

GammaLib - Feature #490

Avoid casts for derived classes

09/19/2012 08:50 PM - Knödlseider Jürgen

Status:	Closed	Start date:	09/20/2012
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assigned To:	Knödlseider Jürgen	% Done:	43%
Category:		Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	00-07-00		
Description			
Subtasks:			
Action # 501: Rework GOptimizer interface			Closed
Action # 500: Rework GXmlNode interface			Closed
Action # 498: Rework GRoi interface			Closed
Action # 497: Rework GPointing interface			Closed
Action # 495: Rework GResponse interface			Closed
Action # 494: Rework GObservation interface			Closed
Action # 493: Rework GInstDir interface			Closed
Action # 492: Rework GEvents interface			Closed
Action # 491: Rework GEvent interface			Closed
Action # 503: Rework GModelSpectral interface			Closed
Action # 499: Rework GModel interface			Closed
Action # 504: Rework GModelTemporal interface			Closed
Action # 502: Rework GModelSpatial interface			Closed
Action # 496: Rework GFitsImage interface			Closed

History

#1 - 09/19/2012 08:53 PM - Knödlseider Jürgen

- Priority changed from Normal to Urgent
- Target version set to 00-07-00
- Estimated time set to 40.00

The Python module includes a couple of cast functions that allow converting from base class pointers to derived class pointers. The necessity for having these casts points to a poorly defined base class interface which should be avoided in the future.

The relevant base class interfaces should be modified so that casts are no longer necessary.

#2 - 09/20/2012 01:00 AM - Knödlseider Jürgen

Here a list of files where Python casts are actually used in GammaLib:

```
inst/cta/test/example_make_model.py: events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
inst/cta/test/example_sim_photons.py: model = cast_GModelSky(models[0])
inst/cta/test/example_sim_photons.py: crab = cast_GModelSky(models[0])
inst/cta/test/test_irf_offset.py: bin = cast_GCTAEventBin(bin)
inst/cta/test/test_model.py: bin = cast_GCTAEventBin(bin)
inst/cta/test/test_model.py: bin = cast_GCTAEventBin(bin)
inst/cta/test/test_radial_acceptance.py: radial = cast_GCTAModelRadialAcceptance(models["Background"]).radial()
inst/lat/test/test_python.py: cube = cast_GLATEventCube(run.events())
inst/mwl/test/test_python.py: crab = cast_GModelSky(model)
test/test_GFits.py: img_double = cast_GFitsImageDouble(fits.image("Double"))
test/test_GFits.py: #img_byte = cast_GFitsImageByte(fits.image("Double"))
```

And here a list of files where Python casts are actually used in ctools:

```
examples/make_binned_analysis.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
examples/make_binned_analysis.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
examples/make_unbinned_analysis.py: list = cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events())
examples/make_unbinned_analysis.py: list = cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events())
scripts/cssens.py: pflux = cast_GModelSky(result_all["Test"]).spectral().flux(emin, emax)
scripts/cssens.py: eflux = cast_GModelSky(result_all["Test"]).spectral().eflux(emin, emax)
scripts/obsutils.py: event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
test/example_survey.py: list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
test/example_survey.py: list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
test/example_survey.py: event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
```

And here a list of other scripts that I currently use on my Mac (in the cta folder):

```
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1/results-v0/example_unbinned_ml_fit.py: events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/fermi/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/fermi/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/fermi/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/fermi-hess/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/fermi-hess/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-hess/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/fermi-hess/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-hess/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic-hess/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic-hess/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic-hess/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic-hess/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/fermi-magic-hess/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_spectrum.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_spectrum.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_spectrum.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_spectrum.py: events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_unbinned.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_unbinned.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_unbinned.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/analyse_crab_unbinned.py: events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/hess-magic/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-analysis/hess.old/analyse.py: events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-analysis/magic/show_spectrum.py: source = cast_GXmlElement(library.element("source", i))
dc1-analysis/magic/show_spectrum.py: spectrum = cast_GXmlElement(source.element("spectrum", 0))
dc1-analysis/magic/show_spectrum.py: node = cast_GXmlElement(spectrum.element("node", k))
dc1-analysis/magic/show_spectrum.py: par_energy = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 0))
dc1-analysis/magic/show_spectrum.py: par_intensity = cast_GXmlElement(node.element("parameter", 1))
dc1-analysis/magic.old/analyse.py: obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-analysis/magic.old/analyse.py: rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
```



