Hi,
I did find the time to check the tpc digitization problem with the modified version of FairLinks
from Tobias.

To perform the check, I have used a lenny64 machine at GSI.

I have tried the standard "jan10" external packages -> crash
I have tried the trunk external packages -> crash
I have tried Tobias development version of Links and jan10 -> crash

In this sense, it seems Tobias' changes do not improve the situation. By the way, I had to
comment out GEM because they were hanging the digitization with the dev links, probably
there is something wrong inside.

From my side, the last think to try is to run it on a machine w/o nfs to see if this is the cause.