

Using the Managed Cluster Service

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Computing Options

- **Attendees of workshop will receive temporary accounts allowing use of:**
 - MCS machines in the main room hosting the workshop: Ubuntu 14.04.4 LTS
 - Cambridge HEP group resources: SLC6 with CVMFS access to LArSoft releases

- **The workshop includes two exercises using Pandora in LArSoft (inputs and outputs), plus seven exercises best tackled in the Pandora standalone development environment.**
- It is suggested that you use local installations of ROOT and Pandora on the MCS machines for the main Pandora algorithm-development exercises.
- For the LArSoft exercises, it is suggested that you use the MCS machines to access the Cambridge HEP group computing resources.



Computing Options

- Could use Fermilab computing resources for LArSoft exercises, but X11 forwarding of Pandora visualisation (optional part of Exercise 1) will be unbearably slow.
- Could use your own laptop for any of the exercises, and setting-up the Pandora standalone environment should be quite simple:
 - Just need ROOT installation (including TEVE visualisation) and compiler supporting C++11 standard
 - Exercises prepared using OSX El Capitan, 10.11.5, Apple LLVM 7.0.2 (clang-700.1.81), ROOT 5.34.32

MCS machines for Pandora standalone (plus Cambridge HEP for LArSoft) probably the fastest way to get set up and start developing Pandora algorithms!



You will usually find that a PC in a MCS room is already switched on, and displaying a Windows information/start screen. If the screen is blank, move the mouse to wake the display. If the machine is switched off, switch it on and go to step 2, below.

- 1 Hold down the Ctrl and Alt keys while pressing Delete. A warning message about use of the system is displayed; click on OK. At the Windows login screen click on the triangle at the right-hand side of the the red icon at the bottom right of the screen and, from the pull-down menu, select Restart
- 2 After some preliminary checks, the system will ask you to select the operating system to start; use the down arrow key to highlight MCS Linux and then press Enter ↵ to confirm your choice. If you wait too long to make your selection, the system will start the default operating system, which for most machines is Windows.
- 3 A splash screen appears and the system continues to boot into Linux. If the system has to update itself this may take some time, and it may reboot.
- 4 A dialog box is displayed, asking for your username. Enter your user id then press Enter ↵.
- 5 A dialog box is displayed, asking for your password. Enter your password then press Enter ↵.
- 6 Your desktop will then load. A window containing the Message of the Day will appear, after the window manager has completely started, the launcher and a menu bar appear.

MCS Linux is based on Ubuntu and uses the Unity interface to the GNOME desktop environment.

