

IRIS-HEP retreat

AGC focus area talk (10')

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Analysis Grand Challenge (AGC): execute series of increasingly realistic exercises toward HL-LHC

The AGC is about executing an analysis to test workflows designed for the HL-LHC.

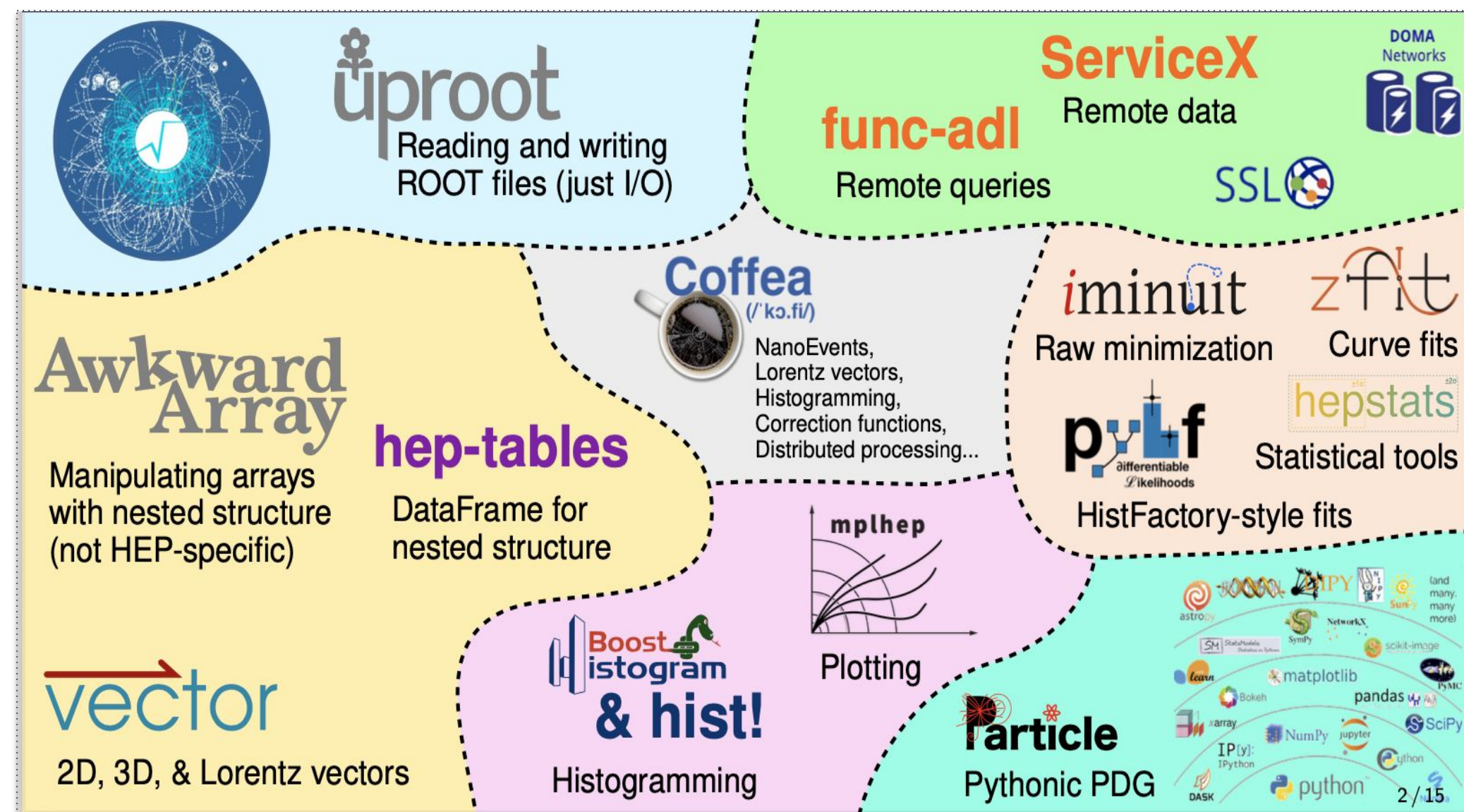
This includes:

- **columnar data extraction** from large datasets,
- **data processing** (event filtering, construction of observables, evaluation of systematic uncertainties) into histograms,
- **statistical model construction and statistical inference**,
- relevant **visualizations** for these steps

