

LTUvi - Software Model Update

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The VME address map of the *LTUvi* board

Address	Mnemonic	Description	Wr	Rd	Section
VME Controller FPGA					
H"01"	CODE_ADD	LTU Board Type code		+	3.2.1
H"02"	SERIAL_NUMBER	LTU board Serial Number		+	3.2.2
H"03"	VERSION_ADD	VME controller FPGA Firmware Version		+	3.2.3
H"0A"	SOFT_RESET	LTU software reset (dummy data)	+		3.2.1
H"10"	FLASHACCESS_INCR	Flash memory access with add. increment	+	+	3.5
H"11"	FLASHACCESS_NOINCR	Flash memory access, no add. increment	+	+	3.5
H"12"	FLASHADD_CLEAR	Clear Flash Memory Address	+		3.5
H"13"	FLASH_STATUS	Flash memory Status word		+	3.5
H"14"	CONFIG_STATUS	Configuration Status word		+	3.6.1
H"15"	CONFIG_START	Start Configuration command	+		3.6.1
H"16"	TEMP_START	Start Temperature Read command	+		3.6.2
H"17"	TEMP_STATUS	Temperature Read Status		+	3.6.2
H"18"	TEMP_READ	Temperature Read Data		+	3.6.2
H"19"	MASTER_MODE	Master write destination (TTCvi or LTU)	+	+	3.6.3
LTU Logic FPGA					
H"20"	VERSION_ADD	LTU logic FPGA Firmware Version		+	3.2.3
H"31"	BC_STATUS	BC Status word		+	M.1
H"33"	ADC_START	ADC Start command (dummy data)	+		3.7.1
H"34"	ADC_DATA	ADC Data (including ADC BUSY status)		+	3.7.1
H"35"	ERROR_ENABLE	Enable Error Emulation command	+		3.15
H"36"	ERROR_STATUS	Error Emulation Status word		+	3.15
H"37"	ERROR_SELECTOR	Error selector (Set Error mode)	+		3.15
H"38"	ERROR_DEMAND	Error on Demand request	+		3.15
H"3A"	ORBIT_CLEAR	Clear emulator's ORBIT counter	+		3.13
H"3B"	EMULATION_START	Start Emulation command (dummy data)	+		3.13
H"3C"	QUIT_SET	Set QUIT command (dummy data)	+		3.13
H"3D"	BREAK_SET	Set BREAK command (dummy data)	+		3.13
H"45"	SLM_ADD_CLEAR	Clear SLM Read and Write Addresses	+		3.13
H"46"	SLM_DATA	SLM Data word		+	3.13
H"47"	EMU_STATUS	Emulator BUSY status		+	3.13
H"49"	SOFT_TRIGGER	Software generated START	+		3.14
H"4E"	BUSY_ENABLE	BUSY 1/BUSY2 input enable	+		3.10
H"4F"	BYSY_STATUS	BUSY status word		+	3.10
H"50"	SOFT_BUSY	Software generated BUSY	+		3.10
H"52"	L1MAX_CLEAR	Clear L1 FIFO Maximum Occupancy	+		3.11
H"53"	L2MAX_CLEAR	Clear L2 FIFO Maximum Occupancy	+		3.11
H"56"	FIFO_MAX	L1/L2 FIFO Maximum Occupancy		+	3.11
H"57"	SOFT_LED	SoftLED option read word		+	R.1
H"5A"	BUSYMAX_DATA	BusyProbe option - longest BUSY time		+	R.2
H"5B"	BUSYMINI_DATA	BusyProbe option - shortest BUSY time		+	R.2
H"5D"	MINIMAX_CLEAR	Clear BUSYMAX/BUSYMINI counters	+		R.2
H"66"	PIPELINE_CLEAR	Pipeline Clear command (dummy data)	+		3.13
H"67"	SSM_COMMAND	SSM Command word	+		M.3
H"68"	SSM_START	SSM Start command (dummy data)	+		3.17
H"69"	SSM_STOP	SSM Stop command (dummy data)	+		3.17
H"6A"	SSM_ADDRESS	SSM Address word	+	+	3.17
H"6B"	SSM_DATA	SSM Data word	+	+	3.17
H"6C"	SSM_STATUS	SSM Status word		+	M.3
H"6E"	TIMING_TEST	Timing Test word	+		3.19
H"6F"	PLL_RESET	PLL Reset command (dummy data)	+		N.1
H"72"	TTC_STATUS	TTC FIFO status word		+	N.2

