

# **SEE characterization of SpaceWire Remote Terminal Control (RTC) AT7913 of ATMEL**

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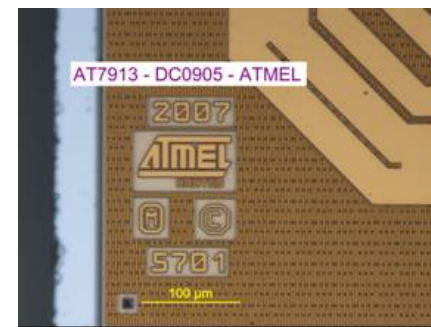
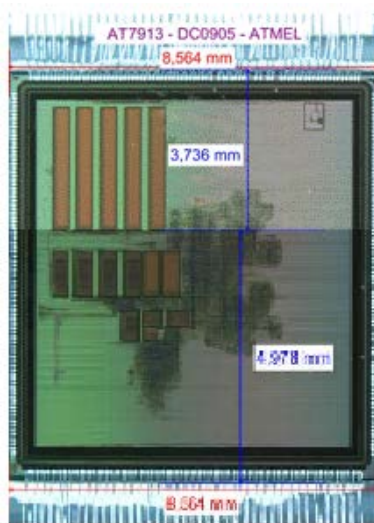
- **The project**
- **SEE tests**
  - Beam description
  - Device description
  - Test bench overview
  - For each function tested
    - Test method
    - Test results
- **Conclusion**

# Aim of the project

- The test has performed in response at request of European Space Agency
- The development has lasted several months
- 40 hours of beam facility have used, separated in two test campaigns.

# SEE tests: Parts

| PART IDENTIFICATION            |                                      |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Type :                         | AT7913                               |
| Manufacturer :                 | ATMEL                                |
| Function :                     | SpaceWire Remote Terminal Controller |
| PARTS PROCUREMENT INFORMATIONS |                                      |
| Packaging :                    | MCGA 349                             |
| Sample size:                   | 2 irradiated samples                 |



## Irradiation facility: U.C.L.

- At UCL, Heavy ions available are separated in two “Ion Cocktails”, one for the High LET ( $M/Q=5$ ) and a second one for the High Range ( $M/Q=3.3$ ). Here bellows are given the characteristics of each cocktail.
- The irradiations were performed with the heavy ion in yellow of High range cocktail and the High LET cocktail.

| Ion                     | Energy (MeV) | Range ( $\mu\text{m}(\text{Si})$ ) | LET ( $\text{MeV.cm}^2.\text{mg}^{-1}$ ) |
|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--|
| $^{15}\text{N}^{3+}$    | 60           | 59                                 | 3.3                                      |
| $^{20}\text{Ne}^{4+}$   | 78           | 45                                 | 6.4                                      |
| $^{40}\text{Ar}^{8+}$   | 151          | 40                                 | 15.9                                     |
| $^{84}\text{Kr}^{17+}$  | 305          | 39                                 | 40.4                                     |
| $^{124}\text{Xe}^{25+}$ | 420          | 37                                 | 67.7                                     |

UCL cocktail  $M/Q=5$

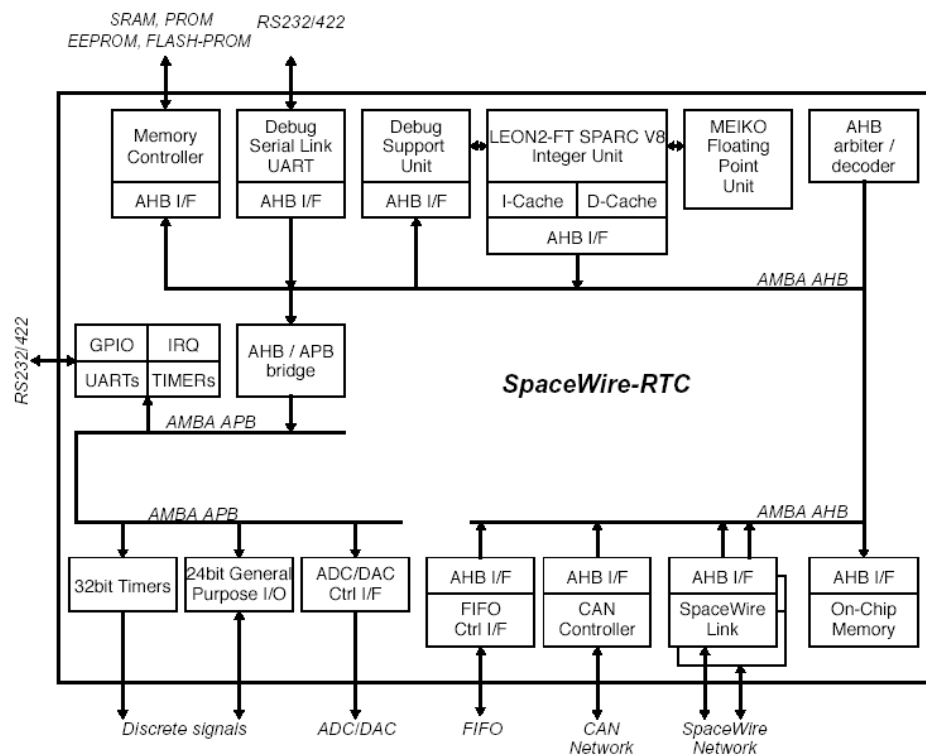
| Ion                    | Energy (MeV) | Range ( $\mu\text{m}(\text{Si})$ ) | LET ( $\text{MeV.cm}^2.\text{mg}^{-1}$ ) |
|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--|
| $^{13}\text{C}^{4+}$   | 131          | 292                                | 1.1                                      |
| $^{22}\text{Ne}^{7+}$  | 235          | 216                                | 3  |
| $^{40}\text{Ar}^{12+}$ | 372          | 117                                | 10.2                                     |
| $^{58}\text{Ni}^{18+}$ | 567          | 100                                | 20.4                                     |
| $^{83}\text{Kr}^{25+}$ | 756          | 92                                 | 32.6                                     |

UCL cocktail  $M/Q=3.3$

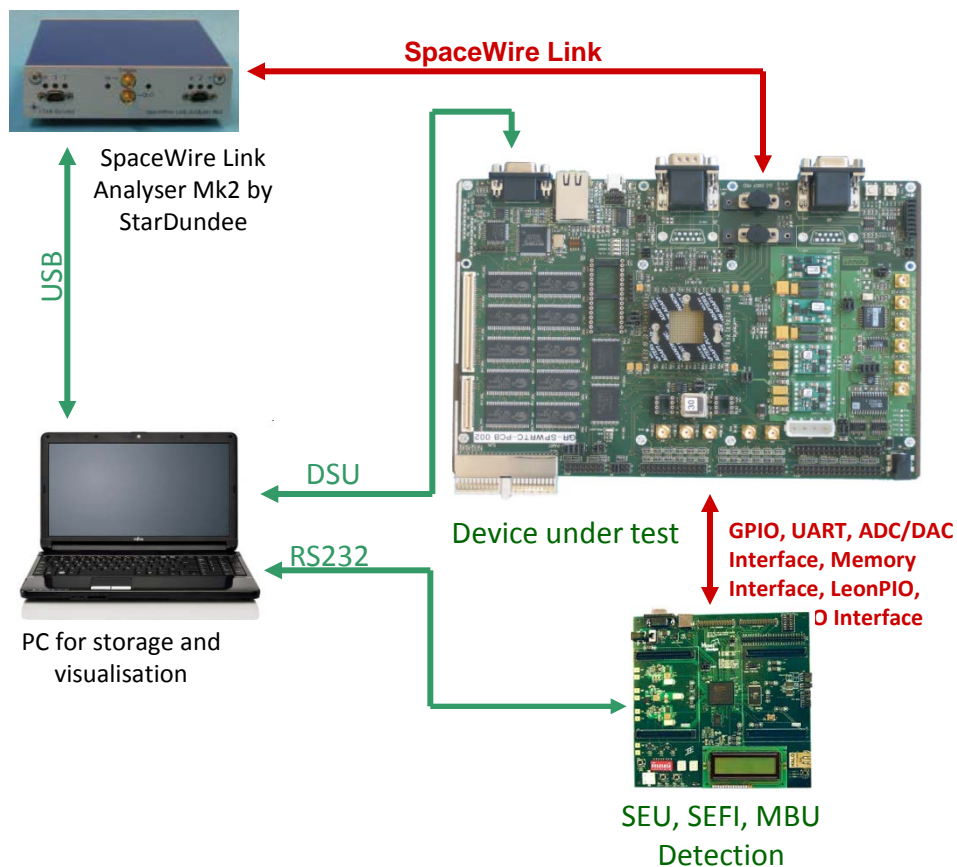
- The SpaceWire Remote Terminal Controller (RTC) is a bridge between the SpaceWire network and the CAN bus, providing a fully integrated system.

## The functions tested are:

- an embedded microprocessor
- a FIFO interface
- a ADC/DAC interface
- a Memory Controller
- a UARTs port
- a 32-bit timers
- a General Purpose Input Output
- a On-Chip Memory
- a CAN bus controller
- a SpaceWire controller

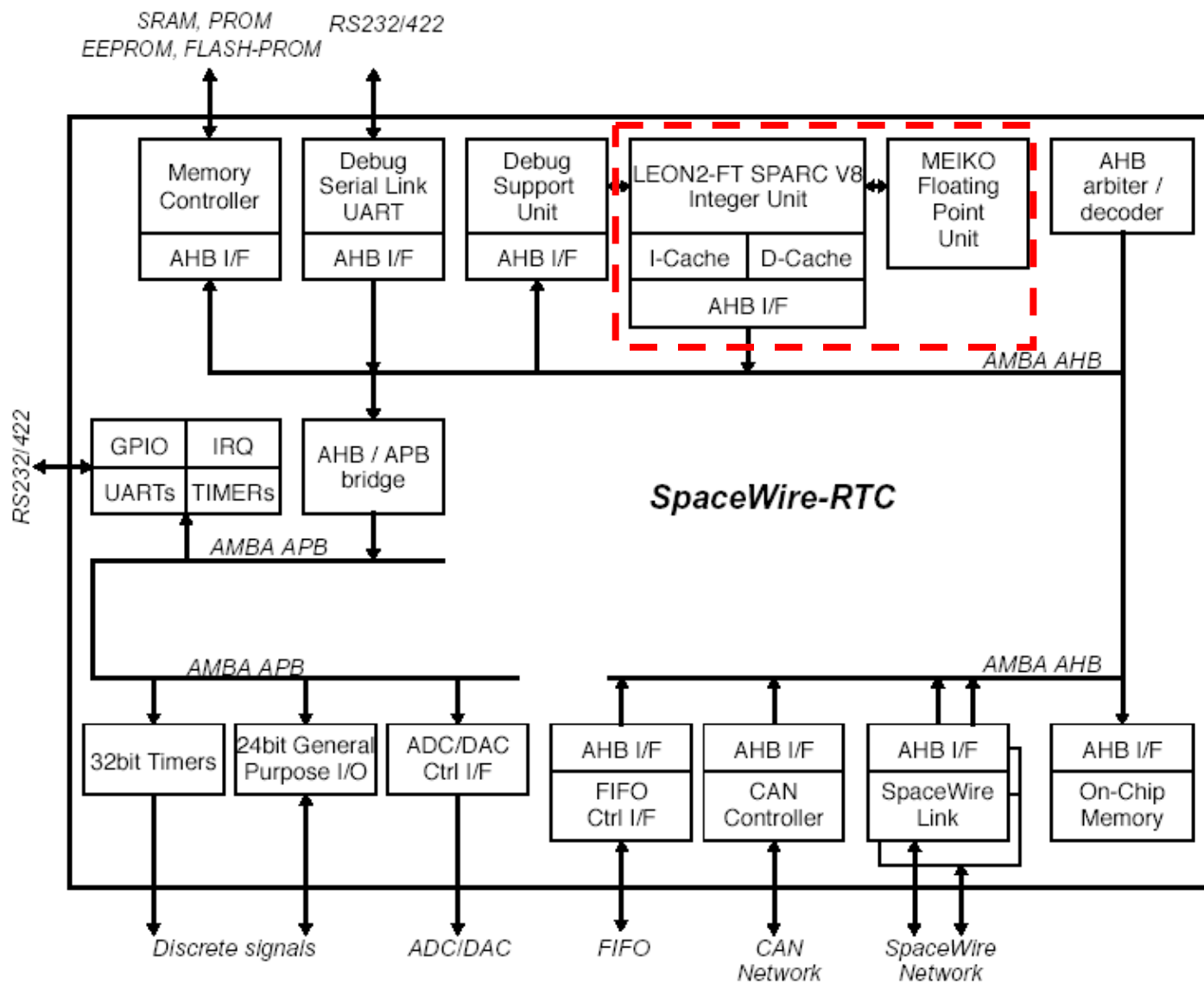


# Test bench overview



\* A test is terminated for a fluence of  $10^6 \text{ .cm}^{-2}$  is reached or 100 events are observed.

