

CRP5 Summary of Issues from Coldbox Test

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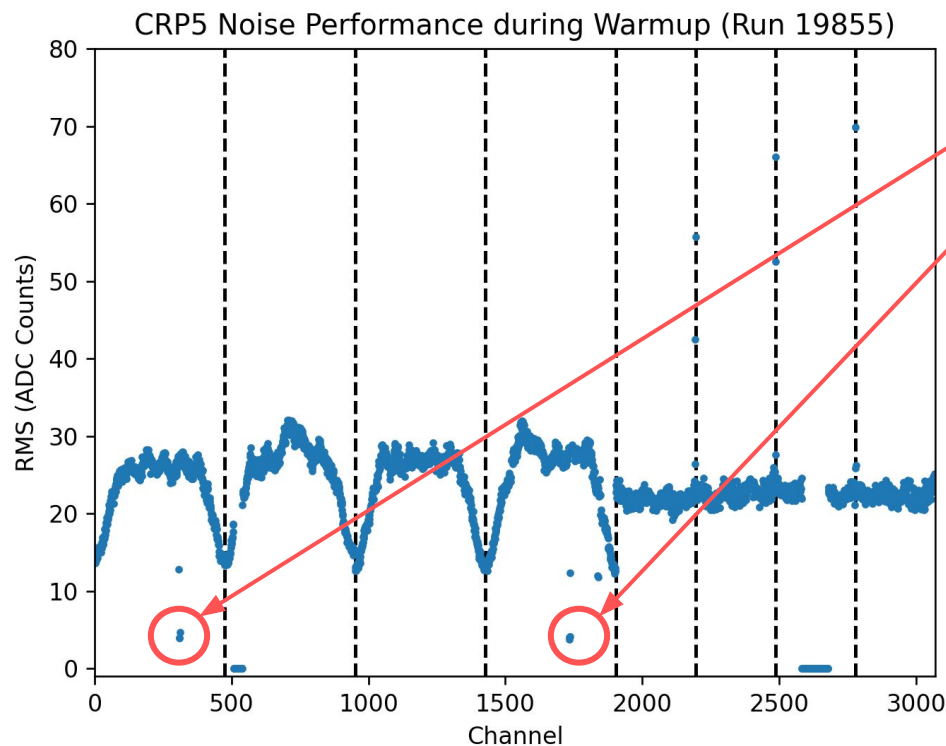
Issues Observed during CRP5 Coldbox Test

- FEMB-11 received no clock signal in LAr, and 7 other FEMBs (1, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17) were seeing corrupted data with varying degrees of frequency
 - These problems all only first appeared in LAr, and disappeared again after warmup
 - FEMB-11 was unusable without a clock signal
 - FEMBs sending corrupted data were usable, but were not reliable
 - These issues are currently all suspected to be due to flaky connections in the cold
- FEMB-5 and FEMB-20 both had 3 channels die during warmup
 - These FEMBs are both now replaced, but the cause of this is still under investigation
- FEMB-5's short power cable was pinched and shorted at the patch panel during warm tests, but was insulated with a teflon wrap for the coldbox test
 - This cable is now replaced as well
- Low frequency microphonic-like noise on some strips when CRP HV bias is on
 - Most of CRP5B's U layer was missing the HV bias connection during this run, which may be related

Corrupted Data

- The WIBs verify a checksum calculated for each ColdADC's block of data, and raise a flag when this checksum is failed
 - Failure indicates a problem with the transmission of digital data between the FEMB and the WIB
 - Channels with this problem can sometimes still be usable, but will not be reliable
 - This can be caused by imperfect transmission at connection points
- In the best case, we still receive steady data, but with some blocks of channels sometimes having one digitization period flagged as bad
- In the worst case, these errors cause entire frames to get randomly dropped from a datalink (= loss of one digitized sample from 256 channels)
- FEMB 9 and 10 saw this problem most prominently, with error rates of $\gg 1$ Hz on half their channels
- Other FEMBs saw the errors with rates ranging from ~ 1 Hz to < 0.01 Hz

