CRT Front-end-board

The Front-End-Board is a custom design developed by Igor Kreslo, University of BERN, for the readout of SiPMs used in the SBND/MicroBooNE CRT Systems. The board is commercialized and maintained by CAEN

CAEN A1702 "32 Channel Silicon Photomultipliers Readout Front-End Board"

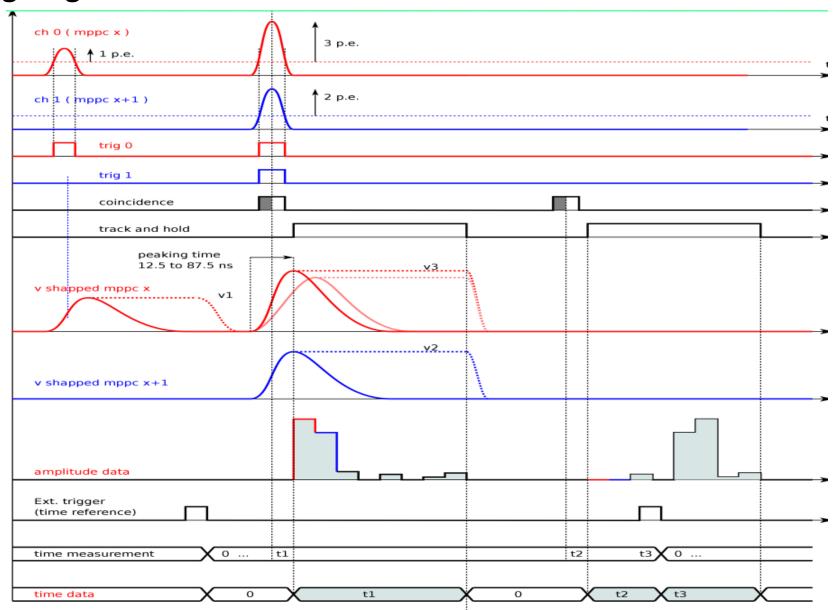


The same FEB will be used in the Far Detector of Side and Top CRT systems with some changes on the firmware.

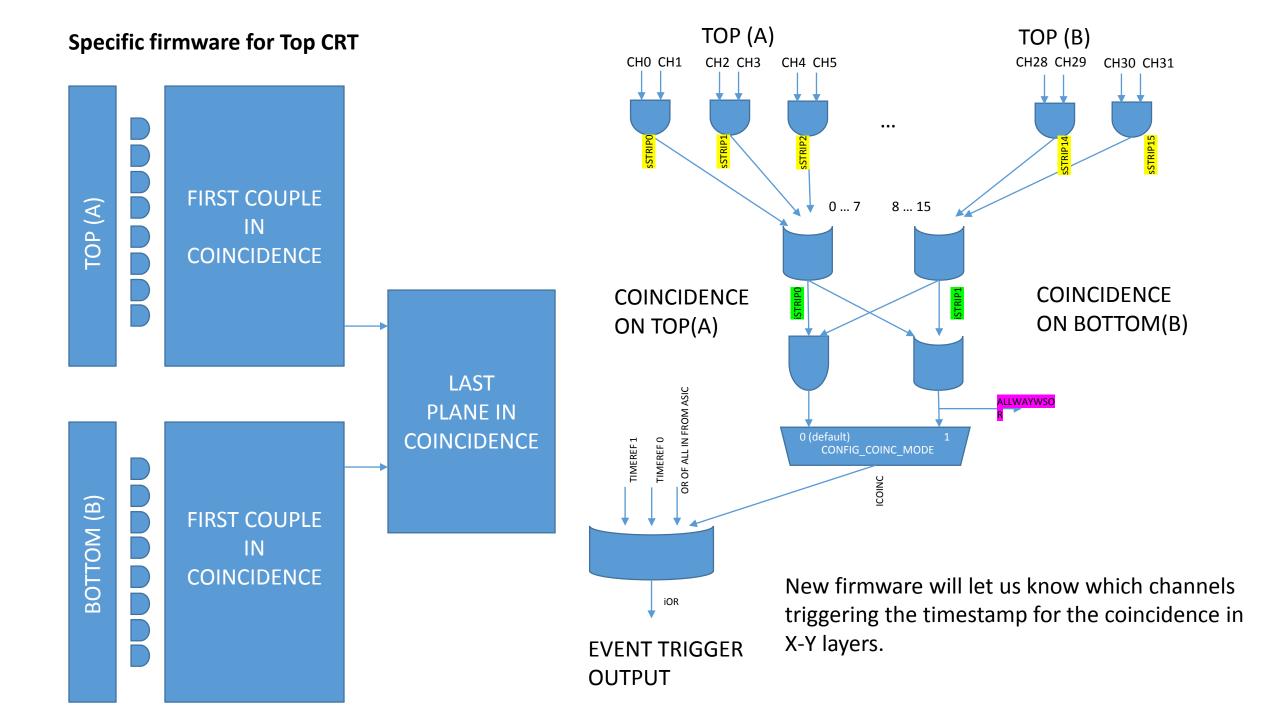
The main functionalities of the board are reported below (from CAEN DataSheets):

