# Introduction to the DQ analysis framework

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### Overview



- Motivation and physics cases
- O2-DQ software structure
- Skimmed data model
- Workflows
  - Data filtering and skimming/slimming
  - Data analysis
- Pseudo-code example for using the framework utilities
- Summary

# Motivation and physics cases

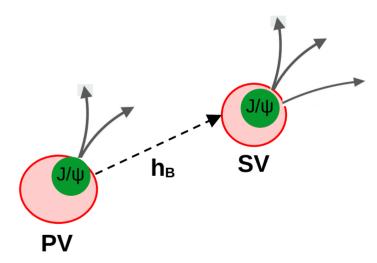


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- Physics cases:
  - Quarkonia decaying to dileptons
  - Low mass dileptons
  - Heavy-flavour (single) leptons
  - B<sup>±,0</sup> → J/ψ+K<sup>±,0</sup>, B<sub>c</sub> → 3 muons, χ<sub>c</sub>->J/ψ+γ, X(3872) → J/ψ+π<sup>+</sup>π<sup>-</sup>, etc.
  - Associated quarkonia production:
    - jets, charged hadrons, open HF hadrons, double quarkonia, etc.
  - Quarkonia and open heavy-flavour in ultra-peripheral collisions





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  - Tag-and-probe for QA, calibration and data-driven efficiency
    - V0 selector for clean PID track samples: v0-selector
    - Dalitz electrons selector (primary electrons): dalitz-selection
  - MUON data driven efficiency workflows: task-muon-mch-trk-eff, etc.
  - Event Q-vector and other event-wise correlators creator: dq-flow, dq-correlation

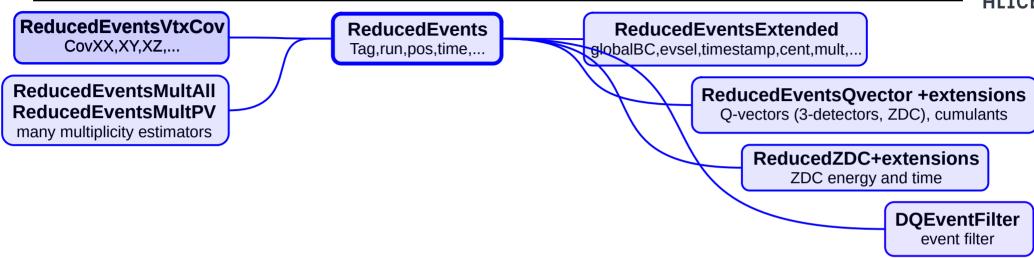


#### Utilities

- VariableManager: computes all quantities required in an analysis
- HistogramManager: histogram definition, filling and handling
- AnalysisCut, AnalysisCompositeCut: analysis cuts
- MCProng, MCSignal: Monte-Carlo particle stack handling
- MixingHandler: event mixing handling
- Libraries: HistogramsLibrary, CutsLibrary, MCSignalLibrary

