

ROOT

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ROOT: An Open Source Project



- Started in 1995
- 11 full time developers at CERN, plus Fermilab, Agilent Tech, Japan, MIT (one each)
- Large number of part-time developers: let users participate
- Available (incl. source) under GNU LGPL

ROOT in a Nutshell



Framework for large scale data handling

Provides, among others,

- an efficient data storage, access and query system (PetaBytes)
- advanced statistical analysis algorithms (multi dimensional histogramming, fitting, minimization and cluster finding)
- scientific visualization: 2D and 3D graphics, Postscript, PDF, LateX
- geometrical modeller
- PROOF parallel query engine













Histogramming



- Histogram is just occurrence counting, i.e. how often they appear
- Example: {1,3,2,6,2,3,4,3,4,3,5}



Histogramming



• How is a Real Histogram Made? Lets consider the age distribution of the participants:



Binning:

Grouping ages of participants in several categories (bins)

Histogramming





Shows distribution of ages, total number of entries (57 participants) and average: 27 years 10 months 6 days...

Histograms



Analysis result: often a histogram

Menu: View / Editor



Fitting

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Analysis result: often a *fit* based on a histogram



Fit



Function describing the distribution of data Fit = optimization in parameters,

e.g. Gaussian
$$f(x) = [0] \cdot e^{-\frac{(x-[1])^2}{2 \cdot [2]^2}}$$

For Gaussian: $[0] = "Constant"$
 $[1] = "Mean"$
 $[2] = "Sigma" / "Width"$

Objective: choose parameters [0], [1], [2] to get function as close as possible to histogram



Fit Panel

To fit a histogram: right click histogram, "Fit Panel"

Straightforward interface for fitting!

😥 New Fit Panel	
Current selection: h1::TH1F	
General Minimization	
gaus 🔽 💿 Nop	O Add O Conv
gaus	
Selected:	Set Parameters
Fit Settings Method	
Chi-square 🔽	User-Defined
Linear fit Robust: 1.00	🗖 No Chi-square
Integral	🗖 Use range
Best errors	Improve fit results
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2D/3D



We have seen 1D histograms, but there are also histograms in more dimensions.



2D Fitting



Example of a fit over a 2D histogram



OpenGL



 OpenGL can be used to render 2D & 3D histograms, functions, parametric equations, and to visualize 3D objects (geometry)





Geometry



- Describes complex detector geometries
- Allows visualization of these detector geometries with e.g. OpenGL
- Optimized particle transport in complex geometries
- Working in correlation with simulation packages such as GEANT3, GEANT4 and FLUKA



EVE (Event Visualization Environment)



- Event: Collection of data from a detector (hits, tracks, ...)
- Use EVE to:
- Visualize these physics objects together with detector geometry (OpenGL)
- Visually interact with the data, e.g. select a particular track and retrieve its physical properties

EVE







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- Consider this simple question: How to estimate someone's life expectancy?
- This depends on many variables:





• Many variables? Parallel Coordinates



• This will not help to solve the problem, it only allows to visualize multiple variables



- Sample described by k variables (that are found to be discriminating)
- Samples can be classified into n categories: H₁... H_n
- E.g.
 - **−H**₁ : life exp. < 40
 - H₂ : life exp. 40..60
 - $-H_3$: life exp. > 60

 H_{3}

 x_2

 Example: k=2 variables x₁, x₂ n=3 categories H₁, H₂, H₃



Problem: Find boundaries between H_1 , H_2 , and H_3 such that f(x) returns the category of x with maximum correctness



Simple example \rightarrow I can do it by hand.

Large input variable space, complex correlations: manual optimization very difficult



Generic problem: find category for set of values To make such an estimation, we need two

phases:

- (Supervised) learning / training phase:
 - Take samples for which categories are known
 - Machine adapts to give the smallest classification error on training sample
- Processing phase:
 - The trained system can now analyze and produce output for any new sample

TMVA



- Framework offering a collection of data mining tools, e.g. NN (Neural Network), GA (Genetic Algorithm), ...
- In HEP mostly two class problems signal (S) and background (B)
 - Physics processes
 - Finding physics objects
 - Detector readout

Interlude: HELP!



ROOT is a framework – only as good as its documentation.

User's Guide (it has your answers!)

http://root.cern.ch

"What is TNamed? What functions does it have?"

Reference Guide

http://root.cern.ch/root/html

Let's fire up ROOT!







Starting Up ROOT



ROOT is prompt-based

\$ root

root [0]

Prompt speaks C++

root [0] gROOT->GetVersion();

(const char* 0x5ef7e8)"5.16/00"



ROOT As Pocket Calculator

Calculations:

```
root [0] sqrt(42)
(const double) 6.48074069840786038e+00
root [1] double val = 0.17;
root [2] sin(val)
(const double) 1.69182349066996029e-01
```

Uses C++ Interpreter CINT
Running Code



To run function mycode() in file mycode.C:

root [0] .x mycode.C

Equivalent: load file and run function:

root [0] .L mycode.C
root [1] mycode()

Quit:

root [0] .q

All of CINT's commands (help):

root [0] .h

ROOT Prompt



Why C++ and not a scripting language?! You'll write your code in C++, too. Support for python, ruby,... exists.

