

# Run-8 Trigger Projections (p-p @ 200 GeV)

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**Table 2: Maximum luminosities that can be reached after a sufficiently long running period. All numbers are given for operation at an energy of 100 GeV/nucleon.**

Mode	No of bunches	Ions/bunch [10 <sup>9</sup> ]	$\beta^*$ [m]	Emittance [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{peak}}$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{store avg}}$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	L <sub>week</sub>
Au-Au	103	1.1	0.85	17-35	30×10 <sup>26</sup>	12×10 <sup>26</sup>	350 $\mu\text{b}^{-1}$
Cu-Cu	111	6	0.9	15-30	12×10 <sup>28</sup>	4×10 <sup>28</sup>	14 nb <sup>-1</sup>
Si-Si	111	12.5	0.9	15-30	50×10 <sup>28</sup>	17×10 <sup>28</sup>	60 nb <sup>-1</sup>
d-Au	83	120d/1.1Au	1.0	15-30	30×10 <sup>28</sup>	14×10 <sup>28</sup>	40 nb <sup>-1</sup>
p↑-p↑ *	111	175	0.9	20-25	70×10 <sup>30</sup>	40×10 <sup>30</sup>	14 pb <sup>-1</sup>

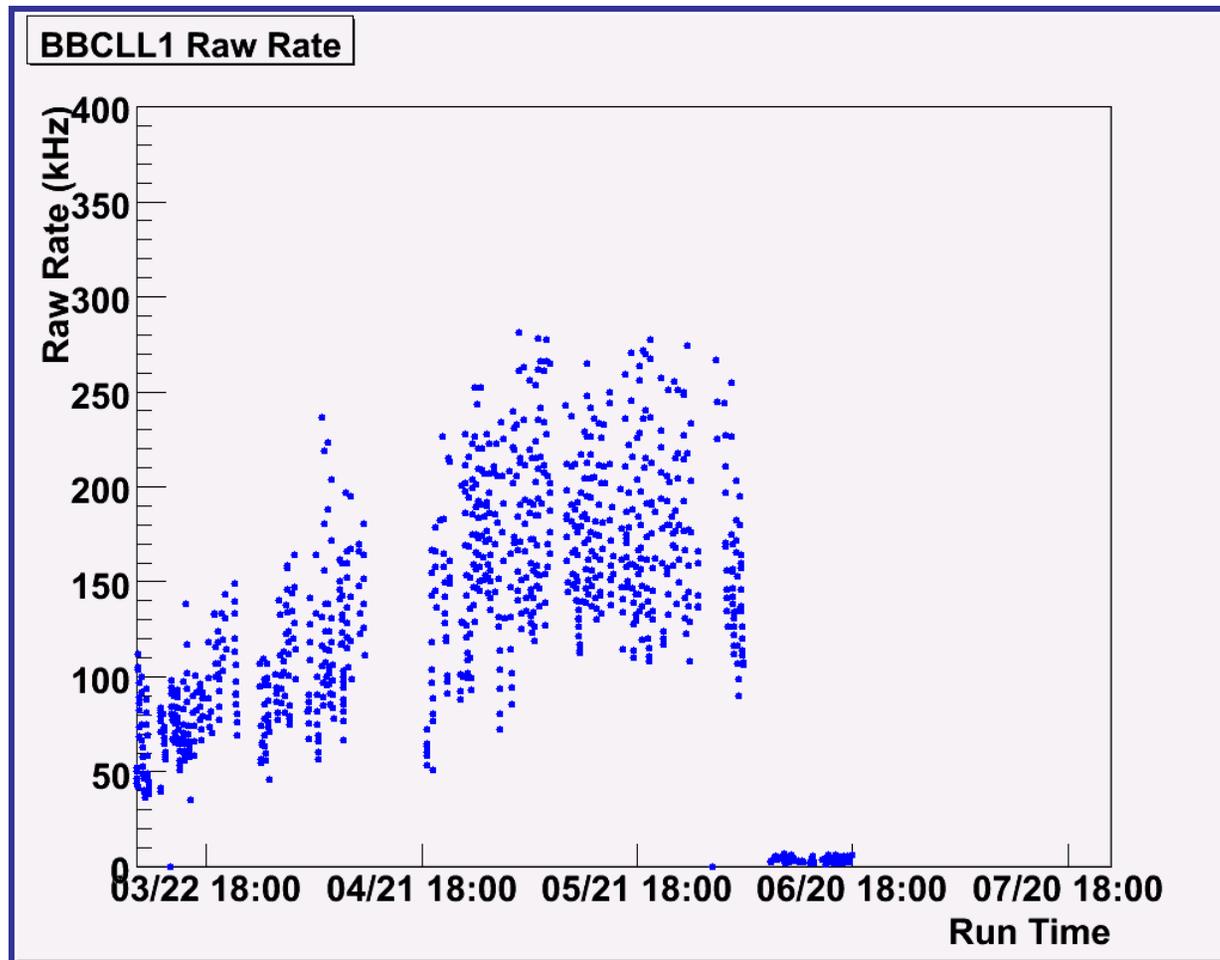
\*We expect that an average store polarization of 65% can be reached. If both STAR and PHENIX elect again to have 9 non-colliding bunches, the luminosity is reduced by 9% compared to the numbers stated in the table.

