

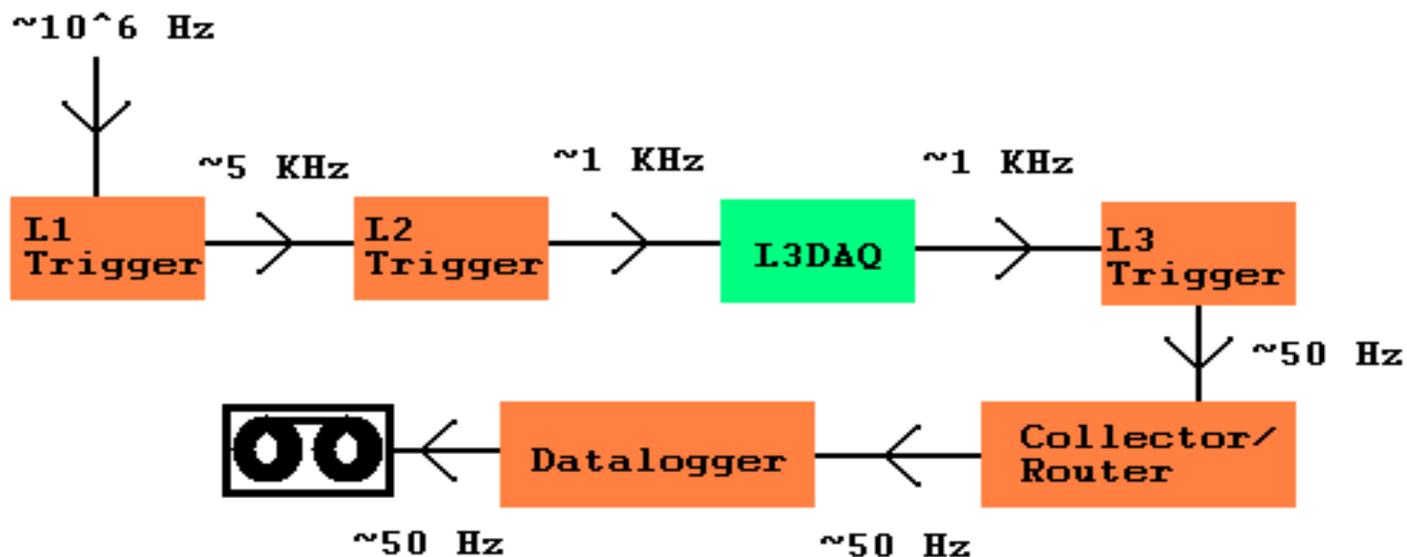
L3DAQ

An Introduction

A Quick Glance

- The DZero DAQ
- L3DAQ components
- L3DAQ communication
- An in depth look at monitoring

Dzero DAQ



- 63 readout crates in DAQ
- 0-20 kb/crate/event
- Maximum events size ~ 250 kb

The Players.... L3DAQ Components

L3 is comprised of both hardware and software components

Hardware

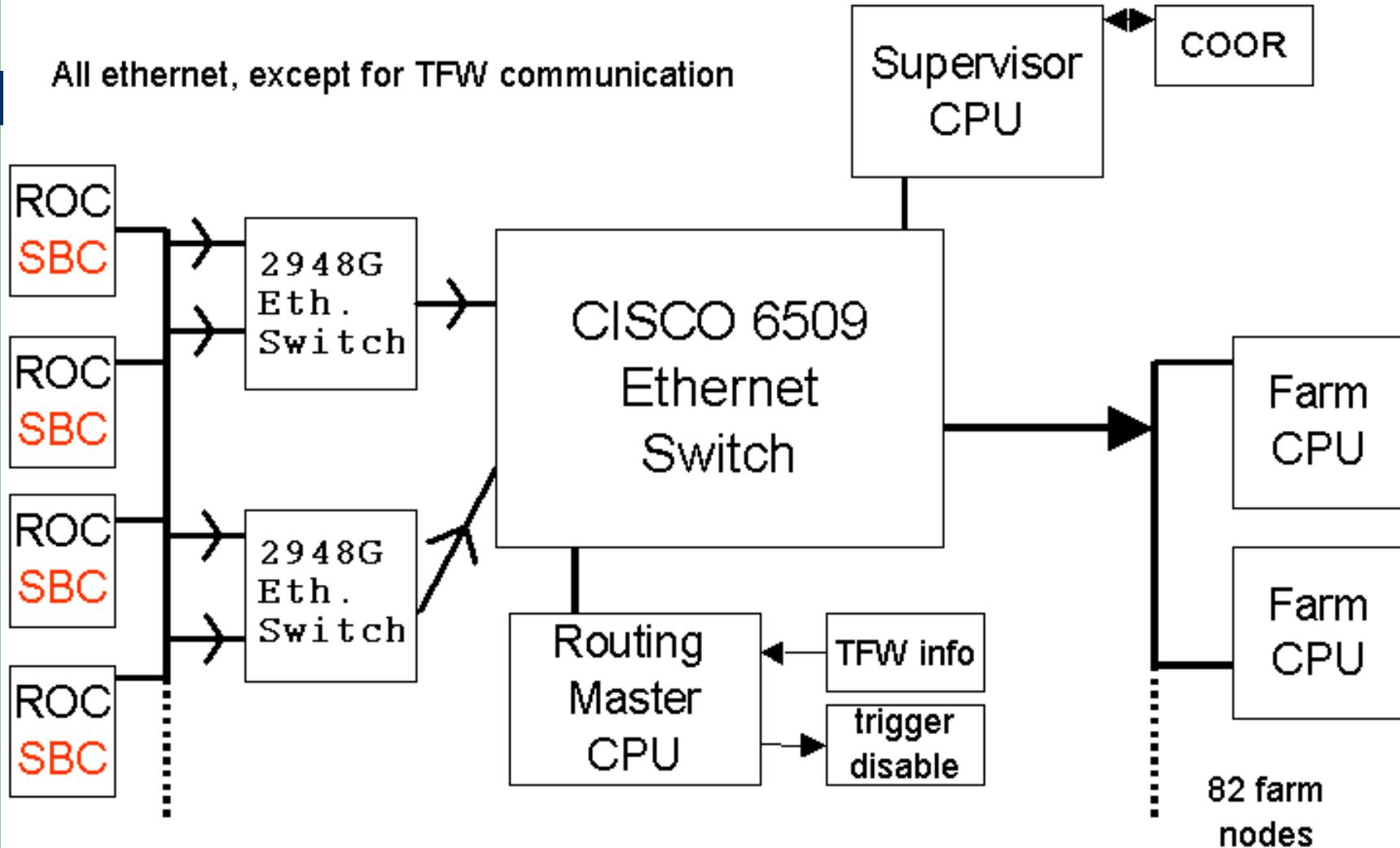
- SBC
- 2948G Ethernet Switches
- 6509 Ethernet Switch
- Farm Nodes

