



# LS2 upgrades: ITS – Norwegian (Bergen) activities

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# Projects

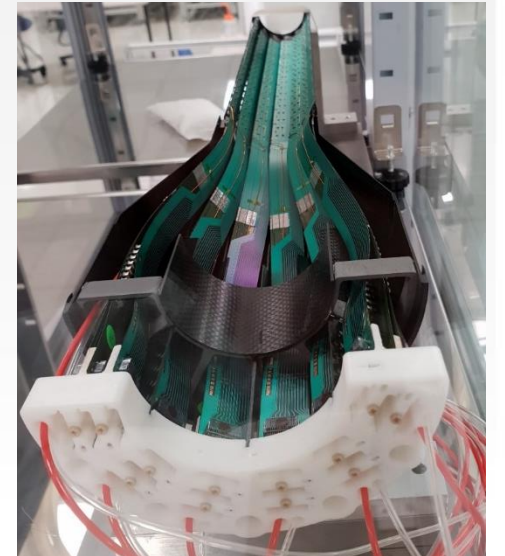
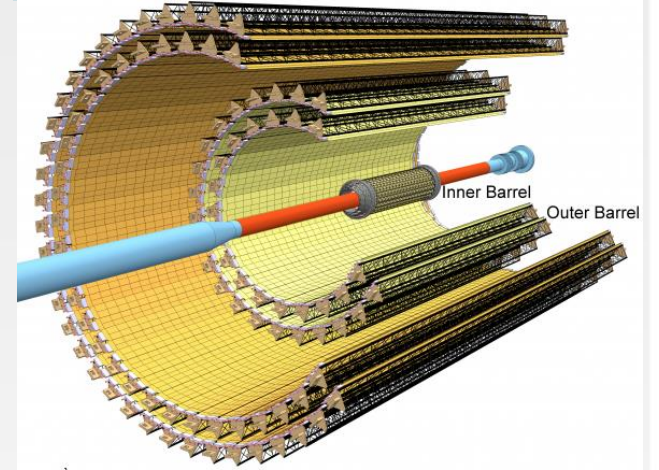
- Primary activity:
  - Working group 10 - development of readout electronics and related software
- Other activities:
  - Working group 5 & 6 – ALPIDE testing and HIC/stave testing
  - Commissioning





