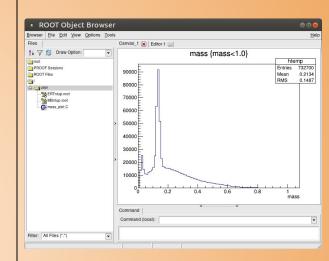
# Data & Analysis Preservation: status update

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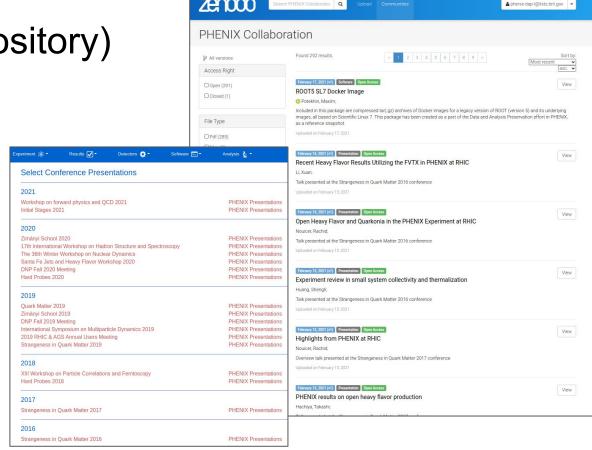
### Overview

- Please see slides from my previous presentation in January 2021 for a broad overview of Data and Analysis Preservation in PHENIX
- <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19ksQ05Y-pU3SuLxIciZsdydjgKJvHIh\_UbwtXiQctn4/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19ksQ05Y-pU3SuLxIciZsdydjgKJvHIh\_UbwtXiQctn4/edit?usp=sharing</a>
- Topics for today
  - Zenodo
  - Progress with the Open Data materials and submission status
  - HEPData
  - Docker images for PHENIX (quick overview)
  - Website updates
  - Management of the Analysis Notes



# Zenodo (digital repository)

- Using the CERN instance for ~1.5 years
- Uploads happening at a brisk pace
- 310+ items as of today
- Half of them are PhD theses
- Growing number of conference presentations committed to Zenodo
  - Establishing a new workflow for preservation of these materials, instead of the aging legacy web page
- Documents, images, videos, software
- Thanks to Gabor for taking care of conference presentations and to Stacyann Nelson for the theses upload
- More keywords added to the official list as necessary
- Please consider leveraging Zenodo

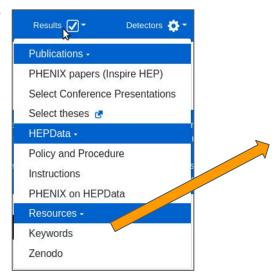




### Keywords

- Maintaining a curated list of keywords is important
- NB. Complex queries involving combination of keywords are possible, and the "elastic search" is built in
- Please check the "Keywords" item under "Results" on the website

Each keyword is a working link

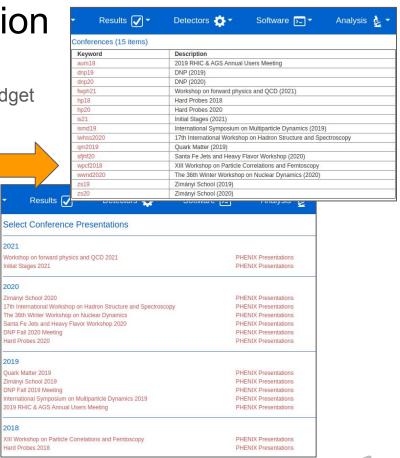


Keyword	Description					
alice	ALICE - an experiment at CERN					
bup	Beam Use Proposal					
decadal plan	Two long-term proposals for the PHENIX research program					
phenix	Pioneering High Energy Nuclear Interaction Experiment (PHENIX) PHOBOS - an experiment at RHIC Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) STAR - an experiment at RHIC					
phobos						
rhic						
star						
wa98	WA98 - an experiment at CERN					
Conferences (21 items Keyword	Description					
aum19	2019 RHIC & AGS Annual Users Meeting					
dnp19	DNP (2019)					
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fwph21	Workshop on forward physics and QCD (2021)					
hp18	Hard Probes 2018					
hp20	Hard Probes 2020					
icnfp19	International Conference on New Frontiers in Physics 2919					
is19	Initial Stages (2019)					
is21	Initial Stages (2021)					
ismd19	International Symposium on Multiparticle Dynamics (2019)					
iwhss2020	17th International Workshop on Hadron Structure and Spectroscopy					
gm18	Ouark Matter 2018					
am2019	Ouark Matter 2019					
sfihf20	Santa Fe Jets and Heavy Flavor Workshop (2020)					
sqm16	Strangeness in Quark Matter 2016					
sam17	Strangeness in Quark Matter 2017					
sgm19	Strangeness in Quark Matter 2019					
wpcf2018	XIII Workshop on Particle Correlations and Femtoscopy					
wwnd2020	The 36th Winter Workshop on Nuclear Dynamics (2020)					
zs19	Zimányi School 2019					
zs20	Zimányi School (2020)					

