

# Status of the HitDetection ASIC

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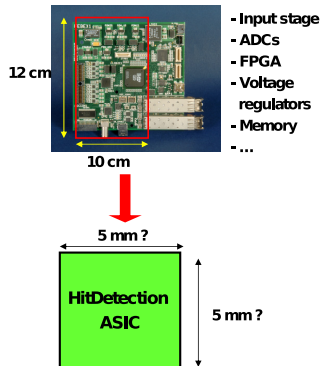
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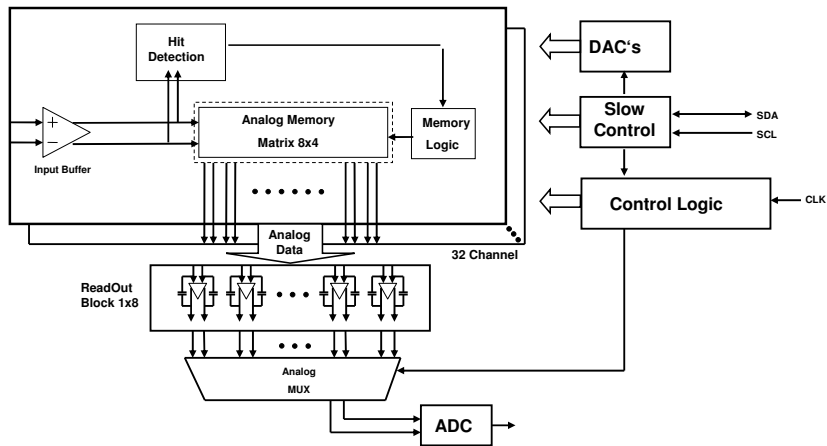
- ▶ Concept of HitDetection ASIC by Igor Konorov
- ▶ Multi purpose transient recorder ASIC
- ▶ Less external components
  - ▶ Higher reliability
  - ▶ Lower power consumption
  - ▶ Lower number of supply voltages
  - ▶ Cost reduction
- ▶ Radiation tolerance



# Requirements

- ▶ Sampling rate configurable up to 100 MS/s
- ▶ Dynamic range  $\leq 1000$
- ▶ Differential inputs
  - ▶ Input range:  $\pm 1$  V
  - ▶ Good common mode reduction over large range
- ▶ Event rate  $> 100$  kHz/ch
- ▶ Configurable number of samples / hit
- ▶ Self triggered operation

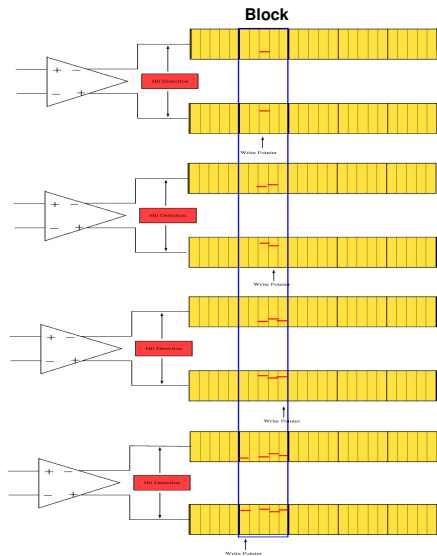
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## Analogue Signal Storage and Derandomisation

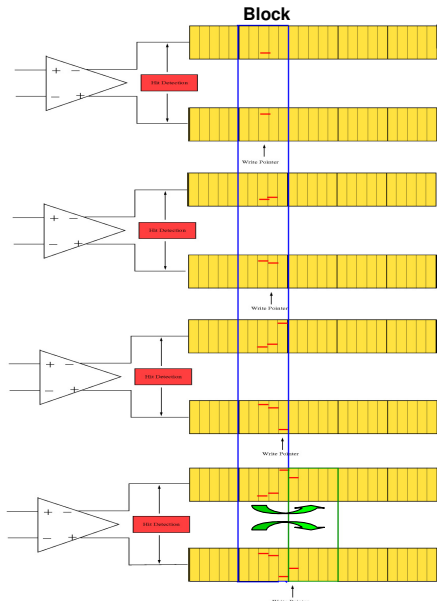
- ▶ Capacitor array used as analogue memory
- ▶ Analogue memory is divided into blocks with configurable size
- ▶ Signals from input receiver are sampled and stored at position of write pointer
- ▶ Write pointer circles inside of one block



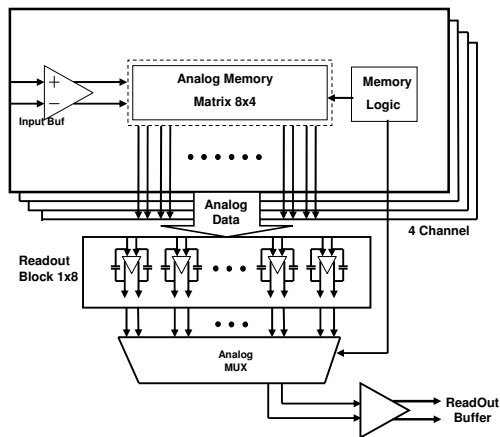
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## Analogue Signal Storage and Derandomisation