- Provides bias voltage in the range of 20-90 V, individually adjustable for each channel;
- Amplification and shaping of the SiPM output pulse;
- Discrimination of shaped signal at configurable level from 0 to 50 photo-electrons;
- Energy and time measurements;
- Provides basic coincidence of signals from each pair of adjacent even-odd channels;
- Multiple boards event validation using an external signal;
- LEMO I/O for time reference and control signals;
- Data buffering;
- Efficient back-end communication based on Ethernet standard;
- Daisy chain of up to 256 boards into one network interface;

FEB timing diagram



Igor Kreslo, 2015



Additional upgrade is ongoing in CAEN to add the remote programming features.

It will allow the firmware upgrade through Ethernet link.

8 FEBs are modified and upgraded to the latest firmware.

Tests of the first sample is ongoing in Bologna.

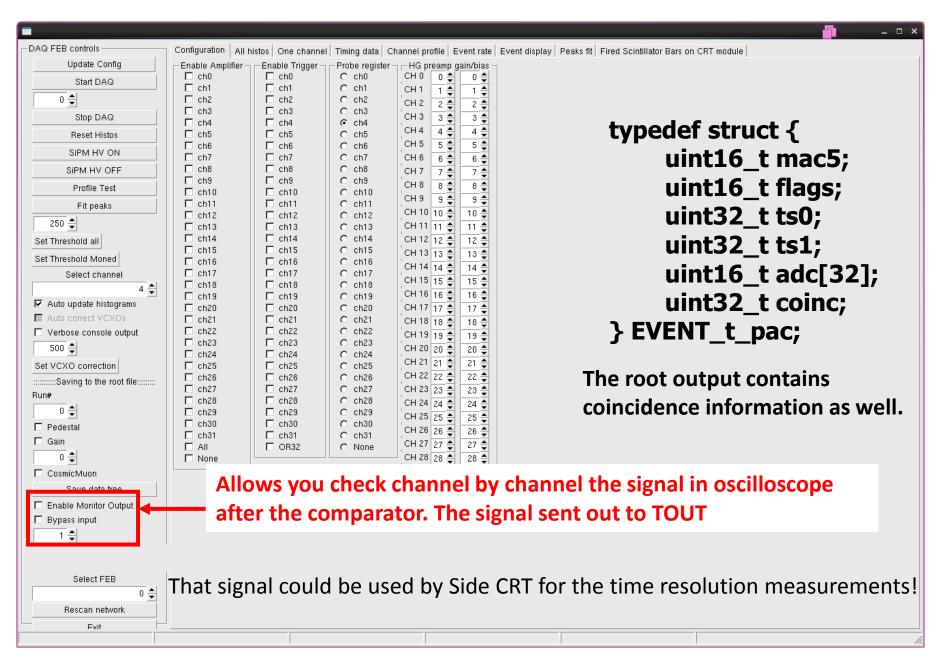
Thanks to Igor for providing us febdrv DAQ software: https://github.com/kreslo/febdrv
In the Top CRT data output, we are going to have also an information of the coincidence on ZMQ data backend structure.

