
AIDA test



FEB
2015

AIDA tests: February 2005

Installed DSSD 2977-7 and ^{207}Bi source. 3 modified Kapton cables.

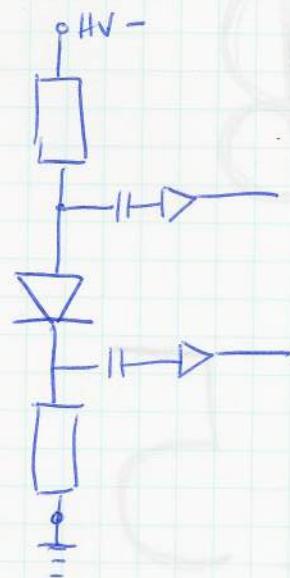
17/02/15

Jumper settings of adapter PCBs

-ve P+N strips to reverse bias diode
connected to pins J9 G/R (or J10 depending on side)
LNK/S not connected

the n+n sides have both LNK/S pins connected to ground $\xrightarrow{\text{bias}}$

Lk7/3 connect PCB ground to Kapton ground screen
→ connect on all active cards



2-30 fm Biasing detector to -100 V @ 11.6 mA

FEEs used: NNIDA #1 } p-side
NNIDA #6 }

NNIDA #3 } n
NNIDA #8 }

Set shaping time to 2 μs

slow comparator threshold 0x1F (p-side)
0x18 (n-side)

Filter width	NNIDA 1	$\rightarrow \sim 1000$ ch
	#6	\rightarrow very large
	#3	$\rightarrow 160$ ch
	#8	$\rightarrow \sim 3000$ ch

NNIDA #3 is much more quiet than the
3 other FEEs connected to the DSSD.

4pm: Started Tape Server and Merger

6pm Changed to caen N1619 floating HV supply

We couldn't use same configuration as in

DL: positive voltage through core to nn strips
braid (low V ref) to pn strips

leakage current tripped bias supply

We could bias the defector reversing
the polarity:

-100V to pn strips through cable core
ref voltage through cable braid to nn strips
jumpers in ground link for nn strips (as
jumper ~~current~~ used for grounded bias supply).
of $> 200 \mu A$ @ $\sim 5V$.

Leakage current 11.5 mA at 100V

nnaida 1 $\rightarrow \sim 800$ ch
6 $\rightarrow \sim 3000$ ch
3 $\rightarrow \sim 150$ ch
8 $\rightarrow \sim 2000$ ch

10am We noticed nnaida #3 was the only one
without a metallic shield in front of the
pins to FEE in PCB. We ~~removed~~ removed
the shielding plate for all ~~#~~ PCBs

width

NNAIDA #1 \rightarrow ~~~100~~ ch ≈ 30 to ~ 60 ch

NNAIDA #3 \rightarrow ~ 140 ch

NNAIDA #

NNAIDA #

Feb 19th

check status of system is same
config as yesterday; except for removing Cu braid
 → new bias levels
 → moved back to NNAIDA #3

	pulse width	rate / sec
NNAIDA #1:	~ 800 ch	
NNAIDA #3:	~ 110 ch	
NNAIDA #6:	~ 2300 ch	~5k / strip
NNAIDA #8:	~ 1200 ch ~ 950 ch	~5k / strip

Added again Cu-braided grounded, through
clamps attached to LEMO connectors
of FEE PCB adaptors.

	pulse width	rate / strip
NNAIDA #1 :	~ 600 ch	~50 - 100 Hz
NNAIDA #3 :	~ 120 ch	25 Hz
NNAIDA #6 :	~ 2100 ch	~6000 Hz
NNAIDA #8 :	~ 1000 ch to 800	~5-5K Hz
⇒ NO clear effect		non Gaussian peak.

