



# Large Data Bases in High Energy Physics

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### High Energy Physics

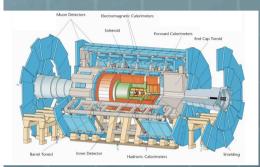
- About 10000 physicists in the HEP domain distributed in a few hundred universities/labs
- About 6000 involved in the CERN LHC program
  - ATLAS: 2200
  - **6** CMS: 2100
  - **ALICE:** 1100
  - LHCb: 600

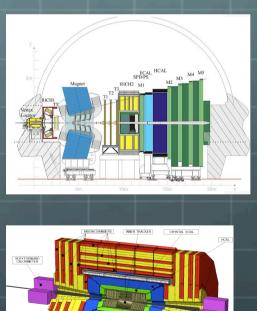


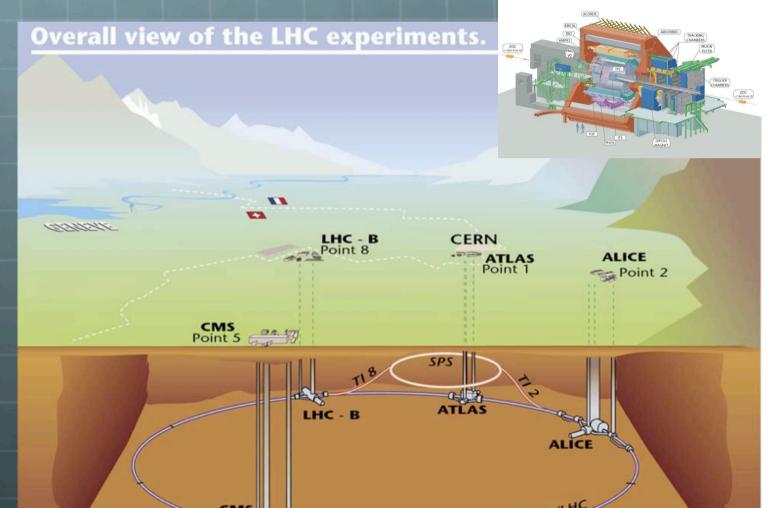


#### LHC













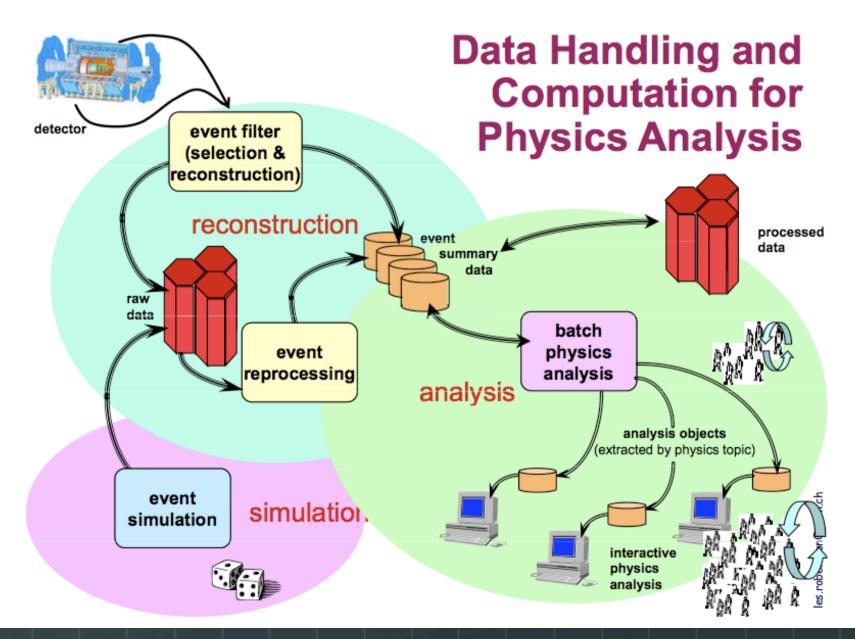
#### **HEP** environment

- In the following slides I will discuss mainly the LHC data bases, but the situation is quasi identical in all other labs in HEP and Nuclear Physics labs too.
- A growing number of AstroPhysics experiments is following a similar model.
- HEP tools also used in Biology, Finance, Oil industry, car makers, etc



#### LHC expts data flow









#### Data Sets types

Simulated data 10 Mbytes/event

Raw data 1 Mbyte/event

1000 events/data set

Event Summary Data 1 Mbyte/event A few reconstruction passes

About 10 data sets for 1 raw data set

Analysis Objects Data 100 Kbytes/event Several analysis groups Physics oriented





#### Data Sets Total Volume

- Each experiment will take about 1 billion events/year
- 1 billion events → 1 million raw data sets of 1 Gbyte

- All event data are C++ objects streamed to ROOT files





#### Relational Data Bases

- RDBMS (mainly Oracle) are used in many places and mainly at To
  - for detector calibration and alignment
  - for File Catalogs
- The total volume is small compared to event data (a few tens of Gigabytes, may be 1 Terabyte)
- Often RDBMS exported as ROOT read-only files for processing on the GRID
- Because most physicists do not see the RDBMS, I will not describe /mention it any more in this talk.





