
PHOBOS

Run 5 Progress

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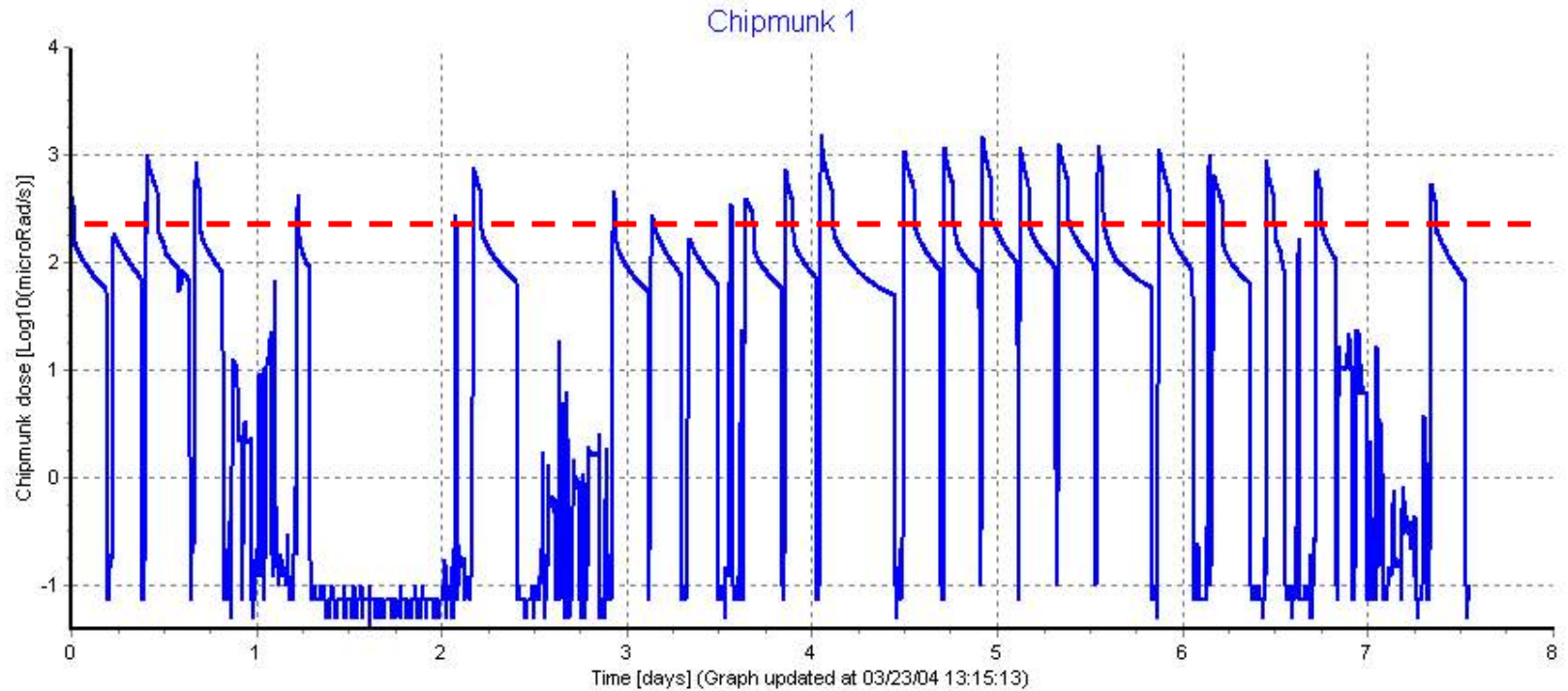
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Run Preparation

- Detector fully commissioned
 - Still working out kinks w/ trigger detectors, readout, etc.
 - Access today very useful for minor repairs
- DAQ fully commissioned
 - Stable and running at 400 Hz to tape
- Trigger configuration approaching production running
 - Triggering on vertex within $-25 < z < 10$ cm

