DAQ introduction

~ R&D plan for the prototype detector ~

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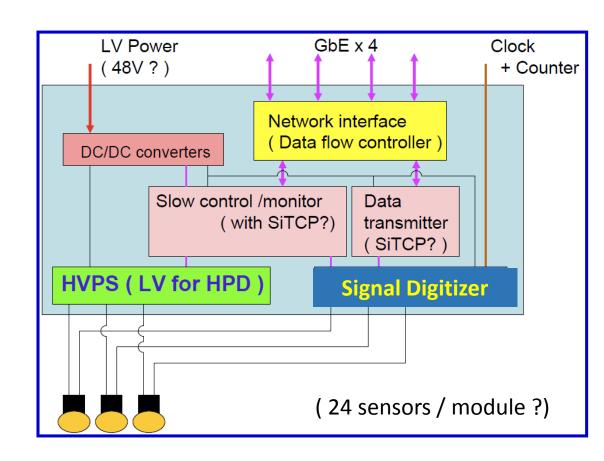
DAQ baseline design

Hardware trigger less DAQ system ~ record all the hits ~

Digitize all the photo sensor signals above threshold ($\sim \frac{1}{4}$ photo electrons) and read out by a computer.

Key components

- Self triggering
 & dead-time free
 signal digitizers
- Intelligent network interfaces
- HV (LV) for photo-sensors
- Front-end module in the water



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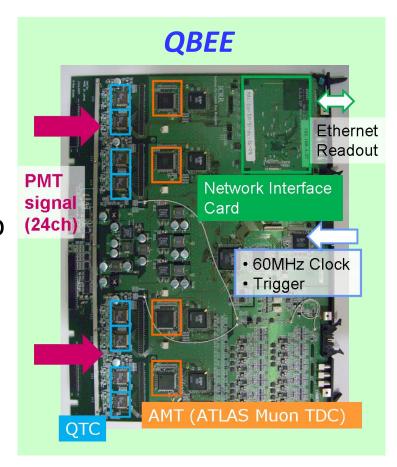
Digitize all the photo sensor signals above threshold

(~¼ photo electrons) and read out by a computer.

Possible solutions of the signal digitization

- QTC (ADC) + TDC
 Similar to QBEE for SK4
- FADC
 Proposed by the Canadian group

Evaluate their performance and feasibility with the prototype detector.