#### How did we reach this point

- Today's situation with ROOT + RDBMS was reached circa 2002 when it was realized that an alternative solution based on an object-oriented data base (Objectivity) could not work.
- It took us a long time to understand that a file format alone was not sufficient and that an automatic object streaming for any C++ class was fundamental.
- One more important step was reached when we understood the importance of self-describing files and automatic class schema evolution.



#### The situation in the 70s



- Fortran programming. Data in common blocks written and read by user controlled subroutines.
- Each experiment has his own format. The experiments are small (10 to 50 physicists) with short life time (1 to 5 years).

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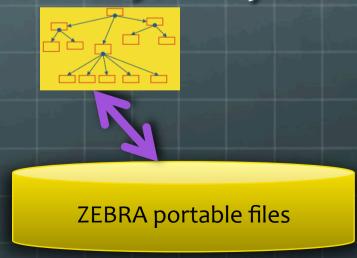
Experiment non portable format



### The situation in the 80s



- Fortran programming. Data in banks managed by data structure management systems like ZEBRA, BOS writing portable files with some data types description.
- The experiments are bigger (100 to 500 physicists) with life time between 5 and 10 years.

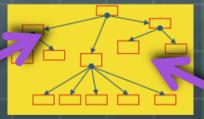




### The situation in the 90s



- Painful move from Fortran to C++.
- Orastic choice between HEP format (ROOT) or a commercial system (Objectivity).
- It took more than 5 years to show that a central OO data base with transient object = persistent object and no schema evolution could not work
- The experiments are huge (1000 to 2000 physicists) with life time between 15 and 25 years.



ROOT portable and self-describing files

Central non portable
OO data base

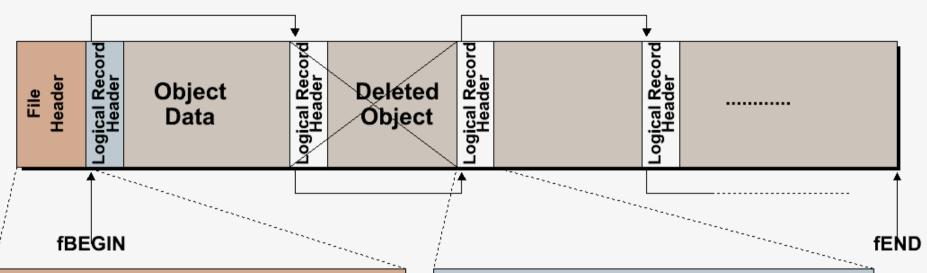




#### ROOT in a nutshell

- Automatic C++ objects Input/Output
- C++ interpreter, class parser, JIT with LLVM
- Histogram, Math Libs (Linear algebra, random numbers, minimization, multivariate analysis, etc)
- Detector geometry with navigation in millions of objects
- 2 and 3D visualization
- GUI with designer, recorder, re-player

