

STCF core software and analysis tools

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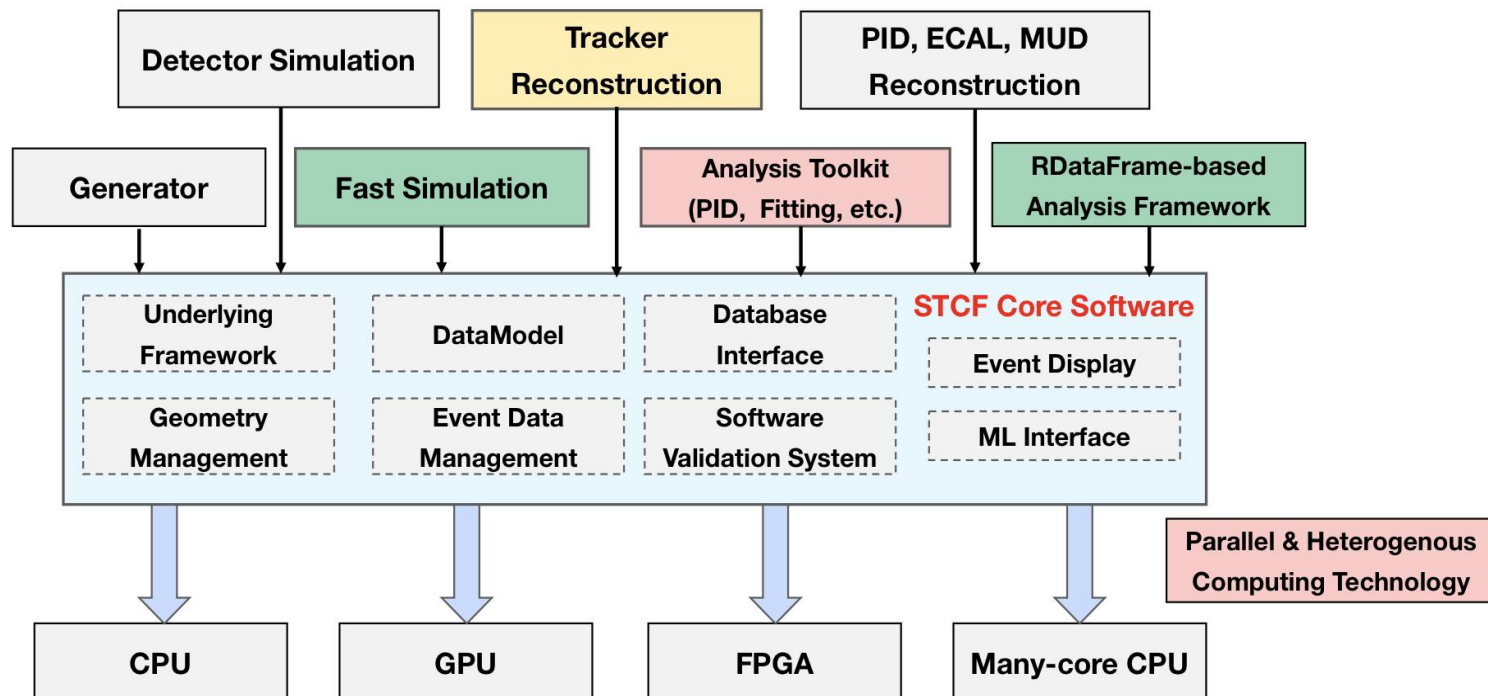
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Introduction

❖ The task of the STCF core software

- To fulfill official offline data processing tasks, i.e. detector simulation, digitization, calibration and reconstruction
- Provide a common platform for users to perform data analysis

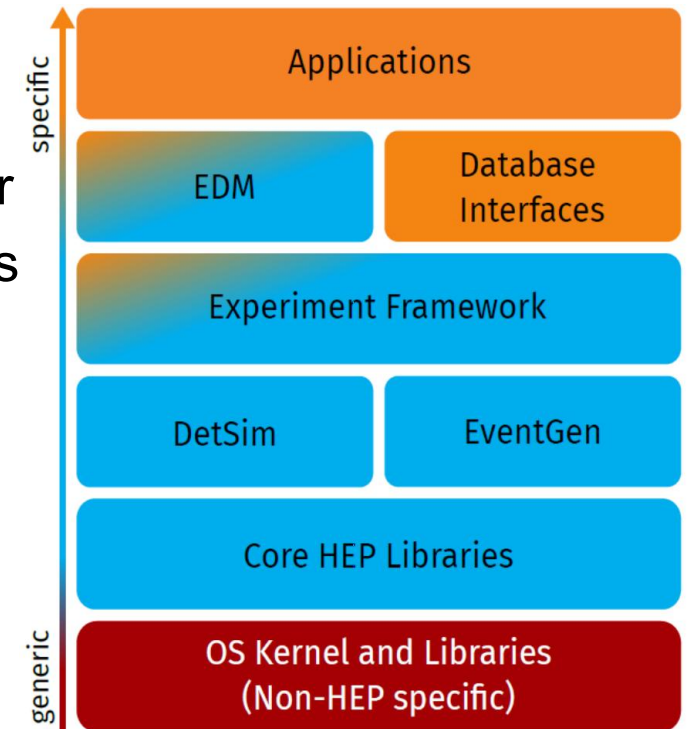
❖ Overview of STCF core software



- The underlying framework
- Event data management
- Detector description and conditions data management
- Event display
- Support of ML, parallel computing, and heterogeneous computing
- Software and physics validation
- Software build, installation and distribution

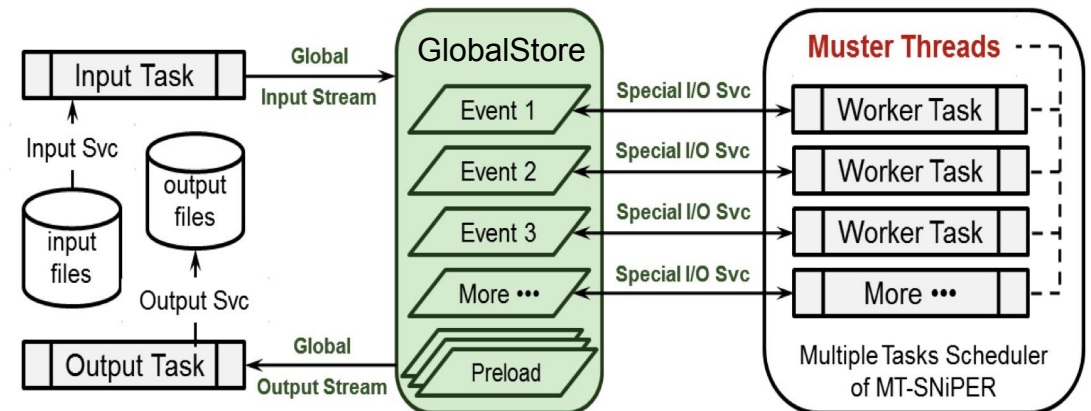
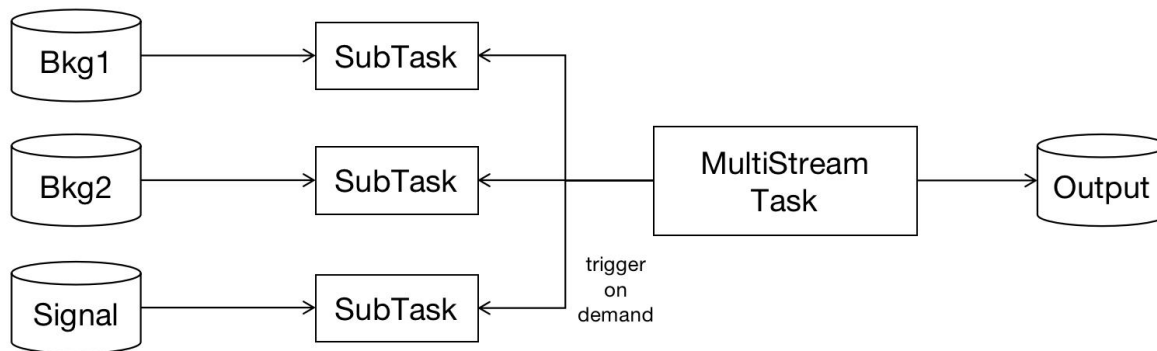
Main R&D Challenges

- ❖ Main R&D challenges and innovations for STCF core software
 - The huge data volume requires much more advanced performance
 - Relying on pure CPU resource to process **exabytes** of data is hardly realistic under previous cost-model
 - Parallel computing, and heterogeneous resources, like GPUs, or event FPGAs need to be considered to overcome the challenges
 - The core software needs to provide ready-to-use development and run time environment for these techniques
 - Support of flexible ML inference is also necessary
 - Adoption of common software developed for future colliders
 - OSCAR is developed partially based on Key4hep, including EDM based on podio, geometry based on DD4hep etc.



