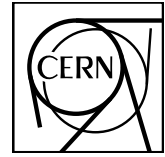


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Abstract

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This document describes the EMCAL, it's offline geometry, the software to run a simulation or reconstruct data, the strategy to control the quality of the data, the trigger code and the analysis format.

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85 1 Introduction

86 This document is addressed to those who want to work with the EMCal software. It explains
87 the different steps to have the data taken ready to be analyzed. It is divided in 2 blocks: a first
88 one with the description of the procedures needed to cook the data and a second one with the
89 reconstruction and simulation offline code.

90 For a fast introduction on the code and how it works you can have a look to the EMCal for
91 beginners guide [1]. Some other interesting references are the AliRoot primer [3], the offline
92 AliRoot page [2], and the installation page from Dario Berzano [5].

93 1.1 Mechanical description of the EMCAL - Federico

94 The chosen technology is a layered Pb-scintillator sampling calorimeter with a longitudinal pitch
95 of 1.44 mm Pb and 1.76 mm scintillator with longitudinal Wavelength Shifting Fiber (WLS) light
96 collection. The full detector spans $\eta = -0.7$ to $\eta = 0.7$ with an azimuthal acceptance of $\Delta\phi = 107^\circ$
97 and is segmented into 12,288 towers, each of which is approximately projective in η and ϕ to
98 the interaction vertex. The towers are grouped into super modules of two types: full size which
99 span $\Delta\phi = 20^\circ$ and 1/3 size which span $\Delta\phi = 6.67^\circ$. There are 10 full size and 2, 1/3-size super
100 modules in the full detector acceptance (Fig. 1).

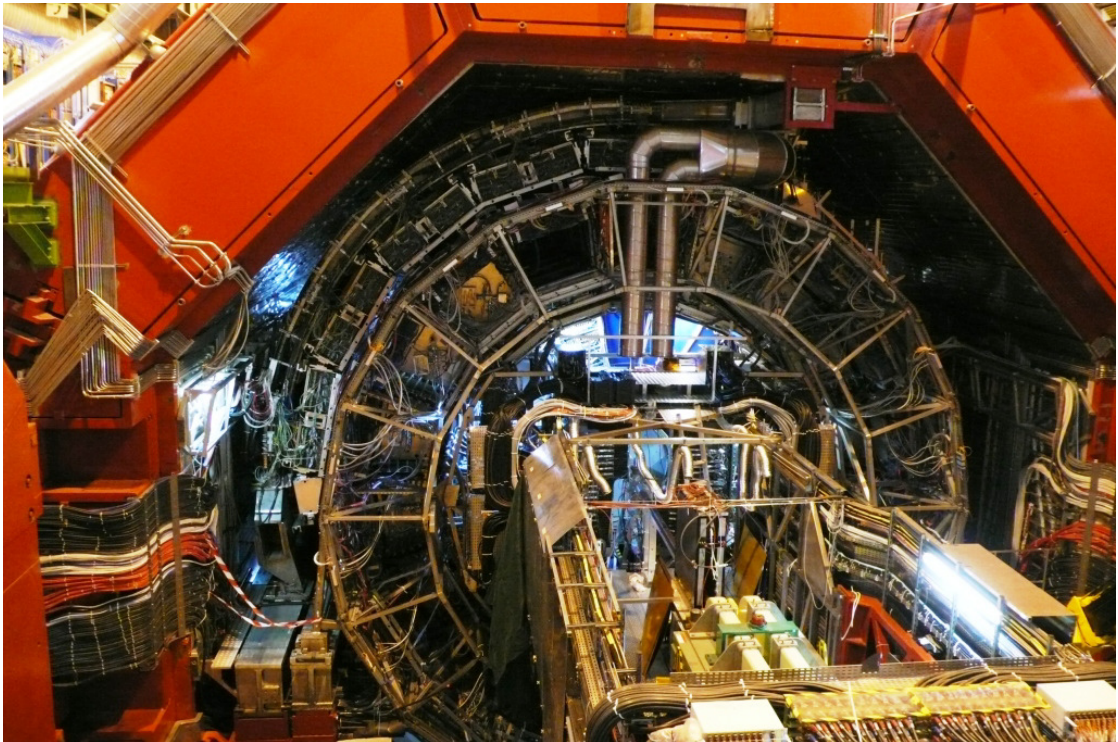


Fig. 1: Azimuthal view from the A-side (opposite to the di-muon arm) of the full EMCal as installed into the ALICE detector. The two 1/3-size super-modules are visible at 9 o'clock position.

101 The super module is the basic structural units of the calorimeter. These are the units handled as
102 the detector is moved below ground and rigged during installation.

103 Fig. 2 shows a full size super module with 12×24 modules configured as 24 strip modules of
104 12 modules each. The supporting mechanical structure of the super module hides the stacking
105 into a nearly projective geometry which can be inferred by the different tilt of the strip modules
106 going from the left to the right part of the picture. The electronics integration pathways are also
107 visible. Each full size super module is assembled from $12 \times 24 = 288$ modules arranged in 24
108 strip modules of 12 modules each.



Fig. 2: View of one EMCal super-module during the installation into the ALICE detector. The cradle holds the 24 strip modules into a mechanically rigid unit. Each strip module holds 12 unit modules. On the right side the two electronics crates are visible.

109 Each module has a rectangular cross section in the ϕ direction and a trapezoidal cross section
110 in the η direction with a full taper of 1.5° . The resultant assembly of stacked strip modules is
111 approximately projective with an average angle of incidence of less than 2° in η and less than 5°
112 in ϕ . An assembled strip module is shown in Fig. 3.

113 The smallest building block of the calorimeter is the individual module illustrated in Fig. 4 Each
114 individual module contains $2 \times 2 = 4$ towers built up from 77 alternating layers of 1.44 mm Pb
115 and 1.76 mm polystyrene, injection molded scintillator. White, acid free, bond paper serves as
116 a diffuse reflector on the scintillator surfaces while the scintillator edges are treated with TiO₂



Fig. 3: View of a fully assembled strip module. The photo shows the APD+CSP package and copper shielding mounted light guide fixture. On the right part of the photo the LED UV optical fiber distribution system is visible. Each strip module, is cabled via 3 T-Cards visible in the center of the assembly.

117 loaded reflector to provide tower to tower optical isolation and improve the transverse optical
 118 uniformity within a single tower. The Pb-scintillator stack in a module is secured in place by the
 119 static friction between individual layers under the overall load of 350 kg. The module is closed
 120 by a skin of 150 μm thick stainless steel screwed by flanges on all four transverse surfaces to
 121 corresponding front and rear aluminum plates. This thin stainless skin is the only inert material
 122 between the active tower volumes. The internal pressure in the module is stabilized against
 123 thermal effects, mechanical relaxation and long term flow of the Pb and/or polystyrene by a
 124 customized array of 5 non-linear spring sets (Bellville washers) per module. In this way, each
 125 module is a self supporting unit with a stable mechanical lifetime of more than 20 years when
 126 held from its back surface in any orientation as when mounted in a strip module.

127 All modules in the calorimeter are mechanically and dimensionally identical. The front face
 128 dimensions of the towers are $6 \times 6 \text{ cm}^2$ resulting in individual tower acceptance of $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi =$
 129 0.014×0.014 at $\eta=0$. The EMCal design incorporates a moderate detector average active vol-
 130 ume density of 5.68 g/cm^3 which results from a 1:1.22 Pb to scintillator ratio by volume. This
 131 results in a compact detector consistent with the EMCal integration volume at the chosen detec-
 132 tor thickness of 20.1 radiation lengths.

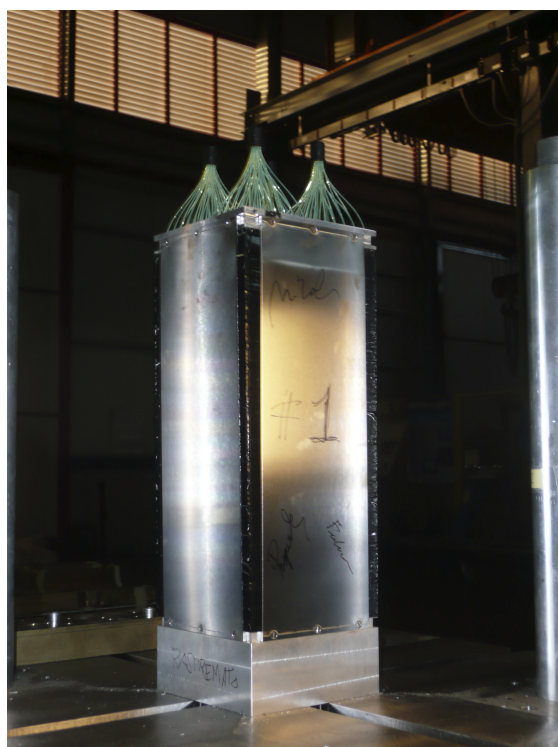


Fig. 4: The first 1.5° tapered module of the EMCal generation II prototype produced in EU shown. The module's internal compression is maintained by a set of 5 Bellville washers (non linear springs) acting between the top and bottom containment Al plates to prevent the delamination of the internal Pb-scintillator sandwich.

133 As described above, the super module is the basic building block of the calorimeter. Starting
134 with 288 individual modules which are rather compact and heavy, the main engineering task is
135 to create a super module structure which is rigid, with small deflections in any orientation yet
136 does not require extensive, heavy external stiffening components that would reduce the volume
137 available for the active detector. The solution adopted for the ALICE EMCal is to develop
138 a super module crate which functions not as a box for the individual modules but rather an
139 integrated structure in which the individual elements contribute to the overall stiffness. The
140 super module crate is effectively a large I-beam in which the flanges are the long sides of the
141 crate and the 24 rows of strip modules together. This configuration gives to the super module
142 good stiffness for both the 9 o'clock and 10 o'clock locations. For the 12 o'clock location, the
143 I-beam structure of the super module is augmented by a 1 mm thick stainless steel forward sheet
144 (traction loaded), which controls the bending moment tending to open the crate main sides, and
145 helps to limit deflection of strip modules. Ridges are provided on the interior surfaces of the crate
146 to allow precision alignment of the strip modules at the correct angle. The stiffness given by this
147 I-beam concept allows the use of non-magnetic light alloys for main parts of the super module
148 crate. Parts of the super module crate will be made mainly from laminated 2024 aluminum alloy

149 plates. The two main sides (flanges of the I-beam) of the crate will be assembled from 2 plates,
150 25 mm and 25 mm thick, bolted together and arranged so as to approximately follow the taper
151 of the 20 degree sector boundary. Each of the 24 rows of a super module contain 12 modules
152 as described above. Each of the modules is attached to a transverse beam by 3.4 mm diameter
153 stainless steel screws. The 12 modules and the transverse beam form a strip module. The strip
154 module is 1440 mm long, 120 mm wide, 410 mm thick. The total weight of the strip module is
155 approximately 300 kg and like module, it is a self supporting unit. The transverse beam, which is
156 the structural part of the strip module, is made from cast aluminum alloy with individual cavities
157 along its length where the fibers emerging from towers are allowed to converge. The casting
158 process is well suited to forming these cavities and the overall structure, saving considerable
159 raw material and machining time.

160 In addition to functioning as a convenient structural unit which offers no interference with the
161 active volume of the detector and forming the web of the I-beam structure of the super module,
162 the transverse beam of the strip module provides protection for the fibers, a structural mount
163 for the light guide, APD and charge sensitive preamplifier and a light tight enclosure for these
164 elements.

165 **1.2 Functional description of the EMCAL - Terry**

166 **** need some additional info on PE APDs *****

167 Particles traversing the calorimeter, in particular photons and electrons, will deposit energy in
168 different towers. The EMCAL reconstruction measures such energy per tower, forms clusters of
169 cells produced by a given particle, and if possible matches them with particles detected by the
170 tracking detectors in front of EMCAL (charged particles).

171 Scintillation photons produced in each tower are captured by an array of 36 Kuraray, Y-11,
172 double clad, WLS fibers that run longitudinally through the Pb/scintillator stack. Each fiber
173 terminates in an aluminized mirror at the front face end of the module and is integrated into
174 a polished, circular group of 36 at the photo sensor end at the back of the module. The fiber
175 bundles are pre-fabricated and inserted into the towers after the module mechanical assembly
176 is completed. The 36 individual fibers are packed into a circular array 6.8 mm in diameter and
177 held in place inside a custom injection molded grommet by Bicon BC-600 optical cement. An
178 optical quality finish is applied to the assembled bundle using a diamond polishing machine. At
179 the other end of the bundle, individual fibers are similarly polished and mirrored with a sputtered
180 coat of aluminum thick enough to ensure the protection of the inner mirror. The response of the
181 Al-coated fiber is considerably flatter with an overall increase in efficiency in the range of about
182 25% in the vicinity of shower maximum (i.e. the location of the highest energy deposition for
183 an electromagnetic shower). This number accounts for material immediately in front of the
184 detector; which ranges between 0.4 and 0.8 radiation lengths, and assumes 5.5 - 6.0 radiation
185 lengths for shower maximum for 10 GeV photons. At this depth in the detector, the mirrored
186 fiber response is very uniform does not contribute to the non-linearity of the detector as a whole.

