

Testing electronics @ Trento

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Working/Planning document

Introduction/disclaimer

- Still gathering information
- Not yet a plan → collect input → second round in one or two weeks (one month before)
- Many different devices → review & agree on tests to be done

What to irradiate / when

- ALCOR
- LDO LTM4709
- AtTiny417
- SiLab Si3526
- AMD AUX15P

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- @Trento we managed for ALCOR easily fluxes of $5 \cdot 10^8$ p/cm²s (I=50 nA E=100 MeV per 600 ns)
- @100 MeV: TID ≈ 10 rad / 10^8 p/cm²
- For some irradiation better to stay at lower fluxes (see later in this presentation)

How much radiation? (1)

Levels expected at dRICH (new estimates, after some fixes)

Slide from RDO PDR (June)

other requirements: radiation, power



radiation tolerance:

The dRICH-PDU position is a moderately radiation hostile environment

(ref data: https://wiki.bnl.gov/EPIC/index.php?title=Radiation_Doses data at 1st March)

Key values (see backup: [hadrons](#), [TID](#) + E. Aschenauer presentation today) extracted from 3D maps at dRICH-PDU positions

$$\Phi (\text{p+n} > 20 \text{ MeV}) = 200 \text{ Hz/cm}^2$$

$$\text{TID} \cong 650 \text{ rad (for } 1000 \text{ fb}^{-1}\text{)} < 1 \text{ krad}$$

note these values include a safety factor 5

- mechanisms of protection against SEU in particular must be in place in addition to TMR in key firmware registers
- radiation dose is not very high, basic protection against SEL must be however in place

power management:

- robust on board prevention of SEL (and in general overcurrent) must be implemented: current monitor / etc.
- possibility to act as power manager (via additional pins on ALCORbus) also on FEB cards
- PDU will require cooling, choice of components to curb power consumption is an obvious requirement

Now we need to add a **3.65 factor** or keep them as they are without safety factors

How much radiation? (2)

650 rad * 3.65 = 2.3 krad it is still a factor 5 → 25 krad is a factor 50 safety

200 Hz/cm² * 3.65 = 700 Hz/cm² → 700 Hz/cm² has still a factor 5

$$\text{Rate of SEU} = \Phi \sigma B N$$

Φ = flux ($E_h > 20$ MeV) [cm⁻²s⁻¹]

σ = cross section [cm²/bit]

B = exposed bits in the DUT

N = total # of devices in the dRICH

Device	Bits	N	R(10-15)	MTBF [10-15]	R(10-16)	MTBF (s) [10-16]
AtTiny417	2.80E+04	1242	2.43E-05	4.11E+04	2.43E-06	4.11E+05
SiLab	1.02E+03	1242	8.90E-07	1.12E+06	8.90E-08	1.12E+07
CRAM AUX15P	4.00E+07	1242	3.48E-02	2.88E+01	3.48E-03	2.88E+02
RAM AUX15P	2.00E+06	1242	1.74E-03	5.75E+02	1.74E-04	5.75E+03

MTBF is just the inverse of the Rate

If we can, set limits 95% C.L. at 10⁻¹⁶ for SiLab

For AtTiny also likely (using less than 4kB for the actual program)

How much radiation? (3)

- For SEU we have cross section $O(10^{15}-10^{16} \text{ cm}^2/\text{bit})$ for RAM o CRAM
- So in principle DUT should get integrated fluxes $O(10^{15}-10^{16})/\text{cm}^2 / [\text{monitored bits}]$ to see something
- With protons @100 MeV TID is 9.38 rad every 10^8 p/cm^2 on the DUT

So 25 krad are reached with $2.6 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ p/cm}^2$ integrated over DUT

Dobbiamo evitare di integrare troppo in fretta una TID troppo grande che puo' uccidere il device o la sua riprogrammabilita'. Ci interessano soprattutto SEU (e SEL) dato che la TID attesa al dRICH invece e' bassa e facilmente la superiamo

We can however set 95% C.L. in case of zero events

$$\sigma (95\% \text{ c.l.}) = 2.99 / (\Phi_{\text{irr}} * B)$$

Device	Bits	Firr	C.L (95%)
AtTiny417	2.80E+04	1.00E+12	1.07E-16
SiLab	1.02E+03	5.00E+12	5.84E-16

