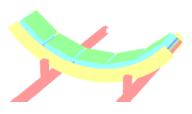


Experience with ongoing PHOSdata taking

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12 October 2007



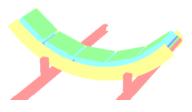
Current data taking

- PHOS module #2 is installed in the PHOS lab (bldg.167), cooled to –20°C, plugged and takes data almost continuously.
- From the temperature dependence of the light yield, the approximate high gain is 6 MeV/ADC count
- Trigger:
 - Cosmic events with 110x70 scintillator telescope (detects cosmics coming from the top ±25°)
 - LED monitoring system
- Taken data is collected by DAQ to a local disk by 100-Gb chunks, after filling the chunk the data migrates to CASTOR and AliEn.
- So far (12.10.2007) total 5.1 Tbyte of data is stored in CASTOR
- The path to PHOS data in CASTOR:

/castor/cern.ch/alice/phos/2007/

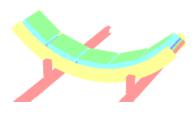
The path to PHOS data in AliEn:

/alice/data/2007/LHC07a_PHOS/



Offline reconstruction

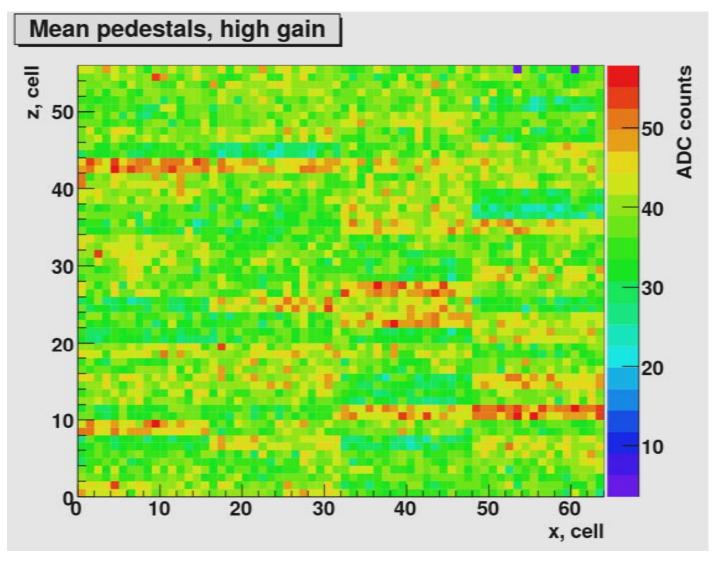
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AliReconstruction rec ;
rec.SetOption("PHOS", "OldRCUFormat");
rec.SetRunTracking("") ;
rec.SetRunVertexFinder(kFALSE) ;
rec.SetRunLocalReconstruction("PHOS") ;
rec.SetFillESD("PHOS") ;
rec.SetInput("rawData.root");
 // Set non-default rec. parameters
AliPHOSRecoParam* recEmc = new AliPHOSRecoParamEmc();
recEmc->SetSubtractPedestals(kTRUE);
recEmc->SetMinE(0.05);
recEmc->SetClusteringThreshold(0.10);
AliPHOSReconstructor::SetRecoParamEmc(recEmc);
rec.Run();
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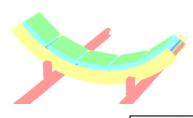


Offline reconstruction

- Reconstruction procedures are tuned with local data (a disk of 0.5 Tb is available for it).
- Due to wrong RCU firmware zero-suppressed data is corrupted and cannot be decoded. Taken data is non zero-suppressed: 100 times more data than needed.
- We still study the data quality and learn all possible imperfections of FEE. The bad channel map has to be created yet.
- Presence of "noisy" channels, and the noise behavior indicates that all DAs developed so far and tested in simulation have nothing to do with the real life.
- The data decoder and offline reconstruction is being changed too frequently to adapt to the real data. This discards the possibility to use aliroot release for data processing.
- Experience to run bulk jobs is AliEn has been acquired. But reconstruction with aliroot release does not produce any clusters. Aliroot HEAD is not available in AliEn.

