
ATLAS Muon Drift Tube Front-end Electronics Upgrade for HL-LHC Runs

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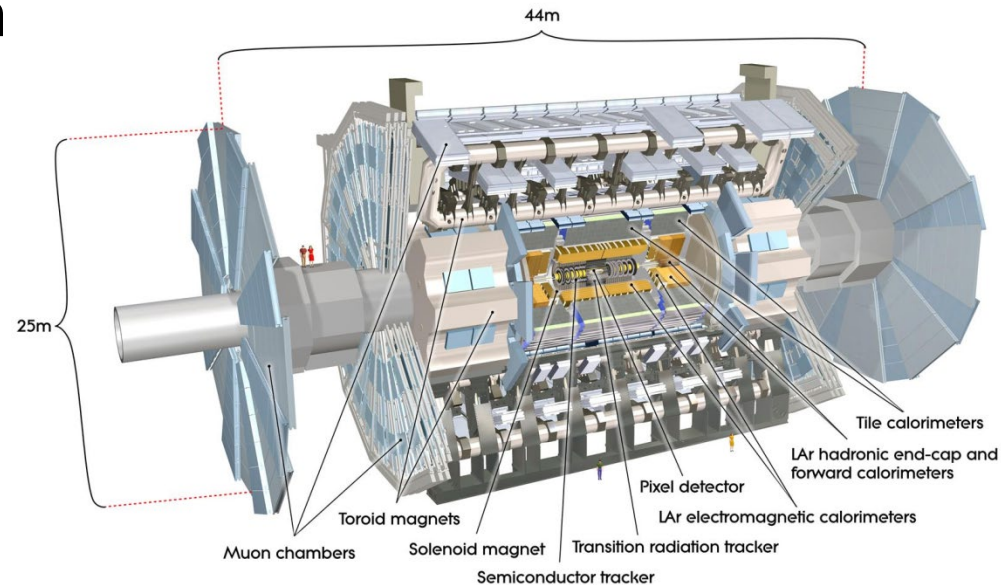
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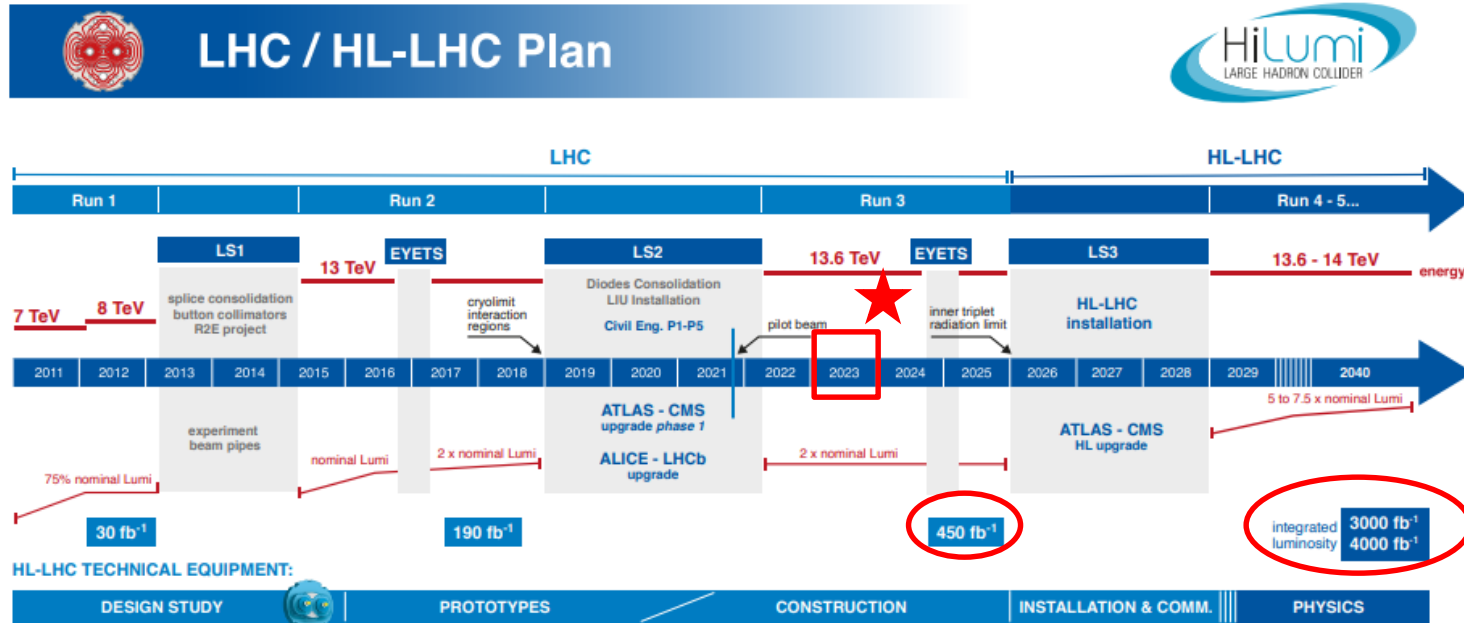
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□ The roadmap to High-Luminosity LHC

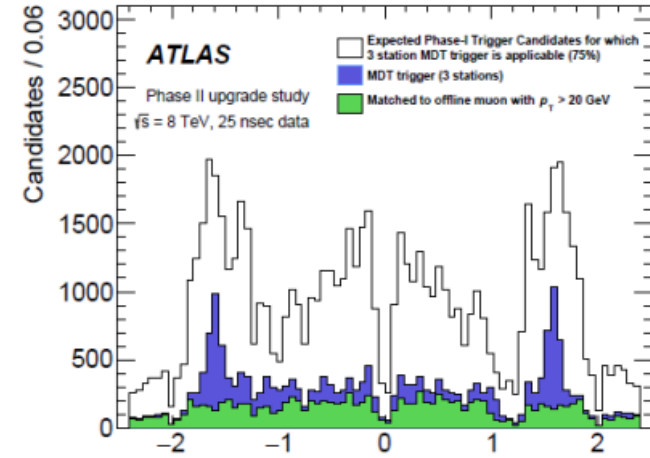


- HL-LHC: increase of Luminosity to $5 \sim 7 * 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$
 - Higher pile-up
 - Higher particle rates
 - Higher radiation level
- } Major detector/electronics upgrade
- Muon Spectrometer Upgrade: 2 Phases during long shut down 2 and 3

