Hall A Analysis Software & Computing Update

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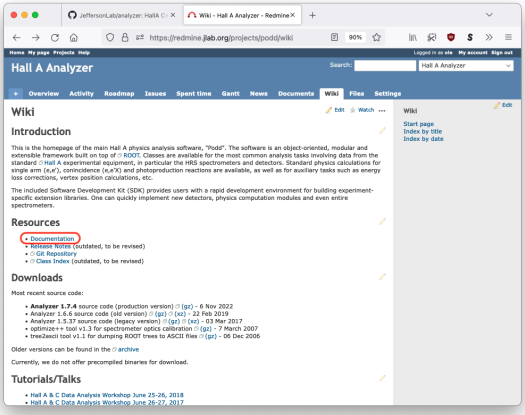
Core Software: Podd Event Processing Framework

- C++ class library built on top of ROOT. Steering via ROOT interpreter.
- Developed in-house. Standard choice for Hall A reconstruction & analysis since 2003.
- Shared development with Hall C since 2012 ("hcana").
- Documentation & bug tracker in Redmine. Sources on GitHub.
- Strengths
  - Highly modular to accommodate frequently changing experimental setups.
  - Intuitively conceptualizes analysis in terms of physical apparatuses (spectrometers, detectors) and physics calculations (kinematics, energy loss corrections, etc.)
  - Light-weight: minimal dependencies, small memory footprint.
  - Output & cuts run-time configurable via text files. Flat text file database.
- Limitations
  - Currently still single-threaded.
  - Designed for one-pass analysis: EVIO raw data $\rightarrow$ n-tuple-like ROOT trees + histograms
- Requirements
  - Linux or macOS
  - ROOT 6
  - CMake 3. C++11 compiler. (ROOT 6.26+ requires C++14.)

Podd Documentation & Source Code

JLab Redmine



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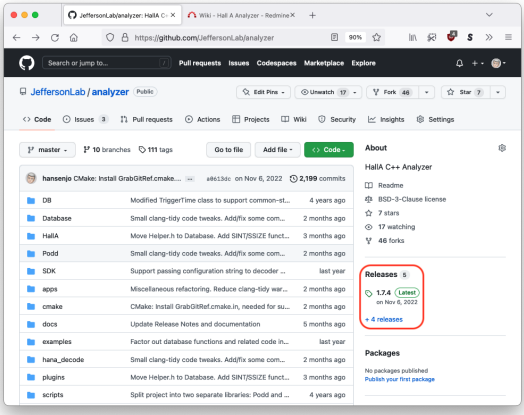
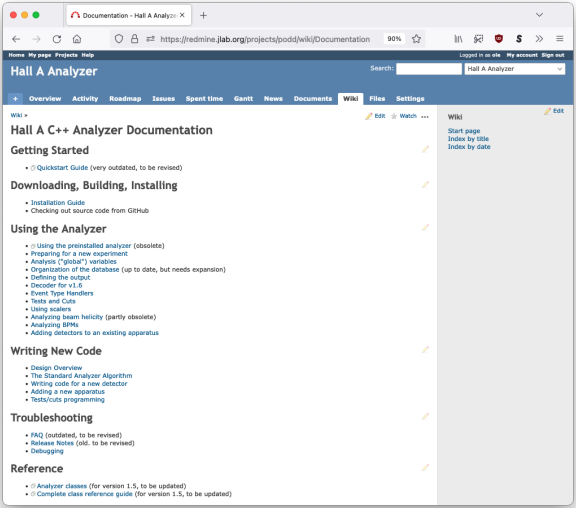
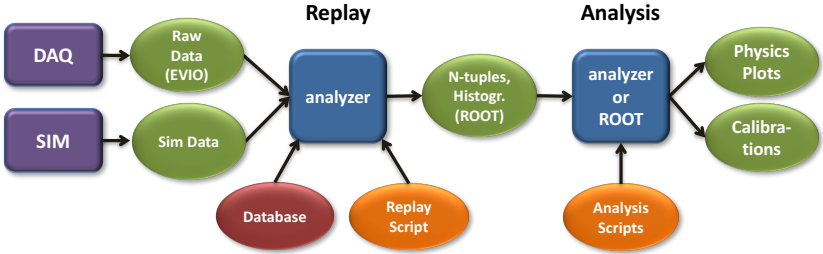


Podd Documentation



- Some sections outdated/obsolete.
- Newer features not yet documented.
- A User's Guide and a formal publication would be nice.

