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HIGH PRECISION CLOCK DISTRIBUTION PROJECTS AT IRFU AND POSSIBLE R&D PLANS

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CURRENT PROJECTS AT IRFU WHERE PRECISION CLOCK DISTRIBUTION IS NEEDED



- CMS Phase II Upgrade: High Granularity Calorimeter
 - 7.5 M channels
 - Desired clock distribution precision: few 10 ps jitter

- T2K nd280m Upgrade: High Angle TPCs
 - . 36 K channels
 - Desired clock distribution precision: few 100 ps jitter

→ Expertise being developed in the field of precise clock distribution at Irfu for several years and growing Investments on test equipment, e.g. 80 GSPS oscilloscope, phase noise analyzer

T2K-II HA TPC BACK-END ELECTRONICS: TRIGGER



Features

- Clock and Trigger fanout distributor + data aggregator
- Master clock/trigger input port: electrical RJ45 or optical SFP
- Fanout side: up to 32 optical ports 100 Mbps downstream to front-end; 400 Mbps per upstream link from each front-end
- Data readout and control: 1 port Gigabit Ethernet
 - Fast data readout (untested; not to be used for T2K-II)
 - 3 x SFP (6.6 Gbps each)
 - PCIe (Gen 2 x 4, 20 Gbps raw, 16 Gbps net)
- Based on commercial FPGA module with Xilinx ZYNQ SoC
- 4 TDCM prototypes in operation at various sites since 2018
- Plan to launch final board production for T2K-II in 2020

\rightarrow The HA TPCs in T2K-II will use 2 TDCMs

...but in theory this system is scalable to $32 \times 32 =$ 1024 ports: 1 root TDCM and 32 slave TDCMs

D. Calvet, « Back-End Electronics Based on an Asymmetric Network for Low Background and Medium-Scale Physics Experiments », in IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science, Vol. 66, N°7, pp. 998-1006, July 2019.

Cea Plans and R&D PROSPECTS



Current work

- Pursue development of TDCM for T2K-II and other applications (PandaX-III, PUMA?, ...)
- Measure clock distribution performance for T2K-II specs and see where we stand for more demanding applications

Prospects

- Conceptual studies on a 48-port TDCM scalable to 48 x 48 = 2304 ports in dual stage cascaded configuration
- R&D on concepts, methods, key technologies and components for building large scale ultraprecise clock distribution systems: ZYNQ Ultrascale+ SoM, optical links, passive optical networks, PCIe, PLL's, etc.
- Benchmarking, testing, demonstrator boards, proof-of-concept...

-> Could contribute to the proposal of potential solutions for HyperK if Irfu staff join the project