Software

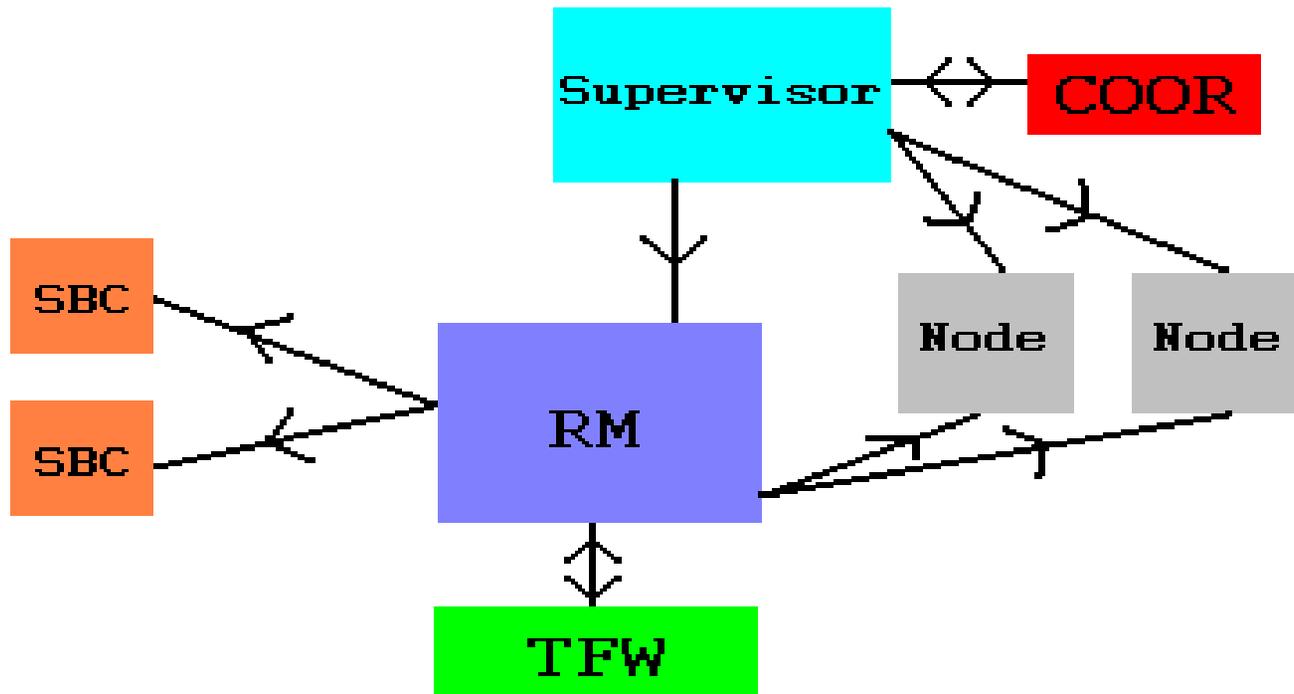
- Routing Master
- Supervisor
- Node Processes
- SBC Processes
- Monitoring

L3DAQ - Overview

All ethernet, except for TFW communication



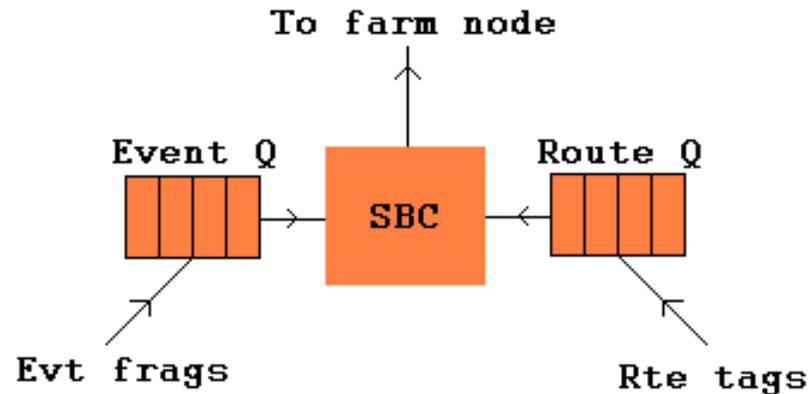
L3DAQ – Communication Flow



SBC – Single Board Computer

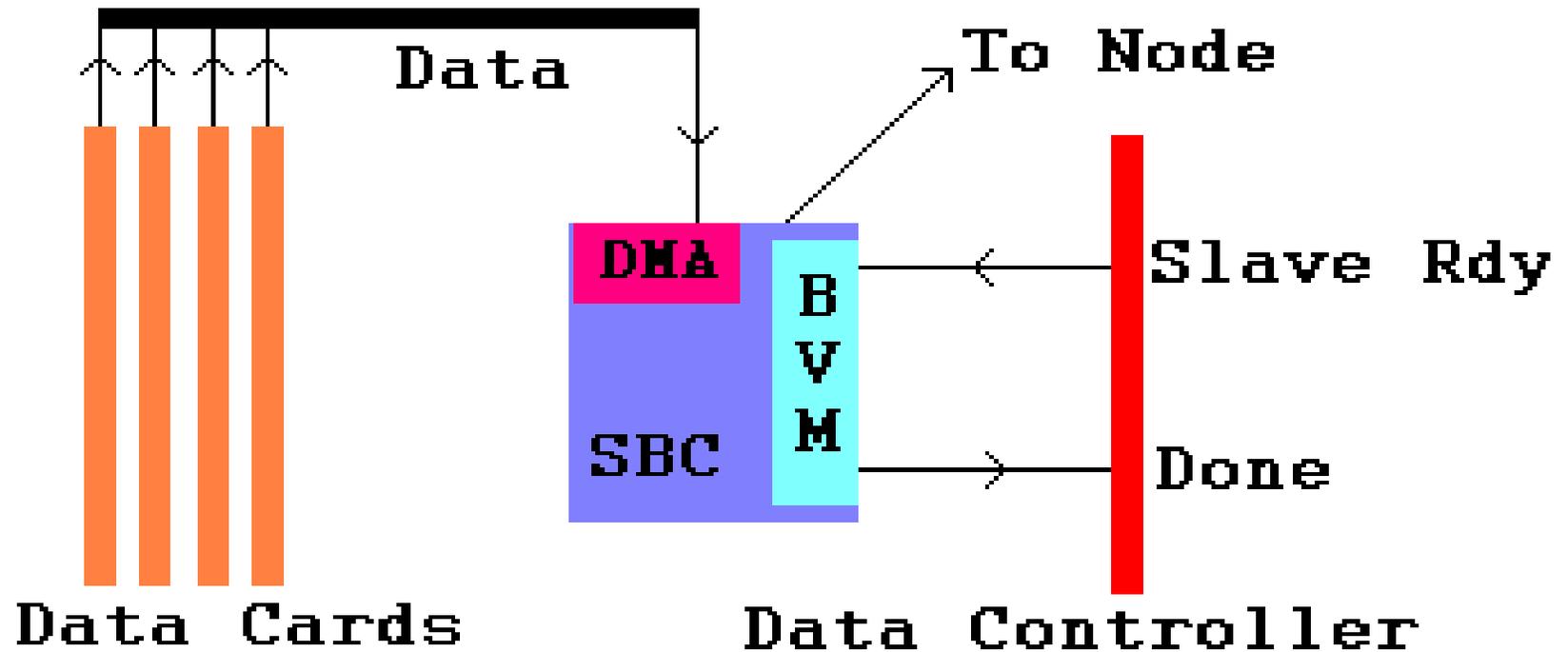
- 2 main functions
 - Readout controller for event data (many instances)
 - Routing master (1 instance)
- PIII 933Mhz, 128Mb RAM, 128Mb flash, 2 100 Mb/s Ethernet ports
- Tundra Universe II chip as VME-PCI interface
 - Programmable DMA controller
- PMC expansion slot
 - Holds BVM DIO module responsible for VME readout over J3 backplane

SBC – Logic & Operation



- Event fragment thrown out after 1s if still waiting for route tag
- Route tags thrown out after several seconds if no event fragment
- If evt# in event fragment > evt# in route tag, throw out route tag
- If evt# in event fragment < evt# in route tag, throw out fragment

