

# DPP for X-ray Photon Detection

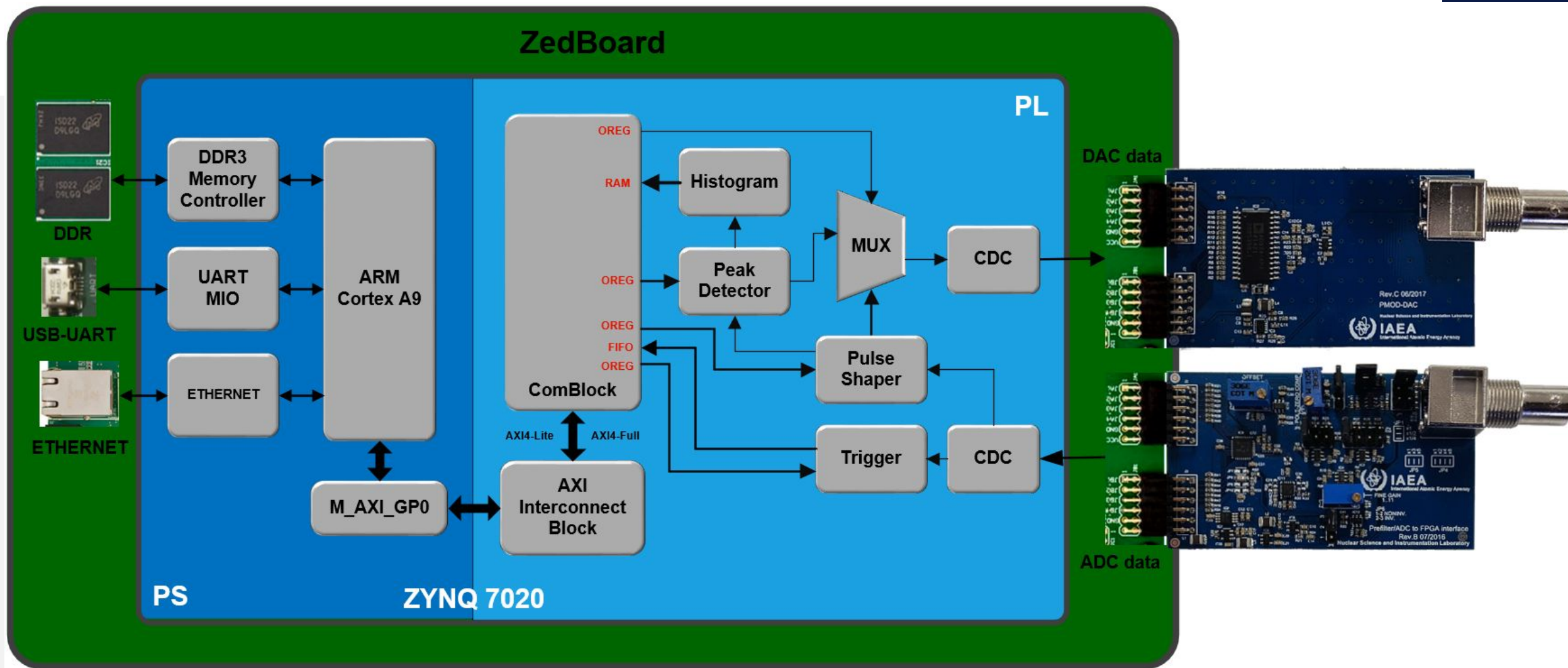
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