

# Online processing and QA of the BM@N experiment

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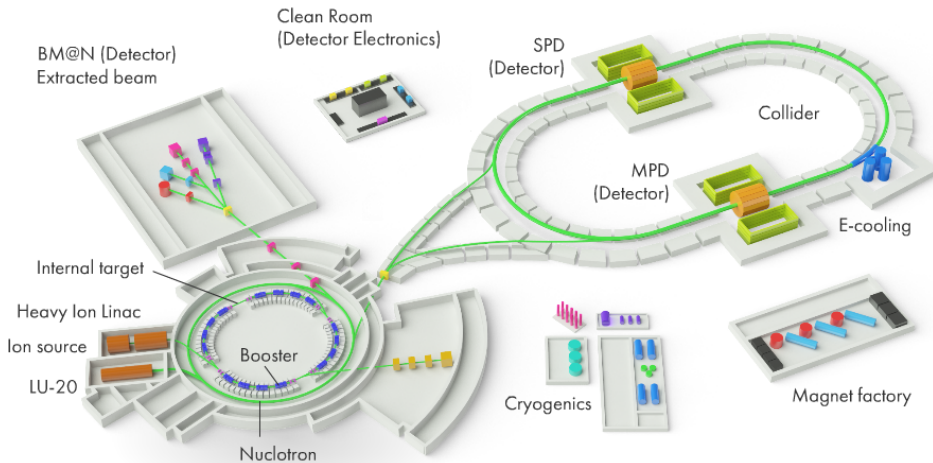
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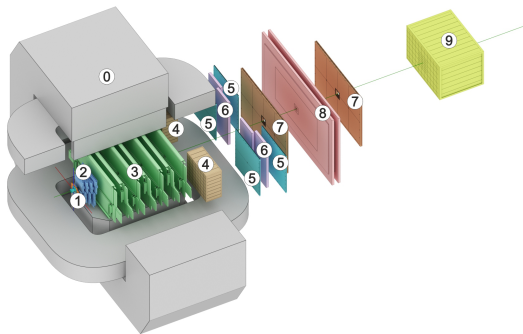
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# Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron



- Magnet SP-41 (0)
- Triggers: BD + SiD (1)
- Forward Silicon (2)
- GEM (3)
- ECAL (4)
- CSC 1x1 m<sup>2</sup> (5)
- TOF 400 (6)
- CSC 2x1.5 m<sup>2</sup> (7)
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- ZDC (9)

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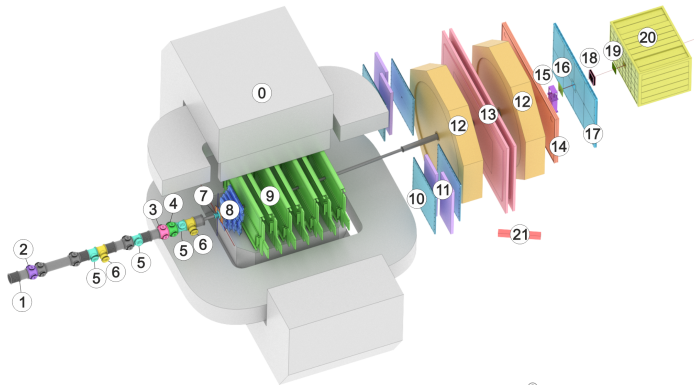
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## Subsystems

- ▶ Trigger system:
  - ▶ Beam counters
  - ▶ Barrel detector
- ▶ Tracking system:
  - ▶ Forward Silicon
  - ▶ GEM (Gas Electron Multipliers)
  - ▶ CSC (Cathode Strip Chambers)
- ▶ Identification(time-of-flight) system:
  - ▶ ToF-400
  - ▶ ToF-700
- ▶ Calorimeters:
  - ▶ ZDC (Zero Degree Calorimeter)
  - ▶ ECAL (Electromagnetic Calorimeter)



# Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron



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- Magnet SP-41 (0)
- Vacuum Beam Pipe (1)
- BC1, VC, BC2 (2-4)
- SiBT, SiProf (5, 6)
- Triggers: BD + SiMD (7)
- FSD, GEM (8, 9)
- CSC 1x1 m<sup>2</sup> (10)
- TOF 400 (11)
- DCH (12)
- TOF 700 (13)
- ScWall (14)
- FD (15)
- Small GEM (16)
- CSC 2x1.5 m<sup>2</sup> (17)
- Beam Profilometer (18)
- FQH (19)
- FHCAL (20)
- HGN (21)

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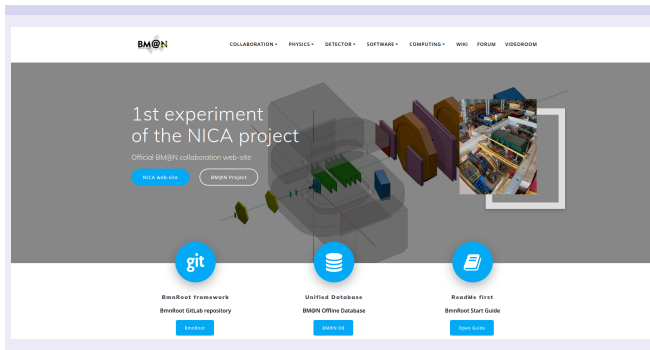
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# BM@N Framework BMNROOT



## BM@N experiment home web-page:

<https://bmj.jinr.ru>

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

## Benefits:

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

## BmnROOT repository

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

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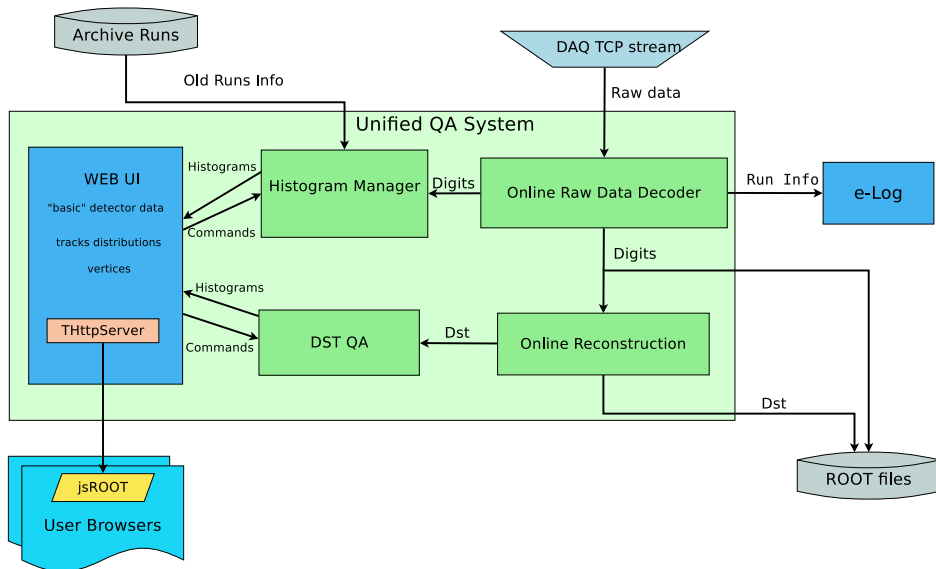
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# General system scheme



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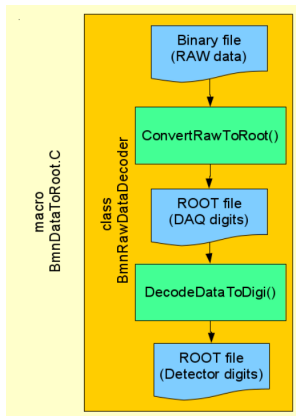
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# Decoding scheme



First step (Data Converter):

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

Second step (Data Decoder):

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

# Basic QA frontend with hardcoded histograms

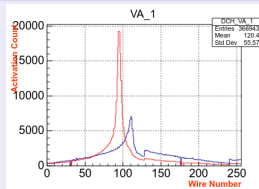
## Implementation details:

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

Thus addition of the new detector histogram set is rather simple.

