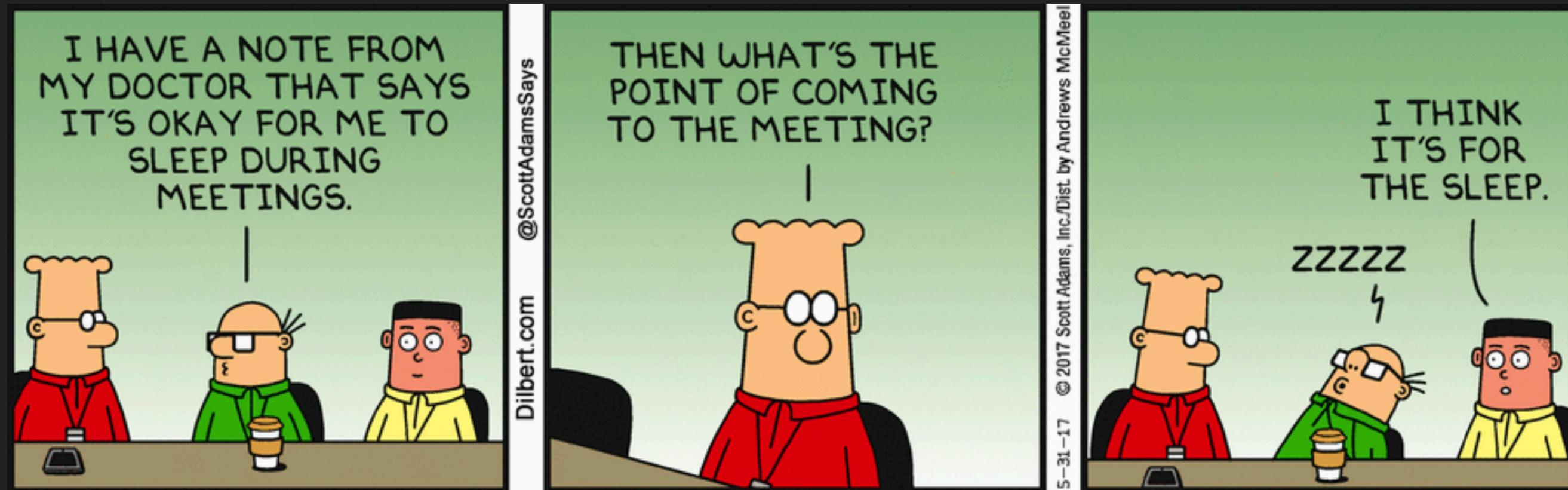


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A PLUGIN-BASED APPROACH TO DATA ANALYSIS FOR THE AMS EXPERIMENT ON THE ISS

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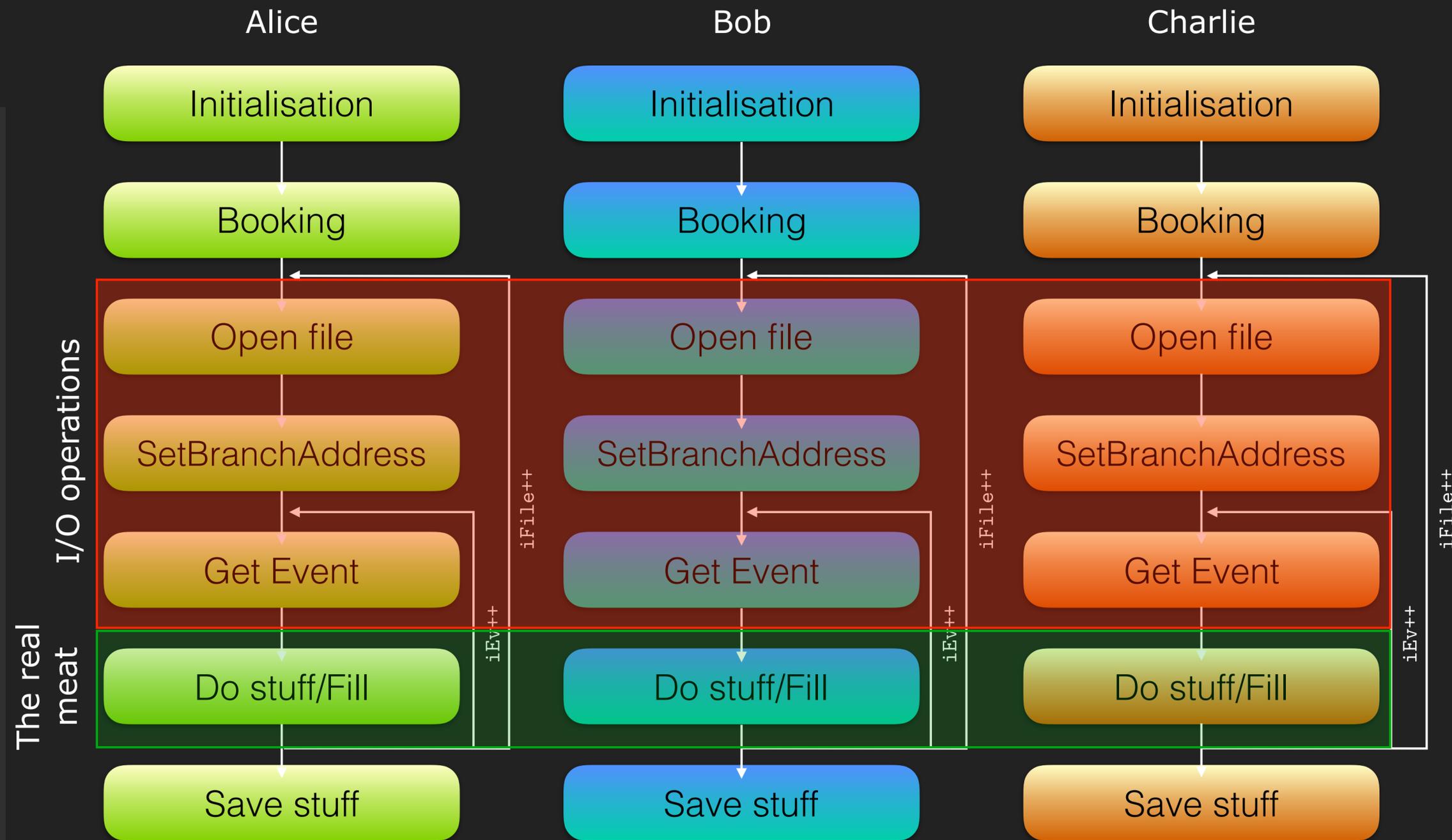
If any of what will follow sound familiar and it's boring, feel free to sleep through this talk 😄