10:47

Grounded nose to PCB of NNAIDA 7-8

	width	rate / strip
NNAIDA #1 :	~ 600 ch	~150 Hz
NNAIDA #3 :	~ 120 ch	25 Hz
NNAIDA #6 :	~ 2000 ch	7000 - 6000 Hz
NNAIDA #8 :	~ 1000 ch	6000 Hz

⇒ No clear change

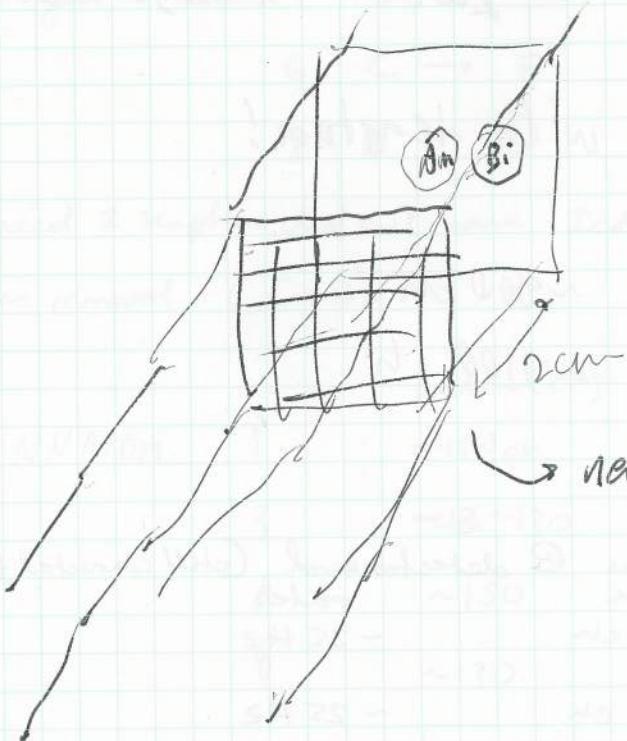
10:55 change of preamp Ref settings:

NNAIDA#8 preamp Ref 0x30 → 0x60
 NNAIDA#1 preamp Ref 0xb2 → 0x82

→ NO effect observed

We put back preamp reference to original settings.

11:30



→ new DSSD: 49A2720
 2977-20

biased to 100 V; 10.9 eA.

Pulse widths

pulse widths

NNAIDA	1	600 ns
NNAIDA	3	150 ns
NNAIDA	6	1300 ns
NNAIDA	8	700 ns

1:45 pm maiden cables
 Swapped FEEs for NNAIDA #3 & #8, ~~but~~ only
 from FEE side (i.e., still attached to
 detector).

	width	rate
NNAIDA 3	~700 ch	~300 Hz
NNAIDA 8	~200 ch	~30 Hz

So noise moved with Kapton!

For completeness

NNAIDA 1	~800 ch
NNAIDA 6	~1100 ch

14:35

Disconnected Kaptons @ detector end (still connected to FEEs)

	width	rate
nnaida 1	~250 ch	~25 Hz
nnaida 3	~120 ch	~25 Hz
nnaida 6	~160 ch	~25 Hz
nnaida 8	~120 ch	~25 Hz

Cable/nnaida combinations

- nnaida 1 → A
- 3 → B
- 6 → C
- 8 → D

Kapton B shows no α/β spectrum in nnaida 3 on channel 1.1.4, suggesting break cable for this channel

Break likely to be near PCB end as no effect seen from increased capacitance.

Waveforms in all nnaida look noise-free ~~and~~ as expected
 → nnaida possibly a bit noisier than rest.

15:20 Changed some of the kapton cables to check them
 kept nnaida 3 + kapton B combo.

Changed nnaida 1: A → E (not isolated)

6: C → F

8: D → G

Noticed 2 kaptions did not have "Isolated" label on them
 after removal (C+D).

