# Pion beam momentum calibration

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1. Primary beam focused at pion target using kickers (very bad precision, relies on beam line calculation )

2. Pion beam line set to theoretical values for reference momentum

3. Check of beam spot on Start detector  $\rightarrow$  adjustment changing HADMU1 (<1/1000) and HADMU2 (4/1000)

## How to extract $\delta$ (and $\theta_i$ , $\phi_i$ and $y_i$ )

### H and V are strongly coupled + chromatic terms in vertical



## Calibration of pion beam line

- Using proton beam at p=2.7 GeV/c in April-May 2014 at different  $\delta$ , x0,  $\phi$ 0, y0
- Dispersive terms measured with good precision:
- Most important term T16(det1) for pion momentum reconstruction only 3% lower than theory
  - differences for T16(det2), T36(det1) and T36(det2) are larger,
  - up to a factor 2 for T16(det2) but effect on pion momentum is small.
- Horizontal first order terms T11 (det1), T12(det1), T11 (det2), T12(det2) could also be measured with rather good precision:
  - T12 (det1) much larger than expected (focal plane probably shifted)
    → effect on resolution at large deltas (especially negative ones)
  - Other terms have smaller effect
- Vertical terms (T33, T34) could not be extracted reliably: probably due to uncontrolled position of beam in vertical plane and/or beam enveloppe cut.
   T33 and T34 have an effect on y0 and φ0 reconstruction but not on pion momentum

### Deas for a better calibration of pion beam line (Thierry at Bratislava)

- Repeat the previous calibration procedure with control on position of the primary beam at the pion production target. (i.e. with detectors measuring this position)
- Collimators with holes at the entrance of the first Qpole to reconstruct the pion beam at definite emission angles (check of T12(det1), T34(det1), T12 (det1), T34 (det2))

## But, data provide already a lot of checks...

• Major (foreseen ) problem is the uncontrolled position of primary beam in vertical plane

# Ydet1\*Ydet2 correlation



Simulationp=1.7 GeV/c with multiple scattering

Results from simulation

- Correlation consistent with simulations. It is mainly due to scaling factor (~3.6) between the main coefficients for Ydet2 and Ydet1
- Distribution of counts strongly dependent on y0
- General trend much closer to «TRANSPORT » coefficients than « measured » ones
- Seems to corroborate the fact that the vertical coefficients were not measured accurately

## Stability of Ydet1\*Ydet2 correlation

#### Two files at p= 1.7 GeV/c (July) from Joana



- exactly same profiles for the two sets of July data (checked by Joana), but different yields along the correlation line
- Indication for shifts of the primary beam in vertical plane of a few mm/10

# Comparison of experimental and theoretical transmissions



Width of experimental distribution ( $\sigma$ ~2.4%) significantly broader than calculated one ( $\sigma$ ~1.5%)



#### Sensitivity to shifts in y:

- mean value shifted towards lower  $\delta s$
- Acceptance reduced
- Larger effect for negative shifts
  Shifts in x only shift the distribution 0.2%/mm (no effect on acceptance)

## Jumps of mean pion momentum



- Shifts of primary beam in  $x \rightarrow$  error on pion reconstruction, no effect on transmission i.e. HADES measurement not affected
  - ightarrow bad correlation between HADES and beam tracker
- Shifts of primary beam in Y  $\rightarrow\,$  large effect on transmission (shift and reduction) shift of mean pion momentum, correlation between HADES and pion beam tracker conserved
- Y0 shifts to be checked by analysing the reconstructed y0 spectra

# How to use the pion beam momentum from beam tracker





- In a stable period, the acceptance width is as expected from simulation !
- But it varies in average position and magnitude from one period to another

#### Finally:

- We can trust the momentum reconstruction, except for small shifts in x
- Better use the measured dispersive and horizontal plane first order coefficients, but not the vertical ones !
- The shape of the transmission is close to the calculated one (to be checked more quantitatively).
- But we suffered from shifts of primary beams of a few mm/10 (also to be checked) For each stable period,
- The mean pion momentum can be readjusted (using an offset) to the HADES value
- The magnitude (but not the width) of the acceptance is changing, but it is not a problem due to the normalisation to elastic scattering

# Suggestions for the future at FAIR (SIS18?)

### Thierry, Bratislava

- Measure field maps of Dipoles and Q-poles for a much better description of the transport beam line through TRANSPORT calculations
- Add diagnostics elements at the pion production target and before (eventually record the position information to further be able to correct even if not possible on an event-by-event basis)
- Make the horizontal size of the primary beam as narrow as possible
- Make a 1<sup>st</sup> order intermediate focus in both H and V for the 1<sup>st</sup> detector
- Avoid bending in vertical plane
- Add sextupole(s) to cancel out T<sub>126</sub> (and T<sub>346</sub> if needed) effects and realize a 2<sup>nd</sup> order focusing at the 1<sup>st</sup> detector ('cancelling' the effect of multiple scattering)
- Install a collimator with holes (intellectual satisfaction, since no benefit from a resolution point of view for the HADES case). This avoids trying to realize large primary beam incident angles

# Back-up

## Tuning the beam with an $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ angle offset