Why a prompt instead of a GUI? ROOT is a programming framework, not an office suite. Use GUIs where needed.

Running Code



Macro: file that is interpreted by CINT (.x)

```
int mymacro(int value)
{
    int ret = 42;
    ret += value;
    return ret;
}
```

Execute with .x mymacro.C(42)

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Compiling Code: ACLiC

Load code as shared lib, much faster:

.x mymacro (C+(42))

Uses the system's compiler, takes seconds Subsequent .x mymacro.C+(42) check for changes, only rebuild if needed

Exactly as fast as e.g. Makefile based standalone binary!

CINT knows types, functions in the file, e.g. call

mymacro(43)

Compiled versus Interpreted



Why compile?

Faster execution, CINT has limitations, validate code.

Why interpret?

Faster Edit \rightarrow Run \rightarrow Check result \rightarrow Edit cycles ("rapid prototyping"). Scripting is sometimes just easier.

Are Makefiles dead?

Yes! ACLiC is even platform independent!

A Little C[++]



Hopefully many of you know – but some don't.

- Object, constructor, assignment
- Pointer, reference
- Scope, destructor
- Stack vs. heap
- Inheritance, virtual functions

If you use C++ you *have* to understand these concepts!



Look at this code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
```

TNamed mySecond;

```
mySecond = myObject;
```

cout << mySecond.GetName() << endl;</pre>





Look at this code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
TNamed mySecond;
mySecond = myObject;
cout << m_Second.GetName() << endl;</pre>
```

Assignment:



myObject				
TNamed:				
fName	"name"			
fTitle	"title"			



Look at this code:

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TNamed myObject("name", "title");
```

TNamed mySecond;

```
mySecond = myObject;
```

cout << mySecond.GetName() << endl;</pre>

Assignment: creating a twin



myObject				
TNamed:				
fName	"name"			
fTitle	"title"			



Look at this code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
```

TNamed mySecond;

```
mySecond = myObject;
```

cout << mySecond.GetName() << endl;</pre>

New content





Modified code:

TNamed myObject("name", "title");
TNamed* pMySecond = 0;
pMySecond = &myObject;
cout << pMySecond->GetName() << endl;</pre>

Pointer declared with "*", initialize to 0



Modified code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
TNamed* pMySecond = 0;
pMySecond = &myObject;
cout << pMySecond->GetName() << endl;</pre>
```

Assignment: point to myObject; no copy



my	Object
f	[address] "
fT	itle "title"



Modified code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
```

TNamed* pMySecond = 0;

pMySecond = &myObject;

cout << pMy cond->GetName() << endl;</pre>

Assignment: "&" creates reference:





Modified code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
```

```
TNamed* pMySecond = 0;
```

```
pMySecond = &myObject;
```

```
cout << pMySecond->GetName() << endl;</pre>
```

Access members of value pointed to by "->"



Modified code:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
TNamed* pMySecond = 0;
pMySecond = &myObject;
cout << (*pMySecond).GetName() << endl;</pre>
```

Or dereference pointer by "*" and then access like object with "."



Changes propagated:

```
TNamed myObject("name", "title");
TNamed* pMySecond = 0;
pMySecond = &myObject;
pMySecond->SetName("newname");
cout << myObject.GetName() << endl;</pre>
```

Pointer forwards to object

Name of object changed – prints "newname"!

Object vs. Pointer



Compare object:

TNamed myObject("name", "title");

TNamed mySecond = myObject;

cout << mySecond.GetName() << endl;</pre>

to pointer:

TNamed myObject("name", "title");

TNamed* pMySecond = &myObject;

cout << pMySecond->GetName() << endl;</pre>

Object vs. Pointer: Parameters



Calling functions: object parameter obj gets

copied for function call! void funcO(TNamed obj);
TNamed myObject;
funcO(myObject);

Pointer parameter: only address passed,

no copy

void funcP(TNamed* ptr);
TNamed myObject;
funcP(&myObject);

Object vs. Pointer: Parameters



Functions changing parameter: funcO can only

access copy! caller not changed!

void funcO(TNamed obj) {
 obj.SetName("nope");
}

```
funcO(caller);
```

Using pointers (or references) funcP can

change caller

```
void funcP(TNamed* ptr) {
    ptr->SetName("yes");
```

```
funcP(&caller);
```

Scope



Scope: range of accessibility and C++ "life".