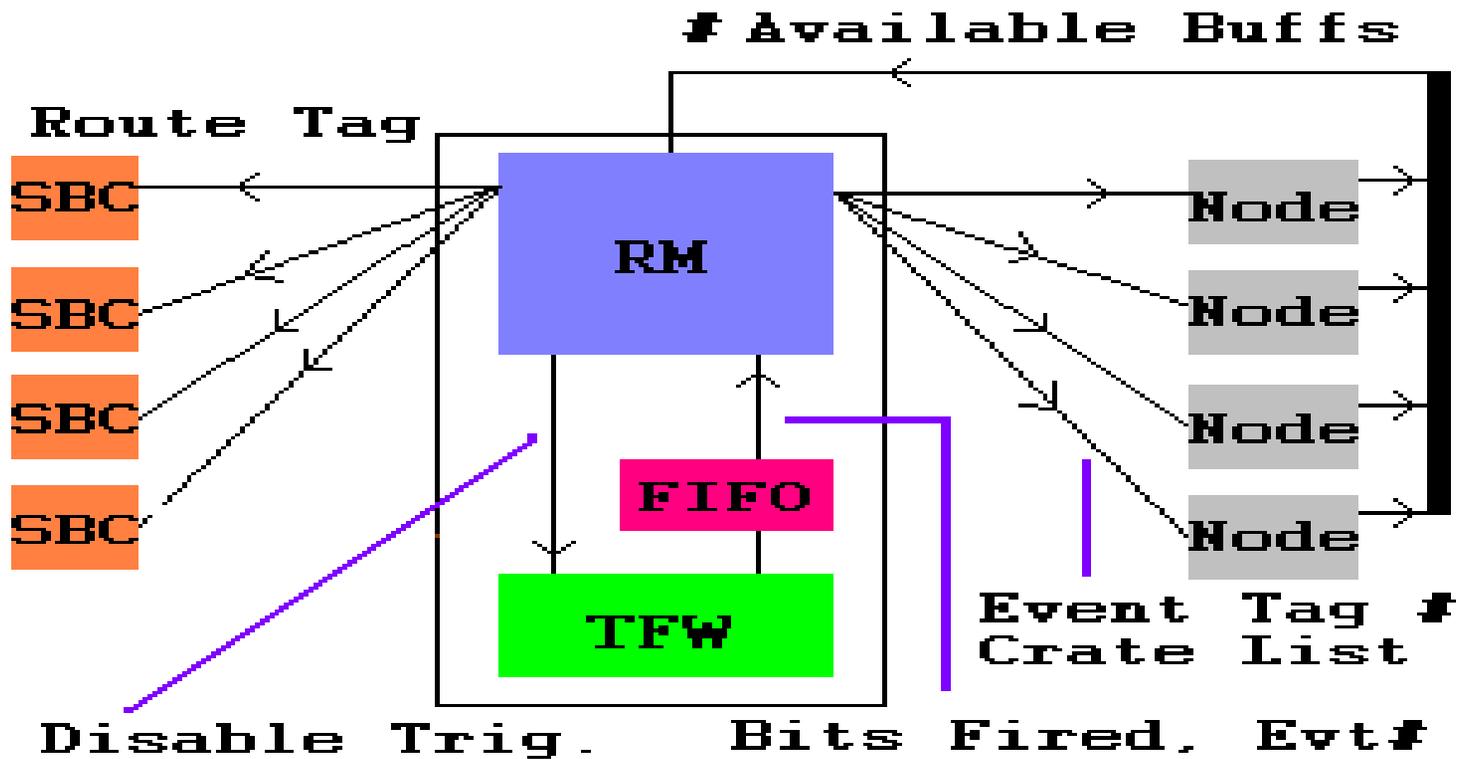
SBC – How a Crate Reads Out



SBC – Routing Master Basics

- Receives crate list per bit and list of farm nodes from Supervisor
- Receives bits fired, event number from TFW
- Chooses which nodes to send event for filtering
- Sends routing info to SBCs based on event #
- Sends crate info to nodes based on event#
- Receives number of available buffers from nodes
- If number of available buffers in the farm becomes to low, RM can disable triggers allowing farm can catch up

SBC – Routing Master Comm. Flow



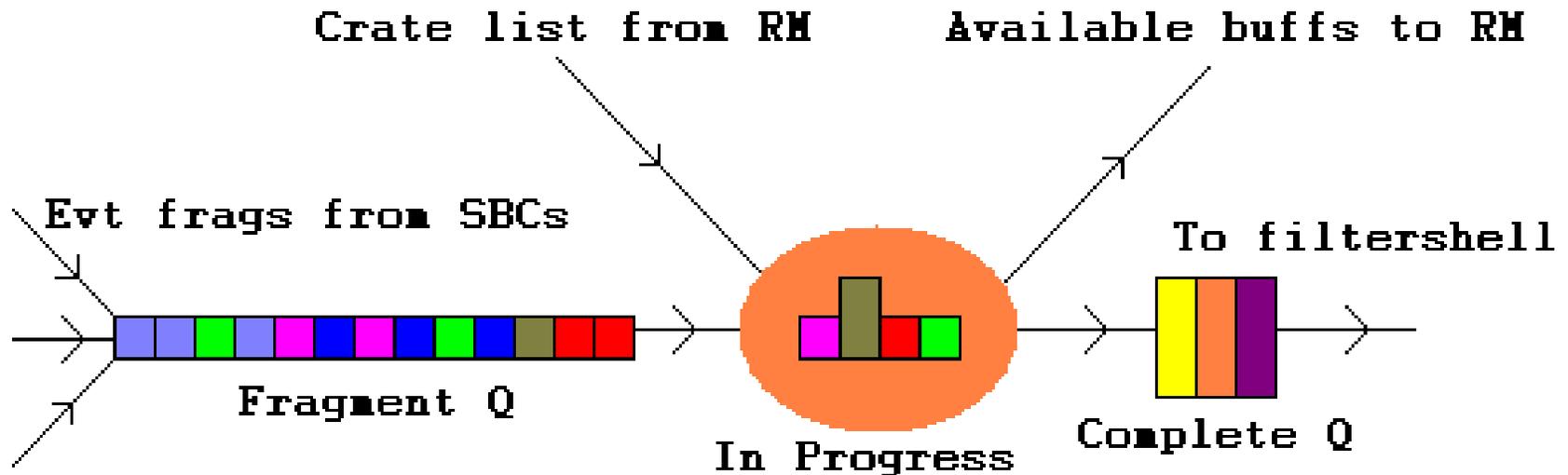
Ethernet Switches

- 2984G switch
 - Concentrates signal from up to 10 100Mb/s connections to 1Gb/s optical line
 - Limits number of 100Mb/s connections to prevent network congestion
- 6509 switch
 - Receives the Gigabit links and connects to the L3 nodes

L3 Farm Nodes

- 48 Dual PIII 1GHz, 1GB RAM
- 34 Dual AMD Athlon 2GHz, 1GB RAM
- Dual Ethernet ports
 - One dedicated to online system
 - One dedicated to L3DAQ
- Runs several processes
 - Event builder (EVB)
 - Filtershell process (actually 2 running instances)

Node – Event Builder



- Always connected to all SBCs (including RM)
- In-progress has a 1s timeout, resulting in incomplete event
- Max of 3 buffers advertised to RM to limit data flow into 6509

Supervisor

- Primary function is L3 interface to COOR
- Communicates with ScriptRunner and RM
 - No communication with SBCs or EVB
- Sends RM crate list per bit and node info
 - RM complains if nodes/SBCs not connected
- Sends trigger programming to ScriptRunner when a trigger download is performed

uMon

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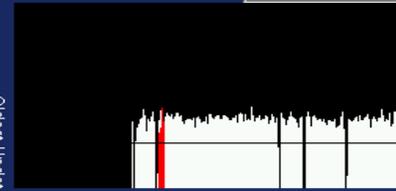
dzero Data Acquisition Über Monitor



L3 Input/Incomplete Event Rate
(250 Hz Scale)

250 Hz Sc...

Oldest Update



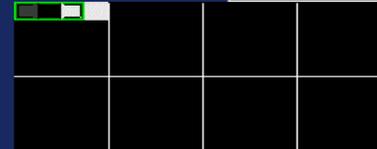
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L3 Input Rate
89.6 Hz

