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CMS detector performance

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Abstract

The CMS experiment at the LHC collected last year around 5 /fb of integrated luminosity at 7 TeV center-of-mass energy. The CMS detector has shown an excellent data taking efficiency. The global CMS and several subdetectors performances will be presented. The goal of the 2012 operations is to collect again 5 /fb by the end of June and finally 15 /fb at the end of the year, with a new center-of-mass energy at 8 TeV and higher luminosity. The CMS detector should cope with these new conditions and the first results from this year data will be given.

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1 Introduction

The CMS detector [1] collected already enough data in 2011 and 2012 to cover a broad physics program. The higher center-of-mass energy at 8 TeV in 2012 allowed to strengthen the Higgs boson sensitivity as well as to look for new physics [2]. We will review the CMS detector performances, starting from all sub-detectors up to the physics object identification.

2 CMS data taking performance

At the end of June 2012, the CMS experiment collected about 5 /fb of usable data for analysis at a center-ofmass energy of 7 TeV and the same amount of data at 8 TeV. Fig. 1 shows both delivered and recorded integrated luminosities for the 2011 data. The overall data taking efficiency (defined as the ratio of the recorded over delivered integrated luminosity) by CMS is around 91% in 2011 and 93% in 2012.





Figure 1: Delivered (red) and recorded (blue) integrated luminosity during the 2011 data taking.

Figure 2: Percentages of working channels for all subdetectors.

We present in Fig. 2 the fraction of operational channels per subdetector. The average value of working channels for all subsystems is around 98%, which shows the good longterm behaviour of the different components. The experiment is closed since 2009 and should be re-opened in 2013 for the first LHC long shutdown, allowing for upgrades and some repairs in order to recover some channels.

3 Status of the different sub-detectors

3.1 Trigger

The first step of the data taking is the Level 1 (L1) trigger [1] followed by the High Level Trigger (HLT) [1] in order to reduce the rate of data written on disk. The output of the L1 trigger is 100 kHz while the output of the HLT is around 300 Hz. We present as an example in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 the turn-on curves for the L1 muons in the barrel (left) and in the endcaps (right) using the first data at 7 TeV. In both cases, a plateau efficiency close to 100% is reached after some low p_T muon cuts. The prescale factors will increase with the instantaneous luminosity to satisfy the requirements of the HLT, raising the threshold of the first unprescaled single object triggers. For instance in the latest 2012 data, the first unprescaled HLT single non-isolated muon trigger bit requires the muon to have p_T greater than 40 GeV.

3.2 Tracker

The silicon tracker [1] is composed of two parts : the inner part (pixel detector) and the outermost part (strip detector). The pixel detector is the nearest part to the beam pipe and is made of $100 \cdot 150 \ \mu\text{m}^2$ pixels. The equipped area is around 1 m² totalizing 66 millions read-out channels. The spatial resolution reached is in the range of 10-35 μ m. The strip detector is made of 25000 silicon modules, with a total of 9.6 millions read-out



Figure 3: L1 barrel muon ($|\eta| < 1.2$) turn-on curve using the first data at 7 TeV.

Figure 4: L1 endcap muon $(1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4)$ turnon curves using the first data at 7 TeV, presented for several L1 trigger bits using p_T cuts from 3 to 9 GeV.

channels. The equipped area is close to 200 m². The spatial hit resolution (which is in the range 15-45 µm) varies as a function of the pitch between the strips (from 80 to 180 µm). These performances allow to reach an overall track momentum resolution, using both parts, compatible with the design resolution [1] of $\sigma_{p_T}/p_T = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-4} p_T$ (GeV) + 0.5%.

3.3 Calorimeters

3.3.1 Electromagnetic calorimeter

The electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL) [1] is made of around 76000 scintillating PbWO4 crystals. The ECAL barrel energy resolution for electrons had been measured from beam tests : $\sigma_E/E = 2.8\%/\sqrt{E}$ (GeV) + 12%/E (GeV) + 0.3%. Fig. 5 shows the reconstructed invariant mass using the Z decaying into electron events in the barrel from the 2011 data [3]. Both distributions using the single channel intercalibration and the transparency correction are also shown. The mass resolution is 1.6% for Z into electron events in the ECAL barrel.



Figure 5: Reconstructed invariant mass from Z into electron events in the barrel, using the data taken at 7 TeV in 2011. The blue line shows the uncorrected distribution, while the red line is using the single channel intercalibration. The black line shows the result using both intercalibration and transparency correction.

