

# Notes on the **FSRoot** Package

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## Abstract

**FSRoot** is a set of utilities to help manipulate information about different Final States (FS) produced in particle physics experiments. The utilities are built around the CERN **ROOT** framework. This document provides an introduction to **FSRoot**.

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# 1 Installation and Initial Setup

The FSRoot utilities are built around the ROOT framework, so a working version of ROOT is a prerequisite. Notes on ROOT versions:

- v6.18 and after: FSRoot should work
- v5.34.09 up to v6.18: FSRoot should work, but without some functionality (e.g. RDataFrame)
- v5.34.08 and before: FSRoot may or may not work

The FSRoot source code is on GitHub:

<https://github.com/remitch66/FSRoot>

1. To download the current working version, use `git clone`:

```
> git clone https://github.com/remitch66/FSRoot.git FSRoot
```

Alternatively, download a released version from here:

```
https://github.com/remitch66/FSRoot/releases
```

and unpack:

```
> tar -xzf v[version].tar.gz
```

2. Set the location of FSRoot in your login shell script (e.g. `.cshrc`):

```
setenv FSRROOT [path]/FSRoot
```

3. To build a static library (which will appear as `$FSROOT/lib/libFSRoot.a`) use:

```
> cd $FSROOT
> make
```

4. To use FSRoot interactively within a ROOT session, add these lines to your `.rootrc` file (usually found in your home directory):

```
Unix.*.Root.DynamicPath: .:$(FSROOT):$(ROOTSYS)/lib:
Unix.*.Root.MacroPath:   .:$(FSROOT):
Rint.Logon:              $(FSROOT)/rootlogon.FSROOT.C
Rint.Logoff:              $(FSROOT)/rootlogoff.FSROOT.C
```

The last two lines load and unload FSRoot when you open and close ROOT. Alternatively, you could load FSRoot manually from ROOT:

```
root> .x $FSROOT/rootlogon.FSROOT.C
```

Now when FSRoot is loaded and compiled, you should see a message saying “Loading the FSRoot Macros” along with output from the compilation. [Note that the `rootlogon.FSROOT.C` file also sets up default styles, which are not essential. If these conflict with styles you have defined elsewhere, you can tweak or remove these.]

5. It may be sometimes necessary to add the FSRoot directory to library path variables:

```
setenv DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH $DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH\: $FSROOT
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH   $LD_LIBRARY_PATH\: $FSROOT
```

## 2 Basic Operations: the FSBasic directory

### 2.1 Basic Conventions: the TTree format

Some `FSRoot` operations on `ROOT TTree` variables assume a particular format for the `TTree`.

Four-vectors are assumed to take the form:

`[AB]EnP[CD]`, `[AB]PxP[CD]`, `[AB]PyP[CD]`, `[AB]PzP[CD]`

where `[CD]` is a particle label (often “1”, “2”, “3”, “2a”, etc., but also “CM” or “B” or other) and `[AB]` labels the type of four-vector (for example, “R” for raw or “K” for kinematically fit or “MC” for Monte Carlo, etc.). The `FSRoot` code does not assume anything about the conventions for `[AB]` – it can be anything up to two characters long (or nothing). For `[CD]`, the final state utilities described in Sec. 3 require the final state particles appear in a given order, and thus assume a numbering convention for `[CD]`, described in Sec. 3.1. The utilities described in this section do not assume a specific form for `[CD]` – they can be anything one or two characters long (but not empty).

Variable names for run numbers (`Run`), event numbers (`Event`), and the  $\chi^2/\text{dof}$  from a kinematic fit (`Chi2DOF`) are also hard-coded in a very limited number of places (like in the function that ranks combinations within an event by  $\chi^2/\text{dof}$ , described in Sec. 3.5).

[Perhaps a future version of `FSRoot` will make the assumed `TTree` format customizable.]