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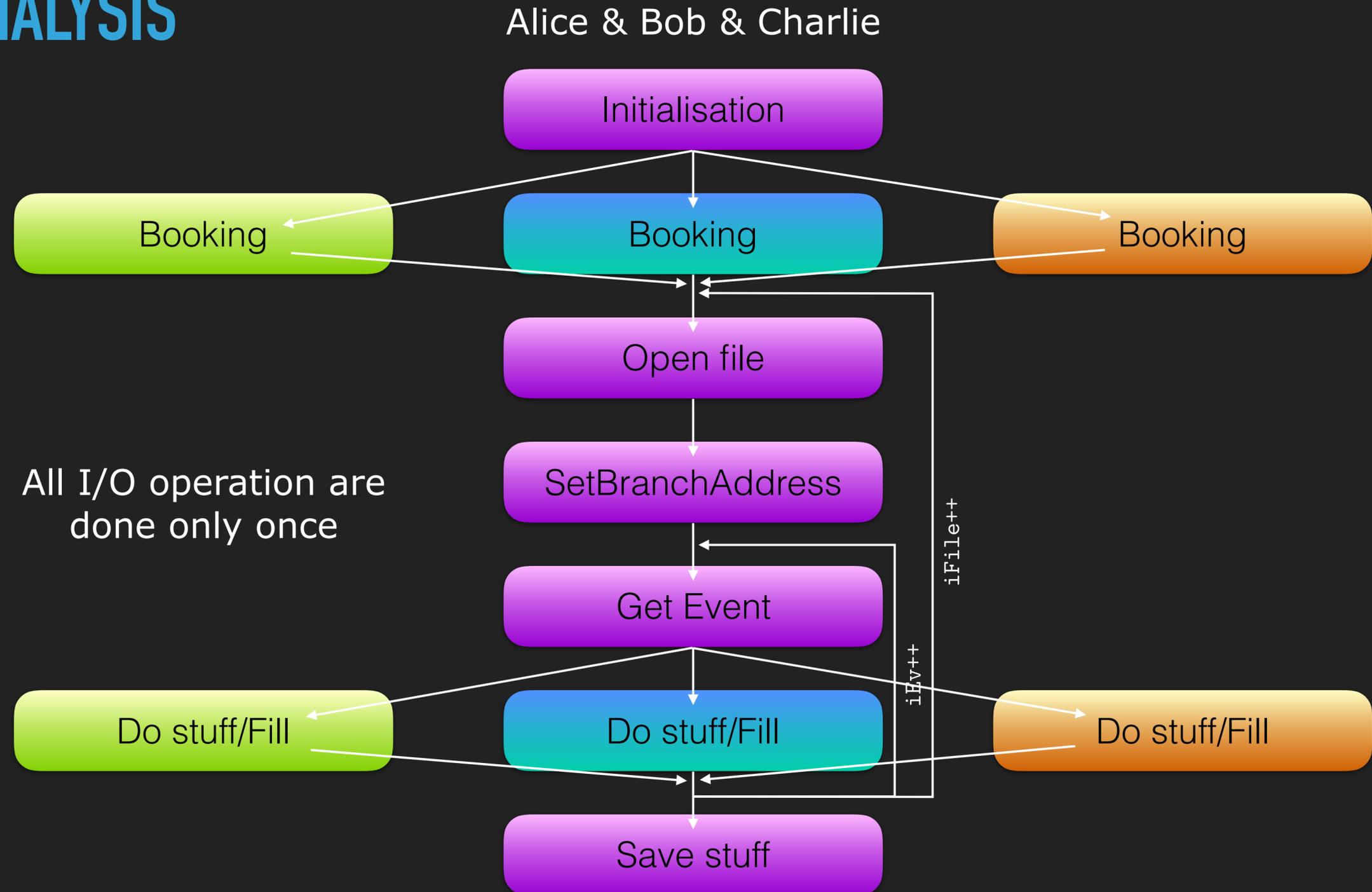


