
LCG Generator Services project

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MC4LHC readiness

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The Large Hadron Collider (LHC), currently being built at CERN near Geneva, is the largest scientific instrument on the planet. When it begins operations in 2007, it will produce roughly 15 Petabytes (15 million Gigabytes) of data annually, which thousands of scientists around the world will access and analyse.

The mission of the LHC Computing Project (LCG) is to build and maintain a data storage and analysis infrastructure for the entire high energy physics community that will use the LHC.

▶ Project Overview



Worldwide LHC Computing Grid

Distributed Production Environment for Physics data Processing

Activities

- ▶ Distributed Analysis (ARDA)
- ▶ Grid Deployment
- ▶ Security
- ▶ Service Challenges
- ▶ Physics Application Software
- ▶ LCG Optical Private Network

- ▶ **Technical Design Report (TDR)**
- ▶ **Status of WLCG** (presentation at IEEE NSS Conference 06)

LCG Users

- New Users**
 - User Registration
- Registered Users**
 - User Support
 - Experiments Integration Support

LCG Sites

- Getting Started
- Software Releases
- Site Guides and FAQ
- Site Security

LCG Operations

- Monitoring
- Core Infrastructure Center
- Security Incidents

LCG Bulletin  

LCG Application Area Simulation Project

LCG Project - Applications Area

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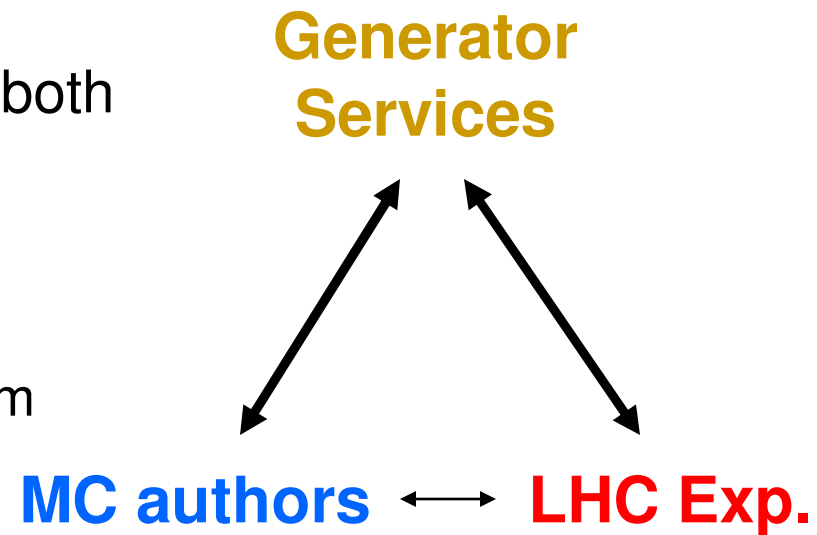
Simulation Project

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LCG Generator Services

<http://lcgapp.cern.ch/project/simu/generator/>

- mandate of the project:
 - "...to prepare validated LCG compliant (generators) code for both the theoretical and experimental communities at the LHC..."
- to avoid duplication of work
 - to build libraries for required platform
- to share experience between experiments
- to use common generators (tunings?)
- to offload authors from the 'basic support' duties



Project work packages

- generator libraries repository [[GENSER](#)]
- testing and validation of generators [[VALIDATION](#)]
- event record [[HEPMC](#)]
 - maintained by Lynn Garren (FERMILAB)
- event database [[MCDB](#)]

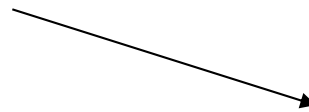
GENSER

- centralized installation of all the MC generators used by LHC experiments on all the LCG supported platforms
- common structure for all the generators
- ready to use libraries
- tarfiles with binaries
- tarfiles with sources

Repository structure (1 / 3)