187 Other factors which can significantly impact the electromagnetic performance of the calorime-
188 ter, include scintillator edge treatment and the density of the wavelength shifting fiber readout

189 pattern and the material chosen for the interlayer diffuse reflector. For scintillator edge treatment
190 and fiber density, advantage was taken from the extensive studies made by the LHCb collabora-
191 tion for their ECAL. In particular, a diffuse reflector edge treatment was adopted, such as that
192 obtained with Bicron Titanium Dioxide loaded white paint (BC622A) with a total fiber density
193 of about one fiber per cm^2 . In the case of the interlayer diffuse reflector, a white, acid free, bond
194 paper was used in place of the Teflon based commercial TYVEK. While TYVEK produces
195 slightly better surface reflectivity, its coefficient of friction is too low to permit its use in this
196 design where the module's mechanical stability depends somewhat on the interlayer friction.

197 The 6.8 mm diameter fiber bundle from a given tower connects to the APD through a short light
198 guide/diffuser with a square cross section of 7 mm \times 7 mm that tapers slowly down to 4.5 mm
199 \times 4.5 mm as it mates (glued) to the 5 mm \times 5 mm active area of the photo sensor. The 4
200 pre-fabricated fiber bundles are inserted into the towers of a single module.

201 The selected photo sensor is the Hamamatsu S8664-55 Avalanche Photo Diode *****

202 This photodiode has a peak spectral response at a wavelength of 585 nm compared to an emission
203 peak of 476 nm for the Y-11 fibers. However, both the spectral response and the quantum
204 efficiency of the APD are quite broad with the latter dropping from the maximum by only 5%
205 at the WLS fiber emission peak. At this wavelength, the manufacturer's specification gives a
206 quantum efficiency of 80%.

207 **2 EMCAL geometry software - Marco +++**

208 This page is intended for a description of the EMCAL geometry and the methods to access it.
209 *This is a very preliminary version that needs work.*

210 **2.1 Classes description**

211 The EMCAL geometry is implemented in several classes : (right now very brief description, it
212 should be completed)

- 213 – AliEMCALGeoUtils: Steering geometry class. No dependencies on STEER or EMCAL
214 non geometry classes. Can be called during the analysis without loading all aliroot classes.
- 215 – AliEMCALGeometry: Derives from AliEMCALGeoUtils, contains dependencies on other
216 EMCAL classes (AliEMCALRecPoint).
- 217 – AliEMCALEMCGeometry: Does the geometry initialization. Does all the definitions of
218 the geometry (towers composition, size, Super Modules number ...)
- 219 – AliEMCALGeoParams: Class container of some of the geometry parameters so that it can
220 be accessed everywhere in the EMCAL code, to avoid "magic numbers". Its use has to be
221 propagated to all the code.
- 222 – AliEMCALShishKebabTrd1Module: Here the modules are defined and the position of
223 the modules in the local super module reference system is calculated

224 **2.2 Accessing the geometry**

225 One can get the geometry pointer in the following ways:

- 226 – If galice.root is available:

```
227 1 AliRunLoader *rl = AliRunLoader::Open("galice.root",AliConfig::
    GetDefaultEventFolderName(),"read");
2 rl->LoadgAlice();//Needed to get geometry
3 AliEMCALLoader *emcalLoader = dynamic\_cast<AliEMCALLoader*>(rl->
    GetDetectorLoader("EMCAL"));
4 AliRun * alirun = rl->GetAliRun();
5 AliEMCAL * emcal = (AliEMCAL*)alirun->GetDetector("EMCAL"); AliEMCALGeometry
    * geom = emcal->GetGeometry();
6 else, if galice.root is not available:
7 AliEMCALGeometry * geom = AliEMCALGeometry::GetInstance("EMCAL\_COMPLETE") ;
```

228

229 In this case you might need the file geometry.root if you want to access to certain methods
230 that require local to global position transformations. This file can be generated doing a simple
231 simulation, it just contains the transformation matrix to go from global to local.

232 The way to load this file is:

```
233 TGeoManager::Import("geometry.root");
```

234 The transformation matrices are also stored in the ESDs so if you do not load this file, you can
235 have to load these matrices from the ESDs.

236 If you want to see different parameters used in the geometry printed (cells centers, distance to
237 IP, etc), one just has to execute the method PrintGeometry().

238 2.3 Geometry configuration options

239 Right now the following geometry options are implemented:

- 240 – EMCAL_COMPLETE: 12 Super Modules (2 half Super Modules)
- 241 – EMCAL_FIRSTYEAR: 4 Super Modules (year 2010)
- 242 – EMCAL_FIRSTYEARV1: 4 Super Modules, corrected geometry (year 2010)
- 243 – EMCAL_COMPLETEV1: 10 Super Modules, corrected geometry (year 2011)
- 244 – EMCAL_COMPLETE12SMV1: 12 Super Modules (10+2/3), corrected geometry (year
245 2012)

246 Other options exists but need to be removed as they **should not be used**:

- 247 – EMCAL_PDC06: Old geometry, for reading old data (which do not exist anymore).
- 248 – EMCAL_WSU: Prototype geometry.

249 By default, the geometry is loaded with the EMCAL_COMPLETE12SMV1 configuration.

250 2.4 Mapping

251 The tower row/column mapping online and offline follows the alice numbering convention. Fig-
252 ures 5 to 7 display the position of the super modules from different points of view and the
253 position of the tower index in them.

254 2.5 Tower index transformation methods

255 2.5.1 Absolute tower ID to Row/Column index

256 Each EMCAL supermodule is composed of 24x48 towers (phi,eta), grouped in 4x4 modules.
257 Each tower (even each module) has a unique number assigned, called in the code "absolute
258 ID" number (absId). This number can be transformed into a row (phi direction) or column (eta
259 direction) index. The procedure to go from the absId to the (row, col) formulation or viceversa
260 is as follow:

2 x(5+1/3) SM's

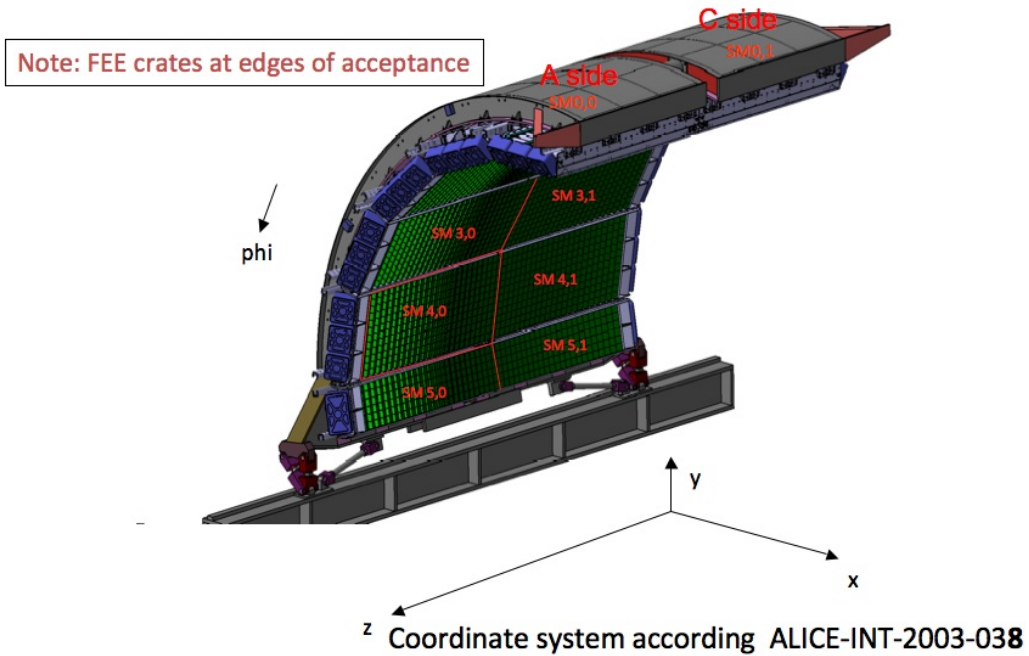


Fig. 5: Position of the super modules

261 – From absId to col-row:

```

1  Int_t nSupMod, nModule, nIphi, nIeta, iphi, ieta;
2  //Check if this absId exists
3  if(!CheckAbsCellId(absId)) return kFALSE;
4  // Get from the absId the super module number, the module number and the eta-phi index
   (0 or 1) in the module
262 5  GetCellIndex(absId, nSupMod, nModule, nIphi, nIeta);
6  // Get from the the super module number, the module number and the eta-phi index (0
   or 1) in the module the tower row (iphi) and column (ieta)
7  GetCellPhiEtaIndexInSModule(nSupMod, nModule, nIphi, nIeta, iphi, ieta);

```

263

264 – From col-row to absId, following the same notation as above:

```

1
265 2  absid = GetAbsCellIdFromCellIndexes(nSupMode, iphi, ieta);

```

EMCAL, seen from back/magnet side – looking towards IP through EMCAL from the top of the CalFrame. 4 installed SuperModules; sector 0 is the top/highest sector. Standard view. Row as Y-axis, and Column as X-axis (LED amplitude plots).

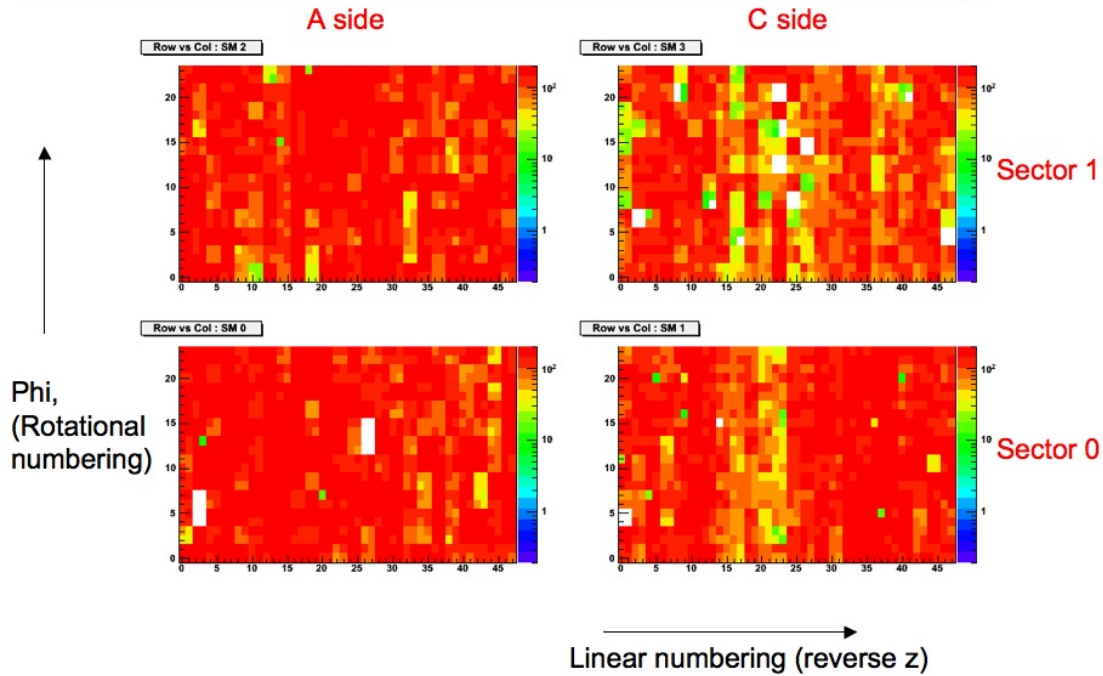


Fig. 6: EMCAL seen from the magnet side with 4 SMs.

266

267 OR

```

268 1
269 2 absid = GetAbsCellId(nSupMod, nModule, nIphi, nIeta);

```

269

270 – Other interesting method is

```

271 1
272 2 Int\ _t GetSuperModuleNumber(Int\ _t absId)

```

272

EMCAL, seen from back/magnet side – looking towards IP through EMCAL from the bottom (alternative view) of the CalFrame.

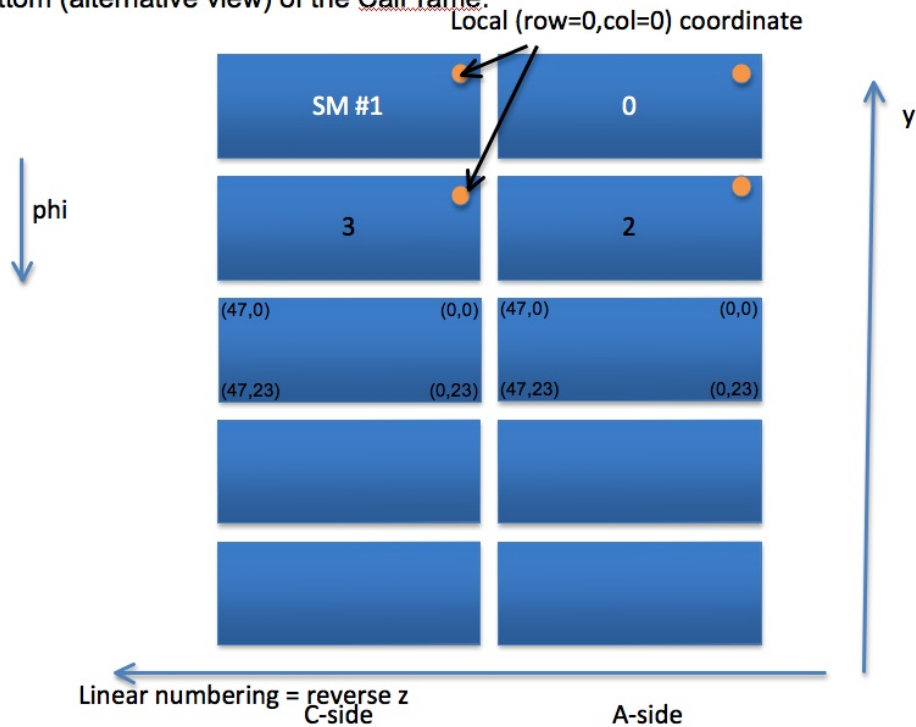


Fig. 7: EMCAL geometrical numbering.

