



# Data Reconstruction for the sPHENIX experiment

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# sPHENIX at a Glance



- 3-year run plan:
  - 2023: Commissioning and Au+Au physics
  - 2024: p+p and p+Au reference data
  - 2025: Au+Au high statistics production

See Murad Sarsour's slides (July 7) for details

**Parton Energy Loss** 

vary mass/momentum of probe



# sPHENIX Data Environment

- Designed for unbiased sampling of Au+Au to avoid trigger effects in jets and collect untriggerable observables
- Maximize data-taking before EIC construction begins:
  - 15kHz readout, tracking detectors streaming
  - Near-realtime offline event reconstruction
  - Computing resources in each year will be needed for that run -- limited opportunity to revisit/reprocess raw data from earlier runs
- RHIC is mature: Delivered luminosity will be high on day one.

### DAQ Overview







The tracking detectors are read out through the ATLAS "FELIX" card directly into a standard PC



ATLAS FELIX Card



Installed in a Server



- Buffer boxes have twin file systems that can hold several stores
- Downstream links only need to handle *average* load (including breaks, accesses, accelerator studies)

# Writing Data

- **sPHENIX has no online event building** -- we write data from the buffers directly to 61 files by subsystem
- Less complexity in the online system, less real-time risk
- Many advantages in the offline system too:
  - Event building occurs on the fly during event reconstruction -- only needs to keep up with average rate
  - Events are time-ordered within files -- calibrations apply to contiguous blocks
  - Reco steps only load the data they will use -- tracking jobs only read tracking detector data, etc.
- But there's a price:
  - Reprocessing directly from tape is much harder -many files have to be staged together in order to reconstruct events.
  - Remote processing would require lots of additional logistics



# Maximizing Minbias Data in pp



- TPC drift time means ~13us of data streaming for a full event
- ~118 collisions happen during this time, and are partially captured in the 13us window
- More minbias by recording more timebins: Extending window by 110ns completes another collision for nearly free

DAM data output: Throttled data rate = 133 Gbps, Triggered data rate = 140 Gbps



#### **Event Reconstruction**



### Calorimeter Calibration Scheme

- Multiple calibration steps in full workflow:
- Initial: flatten gains across detector
- Steady-state: compare each new time period to detect and correct gain drift





#### Iterative Calibration Performance

- 'Tower-by-Tower'  $\pi^0$  peak finding and calibration in mock data
- Clusters include multiple cal. blocks -- sort by center tower



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### **TPC** Calibration

- Easier: Correct the readout signals for position-dependent gain
  - measure gain of all GEM modules before assembly
  - monitor gain from MIP spectra
- Harder: Determine where in the TPC the electrons came from:



Monitors full 3D volume



Average distortions monitored by tracks O(10min) to accumulate statistics Monitors full 3D volume



Distortion **fluctuations** monitored by **CM pattern/diffuse laser** O(**kHz**) rep rate, interleaved with triggered events Monitors only at z=0

**Digital current** infers ion backflow from electrons at readout. Provides indirect measure of SC distortion



# **Distortion Correction Scheme**

- · Very short time window where derived corrections will apply
- Derive corrections on the fly, preserve only for QA sampling



# Digital Current

- Integrate e- arriving at logical blocks of readout pads over O(10ms), scale by IBF gain to get "digital current" density
- Calculate fields from charge
- Swim test particles through modeled fields to derive corrections
- Also studying ML approaches



#### Distortion and Tracking Performance

• Distortion unit tests:





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*shown from stand-alone study without full clustering chain.
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ACTS Tracking in mock data (w/ pile-up)



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# Summary

- Compressed sPHENIX run schedule: need to shorten the learning curve that usually starts when beam arrives
- RHIC is mature: high luminosity will be available from the start.
- Mixed triggered+streaming readout
- Data rate and run schedule are saturated: reconstruction must run with ~fixed latency
- Busy time for us:
  - Continuing to develop reconstruction software
  - Building and installation as well -- beam scheduled early 2023!

# DAQ Diagram



FEM/FEE: Front-End Module / Electronics

- DCM2 Data collection Module (v2)
- FELIX ATLAS-developed readout card
- SEB SubEvent Buffer
- EBDC Event Buffer and Data Compressor

Courtesy Martin Purschke

### Production System





Workflow Management System

- Submits production jobs on local and remote compute resources
- Steers execution of inter-dependent job pipelines
- Returns job outputs through Rucio



Data Management System

- Stages input data to compute resources
- Manages intermediate job products
- Catalogs the final job outputs



#### Version Control

- Tags and archives production job definitions
- Revision control for the scripts and macros which execute the jobs

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# SHREK

sPHENIX Handy Remote Execution Koordinator (SHRE SHREK provides a coordination layer, simplifying the task of defining jobs, staging data sets and documenting production campaigns while providing a single source description for the complete production.





- Individual jobs declared in a job description file
- SHREK analyzes dependencies and maps jobs onto PanDA
- Required inputs are staged via Rucio if not present
- Production files are tagged and archived to github

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GitHub

#### Calorimeter Flow Chart

