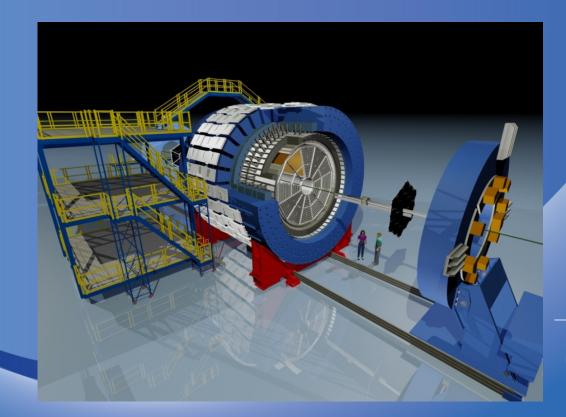
STAR RUN 17 PERFORMANCE & BRIEF COMMENTS FROM THE SCHEDULING PHYSICIST

Bill Christie RHIC Retreat August 8, 2017





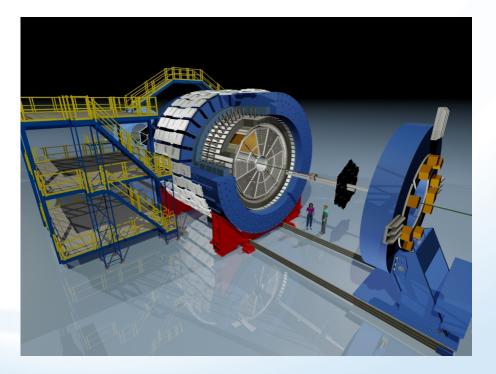
a passion for discovery



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Outline

- Data set Goals (BUR)
- Changes for Run 17
- Luminosity leveling for Run 17 510 GeV transverse pp
- STAR's Running Efficiency
- Data Set Goals and Achievements
- Summary for STAR
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- Summary for Scheduling Physicist



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY TABLE

Run	Energy	Duration	System	Goals	priority	Sequence
	√s _{NN} =500 GeV	13-wk	Transverse p+p	A _N of W [±] , g, Drell-Yan, L=400 pb ⁻¹ , 55% pol	1	1
		1-wk	p+p	RHICf		2
17		2-wk	CeC			
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =62.4 GeV	4-wk	Au+Au	Jets, dileptons, NPE 1.5B MB	3	3
18	√s _{NN} =200 GeV	3.5-wk	Ru+Ru	1.2B MB	2	4
	√s _{nn} =200 GeV	3.5-wk	Zr+Zr	1.2B MB	2	5
	√s _{nn} =27 GeV	2-wk	Au+Au	>500M MB	3	6

Options from guidance:

1) 24 cryo-weeks in run 17, 13 weeks in run 18

2) 19 cryo-weeks in run 17, 13 weeks in run 18

3) If only 15 weeks in run 17, all for pp500

STARs goal for the "rare" triggers during the 510 GeV pp program are to sample 280 pb⁻¹ of integrated luminosity.

When the dust finally settled, Run 17 turned out to be 21 Cryo weeks

Additions to STAR for Run 17



FMS Post Shower



RHICF



eTOF Prototype

- * iTPC proto type RDO and FEE
- * Proto type Digital Electronics Platform (DEP) Brookhaven Science Associates



