Philosophy, Principle, and Method for the CombLayer: Day Two

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DataBases

CombLayer provides two specialized DataBases

- Variable DataBase
- Materials DataBase

Variables

The variable system is the OLDEST part of CombLayer.
Variables:

- need to be set to be used.
- **only** are in the output file if read.
- can be set from the command line
- Can have type and be coded with (!)

Variable setting

Variables are set in a function defined in the setVariables namespace

```
1
2 Control.addVariable("LSupplyActive2",31);
3 Control.addVariable("LReturnPPt0",Geometry::Vec3D(0,30,0));
4 Control.addVariable("LStemWallMat","Stainless304");
5
6 // Add a variable based on something else
7 Control.addParse<double>("nmxBA0Length","nmxBALength+2.3");
```

Note: Type is inferred in addVariable but must be given in parse.

Usage of Variables

The variable state treated as **VOLITILE**

- All variables should be compile time constructed [if possible]
- Recored variable state within class
- Use a populate function
- FixedComp reads its OWN variables – other values via link-points and other pipe streams
- Bring state of all variable before object construction

Reading Variables

Example of some variables:

```
9
10 void
11 Mybox::populate(const FuncDataBase& Control)
12 {
13   ELog::RegMethod RegA("MyBox","populate");
14
15   leftPhase=Control.EvalVar<double>(keyName+"LeftPhase");
16   rightPhase=Control.EvalVar<double>(keyName+"RightPhase");
17
18   nSectors=Control.EvalVar<size_t>(keyName+"NSectors");
19   ModelSupport::populateRange(Control,nSectors,
20               keyName+"SectAngle",
21               leftPhase,rightPhase,sectPhase);
22
23 }
```

Make use of composite if appropiate.

Setting variables

Priority of variable setting :

1. Command line
2. xml file
3. default value

Setting variables from the command line

```
24
25      ./simpleBox -r -v MyBoxLength 3.4                \
26                     -v MyBoxPoint 'Vec3D(3,4,5)'      \
27                     -va MyBoxExtra 5.6                \
28                     -v MyBoxTitle 'This is a box'     \
29                     AA
```

1. double precision length
2. Vector values
3. Addition of non-existant variable
4. Setting a string

Setting variables from an XML file

Command Line::

```
./simpleBox -r -x MyBox.xml AA
```

XML file:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1" ?>
   <metadata_entry>
     <Variables>
     <variable name="MyBoxLength" type="double">3.4</variable>
     <variable name="MyBoxPoint" type="Geometry::Vec3D">
       3 4 5 </variable>
     <variable name="MyBoxName" type="std::string">
        This is my Name</variable>

    </Variables>
</metadata_entry>
```

Use the command -X to output an XML file of the variables.

Materials

The materials are handled by CombLayer in a database.
Accessing an existing material is done by **name** [1].

```
42 // in some variable file:
43    Control.addVariable("MyBoxWallMat","Stainless304");
44
45 // in populate:
46  wallMat=ModelSupport::EvalMat<int>(Control,keyName+"WallMat");
47
48 // Use it when constructing an object:
49 System.addCell(MonteCarlo::Qhull(cellIndex++,wallMat,0.0,Out));
```

wallMat should be an integer.

[1] Legacy number system available – don't even think about it!

Adding your favourite materials

First class materials can be added in DBMaterial.cxx.

```
50   // Material #112: Aluminum 5251
51   // (Dave Bellenger version for WaterMod aluminium)
52   // Total atom density 0.059693
53   MObj.setMaterial(112,"Alum5251",
54    "13027.24c 5.739771e-02 14028.70c 2.307178e-04 "
55                    "24000.50c 4.673301e-05 25055.70c 1.474348e-04 "
56    "26054.70c 8.477590e-06 26056.70c 1.330800e-04 "
57    "26057.24c 3.073398e-06 26058.70c 4.090129e-07 "
58    "22046.70c 4.188076e-06 22047.70c 3.776883e-06 "
59    "22048.70c 3.742363e-05 22049.70c 2.746363e-06 "
60    "22050.70c 2.629604e-06 29063.70c 2.644224e-05 "
61    "29065.70c 1.179672e-05 30000.70c 3.714985e-05 "
62    "12024.70c 1.263543e-03 12025.70c 1.599624e-04 "
63    "12026.70c 1.761186e-04","al.20t",MLib);
64   setMaterial(MObj);
```

Care with zaids please!!!

Adding your favourite materials (Part 2)

This is too much work! – Make a composite

