

# Simulation Workshop Summary

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# Pattern Finding Goals Coming in

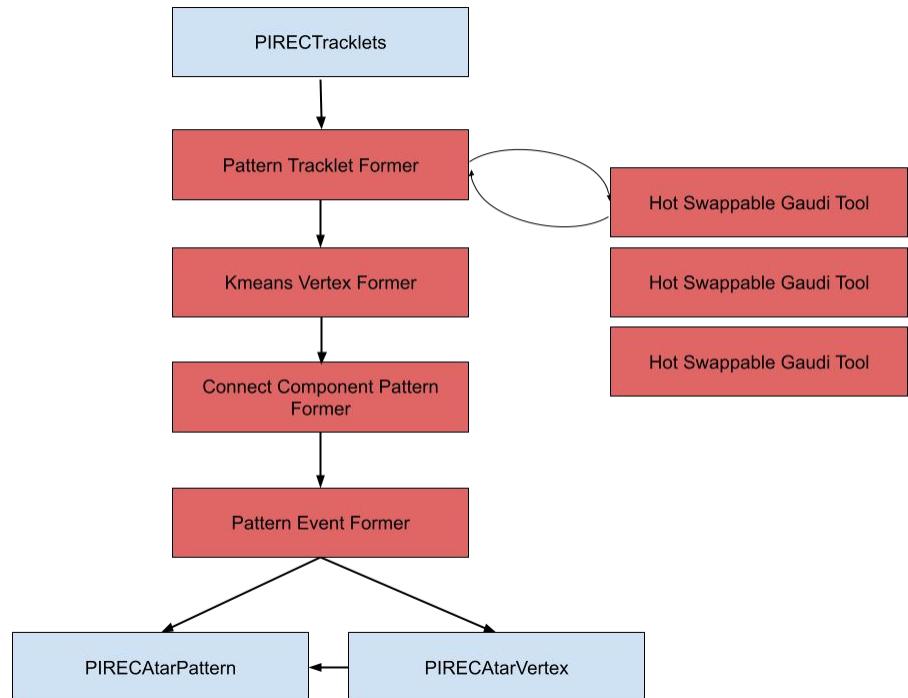
Proposed goals at the beginning:

- Characterize failure modes systematically
- Develop physics metrics to assess pattern finder's performance
- Refine vertex finding algorithm(s)
- Implement steps to handle latest tracklet finder developments, e.g. “strands”
- **Implement pattern finding framework in a more gaudi-like way**

This talk will focus on the structure of the new implementation

# Pattern Finder Still Behaves Like a Pipeline

- Maintain the same “pipeline” behavior
- “Stages” are now Gaudi Tools
  - Have standard methods that run on Gaudi’s initialization and finalization sequence
  - Take Gaudi parameters for configuration
  - Allows for more natural configuration in .opts



# Gaudi Tools

- [Gaudi's documentation](#) is a bit dated but the “recipe” for making a tool is the same
- Created four tool interfaces
  - [IPFTrackletFormer](#) ≡  
set<PIRECTracklet> → set<PFTtracklet>
  - [IPFVertexFormer](#) ≡  
set<PFTtracklet> → set<PFVertex>
  - [IPFPatternFormer](#) ≡  
set<PFVertex> → set<PFPattern>
  - [IPFEventFormer](#) ≡  
set<PFPattern> → set<PFEevent>
- Implementations of each tool are created by deriving from the interface classes and implementing their virtual methods

```
#pragma once
#include "GaudiKernel/IAlgTool.h"
#include "PFTtracklet.h"
#include "PFVertex.h"
#include <unordered_set>
#include <memory>

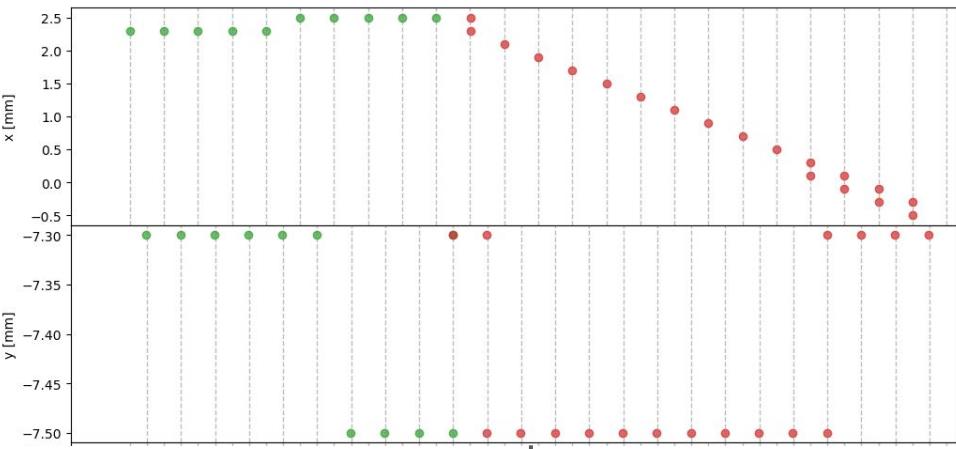
// Interface for vertex formation tools
class IPFVertexFormer : virtual public IAlgTool {
public:
    DeclareInterfaceID(IPFVertexFormer, 1, 0);

    virtual ~IPFVertexFormer() = default;

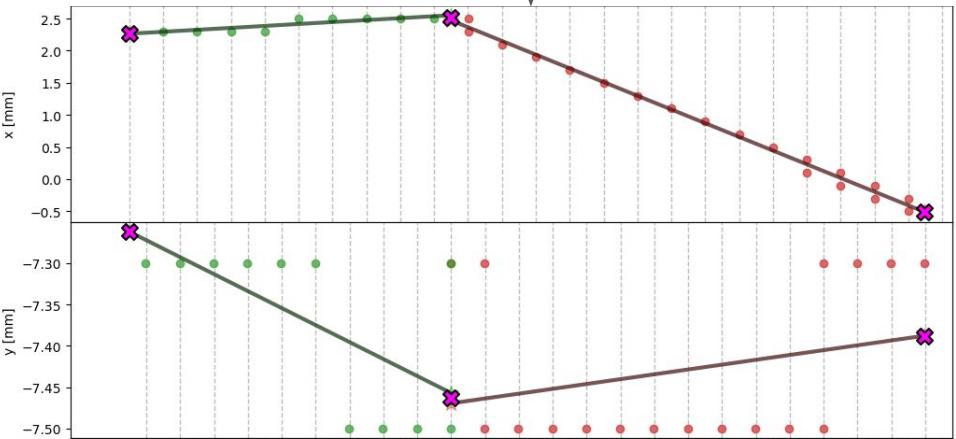
    virtual std::unordered_set<std::shared_ptr<PFVertex>> form(
        const std::unordered_set<std::shared_ptr<PFTtracklet>>& tracklets) const = 0;
};
```

