

Analysis framework

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Event selection

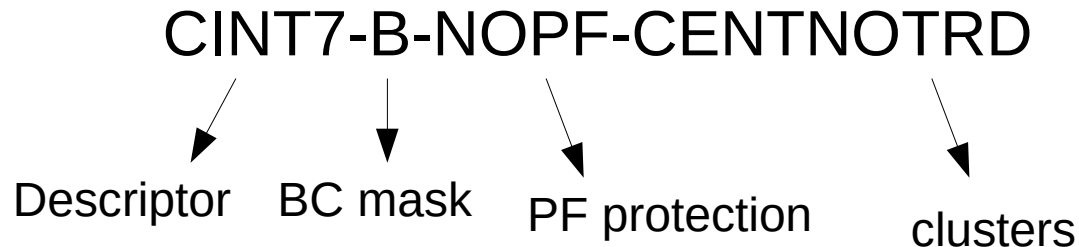
- ✓ Trigger selection
- ✓ Physics selection
- ✓ Pile-up rejection
- ✓ Vertex selection
- ✓ Centrality estimation

Trigger selection

- ✓ ALICE experiment cannot record all events
 - Large readout time of the detectors
 - Data storage limitations
- ✓ Non negligible activity in ALICE detectors are necessary to start the data acquisition
 - SPD | V0A | V0C (kMB)
 - VOA & V0C (kINT7)
- ✓ May be interested in rare observables for which we need to collect enough statistics only requiring specific signatures in ALICE detectors (rare triggers)
 - Muon triggers
 - Calorimeter triggers
 - Ultra-peripheral collisions
- ✓ Desired triggers in the analysis framework is selected using [AliVEvent::EOfflineTriggerTypes](#)

Trigger classes

- ✓ Triggers are combination of several classes



- ✓ **Descriptor**: combination of trigger inputs (AND, OR, VETO)
- ✓ **BC mask**: type of interactions (beam-beam, beam-gas)
- ✓ **PastFuture (PF) protection**: reject events from out of bunch pileup
- ✓ **Cluster**: group of detectors to be readout if the trigger condition is satisfied

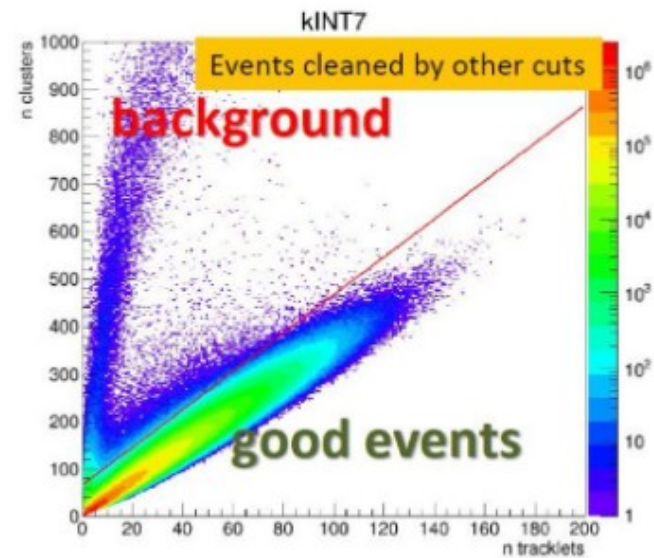
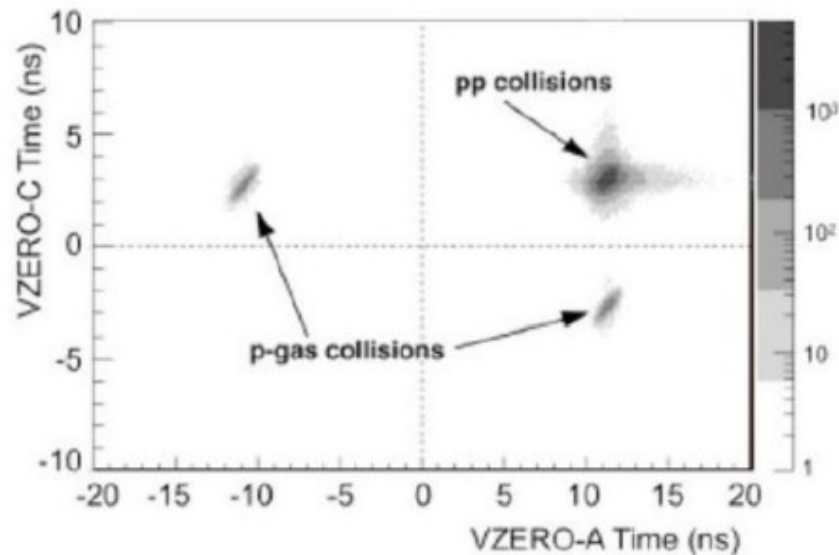
kINT7

