

# Studies of the assembled CMS tracker.

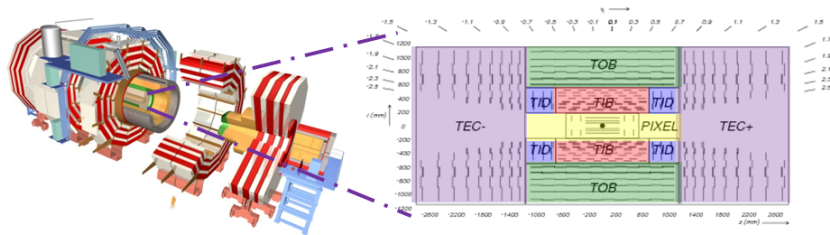
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# StripTracker Overview



5.4m x 2.4m  
 210m<sup>2</sup> of active silicon  
 15148 modules  
 75000 APV FE chips  
 9.6M readout channels

Tracker Endcaps (TEC)  
 2x9 disks, 6400 modules  
 Grouped into Petals

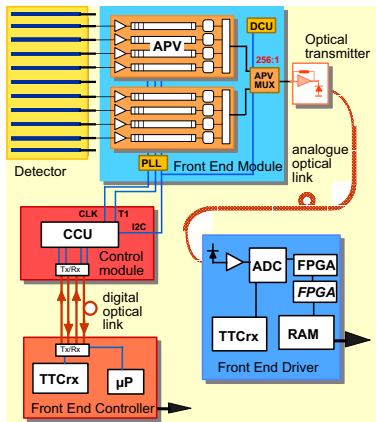
Tracker Inner Barrel (TIB)  
 4 layers, 2724 modules  
 Grouped into Strings

Tracker Outer Barrel (TOB)  
 6 layers, 5208 modules  
 Grouped into Rods

Tracker Inner Disks (TID)  
 2x3 disks, 816 modules  
 Grouped into Strings

Largest, most complicated tracker ever built. Very well-designed but the complexity requires extreme care and investigations.

# Tracker Overview: DAQ chain



## Control Path

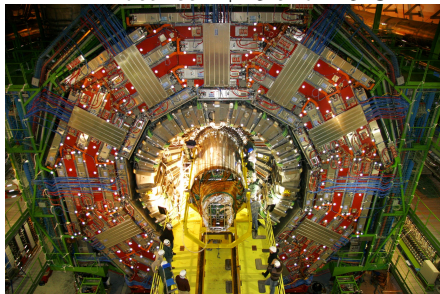
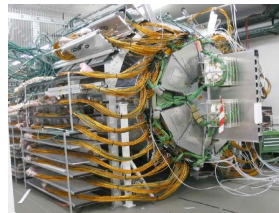
- **FEC (Front-End-Controller):** Clock/trigger distribution and FE control
- **DOHM (Digital Opto-Hybrid Module):** Optical-digital electrical conversion
- **CCU (Communication and Control Unit):** distribution of electrical control signals

## Data Path

- **FE (APV)** does analogue pulse shaping, local storage, optical conversion/transmission
- **FED (Front End Driver)** Digitization, Data processing/Zero suppression, Clusterization, and transmission to upstream DAQ

# Tracker Overview: TIF and Point 5

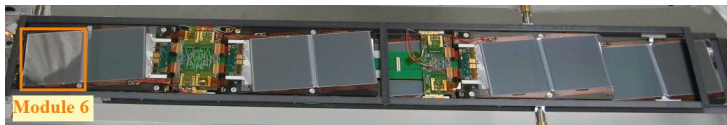
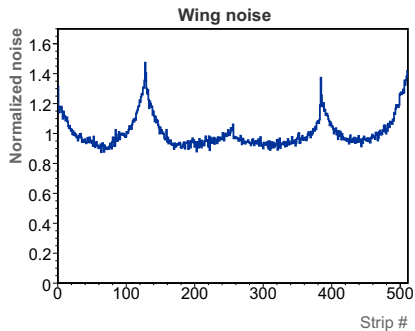
- Tracker subdetectors integrated at Tracker Integration Facility (TIF) Oct 06 till Jul 07
- During TIF, Tracker used in a 'Sector Test' with cosmics
  - 4.7 M cosmic triggers recorded
  - $\approx 25\%$  of the StripTracker readout using final DAQ electronics
  - Operated at range of temperatures: between  $+15$  and  $-15$  C



