Timing/clock distribution at J-PARC neutrino beamline



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J-PARC accelerators at Tokai



J-PARC neutrino beamline



J-PARC MR beam structure

$500kW \rightarrow 1300kW$



 $T_{rep.}$: 2.48 [s] \rightarrow 1.32 [s] \rightarrow 1.16s [s]

of protons : 2.6 x 10¹⁴ [p/pulse] \rightarrow 3.2 x 10¹⁴ [p/pulse]

Timing/clock distribution system at neutrino beamline

[purpose]

Determine neutrino beam production timing and distribute its to ND and SK

[functions]

- Receive beam timing from accelerator
- Record time stamp of beam extraction timing using GPS
- Distribute the extraction timing and its time stamp to detectors

Beam timing from accelerator

Two kings of timing are defined:

(1) Scheduled timing

- based on 25Hz clock (master clock is 12MHz)
- to generate magnet excitation pattern etc.

(2) Synchronization timing

- based on RF clock
 (1.671-1.721MHz for 3-30GeV)
- to generate Injection &
 Extraction devices excitation

Both timing signals are sent to neutrino beamline



Timing distribution and time-stamp recording at neutrino beamline control room



- Time-stamp of the beam extraction timing is recorded using GPS system (Local-Time-Counter: LTC module)
- Spill# (counter of # of beam trigger) and the beam extraction timing signal (NIM-level pulse) is then distributed to beam monitors, ND detectors through E/O, O/E modules

GPS system (T2K)

- Two independent GPS receivers (identical set at both Tokai and Kamioka)
- Rb clock as a master clock of wo LTC mbd ସା congrectionadie shooMHz





[developed by H.Berns (UC Davis)]

Common view (CV) system

- Since satellites used in Tokai and Kamioka GPS may be different, there are uncertainties on time synchronization between Tokai and Kamioka
- To monitor the Tokai-Kamioka time synchronization, we introduce "common view" system



Common view can calculate time for each satellite and JST data from NICT





https://www.nict.go.jp/publication/shuppan/kihou-journal/journal-vol50no1.2/0402.pdf

Beam time-stamp information (GPS data) is sent to SK DAQ in realtime



Spill timing transfer from J-PARC to SK





Proton beam signal by SSEM



Summary

- Timing/clock distribution system at J-PARC neutrino beamline is introduced
- Current system has been working without any troubles but some hardwares are already discontinued
- Toward HK era, development of some hardwares including GPS system is desired. New participation is highly welcome !!