Assume 43 milli-barn p-p inelastic cross section, BBCLL1 firing on 50%, and  $|z_{\text{vtx}}| < 30$  cm on 50%....

**→ Peak = 750 kHz    → Average = 430 kHz**

Note that these projections were for a longer run. However, plan trigger and DAQ throughput based on maximum peak rate.

# Run-6 pp results for BBCLL1 raw rate versus time.



The highest BBCLL1 rates from Run-6 were of order 250 kHz.

That was at the very limit of what we could take with no prescale on the ERT 4x4 (with threshold  $\sim 1.4$  GeV).

## List of current 32 Level-1 triggers....

No reliable beam for checking rejection factors yet !

MUIDLL1_S1D&ERTLL1_4x4c&BBCLL1	MUIDLL1_N1H&BBCLL1
MUIDLL1_N1D&ERTLL1_4x4c&BBCLL1	MUIDLL1_S1H&BBCLL1
BBCLL1(>0 tubes)	MUIDLL1_N1H&ERTLL1_4x4c&BBCLL1
BBCLL1(noVertexCut)	MUIDLL1_S1H&ERTLL1_4x4c&BBCLL1
ZDCLL1wide	(MUIDLL1_N1D&S1D)&BBCLL1
ZDCLL1narrow	MUIDLL1_N2D&BBCLL1
BBCLL1&(ZDCN ZDCS)	MUIDLL1_S2D&BBCLL1
Clock	ZDCN  ZDCS
ERTLL1_2x2&BBCLL1	ZDCNS
ERTLL1_4x4a&BBCLL1	MPC_4x4
RxNP&BBCLL1	MPC_4x4&BBCLL1
ERTLL1_4x4b&BBCLL1	ERTLL1_4x4b
ERTLL1_4x4c&BBCLL1	PPG(Pedestal)
ERTLL1_E&BBCLL1	PPG(Test Pulse)
MUIDLL1_N1D&BBCLL1	PPG(Laser)
MUIDLL1_S1D&BBCLL1	Noise

I assume we will hear about other trigger requests at today's meeting. Some of the above triggers could be combined.

I will outline some of these new triggers in the following slides.

## A. Sivers central arm (hadron) – muon arm (hadron) correlations...

**MUIDLL1\_N1H&ERTLL1\_4x4c&BBCLL1**  
**MUIDLL1\_S1H&ERTLL1\_4x4c&BBCLL1**

One wants identified hadrons in the muon arms (and thus the 1H triggers – no hit in the last gap).

“Since for the Sivers central-muon correlations we are interested in hard scattering events, and the BBC sees a sizeable fraction of the cross section for such events, including the BBC doesn't hurt. The MuIDLL1 trigger is susceptible to noise in the MuID itself without the coincidence of another trigger (usually BBC) but including and ERT trigger will take care of that.

