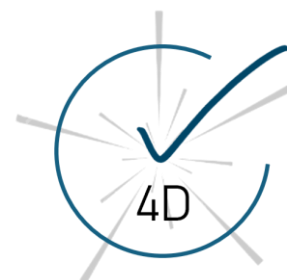


Timing distribution techniques and systems

(Project 7.3b2)



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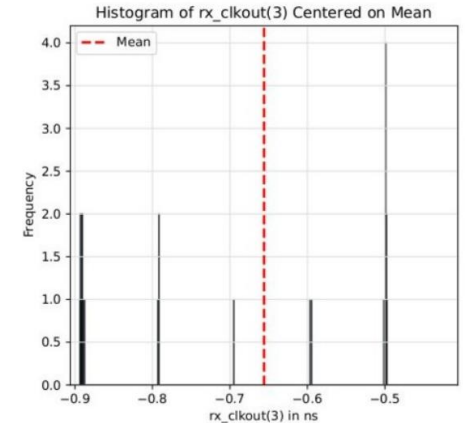
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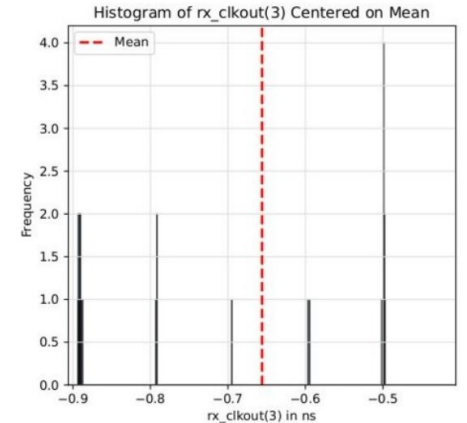
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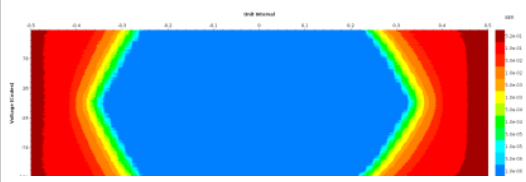
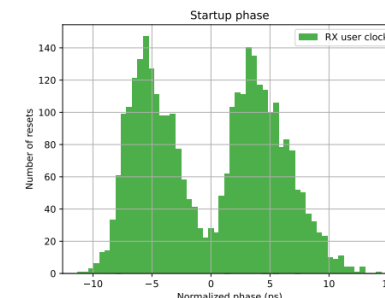


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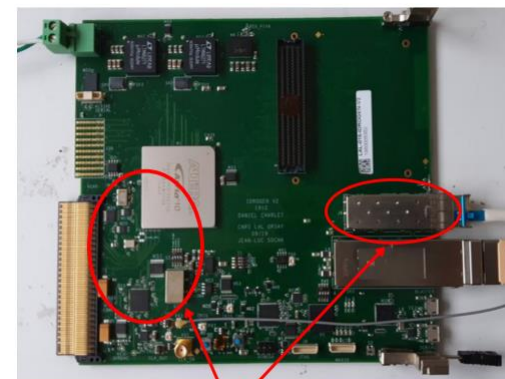


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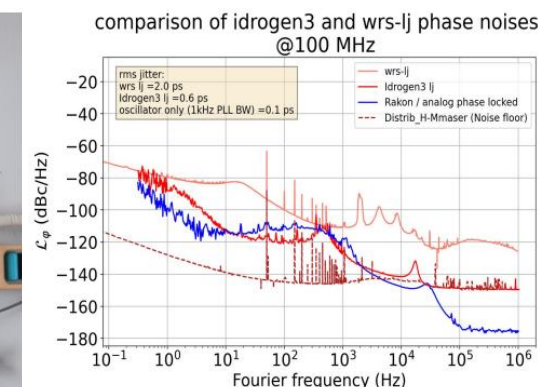
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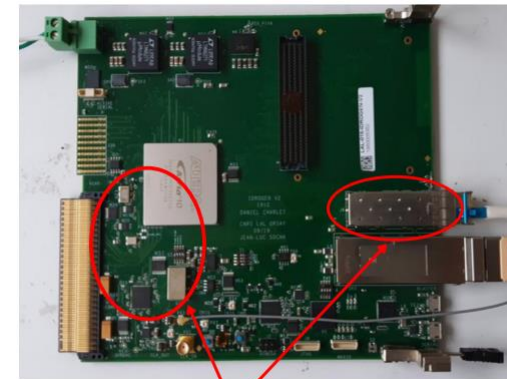


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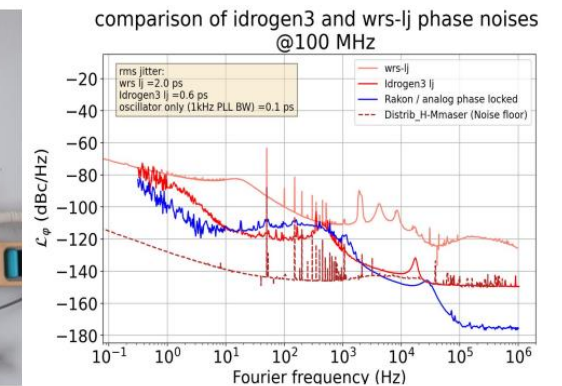
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- Using White Rabbit for 4D detector (Spanish consortium Itainnova, CNM, IFCA)

