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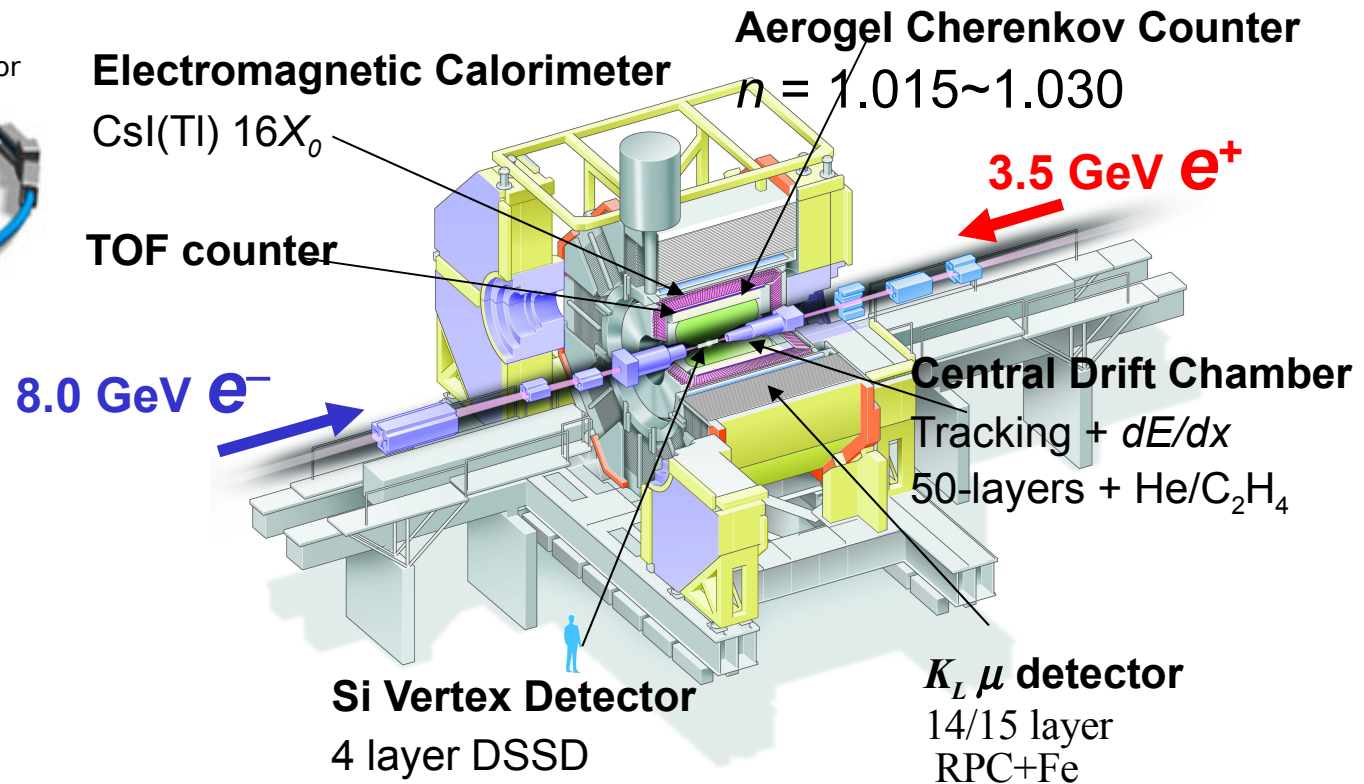
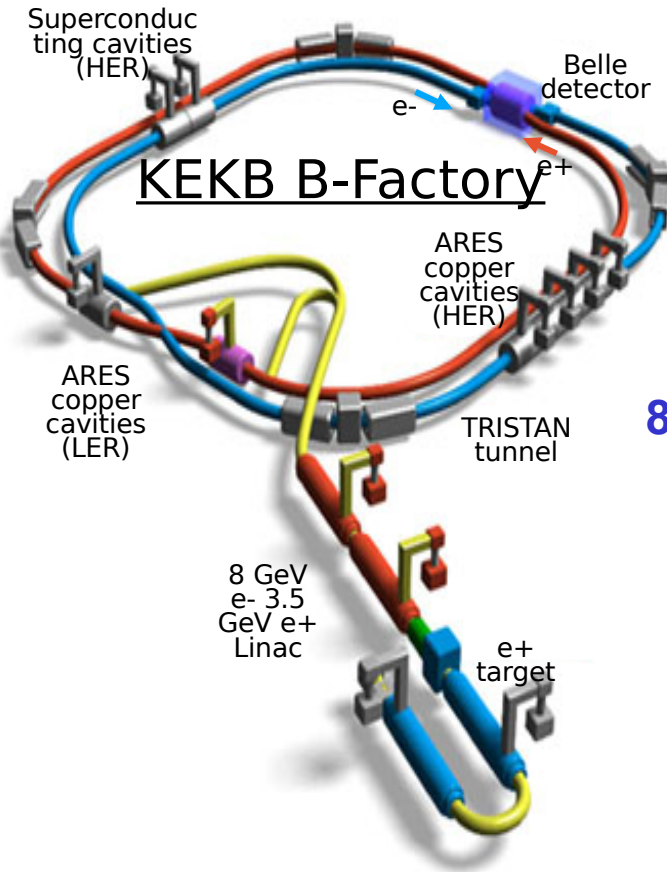
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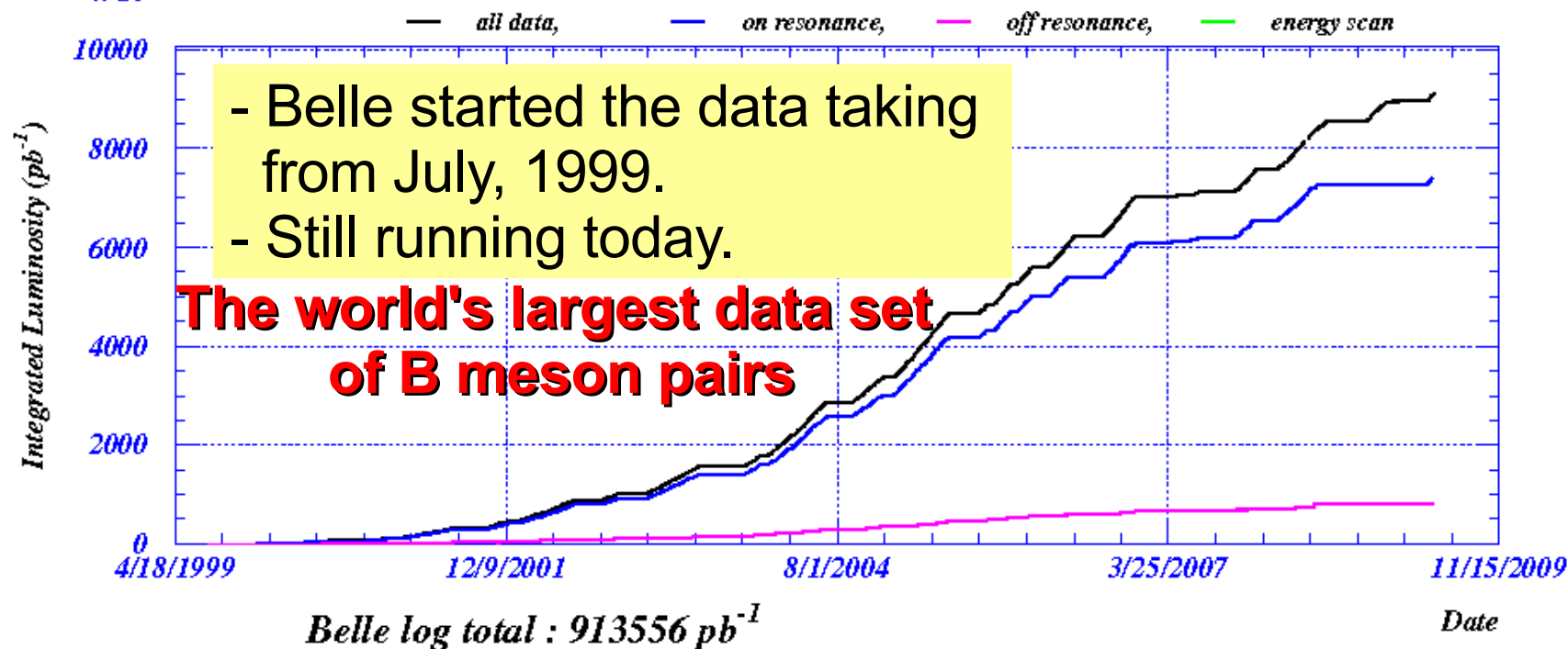
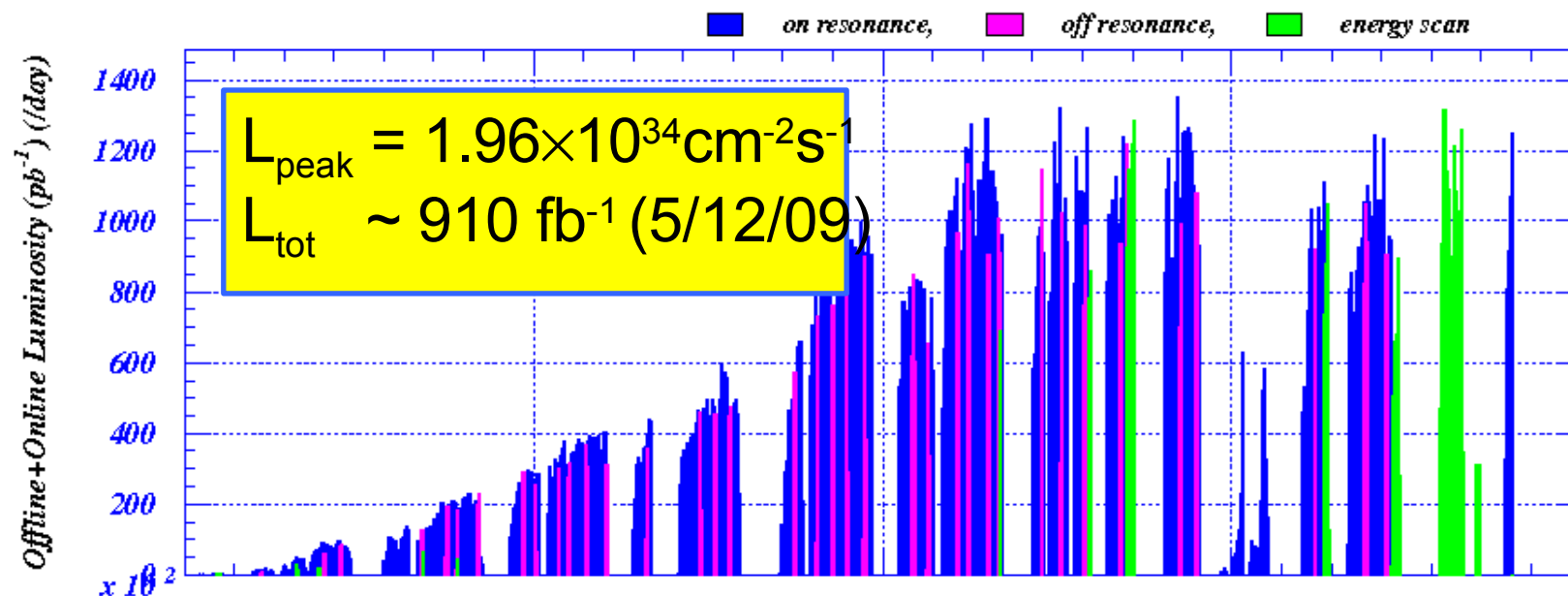
# 1. Introduction

KEKB Accelerator

Belle Detector



- The primary goal of the Belle experiment is to study the CP violation in B meson decays produced by the KEBB accelerator
- Many physics results already.
  - \* Observation of CP violation in 2001 led 2008 Nobel prize to Profs. Kobayashi and Maskawa



## Belle DAQ :10 year operation

- The key of the experiment is to collect as much as larger data set of B meson decays.
- Serious competition with PEP-II/BaBar

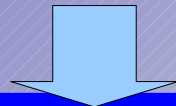


Continuous effort for

- Dead time reduction
- Stable operation over a long run period more than 10 years. was required for DAQ.

However,

- \* Original DAQ design was based on 90's technologies which were hard to maintain. -> unstable, large dead time ... at the beginning
- \* Long running time to accumulate statistics ( up to 10 full months/yr)  
-> no long shutdown was allowed for the upgrade
- \* Need to keep up with the technology innovations over 10 years....



