Characterizing Unresponsive Channels

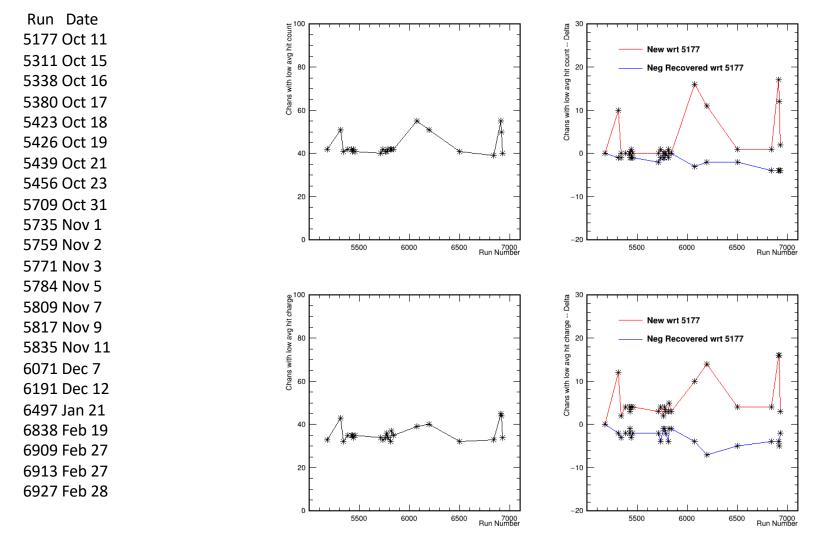
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From Last Time

History of Unresponsive Channel Counts



I read just one file from each run, and demanded all channels be represented in the DAQ using RDTimeStamp data products



Looking at Individual Channels

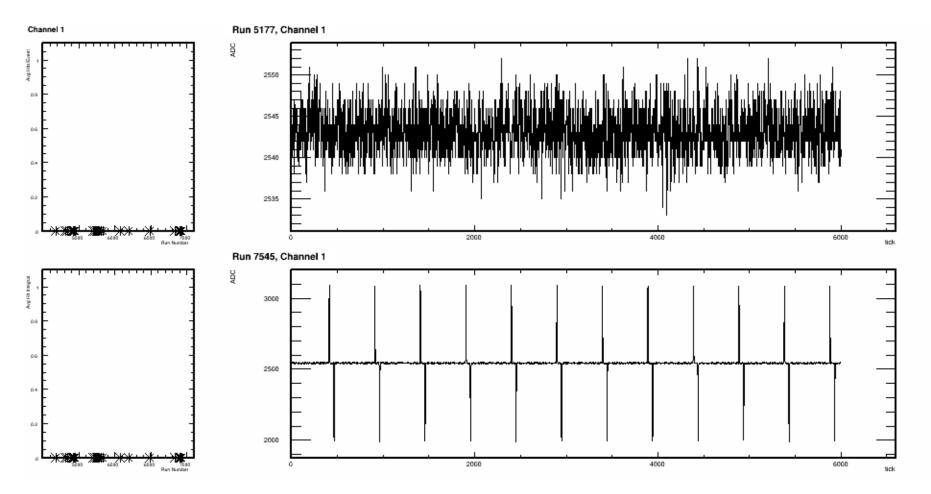
- 70 channels were flagged as being bad in one or more runs on that list.
- Criteria: avg nhits/event < 0.5 or mean hit integral < 100 ADCticks (hits have to be > 80 ADC-ticks) flags a channel "bad" for a run.
- 40 channels look more or less solidly bad, others come and go.
- Are they dead electronics, APA connection/missing wire, or just slipped below the cut for one run (e.g. APA 3 grid charging up makes for low hit counts and charges).