Birth: constructor, death: destructor

```
{ // birth: TNamed() called
  TNamed n;
} // death: ~TNamed() called
```

Variables are valid / accessible only in scopes:

int a = 42;
{ int a = 0; }
cout << a << endl;</pre>



must not return pointers to local variables! TNamed* func() {
 TNamed obj;
 return &obj; // BAD!
}

Stack vs. Heap



So far only stack:

TNamed myObj("n","t");

Fast, but often < 10MB. Only survive in scope.

Heap: slower, GBs (RAM + swap), creation and destruction managed by user:

TNamed* pMyObj = new TNamed("n","t");
delete pMyObj; // or memory leak!

Stack vs. Heap: Functions



Can return heap objects without copying:

TNamed* CreateNamed() {

// user must delete returned obj!

TNamed* ptr = new TNamed("n","t");

return ptr; }

ptr gone – but TNamed object still on the heap, address returned!

TNamed* pMyObj = CreateNamed(); cout << pMyObj->GetName() << endl; delete pMyObj; // or memory leak!

Inheritance



Classes "of same kind" can re-use functionality

E.g. TPlate, TBowl both dishes:

class	TPlate:	public	TDish	{ }	;
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class TBowl: public TDish {...};

Can implement common functions in TDish:

```
class TDish {
  public:
    void Wash();
}
```





Use TPlate, TBowl as dishes: assign pointer of derived to pointer of base "every plate is a dish"

TDish	*a	=	new	TPlate	()	;
-------	----	---	-----	--------	----	---

```
TDish *b = new TBowl();
```

But not every dish is a plate, i.e. the inverse doesn't work. And a bowl is totally not a plate!

TPlate* p = new TDish(); // NO!
TPlate* q = new TBowl(); // NO!

Virtual Functions



Often derived classes behave differently:

```
class TDish { ...
  virtual bool ForSoup() const;
};
class TPlate: public TDish { ...
  bool ForSoup() const {return false;}
};
class TBowl: public TDish { ...
  bool ForSoup() const {return true;}
};
```



Pure Virtual Functions

But TDish cannot know! Mark as "not implemented"

```
class TDish { ...
  virtual bool ForSoup() const = 0;
};
```

Only for virtual functions.

Cannot create object of TDish anymore (one function is missing!)

Calling Virtual Functions



Call to virtual functions evaluated at runtime:

```
void FillWithSoup(TDish* dish) {
```

```
if (dish->ForSoup())
```

```
dish->SetFull();
```

Works for any type as expected:

```
TDish* a = new TPlate();
TDish* b = new TBowl();
FillWithSoup(a); // will not be full
FillWithSoup(b); // is now full
```

}





So what happens if non-virtual?

```
class TDish { ...
bool ForSoup() const {return false;}
};
```

Will now always call TDish::ForSoup(), i.e. false

```
void FillWithSoup(TDish* dish) {
    if (dish->ForSoup())
        dish->SetFull();
}
```

Congrats!



Fine print: * comes with lifelong subscription, this diploma is worth nothing if not exercised regularly

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Summary



We know:

- why and how to start ROOT
- C++ basics
- that you run your code with ".x"
- can call functions in libraries
- can (mis-) use ROOT as a pocket calculator!

Lots for you to discover during next two lectures and especially the exercises!



Saving Data

Streaming, Reflection, TFile, Schema Evolution

Saving Objects



Cannot do in C++:

```
TNamed* o; TNamed* p;
o = new TNamed("name", "title");
std::write("file.bin", "obj1", o);
p = std::read("file.bin", "obj1");
p->GetName();
```

E.g. LHC experiments use C++ to manage data Need to write C++ objects and read them back std::cout not an option: 15PetaBytes / year of processed data (i.e. data that will be read)





TNamed*	0;	
o = new	TNamed ("name",	"title");
std::wri	.te("file.bin",	"obj1", o);

Store data members of TNamed; need to know:

- 1) type of object
- 2) data members for the type
- 3) where data members are in memory
- 4) read their values from memory, write to disk

Serialization



Store data members of TNamed: serialization

- 1) type of object: runtime-type-information RTTI
- 2) data members for the type: reflection
- 3) where data members are in memory: introspection
- 4) read their values from memory, write to disk: raw I/O

Complex task, and C++ is not your friend.
Reflection



Need type description (aka reflection)

1. types, sizes, members

TMyClass is a class.

```
class TMyClass {
  float fFloat;
  Long64_t fLong;
};
```

Members:

- "fFloat", type float, size 4 bytes
- "fLong", type Long64_t, size 8 bytes

Platform Data Types



Fundamental data types (int, long,...): size is platform dependent

Store "long" on 64bit platform, writing 8 bytes: 00, 00, 00, 00, 00, 00, 00, 42 Read on 32bit platform, "long" only 4 bytes: 00, 00, 00, 00

Data loss, data corruption!