### 2.2 Basic Histogram Utilities: the FSHistogram class

Basic histogram functions are provided by the `FSHistogram` class in the `FSBasic` directory. Like many other functions within `FSRoot`, the functions within the `FSHistogram` class are static member functions, so there is never a need to deal with instances of `FSHistogram`.

The basic functionality is through the `FSHistogram::getTH1F` and `FSHistogram::getTH2F` classes. Here are example uses that can be run from either the `ROOT` command line or from a macro (see `Examples/Intro/intro.C`). The first draws a 1d histogram and the second draws a 2d histogram. The third argument is the variable to plot; the fourth holds the number of bins and bounds.

```
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"Chi2DOF", "(60,0.0,6.0)","")->Draw();
> FSHistogram::getTH2F(fileName,treeName,"Chi2DOF:Event",
    "(100,0.0,1.0e6,60,0.0,6.0)","")->Draw("colz");
```

Cuts can be added in the fifth argument:

```
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"Chi2DOF",
    "(60,0.0,6.0)","Chi2DOF<5.0")->Draw();
```

The variable and cut arguments can contain shortcuts. For example, `MASS(I,J)` is expanded into the total invariant mass of particles I and J, where I and J are not necessarily numbers (they are the [CD] in Sec. 2.1). Characters in front of `MASS` (for example) are prepended to the variable names (the [AB] in Sec. 2.1). This is all done in the function `FSTree::expandVariable`, which can also be run independently for testing. A list of all macros can be seen using `FSTree::showDefinedMacros` (for example, `RECOILMASS`, `MOMENTUM`, `COSINE`, etc.). An example for `FSHistogram::getTH1F`:

```
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"MASS(1,2)",
    "(100,3.0,3.2)","Chi2DOF<5.0&&abs(RMASS(2,3)-1.0)<0.2")->Draw();
```

Examples for `FSTree::expandVariable`:

```
> cout << FSTree::expandVariable("MASS(1,2)+MASS(2,3)") << endl;
// ==> "(sqrt(pow(((EnP1+EnP2)),2)-pow(((PxP1+PxP2)),2)
        -pow(((PyP1+PyP2)),2)-pow(((PzP1+PzP2)),2)))
        +(sqrt(pow(((EnP2+EnP3)),2)-pow(((PxP2+PxP3)),2)
        -pow(((PyP2+PyP3)),2)-pow(((PzP2+PzP3)),2)))"

> cout << FSTree::expandVariable("ABMASS(1,C)") << endl;
// ==> "(sqrt(pow(((ABEnP1+ABEnPC)),2)-pow(((ABPxP1+ABPxPC)),2)
        -pow(((ABPyP1+ABPyPC)),2)-pow(((ABPzP1+ABPzPC)),2)))"

> cout << FSTree::expandVariable("RECOILMASS(CM;D,2)") << endl;
// ==> "(sqrt(pow(((EnPCM)-(EnP2+EnPD)),2)-pow(((PxPCM)-(PxP2+PxPD)),2)
        -pow(((PyPCM)-(PyP2+PyPD)),2)-pow(((PzPCM)-(PzP2+PzPD)),2)))"
```

Histograms are automatically cached so they are made only once. To save histograms at the end of a session, use the function:

```
> FSHistogram::dumpHistogramCache();
```

To read in the cache at the beginning of a session:

```
> FSHistogram::readHistogramCache();
```

To clear a cache from memory during a session:

```
> FSHistogram::clearHistogramCache();
```

To see the contents of the cache:

```
> FSHistogram::showHistogramCache();
```

## 2.3 Basic Cut Utilities: the FSCut class

Additional shortcuts for making plots are available through the `FSCut` class in the `FSBasic` directory. The following example (not using `FSCut`) defines two cuts and then uses them to make a plot, as above:

```
> TString cutCHI2("Chi2DOF<5.0");
> TString cutRMASS("abs(RMASS(2,3)-1.0)<0.2");
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"MASS(1,2)",
    "(100,3.0,3.2)",cutCHI2+"&&" + cutRMASS)->Draw();
```

