flair v2 status

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Flair V2 was released on May 2014 and used for the first time in the 15th Beginners FLUKA course in Thessaloniki Greece.

Currently few resistant to changes persons still use V1

- Major user interface relooking
- Major code restructuring: resulted in less lines with more functionality :) and hopefully more robust
- Many changes towards python v3
- More intuitive actions and behaviour from the program (e.g. USR-1D less options providing the same functionality, renaming, copy&paste in geometry editor...)
- Run-->Data, user customizable commands to process the data
- Keyboard bindings for accessing the ribbon
- Volume calculations (still in development)
- Copy&Paste of plots from project to project

flair v2[cont]

- DXF library to import 2D DXF drawings, converting to connected paths
- Matplotlib bindings (started)
- Strict order checking of $start_transform, translat, expand
- Run job submission and monitoring decoupled from GUI (GA)
- Several optimization
  - Directory caching for faster accessing folders with a lot of files
  - Scanning for current event is done manually
- install.sh for easier update to the svn version
- Manual.py can export the manual in .html format
- More robust threadpool for parallel processing

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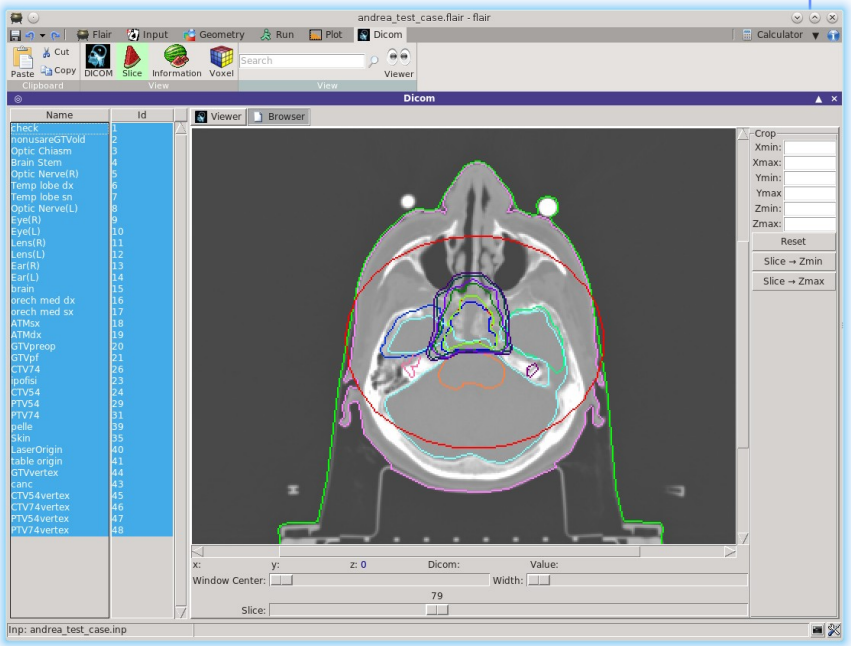
- Import from GDML improved (PolyCones and material importing)
- Export to OpenSCAD format
- Lock & Freeze buttons on geometry
- FOV in the 3D plots
- OpenGL bindings in the geometry editor for possibly using it as hardware accelerated viewer
- VOXEL 3D tracking improved (x3) by simplifying the inner loop using only additions and comparisons
- Auto correcting overlapping regions in 2D
- Multiple bugs fixes

DICOM

- .flair format change to accommodate multiple DICOM
- Rewritten DICOM using the numpy, with a remarkable performance improvement in the DICOM processing.
- Tree based dicom browser
- Reading and Plotting of RTSTRUCT
- Inclusion of the RSTRUCT inside the VOXEL file, using a mapping dictionary to describe all structures per each voxel.
- Offline DVH histogram calculations
- Added magnetic field flag in the VOXEL generation



Genetic algorithms

Genetic algorithms optimization python library

For the moment not accessible through the graphical interface

In the field of artificial intelligence, a genetic algorithm (GA) is a search that mimics the process of natural selection. It is commonly used to optimize problems using techniques inspired by natural evolution

Description:

- Each individual is described by a chromosome = a list of alleles (genes)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J

  In flair is a list of #define variables, where each one contains an *int*, *float*, or *list of choices* (e.g. materials)

- Population = a group of individual
  Initially the population is built randomly

Genetic algorithms (cont)

- Fitting function: the value to minimize/maximize, a user supplied function that calculates a single value for each individual

  In flair the fitting function is the outcome of one or many estimators after a FLUKA run