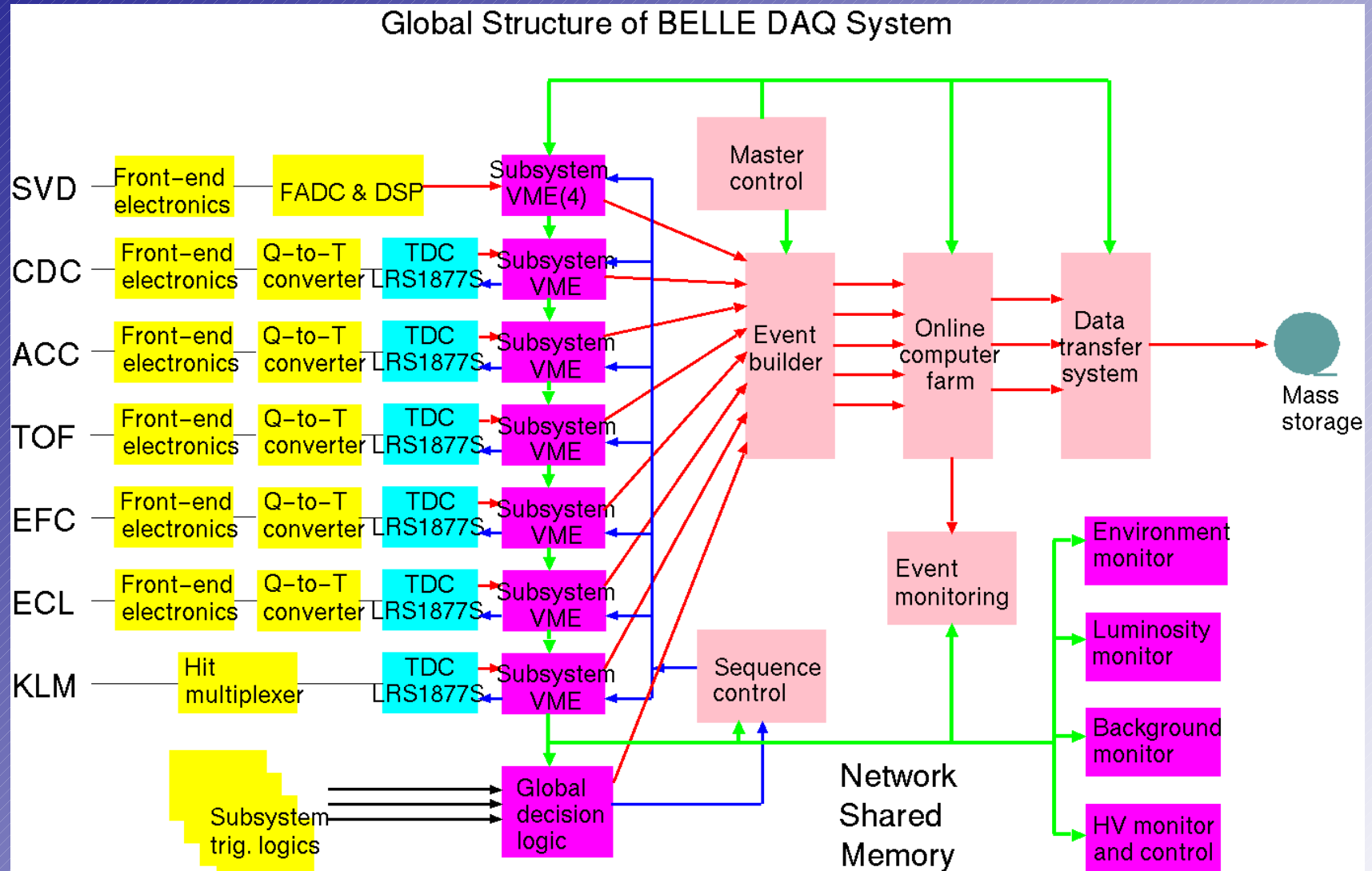
“Continuous” upgrade utilizing short vacations in summer and winter

# 2. History of Belle DAQ

## 2.1 Early days (1999)

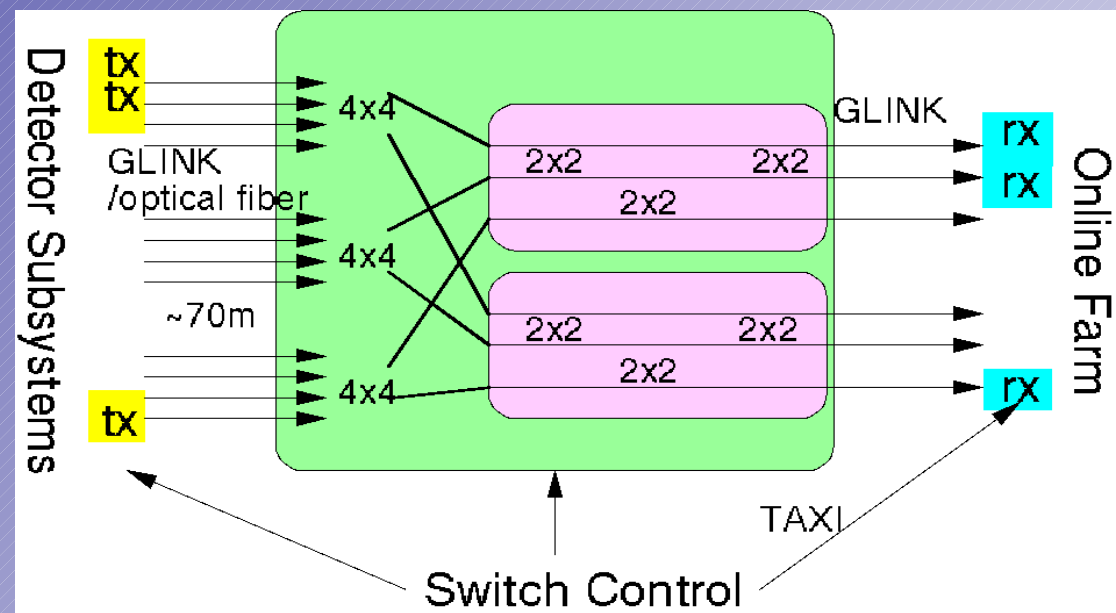
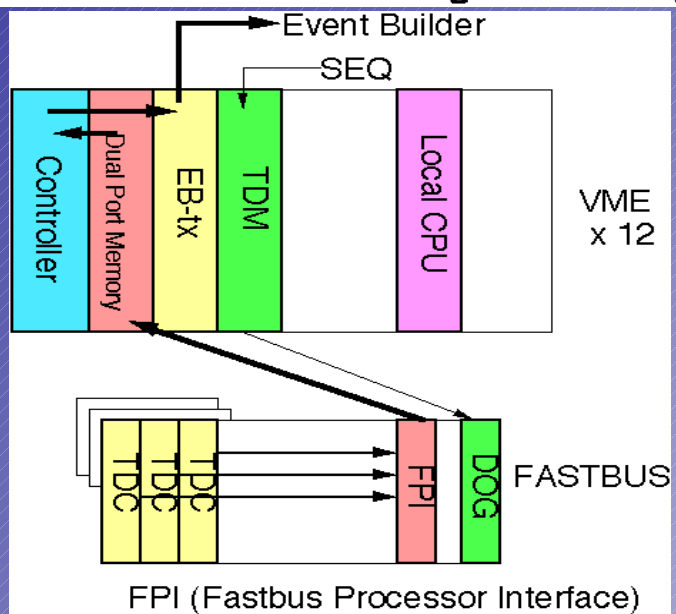
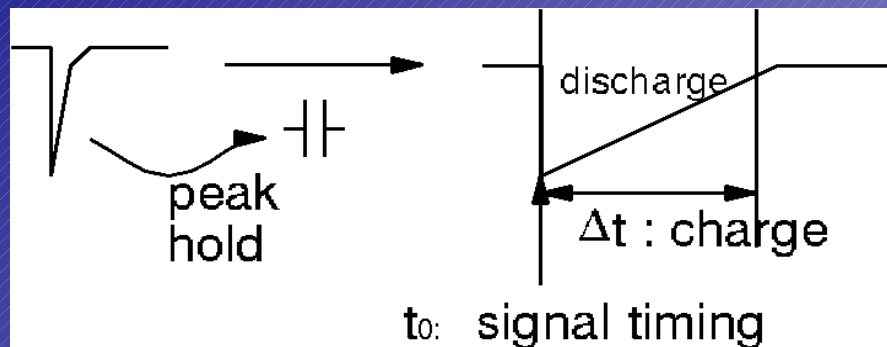
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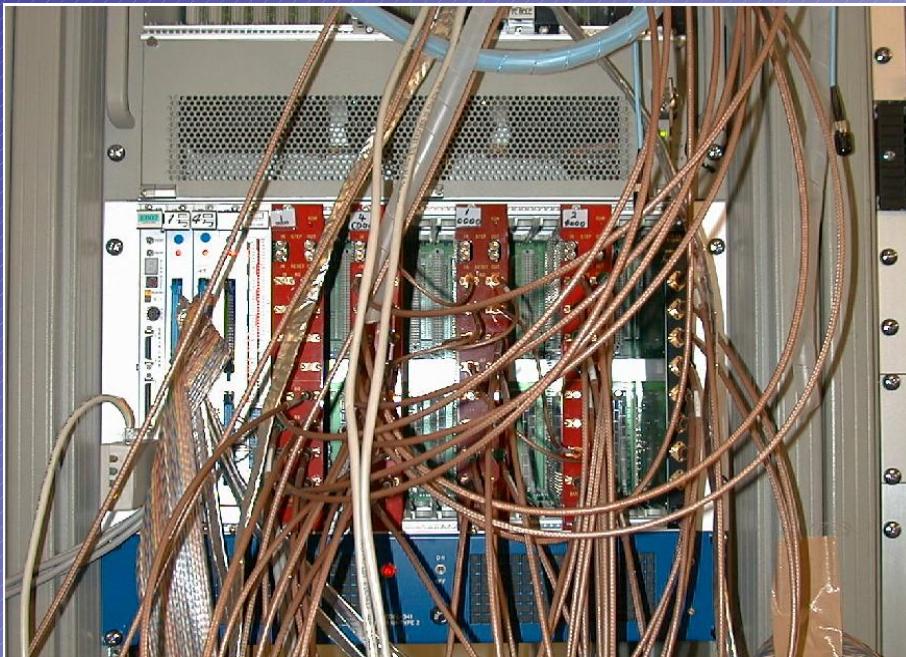
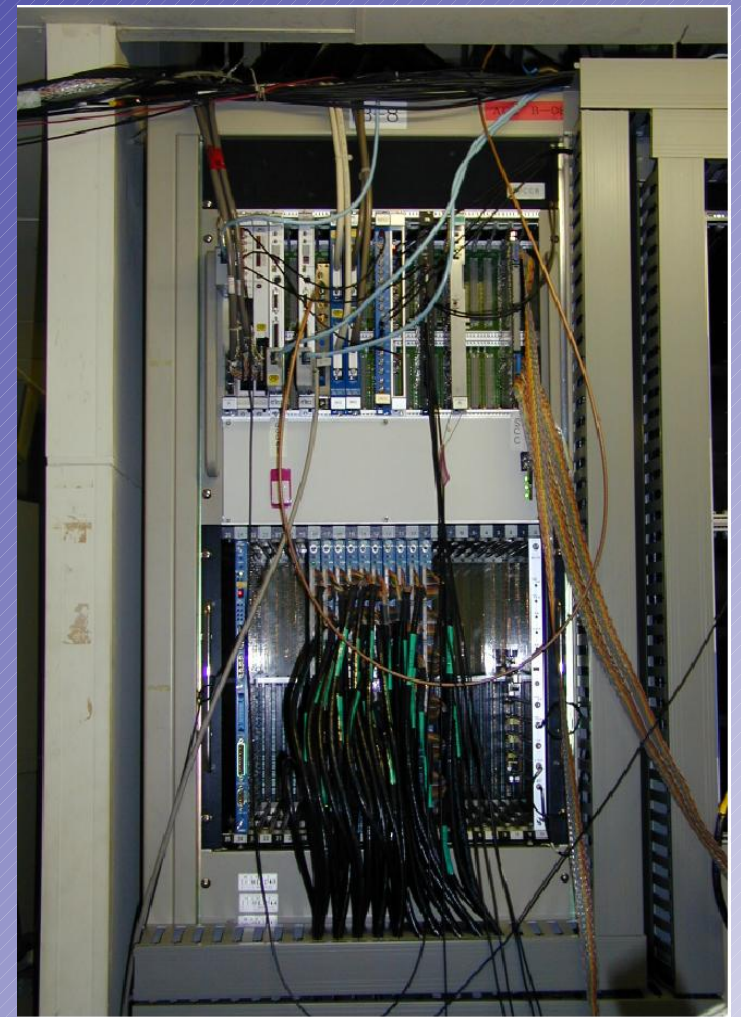
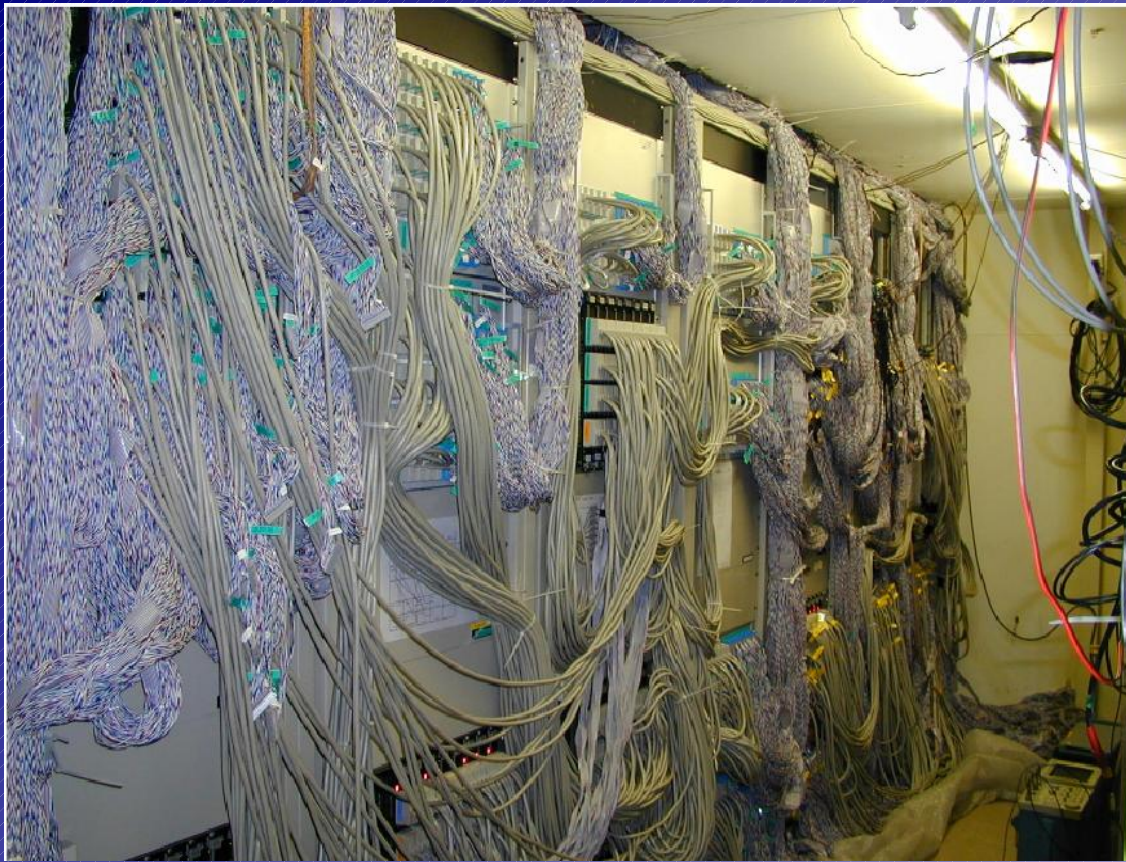
- L1 trigger rate : 200Hz (typical), 500Hz (max)
- Raw data size : 30KB/event

