

INTT weekly meeting



INTT-GL1 BCO Matching issue

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Collected large cosmic data sets

- → Now performing low-level GL1–INTT BCO matching study
- GL1 sends triggers with BCO info to all subsystems
- INTT FELIXs receive BCO from GL1, regardless of hit existence

→ INTT BCO must match GL1 BCO

If not:

- Possible data drop
- Or improper clock reception

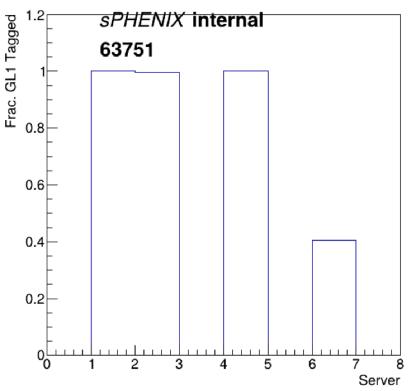


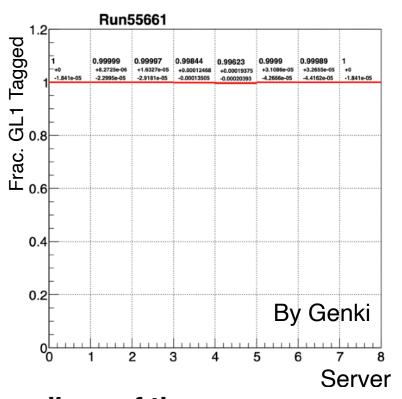


Joe prepared offline BCO QA

for silicon detectors in the production macro, and found an issue with the **BCO matching ratio**.

- → Cosmic data from last year (Run 55661) was OK
- → But current data showed significant degraded matching ratio





INTT received a RED light for transitioning to Physics mode regardless of the cause Need to solve & understand issue seriously



BCO check with ddump before combiner specifically



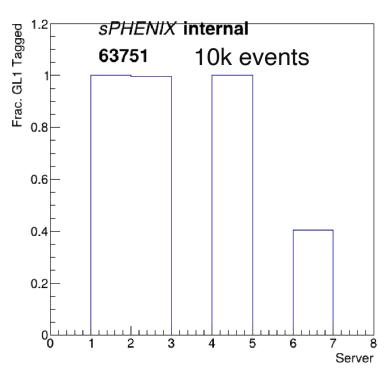
Joe's BCO QA module requires

- raw data decorder (pool)

docodes hexadecimal infomation from raw data to raw data information(BCO, chan ID, chip ID..)

- combiner

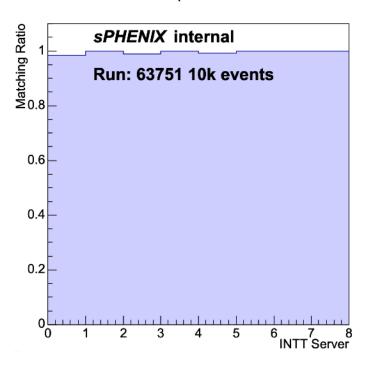
combines the raw data information into fun4all events



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INTT raw data has proper GL1-matching BCO

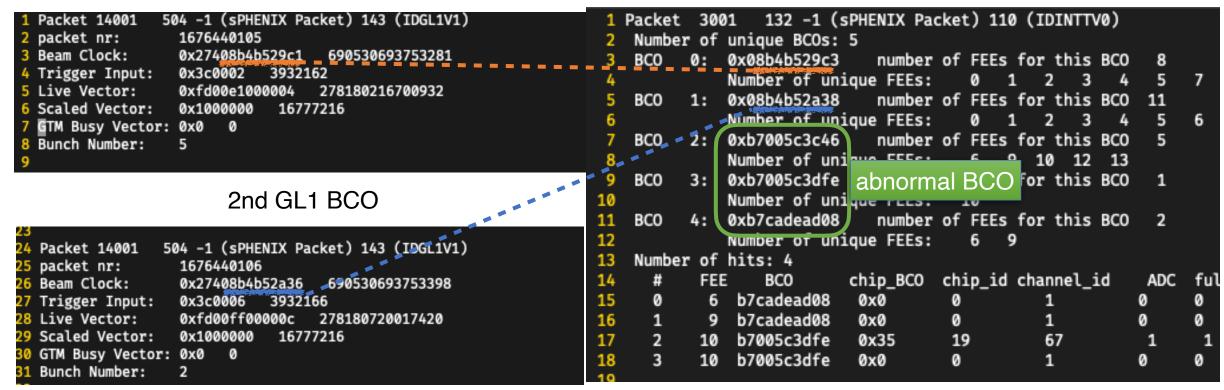
→ Need to trace down at the logic of the **decoder and combiner**



Abnormal BCO at very beginning of the run specific



1st GL1 BCO



Found that we have abnormal BCOs from previous run which cause the combiner cannot decode file anymore

- Combiner got stuck at the abnormal BCOs (at the very first data taking)
- Could not find INTT-GL1 BCO match simply because it hadn't decoded up to that point



Update on decoder(1)



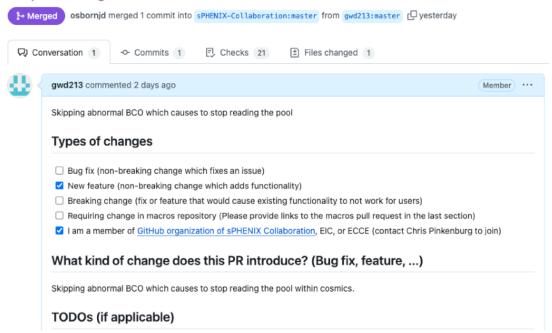
INTT has been very stable since last year data taking, and published physics result already.