#### **ROOT File description**



#### File Header

"root": Root File Identifier

fVersion: File version identifier

fBEGIN: Pointer to first data record

fEND: Pointer to first free word at EOF

fSeekFree: Pointer to FREE data record

fNbytesFree: Number of bytes in FREE

fNfree: Number of free data records

fNbytesName: Number of bytes in name/title

fUnits: Number of bytes for pointers

fCompress: Compression level

#### **Logical Record Header (TKEY)**

fNbytes: Length of compressed object

fVersion: Key version identifier

fObjLen: Length of uncompressed object

fDatime: Date/Time when written to store

fKeylen: Number of bytes for the key

fCycle: Cycle number

fSeekKey: Pointer to object on file

fSeekPdir: Pointer to directory on file

fClassName: class name of the object

fName: name of the object

fTitle: title of the object





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#### TFile::Map

```
root [0] TFile *falice = TFile::Open("http://root.cern.ch/files/alice ESDs.root")
root [1] falice->Map()
20070713/195136 At:100
                           N = 120
                                       TFile
20070713/195531 At:220
                           N = 2.74
                                       TH1D
                                                      CX = 7.38
                                                     CX = 2.46
20070713/195531 At:494
                           N = 331
                                       TH1D
20070713/195531 At:825
                           N = 290
                                                      CX = 2.80
                                       TH1D
20070713/195531 At:391047
                           N = 1010
                                       TH1D
                                                      CX = 3.75
                                       ====G A P=======
Address = 392057
                       Nbytes = -889
20070713/195519 At:392946 N=2515
                                       TBasket
                                                      CX = 195.48
20070713/195519 At:395461 N=23141
                                                     CX = 1.31
                                       TBasket
20070713/195519 At:418602 N=2566
                                       TBasket.
                                                     CX = 10.40
                                                                    Classes
20070713/195520 At: 421168 N=2518
                                       TBasket
                                                      CX = 195.24
                                                                     dictionary
20070713/195532 At:423686 N=2515
                                       TBasket.
                                                      CX = 195.48
20070713/195532 At:426201 N=2023
                                                     CX = 15.36
                                       TBasket.
20070713/195532 At:428224 N=2518
                                                      CX = 195.24
                                       TBasket
                                                      CX = 4.2^{\circ}
20070713/195532 At:430742 N=375281
                                       TTree
20070713/195532 At: 806023 N=43823
                                       TTree
                                                      CX = 16.04
                                                                      List of keys
                                                      CY 100
20070713/195532 At:849846 N=6340
                                       TH2F
20070713/195532 At:856186 N=951
                                                      cx = 9.02
                                       THIF
20070713/195532 At:857137 N=16537
                                       StreamerInfo
                                                      CX = 3.74
20070713/195532 At:873674 N=1367
                                       KeysList
20070713/195532 At:875041 N=1
                                       END
root [2]
```

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#### TFile::ls

```
root [3] falice->ls()
                 logTRD backfit;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD refit;1
  KEY: TH1D
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD clSearch;1
                 logTRD X;1
  KEY: TH1D
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD ncl;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD nclTrack;1
                 logTRD minYPos;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD minYNeg;1
  KEY: TH1D
  KEY: TH2D
                 logTRD minD;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD minZ;1
                 logTRD deltaX;1
  KEY: TH1D
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD xCl;1
                 logTRD clY;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD clZ;1
  KEY: TH1D
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD clB;1
  KEY: TH1D
                 logTRD clG;1
                                 Tree with ESD objects
  KEY: TTree
                 esdTree;1
                                 Tree with HLT ESD objects
  KEY: TTree
                 HLTesdTree; 1
                TOFDig ClusMap; 1
  KEY: TH2F
                 TOFDig NClus;1
  KEY: TH1F
                 TOFDig ClusTime; 1
  KEY: TH1F
                 TOFDig ClusToT; 1
  KEY: TH1F
                 TOFRec NClusW;1
  KEY: TH1F
  KEY: TH1F
                 TOFRec Dist;1
                 TOFDig SigYVsP;1
  KEY: TH2F
  KEY: TH2F
                 TOFDig SigZVsP;1
                 TOFDig SigYVsPWin;1
  KEY: TH2F
                 TOFDig SigZVsPWin;1
  KEY: TH2F
```

Shows the list of objects In the current directory (like in a file system)



### Self-describing files



- Dictionary for persistent classes written to the file.
- ROOT files can be read by foreign readers
- Support for Backward and Forward compatibility
- Files created in 2001 must be readable in 2015
- Classes (data objects) for all objects in a file can be regenerated via TFile::MakeProject

```
Root >TFile f("demo.root");

Root > f.MakeProject("dir","*","new++");
```



