Software priorities

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Acting on priorities

- We have consensus on priorities: what next?
- Need to go from "yeah, we should do that" to actually knowing how we get it done
- We're not a top-down organization:
 - Nobody can keep track of everything that needs to be done
 - People closer to the work understand better what's involved
 - An "expert" in one task is a "learner" in another
 - Need direct person-to-person contact
- Due dates, not just priorities

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A proposal

- Spin out responsibility for priority items (let's call them "components") to individuals ("component leads")
- The lead is not the person who does all the work; the lead is the person who knows what work needs to be done
- Components have:
 - Defined requirements/deliverables and milestones
 - Simulation studies or system tests
 - Due dates
 - Tasks with assignees
- Leads should know what work is being done for their component
 - Make this part of the "software roundtable?"
 - JIRA



What does this mean for people?

- Leads should feel comfortable assigning tasks, asking for expert help, etc.
 - Not that others shouldn't! But if you're responsible for something that we need to run HPS, everyone is responsible for helping you
- If you're doing work for a component:
 - You should be talking to your lead/updating JIRA about what you're doing, even if it's incomplete
 - Your lead should know how oversubscribed you are with non-software work/other software components

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Components, leads (strawman)

- Needed for run:
 - Trigger tuning/monitoring: Kyle?
 - Data quality monitoring: Matt?
 - ECal monitoring/calibration: Stuart?
 - SVT monitoring/calibration: Omar?
 - Conditions: Jeremy?
 - DAQ/ET/EVIO: Jeremy? Sho?
- Needed for analysis:
 - ECal reconstruction: Holly?
 - Tracking/alignment: Pelle? Matt?
 - Event reconstruction and DST: Omar?
 - Physics analysis/MDC: Matt?
 - MC: Sho?
 - Data catalog: ?
- More? We can add things later as they come up



If this is OK, next steps:

- Over e-mail: discuss requirements with leads
- Leads should learn status, identify tasks, talk with other leads and non-software people about dependencies
- At upcoming software meetings, quick presentations on components
 - Emphasis on plans over status