

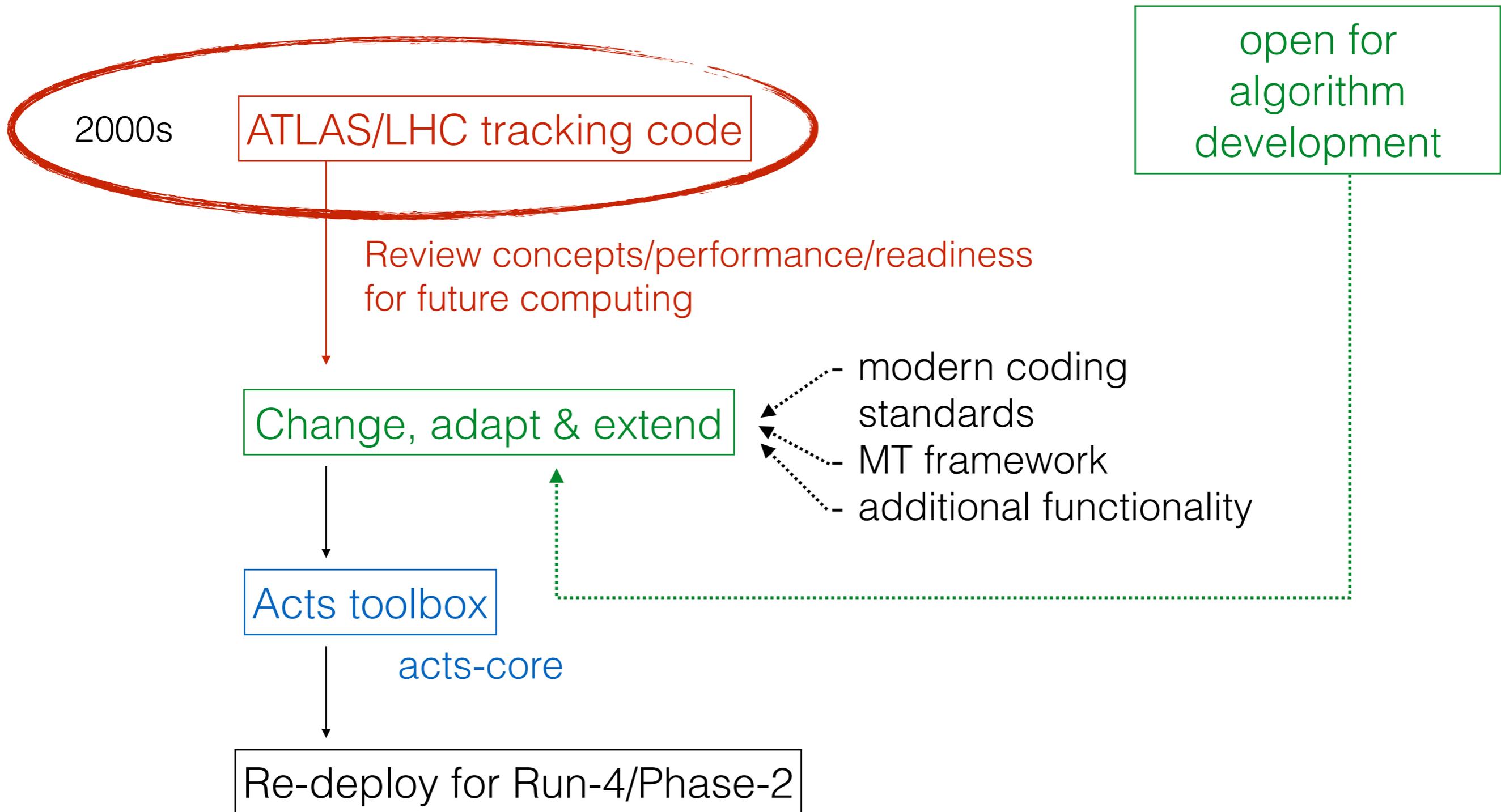
Acts Concept, Status & Plans

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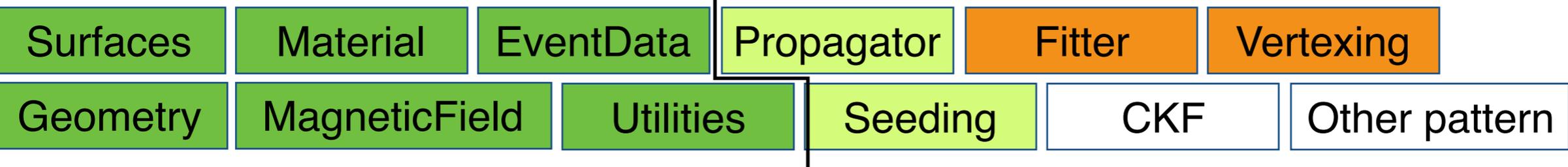
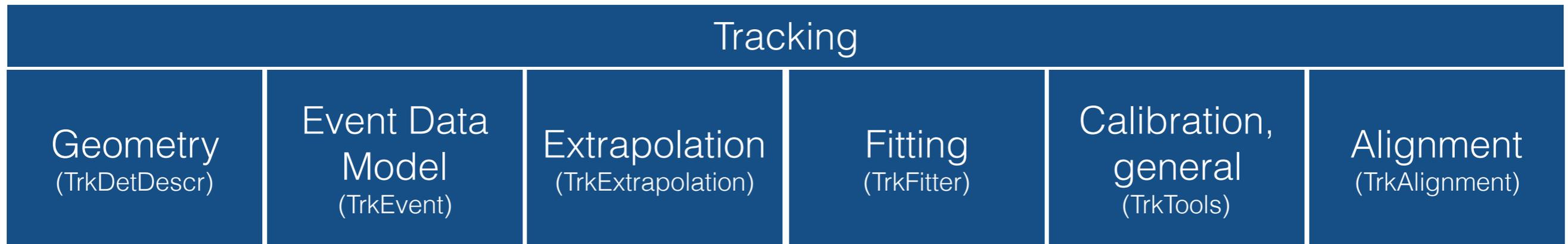
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Status Tracking code porting

