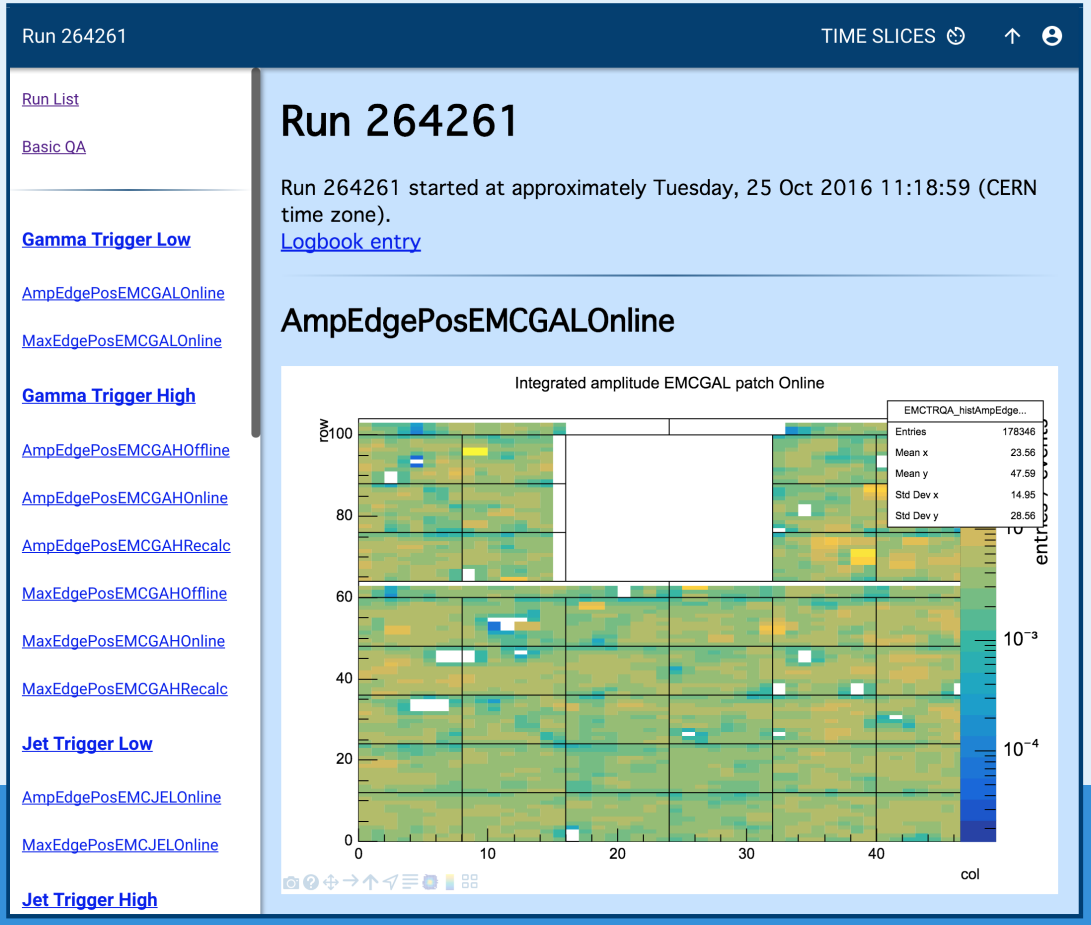

ALICE OVERWATCH

Online detector monitoring and basic QA via the HLT

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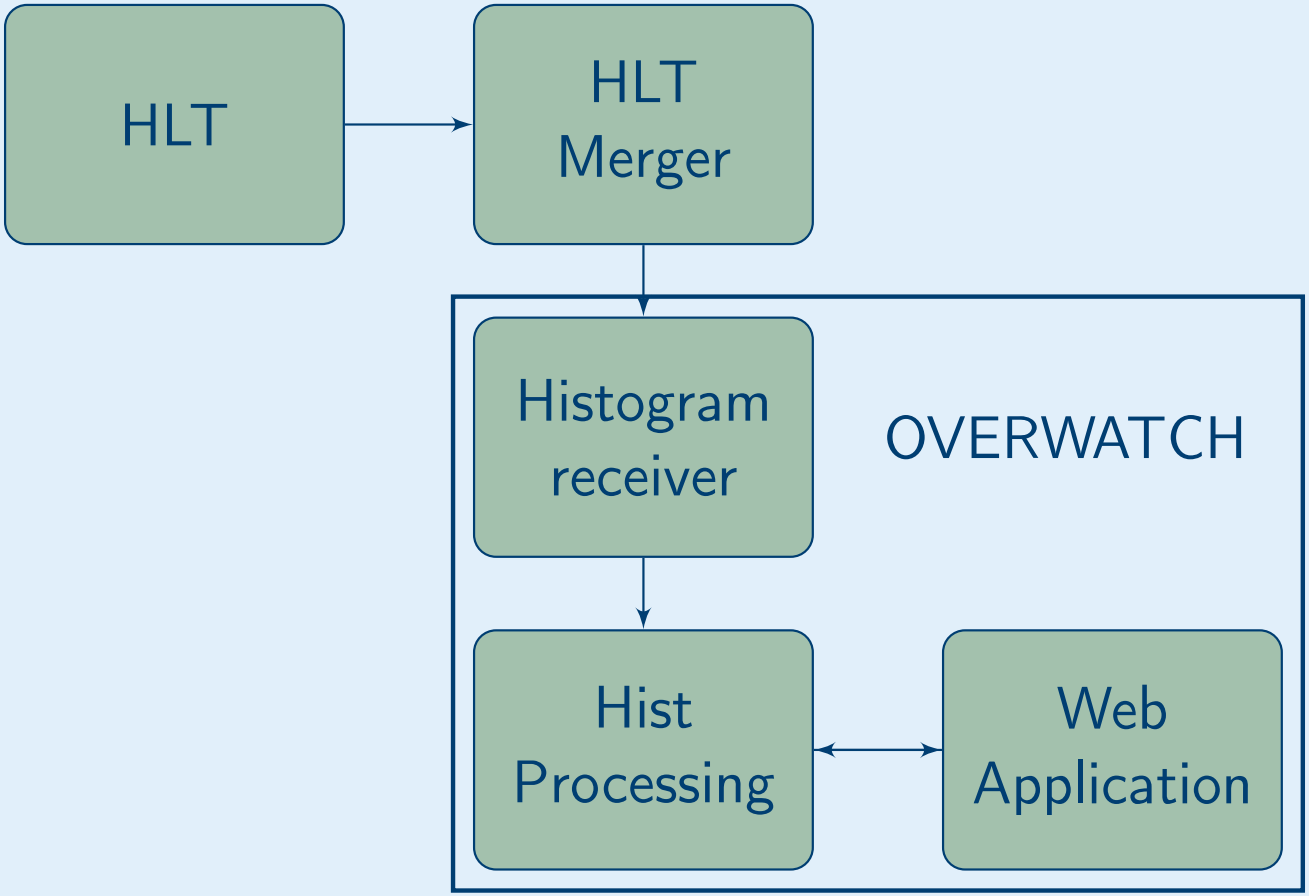
ALICE OVERWATCH

