Highlights from CHEP 2001

Software methodologies & tools, simulation, data analysis

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Outline

- Software Methodologies (track 8)
 - Software process
 - Collaborating frameworks
 - Tools for software management
- Areas of application
 - Simulation (track 5)
 - Data analysis tools (track 3)
- Comments

Software methodologies (track 8)

Software process

8-008 (G.Cosmo), 8-003 (H.P.Wellisch)

Frameworks

- 8-042 (A.Pfeiffer), 8-037 (A.Dell'Acqua), 8-051 (I.Hrivnacova),
- 5-009 (I,Belyaev)

Software management & QA

- 8-006 (C.Arnault), 8-032 (N.Ratnikova), 8-024 (L.A.Tuura)
- ... will not cover:
 - Simulation production & farms
 - Detector description & XML
 - Java tools

Software process

"A set of interrelated activities, which transform inputs into outputs" (ISO 12207)

- Need to adopt a reference model for SP
 - ISO-15504 adopted in Geant4 and CMS
 - Do not adopt it blindly, but tailor processes according to the project needs
 * see 8-008
 - Very effective and suitable for the HEP environment
 - Are we different in HEP? No! * see 8-003
- Software Process Improvement
 - Very pragmatic and highly successful in CMS
 - Make it life-cycle driven (continuous improvement)

Frameworks

- Need for: flexibility, scalability, maintainability
- The answer: * see 8-042

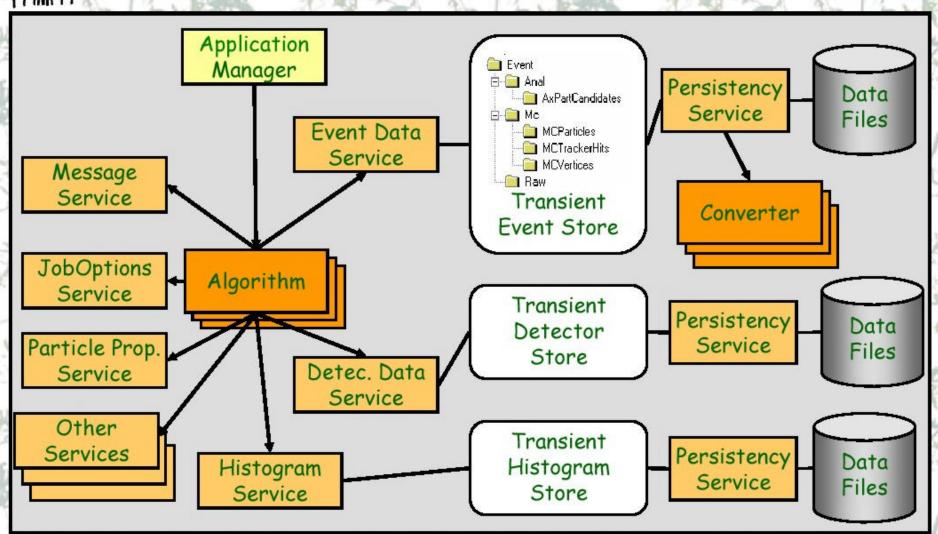
Collaborating frameworks

- Made of loosely coupled components
- Maximize re-use
- Adoption of abstract interfaces
 - Flexibility through implementation independence
 - Maintainability through independent evolution of components
- Integration of Geant4 into specific frameworks
 - Goofy (ATLAS) * see 8-037
 - AliRoot (ALICE)* see 8-051
 - Gaudi (LHCb)* see 5-009



Gaudi Object Diagram





Software management & QA

CMT

- * see 8-006
- Adopted by ATLAS, LHCb
 - Also experienced in the context of GRID
- Recurrent semantics for software packages
 - Management, interface, policy packages
- Provides a wide set of configuration patterns
 - Test deployment, build options, utilities...
 - Automatic document generators
- SCRAM

- * see 8-032
- Adopted in CMS: provides with CVS an efficient way to install and distribute experiment-specific software
 - Assures the same consistent environment to users
 - Installation kit on CD-ROM. Distribution on bootable hard-disk
- Common problem: site-specific configuration issues



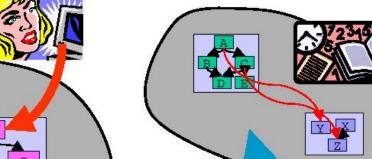
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Organizing teams





