



# An In-Depth Description of the Radiation Data Package for the QLS1046-Space Edge Processing Module

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# Agenda

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DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

Focus on QLS1046-Space

TID Verification

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Conclusion

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# Teledyne e2v Data Processing Solutions

## Addressable Projects & Target Applications in Space



Sensing  
Optical, IR, Radar

Payload RF  
(Signal Chain)

**Payload On-board  
Processing (AI, ML)**

**Satellite Bus  
Processing and Routing of data**

Power Management  
Positioning / Telemetry  
GPS / Star Tracker  
Propulsion  
Satellite Control / Monitoring /  
Watchdog (Platform)

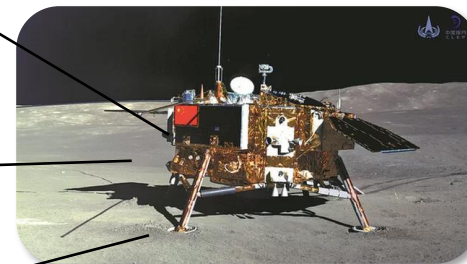
**Satellites:** Earth Observation,  
Communication, Intelligence Gathering ...

**On Board computers**

**Avionics**

**Robotics**

**Data Gathering,  
Internet on the Moon**



**Vehicles:** Manned, Cargo, Launch, Landing  
Space Stations & Gateways

*Legenda : Addressable with Teledyne e2v Data Processing Solutions*

# High Level Processing Roadmap

R&D phases engaged to anticipate Next Gen Space computing needs

**Shipping Now**

Quad ARM® Cortex®-A72

15mm x 20mm x 1.92mm

LS1046-Space

DDR4T04G72M

QLS1046-Space

16x ARM® Cortex®-A72

LX2160-Space

Pin - Pin Compatibility 4GB & 8GB

DDR4 8GB

Objective : Serve Space Projects from 2024 onwards

Objective : Serve Space Projects Today

## Mass Production

Single/Dual Core PowerArchitecture®

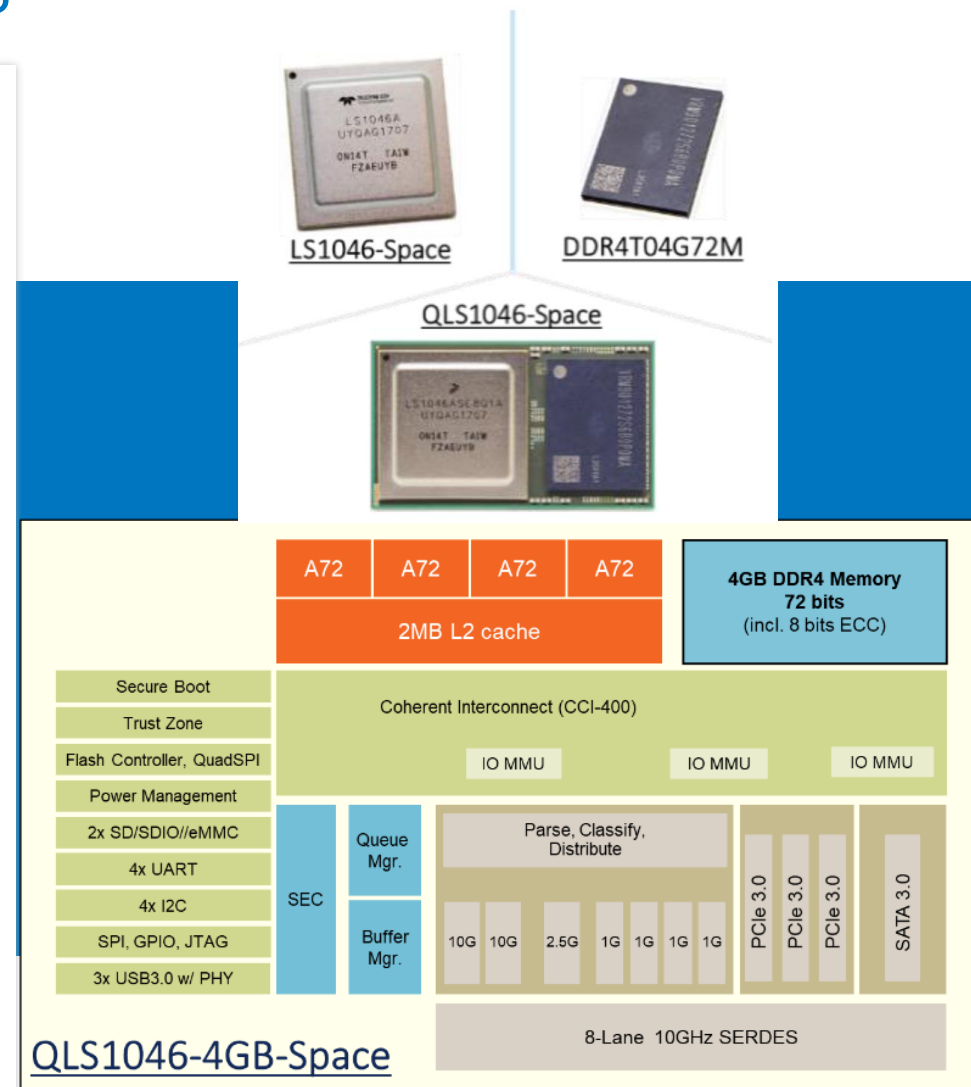
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Serving Space Compute Intensive Market, QML-Y & NASA Grades