L3 Input Rate By Bit

Bit 0: 0.8 Hz

4 Hz Scale

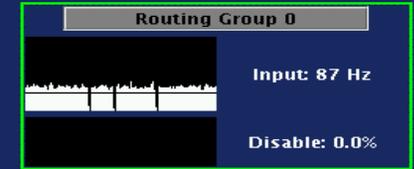


Route FIFO Depth

RM-Farm conn

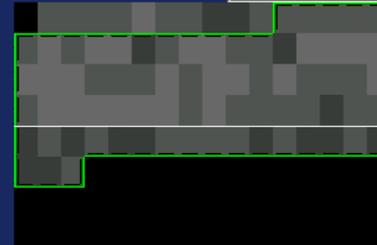


Global L3 Disable: 0.0%



EVB Rates

4 Hz Scale



Node 0: 0.0 Hz

Total EVB Rate
97.9 Hz

Reset Inc Counters

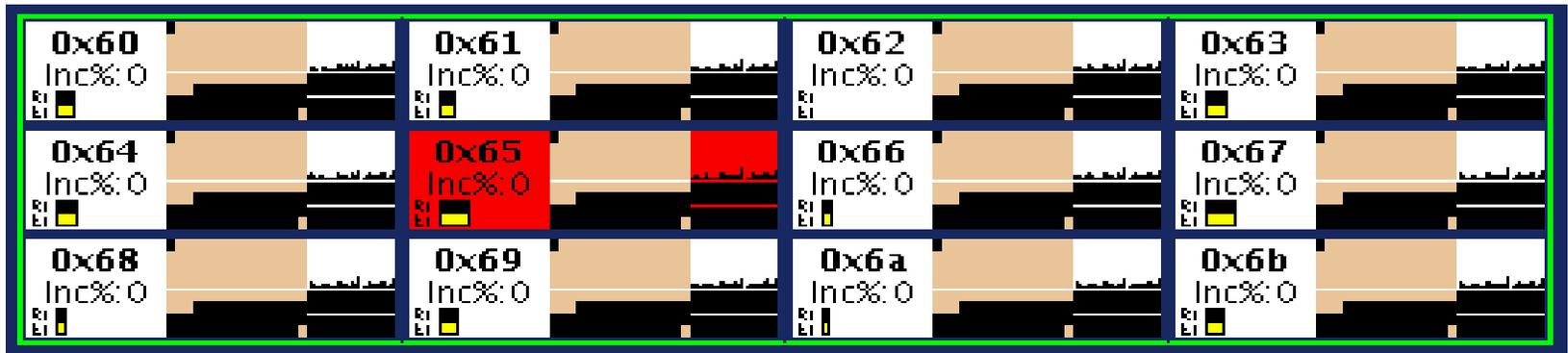
UNreset Inc Counters

Help

Super Status: Ready

Data Refresh

uMon – Front End Crates

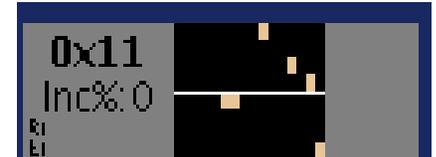


- uMon monitors from the Routing Masters perspective!
- When crate color is....
 - Red: At least one event fragment from the crate did not reach the farm. Included in a run.
 - Yellow: Monitoring information is not available for the crate. Included in a run.
 - White: Included in a run and experiencing no problems .
 - Grey: Crate not included in a run.

uMon – Front End Crates, Part 2

- “Inc%: XX” monitors the percentage of events from a crate that have been missing.

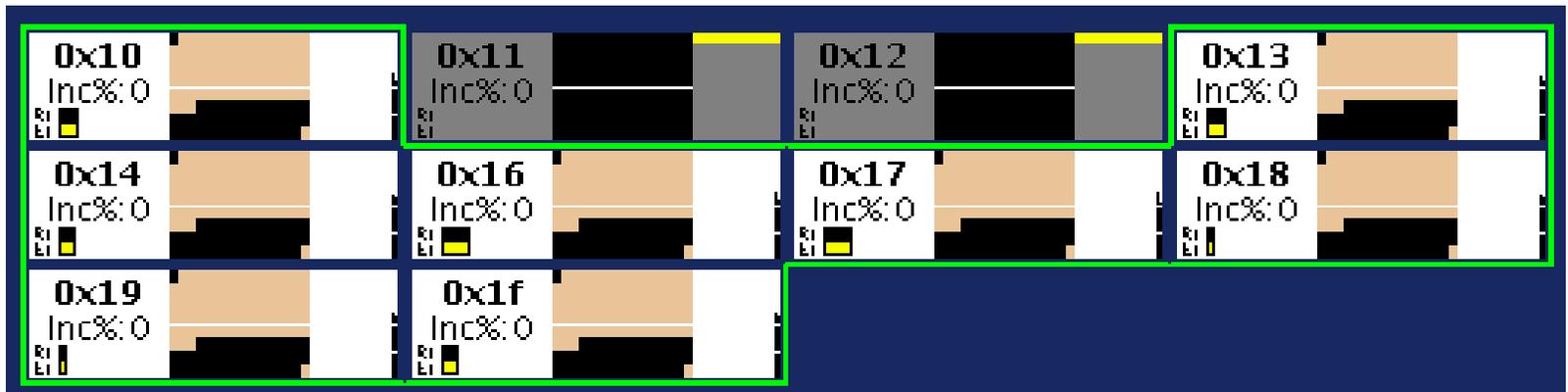
- This is a running total. Hitting the “Reset Inc Counters” button will reset this total to zero. To go back to the running total simply hit the “Unreset Inc Counters”



- Live SBC connections to the farm nodes are shown as beige boxes, otherwise black. The uppermost left box is node 0 (which does not exist and is therefore always black), next is node 1 and so forth. The lowermost right box is the SBCs connection to the Routing Master (beige connected, black not).

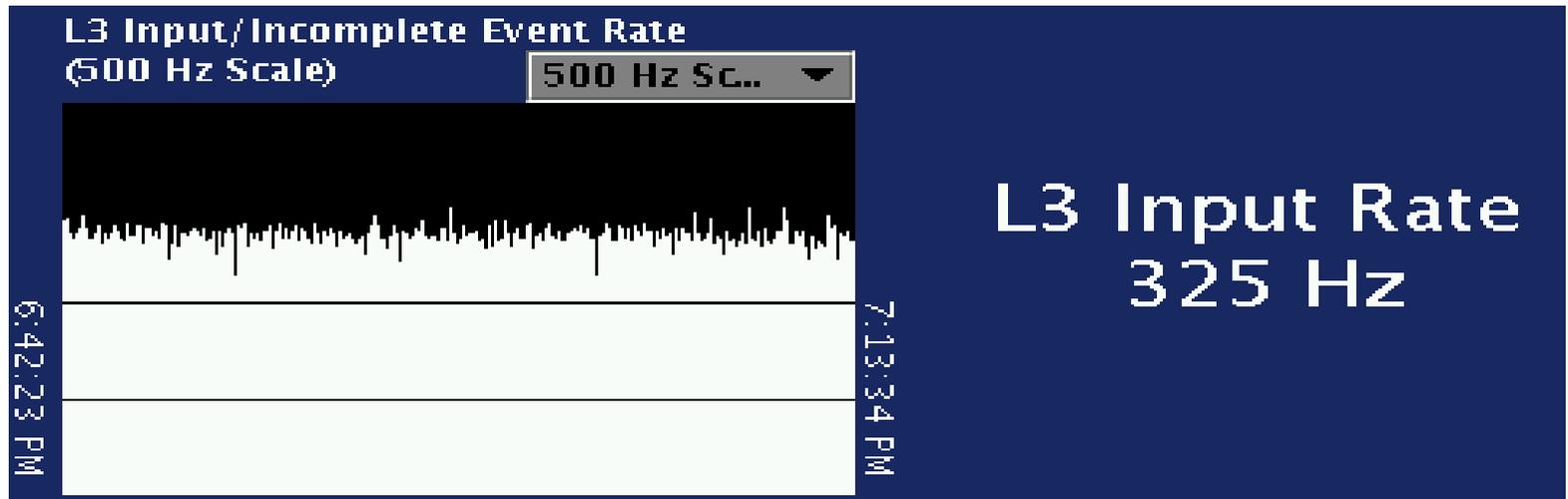
- The strip chart is the rate which the SBC is reading from crate electronics.

