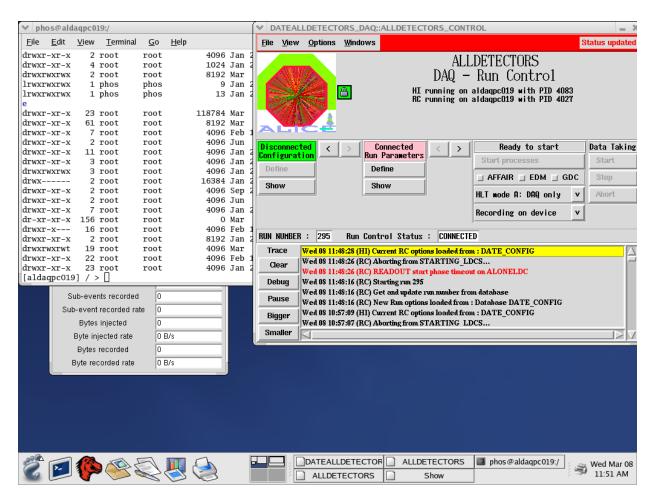
Gigabit Ethernet for DATE

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DATE Data Acquisition software

http://ph-dep-aid.web.cern.ch/ph-dep-aid/



- -Linux-based
- -baseline for all
- **ALICE** detectors
- -also used
- by other users
- -easy User interface
- -very well documented
- -in use both for testsystems and full ALICE detector system
- -Root file storage
- -I/O interface to MM fiber
- -porting to GBE over MMfiber : first resultsreported here

Communication test

XILINX V development board

Ethernet cable cat. 5E 10 meters



We checked the communication between the development board and the DATE software. The board was generating packet of 1500 bytes size and the software correctly received them on the other side.



UDP Datagram format

IP header 20 bytes

UDP header 8 bytes

DATA (all words 0x0) 1472 bytes IP header 20 bytes

UDP header 8 bytes

1 word 0xFAFAFAFA 4 bytes End of the event

UDP datagrams format, generated by the development board.

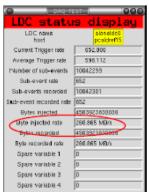
The event is closed when DATE receives and recognizes the word **0xFAFAFAFA**

Throughput/Frequency test

During our test we reached a trigger rate of 14 KHz and 20 MB/s ... the setup still needs to be tuned.

To obtain higher throughput it is necessary to use bigger UDP packets, otherwise the system will reach the maximum frequency without reaching high throughput.

Throughput using a software UDP data generator



LDC name host	poaldref15
Current Trigger rate	552,000
Average Trigger rate	597.775
Number of sub-events	10058166
Sub-eivent rate	562
Sub-events recorded	10058168
Sub-event recorded rate	562
Bytes injected	4513547168736
Byte injected rate	449.658 MB/8
Bytes recorded	4513847199756
Byte recorded rate	449.818 MB./s
Spare variable 1	D
Spare variable 2	D
Spare variable 3	0
Spare variable 4	0

LDC statu	s display
LDC name host	planelde0 pcaldref15
Current Trigger rate	421.500
Average Trigger rate	596.661
Number of sub-events	10068394
Sub-event rate	421
Sub-events recorded	10068396
Sub-event recorded rate	421
Bytes injected	4524634695536
Byte injected rate	505.962 MB/s
Bytes recorded	4524834835556
Byte recorded rate	505.962 MB/s
Spare variable 1	D
Spare variable Z	D
Spare variable 3	0
Spare variable 4	0

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LDC statu	s display
LDC name host	aloneide0 poaldref15
Current Trigger rate	247.600
Average Trigger rate	233.590
Number of sub-events	14249
Sub-event rate	247
Sub-events recorded	14251
Sub-event recorded rate	247
Bytes injected	28475345036
Byte injected rate	495.224 MB/s
Bytes recorded	28475345036
Byte recorded rate	495.624 MB/s
Spare variable 1	D
Spare variable 2	D
Spare variable 3	0
Spare variable 4	0