# QLS1046-Space for Edge Computing

- ❖ Combination of LS1046-Space & DDR4T04G72 memory
- ❖ Heavy computing capabilities in ultra-compact design:
  - ❖ Quad-core 64-bit Arm® Cortex A72: Up to 30kDMIPS with NEON vector processing units (56GFLOPs)
  - ❖ Integrated 4GB x72bit DDR4 memory up to 2.4GT/s rate
  - ❖ 2MB total L2 cache, 1-10GbE, PCIe 3.0, UARTs, SPI, I<sup>2</sup>C, ...
  - ❖ Highly compact (44x26mm) and power efficient
- ❖ Radiation tolerant and Space qualified (NASA EEE-INST-002 - Section M4 – PEMs & ECSS-Q-ST-60-13C)



# Teledyne e2v Compute Intensive Rad Tol solutions

## Teledyne e2v Value Proposal

- Supplier of Advanced Radiation Tolerant Space Compute Intensive solutions
  - Bringing **existing COTS solutions** to **Space environments**
    - *Characterizations, Space Screening, Qualifications*
    - *Radiation Characterizations & Mitigations recommendations*
- Fully characterized, tested & qualified Space Compute Intensive solutions
  - Highest grade Characterizations, Testing & Qualifications – From Long lasting partnership with NXP
    - *Access to same platforms (test vectors, burn in platforms), same testers*
    - *Leading to highest quality testings and same test coverage*
  - Fully Tested and characterized in Radiation (TID, SEE Heavy Ions, Protons & mitigations)

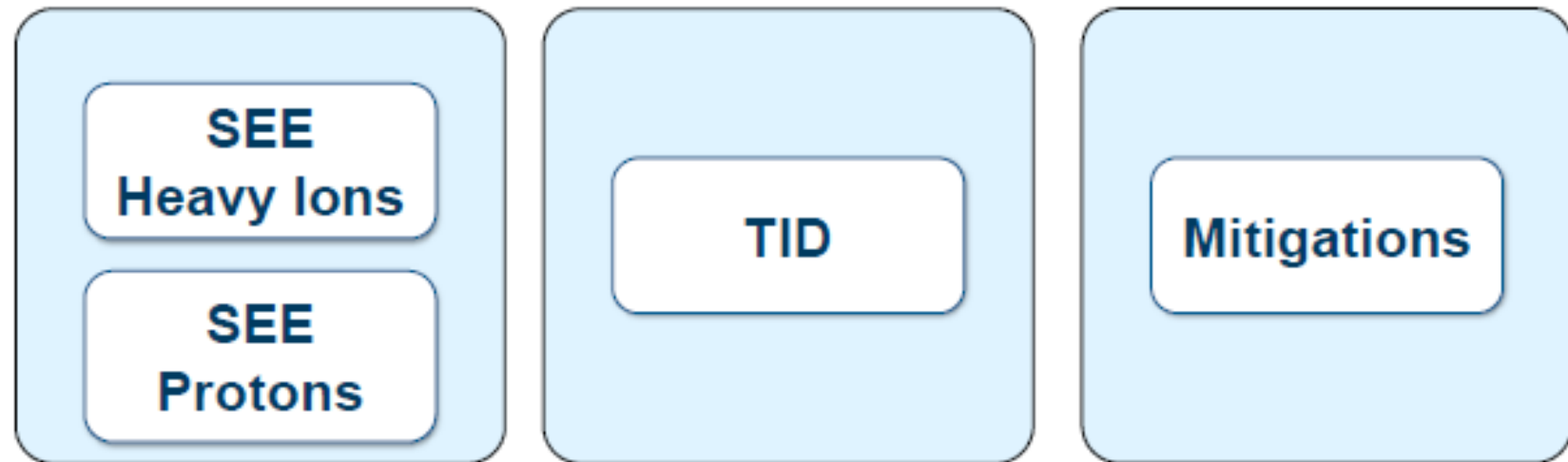
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# Teledyne e2v's Strategy for Radiations

- ❖ “Radiation Tolerant (RadTol)” Teledyne e2v’s definition:
  - ❖ No damage due to radiations
  - ❖ Can be subject to SEU (upsets) or SEFI (functional interrupts)
- ❖ SEE (Single Event Effects)
  - ❖ SEL immunity verification
  - ❖ SEU / SEFI characterization
- ❖ TID testing
  - ❖ Verifies lifetime in Space
- ❖ Mitigations techniques



