HCofThisEvent* HCE = event->GetHCofThisEvent();
                                                               event
G4THitsMap<G4double>* evtMap =
                                                  Get the HC with the
    static cast<G4THitsMap<G4double>*>
                                                given ID (need a cast)
    (HCE->GetHC(collID));
                                                   Loop over the
for (auto pair : *(evtMap->GetMap()))
                                                individual entries of
    G4double flux = *(pair.second);
                                                the HC: the key of the
    G4int copyNb = *(pair.first);
                                                 map is the copyNb,
                                                the other field is the
                                                    real content
```