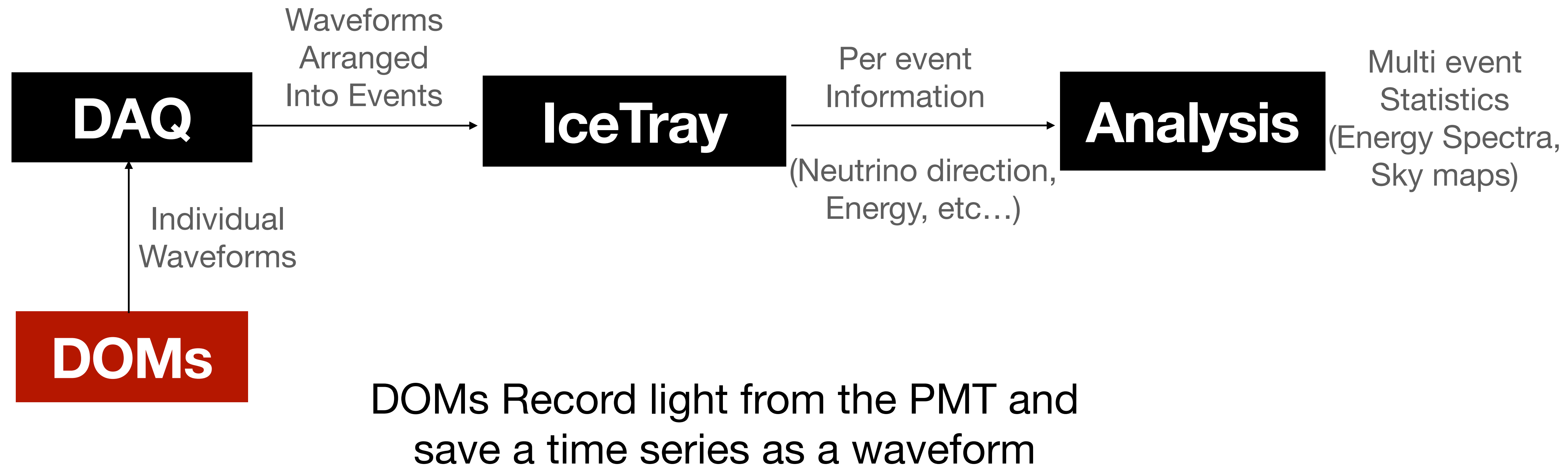


# IceTray Tutorial

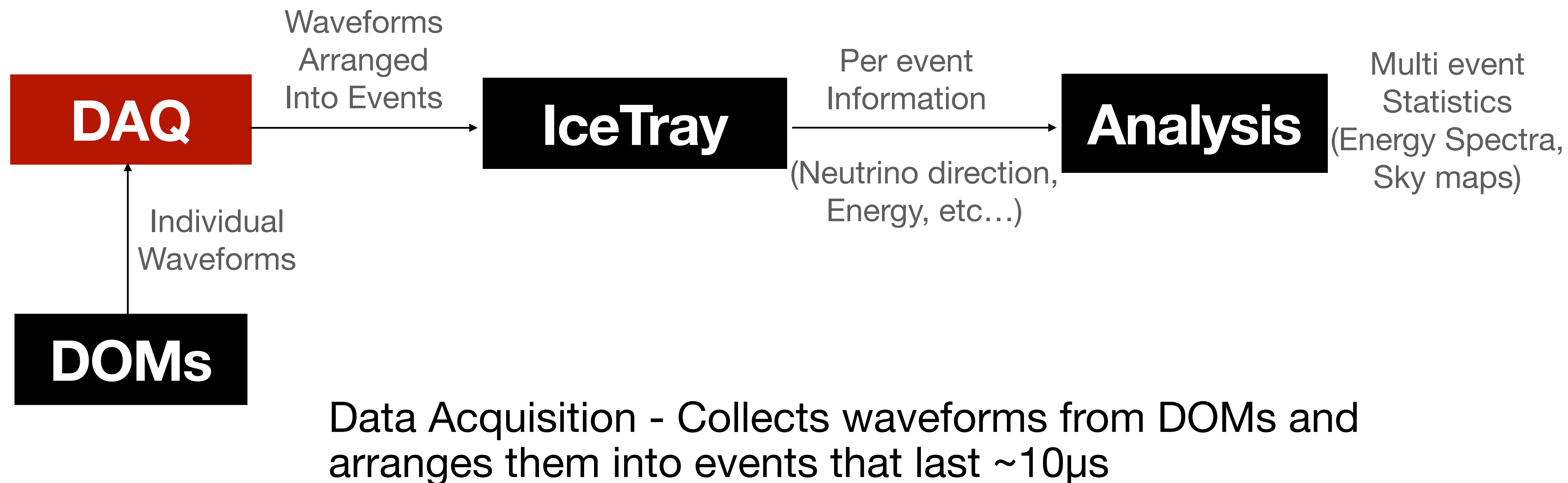
IceTray is IceCube's Framework for serial processing of IceCube Data