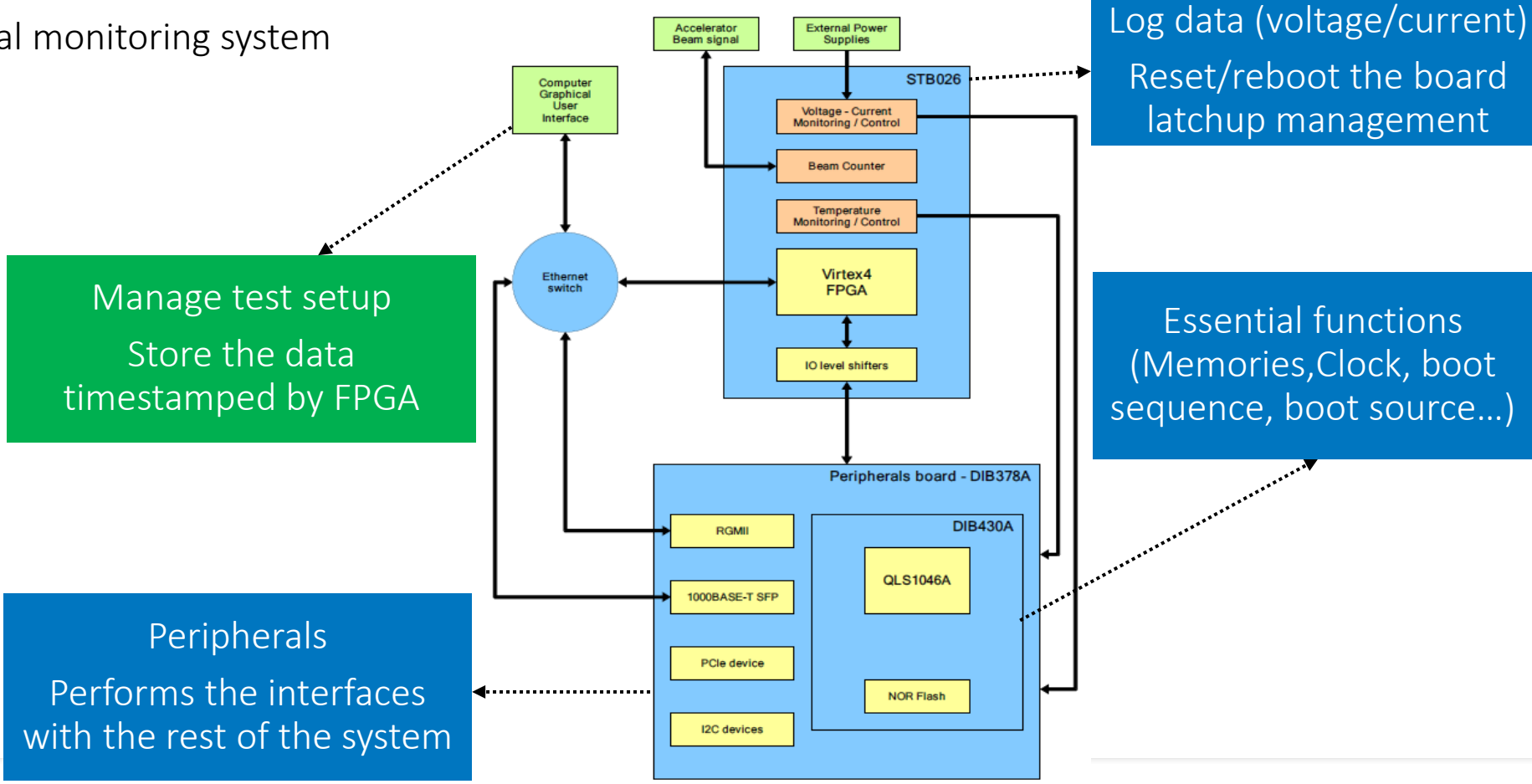
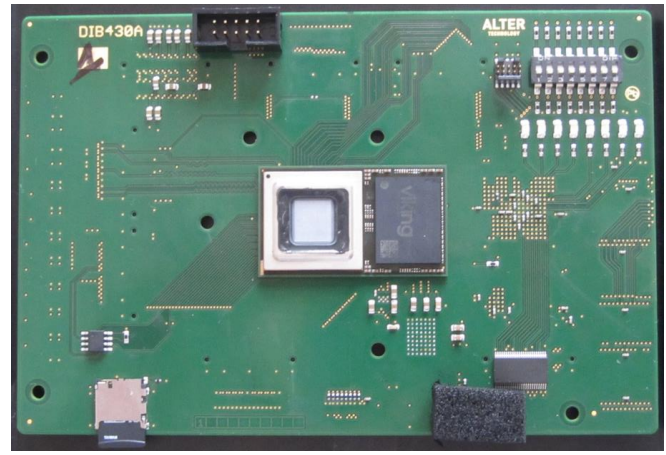
- ❖ For QLS1046-Space: Teledyne e2v performed tests of LS1046 processor and DDR4 one at a time



# Teledyne e2v's Strategy for Radiations

- ❖ Based on specifically designed test HW and SW:
  - ❖ Permits to select the right testing configuration and relevant peripherals
  - ❖ Allows to monitor or control currents/voltage/temperature
  - ❖ Simplifies interface with general monitoring system
  - ❖ ...

## Example of a QLS1046-Space test setup



# LS1046 SEE Radiation Testing

## SEL Results

- ❖ 3 devices tested
- ❖ At max temperature (125°C) & max operating voltage
- ❖ Fluence of  $1e7$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ No SEL detected up to 62 MeV/mg/cm<sup>2</sup>



Test performed at RADEF facilities  
Effective LET at surface

16.3 MeV/n cocktail in air			
Ion	Range	LET at surface	LET in air and through 75μ of Silicon
	microns	MeV/(mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	MeV/(mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )
17O6+	481	1.52	1.8
20Ne7+	360	2.3	2.6
40Ar14+	264	7.2	8
57FE20+	214	13.3	16
89Kr29+	185	24.5	32
126Xe44+	157	48.5	62.5