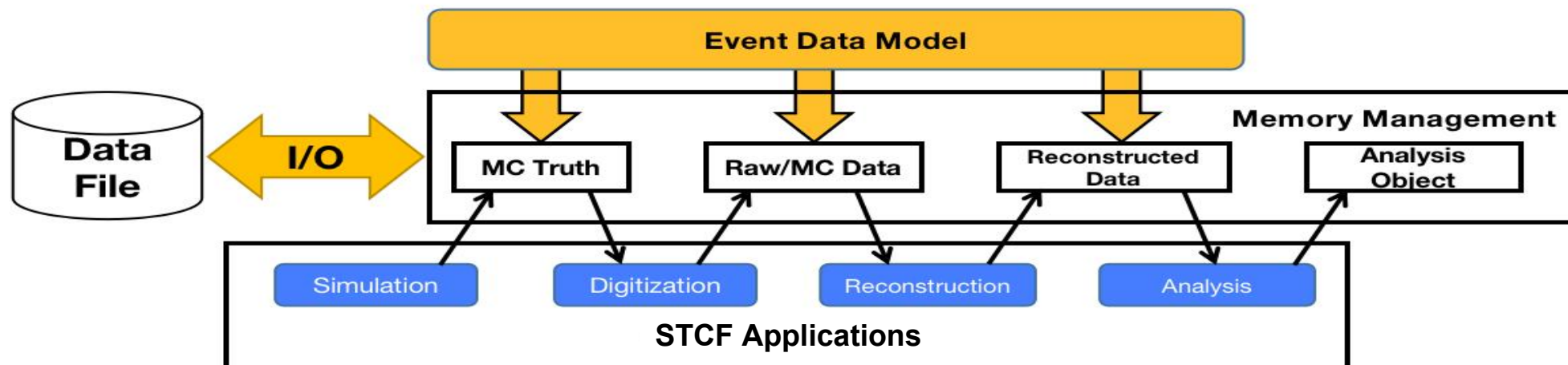
Underlying Framework: SNIiPER

- ❖ The underlying framework builds the skeleton of OSCAR
 - Provide basic functionalities of **event loop control, algorithm scheduling, thread management, user interface, job configuration, logging** etc.
- ❖ OSCAR adopts SNIiPER as the underlying framework
 - Developed since 2012, maintained by **10+ developers from IHEP, SDU, etc.**
 - Adopted by JUNO (neutrino), LHAASO (cosmic ray), nEXO (neutrinoless double beta decay) and HERD (dark matter)
- ❖ Advantages of SNIiPER
 - **Lightweighted, efficient and highly extendable.** Support of flexible data processing chain.
 - **Efficient multithreading.** C++/Python hybrid programming.

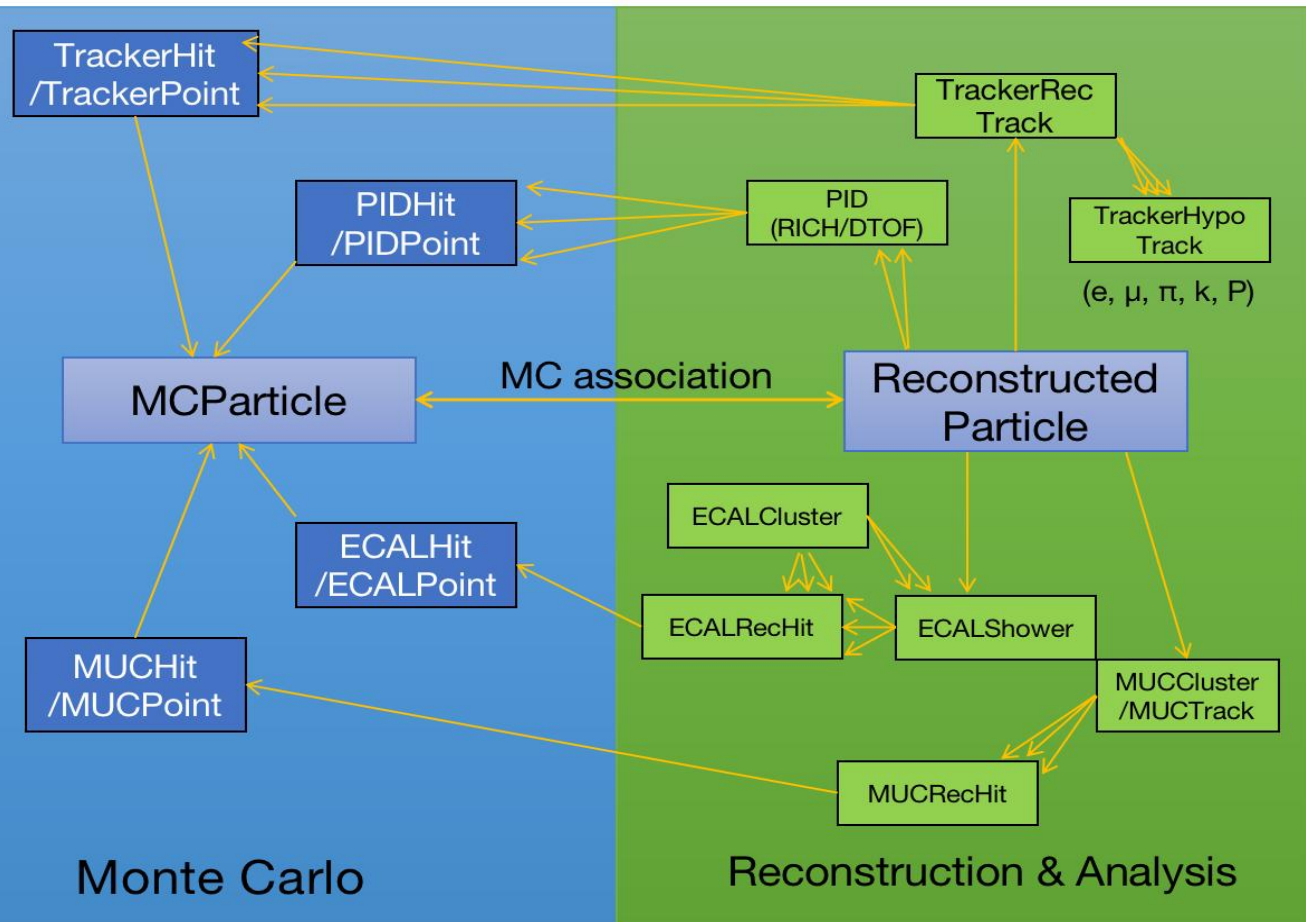


Event Data Management: Requirements

- ❖ Event data management is the most crucial part of the framework
 - Provide tools to define the Event Data Model (EDM)
 - The definition of physics event data (MC particles, hits, readouts, tracks, clusters, reconstructed particles),
 - Construct relationship between data objects (e.g. which particle makes these hits? Which hits are used to fit a track, etc.)
 - Provide automated memory management and data I/O functionalities
 - Provide backward and forward compatibility, very important for the long running of STCF.
 - Guarantee thread-safety, and provide high performance for MT applications



Event Data Model and of OSCAR

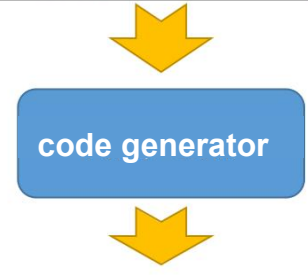


EDM classes defined in OSCAR

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MCParticle:
  Description : "Data class for storing Monte Carlo particles"
  Author : "SDU"
  Members :
    - int trackID           // track ID
    - int PDG               //PDG code of the particle
    - int generatorStatus   //status of the particle as defined by the generator
    - int simulatorStatus   //status of the particle from the simulation program - use BIT constants
    - int type              //particle type. only generatorStatus== 1 or 2 has the type
    - float charge          //particle charge
    - float time            //creation time of the particle in [ns] wrt. the event, e.g. for preassig
    - double mass           //mass of the particle in [MeV]
    - Vector3d vertex       //production vertex of the particle in [mm].
    - Vector3d endpoint     //endpoint of the particle in [mm]
    - Vector3f momentum     //particle 3-momentum at the production vertex in [GeV]
    - Vector3f momentumAtEndpoint //particle 3-momentum at the endpoint in [GeV]
    - Vector3f spin         //spin (helicity) vector of the particle.
  