- Detector: multiplane muon tomograph telescope integrating new technologies:

- LGAD Sensors (IMB-CNM/CSIC)
- CMS ETROC ASIC (IFCA/CSIC)

- White Rabbit as reference for clocking in precise ToF measurements (ITA)

- Implementation on its way in test beam area (WRCLK being recovered at the Front End, now LHC Bunch Clock to be regenerated)



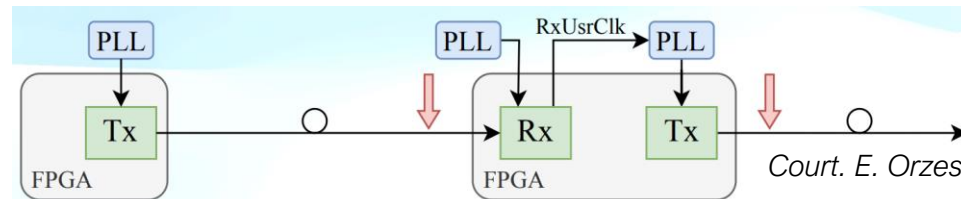
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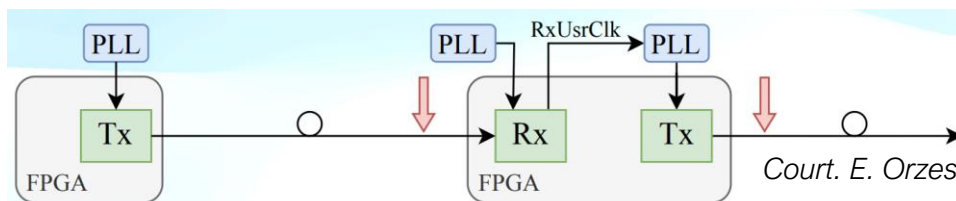
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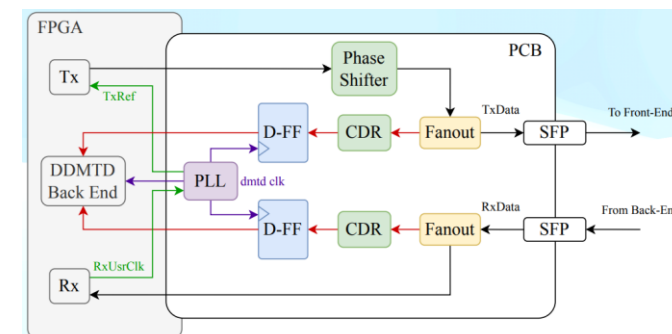


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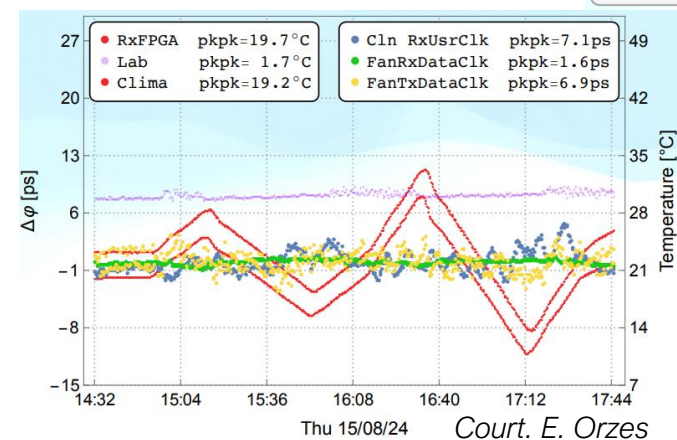
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- ...using FPGA agnostics circuits (COTS or ASICs developed by Minnesota Team)
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- PCB design is starting
- New High Precision Phase Shifter ASIC submitted



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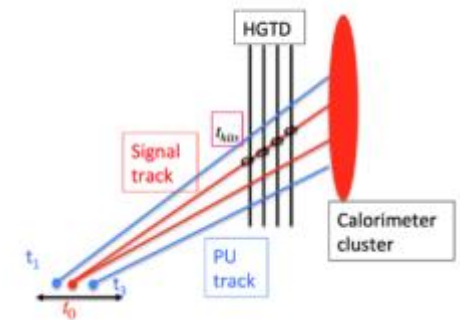
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 - Sharing performance obtained with hardware measurements to be injected in simulation
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 - New proposal from Nikhef & RU Nijmegen on *time data reconstruction*
 - In addition to offline calibration for time compensation...
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Figure credit: Louis d'Eramo



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- Currently updating contributions wrt results of recent or upcoming funding rounds
 - Almost all Institutes will be able to maintain or even increase effort in the coming year
 - Activity on protocol may be put on hold until next funding round
 - New transversal project activity proposed by Nikhef and RU Nijmegen

