DD4hep Status

The attempt towards a HEP detector description supporting the full experiment life cycle





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Motivation and Goals

=> Introduction

- Concepts and Design
- Going to the 'real world'
- Summary

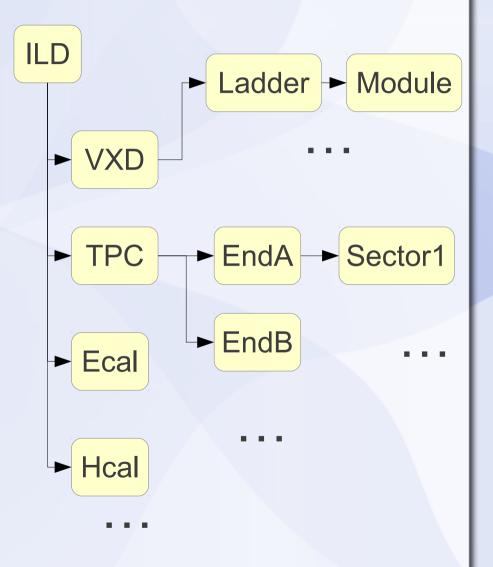
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Motivation and Goal

- Develop a detector description
 - For the full experiment life cycle
 - detector concept development, optimization
 - detector construction and operation
 - Easy transition from one phase to the next
 - "Anticipate the unforeseen"
 - Consistent description, with single source, which supports
 - simulation, reconstruction, analysis
 - Full description, including
 - Geometry, readout, alignment, calibration etc.
 - + standard commercials apply: simple usage etc.

What is Detector Description ?

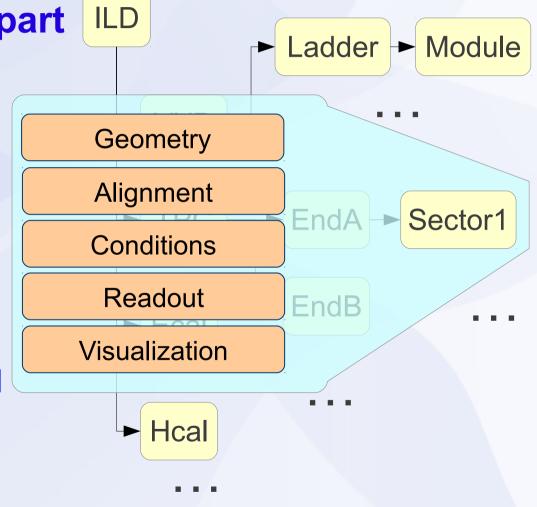
- Description of a tree-like hierarchy of "detector elements"
 - Subdetectors or parts of subdetectors
 - Example:
 - Experiment
 - TPC
 - Endcap A/B
 - Sector



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What is a Detector Element ?

- Subdetector or the part IL of a subdetector including the description of its state
 - Geometry
 - Environmental conditons
 - Properties required to process event data



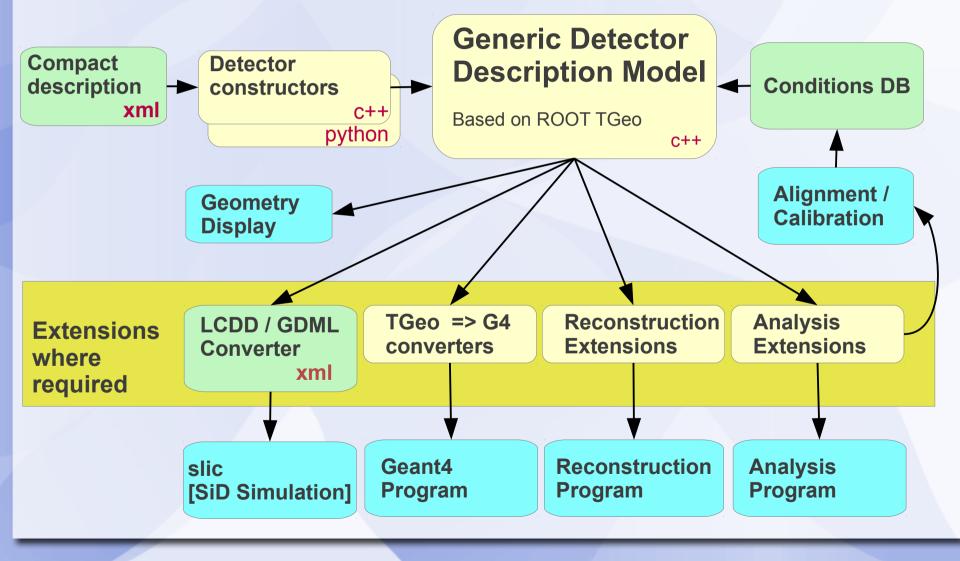
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Reminder: DD4Hep - The Big Picture