273 2.6 Tower index to local / global reference system position

274 2.6.1 Local coordinates

275 To correlate the tower index and its position in local coordinates, the following methods are
276 available:

```

1  Bool_t AliEMCALGeoUtils::RelPosCellInSModule(Int_t absId, Double_t &xr,
      Double_t &yr, Double_t &zr) const;
2
3  Bool_t AliEMCALGeoUtils::RelPosCellInSModule(Int_t absId, Double_t loc[3])
277  const;
4
5  Bool_t AliEMCALGeoUtils::RelPosCellInSModule(Int_t absId, TVector3 &vloc)
      const;

```

278

279 To which the input is the absId and the output are the coordinates of the center of towers in the

280 local coordinates of the Super Module. This method gets the column and row index of the cell
281 from the absId, independently of the Super Module (like above), and gets the center of the cell
282 from 3 arrays (x,y,z) filled with such quantities. Such central positions are calculated during the
283 initialization of the geometry, where the arrays are filled, in the method :

```
1  
284 2  AliEMCALGeoUtils::CreateListOfTrd1Modules()
```

285

286 «««Someone else should explain how it works»»»

287 In case we calculate the cluster position, things are a bit different.

288 ««« This explanation should go to the clusterization section»»»

289 This is done in

```
2901 void AliEMCALRecPoint::EvalLocalPosition()
```

291

292 First we calculate the cell position with the method

```
1  AliEMCALGeometry::RelPosCellInSModule(Int_t absId, Int_t maxAbsId, Double_t  
293    tmax, Double_t &xr, Double_t &yr, Double_t &zr)
```

294

295 The calculation of the cell position done here is different in the "x-z" but the same in "y".

296 ««« «««Someone else should explain how it works»»»»

297 In this particular case the position calculation per tower depends on the position of the maxi-
298 mum cell, and the sum of the energy of the cells of the cluster. The maximum depth (tmax) is
299 calculated with the method

```

1   Double\ _t AliEMCALRecPoint::TmaxInCm(const Double\ _t e){
2
3       //e: energy sum of cells
4
5   static Double\ _t ca = 4.82; // shower max parameter – first guess; ca=TMath::Log(1000./8.07)
6
7       static Double\ _t x0 = 1.23; // radiation length (cm)
3008
9       static Double\ _t tmax = 0.; // position of electromagnetic shower max in cm
10
11      tmax = TMath::Log(e) + ca+0.5;
12
13      tmax *= x0; // convert to cm
14
15  }

```

301

302 After the cells position of the cluster is accessed, the position of the cluster is calculated averaging
303 the cell positions with a logarithmic weight:

```

1   w(cell i) = TMath::Max( 0., logWeight + TMath::Log( energy[cell i] / summed\
304   _cluster\_cell\_energy ));

```

305

306 where the logWeight was chosen to be 4.5 (this value was taken from PHOS, never optimized as
307 far as I know)

308 So in the end the position, is

```

3091 f = Sum(f(i) * w(i))/Sum(w(i))

```

310

311 where f=x,y,z.

312 2.6.2 Global coordinates

313 To transform from local to global we have the methods

```

1
2 void GetGlobal(const Double\_t *loc, Double\_t *glob, int ind) const;
3
4 void GetGlobal(const TVector3 \&vloc, TVector3 \&vglob, int ind) const;
314
5
6 void GetGlobal(Int\_t absId, Double\_t glob[3]) const;
7
8 void GetGlobal(Int\_t absId, TVector3 \&vglob) const;

```

315

316 These methods take the local coordinates and transform them into global coordinates using the
317 transformation matrix of the Super Module.

```

1
2
3183 TGeoHMatrix* m = GetMatrixForSuperModule(nSupMod);
4
5 if(m) m->LocalToMaster(loc, glob);

```

319

320 GetGlobal is called in the following useful methods in the geometry class:

321 – Return the eta and phi angular position of the cell from the AbsId

```

1 void EtaPhiFromIndex(Int\_t absId, Double\_t \&eta, Double\_t \&phi) const
322 ;
2 void EtaPhiFromIndex(Int\_t absId, Float\_t \&eta, Float\_t \&phi) const;

```

323

324 – Print information of the cells. For "pri>0" returns more information. "tit" has not much
325 use, this value is printed.

```

326 1 void PrintCellIndexes(Int\_t absId, int pri, const char *tit)

```

327

328 2.7 Geometry Alignment

329 AliRoot contains a frame for the correction of the misplacement of geometry objects with respect
330 to the ideal positions which are kept in the STEER/ directory of the following classes:

```
1 AliAlignObj  
2 AliAlignObjMatrix  
331 3 AliAlignObjParams  
4 AliAlignmentTracks
```

332

333 The class AliEMCALSurvey creates the corrections to the alignable objects. The class AliEM-
334 CALSurvey was established to take the survey parameters from OCDB, calculate the shift in
335 position of the center of the end faces of the supermodules from the nominal position, and con-
336 vert this to a transformation matrix for each supermodule which is applied to correct the global
337 position of the supermodules. All calculations of global positions would then use these corrected
338 supermodule positions to determine their locations within the ALICE global coordinate system.

339 **3 EMCAL OCDB/OADB - Marcel**

340 OCDB is the Offline data base. It contains the different parameters used for simulation or re-
341 construction of the detectors or even the LHC machine parameters that might change for the
342 different run conditions.

343 OADB is the Offline Analysis data base.

344 The EMCAL OCDB (and other detectors OCDB) is divided in 3 directories that can be found in

345 `$ALICE_ROOT/OCDB/EMCAL`

346 – Calib: Very different type of information, from hardware mapping to calibration paramete-
347 ters.

348 – Align: Survey misplacements in geometry.

349 – Config: Detector configuration, temperatures

350 Inside these directories you will find other subdirectories with more specific types of parameters.
351 Each of the directories contains a file named in this way:

352 `Run(FirstRun)_(LastRun)_v(version)_s(version).root`

353 being the default and what you will find in the trunk

354 `Run0_999999999_v0_s0.root`

355 What is actually used for the real data reconstruction can be found in alien here:

356 `/alice/data/20XX/OCDB/EMCAL`

357 There are different repositories for different years (20XX). For the simulation productions, there
358 is another repository on the grid:

359 `/alice/simulation/2008/v4-15-Release/XXX/EMCAL`

360 which is divided into 3 other repositories: Ideal, Full and Residual. Each one is meant to repro-
361 duce the detector with different precision. For EMCAL, right now these 3 repositories contain
362 the same parameters.

363 The following section explain the elements stored and how to read and fill OCDB parameters.

364 **3.1 Accessing a different OCDB**

365 In the simulation/reconstruction macro a default OCDB needs to be specified if different from

366 `$ALICE_ROOT/OCDB`.

367 When running on the grid, one needs to set for example in a reconstruction of simulated data:

```
368 reco.SetDefaultStorage("alien://Folder=/alice/simulation/2008/v4-15-Release/  
369 Residual/");
```

370 If one or several OCDB files have been modified, the following line has to be added in the
371 simulation or reconstruction macro:

```
372 reco.SetSpecificStorage("EMCAL/Calib/Pedestals","local://your/modified/local/OCDB  
373 ");
```

374 The file with the calibration coefficients needs to be stored in the directory :

```
375 /your/modified/local/OCDB/EMCAL/Calib/Data
```

376 If more of the OCDB files are modified, add the following line :

```
377 reco.SetSpecificStorage("EMCAL/Calib/","local:/your/modified/local/OCDB");
```

378 with all the directories inside

```
379 \begin{lstlisting}  
380 /your/modified/local/OCDB/EMCAL/Calib/
```

381 3.2 Energy calibration

382 Calibration Coefficients tower by towers are stored in the following directory :

```
383 EMCAL/Calib/Data
```

384 What is stored is an object of the class AliEMCALCalibData which is a container of gains and
385 pedestals per tower. These coefficients are used in:

- 386 – Simulation: during the digitization, in AliEMCALDigitizer::Digitizer(), when calling
387 AliEMCALDigitizer::DigitizeEnergy(), to transform the deposited energy into ADC counts.
- 388 – Reconstruction: in AliEMCALClusterizerV1::Calibrate() called in AliEMCALCluster-
389 izer::MakeClusters(), when forming the cluster, to get the final cluster energy.

390 The macro

```
391 $ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/CalibrationDB/AliEMCALSetCDB.C
```

392 is an example on how to set the calibration coefficients per channel, or how to read them from
393 the OCDB file. This macro can set all channels with the same selected value or with random
394 values given a uniform or gaussian smearing of a selected input value. A simple example that
395 shows how to print the parameters is PrintEMCALCalibData.C

396 All channels in the simulation have the same value for the gains (0.0153 GeV/ADC counts) and
397 pedestal (set to 0 since the calorimeter works with Zero Suppressed data).

398 3.3 Bad channels

399 Storage for the bad channels map found in hardware are here :

400 `EMCAL/Calib/Pedestals`

401 The object stored is from the class `AliCaloCalibPedestal` used for monitoring the towers calibration and functionality. This class has the data member `TObjArray *fDeadMap` which consists of an array of 12 TH2I (as many as Super Modules), and each TH2I has the dimension of 24x48 (number of towers in $\phi \times \eta$ direction), each bin corresponds to a tower. The content of each entry in the histogram is an integer which represents the possible status:

```
406 enum kDeadMapEntry{kAlive = 0, kDead, kHot, kWarning, kResurrected,  
407     kRecentlyDeceased, kNumDeadMapStates};
```

408 Right now only the status `kAlive`, `kDead`, `kHot` and soon `kWarning` (soon, not yet) are set but, 409 the code is basically skipping all the channels that are `kDead` and `kHot`. The bad channel map is 410 used in the reconstruction code in 3 places:

- 411 – `AliEMCALRawUtils::Raw2Digits()` : Before the raw data time sample is fitted, the status 412 of the tower is checked, and if bad (`kHot` or `kDead`), the fit is not done. This avoids trying 413 to fit ill shaped samples. This step is optional though, right now default is to skip the bad 414 channels here. With the `RecParam OCDB` we can select to use it or not.
- 415 – `AliEMCALClusterizerV1::Calibrate()`: once the cluster is formed, to get the cluster energy 416 from its cells.
- 417 – `AliEMCALRecPoint::EvalDistanceToBadChannels()`: Evaluate the distance of a cluster 418 to the closest bad channel. During the analysis we may want to skip clusters close to a 419 bad channel. This time a bad channel is whatever is not `kAlive`.

420 The macro

421 `$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/PedestalDB/AliEMCALPedestalCDB.C`

422 is an example on how to set the bad channel map and how to read it from a file. When executed, 423 it displays a menu that allows to set randomly as bad a given % of the towers. It also allows to 424 set the map from an input txt file, with the format like 425 `$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/PedestalDB/map.txt` (this map file is the one used in the last 426 mapping in the raw OCDB). It can also read the OCDB file and display the 12 TH2I histograms 427 on screen.

428 3.4 Reconstruction parameters

429 The storage of the parameters used in reconstruction is done in

430 `EMCAL/Calib/RecoParam`

431 What is stored is an object of the class AliEMCALRecParam which is a container for all the
432 parameters used. There are different kind of parameters, we can distinguish them depending on
433 which step of the reconstruction are used as explained below.