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YAML



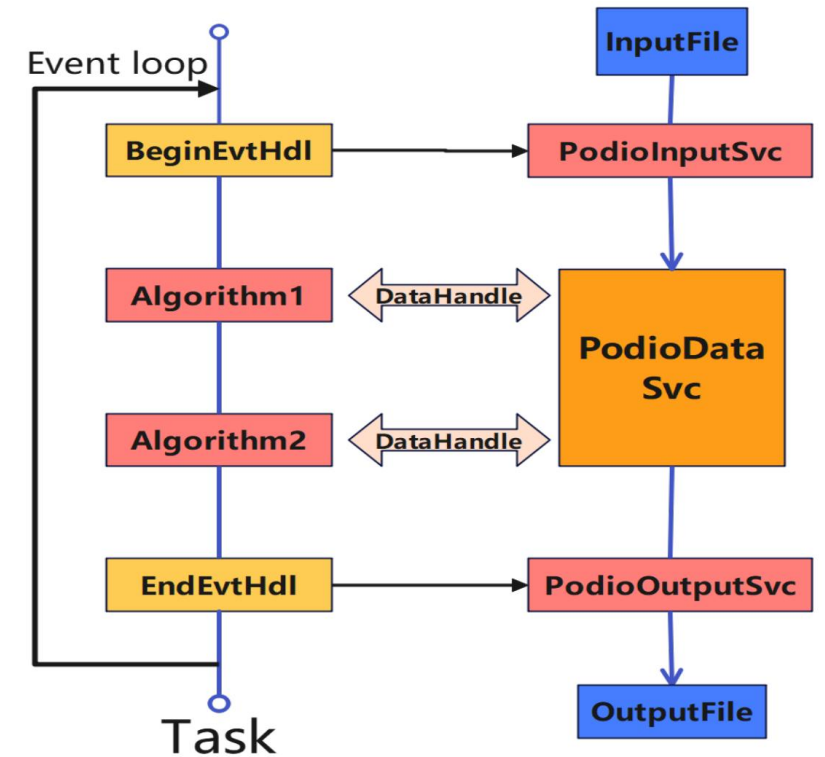
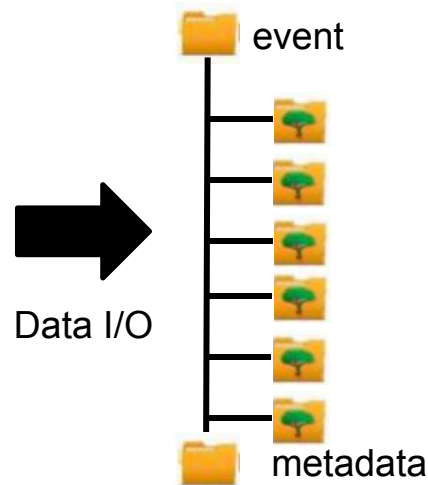
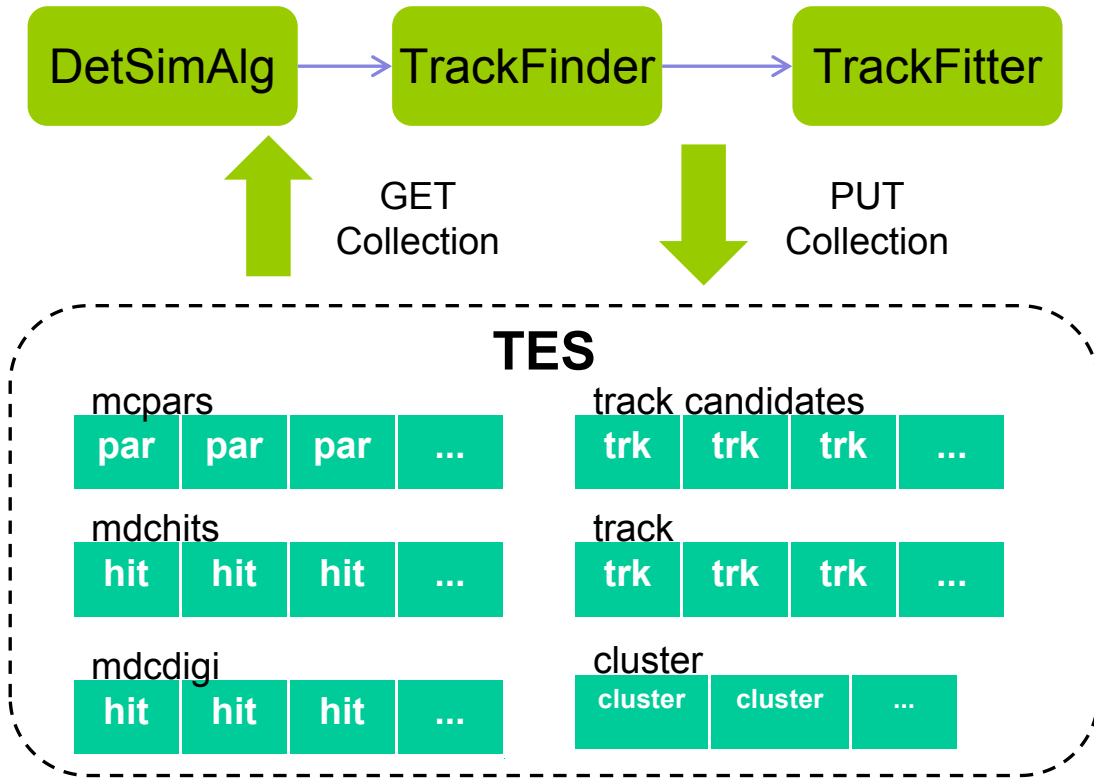
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| MCParticleData.h | MCParticleData.cpp | |
| MCParticleCollection.h | MCParticleCollection.cpp | |
| MCParticleCollectionData.h | MCParticleCollectionData.cpp | |

Based on YAML definition, generate EDM C++ code accordingly

Transient Event Store and Data I/O

❖ **Transient Event Store** (TES) is where EDM objects are stored in memory

- TES in OSCAR is developed based on podio::EventStore
- Now being migrated to podio::Frame for more flexible usage