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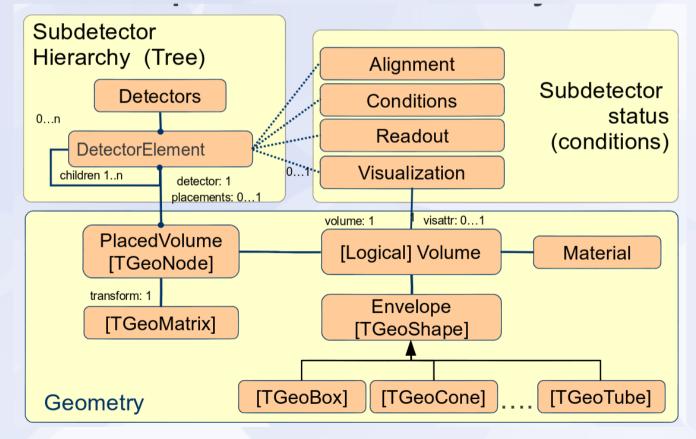
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Implementation: Design Choices

- Detectors are described by a compact notation
 - Inspired by SiD compact description [Jeremy McCormick]
 - Flexible and extensible
- Separation of 'data' and 'behavior'
 - Classes consist of a single 'reference' to the data object
 - Same 'data' can be associated to different 'behaviors'
- Implementation based on TGeo (ROOT)
 - TGeo classes directly accessible (no hiding)
 - TGeo has support for alignment

