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PPA Scientific Computing Apps

LAT was launched as part of the Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope on June 11<sup>th</sup> 2008.

**HEP Meets Astrophysics** 

# Philosophy

- Reuse code from the community where possible. CLHEP, Geant4, ROOT, FITS, Gaudi, Xerces, MySQL
- Custom code is made non-Fermi specific when feasible.
- One central (SLAC) CVS repository
- Code Documentation via Doxygen
- User cookbook became our online workbook
- Flexibility runtime customization
- ONE code system for simulation, test data analysis and flight
- Test, Test, Test, before flight Reviews (PDR, CDR), balloon flight, multiple test beam instruments, data challenges
- Validation via system tests
- Support both Linux and Windows



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Welcome to the LAT User

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goes down, (See Alternate Mailing I

Workbook.

LAT User Workbook

New to the collaboration? If you have recently joined the collaboration and are

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1 ) First take a look at some of the Fermi Links

familiarize yourself with our mission, history,

wondering how best to get started:

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### Automated Builds via RM

### **Developer GUI: GoGui**

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#### **GUI** Installer

# Offline Software

### GlastRelease

- C++ Monte Carlo (Geant4) simulation with data-driven geometry and reconstruction software
- Gaudi framework
- Output file format: ROOT
- Utilized as part of the data processing pipeline.
- Builds via CMT RHEL4-32/gcc 3.4 Windows/VC++ 7.1
- Wired Event Display



### **ScienceTools**

- All software related to scientific analysis of Fermi LAT data
- Written in C++ with python interfaces via swig
- Most is publicly available through the Fermi Science Support Center (GSFC)
- Builds via SCons RHEL4-32/RHEL4-64/gcc3.4 RHEL5-32/RHEL5-64/gcc4.1 Snow Leopard gcc 4.2 Windows/VC++9
- Obeys HEASARC/OGIP standards which implies FITS files and use of parfiles to provide user input.





- By 1999 (pre-proposal) we had plenty of code: detailed Monte Carlo & prototype reconstruction with ASCII ntuple output.
- Gaudi provided a framework for our code
  - Clear lines of division
  - Separation of data from algorithms
  - Standard interfaces for algorithms
- Basic Services:
  - Event loop, Logging
  - Transient Data Store (TDS)
  - Job options, where input ASCII file contains job parameters
- We utilize the core functions of Gaudi
- Gaudi and G4 can play nice, despite that both want to control event loop. We usurp G4's RunManager and instead use our custom interface to G4 to request one event at a time.
- Using Gaudi led us to CMT.
- http://proj-gaudi.web.cern.ch/proj-gaudi/



- ROOT provided more robust file format which could accommodate storage of MC data, as well as digitization and full reconstruction, as well as ntuples.
- Object Oriented I/O fit our OO design
- 5 star support ★★★★★
- Python interface (PyROOT)
- ROOT has grown substantially since we adopted it. Fortunately, it has remained modular.
- Certainly a learning curve for those wanting publication quality plots.
- http://root.cern.ch

# Challenges

- Changing build systems (CMT -> SCons)
- Maintaining multiple branches of MC/recon in CVS This is also a plus, in that L1 processing is shielded.
- Aging externals and the need to push ahead to modern versions of compilers and operating systems (OBF, Gaudi...)
- Brain Drain

## Successes

- Testing before flight paid off
- Early start provided ample time to write code and refactor
- Technical Writer produced Online Workbook
- Use of HepRep as our interface to Event Display
- Distributed, diverse group works well together Instant messaging, EVO, yearly face-to-face meetings In 2005, we had 25 developers spread over 9 time zones.