

# eRD14: Photosensors and Electronics

## Projects

- Photosensors in High Magnetic Fields (Y. Ilieva, C. Zorn)
- MCP-PMT/LAPPD (J. Xie, M. Chiu)
- Electronics (G. Varner, M. Contalbrigo, I. Mostafanezhad)

# High-B Sensor Program

## Commercial MCP-PMT Evaluation in High-B Fields

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### Goals:

- Identify the limitations of operation of commercially-available MCP-PMTs in high B-fields:  $G(B, \theta, \varphi)$ ,  $\sigma_t(B, \theta, \varphi)$
- Identify the most favorable orientation of sensors for high-B operations at EIC  
Example: tilt angle with respect to the local B-field; different sensor options
- Investigate suitable parameters for operations in high magnetic fields: HV

The High-B Facility is located at Jefferson Lab.

# Commercial MCP-PMT Evaluation in High-B Fields: FY21

## FY21 Planned Activities

- Full scan of 10- $\mu$ m XP85122-S, HiCE Planacon: timing, gain, ion feedback (B, HV,  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ) (on schedule, Summer 2021)
- Full scan of a 6- $\mu$ m Photek: timing, gain, ion feedback (B, HV,  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ). Size: 6x6 cm<sup>2</sup>. Channels: 16x16. Pixel: 3 mm. A possible alternative to Planacon (on schedule, Summer 2021)

## Progress in July 2020 - March 2021

- Purchase of a 32x32 XP85122-S, HiCE Planacon (complete, delivered November).
- Preparation of a signal readout of a few channels at JLab, Samtech connector or Condaalign film, new preamp (in progress)
- On-loan agreement with Photek (6  $\mu$ m) – negotiated for Summer 2021
- USC Magellan scholarship awarded to Benjamin Moses to work on High B at JLab (student salary for 4 weeks and transportation)

# Commercial MCP-PMT Evaluation in High-B Fields

## Future activities

- Complete the scan of 10- $\mu\text{m}$  XP85122-S, HiCE Planacon: timing and gain for various  $HV_{\text{Cathode-MCP1}}$ ,  $HV_{\text{MCP1-MCP2}}$ ,  $HV_{\text{MCP2-Anode}}$  (1 run)
- Procure one 6- $\mu\text{m}$  Photek and complete the scan: timing and gain for various  $HV_{\text{Cathode-MCP1}}$ ,  $HV_{\text{MCP1-MCP2}}$ ,  $HV_{\text{MCP2-Anode}}$  (1 - 2 runs)
- Full-area gain, timing, and uniformity characterization of MCP PMTs for DIRC prototype with Uni-Hawaii electronics (1 - 2 runs)
- B-field scan of timing, gain, and ion-feedback of Gen-III LAPPD (2 runs)



# MCP-PMT/LAPPD<sup>TM</sup>

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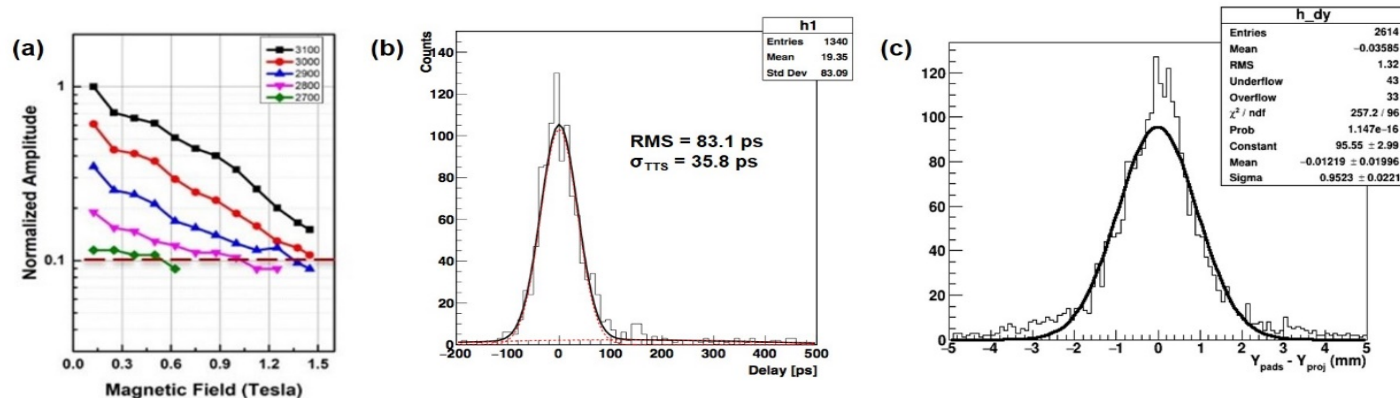
## Goal

Adapt LAPPD<sup>TM</sup> to the EIC requirements: Highly pixelated LAPPD<sup>TM</sup> working at 2~3 Tesla for mRICH, dRICH, and DIRC, as well as TOF applications.

# Argonne MCP-PMT: Current status

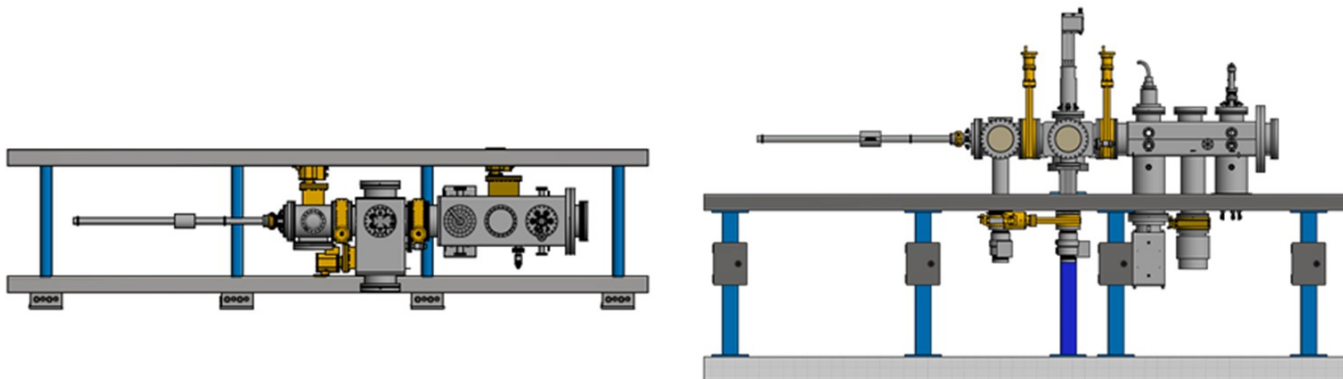
## Demonstrated applicable performance for EIC Cherenkov detector sub-systems:

- Magnetic field tolerance > 1.5 Tesla
- RMS timing resolution < 100 ps
- Position resolution < 1 mm with 3mm x 3mm pixel size



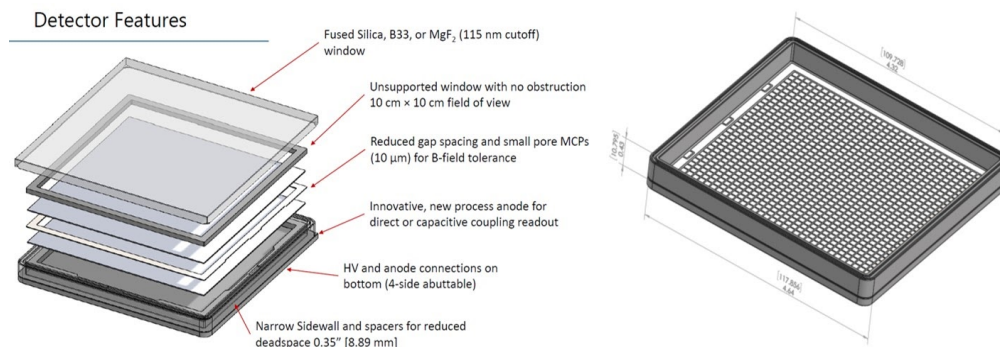
## Transition to fabrication of 10x10 cm<sup>2</sup> MCP-PMT prototypes

- Fully integrated pixelated and magnetic field tolerant MCP-PMT design
- Upgraded fabrication facility with full oven baking for device fabrication
- MCP-PMT size of 10x10 cm<sup>2</sup> applicable for both R&D and prototype validation



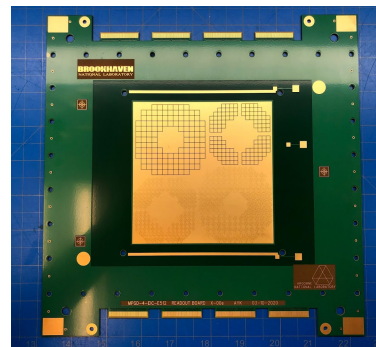
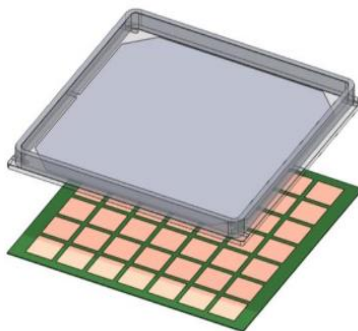
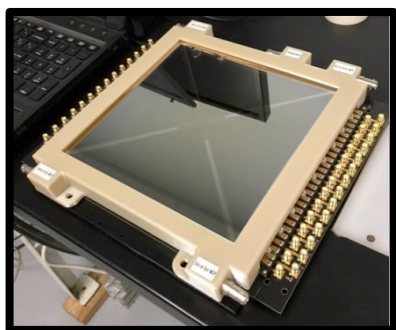
# Incom Pixelated Gen-II and -III LAPPD Status

SBIR phase I “**Large Area Multi-Anode MCP-PMT for High Rate Applications**” was awarded.



- ANL 10  $\mu m$  ALD-MCP-PMTs R&D results were integrated in the HRPPD design. The sensor is read out using LTCC ceramic anode (hpDIRC application).
- First HRPPD delivery of summer 2021.

SBIR phase I “**Application Specific High Fluence Anode Design**” was awarded.



- Joint Incom, Nalu, BNL and ANL effort to explore Gen-II pixelated LAPPD and its readout for EIC RICH sub-systems
- One Gen-II LAPPD

# Proposed FTBF Experiment in Spring 2021

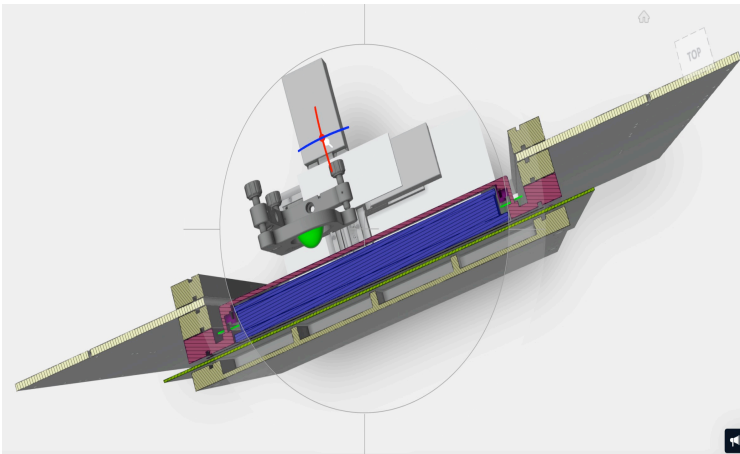
Originally planned in Mar, now delayed to May

## Available devices for EIC-PID

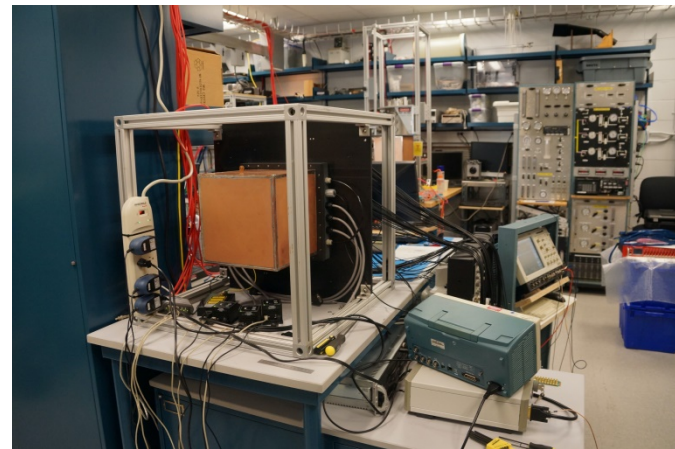
- Gen-II LAPPDs on loan to EIC consortium since Dec 2020.
- Two ANL 10um MCP-PMTs

## Proposed beam-line tests (work with mRICH and eRD6 MPGD groups)

- In beam performance validation of Gen II LAPPDs and ANL MCP-PMTs
- mRICH-LAPPD-ToF experiment for combined RICH and TOF test with LAPPD, mRICH module has been received and setup at BNL.