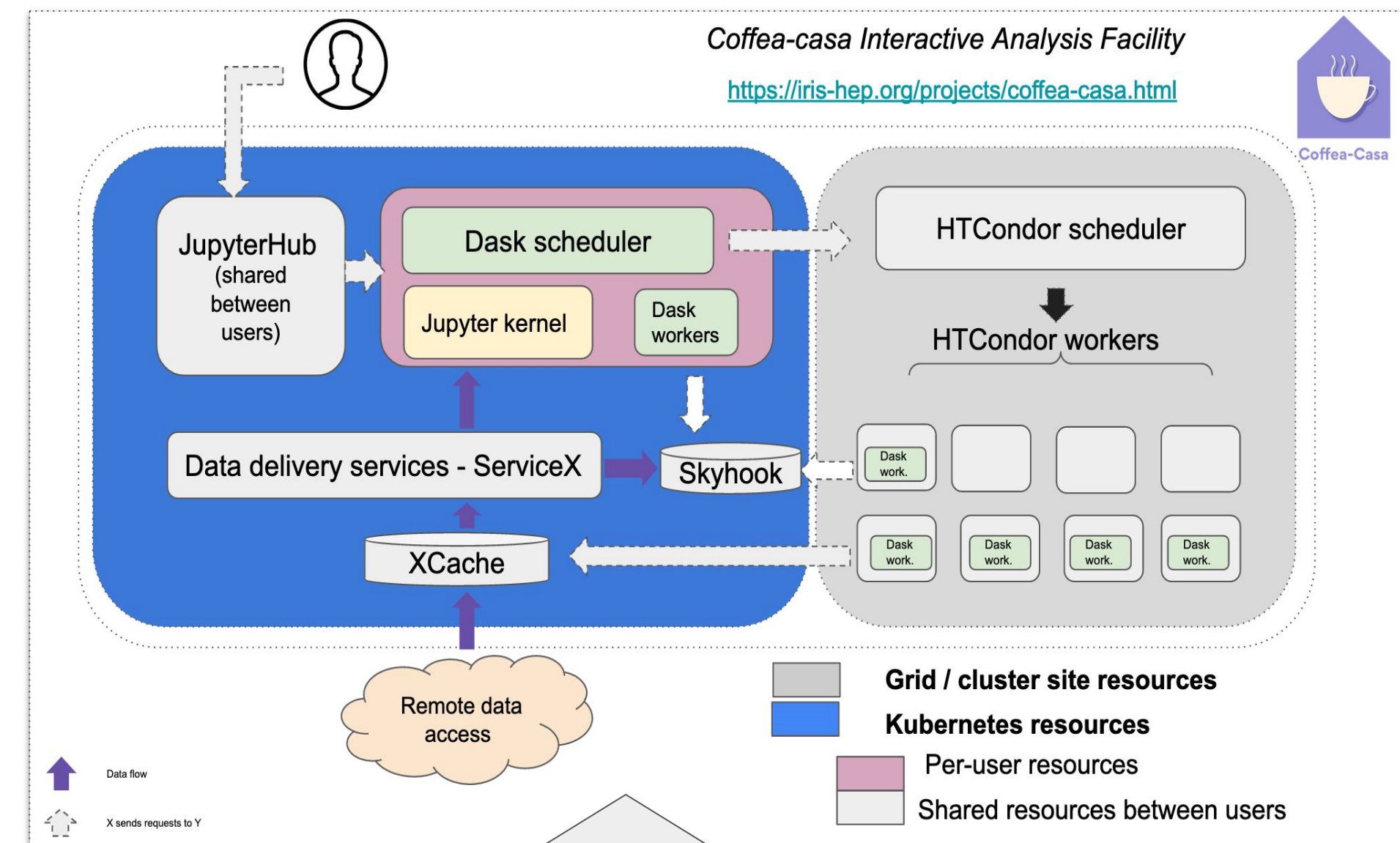


The AGC is **an integration exercise** for IRIS-HEP towards reaching the goal to implement and deploy such a pipeline

