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Subject: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 08:09:44 GMT  
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Hello,

sorry to bother you again, but there is still one very serious problem left in our simulation. We produce events with PndDpmDirect, and then do the full chain with digi, reco, kalman and makeTCands. For analysis, we use PndEventReader, and here comes the problem: All detected particles have a PDG ID of zero, of course very contrary to the McTruth values. Thus, all other selectors than Neutral, Charged, All or McTruth of the FillList method produce empty lists. So, what could be the reason for that behaviour?

Kind regards  
Christian

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 08:21:32 GMT  
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As I have said in some other thread and at the meeting,  
at the moment the PndEvtReader is not working properly due to the recent changes in the code.

This means that if you want to use makeTCands.C then you have to go to the svn release of the Torino tutorial.

If you want the use latter versions if the trunk, then you have to wait for the fix, in order to have rho working properly.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 08:27:16 GMT  
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We already use the svn revision of the Torino tutorial, since the simulation did not run properly at all due to the recent changes with the latest revisions ...

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Klaus Götzen](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 08:48:38 GMT  
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Hi Christian,

unfortunately I'm on a conference and therefore most likely am not able to take a closer look until end of next week.

What I just can tell is that particles from the full sim don't have a reasonable PDG code out of

the box. The idea is that the selectors set the corresponding mass when a particle is accepted. The selector of course does not take a look to a PDG code, and it doesn't set one I think. The PDG code in the interface is only used by mc truth particles as far as I remember.

That the lists are empty obviously has a different reason, but I cannot tell at the moment. I was working on the PndEventReader just before I left and checked in new stuff, but you told that you are anyway using an older revision.

I'll take a look as soon as possible.

Cheers and sorry for the inconvenience,

Klaus

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 08:57:39 GMT  
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Alright, then the fact that the lists are empty has another cause. It just seemed reasonable since the charges of the particles are there with +1 / -1 while the PDG IDs are all 0 ...

Kind regards  
Christian

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 09:06:09 GMT  
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COuld you please attach the log output of your reco/fit/makeTCands macro? Just to see if maybe some messages could help to udnerstand what is going on... maybe launched with few events.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 09:15:37 GMT  
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The original log file would be huge (more than 10.000 events), so I have cut out most of the middle part, but the essential information should be still there.

EDIT: Sorry, I have forgotten the other two, they'll follow in a moment!

#### File Attachments

1) [5-microwriter.log.part](#), downloaded 416 times

Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 09:29:19 GMT  
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Again most of the middle part "headed" / "tailed" out ...

Still, we have all those fitter exceptions in the kalman. That might be related to the problem.

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- 1) [4-kalman.log.part](#), downloaded 457 times
  - 2) [3-reco.log.part](#), downloaded 453 times
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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 10:00:03 GMT  
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Hi,  
I can see different strange things in your log files:

Warning in <TStreamerInfo::BuildCheck>:

The StreamerInfo of class PndDpmDirect read from file data\_0/params\_sttcombi.root has the same version (=1) as the active class but a different checksum.  
You should update the version to ClassDef(PndDpmDirect,2).  
Do not try to write objects with the current class definition,  
the files will not be readable.

It seems you are using for the reconstruction a svn release different from the one used for the simulation. Is it possible?

Or maybe you have first done a test with some other svn version, then you have updated your system to a different version of pandaroot and you have restarted the macros without cleaning the old files (therefore, you are still using the old params\_sttcombi.root).

Warning in <TClass::TClass>: no dictionary for class PndGemDetector is available

This should be related to the files with the "old" pandaroot, like in the previous case.

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-W FairRunAna : File has less events than requested!!

File contains : 5221 Events

Requested number of events = 12500 Events

The number of events is set to 5221 Events

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Maybe you have produced a too big file in simulation, which is split into more files. The macros are tuned to run a single file, you are not using the "add" method and then you are reconstructing only a part of the event. You could try to run 5000 events, which stay in only a single file, to check if it works or not.

Then...

```
*** Event # 1
===== PndLheHitsMaker =====
Total number of hits for tracking: 0
Total number of tracks in TPC: 0
    Good tracks in TPC: 0
Working with 0 hits
found 0 tracks
finder : Real Time = 0.00 seconds Cpu Time = 0.00 seconds
===== PndTpcLheTrackFitter =====
Number of tracks for fitting 0
===== PndLhePidMaker: Number of tracks for pid 0
```

There is some problem in the digitization, you have no hits and then no tracks are created -> the lists are empty after makeTCands.  
The log files of sim and digi could be helpful to understand what is wrong.

Then, I would suggest to run fewer events, checking the pandaroot version and being sure that the old files are removed.

Then, if the error persists, please attach the log file also for sim and digi. I think that for this "release" mismatch the digi macro is not able to read properly the sim file, and then some hit containers could be read as empty or not properly filled.

If this is not the case... I don't know...

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 11:36:33 GMT  
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Thanks for your help. You were right about concerning the old root files -- I had those files from the other revision still in the directory.

Unfortunately, the result is not really better now. Contrary, I now get a total crash already in the reco macro, which happens at the initialization. I have included the reco log with the error output, and also the sim and digi log, just did 20 events this time. The revision is definitely that from the Torino tutorial.

Just to be sure, would that be correct procedure for updating and compiling the code:

```
cd trunk
svn update -r XXX
rm -r CMakeCache.txt CMakeFiles
cd ../build
cmake ../trunk
make
```

Have I forgotten anything? Maybe a make clean somewhere? Or anything else?