434 **Raw data fitting and mapping**

- 435 – Double_t fHighLowGainFactor; // gain factor to convert between high and low gain
- 436 – Int_t fOrderParameter; // order parameter for raw signal fit
- 437 – Double_t fTau; // decay constant for raw signal fit
- 438 – Int_t fNoiseThreshold; // threshold to consider signal or noise
- 439 – Int_t fNPedSamples; // number of time samples to use in pedestal calculation
- 440 – Bool_t fRemoveBadChannels; // select if bad channels are removed before fitting
- 441 – Int_t fFittingAlgorithm; // select the fitting algorithm
- 442 – static TObjArray* fgkMaps; // ALTRO mappings for RCU0..RCUX

443 **Clusterization**

- 444 – Float_t fClusteringThreshold ; // Minimum energy to seed a EC digit in a cluster
- 445 – Float_t fW0 ; // Logarithmic weight for the cluster center of gravity calculation
- 446 – Float_t fMinECut; // Minimum energy for a digit to be a member of a cluster
- 447 – Bool_t fUnfold; // Flag to perform cluster unfolding
- 448 – Float_t fLocMaxCut; // Minimum energy difference to consider local maxima in a cluster
- 449 – Float_t fTimeCut ; // Maximum difference time of digits in EMC cluster
- 450 – Float_t fTimeMin ; // Minimum time of digits
- 451 – Float_t fTimeMax ; // Maximum time of digits

452 **Track Matching**

- 453 – Double_t fTrkCutX; // X-difference cut for track matching
- 454 – Double_t fTrkCutY; // Y-difference cut for track matching
- 455 – Double_t fTrkCutZ; // Z-difference cut for track matching
- 456 – Double_t fTrkCutR; // cut on allowed track-cluster distance


```

457 - Double_t fTrkCutAlphaMin; // cut on 'alpha' parameter for track matching (min)
458 - Double_t fTrkCutAlphaMax; // cut on 'alpha' parameter for track matching (min)
459 - Double_t fTrkCutAngle; // cut on relative angle between different track points for track
460 matching
461 - Double_t fTrkCutNITS; // Number of ITS hits for track matching
462 - Double_t fTrkCutNTPC; // Number of TPC hits for track matching

```

463 PID

```

464 - Double_t fGamma[6][6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for photons
465 - Double_t fGamma1to10[6][6]; // Parameter to Compute PID not used
466 - Double_t fHadron[6][6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for hadrons
467 - Double_t fHadron1to10[6][6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for hadrons between 1 and
468 10 GeV
469 - Double_t fHadronEnergyProb[6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for energy ponderation
470 for hadrons
471 - Double_t fPiZeroEnergyProb[6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for energy ponderation for
472 Pi0
473 - Double_t fGammaEnergyProb[6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for energy ponderation
474 for gamma
475 - Double_t fPiZero[6][6]; // Parameter to Compute PID for pi0

```

476 The macro

```

477 $ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/RecParamDB/AliEMCALSetRecParamCDB.C

```

478 is an example on how to set the parameters. There are different event types that we might record,
 479 and each event type may require different reconstruction parameters. The event types that are
 480 now defined in STEER/AliRecoParam.h are:

```

481 enum EventSpecie_t {kDefault = 1, kLowMult = 2, kHighMult = 4, kCosmic = 8,
482 kCalib = 16};

```

483 The default event species that we have is kLowMult (low multiplicity). For AliRoot versions
 484 smaller than release 4.17 it was set to be kHighMult (high multiplicity). Today, the code is as
 485 follow :

```

486 kDefault=kLowMult=kCosmic=kCalib.

```

487 kHighMult differs only from the other two in 2 clusterization parameters, for low multiplicity
488 they are fMinECut=10 MeV and fClusteringThreshold=100 MeV and for high multiplicity they
489 are fMinECut=0.45 GeV and fClusteringThreshold=0.5 GeV.

490 A simple example that shows how to print the parameters for the different event species is
491 PrintEMCALRecParam.C

492 **3.5 Simulation parameters**

493 The parameters used in the simulation are stored in EMCAL/Calib/SimParam. What is stored
494 is an object of the class AliEMCALSimParam which is a container of all the parameters used.
495 There are different kind of parameters depending on the step of the simulation :

496 **SDigitization**

- 497 – Float_t fA ; // Pedestal parameter
- 498 – Float_t fB ; // Slope Digitization parameters
- 499 – Float_t fECPrimThreshold ; // To store primary if Shower Energy loss > threshold

500 **Digitization**

- 501 – Int_t fDigitThreshold ; // Threshold for storing digits in EMC = 3 ADC counts
- 502 – Int_t fMeanPhotonElectron ; // number of photon electrons per GeV deposited energy =
503 4400 MeV/photon
- 504 – Float_t fPinNoise ; // Electronics noise in EMC = 12 MeV
- 505 – Double_t fTimeResolution ; // Time resolution of FEE electronics = 600 ns
- 506 – Int_t fNADCEC ; // number of channels in EC section ADC =

507 The macro \$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/SimParamDB/AliEMCALSetSimParamCDB.C, is
508 an example on how to set the parameters. A simple example that shows how to print the param-
509 eters is PrintEMCALSimParam.C

510 **3.6 Alignment**

511 4 Simulation code

512 The class AliSimulation manages this part. An example is here : “\$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/
513 macros/TestEMCALSimulation.C”. The simulation consists of different steps: geometry and
514 event definition, particle generation, transport of the particle in the material (GEANT) and fi-
515 nally digitization. Note that the final output from the digitization process is different from the
516 processing of real experimental Raw Data. The process of converting the digitized data to Raw
517 Data is discussed in Sec. 4.2. Sec. 4.4 gives the recipe to do all the steps of the simulation.

518 4.1 Event generation and particle transport: Hits

519 Once the generator is executed, the generated particles are transported in the detector material
520 with the Monte Carlo code, GEANT3 by default. Other options are GEANT4 or FLUKA¹. All
521 the generated particles are kept in a file called **Kinematics.root**. After the particle transport
522 is executed, the objects **Hits** are created. They contain the energy deposited in the sensitive
523 material of the detector by the generated particle, their position, impact time (after collision) and
524 the identity of the original particle. Hits are stored in a file called **DETECTOR.Hits.root**, in
525 the calorimeter case: **EMCAL.Hits.root**.

526 4.2 Digitization: SDigits and Digits - Evi

527 We want to generate events which look like the real data collected by the experiment. In the end,
528 we want to have an amplitude in ADC counts and a time (when particle traverse a cell) per each
529 cell (tower) of the calorimeter. In the code for calorimeters, it is done in the following steps:

- 530 1. **SDigit** objects are created, they consist of the sum of deposited energy by all Hits in a cell
531 (a particle can create Hits in different cells but only one in a single cell), so there is only
532 one SDigit per fired cell.
- 533 2. **Digit** objects are created, they are like the SDigits but the energy in the cell is transformed
534 into the ADC amplitude units, the electronic noise is added and Digits whose energy does
535 not pass an energy threshold (3 ADC counts) are eliminated. SDigits and Digits are stored
536 in the files **EMCAL.SDigits.root** and **EMCAL.Digits.root**, respectively.

537 4.3 Raw data - David

538 The experiment does not record Digits directly but a time samples of ADC counts per cell. These
539 samples are called **Raw Data**. The samples have a shape, more complicated than a Gaussian
540 distribution, which is fitted offline. With real data, Digits amplitude is just the maximum of the
541 distribution obtained with the fit to the sample. The Digit time (defined by the time the particle
542 hits the active volume of the detector) is the time bin when the signal begins to rise. There is
543 a method to go from Digits to Raw and vice versa AliEMCALRawUtils class: Raw2Digits and
544 Digits2Raw, respectively. For the reconstruction step Digits are needed. The generation of Raw

¹There may be some license problems with FLUKA right now which could explain why it cannot be used at the moment

545 Data is optional during simulations and the generated data can be reconstructed directly from
546 Digits, but Raw data will be the initial step when reconstructing real data.

547 **4.4 How to make a simulation**

548 TestEMCALSimulation.C is a very simple macro where we specify all the simulation parameters
549 and process the simulation. Below is a similar but a bit more elaborated macro:

```
1 void TestEMCALSimulation() {  
2  
3 TString detector="EMCAL TPC"; // Define in this variable the detectors that you want to be  
   included in the simulation for the digitization . They can be less detectors than the  
   detectors defined in the Config.C file , imagine that you want all the detectors in front  
   of EMCAL present to consider the conversion of particles but you are not really  
   interested in the output from these detectors .  
4 // Option detector="ALL" makes all detectors .  
5  
6 AliSimulation sim ; //Create simulation object  
7  
8 // Generation and simulation  
9  
10 sim.SetRunGeneration(kTRUE) ; //Default value is kTRUE, make generation  
11 // For some reason we may want to redo the Digitization , without redoing the generation , in  
   this case it must set to kFALSE  
12  
13 // Making SDigits  
550 14 sim.SetMakeSDigits(detector) ; //We want to make SDigits  
15 // set no detectors if SDigits are already made  
16  
17 // Making Digits  
18 sim.SetMakeDigits(detector) ; //We want to make Digits  
19 // set no detectors if SDigits are already made  
20  
21 //Merging  
22 //sim.MergeWith("bgrd/galice.root") ; // If we want to merge a signal and a background, the  
   merging is done at the SDigit level . The background must be located in the repertory  
   defined in the method.  
23  
24 //Write Raw Data, make Raw data from digits  
25 //sim.SetWriteRawData(detector) ;  
26 //sim.SetConfigFile ("somewhere/ConfigXXX.C");//Default is Config.C  
27  
28 //Make the simulation  
29 sim.Run(3) ; //Run the simulation and make 3 events
```

551

552 **5 Reconstruction code**

553 The energy deposited by the particles in the towers produces scintillating light that is propagated
554 with optic fibers through the different layers to APD placed at the base of the cells. The APDs
555 amplify the signal and generate an electronic pulse shape that is stored in the raw data format.
556 From this pulse shape, we extract the signal amplitude and the arrival time. The pulse shape is
557 fitted during the reconstruction via a parametrized function and TMinuit, and those 2 values are
558 extracted.

559 A particle produces signals in different towers (electromagnetic shower expands more than its
560 Molière radius which is a cell size). The next step is the formation of clusters of cells that belong
561 to the same particle, although depending on the energy, granularity, clusterization algorithm or
562 event type, those clusters might have contributions from different particles. The default algo-
563 rithm in pp collisions is a simple aggregation of neighboring cells until there is no more cells
564 above a certain energy threshold (named *clusterizer V1*). In case of Pb-Pb collisions environ-
565 ment, where particle showers merge quite often, we apply another algorithm that aggregates
566 cells to the clusters until reaching a cell with more energy than the precedent (named *cluster-*
567 *izer V2*). Depending on the analysis type, one might want to use one or the other clusterization
568 type. For this reason, a re-clusterization is also possible at the analysis level. A last clusterizer
569 is implemented, which makes 3x3 clusters. It has been used in jet analysis for instance in order
570 to avoid biasing jet reconstruction where one is interested in the energy flow over a large area
571 without explicit reconstruction of photon showers and where the driving consideration is that
572 the wide clusterizer does not interfere with the jet finder. For π^0 , η , and direct γ analyses, V2 is
573 most likely preferable).

574 Once the cluster is defined, we calculate cluster parameters, shower shape parameters, that will
575 help at the analysis level to identify each cluster as one particle type. Also, we compare the
576 cluster position information with the propagation of tracks measured in the central barrel to the
577 EMCAL surface, to identify the clusters generated by charged particles.

578 The final analysis objects, ESDs and AODs, contain all the cluster and cell basic informations
579 allowing to redo the clusterization if needed at the analysis level.

580 **5.1 Offline data base access**

581 How to create explained OCDB/OADB section.

582 **5.1.1 Energy calibration**

583 **5.1.2 Bad channels - Marie, Alexis**

584 **5.1.3 Alignment - Marco**

585 **5.2 Raw data fitting: from ADC sample to digits - David**

586 `AliEMCALRawUtils`, `AliCaloRawAnalyzer*`, `AliCalo*`, `AliEMCALDigit`.

587 **5.3 Clusterization: From digits to clusters - Constantin, Adam**

588 `AliEMCALClusterizer*`, `AliEMCALRecPoint`

589 **5.4 Cluster-Track matching - Rongrong, Shingo, Michael**

590 Even though EMCal is intended to measure the energy of particles that interact with EMCal via
591 electromagnetic showering, e.g. photons and electrons, charged hadrons can also deposit energy
592 in EMCal, most commonly via minimum ionization, but also via nuclear interactions generating
593 hadronic showers. In the analysis where the distinction between hadronic and electromagnetic
594 showers is necessary, cluster-track matching is often used to meet this requirement.

595 The main method used to extrapolate tracks in the ALICE software framework is:

```
1  static Bool_t PropagateTrackToBxByBz(AliExternalTrackParam *track, Double_t x,  
596      Double_t m, Double_t maxStep, Bool_t rotateTo=kTRUE, Double_t maxSnp=0.8, Int_t  
      sign=0, Bool_t addTimeStep=kFALSE);
```

597 which takes the following arguments: “*track*” stores all the information of the starting point for
598 the extrapolation; “*x*” is the coordinate of the destination plane in the local coordinate system;
599 “*m*” is the mass assumption for the track; “*maxStep*” is the step size used in the extrapolation.
600 This method extrapolates the track trajectory to a destination plane in a magnetic field, taking
601 into account the energy loss of the tracks when going through detector materials. However, the
602 energy loss model is tuned for charged hadrons, so it does not work very well for electrons or
603 positions whose primary energy loss process is bremsstrahlung.

604 For EMCal, the track-cluster matching is done by default in the reconstruction chain and the
605 code is implemented in:

```
6061  AliEMCALTracker::PropagateBack(AliESDEvent* esd)
```

607

608 The logic of the matching procedure is the following:

- 609 – Find all the EMCal clusters in the event. See `AliEMCALTracker::LoadClusters()`.
- 610 – Find all the good tracks in the event. See `AliEMCALTracker::LoadTracks()`. Several cuts
611 are applied to select good tracks
 - 612 – Minimum p_T cut, which can be set during the reconstruction.
 - 613 – Cut on number of TPC clusters, which can be set during the reconstruction.
 - 614 – $|\eta| < 0.8$ and $20^\circ < \phi < 120^\circ$. These fiducial cuts are hard coded since tracks out of
615 this range should never make it to EMCal.
- 616 – For each good track, find the nearest cluster as matched if their residuals fall within the
617 cuts. See `AliEMCALTracker::FindMatchedCluster()`, which follows the following steps:

- 618 – Get the starting point: if the *friendTrack* is available, use the last point on the TPC.
619 Otherwise, use the point at the inner wall of the TPC.
- 620 – Extrapolate tracks to the EMCal surface at 430 cm, and apply fiducial cuts on the ex-
621 trapolated points: $|\eta| < 0.75$ and $70^\circ < \varphi < 190^\circ$. The step size in the extrapolation
622 can be set in the reconstruction, and the default value is 20 cm.
- 623 – Extrapolate tracks further, with 5 cm step size, to the positions of all the EMCal
624 clusters which are in the vicinity of the extrapolated points from last step. Then the
625 distance between extrapolated tracks to the clusters are calculated, and the nearest
626 cluster is assigned as matched if the residuals fall within cuts. By fitting the distri-
627 butions of the residuals using Gaussian functions, we can choose to cut on $N\sigma$ of the
628 residuals. To further improve the matching performance, p_T and charge dependent
629 cuts can be used.