As a shortcut to do the exact same thing, one can give the cuts names and then implement them using the keyword `CUT()`:

```
> FSCut::defineCut("chi2",cutCHI2);
> FSCut::defineCut("rmass",cutRMASS);
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"MASS(1,2)",
    "(100,3.0,3.2)", "CUT(chi2,rmass)")->Draw();
```

The `FSCut` class can also be used to define sidebands, which can then be implemented using the keyword `CUTSB()`:

```
> TString cutCHI2SB("Chi2DOF>10.0&&Chi2DOF<20.0");
> // the relative size of signal to sideband is 0.5
> FSCut::defineCut("chi2",cutCHI2,cutCHI2SB,0.5);
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"MASS(1,2)",
    "(100,3.0,3.2)", "CUT(rmass)&&CUTSB(chi2)")->Draw();
```

If multiple sidebands are used simultaneously, then all combinations of sideband regions are considered and the resulting histogram is a sum of sideband regions with weights determined by the weights for individual regions:

```
> TString cutRMASSSB("abs(RMASS(2,3)-2.0)<0.6");
> // the relative size of signal to sideband is 1.0/3.0
> FSCut::defineCut("rmass",cutRMASS,cutRMASSSB,1.0/3.0);
> FSHistogram::getTH1F(fileName,treeName,"MASS(1,2)",
    "(100,3.0,3.2)", "CUTSB(chi2,rmass)")->Draw();
```

## 2.4 Basic Tree Utilities: the FSTree class

The `FSTree` class is also located in the `FSBasic` directory and provides basic utilities to operate on trees. Besides the static `FSTree::expandVariable` member function mentioned in Sec. 2.2, the most useful function is for skimming trees. For example:

```
> FSTree::skimTree(inputFileName, inputTreeName, outputFileName,
  "Chi2DOF<5.0");
```

This will take the tree named `inputTreeName` from the file `inputFileName`, loop over all events and select only those that pass the cut on `Chi2DOF`, then output the selected events to the file named `outputFileName` in a tree with the same name as the input tree. The shortcuts mentioned in Sec 2.2 can also be used here, for example:

```
> FSTree::skimTree(inputFileName, inputTreeName, outputFileName,
  "abs(MASS(1,2)-0.5)<0.1");
```

### 3 Final State Operations: the FSMode directory

#### 3.1 Mode Numbering and Conventions

A “final state” (also called “mode”) is made from a combination of:  $\Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi^-)$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}(\rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+)$ ,  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $\mu^+$ ,  $\mu^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\eta(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $K^-$ ,  $K_S^0(\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)$ ,  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ .

As strings, these final state particles are given as:  $\Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi^-) \equiv \text{Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}(\rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+) \equiv \text{ALambda}$ ,  $e^+ \equiv \text{e+}$ ,  $e^- \equiv \text{e-}$ ,  $\mu^+ \equiv \text{mu+}$ ,  $\mu^- \equiv \text{mu-}$ ,  $p \equiv \text{p+}$ ,  $\bar{p} \equiv \text{p-}$ ,  $\eta(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \equiv \text{eta}$ ,  $\gamma \equiv \text{gamma}$ ,  $K^+ \equiv \text{K+}$ ,  $K^- \equiv \text{K-}$ ,  $K_S^0(\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \equiv \text{Ks}$ ,  $\pi^+ \equiv \text{pi+}$ ,  $\pi^- \equiv \text{pi-}$ ,  $\pi^0(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \equiv \text{pi0}$ .