```
65
66 // Mixture of 80% D2O with 20% H2O
67 Control.addVariable("RodsOuterMat","D2O%H2O%80.0");
```

Materials

The *-matDB* option allows "multiple" different data-bases, substitution of material names etc.

Object Composition

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- Each surface is a *discrete literal*
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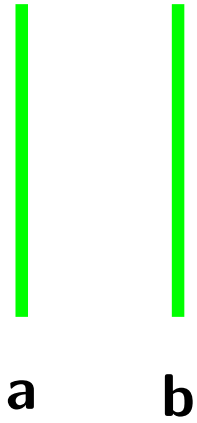

- Use can be made of $b \implies a$ and $a' \implies b'$
- b $\implies$ a := b'+a and a' $\implies$ b' := b+a'
- Add these rules as intersections to the main rule

CombLayer Provides:

- CNF / DNF resequencing [Quine Method]
- Weak boolean algebra division
- Doesn't provide two factor minimization [yet!]
- Selection of minimal literal format

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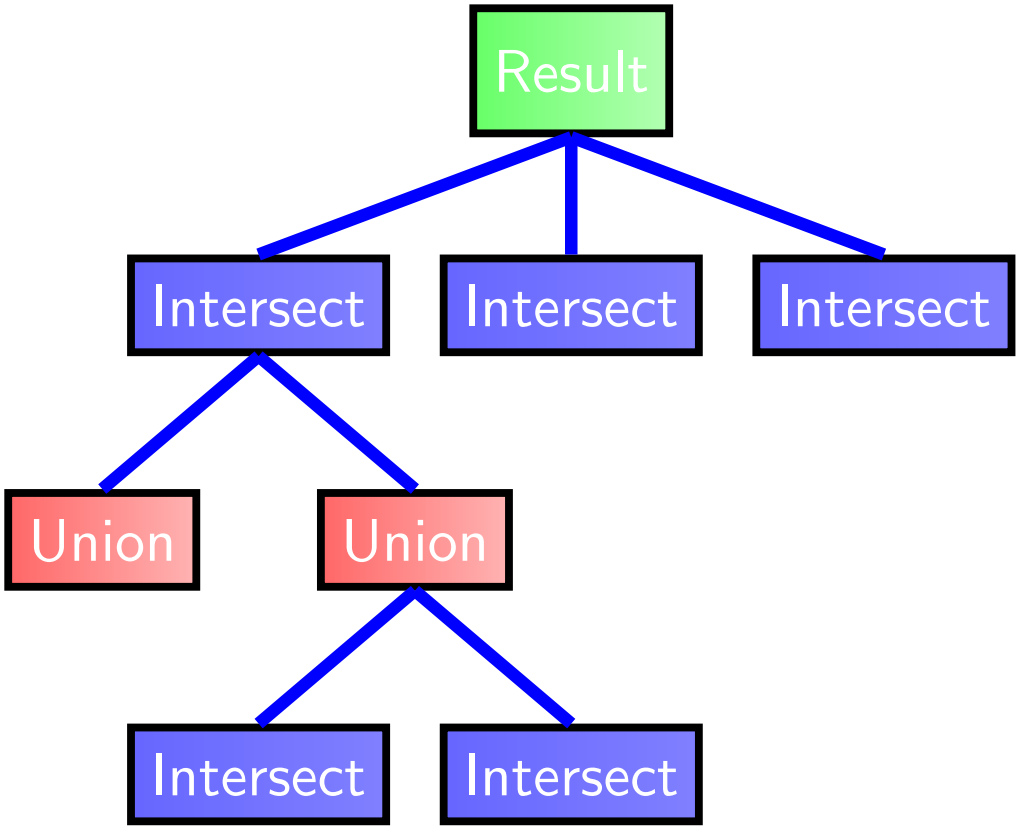

Level 0 : Surface List

Level 1 : Surface List

Level 2 : Surface List

- Maximize level 0 components
- Observe that interaction points can be calculated as level-0 sub units

How to use/achieve object interaction

This is a complex part of Comblayer.