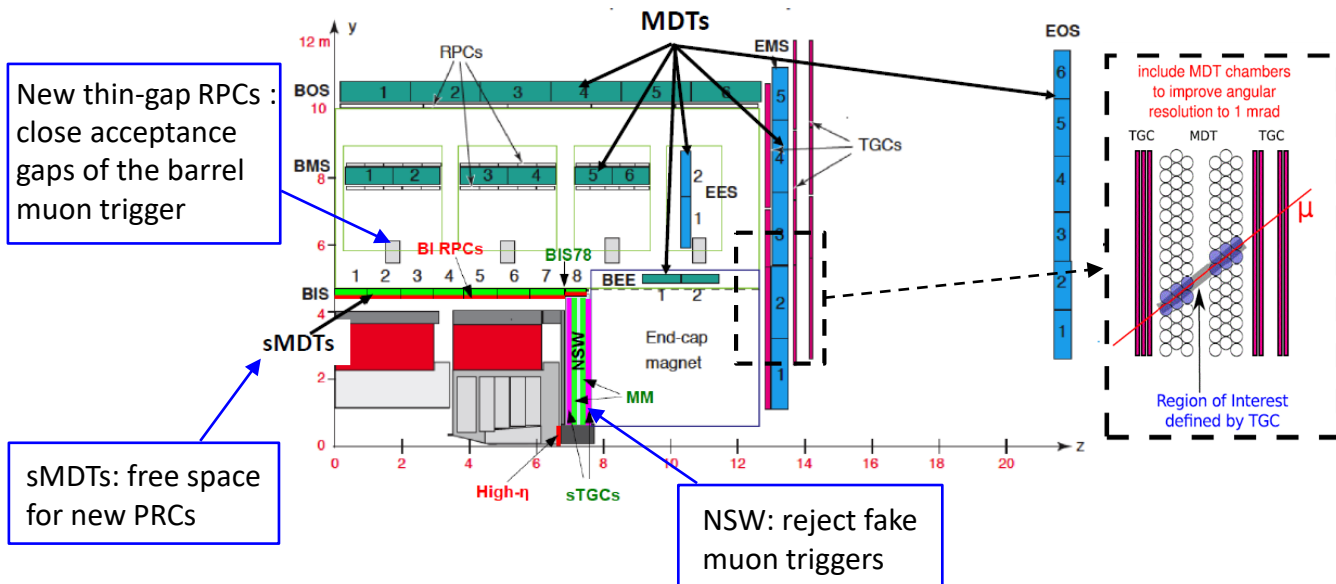
Introduction

ATLAS Muon Spectrometer @ HL-LHC

- Improve Muon transverse momentum (P_T) resolution
 - RPC and sMDT chambers will replace current MDT chambers (inner barrel) to allow for a 3-station RPC trigger
 - P_T selectivity of tracks for the trigger will be improved by using better position resolution @ L0 triggering
- Cope with High-Lumi Requirements
 - MDT (Monitor Drift Tubes) readout electronics system must be upgraded
 - 1150 chambers with 354k tubes covering an area of 5500 m²



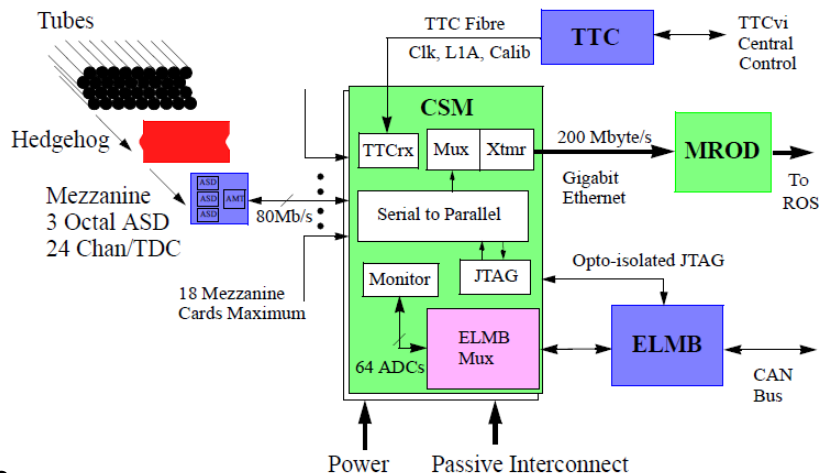
Expected reduction of low- P_T fake triggers using the MDT



MDT Electronics System

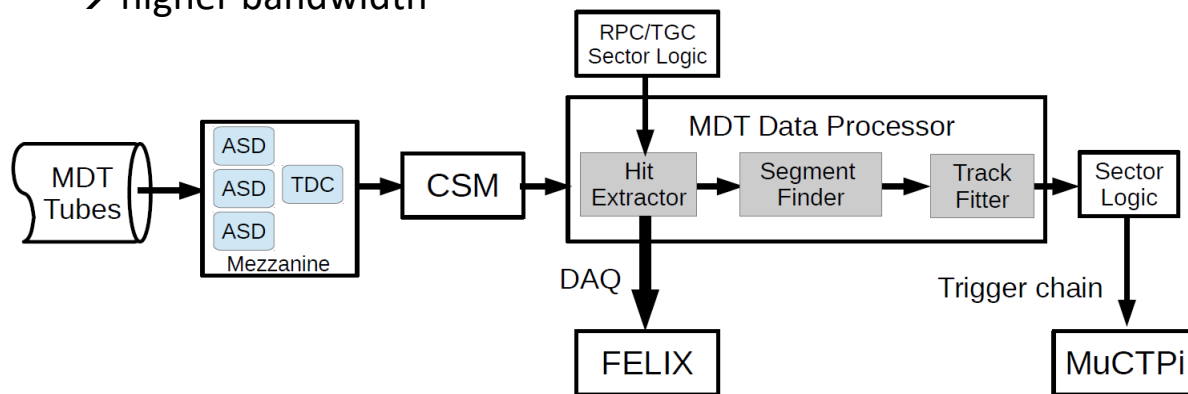
MDT Electronics @ Current System

- MDT & Trigg. Chambers are read out independently
 - MDT readout only on L1 trigger → lower bandwidth
 - Trigger mode used at the Front-end



