

2:18

Dima & Chris. Start this new log file.

Aim for this night → Practice and develop procedure for aligning detector

Go for coffee

2:39

Turn on beam

Beam still at 122, 112.

Ring E 3.1281, current 249.9

Moved from 2.8 to 3.8mm

➤ pos tboptX 3.8

this moves spot from 122,112 → 123,94

moving 1mm on stage moves  $112-94=18*55=0.990$  mm on image

2:49

beam off

Positions are noted in 'Record of Positions.xls'

Use View-→Rotate 270 degrees to get orientation correct on Medipix Preview.

(then be careful you still read X,Y correctly !)

Ask position in y

>tboptY

At 18.0mm

Moved up on Medipix image, so need to mirror flip.

So correct options to view is

View-→Rotate 270

View -> mirror flip

X, Y movements understood.

X stage movements move approximately in Y in Medipix

Y stage movements move approximately in X in Medipix

3:13

Try to understand rotations

3:45

Access to beam area, to ensure enough space for rotations

Crashed camera 5

Crashed camera 4

Can access cameras through wiki then are OK, and can zoom etc..

4:05

Theta control (rotn around y) is now fine. We can rotate by +45 and -45 freely.

We adjusted the mounting of the USB box to allow this.

Now, lets see about phi (rotn around X)

Can rotate by very close to 10 degrees (9.9996), but not quite 10. So lets use rotations by 9.9 degrees.

4:21

Beam on.

Same pixel illuminated.

The following calculation is 'Measurement 1 Phi' in Record of Postions.xls

Rotate 45 degrees in theta from theta=6 to theta=+51

See pixel moving on screen to left (high Y), but rotates off the screen.

Make translation in x to bring it back.

Moved to tboptX 28.8 mm, this is maximum allowed. The image is on screen – but cannot move further to position. Need to use coarse X.

tboptXcoarse=545.0 mm

adjusted

tboptXcoarse=552.0mm

now for extreme right of Medipix screen tboptX 28.1mm

Cannot move to extreme left of screen – box must get in way of beam.

Furthest we can move is tboptX 21.1 mm

Rotate to -45 degrees and make measurements at two positions. ONLY moving tboptX (not touching coarse, as we don't know this is aligned with fine)

Make calculation of theta offset. Theta =0.636

5:17

So we should rotate back to 6 in theta and add 0.636, so starting guess is 6.636

Made measurements for -ve rotation first.

Then rotated.

Pixel man crashed – we think cable got pulled out on rotation.

Go for beam intervention.

Cable from detector to USB got caught round pin on rotation stage and got pulled out.

Remount so cable more out of way.

6:05

Rotate back to -ve rotation (-38.364), and remake measurement.

Got angle of -1.5 (presumably it got moved during recabling)

Apply -1.5 correction and remake measurement.

6:58

Got angle of 0.19 degrees. So we are aligned. Hooray - the procedure works !

Apply, the 0.19 as a final correction. So correct angle in theta is 5.319

Go for coffee.

7:58

The following calculation is 'Measurement 1 Theta' in Record of Postions.xls

Made measurement in Phi with 9.9 degree rotation.

It was already very accurately aligned.

Get a phi offset of 0.065, from original angle of 0.

Sufficiently small that we need not iterate.

So correct angle in phi is 0.065.

8:15

DAC scan aka energy calibration

Creating filter chain. Right click on Medipix loader in the task bar and call Utilities->filter chain editor. There should be filter called FrameCrop created by Dima. Double click on it and modify values according to values where your spot is.

Go back to preview and select the filter from the Filter chain menu (bottom right corner).

The preview will zoom around the chosen area.

Go and do DAC scan now...

DAC value before the DAC scan 345 (THL-FBK = -0.0043).

9.45

Aaron and Nicola check the beam intensity before starting an area scan. Nothing is changed in the detector alignment and in the settings of Medipix.

The pixel with the maximum count rate is (158,120) with 661 counts, acquisition time 0.1 second.

THL = 345, THL-FBK = 0.000

tboptX = -5.000 tbpotY = 16.000 tboptXcoarse = 552.0 tboptZcoarse = 4.50

tboptChi = 0.0 tboptPhi = 0.0648 tboptTheta = 5.3190

tbbaseY1 = -8.0 tbbaseY2 = -8.0

10.13

Set scan

Scan Size=75 $\mu$ m with Step Size=2.5 $\mu$ m

wait times of 0.2 and 1s

Number of frames=2

Therefore in Pixelman set 1801 acquisitions (1 extra to be sure that we have 1800 frames/triggers)  
Should take ~36minutes

GDA command: scan tboptX -5.0 -5.075 -0.0025 tboptY 16.0 16.075 tbdiaX 8.0 8.21 0.2 w 0.2 pcotrig 1 rc t

Data file: 12422.dat

The acquisition was set at 1801 frames, so actually the last point acquired was -5.0725, 16.0025). The are scanned completely is [(-5.0,16.), (-5.07,16.075)].

The number of points acquired is considered sufficient.

12.05

The data taken look fine. We check again the beam with the detector. The position (-5.0025, 16.0775) looks in the middle of four pixels. [(156,120),(157,121)].

This corresponds to frame ~870.

We decide to start a new scan around that position.

12.18

Acquisition started

GDA command: scan tboptX -4.9475 -5.0225 -0.0025 tboptY 16.0675 16.1425 tbdiaX 8.0 8.81 0.2 w 0.2 pcotrig 1 ch15 rc t

The signal from the ion chamber as beam intensity monitor is added to the data acquired.

