ProtoDUNE-SP operation updates

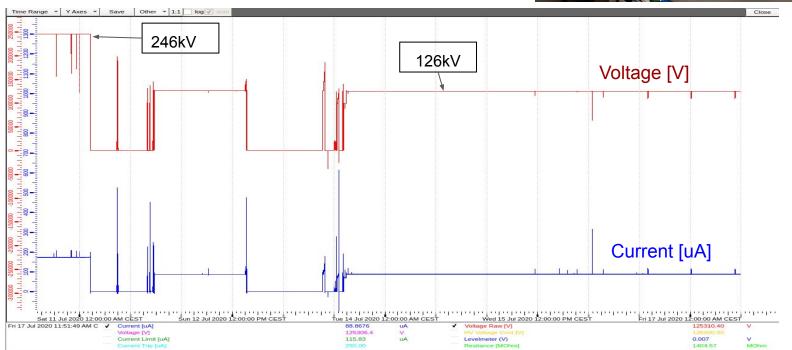
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This week - HV operations

- Last week we were stable at 650V/cm from Wednesday to Saturday early in the morning
- On July 11th, early in the morning we tripped
 - Attempts to ramp up to the hv back to 180kV was not successful
 - Quick inspection on the system showed broken resistors.
 - Fixing the resistor and noise filter did not solve the problem and we were able to ramp up ~126kV
- On Monday, July 13th, moved back to the previous ProtoDUNE-SP hv setup
 - 200kV PS, inline noise filter
 - Ramping up to 180 kV failed
 - No visible problem with the filter, cable and PS
 - Problem with HVFT, cable that goes into the cable?
- Running at 126 kV since Monday afternoon







This week - other activities

Operations

 Installed inclinometers to the top of the cryostat → details in Mattia's talk today

Data taking

- Cosmic runs at 350V/cm
- Neutron runs with generator on/off
 - Almost in continuous mode with crt+random trigger
 - Data taking with neutron generator trigger only
- Special runs with APA5 and APA1 for the neutron studies → Phil's talk today

DAQ tests and developments

FELIX hitfinding and firmware tests

 Longer-than-normal readout window tests to understand if we could take 1-second TPC&PDS data

Michel trigger with SSPs



This weekend and next week

This weekend:

- Friday evening and night → system is available DAQ tests and developments
- SSP/CE data at 0 field with generator on
- Continue to take cosmic data with the neutron generator on/off
- Attempt to ramp up the HV to 180kV on the cathode

Next week:

- Start emptying the cryostat
- Whenever we have green light from the cryogenic group
 - Install new camera/s into the cryostat to monitor CPA defermotion
 - Extract HVFT and use its flange for one of the cameras
 - Extract X-Arapuca's from the cryostat
- A set of pulse injection runs for APA bias at low frequencies for ripple/filter requirement studies
- There will be a cooling water intervention on next Tuesday and therefore, most of the DAQ components will be turned off
- While emptying the cryostat, it is possible to keep the CEs on. They will be available for testing and development beyond next week