

Hall A Analyzer Tutorial

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Brief Introduction

The Hall A C++ Analyzer (“Podd”)

- Class library on top of ROOT
- Analysis controlled via interpreted or compiled C++ scripts (using ROOT's CINT interpreter)
- Toolbox of analysis modules
- Special emphasis on modularity
 - ▶ “Everything is a plug-in”
 - ▶ External user libraries dynamically loadable at run time
 - ▶ User code separate from core code
 - ▶ No need for users to write more than the code really needed (hopefully)
 - ▶ Core analyzer suitable for fixed installation, like ROOT itself
- Predefined modules for generic analysis tasks and standard Hall A equipment
- SDK available for rapid development of new module libraries

Status

- Latest **stable version: 1.5.31** (8 Apr 2016) [▶ web](#)
 - ▶ Minor bugfixes
 - ▶ ROOT 6 compatibility
 - ▶ 1.5.x releases are **binary compatible**
- **Preview release** version 1.6-beta1 [▶ web](#)
 - ▶ Many new features (see next slides), not all fully implemented yet
 - ▶ Hope to finalize this spring for fall run
 - ▶ Preliminary Release Notes [▶ web](#)
- **Development version** 1.6.0-devel [▶ GitHub](#)
 - ▶ For experts (code may change at any time in incompatible ways)
 - ▶ To download, clone the repository with

```
git clone https://github.com/JeffersonLab/analyizer.git
```
 - ▶ Git “cheat sheet” available here [▶ web](#)

What's New in 1.6: Completed Items

- EVIO from external library ✓
 - ▶ Support for latest version (currently 4.4.6). Easy to update
 - ▶ If not installed, the analyzer build system will automatically download & install EVIO
- Modular decoder (Bob Michaels) ✓
 - ▶ Easy to add support for new front-end electronics via plug-in modules (drivers)
 - ▶ Processing of different event or trigger types configurable via “event type handler” plug-ins
 - ▶ Preliminary support for **12 GeV pipelined electronics modules** (FADC250, F1TDC, etc.)
 - ▶ Detailed documentation: [▶ web](#)
- Miscellaneous ✓
 - ▶ Improved formula & test package (removed limitations)
 - ▶ Simulation event data decoder API and example implementation
 - ▶ scons build system
 - ▶ Rewritten, modular hardware channel decoder (THaDecData)
 - ▶ Many small code improvements

What's New in 1.6: Work In Progress

- Universal database interface 
 - ▶ All analysis modules now use this interface
 - ▶ **Users must convert their existing databases.** Conversion utility program available (90% finished)
 - ▶ May eventually support multiple backends (text files, SQL database, CCDB, etc.) Currently, backend for Hall A-style text files available.
- Improved VDC track reconstruction 
 - ▶ Known bugs fixed
 - ▶ Reconstruction of **multi-cluster events** should be greatly improved (to be demonstrated)
 - ▶ Still needs careful testing. Testers welcome
 - ▶ Old code will remain available as an alternative tracking algorithm

Resources

- Web site (not a Wiki) [▶ home page](#)
- Mailing list (new): halla_software@jlab.org
Subscribe on [▶ mailman](#)
- Bi-weekly Hall A/C software meeting: Tuesdays, 11am, L210A
- Bug tracker [▶ GitHub](#)
- Analysis Workshop archive [▶ archive](#) (includes tutorials)

Next **Analysis Workshop**: Summer 2016 (in preparation for fall run)

Using the Analyzer

Analyzer Concepts: Analysis Objects

- Any module that produces “results”
- Every analysis object has **unique name**, e.g. **R.s1**
- Results stored in “**global variables**”, prefixed with the respective module’s name, e.g. **R.s1.nhits**
- **THaAnalysisObject** common base class:
 - ▶ Support functions for database access
 - ▶ Support functions for global variable handling
- Actual objects implement various virtual functions
 - ▶ **DefineVariables()**
 - ▶ **ReadDatabase()**
 - ▶ **Decode()**
 - ▶ etc.