#### TFile::MakeProject

};
#endif

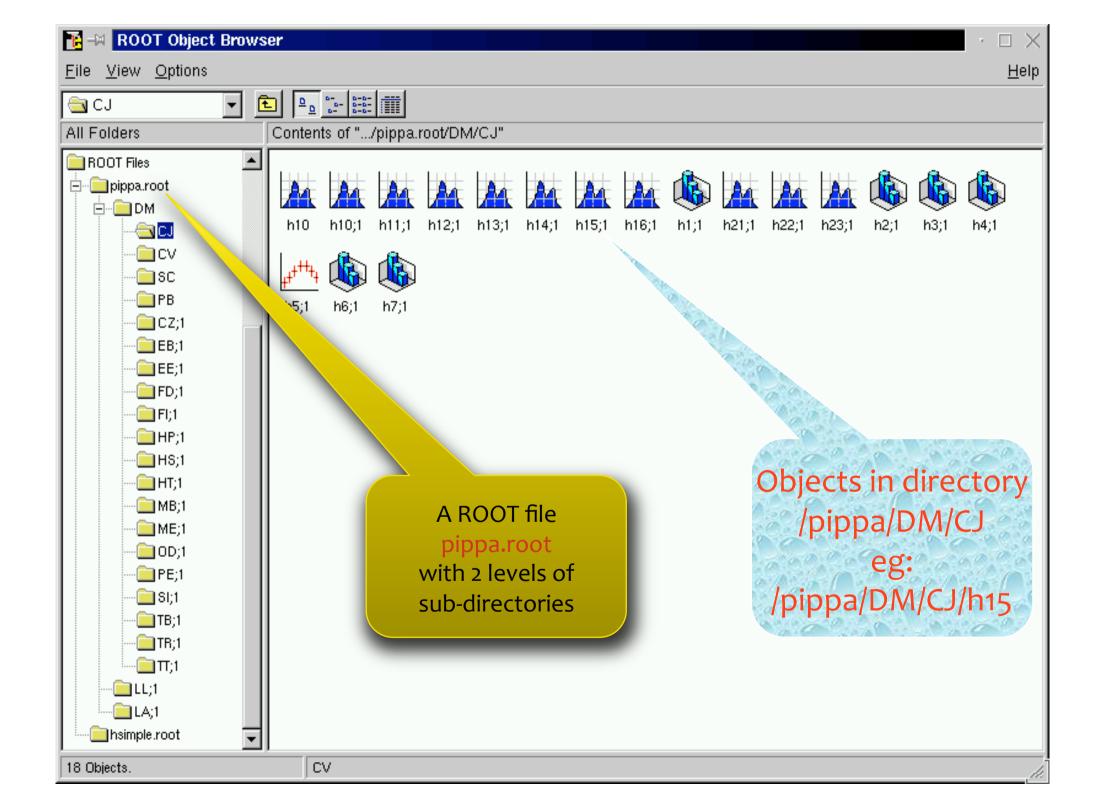


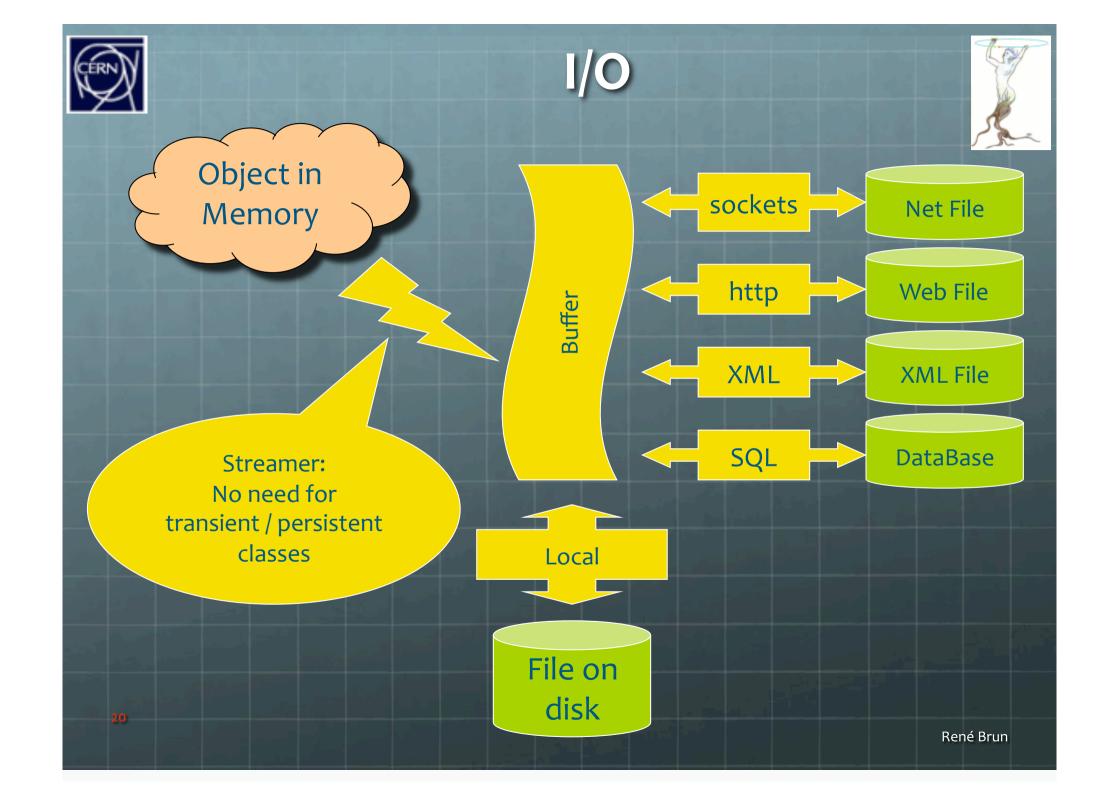
Generate C++ header files and shared lib for the classon