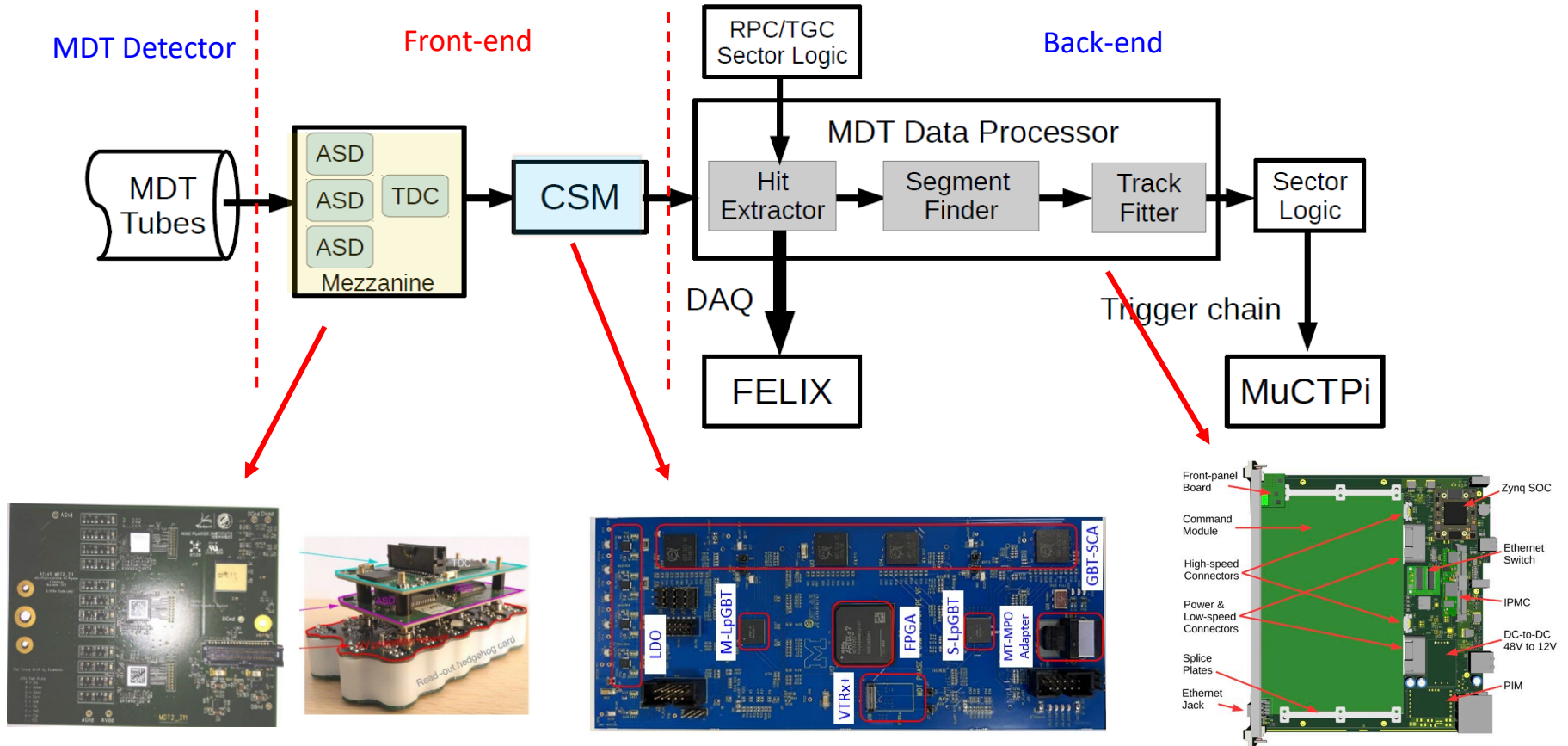
MDT Electronics @ HL-LHC

- MDT data is used to “sharpen” trigger decision
 - Find accurate pT using ROI seed from trigger chambers and confirm/reject trigger hypothesis
 - Triggerless at FE and track fitting in the counting room → higher bandwidth



General Concept:
Move decision making to the counting room

MDT Electronics System @ HL-LHC



New ASD & TDC ; New Mezz

- New triggerless operation
- Support higher readout bandwidth
- ~80k ASDs & ~22k TDCs will be produced
- New Stacked Mezz for sMDT

New CSM: GBT chipset based

- Flexible handle both old/new Mezz.
- Fix latency & ~20Gbps bandwidth
- Fan-out configuration information for Mezz
- Collect monitor information for MDT FE elk
- Will deliver 1350 boards

MDT Data Processor

- Provide MDT trigger candidate to the global L0 trigger level
- Precision data readout
- Will deliver 64 ATCA cards

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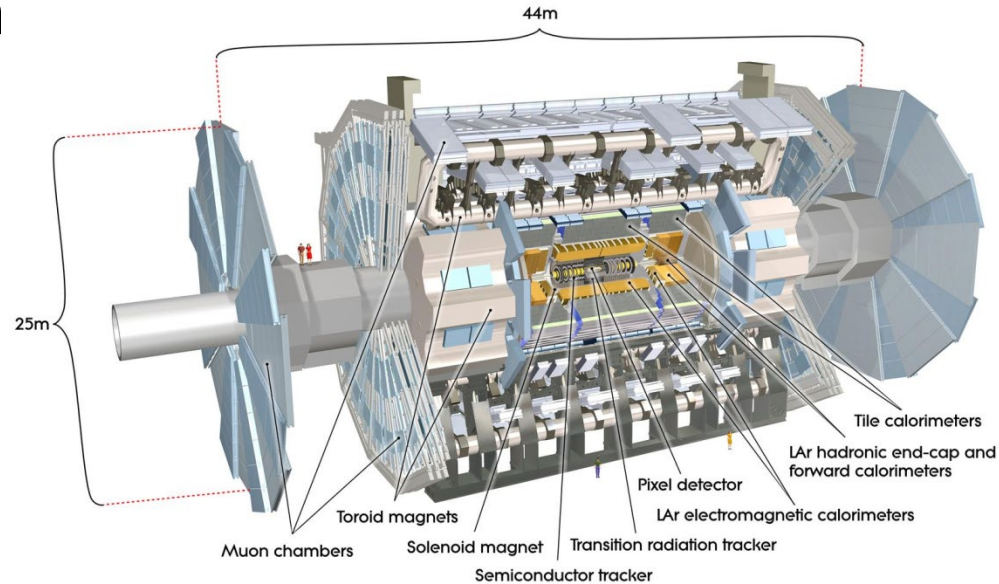
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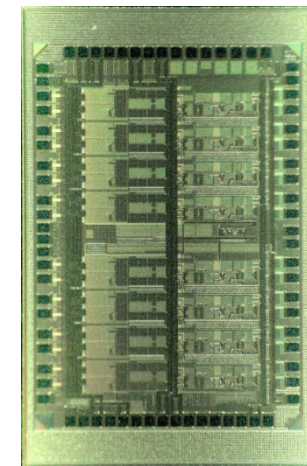
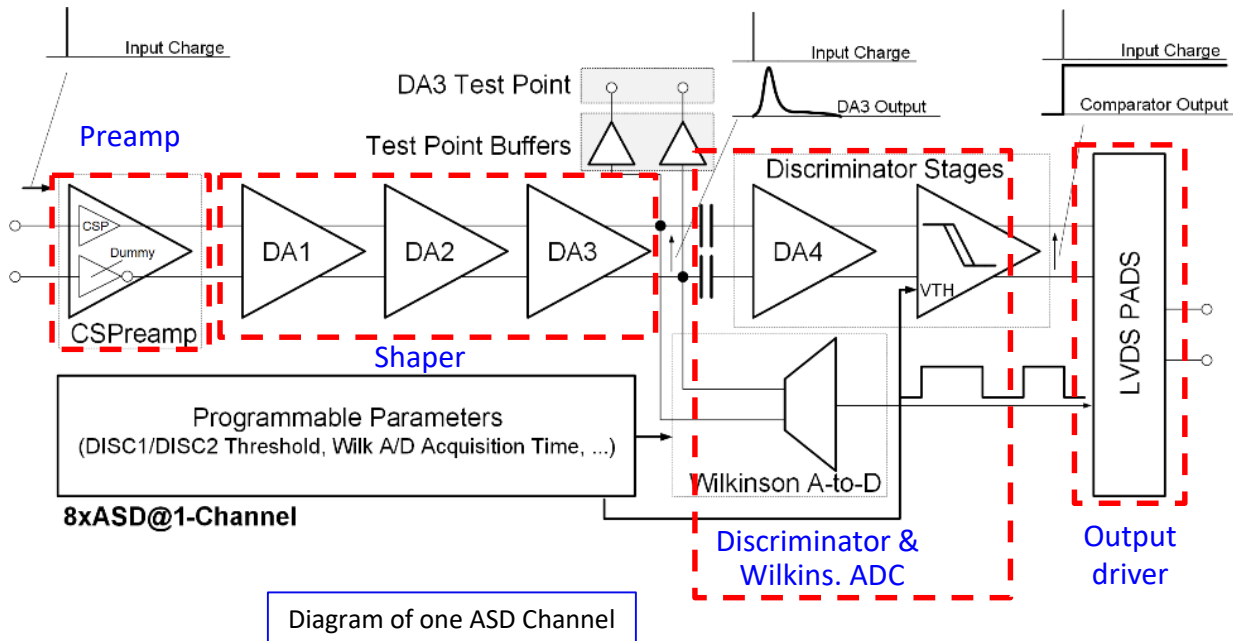
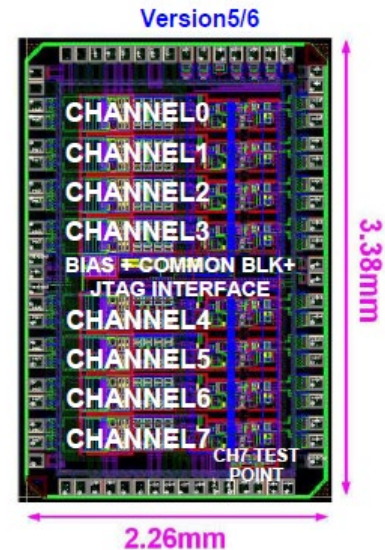
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Amplifier-Shaper-Discriminator ASIC

