



Challenges in Long Term Computing Models ROOT Solutions



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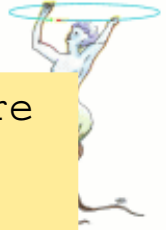
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Everything changes

Atlas with more than 25000 classes



Application



packages





A long time ago

- With the advent of time sharing systems like VAX/VMS, then personal work stations, the request for interactive analysis systems is growing.
- Two systems emerge in 1982
- **HTV** at CERN (interactive histogram presenter)
- **GEP** at DESY (support for vectors/tuples)
- Attempt to combine these two systems in 1984 fails (GEP was written in PL1)



BOS, ZEBRA: The banks era



- Designed for Fortran applications.
- Mainly 2 data types: ints and floats
- Could describe complex structures
- Self-described bank format (3 ints, then floats)
- Up to the application to interpret contents
- No schema evolution
- Not appropriate for languages supporting derived data types



The PAW era (1984 →)



- First version end 1984:
- No ntuples
- A command line interface **KUIP**
- An “abstract” interface to graphics (**HIGZ**) with implementations for the CORE system (US), GKS, Apollo graphics, PHIGS
- New data set format (**Zebra/RZ**) with support for row-wise ntuples



The PAW era (2)

- New version end 1986
- A ntuple query system (**ntuple/plot**)
- Column-wise ntuples
- Fortran interpreter: **COMIS**
- Successful system for the final steps of data analysis. Still in use today in many places.
- However, the PAW file format was not designed to support collections of large data sets.



LHC software: first steps: 1994

- First attempts to organize the software for LHC
- **RD44** (Geant4) and **RD45** (objy) projects
- Some gurus predict that Object-Oriented data bases will dominate the market in 2000
- Painful move to C++
- Commercial software approach (**LHC++**)
- Transient model = persistent model
- Central data base, single point of failure
- No schema evolution



ROOT project starts: 1995

- Based on previous experience with PAW/GEANT
- Use **C++ for interpreter**
- Use lessons learned with PAW and ZEBRA I/O
- Design for very large data sets (mainly read-only)
- Object-Orientation; GUI, Graphics, I/O
- Quickly realize importance of **object dictionaries**
- From custom streamers to **automatic schema evolution**.
- **Member-wise streaming** vs object-wise streaming
- Query system very important
- Design for **Parallelism and Network Access**



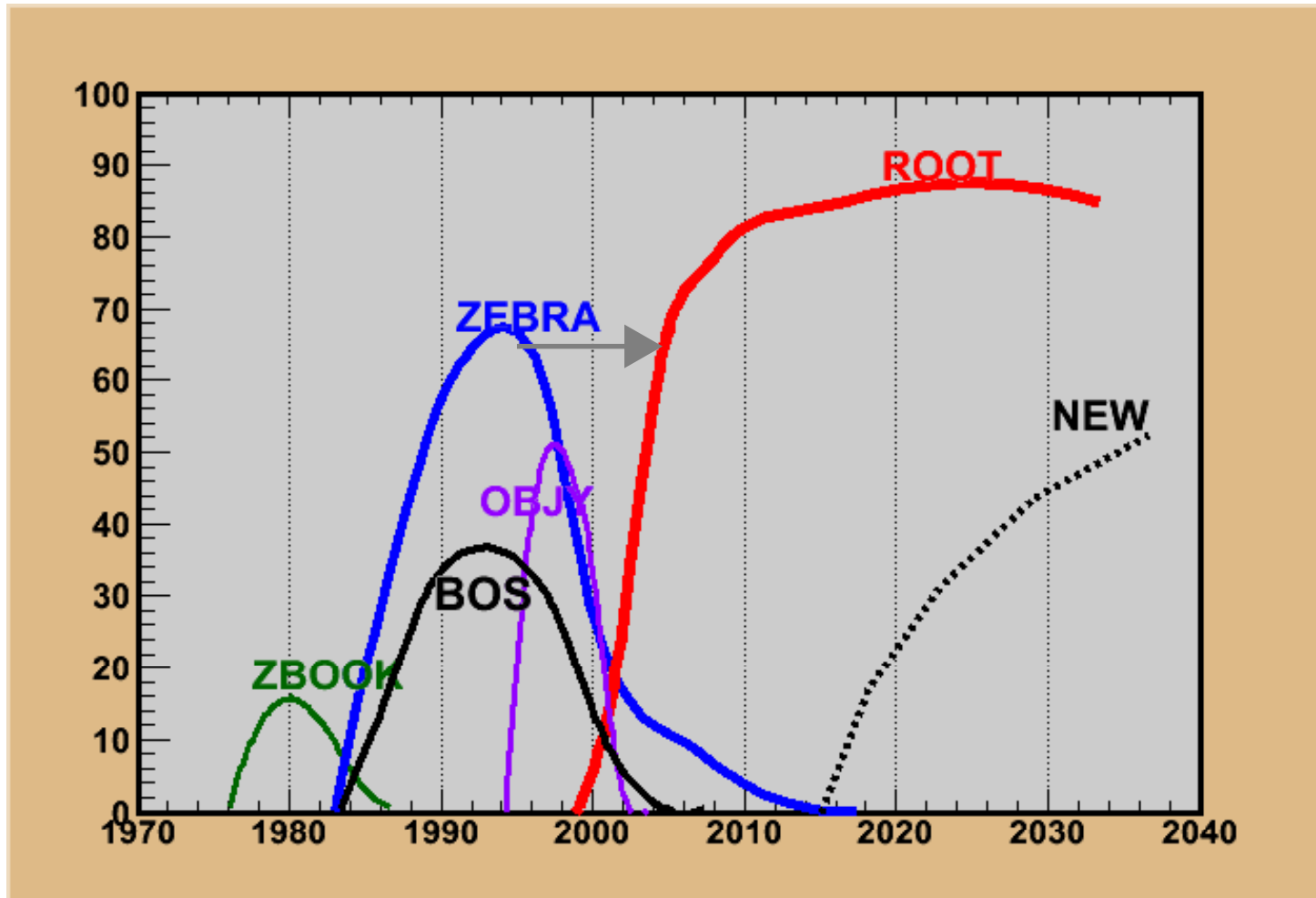
HDF, HDF5



- The Hierarchical Data Format is the standard in the astronomy, astrophysics world.
- Very good attempt to structure data sets in files
- BUT, missing the essential components to automatically build in memory complex data structures (application task!)
- No support for automatic schema evolution
- Efficient network access left to the application