# The LEON2-FT

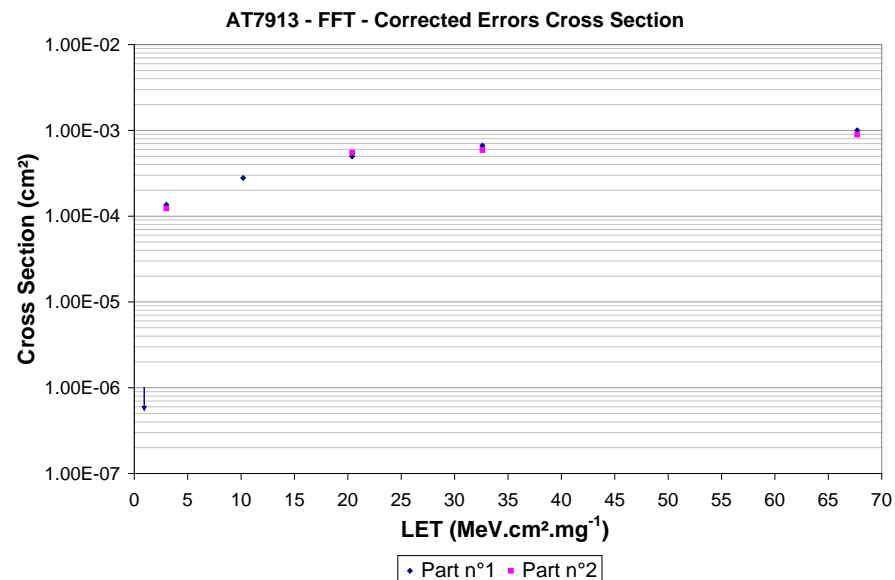
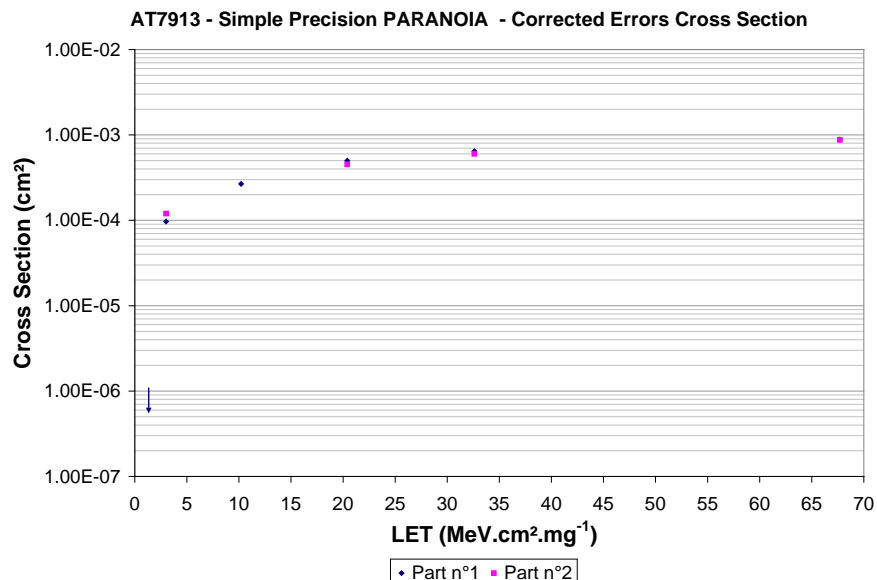


## LEON2-FT Sparc V8 Processor

- 4K instruction caches / 4K data caches
- Meiko FPU
- Interrupt Controller
- Uart serial links
- 32-bit Timers
- Memory Controller
- General purpose IO
- Debug Support Unit (DSU)
- stage pipeline

- Two target applications using in dynamic test PARANOÏA and FFT method:
  - For each test, the test bench provide this log :
    - Number of successful/unsuccessful runs
    - Number of traps
    - Number of corrected/uncorrected errors
- SEU statics tests comparison before/after irradiation of :
  - Registers
  - Cache memories (Instruction and Data)

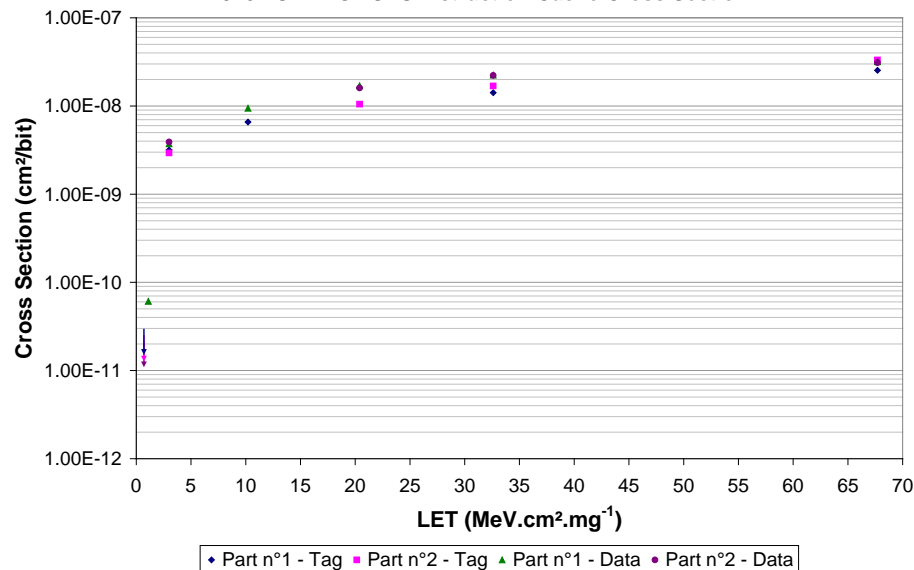
- SEE detected:
  - A majority of corrected errors
  - Few Traps
  - Few unsuccessful runs
- FFT and Paranoïa show the same sensitivity
- No lost of functionality which require OFF/ON of the power supply



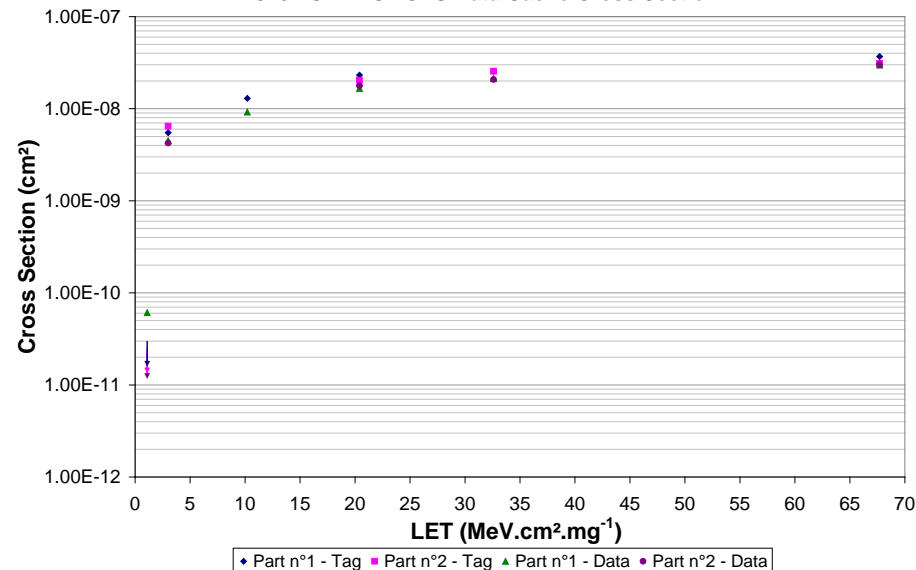
## SEE detected:

- SEU on Instruction and Data cache memories
- Few SEU on Registers

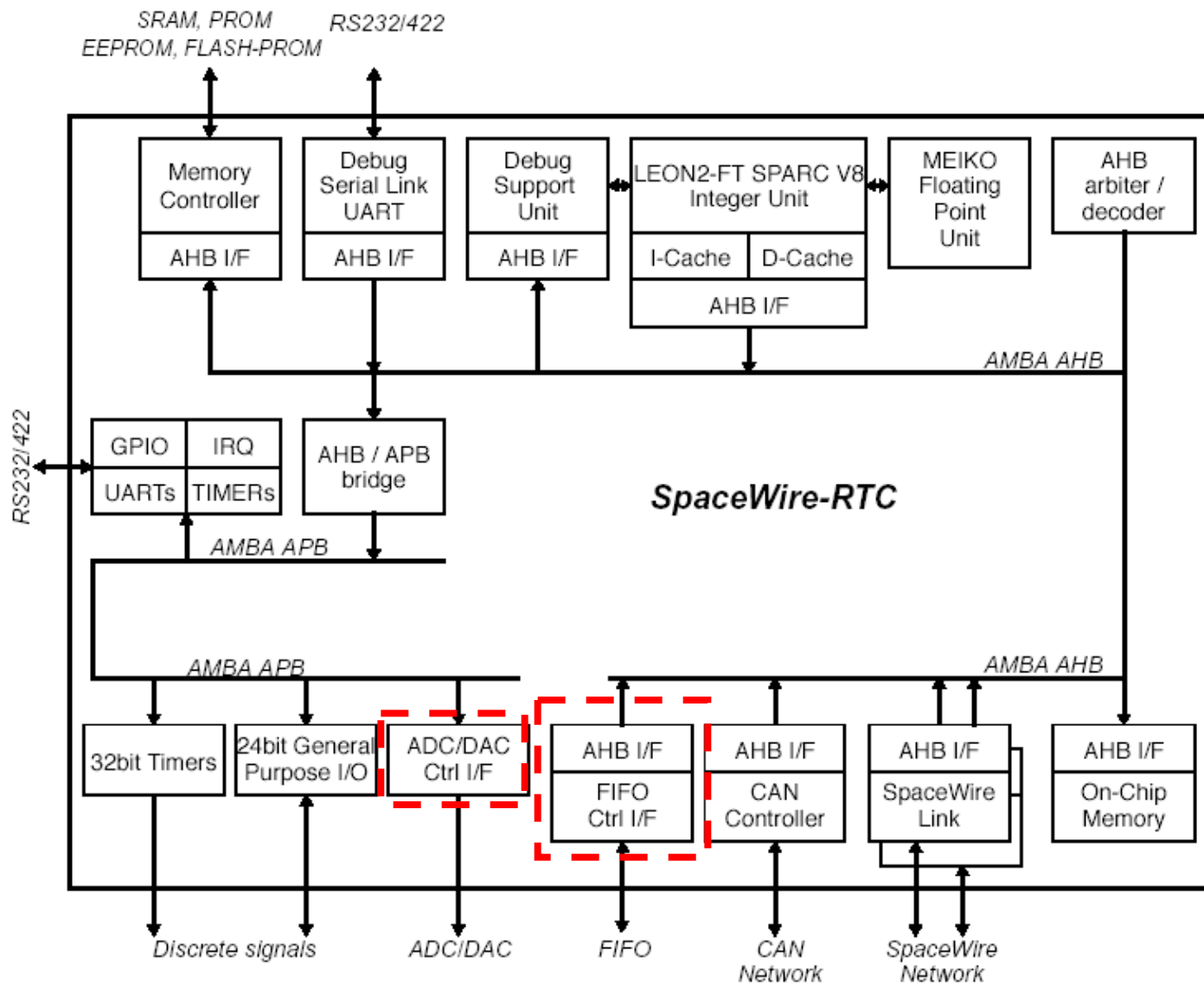
AT7913 - STATIC - SEU Instruction Cache Cross Section



