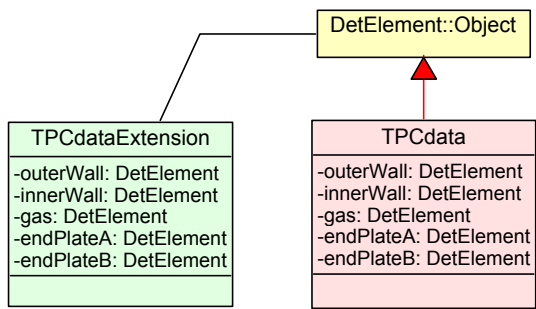
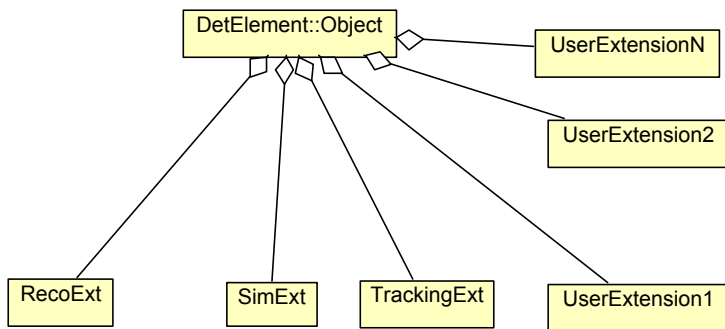
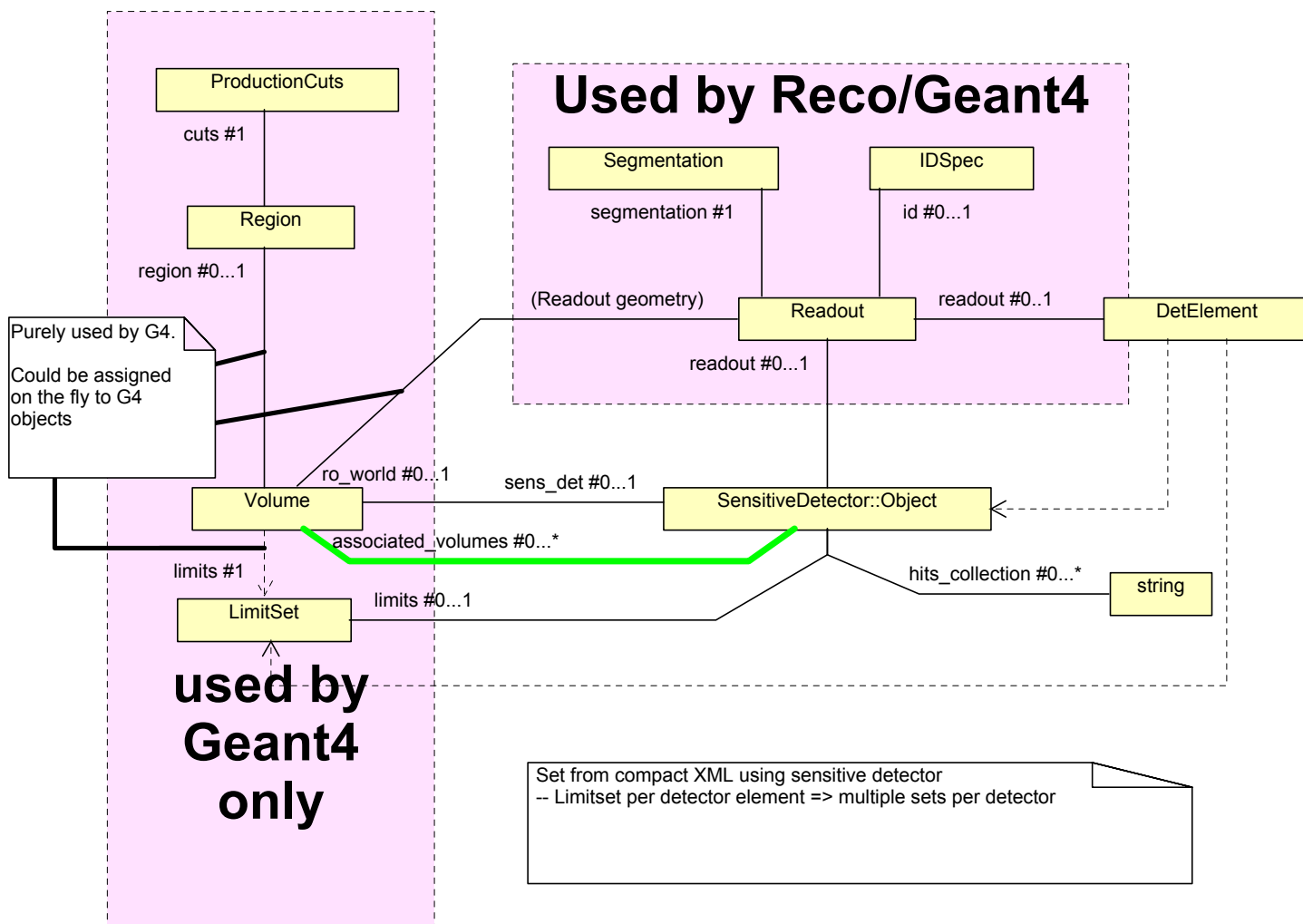


