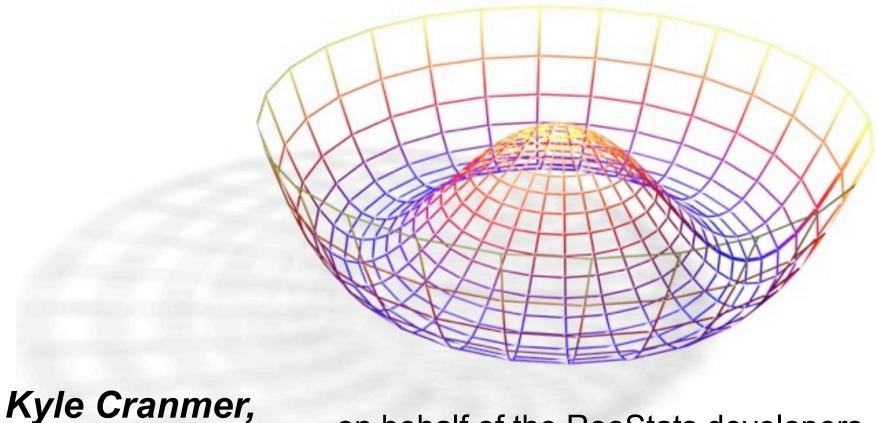


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# RooStats: high-level statistics tools in ROOT



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on behalf of the RooStats developers

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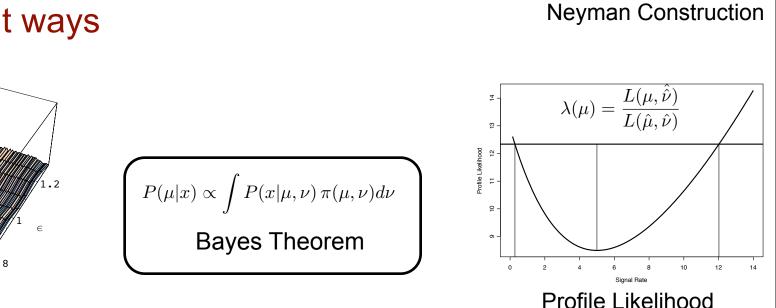
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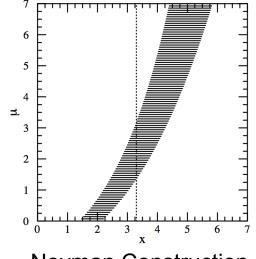
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## **One Model, Many Methods**

Essentially all statistical statements start with the basic probability density function  $P(x|\mu,\nu)$ 

- building a good model for the data is hard!
  - this is where we use our understanding of physics
- there are several valid statistical methods
  - different consumers of results want different things
- want to re-use same model for the data in many different ways





(MINUIT/MINOS)

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### Broadly speaking, we use statistical techniques for a few main purposes:

- Point estimation: what is the best estimate of a particular parameter
  - eg. measurement of the Z boson mass
- Confidence/Credible Intervals: regions representing an range of a parameter compatible with the data (made precise in different ways)
  - eg. 95% contours, upper-limits, lower-limits
- Hypothesis Testing: test hypothesis against one or more alternatives
  - eg. Discover the Higgs, Discover SUSY, reject standard model
- Goodness-of-fit: quantify how well a model describes the data
  - eg. check if standard model describes data without a specific alternative

In a broader context, there are related issues:

- Data reduction: how to reduce the raw data while loosing minimal information that is useful for our ultimate goal (multivariate analysis is important here)
- **Decision making:** how do we make decisions in the face of uncertainty
- Where does the role of an experimentalist end? How does this impact how we **publish** our results?

# Terminology



### **1.3** Terminology used in this guide

- model a probability density function that describes some observables. We use the term model for both parametric models (eg. a Gaussian is parametrized by a mean and standard deviation) and non-parametric models (eg. histograms or KEYS pdfs).
- observable(s) quantities that are directly measured by an experiment and present in a data set. The distribution of the observables are predicted by the model. Models are normalized such that the integral of the model over the observables is 1.
- auxiliary observable observables that come from an auxiliary experiment (eg. a control sample or a preceding experiment).
- parameter of interest quantities used to parametrize a model that are 'interesting' in the sense that one wishes to estimate their values, place limits on them, etc (eg. masses, cross-sections, and the like).
- nuisance parameter quantities used to parametrize a model that are uncertain but not 'interesting' in the above sense (eg. background normalization, shape parameters associated to systematic uncertainties, etc.)
- **control sample** a data set independent of the main measurement (defining auxiliary observables) often used to constrain nuisance parameters by simultaneous considering it together with the main measurement.

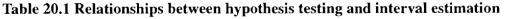
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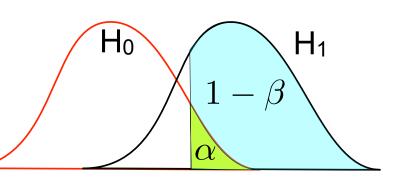
- test a null H<sub>0</sub> against alternate H<sub>1</sub>
- fix Type I error (rate we reject H<sub>0</sub> when it's true ) to pre-specified value α called the "size" of the test
- try to maximize "power" of test (1-Type II error rate =1  $\beta$  )

Frequentist Confidence intervals:

- find a region of parameter space compatible with the data in the following sense:
  - the interval should "cover" the true value with a pre-specified probability or "confidence" (eg. 95%)
  - the intervals are functions of the data, thus they are random and the true value is fixed but unknown (not interpreted as probability true value is in interval)



	Property of corresponding
Property of test	confidence interval
$Size = \alpha$	Confidence coefficient = $1 - \alpha$
Power = probability of rejecting a	Probability of not covering a false
false value of $\theta = 1 - \beta$	value of $\theta = 1 - \beta$
Most powerful	Uniformly most accurate
	$ \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{iased} \\ \beta \geq \alpha \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow \\ \text{Central interval} $





## **Quick review**



Start with a **model** for the data, eg. a probability density function for *x* written  $P(x|\mu,\nu)$  that is parametrized by

- parameters of interest:  $\mu: m_H, \sigma, ...$
- nuisance parameters:  $\nu: b, JES, \epsilon_b, ...$

The likelihood function is given by

$$L(\mu, \nu) = \prod_{i \in \text{events}} P(x_i | \mu, \nu)$$

I will often refer to the profile likelihood ratio:

$$\lambda(\mu) = \frac{L(\mu, \hat{\hat{\nu}})}{L(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu})}$$

Where  $\hat{\hat{\nu}}$  is the maximum likelihood estimator with  $\mu$  fixed

Remember,  $L(\mu, \nu)$  is not a probability.

Kyle Cranmer (NYU)

# Some History

### After PhyStat 2005, René Brun approached me to help organize the statistics tools in ROOT.

 in addition to the math libraries, MINUIT, and some fitting tools, ROOT also has several miscellaneous statistical tools like TLimit, TRolke, etc.

It was clear we were at the beginning of a large project, but we also didn't want to re-invent the wheel

 major question: do we base it on RooFit, originally developed at BaBar and used with great success for complex problems

After more than a year of thinking, discussions, & experimentation it became clear that RooFit:

- provided a powerful data modeling language for building complicated models
- supported Bayesian and Frequentist methods as well as the likelihood-based approaches it was primarily used for

Thus, RooStats can be summarized as providing high-level statistical tools based on core RooFit functionality (particularly PDF and dataset interfaces)

- Initial RooStats progress presented at 2007 ROOT workshop by Wouter and myself: primary development was the Workspace
- CMS Karlsruhe group developed several complementary tools well validated within CMS (ported to initial RooStats version in ROOT 5.22)

RooStats has been a topic of discussion in each of the ATLAS/CMS combined statistics meetings.

Bob Cousins helped setup RooStats steering committee

## **RooFit & RooStats**



**RooStats** provides tools for high-level statistics questions in ROOT

- it builds on **RooFit** which provides basic building blocks for statistical questions
- Today, I will start with an overview of RooFit and then move to RooStats ... tomorrow we will consider more advanced usage.

RooFit	
variables functions	
probability density functions	
binned & unbinned datasets	
fitting toyMC generation	
minimization integration	

RooStats		
hypothesis prior		
hypothesis tests		
confidence intervals (limits)		
combinations		
test statistic sampling distribution		

Note, excellent slides from Wouter Verkerke on RooFit at SoS '08 (I will borrow from them) <u>http://indico.in2p3.fr/materialDisplay.py?contribId=15&materialId=slides&confId=750</u>

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## **RooStats: Project info**

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BATBEA	The RooStats project has an oversight committee formed by the heads of t	he ATLAS and CMS statistics forums. Through several joint ATLAS-
CPP	CMS statistics meetings we have converged on a structure in which the over	ensight committee sets goals and priorities for tool development (at a
DCgroup /ricaMap	high level), adjudicates any conflicts that might arise, and helps find manpo four core developers:	wer if needed. The development of RooStats is open in nature, with
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liceTOF	<ul> <li>Lorenzo Moneta representing ROOT</li> <li>Wouter Verkerke representing RooFit (on which RooStats is based)</li> </ul>	
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### https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/RooStats/WebHome

### Release notes:

http://root.cern.ch/root/v524/Version524.news.html#roofit

### Code documentation:

http://root.cern.ch/root/html/ROOFIT\_ROOSTATS\_Index.html · users manual currently 32

### There is also a category in ROOT's Savannah bug tracking system

Core developers

- K. Cranmer (ATLAS)
- Gregory Schott (CMS)
- Wouter Verkerke (RooFit)
- Lorenzo Moneta (ROOT)
- open project, you are welcome to join. Contributions from
  - Max Baak, Kevin Belasco, Danilo Piparo, Giacinto Piacquadio, Maurizio Pierini, George H. Lewis, Alfio Lazzaro, Mario Pelliccioni, Matthias Wolf
  - Included since ROOT v5.22
- Example macros in
  - \$ROOTSYS/tutorials/roostats

### Documentation

- code doc. via ROOT
  - users manual currently 32 pages, linked from Wiki page

### The User's Guide

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### 1.1 Getting Started

Since December 2008, RooStats has been distributed in the ROOT release since version 5.22 (December 2008). To use RooStats, you need a version of ROOT greater than 5.22, but you will probably want the most recent ROOT version since the project is developing quickly.

#### Option 1) Download the binaries for the latest ROOT release

You can download the most recent version of ROOT here: http://root.cern.ch/

#### Option 2) Check out and build the ROOT trunk

If you prefer to build ROOT from source,

#### svn co http://root.cern.ch/svn/root/trunk root

then build and install ROOT via (you may want different configure options)

configure --enable-roofit
make

make install

### Option 3) Check out and build the RooStats branch

If you need a development or bug-fix that is not yet in a ROOT release, you can download the most recent version of the code from ROOT's subversion repository. To check it out, go to some temporary directory and type:

svn co https://root.cern.ch/svn/root/branches/dev/roostats root

then build and install ROOT via (you may want different configure options)

configure --enable-roofit make

make install

For more information about building ROOT from source, see the ROOT webpage: http://root.cern.ch/drupal/content/installing-root-source.

# **Major Goals and Status**

**Goal**: Standardize interface for major statistical procedures so that they can work on an arbitrary RooFit model & dataset and handle many parameters of interest and nuisance parameters.

- Status: Done
  - ConfintervalCalculator & HypoTestCalculator interface for tools
  - they return ConfidenceInterval and HypoTestResult

**Goal**: Implement most accepted techniques from Frequentist, Bayesian, and Likelihood-based approaches

- Status: Done / Ongoing
  - **ProfileLikelihoodCalculator**: (Likelihood) the method of MINUIT/MINOS
  - FeldmanCousins: (Frequentist) a specific version of Neyman Construction
  - MCMCCalculator: (Bayesian) uses Metropolis-Hastings algorithm
  - HybridCalculator: (Bayesian/Frequentist Hybrid) like what was used at LEP
  - ...

Goal: Provide utilities to perform combined measurements

- Status: Partially done / Ongoing
  - **RooWorkspace** allows one to save arbitrary RooFit model (even with custom code) into a .root file. PDFs and DataSets have been extended to facilitate combinations.
  - Next talk will show working Higgs & Top examples. Working to increase automation.

## **Additional Goals**

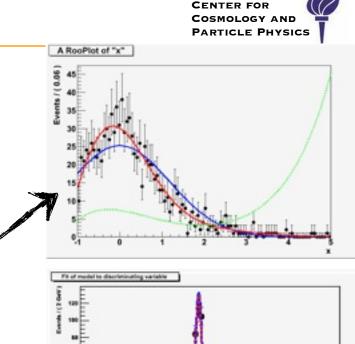
**Goal**: Provide utilities for common tasks.

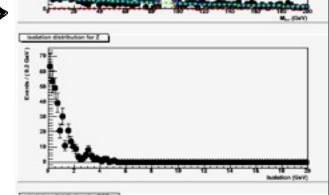
- Status: Ongoing
  - **BernsteinCorrection**: prompted by work in our statistics forum, automate procedure of correcting nominal model to data.
    - <u>http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs\_bernsteinCorrection.C.html</u>
  - SPlot: Working SPlot implementation that works for arbitrary models
    - rewritten from original code from BaBar
    - more general than TSPlot class
    - <u>http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs301\_splot.C.html</u>
  - NumberCountingPdfFactory: builds PDFs that describe a combination of number counting experiments with background uncertainty

**Goal**: Provide utilities or examples requested by community

- Status: Ongoing
  - NumberCountingUtils: provides standalone utilities for simple number counting with background uncertainty
  - Request: something similar for limits. (more later)





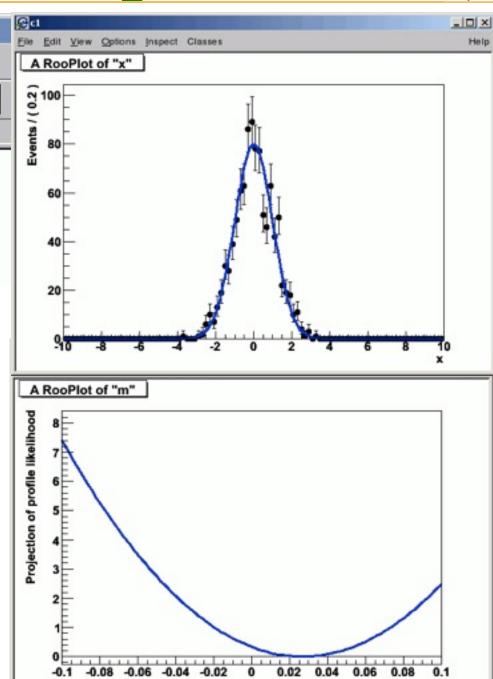


# **Example of Digital Publishing**

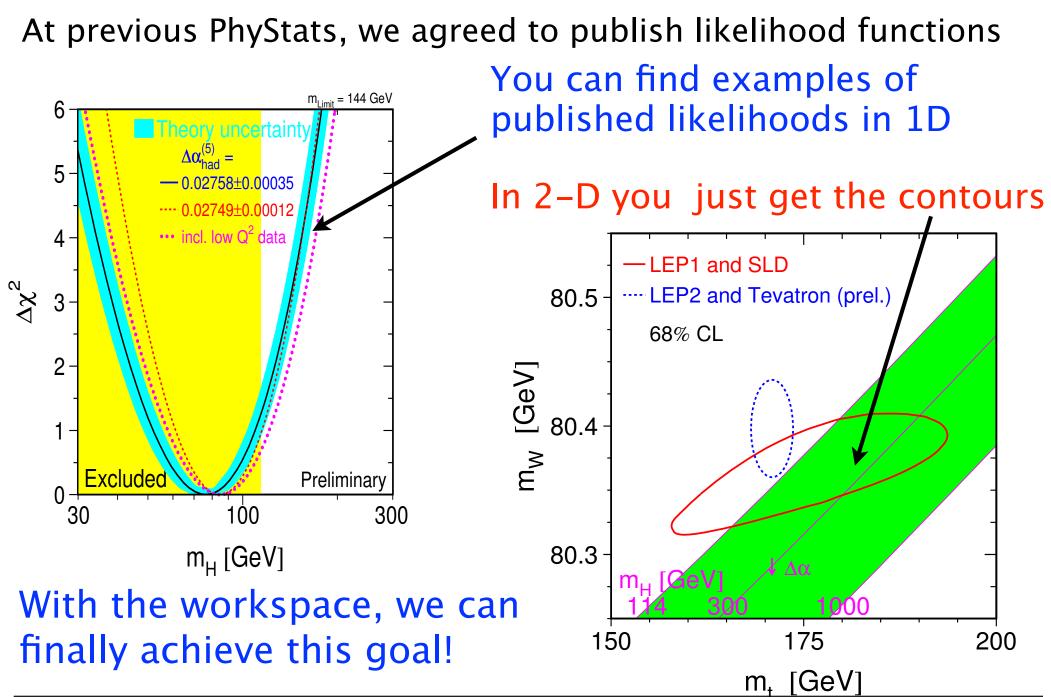
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RooFit's Workspace now provides the ability to save in a ROOT file the full likelihood model, any priors you might want, and the minimal data necessary to reproduce likelihood function.

Can also evaluate integrals over *x* necessary for Neyman construction! Need this for combinations, great potential for publishing results.



# **Examples of Published Likelihoods**



Kyle Cranmer (NYU)

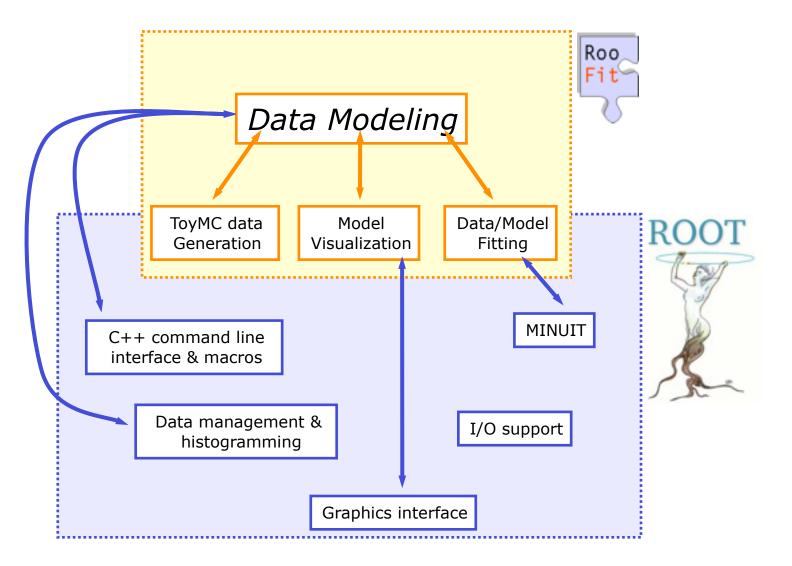
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# RooFit Introduction & Overview

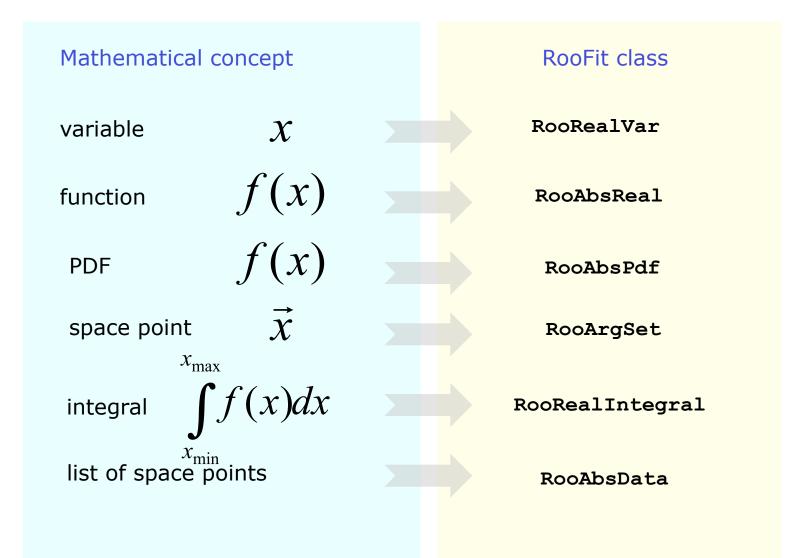
- Introduction
- Some basics statistics
- RooFit design philosophy

### Introduction – Relation to ROOT

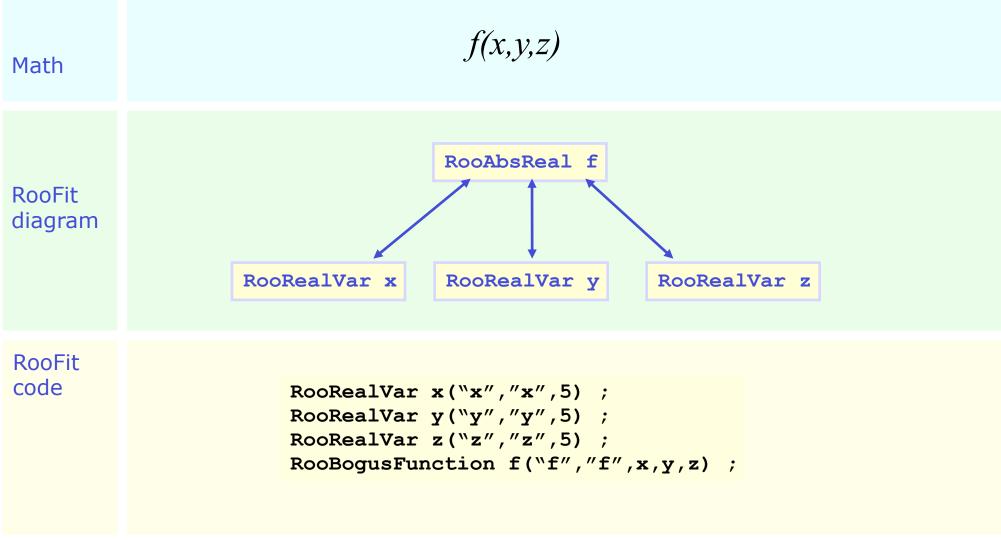
Extension to ROOT – (Almost) no overlap with existing functionality



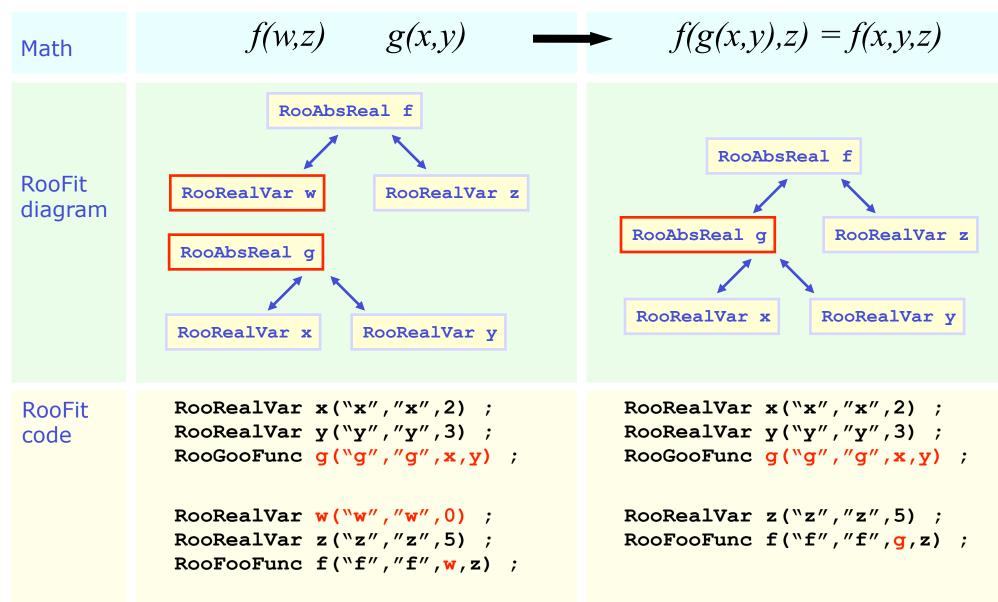
• Mathematical objects are represented as C++ objects