AT7913 - STATIC - SEU Data Cache Cross Section

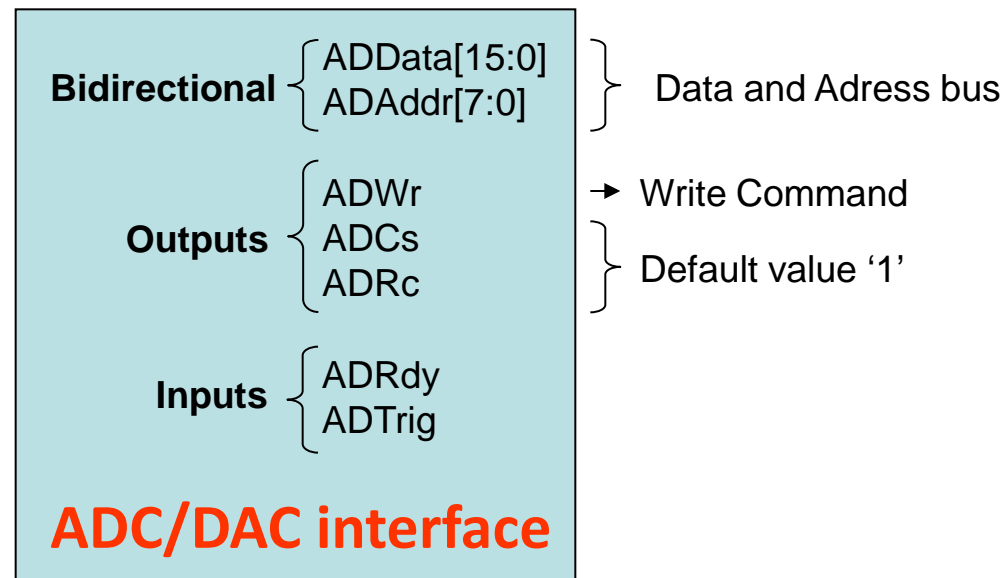
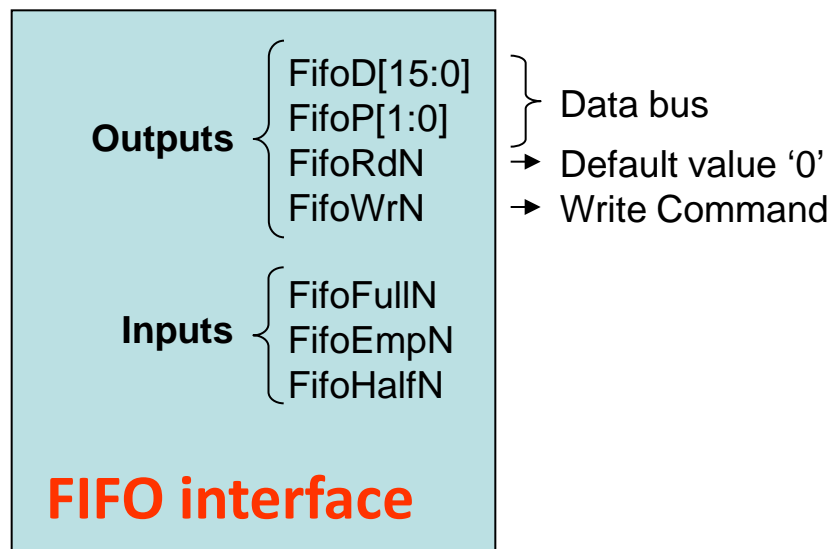


# FIFO & ADC/DAC interface



# FIFO & ADC/DAC interface: Test method

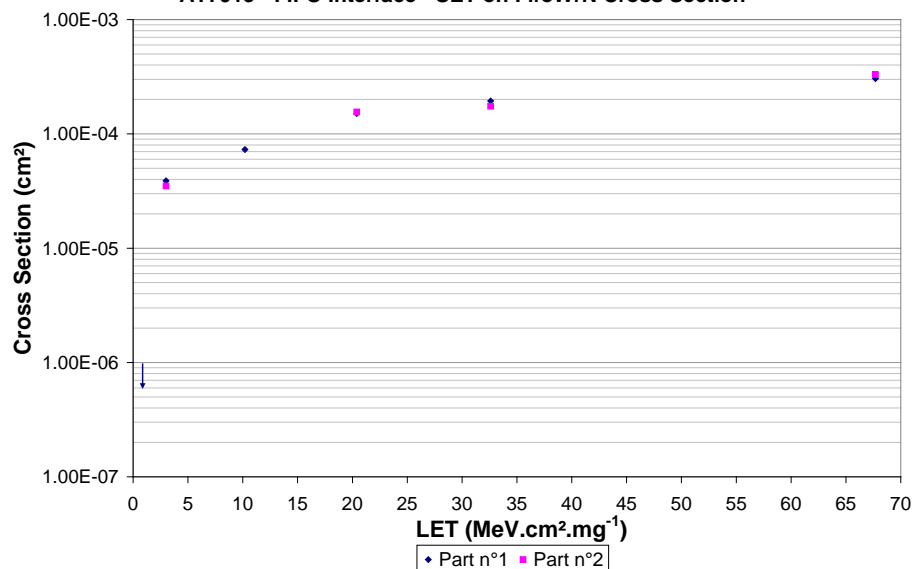
- FIFO and ADC/DAC interface are put in periodic writing operation and these outputs are probed:
  - Data and address bus
  - Write command
  - Static output Default value



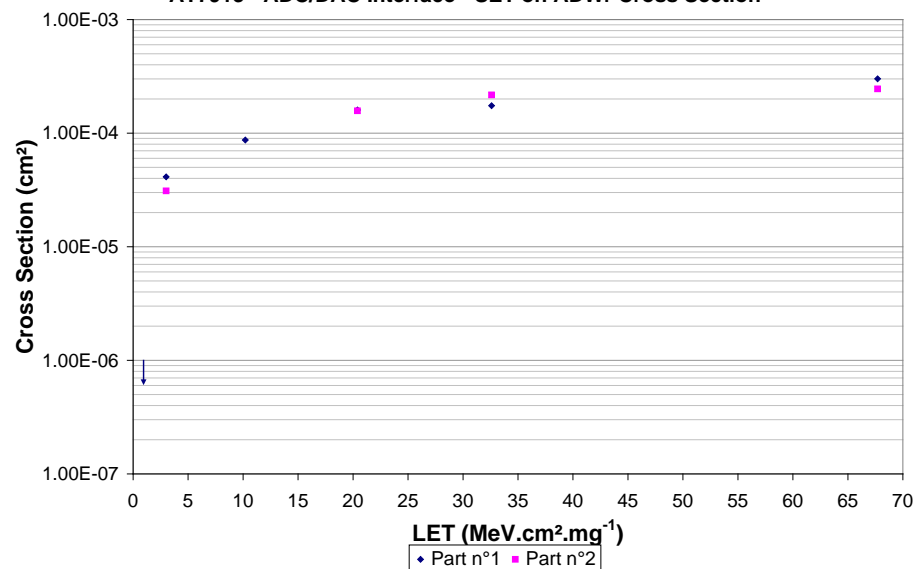
## ■ SEE detected on both interface:

- SEU on Write command
- Few SEFI due to Trap

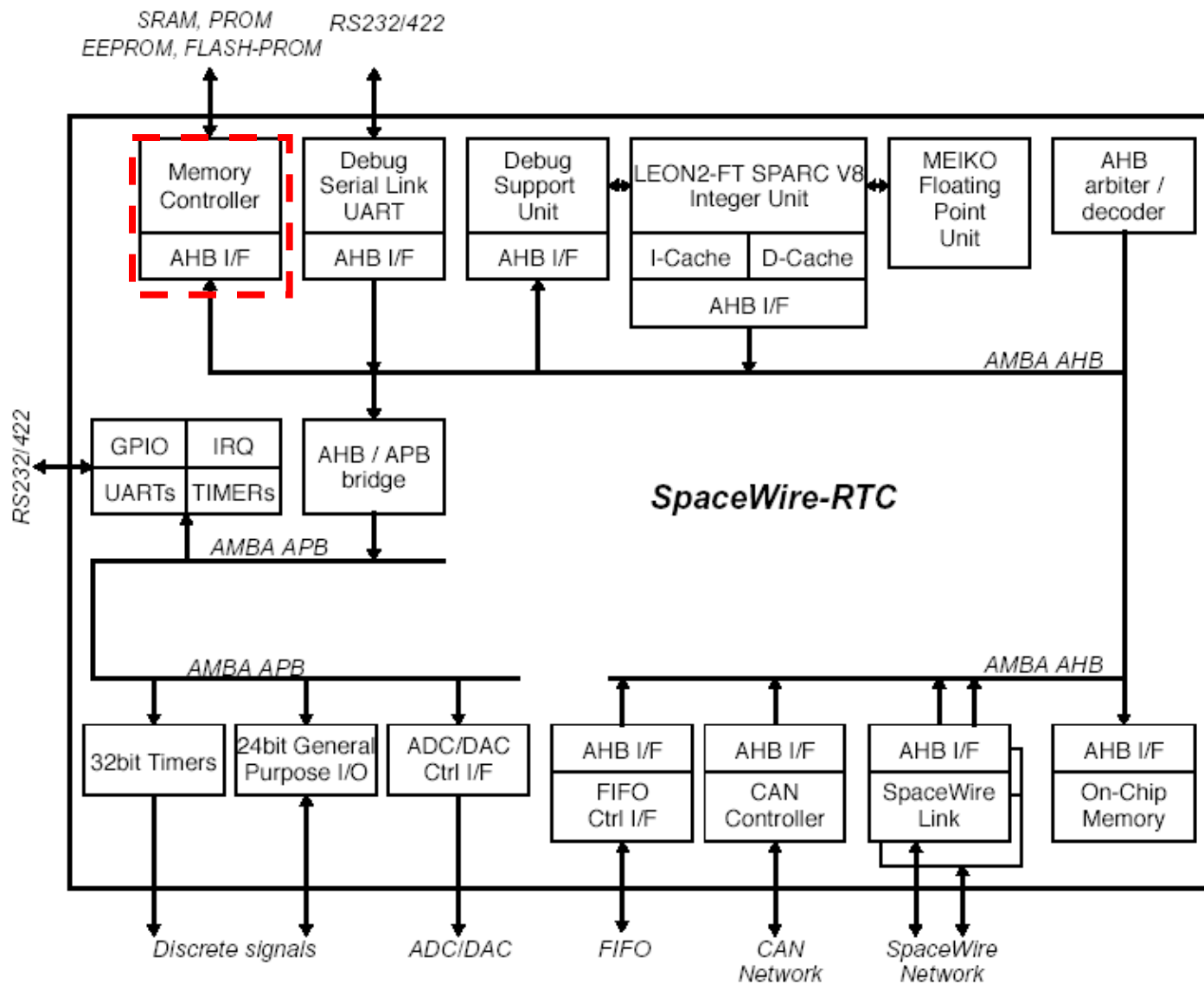
AT7913 - FIFO Interface - SET on FifoWrN Cross Section



