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Subject: Re: PSA-hit Energy  
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Hello Riccardo,

sorry for the late reply.

I'm not completely sure what happens there. But I have a guess:

The data written into the root files have the same format as all arrays inside the analysis framework,

Here is an explanation of what I mean:

[https://forum.gsi.de/index.php?t=msg&goto=17154&&srch=array#\\_msg\\_17154](https://forum.gsi.de/index.php?t=msg&goto=17154&&srch=array#_msg_17154)

If an array is written to a root file with the same picture in mind.

The root tree gets the following entries:

- 1) one integer with the number of entries in the array (N)
- 2) one array with N entries, containing values
- 3) one array with N entries, containing indices (or channels)

Essentially, the arrays can have different N for each event.

If you are looking at gamma ray data, N is the gamma multiplicity.

if you draw such a leaf with the Draw() function of Root, it assumes that all arrays in all events have the same length. The old code (new\_prespec\_Go4) used a different way of representing the data in root trees, namely a plain array with as many indices as the maximum expected multiplicity. All places in the array that were not filled, get a default value.

I guess, to get rid of the spikes in the spectrum, you have to write an event-loop explicitly:

```
for (int event = 0; n < Nevents; ++n) // loop over all events
{
  for (int i = 0; i < gamma__energy_length) // loop over all gammas in one event
    hist->Fill(gamma__energy_value[i]);
}
```

I didn't test that code, that is just a suggestion...