h AliESDCaloCluster.h

```
(macbrun2) [253] root
root [0] TFile *falice TFile::Open("http://roo
root [1] falice->MakeProject("alice","*","++");
MakeProject has generated 26 classes in alice
alice/MAKEP file has been generated
Shared lib alice/alice.so has been
                                       erated
Shared lib alice/alice.so have been dynamically
root [2] .!ls alice
AliESDCaloCluster.h
                        AliESDZDC.h
                        AliESDcascade.h
AliESDCaloTrigger.h
AliESDEvent.h
                        AliESDfriend.h
AliESDFMD.h
                        AliESDfriendTrack.h
AliESDHeader.h
                        AliESDkink.h
AliESDMuonTrack.h
                        AliESDtrack.h
AliESDPmdTrack.h
                        AliESDv0.h
AliESDRun.h
                        AliExternalTrackParam.h
AliESDTZERO.h
                        AliFMDFloatMap.h
AliESDTrdTrack.h
                        AliFMDMap.h
                        AliMultiplicity.h
AliESDVZERO.h
AliESDVertex.h
                        AliRawDataErrorLog.h
root [3]
```

```
// This class has been generated by TFile::MakeProject
       (Sat Jan 24 15:24:51 2009 by ROOT version 5.23/01)
        from the StreamerInfo in file http://root.cern.ch/files/alice ESDs.root
 #ifndef AliESDCaloCluster h
 #define AliESDCaloCluster h
 class AliESDCaloCluster:
 #include "TObject.h"
 #include "TArrayS.h"
 class AliESDCaloCluster : public TObject {
 public:
   Int t
                                //Unique Id of the cluster
             fID;
   Int t
             fClusterType;
                                //Flag for different clustering versions
            fEMCALCluster:
   Bool t
                                //Is this is an EMCAL cluster?
   Bool t
             fPHOSCluster:
                                //Is this is a PHOS cluster?
            fGlobalPos[3]:
   Float t
                                //position in global coordinate system
   Float t
            fEnergy;
                                //energy measured by calorimeter
            fDispersion;
                                //cluster dispersion, for shape analysis
   Float t
   Float t
            fChi2;
                                //chi2 of cluster fit
   Float t
            fPID[10];
                                //"detector response probabilities" (for the PID)
   Float t
            fM20;
                                //2-nd moment along the main eigen axis
   Float t
            fM02;
                                //2-nd moment along the second eigen axis
   Float t
            fM11;
                                //2-nd mixed moment Mxy
    UShort t fNExMax;
                                //number of (Ex-)maxima before unfolding
   Float t
            fEmcCpvDistance;
                                //the distance from PHOS EMC rec.point to the closes
                                //Distance to nearest bad channel
    Float t fDistToBadChannel;
    TArrayS∗ fTracksMatched;
                                //Index of tracks close to cluster. First entry is
                                //list of primaries that generated the cluster, order
    TArrauS∗ fLabels:
    TArrayS∗ fDigitAmplitude;
                                //digit energy (integer units)
    TArrayS∗ fDigitTime;
                                //time of this digit (integer units)
    TArrayS∗ fDigitIndex;
                                //calorimeter digit index
    AliESDCaloCluster();
   virtual MaliESDCaloCluster();
   ClassDef(AliESDCaloCluster,5); // Generated by MakeProject.
```

