

# DAQ Summary

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## Outline

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- Conclusions

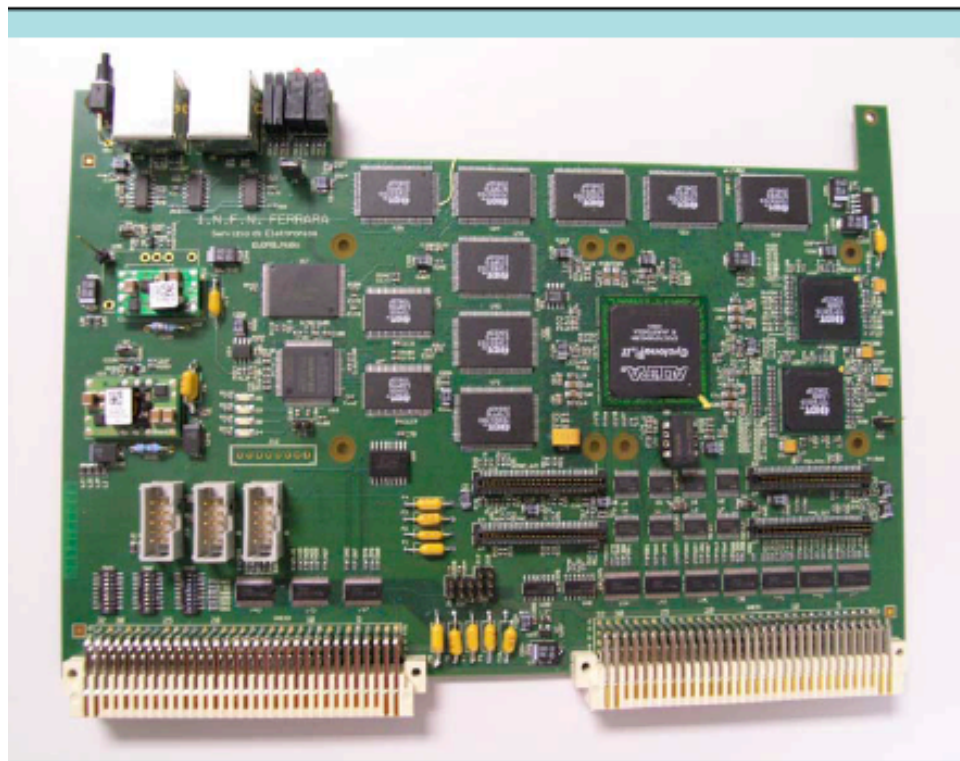


# Testbeam Efforts

- 3 groups presented ongoing work:
  - Pixel telescope
  - Calorimeters
  - TPC
- All groups will have testbeams this year, so DAQ must first be functional/practical
- Harmonization is on the list, but not (yet) 1st priority



# A VME64x/USB2.0-based DAQ card for MAPS sensors



mother board built around an ALTERA CycloneII FPGA (clock rate: 80MHz) and hosting the core resources and Interfaces (VME64X slave, USB2.0, EUDET trigger bus)

NIOS II, 32 bit "soft" microcontroller (clock rate: 40Mz)  
implemented in the FPGA for

- on board diagnostics
- on-line calculation of pixel pedestal and noise
- remote configuration of the FPGA via RS-232, VME, USB2.0

Two readout modes:

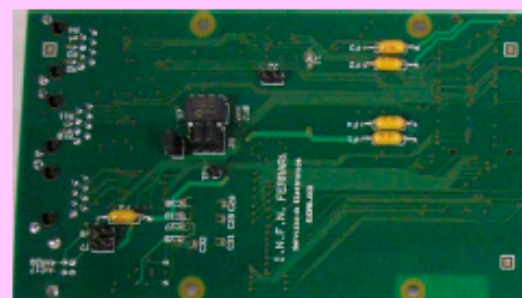
Zero Suppressed readout to minimize the readout dead-time while in normal data taking.

Non Zero Suppressed readout of multiple frames for debugging or off-line pedestal and noise calculations

analog daughter card based on the successful LEPSI and SUCIMA designs clock rate up to 20 MHz

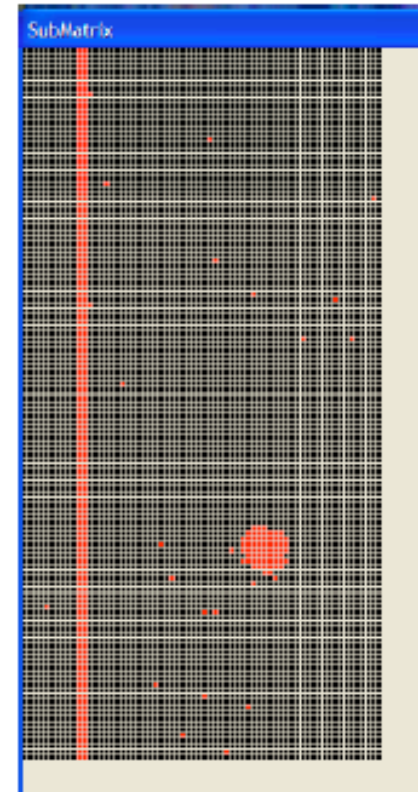


digital daughter card drives/receives control signals for the detectors and features a USB 2.0 link

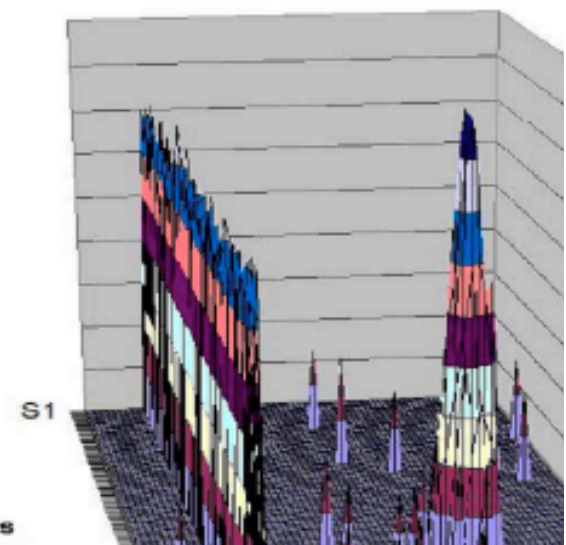


# Laser beam results: on board ZS

- The image is obtained by plotting the data from a single laser event captured by the EUDRB in Zero Suppressed mode.
- The EUDRB is configured with ZS threshold=8 for each pixel and ZS pedestal=0 for each pixel except the 10th and 11th of each row (for channel A), for which the ZS pedestal=31.
- Thus in the ZS event captured one can see the “confidence” pattern of pixels 10th and 11th of each row above threshold and then, of course, the signal from the laser pulse.