# ALICE Inner Tracking System (ITS)

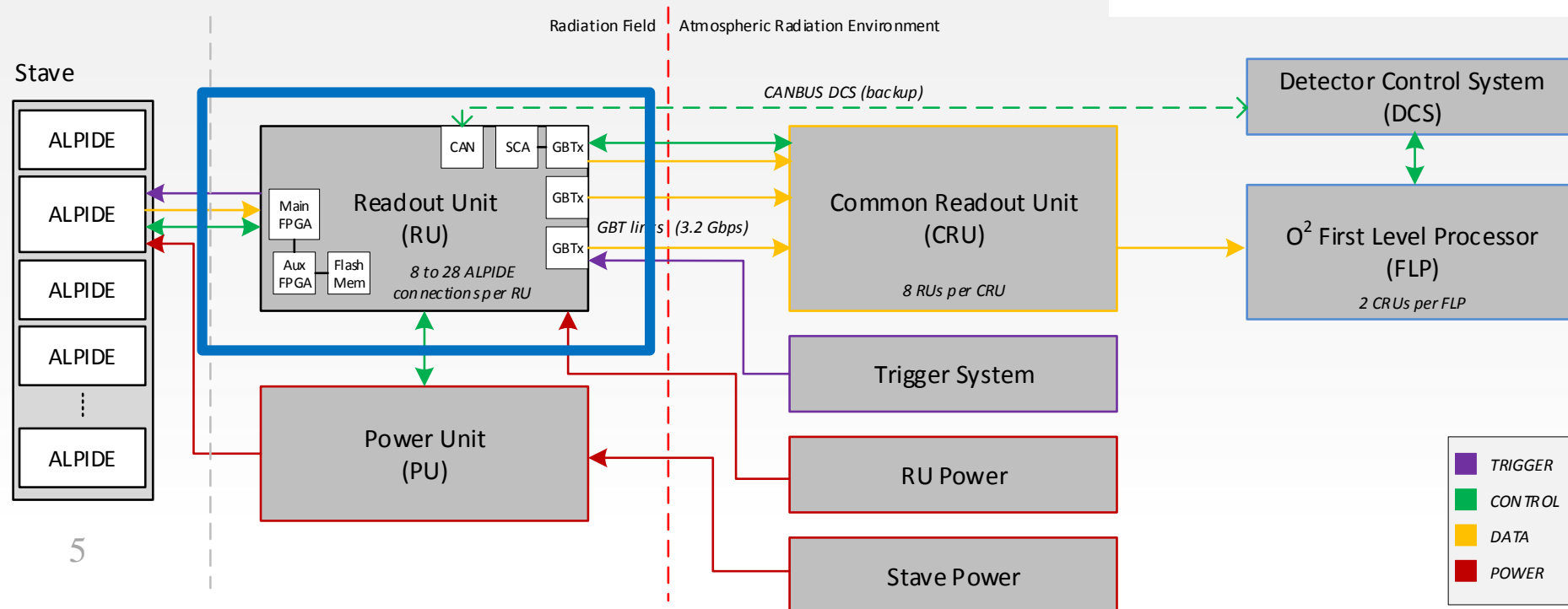
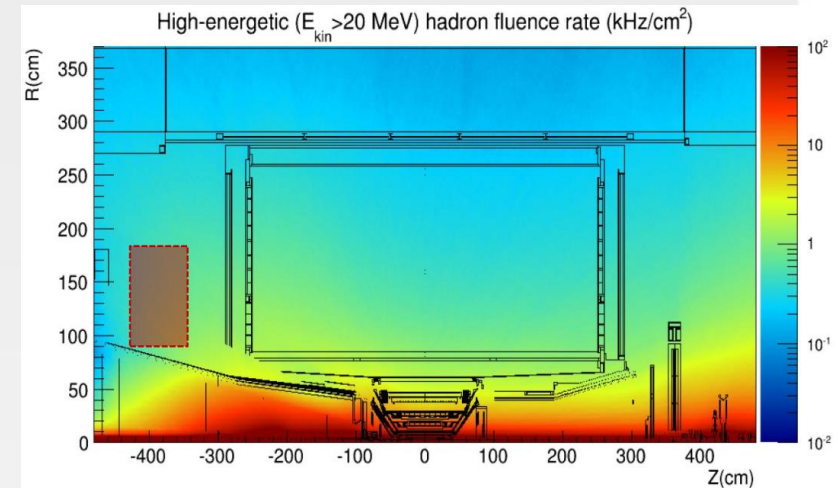
- Pixel detector - 12.5 Gpixel camera ( $\sim 10 \text{ m}^2$ )
  - 7 layers – 24 142 ALPIDEs
  - 192 Staves with 9 to 196 ALPIDEs depending on layer
- ALPIDE CMOS MAPS sensor chip
  - 512x1024 pixels –  $30 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2$
  - Digital periphery for data offloading and configuration
  - 1.2 Gbps high speed link
  - Data compression algorithms implemented



# Readout Electronics in the Radiation Environment

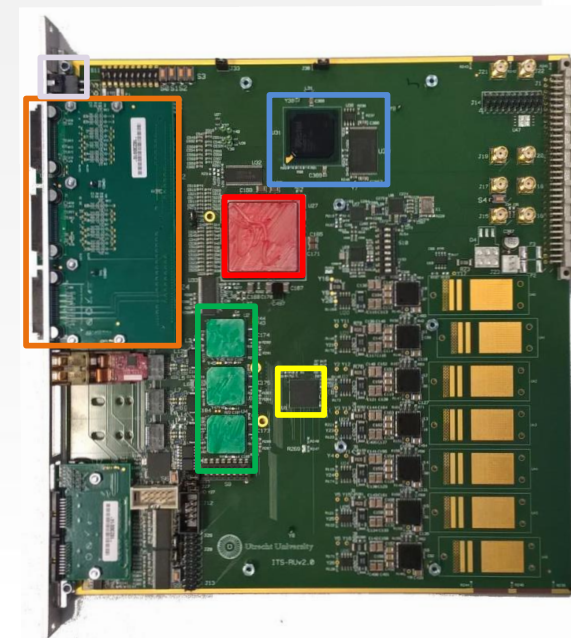
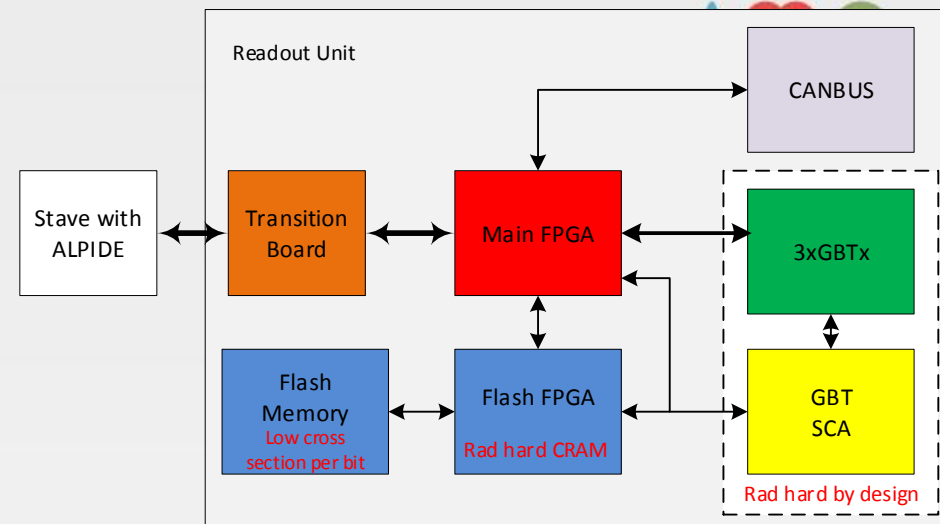


