

Introduction to ROOT

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- Nomenclature
 - Blue: you type it
 - Red: you get it



ROOT in a Nutshell

- ROOT is a large Object-Oriented data handling and analysis framework
- Efficient object store scaling from KB's to PB's
- C++ interpreter
- Extensive 2D+3D scientific data visualization capabilities
- Extensive set of multi-dimensional histograming, data fitting, modeling and analysis methods
- Complete set of GUI widgets
- Classes for threading, shared memory, networking, etc.
- Parallel version of analysis engine runs on clusters and multi-core
- Fully cross platform: Unix/Linux, MacOS X and Windows



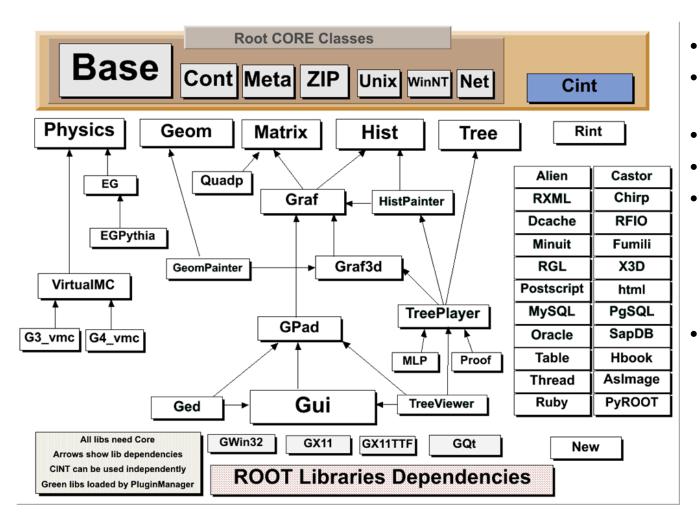
ROOT in a Nutshell (2)

- The user interacts with ROOT via a graphical user interface, the command line or scripts
- The command and scripting language is C++
 - Embedded CINT C++ interpreter
 - Large scripts can be compiled and dynamically loaded

And for you? ROOT is usually the interface (and sometimes the barrier) between you and the data



The ROOT Libraries



- Over 2500 classes
- 3,000,000 lines of code
- CORE (8 Mbytes)
- CINT (2 Mbytes)
- Most libraries linked on demand via plug-in manager (only a subset shown)
- 100 shared libs



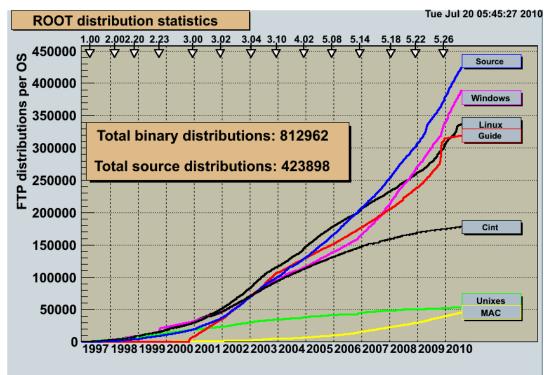
ROOT: An Open Source Project

- The project was started in Jan 1995
- First release Nov 1995
- The project is developed as a collaboration between:
 - Full time developers:
 - 7 people full time at CERN (PH/SFT)
 - 2 developers at Fermilab/USA
 - Large number of part-time contributors (160 in CREDITS file)
 - A long list of users giving feedback, comments, bug fixes and many small contributions
 - 4609 registered to RootTalk forum
 - 10,000 posts per year
- An Open Source Project, source available under the LGPL license
- Used by all HEP experiments in the world
- Used in many other scientific fields and in commercial world



