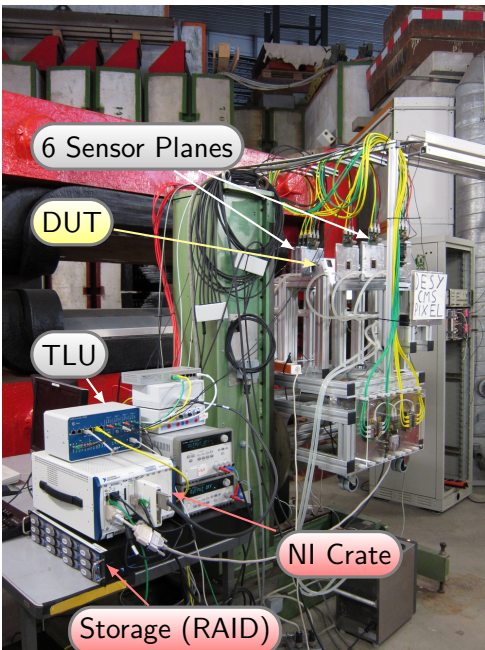




DAQ of the Mimosa-based AIDA Pixel Telescope for High-Rate Beam Tests

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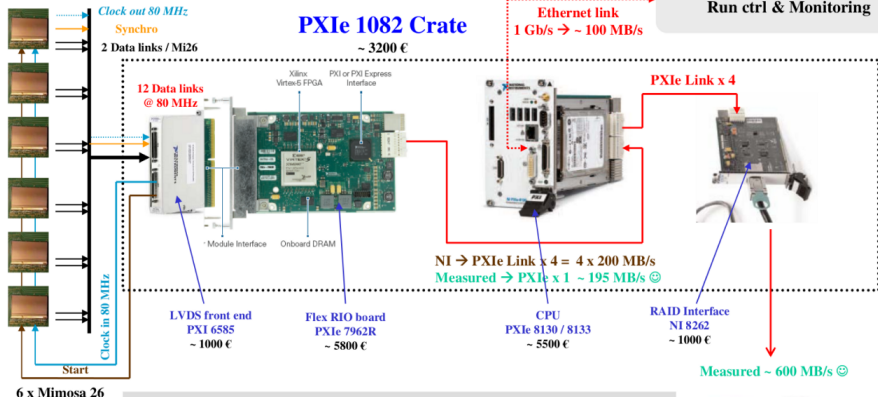
Datura Telescope at DESY: Hardware Group Picture

- 6 planes with Mimosa26 sensors
- Precise and flexible mechanics
- Central DAQ components:
 - ▶ Trigger logic unit (TLU)
 - ★ see previous talk
by Alvaro Dosil Suarez
 - ▶ National Instruments Crate:
8-Slot PXI Express Chassis

Upgrade of the DAQ in 2011

Much faster than previous system
 ⇒ ready for the future

DAQ (15,5 k€) → **Crate + Flex RIO + CPU + RAID (Option)**



DAQ development Done & Used in Beam Test

- ▶ Telescope 6 x **Mimosa 26** = 12 links @ 80 MHz = 120 MB/s
- ▶ Telescope 6 x **Ultimate** = 12 links @ 160 MHz = 240 MB/s



