SPS Test Beam Plan

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Main Phases

Configuration		Description Am	ount of Data Needed
1) _	 / / 	. No D Field	many as necessary get system under control
2)	#=#	 Use the best plane as determined by 1) Tilted to ~10 degrees Alignment with PLT 	~100k events
3)	Same as 2)	 Take data with B field to measure Lorentz smearing Different field values: +3T, +2T, +1T, then -3T, -2T, -1T, finishing with 0T 	200k at +- full 100k at +-1, +-2 200k at 0
4)	Same as 1)	 Measure spatial resolution with charge sharing 	1 million events

Expected Data Rates

What's the beam cycle duration?

The beam cycle is defined for the SPS machine in order to service all users: Fixed-Target, CNGS, LHC. Typical configurations:

Cycle lengthFlat top (fixed target)Users			
16.8s	4s	SPSNA	
43.8s	9s	SPSNA+3CNG5+LHC	
14.25	4s	Ions	

Duty Cycle: 20%

- Expect readout can handle at least 100 Hz (pessimistic)
- 90,000 events per hour
- Full program as previously described lasts ~23 hours

Questions

- B-field orientation? Max field (+ and -)? Ramp time?
- Distance from counting room to setup?
- Can we go in earlier to setup? If not in the beam line, can we go to the counting room?
- Remaining paperwork? Safety inspection?