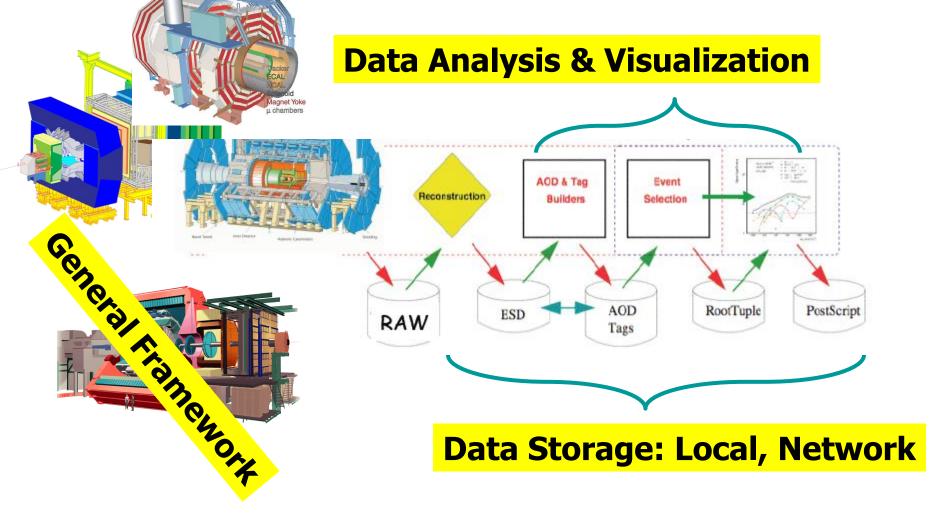
Some ROOT Statistics

- ROOT binaries have been downloaded more than 800,000 times since 1997
- The estimated user base is about 20,000 people



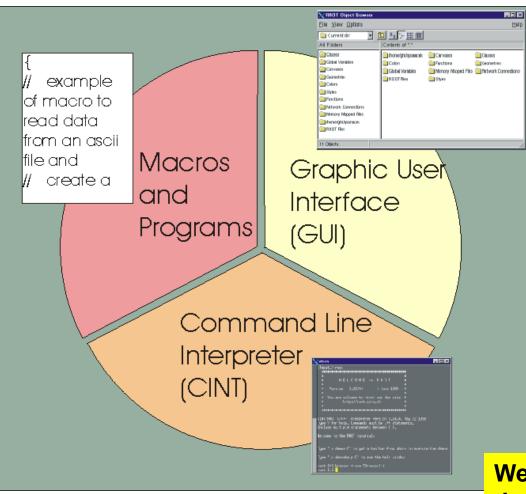


ROOT Application Domains





Three User Interfaces



- GUI windows, buttons, menus
- Command line CINT (C++ interpreter)
- Macros, applications, libraries (C++ compiler and interpreter)

We will see that in the demo in the second part of the lecture



ROOT Download & Installation

- <u>http://root.cern.ch</u>
 - Binaries for common Linux PC flavors, Mac OS, Windows
 - Preinstalled on AFS (at CERN)
- Source files
 - Installation guide at <u>http://root.cern.ch/drupal/</u> <u>content/installing-root-</u> <u>source</u>
 - Couple of dependencies, discussed here: <u>http://root.cern.ch/drupal/</u> <u>content/build-</u> <u>prerequisites</u>





Basic Blocks of ROOT

- Command line interpreter CINT
- Macros
- Histograms and Graphs
- Files
- Trees



CINT in ROOT

- CINT is used in ROOT:
 - As command line interpreter
 - As script interpreter
 - To generate class dictionaries
 - To generate function/method calling stubs
 - Signals/Slots with the GUI
- The command line, script and programming language become the same
- Large scripts can be compiled for optimal performance



First CINT Example

```
$ root
root [0] 344+76.8
root [1] float x=89.7;
root [2] float y=567.8;
root [3] x+sqrt(y)
(double)1.13528550991510710e+002
root [4] float z = x+2*sqrt(y/6);
root [5] z
(float)1.09155929565429690e+002
root [6] .q
$
```

Display online help with: root [0] .h



Named Macros

- It is quite cumbersome to type the same lines again and again
- Create macros for commonly used code
- Macro = file that is interpreted by CINT

```
int mymacro(int value)
{
    int ret = 42;
    ret += value;
    return ret;
}
Execute with root [0] .x mymacro.C(10)
Or root [0] .L mymacro.C
```

root [1] mymacro(10)



Compile Macros – Libraries

- "Library": compiled code, shared library
- CINT can call its functions!
- Building a library from a macro: ACLiC (Automatic Compiler of Libraries for CINT)
- Execute it with a "+" root [0] .x mymacro.C(42)+
- Or root [0] .L mymacro.C+ root [1] mymacro(42)
- No Makefile needed
- CINT knows all functions in mymacro_C.so/.dll