# Default Implementations

- **PFDefaultTrackletFormer**
  - Creates thin wrapper class PFTracklet around PIRECTracklets; in particular sets endpoints for KMeans to use
- **PKMeansVertexFormer**
  - “Meat” of the pattern finder
  - Uses KMeans to create centroids that cluster endpoints in order to “match” tracklets
- **PFDefaultPatternFormer**
  - Uses DFS to find all connected vertices
- **PFDefaultEventFormer**
  - Create event object to access set of patterns



**PKMeansVertexFormer**



# Control in Gaudi .opts file

- Tool implementations can changed in the options file
  - If not specified, the defaults discussed will be used
- Tools can also take their parameters in the options file
  - Again, if not specified the defaults will be used

```
//-----  
// PatternFinder tool configuration  
//-----  
PatternFinder.TrackletFormer = "PFDefaultTrackletFormer";  
PatternFinder.VertexFormer = "PFPKMeansVertexFormer";  
PatternFinder.PatternFormer = "PFDefaultPatternFormer";  
PatternFinder.EventFormer = "PFDefaultEventFormer";  
  
//-----  
// Configure the tool properties  
//-----  
// Then configure it via ToolSvc  
PatternFinder.PFKMeansVertexFormer.Sigma = 1.5;  
PatternFinder.PFKMeansVertexFormer.NIter = 20;
```

# Next Steps

- Develop new algorithms to improve pattern finder performance
  - Can use [Pattern Finding Playground](#) python as a workspace to more rapidly develop and test algorithms performance
- Add python tested new algorithms in C++ Framework
  - Simple as making a new class, allows for seamless merging
- (If needed) Convert internal containers to available objects in the root tree
- (If needed) “Normalize” Pattern finder tools so they all derive from one interface
  - Would allow use of a “ToolHandlerArray” to define custom sequences in the pattern finder with an arbitrary number of “stages”
  - Requires inputless tools. Tools would grab data from Gaudi storage (similar to Josh’s proposal).

# Auxiliary Slides

# What is Each Container Class?

- All these classes are pattern finder “internal helper container” classes, not meant to be in the TTree
  - Can migrate these into TTree in the future
- PFTracklet
  - Wrapper around PIRECTracklet
- PFVertex
  - Wrapper around set of PFTracklets
- PFPattern
  - Wrapper around set of PFVertices
- PFEvent
  - Wrapper around set of PFPatterns