- 192 Staves – 192 Readout Units.
- Installed in racks ~3 meters from the interaction point
- High Energy Hadron flux  $\phi_{E_{kin} > 20 MeV} \approx 1 kHz/cm^2$ 
  - Will cause single event upsets in memory elements!
- Dose effects not considered to be a problem



# Readout Unit

- Xilinx Ultrascale XUv40
  - Main FPGA
  - Data flow (ALPIDE -> XU -> GBTx -> CRU)
  - Control of ALPIDEs (GBTx/CANbus)
  - Configuration elements: SRAM based
    - Must be protected against single event upsets in configuration memory
- Microsemi proASIC3L 600
  - Support FPGA
  - Initial configuration & scrubbing of Xilinx Ultrascale
  - Configuration elements: flash based
    - Considered to be immune to single event effects
- Samsung Flash Memory K9KAG08U0M
  - 8Gb Flash Memory – 2 internal ICs – common interface
  - Irradiation campaigns have shown a (low) susceptibility towards SEUs





# Requirements for External Scrubber

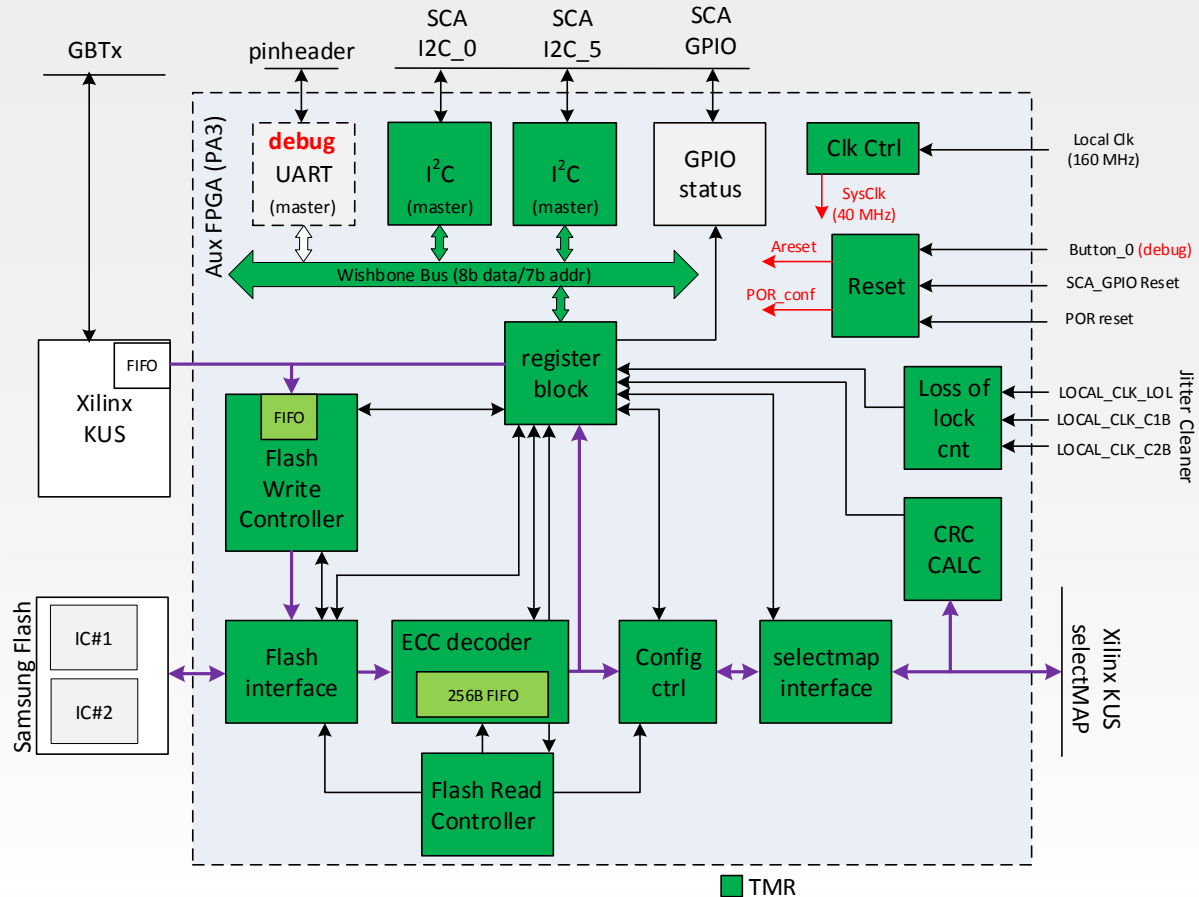
- Initial configuration of Xilinx Ultrascale (XU - main fpga) using configuration stored in on-board flash memory, using SelectMAP bus
- Scrubbing of XU configuration Memory (using SelectMAP bus)
- Additional requirements:
  - Scrubbing and initial configuration must be «fast enough»
    - Scrubbing cycles should have a significantly higher frequency than SEU rate, rule of thumb: 10x ([xapp216\\*](#))
    - Worst case SEU rate: ~0.0006 SEU/s per Readout Unit. (450/h for all 192 RUs)
  - Radiation tolerant
  - Efficient control interface
    - Two I<sup>2</sup>C interfaces are available in Hardware
  - Efficient upload of files
- Commissioning feature:
  - Fault injection implemented in HW to test radiation tolerance of Xilinx design