LAPPD setup in beam CAD model



Test stand setup in lab

# Future activities and projection

## FY2021

- Complete **beamline validation** of Gen-II LAPPD and ANL 10  $\mu\text{m}$  MCP-PMTs with simple pixel readout
- Complete **mRICH-LAPPD-ToF experiment** with LAPPD
- **Magnetic field test** of one Gen-II LAPPD and one Gen-III HRPPD

## Future projections

### FY2022

- **Fabrication** of a 10x10 cm MCP-PMT prototype for validation
- **Evaluation** of LAPPD and HRPPD in bench and magnetic field tests
- **Integration** of Gen-II LAPPD and 10x10 cm MCP-PMT with external pixelated anode and Hawaii HDSoc electronics

### FY2023 and beyond

- **Further improvement** of Gen-II LAPPD and 10x10 cm MCP-PMT for fine pixel size readout and signal pickup
- **Beamline evaluation** of Cherenkov detector sub-systems with LAPPD and 10x10 cm MCP-PMTs

# Readout Electronics for eRD14 Prototypes (and beyond)

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## Goals

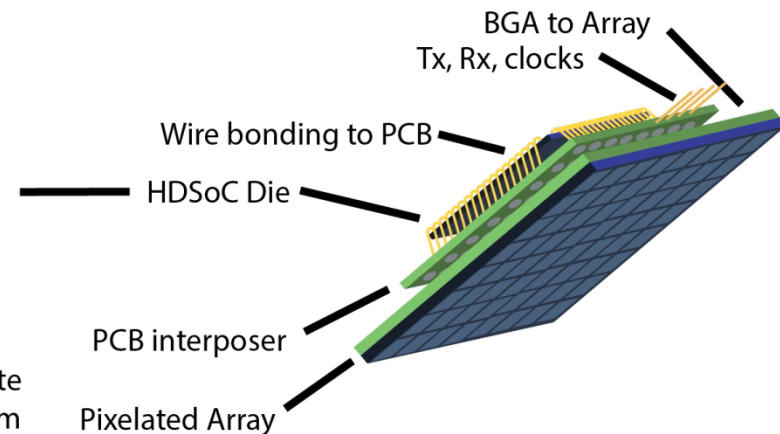
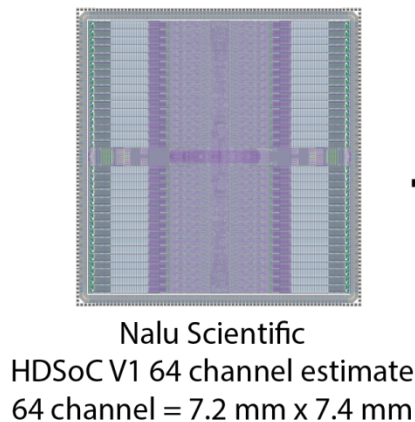
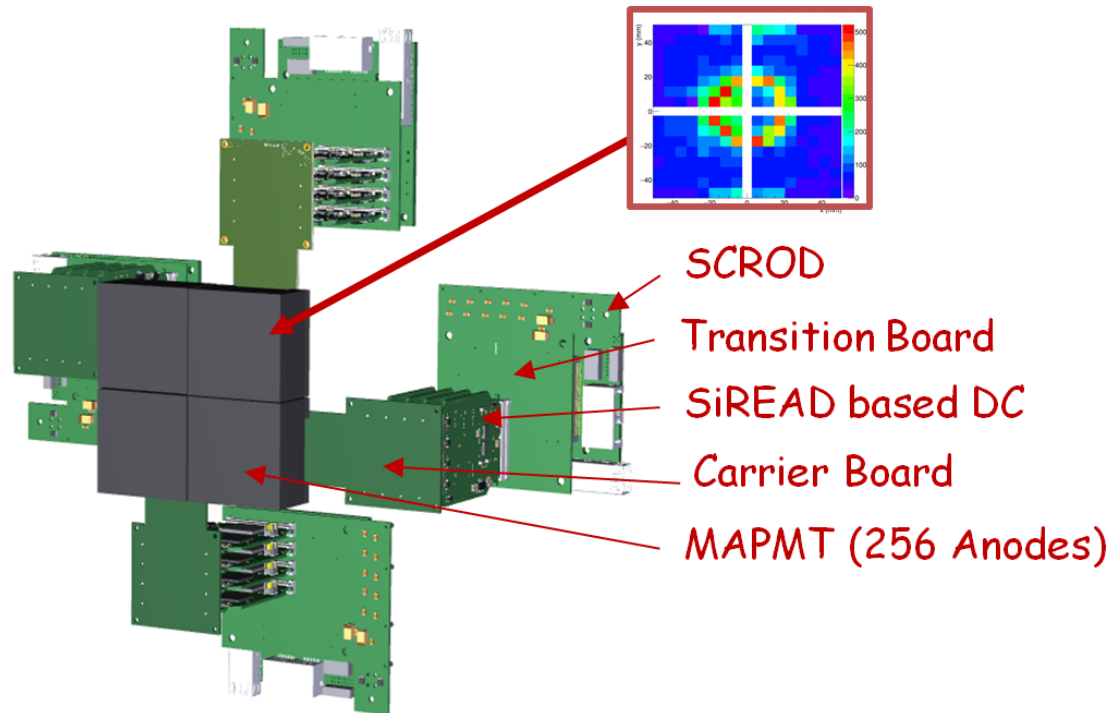
- Develop an integrated suite of readout electronics for the different photo-sensors used for all the Cherenkov detectors and prototypes
- Provide a reference readout system for prototypes performance assessment
- Develop a generic DAQ system compatible with the eRD14 needs
- Test applications with various sensors (including SiPMs)



