

Redesign of Pandora PFA

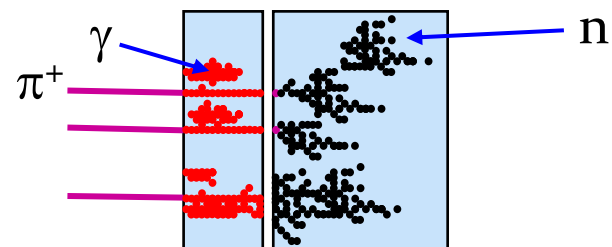
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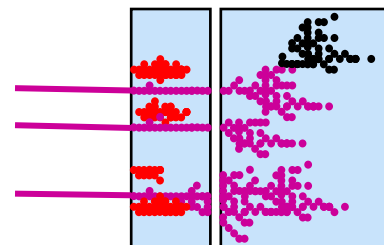


Pandora PFA

- In a typical jet:
 - 60% of jet energy is in the form of charged hadrons
 - 30% is in photons (mainly from $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)
 - 10% is in neutral hadrons (mainly n and K_L)
- Particle flow calorimetry aims to improve jet energy resolution by:
 - Measuring charged particles in detector tracker (essentially perfectly)
 - Measuring photon energies in the ECAL $\sigma_E/E < 20\% / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$,
 - Only measuring neutral hadron energies in the HCAL, largely avoiding the intrinsically poor HCAL resolution.



$$E_{\text{JET}} = E_{\text{ECAL}} + E_{\text{HCAL}}$$



$$E_{\text{JET}} = E_{\text{TRACK}} + E_{\gamma} + E_n$$

E_{JET}	σ_E/E (rms ₉₀)
45 GeV	3.7 %
100 GeV	2.9 %
180 GeV	3.0 %
250 GeV	3.1 %

- The Pandora Particle Flow Algorithm:
 - Initially developed for the ILD detector concept.
 - The most mature PFA, giving the best performance.
 - Its algorithms are now well tested and understood.
 - Fully documented, NIMA 611 (2009) 25-40
 - Meets ILC jet energy goal of $\sim 3.5\%$ at all relevant jet energies.



Pandora Redesign

- Whilst Pandora works well, current code has reached a point where it is extremely difficult to extend. It is not flexible enough to try out new ideas and improvements...
- ILD Letter of Intent version of Pandora has been frozen and a new version is being written from scratch.
- This is much more than just a re-implementation; Pandora is now a framework for running decoupled particle flow algorithms:
 - Increased flexibility, designed to make it easy to try out new ideas
 - Independent of any specific software framework and any specific detector details
 - Properly designed code, taking findings from previous PFAs into account, makes it easier to maintain
 - Easier for other people to get involved; simple for users to create and run their own algorithms
 - Pandora framework helps separate physics in particle flow algorithms from C++ memory management
- The new Pandora is a separate library, with no dependencies. A user application, in any framework, accesses the library via a simple C++ API (application programming interface).

Will now give a brief overview of new Pandora framework and summarise current status...



New Pandora Structure

User Application:

