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**Jagged Array Structure** 

#### THE PROBLEM

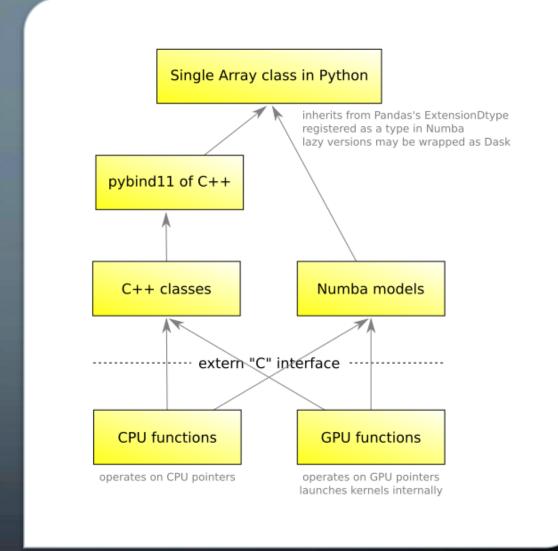
- Particle physics data is too complicated for normal coding libraries
- Awkward Arrays supports less conventional types/functions using Python
  - Easier to work with
  - JIT (just in time) compilation => slow to run



#### THE SOLUTION

- Implement Awkward Arrays in C++!
  - Pre-compiled => usually much faster speeds
- Pybind11 allows C++ code to compile into
   Python binaries
- End product: a Python library that's precompiled, written in C++

### NEW PROJECT ARCHITECTURE



Made by Jim Pivarski (thanks Jim, I'm stealing your diagram)

#### IMPLEMENTING C >> C++ >> PYTHON

- C is a bit more difficult than C++
  - No templates
  - No overloaded functions
  - No classes
  - No exceptions
  - No booleans
- Keeping C methods clean of memory management
- Ultimately, not too bad

#### "FINAL" PRODUCT

- A solid basis for Awkward 1.0 (the new architecture)
- Many hours and 5000+ lines of code worth of troubleshooting, research, and experience
- A JaggedArray class in C++/C which functions independently from awkwardarray and contain ZERO Python code