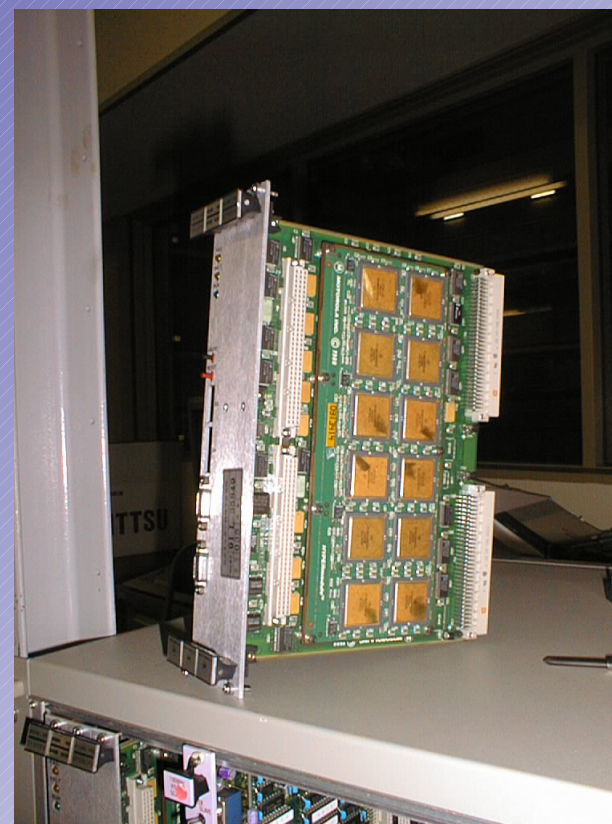
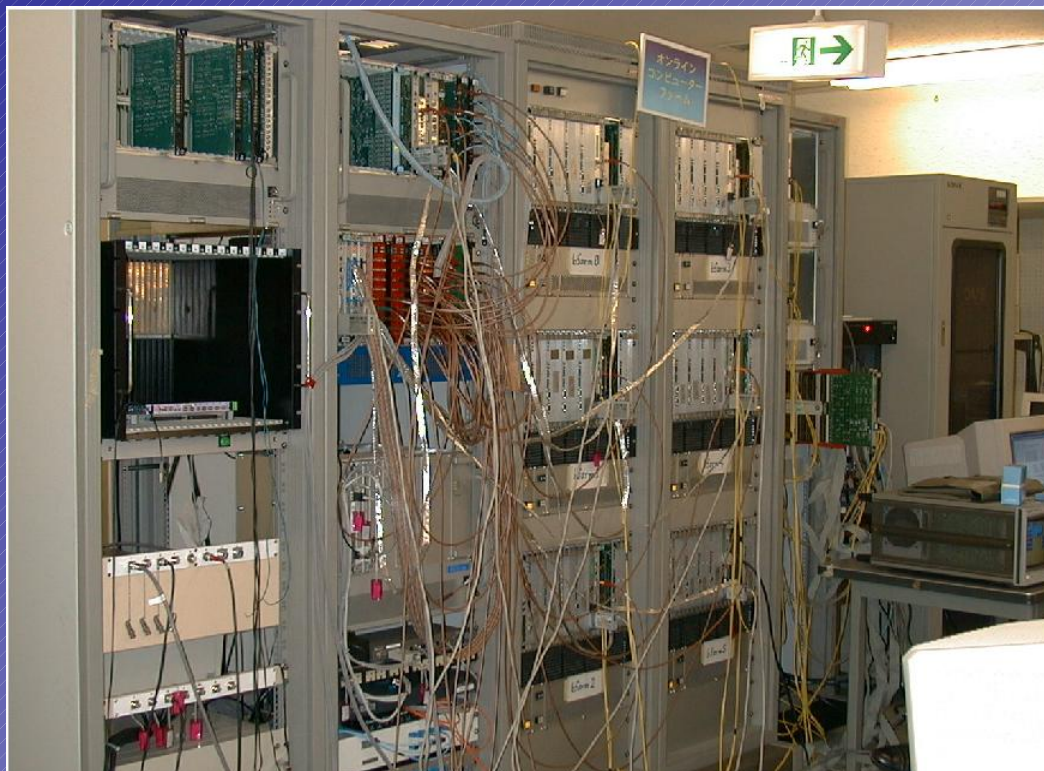
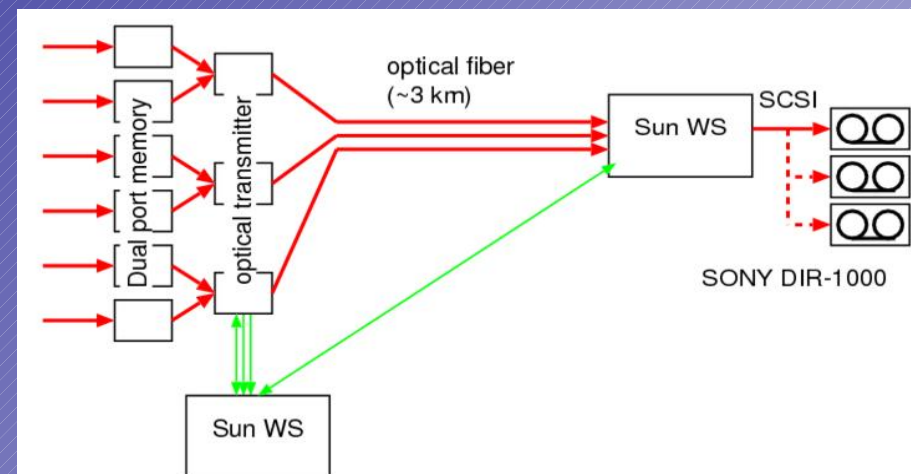
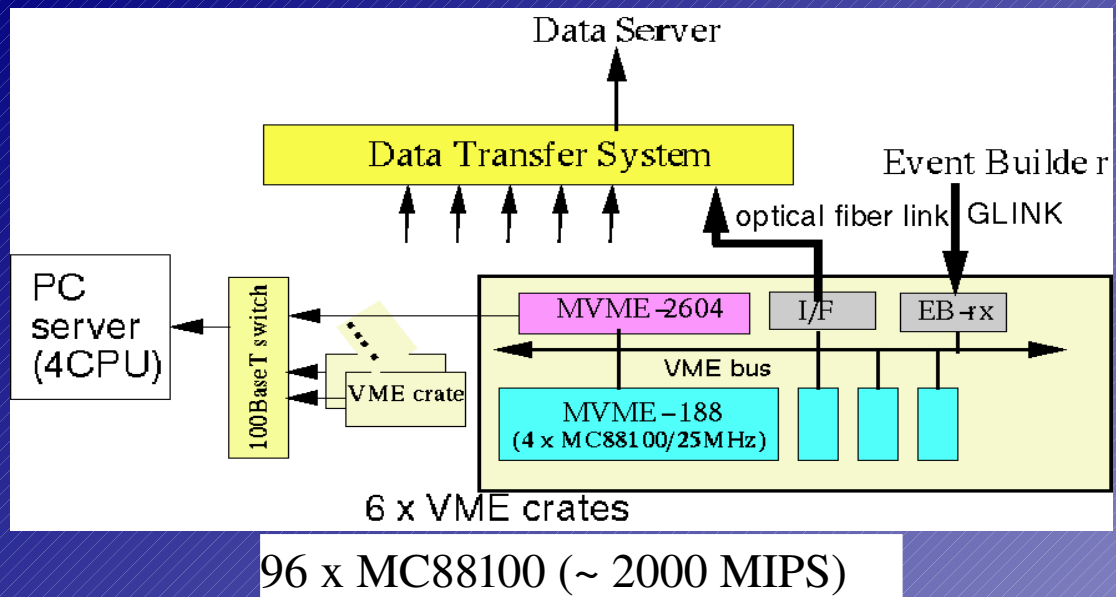


Used techniques : based on 90's technology – proprietary hardware  
*IT technologies were not available yet.*

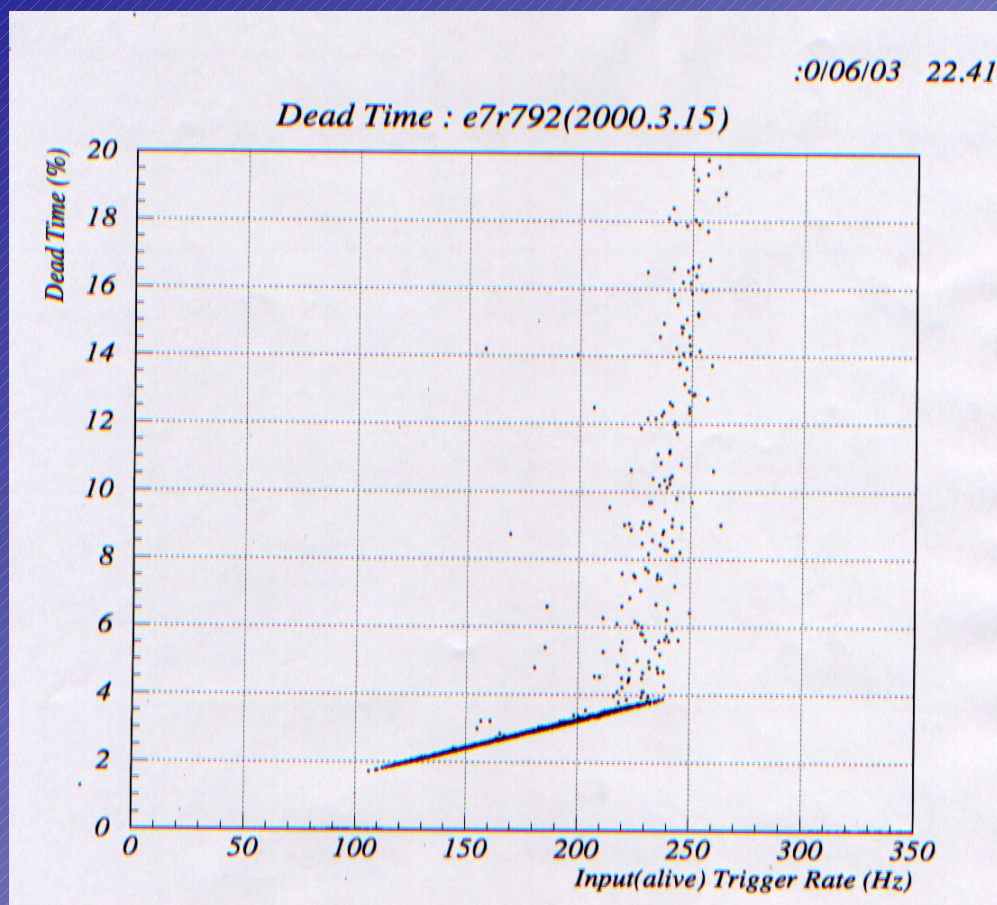
- Unified readout based on Q-to-T conversion + FASTBUS TDCs
- Readout was not pipelined
- Custom designed event builder (barrel switch + G-link)
- Level 3 trigger farm utilizing industrial VME CPU boards
- Data storage using digital video tape used for broadcasting