630 5.5 How to execute the reconstruction

631 Executing the reconstruction is very similar to the simulation case, see the macro TestEMCAL-
632 Reconstruction.C (a bit more detailed than the one in \$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros) :

```

1 void TestEMCALReconstruction() {
2
3 TString detector="EMCAL TPC"; //Same function as in Simulation.C
4
5 AliReconstruction rec; //Create reconstruction object
6
7 //Making Tracking
8 rec.SetRunTracking(detector) ;
9
10 // Particle Reconstruction . Make Rec Points
11 rec.SetRunReconstruction(detector);
12
13 //read RAW data. Give directory where raw data is stored
14 //rec.SetInput ("RawDataDirectory/raw.root");
15
16 //Make vertex finder
17 rec.SetRunVertexFinder(kFALSE) ; //false only if the tracking detectors are not included.
18
19 // Fill ESD file with RecPoints information .
20 rec.SetFillESD(detector) ;
21
22 //Run Reconstruction
23 rec.Run() ;
24 }

```

634

635 **6 Calibration and detector behavior**

636 **6.1 Calibration**

637 This section describes how different correction factors are obtained: the energy calibration (MIP,
638 π^0 , run by run), the time calibration and the bad channel mask.

639 All these correction factors or masks are stored in the OCDB but also the OADB. Since these
640 calibration parameters do not arrive before the full ALICE data reconstructions of the first pe-
641 riods are completed, the parameters are stored not only in the OCDB but also in the OADB so
642 that the clusters can be corrected at the analysis level. For the moment we do not store the time
643 calibration and run by run correction factors in OCDB just in OADB.

644 **6.1.1 Energy calibration: MIP calibration before installation - Julien**

645 First, the calibration is done on cosmic measurements before installing the SuperModules at P2,
646 but the accuracy obtained using MIPs is not good enough.

647 **6.1.2 Energy calibration: π^0 - Catherine**

648 The energy calibration relies during data taking on the measurement of the π^0 mass position
649 per cell. Each tower has a calibration coefficient. In what follows, a calibration parameter is
650 equal to the result of the fitted mass over the PDG mass value, where the fitted mass denotes
651 the mass given by a gaussian fit on the π^0 invariant mass peak distribution in a given tower
652 (plus a combinatorial background, fitted by a 2nd degree polynomial). About 100-200 M events
653 EMCAL (L0) triggered (trigger threshold at 1.5-2 GeV) allow to calibrate a majority of the
654 towers. The towers located on rows 0 and 23 of each super modul (SM) and those behind the
655 support frame (about 5 columns per SM) have much fewer statistics and would need a minimum
656 of 150 Mevts (probably more). It is to be noted that the run-to-run temperature variations change
657 the towers' response in a non-uniform way, i.e. the width of the π^0 peak increases, and the mean
658 π^0 mass is shifted differently for the various towers. Also the π^0 mass shifts to lower values for
659 the towers with material in front, due to photoconversion close to the EMCAL surface.

660 A few iterations on the data, obtaining in each iteration improved calibration coefficients, are
661 needed to achieve a good accuracy (1-2%). Since the online calibration has a strong effect on
662 the trigger efficiency, the voltage gains of the APDs are varied after each running period, to get a
663 uniform trigger performance. Still, some towers are difficult to calibrate because they are behind
664 of a lot of material (TRD support structures). For those MIPs or J/Ψ measurements could help.

665 **π^0 Calibration Procedure**

666 Since π^0 s decay into 2 gammas, their invariant mass is calculated from the energy of 2 clusters
667 (and angle between the clusters). The position of the invariant mass peak of a tower therefore
668 doesn't depend only on its response and calibration coefficient, but also on an average of the
669 responses and calibration coefficients of all the other towers of the SM, weighted by how often
670 they appear in combination with a cluster in the considered tower. The 2nd effect, of weaker
671 magnitude maybe, originates from the fact that a cluster most often covers more than the con-
672 sidered tower. To simplify the calibration process, the calibration coefficient is calculated as if

673 the whole energy of the cluster was contained in the tower of the cluster which has the largest
674 signal. So the position of the invariant mass peak of a tower also depends on an average of the
675 responses and calib coeffs of its neighbouring towers. For these reasons, the calibration of the
676 calorimeter with the π^0 is an iterative procedure :

- 677 – Set all calib coeffs to 0 in OCDB.
- 678 – Reconstruct the π^0 's with these OCDB coeffs.
- 679 – Run the analysis code on this data to produce the analysis histograms and a 1st version of
680 the calib coeffs.
- 681 – Look at the fits on the towers invariant mass histograms and discard the value (or set it by
682 hand) of the calib coeff of the towers for which the fit can't be trusted.
- 683 – Create a 1st set of OCDB coeffs.
- 684 – Reconstruct the π^0 's with these OCDB coeffs.
- 685 – Run the analysis code on this data to produce the analysis histograms and a 2nd version
686 of the calib coeffs.
- 687 – Look at the fits on the towers invariant mass histograms and discard the value (or set it by
688 hand) of the calib coeff of the towers for which the fit can't be trusted.
- 689 – Create a 2nd set of OCDB coeffs.
- 690 – Etc..., until the invariant mass is satisfactory in all the towers.

691 When the statistics is enough, 4 iterations should be enough to finalize the calibration (in prac-
692 tice, more are needed, due to outliers or studies that are needed).

693 There are 3 sets of codes :

- 694 – Reco code : reads the data, reconstructs the π^0 inv mass distrib in each tower after it applies
695 some cuts on the clusters and π^0 parameters. The output is a root file with invariant mass
696 histograms (per tower, and summed-up per SM, per pT-bin).
- 697 – Analysis code : reads the file produced by the reco code and analyses the histograms to
698 produce the calib coeffs. This code is the one I present in what follows.
- 699 – A code which reads the calib coeffs and writes them into a format that is loadable to
700 OCDB.

701 The code is located in EMCAL/calibPi0/ :

- 702 – macros/ : contains the various macros.

- 703 – input/ : contains the root files produced by the analysis code for the various iterations
704 ("passes"). It has subdirectories "pass0/", "pass1/", etc... with, in each dir, the root file.
- 705 – output/ : contains the various files produced by the analysis code for the various passes.
706 It has subdirectories "pass0/", "pass1/", etc... with, in each dir, the various output files
707 related to the pass.²

708 The cuts which must be put in the reconstruction are :

- 709 – Bad towers masked.
- 710 – Both clusters in the same SM (to avoid misalignment effects).
- 711 – Cut the 1-tower clusters out.
- 712 – 20 ns timing cut.
- 713 – Non-linearity correction (for the cluster energy)– from beam test AFAIK.
- 714 – No asymetry cut.
- 715 – $E_{cluster} > 0.8$ GeV, or 0.7 GeV if there is little statistics. Tests showed that to remove the
716 residual non-linearity (the π_0 invariant mass rises with p_T), tightening the cut on $E_{cluster}$
717 was more efficient than requiring symmetric decays (both gamma's of similar energy) (e.g.
718 $asym < 0.5$ with $E_{gamma} > 0.5$ GeV).

719 It has the possibility to mask some areas. This is useful to disentangle the zones which have
720 more material in front of them from those which don't. In the invariant mass distributions, the
721 π^0 candidates kept are only those for which both clusters belong to the non-masked zones. In
722 2011, we considered masking the zones behind the support frame (in all the SMs or only in the
723 SMs with TRD modules in front of them, i.e. SM 6-9 that year), plus additionnal problematic
724 zones, to avoid taking clusters in these zones for the calculation of the average invariant mass in
725 the towers with less material. (NB : not used for final calibration results, but for studies).

726 The analysis code has 3 input files :

- 727 – the root file f05 with inv mass histograms produced by the reconstruction code,
- 728 – a file txtFileIn (output_calibPi0_parameters.txt) that contains the values of various param-
729 eters of the fit for each tower, at the previous pass,
- 730 – a file txtFilePrevCalib (output_calibPi0_coefs_clean.txt) that contains the value of the
731 calibration coefficient for each tower, at the previous pass (and after the hand-made cor-
732 rections).

²Note that it wouldn't necessarily help to set-up a code that automatically reads and writes the pass number to avoid the hardcoded directories in the code, because it happens to do several times the same pass with various parameters (e.g. cuts in the reconstruction, or more statistics, or various masked zones, or hand-customization of a few calib coeffs, etc...).

733 The 2 last files are therefore useless for the "pass0". To run the code for "pass0" (1st iteration),
734 put the name of a valid file (e.g. one of last year) and just ignore the plots (red colour, in the last
735 section – see below).

736 There are 4 output files, that are written in the current directory (calibPi0/) : be careful not to
737 overwrite an existing file ! After the code has been run, simply move those files to the relevant
738 passXX directory := output/passXX/=.

- 739 – a postscript file psfile (output_calibPi0.ps) with the plots described below,
- 740 – a root file rootFileOut (output_calibPi0.root) that contains the same plots in root format,
- 741 – a file txtFileOut (output_calibPi0_parameters.txt) that contains the values of various pa-
742 rameters of the fit for each tower, for the current pass,
- 743 – a file outputFile (output_calibPi0_coeffs.txt) that contains the value of the calib coeff for
744 each tower, for the current pass. Once the code has been run and the output files copied to
745 the relevant output directory, I copy output_calibPi0_coeffs.txt to output_calibPi0_coeffs_clean.txt,
746 and modify the latter by hand to put the desired calib coeffs where we estimate that they
747 can't be trusted.

748 9 parameters are defined to qualify the invariant mass distribution in each tower : the distribution
749 is fitted by a gaussian + pol2 for the combinatorial background. The parameters are :

- 750 – amplitude of gaussian fit,
- 751 – mean of the gaussian fit,
- 752 – sigma of the gaussian fit,
- 753 – c, b and a parameters of the combinatorial background fit $ax^2 + bx + c$, I (histo integral),
- 754 – I-S, S (integral of the gaussian fit). Minimal and maximal cut values are hardcoded (and
755 to be changed at each iteration) for each parameter.

756 When the value of all the parameters lie between both extremes, the tower (i.e. the fit values,
757 hence the mean, hence the calculated calib coeff) is "trusted". If one or more parameter has a
758 value beyond the max cut value or below the min cut value, the tower is "untrusted". Because
759 these cut values can't be guessed in advance, the analysis code must be run twice per pass.
760 The 1st time, so as to get the distributions of all 9 parameters, and decide on the basis of those
761 distributions what are the suitable cut values to separate the towers to be trusted and those not
762 to be trusted. The values are plugged in the code, and the code is then run a 2nd time, for
763 real this time. The macro (currently called DrawJulienFullEMCAL6.C) runs with 1 parameter
764 in argument (set to 10 by default) : choice, which sets the number of SMs that one desires to
765 include in the analysis. The values are either 4 (for the older SMs), or 6 (for only the newer
766 SMs), or 10 (for the whole EMCAL). Here is the code. The macro is run this way :

767 `aliproot -b -q 'macros/DrawJulienFullEMCAL6.C++(10)'`

768 There are various places where things must be customized before running the code ; they can be
769 spotted by searching for this line : `//CUSTOMIZE customize :`

770 – testChoice : this variable is a flag that allows to shorten the execution time for tests. 0 =
771 not a test ; 1 = runs with only the 2 first columns of each SM ; 2 = runs with only the 2
772 first columns of the first SM,

773 – the root input file f05,

774 – the text input file txtFilePrevCalib (in principle not the name, only the path),

775 – the text input file txtFileIn (in principle not the name, only the path),

776 – if necessary : the min and max range values for the parameter histograms : tabMin and
777 tabMax,

778 – the min and max cut values for the parameters cutMin and cutMax,

779 – if necessary : the number of bins in pT (for the 1st section, see below) nbPtBins and their
780 range tabPtBins.

781 – Text output on the standard output ("printf's") :

782 Finally, the first iteration needs the recalibration factors. This file is made running macros/Recal-
783 ibrationFactors_TextToHistoJulien_mult_2012.C on the output_calibPi0_coeffs.txt file. Once
784 the RecalibrationFactors.root file is created it needs to be linked properly to re-run the recon-
785 struction.

786 **6.1.3 Energy calibration: Run by run temperature gain variations - Evi, David**

787 The SuperModules calibration depends on the temperature dependence of the different towers
788 gains. We observe that from one period to other, where the T changes, the π^0 peak positions
789 also changes. There are 2 ways to correct for this effect : either measure the mean T per run,
790 and get the gain curves per tower a calculate the corresponding correction; or use the calibration
791 LED events to quantify the variation from one reference run. Each of those 2 procedures have
792 problems, poor or lack of knowledge of the gain curves of some towers or bad performance of
793 the LED system in certain regions.