### DQ derived data model: events

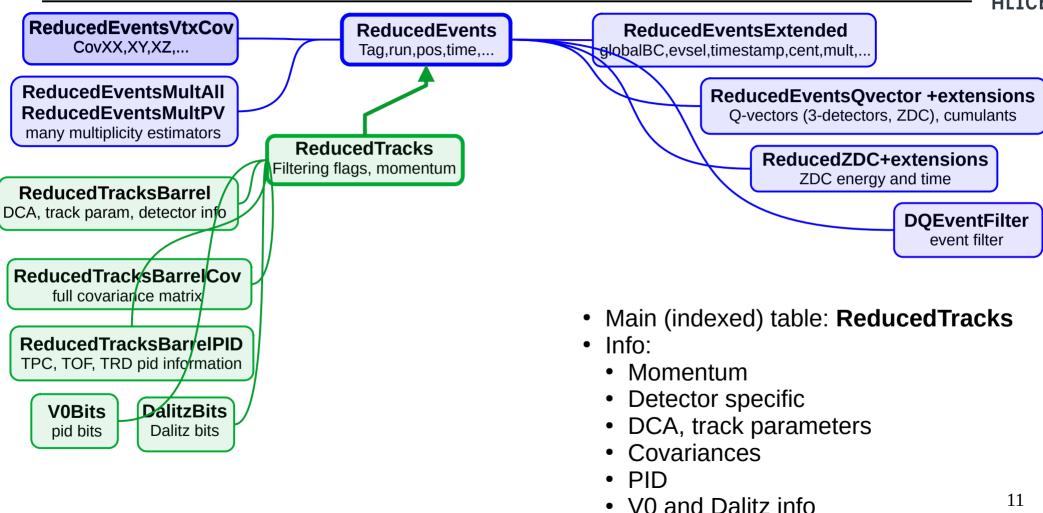




- Main (indexed) table: ReducedEvents
- Event information stored in several different tables
  - → Main
  - → Covariances
  - → Multiplicities
  - → Q-vector, etc.

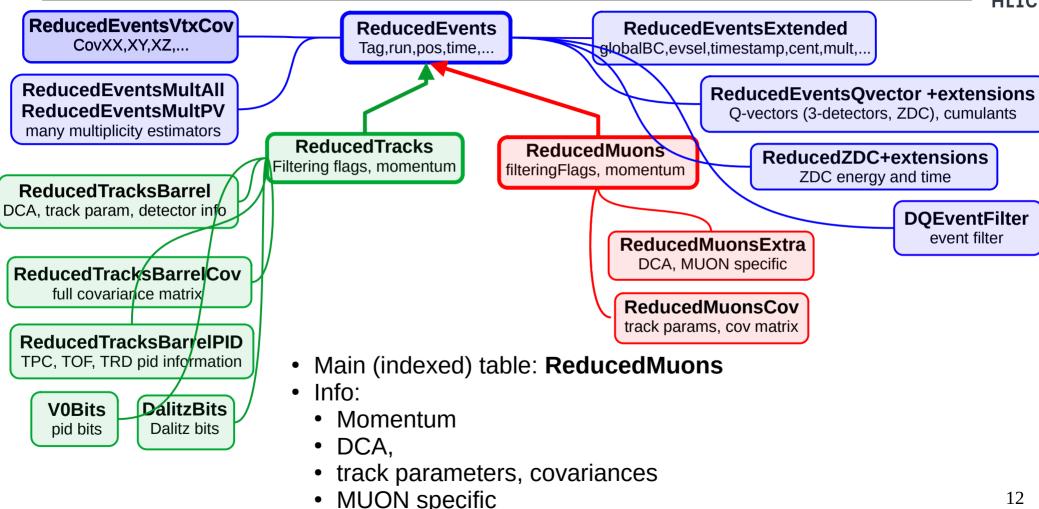
### DQ derived data model: barrel tracks