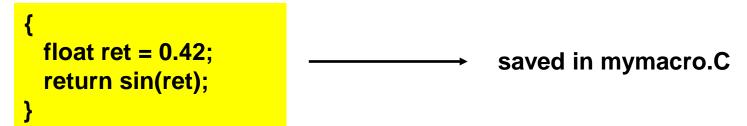
Compiled vs. Interpreted

- Why compile?
 - Faster execution, CINT has some limitations...
- Why interpret?
 - Faster Edit → Run → Check result → Edit cycles ("rapid prototyping"). Scripting is sometimes just easier.
- So when should I start compiling?
 - For simple things: start with macros
 - Rule of thumb
 - Is it a lot of code or running slow? \rightarrow Compile it!
 - Does it behave weird? \rightarrow Compile it!
 - Is there an error that you do not find \rightarrow Compile it!



Unnamed Macros

• No function, just statements



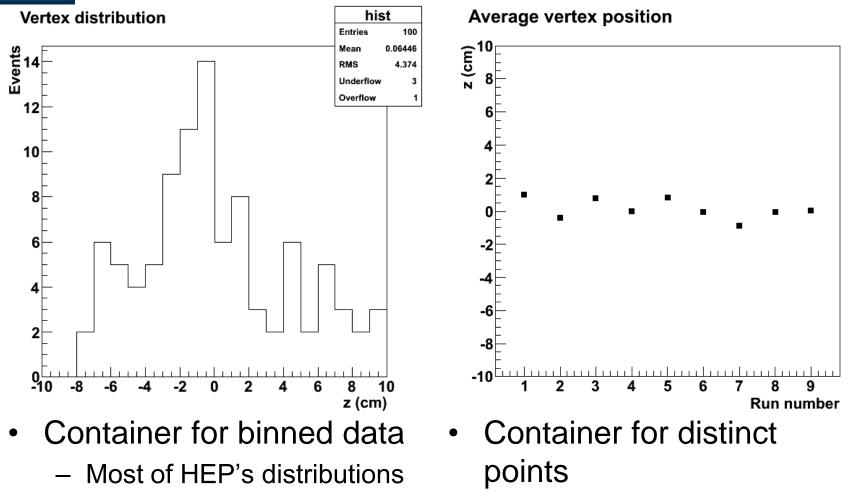
- Execute with root [0] .x mymacro.C
 - No functions, thus no arguments
- Named macro recommended!



ROOT Types

- You can use native C types in your code (as long as you don't make your data persistent, i.e. write to files)
- ROOT redefines all types to achieve platform independency
 - E.g. the type int has a different number of bits on different systems
 - int \rightarrow Int_t float \rightarrow Float_t double \rightarrow Double_t long \rightarrow Long64_t (not Long_t) etc.
 - See \$ROOTSYS/include/Rtypes.h

Histograms & Graphs



Calculation or fit results



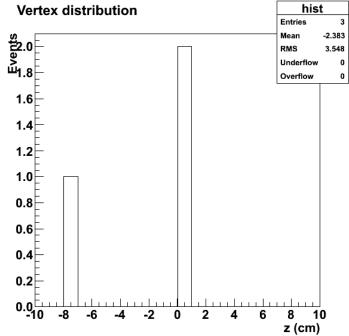
Histograms

- Histograms are binned data containers
- There are 1, 2 and 3-dimensional histograms \rightarrow TH1, TH2, TH3
- The data can be stored with different precision and in different types (byte, short, int, float, double)
 → TH1C, TH1S, TH1I, TH1F, TH1D (same for TH2, TH3)

Histogram Example

hist = new TH1F("hist", "Vertex distribution;z (cm);Events", 20, -10, 10); hist->Fill(0.05); hist->Fill(-7.4); hist->Fill(0.2); hist->Draw();

NB: All ROOT classes start with T Looking for e.g. a string? Try TString



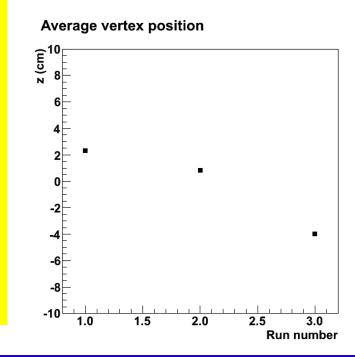


Graphs

- A graph is a data container filled with distinct points
- TGraph: x/y graph without error bars
- TGraphErrors: x/y graph with error bars
- TGraphAsymmErrors: x/y graph with asymmetric error bars