Devices and TIFPA beam

DUT	Area (cm ²)
ALCOR	0.187
LDO LTM4709 (6x12 mm)	0.72 → 0.36 (50%)
Si3526 (6x6 mm)	0.36 → ?
AtTiny417 (4x4 mm)	0.16 → ?
AUX15P (19x19 mm)	3.61 → 2.2 (62%)

- Difficult to find die dimension information, still chasing...
- **Which die/package factor should we use?**
- With a 1 nA (recommended min.) intensity at TIFPA is $1.2 \cdot 10^7$ p/s. Fluence and flux depends on device area if the die dimension exceeds the beam spot
- We normally use 100 MeV with $\sigma_{x/y} = 5$ mm, it is it a problem for AUX15P? Use of 70 MeV would enlarge beam and reduce intensity by a factor 3.
- Another possibility is to move farer from the isocenter

TIFPA beam

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0168900217306654>

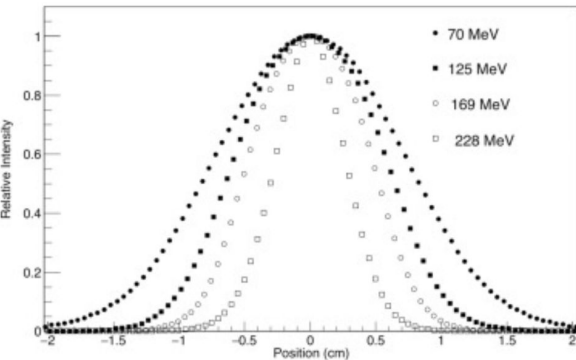


Table 3. Beam spot size estimated from a Gaussian fit on the profiles measured in the X-Y plane perpendicular to the beam direction. The spot asymmetry is calculated according to Eq. (1).

E (MeV)	σ_x (mm)	σ_y (mm)	Asymmetry (%)
70.2	6.93	6.91	0.1
73.9	6.63	6.74	0.8
82.7	6.28	6.41	1.0
90.8	6.04	6.15	0.9
100.0	5.63	5.73	0.8
105.6	5.42	5.63	1.8

Energy [MeV]	Range [g cm ²]	FWHM [mm]	Intensity [p/s]
100	7.72	13.7	1.19E+07
91	6.5	14.6	9.94E+06
83	5.5	15.2	7.50E+06
74	4.5	15.9	-
70	4.1	16.2	3.83E+06

ALCOR

- Schedina ALCOR
- Cavo FireFly
- Breakout board
- KC705
- Aim TTI power supply

- PC (epiclab02) connesso in rete a Aim TTI e KC705
- Threshold scan a alto TID?
- Programma che monitora SEU su BCR, PCR, ECCR + monitor correnti
- Autoreset in caso SEU su ECCR
- No lettura SPI by block

	PCR	BCR	ECCR
Bits	2048	128	128
σ (cm ² /bit) 2023	(2.5 +/- 0.5) 10 ¹⁵	(7.6 +/- 1.1) 10 ¹⁴	(9.4 +/- 1.8) 10 ¹⁴

We measured 28 (ECCR) e 24 (BCR) upsets with integrated fluence of $4.6 \cdot 10^{12}$.

We probably need a similar number of SEU. In 2023 one evening: approx 15 shots of 600 s