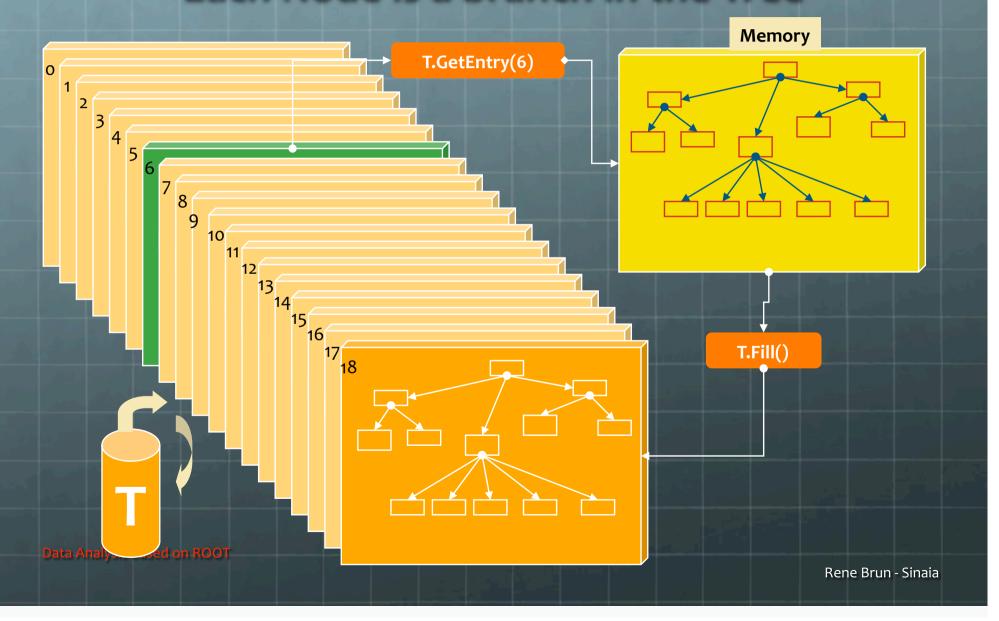






# Memory <--> Tree Each Node is a branch in the Tree



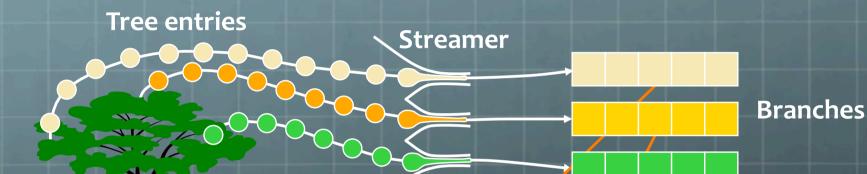




### ROOT I/O -- Split/Cluster



Tree version



Tree in memory

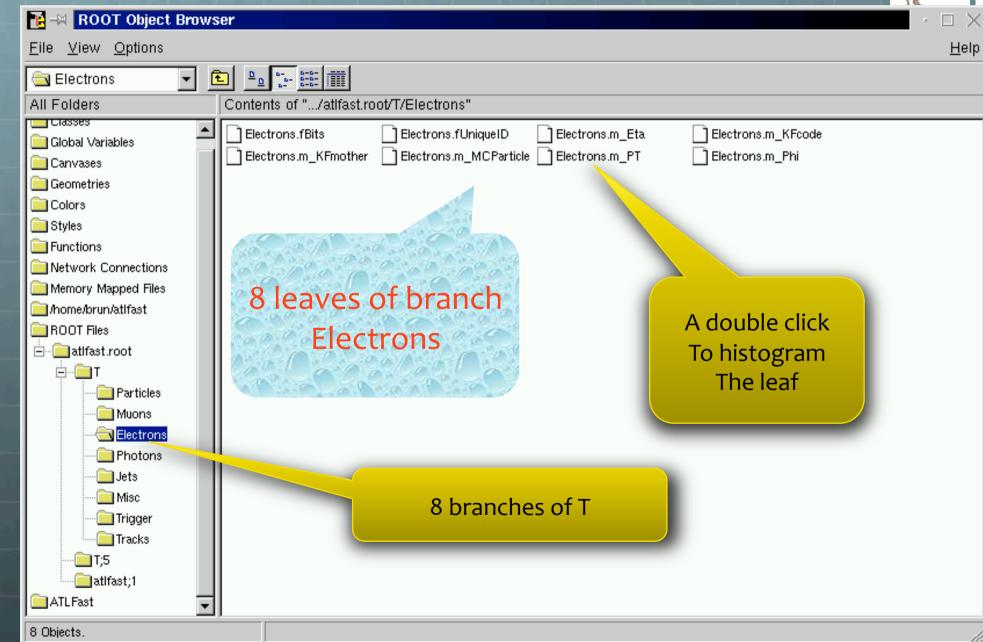
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#### **Browsing a TTree with TBrowser**

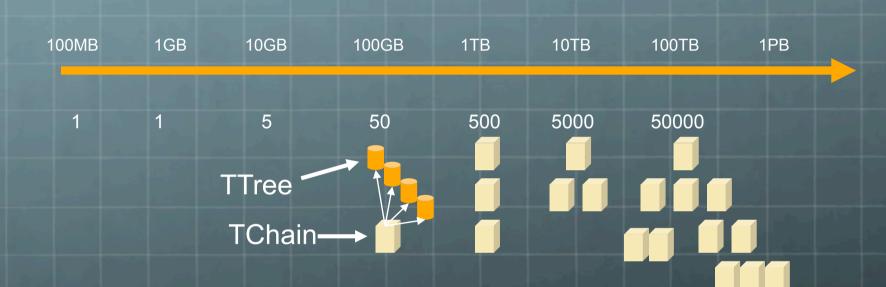








#### Data Volume & Organization



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 the file catalogue





#### The situation in 2000-a

- Following the failure of the OODBMS system, an attempt to store event data in a relational data base fails also quite rapidly when we realized that RDBMS systems are not designed to store petabytes of data.
- The ROOT system is adopted by the large US experiments at FermiLab and BNL. This version is based on object streamers specific to each class and generated automatically by a preprocessor.





#### The situation in 2000-b

- Although automatically generated object streamers were quite powerful, they required the class library containing the streamer code at read time.
- We realized that this will not fly in the long term as it is quite obvious that the streamer library used to write the data will not likely be available when reading the data several years later.