AT7913 - ADC/DAC Interface - SET on ADWr Cross Section



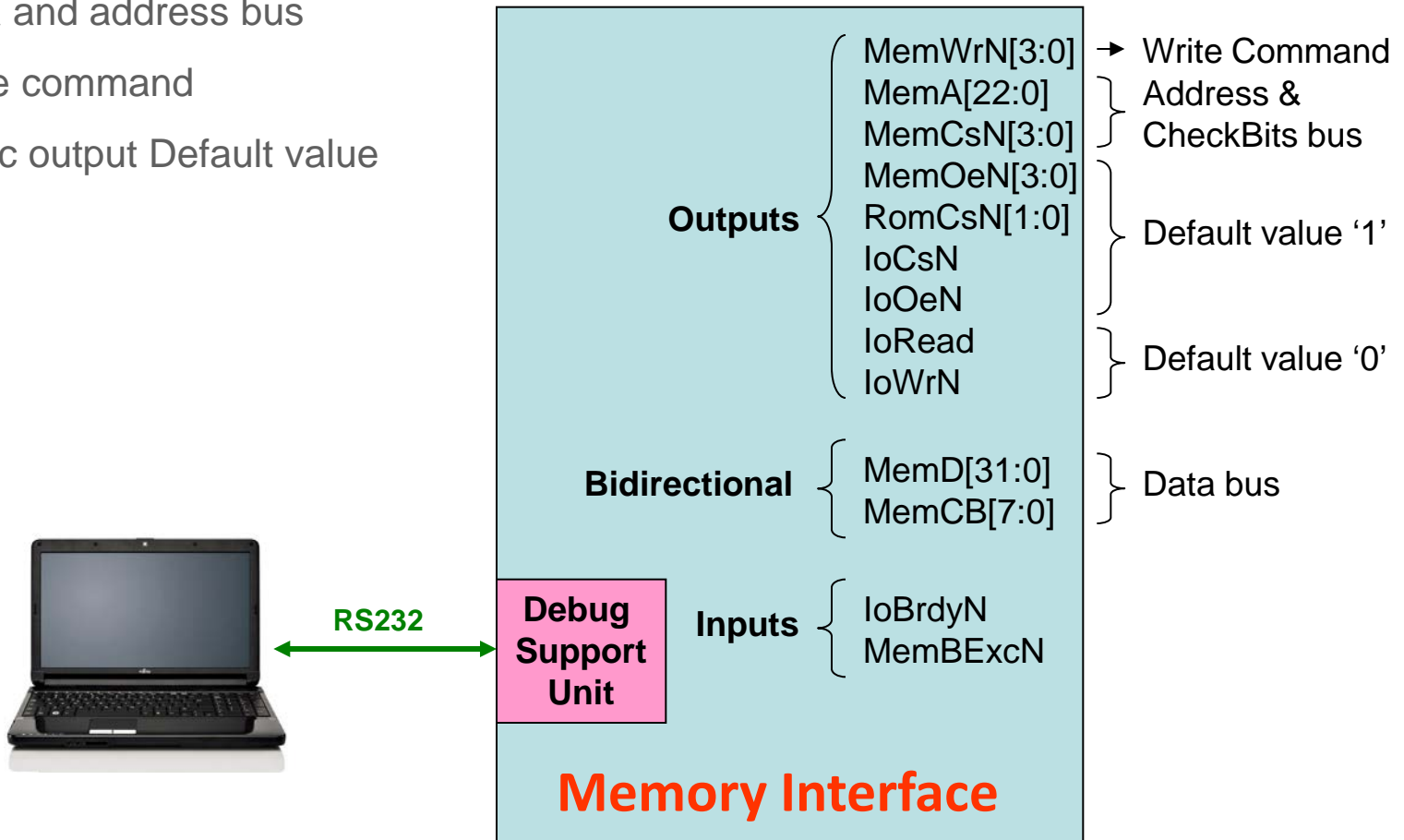
# Memory Controller



# Memory Controller: Test method

- Memory controller is put in write operation and its outputs are probed:

- Data and address bus
- Write command
- Static output Default value



# Memory Controller: Test results

- SEE detected on both interface:
  - SEFI due to error on register and trap

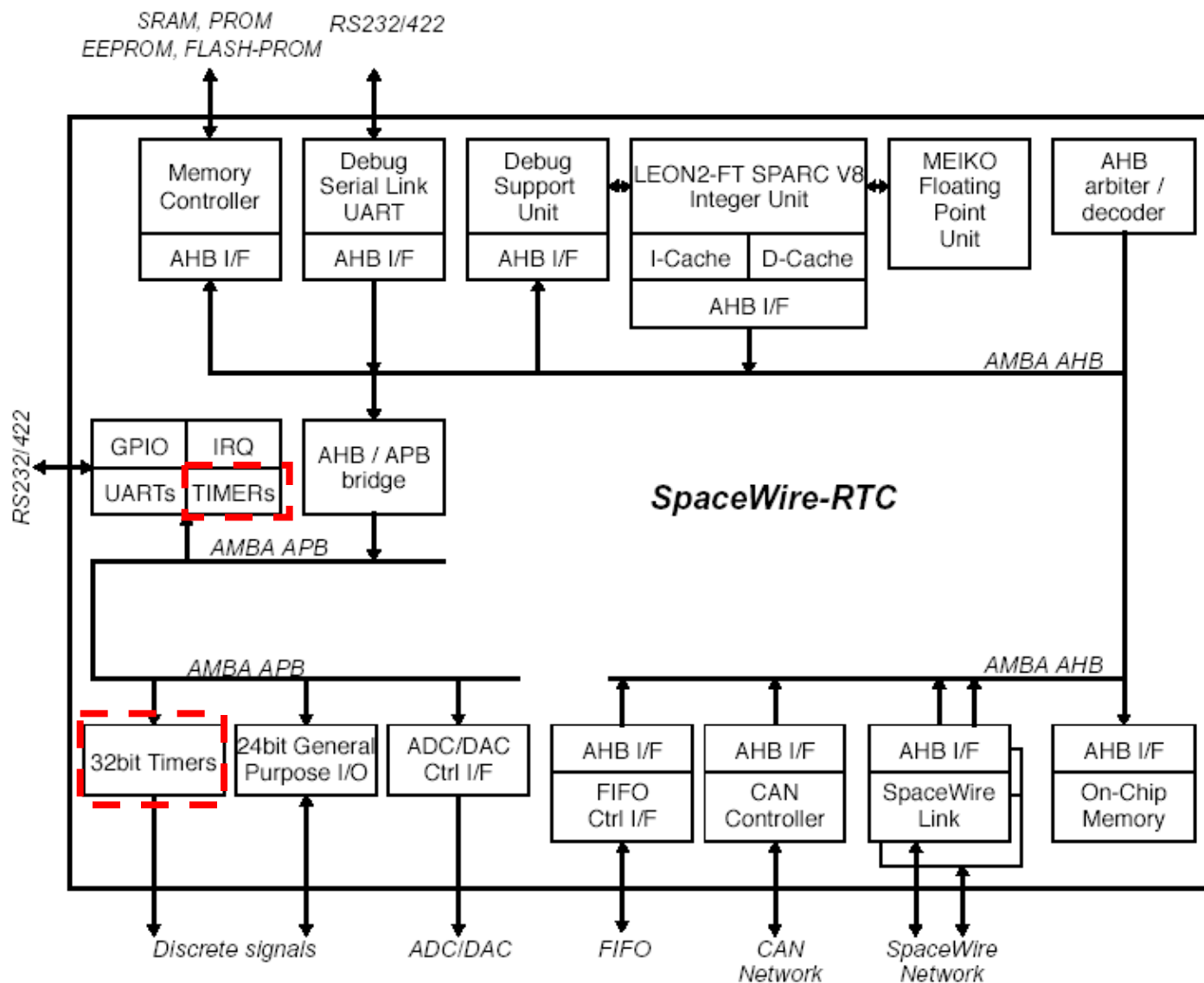
| Run                | Part | Ion       | Energy (MeV) | Range (μm) | LET (MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> /mg) | Flux (φ) (cm <sup>-2</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> ) | Time (s) | Run Fluence (Φ) (cm <sup>-2</sup> ) | SET WrN | SET Static Signals | SEU | SEFI | Number of Iteration |
|--------------------|------|-----------|--------------|------------|-------------------------------|---|----------|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| High Range M/Q=3.3 |      |           |              |            |                               |   |          |                                     |         |                    |     |      |                     |
| 13                 | 1    | 83 Kr 25+ | 756          | 92         | 32.6                          | 1.09E+03                                      | 555      | 6.03E+05                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 0    | 43497               |
| 45                 | 2    | 83 Kr 25+ | 756          | 92         | 32.6                          | 1.03E+03                                      | 973      | 1.00E+06                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 1    | 16383               |
| 58                 | 1    | 58 Ni 18+ | 567          | 100        | 20.4                          | 1.01E+03                                      | 986      | 1.00E+06                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 0    | 12156               |
| 75                 | 2    | 58 Ni 18+ | 567          | 100        | 20.4                          | 1.18E+03                                      | 849      | 1.00E+06                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 0    | 65505               |
| 93                 | 1    | 22 Ne 7+  | 235          | 216        | 3                             | 1.63E+03                                      | 37       | 6.03E+04                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 0    | 7491                |
| High Range M/Q=5   |      |           |              |            |                               |   |          |                                     |         |                    |     |      |                     |
| 132                | 1    | 124Xe 26+ | 420          | 37         | 67.7                          | 1.06E+03                                      | 946      | 1.00E+06                            | 0       | 0                  | 0   | 0    | 10160               |
| 167                | 2    | 124Xe 26+ | 420          | 37         | 67.7                          | 1.44E+03                                      | 696      | 1.00E+06                            | 0       | 1                  | 0   | 2    | 25246               |

## Test results

| Mem CB error |            |              |           | Data expected |            |              |           |
|--------------|------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|------------|--------------|-----------|
| MemCsN (\$)  | MemCB (\$) | Address (\$) | Data (\$) | MemCsN (\$)   | MemCB (\$) | Address (\$) | Data (\$) |
| E            | 0          | 555554       | 5555555   | E             | C          | 555554       | 5555555   |
| D            | 0          | 2AAAA8       | AAAAAAA   | D             | C          | 2AAAA8       | AAAAAAA   |

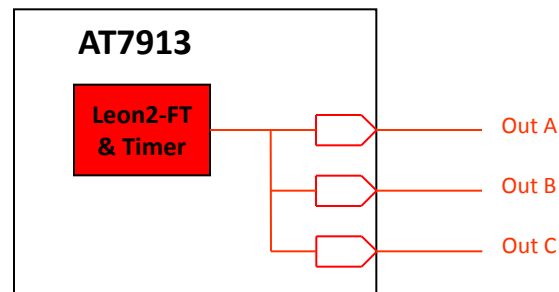
## Memory controller SEFI case

# 32-bit Timers



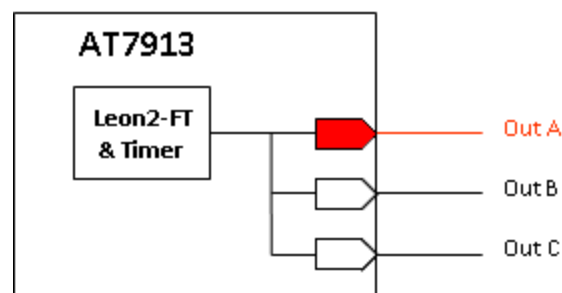
## 32-bit Timers: Test method

- On each timer interrupt, the Leon2-FT toggle Out A, Out B and Out C. Two kinds of event can be observed:
  - If the error is observed on the 3 output → SEU on Timer or Leon2.