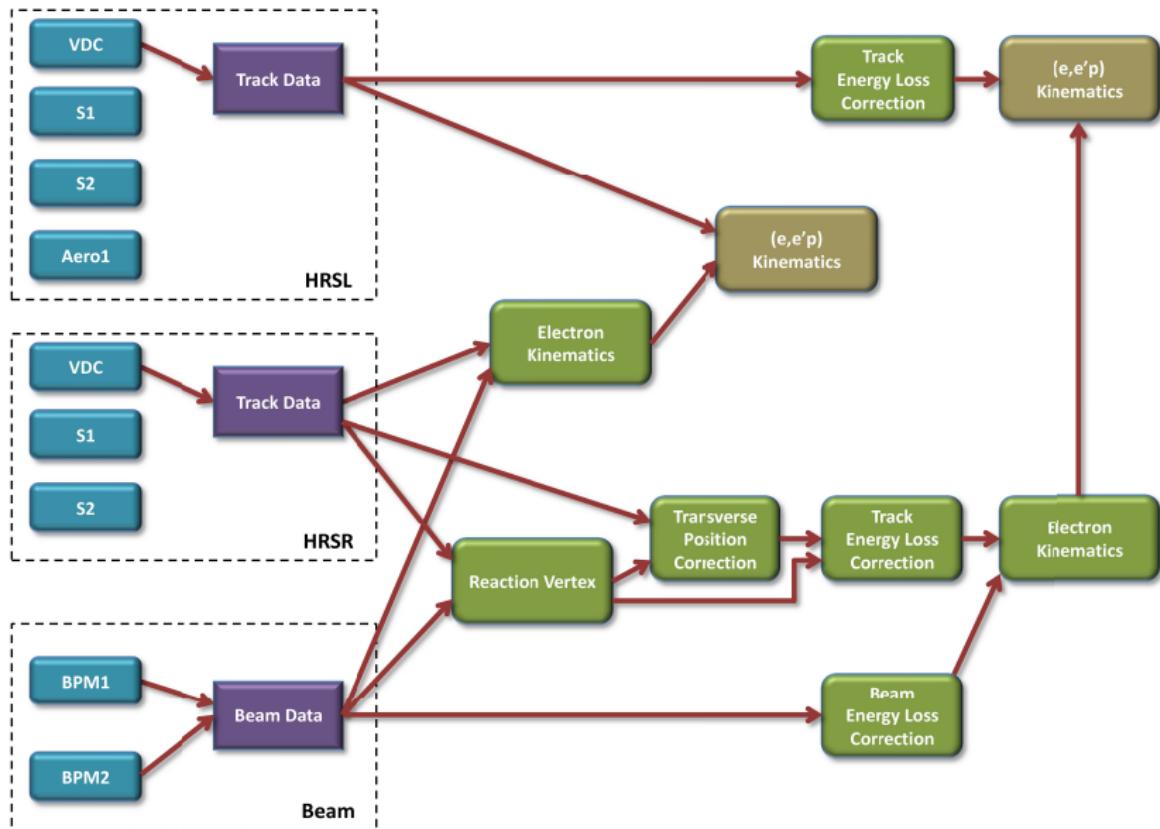
Types of Analysis Objects

- “Detector”
 - ▶ Code/data for analyzing a **type** of detector.
Examples: Scintillator, Cherenkov, VDC, BPM
 - ▶ Typically embedded in an Apparatus
- “Apparatus” / “Spectrometer”
 - ▶ Collection of Detectors
 - ▶ Combines data from detectors
 - ▶ “**Spectrometer**”: Apparatus with support for **tracks**
- “Physics Module”
 - ▶ Combines data from several apparatuses
 - ▶ Typical applications: **kinematics calculations, vertex finding, coincidence time extraction**
 - ▶ Toolbox design: Modules can be chained, combined, used as needed

Frequently Used Modules

- THaHRS (Spectrometer)
 - ▶ HRS spectrometer (includes VDC tracking detector)
 - ▶ Need to add other detector (scintillators, Cherenkovs, etc.) as needed
- THaIdealBeam (Apparatus)
 - ▶ Description of the incident beam
 - ▶ Constant position and direction (configurable)
 - ▶ Needed to compute vertex (reaction point), kinematics
 - ▶ More advanced: THaUnRasteredBeam, THaRasteredBeam
- THaElectronKine (PhysicsModule)
 - ▶ Single-arm electron kinematics (e, e')
 - ▶ “e” from beam apparatus, “ e' ” from one spectrometer
- THaGoldenTrack (Physics Module)
 - ▶ Picks out the “golden track” from a spectrometer’s track array
 - ▶ Definition depends on spectrometer
 - ▶ THaHRS has two definitions, selectable with SetTrSorting()