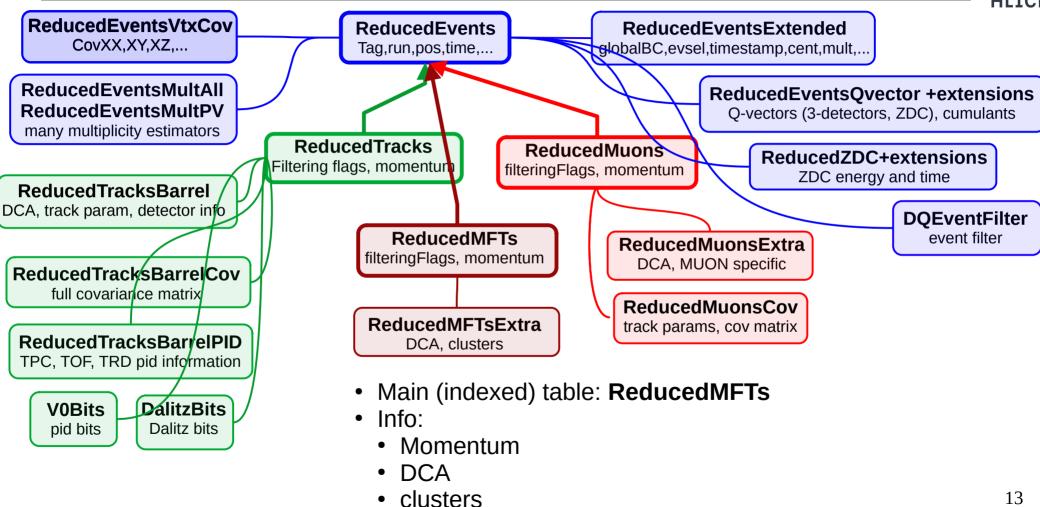
### DQ derived data model: muon tracks





### DQ derived data model: MFT tracks

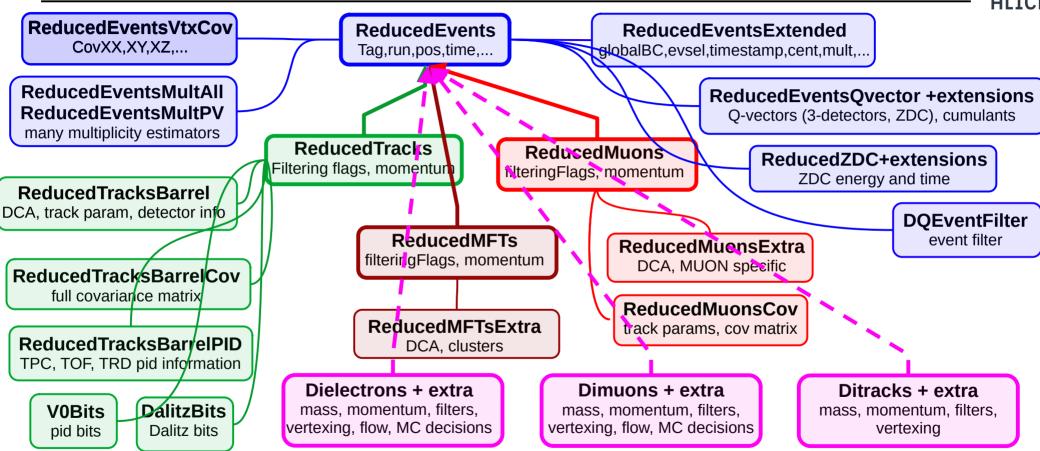




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# DQ derived data model: high level tables

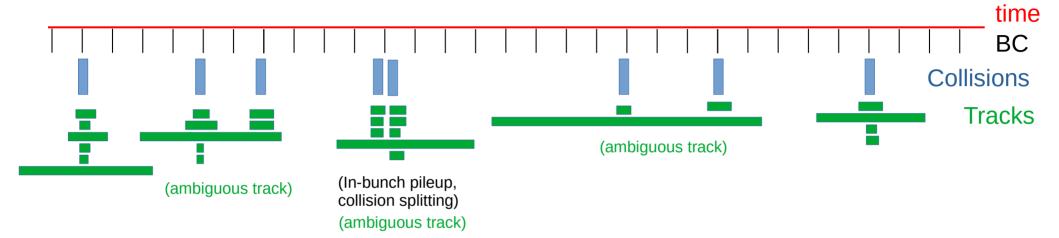




Various high level tables produced during analysis

# Track to collision ambiguity





- Ambiguous tracks: track time resolution allows compatibility with more than one collision
- Time resolution scales:
  - TPC only: ~100 μs
  - ITS+TPC: 1-15 μs
  - ITS+TPC+TRD/TOF: ~1 ns
- Orphan tracks (tracks with no collision association)