TestPattern and LaserSpot acquired in 2



SubFrame A: columns



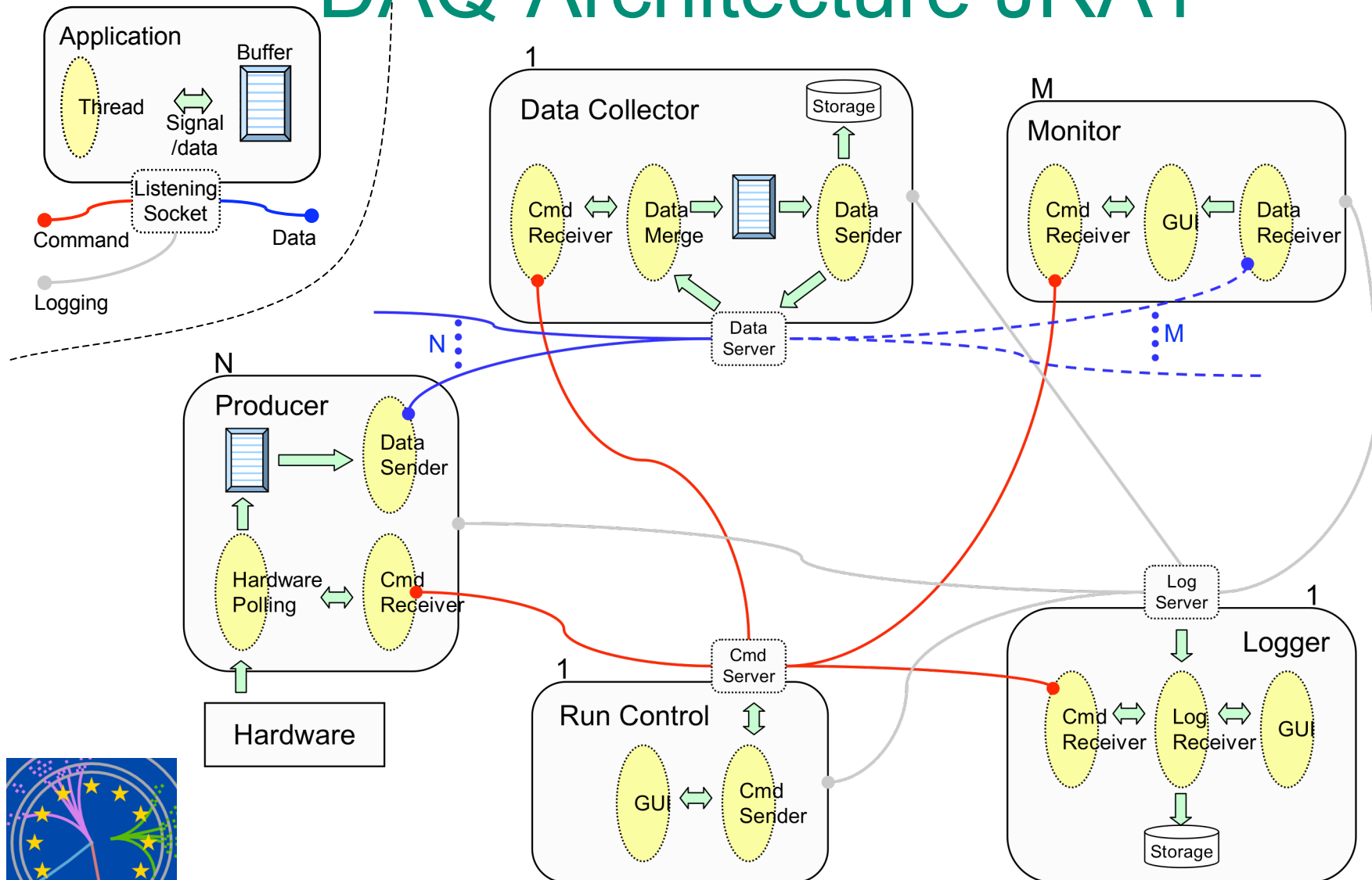


- Simple Handshake via Trigger/Busy/Reset on RJ45 LVDS lines (or TTL-Lemo)
- Discriminator daughter boards
- Timestamp and event-number via USB
- Eventnumber via advanced data handshake on RJ45 available
- Used for Pixel Telescope
- TPC, Calo and SiTra groups interested (some modifications necessary/ongoing)



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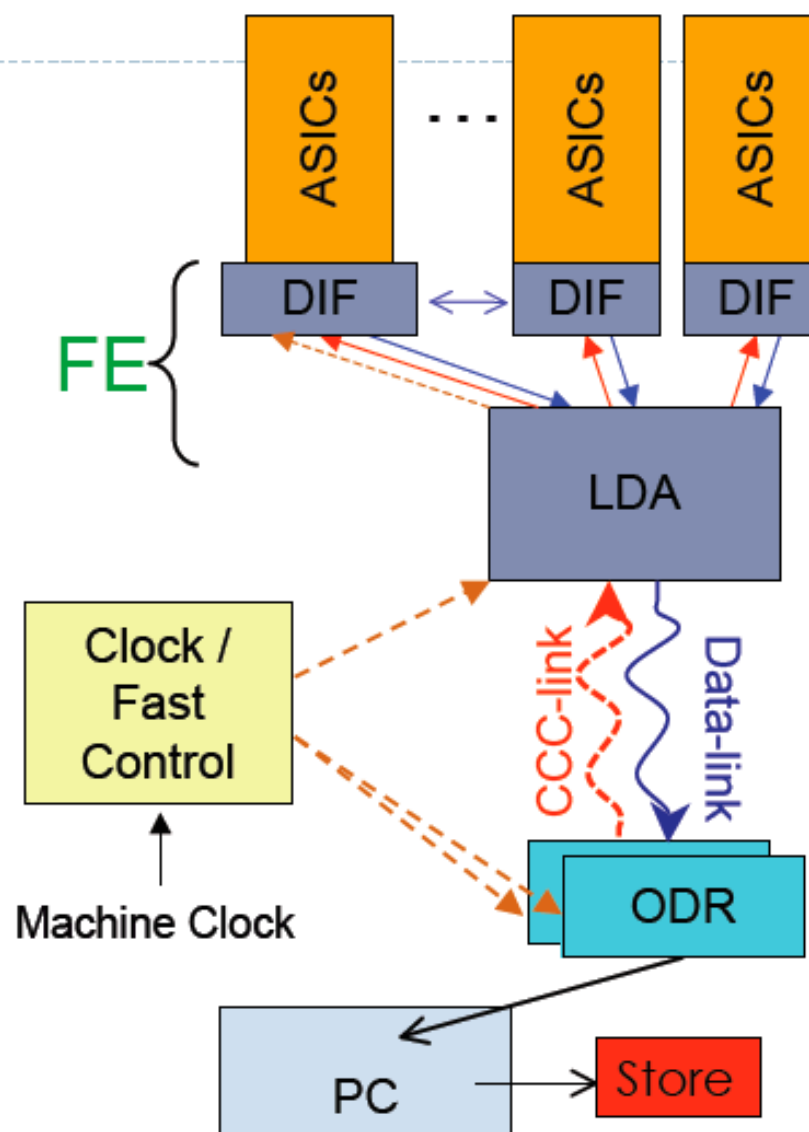
# DAQ-Architecture JRA1



# Current Architecture

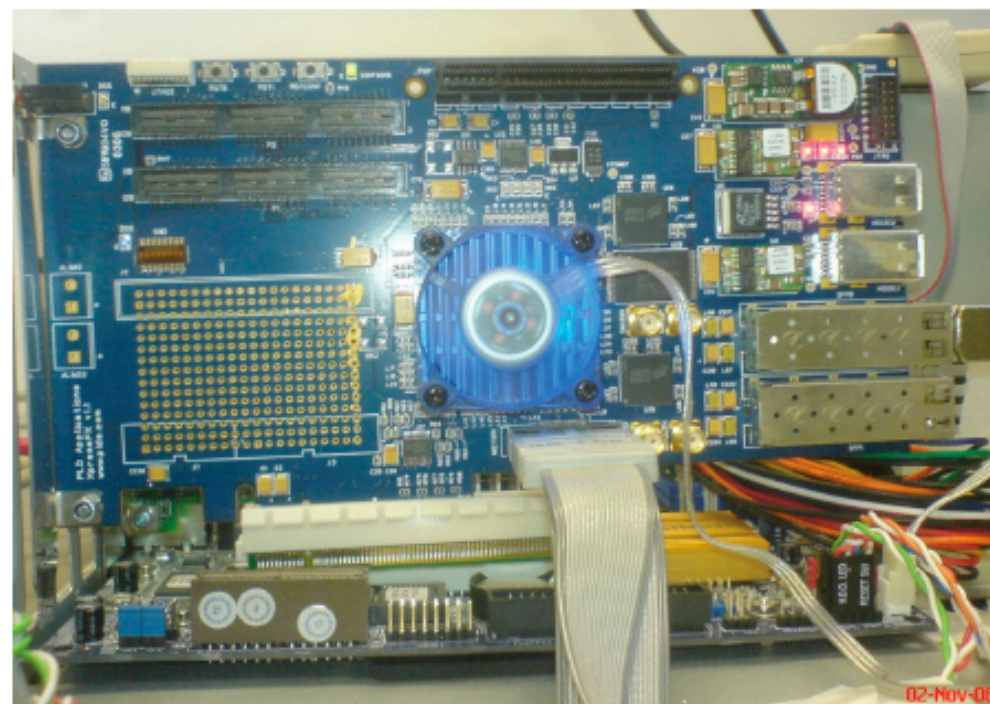
## ► DIF

- Sub-detector specific component (Detector InterFace)
- Supplied with low jitter clock from first-stage concentrator (LDA)
  - 50MHz with  $\frac{1}{2}$ ns jitter
  - All detector-specific clocks are derived from input master clock on the DIF
- Bi-directional serial links to LDA
  - Would like these to be “generic” – driven by highest bandwidth requirement
  - Require fixed latency links if clock and control encoded across them
- Clock feed through and redundant data links to neighbouring DIF for readout and clock redundancy
- Standard firmware to talk to DAQ