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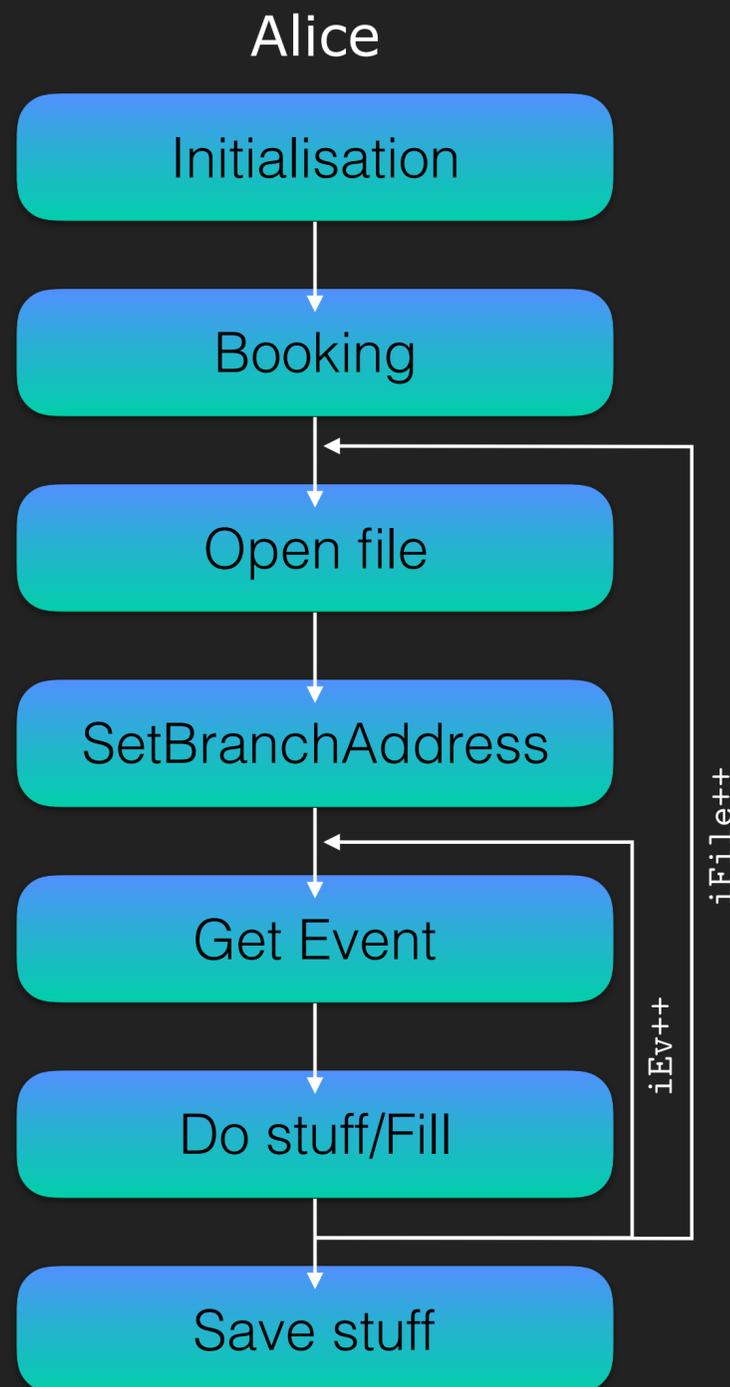
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Desired workflow:

- ▶ Shared "reduced" dataset
- ▶ Each user only writes "what he wants to do with the data"
- ▶ All common operations done only once, code specialisation only where needed
- ▶ Code is encapsulated in defined analysis stages



DON'T REINVENT THE WHEEL



The `TSelector` class in ROOT already offers this kind of modular approach to data analysis.

It is still overlooked since it is not really flexible and it adds a non-negligible code overhead to the user, and offers few benefits at the single-user/single-task level.

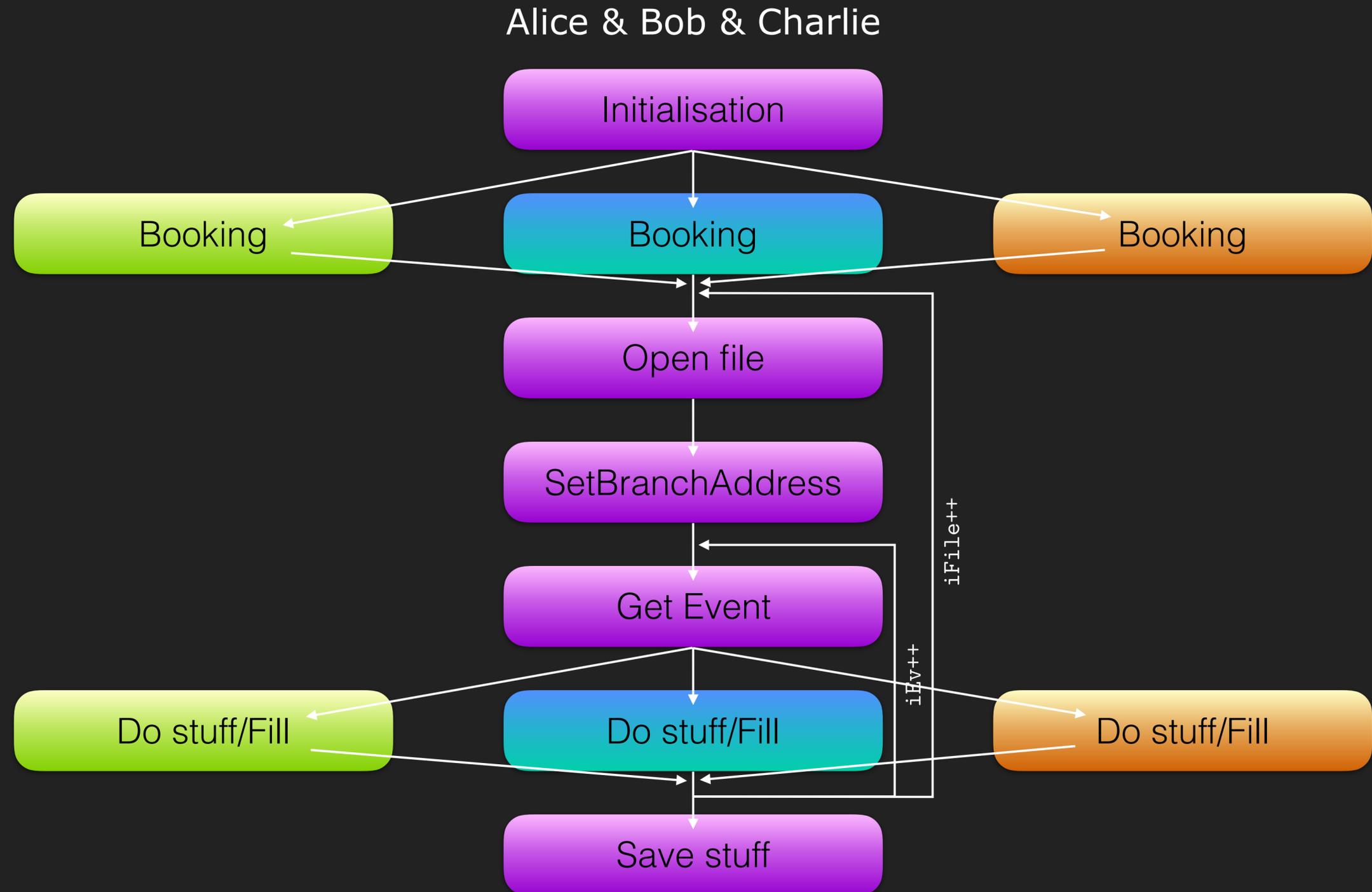
However it offers some functionality that make it a good candidate for a shared approach (either multi-user/multi-task or just single-user/multi-task) since it provides us with a clear point of insertion for user code.