\*[https://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/application\\_notes/xapp216.pdf](https://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/application_notes/xapp216.pdf)





# External Scrubber Design



## Key numbers:

- Initial config : ~2s
- Scrubbing : ~1.7s
- Writing to flash memory done via scripts
  - I<sup>2</sup>C: ~230 kbps
  - SWT (Xilinx FIFO): ~4 mbps
- Resource utilization
  - Logic cells: 79%
  - RAM: 4 of 24

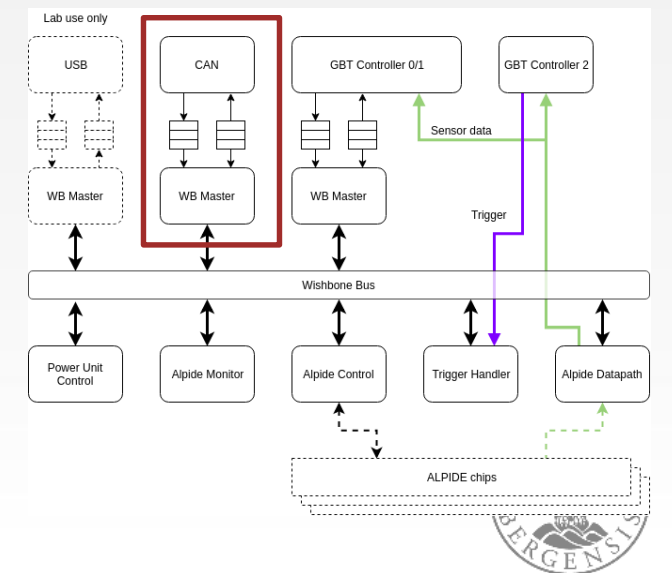
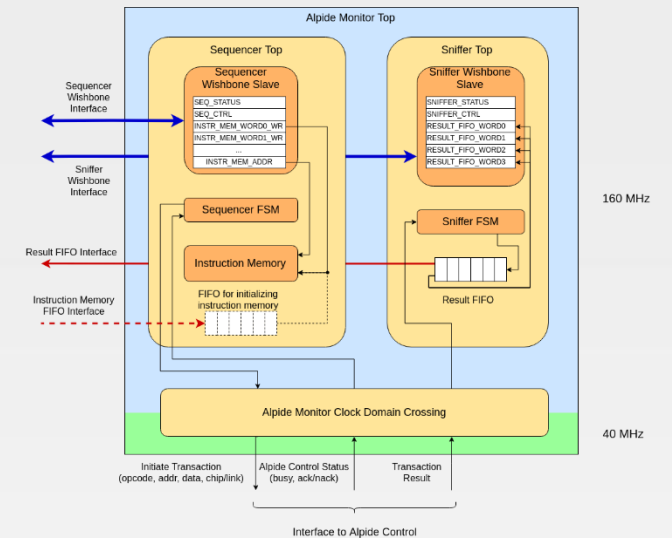






