Common Merger Module, adapter modules and test cards: status & test plans

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CMM: Introduction

- CMM merges data from CPMs and JEMs:
 - e/γ and t hit counts
 - jet counts
 - jet energy sums
- Most data processing done within 2 FPGAs (XCV1000E)
- Flash memories contain all required FPGA configuration files
- One CMM has been assembled.
- Error in Schematic prevents *auto*-config. of Crate FPGA:
 - OK for testing (JTAG config.) but will rework design before producing any more.
- Under test since spring.
- Test team: Panagiotis, Adam, Ian.





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• what else to sav here?

Test Equipment

- Equipment:
 - CMM
 - Processor backplane
 - DSS
 - GIOs to provide LVDS I/O
 - CPM emulator
 - RTM
- CMM, GIOs, CPM emulator & RTM were all being tested for first time.
- CPM emulator:
 - provided by Richard
 - takes LVDS signals from GIO Tx & drives LVCMOS \rightarrow backplane \rightarrow CMM
 - works OK.
- Adam will speak about GIOs.
- RTM & CMM coming up....





Rear Transition Module (RTM)

- Signals between Crate- & System-CMMs as differential LVDS on SCSI-3 cables.
- Signals pass to/from CMM, through backplane:



- RTM: passive module, maps signals from backplane pins to 3 SCSI-3 connectors.
- Fixed to back of crate using 2 horizontal, aluminium bars with guide slots.
- Four RTMs assembled July '02.
- One RTM tested: CMM ↔ RTM ↔ DSS GIO: all channels work.



CMM tests: Real Time Path



- CMM versions tested: CP-System & CP-Crate
- Tested complete functional path through module
- Tested all IO channels to/from RTM, CPM & CTP (not concurrently)
- Used test patterns designed to expose functional & timing errors
- Used dedicated test firmware to provide extra data sources where necessary



• No soak tests (yet).

CMM tests: Readout Path

- Testing Readout Path is underway
- No TTC system available:
 - use Signal Generator to supply L1As on demand via TTC socket.
- All Readout Control signals on CMM examined via oscilloscope & chipscope: look good.
- *But* G-Link doesn't lock to G-Link on DSS.
- Investigating....





FPGA Configuration

- Previously used JTAG to programme FPGAs.
- Now testing auto-config. logic....

Done:

- read & write data VME \leftrightarrow FIFO
- load data FIFO \rightarrow Flash
- read data VME \leftarrow Flash
- erase Flash from VME
- load data Stag Programmer \rightarrow Flash
- programme Flash \rightarrow FPGA

To do:

- programme VME \rightarrow Flash \rightarrow FPGA
 - problems fitting single CPLD design that can control all steps.
 - lacking front-end software
- load all 3 (System) Flash memories & test GeoAddr decoding



Future Plans

- Finish commissioning auto-configuration logic.
- Finish testing Readout Logic.
 - transfer data to DSS GIO Rx & check format is correct.
- Test with TTC.
- Aim: finish these tests by end of December.
- Start work on next CMM design:
- correct bugs found with current design
 - Crate FPGA auto-config
- Possibly upgrade VME interface & Config. Control CPLDs
- Aim: next CMMs ready for slice tests end of March '03.



Summary

- RTM tested & working.
- CMM testing:
 - Finished testing real-time path:
 - all I/O works;
 - complete slice through CP-merging hardware works (all possible paths).
 - Making progress testing CMM readout logic.
 - Making good progress commissioning FPGA-configuration logic.
 - Problems reworking designs in CPLDs:
 - VME Interface
 - FPGA Config. Control
 - may require device upgrade in next design iteration
- Plan to have next iteration of CMMs ready for slice tests in April.