CREATING A MANAGER

The `TSAnaPluginManager` class is the one performing all the tasks in purple

Users will write their analysis code in classes inheriting from a base class `TSAnaPlugin`

The manager will load all the required plugins and in turn call each plugin **booking** and **process** methods



IMPLEMENTING A PLUGIN

Both base and manager class inherit from TSelector and from our Event class

```
class TSAnaPlugin : public TSelector, public Event, public TNamed {
public:
    //...
    TSAnaPlugin(TTree * /*tree*/ = 0)
        : fChain(0), rat(1), _pManager(nullptr), _debug(false), _idir(-1){};
    virtual ~TSAnaPlugin(){};
    virtual Int_t Version() const { return 2; };
    virtual void Begin(TTree *tree);
    virtual void SlaveBegin(TTree *tree);
    virtual void Init(TTree *tree);
    virtual Bool_t Notify();
    virtual Bool_t Process(Long64_t entry);
    virtual Int_t GetEntry(Long64_t entry, Int_t getall = 0) {
        return fChain ? fChain->GetTree()->GetEntry(entry, getall) : 0;
    }
    virtual void SetOption(const char *option) { fOption = option; }
    virtual void SetObject(TObject *obj) { fObject = obj; }
    virtual void SetInputList(TList *input) { fInput = input; }
    virtual TList *GetOutputList() const { return fOutput; }
    virtual void SlaveTerminate();
    virtual void SetRatio(float rr) { rat = rr; }
    virtual void Terminate();
    virtual TTree *GetChain();
};
```

MANAGING A PLUGIN

The approach is to have each plugin compiled into a **shared library**, which is then loaded by the plugin manager and enlisted for execution.

This is to avoid having everything in a single program that won't compile if a user forgot a semicolon... 😅

No checks are performed at runtime. A possible solution to avoid bad code execution would be to have a *dry run* before running on the full dataset to validate each plugin, soon to be implemented.

```
bool TSAnaPluginManager::AddPluginFromLibrary(const char *library_path) {

    // load the plugin library
    void *pluginlib = dlopen(library_path, RTLD_LAZY);
    if (!pluginlib) {
        cerr << "Cannot load library: " << dlerror() << '\n';
        return false;
    }

    // reset errors
    char *dlsym_error = dlerror();

    // load the symbols
    create_t *create_plugin = (create_t *)dlsym(pluginlib, "create");
    dlsym_error = dlerror();
    if (dlsym_error) {
        cerr << "Cannot load symbol create: " << dlsym_error << '\n';
        return false;
    }

    _constructors.push_back(create_plugin);

    destroy_t *destroy_plugin = (destroy_t *)dlsym(pluginlib, "destroy");
    dlsym_error = dlerror();
    if (dlsym_error) {
        cerr << "Cannot load symbol destroy: " << dlsym_error << '\n';
        return false;
    }

    _destructors.push_back(destroy_plugin);

    _plugins.emplace_back(create_plugin()); // call plugin constructor

    return true;
};
```

MANAGING A PLUGIN

A plugin can be run in managed mode (if loaded from a manager) or in standalone mode (if the user wants to run his analysis by himself...)

In managed mode all the plugin data structures are pointing to the manager ones, and the manager is responsible for loading and filling the data.

```
void TSAnaPlugin::Init(TTree *tree){
    if( _pManager ){
        if ( _debug)
            printf("[TSAnaPlugin::Init] - Working in plugin mode, getting branches "
                "from plugin manager \n");

        fChain = _pManager->fChain;
        if( _pManager->SHeader ) SHeader = _pManager->SHeader;
        if( _pManager->Header ) Header = _pManager->Header;
        if( _pManager->MCHeader ) MCHeader = _pManager->MCHeader;
        if( _pManager->Trd ) Trd = _pManager->Trd;
        if( _pManager->Tof ) Tof = _pManager->Tof;
        if( _pManager->Tracker ) Tracker = _pManager->Tracker;
        if( _pManager->Rich ) Rich = _pManager->Rich;
        if( _pManager->Ecal ) Ecal = _pManager->Ecal;
        if( _pManager->Anti ) Anti = _pManager->Anti;
        if( _pManager->SA ) SA = _pManager->SA;
    } else {
        if ( _debug)
            printf("[TSAnaPlugin::Init] - Working in standalone mode, getting "
                "branches from file\n");

        if( !tree ) return;
        fChain = tree;
        if( fChain->GetBranch("SHeader") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "SHeader", &(SHeader) );
        if( fChain->GetBranch("Header") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "Header", &(Header) );
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        if( fChain->GetBranch("Tracker") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "Tracker", &(Tracker) );
        if( fChain->GetBranch("Rich") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "Rich", &(Rich) );
        if( fChain->GetBranch("Ecal") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "Ecal", &(Ecal) );
        if( fChain->GetBranch("Anti") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "Anti", &(Anti) );
        if( fChain->GetBranch("SA") ) fChain->SetBranchAddress( "SA", &(SA) );
        rti.clear();
    }
}
```

MANAGING A PLUGIN

The manager then loads the data for current event and then calls each plugin `Process()` before moving to the next event.