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typedef struct {
      uint16_t mac5;
      uint16_t flags;
      uint16_t lostcpu;
      uint16_t lostfpga;
      uint32_t ts0;
      uint32_t ts1;
      uint16_t adc[32];
} EVENT_t;
#define EVLEN 80
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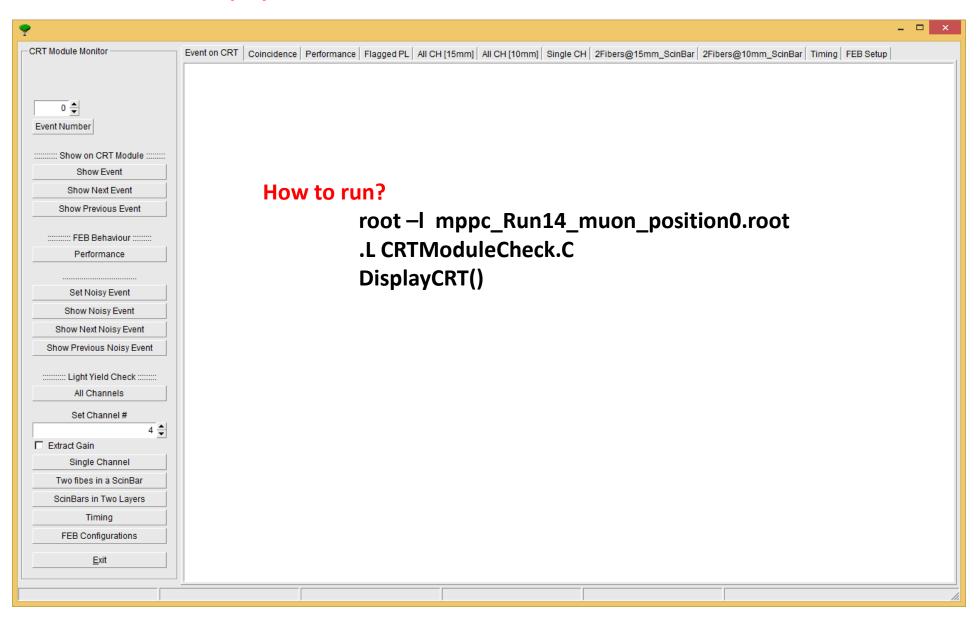
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     uint32_t adc[32];
     uint32_t coinc;
} EVENT_t;
#define EVLEN 84
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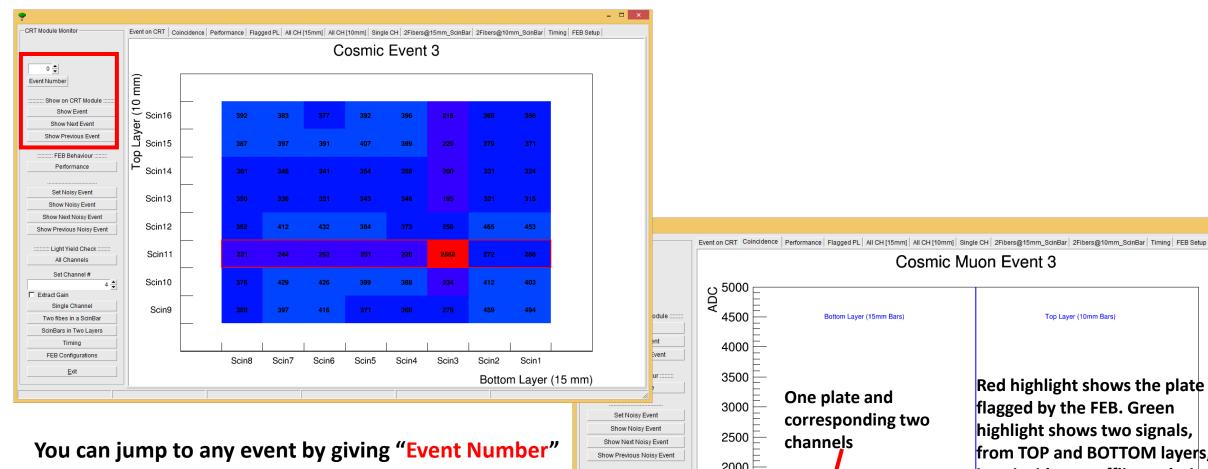
Test with multiFEB done!
Binary files converted to root
Format allowing us to use
CRT module monitor display!

Standalone DAQ contains one more features



First version of CRT Monitor Display for test stand





..... Light Yield Check :::: All Channels

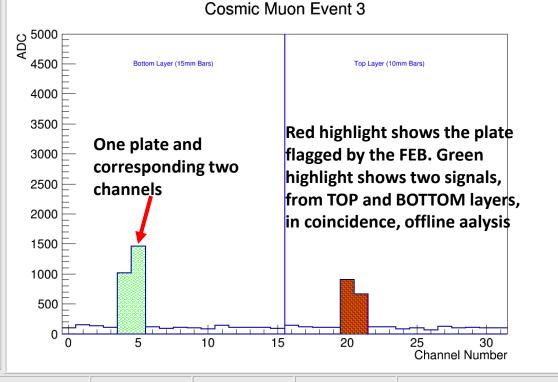
Set Channel #

Single Channel Two fibes in a ScinBar

ScinBars in Two Lavers

FEB Configurations

then click on "Show Event". It will create two plots one on tab "Event on CRT" and other on "Coincidence" tab. You can also go to previous and next event using the buttons of "Show Next Event" and "Show Previous Event" respectively.



Muon hits on CRT Module