uMon – Front End Crates, Part 3



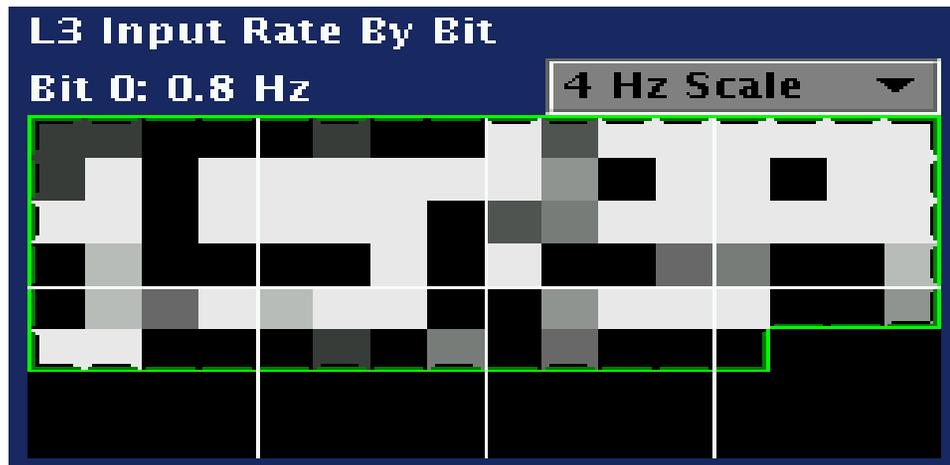
- Yellow block on the strip chart indicates no monitoring info from SBC
- Route Q bar chart:
 - Fractional use of route Q
- Event Q bar chart:
 - Fractional use of event Q
- Both charts utilize yellow on black background
- Route Q should be nearly empty and event Q should be $< 2/3$

uMon – L3 Input/Inc. Event Rate



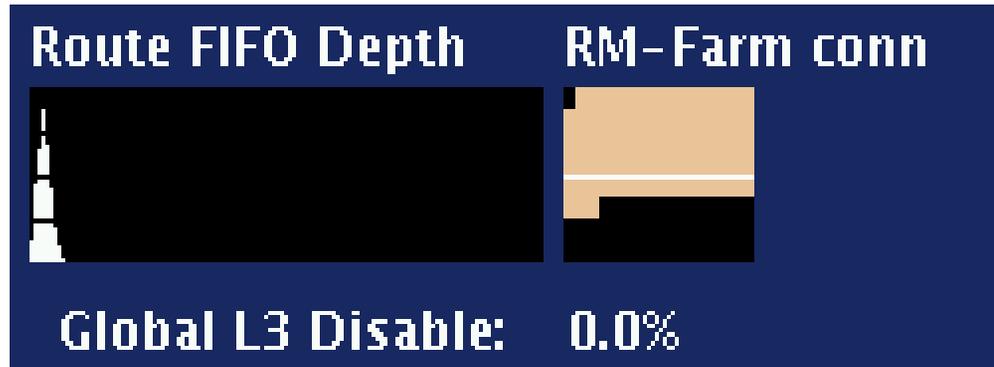
- Strip chart shows the rate at which the RM is receiving/sending event tags
- The “L3 Input Rate” is just the instantaneous rate
- Pull down list allows the vertical scale of the chart to be changed
- A yellow bar at the top of the strip chart indicates that there is not monitoring information available.

uMon – L3 Input Rate By Bit



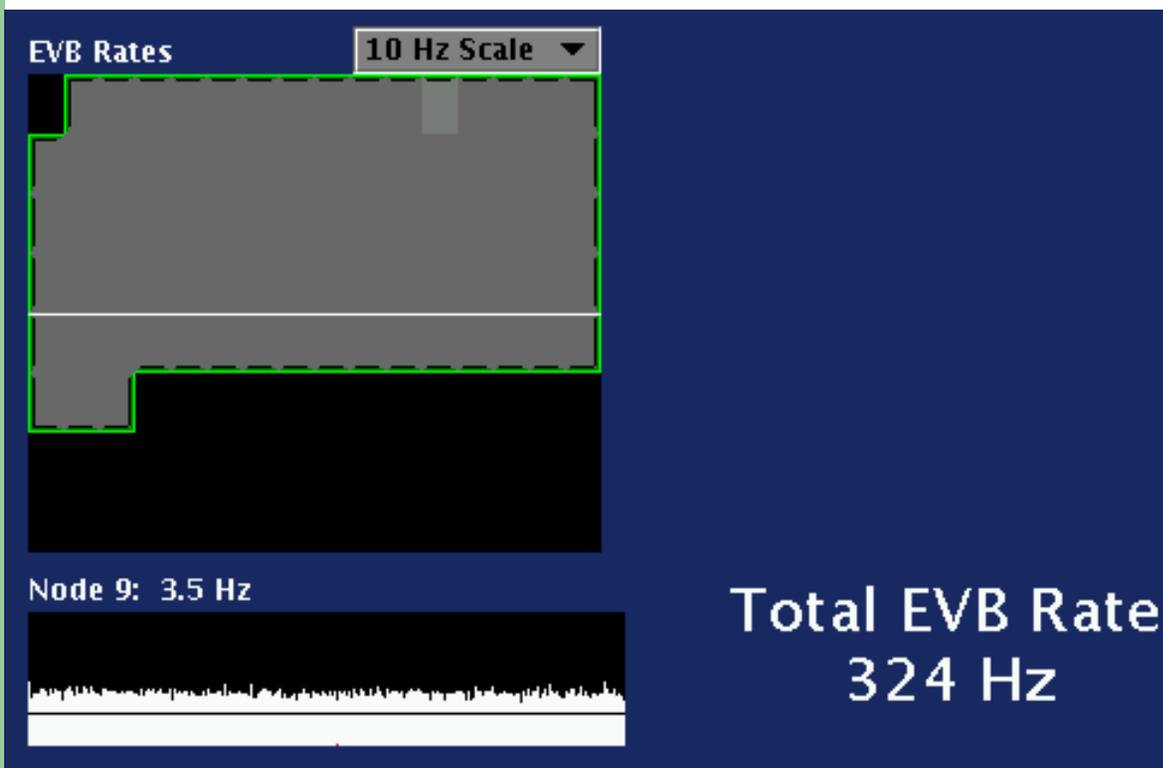
- Blocks, going from left to right, correspond to L1/L2 trigger bits 0 to 127
- The grayscale of each block represents the rate of the particular trigger with black being 0 Hz and white maximum rate.
- Clicking on a block will display the corresponding bit and its current rate
- Scale may be selected from drop down menu

uMon – Route Fifo Depth



- “Global L3 Disable” gives the fraction of time since the last update that the Routing Master has disabled triggers.
- “Route FIFO Depth” histogram shows the number of events in the TFW FIFO as determined by polls from RM conducted every 10ms.
- “RM-Farm conn” shows the RM connections to the farm nodes.

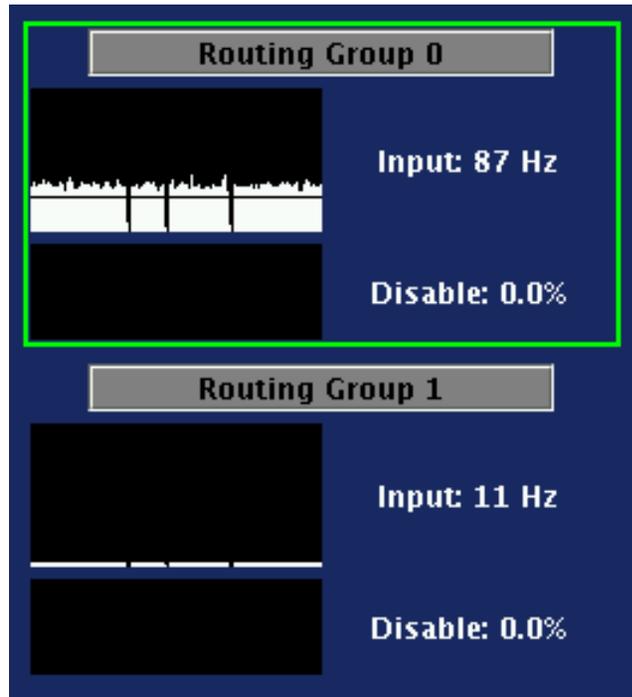
uMon – EVB Rates



- “EVB Rates” shows the EVB input rate into each individual node. Missing event rate as fraction of the total for a node will show as a red bar chart on top of the bin.
- “Node” strip chart shows the EVB rate of the chosen node over a period of ~20 minutes

