

DAQ and Electronics

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Overview



- Electronics Architecture
- Example front-end electronics options
 - ECAL
 - KPIX7 Status
 - GEM
 - TKR
 - BeamCal
 - Muon (see Henry's talk)
- DAQ
- LOI preparation



Overall Electronics/DAQ Architecture



- Total data rate from each front-end relatively small, thus can combine data from several front-ends to reduce number of connections to the outside of the detector
- Front-End ASICs/electronics transmit event data to concentrator 1 boards
 - Digital interface (optical or electrical, e.g. LVDS)
 - Concentrator 1 boards close to front-end, combining data-streams from several front-end ASICs
 - Zero-suppression either at front-end or on concentrator 1 boards
 - No additional processing needed at this stage
- Event data from concentrator 1 boards are combined in concentrator 2 boards
 - Multiplexing of concentrator 1 board event data onto fewer fibers
- Event data is transmitted to top or side of detector
 - ATCA crate (see later) to process and switch data packets
 - Online farm for filtering (if necessary)

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- ~ 12 KPIX bump-bonded to detectors mounted to a cable
- Cables routed to each end of the detector
- Concentrators at the ends of the cables combining data from several cables



Test-Setup: KPIX Data Acquisition



- FPGA Control Board
 - USB Interface to PC
 - Ethernet IO being added
 - Interface To External Logic
 - Beam Line Triggers
 - Scintillators
 - Laser Triggers
- Optically Isolated To KPIX Interface Board
- C++ API Under Linux



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KPIX 7 Status



- Actively being used/tested
 - GEM Chamber Tests @ UTA
 - RPC Chamber Tests @ SLAC
 - Planned E-Cal detector tests @ SLAC & Oregon
 - Planned Tracker detector tests @ SLAC
- Improved routing of signal traces and power busses
 - Digital crosstalk in readout traces eliminated
 - Geographic influence on pixel performance eliminated
 - Gained confidence for moving to larger number of pixels
- DC reset feature added
 - Reduced ADC & Trigger noise by 50%
 - Improved operation in asynchronous environments such as cosmic ray & source testing.

Tracking: KPIX Front-End Electronics Option



- Similar to ECal: double metal power/readout of pair of KPiX ASICS
- Low noise is important for best position resolution: <1000 e⁻ for 20 pF load
- KPiX7 is close to this goal with discrete load
- Must test doublemetal power and readout: many possible mechanisms for introducing additional noise.



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Prototype Sensors



- Single-sided design with 1840 channels (2 KPiX) at 50(25)µm readout(sense) pitch
- 20 full-sized sensors from HPK
- Quality is excellent: bad channel rate <1/10000</p>
 - Testing is underway at UCSC:
 - I-V, C-V, trace resistances, etc.
- Requires full-sized KPiX to instrument strips underneath power/readout traces



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KPiX Test Sensors



- HPK submission included 40 smaller sensors for testing double-metal readout with smaller KPiX variants.
- Sense strips under power/readout traces are instrumented for 64-256 channel KPiX chips
- Sending sensors to UC Davis/Palomar Technologies for bump bonding to KPiX
- Plan laser, source and beam testing of these parts to provide proof-ofprinciple for double-metal readout required in SiD tracker and ECal designs.



GEM-DHCAL KPiX boards with Interface and FPGA boards





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GEM chamber with KPiX v4 – early 2008





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GEM + KPiX response in lab at SLAC





FCAL: BeamCal Electronics Specs and Challenges



- High input rate (3.25 MHz)
- High occupancy (100%)
- Large input signals (~40pC)
- Large input capacitance (~40pF detector + wires)
- High resolution (10 bits)
- Dual gain (50x) for different modes of operation
- Low latency (~1us) output for beam diagnostics
- High radiation (1Mrad total dose)

Integrated circuit in design at SLAC (Angel Abusleme)

BeamCal ASIC: Simplified Block Diagram (only one channel shown)



- Dual-gain front-end electronics: charge amplifier, pulse shaper and T/H circuit
- Successive approximation ADC, one per channel
- Digital memory, 2820 (10 bits + parity) words per channel
- Analog addition of 32 channel outputs for fast feedback; low-latency ADC

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BeamCal Electronics: Techniques and Solutions



- g_m/I_D technique for precise analysis
- Time-variant filtering
- Differential circuitry
- Time budget (308ns per event) sparingly used, quasitriangular weighting function:
 - Switched capacitor filter for pulse shaper
 - Slow reset
- Digital memory
 - No leakage
 - More choices against single-event effects
 - High density in 0.18-um TSMC
- Front-end precharge to take advantage of output swing

DAQ: EM Barrel Example



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- Readout to On-Top-Of-Detector crates via 3 Gbit/s fibers
 - Only need 1 fiber, assume 2

On-Top-Of-Detector

- Event-Builder for sub-system
- Off-Detector (Stationary)
 - Filter, Online-Analysis, Storage

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- Electrical interface to KPIX (or other front-end electronics)
- Buffer, Sort, Zero-Suppress (if needed) function
- Fiber connection to DAQ, standard SiD protocol



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1 ATCA crate for each sub-system for partitioning reasons

- Two ATCA custom modules
 - RCE: Reconfigurable Cluster Element
 - CIM: Cluster Interconnect Module

DAQ Sub-System



- Based on ATCA (Advanced Telecommunications Computing Architecture)
 - Next generation of "carrier grade" communication equipment
 - Driven by telecom industry
 - Incorporates latest trends in high speed interconnect, next generation processors and improved Reliability, Availability, and Serviceability (RAS)
 - Essentially instead of parallel bus backplanes, uses high-speed serial communication and advanced switch technology within and between modules, plus redundant power, etc

ATCA Crate



- ATCA used for e.g. SLAC LUSI (LCLS Ultra-fast Science Instruments) detector readout for Linac Coherent Light Source hard X-ray laser project
 - Based on 10-Gigabit Ethernet backplane serial communication fabric
 - 2 custom boards
 - Reconfigurable Cluster Element (RCE) Module
 - Interface to detector
 - Up to 8 x 2.5 Gbit/sec links to detector modules
 - Cluster Interconnect Module (CIM)
 - Managed 24-port 10-G Ethernet switching
 - One ATCA crate can hold up to 14 RCE's & 2 CIM's
 - Essentially 480 Gbit/sec switch capacity
 - SiD needs only ~ 320 Gbit/sec including factor of 4 margin
 - Plus would use more than one crate (partitioning)



SLAC PPA Reconfigurable Cluster Element (RCE) Boards



- Used for LSST, Peta-Cache, LCLS DAQ
- Reconfigurable Cluster Element module with 2 each of following
 - Virtex-4 FPGA
 - 2 PowerPC processors IP cores
 - 512 Mbyte low-latency RLDRAM
 - 8 Gbytes/sec cpu-data memory interface
 - 10-G Ethernet event data interface
 - 1-G Ethernet control interface
 - RTEMS operating system
 - up to 512 Gbyte of FLASH memory
 - 1 TByte/board



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SLAC PPA Cluster Interconnect board





LOI Preparation



 DAQ design being implemented for LCLS already higher performance than required for SiD
Good fit to SiD, can write-up as is for LOI

- Areas to be addressed
 - Data-management
 - Filtering
 - No filtering required in DAQ, large margin in throughput, scalable
 - Could move event data to online farm/off-line for further filtering/analysis
 - Still: investigate filtering in ATCA processors as well as in farm
 - Offline data systems (processing/archiving)
 - Needs volunteers



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