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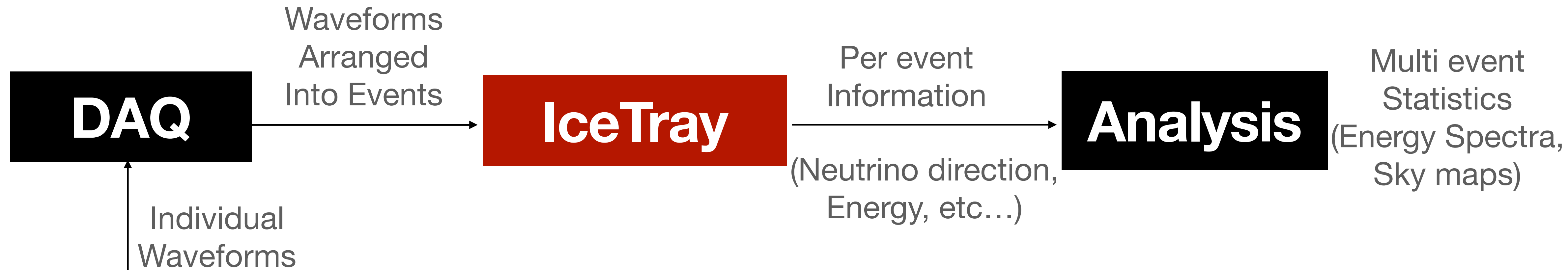
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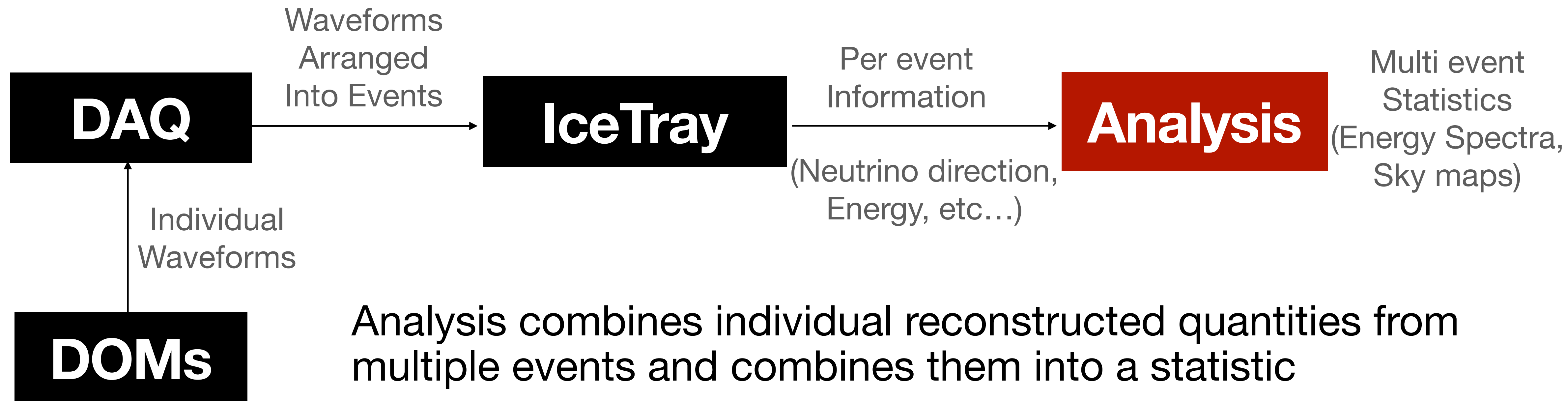
# Overview of IceCube Processing Pipelines



IceTray processes the waveforms into pulses and performs reconstructions on those pulses to record information about the specific event.