Address	Mnemonic	Description	Wr	Rd	Section
H"75"	COPY_COUNT	Copy counter command (dummy data)	+		R.3
H"76"	COPY_BUSY	Copy BUSY status word		+	R.3
H"77"	COPY_CLEARADD	Clear copy memory add. (dummy data)	+		R.3
H"78"	COPY_READ	Copy memory data read		+	R.3
H"132"	BC_DELAY_ADD	BC delay register (5 bits, 1ns/bit)	+	+	3.7.2
H"139"	ERROR_RATE	Error rate setting	+	+	3.15
H"13E"	LAST_BC	Number of the last BC in the LHC orbit	+	+	3.8
H"13F"	PREPULSE_BC	BC number of the PREPULSE	+	+	3.8
H"140"	CALIBRATION_BC	BC number of the calibration trigger	+	+	3.8
H"141"	GAP_BC	First BC of the LHC <i>Large Gap</i>	+	+	3.8
H"142"	ORBIT_BC	BC number of the emulator's ORBIT	+	+	3.8
H"143"	L1_DELAY	Emulator's L0 to L1 delay (in BCs)	+	+	3.8
H"144"	L2_DELAY	Emulator's L0 to L2 delay (in BCs)	+	+	3.8
H"148"	START_SET	Settings for the START signal	+	+	3.14
H"14A"	RANDOM_NUMBER	Rate of the <i>Random</i> START	+	+	3.14
H"14B"	COUNT_PERIOD	Period of the <i>Scaled-down BC</i> START	+	+	3.14
H"14C"	TTC_INTERFACE	Channel A/B output delay; L0 over TTC	+	+	M.2
H"14D"	MODE	Setting of <i>Global/Stand-alone</i> mode	+	+	3.22
H"151"	L1_FORMAT	Setting of the <i>L1 Message</i> format	+	+	3.23
H"154"	SCOPE_SELECT	Selection of ScopeProbe A/B signals	+	+	3.18
H"155"	BACKPLANE_EN	Backplane output enable	+	+	3.12
H"15C"	MINIMAX_SELECT	Select input for <i>MinimaxBusy</i> option	+	+	R.2
H"15E"	MINIMAX_LIMIT	Threshold for <i>LongBusy</i> option	+	+	R.2
H"16B"	CLEAR_COUNTER	Clear counter command	+	+	R.3
H"170"	ORBIT_TIME	Start of the ORBIT transmission	+	+	N.2
H"171"	PP_TIME	Start of the PREPULSE transmission	+	+	N.2
H"172"	TTC_DATA	TTC FIFO write data	+	+	N.2
H"1FA"	TEST_ADD	<i>LED</i> Test flag	+	+	3.3.1

Address is the *local address* (see section **3.1.6**).

Note: Write *and* read addresses H"1NN" are read from the *SpyMemory* - the read data are correct only *after* the preceding write.

Mnemonic is the symbolic name used in the LTU FPGA firmware documentation.

Wr and **Rd** refer to the VME write and VME read access.

A very brief **Description** is expanded in the corresponding section of [1], for pointers of the type **3.7.2** and similar; or in the following sections **M.1-3**, **R.1-3** and **N.1-2**.

- References:**
- [1] *LTU Software Model*, [6]
 - [2] [6], *CTP Documentation, List of Software Notes*
 - [3] *TTCrx Reference Manual*, [7]
 - [4] *TTCvi - MkII, TTC-VMEbus Interface*, [7]
 - [5] *LTU Preliminary Design Review*, [6]
 - [6] ALICE Trigger web site: <http://epweb2.ph.bham.ac.uk/user/pedja/alice/>
 - [7] TTC web site: <http://ttc.web.cern.ch/ttc/>

Introduction

The *LTUvi* board - the original LTU board with the version H"B0" or later of the *LTU Logic* FPGA firmware - performs *all* the logic functions required in the ALICE TTC partition; the TTCvi board is not required any longer.

The *BusyProbe* option has been added to monitor and analyse elements of sub-detector BUSY; the list of internal signals accessible *via* the *ScopeProbe* option has been modified, as well as the bit-allocation in the *SnapShot* memory; some *new* control and status words have been added; some "old" words have been either modified or removed. All the modification and additions have been documented in this note.