* EIC Calorimeter R&D setup



FMS UV Curing system



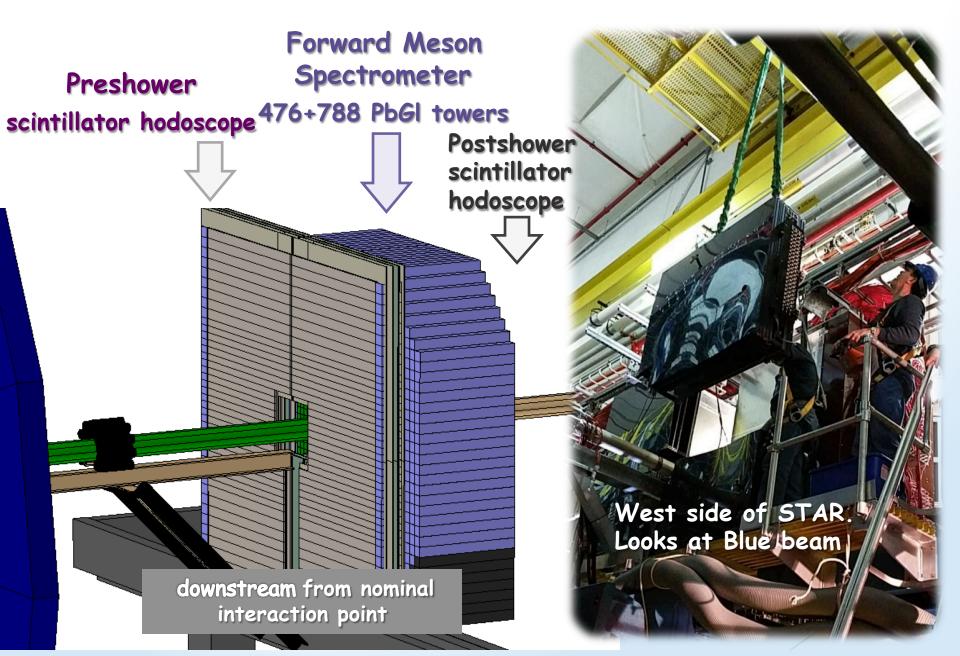
Event Plane Detector (EPD) quadrant



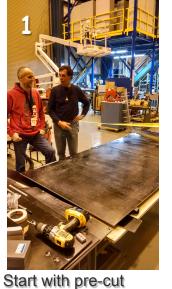
Original (low mass) center cone

- * New QT with TAC built in
- * Selectable trig crate readout BROOKHA

PRESHOWER AT FORWARD RAPIDITIES



FMS Post Shower Detector

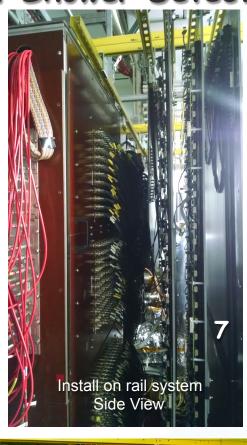




Drill and tap for joining



Glue on wrapped scintillators with light guides







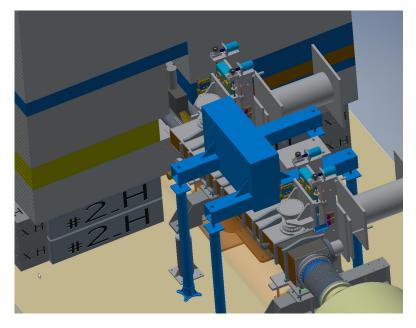
Attach SiPMT boards

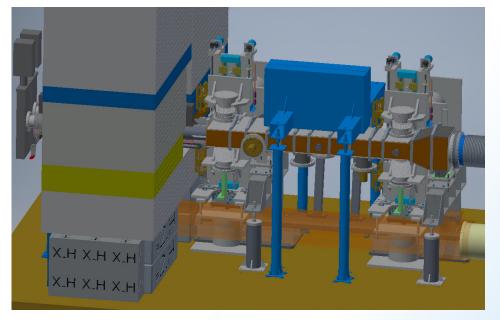


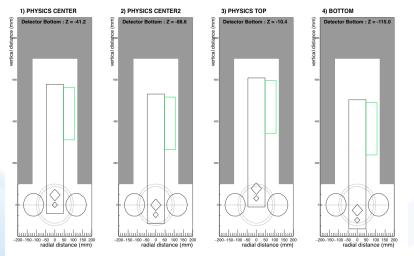
Install FEE boards & cables

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RHICF INSTALLATION ON THE WEST SIDE OF STAR







The RHICf setup is a position sensitive calorimeter system to be positioned just in front of the ZDCs on the West side of STAR.

It will measure cross sections for particles traveling in the Blue beam direction.