Checking a Channel

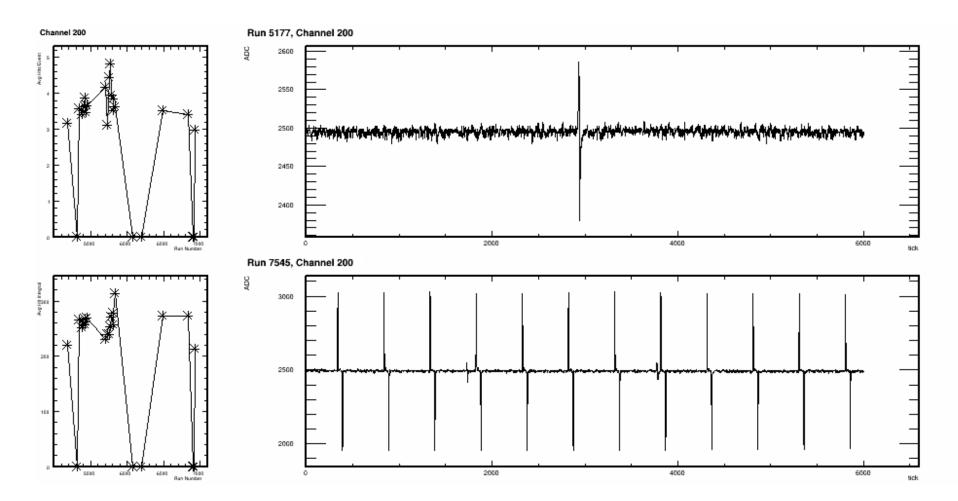
- Look at the waveform in an event in Run 5177 (Oct 10, 2018) and Pulser Run 7545 (April 10, 2019)
- Show history plots of average nhits/event and avg hit Integrals alongside
- Judge whether hits are present or absent, or died partway through the run.
- Pulser response most of electronics functionality + DAQ is working.
- Can see if a channel just is intermittently on the list
- I'll show just one example of each category of channel behavior that looks different.





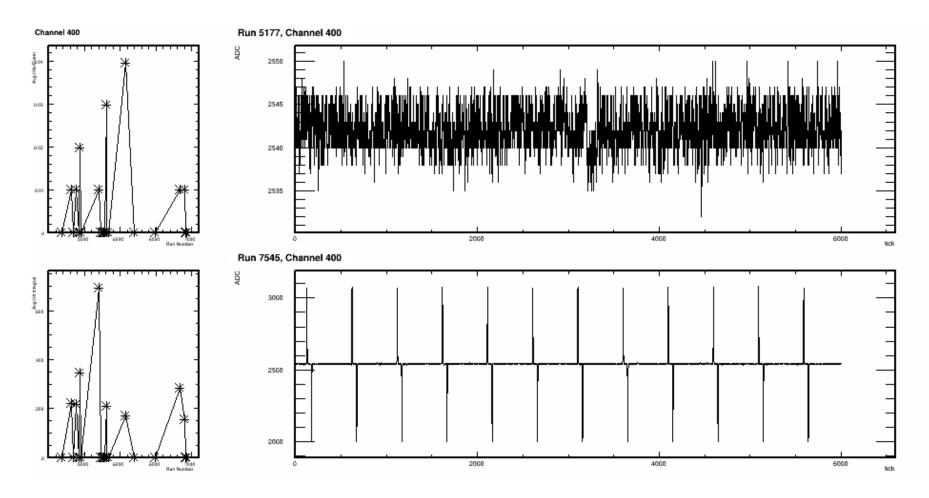
Never sees any hits. Responded to pulser April 10. Suspect wire missing or disconnected.

