Towards full electromagnetic physics vectorisation in the GeantV transport framework

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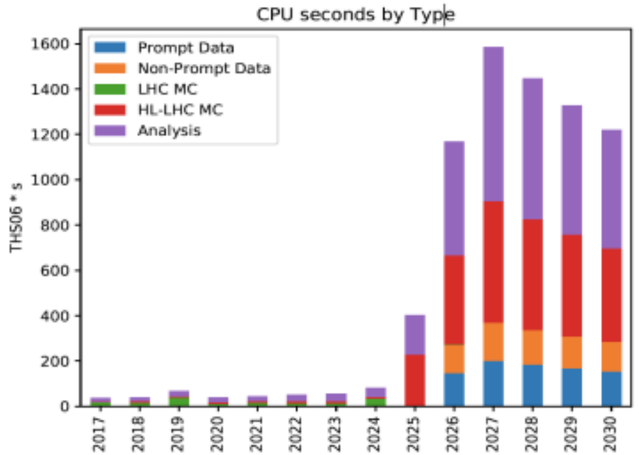

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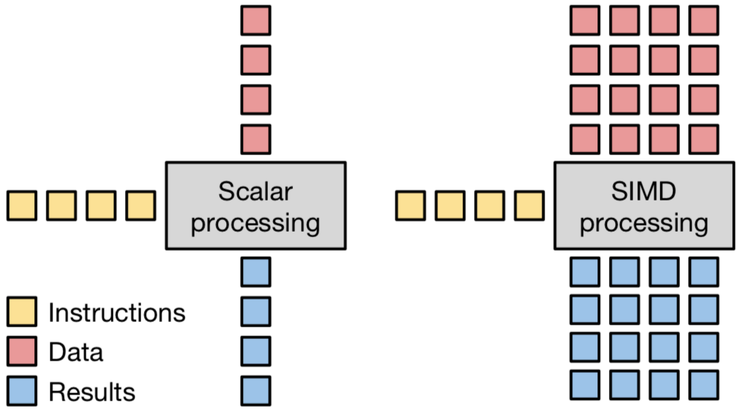
- The project studies performance gains when changing the classic particle transport approach, propagating **multiple tracks from multiple events in parallel**
  - improving code and data locality in the process
  - enabling SIMD/SIMT execution models: Vectorization+Multithreading
- **Vectorization of physics library** is important as key part of the algorithmic chain



WHEN WE CAN PROFIT FROM VECTORIZATION

- Functions with many **math computations**, not bounded by **memory access**
  - Such as +, *, /, sqrt, sin, cos, exp, log (ordered according to approximate computation complexity)
  - Load 4 doubles into SIMD register is one instruction but it is not faster than loading values one by one
- Functions with **minimal branching**
  - Branching **may** require to evaluate both branches for vectorized code

Scalar code

```
if (cond > rndArray[0]) {
  eps  = Math::Exp(-al1 * rndArray[1]);
  eps2 = eps * eps;
} else {
  eps2 = eps02 + (1. - eps02) * rndArray[1];
  eps  = Math::Sqrt(eps2);
}
```

Vector code

```
MaskD_v cond1 = cond > rnd1;
if (!MaskEmpty(cond1)) {
  vecCore::MaskedAssign(eps, cond1, Math::Exp(-al1 * rnd2));
  vecCore::MaskedAssign(eps2, cond1, eps * eps);
}
if (!MaskEmpty(!cond1)) {
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  vecCore::MaskedAssign(eps, !cond1, Math::Sqrt(eps2));
}
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GEANTV EM PHYSICS LIBRARY

Current State

particle	processes	model(s)	
		GeantV	**Geant4**
e^-	ionisation	Møller [100eV-100TeV]	Møller [100eV-100TeV]