See <http://www.ucs.cam.ac.uk/desktop-services/mcs/basiclinux#section-1>

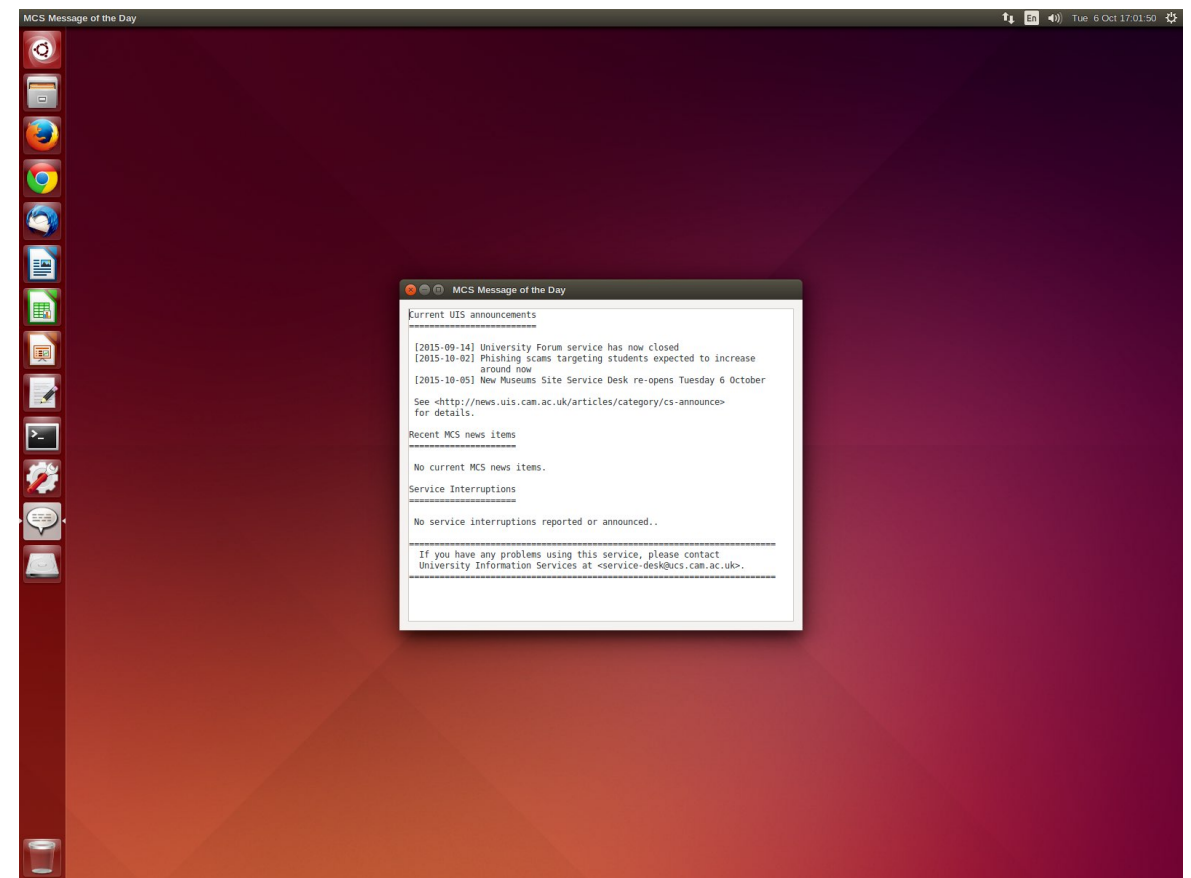


MCS Linux



MCS Linux login screen

MCS Linux desktop



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Installing ROOT



- Only remaining pre-requisite for getting started with the Pandora standalone environment
 - gcc 4.8.4 and cmake 2.8.12.2 already available on MCS machines

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Release 5.34/32 - 2015-06-23

Release Notes

The release notes for this release can be found [here](#)

Source distributions

Platform	Files	Size
source	root_v5.34.32.source.tar.gz	72M

Binary distributions

Platform	Files	Size
CentOS Cern 7 gcc4.8	root_v5.34.32.Linux-cc7-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz	71M
CentOS Cern 7 gcc4.9	root_v5.34.32.Linux-cc7-x86_64-gcc4.9.tar.gz	72M
Linux fedora20 gcc4.8	root_v5.34.32.Linux-fedora20-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz	57M
Scientific Linux Cern 6 gcc4.4	root_v5.34.32.Linux-slc6-x86_64-gcc4.4.tar.gz	69M
Scientific Linux Cern 6 gcc4.7	root_v5.34.32.Linux-slc6-x86_64-gcc4.7.tar.gz	71M
Scientific Linux Cern 6 gcc4.8	root_v5.34.32.Linux-slc6-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz	71M
Scientific Linux Cern 6 gcc4.9	root_v5.34.32.Linux-slc6-x86_64-gcc4.9.tar.gz	72M
Ubuntu 12 gcc4.6	root_v5.34.32.Linux-ubuntu12-x86_64-gcc4.6.tar.gz	57M
Ubuntu 14 gcc4.8	root_v5.34.32.Linux-ubuntu14-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz	62M

For use with MCS machines



Installing ROOT



```
export MY_TEST_AREA=/path/to/your/test/area
cd $MY_TEST_AREA
```

```
wget https://root.cern.ch/download/root_v5.34.32.Linux-ubuntu14-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz
```

```
tar -xvzf root_v5.34.32.Linux-ubuntu14-x86_64-gcc4.8.tar.gz
```

```
source $MY_TEST_AREA/root/bin/thisroot.sh
```

To (locally) resolve ROOT font-corruption issues on this platform, can make a small edit:

```
nano $MY_TEST_AREA/root/etc/system.rootrc
```

```
# GUI style: modern (flat popup menus), modern-flat (flat frames), or classic (win 95 style)
Gui.Style:                modern-flat
Gui.DefaultFont:          *-helvetica-medium-r-*-12-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.MenuFont:             *-helvetica-medium-r-*-12-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.MenuHiFont:           *-helvetica-bold-r-*-12-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.DocFixedFont:         *-courier-medium-r-*-12-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.DocPropFont:          *-helvetica-medium-r-*-12-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.IconFont:             *-helvetica-medium-r-*-10-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.StatusFont:           *-helvetica-medium-r-*-10-*-*-*-*-*iso8859-1
Gui.BackgroundColor:     #e8e8e8
Gui.ForegroundColor:      black
```

