### Last time: EM/HAD Showers and Calorimetry

Today's Lecture:

 Calorimeter resolution
 Triggering and Data Acquisition



### Course Assessment

- 1. Exam in the Summer (60%)
- 2. Two sets of assessed problem sheets (15%) each
  - Facilities & Detection techniques (Distributed Fri 31 October, return Mon 24 November)
  - Treatment of experimental data (Distribute Fri 28 November, return Tues 13 January)
- 3. One presentation of a 'case study' (10%)
  - Approx 15 minutes + 5 minutes questions on an important particle physics result.
  - Describe motivation, apparatus, method and results
  - ... Use original papers and www as references
  - ... as if giving a seminar on your own work
  - Assessed by PRN and a couple of friendly postdocs / Ph.D. students
  - Provisionally three dates for the 7 talks (Mon 1 Dec, Fri 5 Dec, Mon 8 Dec)
  - Possible topics see next slide
  - Topic and date allocations next Monday 10 November

#### Example topics for Case studies

- 1. Current limits on the Higgs mass and where they come from
- 2. Measurement of  $\sin 2\beta$  at B factories
- 3. Discovery of the top quark at the Tevatron
- 4. Discovery of neutrino mass at Super Kamiokande and elsewhere
- 5. Measurement of the proton structure function  $F_2(x,Q^2)$  at HERA
- 6. Evidence for the quark-gluon plasma from heavy ion collisions at CERN and Brookhaven
- 7. Determination of the Number of Neutrinos at LEP
- 8. How ATLAS or CMS will find the Higgs boson
- 9. Why do we want a future  $e^+e^-$  collider and what will it look like?
- 10. Prospects for discovering supersymmetry at the LHC
- 11. Black hole production at the LHC
- 12. Many many more possibilities [by agreement with PRN] .....
- ... Your talk should not be on the same topic as your C4 project

.... We should not duplicate topics, so please have a first and second choice topic for Monday

#### **Calorimter Resolution**

Resolution of a Calorimter usually Considered in 3 parts:

- 1.  $\sigma(E) \propto \sqrt{E}$  'counting error' due to statistical fluctuations in showering / sampling
- 2.  $\sigma(E) \propto const$  Energy independent error due to electronic noise, pile-up of other events at LHC ...
- 3.  $\sigma(E) \propto E$  Losses due to leakage or dead material, systematics such as miscalibration

Usually quoted as a fractional error ( $\oplus$  means 'add in quadrature')

$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{b}{E} \oplus c$$

typically for em calo a=0.1, b=c=0.01 for had  $a\sim 0.4$ 

### Example: CMS



At low E,  $\sigma(E)/E \sim 1/E$ , dominated by noise, pile-up etc

At high E,  $\sigma(E)/E \sim 1/E^{1/2}$ , dominated by `intrinsic' statistical sampling error

c.f. trackers,  $\sigma(p_t)/p_t \alpha p_t$ 

NB! Calorimeter resolution improves with increasing energy Tracking resolution deteriorates with increasing energy ... the two types of detector are often complementary!

# Triggering and Data Acquisition General Framework



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From signals in detector, find interesting events and permanently store



- Trigger System:
  - Selects in Real Time "interesting" events from the bulk of collisions. - Decides if YES or NO the event should be read out of the detector and stored

### Data Acquisition System

- Gathers the data produced by the detector and stores it (for positive trigger decisions)
  - Front End Electronics:
    - Receive detector, trigger and timing signals and produce digitized information
  - Readout Network
    - Reads front end data and forms complete events (sometimes in stages) - Event building
  - Central DAQ
    - Stores event data, can do data processing or filtering.
    - Overall Configuration Control and Monitoring

## Trigger Requirements and Goals

#### LEP

 $\sigma_{tot}$ ~30nb Low bunch crossing rate Low beam induced background All physics events interesting Take all physics (about 1 Hz)

### LHC

 $\sigma_{tot}$ ~30mb High bunch crossing rate High beam induced background High p<sub>t</sub> interactions interesting Physics rate ~10<sup>9</sup> Hz Take 1 physics event in 10<sup>7</sup>

Triggers must .....

- Be as fast as possible cf drift times in tracking detectors  $\sim$ ms  $\otimes$
- Recognise good physics events with high efficiency
- Have well known efficiency (60 +/- 1 better than 90 +/- 5)
- Remove backgrounds, especially beam induced
- Select interesting from uninteresting physics (at hadron colliders)



	LEP (1989)	LHC (2005)	Factor
Nr. Electronic Channels	≈ 100 000	≈ 10 000 000	× 10²
Raw data rate	≈ 1 000 <i>G</i> B/s	≈ 1 000 TB/s	× 104
Data rate on Tape	≈ 1 MB/s	$\approx$ 100 MB/s	× 10²
Event size	≈ 100 KB	≈ 1 MB	× 10
Bunch Separation	22 µs	25 ns	× 10 <sup>3</sup>
Bunch Crossing Rate	45 KHz	40 MHz	× 10 <sup>3</sup>
Rate on Tape	10 Hz	100 Hz	× 10
Analysis	0.1 Hz	10-6 Hz	× 10 <sup>5</sup>
	(Z <sub>0</sub> , W)	(Higgs)	

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Most experiments adopt a multi-level approach to triggering, with decisions based on more and more information (so better and better rejection) at successive levels.

