



Confidence Levels with ROOT

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Tlimit is a ROOT add-on.

It computes limits using the Likelihood ratio method using the method originally implemented by Tom Junk in fortran77.

The classes are

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- **TLimitDataSource**

It takes the signal, background and data histograms to form a channel. More channels can be added using AddChannel(), as well as different systematic sources.

- **TLimit**

It is the actual algorithm. It takes a TLimitDataSource as input and runs a set of MC experiments in order to compute the limits. If needed, the inputs (s_i and b_i) are fluctuated within their systematics. The output is a TConfidenceLevel

- **TConfidenceLevel**

It is the final result of the algorithm. It is created just after the time-consuming part and can be stored in a TFile for further processing. It contains light methods to return CLs, CLb and other interesting quantities.

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TLimitDataSource class

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Main methods are:

- `TLimitDataSource()`;
default constructor
- `TLimitDataSource(TH1F* s, TH1F* b, TH1F* d)`;
usefull constructor, creates an analysis channel with signal, background and data histograms
- `virtual void AddChannel(TH1F*, TH1F*, TH1F*)`;
adds a channel
- `virtual void AddChannel(TH1F*, TH1F*, TH1F*, TH1F*, TH1F*, TObjArray*)`;
adds a channel with systematics. The 3 last arguments are:
TH1F* error on the signal
TH1F* error on the background
1 bin = 1 error source for that channel (relative error)
`TObjArray*` name of the error sources
errors with the same name are 100% correlated.
- `virtual void SetOwner(bool swtch=kTRUE)`;
sets the TLimitDataSource owner of the histograms.
They will be deleted with the TLimitDataSource



Tlimit class

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```
TConfidenceLevel* TLimit::ComputeLimit  
    (TLimitDataSource* data,  
     Int_t nmc, TRandom* generator,  
     Double_t (*statistic)(Double_t, Double_t, Double_t) stat)
```

- **data** is the input `TLimitDataSource`.
- **nmc** is the number of MC experiments to produce
- **generator** is the MC generator used. Default is `TRandom3` (Mersenne Twister)
- **stat** is the function used as statistic. Default is `TLimit::LogLikelihood`



TConfidenceLevel class

Object returned by Tlimit::Compute().

Contains all the information to provide limits.

Interesting public methods are:

```
Double_t GetStatistic() const ;
Double_t GetExpectedStatistic_b(Int_t sigma = 0) const;
Double_t GetExpectedStatistic_sb(Int_t sigma = 0) const;
Double_t CLb(bool use_sMC = kFALSE) const;
Double_t CLsb(bool use_sMC = kFALSE) const; ←
Double_t CLs(bool use_sMC = kFALSE) const;
Double_t GetExpectedCLb_sb(Int_t sigma = 0) const;
Double_t GetExpectedCLb_b(Int_t sigma = 0) const; ←
Double_t GetExpectedCLsb_b(Int_t sigma = 0) const;
Double_t GetExpectedCLs_b(Int_t sigma = 0) const ; ←
Double_t GetAverageCLs() const;
Double_t GetAverageCLsb() const;
Double_t Get3sProbability() const;
Double_t Get5sProbability() const;
Int_t    GetDtot() const ;
Double_t GetStot() const ;
Double_t GetBtot() const ;
```

It can be stored as is in a ROOT file.



Installing and using it.

As for all ROOT add-ons:

The simplest way to use those classes in an interactive ROOTCINT session is to include the headers in your files and to just call:

```
.L TLimitDataSource.cpp+  
.L TConfidenceLevel.cpp+  
.L TLimit.cpp+
```

at the beginning of the session.

Then, supposing that there is a plotfile.root file containing 3 histograms (signal, background and data), you can imagine doing things like:

```
TFile* infile=new TFile("plotfile.root","READ");  
infile->cd();  
TH1F* sh=(TH1F*)infile->Get("signal");  
TH1F* bh=(TH1F*)infile->Get("background");  
TH1F* dh=(TH1F*)infile->Get("data");  
TLimitDataSource* mydatasource = new TLimitDataSource(sh,bh,dh);  
TConfidenceLevel *myconfidence = TLimit::ComputeLimit(mydatasource,50000);  
cout << "CLs   : " << CLs() << endl;  
cout << "CLsb  : " << CLsb() << endl;  
cout << "CLb   : " << CLb() << endl;  
cout << "< CLs > : " << GetExpectedCLs_b() << endl;  
cout << "< CLsb > : " << GetExpectedCLsb_b() << endl;  
cout << "< CLb > : " << GetExpectedCLb_b() << endl;  
delete myconfidence;  
delete mydatasource;  
infile->Close();
```



Over the method:

- HEP-EX/9902006
- Tom Junk 's page :

<http://thomasj.home.cern.ch/thomasj/searchlimits/ecl.html>

Over the implementation:

- this presentation
- the ALPHA++ web-site « tools »link:

<http://cern.ch/aleph-proj-alphapp/doc/tlimit.html>