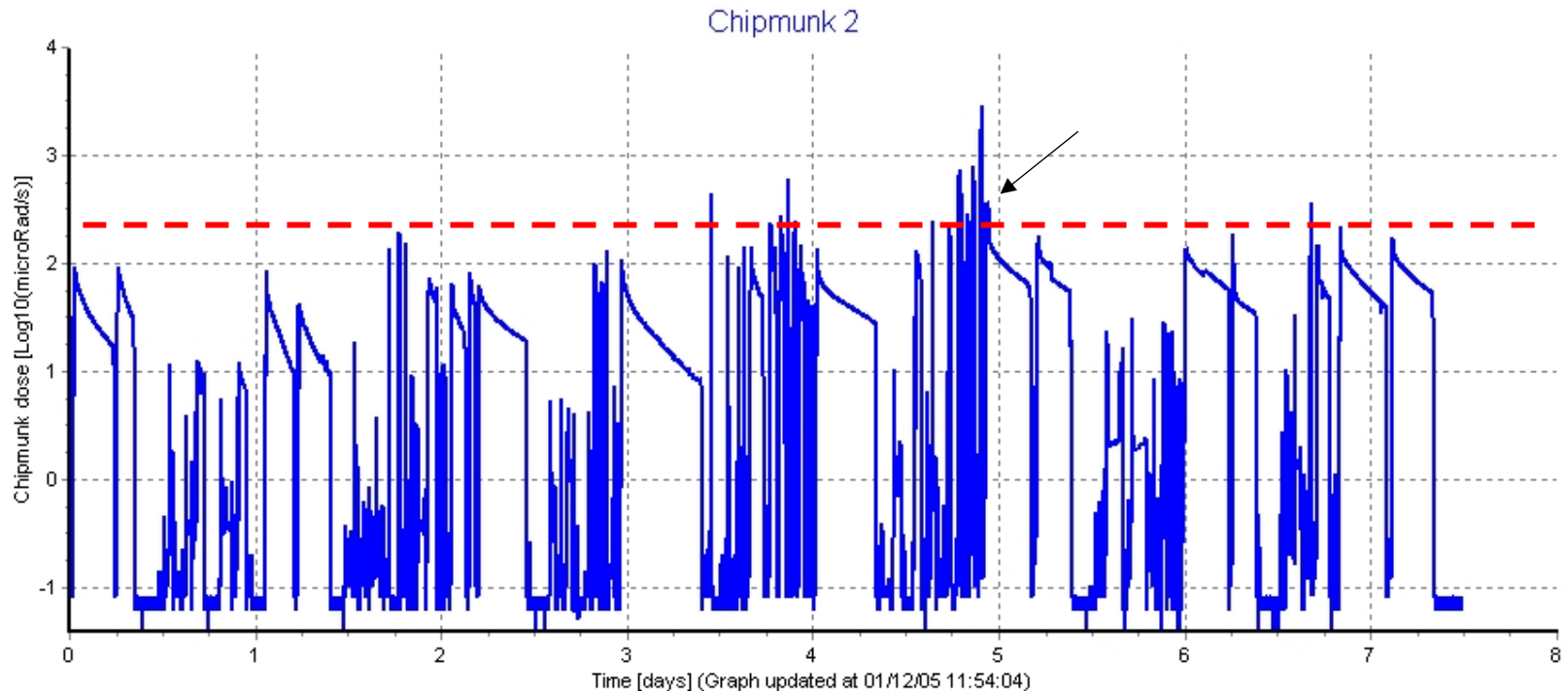
Radiation in Run 4

- End of March 2004



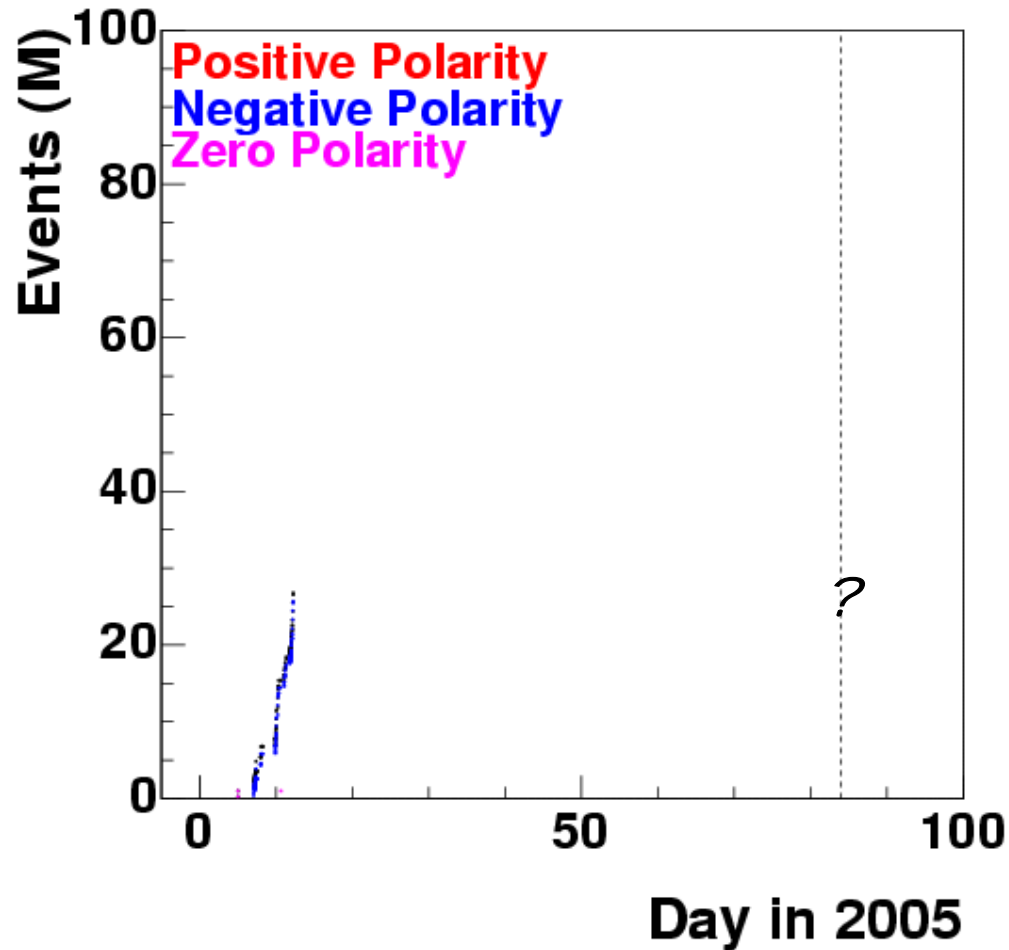
This Week in Chipmunk 2

- Radiation far below Run 4, so far...



*48 bunches leads to short-lived pressure rise.
Still evaluating lost time vs. pile-up issue
(need statistics for RHIC stores and PHOBOS data)*