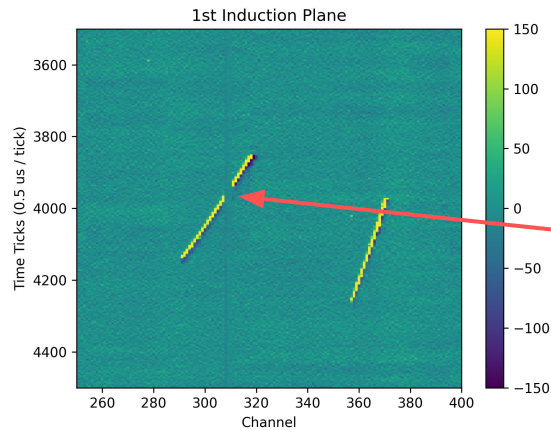
Dead Channels



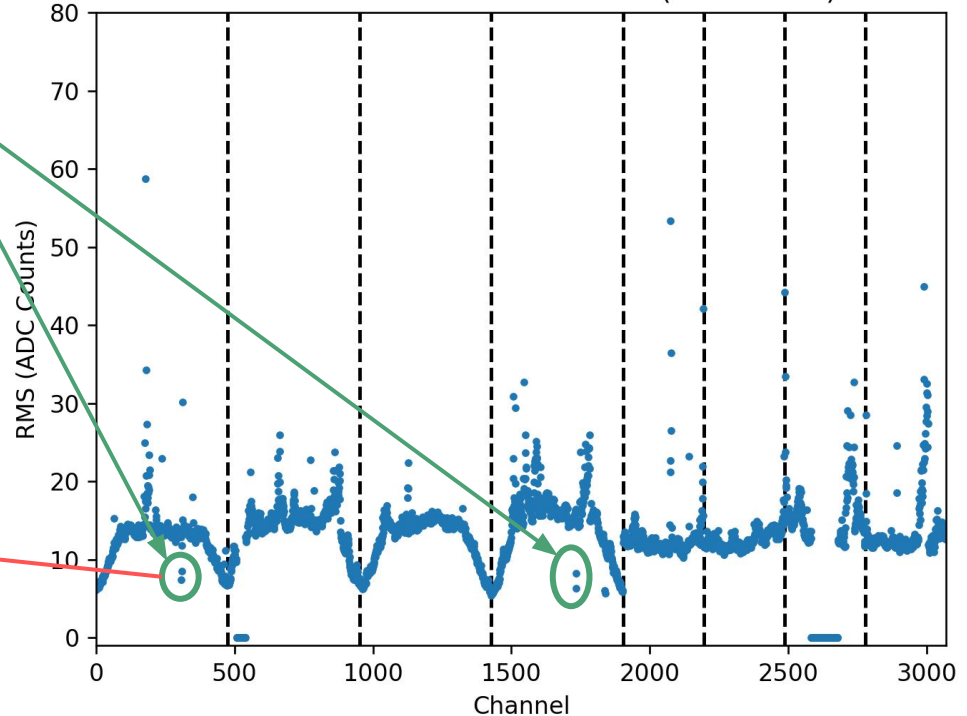
- During warmup we lost 3 channels on each of FEMB-5 and FEMB-20
 - Channels no longer respond to pulsers
- Channels all had normal response in initial LAr data
- Channels died one at a time during warmup

Dead channels before they died

- The channels that eventually died were part of channel clusters that had connectivity issues at cold
 - But were still responding normally to internal pulsers at the time



(Cathode and Anode HV On)
CRP5 Noise Performance in LAr (Run 19400)



Summary of Dead Channels

List of dead channels :

- Feb 18, 11 : 42 am : Channel 311 – FEMB 20
- Feb 20, 05 : 28 am : Channel 1736 – FEMB 5
- Feb 20, 06 : 38 am : Channel 1734 – FEMB 5
- Feb 20, 08 : 10 am : Channel 310 – FEMB 20
- Feb 20, 09 : 58 am : Channel 309 – FEMB 20
- Feb 20, 10 : 14 am : Channel 1735 – FEMB 5

Dead channels for FEMB 20 : 309, 310, 311

- 309 : ASIC 7 ----- Channel 8
- 310 : ASIC 7 ----- Channel 7
- 311 : ASIC 7 ----- Channel 6

Dead channels for FEMB 5 : 1734, 1735, 1736

- 1734 : ASIC 1 ----- Channel 11
- 1735 : ASIC 1 ----- Channel 10
- 1736 : ASIC 1 ----- Channel 9

FEMB-5 Damaged Power Cable

- Short power cable was damaged by the patch panel clamp, causing an electrical connection between the clamp and the inner conductor
- This was found before the coldbox test and remedied with a teflon sleeve, but the **cable is now replaced**