## Dead time fraction vs. L1 trigger rate in 2000

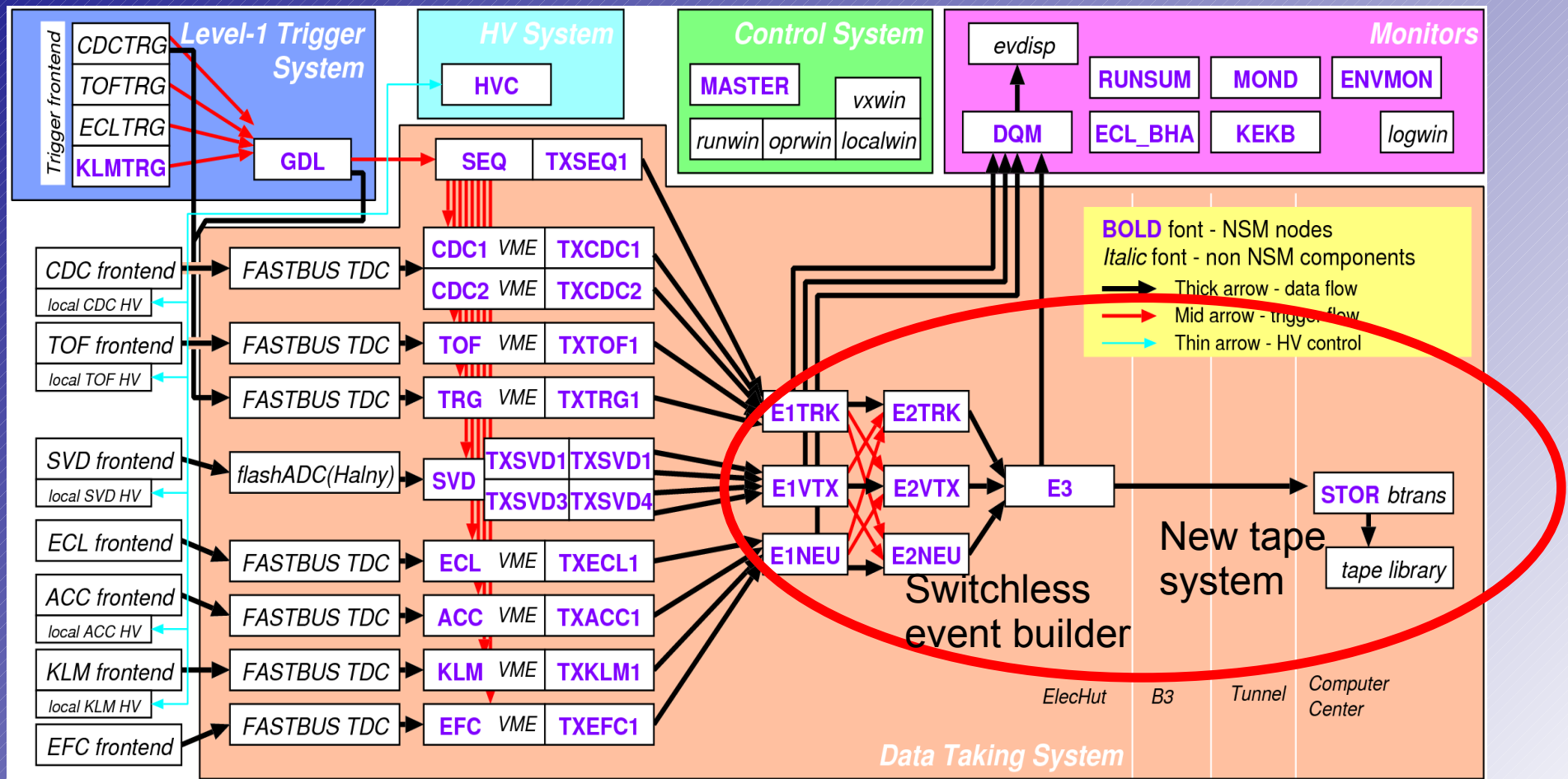


- \* DAQ dead time of  $\sim 3\%$  at 200Hz.
- \* Performance saturation @  $\sim 240$  Hz due to a lack of processing power of online farm.
- \* Most of subsystems consisted of proprietary hardware  
-> difficult to maintain for a long period

➔ Upgrade required!

## 2.2 2001 upgrade: transition to commodity

- Event builder, L3 farm and data transfer system were replaced with network-connected PC servers in 2001.
  - <- Utilize commodity technologies (PC, 100BaseT, GbE....)



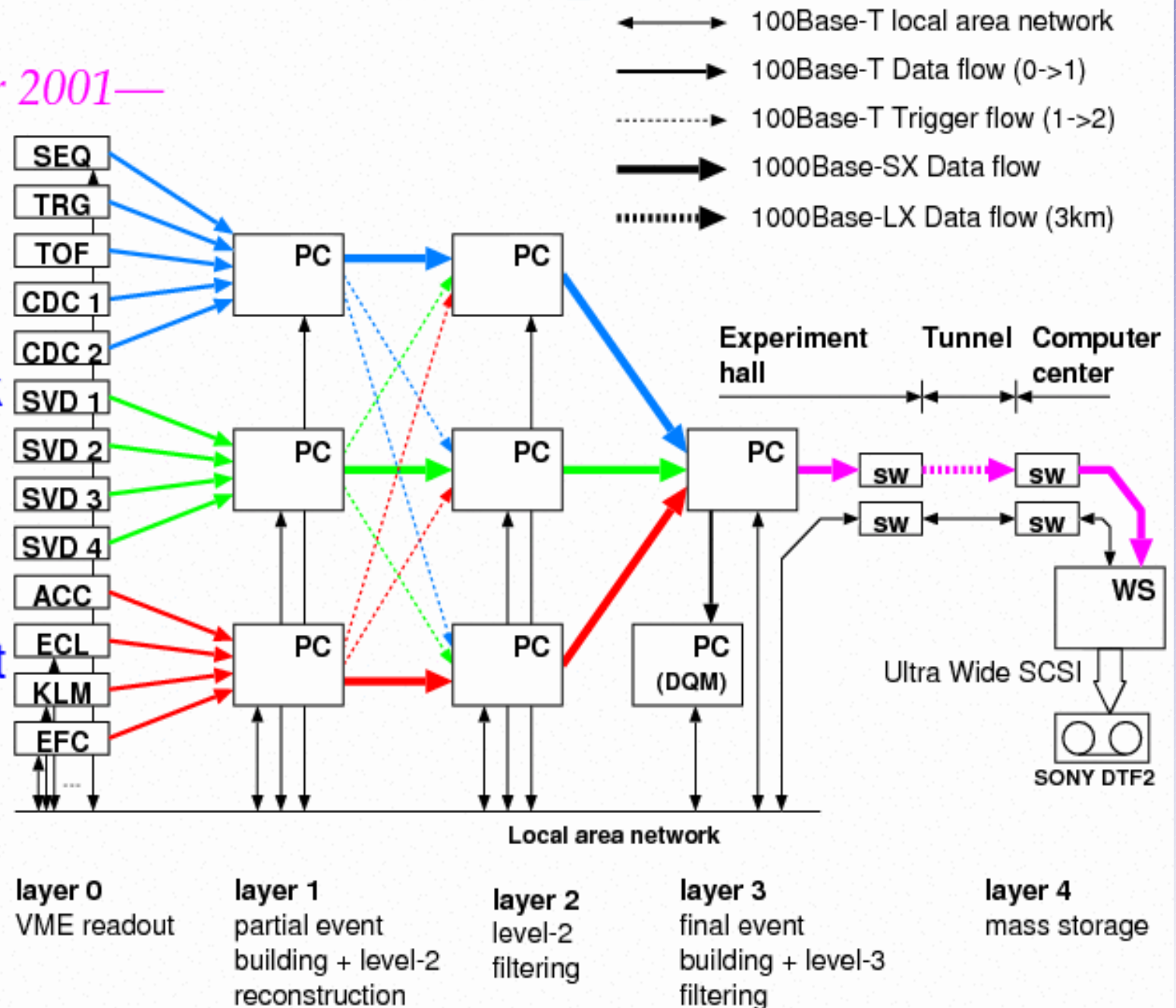
# Switchless event building farm

*Since Summer 2001—*

Fast PC +  
Fast network

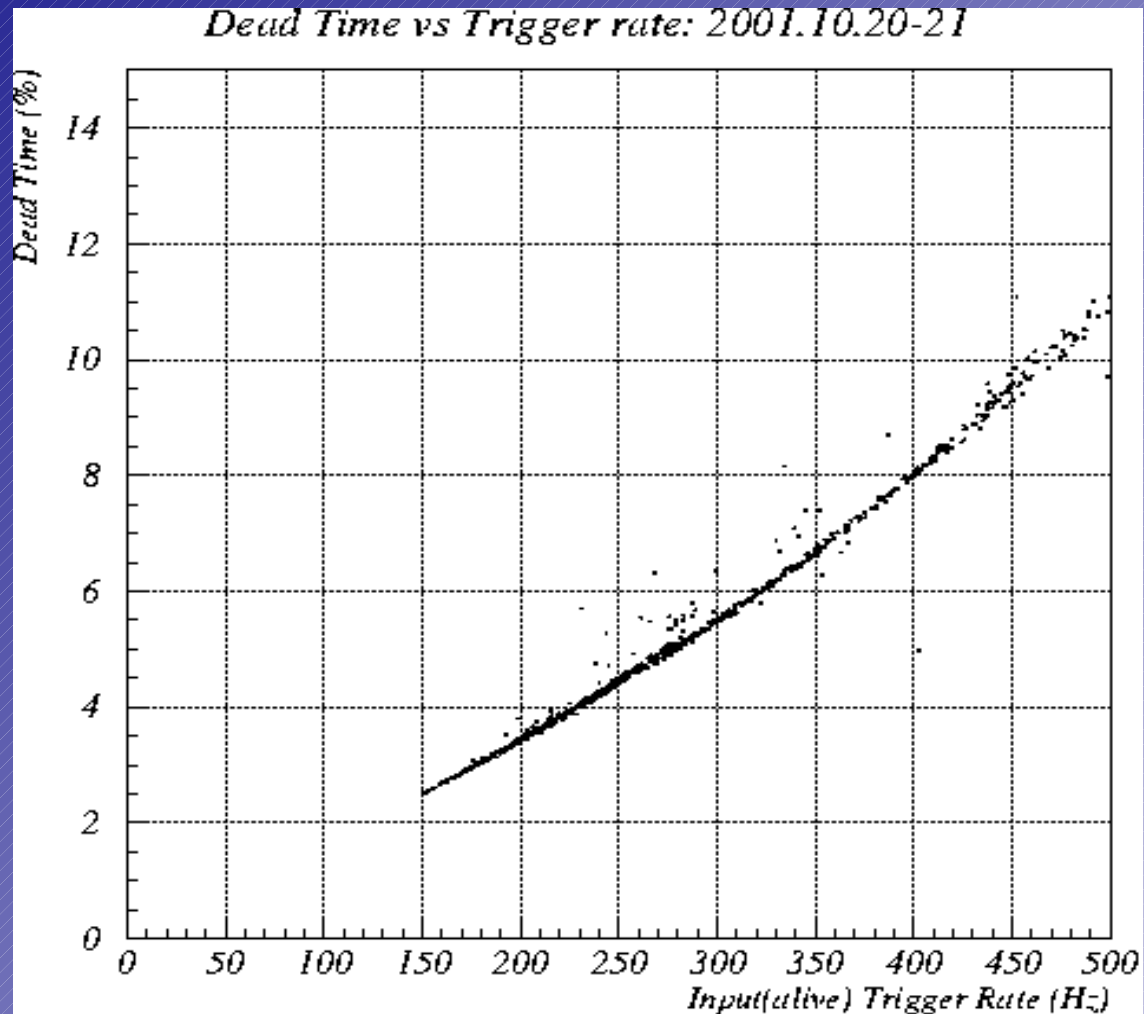
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No switch!  
point-to-point



PC: 700MHz Quad Xeon, L2.5 trigger software on layer 1 nodes.

