

IPCC ROOT Princeton/Intel Parallel Computing Center

Progress Report

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- * An Intel Showcase Presentation Scheduled on 06.07.2017 at 17:00 CET
- * The prototype for thread-based parallel file merging in GeantV was rewritten. The new TBufferMerger and TBufferMergerFile classes were released in ROOT 6.10. This was part of our work plan for Q4:
 - * The ROOT team assessed the impact of the item and we rescheduled. The feature landed as a fruitful collaboration by IPCC-ROOT and the ROOT team
 - * The change of the plan won't affect the rest of the IPCC-ROOT deliverables
 - We expect to hear soon from CMS as they were eager to use it

- Enablement of VecCore ramped up the vectorization efforts in ROOT
 - We see more contributions in that area. For instance, <u>vectorized Chi2 and Unbinned likelihood</u>, <u>PoissonLogL</u>, and some more currently under review.

- * We got access to KNL and Xeon nodes in OpenLab. Thanks Luca!
 - We are benchmarking some of the vectorized code
 - We ran some benchmarks on ROOT's build system on KNL and found a few cmake issues. I suspect we have a bottleneck which might be able to go away
- * We have resurrected the ICC17 nightly builds of ROOT, fixing a few ICC-specific issues
- We have upgraded ROOT's vendor drop of LLVM in hope to get better code optimization at runtime
 - Now we can control the runtime optimization levels by specifying (.O <N>, where N [0-3])

- We've enabled some code modernization tools as part of ROOT's pull request review process
 - Some discussion about tool-aided code modernization is ramping up
 - CMS is discussing to adopt some of the solutions
- Misc
 - more...

Thank you!