#### The situation in 2000-c

- A system based on class dictionaries saved together with the data was implemented in ROOT. This system was able to write and read objects using the information in the dictionaries only and did not required anymore the class library used to write the data.
- In addition the new reader is able to process in the same job data generated by successive class versions.
- This process, called automatic class-schema-evolution proved to be a fundamental component of the system.
- It was a huge difference with the OODBMS and RDBMS systems that forced a conversion of the data sets to the latest class version.





#### The situation in 2000-d

- © Circa 2000 it was also realized that streaming objects or objects collections in one single buffer was totally inappropriate when the reader was interested to process only a small subset of the event data.
- The ROOT Tree structure was not only a Hierarchical Data Format, but was designed to be optimal when
  - The reader was interested by a subset of the events, by a subset of each event or both.
  - The reader has to process data on a remote machine across a LAN or WAN.
- The TreeCache minimizes the number of transactions and also the amount of data to be transferred.



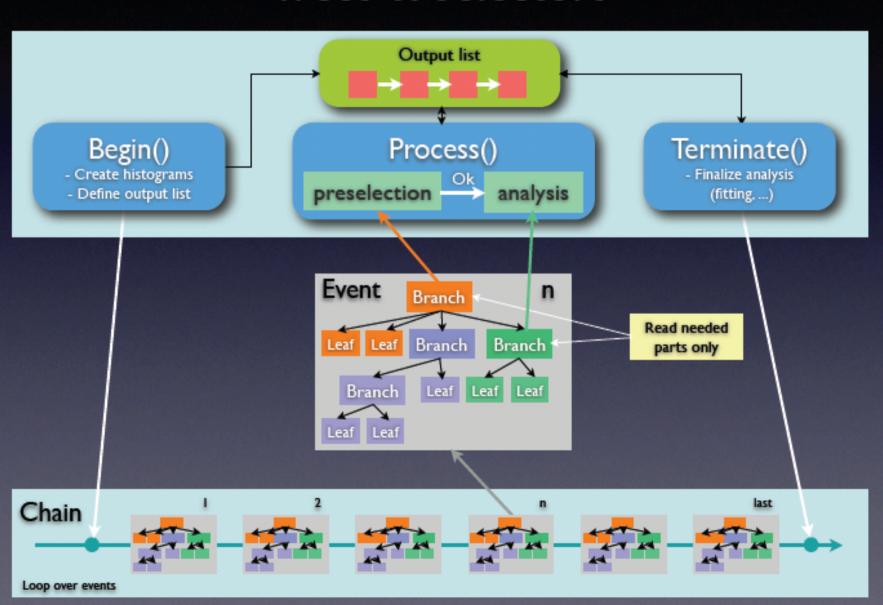


#### The situation in 2005

- Distributed processing on the GRID, but still moving the data to the job.
- Very complex object models. Requirement to support all possible C++ features and nesting of STL collections.
- Experiments have thousands of classes that evolve with time.
- Data sets written across the years with evolving class versions must be readable with the latest version of the classes.
- Requirement to be backward compatible (difficult) but also forward compatible (extremely difficult)

#### The ROOT Data Model

Trees & Selectors





### Parallelism everywhere &



What about this picture in the very near future?