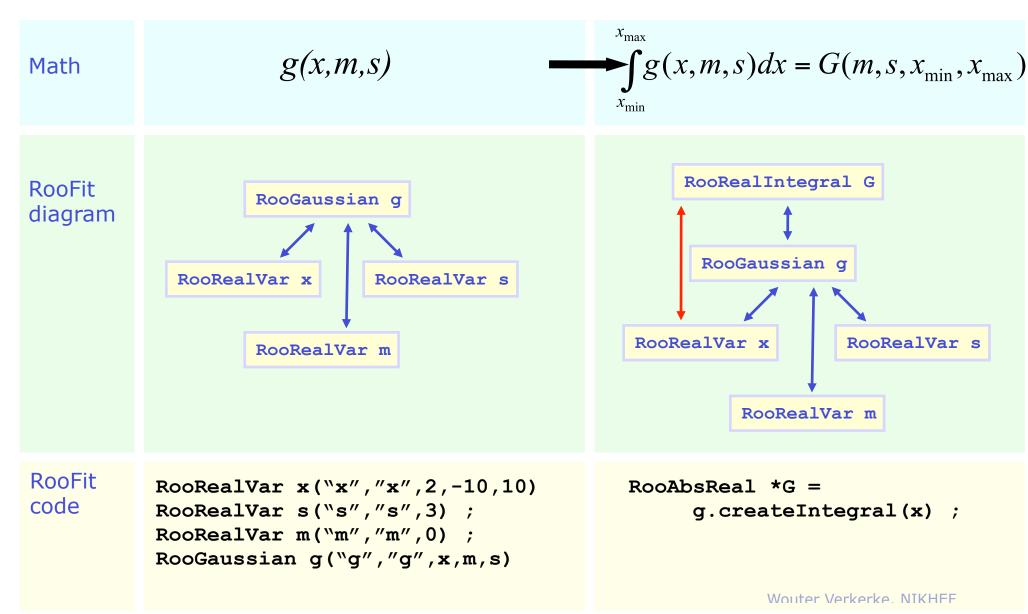
 Represent relations between variables and functions as client/server links between objects



• Composite functions → Composite objects

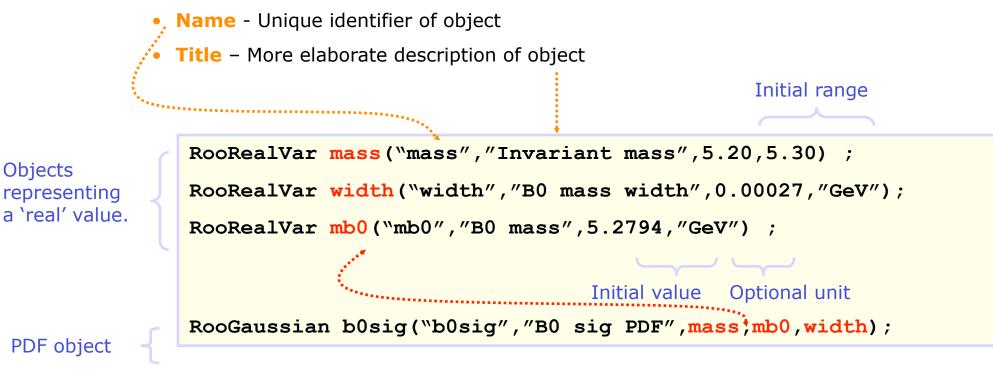


• Represent integral as an object, instead of representing integration as an action



### **Object-oriented data modeling**

- In RooFit every variable, data point, function, PDF represented in a C++ object
  - Objects classified by data/function type they represent, not by their role in a particular setup
  - All objects are self documenting



References to variables

Wouter Verkerke, NIKHEF

# Basic Functionality

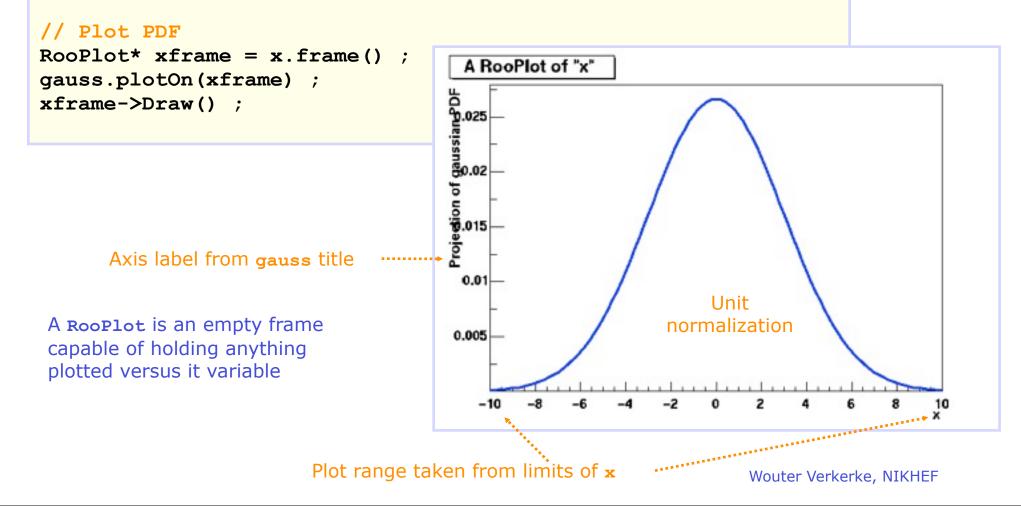
- Creating a p.d.f
- Basic fitting, plotting, event generation
- Some details on normalization, event generation
- Library of basic shapes (including non-parametric shapes)

### Basics – Creating and plotting a Gaussian p.d.f

Setup gaussian PDF and plot

```
// Build Gaussian PDF
RooRealVar x("x","x",-10,10) ;
RooRealVar mean("mean","mean of gaussian",0,-10,10) ;
RooRealVar sigma("sigma","width of gaussian",3) ;
```

RooGaussian gauss("gauss","gaussian PDF",x,mean,sigma) ;



### Basics – Generating toy MC events

Generate 10000 events from Gaussian p.d.f and show distribution

```
// Generate a toy MC set
RooDataSet* data = gauss.generate(x,10000) ;
```

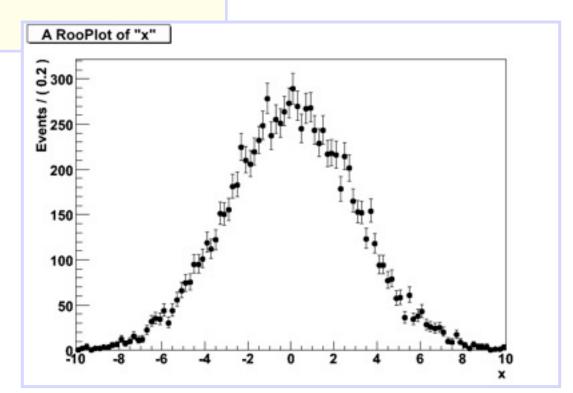
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// Plot PDF
```

xframe->Draw() ;

```
RooPlot* xframe = x.frame() ;
data->plotOn(xframe) ;
```

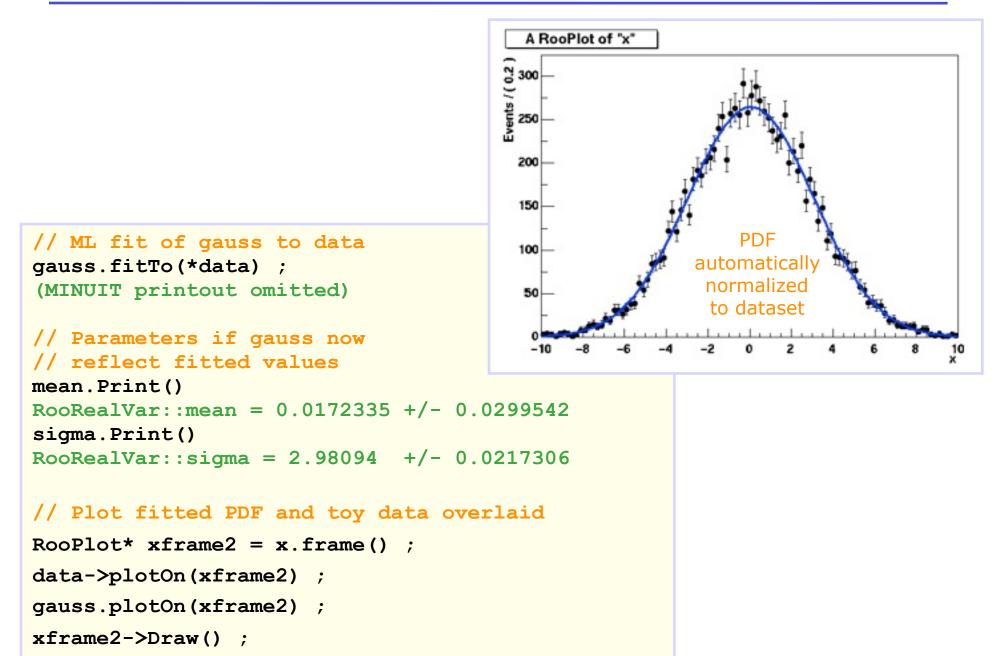
```
Returned dataset is unbinned
dataset (like a ROOT TTree with
a RooRealVar as branch buffer)
```

Binning into histogram is performed in data->plotOn() call



### Basics – ML fit of p.d.f to *unbinned* data

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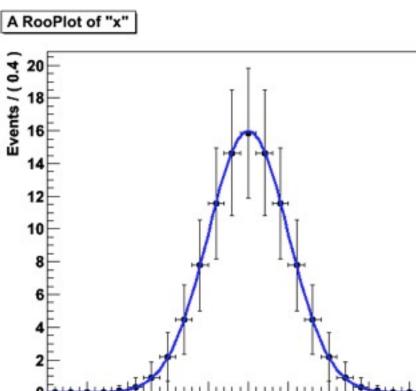




### **Asimov Datasets**

We now appreciate the role of the socalled "Asimov" dataset for estimating the median p-value for a given model

RooFit can now generate an Asimov dataset via the keyword **ExpectedData()** 



```
RooWorkspace* wspace = new RooWorkspace("wspace");
wspace->factory("Gaussian::g(x[-5,5],mu[0],sigma[1])");
wspace->factory("ExtendPdf::model(g,norm[100])");
RooAbsPdf* pdf = wspace->pdf("model");
RooRealVar* x = wspace->var("x");
```

RooAbsData\* AsimovDataSet = pdf->generateBinned(\*x, ExpectedData());

```
RooPlot* frame = wspace->var("x")->frame();
```

```
AsimovDataSet->plotOn(frame);
pdf->plotOn(frame);
```

```
frame->Draw();
```

### Basics – Observables and parameters of Gauss

- Class RooGaussian has no intrinsic notion or distinction between observables and parameters
- Distinction always implicit in use context with dataset
  - $\mathbf{x}$  = observable (as it is a variable in the dataset)
  - **mean,sigma** = parameters
- Choice of observables (for unit normalization) always passed to gauss.getVal()

```
gauss.getVal() ; // Not normalized (i.e. this is _not_ a pdf)
gauss.getVal(x) ; // Guarantees Int[xmin,xmax] Gauss(x,m,s)dx==1
gauss.getVal(s) ; // Guarantees Int[smin,smax] Gauss(x,m,s)ds==1
```

### How does it work – Normalization

• Flexible choice of normalization facilitated by explicit normalization step in RooFit p.d.f.s

gauss.getVal(x)

gauss.getVal(s)

• Supporting class **RooRealIntegral** responsible for calculation of any

$$\int_{\vec{x}_{\min}}^{\vec{x}_{\max}} g(\vec{x};\vec{p}) d\vec{x}$$

- Negotiation with p.d.f on which (partial) integrals it can internally perform analytically
- Missing partes are supplemented with numerical integration
- Class **RooRealIntegral** can in principle integrate *everything*.

### How does it work – Normalization

• A peak in the code of class **RooGaussian** 

```
// Raw (unnormalized value) of Gaussian
Double t RooGaussian::evaluate() const {
 Double t arg= x - mean;
  return exp(-0.5*arg*arg/(sigma*sigma)) ;
}
// Advertise that x can be integrated internally
Int t RooGaussian::getAnalyticalIntegral(RooArgSet& allVars,
      RooArgSet& analVars, const char* /*rangeName*/) const {
  if (matchArgs(allVars,analVars,x)) return 1 ;
  return 0 ;
}
// Implementation of analytical integral over x
Double t RooGaussian::analyticalIntegral(Int t code,
                                         const char* rname) const {
  static const Double t root2 = sqrt(2.) ;
  static const Double t rootPiBy2 = sqrt(atan2(0.0,-1.0)/2.0);
  Double t xscale = root2*sigma;
  return rootPiBy2*sigma*(RooMath::erf((x.max(rname)-mean)/xscale)
                         -RooMath::erf((x.min(rname)-mean)/xscale));
}
```

### Basics – Integrals over p.d.f.s

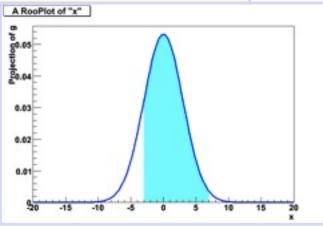
 It is easy to create an object representing integral over a normalized p.d.f in a sub-range

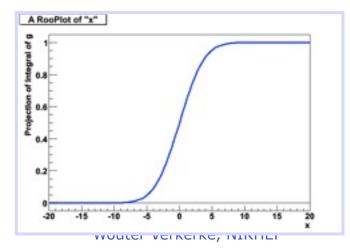
```
x.setRange("sig",-3,7) ;
RooAbsReal* ig = g.createIntegral(x,NormSet(x),Range("sig")) ;
cout << ig.getVal() ;
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mean=-1
cout << ig.getVal() ;
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```

• Similarly, one can also request the *cumulative distribution function* 

$$C(x) = \int_{x_{\min}}^{x} F(x') dx'$$

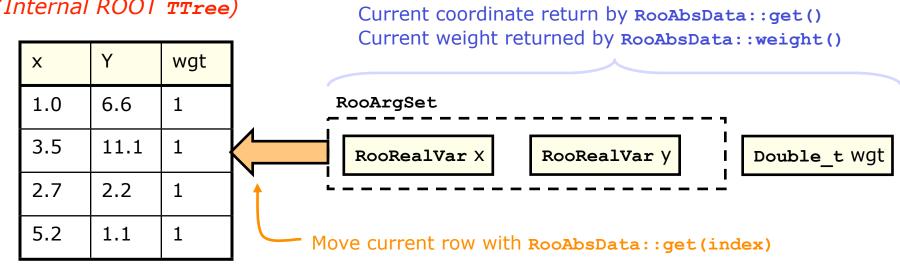
RooAbsReal\* cdf = gauss.createCdf(x) ;
RooPlot\* frame = x.frame() ;
cdf->plotOn(frame)->Draw() ;



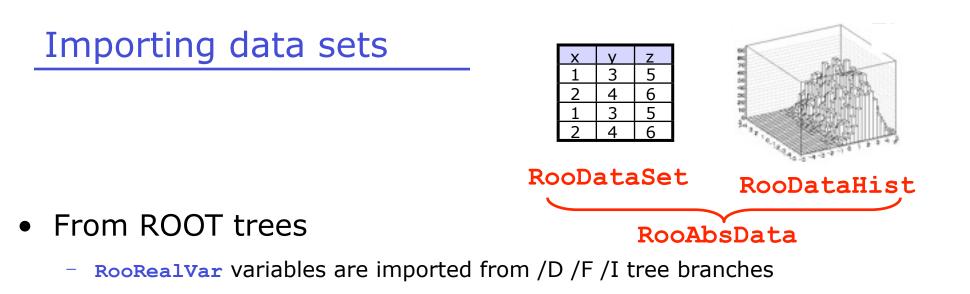


### A bit more detail on RooFit datasets

- A dataset is a N-dimensional collection of points
  - With optional weights
  - No limit on number of dimensions —
  - Observables continuous (RooRealVar) or discrete (RooCategory)
- Interface of each dataset is 'current' row  $\bullet$ 
  - Set of RooFit value objects that represent coordinate of current event



### (Internal ROOT TTree)



- RooCategory variables are imported from /I /b tree branches
- Mapping between TTree branches and dataset variables by name: e.g.
   RooRealVar x("x", "x", -10, 10) imports TTree branch "x"

```
RooRealVar x("x","x",-10,10) ;
RooRealVar c("c","c",0,30) ;
RooDataSet data("data","data",inputTree,RooArgSet(x,c));
```

• From ROOT THx histogram objects

```
RooDataHist bdata1("bdata", "bdata", RooArgList(x), histold);
RooDataHist bdata2("bdata", "bdata", RooArgList(x,y), histo2d);
```

An early edition to RooFit for the RooStats project was the profile likelihood ratio

$$\lambda(\mu) = \frac{L(\mu, \hat{\hat{\nu}})}{L(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu})}$$

- MINOS error box and profile likelihood give same error for multi-dimensional likelihood
- profiling widens likelihood function, resulting in larger errors than one would get keeping the nuisance parameters fixed

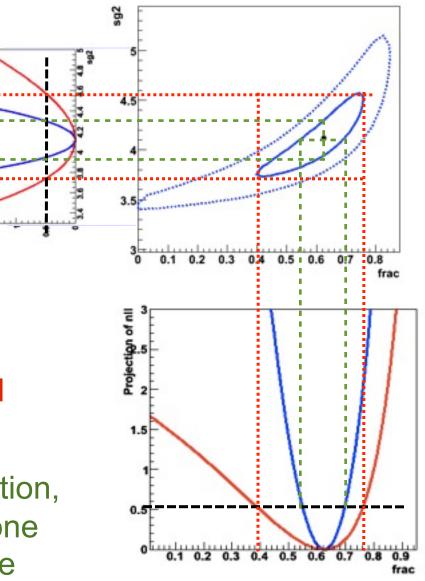


figure by Wouter Verkerke, NIKHEF

# **Usage hints**

### It is hard to remember the names of functions and their arguments

- start a root terminal, type the name of the class, then ::, and hit <tab>.
  - that will shows you all of the methods of the class (often too many).
- If you remember part of the name, you can tab complete
- once you find the right method, add (, and hit <tab> again to see list of arguments

root [1] RooGaussian::fitTo(<tab> RooFitResult\* fitTo(RooAbsData& data, RooCmdArg arg1 .... RooFitResult\* fitTo(RooAbsData& data, const RooLinkedList& cmdList)

root [1] RooStats::ConfInterval::IsInInterval( <tab> Bool\_t IsInInterval(const RooArgSet&) const

Note, RooFit methods usually start with a lower case letter, but ROOT coding convention is to start with an upper case letter

- expect upper case for methods inherited from core ROOT and all RooStats classes
- RooStats classes are in the namespace RooStats
  - either add RooStats:: before class name or using namespace RooStats; to C++ file

# **Adding Custom PDFs**



You may want to code up a more complicated PDF

RooFit provides a utility to create a skeleton code:

root [0] RooClassFactory::makePdf("MyCustomPdf","observable,mH,parameter")

- Put your code here (normalization is automatic)
  - numeric normalization is automatic or you can add analytical integration

```
MyCustomPdf::MyCustomPdf(const MyCustomPdf& other, const char* name) :
    RooAbsPdf(other,name),
    observable("observable",this,other.observable),
    mH("mH",this,other.mH),
    parameter("parameter",this,other.parameter)
    {
        Double_t MyCustomPdf::evaluate() const
        {
            // ENTER EXPRESSION IN TERMS OF VARIABLE ARGUMENTS HERE
            return 1.0;
        }
```

# Fundamental Interfaces for RooStats

## **Design Goals**

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**Goal**: Standardize interface for major statistical procedures so that they can work on an arbitrary RooFit model & dataset and handle many parameters of interest and nuisance parameters.