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API practically frozen

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Feature completing

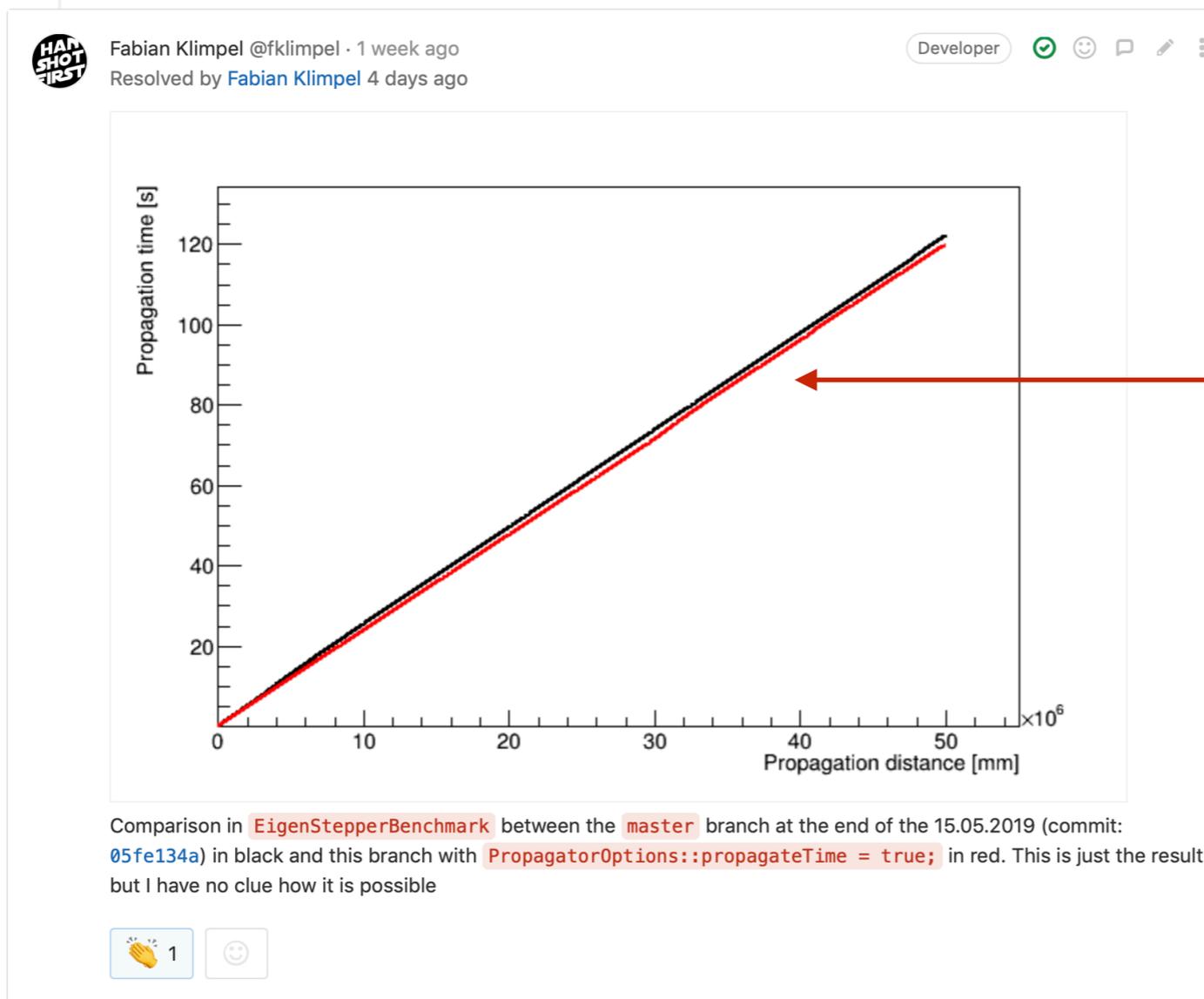
E.g., included time-component into full tracking stack

- Most of LHC code it is (whenever needed) post-fitted

Internal representation expanded from **7x7** description to **8x8**

- full time covariance transport developed (and numerically tested)
- positive impact on execution speed

$$\mathbf{q} = (l_1, l_2, \phi, \theta, q/p, t)$$



- could be better vectorisation, not confirmed yet

Getting fully MT ready the extra mile

Based on ATLAS needs developed a full contextual tracking setup

- Lumiblock based alignment for ATLAS due to IBL bowing

Not the most standard workflow, however, needs a clean solution

*In a real **MULTI**-threaded environment, several alignment or conditions might have to be in memory*

(e.g. high selective trigger stream)

Merged Opened 1 month ago by Andreas Salzburger Edit

Introduce Context object into acts-core

Closes [ACTS-568](#)

Introduce a `Context` object to deal with payload, conditions, alignment in the most flexible (and fast) manner.

There are now three `Context` objects included, two are already tested, the third, i.e. the `CalibrationContext` object needs a `KalmanFilter`, which will come soon.

`clang` build still fails due to `libcxx` inconsistency.

Edited 2 weeks ago by Andreas Salzburger

Request to merge `ACTS-568_PayloadObj...` into `master`

Pipeline #767312 passed with warnings for `c1434d86` on `ACTS-568_PayloadObj...`
Coverage 67.00%

Merge request approved
Approved by

Merged by Andreas Salzburger 2 days ago [Revert](#) [Cherry-pick](#)

The changes were merged into `master` with `13d76c1a`

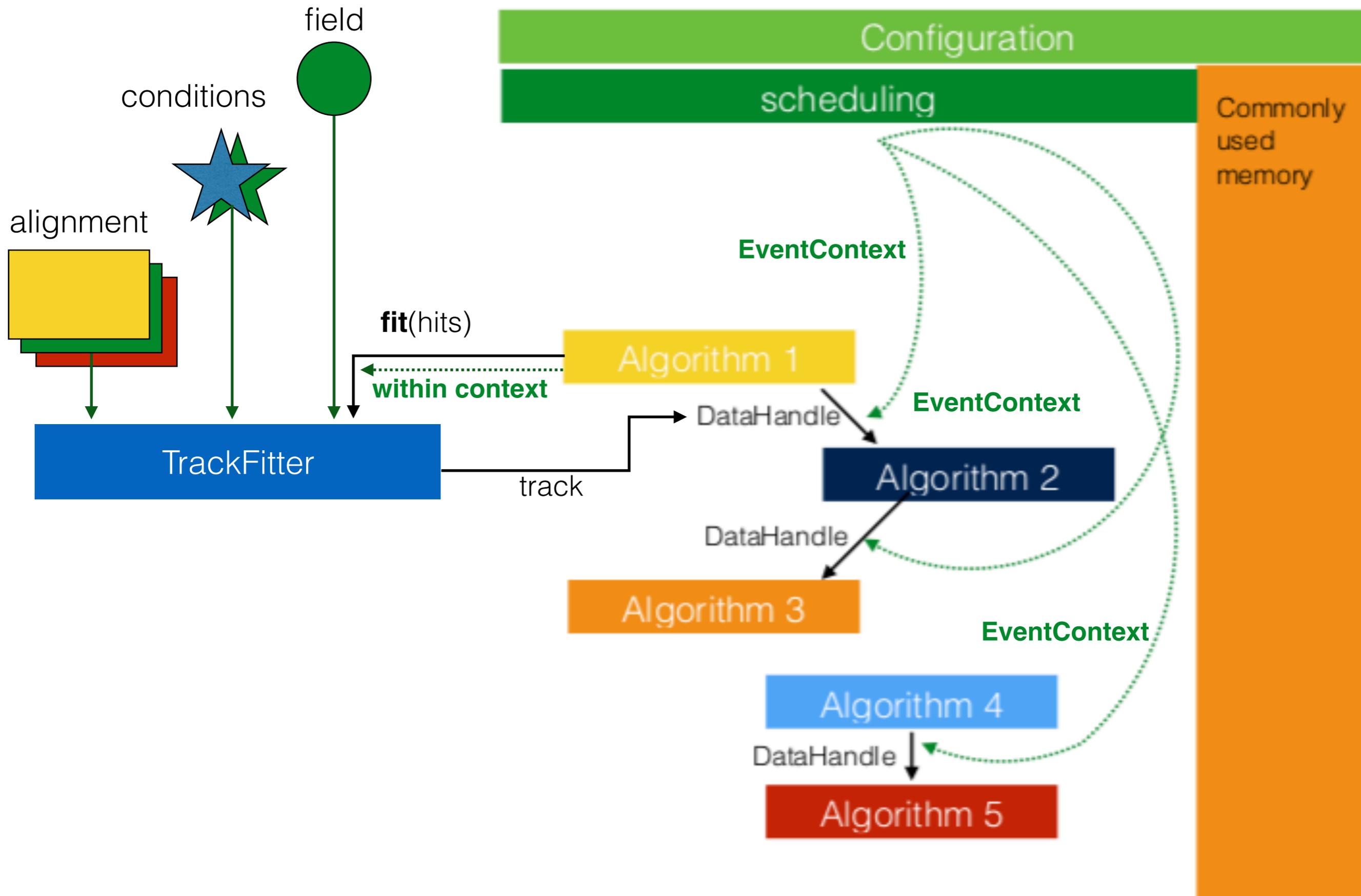
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Closed [ACTS-568](#)