`/afs/cern.ch/sw/lcg/external/MCGenerators`

LCG tar files with sources and binaries



`/pythia6`
`/pythia8`
`/herwig`
`/herwig++`
`/jimmy`
`.....`
`/distribution/..`

- **For each generator:**

`pythia8/130`
`/135`
`.....`

Repository structure (2/3)

- For each version:

```
135/share  
  /x86_64-slc5-gcc43-opt  
  /slc4_amd64_gcc34  
  ...
```

- For each platform:

```
slc4_amd64_gcc34/compile.log  
  /config.mk  
  /include/  
  /lib/libpythia8.so  
  /lib/archive/libpythia8.a
```

Repository structure (3/3)

- tarfiles:

```
/afs/cern.ch/sw/lcg/external/MCGenerators/distribution/
```

```
opt.tgz
```

```
pythia8-135-src.tgz
```

```
pythia8-135-x86_64-slc5-gcc43-
```

```
pythia8-135-slc4_amd64_gcc34.tgz
```

```
pythia8-135-slc4_ia32_gcc34.tgz
```

Using GENSER

- to use libraries from AFS
 - link to `/afs/cern.ch/sw/lcg/external/MCGenerators/...`
- to use binary tarfiles
 - download, unpack and link
- to use source tarfiles
 - `tar zxvf pythia6-413-src.tgz`
 - `cd pythia6/413`
 - `./configure --help`
 - `./configure --your-options`
 - `make`
 - libraries go to `pythia6/413/lib/`

Using GENSER - Bootstrap

- a set of tools to install GENSER generators following the same directory structure as on /afs/cern.ch
 - can be used to create 'mirrors' of GENSER
 - can be used to install individual generators in 'GENSER-like' way
 - allows to have a common structure that other tools (HepMC Analysis, Rivet, MCTester) can rely on

Available generators (1 / 2)

Overview of available MC event generators

| | deprecated | supported | not validated yet | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|-----|
| alpgen | 2.1.3d.2 | 2.1.3d | 2.1.3b | 2.1.3 | 2.1.2 | 2.1.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| baurmc | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| cascade | 2.0.1 | 1.2.10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| charybdis | 1.003hp | 1.003h | 1.003 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| evtgenlhc | 9.1 | 8.16 | 8.15.1 | 8.15 | 8.14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| herwig | 6.510 | 6.510.2 | 6.510.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| herwigpp | 2.4.2 | 2.4.1 | 2.4.0 | 2.3.2 | 2.3.1 | 2.3.0 | 2.2.1 | 2.2.0 | 2.1.4 | 2.1.2 | 2.1.1 | 2.1.0 | 2.0.3 | 2.0.2 | 2.0.1 | | | | | | | | |
| hijing | 1.383bs.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| hydjet | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| isajet | 7.75 | 7.75.2 | 7.69 | 7.69.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| jimmy | 4.31 | 4.31.2 | 4.31.3 | 4.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| lhpdf | 5.8.2 | 5.8.1 | 5.8.0 | 5.7.1 | 5.7.0 | 5.6.0 | 5.5.1.a | 5.5.1 | 5.4.1 | 5.4.0 | 5.3.1 | 5.3.0 | 5.2.3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| mcatnlo | 3.41 | 3.4 | 3.31 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| nlojet++ | 4.1.2 | 4.0.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| phojet | 1.10 | 1.10.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| photos | 215 | 215.2 | 215.3 | 215.4 | 215.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| pomwig | 2.0 | 2.0.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| powheg | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| pyquen | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| pythia6 | 422 | 422.2 | 421 | 421.2 | 420 | 420.2 | 419.ac | 419.ac.2 | 419 | 419.2 | 418 | 418.2 | 416 | 416.2 | 415.2 | 414.2 | 413.2 | 412 | 412.2 | 411 | 411.2 | 411.3 | 410 |
| pythia8 | 135 | 130 | 125 | 120 | 108 | 107.1 | 107 | 105 | 100 | 095.1 | 095 | 090 | 080 | 070 | 060 | | | | | | | | |
| sherpa | 1.2.0.2p | 1.2.0.2 | 1.2.0 | 1.1.3.2p | 1.1.3.2 | 1.1.3 | 1.1.2.2p | 1.1.2.2 | 1.1.2 | 1.1.1 | 1.1.0 | 1.0.11p | 1.0.10 | 1.0.9 | 1.0.8 | | | | | | | | |
| stagen | 1.11 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| tauola | 28.121 | 28.121.2 | 27.121 | 27.121.2 | 27.121.3 | 27.121.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| thepeg | 1.6.1 | 1.6.0 | 1.5.0 | 1.4.2 | 1.4.1 | 1.4.0 | 1.3.0 | 1.2.0 | 1.1.2 | 1.1.1 | 1.1.0 | 1.0.1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| toprex | 4.23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| winhac | 1.31 | 1.24 | 1.23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