NNAIDa		width (ch)	rate (Hz)
	1	~150 ch	~25
	3	~220 ~130	~25
	6	~150	~25
	8	~130	~25

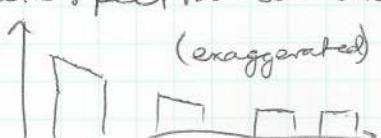
(with $\alpha + \beta$ sources)

15:45 Connected detector 2977-2φ up to FEEs with kaptions:
 nnaida 1 - E
 3 - B
 6 - F
 8 - G

(Bias/kept same)
 config
 -ve core → nnaida 6

nnaida	width (ch) ↑	rate (Hz)
1	~190 (1.2 @ ~500)	~60
3	~250 (1.1 @ ~500)	~60
6	~180 (1.1 @ ~500)	~40
8	~350	~100

Rate spectra look like:



Plausible physics-wise
 as α -source is in centre of detector so would expect inner strips to see higher rate than outers as α s won't get that far due to angles.

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16:44

Saving data to file in current configuration: ~~test~~

- A_m + B_i source
- replaced Nepton PCB
- Cu braid ground + nose ground

File /TapeData/Feb 2015/R1-x.gz

Better description in ELOG entry ID#

17:40

New run R3-0.gz

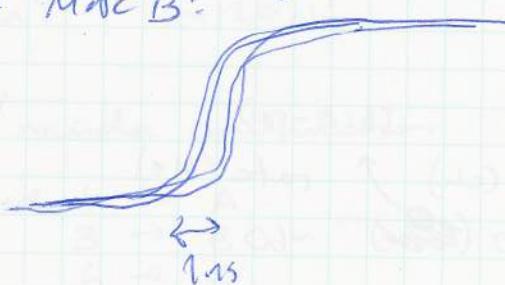
This is after giving the DRIVEN VME crate a pulser signal from our MM crate. They are on same mains supply, so the change should not affect the resolution of our system.

Feb 20

(10:00)

