Characterisation of the Time of Arrival Sensor for the High-Granularity-endcap-Calorimeter

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Introduction to HGCal a next-gen imaging Calorimeter



Why HGCAL

- HI-Lumi LHC upgrade will see an order of magnitude more pileup
- Current CMS endcaps are reaching their end of life
- High radiation environment in the endcaps requires radiation hard sensor material
 - Silicon Sensors for high radiation environment
 - Scintillators used in low occupancy areas
- very high pixel density and high resolution time of Arrival measurement allow for an 'Image' of the electromagnetic and Hadronic showers even at high fluences
- High granularity allows current level of physics performance at the interaction rates of the HL-LHC

Detector-Architecture

- Sampling Calorimeter
 - Electromagnetic and Hadronic section
- 2 Sensor Types:
 - Silicon (Diode) (green)
 - Scintillator on SiPM (blue)
- 6M channels on ~620 m^2 silicon
- 270K channels on ~ 370 m^2 of scintillator area
- High precision timing information for pileup mitigation
- Imaging Calorimeter



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Detektor Architecture

- Module consists of Absorber Baseplate (Copper/Tungsten)
- Large 8' silicon sensor with

HGCROC Silicon Kapton Baseplate (e.g. Cu/W)

PCB





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- ROC carries channel wise analog front end and latency buffer









Simulation of TDC response **Change of arrival time**



Simulation of TDC response Change of the ToA threshold







System Tests

- Hexacontroller used to gather Data from the modules during Beamtest/Lab tests
- Based on ZYNQ-SoM with custom firmware to interface with the ROCs
- Software interfaces with the firmware to configure ROCs and collect data





Making System Configuration Consistent

- Configuration was done using custom scripts for every procedure that was to be run
- Debugging was time consuming and often required expert knowledge
- Configuration integrity could not be guaranteed by system alone
- The Datenraffinerie was designed to provide a consistent user interface for quick and easy definition of measurement and analysis procedures

Datenraffinerie Goal

- with user-adjustable granularity.
- and user specifiable configuration parameters. Can split single file into multiple files to make reading easier.
- Make testing more consistent

Samples the desired region of the system phase space, using a regular grid

Produces a Single output file (pandas DataFrame compatible) containing data



The Beam Test

- Acquired large amount of ToA data
- Used the Datenraffinerie to build calibration procedure for the ToA
- Tested Datenraffinerie but found bug in the configuration of the ROCs not seen previously (investigating)
- Possibility for another beam test in early November



On-line Monitoring

- Used an InfluxDB/Grafana stack to visualise environmental Information
- Integrated Trigger rate measurement during latest beam test
- Used monitoring to cross check data taking (was able to verify bug in the Datenraffinerie using this)





Next Steps

- Analyse the ToA data to ultimately extract ToA resolution
- Improve understanding of the ToA using the acquired Data
- Possibly prepare for upcoming beam test in November
 - Find bug in the Datenraffinerie and fix it -> use the Datenraffinerie to take data
 - Improve flow for Shifters during operation
 - Improve data quality monitoring for the ToA