✓ kINT7 select events if at least one of the given below classes are fired:

- CINT7-B-NOPF-ALL
- CINT7-S-NOPF-ALL
- CINT7-I-NOPF-ALL
- CINT7-B-NOPF-CENT
- CINT7-S-NOPF-CENT
- CINT7-I-NOPF-CENT
- CINT7-B-NOPF-ALLNOTRD
- CINT7-S-NOPF-ALLNOTRD
- CINT7-I-NOPF-ALLNOTRD
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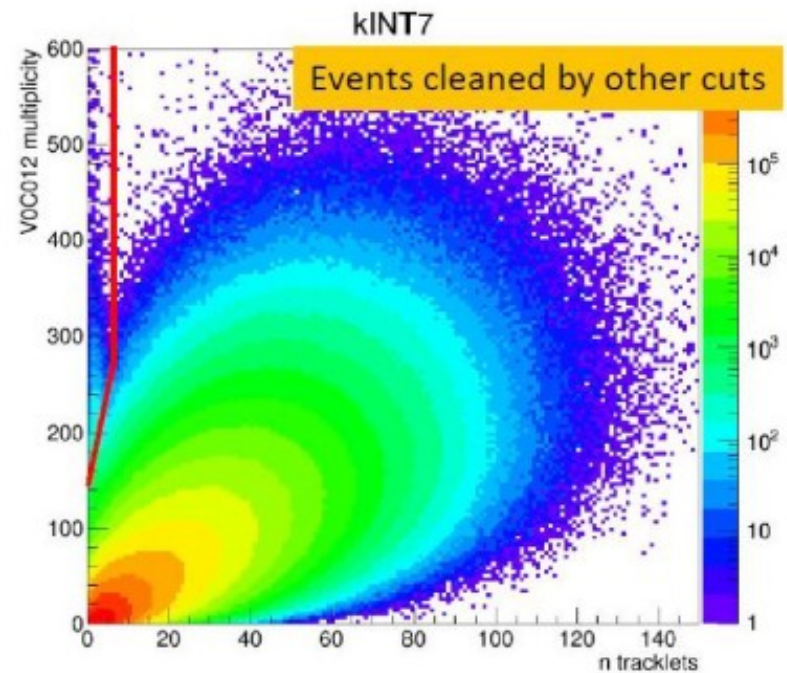
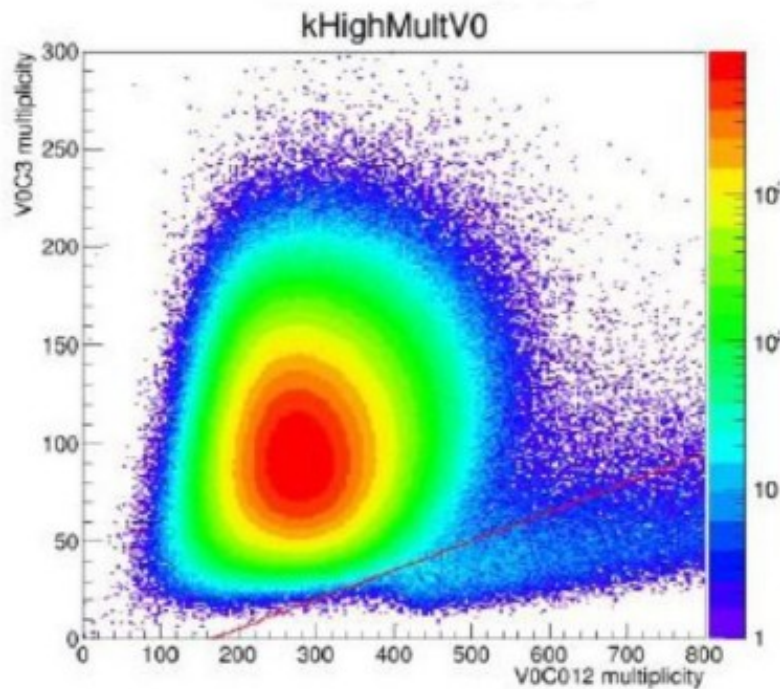
Physics Selection