LTU Software Model [1] still remains the main software reference, but the updated *VME Address Map of the LTUvi Board* should be consulted first: it contains pointers (column *Section*) to the up-to-date documentation.

M Modifications of the existing words

M.1 BC Status word

BC_STATUS word, read only:

Address: H"31"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[0]	<i>BC Error</i> flag
D[1]	<i>PLL Locked</i> flag
D[2]	<i>ORBIT Error</i> flag

The *ORBIT Error* flag indicates either the absence or a wrong (too fast or too slow) frequency of the ORBIT input signal; see [1], section 3.20 for the rest of application details.

M.2 TTC Interface word

TTC_INTERFACE word, write and read:

Address: H"14C"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[0]	<i>Delay Channel B</i> flag
D[1]	<i>Delay Channel A</i> flag
D[3]	Enable <i>LO over TTC</i> option

When the *Delay* flag is asserted, the corresponding *Channel A/Channel B* output (LTU's connector L1/ORBIT) is delayed by a half of a BC interval (12.5ns). The option is provided in order to comply with the TTCex board *set-up time* and *hold time* requirements.

The *L0 over TTC* option is active when the *Enable* bit is *asserted*.

Note: Data bit D[2] is not used.

See [1], section 3.9 for the rest of application details.

M.3 ***SnapShot* memory *Command* and *Status* words**

***SSM_COMMAND* word, write only:**

Address: H"67"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[4]	<i>Select CTP</i> flag
D[1]	<i>Operation</i> bit
D[0]	<i>Mode</i> bit

If the *Select CTP* flag is asserted, the CTP inputs to the LTU are connected to the data bits D[0..6] of the *SnapShot* memory, regardless of the state of the *Mode* bit; the option makes the LTU compatible with all the other trigger boards for tests of connectivity. Use of the *Operation* and the *Mode* bits is explained in [1], section 3.17.

***SSM_STATUS* word, read only:**

Address: H"6C"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[4]	<i>Select CTP</i> flag
D[2]	<i>SSM BUSY</i>
D[1]	<i>Operation</i> bit
D[0]	<i>Mode</i> bit

The *Mode*, the *Operation*, and the *Select CTP* flags are set by the *SSM_COMMAND* word; the *SSM BUSY* flag is controlled by the hardware.

M.3.1 *SnapShot* memory data bit allocation

<i>Data</i>	<i>Firmware notation</i>	<i>Signal</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	!select_ctp & ltu_select.orbit_sel # select_ctp & !/ctp_orbit	ORBIT	Selected ORBIT (1μs pulse)
1	!select_ctp & ltu_select.prepulse # select_ctp & !/ctp_prepulse	PP request	PP request (25ns pulse); includes errors
2	!select_ctp & ssh_l0 # select_ctp & !/ctp_l0	L0 output	L0 output; includes errors
3	!select_ctp & ltu_select.l1_strobe # select_ctp & !/ctp_l1	L1 STROBE	Selected L1 STROBE; includes errors
4	!select_ctp & ltu_select.l1_data # select_ctp & !/ctp_l1_data	L1 DATA	Selected L1 DATA
5	!select_ctp & ltu_select.l2_strobe # select_ctp & !/ctp_l2_strobe	L2 STROBE	Selected L2 STROBE; includes errors
6	!select_ctp & ltu_select.l2_data # select_ctp & !/ctp_l2_data	L2 DATA	Selected L2 DATA
7	ltu_busy.s_sbusy	BUSY1+BUSY2	Subdetector BUSY (BUSY1 + BUSY2)
8	ltu_busy.s_busy	BUSY	LTU internal BUSY; all constituents
9	l1fifo_wr.l1nearly_full	L1FIFO full	<i>L1 Message</i> FIFO nearly full status
10	l2fifo_wr.l2nearly_full	L2FIFO full	<i>L2 Message</i> FIFO nearly full status
11	out_l1	Channel A	TTC <i>Channel A</i> output
12	out_orbit	Channel B	TTC <i>Channel B</i> output
13	ttcvi.ttc_busy	TTC BUSY	TTC <i>Channel B</i> transmission in progress
14	ttcvi.pp_select	PP transmit	PP transmission in progress (17 BCs)
15	strobe	VME strobe	VME strobe (read or write)
16	ssh_start_all.q	START	All emulation START trigger options
17	ltu_select.any_error	Any error	Any error signal (25ns pulse)

Note: The *Select CTP* flag is set with the *SSM_COMMAND* word (see above).