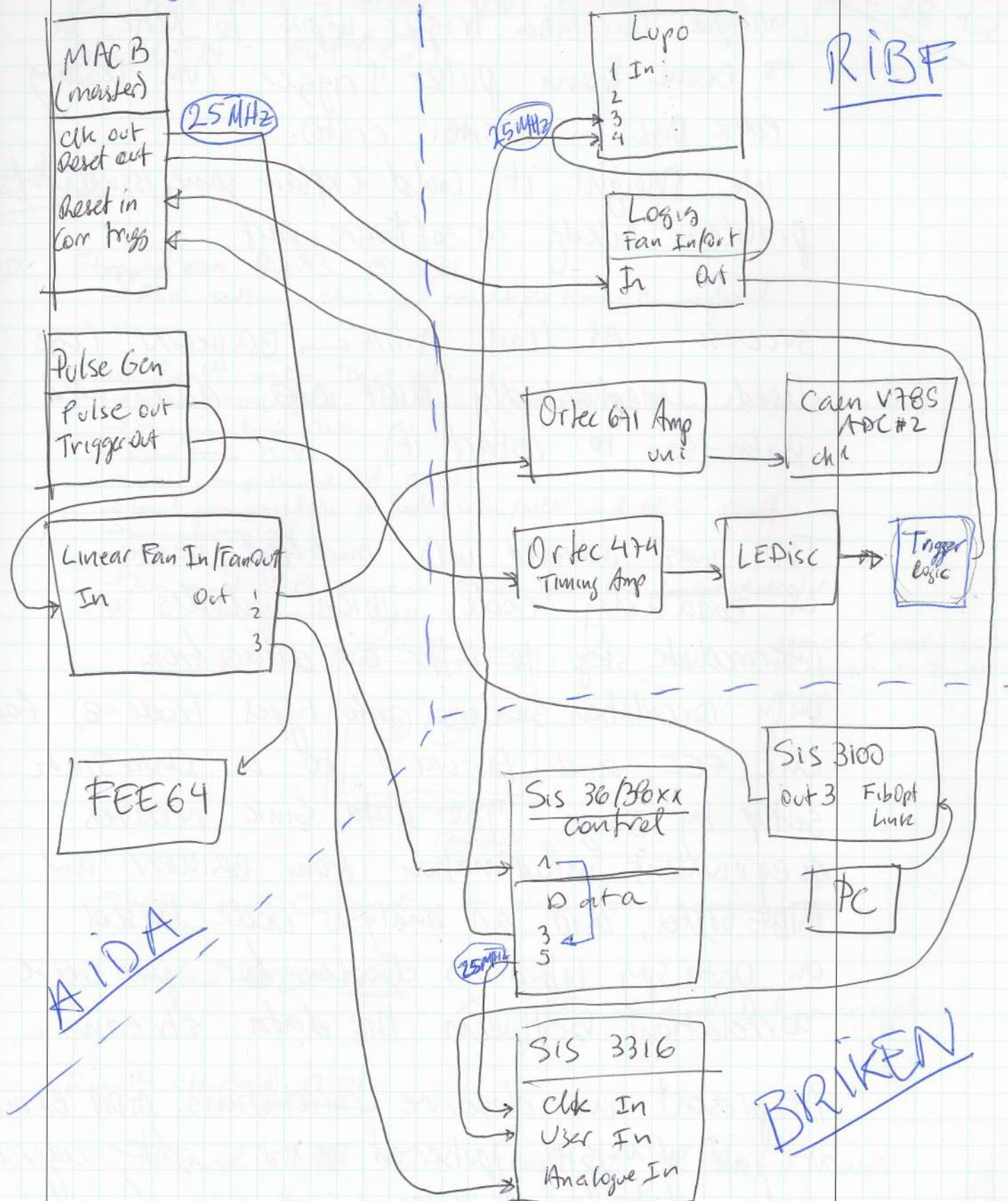
Put new MACB for AIDA + RIBF DQE test

We have $\sim 1\text{ns}$ jitter in 25 MHz clock from MACB:



~~to AS~~

Settings for DAQ correlation test



Sat Feb 21

changed correlation trigger input to MAC to come from pulser trigger (via leading edge Disc in WASABI crate).

We thought it could explain some issues, but problem likely in software part

success! At least AIDA \rightarrow BRINEN (we closed unadvertisedly RIBF DAQ, and need Baba-san to restart it)

This was achieved with modified version of Data Relay code, which includes an intermediate step to filter out data from only "correlation scalars" into types (code=8) for one FEE, and forward to a DataSink setup by Jorge. The Data Sink receives equivalent information from BRINEN and RIBF DAQ, and an analysis code based on Data Spy libraries looks for pair-wise correlations between the data streams.

At present we observe correlations AIDA:BRINEN at rate of $\sim 15\text{Hz}$ (pulser at 25Hz); after adjusting a few details of programs: rate of updating graphical output of correlation code; number of words included in buffer sent to data sink (now ~ 1 set of ~~100~~ correlation pulser

per buffer, similar to what is in
BRICKEN buffer).

Mon 23rd Feb

16:30 Stopped ~~on~~ Run 13 @ 16:31

→ ASIC settings changed multiple times throughout

Start Run 14 with "best settings".

→ bias -100V into maida6 (-ve core) and maida3 (low ref braid)

→ shaping time 0xb

→ hold time 0x8

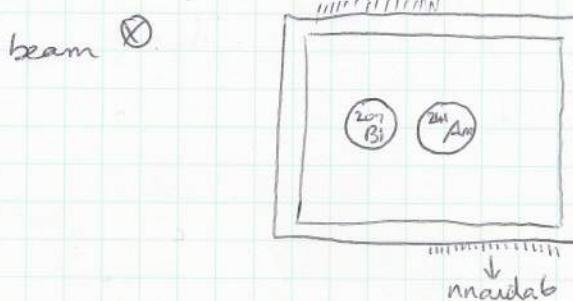
→ slow comp threshold 0x10

→ fast comparators for both LEC/MEC and HEC 0xff

→ waveforms off

→ 25 Hz pulser

→ ^{241}Am and ^{207}Bi sources ~2cm from the ~~doctor~~ detector
in configuration maida