- RooFit already has an interface for PDFs of arbitrary complexity, but often one needs to specify some additional information to know how to use the PDF.
  - this motivated the class **ModelConfig**, which specifies:
    - what are the observables,
    - what are the parameters of interest,
    - is there an additional prior on the parameters (for Bayesian analysis)
    - is the model conditional on other observables (eg. event-by-event errors)
- We also need a way to package this information, the model, and all that it depends on so we can pass it too the tools. Similar requirements for combining multiple measurements.
  - this motivated the class RooWorkspace, which
    - owns the model and all that it depends upon
    - can read/write all information to a ROOT file
    - (interfaces to low-level factory... more later)

## ModelConfig & RooWorkspace

namespace RooStats {
 class ModelConfig : public TNamed {
 /// specify meaning of variables: observable, parameter, etc.
 const RooArgSet \* GetObservables() ;
 const RooArgSet \* GetParametersOfInterest() ;
 const RooArgSet \* GetNuisanceParameters() ;
 const RooArgSet \* GetConditionalObservables() ;

/// specify the objective pdf and the Bayesian prior separately
RooAbsPdf \* GetPdf() ;
RooAbsPdf \* GetPriorPdf() ;

	/// specify value of parameters for a particu	ılar hypothesis
	<pre>const RooArgSet * GetSnapshot () ;</pre>	class RooWorkspace : public TNamed {
	<pre>/// get the associated workspace const RooWorkspace * GetWS();</pre>	<pre>// import functions Bool_t import(const RooAbsArg&amp; arg,) ;</pre>
	/// corresponding Set methods virtual void SetPdf(RooAbsPdf& pdf);	<pre>// use a low-level factory to create and edit objects in the workspace RooAbsArg* factory(const char* expr);</pre>
		// Accessor functions
		RooAbsPdf* pdf(const char* name);
		RooAbsData* data(const char* name);
		RooRealVar* var(const char* name);
		<pre>const RooArgSet* set(const char* name) ;</pre>
		// Write this workspace to a ROOT file
		writeToFile(const char* fileName, Bool_t recreate=kTRUE) ;
_		// import class code for custom classes (eg. custom PDFs and functions)
	Kyle Cranmer (NYU)	autoImportClassCode(Bool_t flag);

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#### Two ways to create & import a model into the workspace

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```
// Make observable and parameters
RooRealVar x("x","x", 150,100,200);
RooRealVar mu("mu","#mu", 150,130,170);
RooRealVar sigma("sigma","#sigma", 5,0,20);
```

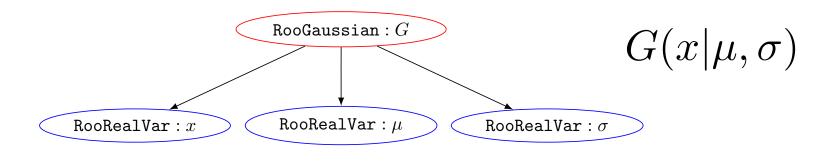
// make a simple model
RooGaussian G("G","G",x, mu, sigma);

```
// make graph to represent model (using GraphViz and latex formatting)
G.graphVizTree("GaussianModel.dot", ":",true, true);
```

or via

```
// use the workspace factory to do the same thing
RooWorkspace wspace("wspace");
wspace.factory("Gaussian::G(x[150,100,200],mu[150,130,170], sigma[5,0,20])");
wspace.pdf("G")->graphVizTree("GaussianModel_factory.dot", ":",true,true);
```

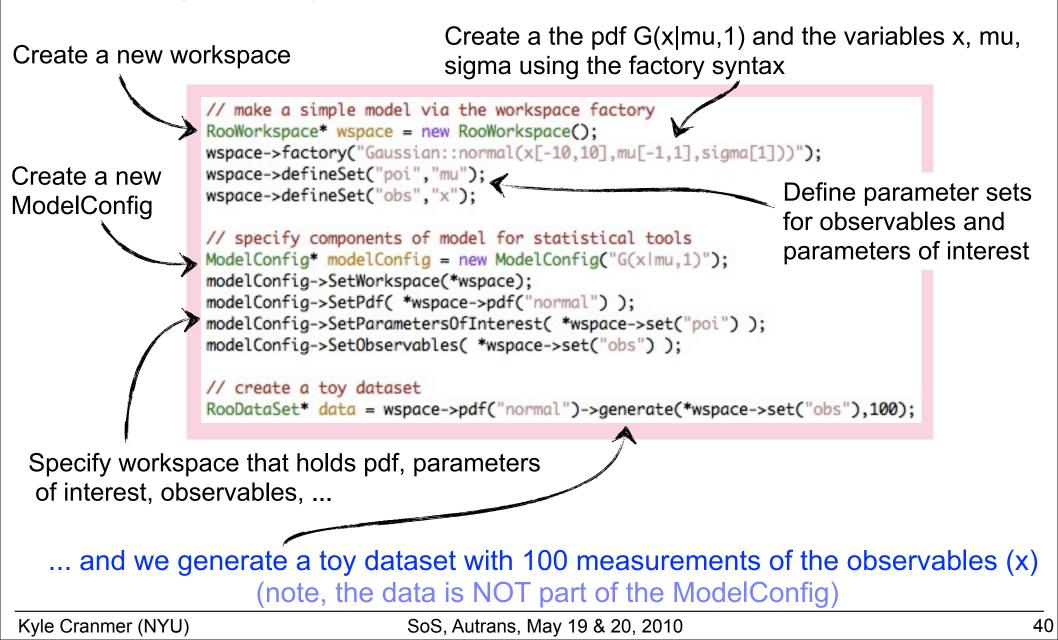
which both produce a graphical representation (in the form of Bell labs "graphviz" format)



## An example with ModelConfig

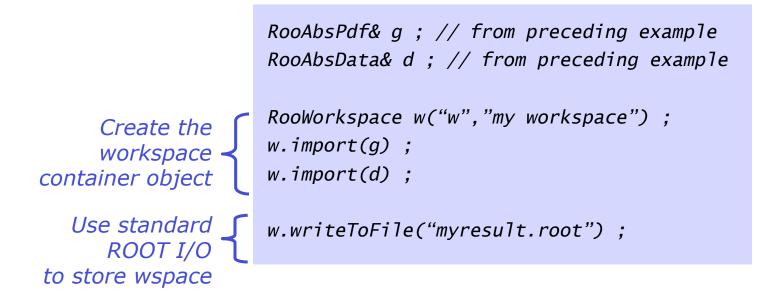


Here we show use of the Workspace factory to create a model, and use of ModelConfig to specify what we will need for the statistical tools



#### Using the Workspace concept

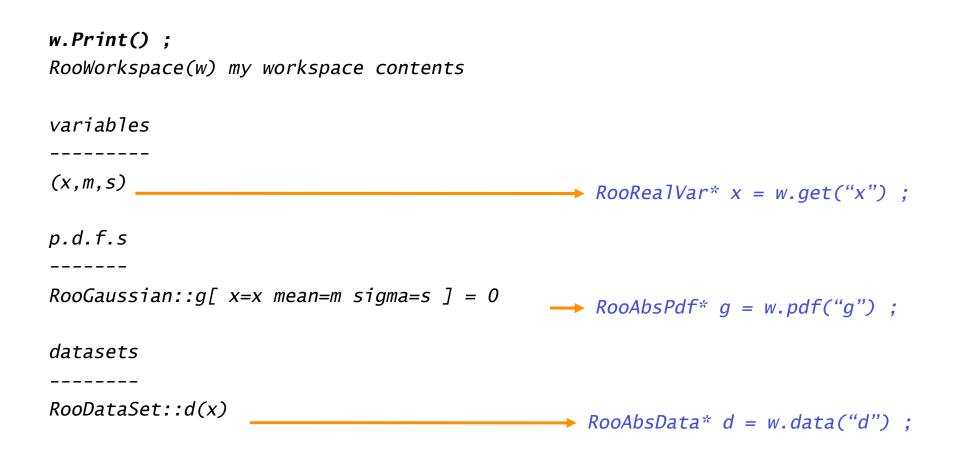
- Up to now, to share with colleagues need to distribute both a data file and a ROOT macro that builds the RooFit p.d.f
- Now add the Workspace Persistent container for both data and functions



• Both data and p.d.f. are now stored in file!

#### A look at the workspace

• What is in the workspace?



#### Using persisted p.d.f.s.

Make plot

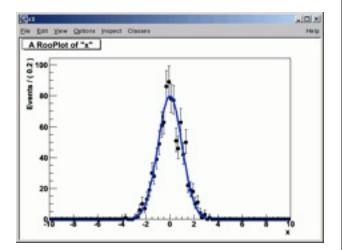
of data

and p.d.f

• Using both model & p.d.f from file

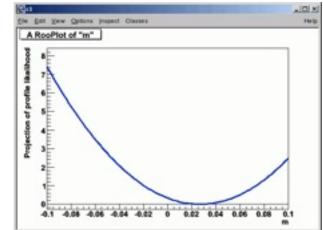
TFile f("myresults.root") ;
RooWorkspace\* w = f.Get("w") ;

RooPlot\* xframe = w->var("x")->frame() ;
w->data("d")->plotOn(xframe) ;
w->pdf("g")->plotOn(xframe) ;



Construct likelihood & profile LH RooProfileLL pll("pll", "pll", nll, \*w->var("m"));

Draw profile LH { RooPlot\* mframe = w->var("m")->frame(-1,1) ; pll.plotOn(mframe) ; mframe->Draw()

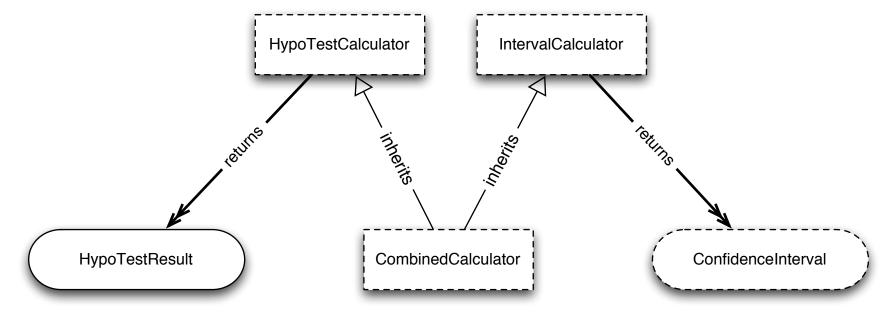


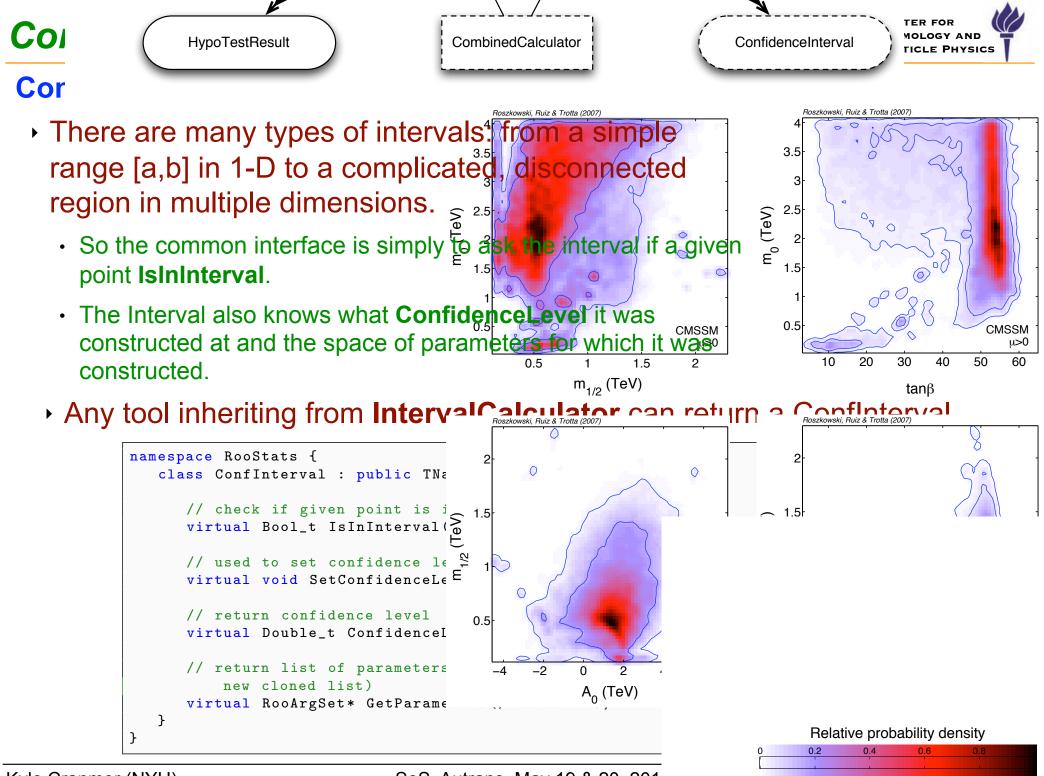
- Note that above code is independent of actual p.d.f in file  $\rightarrow$  e.g. full Higgs combination would work with identical code

#### Interfaces for statistical tests & results



- We try to keep a clean separation between the tools and the results • results in general can be saved into a ROOT file
- Two main classes of tools: Hypothesis Tests & Confidence Intervals
  - each has an abstract interface for tools and results
- Let's think about the interfaces,
  - what do they need to know?
  - what do they provide?





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## Tools that calculate confidence intervals

}



**IntervalCalculator** is the interface for a tools which produce ConfIntervals.

- After configuring the calculator, one only needs to ask GetInterval, which will return a Confinterval pointer (the user takes ownership of new interval).
- assumes that any interval calculator can be configured by specifying the:
  - single model configuration (one model over a space of parameters of interest),
  - data set,
  - confidence level

```
namespace RooStats {
   class IntervalCalculator {
      // Main interface to get a ConfInterval, pure virtual
      virtual ConfInterval* GetInterval() const = 0;
      // Get the size of the test (eg. rate of Type I error)
      virtual Double_t Size() const = 0;
      // Get the Confidence level for the test
      virtual Double_t ConfidenceLevel() const = 0;
      // Set the DataSet ( add to the the workspace if not already there ?)
      virtual void SetData(RooAbsData&) = 0;
      // Set the Model
      virtual void SetModel(const ModelConfig & /* model */) = 0;
      // set the size of the test (rate of Type I error) ( e.g. 0.05 for a 95% \leftrightarrow
          Confidence Interval)
      virtual void SetTestSize(Double_t size) = 0;
      // set the confidence level for the interval (e.g. 0.95 for a 95% \leftrightarrow
          Confidence Interval)
      virtual void SetConfidenceLevel(Double_t cl) = 0;
   };
```

## Hypothesis Tests

#### **HypoTestResult** is the class that holds the result of a Hypothesis Test

- Very simple class:
  - stores p-value for the null and alternate hypotheses as calculated by a HypoTestCalculator
  - equivalently, Gaussian significance, CLb and CLs+b
  - (note can calculate CLs = CLs+b / CLb, which is used within physics, but is not a probability)
- Note, HypoTestResult is a concrete class, not an interface.

```
namespace RooStats {
   class HypoTestResult : public TNamed {
      // Return p-value for null hypothesis
      virtual Double_t NullPValue() const {return fNullPValue;}
      // Return p-value for alternate hypothesis
      virtual Double_t AlternatePValue() const {return fAlternatePValue;}
      // Convert NullPValue into a "confidence level"
      virtual Double_t CLb() const {return 1.-NullPValue();}
      // Convert AlternatePValue into a "confidence level"
      virtual Double_t CLsplusb() const {return AlternatePValue();}
      // CLs is simply CLs+b/CLb (not a method, but a quantity)
      virtual Double_t CLs() const ;
      // familiar name for the Null p-value in terms of 1-sided Gaussian \hookleftarrow
          significance
      virtual Double_t Significance() const;
   };
```

}

#### HypoTestCalculator is the interface tools that produce HypoTestResults

- The interface currently assumes that any interval calculator can be configured by specifying:
  - a model configuration for the null,
  - a model configuration for the alternate (often a totally different PDF),
  - a data set,
- After configuring the calculator, one simply calls GetHypoTest, which will return a HypoTestResult pointer (the user takes ownership of new object).

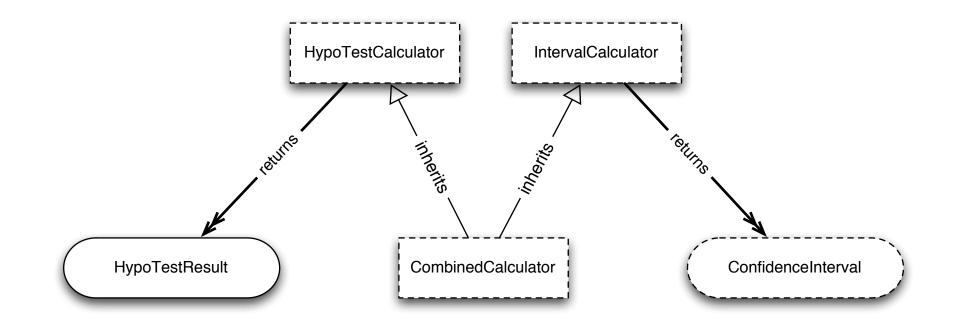
```
namespace RooStats {
    class HypoTestCalculator {
        // main interface to get a HypoTestResult, pure virtual
        virtual HypoTestResult* GetHypoTest() const = 0;
        // Set the model for the null hypothesis
        virtual void SetNullModel(const ModelConfig& model) = 0;
        // Set the model for the alternate hypothesis
        virtual void SetAlternateModel(const ModelConfig& model) = 0;
        // Set the DataSet
        virtual void SetData(RooAbsData& data) = 0;
        // Set a common model for both the null and alternate
        virtual void SetCommonModel(const ModelConfig& model);
    }
}
```

#### **CombinedCalculator**



**CombinedCalculator** is the interface tools that can do both hypothesis tests and produce confidence intervals

In this case, the null and alternate models share the same pdf, and are specified by specific settings for the parameters of interest

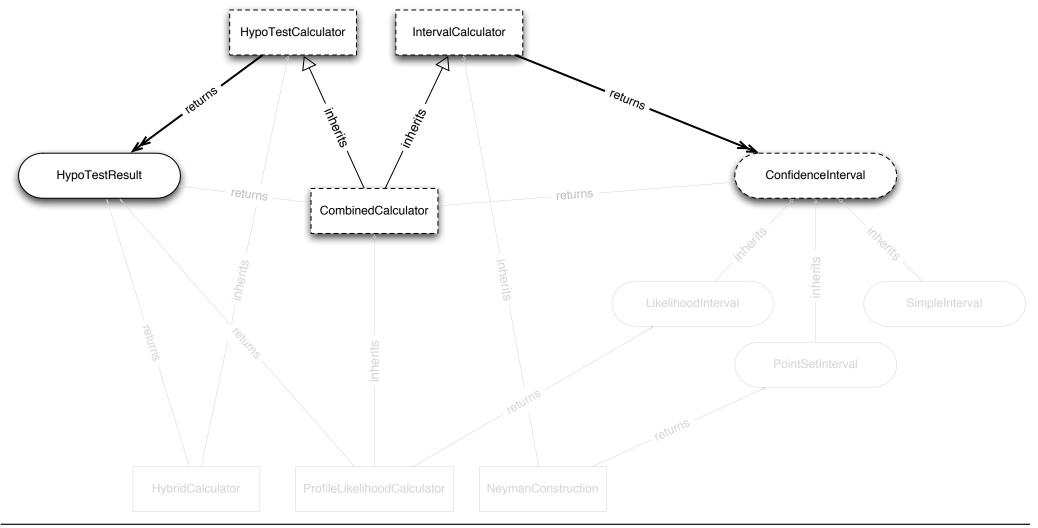


## **High-level interfaces**



We have tried to unify the way that one specifies the statistical problem, with RooAbsData and ModelConfig

 any additional configuration of the tools should be seen as configuration of the method itself, and several of the tools are highly configurable



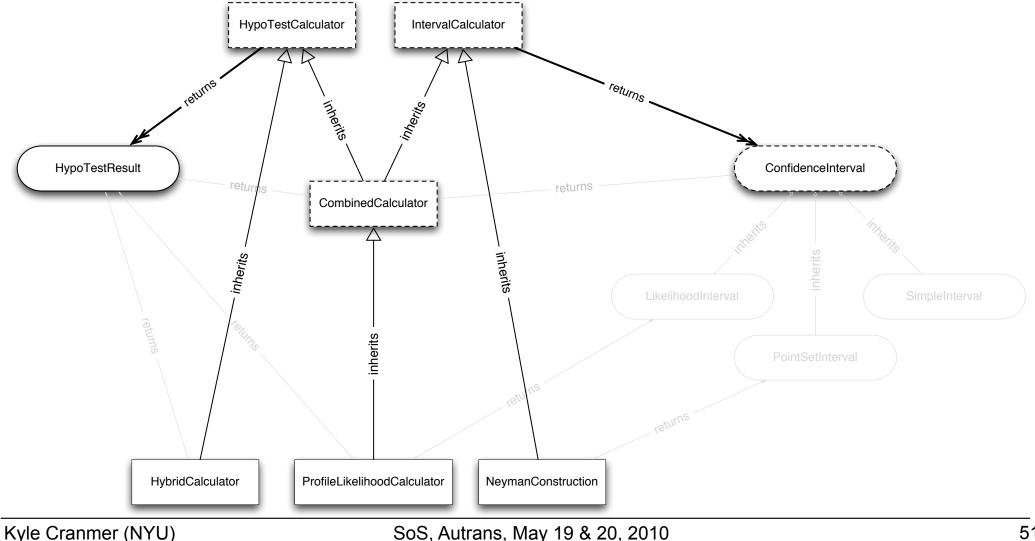
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#### **Concrete Tools**

HybridCalculator is an example of a HypoTestCalculator, it returns a HypoTestResult

**ProfileLikelihoodCalculator** is an example of a CombinedCalculator, it can return either a HypoTestResult or a ConfInterval

**NeymanConstruction** is an example of an IntervalCalculator, it returns a ConfInterval

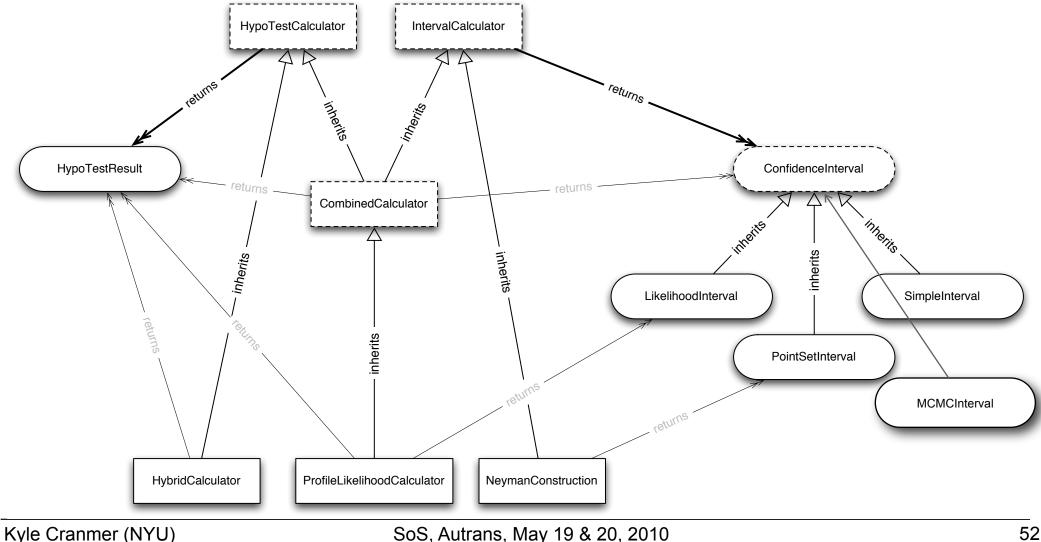


#### **Concrete Intervals**



The **ProfileLikelihoodCalculator** returns a **LikelihoodInterval**, which is a concrete implementation of **ConfInterval** (based on contours of likelihood function)

The NeymanConstruction returns a PointSetInterval, which is a different concrete implementation (based on scanning points in the parameter space)





#### HypoTestCalculators

- HybridCalculator
  - hybrid Bayes-frequentist calculation (marginalize nuisance parameters)
- ProfileLikelihoodCalculator
  - the method of MINUIT/MINOS, based on Wilks's theorem
- IntervalCalculators
  - ProfileLikelihoodCalculator
    - the method of MINUIT/MINOS, based on Wilks's theorem
  - NeymanConstruction
    - general purpose Neyman Construction class, highly configurable: choice of TestStatistic, TestStatSampler (defines ensemble/conditioning), integration boundary (upper, lower, central limits), and parameter points to scan
  - FeldmanCousins
    - specific configuration of NeymanConstruction for Feldman-Cousins (generalized for nuisance parameters)
  - MCMCCalculator
    - Bayesian Markov Chain Monte Carlo (Metropolis Hastings), proposal function is highly customizable
  - BayesianCalculator
    - Bayesian posterior calculated via numeric integration routines, currently only supports one parameter
  - HypoTestInverter
    - adapter any HypoTestCalculator and forms an IntervalCalculator

## An Example Confidence Interval

#### The example problem

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δ

 $1.28\sigma$ 

 $1.64\sigma$ 

 $1.96\sigma$ 

 $2.58\sigma$ 

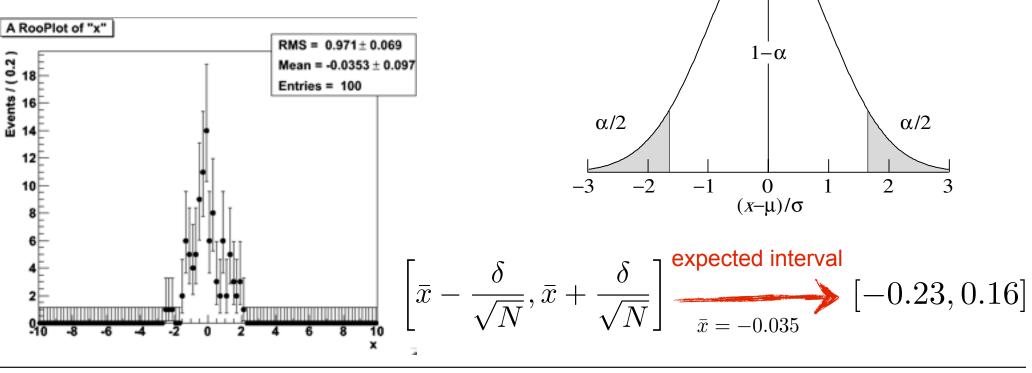
 $3.29\sigma$ 

 $3.89\sigma$ 

Let's consider an example where we know the answer:

- 95% CL interval on the mean of a Gaussian with sigma=1
- generate a toy dataset with N = 100
- Look up in PDG what we should expect

$$\sigma=1,\;\delta=1.96,\;N=100$$



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**Table 32.1:** Area of the tails  $\alpha$  outside  $\pm \delta$  from the mean of a Gaussian distribution.

 $\alpha$ 

0.2

0.1

0.05

0.01

0.001

 $10^{-4}$ 

 $f(x; \mu, \sigma)$ 

δ

 $1\sigma$ 

 $2\sigma$ 

 $3\sigma$ 

 $4\sigma$ 

 $5\sigma$ 

 $6\sigma$ 

 $\alpha$ 

0.3173

 $4.55 \times 10^{-2}$ 

 $2.7 \times 10^{-3}$ 

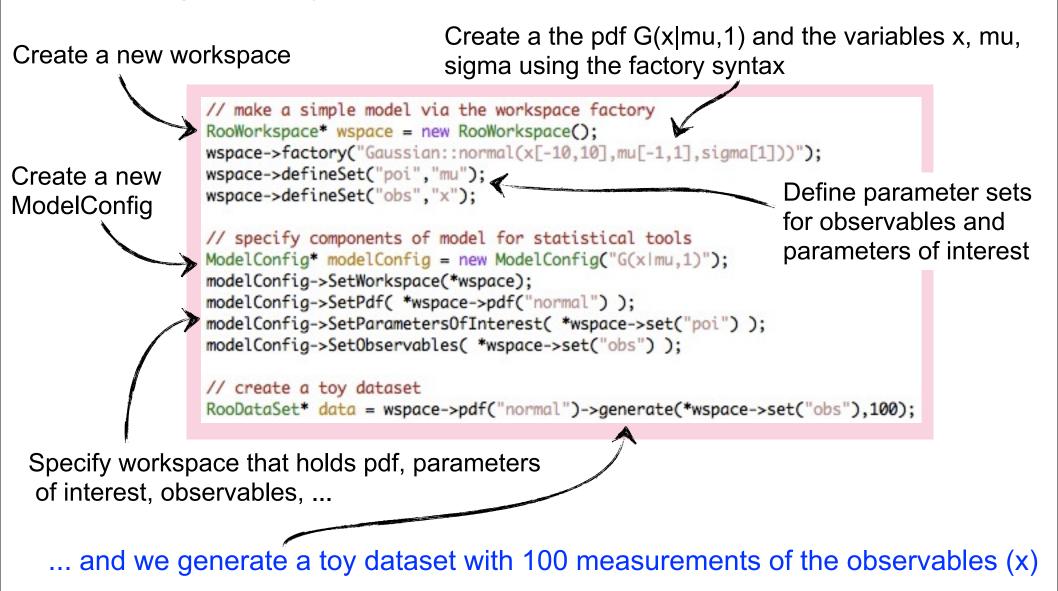
 $6.3 \times 10^{-5}$ 

 $5.7 \times 10^{-7}$ 

 $2.0 \times 10^{-9}$ 

#### Creating the model

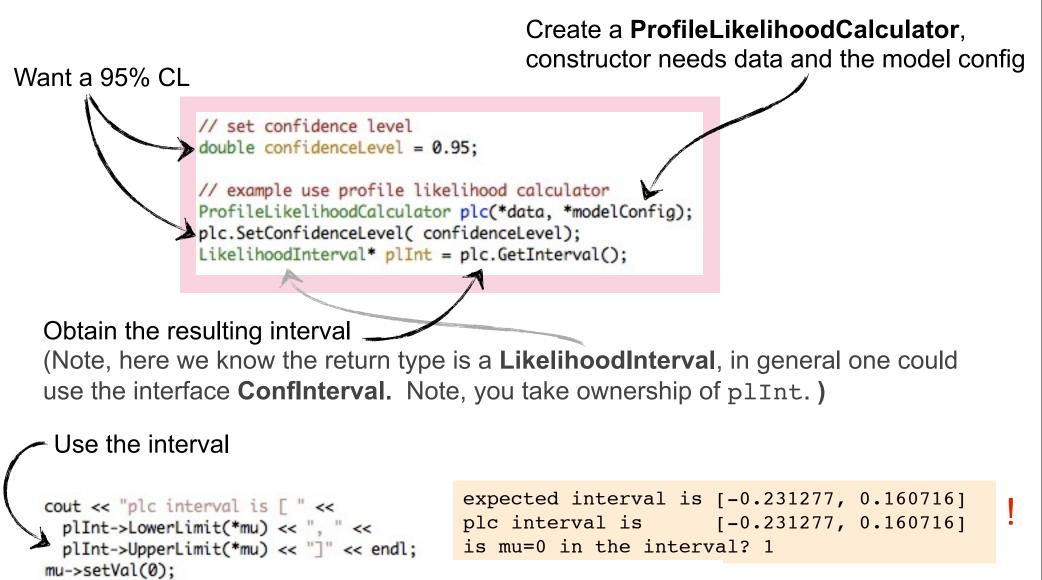
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#### **Example using the ProfileLikelihoodCalculator**



#### Once one has the model and the data, creating the interval is quite easy!