generator homepage

some (minimal) info about the build (dependencies, etc)

Available generators (2/2)

- over 25 different generators available
 - FORTRAN and the new C++ generators
- new versions installed with minimal delay
- binaries provided for several platforms
 - Linux (all)
 - MacOSX (most)
 - Windows (some)
- new generators added on experiments' request

Testing and validation

- experiments used to independently test and validate each new version of the generator
 - clear duplication of work
- GENSER testing and validation
 - testing of generators on different platforms
 - comparing different (new) versions of each generator
 - physics validation (comparing to data)

GENSER testing

- simple tests
 - 'single number' output, observable (charged multiplicity, etc)
- histogramming tests (to be replaced by HepMC Analysis Tool)
 - distribution output (pT, etc)
 - needs to be linked with ROOT
- physics validation
 - Rivet validation

GENSER simple tests (1/2)

GENSER validation

- [Pythia6](#) : *b \bar{b} production tests*, *(1/ σ) d σ ($p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^\pm + \geq 0$ jets) / $dp_T(W)$ vs. $D\emptyset$ Run I data*
- [Pythia8](#)
- [Herwig](#)
- [Herwig++](#)
- [Pyquen](#)
- [Hydjet](#)
- [Alpgen](#)
- [EvtGenLHC](#)
- [LHAPDF](#)
- [Photos](#)
- [Sherpa](#)
- [Tauola](#)
- [TopRex](#)
- [Jimmy](#)

[pythia_test1](#)

- 1: Z + jets total cross section [mb] at LHC
- 2: Fraction of events with >1 charged leptons plus >1 jets

[pythia_hepmc](#)

- 3: Total cross section [mb] of jets + Z/gamma* at LHC
- 4: Fraction of events with >=2 charged leptons and >=2 jets

[pythia_lhapdf](#)

5-26: A total cross section [mb] of a single W production at LHC with various PDF sets used via LHAPDF library

- at least one simple test per generator
- automatic checking between different versions of generators and platforms

GENSER simple tests (2/2)

Notation:

Y , dY -- value of an observable and its stat. error

Y_{ref} , dY_{ref} -- reference value of an observable and its stat. error

Pull -- $(Y - Y_{ref}) / (dY^2 + dY_{ref}^2)^{1/2}$

ok -- tests are successfully compiled and executed with *pull* < 3 for all versions

badstat -- as above, but statistics is insufficient: $Y_{ref} < 5dY_{ref}$ or $Y < 4dY$