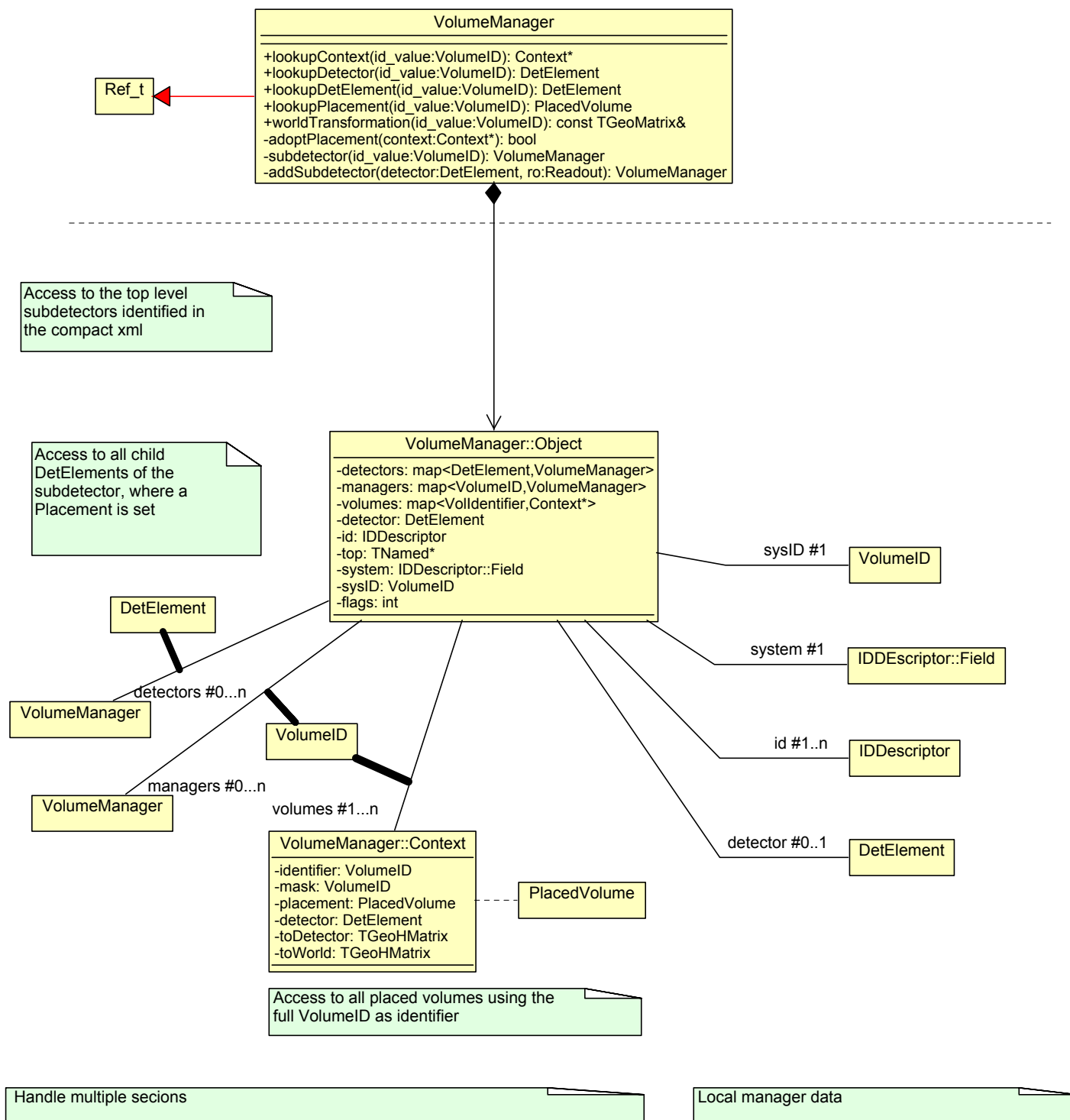
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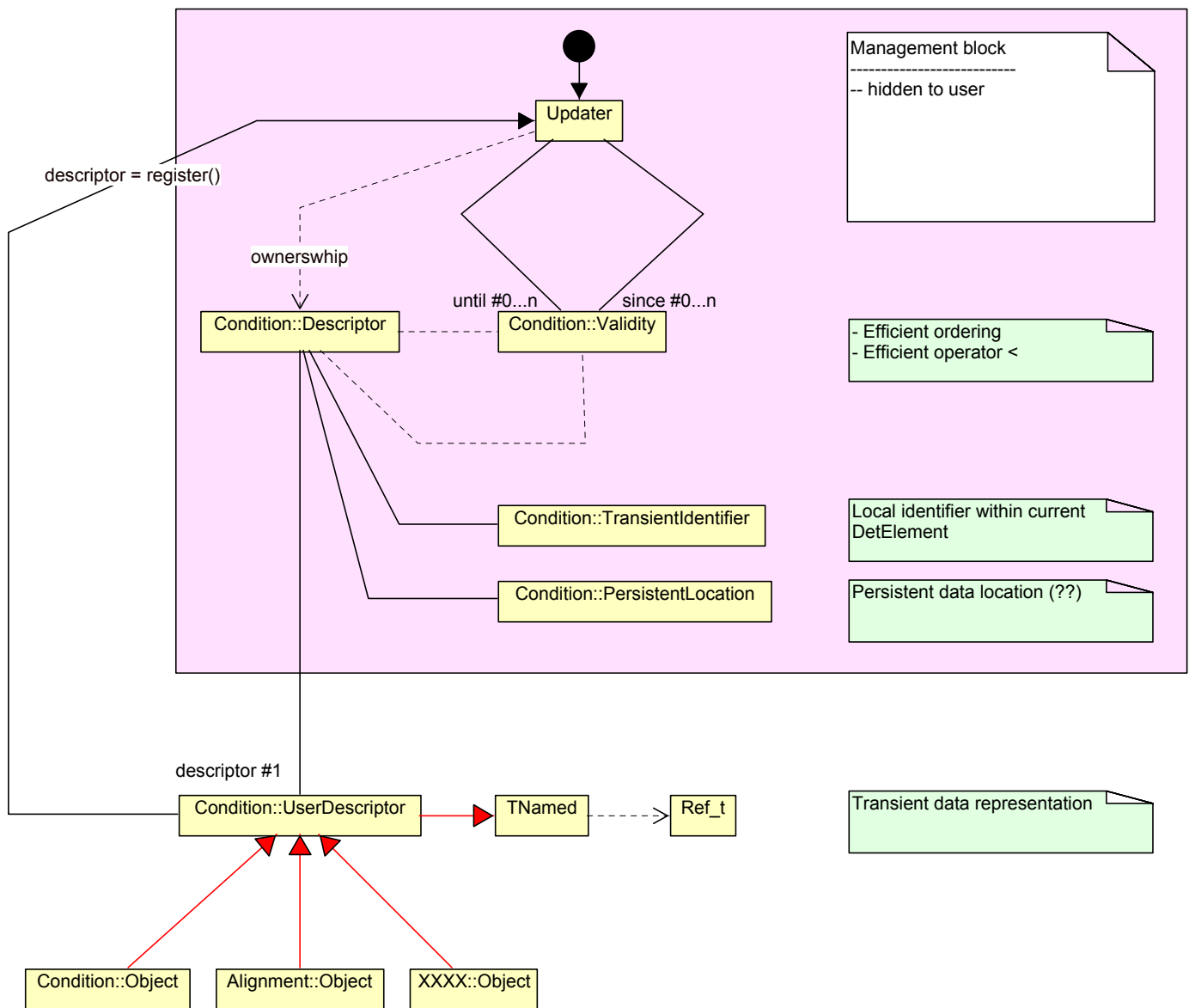