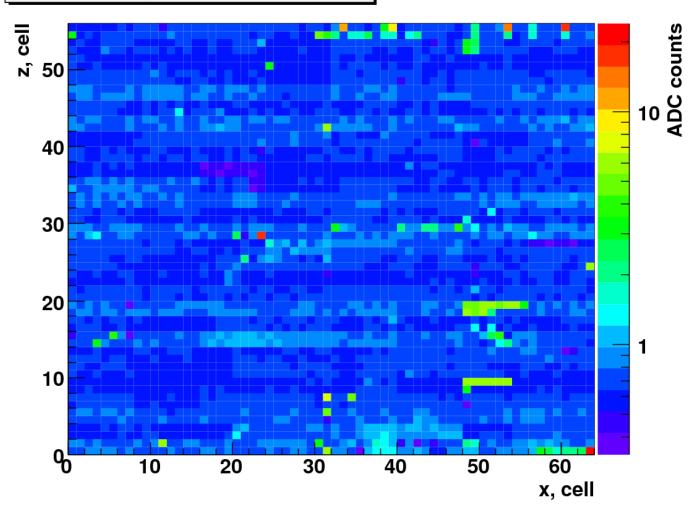
Results from offline reconstruction: Cosmic RUN 8172 (29.09.2007)

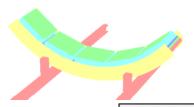




RUN 8172 (29.09.2007)

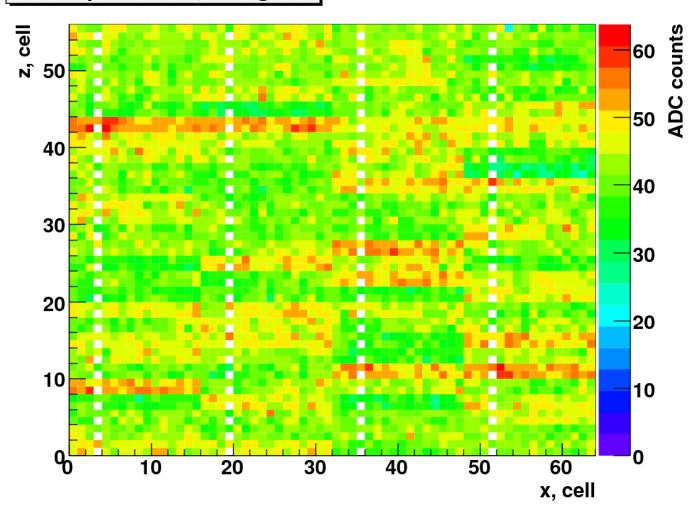
R.M.S. of pedestals, high gain





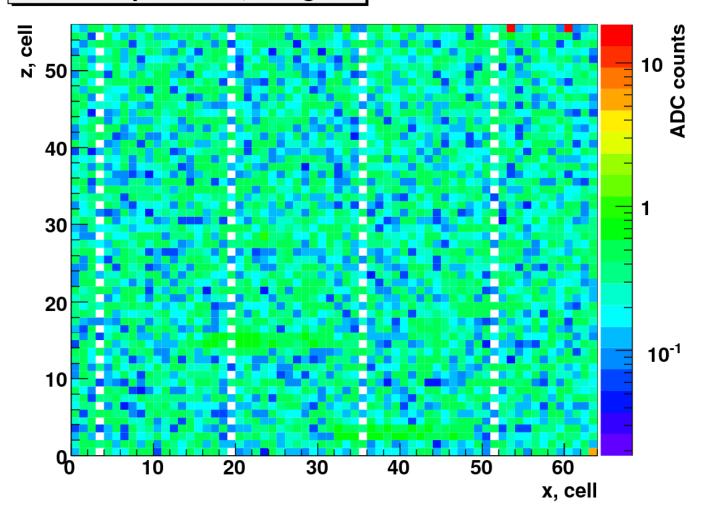
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Mean pedestals, low gain



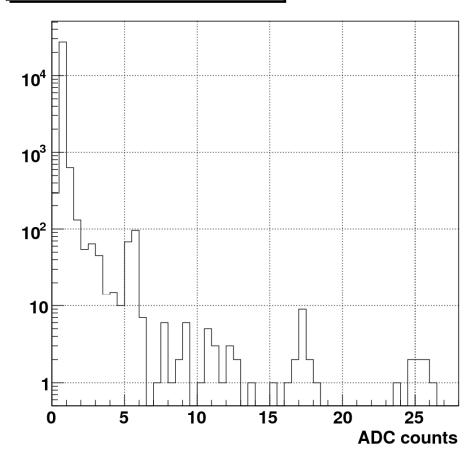
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R.M.S. of pedestals, low gain