- ✓ Physics Selection class: AliPhysicsSelection
 - Select events with the fired trigger class
 - Rejection of background and bad quality events
 - Reject out of bunch pileup in SPD readout time
- ✓ Rejection of beam induced background (using V0, SPD, ZDC)



Physics Selection

- ✓ Further background rejection cuts
 - V0C012 vs V0C3 asymmetry cut
 - V0C012 vs tracklet background cut



Pileup

Same bunch pile-up

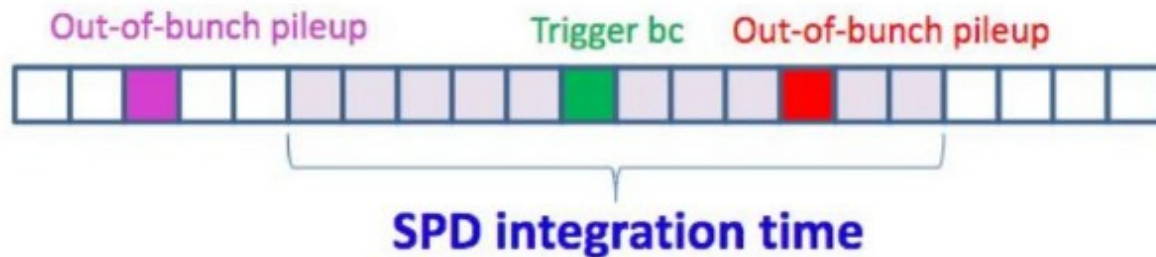
- ✓ Two or more collisions in the same bunch
- ✓ Seen by all detectors
- ✓ Can be removed at the event selection level with cuts based on multiple reconstructed vertices

Out of bunch pile-up

- ✓ One or more collisions occurring in bunch crossing
- ✓ Detectors are affected differently depending on their readout time
- ✓ Can be removed at the event selection level and also based on track selection cuts

Pileup tagging, removal

- ✓ Past-Future protection: allows to remove out of bunch pileup outside the SPD readout time (300 ns)
- Based on V0 detector, which records on +/- 10 bunch crossings around the triggered event
- Reject events based on correlation of SPD with V0M



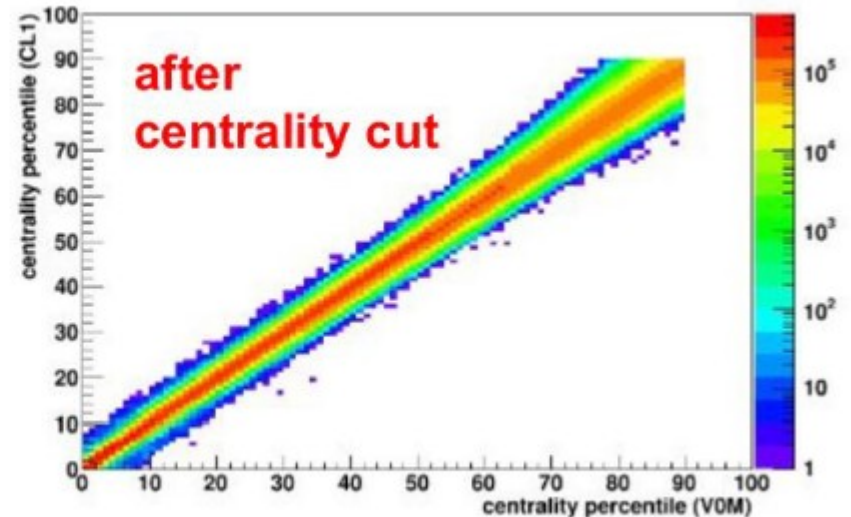
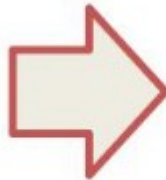
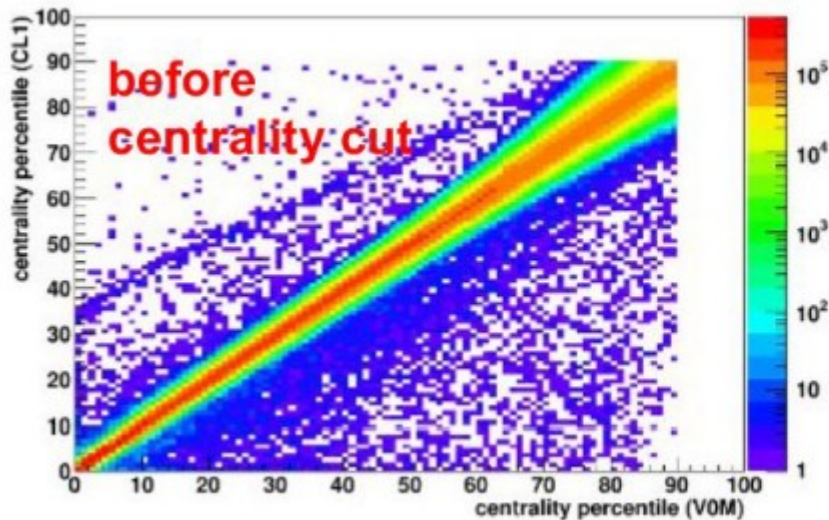
```
AliPhysicsSelectionTask* physSelTask =  
AddTaskPhysicsSelection(mcAnalysisFlag  
,kTRUE);
```

