

Exercise 8: Trees and Fishers

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1. **Root trees and simple cuts** On the course website, you find a root file, named `tree_ex8.root`. It contains a made-up analysis *N-tuple*, i.e. a series of numbers for each measured event. For each event there are two measurements x , y and a variable *type*, which is 0 for the signal Monte Carlo, 1 for the background Monte Carlo and 2 for the “data”.

Explore this file in interactive root. You easily access files by creating a `TBrowser` object on the command line. You can also draw the distributions for each variable by clicking it in the `TBrowser`. You can also draw distributions using the command line, giving the name of the tree (in this case `searchTree`) and using the `Draw` command, e.g.

```
> searchTree->Draw("x");
```

You can plot correlations by specifying two variables,

```
> searchTree->Draw("x:y");
```

You can apply cuts (and weights) in the second argument

```
> searchTree->Draw("x:y","type == 2");
```

and you can specify drawing options in the third argument

```
> searchTree->Draw("x:y","type==2","BOX");
```

Explore the given file.

If you want to read the file in a script or program, do something like the following:

```
double x,y;
int type;

TFile * f = new TFile("tree_ex8.root","READ");

TTree * tree = (TTree *) (f->Get("searchTree"));

tree->SetBranchAddress("x",&x);
tree->SetBranchAddress("y",&y);
```

```
tree->SetBranchAddr("type",&type);

for(int event =0; event < tree->GetEntries(); event++){
    tree->GetEntry(event);

    < Do stuff with x,y,type...>
}
```

Try to separate signal and background MC via cuts in either x , y . For an efficiency of 50%, what purity do you obtain?

2. 2D Fisher discriminant

Construct the Fisher discriminant from x and y and the MC events. For an efficiency of 50%, what purity do you obtain?

(Tips: You can use TMatrixD in root for the matrix inversion and other linear algebra stuff. You find a good description of the method at http://research.cs.tamu.edu/prism/lectures/pr/pr_l10.pdf)