What we are going to do with the test detector

Proof of the concept and performance evaluations

Clock distribution

timing synchronization stability and jitter

Signal digitization

Methods: FADC, QTC+TDC

Noise level

Charge & timing resolution

Dynamic range and linearity

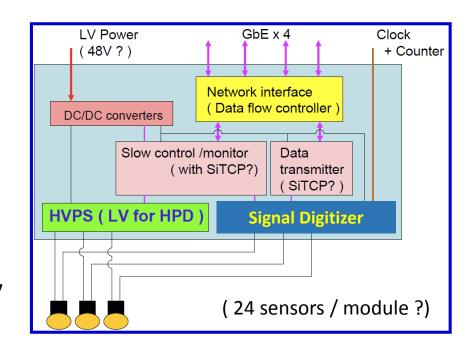
Data transfer system

Slow monitor

Water proof

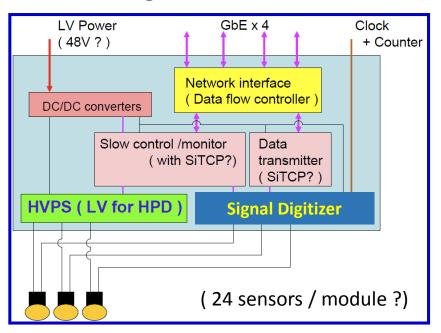
chassis, connectors and cables

- Stability & durability
- Feasibility



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Final design

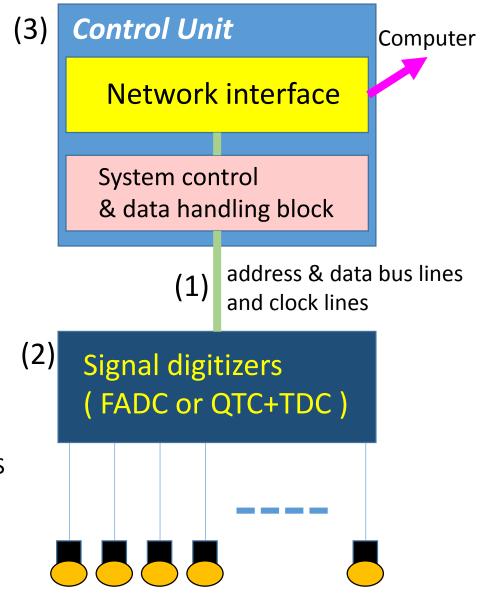


In developing the prototype module,

- Define signal specifications between the control unit and the signal digitizers.
- 2) Develop the signal digitizer board in Canada and US
- 3) Develop the control unit in Japan.

R&D of the chassis, cables and connectors run in parallel.

Prototype module



Recent updates of the DAQ R&D

R&D of the new front end module in Japan & US

1) Use spare QTC chips for SK

(We don't have many but sufficient for the tests.)

2) Use new FPGA based TDC developed in FNAL

by Jinyuan-san.

AMT3 chip (used in QBEE) has been discontinued.

The first buffer of AMT3 was not sufficient

and ringing of the PMT signal may fill up the buffer.

Data bus throughput is not sufficient

to read out all the hits at maximum rate.

This TDC is now under development

for muon experiment in FNAL.

From this summer, evaluation of this TDC will be started.

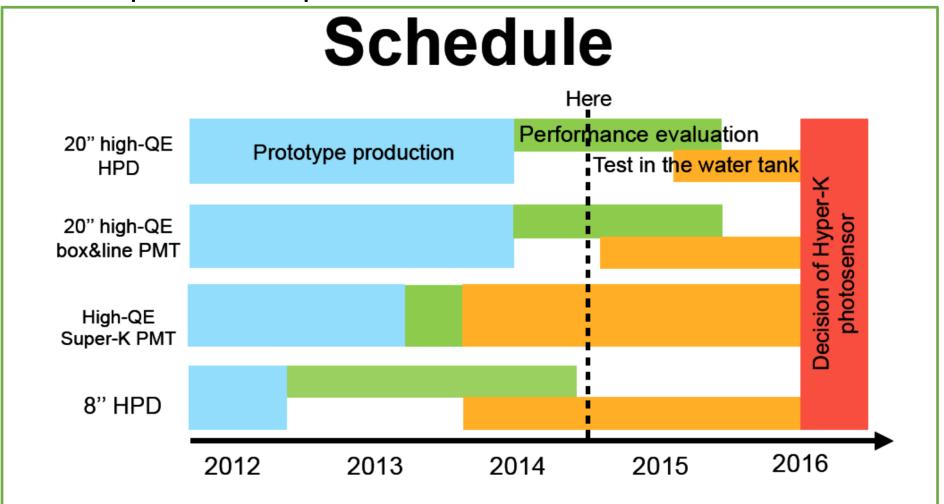
Once this TDC is confirmed to be feasible,

we will start working on the analog part.

We need to develop new QTC for the real detector.

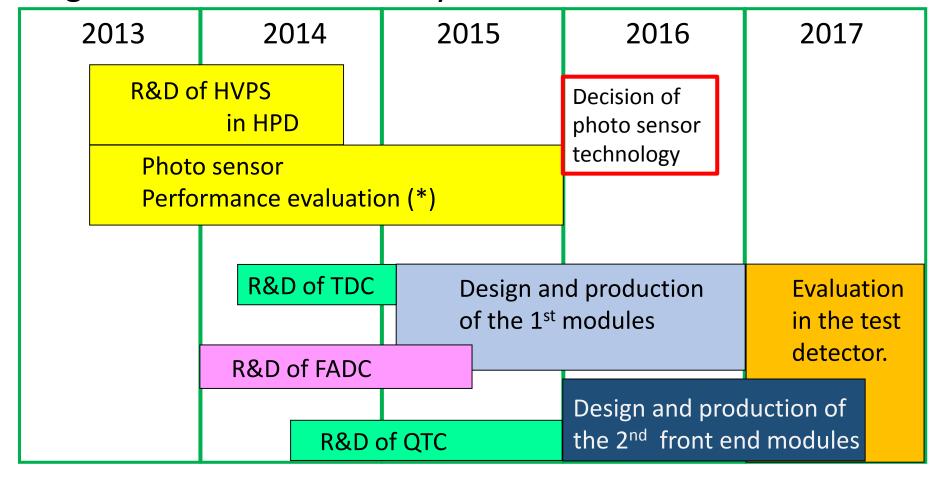
(We are planning to contact "Iwatsu", for possible collaboration.)