Create Calo Hits

Create Tracks

Create MC Particles

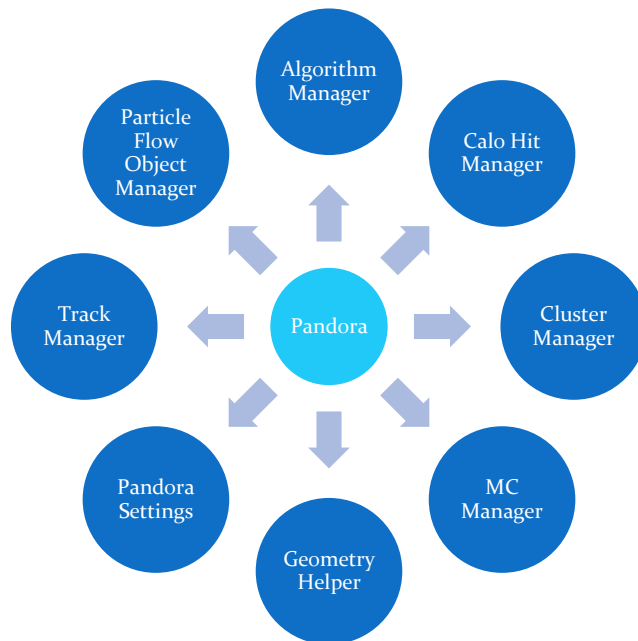
Specify Geometry

Register user algorithm

Get Particle Flow Objects

Pandora API

Pandora Framework,
can treat as “black box”:



Pandora Algorithms:

Clustering Algorithm

Topological Associations Algorithm

Iterative Reclustering Algorithm

Photon ID Algorithm

Fragment ID Algorithm

PFO construction Algorithm

Pandora Content API

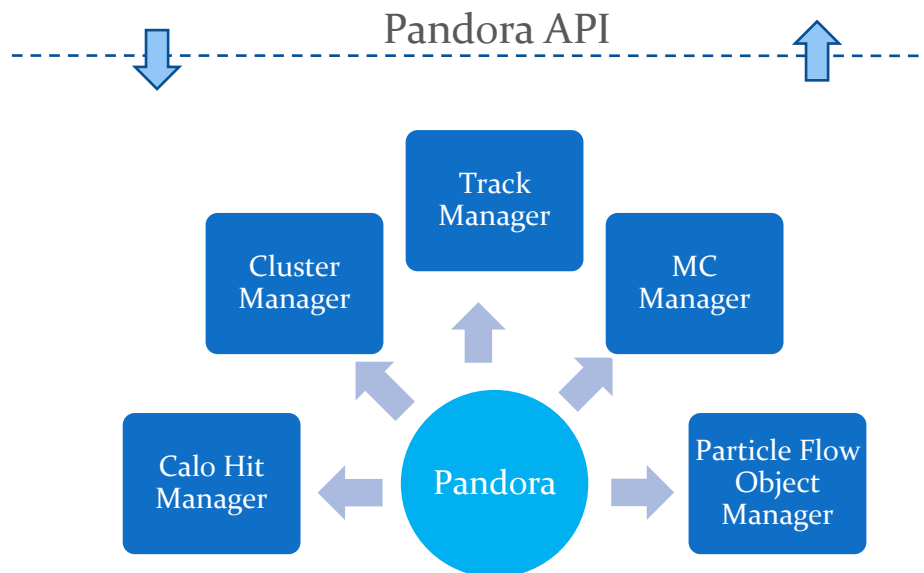


Pandora API

- To run Pandora, a user needs to write a small application in their chosen software framework.
- This application uses the Pandora API to supply Pandora with details of the detector geometry and of the calo hits and tracks in each event.
- Pandora then builds its own simple objects.
- Construction of these objects is simple; the user makes a **Parameters** class, fills the member variables and then calls the API **Create** function.
- Example member variables for a track:
d0, z0, track state at start, track state at ECal, etc.
- All member variables must be specified, or an exception will be thrown when Create is called.
- The user can provide this information in any order, then call the API **ProcessEvent** function.
- Finally, user calls the API **GetParticleFlowObjects** function.

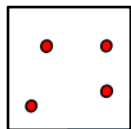
User Application, e.g. ILDPandora

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PandoraApi::Track::Parameters parameters;  
parameters.m_d0 = ...;  
...  
PandoraApi::Track::Create(pandora, parameters);
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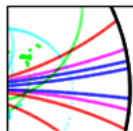


Pandora Objects



Calo Hit

- Position + normal vectors
- Calorimeter cell size
- Absorber material in front of cell
- Time of first energy deposition
- Calibrated energy (mip equivalent, EM, Had)
- Layer + pseudolayer
- Hit type + detector region
- Density weight
- Surrounding energy
- IsDigital, IsIsolated + IsPossibleMip flags
- Associated MC particle
- Associated user object