deviation -- at least one *pull* > 3

failed -- test crashed at least for one version

errors -- test failed to compile at least for one version

slc4_ia32_gcc34

| Version: | 135 | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|--------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----|
| Test | Y | dY | pull | Y_{ref} | dY_{ref} | Status | |
| pythia8_test1 | 1 | 2.101970E-06 | 6.647000E-08 | -0.019077 | 2.1033e-06 | 2.1033e-08 | ok |
| pythia8_test1 | 2 | 5.800000E-02 | 7.615770E-03 | 0.767372 | 0.0519 | 0.00227816 | ok |
| pythia8_test1 | 3 | 1.000010E+00 | 1.000000E-04 | 0.099504 | 1. | 0.00001 | ok |
| pythia8_test1 | 4 | 1.000030E-02 | 5.000000E-06 | 0.059988 | 0.01 | 0.0000001 | ok |
| pythia8_test1 | 5 | 3.614130E+02 | 1.108270E+01 | -0.437758 | 366.514 | 3.59942 | ok |
| pythia8_test1 | 6 | 1.726120E+02 | 5.333450E+00 | -0.444315 | 175.102 | 1.72066 | ok |
| pythia8_test2 | 1 | 2.101970E-06 | 6.647000E-08 | -0.018933 | 2.10329e-06 | 2.10329e-08 | ok |
| pythia8_test2 | 2 | 6.600000E-02 | 8.124040E-03 | -0.712926 | 0.0721 | 0.00268514 | ok |
| pythia8_test3 | 1 | 1.916220E+02 | 5.570380E+00 | 0.210494 | 190.394 | 1.73354 | ok |

slc4_amd64_gcc34

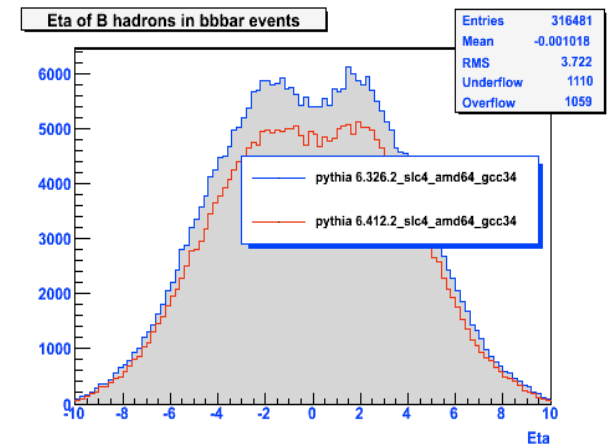
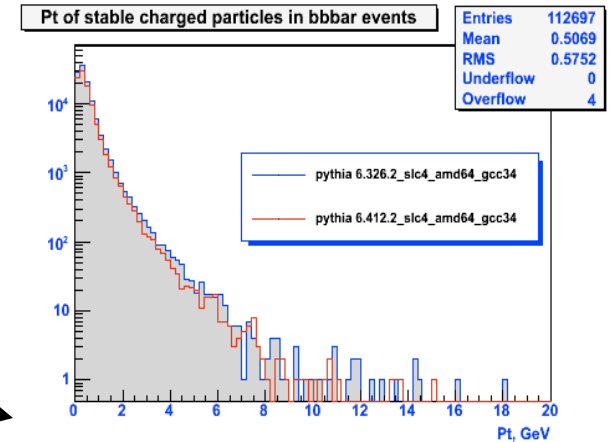
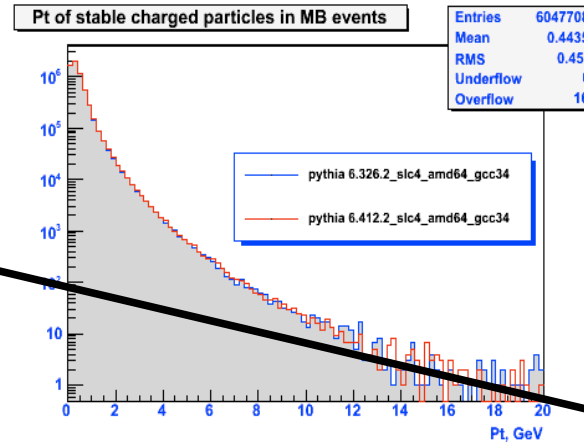
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GENSER distribution tests