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	annihilation	Heitler (2γ) [0-100TeV]	Heitler (2γ) [0-100TeV]
γ	photoelectric	Sauter-Gavrila + EPICS2014 [1eV-100TeV]	Sauter-Gavrila + EPICS2014 [1eV-100TeV]
	incoherent sc.	Klein-Nishina$^+$ [100eV-100TeV]	Klein-Nishina$^+$ [100eV-100TeV]
	e^-e^+pair production	Bethe-Heitler$^+$ [100eV-80GeV]	Bethe-Heitler$^+$ [100eV-80GeV]
		Bethe-Heitler$^+$ w. LPM [80GeV-100TeV]	Bethe-Heitler$^+$ w. LPM [80GeV-100TeV]
	coherent sc.	-	Livermore
+	energy loss fluct.	-	Urban

- Every model is **tested and verified against the corresponding Geant4** model (cross section per atom, cross section per volume, and kinematic of primary and secondary particles)
- **EM showers** in GeantV can be **fully simulated** in real applications (i.e. FullCMS, TestEM3, TestEM5, FullLHCb) and the results are verified against the corresponding Geant4 simulation

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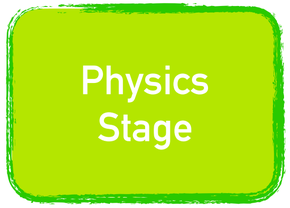

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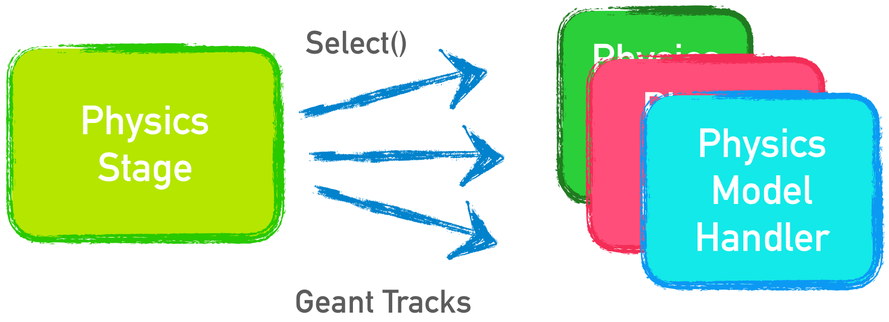

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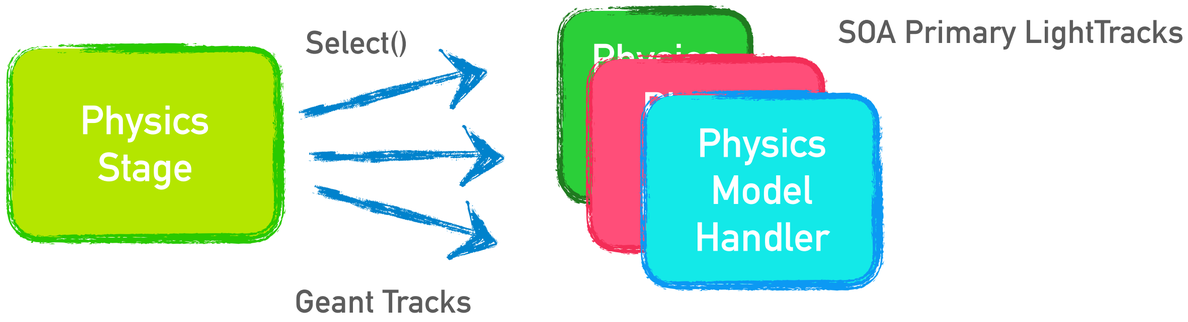

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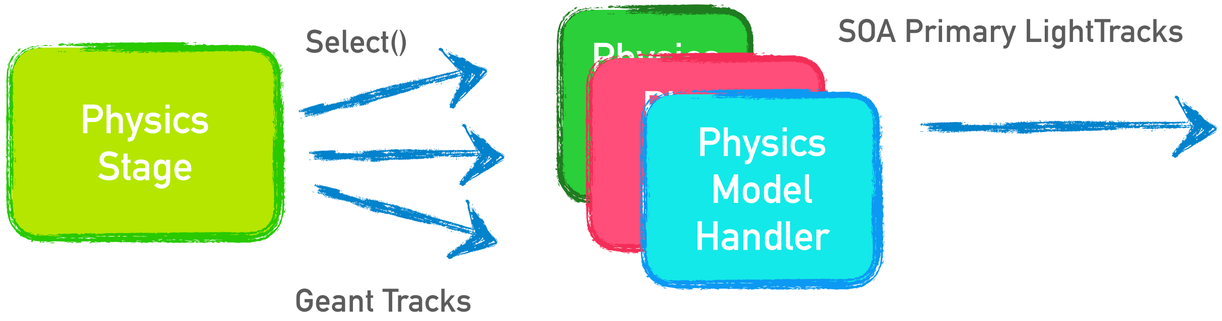

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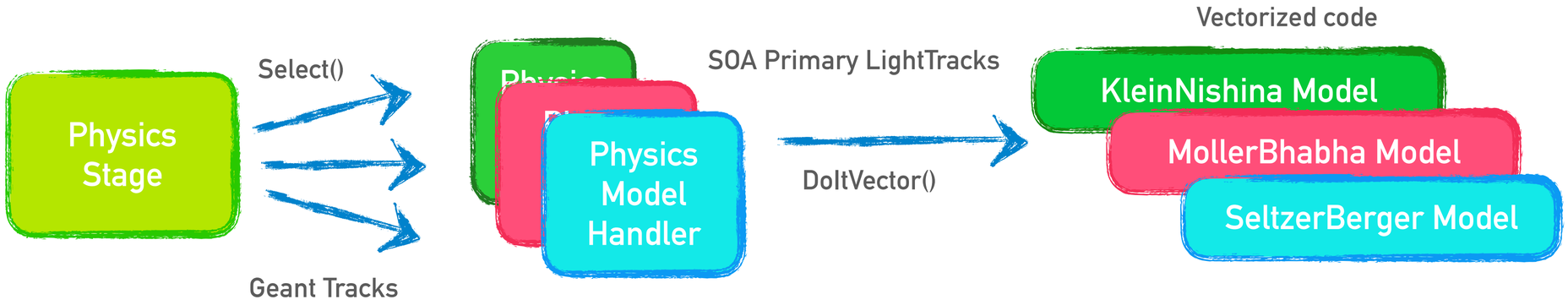

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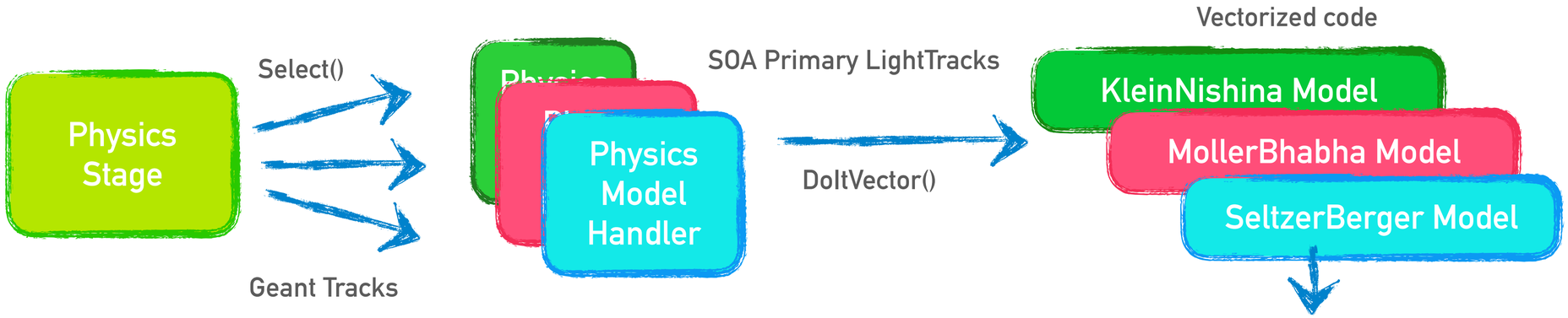

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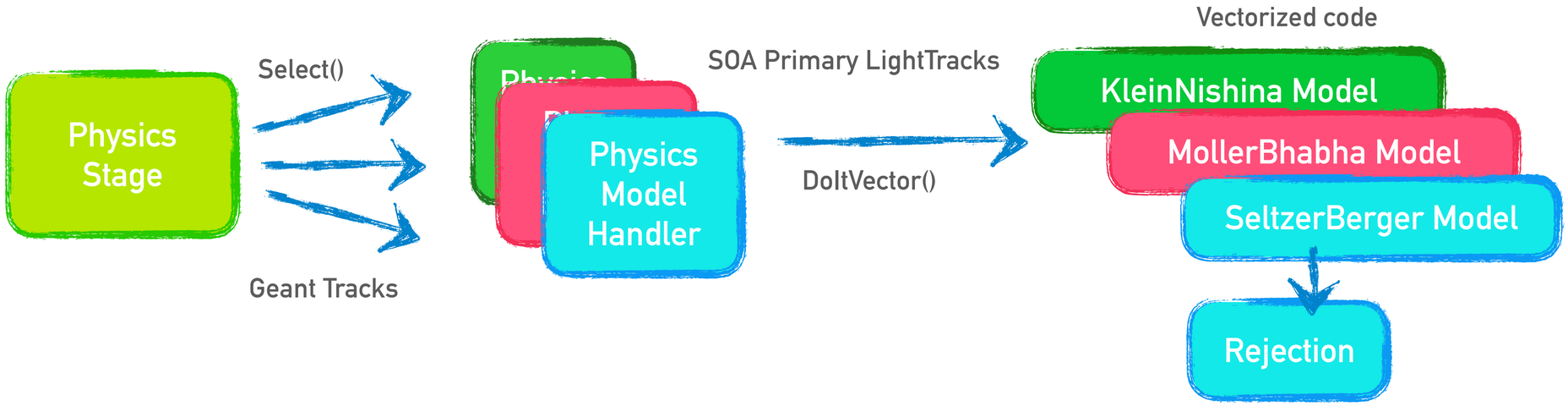

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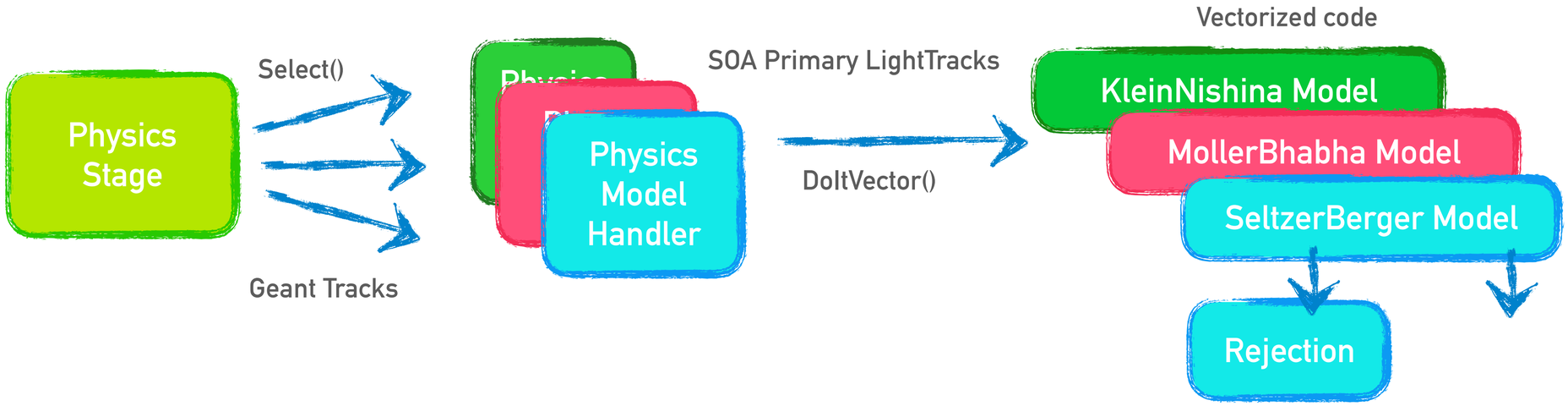

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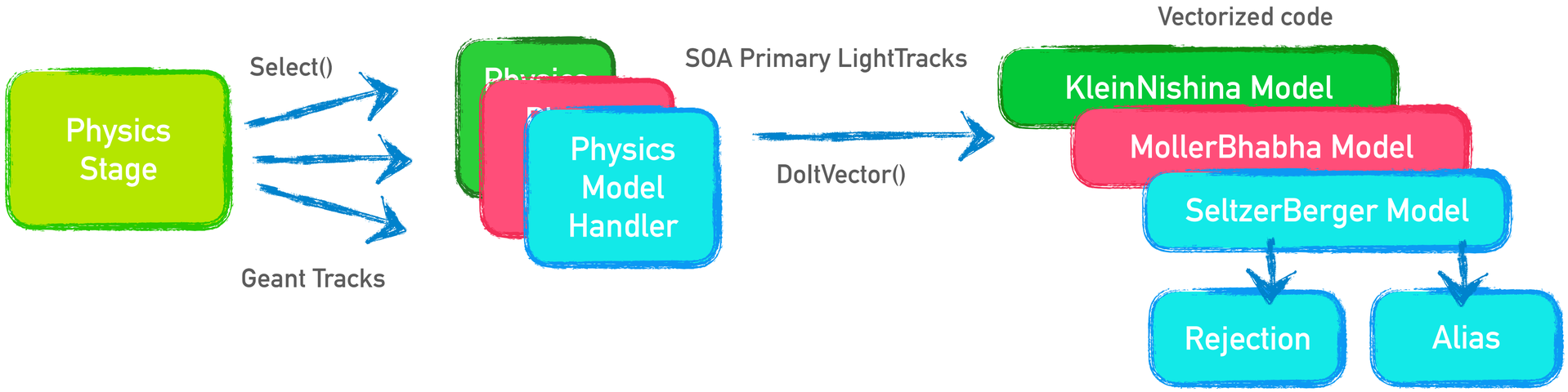

