

The BM@N experiment online data processing and QA system

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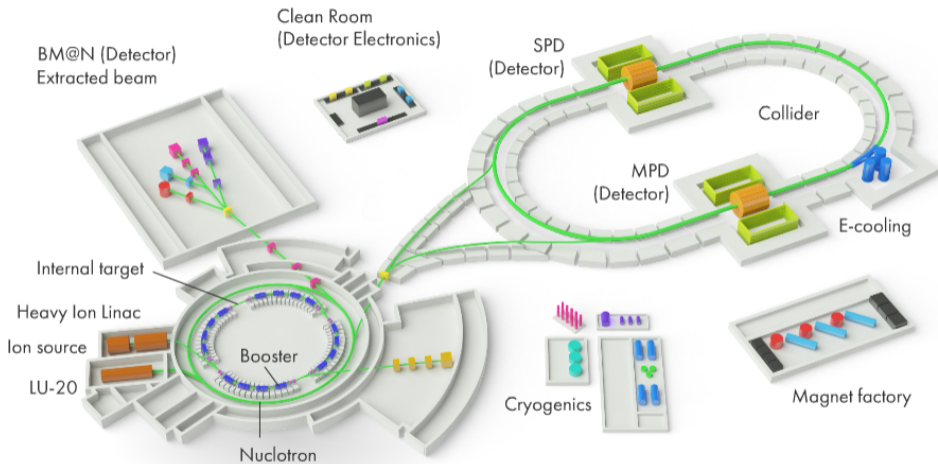
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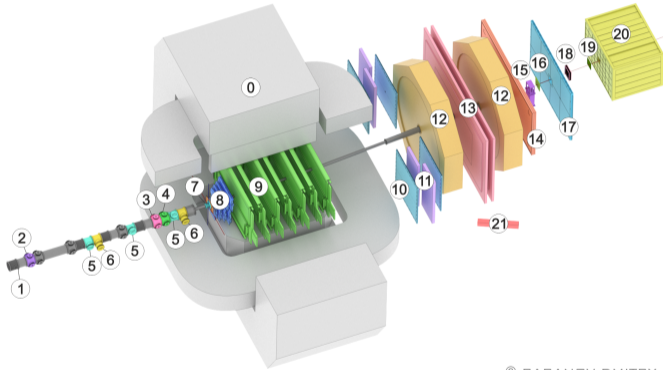
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Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron



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- Magnet SP-41 (0)
- Vacuum Beam Pipe (1)
- BC1, VC, BC2 (2-4)
- SiBT, SiProf (5, 6)
- Triggers: BD + SiMD (7)
- FSD, GEM (8, 9)
- CSC 1x1 m² (10)
- TOF 400 (11)
- DCH (12)
- TOF 700 (13)
- ScWall (14)
- FD (15)
- Small GEM (16)
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BM@N Framework BMNROOT

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BmnRoot Framework
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BM@N experiment home web-page:

<https://bmn.jinr.ru>

- ▶ News
- ▶ Software repositories
- ▶ Software tests
- ▶ Forums
- ▶ Database for physics run
- ▶ E.t.c.

Benefits:

- ▶ Inherits basic properties from FairRoot (<https://fairroot.gsi.de/>), C++ classes
- ▶ Detector composition and geometry; particle propagation by GEANT3/4
- ▶ Advanced detector response functions, realistic tracking and PID included
- ▶ Event display for Monte-Carlo and experimental data
- ▶ QA system

