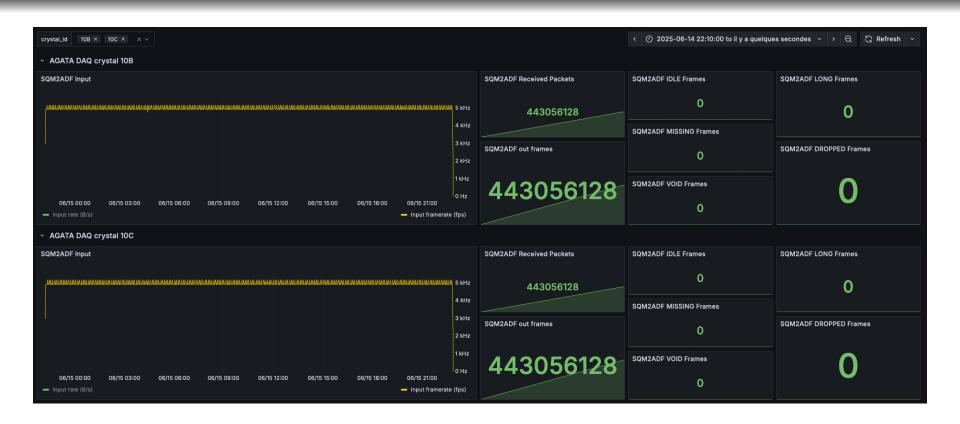
V2 Electronics – DAQ and Processing tests







Hardware & Software Dataflow Tests results

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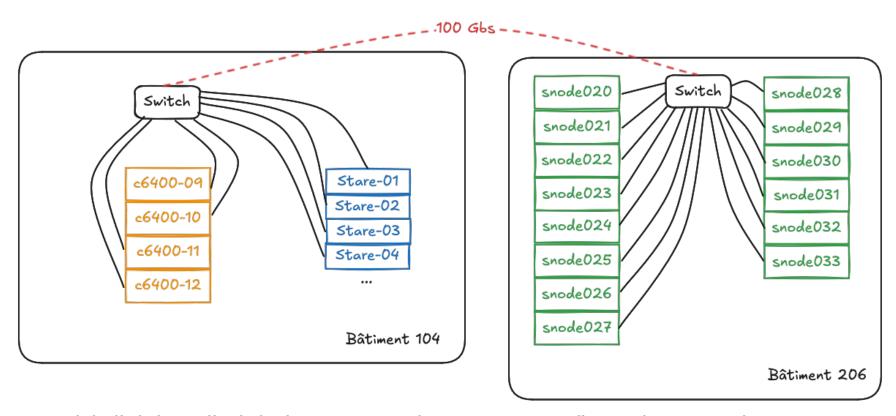
Software Emulator (ADF2UDPServer) :

- Send data using STARE format
- Can load any ADF file
- Loop over hundreds of thousands of events
- Different packets timeline from STARE card





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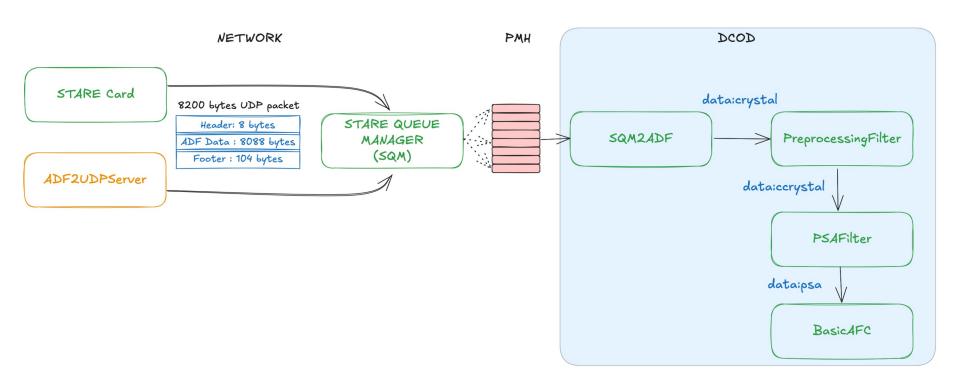


100 Gb/s link installed during summer but not yet configured : currently no connection between 2 buildings : can NOT send data from STARE cards to snode*

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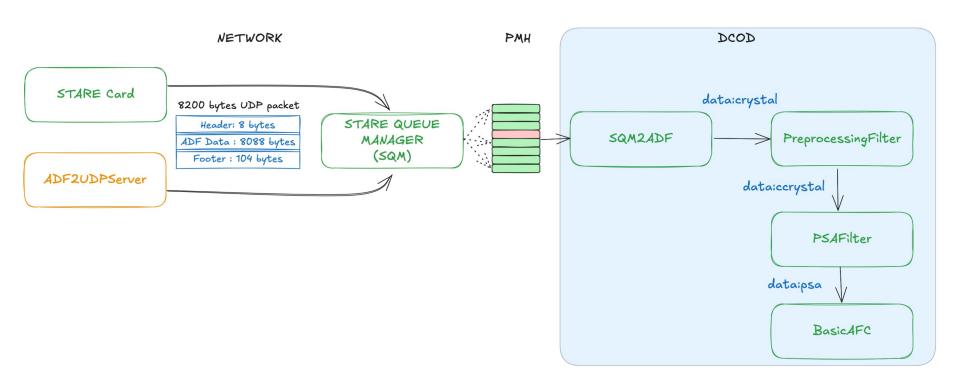