Other fixes on CRP5

- **Patch panel + patch panel support for FEMBs 7-12 have been replaced, using a new patch panel support as well**
 - Inspection of the removed patch panel shows a possible damaged solder joint for the FEMB11 connector (which lost its clock signal in LAr)
- **FEMBs 5 and 20 have been replaced with new ones**
 - New FEMBs show normal electronics response, but the channels that died on the old FEMB 5 and 20 still show as open-like channels on the new ones

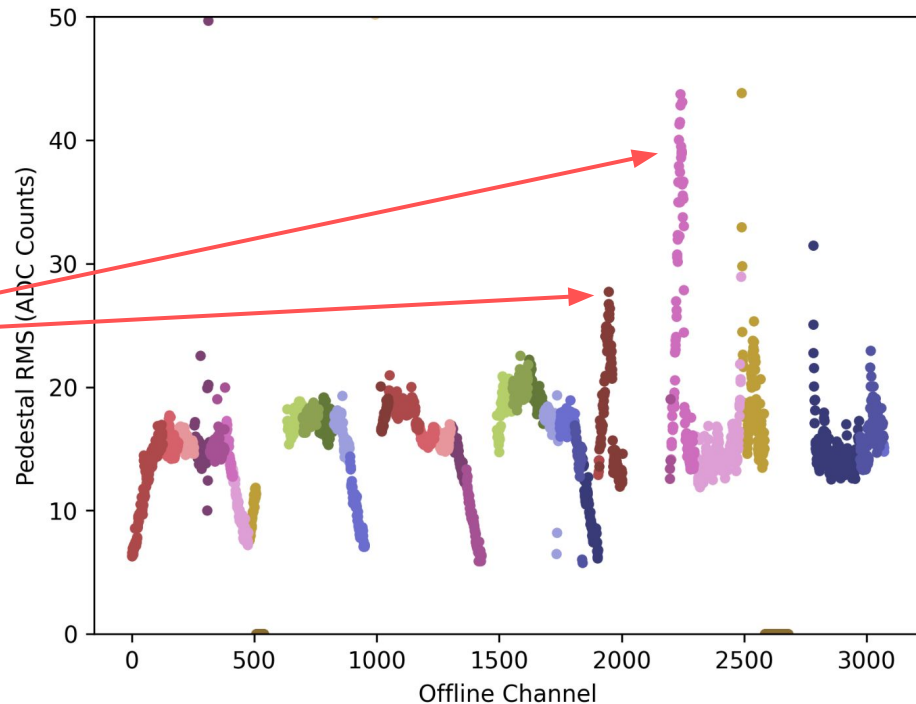
Summary

- The driving issue for considering a retest of CRP5 is the clock/data issue that appeared in LAr, which is **presumed to be due to imperfect data connections at the patch panel level when cold**
- Whether this is a systematic problem or a human-error problem, we need to better understand it or it may just happen again when NP02 is filled
 - The forthcoming cold results from CRP4 will shed light on which case is more likely
- Warm tests may shed light on the possible causes, but we probably cannot be confident of any proposed solution unless we actually test it in cold again

- The damaged FEMBs are also a concern, but it's not clear that a retest of the whole CRP would shed light on how they were damaged
 - (Unless it happens again)
 - Damaged FEMBs will be sent to BNL for more thorough debugging

Microphonic Noise

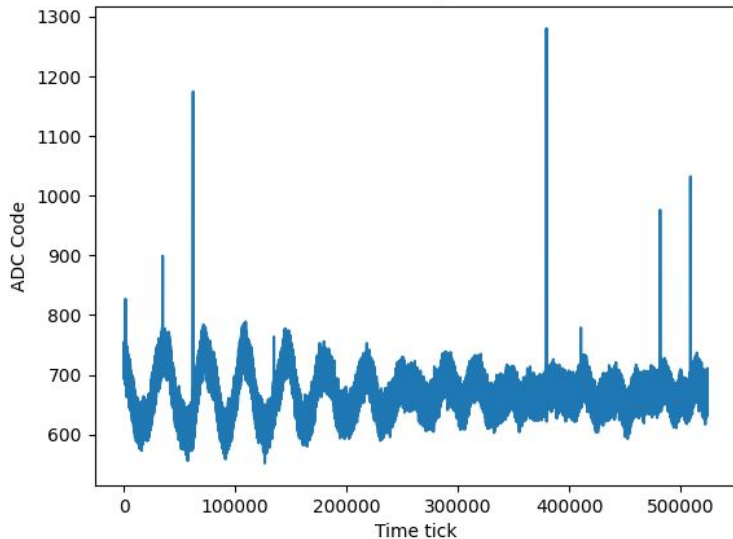
- Using very long readout windows (268 ms), we can see some strips experiencing large baseline oscillations