A (complex) Module Configuration Example



Tutorial

Getting The Software

- ① Set up **ROOT**
- ② Download the **analyzer source code**
- ③ Unpack and **build**
- ④ To install, simply **set environment variables**

Setting Up The Software on JLab CUE

```
ifarm1102> source /apps/root/PRO/setroot_CUE
ifarm1102> curl -O http://hallaweb.jlab.org/podd/download/analyzer-1.6.0-beta1.tar.xz
ifarm1102> tar xf analyzer-1.6.0-beta1.tar.xz
ifarm1102> cd analyzer-1.6.0
ifarm1102> make -j4
ifarm1102> setenv PATH ${PWD}: ${PATH}
ifarm1102> setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH ${PWD}: ${LD_LIBRARY_PATH}
ifarm1102> analyzer
analyzer [0]
```

More details on the web [▶ docs](#)

Things You'll Need

① Replay script

- ▶ Defines detectors/apparatuses to be analyzed, kinematics, calculations to be done, file locations, tree variable names etc.
- ▶ Many examples available from previous experiments
- ▶ Simple or fancy [▶ fancy example](#). Try to start out simple
- ▶ May be compiled

② Set of database files

- ▶ Usually one file per detector, db_<name>.dat
- ▶ Run database, db_run.dat, defines beam energy, spectrometer angles
- ▶ db_cratemap.dat and scaler.map, define decoder parameters
→ get these files from DAQ expert

③ Output definition file

- ▶ Defines which variables to write to the tree in the output ROOT file

④ Raw data (CODA file)

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More complex code usually needed to deal with file locations & split runs

Example Database

```
[ tutorial ]$ ls -FR DB
DB:
20120306/ db_cratemap.dat db_run.dat scaler.map

DB/20120306:
db_L.s1.dat db_L.s2.dat db_L.vdc.dat
```

- Recommended to set **DB_DIR** to point to top-level database directory
- Database files in **current directory** always take precedence
- Usually only detectors require databases (for the detector map). Physics modules sometimes read the run database (for masses, angles)
- Contents of files depends on corresponding module. (Will switch to consistent **key/value format** with version 1.6)
- Documentation on the web [► docs](#)
- Hall C modules use Hall C-style parameter files

Example Output Definition File

```
# All variables from the GoldenTrack module
block L.gold.*

# Calculated quantities for inclusive electron scattering measured
# by the LHRS, from the ElectronKine physics module
block L.ekine.*

# All LHRS track data (focal plane as well as reconstructed to target)
block L.tr.*
```

- Much more possible
 - ▶ Arithmetic expressions
 - ▶ Using/defining cuts
 - ▶ 1D and 2D histograms
 - ▶ EPICS variables
 - ▶ Scalers
- Full documentation on the web [▶ docs](#) (Bob Michaels)

FAQ: Help! Where Do I Find Those Variable Names?

Options:

- Inspect each module's **DefineVariables** function
- **Init()** analyzer (instead of **Process()**), then print variable list.
May use **wildcards** to select subsets.

Variable List Printout (from tutorial, see later)

```
analyzer [0] .x init.C
analyzer [1] gHaVars->Print("", "L.ekine.*")
Collection name='THaVarList', class='THaVarList', size=203
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.Q2 4-momentum transfer squared (GeV^2)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.omega Energy transfer (GeV)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.W2 Invariant mass of recoil system (GeV^2)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.x_bj Bjorken x
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.angle Scattering angle (rad)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.epsilon Virtual photon polarization factor
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.q3m Magnitude of 3-momentum transfer
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.th_q Theta of 3-momentum vector (rad)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.ph_q Phi of 3-momentum vector (rad)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.nu Energy transfer (GeV)
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.q_x x-cmp of Photon vector in the lab
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.q_y y-cmp of Photon vector in the lab
OBJ: THaVar L.ekine.q_z z-cmp of Photon vector in the lab
...
```

Other Useful Things You Might Need

① Cut/test definition file

- ▶ Defines logical tests to be evaluated at various analysis stages
- ▶ Special “master” tests at each stage can be used as cuts to reject certain events

② Environment setup script

- ▶ Shell script to set up environment variables for replay

③ Calibration scripts

- ▶ Special replay scripts
- ▶ Some standardized (VDC time offsets), mostly experiment-specific
- ▶ This is where the real work begins

④ Disk space!