Main idea: repeat test but with greater intensity to speed up things

Irradiation 2023

Parameters	Flux (p/s/cm2/n					TID/10 ⁸ (rad)	
1nA->Flux	2.34E+07	da verificare con misura			E=100 MeV	9.38	
Bits ECCR+BCR	192				E=140 MeV	7.38	
Bits PCR	2048				E=228 MeV	5.37	
Frazione su ALC	8.36E-02						
Area ALCOR	0.187						L
Run	Current (nA)	Duration (s)	P/Misurati	Fluence on ALCOR	Integrated Fluence (p/cm2)	TID (krad)	E
1	10	427	1.00E+11	4.47E+10	4.47E+10	4.19E+00	
2	50	427	5.00E+11	2.23E+11	2.68E+11	2.51E+01	
3	50	427	5.34E+11	2.39E+11	5.07E+11	4.75E+01	
4	50	600	7.19E+11	3.21E+11	8.28E+11	7.77E+01	
5	50	600	6.78E+11	3.03E+11	1.13E+12	1.06E+02	
6	50	600	6.71E+11	3.00E+11	1.43E+12	1.34E+02	
7	50	600	6.74E+11	3.01E+11	1.73E+12	1.63E+02	
8	50	600	6.82E+11	3.05E+11	2.04E+12	1.91E+02	
9	50	600	6.72E+11	3.00E+11	2.34E+12	2.19E+02	
10	100	600	1.28E+12	5.72E+11	2.91E+12	2.73E+02	
11	100	600	1.31E+12	5.86E+11	3.50E+12	3.28E+02	
12	100	600	1.26E+12	5.63E+11	4.06E+12	3.81E+02	
13	100	600	1.31E+12	5.86E+11	4.64E+12	4.36E+02	

threshold scan performed by Fabio to check TID damage (+ 1 Saturday morning)

Irradiation 2024/ALCOR

It could be:

1 run 600 s 50 nA → approx 25 krad - check operations

8 run 600 s 100 nA → approx 400 krad in total

Interleaved by 4 (or 3) threshold checks: at 0, 100, 300, 425 krad

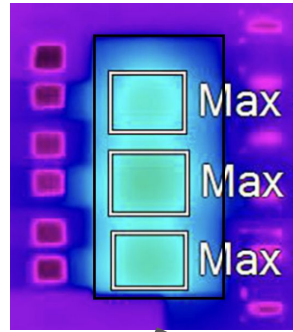
We might stay in two hours, if lucky.

One possibility is to consider refresh PCR registers every “n” seconds, given the TMR mechanism is not fully enabled (voting enabled, not self-correction)

LDO: LTM4709

- Ev. board LTM4709
- Scheda con ATtiny + PC connesso a seriale ATtiny
- TTCmi: fornisce VDH/VDL
- Scheda settata per fornire 1.2/1.8/2.5 V oppure 0.85/0.9/1.0 V e ≈ 2 A ($0.47\text{-}1 \Omega$)

- PC (epiclab02) connesso in rete a TTCmi e seriale ATtiny via PC dentro
- Programma che monitor correnti input
- Seriale ATtiny monitora segnali power good e correnti
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Test:

- Irraggiamento fino a TID

Suggested irradiation:

- 1 run 10 nA 300 s
- 1 run 100 nA 600 s

Evb board: DC3211A [User Guide](#)

6 x 12 mm

Active area $\approx 50\%$

AtTiny417

ATTINY817 XPLAINED MINI



- Ev. board ATtiny
- PC connesso a seriale ATtiny
- TTCmi: fornisce VDH

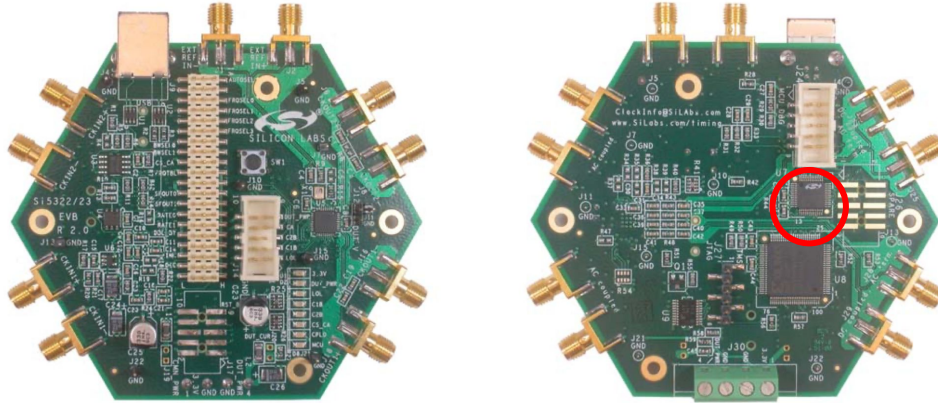
- PC (epiclab02) connesso in rete a TTCmi e seriale ATtiny via PC dentro
- Programma che monitora correnti input
- Seriale ATtiny riporta upset di memoria registrati
- We test reprogrammability at the end