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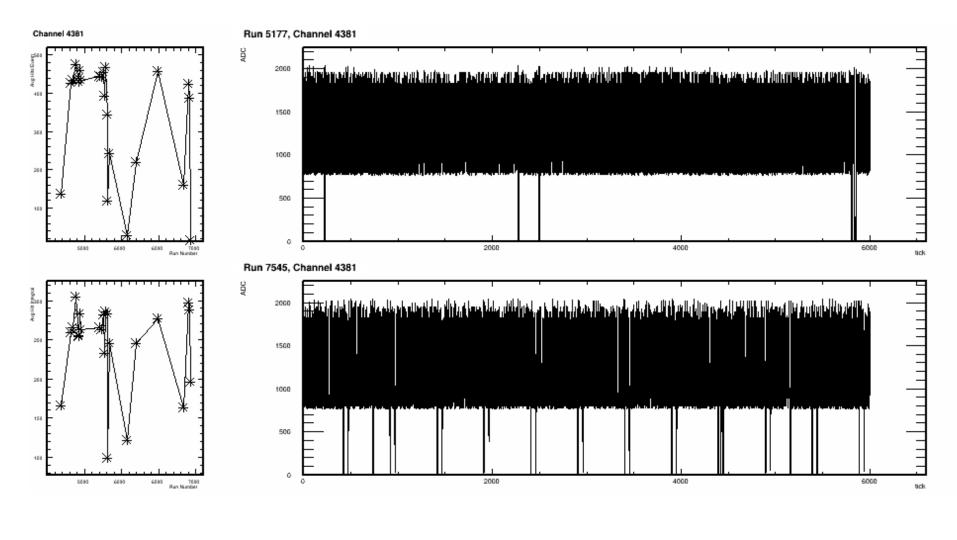
Looks like it intermittently doesn't see hits. Responds to pulser on April 10

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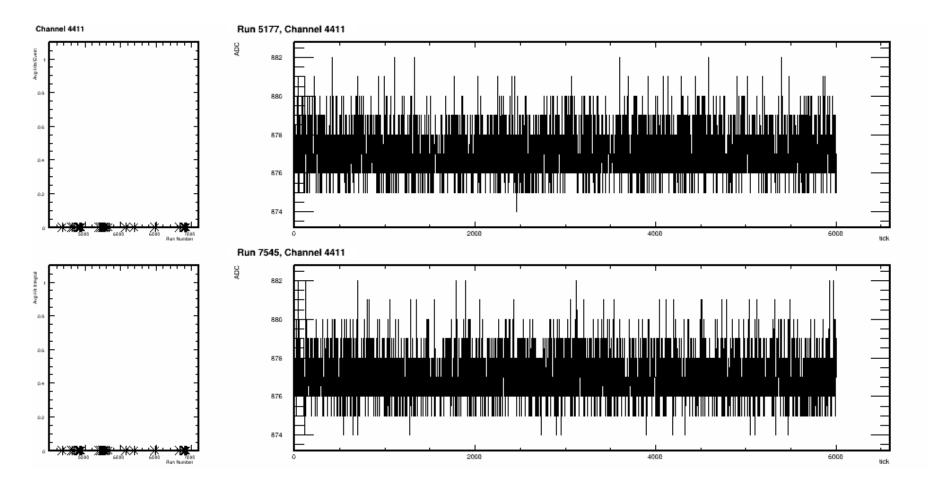
A lot like channel 1 – almost no hits/event but evidence of noise – large integrals when there are hits. Suspect wire missing or disconnected.