R References for some of the new words

Some of the logic blocks have been used on other trigger boards; the corresponding control words have been documented elsewhere. The following sections provides the necessary references.

R.1 *Software LED* word

The *SoftLED* option is used on all the CTP boards. The option is described in the software note *Software LEDs (SoftLED option)* [2]; the note contains the bit allocation of the *SOFT_LED* word (address H"57"; read only).

R.2 *BusyProbe* option

The *BusyProbe* option is used on the BUSY boards. The option is described in the software note *TooBUSY - a tool for monitoring of sub-detectors' BUSY response* [2]; the note contains the bit allocation for common control and status words:

- *BUSYMAX_DATA* (address H"5A"; read only)
- *BUSYMINI_DATA* (address H"5B"; read only)
- *MINIMAX_CLEAR* (address H"5D"; dummy write)
- *MINIMAX_LIMIT* (address H"15E"; write and read)

***MINIMAX_SELECT* word, write and read:**

Address: H"15C"

Data bits	Content
D[2..0]	Signal selection code (0 to7):
	0, 6, 7 All including LTU BUSY
	1 Synchronised BUSY 1 input
	2 Synchronised BUSY 2 input
	3 <i>L1 Message</i> FIFO Nearly Full status
	4 <i>L2 Message</i> FIFO Nearly Full status
	5 Synchronised sub-detector BUSY

R.3 LTUvi counters

The implementation of the counters on the LTU board is the same as the scheme used on all the CTP boards; the logic is described in the software note **L0 Counters** [2]; the note contains the bit allocation for all control and status words:

- *COPY_COUNT* (address H"75"; dummy write)
- *COPY_BUSY* (address H"76"; read only)
- *COPY_CLEARADD* (address H"77"; dummy write)
- *COPY_READ* (address H"78"; read only)
- *CLEAR_COUNTER* (address H"16B"; write and read)

R.3.1 List of LTUvi counters; address allocation in *CounterCopy* memory

Time counters (Table 1)

Resolution: 0.4μs

Address	Firmware notation	Signal	Description
0	VCC	Time	Elapsed time
1	s_in_busy1	BUSY1 input	Synchronised BUSY1 input
2	s_in_busy2	BUSY2 input	Synchronised BUSY2 input
3	ltu_busy.s_sbusy	Sub-detector BUSY	Synchronised sub-detector BUSY
4	ltu_busy.s_busy	BUSY	LTU's internal BUSY; all constituents
5	l1fifo_wr.l1nearly_full	L1 FIFO full	<i>L1 Message</i> FIFO nearly full status
6	l2fifo_wr.l2nearly_full	L2 FIFO full	<i>L2 Message</i> FIFO nearly full status
7	bc_error	BC Error	Synchronised <i>BC Error</i> status

Table 1 LTUvi *time* counters - *CounterCopy* memory allocation

Note: "*Elapsed time*" timer (address 0) counts continuously; it is intended for real time measurements.

Fast-signal counters (Table 2)

Rate: arbitrary

<i>Address</i>	<i>Firmware notation</i>	<i>Signal</i>	<i>Description</i>
8	emu_start.start_all	START	Selected emulation START trigger
9	ltu_busy.s_busy	BUSY pulse	LTU's internal BUSY transition (25ns)
10	l1fifo_wr.l1nearly_full	L1 FIFO pulse	L1 Message FIFO full transition (25ns)
11	l2fifo_wr.l2nearly_full	L2 FIFO pulse	L2 Message FIFO full transition (25ns)
12	ltu_select.any_error	ANY ERROR	ANY ERROR pulse (25ns)
13	bc_error	BC Error pulse	BC Error status transition (25ns)
14	minimax.busy_long	Long BUSY	BUSY over threshold (<i>BusyProbe</i> , 25ns)

Table 2 LTUvi *fast-signal* counters - *CounterCopy* memory allocation

Slow-signal counters (Table 3)

Rate: maximum 1 count per 4 μ s

<i>Address</i>	<i>Firmware notation</i>	<i>Signal</i>	<i>Description</i>
15	ltu_select.prepulse	PP Request	PP Request (25ns); includes errors
16	ltu_select.l0	L0	L0 output; includes errors
17	ltu_select.l1_only	L1 only	Selected L1 (25ns); includes errors
18	ltu_select.l1_strobe	L1 STROBE	Selected L1 STROBE (25ns); includes errors
19		L2a	L2a strobe (25ns); includes errors
20		L2r	L2r strobe (25ns); includes errors

Table 3 LTUvi *slow-signal* counters - *CounterCopy* memory allocation

N Definition of new LTUvi words

N.1 Reset FPGA Phase Locked Loop command

PLL_RESET word, dummy write:

Address: H"6F"

The word resets the BC PLL in the LTU/LTUvi Logic FPGA.