VERTICAL MOVEMENT DEVICE & RHICF

Close up of installed & cabled RHICf



Rahul, Bob Soja, John Scheblein, and two High School student interns



Test Install with cabling



Shelf where RHICf resided until their running period at end of Run 17

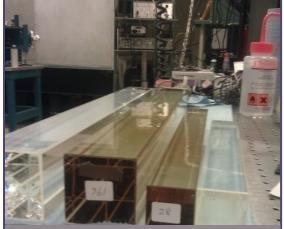




FMS IN SITU UV CURING SYSTEM

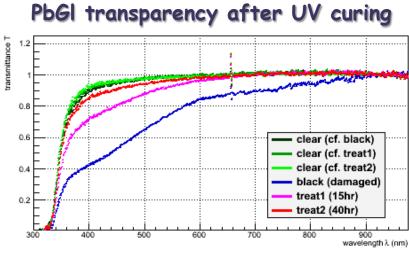
Pb-glass annealed in sunlight before, New system to anneal in place with UV LEDs





Curing of radiation damage







ENDCAP TOF (ETOF) PROTOTYPE



eTOF installed on inside surface of East Poletip

Three "final" design modules will be installed for Run 18. Entire installation prior to Run 19



eTOF Colleagues looking at installed prototype



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Prototype Event Plane Detector (EPD)





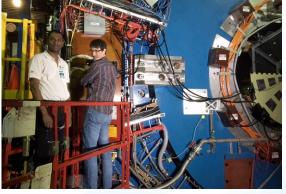
Final assembly in Clean Room



Transport to IR



Installed behind BBC on East side



Mike and Prasanth installing new FEE board during run



Within ~ 1 cm of beam pipe



PP510 OPERATION MODE FOR W-BOSON

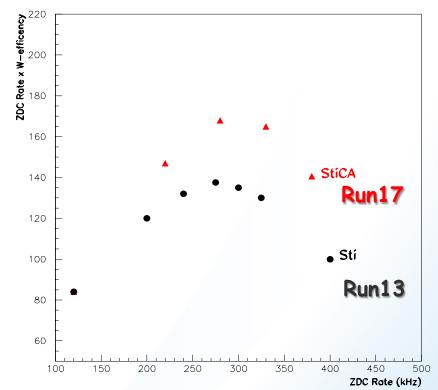
STAR TPC event pile-up affects tracking efficiency

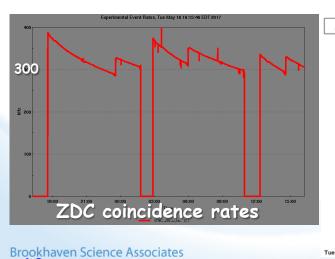
The W-boson reconstruction efficiency was obtained from the data measured in 2011 to 2013 and with an improved Tracking Algorithm.

The highest FoM is reached at a ZDC rate of 330 kHz corresponding to a luminosity of 1.3×10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹. (For 2017 calibrations 315 kHz)

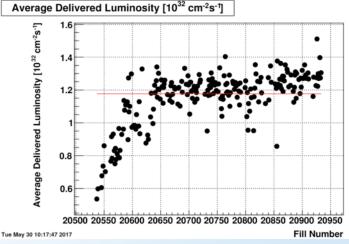
Optimization of delivered luminosity with dynamic beta* squeeze.

Estimate ~13 weeks to reach 400pb⁻¹ delivered (STAR Goal 280 sampled).





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As the plot to the left shows, C-AD delivered almost exactly what was requested. Excellent!