## Reference run:

- ✓ Ref run imposition
- ✓ Autoselection of similar runs



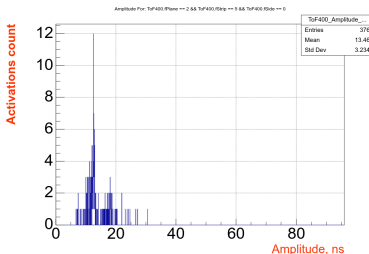
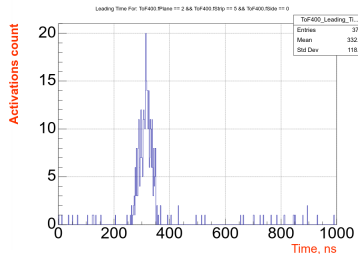
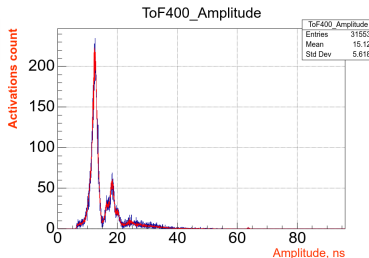
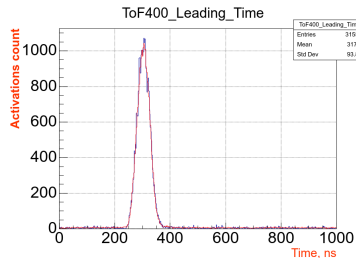


# Fine grain selection (station/plane/strip):

Plane Index   
Strip Index   
Side Index   
Run Index

**Change Selection (-1 => All)**

**Select Reference Run**



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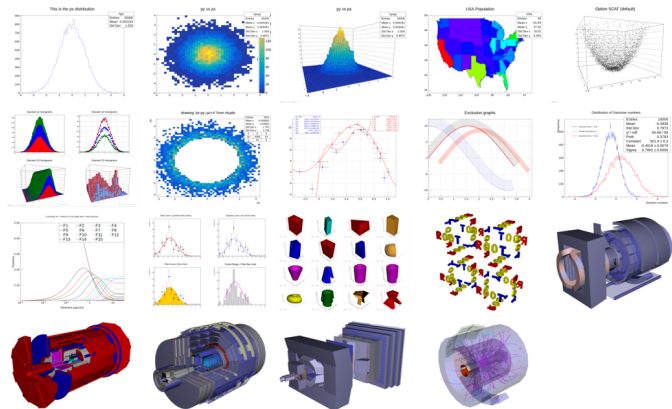
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CERN jsROOT library:

ROOT object



HTML visual object



jsROOT website

<https://root.cern.ch/js/>

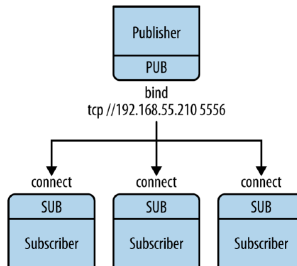


Lightweight high-speed library for network messaging

- Variety of transports: TCP, interprocess, inproc
- Automatic queue and buffer managing
- Many usable messaging patterns

ZeroMQ website

<https://zeromq.org>



## Existing alternative online processing frameworks

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

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

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

### Typical analysis macro workflow:

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

# Simplest way to move existing reconstruction code to online

Less code  $\rightarrow$  Less errors

ZMQ transfer classes for FairRunAna

- BmnMQSource - ZeroMQ SUB socket<sup>1</sup> based source class
- BmnMQSink - ZeroMQ PUB socket based sink class

## Benefits

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

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<sup>1</sup><https://zeromq.org>