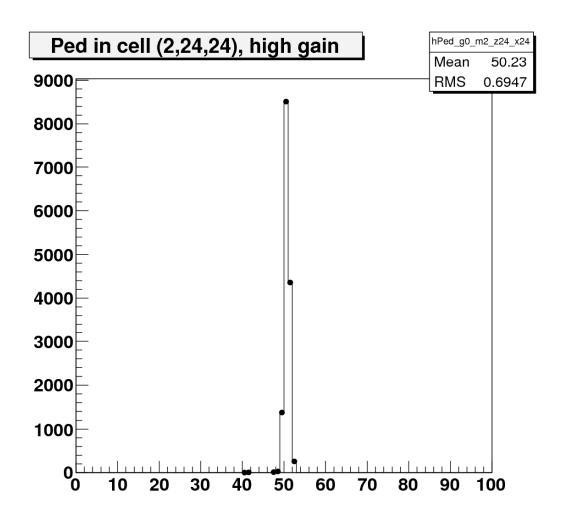
Pedestal RMS distribution RUN 8172 (29.09.2007)

RMS pedestals, high gain

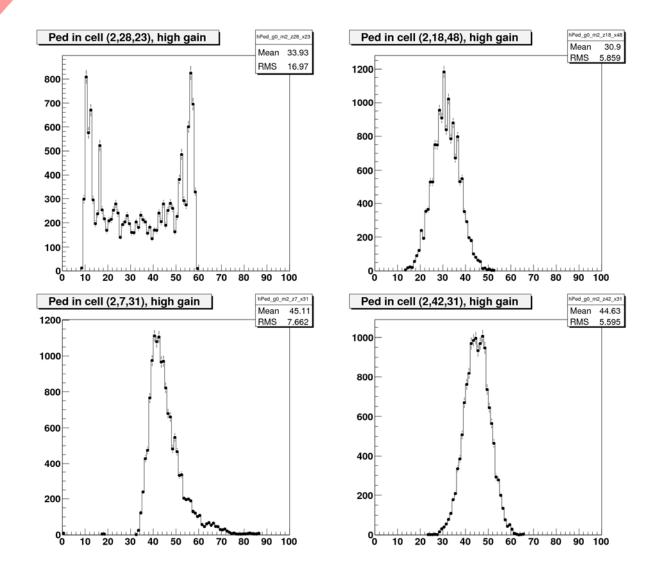


Wide (RMS>1.5) pedestals: 1.9%

Good pedestal RUN8172 (29.09.2007)



Bad pedestals: RUN8172 (29.09.2007)

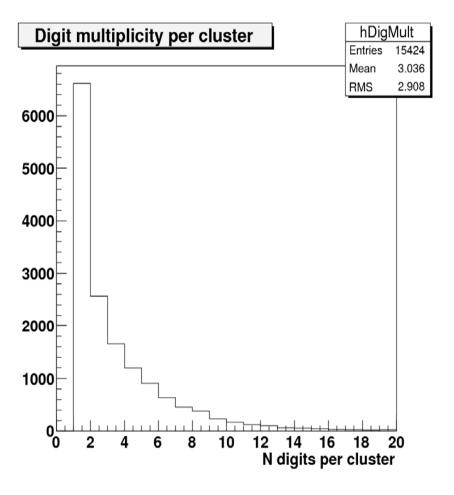


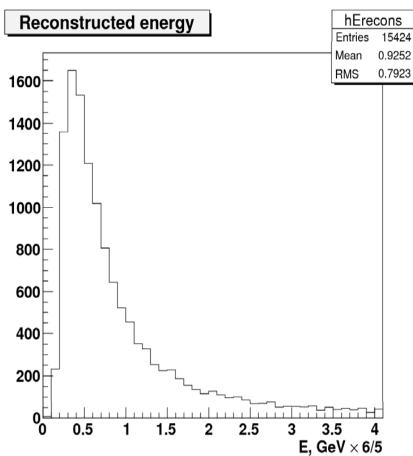


Conditions:

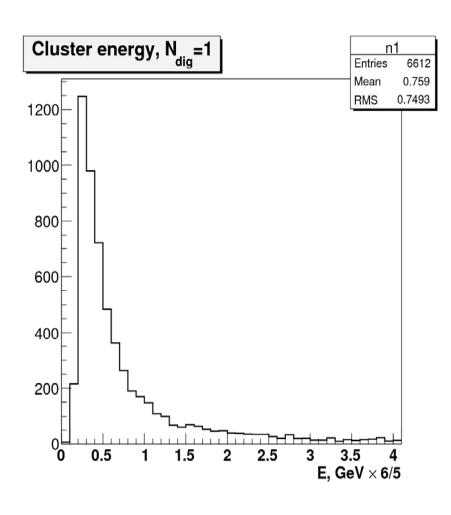
- Pedestals are calculated on E-by-E basis by averaging 10 pre-samples.
- 2. Digit energy cut: 60 MeV
- 3. Cluster energy cut: 240 MeV

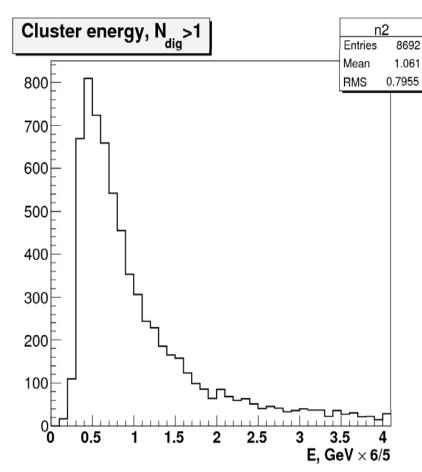
Cosmic RUN 8172 (29.09.07)

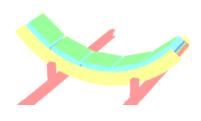




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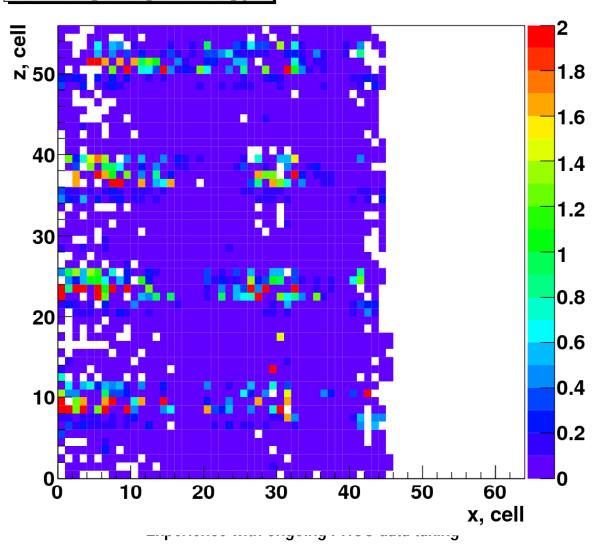


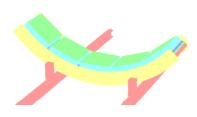




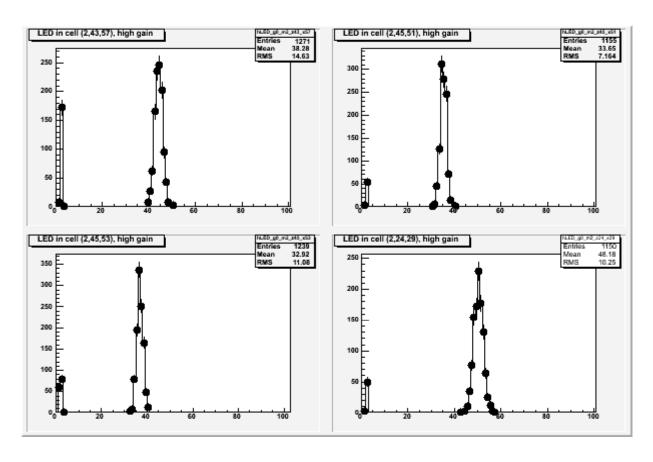
Cosmic RUN 8172 (29.09.07)