- ▶ Signals from particle energy deposits are detected by the hit detection unit
- ▶ Write pointer switches to the next memory block
- ▶ Signal transient is stored in previous block
- ▶ Analogue readout when shared ADC is available
- ▶ Block is available again for signal storage



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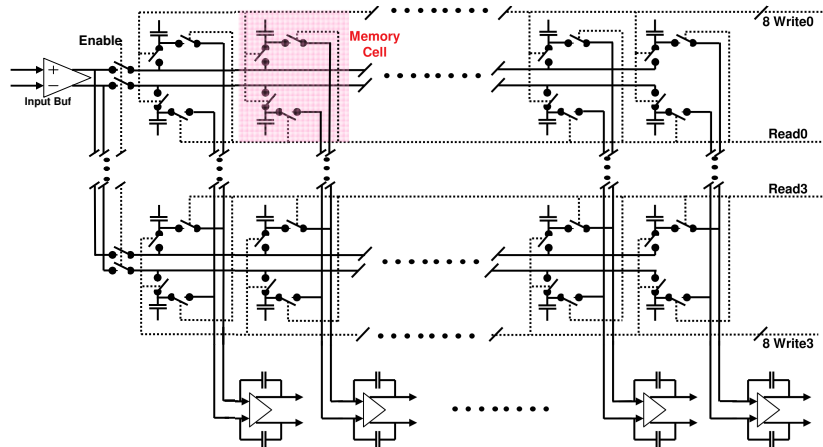


- ▶ HitDetMEM 1.0 includes:
  - ▶ Differential input buffers
  - ▶ External trigger
  - ▶ Analogue memory
  - ▶ Differential integrator
  - ▶ Analogue output multiplexer
- ▶ UMC 180 nm CMOS
- ▶ Chip size:  
 $3240 \times 1525 \mu\text{m}^2$



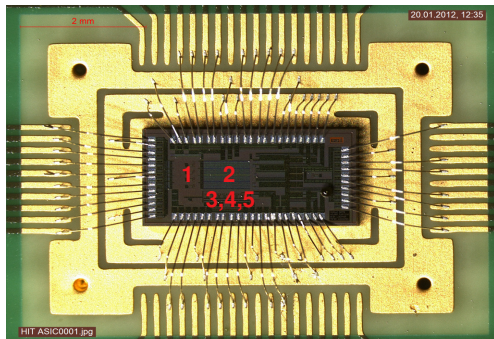
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## Channel Memory Matrix



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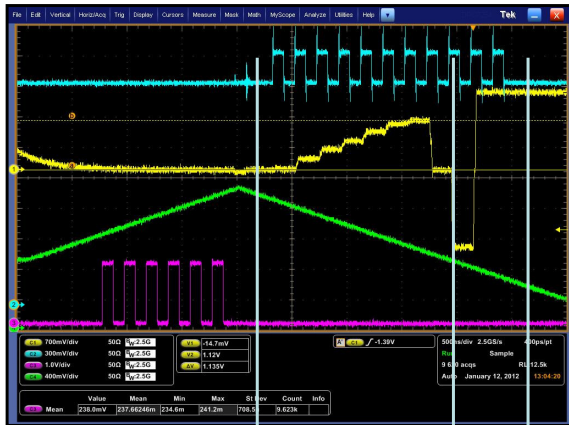
## Functional Tests



- 1 Differential input buffer  $\Rightarrow$  works
- 2 Analogue memory  $\Rightarrow$  works
- 3 Differential integrator  $\Rightarrow$  works
- 4 Analogue multiplexer  $\Rightarrow$  works with limitations
- 5 Output buffer  $\Rightarrow$  works

# First Testchip: HitDetMEM1.0

## Functional Tests



MuxClk (blue)

Analog out (yellow)

Input (+) ramp (green)

S - Clk (violet)

Analog data

Digital

# First Testchip: HitDetMEM1.0

## Summary of Test Results

- ▶ Input stage needs improvement in speed
- ▶ Sampling rate of 100 MS/s is obtained
- ▶ Quantitative measurements of noise not possible due to improper power connection of analogue multiplexer

⇒ Second test chip HitDetMEM2.0

- ▶ Four different improved input stages
- ▶ Power connection of analogue multiplexer

# Outlook

- ▶ HitDetMem2.0 was submitted Oct 2012 and is currently under test
- ▶ Very critical part: Hit detection unit
  - ▶ Should be able to detect hits in pile-up-situation
  - ▶  $\Rightarrow$  needs a differentiating characteristics
- ▶ 12 bit pipeline ADC under development
- ▶ First full HitDetection ASIC prototype planned for end of 2013 / early 2014