

columnflow: Fully automated analyses via flow of columns over distributed resources

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General idea

- Python-based framework for nano-like inputs
- End-to-end **orchestration & automation**
- **No reliance** on single local cluster or local storage
- Adapt to any remote cluster and storage system
 - ▷ HTCondor, Slurm, CMS-CRAB, LSF
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- **Persistent intermediate outputs**
 - ▷ Debugging, reuse, sharing across groups

Key concepts

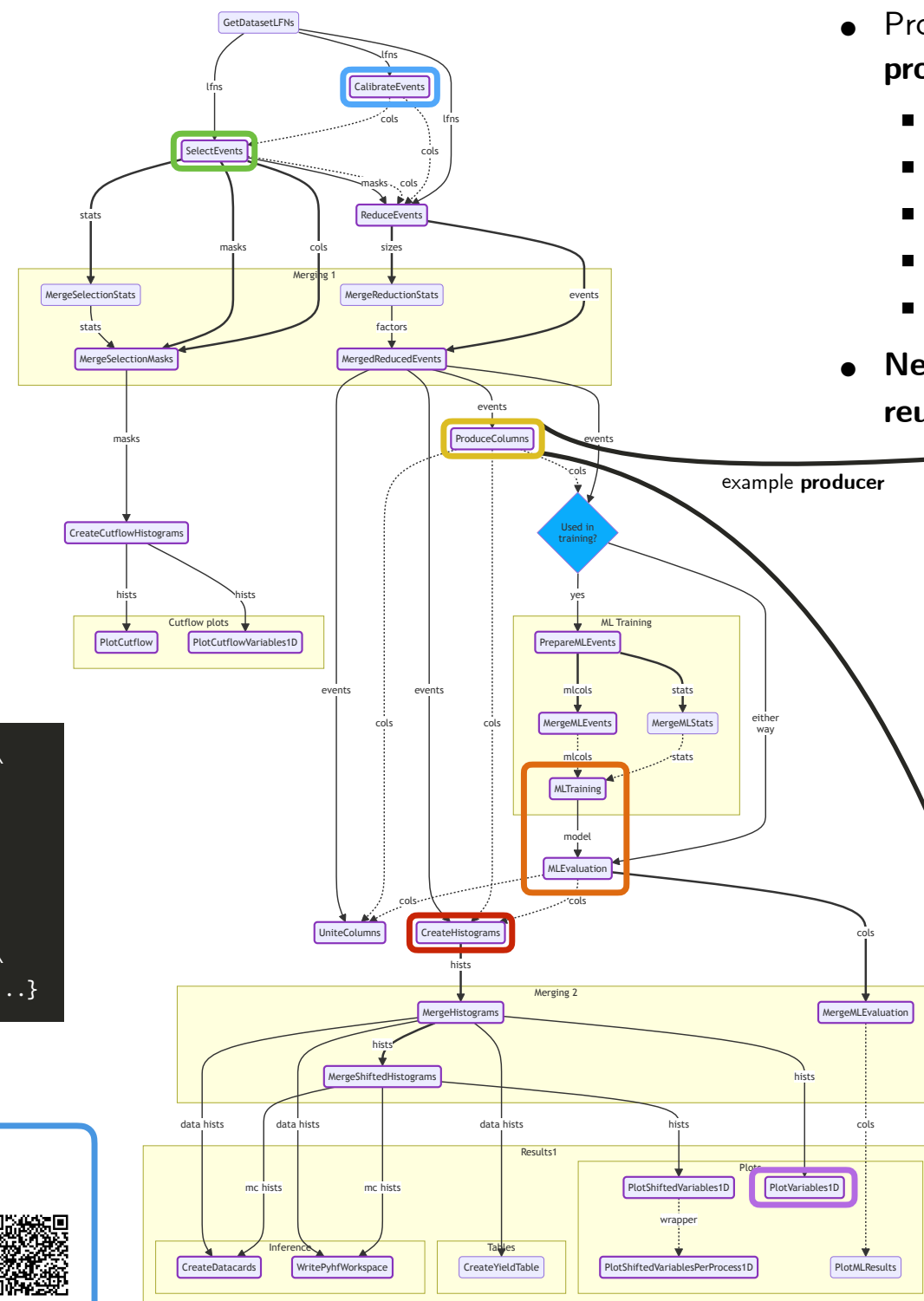
- Experiment **agnostic core**
 - ▷ Organize experiment-specific recipes in extensions
- Use awkward arrays as interface, parquet as file format
 - ▷ Give **users full control** over processing tools (NumPy, TensorFlow, coffea-nano-format, pandas, ...)
- High degree of **code-reuse** and collaboration
- Define **workflows** with **luigi** + **law**, metadata with **order**
- Control and execution via **CLI**, **scripts** and **notebooks**

Automation stack



Example graph*

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Parallelization over ...

- Campaigns & datasets
 - Files
 - Systematics
- ▷ Typically $\mathcal{O}(10k)$ 60min jobs, **however**, on **standard resources**
- ▷ HTCondor, CRAB, ...

Graph execution

- **Single command** can trigger the full pipeline from **inputs to plots**
- **Example**