Leon2-FT or Timer error

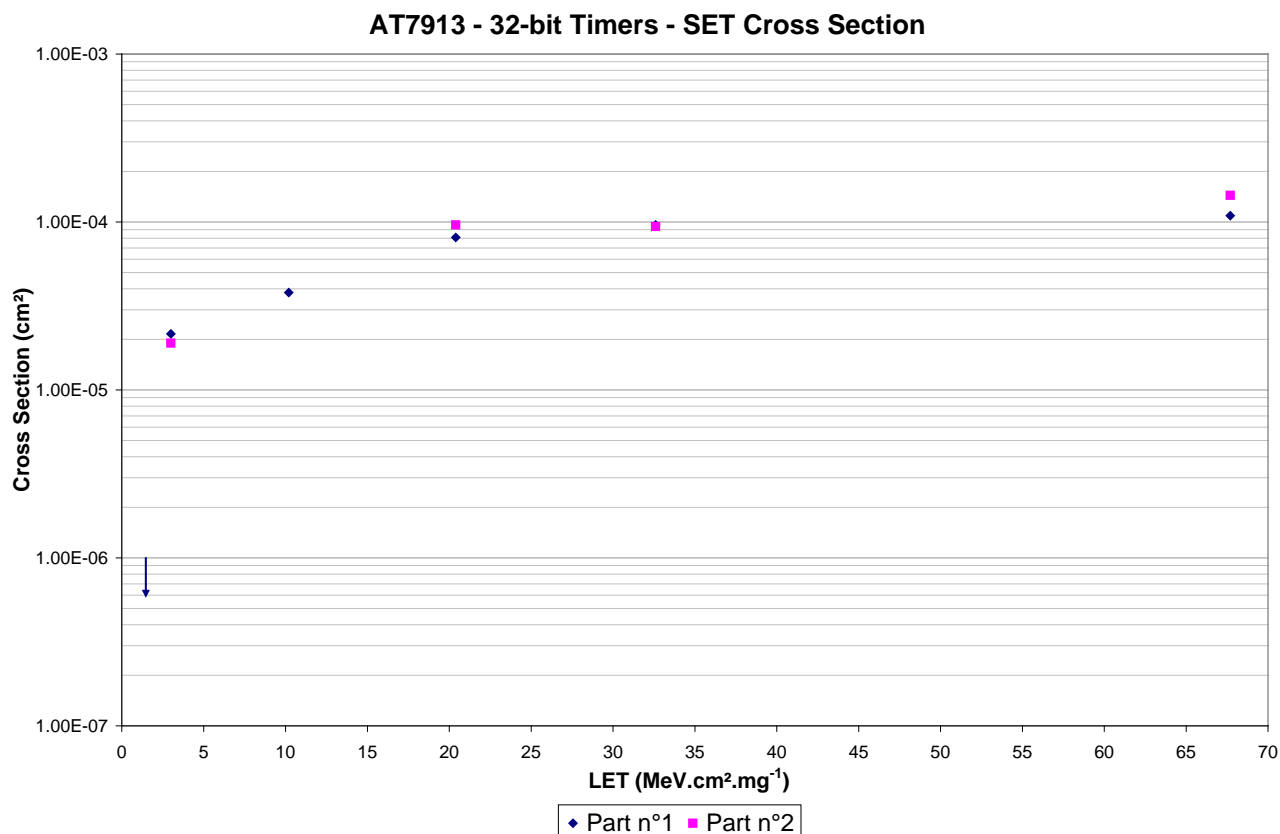
- If only one output is impacted → SEU on the output stage

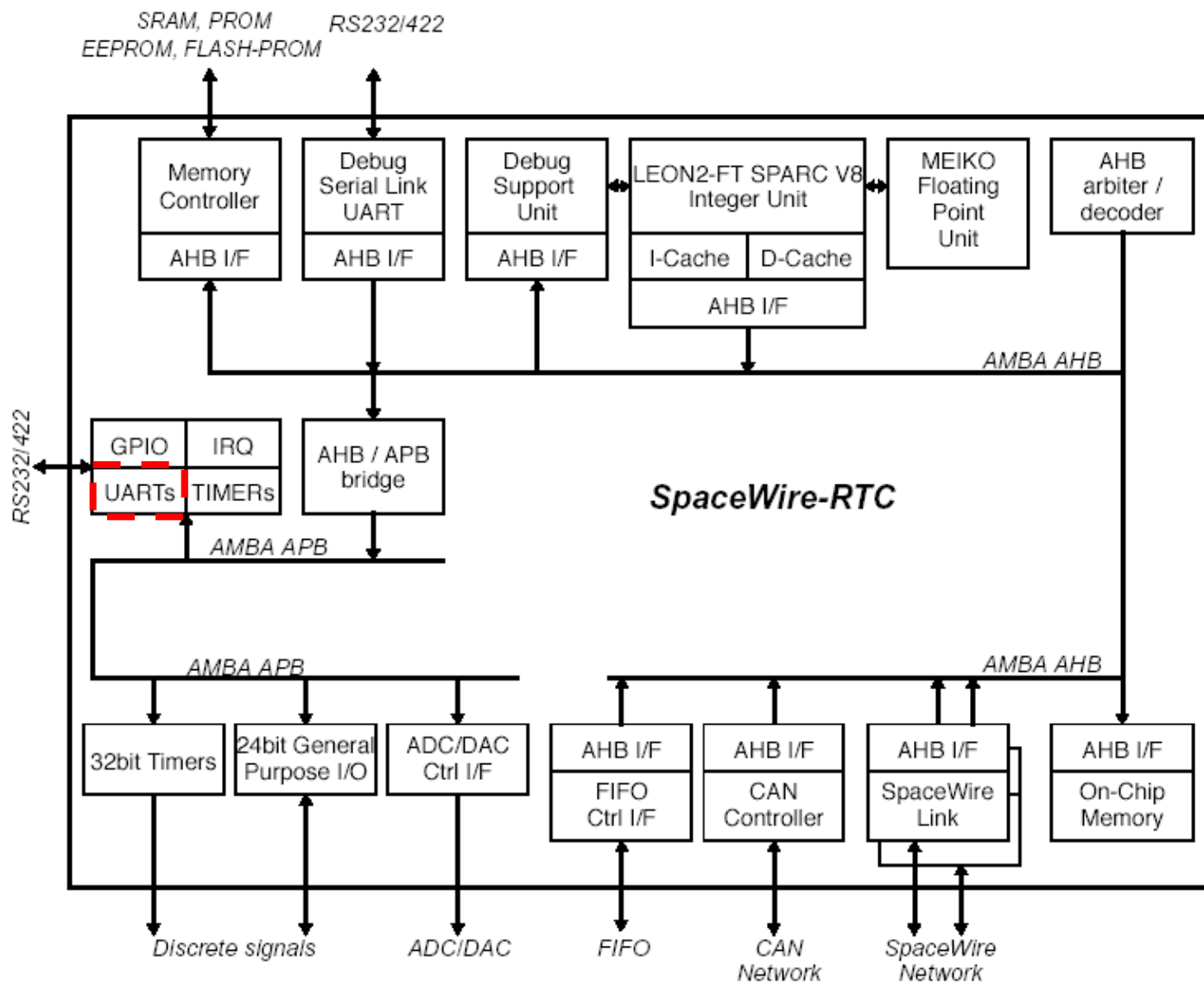


Output stage error

# 32-bit Timers: Test Results

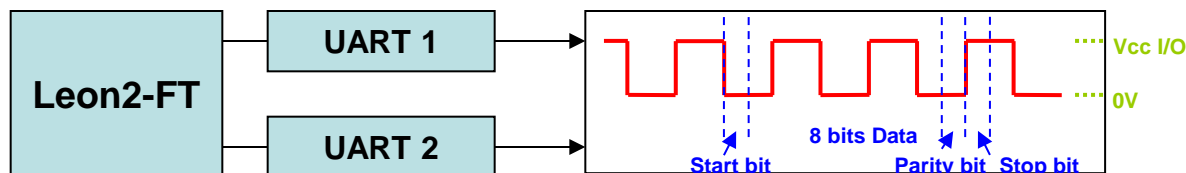
- SEE detected on:
  - Mainly on Leon and Timer
  - No SEU on Output stage





# UARTs: Test Method & Results

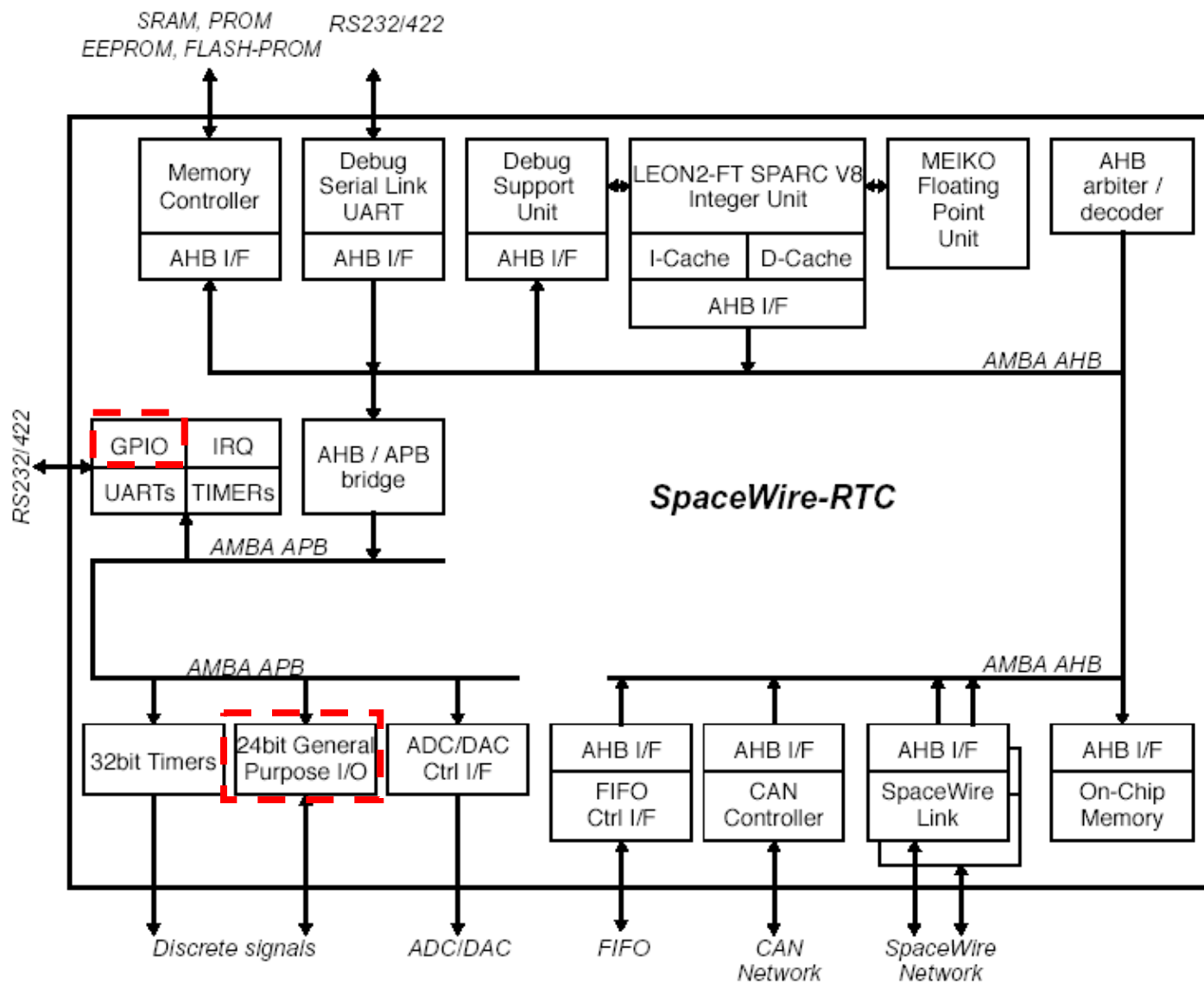
- The Leon2-FT sends continuously through the UARTs port a same data:
  - An error is detected when the pulse widths change on TX1 or TX2 outputs



- SEE detected on:
  - Few SET observed
  - Few SEFI observed

| LET Eff<br>(MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> .mg <sup>-1</sup> ) | UART 1 |      |      |      | UART 2 |      |      |      |
|---|--------|------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|
|   | SET    |      | SEFI |      | SET    |      | SEFI |      |
|   | N° 1   | N° 2 | N° 1 | N° 2 | N° 1   | N° 2 | N° 1 | N° 2 |
| 67.7  | 0      | 0    | 4    | 2    | 0      | 1    | 0    | 1    |
| 32.6  | 0      | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0    | 1    |
| 20.4  | 0      | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0    | 1    |
| 10.2  | 0      | -    | 0    | -    | 0      | -    | 0    | -    |
| 3   | 0      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0    | 0    |