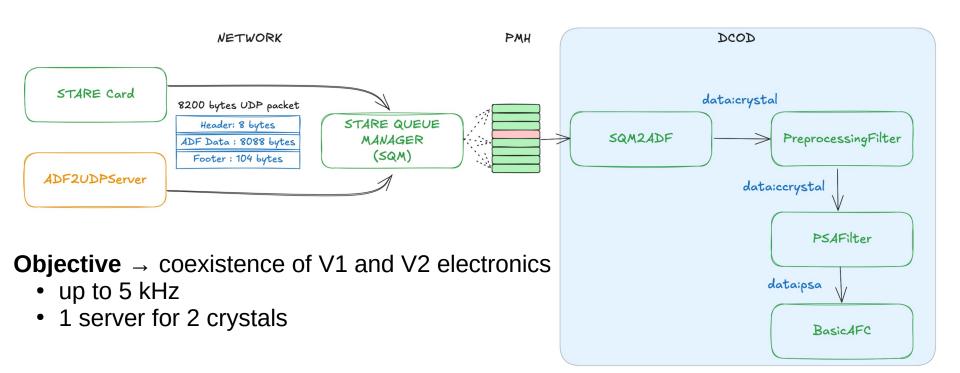






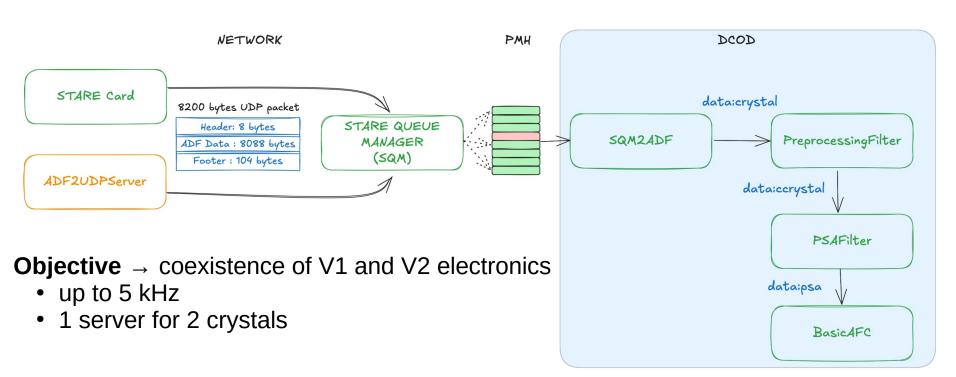












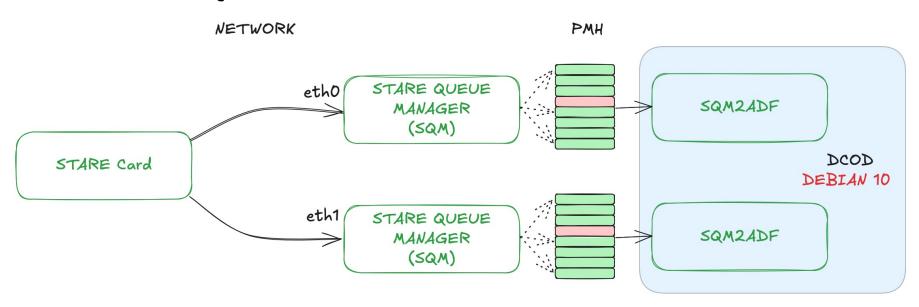
Risk → UDP protocol does NOT ensure packets reception

- No way of retrieving packet if lost
- Packet loss may happen at different places : NIC, switch, OS Kernel...
- We can only reduce the probability of packets loss





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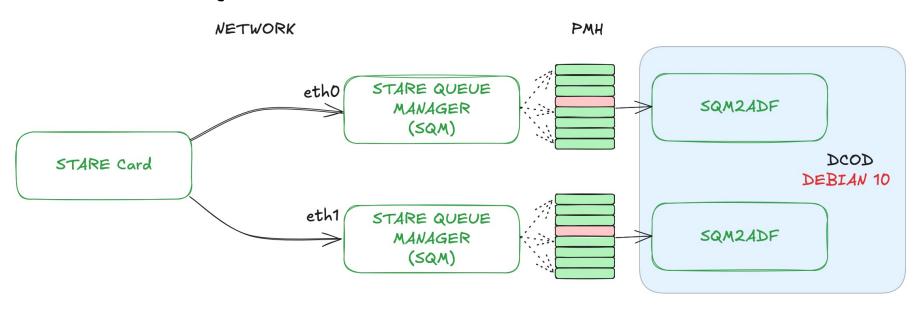
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18H @5kHz:

- 323.780.608 packets sent on each interface
- Respectively 234 and 0 packets lost

7H45 @15kHz:

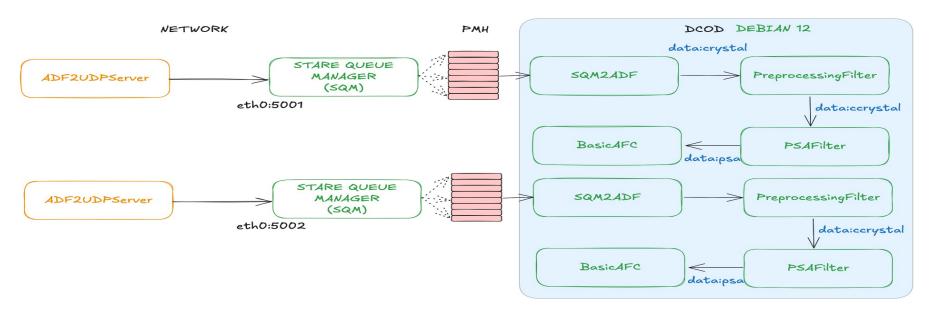
- 419.397.632 packets sent on each interface
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2 x Soft Emulator → Full Chain

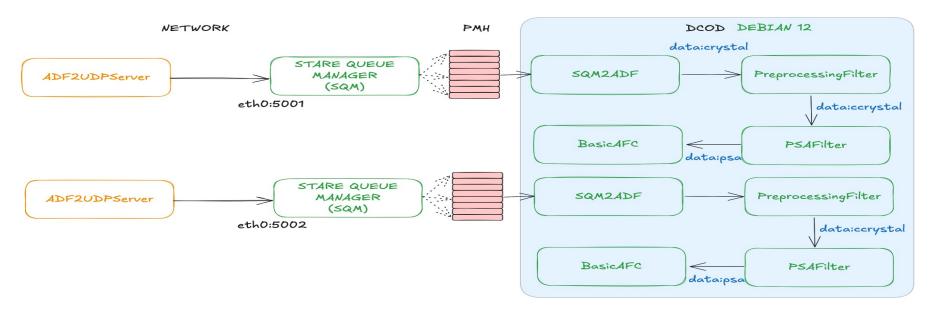


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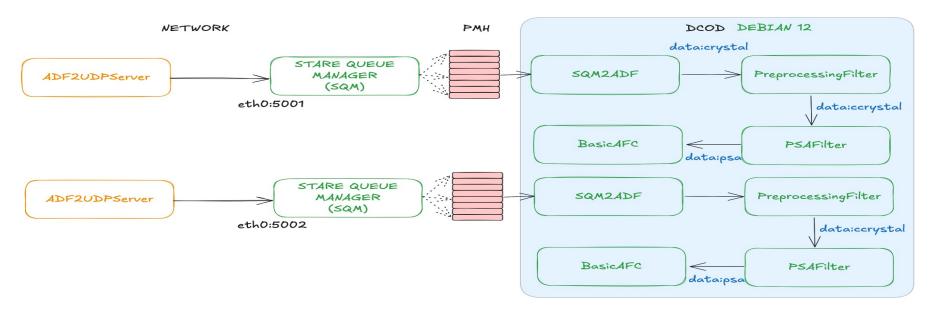
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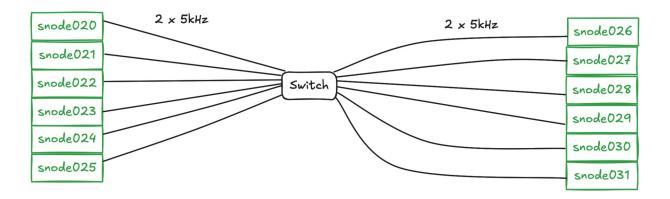
- 22H @ 10kHz : no packet loss
- + 8h30 @ 12kHz : no packet loss
- + 1h30 @ 14kHz : no packet loss ... PSA back pressure @15kHz





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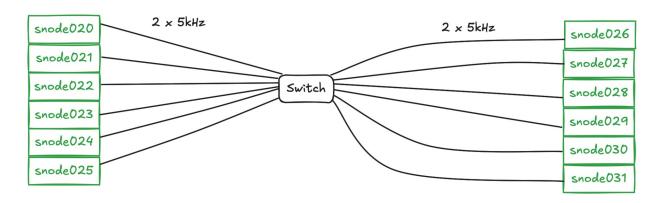






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24H30 @5kHz:

- 442.073.088 packets sent on each chain
- 447, 425 and 1 packets lost on 3 chains (2 first from same source computer)
- 9 chains with **no packet loss**





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