Graph Example

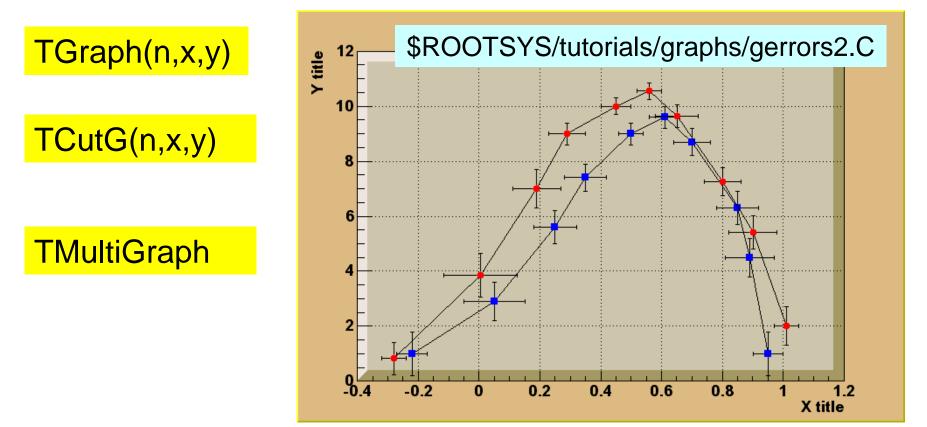
```
graph = new TGraph;
graph->SetPoint(graph->GetN(), 1, 2.3);
graph->SetPoint(graph->GetN(), 2, 0.8);
graph->SetPoint(graph->GetN(), 3, -4);
graph->Draw("AP");
graph->SetMarkerStyle(21);
graph->GetYaxis()->SetRangeUser(-10, 10);
graph->GetXaxis()->SetTitle("Run number");
graph->GetYaxis()->SetTitle("z (cm)");
graph->SetTitle("Average vertex position");
```





Graphs (2)

TGraphErrors(n,x,y,ex,ey)



TGraphAsymmErrors(n,x,y,exl,exh,eyl,eyh)

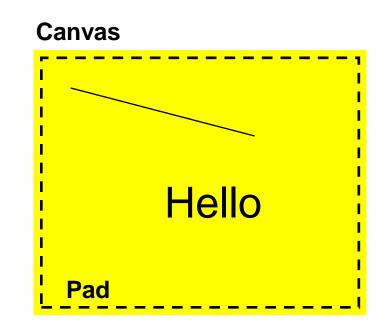
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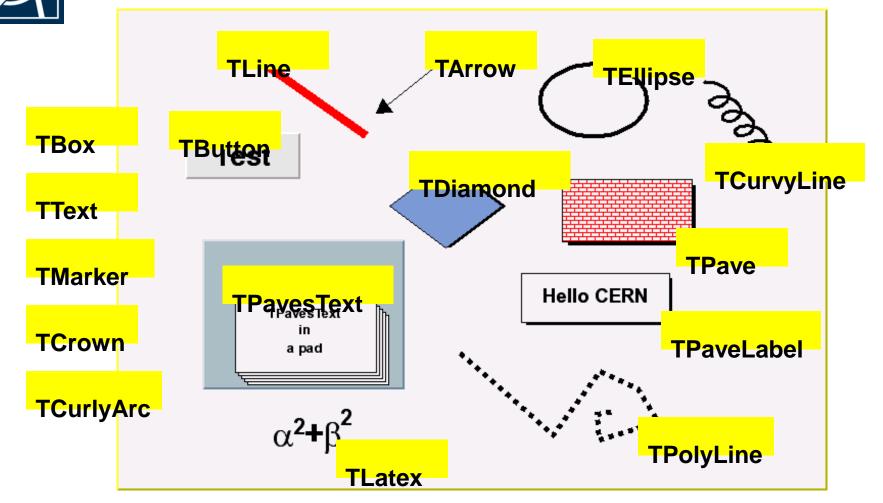
Graphics Objects