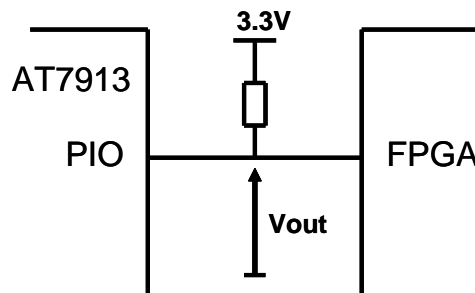
UARTs results



# GPIO: Test Methods & Results

- The 32-bits GPIO are set to '0':

- When a GPIO switches from '0' to '1' due to direction changing, a SEFI is detected.
- When there is a disruption on GPIO, a SEU is detected



Link between GPIO and the system of error detection

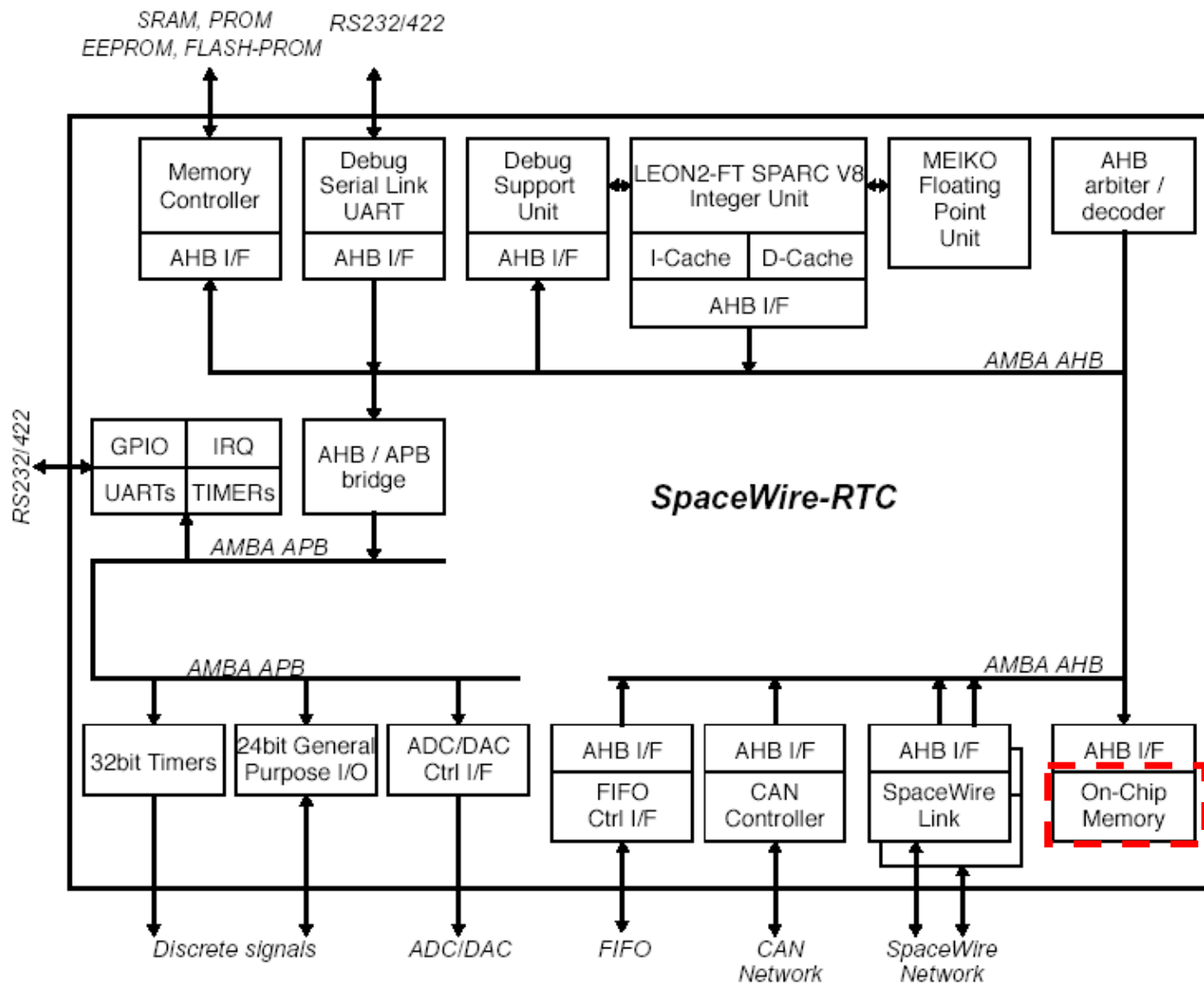
- SEE detected on:

- No SEU observed
- Few SEFI observed due to direction switching

| LET Eff<br>(MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> .mg-1) | SEU  |      | SEFI |      |
|--|------|------|------|------|
|  | N° 1 | N° 2 | N° 1 | N° 2 |
| 67.7                                   | 0    | 0    | 2    | 3    |
| 32.6                                   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |

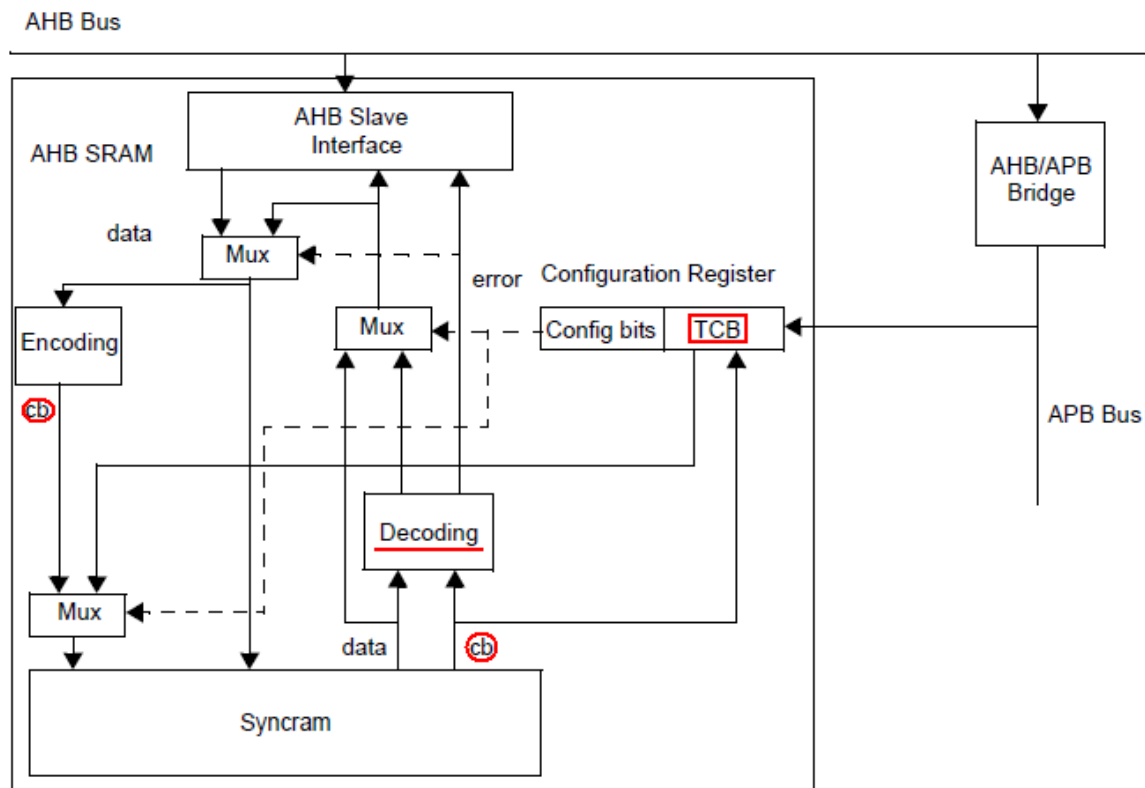
GPIO results

# On-chip Memory



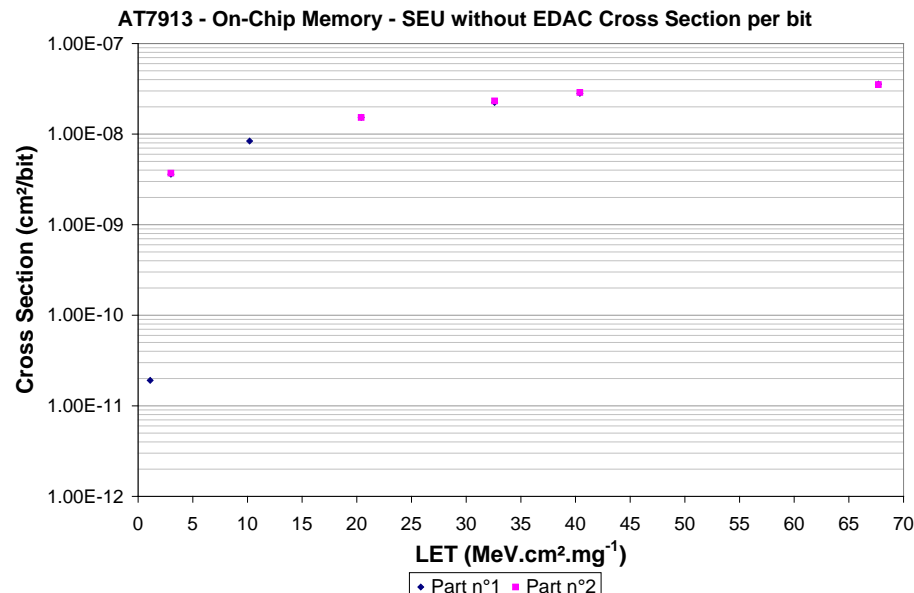
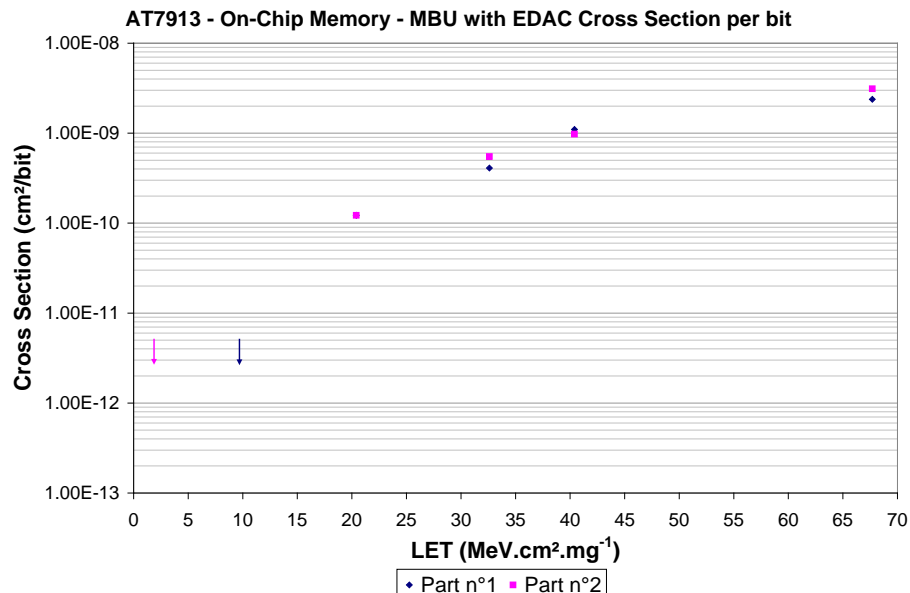
# On-chip Memory: Test method

- The Debug Support Unit is used to access the on-chip memory
- The on chip memory include an EDAC protection. This protection allow to correct one error and detect two errors.
- The memory is tested with and without EDAC in order to evaluate its effect.