Average digit energy

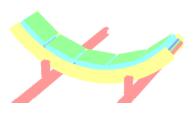




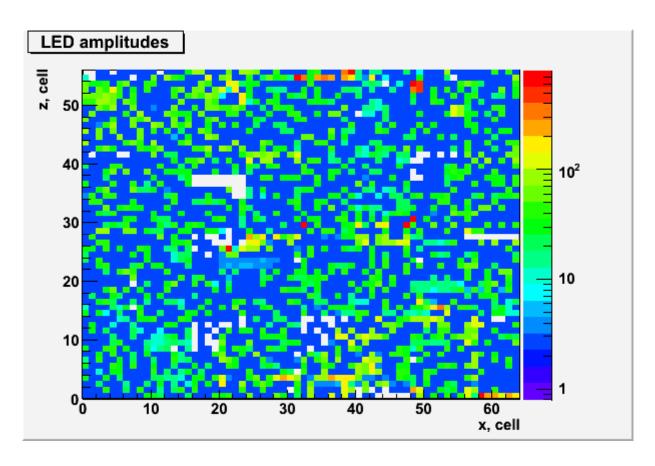
LED run 8104 (20.09.2007)



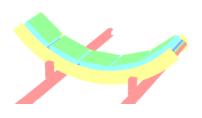
Some LED spectra in high gain channels



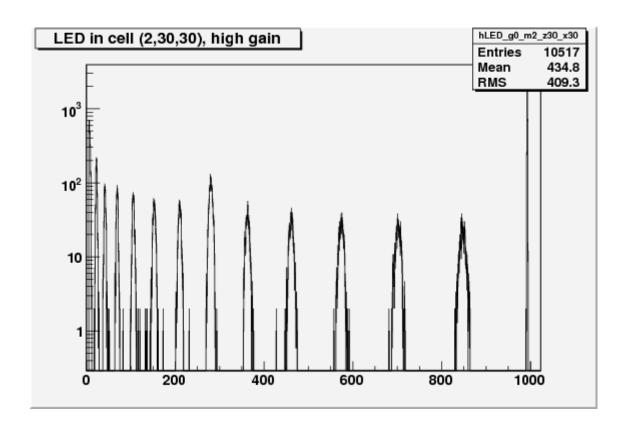
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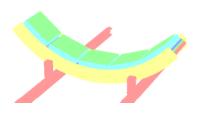


Average LED amplitudes in high gain channels

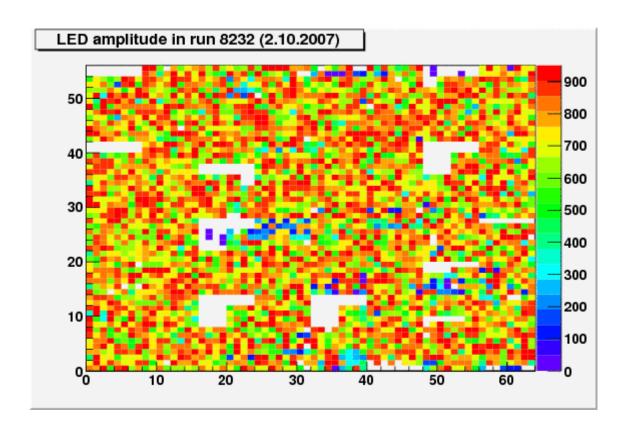


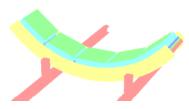
LED run 8232 (2.10.2007)





LED run 8232 (2.10.2007)





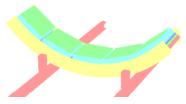
Online data processing (1)

DAQ DA:

- Filling histograms needed for calibration
- PHOSda is RPM'ed. Tested with real data from a file only. It produces histograms files which can be analyzed by AliPHOSPreprocessor which is supposed to run by Shuttle.
- We don't have a chance to test it during the data taking, because no dedicated computers are available for such tasks in the PHOS lab.

• HLT DA:

- Bad channel mapping
- Filling histograms needed for calibration



Online data processing (2)

- Online monitoring (DQM) is provided by HLT with the following functionality:
 - Raw data display is now synchronized with event didplay. Raw data can be displayed by double click with mouse.
 - Improved calibration display with one to one correspondence between coordinates from apdgui and HLT



Summary

- Not only dead, but also bad (noisy, no HV, too high HV) channels should be mapped
- Clusterizer should use bad channels
- Thresholds should be passed to raw data decoding via AliPHOSRecoParam
- Clusterizer thresholds are already passed via AliPHOSRecoParam
- Presence of LED signal indicates that the channel is alive
- Absence of LED signal is not a sole feature of dead channels
- Decoding and reconstruction are permanently modified, the need of HEAD in AliEn is mandatory.
- Online monitoring and DA are provided by HLT. Link from HLT DA to OCDB is to be implemented.