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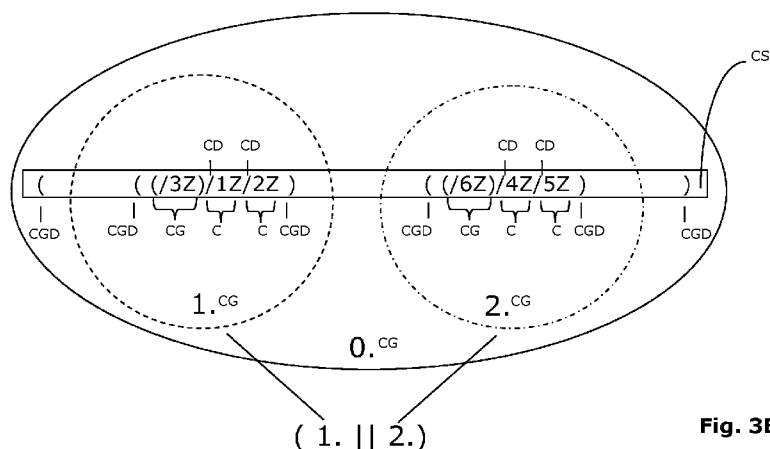


Fig. 3B

(57) **Abstract:** A laboratory system (100) and a method for controlling a laboratory system (100) comprising multiple subsystems (SB1 – SBn); each subsystem (SB1 – SBn) being configured to receive and carry out a command (C); and a master control device (1) configured to process command groups (CG) and/or command(s) (C) within the same command group (CG) simultaneously; to process command groups (CG) and/or command(s) (C) of different command groups (CG) sequentially; and within a command group (CG), to process command group(s) (CG) and/or command(s) (C) grouped into a command group (CG) before processing other commands (C) command group(s) (CG) and/or command(s) (C).

