# ROOT Course Part II

ROOT - An Object-Oriented Data Analysis Framework



"The basic concepts behind an <u>Object-Oriented</u> framework"

# Gerco's view on Object-Oriented Framework

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## Well, this might be true...

but what does it really mean?

## **Procedural** Oriented Programming



## Procedural Oriented Programming

Although widely used and, from a computer perspective, very efficient, it is limited since...

...unreadable for large complex codes
 ...difficult to manage
 ...far from the "real world"

## User and Programmer Unfriendly!

## **Object** Oriented Programming



**Modularity and Information Hiding** 

## An example Object



An abstract model of histogram object... variables = data methods = operations (interface)

#### ... a histogram



## An example Object



## An abstract model of histogram object...



# Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

= collection of Methods and Variables as new data type= prototype for an object!



# A CLASS example

#### A Histogram data type :

class TH1		
		= new Data Type
Public:		Public Methods
	TH1()	Creator of object
	~TH1()	Destructor of object
	void Fill( <i>arguments</i> )	
	void Draw(arguments)	b. bate of a set D d athe set al.
	void Print()	
	Double_t Integral(arguments)	Member functions
Protected:		Hidden Variables/
	Int_t fNCells	Data members
	Float_t fArray[]	
	TAxis fXaxis	
	TAxis fYaxis	

## Data Types and Conventions

- •Classes begin with T:
- •Non-class types begin with <u>t</u>:
- •Data members begin with f :
- •Constants begin with k :
- •Global variables begin with g : gEnv, gROOT ... for the rest see Manual

#### TH1, TAxis, TBrowser

- Int\_t, Double\_t, ... fNcells, fArray, ... kInitialSize, kRed, ...

#### Machine Independent Types:

Char_t	Character 1 byte	CHARACTER*
Short_t	Short Integer 2 bytes	INTEGER*2
Int_t	Integer 4 bytes	INTEGER*4
Float_t	Float 4 bytes	REAL*4
Double_t	Float 8 bytes	REAL*8
Bool t	Boolean (0=false, 1=true)	LOGICAL

#### NOTE: c++/root is case sensitive !!!

## Our CLASS example

#### A Histogram data type:



#### Even more CLASS features: Inheritance



### Why Inheritance?

For the programmer ...

Re-use of existing code
 Gives a better insight in the code

For the user ...

 Provides a <u>good overview</u> of the software
 Provides a <u>common standard</u> on how to operate a variety of different objects

-> USER FRIENDLY!

#### <u>Inheritance</u> in C++/ROOT

class TH1 : public TH1

Public:

TH1F() ~TH1F() void Fill(...) Double\_t Integral(...)

Protected: Int\_t fNCells

. . .

Float\_t fArray[]

class TH1

#### Public:

TH1() ~TH1() virtual void Fill(...) virtual void Draw(...) virtual void Print()

Protected:

. . .

Public and protected member functions and data of <u>TH1</u> become member functions and data for <u>TH1F</u> unless overwritten



## So what is now an object?

### An <u>object</u> is the <u>instance</u> of a <u>class</u>



# Creating a 1-D histogram object

1) Static method

TH1F myHisto(*arguments*)

Similar to :

INTEGER\*2 I,J,K (Fortran) float array[10] (C)

Creates the static object myHisto of type TH1F

Static: cannot be removed on-the-fly, done by the program

# Creating a 1-D histogram object

2) Dynamic method

TH1F \*myHistoPtr ; myHistoPtr = **new** TH1F(*arguments*)

Ine 1: declares myHistoPtr as a pointer (=memory address) of type TH1F

Ine 2: creates the object and returns its memory address

Dynamic: can be created/removed on-the-fly, done by YOU:

delete myHistoPtr







## Pointers and all that...

**Combined on one line :** 

TH1F \*myHistoPtr = **new** TH1F(*arguments*)

But also ... :

TH1F myHisto(...) ; TH1F \*myHistoPtr = &myHisto ;

**& = address operator** 

TH1F \*myHistoPtr = **new** TH1F(...); TH1F myHisto = \*myHistoPtr;

\* = dereference operator

# What are the arguments for creating an object?

class TH1F : public TH1

Public:

TH1F()

TH1F(char\* name, char\* title, Int\_t nbinsx, Axis\_t xlow, Axis\_t xup) TH1F(char\* name, char\* title, Int\_t nbinsx, Float\_t\* xbins) TH1F(char\* name, char\* title, Int\_t nbinsx, Double\_t\* xbins) ~TH1F()

Pick your favorite! => creator methods are often defined in several ways => function <u>overloading</u>

TH1F \*myHistoPtr = **new** TH1F(*"myHisto","My Title",100,0.,1.*)

## How to operate on an object? (lets say you like to fill the histogram)



1) Static object:





## How to operate on an object? (lets say you like to fill the histogram)



#### 2) Dynamic pointer object:

How to operate on an object? (lets say you like to fill the histogram)



3) Alternatives for the real freaks :

(&myHisto)->**Fill**(...) (\*myHistoPtr).**Fill**(...)

# Pointer to pointer... an example

class TH1 : ...

Public:

TAxis\* GetXaxis() .... =return (&fXaxis) Protected:

TAxis fXaxis

. . .



TH1F \*myHistoPtr = **new** TH1F(....)

myHistoPtr->GetXaxis()->SetTitle("x-axis")

= (TAxis \*)

# Good news for those who cannot deal with pointers...

In the ROOT C/C++ interpreter you can use a pointer (->) or a dot (.), whatever you like!

... but certainly advised to stick to the rules!!

What kind of classes are there and how to operate?

1) Read the f@&#cking manual

2) Look it up on WWW ...

# http://root.cern.ch



## A simple example code...

{			
TH1F*myHis = new TH1FTRandom*ranNumGen = newTCanvas*myCanvas = new T	("myHis","A Histogram Example",100,0.,1.); TRandom(); Canvas("myCanvas","This is a drawing table",1);		
myCanvas-> <b>SetFillColor</b> ( <i>kWhi</i> myCanvas-> <b>SetFrameFillColo</b>	ite); or( <i>kYellow</i> ); Create a few objects		
myHis-> <b>SetFillColor</b> ( <i>kBlue</i> ); myHis-> <b>SetLineColor</b> ( <i>kBlue</i> );	Set the colors of the drawing table (canvas)		
<pre>for (Int_t i=0; i&lt;100000; i++) {     myHis-&gt;Fill(ranNumGen-&gt;G     if ((i%200)==0)     {         myHis-&gt;Draw();         myCanvas-&gt;Refresh();     } </pre>	Set some colors of histogram aus(0.5,0.2));		
}	Fill the histogram with random numbers		
}	and update every 200 events		

# Lets try with the ROOT C/C++ interpreter...



## Exercises

- 1) Find out which method changes the markerstyle of a 1D histogram.
- 2) Create a 2D histogram and fill it with a gaussian distribution.
- 3) Create a canvas and put a text with your name in it. Specify which classes are used and which methods and print the results as a postscript file.
- 4) Find the longest chain of pointers possible using the TH1 as base class, I.e. object->a()->b()->c()...