N.2 TTCvi emulation logic

N.2.1 General

In the original ALICE TTC partitions, the TTCvi board had been used to control data transmission over the *Channel B*; the data had been written from the LTU board

acting as a VME master; or from the VME processor. The *Channel A* transmission had been fully controlled by the LTU board.

In the *LTUvi* version, the generation of the *Channel B* serial data stream has been "imported" into the LTU; the TTCvi board is no longer required. The LTUvi board is no longer a *VME master* - the internal *Device Wants Bus* (DWB) signal is permanently cleared.

In order to make the "transition" as transparent to the software as practical, the TTCvi's approach, the conventions, the word formats, *etc.* have all been preserved as fully as possible; all the new LTUvi words that are used to control the TTCvi emulator logic are described in the following sections.

The TTC *Channel B* is used to transmit the following data streams:

<i>Data stream</i>	<i>Frame format</i>	<i>Priority</i>
ORBIT	Broadcast frame	0
PREPULSE	Broadcast frame	1
L1 Message	Individually-addressed frame	2
L2 Message	Individually-addressed frame	3
VME word	Individually-addressed frame	4

The formats of the *Broadcast Frame* (16 serial bits) and of the *Individually-addressed Frame* (42 serial bits) are define in [3], Chapter 2.

The data part (8 bits; [3], Chapter 5) of the ORBIT transmission is set by the firmware to H"FC"; in case of the PREPULSE transmission, the data bits are H"01".

Priority level 0 is the highest; lower priority transmissions wait until the higher priority transmissions - in progress or pending - are completed. In order to secure undisturbed timing of the ORBIT and PREPULSE signals, the two transmissions are preceded by an *Inhibit* interval [4]; during the interval, a start of any new, lower priority transmission is prevented; the widths of the interval is fixed by the firmware to 44 BCs. A correct transmission of the ORBIT is assured by design. In order to secure a correct transmission of the PREPULSE, the requested transmission must not coincide with the ORBIT *Inhibit* interval; if it does, the PREPULSE transmission shall be abandoned. The timing of the ORBIT and the PREPULSE transmission is scheduled by software settings (*ORBIT_TIME* and *PP_TIME* words, see the following sections).

N.2.2 Transmission of ORBIT and PREPULSE

The transmission is automatic - no software intervention is required; the software only controls the timing - *ORBIT_TIME* and *PP_TIME* words.

***ORBIT_TIME* word, write and read:**

Address: H"170"

Data bits	Content
D[11..0]	BC number that is the start of ORBIT <i>Inhibit</i> interval(0 - 3563)

Note: Control software *must* prevent attempts to write values higher than 3563.

The ORBIT *Inhibit* interval is 44 BCs long (*ScopeProbe* output A, code 22); it is followed by the broadcast frame transmission (ORBIT transmit, *ScopeProbe* output B, code 24); at the end of the transmissions (16 BCs), the TTCrx's internal *BC Counter* is reset.

***PP_TIME* word, write and read:**

Address: H"171"

Data bits	Content
D[11..0]	BC number that is the start of PP <i>Inhibit</i> interval (0 - 3563)

Note: Control software *must* prevent attempts to write values higher than 3563.

The PP *Inhibit* interval is 44 BCs long (*ScopeProbe* output A, code 23); it is followed by the broadcast frame transmission (PP transmit, *ScopeProbe* output B, code 25); at the end of the transmissions (16 BCs), the PP signal can be decoded at the TTCrx output.

Note: PP transmission shall be abandoned if its start (at the end of PP *Inhibit* interval - PP_TIME word) is due to occur during the ORBIT *Inhibit* interval (set by the ORBIT_TIME word).