Examples include: Zenith, Azimuth, Total Charge, Muon Energy

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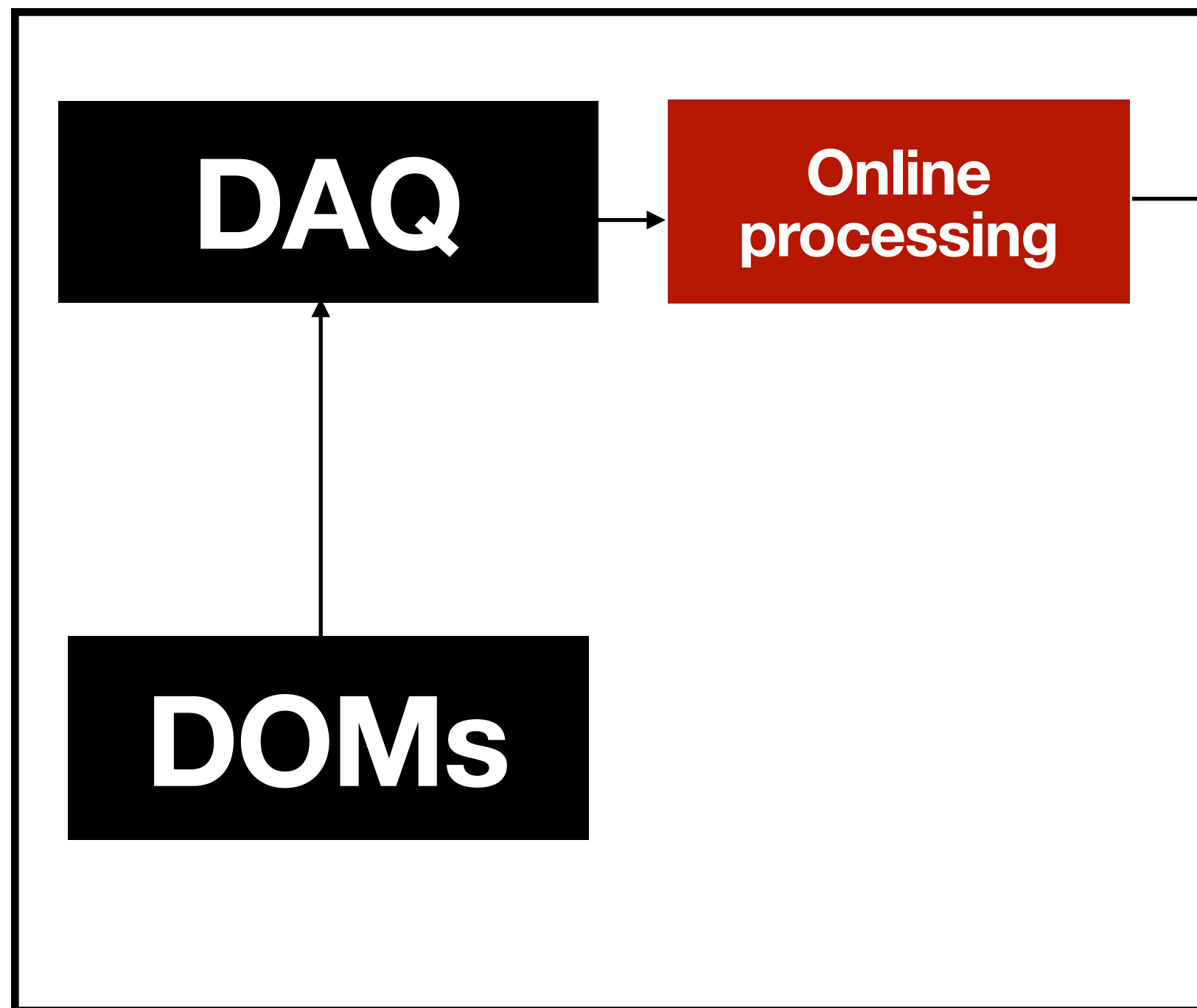