A set of stopwatches measures runtime of a few key calls, especially:

- ▶ `TSAnaPluginManager::GetEntry`
- ▶ `TSAnaPlugin::Process`

```

Bool_t TAnaPluginManager::Process(Long64_t entry) {
    _bench->Start("PluginManager::GetEntry");
    GetEntry(entry);
    _bench->Stop("PluginManager::GetEntry");

    rti_info = nullptr;
    unsigned int utime = SHeader->utime;
    if (rti.find(utime) != rti.end()) {
        rti_info = rti[utime];
    } else {
        if (_debug)
            printf("[TSAnaPluginManager::Process] - No RTI info for second %i \n",
                utime);
    }

    filemc_info = nullptr;
    unsigned int run = SHeader->run;
    if (filemc.find(run) != filemc.end()) {
        filemc_info = filemc[run];
    } else {
        if (_debug)
            printf("[TSAnaPluginManager::Process] - No FileMCInfo info for run %i \n",
                run);
    }

    Bool_t retValue = kTRUE, tempret;

    for (auto &pl : _plugins) {
        _bench->Start((std::string)((TNamed *)pl.get())->GetName() + "::Process");
        tempret = pl->Process(entry);
        retValue = retValue && tempret;
        _bench->Stop((std::string)((TNamed *)pl.get())->GetName() + "::Process");
    }

    return retValue;
}

```

SAVING RESULTS

Users declare histograms and trees they want to save to the plugin manager, which then manages creation and fill of such objects.

Trees are created as disk-resident, while memory usage checks will be introduced to avoid users allocating many huge histograms (on one of the first tests a user managed to book 7Gb worth of histograms... 😅)

Histograms and trees are accessed by name. To avoid name collision between different users, the plugin name is combined with the histogram name to make it unique.

```
void TSAnaPlugin::AddHisto(TH1* hist){
    if(_debug) printf("[TSAnaPlugin::AddHisto] - Enter \n");

    hist->SetName( TranslateObjectName(hist).c_str() );
    hman->Add( hist );
};

void TemplatePlugin::BookHistos(){
    AddHisto( new TH1D("LiveTimeF", ";lf;Counts", 100, 0., 1.) );
    AddHisto( new TH1D("nParticle", ";nP;Counts", 6, -0.5, 5.5) );
    AddHisto( new TH1D("nTrTrack", ";nTrack;Counts", 10, -0.5, 9.5) );
}

template <typename T, typename... Vals>
void TSAnaPlugin::Fill(T&& hname, Vals... vals){
    hman->Fill(TranslateObjectName(std::forward<T>(hname)), vals...);
};

Bool_t TemplatePlugin::Process(Long64_t entry){
    TSAnaPlugin::Process( entry ); //preparation

    //=====
    //Do your Process stuff here, this will be your analysis code
    // example:
    //Histogram fill example
    Fill("nParticle", Header->nparticle);
    Fill("nTrTrack", Header->ntrtrack);
    //=====

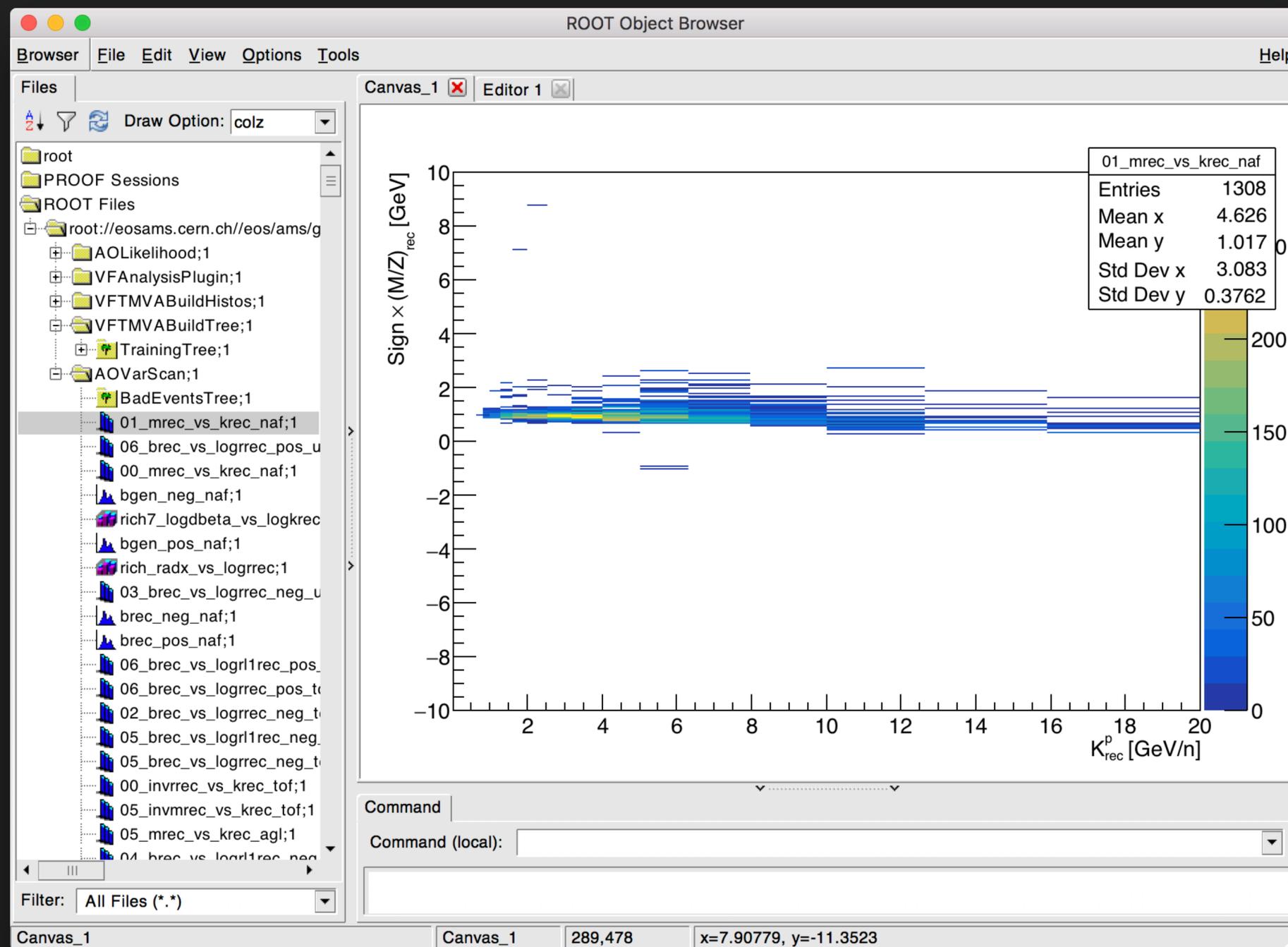
    return kTRUE;
};
```

SAVING RESULTS

The plugin output is saved in a dedicated `TDirectoryFile` inside the output `TFile` object.

