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UHI is a library that helps connect other Histogramming libraries. It is primarily indented to be a guide and static type check helper; you do not need an runtime dependency on UHI. It currently does so with the following components:

UHI Indexing, which describes a powerful indexing system for histograms, designed to extend standard Array indexing for Histogram operations.

UHI Indexing+ (referred to as UHI+ for short), which describes a set of extensions to the standard indexing that make it easier to use on the command line.

The PlottableProtocol, which describes the minimal and complete set of requirements for a source library to produce and a plotting library to consume to plot a histogram, including error bars.

INDEXING

This is the design document for Unified Histogram Indexing (UHI). Much of the original plan is now implemented in boost-histogram. Other histogramming libraries can implement support for this as well, and the “tag” functors, like `sum` and `loc` can be used between libraries.

1.1 Syntax

The following examples assume you have imported `loc`, `rebin`, `underflow`, and `overflow` from boost-histogram or any other library that implements UHI.

1.1.1 Access:

```
v = h[b]           # Returns bin contents, indexed by bin number
v = h[loc(b)]      # Returns the bin containing the value
v = h[loc(b) + 1]  # Returns the bin above the one containing the value
v = h[underflow]   # Underflow and overflow can be accessed with special tags
```

1.1.2 Slicing:

```
h == h[:]          # Slice over everything
h2 = h[a:b]        # Slice of histogram (includes flow bins)
h2 = h[:b]         # Leaving out endpoints is okay
h2 = h[loc(v):]     # Slices can be in data coordinates, too
h2 = h[:,rebin(2)]  # Modification operations (rebin)
h2 = h[a:b:rebin(2)] # Modifications can combine with slices
h2 = h[:,sum]       # Projection operations # (name may change)
h2 = h[a:b:sum]     # Adding endpoints to projection operations
h2 = h[0:len:sum]   # removes under or overflow from the calculation
h2 = h[v, a:b]      # A single value v is like v:v+1:sum
h2 = h[a:b, ...]    # Ellipsis work just like normal numpy
```

1.1.3 Setting

```
# Single values
h[b] = v      # Returns bin contents, indexed by bin number
h[loc(b)] = v  # Returns the bin containing the value
h[underflow] = v # Underflow and overflow can be accessed with special tags

h[...] = array(...) # Setting with an array or histogram sets the contents if the sizes
↳match
                    # Overflow can optionally be included if endpoints are left out
                    # The number of dimensions for non-scalars should match
↳(broadcasting works normally otherwise)
```

All of this generalizes to multiple dimensions. `loc(v)` could return categorical bins, but slicing on categories would (currently) not be allowed. These all return histograms, so flow bins are always preserved - the one exception is projection; since this removes an axis, the only use for the slice edges is to be explicit on what part you are interested for the projection. So an explicit (non-empty) slice here will cause the relevant flow bin to be excluded.

`loc`, `project`, and `rebin` all live inside the histogramming package (like `boost-histogram`), but are completely general and can be created by a user using an explicit API (below). `underflow` and `overflow` also follow a general API.

One drawback of the syntax listed above is that it is hard to select an action to run on an axis or a few axes out of many. For this use case, you can pass a dictionary to the index, and that has the syntax `{axis:action}`. The actions are slices, and follow the rules listed above. This looks like:

```
h[{0: slice(None, None, bh.rebin(2))}] # rebin axis 0 by two
h[{1: slice(0, bh.loc(3.5))}]          # slice axis 1 from 0 to the data coordinate 3.5
h[{7: slice(0, 2, bh.rebin(4))}]      # slice and rebin axis 7
```

If you don't like manually building slices, you can use the `Slicer()` utility to recover the original slicing syntax inside the dict:

```
s = bh.tag.Slicer()

h[{0: s[:,rebin(2)]}] # rebin axis 0 by two
h[{1: s[0:loc(3.5)]}] # slice axis 1 from 0 to the data coordinate 3.5
h[{7: s[0:2:rebin(4)]}] # slice and rebin axis 7
```

1.1.4 Invalid syntax:

```
h[1.0] # Floats are not allowed, just like numpy
h[:,2] # Skipping is not (currently) supported
h[... , None] # None == np.newaxis is not supported
```


1.1.5 Reordering axes

It is not possible to reorder axis with this syntax; libraries are expected to provide a `.project(*axis: int)` method which provides a way to reorder, as well as fast access to a small subset of a large histogram in a complementary way to the above indexing.