4 kB memoria (programma + memoria) Il programma caricato occupa circa 500 byte, monitora pattern bit nei restanti 3500 byte $\rightarrow 2.8 \cdot 10^4$ bit

Suggested irradiation: up to 10^{12} p/cm² \rightarrow in case of 0 SEU this gives us a limit at 95% C.L. of $O(10^{-16}$ cm²/bit) for the cross section

With $=10^{-16}$ cm²/bit for the AtTiny417 we expect 1 SEU every 5 days in the whole dRICH (and we will not occupy all 4 the kB of memory)

SiLab (SkyWorks Si5326)



Purpose of the test:

- Monitor current to check against SEL
- Verify device maintains programmability after a certain TID
- Monitor SEL inside configuration bits (likely we will get an upper limit)
- Monitor stability of the output clocks pre/during(?)/after irradiation

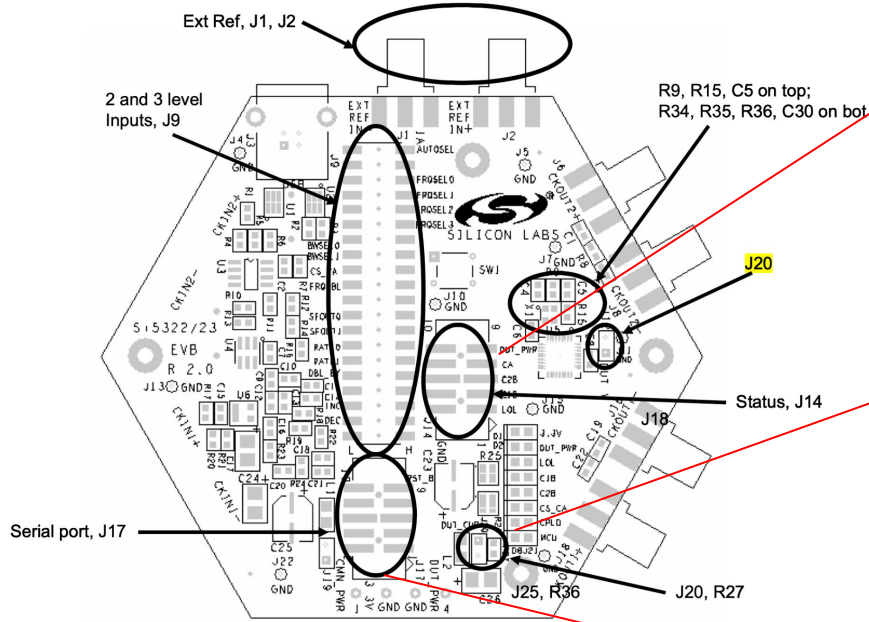
SiLab (SkyWorks Si5326)

- SiLab 5236-EVB
- ALINX (implementing IPBUS)
- Aim TTI (3.3 V)
- PC Windows connesso USB a SiLab
- Ext. clock gen. 98.5 MHz (SRS)
- Scope externally controlled
- PC (epiclab02) → Alimentatore + ALINX
- Monitor registers via ALINX
- Monitor clock via ALINX
- Monitor currents

- A. Maximum ambition: program and monitor via ALINX (IPBUS): registers + LOL signal + current of the device
- B. Minimal ambition: program via USB, just monitor current + clocks + latchup + check configuration pre/after

Note: SkyWorks 5326 has 128 x 8 bit registers (1 kb) (only 66 user accessible)
With a $\sigma \cong 10^{-16}$ cm²/bit we expect a SEU every 4 months in all dRICH

SiLab (SkyWorks Si5326)



J14 is a 10 pin ribbon header that provides an external path to monitor the status pins.

Table 4. Status Header, J14

J14	Pin	Comment
J14.1	LOL	
J14.3	C1B	
J14.5	C2B	
J14.7	CS_CA	clock active
J14.9	DUT_PWR	

J20 assists in measuring the Any-Frequency Precision Clock current draw. If J20 is to be used, R27 should be removed.

Table 5. External Serial Port Connector, J17

J17	Pin	Comment
J17.1	SDA_SDO	
J17.3	SCL_SCLK	
J17.5	SDI	
J17.7	A2_SS	
J17.9	DUT_RST_B	not reset

Big effort but all gained for RDO!

