

COAST

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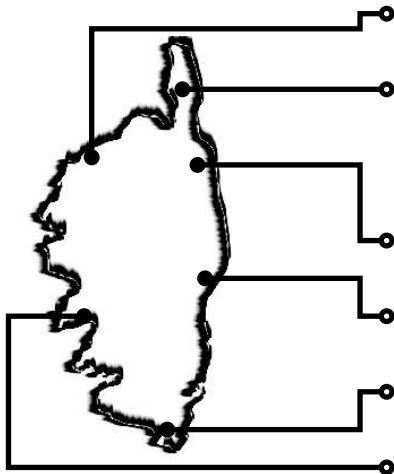
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Interface



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Functions (C++)

- inida
- writa
- cloda

Structures (C++ classes)

- TBlock
- TSubBlock
- MRunHeader
- MEventHeader
- MParticleBlock
- MLongitudinalBlock
- MMuonProductionInfo
- MCherenkov
- MParticle
- MRunEnd
- MEventEnd

- Access to CORSIKA blocks and subblocks (RUNH, EVTH, PART, LONG, etc.)
- Also suited to read and process binary CORSIKA data files

Functions (C++)

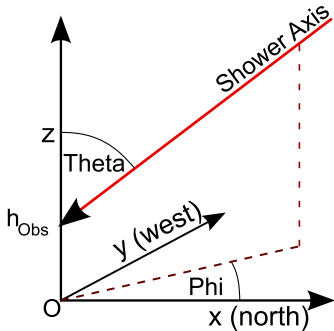
- track
- interaction

Structure (C++ classes)

- CParticle
- CInteraction

- Access to every single particle tracking step
- Information about all interactions in the air shower

Geometry in COAST (Level 2)



- Consistent coordinate system (for all options, e.g. CURVED)
- Shower core is at $(0, 0, h_{\text{obs}})$
- North in x -direction and West in y -direction

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Level 1 (ROOTOUT)

ROOT output

CORSIKA binary output on 64bit

Level 2 (ROOTTRACK)

Histogramming / REAS2+3

Particle sampling on inclined observation levels

Plotting 3D/2D

How To Use COAST Level 1 Interface

ROOT Output

Use **ROOTOUT** option of CORSIKA

⇒ Redirects standard binary CORSIKA output to convenient ROOT format

Showers are saved in ROOT TTREE structures:

Subblock		ROOT Object	TTree
RUNH	⇒	TRun	run.
EVTH+data	⇒	TShower (TParticle TLongitudinal TCherenkov)	sim.

run->Show(0) to see the content of TRun, the equivalent of RUNH

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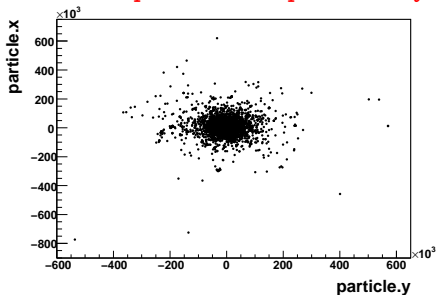
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```
sim->Draw("particle.x:particle.y")
```



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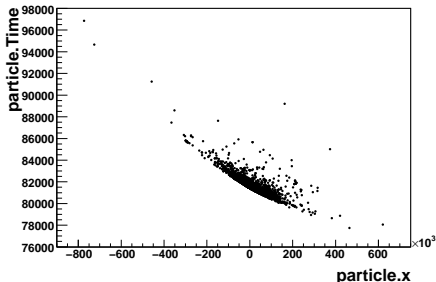
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sim->Draw("particle.Time:particle.x")
```



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Warning:

ROOTOUT not (yet) full replacement for standard CORSIKA output.