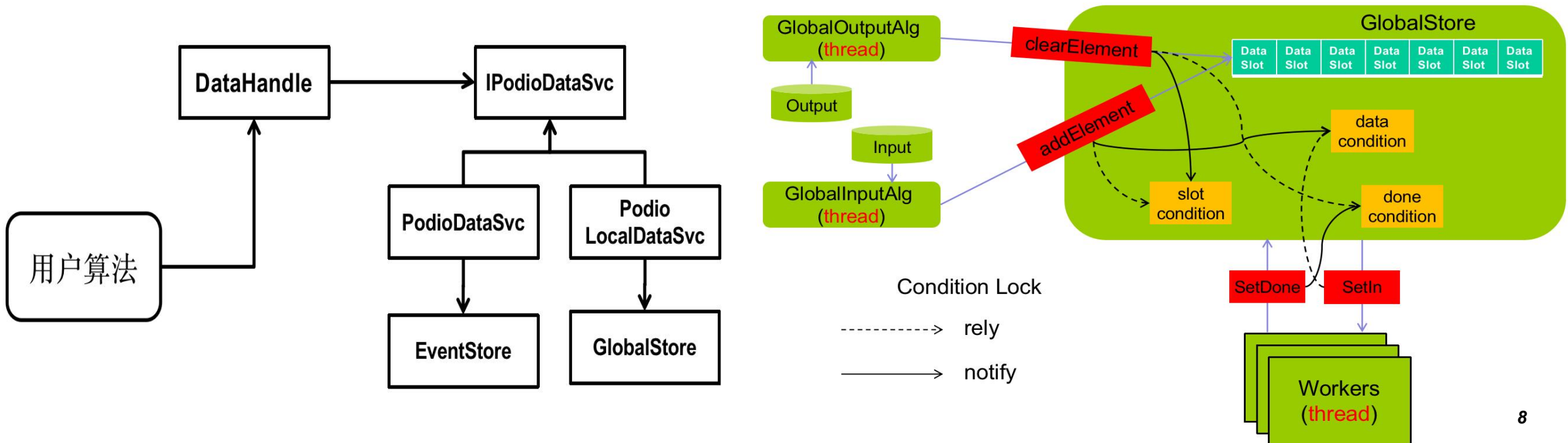


Implementation of TES and data I/O

- PodioDataSvc
- PodioInputSvc
- PodioOutputSvc

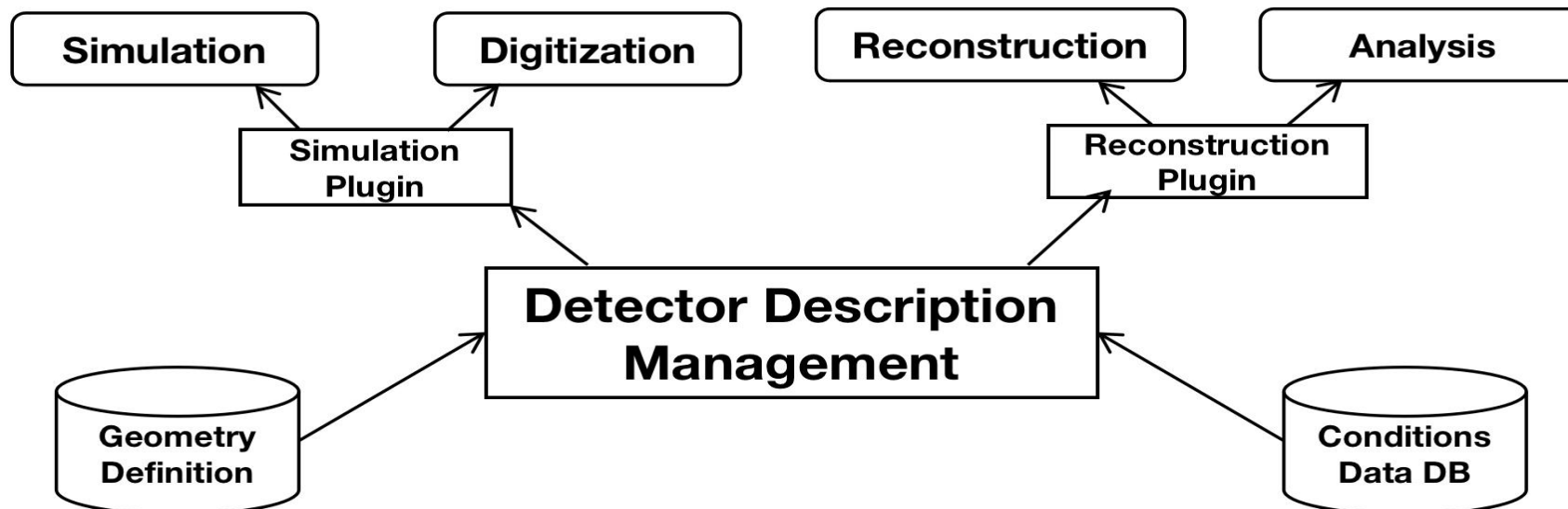
Parallelized Event Data Management

- ❖ To enable parallelized data processing, a GlobalStore is developed based on podio
 - Re-implement podio::EventStore to cache multiple events (each within one data slot)
 - Use several condition lock to enable safety exchanging data between threads
 - I/O services are binded to dedicated I/O threads, to ensure performance and flexible post- or pre-processing
- ❖ Users could switch serial/parallel by just changing job configuration



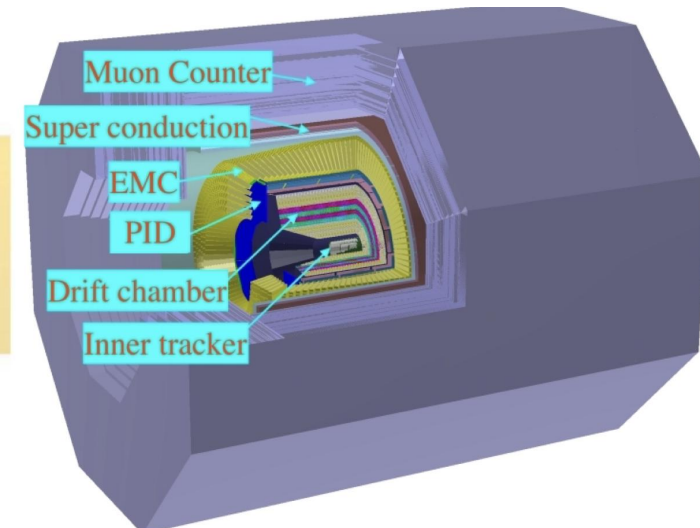
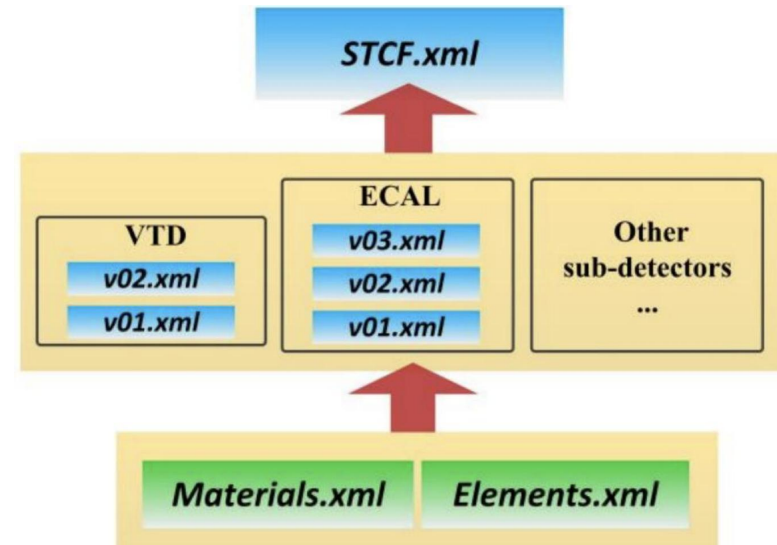
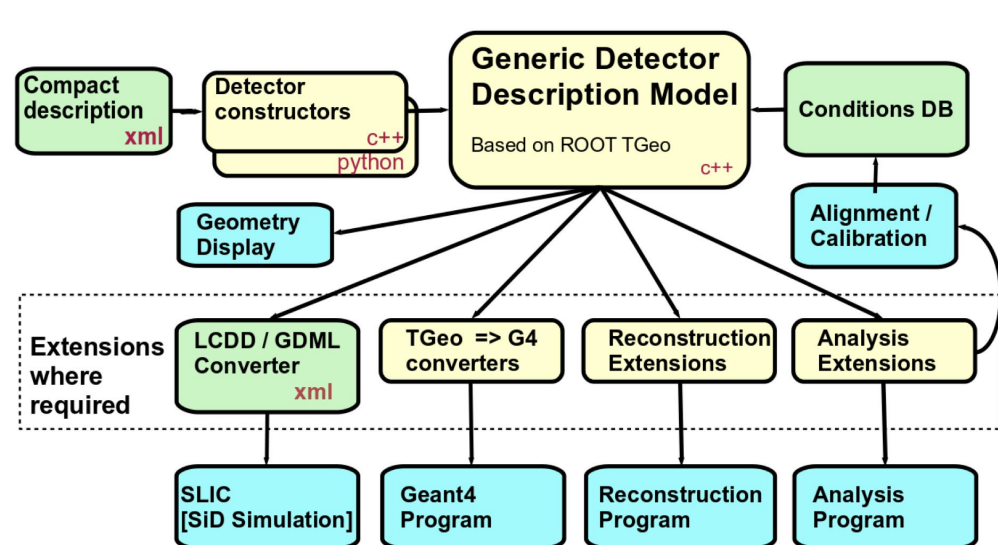
Detector Description Management: Requirements

- ❖ A powerful detector description management system is necessary across the full offline data processing workflow
 - Provide simple method for **geometry description definition**
 - Provide **consistent detector description** for all applications
 - Provide **geometry conversion** for different applications, and versioning management
 - Provide interface for **conditions data and detector alignment**
 - Provide simple and **ready-to-use interfaces** for applications