O DAQ TE	ST 000
LDC statu	s display
LDC nave host	eloneldc0 pcalchef15
Current Trigger rate	416.600
Average Trigger rate	183.897
Number of sub-events	21516
Sub-event rate	416
Sub-events recorded	21518
Sub-event recorded rate	416
Bytes injected	40196391736
Byte injected rate	533,289 MB/s
Bytes recorded	40196391786
Byte recorded rate	533.289 MB/s
Spare variable 1	D
Spare variable 2	D
Spare variable 3	0
Spare variable 4	0

Using UDP packet of 8000 byte Event size 400100 Bytes

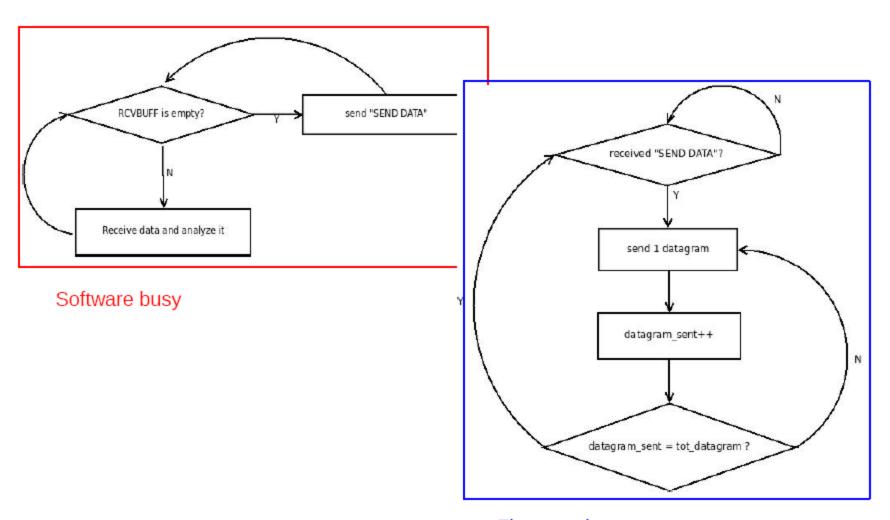
Using UDP packet of 16000 byte Event size 800100 Bytes

Using UDP packet of 24000 byte

Using UDP packet of 40000 byte

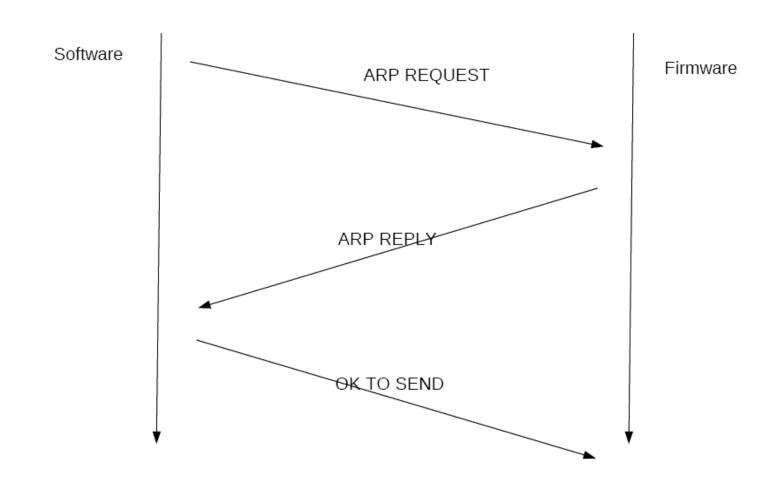
Using UDP packet of 64000 byte Event size 1200100 Bytes Event size 2100000 Bytes Event size 1280100 Bytes

Busy algorithm



Firmware busy

Communication during Busy



development platform for hardware -made UDP