```
cout << "is mu=0 in the interval? " << plInt->IsInInterval(*mu) << endl;</pre>
```

## **Example using Feldman-Cousins**



// example use of Feldman-Cousins FeldmanCousins fc(\*data, \*modelConfig); fc.SetConfidenceLevel( confidenceLevel); // special options fc.SetNBins(200); // number of points to test per parameter fc.UseAdaptiveSampling(true); // make it go faster PointSetInterval\* interval = fc.GetInterval(): std::cout << "fc interval is ["<<</pre> interval->LowerLimit(\*mu) << " , " <<</pre> interval->UpperLimit(\*mu) << "]" << endl;</pre> expected interval is [-0.231277, 0.160716] plc interval is [-0.231277, 0.160716] fc interval is [-0.215 , 0.165 Real time 0:00:36, CP time 34.900

By default, the FeldmanCousins calculator only samples 10 points per parameter, (pretty fast)

modify this with SetNBins

The default number of samples is 50/(type I error rate)

- → For 95% CL, 1000 toys/point
- for 200 parameter points, that's 200,000 generations of datasets and MINUIT minimizations! About 15 min.

The AdaptiveSampling algorithm will use fewer toys for obvious points and more near boundary

- reduces it to 2 min!
- will explain algorithm later on

Note F-C interval is consistent within step-size for the upper limit, off by one step in lower limit... likely a statistical fluctuation in ToyMC.

## Example using BayesianCalculator



// example use of BayesianCalculator
// now we also need to specify a prior in the ModelConfig
wspace->factory("Uniform::prior(mu)");
modelConfig->SetPriorPdf(\*wspace->pdf("prior"));

// example usage of BayesianCalculator
BayesianCalculator bc(\*data, \*modelConfig);
bc.SetConfidenceLevel( confidenceLevel);
SimpleInterval\* bcInt = bc.GetInterval();

The BayesianCalculator requires an additional ingredient beyond what is currently in our ModelConfig

it needs a prior for mu

Once that is specified in the ModelConfig, use of the BayesianCalculator is the same as the other tools

 currently this tool is restricted to one parameter, waiting for some additional support in underlying RooFit integration infrastructure.

expected interval is	[-0.231277,	0.160716]
plc interval is	[-0.231277,	0.160716]
fc interval is	[-0.215 ,	0.165 ]
bc interval is	[-0.232274,	0.159713]

Note bayesian interval is based on numerical integration instead of ToyMC. Accuracy of answer depends on accuracy specified in numerical integration, can be configured.

## **Example using MCMCCalculator**



// example use of MCMCInterval
MCMCCalculator mc(\*data, \*modelConfig);
mc.SetConfidenceLevel( confidenceLevel);

#### // special options

```
mc.SetNumBins(1000); // bins used internally for representing posterior
mc.SetNumBurnInSteps(500); // first N steps to be ignored as burn-in
mc.SetNumIters(100000);
```

```
MCMCInterval* mcInt = mc.GetInterval();
```

expected interval is	[-0.231277,	0.160716]
plc interval is	[-0.231277,	0.160716]
fc interval is	[-0.215 ,	0.165 ]
bc interval is	[-0.232274,	0.159713]
mc interval is	[-0.227 ,	0.157 ]

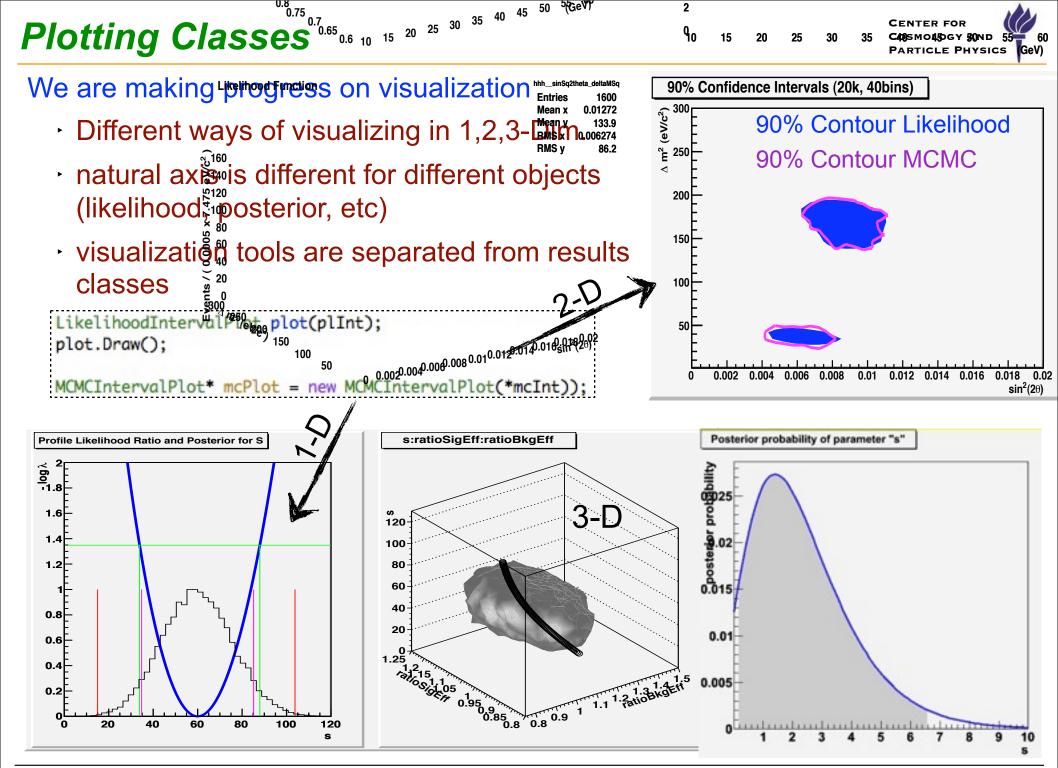
The MCMCCalculator requires the same ingredients as the Bayesian Calculator, but uses Markov Chain Monte Carlo to calculate the posterior

This class works is very configurable, and will be described in more detail later.

 here we set the binning resolution for the parameter of interest, the number of "burn in" steps, the number of iterations to run the MCMC



# Visualizing the Results (under development)



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# An Example Hypothesis Test

#### The example problem

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#### Let's consider an example that has been studied recently: the "on/off" problem

- it consists of two number counting measurements:
  - a "main measurement" N that are signal candidates
  - a sideband measurement, where one observes b<sub>est</sub> events and expects that to be Poisson-distributed around the true, unknown b (our nuisance parameter)

$$P(N, b_{est} | s, b) = Pois(N | s + b) Pois(b_{est} | b)$$
  
total model main measurement sideband

This problem has a known frequentist solution based on the Binomial distribution

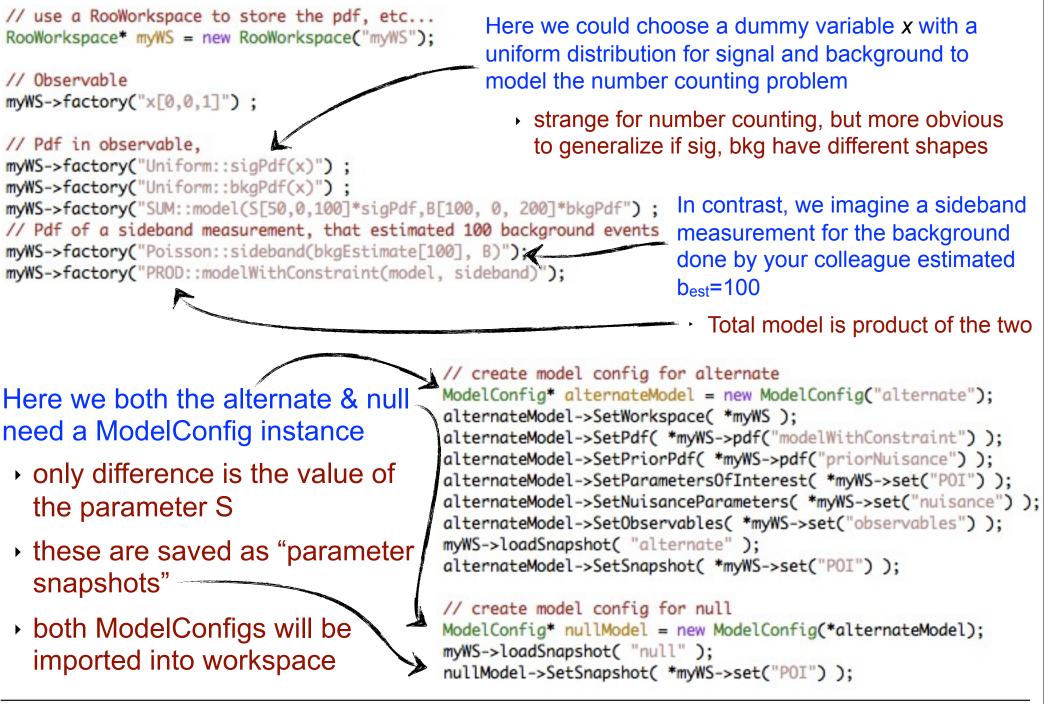
- The resulting significance is called  $Z_{\mbox{\scriptsize Bi}}$  and it is known analytically
- RooStats has a little utility for this problem called NumberCountingUtils
- In this toy example, let's say that b<sub>est</sub> = 100 and N = 144 double tau = 1; // bkgEstimate directly estimates bkg in main measurement

```
double Z_Bi = RooStats::NumberCountingUtils::BinomialWithTauObsZ(nObs, bkgEst, tau);
std::cout << "Z_Bi significance estimation: " << Z_Bi << std::endl;</pre>
```

Z\_Bi significance estimation: 2.75905

## Creating the null & alternate model





#### Example using ProfileLikelihoodCalculator

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Here we imagine a new ROOT session, // Open the file and import the workspace & ModelConfigs where we open a file with the workspace in it, TFile\* file = new TFile(fileName); and retrieve everything we need from inside RooWorkspace\* myWS = (RooWorkspace\*) file->Get("myWS"); ModelConfig\* alternateModel = (ModelConfig\*) myWS->obj("alternateModel"); ModelConfig\* nullModel = (ModelConfig\*) myWS->obj("nullModel"); RooAbsData\* data = myWS->data("data"); Setting up the ProfileLikelihoodCalculator is the same as before, except • we must specify the parameter values for null and alternate ToDo: automatically set via **ModelConfig** // Set up the ProfileLikelihoodCalculator ProfileLikelihoodCalculator plc(\*data, \*alternateModel); plc.SetAlternateParameters( \*alternateModel->GetSnapshot() ); // should be automatic plc.SetNullParameters( \*nullModel->GetSnapshot() ); // should be automatic // use the calculator Using the calulator as a HypoTestResult\* plcResult=plc.GetHypoTest(); HypoTestCalculator is easy! double plcSignificance = plcResult->Significance(); Z Bi significance estimation: 2.75905 profile significance estimation: 2.82453

The profile likelihood is an approximation and a different method, not expected to give the same result

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## Example using HybridCalculator



Unfortunately, the HybridCalculator is not yet fully working with ModelConfig, so here we configure it piece by piece.

- note, the HybridCalculator is soon to be re-written so that it will re-use same basic tools (TestStatistic, TestStatSampler) as the NeymanConstruction
  - this should also bring faster performance and parallel processing via PROOF

```
// Set up the ProfileLikelihoodCalculator
// not yet working with ModelConfig, so we have to do it by hand
HybridCalculator hybrid;
hybrid.SetData(*data);
hybrid.SetAlternatePdf(*alternateModel->GetPdf());
hybrid.SetAlternateParameters( *alternateModel->GetSnapshot() );
hybrid.SetNullPdf(*nullModel->GetPdf() );
hybrid.SetNullParameters( *nullModel->GetSnapshot() );
hybrid.UseNuisance(kTRUE);
hybrid.SetNuisanceParameters(*nullModel->GetNuisanceParameters());
hybrid.SetNuisancePdf(*myWS->pdf("sideband")); // really want posterior P(blbkgEstimate)
```

```
HypoTestResult* hybridResult=hybrid.GetHypoTest();
double hybridSignificance = hybridResult->Significance();
```

```
Z_Bi significance estimation: 2.75905
profile significance estimation: 2.82453
hybrid significance estimation: 2.87816
```

Note the hybrid calculator is also performing a different calculation, don't expect it to agree with profile likelihoood.

## **Other Fundamental Interfaces**

#### The case for a new interface & result class

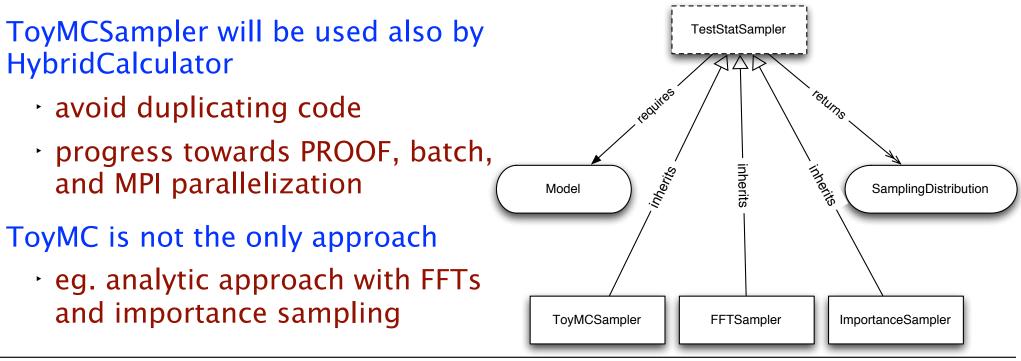


Most of the hard-work for the Neyman-Construction is going to be in generating the sampling distribution for the test statistic

 Same is true for several of our tools: coverage studies, the current HybridCalculator

Therefore we are adding a **TestStatSampler** interface that returns a **SamplingDistribution** 

SamplingDistribution (should support merging for use on clusters)



# HybridCalculator

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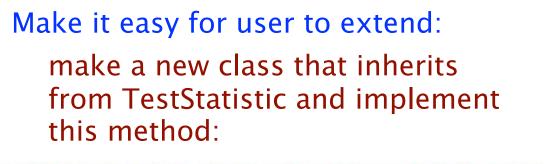
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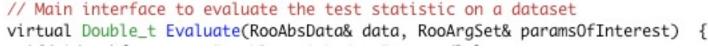
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generating the sampling distribution for the test statistic

How do you define a new test statistic?

How to plug in your own Test-Statistic





#### First example test statistic is ProfileLikelihood

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TestStatSampler

ToyMCSampler

TestStatistic

ProfileLikelihoodTestStat

Model

NumEventsTestStat

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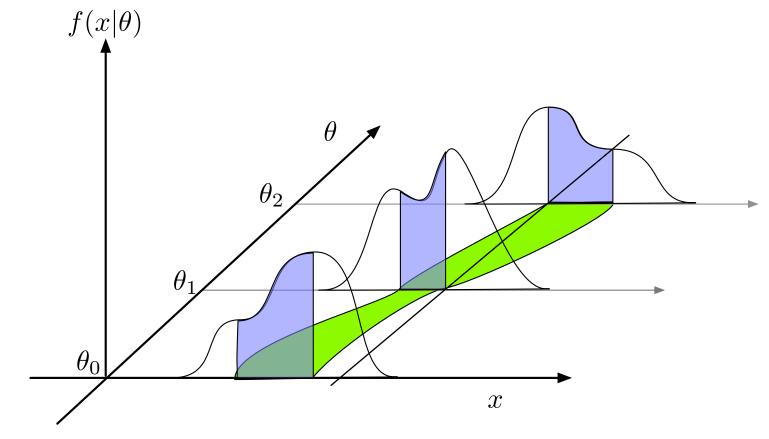
inherits

SamplingDistribution

User-defined

# More about the Neyman Construction Calculator

- Treat each point in parameter space  $\theta$  independently
- $\bullet$  For each point, need distribution of some test statistic x
- Choose an ordering rule that selects a specific  $1 \alpha$  region
- Confidence Interval is set of parameter points where data in acceptance region (eg. intersects confidence belt)



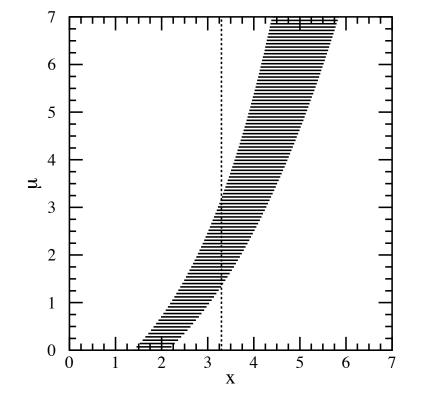
#### Feldman & Cousins "Unified Approach" looks like this:

#### Neyman Construction

- For each  $\mu :$  find region  $R_{\mu}$  with probability  $1-\alpha$
- Confidence Interval includes all  $\mu$  consistent with observation at  $x_0$

Ordering Rule specifies what region

F-C ordering rule is the Likelihood Ratio  $R_{\mu} = \left\{ x \mid \frac{L(x|\mu)}{L(x|\mu_{\text{best}})} > k_{\alpha} \right\}$ 



The F-C ordering rule follows naturally from Neyman-Pearson Lemma

## NeymanConstruction Implementation

IntervalCalculator

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NeymanConstruction

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ConfidenceInterval

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It uses a TestStatSampler to generate a SamplingDistribution for each parameter point.

Find thresholds on test statistic that define acceptance region (switch for upper/lower/central limits)

Check if data is in acceptance region (eg. between thresholds). If so, add point to the PointSetInterval result

requires requires requires LimitType **PointSetInterval** Data (switch) requires requires FeldmanCousins is an TestStatSampler additional class that enforces a particular configuration of test requires requires statistic, distribution creator, limit type, etc. TestStatistic / SamplingDistribution Model **Ordering Rule** 

returns

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#### **Counting experiment with known background**



# Consider a simple and well studied example. Intervals are tabulated in Feldman & Cousins original paper

http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs401c\_FeldmanCousins.C.html

```
// make a simple model
RooRealVar x("x","", 1,0,50);
RooRealVar mu("mu","", 2.5,0, 15); // with a limit on mu>=0
RooConstVar b("b","", 3.);
RooAddition mean("mean","",RooArgList(mu,b));
RooPoisson pois("pois", "", x, mean);
RooArgSet parameters(mu);
```

```
// create a toy dataset
RooDataSet* data = pois.generate(RooArgSet(x), nEventsData);
```

```
/////// show use of Feldman-Cousins
RooStats::FeldmanCousins fc;
// set the distribution creator, which encodes the test statistic
fc.SetPdf(pois);
fc.SetParameters(parameters);
fc.SetTestSize(.05); // set size of test
fc.SetData(*data);
fc.UseAdaptiveSampling(true);
fc.FluctuateNumDataEntries(false);
fc.SetNBins(100); // number of points to test per parameter
```