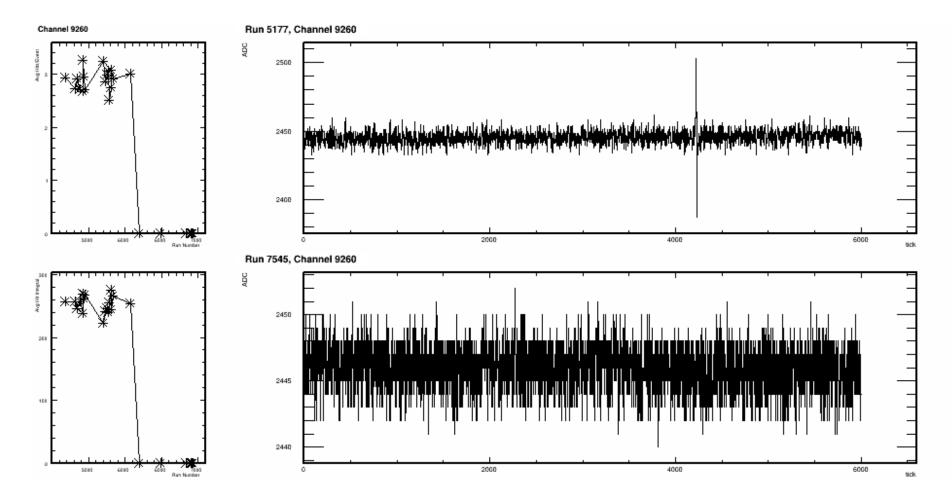






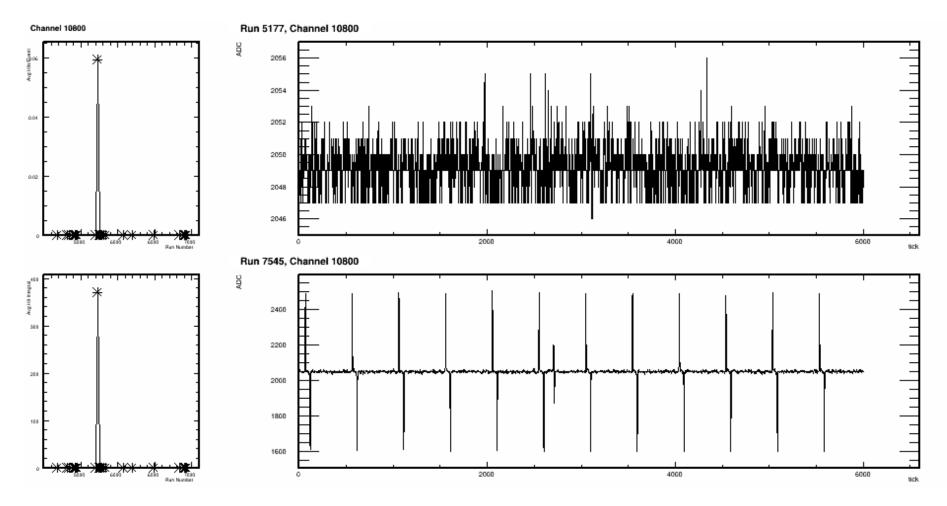
Electronics looks dead. No hits and no pulser response

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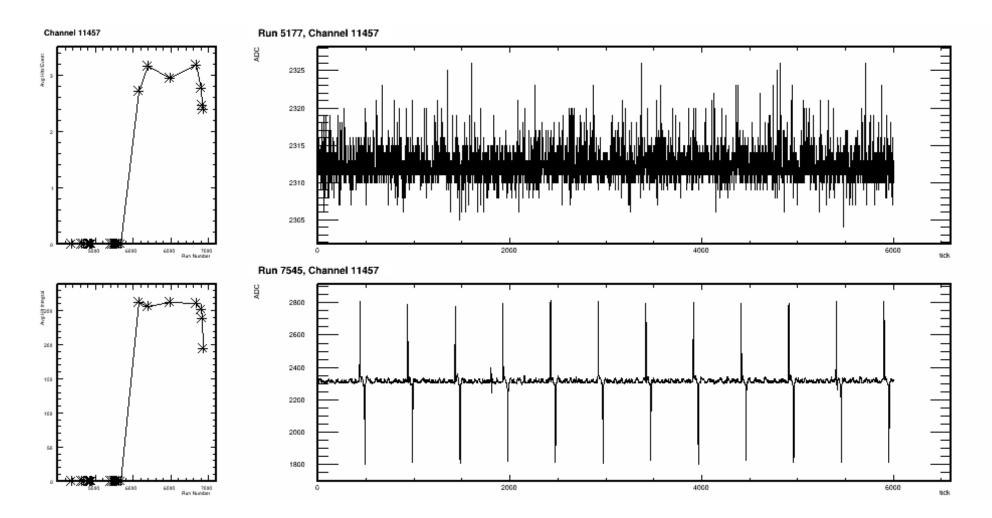
Looks like the electronics died some time after run 6000

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Very confusing – hardly ever sees hits but there's one in the pulser waveform. Going to call this one disconnected.

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Was unresponsive, but starts responding partway through the run



Summary Statistics

- No hits but sees pulser in run 7545. Missing or disconnected wire candidates
 31 channels
- No hits and no pulses: Dead or noisy electronics.
 6 channels
- Hits and pulses, just intermittent drops in averages:
 30 channels
- Channel electronics stopped working partway through run:
 1 channel
- Channel electronics started working partway through run:
 2 channels
- N.b. Cryostat-side collection-plane channels not studied.

