

High efficiency data taking over the past week. Starting data taking 4-5 minutes after Physics Declared.



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TPC Status Update

Isobutane flow turned on Saturday, July 27, 2024.

48 hours gas turn over.

Cosmic data taken without beam on Monday, July 29, 2024. Determine TPC High Voltage working point with cosmics – completed.

Currently taking beam data with TPC right now – Tuesday, July 30, 2024.

- 6x6 bunch store with zero crossing
- Determine module by module gain balancing
- Critical test and fast analysis turnaround
- Followed by producing the new HV divider resister and installation with an access: in a few days
- Progress towards full luminosity operation with HV, and start of full collision commissioning SPHENIX 2024

Gas: Ar:cf4:Iso (75:20:5)

Cosmic run report

- Smooth running
 - Very little discharge activity on TPC GEM
- Six HV settings scanned, 3.20kV...3.45kV in 50V interval
 - \circ ~15x 2min big partition runs at each HV \rightarrow 100k event per HV set point
 - Expected to scan from below to above the TPC workpoint
 - Big partition run with HCal vertical wide cosmic trigger with GL1+TPC+TPOT+HCal
- Run list : <u>https://chat.sdcc.bnl.gov/sphenix/pl/hzizpdgnw7ro3njfx1nkf3xxxh</u>





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Iso cosmic run

N2 cosmic run



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- Cluster size vs HV (all tracks/tracks with pT>1 GeV/c) and possibly vs GEM
- Cluster charge (and/or max ADC) vs HV (vs GEM)
- Cluster count vs HV (total, and per >1GeV/c track)
- Mini-sparks frequency vs HV, comparison cosmics vs beam, and vs beam intensity
- Triplet analysis-based gain (cosmics)
- dE/dx vs sign x p (beam)
- Gain balancing plot: Measured change vs predicted change
- Distortion plot vs Silicon & TPOT



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Cluster on track based on Cosmic data (Iso gas) on Aug 29 Cluster ADC energy sum at 3.3kV HV setpoint



· Clear change in qualitative shape of max ADC distribution

One pad frac ~8-12%

dE/dx analysis based on Cosmic data (Iso gas) on Aug 29 Aim for 150 (A.U.) $\rightarrow \sim 3.3$ kV HV setpoint



Once TPC running 24/7 for physics, then switch to starting stores at +1.5 mrad





July 22, 2024 – steering from 0 mrad to +1.5 mrad (maximum from aperture constr.)

ZDCNS rate 2-4 kHz over all z-vertices, with 55% within |z| < 10 cm.

Using 3 kHz ZDCNS rate (550 kHz pp 42mb rate all Z).

If running smoothly (60% RHIC uptime, 60% sPHENIX uptime), TPC could sample for jets/photons 1.4 pb⁻¹ / week (|z|<10 cm) and full 100% streaming for open heavy flavor 1.4 pb⁻¹ / week. Lots of hidden assumptions in there...

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One scenario (just as an example)

- TPC up and fully running in 2 weeks (optimistic)
- Extend pp running (19+3 cryo-weeks), until Sept. 16
- 3 weeks of AuAu 200 GeV at the end.



5 weeks pp running w/ TPC might yield 7.0 pb⁻¹ with full detector within |z| < 10 cm.

Much less than 45 pb⁻¹ sampled in BUP goal. However, could be double heavy flavor streaming sample (10%→ 100%). Optimistic.

Summary

- Excellent, efficient data taking for jet program continues at zero crossing angle (all z-vertices for calorimeter program)
- INTT and MVTX mostly in full streaming mode
- TPC running with isobutane Careful, systematic approach to physics
- Reminder that "working point" HV with beam is the start of full collision commissioning. Likely need additional special stores, 1-2 multi-hour accessed for resistor swaps, new TPC firmware tests, data throughput reliability work, zero suppression, noise mitigation, etc.
- <u>Commitment to make it all work.</u>

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