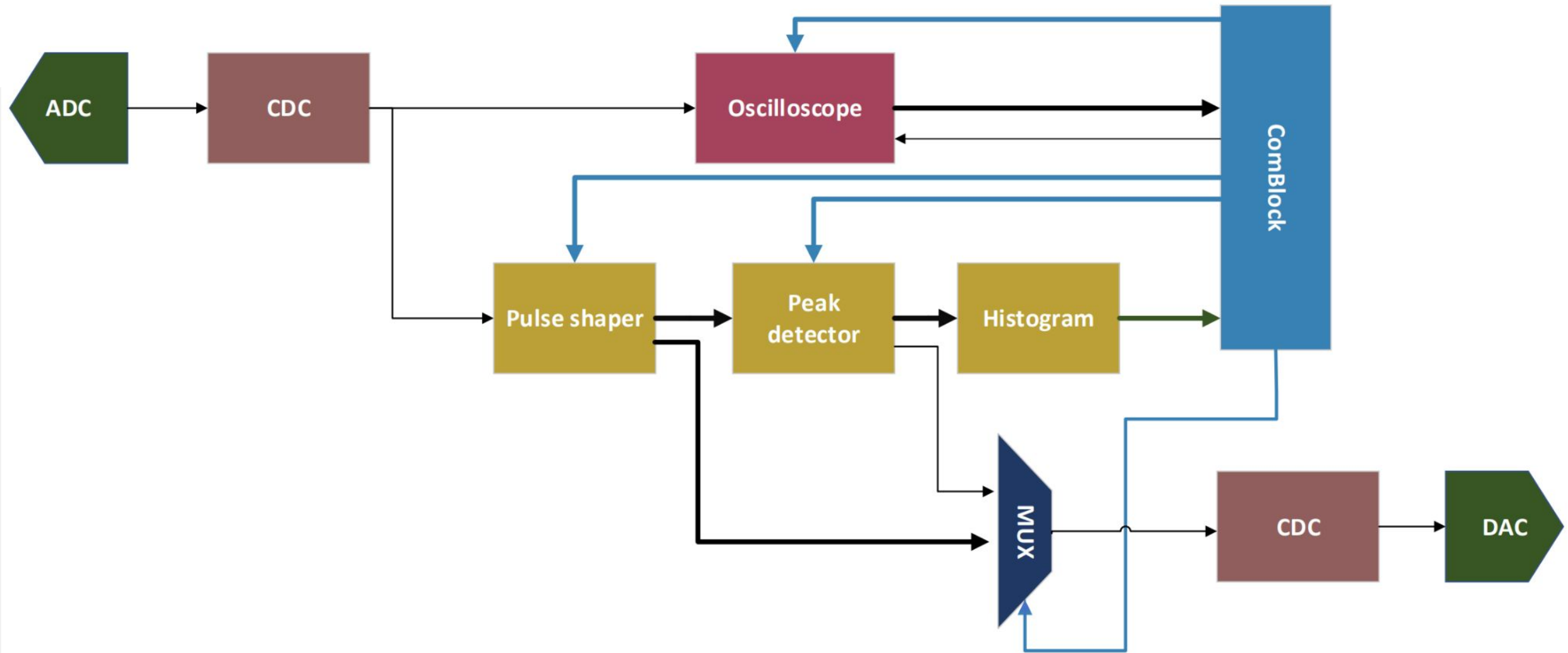
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# Outline