# Prototype ODR

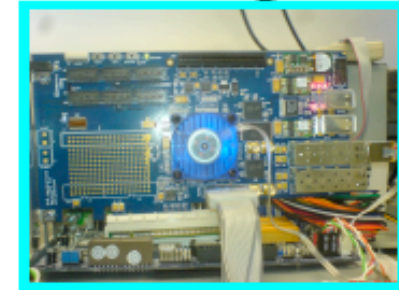
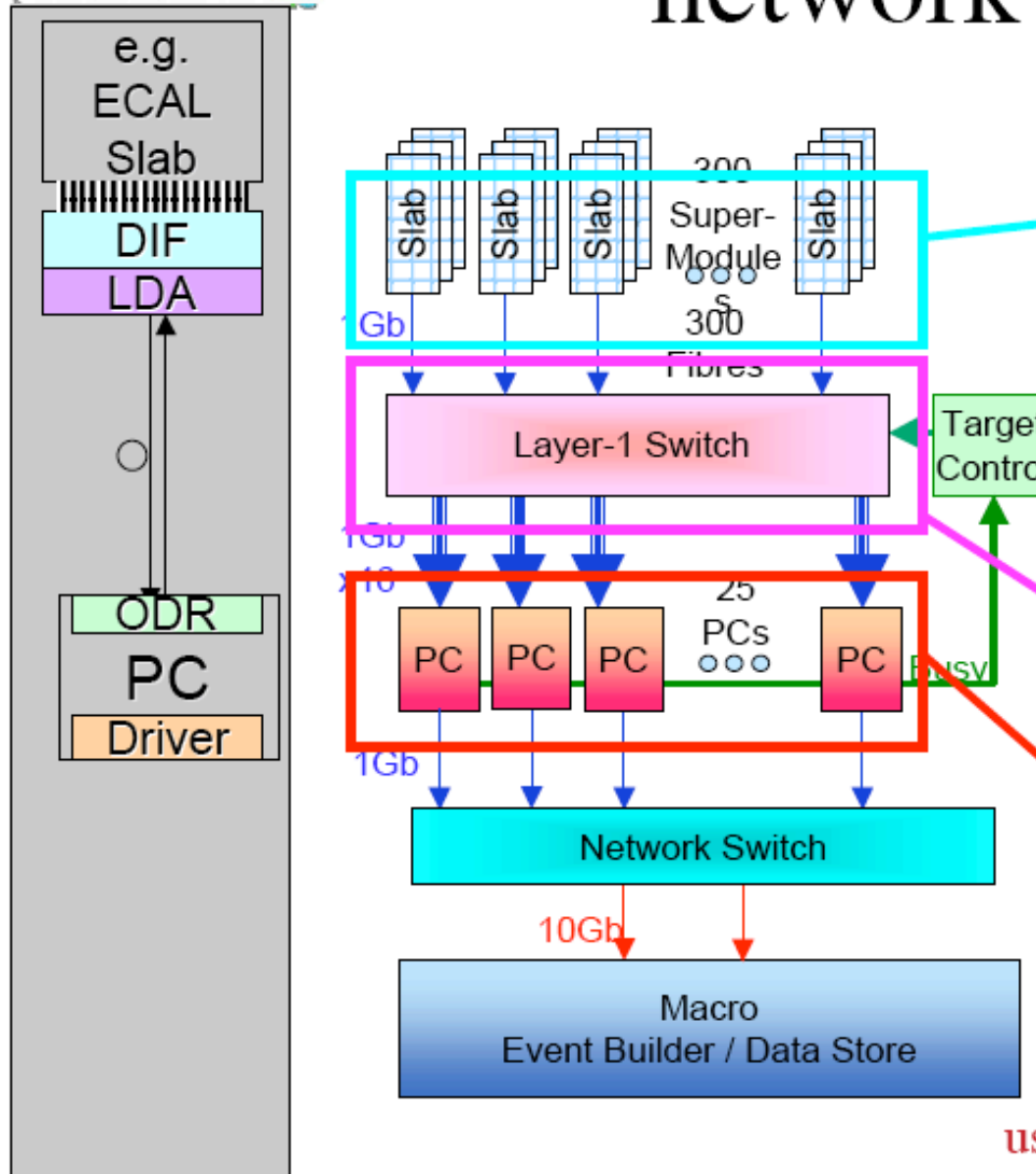
- ▶ Development board from PLDApplications
  - 8 lane PCI-e card
  - Xilinx Virtex4FX60 FPGA
  - DDR2 memory
  - 2 SFP cages – 1GigE
  - 2 HSSDC connectors
- ▶ Can drive/receive 1Gbit Ethernet direct to FPGA on the board
- ▶ 10Gbit possible with addition of small daughter card
- ▶ Will also be able to test some LDA functionality using on-board LVDS outputs



Demonstrated 1Gbit Ethernet operation from this board -  
See proceedings of IEEE NPSS Real Time Conference 2007 for details



# options for network / switching



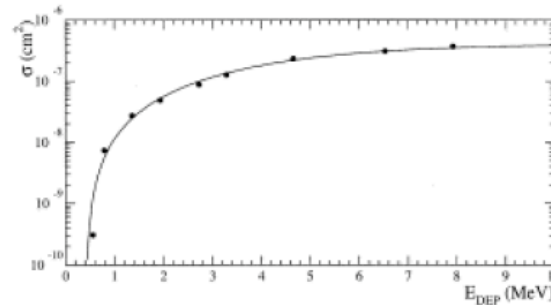
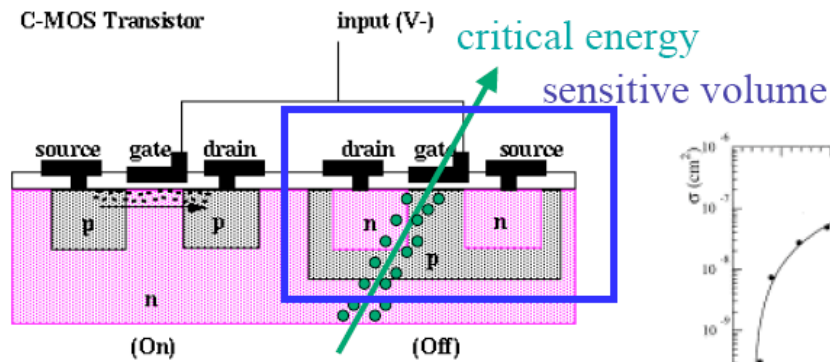
working FPGA based Ethernet system, using RAW frames

optical switch delivered



high (>9GBits) bandwidth usage using PCIe 10Gig cards (from Myricom)

# SEU principle



from E. Normand, Extensions of the Burst Generation Rate Method for Wider Application to p/n induced SEEs

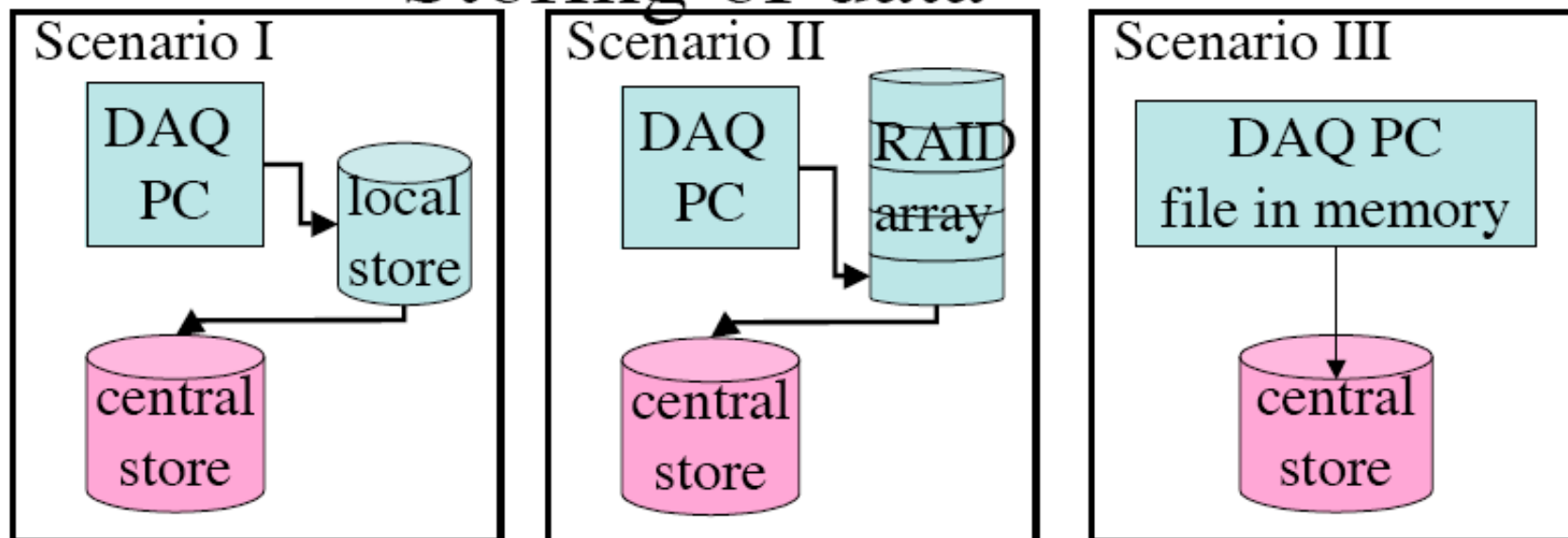
=> look for neutrons, protons and pions  
depositing energy in the FPGAs

threshold [MeV]	SEU $\sigma$ [cm <sup>2</sup> /device]	SEUs/day
5MeV	$8 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.17
10MeV	$10^{-7}$	1.99
20MeV	$3 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.02
10MeV	$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	0.38
20MeV	$10^{-8}$	0.17

all data from literature, references not given in talk

=> looks like FPGAs need to be reconfigured once a day  
=> before operation radiation tests need to be done with FPGAs chosen for experiment