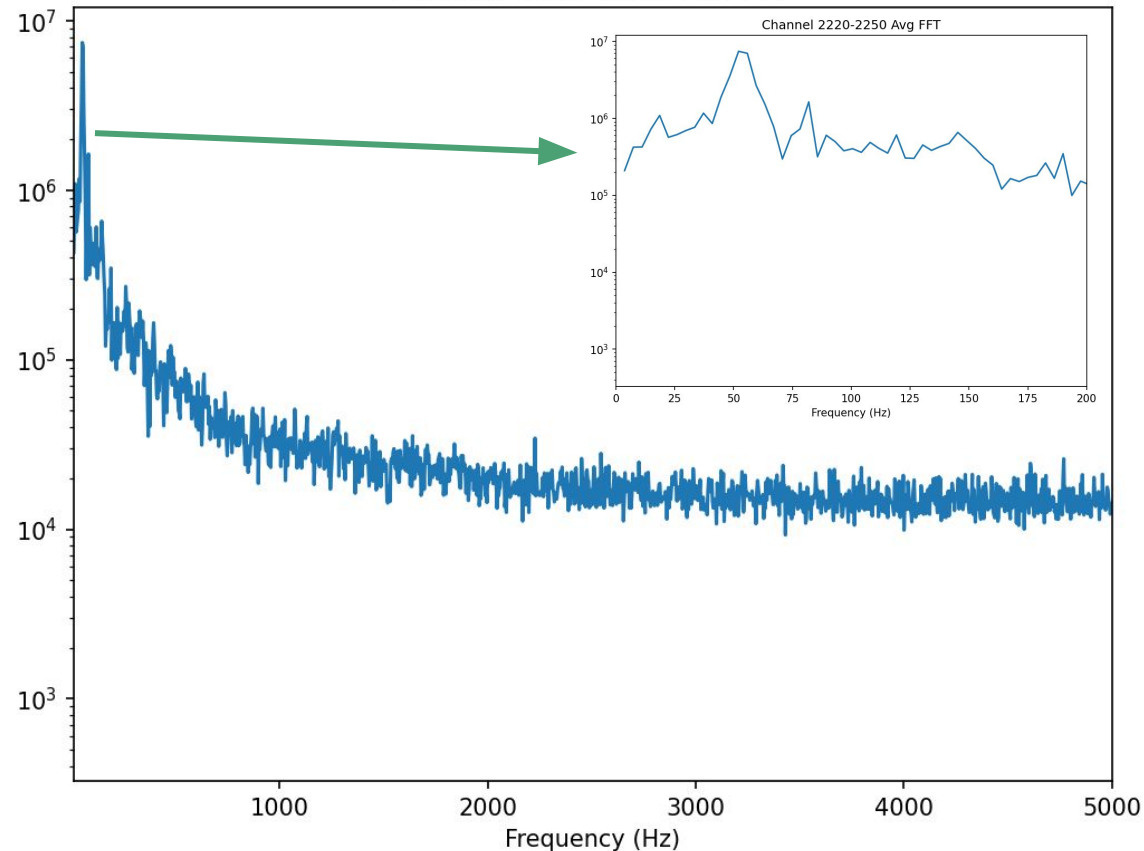
Microphonic Noise

- Very slow (<100 Hz) baseline oscillations, but with significant amplitude

Offline ch 2234, RMS 32.2



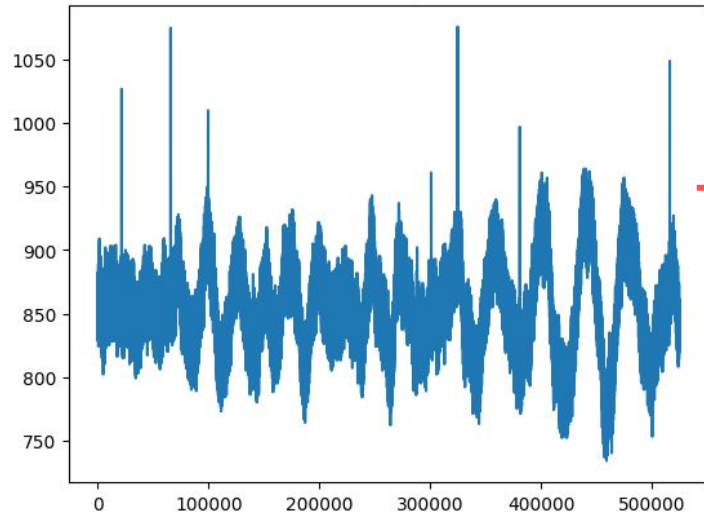
Channel 2220-2250 Avg FFT



Relation to High Voltage Bias

- This very-low frequency effect only appears when anode bias is on
- Amplitude decreases as HV level is decreased
- Turning off collection bias but keeping induction bias results in visible oscillations on some induction strips but no collection strips

