# Correlation QDC vs. FlashADC 

Runs 219, 228 "up" calorimeter

## The problem

- We routinely measured cosmics and electrons with a 12-bit QDC ( 4096 channels) and all data make sense w.r.t. what is expected
- At BESIII we will sooner or later use an 8-bit Flash ADC; Giulietto's electronics converts integrated charge to a V-signal with a given conversion factor.
- What is this conversion factor? Will we saturate the FADC scale?


## Run 219, cosmics at LNF

- "up" minicalorimeter
- Symmetric external trigger on left and right sides
- HV: "Hamamatsu" 1.4 kV points, gain $\approx$ 1.2•10 ${ }^{6}$, Happy Box present
- Chs. 0,1,2,3 to QDC ch.s 0,1,2,3 (gate 200 ns)
- Chs. 4,5,6,7 sent to FADC, analogic sum to ch. 3 of FADC


## Scanning waveforms

- First 30 ns data ( 15 samples) used to find the baseline on a per-event basis
- Samples 20 to 50 (40 to 100 ns ) used to find the signal peak
- Plot the peak, subtracted from the baseline
- Do the same for channel 3 (analogic sum) and correlate with the sum $(0,1,2,3)$


## Run 219, cosmics, QDC data



- Ch. 0 in the QDC sees 40 pC , with a sigma of 9.5, over a pedestal of $15.9 \rightarrow 24 \mathrm{pC}$. Other channels see $43,47,45 \mathrm{pC}$ after pedestal subtraction; in fact they have twice the track length of ch.0.


## Run 219, FADC, all triggers







## The summing amplifier



There is only a slight effect of bending, or saturation, close to the end of the scale.

The summing amplifier works fine, irrespective of resolution loss.
The FADC exits have an extra factor 2 w.r.t. the MON exits, used for the SUM


## Clean up the trigger!








## Run 219, FADC, trigger cleanup





Peak in channels $5,6,7$ is a factor 2 higher than in channel 4, just as expected. This is a good thing!

## Summary of facts

- Ch. 3 is the SUM out of "far" NIM modules
- Ch. 4 is, by construction, identical to ch. 0 and, by trigger configuration, should see exactly the same charge as ch. 0 (in QDC and FADC)
- Fitting the FADC ch. 4 peak we see an average of 0.26 V with a sigma of 0.12 V (pedestal subtracted)
- Conversion factor is $(260 / 24 \approx 11) \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{pC}$


## Is this OK?

- In cosmics, we see 16 MeV , divided 2.29:4.57:4.57:4.57 in the 4 channels $0(4), 1(5), 2(6), 3(7)$
- FADC ch. 4 ( $4 \mathrm{mV} /$ count, 256 counts) sees 300 $\mathrm{mV} / 2.29 \mathrm{MeV}$, that is $33 \mathrm{cts} / \mathrm{MeV}$ : ch. 4 will saturate at 7 MeV of deposited energy. Even before, considering peak widths.
- .....it's really not OK! The gain is way too high


## What about 450 MeV electrons?

- We see in the scintillating fibers $12 \%$ of the electron energy, that is 50 MeV
- Shower profile ratioes are, from BTF data, 0.1:0.5:0.3:0.1: 5, 25, 15, 5 MeV in chs. 4 to 7
- All channels would saturate, ch. 5 first
- This is more than an order of magnitude too much
- We must reduce gain by at least one order of magnitude, reducing HV and using the "MON" exit of the yellow NIM modules (factor 2 less than "FADC" exits).


## Run 228, cosmics at LNF

- "up" minicalorimeter
- HV: "corrected" 1.4 kV points, gain $\approx 1.2 \cdot 10^{6}$, Happy Box not present
- Ch. 0,1,2,3 sent to QDC (gate 200 ns )
- Ch. 4,5,6,7 sent to FADC chs. $0,1,2,3$, analogic sum to ch. 4 of FADC


## Run 228, cosmics, QDC data






| Ch | Ped $(p C)$ | Peak (pC) | Gain (pC) | $\sigma(p C)$ | $\sigma / E(\%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 16.1 | $(27.2 \pm 0.3)$ | 11.1 | $(4.2 \pm 0.3)$ | $38 \%$ |
| 1 | 15.7 | $(36.2 \pm 0.9)$ | 20.5 | $(7.2 \pm 1.0)$ | $35 \%$ |
| 2 | 14.1 | $(35.9 \pm 1.0)$ | 21.9 | $(6.8 \pm 0.7)$ | $31 \%$ |
| 3 | 15.6 | $(37.6 \pm 0.7)$ | 22.0 | $(5.5 \pm 0.8)$ | $25 \%$ |

## Run 228, FADC, trigger cleanup







Peak in channels $1,2,3$ is a factor 2 higher than in channel 0 , just as expected. This is a good thing!

## Run 228, FADC, trigger cleanup

| Ch | Peak (mV) | $\sigma(\mathrm{mV})$ | $\sigma / E(\%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | $(142 \pm 10)$ | $(63 \pm 20)$ | 44 |
| 1 | $(323 \pm 23)$ | $(109 \pm 34)$ | 38 |
| 2 | $(383 \pm 25)$ | $(102 \pm 40)$ | 27 |
| 3 | $(316 \pm 57)$ | $(162 \pm 91)$ | 51 |
| SUM | $(644 \pm 30)$ | $(136 \pm 47)$ | 21 |

- Unfortunately, a small sample (1 day only)
- $\sigma /$ E seems bigger in the FADC chain than in the QDC one, but need more stat
- Channel values now in range (cfr. slide 7) at least for cosmics


## Summary

- The maximum gain for cosmics running is about 6.105
- This can be achieved running without Happy Box, and/or using the "MON" exit of the yellow SELF modules
- Maximum gain for BESIII running hard to predict, probably $\approx 10^{5}$ or less
- This is required also because of high rates