- Trigger levels
- `Before'." Hardware trigger: *Fast* trigger which uses crude data from few detectors and has normally a limited time budget and is usually readout implemented using hardwired logic.  $\Rightarrow$  Level-1 sometimes Level-2
- Software triggers: Several trigger levels which refines the crude decisions of the hardware trigger by using more detailed `After' data and more complex algorithms. It is usually implemented using processors running a program. readout  $\Rightarrow$  Level-2, Level-3, Level-4, ...



e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>Crossing rate 45 kHz (4 bunches)



- Level 1 trigger latency < inter bunch crossings -> No deadtime
- No event overlapping
- Most of the electronics outside the detector

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**`Deadtime**' is when detector is busy doing something like readout, so is insensitive to further collisions. At LEP, the (level 1) trigger is deadtime free – deadtime only when the detector is being read out.





- Level 1 trigger time exceeds bunch interval
- Event overlap & signal pileup (multiple crossings since the detector cell memory greater than 25 ns)
- Very high number of channels

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If (level 1) trigger is to stay deadtime free, need to cope with data from multiple bunch crossings simultaneously ..... use `pipelining'

### Principle of Pipelining



Keep data from several bunch crossings while trigger has time to make decision. `Rewind' to correct bunch crossing for readout.
No deadtime until we decide to read out the full event.

**Example first level trigger** – crude but fast reconstruction to look for regions of possible activity ... LHCb calorimeter just looks for the highest pT particle using a sliding window and compares with a tunable threshold



# LHCb LO Calorimeter Trigger

- Select the particles with the highest P<sub>T</sub>
  - For the Level O decision, we need only the particle with the highest P<sub>T</sub>
  - Check if above threshold
- Identify hot spots
  - Detect a high energy in a 'small' surface
  - Use a square of 2 x 2 cells area
    - 8 x 8 cm2 in the central region of ECAL
    - more than 50 x 50 cm2 in the outer region of HCAL



## Trigger Thresholds

Usually triggering is a compromise between low thresholds (to optimise physics studies) and high thresholds (to keep background / physics rates under control)



e.g. suppose we want to trigger on a light Higgs (120 GeV) through decays →bbbar jets at 60 GeV each ..... ... Huge rates! Very hard!

In fact level 1 jet thresholds >~ 100 GeV! An example tracking trigger (H1 Fast Track Trigger): Often only a subset of available information used for first level trigger to speed up the processing ...

#### Principle of the FTT

Trigger Level 1: 2.3  $\mu$ s

- Hit detection in 12 out of 56 drift chamber wires
- Finding track segments within a trigger group of 3 wires. (1-4)
- Coarse linking to trigger on multiplicity, topology

Trigger Level 2: 25  $\mu$ s

- 3D linking with improved resolution
- Trigger decision based on full track information
- Track combinations for low multiplicity final states

Trigger Level 3:  $\approx$  100  $\mu$ s

• Event reconstruction and particle identification (resonances) Using a processor farm.

... nonetheless, only possible with very powerful electronics!



 $r-\phi$  view of the central drift chamber

## Fast Electronics - ASICs and FPGAs

"Application Specific Integrated Curcuit (ASIC)" and "Field Programmable Gate Arrays" (FPGA)" technology Development partly (but not only) driven by particle physics.



## Slide shown at an H1 meeting Circa 1995(!)

HDTV : High-Definition Television



### H1 Fast Track Trigger First Level



Front end Module of H1 Fast Track Trigger .... operates with a mixture of hard-wired electronics and programmable chips (FPGAs).



- Efficiency monitoring
  - Key point: REDUNDANCY

Need >1 trigger to be sensitive to the same physics: Combination removes sensitivity to noise in a single trigger Use one trigger to evaluate efficiency of the other

Ex: Electrons Efficiency

A = TPC (tracking) B = Calorimeter  $\mathcal{E}_{A} = \frac{N(A \cap B)}{N(B)}$ 

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Typically, events are only triggered if more than 1 subdetector sees them. This hugely suppressed `random' background such as

noise in the detector or electronics of a single detector



# **Central Decision Logic**

- Look Up Tables
  - Use N Boolean informations to make a single decision: YES / NO
  - Use a RAM of 2<sup>N</sup> bits
  - Example: N=3



- To Trigger On:
  - "Single Photons"
  - → 0,0,0,0,10,0,0
  - "At least one μ"
  - ➡ 0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1

Trigger Levels in DELPHI (LEP)



- Level-1 (3 μs) (hardware proc.)
  - Single detector Information:
    - Energy: calorimeter (EM and Had.)
    - Tracks: counting, coincidences
    - Muons: Had. Cal. and Muon Chambers
    - Luminosity: analog sums

#### Level-2 (36 μs) (hardware proc.)

- Detector Coincidences:
  - Accept only tracks coming from the IP.
  - Beam-gas rejection. Uses the TPC
- Level-3 (\*ms) (In parallel for each subdetector: OS9 processors)
  - Verifies L2 triggers with digitized data
- Level-4 (~ms) (a small farm: 3 alpha CPU)
  - Reconstructs the event using all data
  - Rejects Empty Events
  - Tagging of interesting physics channels

### 45 kHz 100 Hz

10 Hz

#### 8 Hz

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Trigger Levels in ATLAS (LHC)



- Level-1 (3.5 μs) (custom processors)
  - Energy clusters in calorimeters
  - Muon trigger: tracking coincidence matrix.

#### Level-2 (100 μs) (specialized processors)

- Few Regions Of Interest relevant to trigger decisions
- Selected information (ROI) by routers and switches
- Feature extractors (DSP or specialized)
- Staged local and global processors

#### Level-3 (\*ms) (commercial processors)

- Reconstructs the event using all data
- Selection of interesting physics channels

#### 40 MHz

#### 1 kHz

100 Hz

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