N.2.3 TTC data transmission from the VME processor

The VME processor writes data into the TTC FIFO of the LTUvi board (*TTC_DATA* word); FIFO's capacity is 128 32-bit words; the *TTC_STATUS* word reads the FIFO's current status. The data transmission has the lowest priority (see the table in **N.2.1**); the transmission (42 serial bits; *Individually-addressed Frame* format - [3], Chapter 2) takes place during the *VME transmit* interval (*ScopeProbe* output B, code 28).

***TTC_DATA* word, write and read:**

Address: H"172"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[31]	<i>Don't care</i>
D[30..17]	TTCrx address (14 bits; all 0: broadcast)
D[16]	E (1: external; 0: internal)
D[15..8]	Sub-address (8 bits)
D[7..0]	Data (8 bits)

The data format is identical to the TTCvi protocol - [4], *TTCvi Registers and VME Address Map, Long-format asynchronous cycles*; the two 16-bit words \$C0 and \$C2 are just transmitted as a single 32-bit word.

Note: The *TTC_DATA* read word returns the content of the last write access (*SpyMemory* option).

***TTC_STATUS* word, read only:**

Address: H"72"

Bit allocation:

Data bits	Content
D[0]	TTC FIFO empty
D[1]	TTC FIFO full

N.3 *ScopeProbe* signal selection - *LTUvi* board

The list of signals connected to the *ScopeProbe* outputs A and B is shown in the following tables; the list corresponds to the firmware version H"BX". The *ScopeProbe* option is described in [5], section 3.13; signal selection is controlled by the VME word *SCOPE_SELECT* [1].

Few words of explanation:

- Comment *selected* means: as received from the CTP in *Global* mode; or generated by the LTU emulator in *Stand-alone* mode.
- Comment *no errors/includes errors* explains whether the displayed signal is taken *before* or *after* the introduction of emulated errors.
- Comment *no delay/delay*, in case of the outputs *Channel A* and *Channel B*, explains whether the displayed signal is taken *before* or *after* the introduction of programmable $\frac{1}{2}$ BC delay.
- Comment *not registered* indicates that the displayed signal might show decoding glitches.
- Some signals - that are likely to be used as the scope trigger input - are available at both outputs A and B.

ScopeProbe output **A**

Code	Firmware notation	Signal	Description
0	bc	BC	40MHz LHC clock; includes delay; also at B0
1	ltu_select.orbit_sel	ORBIT	Selected ORBIT (1µs pulse); also at B17
2	ltu_select.prepulse_sel	PP request	PP request (25ns pulse); no errors
3	ltu_select.l1_strobe	L1 STROBE	Selected L1 STROBE; includes errors
4	ltu_select.l2_strobe	L2 STROBE	Selected L2 STROBE; includes errors
5	in_pulser	PULSER input	PULSER input signal
6	in_busy1	BUSY1 input	BUSY 1 input signal
7	in_busy2	BUSY2 input	BUSY 2 input signal
8	!write & strobe	VME read	VME read strobe
9	write & strobe	VME write	VME write strobe
10	strobe	VME strobe	VME strobe (read or write)
11	ttcvi.channel_b	Channel B	TTC Channel B output; no delay
12	minimax.busy_long	Long BUSY	<i>BusyProbe</i> BUSY_LONG output (25ns pulse); also at B30
13	adc_in	ADC input	Input to the ADC (LTU synchronisation)
14	ltu_select.err_request	Error request	Pending Error Request (<i>Error on Demand</i> option)
[15..16]	GND	GND	<i>Not used</i> ; connected to ground
17	emu_st.start_all	START	Selected START signal (emulation trigger)
18	ltu_select.l0_sel	L0	Selected L0 (25ns pulse); no errors
19	vme_clock	VME clock	16MHz VME clock
20	ltu_select.l1	Channel A	TTC Channel A output no delay
21	ltu_select.l1_sel	L1 only	Selected L1 (25ns pulse); no errors
22	ttcvi.orbit_inhibit	ORBIT inhibit	ORBIT inhibit interval; 44 BCs; precedes ORBIT transmission (ORBIT select, B24)
23	ttcvi.pp_inhibit	PP inhibit	PREPULSE inhibit interval; 44 BCs; precedes PREPULSE transmission (PP select, B25)
24	ttcvi.vmefifo_write	VME TTC write	VME FIFO write strobe (25ns pulse)
25	ttcvi.ttc_busy	TTC BUSY	TTC Channel B transmission in progress
[26..31]	GND	GND	<i>Not used</i> ; connected to ground

