Possible evolution of the ALICE software packages (offline)

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From AliRoot to AliRoot + AliPhysics

- Successful transition
- In production since the beginning of 2015
- "Small" AliPhysics package under active development
- "Big" AliRoot package, relatively stable
 - Hosting on GitHub is not possible (> 2GB)
 - Working with "big" repository is more difficult
- At the same time we have set of external packages (~20), see the next page

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gmp	6.0.0_1	~	OK	OK	OK	N/A	OK	OK		2MBGNU		Wed Mar 11 17:32:34 2015	00:01:06
jemalloc	3.6.0_1	~	OK	OK	OK	N/A	OK	OK		2MBBSD License		Mon Mar 9 16:32:06 2015	00:00:20
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AliRoot hosting "external" code & data

- Generators & interfaces
 - DIME
 - DPMJET
 - EPOS
 - HERWIG
 - HIJING
 - PYTHIA6
 - PYTHIA8
 - STARLIGHT
 - TAmpt
 - TDPMjet
 - TEPEMGEN
 - TEvtGen
 - THbtp
 - THerwig
 - THijing
 - THydjet
 - TPHIC
 - TTherminator
 - TUHKMgen

- OCDB
 - Root files
- LHAPDF
 - Also data files
- "Libraries"
 - MICROCERN: additional to Geant3?
 - Vc: available also in Root
- "Tools"
 - RuleChecker: obsolete and not supported

Advantages

- "Easy" distribution
- "Self-consistent" versions
- Full access to the code, possibility to modify it
- Control of the compilation options
- Possibility to use rootmaps
- Psychology: "People are used to it"

Disadvantages

- Heterogeneous build: packages outside and inside AliRoot
- Big size of repository
- Not clear what are the modifications we do in the "external" packages
- No support for the external packages in AliRoot
- Conflicting versions of some packages, i.e. Pythia6, Vc from Root vs AliRoot
- Different testing patterns

Proposal for the "external" packages

- Use the FairSoft way of distribution of external packages (or directly FairSoft after including there the missing packages)
 - Download from the authoritative source and apply well defined set of patches (if needed)
 - Use CMake to steer the process
 - Use configuration file to specify the set of versions and their dependencies

Proposal for OCDB

- Remove the Root files from AliRoot, including the history
- Provide set of macros to be able to generate the default OCDB (Raffaele is discussing with the detector experts)
- Provide an OCDB snapshot for anchored simulation tests (from AliEn or from a dedicated URL)

What do we do for packages, available only from AliRoot?

- Several generators are available only from AliRoot, i.e DPMJET, TUHKMgen, etc.
- Possibilities
 - Keep in AliRoot
 - Make new repository(ies) and use it(them) in the compilation of the external packages
- The second option has advantage if we need to restrict the access