1.1.6 Rejected proposals or proposals for future consideration, maybe hist-only:

```
h2 = h[1.0j:2.5j + 1] # Adding a j suffix to a number could be used in place of ``loc(x)``
h2 = h[1.0] # Floats in place of ``loc(x)``: too easy to make a mistake
```

1.2 Examples

For a histogram, the slice should be thought of like this:

```
histogram[start:stop:action]
```

The start and stop can be either a bin number (following Python rules), or a callable; the callable will get the axis being acted on and should return an extended bin number (`-1` and `len(ax)` are flow bins). A provided callable is `bh.loc`, which converts from axis data coordinates into bin number.

The final argument, `action`, is special. A general API is being worked on, but for now, `bh.sum` will “project out” or “integrate over” an axes, and `bh.rebin(n)` will rebin by an integral factor. Both work correctly with limits; `bh.sum` will remove flow bins if given a range. `h[0:len:bh.sum]` will sum without the flow bins.

Here are a few examples that highlight the functionality of UHI:

1.2.1 Example 1:

You want to slice axis 0 from 0 to 20, axis 1 from .5 to 1.5 in data coordinates, axis 2 needs to have double size bins (rebin by 2), and axis 3 should be summed over. You have a 4D histogram.

Solution:

```
ans = h[:20, bh.loc(-.5):bh.loc(1.5), ::bh.rebin(2), ::bh.sum]
```

1.2.2 Example 2:

You want to set all bins above 4.0 in data coordinates to 0 on a 1D histogram.

Solution:

```
h[bh.loc(4.0):] = 0
```

You can set with an array, as well. The array can either be the same length as the range you give, or the same length as the range + under/overflows if the range is open ended (no limit given). For example:

```
h = bh.Histogram(bh.axis.Regular(10, 0, 1))
h[:] = np.ones(10) # underflow/overflow still 0
h[:] = np.ones(12) # underflow/overflow now set too
```

Note that for clarity, while basic NumPy broadcasting is supported, axis-adding broadcasting is not supported; you must set a 2D histogram with a 2D array or a scalar, not a 1D array.

1.2.3 Example 3:

You want to sum from -infinity to 2.4 in data coordinates in axis 1, leaving all other axes alone. You have an ND histogram, with $N \geq 2$.

Solution:

```
ans = h[:, :bh.loc(2.4):bh.sum, ...]
```

Notice that last example could be hard to write if the axis number, 1 in this case, was large or programmatically defined. In these cases, you can pass a dictionary of {axis:slice} into the indexing operation. A shortcut to quickly generate slices is provided, as well:

```
ans = h[{1: slice(None, bh.loc(2.4), bh.sum)}]

# Identical:
s = bh.tag.Slicer()
ans = h[{1: s[:bh.loc(2.4):bh.sum]}]
```

1.2.4 Example 4:

You want the underflow bin of a 1D histogram.

Solution:

```
val = h1[bh.underflow]
```

1.3 Details

1.3.1 Implementation notes

loc, rebin, and sum are *not* unique tags, or special types, but rather APIs for classes. New versions of these could be added, and implementations could be shared among Histogram libraries. For clarity, the following code is written in Python 3.6+. [Prototype here](#). [Extra doc here](#).

Note that the API comes in two forms; the `__call__`/`__new__` operator form is more powerful, slower, optional, and is currently not supported by boost-histogram. A fully conforming UHI implementation must allow the tag form without the operators.

Basic implementation example (WIP):

```
class loc:
    "When used in the start or stop of a Histogram's slice, x is taken to be the
    ↪ position in data coordinates."
    def __init__(self, value, offset):
        self.value = value
        self.offset = offset
```

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```

# supporting __add__ and __sub__ also recommended

def __call__(self, axis):
    return axis.index(self.value) + self.offset

# Other flags, such as callable functions, could be added and detected later.

# UHI will perform a maximum performance sum when python's sum is encountered

def underflow(axis):
    return -1
def overflow(axis):
    return len(axis)

class rebin:
    """
    When used in the step of a Histogram's slice, rebin(n) combines bins,
    scaling their widths by a factor of n. If the number of bins is not
    divisible by n, the remainder is added to the overflow bin.
    """
    def __init__(self, factor):
        # Items with .factor are specially treated in boost-histogram,
        # performing a high performance rebinning
        self.factor = factor