- You can draw with the command line
- The Draw function adds the object to the list of *primitives* of the current *pad*
- If no pad exists, a pad is automatically created
- A pad is embedded in a canvas
- You create one manually with new TCanvas
 - A canvas has one pad by default
 - You can add more

root [] TLine line(.1,.9,.6,.6)
root [] line.Draw()
root [] TText text(.5,.2,"Hello")
root [] text.Draw()



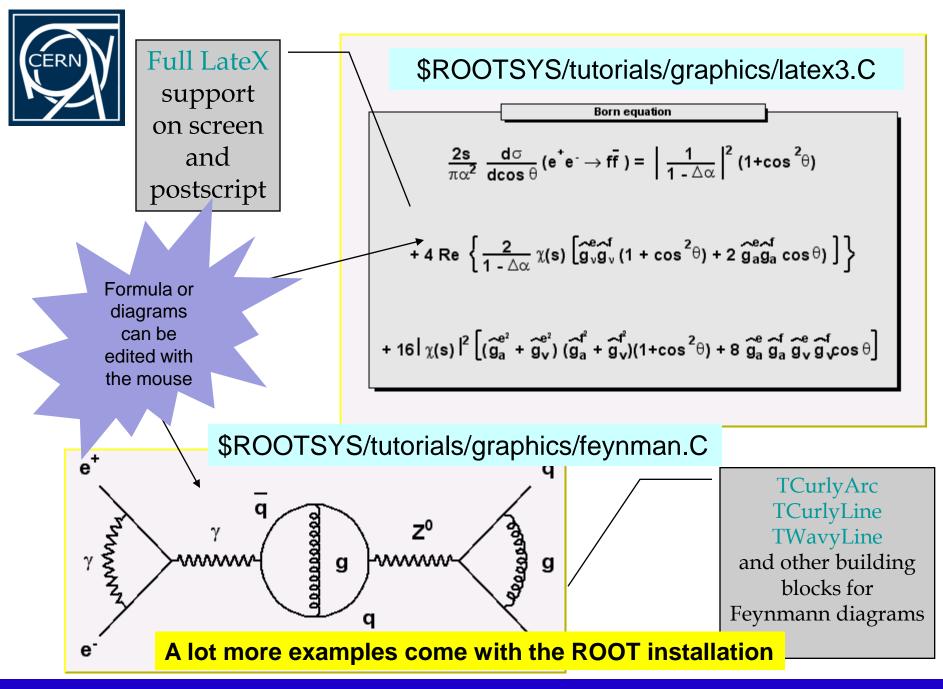
More Graphics Objects



Can be accessed with the toolbar View → Toolbar (in any canvas)

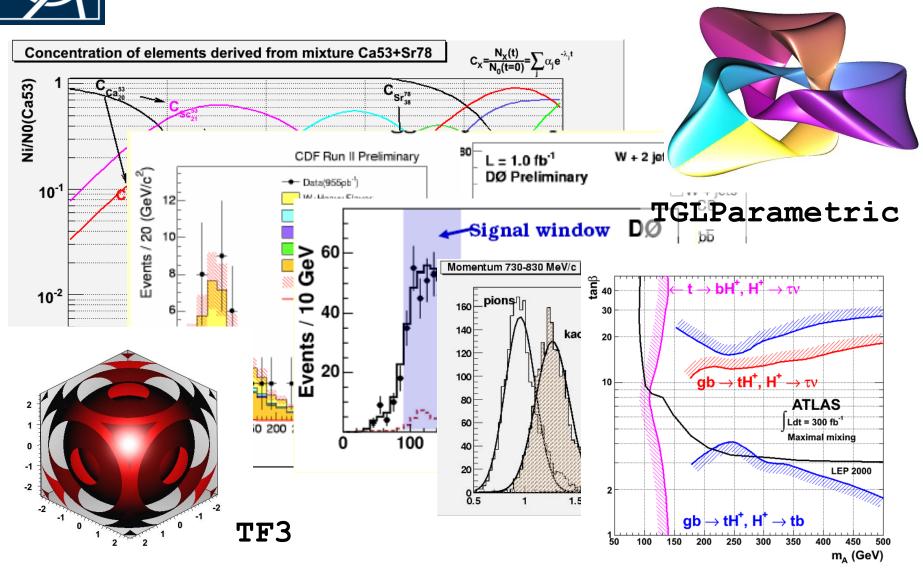
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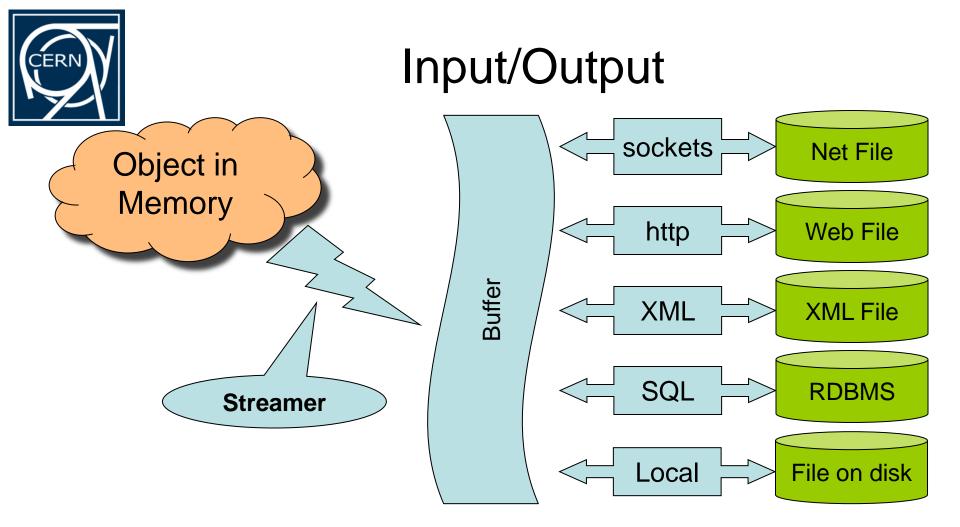
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Graphics Examples