- Installation at Point 5 in December 07
  - Connections: December-March
  - Commissioning: Mid June - August
- **First large-scale tests!**

# Wing noise: Phenomenon

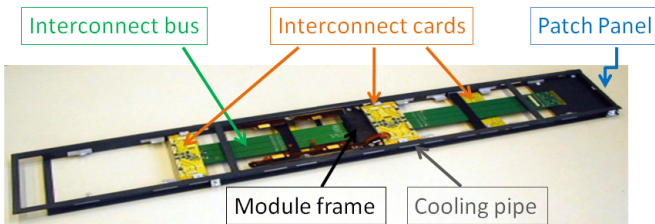
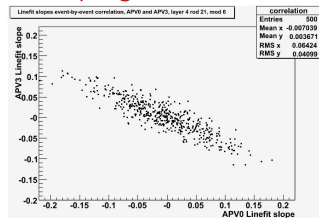
- Tracker Outer Barrel (TOB) rods show unusual wing-like noise distribution.
- Large enough to affect tracker performance.
- Predominantly on module 6, layers 3 and 4 most affected.



# Wing noise: Investigation

TIF investigations with the assembled TOB and testbench Rods

- Sheet of copper clad Kapton between interconnect bus and sensor.
  - Wings disappear, even when sheet is not grounded.
  - Ungrounded  $\Rightarrow$  **Not electrical, but magnetic coupling.**
- Similar sheets between sensor and hybrid or fiber frame  $\Rightarrow$  no effect.
- Pedestal slopes on first chip and last chip of module anti-correlated.



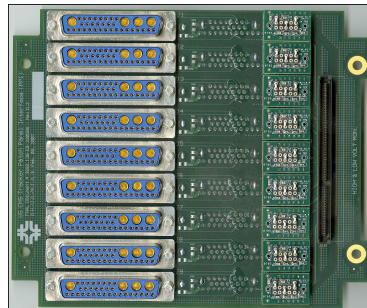
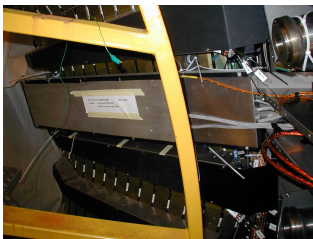
# Wing noise: Investigation

- **Cause of wing noise:** connection between CCU on rod and DOHM
  - Currents runs on top and bottom of interconnect bus and returns through common ground in the middle.
  - DOHM receives control signals over optical link and converts them to diff. electrical signals sent over copper link.
  - Differential signals are never perfectly in balance, so imbalance current returned to DOHM via ground.
  - Return from control circuit board to power bus.
  - Then via power cables and control power cables back to DOHM.
  - Cooling pipes also provide an adequate path for noise current.
- Loop that creates signal voltage: alum. sense lead on top, HV bias plane on bottom and capacitance of reverse biased diodes at sides.
- Reverse bias increases  $\Rightarrow$  lower capacitance  $\Rightarrow$  smaller current.
- Capacitance  $\propto$  width strips  
 $\Rightarrow$  Layer 3 and 4 (widest) have highest noise.



# Wing noise: Solution

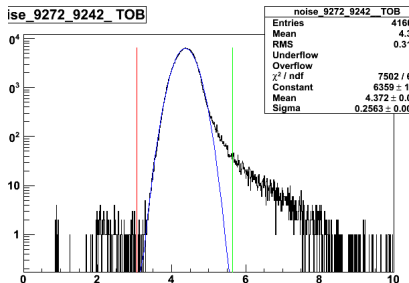
- **Solution:** High quality ground at common point for cooling pipes, rod power and control power.
  - At cable patch panel mounted on large cryostat of CMS magnet.
  - Designed daughtercards to address the problem.



- RIB (Rod-In-a-Box):
  - TOB Rod installed at Point 5 before Tracker arrival
  - First test of wing noise in final P5 environment.
  - Daughtercard scheme proven to work.