# LS1046 SEE Radiation Testing

## SEFI/SEU Characterization under Heavy-Ions

❖ FPGA monitors CPU activity and takes actions when SEFI : Algorithm to classify the SEFI event by recovering method

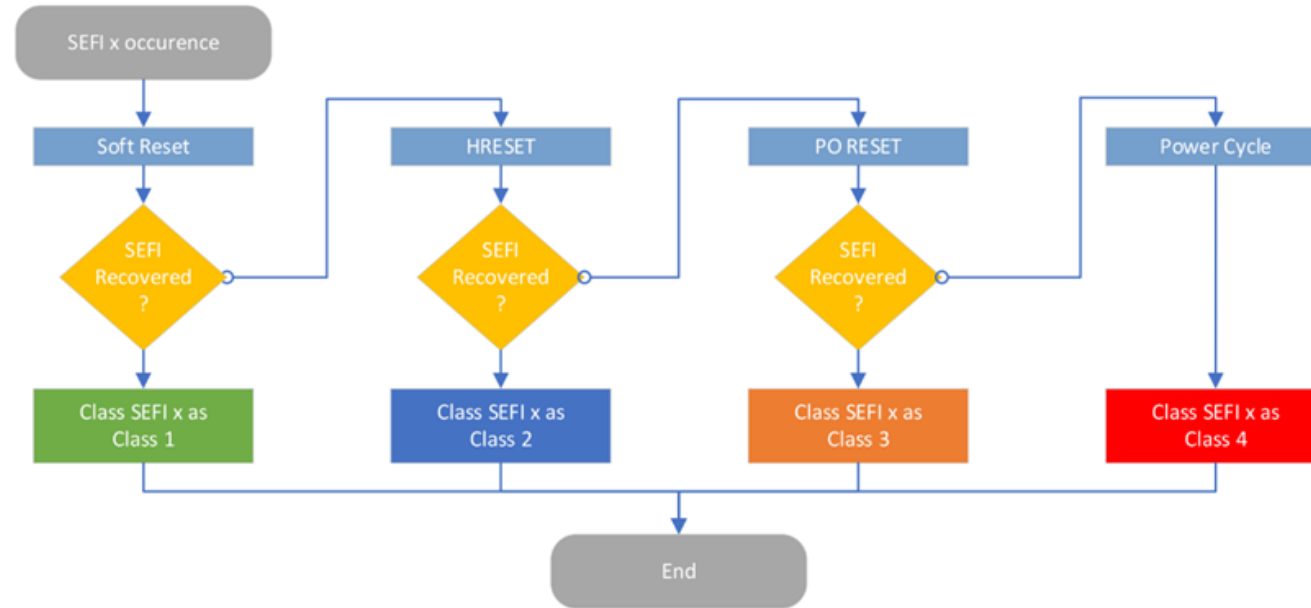
**Table 6: SEFI rates on 3 orbits for 3 solar conditions, in n° of SEFI per day**

	GEO	ISS	Proba 2
Solar min	$1.07 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.55 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.67 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Worst day	7.63	$2.70 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1.69
Worst 5min	28.5	$9.62 \cdot 10^{-3}$	6.31

❖ **Takeways:**

- ❖ No power cycle required to cure SEFI
- ❖ 1 SEFI per 1000 days in GEO normal conditions

- ❖ SEU events characterized on L2 cache & On-chip RAM
- ❖ Peripherals were also characterized SEU/SEFI