Analysis Tools and Services



Analysis Facilities



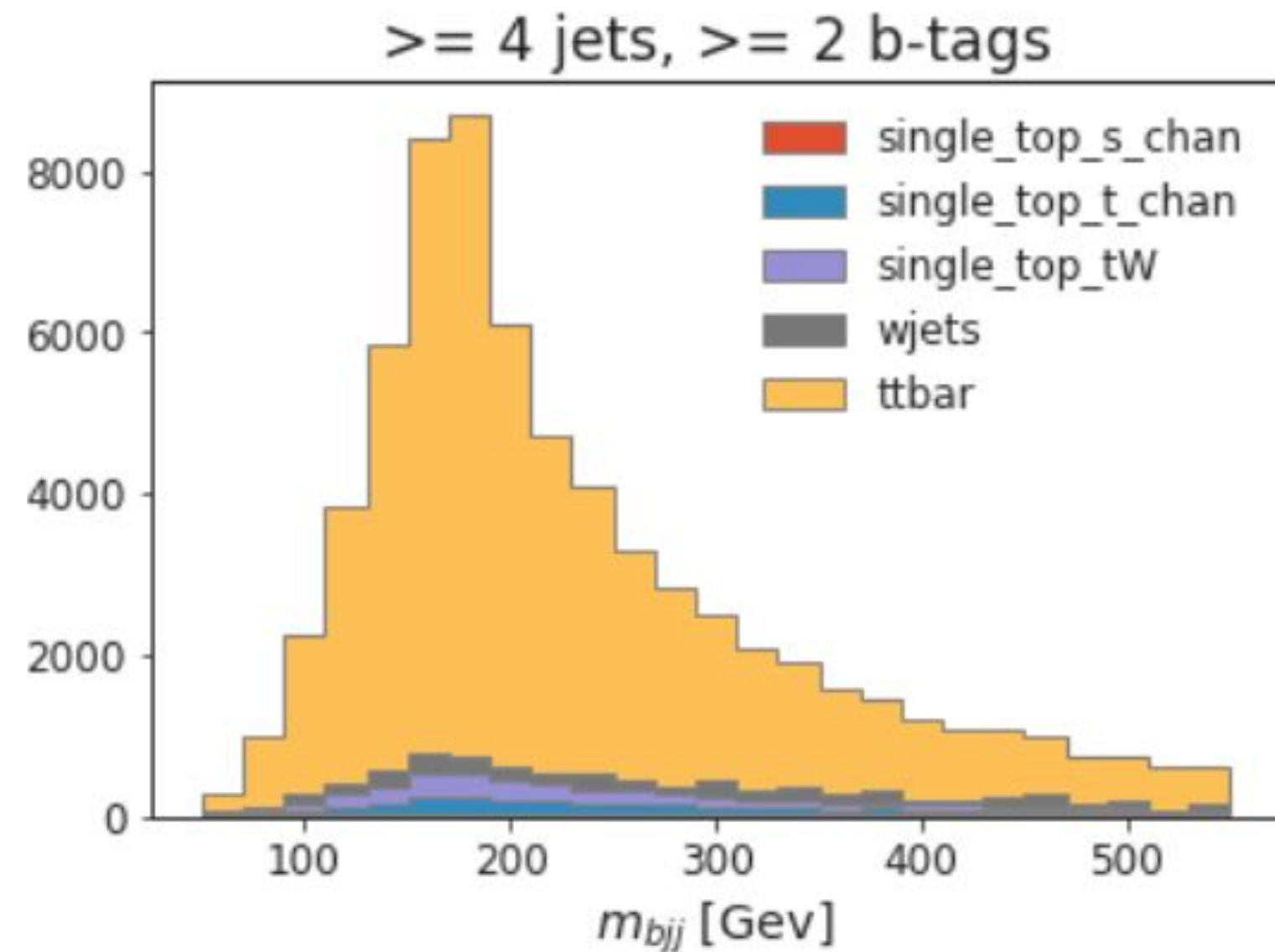
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Current status