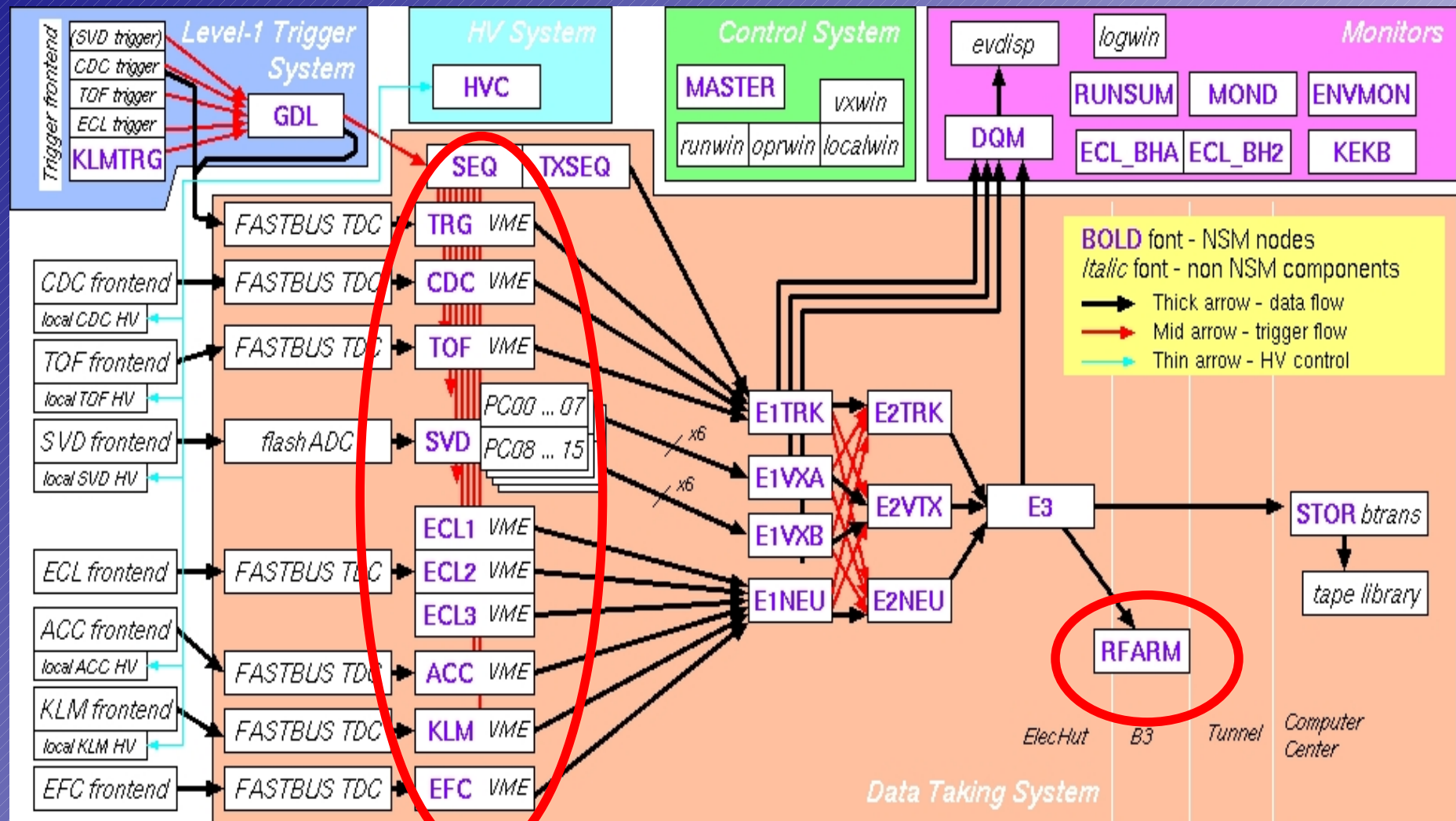
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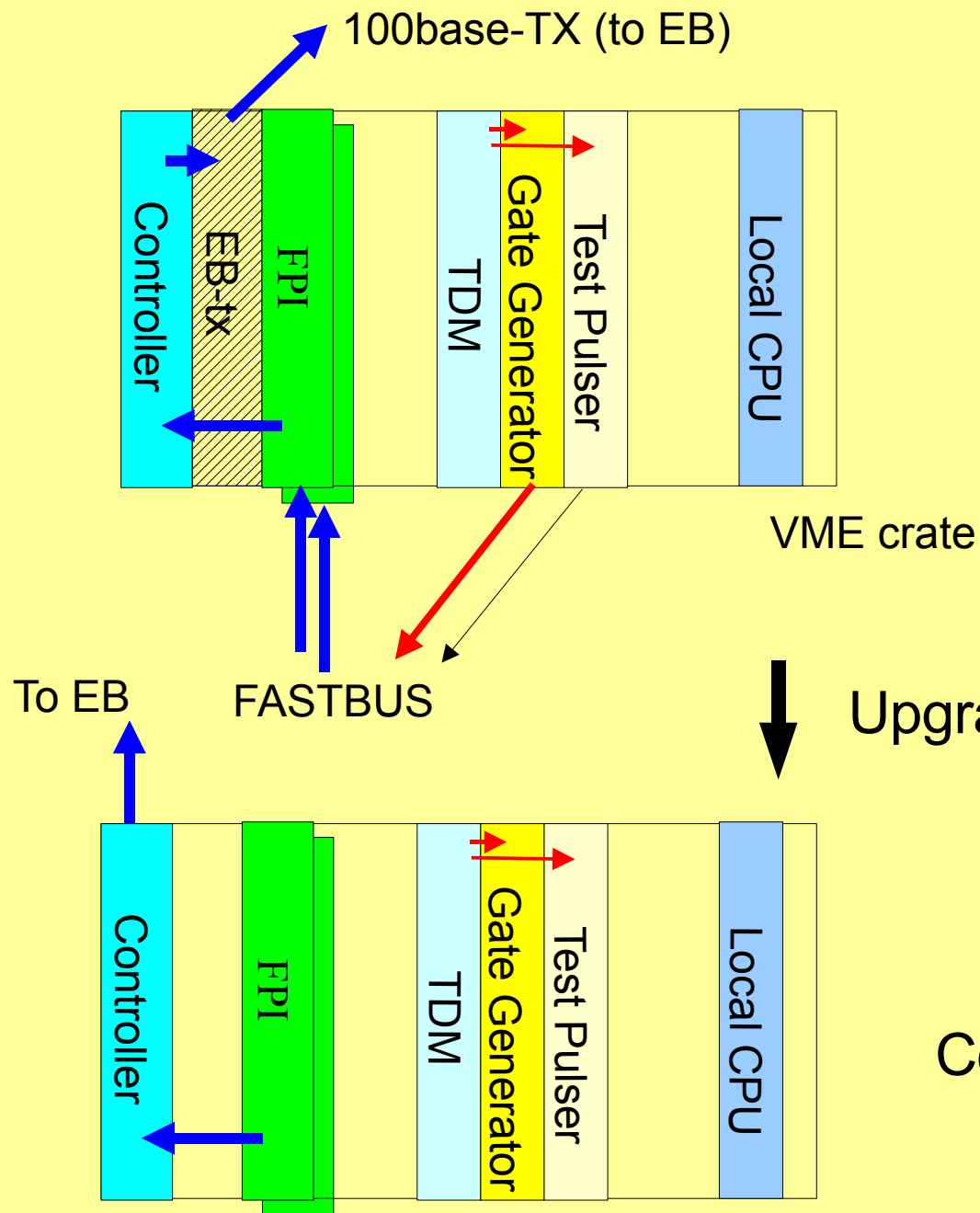
- \* No performance saturation up to 500Hz.
  - > Initial design performance was achieved
- However,
- \* Dead time is still large (>5%) at >300Hz.

## 2.3 2003 upgrade : faster and more intelligence

- Speed up of FASTBUS readout
- Addition of real-time reconstruction farm (RFARM)



## "Faster FASTBUS Readout"



2-fold DMA:

FPI -> Controller

Controller -> EB-tx

(Event builder I/F)

source of intrinsic readout time

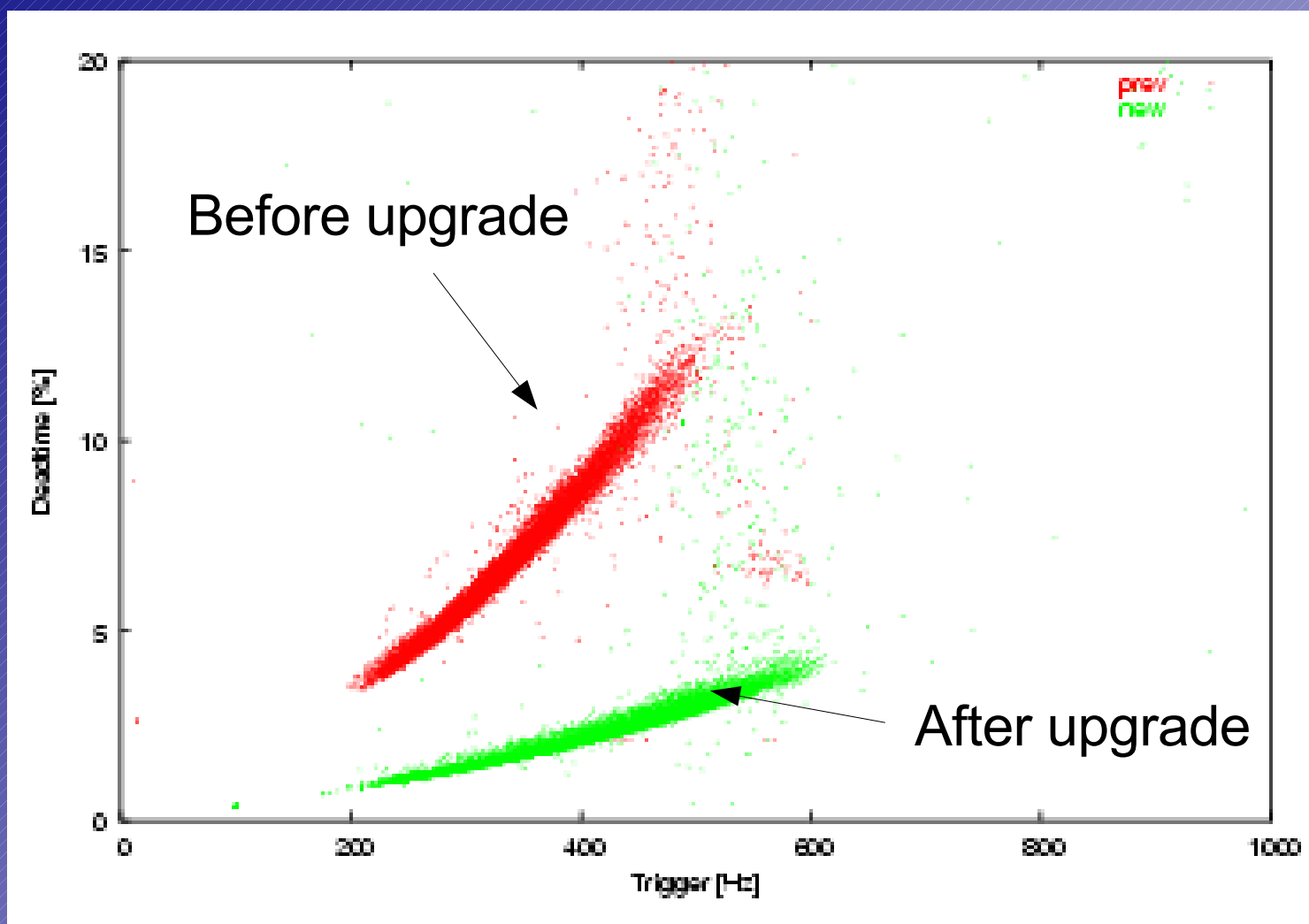
Controller : MVME162  
(MC68040@25MHz)

1-way DMA:

FPI->Controller

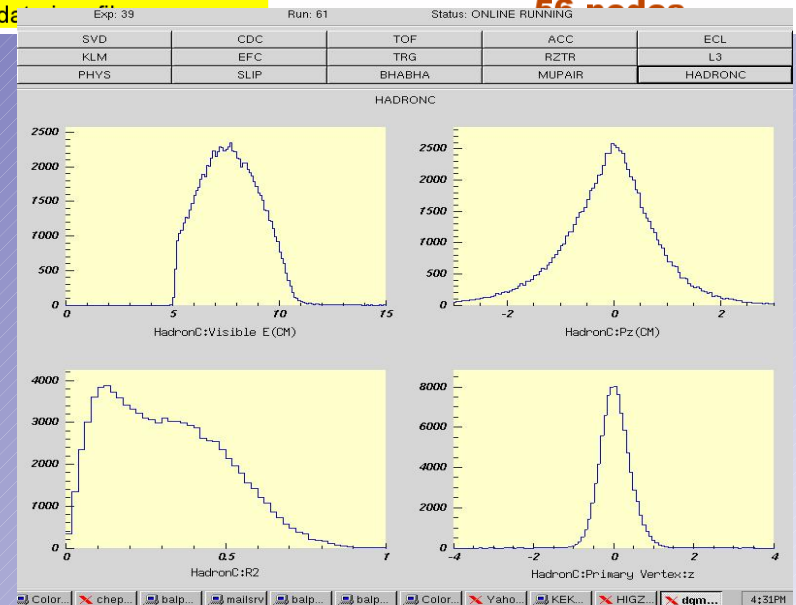
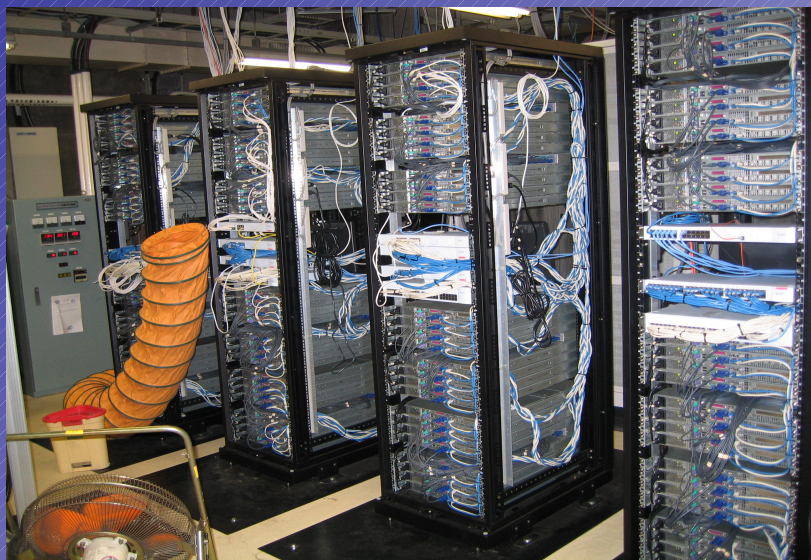
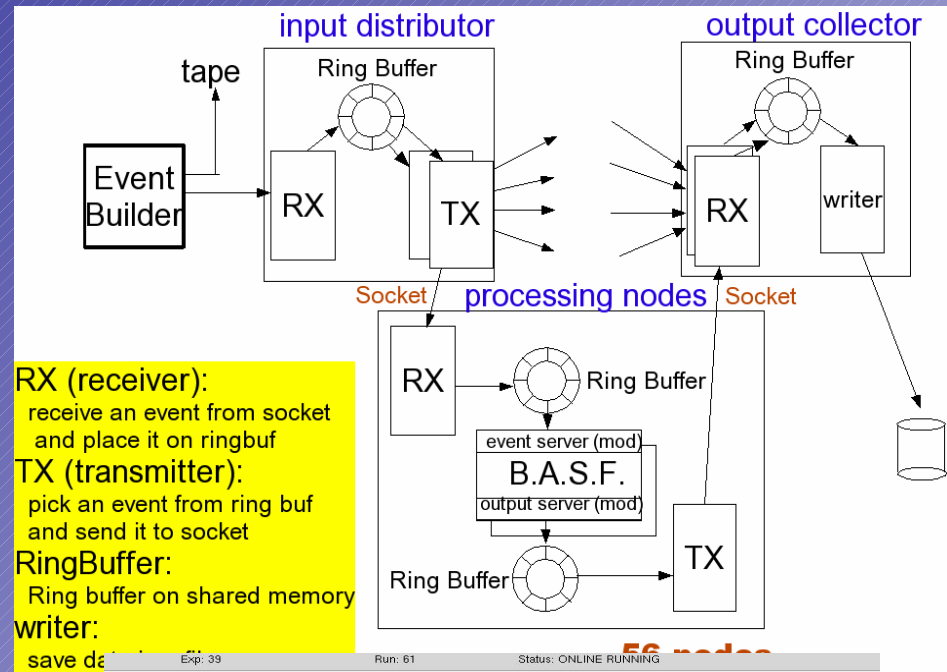
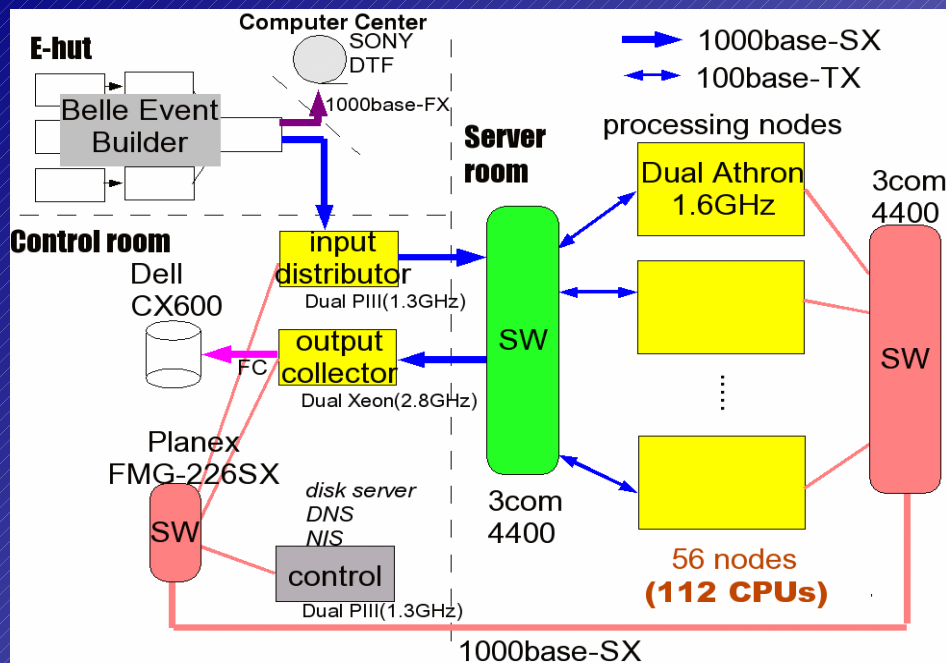
Controller : MVME5100  
(PowerPC(MPC750) @300MHz)  
w/ 100base-TX interface