In a `TTree`, the final state particles should be listed in the order they are given above. The numbering for the [CD] (Sec. 2.1) starts at “1”. For final state particles that decay ( $\Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi^-) \equiv \text{Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}(\rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+) \equiv \text{ALambda}$ ,  $\eta(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \equiv \text{eta}$ ,  $K_S^0(\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \equiv \text{Ks}$ ,  $\pi^0(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \equiv \text{pi0}$ ), the four-momenta of the decay particles are listed using “a” and “b” in the same order as above. No assumptions about ordering are made for identical particles.

For example, for the final state  $\gamma K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \pi^0$ , the four-momenta are:

EnP1	PxP1	PyP1	PzP1	(for the gamma)
EnP2	PxP2	PyP2	PzP2	(for the K+)
EnP3	PxP3	PyP3	PzP3	(for the Ks)
EnP3a	PxP3a	PyP3a	PzP3a	(for the pi+ from Ks)
EnP3b	PxP3b	PyP3b	PzP3b	(for the pi- from Ks)
EnP4	PxP4	PyP4	PzP4	(for the pi+)
EnP5	PxP5	PyP5	PzP5	(for one pi-)
EnP6	PxP6	PyP6	PzP6	(for the other pi-)
EnP7	PxP7	PyP7	PzP7	(for the pi0)
EnP7a	PxP7a	PyP7a	PzP7a	(for one gamma from pi0)
EnP7b	PxP7b	PyP7b	PzP7b	(for the other gamma from pi0)

Every final state can be specified in three different ways:

(1) `pair<int,int> modeCode`: a pair of two integers (`modeCode1`, `modeCode2`) that count the number of particles in a decay mode:

```
modeCode1 = abcdefg
  a = # gamma      d = # Ks          g = # pi0
  b = # K+         e = # pi+
  c = # K-         f = # pi-
modeCode2 = abcdefghi
  a = # Lambda     d = # e-          g = # p+
  b = # ALambda    e = # mu+         h = # p-
  c = # e+         f = # mu-         i = # eta
```

(2) `TString modeString`: a string version of `modeCode1` and `modeCode2` in the format “`modeCode2_modeCode1`”. It can contain a prefix (for example, “FS” or “EXC” or “INC” or anything longer) that isn’t used here, but can help with organization elsewhere.

(3) `TString modeDescription`: a string with a list of space-separated particle names (for example, “K+ K- pi+ pi+ pi- pi-”). The final state particles can appear in any order.

For example, the final state  $\gamma K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \pi^0$  has `modeCode1` = 1101121, `modeCode2` = 0, `modeString` = “0\_1101121”, and `modeDescription` = “gamma K+ Ks pi+ pi- pi- pi0”.

### 3.2 Mode Information: the `FSModeInfo` class

Information about an individual final state is carried by the `FSModeInfo` class. Here are examples of a few of its basic member functions:

```
> FSModeInfo mi("K+ K- K+ K- pi+ pi- pi0 eta");
> mi.modeString(); // ==> "1_220111"
> mi.modeCode1(); // ==> 220111
> mi.modeCode2(); // ==> 1
> mi.modeString("this is the code: (MODECODE1,MODECODE2)");
// ==> "this is the code: (220111,1)"
> mi.modeString("MODESTRING corresponds to MODEDESCRIPTION");
// ==> "1_220111 corresponds to K+ K+ K- K- pi+ pi- pi0 eta "
```

The `FSModeInfo` class also handles particle combinatorics within a given final state through the `modeCombinatorics` member function. This is done using place holders like “[pi+]”, “[pi-]”, “[K+]”, “[K+3]”, “[tk+]”, “[pi0]”, etc., which are replaced by particle indices. While the `modeCombinatorics` function is rarely used explicitly by the user, it can be useful for cross-checking that the behavior of the combinatorics is what you want. For example:

```
> mi.modeCombinatorics("K+[K+], K-[K-], K+(again)[K+], K+(other one)[K+2]",true);
// ==> *****
// ==> *** MODE COMBINATORICS TEST ***
```

```

// ==> *****
// ==>         mode = K+ K+ K- K- pi+ pi- pi0 eta
// ==>         input = K+[K+], K-[K-], K+(again)[K+], K+(other one)[K+2]
// ==>         combinations:
// ==>             (1) K+2,K-4,K+(again)2,K+(otherone)3
// ==>             (2) K+2,K-5,K+(again)2,K+(otherone)3
// ==>             (3) K+3,K-4,K+(again)3,K+(otherone)2
// ==>             (4) K+3,K-5,K+(again)3,K+(otherone)2
// ==> *****