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  --workflow {crab,htcondor,...}
```

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- Provide simple functions, **producers**, to create
 - **calibrated (updated) columns**
 - **selection masks**
 - **new columns**
 - **ML training & evaluation**
 - **variables**
- **Nesting** enables for easy reuse and capsulation

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) -> ak.Array:
    """Creates muon weights using the correctionLib"""
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    abs_eta = flat_np_view(events.muon_eta[muon_mask], axis=1)
    pt = flat_np_view(events.muon_pt[muon_mask], axis=1)
    # loop over systematic
    for syst, postfix in [
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    ]:
        sf_flat = self.muon_sf_corrector(self.year, abs_eta, pt, syst)
        # add the correct layout to it
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        # store it
        events = set_ak_column(events, f"muon_weight({postfix})", weight,
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- Using bare **awkward arrays**
- Implementation and choice of tools fully up to user

Documentation

github.com/columnflow
columnflow.readthedocs.io



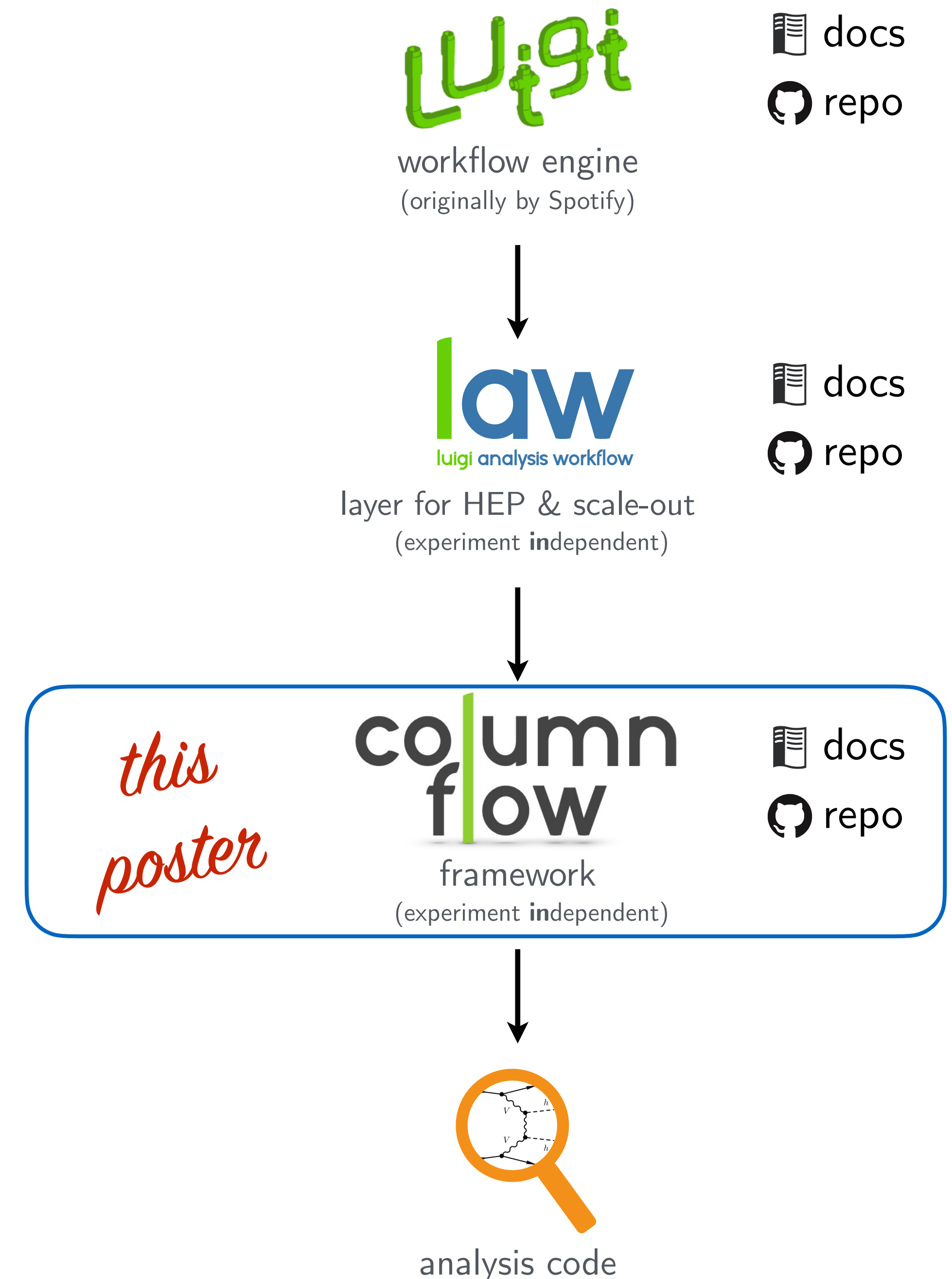
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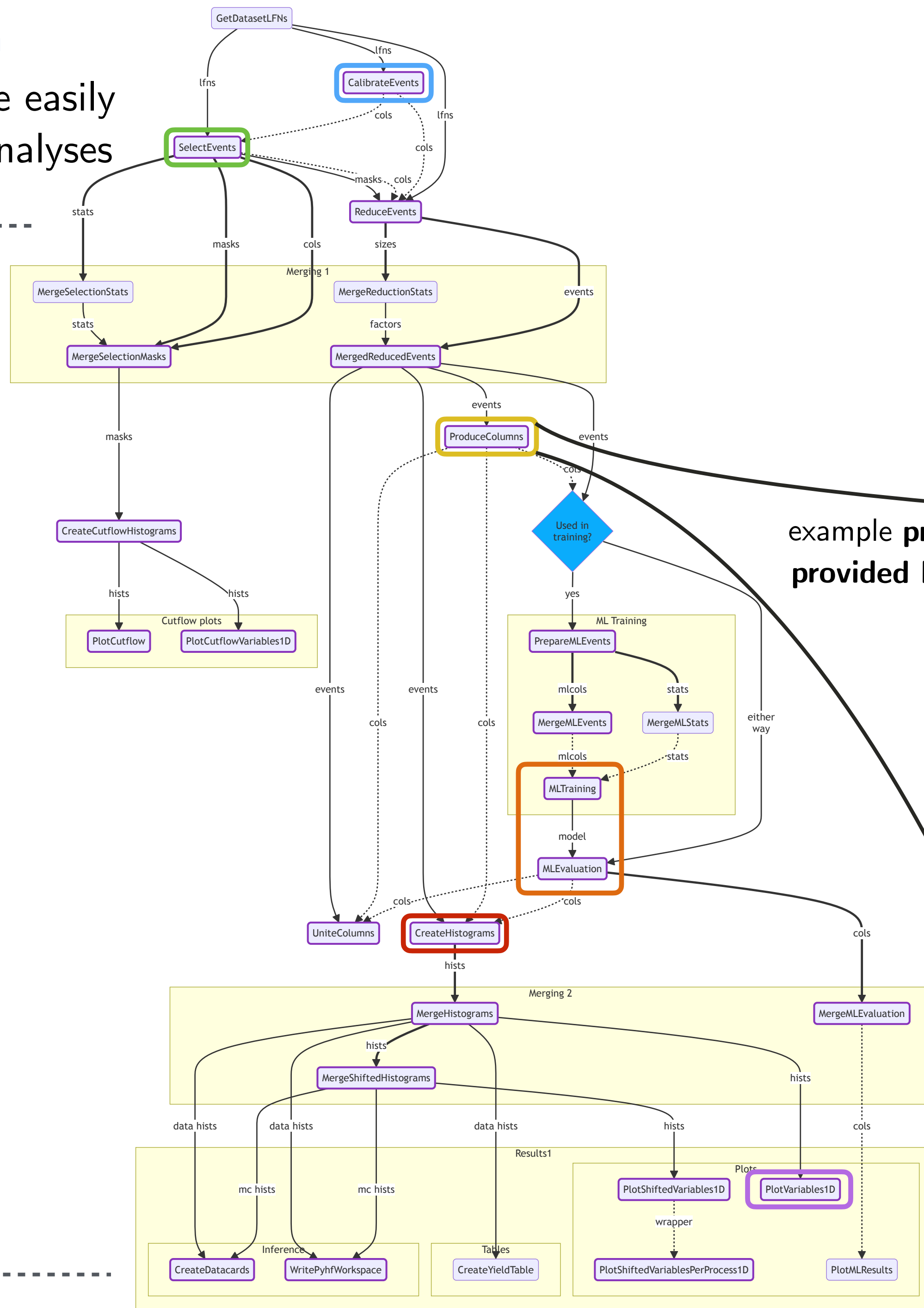




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example producer provided by user

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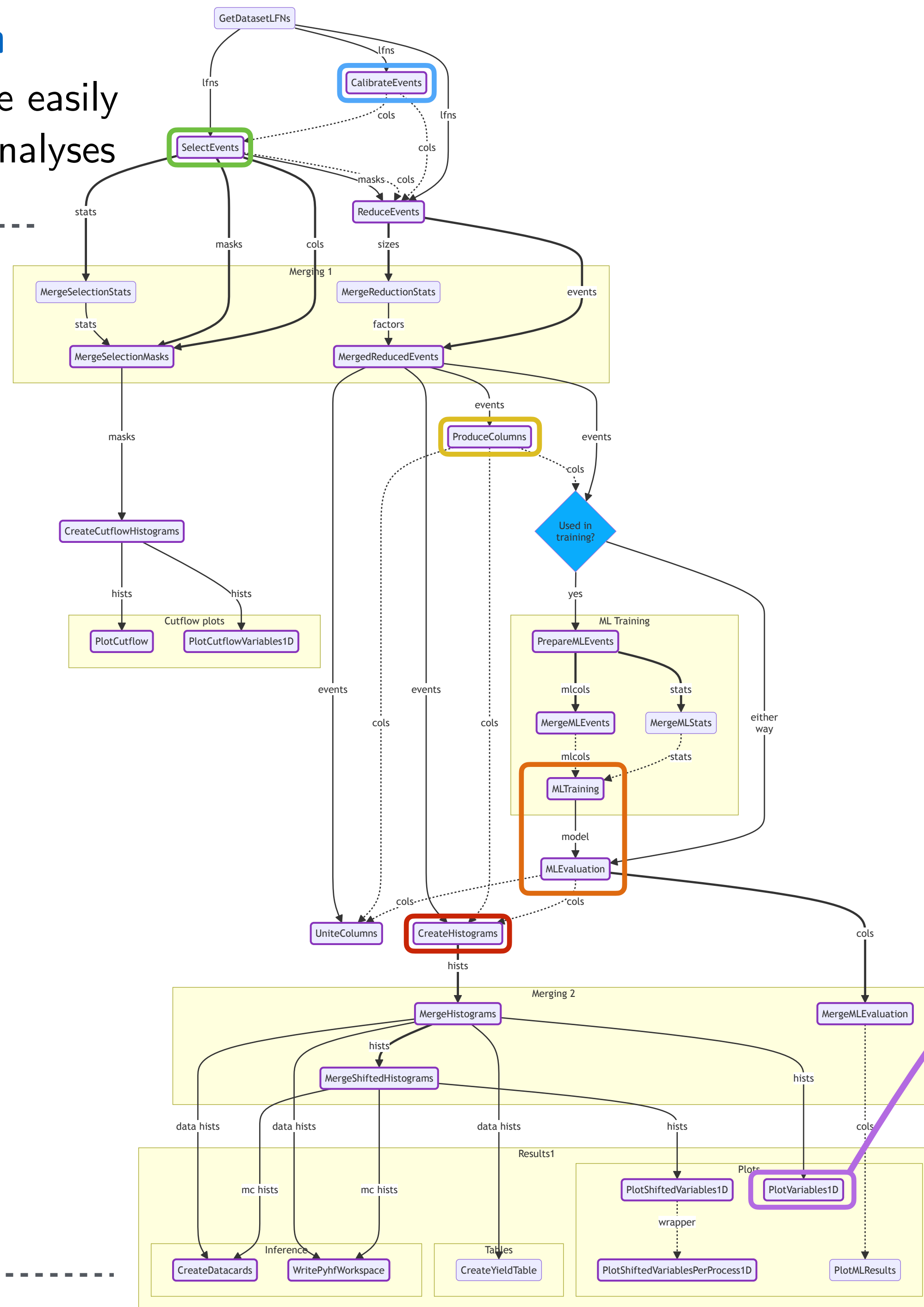
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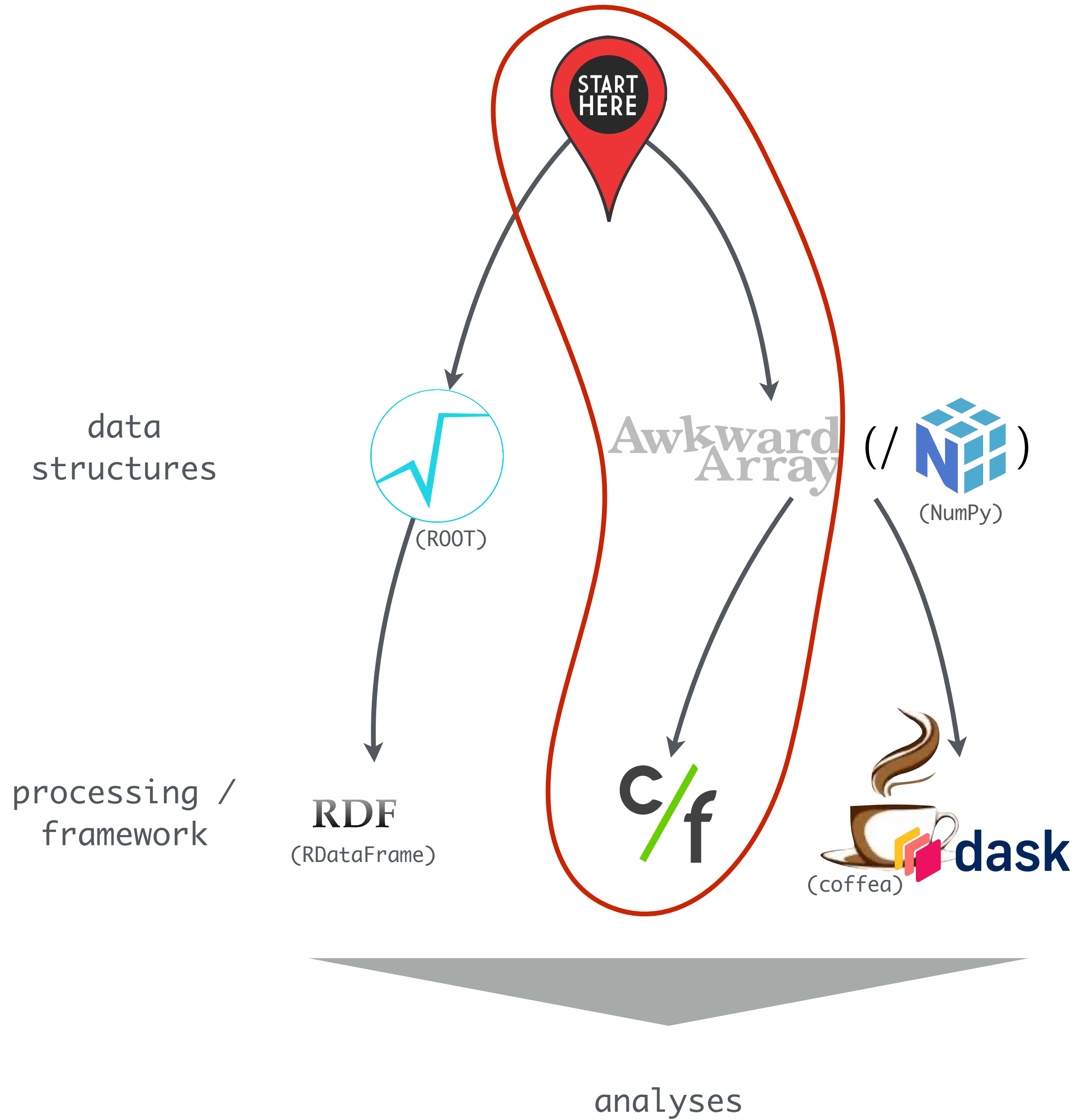
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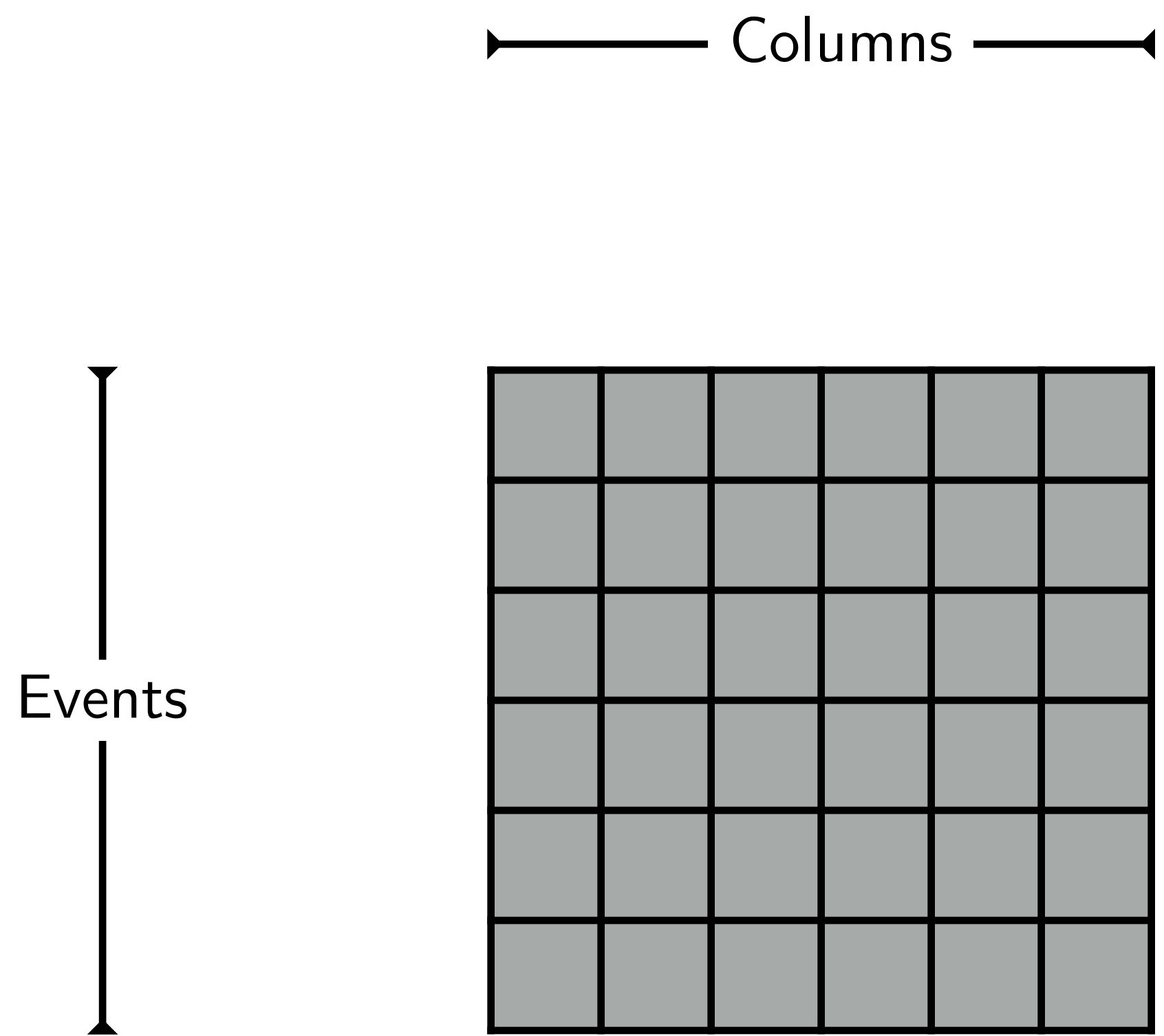
columnflow in depth

- **Python framework for vectorized, columnar HEP analysis with flat (nano-like) inputs**
 - Mostly experiment agnostic **core**, plenty of CMS-related **specializations** on top
 - Using [awkward arrays](#) + [coffea nano-scheme](#), [parquet](#) as file format
 - Workflows with [luigi/law](#), metadata definition using [order](#)



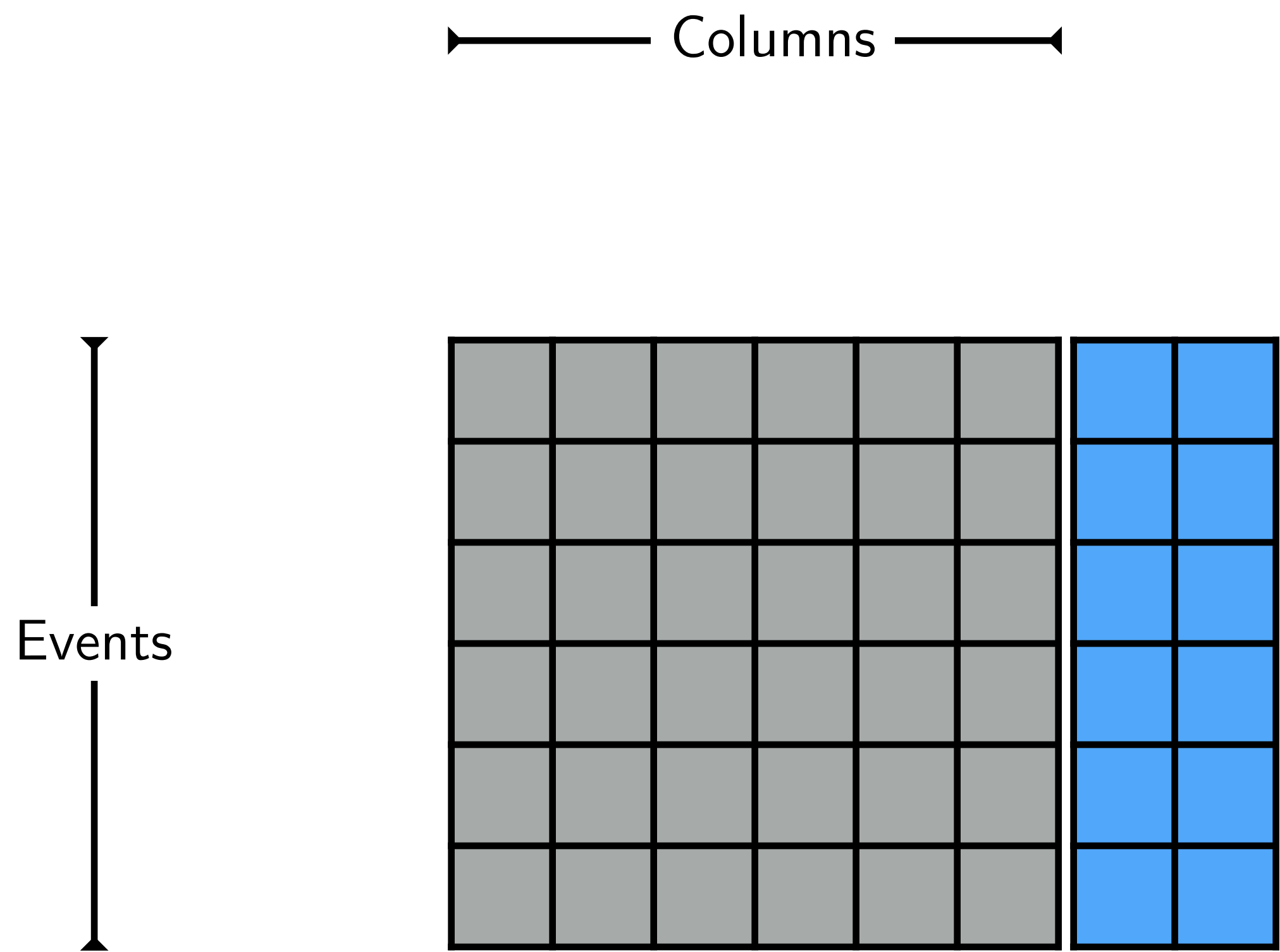
- **Our initial wishlist**
 - End-to-end **orchestration & automation**
 - ▷ One command can trigger the entire workflow
 - Highly parallel execution on **any remote batch system**
 - ▷ HTCondor, Slurm, LSF, WLCG, CMS-CRAB, ...
 - Seamless integration of **any remote storage system**
 - ▷ *Storage:* file://, xrootd://, gsiftp://, webdav://, ...
 - No reliance on custom, local hardware
 - ▷ We need to be able to invite external collaborators
 - ▷ Reduction in speed (**!**) to be compensated with high parallelism
 - **Persistent** intermediate outputs
 - ▷ Easy reuse across groups, ML applications, working with students ...





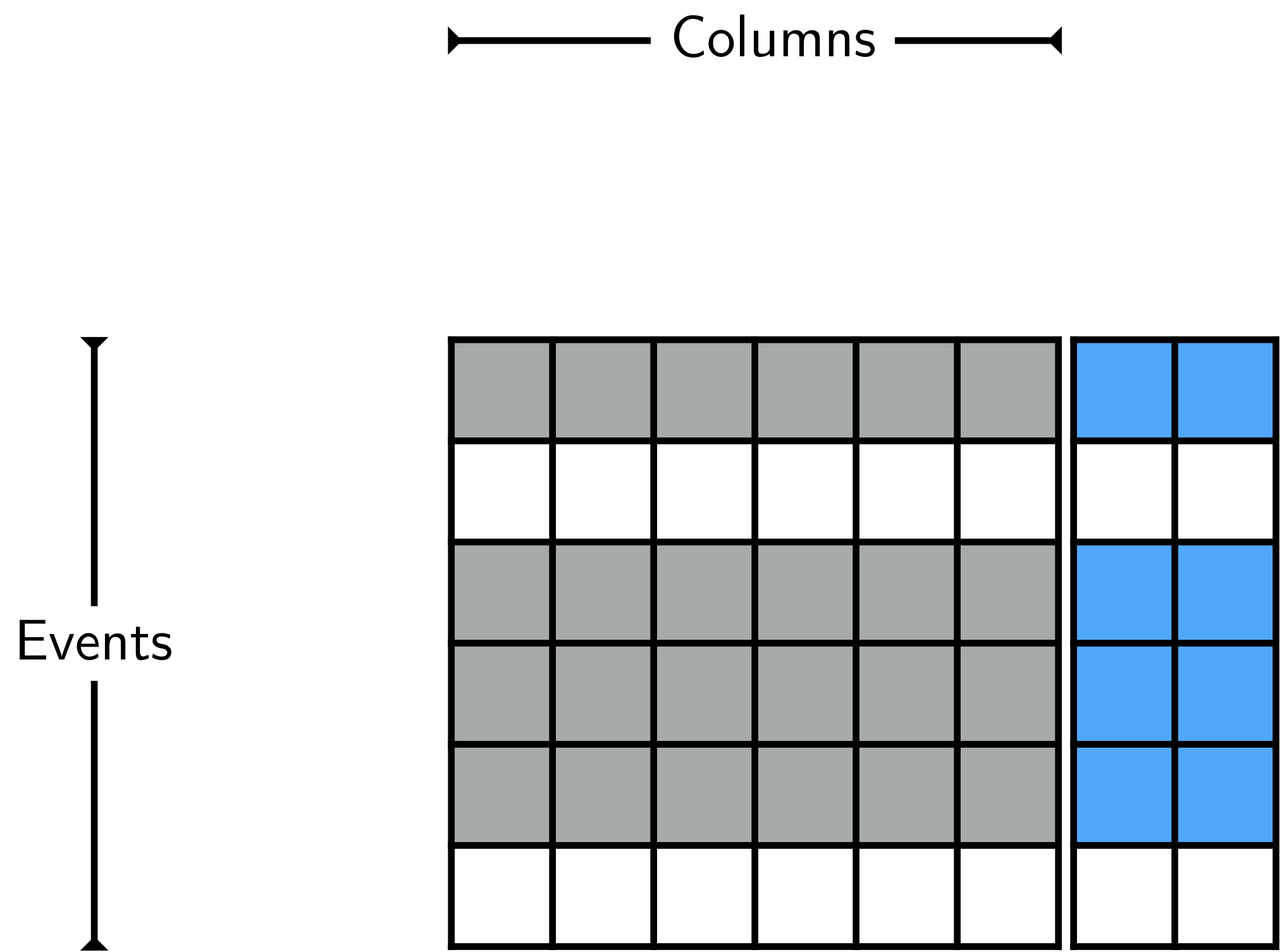
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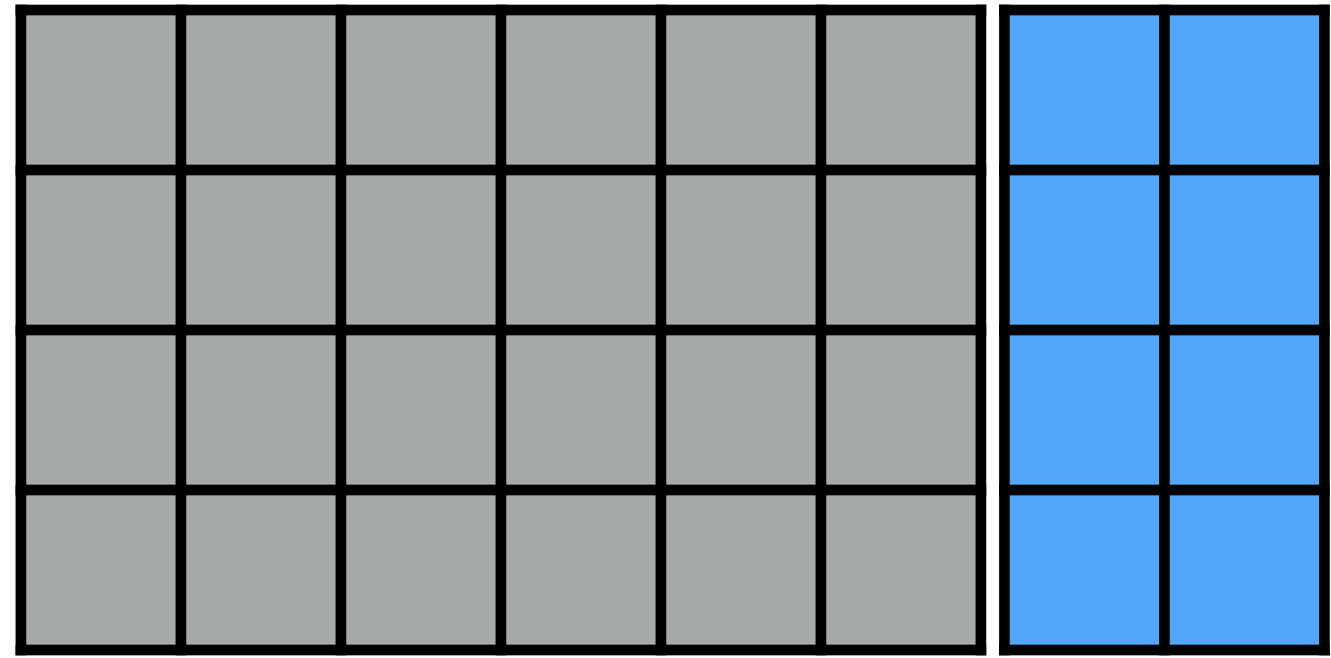
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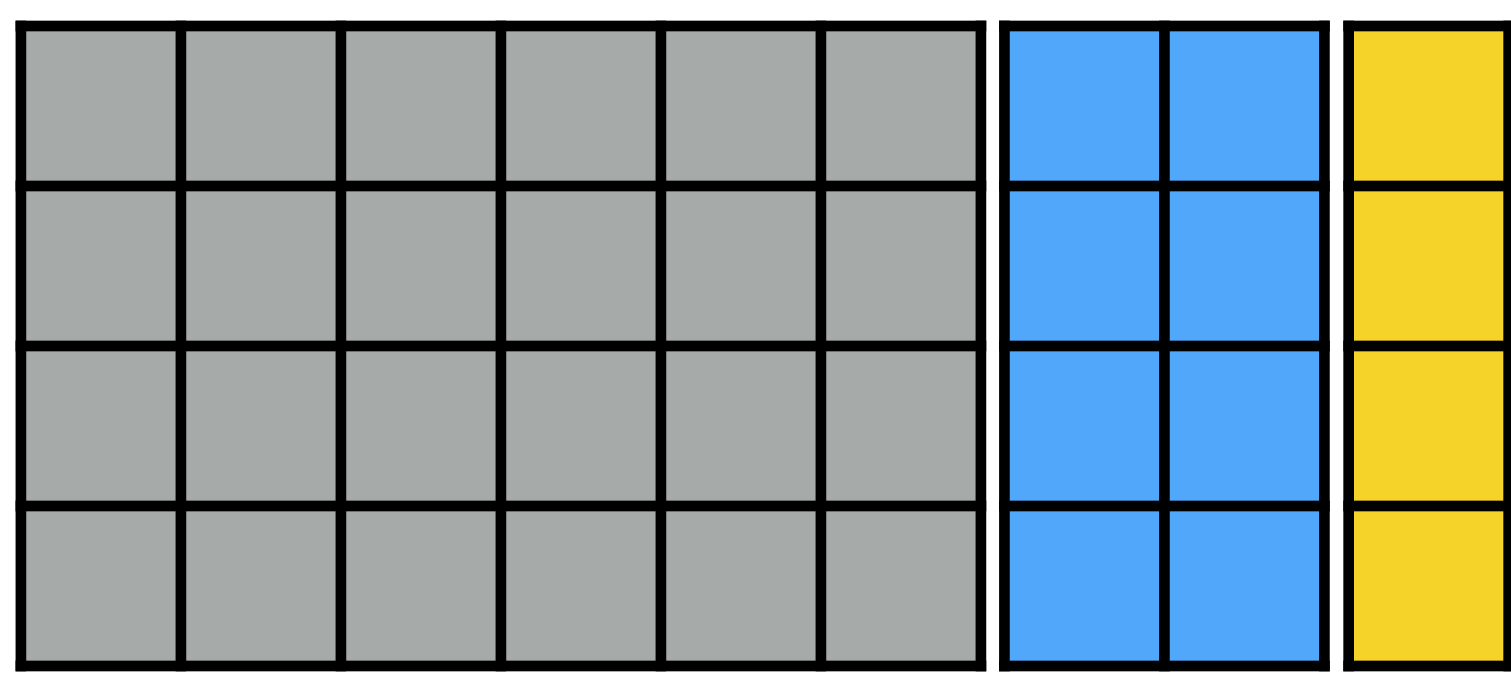
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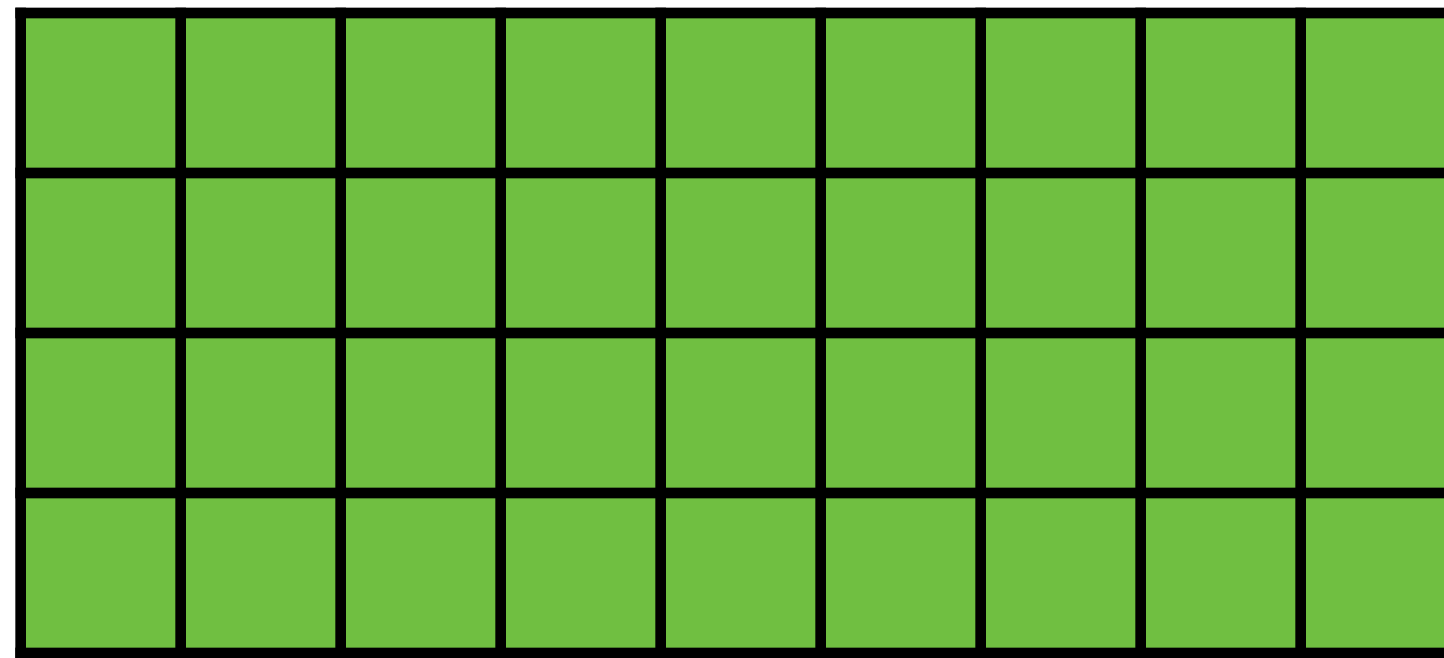
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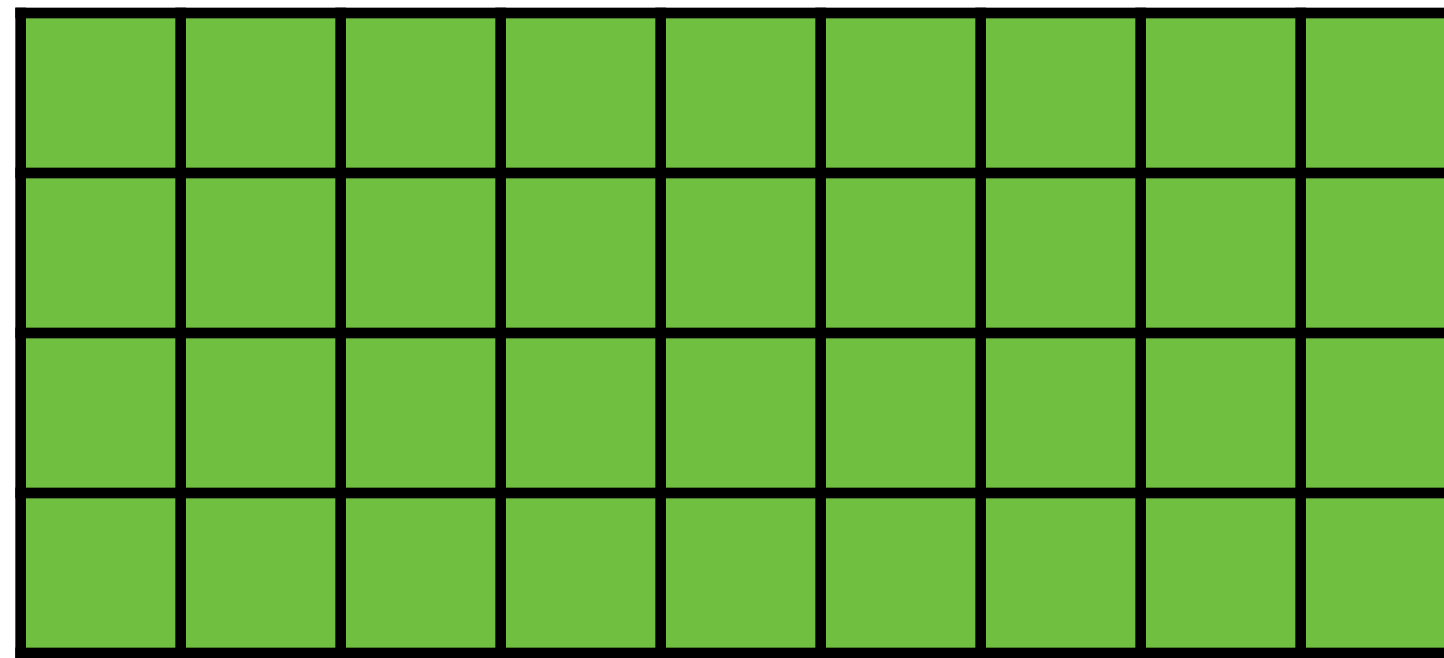
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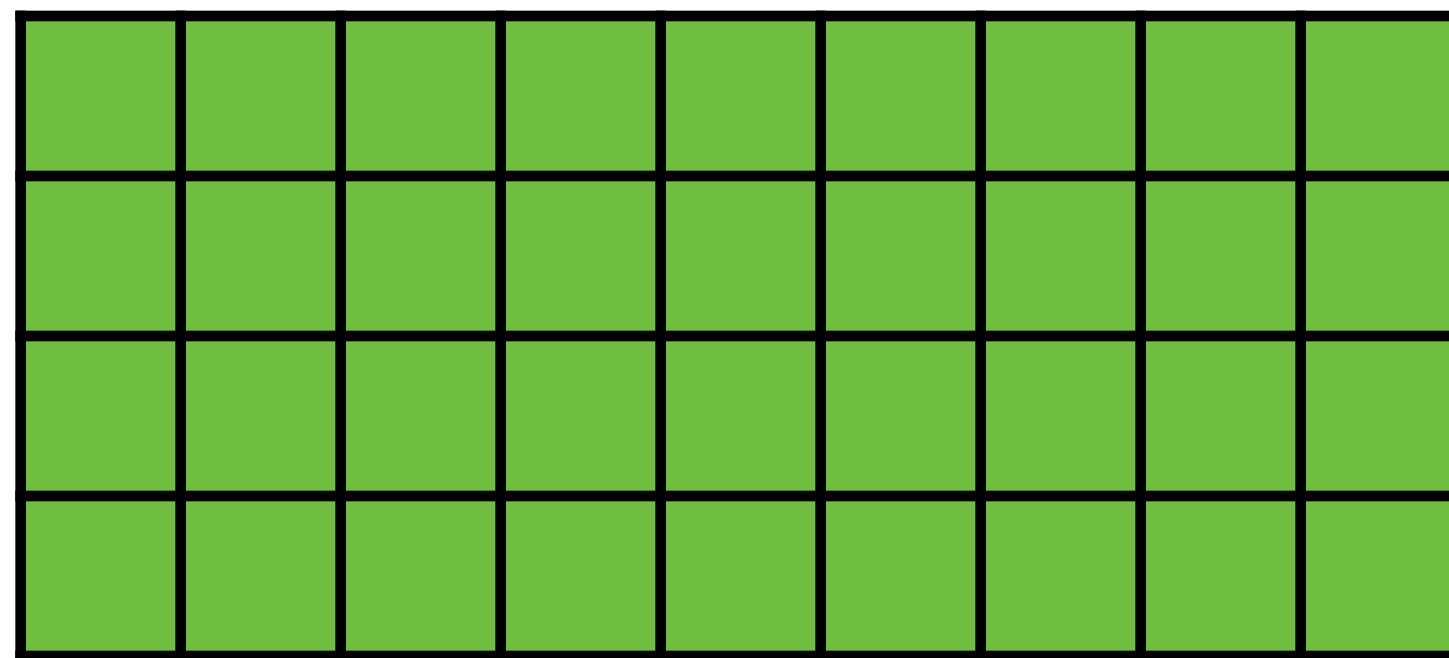


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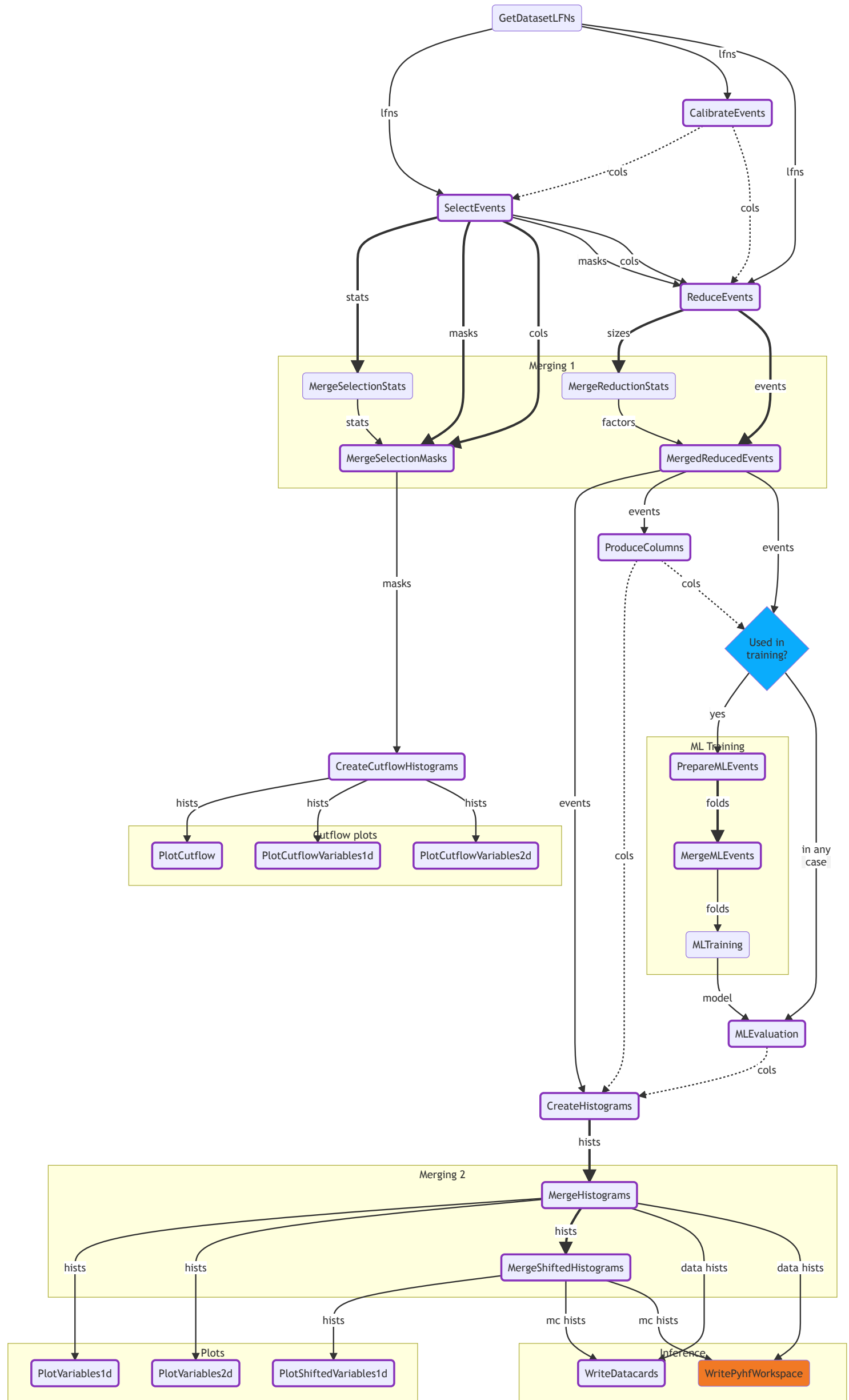
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 -  represent input files
 - ▷ Typically $\mathcal{O}(1k - 10k)$
 - ▷ High parallelism, only **single-core** requirement
 - ▷ Chunked reading with IO offloading to threads
 -  and  represent columns, potentially stored in **additional files** and **same event order**
 - ▷ Flexible decisions by analyses whether to store columns and when to load them
 - ▷ Can be written & read in multi-threaded IO
 - ▷ Only write merged  when necessary



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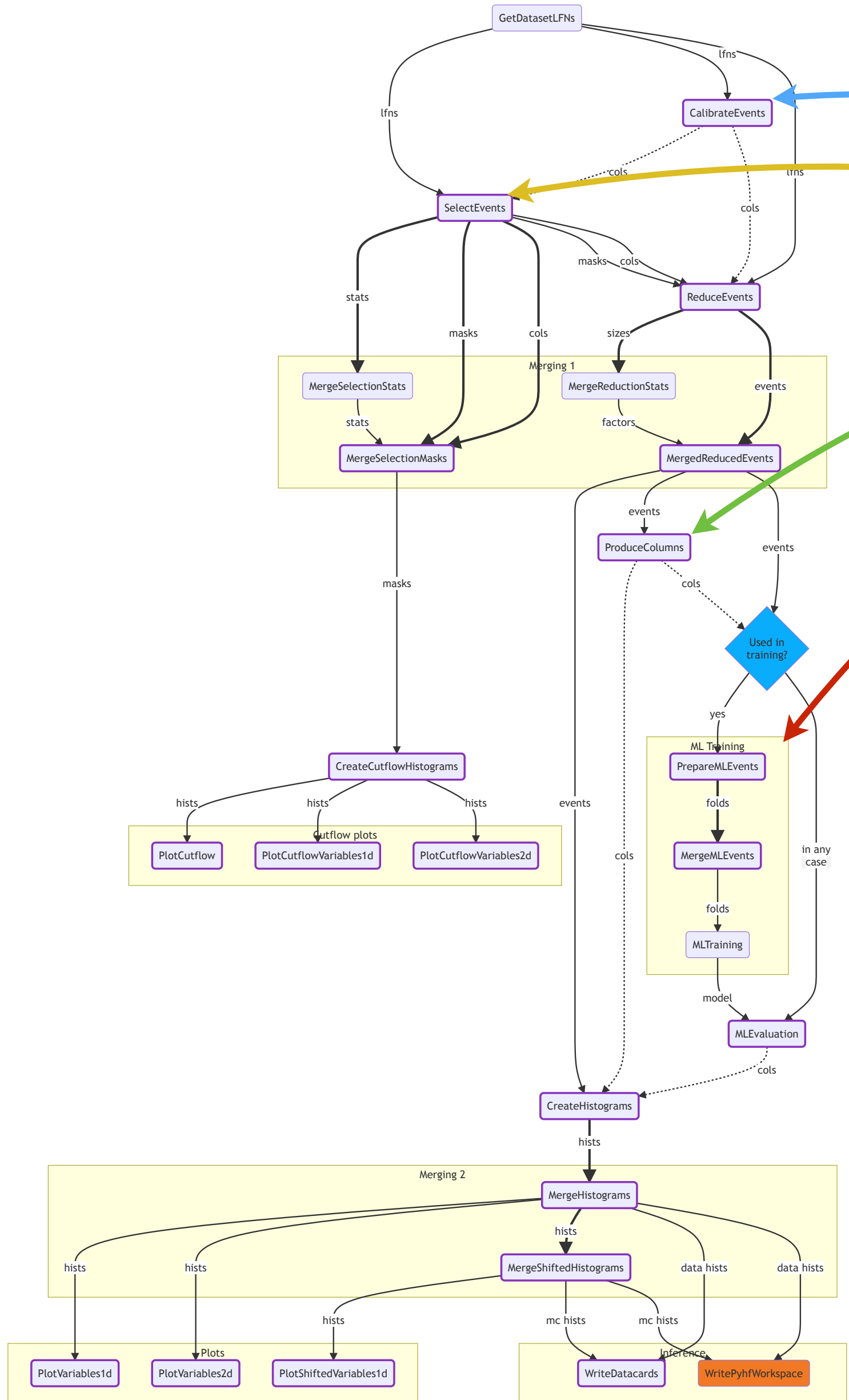


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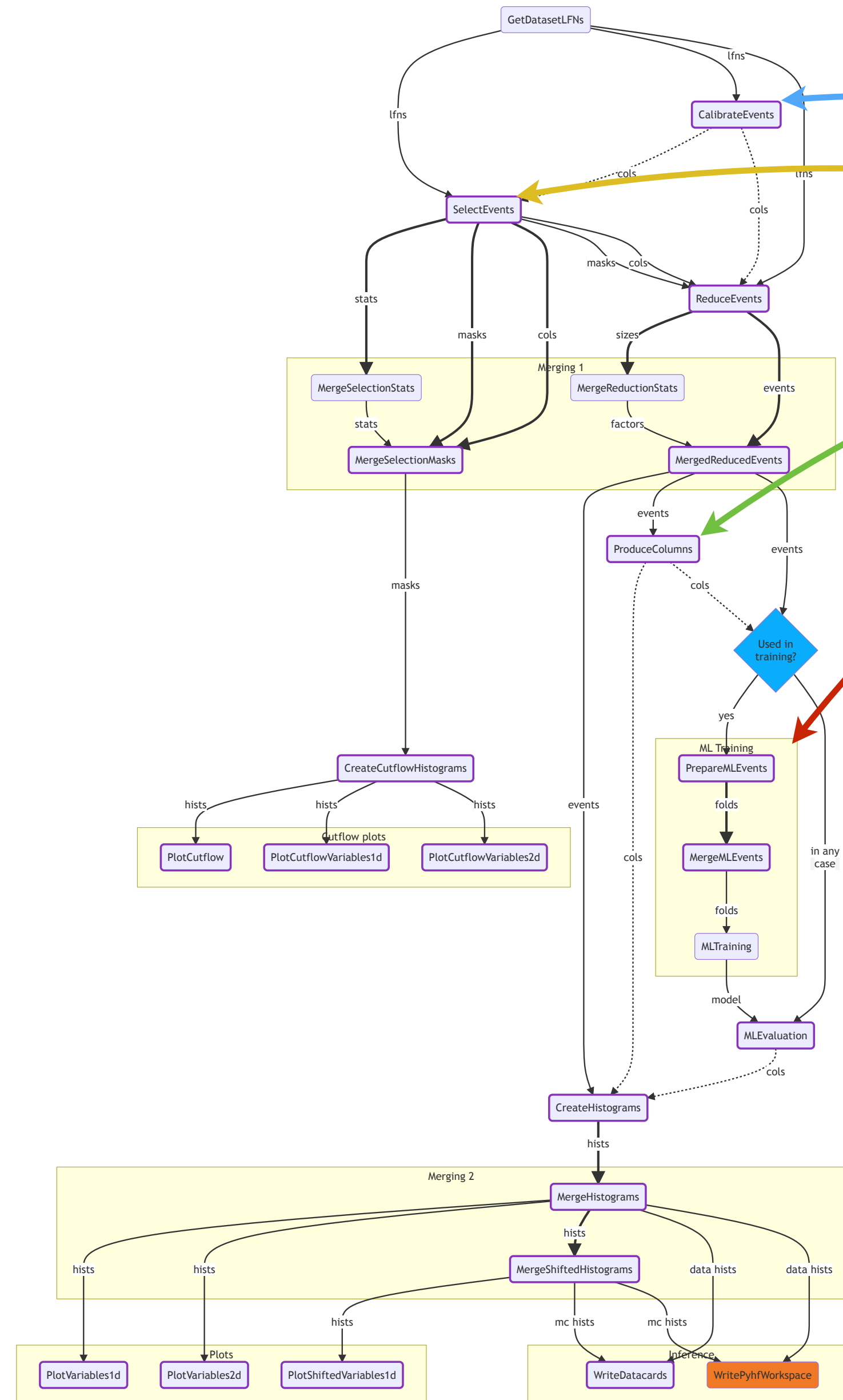
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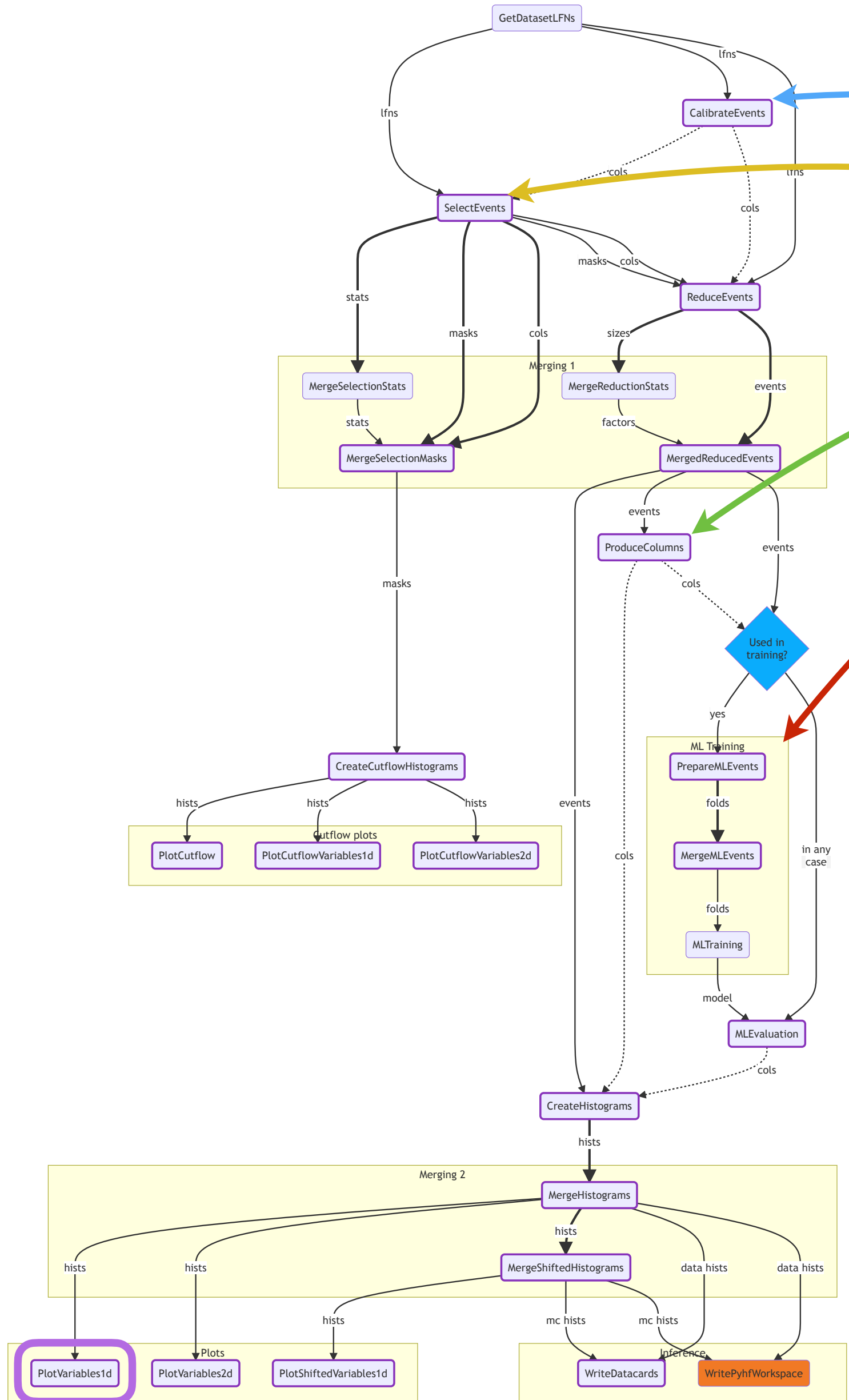


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- **3 Collection of standardized column producers (CMS)**
 - Mostly SF and weight production using `correctionlib` → `jec`, `jer`, `tec`, `e_sf`, `mu_sf`, `trigger_sf`, `btag_sf`, ...
 - Plug-in mechanism for analyses



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) -> ak.Array:
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  abs_eta = flat_np_view(abs(events.Muon.eta[muon_mask]), axis=1)
  pt = flat_np_view(events.Muon.pt[muon_mask], axis=1)

  # loop over systematics
  for syst, postfix in [
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  ]:
    sf_flat = self.muon_sf_corrector(self.year, abs_eta, pt, syst)

    # add the correct layout to it
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Nested producer

