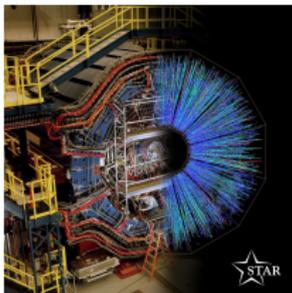# STAR Status From March 10th to March 17th

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Physics running at 9.2 GeV

- STAR detector components: BBC, VPD, TOF, TPC, BEMC, and ETOF
- Event selection: high level trigger (HLT) system
- HLT effective rate = HLTvtx70 + 0.3 × (HLTvtx150 - HLTvtx70)
- Have collected 38 M HLT effective events as of this morning, out of the 160 M goal

Day	Hours of running	Number of events (in M)	Event rate (Hz)
03/10	18.4	2.2	33
03/11	12.1	1.4	31
03/12	9.0	1.0	32
03/13	16.2	2.0	33
03/14	18.3	2.3	34
03/15	19.0	2.4	35
03/16	16.9	2.0	33

Beam conditions and event rates
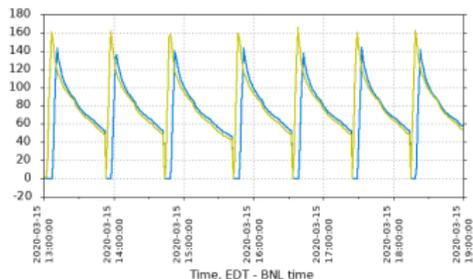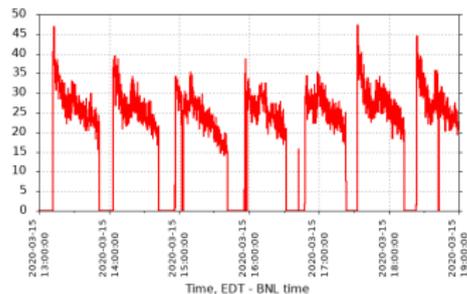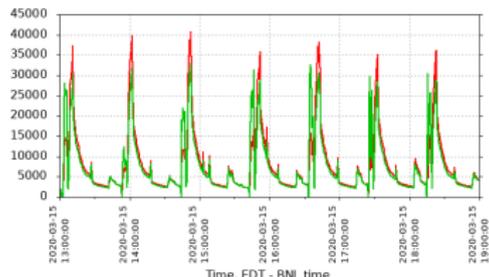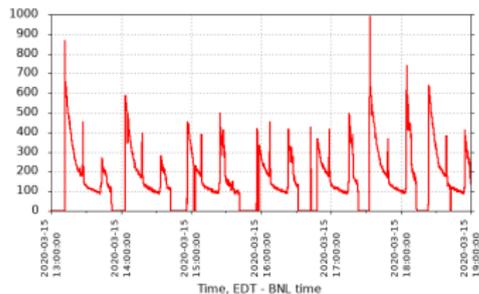
- Fill intensities are consistent among fills
- BBC singles rates peak at: injection, 1st and 2nd beta, un-squeeze at the end of fill, due to high backgrounds
- Min-bias event rates also peak at both beta squeezes during the fill
- HLT vtx 70 rate starts at 40 Hz and drops down to 20 Hz with LEReC

Summary

- Other issues:
  - AGS/EBIS problem caused fills with low beam intensity, and extended fill length
  - A couple of magnet trips
  - High background due to beam losses during injection or improper collimator settings from beta squeezes often tripped our TPC anode and ETOF

- Average rate per day: 31 Hz, average running hours per day: 15 hours, and average number of events per day: 1.7 M

- Expect to achieve goal for 9.2 GeV collisions (160 M HLT effective events) by the end of May, if no interruption