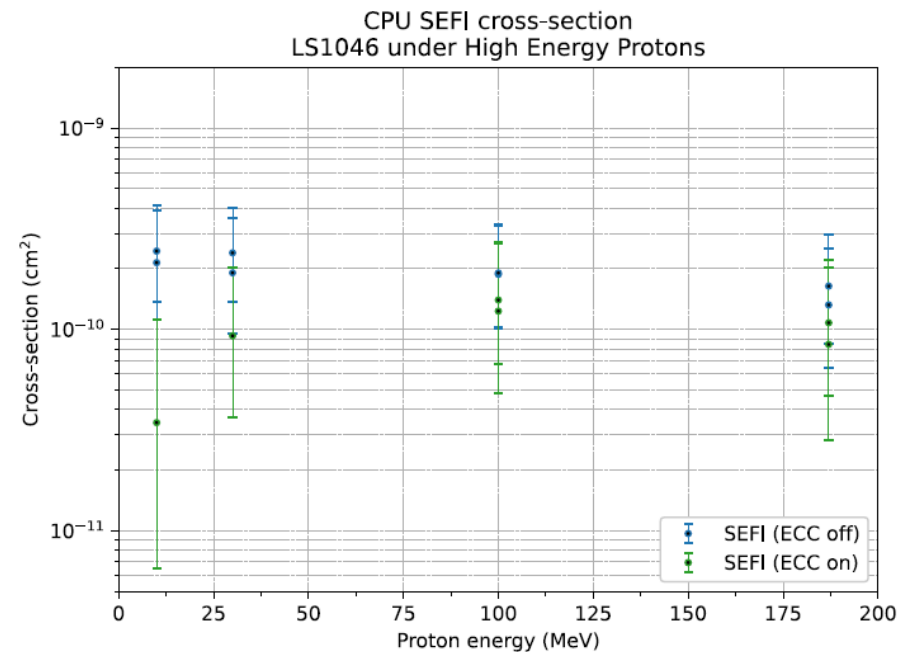
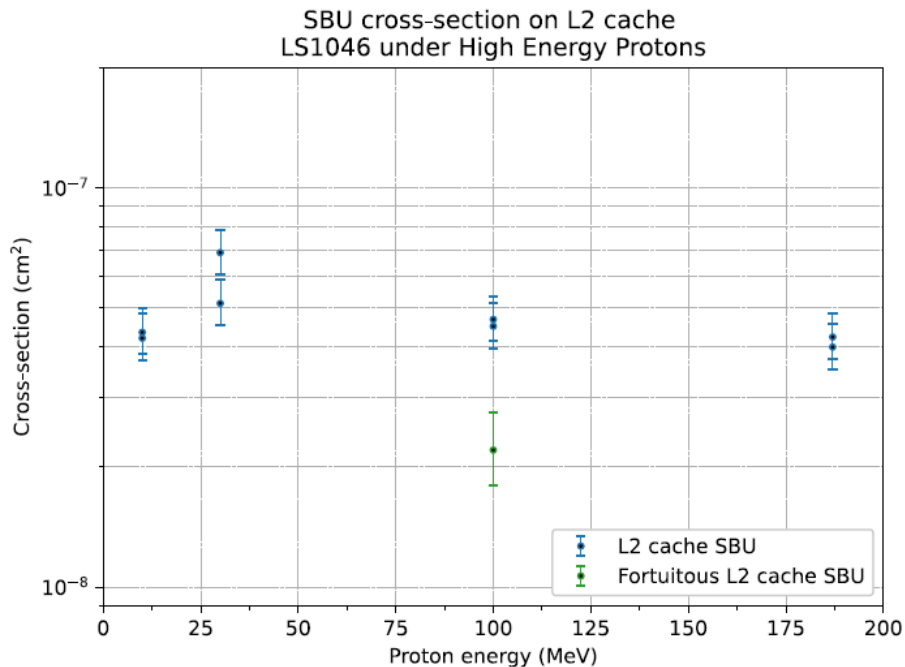
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	GEO	ISS	Proba 2
Solar min	$1.96 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.68 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$6.61 \cdot 10^{-2}$
Worst day	$1.56 \cdot 10^2$	$2.06 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$3.49 \cdot 10^1$
Worst 5min	$5.80 \cdot 10^2$	$6.94 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.30 \cdot 10^2$

# LS1046 SEE Radiation Testing

## Protons Results

- ❖ 2 samples tested
- ❖ Proton beam up to 190MeV
- ❖ On-chip RAM and L2 cache were tested