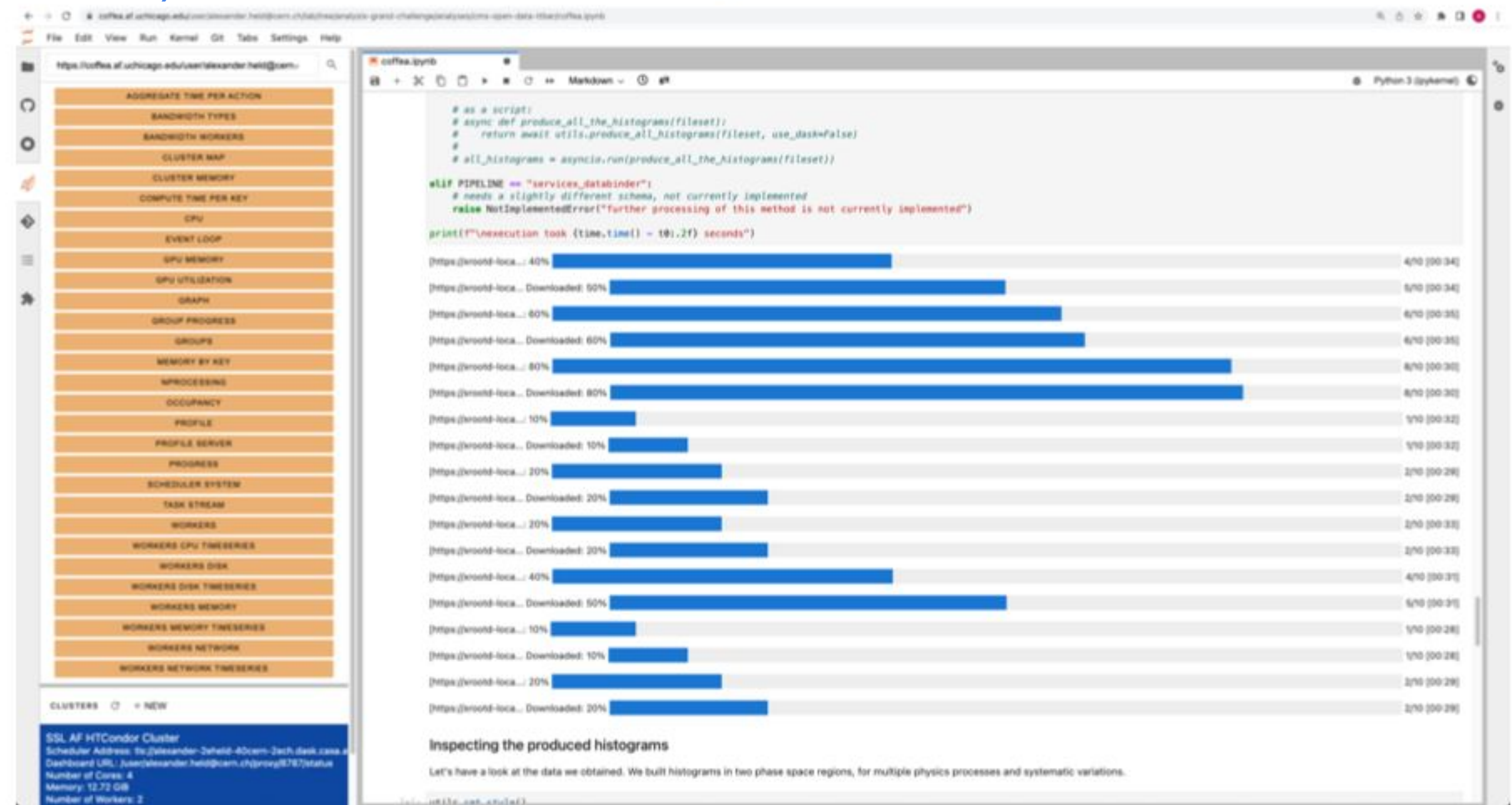
Defined a **physics analysis task** and developed **multiple implementations**

- Have done **benchmarking**, iterated with tooling & services involved
- Presented results at various conferences: [ICHEP 2022](#), [ACAT 2022](#), [CHEP 2023](#) (+ AGC demonstration event!)