# Xilinx Design components

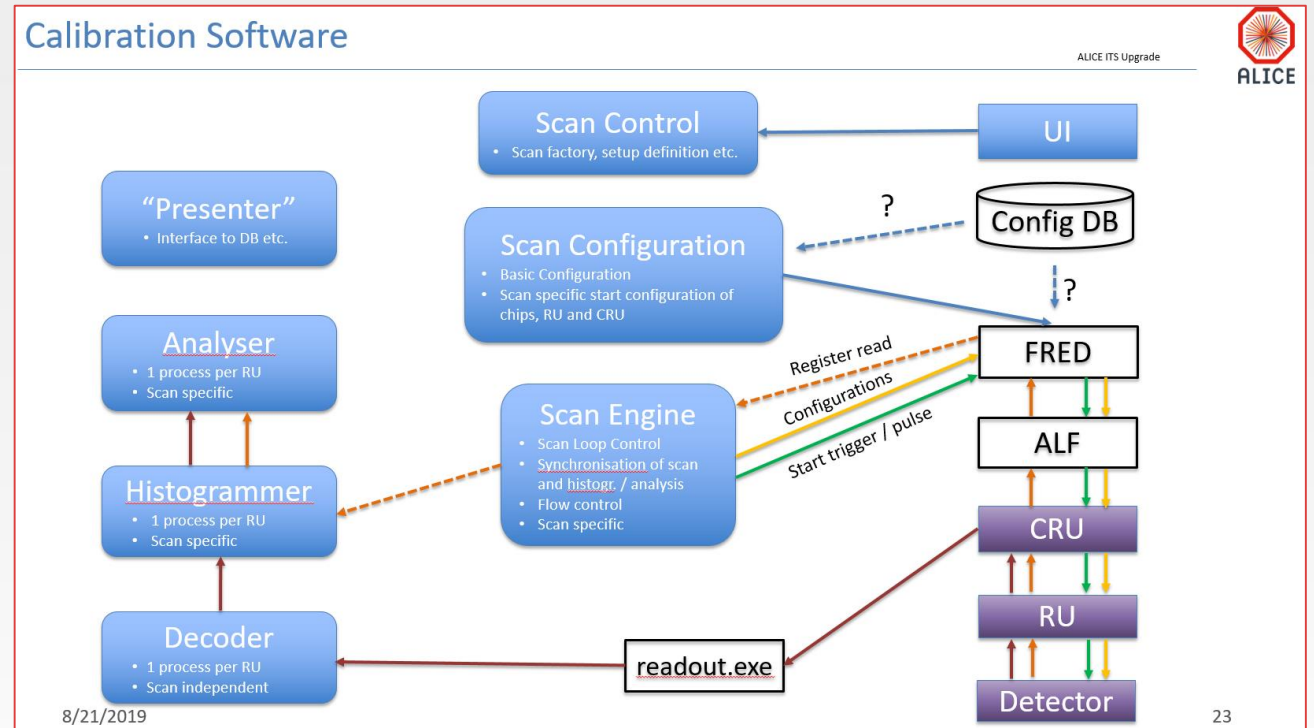
- ALPIDE Monitor Module
  - Sequencer/result memory for ALPIDE communication
  - Synchronized to send commands only in abort gaps
- CANbus Interface
  - Backup interface to RU/ALPIDEs if GBT-link is down.
- Wishbone to FIFO interface for fast uploading of files to Flash





# Calibration Software

- Just involved in this project.
- Idea is to integrate/rewrite existing calibration tools (threshold scan etc) in deployed system
- These should be run during i.e. MDs to get information about the state of the detector (dead/noisy pixels etc).