- ▶ Output ROOT files tend to be big, and numerous
- ▶ Do not write production output to a home directory!

⑤ Software Development Kit

- ▶ Skeleton classes for rapid development of your own code
- ▶ Largely self-documenting [▶ download](#)

Software Development Kit (SDK) Examples I

Example Physics Module Process() Function (simplified)

```
Int_t THaPrimaryKine::Process( const THaEvData& )
{
    // Calculate electron kinematics for the Golden Track of the given spectrometer

    // 4-momenta of incident & outgoing particle & target
    // NB: fP0 etc. are TLorentzVector objects

    fP0.SetVectM( fBeam->GetBeamInfo()->GetPvect(),      fM ); // e
    fP1.SetVectM( fSpectro->GetTrackInfo()->GetPvect(), fM ); // e'
    fA.SetXYZM( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, fMA );                         // Target at rest

    // Textbook single-arm kinematics
    fQ        = fP0 - fP1;
    fQ2       = -fQ.M2();
    fQ3mag    = fQ.P();
    fOmega    = fQ.E();
    fA1       = fA + fQ;
    fW2       = fA1.M2();
    fTheta    = fP0.Angle( fP1.Vect() );
    fEpsilon  = 1.0 / ( 1.0 + 2.0*fQ3mag*fQ3mag/fQ2 *
                        TMath::Power( TMath::Tan(fTheta/2.0), 2.0 ) );
    fThetaQ   = fQ.Theta();
    fPhiQ     = fQ.Phi();

    fDataValid = true;
    return 0;
}
```

Software Development Kit (SDK) Examples II

Example DefineVariables() Function

```
Int_t THaPrimaryKine::DefineVariables( EMode mode ) {
    // Define/delete global variables.
    if( mode == kDefine && fIsSetup ) return kOK;
    fIsSetup = ( mode == kDefine );

    RVarDef vars[] = {
        { "Q2",           "4-momentum transfer squared (GeV^2)",      "fQ2" },
        { "omega",         "Energy transfer (GeV)",                  "fOmega" },
        { "W2",            "Invariant mass of recoil system (GeV^2)", "fW2" },
        { "angle",          "Scattering angle (rad)",                 "fTheta" },
        { "epsilon",        "Virtual photon polarization factor",   "fEpsilon" },
        { "q3m",            "Magnitude of 3-momentum transfer",     "fQ3mag" },
        { "th_q",           "Theta of 3-momentum vector (rad)",      "fThetaQ" },
        { "ph_q",            "Phi of 3-momentum vector (rad)",       "fPhiQ" },
        { "nu",              "Energy transfer (GeV)",                "fOmega" },
        { "q_x",             "x-cmp of Photon vector in the lab", "fQ.X()" },
        { "q_y",             "y-cmp of Photon vector in the lab", "fQ.Y()" },
        { "q_z",             "z-cmp of Photon vector in the lab", "fQ.Z()" },
        { 0 }
    };
    return DefineVarsFromList( vars, mode );
}
```