ASD Design

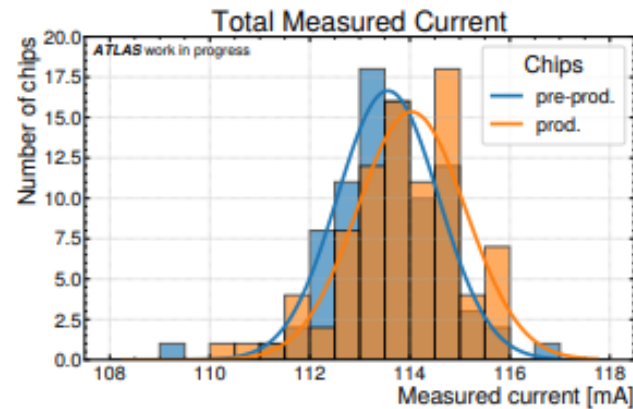
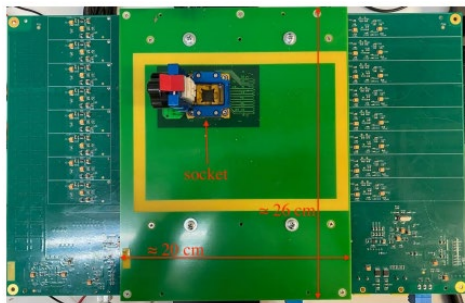
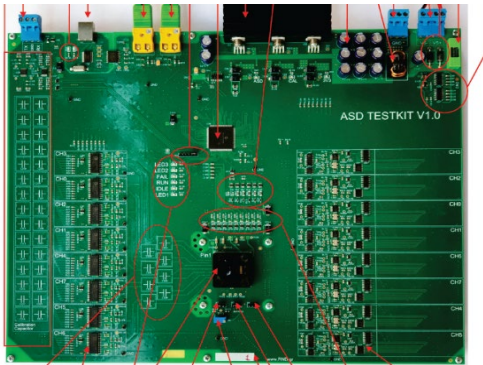
- 8-Chs ASD: GF 130nm CMOS process (7.6 mm²)
- 4 key parts
 - Pre-amplifier: charge-sensitive
 - Shaper: differential amplification (DA1-DA3)
 - Wilkinson ADC & Discriminator
 - LVDS Output Driver (reduced swing)



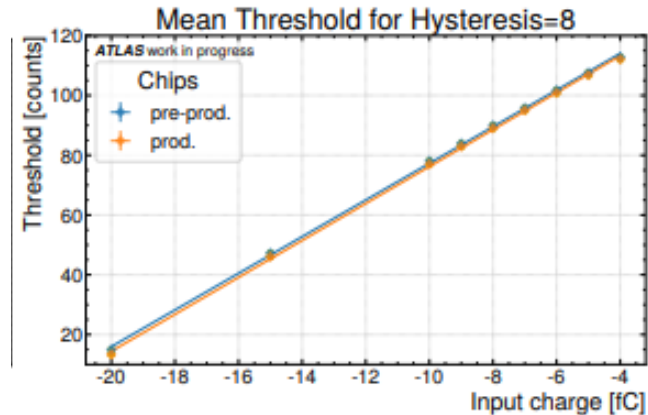
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ASD Project Status

- Preproduction of 7.5k ASD chip was done in 2019, yield rate: ~92.4%
- Production of ASD chip was completed @ end of 2020
- 83k production ASD chips produced and packed in 2021
- Test 1175 production ASD chips for verification of new tester, yield rate: ~86%
- Chip production test: starts in spring 2023 *Ref: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2852416/files/ATL-COM-MUON-2023-008.pdf>



(a) Basic Health Measurement



(b) Threshold Measurement

Comparison between pre-production chips and the first batch of production chips

Time-Digital-Converter ASIC

TDC Design

- 24 CHs input, 2 CHs outputs (320Mbps)
- 4 key parts
 - ePLL (extended Phase-locked loop)
 - Timing circuit: fine + coarse time (0.78ns bin)
 - TDC logic
 - Trigger-less + Trigger mode
 - New output protocol
 - High speed interface
 - Interface: serial output, configuration, clocks...
- Triple Module Redundancy: all configuration registers, clock trees...

No. of channels	24
Least time count	0.78 ns
Dynamic range	17 bits (102.4 μ s)
Integral non-linearity	± 40 ps
Differential non-linearity	± 40 ps
Double hit resolution	<10 ns
Input clock frequency	40 MHz
Max. recommended hit rate	400 kHz per channel
Edge/pair time measurements	Configurable
Output data rate	Configurable: 80 Mbps one line, 160/320 Mbps two lines
Triggerless/trigger modes	Configurable
Triggerless: Latency	<500 ns at 400 kHz per tube
Trigger: Buffer sizes	Hit buffer: 16/channel, channel FIFO: 4/channel, Readout FIFO: 16
Channel enable/disable	Yes
Input/Output signal	SLVS
Radiation tolerance	>20 kRad
Power consumption	<360 mW
Fabrication process	TSMC 130 nm CMOS process

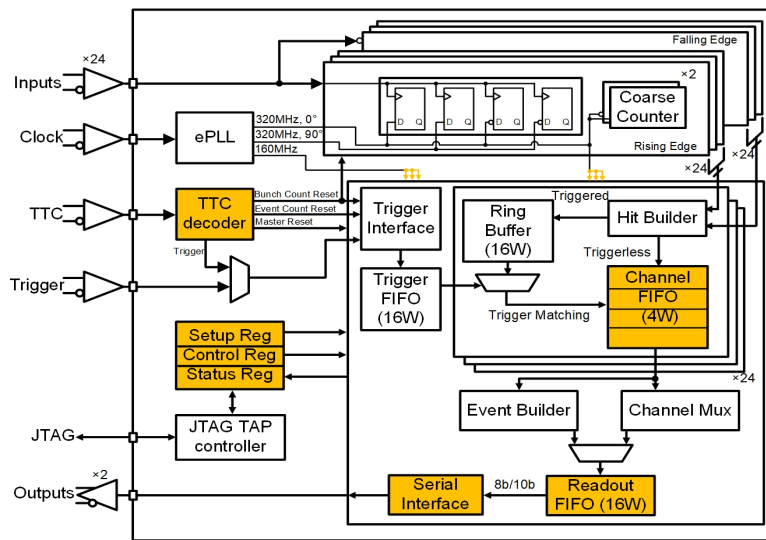
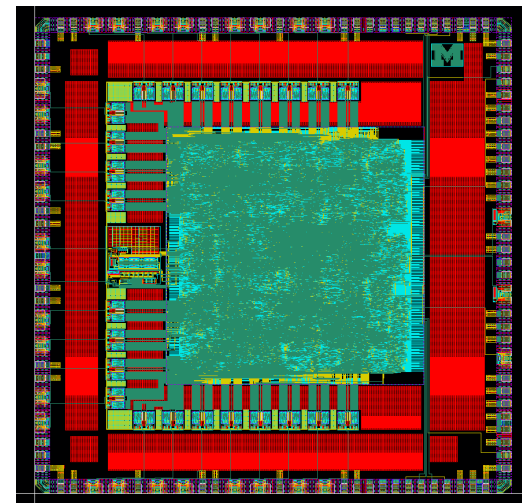


Diagram of TDC V2 with TMR implemented (yellow blocks)



