

DAQ Update - CM43

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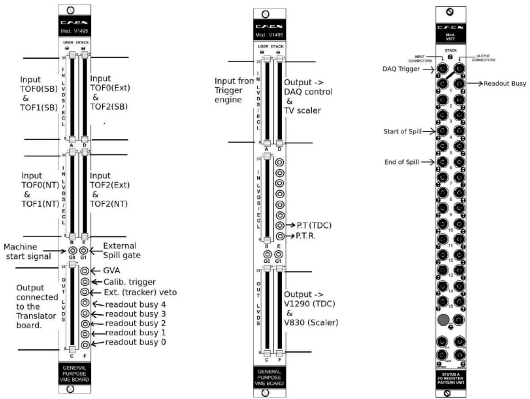
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Trigger

- The trigger was routinely operated during the last three user cycles.
- No issues were found.
- Big step forward comparing to the previous situation when the trigger was the most fragile component of the DAQ system.

Documentation of the Trigger system is completed.

Cabeling scheme

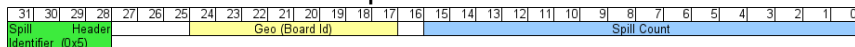


Left: Trigger engine board connection scheme. Middle: Translator board connection scheme. Right: I/O connection scheme.

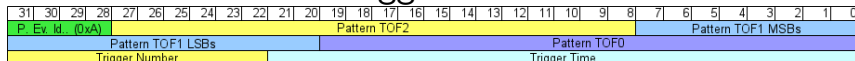
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Structure of the Event readout buffer

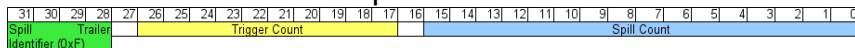
Spill Header



Trigger Event



Spill Trailer



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The WME address map:

Register name	Address	Addr. size	Data size	Read/Write
Event readout buffer	base + 0x0000-0FFC	A32	D32	R, BLT
Module reset*	base + 0x800A	A32	D32	W
GEO*	base + 0x102C	A32	D32	R/W
Status	base + 0x1030	A32	D32	R
User firmware version*	base + 0x1008	A32	D32	R
Number of triggers	base + 0x1034	A32	D32	R
Number of data words	base + 0x1038	A32	D32	R
Number of spills	base + 0x103C	A32	D32	R
Software cycle start	base + 0x1040	A32	D32	R
Busy times 0,1	base + 0x1060	A32	D32	R
Busy times 2,3	base + 0x1064	A32	D32	R
Busy times 4,5	base + 0x1068	A32	D32	R
Part. Tr. veto lenght	base + 0x100C	A32	D32	R/W
Spill Gate open delay	base + 0x1010	A32	D32	R/W
Spill Gate Clese delay	base + 0x1014	A32	D32	R/W
Spill Gate Gen. Ctrl	base + 0x1018	A32	D32	R/W
Part. Tr. Gen. Ctrl	base + 0x1028	A32	D32	R/W
TOF0 Mask	base + 0x101C	A32	D32	R/W
TOF1 Mask	base + 0x1020	A32	D32	R/W
TOF2 Mask	base + 0x1024	A32	D32	R/W

* This register is available also for the Translator board.

Table 1: Address Map

Documentation of the Trigger system

The whole document is available at
<http://micewww.pp.rl.ac.uk/projects/online/wiki/DAQUserManuals>

Automated checks of the datataking readiness

- A system of shell scripts for automated tests is under development.
- The system provides an early detection and diagnostics of the possible problems occurring during the shutdown periods.

Typical output of the tests on miceacq15. All tests OK case:

```
*****
Start of the test: jeu. août 13 15:00:45 BST 2015
host: miceacq15
*****
miceacq15 --- Testing V977 (BA: 21020000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210E0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210F0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 21050000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 21060000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 21070000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 21080000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 21090000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210A0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210B0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210C0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210D0000) /-----/ All tests OK
miceacq15 --- Testing V1731 (BA: 21110000) /-----/ All tests OK
*****
End of the test: jeu. août 13 15:04:05 BST 2015
host: miceacq15 --> All tests OK
*****
```

The host name of the readout computer

The equipment has been tested 10 times. No problems found.

Base address of the equipment

Type of the equipment

All tests OK

No problems in this VME crate.

Automated checks of the datataking readiness

Printouts of the tests in different cases of equipment failures

```
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210E0000) /-----x-----/ 1 test FAILED
```

The equipment has been tested 10 times.
One of the tests has failed.

A case of a single failure. Does not necessarily indicate a real problem.

```
miceacq15 --- Testing V1724 (BA: 210E0000) /xxxxxxxxxx/ 10 tests FAILED
```

The equipment has been tested 10 times.
All tests have failed.

A case of a massive failure. Definitely shows a problem.

Documentation

When the test system is active, the tests can be executed on a daily basis and the results will be send to a list of authorised persons by email. Currently the VLSBs are not covered by the tests.

The whole Documentation of the datataking readiness tests is available at

<http://micewww.pp.rl.ac.uk/projects/operations/wiki/DAQ>

Short term plans and Conclusion

- Implement a more sophisticated and robust system for software version control that will include a development branch and an official release..
- Develop a procedure for rolling back to a stable version of the readout code in case of emergency.

The DAQ system is in a good shape
and is ready for Step IV.