Test beam in DESY



- Main manpower:
 - 3 postdocs
 - 1 PhD student
 - 3 master students
- ~1 month
 - installation
 - tests
 - data taking



Configuration

- 3 modules, ~1/2 pads instrumented (~7600 channels)
- 4segment GEMS



- ALTRO electronics
- New protection boards



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Test beam campaign

- High Voltage testing
 - in test boxes, no problems
 - in LP: HV trips => reduced HV, fixed GEM voltages
- Electronics tests
 - High noise
 - Improved by extra grounding
- Quick, low statistics test runs to tune parameters
- High statistics data taking for performance studies

Electronics noise



The electronics noise increased to unusually high levels when the High Voltage was turned on.

Electronics noise



p1-gain0-shaper0-dac500 run: 18349

With improved grounding between the TPC and the HV distribution boxes, the noise is significantly reduced when the GEM HV is up

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Data taking



Quick resolution study



First run with improved grounding VGEM 330V, 340V



Increased GEM gain (330V, 355V): improved resolution at long drift

Increasing the GEM gain improves the resolution (as expected). The GEMs could not hold higher voltages.

Space residuals: Correcting GEAR file



Old GEAR file

Corrected using pad plane measurements

1 GEM broken



One GEM shorted, reason unclear. Further data taking with 2.5 modules

Long data taking

High statistic to allow tight cuts

- Z scans, phi = -10, 0, 10
- X scans B=0, 1T
- Theta scan
- Study of angle effects
- Study of alignment and field distortions

Conclusion

- Beam test with Asian modules completed
- Difficulties with HV trips and noise overcome
- Preliminary fast runs with low statistics (2000 events) very helpful for tuning parameters

with moving stage, a Z-scan takes ~1 hour

- Nice preliminary results, fun analysis to come
- Data summaries on our wiki: http://www-hep.phys.saga-u.ac.jp/ILC-TPC/index.php?Large%20Prototype %201%2FTests%2FBeamTest%202012%2FData%20Taking

Backup slides

Drift velocity