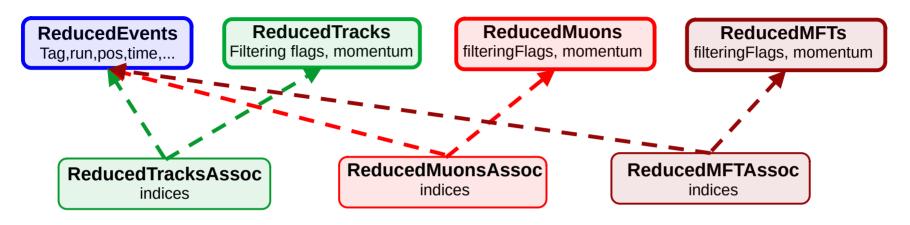
#### Sources of ambiguity:

- Close in time out-of-bunch pileup
- In-bunch pileup
- Collision splitting, ...

Association tables can be written to disk as part of the derived data model

### DQ derived data model: associations





- Association tables for barrel, muon and MFT tracks can be written in the data model
- One track may appear in more than one association (associated to different events)
- Some track or pair properties need to be recomputed for each association at analysis time:
  - DCA, secondary vertexing, ...
- Analysis loops over associations instead of tracks!
  - Ideal case: after analysis selections, only the "correct" association remains
  - Real life: some fraction of multiple-counting of tracks or signals (e.g. jpsi candidates)

### DQ derived data model: MC event



(Reconstructed level)

(MC truth level)

ReducedMCEvents vtx, time, weight, ...

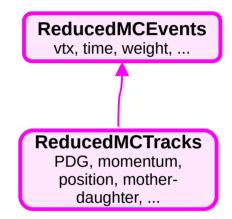
- Top MC truth node: ReducedMCEvents
- MC event-wise information: vtx position, time, MC weight, etc.

### DQ derived data model: MC tracks



(Reconstructed level)

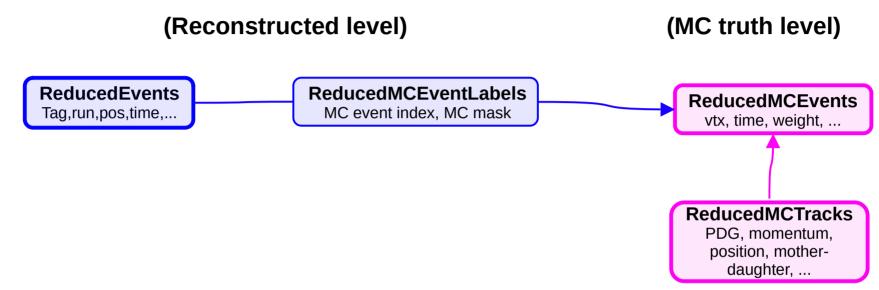
(MC truth level)



- MC truth tracks table: ReducedMCTracks
- MC truth tracks can be filtered using DQ framework utilities, such as MCSignal
- Mother-daughter relations recomputed at skimming time