Analysis combines individual reconstructed quantities from multiple events and combines them into a statistic

Example: zenith and azimuth from all the events to form a skymap or Energy from each event to form an energy spectrum

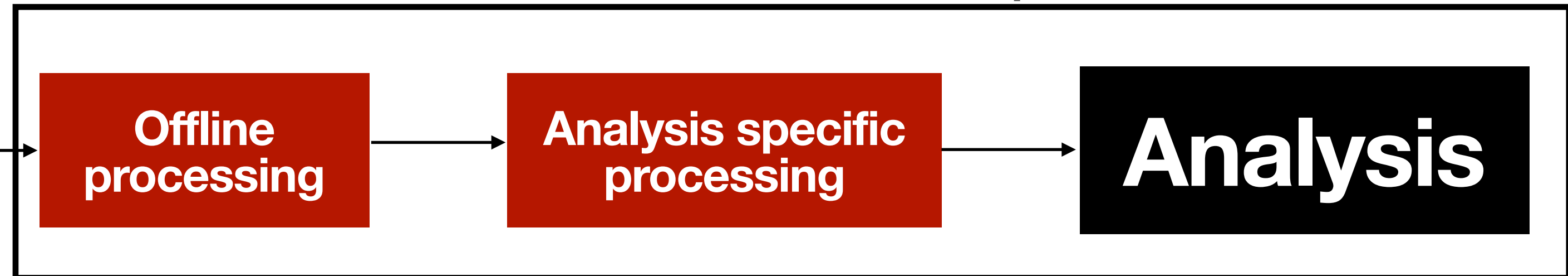
# More detailed view of processing

South Pole



Satellite  
Transfer