Developing software

Software

Integration management

> Structuring projects

Managing site specific configuration

> Distributing Deploying projects

Managing application configuration at run time



Use relationship



Project



Package



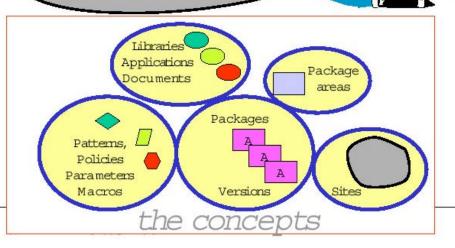
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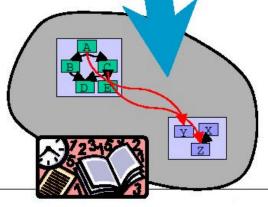


Usage



Distribution



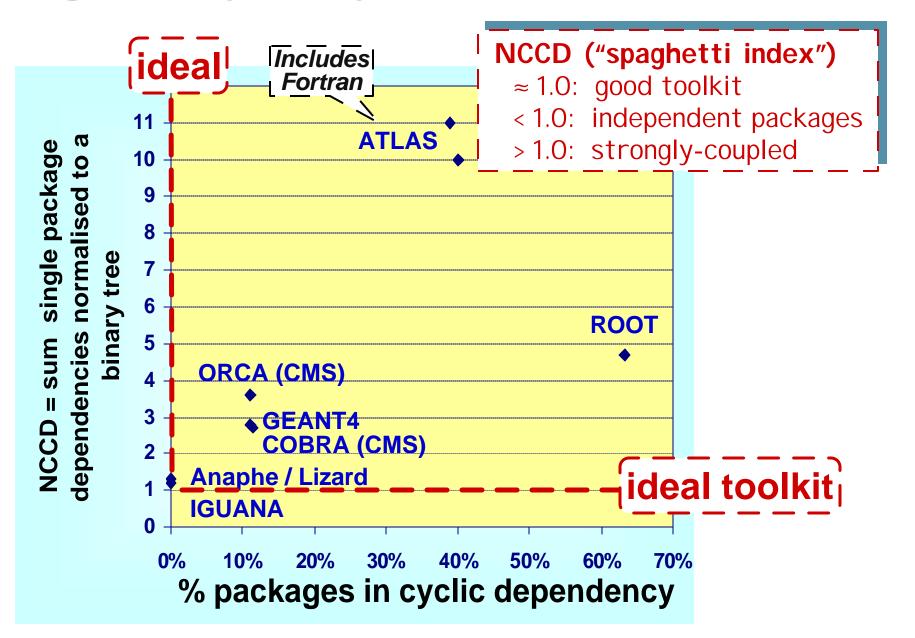


QA: Ignominy a tool to quantify modularity

* see 8-024

- Flexible tool
 - Can be configured and applied to packages, entire projects with granular control
- Performs metrics analysis
 - Reports statistics and generates graphs
 - Evaluates dependency, coverage, structure match and complexity of the software
 - Provides interpretation of the possible *origin* of the complexity and software *properties* (J.Lakos, Large-Scale C++ Programming)
- Exercised on some HEP packages/projects
 - ANAPHE, Geant4, ATLAS (offline), CMS, ROOT

