# MTCA for photon diagnostic and user experiments at FLASH

**Reliable 24/7 instrumentation** 

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### **Outline**

What am I gonna show ...

- What MTCA components do we use for FLASH photon diagnostics / user experiments
- Triggering experiments
- Measuring the wavelength of the FEL
  - Using a MHz line camera (Kalypso)
  - Using photoelectron spectroscopy -> ADC ("OPIS")
  - Al helps to get information from very noisy signals
- Looking at single-shot photoelectron spectroscopy line shapes (THz streaking)
- What users need ...
- Summary

### **FLASH**

#### Photon diagnostic and experimental halls



### MicroTCA @ FLASH

What do we have here ...

Photon Diagnostic: 6 crates

Users: 3 crates

#### **Boards:**

- •11x X2 Timer cards
- •14x ADC: Spdevices ADQ412 (12 bit, 2/4 Gsample)
- •8x ADC: Spdevices ADQ108 (8 bit, 7 Gsample)
- •1x ADC: Spdevices ADQ7 (12 bit, 5/10 Gsample)
- •3x ADC: SIS8300 (16 bit, 108 Msample)
- •1x FMC Carrier for communication with Kalypso

#### Triggering User experiments, ADCs, cameras, shutters ...





- DESY / XFEL development
- Triggering user devices (cameras, ADCs, scopes,...)
- Triggering ADCs -> up to 10 Gsample -> trigger jitter << 100 ps !
- Very flexible in shifting delays, producing reference frequencies and burst patterns

VME trigger system +- 1 ns !

# What is special at FLASH ?

- 10 Hz repetition rate (pulse trains)
- With several 100 pulses per train



 Each single photon pulse is different (in energy, wavelength, pulse length, arrival time, ...)



# **Spectral distribution of the burst**



### **MHz line camera KALYPSO**

### > KALYPSO:

- Developed within ARD Matter & Technology between KIT, DESY and HZDR
- Low-latency continuous read-out with up to 2.7 MHz rep rate => cw and feedback capability
- Fast data stream-out to MicroTCA.4 developed at MSK in collaboration with University of Lodz
- Integration into DOOCS and DAQ by MCS4
- Currently under development version 3: up to 1024 pix, up to 5 MHz, better signal-to-noise
- > Parameters for current version 2.1
  - 256 pixels, 50 µm pitch
  - 14 bit ADC, 2.7 Mfps



### **KALYPSO**

#### **Overview: Building Blocks of the Detector System**



# **Online Photoionization Spectrometer (OPIS) @ FLASH2.**

#### Measure the wavelength with photo electron spectroscopy

- No optical elements which can be damaged or degrade
- Basically 100% transmission
- Self-calibration capability using Auger electrons
- Usage of fast MTCA ADCs  $\rightarrow$  FLASH DAQ storage system





### Signal from single FEL pulses is very low ...















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# **THz Streaking - observables**

### Streaking raw data



#### Single shot XUV pulse duration





# **User experiments**

- Patch panel at each beamline
  - Trigger
  - 100 MHz ADC (16 bit)
  - 2 / 4 Gsample ADCs (12 bit)
  - > 70 % use ADCs
  - Pulse height detection -> dynamic range / amplitude resolution
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- Data analysis
  - **Pulse synchronous readout** of different channels for online analysis
  - **Data reduction** -> saving only relevant data



### **Summary**

#### **MTCA in the FLASH experimental halls**

- Trigger, line-cameras, ADCs, ... fully integrated in the control system
- Easy to operate (dedicated user panels)
- Reliable runs 24/7 (with very few problems)
- ADCs
  - Each experiment is different: different ADC types
  - Time resolution: 2-10 Gsample (>10 gets difficult to transport signals)
  - Dynamic range : 12 bit o.k. 16 bit great ( 8 bit bad)
  - Adapt signal level by external amplifiers -> build in with software switching in would be nicer <sup>(C)</sup>