ScopeProbe output **B**

Code	Firmware notation	Signal	Description
0	bc	BC	40MHz LHC clock; includes delay; also at A0
1	in_bc	BC input	40MHz LHC clock; input signal, no delay
2	out_orbit	Channel B output	TTC Channel B output; includes delay and errors
3	out_prepulse	PP output	PP request (25ns pulse); includes errors (The output is not used)
4	out_l10	L0 output	L0 output; includes errors
5	out_l1	Channel A output	TTC Channel A output; includes delay and errors; L0 and L1 if L0 over TTC option
6	ltu_select.l1_data	L1 DATA	Selected serial L1 DATA; registered
7	ltu_select.l2_data	L2 DATA	Selected serial L2 DATA
8	emu_st.start	Emulation start	Start of the emulation sequence (not registered)
9	ltu_busy.busy	BUSY	LTU internal BUSY; all constituents
10	l1fifo_wr.l1fifo_empty	L1FIFO empty	L1 Message FIFO empty status
11	l2fifo_wr.l2fifo_empty	L2FIFO empty	L2 Message FIFO empty status
12	l1fifo_wr.l1nearly_full	L1FIFO full	L1 Message FIFO nearly full status
13	l2fifo_wr.l2nearly_full	L2FIFO full	L2 Message FIFO nearly full status
14	ltu_select.any_error	Any error	Any error signal (25ns pulse)
15	emu_lg.l1_strobe	Emu L1 STROBE	L1 STROBE signal from the emulator
16	emu_lg.l2_data	Emu L2 DATA	Serial L2 DATA from the emulator
17	ltu_select.orbit_sel	ORBIT	Selected ORBIT (1µs pulse); also at A1
18		L2a strobe	L2a strobe signal (25ns pulse)
19		L2r strobe	L2r strobe signal (25ns pulse)
20	bc_error	BC error	BC error flag
21	ltu_select.l1_only	L1 only	Selected L1 (25ns pulse); includes errors
22	ltu_select.l1_data_sel	L1 DATA (nr)	Selected serial L1 DATA; not registered
23	ttcvi.pp_request	PP pending	Pending PREPULSE request
24	ttcvi.orbit_select	ORBIT transmit	ORBIT transmission in progress (17 BCs)
25	ttcvi.pp_select	PP transmit	PP transmission in progress (17 BCs)
26	ttcvi.l1_select	L1 transmit	L1 word transmission in progress (43 BCs)
27	ttcvi.l2_select	L2 transmit	L2 word transmission in progress (43 BCs)
28	ttcvi.vme_select	VME transmit	VME TTC transmission in progress (43 BCs)
29	ttcvi.vmefifo_empty	VME FIFO empty	VME TTC FIFO empty status
30	minimax.busy_long	Long BUSY	BusyProbe BUSY_LONG output (25ns pulse); also at A12
31	GND	GND	Not used; connected to ground

N.4 Font panel LEDs - update for the *LTUvi* board

The logic and the operation of the LTU's front panel LEDs have been fully described in [1], section 3.3. In the *LTUvi* version of the board, the **Spare** LED has been attributed a somewhat different meaning:

Spare LED: *on* - if *Global Mode*; *off* - if *Stand-alone Mode*

Note: The LEDs **PP**, **L0** and **L1** do not display signals that are "masked" by the error-generating logic.

N.5 Font panel connections - update for the *LTUvi* board

Front panel input and output connections of the original LTU have been described in [5], section 3.5.6. The following updates apply to the *LTUvi* version of the board:

Spare: ECL output of the **BC** clock. The clock is a delayed **BC** input from the TTCex board; it is the main clock of the *LTUvi*'s FPGA.

L1: *Channel A* connection to the TTCex board (ECL output); normally, the **L1** signal, but, in case of the "*L0 over TTC*" option, both the **L0** (code B"10") and the **L1** (code B"11") signals.

ORBIT: *Channel B* connection to the TTCex board (ECL output).

N.6 Cable connections in the TTC partition - *LTUvi* board

Cable connections in the original ALICE TTC partition are shown in [5], section 3.14.2, **Figure 3.14.1**; the figure has been reproduced here (**Figure A**) to ease the comparison. Connections in the new *LTUvi* partition are shown in **Figure B**.