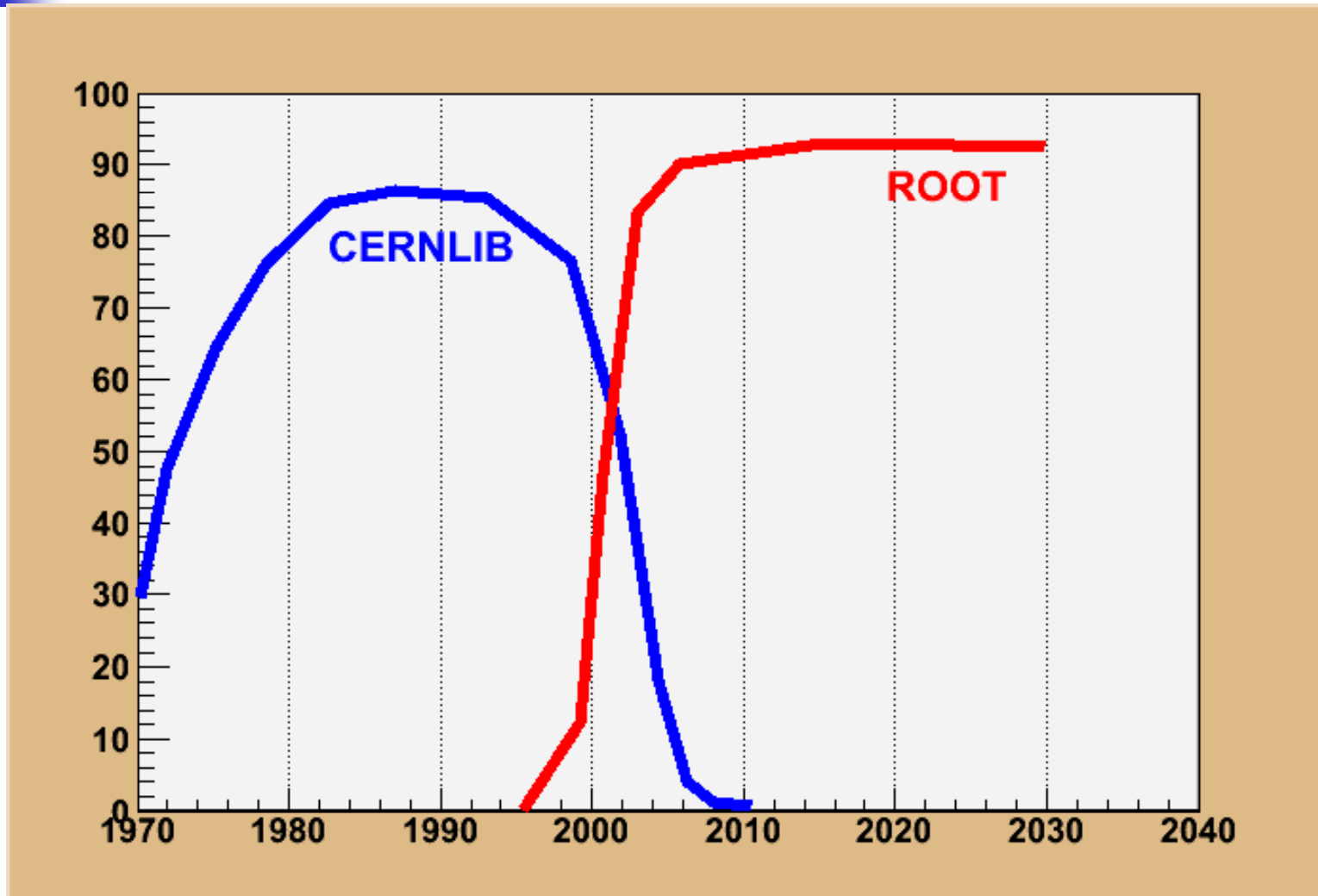


I/O packages evolution in HEP





CERNLIB to ROOT





ROOT shared libs



You dynamically load what you use

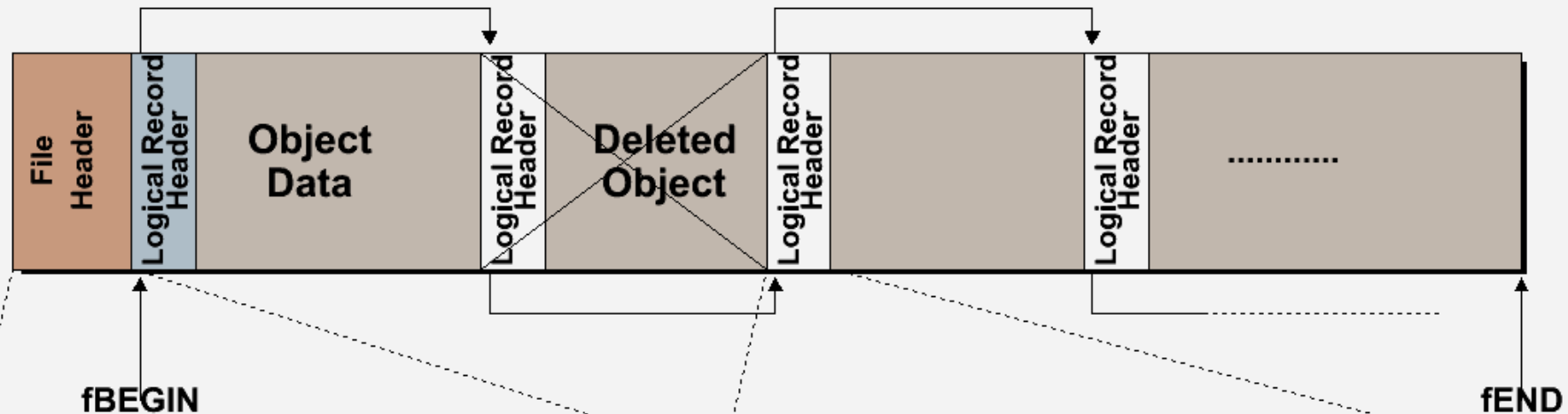
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libCint.so         libGraf3d.so      libProofPlayer.so libSrvAuth.so      libXrdSeckrb5.so
libCintex.so      libGui.so         libProofx.so      libTMVA.so         libXrdSecpwd.so
libCore.so        libGuiBld.so     libQuadr.so       libTable.so        libXrdSecsss.so
libEG.so          libGuiHtml.so    libRGL.so         libThread.so       libXrdSecunix.so
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libFitPanel.so    libMLP.so        libReflexDict.so libX3d.so          libminicern.so
libFoam.so        libMathCore.so   libRint.so       libXMLIO.so       libmultimap2Dict.so
libFumili.so      libMathMore.so   libRooFit.so     libXMLParser.so   libmultimapDict.so
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libGenVector.so   libNetx.so       libSPlot.so     libXrdOfs.so
libGeom.so        libNew.so        libSQL.so        libXrdProofd.so
libGeomBuilder.so libPhysics.so    libSessionViewer.so libXrdRootd.so
libGeomPainter.so libPostscript.so libSmatrix.so    libXrdSec.so
```



ROOT Files and Trees

Analysis model

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
fDatetime: 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



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=274      TH1D      CX = 7.38
20070713/195531  At:494      N=331      TH1D      CX = 2.46
20070713/195531  At:825      N=290      TH1D      CX = 2.80
...
20070713/195531  At:391047   N=1010     TH1D      CX = 3.75
Address = 392057      Nbytes = -889  =====G A P=====
20070713/195519  At:392946   N=2515     TBasket   CX = 195.48
20070713/195519  At:395461   N=23141    TBasket   CX = 1.31
20070713/195519  At:418602   N=2566     TBasket   CX = 10.40