# DQ derived data model: event labels

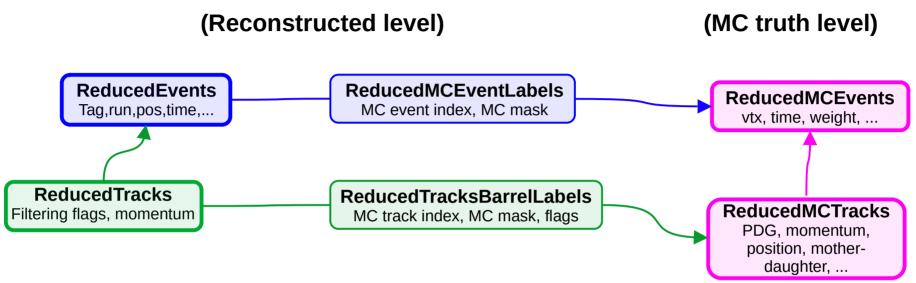




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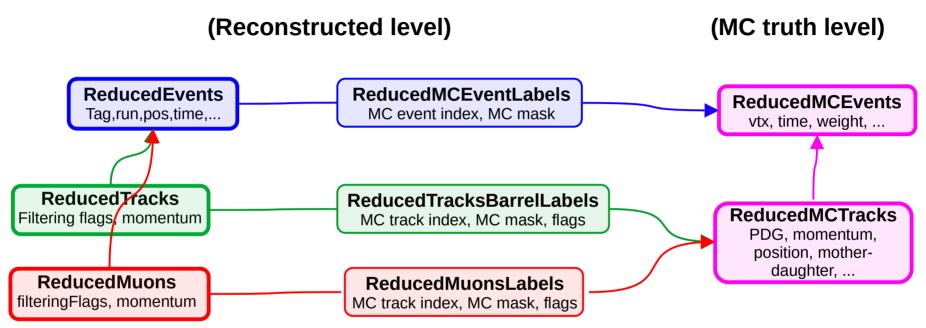




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#### Reconstructed vs MC truth



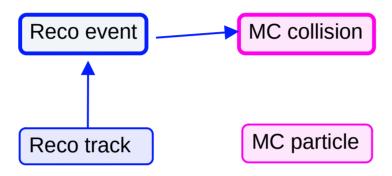
Reco event MC collision

Reco track MC particle

- Ideally, MC truth information should not be ambiguous, e.g.:
  - Retrieving the MC collision, starting from a reconstructed track

#### Reconstructed vs MC truth

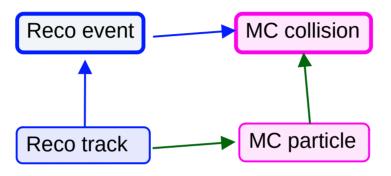




 A reconstructed track belongs to a corresponding reconstructed event, which in turn has a matched MC collision

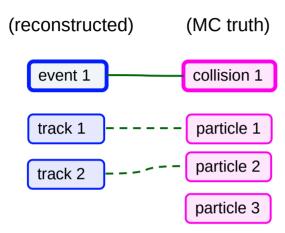
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- A reconstructed track has a matched MC particle, which in turn belongs to a MC collision
- Ideally, the blue and green paths would lead to the same MC collision

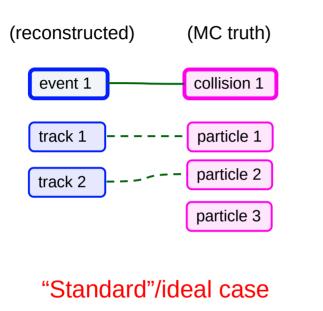
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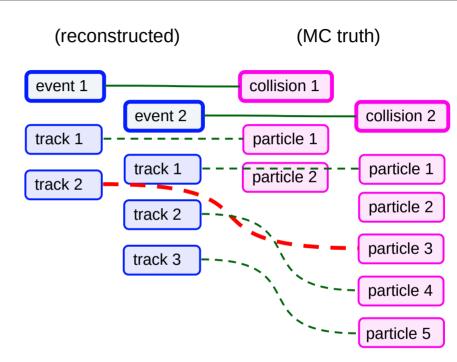


"Standard"/ideal case

- Standard case:
  - reconstructed event matched to an MC collision
  - Each reconstructed track is matched to an MC particle from the same MC collision as the reconstructed event match

# Reconstructed vs MC truth (a couple of examples)





Wrong track-collision association

- Wrong track-collision association
  - Reconstructed events correctly matched to MC collisions
  - One track from event 1 is matched to an MC particle from MC collision 2
    - Possible explanation: the two collisions are close in time, and one of the tracks has a large time uncertainty, so in reconstruction was assigned to the wrong reco event

