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SFO Options  
with decisions in RED  
and new comments in  
BLUE

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# Criteria for Decisions

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- **Meet Performance Criteria**
  - bandwidth, deadtime, acceptance, rejection
    - with adequate margin (for occupancy e.g.)
- **Acceptable Schedule Risk**  
(Includes complexity)
  - specification
  - resources
  - prototype and construction
  - commissioning
- **Maintenance and Repair**
  - resources, complexity, card variants...
- **Parts and Engineering Costs**
  - within constraints
- **Expansion Capability**
  - beyond planned scope

# MBT

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- 16-deep FIFOs all channels
- either G-link or Cypress
- 128b Mbus broadcast
- SCL Mezzanine
  - Send L1 to FIFO
  - Queue L2
  - SCL Initialize
- 2 Cypress Outputs
- Digital I/O (e.g. to Framework)
- VME slave (&Mbus programmed I/O)
  - download
  - control
  - monitor

# SLIC

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- 16 FIFO's
- either G-link or Cypress inputs
- FPGA routing
- 4 TI C6x Integer DSP's per card
- Master DSP for readout
- 2 Cypress outputs
  - hope can send even L3 Unbias data via Cypress outputs
- SCL Mezzanine
  - receive SCL Initialize
  - send L1 SCL (e.g. Qualifiers) to FIFO
  - L2 Accept/Reject?
    - Irrelevant if readout only via Worker Alpha

# SCL Fanout to SLIC

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- SCL Initialize
  - force clearance of buffers,  
even if partial events
  - Admin could send by VME int or write
  - Admin could/should read back “all clear”
- L1 Qualifiers
  - how to process this event
  - probably needs to get in FIFO
- L1 Accept number
  - enough to be sure event synched
- L2 accept/reject info?
  - probably NOT needed if
    - Administrator in full control of L3 readout
    - L3 readout only from alphas, not SLIC

# Classic SFO

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- Special Card

  - made of blocks from MBT design

  - Fan out via Cypress

  - SCL Initialize via VME

- **DECIDE: MBT output (Daisy chain OR SFO Lite) are better alternatives**

  - + uses simple interface (Cypress)

  - + naturally FIFO'd for processing of event

  - extra card to build just for SLIC crates

  - cables running across cards

  - ? if needed to steer processing

    - treat differently from other inputs

    - read first **Decide purely an advantage**

# SFO Lite

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- Special Card

  - Receive L1 SCL info via Cypress from MBT

  - Fan out via Cypress

  - SCL Initialize via VME

- + uses simple interface (Cypress)

- + naturally FIFO'd for processing of event

- + simpler than Classic SFO

  - (JUST Cypress)

  - less engineering, less delay

**Decision: a Candidate, with Daisy Chain**

- extra card to build just for SLIC crates

- cables running across cards

- extra output on MBT (real estate)

  - can be on front

- if fiber, extra input type for SLIC

# SFO Lite with Fiber

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- Special Card

Receive L1 SCL info via Cypress from MBT

- MBT driver is **laser**, not LED

Fan out **passively or by amplifier**

SCL Initialize via VME

+ uses simple interface (Cypress)

+ naturally FIFO'd for processing of event

+ simpler than SFO Lite

(JUST fiber, maybe passive)

less engineering, less delay

**DECISION: not ruled out, await Cu/Fiber decision**

- extra card to build just for SLIC crates

- cables running across cards

- extra output on MBT (real estate)



# SFO by backplane bus

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- 16b qualifiers
- 1b SCL initialize (?)
- 4b L1 Accept

**DECIDE: NO, others more attractive**

+ eliminate SFO card

+? Naturally different from other inputs

- more (complex) function on SLIC

- more function on MBT

- MBT MUST be in same crate

J2:

- new source of noise

- custom wiring

OR

- extra front-panel cable bus

- time to negotiate bus protocol

# SFO by Cypress daisy chain on SLIC transition card

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- Extra output on MBT
- Special input on SLIC for L1 info
- Extra output on SLIC
- SCL Initialize via VME (Administrator)
- Decision: real option, esp if Cu  
Cypress

+ eliminate SFO card

+ no protocol negotiation

- more function on MBT

- more function on SLIC (simple:  
can be all on transition card)

- connector real estate on both cards

- more cables running across cards

-? time delay for arrival of inputs

# SCL Receiver on SLIC

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- + eliminate SFO card
- \$500 per SLIC for Mezzanine  
20K\$ total
- more for extra modules at hub end
- bend SCL protocol even further
- more function on SLIC  
real estate

Decision: NO