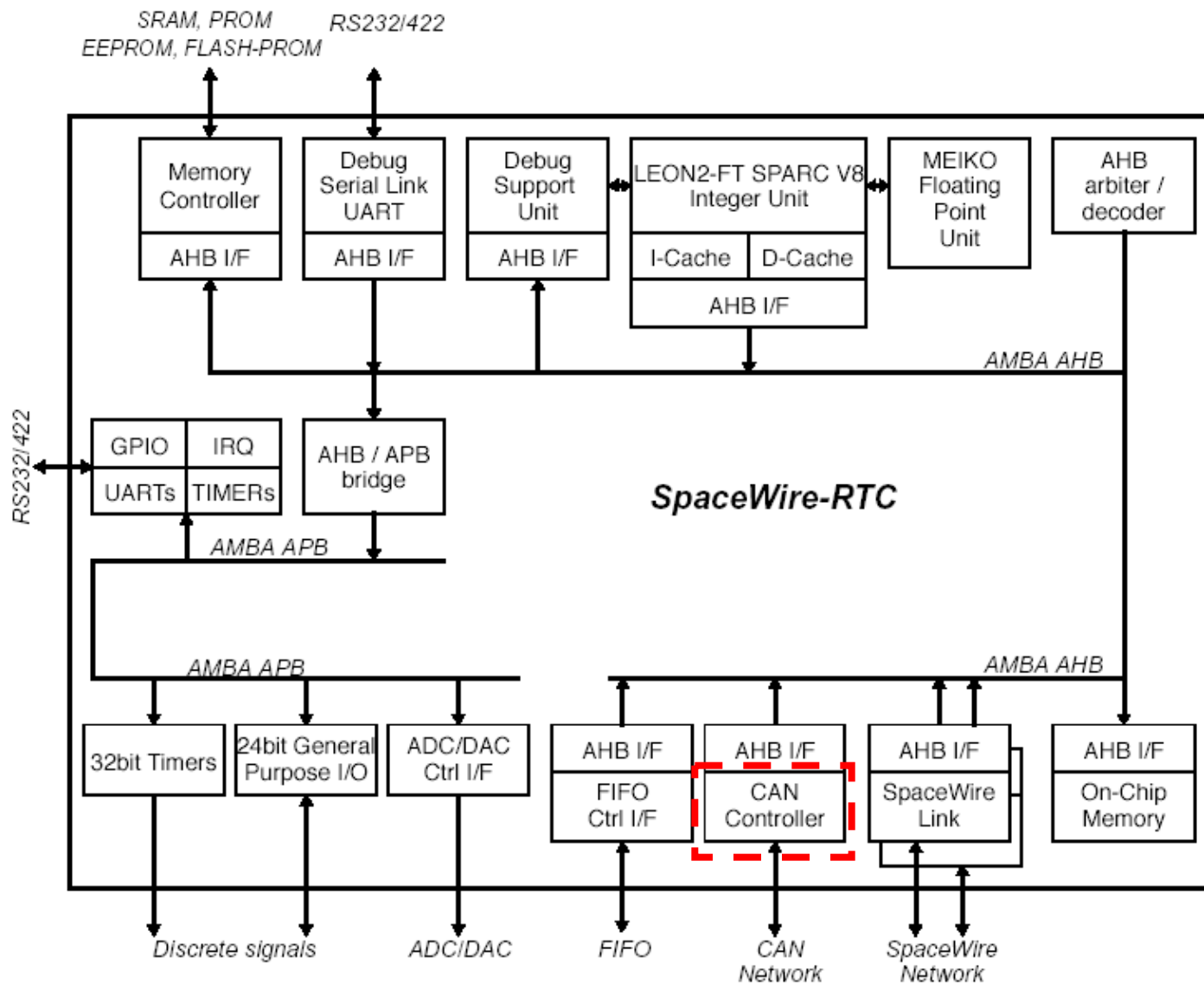


The FT AHB RAM block diagram

- SEE detected with EDAC:
  - Mainly MBU are detected but that can be due to high flux
  - Few SEU are detected on data due to SEU on 7-bit of EDAC protection
- SEE detected without EDAC:
  - Mainly SEU are detected
  - The sensitivity of MBU is the same with and without EDAC protection

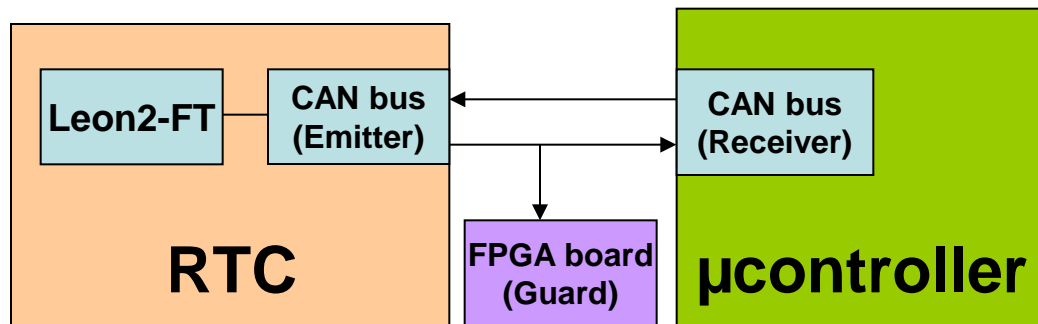


# CAN bus



## CAN bus: Test Method & Results

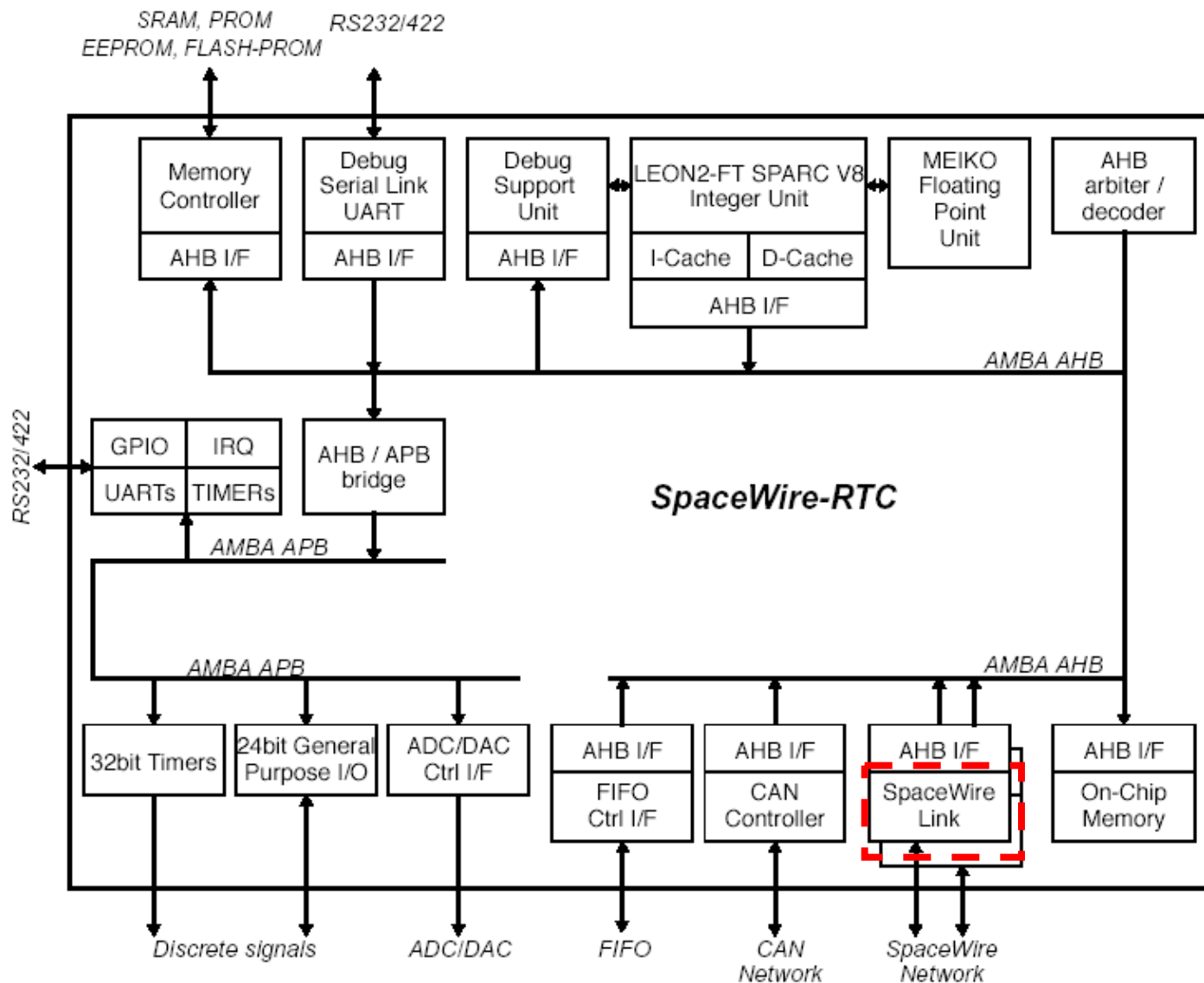
- The Leon2-FT sends continuously through the CAN bus a same data:
  - When a disruption occurs on the TX of CAN bus, a SEE is detected



- SEE detected on:
  - Few SEU observed
  - Few SEFI observed

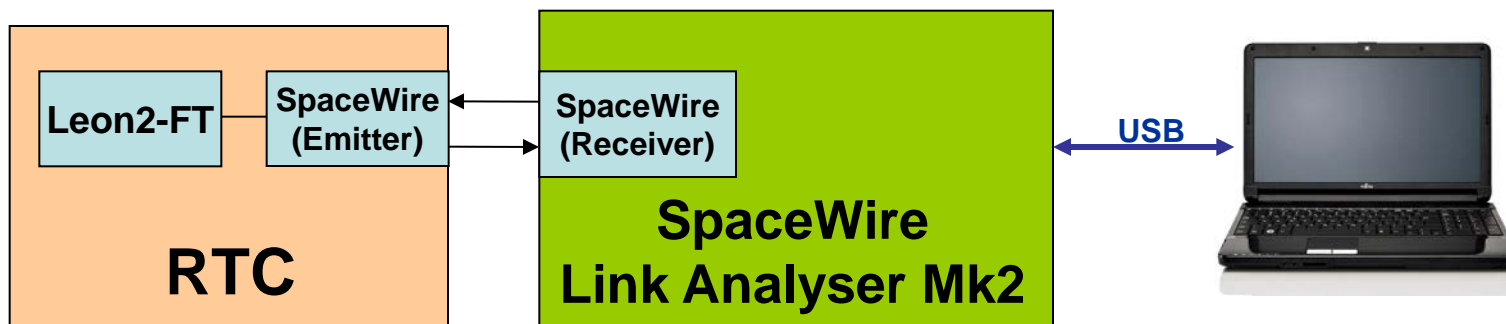
| LET Eff<br>(MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> .mg-1) | SEU  |      | SEFI |      |
|--|------|------|------|------|
|  | N° 1 | N° 2 | N° 1 | N° 2 |
| 67.7                                   | 2    | 3    | 3    | 0    |
| 32.6                                   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |

CAN bus results



## SpaceWire: Test Method

- The SpaceWire link two signals Data and Strobe. The clock signal is encoded into a Strobe signal in such a way that XORing the Data.
- The Leon2-FT sends continuously through the SpaceWire a same data.
- Four frequencies are used : 10, 50, 100, 200 MHz
- The SpaceWire Link Anylser Mk2 of StarDundee is set to trigger and to acquisition of signals for all errors.