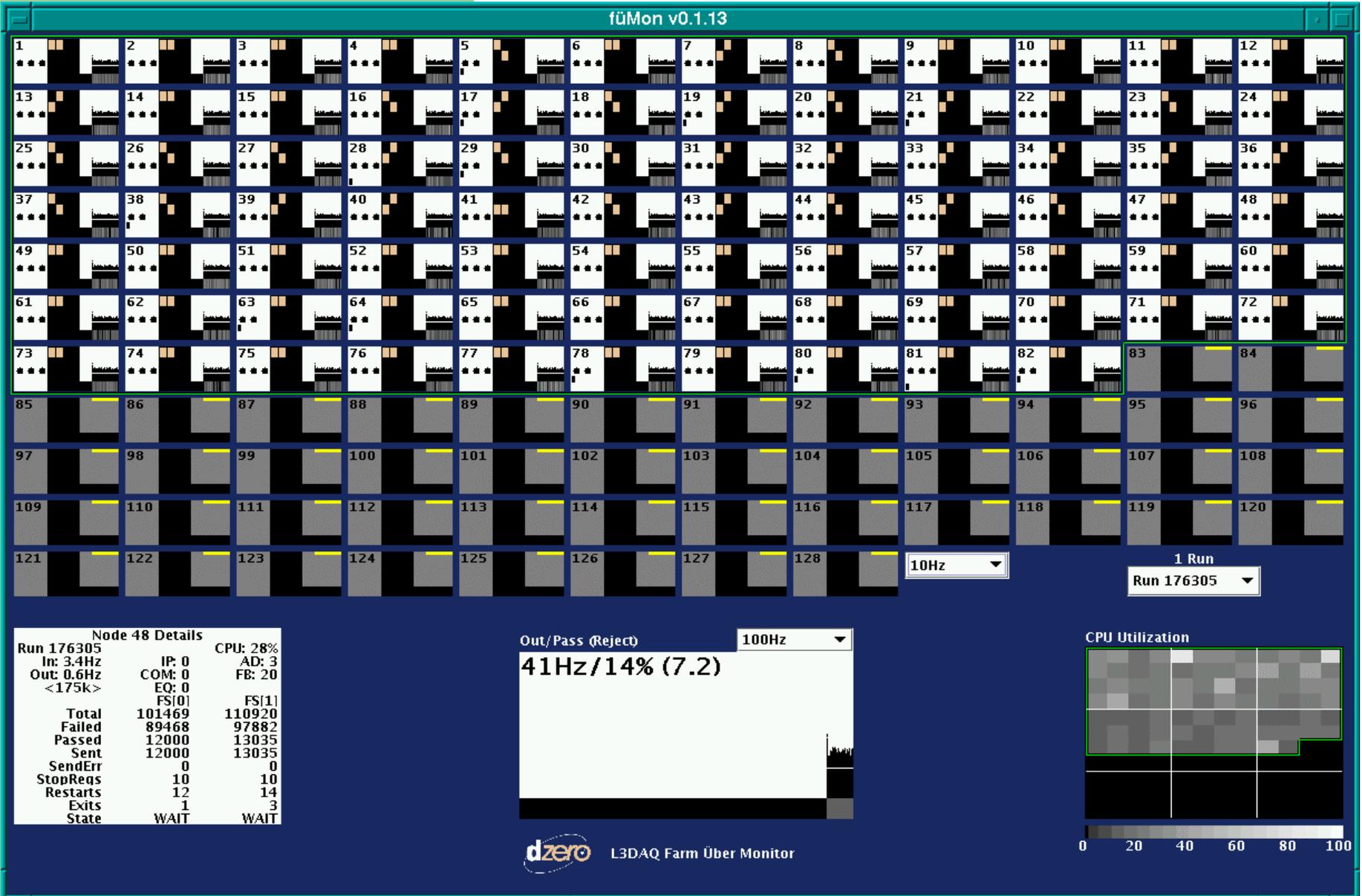
•“Total EVB Rate” shows the input rate into all EVB processes on L3 farm.

uMon – Routing Groups

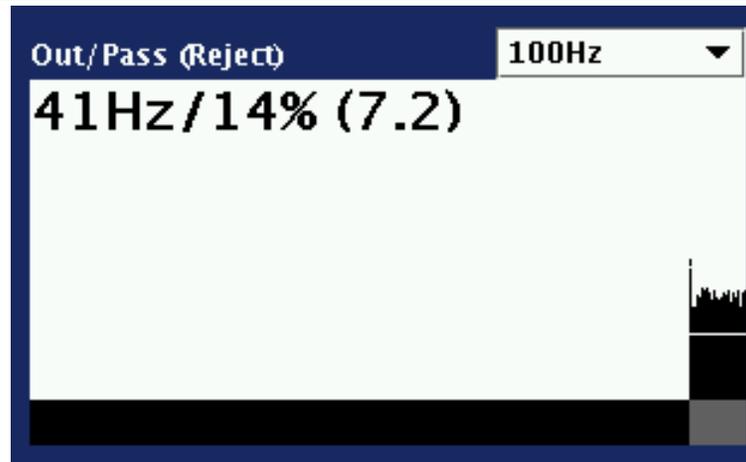


- Selecting a routing group will highlight all crates associated with that group.
- Input is given for each group
- Disable fraction is given for each group

fuMon

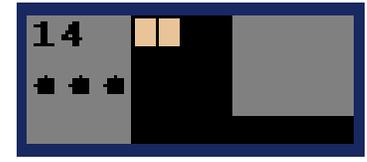
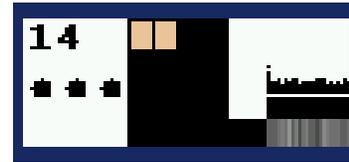
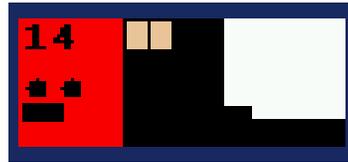
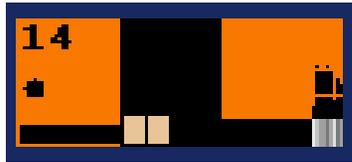


fuMon – Output/Pass Rate



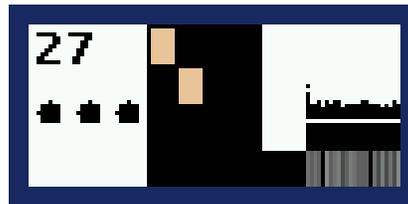
- fuMon monitors from the nodes perspective!
- Main strip chart shows total output rate of the farm
- Smaller chart shows pass fraction as grayscale bars
- Scale may be changed by drop down menu
- Reject is the ratio of `input_events/sent_events` over entire farm

fuMon - Nodes



- When the color is...
 - Orange: 10 or more complete EVB buffers waiting for processing by FS
 - Red: One or more events were incomplete and dropped by EVB
 - White: In a run and experiencing no problems
 - Grey: Not in a run.
- Three black dots represent # of advertised free buffers to RM
- First bar chart represents in process EVB buffers
- Second bar chart represents complete EVB buffers

fuMon – Nodes, Part 2



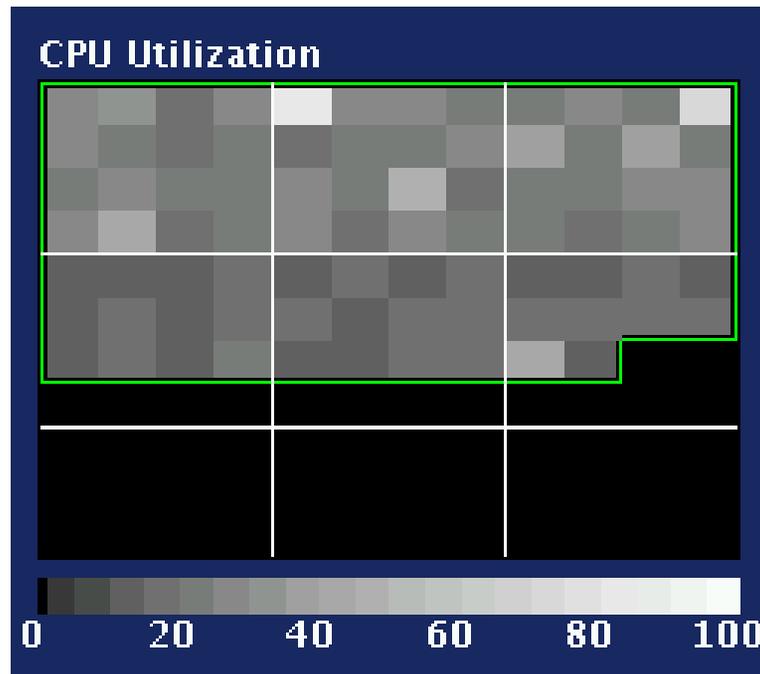
- 2 beige boxes in the middle represent the state of the two filtershell processes running on the node.
 - 1st (highest) position: WAIT
 - 2nd position: FILTER
 - 3rd position: FLATTEN
 - 4th position: SEND
- Top strip chart shows the event rate into the filtershell processes
- Bottom strip chart shows the pass fraction for the filtershell processes
- A yellow bar on the top of the strip chart indicates there is no monitoring info

fuMon – Node Details

Node 48 Details		
Run 176305		CPU: 28%
In: 3.4Hz	IP: 0	AD: 3
Out: 0.6Hz	COM: 0	FB: 20
<175k>	EQ: 0	
	FS[0]	FS[1]
Total	101469	110920
Failed	89468	97882
Passed	12000	13035
Sent	12000	13035
SendErr	0	0
StopReqs	10	10
Restarts	12	14
Exits	1	3
State	WAIT	WAIT