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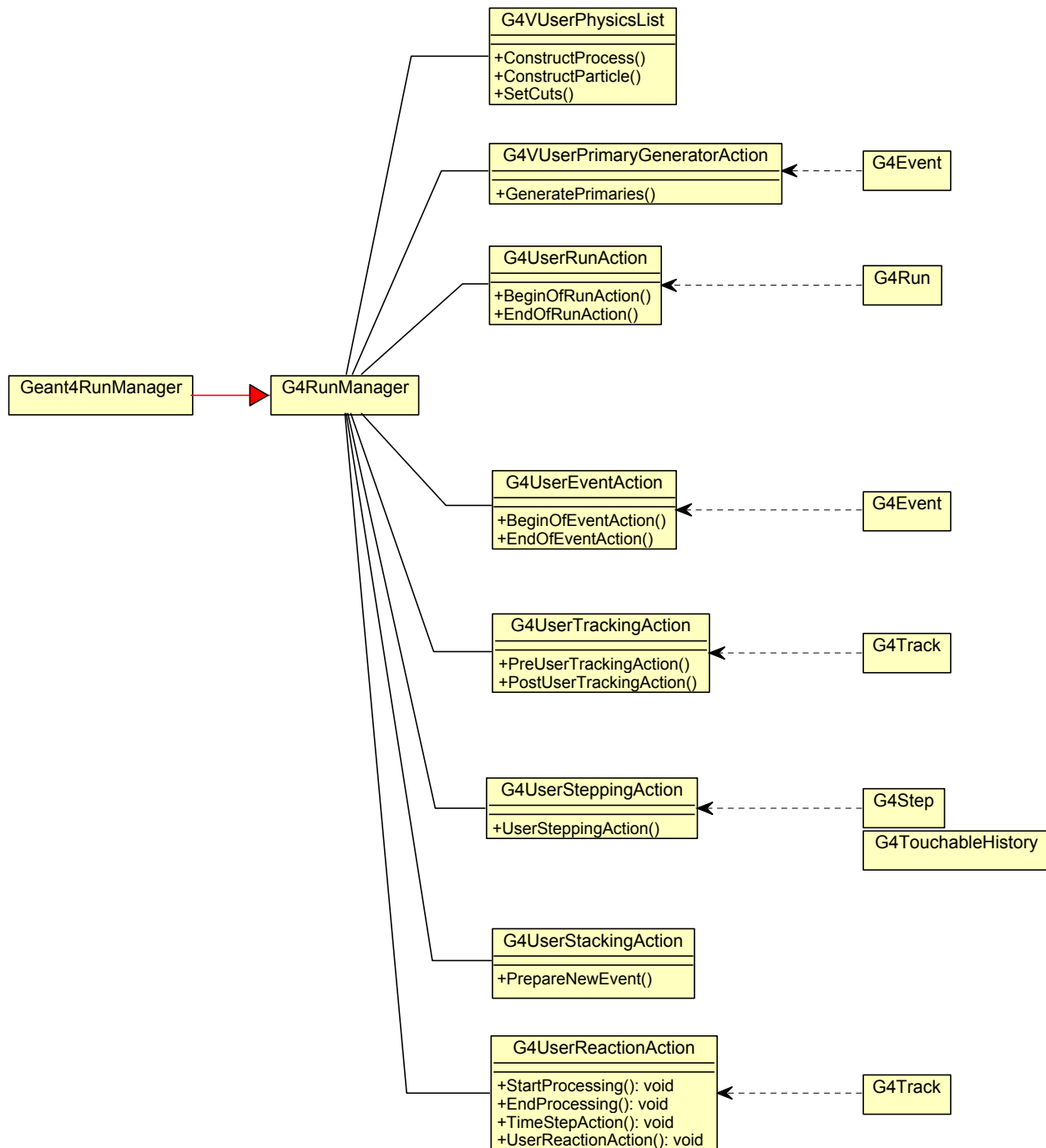