Pileup tagging, removal

- ✓ Multiple vertices with the SPD: sensitive to same-bunch and out-of-bunch pileup within the SPD readout window
- ✓ Event is tagged as pileup event if more than one vertex is found
- ✓ Accessed by `AliESDEvent::IsPileUpFromSPD()`
- For low multiplicity pp events: `IsPileupFromSPD(3,0.8,3,2,5)`
- For high multiplicity pp and p-Pb events: `IsPileupFromSPD(5,0.8,3,2,5)`
- ✓ Arguments for tagging SPD pileup:
 - Min. no. of contributors (tracklets) to the pileup candidate vertices
 - Min. distance (cm) along z-direction between the main and candidate pileup vertices
 - Min. distance (in sigmas) along z-direction between the main and candidate pileup vertices
 - Max. distance (in sigmas) from the center of the diamond in the transverse plane
 - Max. distance (in sigmas) from the center of diamond in z-direction ¹⁰

Pileup tagging, removal

- ✓ Multiple vertices with tracks: Can be removed by simultaneous vertex finding using ITS, TPC and TOF
- ✓ Correlation between centrality estimators (Pb-Pb): cut on correlation between V0 and CL0, CL1 centralities



Pileup tagging, removal

- ✓ Can be removed in track level
- ✓ Require the track status to include `kITSrefit`
- ✓ `fESDtrackCuts-> SetClusterRequirementITS(AliESDtrackCuts::kSPD, AliESDtrackCuts::kAny)`
AOD
`track->HasPointOnITSLayer(0)||track->HasPointOnITSLayer(1)`
- ✓ Require matching to TOF
`track->GetTOFBunchCrossing()==0`

Primary vertex selection

✓ Primary vertex information can be retrieved from ESD and AOD events
`AliVVertex* vtx = event->GetPrimaryVertex();`

✓ This method will return:

- Vertex reconstructed from global tracks (ITS+TPC)
- The SPD vertex
- Vertex from TPC tracks

✓ More selections can be applied in order to reject events with poorly reconstructed vertex

- Selection on contributors to vertex, `vtx->GetNContributors()>1`
- Selection on SPD vertex type (3D or z reconstruction)

```
AliVVertex* vtxSPD = event->GetPrimaryVertexSPD();
```

```
if(vtxSPD->IsFromVertexer3D()){
```

```
// vertex with 3D (x,y,z) reconstruction from SPD tracklets
```

```
}
```

```
if(vtxSPD->IsFromVertexerZ()){
```

```
// vertex with Z reconstruction from SPD tracklets and x,y from mean vertex
```

```
}
```

