



ALVisu : a simple 3D viewer

UCL

What it is ?

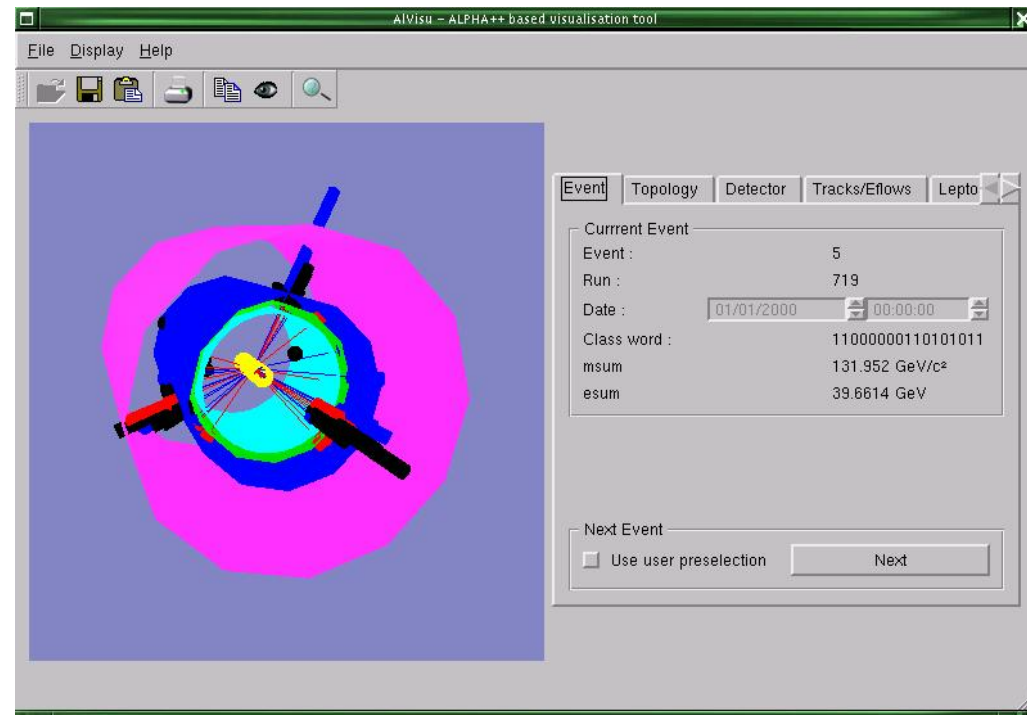
Simple 3D viewer

- vertex information
- simple detector
(to guide the eyes)
- based on ALPHA++

What it is not ?