Avoid modifying FELIX firmware unless absolutely necessary

- prefer offline software(decoder or combiner) solutions.

Before passing data to the combiner, check INTT BCO and GL1 BCO. If INTT BCO is abnormal(if INTT BCO is too larger than GL1 BCO), skip it.

skip too large BCO #3567



PR has been merged considering urgency for dry-run on this Thusday, Friday(?)

Cosmics production with recent decoder has been started.

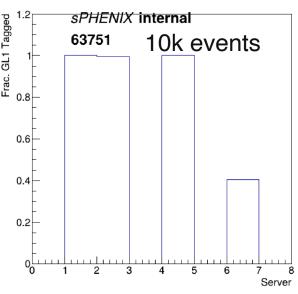
https://github.com/sPHENIX-Collaboration/coresoftware/pull/3567

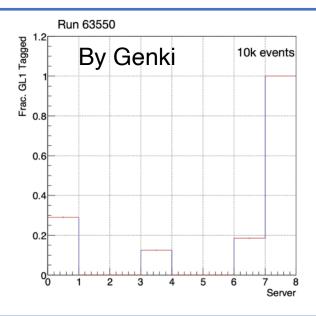


Update on decoder(2)









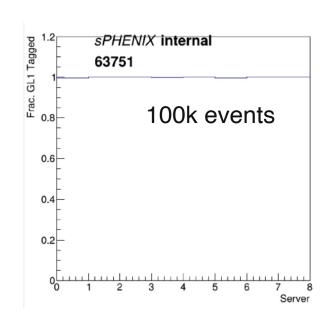
INTT has **GREEN** light for dry-run

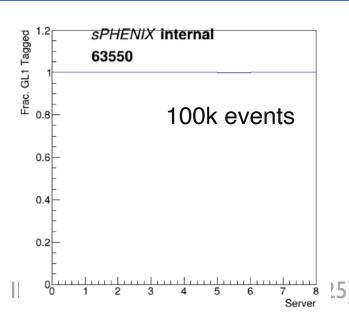
Why abnormal BCO is happening at INTT? (Better to understand)

- INTT setup/FELIX has not been changed

Discussion between DAQ expert ongoing

After



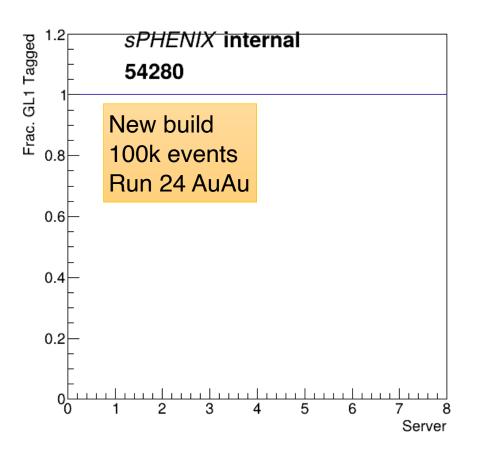


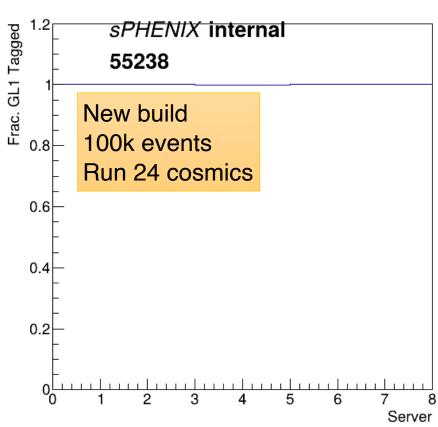


Update on decoder(3)



New PR should not affect on the healthy runs of course.









INTT-GL1 matching issue has been addressed

- → Resolved through careful raw-level study
- → No critical changes to FELIX firmware were needed

New PR merged

→ Handles abnormal BCOs from previous run

Offline QA for INTT-GL1 matching is confirmed

- → We're now ready to quickly respond if any strange issue appears
- → (Hopefully, it won't happen again!)

Why do we have abnormal BCOs this year?

- → We (including Raul) still don't know
- → Ongoing discussions among DAQ experts
- → Even we cannot answer it, it's fine since we can handle this case.. but always better to understand the reason.

Raw level GL1-INTT matching study ongoing

- → To answer above question
- → To understand why not 100% (Case for 99.6%)





BACKUP





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BCO
                           number of FEEs for this BCO
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      1: 0x08b4b52a38
                          number of FEEs for this BCO
BCO
          Number of unique FFFs.
      2: 0xb7005c3c46
BCO
                           number of FEEs for this BCO
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          0xb7005c3dfe
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