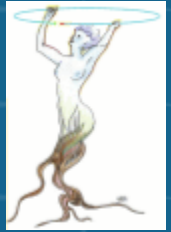


ROOT: Status and Roadmap

René Brun /SFT
30 September 2009

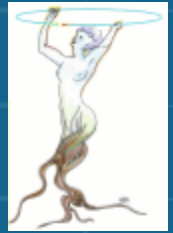


Plan

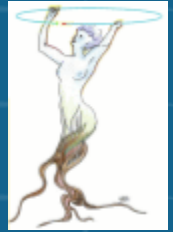
- A bit of history
- Project structure and people
- Packages status and plans
- Releases and Users
- Challenges and worries
- ROOT and SFT : wishes



Original Objectives in 95

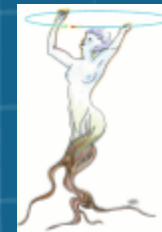


- Continue the tradition started with **CERNLIB** to develop packages targeted to the needs of our experiments and with a long life time.
- Eg **hbook** (36 years), **geant3** (28), **paw**(25): still in use!
- Focus on data analysis (PAW in the oo world)
- **Open Source** model to get contributions and feedback as soon as possible.
- First ROOT prototype for NA49 in 1995, rapidly followed by many more adopters. Bottom-up (user-driven) instead of top-down (committee) approach. Users workshops.

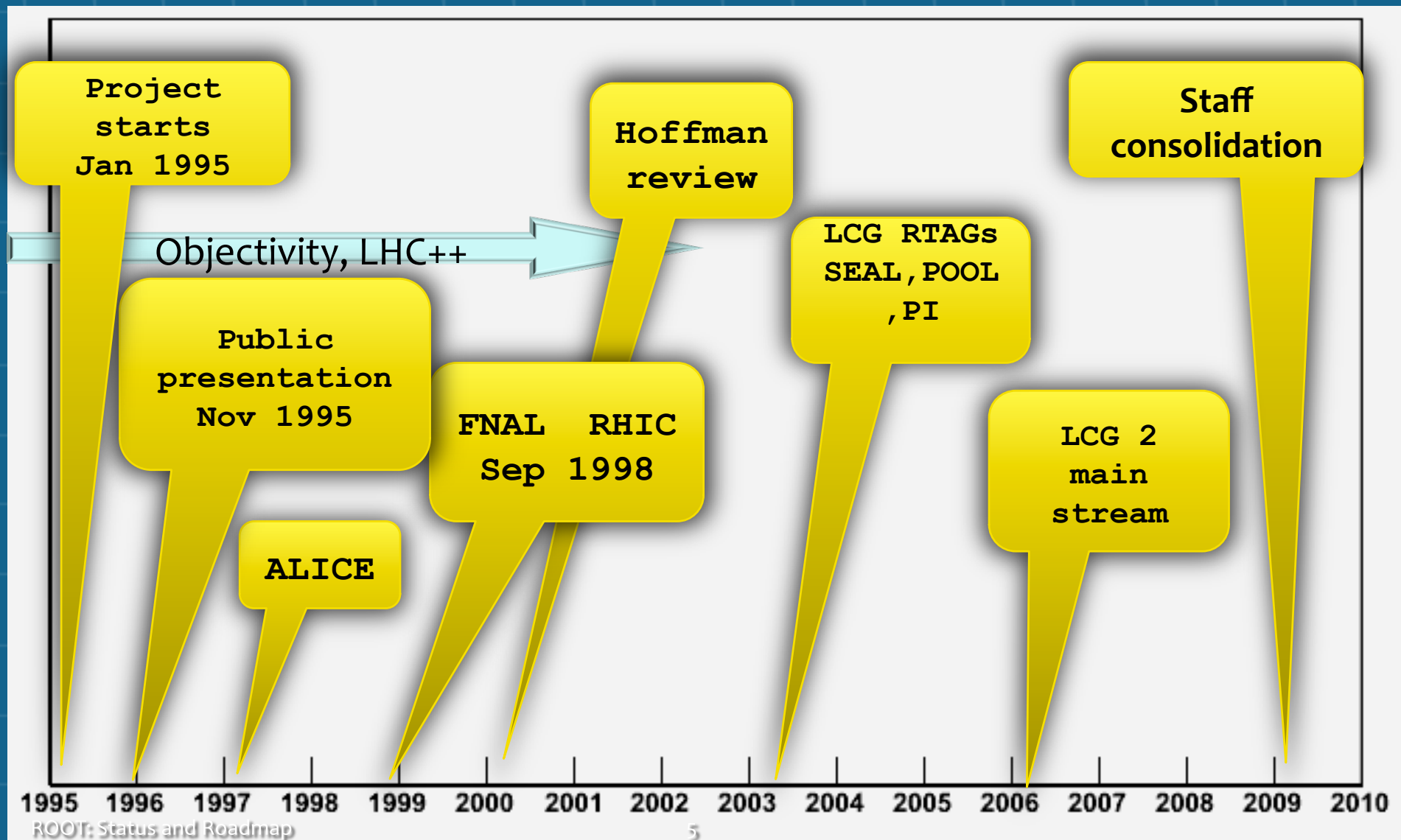


Facts

- It became rapidly clear that a general solution for object persistency was a key issue.
- In particular when FNAL, RHIC (and soon after Babar) realized in 97 that the official solution based on Objectivity was not going to work. They needed a concrete solution for 2001!
- It was vital for us to have this early experience with pre-LHC big experiments.
- We gradually implemented a general I/O system capable of writing any C++ object model and support its evolution in time.
- With the growing success of this approach, more developments were requested by users and gradually implemented when additional manpower resources became available.