BmnROOT repository

<https://git.jinr.ru/nica/bmnroot>

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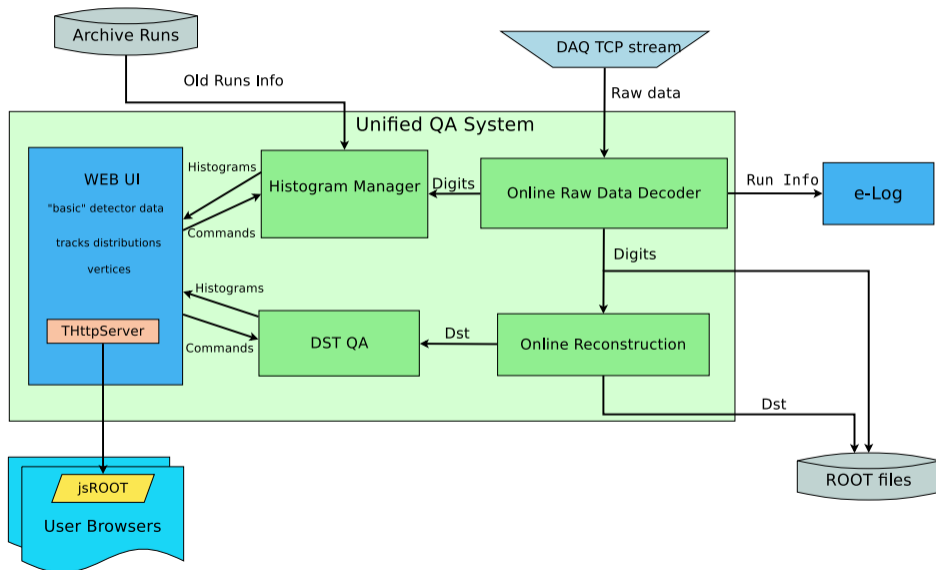
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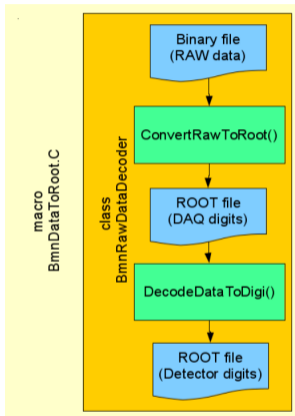
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Decoding scheme (currently under refactoring)



First step (Data Converter):

- ▶ Read a **binary data file** with RAW-data.
- ▶ Parse the data blocks: `run/spill/event/module`.
- ▶ Create «**DAQ-digits**» (ADC, TDC, TQDC, HRB, TTVXS, etc.) accordingly **DAQ-data-format** and write them into a tree.

Second step (Data Decoder):

- ▶ Read **detector mappings** (channel-to-strip) from the **Unified Database**
- ▶ Calculate **pedestals** and **common modes** of channels
- ▶ Clear **noisy** channels
- ▶ Decode **DAQ-digits** into **detector-digits** (`BmnGemDigit`, `BmnTofDigit`, etc.)
- ▶ Write the tree with **detector-digits** to a ROOT-file

Basic QA frontend with hardcoded histograms

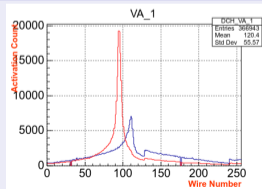
Implementation details:

- ◇ The data processed and transferred from the previous stage is used to fill ROOT histograms. Which in turn are sent to the end users via http.
- ◇ CERN jsROOT library is used to transform the ROOT object to the html histograms.
- ◇ Base class for histogram sets BmnHist is used in:
 - ▷ BmnHistTrigger
 - ▷ BmnHistGem
 - ▷ BmnHistToF
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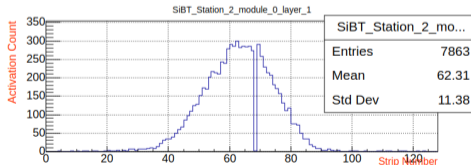
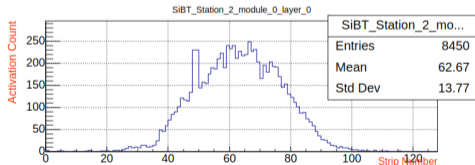
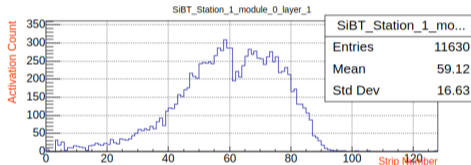
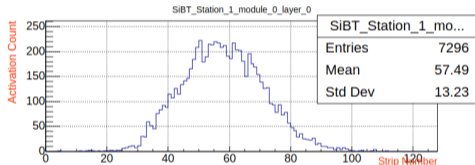
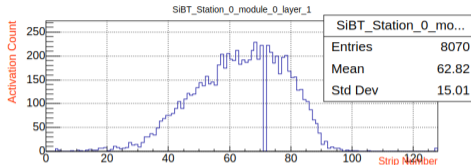
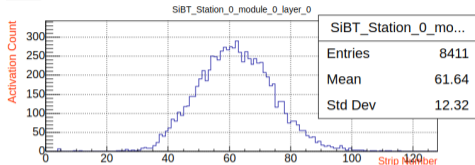
Thus addition of the new detector histogram set is rather simple.

Reference run:

- ✓ Ref run imposition
- ✓ Autoselection of similar runs



Live example of SiBT digits online decoding

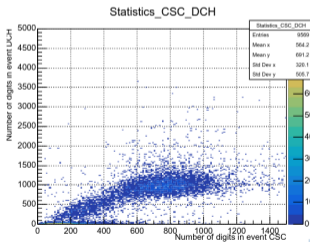
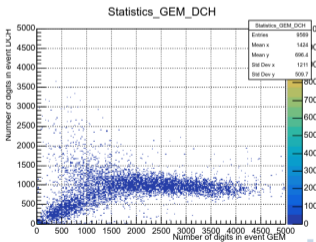
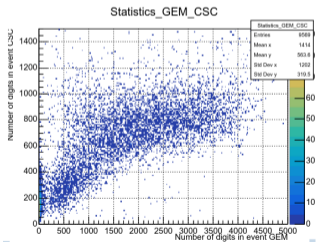
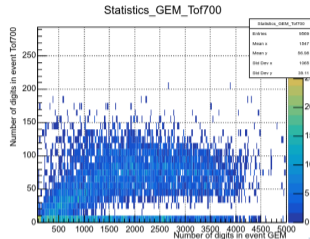
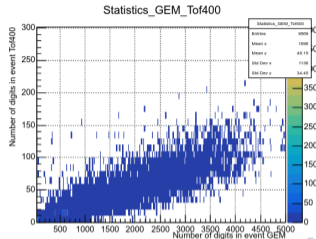
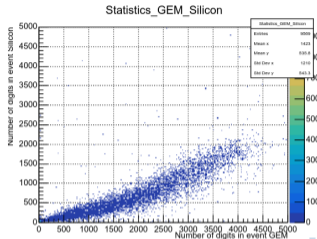


There were some problems with local channel maps at the beginning of the Xe run.

Live example of detectors correlation

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Existing alternative online processing frameworks

- TDAQ (ATLAS)
 - tightly integrated with other ATLAS software
 - thus it is rather difficult to deploy in other program environment
- FairMQ (GSI FAIR) [work in progress: I.Romanov, K.Gertsenberger](#)
 - seems to be quite flexible in deployment and settings (with DDS as an option)
 - but requires additional wrapper code
 - seems not to work in an interactive ROOT macros

FairRoot way of analysis via FairTask's (Extensively being used in the BmnRoot)

- FairRunAna - task manager class
- FairSource - abstract class for a data source
- FairSink - abstract class for a data destination manager

Typical analysis macro workflow:

- ▷ BmnFileSource/FairFileSource (input data file)
- ▷ Task1 (executed event-by-event)
- ▷ Task2
- ▷ Task3
- ▷ ...
- ▷ FairRootFileSink (output data file)

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Simplest way to move existing reconstruction code to online