# Readout Electronics for eRD14 Prototypes

## Ongoing Activities

- Development of SiREAD based readout firmware to operate with the SCROD FPGA
- Second generation firmware to improve data throughput for front-end to back-end communication, including introducing triggerless readout
- Transition from the SiREAD (32-channel) chip to HDSoc (32, 64 channel)
- Evaluation of alternative readout architectures based upon ToT/TDC architectures (separate slide)



# Readout Electronics: ToT architecture alternatives @ INFN

Test station

## Ongoing Activities :

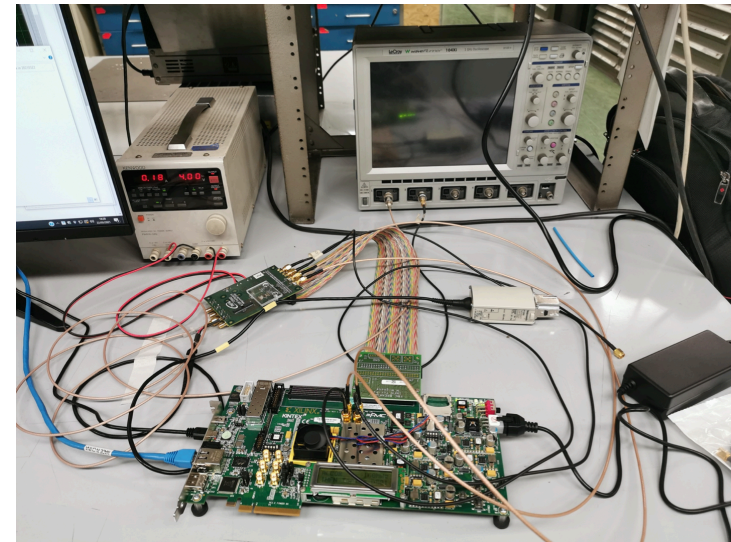
Development of a ToT readout based on  
ALCOR (F/E) + ARCADIA (DAQ)

- 500 kHz per channel
- 50 ps time binning

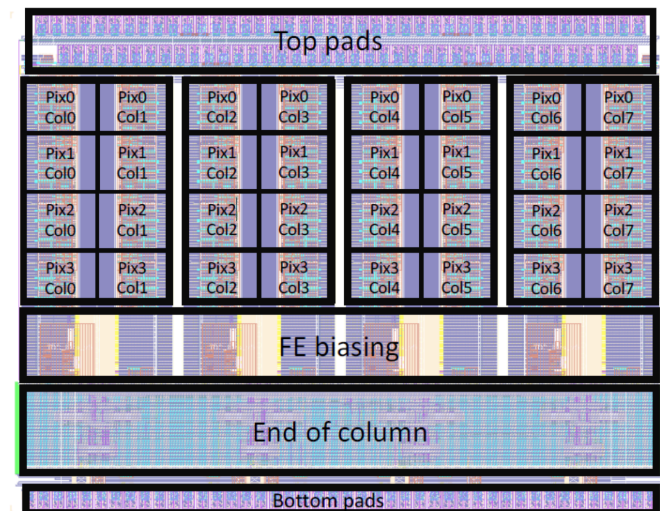
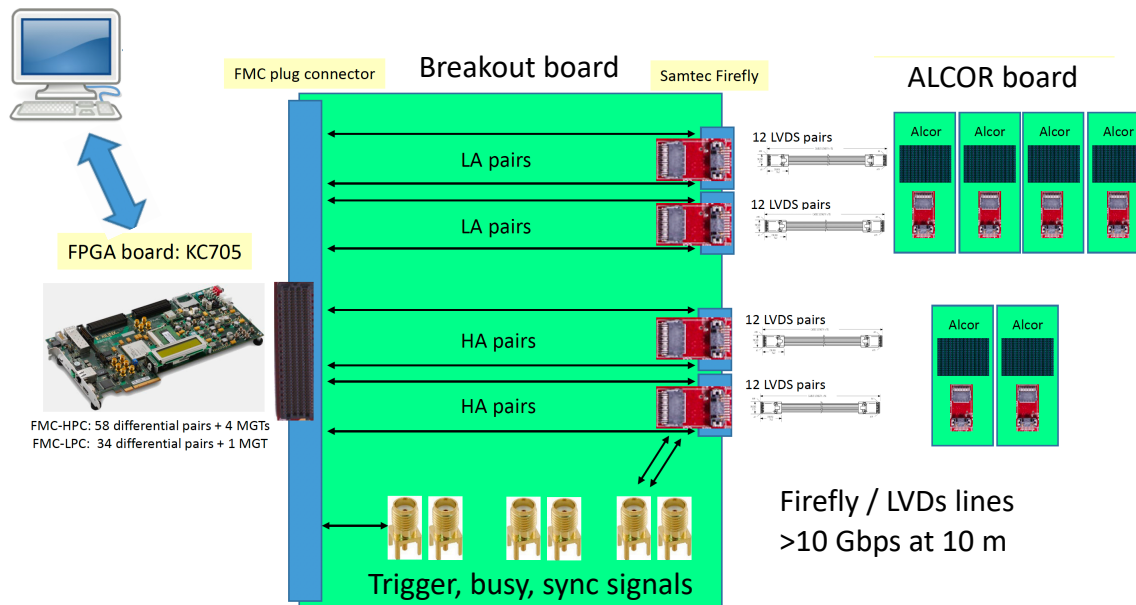
Chip under validation with a dedicated test board