Ignominy analysis

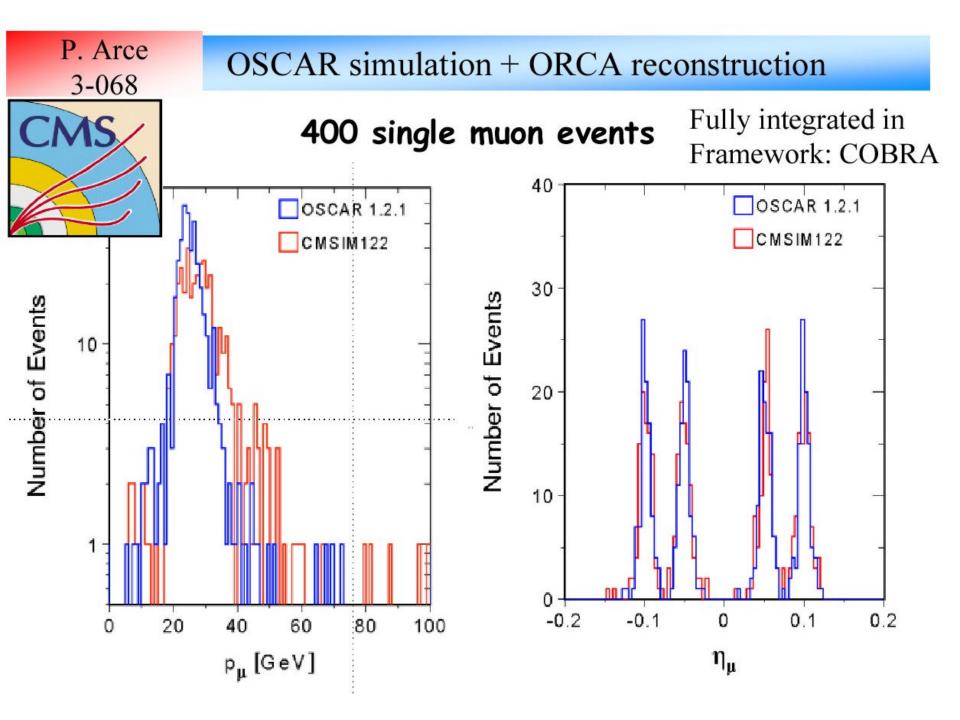


Simulation (track 5)

- Geant4 related talks
 - 3-068 (P.Arce), 5-005 (D.Salihagic), 5-004 (J.P.Wellisch),
 - 5-001 (M.G.Pia), 5-002 (A.Brunengo)
- EGS4, MCNP
 - See 5-006 (B.Liu), 5-007 (Y.Liu)
- Other topics:
 - Tools for building detector geometries
 - Gbuilder * see 5-008 (E.Tcherniaev)
 - Tools for debugging geometries
 - Integrated in Oscar (CMS) * see 3-068

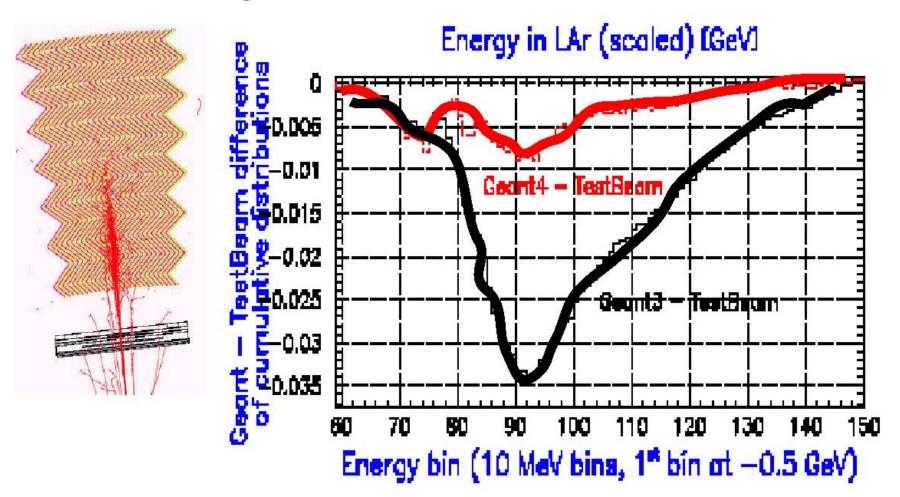
Geant4

- Experiments start use it in production
 - HARP, ATLAS testbeam, BaBar
- Other HEP experiments on the move
 - ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, Alice, LCD, BES III,...
- Application on a large variety of low-energy experiments, from medical applications to astro-physics studies
- Stable: 10⁷ events produced by BaBar
 - Very low crash rate
- More and more comparisons with data
- New hadronic models on validation *see 5-004



Atlas Calorimeter in Testbeam

100 GeV single muon in barrel Ecal



Agreement of Data and Geant3/Geant4 within 3.5%/1%

Geant4 e/m at low energies

- Electron/photons down to 250 eV, hadronic to 1KeV
 - Photo-electric, Compton, Raleigh, Ionisation, fluorescence