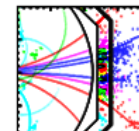
Track

- 2D impact parameters
- Momentum at d.c.a
- Particle mass
- Charge sign
- Start track state
- End track state
- ECal track state
- ReachesECal flag
- List of track state projections to calorimeter surfaces
- Associated cluster
- Associated MC particle
- Associated user object



Cluster

- List of constituent calo hits, ordered by pseudolayer
- Mip fraction
- EM energy measure
- Had energy measure
- Initial direction
- Current direction
- Result of linear fit to all hits in cluster
- Energy-weighted centroid
- ShowerMax layer
- List of associated tracks



Particle Flow Object

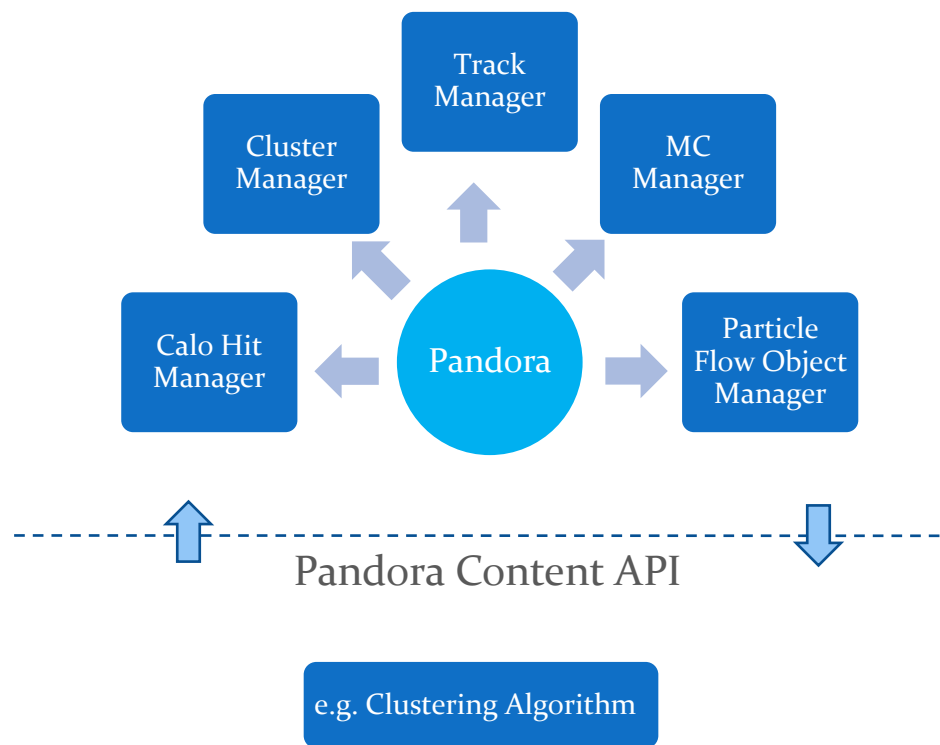
- PDG Code
- Charge sign
- Mass
- Energy
- Momentum
- List of tracks
- List of clusters

Mixture of properties specified by user and value-added properties, but all simple and well defined physics quantities for use in particle flow algorithms.



Pandora Managers

- Pandora Managers are designed to store named lists of their respective objects.
- These objects can be accessed by the Pandora Algorithms, which perform the reconstruction.
- The algorithms interact with the Managers in a controlled way, via PandoraContentAPI, and the Managers perform the memory management.
- At any instant each Manager has a “current” list, which can be accessed by an algorithm.
- Parent algorithms can manipulate the current list in order to control scope and behaviour of daughter algorithms.
- The Managers store information about currently running algorithms so they can keep track of lists.
- Algorithms can use the PandoraContentAPI to modify lists and/or save new lists.



Algorithms can use the API without worrying about how the managers work – separation of physics and C++ memory management!