Primary vertex selection

Further selections can be applied in order to reject events with poorly reconstructed vertex
Special selections for SPD vertex (based on z resolution/dispersion)

```
fMaxResol=0.25 , fMaxDipersion=0.03 ;
```

```
AliESDVertex* esdVtxSPD = esdEvent->GetPrimaryVertexSPD();
```

```
  if ( esdVtxSPD->IsFromVertexerZ() && esdVtxSPD->GetDispersion()>fMaxDipersion ) {
```

```
    // vertex Z reconstructed with very poor resolution, suggestion is to reject these events
```

```
  }
```

```
AliVVertex* vtxSPD = event->GetPrimaryVertexSPD();
```

```
  Double_t cov[6]={0};
```

```
  vtxSPD->GetCovarianceMatrix(cov);
```

```
  Double_t zRes = TMath::Sqrt(cov[5]);
```

```
  if ( vtxSPD->IsFromVertexerZ() && (zRes>fMaxResol)) {
```

```
    // vertex Z reconstructed with very poor resolution, suggestion is to reject these events
```

```
  }
```

Cut on absolute distance between track and SPD vertices (Pb-Pb 2011)

```
const AliVVertex* vtx = event->GetPrimaryVertex();
```

```
const AliVVertex* vtxSPD = event->GetPrimaryVertexSPD();
```

```
  if(TMath::Abs(vSPD->GetZ()-vtx->GetZ())>0.5) {
```

```
    // reject, bad reconstructed track vertex
```

AliEventCuts usage

- ✓ All of the previous cuts can be accessed by AliEventCuts class
- ✓ Modify your header file
`AliEventCuts fEventCuts;`
- ✓ QA plots in the list can be added by following lines in the UserCreateOutputObjects function of your class
`fEventCuts.AddQAplotsToList(fList)`
- ✓ In the UserExec method to reject events that do not pass the event cuts:
`if (!fEventCuts.AcceptEvent(ev))`
`{`

`}`

AliEventCuts usage

✓ `AliEventCuts::AcceptEvent(AliVEvent* ev)` retrieves the information about the centrality (Pb-Pb) and primary vertex.

Can be obtained by:

```
float centrality = fEventCuts.GetCentrality();
```

```
AliVVertex* vtx = fEventCuts.GetPrimaryVertex();
```

Advance setting manually:

```
fEventCuts.SetManualMode(); ///Enable manual mode
```

```
//Example of manual settings (taken by the standard pp Run2 event selection)
```

```
fEventCuts.fRequireTrackVertex = true;  
fEventCuts.fMinVtz = -10.f;  
fEventCuts.fMaxVtz = 10.f;  
fEventCuts.fMaxDeltaSpdTrackAbsolute = 0.5f;  
fEventCuts.fMaxResolutionSPDvertex = 0.25f;  
fEventCuts.fTriggerMask = AliVEvent::kINT7;  
fEventCuts.fRejectDAQincomplete = true;  
fEventCuts.fSPDpileupMinContributors = 3;  
fEventCuts.fSPDpileupMinZdist = 0.8;  
fEventCuts.fSPDpileupNsigmaZdist = 3.;  
fEventCuts.fSPDpileupNsigmaDiamXY = 2.;  
fEventCuts.fSPDpileupNsigmaDiamZ = 5.;  
fEventCuts.fTrackletBGcut = true;
```

Correlation between number of TPC (100 μ s) clusters and sum of SDD+SSD clusters: TPC pileup

- `fEventCuts.SetRejectTPCPileupWithITSTPCnCluCorr(kTRUE)` sets the default cut, which removes most of the pileup in TPC readout time (removes ~32% of events)
- `fEventCuts.SetRejectTPCPileupWithITSTPCnCluCorr(kTRUE,2)` sets a looser cut: removes 18% of the events with high multiplicity pileup
- `fEventCuts.SetRejectTPCPileupWithITSTPCnCluCorr(kTRUE,3)` sets an even more looser cut: removes 11% of the events with high multiplicity pileup
- `fEventCuts.SetRejectTPCPileupWithITSTPCnCluCorr(kTRUE,4)` sets a very loose cut: removes 6% of the events with high multiplicity pileup

Centrality estimation

✓ Add lines in UserExec

- Get AliMultSelection object

```
AliMultSelection *obj = (AliMultSelection*) event->  
FindListObject("MultSelection");
```

- Get desired multiplicity percentile

```
Float_t lcent;  
lcent = obj->GetMultiplicityPercentile ("V0M");
```

Reference links

- ✓ <https://alice-doc.github.io/alice-analysis-tutorial/analysis/>
- ✓ [https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/ALICE/AliDPGtoolsEventP
rop#Primary_vertex](https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/ALICE/AliDPGtoolsEventP
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- ✓ <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/ALICE/AliDPGtoolsPileup>
- ✓ <https://indico.cern.ch/event/586577/>