```

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    normalized_murmuf_weight, normalized_pu_weight, normalized_btag_weights,
    tau_weights, electron_weights, muon_weights, trigger_weights,
  },
  produces={
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  },
)
def default(self: Producer, events: ak.Array, **kwargs) -> ak.Array:
  # category ids
  events = self[category_ids](events, **kwargs)

  # features
  events = self[features](events, **kwargs)

  # mc-only weights
  if self.dataset_inst.is_mc:
    # normalization weights
    events = self[normalization_weights](events, **kwargs)

    # normalized pdf weight
    events = self[normalized_pdf_weight](events, **kwargs)

    # normalized renorm./fact. weight
    events = self[normalized_murmuf_weight](events, **kwargs)

    # normalized pu weights
    events = self[normalized_pu_weight](events, **kwargs)

    # btag weights
    events = self[normalized_btag_weights](events, **kwargs)

    # tau weights
    events = self[tau_weights](events, **kwargs)

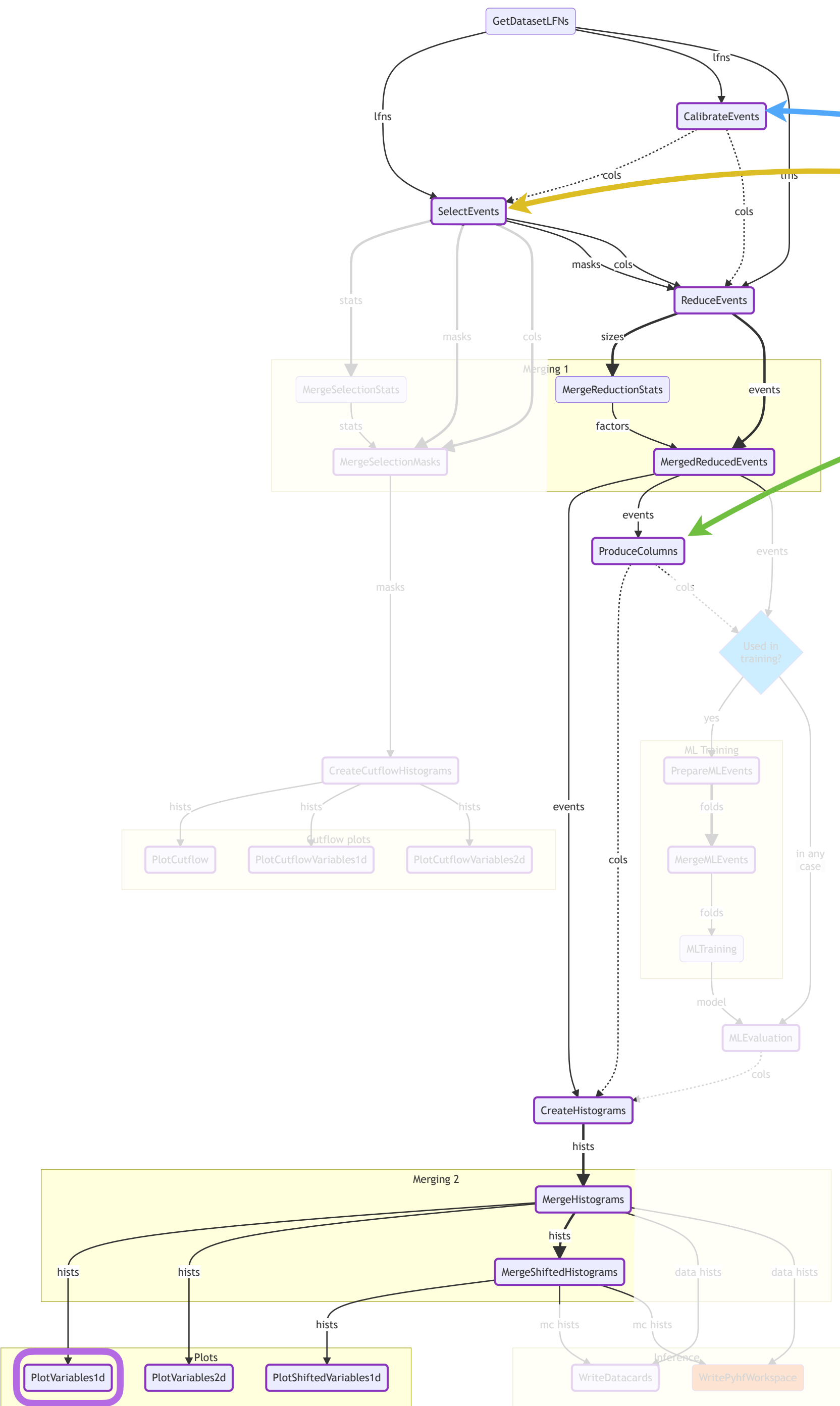
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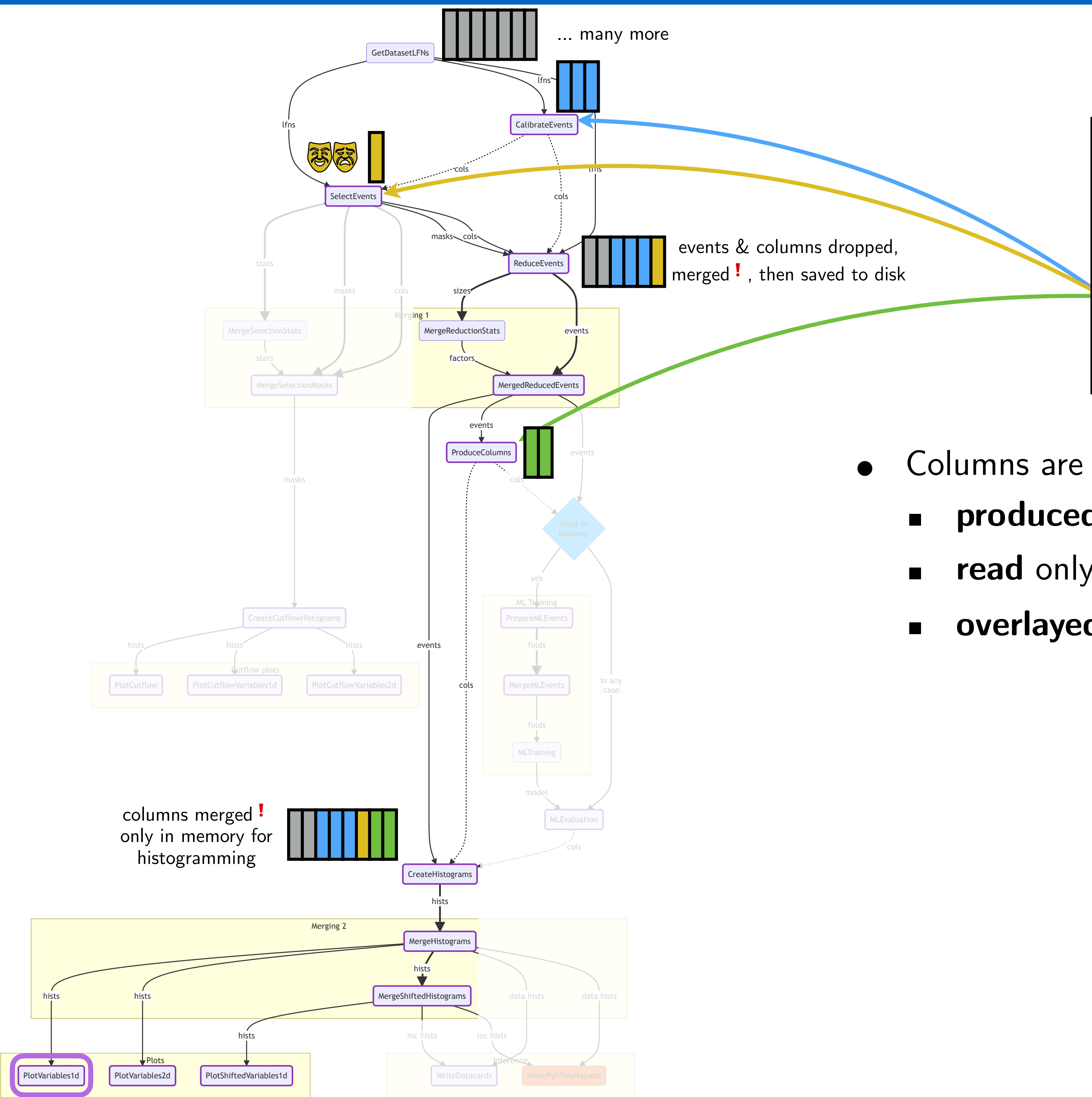
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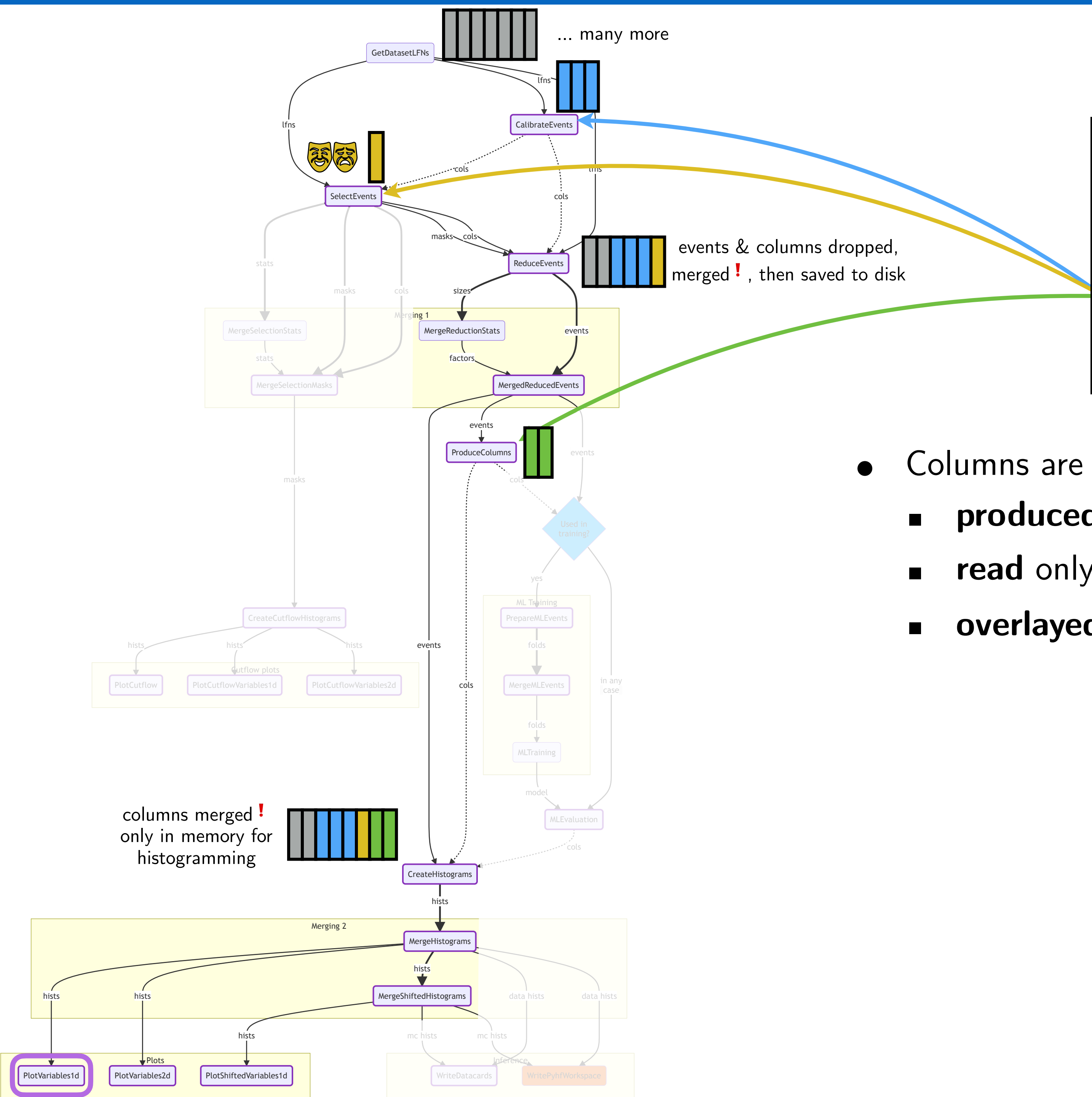
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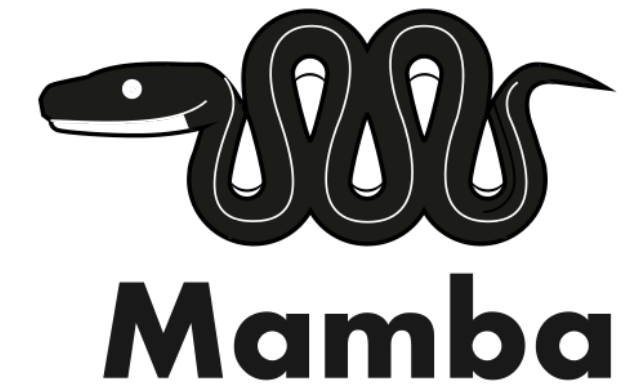


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Base Stack

- micromamba with conda-forge packages
→ contains all required **non-python** packages,
rarely updated
(python3.9, bash/zsh, git, gfal2)



"cf" Sandbox

- Relocatable python virtual env
→ All **python** packages needed to run tasks,
moderately updated
(luigi, law, pyyaml)



Task sandboxes

- Any type: venv, cmssw subshell, docker, ...
→ **Python** packages to run a **specific task**,
frequently updated
(e.g. awkward, numpy, tensorflow, ...)



...



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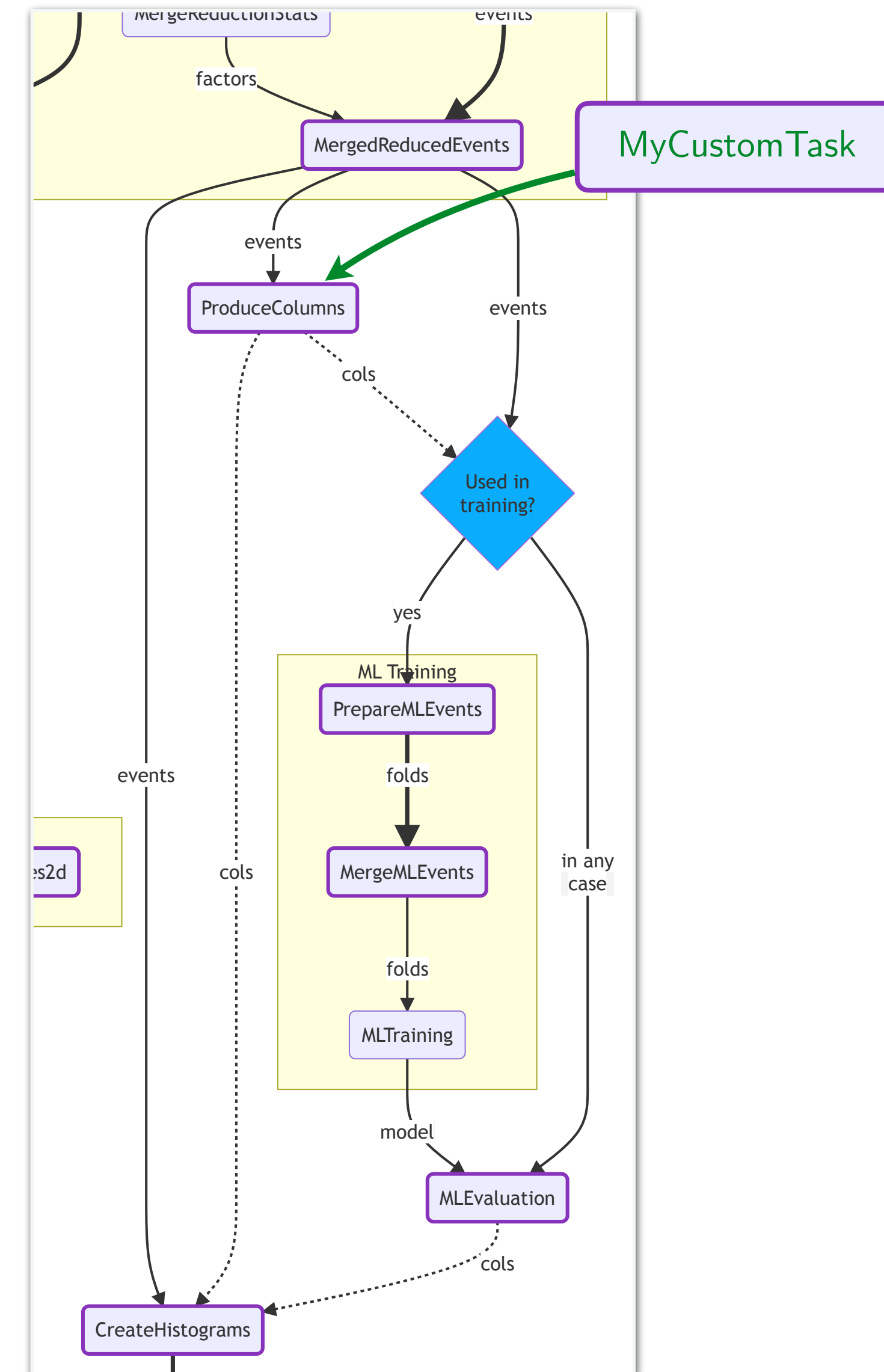
        # add the correct layout to it
        sf = layout_ak_array(sf_flat, events.Muon.pt[muon_mask])