Current plan of the photo sensor R&D



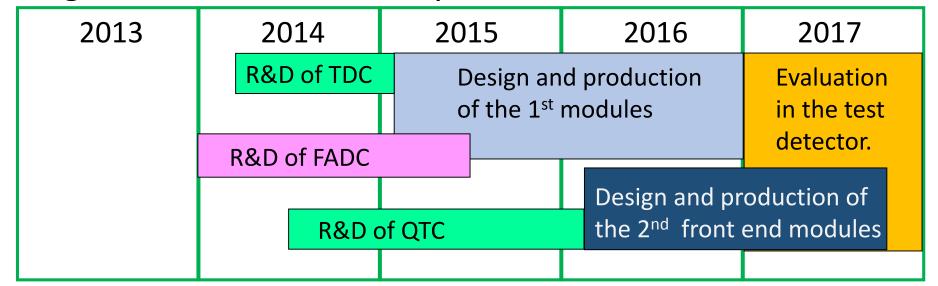
- Development of 20" HPD is still ongoing
 - Preamplifier for large AD size, Low capacitance AD
- In this summer, 20" high-QE box&line PMT will be installed in the tank

Rough timeline of the DAQ system R&D



*) We have started tests of the new photo sensors in the EGADS detector in collaboration of the EGADS group.

Rough timeline of the DAQ system R&D



- 1) 1st prototype may not contain power supply for the photo sensor Check the basic functionalities, performance and feasibility, together with the new sensors.
- 2) 2nd prototype hopefully has all the functionalities including power supply for the photo sensors Check the performance of the signal digitization and the other peripheral functionalities.

Items to be designed in the R&D

Front end board core components

TDC	FPGA-based
QTC	Successor of QTC for QBEE?
FADC	
LV for HPD (?)	Finalize when the sensor is choosen
HV for PMT (?)	Finalize when the sensor is choosen
Clock receiver / transmitter	Low skew (<< 100 ps)
System control	
Network I/F	Successor of SiTCP
	Rapid I/O

Items to be designed in the R&D

Clock module ~ synchronization

Clock module	Accurate 10 ~ 100 MHz clock generator
Clock distributor	Low skew (<< 100 ps)
Clodk distribution cable	Combined with network cable (?)

Data transfer line (from the FEBs to the readout computers)

Data Concentrator Prefer to connect usual PC directly	/.
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Items to be designed in the R&D

Water tight front-end board chassis and related

Signal connector	from photo sensor to FEB		
3kV HV connector	for PMT		
10kV HV cable	If HV is located in the FEB box		
10kV HV connector	If HV is located in the FEB box		
Network cable			
Network connector			
Power supply connector			
Chasis			

6. Recent updates of the DAQ R&D

Basic requirements of the front-end module

Built-in Discriminator

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¼ p.e. (~0.3 mV)
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Charge integration gate

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~ 400 ns
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Processing Speed

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~1 usec / hit
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- High Sensitivity for single p.e.
- Charge Response

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Resolution: ~ 0.05p.e. (<25p.e.)
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Wide Charge Dynamic Range (*)

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0.1 ~ 1250p.e. (0.2~2500pC)
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Timing Response