The automatically generated ROOT streamer for each class streams all class members, resolves circular dependencies and multiply referenced objects \rightarrow No streamer function needs to be written

 \rightarrow No need for separation of transient and persistent classes



Files

- TFile is the class to access files on your file system (and elsewhere)
- A TFile object may contain directories (TDirectory), like a Unix file system
- ROOT files are self describing
 - Dictionary for persistent classes written to the file
- Support for Backward and Forward compatibility
- Files created in 2001 must be readable in 2015



File Example

void keywrite() {

```
TFile f("file.root", "new");
```

```
TH1F h("hist", "test", 100, -3, 3);
```

```
h.FillRandom("gaus", 1000);
```

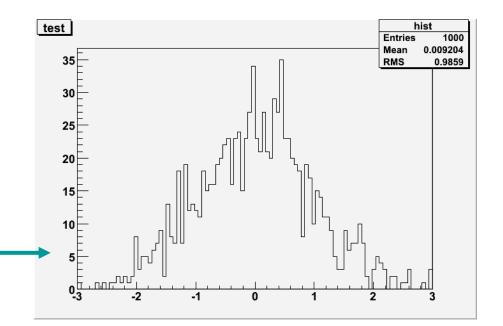
```
h.Write()
```

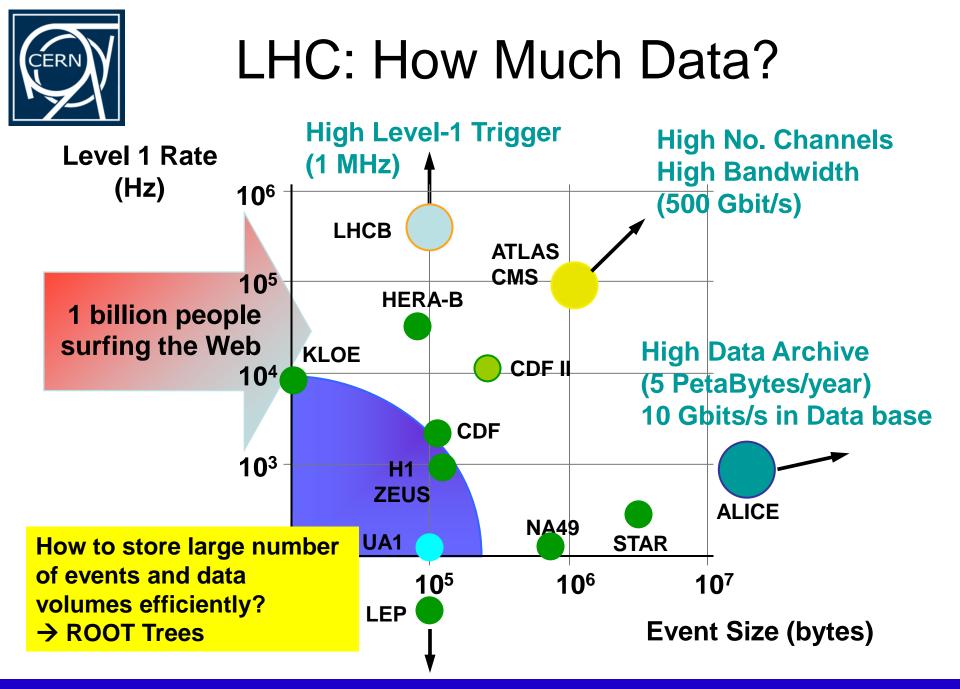
}

```
void keyRead() {
  TFile f("file.root");
  TH1F *h = (TH1F*) f.Get("hist");
```