Pandora Algorithms

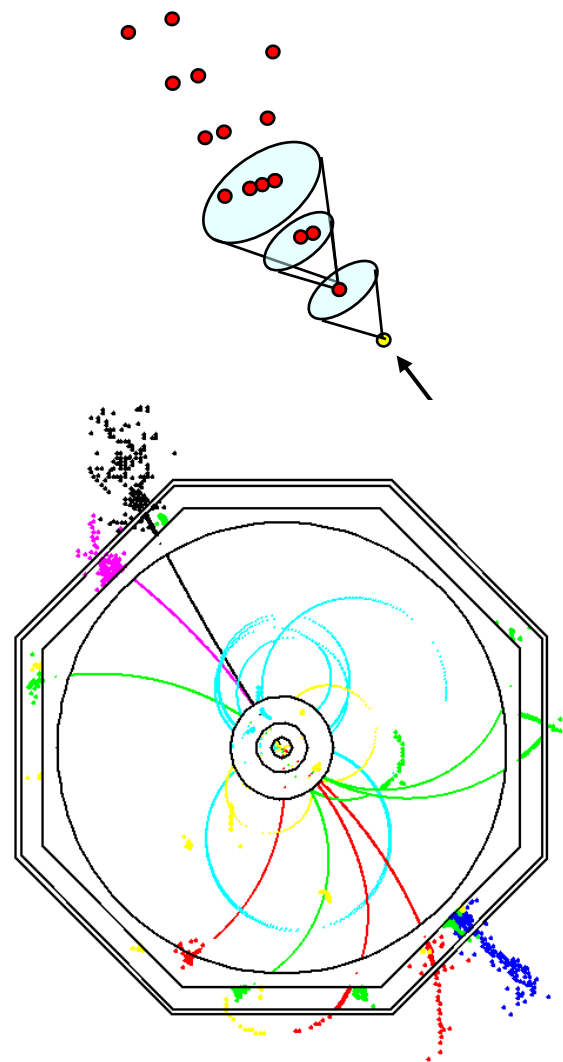
- In the new Pandora framework, the algorithms contain almost exclusively physics-driven code, alongside the following typical usages of the PandoraContentAPI:
 - Create new clusters and particle flow objects
 - Modify clusters, by adding hits, merging or deleting
 - Access the current lists of Pandora objects
 - Save new lists of clusters, calo hits or tracks
 - Run a daughter algorithm, etc...
- Static helper functions are provided to perform tasks that are useful to multiple algorithms, such as functions to evaluate the overlap between two clusters or to perform a linear fit to (layers of) a cluster.
- The Pandora algorithms are configured via xml and can be swapped in/out without recompiling. The algorithms required to reproduce old Pandora performance are:
 - Clustering
 - Topological associations
 - Photon Id
 - Fragment Id
 - Iterative reclustering
 - Particle flow object formation



Algorithm Status

Clustering

- The main Pandora clustering algorithm is a cone-based forward projective method.
- Working from innermost to outermost pseudolayer, the algorithm either adds hits to existing clusters or uses them to seed new clusters.
- This algorithm has now been fully implemented in the new framework and tested extensively; the new code exactly reproduces the old Pandora clusters.
- This re-implementation was an opportunity to ‘clean up’ an algorithm that had changed many times during development; now more efficient.
- Code is clean and readable and have now fully separated the framework/objects from the actual algorithm.
- Configuration options have been tweaked to identify independent and physically motivated parameters.