ROOT Basic Data Types Solution: ROOT typedefs



Reflection



Need type description (platform dependent)

- 1. types, sizes, members
- 2. offsets in memory



class TMyClass {
 float fFloat;
 Long64_t fLong;
};

"fFloat" is at offset 0 "fLong" is at offset 8



I/O Using Reflection members \rightarrow memory \rightarrow disk





C++ Is Not Java

Lesson: need reflection! Where from?

Java: get data members with

Class.forName("MyClass").getFields()

C++: get data members with – oops. Not part of C++.

BE CAREFUL

THIS LANGUAGE HAS NO BRAIN USE YOUR OWN

ROOT And Reflection



Simply use ACLiC:

.L MyCode.cxx+

Creates library with reflection data ("dictionary") of all types in MyCode.cxx!

Dictionary needed for interpreter, too ROOT has dictionary for all its types

Back To Saving Objects: TFile



ROOT stores objects in TFiles:

TFile* f = new TFile("file.root", "NEW");

TFile behaves like file system:

f->mkdir("dir");

TFile has a current directory: f->cd("dir");

TFile compresses data ("zip"):

f->GetCompressionFactor()
2.61442160606384277e00



Saving Objects, Really

Given a TFile:

TFile* f = new TFile("file.root", "RECREATE");

Write an object deriving from TObject:

object->Write("optionalName")

"optionalName" or TObject::GetName()

Write any object (with dictionary):

f->WriteObject(object, "name");



"Where Is My Histogram?"

TFile owns histograms, graphs, trees (due to historical reasons):

```
TFile* f = new TFile("myfile.root");
TH1F* h = new TH1F("h","h",10,0.,1.);
h->Write();
TCanvas* c = new TCanvas();
c->Write();
delete f;
```

h automatically deleted: owned by file.
 c still there. → names unique!
 TFile acts like a scope for hists, graphs, trees!
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Risks With I/O

Physicists can loop a lot: For each particle collision For each particle created For each detector module Do something. Physicists can loose a lot: Run for hours... Crash.

Everything lost.



Name Cycles



Create snapshots regularly: MyObject;1 MyObject;2

Write() does not replace but append! but see documentation TObject::Write()

The "I" Of I/O



Reading is simple:

```
TFile* f = new TFile("myfile.root");
TH1F* h = 0;
f->GetObject("h", h);
h->Draw();
delete f;
```

Remember:

TFile owns histograms! file gone, histogram gone!



Ownership And TFiles

Separate TFile and histograms:

```
TFile* f = new TFile("myfile.root");
TH1F* h = 0;
TH1::AddDirectory(kFALSE);
f->GetObject("h", h);
h->Draw();
delete f;
```

... and h will stay around.



Changing Class – The Problem

Things change:

```
class TMyClass {
  float fFloat;
  Long64 t fLong;
};
```



Changing Class – The Problem

Things change:

```
class TMyClass {
   double fFloat;
   Long64_t fLong;
};
```

Inconsistent reflection data, mismatch in memory, on disk

Objects written with old version cannot be read Need to store reflection with data to detect!

Schema Evolution



Simple rules to convert disk to memory layout

1. skip removed members



2. default-initialize added members



3. convert members where possible

Class Version



ClassDef() macro makes I/O faster, needed when deriving from TObject

Can have multiple class versions in same file Use version number to identify layout:

```
class TMyClass: public TObject {
public:
   TMyClass(): fLong(0), fFloat(0.) {}
   virtual ~TMyClass() {}
   ...
   ClassDef(TMyClass,1); // example class
};
```

Reading Files



Files store reflection and data: need no library!



Powers of ROOT I/O



- Can even open TFile("http://myserver.com/afile.root") including read-what-you-need!
- Nice viewer for TFile: new TBrowser
- Combine contents of TFiles with \$ROOTSYS/bin/hadd

Summary



Big picture:

- you know ROOT files for petabytes of data
- you learned what schema evolution is
- you learned that reflection is key for I/O

Small picture:

- you can write your own data to files
- you can read it back
- you can change the definition of your classes





Collection Classes



ROOT collections polymorphic containers: hold pointers to **TObject**, so:

- Can only hold objects that inherit from TObject
- Return pointers to **TObject**, that have to be cast back to the correct subclass

```
void DrawHist(TObjArray *vect, int at)
{
    TH1F *hist = (TH1F*)vect->At(at);
    if (hist) hist->Draw();
}
```

TObjArray



- Like vector<TObject *>, supports traditional array semantics:
 - Objects can be directly accessed via an index with the operator[]
 - Expands automatically when objects are added

TClonesArray



Array of objects of the same class ("clones") Designed for repetitive data analysis tasks: same type of objects created and deleted many times.

No comparable class in STL!