h.Draw();

This works as well for your own class!





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What is a ROOT Tree?

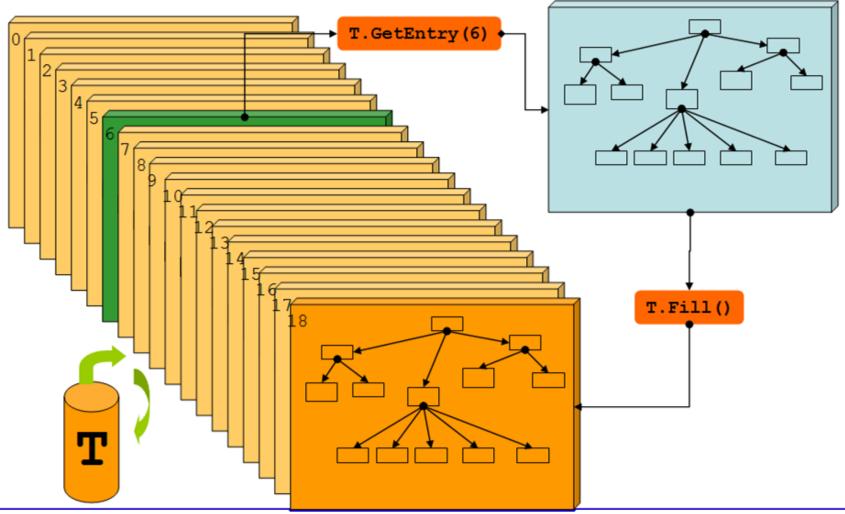
- Trees have been designed to support very large collections of objects. The overhead in memory is in general less than 4 bytes per entry.
- Trees allow direct and random access to any entry (sequential access is the most efficient)
- Trees are structured into branches and leaves.
 One can read a subset of all branches
- High level functions like TTree::Draw loop on all entries with selection expressions
- Trees can be browsed via TBrowser
- Trees can be analyzed via TTreeViewer

Stored Trees vs. Memory



Tree On Disk

One instance in memory

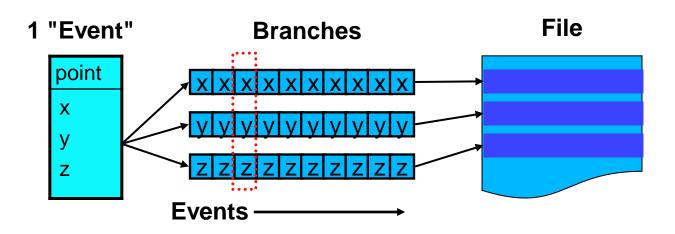


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Trees: Split Mode

- The tree is partioned in branches
 - Each class member is a branch (in split mode)
 - When reading a tree, certain branches can be switched off
 - \rightarrow speed up of analysis when not all data is needed





TTree - Writing

- You want to store 1 million objects of type TMyEvent in a tree which is written into a file
- Initialization
 TFile* f = TFile::Open("events.root", "RECREATE"); TTree* tree = new TTree("Events","Event Tree"); TMyEvent* myEvent = new TMyEvent; TBranch* branch = tree->Branch("myevent", "TMyEvent", &myEvent);
- Fill the tree (1 million times)

myEvent->SetMember(...);
tree->Fill();

- TTree::Fill copies content of member as new entry into the tree
- Flush the tree to the file, close the file

tree->Write(); f->Close();