# Skimming workflow: input data



Input data & params

AO2D.root

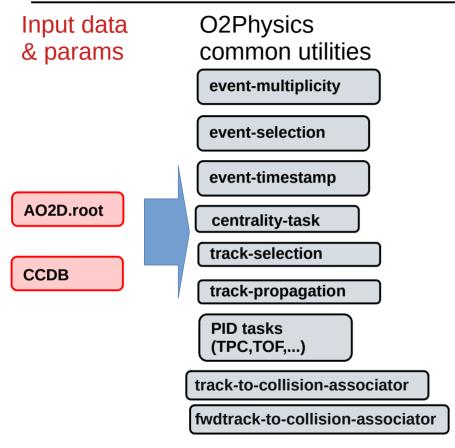
**CCDB** 

- Produces standalone filtered and skimmed data
- Configurability for
  - selecting events, tracks, muons and MFT tracklets
  - amount of event/track/muon/MFT information
- Multiple parallel selections on tracks and muons (similar to AOD filter bits)
- Intended for general purpose analysis, not limited to DQ

Input data: AO2D and CCDB

# Skimming workflow: common utilities

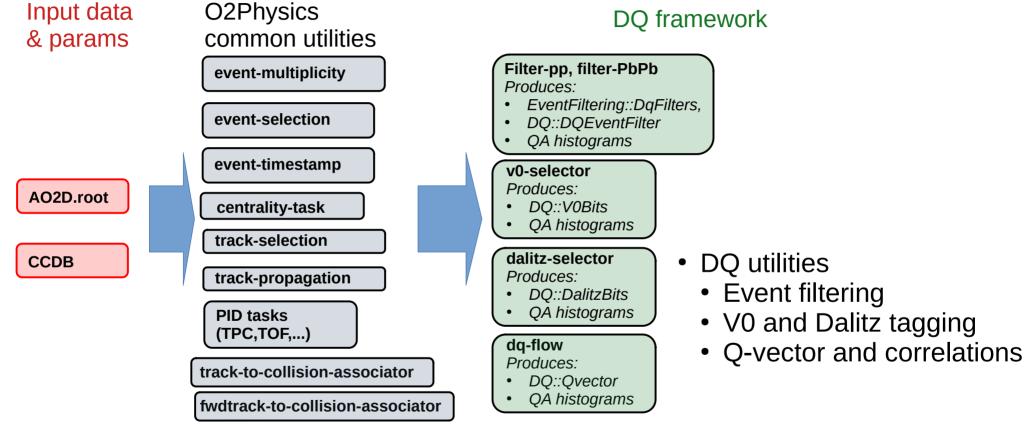




- Aggregates on-the-fly information produced by the O2 common utilities (services)
  - Event selection
  - Multiplicity, centrality
  - Timestamp
  - Track selection and propagation
  - PID
  - Track to collision associations

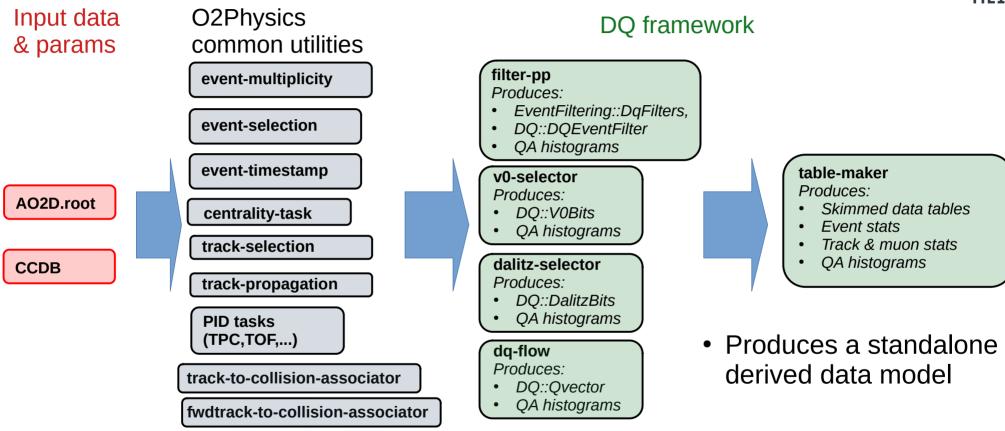
# Skimming workflow: DQ utilities





# Skimming workflow: table-maker





#### The analysis workflow: input data



#### Input data

**DQ** skims

or

AO2D.root

- Configurable workflow to run all analyses
- Uses DQ skims, but can be configured also Framework/AO2D
- Can replay event/track selections but also uses precomputed decisions from skimming time
- Produces higher level skims for "offline" (e.g. machine learning) applications
  - dileptons, triplets, etc.