239 changed files
4054 additions 3826 deletions

large scale update
for MT capability

Contextual Tracking The "clean" solution



ACTS with Context

Introduced context objects in **acts-core** & testes in **acts-framework**

- nomen est omen

```
/// Aggregated information to run one algorithm over one event.
```

```
struct AlgorithmContext
```

```
{  
    size_t          algorithmNumber;    ///< Unique algorithm identifier  
    size_t          eventNumber;       ///< Unique event identifier  
    WhiteBoard&     eventStore;        ///< Per-event data store  
    Acts::GeometryContext geoContext;  ///< Per-event geometry context  
    Acts::MagneticFieldContext magFieldContext; ///< Per-event magnetic Field context  
    Acts::CalibrationContext calibContext; ///< Per-event calibration context  
};
```

While they are untouched in **acts-core** and simply defined as

```
#pragma once
```

```
/// Set the identifier PLUGIN
```

```
#ifdef ACTS_CORE_GEOMETRYCONTEXT_PLUGIN
```

```
#include ACTS_CORE_GEOMETRYCONTEXT_PLUGIN
```

```
#else
```

```
#include <any>
```

```
namespace Acts {
```

```
using GeometryContext = std::any;
```

```
using DefaultGeometryContext = GeometryContext;
```

```
} // namespace Acts
```

```
#endif
```

← can even be
overloaded

Parallelism testbed

Test with different alignment every single event

```
salzburg$ export ACTSFW_NUM_THREADS=1
salzburg$ ./ACTFWAlignablePropagationExample -n10 --prop-ntests 1000 --bf-values 0 0 2 --output-root 1
12:49:10 Sequencer INFO Added context decorator GeometryRotationDecorator
12:49:10 Sequencer INFO Added service RandomNumbersSvc
12:49:10 Sequencer INFO Appended algorithm PropagationAlgorithm
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO Added writer RootPropagationStepsWriter
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO Starting event loop for
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO 1 services
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO 0 readers
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO 1 writers
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO 1 algorithms
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO Run the event loop
12:49:11 Sequencer INFO start event 0
12:49:12 Sequencer INFO event 0 done
12:49:12 Sequencer INFO start event 1
12:49:13 Sequencer INFO event 1 done
12:49:13 Sequencer INFO start event 2
12:49:14 Sequencer INFO event 2 done
12:49:14 Sequencer INFO start event 3
12:49:15 Sequencer INFO event 3 done
12:49:15 Sequencer INFO start event 4
12:49:16 Sequencer INFO event 4 done
12:49:16 Sequencer INFO start event 5
12:49:17 Sequencer INFO event 5 done
12:49:17 Sequencer INFO start event 6
12:49:19 Sequencer INFO event 6 done
12:49:19 Sequencer INFO start event 7
12:49:19 Sequencer INFO event 7 done
12:49:19 Sequencer INFO start event 8
12:49:20 Sequencer INFO event 8 done
12:49:20 Sequencer INFO start event 9
12:49:22 Sequencer INFO event 9 done
12:49:22 Sequencer INFO Running end-of-run hooks of writers and services

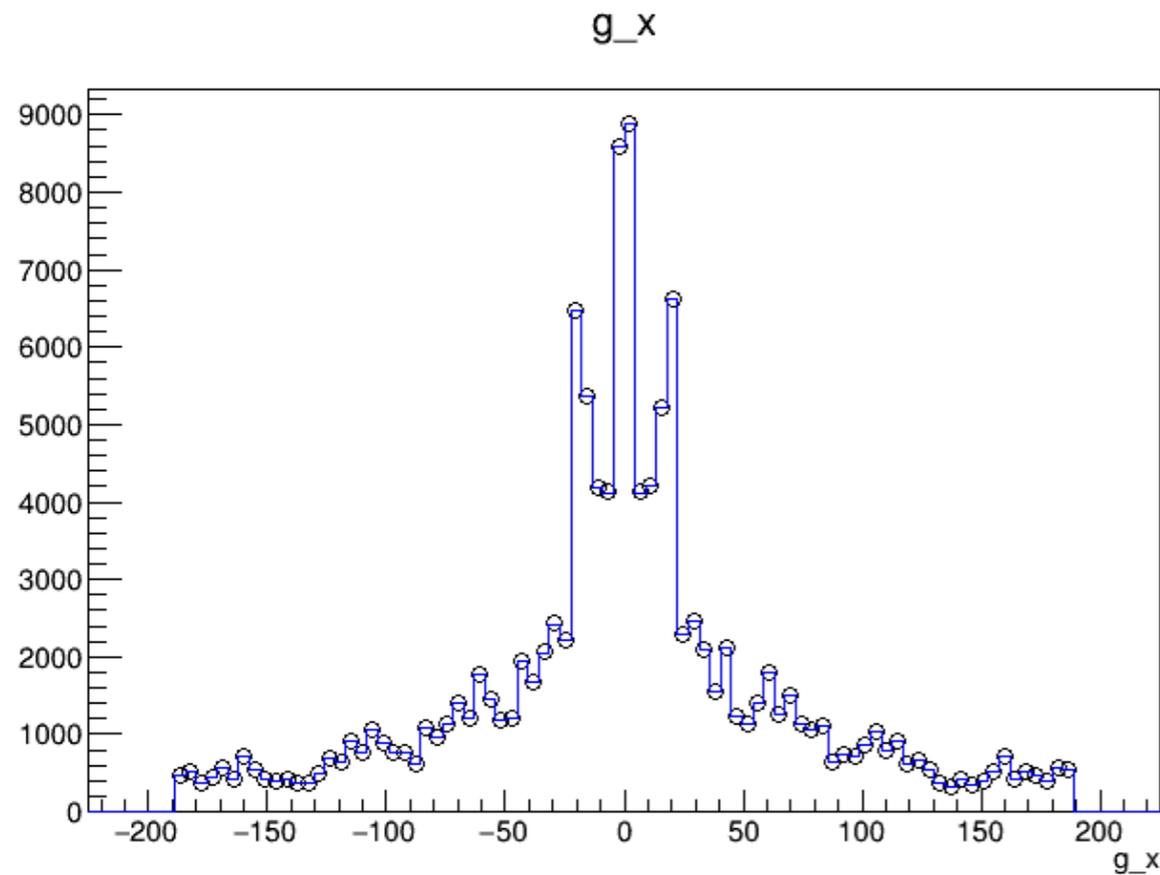
salzburg$ export ACTSFW_NUM_THREADS=4
12:51:19 Sequencer INFO start event 0
12:51:19 Sequencer INFO start event 5
12:51:19 Sequencer INFO start event 8
12:51:19 Sequencer INFO start event 7
12:51:20 Sequencer INFO event 7 done
12:51:20 Sequencer INFO start event 2
12:51:21 Sequencer INFO event 8 done
12:51:21 Sequencer INFO start event 9
12:51:21 Sequencer INFO event 5 done
12:51:21 Sequencer INFO start event 6
12:51:21 Sequencer INFO event 0 done
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12:51:22 Sequencer INFO start event 3
12:51:23 Sequencer INFO event 9 done
12:51:23 Sequencer INFO start event 4
12:51:23 Sequencer INFO event 6 done
12:51:23 Sequencer INFO event 1 done
12:51:23 Sequencer INFO event 3 done
12:51:24 Sequencer INFO event 4 done
```