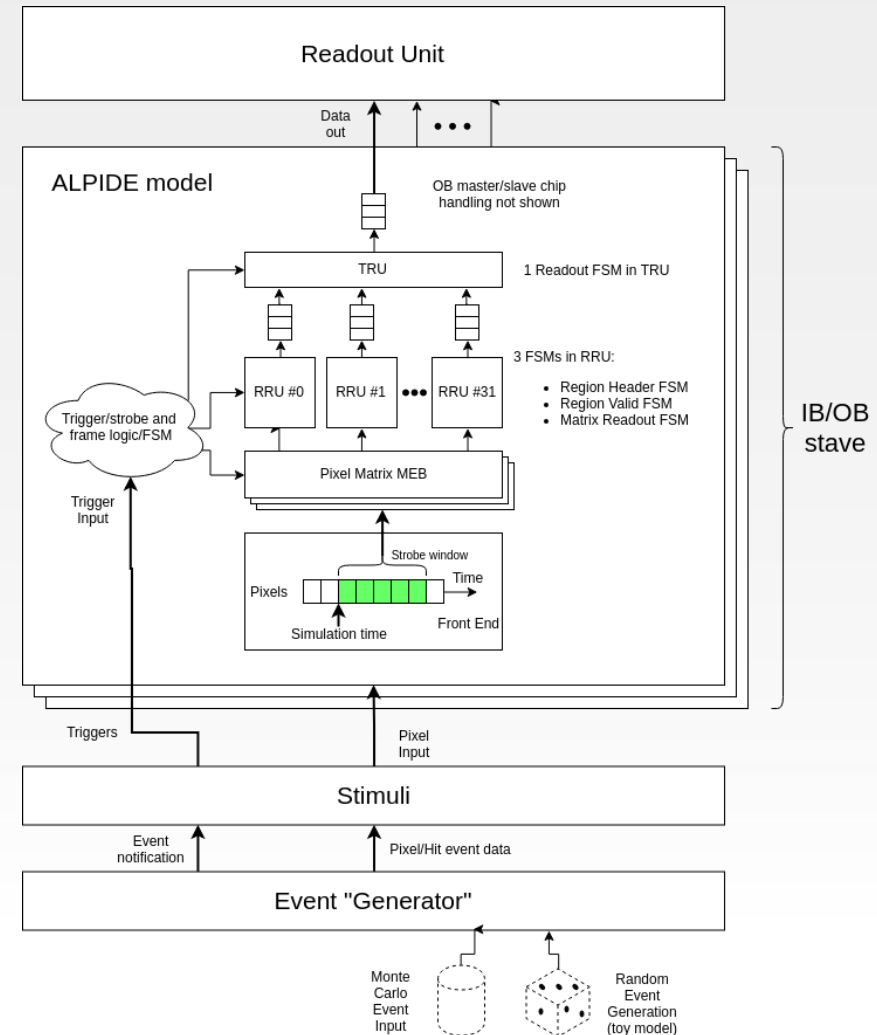
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# ITS System Simulations

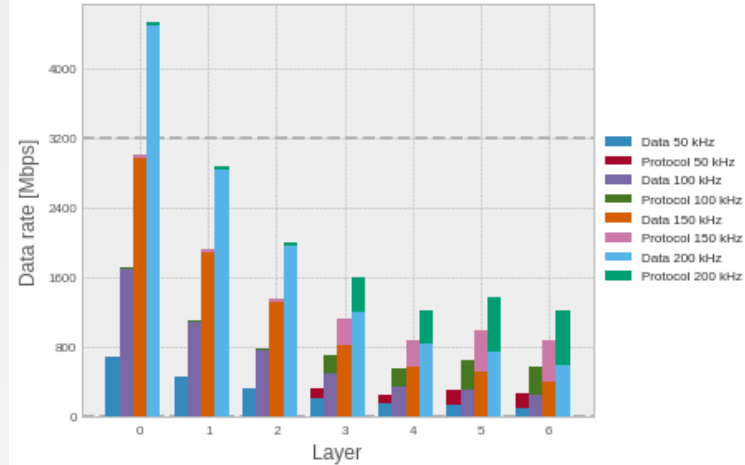
- Simulation model written in C++/SystemC
- Abstract model of ALPIDE, relatively accurate model of readout FSMs/logic
- Can simulate ITS/ALPIDE under various conditions
- Has also been used for:
  - pCT
  - FoCAL