A Dali replacement

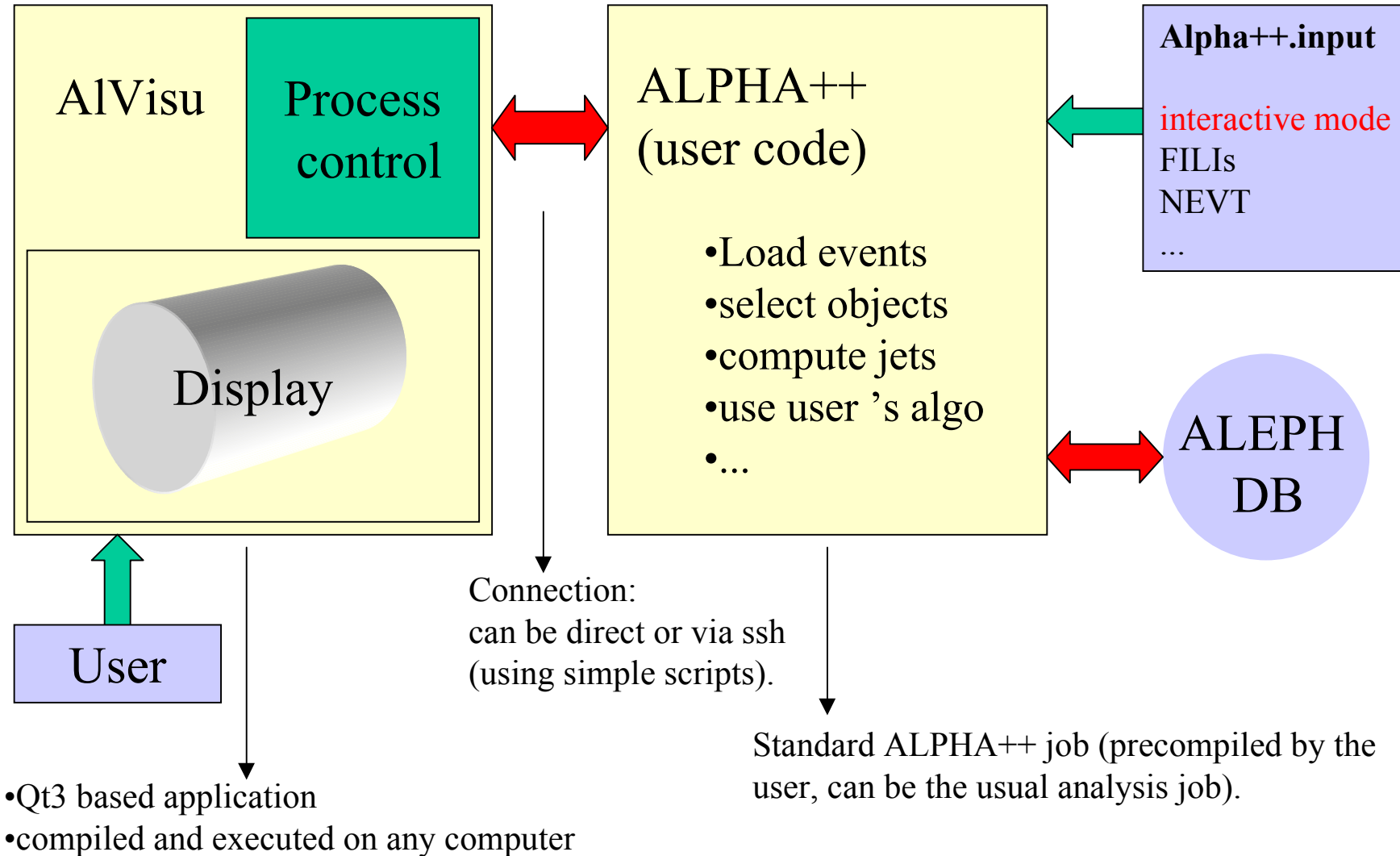
- no calo information
- no curvature
- ...



You can turn around an event, and better understand the signature (dynamical cuts), but you don't have access to all the details of the event (only point-like information)



How it works ?



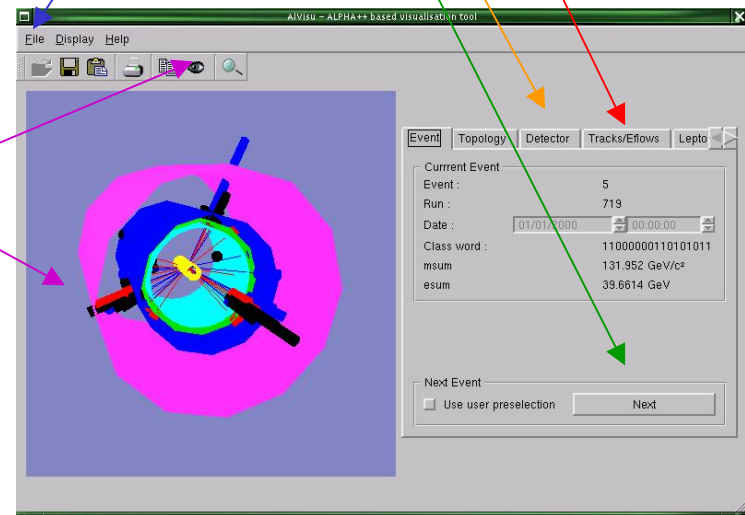


A typical ALVisu session

UCL

•ALVisu

- Run ALVisu
- File, Open...** select the ALPHA++ binary to you want to run
 - alpha++.input must be in the ALVisu directory, or you must use scripts (e.g. to run via ssh)
 - this will unlock the main interface
 - you can see the messages send from/to ALPHA++ in the standard output window
- Press '**Request next event**' on the main window
 - wait... the tape has to be staged...
 - when the event is loaded, run/event are displayed on the main display
- Select the track tab and **request the Eflows**
 - they are now displayed on the scene
- Select the detector tab and **display the ecal endcaps**
- Choose your view angle**
 - look at the event :-)
- File, Quit.**
 - Done.

