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IAS mini-workshop Software for e+e- colliders

Concluding Discussion

- Representatives from all four e+e- collider projects were present (CEPC,CLIC,FCC,ILC).
- general agreement to continue the collaboration on common software tools (Key4hep)
 - addressing the needs of all four communities
- discussion about the next steps that are necessary to make progress
- see also slides:
 - http://ias.ust.hk/program/shared_doc/2020/202001hep/workshop/exp/20200117_1038_pm_Gerri%20GANIS_Xingtao_HUANG.pdf
 - http://ias.ust.hk/program/shared_doc/2020/202001hep/workshop/exp/20200117_1038_pm_Paolo_GIACOMELLI.pdf

Framework

- identified the need to quickly get a first version of Key4hep with a core component and a data service based on EDM4hep

concrete steps

- setup a mailing list
- start to have regular meetings for Key4hep
- setup a Key4hep project in Github
- add some initial packages there:
 - FWCore
 - * Spack configurations: core + experiment specific (FCC,CEPC,ILD,CLICdp)
 - * ideally a Key4hepExamples package
 - experiment specific configuration packages
 - * with configuration files for running simulation and reconstruction
 - geometry package with DD4hep detector descriptions for FCC/CEPC
 - * similar to `1cgeo` used for ILC and CLIC
- need for good documentation
 - use Github and markdown (potentially together with `Reads The Docs`)
 - package documentation
 - howtos, workbooks,...
- use Github issues also for questions

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- could setup dedicated package `Key4hepDoc` with general documentation and use this issue tracker for questions

Event Data Model

- goal to make quick progress with the classes needed for tracking

concrete steps

- implement `TrackerHits`, `TrackState`, `Tracks` etc in `EDM4hep`
 - based on what's in `pLCIO` currently
- address in parallel what would be needed for `ACTS` (CEPC group)
 - once this is also available, we need to see how the possibly different approaches can be merged or treated in a unified way
- investigate automatic generation of lambda functions for `RDataFrame`
- benchmark the I/O performance also in MT mode
 - note: this is a general feature of `ROOT` I/O and not directly connected to `EDM4hep`

Detector Geometry

- common interface for reconstruction in `DD4hep`
 - there are already generic classes that describe all the subdetectors currently in use for `ILC` and `CLIC` and partly in `FCC` and `CEPC`
 - need to address new subdetectors, in particular the dual readout calorimeter and a drift chamber
- validate `DD4hep`-based (unified-geometry)-Service simulation and reconstruction for `CEPC`
- `DD4hep` description of `IDEA`, need to implement
 - dual readout calorimeter
 - muon system

Simulation

- streamline `Gaudi/FCC/G4` interface
- important to allow existing `DDG4` plugins to be available in `Gaudi`
 - or alternatively foresee to keep standalone `ddsim` simulation for interested groups (`ILC`, `CLIC`)
- provide fast simulation via `Delphes` cards
 - note: no validated cards for `ILD` exist

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Reconstruction

mid-term goals:

- Provide vertexing, solid Particle ID and c,b tagging
 - Migration of all existing algorithms from Marlin to Gaudi-based frameworks
 - * For tracking, Particle-Flow, Jet Flavor tagging
 - * Validation of the migrated algorithms
- Integration of ACTS
- Integrate Particle Flow (Pandora, Arbor, ...)
- Integration of tensorflow and ML techniques for reconstruction

near term

- can put together running reconstructions based on Gaudi-Marlin wrapper for CEPC, CLIC and ILD based on the existing chains for CLIC, ILC and CEPC - would still use LCIO for now

open issue

- need to understand how we want to integrate various existing tools and algorithms
- should allow for the wrapping of existing standalone tools (PandoraPFA, MarlinTrk, ACTS)
 - there is no performance gain loss involved in this light-weight wrapping really
 - advantage is that the groups maintaining these tools do not need to switch to Gaudi but can keep maintaining the software in current environment

general ideas

ACTS tracking

- CEPC groups are interested in getting ACTS to work
 - eventually all groups would be
- CEPC could contribute ACTS gaudi wrapper
- potentially need extension to EDM4hep (Trackerhits, track state,...)
 - see point above under Reconstruction
- need of pattern recognition algorithms
 - should investigate porting the ConformalTracking from CLIC
 - in a first step run this in the Marlin-wrapper ?

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regular F2F meetings

- Paolo suggested to have ‘regular’ software workshops around every 6 months
 - agreed to be a good idea
 - should aim for having a meeting in June/July in Europe
 - possibility to attach it to another meeting ?