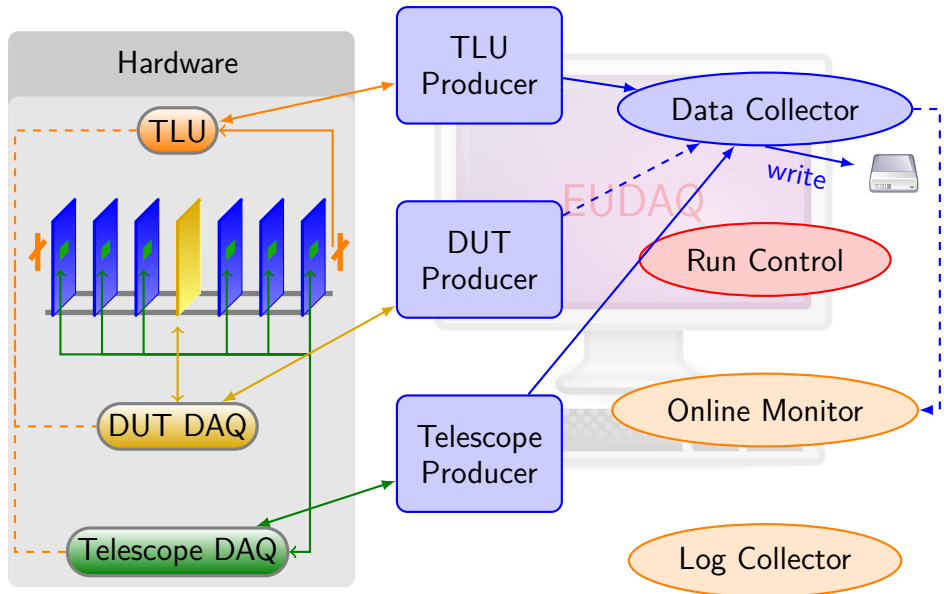
RAID Disk - 3 TB
 HDD 8264
 ~ 4500 €

System set up by Strasbourg, connection to EUDAQ done by DESY

Features of the EUDAQ Software Data Acquisition System

- Generic framework for data acquisition
- OS independent: Linux, Mac OSX, (Windows)
- Allows full integration of device under test (DUT) independent of its technology **including pre-existing DAQ systems**
- very Modular and flexible design
- DAQ control via GUI, but CLI interface also available
- **Online Data Monitoring**
- Hardware interaction performed by *producers*, data assembled and stored on disk by *DataCollector*
- Already in use by many groups:
Altro (Bonn), APIX (Atlas Pixels), Atlas (TRT), CMS Pixel (DESY), DEPFET (Bonn), FORTIS/SPIDER (Bristol), MimoRoma (INFN), MVD (DESY), PixelMan (Freiburg), SITRA (Santander), Taki (Mannheim), Timepix (Bonn),
... and more (NA62, Alfa, Alice, etc.)

The EUDAQ Architecture



Running EUDAQ

- All components communicate via TCP stack
- Components can be run on different networked machines

The screenshot displays three main windows from the EUDAQ software suite:

- Run Control:** A control panel for the Data Collector. It includes configuration options (e.g., 'ni_cms_coins'), status indicators (Run Number: 1569, Rate: 200), and a list of connections to other components like DataCollector, LogCollector, and Monitor.
- Online Monitor:** A window titled 'EUDET Telescope Online-Monitor 1.0beta21' showing six heatmaps arranged in a 3x2 grid. Each heatmap displays detector activity over time, with a color scale on the right ranging from 0 to 1000.
- Log Collector:** A window titled 'EUDAQ Log Collector' showing a log of system events. The log includes timestamps, levels (e.g., 4-NFO), and text descriptions of actions such as 'Connection from Producer TLU' and 'Configuring (ni_cms_coins)'.

EUDAQ Data Formats:

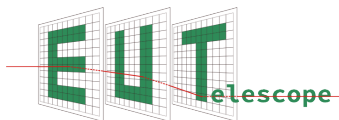
- RawDataEvent
 - ▶ Generic container for unaltered, encapsulated detector response
 - ▶ Data input: **raw block of memory or vector**
 - ▶ Storage of additional information possible
- Alternative: StandardEvent
 - ▶ **Decoded detector data**
 - ▶ Can be read by e.g. the Online Monitor

DUT Integration into EUDAQ

- DUT Producer
 - ▶ Talks to the DAQ hardware, receive events from there
 - ▶ Receives commands from Run Control
 - ▶ **Sends data to the Data Collector (RawDataEvent or StandardEvent)**
- DUT DataConverterPlugin
 - ▶ Convert the specific native detector data into **StandardEvents**
 - ▶ **Needed e.g. for online monitoring** of the DUT

 **Full integration: detector data sent and decoded on each trigger**

EUTelescope Analysis Framework



- library of processors running in ILCSOFT's Marlin application framework
- step-wise transition from single pixel array to 3D coordinates of fitted tracks in global frame
- uses LCIO data format, conversion through EUDAQ or separately

Version 0.8 recently released

- improved user experience: easier installation & use, extended documentation & support
- many fixes and some new features as well

Major code refactorization in progress: improve usability & maintainability

The road toward a high-rate beam pixel telescope

What does *high rate* mean for Mimosa-based telescopes?

- Mimosa sensors: dead-time free, continuous read-out (115 μs /frame)
- Current setup: **one trigger per frame** (\rightarrow max. rate ~ 10 kHz)
- **High-rate: one trigger per particle** (max. trigger rate $\mathcal{O}(100$ kHz)

Disclaimer to following slides

Not all points settled yet and details certainly still under discussion

Preparing DAQ Hardware & Firmware for High Rates

- FlexRIO & PXIe bus of NI chassis already capable of handling continuous read-out of 6 planes of Mimosas26 or MimAIDA
 - LabVIEW code running on NI host (used for frame packaging) **requires some optimization**: currently too CPU intensive for full MimAIDA operation
 - larger data volume of MimAIDA would saturate TCP/IP communication → need to write directly to RAID
- requires modifications to EUDAQ...