        # create the product over all muons per event
        weight = ak.prod(sf, axis=1, mask_identity=False)

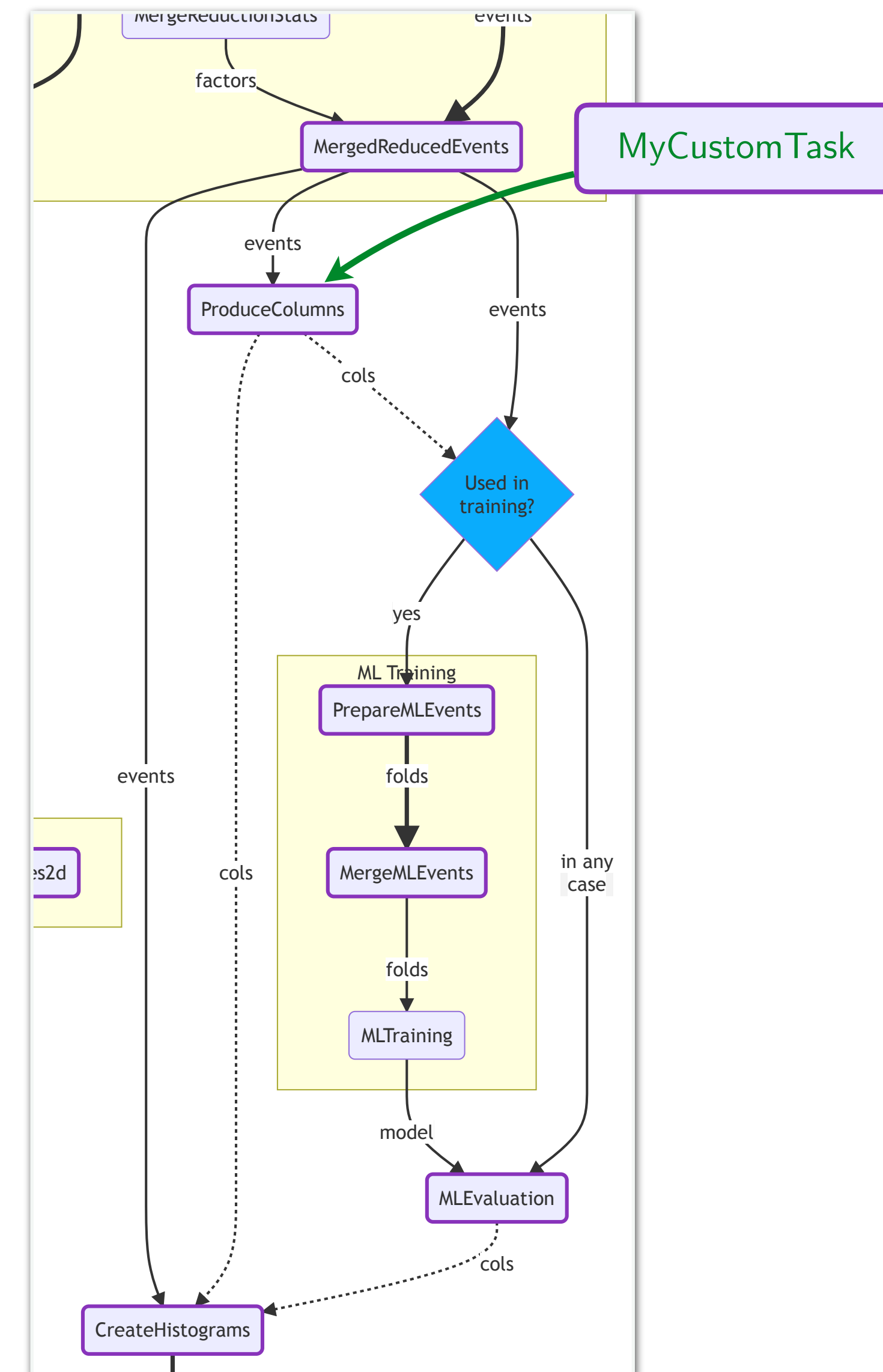
        # store it
        events = set_ak_column(events, f"muon_weight{postfix}", weight, value_type=np.float32)

    return events
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- **Three additional hooks**
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 - ▷ Receives important task variables via `self` (requested dataset, shift, ...)
 - `requires(self, reqs: dict)` -> **None**
 - ▷ Method called when task declares its dependencies
 - ▷ Allows injecting custom dependencies into `reqs` that will be resolved by luigi
 - `setup(self, reqs: dict, inputs: dict, reader_targes: dict)` -> **None**
 - ▷ Method called in task's `run()` **once** before loop over event chunks
 - ▷ Receives `reqs` defined before and corresponding `inputs`
 - ▷ Allows setting up objects to be used in main callable





- `init(self)` -> **None**

```
@jer.init
def jer_init(self: Calibrator) -> None:
    if self.propagate_met:
        self.uses |= {
            "MET.pt", "MET.phi",
        }
    self.produces |= {
        "MET.pt", "MET.phi", "MET.pt_jer_up", "MET.pt_jer_down", "MET.phi_jer_up",
        "MET.phi_jer_down", "MET.pt_unsmear", "MET.phi_unsmear",
    }
```

from [calibration/cms/jets.py](#)

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```
@muon_weights.requires
def muon_weights_requires(self: Producer, reqs: dict) -> None:
    from columnflow.tasks.external import BundleExternalFiles
    reqs["external_files"] = BundleExternalFiles.req(self.task)
```

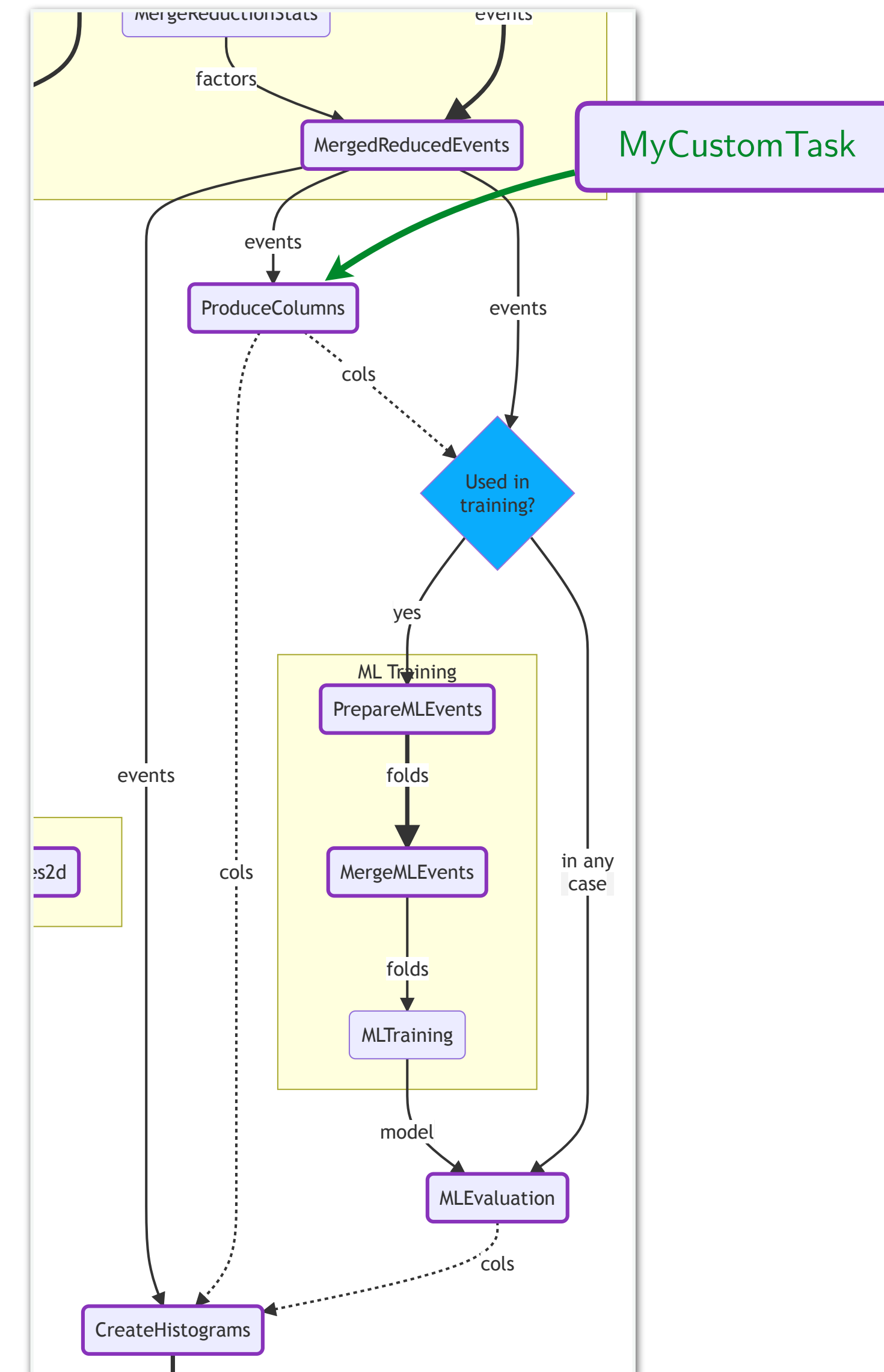
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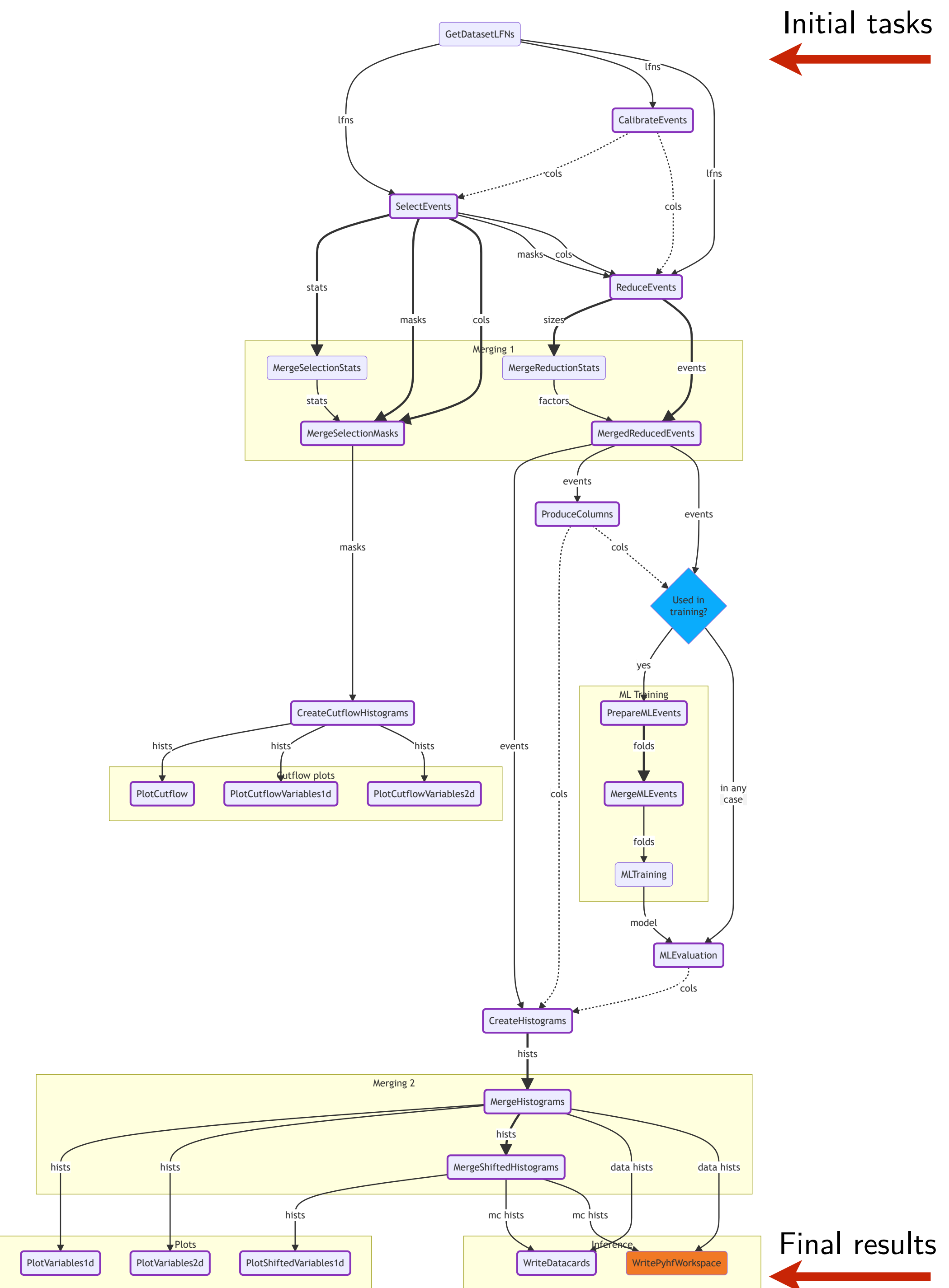
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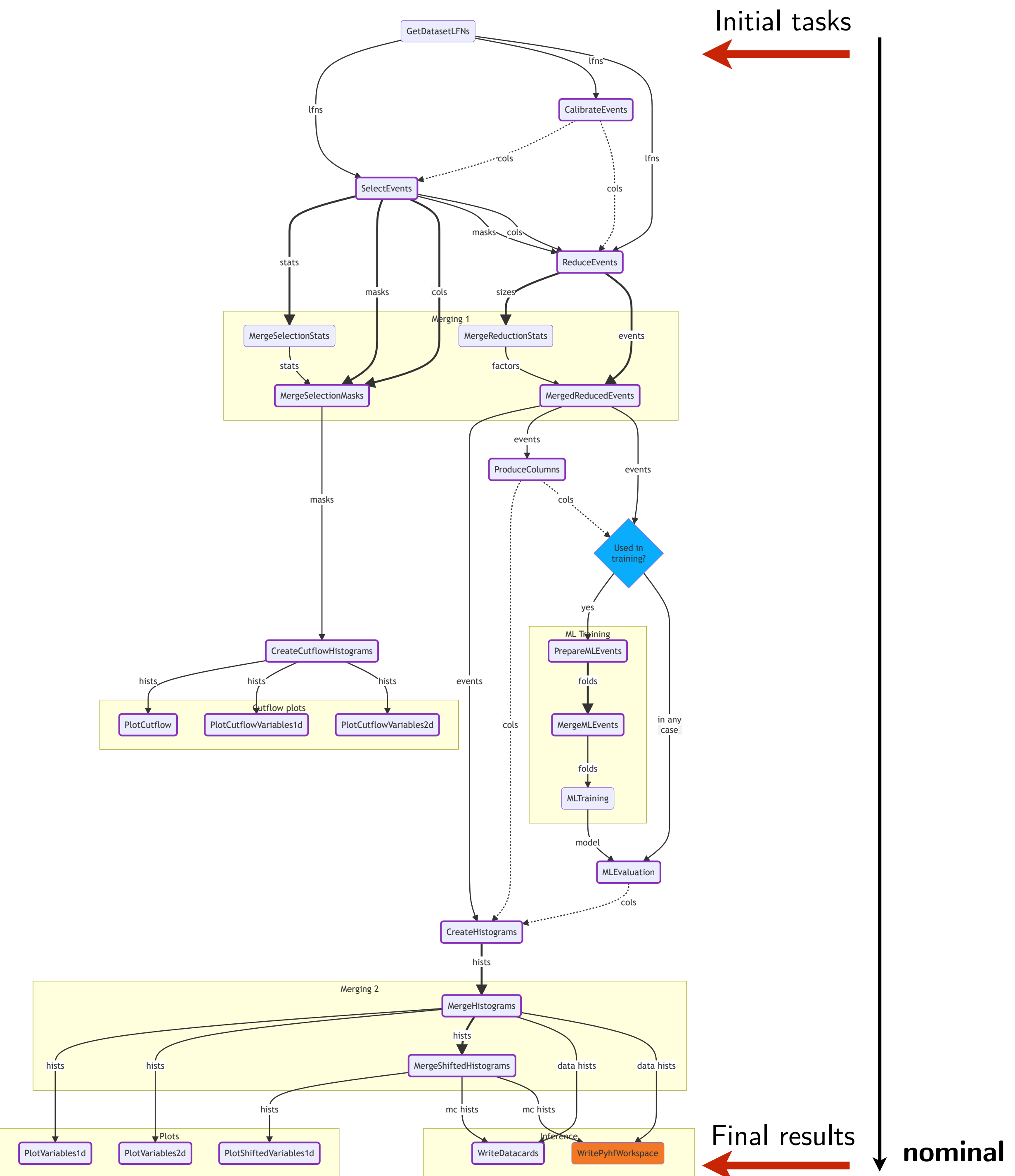
```
@muon_weights.setup
def muon_weights_setup(self: Producer, reqs: dict, inputs: dict, reader_targets: InsertableDict) -> None:
    bundle = reqs["external_files"]