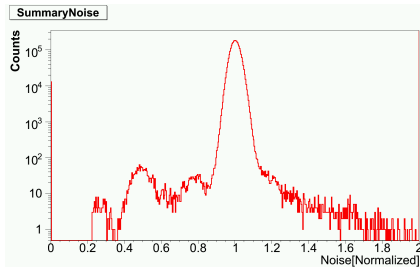
# Wing noise: Results assembled tracker

## Before



### TIF Results

## After

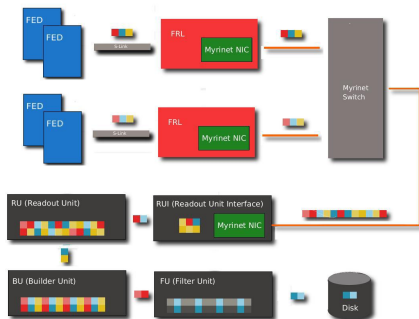


### P5 Results

- Distributions look better:
  - High noise shoulder reduced by **two orders of magnitude**
  - 9 wingy modules left on 7 rods (out of 688 rods).
  - Point 5 results normalized (dead strips at low end)

# High Rate Noise: DAQ read-out chain.

- Cosmics at TIF were low trigger rate, but CMS collisions will be at high trigger rate
- VME read-out only works for cosmics
- Needed extra hardware to test DAQ at collision rates
- No real signal, just noise and pedestals



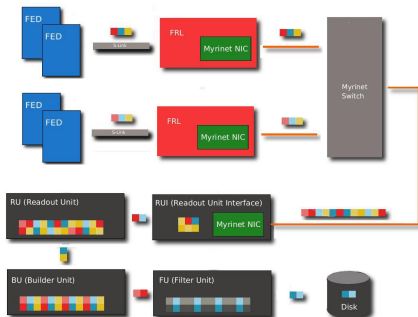
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- Available bandwidth limited us to running ZeroSuppression only
  - ZeroSuppression: Only see fraction of data over specified threshold
  - Can only recognize the effect, difficult to investigate it.

# High Rate Noise: DAQ Adaptations

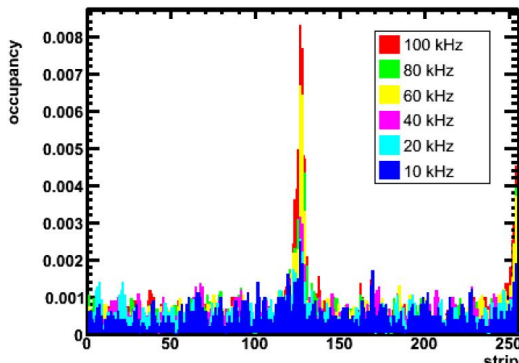
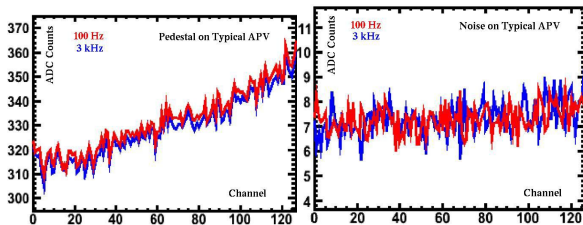
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- Prescale at the PC input
  - First: no info about previous event
  - Modified to take consecutive events (determining event correlations)
- Extra Myrinet RUI to increase bandwidth
- Prescale also implemented in FED Firmware
  - Possible to run in VirginRaw-mode at high rate
    - VirginRaw: data from all channels
  - Measure high-rate pedestals and noise



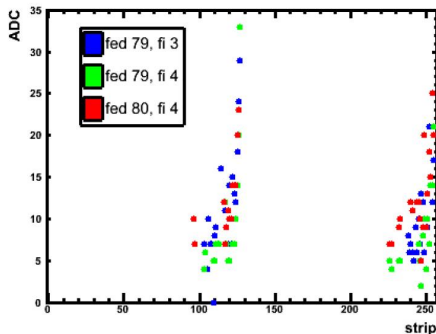
# What is high-rate noise?

- Investigate noise vs. trigger rate
- At low rate, expected behavior, no differences between 100 Hz and 3 kHz



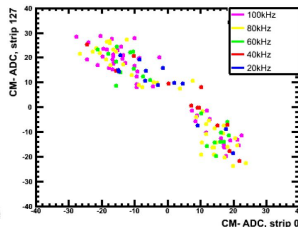
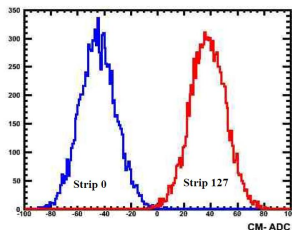
- At high rate ( $>30\text{kHz}$ ) considerable growth in occupancy
- At edge strips of chip.