## Geant4 provided user hooks

Any simulation program is supposed to overwrite the appropriate actions necessary to perform the required functionality.

This means a flexible simulation program must hook into these callbacks and provide for each entry action queues to ease the implementation of small components.



## General concept

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### Granularity:

-- One single G4 action entry leads to lengthy actions and spaghetti-code.  
 Allow the separation of each action into a sequence of individual actions each only serving a very special purpose and hence be very granular  
 To be seen: Is a mechanism necessary to interrupt an action sequence and terminate the processing prematurely?

### -- Sequencing:

Whereas for tracking-, stepping, run-, etc. actions the existing granularity looks sufficient, for the event action sequences more "artificial" granularity may be desirable.

For example monitoring components of certain subdetectors

- wants to be initialized for each event,
- be called after processing the event

Such required functionality automatically leads to "Processing Phases", where the simulation performed by Geant4 is only one of these. Other phases may be the primary event generation or - as mentioned - monitoring.

### Important:

-- Any action may register for any phase supplying a member function as a callback accepting the G4Event and the phase name as an argument

Since any action may register for any phase, this is sort of orthogonal to the action sequences, which do not allow for calls of independent objects which do not belong to the same type of G4 callback.

If necessary the phase concept may be extended to runs.

### -- Flexibility and Open-ness:

All actions must be simple.

Any setup functionality is outside the component.

Hence, various setup mechanisms may be attached: XML, python, Cint, ...