    # Optional and not used by boost-histogram
    def __call__(self, binning, axis, counts):
        factor = self.factor
        if isinstance(binning, Regular):
            indexes = (numpy.arange(0, binning.num, factor),)

            num, remainder = divmod(binning.num, factor)
            high, hasover = binning.high, binning.hasover

            if binning.hasunder:
                indexes[0][:] += 1
                indexes = ([0],) + indexes

            if remainder == 0:
                if binning.hasover:
                    indexes = indexes + ([binning.num + int(binning.hasunder)],)
            else:
                high = binning.left(indexes[-1][-1])
                hasover = True

            binning = Regular(num, binning.low, high, hasunder=binning.hasunder,
↪hasover=hasover)
            counts = numpy.add.reduceat(counts, numpy.concatenate(indexes), axis=axis)
            return binning, counts

```

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```
else:  
    raise NotImplementedError(type(binning))
```

INDEXING+

This is an extended version of UHI, called UHI+. This is not implemented in boost-histogram, but is implemented in Hist.

2.1 Syntax extensions

UHI+ avoids using the standard tags found in UHI by using more advanced Python syntax.

2.1.1 Location based slicing/access: numeric axes

You can replace location based indexing `loc(1.23) → 1.23j` (a “j” suffix on a number literal). You can shift by an integer, just like with `loc: 2.3j + 1` will be one bin past the one containing the location “2.3”.

```
v = h[2j]      # Returns the bin containing "2.0"
v = h[2j + 1] # Returns the bin above the one containing "2.0"
h2 = h[2j:]    # Slices starting with the bin containing "2.0"
```

2.1.2 Location based slicing/access: string axis

If you have a string based axis, you can use a string directly `loc("label") → "label"`.

```
v = h["a"]     # Returns the "a" bin (string category axis)
```

2.1.3 Rebinning

You can replace `rebin(2) → 2j` in the third slot of a slice.

```
h2 = h[:,2j]    # Modification operations (rebin)
h2 = h[a:b:2j]  # Modifications can combine with slices
```

2.1.4 Named based indexing

An optional extension to indexing is expected for histogram implementations that support names. If named axes are supported, any expression that refers to an axis by an integer can also refer to it by a name string. `.project(*axis: int | str)` is probably the most common place to see this, but you can also use strings in the UHI dict access, such as:

```
s = bh.tag.Slicer()

h[{"a": s[:,2j]]      # rebin axis "a" by two
h[{"x": s[0:3.5j]]    # slice axis "x" from 0 to the data coordinate 3.5
h[{"other": s[0:2:4j]}] # slice and rebin axis "other"
```

PLOTTING

This is a description of the `PlottableProtocol`. Any plotting library that accepts an object that follows the `PlottableProtocol` can plot object that follow this protocol, and libraries that follow this protocol are compatible with plotters. The Protocol is runtime checkable, though as usual, that will only check for the presence of the needed methods at runtime, not for the static types.

3.1 Using the protocol:

Plotters should only depend on the methods and attributes listed below. In short, they are:

- `h.kind`: The `bh.Kind` of the histogram (`COUNT` or `MEAN`)
- `h.values()`: The value (as given by the kind)
- `h.variances()`: The variance in the value (`None` if an unweighed histogram was filled with weights)
- `h.counts()`: How many fills the bin received or the effective number of fills if the histogram is weighted
- `h.axes`: A Sequence of axes

Axes have:

- `ax[i]`: A tuple of (lower, upper) bin, or the discrete bin value (integer or string)
- `len(ax)`: The number of bins
- Iteration is supported
- `ax.traits.circular`: True if circular
- `ax.traits.discrete`: True if the bin represents a single value (e.g. Integer or Category axes) instead of an interval (e.g. Regular or Variable axes)

Plotters should see if `.counts()` is `None`; no boost-histogram objects currently return `None`, but a future storage or different library could.

Also check `.variances`; if not `None`, this storage holds variance information and error bars should be included. Boost-histogram histograms will return something unless they know that this is an invalid assumption (a weighted fill was made on an unweighed histogram).

