

Preservation Models

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Different Data Format: Different Levels of Analysis

- The possible uses of the preserved data will depend on the level (complexity) of the data format preserved
 - From RAW to DST to four-vectors: different levels of analysis will be possible
 - Not necessarily the same for all experiments
- Perhaps we should define what can be expected from each of the levels

Preservation Models Charter

- ee,ep,pp input
 - Identify common elements
 - Explore how simple a common data format can be while still retaining the ability to do high quality physics
 - Develop common data format(s)
 - Explore means of facilitating and improving joint analyses

Preservation Models Charter

- **Priorities**
 - Evaluate potential impact on ongoing analysis effort
- **Costs**
 - What costs are expected if implemented
- **Benefits**
 - Evaluate short and long-term benefits

Preservation Models Charter

- link to technologies
 - How will the preservation models benefit from advancements in technology
 - What known faults of technology must the preservation models be protected against
 - Make suggestions for hardware and software technologies that should be pursued

General Summary from the 1st DPLTA Workshop

- A Common Data Format/Common Data Definition
 - define for ee, ep and pp experiments and do a test case
- Profiting from advancements in the ROOT project
 - preserving knowledge of the structure of the data
 - PROOF
- Guidance in the early stages of experiments
 - documentation
 - keeping data format simple
- Storage media recommendations
 - what seems obvious (disk) may not be the best

Continued ...

- More and Improved Documentation
 - inforce correct documentation
 - verify that its sufficient
- Techniques like Virtualization that will allow us to preserve simulation and other essential tools needed for doing analyses + define input/output format for simulation
- A guide on review and approval of papers after the end of the collaboration
- Policy on forgotten data

Hopes for this Workshop

- A well-defined set of goals
- A well-defined schedule for completion and meetings
- Author's identified
- Much work accomplished at the workshop