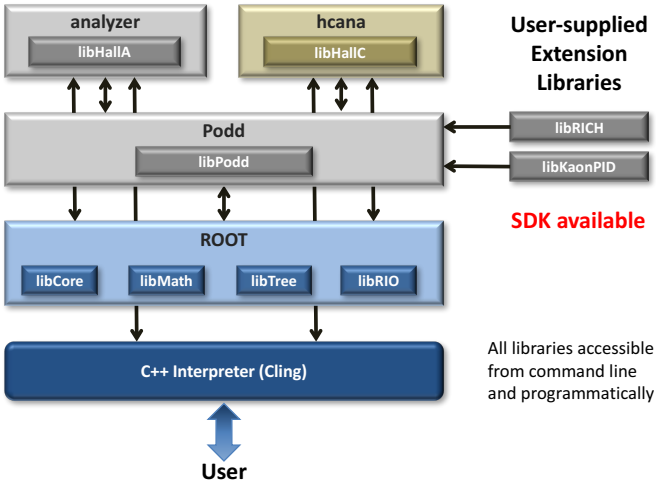
Reconstruction & Analysis Workflow



1. **Reconstruction (Replay)**
   - Runs in ROOT interpreter (`analyzer` prompt)
   - Calls mostly Podd functions & classes
   - Scripts set up by experiment experts or advanced users
   - After setup, runs in mass replay on the farm
2. **Analysis**
   - Also runs in ROOT interpreter (`analyzer` prompt)
   - Calls mostly ROOT functions and classes (but may need Podd classes)
   - Done by everyone on the experiment
   - Calibration and final physics usually done here

Podd Modular Architecture

- User interface: ROOT prompt (C++ interpreter)
- All loaded libraries (ROOT, Podd, etc.) accessible from command prompt for scripting
- Extension libraries for experiment-specific code can be loaded dynamically
  - Software Development Kit (SDK) to get started
- Entire SBS software package implemented as such an extension



Hall A (and C) application software area

farm/ifarm (works in Counting House, too)

```
$ module use /group/halla/modulefiles
$ module avail
-------- /group/halla/modulefiles --------
analyzer/1.7.0          evio/5.3(default)       group.apps              python/3.11.0           root/6.26.08(default)
analyzer/1.7.4(default) evio/5.3_gcc48          hcana/0.96              root/6.22.06            sbs-offline/20211206
analyzer/1.7.4_dbg      gcc/12.2.0              panguin/20211124        root/6.26.06
...
$ module load analyzer
$ analyzer --version
Podd 1.7.4 git@Release-174-0-ga0613dca 6 Nov 2022
Built for CentOS-7 using gcc-12.2.0, ROOT 6.26/08
```

Counting House (local installation, faster, safer)

```
$ module use /adaqfs/apps/modulefiles
$ module load analyzer
$ analyzer --version
Podd 1.7.4 git@Release-174-0-ga0613dca 6 Nov 2022
Built for CentOS-7 using gcc-4.8.5, ROOT 6.24/06
```

The SDK is located in `$ANALYZER_SDK`

Podd Status & Roadmap

- Current release: 1.7.4 (6 Nov 2022)
  - Base software for SBS experiments and current Hall C `hcana`.
  - Source-level backwards compatible (mostly). Suitable for replaying older data as well.
  - Many speed improvements, CODA 3 support, etc. (see Release Notes)
- Additions in 2022 (1.7.1 – 1.7.4)
  - CODA 3 trigger supervisor bank decoder. Gives access to trigger bits etc.
  - Decoder for DAQ configuration events (event types 137/138)
  - `MultiFileRun` class. Supports transparent input from multiple run segments and event streams.
- The Next Generation: 2.0 ("real soon now", hopefully this summer)
  - Multithreading!
  - Will benefit SBS and Hall C, primarily for online replay
  - Requires `C++17` (e.g. `gcc 9+`, available on `ifarm`)
  - Existing code will need minor modifications