maida5 noisy so set
to operate in the MEC
range

→ heavy duty Cu braiding on, nose ground hanging loose

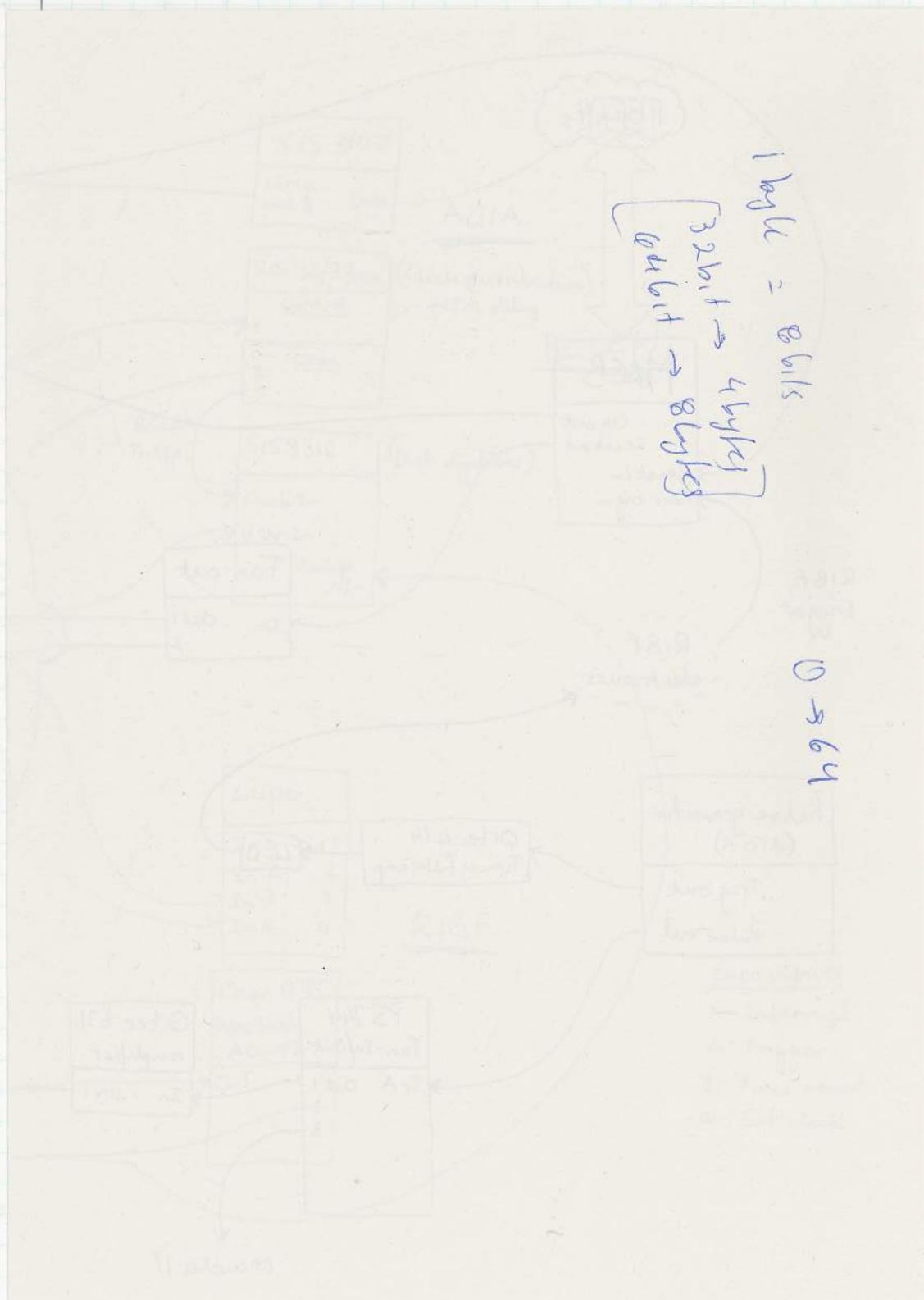
Run started 16:40

X FEEs crashed. Did power cycle

Run 14 started 17:01

Around 18:30 (end of R14-1) we
changed the correlation pulser to be
triggered externally by a pseudo-random
pulse (coincidence of a wave generator and an
Ortec 462 time calibrator). Pulser input *