Preparing the DAQ Software for High-Rate Beam Tests

Moving to one-trigger-per-particle

- Define data structures in EUDAQ with **range of trigger-numbers and/or time-stamps**
- backward-compatible: allow both new and old data structures
- Modify EUDAQ to LCIO conversion to cope with new data format
- Modify EUDAQ monitoring

Move to multiple data streams

- Separate data writing and event building
- integrate **systems with very different DAQ & readout concepts**
- allows **higher data throughput**
- **challenging for full online monitoring – might not be feasible**
 - ▶ full data possibly unavailable until end-of-run
 - ▶ time consuming merging of data streams (might require full tracking)
- need sophisticated event building → could be done offline
- **immediate offline DQM** to complement simplified online mon. ?

DQM and Analysis of High-Rate Data Using EUTelescope

- EUTelescope already well established for test beam data analysis
- Framework could be extended to allow prior processing of data before merging data streams
- principally suited for elaborate/complicated merging schemes
- Last EUTelescope release simplified user experience already
- with setup simplified sufficiently, **automatic processing and reconstruction for immediate offline DQM feasible**
- **some effort necessary to avoid data duplication** across events

Summary

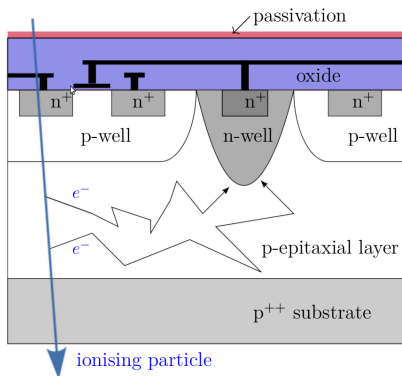
- Pixel telescope hardware DAQ already well under way toward high-rate capabilities
- DAQ and analysis software frameworks both are flexible and modular and can be extended to process high-rate data; however some work needed!
- The one-trigger-per-particle concept requires data format and (minor?) architectural changes in EUDAQ
 - ▶ need to be careful not to break existing DUT producers!

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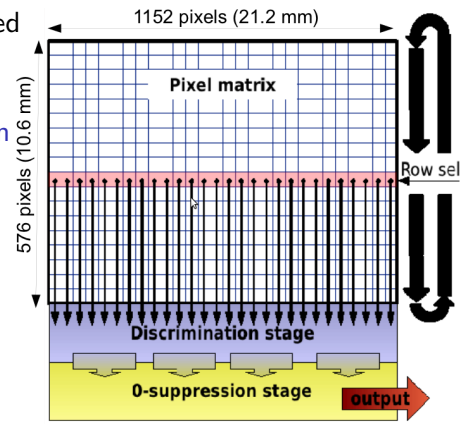
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- MAPS – Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor
- signal processing μ -circuits integrated on sensor substrate
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- Excellent ($\approx 1 \mu\text{m}$) spatial resolution
- Readout in rolling shutter mode
- At 80 MHz \rightarrow 112.5 μs per frame
- No dead-time, continuous readout
- Digital readout
- On-pixel amplification
- 1 discriminator per column width
- Built-in data sparsification
- Current version of Mimosa26:
 - ▶ High resistivity epitaxial
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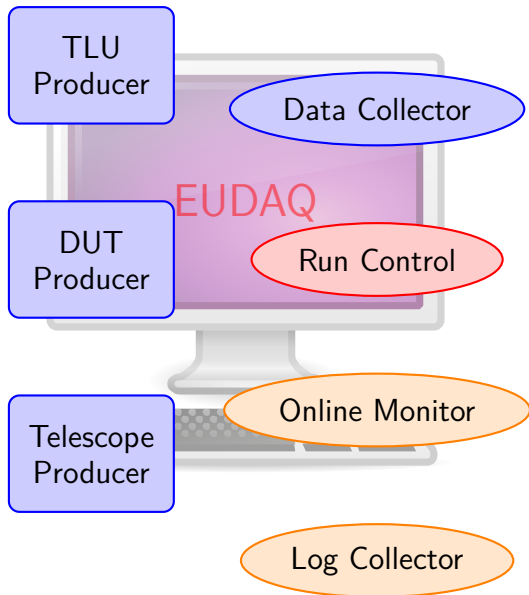
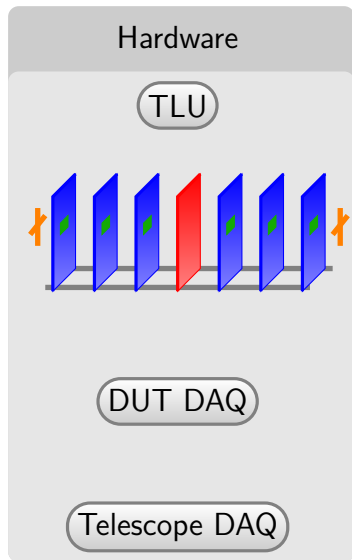