# DAQ software for EUDET: Storing of data



- which scenario to choose depending on the bandwidth with which the data gets produced: (I) up to 200Mbit/sec, (II) up to ~1600Mbit/sec, (III) from there on
- desirable to have files because transfer is easier and in case of timing problems error handling is easier, but keep system flexible for now
- worst case estimate (very rough):

30layers\*100cm\*100cm\*2kB memory @ each ASIC/72 no of channel  
@ ASICS = 10MB/bunch train = 400Mbit/sec

## Based on the ALICE TPC readout

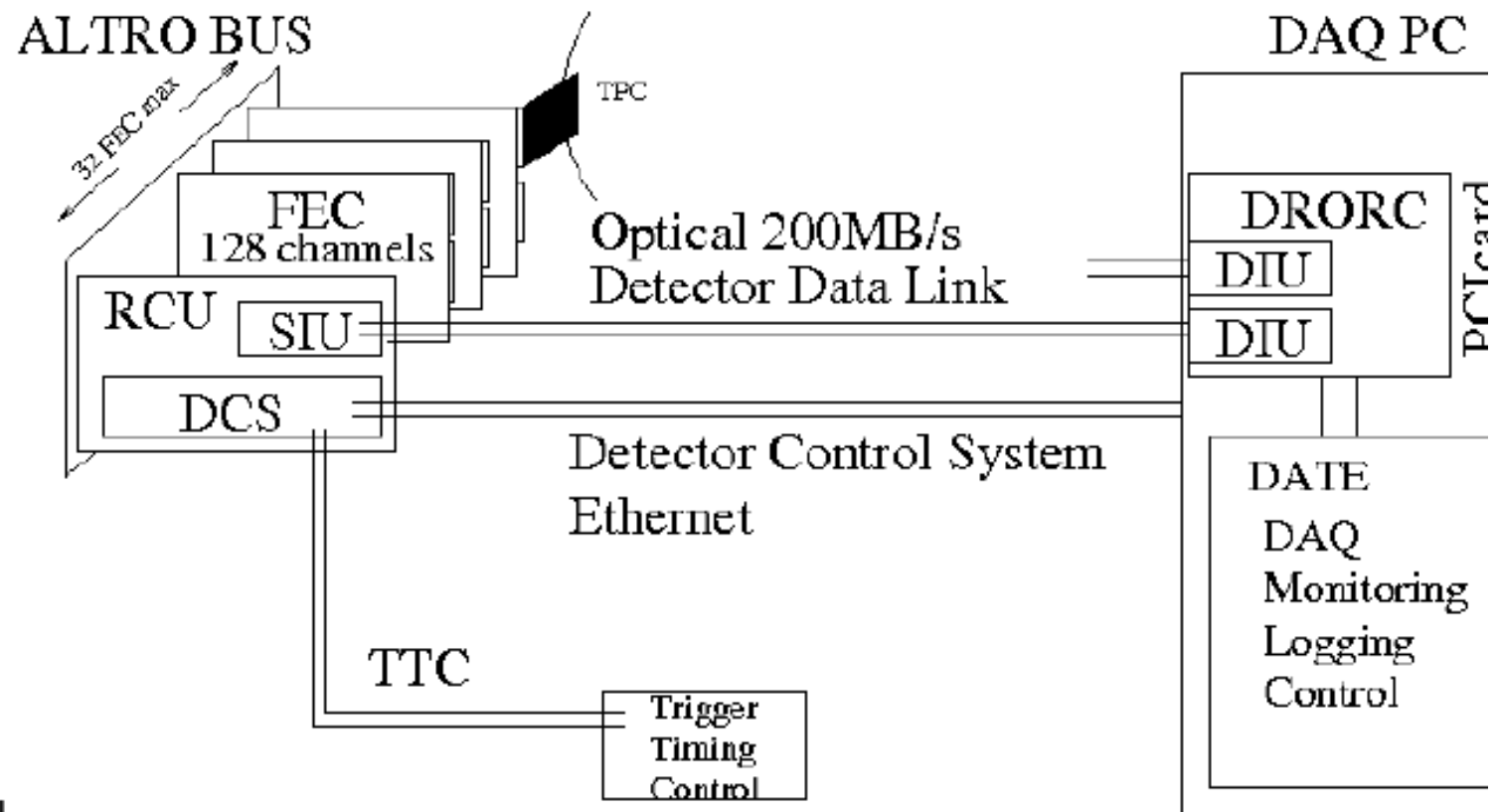
Front End Card (FEC), modified for new amplifier

Readout Control Unit (RCU), Source Interface Unit (SIU)

ReadOut Receiver Card (DRORC), Destination Interface Unit (DIU)

ALICE Data Acquisition and Test Environment (DATE)

Trigger Timing Control (TTC)