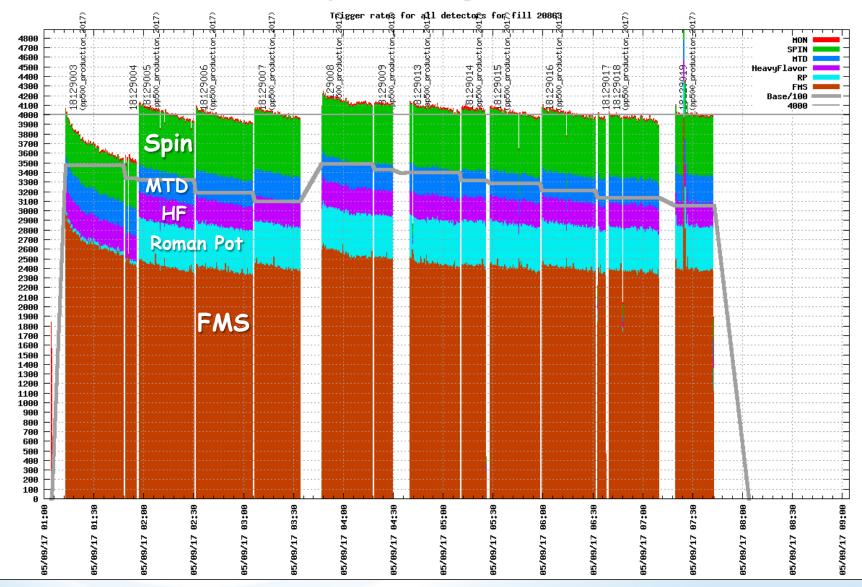
DAQ Monitor for Run 17 510 GeV Transverse pp

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41 Triggers Running at a total of about 4200 Hz, accumulating ~ 1.7 GB/sec!



Store from May 9th showing Bandwidth allocation

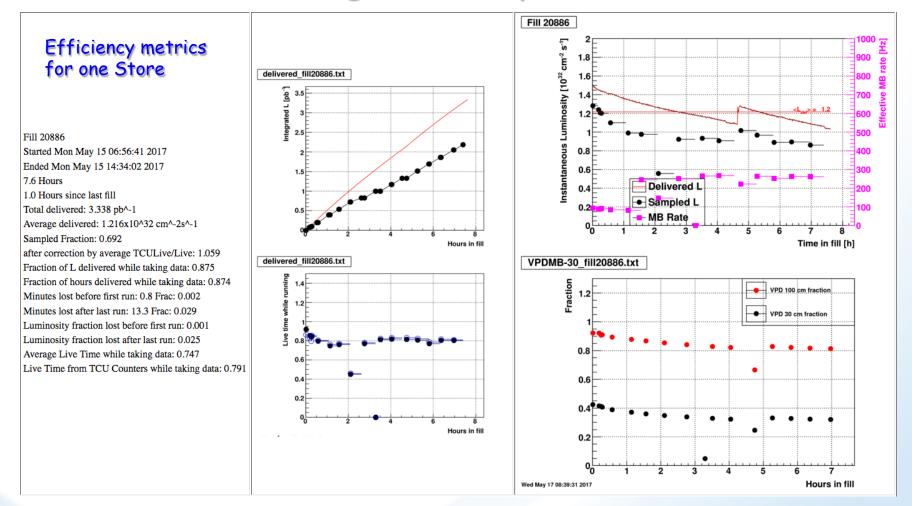


Accessed Jeff Landgraf's Trigger Versioning page https://online.star.bnl.gov/RTS/plotdata/storedPlots2017.php



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STARs Running Efficiency for Run 17