20070713/195520  At:421168   N=2518     TBasket   CX = 195.24
20070713/195532  At:423686   N=2515     TBasket   CX = 195.48
20070713/195532  At:426201   N=2023     TBasket   CX = 15.36
20070713/195532  At:428224   N=2518     TBasket   CX = 195.24
20070713/195532  At:430742   N=375281   TTree     CX = 4.2
20070713/195532  At:806023   N=43823    TTree     CX = 1.84
20070713/195532  At:849846   N=6340     TH2F      CX = 100.63
20070713/195532  At:856186   N=951      TH1F      CX = 9.02
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]

```

Classes dictionary

List of keys



TFile::ls



```
root [3] falice->ls()
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_backfit;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_refit;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_clSearch;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_X;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_ncl;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_nclTrack;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_minYPos;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_minYNeg;1
KEY: TH2D      logTRD_minD;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_minZ;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_deltaX;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_xCl;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_clY;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_clZ;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_clB;1
KEY: TH1D      logTRD_clG;1
KEY: TTree     esdTree;1          Tree with ESD objects
KEY: TTree     HLTesdTree;1      Tree with HLT ESD objects
KEY: TH2F      TOFDig_ClusMap;1
KEY: TH1F      TOFDig_NClus;1
KEY: TH1F      TOFDig_ClusTime;1
KEY: TH1F      TOFDig_ClusToT;1
KEY: TH1F      TOFRec_NClusW;1
KEY: TH1F      TOFRec_Dist;1
KEY: TH2F      TOFDig_SigYVsP;1
KEY: TH2F      TOFDig_SigZVsP;1
KEY: TH2F      TOFDig_SigYVsPWin;1
KEY: TH2F      TOFDig_SigZVsPWin;1
```




