



Plans for Trigger Software Validation During Running

Trigger Data Quality Assurance Workshop

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Moving to real data

- Trigger Software Validation has so far been concerned with validating trigger software running in offline MC productions
- Need to understand what changes will be needed for LHC exploitation
- Diffuse boundaries between Validation, Online Integration, Monitoring (online/offline)
- A clear definition of tasks is needed to avoid duplication of efforts
- Different activities should work coherently: allow re-use of tools and optimisation of effort

Comparison with data quality monitoring

- Points in common with monitoring:
 - Monitoring histograms are used in validation tests
 - Need to be able to examine lots of partial results with little effort
 - Tries to cover whole range of possible problems (unknown unknowns...)
 - Tries to validate all steps in the processing chain
 - Hierarchical information generated for diagnostics – if overall test (rate) fails (is too high), look at which slice tests are failing (partial rates are too high)

Comparison with data quality monitoring

- Main differences:
 - Most work done before the code goes online
 - Runs different code every night on same set of data, instead of same code on new sets of data
 - Validation tries to guarantee the code will do what it is supposed to do (and in the time/memory it has to do it); monitoring tries to verify that it did
 - Not only histograms:
 - Code metrics very important: memory, CPU time, data volume
 - Other tests: chain counts, EDM quantities – also important in data quality monitoring!

Current validation infrastructure

- ATN tests:
 - Some 50 test jobs running on a few events every night
 - Regression tests on log files
 - Test different menus, each slice separately, writing/reading POOL, black-hole events, steering, EDM, TrigDecisionTool, TAG, etc

Trigger ATN test results summary

Nightly test: Dev32BS4TrgOpt

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Test name	Test script	Athena exit	Error Msgs	Reg. tests	Rootcomp	Exit code	Dir. link	Log link
AthenaModernBS_standalone	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	MISMATCH [ps]	68	dir	testAthenaModernBS_standalone_test.log
AthenaModernRDO	OK	OK	OK	OK	MISMATCH [ps]	4	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_blackholes	-	-	-	-	-	-	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_blackholes_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_full	OK	OK	OK	OK	MATCH	0	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_full_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_full_no_Bphysics	OK	OK	OK	OK	MISMATCH [ps]	4	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_full_no_Bphysics_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_full_no_Bphysics_no_prescale	OK	OK	OK	OK	MATCH	0	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_full_no_Bphysics_no_prescale_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_full_no_prescale	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	MATCH	64	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_full_no_prescale_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01	OK	OK	OK	OK	MATCH	0	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01_no_Bphysics	OK	OK	OK	OK	MISMATCH [ps]	4	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01_no_Bphysics_test.log
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AthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01_no_prescale	OK	OK	OK	OK	MISMATCH [ps]	4	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_lumi0.01_no_prescale_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_lumi0.1_no_prescale	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	MISMATCH [ps]	68	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_lumi0.1_no_prescale_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_noEF	OK	OK	OK	OK	MATCH	0	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_noEF_test.log
AthenaModernRDO_standalone	OK	OK	OK	N/A	MATCH	64	dir	testAthenaModernRDO_standalone_test.log
AthenaModernRDOtoBS	OK	OK	OK	OK	MATCH	0	dir	testAthenaModernRDOtoBS_test.log
AthenaModernRDOtoCBNT	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	N/A	64	dir	testAthenaModernRDOtoCBNT_test.log
AthenaXMLConfigRDO	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	N/A	64	dir	testAthenaXMLConfigRDO_test.log
AthenaXMLConfigRDOtoBS	OK	OK	OK	FAIL	MISMATCH [ps]	68	dir	testAthenaXMLConfigRDOtoBS_test.log

Current validation infrastructure

- RTT tests:
 - Some 40 tests running on ~1000 events each
 - Run same job options as ATN for cross-checking
 - Also produce data for memory and CPU time monitoring

Name	JobGroup	Job status	PostProcessing status	Datasets	Hash
Combined test- with default lumi1E31 menu [id:211]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	1823382052
testBphysicsSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:216]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	error	no tests	[Show]	1702054109
testMETSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:224]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	-257168710
testBphysicsSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:218]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	1022222991
testBphysicsSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:219]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	208699629
Combined test- black-hole events [id:209]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	1573940966
Combined test- default menu [id:208]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	timedOut	unavailable	[Show]	1465974074
testJetSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:223]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	- 1821959932
testElectronSliceAthenaModernRDO [id:225]	AthenaTriggerTestMonitorHistos	success	no tests	[Show]	-

Current validation infrastructure

- PerfMon metrics:
- Use data from RTT test jobs to monitor memory consumption and CPU time per algorithm

Summary of Trigger PerfMon RTT results

The tuple in each cell is the result of a linear fit to the vmem/event graph, i.e. the first number is the initial virtual memory consumption and the second number the memory increase per event (in kB or MB). Left-click on the links for more options. See the [legend](#) for an explanation of the colors and symbols.