12 seconds

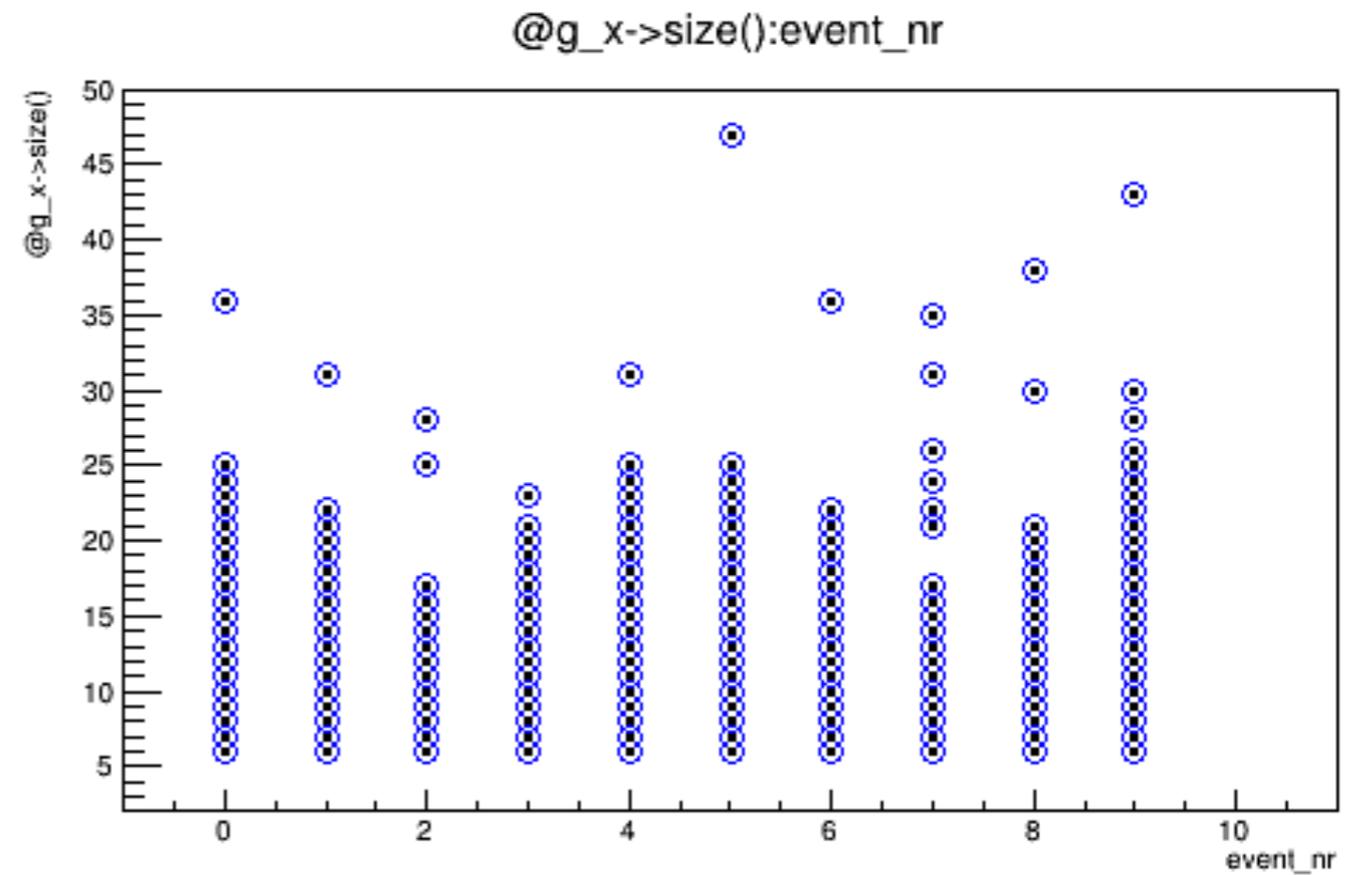
5 seconds

GeometryContext Comparing the two

Total comparison:



Per event comparison:



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```
salzburg$ export ACTSFW_NUM_THREADS=4
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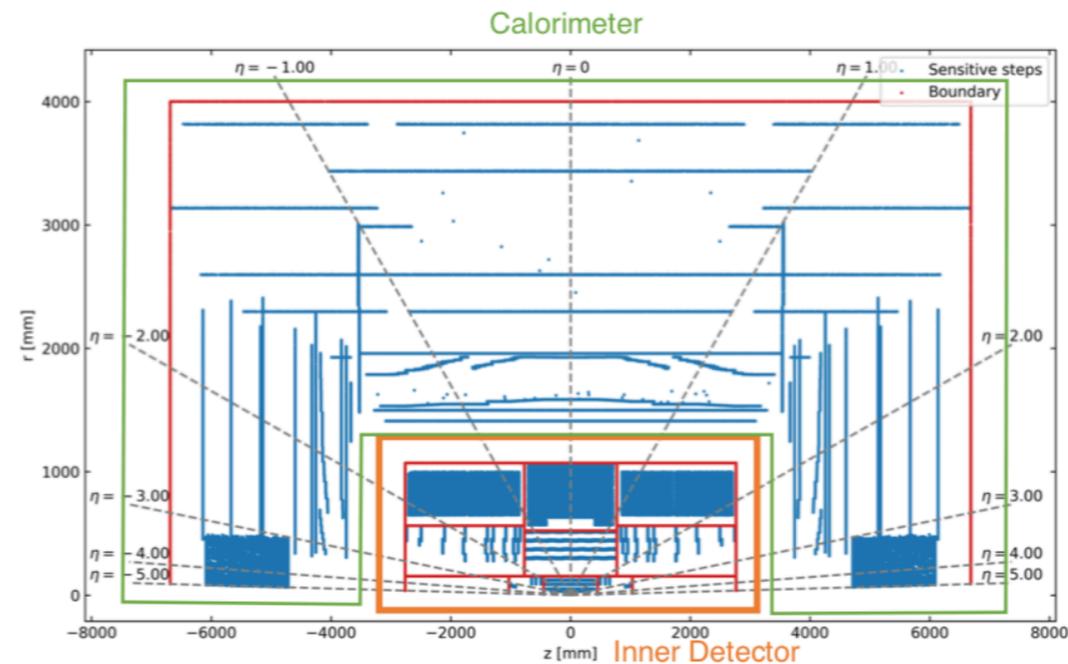
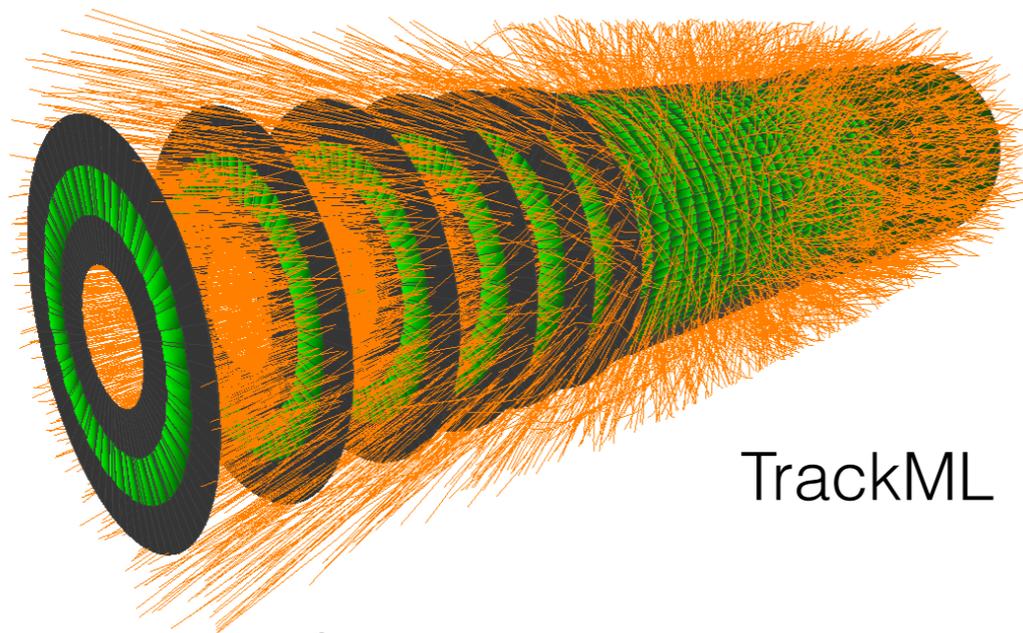
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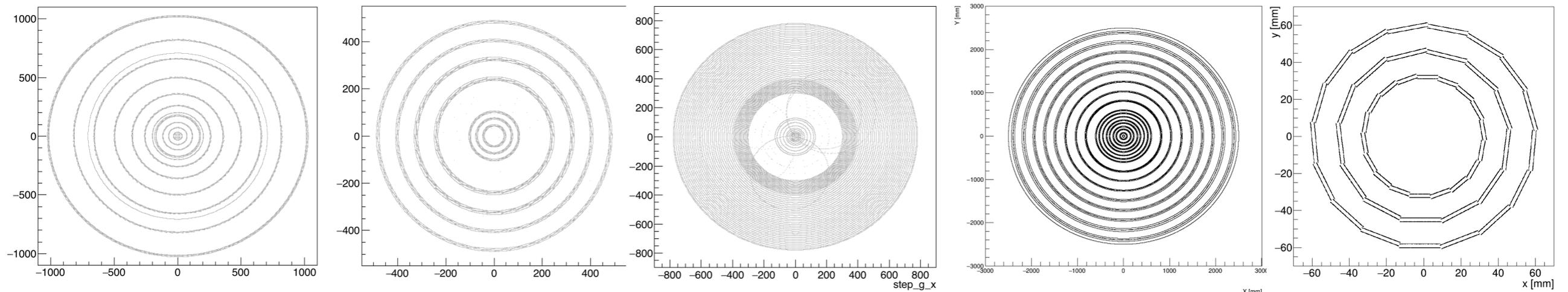
TrackML Aftermath

Started to port first TrackML algorithms into **acts-framework**

- Idea is to create a testbed for algorithm development and templating
- provide several detectors to test on