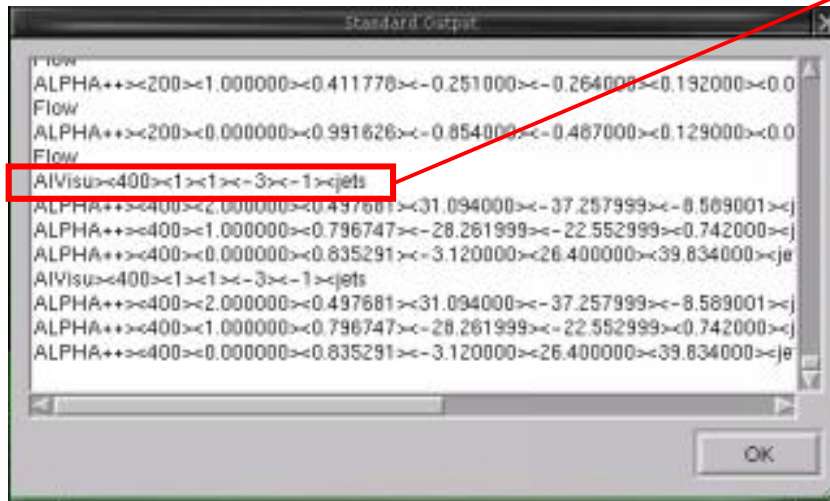




Listening the conversation...

The « standard output » window allows you to look at the messages send to/from ALPHA++

Typical message:



AIVisu<400><1><1><-3><-1><jets

sender

options

comment

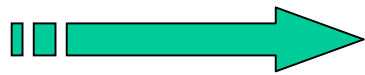
Request : 400 = jets



To use a remote code via ssh

UCL

AlVisu is a very graphical user interface, not really suited to remote X connections.



It 's interesting to be able to run AlVisu locally and the « slave » ALPHA++ code remotely (on lxplus)

How to do it ?

Set up a script locally:

```
#!/bin/sh  
ssh login@lxplus.cern.ch '~/remotescript'
```

Set up a script remotely:

```
#!/bin/tcsh  
cd ~/alpha++/temp/Applications  
Linux/test1 -l0
```

Then simply select the local script from AlVisu to start.

Don't forget to type your password in the xterm where AlVisu was started.



What 's new in ALPHA++

UCL

3 classes were added in the driver part:

AlephInteractiveHandler

```
void ConfigureProtocol (string myname, string yourname)
void InitiateConnection (int &ier)
int  HandleEvent (AlphaBanks &bb)
void CloseConnection ()
bool KeepAllEvents ()
Static AlephInteractiveHandler * TheAlephInteractiveHandler ()
```

- is responsible for the communication with AIVisu via the standard output.
- is a singleton instanciated by the Execution manager
- is used in the newly created interactive loop

AlephAbstractInteractiveFunction

```
virtual string  Name ()=0
virtual int     Code ()=0
virtual void    Run (vector< float > &options, AlphaBanks &EventInfo)=0
virtual vector< pair< string,float > > OptionsList ()=0
🔒 void SendMessage (int code, vector< float > &options, string comment)
```

- Is an abstract function
- is the generic class for all interactive actions

AlephRegisteredAction <T>

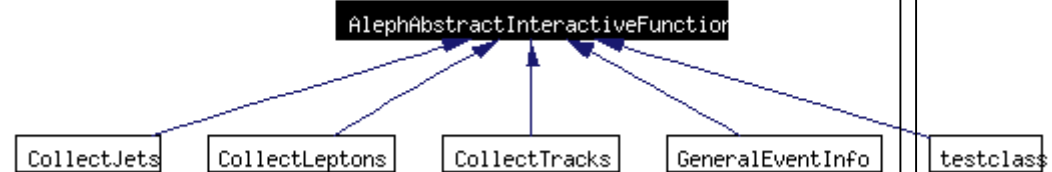
- Used to register an interactive function.