- Provides the processing and interface for online (expert) detector monitoring and basic QA using data from the HLT.
- It began as a project to provide online real-time feedback on the EMCal during the 2015 PbPb run.
  - Has since expanded to support additional detectors with additional features.
- OVERWATCH handles spectra, 2D histograms (for example, EMCal cell amplitudes), etc.
- Code available at:
  `https://github.com/raymondEhlers/OVERWATCH`

OVERWATCH Architecture



OVERWATCH Architecture

- OVERWATCH is python and ROOT based.
- Split into two main parts:
  - Processing
  - The Web App
    - Depends on the processing module for user requested processing.
- Receiver from HLT written in C++ and utilizes ZMQ.
  - Data is received approximately every minute and time stamped.
  - Large, but not unreasonably large, amount of volume. ($\approx$ 100 GB/year for EMCal + HLT + $\approx$ 3 months of TPC data).
- Designed to run as micro-service, so can start instances as needed.
- Since OVERWATCH processes data from the HLT, our architecture is similar to data processing for Run 3 when the HLT->Event Processing Node.

OVERWATCH Processing

- Processing utilizes PYROOT and runs every minute on newly received data.
- Manages run and subsystem data via ZODB (Zeo Object Database)
  - Makes management of python objects straightforward.
  - Also used by Indico.
  - We aren't strongly attached to this DB.
    - Any appropriate SQL or NoSQL database would be fine.
    - Code is not really reliant on ZODB - easy to switch elsewhere.
  - Structure is hierarchical.
    - Run->Subsystems->HistogramGroups->Histograms.
- Actual data is just stored on disk in root files.
- Output of processing is stored in json files.

OVERWATCH Processing

- Additional processing available per detector/histogram.
  - Can check values in particular histograms, stack hists, create additional hists to summarize, etc.
  - Can also handles alarms.
- Time slices
  - Can make arbitrary selections in time (0-10 minutes, 5-17, whatever, etc) within a run*
  - Can also select processing options. Hot channel thresholds, scale by number of events, etc.
  - Caches result - only reprocess if absolutely necessary.
- Basic trending support for extracted values. More to come.

* - subject to intrinsic time resolution of HLT of 2 minutes encompassing $\approx$ 3 mins.

OVERWATCH Web App

- The Web App is built on Flask.
  - Interface built using Google's Polymer.
  - Pages are built using the Jinja2 template engine. Each detector can build their own.
  - JSROOT used for presenting histograms, with fall back to static images.
  - Navigation handled by AJAX, with fall back to full page reloads.
- Display histograms according to detector specification.

Demo

- Per detector display, sorting.
- Time slices.
  - Time dependence.
  - Processing options.

Status and Outlook

- Previous version running for almost all of 2016 with few issues.
  - Previous version available at: `https://aliceoverwatch.physics.yale.edu/monitoring`
    - Login information available at: `https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/ALICE/L1TriggerMonitoring`.
- Update ready and currently being rolled out.
- We support a micro-services architecture - should support straightforward scaling.
  - Tested for Web App.
  - Still to be tested for processing, but no known show stoppers.
- In discussion with Offline about them hosting the interface.
- Can test yourself using our docker image. See slide in backup.
- Code available at: `https://github.com/raymondEhlers/OVERWATCH`

Thank You

- Thanks to Salvatore Aiola, Markus Fasel, and the HLT!

Backup

Try it yourself using docker

- Docker image available at `https://hub.docker.com/r/rehlers/overwatch/`.
- Can be tested using the following procedure (to be streamlined - we don't deploy processing like this at the moment).
  - Download test data from: `https://aliceoverwatch.physics.yale.edu/testingDataArchive`.
  - `docker run -it -v data:/overwatch/data -e deploymentOption=devel overwatch /bin/bash`
  - `cd /overwatch && python runProcessRuns.py`
  - `cd deploy && python updateDBUsers.py`
  - `cd /overwatch && python runWebApp.py`
- Still testing some cases - please let us know if you run into any trouble!

OVERWATCH

Online **V**isualization of **E**merging t**R**ends and **W**eb **A**ccessible de**T**ector **C**onditions using the **H**LT

Additional improvements

- Improve time series summary support.