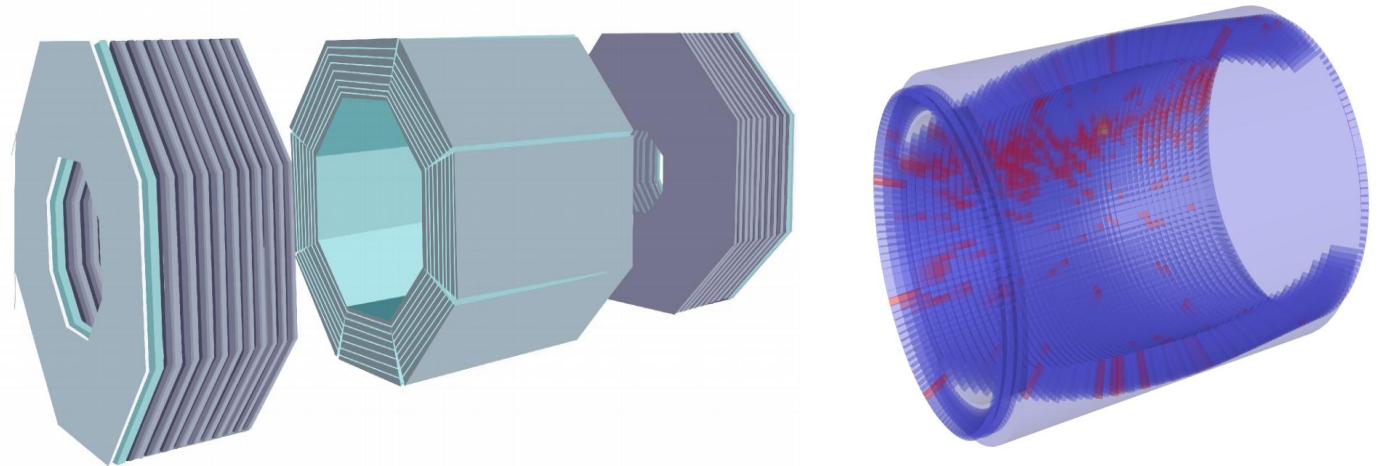
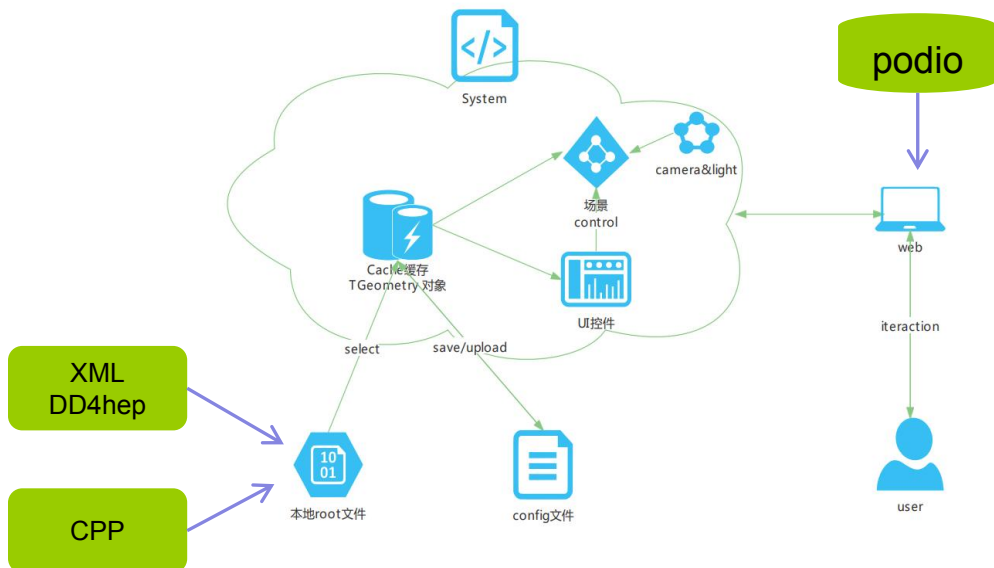
Geometry Management System

- ❖ Geometry Management System (GMS) in OSCAR is based on DD4hep
- ❖ Single source of detector information for detector description, simulation reconstruction and event display
 - Complete geometry defined with XML files and C++ parser
 - Various plugins for applications
 - Interface for alignment and conditions data



Detector and Event Display

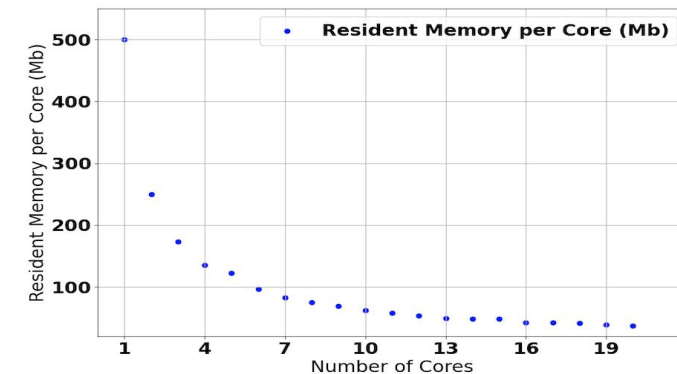
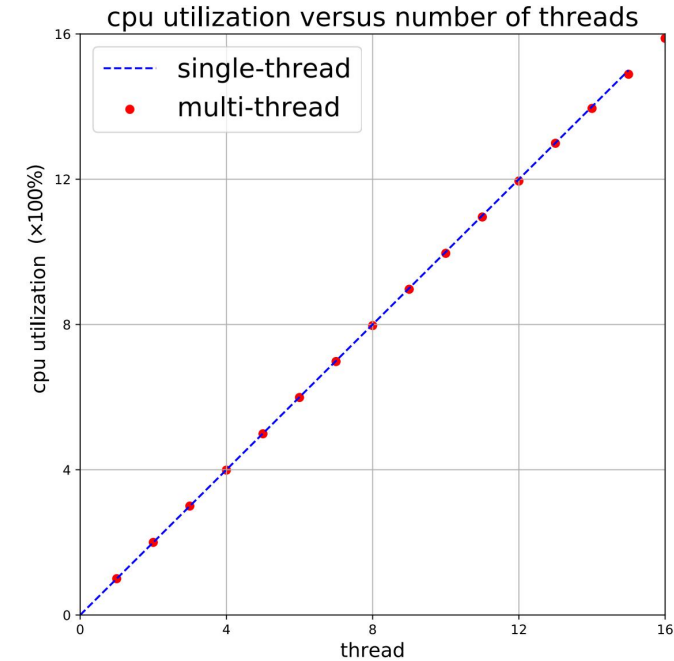
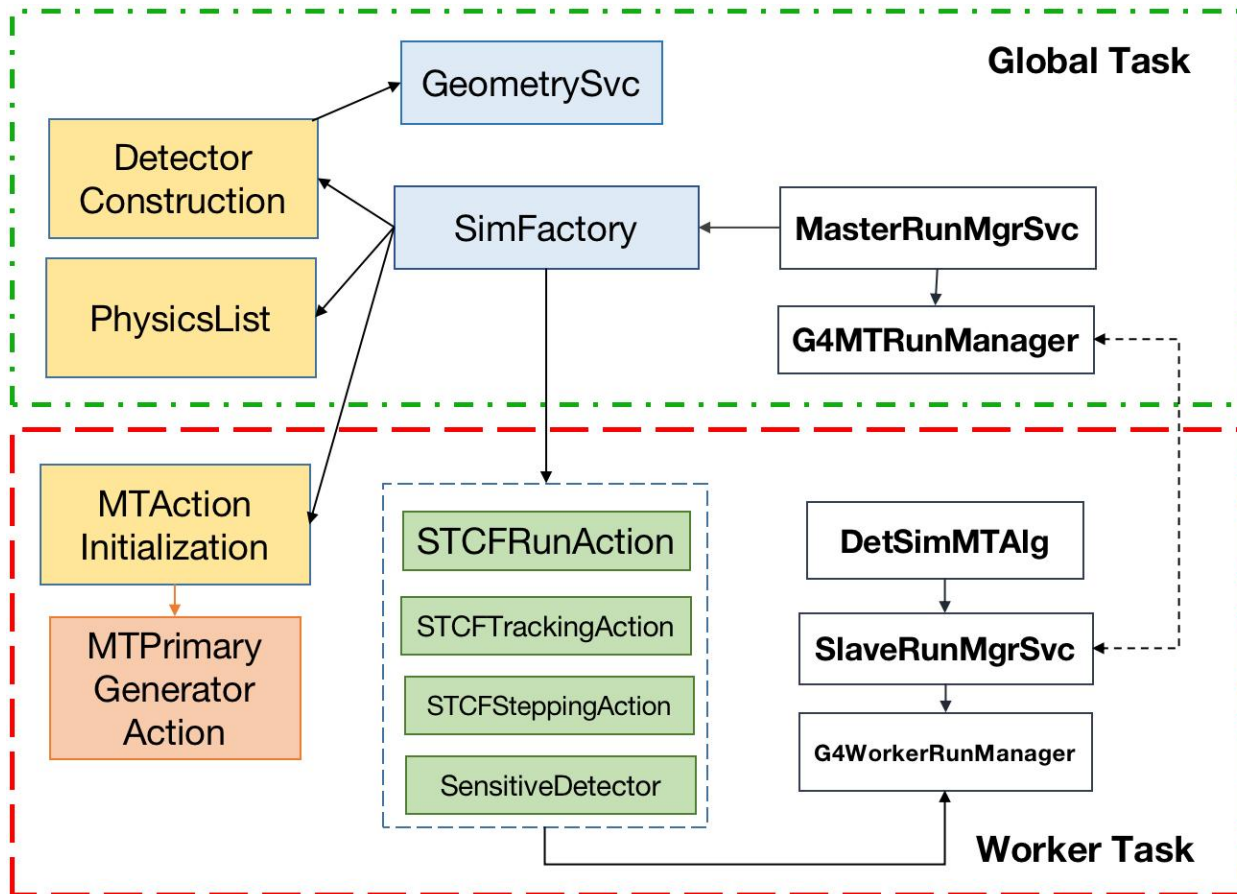
- ❖ A common geometry and event display system is being developed
 - Based on Web3D technology and the open-source JSRoot framework
 - 3D engine and graphic library based on Three.JS
 - Using the Vue.js HTML5 development framework to implement the Web interface
 - Reducing 3D motion lag by the multi-threading capabilities of Web Worker framework
 - Geometry information from detector description from DD4hep (XML), and event data read from podio