## Dead time fraction vs. L1 trigger rate in 2003



\* Dead time fraction = 2% @ 300Hz, <5% @ 500Hz

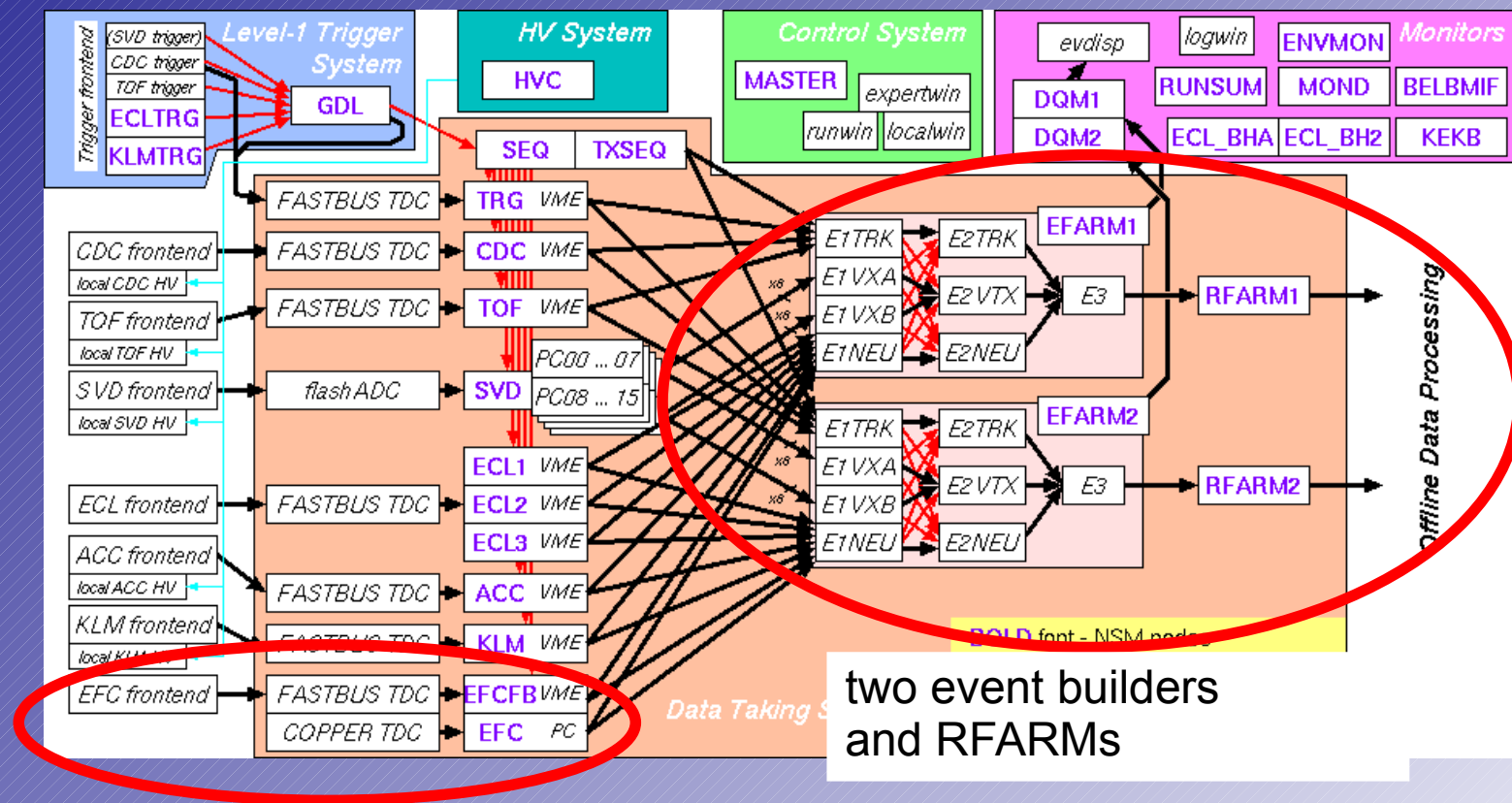
# RFARM



- The same offline event reconstruction for all taken events in real time -> real time feedback of event vertex to accelerator  
=> *greatly contributed to increase the luminosity*

## 2.4 2005 upgrade : preparation for higher luminosity

- Duplexing of event builder + RFARM for the preparation of higher trigger rate up to 1kHz
- Stop tape recording and switch to direct RAID recording
- Start testing of pipeline readout with COPPER

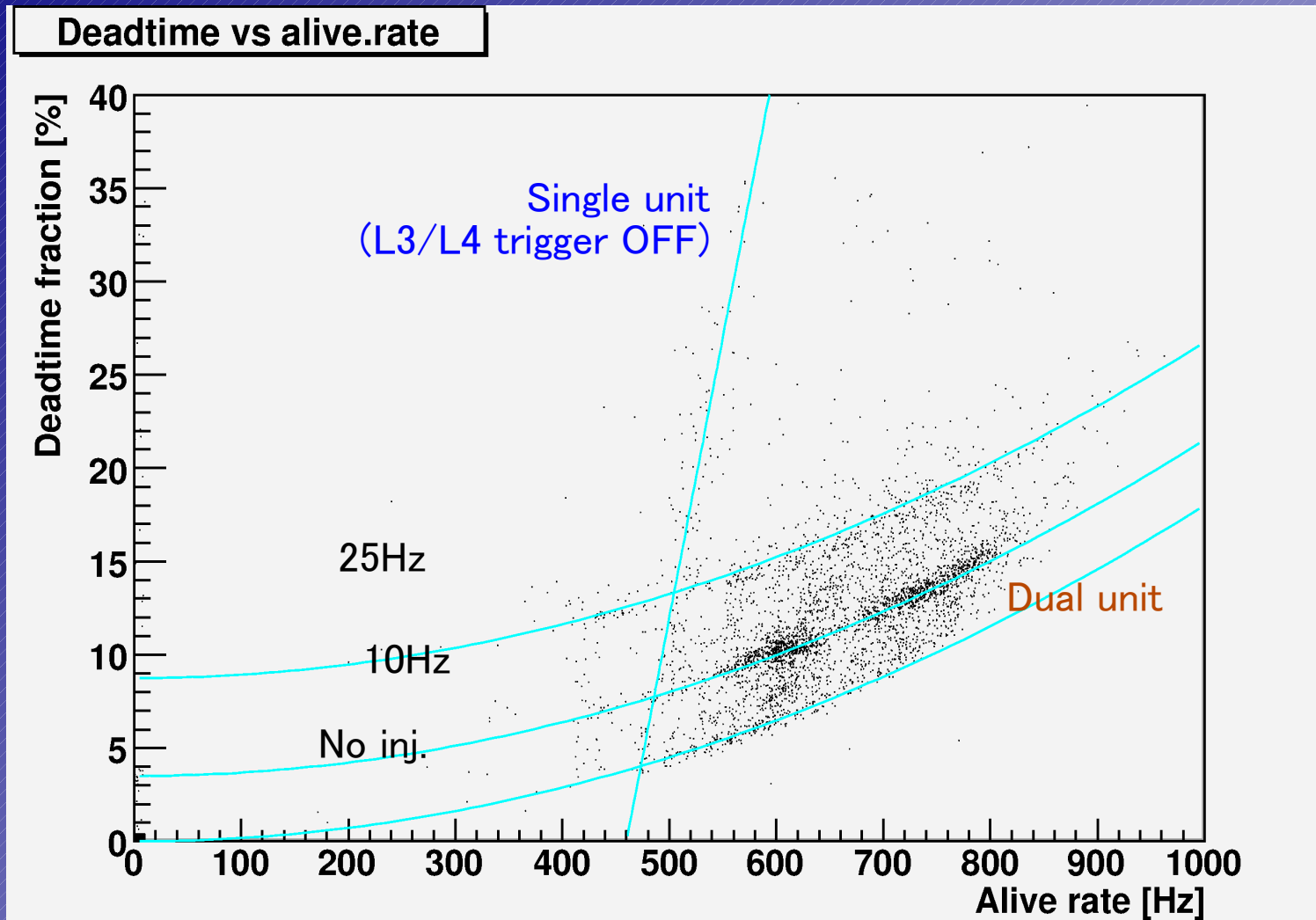


COPPER readout for EFC  
(for the system test in beam)

## Transfer Network Matrix + Event Builder 1 and 2



## Dead time fraction vs. L1 trigger rate in 2005

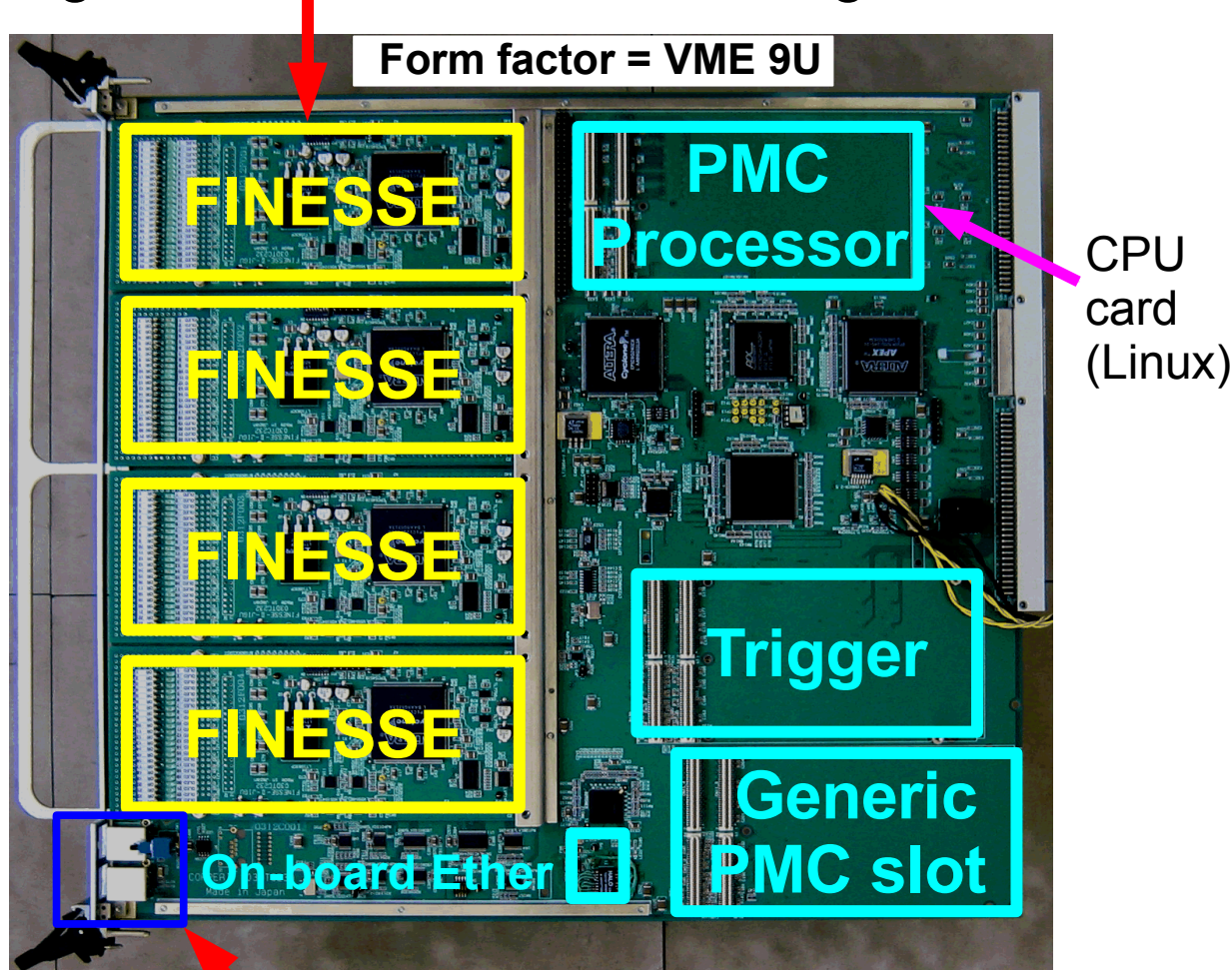


- \* Continuous injection : 3.5ms/injection deadtime -> +3.5%@10Hz
- \* Data taken on Y(2S) with loosened trigger condition
- \* “fault-tolerant” operation of event builder and RFARM.