M.G. Pia 5-001

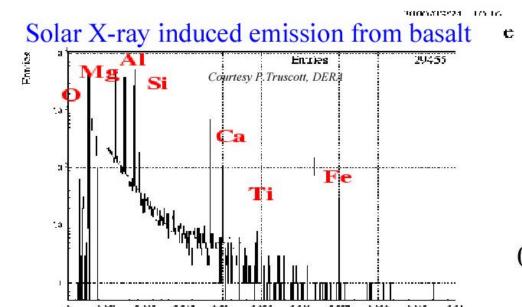


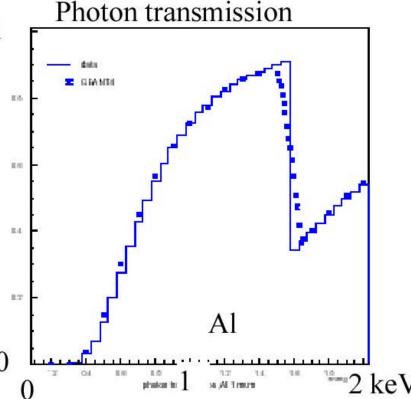
- underground detectors

- Xray telescopes

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Data analysis tools (track 3)

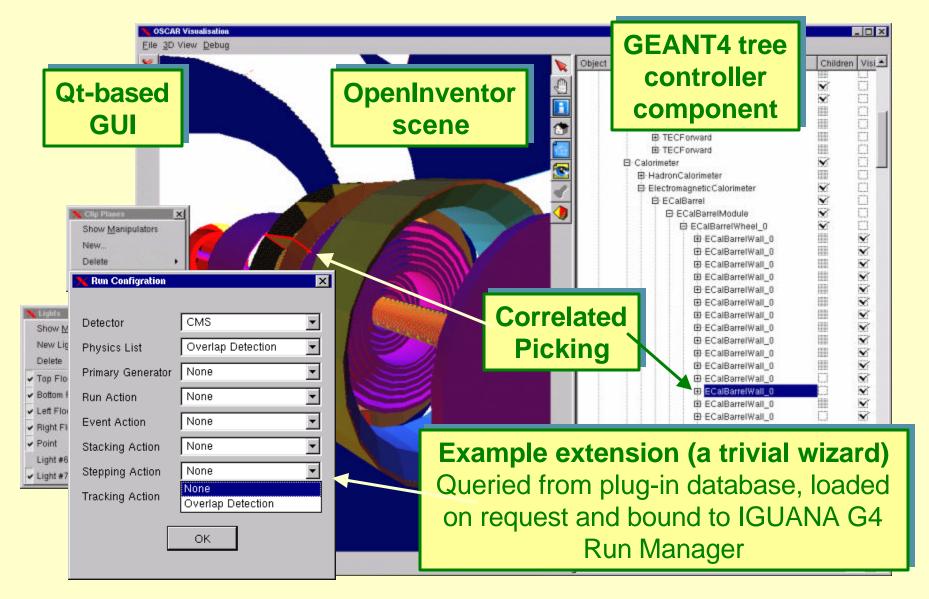
- Organised in 3 sessions:
 - Architecture and Frameworks
 - AliROOT; GAUDI; IGUANA; PHENIX (3-050);
 Offline frameworks H1, SND (3-047, 3-006)
 - Experiments' Analysis Environments
 - CMS (3-041), BES III (3-059), GSI (3-003), LCD (3-076)
 - Generic Analysis Tools
 - Anaphe/Lizard, IGUANA, JAS, ROOT

Architectures and Frameworks

- AliROOT * see 3-070 (F.Carminati)
 - C++ framework based on ROOT
 - Testing with data challenges
 - 110TB written to CASTOR tape system
 - DataGrid: working on PROOF
- GAUDI * see 3-064 (P.Mato)
 - Architecture-centric, abstract interfaces
 - Many new services: resource monitoring (dynamic loading, histo/ntuple persistency, Python scripting), Object Definition Language (XML, IDL), Geant4 integration
 - Plan: "Grid-capable" not "Grid-dependent"
- IGUANA * see 3-039 (L.A.Tuura)
 - Open architecture: thin portability layer, tiny kernel
 - Plug-ins approach (drivers, browsers, extensions, ...)