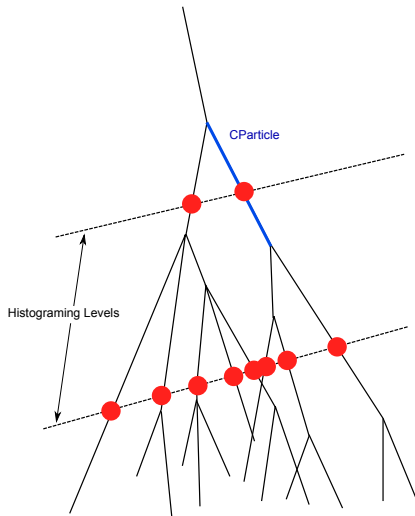
Individual shower size is limited to computer memory, so it does not work for high energy, low thinning level showers.

Outlook:

We are working on an improved version with no limitations.

How To Use COAST Level 2 Interface

Histogramming, REAS2/3



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electrons

CORSIKA + COAST interface Histogram

Histogramming for Radio Simulation with REAS2/3

CORSIKA + COAST interface THRadio



3-dimensional histograms in 50 planes equidistant in grammage
(time/radius/energy and zenith/azimuth/energy)



REAS2/3



Simulated radio antenna signals

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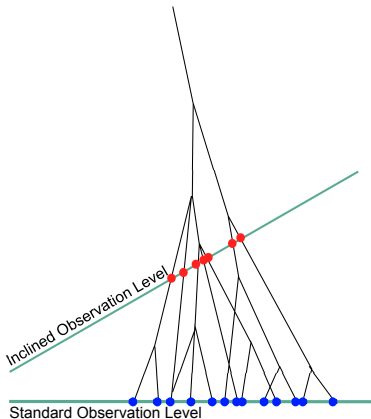


REAS2/3



Simulated radio antenna signals

Inclined Observation Levels (v1r0)



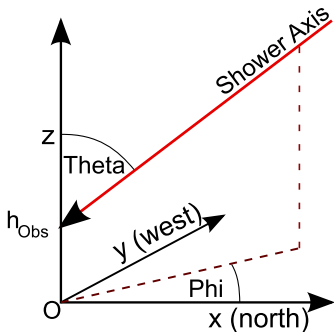
WARNING

The version of `InclinedPlane` in `coast-interfaces-v4r1` is [alpha-v0r1](#). It works, but produces difficult to interpret output.

The version [v1r0](#) of `InclinedPlane` will be release soon, and is presented here.

New CORSIKA Steering Option

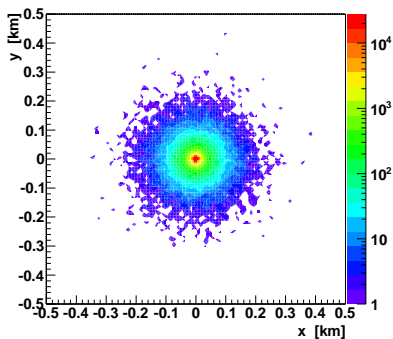
In combination with COAST interface InclinedPlane:
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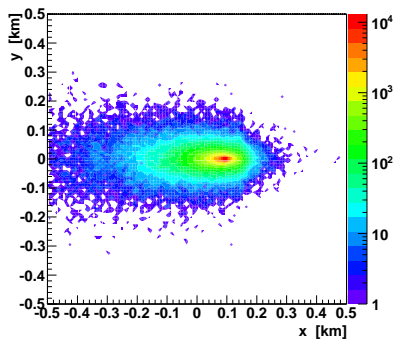
- Particles below the standard flat observation level (OBSLEV) are discarded by CORSIKA
- Output coordinate system of particles in INCLIN is identical to the one for the standard OBSLEV

Inclined Observation Levels

Standard observation level
0 m a.s.l.