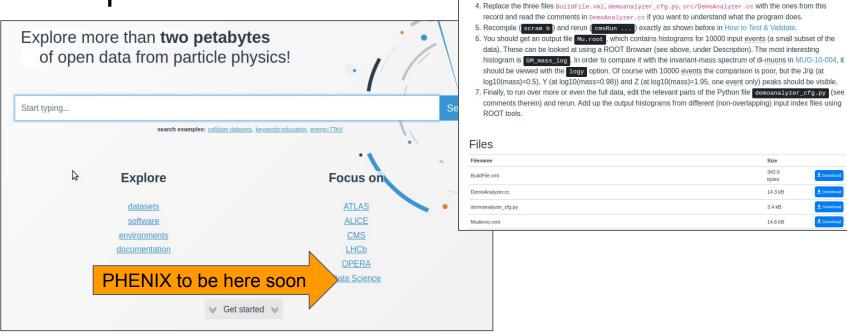


# The legacy database situation

- Upload of conference presentation is broken
- Fixing that will likely take too much time for our budget
- For some months now we've been uploading conference materials to Zenodo
- A managed keyword list (including conferences)
- Is this a good time to switch to the new process?



# Open Data: a flexible DAP platform



How can you use this?

To run the "di-muon spectrum" demo:

Demo/DemoAnalyzer/datasets/.

1. Create directory datasets under Demo/DemoAnalyzer.

How to Test & Validate.

If you do not have the CERN Virtual Machine for 2010 CMS data installed, follow the instructions in step 1 at How to install a CERN Virtual Machine. Then install and run the Demo (demo analyzer) program following the instructions at

2. Download the index files for the /Mu/Run2010B-Apr21ReReco-v1/AOD primary datasets and store them in

Download the JSON file from CMS Validated Runs and save it to the Demo/DemoAnalyzer/datasets directory.

# Open Data - PHENIX engagement

- PHENIX was granted rights to host on the CERN OpenData portal
  - This is a first for an experiment based outside of CERN (and of Europe)
  - The upload mechanism tested, it's simple and reliable (XRootD)
- $\pi^0/\gamma$  analysis case captured, materials uploaded Ntuples, PDF, macros
  - Gabor and Maxim's effort <a href="https://github.com/PhenixCollaboration/opendata">https://github.com/PhenixCollaboration/opendata</a>
- After the initial upload our CERN contacts made a number of suggestions about how to improve the material
- We invested more effort and are close to finalizing this entry
  - Refactored the data
  - Updated the write-up
  - Developed ROOT macros for both legacy (ROOT5) environment and also for ROOT6
  - A Docker image for SL7/ROOT5 has been built



# Open Data - going forward

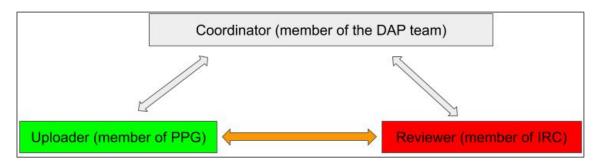
- When time permits, please take a look at the CERN Open Data portal
- A powerful DAP platform which can be leveraged for training and other purposes (future PHENIX Schools?)
- Great publicity for PHENIX
- Question: can we find volunteers to create preserved examples of PHENIX analyses, similar to what we did with  $\pi^0/\gamma$ ?
  - For ROOT-based final stages of analyses creating a package is fairly straightforward
- NB. The LHC experiments are leveraging XRootD/EOS for hosting/shipping data samples - not a requirement but a major convenience. PHENIX does not have that - would be a good idea to get this piece in place going forward



### **HEPData**

- Ongoing work, good participation of the PHENIX community, does take effort
- Contact Maxim and Christine if you have questions or need help

PPG	Contact	Contact e-mail	PPG Uploader name	PPG Uploader e-mail	IRC Reviewer name	IRC Reviewer e-mail	Status/Comments	arXiv	InspireHEP ID	HEPData ID
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## Docker: the purpose and the challenges

- Keep/capture snapshots of individual stages of analyses with proper containers a lot can be done on laptops/workstations - preserve the software environment
  - o cf. legacy ROOT, compilers as they exist on interactive and batch nodes now
- Aid in capturing workflows with REANA
- Challenge: building the software regardless whether it's for Docker images or other purposes if you can build it, you can containerize it
  - Build procedures in PHENIX became rather monolithic and complex over time
  - Looking into it
- Copying over .so's is an option if you can be sure of all dependencies
- CVMFS might be an option as well