Pythia6, $b\bar{b}$ production

1. slc3_ia32_gcc323
2. slc4_amd64_gcc34
3. slc4_ia32_gcc34

| | 412.2 | | | 411.2 | | | 410.2 | | | 409.2 | | | 326.2 | | | 227.2 | | |
|-------|-------|---|---|-------|---|---|-------|---|---|-------|---|---|-------|---|---|-------|---|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 412.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 411.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 410.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 409.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 326.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 227.2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



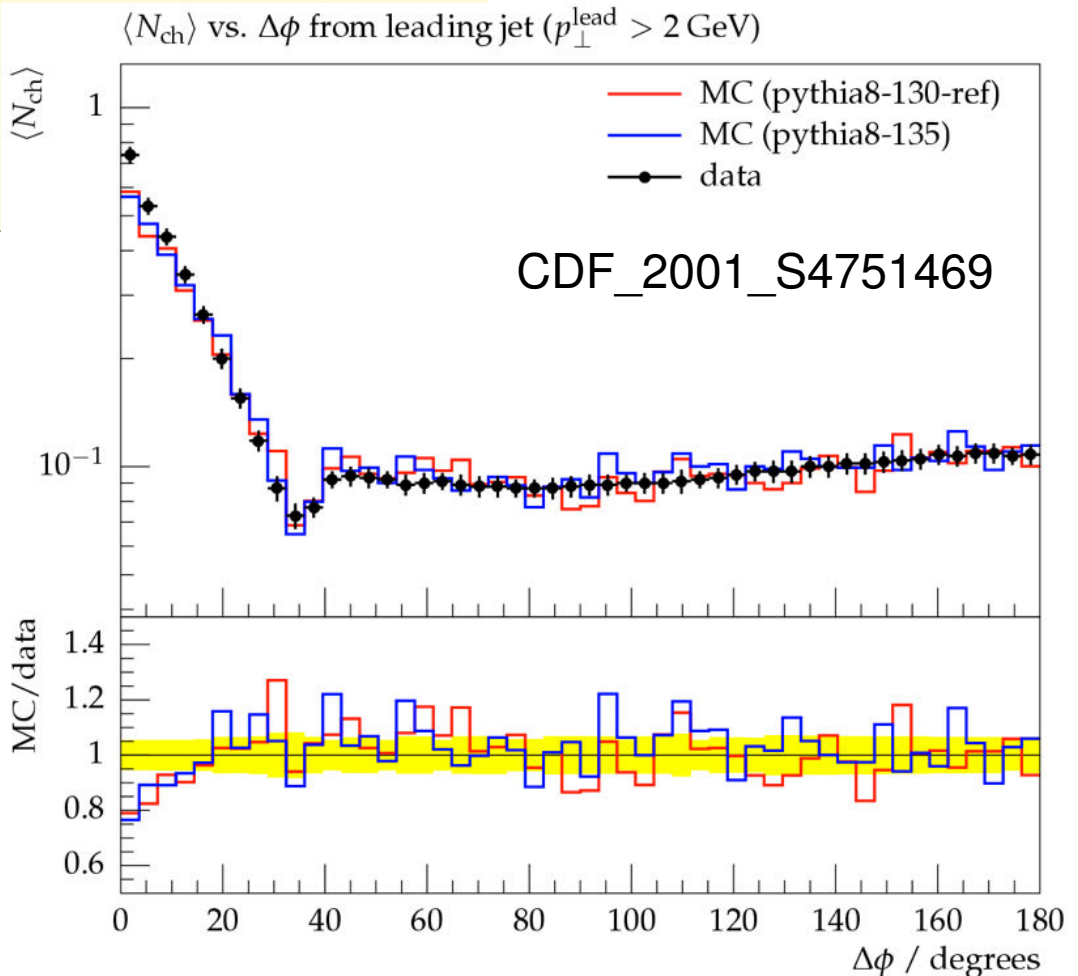
• NEEDS PORTING TO NEW GENERATORS
• SHOULD PROBABLY BE PORTED TO HEPMC ANALYSIS TOOL

