



# FRAS Motorized Axes Control System

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Review of HL-LHC Alignment and Internal Metrology (WP15.4)

# Outline

- The control system requirements
- Solution proposed: SAMbuCa
- Development Timeline
- Conclusions

# FRAS Motorized axes IP5 summary

Racks location	Racks names	Cable length up to the sensors / actuators (m)	Axes type	Axes number	Axes` groups to be synchronized
UL557	GYPOS_01 ÷ GYPOS_04	100	Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	60	30 +30
			Load cells(TBC)	36 ÷ 60	0
			Position sensors (TBC)	60	0
UR55	GYPOS_01_R ÷ GYPOS_06_R	300	Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	71	24+16+10+10+10
			Load cells(TBC)	31	0
			Position sensors (TBC)	31	0
UR55	GYPOS_01_L ÷ GYPOS_06_L	300	Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	71	24+16+10+10+10
			Load cells(TBC)	31	0
			Position sensors (TBC)	31	0

# FRAS Motorized axes IP1 summary

Racks location	Racks names	Cable length up to the sensors / actuators (m)	Axes type	Axes number	Axes` groups to be synchronized
UR15	GYPOS_01 ÷ GYPOS_04	100	Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	60	30 +30
			Load cells(TBC)	36 ÷ 60	0
			Position sensors (TBC)	60	0
US15	GYPOS_01_R ÷ GYPOS_06_R	300	Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	71	24+16+10+10+10
			Load cells(TBC)	31	0
			Position sensors (TBC)	31	0
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# FRAS Motorized axes summary

Axes type	Total Axes number
Motion (stepping motor + resolver)	400
Load cells (TBC)	194 ÷ 244
Position sensors (TBC)	244
Limits switches	1044

# Control System Requirements

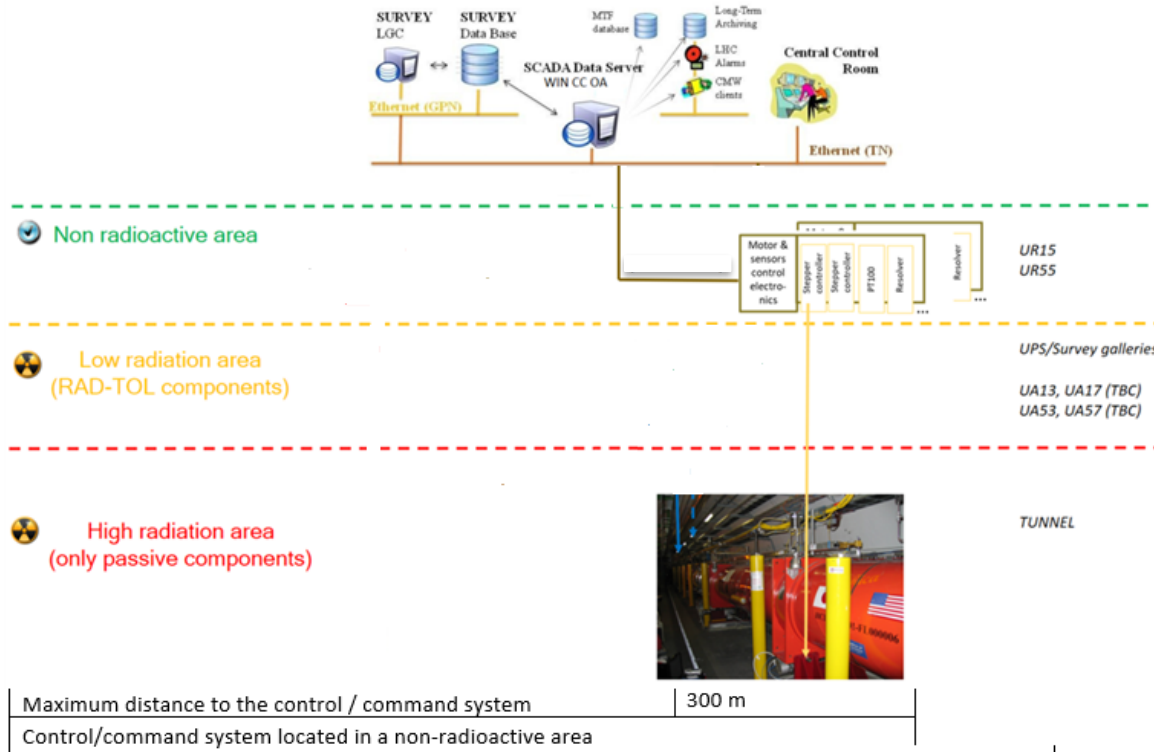
Sensors / Actuators	
Sensors / Actuators Total Integrated Dose (TID)	< 2 MGray
Sensors / Actuators cable length from the electronics	300 m
Maintenance	free
Life time	Min 10 years
Operation time	86 h