MultiFileRun Demonstration

multi_run_test.C (simplified)

```
#include "MultiFileRun.h"

auto run = make_unique<Podd::MultiFileRun>("e1209016_1455.evio.?.*");
run->SetDataRequired(THaRunBase::kDate);
auto st = run->Init();
st = run->Open();
run->Print();
cout << "CODA version " << run->GetDataVersion() << endl;
for( int i = 1; i <= 100; ++i ) {
    st = run->ReadEvent();
    cout << i                              // Event counter
         << " "  << run->GetStream()       // Stream index
         << "."  << run->GetSegment()      // File segment
         << ": " << evbuf[0] << " ";       // Event length
    ...
}
st = run->Close();
```

MultiFileRun Demo Output

MultiFileRun Output

```
$ ls
e1209016_1455.evio.0.0  e1209016_1455.evio.1.0
e1209016_1455.evio.2.0
$ analyzer -l -b -q multi_run_test.C
Processing multi_run_test.C...
MultiFileRun: 3 files, 3 streams
Prestart at 1
DAQ info at 2
...
DAQ info at 12
Prestart at 14
Prestart at 17
File name (wildcards):   e1209016_1455.evio.?.*
Stream 0:
e1209016_1455.evio.0.0
Stream 1:
e1209016_1455.evio.1.0
Stream 2:
e1209016_1455.evio.2.0
CODA version 3
...
```

Output (cont.)

```
Count, stream.segment, length, tag, physics event, comment
1  0.0:      4 ffd1         Prestart
2  0.0: 816880  137         DAQ info
3  0.0: 804495  137         DAQ info
4  0.0: 540177  137         DAQ info
5  0.0:      4 ffd2         Go
6  0.0:    224  137         DAQ info
7  0.0:   2598  137         DAQ info
8  0.0:   3095  137         DAQ info
9  0.0:   1750  137         DAQ info
10 0.0:   1916  137         DAQ info
11 0.0:   3078  137         DAQ info
12 0.0:   1996  137         DAQ info
13 0.0:  54249 ff70    1    Physics
14 1.0:      4 ffd1         Prestart
15 1.0:      4 ffd2         Go
16 1.0:  20084 ff70    2    Physics
17 2.0:      4 ffd1         Prestart
18 2.0:      4 ffd2         Go
19 2.0:  17687 ff70    3    Physics
20 0.0:  17520 ff70    4    Physics
21 1.0:  19286 ff70    5    Physics
22 2.0:  19857 ff70    6    Physics
...
```

Podd 2.0

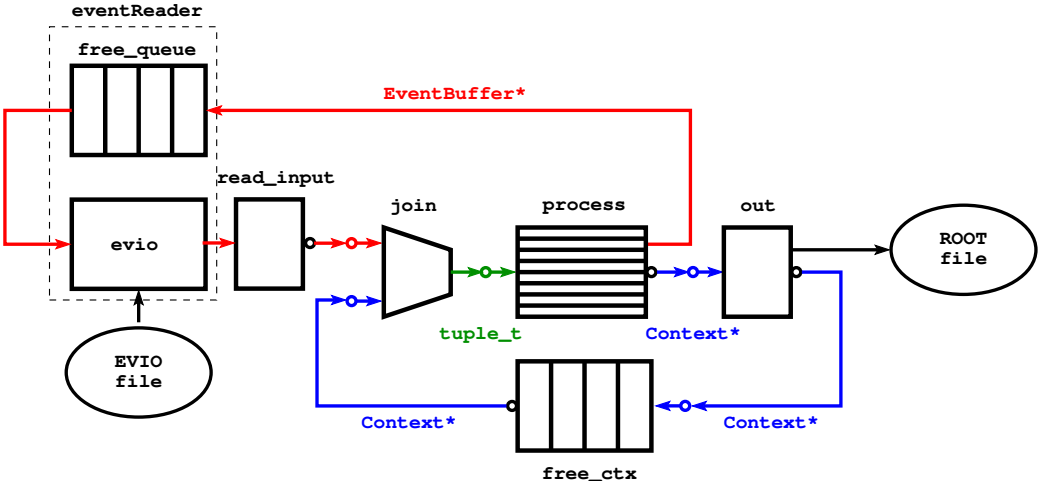
- Event-level parallelization/multithreading
  - Especially important for online replay
  - Reduced memory footprint compared to multiple individual jobs
  - Requires thread safe user code ($\rightarrow$ only const or protected globals, statics)
- I/O improvements
  - Output system upgrade (full set of data types, object variables) — largely complete
  - EVIO 6 input format support (HIPO-like raw data files) — once EVIO 6 stable
  - Possible alternative (non-ROOT) output file formats
  - Goal: Make output easily usable with Python and Julia tools (*e.g.* `uproot`, `UnROOT`)