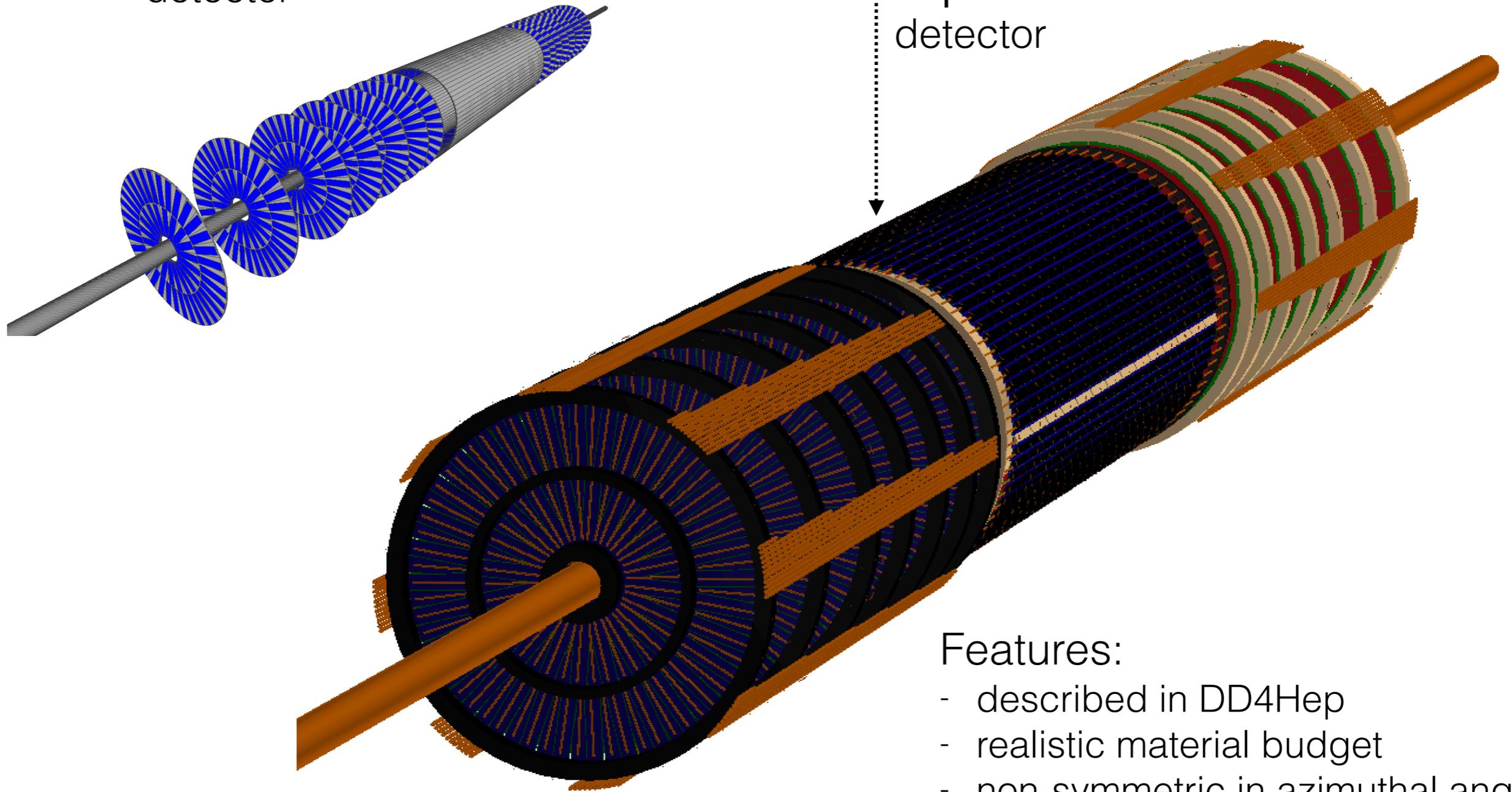
A bunch of other detectors:



OpenData Detector

TrackML Pixel
detector

OpenData Pixel
detector



Features:

- described in DD4Hep
- realistic material budget
- non-symmetric in azimuthal angle
- full (G4) and fast (ACTS) simulation
- misalignment possibility

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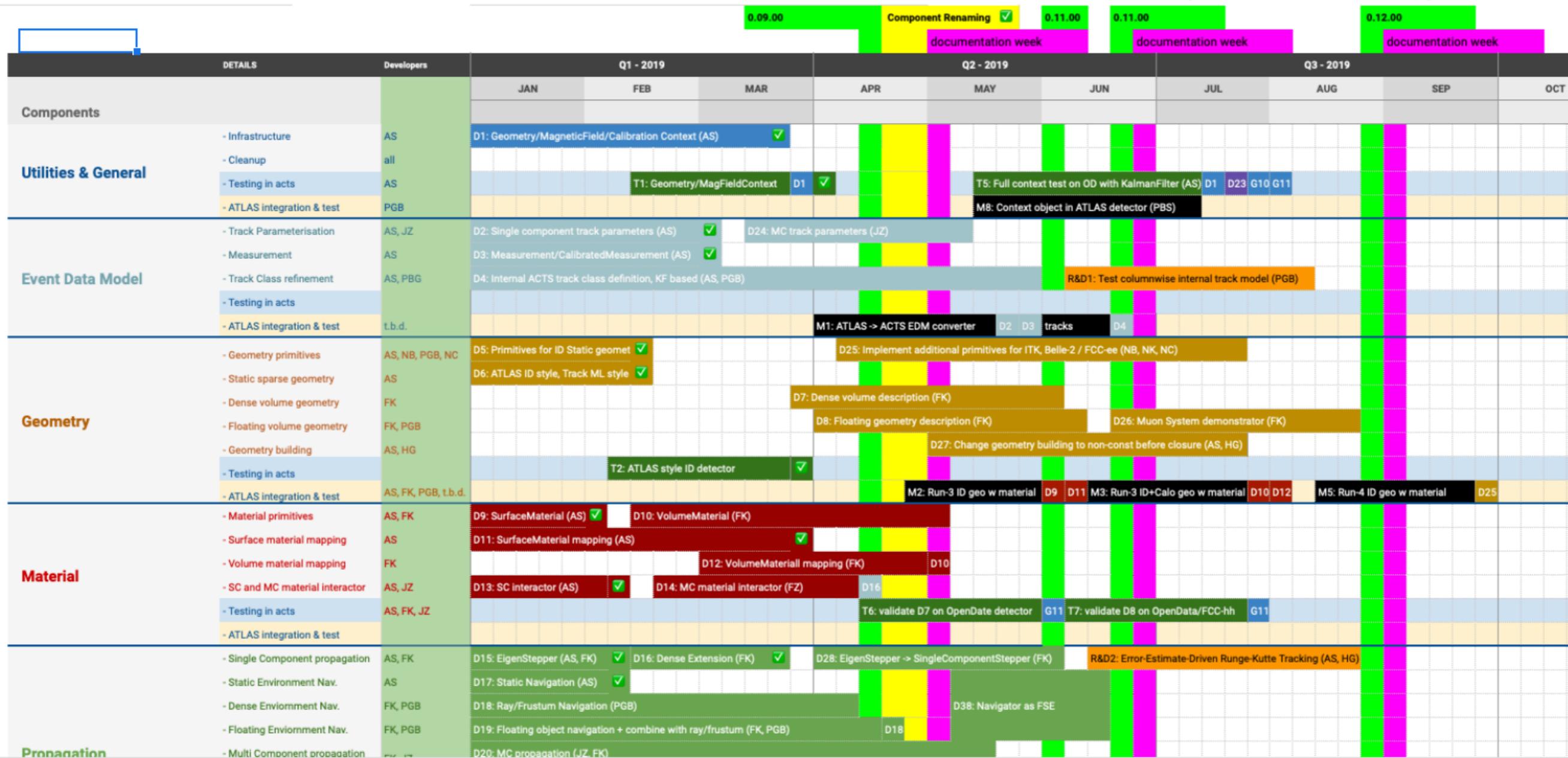
freeze geometry & EDM API