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0.3ns (1p.e. ⇔ -3mV) (RMS)
0.2ns (>5p.e.)
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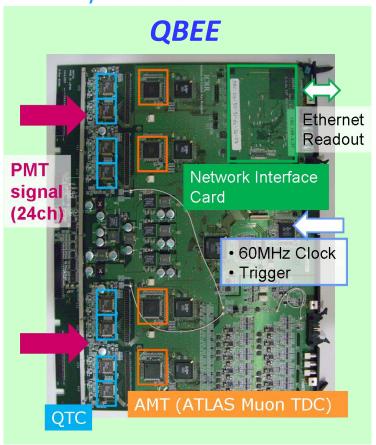
(*) QTC has 3 charge ranges to cover wide dynamic range (1:7:49)

TDC lowest bit

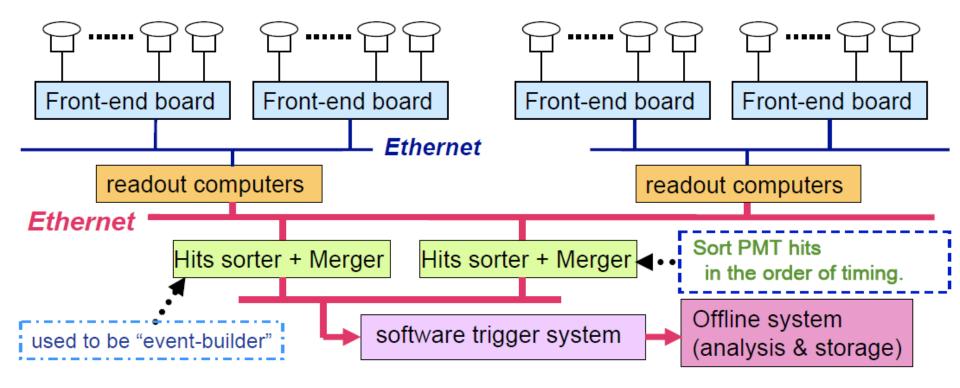
0.52 ns

Low power consumption

~< 1W / channel

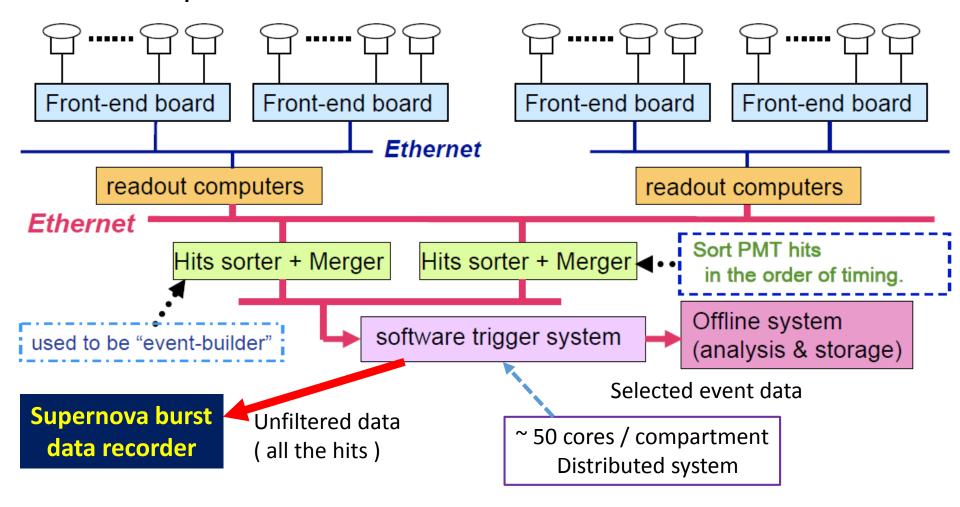


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- 1) Digitize all the signal (timing and charge) above ~ 1/4 p.e.
- 2) Read out timing and charge with the computers.
- 3) Define events with software and store the event data. Sort the hits in the order of timing and
 - a) search for the timing cluster, and
 - b) apply reconstruction program for low E_v (recent work / improvements in SK)

6. Recent updates of the DAQ R&D



Record all the hit data before and after the supernova for ~ 60 sec.

Transfer all the data to single computer and keep them in the main memory for \sim 60 seconds. Once supernova burst candidate is identified, dump the data to the disk.

This also implemented in SK and now under the test.