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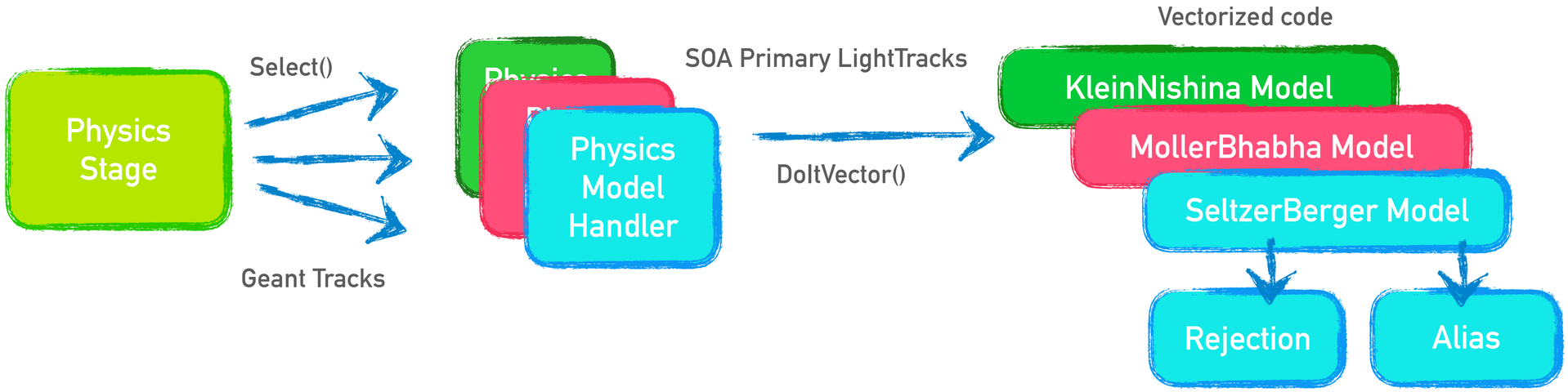

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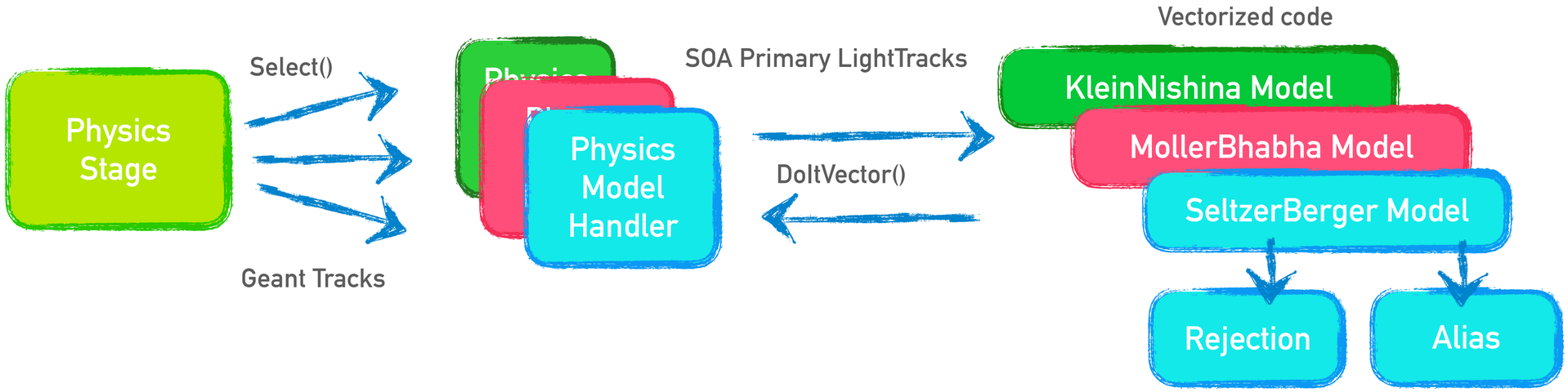

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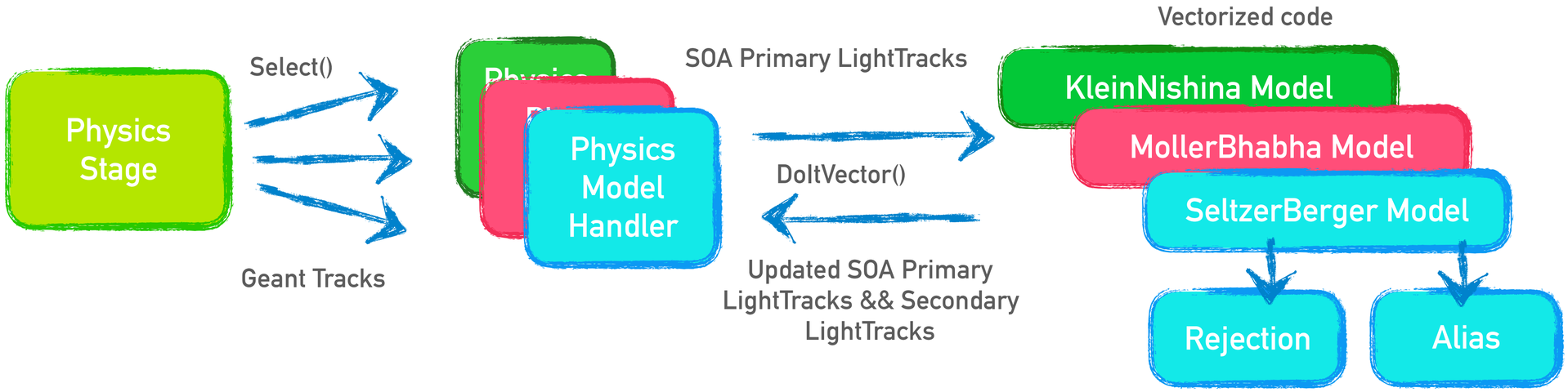

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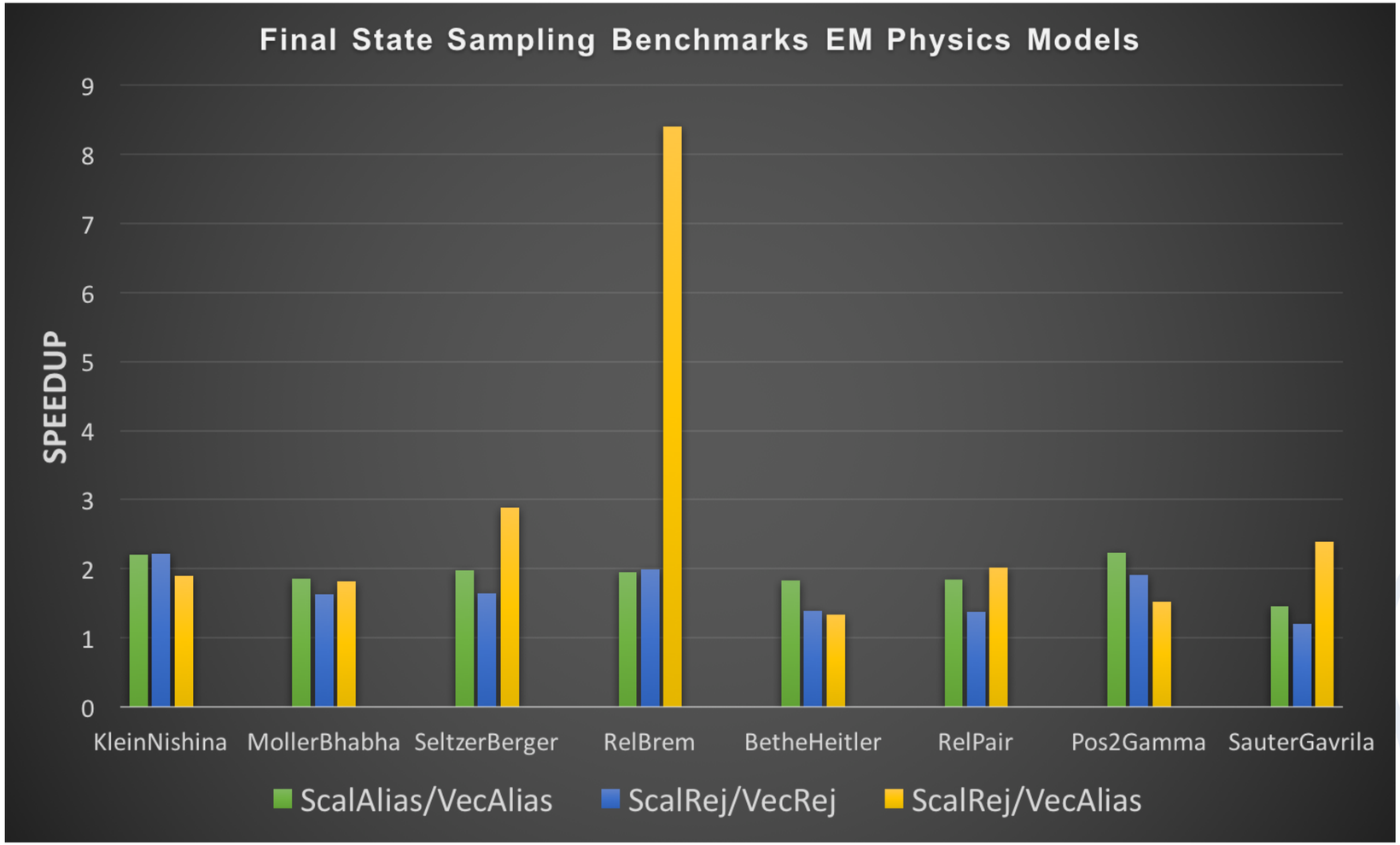

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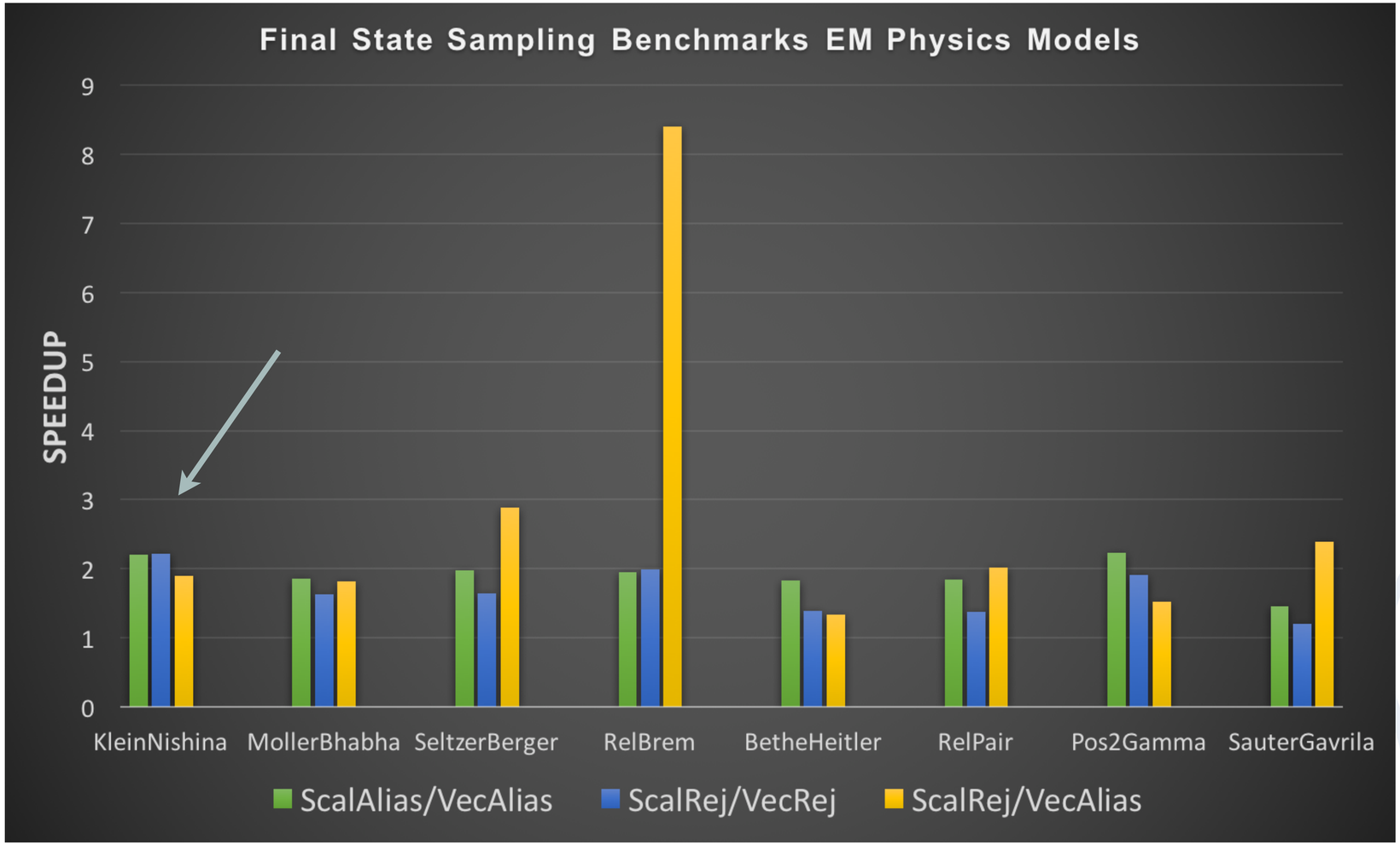

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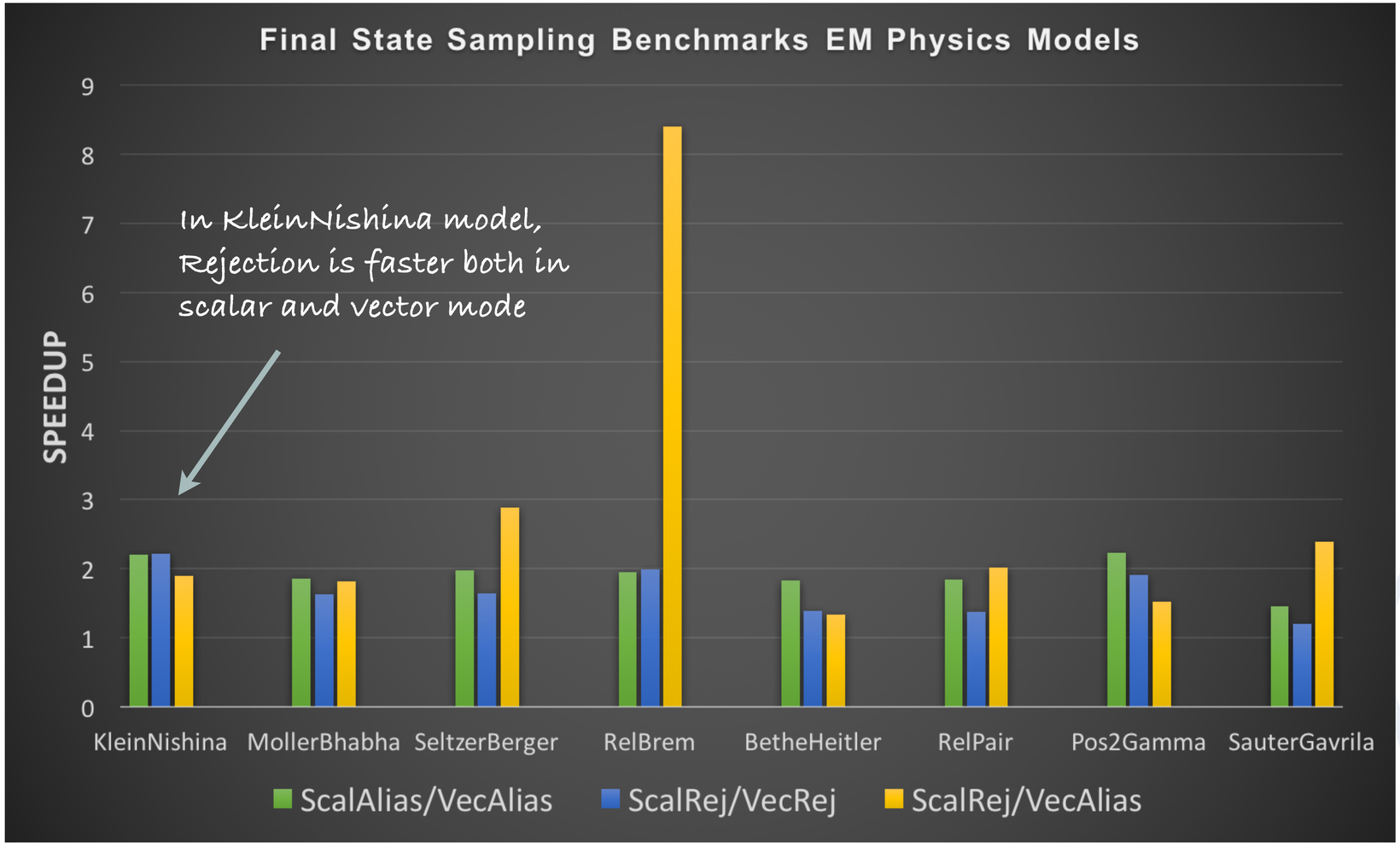

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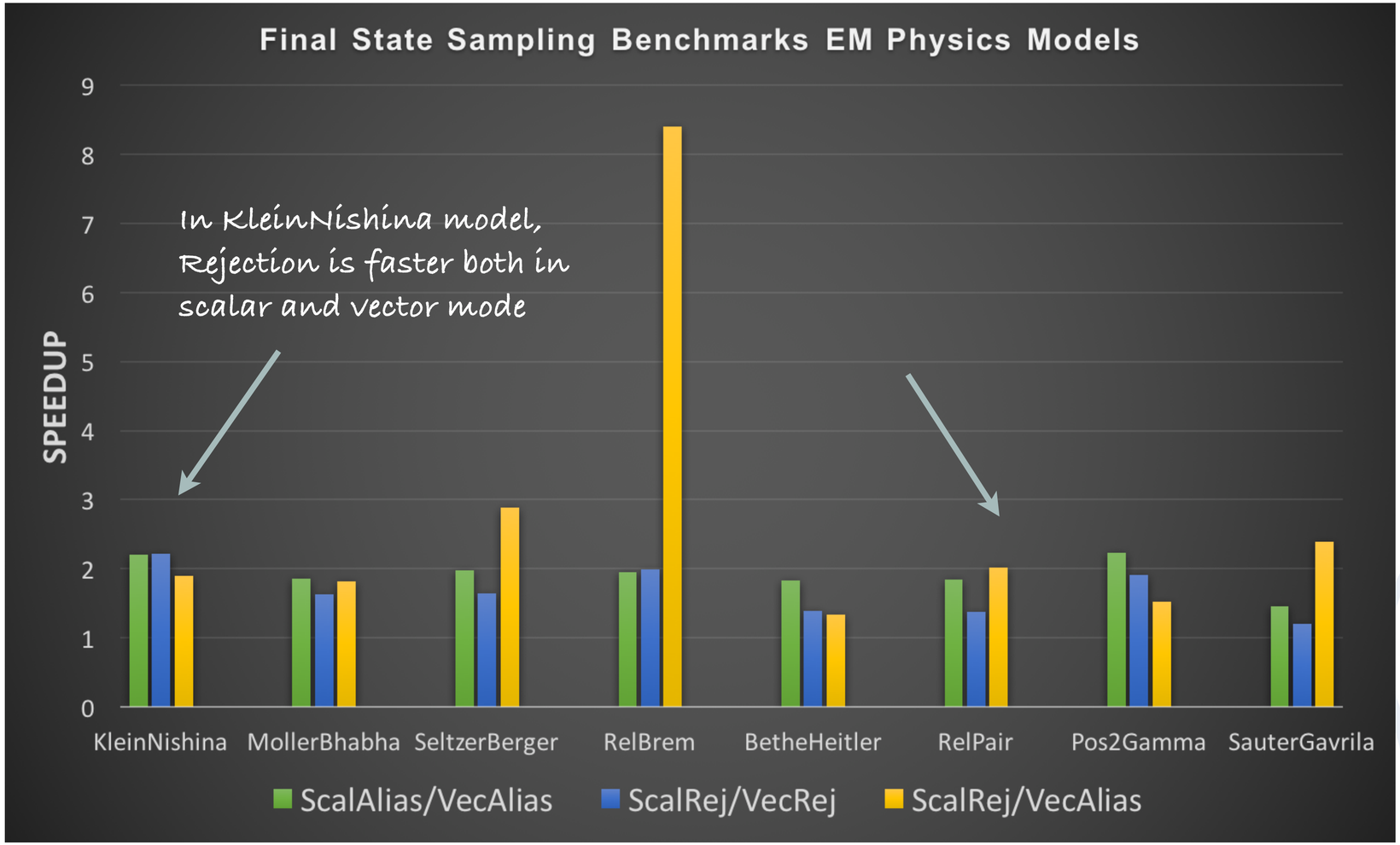

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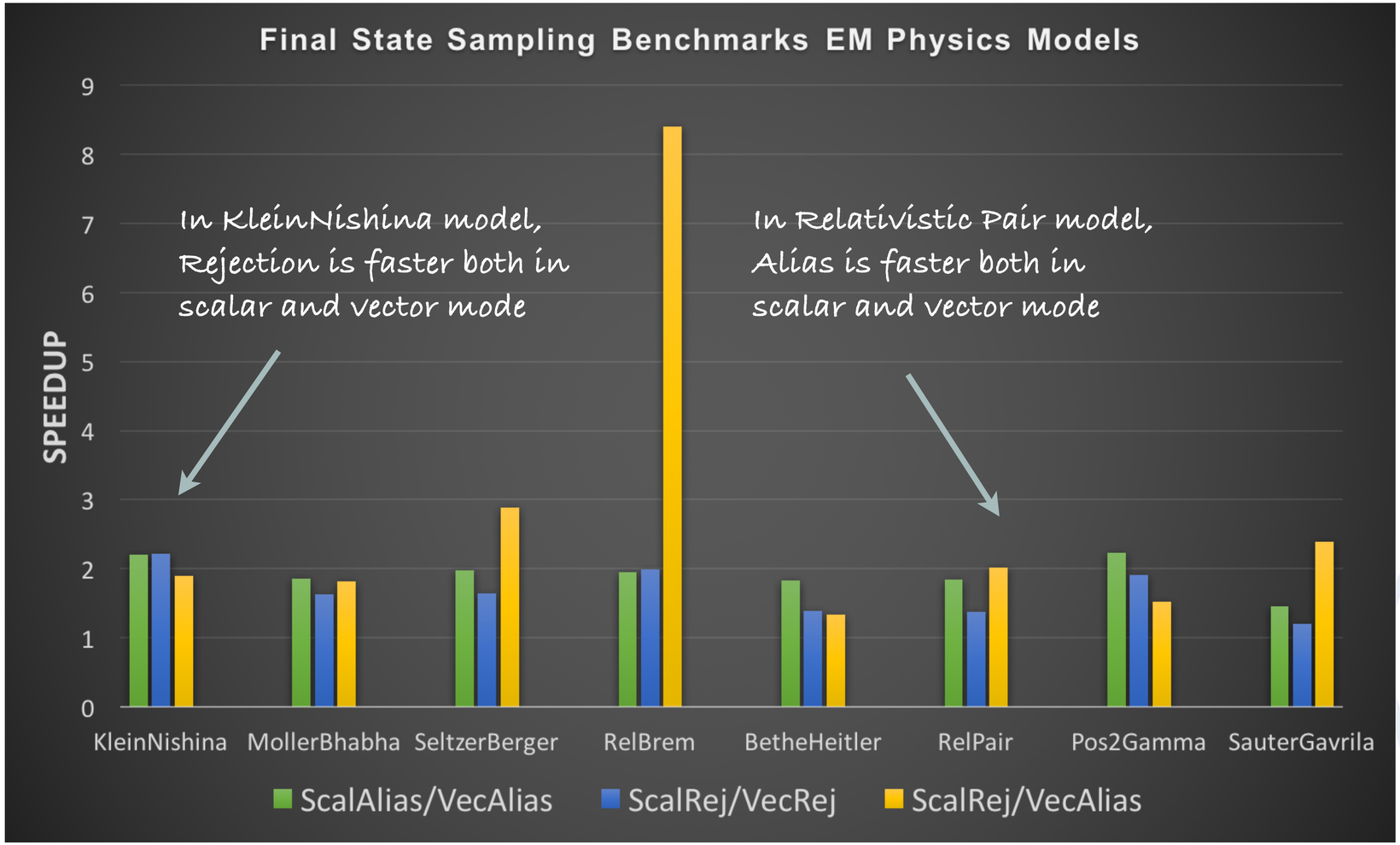

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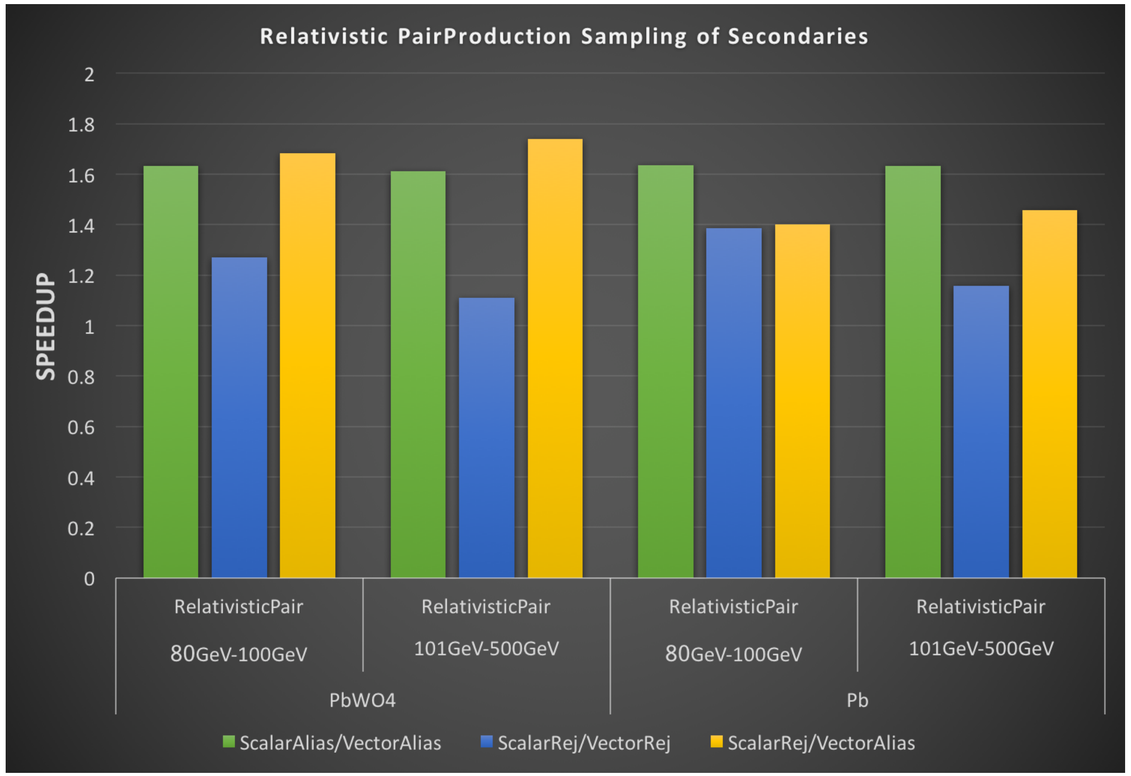

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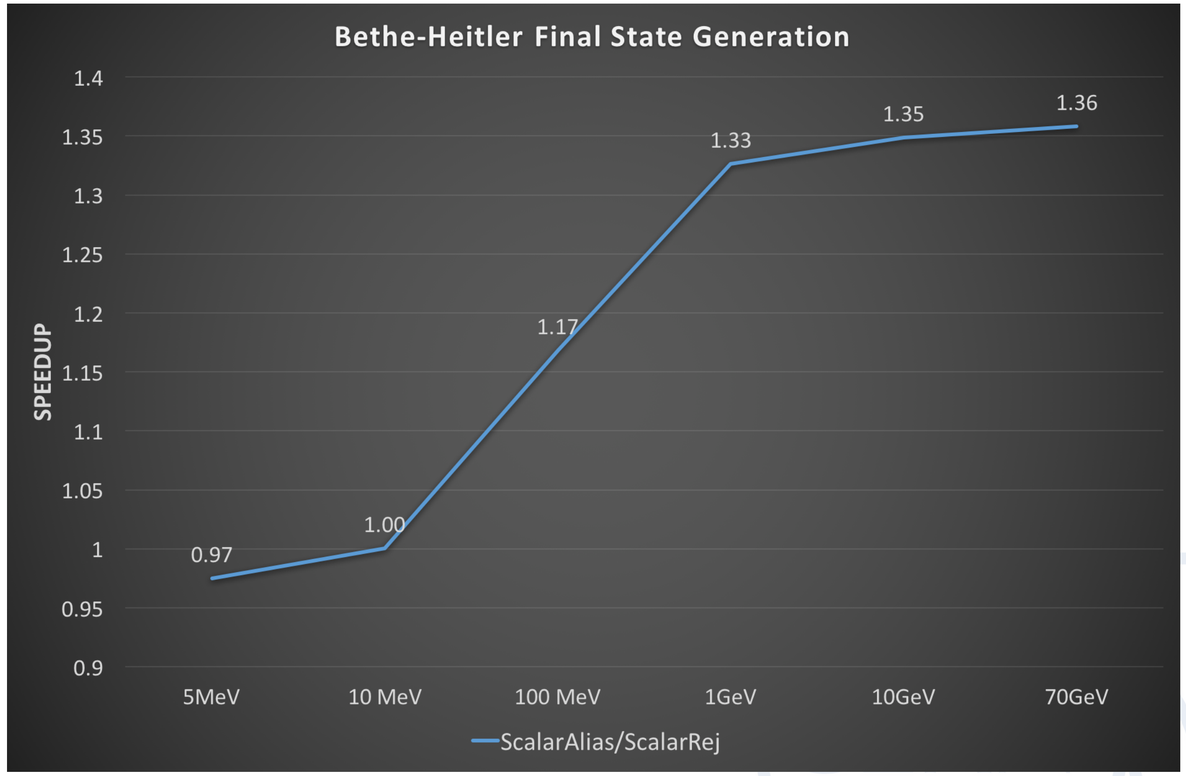

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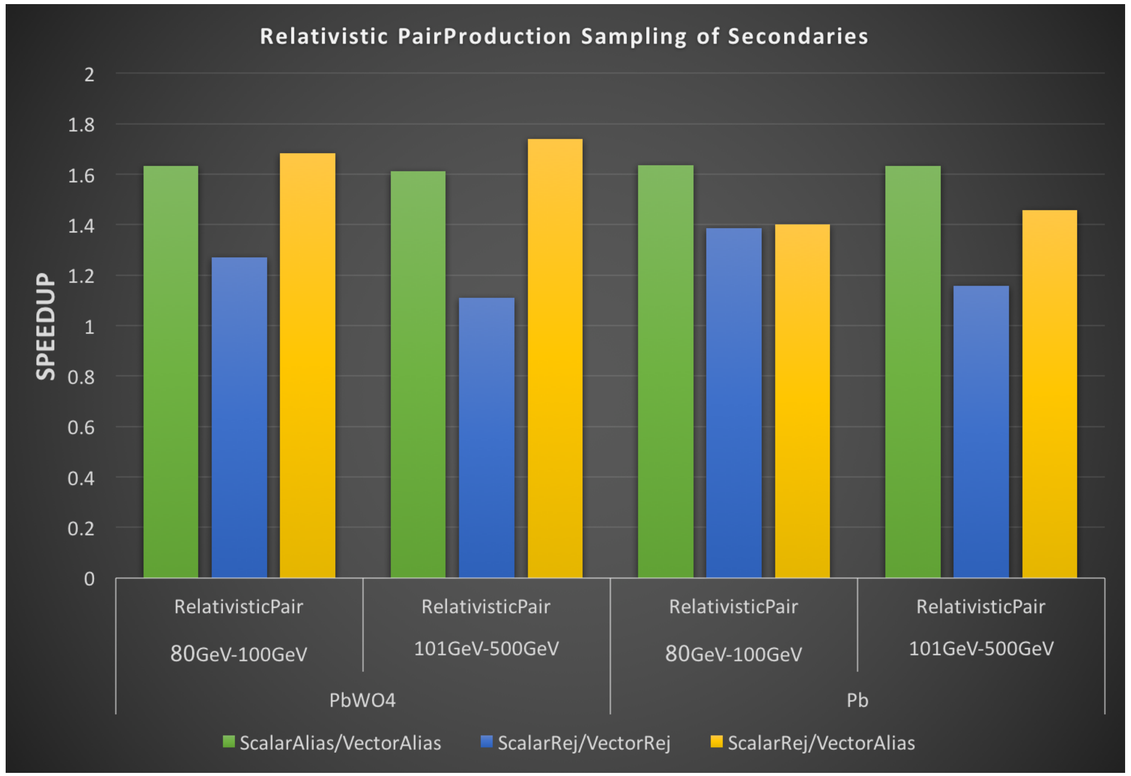

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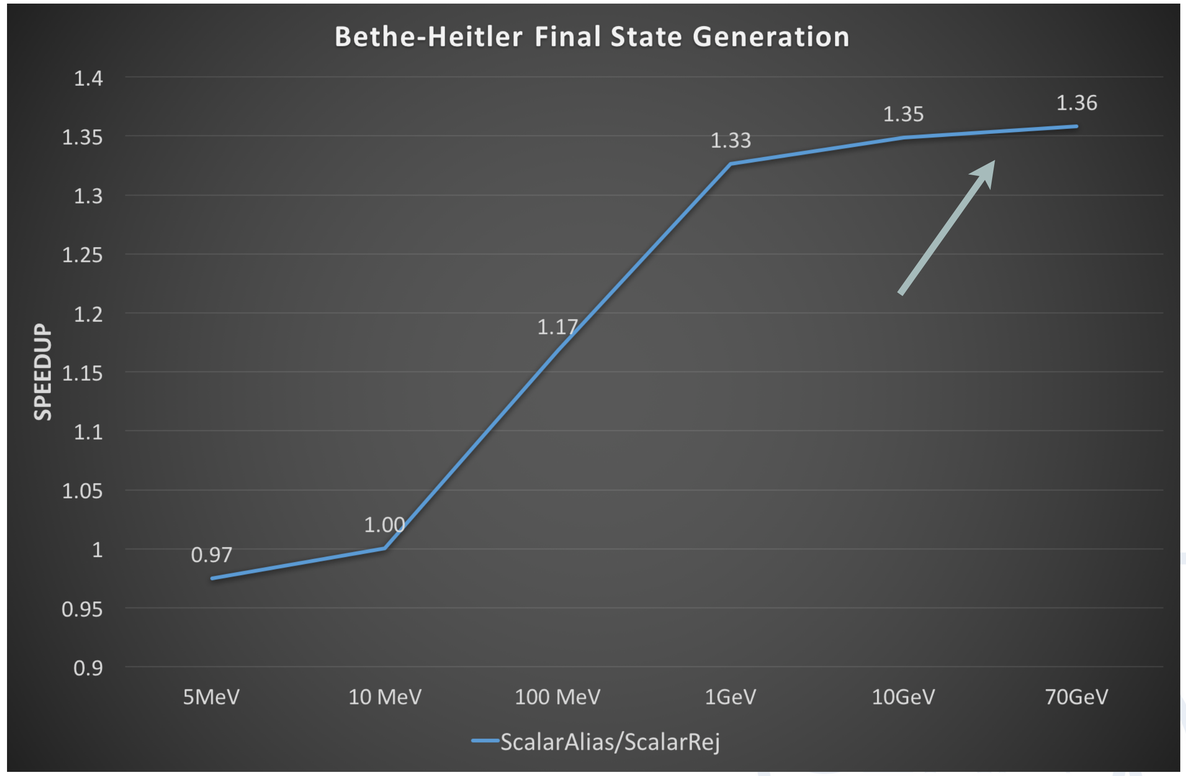

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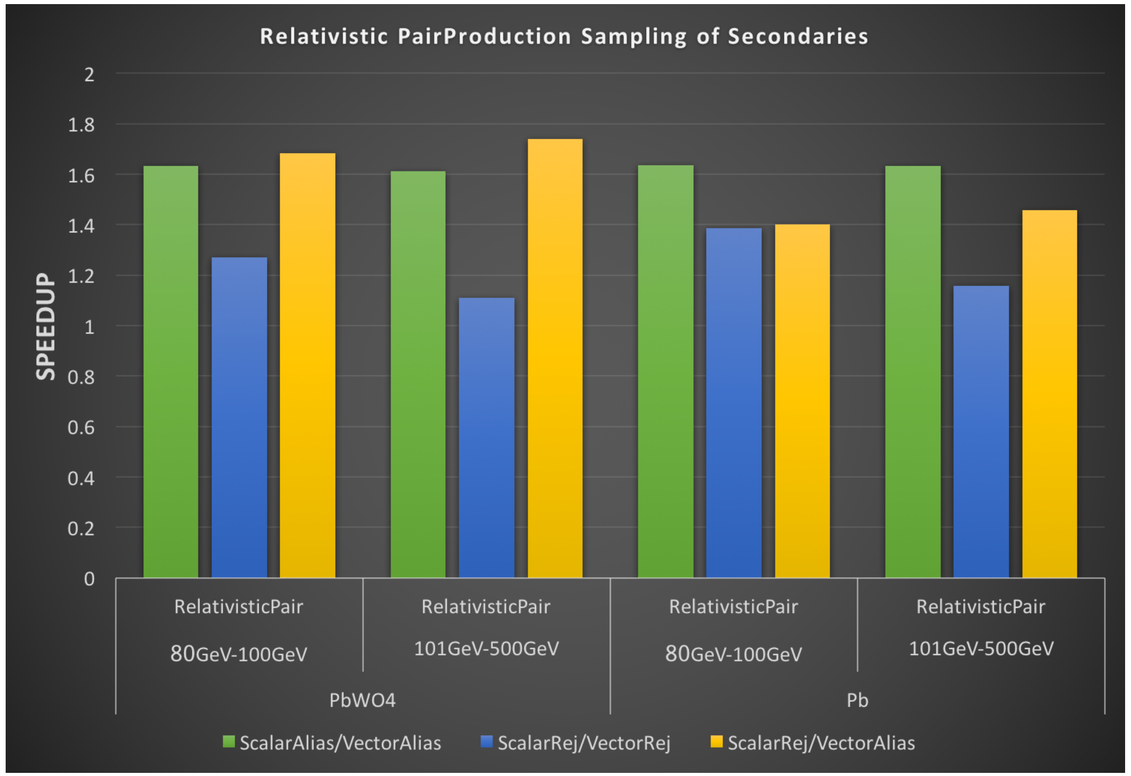

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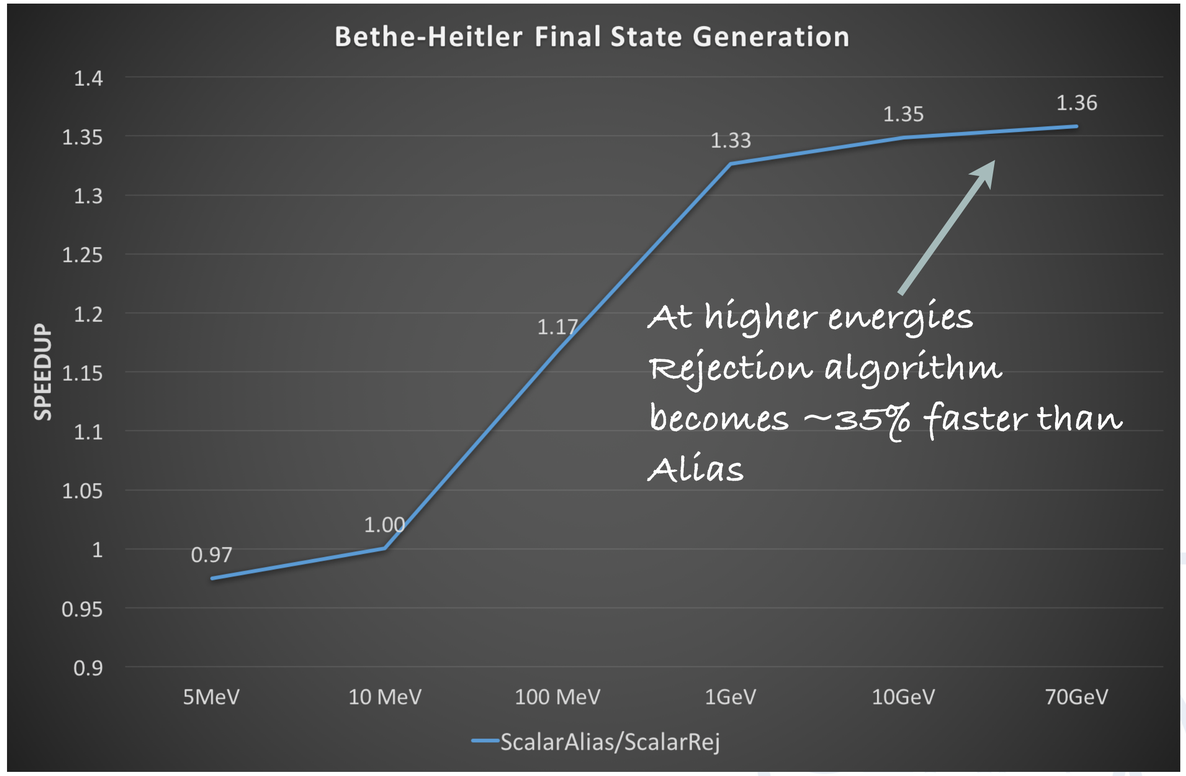

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THANKS FOR THE ATTENTION!

QUESTIONS?

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BACKUP

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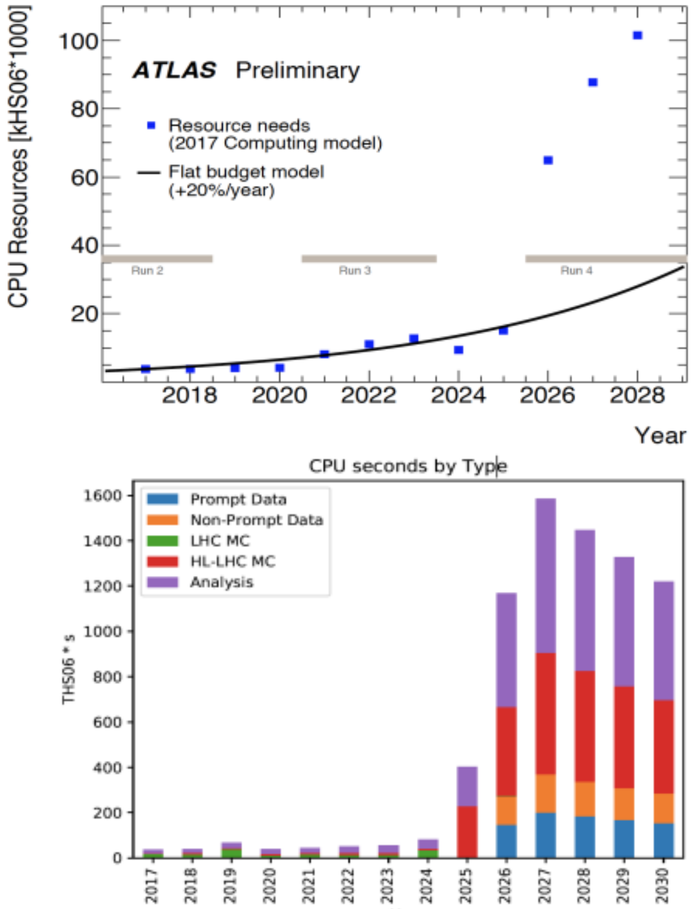
NEED FOR FASTER SIMULATION CODE FOR HEP COMMUNITY

- During the first two runs, the LHC experiments produced, reconstructed, stored, transferred, and analysed **tens of billions** of simulated events