TDC ASIC Layout

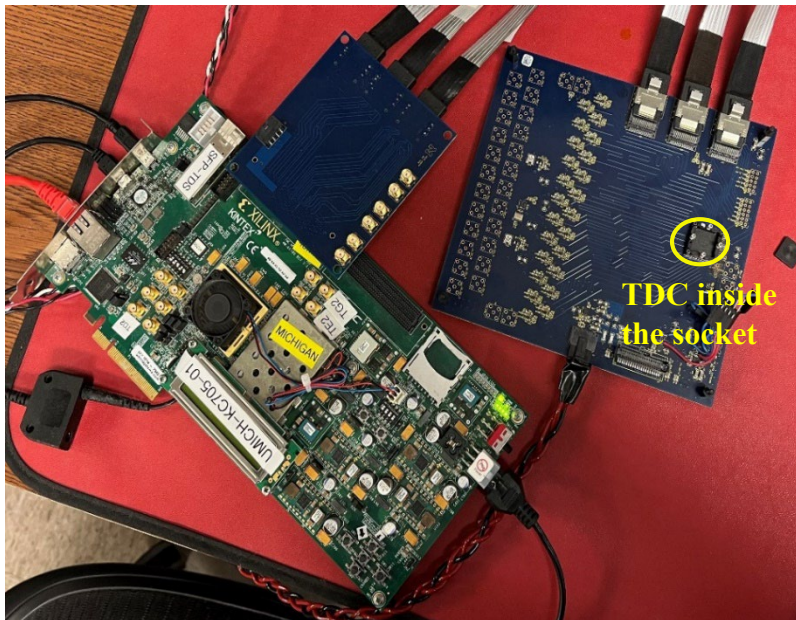
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□ TDC Project Status

- 16 wafers received in July, 2022
- In total 3,726 packaged TDC chips (2 wafers) received on the first week of January 2023
- 100 chips have been tested and no design problems found.
- 15 chips were sent to MPI to be assembled on a few mezz. cards for joint tests.
- One automatic test platform is ready @ UM



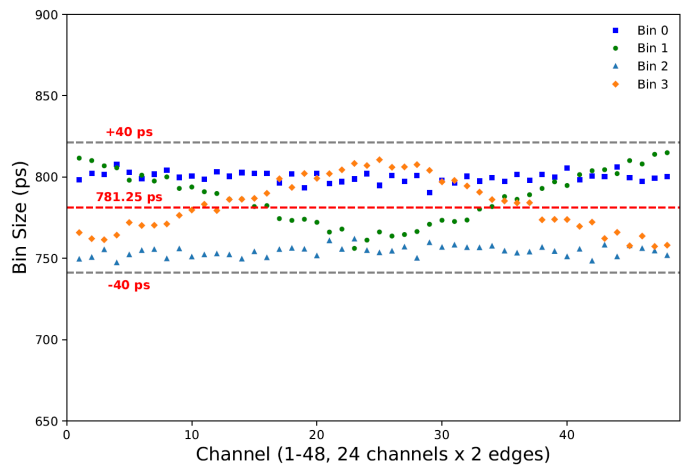
Packaged chips in the tray



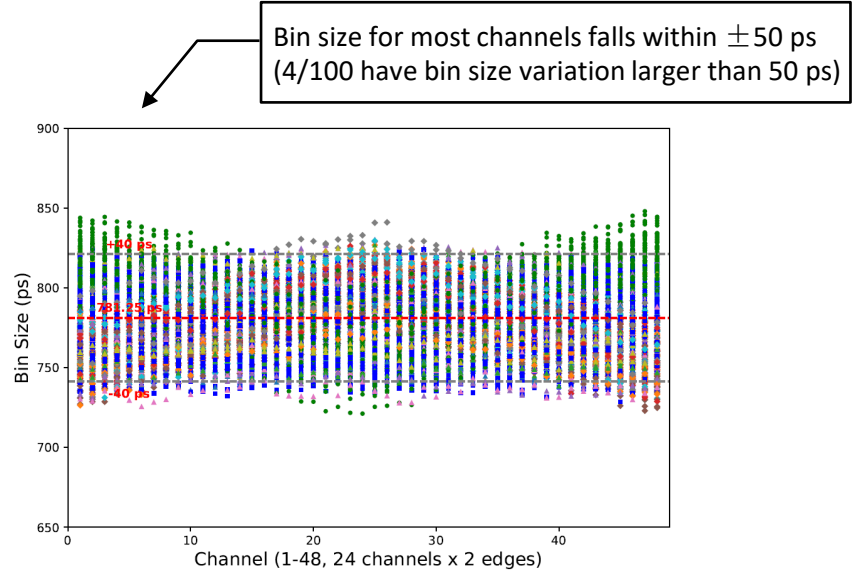
* Two or three more stations will be produced for parallel testing

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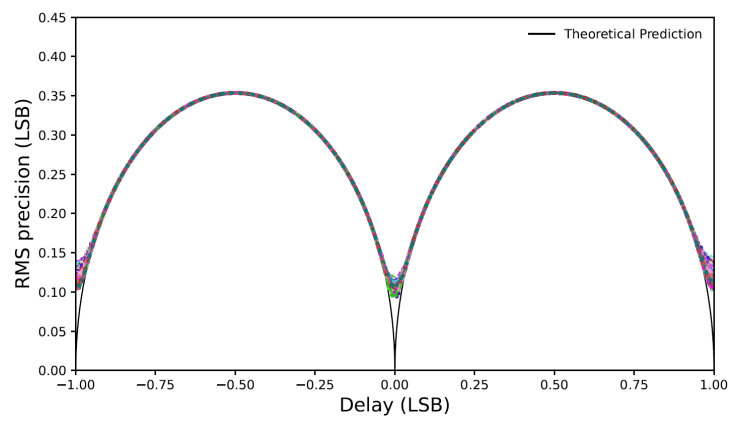
Test results



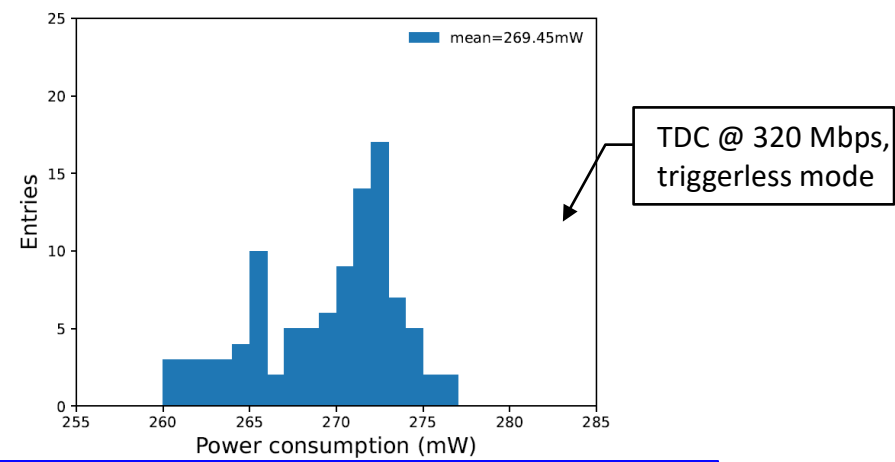
Fine-time bin size of one TDC (48 slices)



Fine-time bin size of 100 TDCs



Timing resolution (RMS) of 4 TDCs (192 slices)