794 **6.1.4 Time calibration - Marie**

795 The time of the amplitude measured by a given cell is a good candidate to reject noisy towers,
796 identify pile up events, or even identify heavy hadrons at low energy. The average time is around
797 650 ns. The aim of the time calibration is to move this mean value to 0, with as small spread as
798 possible (negative values are unavoidable for the moment).

799 **6.2 Alignment - Marco**

800 CERN provides survey measurements of the position of different EMCAL Supermodules points
801 at the beginning of the running period (and on request?). As soon this information is available,
802 the ideal EMCAL positions used in the reconstruction by default, are corrected with special
803 position matrices calculated from the measurements. Finally, once the data is reconstructed,
804 the accuracy of the alignment is cross checked with track matching and π^0 mass measurements,
805 since those values change depending on variations on the positions of the SuperModules.

806 **6.3 Bad channel finding - Alexis**

807 The analysis is done on the output of QA histograms. The idea is to check distributions over the
808 cells of:

- 809 – average energy (criteria 1) and
- 810 – average number of hit per event (criteria 2) (average computed for $E > E_{min}$)
- 811 – Shape criteria : χ^2/ndf (criteria 3), A (criteria 4) and B (criteria 5) which are parameters
812 from the fit of each cell amplitude (the fit function is $A * e^{-B*x}/x^2$ and the fit range is from
813 E_{min} to E_{max}).

814 Each criteria is ran once, at each step, and the marked cells are excluded (above nsigma from
815 mean value) to compute the next distribution. ³

816 The typical nsigma used is 4 or 5. The min energy considered is 0.1 GeV -0.3 GeV. And the
817 max energy for the fit depends on the data. Bad/warm channels are not detected automatically.
818 The distinction is made by a visual check, so it is at some point subjective. (?????)

819 The cells are then marked bad or warm and passed through OCDB, in the reconstruction pass,
820 the bad ones are excluded.

³For each criteria we have some parameters E_{min} (min energy) E_{max} , (max energy for the Energy distribution fit), and nsigma, nb of sigma we use for excluding the cell;

821 **7 Trigger**

822 **7.1 L0 - Jiri**

823 Documented in [10]. Add Summary or more info here.

824 **7.2 L1 - Rachid**

825 **7.3 L0-L1 simulation - Rachid**

826 **8 The EMCal HLT online chain - Federico**

827 The EMCal L0 or L1 hardware trigger decisions provide the input for a dedicated on-line event
828 processing chain running on the HLT cluster, where further refinement based on criteria using the
829 full event reconstruction information is performed. In fact, the detector optical link transports
830 the raw data to the Read-Out Receiver Card (RORC) in the local data collector of the data
831 acquisition system, which sends a complete copy of the readout to a set of specialized nodes in
832 the HLT cluster (FEP or Front End Processors). Each FEP node is equipped with RORC cards in
833 analogy to the collector nodes used by the data acquisition. The FEP nodes are physically linked
834 to the detector hardware and reflect the geometrical partitioning of each ALICE sub-system.
835 The 10 full-size super-modules are read out using 2 Read-Out Control Units (RCUs) for a total
836 of 20 optical links running into the HLT FEPs. The reduced-size super-modules were installed
837 prior to the 2012 LHC run and are not discussed in the present report. In addition to the 20
838 links from the super-module readout, the HLT receives also a copy of the L0/L1 trigger data
839 stream via an additional optical link from the EMCal jet trigger unit (STU) data collector. The
840 different stages of data processing are then performed by the software analysis chain executed on
841 the HLT cluster: a set of general purpose nodes (Computing Nodes or CNs) perform the higher
842 level operations on the data streams which have been already pre-processed on the FEPs at the
843 lower level. The EMCal software components form a specialized sub-chain executed at run time
844 together with all other ALICE sub-systems participating in the HLT event reconstruction.

845 The functional units of the EMCal HLT online chain are presented in Figure 8 where the online
846 reconstruction, monitoring, and trigger components are shown together with their relevant data
847 paths. The lower-level EMCal online component (*RawAnalyzer*) is fed by the detector front
848 end electronics and performs signal amplitude and timing information extraction. Intermediate
849 components (*DigitMaker*) use this information to build the digitized data structures needed for
850 the clusterizer components to operate on the cell signals. Alternatively, the digitized signals can
851 be generated via monte carlo simulations (*DigitHandler*).

852 At the top of the EMCal reconstruction chain, the digits are summed by the *Clusterizer* compo-
853 nent to produce the cluster data structures. The calorimeter clusters are then used to generate
854 the different kinds of EMCal HLT trigger information: a single shower trigger (γ) with no track
855 matching, an electron trigger using the matching with a corresponding TPC track, and a jet
856 trigger also using the TPC tracks information and the V0 multiplicity dependent threshold.

857 The trigger logic generated by the EMCal chain is evaluated (together with the outputs of the
858 HLT trigger components coming from other ALICE detectors) within the HLT Global Trigger

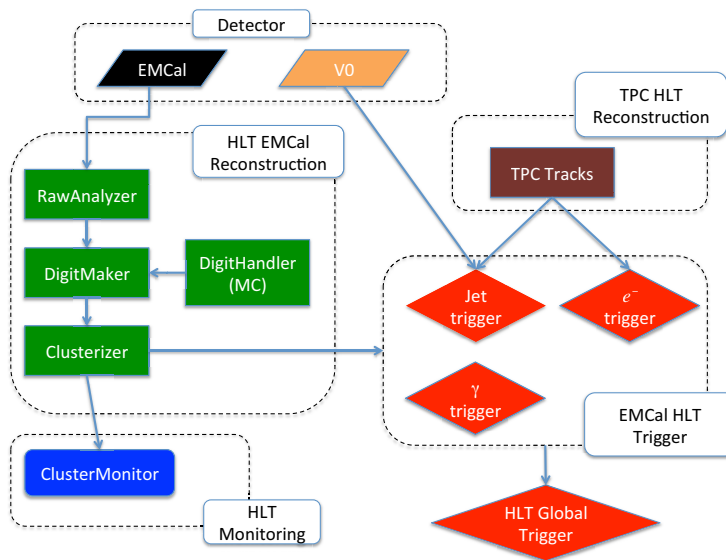


Fig. 8: Functional diagram of the EMCal online reconstruction components (signal processing, data structure makers, and clusterizers) shown in green. The EMCal chain is fed by the detector raw data. Trigger components are shown in red. EMCal-specific triggers operate on the calorimeter clusters and perform TPC track-matching when needed (electron and jet triggers). Monitoring components are shown in blue and live in a separate monitoring chain. The EMCal triggers are evaluated within the Global Trigger which is aware of the full HLT trigger logic of the other ALICE detectors.

859 which produces the final high level decision based on the reconstructed event. The ALICE data
 860 acquisition system will then discard, accept or tag the event according to the HLT decision.

861 For performance and stability reasons, the full on-line HLT chain contains only analysis and
 862 trigger components. On the other hand, monitoring components typically make heavy use of
 863 histogramming packages and ESD objects, hence they are kept in a separate chain. The isolation
 864 of the monitoring from the reconstruction chain gives additional robustness since a crash in a
 865 monitoring component will not affect the reconstruction chain and the data taking.

866 **8.1 Reconstruction components**

867 As shown in Figure 8 the EMCal HLT analysis chain provides all the necessary components
 868 to allow the formation of a trigger decision based on full event reconstruction. The following
 869 subsections are devoted to a detailed discussion of each processing stage, starting from the most
 870 basic, i.e. signal extraction, to the highest stage: the HLT trigger decision.

871 **8.1.1 RawAnalyzer**

872 The *RawAnalyzer* component extracts energy and timing information for each calorimeter cell.
 873 Extraction methods implemented in the offline code (AliRoot) typically use least squares fitting
 874 algorithms, and cannot be used in online processing for performance reasons. Conversely, the
 875 HLT signal extraction is done without need of fitting using two possible extraction methods. The

876 first method, referred to as *kCrude*, simply produces an amplitude using the difference between
877 the maximum and the minimum values of the digitized time samples and associates the time
878 bin of the maximum as the signal arrival time. The *kCrude* method was used during the 2011
879 data taking: it has the advantage of being extremely fast and fully robust since no complex
880 algorithms are used. On the other hand, it produces a less accurate result than the processing
881 of the full signal shape. An alternative method (*kPeakFinder*) evaluates the amplitude and peak
882 position as a weighted sum of the digitized samples. This approach is not as fast as *kCrude* but
883 is a few hundred times faster than least squares fitting.

884 **8.1.2 DigitMaker**

885 The *DigitMaker* component essentially transforms the raw cell signal amplitudes produced by
886 the *RawAnalyzer* into digit structures by processing the cell coordinates and by the application
887 of dead channel maps and the appropriate gain factors (low and high-gain).

888 **8.1.3 Clusterizer**

889 The *Clusterizer* component merges individual signals (digits) of adjacent cells into structures
890 called clusters. At transverse momenta $p_T > 1$ GeV/c most of the clusters are associated to elec-
891 tromagnetic showers in EMCal from π^0 and η mesons decays. Other sources of electromagnetic
892 showers are direct photons and electrons from semi-leptonic decays of c and b hadrons. Since
893 the typical cluster size in the EMCal can vary according to the detector occupancy due to shower
894 overlap effects, which are much different for pp and heavy-ion collisions, clustering algorithms
895 with and without a cutoff on the shower size are available (both in offline and in the HLT) to
896 optimize the cluster reconstruction for the different cases. Events originating from pp collisions
897 tends to generate smaller, spherical and well-separated clusters in the EMCal, at least up to 10
898 GeV/c. At higher transverse momenta, overlapping of the showers requires a shape analysis to
899 extract the single shower energy. Above 30 GeV/c the reconstruction can be performed only
900 with more sophisticated algorithms such as isolation cuts to identify direct photons.

901 The identification of an isolated single electromagnetic cluster in the EMCal can be performed
902 using different strategies: summing up all the neighboring cells around a seed-cell over threshold
903 until no more cells are found or adding up cells around the seed until the number of clustered
904 cells reaches the predefined cutoff value.

905 The first approach is more suitable for an accurate reconstruction. A further improvement to this
906 clustering algorithm would be the ability to unfold overlapping clusters as generated from the
907 photonic decay of high-energy neutral mesons, however this procedure usually requires comput-
908 ing intensive fitting algorithms.

909 Such performance penalty must be avoided in the online reconstruction so the cutoff technique
910 is preferred. In the EMCal HLT reconstruction a cutoff of 9 cells is used (according to the
911 geometrical granularity of the single cell size), so the clusterization is performed into a square
912 of 3×3 cells. The cutoff and non-cutoff algorithms are referred to as $N \times N$ and $V1$, respectively.

913 In pp collisions the response of the two methods is very similar since the majority of clusters are
914 well separated, while in $PbPb$ collisions, especially in central events, the high particle multiplic-

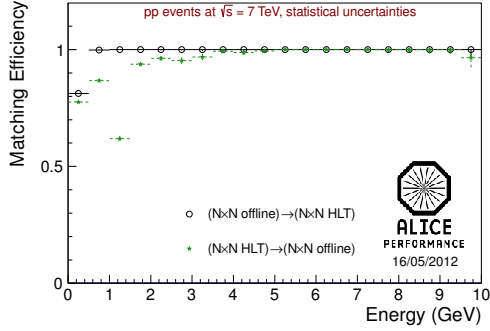


Fig. 9: Reconstruction efficiency for the $N \times N$ algorithm (cutoff) in offline and HLT. The notation $(A) \rightarrow (B)$ indicates the fraction of clusters found using method A that are also found using method B (data from run 154787, period LHC11c).

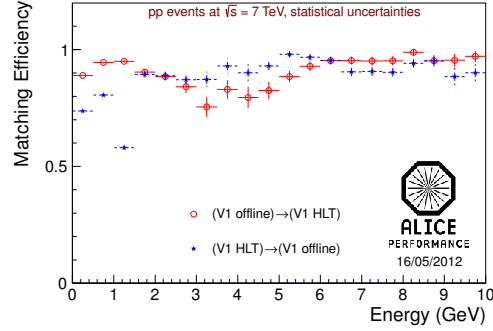


Fig. 10: Reconstruction efficiency for the V1 algorithms (no cutoff) in offline and HLT. The notation $(A) \rightarrow (B)$ indicates the fraction of clusters found using method A that are also found using method B (data from run 154787, period LHC11c).

915 ity requires the use of the cutoff (or unfolding in offline) to disentangle the cluster signals from
 916 the the underlying event to avoid the generation of artificially large clusters.

917 The quality of the EMCal online clusterizer algorithms implemented in the HLT chain were
 918 checked against offline, as shown in Figures 9 and 10 where it can be seen that the performance
 919 is in a reasonable agreement in all cases. The low point at 1.25 GeV is due to bad towers, which
 920 are assigned an energy of 1 GeV. Bad clusters are removed in later stages of the analysis, but
 921 that is not yet reflected in Figures 9 and 10. This effect leads to an excess of clusters that are
 922 found by the HLT clusterizer, but not by the offline clusterizer.

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924 Since the EMCal HLT reconstruction is mainly targeted for triggering, a small penalty in the
 925 accuracy of the energy reconstruction of the clusters is accepted as a trade off in favor of faster
 926 performance, and for this reason the cutoff clustering method was used, especially in $PbPb$
 927 collisions.