Development Context



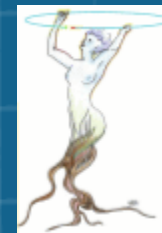


Shaping the structure

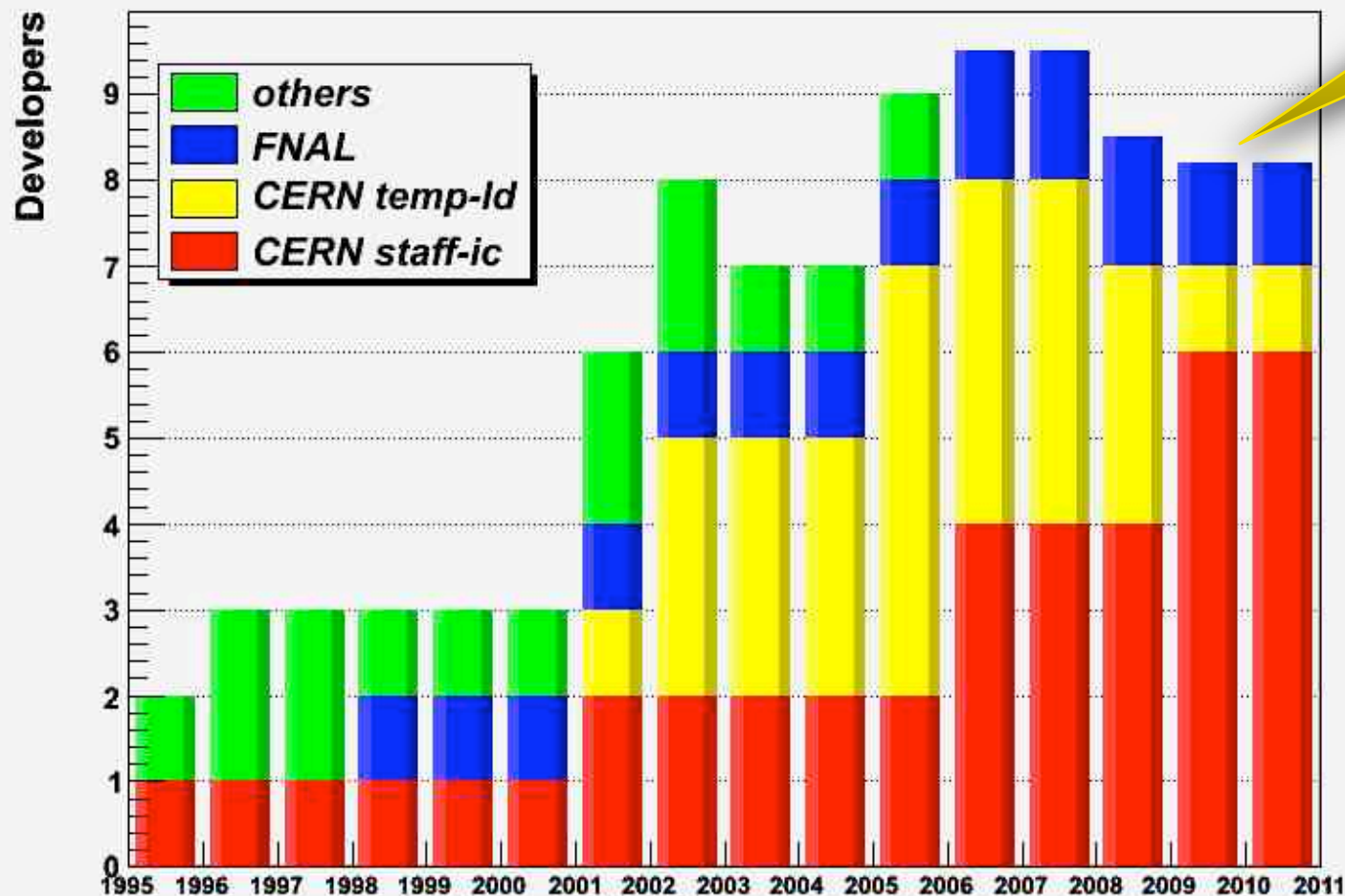
- Started with a monolithic (PAW-like) structure, we quickly moved around 2002 to a more dynamic and flexible project structure with a CORE and optional libraries dynamically linked via a plug-in manager.
- CERN manpower works on the CORE and most used libs. Many outside contributions on the optional libs, but still being careful for the medium and long term support. All libs depend on CORE for the dictionaries (trying to get CORE as stable as possible)
- Put in place a user support structure (forum, Savannah,..) and a test environment with nightly builds (with SPI).
- Several LCG reviews since 2004.



ROOT main developers



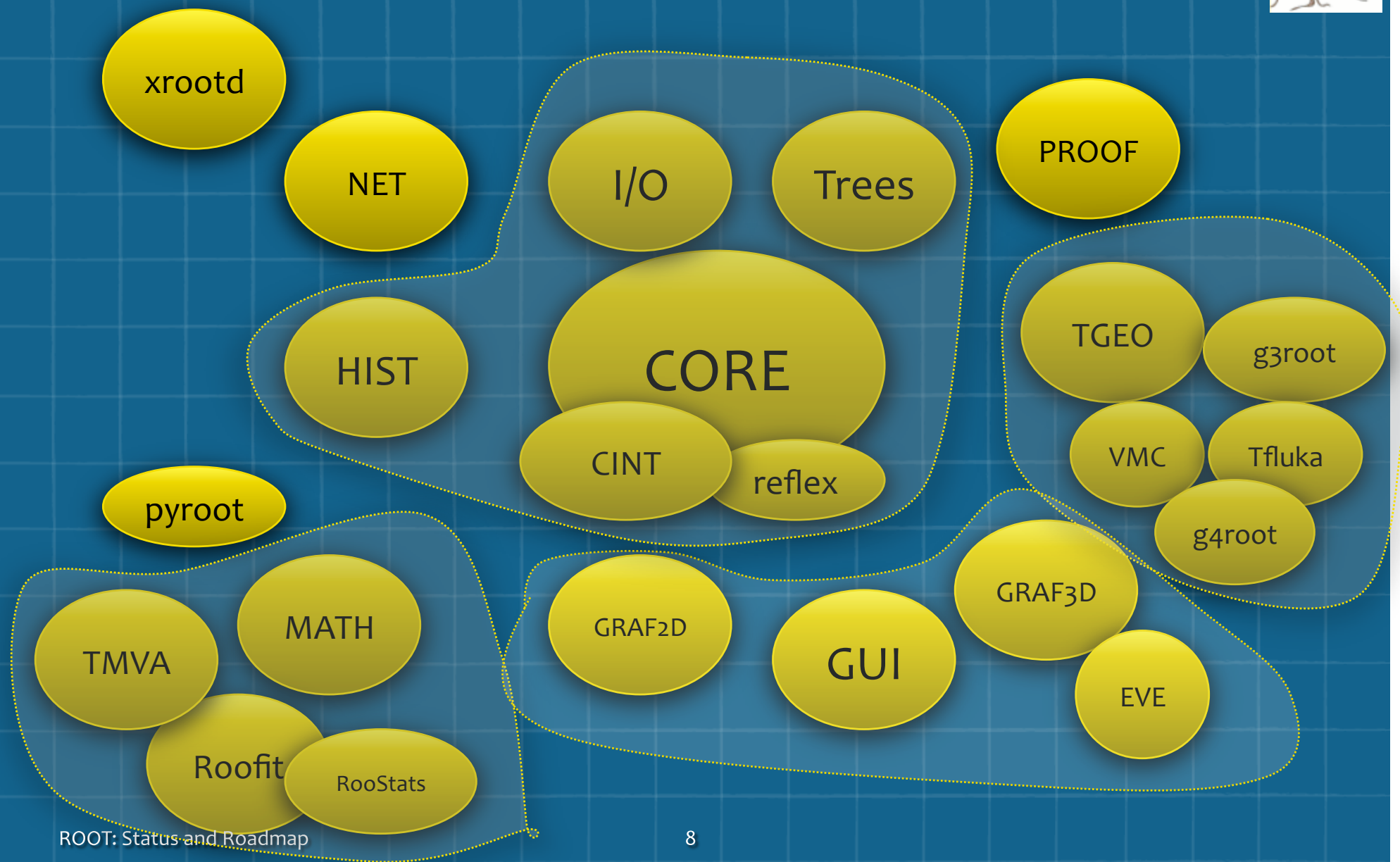
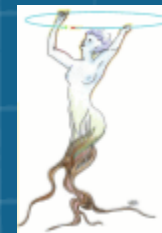
ROOT FTEs