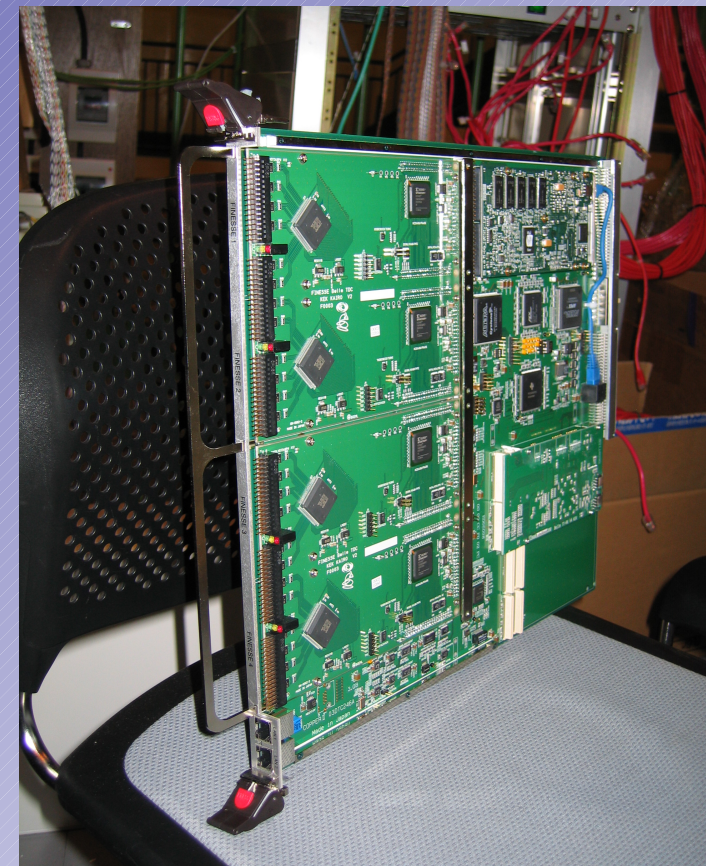
## 2.5 2007 upgrade and after : finally pipelined

- Replacement of FASTBUS TDCs with pipelined ones.
- Pipeline TDC was developed based on “COPPER” platform which is a general purpose pipeline readout board developed at KEK.

digitizers are mounted as daughter cards



Data transmission thru. 100base-T



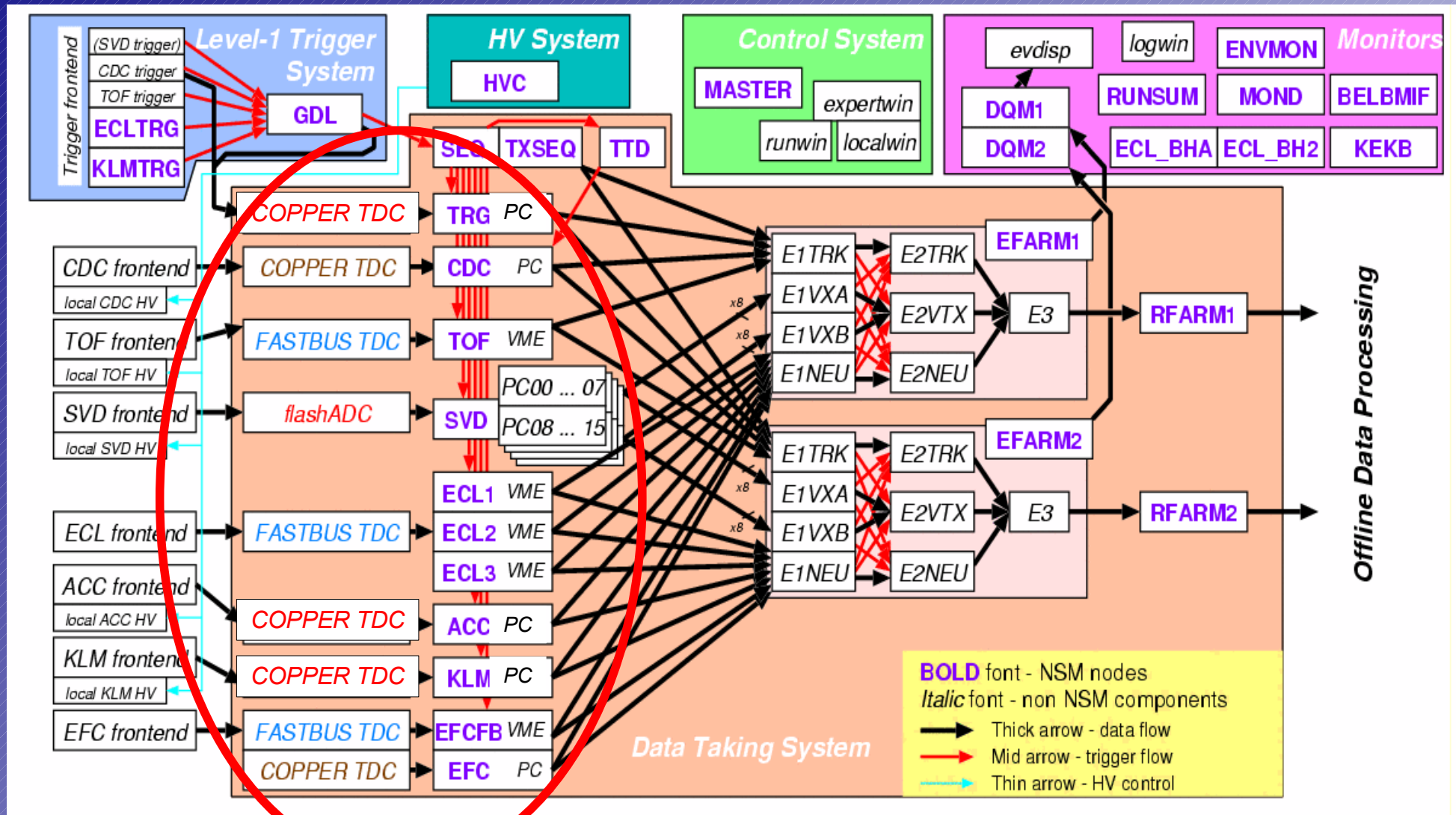
digitizer cards with  
AMT3 TDC chips

- \* Unified software framework is used for data processing in each level.

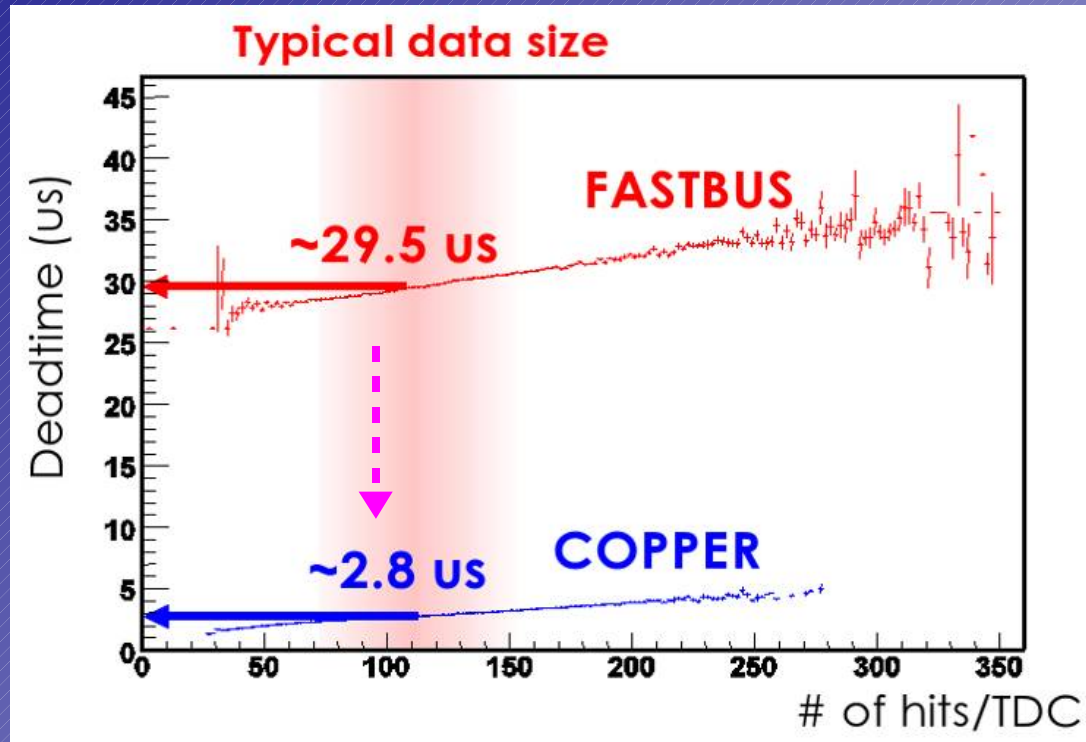
Local event builder



- \* The replacement with COPPER TDCs was performed gradually subsystem by subsystem starting from CDC in Jan. 2007.
- \* 5 subsystems out of 8 have been already replaced .  
-> ~150 COPPERs + 13 readout PCs



## Readout “busy” time vs. data size (# of hits)

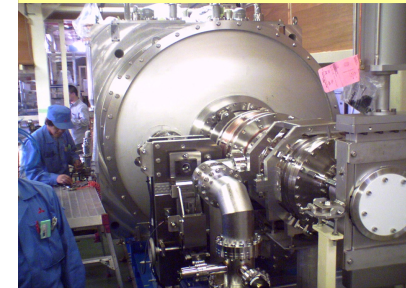


Dead time fraction of replaced systems has been reduced to  $< 1\%$  @ 1KHz.

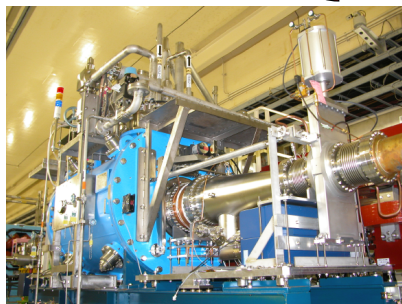
- FASTBUS readout still remains..... (TOF and ECL)  
-> planned to be replaced further, however.....

## 4. Go beyond: SuperKEKB and Belle II

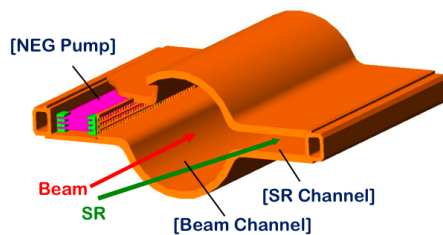
The upgrade of current KEKB accelerator to SuperKEKB is being planned for the further studies of  $B$  and other flavor physics.



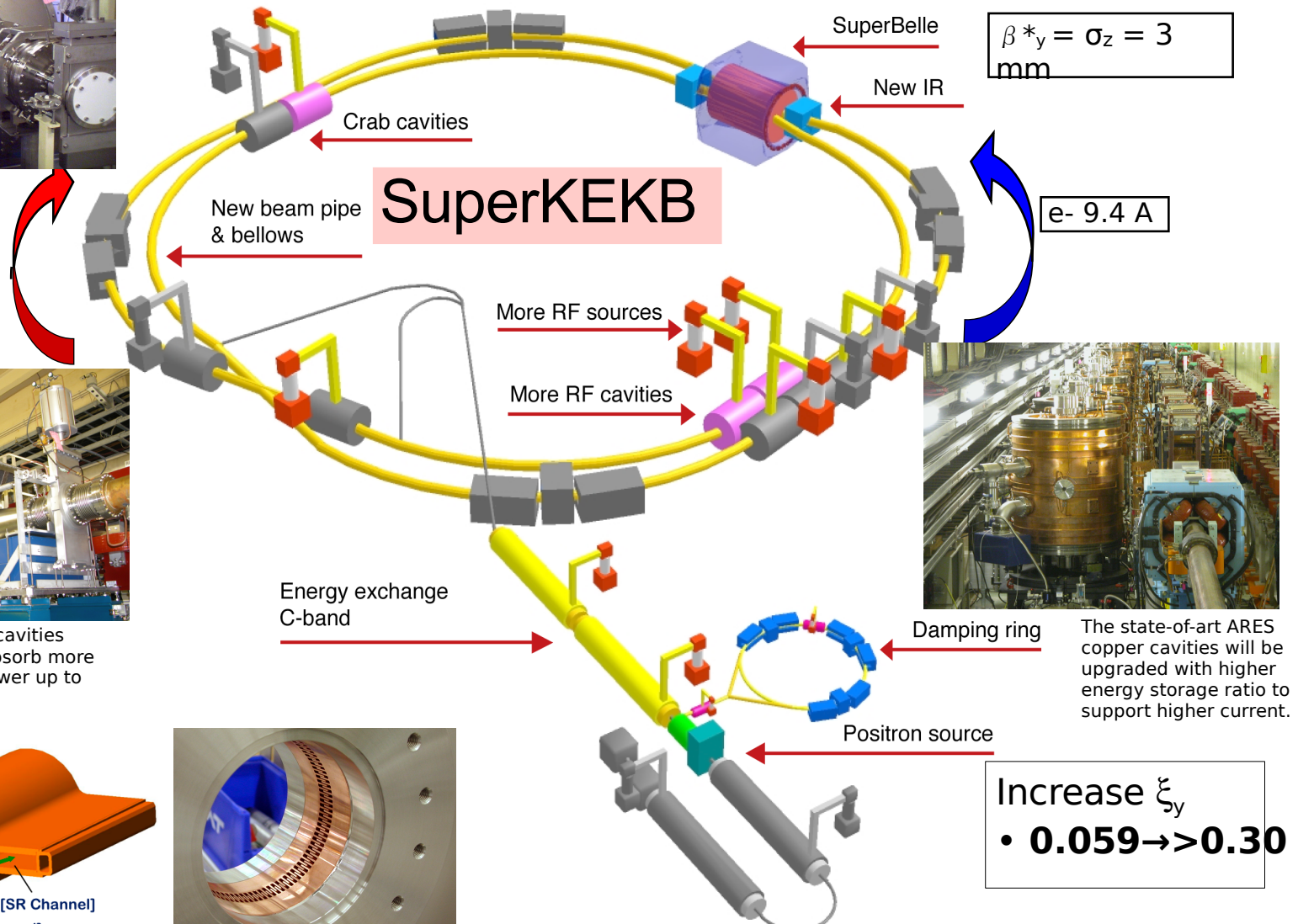
Crab cavities will be installed and tested with beam in 2006.