- As part of the high-luminosity LHC physics program (HL-LHC), the upgraded experiments expect to collect **150 times more data** than in Run 1
- More than **50%** of WLCG power used for simulations
- **GeantV**: path towards a faster toolkit **2-5 x Geant4**

Estimated ~10x CPU needs for the HL-LHC era



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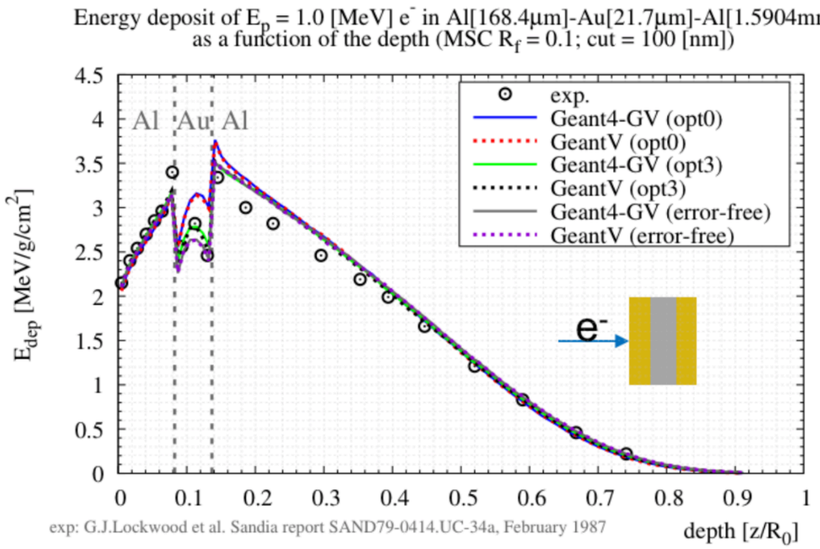


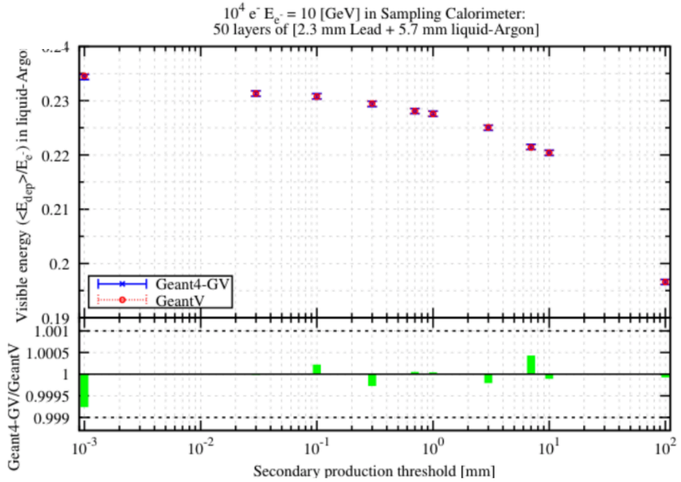
Multi-layered target

Scalar EM models revisited in a vectorization friendly way (e.g. vectorizable sampling) and validated against Geant4 version.

Work in progress on vectorization of all the EM physics - expected to be included in the beta release!

10^5 1 [GeV] e- in ATLAS bar. simpl. cal. : 50 layers of [2.3 mm Pb + 5.7 mm lAr]; p.cut = 0.7 [mm]

	e^-/e^+: ionisation, bremsstrahlung, msc; γ: Compton, conversion							
	GeantV				Geant4			
material	E_d[GeV]	rms [MeV]	tr.l. [m]	rms [cm]	E_d[GeV]	rms [MeV]	tr.l. [m]	rms [cm]
Pb	0.69450	15.198	51.015	1.189	0.69448	15.234	51.016	1.192
lAr	0.22792	14.675	106.11	7.592	0.22796	14.656	106.13	7.582



Mean number of :

gamma	405.87	406.15
electron	9411.49	9419.44
positron	53.77	53.71
charged steps	11470	11476
neutral steps	49177	49222

credit: M. Novak

ATLAS simplified sampling calorimeter

MAXIMUM SPEEDUP ACHIEVABLE

- Depends on the **vector width** but..
- Generally **is less than the vector register width**
  - some operations are **slower** for vector registers

Reciprocal Throughput* for Division DP (SandyBridge)

Scalar	10-20 cycles
Vector	20-44 cycles

    - Maximum speedup for division will be ~ 2 for this CPU
  - **Overhead** payed to gather data into SIMD vectors
- Another important factor is the **number of execution units** for particular instructions = number of instructions that can be executed simultaneously.