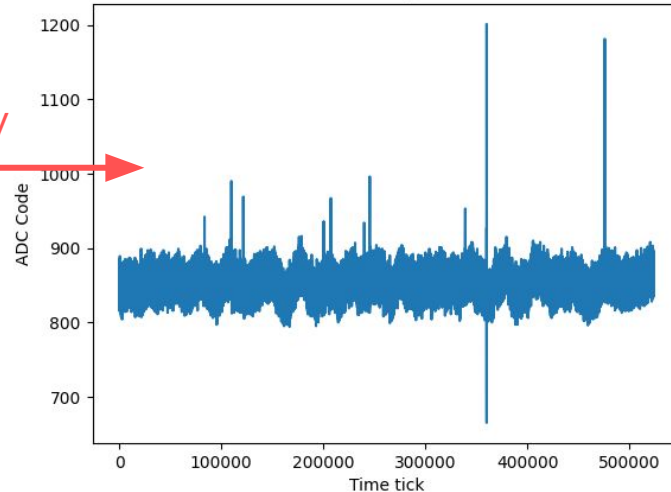
Offline ch 1946, RMS 32.6



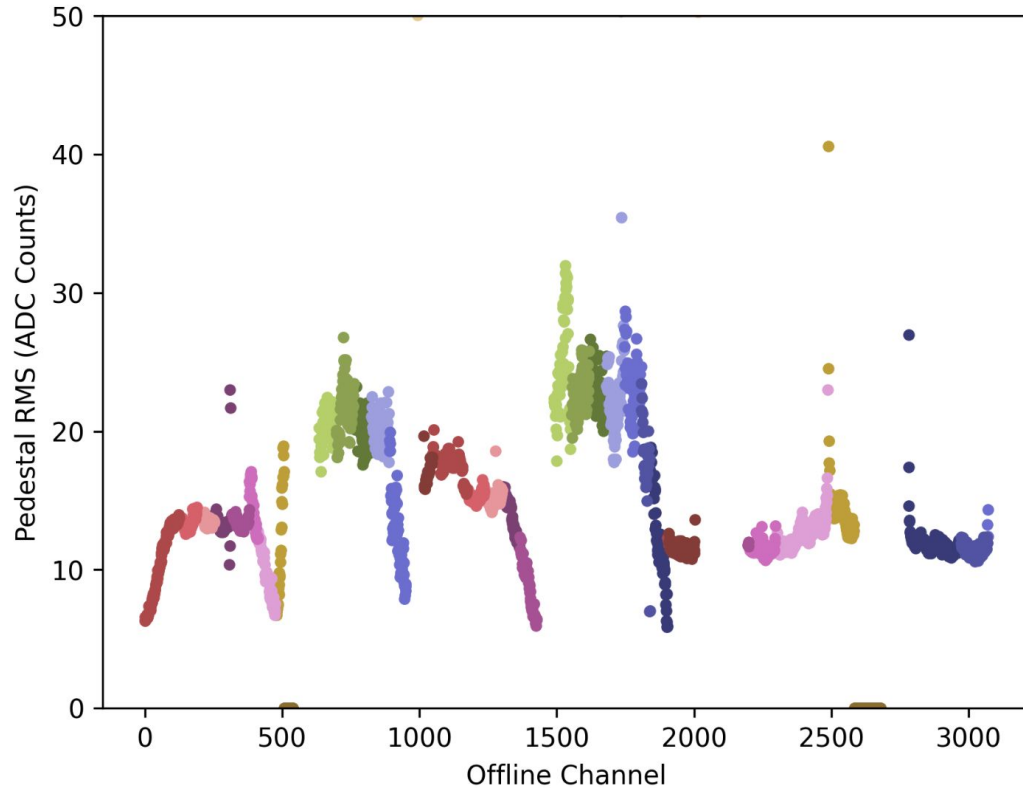
50% HV



Offline ch 1946, RMS 13.9



Without Collection Bias



- Removing collection bias but keeping induction bias causes oscillations to disappear from collection channels

