INFN GEM Update:

2/3/21-2/10/21

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- Hardware (Feb. 3-4)
 - BigBite GEM frame installed on front of BigBite Detector
 - Started preparing TEDF for GEMs, moved 10 cable mats and laid fiber optic cable
 - Started taking cosmic data at HV=3900 V and 4000 V.
- Cosmic Data (Feb. 3-8)
 - DAQ/Electronics unstable. From Hit Maps, problems on MPDs 7 and 15.
 - Strange error for MPD 16 over the weekend, Monday MPD 16 is fine.
- Hardware (Feb. 8)
 - Troubleshooting MPD 7 and 15. Checked and adjusted LV for chamber J3. Found backplane on MPD 15 with missing capacitors, replaced backplane. Power cycled LV source and VME crate.

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What we expect: Hit Map (Cosmic run 156) Nov 10

(statistics: ~ last 30000 events) AR/CO2 gas flow ~ $\frac{1}{2}$ of "nominal" values HV = 4150V NOTE: use pedestal 142 at HV=4000 V



Preliminary: Hit Map (Cosmic run 392) Feb.3

(statistics: ~ first 298489 events) AR/CO2 gas flow ~ "nominal" values HV = 4000V

NOTE: use pedestal 381 at HV=0V

hcxy: x/y Chamber J4 hcxy: x/y Chamber J3 hcxy: x/y Chamber J0 50500 00 000 000 50 500 000 00 500 50 1000 1000 1000 800

Red: Most likely issue with DAQ/electronics for MPD 7. Blue: Most likely issue with DAQ/electronics for MPD 15. Green: Poorly soldered resistor which usually recovers once HV is on for a bit

hcxy: x/y Chamber J2



For Red and Blue, odd part is that neither DAQ nor Low Level Histograms give errors.



What to do next?

- GEM Chambers
 - Figure out problems with J4 and J3, possibly linked to MPDs 7 and 15.
 - Create better transportation supports and overhang for cart
 - Cosmic Run check and latency scan
 - If cosmic data is good, prepare TEDF for moving of 2 GEM chambers: J0 and J2
- BigBite GEM Frame
 - Test ¼" spacers on first position of BigBite frame.
 - Fashion material to be attached to frame to protect GEM modules
 - Vertically test GEM frames and realistic chamber, before moving chambers
- Data Analysis:
 - Analyze recent cosmic data
 - Evaristo adjust macro for determining average efficiencies to remove dead areas
 - Understand Andrew's alignment process vs my own.