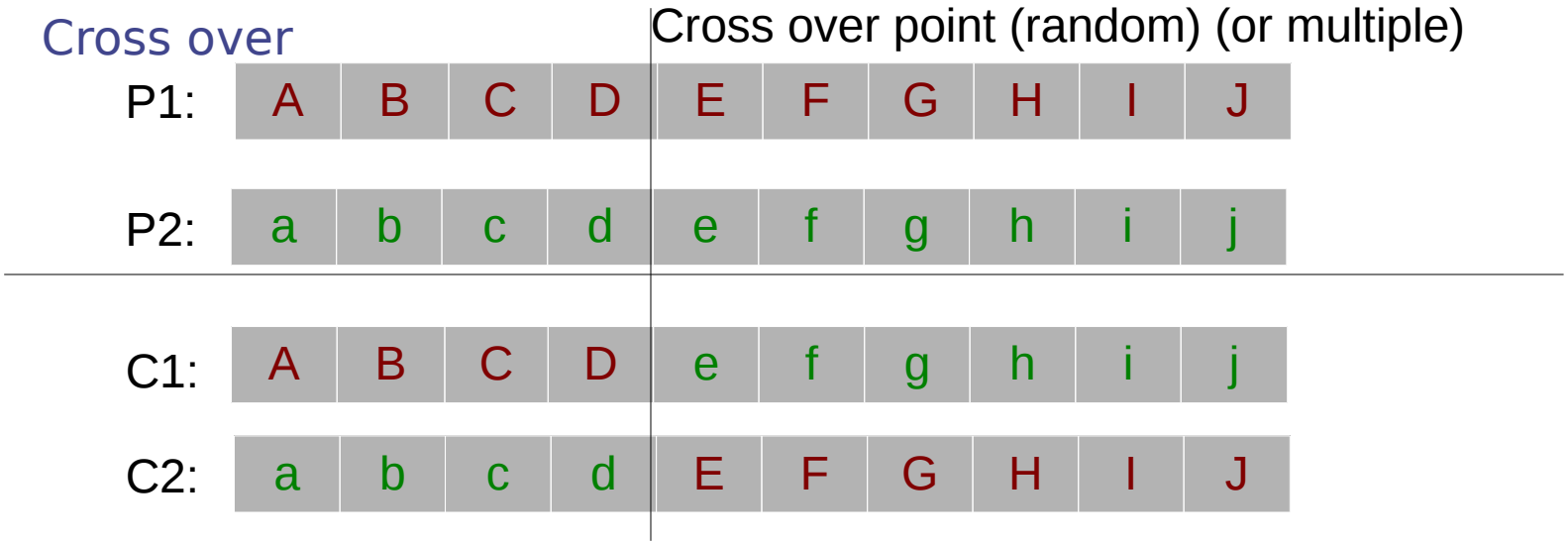
  This is the most complicated step:

  1) To define a proper fitting function
  2) To write the code to extract it
  3) When to stop?

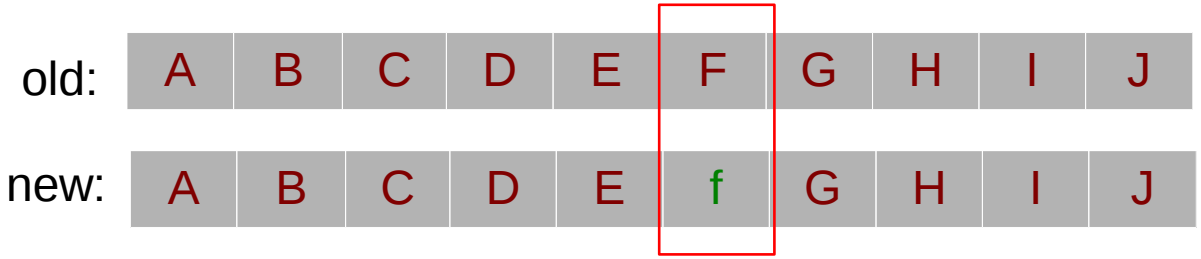
- On each step=generation, the whole population is evaluated (with the fitting function) and sorted
- A new generation (child) population is generated using the following operations: Selection, Cross Over, Mutation

Genetic algorithms (cont)