```
// use the Feldman-Cousins tool
ConfInterval* interval = fc.GetInterval();
```

```
ConfidenceBelt* belt = fc.GetConfidenceBelt();
```

Model is simply  $Pois(x|\mu + b)$ where b is known  $\cdot$  Consider b=3 Generated data has  $\cdot x=7$ 

Usage of FeldmanCousins utility is very easy

 same interface as Profile Likelihood interval calculator

## FeldmanCousins utility gives for x=7, b=3 gives an interval:

- $\mu \in [0.8, 9.5]$  with default settings (step size of 0.15)
- takes ~19 seconds to test 100 points at 90% confidence

## • compare to original paper $\mu \in [0.9, 9.53]$

TABLE IV. 90% C.L. intervals for the Poisson signal mean  $\mu$ , for total events observed  $n_0$ , for known mean background b ranging from 0 to 5.

$n_0 \setminus b$	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
0	0.00, 2.44	0.00, 1.94	0.00, 1.61	0.00, 1.33	0.00, 1.26	0.00, 1.18	0.00, 1.08	0.00, 1.06	0.00, 1.01	0.00, 0.98
1	0.11, 4.36	0.00, 3.86	0.00, 3.36	0.00, 2.91	0.00, 2.53	0.00, 2.19	0.00, 1.88	0.00, 1.59	0.00, 1.39	0.00, 1.22
2	0.53,  5.91	0.03,  5.41	0.00,  4.91	0.00, 4.41	$0.00, \ 3.91$	0.00, 3.45	0.00, 3.04	0.00, 2.67	0.00, 2.33	0.00, 1.73
3	1.10, 7.42	0.60,  6.92	0.10,  6.42	0.00,  5.92	0.00, 5.42	0.00,  4.92	0.00, 4.42	$0.00, \ 3.95$	0.00,  3.53	0.00, 2.78
4	1.47,  8.60	1.17,  8.10	0.74,  7.60	0.24, 7.10	0.00,  6.60	0.00,  6.10	0.00,  5.60	0.00, 5.10	0.00, 4.60	0.00,  3.60
5	1.84,  9.99	1.53,  9.49	1.25, 8.99	0.93, 8.49	0.43, 7.99	0.00, 7.49	0.00,  6.99	0.00,  6.49	0.00, 5.99	0.00, 4.99
6	2.21, 11.47	1.90, 10.97	1.61, 10.47	1.33,  9.97	1.08,  9.47	0.65,  8.97	0.15, 8.47	0.00, 7.97	0.00, 7.47	0.00,  6.47
7	3.56, 12.53	3.06, 12.03	2.56, 11.53	2.09, 11.03	1.59, 10.53	1.18, 10.03	(0.89, 9.53)	0.39,  9.03	0.00, 8.53	0.00, 7.53
8	3.96, 13.99	3.46, 13.49	2.96, 12.99	$2.51,\!12.49$	2.14, 11.99	1.81, 11.49	1.51, 10.99	1.06, 10.49	0.66, 9.99	0.00, 8.99
9	4.36, 15.30	3.86, 14.80	3.36, 14.30	$2.91,\!13.80$	2.53, 13.30	2.19, 12.80	1.88, 12.30	1.59, 11.80	1.33, 11.30	0.43, 10.30
10	5.50, 16.50	5.00, 16.00	4.50, 15.50	4.00, 15.00	3.50, 14.50	3.04, 14.00	2.63, 13.50	$2.27,\!13.00$	1.94, 12.50	1.19, 11.50
11	$5.91,\!17.81$	$5.41,\!17.31$	4.91, 16.81	4.41, 16.31	$3.91,\!15.81$	3.45, 15.31	3.04, 14.81	2.67, 14.31	2.33, 13.81	1.73, 12.81
12	7.01, 19.00	$6.51,\!18.50$	6.01, 18.00	$5.51,\!17.50$	$5.01,\!17.00$	4.51, 16.50	4.01, 16.00	$3.54,\!15.50$	3.12, 15.00	2.38, 14.00
13	$7.42,\!20.05$	6.92, 19.55	6.42, 19.05	$5.92,\!18.55$	$5.42,\!18.05$	$4.92,\!17.55$	$4.42,\!17.05$	3.95, 16.55	3.53, 16.05	2.78, 15.05
14	8.50, 21.50	8.00, 21.00	7.50, 20.50	7.00, 20.00	6.50, 19.50	6.00, 19.00	5.50, 18.50	5.00, 18.00	4.50, 17.50	3.59, 16.50
15	9.48, 22.52	$8.98,\!22.02$	8.48, 21.52	$7.98,\!21.02$	$7.48,\!20.52$	6.98, 20.02	6.48, 19.52	5.98, 19.02	5.48, 18.52	4.48, 17.52
16	$9.99,\!23.99$	$9.49,\!23.49$	8.99, 22.99	$8.49,\!22.49$	7.99, 21.99	7.49, 21.49	6.99, 20.99	$6.49,\!20.49$	5.99, 19.99	4.99, 18.99
17	$11.04,\!25.02$	$10.54,\!24.52$	$10.04,\!24.02$	$9.54,\!23.52$	$9.04,\!23.02$	8.54, 22.52	$8.04,\!22.02$	7.54, 21.52	7.04, 21.02	6.04, 20.02
18	11.47, 26.16	$10.97,\!25.66$	$10.47,\!25.16$	$9.97,\!24.66$	$9.47,\!24.16$	$8.97,\!23.66$	$8.47,\!23.16$	$7.97,\!22.66$	7.47, 22.16	6.47, 21.16
19	$12.51,\!27.51$	$12.01,\!27.01$	$11.51,\!26.51$	$11.01,\!26.01$	$10.51,\!25.51$	$10.01,\!25.01$	$9.51,\!24.51$	$9.01,\!24.01$	$8.51,\!23.51$	$7.51,\!22.51$
20	13.55, 28.52	13.05,28.02	12.55,27.52	12.05,27.02	11.55,26.52	11.05,26.02	10.55,25.52	10.05,25.02	9.55,24.52	8.55,23.52

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#### FeldmanCousins utility gives for x=7, b=3 gives an interval:

- $\mu \in [0.4, 10.7]$  with default settings (step size of 0.15)
- takes ~30 seconds to test 100 points at 95% confidence
- compare to original paper  $\mu \in [0.3, 10.8]$

TABLE VI. 95% C.L. intervals for the Poisson signal mean  $\mu$ , for total events observed  $n_0$ , for known mean background b ranging from 0 to 5.

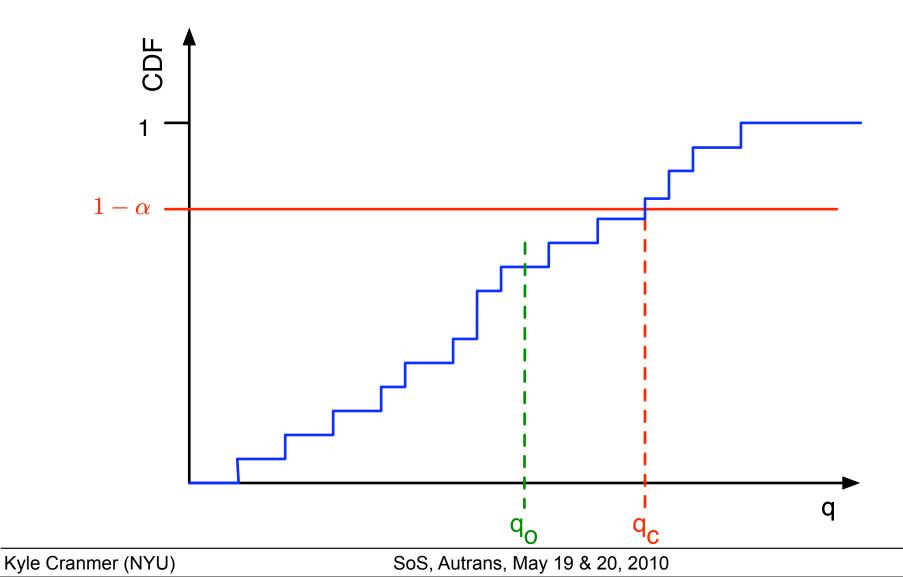
$n_0 ackslash b$	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
0	0.00,  3.09	0.00, 2.63	0.00, 2.33	0.00, 2.05	0.00, 1.78	0.00, 1.78	0.00, 1.63	0.00, 1.63	0.00, 1.57	0.00, 1.54
1	0.05,  5.14	0.00, 4.64	0.00, 4.14	0.00,  3.69	0.00,  3.30	0.00, 2.95	0.00, 2.63	0.00, 2.33	0.00, 2.08	0.00,  1.88
2	0.36,  6.72	0.00,  6.22	0.00,  5.72	0.00,  5.22	0.00, 4.72	0.00, 4.25	0.00, 3.84	0.00, 3.46	0.00, 3.11	0.00, 2.49
3	0.82, 8.25	0.32, 7.75	0.00, 7.25	0.00,  6.75	0.00,  6.25	0.00, 5.75	0.00, 5.25	0.00, 4.78	0.00, 4.35	0.00,  3.58
4	1.37,  9.76	0.87,  9.26	0.37,  8.76	0.00, 8.26	0.00, 7.76	0.00, 7.26	0.00,  6.76	0.00,  6.26	0.00, 5.76	0.00,  4.84
5	1.84, 11.26	1.47, 10.76	0.97, 10.26	0.47,  9.76	0.00, 9.26	0.00, 8.76	0.00, 8.26	0.00, 7.76	0.00, 7.26	0.00,  6.26
6	2.21, 12.75	1.90, 12.25	1.61, 11.75	1.11, 11.25	0.61, 10.75	0.11, 10.25	0.00, 9.75	0.00, 9.25	0.00, 8.75	0.00, 7.75
7	2.58, 13.81	2.27, 13.31	$1.97,\!12.81$	1.69, 12.31	1.29, 11.81	0.79, 11.31		0.00,10.31	,	0.00, 8.81
8	2.94, 15.29	2.63, 14.79	2.33, 14.29	2.05, 13.79	1.78, 13.29	1.48, 12.79	0.98,12.29	0.48, 11.79	0.00, 11.29	0.00, 10.29
9	4.36, 16.77	3.86, 16.27	3.36, 15.77	$2.91,\!15.27$	2.46, 14.77	1.96, 14.27	1.62, 13.77	1.20, 13.27	0.70, 12.77	0.00, 11.77
10	4.75, 17.82	4.25, 17.32	3.75, 16.82	3.30, 16.32	$2.92,\!15.82$	2.57, 15.32	2.25, 14.82	1.82, 14.32	1.43, 13.82	$0.43,\!12.82$
11	5.14, 19.29	4.64, 18.79	4.14, 18.29	3.69, 17.79	3.30, 17.29	2.95, 16.79	2.63, 16.29	2.33, 15.79	2.04, 15.29	$1.17,\!14.29$
12	$6.32,\!20.34$	5.82, 19.84	5.32, 19.34	4.82, 18.84	4.32, 18.34	3.85, 17.84	3.44, 17.34	3.06, 16.84	2.69, 16.34	$1.88,\!15.34$
13	$6.72,\!21.80$	6.22, 21.30	$5.72,\!20.80$	$5.22,\!20.30$	4.72, 19.80	4.25, 19.30	3.84, 18.80	3.46, 18.30	3.11, 17.80	$2.47,\!16.80$
14	7.84, 22.94	7.34, 22.44	6.84, 21.94	6.34, 21.44	5.84, 20.94	5.34, 20.44	4.84, 19.94	4.37, 19.44	3.94, 18.94	$3.10,\!17.94$
15	$8.25,\!24.31$	7.75, 23.81	7.25, 23.31	6.75, 22.81	6.25, 22.31	5.75, 21.81	5.25, 21.31	4.78, 20.81	4.35, 20.31	3.58, 19.31
16	$9.34,\!25.40$	8.84, 24.90	$8.34,\!24.40$	7.84, 23.90	7.34, 23.40	6.84, 22.90	6.34, 22.40	5.84, 21.90	5.34, 21.40	$4.43,\!20.40$
17	9.76, 26.81	9.26, 26.31	$8.76,\!25.81$	$8.26,\!25.31$	7.76, 24.81	7.26, 24.31	6.76, 23.81	6.26, 23.31	5.76, 22.81	4.84, 21.81
18	$10.84,\!27.84$	$10.34,\!27.34$	9.84, 26.84	9.34, 26.34	$8.84,\!25.84$	8.34, 25.34	7.84, 24.84	7.34, 24.34	6.84, 23.84	5.84, 22.84
19	11.26, 29.31	10.76, 28.81	$10.26,\!28.31$	$9.76,\!27.81$	$9.26,\!27.31$	8.76, 26.81	8.26, 26.31	7.76, 25.81	7.26, 25.31	6.26, 24.31
20	12.33,30.33	11.83,29.83	11.33,29.33	10.83,28.83	10.33,28.33	9.83,27.83	9.33,27.33	8.83,26.83	8.33,26.33	7.33,25.33

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The critical  $q_c$  is defined when as value of q such that acceptance region covers  $1 - \alpha$  of of sampling distribution.

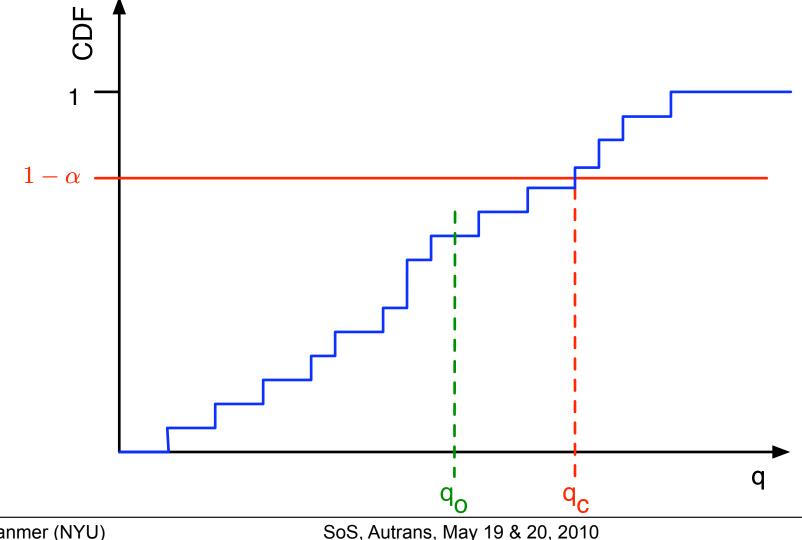
• If  $q_o < q_c$ , data falls in acceptance region, point in interval



#### Adaptive Sampling Algorithm

But q<sub>c</sub> can fluctuate due to finite number of samples. Ideally, we would have very many samples and error on q<sub>c</sub> would be small.

but generating samples take time, want to minimize CPU time

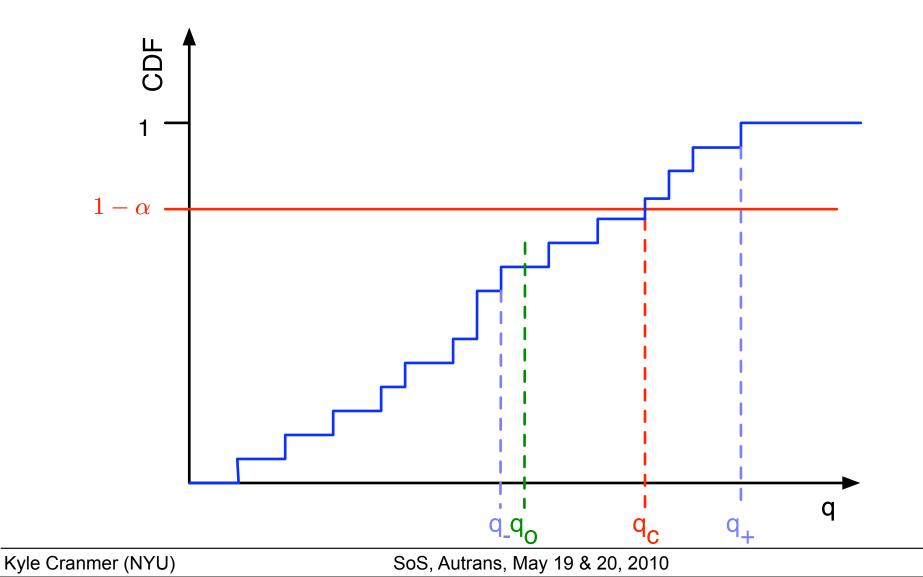






Using Binomial type fluctuations, we can find "+/- 1 sigma" error on critical value: call them  $q_{-}$  and  $q_{+}$ 

· If  $q_- < q_0 < q_+$ , we need more samples to determine if in interval

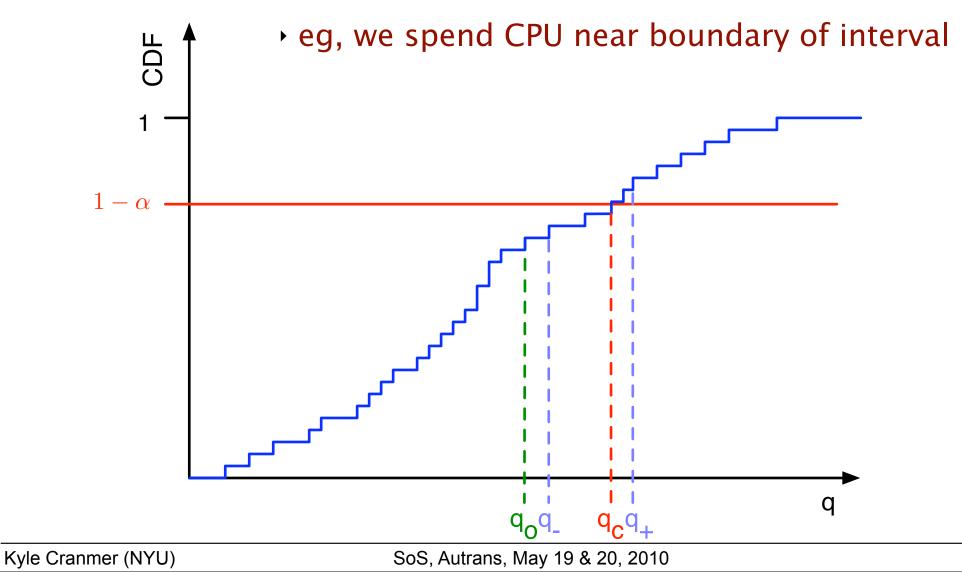




So add 2x more samples, and repeat

• in this example we now have established  $q_0 < q_c$  within errors

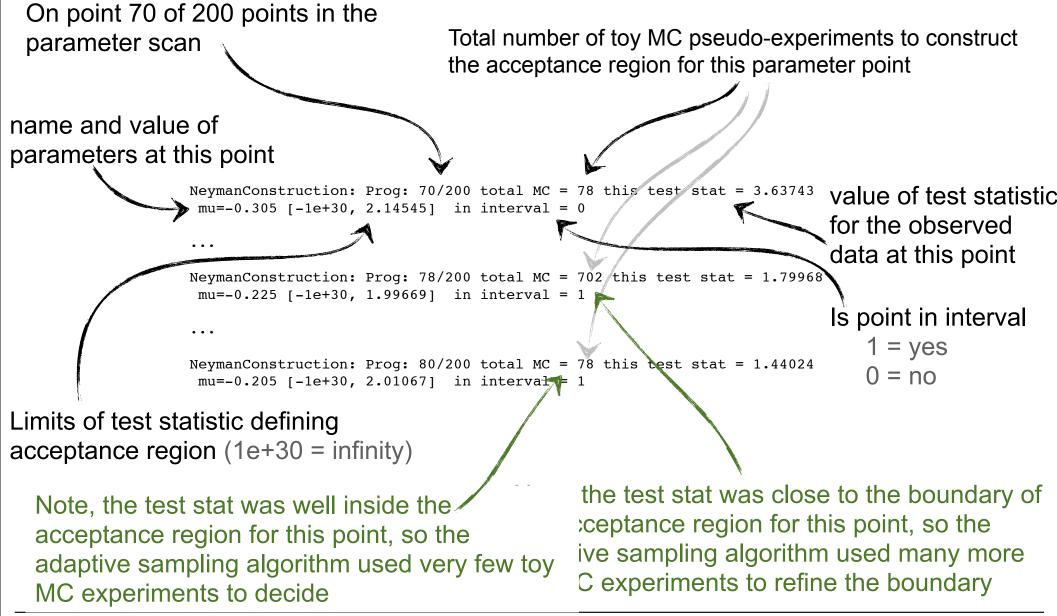
Note, if  $q_0$  is very large or very small, we don't need more samples



## Feldman Cousins Progress Printouts



#### The NeymanConstruction provides printouts as it scans the parameter space



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## **Neutrino Oscillation Example**



#### I coded up neutrino oscillation experiment based on description of in Feldman & Cousins's original paper.

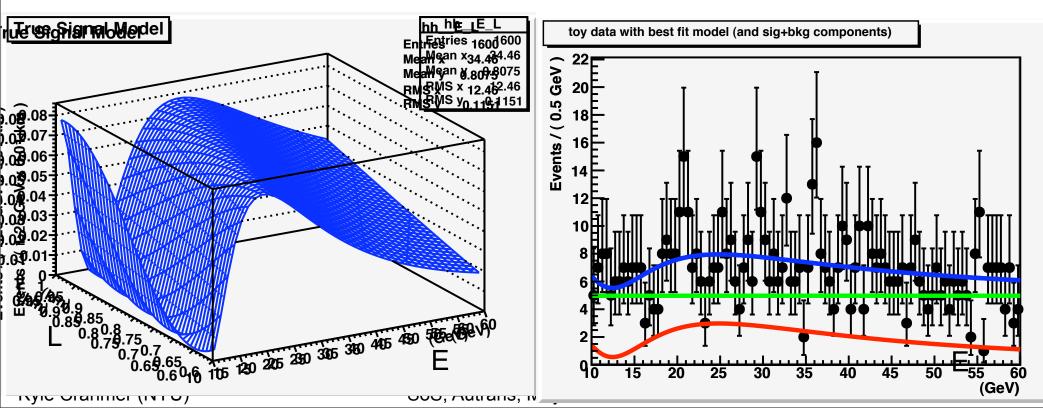
Generate toy data at same true parameters and compare RooStats with results in paper

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{e}) = \sin^{2}(2\theta) \sin^{2}\left(\frac{1.27\Delta m^{2}L}{E}\right), \qquad (5.3)$$

where P is the probability for a  $\nu_{\mu}$  to transform into a  $\nu_e$ , L is the distance in km between the creation of the neutrino from meson decay and its interaction in the detector, E is the neutrino energy in GeV, and  $\Delta m^2 = |m_1^2 - m_2^2|$  in  $(eV/c^2)^2$ .

To demonstrate how this works in practice, and how it compares to alternative approaches that have been used, we consider a toy model of a typical neutrino oscillation experiment. The toy model is defined by the following parameters: Mesons are assumed to decay to neutrinos uniformly in a region 600 m to 1000 m from the detector. The expected background from conventional  $\nu_e$  interactions and misidentified  $\nu_{\mu}$  interactions is assumed to be 100 events in each of 5 energy bins which span the region from 10 to 60 GeV. We assume that the  $\nu_{\mu}$  flux is such that if  $P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) = 0.01$  averaged over any bin, then that bin would have an expected additional contribution of 100 events due to  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$  oscillations.

#### http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs401d\_FeldmanCousins.C.html



#### **Local Minima Solution**

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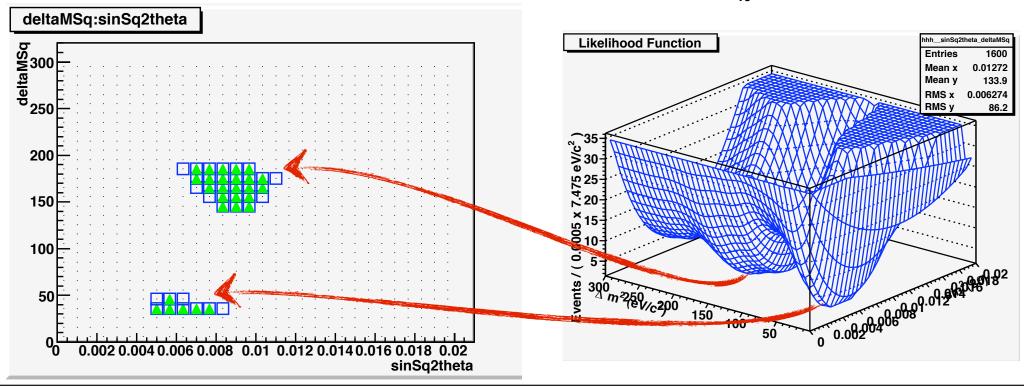
#### True Signal Model Green triangles: Profile Likelihood Ratio (Wilks' theorem)

hh\_E\_L Entries 1600 Mean x 34.46 Mean y 0.8075 RMS x 12.46 RMS y 0.1151

Blue squares: Feldman Cousins (uses like another of the squares: Feldman Cousins (uses like another of the squares is the statistic)<sup>™</sup>

## **Problem:** test statistic is evaluated for several toy data sets, and often MINUIT would find local minima either for to be for observed data.

**Solution:** introduced mechanism to enforce consistent starting points for minimization. Ensures consistency for test statistic on observed data throughout parameter space. Still can have problems for toys for toys 10 45 50 (50 10) 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 (50 10)



toy data with best in model (and sig+bkg components)

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## Comparison with Paper



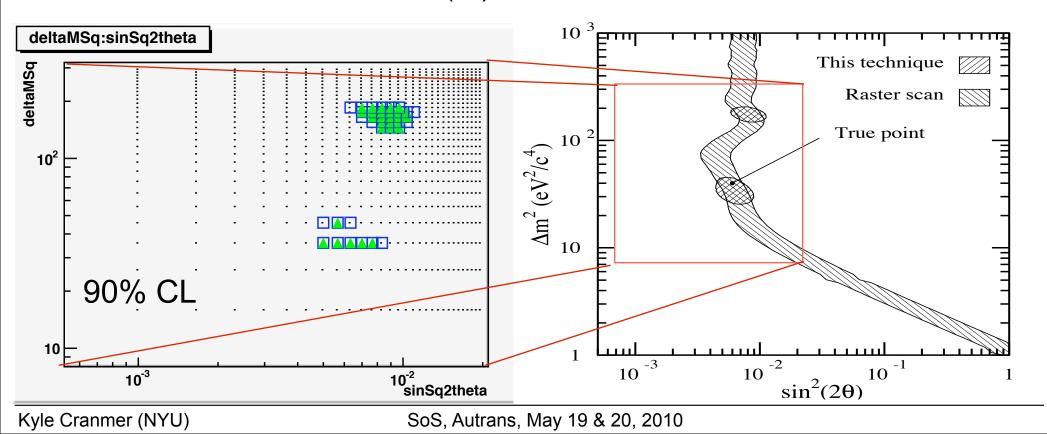
Green triangles: Profile Likelihood Ratio (Wilks' theorem)

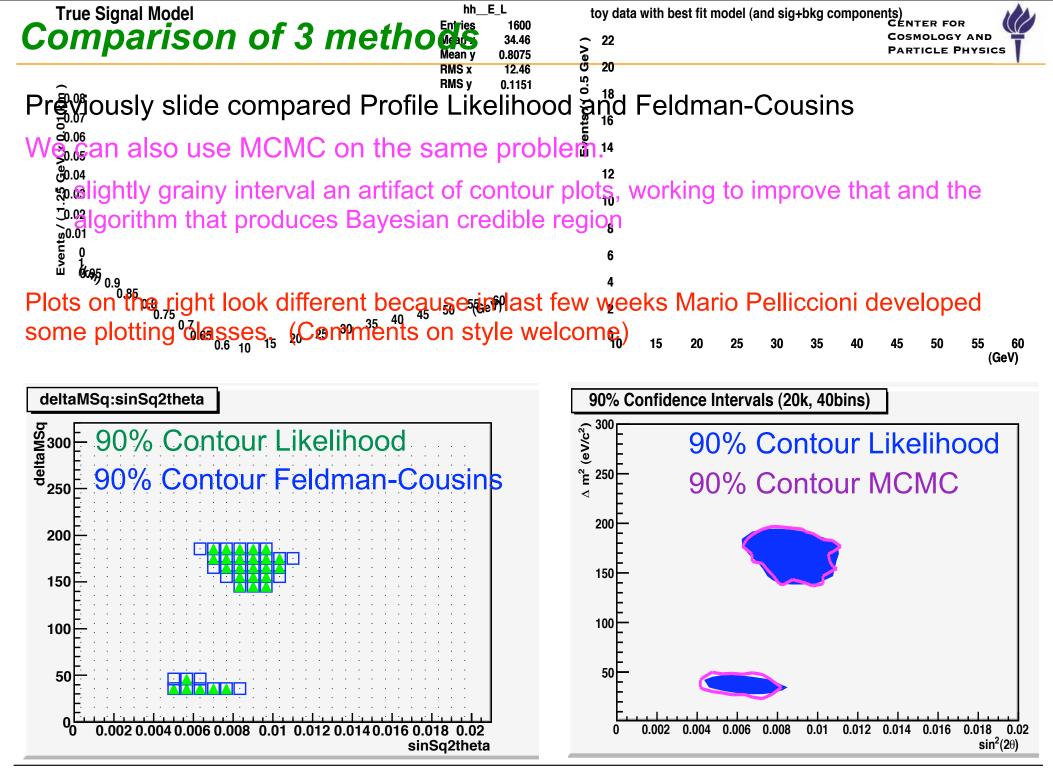
Blue squares: Feldman Cousins (uses likelihood ratio as test statistic)

**Agreement!** The RooStats code is able to reproduce Fig 12 from the original Feldman Cousins paper. (not exactly the same toy data)

**Comment:** This is now in ROOT's tutorials: tutorial/roostats/rs401d\_FeldmanCousins.C

40	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
									(G	eV)





## Critical cutoff vs. Wilks' Theorem



#### Critical cutoff varies from Wilks' depending on value of parameters

#### developing a utility in RooStats to make this comparison

One might naively expect that  $\Delta \chi_c^2 = 4.61$ , the 90% C.L. value for a  $\chi^2$  distribution with two degrees of freedom. For the toy model, it actually varies from about 2.4 to 6.6 across the  $\sin^2(2\theta) - \Delta m^2$  plane. The deviation from 4.61 is caused by at least three effects:

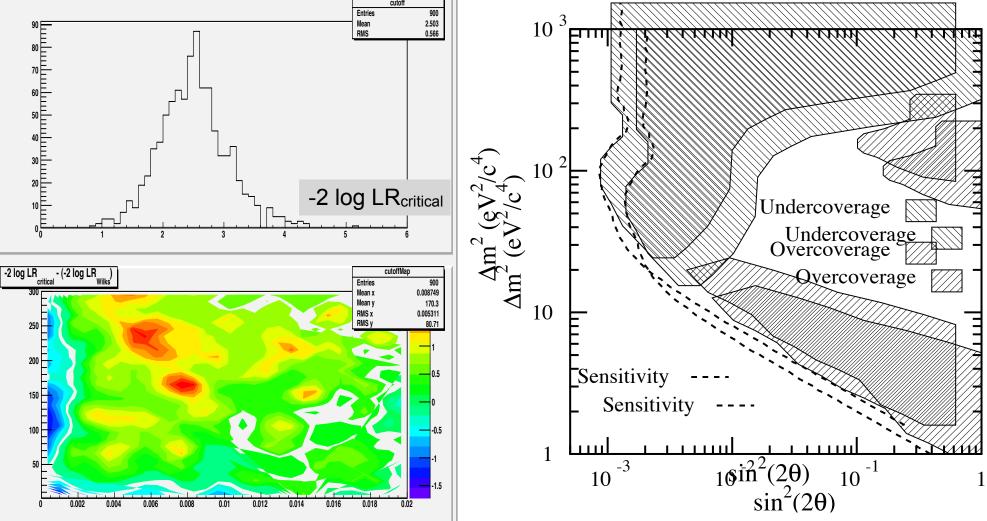


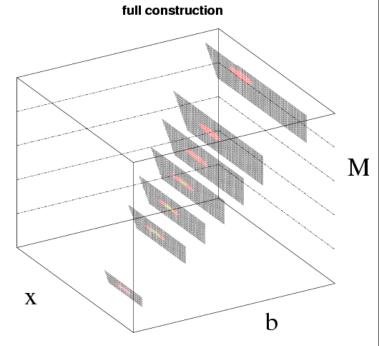
FIG. 14. Regions of significant under- and overcoverage for the Global Scan.

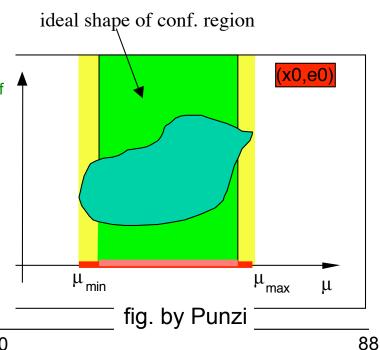
#### Neyman Construction with Nuisance Parameters

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How do you extend the Neyman Construction to include nuisance parameters?

- Bayesian hybrid approach
  - eg. marginalize and only consider parameters of interest in construction ("FC<sup>2</sup>H") -- requires a new test statistic (in progress)
- [14] F. Tegenfeldt, J. Conrad, "On Bayesian treatement of systematic uncertainties in confidence interval calculations," Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A539, 407-413 (2005). [physics/0408039].
- [19] G. C. Hill, "Comment on 'Including systematic uncertainties in confidence interval construction for Poisson statistics'," Phys. Rev. D67, 118101 (2003). [physics/0302057].
- Frequentist approach
  - · generalize the ordering rule
    - eg. use profile likelihood ratio, Cranmer, PhyStat03 & Punzi, PhyStat05
  - 1. do the "full construction": eg, construction over params of interest and nuisance parameters
    - Projection of intervals can cause overcoverage
  - 2. do the "profile construction": eg. only consider sub-space of conditional M.L.E. of the nuisance parameters given data & parameters of interest (eg. the "hat hat" variables).
    - Only approximate coverage, but good in practice
  - **3.** same as above, but calibrate the threshold on the ordering rule to ensure coverage
  - [22] K. S. Cranmer, "Frequentist hypothesis testing with background uncertainty," [physics/0310108].
  - [23] G. Punzi, "Ordering algorithms and confidence intervals in the presence of nuisance parameters," [physics/0511202].





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## **The Profile Construction**

Gary Feldman presented an approximate Neyman Construction, based on the same ordering rule, but only on a subspace of the parameters based on profiling

The profile construction means that one does not need to scan each nuisance parameter

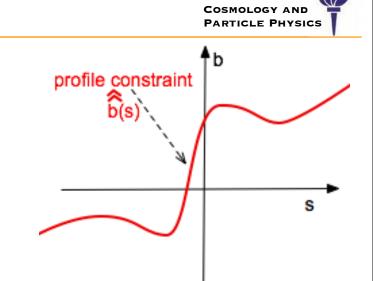
• easier computationally

This approximation does not guarantee exact coverage, but

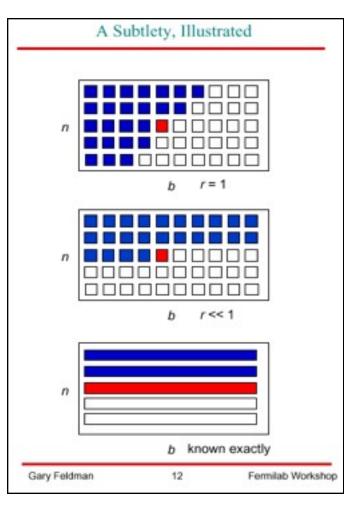
tests indicate impressive performance

This is **default** implementation of FeldmanCousins calculator if the model has nuisance parameters

 Note that when using profile likelihood ratio, we are testing considering the same sub-space.



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#### Generalizing the ordering rule (Frequentist)



At the 2000 Stat. Conference at FermiLab, Feldman showed that Unified Method with Nuisance Parameters is in Kendall's Theory (chapter on Likelihood ratio tests & test efficiency)

	Variable	Meaning
	$ heta_r$	physics parameters
	$ heta_s$	nuisance parameters
	$\hat{ heta}_r, \hat{ heta}_s$	unconditionally maximize $L(x \hat{ heta}_r,\hat{ heta}_s)$
	$\hat{\hat{ heta}}_s$	conditionally maximize $L(x  heta_{r0},\hat{\hat{ heta}}_s)$
$(H_0: heta_r=$	$= \theta_{r0})$	Now consider the Likelihood Ratio
$(H_1:\theta_r\neq\theta_{r0})$		$l = \frac{L(x \theta_{r0}, \hat{\hat{\theta}}_s)}{L(x \hat{\theta}_r, \hat{\theta}_s)}$

Intuitively l is a reasonable test statistic for  $H_0$ : it is the maximum likelihood under  $H_0$  as a fraction of its largest possible value, and large values of l signify that  $H_0$  is reasonably acceptable.

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## To do for Neyman Construction class

Under development (as of May 2010):

- finalized ConfidenceBelt class
  - will support read/write, merging, refining, plotting, etc.
- general performance improvements & code optimization
- ability to run parameter points in parallel using PROOF
- improved visualization of the result
- easier control over parameter points being scanned
  - scan within a range, logarithmic scanning for selected variables, ...
- additional choices for test statistic
  - marginalized likeilihood ratio, mean of dataset, N events in cut, ...
- additional choices for test stat sampler
  - importance sampling, analytic convolution via FFT (for some problems)

## More about the MCMC Calculator



Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) is a nice technique which will produce a sampling of a parameter space which is proportional to a posterior

- it works well in high dimensional problems
- Metropolis–Hastings Algorithm: generates a sequence of points  $\{ec{lpha}^{(t)}\}$ 
  - Given the likelihood function  $L(\vec{\alpha})$  & prior  $P(\vec{\alpha})$ , the posterior is proportional to  $L(\vec{\alpha})\cdot P(\vec{\alpha})$
  - propose a point  $\vec{\alpha}'$  to be added to the chain according to a proposal density  $Q(\vec{\alpha}'|\vec{\alpha})$  that depends only on current point  $\vec{\alpha}$
  - if posterior is higher at  $\vec{\alpha}'$  than at  $\vec{\alpha}$ , then add new point to chain
  - else: add  $\vec{\alpha}'$  to the chain with probability

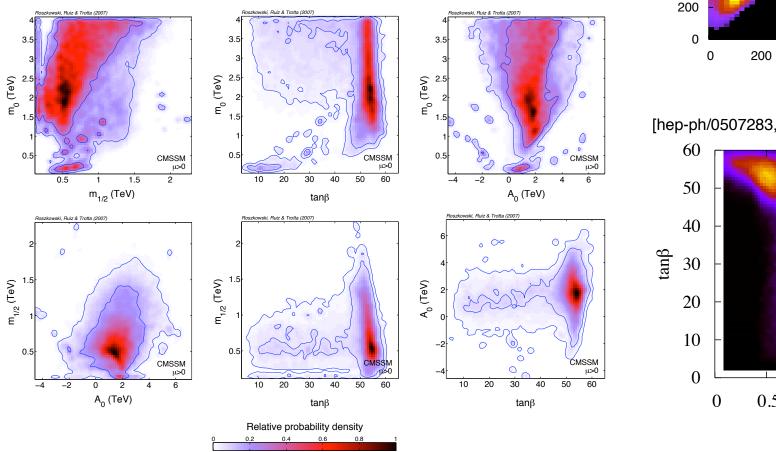
$$\rho = \frac{L(\vec{\alpha}') \cdot P(\vec{\alpha}')}{L(\vec{\alpha}) \cdot P(\vec{\alpha})} \cdot \frac{Q(\vec{\alpha}|\vec{\alpha}')}{Q(\vec{\alpha}'|\vec{\alpha})}$$

- (appending original point  $\vec{lpha}$  with complementary probability)
- RooStats works with any  $L(\vec{\alpha})$ ,  $P(\vec{\alpha})$
- Since last week: can use any RooFit PDF as proposal function  $Q(\vec{\alpha}'|\vec{\alpha})$ Work done primarily by Kevin Belasco, a Princeton undergraduate I'm working with.

#### **Use of Markov Chain Monte Carlo**

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Markov Chain Monte Carlo is what is used to make these types of "weather forecasts" that scan SUSY parameter space based on existing measurements for WMAP, precision electroweak, etc.



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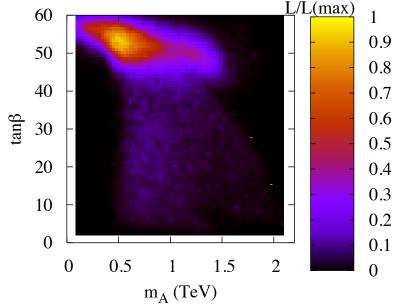
[arXiv:0710.2822]

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[hep-ph/0507283, hep-ph/0601089, arXiv:0705.0487]

 $m_0$ 

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#### MCMCCalculator implements the interface for IntervalCalculator

- it runs Metropolis-Hastings sampling, but that is of general use, so that is it's own class.
- The MetropolisHastings sampler will return a MarkovChain
- The MetropolisHastings algorithm needs a ProposalFunction, which is an abstract interface
  - We can support arbitrary RooFit PDFs as proposal functions
  - Provide ProposerHelper tool to make it easier to make them
- The MCMCInterval will use the chain to make the smallest interval it can
- The MCMCIntervalPlot class for visualizing results

To do:

- run parallel chains and support merging
- Provide convergence tests and auto-detect burn-in



#### 6.6.1 MCMCCalculator

MCMCCalculator runs the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm (section 6.6.3) with the parameters of your model, a -log(Likelihood) function constructed from the model and data set, and a ProposalFunction (section 6.6.2). This generates a Markov chain posterior sampling, which is used to create an MCMCInterval (section 6.6.4).

The most basic usage of an MCMCCalculator is automatically set up with the simplified 3-arg constructor (or 4-arg with RooWorkspace). This automatic configuration package consists of a UniformProposal, 10,000 Metropolis-Hastings iterations, 40 burn-in steps, and 50 bins for each RooRealVar; it also determines the interval by kernel-estimation, turns on sparse histogram mode, and finds a 95% confidence interval (see sections 6.6.3 and 6.6.4 to learn about these options). These are reasonable settings designed to minimize configuration steps and hassle for beginning users, making the code very simple:

```
// data is a RooAbsData, model is a RooAbsPdf,
// and parametersOfInterest is a RooArgSet
MCMCCalculator mc(data, model, parametersOfInterest);
ConfInterval* mcmcInterval = mc.GetInterval();
```

All other MCMCCalculator constructors are designed for maximum user control and thus do not have any automatic settings. You can customize the configuration (and override any automatic settings) through the mutator methods provided by MCMCCalculator. It may be easiest to use the default no-args constructor and perform all configuration with these methods.

```
// A simple ProposalFunction
ProposalFunction* pf = new UniformProposal();
MCMCCalculator mc;
mc.SetData(data);
mc.SetPdf(model);
mc.SetParameters(parametersOfInterest);
mc.SetProposalFunction(*pf);
mc.SetNumIters(100000);
                                // Metropolis-Hastings algorithm iterations
mc.SetNumBurnInSteps(50);
                               // first N steps to be ignored as burn-in
mc.SetNumBins(50);
                                // bins to use for RooRealVars in histograms
                                // 90% confidence level
mc.SetTestSize(.1);
mc.SetUseKeys(true);
                                // Use kernel estimation to determine interval
ConfInterval * mcmcInterval = mc.GetInterval();
```

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#### 6.6.2 ProposalFunction

The ProposalFunction interface generalizes the task of proposing points in some distribution for some set of variables, presumably for use with the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.

PdfProposal is the most powerful and general ProposalFunction derived class. It proposes points in the distribution of any RooAbsPdf you pass it to serve as its proposal density function. It also provides a generalized means of updating PDF parameters based on the current values of PDF observables. This is useful for centering the proposal density function around the current point when proposing others or for advanced control over the widths of peaks or anything else in the proposal function. It also has a cacheing mechanism (off by default) which almost always significantly speeds up proposals.

Here's a PdfProposal construction example that uses a covariance matrix from the RooFitResult. Be careful that your RooArgLists have the same order of variables as the covariance matrix uses:

```
// Assume we have x, y, and z as RooRealVar* parameters of our model
// Create clones to serve as mean variables
RooRealVar* mu_x = (RooRealVar*)x->clone("mu_x");
RooRealVar* mu_y = (RooRealVar*)y->clone("mu_y");
RooRealVar* mu_z = (RooRealVar*)z->clone("mu_z");
// Fit model to data to get a covariance matrix
// (you can also just construct your own custom covariance matrix)
TMatrixDSym covFit = model->fitTo(*data)->covarianceMatrix();
// Make a PDF to be our proposal density function
RooMultiVarGaussian mvg("mvg", "mvg", RooArgList(*x, *y, *z), // Careful!
                        RooArgList(*mu_x, *mu_y, *mu_z), covFit);
PdfProposal pf(mvg);
// Optional mappings to center the proposal function around the current point
pf.AddMapping(*mu_x, *x);
pf.AddMapping(*mu_y, *y);
pf.AddMapping(*mu_z, *z);
pf.SetCacheSize(100); // when we must generate proposal points, generate 100
```

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Since PdfProposal functions are powerful but annoying to build, we created Proposal-Helper to make it easier. It will build a multi-variate Gaussian proposal function and has some handy options for doing so. Here's how to create exactly the same proposal function as in the example above. Note that using RooFitResult::floatParsFinal() to set the RooArgList of variables ensures the right order.

```
RooFitResult* fit = model->fitTo(*data);
// Easy ProposalFunction construction with ProposalHelper
ProposalHelper ph;
ph.SetVariables(fit->floatParsFinal());
ph.SetCovMatrix(fit->covarianceMatrix());
ph.SetUpdateProposalParameters(kTRUE); // auto-create mean vars and add mappings
ph.SetCacheSize(100);
ProposalFunction* pf = ph.GetProposalFunction();
```

ProposalHelper can also create a PdfProposal with a "Bank of Clues" (cite paper) component. This will add a PDF with a kernel placed at each "clue" point to the proposal density function. This will increase the frequency of proposals in the clue regions which can be especially useful for helping the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm find small and/or distant regions of interest (no free lunch, of course, you need to know these regions beforehand to pick the clue points). Just pass a RooDataSet with (possibly weighted) entries for each clue



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```
// assume bankOfClues is a RooDataSet with weighted "clues" as entries
RooArgSet vars(x,y);
ProposalHelper ph;
ph.SetVariables(vars);
ph.SetClues(bankOfClues); // use bankOfClues to make a clues PDF
ph.SetCluesFraction(0.15); // clues PDF accounts for 15% of PDF integral
ph.SetUpdateProposalParameters(kTRUE); // auto-create mean vars and add mappings
ph.SetCacheSize(100);
ProposalFunction* pf = ph.GetProposalFunction();
```

Using the covariance matrix from a RooFitResult is not required. If you do not set the covariance matrix, ProposalHelper constructs a pretty good default for you – a diagonal matrix with sigmas set to some fraction of the range of each corresponding RooRealVar. You can set this fraction yourself (the default is 1/6th).

