Update on MRF Timing System

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MRF Linux Driver and API on github

- Linux driver https://github.com/jpietari/mrf-linux-driver
 - Support for all MRF PCI and PCIe based hardware
 - Firmware upgrade support
- MRF API on https://github.com/jpietari/mrf-linux-api
 - Functions for programming EVG/EVR in C
 - Shell wrapper functions to control devices from command line
 - Future plan: omit MRF Linux driver and move over to using userspace I/O

mTCA-EVM-300

- Event Generator (EVG)
 - 2 sequencers with maskable events
 - Max. 2047 events/sequence
 - 32 bit timestamp
 - 8 multiplexed counters
 - data buffer up to 2k bytes
 - segmented data buffer
 - 127 segments, 16 bytes each
- 7-Way Fan-Out/Concentrator
 - +4 backplane ports
- Two Event Receivers (EVR)
 - 8 internal pulse outputs
 - one sequencer
- Event rate conversion (with some data buffer related limitations)
- Front panel input phase monitoring/select features
- Distributed bus phase selection
- RF input monitoring



mTCA-EVR-300U

- Event Receiver (EVR)
- Two Universal I/O slots
 - both compatible with -DLY modules
- Four LVTTL outputs
- Two TTL inputs for external triggers
- Backplane triggers
 Can drive TCLKA/TCLKB clocks with GTX logic
- RTM interface, no RTM designed yet





mTCA-EVRTM-300 in development



- Rear Transition Module (RTM) for mTCA-EVR and mTCA-EVM
- Five Universal I/O Modules
- Support for -DLY modules in all slots
- Current status (as of Oct. 2019):
 - Changes to MMC code done
 - Firmware support incomplete



Universal I/O Modules

- UNIV-TTL
 - LVTTL output
- UNIV-TTL5V
 - 5V TTL output
- UNIV-TTL-DLY
 - LVTTL output
 - Delay tuning 1024 steps of ~9 ps
- UNIV-LVPECL
 - differential LVPECL output
- UNIV-LVPECL-DLY
 - differential LVPECL output
 - Delay tuning 1024 steps of ~9 ps



Universal I/O Modules

UNIV-TTLIN/IL UNIV-NIM UNIV-HFBR-1528 UNIV-HFBR-1414

- UNIV-TTLIN
 - TTL input
 - configurable term.
 - 240 ohm to +5V
 - 50 ohm to GND
- UNIV-NIM
 - NIM output
- UNIV-HFBR-1528
 - Optical Output
- UNIV-HFBR-1414
 - Optical Output



Open Source Event Receiver - Introduction

- What is the Open Source Event Receiver
 - Basic building block required to build devices receiving the MRF Timing protocol including but not limited to Delay Compensation capability
- What is it not
 - it is not a replacement firmware for current MRF products
 - it is not a complete Event Receiver with MRF product compatible register map
 - No bus/register interface
 - No pulse generators
 - etc.
- Available on GitHub https://github.com/jpietari/mrf-openevr

Open Source Event Receiver - Requirements

- Hardware
 - Xilinx Kintex-7 based FPGA with GTX transceivers ONLY!
 - Zynq 7Z030 is Kintex-7 based
 - SFP Transceiver
 - Reference clock for GTX
 - Example design built for
 - Avnet PicoZed 7Z030
 - Avnet PicoZed FMC Carrier Card V2
- Software
 - Xilinx Vivado 2017.4 (Free WebPack version is sufficient)
- Xilinx programming cable
 - e.g. Platform Cable USB II

Avnet PicoZed FMC carrier with 7Z030 SOM

- Avnet PicoZed AES-Z7PZ-7Z030-SOM-G
- Avnet PicoZed FMC carrier AES-PZCC-FMC-V2-G
 - Zynq 7Z030 incorporates
 - Kintex-based FPGA core
 - Four GTX transceivers
 - Dual-core ARM Cortex-A9
- This kit has everything from the hardware point of view to be used as an event receiver



Kintex-7 Requirement

- GTX transceiver
 - so far acceptable transceivers have been: Virtex-II-Pro, Virtex-5 GTX, 7-series GTX, Lattice ECP2M/ECP3 (limited capability)
- 7-series DCM
 - capable of continuous phase shifting (e.g. Virtex-II-Pro and Virtex-5 do not support this, Lattice ECP2M/ECP3 have 22.5 degree steps)
- It is possible to decode the event stream with almost any FPGA with a gigabit transceiver, if sub event clock period timing accuracy is not required