GENSER validation using Rivet

Validation with Rivet

- herwig: [6.510](#)
- pythia6: [422](#) [420](#) [418](#) [415](#) [413](#) [412](#) [411](#)
- pythia8: [135](#) [130](#) [125](#) [120](#) [108](#)
- herwig++: [2.4.2](#) [2.4.1](#) [2.4.0](#) [2.3.2](#)

- just starting to use Rivet in GENSER
- plan to have a collection of physics validation tests to be run on different generators
- especially LHC data



HepMC Analysis Tool validation (1/2)

- we certainly want to profit from the DESY group work and integrate it into GENSER tests
 - infrastructure for automatic running/comparison
- so far: web page on the GENSER site created and Albert is filling it out

HepMC Analysis Tool validation (2/2)

HepMC Analysis Tool Validation

Generator Services

PYTHIA6: [Di-Jets Top Tau Z W+Jet](#) (6.422.2 ok)*
 PYTHIA8: [Di-Jets Top Tau Z W+Jet](#) (8.105 ok)
 HERWIG6: [Di-Jets Top Tau Z W+Jet](#) (6.510 ok)
 HERWIG++: [Di-Jets Top Tau Z W+Jet](#) (2.4.2 ok)
 CASCADE: [Di-Jets](#) (2.0.2 ok)

Latest generator version (above in parantheses) is validated against [gif](#) [png](#) [eps](#) [tiff](#)

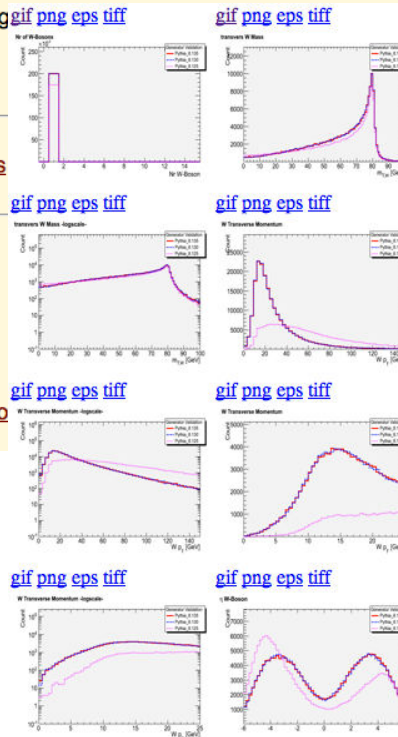
*Something needs to be clarified/cross-checked

Shape comparison between the above generators: [Di-Jets](#)

[Todo-list \(suggestions welcome\)](#)

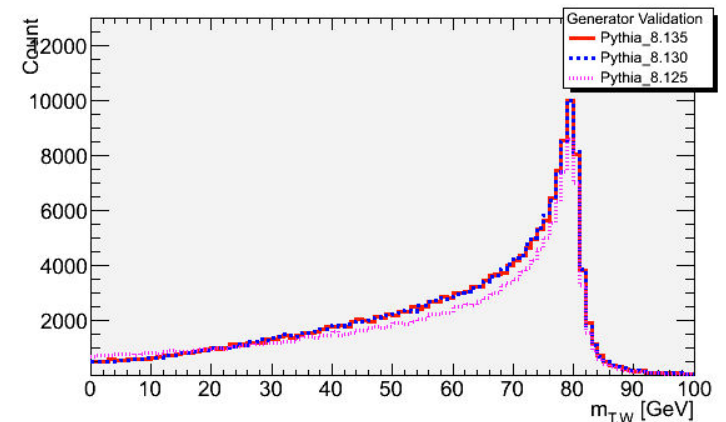
Contact: albert.knutsson@nospam.desy.de

Home of the HepMCAnalysisTool: <http://hepmcanalysistool>



For these plots the following setup was used:
[configuration](#) of the process (analysis kind, steering file, etc.)
[steering](#) of the generating process
[source code](#) of the analysis