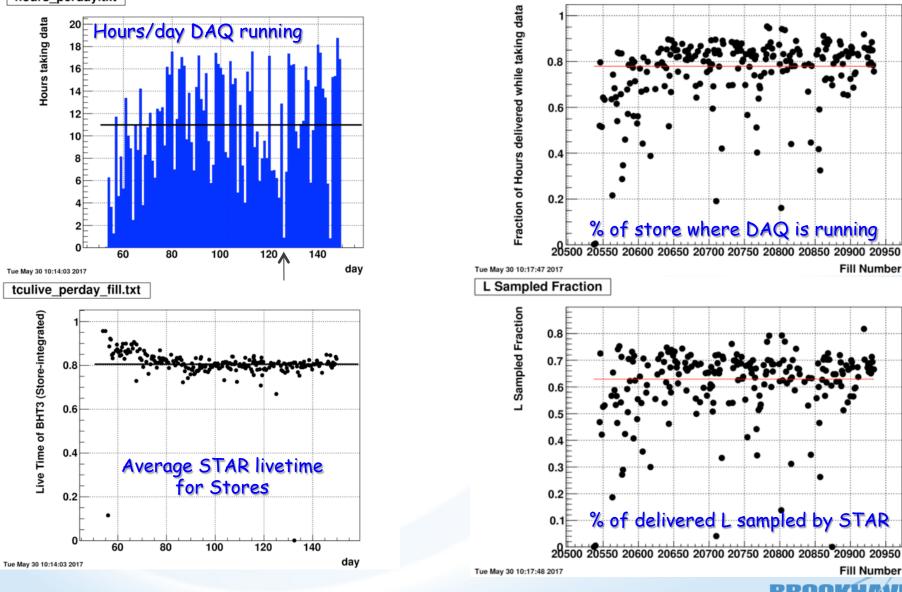


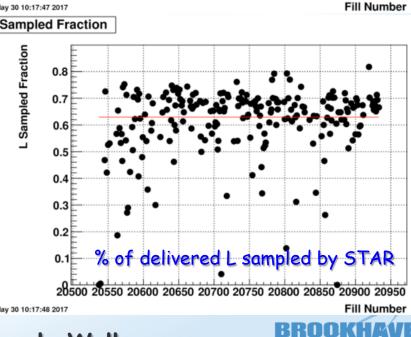
Jamie Dunlop maintains a Web page with various links where one can see how the run is going through various metrics. The link to this page, found on the STAR -> Experiment -> Online page is: https://www.star.bnl.gov/protected/common/triggerPages.html



STARs Running Efficiency for Run 17 Fraction of Hours delivered while taking data