# Control System Requirements

## Control system architecture & components

Axes positioning resolution	few $\mu\text{m}$
Axes motion synchronization	1s per axes` groups (system can achieve 1 ms)
Motion start trigger	Software trigger
Modularity	Architecture scalable with number and axes` groups position in the racks
Flexibility	Conditioning electronics proper designed for the project actuators / sensors
Fields I/O connectivity	High Density / High robustness to avoid false contacts and oxidation
Maintainability	Mean Time To Repair < 10min
Long term investment	Full control of hw and sw for future upgrades / improvements

# Control system architecture





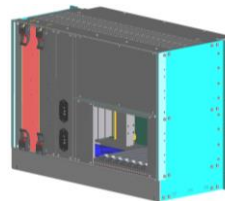
# Low-level control: SAMbuCa (Sensors Acquisition & Motion Control system)

Complete In-house solution (i.e. hw and sw)

Architecture :

- PXIe Front-ends in High Availability chassis

*PXIe chosen as successor of the PXI standard  
that is getting obsolete - Platform fully  
standardized at CERN with BE-CO (i.e. Cent  
OS 7 and C++)*



- a PXIe FPGA Carrier and a set of FMC cards to cover the interfacing requirements with the field sensors and actuators
- EN-SMM step driver (long cables, open/closed loop)
- Focus on connection reliability and re-configurability

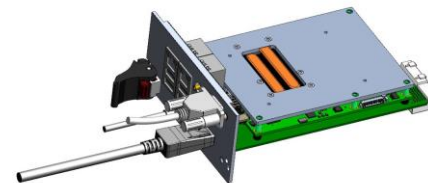
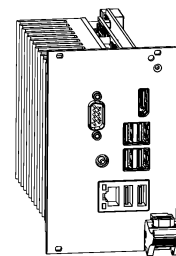


**Same control system solution to be adopted for the LHC  
Collimators low level control upgrade (HL-LHC –  
Collimation System International Review Feb2019)**

# Low-level control: SAMbuCa

## (Sensors Acquisition & Motion Control system)

- PXIe Controller
  - Based on COM-Express CPU modules
  - Computing power chosen according to user needs
- Will run Be/CO Linux and FESA class
- Software framework and Linux drivers to configure and control the peripheral cards
- Collaboration with BE/CO to ensure the compatibility with their ecosystem– Open Hardware
- Design in progress – Outsourced to external company

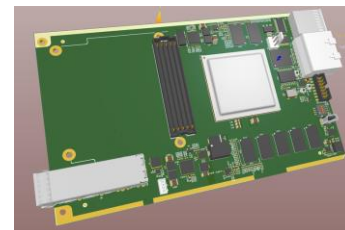
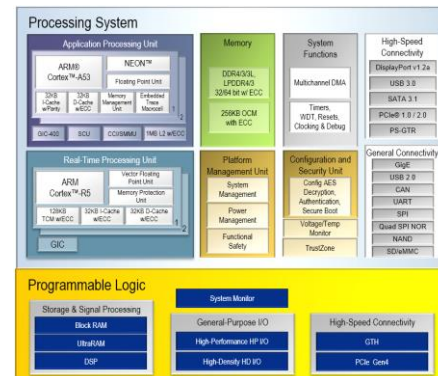


# Low-level control: SAMbuCa (Sensors Acquisition & Motion Control system)

## ■ PXIe FMC Carrier

- Based on Xilinx Zynq Ultrascale+
- PCIe Gen2x4
- 4GB DDR4 memory with ECC for processor
- 2GB DDR4 memory for programmable logic
- 64GB eMMC flash
- Remotely reconfigurable from PXIe controller
- White-Rabbit support for synchronization
- HPC FMC connector fully wired to FPGA
- Board layout in progress, prototype expected by Q4 2019