Design of a readout chain dedicated to dRICH

Portable high-rate DAQ & firmware

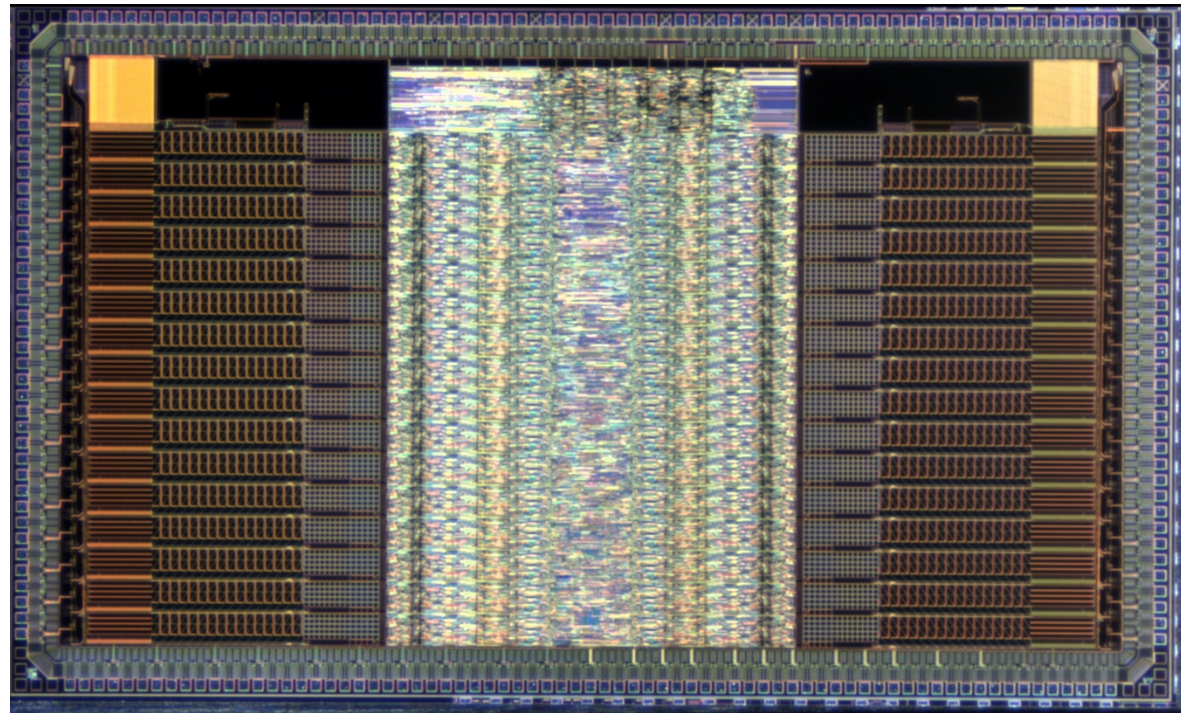


ALCOR: flexible gain and discrimination  
2x TI amplifier per channel (gain)  
4x TDC per channel (edge/rate)





# Readout Electronics



## Future activities

- Complete evaluation of Si-READ ASIC based readout
- Upgrade to the (32-channel) HDSoc ASIC when ready in May/June 2021
- Build 1k channel integrated readout demonstrator mRICH, using 64-channel HDSoc (final prototype system, will permit WBS costing)
- Explore ToT alternative in parallel at INFN
- Comparison summary: performance, power, cost, availability, integration

# Backup Slides:

# MCP-PMT/LAPPD<sup>TM</sup>

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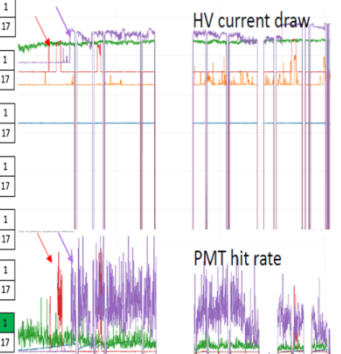
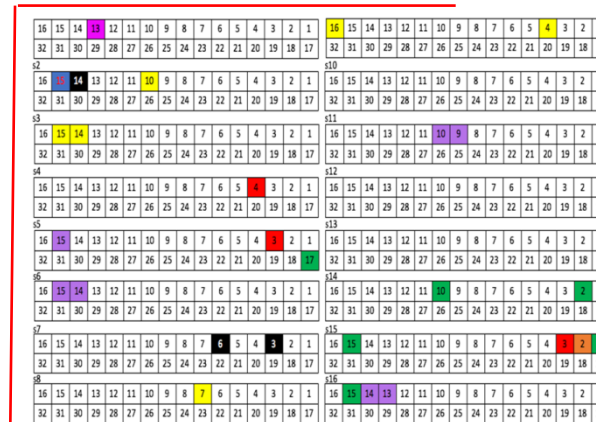
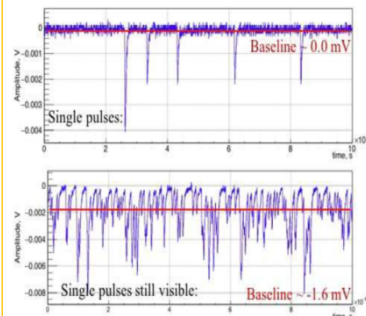
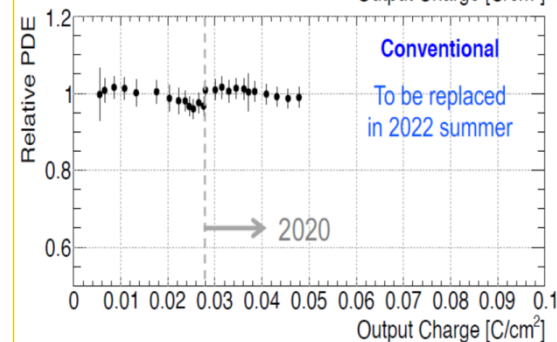
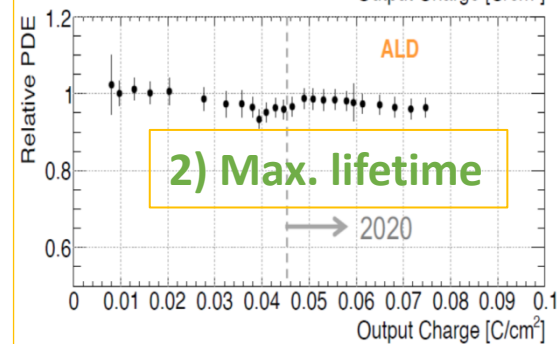
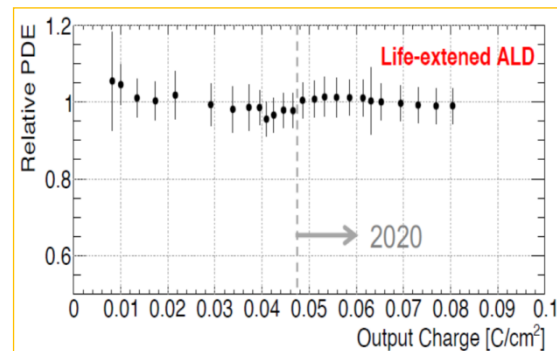
## FY21 Report