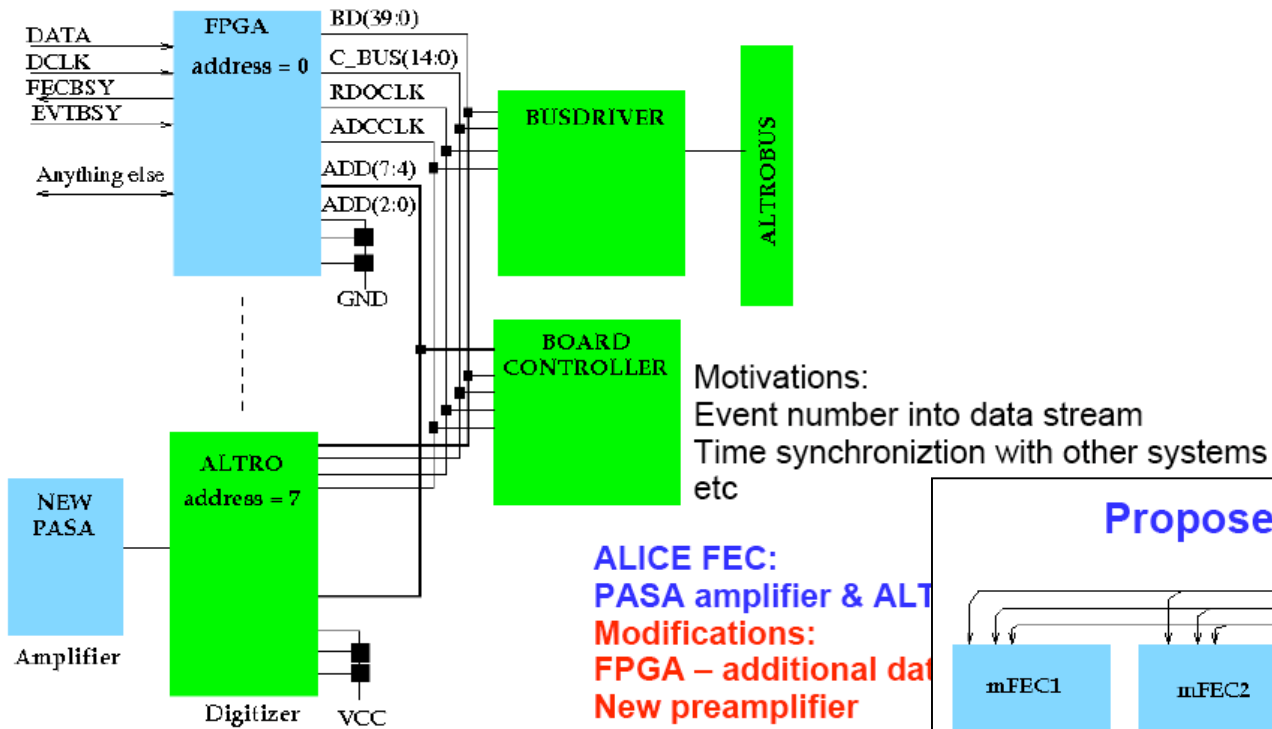
EUDET: 1 RCU

10000 ch: 4 RCU

possible to distribute 1 RCU system

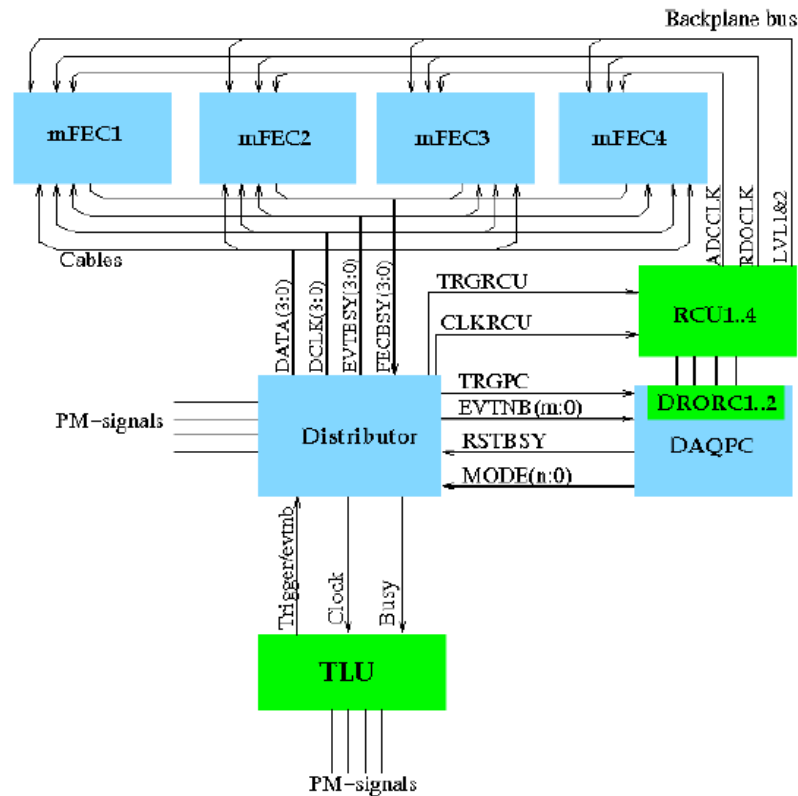


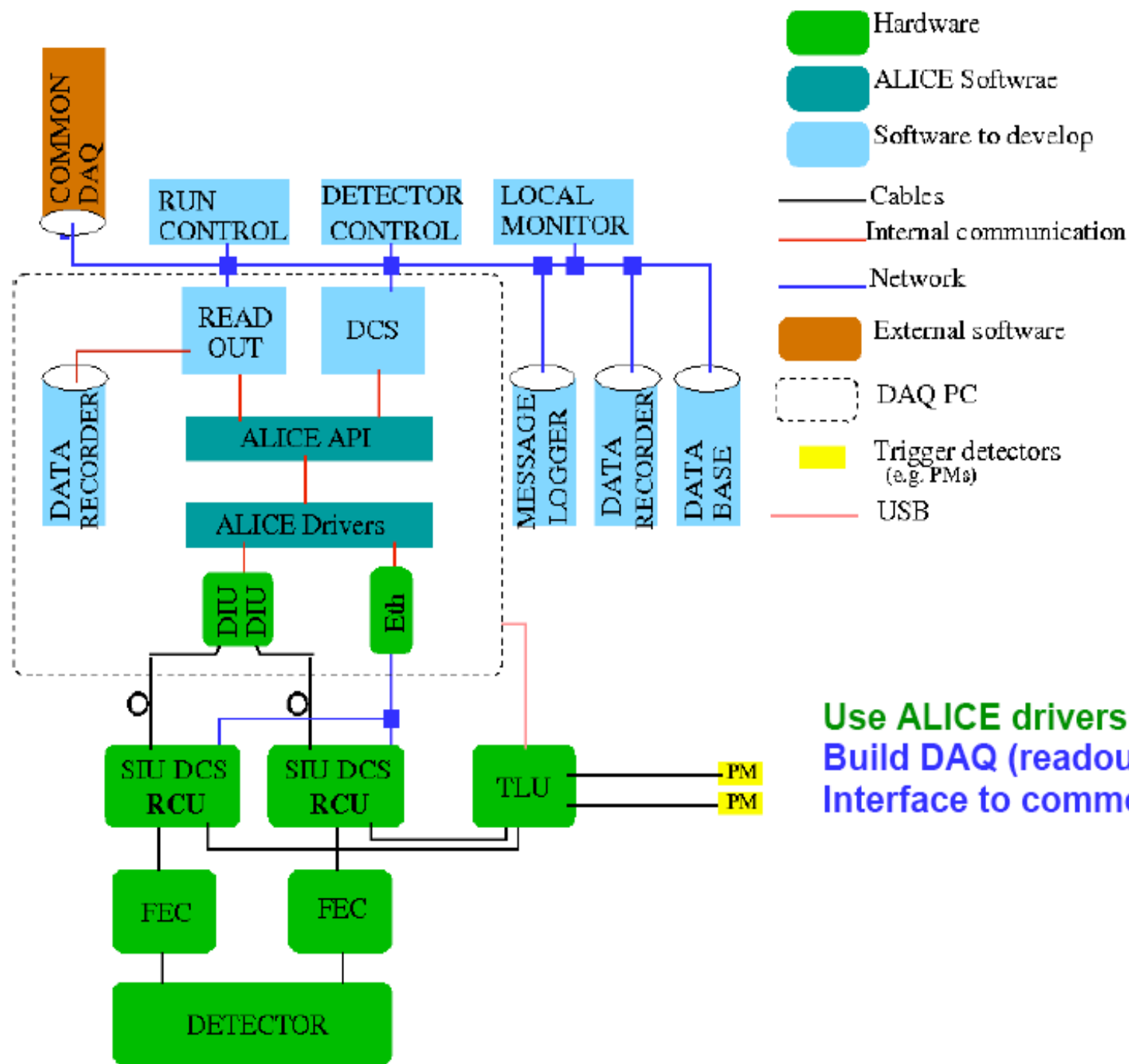
## Modified Front End Card (mFEC)



- Get trigger from central Trigger Logic Unit
- Distribute trigger/data to mFEC & RCUs
- Distribute 40MHZ clock to RCUs
- Require: trigger timing accuracy < 1ns

## Proposed Trigger Timing Control





Use ALICE drivers and APIs as is  
 Build DAQ (readout/control) on top  
 Interface to common DAQ

## ILC Detector Testbeam Workshop - IDTB 07

- Workshop: 17/1/07 – 19/1/07 at Fermilab
- Aim of the workshop
  - Overview on status of the activities of the various R&D groups/collabs for the ILC
  - Overview on tentative sites for testbeam measurements with some focus on Fermilab facilities
  - Identify the future needs of these activities and outline a Roadmap
- ~120 participants from all areas of detector R&D in discussion with maintainers and leaders of the potential test facilities
- Starting gun for the write-up of a roadmap document

- Common DAQ hardware and software
- Common online and offline software
  - Reconstruction and analysis software

## CALICE Testbeam Data Taking

CALICE collaboration is performing large scale testbeams

### Testbeam program poses software “challenges”

- Data processing from Raw Data to final Clusters in user coherent way
- Handling of Conditions Data Detector Configuration Calibration, Alignment etc.
- Comparison with simulated data 'Physics' Output