What 's new in ALPHA++

UCL

Default situation:



Example code test1

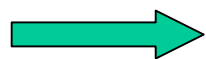
In AlephExManagers,
the interactive functions are declared:

```
// initialisation of default interactive functions  
AlephRegisteredAction<GeneralEventInfo> code100;  
AlephRegisteredAction<CollectTracks> code200;  
AlephRegisteredAction<CollectLeptons> code300;  
AlephRegisteredAction<CollectJets> code400;
```

Modification of an existing class: UserEvent now returns a bool.

- True: good event
- False: bad event

This is used to display only good events (if requested) according to user's definition.



Version 3.4 not backward compatible...



Adding a new function

It's very easy to add a new functionality to AlVisu using the standard interface.

- Create a new class, deriving from [AlephAbstractInteractiveFunction](#).
- Implement:
 - `virtual string Name()`
returning the name of the function
 - `virtual int Code()`
returning a number larger than 500
 - `virtual vector<pair<string,float> > OptionsList()`
returning a vector of pair (option name, default value)
 - `virtual void Run(vector<float>& options, AlphaBanks& EventInfo)`
the actual function (UserEvent-like)
- In `UserInit()`,
instanciate [AlephRegisteredAction](#), templeted with your new class.



Conventions

There are some conventions in the format of the returned objects.

Argument 1: **index**.

Decreasing number $n \rightarrow 0$.

When 0 is received, this is interpreted as the last object, and everything is drawn.

Argument 2: **object type**.

- 1 a track
- 2 an eflow
- 3 a lepton
- 4 a jet

Next arguments are **function of the object type**:

track: px, py, pz, ch

eflow: E, px, py, pz, ch

lepton: E, px, py, pz, ch, flavour(1:e 2: μ 3: τ)

jets: $\cos(\theta)$, px, py, pz *$\cos(\theta)$ gives the cone half-angle*

In your code, you can use the SendMessage function to send well-formatted messages (with additional code and message).



An example

UCL

```
class testclass:public AlephAbstractInteractiveFunction
{
    public:
        testclass(AlephInteractiveHandler*ptr):
            AlephAbstractInteractiveFunction(ptr) {}
        virtual string Name() {return "test";}
        virtual int Code() {return 555;}
        virtual void Run(vector<float>& options,AlphaBanks&
EventInfo)
        {
            // dummy routine: returns always the same track,
eflow and the same jet
            vector<float> output;
            output.push_back(2);
            output.push_back(1); // a track
            output.push_back(3); // px
            output.push_back(0); // py
            output.push_back(0); // pz
            output.push_back(0); // ch
            SendMessage(Code(),output,"Dummy test routine");
            output.clear();
            output.push_back(1);
            output.push_back(2); // an eflow
            output.push_back(10); // E
            output.push_back(0); // px
            output.push_back(10); // py
            output.push_back(0); // pz
        }
};
```

```
        output.push_back(1); // ch
        SendMessage(Code(),output,"Dummy test routine");
        output.clear();
        output.push_back(0);
        output.push_back(4); // a jet
        output.push_back(0.5); // sin theta ~ radius
        output.push_back(0); // px
        output.push_back(0); // py
        output.push_back(5); // pz
        SendMessage(Code(),output,"Dummy test routine");
    }
    virtual vector<pair<string,float> > OptionsList()
    {
        vector<pair<string,float> > output ;
        pair<string,float> mypair;
        mypair.first = "option 1";
        mypair.second = 10;
        output.push_back(mypair);
        mypair.first = "dummy 2";
        mypair.second = 3.1415;
        output.push_back(mypair);
        return output;
    }
};

void AlephExManager::UserInit()
{
    AlephRegisteredAction<testclass> mytestclass;
}
```



- Up to now, this presentation is the main source of informations.
- A chapter will be available in the ALPHA++ manual, describing the ALPHA++ part and the full protocol.
- There are some informations on the website:
| <http://cern.ch/aleph-proj-alphapp/doc/alvisu.html>
- The interface *should be* self-explanatory



If you use it and have problems/questions, please contact me.