# Characteristics of high-rate noise.



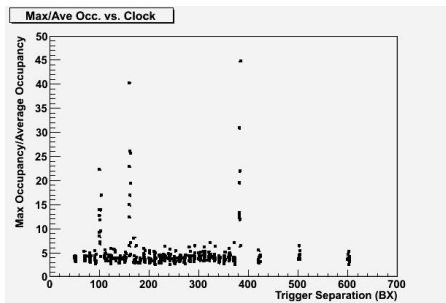
- On *every* APV simultaneously
- Not just some faulty components, really affects the whole tracker.

- Anti-correlation in strips 0 and 127 in common mode subtracted Pedestal



# Characteristics of high-rate noise.

- Shielding has no impact at all.
- Fixed-frequency trigger shows no effect.
  - Check trigger hardware for pathological effects: none found
- Not correlated with pipeline location in APV.



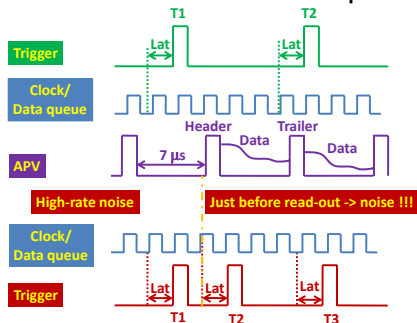
- Discovered certain trigger intervals (T2-T1) with Spikes in Maximum Occupancy (380, 160 and 100)
- Animation at <http://www.mit.edu/~khahn/interval/loopBX.gif>
- Jumps up for all fibers

# How is the high-rate noise generated?

Simultaneous look at trigger and data at the APV chip with a scope caused the breakthrough.

- Trigger arrives
  - Queued data buffered for read-out (latency)
  - DAQ occurs just before read-out
- ⇒ current rise due to read-out affects noise behaviour.
- ⇒ **High Rate Noise**

## Cross-talk between read-out and acquisition



Confirmed by simulation



# How to deal with high-rate noise in tracker?

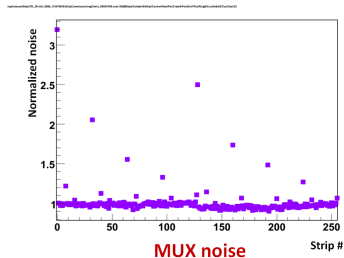
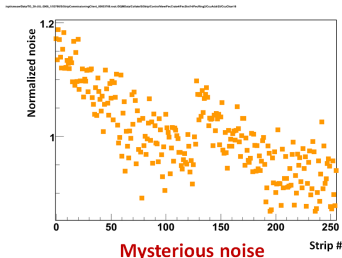
- Tracking **problematic** with high-rate noise:
  - With abnormally high thresholds tracking still slow and lots of ghost tracks.

## Possible solutions:

- Offline ID of high-rate noise (lose 1%)
- Change the trigger rules to reject events
  - High dead-time.
- Further down the DAQ chain: hardware veto for bunch-crossings that align with data-read-out
  - Not easy to implement in firmware and still dead-time (but less).
- Use anti-correlation to flag or reject events in FEDs
  - Rejection risky with non-optimized algorithm.
  - Difficult to implement in firmware.
  - Extra bit in FED header needed for flagging.

# Commissioning Results: Still Discovering details

- At subpercent level!
- 71 modules out of 15148 show noise problems (0.5%)
- New phenomena:
  - MUXing problem on 18 modules.
  - Mysterious noise behaviour on 25 modules.
  - Show correlation with bad supply of power or control signals.



# Conclusions

- **In general tracker performs extremely well.**
- Two problems found and understood:
  - **Wing noise:** in control path, solution found and implemented.
  - **High Rate Noise:** in read-out path, solution under development.
- Tracker Integration Facility showed its merit as a testbench.
  - Problems found and solved there.
  - In time to change final design slightly (daughtercards).
- Remain vigilant for future problems
  - Already seen some new syndromes during commissioning
  - What will happen with first pp collisions?
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