Change Gui.IconFont size to e.g. 12

Change from 10 to 12, then save

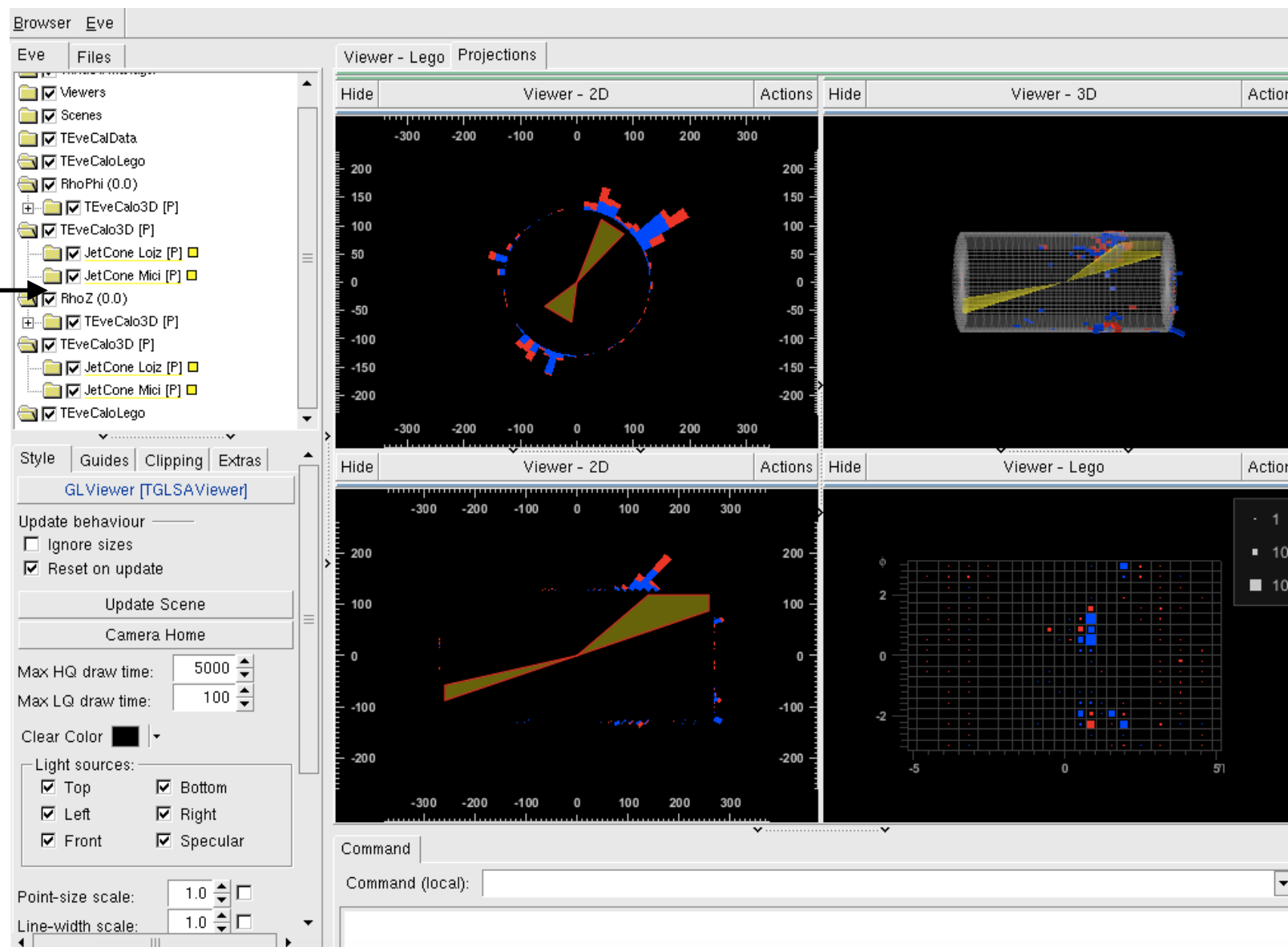


Installing ROOT

Test functionality via

```
root $MY_TEST_AREA/root/tutorials/eve/calorimeters.C
```

Font distortion here, unless address as on previous slide (or similar)



Now ready to start Exercise 2, working in Pandora standalone environment



Running LArSoft

- Can use MCS machines purely as a terminal to access remote computing resources.
 - Easier than trying to install LArSoft on these machines, with limited permissions, etc.
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- Recommend that you use your separate account for the Cambridge HEP systems.
 - Access LArSoft installations published to CVMFS.
 - After sourcing a setup script, everything should look just like it does at Fermilab.
 - Could alternatively access Fermilab systems e.g. `uboonegpvm0X.fnal.gov`
 - Should be fine for jobs running in the terminal, but X11 forwarding unbearably slow.
 - Works (in principle), but basically unusable if you try to forward an event display.



Running LArSoft



Allocated individually

To use Cambridge HEP resources



```
ssh -XY username@machinename.hep.phy.cam.ac.uk
```

```
source /cvmfs/uboone.opensciencegrid.org/products/setup_uboone.sh  
setup uboonecode v05_13_00 -q e9:prof
```

```
lar -h
```

Usage: lar <-c <config-file>> <other-options> [<source-file>]+

Allowed options:

-c [--config] arg

-h [--help]

--process-name arg

--print-available arg

--print-available-modules

...

Configuration file.

produce help message

art process name.

List all available plugins with the provided suffix. Choose from:

'module'

'plugin'

'service'

'source'

List all available modules that can be invoked in a FHiCL file.

Now ready to start Exercise 1 and 6, working with Pandora in LArSoft