To help Metropolis-Hastings find small and/or distant regions of interest that you do not know beforehand, you can set ProposalHelper to add a fraction of uniform proposal density to the proposal function. Use the ProposalHelper::SetUniformFraction() method to choose what fraction the uniform PDF makes up of the entire proposal function integral.

UniformProposal is a specialized implementation of a ProposalFunction that proposes points in a uniform distribution over the range of the variables. Its low overhead as compared to a PdfProposal using a RooUniform PDF and guaranteed symmetry makes it much faster at proposing in a purely uniform distribution. UniformProposal does not need a cacheing mechanism.

#### The Metropolis Hastings Sampler

#### 6.6.3 MetropolisHastings

A MetropolisHastings object runs the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm to construct a Markov chain posterior sampling of a function. At each step in the algorithm, a new point is proposed (section 6.6.2) and possibly "visited" based on its likelihood relative to the current point. Even when the proposal density function is not symmetric, MetropolisHastings maintains detailed balance when constructing the Markov chain by counterbalancing the relative likelihood between the two points with the relative proposal density. That is, given the current point x, proposed point x', likelihood function L, and proposal density function Q, we visit x' iff

MetropolisHastings supports ordinary and log-scale functions. This is particularly useful for handling either regular likelihood or 
$$\pm$$
log-likelihood functions. You must tell MetropolisHastings the type and sign of function the you have supplied (if you supply a regular function make sure that it is never 0). Then set a ProposalFunction, parameters to propose for, and a number of algorithm iterations. Call ConstructChain() to get the Markov chain.

$$\frac{L(x')}{L(x)}\frac{Q(x|x')}{Q(x'|x)} \ge Rand[0,1]$$

```
RooAbsReal* function = new RooGaussian("gauss", "gauss" x, mu, sigma);
RooArgSet vars(x);
```

```
// make our MetropolisHastings object
MetropolisHastings mh;
mh.SetFunction(*function); // function to sample
mh.SetType(MetropolisHastings::kRegular);
mh.SetSign(MetropolisHastings::kPositive);
mh.SetProposalFunction(proposalFunction);
mh.SetParameters(vars);
mh.SetNumIters(10000);
MarkovChain* chain = mh.ConstructChain();
```

Here's how to do a similar task using a negative log-likelihood function instead:

```
RooAbsReal* nll = pdf->createNLL(*data);
RooArgSet* vars = nll->getParameters(*data);
RemoveConstantParameters(vars); // to be safe
MetropolisHastings mh;
mh.SetFunction(*nll); // function to sample
mh.SetType(MetropolisHastings::kLog);
mh.SetSign(MetropolisHastings::kNegative);
mh.SetProposalFunction(proposalFunction);
mh.SetParameters(*vars);
mh.SetNumIters(10000);
MarkovChain* chain = mh.ConstructChain();
```

#### **MCMC** Interval

#### 6.6.4 MCMCInterval

MCMCInterval is a ConfInterval that determines the confidence interval on your parameters from a MarkovChain (section 6.6.6) generated by Monte Carlo. To determine the confidence interval, MCMCInterval integrates the posterior where it is the tallest until it finds the correct cutoff height C to give the target confidence level P. That is, to find

$$\int_{f(\mathbf{x}) \ge C} f(\mathbf{x}) \, d^n x = P$$

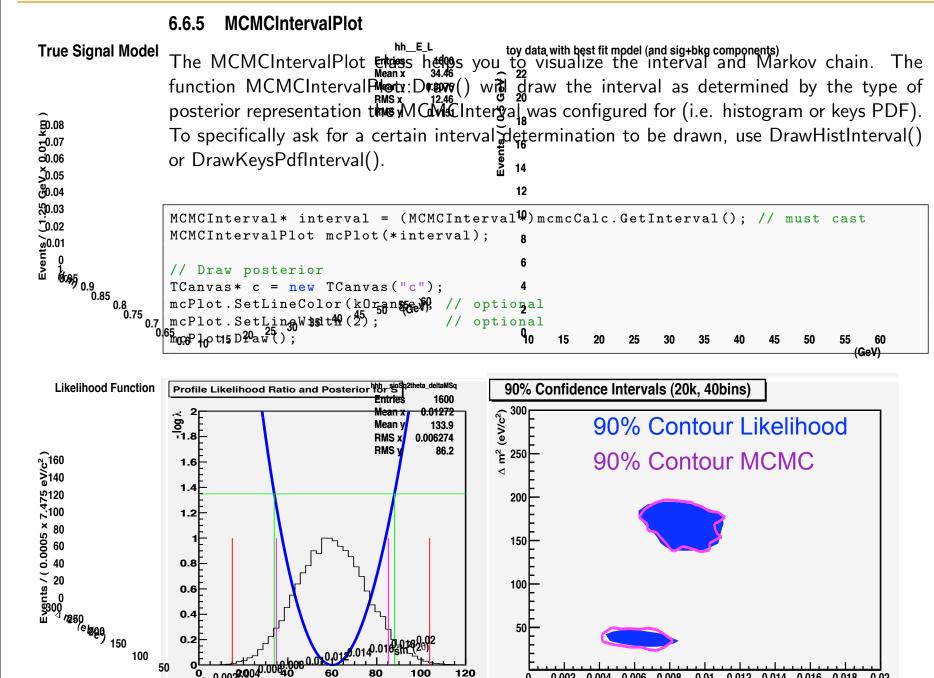
MCMCInterval has a few methods for representing the posterior to do this integration. The default is simply as a histogram, so this integral turns into a summation of bin heights. If you have no more than 3 parameters and 100 bins, a standard histogram will be fine. However, for higher dimensions or bin numbers, it is faster and less memory intensive to use a sparse histogram data structure (aside: in a regular histogram, 4 variables with 100 bins each requires  $\sim$ 4GB of contiguous memory, a tall order). By default, the histogram method adds bins to the interval until at least the desired confidence level has been reached (use MCMCInterval::SetHistStrict() to change this).

Another posterior representation option is kernel-estimation (often termed "keys") using a RooNDKeysPdf, which has more theoretical validity because it takes the arbitrariness out of choosing a histogram binning. The kernel-estimation method usually takes longer than the histogram method because it typically requires several integrations to find the right cutoff such that  $|P_{calculated} - P_{target}| < \epsilon$  ( $\epsilon = 0.01$  by default).

To try to remove the arbitrariness of the starting point in the Markov chain, which was rather random when it was generated by MetropolisHastings, a certain number of "burn-in" steps can be ignored from the beginning of the chain. Generally it is a good idea to use burn-in, but the number of steps to discard depends on the function you are sampling and your proposal function, so it is off by default. Usually you will tell the MCMCCalculator (section 6.6.1) the number of burn-in steps to use by calling MCMCCalculator::SetNumBurnInSteps(), since it configures the MCMCInterval. For future versions, automatic burn-in step calculations are being considered.

#### **MCMC** Interval Plot





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#### 6.6.6 MarkovChain

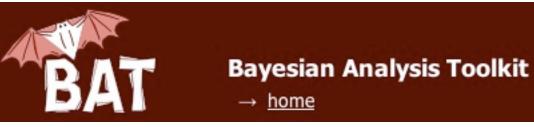
A MarkovChain stores a series of weighted steps through N-dimensional space in which each step depended only on the one before it. Each step in the chain also has a -log(likelihood) value associated with it. The class supplies some simple methods to access each step in the chain in order:

```
MCMCInterval* interval = (MCMCInterval*)mcmcCalc.GetInterval(); // must cast
const MarkovChain* chain = interval->GetChain();
// Print the contents of the chain
for (Int_t i = 0; i < chain->Size(); i++) {
   cout << "Entry # " << i << endl;
   const RooArgSet* entry = chain->Get(i);
   entry->Print("v");
   cout << "weight = " << chain->Weight() << endl; // weight of current entry
   cout << "NLL = " << chain->NLL() << endl; // NLL value of current entry
}
```

## **Relationship to BAT**



We have a good relationship with developers of BAT which also implements the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm



http://www.mppmu.mpg.de/bat/

Gregory Schott has developed an adaptor so that BAT can use a RooFit/RooStats model and data stored in a RooWorkspace.

- This is useful for cross-checks of the RooStats MCMC
- Also developing interface so that BAT is implementation of a second MCMC tool

Given BAT, why have MCMC in RooStats at all?

- Primary goal of RooStats is to have Bayesian, Frequentist, and Likelihood-based statistical formalism working with a common interface.
  - ie. we need an MCMC algorithm that inherits from IntervalCalculator and returns a ConfidenceInterval.
- Also, we found several places that we can make optimizations or utilize other functionality within RooStats to improve our MCMC implementation
- Finally, good training and nice to have cross-checks

## More about the Hybrid Calculator

## Hybrid Methods: "Cousins-Highland"

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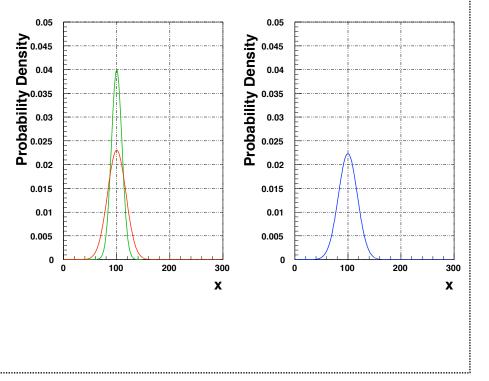
#### At LEP the Cousins-Highland Method was used for Systematics

[12] R. D. Cousins, V. L. Highland, "Incorporating systematic uncertainties into an upper limit," Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A320, 331-335 (1992).

The Cousins-Highland method integrates-out b

$$L(x|H_0, M) = \int_b L(x|b)L(b|M)$$

But it uses a Bayesian notion L(b) $L(b|M) = \frac{L(M|b) L(b)}{L(M)}$ 



That's why we call it the HybridCalculator, because of Bayesian ingredient

- · More consistent to think of L(M|b) as part of the model and L(b) as a prior
- This Hybrid approach to nuisance parameters has been used in a NeymanConstruction before, but it is NOT the Feldman-Cousins technique
- · See papers by <u>G. Hill</u>, <u>Conrad et. al</u>, <u>Tegenfeldt & Conrad</u> (they call it FHC<sup>2</sup>)

## **Hybrid Solutions**



Goal of Bayesian-frequentist hybrid solutions is to provide a frequentist treatment of the main measurement, while eliminating nuisance parameters (deal with systematics) with an intuitive Bayesian technique.

$$P(n_{\rm on}|s) = \int db \operatorname{Pois}(n_{\rm on}|s+b) \pi(b), \qquad p = \sum_{n \in n_{\rm obs}}^{\infty} P(n|s)$$

Principled version (eg.  $Z_{\Gamma}$ ):

• clearly state prior  $\eta(b)$ ; identify control samples (sidebands) and use:

$$\pi(b) = P(b|n_{\text{off}}) = \frac{P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}{\int db P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}$$

Ad-hoc version (eg.  $Z_N$ ):

- unable or unwilling to justify  $\pi(b)$ , so go straight to some distribution
  - eg. a Gaussian, truncated Gaussian, log normal, Gamma, etc...
  - often the case for real systematic uncertainty (eg. MC generators, different background estimation techniques, etc.)

#### Recommendation: Avoid ad hoc priors if possible.

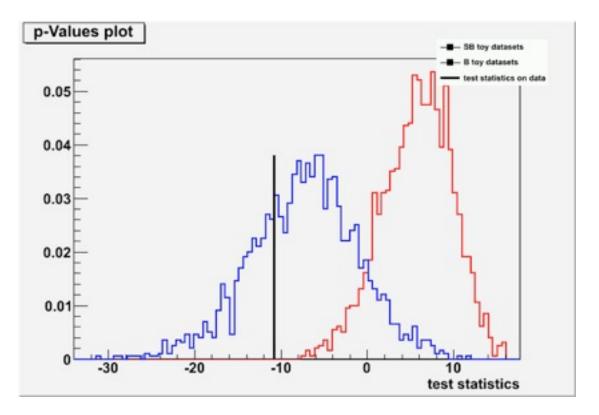
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## **Refactoring the HybridCalculator**



The HybridCalculator is undergoing a major redesign to use the same TestStatistic/TestStatSampler/SamplingDistribution design as the NeymanConstruction tools.

target: end of summer 2010



# A Little about Combinations

#### Basic formalism: one dataset



Start with a **model** for the data, eg. a probability density function for *x* written  $P(x|\mu,\nu)$  that is parametrized by

- parameters of interest:  $\mu: m_H, \sigma, ...$
- nuisance parameters:  $\nu: b, JES, \epsilon_b, ...$

The likelihood function is given by

$$L(\mu, \nu) = \prod_{i \in \text{events}} P(x_i | \mu, \nu)$$

I will often refer to the profile likelihood ratio:

$$\lambda(\mu) = \frac{L(\mu, \hat{\hat{\nu}})}{L(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu})}$$

Where  $\hat{\hat{\nu}}$  is the maximum likelihood estimator with  $\mu$  fixed

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Remember,  $L(\mu, \nu)$  is not a probability.



With two datasets, the observables may be different and one needs a **model** for each dataset.

 models may have different nuisance parameters, but should share parameters of interst, eg.

$$P_1(x|\mu,\nu) \qquad P_2(y|\mu,\alpha)$$

The likelihood function is given by

$$L(\mu,\nu,\alpha) = \prod_{i \in \text{data1}} P_1(x_i|\mu,\nu) \cdot \prod_{i \in \text{data2}} P_2(y_i|\mu,\alpha)$$

In RooFit/RooStats, this type of situation is represented by:

- a "combined dataset" for data1, data2 with a "category label"
- a "simultaneous PDF"
  - keeps track of P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>
  - and associated category

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# **Providing ingredients via the workspace**



To perform the combination, we need these basic ingredients:

- we need the full model (eg. the simultaneous PDF) for each channel
- we need the combined dataset for each channel
- we need to know what the names of the parameters of interest are and what they correspond to for each channel
- we do NOT need to know and we don't want to worry about:
  - structure and complexity of PDF
  - structure of the combined dataset
  - anything about the nuisance parameters (unless we want to introduce correlations between them in the combination)
- technically we need any custom code, but we don't want to deal with it

This can be achieved for an arbitrary model and dataset with these 5 lines:

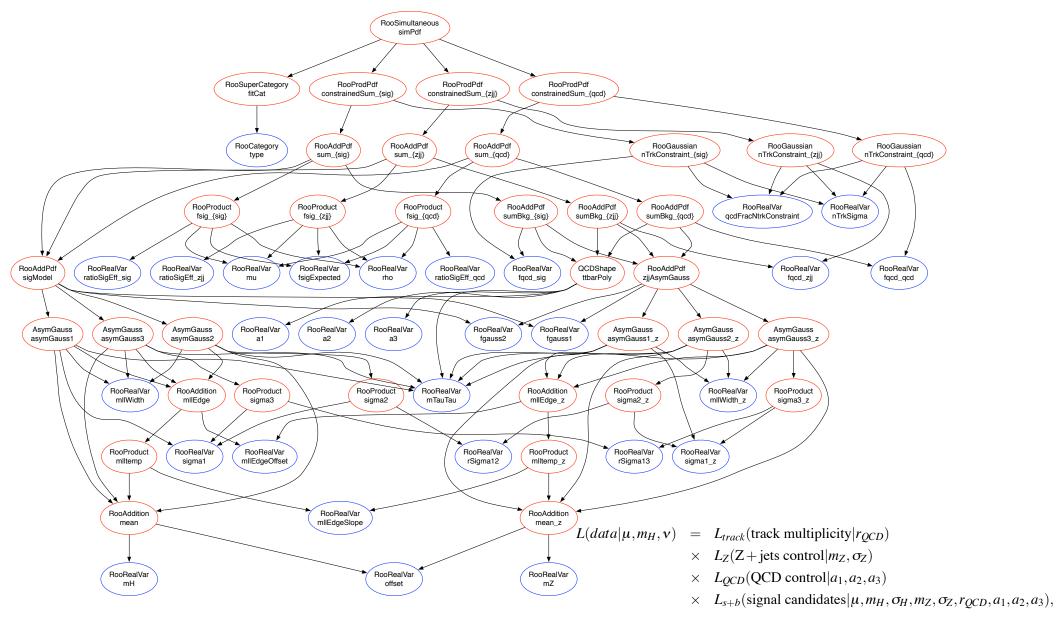
RooWorkspace workspace("Example\_workspace");
workspace.import(\*data);
workspace.import(\*pdf);
workspace.importClassCode();
workspace.writeToFile("myWorkspace.root");

This is **exactly** what is needed from each channel to perform combination

#### **One channel with control samples**



An example search channel that already is a simultaneous pdf over a signal region, a Z+jets control sample, and a ttbar & W+jets control region



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#### The actual combination code