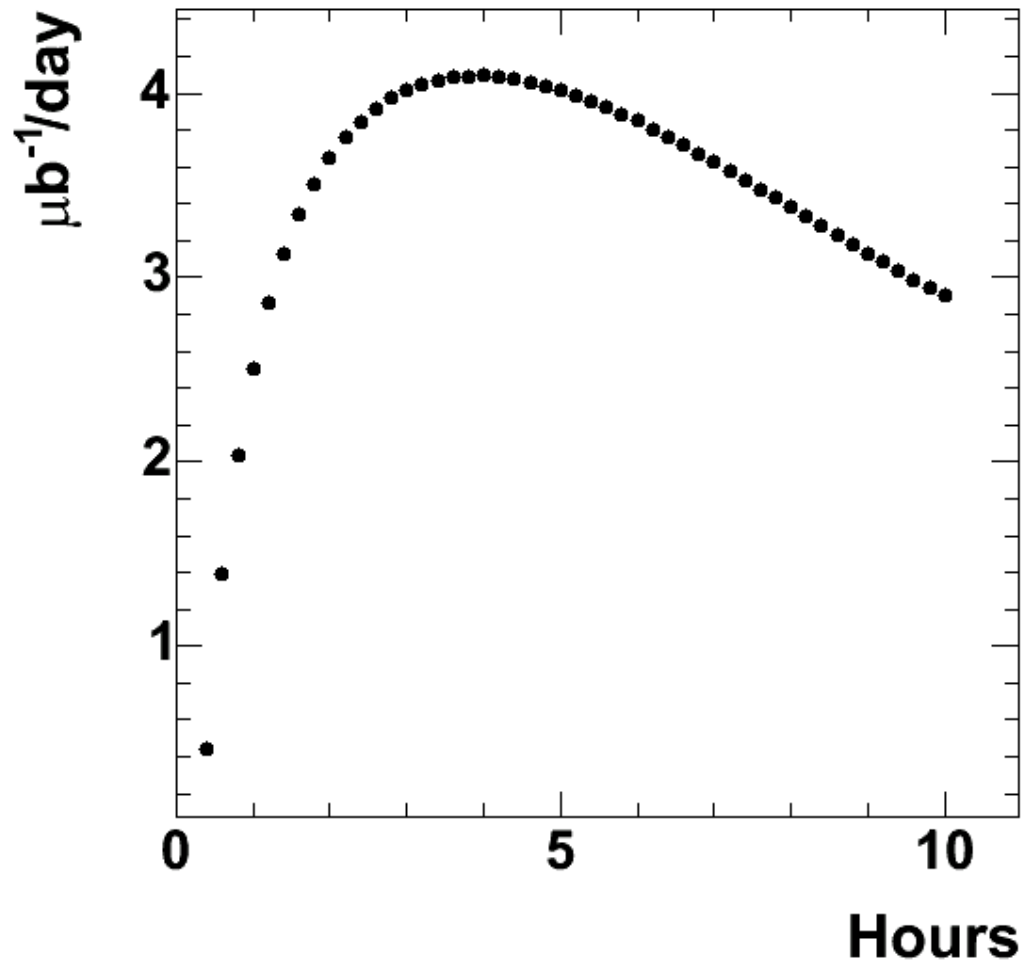
Run Statistics Cu+Cu 200 GeV



27M triggers to tape as of 8am this morning

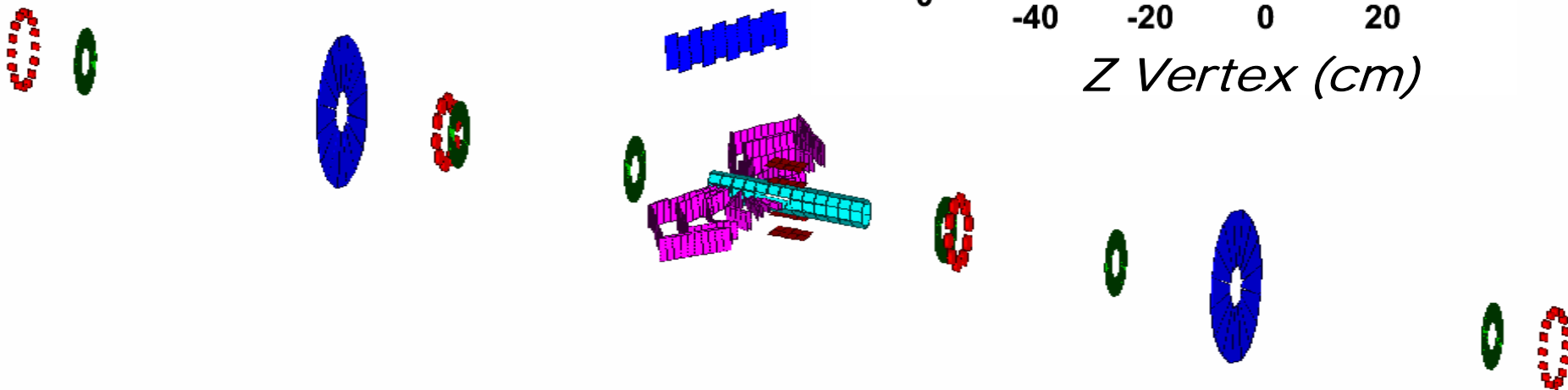
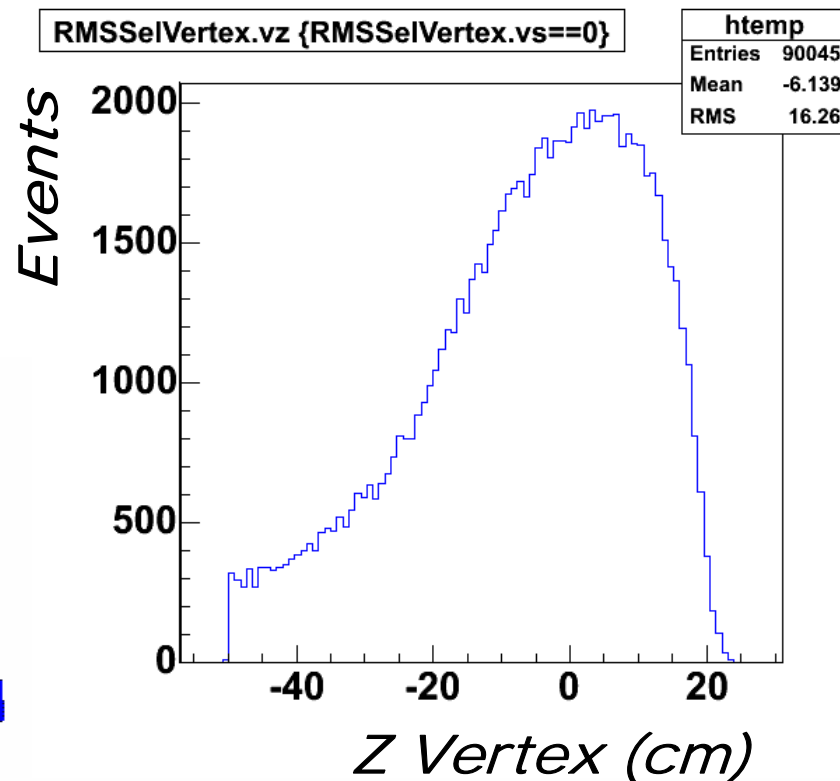