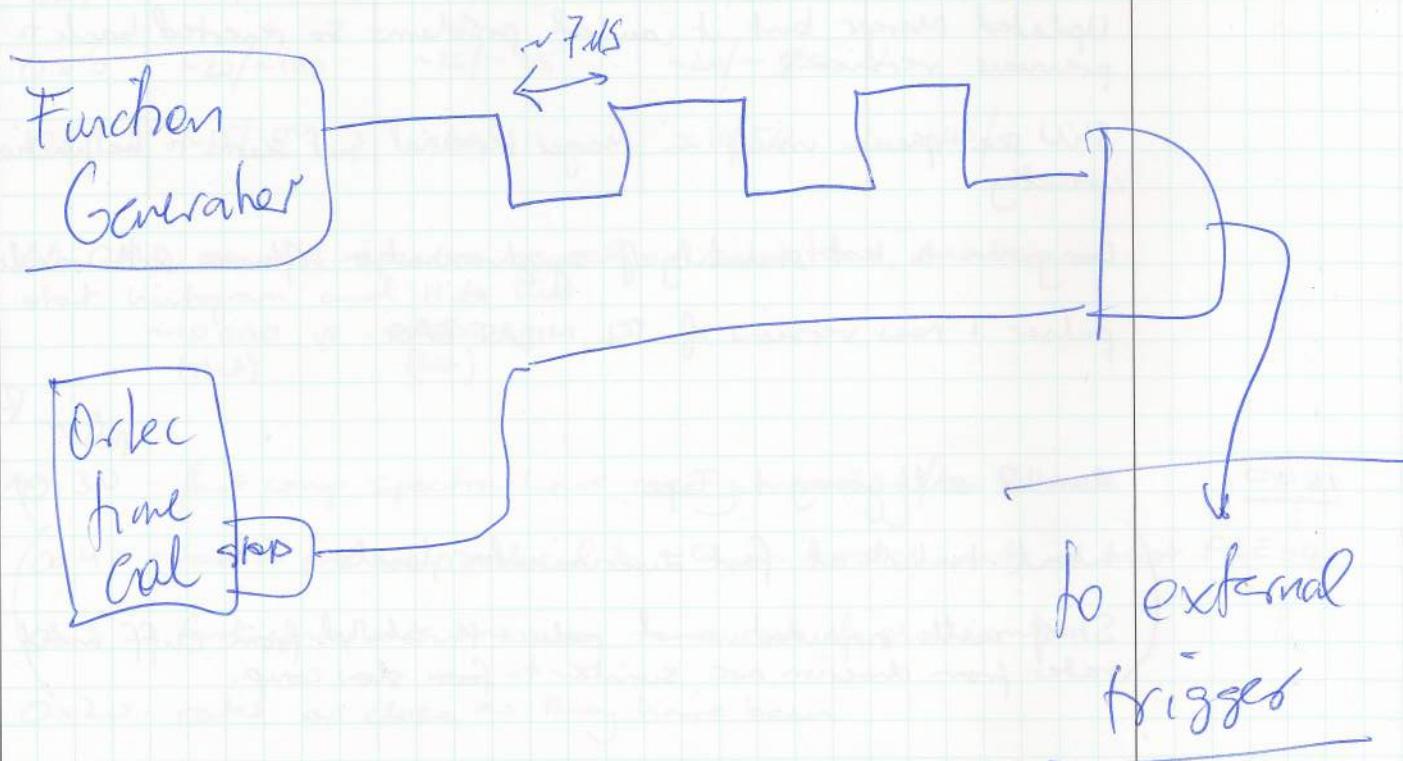
Signal flow diagram for AIDA + BELEN + RIBF
DAQ integration.



* (cont R14-2) ~~W~~

Pulser input was disconnected for a couple of minutes about 18:40

Now pulser triggered externally



R15-Q: 7:20pm. ~~removed~~

changed pulser trigger to only external
before a 25MHz internal trigger was still
enabled.
(R14-)

Correlations still work fine.