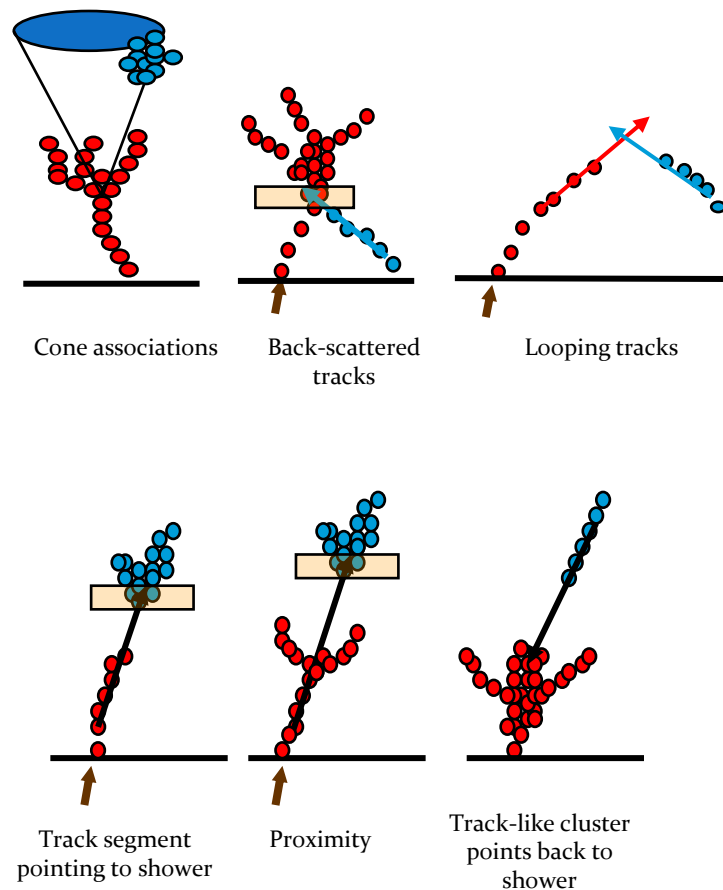




Algorithm Status

Topological Associations

- The approach in Pandora is to err on side of splitting up true clusters, then merge the clusters following a number of topological rules.
- Each of these rules have now been implemented via algorithms in the new Pandora framework.
- The algorithms essentially compare pairs of clusters, applying a series of cuts to identify whether the clusters should be merged.
- Many of the quantities, upon which cuts are placed, are useful properties characterising cluster interactions. As such, they are calculated by static helper functions.
- The topological algorithms essentially reproduce the cluster associations made by old Pandora. However, have identified potential improvements during rewrite.
- Need to investigate and implement these improvements.

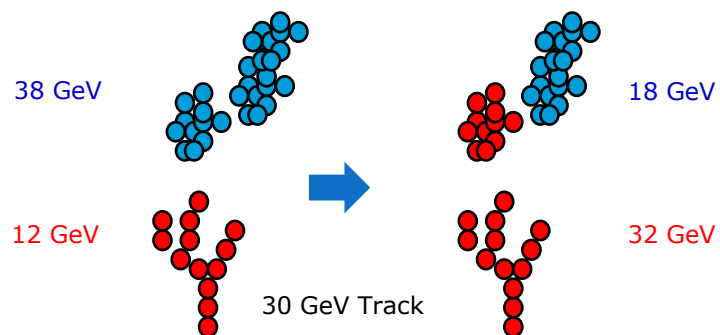
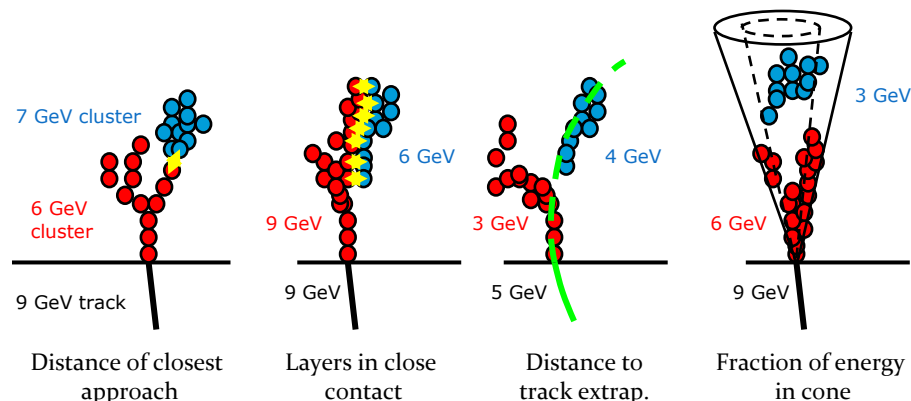




Algorithm Status

Fragment ID

- Neutral clusters that are fragments of charged particle hadronic showers are identified through examination of cluster contact and proximity.
- Fragment Id helper functions, which quantify the cluster contact, have been fully implemented.
- Fragment Id algorithm itself is almost complete, just needs another few days of development.