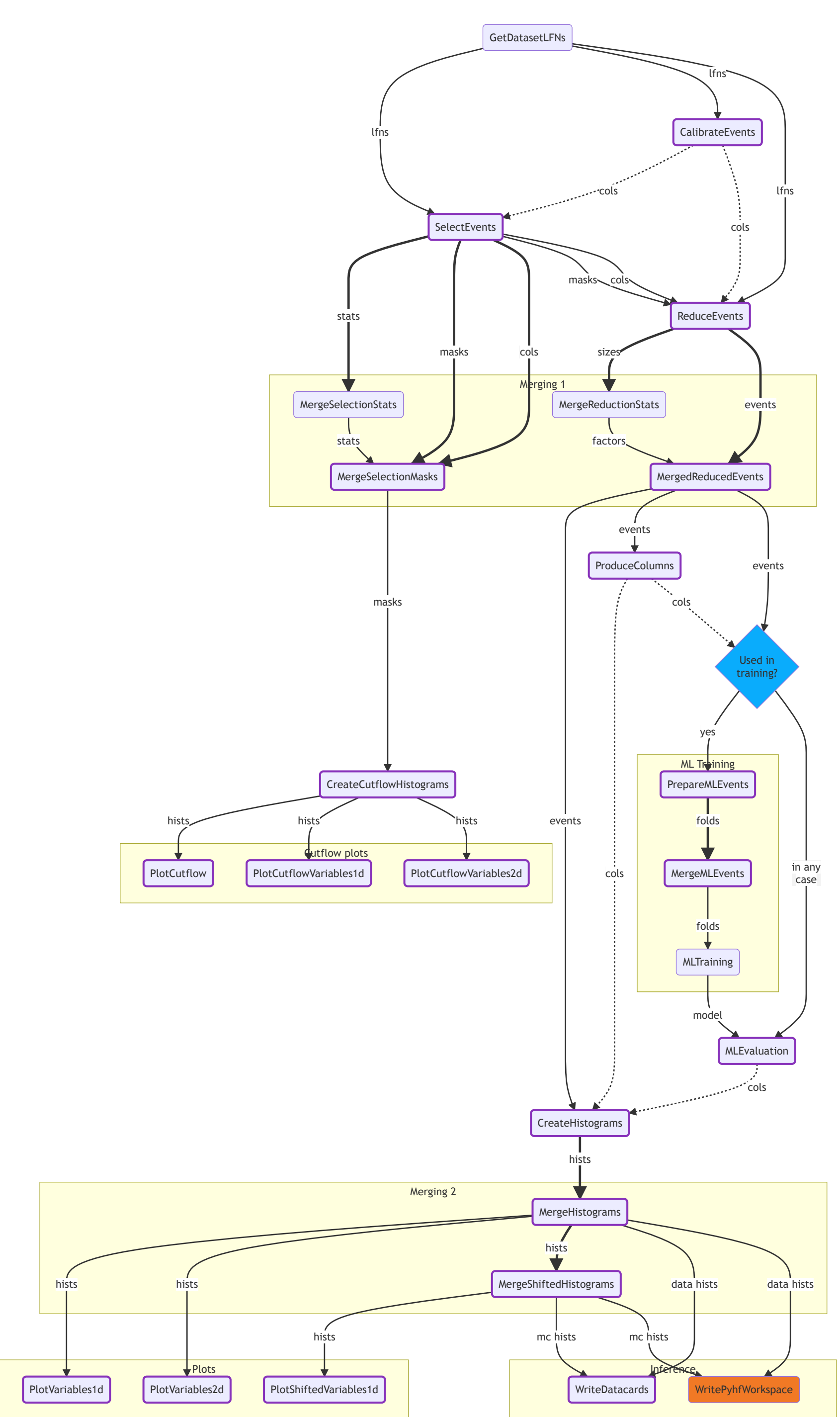
    # create the corrector
    import correctionlib
    correctionlib.highlevel.Correction.__call__ = correctionlib.highlevel.Correction.evaluate
    correction_set = correctionlib.CorrectionSet.from_string(
        self.get_muon_file(bundle.files).load(formatter="gzip").decode("utf-8"),
    )
    corrector_name, self.year = self.get_muon_config()
    self.muon_sf_corrector = correction_set[corrector_name]
```

from [production/cms/muon.py](#)









Initial tasks

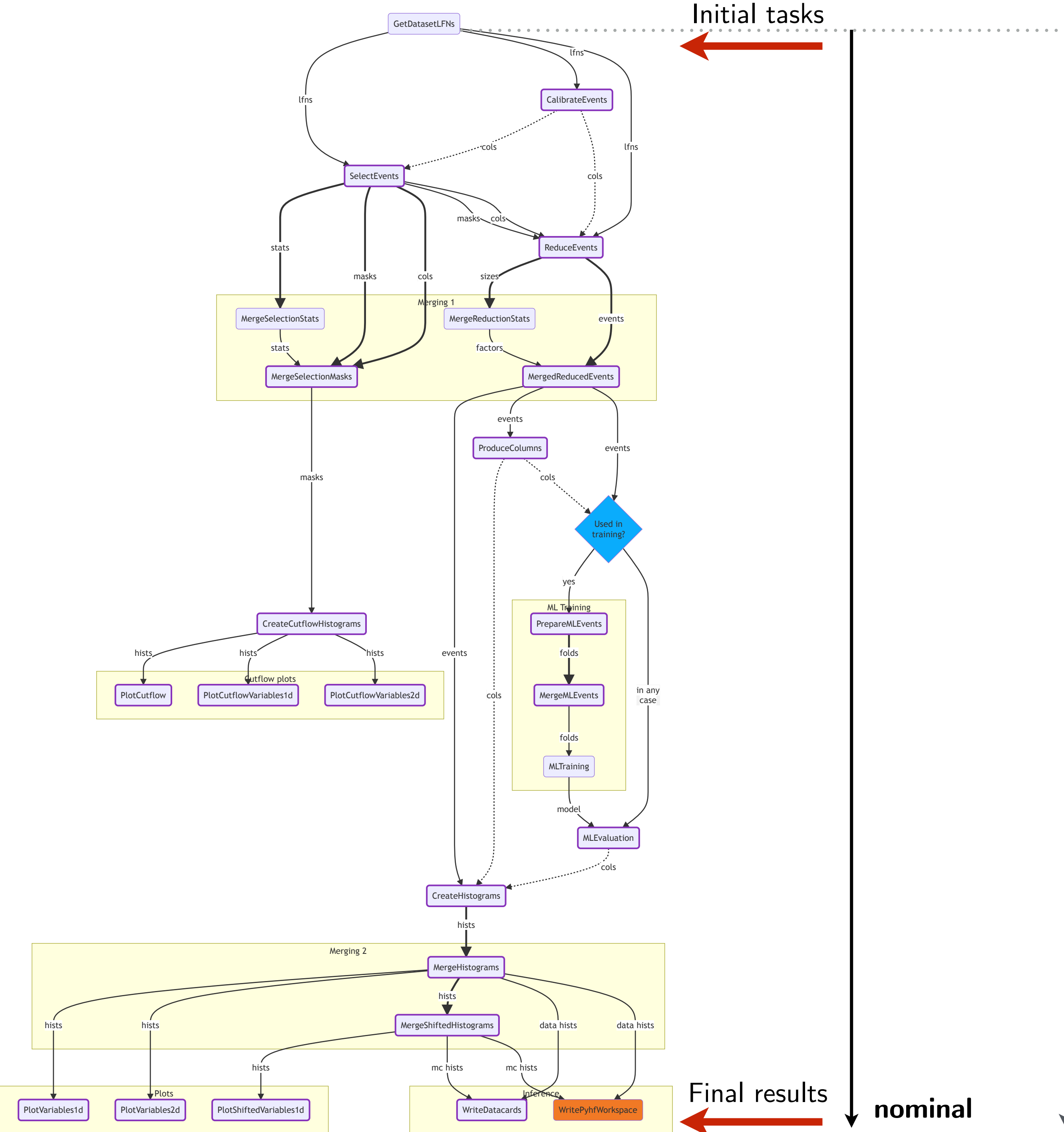


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nominal tune(up|down) jec(up|down) pileup(up|down) ...

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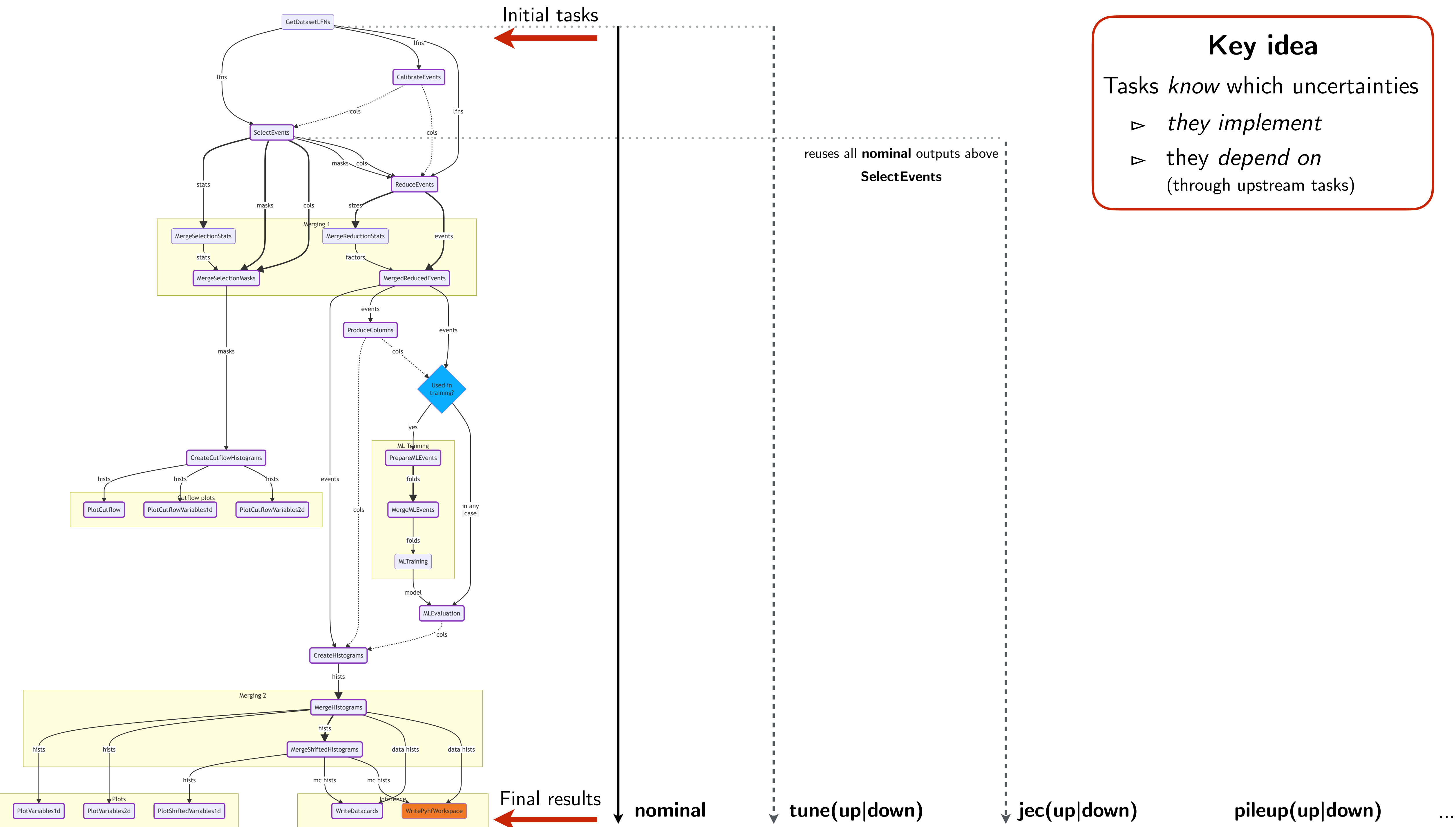
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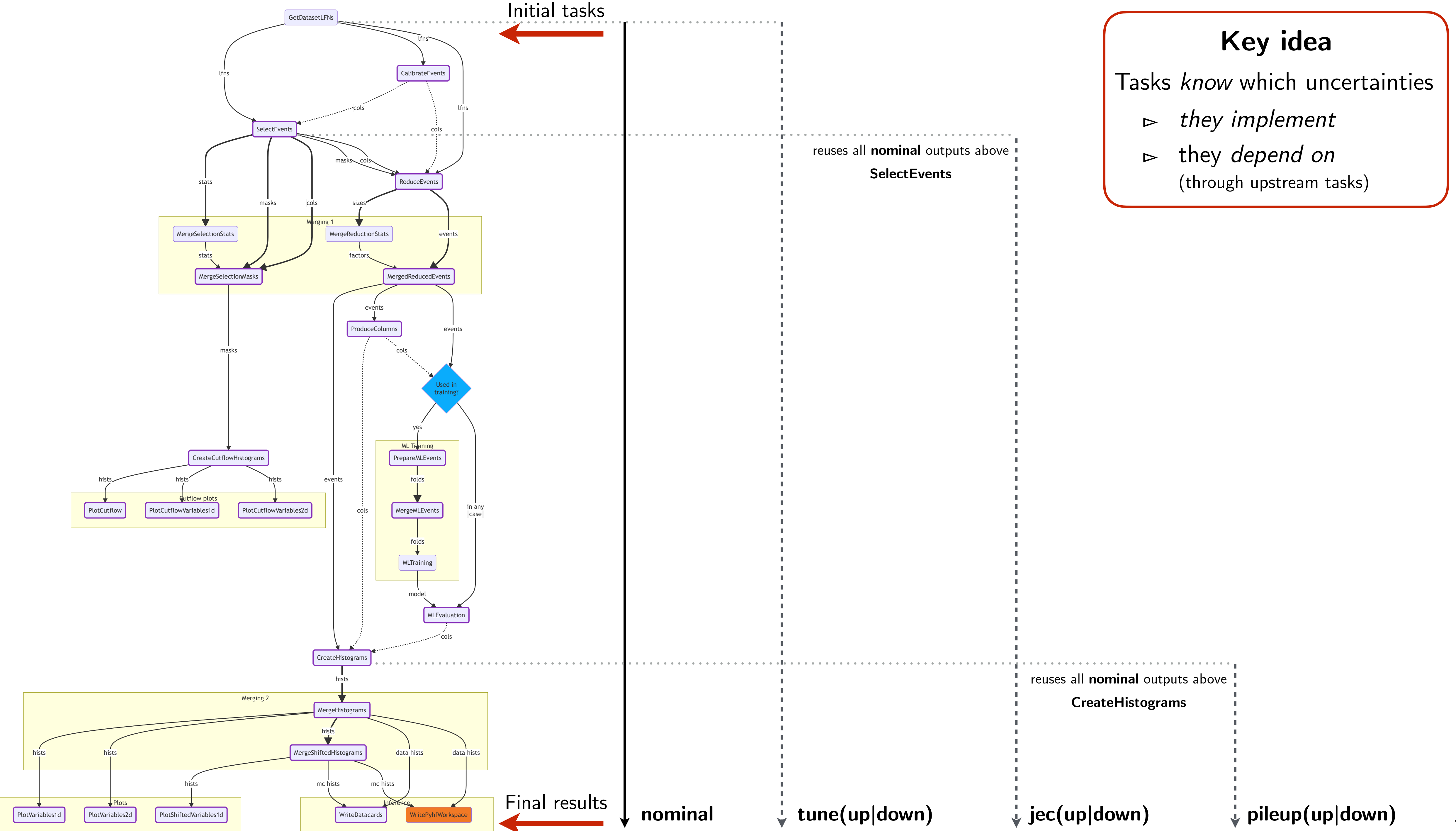
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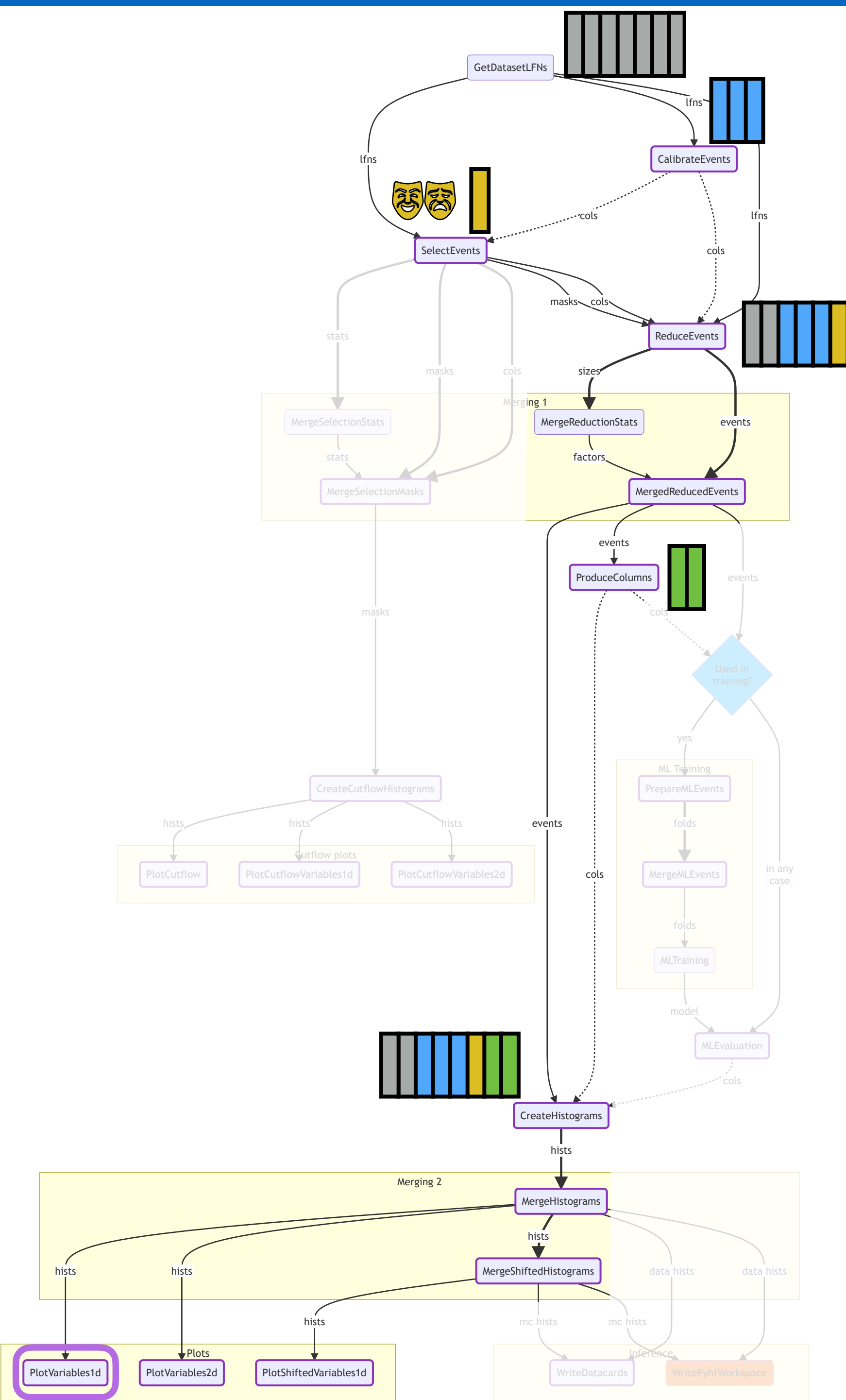
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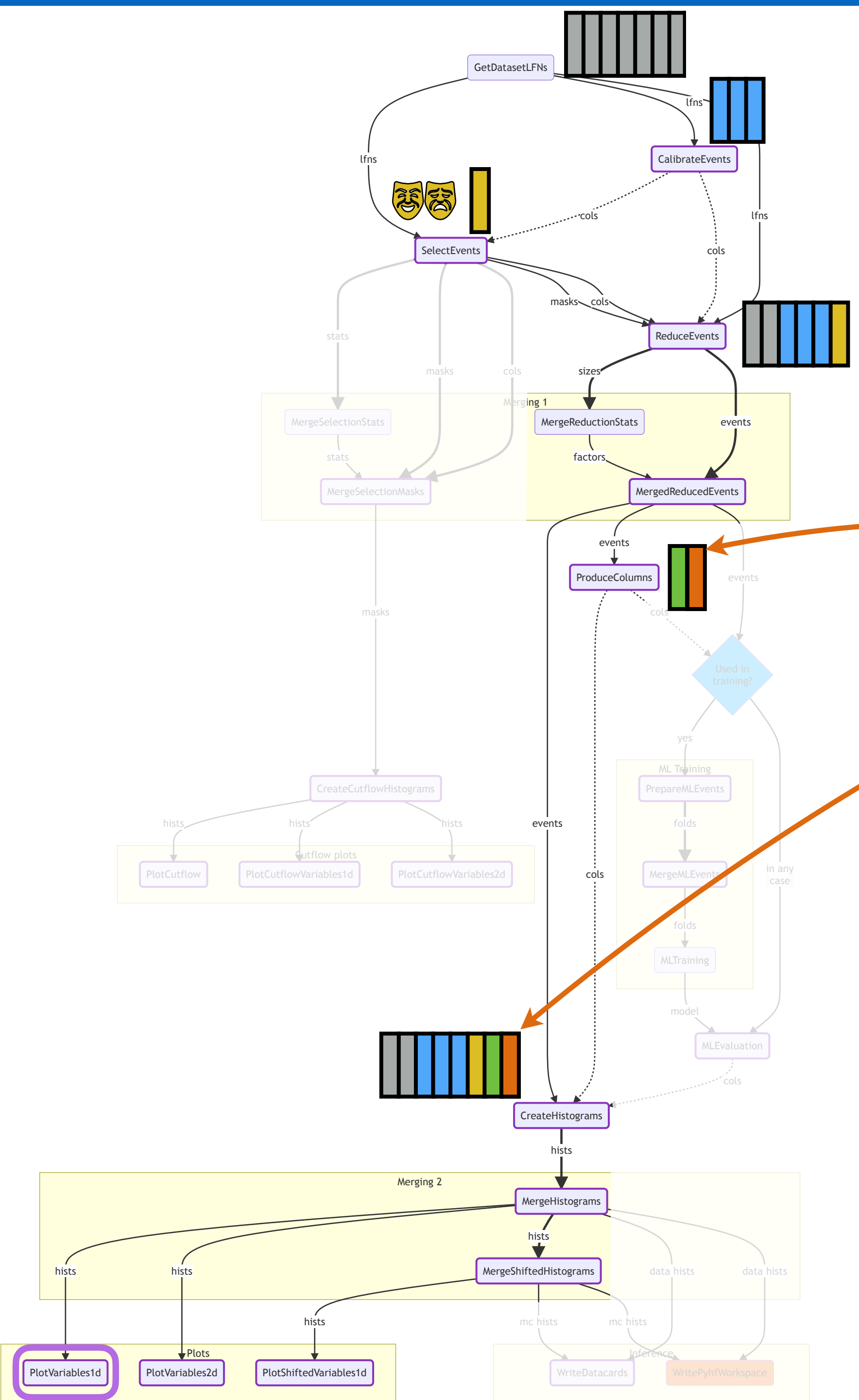




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  --datasets hh_bbtatau \
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  --selector full \
  --producers all_weights \
  --variables jet1_pt \
  --shift nominal ← usually the default

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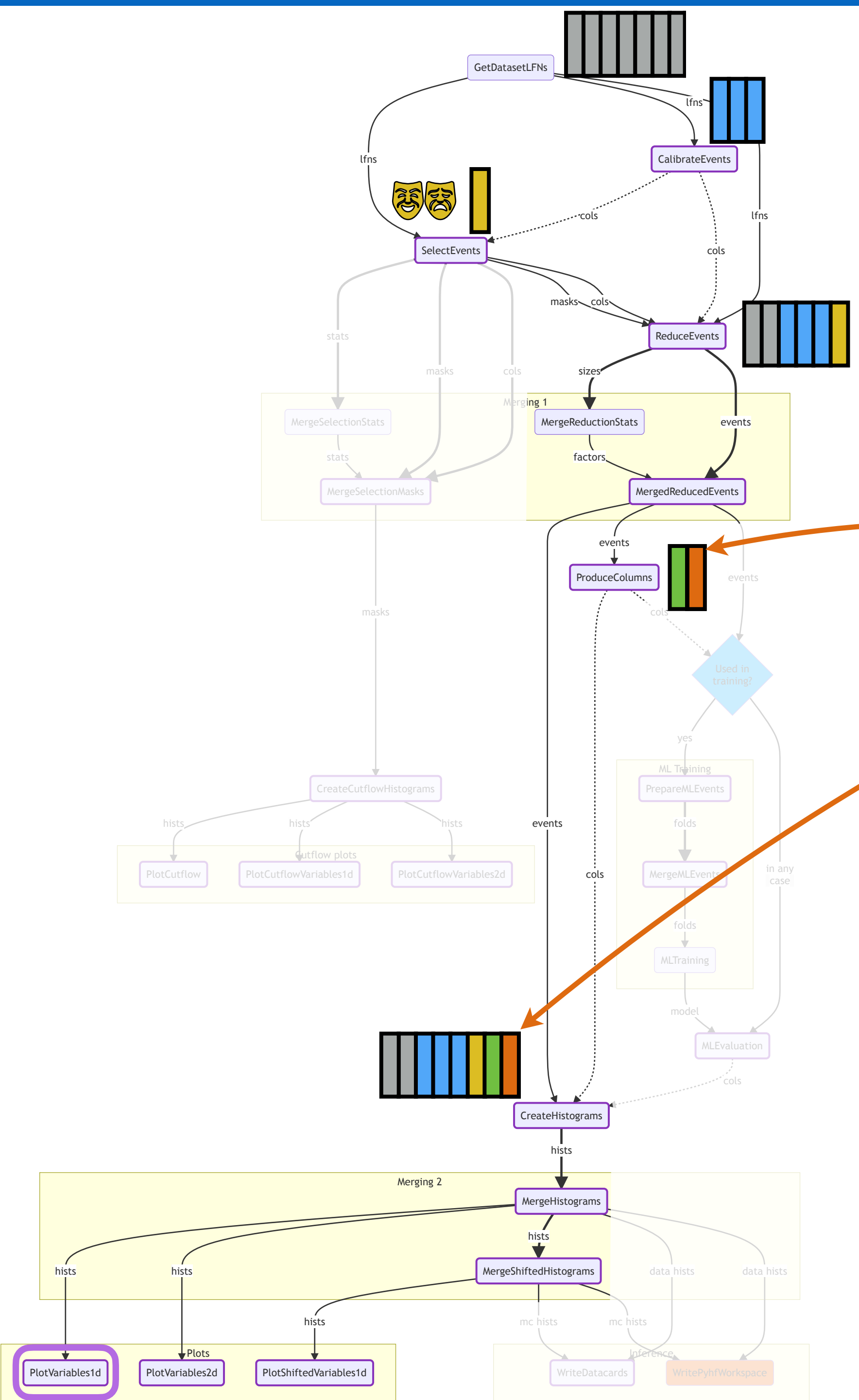



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- It's the analyzer's choice
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 - if they are already part of *normal* columns
 - ▷ Computationally *trivial*: produce right away in
 - ▷ Computationally *demanding*: produce in parallel



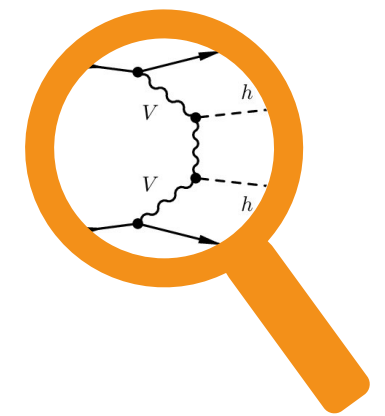
workflow engine
(originally by Spotify)



layer for HEP & scale-out
(experiment independent)



"framework"
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analysis

* soon

- Python framework for vectorized, columnar HEP analysis with nano-like inputs

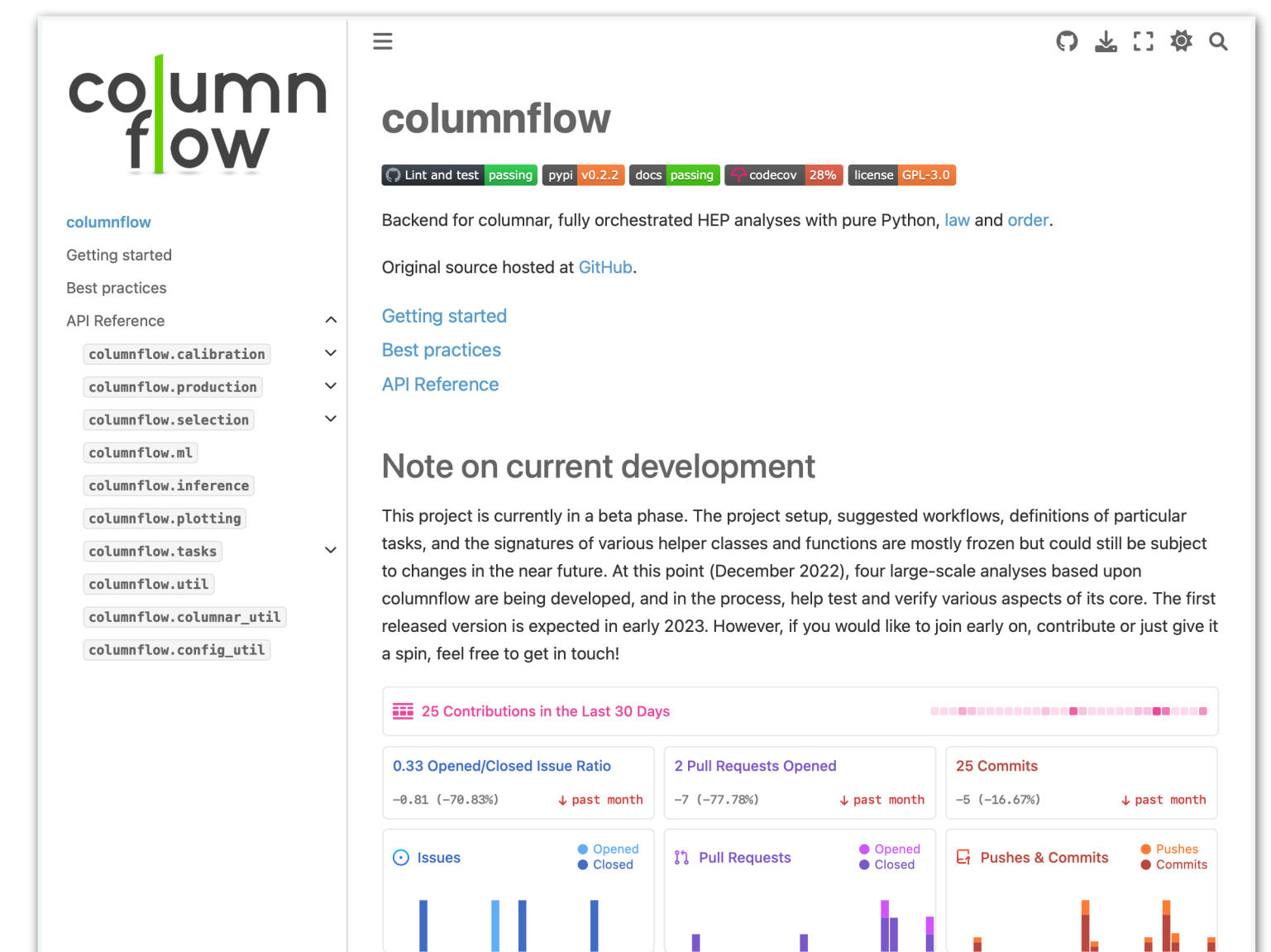
- Mostly experiment agnostic core
- Fully orchestrated & automated
- Intermediate outputs
- Efficient through on-demand column production & retrieval
- Able to incorporate **any remote resource**



- Checks 15/17 "ideal workflow" items of [CMS ATTF report](#) (Sec. 4, [backup](#))

- Vast Python (HEP) community and tool landscape is key

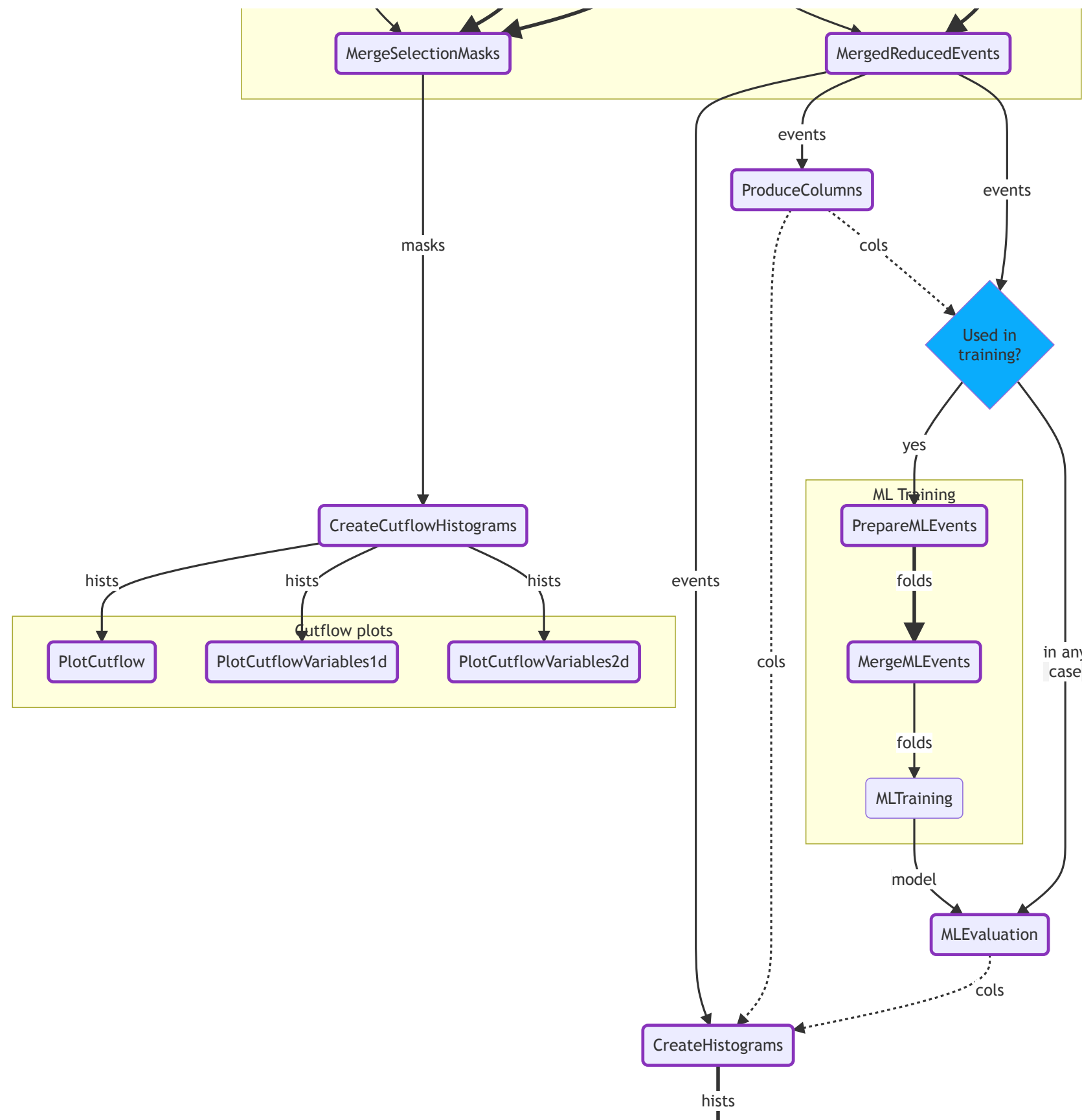
- **Currently pushing for extensive documentation release**
- Feedback still highly appreciated !
- github.com/columnflow, columnflow.rtf.d.io



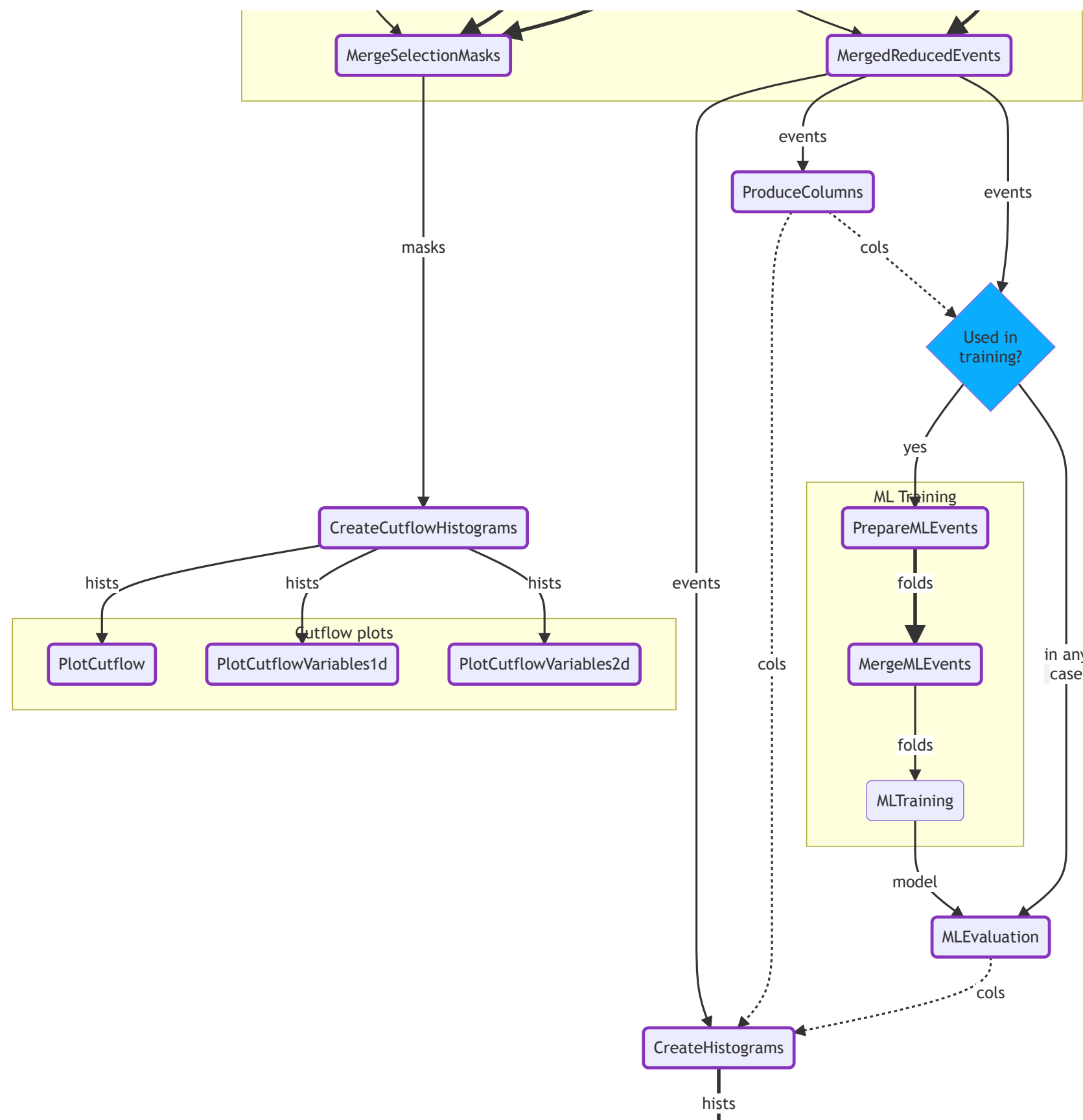
columnflow technicalities

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`--producers my_features --variables jet*`
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@producer(
  uses={"Jet.pt", "Jet.phi"},
  produces={"Jet.px", "Jet.py"},
)
def my_features(self: Producer, events: ak.Array, **kwargs) -> ak.Array:
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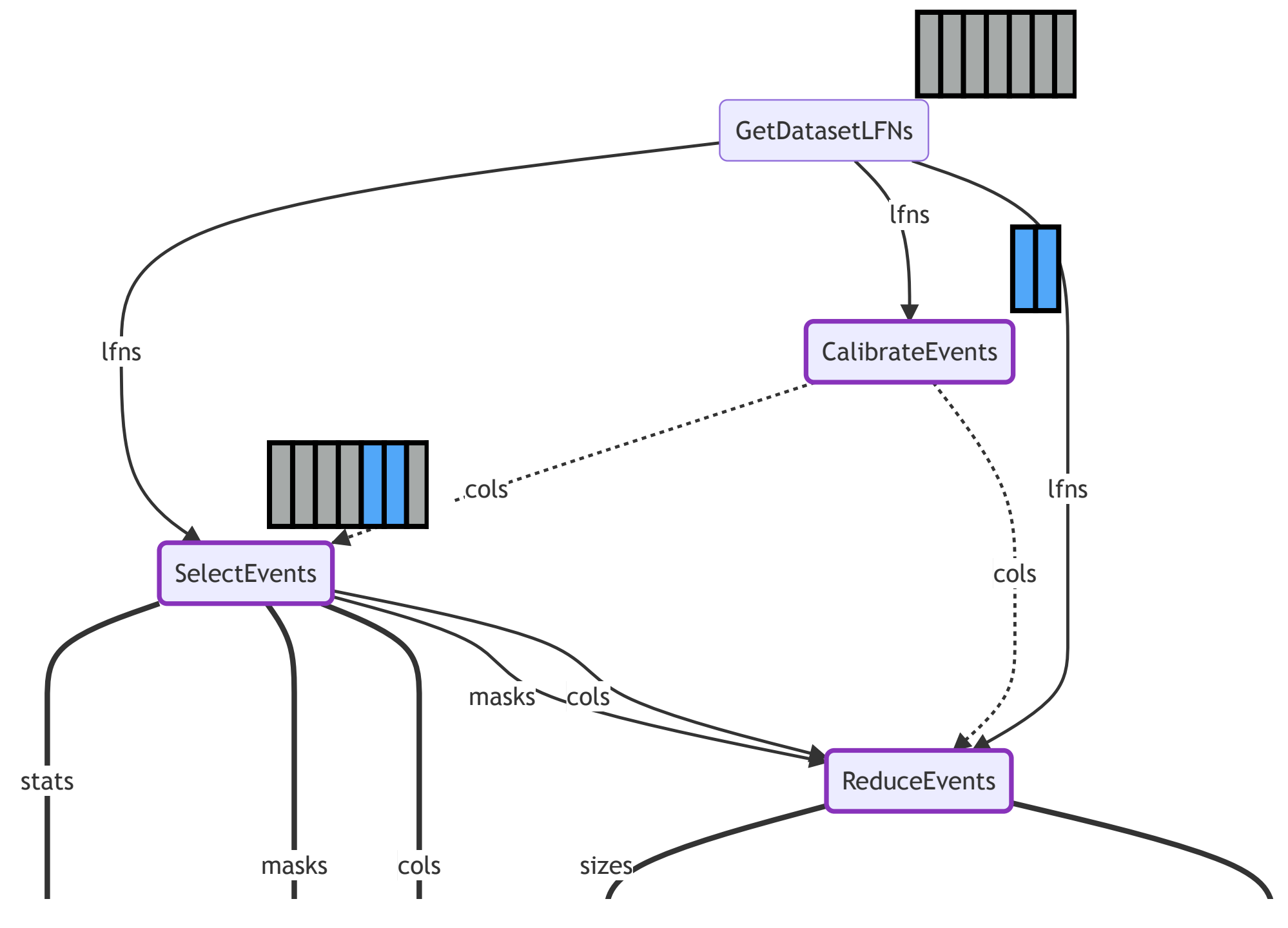
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- **Case 2: Create different histograms**

- `law run cf.CreateHistograms --dataset tt \`
`--producers my_features,event_shapes --variables jet*`
- Loads default columns from "MergeReducedEvents" **plus** columns created producers "my_features" **and** "event_shapes"

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@producer(
    uses={"..."},
    produces={"..."},
)
def event_shapes(self: Producer, events: ak.Array, **kwargs) -> ak.Array:
    events = set_ak_column_f32(events, "fox_wolfram1", ...)
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    ...
    return events
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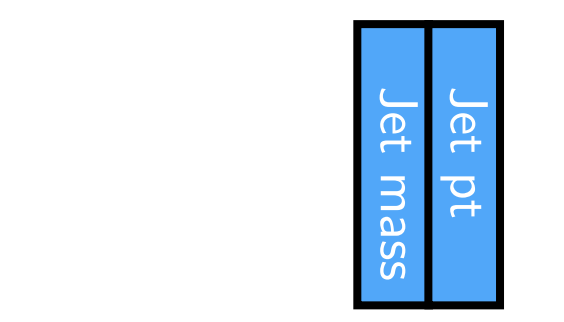
- Only processes "event_shapes", reuses columns from "my_features"



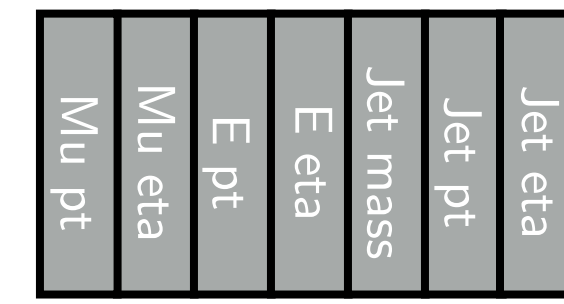
Layering of columns

e.g. in SelectEvents

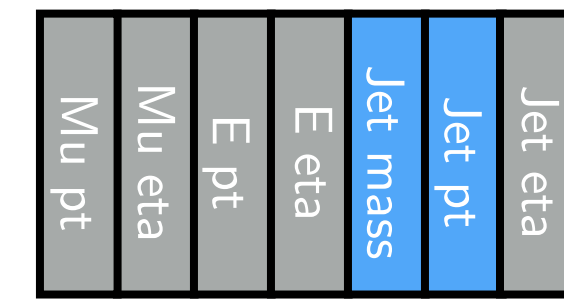
Updated columns
(by CalibrateEvents)



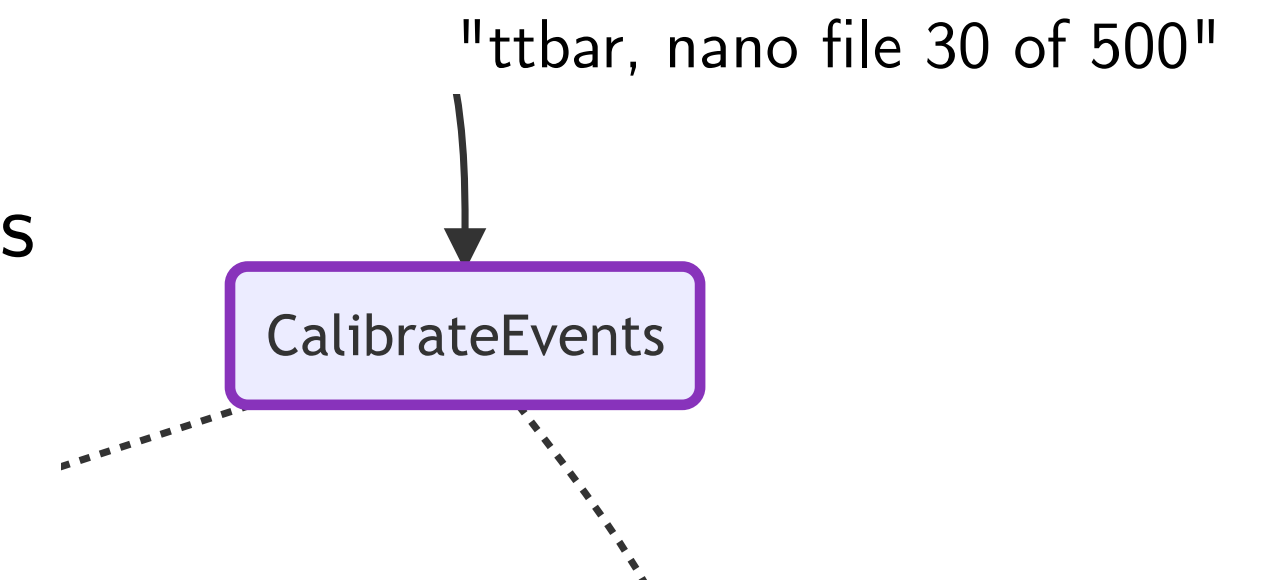
Original columns
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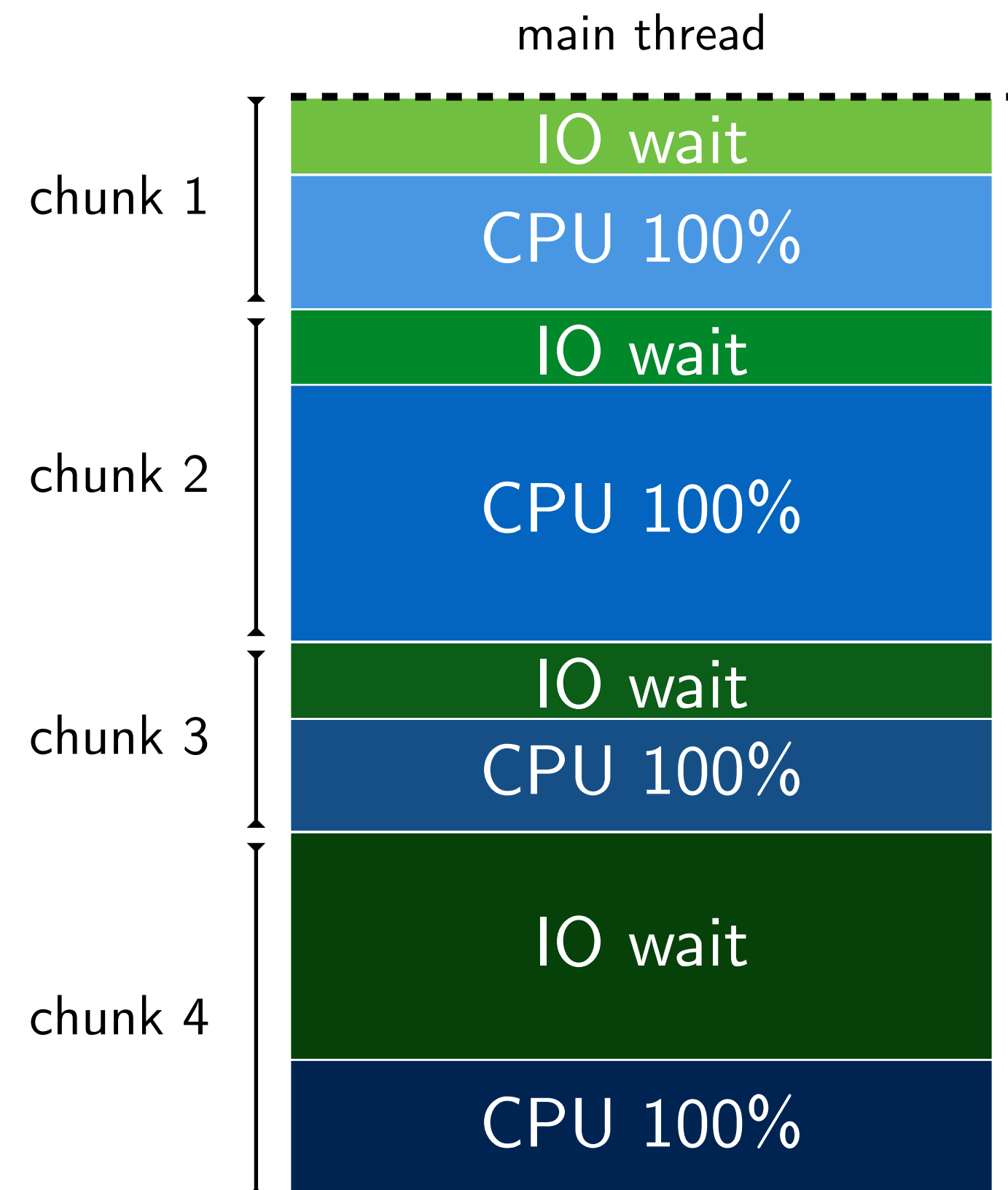
Combined columns



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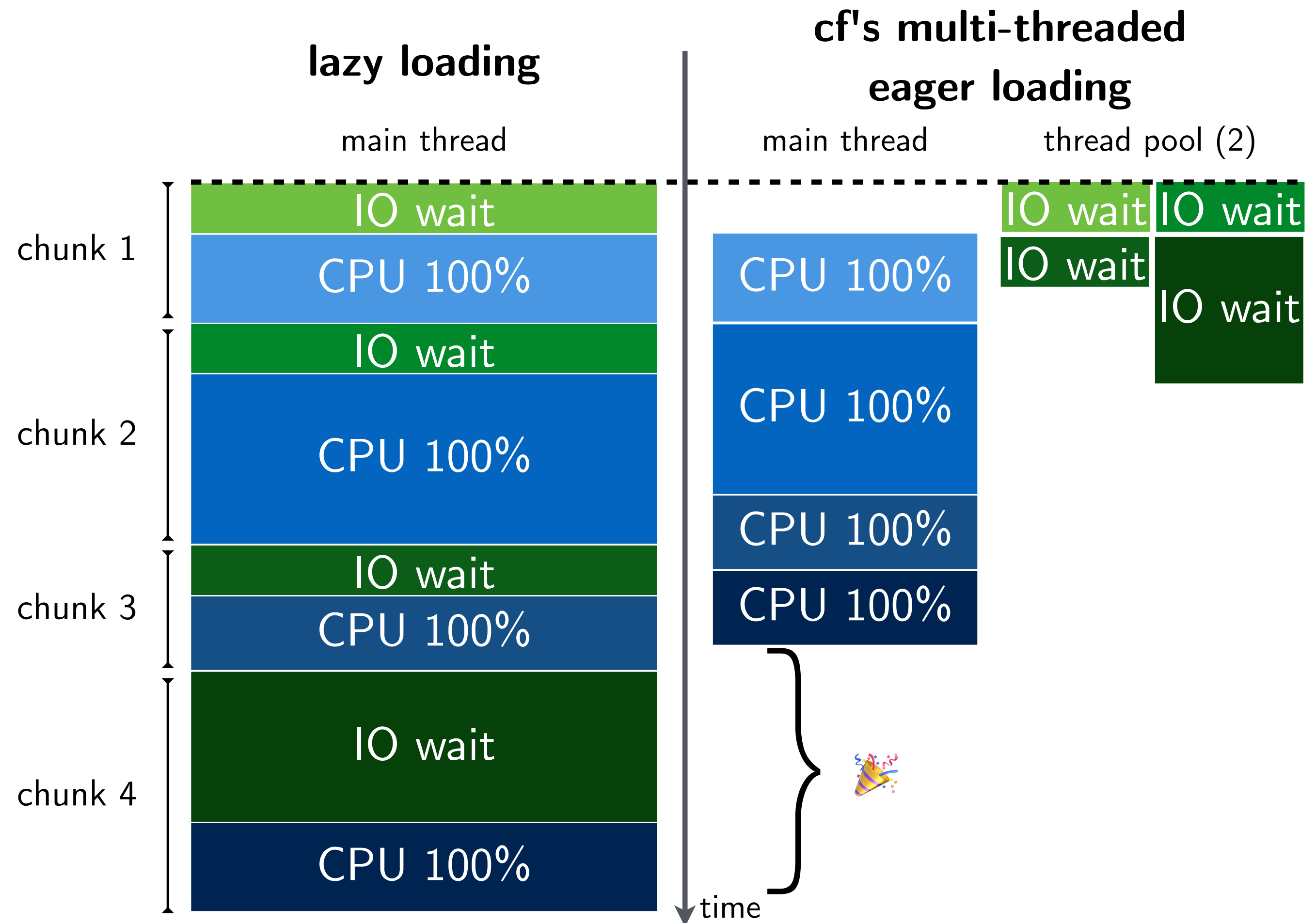
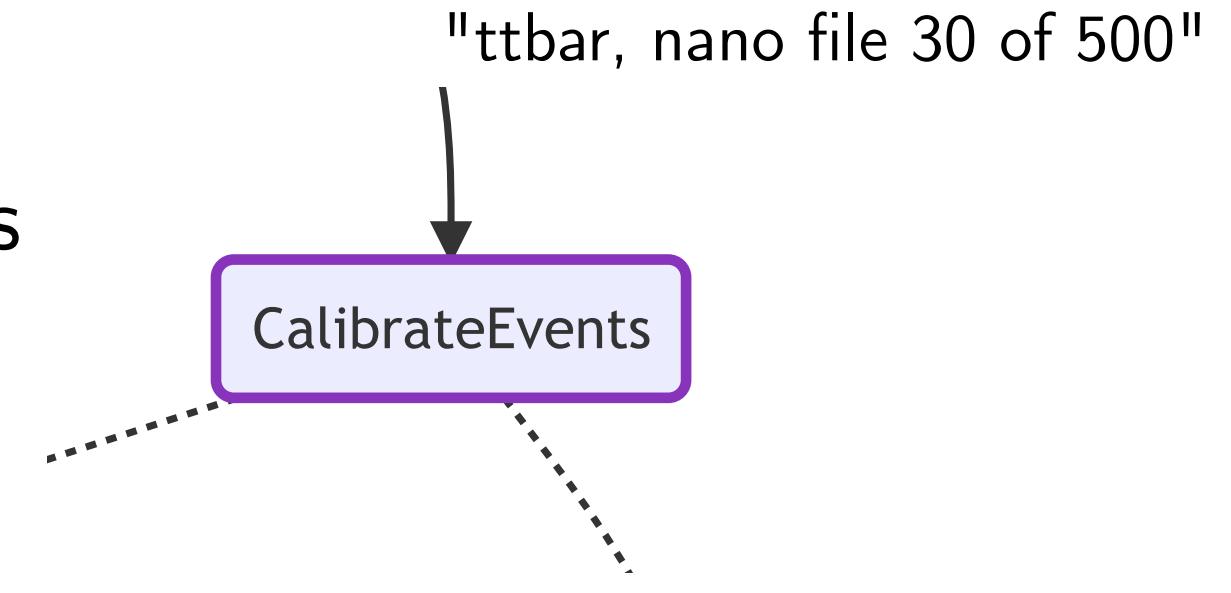


lazy loading



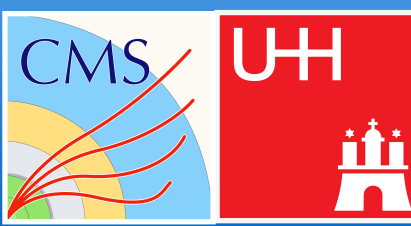


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Straight-forward integration of `dask_awkward`

- Map chunks to partitions
- `compute()` partitions in thread-pool
- *Single-node* dask graph
- Provide result to main thread

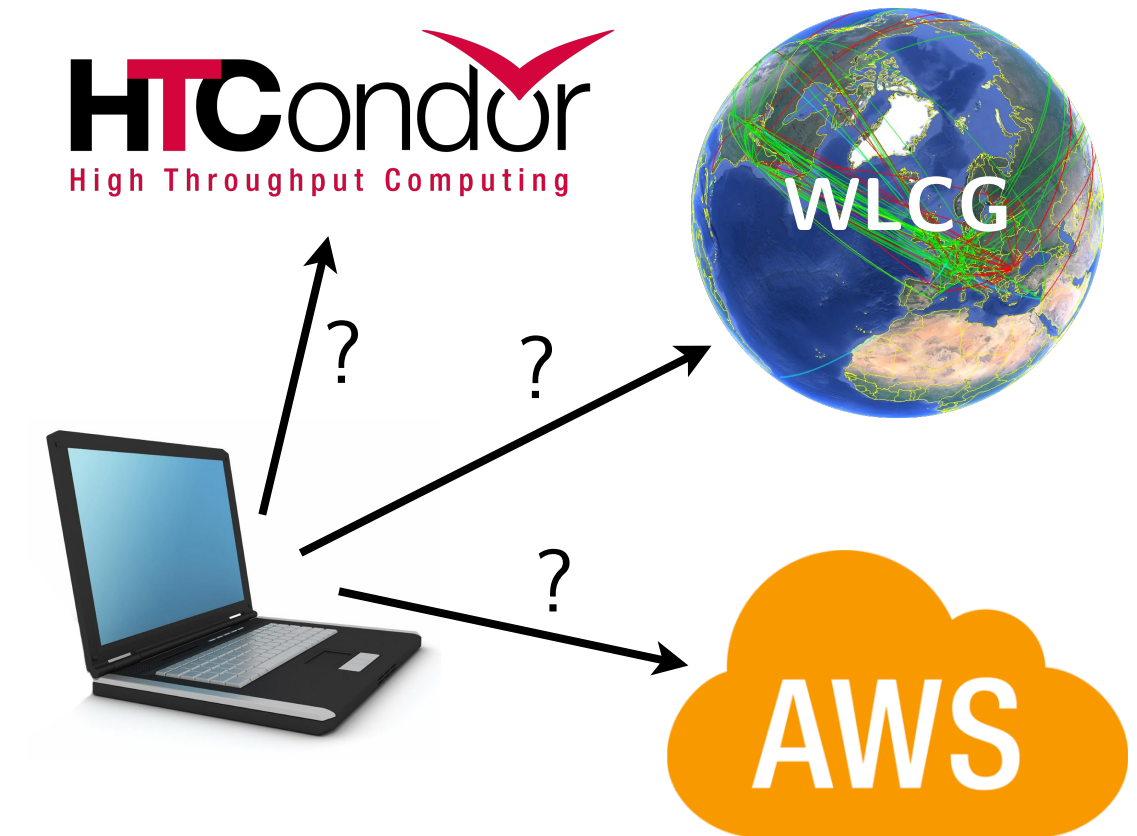


data processing
analysis description
resources

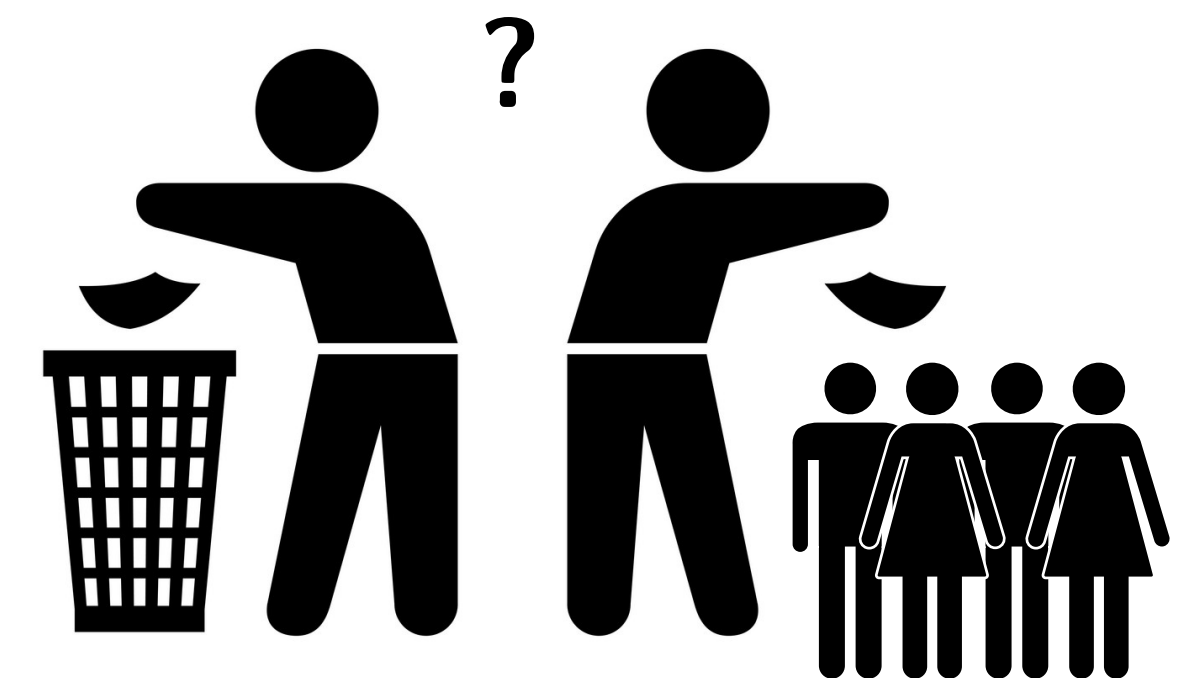
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 - F1.2** Output intermediate results on demand