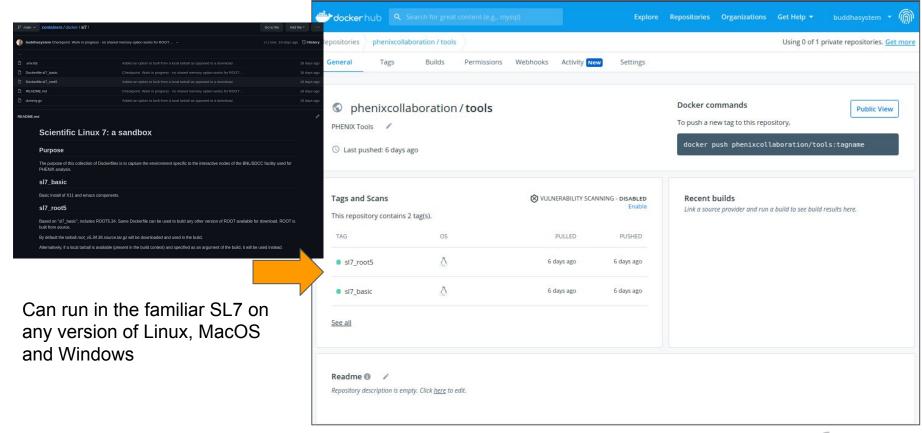


### Docker

- Created a new GitHub repository for PHENIX: "containers"
  - o e.g. for Dockerfiles
  - o For management of materials needed to build various images Docker, Singularity as needed
- Current ROOT 6+ versions are provided by the ROOT team but not ROOT5
  - <a href="https://hub.docker.com/u/rootproject">https://hub.docker.com/u/rootproject</a> runs out of the box
- Built a ROOT 5.34/36 image the PHENIX standard
  - Configuration kept on GitHub
  - PHENIX organization created on Docker Hub, custom images built and pushed to the repo
  - They also include compatible versions of gcc and g++, same as on interactive nodes
  - Available to anyone
- Documented added as the new pages on the website

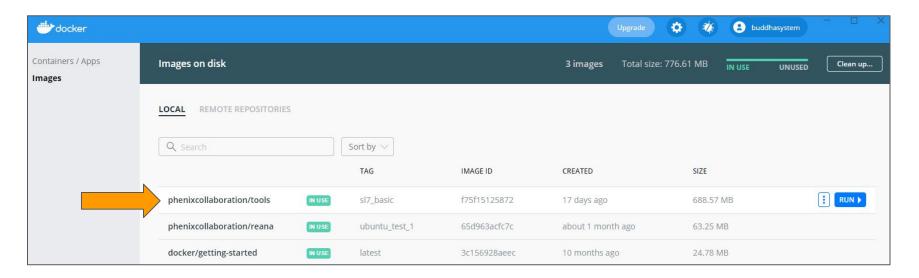


#### Docker - GitHub and Docker Hub



### **Docker on Windows**

- Reasonable installation procedure (a couple of updates and restarts)
- Runs under WSL 2 a Linux environment closer to the kernel than a VM
- Features a desktop application plus full command-line functionality

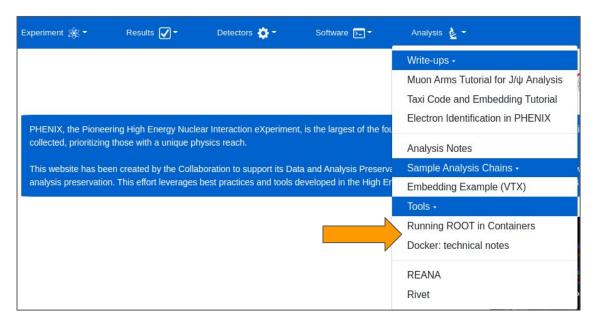


#### Docker on Mac

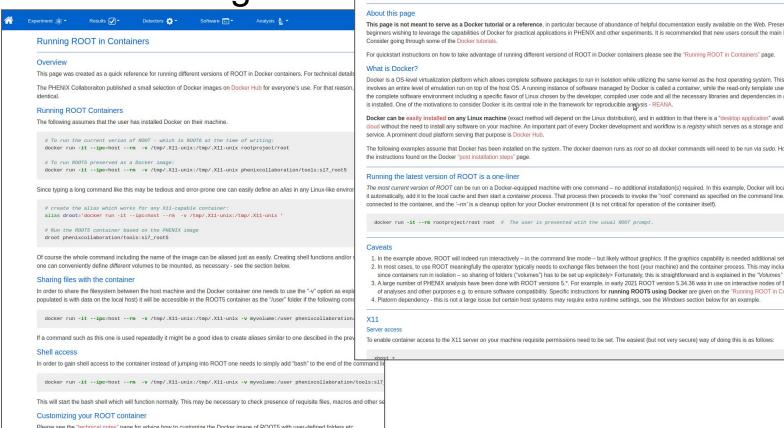
- I don't have a Mac so can't report on experience
- Many users have Macs any volunteers to try it out?
- Can have a complete SL7 environment without installing complex software
  - Same gcc, g++, emacs, xterm, ROOT as on the RACF nodes