Iterative reclustering

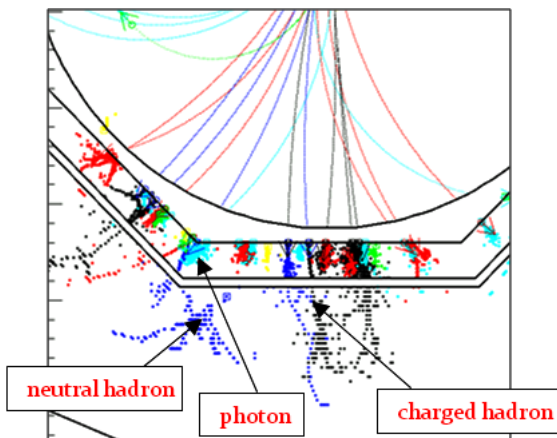
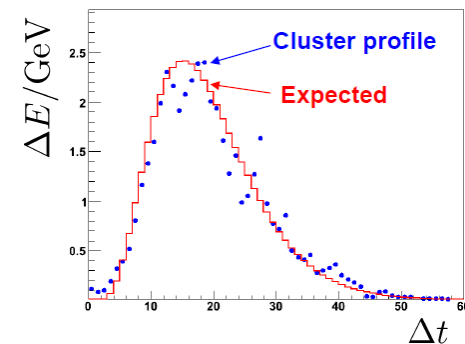
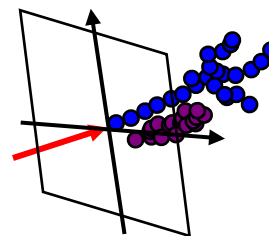
- Clusters that have been incorrectly merged together are identified via comparison of cluster energy and associated track momentum.
- Attempts are made to redistribute the hits by using different clustering parameters or algorithms (the new framework was specifically designed to make this easy).
- Have now implemented most of the algorithms that “steer” the reclustering. There are opportunities here to tidy these steering algorithms to clearly define role of each.



Algorithm Status

Photon ID

- Peter Speckmayer has been working on a photon id algorithm.
- This takes the output from the clustering algorithm, applies a shower-profile based selection and saves the photon clusters as a separate named cluster list.
- The removal of these clusters allows for improved identification of hadronic showers when the clustering algorithm is called again.



PFO formation

- Final step is to identify the particle flow objects from the tracks and clusters and to write them out for analysis.
- A simple PFO formation algorithm is now complete.
- However, old Pandora had a more sophisticated treatment, with improved identification of track-cluster associations, and this needs to be implemented.



Summary

- The new Pandora framework is complete and has been rigorously tested. It is stable and has been unchanged for several months now.
- The focus is now on re-implementing the original Pandora algorithms:
 - Clustering algorithm, topological association algorithms completed,
 - Significant progress made with fragment id, reclustering and photon id algorithms.
- Should also mention progress with the applications that use the Pandora library:
 - ILD Pandora application completed (our default test application),
 - Norman Graf has recently started a SlicPandora application,
 - Both applications are Marlin Processors that use the PandoraAPI to access the Pandora library.
- Aim to have a full re-implementation of original Pandora by LCWS10 in Beijing. Then have many ideas for moving forwards and improving Pandora within the new framework:
 - New clustering algorithms,
 - Long list of possible topological association improvements, etc...
 - Very easy for other people to get involved and write new algorithms or contribute ideas.