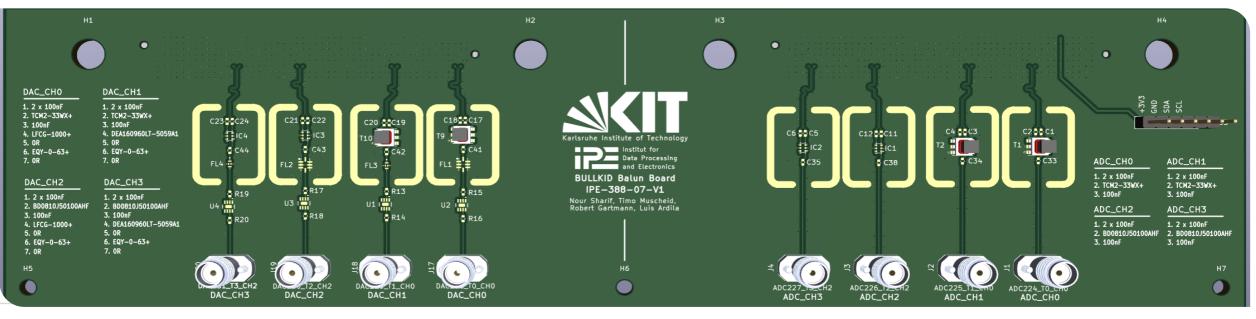




BULLKID-DM Readout Electronics

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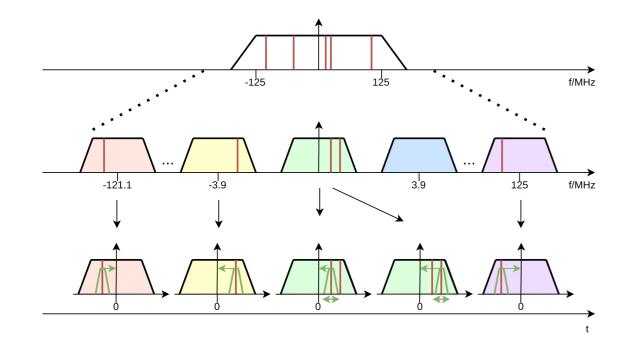
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Processing chain improvements





Channelization Version 2 successfully implemented

Supports multiple tones in one bin

128 resonators (2 x 64) per wafer can be downconverted

Upgrade to 3x64 for full-scale system easily possible

Next step: Measure crosstalk of two tones in one bin



VNA feature

Output power of VNA adjustable in software

Advantages:

- No more need for external attenuators
- Self-contained system
- Multiple sweeps with different power to optimize readout tones?

Next step: Work on automated resonator search algorithm

Multi-line readout



Configuration command: wafers[0].setup_mux(resonators_0.c sv)

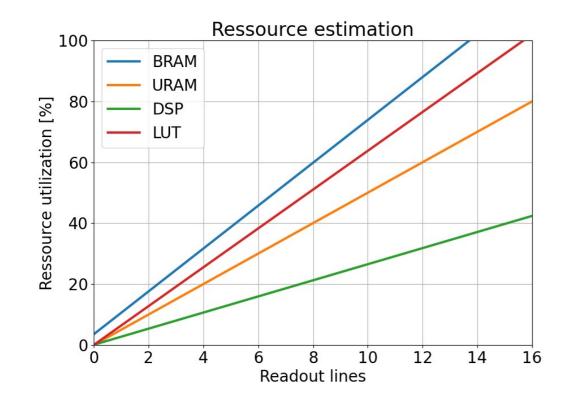
- Reads carrier tone information
- Generates frequency comb
- Stores required metadata
- Performs downconversion

- Capability for multi-line readout implemented on all software layers
- Simplification of calibration routine
 -> One command to set up readout
- New data-class for resonators to store meta-data

Next step: Test multi-line readout on demonstrator stack

Full-scale firmware ressource estimation





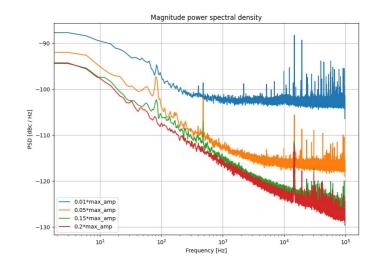
- DSP utilization adequate
 Headroom for more complex filters
- Memory utilization too high
 - Move modules to URAM
 - Reduce buffer size
- LUT utilization too high
 - Goal: < 80% to meet timing reqs
 - Approach:
 - Increase clock rate
 - Add pipelining
 - Optimize firmware modules

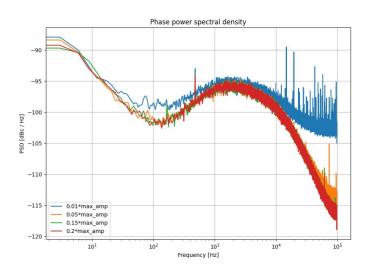
Noise evaluation

- Noise measurement performed with a single tone and varying amplitude
- In both cases (phase, magnitude) noise decreases with increasing power
- First measurements show, that number of resonators has no effect

Next step: Further evaluation needed

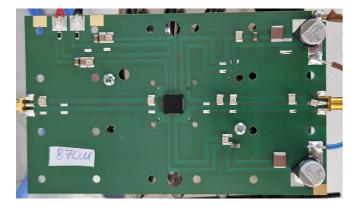






Amplifier evaluation

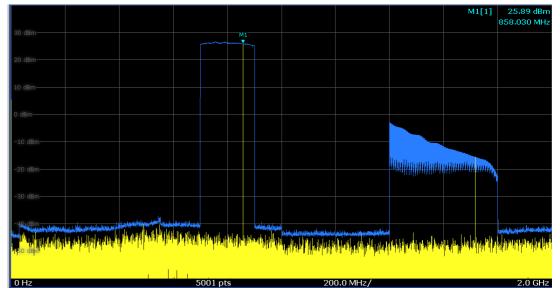




Assembled Eval-Board for <u>MW71C915NT1</u> amplifier

~40 dB amplification

Frequency sweep:



- Harmonics above 1GHz
- Can be attenuated with Lowpass-Filter

Next step: Attach Amp to BULLKID-DAQ to evaluate intermodulation products

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Other news

- Two more frontend boards assembled
 - Backup-Board for Rome?
 - Pisa group interested?
 - Setup at LNGS?
- Talk on DAQ at LTD accepted
- Implementation of advanced trigger types ongoing

Measurement to test new features on demonstrator planned for next week