TFile::MakeProject

```
(macbrun2) [253] root -l
root [0] TFile *falice = TFile::
root [1] falice->MakeProject("al
MakeProject has generated 26 cl
alice/MAKEP file has been gene
Shared lib alice/alice.so has be
Shared lib alice/alice.s has be
root [2] !ls alice
AliESDCaloCluster.h      AliESDZD
AliESDCaloTrigger.h     AliESDca
AliESDEvent.h           AliESDfr
AliESDFMD.h             AliESDfr
AliESDHeader.h          AliESDki
AliESDMuonTrack.h       AliESDtr
AliESDPmdTrack.h        AliESDv0
AliESDRun.h             AliExter
AliESDTZERO.h           AliFMDFl
AliESDTrdTrack.h        AliFMDMa
AliESDVZERO.h           AliMulti
AliESDVertex.h          AliRawDa
root [3]
```

```
AliESDCaloCluster.h:2  <No selected symbol>

////////////////////////////////////
// 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_t
#define AliESDCaloCluster_t
class AliESDCaloCluster;

#include "TObject.h"
#include "TArrayS.h"

class AliESDCaloCluster : public TObject {
public:
  Int_t      FID; //Unique Id of the cluster
  Int_t      FClusterType; //Flag for different clustering versions
  Bool_t     FEMCALCluster; //Is this is an EMCAL cluster?
  Bool_t     FPHOSCluster; //Is this is a PHOS cluster?
  Float_t    FGlobalPos[3]; //position in global coordinate system
  Float_t    FEnergy; //energy measured by calorimeter
  Float_t    FDispersion; //cluster dispersion, for shape analysis
  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 elger axis
  Float_t    FM11; //2-nd mixed moment Mxy
  USHORT_t   FNFxMax; //number of (Fx-)maxima before unfolding
  Float_t    FEmcCpvDistance; //the distance from PHOS EMC rec.point to the closest CPV rec.point
  Float_t    FDistToBadChannel; //Distance to nearest bad channel
  TArrayS*   FTracksMatched; //Index of tracks close to cluster. First entry is the most likely
  TArrayS*   FLabels; //list of primaries that generated the cluster, ordered in deposits
  TArrayS*   FDigitAmplitude; //digit energy (integer units)
  TArrayS*   FDigitTime; //time of this digit (integer units)
  TArrayS*   FDigitIndex; //calorimeter digit index

  AliESDCaloCluster();
  virtual ~AliESDCaloCluster();

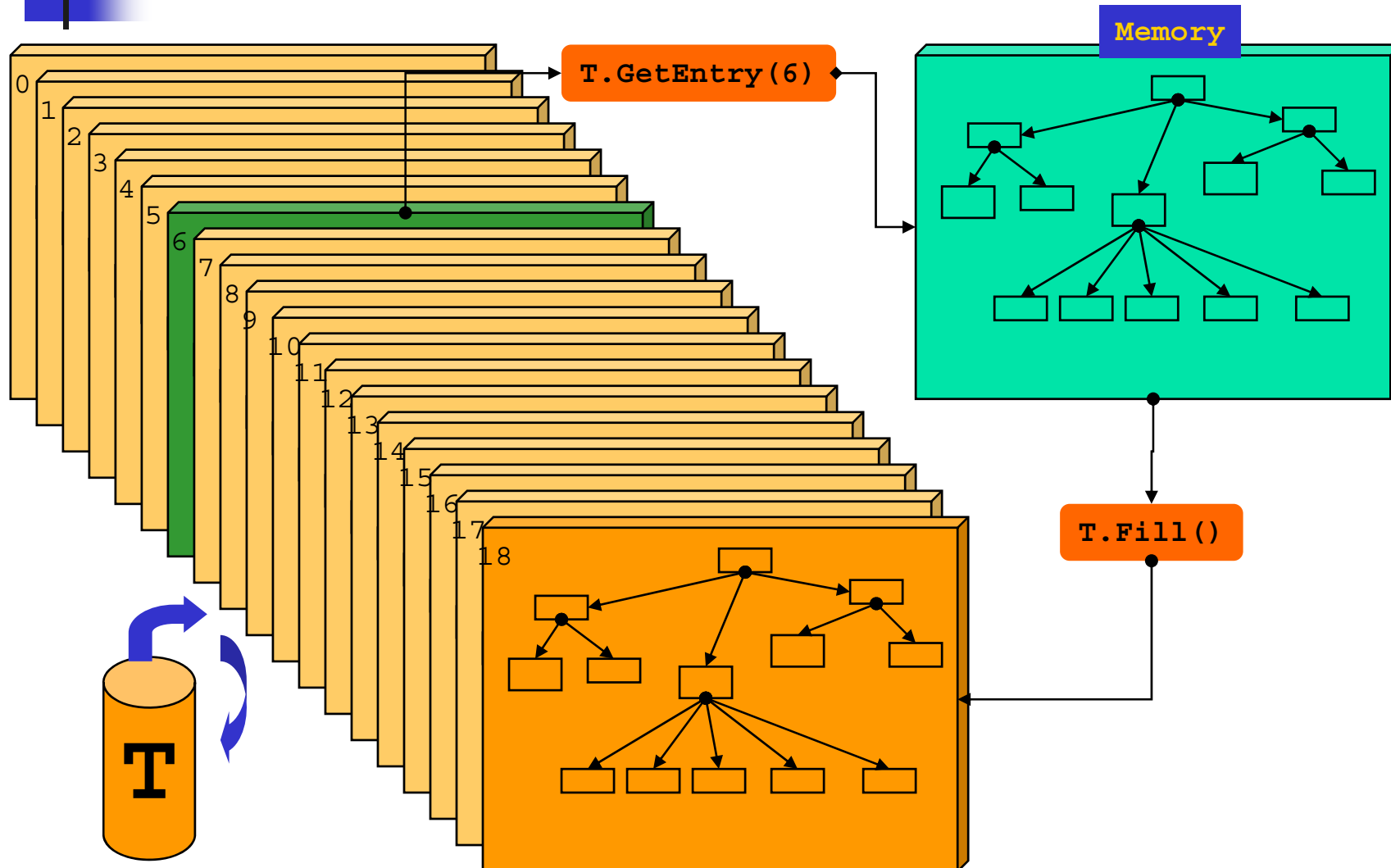
  ClassDef(AliESDCaloCluster,5); // Generated by MakeProject.
};
#endif
```