 - F1.3** Identify and rerun only necessary components
 - F1.4** Composition of columns to easy reuse / sharing
 - F1.5** Reproducibility via CI/CD
 - F1.6** Version checkpointing
 - F1.7** Support for custom NANO input
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 - F2.3** Seamless handling of systematic uncertainties
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 - F2.7** Workflow configuration separated from analysis code
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 - F3.2** Easily scalable (local, multi-core, batch)

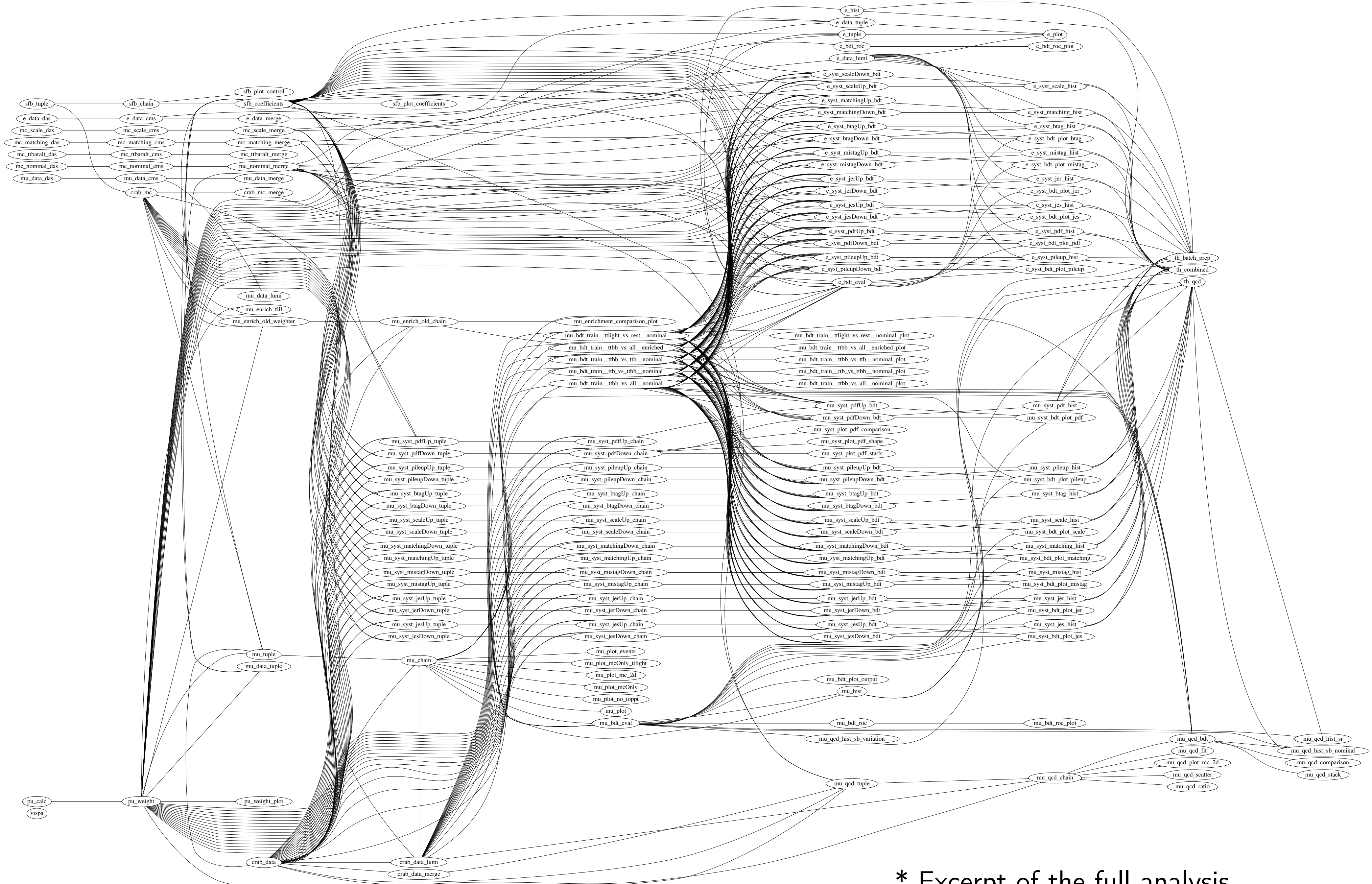
law & luigi

- **Portability:** Does the analysis depend on ...
 - where it runs?
 - where it stores data?
 - ▷ Execution/storage should **not** dictate code design!
- **Reproducibility:** When a postdoc / PhD student leaves, ...
 - can someone else run the analysis?
 - is there a loss of information? Is a new *framework* required?
 - ▷ Dependencies often **only** exist in the physicists head!
- **Preservation:** After an analysis is published ...
 - are people investing time to preserve their work?
 - can it be repeated after $O(\text{years})$?
 - ▷ Daily working environment should provide preservation features **out-of-the-box!**
- Personal experience: $\frac{2}{3}$ of "analysis" time for technicalities, $\frac{1}{3}$ left for physics
→ **Physics output doubled if it were the other way round?**

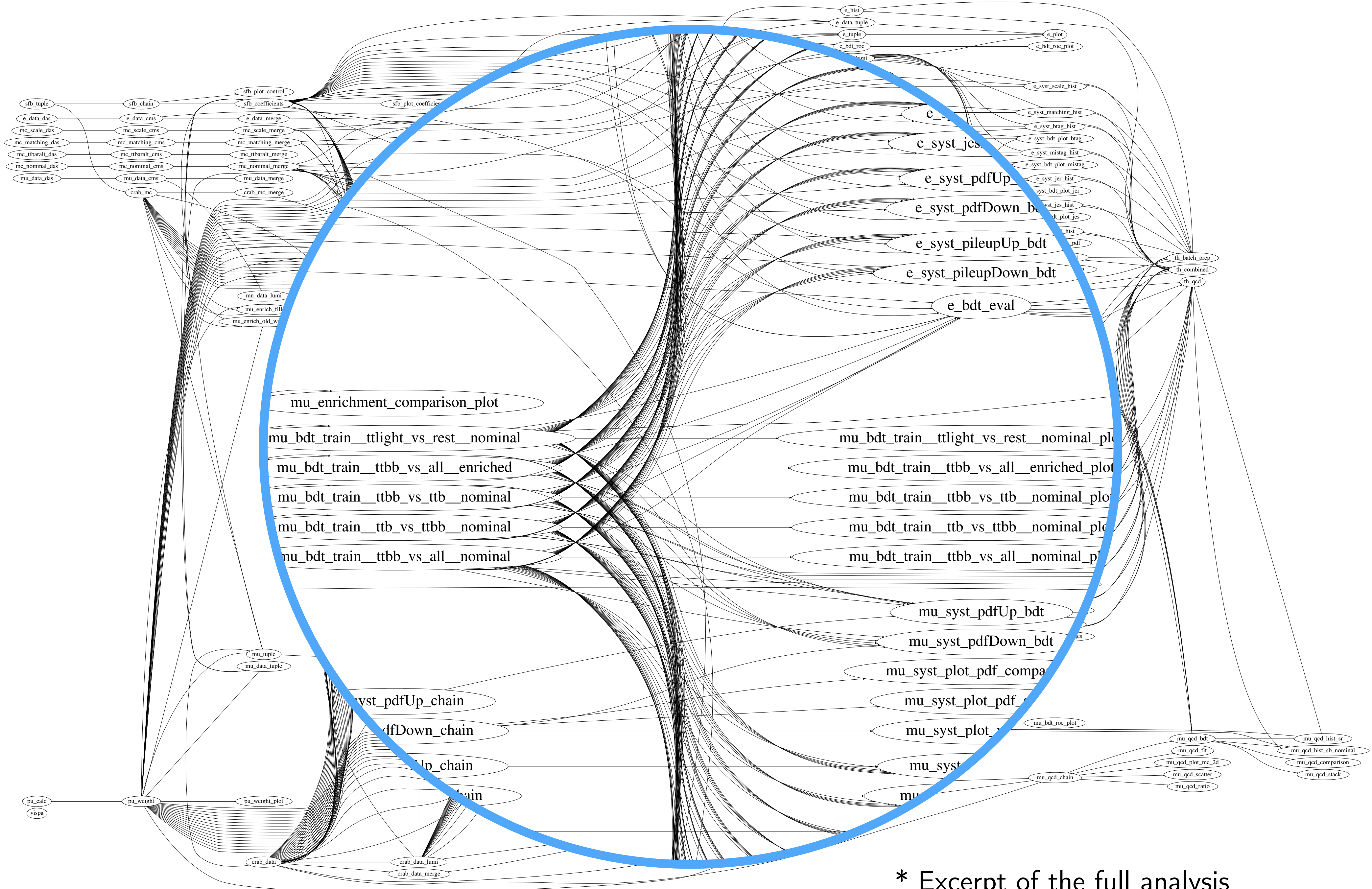


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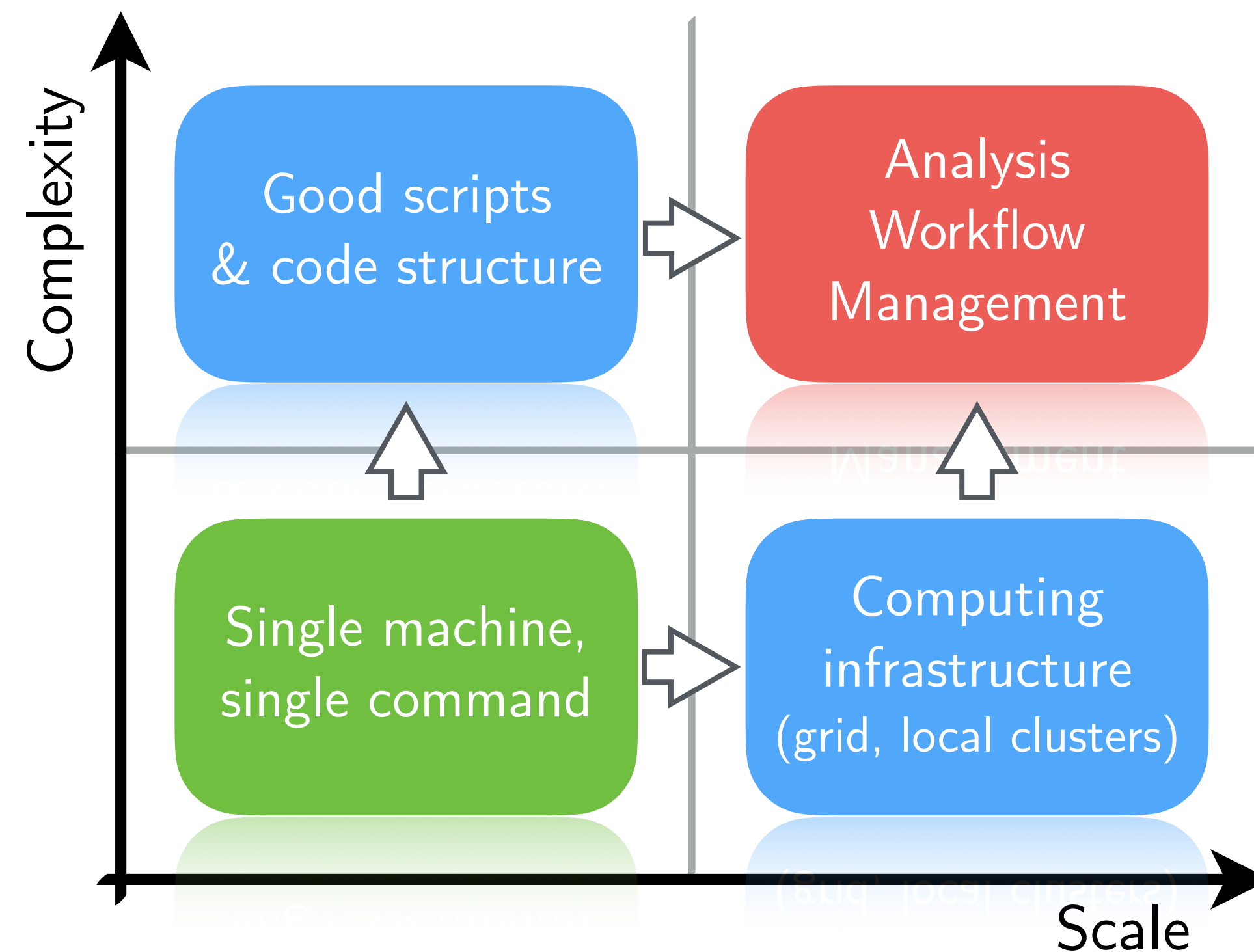




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- Most analyses are both **large and complex**
 - Structure & requirements between workloads mostly undocumented
 - Manual execution & steering of jobs, bookkeeping of data across SEs, data revisions, ...
→ Error-prone & time-consuming



- In the following
 - Approach **complexity** with 
 - Enabling **large-scale** with 



Tailored systems

- Structure “iterative”, a-priori unknown
- Dynamic workflows, fast R&D cycles
- DAG with arbitrary dependencies
- Incorporate *any* existing infrastructure
- Use custom software, everywhere

Wishlist for end-user analyses

- Structure known in advance
- Workflows static & recurring
- One-dimensional design
- Special production infrastructure
- Homogeneous software requirements

→ Requirements for HEP analyses mostly orthogonal

- Python package for building complex pipelines
- Development started at Spotify, now open-source and community-drive

github.com/spotify/luigi

Watch

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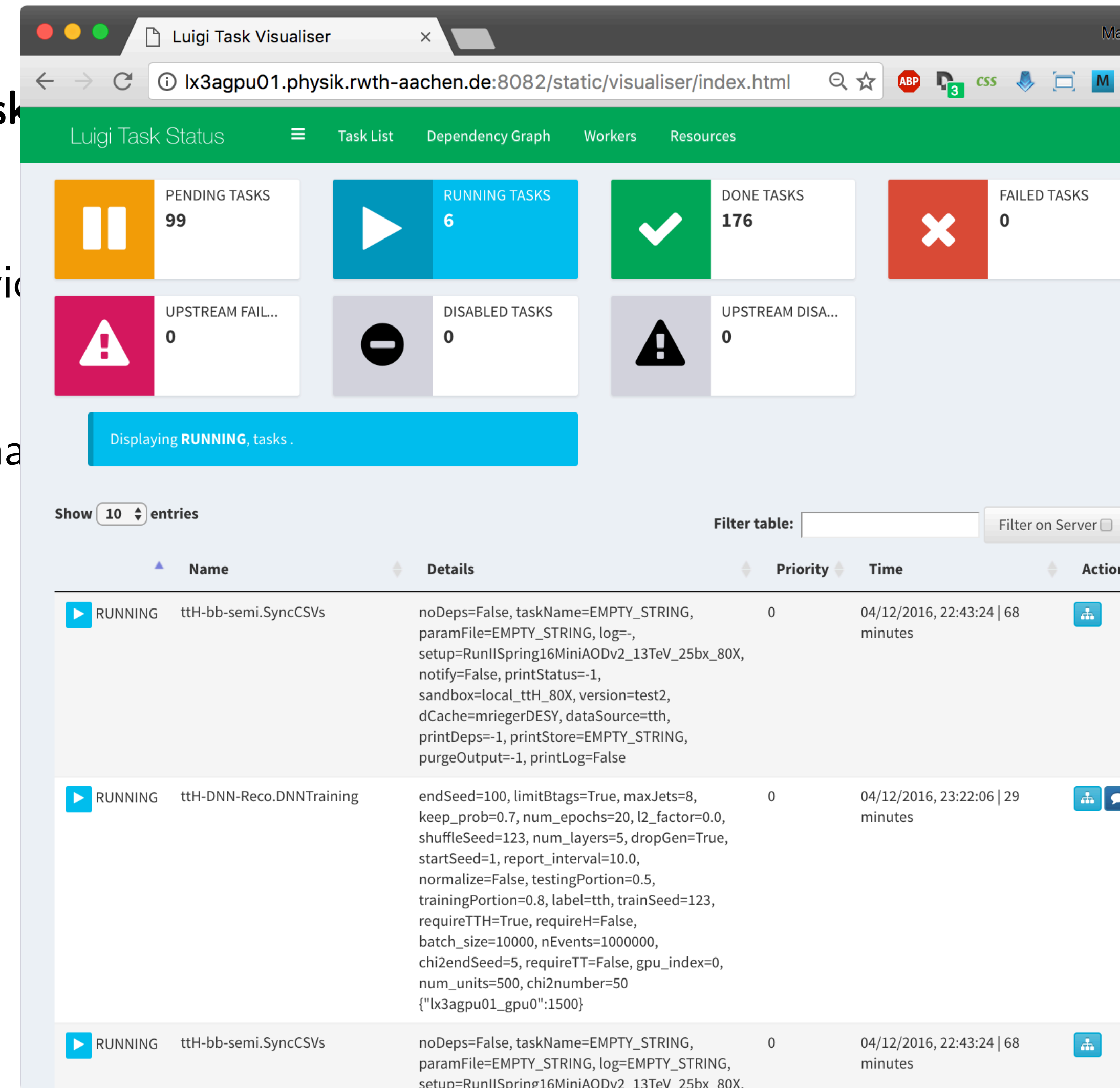
15.2k

Fork

2.3k

1. Workloads defined as **Task** classes that can **require** other **Task**
2. Tasks produce output **Targets**
3. **Parameters** customize tasks & control runtime behavior

- Web UI with two-way messaging (task → UI, UI → task), automatic error handling, command line interface, ...



The screenshot shows the Luigi Task Visualiser web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Luigi Task Status', 'Task List', 'Dependency Graph', 'Workers', and 'Resources'. The main dashboard displays several status cards: PENDING TASKS (99), RUNNING TASKS (6), DONE TASKS (176), FAILED TASKS (0), UPSTREAM FAIL... (0), DISABLED TASKS (0), and UPSTREAM DISA... (0). A blue bar indicates 'Displaying RUNNING, tasks .'. Below this, a table shows task details:

Name	Details	Priority	Time	Action
▶ RUNNING tth-bb-semi.SyncCSVs	noDeps=False, taskName=EMPTY_STRING, paramFile=EMPTY_STRING, log=-, setup=RunIISpring16MiniAODv2_13TeV_25bx_80X, notify=False, printStatus=-1, sandbox=local_tth_80X, version=test2, dCache=mriegerDESY, dataSource=tth, printDeps=-1, printStore=EMPTY_STRING, purgeOutput=-1, printLog=False	0	04/12/2016, 22:43:24 68 minutes	ⓘ
▶ RUNNING tth-DNN-Reco.DNNTraining	endSeed=100, limitBtags=True, maxJets=8, keep_prob=0.7, num_epochs=20, l2_factor=0.0, shuffleSeed=123, num_layers=5, dropGen=True, startSeed=1, report_interval=10.0, normalize=False, testingPortion=0.5, trainingPortion=0.8, label=tth, trainSeed=123, requireTTH=True, requireH=False, batch_size=10000, nEvents=1000000, chi2endSeed=5, requireTT=False, gpu_index=0, num_units=500, chi2number=50, {"lx3agpu01_gpu0":1500}	0	04/12/2016, 23:22:06 29 minutes	ⓘ
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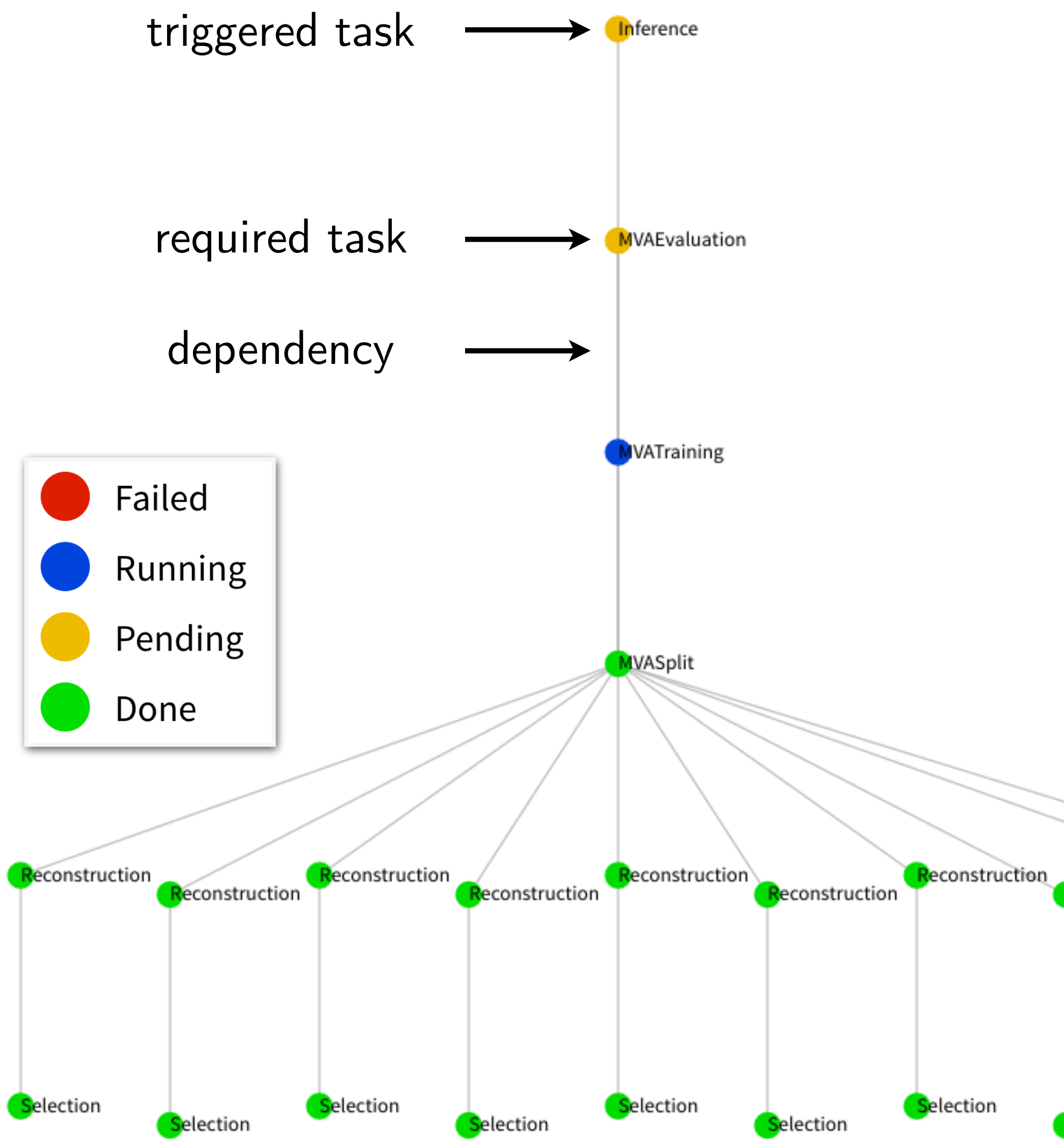


- Luigi's execution model is make-like

- Create dependency tree for triggered task
- Determine tasks to actually run:
 - Walk through tree (top-down)
 - For each path, stop if all output

- Only processes what is really necessary
- Scalable through simple structure
- Error handling & automatic re-scheduling

targets of a task



* in this case, the task is considered complete