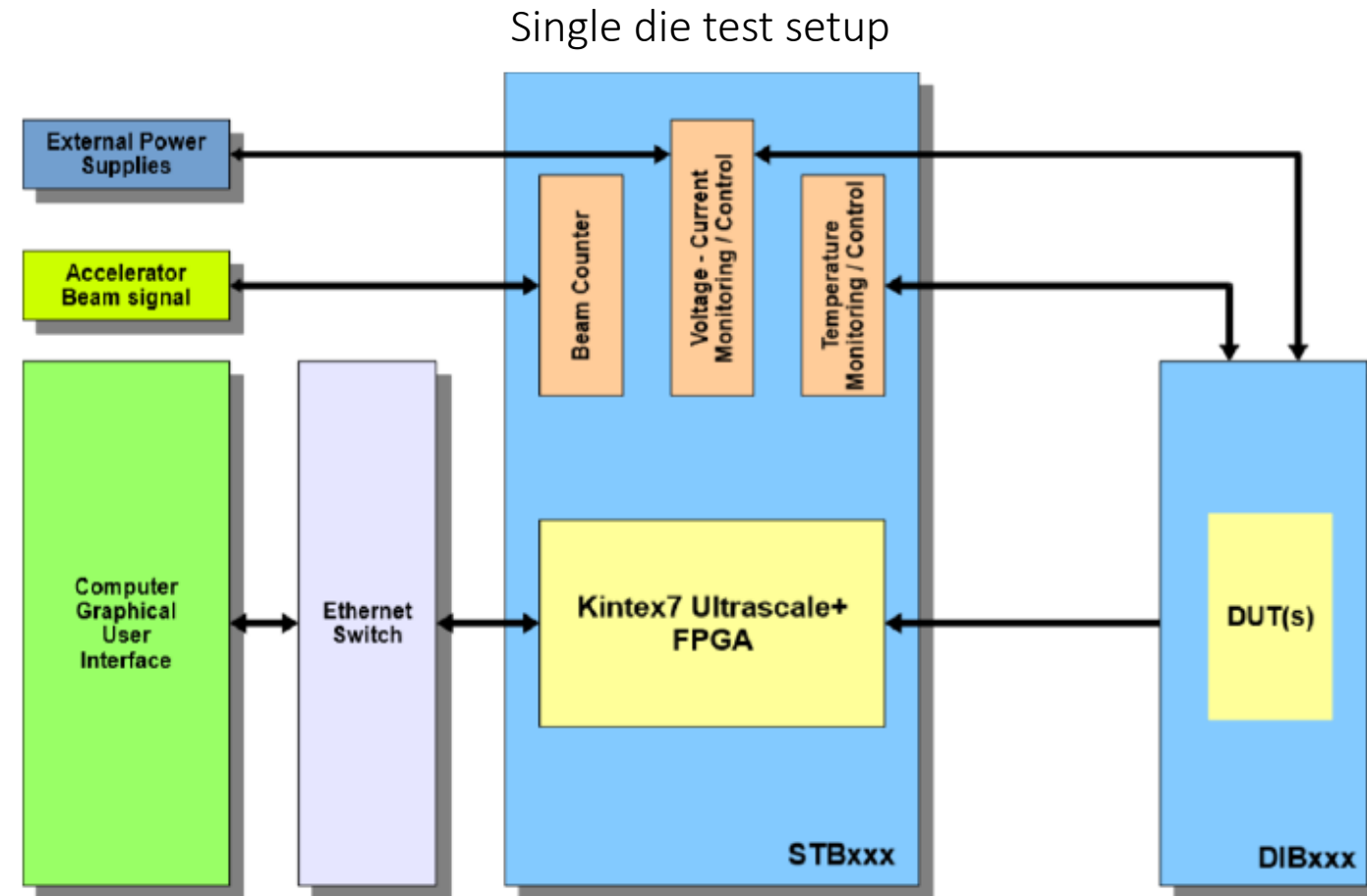


- ❖ ECC protection on L2 cache corrects SBU !

# DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

## Test Setup

- ❖ DDR4 tested in 2 ways :
  - ❖ With QLS1046 test setup
  - ❖ Single die setup for in-depth testing
  
- ❖ Single die setup:
  - ❖ Connects a SODIMM daughter board (DUT)
  - ❖ Memory is interfaced directly with a FPGA
    - ❖ Gets full-visibility on the SEE
  - ❖ Power supplies monitored to detect SEL



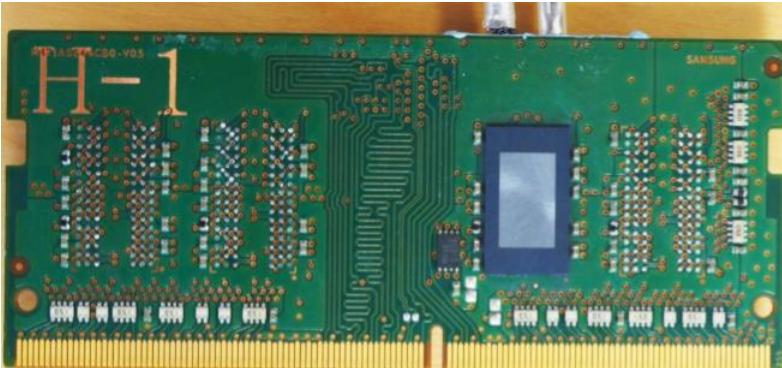
# DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

## SEL Results

- ❖ At 95°C operating temperature and max operating voltage
- ❖ Fluence up to 1e7 ions/cm<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ No SEL detected up to 60 MeV/mg/cm<sup>2</sup>

Test performed at RADEF facilities

Effective LET at surface (based on part thinning)

