

AIDA-2020 WP5: Trigger(/timing/tagging) Logic Unit

After AIDA-2020 ?

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- New publication
 - <https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/14/09/p09019> “The AIDA-2020 TLU: a flexible trigger logic unit for test beam facilities” , JINST
- Open Hardware project “AIDA-2020 TLU”
 - <https://ohwr.org/project/fmc-mtlu>
 - Hardware design files
 - Firmware source code
 - User manual



- New hardware version
 - Minor bug fixes (saves effort hand-patching)
 - Three PCBs produced.
 - Delivery due 29 April
 - Only basic test facilities available (in a domestic setting)
 - Verify design for production run
 - See Lennart Huth



- Bug fixes/Enhancements waiting testing:
 - Firmware took trailing (not leading) edge of negative going pulses
 - Active edge now selectable
 - Needs extra register in EUDAQ
 - Firmware only recorded 5-bits of fine-grained (1.28GHz) time-stamp
 - Wrap-around of 25ns master clock possible.
 - Now records 8-bits of fine-grained time-stamp. Should allow wrap-around to be resolved
 - Bugs found by Jens Kroger
 - Hopefully Bug-fixes will be tested soon
- Planned enhancement:
 - Each TLU has a unique ID chip and EEPROM. Intended to provide MAC address and storage for IP address.
 - Firmware to add a soft-core microprocessor to set IP address (interaction by USB UART) half written then work halted. Hope to complete work this year.
- Possible enhancement – use external RAM to increase time-stamp/trigger-information buffer depth (4096 → 4M)
 - Does anybody want this?



- Aim: (tens of) Picosecond Timing
 - EUDET TLU – Precision ~ 100ns
 - AIDA/AIDA-2020 – Precision ~ 1ns
- Use external TDC chip
 - PicoTDC ?
- ADC for time-walk correction?
- ~ 8 inputs



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- ≥ 4 “DUT Interfaces

Move away from HDMI \rightarrow Display Port