User data directories will then be separated in different files after the production is finished.

This allows easier file management in batch jobs (no need to know how many plugins are running/which files to transfer).



SHARING MORE WORK

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To allow flexibility cuts are defined as named lambda functions with a default set of parameters. This allow full-customisation from users, who can also create their own selections on the fly.

The first plugin that asks for the result of a selection triggers the condition check, the result for the current event and the required parameters values is then cached.

```
class CutAction {  
  
public:  
    CutAction( //full constructor  
        std::string name, // cut name  
        std::vector<double> defParams, // default parameters  
        std::function<bool(Event*, std::vector<double>)> cut // lambda function  
    ) : _name(name), _defParams(defParams), _cut(cut) {}  
  
    virtual ~CutAction(){};  
  
    std::string GetName(){ return _name; }  
    std::vector<double> GetDefParams() { return _defParams; }  
  
    bool Check( Event* Ev, std::vector<double> params ){ return _cut(Ev, params); }  
  
private:  
    std::string _name;  
    std::vector<double> _defParams;  
    std::function<bool(Event*, std::vector<double>)> _cut;  
};
```

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Instances come with a proxy which handles the caching of the action result.

```
class CutInstance {
public:
    CutInstance(std::string name, std::string cutname);
    virtual ~CutInstance(){};
    bool Check(Event *Ev) { return _cutProxy.Check(Ev, _cutAction); };
    void SetParameters(const std::vector<double> params) {
        _cutProxy.SetParameters(params);
    };
    void SetParameter(const unsigned int nParam, double value) {
        _cutProxy.SetParameter(nParam, value);
    };

private:
    std::string _name;
    CutProxy _cutProxy;
    std::shared_ptr<CutAction> _cutAction;
};

bool CutProxy::Check(Event* Ev, std::shared_ptr<CutAction> cutAction){
    if( Ev->SHeader->run != lastRun || Ev->SHeader->event != lastEv ){
        lastRun = Ev->SHeader->run;
        lastEv = Ev->SHeader->event;
        cachedResults.clear();
    }
    if( cachedResults.find( _params ) != cachedResults.end() ) {
        lastResult = cachedResults[_params];
    } else {
        lastResult = cutAction->Check(Ev, _params);
        cachedResults.emplace( _params, lastResult );
    }
    return lastResult;
};
```

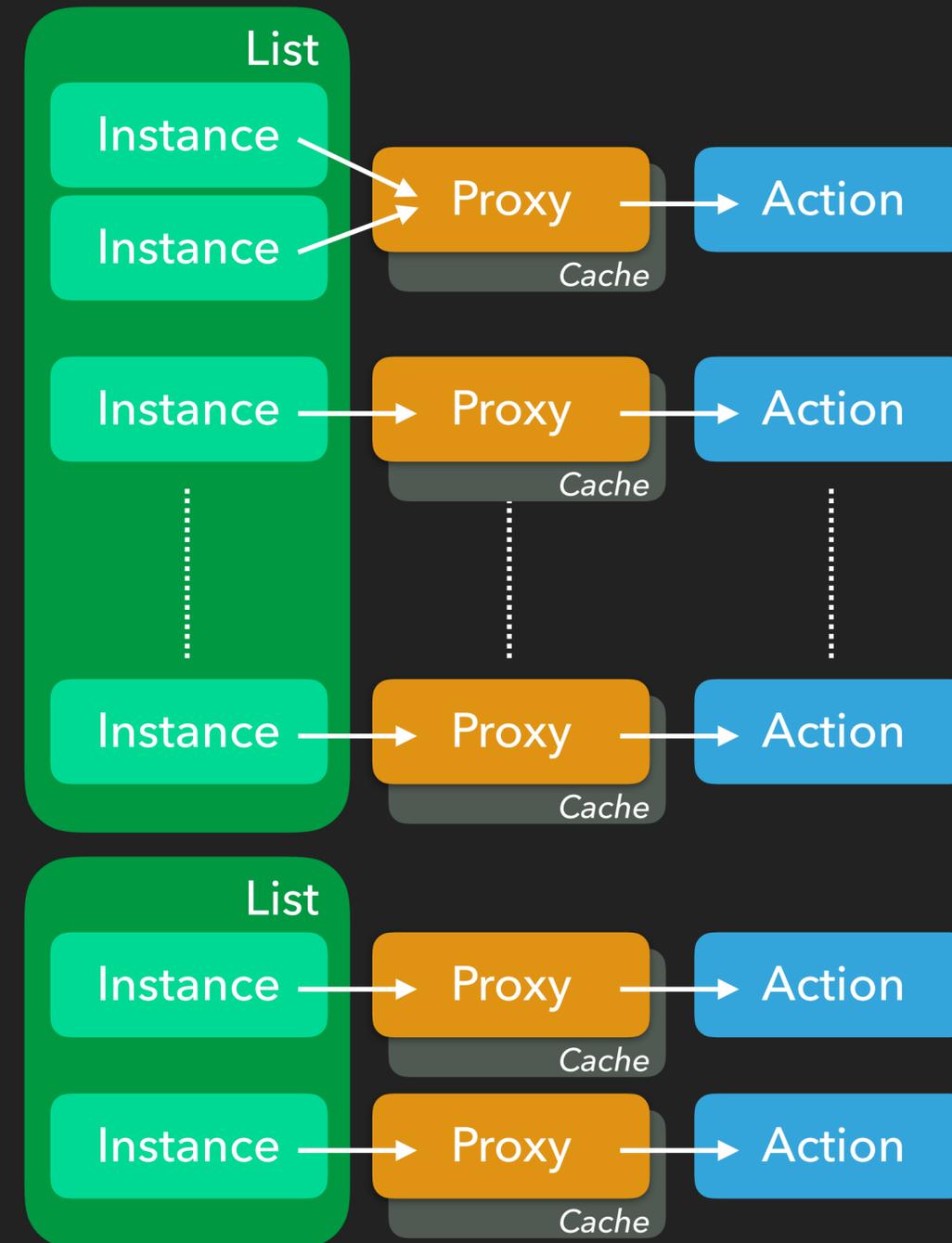
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Cut lists can be used to **chain instances** with other instances or lists.