*The average number of core clock cycles per instruction for a series of independent instructions of the same kind in the same thread.

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RESULTS: MODEL LEVEL TEST BENCHMARKS

Model	Haswell (avx)	
	Scalar Time [ms]	SpeedUp
Klein-Nishina alias	56.4	2.2
Klein-Nishina rej	48.37	2.21
Moller-Bhabba alias	51.32	1.85
Moller-Bhabba rej	50.21	1.62
Seltzer-Berger brems alias	73.19	1.98
Seltzer-Berger brems rej	106.63	1.64
Relativistic brems alias	76.96	2
Relativistic brems rej	330.57	2
Bethe-Heitler pair alias	86.53	1.82
Bethe-Heitler pair rej	62.98	1.39
Relativistic pair alias	91.66	1.37
Relativistic pair rej	83.42	1.83
Positron2Gamma alias	60.78	2.23
Positron2Gamma rej	41.34	1.91
Sauter-Gavrila alias	66.4	1.45
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Test with Lead, #baskets: 256

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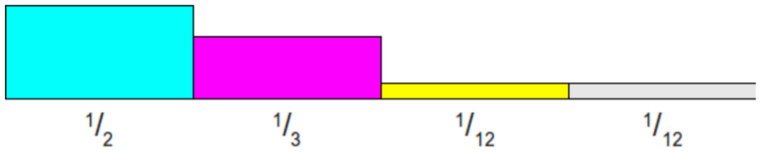

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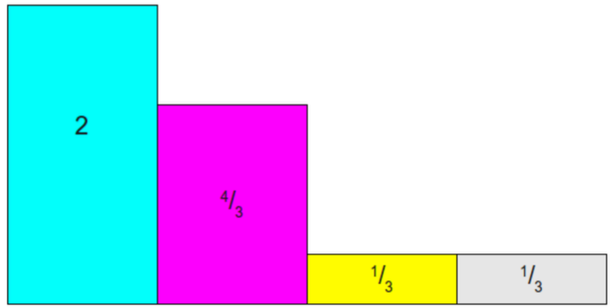

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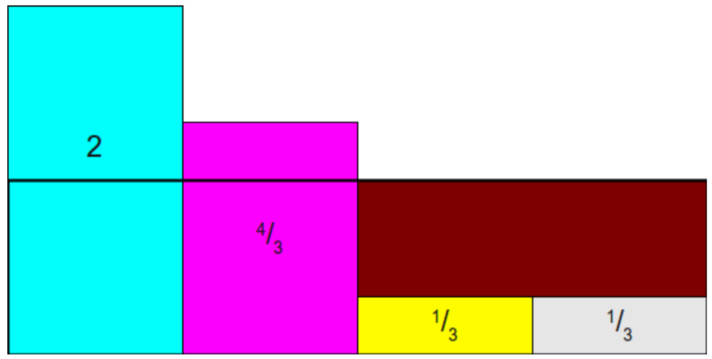

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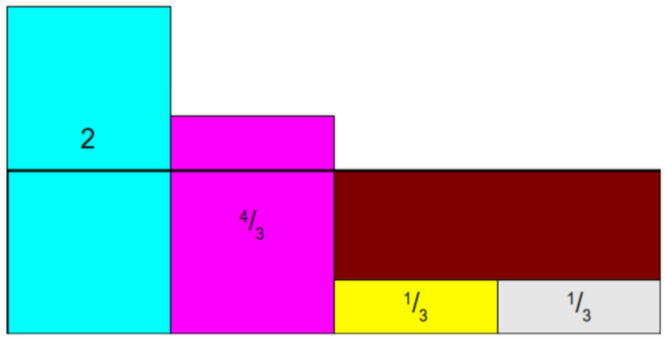

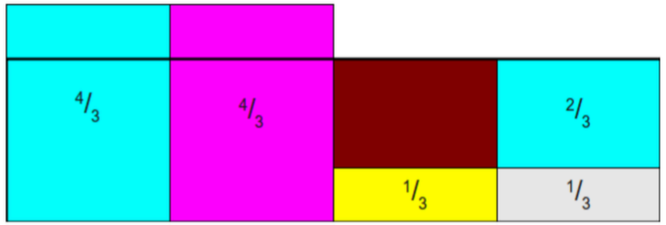

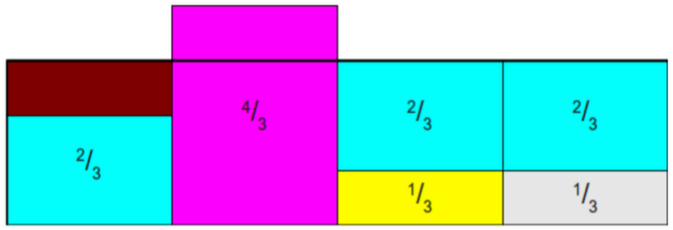

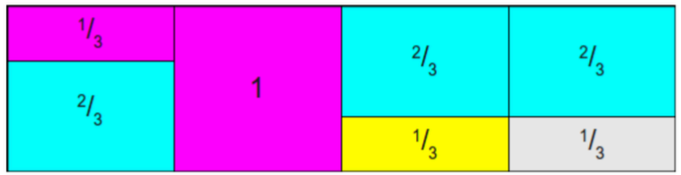

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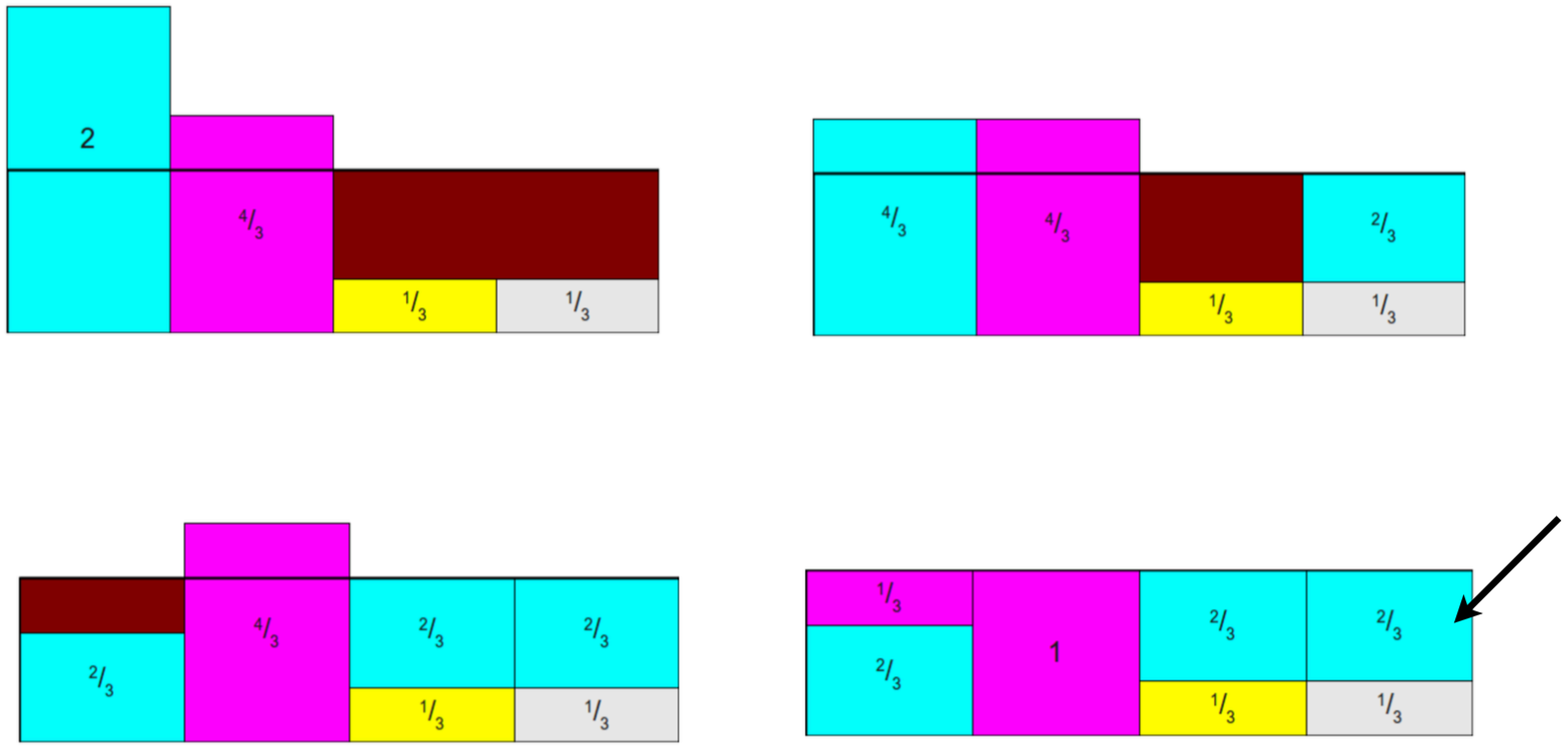

