Improving Analysis Workflow with IPython

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Time and Location:

- Setup Session. 1.5 hour.Monday Jan 28 2013 16:00-17:30 Redwood C/D.
- ► Tutorial Session. 4 hour. Thursday Jan 31 2013 8:30am-12:30pm Redwood C/D.

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Can't attend the tutorial?

The materials on the website is designed so that you learn it by yourself. They are all downloadable from our website.

What's better about Python etc.?

The Language

- ▶ A lot of problem with ROOT is not really ROOT problem.
- ► C++ is a very verbose static type language. Good for other things but not a dynamic work like data analysis.
- ▶ C++. Static typing. Repeat yourself like crazy.

```
TFile f("myfile.root");
TTree* tree = dynamic_cast<TTree*>f.Get("tree");
float x;
tree->SetBranchAddress("x",&x); //repeat this
tree->GetEntry(10);
cout << x << endl;</pre>
```

Python. root_numpy.
https://github.com/rootpy/root_numpy

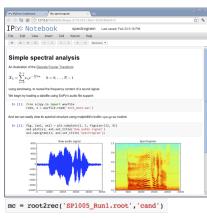
```
data = root2rec("myfile.root")#treename is optional
print data.x[10]
```

► There is PyROOT. But it is very slow for doing basic stuff like reading file. root_numpy is as fast as C++. There is also rootpy which use root_numpy as backend.

Interactive Environment

CINT/ROOT C/C++ Interpreter version 5.18.00, July 2, 2010 Type ? for help. Commands must be C++ statements. Enclose multiple statements between { }. root [0]

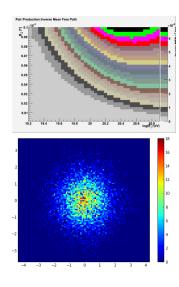
- ROOT interactive environment is not so good for doing analysis.
 Both new TBrowser and command prompt environment.
- IPython Notebook environment.
- ▶ http://ipython.org/
- Mathematica. Maple. Matlab. Sage.
- Type command. See output. Edit command. See output.
- ► Immediate inline feedback is the key. No separate windows.
- ► Save it along with output. Come back and view/re-execute later.
- Autocomplete. Docstring. IPython magic.
- inumpy
 - https://github.com/piti118/inumpy





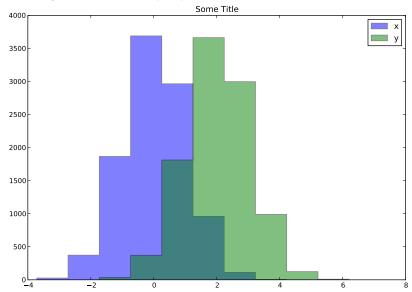
Plots looks nice by default

- Needs tons of work to make ROOT plot looks OK. They changed it recently though.
- Gray background by default. Why? Really?
- Default color for COLZ.
 - Legend says they are the 16 color supported by color screen back then.
- ► No transparent color!!
- ► Matplotlib. Python plotting library. http://matplotlib.org/
- ► Huge Gallery http://matplotlib.org/gallery.html
- Extensive documentation.



Plotting syntax

Let's try to make a simple plot



Plotting Syntax

ROOT. Black magic.

```
tree->Draw("x");
THIF *xhist = (THIF*)gPad->GetPrimitive("htemp");
htemp->SetLineColor(kRed);
tree->Draw("y>>h2", "same");
THIF *yhist = (THIF*)gPad->GetPrimitive("h2");
yhist->SetLineColor(kBlue);
htemp->SetTitle("Magic!!!");
Legend* leg = new TLegend(0.1,0.7,0.48,0.9);
leg->SetHeader("The Legend Title");
leg->AddEntry(xhist, "x");
leg->AddEntry(yhist, "y");
leg->Draw();
```

Matplotlib. Named argument.

Bonus

Multivariate Analysis and Fitting

- ▶ Python has tons of packages to do multivariate analysis.
 - $\blacktriangleright \ \, \mathsf{Most \ popular \ one \ is \ scikit-learn \ http://scikit-learn.org/}$
 - ► A Bunch of neural network library too.
- Fitting takes advantage of Python introspection. You can ask a python function: Hey, what are your arguments?
- ► This means minimizer can automagically recognizes argument names as parameters. No need to repeat yourself.

```
def f(x,y,z):
    return (x-2)**2+(y-3)**2+(z-4)**2
m = Minuit(f)#it knows arguments are x,y,z
m.migrad()
print m.values #{"x":2.,"y":3.,"z":4.}
```

- Minuit and Likelihood/ χ^2 construction. With introspection and much more.
 - ▶ https://github.com/iminuit/iminuit
 - ▶ https://github.com/iminuit/probfit

```
def pdf(x, mu, sigma, alpha):
    return complicated_function(x,mu,sigma,alpha)
lh = UnbinnedLH(pdf,data) # knows about mu, sigma, alpha
m = Minuit(lh)
m.migrad()
```

Conclusion

Topics

- Basic Python
- Reading ROOT File and Plotting
- Multivariate Analysis
- Fitting

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Good Interactive Environment will Change Your Workflow