Memory <--> Tree

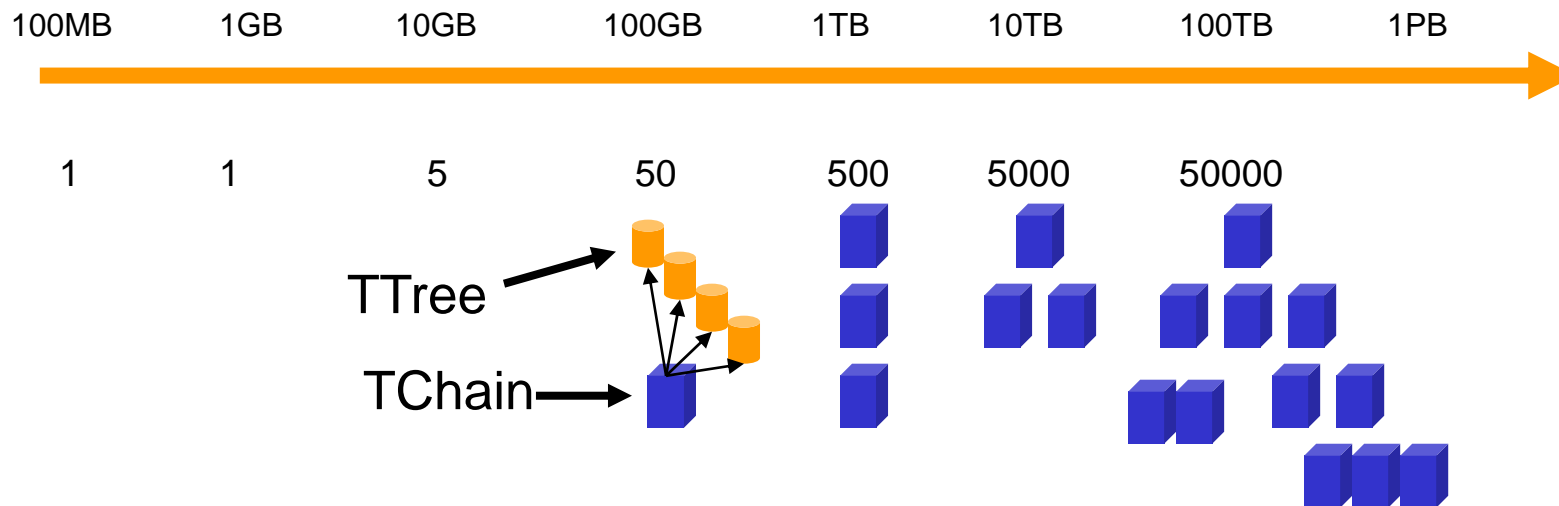
Each Node is a branch in the Tree



The screenshot shows the ROOT Object Browser interface. The left pane displays a tree view of folders, with 'Electrons' selected under the 'T' folder. The right pane shows the contents of the selected folder, listing eight files: 'Electrons.fBits', 'Electrons.fUniqueID', 'Electrons.m_Eta', 'Electrons.m_KFcode', 'Electrons.m_KFmother', 'Electrons.m_MCParticle', 'Electrons.m_PT', and 'Electrons.m_Phi'. Three callout boxes provide additional information: a blue bubble points to the 'Electrons' folder with the text '8 leaves of branch Electrons'; a pink bubble points to the 'Electrons.m_PT' file with the text 'A double-click to histogram the leaf'; and a yellow bubble points to the 'T' folder in the left pane with the text '8 Branches of T'.



Data Volume & Organisation



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



Access Transparency



```
TFile *f1 = TFile::Open("local.root")

TFile *f2 = TFile::Open("root://cdfsga.fnal.gov/bigfile.root")

TFile *f3 = TFile::Open("rfio://castor.cern.ch/alice/aap.root")

TFile *f4 = TFile::Open("dcache://main.desy.de/h1/run2001.root")

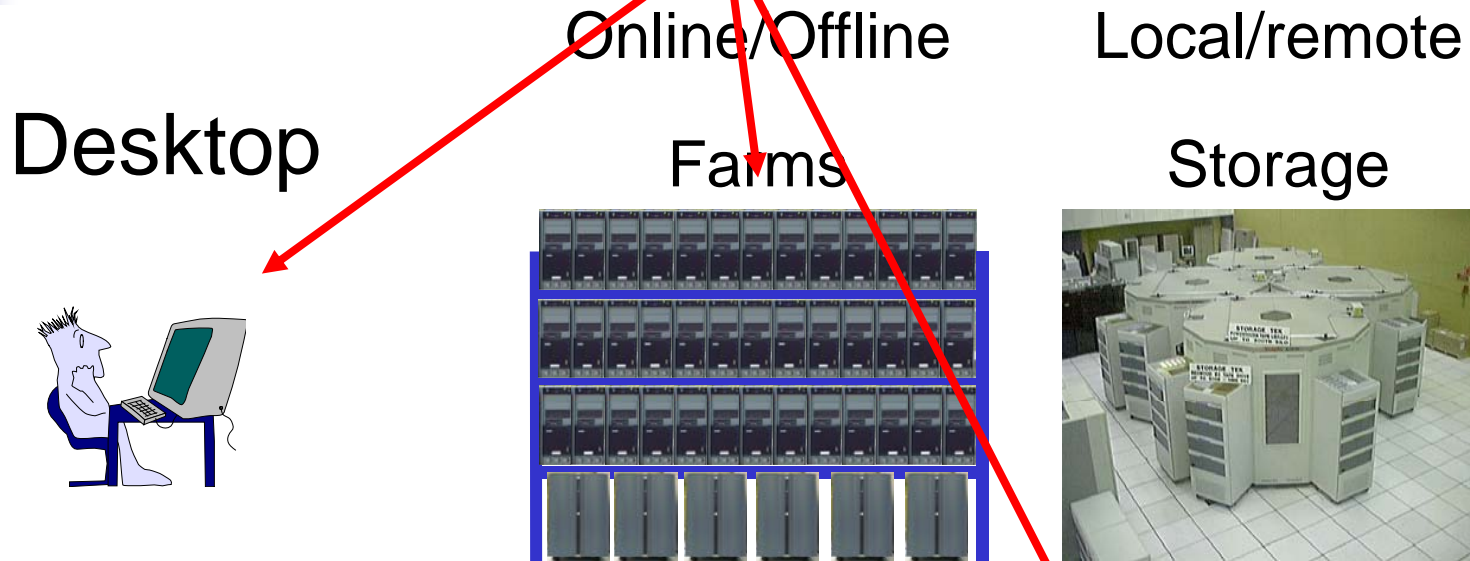
TFile *f5 = TFile::Open("chirp://hep.wisc.edu/data1.root")

TFile *f5 = TFile::Open("http://root.cern.ch/geom/atlas.root")
```