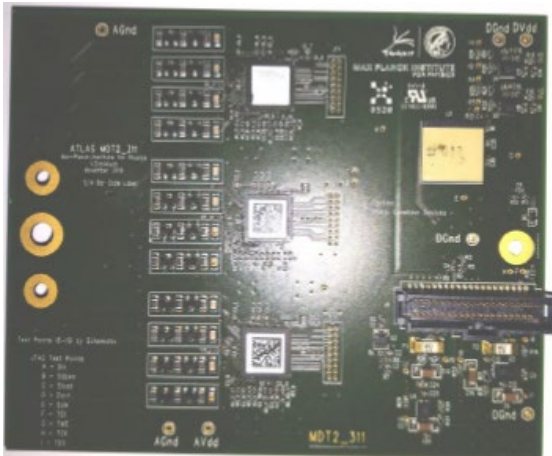


Average power consumption 269 mW @ 1.20 V for 100 chips

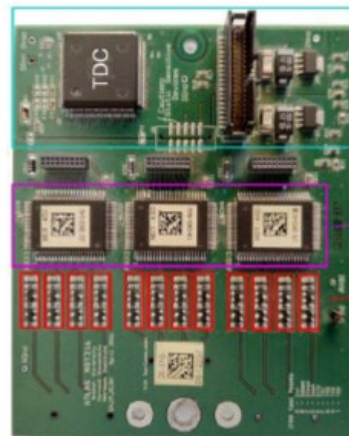
Mezzanine Card

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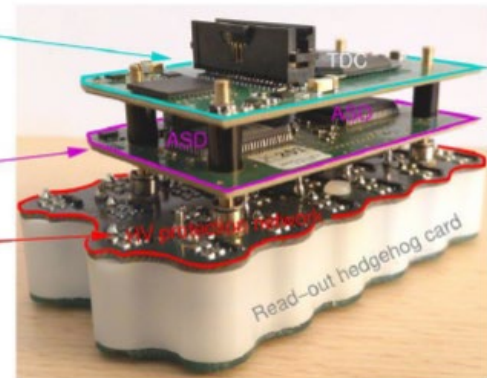
- Flat card (MDT316, MDT436, MDT446)
 - MDT2_316 board with 3 LDO has been tested good with the mezzanine card tester of the University of Würzburg (MDT2_316 board with 2 LDOs is on the way)
 - MDT2_436 and MDT2_446 boards (for 4-layer chambers) are being produced with halogen-free material (2 LDOs/card)
 - Final Design Review in Apr. 2023
- Stacked card (for sMDT)
 - Final Design has been approved in Nov. 2022
 - 3 LDOs/card will be used (LP3964EMP-ADJ/NOPB)



Prototype MDT Mezzanine Card



Legacy MDT Mezzanine

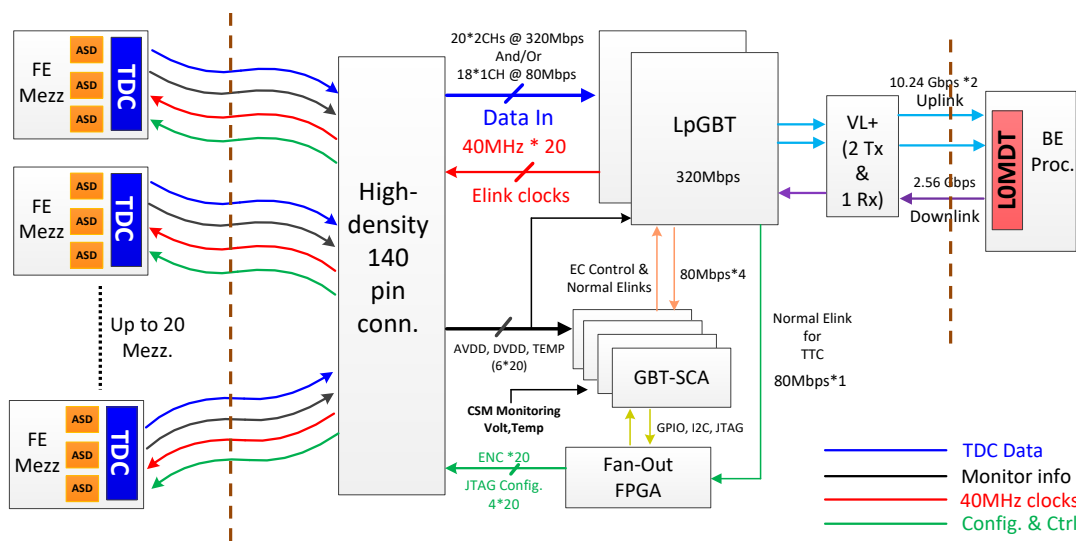


sMDT stacked Mezzanine

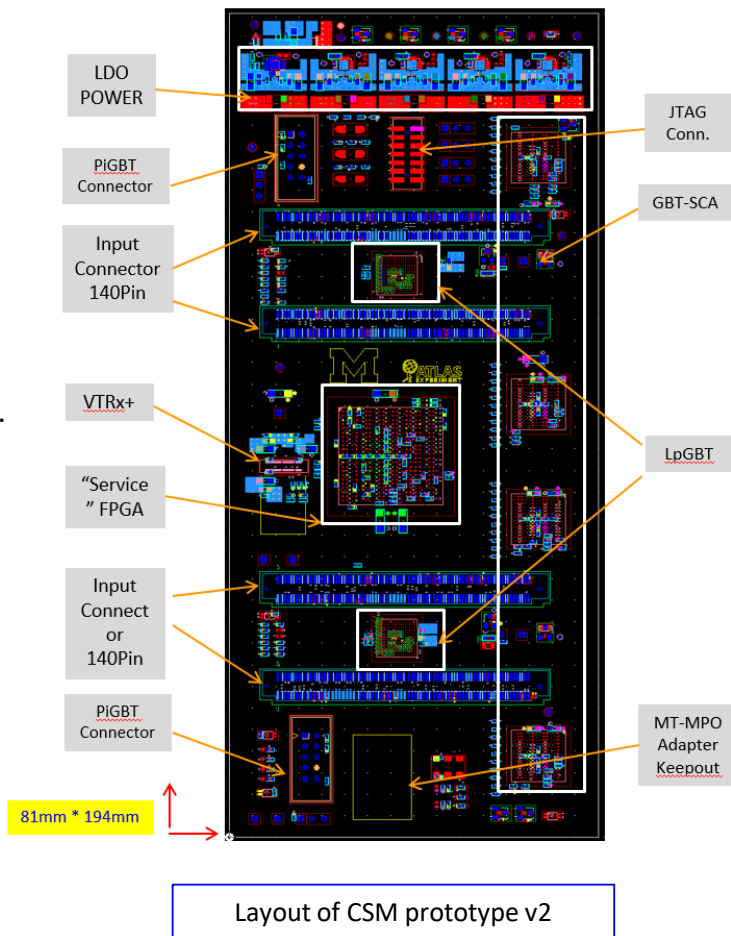
Chamber Service Module

CSM Design

- Handle upto 20 Mezzanines:
 - Input (40 CHs * 320Mbps)
 - Output (uplink fiber 2*10.24Gbps, downlink fiber 1* 2.56Gbps)
- 4 key parts
 - LpGBT *2 (master-slave mode)
 - GBT-SCA*4 : monitoring & configuration
 - Fan-out FPGA: receive configuration info and broadcast to all 20 Mezz.
 - VTRx+: optical module