Parallelized Data Processing

❖ Based on the MT-SNiPER and parallelized DM system, parallelized detector simulation and reconstruction applications are implemented

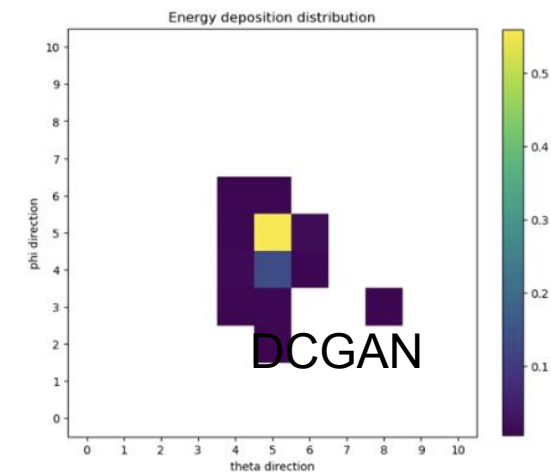
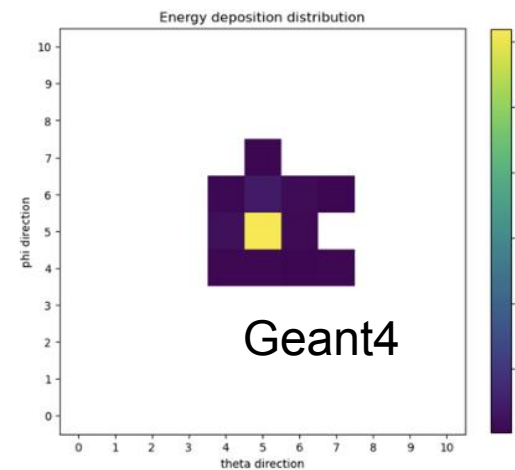
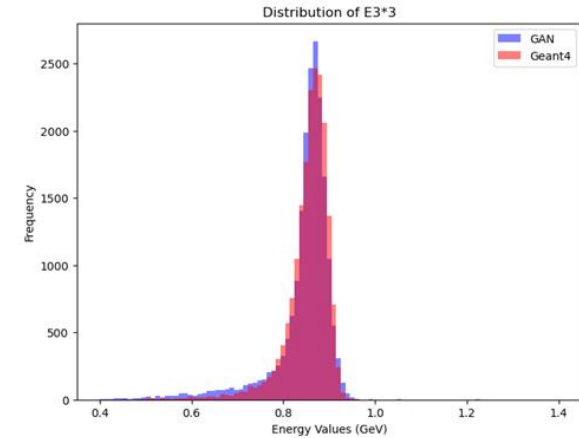
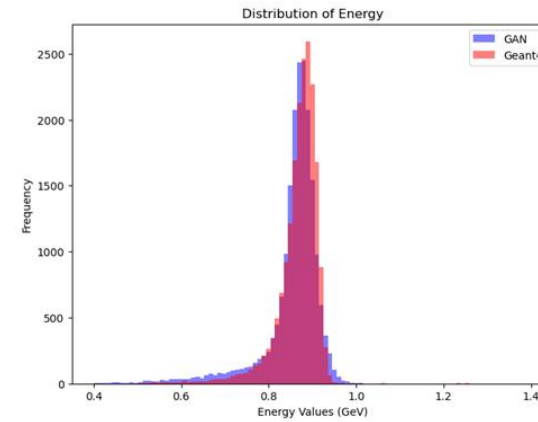
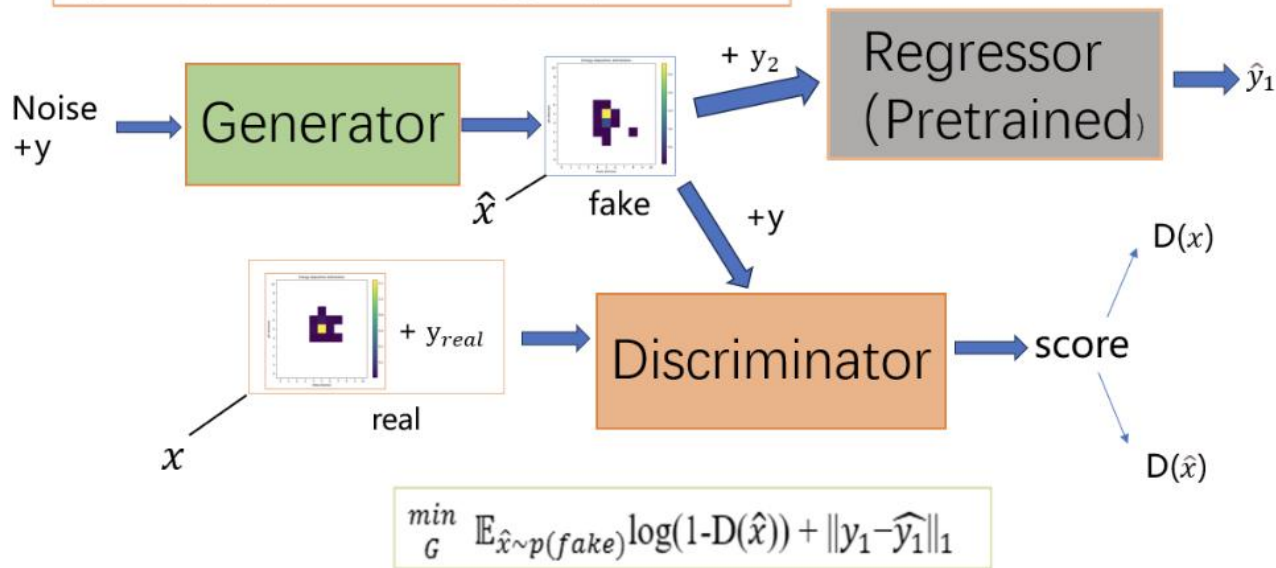
- Basic performance tests show promising scalability



Fast ECAL Simulation based on GAN

- ❖ A ECAL fast simulation software based on DCGAN is being developed and optimized
 - Integrate fast simulation and Geant4-based full simulation
 - Expect to speed up the ECAL simulation by 1-2 orders of magnitude