- Create the hardware logical blocks for a DPP system.
- Set the parameters for the oscilloscope using the ComBlock output registers
- Acquire the raw pulse shapes from the oscilloscope using the ComBlock input FIFO
- Set the parameters for baseline remover using the Comblock output registers
- Set the parameters for the pulse shaper using the ComBlock output registers
- Set the parameters for the peak detector using the ComBlock output registers
- Acquire the computed histogram (spectrum) using the ComBlock true dual-port RAM





# Trapezoidal Filter

The discrete-time output of a trapezoidal filter can be expressed as:

$$y[n] = \sum_{i=0}^{L-1} x[n-i] - \sum_{i=K+L}^{K+2L-1} x[n-i]$$

where:

- $x[n]$  is the input signal,
- $y[n]$  is the filtered output,
- $L$  is the length of the integration window (rise and fall time),
- $K$  is the gap between the two integration windows (flat top width).

# Trapezoidal Filter

$$a^{K,L}[n] = x[n] - x[n - K] - x[n - L] + x[n - K - L]$$

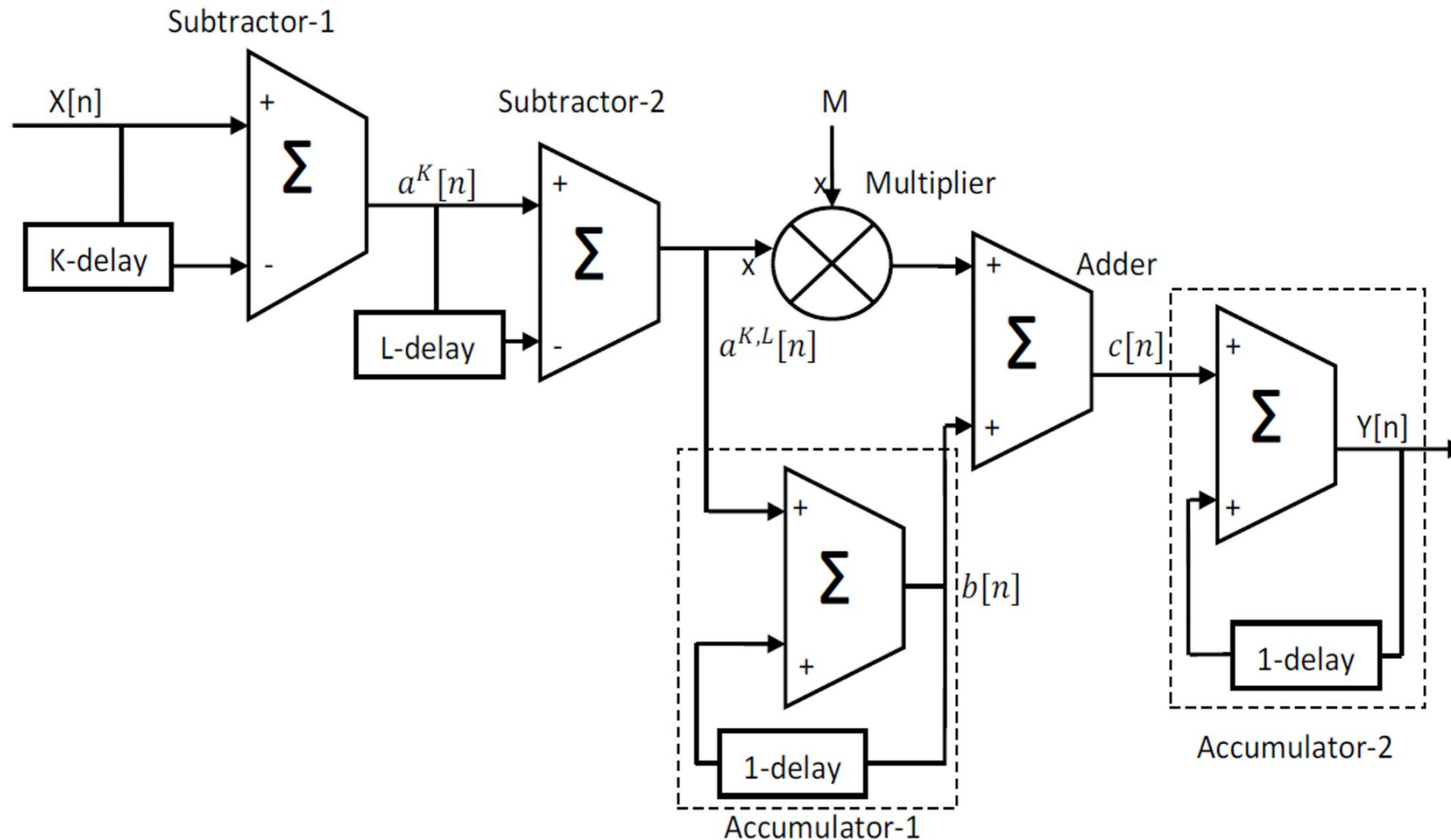
$$b[n] = b[n - 1] + a^{K,L}[n], n \geq 0$$

