

Status of LHCb applications on 64-bit platforms

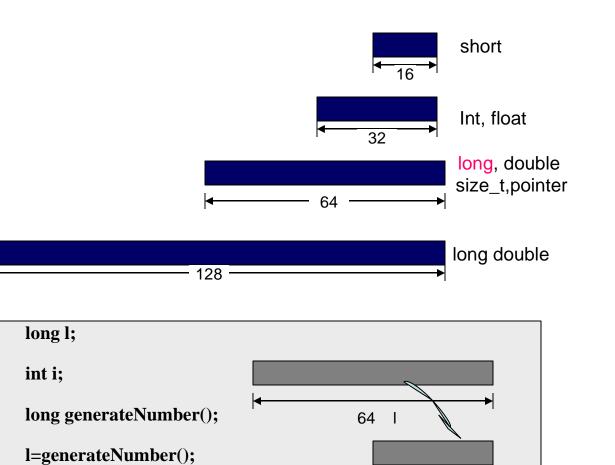
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Data size



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Data size

- Do not assign long or pointers to int
- size_t, time_t, and ptrdiff_t are 64-bit
 Do not assume they are interchangeable with integer
- Use ANSI const instead of #def hexadecimal variables

	32 OS	64 OS	
#define OFFSET1 0xFFFFFFFFF	-1	4,294,967,295	
#define OFFSET2 0x10000000	0	4,294,967,296	
const signed int OFFSFT1 = $0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF$			

const signed int OFFSET1 = 0xFFFFFFF;

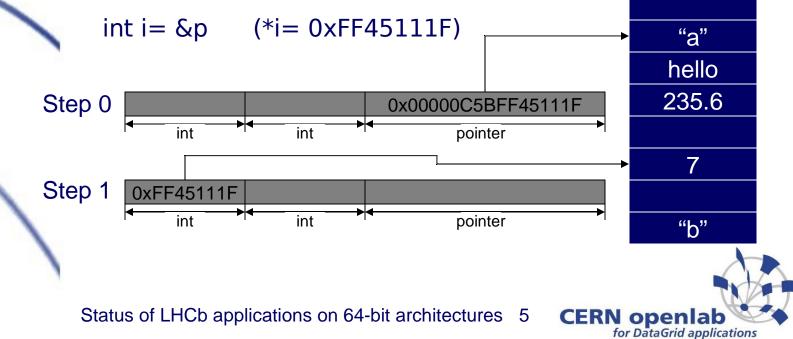




Pointers

- Pointer sizes
 - Pointer size is 64 bit.
 - Wrong cast IN Value of the pointer will be truncated
 - Problems with int (linux) and long and int (windows)

char p="a"; (&p= 0x00000C5BFF45111F)



Pointers

- Do not code with native C types that change in 64-bit OS.
- Use Macros or type definitions
- Use polymorphic types

type-cast pointer	intptr_t, uintptr_t
counting numbers	long, size_t, ssize_t

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Linux

	ANSI	intptr_t, uintptr_t
type-cast pointer	Windows 2000 (64-bit)	LPARAM, WPARAM, LRESULT, INT_PTR, UINT_PTR, DWORD_PTR, LONG_PTR, ULONG_PTR
counting	ANSI	size_t, ssize_t
numbers	Windows\ 2000 (64-bit)	int3264, SIZE_T, SSIZE_T



Some tips

- Do not mix different data models
- Use define types or macros to isolate the code from the architecture
- Use pre-processor flags for different architectures implementations: __LP64__, __M_IA64 , __WIN64 , __WIN32
- Use specific functions to access data sizes and system parameters

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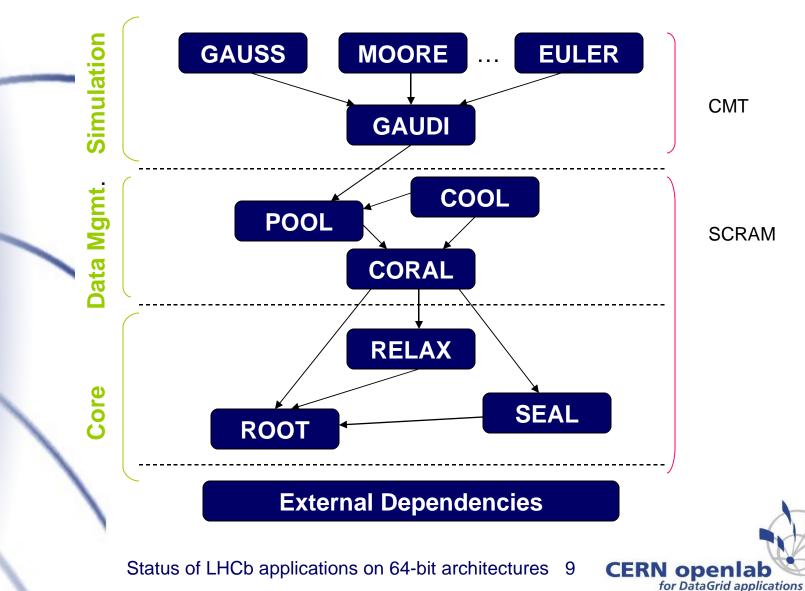
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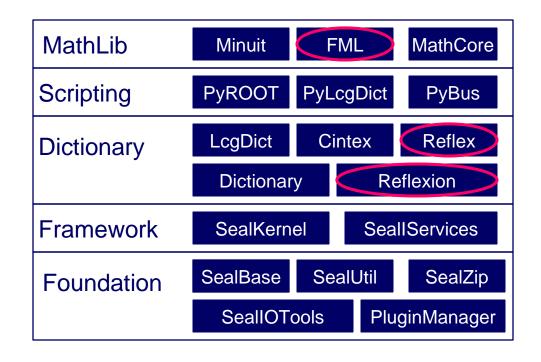
 SEAL Software infrastructure, basic framework libraries and tools for LHC experiments