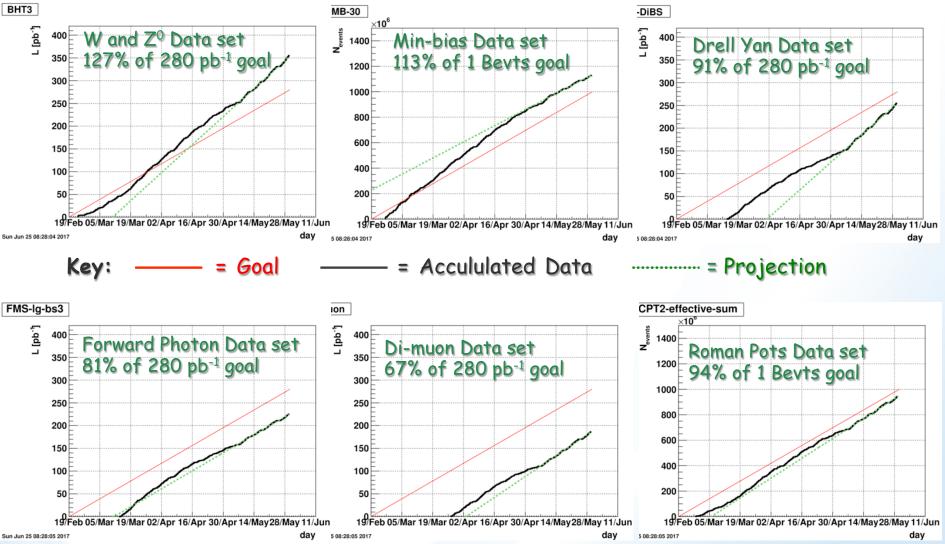
STAR Performed Extremely Well

SUMMARY OF DATA SETS ACCUMULATED





510 GEV TRANSVERSE PP



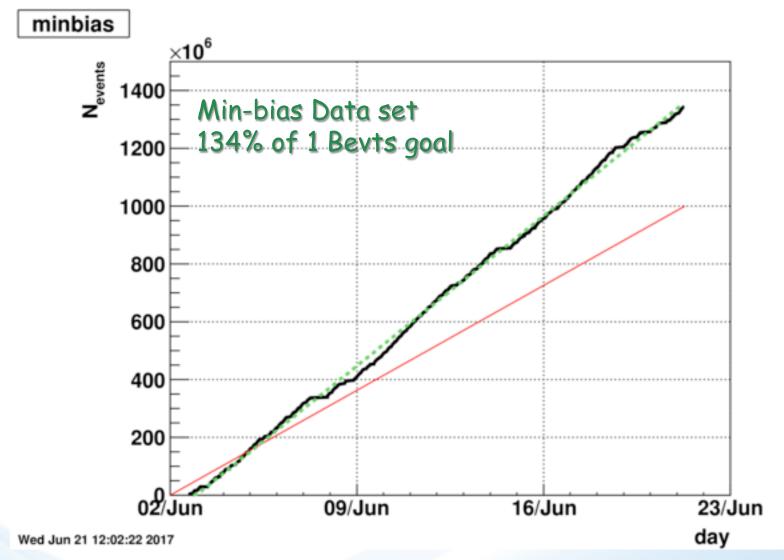
Run went very well.

FMS program got a later start due to need to commission and calibrate,

Di-muons got a much later start waiting for machine protection (MPS) that did not come.

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54 GEV AU+AU



Very Successful Au+Au Physics Run



STAR SUMMARY

- Run 17 went very well. The Spin data sets for the sign change via the W's and Z⁰'s, as well as the min-bias data, exceeded goals. Forward Drell Yan, direct photon, and Roman pot data sets were just slightly below their goals. For the Di-muons we reached about 70% of the goal. It will be important that the MPS system is ready for Run 18.
- We installed, commissioned, and successfully ran a number of new systems this year. This went very well.
- The √s = 54.4 GeV AuAu run also went very well. We accumulated 134% of the 1 Bevts min-bias data set goal in a short (17 day) run.
- We ended the run by going back to √s = 510 GeV radially polarized pp for the RHICf program. There were some RHIC issues that made this effort a challenge, but in the end we accumulated a data set that the RHICf group was satisfied with.
- STAR had ambitious goals for Run 17 with a number of new systems and challenging data set goals. It was another very successful run! Thank you to C-AD for all your efforts in Run 17

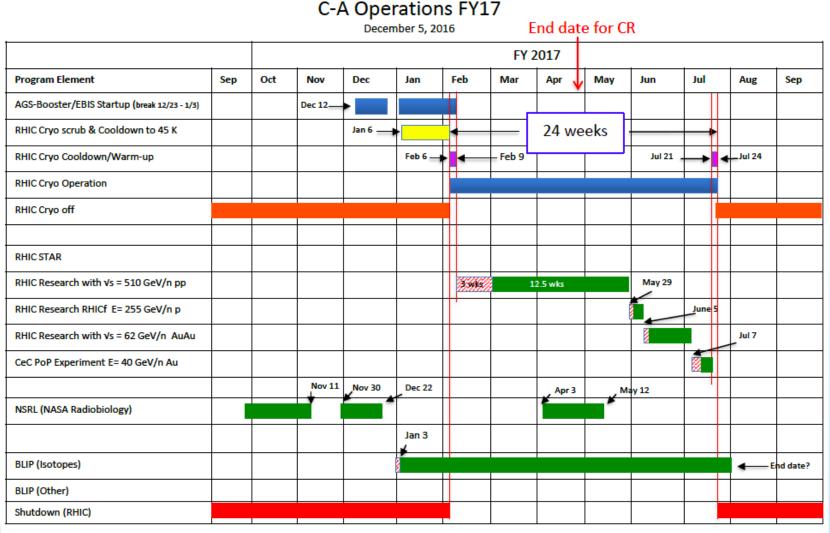
COMMENTS AS C-AD SCHEDULING PHYSICIST

Some General Considerations/Complications with Scheduling for Run 17

- No Federal Budget, hence uncertainty in length of the run
- To achieve STAR's data set goals required a significant amount of Physics running time.
- Ongoing installation and commissioning for LeREC during run
- Ongoing installation and commissioning for CEC during run
- Linac failure which required splitting the 510 GeV pp running into two periods, separated by Heavy Ion running.
- Need/desire for significant polarized pp APEX time, and need to delay (to move Linac repair forward) much of this APEX to the second pp running period.
- Need/desire for multi day diode testing while cold



Schedule we started the Run with. Revised once Budget for year set about May 5th



Please note: This Run length is based on the FY 2017 budget put forth by President Obama. We are currently operating under a Continuing Resolution that expires on April 28th. The length of the run may well change once the FY 2017 budget is known.