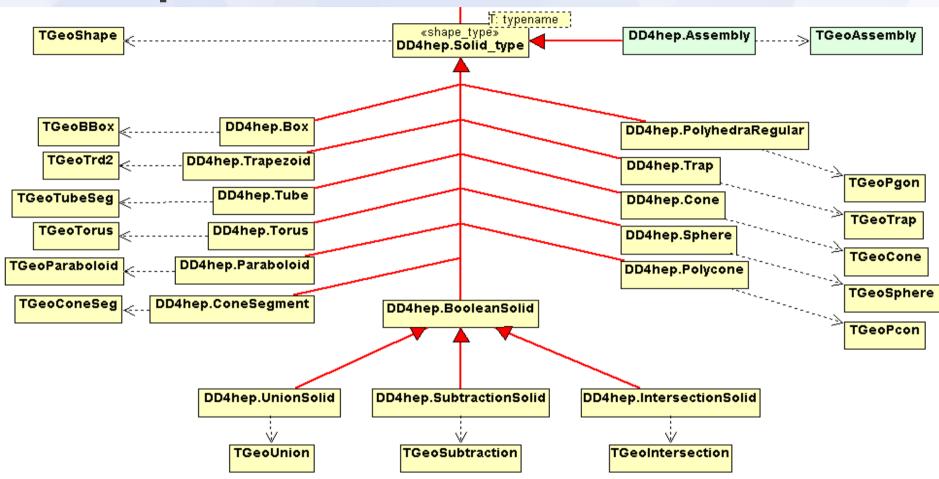
Follow-up: Geometry Implementation

- Based on ROOT TGeo
- No insufficiencies found: model seems correct



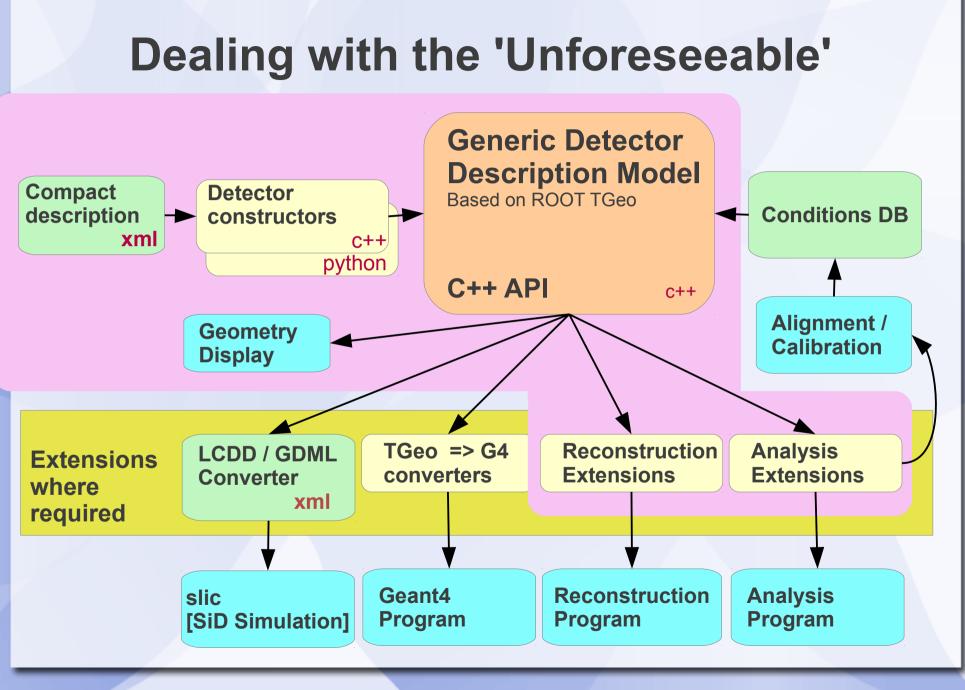
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Shapes and Solids: Enhanced Palette



- TGeo shapes used internally. Palette ~complete
- Commitment of TGeo to use USolids

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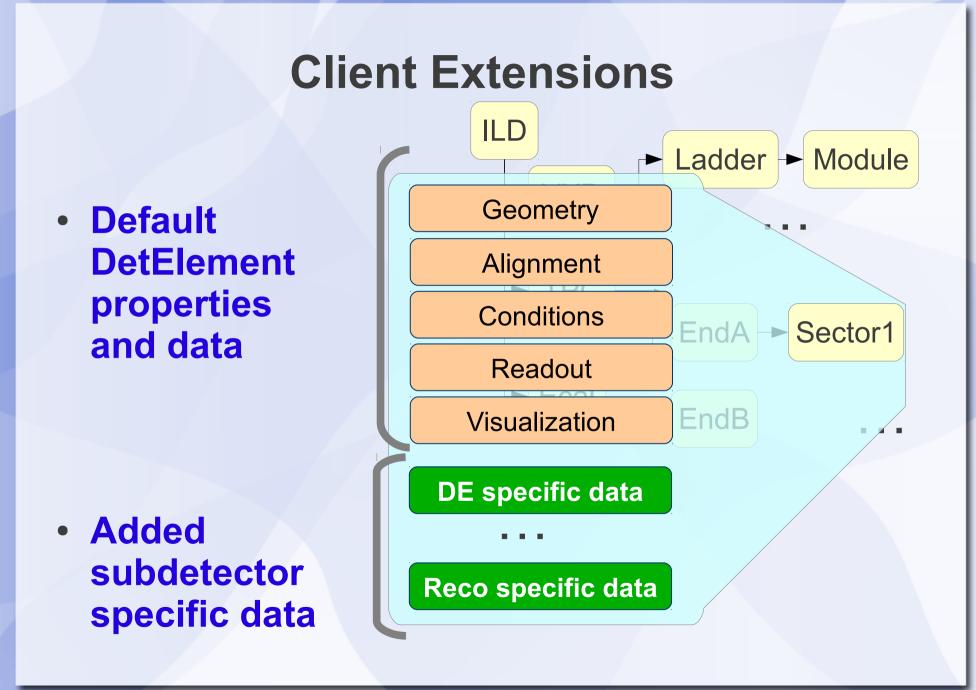
Client Extensions