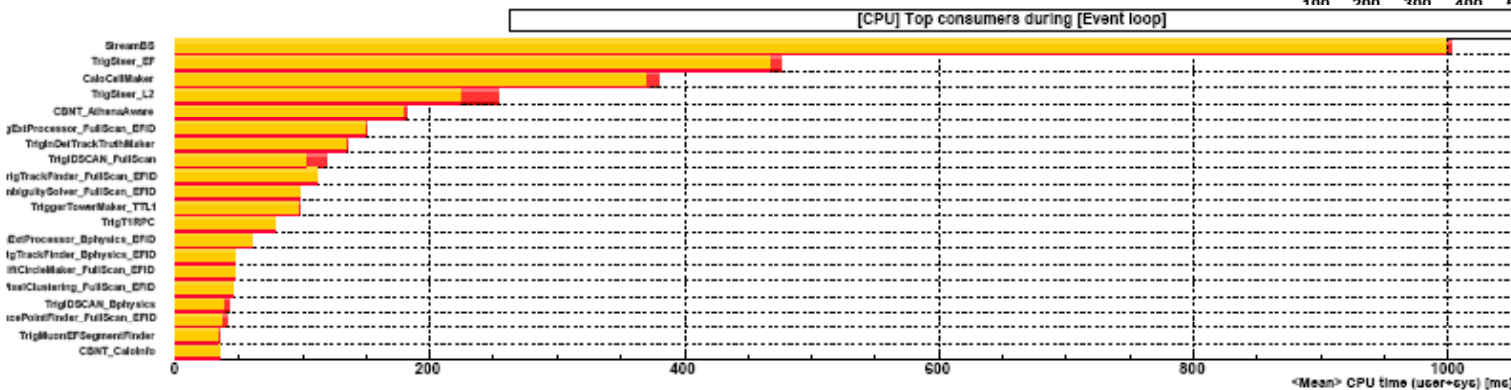
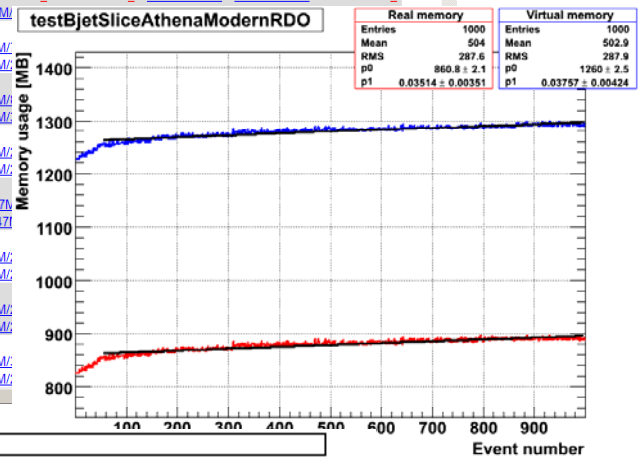
Links: [offline\(TriggerTest\)](#) [offline\(TrigAnalysisTest\)](#) [online\(HLTTesting\)](#)

Offline validation tests

TriggerTest

Show builds: pcache dev deval

Test	Build	rel_0	rel_1	rel_2	rel_3	rel_4	rel_5	rel_6
Combined test - black-hole events	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	×	×	×	×	×
	deval	×	×	2021M	×	2021M/11.2M	2021M/11.2M	×
Combined test - default menu	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1967M	×	1720M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1720M	×	1767M	×	×
Combined test - mem.leak check	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	2067M	×	1767M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1767M	×	1767M	×	×
Combined test - with default lumi1E31 menu	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1588M	×	1586M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1586M	×	1586M	×	×
caching test - calo	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1247M	×	1247M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1247M	×	1247M	×	×
lumi1E31 menu - no Bphysics	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1587M	×	1587M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1587M	×	1587M	×	×
lumi1E31 menu - no prescales	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1587M	×	1587M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1587M	×	1587M	×	×
lumi1E31 no Bphysics no prescales	pcache	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	dev	?	×	1585M	×	1586M	×	×
	deval	×	×	1586M	×	1586M	×	×