928 8.2 Trigger components

929 The online HLT chain is capable of producing trigger decisions based on full event reconstruc-
 930 tion. In terms of EMCal event rejection the following relevant trigger observables have been
 931 implemented:

932 – neutral cluster trigger

933 – electron and jet trigger

934 **8.2.1 Cluster trigger**

935 The single shower triggering mode is primarily targeted to trigger on photons and neutral mesons.
 936 In all collision systems, the high level trigger post-filtering can improve the hardware L0 and
 937 L1 trigger response by using the current bad channels map information and calibration factors
 938 (which could be recomputed directly in the HLT).

939 **8.2.2 Electron trigger**

940 For this trigger the cluster information reconstructed online by the EMCal HLT analysis chain is
 941 combined with the central barrel tracking information to produce complex event selection as a
 942 single electron trigger (matching of one extrapolated track with an EMCal cluster. Performance
 943 and accuracy studies of the track matching component developed for this purpose have been
 944 done using simulated and real data taken during the 2011 LHC running period. Results are
 945 shown in Figures 11 and 12 where the cluster - track residuals in azimuth and pseudo-rapidity
 946 units are to be compared with a calorimeter cell size of 0.014×0.014 .

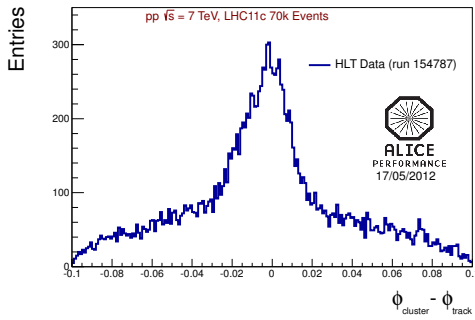


Fig. 11: Distribution of the residuals in azimuth ($\Delta\phi$) for the EMCal cluster and central barrel tracks obtained using the HLT online chain for run 154787 (LHC11c), 70 k events reconstructed.

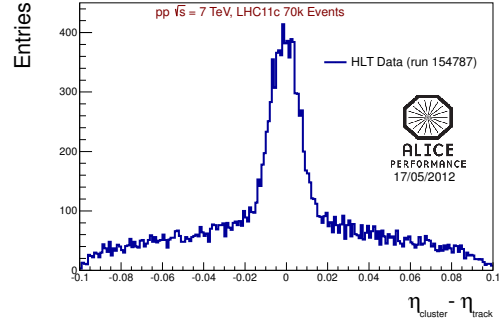


Fig. 12: Distribution of the residuals in pseudo-rapidity ($\Delta\eta$) for the EMCal cluster and central barrel tracks obtained using the HLT online chain for run 154787 (LHC11c), 70 k events reconstructed.

947 In addition to the extrapolation of the track from the central barrel to the EMCal interaction plane
 948 and the matching with a compatible nearby cluster, the electron trigger component must finally
 949 perform particle identification to issue a trigger decision. The selection of electron candidates is
 950 done using the E/pc information where the energy is measured from the EMCal cluster and the
 951 momentum from the central barrel track. The trigger component is initialized with default values
 952 for the cut of $0.8 < E/pc < 1.3$. The default cuts are stored in the HLT conditions database and
 953 can be overridden via command line arguments at configuration time (usually at start of run).

954 The performance of the electron trigger was studied using pp minimum bias data at 7 TeV with
 955 embedded J/Ψ events. Figure 13 shows the good agreement of the E/pc distributions obtained
 956 with the track extrapolation - cluster matching performed using the online algorithms compared
 957 to the ESD-based tracking (red).

958 To determine the possible improvement of the event selection for electrons with energies above

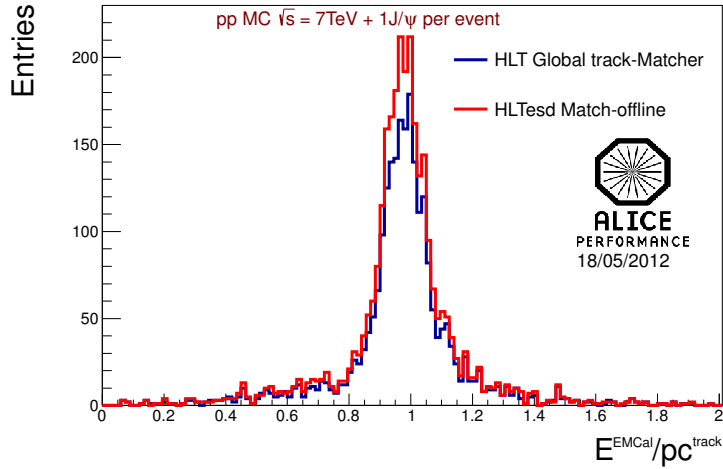


Fig. 13: E/p_c distributions obtained with the track extrapolation - cluster matching via the online algorithms compared to the ESD-based tracking (red).

959 1 GeV, AliRoot simulations of the HLT chain using LHC11b10a pp minimum bias data at 2.76
 960 GeV and the EMCal full geometry (10 super-modules) have been used. These studies have
 961 shown that at least a factor 5 to 10 in event selection can be gained compared to the single
 962 shower trigger, as shown in Figure 14.

963 8.2.3 Jet trigger

964 The EMCal online jet trigger component was developed to provide an unbiased jet sample by
 965 refining the hardware L1 trigger decisions. In fact, the HLT post-processing can produce a
 966 sharper turn on curve using the track matching capabilities of the online reconstruction chain.
 967 In addition, a more accurate definition of the jet area than the one provided by the hardware
 968 L1 jet patch, can be obtained choosing a jet cone based on the jet direction calculated online.
 969 The combination of the hadronic and electromagnetic energy provides a measurement of the
 970 total energy of the jet by matching the tracks identified as part of the jet with the corresponding
 971 EMCal neutral energy.

972 The use of the HLT jet trigger also allows a better characterization of the trigger response as
 973 a function of the centrality dependent threshold by re-processing the information from the V0
 974 detector directly in HLT.

975 Performance considerations, due to the high particle multiplicity in $PbPb$ collisions, impose that
 976 the track extrapolation is done only geometrically without taking into account multiple scattering
 977 effects introduced by the material budget in front of the EMCal. The pure geometrical extrapo-
 978 lation accounts for a speedup factor of 20 in the execution of the track matcher component with
 979 respect to the full-fledged track extrapolation used in pp collisions.

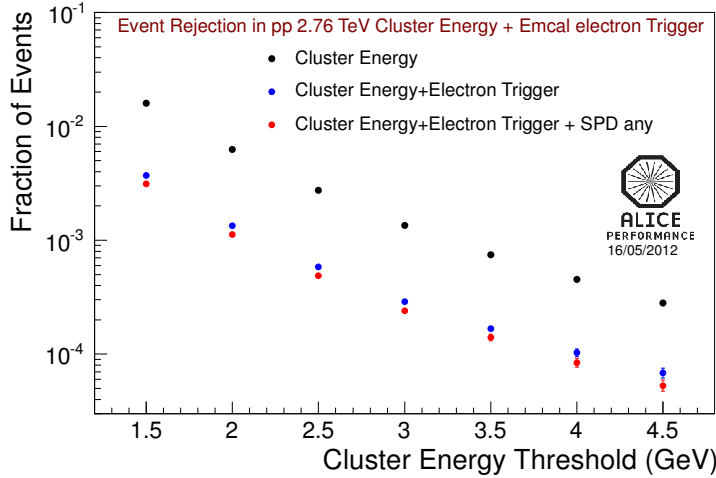


Fig. 14: Improvement in the event selection for $E_{e^-} > 1$ GeV from AliRoot simulation (anchor to LHC11b10a) with minimum bias pp at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV (EMCal full geometry). The red points are obtained with the requirement of one hit in one of the silicon pixel (SPD) layers to reject a higher fraction of photon conversions.

980 The identification of the jet tracks is performed using the anti- k_T jet finder provided by the
 981 FastJet package.

982 The EMCal jet trigger was only partially tested during the 2011 data taking period and will be
 983 fully commissioned for the LHC pPb run period in 2012.

984 **8.3 Monitoring components**

985 The role of the EMCal HLT reconstruction in pp collisions is targeted mainly on the monitoring
 986 functions since the expected event sizes are small enough for the complete collision event to be
 987 fully transferred to permanent storage.

988 In this respect, two monitoring components have been developed and deployed in the online
 989 chain. The first component currently monitors reconstructed quantities, such as the cluster en-
 990 ergy spectra and timing, the cluster position in the η and ϕ coordinates, and the number of cells
 991 per cluster as a function of the cluster reconstructed energy as shown in Figure 15.

992 The second component re-evaluates the EMCal hardware trigger decisions by recalculating the
 993 cluster energy spectrum for all the clusters with the L0 trigger bit set as shown in Figure 16.
 994 The L0 turn on curve can then be calculated online as the ratio between the triggered and the
 995 reconstructed cluster spectra and monitored for the specific run.

996 No recalculation of hardware L1 trigger primitives was possible during the 2011 data taking
 997 since the optical link from the EMCal L1 trigger unit could only be installed during the 2011-2012
 998 winter shutdown of the LHC hence the software development for the L1 trigger monitoring is

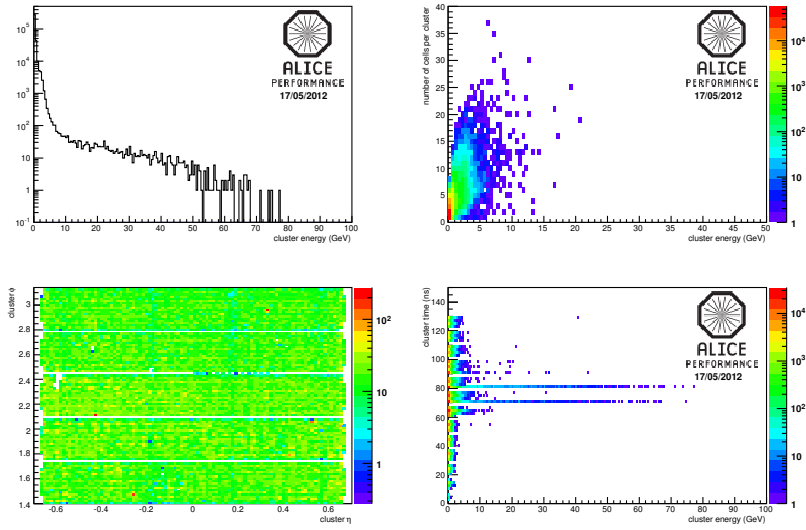


Fig. 15: Output from the EMCAL HLT monitoring component. Top left: cluster energy spectra as a function of the reconstructed cluster energy; bottom left: cluster position in η and ϕ coordinates; bottom right: cluster time distribution; top right: number of cells per cluster vs cluster energy. LHC11b period, $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV pp data, 10 kEvent analyzed.

999 still underway.

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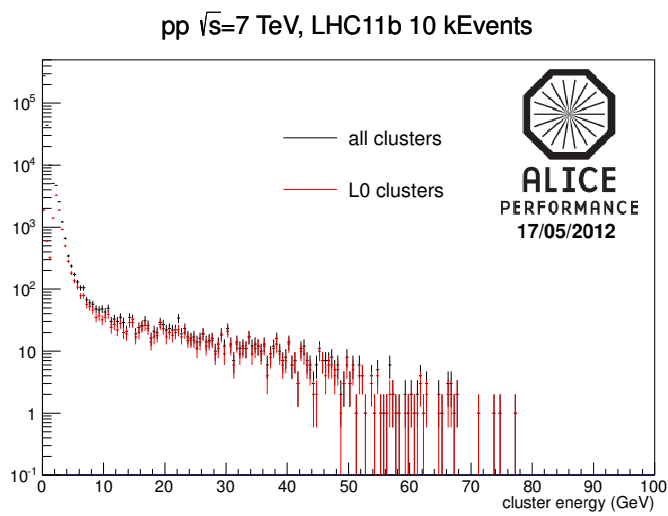


Fig. 16: Energy spectrum for all clusters reconstructed by the EMCal (black points) superposed with the triggered cluster spectrum (i.e. clusters reconstructed which also carry the L0 hardware trigger bit set, red points).

1001 9 Analysis format and code

1002 All the reconstructed particles of all the detectors are kept in a file called **AliESDs.root**. The
1003 detectors must store there the most relevant information which will be used in the analysis.
1004 Together with the **AliESDs.root** file, another file is created with some reference tags of the
1005 simulated events, containing for example the number of events per run. This file is named
1006 **Run0.Event0_1.ESD.tag.root** (1 means that only 1 event was simulated).

1007 In order to do the analysis with the data contained in the ESDs, the only file needed is **AliESDs.root**
1008 in the local directories or a grid collection. No other files are needed in the working directory
1009 (such as **galice.root** nor **EMCAL.*.root**) unless one needs to access the primary particles gener-
1010 ated during the simulation. In that case, the files **galice.root** and **Kinematics.root** are needed
1011 locally. Also, if one want to access to some information of the detector geometry, the **geome-**
1012 **try.root** file is needed.

1013 There are other data analysis containers created from the ESD, the AOD (Analysis Object Data)
1014 with smaller quantity of data for most of the subsystems but for the calorimeters, where we copy
1015 all the information⁴.