## Website updates

- Docker pages created, fair amount of material added
  - Quick start + Technical details



## Website: Docker Pages



Docker: technical notes

#### About this page

This page is not meant to serve as a Docker tutorial or a reference, in particular because of abundance of helpful documentation easily available on the Web. Presen beginners wishing to leverage the capabilities of Docker for practical applications in PHENIX and other experiments, It is recommended that new users consult the main Consider going through some of the Docker tutorials.

For guickstart instructions on how to take advantage of running different versiond of ROOT in Docker containers please see the "Running ROOT in Containers" page.

#### What is Docker?

Docker is a OS-level virtualization platform which allows complete software packages to run in isolation while utilizing the same kernel as the host operating system. This involves an entire level of emulation run on top of the host OS. A running instance of software managed by Docker is called a container, while the read-only template used the complete software environment including a specific flavor of Linux chosen by the developer, compiled user code and all the necessary libraries and dependencies in a is installed. One of the motivations to consider Docker is its central role in the framework for reproducible analysis - REANA.

Docker can be easily installed on any Linux machine (exact method will depend on the Linux distribution), and in addition to that there is a "desktop application" availal cloud without the need to install any software on your machine. An important part of every Docker development and workflow is a registry which serves as a storage and of service. A prominent cloud platform serving that purpose is Docker Hub.

The following examples assume that Docker has been installed on the system. The docker daemon runs as root so all docker commands will need to be run via sudo. How the instructions found on the Docker "post installation steps" page.

#### Running the latest version of ROOT is a one-liner

The most current version of ROOT can be run on a Docker-equipped machine with one command - no additional installation(s) required. In this example, Docker will local it automatically, add it to the local cache and then start a container process. That process then proceeds to invoke the "root" command as specified on the command line connected to the container, and the '-rm' is a cleanup option for your Docker environment (it is not critical for operation of the container itself).

docker run -it --rm rootproject/root root # The user is presented with the usual ROOT prompt.

#### Caveats

- 1. In the example above, ROOT will indeed run interactively in the command line mode but likely without graphics. If the graphics capability is needed additional setti 2. In most cases, to use ROOT meaningfully the operator typically needs to exchange files between the host (your machine) and the container process. This may include
- 3. A large number of PHENIX analysis have been done with ROOT versions 5.\*. For example, in early 2021 ROOT version 5.34.36 was in use on interactive nodes of BI of analyses and other purposes e.g. to ensure software compatibility. Specific instructions for running ROOT5 using Docker are given on the "Running ROOT in Co
- 4. Platorm dependency this is not a large issue but certain host systems may require extra runtime settings, see the Windows section below for an example.

#### X11

To enable container access to the X11 server on your machine requisite permissions need to be set. The easiest (but not very secure) way of doing this is as follows:

Please see the "technical notes" page for advice how to customize the Docker image of ROOT5 with user-defined folders etc.

## Analysis notes

- Long-standing requirements for data privacy and access controls
- Discoverability for authorized users, cross-reference
- Aging infrastructure (legacy web pages) need durable long-term solutions

# Analysis notes: all options (details on the next slide)

- Any type of file sharing option with encryption
  - Passwords can be circulated to select participants only
  - Finding a truly portable solution may be a bit of a challenge, openssl is a strong contender (all platforms)
- Zenodo private access option
  - Access on demand, decided by the PHENIX Zenodo curators
  - The only solution offering proper built-in indexing and search capabilities
- GitHub a private repository
  - Accessible to users on a managed list
  - GitHub tags can be used for indexing (like keywords)
- BNLbox
  - Broadly speaking, an equivalent of Dropbox with vastly larger storage available
  - Web UI
  - File upload and download using a CLI script is possible
  - A fairly capable access control system



### Analysis notes options: the shortlist

- Zenodo private access option
  - Access on demand, decided by the PHENIX Zenodo curators
  - Per-person, per item action this can only work if there are <20 interested people or so for a given note
  - o Designed for "close to final" or "final" versions of documents i.e. not as a workflow mechanism
  - The only solution offering proper built-in indexing and search capabilities
  - References to prior notes on same topics can be handled organically
  - No convenient folder structure i.e. directory trees
- GitHub a private repository
  - o PHENIX does have an organization on GitHub i.e. everything can be properly managed
  - Accessible to users on a managed list
  - Easier management of access, no individual action per item/person
  - Flexible folder structure
  - Designed for revisions/workflows
  - GitHub tags can be used for indexing (like keywords)

