

Streaming readout for EIC

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- » Logically: Hits labeled by **time stamps**, not **event numbers**.
Definition of an event **not** part of the electronics!

Why triggered?

- » Triggered DAQ was a necessity because electronics was too slow
- » Trade-off: Rather have dead-time than no experiments
- » Modern triggered system reduce dead-time with large efforts
 - » Often by building a **streaming front end** and then adding a **trigger module**.
- » *If you never heard of triggers, you wouldn't build one.*

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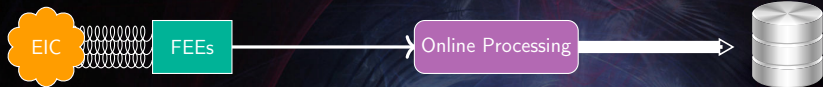
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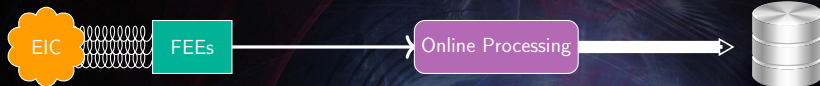
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 - » This drives adoption by HEP.

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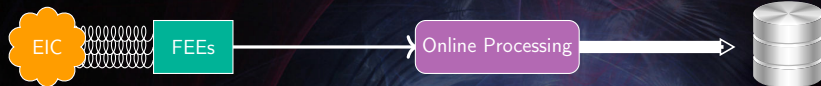
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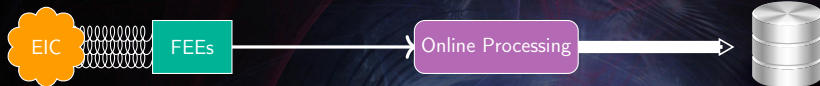
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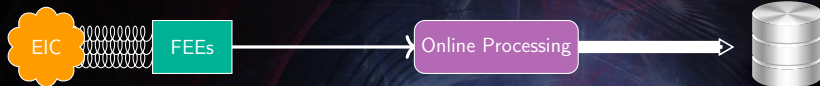
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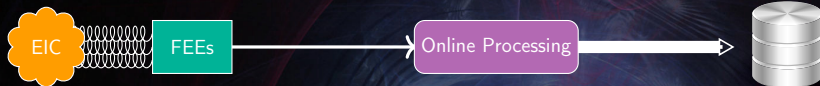
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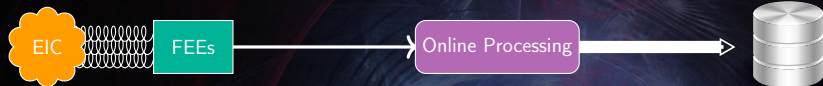
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 - » Can easily scale to large channel counts.
 - » Event building always "brittle". What happens if FEE dies?

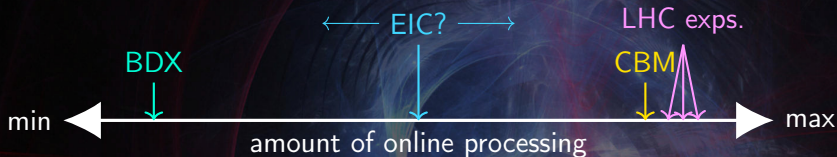
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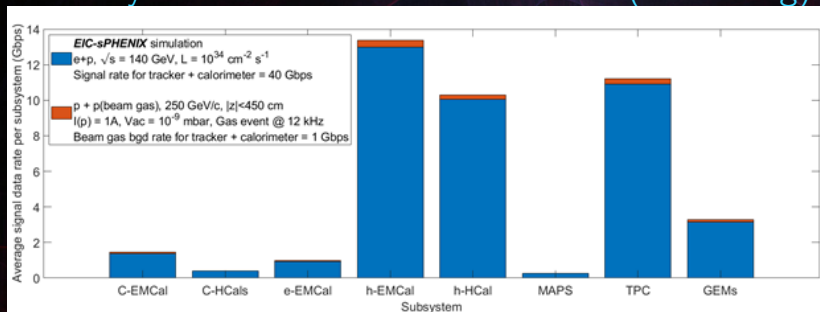
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A rate study: sPHENIX based EIC detector (Jin Huang)



Total rate around 100 GBit/s. This is 1/2 the rate of sPHENIX!