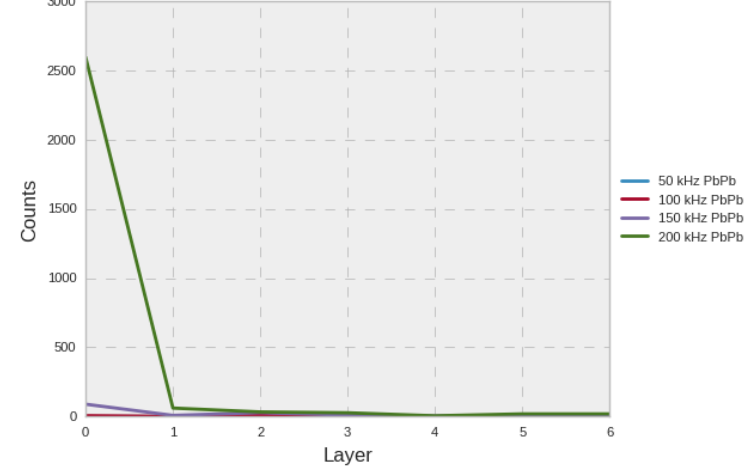


# Simulation results – PbPb

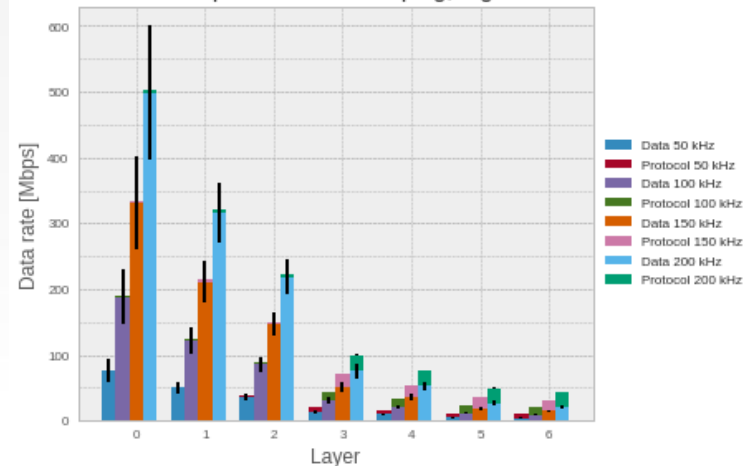
Data rate per stave/RU - 5 us shaping, trig. mode



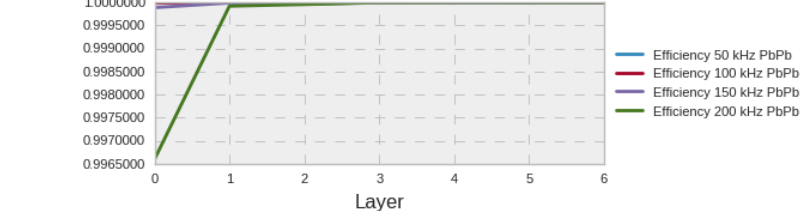
Busy violation count (1 stave per layer) - 5 us shaping, trig. mode



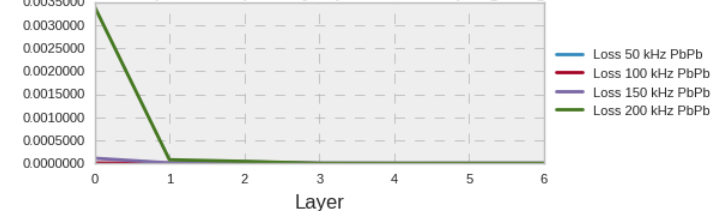
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Frame Readout Efficiency (1 stave per layer) - 5 us shaping, trig. mode



Frame Loss (1 stave per layer) - 5 us shaping, trig. mode



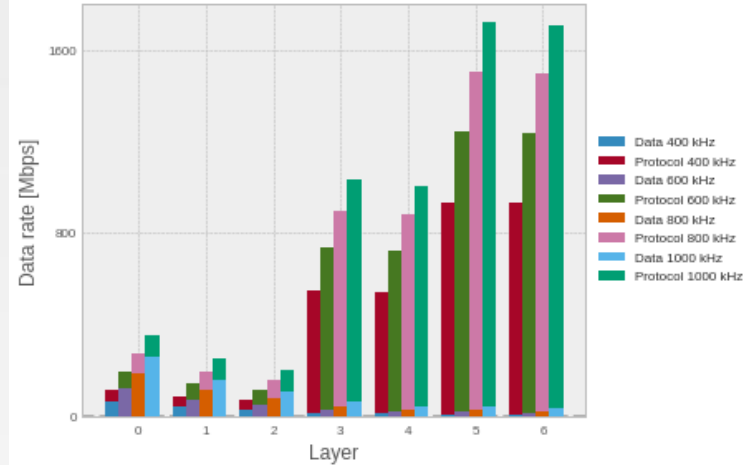
- Triggered mode
- 100k events simulated
- MC event input (generated with AliRoot)
- (Seems a bit too optimistic currently.. Will have to check events/re-run simulations)