freeze propagation API

ACTS PROJECT TIMELINE

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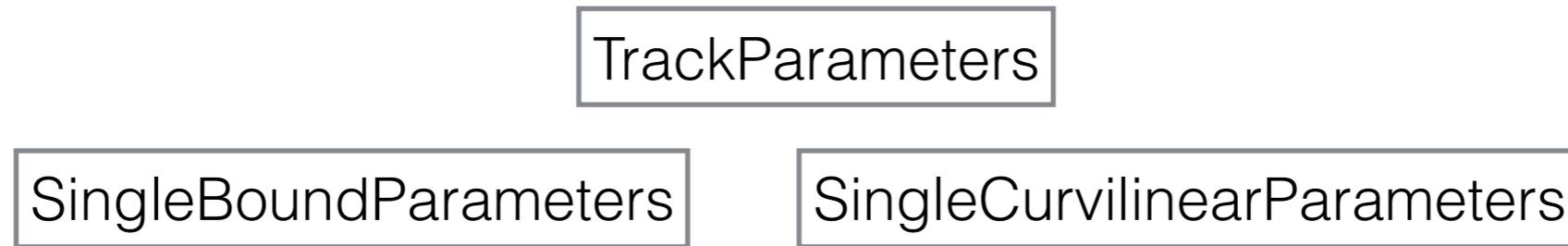
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started geometry
building & extrapolation

Backup

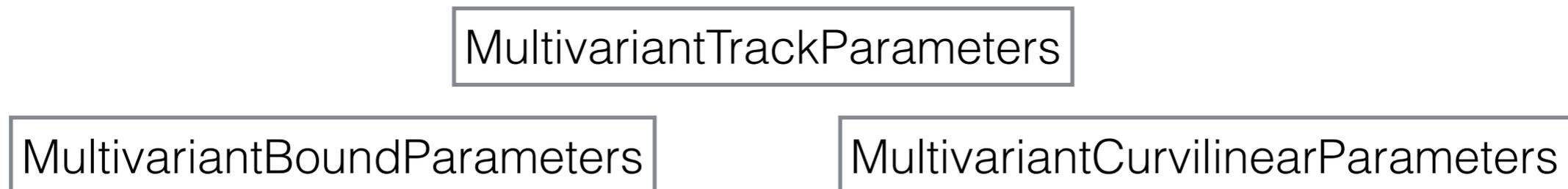
Event Data Model Track Parameters



Extension for Multi Component representation

- avoid copying of Extrapolator (as done in ATLAS) and Fitter infrastructure for multi-variant fitters (MultiTrackFitter, GSF)

act as single track parameters in navigation, but will be propagated as multiple components in between

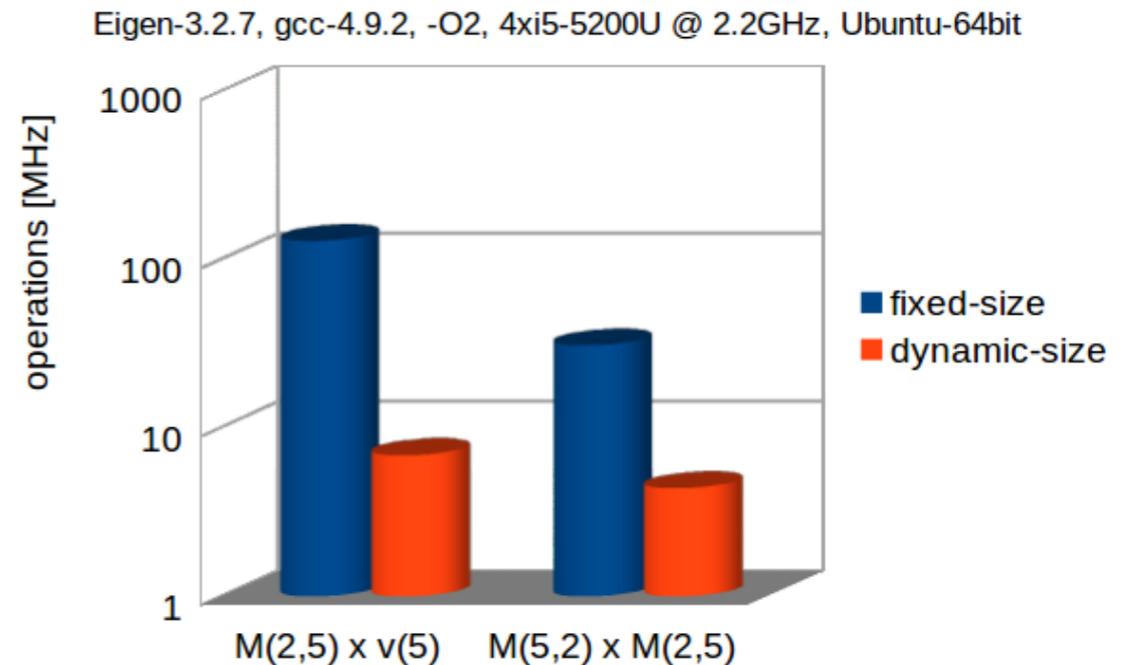


Event Data Model Measurements

Fixed size matrix operations are evidently faster

- Acts EDM uses fixed-size
- needs container for heterogenous measurements:

e.g. PixelCluster (2D), StripCluster (1D), Segment (4D), how to combine them in a track class or containers ?



currently using `std::variant<>`

Investigating a more xAOD type storage in the background (MR open for testing)

Status Binding to detector software & framework

Acts designed to have minimal overhead when being integrated in detector software

Algebra library is Eigen but dependencies are minimal

- may change to a template implementation (if beneficial)

No dependency on Identifier

- Detector calibration is resolved in detector geometry

Screen logging can be replaced by Id pre-loading

- needs a simple struct on the detector framework side that provides a `logger()` method.
- **tested with different loggers:**
 - Acts logger in acts-framework
 - Gaudi logger within FCCSW

Status Binding to framework configuration

ACTS tools have a nested configuration struct:

```
namespace Acts {  
  /// doxygen documentation  
  class WorkHorse {  
    /// @struct Config for To  
    struct Config {  
      float coatColor; ///  
      float maxPath;    ///  
    };  
  };  
}
```

These structs are then configured by the detector framework,
e.g. through Gaudi/Athena

```
/// feed from Framework into ACTS configuration  
declareProperty("CoatColor", m_cfg.coatColor);  
declareProperty("MaxPath",    m_cfg.maxPath);
```

tested with Gaudi for FCCSW & AthenaMT

Configuration Strategy

Nested configuration struct by convention

```
namespace Acts {  
  /// doxygen documentation  
  class SomeComponent {  
    /// @struct Config for this Component  
    struct Config {  
      bool run_faster = false; ///  
    };  
    /// Constructor with config object  
    SomeComponent(Config& cfg);  
  };  
}
```

