User Conventions for LCIO

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Outline

- freedoms/arbitrariness when using LCIO
- need of conventions
- what to do

LCIO vs. Modularity

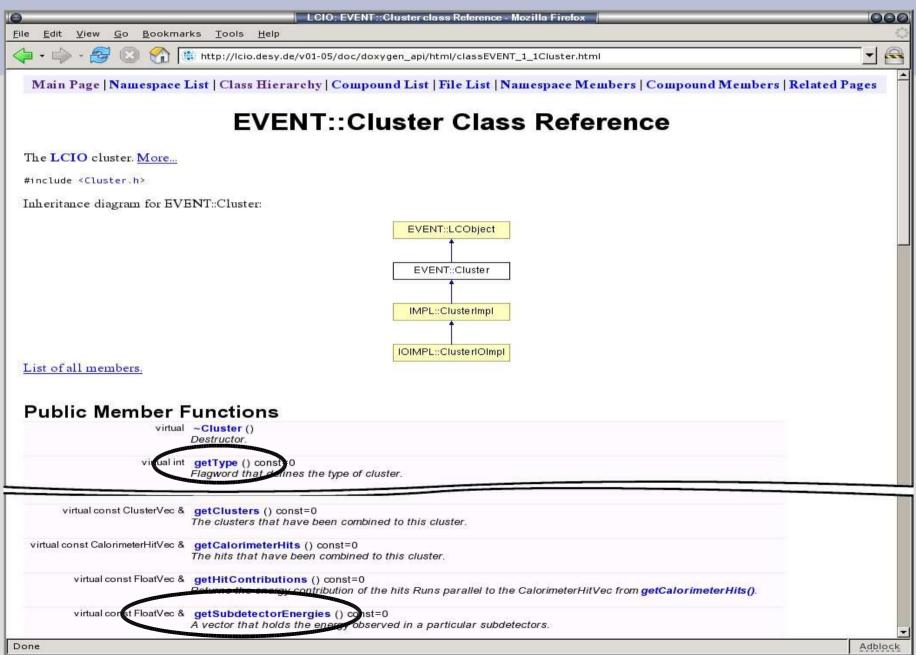
• LCIO

- designed to fit the needs of LC development
- general enough to cover any detector design
- Marlin
 - provides modularity
- users wish
 - write software once, apply to many (different) LCIO files
 - switch from MC to real data
 - concept studies:
 - change detector component; change only reco. modules directly affected by this change

The Problem

- ambiguities in LCIO
 - meaning of certain indices is left to the user
 - flexible design of LCIO does not fix the structure of an event
- the same problem with MARLIN
 - may ways to pass information from one processor to another
 - names of collections
 - "granularity" of information stored in LCIO file

Meaning of Indices, Flagwords



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virtual float	getFloatVal (const std::string &key) const=0 Returns the first float value for the given key.	
virtual const std::string &	getStringVal (const std::string &key) const=0 Returns the first string value for the given key.	
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virtual void	setValue (const std::string &key, int value)=0 Set integer value for the given key.	
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virtual void	setValue (const std::string &key, const std::string &value)=0 Set string value for the given key	
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How to Handle Indeces, etc.

- don't hard code the numbers
 - use at least constants in a header file
 - better: extract the numbers at runtime from the parameter sections
 - => Naming conventions, not numbering conventions

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Keywords

- keywords have arbitrary names
 - naming conventions are needed
 - some keywords relevant for physics
 -> ask LCIO authors to provide string constants

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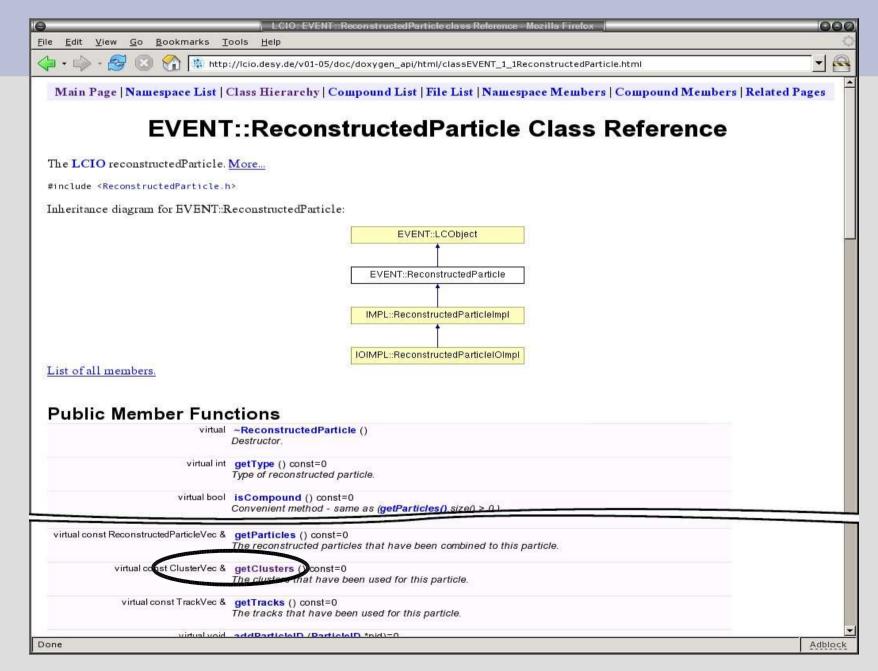
Structure of Events

Task:

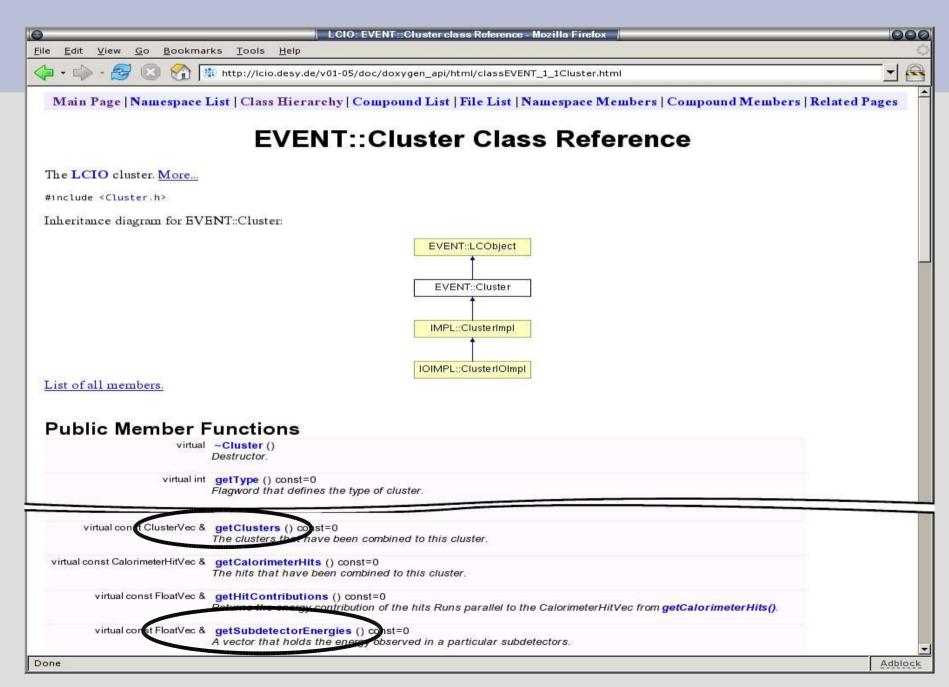
"Get the energy, which a reconstructed particle deposited in the e-cal"

- Problem:
 - LCIO does not want to force an detector to have an e-cal and h-cal (?)
 - thus LCIO cannot fix the way to store this information

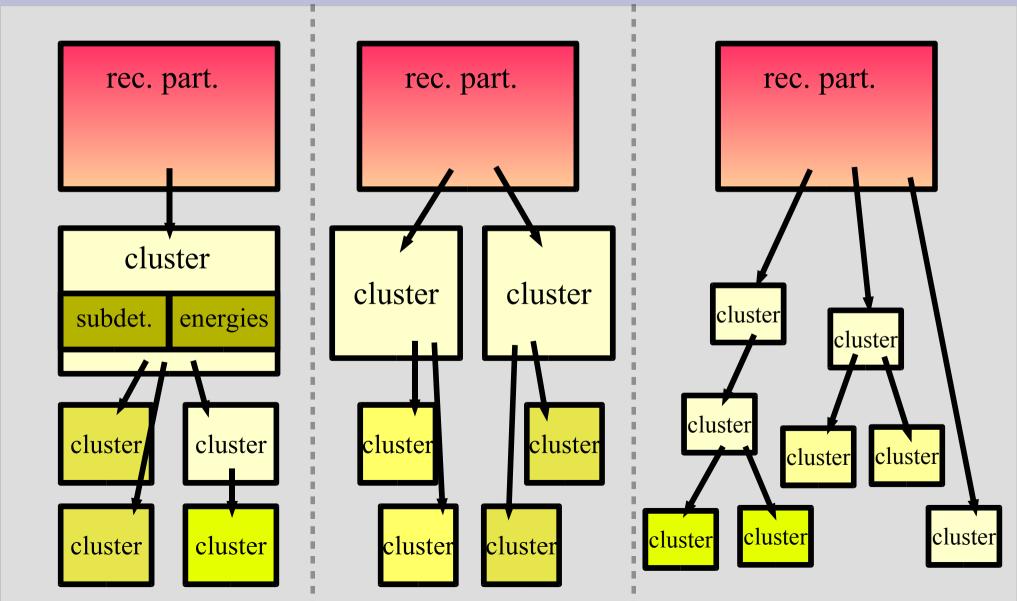
ReconstructedParticle







Several Possibilities



Modularity

- MARLIN modules have to process LCIO events prepared by other modules/software
 - collection names must be known
 - data needed by a processor must be in the event
 - event structure must be compatible
 - processors should be able to change "boundary conditions" (tpc radius, calorimeter cell sizes, ...)

Conclusions

- e.g. MARLIN processors:
 - provide steering parameter to change collection names
 - provide steering parameters for external parameters (or use geometry API) if possible
- but:
 - providing steering parameters for everything doesn't seem to be feasible
 - changing default values (e.g. collection names) for every processor can be very annoying
 - some input for a processor (needed collections, etc.) cannot be changed

Conclusions

- => conventions are needed
- useful conventions emerge from actual implementations
 => there are (many) candidates for conventions

Todo (i)

- find conventions
 - talk early to other software developers (not just those in the office next to you)
 - figure out where conventions are needed
 - find out which conventions seem to be useful / practicable
 - single out one (or a few) convention(s)
 (a small set of conventions can be hidden by helper functions "getEcalEnergy()")

Todo (ii)

- documentation
 - create "self documenting" LCIO files
 i.e. put meaning of bitfields, indices, etc. in the parameter bock of collections, events, runs
 - write human readable conventions
 i.e. write down which input your processors
 exactly needs
 - gather several conventions at a central place (provide helper functions, libraries, ...)
 - write software to check whether a LCIO file follows certain conventions