LArPix Testing setup at Caltech

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Introduction

- Zoya Vallari and I Visited LBNL to get familiar with DAQ procedures
- Used LArPix v1 readout board for initial familiarity and testing
- Python based Artix DAQ system
 - Nice for scripting
 - Good for calculation of results
 - Can save test data



- Interface to database for storing summary results
- Plan to setup a v1 board with DAQ in the next week or 2 to develop test procedures





Items to Test/Measure

- Power draw with on-chip monitoring
- Noise All channels
- Leakage current All Channels
 - RMS of leakage? Residual from fit
- Gain (that it changes with settings, not calibration)
- Threshold Setting (configuration and range)
- Charge injection to exercise CI configuration
 - and ADC range
 - And threshold?
- ChipID pins N/A, but test configurability
- Analog out

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• Memory exercise





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General Plan

- Develop tests on v1 test board
- Meanwhile Design/Build v2 readout board with sockets
 - Something like a 4x4 array to allow parallel testing
 - Configurable network layout (via jumpers)
 - Allows testing small number (one) to begin with and build up to more
 - Might only stuff one socket on board first to make sure it works. (sockets are expensive)
- When interface design is complete (chips out for fab) port v1 testing program to v2
- When v2 ASICs are packaged and available participate in checkout testing on the first parts @LBNL
 - Allow for parallel confirmation of results/methods, fast feedback



Some Specifics

- Planning for testing ~10,000 ASICs before assembly
 - Probably too few for fully automated (robotic) testing
 - If 16 ASICs per board/cycle, need ~600 cycles
 - 3 month test program implies ~10 cycles/day
 - Premounted, or etched serial numbers would be VERY helpful
- Test program can/must/will be flexible
- Can modify testing as it proceeds
 - Initial parts may get more in-depth testing on all channels
 - Many points for threshold, leakage measurements
 - If test time requires, we can back off and measure a sampling of channels with many points and only a few points on others



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Test Equipment

- Equipment needs relatively modest
 - DAQ board
 - V2 socketed test board ~20cmx20cm
 - Computer for DAQ
 - Database for results (FNAL or local)
 - Power supply (5V low power)
 - Chip handling ESD safe suction mover
 - Grounded/Shielded box for test board
- Development/Testing
 - Program development will take some effort, but that's fun
 - Testing effort will be repetitive, distribute burden, add undergrads



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Conclusions

- Developing automatic test program for v2 LArPix ASICs
 - At this stage automatic, but not autonomous, needs people
 - Resources for testing and development should be in place when parts are available for testing this summer
 - Ramp up for production testing by end of summer, early fall



