RooFit development plans for 2010

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Maintenance work on code

Extension of to stressRooFit

- Systematic regression test for persistence of all classes
- Add tests to exercise recently added functionality

(Recent Coverage results very useful, but no big surprises w.r.t.my expectations)

Bug fixing

(Still waiting for Coverity results with RooFit enabled)

Performance improvements

 Callgrinding of stressRooFit and RooStats applications to identify performance bottlenecks (Last time as ~2 years ago, useful to repeat now that many new features were added for RooStats)

New Features

Datasets

- Major (invasive) restructuring happened in 2009: now have separation of data representation (binned, unbinned etc) and storage implementation
- (A) Add new data class representing 'event count data' (empty dataset simply consisting of an event count. Easy to do, but will facilitate major simplifications of concepts, particularly in RooStats code
- (B) Add new data storage class that is not TTree based
- (C) Add classes that represent (filtered) subset of other datasets (link to original data, no data is copied)

Integration

 (D) Extend integration interface to accept Boolean function B(x_vec) in terms of observables that specifies integration region

Observables

- (E) Add class RooInteger. Can be conceptual extension of Roo(Abs)Category with automatic construction of labels
- (F) Add plotting interface for RooCategory/RooInteger

Task automation

 (G) Finish classes RooStudyManager and RooFitGenManager to be completely functional replacement of class RooMCStudy

None of the above projects are particularly complicated (~3-5 days of work) and the're mostly independent of each other. I plan to do (A),(D) and (G) first, as these are most useful to RooStats The complete list is likely to be done by the end of the year

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