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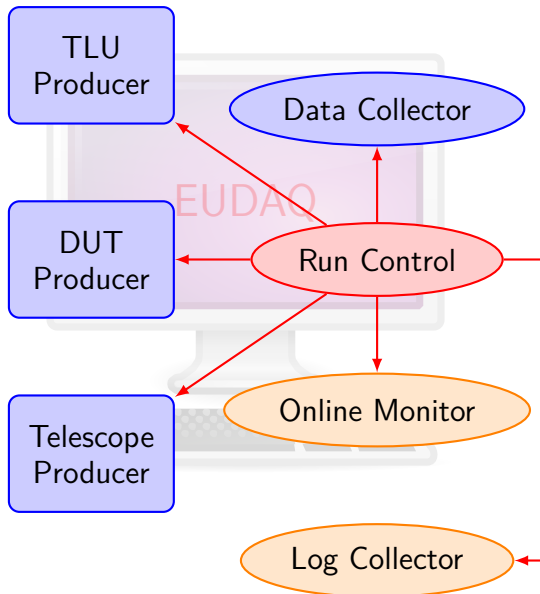
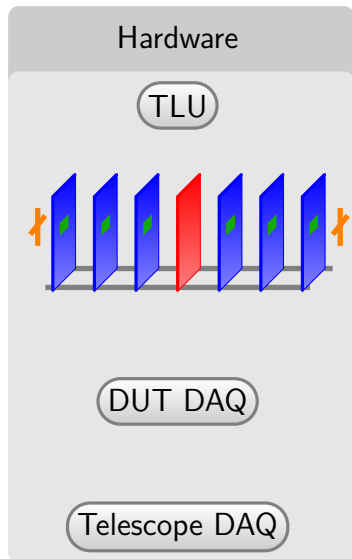
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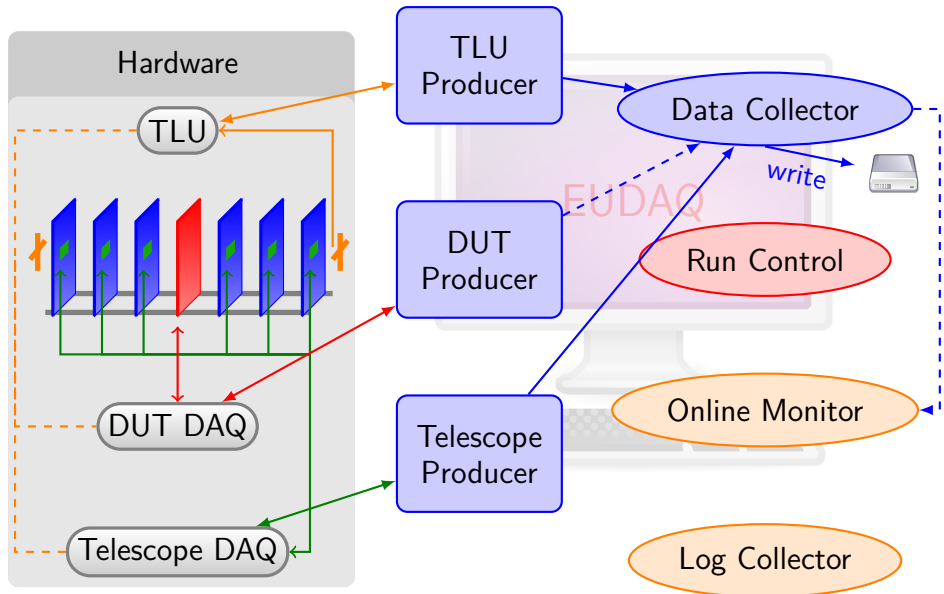
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