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dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v0/analyse_unbinned.py:   cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v0/analyse_unbinned.py:   rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v0/analyse_unbinned.py:   obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v0/analyse_unbinned.py:   events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
dc1-tutorials-v0/unbinned-v1/analyse_unbinned.py:   events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   cube = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   rois.append(cast_GCTAEventList(obs.events()).roi())
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   obs = cast_GCTAObservation(obs)
erlangen-tutorials/unbinned/analyse_unbinned.py:   events = cast_GCTAEventCube(obs.events())
examples/example_survey.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/example_survey.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/example_survey.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/milagro/example_survey.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/example_survey.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/example_survey.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/example_survey.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/problem_integration_did_not_converge.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/problem_integration_did_not_converge.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/problem_integration_did_not_converge.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/survey_study.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/survey_study_jk.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/survey_study_orig.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study_orig.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study_orig.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/survey_study_spread.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/old/survey_study_test.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study_test.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
examples/old/survey_study_test.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/example_survey.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/example_survey.py~:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/integration_convergence.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/premature_fit_stop.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/survey_sensitivity_forjrgen.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
examples/survey/survey_sensitivity_forjrgen.py:   pflux_save[test_num1]=cast_GModelSky(result_all[1]).spectral().flux(e_min, e_max)
examples/survey/survey_sensitivity_forjrgen.py:   eflux_save[test_num1]=cast_GModelSky(result_all[1]).spectral().eflux(e_min, e_max)
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev0.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev0.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev0.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev1.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev2.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_sensitivity_rev3.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_study.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_study_energy.py:   pflux = cast_GModelSky(full_model[1]).spectral().flux(e_min, e_max)
sensitivity/old/survey_study_energy.py:   eflux = cast_GModelSky(full_model[1]).spectral().eflux(e_min, e_max)
sensitivity/old/survey_study_orig.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study_orig.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study_orig.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
sensitivity/old/survey_study_test.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study_test.py:   list = cast_GCTAEventList(run.events())
sensitivity/old/survey_study_test.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
testing/ctobssim/myutils.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
testing/ctobssim/openmp.py:   cast_GCTAObservation(obs).response(self.m_irf, self.m_caldb)
testing/openmp/myutils.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
testing/pierrick/survey_offsetanglestudy.py:   event = cast_GCTAEventAtom(event)
testing/pierrick/survey_offsetanglestudy.py:   rsp=cast_GCTAResponse(obs.response())
testing/pierrick/survey_offsetanglestudy.py:   pflux_save[test_num1]=cast_GModelSky(result_all[1]).spectral().flux(e_min, e_max)
testing/pierrick/survey_offsetanglestudy.py:   eflux_save[test_num1]=cast_GModelSky(result_all[1]).spectral().eflux(e_min, e_max)

```

At the end of the rework, all casts should have disappeared. Being aware of the existing casts may help in the redesign of the interfaces.

#3 - 09/20/2012 01:28 AM - Knödseder Jürgen

Got it!

I managed to make a dynamic type conversion in SWIG using an output map. Here the code that I added to GModels.i:

```
%typemap(out) GModel& {
  if (dynamic_cast<GModelSky*>($1) != NULL) {
    $result = SWIG_NewPointerObj(SWIG_as_voidptr($1), SWIGTYPE_p_GModelSky, 0 | 0);
  }
  else {
    $result = SWIG_NewPointerObj(SWIG_as_voidptr($1), SWIGTYPE_p_GModelData, 0 | 0);
  }
}
```

This is correctly interpreted in the subsequent methods

```
GModel& __getitem__(const int& index) {
  if (index >= 0 && index < self->size()) {
    return (*self)[index];
  }
  else
    throw GException::out_of_range("__getitem__(int)", index, self->size());
}
GModel& __getitem__(const std::string& name) {
  return (*self)[name];
}
```

#4 - 09/20/2012 05:21 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

- Due date set to 09/20/2012

- Start date set to 09/20/2012

due to changes in a related task

#5 - 09/20/2012 06:48 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

- *Assigned To set to Knödseder Jürgen*

#6 - 12/04/2012 11:39 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

- *Status changed from New to In Progress*

#7 - 12/18/2012 04:47 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

Here a list of GammaLib scripts from which the cast method could not be removed:

```
inst/cta/test/test_radial_acceptance.py: radial = cast_GCTAModelRadialAcceptance(models["Background"]).radial()
```

#8 - 12/18/2012 09:46 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

- *Status changed from In Progress to Closed*