Brookhaven Science Associates CR was eventually extended from April 28th to May 5th

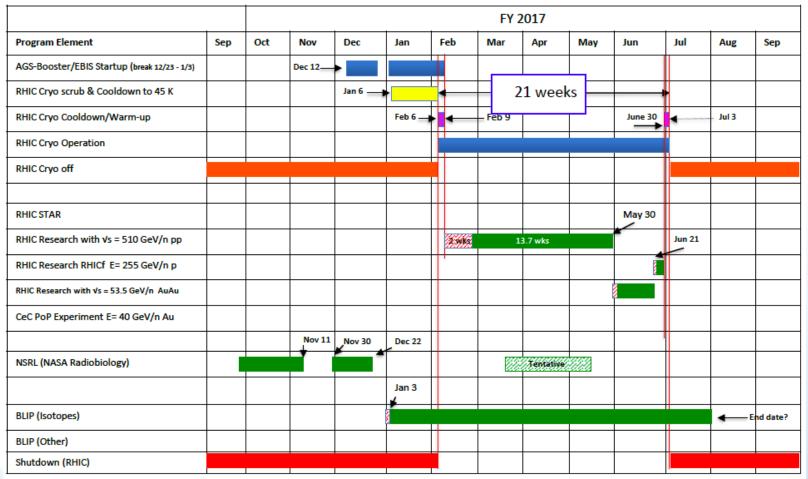
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With the budget for the year known, and need for diode repair also known, the global schedule for remainder of the run was revised May 5th

C-A Operations FY17

May 8, 2017



To allow for timely LINAC repair, plan is to switch fro pp running to AuAu running on May 30th, and then come back to pp running on June 21st.

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With the budget known and run length set, a detailed plan for the remainder of Run 17 was iterated and agreed to by \sim May 6th T_3

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	(from 8 a May 3 rd
	1	2	3 Access 8 am - noon APEX noon to midnight	4 Physics to 7:45 am CeC 8 am to midnight	5 Physics	6 Physics	4 hrs maintanance 12 hrs APEX 16 hrs CeC 2.3 days Physics
7 Physics	8 Physics	9 Physics	10 Physics	11 Physics	12 Physics	13 Physics	0 hrs maintanance 0 hrs APEX 0 hrs CeC 7 days Physics
14 Physics	15 Physics	16 Physics	17 Access 8 am – 4 pm CeC 4 pm ts	18 0 8 am (16 hrs) Physics 8 am on	19 Physics	20 Physics	8 hrs maintanance 0 hrs APEX 16 hrs CeC 6 days Physics
21 Physics	22 Physics	23 Physics	24 Physics to 7:45 am APEX 8 am to midnight	25 Physics	26 Physics	27 Physics	0 hrs maintanance 16 hrs APEX 0 hrs CeC 6.3 days Physics
28 Physics	29 Physics	30 Physics to 7:45 am Access 8 am – 4 pm 4 pm – 4 pm AuAu 5: LINAC repair commences	3.5 GeV Setup/tune	oon to 4 pm (28 hrs)			8 hrs maintanance 0 hrs APEX 1 day CeC 2.3 days Physics Totals 20 hrs maintanance

23.9 days Physics

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accommodate all of the various needs and constraints

A downside of this detailed schedule for the remainder of the run was the concentration of pp APEX at the end of the run

