Quick MSD Software update

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GSI 2021 Alignment

- Working on alignment with standalone code
 - Rigid shifts in the plane perpendicular to beam axis
 - Rotations around the beam axis
- Working on data selection: increase events with only 1 hit in each detector (reduce noise, use non aligned runs maybe ...)
- Values obtained from data with no corrections look reasonable
- Slight improvement of residuals distributions after alignment
- Fixed some errors in the geometry (distances along the beam axis)
- Will need to then align MSD system with the rest of the detectors



Noisy strips

- First strip of each readout ASIC is noisy
 - Effect probably due to noise on the ASIC control signals
 - Signal is comparable to 5 MIPs, so much less than Oxygen primary
 - Calibration run is less noisy than data: effect of the beam needs to be studied
- One of the detectors has several noisy strips
- No big difference in cluster reconstruction with the dead strip map due to high cut threshold used (40 "sigmas", about 80-100 ADC depending on the channel)
- A new cluster algorithm might help



Event number 0 Detector: 0

New cluster reconstruction?

- Single threshold cluster reconstruction needs high cuts to avoid noise
- Could it be possible to implement a double threshold algorithm?



New MSD methods

- Implemented new definition for "eta" of the cluster
 - No difference for most clusters with old version, but it's formally correct now
 - Old version might be computationally faster
- Implemented a method to correct the cluster ADC wrt the eta of the cluster
 - First model tested with 400MeV/u (will probably show some results in next Physics meeting)
- Implemented a method to get the starting address of a cluster
- Implementing a method to get the highest ADC cluster in a sensor for each event
- All changes still to be committed to newgeom branch