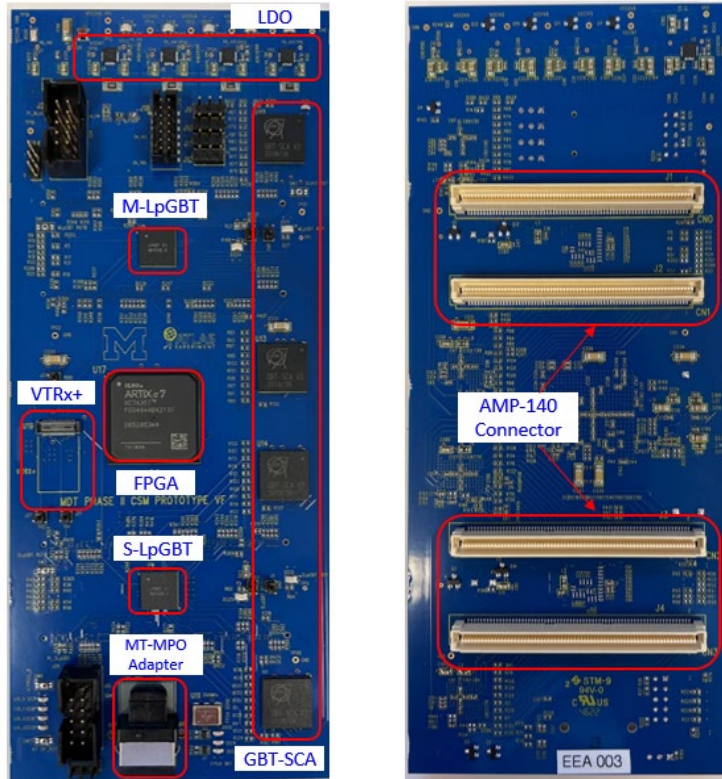
LpGBT-CSM Functionality Block Diagram



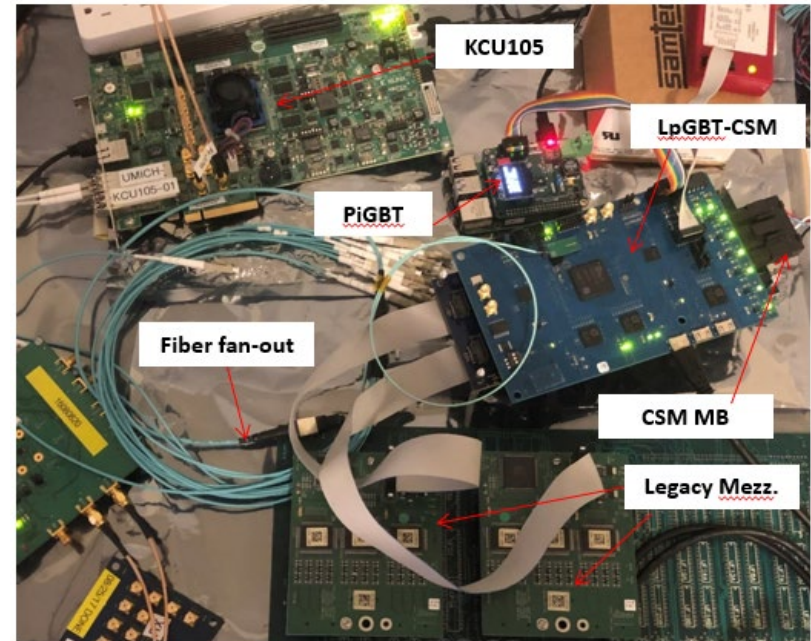
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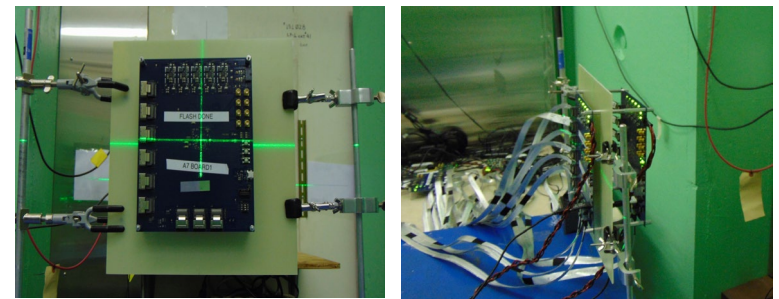
- Final CSM Prototype: pass standalone & integration tests
- Radiation tests of CSM FPGA, LDO have been successfully done @ LANSCE, BNL, PSI...
- Final Design review: May. 2023



Photos of CSM final prototype (Top & Bottom)



Test setup of legacy Mezz. and CSM prototype

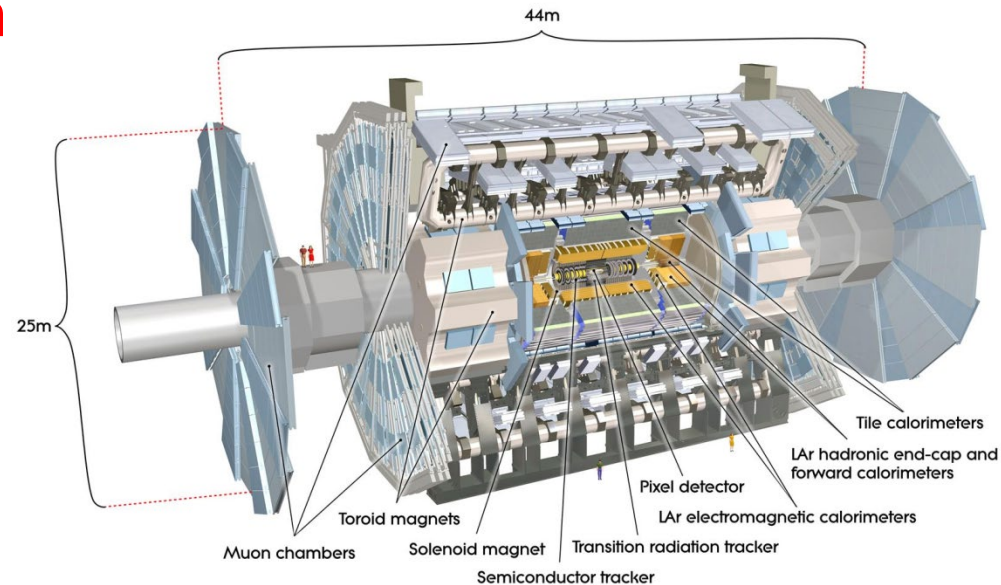


CSM FPGA rad-test boards @LANSCE

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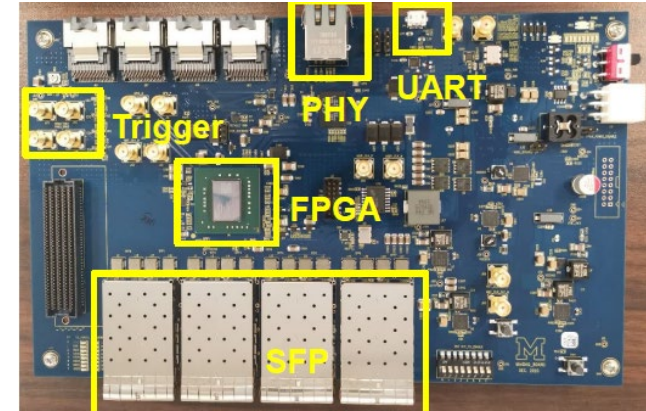


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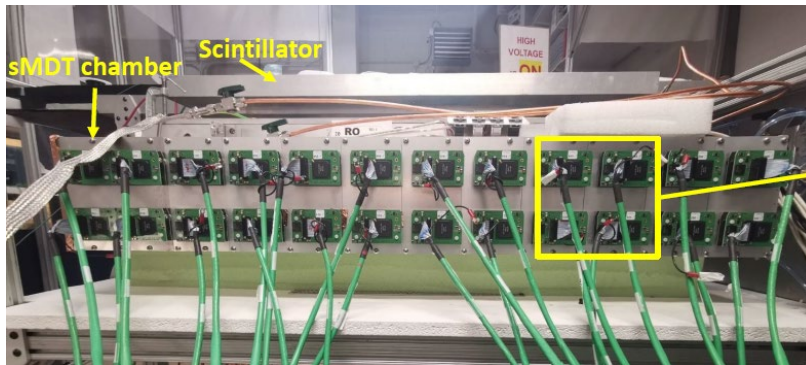