- **Fabrication of Argonne MCP-PMT** with integrated pixelated readout and magnetic field tolerant design
- **Full engagement of Incom** to develop pixelated Gen-II LAPPD and Gen-III HRPPD for EIC-PID Cherenkov needs
- Obtain a loan of Incom 20x20 cm<sup>2</sup> pixelated LAPPD for bench test
- **Preparation of Fermilab beamline test** with MCP-PMT/LAPPD devices and mRICH module

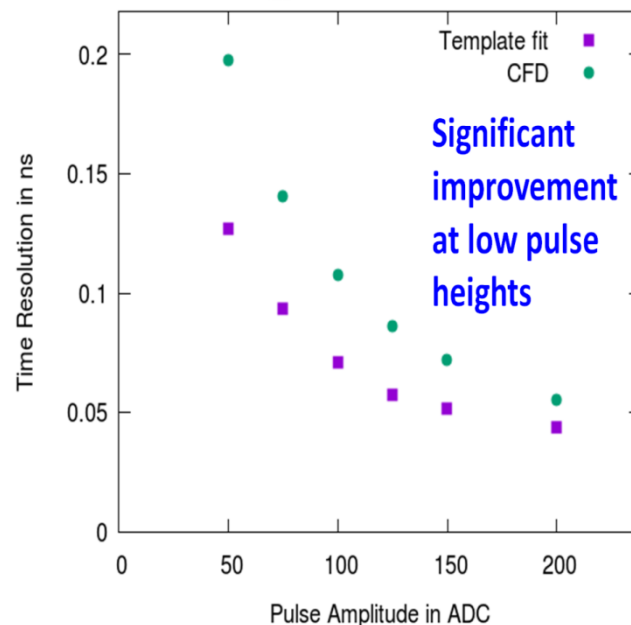
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- CF: Amp+Disc+TDC (often TOT for ampl. Est.)
- 3 reasons (besides cost)

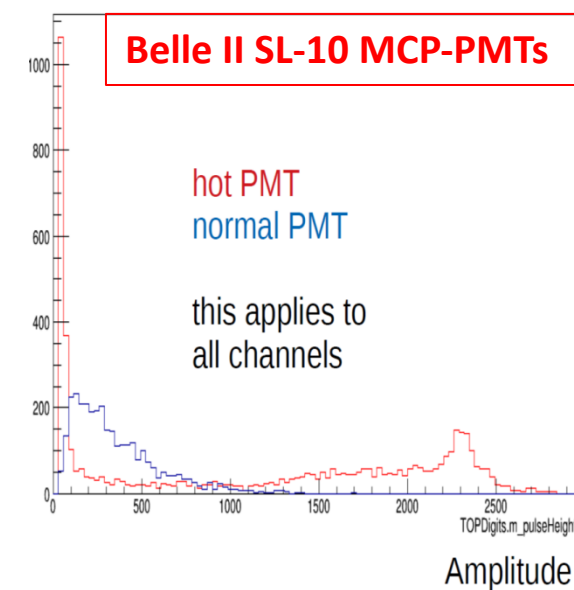
- crazy and was turned off
- HV was lowered (by 20V-50V)
- HV channel was changed
- recovered on its own
- currently hot
- currently hot, only occasional spikes
- a bit hot < 2MHz
- slot01PMT13, hit rate keeps increasing when HV peak



1) The unexpected



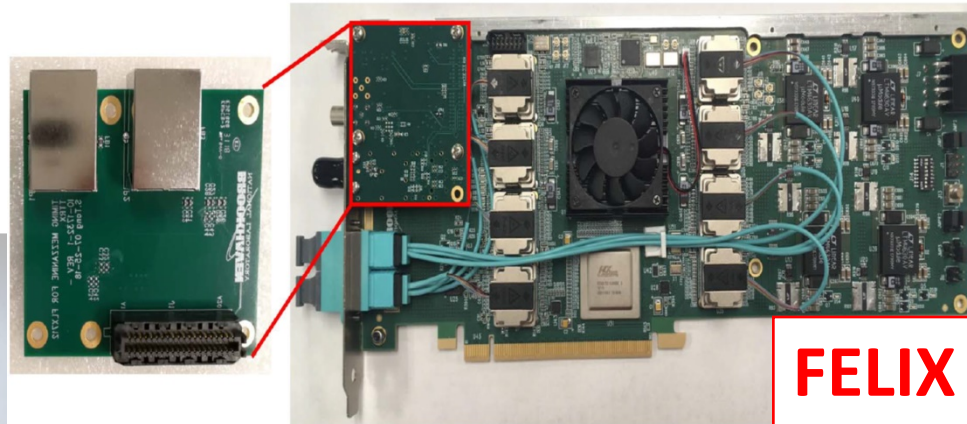
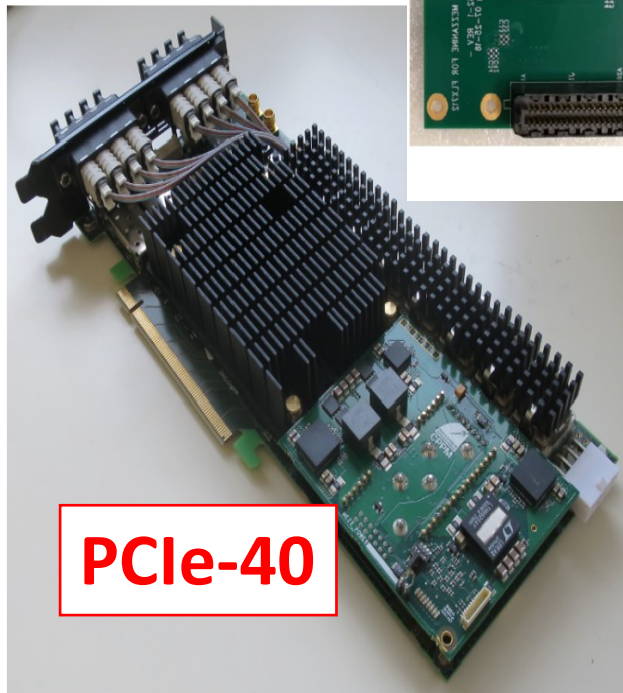
3) Optimizing (timing) performance