To statically restrict yourself to valid API usage, use `PlottableHistogram` as the parameter type to your function (Not needed at runtime).

3.2 Implementing the protocol:

Add UHI to your MyPy environment; an example `.pre-commit-config.yaml` file:

```
- repo: https://github.com/pre-commit/mirrors-mypy
  rev: v0.812
  hooks:
  - id: mypy
    files: src
    additional_dependencies: [uhi, numpy~=1.20.1]
```

Then, check your library against the Protocol like this:

```
from typing import TYPE_CHECKING, cast

if TYPE_CHECKING:
    _: PlottableHistogram = cast(MyHistogram, None)
```

3.3 Help for plotters

The module `uhi.numpy_plottable` has a utility to simplify the common use case of accepting a `PlottableProtocol` or other common formats, primarily a NumPy `histogram/histogram2d/histogramdd` tuple. The `ensure_plottable_histogram` function will take a histogram or NumPy tuple, or an object that implements `.to_numpy()` or `.numpy()` and convert it to a `NumPyPlottableHistogram`, which is a minimal implementation of the Protocol. By calling this function on your input, you can then write your plotting function knowing that you always have a `PlottableProtocol` object, greatly simplifying your code.

3.4 The full protocol version 1.2 follows:

(Also available as `uhi.typing.plottable.PlottableProtocol`, for use in tests, etc.)

```
"""
Using the protocol:

Producers: use isinstance(myhist, PlottableHistogram) in your tests; part of
the protocol is checkable at runtime, though ideally you should use MyPy; if
your histogram class supports PlottableHistogram, this will pass.

Consumers: Make your functions accept the PlottableHistogram static type, and
MyPy will force you to only use items in the Protocol.
"""

from __future__ import annotations

import sys
from collections.abc import Iterator, Sequence
from typing import Any, Tuple, TypeVar, Union

# NumPy 1.20+ will work much, much better than previous versions when type checking
```

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```

import numpy as np

if sys.version_info < (3, 8):
    from typing_extensions import Protocol, runtime_checkable
else:
    from typing import Protocol, runtime_checkable

protocol_version = (1, 2)

# Known kinds of histograms. A Producer can add Kinds not defined here; a
# Consumer should check for known types if it matters. A simple plotter could
# just use .value and .variance if non-None and ignore .kind.
#
# Could have been Kind = Literal["COUNT", "MEAN"] - left as a generic string so
# it can be extendable.
Kind = str

# Implementations are highly encouraged to use the following construct:
# class Kind(str, enum.Enum):
#     COUNT = "COUNT"
#     MEAN = "MEAN"
# Then return and use Kind.COUNT or Kind.MEAN.

@runtime_checkable
class PlottableTraits(Protocol):
    @property
    def circular(self) -> bool:
        """
        True if the axis "wraps around"
        """

    @property
    def discrete(self) -> bool:
        """
        True if each bin is discrete - Integer, Boolean, or Category, for example
        """

T_co = TypeVar("T_co", covariant=True)

@runtime_checkable
class PlottableAxisGeneric(Protocol[T_co]):
    # name: str - Optional, not part of Protocol
    # label: str - Optional, not part of Protocol
    #
    # Plotters are encouraged to plot label if it exists and is not None, and
    # name otherwise if it exists and is not None, but these properties are not
    # available on all histograms and not part of the Protocol.

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```

@property
def traits(self) -> PlottableTraits: ...

def __getitem__(self, index: int) -> T_co:
    """
    Get the pair of edges (not discrete) or bin label (discrete).
    """

def __len__(self) -> int:
    """
    Return the number of bins (not counting flow bins, which are ignored
    for this Protocol currently).
    """

def __eq__(self, other: Any) -> bool:
    """
    Required to be sequence-like.
    """

def __iter__(self) -> Iterator[T_co]:
    """
    Useful element of a Sequence to include.
    """

```

```
PlottableAxisContinuous = PlottableAxisGeneric[Tuple[float, float]]
```

```
PlottableAxisInt = PlottableAxisGeneric[int]
```

```
PlottableAxisStr = PlottableAxisGeneric[str]
```

```
PlottableAxis = Union[PlottableAxisContinuous, PlottableAxisInt, PlottableAxisStr]
```

```
@runtime_checkable
```

```
class PlottableHistogram(Protocol):
```

```
    @property
    def axes(self) -> Sequence[PlottableAxis]: ...
```

```
    @property
    def kind(self) -> Kind: ...
```

```
    # All methods can have a flow=False argument - not part of this Protocol.
    # If this is included, it should return an array with flow bins added,
    # normal ordering.
```

```
    def values(self) -> np.typing.NDArray[Any]:
        """
        Returns the accumulated values. The counts for simple histograms, the
        sum of weights for weighted histograms, the mean for profiles, etc.