+ one fellow

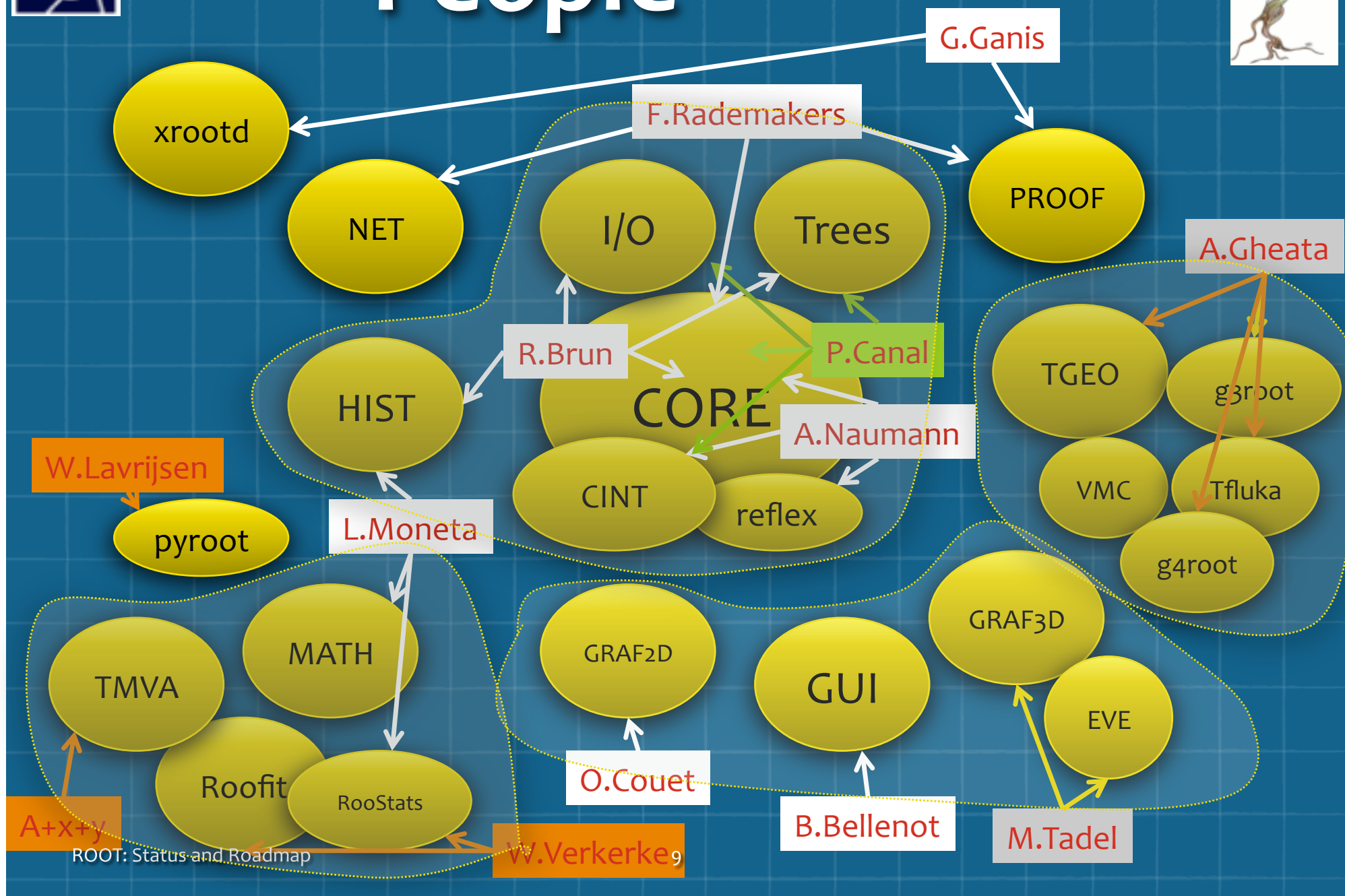
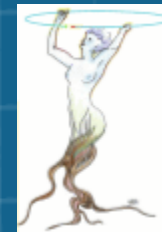


Project Structure



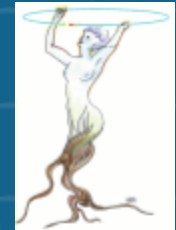


People





People (many more)



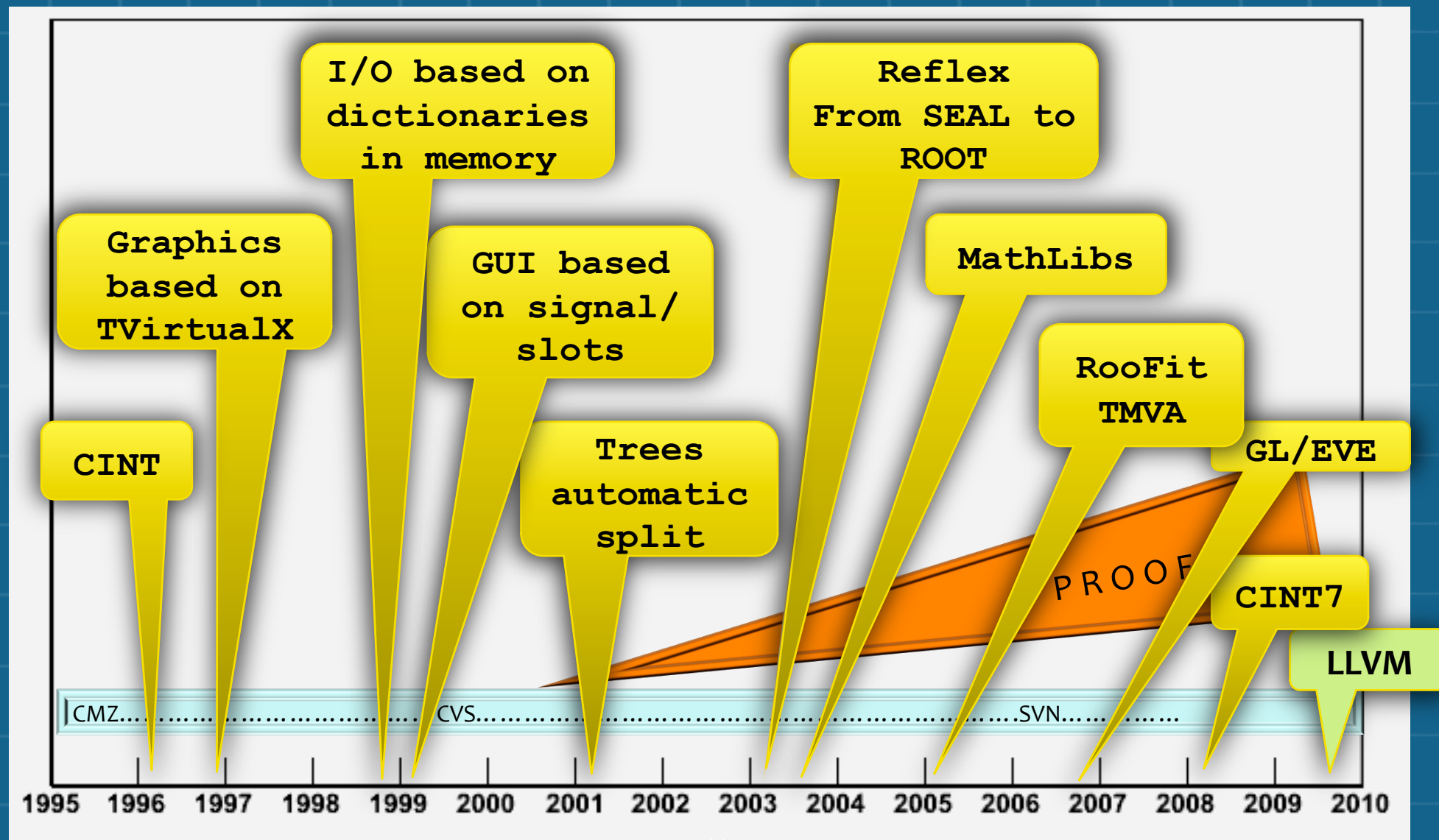
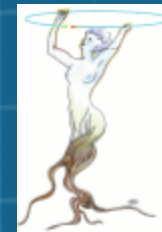
Only 23 bubbles shown in this picture.
Many more people have contributed
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smaller bubbles.