```
# reco.py

import luigi

from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(luigi.Task):

    dataset = luigi.Parameter(default="ttH")

    def requires(self):
        return Selection(dataset=self.dataset)

    def output(self):
        return luigi.LocalTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
        inp = self.input() # output() of requirements
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        # perform reco on file described by "inp" and produce "outp"
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Parameter object on class-level

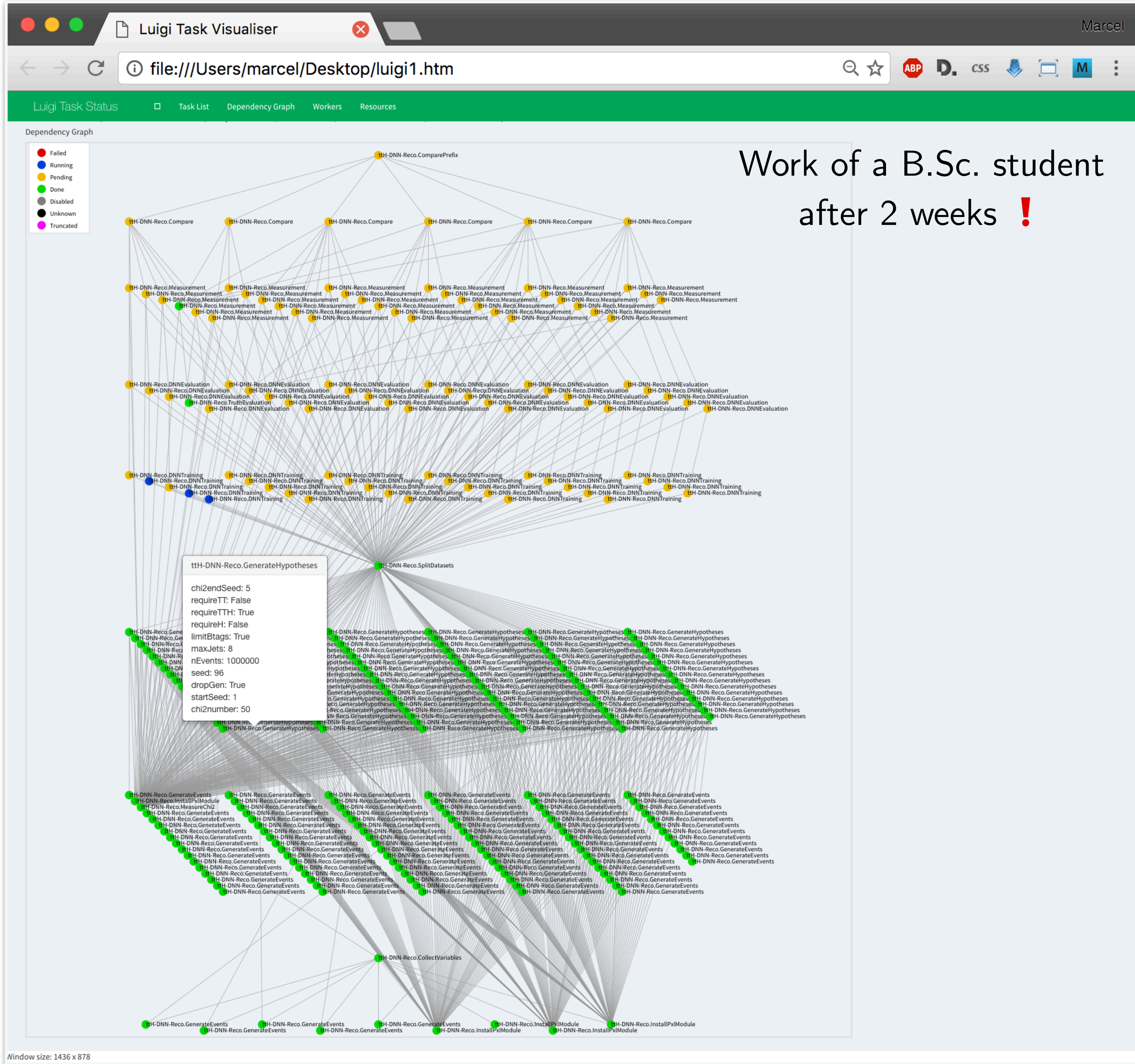
string on instance-level

luigi's local file target:

- path: string
- `exists(): bool`
- `remove()`
- `open(): fd`
- ...

Encoding parameters into
output target path

> python reco.py Reconstruction --dataset ttbar



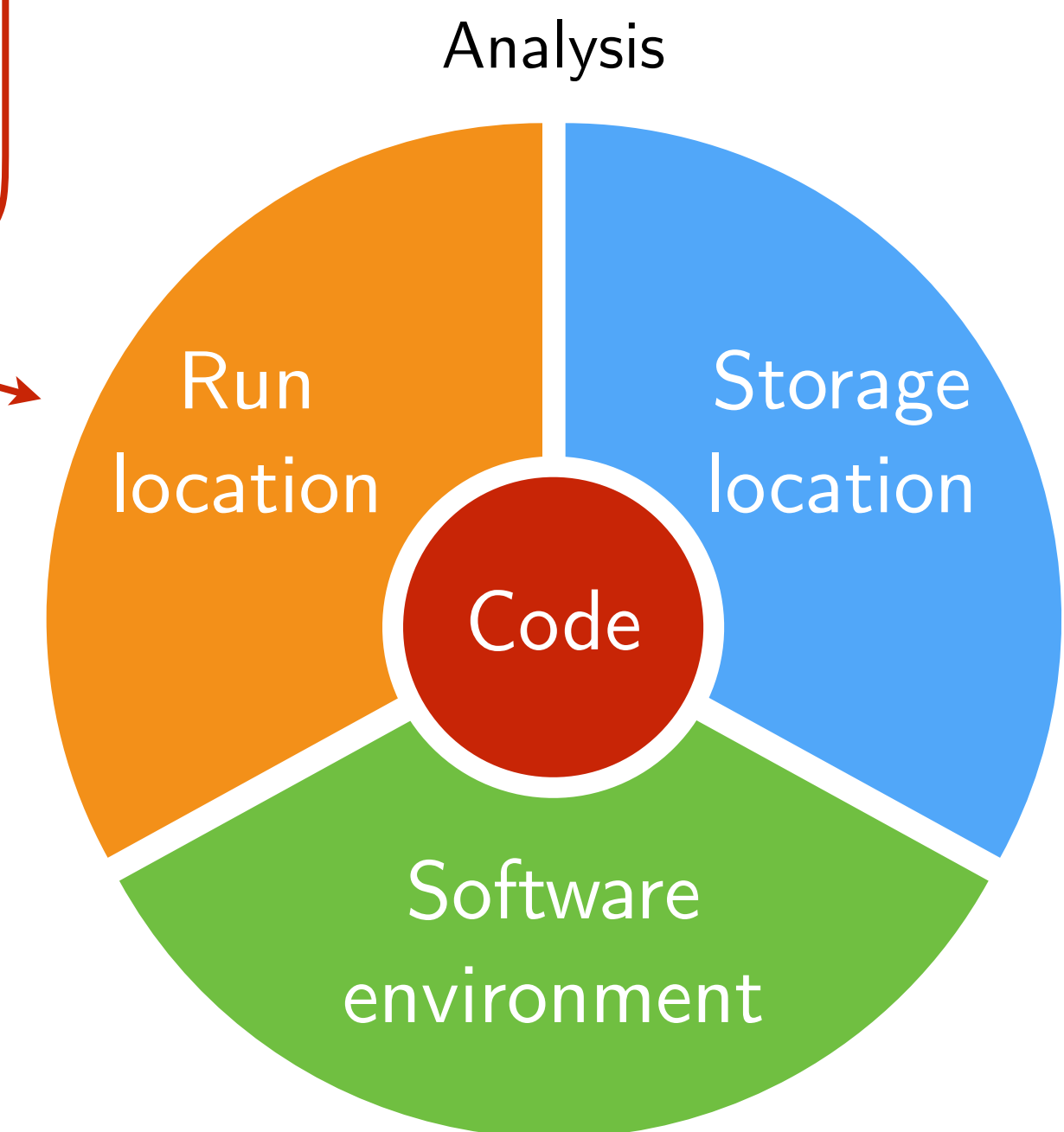
Work of a B.Sc. student after 2 weeks !

