

LArSoft Coordination Meeting

Release and project report

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Today's agenda and speakers

- Release and project report (Erica)
- Survey of module and service usage across LArSoft (Kyle Knoepfel, Saba Sehrish)
- Change to geometry code affecting some drift distance calculations (Gianluca Petrillo in absentia)
- AOB

Releases

- Last week

- Released v08_20_00 on May 15
 - Updates to Pandora
 - Improvements to OpDetWaveformDumper
 - Bug fixes on develop

- This week

- ifdhc update (so a new nutools)
- Wire-cell toolkit update
- Fix for backwards compatibility bug in v08_19_01
 - Observed as problem reading in recob::Vertex created by v07 series release

Migration to python 3

- Discussed migrating to python 3 last week
 - See the discussion in the [May 7 Release and project report](#)
 - One notable point: migrating to python 3 requires dropping SLF6
- **Seeking feedback from experiments, users**
 - Do you support a move to python v3?
 - If so, on what timescale?
 - What if any support would you need from LArSoft?

nutools re-factoring

- The problem

- nutools tightly couples several disparate products into a single ups product
 - E.g., Geant4, Genie,...
 - **Version of nutools tied to specific versions of those products**
 - No underlying reason for this strong coupling
- LArSoft depends strongly on nutools (i.e., to specific versions)
 - **Couples LArSoft to specific versions of those underlying products**

- The solution

- Re-factor nutools into separate components
- Allows experiments (including NOvA) flexibility to select products independently of other experiments
 - Provided interfaces (which may be data products) don't change
- NOvA (the other major nutools stakeholder) agrees with this strategy

nutools re-factoring

- The plan
 - Working on developing a detailed proposal / plan this week
 - Hope to be ready by next LCM
 - Current thinking: break nutools into the following:
 - Genie interface product
 - GenieHelper and related code
 - Geant4 interface product
 - G4Helper, G4PhysicsLists, etc.
 - Random number services
 - Everything else

Seeking comments, other feedback

The end