Goal: Multithreading & output data typing ready for SBS-GEp and Hall C NPS run

Parallel Podd Prototype

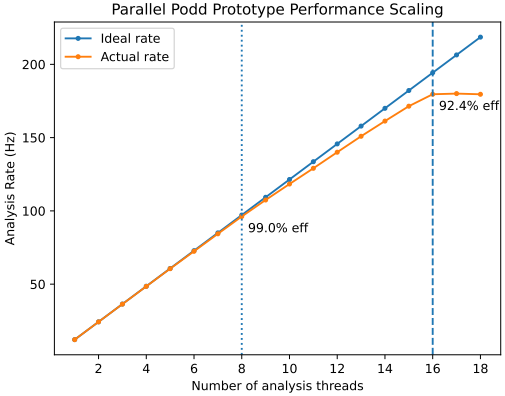
- `https://github.com/hansenjo/parallel`
- Mimics main components of Podd (*e.g.* decoder, analysis variables, output)
- A few example "detectors" included whose processing is intended to burn CPU cycles
- Uses oneAPI TBB library (formerly Intel Thread Building Blocks)
- Three processing modes:
  1. Unordered — event numbers may not be consecutive in output
  2. Ordered — consecutive event numbers guaranteed
  3. Barriers — events guaranteed to stay between special barrier events (*e.g.* scalers)
- Output serialized for now (hard to avoid because of ROOT) — potential bottleneck

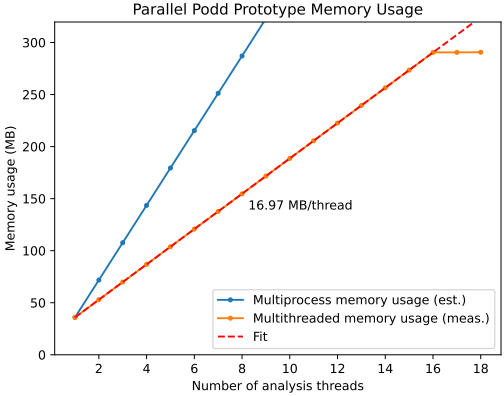
TBB-based Parallel Podd — Unordered Mode Flow Graph



TBB-based Parallel Podd Performance Scaling Benchmark

- Unordered mode. (Other modes are naturally less performant.)
- Processing rate and real memory usage (resident set size) as function of number of analysis threads.
- Test system: Intel i7-10700K (8C/16T) @ 3.80 GHz, 32 GB RAM, macOS 11, idle.
- 16 MB per-thread event buffer size for illustration purposes.





Panguin (Online GUI)

Panguin 2.5 Command Line Options

```
$ panguin --version
Panguin version 2.5 (23-Oct-2022)
$ panguin --help
panguin: configurable ROOT data visualization tool
Usage: panguin [OPTIONS]

Options:
-h,--help                    Print this help message and exit
-f,--config-file <file name> [default.cfg] Job configuration file
-r,--run <run number>        Run number
-R,--root-file <file name>   ROOT file to process
-G,--goldenroot-file <file name> Reference ROOT file
-P,-b,--batch                No GUI. Save plots to summary file(s)
-E,--plot-format <fmt>       Plot format (pdf, png, jpg ...)
-C,--config-dir <path>       Search path for configuration files & macros
                             (":"-separated)
--root-dir <path>            ROOT files search path (":"-separated)
-O,--plots-dir <dir>         Output directory for summary plots
-I,--images                  Save individual plots as images (implies -P)
-F,--image-format <fmt>      Image file format (png, jpg ...)
-H,--images-dir <dir>        Output directory for individual images
                             (default: plots-dir)
-v,--verbosity <level>       Set verbosity level (>=0)
-V,--version                 Display program version information and exit
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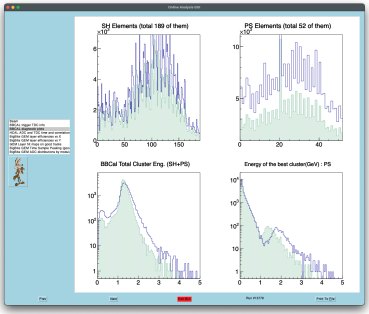


- New command line options for easier scripting
- Configuration files support `include`
- File names and directory paths expand environment variables and placeholders:

  $ROOTFILES/$EXPERIMENT_%R.root

  summaryPlots_%R_page%P_%C.%E
- See README.md for full documentation

Hall A Online Computing

- Previous: Online replay on 2014-vintage aonlX systems (128 threads)
- Due to system failure, have been down to 96 threads since September 2022.
- New server with additional 128 threads/512 GB RAM being configured (Rocky Linux 9), ready shortly

- This should meet online computing requirements through the MOLLER experimental run (2028/29).