#### The analysis workflow: event and track selection



#### Input data

#### event-selection

#### Produces:

- Selections
- Ev. mixing categories
- QA histograms

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track-selection(s)

#### Produces:

- Selections
- QA histograms

#### prefilter-selection(s)

**Produces:** 

Selections

#### muon-selection(s)

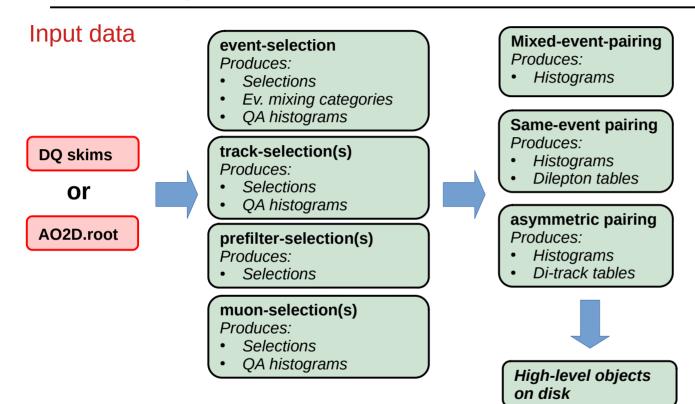
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- Event and track selection devices (analysis tasks)
  - Produce event/track selection bits
  - Event mixing categories
  - QA histograms

#### The analysis workflow: two-track combinatorics

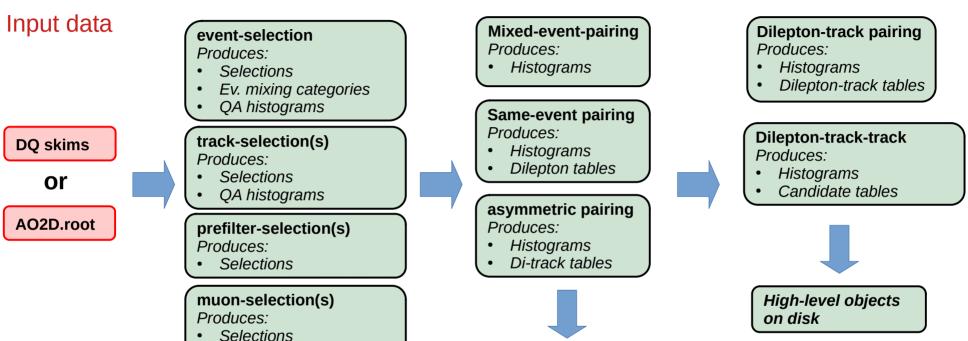




- Same event pairing
- Mixed event pairing
- Asymmetric pairing
- Produces di-lepton and di-track tables

#### The analysis workflow: higher level tasks





High-level objects

on disk

- High level analysis tasks
  - Dilepton + track:  $B \rightarrow J/\psi + K$ ,  $J/\psi$ -hadron correlations
  - Dilepton + track + track:  $\psi(2S)/X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi + \pi\pi$
  - Ongoing: χ<sub>c</sub> → J/ψ + γ, J/ψ in jets

