Pushing Boundaries: Femtoscale Research with Large-Scale Tech (in accelerator-driven "nuclear" physics)

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A confession...

 My background: physicist with "self-educated" (software) engineering skills (if any)

 GNURadio^{4.0} only learned about it recently (via this event)



Even more embarrassing...



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GNU Radio 4.0, like its predecessors, is a flexible and powerful tool that can be applied to various aspects of hadron physics experiments, especially in signal processing, data acquisition, and analysis. While GNU Radio is primarily designed for software-defined radio (SDR), its modular and customizable architecture makes it adaptable for tasks in hadron physics, particularly in areas where signal processing and data acquisition are critical.



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- identification, analyzing the frequency components of signals can be crucial.
- employed to perform frequency domain analysis on signals, helping to distinguish



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 - Using GNU Radio: GNU Radio 4.0 can interface with DAQ hardware to acquire data in real-time. You can set up a flowgraph to capture, process, and monitor the data as it is collected, enabling real-time analysis and decision-making.
- Triggering Systems:
 - Importance of Triggers: Triggers are used in hadron physics experiments to capture events of interest, such as specific particle interactions.
 - Using GNU Radio: Implement custom trigger logic within GNU Radio to capture only the relevant events. For example, you could set a threshold condition on signal amplitude or pulse width to trigger data recording.

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- Using GNU Radio: Implement algorithms in GNU Radio for reconstructing events from raw signal data. This could involve combining signals from multiple detectors to reconstruct a hadron's path or interaction vertex.

Noise Filtering and Data Cleaning:

• Noise in Detectors: Noise is a common issue in detector data, potentially obscuring important signals.

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• Using GNU Radio: Apply filters in GNU Radio to clean up the data, removing noise while preserving the signal of interest. You can use adaptive filters, matched filters, or customdesigned filters specific to the characteristics of your detector and experiment.

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This talk, the objectives...

Science & Tech at GSI/FAIR: the why, the how, the what?

• (Typical) example case based on personal experiences

 Lessons from the past, developments in the present, towards the needs and challenges for the future

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"Hadron physics"

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Quantum Chromo Dynamics

Origin of mass?

Properties of hadrons?

Formation of hadrons?

Underlying symmetries

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Baryonic matter at high densities (CBM)

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High Energy Storage Ring at FAIR



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Stochastic cooling: $\Delta p/p \approx 3 \times 10^{-5}$ Accumulation: 10^{11} antiprotons $\rightarrow L \approx 2 \times 10^{32}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹







Needles-in-a-haystack





Data processing scheme

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MC simulations

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Back to the (late) 90-ties

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CAMAC



PAW Physics Analysis Workstation

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Bigger shovel?

Moore's law



Original data up to the year 2010 collected and plotted by M. Horowitz, F. Labonte, O. Shacham, K. Olukotun, L. Hammond, and C. Batten New plot and data collected for 2010-2019 by K. Rupp

Paradigm shift in data processing!



Free-streaming online data-processing



No hardware trigger, software driven

Event Selection



Intelligent in-situ data processing





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- 3. Code often developed by temporary physicists (PhD, PD)
- 4. Reinventing the wheel is unfortunately a common practise
- 5. Software developments are evolutionary driven
- 6. Recognition of software R&D (still) lacks behind other R&D



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Computing and Software for Big Science

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Software frameworks ...an absolute key element



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Well, guess I don't have to explain this to the GNUradio community ;-) The real question is how to make a framework successful (lifetime, usage, ...)!

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ROOI ...since 1996









Fons Rademakers

"Rapid Object-Oriented Technology"

- Software framework born at CERN
- Available under (L)GPL
 - Successor of PAW (fortran)
 - Storage, processing, visualisation, analysis of scientific data
 - Designed to cope with LHC data (>PB/yr)
 - Object oriented (C++)
 - Interactive usage with Cling C++ interpreter; interface to Python
 - Huge community beyond HEP
- Windows, OSX, Linux, Solaris, IBM AIX; IA-32, x86-64



FAIRROOT ...since 2003



AliceO2

EICRoot

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Mohammad Al-Turany (GSI) et al.

Experiment design,
 feasibility MC studies, and
 data analysis of exp^s!

•Generate(d)s lots of **synergy** between different groups at FAIR and beyond

> The proven basis for successful "federated" computing!



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FAIR meets ALICE (CERN)

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ALICE O²: - DAQ, online & offline with one framework

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ALFA: - Join forces in a combined framework!

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2021



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FAIR meets ALICE (CERN)

- **BSD** sockets API
- Bindings for 30+ languages
- Lockless and Fast
- Automatic re-connection
- Multiplexed I/O



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ALFA

FAIRMQ:

Mohammad Al-Turany (GSI) et al.



Based on "actor" model of concurrency

 Asynchronous messaging toolkit • Broad scala of messaging pattern • Fault tolerant, scalable, and simplified concurrency • Commun. layer: 0MQ, shared memory, and Libfabric

Hewitt, Bishop, Steiger, "A Universal Modular Actor Formalism for Artificial Intelligence", 1973

FairMQDevice

Input

User

Data



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Overlapping events in TPC with realistic bunch structure @ 50 kHz Pb-Pb Timeframe of 2 ms shown (will be 10 – 20 ms in production) Tracks of different collisions shown in different colour

David Rohr, Giulio Eulisse,



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Transport Layer: ALFA / FairMQ¹

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Offline and Online based on same architecture



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Computing developments ...getting smarter



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ML applications ...well-established

1. Classification 2. Clustering



3. Multi-parameter fits



NL& Alappications ... the promises for the future

- 1. Model complex detector responses
- 2. Assist in detector design
- 3. Support experiment operations
- 4. Support real-time event selection
- 5. Anomaly detection
- 6. Enable new discoveries via data mining, etc.
- 7. Support data management & information preservation
- 8. Exploit foundation models
- 9. ... etc....

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CATEGORIZE DESCRIBE

Handcrafted Knowledge

Statistical Learning

Contextual Adaptation



ML& Al applications ... the promises for the future

IS IT ALL HYPE?



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Self-Driving



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AI/ML for *stable* experiment operations







- Beams at high intensities, harsh environment, increasing #sensors + holistic, complex
- In-situ event reconstruction will rely on quality beam & calibrated sensors
- High operational costs, limited beam time, and human resources
- **High publication pressure**, spending years on calibrations etc. unacceptable
- Remote control has become more important (pandemic)



Running an experiment at GSI (HADES @ FAIR Phase Zero)







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Long short-term memory (LSTM) within in a graph convolutional network



- Atmospheric pressure;
- High voltage;
- CO₂ concentration;
- Overpressure;
- H₂O concentration;
- Dew Point;
- Electronics temperature;











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6. Its academic values (e.g. impact on scientific advances) are yet **underestimated**, but will increasingly be recognised!

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GNUradio?

1.Well integrated in accelerator/ring activities at GSI/FAIR. 2.What about its usefulness in (large-scale) experiments? 3.Follow-up the recommendation of ChatGPT? 4.Role of ML & AI? THINGS 5.Suggestions?

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