We have 177 contributors
in our [CREDITS](#) file



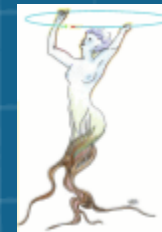


Major Technical Steps





Input/Output: Major Steps



User written
streamers
filling TBuffer

member-wise streaming
for STL collections<T*>

streamers generated
by rootcint

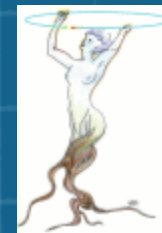
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from dictionary
with StreamerInfos
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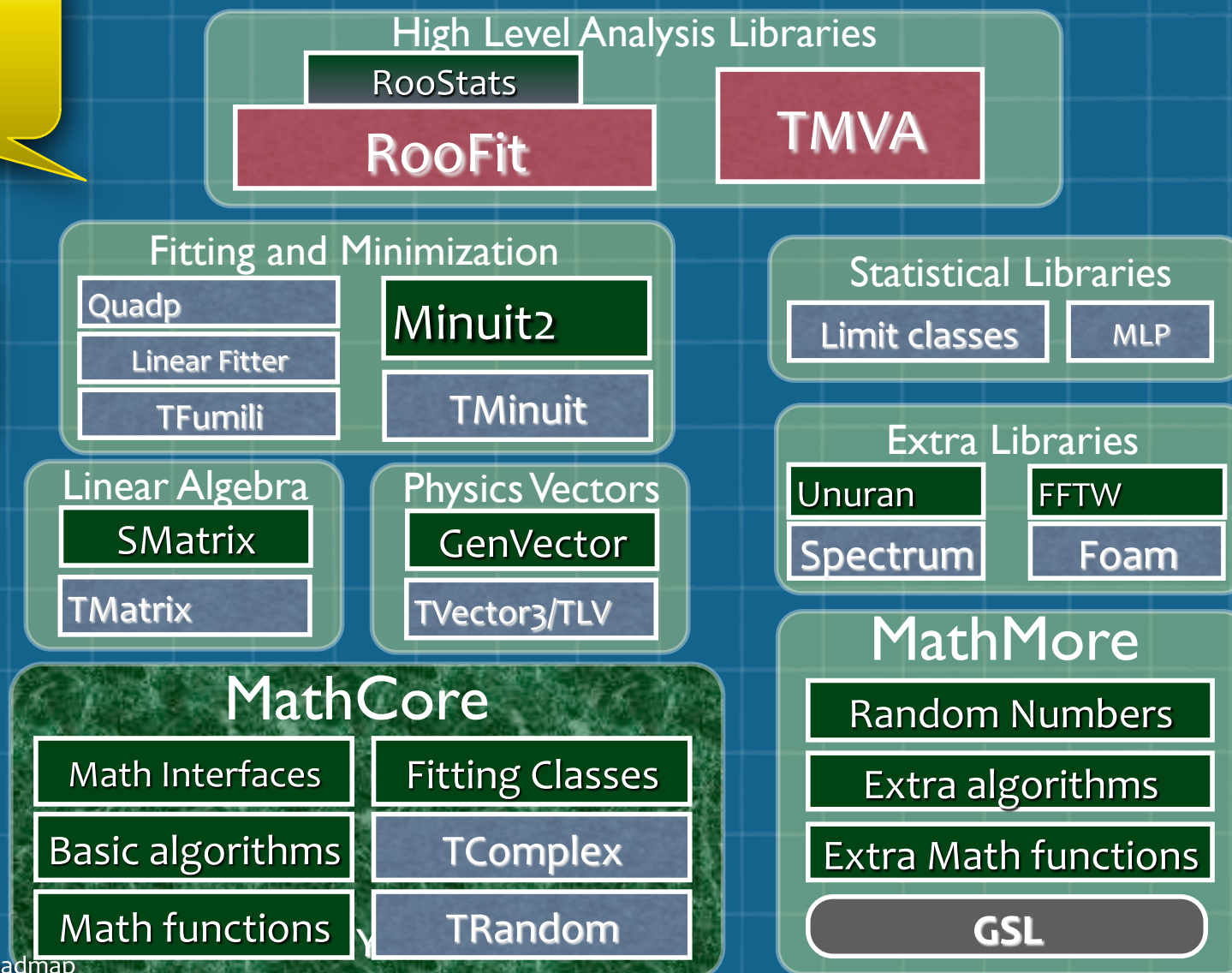
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ROOT Math/Stat Libraries

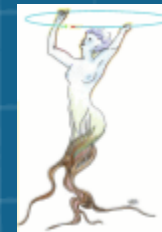
The new
CERNLIB/
MATHLIB

With better
algorithms





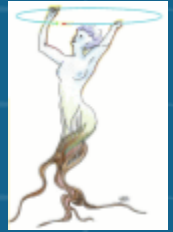
RooFit/ RooStats



- The original Babar **RooFit** package has been considerably extended by **Wouter Verkerke** (now more than 120000 lines of code)
- RooFit is the base for the new **RooStats** package jointly developed by ATLAS (**Kyle Cranmer et al**), CMS(**G.Schott et al**) and the ROOT team.
- **RooStats** is a package providing common high level tools for statistical calculation (for signal discovery, limit calculation and analysis combinations) . Tutorials for both ATLAS and CMS together are being organized in October. Regular reviews by the CMS and ATLAS statistics specialists.
- **Very nice cooperation**



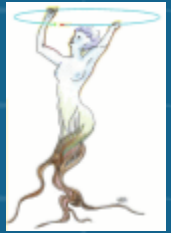
CINT → LLVM



- CINT is the CORE of ROOT for
 - Parsing and interpreting code
 - Storing the class descriptions
- A new version of CINT (**CINT7**) based on Reflex has been in the shop for 2 years until we realized that we were building on 2 incompatible worlds with **gccxml**. CINT7 was also found too slow to go to production.
- We are considering an upgrade of CINT using **LLVM** (Apple-driven OS project). LLVM is a GCC compatible compiler featuring a **JIT**.
- CINT/LLVM (**CLING**) should be **c++0x** compliant. It will reduce the dictionary size (no more wrappers). It will be more robust: the interpreter is the compiler.

