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GUIDELINES FOR ELECTRONICS DESIGN AND PRODUCTION READINESS REVIEWS

Abstract

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1. DESIGN REVIEWS

1.1 SCOPE OF THE REVIEW

The reviews should be reasonably exhaustive so that items are not overlooked. At the same time, the spirit of the review should be one primarily of helping the designers ensure the success of their system.

1.2 DATE OF THE REVIEW

The design must be almost finished and a prototype must have been built and evaluated. For the system design (e.g. readout system of a sub-detector) a large scale system test (several percent of the full detector) must have been done.

1.3 SPECIFIC POINTS TO BE ADDRESSED

The following specific points must be addressed:

(a) Requirements (Specifications):

What is the required performance of the system.

(b) Environmental conditions:

Radiation, temperature, accessibility, maximum power consumption, ...

(c) Motivation for choice of architecture.

(d) Verification of performance:

Prototype studies;

Design Robustness (how is it ensured that all parts will meet the performance of the prototypes).

(e) Reliability studies:

How is reliability taken into account in the design;

How will the reliability of the components, final system be evaluated?

(f) Sensitivity to single point failure.

(g) Radiation hardness/tolerance studies.

(h) Plans for grounding, shielding and power distribution.

(i) Strategy for timing setup.

(j) Deadtime evaluation as a function of the L1A rate and LHC luminosity.

(k) Plans for calibration if necessary.

1.4 DOCUMENTS TO BE PRESENTED

The following table gives a list of documents to be presented to the review committee.

Technical Specifications**Block Diagram / Schematic of the system****Description of items being reviewed****Summary of overall design methodology****Description of environmental conditions****Design**

Schematics and FPGA files

Bill of material

Timing and logic verification

Design rules for radiation hardness/tolerance

Testability analysis

Reliability study

EMC/EMI

Power consumption

Power supply turn-on sequence

Sensitivity or worst case analysis

System thermal analysis

Description of cooling system

Safety aspects

Design rules for special environmental constraints

Calibration procedure

Timing setup procedure

Deadtime evaluation

Parameters used for simulation, Simulation outputs, ...

Qualified components, Redundancy, ...

Test coverage, Tooling description

Component stress analysis, Failure modes, System reliability estimate, Sensitivity to single point failure, ...

Grounding, Shielding, Power distribution, Decoupling capacitances, Expected or measured interference with neighbour systems, ...

Temperature, Power supply voltages, Post irradiation, ...

Used materials, Protection (fuses, ...), ...

Cold, Vibration, ...

Prototype construction

Prototype construction documents

Description of assembly and test procedures

Description of testing procedures

Yield measurement

Experienced problems

Prototype testing & results

Radiation component testing and results

Radiation system testing and results

System tests results

Beam test results

Reliability measurement

1.5 PARTICIPANTS

Reviewers: small team (3 to 6), mix of experts, physicists and engineers, from other systems, experiments or laboratories (proposals from front-end electronics co-ordination, convenor, project leader).

Ex officio: TC and project.

Reviewees: a selection of people of most or all collaborating institutions. But the review is not considered to be public.

Neighbours: of the reviewed system, for information only.

1.6 PREPARATION AND RUNNING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW

The documents should be made available to the review committee at least two and preferably four weeks before the review. The documents must be available in a paper form. Some WWW or ftp address can also be made available (in addition to the paper form). The reviewers are asked to examine the documents thoroughly.

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2. PRODUCTION READINESS REVIEWS

2.1 SCOPE OF THE REVIEW

The PRR (Production Readiness Review) is meant to be the last paper exercise for any given project before starting series production and thus engaging important sums of money and manpower. The R&D phase is over and layout and design questions are no longer an issue and the design review has been held. The reviewees shall bear in mind that the findings and recommendations of the committee will depend also on the quality of the input they get and the supportive, open-minded approach from the review team.

2.2 DATE OF THE REVIEW

The PRR must be held after the design review has been done and before the procurement of components has started. Engineering changes since the design review must be minor. Major changes (e.g. change of architecture) should lead to a new design review.

2.3 POINTS TO BE ADDRESSED

In addition to the action points that the design review might have left, the following topics must be specifically addressed:

- (a) Production organisation;
- (b) Version control: how is it assured that correct schematics, parts lists, etc are utilised?
- (c) Quality control organisation:

How is it ensured that the parts will be manufactured with uniform quality?

What are the plans for testing for functional performance and quality?

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Final tests results

Integration issues Equipment installation issues
 Interfaces issues
 Installation description into next higher assembly

Pre-production results Performance specification compliance
 Yield and failure analysis
 System test with input/output interfaces
 Electrical/Mechanical fixture finalised

Documentation Engineering Specification control drawing
 Schematics
 Parts lists
 Assembly
 Tooling
 Test plan
 Test procedure

Documentation Manufacturing Work instructions
 Re-work/Repair procedures
 Quality assurance & manufacturing flow chart

Procurement Spares requirements
 Schedule
 Vendor selection & approval
 Procurement specification
 Control system
 Receiving and incoming inspection

Technical specification
 Inspected/tested parameters
 QA provision
 Lot acceptance testing
 Parts tracibility
 Parameters to be inspected and tested
 Sampling plan with acceptance/failure criteria
 Cold testing
 Burn-in

Manufacturing Control system
 Manufacturing organisation
 Screening tests
 Handling storing & shipment

Production control system
 Schedule
 Training production personnel
 Cold testing
 Burn-in

Quality Assurance Quality organisation
 Quality assurance plan

Corrective action for non conforming material
 Record keeping for tracibility and failure analysis
 Statistical quality control and analysis
 Incoming In-process & Final inspection
 ESD control
 Quality audits

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