Subject: [WARN] Removing candidates while looping over TCandList Posted by Klaus Götzen on Fri, 30 Nov 2012 10:31:04 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi,

I just wanted to point you to a (possible) problem when looping over TCandList and removing candidates of this list within the loop.

It seems at some places in macro/run/..., a routine similar to the following one is used:

```
int n_removed=0, i=0;
for (l=0; l<list.GetLength(); ++l)
{
    i = l-n_removed;
    if( ... Some criterion ...)
    {
        list.Remove( list[i] );
        n_removed++;
    }
}</pre>
```

This actually does not work properly, since it doesn't take into account, that the quantity 'list.GetLength()' is changed by the removal process.

It can be fixed by replacing

```
for (l=0; l<list.GetLength(); ++l)</pre>
```

by

```
int nl = list.GetLength();
for (l=0; l<nl; ++l)</pre>
```

At least for me, this worked correctly afterwards. The safest thing of course is to do something like

TCandList newlist;

```
for (l=0; l<list.GetLength(); ++l)
{
    if( ... the OPPOSITE criterion ...) )
        newlist.Put( list[i] );
}</pre>
```

list=newlist;

In case you used the first kind of construction in one of your analysis studies, you should check

Best regards, Klaus

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