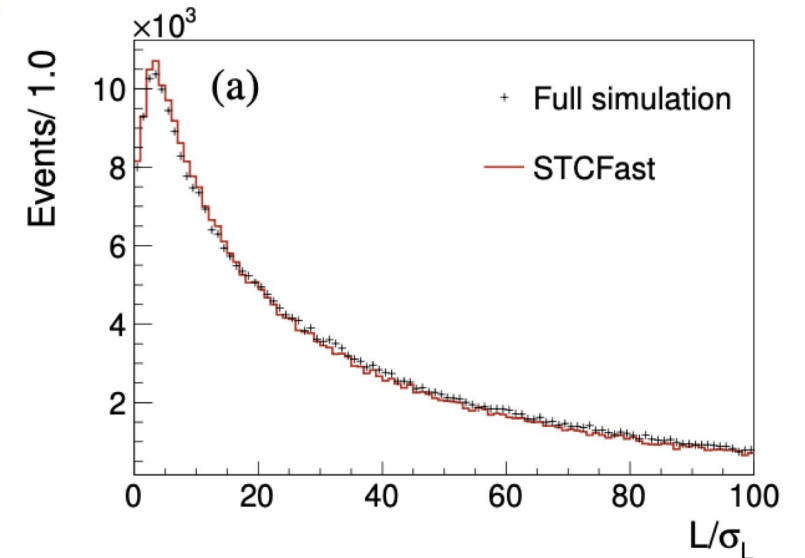
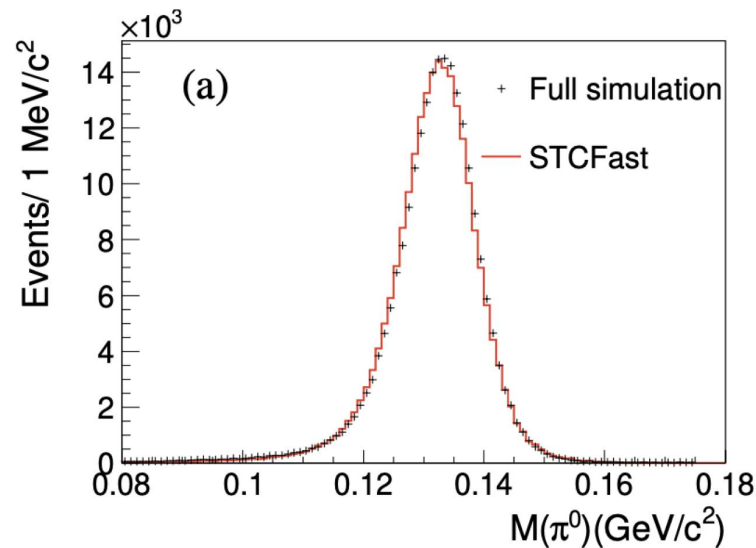
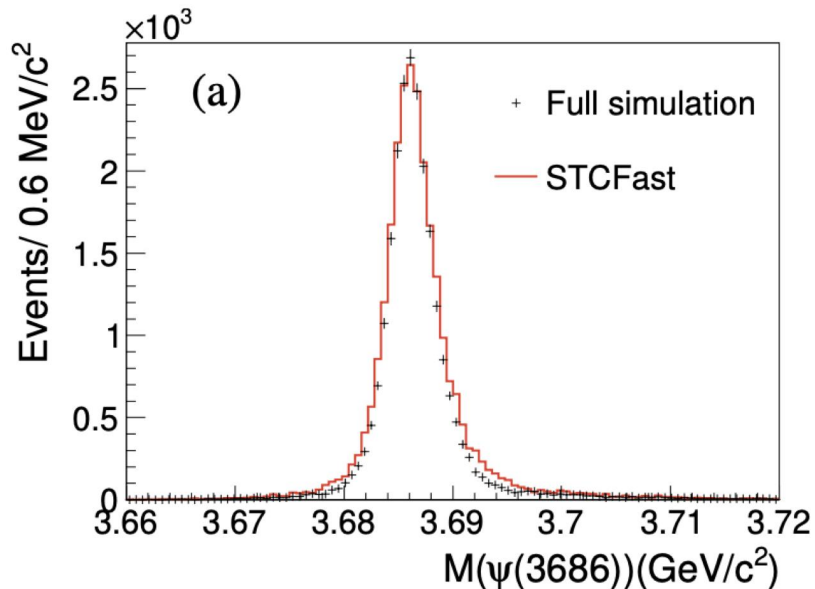
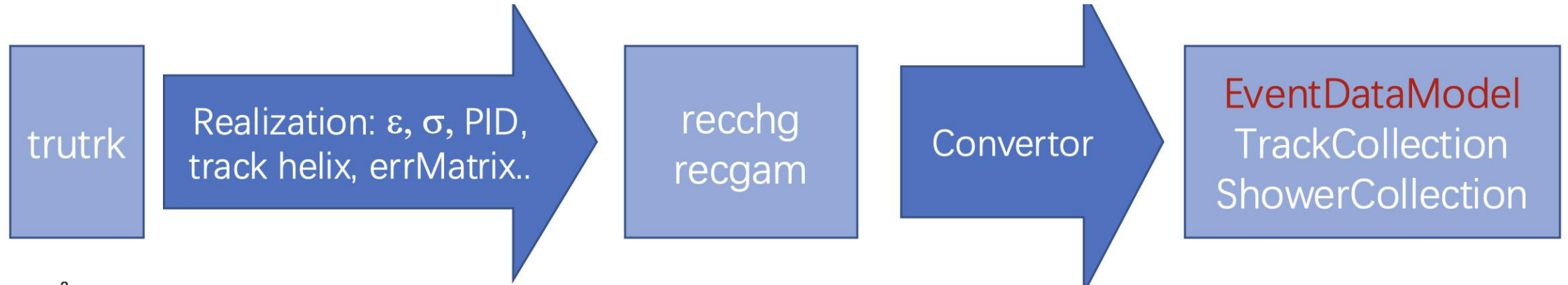
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See Yujie's talk later

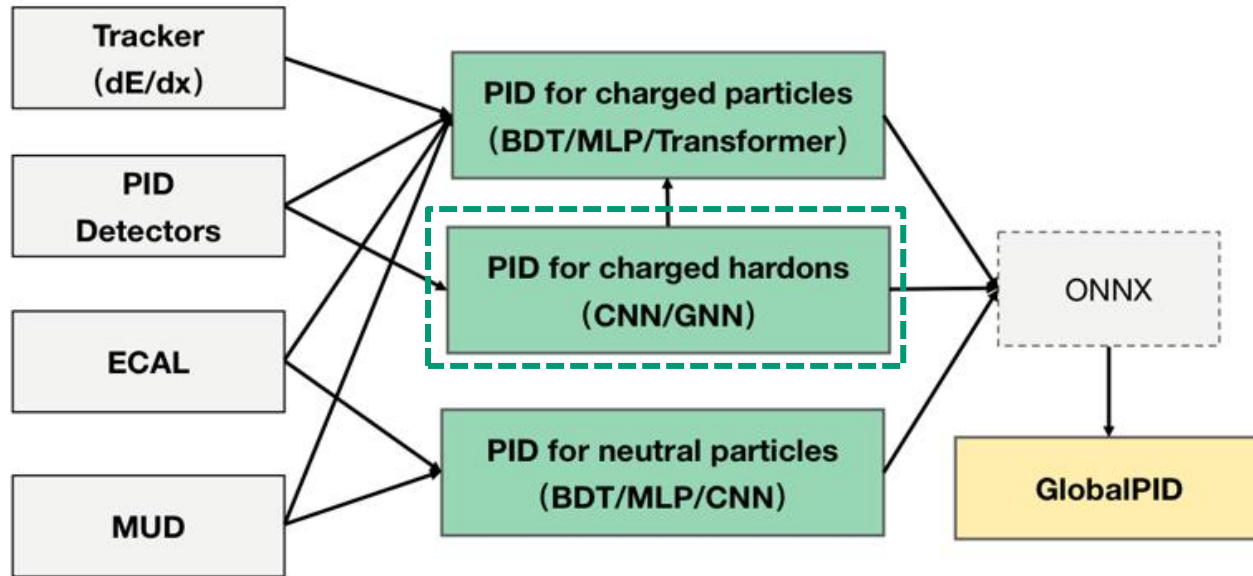
Fast Simulation Framework

- ❖ The fast simulation framework is now integrated with OSCAR (more features being developed)
- ❖ Flexible for different detecting response and friendly for physics sensitivity study



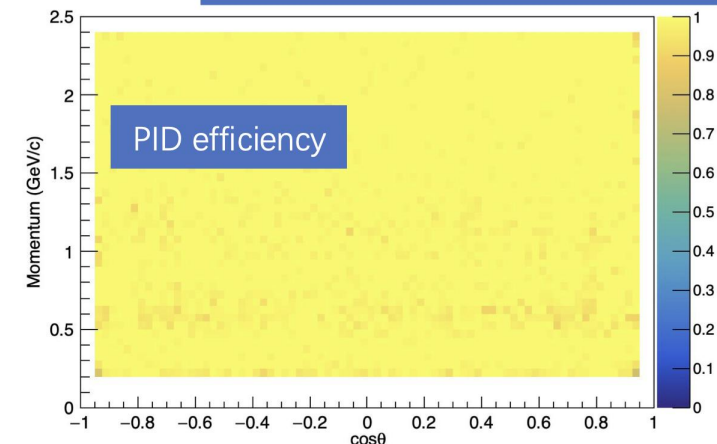
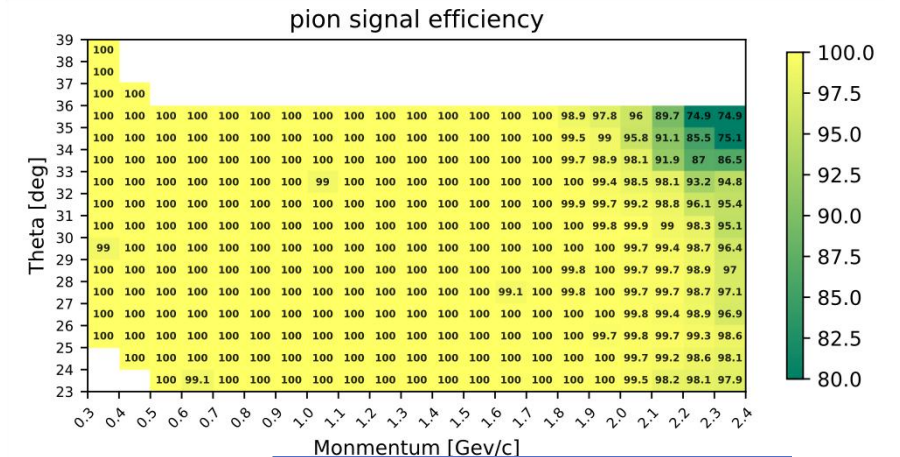
Particle Identification Based on ML