```

The `modeCuts` member function uses the results of `modeCombinatorics` to combine combinatorics into a single string using the keywords “AND” and “OR”:

```

> cout << mi.modeCuts("OR((ABC[K+]+DEF[K-])>0)") << endl;
// ==> "(((ABC2+DEF4)>0)||((ABC3+DEF4)>0)||((ABC2+DEF5)>0)||((ABC3+DEF5)>0))"
> cout << mi.modeCuts("AND((ABC[K+]+DEF[K-])>0)") << endl;
// ==> "(((ABC2+DEF4)>0)&&((ABC3+DEF4)>0)&&((ABC2+DEF5)>0)&&((ABC3+DEF5)>0))"

```

Note that most of the functionality of the `FSModeInfo` class is rarely used explicitly. It is more often combined with other functions and used in higher-level classes (like `FSModeHistogram`), often producing large strings (used only internally), like:

```

> FSTree::expandVariable(mi.modeCuts("AND(MASS2([K+],[K-])>MASS2([pi+],[K-]))"))
// ==> "((( (EnP2+EnP4)**2-(PxP2+PxP4)**2-(PyP2+PyP4)**2-(PzP2+PzP4)**2)>
        ((EnP4+EnP6)**2-(PxP4+PxP6)**2-(PyP4+PyP6)**2-(PzP4+PzP6)**2))&&
        (( (EnP3+EnP4)**2-(PxP3+PxP4)**2-(PyP3+PyP4)**2-(PzP3+PzP4)**2)>
        ((EnP4+EnP6)**2-(PxP4+PxP6)**2-(PyP4+PyP6)**2-(PzP4+PzP6)**2))&&
        (( (EnP2+EnP5)**2-(PxP2+PxP5)**2-(PyP2+PyP5)**2-(PzP2+PzP5)**2)>
        ((EnP5+EnP6)**2-(PxP5+PxP6)**2-(PyP5+PyP6)**2-(PzP5+PzP6)**2))&&
        (( (EnP3+EnP5)**2-(PxP3+PxP5)**2-(PyP3+PyP5)**2-(PzP3+PzP5)**2)>
        ((EnP5+EnP6)**2-(PxP5+PxP6)**2-(PyP5+PyP6)**2-(PzP5+PzP6)**2))))"

```

The `FSModeInfo` object also contains a list of “categories” that are used by the `FSModeCollection` class (next section) for organization. The `display` method shows information about a given mode, including a list of categories, some of which are added by default. In the following, the first use of `display` will show the default list of categories; the second will also show the added categories:

```

> mi.display();
// ==> 0      1_220111      K+ K+ K- K- pi+ pi- pi0 eta
// ==>                               Hadronic HasGammas HasEtas HasKaons
// ==>                               HasPions HasPi0s 1Eta4K2Pi1Pi0 8Body
// ==>                               4Gamma CODE=1_220111 CODE1=220111 CODE2=1
> mi.addCategory("TEST1");
> mi.addCategory("TEST2");
> mi.display();

```



```
// ==> 0 1_220111 K+ K- K- pi+ pi- pi0 eta
// ==> Hadronic HasGammas HasEtas HasKaons
// ==> HasPions HasPi0s 1Eta4K2Pi1Pi0 8Body
// ==> 4Gamma CODE=1_220111 CODE1=220111 CODE2=1
// ==> TEST1 TEST2
```