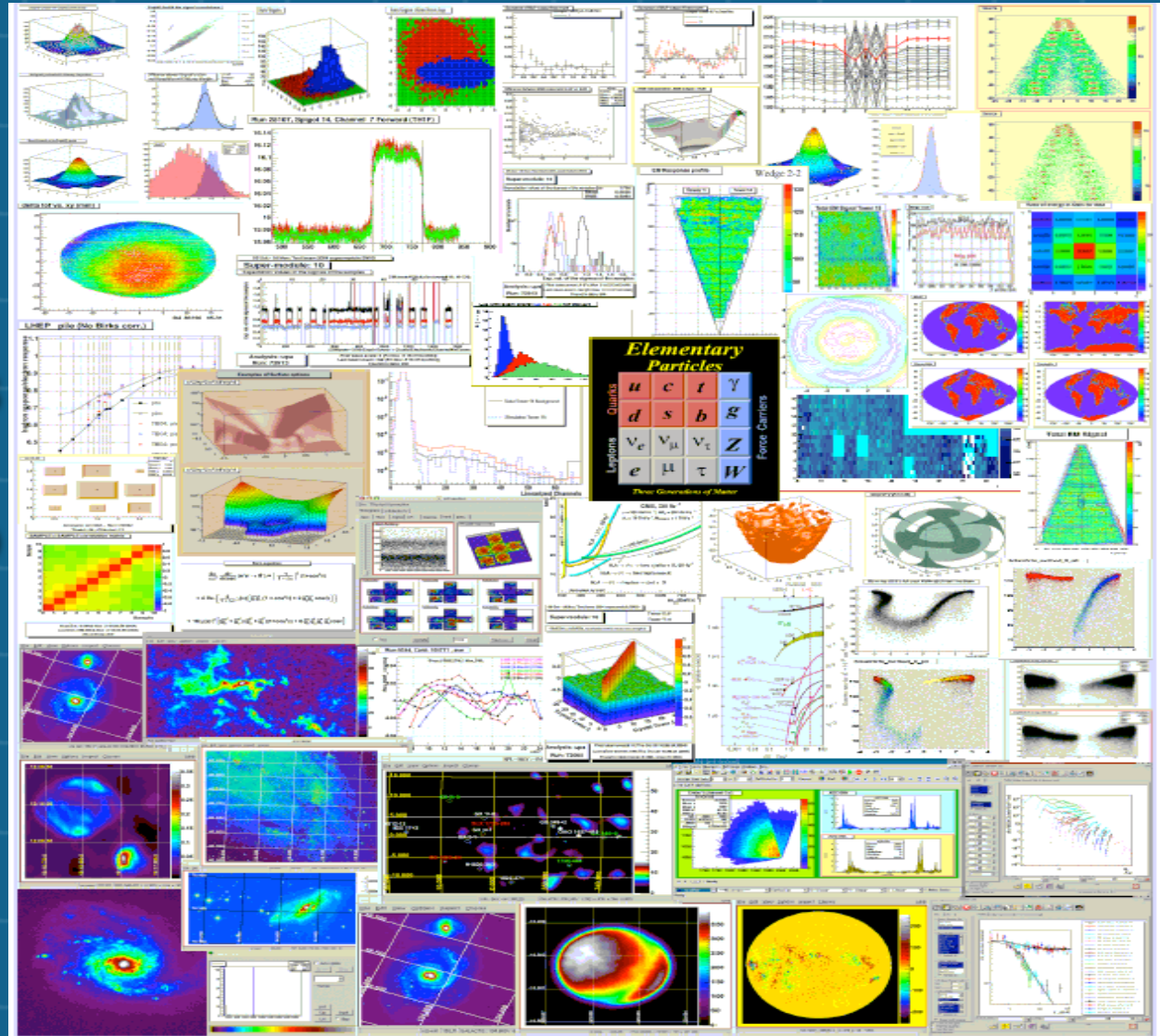


2-D Graphics



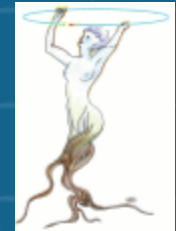
- New functions added at each new release.
- Always requests for new styles and new ways to display data.
- ps, pdf, svg, gif,

Move to GL ?

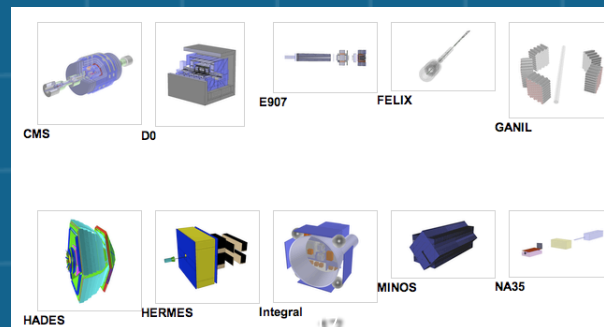




The Geometry Package TGeo



- The **TGeo** classes are now stable (thanks **ALICE**).
- Can work with different simulation engines (G3,G4,Fluka) (See **Virtual Monte Carlo**)
- **G3->TGeo, G4->TGeo, TGeo<->GDML**
- Used in online systems and reconstruction programs
- Built-in facilities for alignment
- Impressive gallery of experiments (35 detectors in **\$ROOTSYS/test/stressGeometry**)



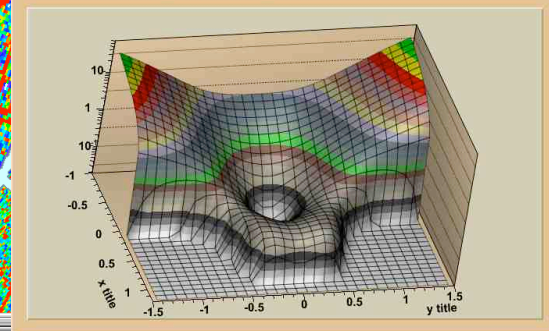
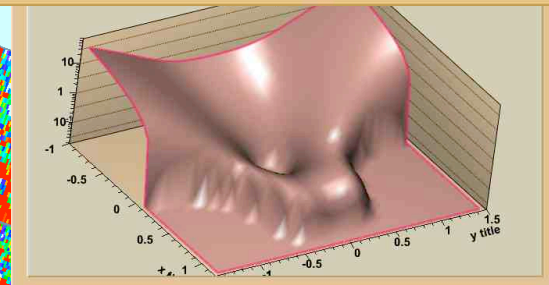
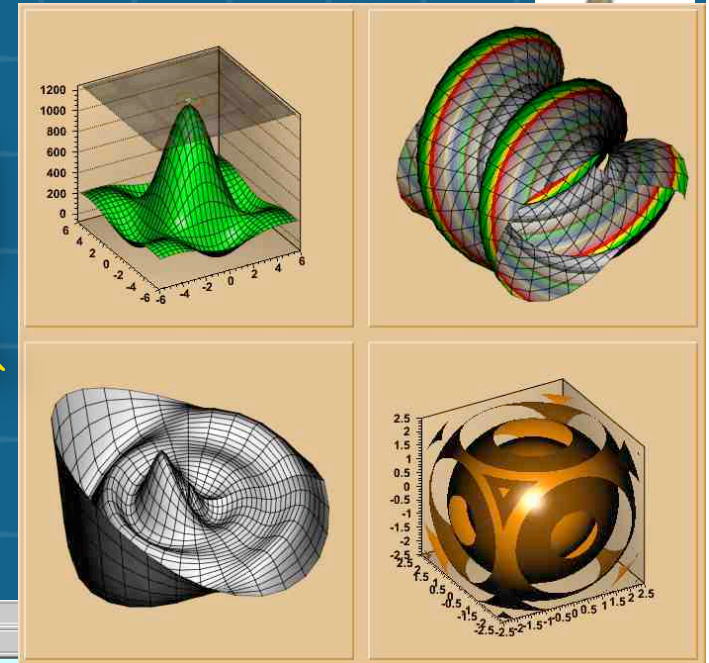
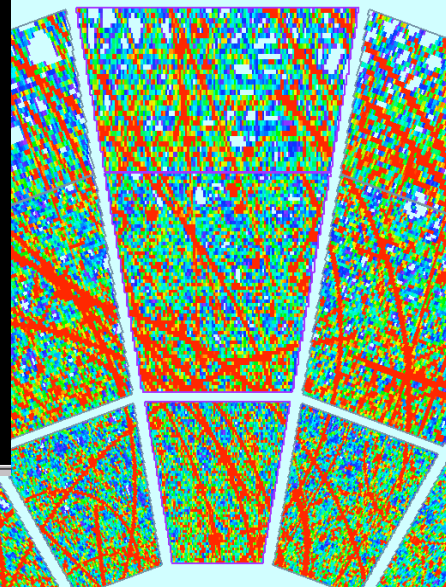
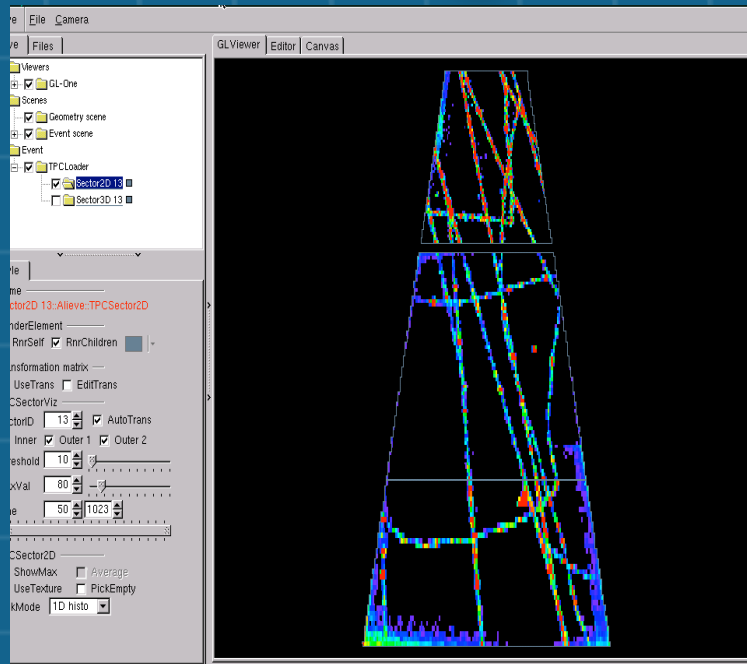