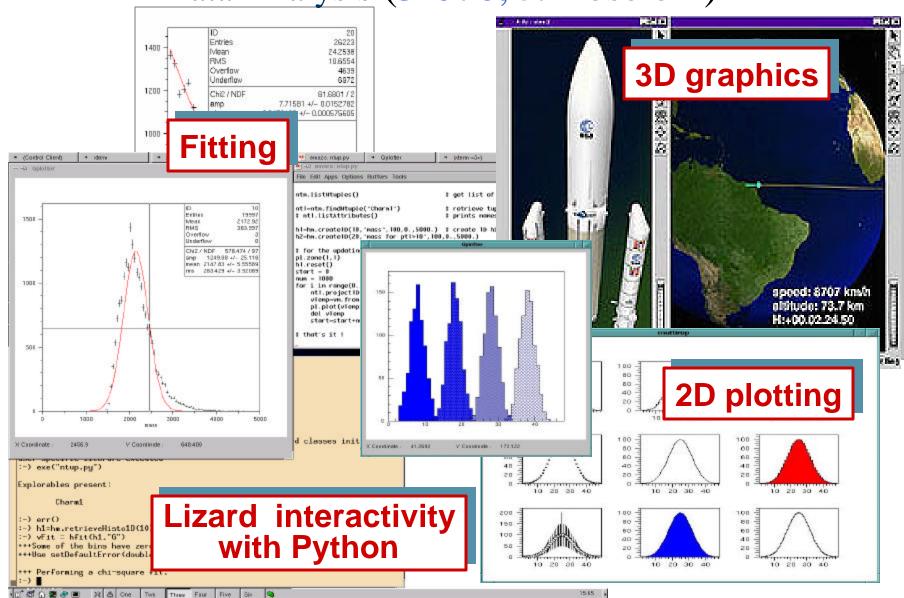
IGUANA example: Interactive GEANT4 Browser



Generic Analysis Tools

- Anaphe/Lizard * see 3-072 (A.Pfeiffer), 3-070 (J.Moscicki)
 - Based on AIDA: abstract interfaces approach, provides a full set of AIDA-compliant packages (also license-free!)
 - OO replacement for CERNLIB (former LHC++)
- IGUANA interactive analysis * see 3-040 (I.Osborne)
 - Based on the IGUANA open architecture: set of C++ event display tools (HEPVis, SoQT/QT, OpenInventor, OpenGL)
 - Integrated browsers for Geant3 and Geant4
- Java Analysis Studio (JAS) * see 3-022 (N.Graf)
 - Integrated environment: rich GUI (built-in editor & compiler)
 - Plug-ins and Data Interface Modules (DIM's)
 - AIDA-compliant, new DIM for ROOT files, tuple explorer
 - Plans: integrate with GRID services (with e.g. "BlueOx")
- ROOT * see 3-022 (F.Rademakers)
 - Many new graphics functionalities
 - Functional in-house GUI, rich canvases and 2D primitives
 - Will it migrate to modern graphics packages (Qt, OpenGL, ...) ?

Anaphe - OO Libraries and Tools for Data Analysis (3-070, J.Moscicki)



Comments, impressions ... 1

- In general
 - Very quiet conference, few questions
 - Software quality barely mentioned
 - Interest for adopting <u>Software Processes</u> and suitable <u>Methodologies</u>...
 - ... but, very little and sometimes 'distorted' knowledge of what it means!
 - Collaborating Frameworks rather than a single all-powerful framework
 - Progress towards modular architectures ("abstract interfaces", "components", "plug-ins",...)
 - Software is becoming free!
 - Good support, well documented

Comments, impressions ... 2

Simulation

- Emerging standard: <u>Geant4</u>
 - After 3 years of its first release, experiments start using it in production also for full simulation
 - More comparisons with test data
 - and doing fine
 - New physics models
 - improvements required and still ongoing
 - A lot of interest and activities in the low-energy domain
 - technology transfer (8-012, M.G.Pia)
- Integration in experiments' frameworks
 - Through abstract interfaces

Comments, impressions ... 3

- Data Analysis tools
 - Emerging HEP standards
 - AIDA for analysis tools interfaces
 - ROOT and Hippodraw do not participate
 - QT (GUI toolkit), OpenGL/Inventor (low/high-level graphics) for HEP graphics toolkits
 - Python (scripting language) as "software glue"
 - ROOT with CINT makes the exception. Developers and users seem happy
 - DIM's for reading ROOT files (C++, Java)
 - Several prototypes for remote analysis
 - Java clients: BlueOx, Clarens, JAS,...