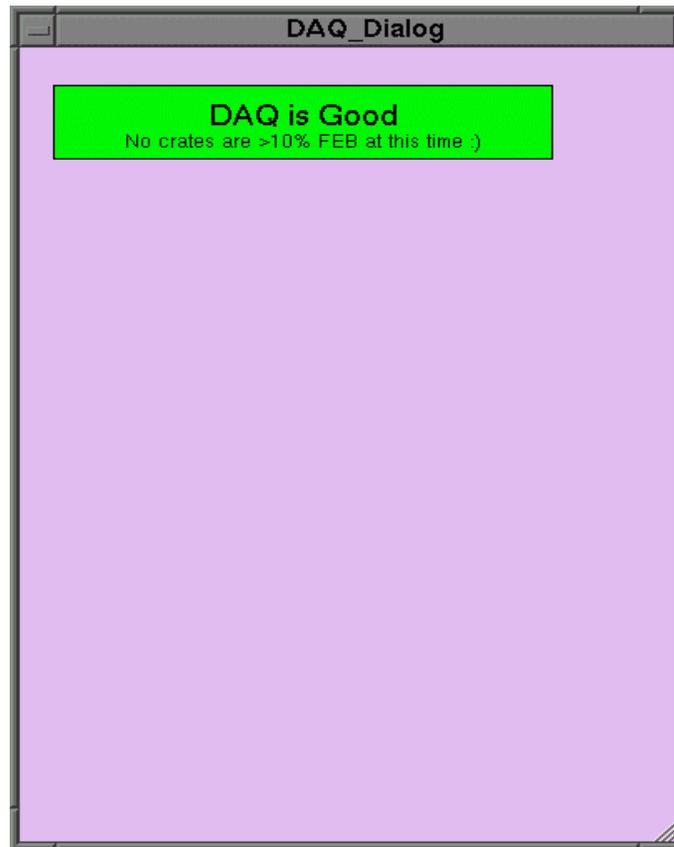
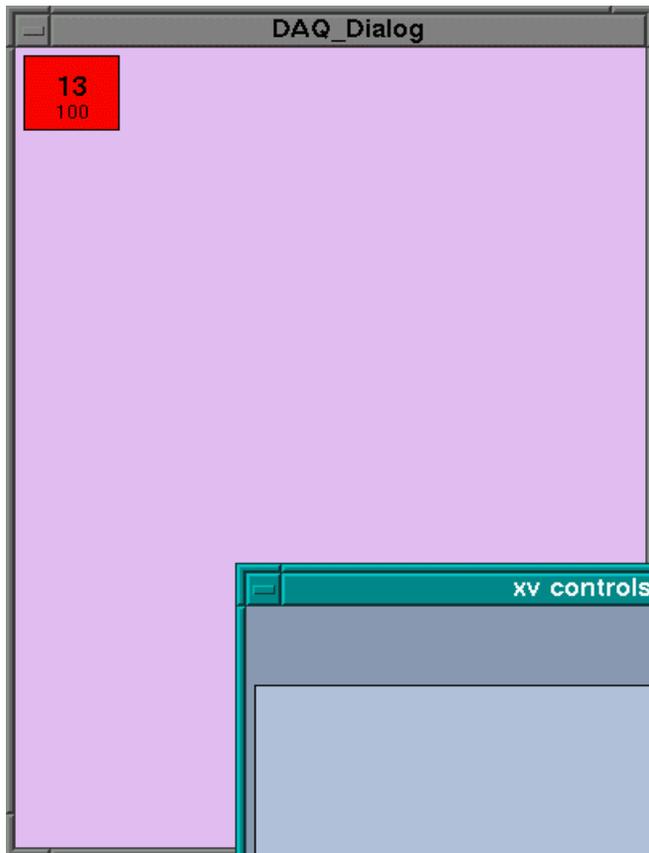
- Clicking on a particular node will give you detailed instantaneous information about that node.

fuMon – Node CPU Usage



- “CPU Utilization” shows what fraction of the nodes total processing power is being consumed.

DAQ Dialog



Typical Problems

- **Not enough nodes in run**
 - **Symptom: L3 disables, nodes in FILTERING**
 - **SMT/CFT/CAL in full-readout mode?**
- **Collector Router backed up**
 - **Farmnodes orange (SENDING) in fuMon**
 - **L3 output rate too high or event size too large**
 - **Farmnodes wont respond to Super when SENDING**
 - **Supervisor appears hung**
 - **Must PAUSE and wait OR restart farmnodes and Super**
- **Crate 100% missing**
 - **Almost always a component problem**
 - **Check Route and Event queue state in uMon**