# How to Add a New Implementation

1. Derive from interface
  2. Write interface method implementation
  3. Specify in Gaudi opts file the class name
    - a. This name is grabbed from `DECLARE_COMPONENT`
- New adding new tool interfaces is a bit more involved
    - Must register the interface in [PIAPatternFinder.hh](#) using the `ToolHandler`

```
1  #include "PFDefaultEventFormer.h"
2
3  DECLARE_COMPONENT(PFDefaultEventFormer)
4
5  PFDefaultEventFormer::PFDefaultEventFormer(const std::string& type, const std::string& name,
6  : base_class(type, name, parent) {
7  }
8
9
10 StatusCode PFDefaultEventFormer::initialize() {
11   return StatusCode::SUCCESS;
12 }
13
14 StatusCode PFDefaultEventFormer::finalize() {
15   return StatusCode::SUCCESS;
16 }
17
18 std::shared_ptr<PFEVENT> PFDefaultEventFormer::form(
19   const std::unordered_set<std::shared_ptr<PFPattern>>& patternSet) const {
20
21   std::shared_ptr<PFEVENT> event = std::make_shared<PFEVENT>();
22   event->setPatterns(patternSet);
23   return event;
24 }
```



`PatternFinder.EventFormer = "PFDefaultEventFormer";`

**Simple Example Implementation and How to specify in .opt**

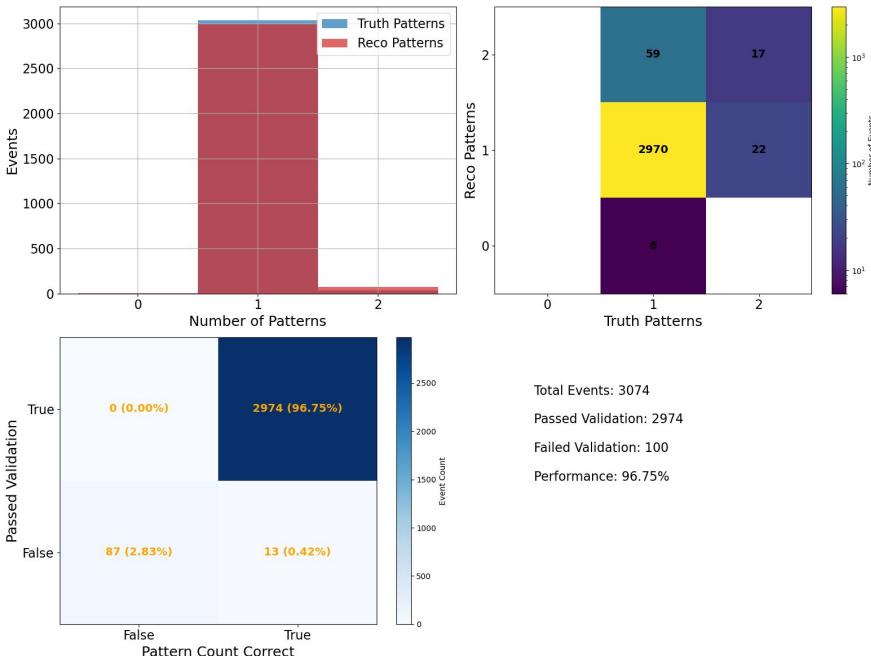
# How to Create a Tool Type

- Use [ToolHandle](#)
  - Template around your custom interface
  - Give it a name an optional default implementation
- That algorithm with ownership can use and configure the tool
- For a hot swappable *list* of tools see [ToolHandleArray](#)

```
 9 #ifndef PIAPatternFinder_H
10 #define PIAPatternFinder_H 1
11
12 #include <Gaudi/Algorithm.h>
13 #include <Gaudi/Property.h>
14 #include <GaudiKernel/ToolHandle.h>
15
16 // Tool interfaces
17 #include "IPFTrackletFormer.h"
18 #include "IPFVertexFormer.h"
19 #include "IPFPatternFormer.h"
20 #include "IPFEventFormer.h"
21
22 #include <memory>
23
24 // Forward declarations
25 class PIRECEvent;
26 class PIMCGeoHelper;
27
28 class PIAPatternFinder : public Gaudi::Algorithm {
29 public:
30     PIAPatternFinder(const std::string& name, ISvcLocator* pSvcLocator);
31     ~PIAPatternFinder() override;
32
33     StatusCode initialize() override;
34     StatusCode execute(const EventContext& ctx) const override;
35     StatusCode finalize() override;
36
37 private:
38     // --- Event and geometry
39     PIRECEvent* fRecEvent;
40     PIMCGeoHelper* fGeoHelper;
41
42     // --- Tool handles
43     ToolHandle<IPFTrackletFormer> m_trackletFormer[this, "TrackletFormer", "PFDefaultTrackletFormer"];
44     ToolHandle<IPFVertexFormer> m_vertexFormer[this, "VertexFormer", "PFKMeansVertexFormer"];
45     ToolHandle<IPFPatternFormer> m_patternFormer[this, "PatternFormer", "PFDefaultPatternFormer"];
46     ToolHandle<IPFEventFormer> m_eventFormer[this, "EventFormer", "PFDefaultEventFormer"];
47 };
48
49 #endif // PIAPatternFinder_H
```

# Pattern Finding Playground

- Recently got a new semi-major update
  - More general pipeline, can insert stages arbitrarily to build up an “event”
- Comes with event tools and plotting displays that take in events
- Carries diagnostic data at each stage for additional plotting



Example Performance Plot available in Playground