Current validation infrastructure

- Full-chain tests:
 - Run by the offline software validation
 - Runs on 200 events from generation to reconstruction
 - Usually last line of checks done before building a release or pcache

- Savannah (bug tracker):
 - Very useful to communicate and classify bugs

AID version 0.1

Monitoring of FCT tests in pcache_14.1.0.Y nightlies:
status on i686-slc4-gcc34-opt

release name	NEW: SEARCH	status	date	Log Check OK(%)	Hist Check OK(%)
rel_1	search tests	done	05/05 15:39	N/A	N/A
rel_0	search tests	done	05/04 21:39	N/A	N/A
rel_6	search tests	done	05/03 21:39	N/A	N/A
rel_5	search tests	done	05/02 21:39	N/A	N/A
rel_4	search tests	done	05/01 21:42	60	N/A
rel_3	search tests	done	04/30 21:42	66	N/A

The table above

- contains the links to pages with AID res
- shows the date and status of builds (co
- shows the percentage of successful tes

FullChainTest Outline

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graph TD
    Input[Input for Evgen] --> Evgen1[Evgen]
    Evgen1 --> FullChain[Full Chain Submission]
    FullChain --> Evgen2[Evgen]
    Evgen2 --> Cron[Cron Job]
    Cron --> Release[Release stamp]
    Evgen2 --> Good[Good]
    
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Atlas Trigger TAPM - Bugs: Browse Items

Item ID	Summary	Submitted On	Assigned To	Submitted By
#36268	"ERROR already registered an object with identifier" in AtlasPoint1 14.1.0.Y rel_1	2008-05-05 13:03	None	iaracena
#36250	MUCTPL RDO missing when monitoring is disabled in RecExCommission	2008-05-03 22:57	dsberman	tcorneli
#36217	e10TRTSegFinder trigger signature produces seg fault	2008-04-30 18:24	jdegenha	strom
#36215	Prescales retrieved from TrigDecisionTool mismatch	2008-04-30 17:09	tbold	dufourma
#36200	TrigSteer_EF errors for each event, in RDO->BS	2008-04-30 13:02	sgeorge	cbourdar
#36165	Errors for each event while reading FDR1 files	2008-04-29 16:55	sgeorge	cbourdar
#36151	too many Infos or Warnings in the RDO->ESD log file	2008-04-29 12:16	masik	cbourdar
#36146	MooHLTAlgo_MS_Muon ERRORS storing HLTAutoKey__1500_0	2008-04-29 09:16	tbold	sgeorge
#36138	push_backs w/o reserves in RegSelectorHashMap.writeLine	2008-04-29 07:11	damazio	binet
#36072	crash in CBNTAA_TrigBjet:CBNT_finalize	2008-04-28 12:46	coccaro	masik
#36020	Cannot decode 13.0.40 trigger byte stream with 14.1.0	2008-04-25 18:26	sgeorge	sgeorge
#35950	deval rel_2: crash in HLTMonManager	2008-04-24 09:39	risler	tcorneli

- Also:
 - Several scripts and tools used for specific tasks
 - Analysis-type jobs from each slice to validate “Sample A” – first sample produced, for validation, after each pcache is built
- Nightly tests run on dedicated farm (RTT, FCT) and build machines (ATN)
- Some 15-20 people directly involved both at CERN and remotely:
 - In weekly shifts to check test results
 - In maintaining the tests
- Again, possibly in common with DQM:
 - Lots of information to digest!
 - It takes time to dig into the available information and find cause of problems
 - More so when there are several problems...
 - Easier after a few days practice – what problems are urgent and what to ignore
 - It takes time and a few mistakes to reasonably cover vector space of possible problems
 - The biggest improvements have been on ways to display the information
 - Training/documentation effort not negligible, even among trigger experts

Validation plans

- Need “sign off” procedures for new releases?

E.g.:

1. Offline tests ok: no crashes, memory leaks, memory consumption, trigger code performance, EDM size on disk ...
 2. Quasi-online tests ok: AthenaMT/PT, compare trigger decision
 3. Online tests ok: run on real data in preseries, memory consumption, “rate”
 4. Stress tests ok: test against bad data, busy data, etc
- For commissioning:
 - Deploy – find bugs – fix bugs – deploy iteration needed
 - Later cannot be afforded often in real system