24/02/15

1200

Run 18 started with "best" settings

- bias -100V
- shaping time 0xb
- hold time 0x8
- fast comp thresholds 0xff
- slow comp threshold 0x10

$^{241}\text{Am} + ^{207}\text{Bi}$
sources in place
+ 25Hz pulser

New AIDA FEE64 firmware in mnaida1-16

New ~~new~~ version of TCL, MIDAS DAQ (AIDA exec).

Updated Merger but it caused problems so reverted back to previous version.

Still see queue issues in Merger terminal but seems to be functioning correctly.

Long run to test stability of synchronisation software with randomised pulser + new version of TCL, MIDAS DAQ.

1600

Run 18 still going to Tape.

Want to look at fast discriminator levels

Start with mnaida1 and reduce threshold from 0xff until rates from discrim are similar to from slow comp.

WT in RIB*
RIB just has random pulser and TCL + MIDAS updates running to test stability

16:01

Closed RIB - MNAIDA

We'll do a pulser walkthrough before scanning fast comparator thresholds.

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Run 19 has 1st pulser walkthrough

- non-linear in some mnaida, possibly due to loading issues caused by the input to the sum/invert being connected to FAN IN/OUT by T-piece
- will try again in the morning after removing T-piece and having connection to sum/invert from pulser as sole input
- if that doesn't help, will connect pulser def directly to the p+n and n+n strips separately, changing polarity of pulser.

1645

Run 20 ~~fast changed~~

Changing fast discrimin to try get same rates as from slow comp

fast comp nraida	Rate (fast/slow) [s ⁻¹]			
	nraida 1	nraida 3	nraida 6	nraida 8
0xff	0/~100	0/~100	0/~100	0/~200
0xf	~30/~100	~35/~80	~25/~125	~30/~125
0xb	~20/~100	~25/~75	~20/~80	
0x9	~25/100	~40/60	~10/50	~40/

At 0x20, set with spectra zeroed at same time, number in stat histogram and Hit list
 ~ 10000 vs ~ 4000
 (stat) (hit)

0x30 - fast comp spectra have many missing / low rate ch

0x40 - rate in fast comp reduced to ~0 in most channels in most FEE64s

0x5 - fast comp rate now may in excess of slow comp

0x20 - rates as close as they have been

Will set at 0x20 and run some data to disc for offline analysis.

Run 20 ended @ 17:36

Run 21 started @ 17:38

fast comp threshold @ 0x20 for LEC/MEC

Stopped 19:08

25/02/15

15:00

Swapped power switcher to replace old green one

Put one in and RPi couldn't connect to it, could not find /dev/ttyUSB0

Tried many permutations of USB0/1/2 etc with various permissions
and putty windows, no luck.

Tried with alternative new one, worked just fine.

See today's log entry for error messages.

Cannot connect to Rly16 window from B3F, just @ RPi.

2nd pulser walkthrough to tape.

Same "best" settings as yesterday @ 12:00.

~~Run 21 started 15:06~~

Run 22 started 15:10.

~2mins @ each value on potentiometer.

Run 22 stopped 15:40.

3:47

Reference values of resolution with -100V as supply

NNADA#	WIDTH	NNADA#	WIDTH
3.1.8	150	6.1.8	138*
1.1.9	144	6.1.9	160
1.1.10	170	6.1.10	157
1.1.11	133	6.1.11	194*
3.1.8	185	8.1.8	236
3.1.9	185	8.1.9	235
3.1.10	190	8.1.10	238
3.1.11	186	8.1.11	246

~~and gain is not very linear.~~

- changed polarity of CATEN HV supply to positive
- Now apply +100V to NNIDA 6 (rest of lens to NNIDA 3)
- moved jumpers in link 145 of NNIDA 3,8 to link 1,5 of NNIDA 1,6
- Brasard DSSD: +100 V, 11.5 mA leakage current (det 2977-20)

NNIDA #	width	NNIDA #	width
1.1.8	148	6.1.8	158
1.1.9	146	6.1.9	164
1.1.10	155	6.1.10	169
1.1.11	156	6.1.11	175
3.1.8	162	8.1.8	241
3.1.9	181	8.1.9	233
3.1.10	203	8.1.10	236
3.1.11	190	8.1.11	243