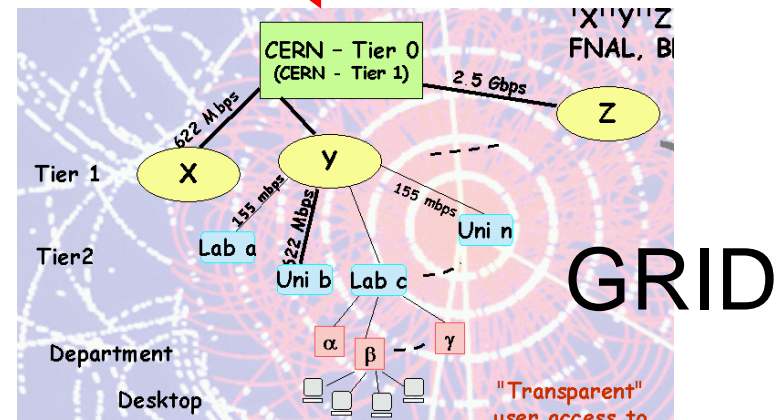


From the desktop to the GRID

Parallelism at all levels

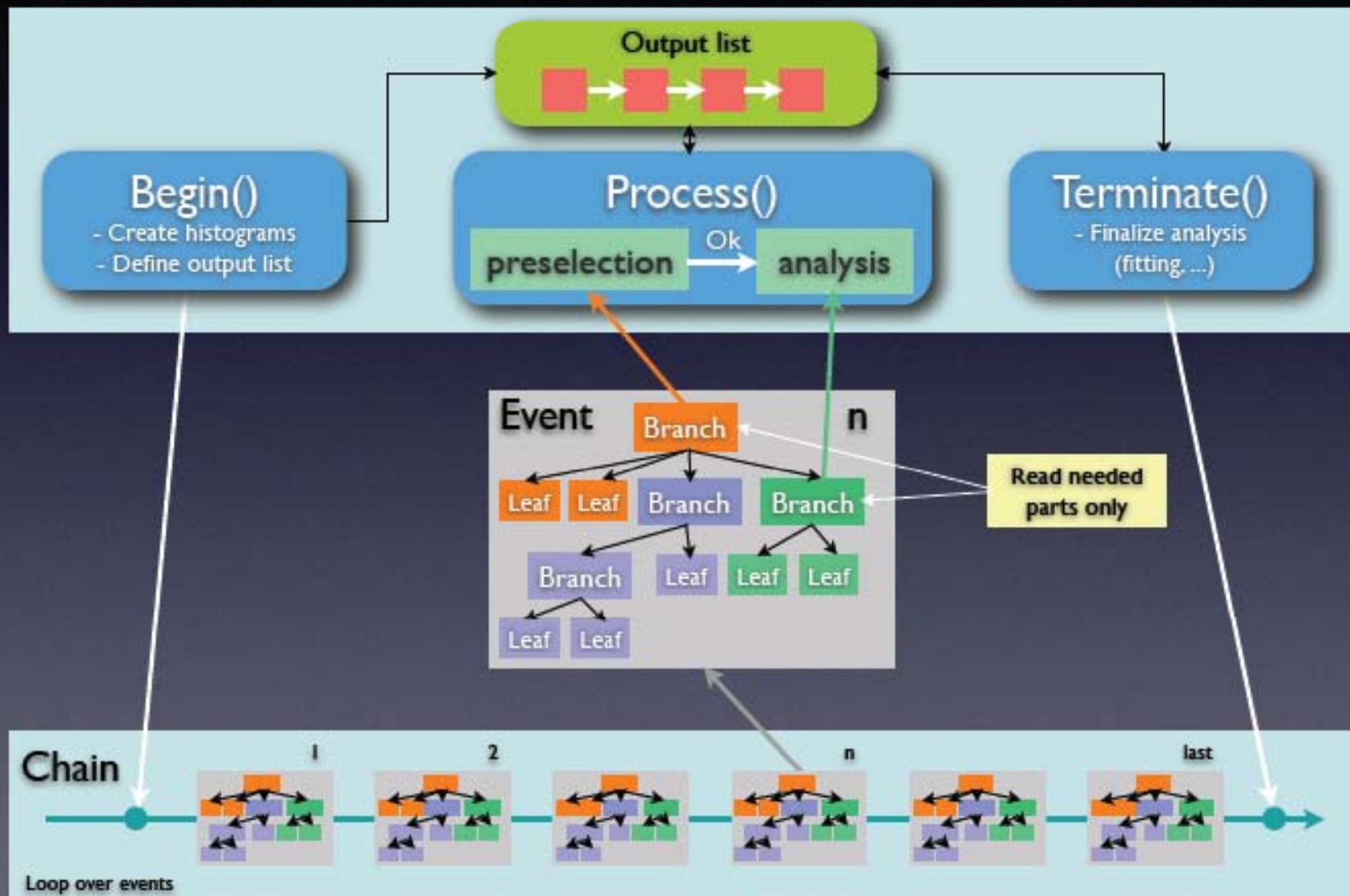


Data analysis tools must be able to exploit parallelism on the laptop, use remote CPUS in parallel, and storage elements and networks in a transparent way