ALINX

Smontano FAN o irraggiamo lato opposto?
12 V su tutta carrier difficile accorgersi latchup

- [AXAU15](#) (implementing IPBUS)
- Aim TTI 12V

- PC (epiclab02) → Aim TTI + ALINX
- Monitor registers via ALINX
- Monitor currents

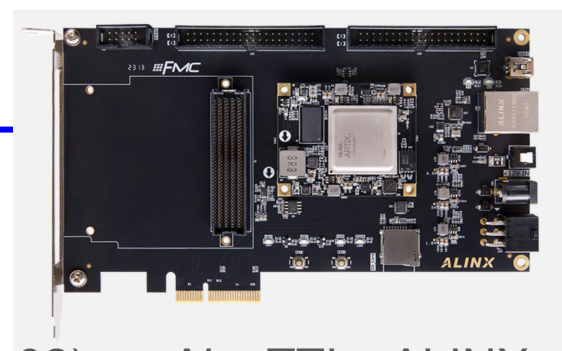
FW caricato su Flash prima di irraggiamento

Three type of registers monitored via IPBUS

- Shift registers to monitor flip-flop
- CRAM (via internal features):

modalita' mitigation & testing (corregge se ci riesce oppure dice che non ci riesce) - come base
modalita' detect & testing (non correggiamo e vediamo che succede...)

- RAM: 2 Mbit



ALINX

Xilinx [declares](#) $2.67 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^2/\text{bit}$ cross-section for CRAM bits

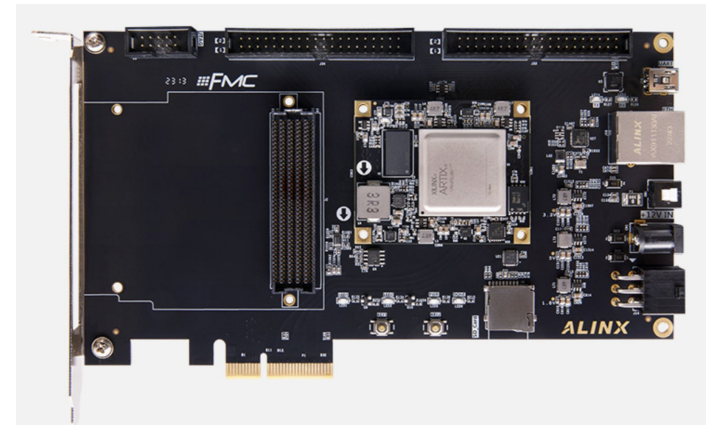
AUP15 has 42.8×10^6 configuration bits

With a flux of $10^8 \text{ p/cm}^2\text{s}$ we would have 1 SEU in CRAM ogni secondo!!!

Flux needed: $10^6 - 10^7$, note the 10^7 is with 1 nA → need to discuss with TIFPA

Plan to start with low intensities → SEU

Additional problem: the fan. Plan to remove and check temp



BEAM SPECIFICATIONS:

A list of all energies available at TIPFA is listed below together with the corresponding range. Intermediate energy values can be obtained on request. Energies lower than 70 MeV can be obtained with the use of degraders. FWHM refers to the beam Gaussian profile as measured in air at Isocenter position (i.e. 1.25 m from beam exit window). Beam intensity values reported in the table correspond to 1 nA beam current requested at beam extraction. Any beam extraction current can be requested in the range 1-300 nA. In case lower intensities are needed, beam rate at Isocenter position in the order of 10^2 Hz can be obtained.

Sequence proposal (with some doubts)

- LDO LTM4709
 - AtTiny417
 - SiLab Si3526
 - AMD AUX15P
 - ALCOR
- 13 December evening
- 14 December morning

- 1) ALCOR is “easy”, we repeat the test. On the other end could be seen as second priority even at the end of everything → move to the end
- 2) AMD AUX15P more complicated, but is where we have existing measurements and we know it
- 3) LDO, AtTiny and SiLab could be potential show stoppers for RDO
- 4) We have to think if we can save time making something in parallel. SiLab and ALCOR might be two candidates, with one of them down on the beam line. They might reach similar fluence ($5 \cdot 10^{12}$ p/cm²). But for SiLab we need to grow intensity with a different curve.