3-D Graphics



Detector hits

Mathematical objects

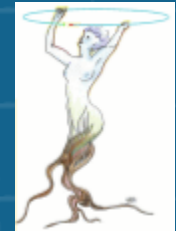


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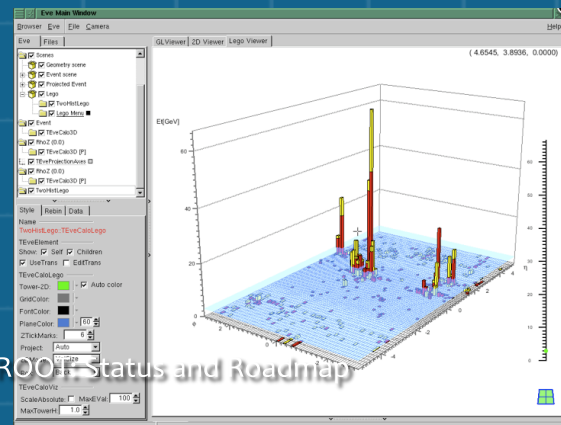
GUI created



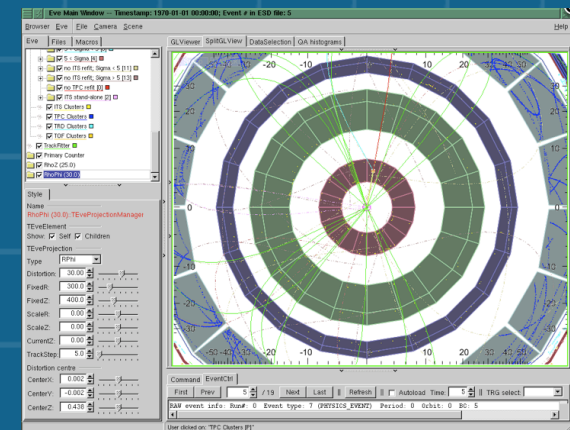
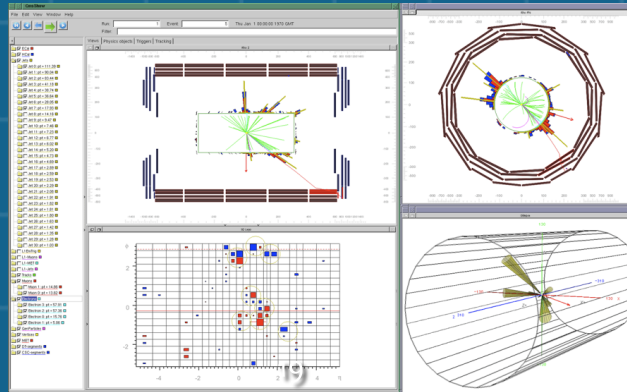
Event Display: **EVE**



- a GL-based package for event displays.
- Developed in collaboration with **ALICE** (**AliEve**) and **CMS** (**FireWorks**).
- Provides all the GUI widgets, browsers, GL infrastructure (far better than the old OpenInventor).
- Used now by many experiments (see eg **FAIRROOT**, **ILCROOT**) to display raw data, MC events or detector oriented visualization.



ROOT Status and Roadmap





GUI

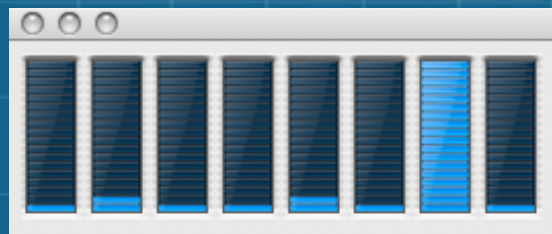


- Portable GUI with all widgets found in modern UI toolkits.
- Many enhancements in the GUI classes: browser, html browser, TABs, EVE widgets, FitPanel.
- GUI builder with C++ code generator.
- Session recorder tool (class **TRecorder**)
 - can store and replay a GUI session:
 - All mouse events
 - Keyboard input, including macro execution
- QT interfaces: a big pain, difficult to maintain with the successive versions of Qt.

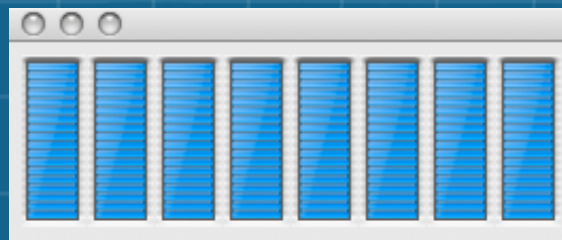


PROOF

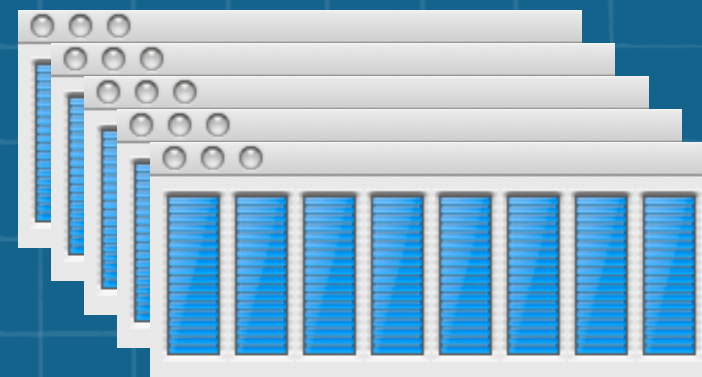
- Massive data analysis with parallel systems. Now in production in many places (see reserve slides). Growing success.
- A lot of developments for a better integration with dataset management systems and to support priority and accounting management.
- PROOF-LITE is a mini version to run on a multi-core.



ROOT: one core only



with PROOF-LITE



with PROOF



Supported Platforms

Linux (RH, SLC4, SLC5, Suse, Debian, Ubuntu)

- gcc3.4,..., gcc4.4 (32 and 64 bits)
- icc10.1, icc11.1

MacOS X (Intel/PPC, 10.4, 10.5, 10.6)

- gcc4.0.1, gcc4.2.1, gcc4.4.1, llvm-g++
- icc10.1, icc11.1

Windows (XP, Vista)

- VC++7.1, VC++9
- Cygwin gcc3.4, 4.3

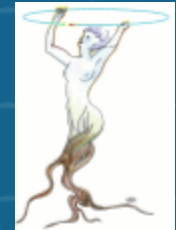
Solaris + OpenSolaris

- CC5.2
- gcc3.4, gcc4.4

Support for many compilers adds robustness at a minor development cost. It facilitates the migration to new compiler versions.



Supporting Infrastructure



- Flexible `./configure;make` based build system
 - `make -j 24` takes 2.50 min for all 2.2 million lines of code on a 24-core machine
- RPM and Debian packaging support.
- ROOT about to be distributed by native RedHat, Debian and Ubuntu
- Builds shared and static versions
- ROOT website moved from static web pages to collaborative **Drupal** based content management system

Simple and standard solution in most OS projects

<http://root.cern.ch>





Testing, Nightly builds

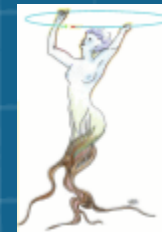


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ROOT	ROOT_today	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build
RELAX	RELAX-preview	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build (30)	tests	build	tests	build (30)	tests	build
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GAUDIATLAS	GAUDI_ATLAS	build (56)	tests	build (56)	tests	build (56)	tests	build (103)	tests	build (56)	tests	build (103)	tests	build
GAUDI	GAUDI_HEAD	build	tests	build	tests	build	tests	build (42)	tests	build	tests	build (42)	tests	build

- Several thousand tests run every night on many platforms.
- Code checking with a coding convention rule checker
- Code coverage to be improved, but already much better than any other package reviewed.
- Frequent **valgrinding** and profiling
- Excellent cooperation with **SPI**



Releases Policy



- **2 production releases per year (June and December)**

- 5.24 in June, 5.26 in December
- With patch releases with bug fixes only
- 5.22a,b,c,d, 5.24a