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Each plugin holds a **CutMgr** object that handles the logic behind the list/instance check.

Users can **exclude on the fly** any number of instances when checking a particular list.

```
template <typename T>
bool CutMgr::CheckSelection(Event *Ev, T &&selname,
                           std::vector<std::string> excluded) {
    static std::string debugSelname;
    if (_debug)
        debugSelname = selname;

    bool result = true;

    if (std::find(excluded.begin(), excluded.end(), selname) != excluded.end()) {
        return true;
    }

    ResPair res = Find(std::forward<std::string>(selname));

    if (res.first && res.second) {
        std::cerr << "[CutMgr::CheckSelection] Fatal Error. Skipping" << std::endl;
        return true;
    }

    if (res.first) {
        for (auto sel : res.first->GetList()) {
            result &= CheckSelection(Ev, std::move(sel), excluded);
        }
    } else if (res.second) {
        result &= res.second->Check(Ev);
    }

    return result;
}
```

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The “local” CutMgr holds all user-created cuts, it falls back to the PluginManager CutMgr if the cut is not found locally, and finally it falls back to a preloaded set of cuts (CutDB) which holds the most common selections used for the analysis.

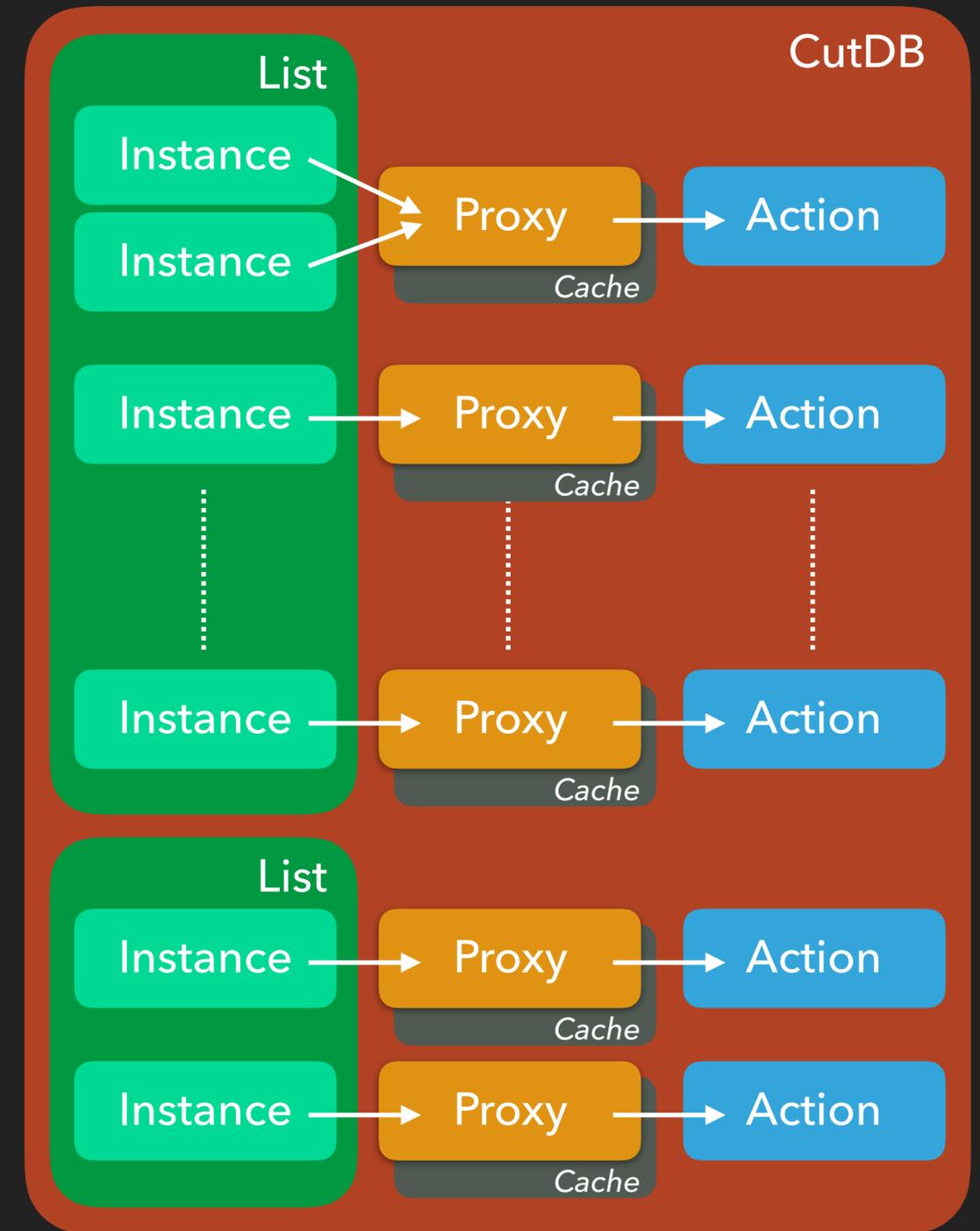
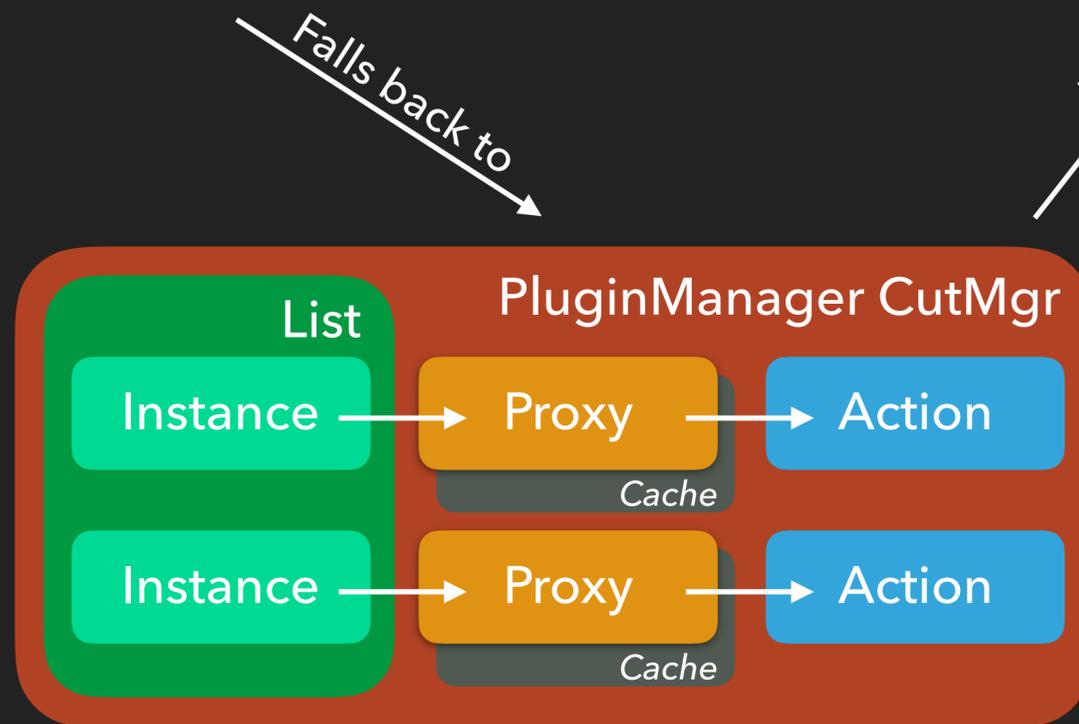
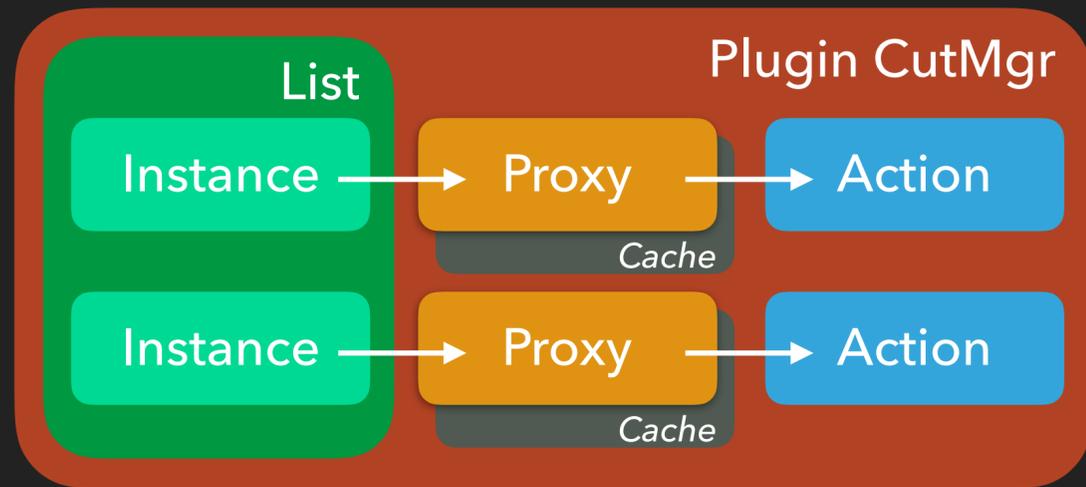
```
ResPair CutMgr::Find(std::string selname) {
    auto selRes = _selStore.find(selname);
    if (selRes != _selStore.end()) {
        return std::make_pair(selRes->second, nullptr);
    }

    auto instRes = _instStore.find(selname);
    if (instRes != _instStore.end()) {
        return std::make_pair(nullptr, instRes->second);