# BmnRoot QA structure

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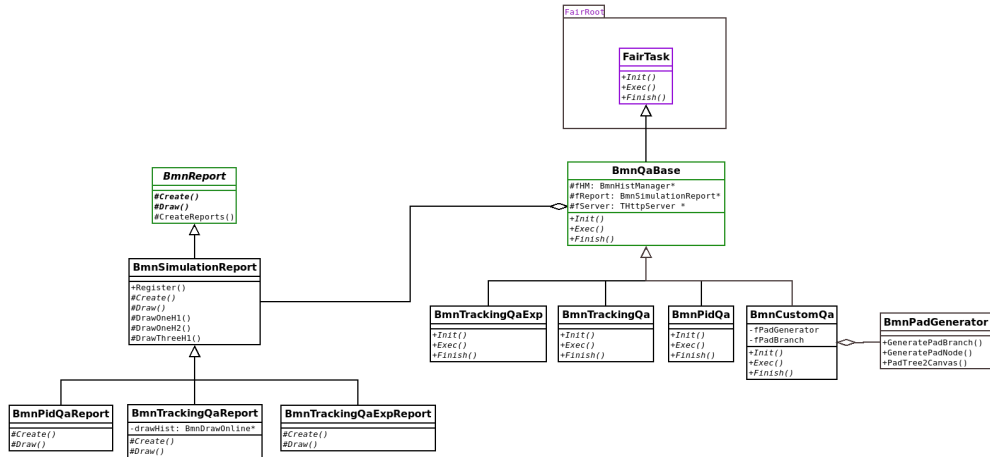


Figure: QA main classes (green ones were forked from CbmRoot)

# Live example of the online hit reconstruction & QA (SiBT as the example)

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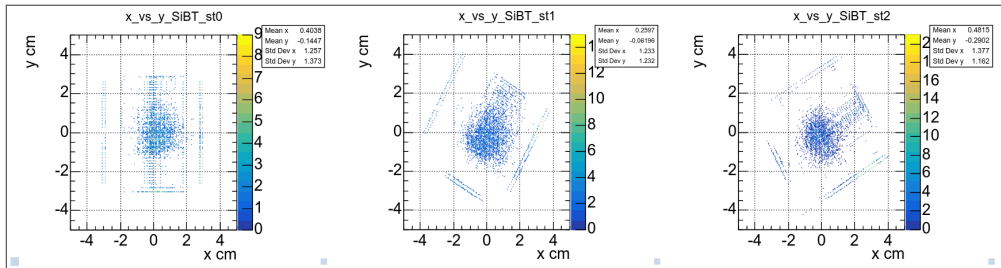
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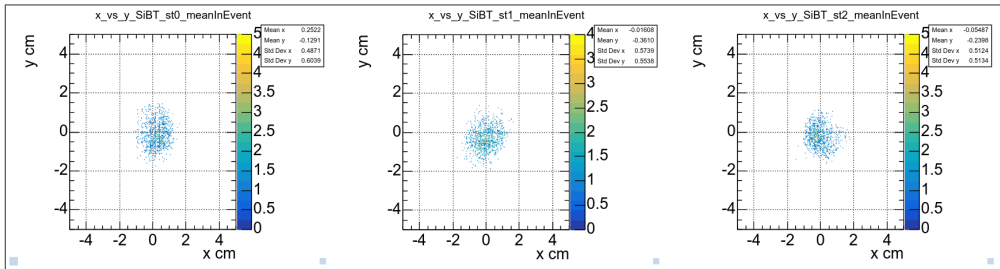
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Mean weighted (with signals in layers) SiBT Hits in Event



