Analysis Traceability and Provenance for HEP

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Outline

• Provenance
• CRISTAL
• Analysis Provenance and Neuroscience
• Provenance in N4U
• Applications for HEP
Provenance

• A Computer Science concept (*Wine, Meat, Art*)

• “Source or origin of a piece of data”

• It is a trace of how a “thing” or “entity” came into being

• It is an *audit trail* of how data came into existence (*benefit?*)

Provenance

who ran an analysis, this is a user name,
for what purpose, what their analysis is supposed to achieve,
when they ran it this is a timestamp which denotes when it started and when it finished,
where it was run this is GRID and Cloud related information,
which datasets and algorithms were used to create and run their analyses,
how it was executed, this more detailed infrastructure information
and lastly why the analysis was run, this is a justification from the user.
Provenance : Example

100g Butter
used(butter)

2 eggs
used(egg)

100g Sugar
used(sugar)

100g Flour
used(flour)

John
wasControlledBy(cook)

Bake
wasGeneratedBy(cake)

Cake

CRISTAL

- Developed at CERN in early 2000s
- Used for the tracking of the CMS ECAL Detector
- A long history and pedigree
- Is provenance enabled by design
- Used in industry (BPM, Data Processing, R&D prototyping and production)
Construction Provenance

- CRISTAL was created to track the construction of the CMS ECAL Detector
- The characteristics and identity of the components of the ECAL were gathered as structured, queryable data
- This provided quality control, decision support and eventually data for detector calibration
Analysis Provenance

• CRISTAL for computational research

• Developed for neuroimage analysis for the NeuGRID EC FP7 project and its follow-on N4U

• Used to track the production and the running of analyses on the GRID
Neuroscience

• Analyses as workflows
• Therefore it is *workflow provenance*
• Events generated at step execution
  • These generate *metadata* which can be queried
• Provenance collected at *infrastructure* level as well
N4U

- Neuroscientists run 1000+ experiments a year
- They need to share results
- Provenance is key for this
- Datasets registered:
  - Images catalogued using clinical metadata
  - Usage tracked
Provenance in N4U

N4U Virtual Laboratory

Provenance enabled objects

- Subject Metadata
- Data Structure Definitions
- Images
- Pipelines
- Queries
- Analyses

Analysis Base

Statistical Analysis Package

Indexing

Specific Support Centre

Science Gateway

Online Helpdesk

Knowledgebase

Dashboard

Selected data

Selected pipeline

Analysis execution

Visualised results

Analysis Services Workarea

Visualisation Tools

Analysis Service

Visualisation input

Analysis results

N4U Analysis Services

WP9

WP10

Grid/Cloud

N4U Information Services

Project data
- Images
- Subject metadata definitions & data
- Pipeline definitions
Provenance in N4U
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FOR HEP

• Currently working with the DPHEP initiative
• Applying “Provenance Enabled Objects” to the world of HEP: Analysis Provenance
• Future-proof dataset preservation through structure description and annotation.
• Work is currently ongoing
Conclusion

• CRISTAL is now open source – LGPL v3 (http://www.cristal-ise.org)

• Source Code : http://cristal-ise.github.io

• Used in Industry :
  – Technoledge (Geneva, Switzerland)
  – M1i (Annecy, France)
  – Alpha-3i (Rumilly, France)
  – New UK startup for dataset tracking