```
[a-onl@aonl5 ~]# cat /etc/redhat-release
Rocky Linux release 9.1 (Blue Onyx)

[a-onl@aonl5 ~]# lscpu|head
Architecture:                    x86_64
CPU op-mode(s):                  32-bit, 64-bit
Address sizes:                   48 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
Byte Order:                      Little Endian
CPU(s):                          128
On-line CPU(s) list:             0-127
Vendor ID:                       AuthenticAMD
Model name:                      AMD EPYC 7543 32-Core Processor
Thread(s) per core:              2
Core(s) per socket:              32
Socket(s):                       2
Stepping:                        1
Frequency boost:                 enabled
CPU max MHz:                     2800.0000
CPU min MHz:                     1500.0000
BogoMIPS:                        5589.69

[a-onl@aonl5 ~]# free -h
               total        used        free      shared  buff/cache   available
Mem:           502Gi       7.6Gi       494Gi       156Mi       3.6Gi       495Gi
Swap:           63Gi          0B        63Gi
```

Scientific Computing Resources

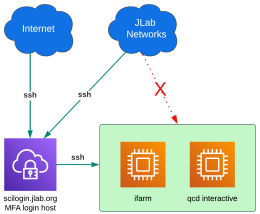
- Farm/ifarm still on CentOS 7.9. Rocky 8 (RHEL 8 clone) to be rolled out this year. Increasing containerization (Apptainer/Singularity) decreases importance of host OS.
- Farm batch system running new Slurm and `swif2` job scheduler. See the Farm Users Guide.
- Farm resources
  - Disk: Lustre: 4.1 PB, Work: 1.4 PB.
  - CPU: 13192 cores / 26384 threads $\approx$ 160 Skylake (2018) M-core-hours/year
  - New farm23 nodes being installed (AMD "Milan"). Will raise capacity to 240 Skylake M-core-hours/year
  - 6 nodes with Nvidia TitanRTX and/or A100 GPUs dedicated for ML ("gpu" partition)
- Mass storage system (as of Jan 2023)
  - Throughput $\approx$ 10 GB/s (24 LTO-8 drives, uncompressed, theoretical)
  - $\approx$ 150 PB capacity (LTO-8, uncompressed), $\approx$ 97.6 PB used (22.9 production, 28.1 raw, 27.6 rawdup).
  - Significant capacity headroom (more frames, LTO-9) with current silo, up to $\approx$ 325 PB.

Mandatory MFA Authentication Coming to Scientific Computing

- Starting **March 21, 2023**, ifarm/lqcd hosts will require login through a multi-factor authentication gateway, as with the hall computers.
- No rationale given
- Available gateways
  - `scilogin.jlab.org`
  - `acclogin.jlab.org`
  - `hallgw.jlab.org`
- See Knowledge Base article with suggestions for convenient SSH configuration

MFA For Scientific Computing

- March 21, 2023 – ssh using MFA gateway will be required
- Same model as hallgw for hall access
- scilogin.jlab.org VM pair being built
- Announcement email to users soon
- MFA credentials will be issued to all users with ifarm or qcdi access
- Supported MFA
  - Microsoft Authentication
  - Google Authenticator
  - MobilePass App
  - Yubikey hardware token



(Slide from Bryan Hess)

Outlook

- Podd expected to be used throughout the SBS program and for MOLLER counting mode measurements.
- Similarly, upcoming Hall C experiments (NPS etc.) will use Podd/hcana for the foreseeable future.
- Significant modernization work (multithreading etc.) ongoing.
- MOLLER integrating mode experiments will use existing "japan" (parity analyzer) software
- As we have many new collaborators, we may organize an analysis workshop later this year, likely together with Hall C.