- Selection: selecting randomly the fittest parents
- Cross over

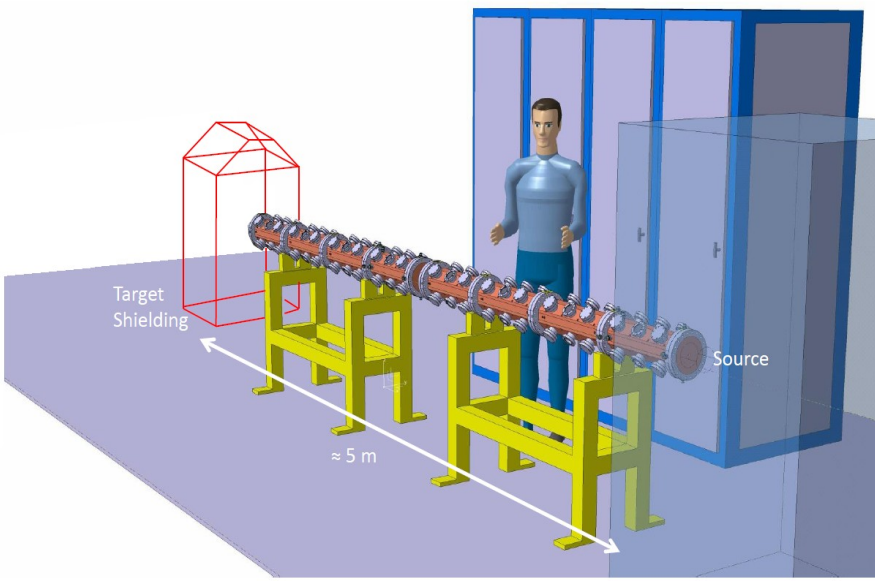


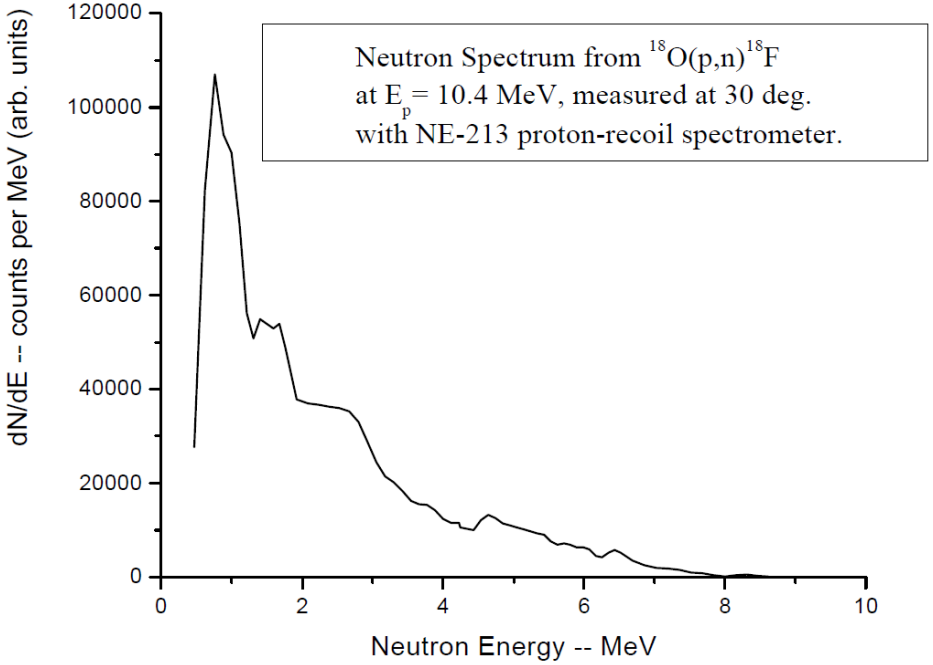
- Mutation (very low probability 0.2%)



Example: HF RFQ optimization

- Shielding calculations for the HF-RFQ from the neutrons out of the $^{18}O(p,n)^{18}F$
- For 20uA p the saturated value gives 1.26 10^{11}n/s
- Goal to find the best configuration to minimize the outside dose





HF RFQ Shielding

- Onion like, spherical geometry with #defined material per 10cm layer
- Fitting function: Minimum dose on an external thin layer
- Materials considered: PE, B-PE, Fe, Cu, W, Concrete,...

#define	BIAS	3
#define	MAT1	BERYLLIU
#define	MAT2	POLYETHY
#define	MAT3	COPPER
#define	MAT4	COPPER
#define	MAT5	COPPER
#define	MAT6	POLYETHY
#define	MAT7	COPPER
#define	MAT8	POLYETHY
#define	MAT9	POLY-BOR
#define	MAT10	POLYETHY

---------- TITLE ... GEOEND :
---------- MATERIAL ... #elif :