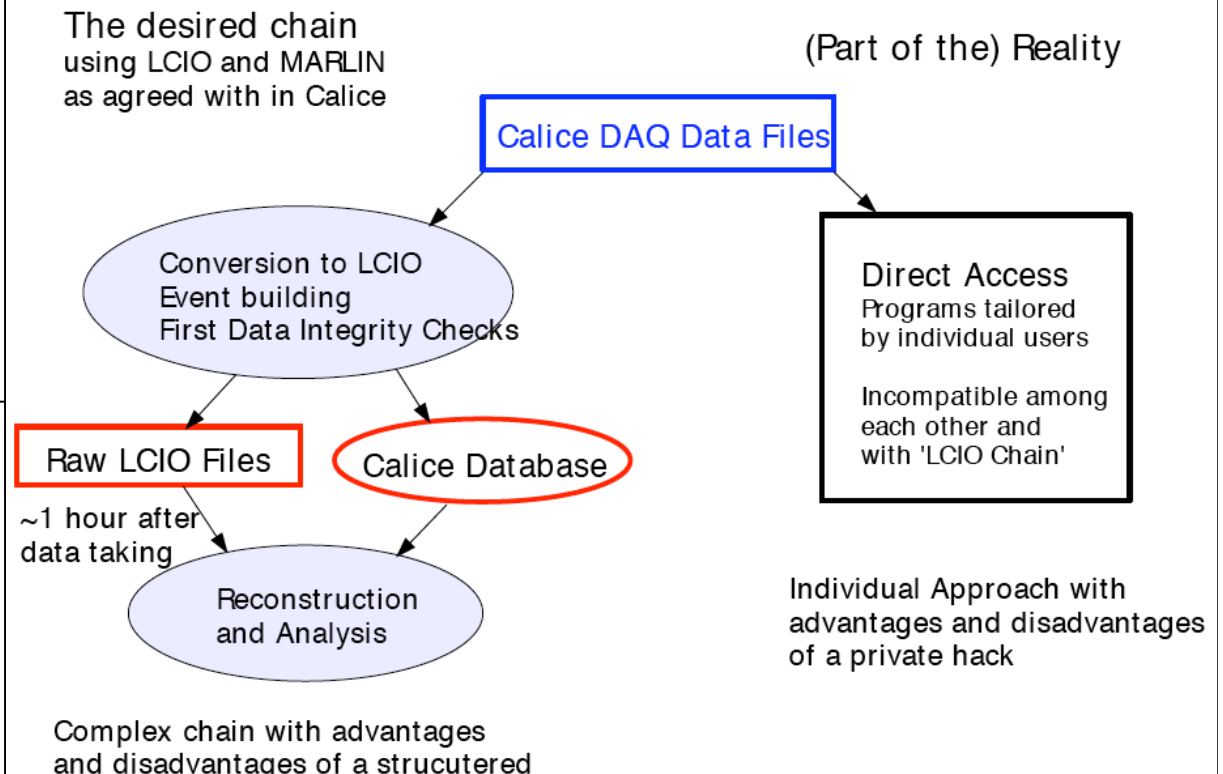
$O(15000)$  calorimeter cells readout by Calice DAQ

No Zero Suppression  
r/o speed 5 Mbyte/s continously

### Testbeam Setup at CERN



### CALICE Dataprocessing





## DAQ requirements for LCIO

- in order to further design and develop new features in LCIO it is important that
- the requirements from the DAQ systems are well known:
  - **expected/needed I/O performance**
  - **data structure – class layout**
    - is the data restructured before written to file is the structure defined by the readout electronics ?
  - will there be an **event builder** that collects raw data (in non LCIO format?) from the various subdetectors and assembles the LCIO event ?
  - if so, will there be an event builder solution for all/some DAQ systems ?

## LCIO plans

- currently working on a new implementation of the underlying I/O library SIO in C++
- will address these known shortcomings and provide:
  - direct access
  - split events over several records and files
  - e.g. could write LCIO raw data to one file and processed data (calibrated, zero suppressed,...) to another file
  - users could go back to raw data when needed
  - possibility to read and write user defined classes/records
  - would give DAQ systems flexibility for changes
- **timescale: unclear - depends on manpower situation and needs/requirements of DAQ systems**

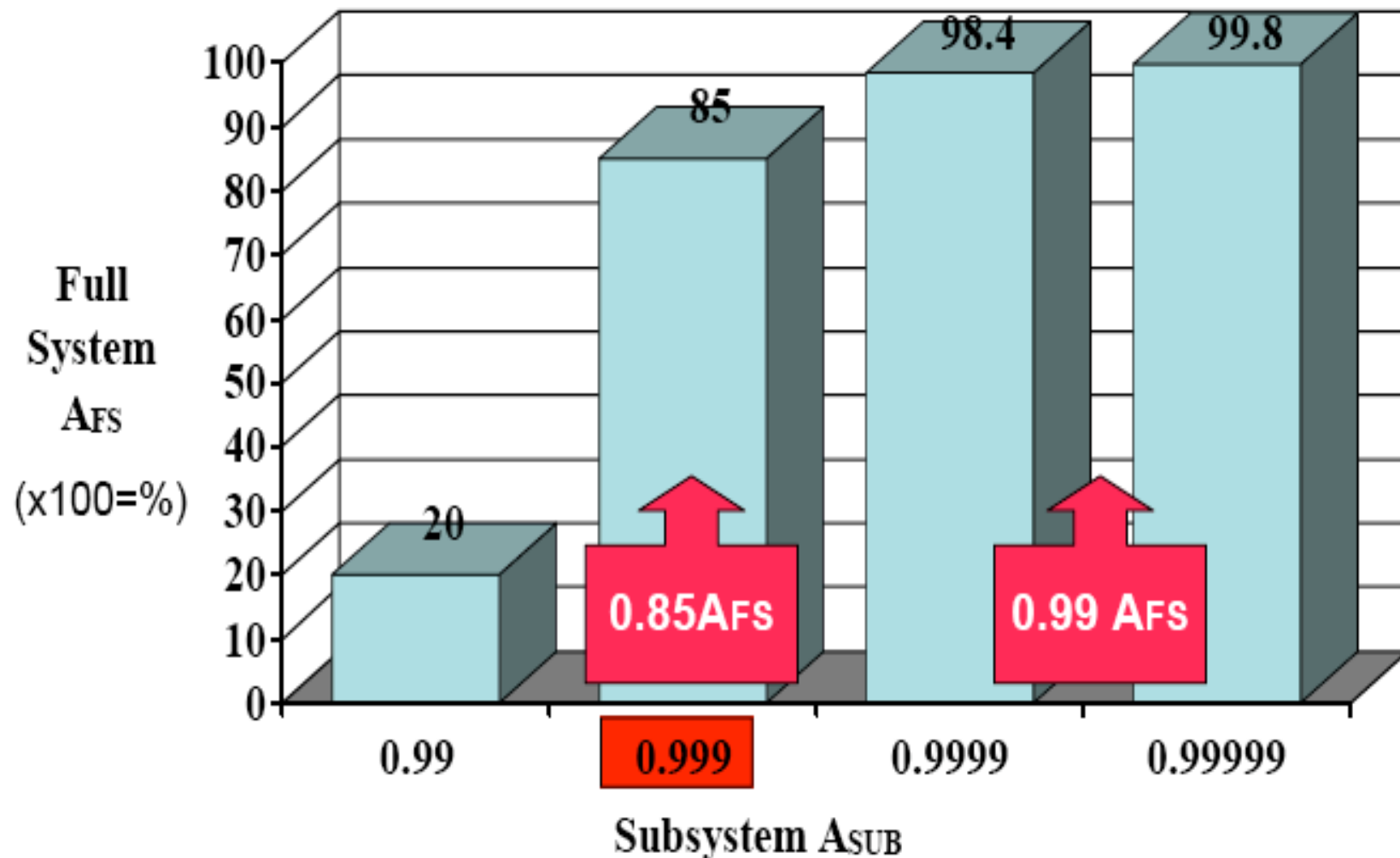
# ATCA

- Ray Larsen presented overview of ATCA (Advanced Telecom Computing Architecture)
- Standards on parallel backplanes are becoming obsolete
- ATCA (currently) only candidate to fulfill our needs
- Interest of ILC, ITER etc for an ATCA-P (Physics) Profile



# Required Subsystem Availability $A_{SUB}$ for Full System $A_{FS} > 0.85 = 0.999$ Avg

Comprising 16 Systems, 10 Subsystems each System



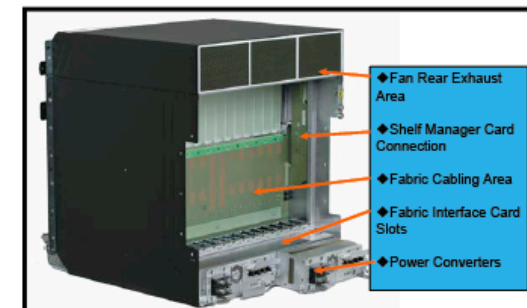
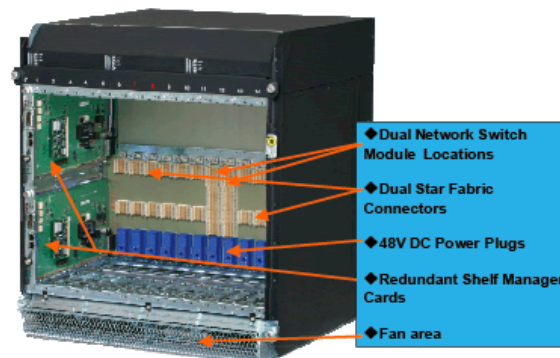
# What Can ATCA Provide?