We acquire 5 frames with 0.7 ms each.

Data file: 12423.dat

**!!! THIS ACQUISITION IS STOPPED AFER A FEW MINUTES BECAUSE WE REALIZED THAT WE HAD NOT PUT ENOUGH FRAMES TO BE ACQUIRED BY PIXELMAN!!!**

Set 5000 acquisitions in Pixelman

12.35

We start the acquisition again. Same GDA command and same parameters as before.

Data file: 12424.dat

!!!!ACQUISITION STOPPED AGAIN. SOMETHING LOOKED WRONG WITH THE DATA!!!!

12.40

We start a new acquisition. Same GDA command and same parameters as before.

Data file: 12426.dat

Data saved in: \day2\2ndPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\SecondPixelScan.txt

Data analyst: please look at Chris's important note in next page

Celeste here.

The detector has been biased at 5V since 19:00 yesterday! Remember to check detector parameters at end of scan

15:38 end of scan. Enter the beam area.

Vbias = 5V

Bias current in Pixelman = 0.083618

Bias V verification = 0.092163

Put 0V in detector. Bias V verify = 0.092613, Bias current = 0.083618

### **15:41 Bias the detector at 20V**

Bias current in Pixelman = 0.084229

Bias V verification = 0.092773

Similar as before. We have external biasing. Do these parameters mean anything?

Repeat the scan above at 20V. THL = 345, we expect it to be half the beam energy. 5000 frames, 0.7 seconds acquisition.

15:55: Use the same pixel. Go back to starting position and repeat the scan.

Data saved in

C:\3DMedipixMay09\day2\3rdPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_20V\ThirdPixelScan.txt

Log data 12428.dat We have increased the sensitivity of the ion chamber.

Kawal arrives and says the extra hits in neighboring pixels might be due to scattered radiation in the Al foils

16:03

Chris - I made a mistake in the angle correction last night.

For the Phi angle calculation I did not input the 9.9 degree rotation but used 45 instead.

The correct value should have  $\Phi=0.370$  degrees, rather than 0.065

So, after applying the incorrect correction, the data has been taken at an angle offset from optimal by  $0.370-0.065=0.305$  degrees. This is a small effect so will not affect the data significantly.

This applies to both scans of the 3d Ntype: 5V and 20V

18:30

Dima and Eva leave to do energy calibration of PType MXR and TPIX and planar MXR with sources.

19:05

Acquisition ends (time=3h15')

Logfile is 12428.dat

Detector parameters from Pixelman same as before. It seems they don't mean anything with external bias.

Run a THL scan in illuminated pixel with Dima's filter to get energy calibration. Results don't make a lot of sense: can't see the 15 keV peak anywhere.

Scan is in C:\3DMedipixMay09\day\THLScanInSinglePixel.txt

20:45 Aaron, Eva, Celeste

**New scan with THL = 368 (close to the noise). 20V. Quarter of a pixel. (same pixel as before)**

The scans above are with THL350, in theory halfway between the noise and the 15keV peak.

Now we move to the 25% point, closer to the noise: THL=368

Want to scan  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a pixel. By looking at the pixel map from matlab we choose the new start and end positions. We know that:

- Origin of optical table scan is in top left corner of the pixel map
- X moves vertically downwards
- Y moves horizontally to the right

*New scan parameters:*

*$Y_0 = 16.0675$  (same as before)*

*17 positions instead of 31*

*Step 2.5um*

*$Y_{end} = 16.1075$*

*X0 = -4.9500 (1 position lower than before to start closer to hole)  
17 positions instead of 31  
Step 2.5um  
Xend = -4.9900*

*As before, take 5 acquisitions in each position*

GDA command: scan tboptX --4.9500 -4.9900-0.0025 tboptY 16.0675 16.1075tbdiagX  
8.0 8.81 0.2 w 0.2 pcotrig 1 ch15 rc t

Acq time is 0.7s as before. Have ~5600 count in center pixel

Results in C:\3DMedipixMay09\day2\4thPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_20V\_THL368\_quarter  
Logfile is 12430.dat

21:33 Scan ends

21:40

Repeat with same parameters, 5V  
Set V in external source to 5V

**New scan with THL = 368 (close to the noise). 5V. Quarter of a pixel. (same pixel as before (156,120))**

Results in C:\3DMedipixMay09\day2\5thPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_5V\_THL368\_quarter  
Logfile is 12431.dat

~3000 counts in center pixel  
Scan ends at 22:35

22:38 Repeat with 5V, high THL (75% point): THL= 323

**New scan with THL = 323 (away from the noise). 5V. Quarter of a pixel. (same pixel as before (156,120))**

Results

in:C:\3DMedipixMay09\day2\6thPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_5V\_THL323\_quarter\6thPixelScan.txt

Logfile is 12432.dat

~1300 counts in center pixel  
Scan ends at 23:30

23:54 Repeat with **20V**, high THL (75% point): THL= 323

**New scan with THL = 323 (away from the noise). 20V. Quarter of a pixel. (same pixel as before (156,120))**

Results in:

C:\3DMedipixMay09\day2\7thPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_20V\_THL323\_quarter\7thPixelScan.txt

Logfile is 12433.dat

~1200 counts in center pixel

Scan complete at 00:48

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NOTE: Renamed the folders of day2 to include complete information of the scan:  
2ndPixelScan\_5aq\_70ms\_5V\_THL345\_3DN and so on