Validation plans

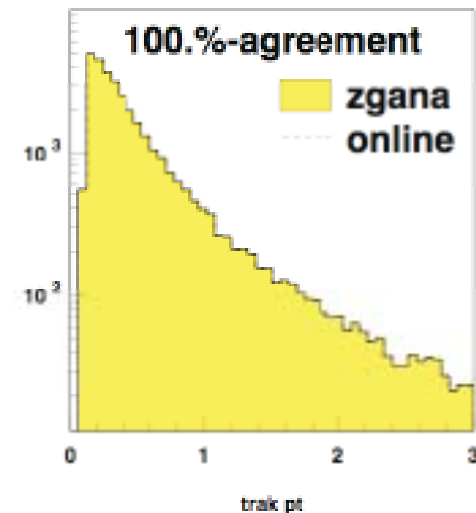
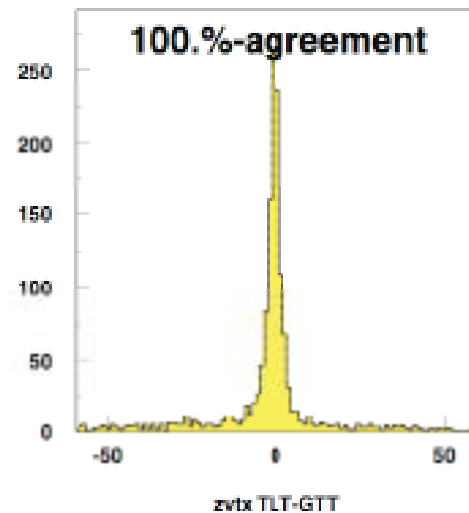
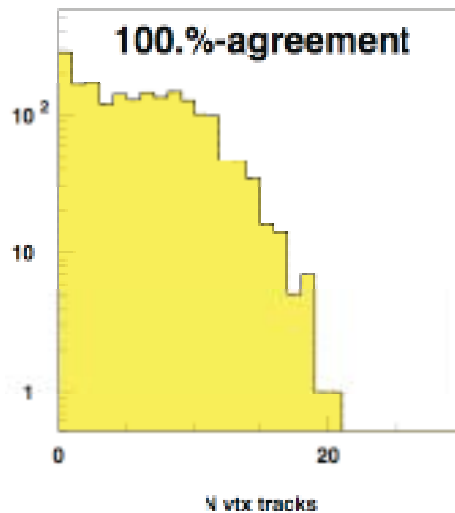
- What about new menus? What needs to be checked before going online?
 - Rate/overlap between slices can be best measured on L1 accepted real data
- Would it be useful to have formal release notes?
 - How to find what problems were present in the code after 2 years? Complement with Savannah numbers for bug details

Validation plans

- Build up test samples:
 - Save bad data!
 - Debug stream data would be very useful to test new code (after good events are removed)
 - Data taken under special beam conditions or enriched in beam-related backgrounds would be useful
 - Save busy data!
 - High-lumi data from beginning of fill may be useful to develop next set of menus (D0, CDF)
 - Build up samples passing L1 and passing L2:
 - Needed to test L2 and EF, estimate rates for new menus etc

Validation plans

- Test L1/HLT simulation (is this monitoring or validation?):
 - Run trigger simulation in the CAF and compare with online results (event by event)
 - L1 hardware/CTP won't change frequently, but beam/detector conditions will
 - HLT in CAF is immune to problems in DAQ buffers.
 - Conditions data? (same as online? Different?)



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Validation plans

- Learn from others' experiences

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- Software engineering has to be robust.
 - This code will have to be around for years.
 - Don't want to change implementation unless you have to
 - Will require analyzers to recalculate turn-on efficiencies – big job!
- Get rid of dead code
 - Unused code is a bug waiting to happen!
- Test and Verification of trigger
 - Make sure online and offline make same decision
 - Use small set of unbiased raw data to test

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Tools...

- What tools do we have?
 - Current validation tools provide a global health check of the release
 - New checks are added as new problems show up (we will know which problems are important when Atlas comes alive)
 - Current tools still too demanding in maintenance and in time needed for checking: there are plans for improvements
- What tools do we need?
 - Extracting trigger decision and data from BS in CAF (Christiane's talk)
 - Re-running trigger on real events and comparing outcome
 - Extracting events from debug stream
- Would be good to share some of the above: can't afford to duplicate efforts

Conclusions

- Essential to have validated code
 - Know what to expect from code, to know when something is not right
- Validation and monitoring can be symbiotic in several ways
 - Good definition of tasks and communication needed to avoid duplication of efforts
- The need for new validation tests will become apparent with real data:
 - The whole range of possible problems should be covered
 - The most important performance metrics will be indicated by real data