The internal data structure of a TClonesArray

Traditional Arrays



Very large number of new and delete calls in large loops like this (N(100000) x N(10000) times

new/delete):



```
TObjArray a(10000);
while (TEvent *ev = (TEvent *)next()) {
  for (int i = 0; i < ev->Ntracks; ++i) {
     a[i] = new TTrack(x,y,z,...);
     ...
     ...
     a.Delete();
}
```



Pair of new / delete calls cost about 4 µs Allocating / freeing memory NN(10⁹) times costs about 1 hour!



ROOT Trees



From: Simple data types (e.g. Excel tables)

х	у	Z
-1.10228	-1.79939	4.452822
1.867178	-0.59662	3.842313
-0.52418	1.868521	3.766139
-0.38061	0.969128	1.084074
0.552454	-0.21231	0.350281
-0.18495	1.187305	1.443902
0.205643	-0.77015	0.635417
1.079222	-0.32739	1.271904
-0.27492	-1.72143	3.038899
2.047779	-0.06268	4.197329
-0.45868	-1.44322	2.293266
0.304731	-0.88464	0.875442
-0.71234	-0.22239	0.556881
-0.27187	1.181767	1.470484
0.886202	-0.65411	1.213209
-2.03555	0.527648	4.421883
-1.45905	-0.464	2.344113
1.230661	-0.00565	1.514559
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Trees





Trees



- Databases have row wise access
 - Designed to store complete objects.
 - Data clustering is organized around objects and containers of objects.
 - Can only access the full object (e.g. full event)
- ROOT trees have column wise access
 - Direct access to any event, any branch or any leaf even in the case of variable length structures
 - Designed to access only a subset of the object attributes (e.g. only particles' energy)

Why Trees ?



object.Write() convenient for simple objects like histograms, inappropriate for saving collections of events containing complex objects

- Reading a collection: read all elements (all events)
- With trees: only one element in memory, or even only a part of it (less I/O)

Why Trees ?



- Extremely efficient write once, read many ("WORM")
- Designed to store >10⁹ (HEP events) with same data structure
- Trees allow fast direct and random access to any entry (sequential access is the best)
- Optimized for network access



Building ROOT Trees

Overview of

- Trees
- Branches
- 5 steps to build a TTree

Tree structure



ROOT Browser				
<u>F</u> ile <u>V</u> iew <u>O</u> ptions				
🔄 fTracks 💽 💼 🐩				
All Folders	Contents of "/ROOT Files/tree4.root/t4/event_split/fTracks"			
📄 root	Name	Title		
PROOF Sessions	🔖 fTracks.fBits	fBits[fTracks_]		
C:\home\bellenot\root\tutorials\tree	🔖 fTracks.fBx	fBx[fTracks_]		
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fEvtHdr	እ fTracks.fNsp	fNsp[fTracks_]		
Cantracks	🔉 fTracks.fPointValue	fPointValue[fTracks_]		
fH	እ fTracks.fPx	fPx[fTracks_]		
	tTracks.fPy	fPy[fTracks_]		
GetHistogram()	Tracks fBr	fBrifTracka 1		

Tree structure



- Branches: directories
- Leaves: data containers
- Can read a subset of all branches speeds up considerably the data analysis processes
- Tree layout can be optimized for data analysis
- The class for a branch is called TBranch
- Variables on TBranch are called leaf (yes TLeaf)
- Branches of the same TTree can be written to separate files

Memory \leftrightarrow Tree



Each Node is a branch in the Tree




Five Steps to Build a Tree

Steps:

- 1. Create a TFile
- 2. Create a TTree
- 3. Add TBranch to the TTree
- 4. Fill the tree
- 5. Write the file

Example macro



```
void WriteTree()
```

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```
Event *myEvent = new Event();
TFile f("AFile.root");
TTree *t = new TTree("myTree","A Tree");
t->Branch("EventBranch", myEvent);
for (int e=0;e<100000;++e) {
    myEvent->Generate(); // hypothetical
    t->Fill();
}
t->Write();
```

Step 1: Create a TFile Object



AFile.root

Trees can be huge → need file for swapping filled entries

TFile *hfile = new TFile("AFile.root");

Step 2: Create a TTree Object



The TTree constructor:

- -Tree name (e.g. "myTree")
- -Tree title



TTree *tree = new TTree("myTree", "A Tree");



Step 3: Adding a Branch

- Branch name
- Pointer to the object



Event *myEvent = new Event();
myTree->Branch("eBranch", myEvent);

Step 4: Fill the Tree

- Create a for loop
- Assign values to the object contained in each branch
- TTree::Fill() creates a new entry in the tree: snapshot of values of branches' objects





Step 5: Write Tree To File





myTree->Write();



Reading a TTree

- Looking at a tree
- How to read a tree
- Friends and chains

Example macro