Northern Hemisphere



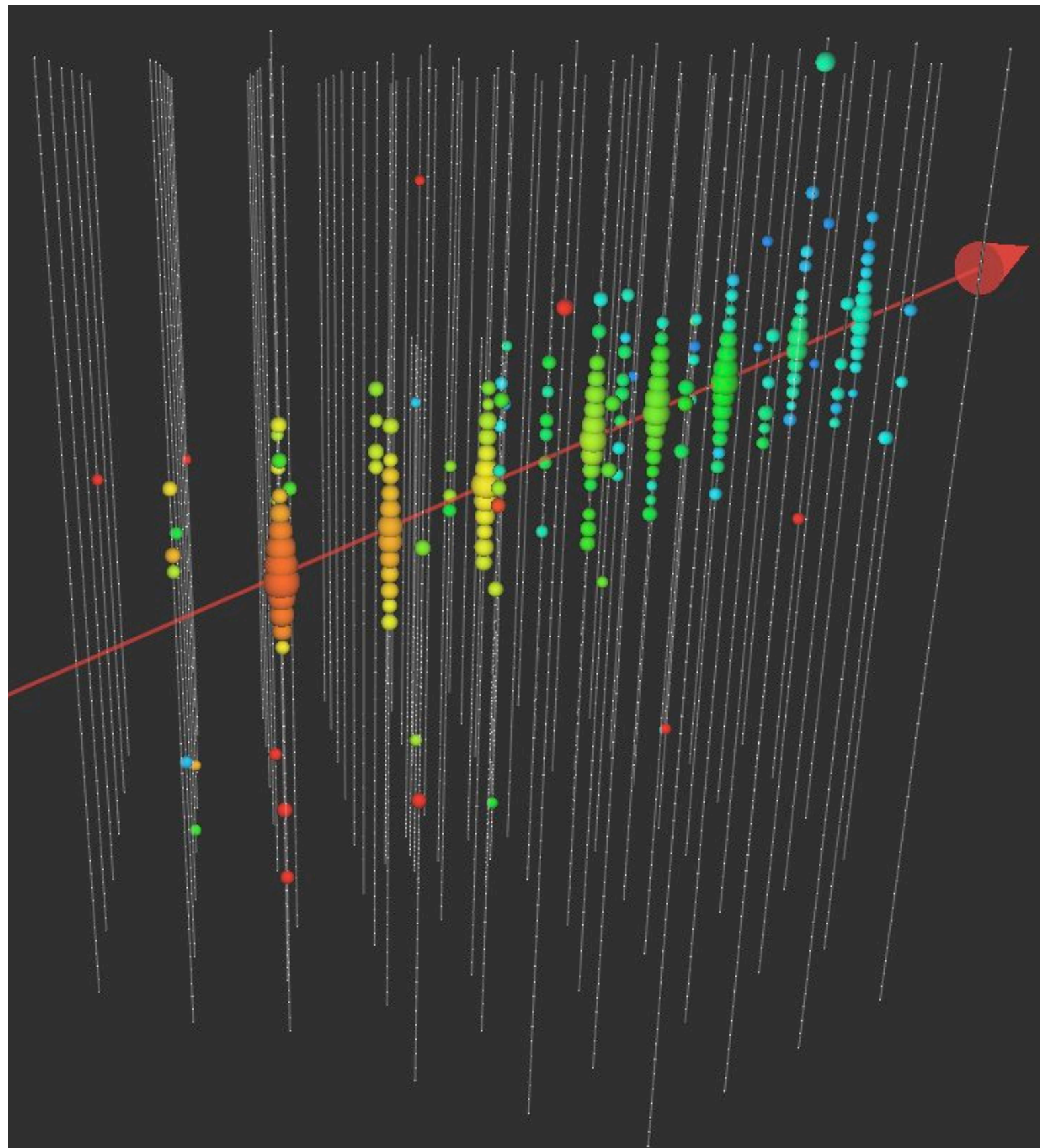
- Online Processing is performed at server in IceCub Lab at the south pole
- Offline Processing is performed on a computing cluster in the norther hemisphere
- Most analyses require additional processing beyond what is provided by offline processing, usually handled by working groups