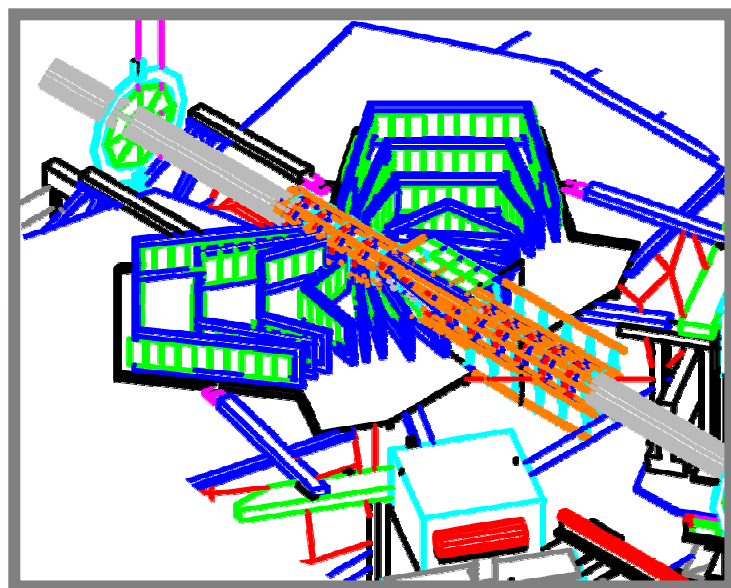
Store Length

- Assume 7000 Hz ZDC, 500 Hz DAQ, $\frac{1}{2}$ hour between stores, $\frac{1}{3}$ hour startup, $\tau=2\text{hr}$