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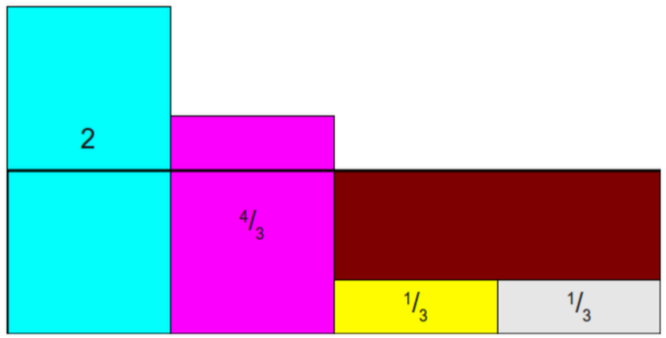
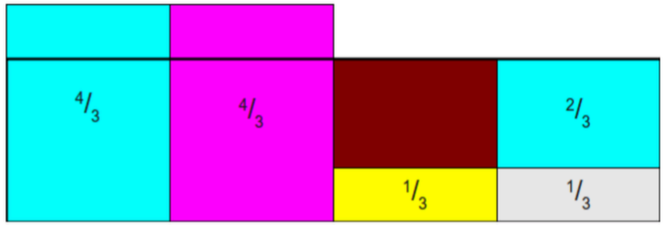
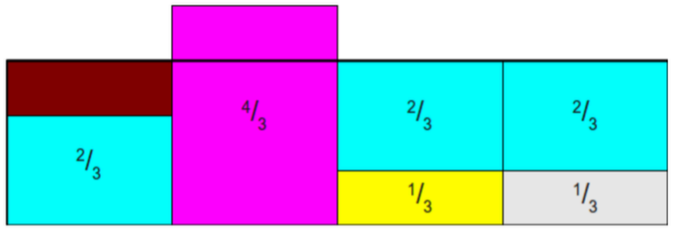
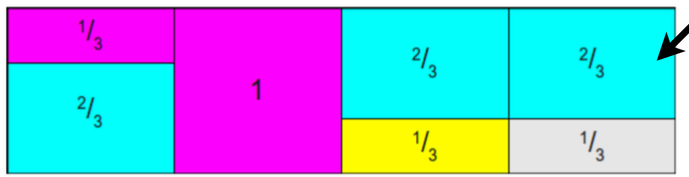


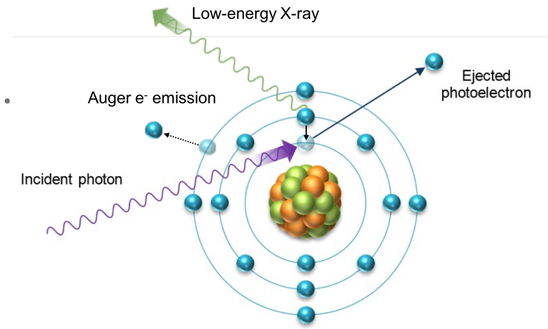




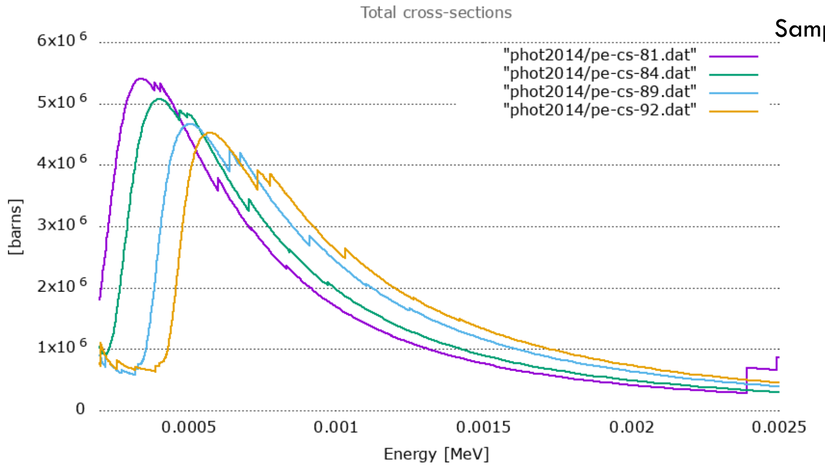


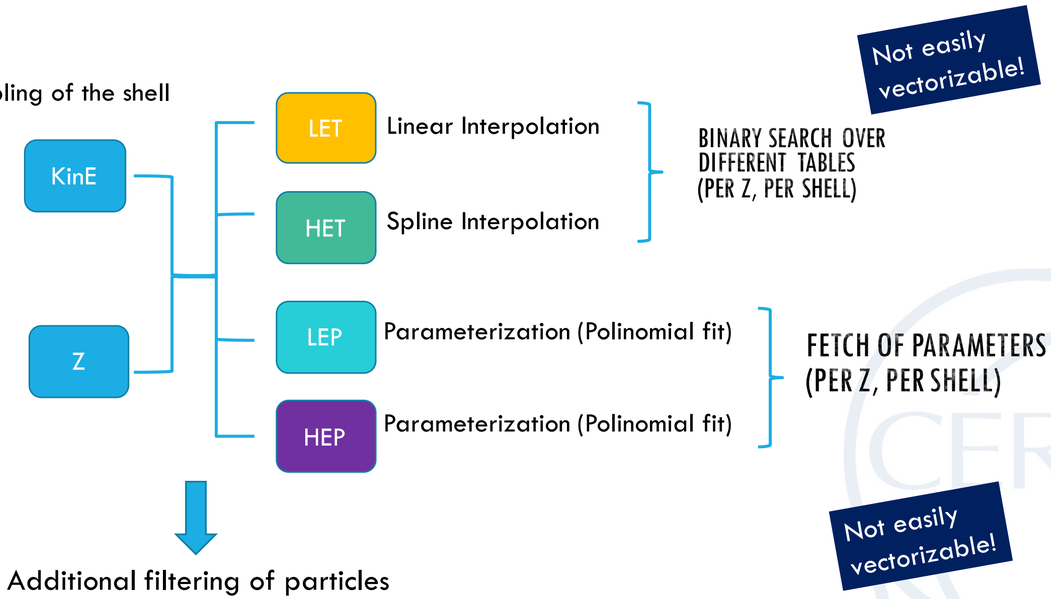
Alias Probability

EXAMPLE: PE EFFECT

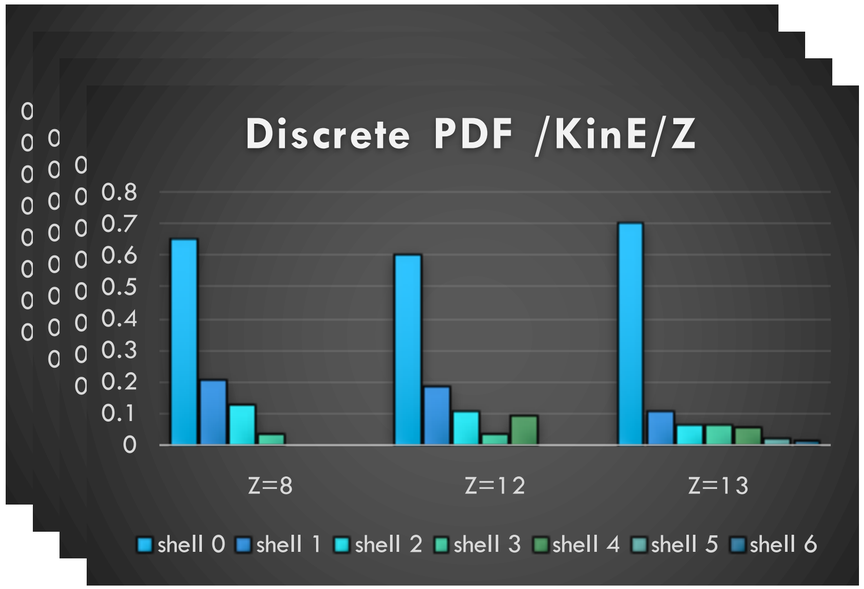


- Photoelectric effect total cross-section is not an easy function
  - Fit in two different energy ranges, but not below k-shell binding energy
    - Tabulated cross-sections left for low energies
  - For the final state sampling one need to sample
    - the angle: described by the SauterGavrila differential cross-section
    - the subshell: This is going through a binary search algorithm (not vectorizable) + linear or spline interpolation





VECTORIZATION WITH DISCRETE ALIAS TABLES



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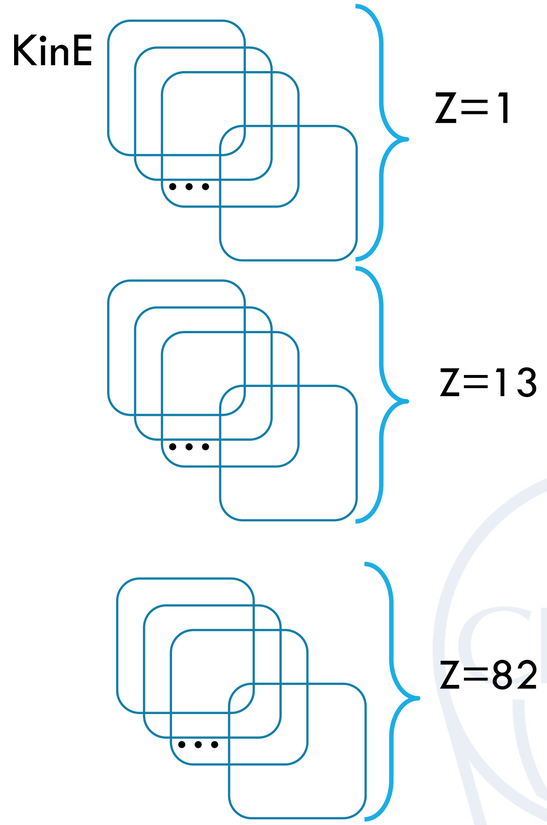

- We generated a denser ss-cs dataset
  - to build equally spaced (in energy) discrete PDFs for each element (linearly interpolated)
  - From them we can build Alias Table
    - PRO: sampling of shells with only one case
    - CONS: Gathering operations

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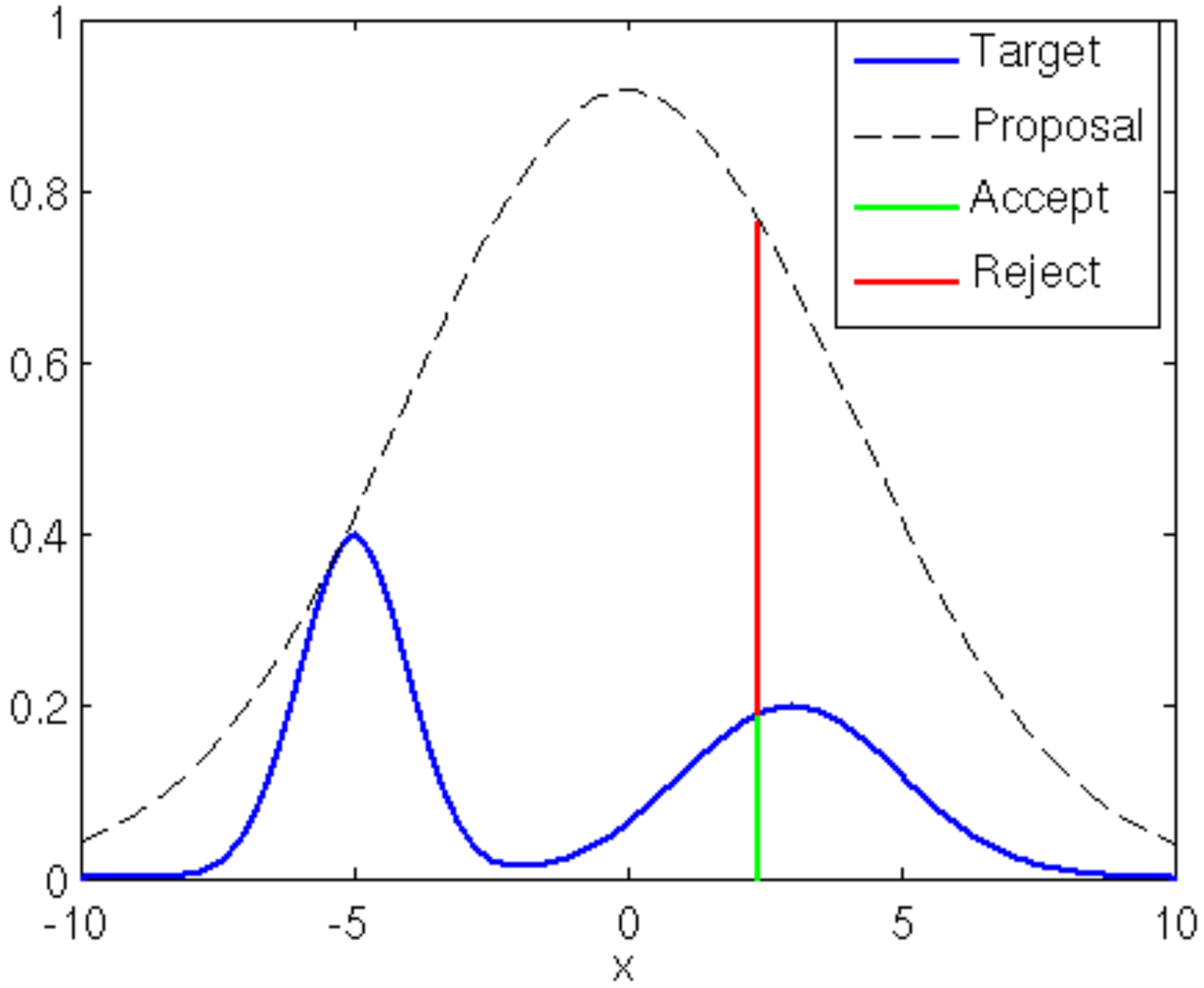

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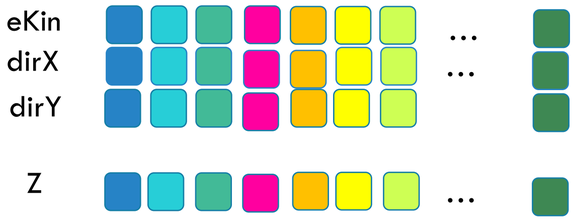