Inside the framework Wrapper

```
#include "ACTS/Package/SomeComponent.hpp"  
  
...  
  /// create the config struct  
  Acts::SomeComponent::Config scConfig;  
  
  /// bind to your framework configuration  
  declareProperty("RunFastVersion", scConfig.run_faster);  
  Acts::SomeComponent sc(scConfig);
```

Concurrency Strategy

const-correctness

- Remove every use of "mutable" in ACTS
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statelessness engines

- cache visitor pattern for calls that need to run concurrently

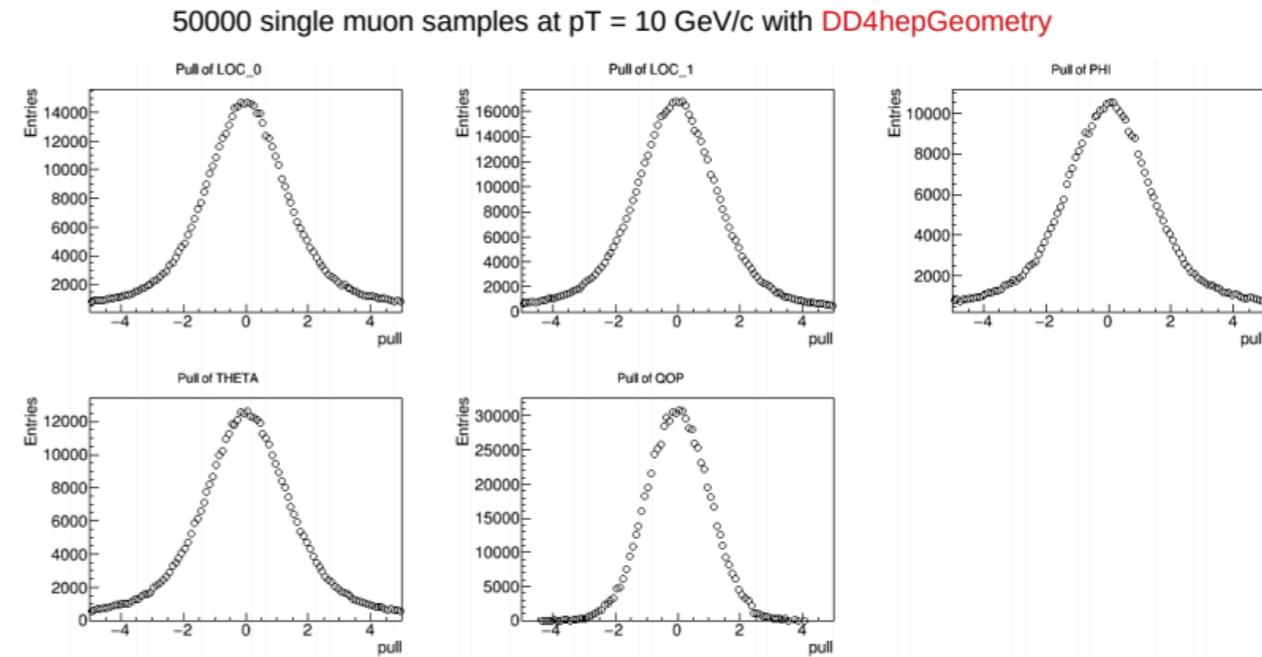
```
namespace Acts {  
    /// doxygen documentation  
    class WorkHorse {  
        /// @struct Cache for the WorkHorse  
        struct State {  
            float accumulatedPath = 0.; ///< the passed path so far  
        };  
        /// method to make the horse run  
        /// @param hState - cache tracker for this horse  
        /// @param coords - place where the horse should run to  
        /// @return a result, horse may drop dead if max path is reached  
        const RunResult run(State& hState, const Vector3D& coords) const;  
    };  
}
```

Fitter Development & Validation

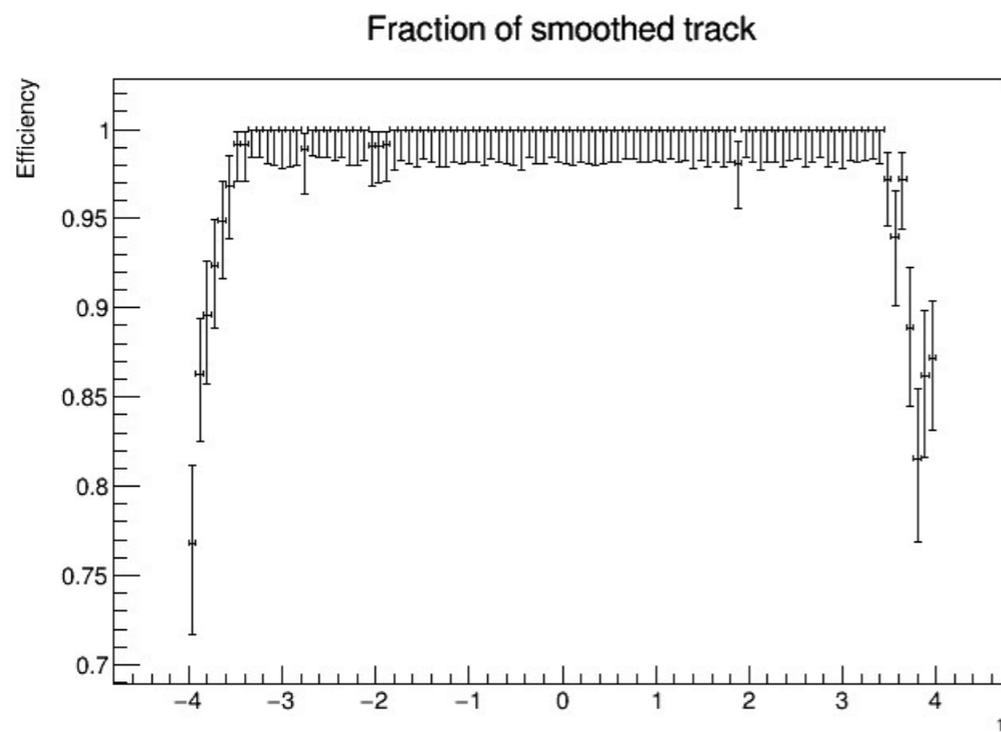
KalmanFitter prototype in validation currently

- multi-step validation program
 - *maths*
 - *material effects*
 - *transport*
 - *hole search*
- should exercise the full contextual chain including calibration

Pull distribution



Pull of track parameter



Pulls have Gaussian(0,1) distributions when track is almost perpendicular to plane surface