- ❖ A global PID software is being developed to enhance STCF PID capabilities
 - Combining information from multiple sub detectors using ML technique
 - Make use of low level detector response data (such as DTOF and RICH readouts)



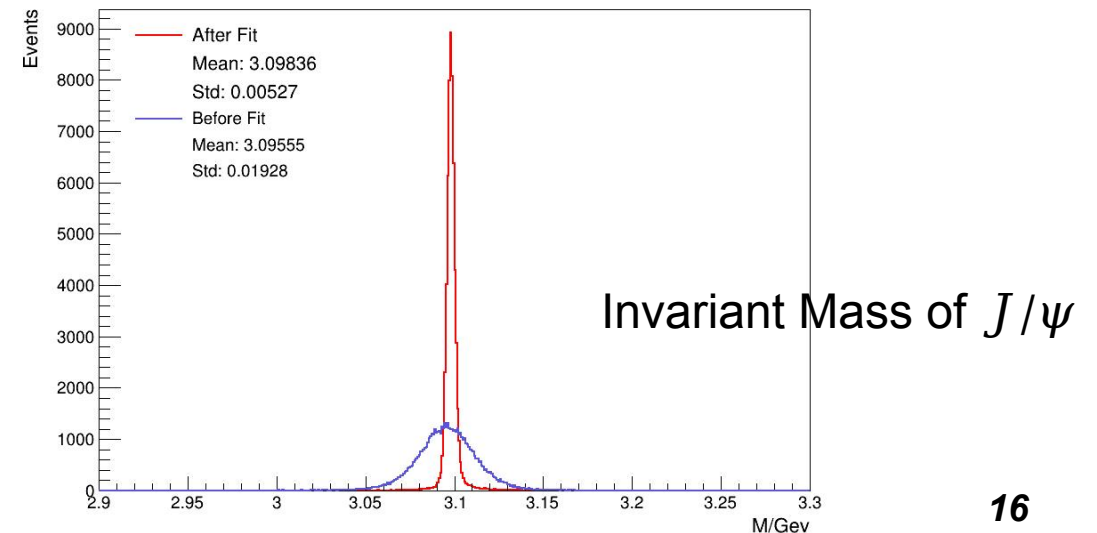
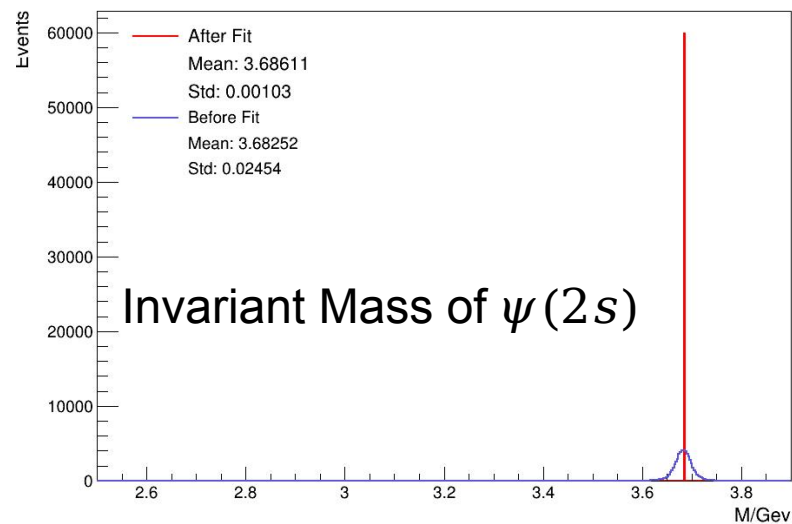
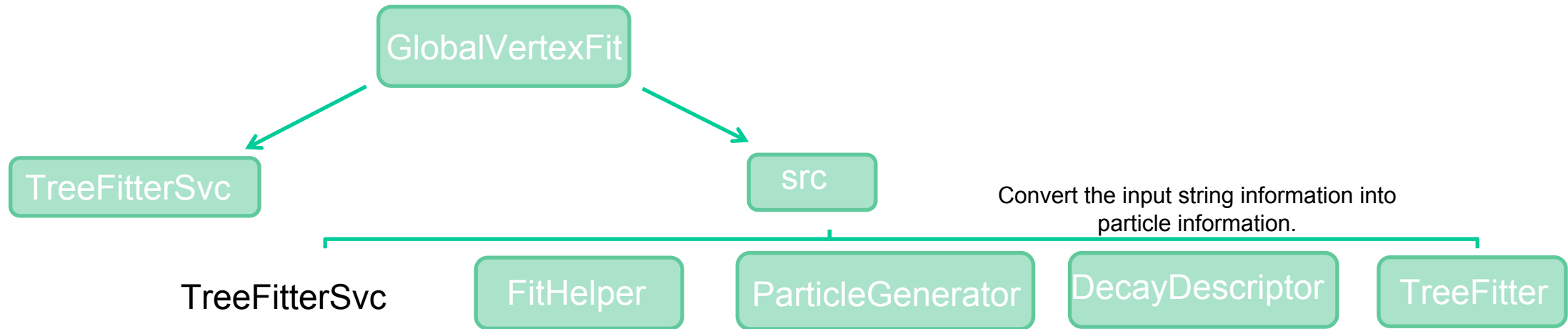
PID algorithms based on machine learning for STCF

Integrated with OSCAR via ONNX and C APIs
More information in Zhipeng's and Yuncong's talks



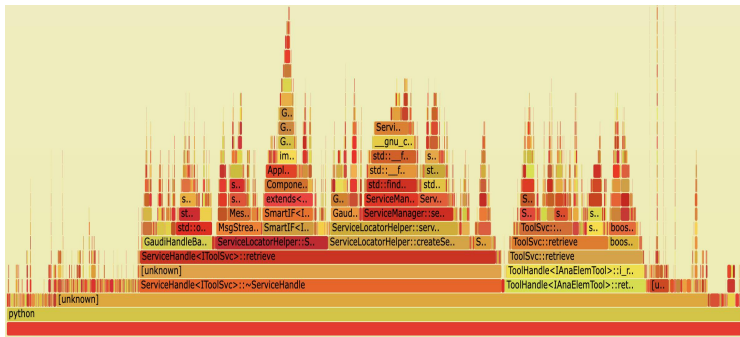
Kinematic and Vertex Fit Toolkit

- ❖ Two sets of kinematic and vertex fitting toolkits are ported from BESIII and Belle II

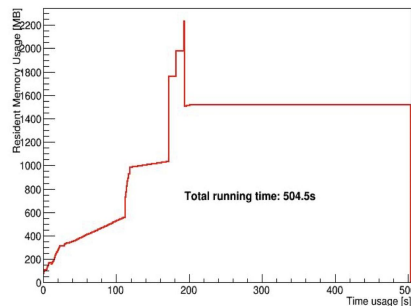
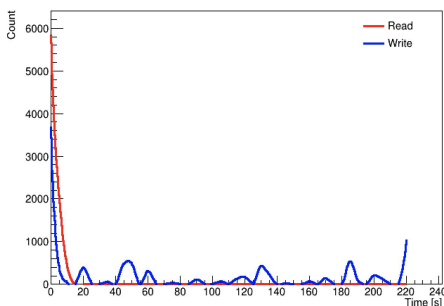


Automated Software Validation

- ❖ Software validation system is developed, to support building software validation on different levels
 - Unit test, integrated test, software performance profiling and physics result validation
- ❖ To be integrated with Gitlab Action for automated validation
 - Used CTest to integrate validation cases integrated with CI system
 - Trigger validation jobs on different levels on schedule/commits



SimTest IO Operations



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-bash-4.2$ ctest
Test project /home/tli/2.5.0_test/offline/build
  Start  1: test_random_svc.py
 1/16 Test  #1: test_random_svc.py ..... Passed    1.04 sec
  Start  2: test_demoSim.py
 2/16 Test  #2: test_demoSim.py ..... Passed    2.89 sec
  Start  3: test_read_update.sh
 3/16 Test  #3: test_read_update.sh ..... Passed    8.52 sec
  Start  4: test_simple_rw.sh
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Summary

- ❖ We introduced the basic design and functionalities of STCF core software
 - Developed partially based on Key4hep
 - Many components are extended specifically for STCF, but are also re-usable by other experiments
- ❖ Based on the core components, many STCF applications are (being) developed
 - Detector simulation, reconstruction algorithms, event display, analysis toolkit including particle ID, Vertex/KineticFit, RDataFrame based analysis framework etc.
 - On-going physics analysis studies with MC data are in progress (see Yuncong' s talk)
- ❖ We have been continuously improving the core software
 - Software and physics performance has been continuously improved
 - Many applications are being developed based on concurrent/heterogeneous computing and machine learning