- **Development releases every 2 months**

- 5.23/02 feb 26
- 5.23/04 apr 23
- 5.25/02 sep 30
- 5.25/04 nov 25

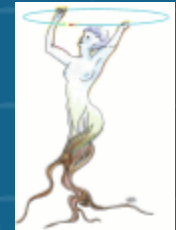


Releases and Users



- It may take a few months before large experiments move to a new version of ROOT. Currently:
 - ALICE -> 5.24 and trunk
 - LHCb -> 5.22d (testing 5.24 and trunk)
 - CMS -> 5.22d (testing trunk)
 - ATLAS -> 5.22d
- End-users typically working with very recent versions
 - To use the latest graphics features
 - To use the latest TMVA, RooFit, EVE, GUI, Maths, etc

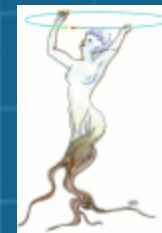
This must be improved on all sides.
Conflict between stability and new features



User Support

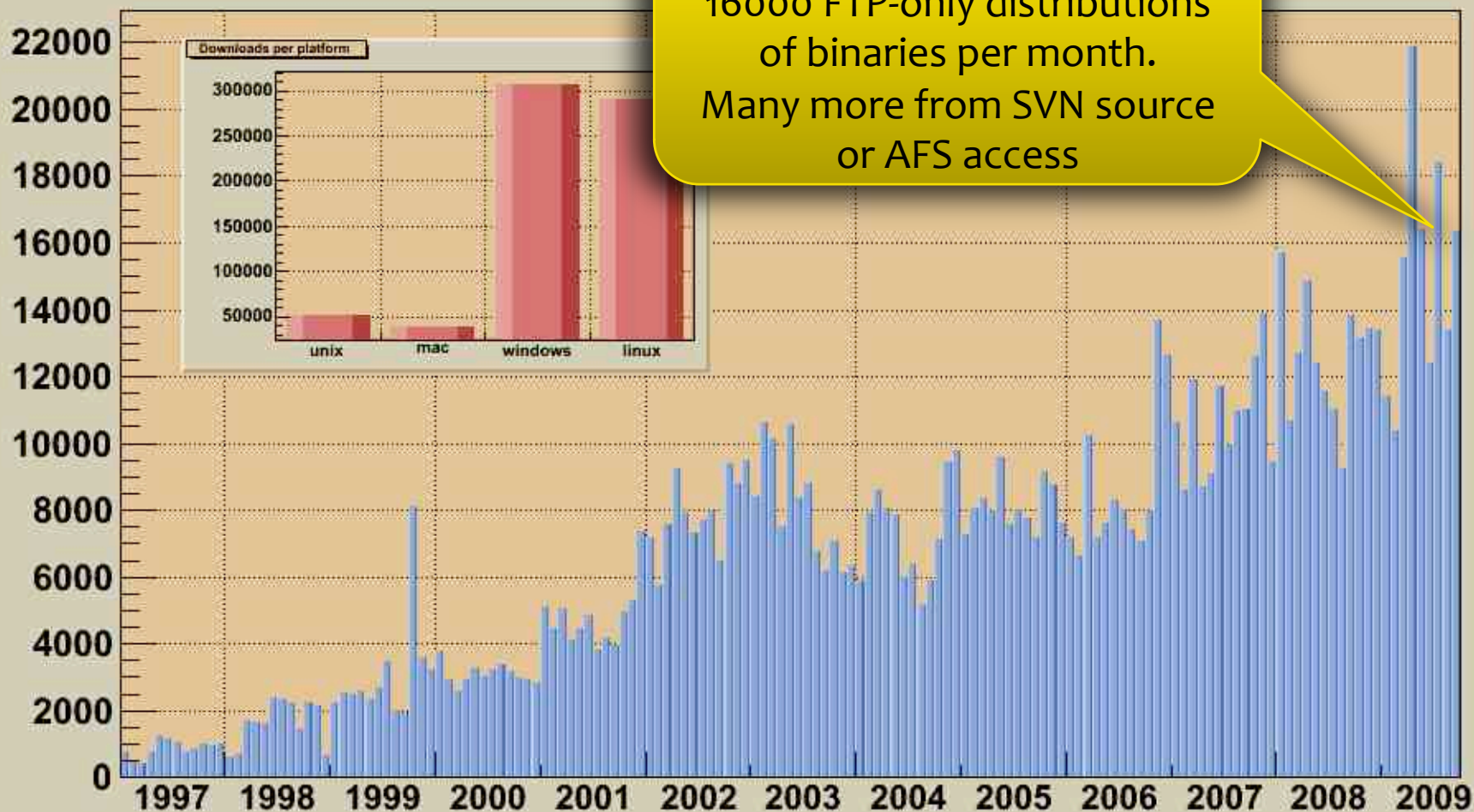
A large fraction of
the developers
time

- 🌐 We have several mailing lists, Forum, Savannah reporting systems. The speed to answer is critical. One hour is considered good, one day very bad.
- 🌐 We are discouraging the use of the **roottalk** mailing list (spam). 4600 mails in 2000, 937 in 2009
- 🌐 Many mails to **rootdev** (about 5000 per year)
- 🌐 **Rootforum** success: 4040 registered users, 38840 articles
- 🌐 **Savannah** for bug reports: 2394 reports with 108 still open. Thanks **SPI** for the good support.



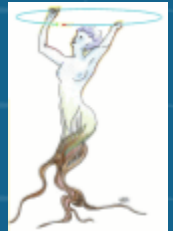
Distribution Stats

Monthly Downloads





Example of use



⬆ **Subject:** [ROOTDEV] HRS Computing
From: Stefano Carrazza <stefanocarrazza@vodafone.it> ▼
Sender: owner-rootdev@root.cern.ch ▼
Date: 09:33
To: rootdev@root.cern.ch ▼

From a mail received
this morning :😊

Hi rooters!

So, finally I'm glad to announce a new application for nonlinear optics that uses Root, it's available at:
Website: <http://hrscomputing.sourceforge.net>

Could you please add to Root's webpage, in the example applications section, the following:
HRS Computing, an example of the use of ROOT in nonlinear optics, contact person: Stefano Carrazza

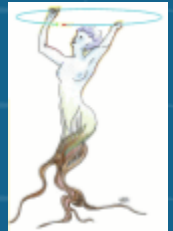
I will also post a message at roottalk with more information.

Thank you very much,
Best Regards,
Stefano Carrazza



Sloccount View

<http://www.dwheeler.com/sloccount/>



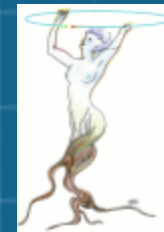
Estimation by a public tool
of manpower, time to
develop and total cost

Total Physical Source Lines of Code (SLOC) = 2,281,981
Estimated Person-Years(Months) = 827.18
(9,926.20)
Schedule Estimate, Years (Months) = 6.88 (82.55)
Estimated Average Number of Developers = 120.24
Total Estimated Cost to Develop = \$ 111,741,241

(Basic COCOMO model, Person-Months = $2.4 * (KSLOC^{**1.15})$)

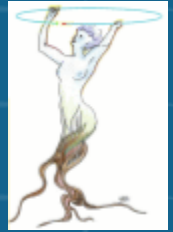
(Basic COCOMO model, Months = $2.5 * (person-months^{**0.38})$)

(average salary = \$56,286/year, overhead = 2.40).



Our Challenges

- Keep a stable core, improving robustness
- At the same time follow the technology changes
 - Distributed and parallel computing
 - Multi-core systems
 - GPU processing (OpenCL)
 - New version of C++, etc
- Improve algorithms (quality and speed)
- Improve doc , user interface, user support
- Add support for new communities, LC,etc
- **And, of course, provide a robust and efficient data analysis tool for the LHC experiments.**

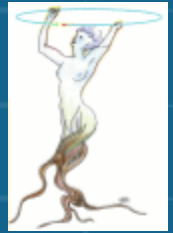


Some worries

- The CORE packages are in the hand of unique experts who have invested many years in building the system and understanding how it is used by the experiments. What will happen if one of these persons leaves.
- CINT/Reflex/LLVM in the hands of **Axel** (LD), hoping IC
- I/O, Trees: essential contribution from **Philippe** (FNAL), but no guarantee for the medium/long term.
- Replacement for **a senior staff** about to leave :😊
- It takes years to train new people to the job. One should not introduce instability in a system that is going to be used massively for the LHC analysis.