• Merge to ROOT 5.0.8

- Packages: Dictionary & Reflection
- Maintain those packages for previous versions
 - Neither update, nor change or port

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SEAL packages





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SEAL

- External libraries:
 - afs (careful with the right architecture)
 - Local (rebuild them & keep directory structure)
- Properly initialize environment variables
- scram
 - eval `scram runtime –sh`
 - scram b release-reset-arch
 - Scram build
 - qmtest run testsuitName



POOL & CORAL

- Provides a general persistency store for the LHC experiment to store events and associated metadata.
- Partially ported
 - 64 bit clean at end of March
- New application CORAL
 - Allow access to different Data structures in a transparent way.

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– 64 bit clean

GAUDI

Framework of simulation

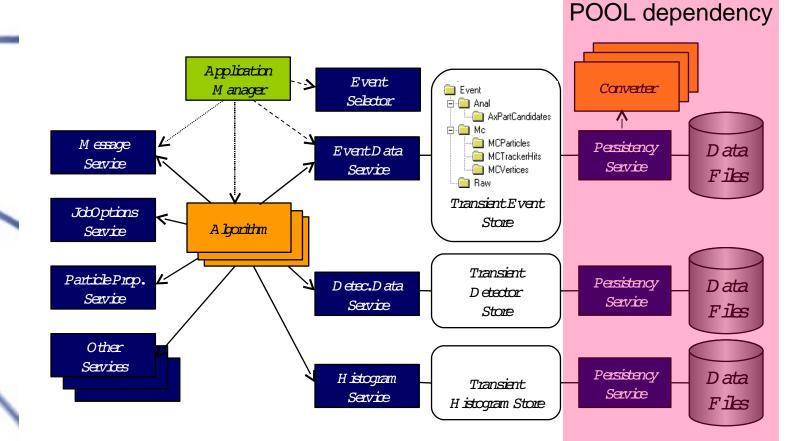
- Event Modeling
- Persistency is crucial
- Only one package depends on POOL in the critical one

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– Not clean

GAUDI object diagram



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Image from:http://lhcb-comp.web.cern.ch/lhcb-comp/Frameworks/Gaudi/GaudiTutorial.htm

GAUDI

- Pool is not yet clean Main external dependency
- Build with cmt
- Set environment
- Cmt broadcast gmake
- Packages not using POOL can run on 64-bit architectures

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Some external dependencies

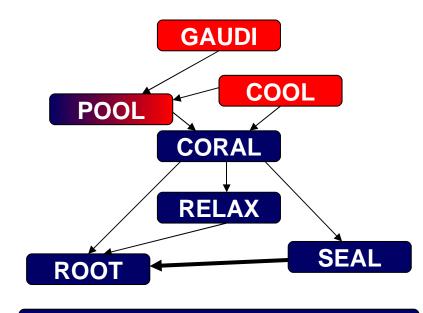
- Some tests failing or patches needed:
 - GSI, Python, gccxml, Swig, Anaphe

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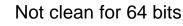
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- CLHEP includes –fPIC in makefile
- Boost
- ROOT

Global Status



External Dependencies



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Issues found

- External dependencies:
 - Some adapted by CERN and available only for 32-bit archs.
 - No tests to verify they really work on 64 bit archs.
- No homogeneous build tools
 - Autoconfig, make, scram and CMT
- Debuggers /memory tracers tools for 64-bit or complex applications using different languages together.

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Issues found

- Typical problems porting code from 32 to 64 bit architectures
 - _ Pointers, int, long ...
 - Assembler code inside the C++ code
 - Specific architectural parameters defined as constants

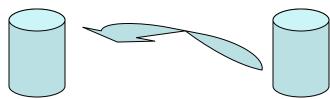
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Patches unapplied

To be solved

Check client and server architectures



Buffer 4*long (32 bits)

Buffer 4*long (64 bits)

- Typedefs
- A class mapping the types and architectures → discuss in Architects Forum

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Conclusions

- Now 64 bit architectures are being considered inside the developer community
- Most of the LHCb stack is ready
- There is some expertise on porting
- Some problems still need to be solved.