- Provide flexible functionality to solve reconstruction and analysis problems
- Approach to deal with the "unforeseeable"
- Motivated by the fact that Different use cases require different functionality
 - Example: Optimization of coordinate transformations local TPC hit to experiment coordinates
 specialized data required (cache of precomputed results)
 - Need to extend the detector element's data

Implementation: Client Extensions

- Functionality achieved by 'views'
 - Corollary of the design choice to separate 'data' from 'behavior'
 - Possibility of many views based on the same data
 - All views share the same data __OR
 - Same 'data' can be associated to different 'behaviors'
 - All views are consistent
 - Public data describing a detector
 - User objects may be attached to data
 - Views are 'handles' to the data
 - Creating views is efficient and fast
 - Typically only a pointer needs to be copied

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Example: TPC (A.Muennich)

- Customize a DetElement object to support TPC specific questions and cached data
 - Data cache: save CPU using precomputed results
 - Facilitate TPC specific interface to clients
- Which is the mechanism behind ?
- How to implement such extensions ?



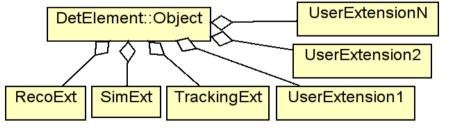
DetElement module(part_det,m_nam,mdcount);
PadLayout* pl = new RectangularPadRowLayout(module);
module.addExtension<PadLayout>(pl);

Detector element to extend

Extension object

Public type of the extension object (May be ABC or interface like here)

- Any number of extensions
 - Must differ by public type



- Adding an extension is possible anywhere
 - Extensions are not confined to detector constructor
 - Could also be somewhere in the reconstruction code

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TPC Module View

```
TPCModule(const Geometry::DetElement& e)
: Geometry::DetElement(e), padLayout(0)
{
  getExtension();
}
void TPCModule::getExtension() {
  padLayout = isValid() ? extension<PadLayout>() : 0;
}
DD4hep/DDExamples/ILDExDet/src/TPCModule.cpp
```

- The PadLayout is retrieved from the detector element if present
 - Lookup relatively cheap, but not for free Hence: extension pointer is cached
 - Map lookup by type_info

