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Main points and assumptions of my talk

- <u>Nearly all computer codes</u> in accelerator physics use a technological prejudice: the lens paradigm. We track from one surface to another. <u>Even space charge</u> codes use this approach although it is <u>incorrect</u> strictly speaking in the presence of collective effects.
- 2) This prejudice is grounded in a very reasonable assumption: most of our machines are made of magnets whose <u>properties are designed to be indepedent of the system in which they are</u> <u>embedded</u>--- like camera lenses. This is a wish, not a physical necessity. But it is almost true in our machines.
- 3) So, I accept the prejudices like all other lemmings.
- 4) With modern computer languages, we ought to project this lens approach on the silicon brain with maximal efficiency. For that purpose I joined the "C++" project that became Classic and later MAD9. I left it immediately when the SLAC people claimed that they knew what a "beam line" was. They did NOT. They simply decided to implement the old ideas in C++. Fine, no attempt at improving upon our misconceptions, so I lost interest.
- 5) In 2000, I decided to revisit this issue because I learned FORTRAN90, a language with pointers (and operator overloading). I was at KEK doing nothing useful, so why not?
- 6) So, I wrote a code, which I called "Small Code", which eventually had structures capable of handling almost arbitrary complex beam lines within the ubiquitous lens paradigm.
- 7) I give you here my *personal solution* to this problem. *There are many possibilities*. But the standard way of viewing a beam line as a sequence of magnets is certainly an incomplete and ultimately incompetent projection of our mathematical structures on the silicon brain (given modern languages like C++). This should have been understood in 1992. But, MAD9 and MAD-X later, too late....

The lens paradigm

Technological prejudicial assumptions shape particle tracking in Accelerators

Constrasting Physical Objects

• Ordinary devices (no prejudices)





Devices thought to be made out of lenses





Example of ordinary device: Detector

1. The field at one point is influenced by all parts of the device

2.All particles trajectories are potentially interesting: from left to right, right to left, top to bottom, etc...

3. Various particles are produced; you cannot specialize to a given mass, a given charge or a given energy.



Real simulation



The yellow areas schematically represent coils or metal which produces the B-field in the device. The orange lines represent symbolically the "action at a distance."

Therefore, the proper strategy is to apply the laws of physics *free of any technological prejudices*, as they are taught in a true scientific context. Let us call this the *"standard strategy."*

Summary from a programming standpoint

The Electro-Magnetic field is the Central Object of the Theory!

It should be the central class of your software!

 $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \vec{v}$ $\frac{d}{dt}m\gamma\vec{v} = q \ \vec{v}\times\vec{B}$

Lens type device



Lens Paradigm





Accelerator physicists write the "map" from surface A to surface B as the concatenation of the maps of the individual magnets and the empty space drifts.

 $\mathcal{M}_{AB} = \mathcal{M}_3 \circ \mathcal{D}_2 \circ \mathcal{M}_2 \circ \mathcal{D}_1 \circ \mathcal{M}_1$

Magnet based propagators

Magnet (viewed as hardware) \rightarrow propagator \rightarrow Dynamics

Local B field produced by magnet

Ergo, the most unsophisticated view of accelerator physics applies this view trivially, i.e., a beam line is an ordered sequences of magnets and their propagators.

A huge C++ project, called CLASSIC, which eventually collapsed, **did not go** beyond this. I hope to succeed in explaining how one needs to go beyond this to exploit the lens paradigm to its fullest.

! INPUT FOR PROGRAM MAD-X OF CERN

L : drift, L= 0.2; BEND : RBEND,L= 2.0, ANGLE=2.0*pi/10.0;

beamline : line = (BEND,L,BEND);





We should be able to simulate this situation!



- <u>But....</u>
- Ever tried to order a rotation from the factory? I call this *abject* oriented programming! S I
- There is a more fundamental problem this approach <u>does not</u> solve : next topic!

Examining Possible Structures



 $R=(m_1,m_2,m_3,...,m_n)$?

Detail View of Problematic Region







If m_{11} , m_{100} , m_{205} , and m_{315} are the same magnet, then they must be cloned if the recirculator is represented by an array

Is a beam line a (linked) list of magnet?

Actually no.....

Let us examine a "recirculator" to focus our minds on the shortcomings of a simple list of magnets.





How about a collider, say LHC?

LHC Example: Intersecting rings



Interaction regions with common magnets in LHC1 and LHC2

My Solution: double linked list of "Fibres"





- ROTY (the rotation) is not a "magnet" anymore.
- Recirculation is not a problem because we do not come back to the same fibre. But it points to the same magnet!
- It solves the "collider" issue for the same reasons. Notice that the fibre has a propagation direction.