TTree - Reading

• Open the file, retrieve the tree and connect the branch with a pointer to TMyEvent

```
TFile *f = TFile::Open("events.root");
TTree *tree = (TTree*)f->Get("Events");
TMyEvent* myEvent = 0;
tree->SetBranchAddress("myevent", &myEvent);
```

 Read entries from the tree and use the content of the class

```
Int_t nentries = tree->GetEntries();
for (Int_t i=0;i<nentries;i++) {
   tree->GetEntry(i);
   cout << myEvent->GetMember() << endl;
}</pre>
```

A quick way to browse through a tree is to use a TBrowser



Fitting

- Fitting a histogram or graph
- With the GUI

EXT PARAMETER

Mean

Sigma

NAME

Constant

NO.

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- If you just try which functions works well or need a single parameter
- Right click on graph or histogram
 → Fit panel
- With the command line / macro
 - If you fit many histograms/graphs or several times

hist->Fit("gaus") hist->FindFunction("gaus")->GetParameter(0)

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STRATEGY=

ERROR

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Fit parameters printed to the screen

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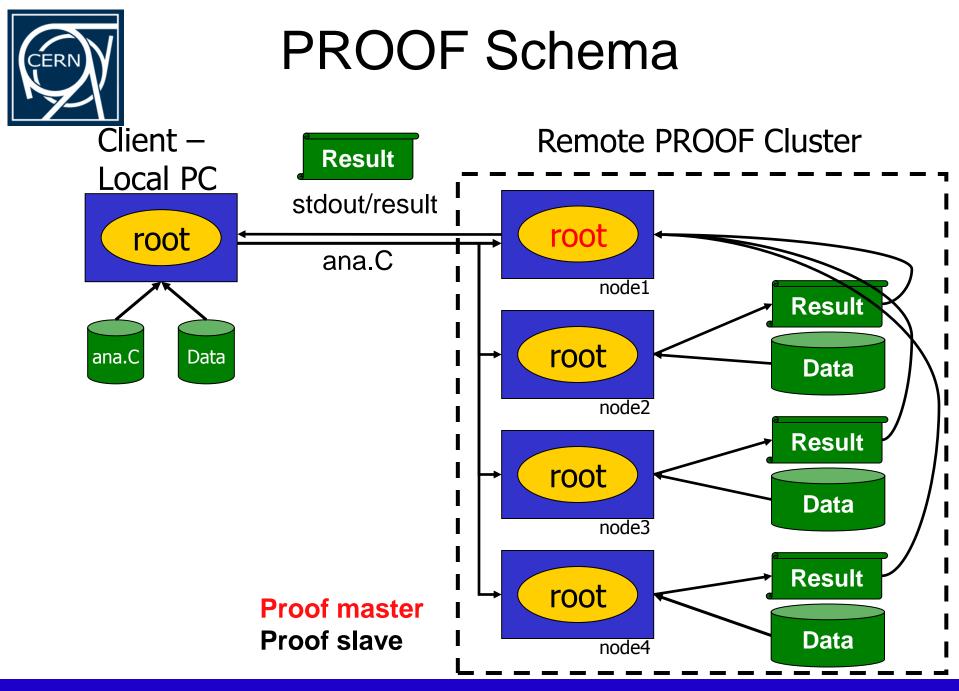
- In this talk, I presented the most basic classes typically used during physics analyses
- ROOT contains many more libraries, e.g.
 - FFT library
 - Oracle, MySQL, etc interfaces
 - XML drivers
 - TMVA (Multi Variate Analysis)
 - GRID, networking and thread classes
 - Interfaces to Castor, Dcache, GFAL, xrootd
 - Interfaces to Pythia, Geant3, Geant4, gdml
 - Matrix packages, Fitting packages, etc



One Example: PROOF

- Parallel <u>ROOT</u> Facility
- Interactive parallel analysis on a local cluster
 - Parallel processing of (local) data (trivial parallelism)
 - Output handling with direct visualization
 - Not a batch system
- PROOF itself is not related to Grid
 - Can access Grid files
- The usage of PROOF is transparent
 - The same code can be run locally and in a PROOF system (certain rules have to be followed)
- PROOF is part of ROOT

Data does not need to be copied Many CPUs available for analysis → much faster processing



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