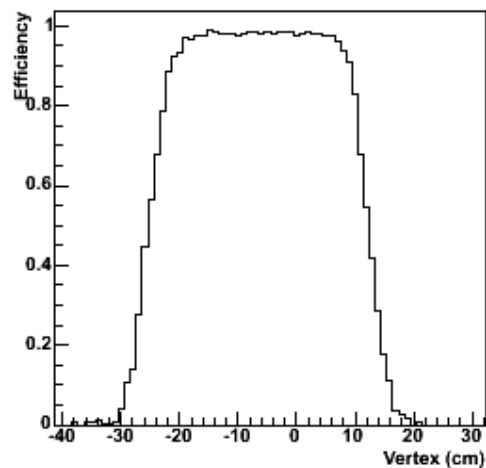
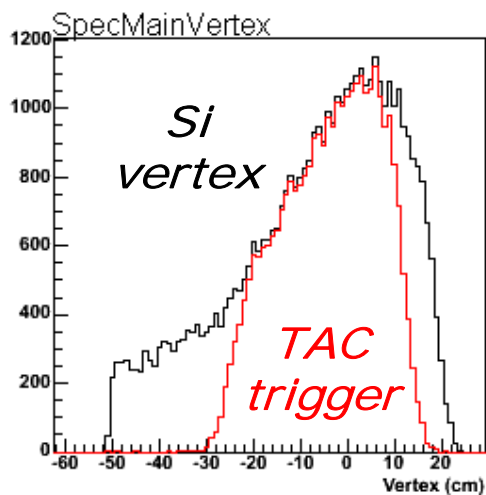
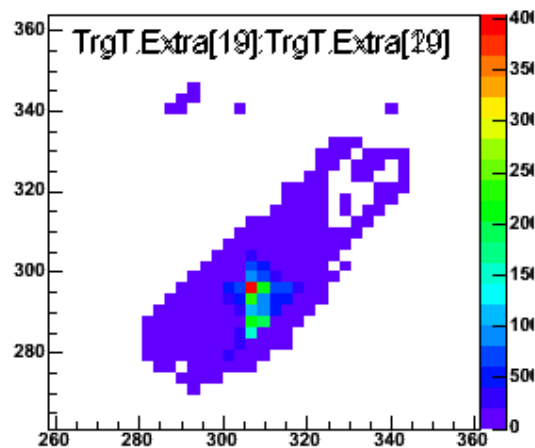
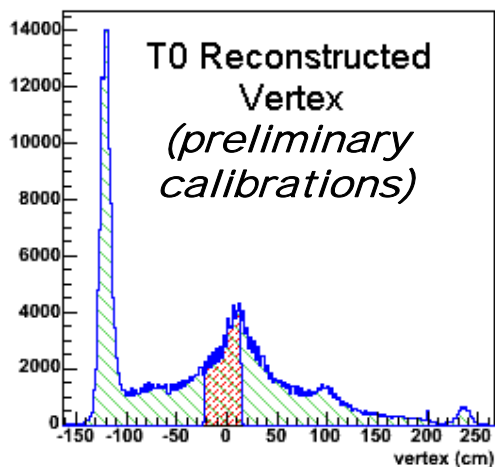


Vertex Distribution

- Production ran automatically



Commissioning TAC Trigger



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Plans

- Finished with access for the day
- Finalize production trigger
- Physics production running



Run Conditions

- Required run conditions to achieve goals – luminosity, β^* etc.
 - Assuming $\beta^*=3\text{m}$ for 200 GeV as last year
- Special requests
 - Fixed-length stores are clearly optimal for overall operation of PHOBOS
 - We would like additional time (e.g. 45 minutes) in a store if there is a substantial (>30 min) vacuum breakdown.
 - Similar to last year – times should be appropriate for the actual behavior of the machine
 - (pp): Special 400 GeV run as early as possible.

Physics Goals/Needs for Run 5

- Physics goals for planned Cu-Cu run
 - **Energy** and centrality dependence for
 - 4π observables (multiplicities, flow)
 - Particle spectra
- Needs (Cu-Cu)
 - ~ 1 Billion events @ 200 GeV ($1.5\text{-}4 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ or 2+8 weeks)
 - ~ 150 Million events @ 62.4 GeV (2 weeks)
 - 1 day @ 22.4 GeV (injection)

Cu+Cu Event Display