```
void ReadTree()
1
  Event *myEvent = 0;
  TFile f("AFile.root");
  TTree *myTree = (TTree*)f->Get("myTree");
 myTree->SetBranchAddress("EventBranch",
                            myEvent);
  for (int e=0;e<100000;++e) {</pre>
     myTree->GetEntry(e);
     myEvent->Analyze();
     The pointer (myEvent) MUST be set to 0
```

How to Read a TTree





How to Read a TTree



3. Create a variable pointing to the data root [] Event *myEvent = 0;

4. Associate a branch with the variable:

root [] myTree->SetBranchAddress("eBranch", myEvent);

5. Read one entry in the TTree

root [] myTree->GetEntry(0)

root [] myEvent->GetTracks()->First()->Dump()

fPx	0.651241	Χ	component	of	the	momentum
fPy	1.02466	Y	component	of	the	momentum
fPz	1.2141	Z	component	of	the	momentum
г 1						

[...]

Branch Access Selection



- Use TTree::SetBranchStatus() to activate only the branches holding wanted variables.
- Speed up considerably the reading phase

```
TClonesArray* myMuons = 0;
// disable all branches
myTree->SetBranchStatus("*", 0);
// re-enable the "muon" branches
myTree->SetBranchStatus("muon*", 1);
myTree->SetBranchAddress("muon",myMuons);
// now read (access) only the "muon" branches
myTree->GetEntry(0);
```

Looking at the Tree



TTree::Print() shows the data layout

root [] TFile f("AFile.root")

root [] myTree->Print();

*******	*******	****	***	******	******	******	*******	******	******	****	*****	**
*Tree	:myTree		:	A ROOT	tree							*
*Entries	•	10	:	Total =	=	867935	bytes	File	Size =	39	90138	*
*	•		:	Tree co	ompression	factor	= 2.7	72				*
*******	******	****	***	******	******	*****	******	******	****	****	*****	**
*Branch	:eBranch	ı									*	
*Entries	:	10	:	Branch	Element (s	ee belo	(w					*
*			•••			• • • • • • •			• • • • • • •			. *
*Br 0	:fUnique	≥ID	:									*
*Entries	•	10	:	Total	Size=	698	bytes	One ba	sket in	memor	ry	*
*Baskets	•	0	:	Basket	Size=	64000	bytes	Compre	ssion=	1.00	0	*
*			•••									*

...

Looking at the Tree



TTree::Scan("leaf:leaf:....") shows the values

root [] myTree->Scan("fNseg:fNtrack"); > scan.txt

**	***	**;	*******	***	*****	**:	******	***	*****	***	******	*
*	Row	*	Instance	*	fEvtHdr.fDate	*	fNtrack	*	fPx	*	fPy	*
**	***	**;	*****	***	*****	**:	******	***	*****	***	*****	*
*	0	*	0	*	960312	*	594	*	2.07	*	1.459911346	*
*	0	*	1	*	960312	*	594	*	0.903	*	-0.4093382061	*
*	0	*	2	*	960312	*	594	*	0.696	*	0.3913401663	*
*	0	*	3	*	960312	*	594	*	-0.638	*	1.244356871	*
*	0	*	4	*	960312	*	594	*	-0.556	*	-0.7361358404	*
*	0	*	5	*	960312	*	594	*	-1.57	*	-0.3049036264	*
*	0	*	6	*	960312	*	594	*	0.0425	*	-1.006743073	*
*	0	*	7	*	960312	*	594	*	-0.6	*	-1.895804524	*

TTree Selection Syntax

```
MyTree->Scan();
```

Prints the first 8 variables of the tree.

```
MyTree->Scan("*");
```

Prints all the variables of the tree.

Select specific variables:

```
MyTree->Scan("var1:var2:var3");
```

Prints the values of var1, var2 and var3.

A selection can be applied in the second argument:

MyTree->Scan("var1:var2:var3", "var1>0");

Prints the values of var1, var2 and var3 for the entries where var1 is greater than 0

Use the same syntax for TTree::Draw()

Looking at the Tree



TTree::Show(entry_number) shows the values for one entry

<pre>root [] myTree->Show(0);</pre>						
====> EVENT:0						
eBranch	= NULL					
fUniqueID	= 0					
fBits	= 50331648					
[]						
fNtrack	= 594					
fNseg	= 5964					
[]						
fEvtHdr.fRun	= 200					
[]						
fTracks.fPx	= 2.066806, 0.903484, 0.695610, -0.637773,					
fTracks.fPy	$= 1.459911, -0.409338, 0.391340, 1.244357, \ldots$					

TChain: the Forest



- Collection of TTrees: list of ROOT files containing the same tree
- Same semantics as TTree

As an example, assume we have three files called file1.root, file2.root, file3.root. Each contains tree called "T". Create a chain:

```
TChain chain("T"); // argument: tree name
chain.Add("file1.root");
chain.Add("file2.root");
chain.Add("file3.root");
```

Now we can use the TChain like a TTree!



Data Volume & Organisation





- A TFile typically contains 1 TTree
- A TChain is a collection of TTrees or/and TChains
- A TChain is typically the result of a query to a file catalog



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Summary: Trees, basics



- TTree is one of the most powerful collections
 available for HEP
- Extremely efficient for huge number of data sets with identical layout
- Very easy to look at TTree use TBrowser!
- Write once, read many (WORM) ideal for experiments' data
- Still: extensible, users can add their own tree as friend

Splitting





Split level = 0

Split level = 99

Splitting



- Creates one branch per member recursively
- Allows to browse objects that are stored in trees, even without their library
- Makes same members consecutive, e.g. for object with position in X, Y, Z, and energy E, all X are consecutive, then come Y, then Z, then E. A lot higher zip efficiency!
- Fine grained branches allow fain-grained I/O read only members that are needed, instead of full object
- Supports STL containers, too!

Splitting



Setting the split level (default = 99)



Performance Considerations



A split branch is:

- Faster to read the type does not have to be read each time
- Slower to write due to the large number of branches



Analyzing Trees

Selectors, Analysis, PROOF

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Recap



TTree efficient storage and access for huge amounts of structured data Allows selective access of data TTree knows its layout

Almost all HEP analyses based on TTree

TTree Data Access



TSelector: generic "TTree based analysis"

- Derive from it ("TMySelector")
- ROOT invokes TSelector's functions,
- Used e.g. by tree->Process(TSelector*,...), PROOF
- Functions called are virtual, thus TMySelector's functions called.

TSelector



Steps of ROOT using a TSelector:

- setup Init(TTree*) called to inform selector about tree
- 2. start SlaveBegin()
 called to create histograms
- **3.** *run* Process(Long64_t) called for each entry to load and analyze it
- 4. end Terminate()called to fit histograms, write them to files,...



TTree Data Access







TSelector: Usage

- Init(TTree* tree):
 e.g. TMySelector::fChain = tree.
 Set branch addresses.
- SlaveBegin(): create histograms
- Process(Long64_t entry): fChain->GetTree()->GetEntry(entry); fill histograms
- Terminate(): fit; save histograms

Analysis Example



- Determine trigger efficiencies from data, typical ingredient in analyses
- Trigger selection before writing data: not all events available
- Usually higher energy is taken, lower is ignored
- Example 15GeV muon trigger: events with a muon > 15GeV transverse momentum ("pT") are recorded.

beam

Ideal Trigger



Efficiency: probability to record an event with a given (transverse) muon momentum



Trigger Example



Example for a trigger from STAR @ BNL



Trigger Efficiency From Data



Look at data triggered by 15GeV muon trigger:

for each event's muon:

T=triggered, N=not triggered

{T} {NTN}{TT}{NT}{NT}{TT}...

But this sample doesn't see {N}, {NN}, {NNN},...

```
eff = |T| / all = |T| / (|T| + |N|)
```

But |N| unknown! Cannot determine efficiency! Instead: need muons that are independent of trigger ("unbiased")

Dice And Tag / Probe



Think of two dice



Want probability for "6" ("6" trigger efficiency) Have only triggered data, all results have >1 "6" {1,6}, {6,4}, {6,6}, {1,6},...

Solution: one die has 6, the other is unbiased!

Result: N, N, T, N,... will yield 1/6


Muons And Tag / Probe

Solution: events with >1 muon

For each muon:

if exists other muon causing trigger: this muon is unbiased!

Need trigger decision stored with data, as in: "other muon caused the 15GeV muon trigger"

Get Data From TTree



In TSelector::Init(tree) select branches and connect tree with our member fMuons:

TTree* t = fChain->GetTree(); t->SetBranchStatus("*", 0); // all off t->SetBranchStatus("muons*", 1); // but muons t->SetBranchAddress("muons", fMuons);

TTree::GetEntry(i) will load data from branch muons into fMuons; can access data via

fMuons



TClonesArray



fMuons could be TClonesArray:

```
TClonesArray* fMuons; // array of TMuon
class TMuon: public TObject {
  public:
    ...
    float Pt() const;
    bool Mu15() const; // triggered
};
```

Print pT of the i-th muon:

```
TMuon* muon = (TMuon*) fMuons->At(i);
cout << muon->Pt() << endl;
```

Determine Efficiency



Take a random muon number i ("probe")

- Check that another muon ("tag") has caused trigger, then:
 - ++ all[probe->pT()]
 - if probe muon has triggered:
 - ++fired[probe->pT()]
- efficiency[pT] = fired[pT] / all[pT]
- Counting in pT-bins use histogram
- Division: binomial errors, check Wikipedia ;-)

Result



Dividing probes / tags yields sampled efficiency "Bumpy" because of low numbers of events





Fit



Combine our knowledge with statistics / data by fitting a distribution:

- Find appropriate function with parameters
- 2. Fit function to distribution



Fitting: The Function



Finding the proper function involves:

- behavioral analysis: starts at 0, goes to constant, monotonic,...
- physics interpretation:
 "E proportional to sin^2(phi)"
- having a good knowledge of typical functions (see TMath)
- finding a good compromise between generalization ("constant") and precision ("polynomial 900th degree")

Fitting: The Function



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Fitting: Parameters



Let's take "erf" erf(x)/2.+0.5

Free parameters:

(erf((x-[0])/[1])/2.+0.5)*[2]

- [0]: x @ center of the slope
- [1]: width of the slope
- [2]: maximum efficiency

How do I know? Study function behavior [2]



Fitting: Parameter Init

Need to initialize parameters! sensible: [0]: 35, [1]: 10, [2]: 1



Fitting: The Math



Fitting = finding parameters such that f(x) – hist(x)

minimal for all x [or any similar measure]

Histogram with errors: f(x) – hist(x) / err(x) [or similar]



Fitting In ROOT



Define fit function:

```
TF1* f = new TF1("myfit",
```

```
"(TMath::Erf((x-[0])/[1])/2.+0.5)*[2]"
0., 100.);
```

Set parameters:

Fit it to the histogram:

hist->Fit(f);



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Analysis: Recap



We started with the trigger problem – and ended with an answer

You now know

- how to determine trigger efficiency from triggered data
- why large samples are relevant
- what fitting is, how it works, when to do it, and how it's done with ROOT.



Interactive Data Analysis with PROOF

Bleeding Edge Physics with Bleeding Edge Computing

Parallel Analysis: PROOF



Some numbers (from Alice experiment)

- 1.5 PB (1.5 * 10¹⁵) of raw data per year
- 360 TB of ESD+AOD* per year (20% of raw)
- One pass at 15 MB/s will take 9 months!

Parallelism is the only way out!

* ESD: Event Summary Data AOD: Analysis Object Data

PROOF



Huge amounts of events, hundreds of CPUs Split the job into N events / CPU! PROOF for TSelector based analysis:

- start analysis locally ("client"),
- PROOF distributes data and code,
- lets CPUs ("workers") run the analysis,
- collects and combines (merges) data,
- shows analysis results locally
- More dynamic than a batch system Including on-the-fly status reports!

Interactive!

- Start analysis
- Watch status while running
- Forgot to create a histogram?
 - Interrupt the process
 - Modify the selector
 - Re-start the analysis





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Creating a session



To create a PROOF session from the ROOT prompt, just type:

TProof *p = TProof::Open("master")

where "master" is the hostname of the master machine on the PROOF cluster

PROOF Analysis



• Example of local TChain analysis

```
// Create a chain of trees
root[0] TChain *c = new TChain("myTree");
root[1] c->Add("http://www.any.where/file1.root");
root[2] c->Add("http://www.any.where/file2.root");
```

```
// MySelector is a TSelector
root[3] c->Process("MySelector.C+");
```

PROOF Analysis



Same example with PROOF

```
// Create a chain of trees
root[0] TChain *c = new TChain("myTree");
root[1] c->Add("http://www.any.where/file1.root");
root[2] c->Add("http://www.any.where/file2.root");
// Start PROOF and tell the chain to use it
root[3] TProof::Open("masterURL");
root[4] c->SetProof();
// Process goes via PROOF
root[5] c->Process("MySelector.C+");
```

TSelector & PROOF



- Begin() called on the client only
- SlaveBegin() called on each worker: create histograms
- SlaveTerminate() rarely used; post processing of partial results before they are sent to master and merged
- Terminate() runs on the client: save results, display histograms, ...

PROOF Analysis





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Output List (result of the query)



- Each worker has a partial output list
- Objects have to be added to the list in TSelector::SlaveBegin() e.g.:

fHist = new TH1F("h1", "h1", 100, -3., 3.);
fOutput->Add(fHist);

- At the end of processing the output list gets sent to the master
- The Master merges objects and returns them to the client. Merging is e.g. "Add()" for histograms, appending for lists and trees

Results



At the end of Process(), the output list is accessible via gProof->GetOutputList()

```
// Get the output list
root[0] TList *output = gProof->GetOutputList();
// Retrieve 2D histogram "h2"
root[1] TH2F *h2 = (TH2F*)output->FindObject("h2");
// Display the histogram
root[2] h2->Draw();
```

PROOF GUI Session



Starting a PROOF GUI session is trivial:

TProof::Open()

Opens GUI:



PROOF GUI Session – Results 💿



Results accessible via TSessionViewer, too:



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PROOF Documentation



Documentation available online at root.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/ROOT/PROOF But of course you need a little cluster of CPUs

Like your multicore laptop!



Summary



You've learned:

- analyzing a TTree can be easy and efficient
- integral part of physics is counting
- ROOT provides histogramming and fitting
- > 1 CPU: use PROOF!

Looking forward to hearing from you:

- as a user (help! bug! suggestion!)
- and as a developer!