1016 9.1 Calorimeter information in ESDs/AODs

1017 The basic calorimeter information needed for analysis is stored in the ESDs or AODs in the
1018 form of **CaloClusters** and **CaloCells** (cell = **EMCal Tower** or **PHOS crystal**). Also there is some
1019 information stored in the AOD/ESD event classes, it will be detailed more in the lines below.
1020 Both AOD and ESD classes derive from virtual classes so that with a similar analysis code and
1021 access methods, we can read both kind of data formats.

1022 9.1.1 AliVEvent (AliESDEvent, AliAODEvent)

1023 Those are manager classes for the event information retrieval. Regarding the calorimeters they
1024 have the following access information (getters) methods⁵:

- 1025 – **AliVCaloCluster *GetCaloCluster(Int_t i)** : Returns a **CaloCluster** listed in position "i"
1026 in the array of **CaloClusters**. It can be either **PHOS** or **EMCal** (**PHOS** list of clusters is
1027 before the **EMCal** list).
- 1028 – **TClonesArray *GetCaloClusters()** : Returns the array with **CaloClusters PHOS+EMCAL**,
1029 Only defined for AODs
- 1030 – **Int_t GetEMCALClusters(TRefArray *clusters) ; Int_t GetPHOSClusters(TRefArray *clus-**
1031 **ters)** : Returns an array with only **EMCal** clusters or only with **PHOS** clusters.
- 1032 – **Int_t GetNumberOfCaloClusters()**: Returns the total number of clusters **PHOS+EMCAL**.
- 1033 – **AliVCaloCells *GetEMCALCells(); AliESDCaloCells *GetPHOSCells()** : Returns the
1034 pointer with the **CaloCells** object for **EMCal** or **PHOS**.

⁴until half 2012 everything but the time of the cells was stored

⁵There are the equivalent setters just have a look to the header file of the class

- 1035 – AliVCaloTrigger *GetCaloTrigger(TString calo) : Access to trigger patch information,
1036 for calo="PHOS" or calo="EMCAL"
- 1037 – const TGeoHMatrix* GetPHOSMatrix(Int_t i); const TGeoHMatrix* GetEMCALMa-
1038 trix(Int_t i): Get the matrices for the transformation of global to local. The transformation
1039 matrices are not stored in the AODs.

1040 **9.1.2 AliVCaloCluster (AliESDCaloCluster, AliAODCaloCluster)**

1041 They contain the information of the calorimeter clusters. Note that PHOS and EMCAL Calo-
1042 Clusters are kept in the same TClonesArray (see above). The information stored in each Calo-
1043 Cluster is :

- 1044 – General
 - 1045 – Int_t GetID(): It returns a unique identifier number for a CaloCluster.
 - 1046 – Char_t GetClusterType(): It returns kPHOSNeutral (kPHOSCharged exists but not
1047 used) or kEMCALClusterv1. Another way to get the origin of the cluster:
 - 1048 – Bool_t IsEMCAL(); Bool_t IsPHOS().
 - 1049 – void GetPosition(Float_t *pos) : It returns a x,y,z array with the global positions of
1050 the clusters in centimeters.
 - 1051 – Double_t E() : It returns the energy of the cluster in GeV units.
 - 1052 – void GetMomentum(TLorentzVector& p, Double_t * vertexPosition) : It fills a TLorentzVec-
1053 tor pointing to the measured vertex of the collision. It also modifies the cluster global
1054 positions to have a vector pointing to the vertex, this has to be corrected. Assumes
1055 that cluster is neutral. To be used only for analysis with clusters not matched with
1056 tracks.
- 1057 – Shower Shape
 - 1058 – Double_t GetDispersion(): Dispersion of the shower.
 - 1059 – Double_t Chi2(): Not filled.
 - 1060 – Double_t GetM20() Double_t GetM02() : Ellipse axis.
 - 1061 – UChar_t GetNExMax() : Number of maxima in cluster. Not filled.
 - 1062 – Double_t *GetPID(): PID weights array, 10 entries corresponding to the ones de-
1063 fined in AliPID.h
 - 1064 – enum EParticleType kElectron = 0, kMuon = 1, kPion = 2, kKaon = 3, kProton = 4,
1065 kPhoton = 5, kPi0 = 6, kNeutron = 7, kKaon0 = 8, kEleCon = 9, kUnknown = 10; :
1066 PID tag numbers, corresponding to the PID array
 - 1067 – Double_t GetDistanceToBadChannel() : Distance of the cluster to closest channel
1068 declared as kDead, kWarm or kHot.
 - 1069 – Double_t GetTOF() : Measured Time of Flight of the cluster.

- 1070 – Track-Cluster matching
 - 1071 – TArrayI * GetTracksMatched(): List of indexes to the likely matched tracks. Tracks
 - 1072 ordered in matching likeliness. If there is no match at all, by default it contains one
 - 1073 entry with value -1. Only in ESDs.
 - 1074 – Int_t GetTrackMatchedIndex(Int_t i): Index of track in position "i" in the list of
 - 1075 indices stored in GetTracksMatched(). Only in ESDs
 - 1076 – Int_t GetNTracksMatched() : Total number of likely matched tracks. Size of Get-
 - 1077 TracksMatched() array.
 - 1078 – Double_t GetEmcCpvDistance() : PHOS method, not used anymore. Use instead
 - 1079 those below.
 - 1080 – Double_t GetTrackDx(void), Double_t GetTrackDz(void): Distance in x and z to
 - 1081 closest track.
 - 1082 – TObject * GetTrackMatched(Int_t i): References to the list of most likely matched
 - 1083 tracks are stored in a TRefArray. This method retrieves the one in position "i". Tracks
 - 1084 are listed in order of likeliness. The TObject is a AliAODTrack. Only for AODs
- 1085 – MonteCarlo labels:
 - 1086 – TArrayI * GetLabels(): List of indexes to the MonteCarlo particles that contribute to
 - 1087 the cluster. Labels ordered in energy contribution.
 - 1088 – Int_t GetLabel(): Index of MonteCarlo particle that deposited more energy in the
 - 1089 cluster. First entry of GetLabels() array.
 - 1090 – Int_t GetLabelAt(UInt_t i): Index of MonteCarlo particle in position i of the array
 - 1091 of MonteCarlo indices.
 - 1092 – Int_t GetNLabels() : Total number of MonteCarlo particles that deposited energy.
 - 1093 Size of GetLabels() array.
- 1094 – Cluster cells
 - 1095 – Int_t GetNCells() : It returns the number of cells that contribute to the cluster.
 - 1096 – UShort_t *GetCellsAbsId(): It returns the array with absolute id number of the cells
 - 1097 contributing to the cluster. Size of the array is given by GetNCells().
 - 1098 – Double32_t *GetCellsAmplitudeFraction(): For cluster unfolding, it returns an array
 - 1099 with the fraction the energy that a cell contributes to the cluster.
 - 1100 – Int_t GetCellAbsId(Int_t i) : It returns the absolute Id number of a cell in the array
 - 1101 between 0 and GetNCells()-1.
 - 1102 – Double_t GetCellAmplitudeFraction(Int_t i) : It returns the amplitude fraction of a
 - 1103 cell in the array between 0 and GetNCells()-1.

1104 **9.1.3 AliVCaloCells (AliESDCaloCells, AliAODCaloCells)**

1105 They contain an array with the amplitude or time of all the cells that fired in the calorimeter
1106 during the event. Notice that per event there will be a CaloCell object with EMCAL cells and
1107 another one with PHOS cells.

- 1108 – Short_t GetNumberOfCells(): Returns number of cells with some energy.
- 1109 – Bool_t IsEMCAL(); Bool_t IsPHOS(); Char_t GetType(): Methods to check the origin of
1110 the AliESDCaloCell object, kEMCALCell or kPHOSCell.
- 1111 – Short_t GetCellNumber(Short_t pos): Given the position in the array of cells (from 0 to
1112 GetNumberOfCells()-1), it returns the absolute cell number (from 0 to NModules*NRows*NColumns
1113 - 1).
- 1114 – Double_t GetCellAmplitude(Short_t cellNumber): Given absolute cell number of a cell
1115 (from 0 to NModules*NRows*NColumns - 1), it returns the measured amplitude of the
1116 cell in GeV units.
- 1117 – Double_t GetCellTime(Short_t cellNumber): Given absolute cell number of a cell (from
1118 0 to NModules*NRows*NColumns - 1), it returns the measured time of the cell in second
1119 units.
- 1120 – Double_t GetAmplitude(Short_t pos): Given the position in the array of cells (from 0 to
1121 GetNumberOfCells()-1), it returns the amplitude of the cell in GeV units.
- 1122 – Double_t GetTime(Short_t pos): Given the position in the array of cells (from 0 to GetNumberOfCells()-
1123 1), it returns the time of the cell in second units.
- 1124 – Double_t GetCellMCLable(Short_t cellNumber): Given absolute cell number of a cell
1125 (from 0 to NModules*NRows*NColumns - 1), it returns the index of the most likely MC
1126 label.
- 1127 – Double_t GetCellEFraction(Short_t cellNumber): Given absolute cell number of a cell
1128 (from 0 to NModules*NRows*NColumns - 1), it returns the fraction of embedded energy
1129 from MC to real data (only for embedding)
- 1130 – Double_t GetMCLLabel(Short_t pos): Given the position in the array of cells (from 0 to
1131 GetNumberOfCells()-1), it returns the index of the most likely MC label.
- 1132 – Double_t GetEFraction(Short_t pos): Given the position in the array of cells (from 0 to
1133 GetNumberOfCells()-1), it returns the fraction of embedded energy from MC to real data
1134 (only for embedding)
- 1135 – Bool_t GetCell(Short_t pos, Short_t &cellNumber, Double_t &litude, Double_t &time,
1136 Short_t &mclabel, Double_t &frac); : For a given position of the list of cells, it fills the
1137 amplitude, time, mc lable and fraction of energy.

1138 **9.1.4 AliVCaloTrigger (AliESDCaloTrigger, AliAODCaloTrigger) - Rachid**

1139 **9.2 Macros**

1140 You can find example macros to run on ESDs or AODs in

1141 `$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/TestESD.C` or `TestAOD.C`

1142 All the ESDs information is filled via the AliEMCALReconstructor/AliPHOSReconstructor
1143 class, in the method FillESD(). The AODs are created via the analysis class

1144 `$ALICE_ROOT/ANALYSIS/AliAnalysisTaskESDfilter.cxx, .h`

1145 and as already mentioned, for the calorimeters it basically just copies all the information from
1146 ESD format to AOD format.

1147 Below is a description of what information is stored and how to retrieve it. The location of the
1148 corresponding classes is

1149 `$ALICE_ROOT/STEER`

1150 **9.3 Code example**

1151 The analysis is done using the data stored in the ESD. The macro

1152 `$ALICE_ROOT/EMCAL/macros/TestESD.C`

1153 is an example of how to read the data for the calorimeters PHOS and EMCal (just replace where
1154 it says EMCAL by PHOS in the macro to obtain PHOS data). For these detectors we have
1155 to use the ESD class AliESDCaloCluster or AliESDCaloCells to retrieve all the calorimeters
1156 information. For the tracking detectors, the class is called AliESDtrack, but the way to use it is
1157 very similar (see “`$ALICE_ROOT/STEER/AliESDtrack.*`”

1158 and “`$ALICE_ROOT/STEER/AliESDCaloCluster*`” for more details). In AliESDCaloCluster
1159 we keep the following cluster information: energy, position, number of Digits that belong to the
1160 cluster, list of the cluster Digits indices, shower dispersion, shower lateral axis and a few more
1161 parameters. In AliESDCaloCells we keep the following tower information: amplitude (GeV),
1162 time (seconds), absolute cell number.

1163 The structure of the ESD testing macro (TestESD.C) is the following:

- 1164 – Lines 0-29: This macro is prepared to be compiled so it has “includes” to all the Root and
1165 AliRoot classes used.
- 1166 – Lines 30-36: This macro prints some information on screen, the kind of information is
1167 set here. We print by default clusters information and optionally, the cells information,
1168 the matches information, the cells in the clusters information or the MonteCarlo original
1169 particle kinematics.
- 1170 – Lines 40-64: Here are the methods used to load AliESDs.root , geometry or kinematics
1171 files. Also loop on ESD event is here.

- 1172 – Lines 65-66 Gets the measured vertex of the collision.
- 1173 – Lines 69-78 Loops on all the CaloCell entries and prints the cell amplitude, absolute
1174 number and time.
- 1175 – Lines 84- end: We access the EMCAL AliESDCaloCluster array and loop on it. We get
1176 the different information from the CaloCluster.
- 1177 – Lines 111-130: Track Matching prints. Access to the matched track stored in AliESD-
1178 track.
- 1179 – Lines 133-159: Cells in cluster prints
- 1180 – Lines 161 - end: Access the stack with the MC information and prints the parameters of
1181 the particle that generated the cluster.

1182 **9.4 Advanced utilities : Reconstruction/corrections of cells, clusters during the analysis**

1183 **9.4.1 *AliEMCALRecoUtils***

1184 **9.4.2 *Tender : AliEMCALTenderSupply***

1185 **10 Run by run QA, how to and code**

1186 **10.1 Online - Francesco, Michael**

1187 DQM, etc

1188 **10.2 Offline - Marie**

1189 Analysis code, what we control, how

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