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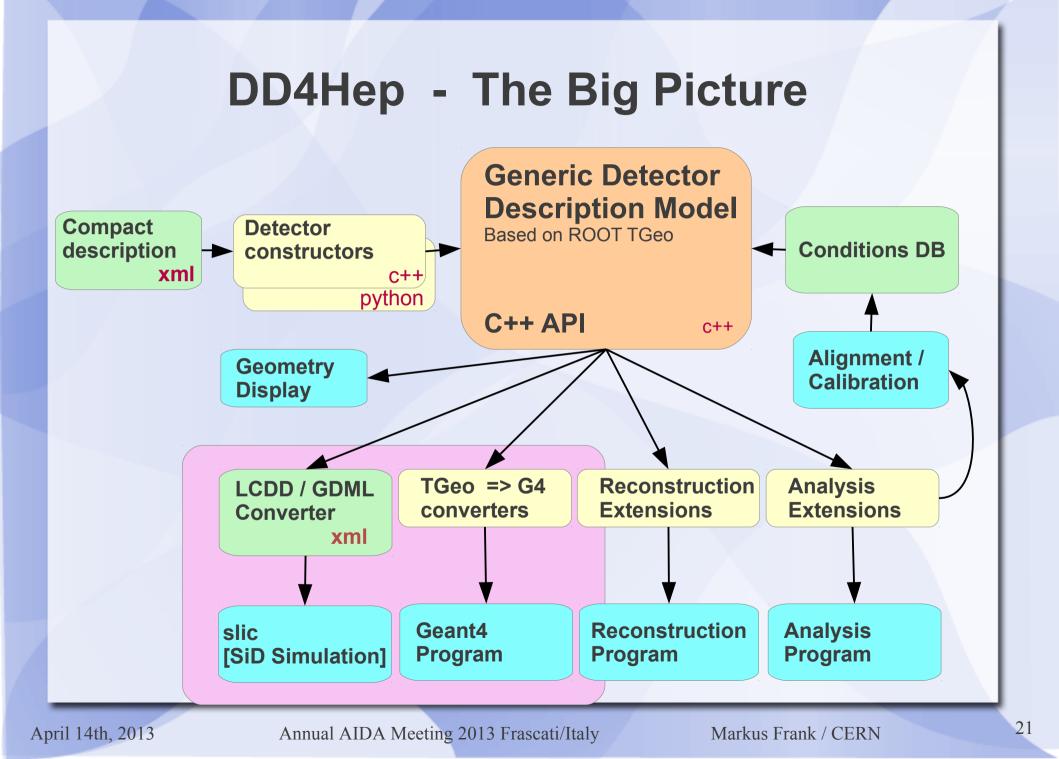
=> Out of 'lab conditions' towards clients

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End of Playing: Getting Mature

- Identified first 'massive' client
 - Linear Collider Detector community (ILD)
- Simulation framework (Mokka) at end of life
 - Replacement required for future detector studies
- Small study group established to verify feasibility
 - M.Frank, C.Graefe, A.Sailer, J.Strubbe (CERN/LCD)
- Additional complication: 2 frameworks
 - ILD: Mokka + Marlin
 - SiD: slic + java based reconstruction/analysis



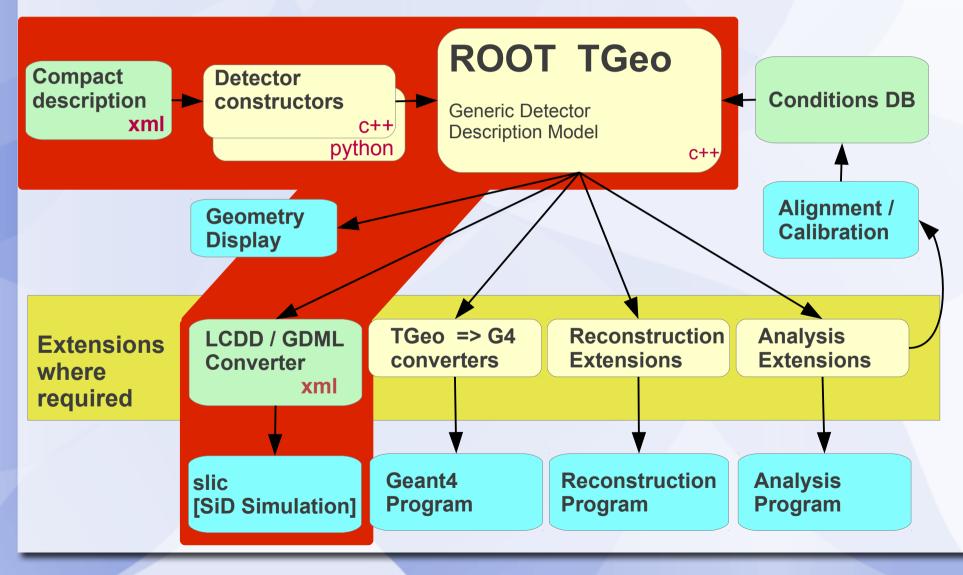
Geant 4 Gateway

- Idea:
 - walk through the geometry starting from "world"
 - convert the geometry from ROOT to Geant4
 - all runs by magic
- Geometry is automatically converted to Geant4
 - Materials, Solids, Limit sets, Regions
 - Logical volumes, Placed volumes / physical volumes
 - Fields
 - Sensitive detectors