Less code \rightarrow Less errors

ZMQ transfer classes for FairRunAna

- BmnMQSource - ZeroMQ SUB socket¹ based source class
- BmnMQSink - ZeroMQ PUB socket based sink class

Benefits

- No need to rewrite existing bmnroot analysis code. (No need to touch any working task)
- It became possible to combine several analysis macros by source/sink network interfaces

¹<https://zeromq.org>

BmnRoot QA structure

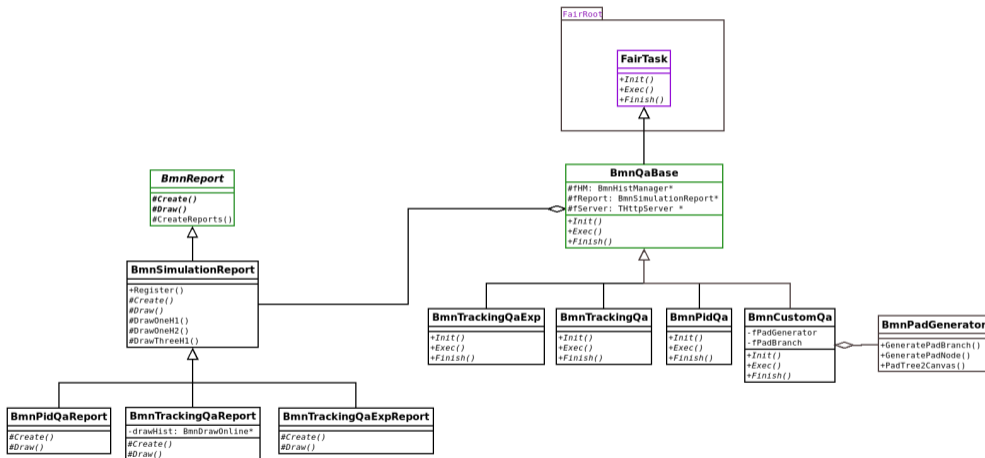


Figure: QA main classes (green ones were forked from CbmRoot)

Live example of SiBT hits online reconstruction (Xe+Csl 2023 Run)

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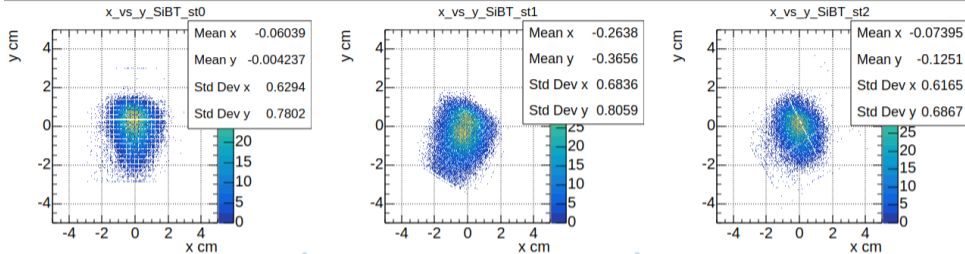
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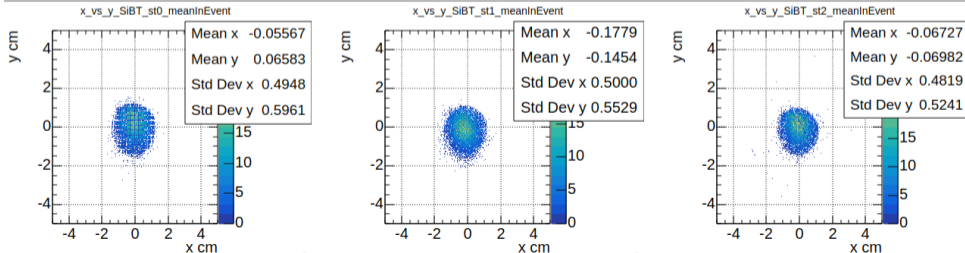
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All SiBT hits