#### These are the $\sim$ 50 lines it took to perform combination of two complicated channels.

#### This is being abstracted into a RooStats combination utility

void combine(string mass, double& mllSig, double& mlhSig, double& mcombSig){

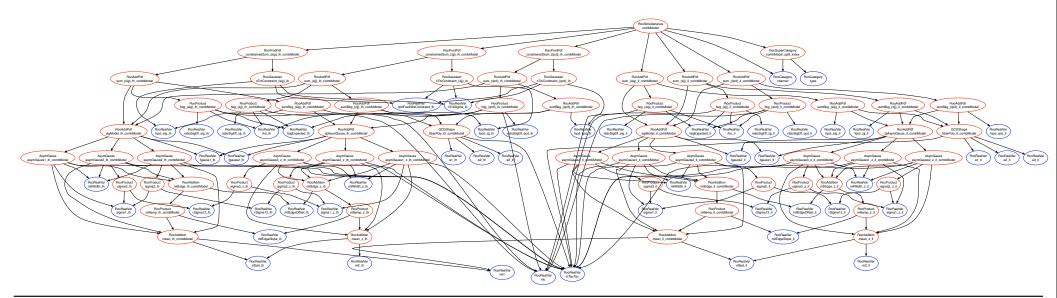
```
RooDataSet* combData = new RooDataSet("combData", "combined dataset",
                                                                                                                         vars,
                                                                                                                         Index(*channel),
   TFile llf(("workspace_simul_ll_m"+mass+".root").c_str());
                                                                                                                         Import("ll", *lldata),
   RooWorkspace* 11WS = (RooWorkspace*) 11f.Get("Example_workspace");
                                                                                                                         Import("lh", *lhdata),
   TFile lhf(("workspace_simul_lh_m"+mass+".root").c_str());
                                                                                                                         WeightVar(w));
   RooWorkspace* lhWS = (RooWorkspace*) lhf.Get("Example_workspace");
                                                                                  map<string, RooAbsPdf*> pdfMap;
   // get original models
                                                                                  string llStr="llStr";
   RooAbsPdf* llModel = llWS->pdf("simPdf");
                                                                                  string lhStr="lhStr";
   RooAbsPdf* lhModel = lhWS->pdf("simPdf");
                                                                                  pdfMap["ll"]=llModel;
   cout << "models = " << llModel << " " << lhModel << endl;
                                                                                  pdfMap["lh"]=lhModel;
   // should be able to use abs data, but Import(string, data) needs specific on
                                                                                  RooSimultaneous* combModel_split
   RooDataSet* 11data = (RooDataSet*) 11WS->data("data");
                                                                                    = new RooSimultaneous("combModel_split", "", pdfMap, *channel);
   RooDataSet* lhdata = (RooDataSet*) lhWS->data("data");
                                                                                  combWS->import(*combModel_split);
   // add models to new WS with suffix
                                                                                   channel = combWS->cat("channel"); // get pointer to one in WS
   RooWorkspace* combWS = new RooWorkspace("combWS");
   combWS->import(*llModel, RenameAllNodes("ll"), RenameAllVariables("ll"));
                                                                                   // here we establish correspondence of common variables
   combWS->import(*lhModel, RenameAllNodes("lh"), RenameAllVariables("lh"));
                                                                                  combWS->import(*llWS->var("mH"));
                                                                                  combWS->import(*llWS->var("mu"));
   // need to rename type_ll and type_lh back to common type
                                                                                  combWS->import(*llWS->var("mTauTau"));
   combWS->import(*llWS->cat("type"));
                                                                                  combWS->factory("EDIT::combModel(combModel_split,mH_ll=mH,mH_lh=mH,\\
   RooCategory* type = combWS->cat("type");
                                                                                   ll=mu,mu_lh=mu,mTauTau_lh=mTauTau,mTauTau_ll=mTauTau)");
   combWS->factory("EDIT::ll_tmp(simPdf_ll, type_ll=type)");
   combWS->factory("EDIT::lh_tmp(simPdf_lh, type_lh=type)");
                                                                                  RooAbsPdf* combModel = combWS->pdf("combModel");
   combWS->Print();
                                                                                   // do the combined fit
   // get new WS back out
                                                                                  combModel->fitTo(*combData, Constrained(), Hesse(kFALSE), Minos(kFALSE));
  llModel = combWS->pdf("ll_tmp");
   lhModel = combWS->pdf("lh_tmp");
                                                                                   // do profile LR
                                                                                  RooRealVar* mu = combWS->var("mu");
   RooCategory* channel = new RooCategory("channel", "channel");
                                                                                  RooAbsReal* nll = combModel->createNLL(*combData, Constrained());
   channel->defineType("ll",0);
                                                                                  RooAbsReal* profile = nll->createProfile(*mu);
   channel->defineType("lh",1);
                                                                                  mu->setVal(0);
   RooArgSet vars=*((RooArgSet*)lldata->get()->clone("vars"));
                                                                                  cout << "sqrt(-2loglambda(0)) = " << sqrt(2*profile->getVal()) << endl;</pre>
   vars.Print();
   RooRealVar w("w", "w",0,10000);
   vars.add(w);
                                                          SoS, Autrans, May 19 & 20, 2010
                                                                                                                                                         114
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```

## **Resulting combined model**



The resulting combined model combines 2 signal regions, 4 control regions, and 1 external measurement (track multiplicity of hadronic tau) that constrains QCD fraction in the lepton-hadron channel

- Since nuisance parameters are extracted from independent measurements, no additional terms were added to correlate the nuisance parameters between channels (14 nuisance in total)
- only shared parameters are  $m_H$  and  $\mu = \frac{\sigma \times BR}{\sigma_{SM} \times BR_{SM}}$ 
  - all the complexity of the model is hidden to combination code

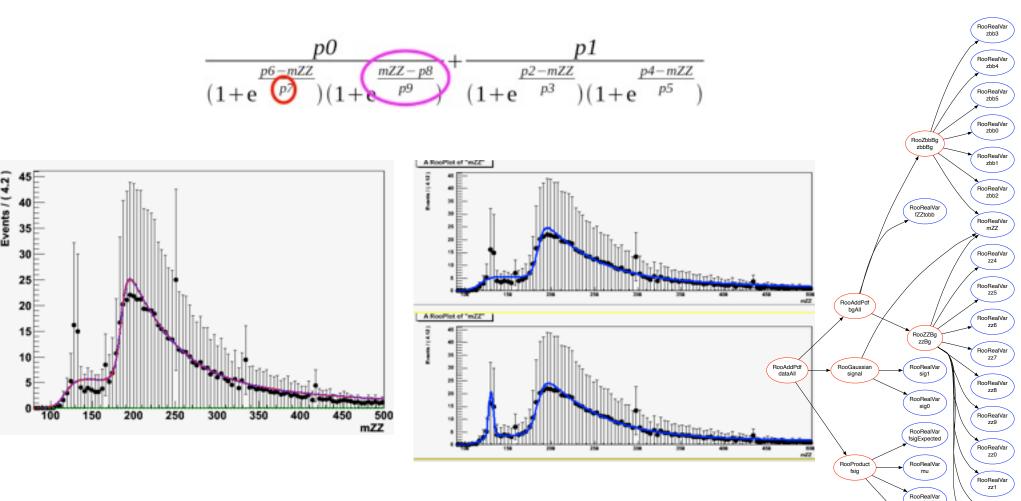


#### Adding Higgs to ZZ to 4 leptons to Combination



Extend previous example with H->4leptons

- working gorup quickly provided workspaces
- workspace included custom code for ZZ and Zbb background shapes



RooRealVar zz2 RooRealVar zz3

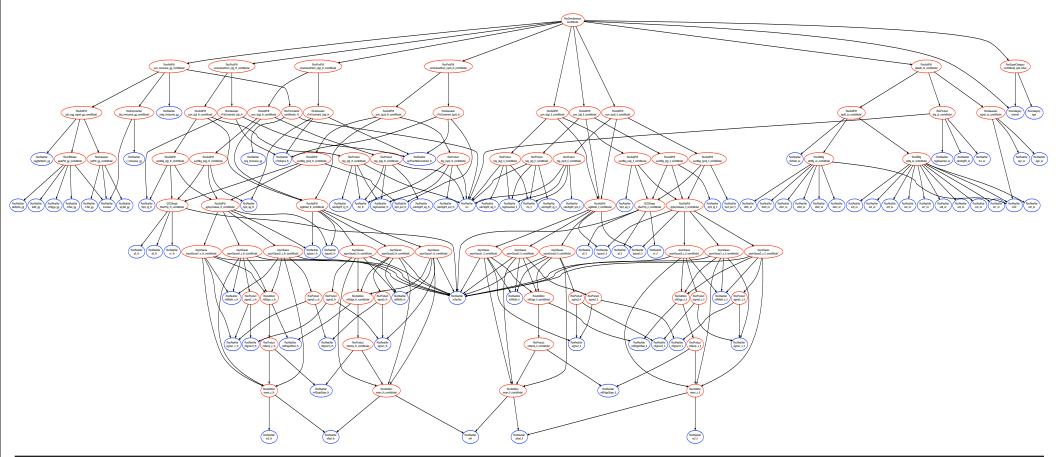
ratioSigEf

### **Combining the inputs**



Using the same code as previous slide, with a few extra lines for the new channels, we arrive at the combined dataset & model

- here the only common parameter is mu, the master signal strength
  - could easily make Higgs mass be the same for all three channels
- the combined model has 27 nuisance parameters



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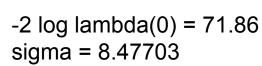
#### **Combining the inputs**

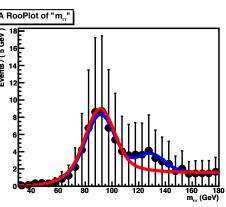
# Here with one workspace we can see the combination of 4 Higgs channels, together with their control samples, and plot of likelihood ratio

#### Color code:

 $\mu = 0$  $\hat{\mu}$ 

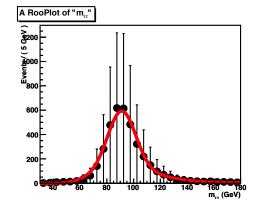


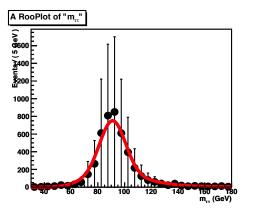


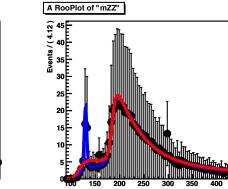


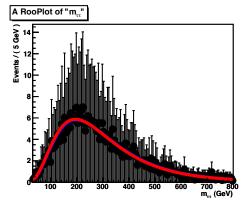
RooPlot of "m\_"

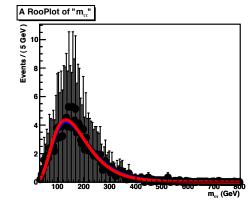
RooPlot of "M

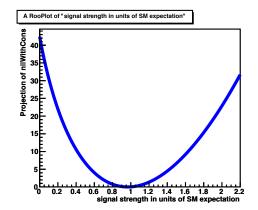














# The HistFactory (under development)

### Goal of HistFactory

Many analyses are based on template histograms (ROOT TH1)

- provide a tool that allows one to use RooStats statistical tools without knowing RooFit's data modeling language
- In this approach, user provides other templates corresponding to variations of individual systematics
  - this is done for each source of systematic and for each signal and background individually
  - It is straightforward to provide a combined model for several channels and to identify the same systematic in each channel

The user specifies all of these systematics via an XML file and a compiled command line executable parses the XML file to produce the combined model

 by default, it also runs a profile likelihood analysis on the parameters of interest

#### Parametrized templates (eg. systematics)



Given nominal histograms and +/- variations for each source of systematic  $\alpha_j$  produce a family of predictions parametrized by  $\alpha_j$  with linear interpolation:

$$arepsilon_{jk}(lpha_j) = egin{cases} ilde{arepsilon}_{jk} + lpha_j(arepsilon_{jk}(lpha_j^+) - ilde{arepsilon}_{jk}) & ext{if } lpha_j > 0 \ \ ilde{arepsilon}_{jk} & ext{if } lpha_j = 0 \ \ ilde{arepsilon}_{jk} - lpha_j(arepsilon_{jk}(lpha_j^-) - ilde{arepsilon}_{jk}) & ext{if } lpha_j < 0 \ . \end{cases}$$

Now expectation is:

$$N_k^{exp} = \mathscr{L}\sigma_k \prod_j \tilde{\varepsilon}_{jk} \frac{\varepsilon_{jk}(\alpha_j)}{\tilde{\varepsilon}_{jk}} = \tilde{N}_k^{exp} \prod_j \frac{\varepsilon_{jk}(\alpha_j)}{\tilde{\varepsilon}_{jk}}$$

Then, constrain  $\alpha_j$  with Normal

 $L(\sigma_{sig}, \mathscr{L}, \alpha_j) = Pois(N^{obs}|N^{exp}_{tot}) \times Gaus(\tilde{\mathscr{L}}|\mathscr{L}, \sigma_{\mathscr{L}}) \times \prod Gaus(\tilde{\alpha}_j = 0 | \alpha_j, \Delta_{\alpha_j} = 1).$ 

Generalization for multiple bins and multiple channels:

$$L(\sigma_{sig}, \mathscr{L}, \alpha_j) = \prod_{l \in \{ee, \mu\mu, e\mu\}} \left\{ \prod_{i \in bins} \left[ Pois(N_i^{obs} | N_{i,tot}^{exp}) Gaus(\tilde{\mathscr{L}} | \mathscr{L}, \sigma_{\mathscr{L}}) \prod_{j \in syst} Gaus(0 | \alpha_j, 1) \right] \right\}$$

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#### The combined model

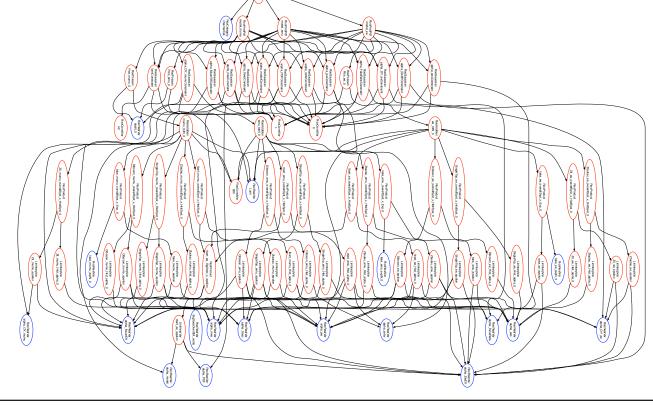


The code for this takes histograms and automates the process of building the PDF and expected dataset.

$$L(\sigma_{sig}, \mathscr{L}, \alpha_j) = \prod_{l \in \{ee, \mu\mu, e\mu\}} \left\{ \prod_{i \in bins} \left[ Pois(N_i^{obs} | N_{i,tot}^{exp}) Gaus(\tilde{\mathscr{L}} | \mathscr{L}, \sigma_{\mathscr{L}}) \prod_{j \in syst} Gaus(0 | \alpha_j, 1) \right] \right\}$$

Final PDF and dataset are imported to a workspace, can be used by any of the RooStats statistical tools

• and the same crazy graphs can be constructed to represent them ;-)



#### Example xml files

A 1-channel example, where signal histogram normalization multiplied by "SigXsecOverSM", which is considered the parameter of interest.

Nuisance parameters: "Lumi", "syst1" (sig only), "syst2" (bkg1 only), "syst3" (bkg2 only)

```
<!DOCTYPE Combination SYSTEM 'Config.dtd'>
Combination OutputFilePrefix=",/results/example" Mode="comb" >
 <Input>./config/example_channel.xml</Input>
 <fecsurement Name="Example" Lumi="10" LumiRelErr="0.05" BinLow="0" BinHigh="2" Mode="comb">
   <POI>SigXsecOverSM</POI>
   <ParamSetting Const="True">Lumi alpha_syst1</ParamSetting>
 </ Heasurement>
Combination
<!DOCTYPE Channel SYSTEM 'Config.dtd'>
 <Channel Name="channel1" InputFile="./data/example.root" HistoName="" >
   <!---Data Name="data" InputFile="" HistoPath="" HistoName=""/>-->
   <Scople Name="signal" HistoPath="" HistoName="signal">
     <OverallSys Name="syst1" High="1.05" Low="0.95"/>
     NormFactor Name="SigXsecOverSM" Val="1" Low="0.5" High="1.8" Const="True" />
   </Somole>
   <Sample Name="background1" HistoPath="" NormalizeByTheory="True" HistoName="background1">
     <DverallSys Name="syst2" Low="0.95" High="1.05"/>
   </Somole>
   Scople Name="background2" HistoPath="" NormalizeByTheory="True" HistoName="background2">
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     <!-- distoSys Name="syst4" HistoPathHigh="" HistoPathLow="histForSyst4"/>-->
   </Somple>
 </Channel>
```

#### HistFactory todo



- Currently (May 2010) only in RooStats development branch
  - finish documentation
  - current version explicitly has a Poisson term for each bin
    - doesn't scale well to many bins
    - working on version that scales well for large (and N-D) histograms

Stay tuned!



# SPlots in RooStats

#### SPlot technique

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The  ${}_{s}\mathcal{P}lot$  technique is developped in the above context of a maximum Likelihood method making use of discriminating variables.

One considers a data sample in which are merged several species of events. These species represent various signal components and background components which all together account for the data sample. The different terms of the log-Likelihood are:

- ${\cal N}\,$  the total number of events in the data sample,
- $\ensuremath{\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{s}}}$  the number of species of events populating the data sample,
- $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{i}}$  the number of events expected on the average for the  $i^{th}$  species,
- $\mathbf{f}_i(y_e)~$  the value of the PDFs of the discriminating variables y for the  $i^{th}$  species and for event  $e_{\text{r}}$ 
  - $x\,$  the set of control variables which, by definition, do not appear in the expression of the Likelihood function  $L\,$

The extended log-Likelihood reads:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{e=1}^{N} \ln \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N_{s}} N_{i} f_{i}(y_{e}) \right\} - \sum_{i=1}^{N_{s}} N_{i} .$$
(8)

From this expression, after maximization of L with respect to the  $N_i$  parameters, a weight can be computed for every event and each species, in order to obtain later the true distribution  $\mathbf{M}_i(x)$  of variable x If n is one of the  $N_s$  species present in the data sample, the weight for this species is defined by:

$$s\mathcal{P}_{n}(y_{e}) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \mathbf{V}_{nj} \mathbf{f}_{j}(y_{e})}{\sum_{k=1}^{N_{s}} N_{k} \mathbf{f}_{k}(y_{e})}, \qquad (9)$$

where  $\mathbf{V}_{nj}$  is the covariance matrix resulting from the Likelihood maximization. This matrix can be used directly from the fit, but this is numerically less accurate than the direct computation:

$$\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{n}j}^{-1} = \frac{\partial^2(-\mathcal{L})}{\partial N_{\mathrm{n}}\partial N_j} = \sum_{e=1}^N \frac{f_{\mathrm{n}}(y_e)f_j(y_e)}{(\sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathrm{s}}} N_k f_k(y_e))^2} .$$
(10)

The distribution of the control variable x obtained by histogramming the weighted events reproduces, on average, the true distribution  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathrm{n}}(x)$ .

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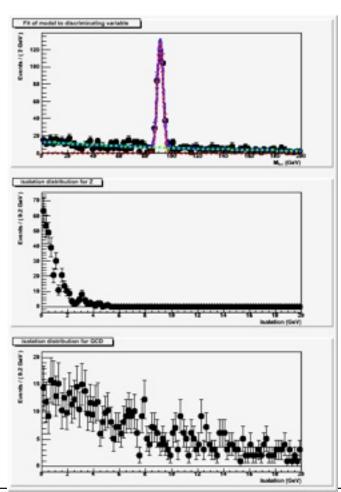
#### Documentation taken from M. Pivik's TSPlot tool

M. Pivk and F. R. Le Diberder, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A (in press), physics/0402083

#### **Additional Goals**

**SPlot**: Working SPlot implementation that works for arbitrary models

- rewritten from original code from BaBar
- more general than TSPlot class
- http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs301\_splot.C.html



# **Bernstein Correction Utility**

#### **Additional Goals**

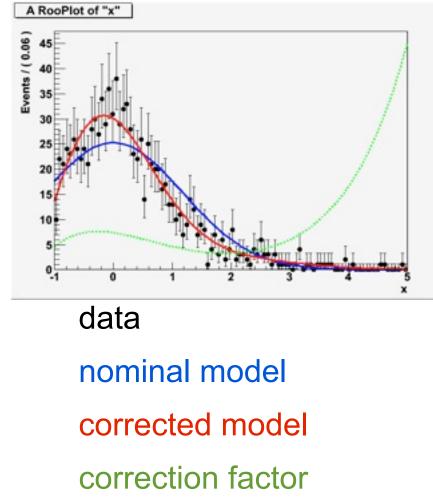
# **BernsteinCorrection**: prompted by work in our statistics forum, automate procedure of correcting nominal model to data by including a correction factor based on a polynomial whose degree is chosen in a principled way

http://root.cern.ch/root/html/tutorials/roostats/rs\_bernsteinCorrection.C.html

#### 9.5 Bernstein Correction

BernsteinCorrection is a utility in RooStats to augment a nominal PDF with a polynomial correction term. This is useful for incorporating systematic variations to the nominal PDF. The Bernstein basis polynomails are particularly appropriate because they are positive definite.

This tool was inspired by the work of Glen Cowan together with Stephan Horner, Sascha Caron, Eilam Gross, and others. The initial implementation is independent work. The major step forward in the approach was to provide a well defined algorithm that specifies the order of polynomial to be included in the correction. This is an emperical algorithm, so in addition to the nominal model it needs either a real data set or a simulated one. In the early work, the nominal model was taken to be a histogram from Monte Carlo simulations, but in this implementation it is generalized to an arbitrary PDF (which includes a RooHistPdf). The algorithm basically consists of a hypothesis test of an nth-order correction (null) against a n+1-th order correction (alternate). The quantity  $q = -2 \log LR$  is used to determine whether the n+1-th order correction is a major improvement to the n-th order correction. The distribution of q is expected to be roughly  $\chi^2$  with one degree of freedom if the n-th order correction is a good model for the data. Thus, one only moves to the n+1-th order correction of q is relatively large. The chance that one moves from the n-th to the n+1-th order correction when the n-th order correction (eg. a type 1 error) is sufficient is given by the Prob( $\chi_1^2$  > threshold). The constructor of this class allows you to directly set this tolerance (in terms of probability that the n+1-th term is added unnecessarily).



### Summary



RooStats currently provides many useful tools for common statistical problems using well known statistical techniques

- Bayesian, Frequentist, and Likelihood-based methods available
- The tools are still developing rapidly, so keep up to date with the current status via the RooStats web page and recent ROOT releases

#### https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/RooStats/WebHome

It is an open project for the field, and we would love to hear your ideas and incorporate any tools that you develop.

Please see the RooStats developers list

# Some Statistical Recommendations (in the context of the prototype "on/off" problem)

### The "on/off" problem



This is a simplified problem that has been studied quite a bit to gain some insight into our more realistic and difficult problems

- number counting with background uncertainty
  - main measurement: observe non with s+b expected
  - sideband measurement: observe  $\mathsf{n}_{\mathsf{off}}$  with  $\tau b$  expected

$$\underbrace{P(n_{\text{on}}, n_{\text{off}} | s, b)}_{\text{joint model}} = \underbrace{\operatorname{Pois}(n_{\text{on}} | s + b)}_{\text{main measurement}} \underbrace{\operatorname{Pois}(n_{\text{off}} | \tau b)}_{\text{sideband}}$$

- Note: sideband is used to constrain background uncertainty
  - In this approach "background uncertainty" is a statistical error
- Contrast to:  $P(n_{on}|s) = \int db \operatorname{Pois}(n_{on}|s+b) \pi(b),$ 
  - where  $\pi(b)$  is usually a Gaussian that is randomized in Toy MC
    - it is a Bayesian prior, resulting model is a Bayesian-averaged model
    - does not explicitly use knowledge of sideband  $Pois(n_{off}|\tau b)$

# Separating the prior from the objective model



**Recommendation**: where possible, one should express uncertainty on a parameter as a statistical (random) process

- explicitly include terms that represent auxiliary measurements in the likelihood
- **Recommendation:** when using a Bayesian technique, one should explicitly express and separate the prior from the objective part of the probability density function

Example:

- By writing  $P(n_{\text{on}}, n_{\text{off}}|s, b) = \text{Pois}(n_{\text{on}}|s+b) \text{Pois}(n_{\text{off}}|\tau b).$ 
  - the objective statistical model is for the background uncertainty is clear
- One can then explicitly express a prior  $\eta(b)$  and obtain:

$$\pi(b) = P(b|n_{\text{off}}) = \frac{P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}{\int db P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}.$$

### **Hybrid Solutions**



Goal of Bayesian-frequentist hybrid solutions is to provide a frequentist treatment of the main measurement, while eliminating nuisance parameters (deal with systematics) with an intuitive Bayesian technique.

$$P(n_{\rm on}|s) = \int db \operatorname{Pois}(n_{\rm on}|s+b) \pi(b), \qquad p = \sum_{n \in n_{\rm obs}}^{\infty} P(n|s)$$

Principled version (eg.  $Z_{\Gamma}$ ):

• clearly state prior  $\eta(b)$ ; identify control samples (sidebands) and use:

$$\pi(b) = P(b|n_{\text{off}}) = \frac{P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}{\int db P(n_{\text{off}}|b)\eta(b)}$$

Ad-hoc version (eg.  $Z_N$ ):

- unable or unwilling to justify  $\pi(b)$ , so go straight to some distribution
  - eg. a Gaussian, truncated Gaussian, log normal, Gamma, etc...
  - often the case for real systematic uncertainty (eg. MC generators, different background estimation techniques, etc.)

#### Recommendation: Avoid ad hoc priors if possible.

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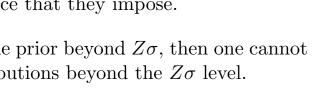
#### **Hybrid Solutions**

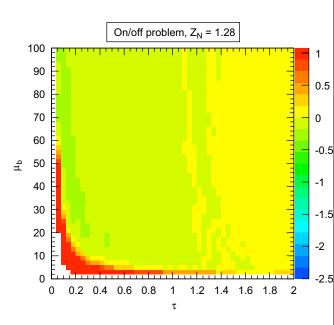
- Hybrid solutions are common (used by LEP & Tevatron Higgs)
  - this is what was done for TDR and several ATLAS & CMS results
  - It is known that using an ad hoc prior can lead to optimistic results (eg. overstate significance, undercover).
    - it can be fairly significant, must be studied on a case-by-case basis
  - K. Cranmer, Statistical challenges for searches for new physics at the LHC, Proceedings of PhyStat05: Statistical Problems in Particle Physics, Astrophysics and Cosmology, Oxford, England, United Kingdom (2005) SPIRES 6994415
  - [2] R. D. Cousins, J. T. Linnemann and J. Tucker, "Evaluation of three methods for calculating statistical significance when incorporating a systematic uncertainty into a test of the background-only hypothesis for a Poisson process," Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 595, 480 (2008).
  - $[16]\,$  T. Junk, Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res., Sec. A  ${\bf 434},\,435~(1999)$
  - [19] G. C. Hill, "Comment on 'Including systematic uncertainties in confidence interval construction for Poisson statistics'," Phys. Rev. D67, 118101 (2003). [physics/0302057].

#### Recommendation: Avoid ad hoc priors if possible

**Recommendation:** When using an ad-hoc prior  $\pi$ , one should be honest about the assumptions that are involved and the limitations to the inference that they impose.

**Warning:** If one is not able to accurately characterize the prior beyond  $Z\sigma$ , then one cannot consistently discuss a deviation from the expected distributions beyond the  $Z\sigma$  level.





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The  $Z_{Bi}$  solution is a specific, analytical solution to the on/off problem

not of general use

The general frequentist solution to this problem is the Neyman Construction, which provides coverage ``by construction"

- However, the Neyman Construction is not uniquely determined; one must also specify:
  - the test statistic  $T(n_{on}, n_{off}; s, b)$ , which depends on data and parameters
  - a well-defined ensemble that defines the sampling distribution of T
  - the limits of integration for the sampling distribution of T
  - parameter points to scan (including the values of any nuisance parameters)
  - how the final confidence intervals in the parameter of interest are established

We need to specify all of these things to generalize  $Z_{Bi}$ 

See slides on Neyman-Construction and FeldmanCousins tool

#### The Bayesian Solution



#### No clear Bayesian solution among $Z_{Bi}$ , $Z_{\Gamma}$ , $Z_{PL}$ , $Z_{N}$

- Bayesian solution would generically have a prior for the parameters of interest as well as nuisance parameters
- See discussion in PDG

**Recommendation**: When performing a Bayesian analysis one should separate the objective likelihood function from the prior distributions to the extent possible.

**Recommendation**: When performing a Bayesian analysis one should investigate the sensitivity of the result to the choice of priors.

**Warning**: Flat priors in high dimensions can lead to unexpected and/or misleading results.

**Recommendation**: When performing a Bayesian analysis for a single parameter of interest, one should attempt to include Jeffreys's prior in the sensitivity analysis.

To support the points raised above, here are some quotes from professional statisticians (taken from selected PhyStat talks and selections from Bob Cousins lectures):

- "Perhaps the most important general lesson is that the facile use of what appear to be uninformative priors is a dangerous practice in high dimensions." Brad Effron
- "meaningful prior specification of beliefs in probabilistic form over very large possibility spaces is very difficult and may lead to a lot of arbitrariness in the specification." – Michael Goldstein
- "Sensitivity Analysis is at the heart of scientific Bayesianism." Michael Goldstein
- "Non-subjective Bayesian analysis is just a part an important part, I believe of a healthy sensitivity analysis to the prior choice..." J.M. Bernardo
- "Objective Bayesian analysis is the best frequentist tool around" Jim Berger