### 3.3 Collections of Modes: the FSModeCollection class

A list of final states (FSModeInfo objects) is managed by the FSModeCollection class through static member functions. The FSModeCollection class uses the categories associated with different final states to produce sublists. The initial list of final states is empty. There are a few methods to add final states to the list. Here is one, where the optional additions to the end of the final state strings add categories:

```
> FSModeCollection::addModeInfo("K+ K-      2K phi   EXA");
> FSModeCollection::addModeInfo("pi+ pi-      2pi rho  EXB");
> FSModeCollection::addModeInfo("pi+ pi- pi0   3pi omega EXA");
```

The display method will show final states associated with different combinations of categories:

```
> FSModeCollection::display();           // shows all three
> FSModeCollection::display("2K");       // shows just the 2K mode
> FSModeCollection::display("2K,2pi");   // shows 2K and 2pi
> FSModeCollection::display("EXA");      // shows 2K and 3pi
> FSModeCollection::display("2K&2pi");   // shows none
> FSModeCollection::display("2K&!2pi");  // shows 2K
> FSModeCollection::display("HasPions"); // shows 2pi,3pi
> FSModeCollection::display("HasPions&!3pi"); // shows 2pi
```

The same list could be created from a text file (the format resembles that for EvtGen; blank lines are ignored; everything after a # is ignored):

```
---- file: ThreeModes.modes ----
Decay ThreeModes
  K+ K-      2K phi   EXA
  pi+ pi-      2pi rho  EXB
  pi+ pi- pi0   3pi omega EXA
Enddecay
----- end file -----
> FSModeCollection::addModesFromFile("ThreeModes.modes");
```

Nested lists can also be used:

```
---- file: NestedModes.modes ----
```

```

Decay psi'
  pi+ pi- JPSI      pipiJpsi
  eta JPSI          etaJpsi
Enddecay
Decay JPSI
  mu+ mu-      MM
  e+ e-        EE
Enddecay
----- end file -----
> FSModeCollection::addModesFromFile("NestedModes.modes");
> FSModeCollection::display(""); // shows all four combinations
> FSModeCollection::display("MM"); // shows two modes with mu+ mu-
> FSModeCollection::display("etaJpsi"); // shows two modes with eta JPSI
> FSModeCollection::display("etaJpsi&MM"); // shows one mode

```

Other methods also operate on combinations of categories:

```

> FSModeCollection::addModesFromFile("NestedModes.modes");
> vector<FSModeInfo*> modes = FSModeCollection::modeVector("MM");
> TString FN("file.MODECODE.root"); TString NT("tree_MODECODE");
> for (unsigned int i = 0; i < modes.size(); i++){
>   cout << "a file name: " << modes[i]->modeString(FN) << endl;
>   cout << "a tree name: " << modes[i]->modeString(NT) << endl;
> }

```

### 3.4 Histograms for Multiple Modes: the FSModeHistogram class

The `FSModeHistogram` class combines features from the classes described above to make histograms for multiple final states and to manage the particle combinatorics within those final states.

The primary member function is `FSModeHistogram::getTH1F`, which closely resembles the `FSHistogram::getTH1F` function described in Sec. 2.2. It takes an additional argument that specifies the modes to loop over. In addition to `FSTree::expandVariable`, it also incorporates methods like `ModeInfo::modeString`, `ModeInfo::modeCombinatorics`, `ModeInfo::modeCuts`, and `ModeCollection::modeVector`, all illustrated above.