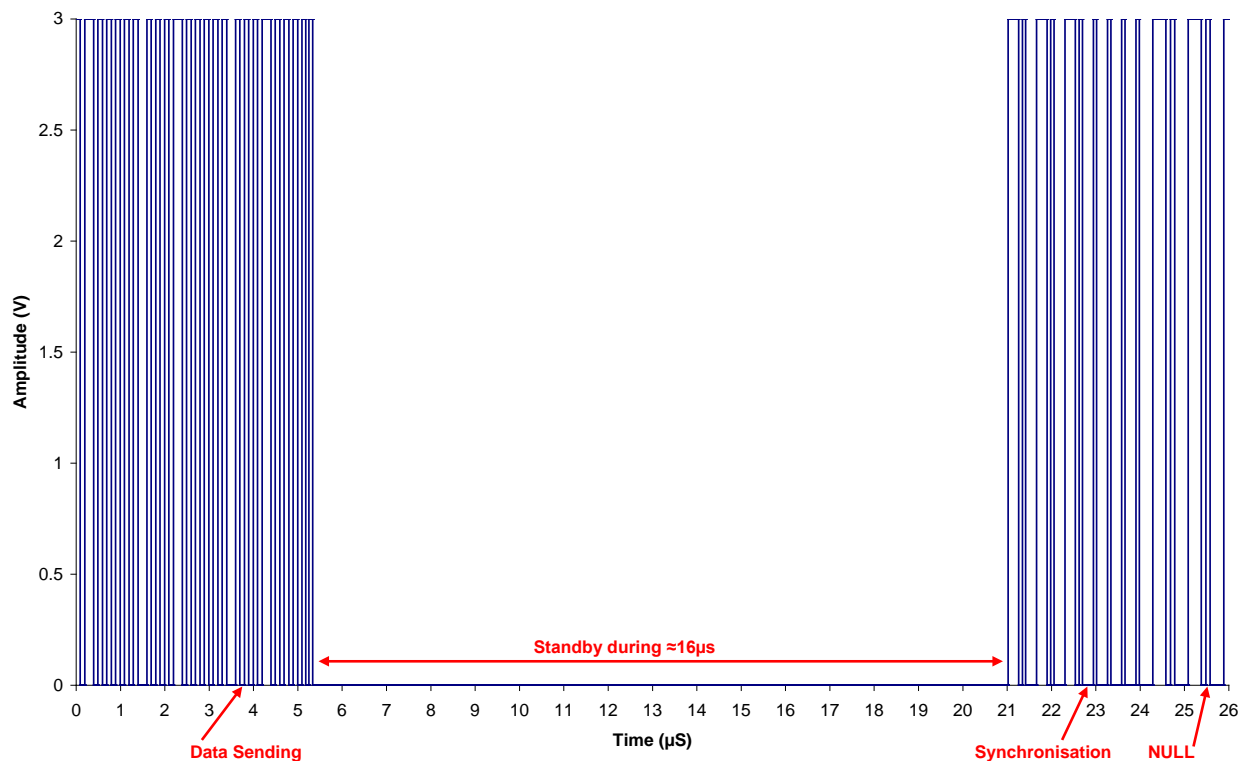
- SEE detected on:
  - Few SEU observed
    - They is the same sensitivity for four frequencies
    - Three error types were observed: Disconnect, Escape-EOP and Parity Error
    - After an error the link restart automatically
  - No SEFI observed

| LET Eff<br>(MeV.cm <sup>2</sup> .mg-1) | Cross Section (cm <sup>2</sup> ) |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|  | 10MHz                            |           | 50MHz     |           | 100MHz    |           | 200MHz    |           |
|  | N° 1                             | N° 2      | N° 1      | N° 2      | N° 1      | N° 2      | N° 1      | N° 2      |
| 67.7                                   | 7.00E-06                         | 2.25E-06  | 3.00E-06  | 2.83E-06  | 3.30E-06  | 7.99E-06  | 1.62E-06  | 4.40E-06  |
| 40.4                                   | 1.45E-06                         | 2.00E-06  | 2.35E-06  | 2.64E-06  | 1.00E-06  | 8.82E-07  | <1.00E-06 | 2.33E-06  |
| 32.6                                   | 1.00E-06                         | 1.00E-06  | 2.00E-06  | 1.00E-06  | 2.00E-06  | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 | 1.00E-06  |
| 20.4                                   | 3.00E-06                         | 1.00E-06  | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 | <1.00E-06 |
| 10.2                                   | <1.00E-06                        | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         |
| 3                                      | <1.00E-06                        | <1.00E-06 | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         |

SpaceWire cross-section

## SpaceWire: Disconnect Case

- When a disconnect occurs, the signal is interrupted during 16 $\mu$ s next the link is initialized.



## SpaceWire: Escape-EOP case

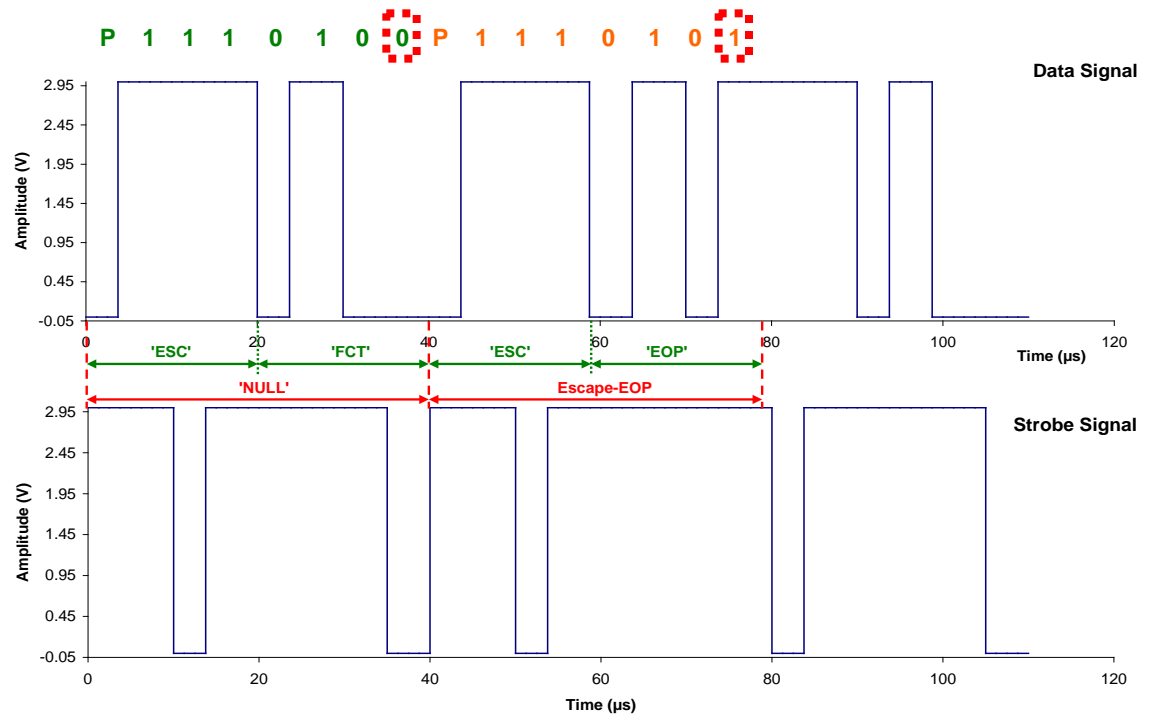
- When no data sending, the link stay enable and continuously sends a “NULL” character.
- A Escape-EOP occurs during the “NULL” character sending.
- A “NULL” consists of “Escape” (ESC) and “Flow Control Token” (FCT) characters
- A “Escape-EOP” consists of “Escape” (ESC) and “End of Packet” (EOP) characters

### Control Characters

|   |   |   |   |   |  |     |                      |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|-----|----------------------|
| ← | P | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | FCT | Flow Control Token   |
| ← | P | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | EOP | Normal End of Packet |
| ← | P | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | EEP | Error End of Packet  |
| ← | P | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | ESC | Escape               |

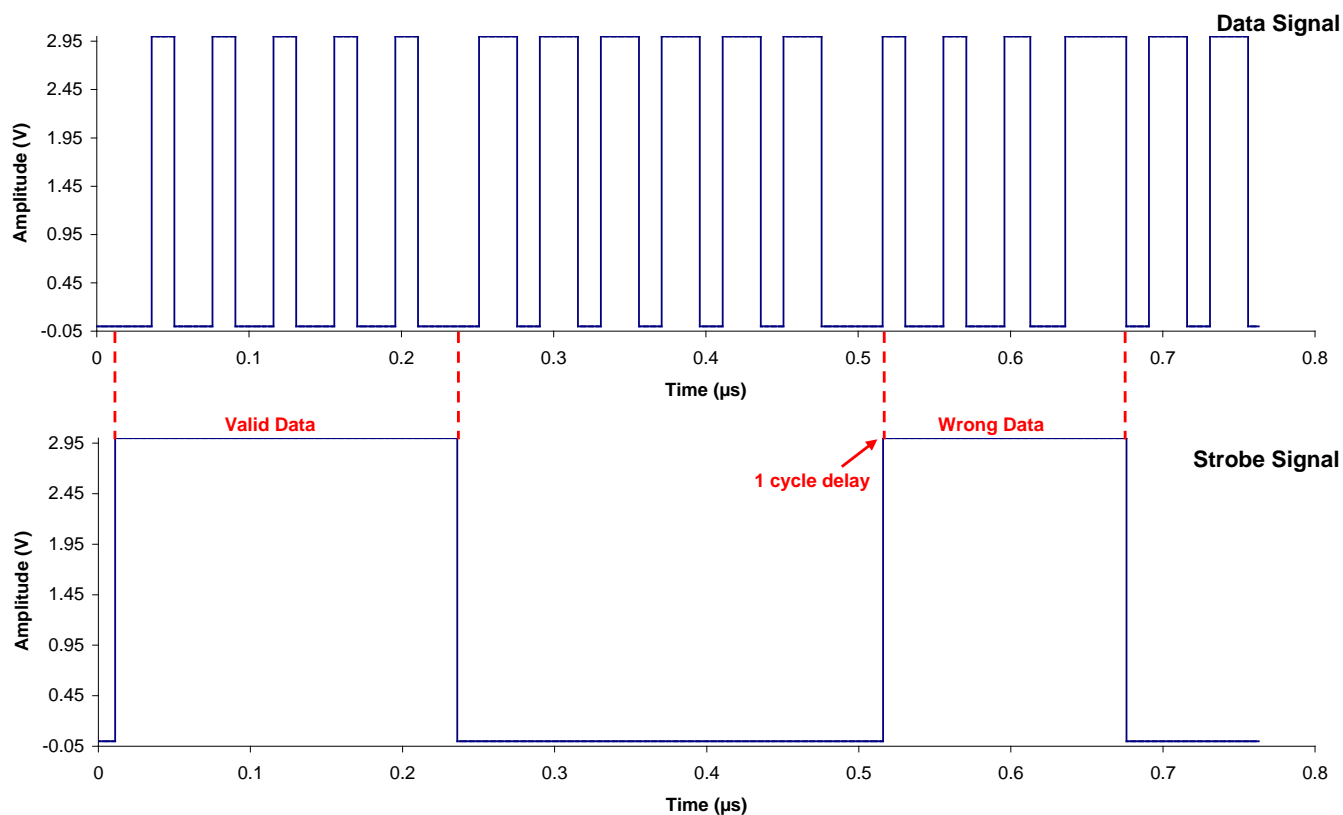
### Control Codes

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |      |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|------|
| ← | P | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | NULL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|------|



# SpaceWire: Parity Error case

- For each character they is a parity bit
- If they is a delay on the Data and Strobe signals, the system detect a parity error.



## ■ SEE characterisation

- Parts no sensitive to SEL
- The Leon2-FT and the on-chip memory are more sensitive than peripheral to SEU and SEFI. But the protection decreases this sensitivity.
  - an embedded microprocessor
    - Dynamic tests → SEU corrected errors for two target applications
    - Statics tests → SEU on cache memories and few SEU on registers
  - a FIFO interfeace → SEU on write command observed
  - a ADC/DAC interface → SEU on write command observed
  - a Memory Controller → One SET and few SEFI observed
  - a 32-bit timers → SEU observed
  - a UARTs port → few SEU and few SEFI observed
  - a General Purpose Input Output → few SEFI observed
  - a On-Chip Memory → sensitive to SEU without EDAC protection and few MBU observed with and without EDAC protection certainly due to high flux
  - a CAN bus controller → few SEU and few SEFI observed
  - a SpaceWire controller → few SEU observed