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FOR DAQ SYNCHRONIZATION
TEST

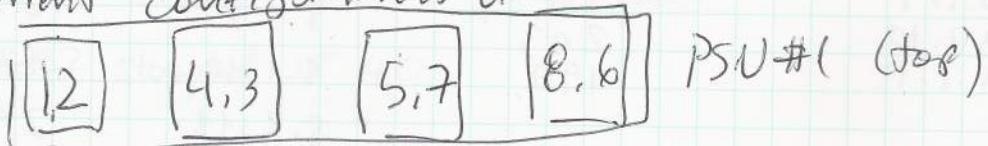
pc name : briken1 (10.32.6.54)
user : daq
password : Briken Test15

see ~~BERTAS~~

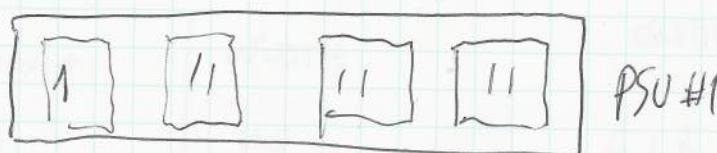
See BRILKEN log entry #6 for how to
run SyncCheck

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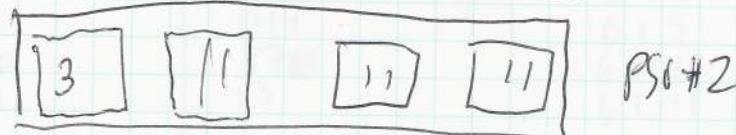
Current configurations of NIMDA power supply



changed to



all others
still connected



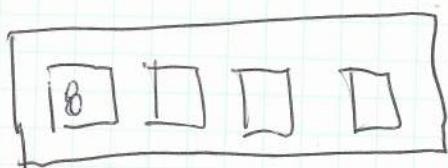
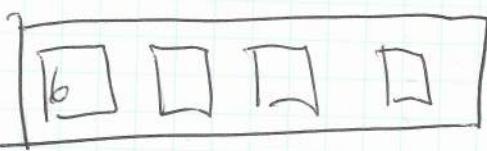
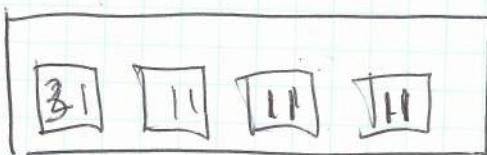
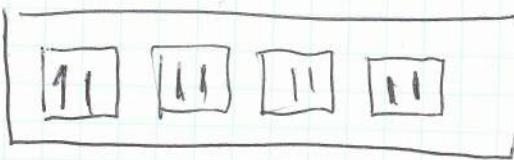
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With all 32 NNA modules the current in USB power relay was too large and a fuse went off. We had all 4 PSUs powered from same side of power relay.

Polser width with new configuration

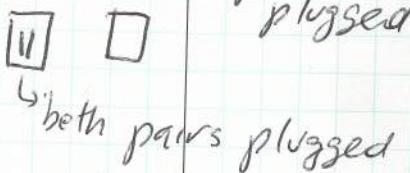
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1.1.8	145	140	6.1.8	231
1.1.9	149	140	6.1.9	284
1.1.10	156	164	6.1.10	295
1.1.11	160	164	6.1.11	324
3.1.8	216	141	8.1.8	341
3.1.9	216	166	8.1.9	362
3.1.10	230	180	8.1.10	377
3.1.11	224	182	8.1.11	414
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New config: remove 14 unused FEE64 from PSUs (empty boxes in diagram), keep power for NNA#1-16, and the two that replaced NNA#16 and NNA#17 in PSU#1, #3.



} only NNA#1-8 & NNA#18

↗ No pair plugged



↳ both pairs plugged

R23

18:25 pm: polser with configuration of FEE64 power supply after also removing 14 of the FEE64 cards not used.