My colleague Paul Bühler has installed indenpendently from me his own version of Panda

ROOT (on the same machine, but in his directory). He uses the current revision. The weird thing is, that his reco task crashes at exactly the same point as mine, and we have so far no clue why.

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#### File Attachments

- 1) [3-reco.log](#), downloaded 436 times
  - 2) [1-sim.log](#), downloaded 425 times
  - 3) [2-digi.log](#), downloaded 433 times
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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 13:17:57 GMT  
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You mean:

`cmake ../trunk`

isn't it?

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Thu, 10 Sep 2009 13:19:57 GMT  
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Of course,

`cmake ../trunk`

it should be.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 09:51:43 GMT  
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I have just rerun the simulation and corrected some errors concerning the GEM detectors, and the revision is now 5858 (needed for GEM). It does not make a difference anyway. The sim still crashes at the reco task. Logs are included. Any idea?

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#### File Attachments

- 1) [1-sim.log](#), downloaded 389 times
  - 2) [2-digi.log](#), downloaded 409 times
  - 3) [3-reco.log](#), downloaded 411 times
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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Ralf Kliemt](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 10:34:26 GMT  
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Hello Christian,

I suggest you rerun the reco with a debugger.

```
~/pandaroot/mystuff/analysis> gdb --args root.exe run_reco_sttcombi.C\5,0\
```

Type r (run) to start the program and on the segfault use bt (backtrace) the problem (to quit use q).

You might want to post the output here.

Kind regards, Ralf.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 12:15:57 GMT

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Alright, thanks a lot, but before using gdb, there is something important Paul Bühler has just found out: As I have mentioned before, we slightly modified the class PndDpmDirect for our needs. Basically, I have overloaded the constructor of the class, so that it is possible to pass a TF1 pointer to the class, representing an axial gas density distribution. However, the "untouched" original constructor is still there as well, taking only two arguments, pbar momentum and mode.

Now comes the weird thing: If we use the unmodified original source code from the svn, everything runs fine. If we, however, compile the code with our modified PndDpmDirect, the crash occurs even when we call PndDpmDirect with the two arguments only.

So, what is it we have forgotten in implementing our changes to the class?

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Ralf Kliemt](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 13:15:32 GMT

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Hello,

In fact it is really hard to tell without being able to look at the code. I suggest you create a folder in the development branch where you put the changes.

For more hints see here.

Kind regards, Ralf.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 13:26:51 GMT

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The problem is now gone -- Paul has changed the code a little bit, so that the TF1 object is not a data element of the class any more. Instead, it is only a global variable within the class implementation. I will still put the two different versions in a directory in the development branch since I'm really interested what the actual problem was.

Kind regards  
Christian

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 14:06:06 GMT  
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Wouldn't I need a login for the svn to add anything? At least my svn prompts me for login / password when trying to add a new folder in development.

Anyway, I have attached old (crashing) and new (not crashing) version of PndDpmDirect to the message.

Kind regards  
Christian

#### File Attachments

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- 1) [PndDpmDirect.cxx](#), downloaded 426 times
  - 2) [PndDpmDirect.cxx.old](#), downloaded 404 times
  - 3) [PndDpmDirect.h](#), downloaded 411 times
  - 4) [PndDpmDirect.h.old](#), downloaded 400 times
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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Stefano Spataro](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 20:14:05 GMT  
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First of all, have you added a TF1 or a TF1\* ?  
The main problem is that the code is not able to delete this TF1. maybe because it is not a pointer. Try to use the "\*" if it is not in this way.  
If not, try to delete this object by yourself in the destructor of your PndDpmDirect.

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I had not read the other posts. I have seen that the TF1\* is already a pointer. Then try the second option, try to delete the histo in the destructor.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero  
Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 20:56:07 GMT  
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Yes, as you say, it is passed as a pointer. The TF1 object itself is created in the sim macro. So I don't think it would be a good idea to delete it in the PndDpmDirect class, would it? So, the memory already gets allocated in the sim macro, and should also be freed there, in my opinion. Paul has changed our PndDpmDirect from the "\*.old" version (see above) to the current one, that at least does not crash.

But when looking at it again, I think it is a little bit strange as well. There is that bit of code in

the .cxx file:

```
TF1 * fDensityFunction = new TF1();
```

Thus, memory is allocated here for a second time. Then, in the constructor:

```
fDensityFunction = DensityFunction;
```

where DensityFunction is the argument of the constructor. So, the pointer is now directed at the "original" object from the simulation. Isn't that a memory leak or am I completely misinterpreting the code?

Kind regards  
Christian

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero

Posted by [Ralf Kliemt](#) on Mon, 14 Sep 2009 09:17:57 GMT

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Hi,

You're right. When calling `TF1 * fDensityFunction = new TF1();` you create a new object which is not deleted, when assigning the other object in the constructor. As far as I see it you don't need the new command. Just providing a pointer which is not stored in the class. I would add a `fDensityFunction = new TF1();` in the other constructor to be sure to have at least one object there.

You should also protect your code from crashing when trying to access the external `TF1*` by checking it before using a functionality i.e. line 152:

```
if(fDensityFunction) fZ=fDensityFunction->GetRandom();  
else fz=SomeOtherRandom();
```

Kind Regards, Ralf.

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Subject: Re: Full sim: all detected particles have PDG ID zero

Posted by [Christian Leitold](#) on Mon, 14 Sep 2009 09:28:37 GMT

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Thanks for your suggestions. Why would you add a `fDensityFunction = new TF1();` in the "without density" constructor? If my `PndDpmDirect` is created with that constructor, a `TF1` is never accessed at all.

Kind regards  
Christian