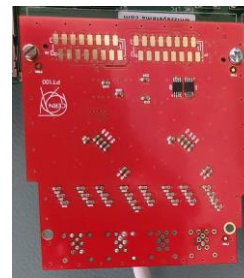
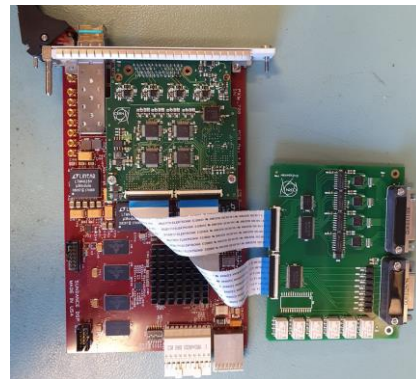
- Control algorithms executed either by ARM cores or programmable logic



# Low-level control: SAMbuCa (Sensors Acquisition & Motion Control system)

## ■ Set of FMC cards

- 8-ch LVDT/Resolver/Potentiometer analog front-end
- 12-ch Thermocouple/PT100
- Digital IOs (limit switch, interlock, motor driver, ...)
- Strain gauge
- Force sensor
- Optical fiber card to connect an expansion chassis (CompactPCI serial from BE/CO)



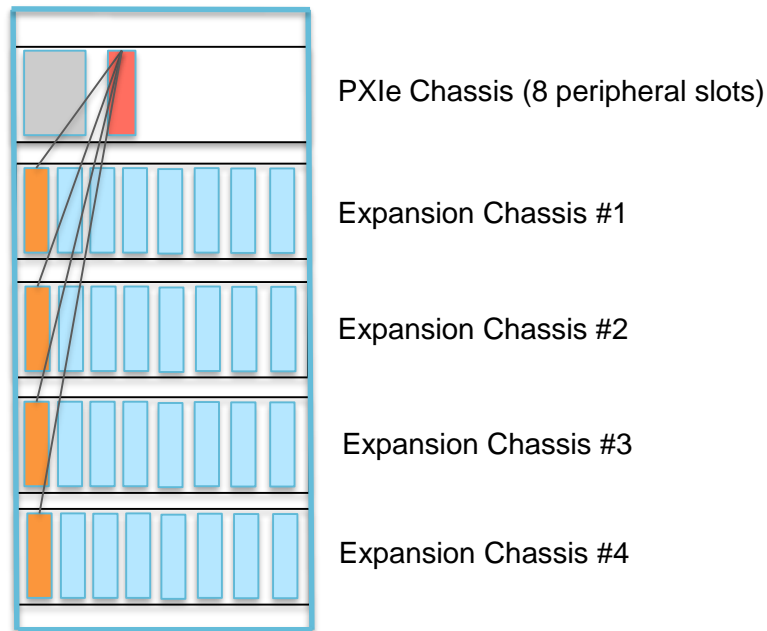
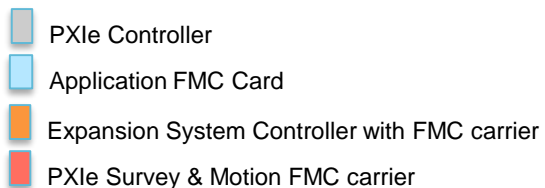
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- Expansion chassis with DIOT (WP18 HL-LHC)
  - <https://wikis.cern.ch/display/DIOT/Distributed+IO+Tier+chassis>
  - Possibility to connect up to 4x chassis to PXIe FMC carrier
  - Can be an option for slow application

# Low-level control: SAMbuCa (Sensors Acquisition & Motion Control system)

- Rack layout example
  - 4 expansion chassis connected to PXle FMC carrier via optical links



# Development Timeline

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- Proof of concept 2020
- FRAS control system validation on string tests
- Mass production and validation 2022-2023
- Operational software 2024
- Deployment and commissioning 2025-2026

# Conclusions

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- Design study shared with LHC collimator control system
- Building blocks profit of BE/CO developments foreseen in WP18 HL-LHC (expansion chassis)
- SAMBUCA will ensure with respect to commercial solutions
  - Full control on hardware and software components
  - High-availability ensured by 15-years past experience on motion control for critical missions (e.g. LHC collimator control system)





***Thank you***