    }

    if (_fallbacks.size()) {
        for (auto mgr : _fallbacks) {
            auto res = mgr->Find(selname);
            if (res.first || res.second)
                return res;
            else {
                std::cerr << "[CutMgr::Find] Error - Selection " << selname
                    << " not present in the main DB." << std::endl;
            }
        }
    } else {
        auto res = CutDB::Head().Find(selname);
        if (res.first || res.second)
            return res;
        else {
            std::cerr << "[CutMgr::Find] Error - Selection " << selname
                << " not present in the main DB." << std::endl;
        }
    }

    return std::make_pair(nullptr, nullptr);
}
```

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CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ A framework is being developed within the AMS dbar analysis group to encapsulate code from each user and share all the I/O operations.
- ▶ The framework leverages the TSelector structure to encapsulate code into dynamically linked libraries that can be loaded at runtime by a plugin manager that loads the data and runs each plugin on said data.
- ▶ Users can easily define and fill histograms and trees which are then managed and saved by the plugin manager.
- ▶ Users can apply parametric selections to each event, and for each unique selection the result is calculated only once and then cached for following calls.
- ▶ The aim of this work is to setup nightly analysis trains to allow for day-scale iteration on the analysis and optimise user time (you come to the office, look at the latest results, debug all day, finally push your new plugin to the repo and go home, rinse and repeat)
- ▶ More feature can and will be implemented (performance checks, web dashboard, and so on...)