Inclined observation level
1 km a.s.l., 70° around x-axis



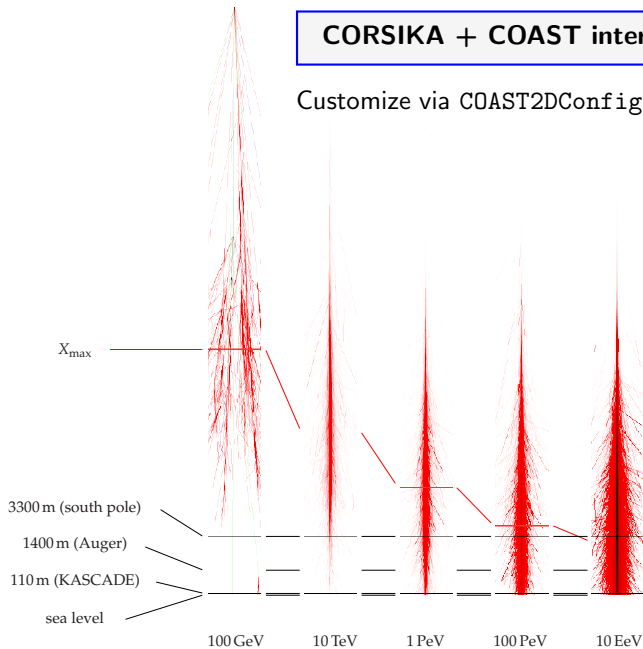
(vertical proton primary at 10^{16} eV)

CORSIKA steering card

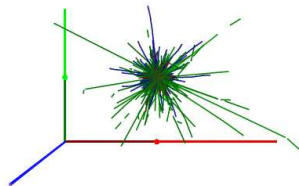
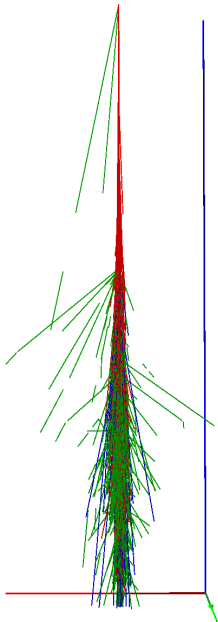
```
INCLIN 0. 0. 1000.E2 70. 0.  
OBSLEV 0.
```

CORSIKA + COAST interface plot2D

Customize via COAST2DConfig.config



Plotting (3D)



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e.m.

- Full ROOT 3D graphics
- Customize via configuration file
COAST3DConfig.config

CORSIKA + COAST interface 3D

CORSIKA to ROOTOUT converter

- Convert existing CORSIKA output into ROOTOUT format
- Tool at `COAST_DIR/CorsikaToROOT/corsika2root`

CORSIKA binary data reader

- Read CORSIKA binary data
- Auto-detect thinning
- See for example at
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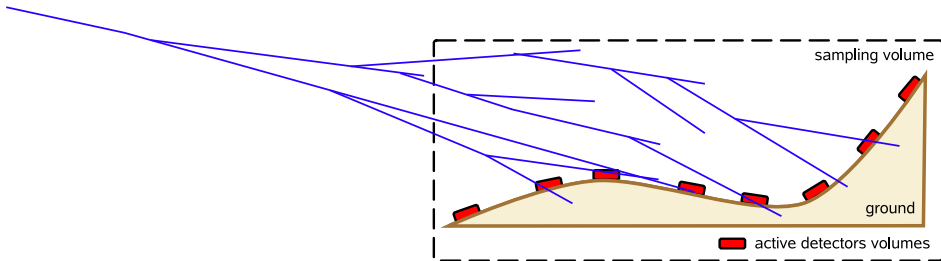
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Potential Application of COAST



Extremely inclined showers + complicated detector geometry

⇒ Sampling of air showers on flat observation level is not appropriate

⇒ **Volume sampling**

⇒ **Detector Monte-Carlo (e.g. GEANT4) at run-time within CORSIKA**

Summary

- COAST is a powerful C++ interface for CORSIKA
- Several useful interfaces are provided (Histograms, 2D- and 3D-Visualization, etc.)
- Easy to develop own code
- See <http://www-ik.fzk.de/~rulrich/coast> for updates/details
- Soon: full integration into CORSIKA (code + build system)

Preparation for COAST exercise

Requirements: **ROOT** for histograms. There is a recent root tar file on the USB-sticks. Please install (unpack, define ROOTSYS, ./configure, make).

- **coast-v4r1** and **coast-interfaces-v4r1** are on the USB-sticks
- **coast-exercises-ooty.tar.gz** from:
www-ik.fzk.de/~rulrich/coast/releases