        If counts is equal to 0, the value in that cell is undefined if
        kind == "MEAN".
        """

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```

"""

def variances(self) -> np.typing.NDArray[Any] | None:
    """
    Returns the estimated variance of the accumulated values. The sum of squared
    weights for weighted histograms, the variance of samples for profiles, etc.
    For an unweighed histogram where kind == "COUNT", this should return the same
    as values if the histogram was not filled with weights, and None otherwise.

    If counts is equal to 1 or less, the variance in that cell is undefined if
    kind == "MEAN".

    If kind == "MEAN", the counts can be used to compute the error on the mean
    as sqrt(variances / counts), this works whether or not the entries are
    weighted if the weight variance was tracked by the implementation.
    """

def counts(self) -> np.typing.NDArray[Any] | None:
    """
    Returns the number of entries in each bin for an unweighted
    histogram or profile and an effective number of entries (defined below)
    for a weighted histogram or profile. An exotic generalized histogram could
    have no sensible .counts, so this is Optional and should be checked by
    Consumers.

    If kind == "MEAN", counts (effective or not) can and should be used to
    determine whether the mean value and its variance should be displayed
    (see documentation of values and variances, respectively). The counts
    should also be used to compute the error on the mean (see documentation
    of variances).

    For a weighted histogram, counts is defined as sum_of_weights ** 2 /
    sum_of_weights_squared. It is equal or less than the number of times
    the bin was filled, the equality holds when all filled weights are equal.
    The larger the spread in weights, the smaller it is, but it is always 0
    if filled 0 times, and 1 if filled once, and more than 1 otherwise.

    A suggested implementation is:

    return np.divide(
        sum_of_weights**2,
        sum_of_weights_squared,
        out=np.zeros_like(sum_of_weights, dtype=np.float64),
        where=sum_of_weights_squared != 0)
    """

```


SERIALIZATION

Warning: Serialization is in draft currently. Once at least one implementation is ready, we will remove this warning and release UHI 0.5.

4.1 Introduction

Histogram serialization has to cover a wide range of formats. As such, we describe a form for serialization that covers the metadata structure as JSON-like, with a provided JSON-schema. The data (bins and/or variable edges) is stored out-of-band in a binary format based on what type of data file you are in. For very small (primarily 1D) histograms, data is allowed inline as well.

The following formats are being targeted:

ROOT		HDF5		ZIP	
------	--	------	--	-----	--

Other formats can be used as well, assuming they support out-of-band data and text attributes or files for the metadata.

4.2 Caveats

This structure was based heavily on boost-histogram, but it is intended to be general, and can be expanded in the future as needed. As such, the following limitations are required:

- Serialization followed by deserialisation may cause axis changes. Axis types may change to an equivalent but less performant axis, growth status will be lost, etc.
- Metadata must be expressible as JSON. It should also be reasonably sized; some formats like HDF5 may limit the size of attributes to 64K.
- Floating point errors could be incurred on conversion, as the storage format uses a stable but different representation.
- Axis `name` is only part of the metadata, and is not standardized. This is due to lack of support from boost-histogram.

4.3 Design

The following axes types are supported:

- "regular": A regularly spaced set of even bins. Boost-histogram's "integer" axes maps to this axis as well. Has upper, lower, bins, underflow, overflow, and circular properties. circular defaults to False if not present.
- "variable": A continuous axis defined by bins+1 edges. Has edges, which is either an in-line list of numbers or a string pointing to an out-of-band data source. Also has underflow, overflow, and circular properties. circular defaults to False if not present.
- "category_int": A list of integer bins, non-continuous. Has categories, which is an in-line list of integers. Also has flow.
- "category_str": A list of string bins. Has categories, which is an in-line list of strings. Also has flow.
- "boolean": A true/false axis.

Axes with gaps are currently not supported.

All axes support metadata, a string-valued dictionary of arbitrary, JSON-like data.

The following storages are supported:

- "int": A collection of integers. Boost-histogram's Int64 and AtomicInt64 map to this, and sometimes Unlimited.
- "double": A collection of 64-bit floating point values. Boost-histogram's Double storage maps to this, and sometimes Unlimited.
- "weighted": A collection of two arrays of 64-bit floating point values, "value" and "variance". Boost-histogram's Weight storage maps to this.
- "mean": A collection of three arrays of 64-bit floating point values, "count", "value", and "variance". Boost-histogram's Mean storage maps to this.
- "weighted_mean": A collection of four arrays of 64-bit floating point values, "sum_of_weights", "sum_of_weights_squared", "values", and "variances". Boost-histogram's WeighedMean storage maps to this.

4.4 CLI/API

You can currently test a JSON file against the schema by running:

```
$ python -m uhi.schema some/file.json
```

Or with code:

```
import uhi.schema

uhi.schema.validate("some/file.json")
```

Eventually this should also be usable for JSON's inside zip, HDF5 attributes, and maybe more.

Warning: Currently, this spec describes **how to prepare the metadata** for one of the targeted backends. It does not yet cover backend specific details, like how to define and use the binary resource locator strings or how to store the data. JSON is not a target spec, but just part of the ZIP spec, meaning the files that currently “pass” the tool above would be valid inside a .zip file eventually, but are not valid by themselves.

4.5 Rendered schema

4.5.1 Histogram

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/scikit-hep/uhi/main/src/uhi/resources/histogram.schema.json>

type *object*

patternProperties

• .+ type *object*

properties

• meta- Arbitrary metadata dictionary.

data type *object*

• axes A list of the axes of the histogram.

type *array*

items oneOf :ref:/\$defs/regular_axis

:ref:/\$defs/variable_axis

:ref:/\$defs/category_str_axis

:ref:/\$defs/category_int_axis

:ref:/\$defs/boolean_axis

• stor- The storage of the bins of the histogram.

age oneOf :ref:/\$defs/int_storage

:ref:/\$defs/double_storage

:ref:/\$defs/weighted_storage

:ref:/\$defs/mean_storage

:ref:/\$defs/weighted_mean_storage

additional-
Properties False

additional-
Properties False

\$defs

• regu- An evenly spaced set of continuous bins.

lar_axis type *object*

properties

• type type *string*

const regular

• lower Lower edge of the axis.

type *number*

• upper Upper edge of the axis.

type *number*

• bins Number of bins in the axis.

type *integer*

minimum 0

• under- True if there is a bin for underflow.

flow type *boolean*

• over- True if there is a bin for overflow.

flow

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		type	boolean	
	• circu- lar	True if the axis wraps around.		
		type	boolean	
	• meta- data	Arbitrary metadata dictionary.		
		type	object	
	additional- Properties	False		
• vari- able_axis	A variably spaced set of continuous bins.			
	type	object		
	properties			
	• type	type	string	
		const	variable	
	• edges	oneOf	type	array
			items	type
			number	
			A path (URI?) to the edges data.	
			type	string
	• under- flow	type	boolean	
	• over- flow	type	boolean	
	• circu- lar	type	boolean	
	• meta- data	Arbitrary metadata dictionary.		
		type	object	
	additional- Properties	False		
• cate- gory_str	A set of string categorical bins.			
	type	object		
	properties			
	• type	type	string	
		const	category_str	
	• cate- gories	type	array	
		items	type	string
		uniqueItems	True	
	• flow	True if flow bin (at the overflow position) present.		
		type	boolean	
	• meta- data	Arbitrary metadata dictionary.		
		type	object	
	additional- Properties	False		
• cate- gory_int	A set of integer categorical bins in any order.			
	type	object		
	properties			
	• type	type	string	
		const	category_int	
	• cate- gories	type	array	

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		items	type	<i>integer</i>
		uniqueItems	True	
	• flow	True if flow bin (at the overflow position) present.		
		type	<i>boolean</i>	
	• meta-	Arbitrary metadata dictionary.		
	data	type	<i>object</i>	
	additional-	False		
	Properties			
•	A simple true/false axis with no flow.			
boolean_	type	<i>object</i>		
	properties			
	• type	type	<i>string</i>	
		const	boolean	
	• meta-	Arbitrary metadata dictionary.		
	data	type	<i>object</i>	
	additional-	False		
	Properties			
•	A storage holding integer counts.			
int_stora	type	<i>object</i>		
	properties			
	• type	type	<i>string</i>	
		const	int	
	• data	oneOf	A path (URI?) to the integer bin data.	
			type	<i>string</i>
			type	<i>array</i>
			items	type <i>integer</i>
	additional-	False		
	Properties			
•	A storage holding floating point counts.			
dou-	type	<i>object</i>		
ble_stora	properties			
	• type	type	<i>string</i>	
		const	double	
	• data	oneOf	A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data.	
			type	<i>string</i>
			type	<i>array</i>
			items	type <i>number</i>
	additional-	False		
	Properties			
•	A storage holding floating point counts and variances.			
weighted	type	<i>object</i>		
	properties			
	• type	type	<i>string</i>	
		const	int	
	• data	oneOf	A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer dimension is [value, variance]	
			type	<i>string</i>
			type	<i>object</i>
			properties	
		• values	type	<i>array</i>
			items	type <i>number</i>
		• vari-	type	<i>array</i>
		ances		

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			items	type	number
		additional-Properties	False		
	additional-Properties	False			
•	A storage holding ‘profile’-style floating point counts, values, and variances.				
mean_stc	type	object			
	properties				
	• type	type	string		
		const	int		
	• data	oneOf	A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer dimension is [counts, value, variance]		