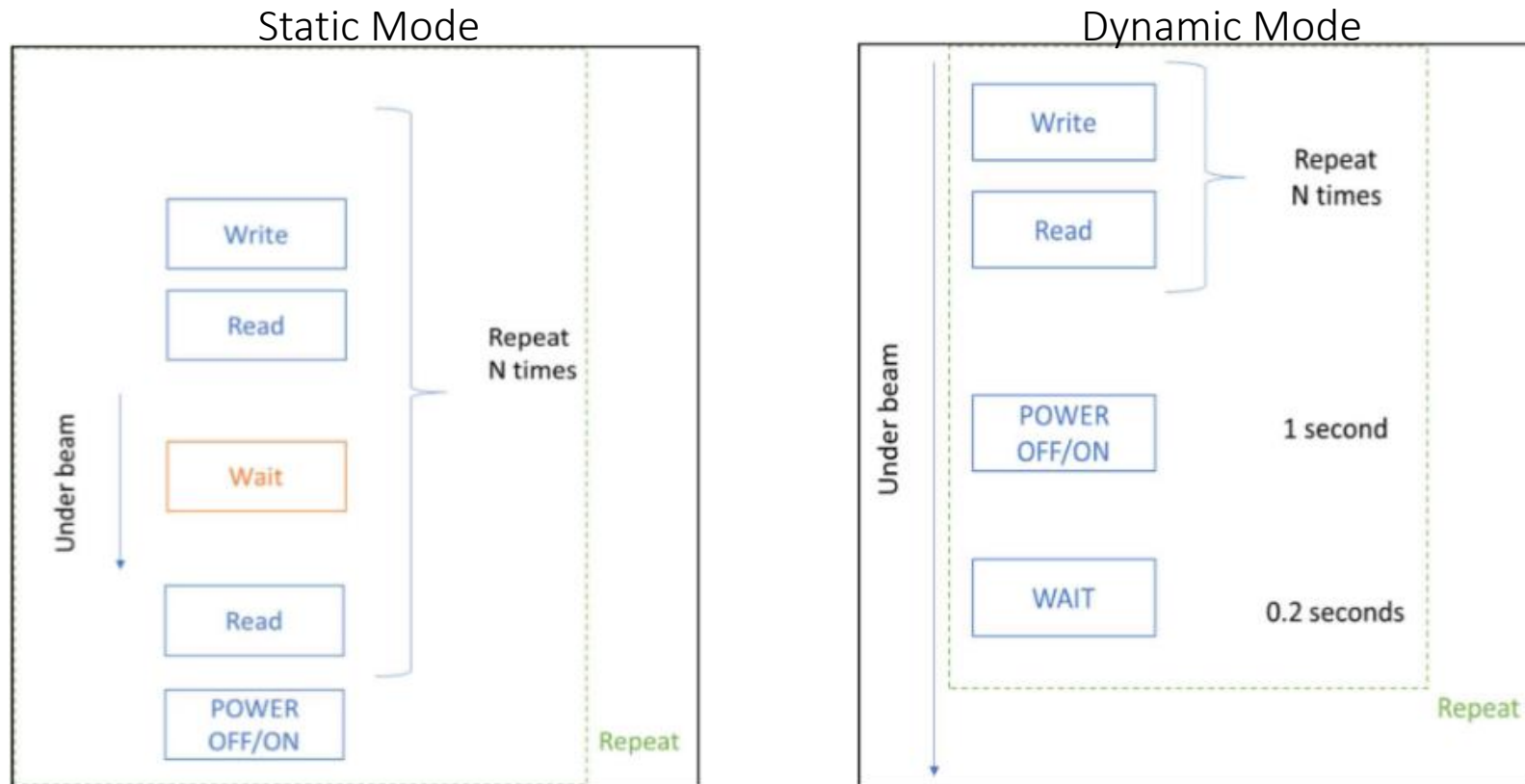


Ion	LET <sup>SRIM</sup> at surface [MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> .mg <sup>-1</sup> ]	Range [μm]	Beam energy [MeV]	Back irradiation LET Die Silicon thickness SRIM 2013	
				70μ	80μ
<sup>17</sup> O <sup>6+</sup>	1.52	481	284	1.54	1.56
<sup>20</sup> Ne <sup>7+</sup>	2.3	360	328	2.6	2.65
<sup>40</sup> Ar <sup>14+</sup>	7.2	264	657	8.19	8.38
<sup>57</sup> Fe <sup>20+</sup>	13.3	214	941	15.69	16.17
<sup>83</sup> Kr <sup>29+</sup>	24.5	185	1358	30.06	31.12
<sup>126</sup> Xe <sup>44+</sup>	48.5	157	2059	60.88	63.07

# DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

## SEFI/SEU Characterization under Heavy-Ions

- ❖ Two ways of testing SEU:
  - ❖ Static: Memory not exercised under the beam
  - ❖ Dynamic: Memory is exercised under the beam



# DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

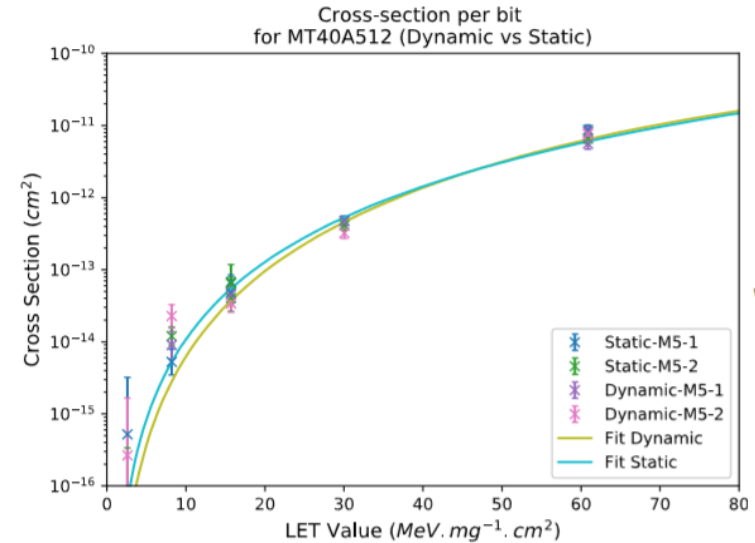
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❖ SEU results:

- ❖ Similar results between static and dynamic mode

❖ SEFI characterized and classified :

- ❖ DDR4 reset sufficient to clear SEFIs up to 25 MeV/(mg/cm<sup>2</sup>)

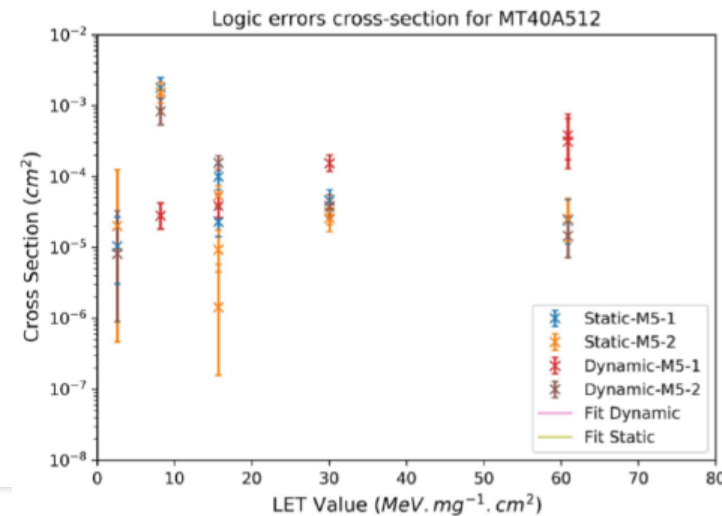


Weibull parameters (Static mode)