Here is an example that would plot the mass of the  $J/\psi$  given the decay modes specified by the `NestedModes.modes` file shown in the previous section. The first histogram is a sum of two histograms; the second and third histograms are a sum of four histograms.

```

> FSModeCollection::addModesFromFile("NestedModes.modes");
> TString FN("file.MODECODE.root"); TString NT("tree_MODECODE");
> // plot the total mu+ mu- mass for modes containing muons
> FSModeHistogram::getTH1F(FN,NT,"MM","MASS([mu+],[mu-])","(100,3.0,3.2)",
  "Chi2DOF<5.0")->Draw();

```

```

> // plot the total di-lepton mass for all four modes
> FModeHistogram::getTH1F(FN,NT,"","MASS([l+],[l-])","(100,3.0,3.2)",
    "Chi2DOF<5.0")->Draw();
> // plot the same using a cut on track quality
> TString cutTRACK("AND(TrackQualityParticle[tk]>10)");
> FModeHistogram::getTH1F(FN,NT,"","MASS([l+],[l-])","(100,3.0,3.2)",
    "Chi2DOF<5.0"+AND+cutTRACK)->Draw();

```

To explicitly see how the histograms are constructed, use:

```

> FSControl::DEBUG = true;

```

The histogram caches also work here: methods like `FHistogram::dumpHistogramCache` work as before.

### 3.5 Operations on Multiple Trees: the `FModeTree` class

The `FModeTree` class contains static member functions to operate on multiple trees.

The `FModeTree::skimTree` method works in the same way as the `FSTree::skimTree` method (Sec. 2.4), except it takes an argument to specify a combination of categories. To skim trees for all the final states listed in `NestedModes.modes`, and to make track quality cuts on all the tracks, for example:

```

> FModeCollection::addModesFromFile("NestedModes.modes");
> TString inFN("file.MODECODE.root");  TString NT("tree.MODECODE");
> TString outFN("skim.MODECODE.root");
> TString cutTRACK("AND(TrackQualityParticle[tk]>10)");
> FModeTree::skimTree(inFN,NT,"EE,MM",outFN,cutTRACK);

```

It often happens in particle physics experiments that a given event can be reconstructed multiple times under different hypotheses. This can happen within a single final state – for example, an event from the final state  $K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  could be reconstructed once correctly and again one or more times incorrectly by misidentifying pions as kaons and vice versa. It can also happen across several final states – for example, the same event from the  $K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  final state could also be reconstructed as  $K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  by missing the  $\pi^0$ .

The different hypotheses in the above scenarios would lead to different values of the  $\chi^2/\text{dof}$  from kinematic fits. The `createChi2Friends` method uses the `TTree` variables `Run`, `Event`, and `Chi2DOF` to rank hypotheses by  $\chi^2/\text{dof}$ . It does this by creating a friend tree in a new file – the name of the new file name is the same as the old file name except with a “.chi” appended. The friend tree contains the variables:

```

// NCombinations: number of combinations within a final state
// Chi2Rank: rank of this combination within a final state

```

```
// NCombinationsGlobal: number of combinations in all final states
// Chi2RankGlobal: rank of this combination in all final states
```

The friend tree is used automatically by `FSModeHistogram` by setting:

```
> FSControl::CHAINFRIEND = "chi";
```

## 4 Fitting Utilities: the `FSFit` directory

The fitting utilities (contained in the directory `FSFit`) work, but are still under development. See the examples in the directory `Examples/Fitting` for the general idea.

## 5 Organizing Data and Data Sets: the `FSData` directory

The `FSData` directory contains utilities to manipulate data and data sets. The `FSXYPoint` classes are general, while the `FSEEDataset` and `FSEEXS` classes are specific to  $e^+e^-$  data sets and cross sections, respectively.

Points can be read from files using the `FSXYPointList::addXYPointsFromFile` method. Data sets (for  $e^+e^-$ ) can be read from files using the `FSEEDatasetList::addDataSetsFromFile` method. Cross sections (for  $e^+e^-$ ) are read using the `FSEEXSList::addXSFromFile` method. The resulting lists can then be manipulated using “categories” (in a way similar to the way final states are manipulated by the `FSMode` classes). A selection of data sets and reactions from BESIII can be found in the files `BESLUMINOSITIES.txt` and `BESREACTIONS.txt`, respectively.