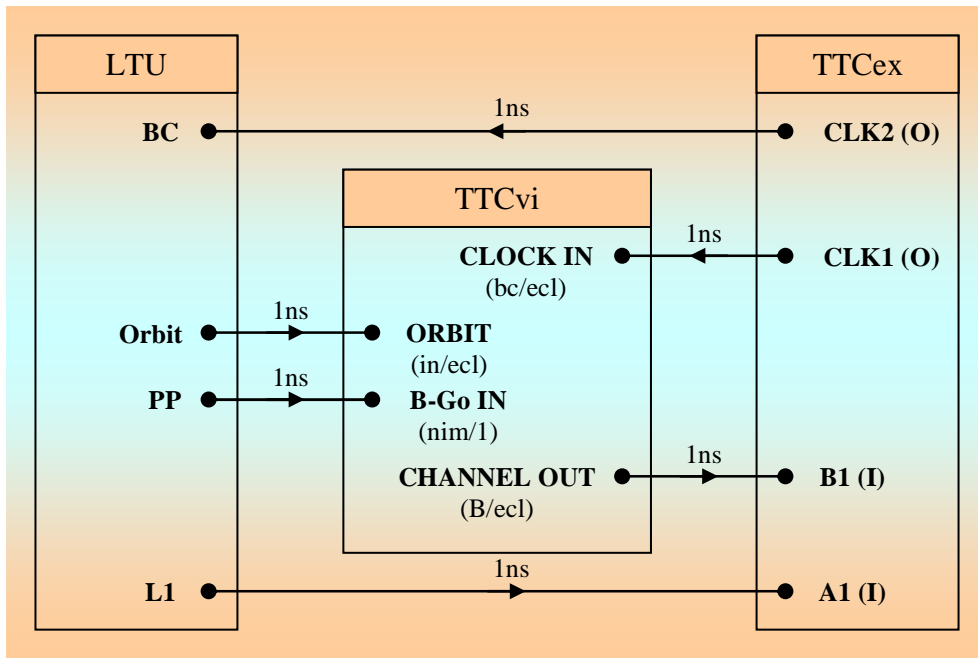


Figure A Connections in the TTC partition (LTU version - *old*)

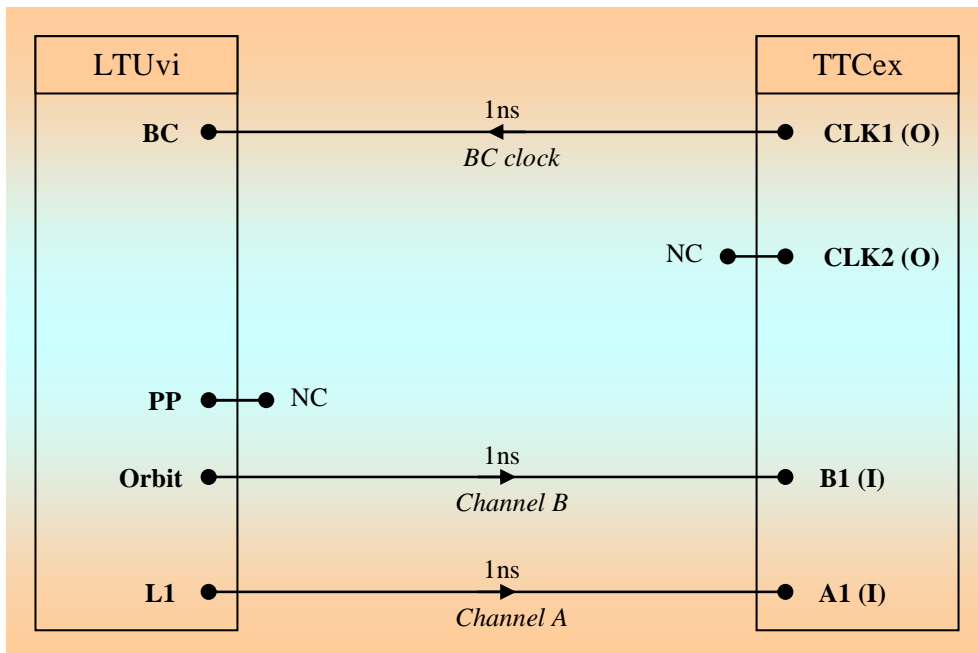


Figure B Connections in the TTC partition (*LTUvi* version - *new*)