Allen: a GPU trigger for LHCb



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The upgraded LHCb detector

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The y-component of the magnetic field is superposed to visualise in which parts of the detector trajectories are bent.

- Standalone package
- Run configurable sequence of algorithms
- Process O(1000) events in parallel
- Handles host/device memory allocation and transfers between host and device
- Sequence configurable at compile time
- Algorithms configurable at runtime
- Run tracking and vertex reconstruction

Reconstruction

(Left) sequence of algorithms; (top right) efficiency of vertex reconstruction; (bottom right) momentum resolution of track reconstruction.





Monitoring

Integrated monitoring of selection rates and reconstructed objects: (top left) number of data slices monitored; (top right) event selection rates; (bottom left) number of reconstructed tracks per event; (bottom right) number of reconstructed primary vertices per event.







Overview of the LHCb trigger for Run III: (left) baseline and (right) GPU-enhanced. A GPU-based first-stage (HLT1) trigger would reduce the data rate between the two server farms by a factor of 30-60. Cost saving on networking offsets the cost of GPUs.



Throughput

- Throughput rate allows running on O(500) GPUs
- Throughput still scales with theoretical GPU performance
- New GPU performance expected to improve further by start of Run III

Options to do even more in HLT1:

- Improve low-momentum tracking efficiency
- Decode calorimeter information
- Remove global event cut
- Downstream track reconstruction







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