The superconducting cavities will be upgraded to absorb more higher-order mode power up to 50 kW.

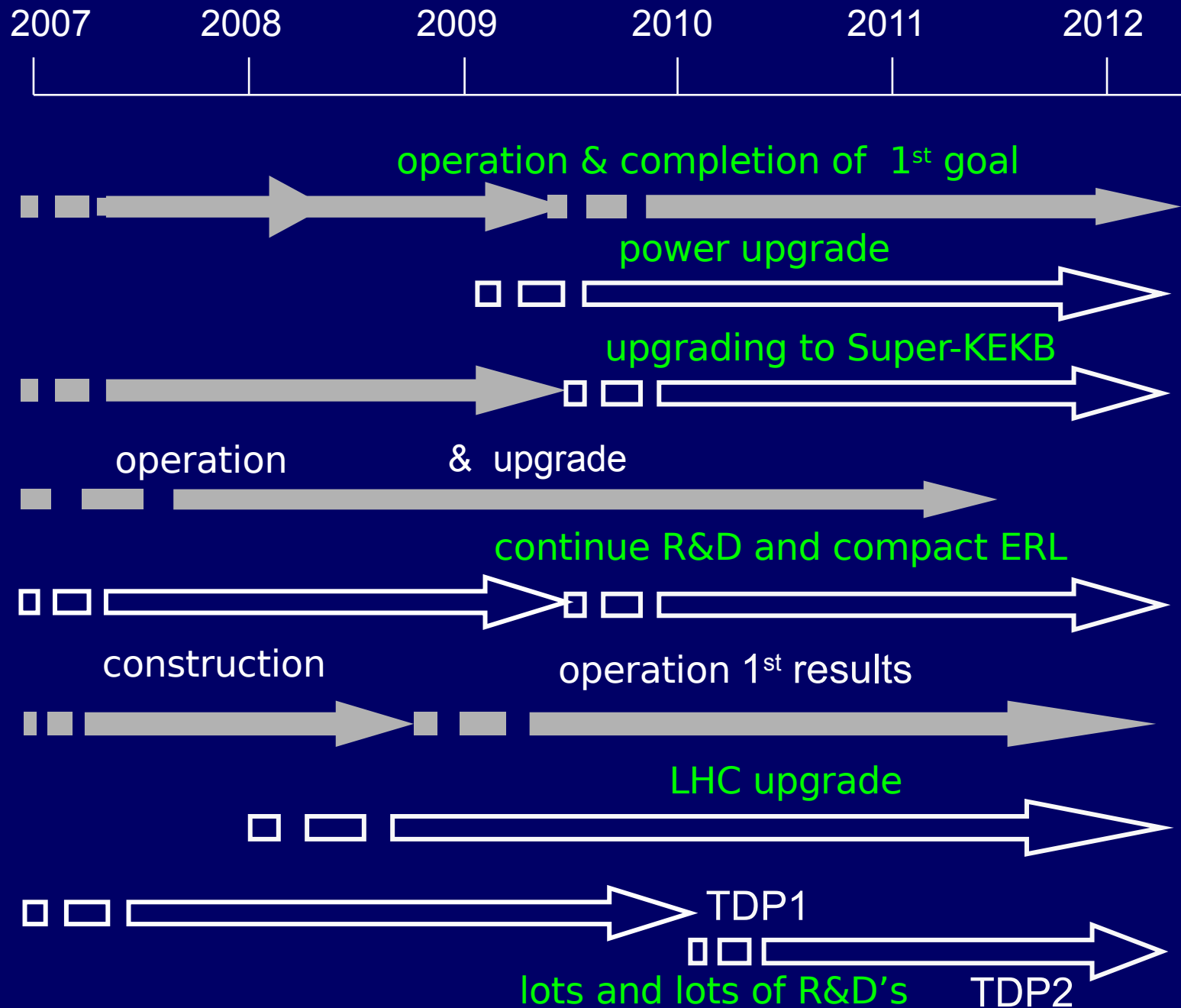


The beam pipes and all vacuum components will be replaced with higher-current-proof design.



will reach  $8 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ .

# Summary of KEK Roadmap



## Expected DAQ condition in Belle II

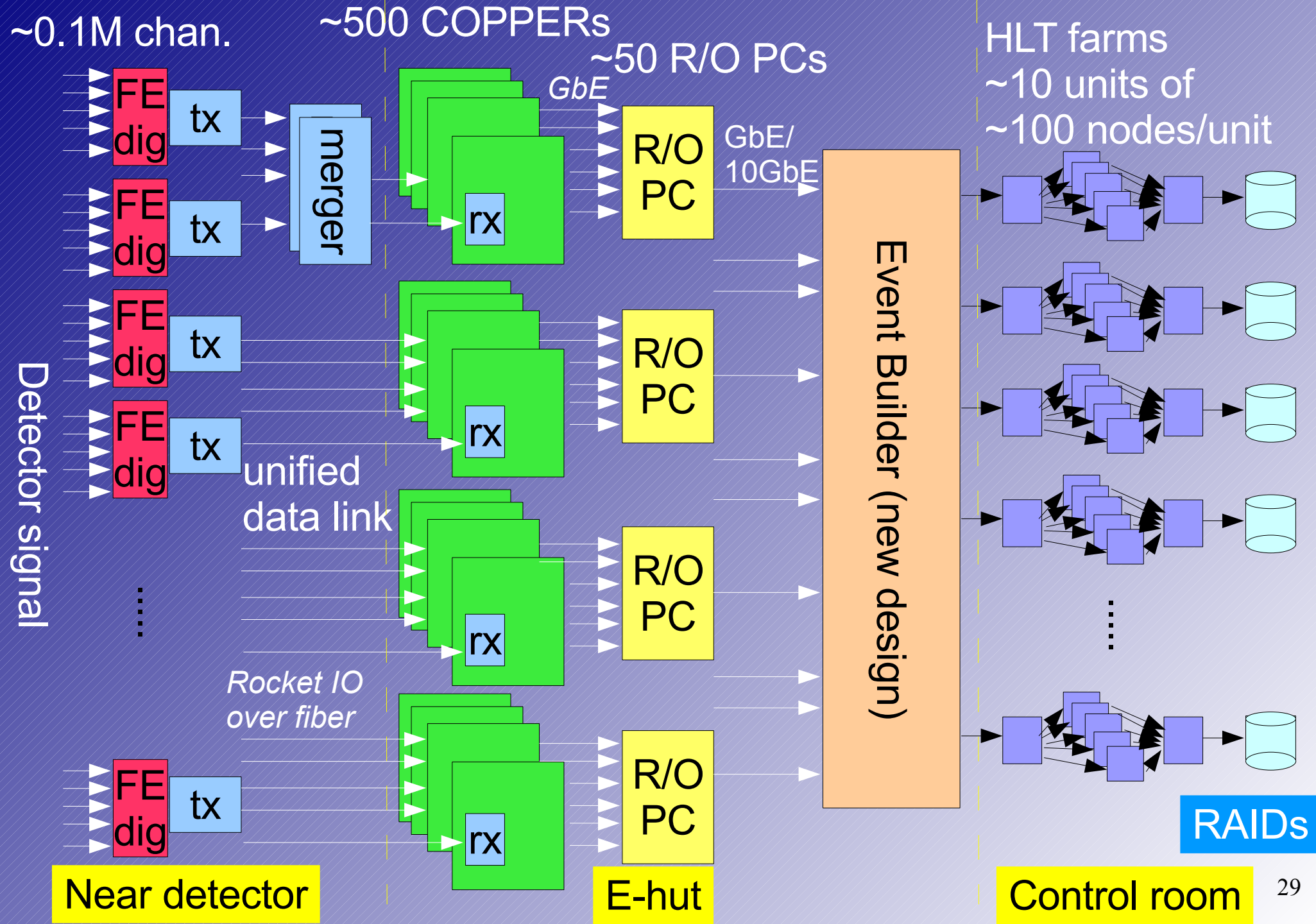
|                                     | Current Belle | Upgraded KEKB        |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Typical L1 rate                     | 0.5kHz        | 20kHz                |
| (Maximum L1 rate                    | ~1kHz         | ~30kHz )             |
| L1 data size(in)                    | 40kB/ev       | 300kB/ev             |
| flow rate(in)                       | 20MB/sec      | 6GB/sec              |
| L3+HLT reduction                    | 1/2           | ~1/20 (physics skim) |
| Storage badwidth<br>(raw data only) | 20MB/sec      | 300MB/sec            |

## DAQ design for Belle II

- \* Smooth transition from Belle DAQ
- \* Maximum use of Belle's legacy : We have only 3-4 years to go
  - COPPER based readout
  - HLT farms based on Belle's RFARM
- \* Readout unification again!
- \* Deadtime-less readout

# Current Design

\* Timing dist. scheme is not included in this figure.



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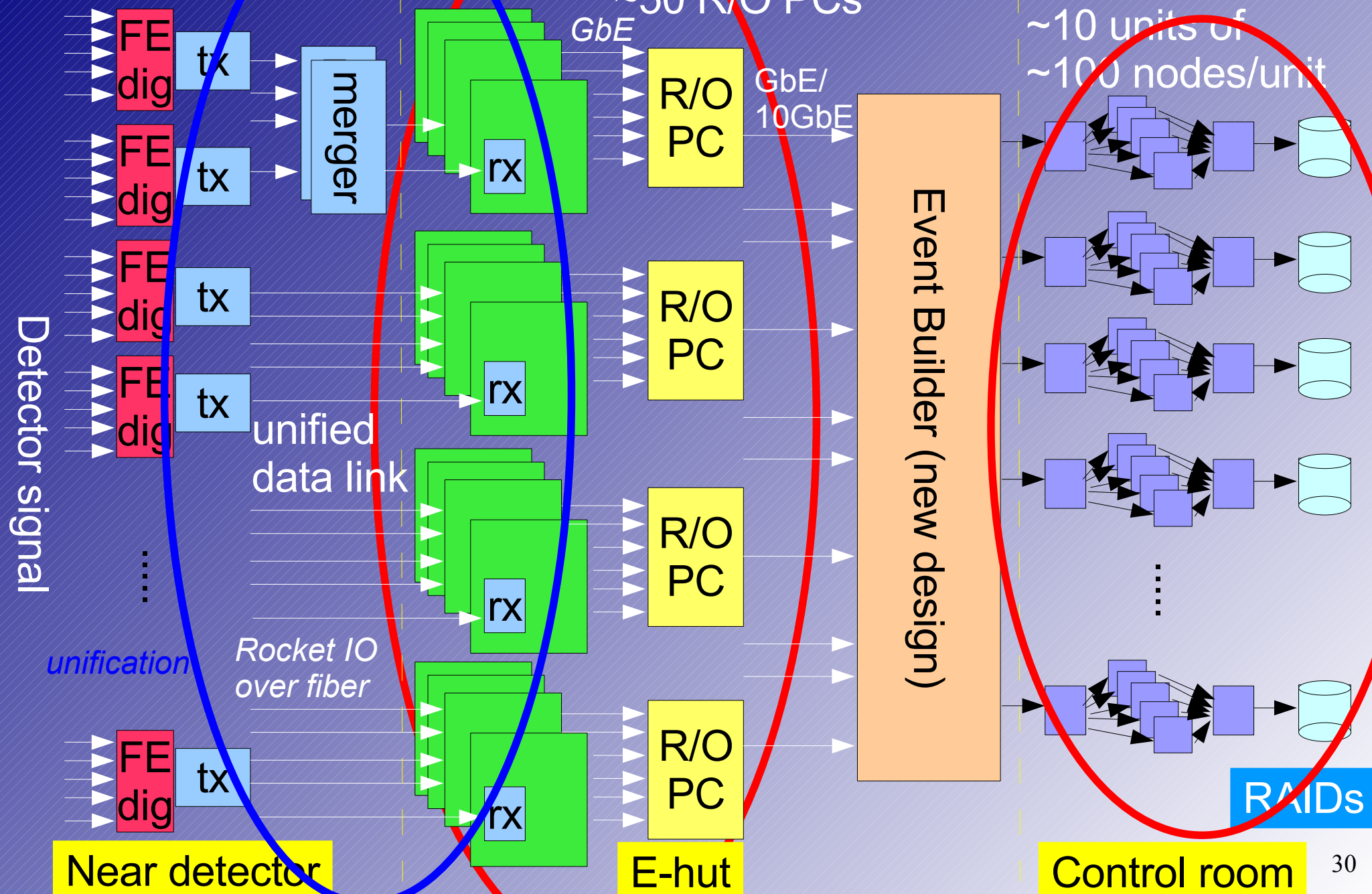
~0.1M chan.

~500 COPPERs

~50 R/O PCs

*recycling  
Belle*

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## 4. Conclusions

- KEKB/Belle has been running since 1999 without any big troubles and collected the world's largest data set of B meson decays. -> produced many physics results.
- Belle DAQ has been continuously upgraded to keep up with the increasing luminosity and technology innovations.
- The smooth and continuous upgrade strategy was quite successful for the long term stable operation without sacrificing any running time.
- The DAQ for Belle II will be constructed based on the concept of Belle's “continuous upgrade”.