# Live example of the primary vertex online reconstruction

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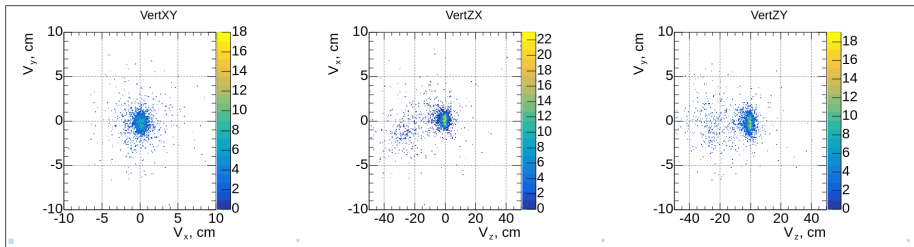
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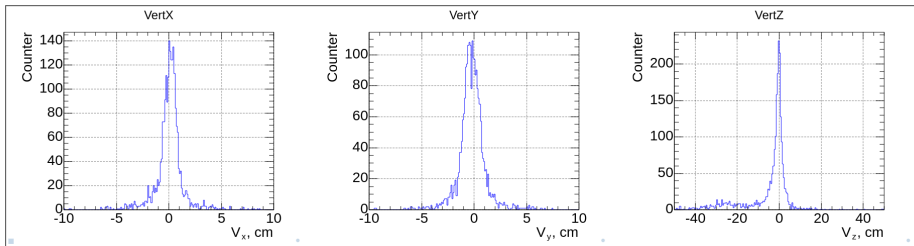
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Vertex profile 2D



Vertex profile 1D



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### Implementation

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

Test code example:

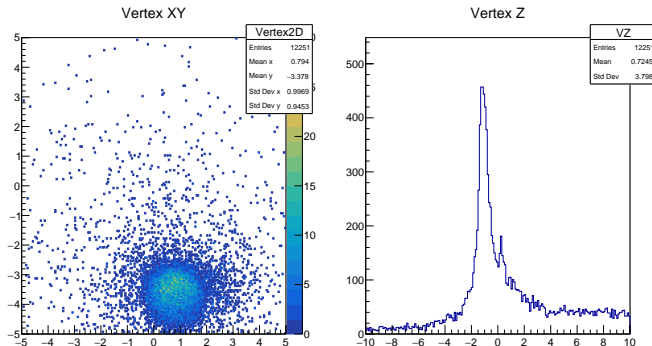
```
BmnPadGenerator *g = new BmnPadGenerator();  
g->LoadPTFrom(FileName);  
BmnPadBranch * br = g->GetPadBranch();  
TCanvas* can = new TCanvas("canHits", "", 1920, 1080);  
g->PadTree2Canvas(br, can);  
BmnHist::DrawPadTree(br);
```

# Simple configuration

## JSON scheme:

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

## Canvas structure:



- Works well for data in TClonesArray branches
- Doesn't work for single object branches out of the box (only with additional code for each class)
- User interface for scheme updating is not yet ready

## QA experience overview. Possible future improvements.

### ◇ jsROOT:

- ▷ Sometimes not updating scales in the jsROOT histograms. Even after restart of a QA.
  - ▶ Maybe we should move to Grafana, but it will require rewriting basic histograms functions

### ◇ DST QA:

- ▷ Slow tracking procedure (even L1)
  - ▶ Actually not a problem (the character of distribution stays the same. ZMQ just drops events not fitting the buffer)
  - ▶ sometimes gives noticable lag of processing cached events of a previous run for a couple of minutes
- ▷ Needs to fully implement reference runs in the unified QA as well:
  - ▶ Maybe we should use UniDB to store reference run sets
- ▷ Needs to finish Custom QA (no code). Particularly implement user interface for schemes.

### ◇ Practice students helped with the work:

- ▷ A. Islentev (The University Edinburgh) - Converter parallelization, Decoder denoising improvements and fixes
- ▷ K. Mashitsin (SPbU) - GEM decoding algorithm improvements and fixes
- ▷ A. Driuk (SPbU) - Digi correlation histograms, SiBT histograms
- ▷ A. Iufriakova (SPbU) - ADC decoder SIMD optimisation

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