

iLCSoft Status and Plans

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Outline

- Overview of iLCSoft
- Recent Developments
- broader (non-ILD) context
- new geometry description
- Summary & Outlook





iLCSoft packages in release v01-17-03

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pre-DBD activities in iLCSoft

- the timeline for iLCSoft developments since LOI (2008) was driven by the requirements for the ILD-DBD
- successfully used to produce O(10⁷) fully simulated and reconstructed Monte Carlo Events
- improved/adapt core tools
 - LCIOv2, GEAR, CED,...
- improved realism of the simulation
 - include gaps, imperfection and services (ILD_oX_v05 models)
- complete re-write of tracking code
- improvements and re-write of reconstruction algorithms
 PandoraPFA and LCFIVertex/LCFIPlus
- developed and used GridProductionSystem

...continue to extend & improve iLCSoft

- new packages added to iLCSoft:
 - GBL: General Broken Lines (C.Kleinwort, Ch.Rosemann)
 - DD4hep: Geometry description (M.Frank, P.Mato)
 - SLIC, XercesC, HepPDT, GDML, LCDD (J.McCormick)
- many packages updated in recent developers releases
 v01-17-0x
 - many (small) new features, bug fixes (e.g identified by coverity static code checker)
- some highlights:
 - added python bindings to LCIO (C.Grefe)
 - partial reading of LCIO files (considerable I/O speed improvement)
 - pyced: interactive version of CED event display (t.b.r in v01-17-04)
 - port Clupatra to work w/ real test beam data
 - CED autoshot feature (A.Miyamoto)

... put iLCSoft in broader context

- general agreement among LC concept working groups that the only way forward is to move to common software tools
- process already started after the LOI with:
 - Software Common Task Group
 - many common tools used by CLIC, ILD and SID:
 - LCIO common EDM provides base for common tools
 - geant4, PandoraPFA, LCFIVertex/LCFIPlus, Root
 - loose series of Linear Collider Software Meetings at CERN with software experts from CLIC, ILD and SiD:
 - 2009, 2012 and 2013

LC Software Meetings

- in closeout of 2012 meeting reached general consensus to work towards
 - a common simulation application based on the geometry description developed in AIDA WP2
 - a common C++ tracking package in the context of AIDA WP2
- meeting in early 2013

http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confld=228477

- discussion focused on the details of how these goals can be achieved
 - interface between geometry description and simulation
 - interface to reconstruction (tracking)
 - -> decision to develop prototypes to investigate options
- agreement to use DD4hep as geometry tool

DD4hep - new geometry tool

- **DD4hep** common detector
- geometry description 2013 developed by CERN 24-28, (SFT/LDC groups)
- Sep in AIDA WP2
- Krakow, export of geometry to
 - geant4 applications
 - reconstruction code (API !?)
 - event displays

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midterm goal:
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- all concept working groups use SLIC simulation
- -> need transition phase for ILD to port current Mokka simulation models to DD4hep

DD4hep overview & status

- goals for DD4hep:
- full detector description
- full experiment life cycle
- consistent description
- ease of use
- DD4hep is based on best concepts from existing geometry tools:
 - xml files with parameters and compact description
 - C++ drivers per sub detector
 - use TGeo to implement geometry hierarchy and navigation
- releases:
 - v00-04 in ilcsoft v01-17-03
 - since then restructured build system and examples – t.b.r.

- developed simple prototypes:
 - ILD: VXD, SIT, TPC, AHcal
 - Calice test beam
 - CLICSID
- use to study technical issues:
 - cellIDs, detector segmentations, sensitive detectors
 - interface to reconstruction

DD4hep and Mokka

- Mokka support at LLR has been reduced
 - main developers and maintainers moved on to other tasks
 - some continuation of support provided
- considerable work has gone into the geometry description (SubDetectorDriver) of the current ILD (and Calice) models
 - -> need to preserve this work
- current idea of transition phase (FG, VB, EB):
 - use limited manpower to 'clean up' : keep only models currently used
 - replace MySQL data base with DD4hep compact xml files for these
 - possibly auto-generated w/ mysqldump
 - port relevant drivers to DD4hep (replace mysql queries w/ xml parsing)
- issues
 - technical challenges, e.g. sensitive detectors...
 - who will be doing this (the R&D Mokka liaison people !?)
 - is this what we really want and need for the planned ILD optimization studies -> see discussion at end of session

Summary & Outlook

- development activities in iLCSoft framework in the last 2–3 years where driven by preparation for the ILD DBD
 - improved realism in simulation and performance of reconstruction tool
- first developers release(s) since then provide new features in core tools and some new packages
- work towards a common simulation and reconstruction framework for Linear Collider studies

 main activity wrt ILD core software framework: move to DD4hep and improved simulation models for ILD

- non-negligible amount of work given the available manpower
- -> need to get this right
- -> discussion at the end of session