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			June				
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				CeC	-	Ŭ	16 hrs Trigger Setup 0 hrs APEX
				Cec	Physics & CeC	Physics & CeC	3 days CeC
				Trigger setup			2.3 days Physics
				to 4 pm Physics 4 pm on			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	16 hrs APEX
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			APEX 8 am – midnight				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	6.6 days CeC
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24	3.3 days CeC
							3.3 days Physics
Physics & CeC	Physics & CeC	Physics & CeC	Physics & CeC till 8 am		RHICf Physics	RHICf Physics	24 hrs RHICf setup 2.6 days RHICf phys.
			RHICf pp 510 setup	8 am to 8 am (24 hrs)		
				RHICf Physics 8 am			Totals (June & July) 24 hrs Setup
25	26	27	28	29	30	July	4 days RHICf Phy.
RHICf Physics	RHICF Physics to 8 am 18 hrs STAR Calibration	STAR Calibrations			APEX 8 pm to 8 am	Cryo warm-up	8 hrs maintanance
	3	to 8 am APEX 8 pm to 8 am			Diode testing	ci 10 warni-dp	24 hrs STAR Calib.
2	Cryo warm-up Complete End of	Diode testing	Diode testing	Diode testing	8 am – noon		16 + 48(pp) hrs APEX 19.2 days CeC
Cryo warm-up	End of 21 Cryo wk Run	8 am – 8 pm	8 am – 8 pm	8 am – 8 pm	Noon, Start Cryo warm-up		18.5 days Physics
							40 hrs Diode testing
							2.8 days Cryo warm

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Program Element	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun		Jul	Aug	Sep
AGS-Booster/EBIS Startup				Feb 12	•								
RHIC Partial Cryo Cooldown to 4.5 K			Jan 8	Blue 12	2/1, 2/3, 4/5	-	- 15 we	eks —	-				
RHIC Ring Cryo Cooldown/Warm-up					Mar 5	Mar 8		Jun 15	-		Jun 18		
RHIC Full Cryo Operation													
RHIC Cryo off													
RHIC setup/commissioning (3/9 – 3/18)						1	.2 days, 3/9 – 3	3/21					
RHIC Research with Vs = 200 GeV/n Zr							27 da	ays 3/21 – 4/1	7				
Setup & RHIC Research with vs = 200 GeV/n Ru								28 d	ays 4/	17 - 5	/15		
Setup & RHIC Research with vs = 27 GeV/n Au										27 day	s 5/15 – 6/11	inc. 3 days fo	or FXT
LeReC commissioning			Jan 8	•									
CeC PoP Experiment E= 26.5 GeV/u Au			Jan 8		1	1				4 day	s 6/11 – 6/19		
							1 2 days	12 days 3 days					
NSRL (NASA Radiobiology)	9/26 - 1	1/22						Г Г					
BLIP Isotopes						Jan	uary 2 – July 5	th					
Shutdown (RHIC)													

Zr run = 27 days (24.5 "physics" + 2 CeC + .5 float) Ru run = 28 days (1.5 setup + 24.5 "physics" + 2 CeC) Au run = 27 days (1 setup + 20 "physics" + 3 FXT + 3 CeC) "physics" = physics + APEX + maintenance Dates for first three CeC periods are approximate (early April, early and late May) CeC commissioning in background = CeC Dedicated running = (Total of 11 days)

Please note the "early" start to commissioning for LeReC and CeC



Summary for Scheduling Physicist Comments

- It is important/helpful that groups anticipating making requests at the Monday weekly RHIC scheduling meeting meet internally and agree on their request prior to the meeting.
- With all of the access needs for CeC and LeRec early in the run it was hard for RHIC & STAR to hit their stride (i.e. efficiency suffered a bit), but I don't think we could avoid this.
- Once we transitioned to the detailed schedule, and reduced the number of mode transitions/week, the efficiency of the entire program improved quantitatively (e.g. slide 16).
- Deciding to match the low energy STAR AuAu energy to the CeC requirement was a big relief on the schedule constraints, allowing these two programs to run in parallel.
- With the early start to CeC and LeREC commissioning, ~ 2 months prior to the start of Run 18, the perhaps optimistic expectation is that scheduling will be much less complicated for Run 18.
- Any and all comments or suggestions on how to improve the scheduling process, or to increase the utility of the schedules, is welcome either at this Retreat, or at any time.

