Configuration Database

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Existing Database Formats

- Old DAQ uses C structure saved as binary data

- Diagnostics uses Tcl script

- HDMC uses formatted text file

- ATLAS DAQ will use OO database

- Would like to move to one scheme!

Inputs

- Erics list of configuration data

- Existing DAQ -1 database schema

- HDMC class model

Objectives

- Extend/modify DAQ -1 schema for our classes

- Additional schema of level 1 specific classes

- Define Data Access Library (DAL) to read DB objects into runtime objects (different classes)

- All beautifully documented, reviewed etc!

So Far. . .

Diagrams and Tools

- Recently used rather flaky shareware Mac program (ObjectPlant) to make some diagrams (see separate files)

- DAQ -1 used Software through Pictures (StP) in the past but now seem to be moving to Together/C++, Together/Java.

Hardware Configuration

- DAQ -1 schema has Modules and Crates. Can imagine DAL to produce suitable top level Parts for HDMC and evolving DAQ system.

- Lower level Parts still from text files (eg partial Part hierarchies?)

- Questions about Bus vs Crate in HDMC (see separate file).

- Not obvious how to save top level only HDMC Parts back to database. But maybe this is not required.

Other Stuff

- Nothing yet for run parameter type settings. For test activities we probably want these more dynamic than typical database objects?

- Leave physics trigger settings (thresholds, etc) to the CTP for now?

- Connections between modules, mappings to towers, cells etc. Really not sure how to do this.

- Some vague ideas on calibration data. . .

- Eric suggested a module inventory, service history database. Should be implemented soonish or probably never. . .