- A system building block of crate (Shelf) and 12-14 modules with vital features:
  - Dual redundant communications node, processing core w/ auto-failover
  - Redundant 48V power supplies, fans
  - Serial power feeds to each module, serial I/O, Intelligent Platform Manager (IPM) to diagnose, isolate faulty modules, power or fans
  - Once isolated, faulty units can be replaced by technician without interrupting crate controllers or remaining modules (Hot Swap)

## 2004: Introduction of ATCA\*



- Telecom Industry Open Standard
- Driven by \$10B/year server and switching market
- $A=0.99999$  = Downtime of 5 minutes/year
- All Gigabit serial Dual Star or Mesh backplane
- Dual controllers, 48V PS, hot swappable,
- 200W/module air cooled, 3+1 Fans hot swappable
- Shelf Manager controls failover, power metering, hot swap



\*Advanced Telecom Computing Architecture



# ATCA Work In Progress

- Purchased test systems: SLAC, FNAL, ANL, DESY
- Evaluation efforts of core systems underway
- DESY investigating TCA, MicroTCA for XFEL applications
  - *Controls. Protection, Low Level RF*
  - *Must make decisions in ~1y*
- FNAL developing 12 Ch 50 module for BPM's for SRF

## Work in Progress 2

- SLAC contracted shelf manager evaluations, development of ATCA VME adapter to University of Illinois (UIUC)
  - *Ability to plug in existing VME instrument cards will make possible configuring test systems much more quickly, gain experience with core systems, software, do real work*
- ANL concentrating on system level 3 tier software, interfacing to EPICS and/or DOOCS
- ILC Controls & instrumentation cost model assumed ATCA as base system; used commercial pricing & applied large quantity learning curves

# Future Needs for the ILC

- Data Flow for Pixels (M. Winter)
- Data Flow for Tracking (P. Colas)
- ILC DAQ Issues (P. Le Dû)



■ Dominant source of hits :  $e^\pm$  from Beamstrahlung

■ 1st layer (L0) :  $\gtrsim 5 \text{ hits/cm}^2/\text{BX}$  for 4T / 500 GeV /  $R_0 = 1.5 \text{ cm}$  / no safety factor  
 $\rightarrow \lesssim 1.8 \cdot 10^{12} e^\pm/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$  (safety factor of 3)

● 2nd layer: 8 (6 ?) times less

● 3rd layer: 25 (< 20 ?) times less

### Basic Vertex Detector Design features

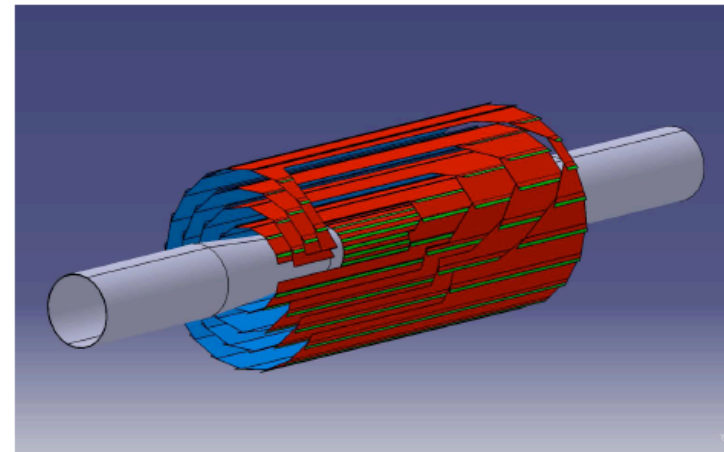
■ Geometry : 5 cylindrical layers ( $R = 15 - 60 \text{ mm}$ ),  $\| \cos\theta \| \leq 0.90 - 0.96$  (possibly 6 layers)

■ L0 and L1 : fast col. // architecture

■ L2, L3 and L4 : possibly multi-memory pixel architecture (?)

■ Pixel pitch varied from  $20 \mu\text{m}$  (L0) to  $40 \mu\text{m}$  (L4) by  $5 \mu\text{m}$  steps  $\rightarrow$  minimise  $P_{diss}$

Layer	Radius (mm)	Pitch ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$t_{r.o.}$ ( $\mu\text{s}$ )	$N_{lad}$	$N_{pix}$ ( $10^6$ )	$P_{diss}^{inst}$ (W)	$P_{diss}^{mean}$ (W)
L0	15	20	25	20	25	<100	<5
L1	$\leq 25$	25	50	$\leq 26$	$\leq 65$	<130	<7
L2	37	30	<200	24	75	<100	<5
L3	48	35	<200	32	70	<110	<6
L4	60	40	<200	40	70	<125	<6
Total				142	305	<565	<3-30



■ Ultra thin layers:  $\lesssim 0.2 \% X_0/\text{layer}$  (extrapolated from STAR-HFT;  $35 \mu\text{m}$  thick sensors)

■ Very low  $P_{diss}^{mean}$ :  $<< 100 \text{ W}$  (exact value depends on duty cycle)

■ Fake hit rate  $\lesssim 10^{-5} \rightarrow$  whole detector  $\cong$  close to 1 GB/s (mainly from  $e_{BS}^\pm$ )

## Vertex Detector Data Flow

### Raw data flow (in absence of any signal):

⇒ L0 :  $\sim 25$  Mpixels read 40 times / train  $\cong 1$  Gpixels / train

⇒ L1 :  $\sim 50$  MPixels read 20 times / train  $\cong 1$  Gpixels / train

⇒ L2 + L3 + L4 :  $\lesssim 300$  Mpixels read  $\lesssim 10$  times /train  $\cong 3$  Gpixels / train

Total  $\cong 5$  Gpixels / train  $\mapsto 25$  Gpixels / s

⇒ 3 Bytes/pixel ( $\leq 20$  address bits + 5–4 charge bits)  $\Rightarrow$  raw data flow  $\cong 75$  GB/s

Nightmare!

### Signal data size dominated by $e_{BS}^{\pm}$ : $\gtrsim 10^3$ hits / BX $\mapsto 3 \cdot 10^6$ hits / train

⇒ Assuming 5 pixels / cluster :  $15 \cdot 10^6$  pix/train  $\mapsto 45$  MB/train

⇒ Uncertainties on beamstrahlung rate prediction (factor 3 - 5)  $\mapsto 135$ – $225$  MB/train  $\Rightarrow 0.7$ – $1.1$  GB/s

manageable



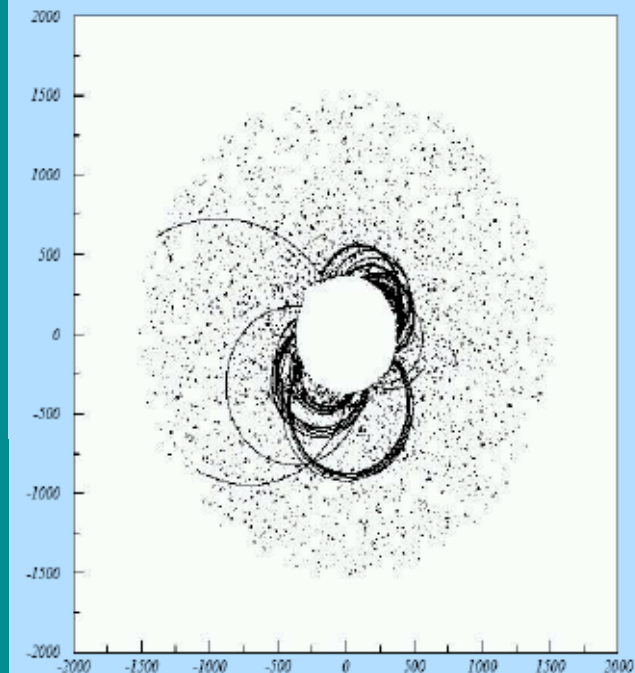
# Reminder: Tesla TDR

- Data flow dominated by background
  - $O(10^3)$  photons, few 100 neutrons, 5 electrons from pairs, 0.7 hadrons from minijets, 0.3 halo muons per beam crossing
- Huge uncertainties -> mere order of magnitude possible, or needs detailed case studies : photon and neutron shielding, gas choice, algorithms for data reduction. The Tesla case was a TPC
- 1.2 million channels, 110 Mbytes per train (half of the total detector).

## What changed (or should change) since then?

- Machine design (parameters, crossing angle, DID/anti DID)
- At least 3 different technologies for the TPC (GEM with small pads 1x4mm, Micromegas with resistive foil and 2x7mm pads, Digital TPC)
- R&D effort needed to reduce the sensitivity to background (shielding, gas choice). Together with primary ionisation studies starting now.