In Memory Translation to Geant 4

- This processing chain was implemented
- Unfortunately the approach was a little bit naïve
 - Requires additional development of sensitive detectors
 - Couples detector 'construction' to reconstruction, MC truth and Hit production
- For ILD it was decided to benefit from 'slic' developments as simulation framework
 - Convert DD4hep geometry to LCDD notation (xml)

Next Step: Translate one Mokka model and feed simulation



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Using the SiD Simulation with DD4hep

- The SiD simulation application 'slic' solves these issues with bravura
 - Collaboration with slic developers started at LCD software workshop in February (N.Graf et al.)
- Goal: Allow to flexibly attach Geant4 sensitive detectors to slic (plugin like mechanism)
- Requires a detector description in 'lcdd' format (XML) with some 'gdml' section

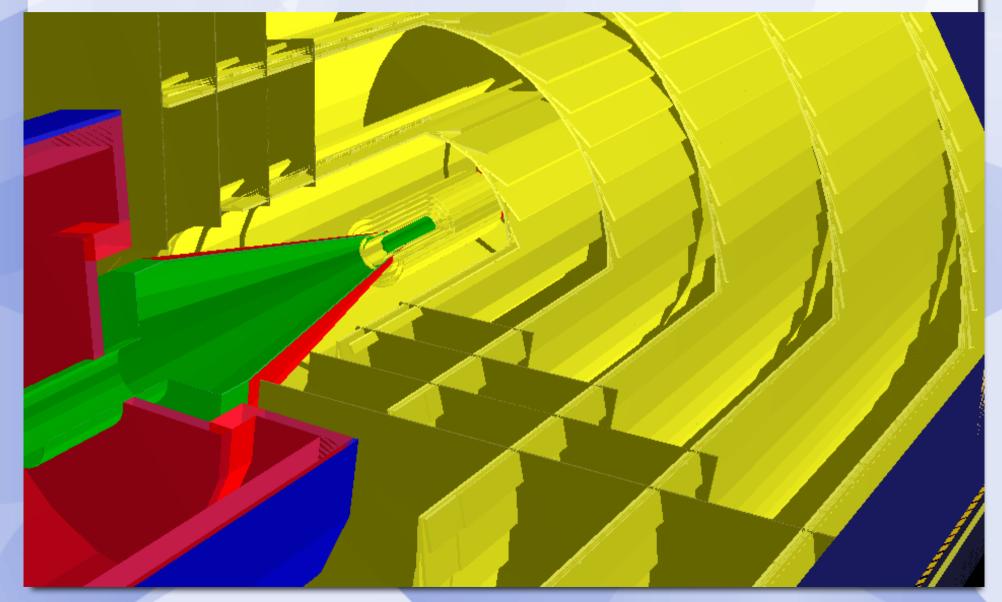
Slic and DD4hep: Status

- Sensitive detector work is ongoing
- Geometry converter was build and is part of the repository
 - Technique to generate such a file is similar to 'in-memory' conversion
 - Slic 'understands' the generated lcdd file (proof of concept)
- Formally the slic engine and the Geant4 event simulation is functional
 - If only existing sensitive detectors are required

Summary

- The DD4hep core was consolidated
- A extensible way to support flexibility is in place
- A functional path to event simulation is present
- Start to face 'real-world-conditions'
 - LCD as major client
 - Start to establish a common toolkit for simulation and reconstruction for linear collider detector studies

Questions and Answers



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