Some Useful Scripts

- **Supervisor**

- `start_daq l3supervisor`

- **Nodes**

- `l3xreset <node>`, or `l3xreset` to reset entire farm

- **Monitor server**

- `l3xdaq_monitor_server`

- **SBC**

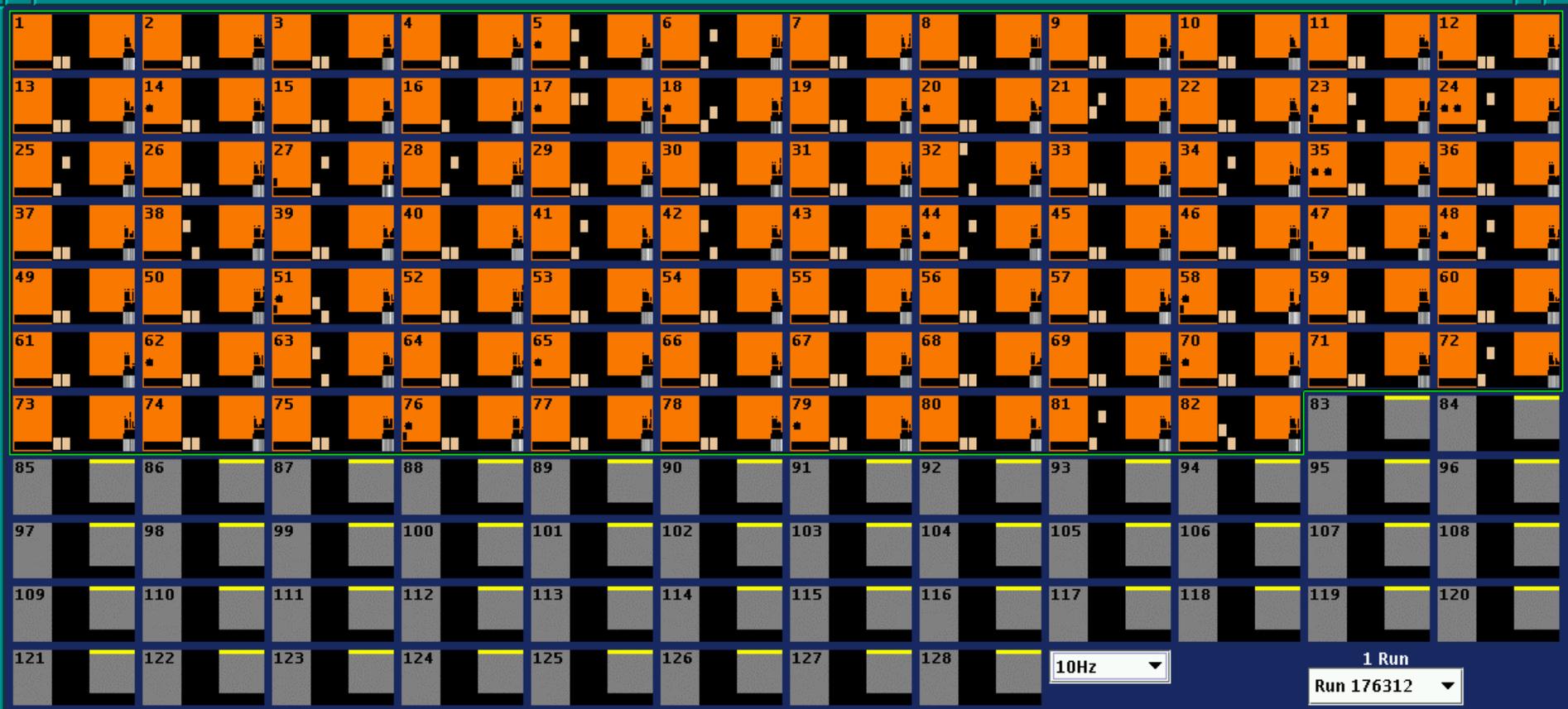
- `l3xdaq_reset <sbc>`

- **SBC scripts**

- `is_crate_requesting_readout.sh` (SlaveReady asserted?)
- `getInfo.sh` (sbc driver stats and status)
- `sbc_config_rdwr` (VME targets and modes)
- `reset_all.sh` (restarts processes)

Website

- <http://www-d0online.fnal.gov/www/groups/l3daq/default.html>
 - Documentation for all monitoring packages
 - This and previous Level 3 talks and papers
 - “What to do when” page for troubleshooting L3 problems
 - Log files for the SBCs, Supervisor, Monitor Server, & daqAI
 - On call expert list



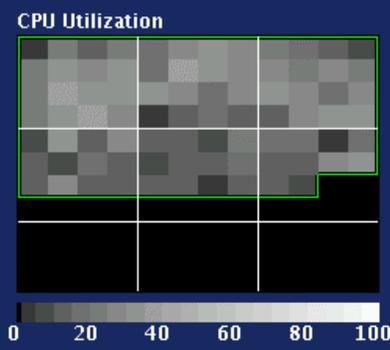
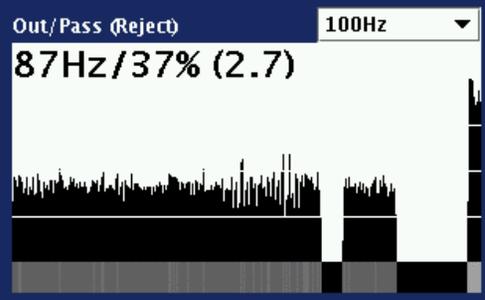
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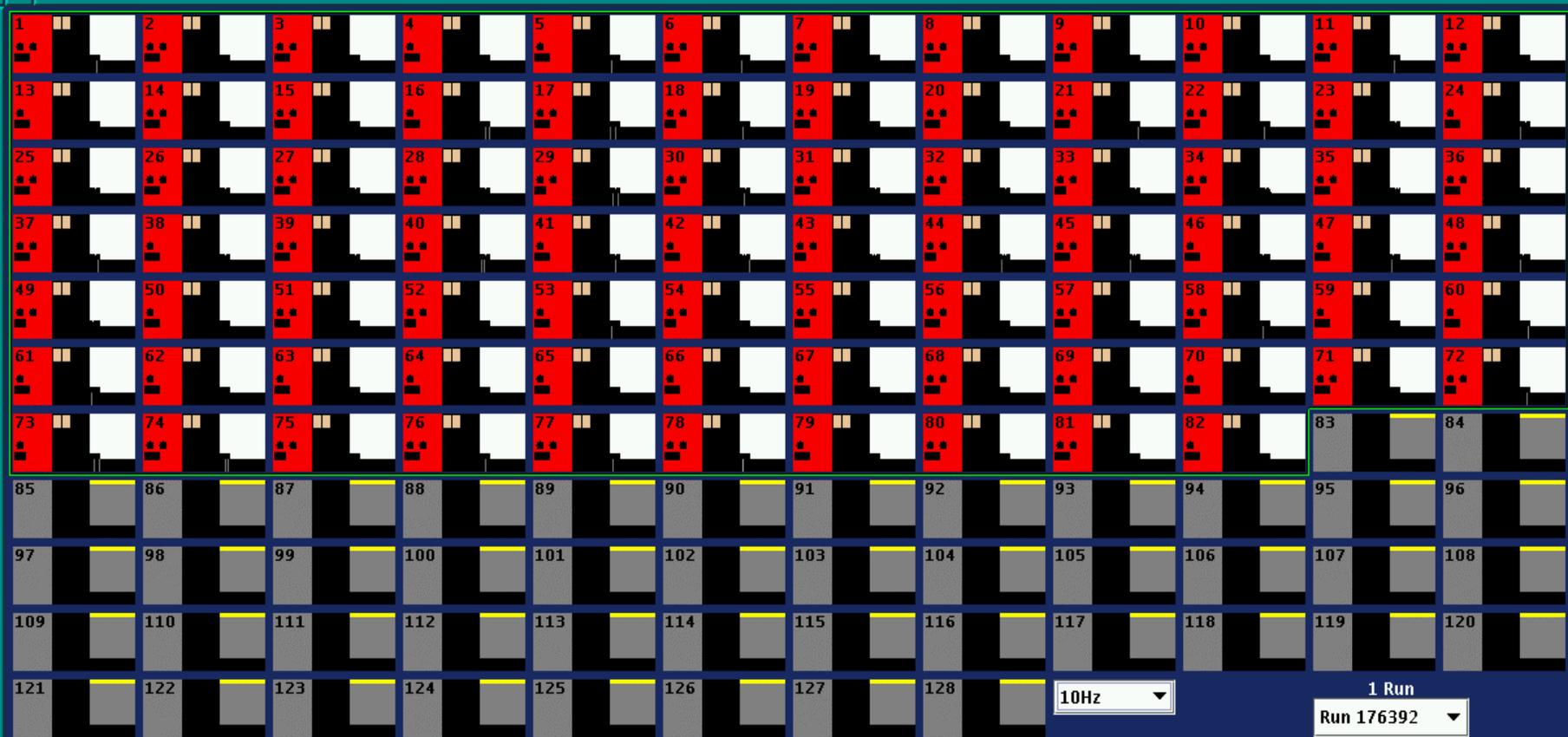
1 Run
Run 176312 ▾

Node 48 Details

Run 176312 CPU: 32%

In: 4.2Hz	IP: 0	AD: 1
Out: 1.2Hz	COM: 19	FB: 1
<121k>	EQ: 18	
	FS[0]	FS[1]
Total	117423	128754
Failed	102958	112890
Passed	14464	15860
Sent	14460	15857
SendErr	0	0
StopReqs	15	15
Restarts	17	19
Exits	1	3
State	SEND	FILT





10Hz

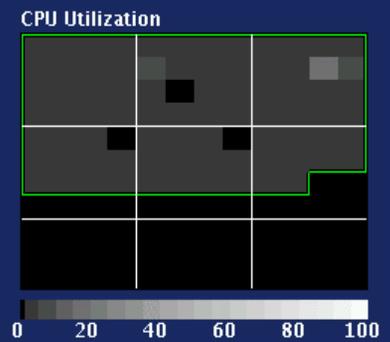
1 Run
Run 176392

Node 56 Details

Run 176392	CPU: 0.5%
In: 0.0Hz	IP: 4
Out: 0.0Hz	AD: 2
<357k>	COM: 0
	EQ: 0
	FS[0]
	FS[1]
Total	131526
Failed	117308
Passed	14217
Sent	14217
SendErr	0
StopReqs	22
Restarts	24
Exits	1
State	WAIT

Out/Pass (Reject) 100Hz

0.0Hz/0.0% (inf)



Missing Node Info