- **law**: extension **on top** of *luigi* (i.e. it does not replace *luigi*)
- Software design follows 3 primary goals:
 1. Experiment-agnostic core (in fact, not even related to physics)
 2. Scalability on HEP infrastructure (but not limited to it)

3. Decoupling of **run locations**, **storage locations** & **software environments**

- ▷ Not constrained to specific resources
- ▷ All components interchangeable

- Toolbox to follow an **analysis design pattern**
 - No constraint on language or data structures
 - Not a *framework*
- **Most used** workflow system for analyses in CMS
 - O(20) analyses, O(60-80) people
 - Central groups, e.g. HIG, TAU, BTV





1. Job submission

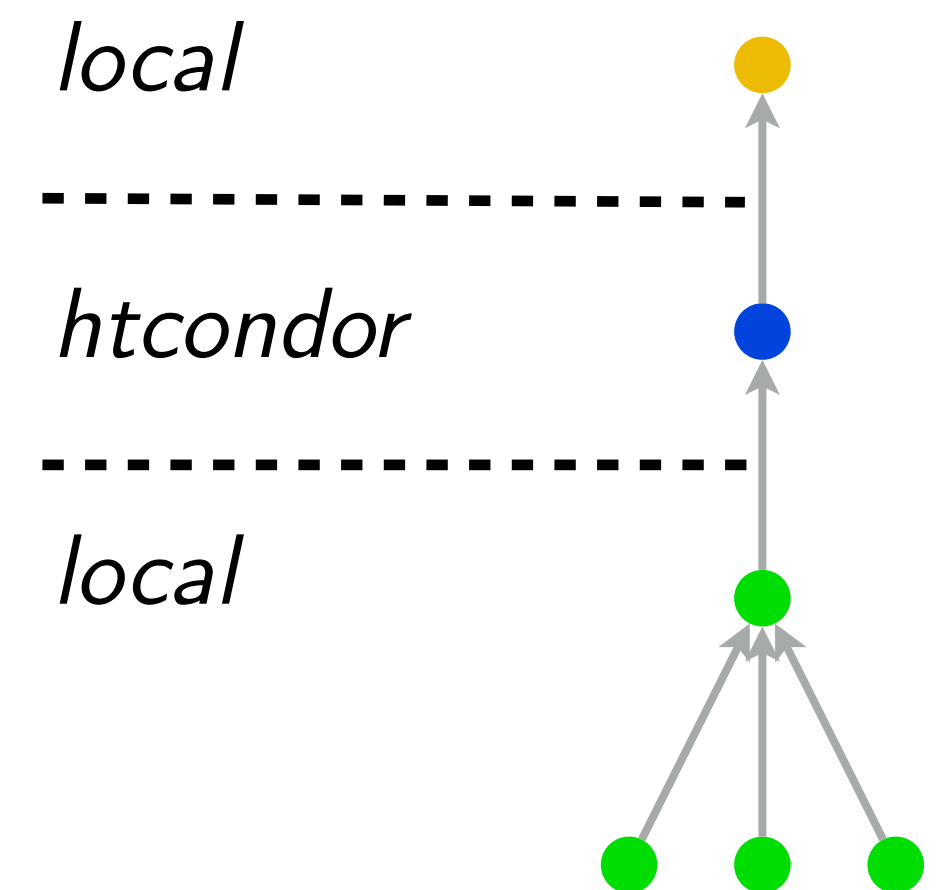
- Idea: submission built into tasks, **no need to write extra code**
- Currently supported job systems: HTCondor, LSF, gLite, ARC, Slurm, CMS-CRAB
- Mandatory features such as automatic resubmission, flexible task \leftrightarrow job matching, job files fully configurable at submission time, internal job staging when queues are saturated, ...
- From the [htcondor_at_cern](#) example:

```

lxplus129:law_test > law run CreateChars --workflow htcondor
INFO: [pid 30564] Worker Worker(host=lxplus129.cern.ch, username=mrieger) running
        CreateChars(branch=-1, start_branch=0, end_branch=26, version=v1)
going to submit 26 htcondor job(s)
submitted 1/26 job(s)
submitted 26/26 job(s)
14:35:40: all: 26, pending: 26 (+26), running: 0 (+0), finished: 0 (+0), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
...
14:37:10: all: 26, pending: 0 (+0), running: 26 (+26), finished: 0 (+0), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
14:37:40: all: 26, pending: 0 (+0), running: 10 (-16), finished: 16 (+16), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
14:38:10: all: 26, pending: 0 (+0), running: 0 (+0), finished: 26 (+10), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
INFO: [pid 30564] Worker Worker(host=lxplus129.cern.ch, username=mrieger) done!

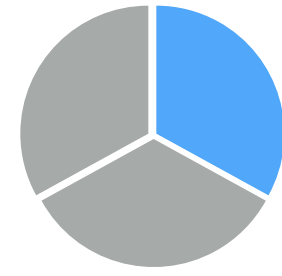
lxplus129:law_test >

```



Job status polling example from CMS HH combination

```
16:04:23: all: 3321, pending: 2821 (+2821), running: 426 (+426), finished: 74 (+74), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:04:37: all: 3321, pending: 2829 (+2829), running: 5 (+5), finished: 487 (+487), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:06:15: all: 3321, pending: 2827 (-2), running: 6 (+1), finished: 488 (+1), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:06:17: all: 3321, pending: 2813 (-8), running: 424 (-2), finished: 84 (+10), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:08:11: all: 3321, pending: 2820 (-7), running: 8 (+2), finished: 493 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:08:26: all: 3321, pending: 2810 (-3), running: 422 (-2), finished: 89 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:09:44: all: 3321, pending: 2819 (-1), running: 9 (+1), finished: 493 (+0), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:10:03: all: 3321, pending: 2808 (-2), running: 420 (-2), finished: 93 (+4), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:12:26: all: 3321, pending: 2817 (-2), running: 5 (-4), finished: 499 (+6), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:12:46: all: 3321, pending: 2802 (-6), running: 422 (+2), finished: 97 (+4), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:15:11: all: 3321, pending: 2811 (-6), running: 7 (+2), finished: 503 (+4), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:15:39: all: 3321, pending: 2796 (-6), running: 420 (-2), finished: 105 (+8), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:17:18: all: 3321, pending: 2806 (-5), running: 10 (+3), finished: 505 (+2), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:17:49: all: 3321, pending: 2792 (-4), running: 415 (-5), finished: 114 (+9), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:19:34: all: 3321, pending: 2800 (-6), running: 11 (+1), finished: 510 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:20:15: all: 3321, pending: 2788 (-4), running: 413 (-2), finished: 120 (+6), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:21:26: all: 3321, pending: 2795 (-5), running: 13 (+2), finished: 513 (+3), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:21:53: all: 3321, pending: 2784 (-4), running: 411 (-2), finished: 126 (+6), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:23:47: all: 3321, pending: 2791 (-4), running: 14 (+1), finished: 516 (+3), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:24:10: all: 3321, pending: 2779 (-5), running: 411 (+0), finished: 131 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:26:05: all: 3321, pending: 2705 (-86), running: 92 (+78), finished: 524 (+8), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:26:33: all: 3321, pending: 2683 (-96), running: 502 (+91), finished: 136 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:29:08: all: 3321, pending: 2690 (-15), running: 87 (-5), finished: 544 (+20), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:29:21: all: 3321, pending: 2647 (-36), running: 530 (+28), finished: 144 (+8), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:30:39: all: 3321, pending: 2651 (-39), running: 46 (-41), finished: 624 (+80), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:30:54: all: 3321, pending: 2621 (-26), running: 550 (+20), finished: 150 (+6), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:32:02: all: 3321, pending: 2634 (-17), running: 35 (-11), finished: 652 (+28), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:32:26: all: 3321, pending: 2608 (-13), running: 555 (+5), finished: 158 (+8), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:33:29: all: 3321, pending: 2630 (-4), running: 30 (-5), finished: 661 (+9), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:34:18: all: 3321, pending: 2597 (-11), running: 561 (+6), finished: 163 (+5), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:35:16: all: 3321, pending: 2621 (-9), running: 26 (-4), finished: 674 (+13), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:36:06: all: 3321, pending: 2586 (-11), running: 560 (-1), finished: 175 (+12), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:37:39: all: 3321, pending: 2612 (-9), running: 23 (-3), finished: 686 (+12), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:39:19: all: 3321, pending: 2577 (-9), running: 559 (-1), finished: 185 (+10), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:39:32: all: 3321, pending: 2603 (-9), running: 19 (-4), finished: 699 (+13), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:41:04: all: 3321, pending: 2566 (-11), running: 556 (-3), finished: 199 (+14), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
16:41:25: all: 3321, pending: 2593 (-10), running: 23 (+4), finished: 705 (+6), retry: 0 (+0), failed: 0 (+0)
```



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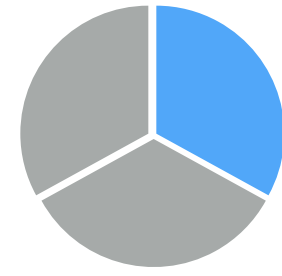
“FileSystem” configuration

```
# law.cfg

[wlcg_fs]
base: root://eosuser.cern.ch/eos/user/m/mrieger

...
```

- Base path prefixed to all paths using this “fs”
- Configurable per file operation (stat, listdir, ...)
- Protected against removal of parent directories



2. Remote targets

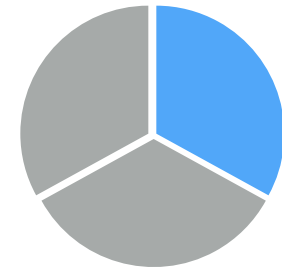
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Conveniently reading remote files

```
# read a remote json file
target = law.WLCGFileTarget("/file.json", fs="wlcg_fs")

with target.open("r") as f:
    data = json.load(f)
```



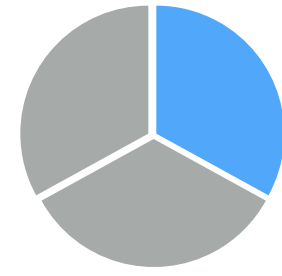
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Conveniently reading remote files

```
# read a remote json file  
target = law.WLCGFileTarget("/file.json", fs="wlcg_fs")  
  
# use convenience methods for common operations  
data = target.load(formatter="json")
```



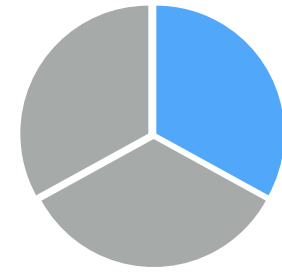
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Conveniently reading remote files

```
# same for root files with context guard  
target = law.WLCGFileTarget("/file.root", fs="wlcg_fs")  
  
with target.load(formatter="root") as tfile:  
    tfile.ls()
```



2. Remote targets

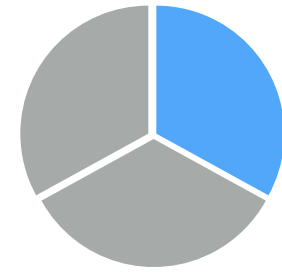
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Conveniently reading remote files

```
# multiple other "formatters" available
target = law.WLCGFileTarget("/model.pb", fs="wlcg_fs")

graph = target.load(formatter="tensorflow")
session = tf.Session(graph=graph)
```



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```
def run(self):  
    # get the input to this task, which is a *.gz file  
    # (the output of the requirements)  
    inp = self.input()  
  
    # create the correction set  
    import correctionlib  
    correction_set = correctionlib.CorrectionSet.from_string(  
        inp.load(formatter="gzip"),  
    )  
    ...
```

downloads the file
if it is remote

puts it into the local
cache for later use

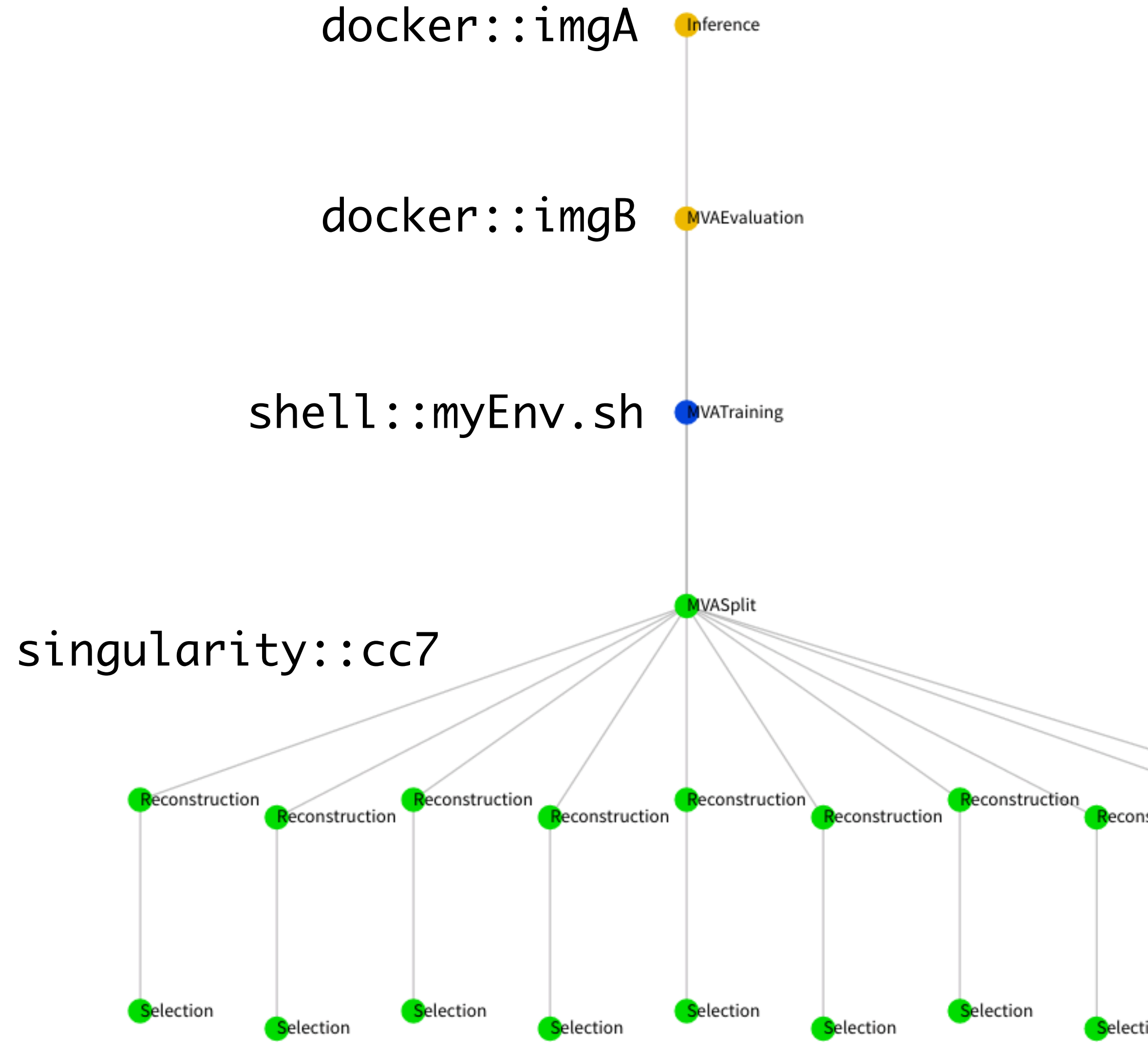
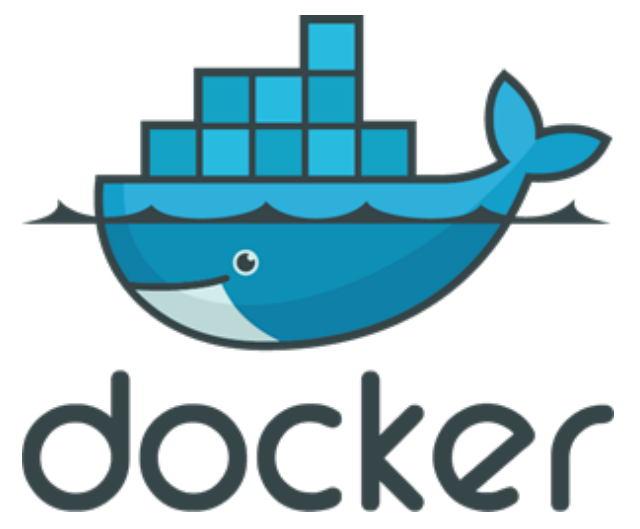
opens the file and
decompresses the content



3. Environment sandboxing



- Diverging software requirements between typical workloads is a great feature / challenge / problem
- Introduce sandboxing:
 - ▷ Run entire task in **different environment**
- Existing sandbox implementations:
 - ▷ Sub-shell with init file (e.g. for CMSSW)
 - ▷ Virtual envs
 - ▷ Docker images
 - ▷ Singularity images




```
# reco.py

import luigi

from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(luigi.Task):

    dataset = luigi.Parameter(default="ttH")

    def requires(self):
        return Selection(dataset=self.dataset)

    def output(self):
        return luigi.LocalTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
        inp = self.input() # output() of requirements
        outp = self.output()

        # perform reco on file described by "inp" and produce "outp"
        ...
```

- luigi task
- law task
- Run on HTCondor
- Store on EOS
- Run in docker

[Example](#) 

```
> python reco.py Reconstruction --dataset ttbar
```

```
# reco.py

import luigi
import law
from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(law.Task):

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    def requires(self):
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    def output(self):
        return law.LocalFileTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
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        ...
```

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[Example](#) 

```
> law run Reconstruction --dataset ttbar
```

```
# reco.py

import luigi
import law
from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(law.Task, law.HTCondorWorkflow):

    dataset = luigi.Parameter(default="ttH")

    def requires(self):
        return Selection(dataset=self.dataset)

    def output(self):
        return law.LocalFileTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
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        ...
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Example 

```
> law run Reconstruction --dataset ttbar --workflow htcondor
```

```
# reco.py

import luigi
import law
from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(law.Task, law.HTCondorWorkflow):

    dataset = luigi.Parameter(default="ttH")

    def requires(self):
        return Selection(dataset=self.dataset)

    def output(self):
        return law.WLCGFileTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
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Example 

```
> law run Reconstruction --dataset ttbar --workflow htcondor
```

```
# reco.py

import luigi
import law
from my_analysis.tasks import Selection

class Reconstruction(law.SandboxTask, law.HTCondorWorkflow):

    dataset = luigi.Parameter(default="ttH")
    sandbox = "docker::cern/cc7-base"

    def requires(self):
        return Selection(dataset=self.dataset)

    def output(self):
        return law.WLCGFileTarget(f"reco_{self.dataset}.root")

    def run(self):
        inp = self.input() # output() of requirements
        outp = self.output()

        # perform reco on file described by "inp" and produce "outp"
        ...
```

- ✓ luigi task
- ✓ law task
- ✓ Run on HTCondor
- ✓ Store on EOS
- ✓ Run in docker

Example 

```
> law run Reconstruction --dataset ttbar --workflow htcondor
```

- CLI

- > law run Reconstruction --dataset ttbar --workflow htcondor

- Full auto-completion of tasks and parameters

- Scripting

- Mix task completeness checks, job execution & input/output retrieval with custom scripts
 - Easy interface to existing tasks for prototyping

- Notebooks

```
from analysis.tasks import Selection
import awkward as ak

# create the task and ensure it's complete
task = Selection(dataset="ttH_bb", version="v3", shift="nominal")
task.law_run()

# read the selected events (a .parquet file)
events = task.output().load(formatter="awkward")

# get the number of jets per event
n_jets = ak.num(events.Jet, axis=1)
print(n_jets)
```

```
In [5]: %law run ShowFrequencies --print-status -1
```

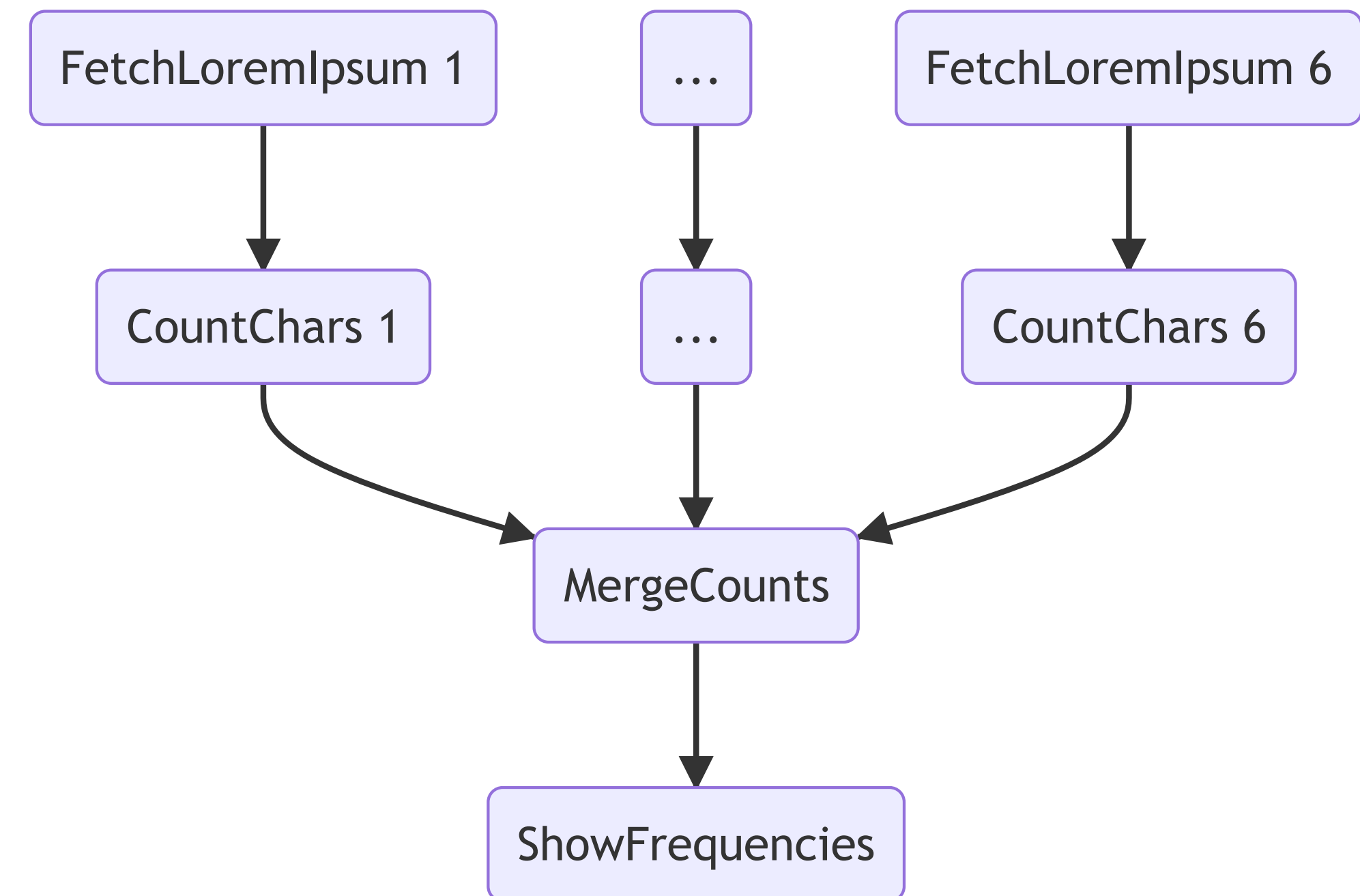
```
print task status with max_depth -1 and target_depth 0
```

```
0 > ShowFrequencies(slow=False)
├── 1 > MergeCounts(slow=False)
│   ├── LocalFileTarget(fs=local_fs, path=$DATA_PATH/chars_merged.json)
│   └── existent
├── 2 > CountChars(file_index=1, slow=False)
│   ├── LocalFileTarget(fs=local_fs, path=$DATA_PATH/chars_1.json)
│   └── existent
└── 3 > FetchLoremIpsum(file_index=1, slow=False)
    ├── LocalFileTarget(fs=local_fs, path=$DATA_PATH/loremipsum_1.txt)
    └── existent
```

 launch binder

- Print character frequencies in the "loremipsum" placeholder text (from [examples/loremipsum](#))

- ▷ Fetch 6 paragraphs as txt files from some server
- ▷ Count character frequencies and save them in json
- ▷ Merge into a single json file
- ▷ Print frequencies

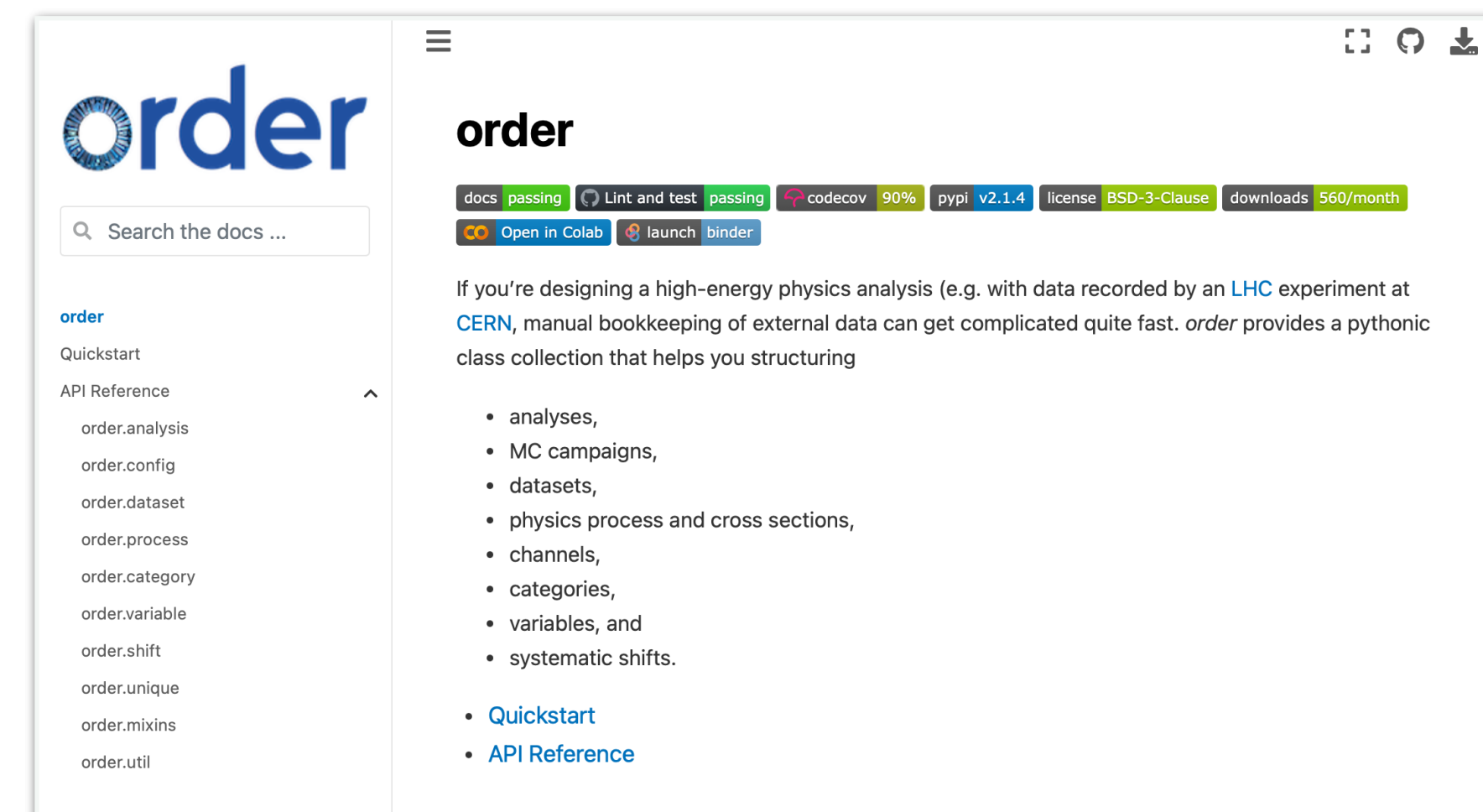


- Sowing CLI usage in the following, but  for the notebook version

order

- Pythonic class collection to help structuring CMS metadata
- Provides **programmatic access to** and **relations between various entities**

Name	Purpose
Analysis	Represents the central object of a physics analysis.
Campaign	Provides data of a well-defined range of data-taking, detector alignment, MC settings, datasets, etc.
Config	Holds analysis information related to a campaign instance (most configuration happens here!).
Dataset	Definition of a dataset, produced for / measured in a campaign.
Process	Physics process with cross sections for multiple center-of-mass energies, labels, etc.
Channel	Analysis channel, often defined by a particular decay resulting in distinct final state objects.
Category	Category definition, (optionally) within the phase-space of an analysis channel.
Variable	Generic variable description providing expression and selection statements, titles, binning, etc.
Shift	Represents a systematic shift with a name, direction and type.

[documentation](#)


The screenshot shows the documentation page for the 'order' package. It features a search bar, a navigation menu on the left, and a main content area with a list of topics and a quickstart section.


● Examples

```
In [3]: dataset_ttH.get_process("ttH").get_xsec(ecm=13)
```

```
Out[3]: 0.5071+0.0294118-0.0466532 (scale)
```

```
In [12]: cfg.get_variable("jet1_px").get_full_title(root=True)
```

```
Out[12]: 'jet1_px;Leading jet p_{x} / GeV;Entries / 20.0 GeV'
```

- Heavily used throughout **columnflow**, common objects (datasets and cross-sections) centralized in  [/uhh-cms/cmsdb](#)
- **Note**: Moving code-base to CMS-wide project via CAT group, datasets & cross-sections to be managed centrally 🎉