- » Rates are very well doable for sPHENIX, will be trivial for EIC time frame.
- » EIC SRO is on the safe side of the spectrum!
- » BeAST: similar rate
- » JLEIC: First estimate: 250 GByte/s for vertex detector. Need streaming, ROI/noise suppression.

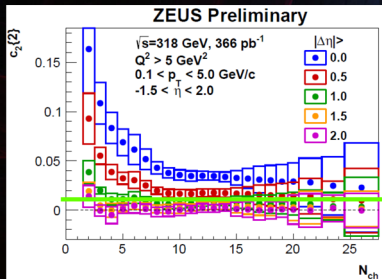
(Different detectors might give different rates, especially if channel count is drastically larger.)

For EIC, streaming readout is *insurance*

- » If rates are higher than estimated, can easily compensate (by adding back "maybe steps") **without losing physics!**
- » SRO is simpler, easier to reason about and debug.
- » No complex trigger electronics/timing.
- » Avoid critical bottle neck of event builder (can do event building over and over again offline).
- » Does your trigger capture all interesting events? **Also the channels you think of in the future?**

Unexpected physics

- » In 2016, surprising evidence of collectivity in p+p collisions [CMS, Phys. Lett. B 765 (2017) 193]
- » Inspired search for QGP signatures in even smaller systems: e+p [ZEUS, QM18], e+e [MOD, arxiv:1906.00489]
- » HERA data (currently) limited by statistics and trigger.



- » $c_2\{2\} < 0.01$ at $N_{ch} = 15$
- » implies $v_2 < 0.1$
- » Room for small v_2 , need more statistics!

(Figure / discussion courtesy Austin Batsy, IS2019, ZEUS QM18)

- » Need to record large amounts of high multiplicity events with minimal trigger bias, including low Q^2 and diffractive events.
- » At LHC: streaming/locally triggered front ends, HLT on N_{ch}
- » At EIC: Natural fit for streaming readout

Implications of SRO

- » Can record everything / have full information for data decision
 - » Is there physics neglected because we couldn't trigger on it?
 - » Can we get better exp. by not having trigger detectors?
- » Multiplexer chips to reduce ADC count (APV, DREAM, etc) don't work
 - » At EIC minimally biased: Too much deadtime anyway
- » Need to maximize the impact of online analysis!
 - » "Analysability" is another metric, often neglected

Detector design needs to consider physics needs, readout and analysis!

What is happening?

- » Consortium of many institutes to build a streaming readout standard (not only for EIC)
 - » solves many pain points
 - » small labs can contribute too!
- » We meet twice a year. Everybody is welcome!
- » Many developments in the pipeline at many institutes!
 - » **JLAB**: INDRA facility (Innovation in Nuclear Data Readout and Analysis)
 - » **BNL**: sPHENIX partial streaming readout
 - » **INFN**: ASICS, BDx / KM3Net streaming readout
- » **eRD23: Streaming Readout (PIs: Marco Battaglieri, JCB)**

Next workshop / working group



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- » Next workshop will be at BNL – hosted by RBRC
- » Three days: November 13 to 15
- » Website: <https://www.bnl.gov/srv2019/>

Can we establish a EIC Streaming Readout Working Group?

Who are we: SRC members

- » **Catholic University of America:** S. Ali, V. Berdnikov, T. Horn, M. Muhoza, I. Pegg, R. Trotta
- » **INFN Genova:** M. Battaglieri, A. Celentano
- » **Stony Brook University / RBRC:** J. C. Bernauer
- » **Massachusetts Institute of Technology:** D. Hasell, R. Milner
- » **Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility:** C. Cuevas, M. Diefenthaler, R. Ent, G. Heyes, B. Raydo, R. Yoshida
- » **New: Brookhaven National Laboratory:** M. Purschke, J. Huang

Additionally many regulars

→ **We welcome new members!** ←