Reconstructed observables



Output histogram from AGC analysis

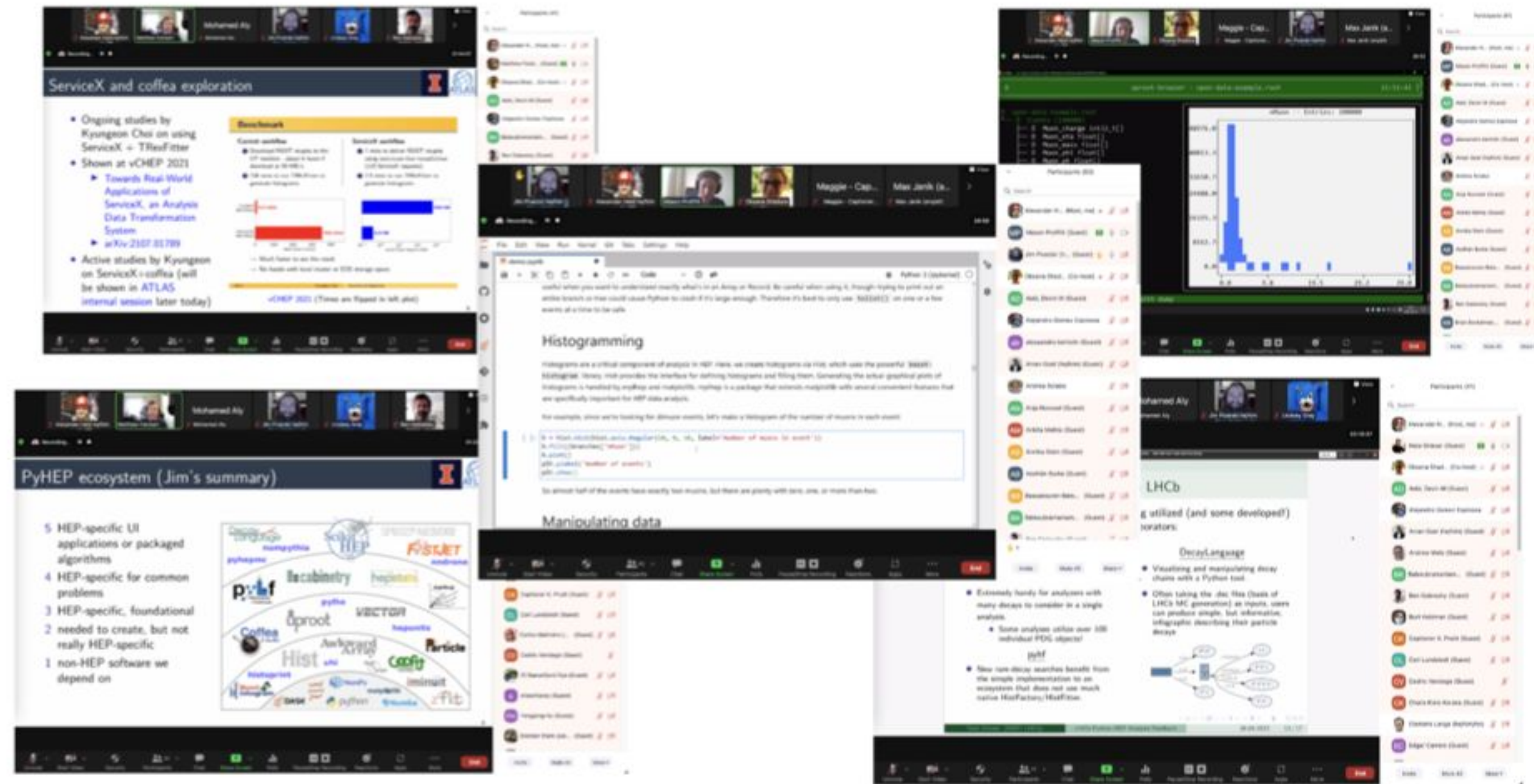


Interactive analysis in a notebook

Engaging & building communities

We use a multitude of avenues to **disseminate methodology** and engage in **feedback cycles**

- Annual **AGC workshops** (last iteration: 124 participants)
- Collaboration with **US ATLAS/CMS Ops programs** via dedicated meetings
- “**Demo days**” showcasing technical progress
- Collaboration with ROOT RDF group, JuliaHEP, SWIFT-HEP, US-CMS PURSUE & IRIS-HEP fellow programs



[AGC tools 2022 workshop](#)

Connecting projects and resources through AGC

- IRIS-HEP: integration exercise for **AS, DOMA, SSL areas**
- US collaborators: US Operation programs providing facility support and resources
 - **Coffea-casa analysis facility** as an example of joint effort with US Operation programs (US-CMS / US-ATLAS)
- Experiments: CMS and ATLAS
- International collaborators
 - Cooperation with **ROOT team on AGC** RDF implementation

Challenges & limits of current practices: Scaling & turnaround

- **Scaling to HL-LHC data volumes** with available computing resources
 - Need for new methods for **efficient data scaling, caching** at AFs to handle more data-intensive analysis pipeline
- **Analysis turnaround time**
 - Reaching interactive analysis turnaround times requires **efficient analysis facility (AF) usage**

Challenges & limits of current practices: UX & sustainability

- **User experience (UX)** for complex analyses: **increase scientific reach** of result
 - User improvement experiences allow physicists to **focus on the physics**
 - Need **expanded Machine Learning (ML) tooling** with good user experience + performance
 - Leverage **ML technology** to automatically optimize analysis sensitivity

- **Sustainability**
 - Limited person power to develop & maintain full stack -> rely on industry solutions & external developments (e.g. tokens)
 - Limited of **analysis reproducibility & reusability**
 - Need for **central gathering point** for community to discuss & develop analysis approaches

Roadmap for this week

- **Monday 11:00:** **brief look** at AGC (you are here)
- **Tuesday 9:00:** **previous plans** for AGC (as outlined in the strategic plan)
- **Tuesday 13:30:** **AGC during IRIS-HEP v2** (evolving the previous planning)
 - 90' discussion session
 - Important inputs:
 - AS plans (Monday 13:30) & AS autodiff (Tuesday 11:00)
 - ServiceX plans (Monday 15:30)
 - AF plans (Tuesday 9:30)
- **Wednesday 9:30:** **summary**
- **Thursday 9:30:** **AGC demonstration event**
 - <https://indico.cern.ch/e/agc-demonstration>

Backup