



Muon Group Software Report

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- This past months a lot of work on Muon Detector logical layout (regions, granularity, strips/pads) and technology specific studies have been done
 - Studies performed in SICb
 - Final versions of private software will be made public in the next 2 weeks and following
 - Very little work done in Gaudi
- Decisions on open questions (e.g. chambers configuration) to be taken by the summer
 - Dedicated muon geometry studies
 - By end of June a new muon geometry description (code and database) for SICbMC

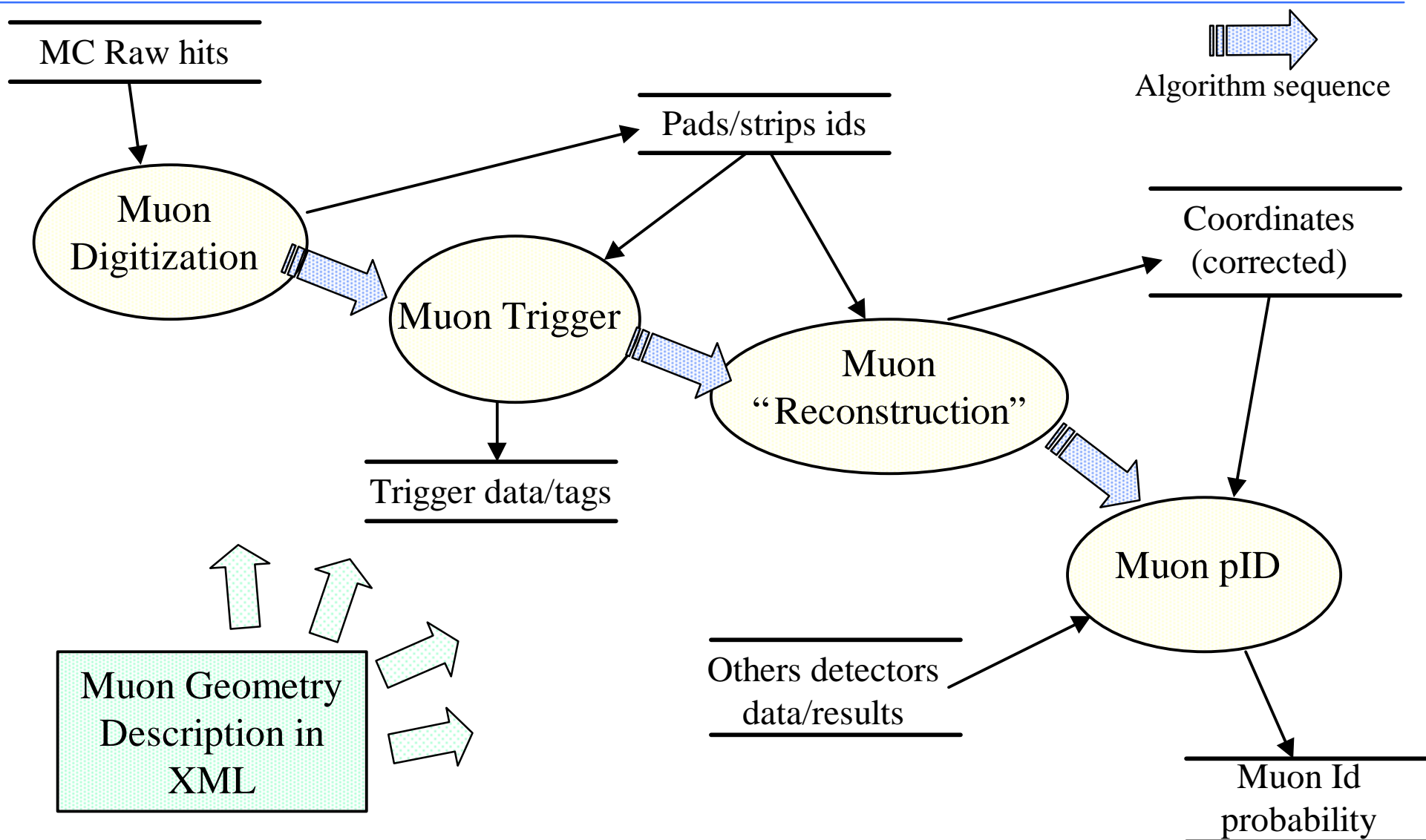


“Current” Software changes/improvements

- Bug fixes
- Logical Layout
 - January 2000 layout (1 week)
 - improved x granularity in Region 1 for Stations 2 and 3
 - slightly improved x granularity in Region 1 for Stations 4 and 5 (related to physical layout)
- Digitization
 - Private mufillpd that handles digitization of strips
 - Cross Talk and Noise, developed in Rio is under test for SICb v222 (2 weeks)
 - Timing, developed in Rome I (4 weeks)

- Optimization of chamber configuration
 - Muon dedicated studies for geometrical description of modules in the stations (CERN, Rio, Rome I)
 - database and code changes
 - specialized generation of data, not in LHCb standard production
 - Final layout will included in SICbMC for LCHb production shortly afterwards

- SICbMC / SICbDST tests to prove they are equivalent to SICb
 - Some test data has been produced (by Eric), Paul will check it for the muon software next week
- Quality Assurance plots exist in various muon tasks code
 - Paul is in the process of collecting them and will provide routines for the standard productions of SICbMC and SICbDST



- Muon Digitization (Rio, +?)
 - prototype for Gaudi v2, reading SICb DBASE v116 exists
 - **work in progress** to move to Gaudi v3, SICb DBASE v220 (change in muon.cdf structure)
 - will use XML detector description
 - new features: noise, cross talk, timing, etc...
- XML detector description (Rio)
 - work will start after the prototype of the digitization will be moved
- Muon trigger (Marseille)
 - design ideas presented by Paul in a Software Week
- Muon reconstruction
- Muon I D
 - studies being done in Fortran/SICb at the moment by Alison
 - Rio has expressed an interest in developing it in OO

- Muon geometry simulation based on GEANT4 in the Gaudi Framework
 - we need to be ready for when SICbMC will be retired
 - work should start in about 6 months to gain the expertise necessary
 - what about physics background in the muon system?
 - is GEANT4 going to be sufficient ?
 - do we need to look into other packages ?
 - parameterization ?