Software Development Kit (SDK) Examples III

Example ReadDatabase() Function (simplified)

```
Int_t THaADCHelicity::ReadDatabase( const TDatime& date )
{
    Int_t err = THaHelicityDet::ReadDatabase( date );
    if( err ) return kInitError; // these error checks omitted below

    FILE* file = OpenFile( date );

    vector<Int_t> heldef;
    fThreshold = kDefaultThreshold;
    Int_t ignore_gate = -1;
    const DBRequest request[] = {
        { "helchan",      &heldef,      kIntV,   0, 0, -2 },
        { "threshold",    &fThreshold,  kDouble, 0, 1, -2 },
        { "ignore_gate",  &ignore_gate, kInt,    0, 1, -2 },
        { 0 }
    };
    err = LoadDB( file, date, request, fPrefix );
    fclose(file);

    // Do the all-important consistency checks!
    if( heldef.size() != 3 ) {
        Error( Here(here), "Incorrect definition of helicity data channel. Must be "
              "exactly 3 numbers (roc,slot,chan), found %d. Fix database.", heldef.size() );
        return kInitError;
    }
    // ...
    fIsInit = true;
    return kOK;
}
```

Old Fixed-Format Databases

Example Podd 1.5 scintillator database db_L.s1.dat

```
##### LEFT SCINTILLATOR PLANE 1 #####
Number of Left Scintillator 1 paddles -----
    16
Crate,Slot,1st,Last ADC chans,Beg S1 chan, model -----
    3      18      6        11      1     1881 - ADCs pads 1-6 (right)
    3      18      0        05      7     1881 - ADCs pads 7-12 (left)
    3      10      88       93      1     1877 - TDCs pads 1-6 (right)
    3      10      80       85      7     1877 - TDCs pads 7-12 (left)
   -1      0       0        0       0
X,Y,Z coords (in m) of S1 front plane in spectrom cs -----
  -0.129      0.0     1.2873          - Meters
Half of X, half of Y, full Z sizes (in m) of S1 -----
    0.88      0.18     0.005          - Meters
Rotation angle of the S1 plane -----
    0.0          - Degrees
TDC time offsets of S1 in TDC channels -----
    2.45  6.38  7.58  3.78 -13.25  3.75          - Left Paddles
   -14.13 -16.83 -0.40 -3.78 -22.70 -0.12          - Right Paddles
Pedestal values of S1 ADC channels -----
    343  327  330  324  405  410          - Left Paddles
    429  432  344  345  385  389          - Right Paddles
Amplitude transformation coefficients of S1 ADC channels -----
    1.093  0.960  1.082  1.215  1.102  1.116          - Left Paddles
    1.058  1.042  1.110  0.973  0.967  0.694          - Right Paddles
etc. ....
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New Free-Format Key-Value Databases

Conversion: dbconvert DB-old/ DB-new/

```
----[ 2015-03-24 00:00:00 -0400 ]
```

```
L.s1.detmap =
    3     18      6     11      1   1881
    3     18      0      5      7   1881
    3     10     88     93      1   1877
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L.s1.npaddles = 6
L.s1.position = -0.1290  0.0000  1.2873
L.s1.size = 0.88  0.18  0.01
L.s1.L.off = 2.45  6.38  7.58  3.78  -13.25  3.75
L.s1.R.off = -14.13  -16.83  -0.40  -3.78  -22.70  -0.12
L.s1.L.ped = 343  327  330  324  405  410
L.s1.R.ped = 429  432  344  345  385  389
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L.s1.attenuation = 0.7
L.s1.Cn = 1.49859e+08
L.s1.MIP = 1e+10
L.s1.tdc.res = 5e-10
L.s1.timewalk_params =
    0  0  0  0  0  0
    0  0  0  0  0  0
L.s1.retiming_offsets = 0  0  0  0  0  0
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Using The Tutorial Files

Example GMp optics replay setup [▶ download](#)

Setting Up And Running the Tutorial on JLab CUE

```
ifarm> source /apps/root/PRO/setroot_CUE
ifarm> wget http://hallaweb.jlab.org/podd/download/tutorial-apr16.tar.gz
ifarm> tar xf tutorial-apr16.tar.gz
ifarm> cd Podd_Tutorial
ifarm> tar xf analyzer-1.6.0-beta1.tar.xz
ifarm> cd analyzer-1.6.0
ifarm> make -j4
ifarm> cd ..
ifarm> source setup.csh
ifarm> ln -s /work/halla/gmp12/ole/raw data
ifarm> ln -s /volatile/halla/<experiment>/<user> rootfiles
ifarm> cd replay
ifarm> analyzer
analyzer [0] .x replay.C
analyzer [1] .x plot.C
```

See the included README file for more info