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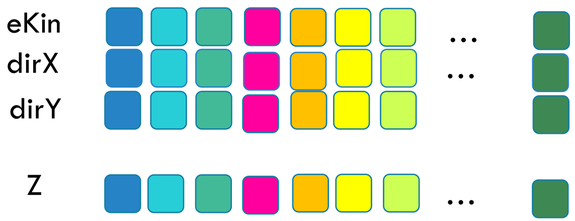

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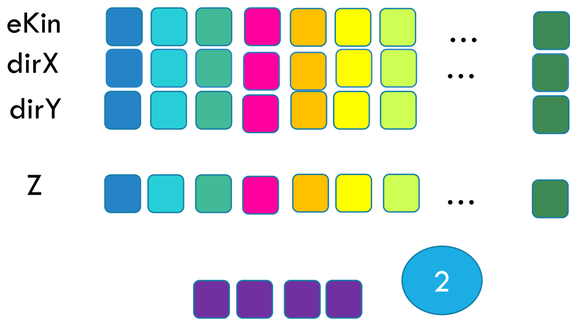

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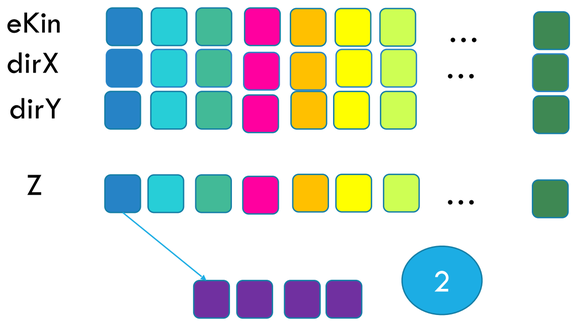

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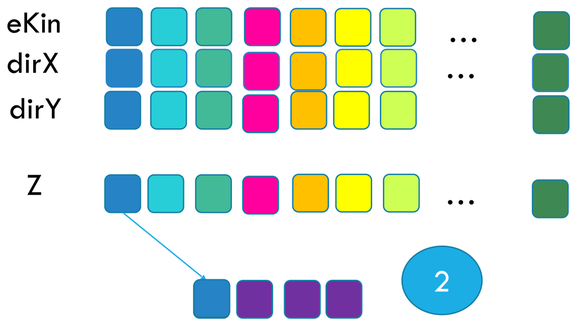

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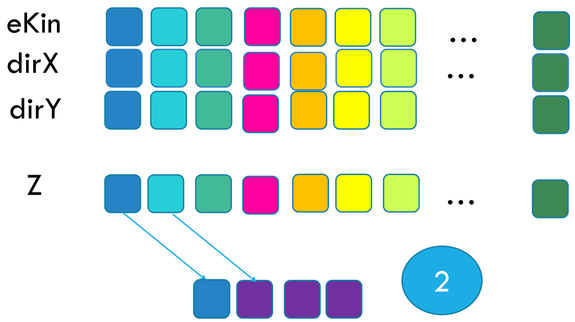

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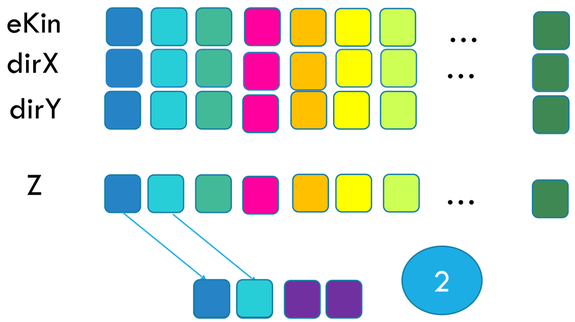

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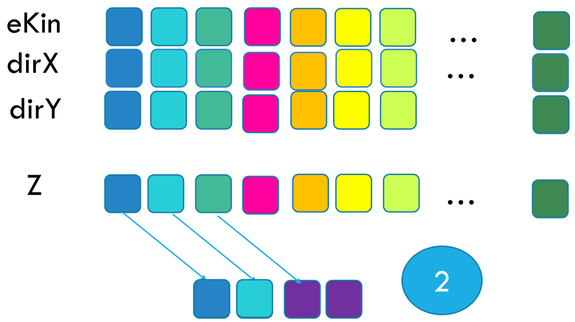

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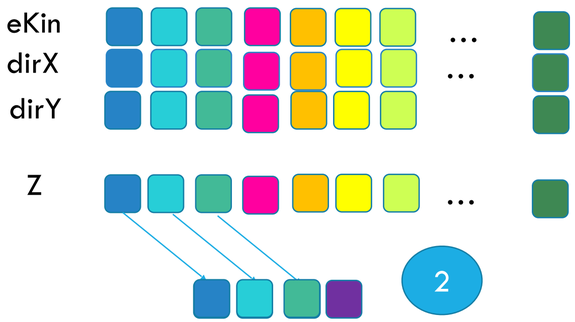

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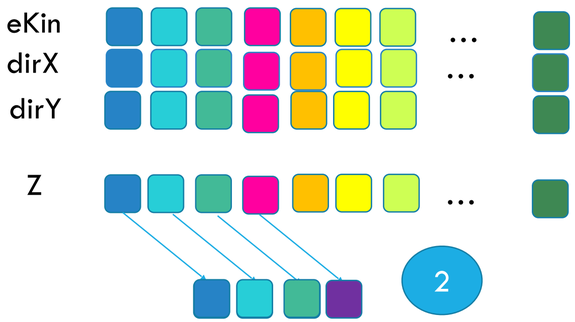

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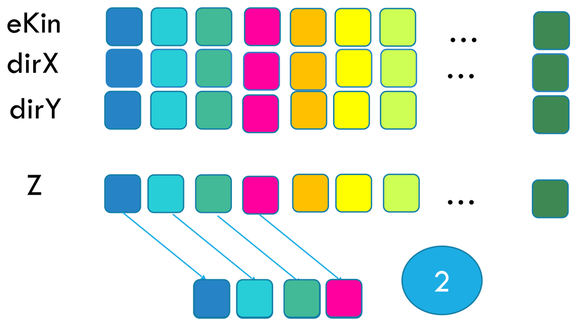

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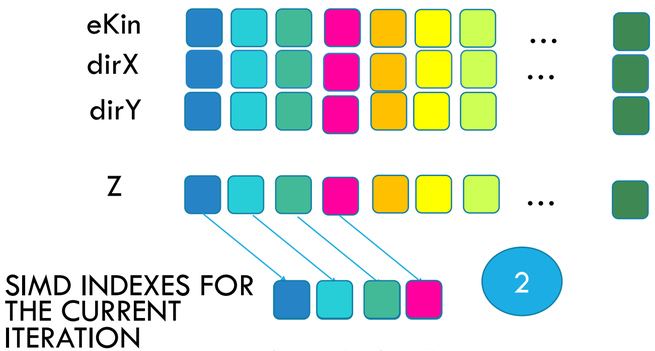

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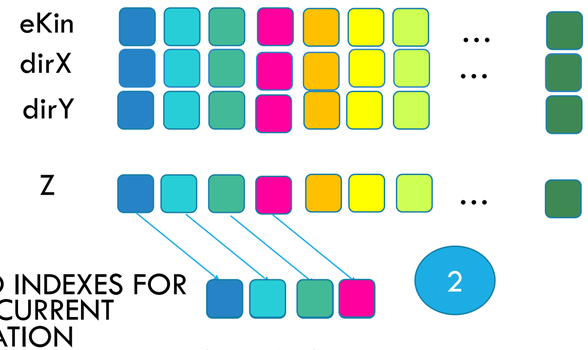

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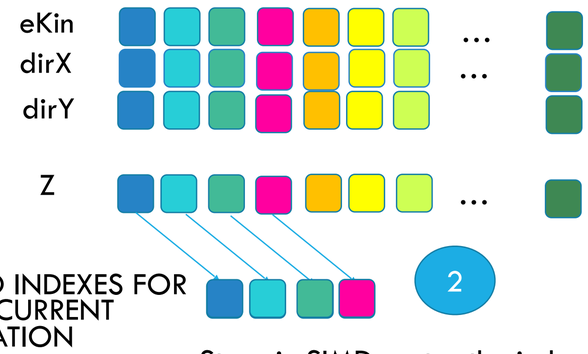

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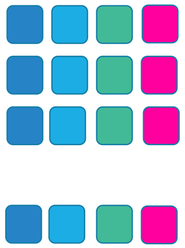

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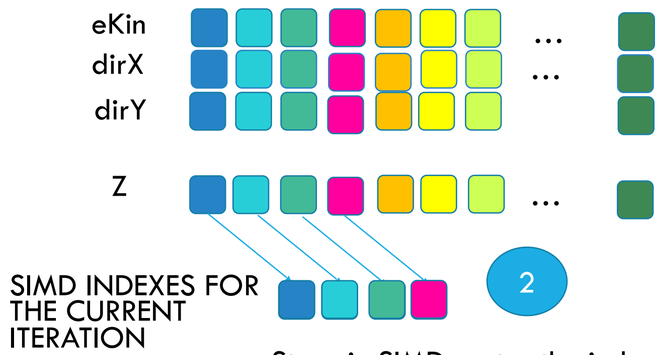