### Mokka hits in the TPC



Front view

# Necessary upper limit

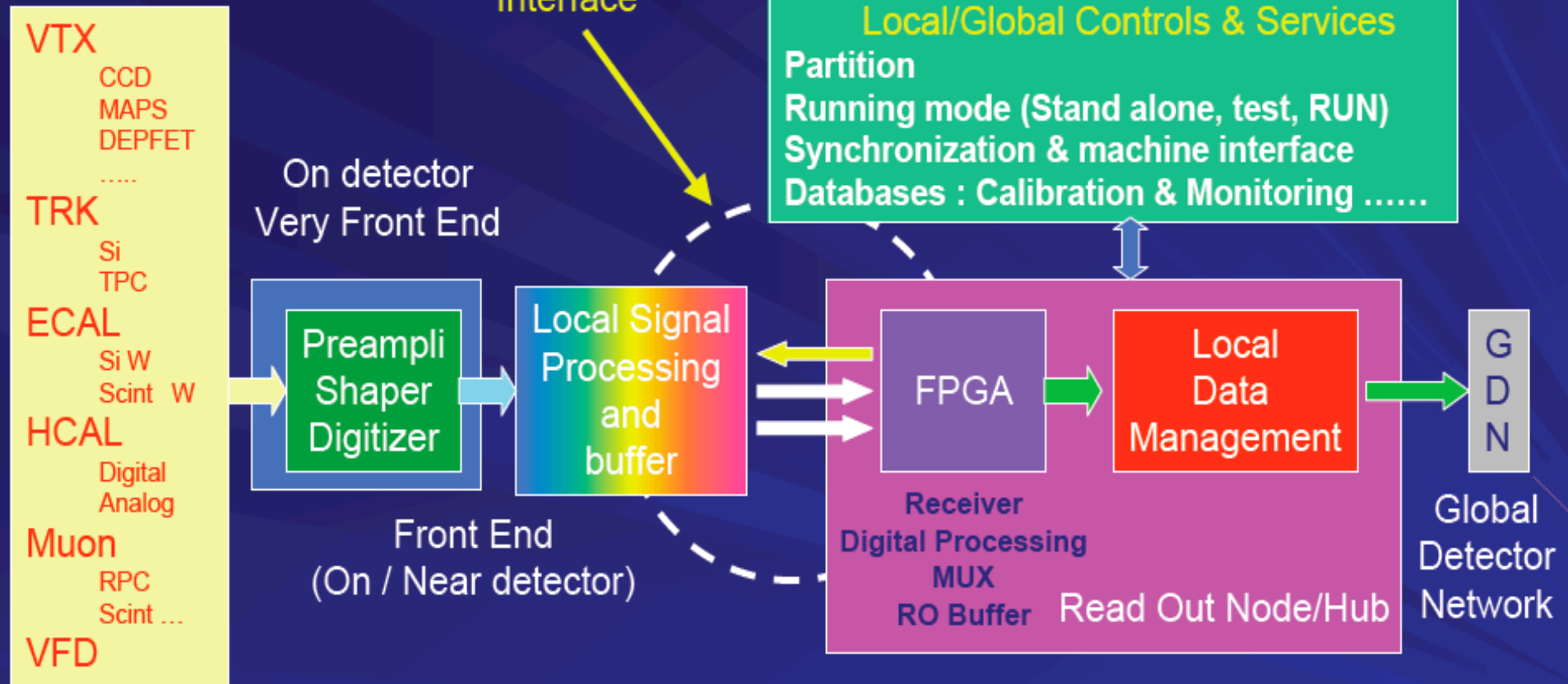
- Before all these studies converge, we can get a “necessary upper limit” from other studies, which say that a 0.2 % pad occupation is to be expected, and that a 1% (see D. Peterson’s tracking talk – note that this is for standard pads) is the maximum with no significant damage to the reconstruction.
- In a bunch train, a 1ms time interval is sliced in 50 ns ‘pancakes’ of  $1.5 \cdot 10^6$  pads  $\rightarrow 3 \cdot 10^8$  channels, each with 10 bits of hit information, 10 bits of pad number (21 bits) information, that is 4 bytes : 1200 Mbytes.
- Early zero suppression is mandatory

manageable

# Current view of a uniform RO architecture

Sensor technology

Integration  
To be studied!

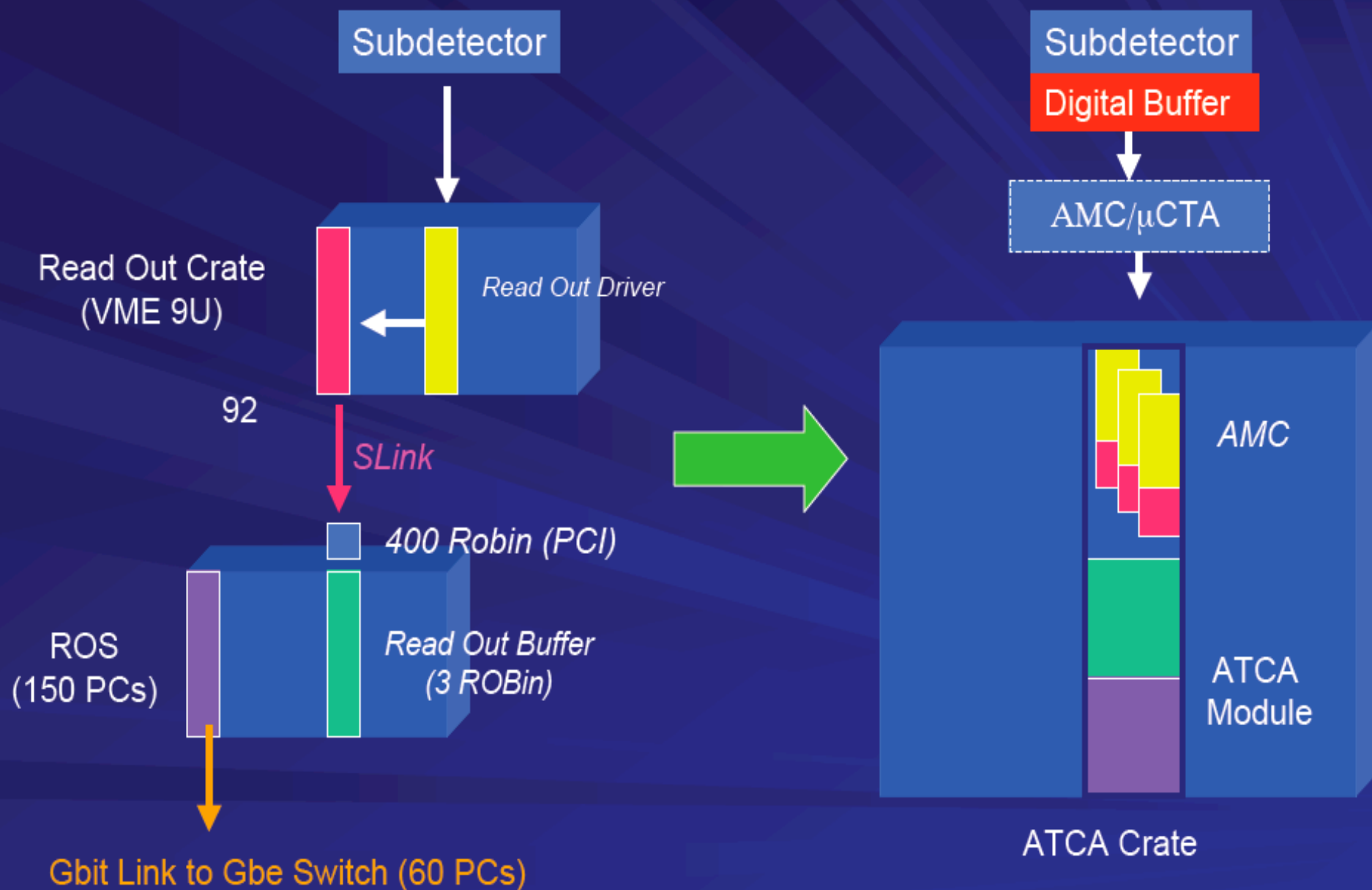


Dedicated ASIC and/or SOC\*

\*System On Chip

Commercial standard

# Read Out evolution LHC --> ILC





## Somes Issues

To be discussed in specific meetings

### ■ Cosmic trigger ?????

- Very useful during installation and debugging
- Compatibility with power cycling ????

### ■ Clock, machine synchronization and timing distribution

- with experts from LHC ! (Ph. Farthouat)





# Conclusions

- Increasing testbeam activities will push DAQ  
(BUT: demands are different from final ILC DAQ)
- Don't reinvent the wheel!  
(BUT: Are we listening to ourselves?)
- Dedicated Frontends a must, but should use commercial standards whenever possible  
(ATCA!)
- Reliability becomes an important issue, we should learn e.g. from telecom/aerospace
- Should start to pull on the same rope early  
(for common hardware AND software)



# Contributions

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Thanks to everybody!

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