			type	string	
			type	object	
		properties			
		• counts	type	array	
			items	type	number
		• values	type	array	
			items	type	number
		• variances	type	array	
			items	type	number
		additional-Properties	False		
	additional-Properties	False			
•	A storage holding ‘profile’-style floating point weights, weights ² , values, and variances.				
weighted	type	object			
	properties				
	• type	type	string		
		const	int		
	• data	oneOf	A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer dimension is [weights, weights ² , value, variance]		
			type	string	
			type	object	
		properties			
		•	type	array	
		• sum_of	items	type	number
		• sum_of	items	type	number
		• values	type	array	
			items	type	number
		• variances	type	array	
			items	type	number
		additional-Properties	False		
	additional-Properties	False			

4.6 Full schema

The full schema is below:

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{
  "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
  "$id": "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/scikit-hep/uhi/main/src/uhi/resources/
  histogram.schema.json",
  "title": "Histogram",
  "type": "object",
  "additionalProperties": false,
  "patternProperties": {
    "^.+": {
      "type": "object",
      "required": ["axes", "storage"],
      "additionalProperties": false,
      "properties": {
        "metadata": {
          "type": "object",
          "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
        },
        "axes": {
          "type": "array",
          "description": "A list of the axes of the histogram.",
          "items": {
            "oneOf": [
              { "$ref": "#/$defs/regular_axis" },
              { "$ref": "#/$defs/variable_axis" },
              { "$ref": "#/$defs/category_str_axis" },
              { "$ref": "#/$defs/category_int_axis" },
              { "$ref": "#/$defs/boolean_axis" }
            ]
          }
        },
        "storage": {
          "description": "The storage of the bins of the histogram.",
          "oneOf": [
            { "$ref": "#/$defs/int_storage" },
            { "$ref": "#/$defs/double_storage" },
            { "$ref": "#/$defs/weighted_storage" },
            { "$ref": "#/$defs/mean_storage" },
            { "$ref": "#/$defs/weighted_mean_storage" }
          ]
        }
      }
    }
  },
  "$defs": {
    "regular_axis": {
      "type": "object",
      "description": "An evenly spaced set of continuous bins.",
      "required": ["type", "lower", "upper", "bins", "underflow", "overflow"],
      "additionalProperties": false,

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"properties": {
  "type": { "type": "string", "const": "regular" },
  "lower": { "type": "number", "description": "Lower edge of the axis." },
  "upper": { "type": "number", "description": "Upper edge of the axis." },
  "bins": {
    "type": "integer",
    "minimum": 0,
    "description": "Number of bins in the axis."
  },
  "underflow": {
    "type": "boolean",
    "description": "True if there is a bin for underflow."
  },
  "overflow": {
    "type": "boolean",
    "description": "True if there is a bin for overflow."
  },
  "circular": {
    "type": "boolean",
    "description": "True if the axis wraps around."
  },
  "metadata": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
  }
},
"variable_axis": {
  "type": "object",
  "description": "A variably spaced set of continuous bins.",
  "required": ["type", "edges", "underflow", "overflow"],
  "additionalProperties": false,
  "properties": {
    "type": { "type": "string", "const": "variable" },
    "edges": {
      "oneOf": [
        {
          "type": "array",
          "items": { "type": "number", "minItems": 2, "uniqueItems": true }
        },
        {
          "type": "string",
          "description": "A path (URI?) to the edges data."
        }
      ]
    },
    "underflow": { "type": "boolean" },
    "overflow": { "type": "boolean" },
    "circular": { "type": "boolean" },
    "metadata": {
      "type": "object",
      "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
    }
  }
}

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    }
  },
  "category_str_axis": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A set of string categorical bins.",
    "required": ["type", "categories", "flow"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "category_str" },
      "categories": {
        "type": "array",
        "items": { "type": "string" },
        "uniqueItems": true
      },
      "flow": {
        "type": "boolean",
        "description": "True if flow bin (at the overflow position) present."
      },
      "metadata": {
        "type": "object",
        "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
      }
    }
  },
  "category_int_axis": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A set of integer categorical bins in any order.",