Integration Tests of the FE Electronics

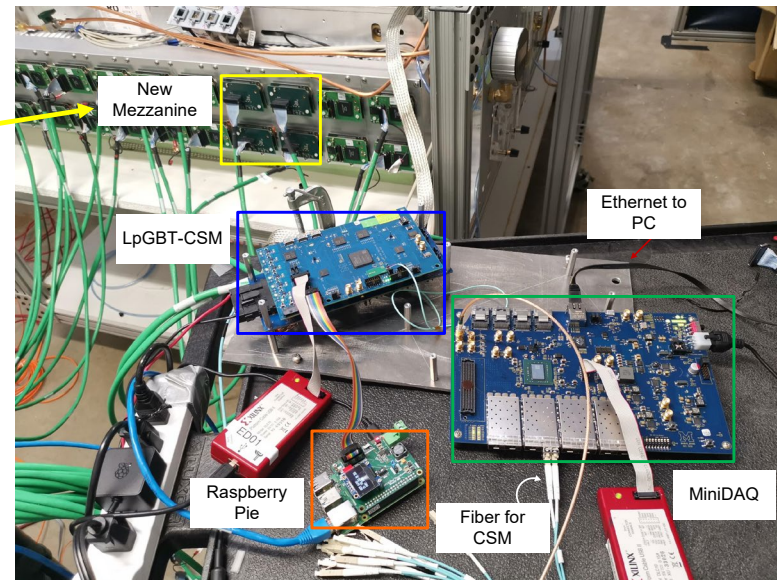
- MiniDAQ board (a light version of L0MDT)
 - L0MDT (MDT data processor) is not ready yet
 - Integration test of all new FE elx is very important
 - ✓ MiniDAQ Board is designed for sMDT/MDT chamber + FE elx integration and commissioning



Photos of MiniDAQ Board



New sMDT chamber (module 0) @ Umich



Integration tests of new MDT FE elx @ Umich

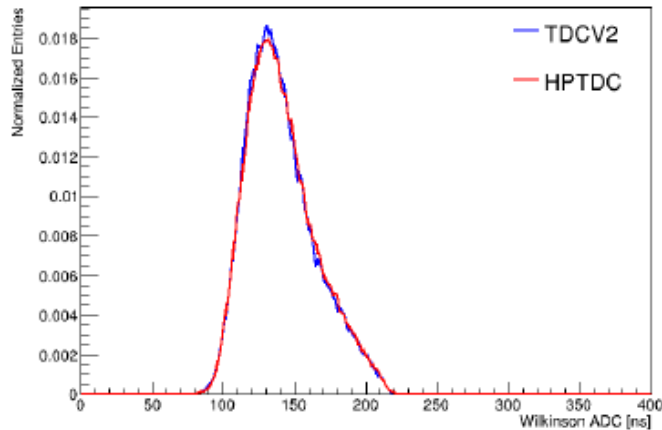
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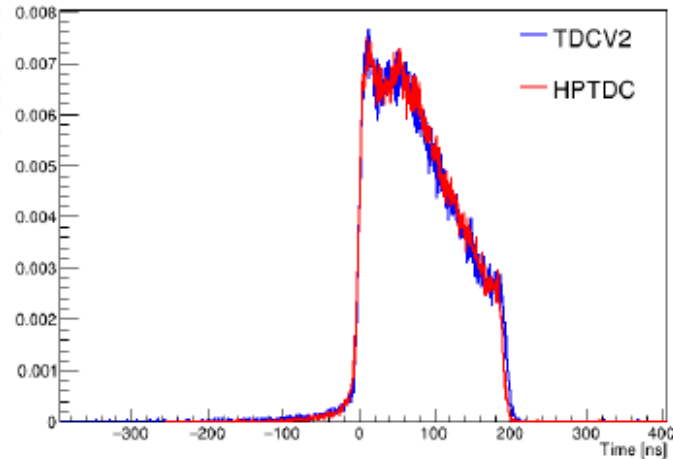
- Cosmic ray data in trigger-less mode @ MDT/sMDT detector
- Trigger matching performed inside the miniDAQ FPGA
- TDC/ADC spectrum and efficiency compared between new elx (trigger-less mode) and legacy elx (triggered mode)

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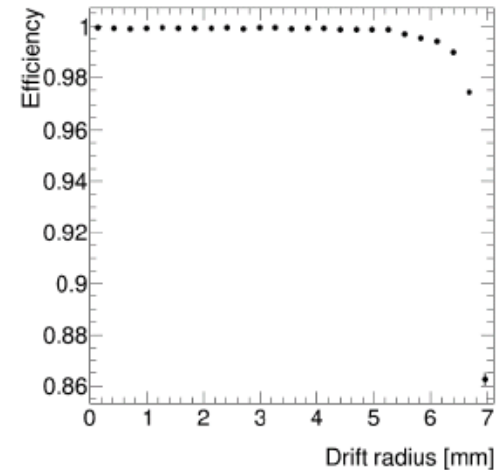


Single tube ADC spectrum comparison

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Single tube TDC spectrum comparison



Average tube efficiency

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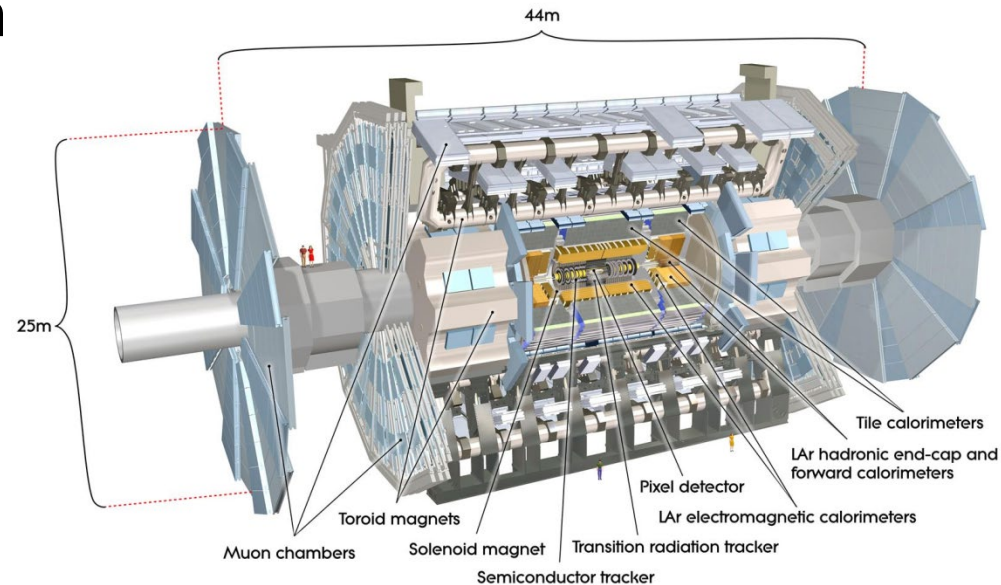
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- To cope with high rates & improve P_T momentum resolution, upgrade all ATLAS MDT electronics system is required
- MDT FE upgrade projects have made lots of progress and passed major reviews
 - ASD: Production has been done & Testing is on-going
 - TDC: Production is on-going & ~4k TDC chips received in Jan. 2023
 - Mezzanine card & CSM : FDR in Apr. & May (design under approval)
- Ongoing development on the frontend electronics integration
 - Intergration: sMDT/MDT chambers → Mezz. card → CSM → L0MDT emulator in MiniDAQ
- General Schedules
 - ASD production test @ Q1.2023
 - TDC production on-going @ Q1.2023
 - Mezz. card production start @ Q1. 2024
 - CSM production start @ Q1. 2024



We are on track!

Thanks!