Mean weighted (with signals in layers) SiBT Hits in Event

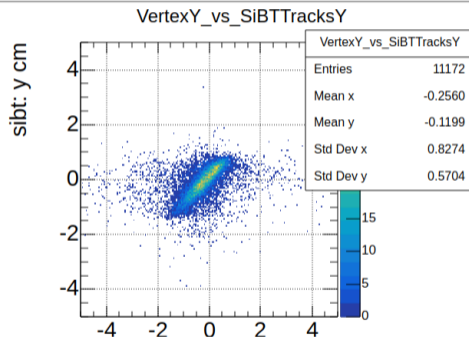
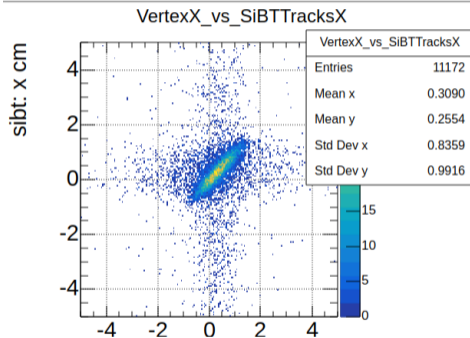


Live example of SiBT hits vs Vertex coordinates (Xe+CsI 2023 Run)

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SiBT tracks-Vertex correlation



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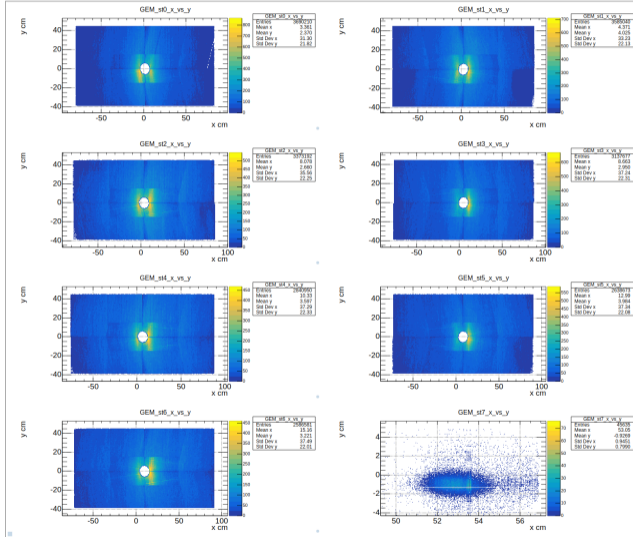
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Live example of GEM hits online reconstruction (Xe+CsI 2023 Run)

GEM Hits



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The noise channel detection logic should be reevaluated for strip detectors on the beam

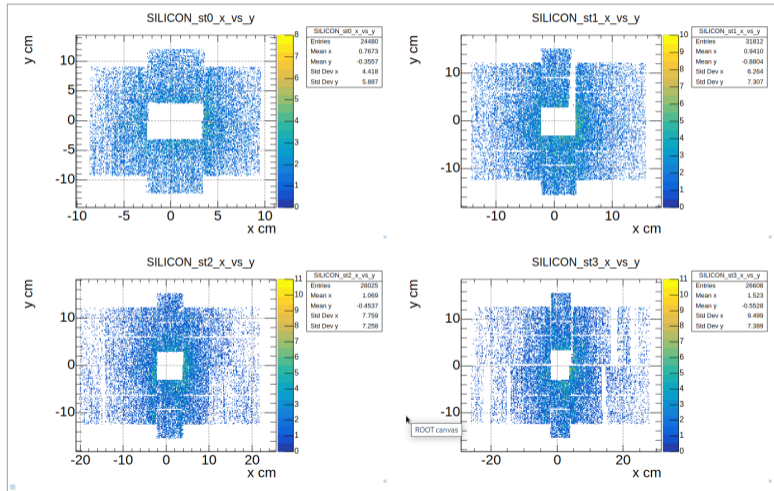


Live example of FSD hits online reconstruction (Xe+CsI 2023 Run)