Parameter	Value
A	1.14E-10
x <sub>0</sub>	0.5
S	3.43
W	141.29

Weibull parameters (Dynamic mode)

Parameter	Value
A	4.49E-11
x <sub>0</sub>	0.5
S	3.79
W	98.87



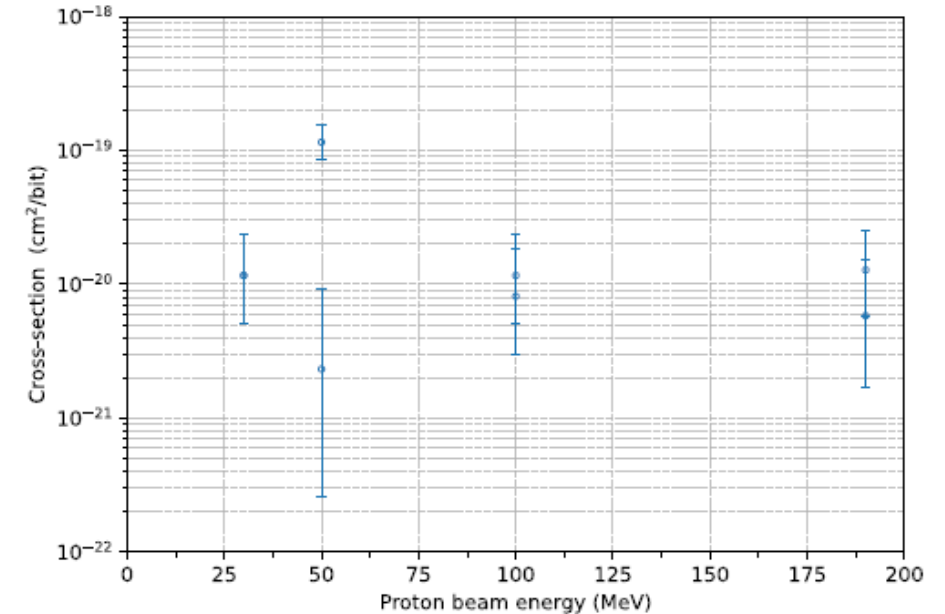


# DDR4 SEE Radiation Testing

## Protons Results

- ❖ 2 samples (tested in single die)
- ❖ Proton beam up to 190MeV

RUN	Proton energy (MeV)	Fluence (p+.cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Dose (krad)	Duration (s)	BoardID	Bits	Upsets	Upset cross-section (cm <sup>2</sup> /bit)	Row errors	Column errors
RUN001	100	1.00E+11	9.34	1477	6	8,589,934,592	7	8.15E-21	6770	692
RUN002	190	1.00E+11	6.00	1493	6	8,589,934,592	5	5.82E-21	5144	418
RUN006	190	1.00E+11	6.00	1418	7	8,589,934,592	11	1.28E-20	17505	448
RUN007	100	1.00E+11	9.34	1414	7	8,589,934,592	10	1.16E-20	12075	374
RUN010	50	1.00E+11	15.82	1498	7	8,589,934,592	99	1.15E-19	14595	287
RUN011	30	1.00E+11	23.63	1572	7	8,589,934,592	10	1.16E-20	10024	216
RUN012	30	1.00E+11	23.63	1429	6	8,589,934,592	10	1.16E-20	8148	392
RUN013	50	1.00E+11	15.82	1487	6	8,589,934,592	2	2.33E-21	8665	544



### ❖ Main takeaways:

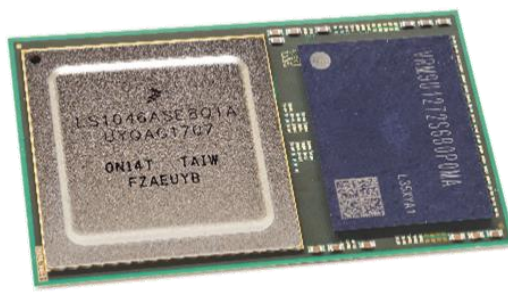
- ❖ All upsets are SBU => corrected by ECC !
- ❖ Low-sensitivity at all energies: in the range of 1e-20 cm<sup>2</sup>/bit
- ❖ Logic errors (row and column) are mitigated by applying “reset” operation

# TID verification

## LS1046-Space & DDR4

- ❖ LS1046-Space
  - ❖ Dose up to 100 krad (Si)
  - ❖ 6 Samples biased ON using a dummy software
  - ❖ 6 Samples biased OFF (all pin connected to Ground)
  - ❖ Use of UltraFLEX equipment for electrical testing (Teledyne e2v industrial tester)
  
- ❖ DDR4T04G72
  - ❖ Dose up to 100 krad (Si)
  - ❖ 5 Samples biased ON
  - ❖ 5 Samples biased OFF (all pin connected to Ground)
  
- ❖ Successful results: LS1046-Space and DDR4T04G72 can sustain a dose of 100krad (Si)

# Conclusion



- ❖ Quick recap:
  - ❖ Radiation testing strategy applied by Teledyne e2v on its edge processing devices
  - ❖ Presented the setups and main radiation results for QSL1046-Space:
    - ❖ LS1046-Space processor results,
    - ❖ DDR4T04G72 results,
- ❖ QLS1046-Space offers a good radiation performance with a comprehensive set of data
  - ❖ Detailed results available in radiation reports (available upon request)

# Credits

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QUESTIONS ?