# Getting Help

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# I3Frame is the building block of IceTray

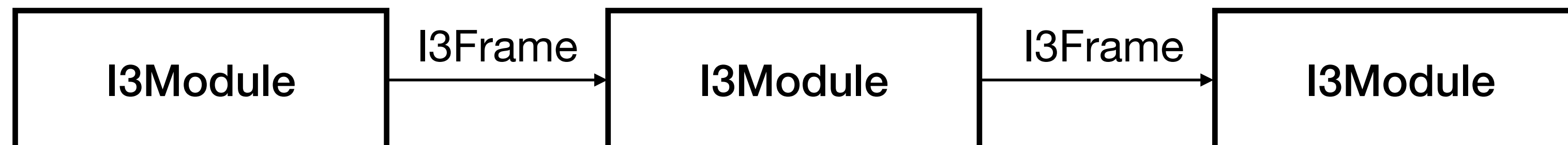


- I3Frames are a data container that stores all information about a particular event ( $\sim 10\mu\text{s}$ )
- Raw waveforms, processed pulses, and reconstruction results
- Any data structure that IceTray supports can be put into a frame
- Every object in the frame has a name or key
- I3Frames are what is written to disk to save data



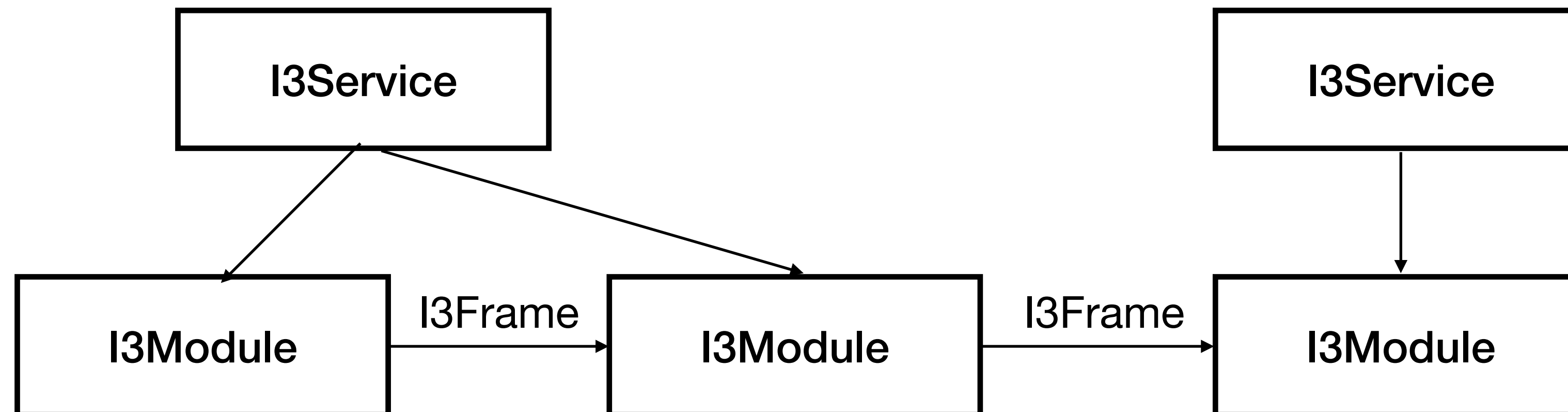
# I3Modules process the data in the frame

- I3Modules take data from I3Frames and process them and add more data to the frame
- Modules are arranged in a “Tray” which passes frames from one module to the next
- Each frame is processed serially — Every module will process a particular frame before the tray moves on to the next event (frame)



# Services provide code to multiple modules

Modules can access services such as a random number generator



# **Interactive Tutorials**

# An example of a Simple Tray

## Tray:

```
1  # Import icetray and dataio
2  from icecube import icetray, dataio
3
4  # Create a new Tray
5  tray = icetray.I3Tray()
6
7  # Add a module that produces an
8  # infinite number of empty frames
9  tray.Add("I3InfiniteSource")
10
11 # Add a module that prints the
12 # contents of each frame
13 tray.Add("Dump")
14
15 # Start the execution of the tray
16 # But only do 10 frames
17 tray.Execute(10)
```

## Output:

```
----- This is frame number 1 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 2 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 3 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 4 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 5 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 6 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 7 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 8 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 9 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
----- This is frame number 10 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
]
NOTICE (I3Tray): I3Tray finishing... (I3Tray.cxx:525 in void I3Tray::Execute(bool, unsigned int))
```

# Add an I3MCTree to the frame

```
1  # Import icetray and dataio
2  from icecube import icetray, dataio, dataclasses
3
4  def generator(frame):
5      # Add tree containing Monte Carlo particles
6      # to the frame
7      frame["tree"] = dataclasses.I3MCTree()
8
9  # Create a new Tray
10 tray = icetray.I3Tray()
11
12 # Add a module that produces an
13 # infinite number of empty frames
14 tray.Add("I3InfiniteSource")
15
16 # add generator to the
17 tray.Add(generator, streams=[icetray.I3Frame.DAQ])
18
19 # Add a module that prints the
20 # contents of each frame
21 tray.Add("Dump")
22
23 # Start the execution of the tray
24 # But only do 10 frames
25 tray.Execute(10)
26
```

Modules  
written  
Python

Modules  
written  
In C++

```
----- This is frame number 1 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 2 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 3 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 4 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 5 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 6 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 7 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'tree' [DAQ] ==> TreeBase::Tree<I3Particle, I3ParticleID, i3hash<I3ParticleID>> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 8 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
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----- This is frame number 10 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
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]
NOTICE (I3Tray): I3Tray finishing... (I3Tray.cxx:525 in void I3Tray::Execute(bool, unsigned int))
```