The ROOT Data Model

Trees & Selectors

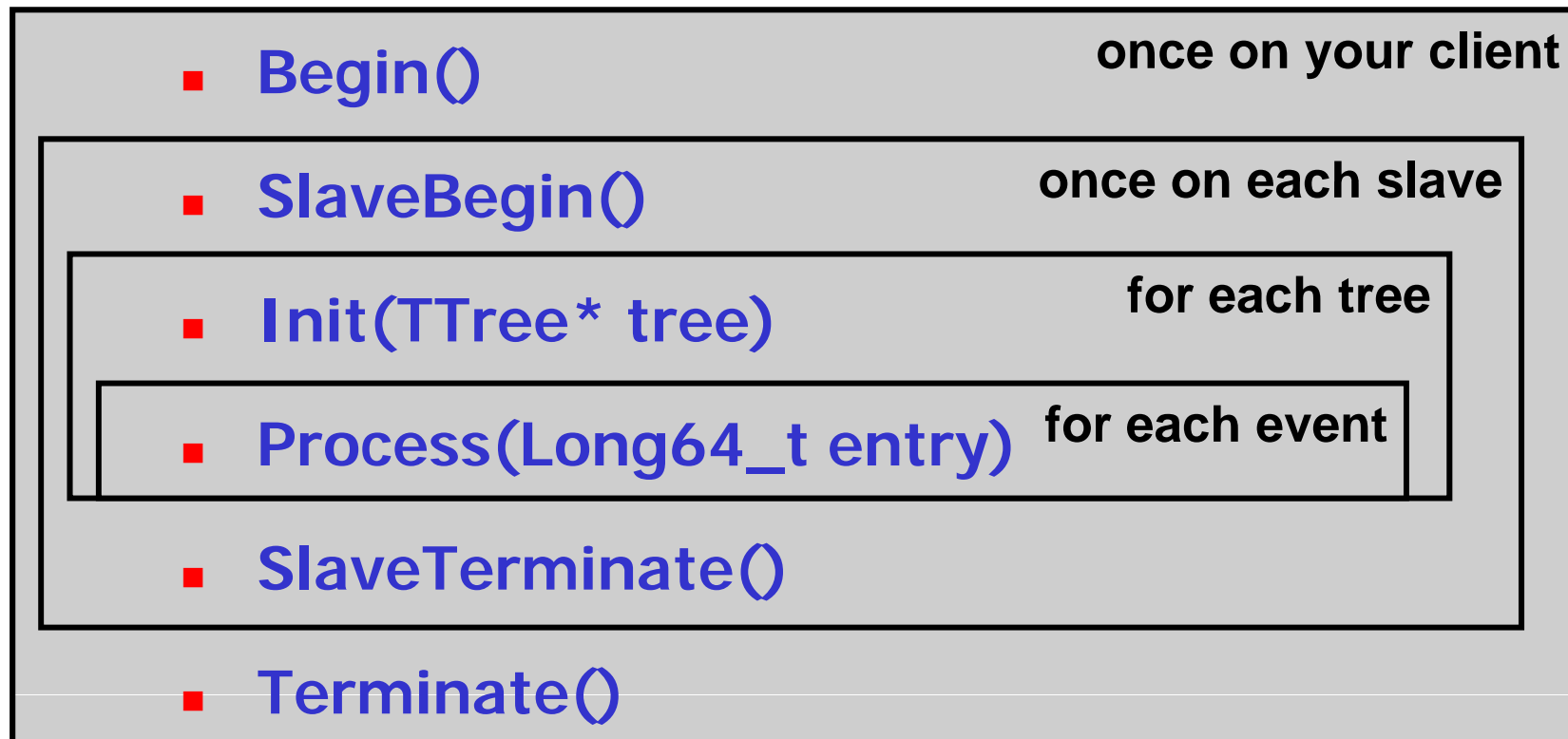




TSelector: Our recommended analysis skeleton

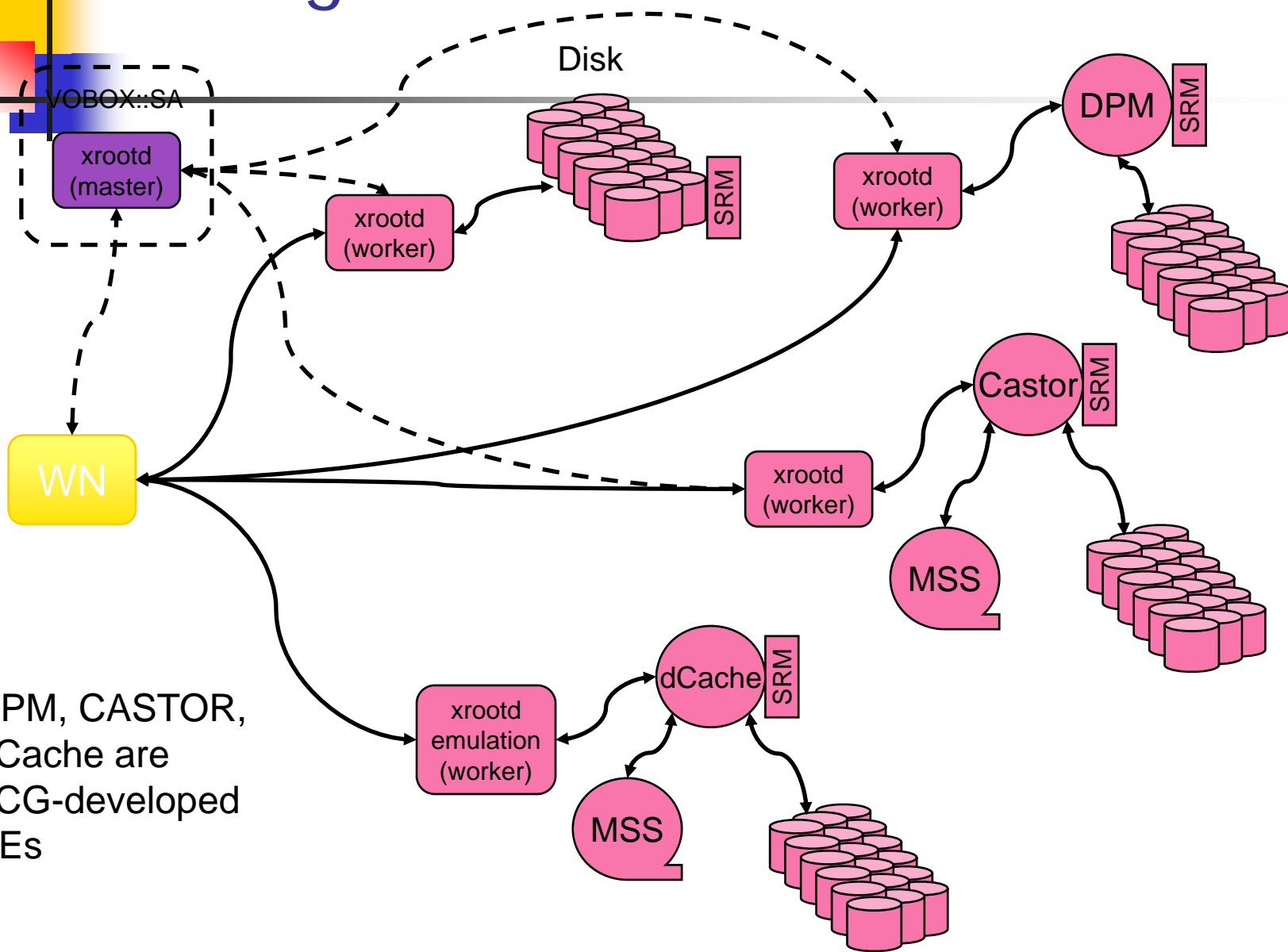


- Classes derived from TSelector can run locally and in PROOF





Storage element



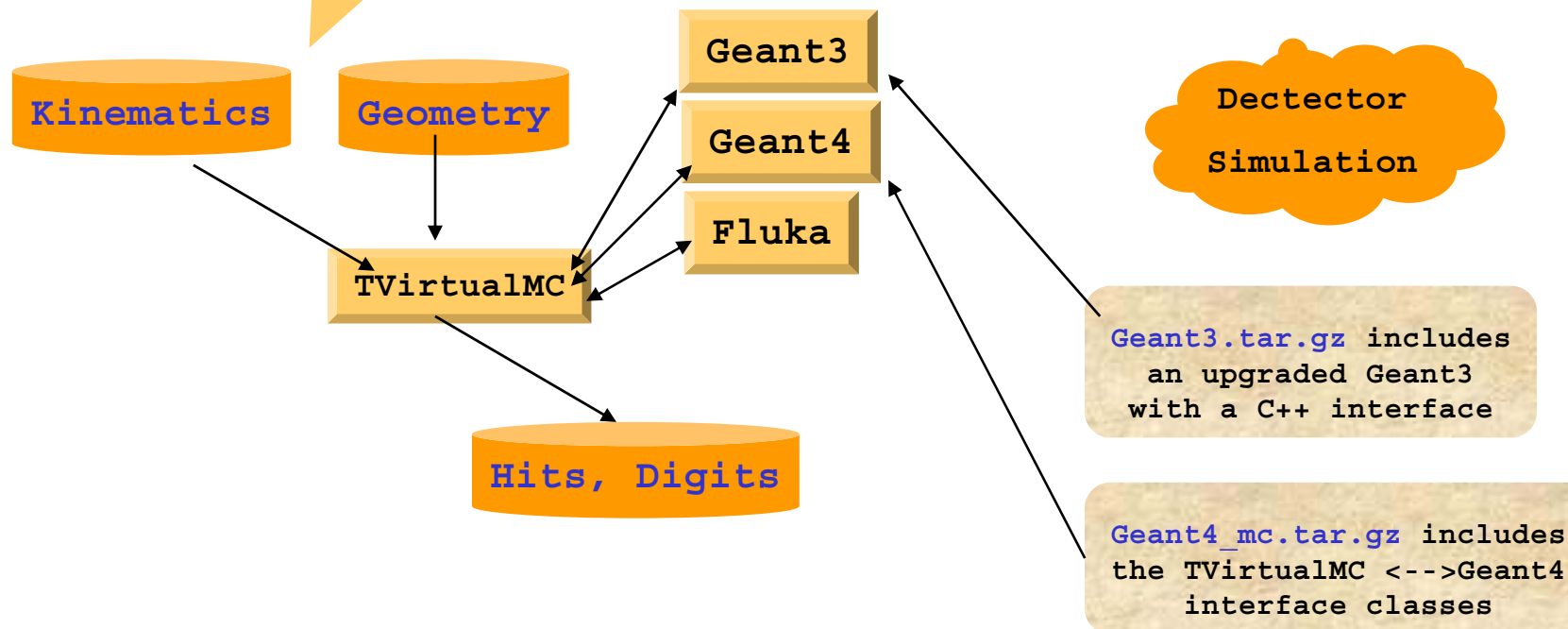
DPM, CASTOR,
dCache are
LCG-developed
SEs



Virtual Monte Carlo

This strategy facilitates migration or comparisons with a common input and a common output

ROOT can provide a solid base for: geometry, visualisation, interactivity, interpreter and persistency





Current developments



CINT Interpreter

- replace important components by **LLVM**, a Just In Time compiler (**JIT**)
- **LLVM** is gcc compliant compiler (Open source project, sponsor Apple)
- the interpreter is the compiler
- this will introduce a more robust C++ parser (**C++0x** compliant)
- **JIT** will provide an excellent replacement for the internals of TFormula,
- TTreeFormula (code generated and compiled in a few milliseconds)



PROOF, xrootd



- PROOF
 - -in production in Alice
 - -under evaluation by groups in Atlas, CMS
 - -close cooperation with the xrootd developers
 - -prototyping multi-core, SDD, HDD, zfs/Lustre, xrootd
- PROOF-LITE
 - -mini version of PROOF designed for multi-core laptops
 - -will become default-ROOT (automatic parallelism)