Local cluster

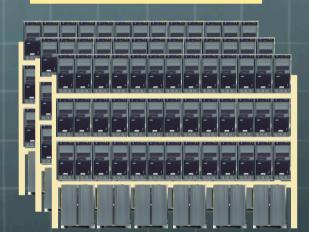
1000x32 cores

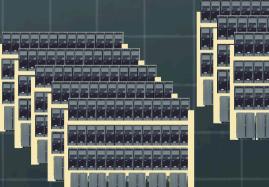
file catalogue 32 cores

Cache 1 PByte

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Remote clusters





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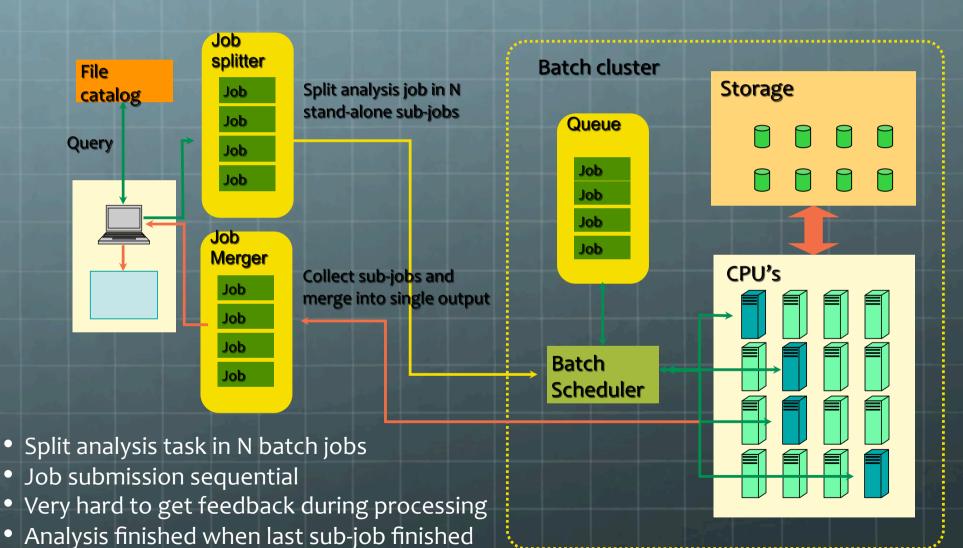
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1TByte



#### Traditional Batch Approach

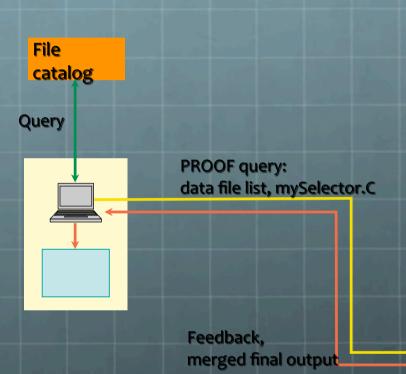




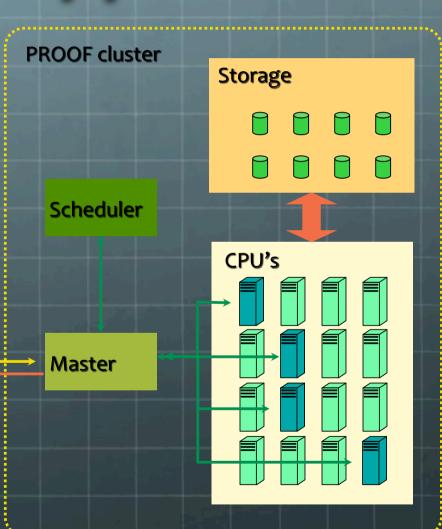








- Cluster perceived as extension of local PC
- Same macro and syntax as in local session
- More dynamic use of resources
- Real-time feedback
- Automatic splitting and merging







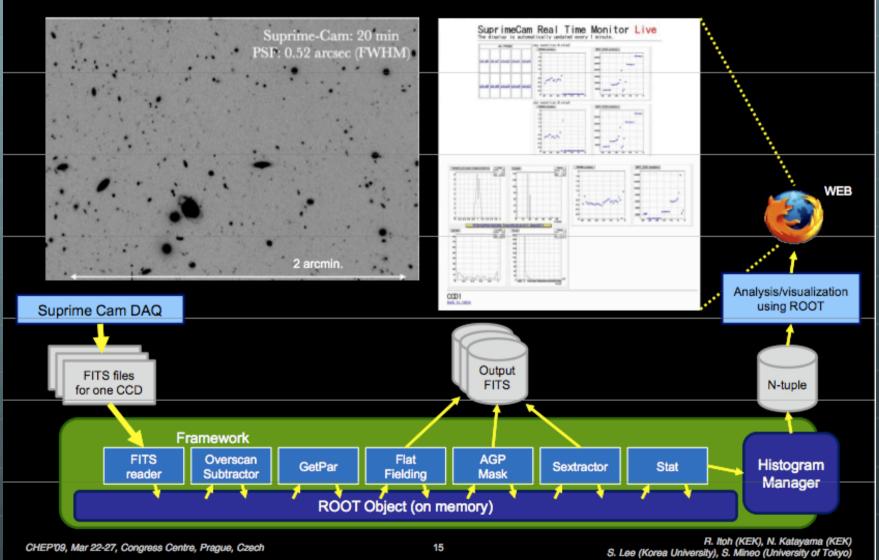
#### Summary

- The ROOT system is the result of 15 years of cooperation between the development team and thousands of heterogeneous users.
- ROOT is not only a file format, but mainly a general object I/O storage and management designed for rapid data analysis of very large shared data sets.
- It allows concurrent access and supports parallelism in a set of analysis clusters (LAN and WAN).



#### Functionality Test in SC (Suprime-Cam)

· The framework is combined with HSC modules and the functionalities are tested





## TSelector: Our recommended analysis skeleton



Classes derived from TSelector can run locally and in PROOF

Begin()

once on your client

SlaveBegin()

once on each slave

Init(TTree\* tree)

for each tree

Process(Long64\_t entry)

for each event

SlaveTerminate()

Terminate()