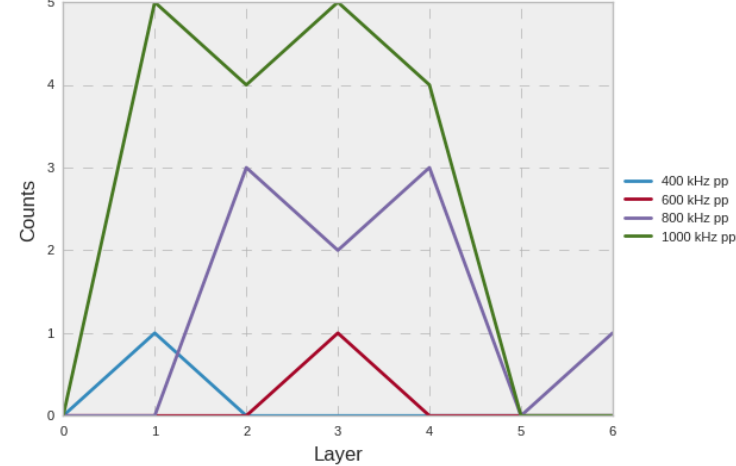


# Simulation results – pp

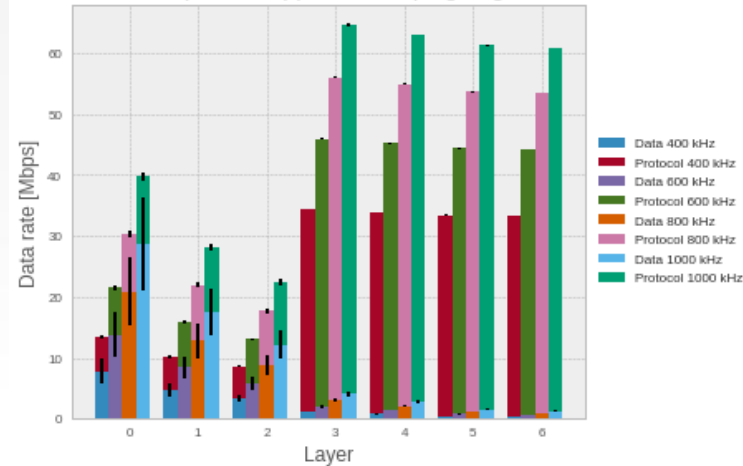
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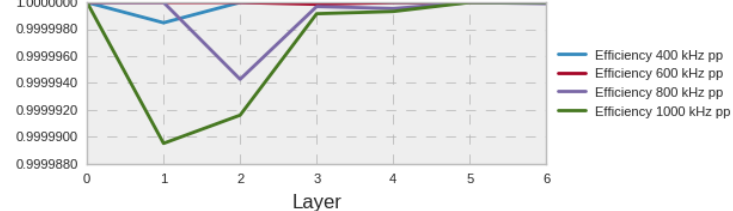
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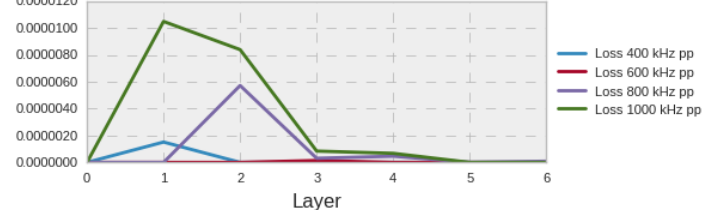
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- 100k events simulated
- MC event input (generated with AliRoot (Pythia))
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# Where do we go from here?

## A next-generation LHC heavy-ion experiment

*List of authors in appendix*

### Abstract

The present document discusses plans for a compact, next-generation multi-purpose detector at the LHC as a follow-up to the present ALICE experiment. The aim is to build a nearly massless barrel detector consisting of truly cylindrical layers based on curved wafer-scale ultra-thin silicon sensors with MAPS technology, featuring an unprecedented low material budget of  $0.05\% X_0$  per layer, with the innermost layers possibly positioned inside the beam pipe. In addition to superior tracking and vertexing capabilities over a wide momentum range down to a few tens of  $\text{MeV}/c$ , the detector will provide particle identification via time-of-flight determination with about 20 ps resolution. In addition, electron and photon identification will be performed in a separate shower detector. The proposed detector is conceived for studies of pp, pA and AA collisions at luminosities a factor of 20 to 50 times higher than possible with the upgraded ALICE detector, enabling a rich physics program ranging from measurements with electromagnetic probes at ultra-low transverse momenta to precision physics in the charm and beauty sector.

Truly cylindrical vertex detector