# Use a random service

```
1  # Import everything
2  from icecube import icetray, dataio, phys_services
3
4  # Module that gets a random number and prints it
5  class PrintRandom(icetray.I3Module):
6      def __init__(self, context):
7          icetray.I3Module.__init__(self, context)
8      def DAQ(self, frame):
9          #get a random number from the random number service
10         rnd = self.context["I3RandomService"].uniform(1)
11         #print that number
12         print(rnd)
13
14  # Create a new Tray
15  tray = icetray.I3Tray()
16
17  # add a random number service to the context with seed = 42
18  tray.context["I3RandomService"] = phys_services.I3GSLRandomService(42)
19
20  # Add a module that produces an
21  # infinite number of empty frames
22  tray.Add("I3InfiniteSource")
23
24  # add the module we defined above to the tray
25  tray.Add(PrintRandom)
26
27  # Start the execution of the tray
28  # But only do 10 frames
29  tray.Execute(10)
30
```

```
0.37454011430963874
0.7965429842006415
0.9507143115624785
0.18343478767201304
0.7319939383305609
0.7796909974422306
0.5986584862694144
0.5968501614406705
0.1560186385177076
0.4458327575121075
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```



# Add a random number to the frame

```
1  # Import everything
2  from icecube import icetray, dataio, dataclasses, phys_services
3
4  # Module that gets a random number and prints it
5  class AddRandomToFrame(icetray.I3Module):
6      def __init__(self, context):
7          icetray.I3Module.__init__(self, context)
8      def DAQ(self, frame):
9          #get a random number from the random number service
10         rnd = self.context["I3RandomService"].uniform(1)
11         #add that number to the frame as an I3Double
12         frame["random_number"] = dataclasses.I3Double(rnd)
13         # You need to pass the frame on to the next module
14         self.PushFrame(frame)
15
16 # Create a new Tray
17 tray = icetray.I3Tray()
18
19 # add a random number service to the context with seed = 42
20 tray.context["I3RandomService"] = phys_services.I3GSLRandomService(42)
21
22 # Add a module that produces an
23 # infinite number of empty frames
24 tray.Add("I3InfiniteSource")
25
26 # add the module we defined above to the
27 tray.Add(AddRandomToFrame)
28
29 # add module to print each frame
30 tray.Add("Dump")
31
32 # Start the execution of the tray
33 # But only do 10 frames
34 tray.Execute(10)
```

```
----- This is frame number 1 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 2 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 3 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 4 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
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[ I3Frame (DAQ):
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]
----- This is frame number 7 -----
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]
----- This is frame number 8 -----
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[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
----- This is frame number 10 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
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]
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2  from iccube import icetray, dataio, dataclasses, phys_services
3
4  # Module that gets a random number and prints it
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6      def __init__(self, context):
7          icetray.I3Module.__init__(self, context)
8      def DAQ(self, frame):
9          #get a random number from the random number service
10         rnd = self.context["I3RandomService"].uniform(1)
11         #add that number to the frame as an I3Double
12         frame["random_number"] = dataclasses.I3Double(rnd)
13         # You need to pass the frame on to the next module
14         self.PushFrame(frame)
15
16     # define filter that removes half of the events
17     def filter(frame):
18         return frame['random_number'] < 0.5
19
20     # Create a new Tray
21     tray = icetray.I3Tray()
22
23     # add a random number service to the context with seed = 42
24     tray.context["I3RandomService"] = phys_services.I3GSLRandomService(42)
25
26     # Add a module that produces an
27     # infinite number of empty frames
28     tray.Add("I3InfiniteSource")
29
30     # add the module we defined above to the frame
31     tray.Add(AddRandomToFrame)
32
33     #add filter to the tray
34     tray.Add(filter, streams = [icetray.I3Frame.DAQ])
35
36     # add module to print each frame
37     tray.Add("Dump")
38
39     # Start the execution of the tray
40     # But only do 10 frames
41     tray.Execute(10)

```

# Use a filter to remove Events based on the contents of the frame

```

----- This is frame number 1 -----
[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
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[ I3Frame (DAQ):
  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
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]
----- This is frame number 4 -----
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  'random_number' [DAQ] ==> I3PODHolder<double> (unk)
]
NOTICE (I3Tray): I3Tray finishing... (I3Tray.cxx:525 in void I3Tray::Execute(bool, unsigned int))
(venv312) kmoerber@KevinLaptop: ~/i3/ice (main)

```

- **In class assignment:** Add a neutrino to the I3MCtree with a random energy and write a filter to cut on its energy
- **Homework:** Add an secondary muon to the I3MCtree and write a filter to cut on its energy using a lambda

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