ROOT and SFT : wishes

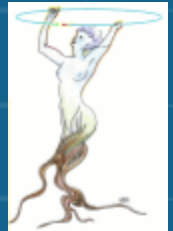


- It would be nice if the G4 and ROOT teams could improve their cooperation on items of common interest like:
 - With the interpreters CINT or/and pyroot
 - With the I/O system
 - With the Math libs, matrices, random numbers
 - With the geometry package and VMC
 - With the interfaces to event generators (common data structures)
 - With the graphics (2D & 3-D) + GUI + event displays
 - With the configuration and documentation system
 - With tuning performance and multi-core support
- This would optimize manpower, the synergy between teams and would make many users happy.

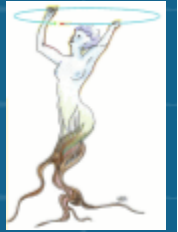
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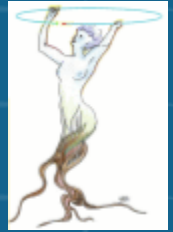
Summary



- **After 15 years of development, good balance between consolidation and new developments.**
- **ROOT is seen as the de facto new CERNLIB.**
- **The ROOT main packages (I/O & Trees) are entering a consolidation, optimization phase.**
- **We plan on upgrading CINT with the LLVM/CLING (C++0x compatible) compiler.**
- **PROOF becoming main stream for LHC analysis**
- **User Support: time consuming but essential task**
- **Request stable and sufficient manpower at a critical time for LHC analysis.**



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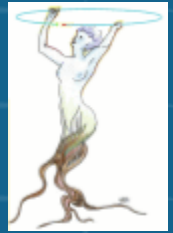


New in ROOT Math

- New numerical algorithm classes and common interfaces for function evaluation
 - mechanism to use the different implementations via the plug-in manager
- New ROOT fitting classes
 - re-engineered fitting and minimization classes
 - multiple implementations of Minimizer interfaces
 - **Minuit, Minuit2, Fumili, GSL minimizers**
 - support for parallel fitting and minimization
- New GUI for fitting all ROOT data analysis objects (histograms, graphs, trees)



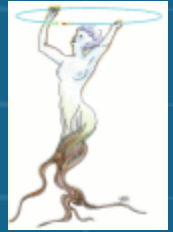
PROOF



- ✓ Parallel coordination of distributed ROOT sessions
 - ✓ Transparent: extension of the local shell
 - ✓ Scalability: small serial overhead
- ✓ Multi-Process Parallelism
 - ✓ Easy adaptation to broad range of setups
 - ✓ Less requirements on user code
- ✓ Process data where they are, if possible
 - ✓ Minimize data transfers
- ✓ Event-level dynamic load balancing via a pull architecture
 - ✓ Minimize wasted cycles
- ✓ Real-time feedback
 - ✓ Output snapshot sent back at tuneable frequency
- ✓ Automatic merging of results
- ✓ Optimized version for multi-cores (PROOF-Lite)



PROOF installations



CERN Analysis Facility

- 112 cores, 35 TB
 - Target: 500 cores, 110 TB
- Prompt analysis of selected data, calibration, alignment, fast simulation
- 5-10 concurrent users
 - ~80 users registered

GSI Analysis Facility, Darmstadt

- 160 cores, 150 TB Lustre
- Data analysis, TPC calibration
- 5-10 users
- Performance: 1.4 TB in 20 mins

Other farms: JINR, Turin

ALICE

ATLAS

Wisconsin

- 200 cores, 100 TB, RAID5
- Data analysis (Higgs searches)
- I/O performance tests w/ multi-RAID
- PROOF-Condor integration
- ~20 registered users

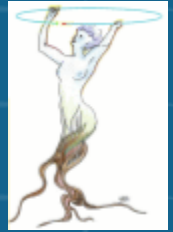
BNL

- 112 cores, 50 TB HDD, 192 GB SSD
- I/O performance tests with SSD, RAID
- Tests of PROOF cluster federation
- ~25 registered users

Test farms at LMU, UA Madrid, UTA, Duke, Manchester



PROOF: more installations



- **NAF: National Analysis Facility at DESY**

- ~900 cores shared w/ batch under SGE
- ~80 TB Lustre, dCache
- Data analysis for ATLAS, CMS, LHCb et ILC
 - PROOF tested by CMS groups
- ~300 registered users

- **CC-IN2P3, Lyon**

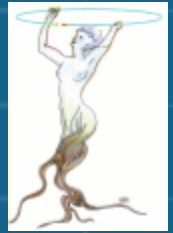
- 160 cores, 17 TB HDD
- LHC data analysis

- **Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA**

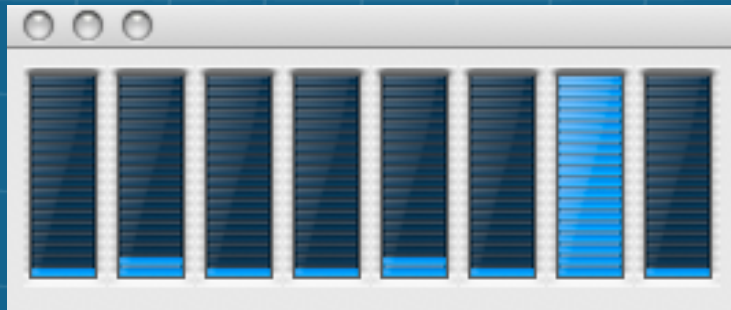
- 24 cores, dCache storage
- CMS Muon reconstruction



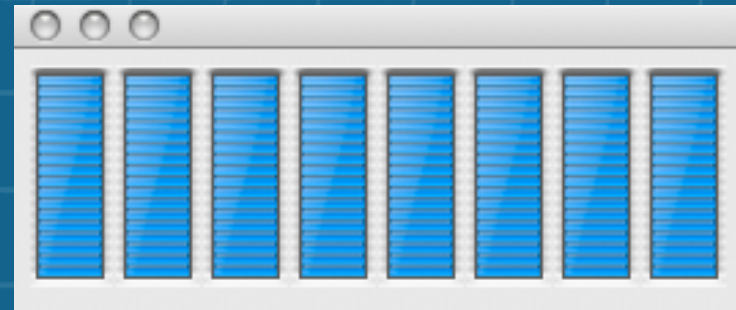
PROOF-LITE



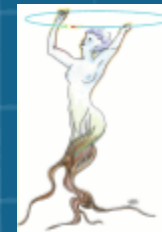
- PROOF optimized for single many-core machines
- Zero configuration setup. No config files and no daemons
- Workers are processes and not threads for robustness
- Like PROOF it can exploit fast disks, SSD's, lots of RAM, fast networks and fast CPU's
- Once your analysis runs on PROOF Lite it will also run on PROOF (with exactly the same user code)



ROOT: one core only



with PROOF-LITE



ROOT libs

- Granularity: More than 100 shared libs
- You load what you use
- root.exe** links 6 shared libs (VM < 20 Mbytes)

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(macbrun2-3) [357] ls *.so
libASImage.so      libGenVector.so    libMetaTCint.so    libRecorder.so     libTree.so         libXrdSecpwd.so
libASImageGui.so   libGeom.so         libMetaTCint_7.so  libReflex.so       libTreePlayer.so   libXrdSecsss.so
libCint.so         libGeomBuilder.so  libMinuit.so       libReflexDict.so   libTreeViewer.so   libXrdSecunix.so
libCint7.so        libGeomPainter.so  libMinuit2.so      libRint.so         libUnuran.so       libXrdSut.so
libCintex.so       libGpad.so         libNet.so          libRooFit.so       libVMC.so          libdequeDict.so
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libEG.so           libGraf3d.so       libNew.so          libRooStats.so     libXMLIO.so        libmap2Dict.so
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