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HepMC (1 / 2)

HepMC a C++ Event Record for Monte Carlo Generators

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 - [HepMC 2.03 Reference Manual: postscript, pdf, or doxygen](#)

Introduction

The best way to get a fast overview of the HepMC event record is to browse the first 3 pages of the user manual (linked above). The abstract is reproduced here:

The HepMC package is an object oriented event record written in C++ for High Energy Physics Monte Carlo Generators. Many extensions from HEPEVT, the Fortran HEP standard, are supported: the number of entries is unlimited, spin density matrices can be stored with each vertex, flow patterns (such as color) can be stored and traced, integers representing random number generator states can be stored, and an arbitrary number of event weights can be included. Particles and vertices are kept separate in a graph structure, physically similar to a physics event. The added information supports the modularisation of event generators. The package has been kept as simple as possible with minimal internal/external dependencies. Event information is accessed by means of iterators supplied with the package.

Reference: M. Dobbs and J.B. Hansen, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* 134 (2001) 41.

HepMC (2/2)

- de facto standard for HEP events
- Lynn Garren maintaining the code
- changes and new features discussed within the community
 - two HepMC planning meetings per year
 - one major release per year (unless the second one is strictly necessary)
 - bugfixes released as soon as possible
 - currently preparing HepMC 2.06

MCDB (1/2)

MCDB - MonteCarlo Database

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Author(s): *Silvano Tosi* published: 2nd Feb 2010, 15:33 | ID: 851 ..

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Author(s): *roberto chierici* published: 2nd Feb 2010, 15:12 | ID: 850 ..

()

Events generated by for the process: -> () and Beam Energy:
Author(s): *Thiago Tomei* published: 2nd Feb 2010, 14:54 | ID: 849 ..

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Author(s): *roberto chierici* published: 2nd Feb 2010, 13:55 | ID: 848 ..

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MADGRAPH/MADEVENT tt~ ; tt~j ; tt~jj ; tt~jjj (t -> b ANYTHING (e+mu+ta+ud+cs);...

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MCDB in Production, lessons of last year (2/2)

- Current content and contributors:
 - 8966 event samples with parton level MC (1.65 TB)
 - 586 articles (384 publicly available)
 - 60 authors
- Stable interfaces:
 - WEB interface (authors and users)
 - Automatic uploading and documenting of new LHEF files (MadGraph and HepML headers are supported)
 - Automatic access to the content of MCDB (C++)
- Automatic interfaces are implemented in CMSSW and used for CMS production (MCDB is accessible from LHEInterface in CMSSW)

New stable release of HepML

arXiv:1001.2576

- HepML is the unified XML based description of parton level MC model (is used in the header of LHEF file or as a standalone XML block)
 - XML schemes
 - C++ library to write/read/modify HepML blocks
- New stable version of libhepml is released
 - HepML documents creating, parsing and mixing; support for standard Xerces and Expat XML libraries; autotools support
 - Can be easily added to ME or SH MC generator to describe the events (TH model parameters, generator parameters, cuts, etc.)
 - Already used in CompHEP, MCDB, CMSSW

Available at <http://mcdb.cern.ch/distribution> and
<http://svnweb.cern.ch/guest/lcghepml/tags/0.2.6/>

Generator Services plans

- involvement in the joint tuning exercise
 - repository of tuning tools
 - repository/web resources with different tunes documented, validated, compared, etc
 - tuning/validation of generators using publicly available data
- repository of NLO tools
- contribution to LHC data 'publication'
 - common format (?)
 - feeding into HEPDATA (?)

Conclusions

- Generator Services proves to play a useful role for the LHC experiments
 - generators repository
 - testing
 - event record
 - MC event database
- Generator Services future plan is to contribute more to the physics validation and tuning of the generators