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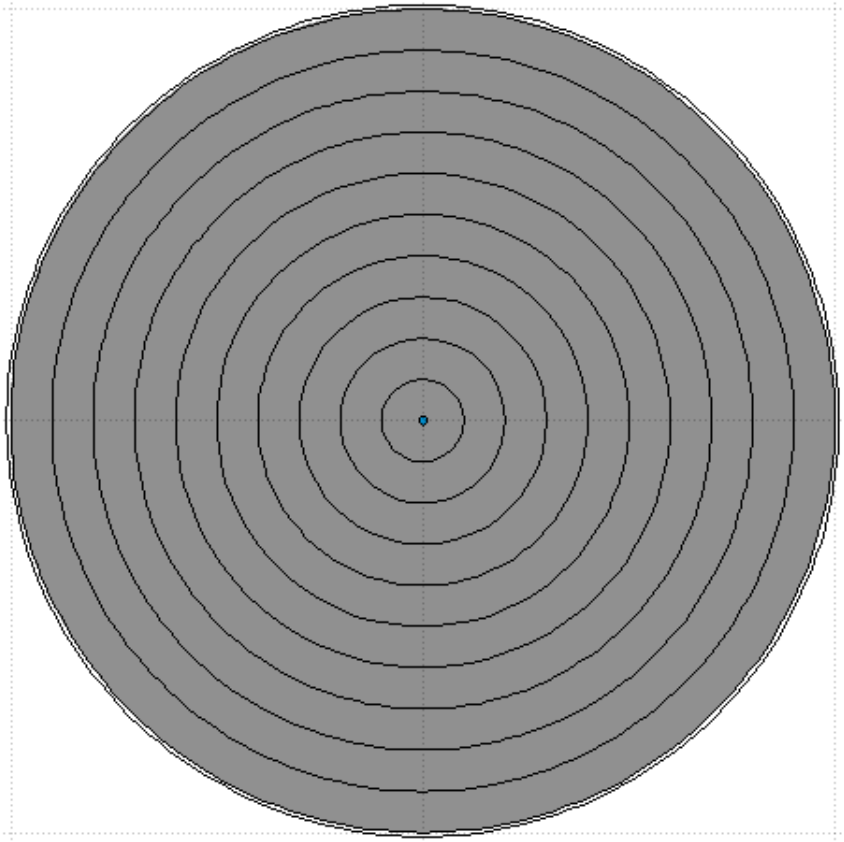
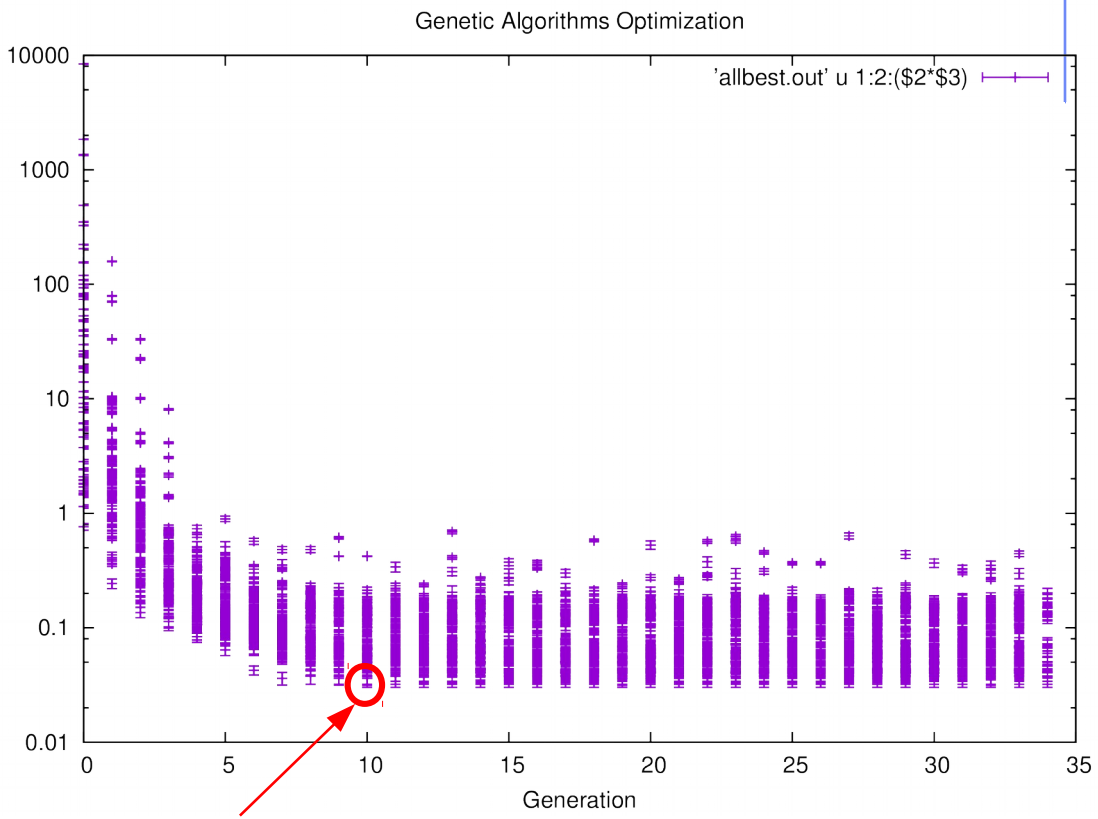


HF RFQ: Results

- Running 40 generations of 60 individuals = 2400 FLUKA runs



Fittest individual
from 10th generation

Ongoing

- Medical RTPLAN, RTSTRUCT...
- GA integration in the interface
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