    "required": ["type", "categories", "flow"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "category_int" },
      "categories": {
        "type": "array",
        "items": { "type": "integer" },
        "uniqueItems": true
      },
      "flow": {
        "type": "boolean",
        "description": "True if flow bin (at the overflow position) present."
      },
      "metadata": {
        "type": "object",
        "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
      }
    }
  },
  "boolean_axis": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A simple true/false axis with no flow.",
    "required": ["type"],
    "additionalProperties": false,

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    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "boolean" },
      "metadata": {
        "type": "object",
        "description": "Arbitrary metadata dictionary."
      }
    }
  },
  "int_storage": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A storage holding integer counts.",
    "required": ["type", "data"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "int" },
      "data": {
        "oneOf": [
          {
            "type": "string",
            "description": "A path (URI?) to the integer bin data."
          },
          { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "integer" } }
        ]
      }
    }
  },
  "double_storage": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A storage holding floating point counts.",
    "required": ["type", "data"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "double" },
      "data": {
        "oneOf": [
          {
            "type": "string",
            "description": "A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data."
          },
          { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } }
        ]
      }
    }
  },
  "weighted_storage": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A storage holding floating point counts and variances.",
    "required": ["type", "data"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "int" },
      "data": {

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    "oneOf": [
      {
        "type": "string",
        "description": "A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer_
↪dimension is [value, variance]"
      },
      {
        "type": "object",
        "required": ["values", "variances"],
        "additionalProperties": false,
        "properties": {
          "values": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } },
          "variances": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } }
        }
      }
    ]
  },
  "mean_storage": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A storage holding 'profile'-style floating point counts, values,
↪and variances.",
    "required": ["type", "data"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "int" },
      "data": {
        "oneOf": [
          {
            "type": "string",
            "description": "A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer_
↪dimension is [counts, value, variance]"
          },
          {
            "type": "object",
            "required": ["counts", "values", "variances"],
            "additionalProperties": false,
            "properties": {
              "counts": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } },
              "values": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } },
              "variances": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } }
            }
          }
        ]
      }
    }
  },
  "weighted_mean_storage": {
    "type": "object",
    "description": "A storage holding 'profile'-style floating point weights, weights2,
↪values, and variances.",

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    "required": ["type", "data"],
    "additionalProperties": false,
    "properties": {
      "type": { "type": "string", "const": "int" },
      "data": {
        "oneOf": [
          {
            "type": "string",
            "description": "A path (URI?) to the floating point bin data; outer_
↪dimension is [weights, weights2, value, variance]"
          },
          {
            "type": "object",
            "required": [
              "sum_of_weights",
              "sum_of_weights_squared",
              "values",
              "variances"
            ],
            "additionalProperties": false,
            "properties": {
              "sum_of_weights": {
                "type": "array",
                "items": { "type": "number" }
              },
              "sum_of_weights_squared": {
                "type": "array",
                "items": { "type": "number" }
              },
              "values": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } },
              "variances": { "type": "array", "items": { "type": "number" } }
            }
          }
        ]
      }
    }
  }
}

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