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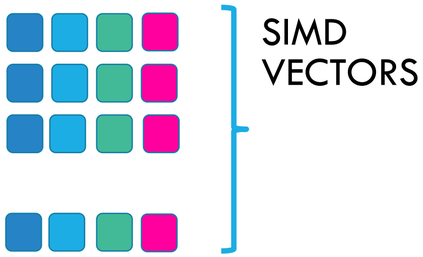

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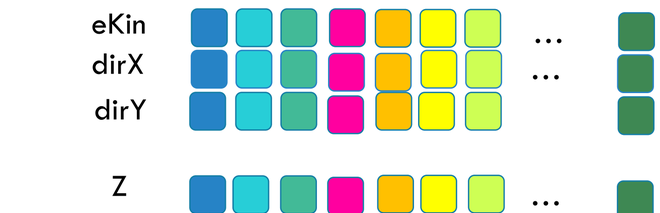

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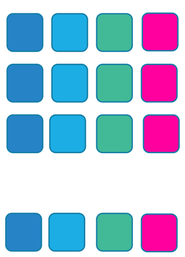

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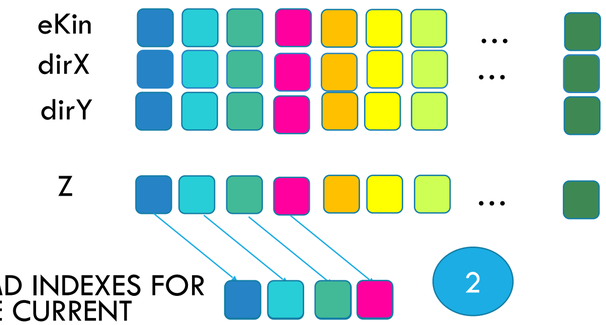

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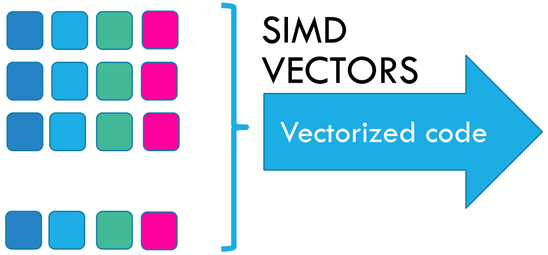

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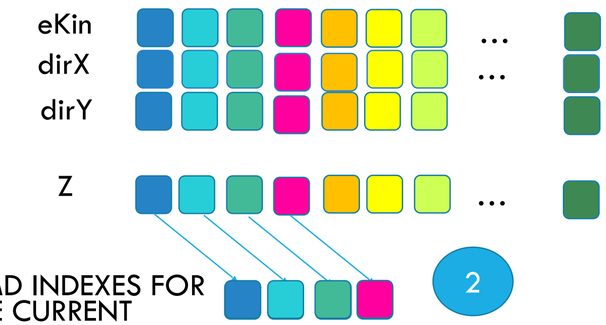

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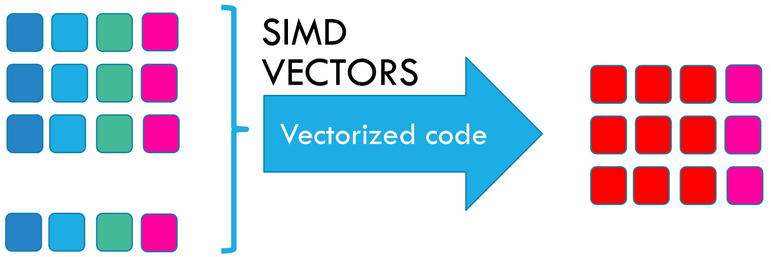

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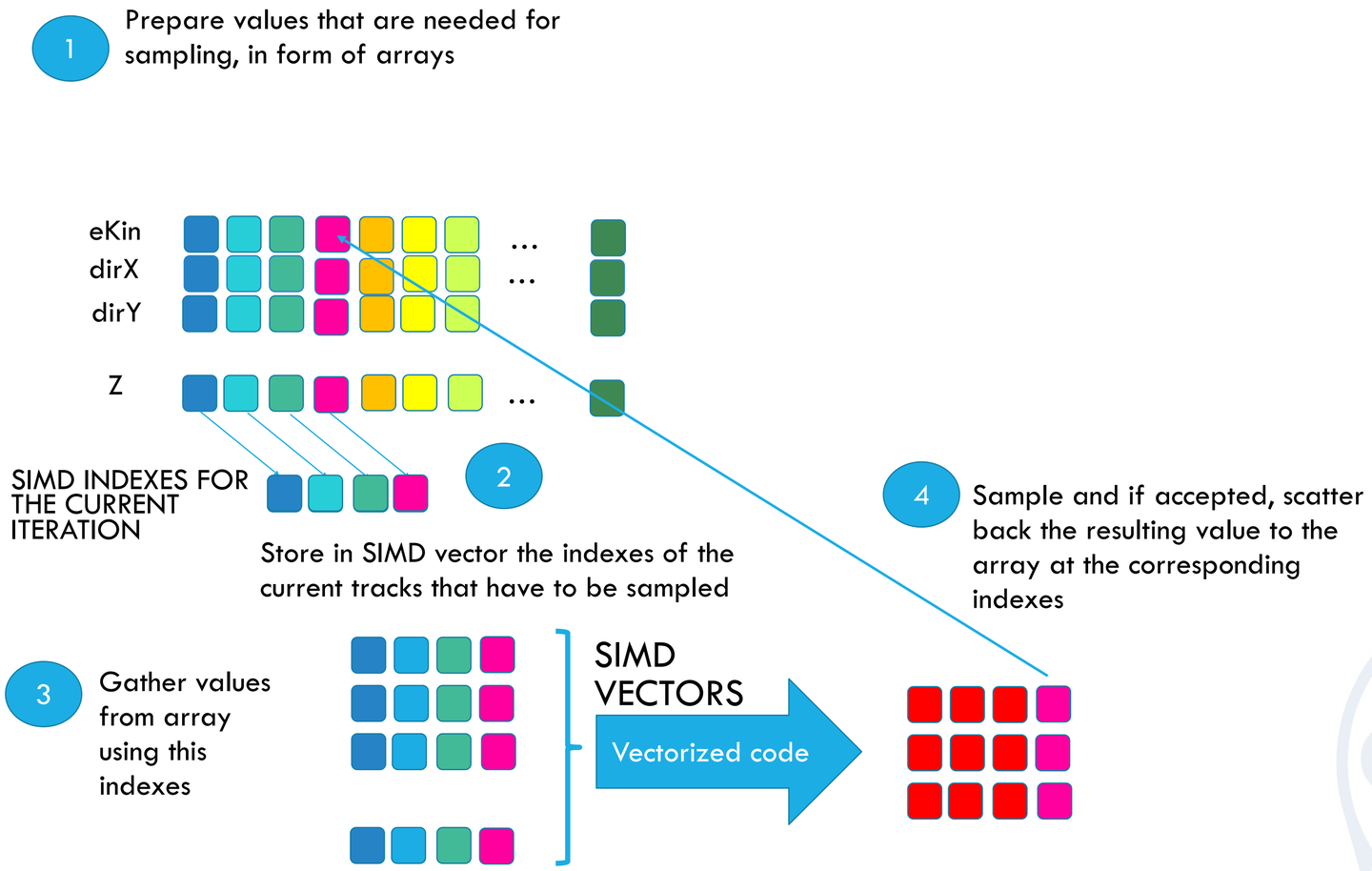

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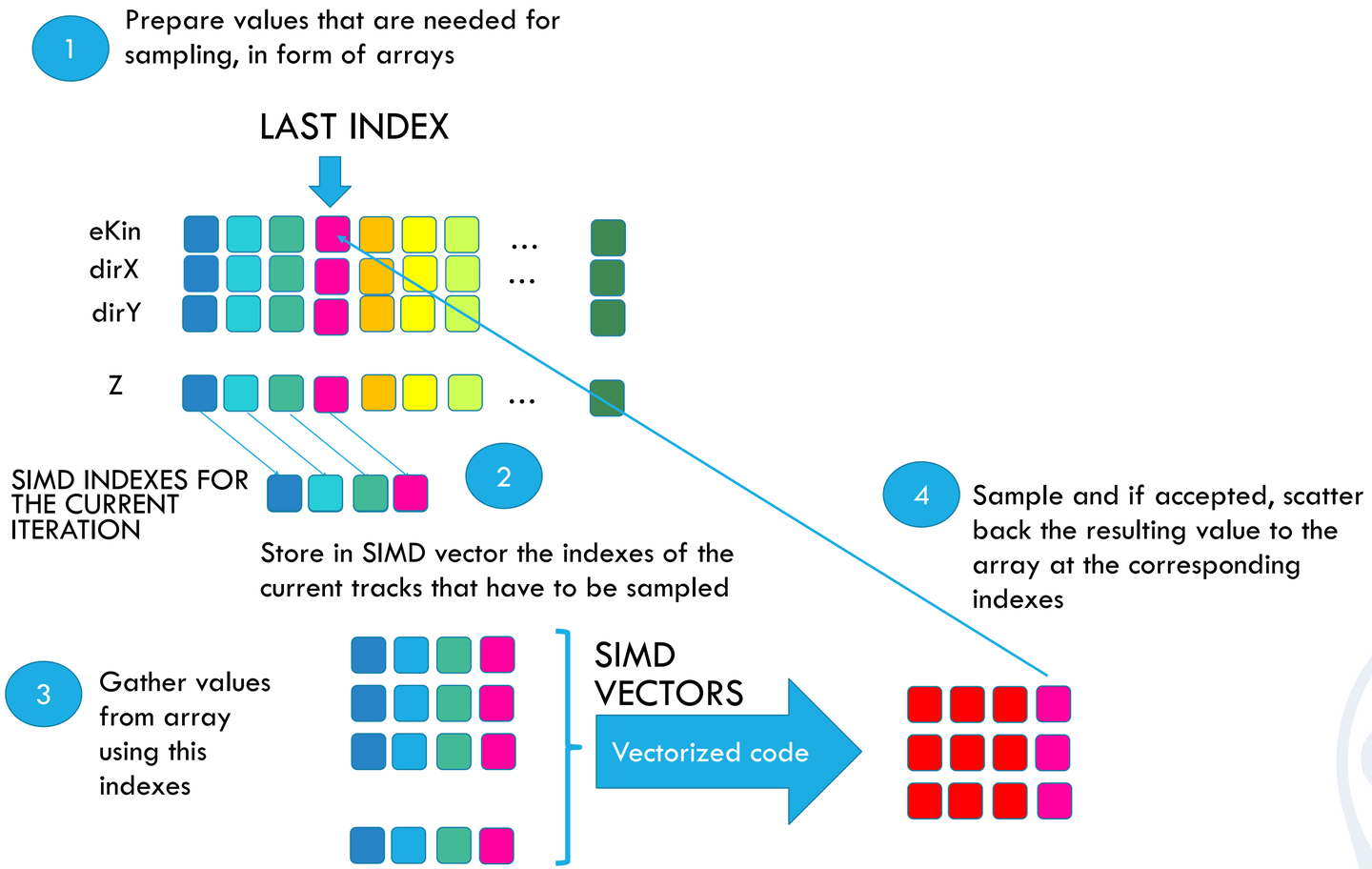

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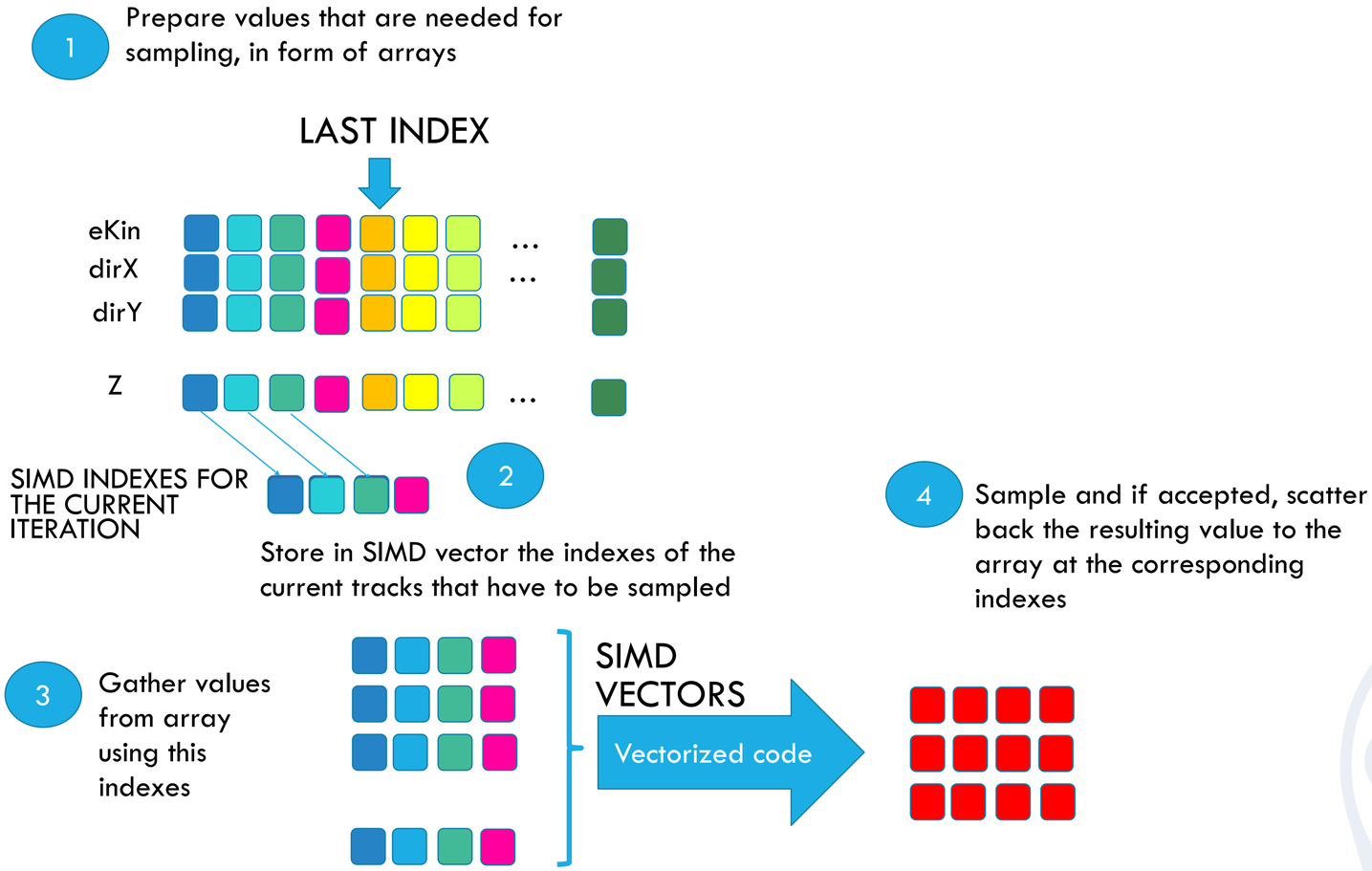

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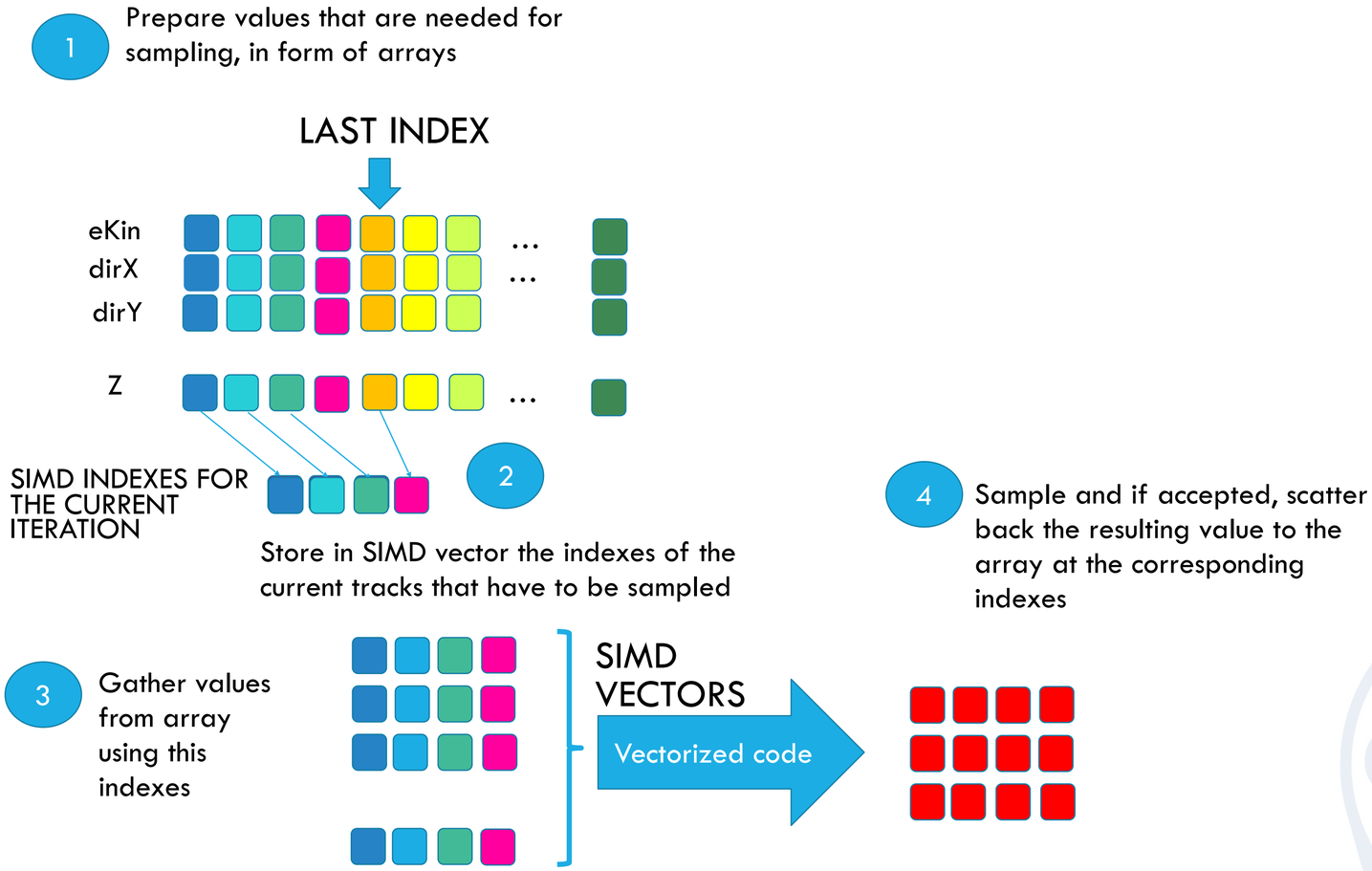

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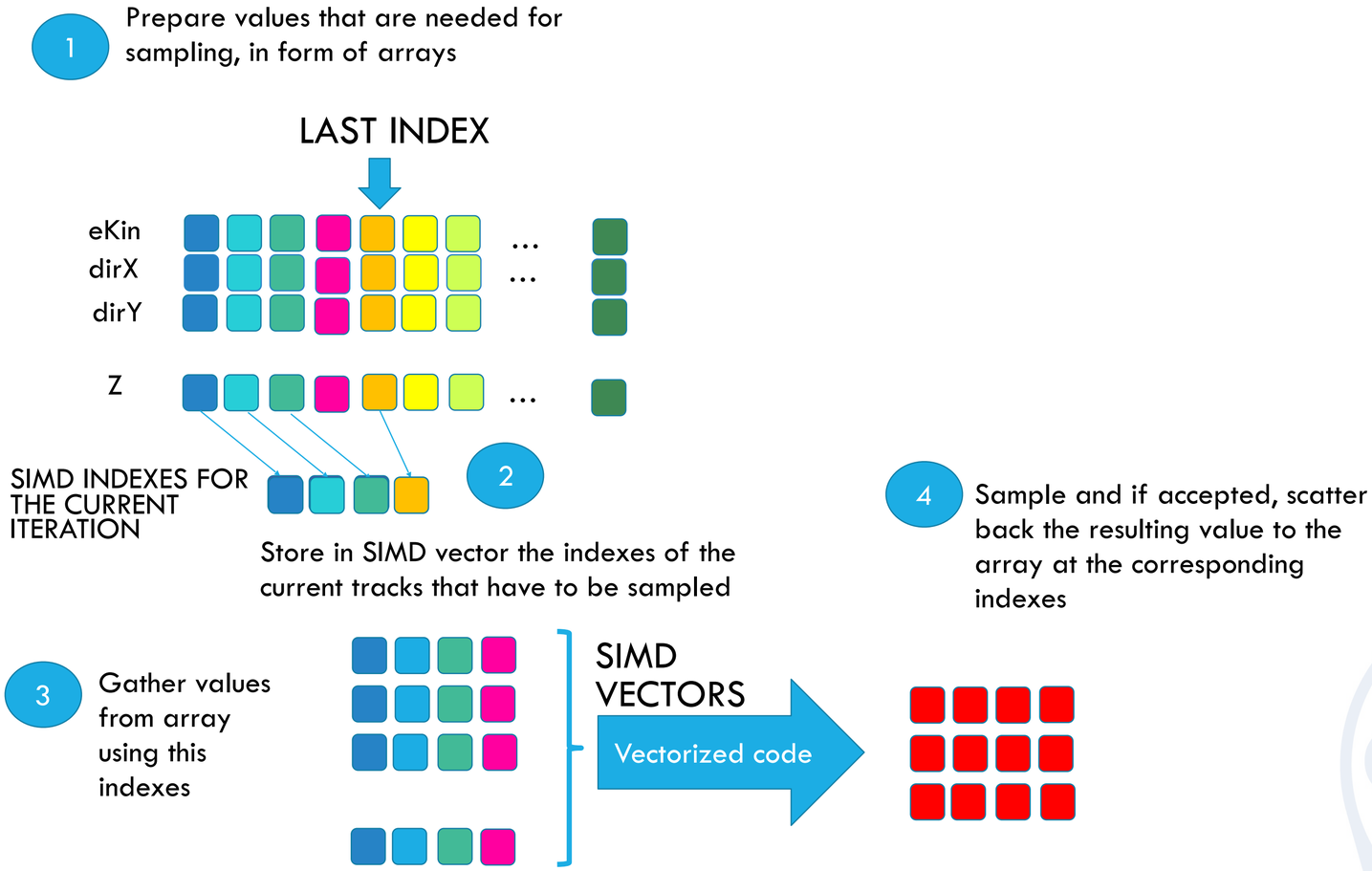

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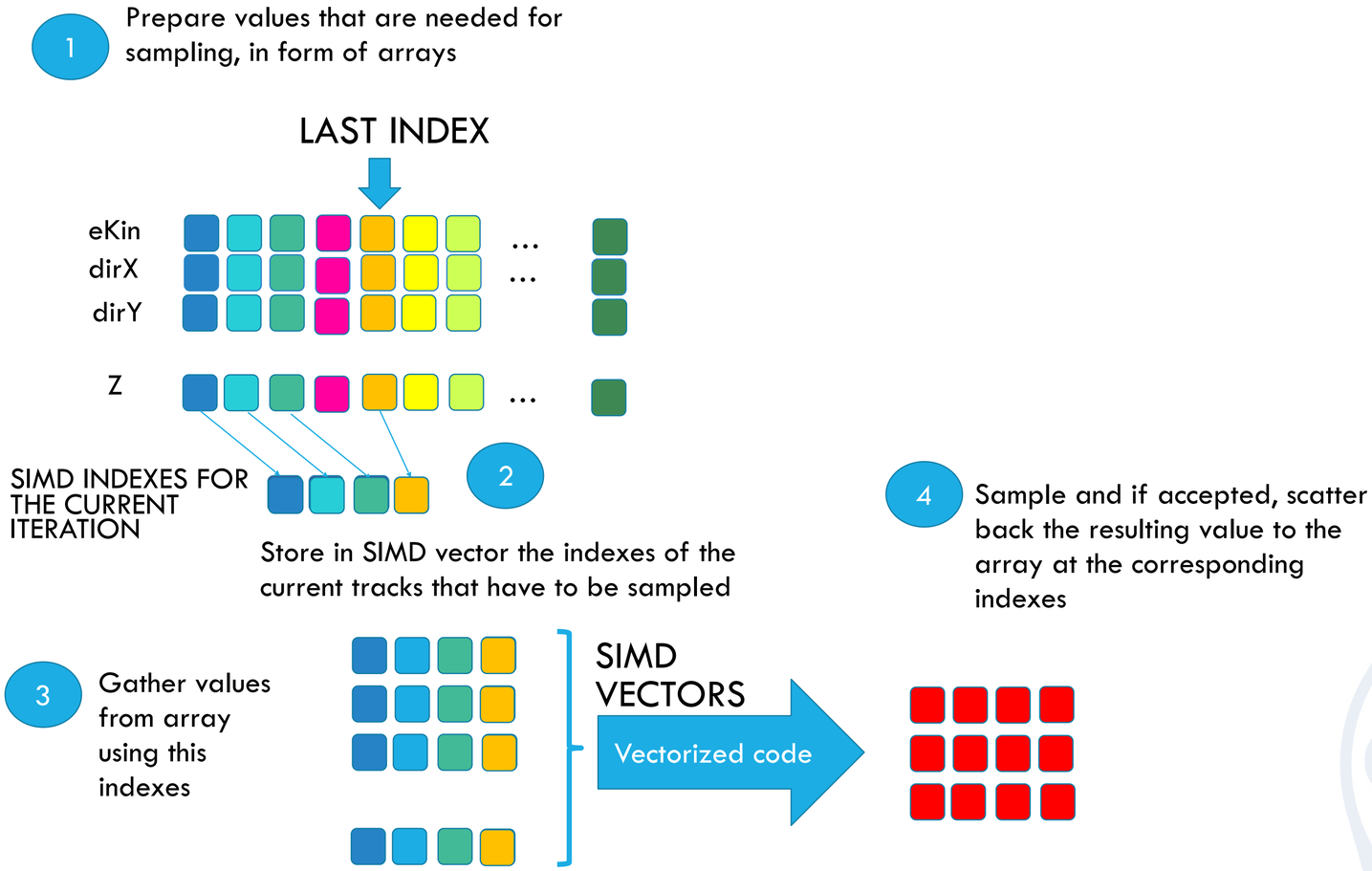

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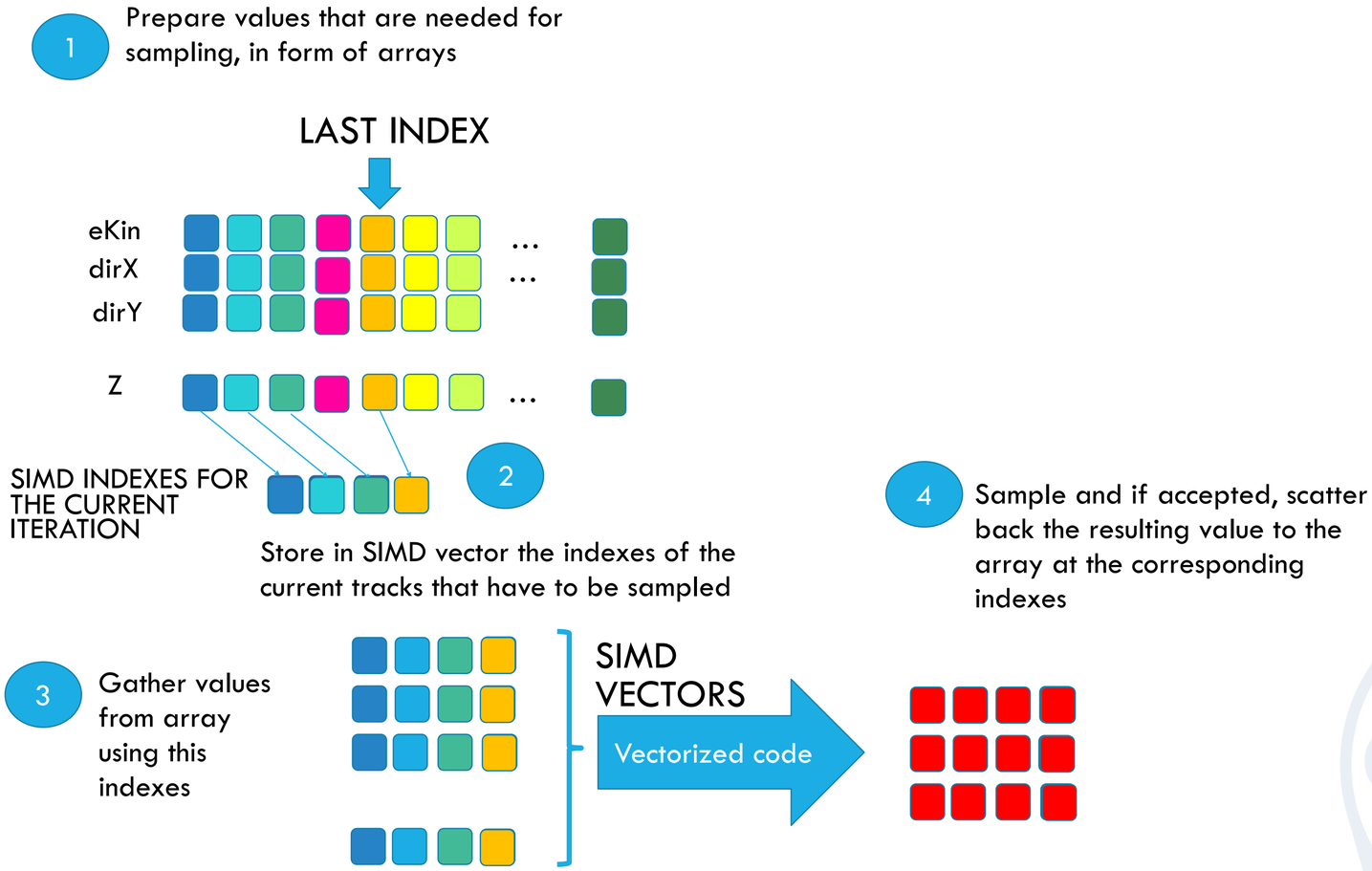

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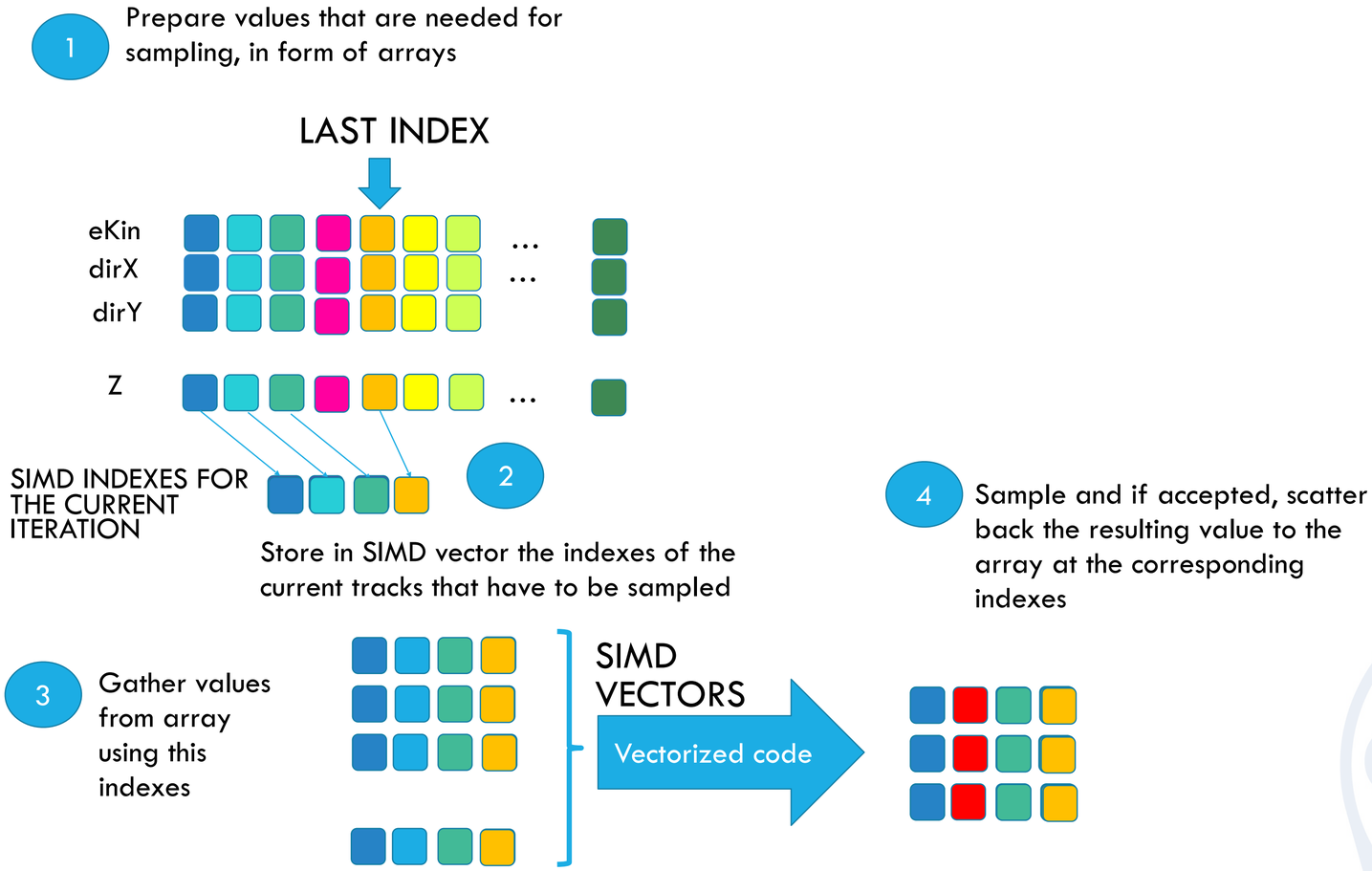

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