OA histograms



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init() {
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}
```

- Predefined histograms are loaded from the HistogramsLibrary for
  - Class event and sub-classes trigger,cent,mc
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- Histograms will be available in the output file in the directories "EventHistograms",
   "TrackHistograms" and "TrackHistograms\_Mcmatch"
- Histograms are "aware" of what information they require
  - Filling of histograms can be done "in bulk"
  - No call to each individual histogram in the analysis task
    - neat and compact code
    - Decreases the frequency of PRs which modify just the binning of a histogram and allows a task to be used by multiple users for different purposes



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dghistograms::AddHistogramsFromJSON(histMan, jsonString);

More info here: Definitions via JSON



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    fEventCut → AddCut(dqcuts::GetAnalysisCut("eventStandard"));
    fTrackCut = new AnalysisCompositeCut(true);
    fTrackCut → AddCut(dqcuts::GetAnalysisCut("jpsiPID1"));
Define cuts
```

- An event cut (eventStandard) and a track cut (jpsiPID1) loaded from the CutsLibrary are being initialized
- Define cuts in a library with "human readable names"
  - Easy usage as input parameters (configurables) of the task
  - Flexibility: select fixed or variable (TF1) ranges for VarManager defined variables
  - Can be combined with AND / OR logic to construct complicated selections
  - Sharing between analysers
  - Reproducibility



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- Analysis cuts can also be declared on-the-fly via JSON formatted Configurable strings

dqcuts::GetCutsFromJSON(jsonString);

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} Define MC signals
```

- A Monte-Carlo signal which will be used for matching is loaded from the MCSignalLibrary, e.g. eFromJpsi
- Can be used as input parameters of the task
- Stored in a library shared with all analyzers
- Flexibility that covers a very wide range of use cases



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 Monte-Carlo signals, MCSignal, can be also defined on-the-fly, using JSON formatted strings:

dqmcsignals::GetMCSignalsFromJSON(jsonString);

More info here: Definitions via JSON



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process(aod::ReducedEvent event, soa::Join<aod::ReducedTracks, aod::ReducedTracksBarrelLabels> tracks,
aod::ReducedMCTracks tracksMC) {
   VarManager::FillEvent<gkEventFillMap>(event);
   if (!fEventCut->IsSelected(VarManager::fgValues)) {
      return;
   }
   histMan → FillHistClass("EventHistograms", VarManager::fgValues);
Compute event quantities,
apply selections & fill
histograms
```

- Process function subscribing to the DQ skimmed collision, tracks and MC particles information
- Apply event selection and fill event histograms:
  - Compute all relevant event-wise quantities: VarManager::FillEvent()
  - Check that the event fulfills the selection cut: fEventCut->IsSelected()
  - Use the histogram manager to fill all the event wise histograms: histMan->FillHistClass()



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 for(auto& track : tracks) {
  VarManager::FillTrack<gkTrackFillMap>(track); // compute track quantities
                                                                                 apply selections & fill
  VarManager::FillTrack<gkParticleMCFillMap>(track.reducedMCTrack());
                                                                                 histograms
  if( ! fTrackCut->IsSelected(VarManager::fgValues))
    continue:
  histMan → FillHistClass("TrackHistograms", VarManager::fgValues);
  Loop over tracks
```

- Compute all relevant quantities: VarManager::FillTrack()
- Check that the track fulfills the selection cut:  $fTrackCut \rightarrow IsSelected()$
- Fill the histograms from the "TrackHistograms": histMan->FillHistClass()



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    continue:
  histMan → FillHistClass("TrackHistograms", VarManager::fgValues);
                                                                                    Match MC signals & fill
  if(fMCsignal \rightarrow CheckSignal(true, tracksMC, track.reducedMCTrack()))  {
                                                                                    histograms
   histMan → FillHistClass("TrackHistograms_MCmatch", VarManager::fgValues);
```

- Check that the current track matches the specified MC signal: fMCSignal → CheckSignal()
- Fill histograms for the tracks which match the specified signal

# Summary



- A nearly complete set of analysis tools is available for single-lepton, di-lepton and higher level analyses (either in the barrel, muon or barrel-muon)
- Level of configurability allows for the same workflow to be used in a variety of analyses
- Additional tools and options for new analyses are being added continuously
- Contact DQ coordinators if you would like to have functionality of your analysis in the framework

# Backup