- XROOTD
 - -important developments, robustness
 - -caching and proxies wor LAN and WAN files



Fitting, Stats



- **ROOFIT**
 - -many developments by Wouter Verkerke (now Atlas)

- **ROOSTATS**
 - -common project Atlas, CMS, etc for a statistics library
 - -in very active development
 - -based on ROOFIT



We recommend

- Make your event model as simple as possible
- do not over-use the system (eg Atlas, CMS produce Trees with >6000 branches!)
- do not make derivations of the main ROOT objects like [TH1](#), [TTree](#). You must be able to browse your files with standard ROOT and without your classes.
- use [TSelector](#) as analysis model and not your own event loop
- think parallelism

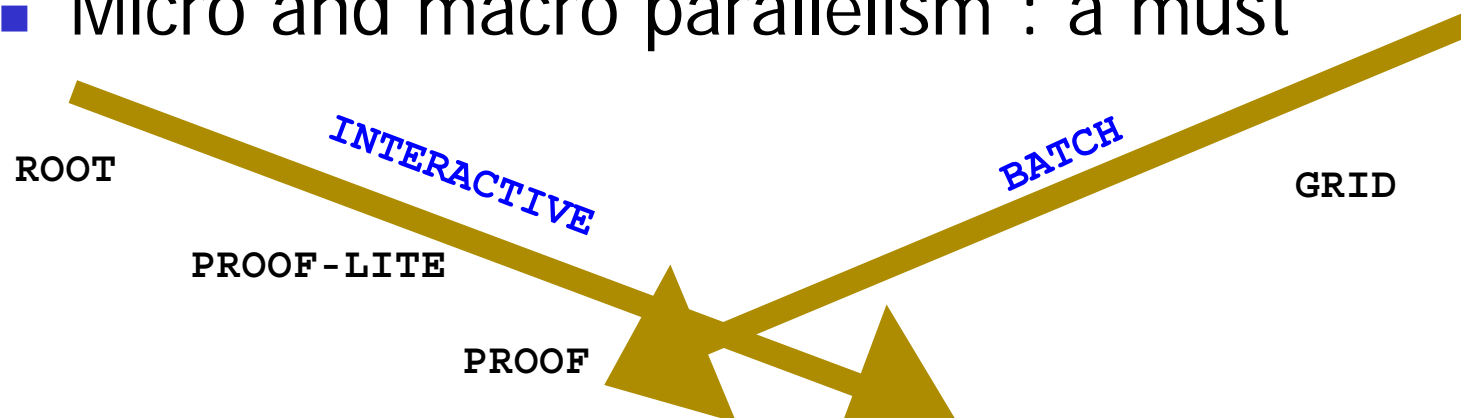
```
for(int event=0;event<nevents;event++) {  
    T->GetEvent(event);  
    //do some analysis  
}
```

```
T.Process(mySelector)
```



ROOT : Stability, Robustness

- Substantial manpower effort
 - 10 FTE at **CERN** + 1.5 at **FNAL**
- Support in place for the LHC era
- Still many developments
 - I/O robustness for LHC is vital
 - I/O performance improvements
- Micro and macro parallelism : a must





Doc + web site

- New ROOT web site will be introduced end of February
- (see snapshot at <http://root.cern.ch/drupal>)
- Better introduction for beginners
- Better tutorials
- Better look & feel