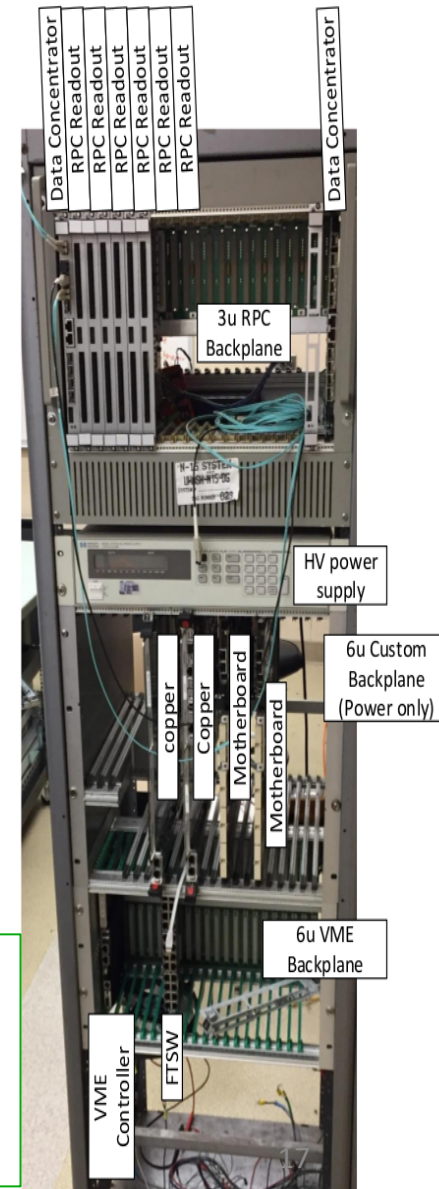


# Backend Control/Readout: Belle II DAQ upgrade

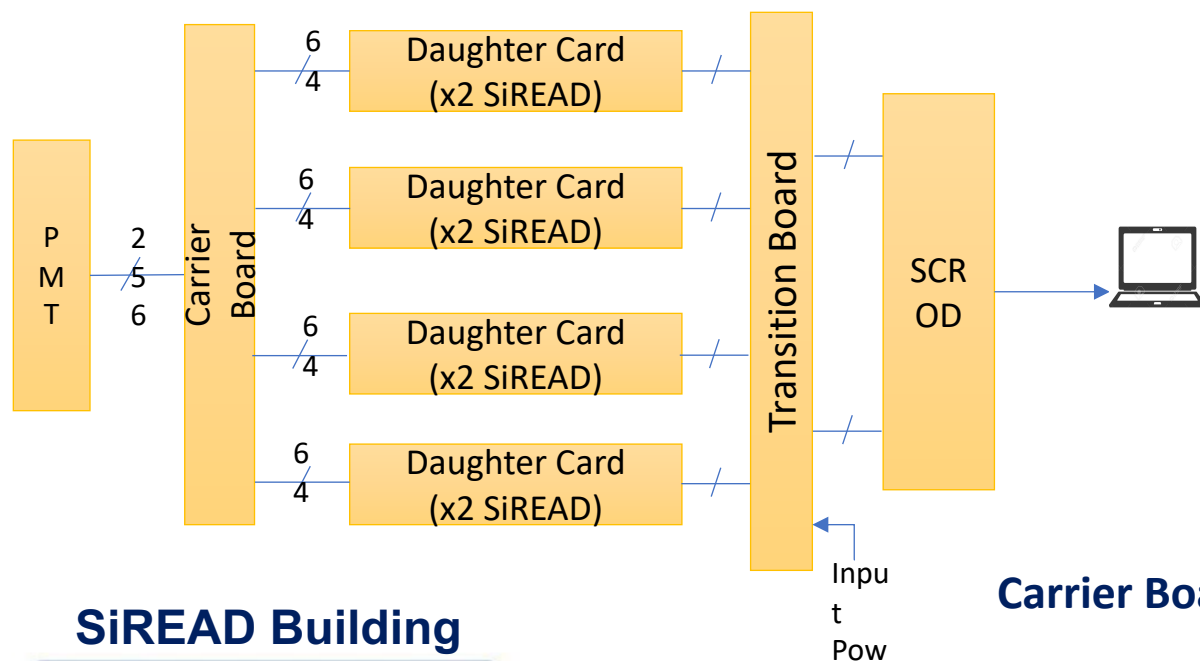
- Current: JLAB and Belle2link readout as baseline
- Experience with Belle-II DAQ upgrade



Hawaii  
Belle II KLM+TOP  
DAQ upgrade  
Test bench

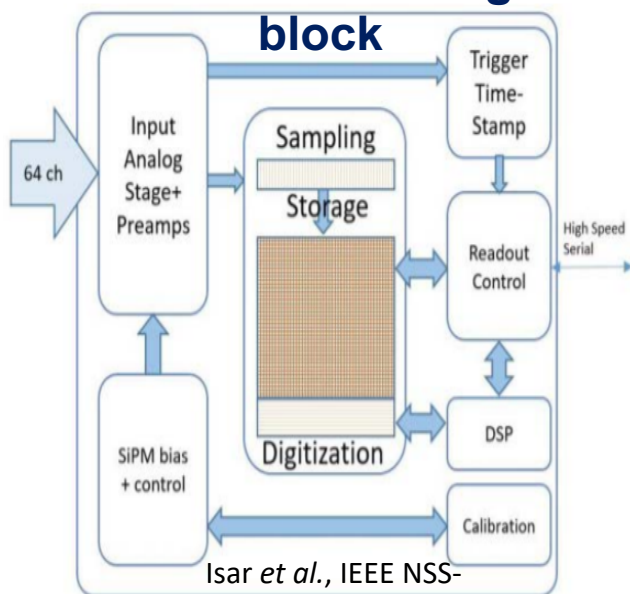


# Readout Electronics overview



PMT mounts on the other side of the Carrier Board

## SiREAD Building block



Isar et al., IEEE NSS-2018

SiREAD Parameter	Specifications
Channels	32
Sampling rate	1 GSa/s
Storage samples/ch	4096
Est. Analog BW	0.7-1.1 GHz
RMS voltage noise	1.3 mV
Signal voltage range	2.1 V
ADC on chip	12 bits
Readout	Serial LVDS
Power consumption	20-40 mW/ch