John Lajoie”

One we know the rejection factor of these triggers, we could try running without the BBCLL1 in coincidence and see if that rejection is sufficient. I would prefer to wait to do this until stable beam conditions and reasonable luminosity are achieved.

**Also, note that the ERTLL1\_4x4c (~ 1.4 GeV threshold) & BBCLL1 has no prescale up to rates of 250 kHz. However, we need to confirm the factor of 75 rejection of this trigger.**

## B. Charm via electron-muon coincidence

**MUIDLL1\_S1D&ERTLL1\_4x4c&BBCLL1**  
**MUIDLL1\_N1D&ERTLL1\_4x4c&BBCLL1**

“Similar MUIDLL1 & ERTLL1 trigger is important for e-mu coincidence trigger for open-charm production data. This should be taken without prescale, and (better) without BBCLL1 request.

Yuji”

These are different from the previous triggers since the muon trigger is now for muons (1D).

Once we know the rejection factor of these triggers, we could try running without the BBCLL1 in coincidence and see if that rejection is sufficient. I would prefer to wait to do this until stable beam conditions and reasonable luminosity are achieved.

## C. Charm from single muons

**MUIDLL1\_N1D&BBCLL1**

**MUIDLL1\_S1D&BBCLL1**

**MUIDLL1\_N1H&BBCLL1**

**MUIDLL1\_S1H&BBCLL1**

Vince and Donny have pointed out that the single muon physics is often limited at high  $p_T$  by the understanding of punch-through background. The the 1H muon triggers allow us to enhance this sample.

These triggers typically do not have enough rejection and need significant prescaling.

One rejections are confirmed, we could combine these into  $4 \rightarrow 2$  triggers with the OR condition (assuming it fits/works in the GL1 logic).

## D. More Minimum Bias (BBCL1) events...

Sasha Milov requested a factor of x5 increase in minimum bias statistics for phi and other hard to trigger on particles (in certain pT ranges).

In previous pp running, Sasha quoted  $1.5 \times 10^9$  minimum bias events recorded. Thus, the request is for  $7.5 \times 10^9$  minimum bias events.

However, for this coming run, I get that in 5 weeks there are # seconds =  $5 \times 7 \times 24 \times 60 \times 60 = 3 \times 10^6$ .

If RHIC x PHENIX uptimes are  $0.5 * 0.6$ , that means we are taking data for approximately  $1 \times 10^6$  seconds.

Thus, even if we allocated 1 kHz of the DAQ bandwidth to minimum bias, we would only get  $1 \times 10^9$  minimum bias events recorded. There is no way to get  $1.5 \times 5 = 7.5 \times 10^9$  recorded minimum bias events.

We always try to have some minimum bias sample, but if the luminosities are very high  $\gg 250$  kHz, the bandwidth is very tight.

## Physics Issues for PWGs to think about....

1. Highest priority last run was ERT 4x4 with lowest threshold ( $\sim 1.4$  GeV)  
At the highest rates in Run-6 ( $\sim 250$  kHz), this trigger was using  $\sim 3$  kHz of DAQ bandwidth.  
For running at higher rates, this trigger will be prescaled.

Topic for discussion, is there an issue with masking a lot of the PbG1 for this lowest threshold (not the higher ones)?

2. Run-6 electron 2x2 threshold at 400 MeV. Clearly this has physics impact for low mass dileptons. Proposal is to raise to 600 MeV, otherwise we need a prescale at the higher luminosities (even at 200-250 kHz).

What do people think? **No objections so far !**

3. I have defined an MPC4x4 and (MPC4x4 & BBCL1). Do we need more defined trigger slots for different thresholds?
4. Other spin related polarimeter needs?
5. Note that triggers without BBC are a challenge. Significant issue with muon triggers due to “ringing events”. Algorithm for rejecting these ringing events not yet debugged, and otherwise screws up livetime.

## Level-2 Filtering...

A list of algorithms and trigger bits should be sent to the list for review.

In particular, for the 2 Muon case, in Run-6 we did not run the muon Level-2 algorithm, but just filtered on the Level-1 2-deep trigger bits. I would prefer to do this again this run.