3.3.2 Hadronic calorimeter

In the barrel, the hadronic calorimeter (HCAL) [1] is using brass and plastic scintillators with 7000 channels. The forward calorimeters are made with steel and quartz fibres (around 2000 channels). The HCAL design resolution is $\sigma_E/E = 120\%/\sqrt{E}$ (GeV) + 6.9%. Using isolated tracks with a momentum above 5 GeV, the hadronic calorimeter mean response is presented in Fig. 6 (barrel) and Fig. 7 (endcaps) [4], showing a correct scale energy for jet components with p_T higher than 15 GeV in both barrel and endcaps.





Figure 6: HCAL mean response in the barrel, using the first data at 7 TeV.

Figure 7: HCAL mean response in the endcaps, using the first data at 7 TeV.

3.4 Muon system

The muon system [1] is using three different technologies : the drift tubes (DT) in the barrel and the cathode strips chambers (CSC) in the endcaps in order to reach a good spatial resolution, and the resistive plate chambers (RPC, both in barrel and endcaps) for a good timing resolution.

3.4.1 Drift tubes

There are 250 DT chambers in the barrel up to $|\eta| = 1.2$, totalizing 172000 channels. The single hit resolution is in average around 250 µm as shown in Fig. 8 using the 2011 data at 7 TeV. The outermost chambers (MB4) have a worse resolution as they are only measuring the $r\phi$ coordinates : without the θ angle, the time of propagation of the signal along the wires is not corrected.



Figure 8: The DT single hit resolution is shown for the five wheels in the barrel and the four type of chambers, using the 2011 data at 7 TeV. The black line shows the data using Z into muon events and the red line shows the corresponding simulation.

3.4.2 Cathode strips chambers

The endcaps contain 468 CSC chambers that cover the region between $|\eta| = 0.9$ and $|\eta| = 2.4$, with a total of 180000 channels. The hit resolution is varying between 56 to 140 μ m. One potential problem of the endcaps is the background increasing with the luminosity. Fig. 9 shows that the trigger rate due to the background only is well under control for the CSC chambers.



Figure 9: CSC background trigger rate as a function of the luminosity, using the first data at 7 TeV.

3.4.3 Resistive plate chambers

The RPC chambers are present in both barrel (480 chambers) and the endcaps (432 chambers), with a coverage up to $|\eta| = 1.6$. The main characteristic is the fast response and the very good time resolution of 3 ns. The RPC chambers allow to give the correct bunch crossing assignment without any ambiguity. Fig. 10 shows the muon efficiency using the DT and CSC muon detectors alone (black curve) and also while adding the RPC chambers (red curve). The muon efficiency using the whole muon system is always higher than 95% and close to 98% for low momentum muons [5]. The usage of the RPC chambers allows to gain in efficiency for the low momentum muons.



Figure 10: Muon efficiency as a function of the muon momentum in GeV, using the first data at 7 TeV.

4 Object identification performance

4.1 Muons

The muon momentum resolution, combining tracker and muon system, is around 1-2% for muon p_T lower than 100 GeV and up to 5% for TeV muons in the barrel. Fig. 11 represents the dimuon mass spectrum collected using a

superimposition of the different dimuon trigger paths. It shows also an overview of all resonances "re-discovered" at the LHC up to the Z boson. The muon resolution is enough to distinguish the low mass resonances, using only the first 2011 data.



Figure 11: Dimuon masss spectrum using different trigger paths in the 2011 data.

4.2 Jets and missing transverse energy

The jet composition using dijet and $Z\mu\mu$ +jet samples shows that there is an agreement between the simulation and the 2011 data for track (charged hadrons), ECAL (photons) and HCAL (neutral hadrons) energies to within 1% in the barrel [6]. Such accuracy is also relevant in order to determine the missing transverse energy (MET), one important ingredient of the searches for supersymetry. The MET should be corrected in the simulation with jet energy scale and the jet energy resolution which is also smeared to match that observed in the data. After such corrections, the MET distributions agree very well between simulation and data as shown in Fig. 12, using Z events decaying into muons [7].



Figure 12: The MET distributions presented for two different periods of data taking in 2011.

5 Conclusion

The CMS detector performed excellently in all aspects. The data taking efficiency is very high for both 2011 and 2012, and the operational channels fraction is still in average around 98.5% for the various sub-systems. The observed resolutions for all sub-detectors are within the design resolutions, allowing the different objects identification to perform very well. The CMS detector is also ready to cope with higher luminosity and as a consequence higher pile-up conditions.

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