Carrier Board

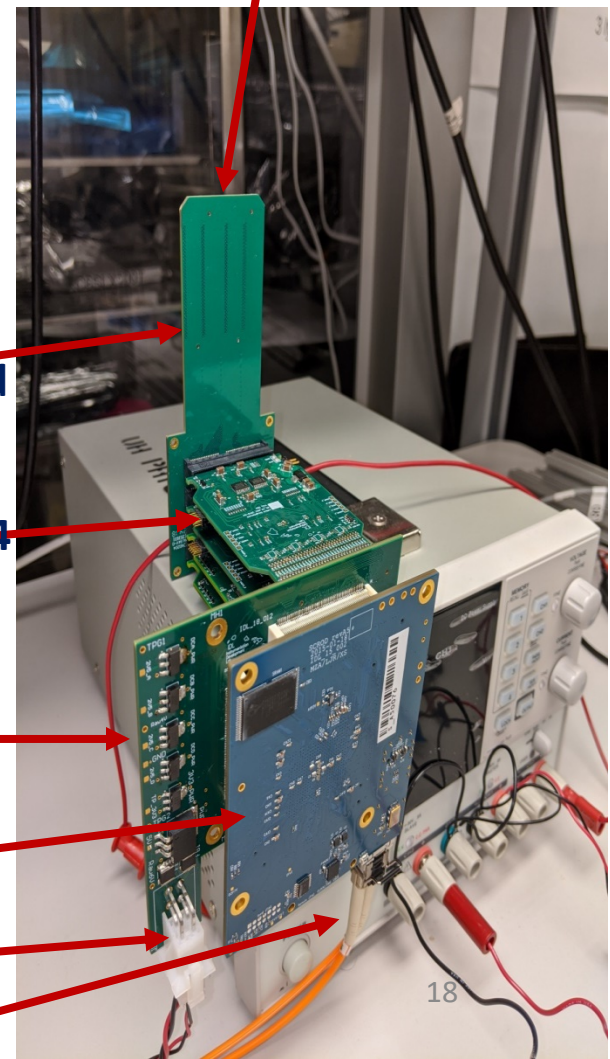
SiREAD DCs x4

Transition Board

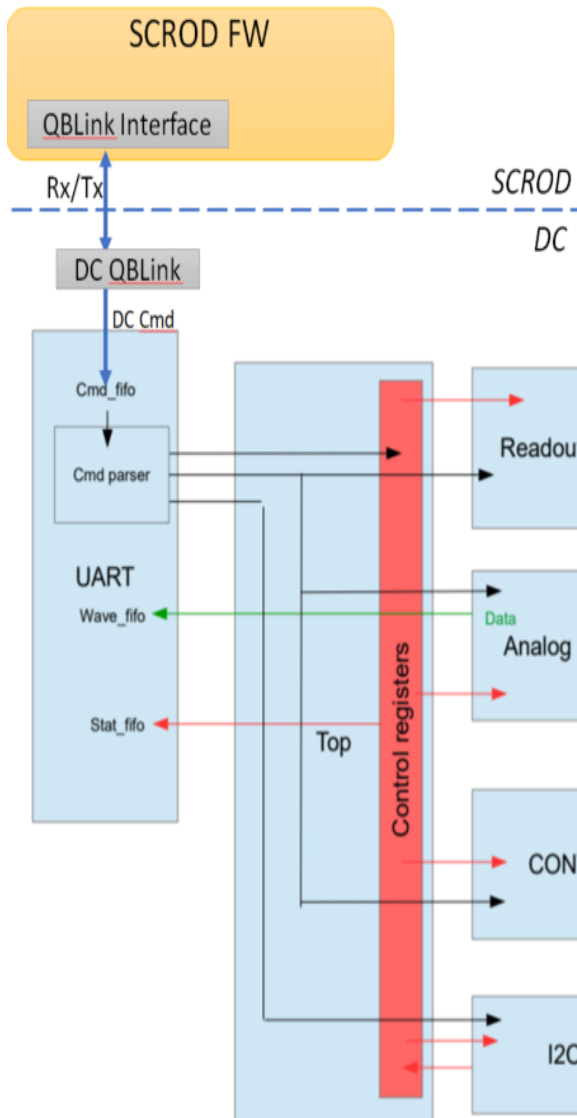
SCROD

Input power

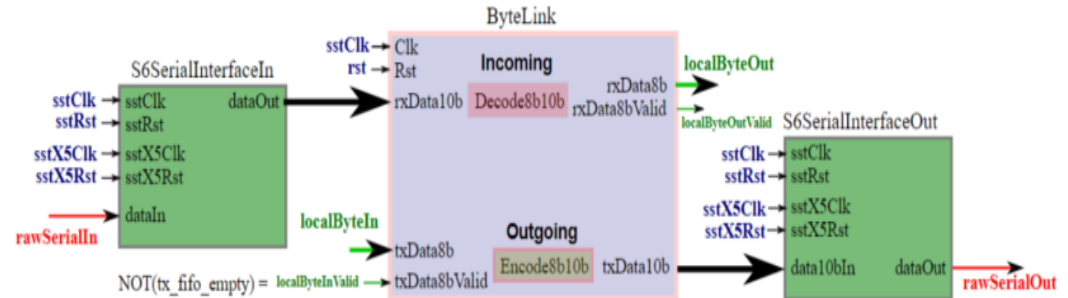
optical gigabit transceiver



# SiREAD DC Firmware



## Quad Byte line (QBLink)



- Communication links between the SCROD and DCs is maintained using **QBLink**
- **Readout Control**: starts and stops acquisitions and handles triggers
- **Analog Readout**: handles the control of the **SiREAD ASIC** including write/read location and the actual readout
- **CONTROL**: writes the analog register