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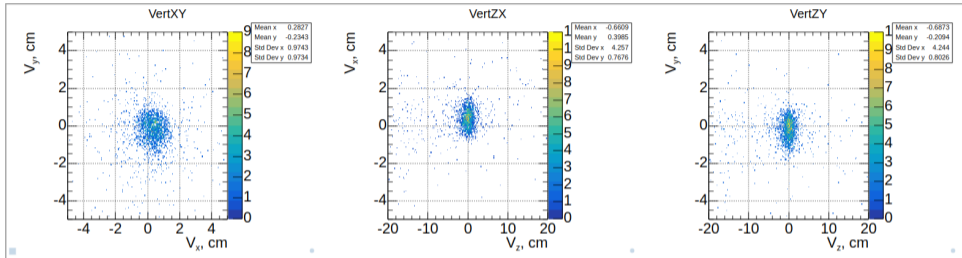
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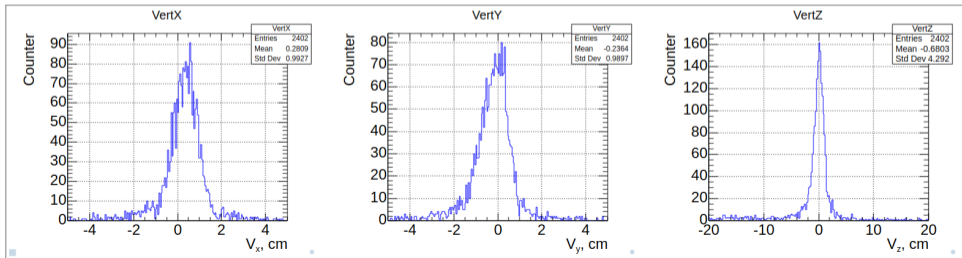
Live example of the primary vertex online reconstruction (Xe+CsI 2023 Run)

Vertex profile

Vertex profile 2D



Vertex profile 1D



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Custom «no code» histograms. Motivation

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BmnPadGenerator class - creates a pad structure in the canvas on the basis of json scheme.

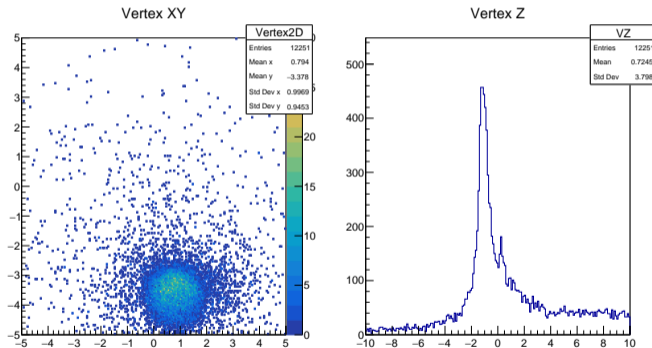
Test code example:

```
BmnPadGenerator *g = new BmnPadGenerator();
g->LoadPTFrom(fileName);
BmnPadBranch * br = g->GetPadBranch();
TCanvas* can = new TCanvas("canHits", "", 1920, 1080);
g->PadTree2Canvas(br, can);
BmnHist::DrawPadTree(br);
```

JSON scheme:

Canvas structure:

```
{
  "Name": "Custom canvas",
  "Title": "Custom Canvas",
  "DivX": "2",
  "DivY": "1",
  "Pads": [
    {
      "Class": "TH2F",
      "Name": "Vertex2D",
      "Title": "Vertex XY",
      "Variable": "BsnVertex.fY:BsnVertex.fX",
      "Selection": "(BsnVertex.fZ>-10 && BsnVertex.fZ<10)",
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      "Dimensions": [
        200,
        -5,
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        200,
        -5,
        5
      ]
    },
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      "Class": "TH1F",
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