$$c[n] = b[n] + Ma^{K,L}[n]$$

$$y[n] = y[n - 1] + c[n], n \geq 0$$

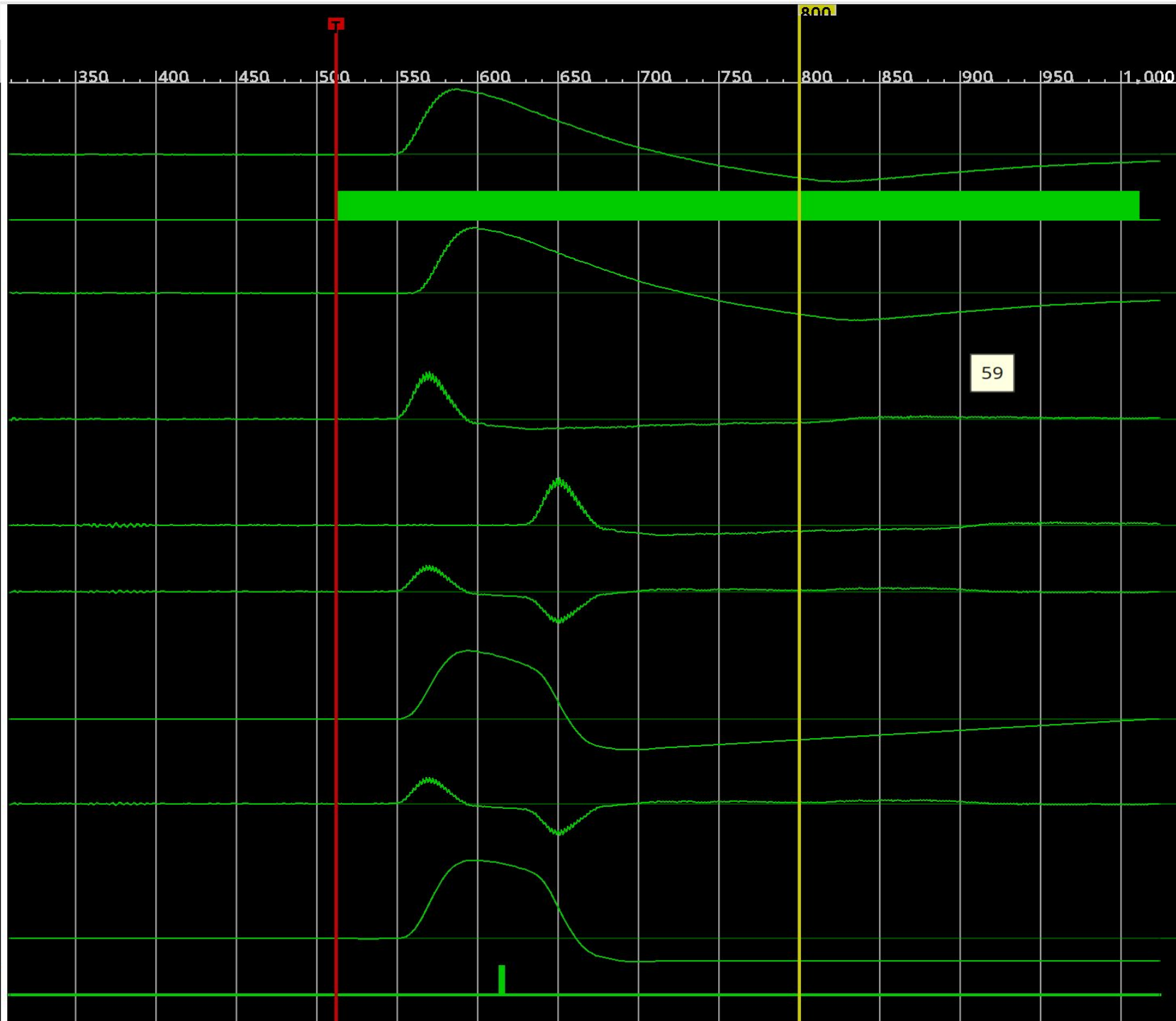
$$M = \frac{1}{e^{T_p/\tau} - 1}$$

# Trapezoidal Filter



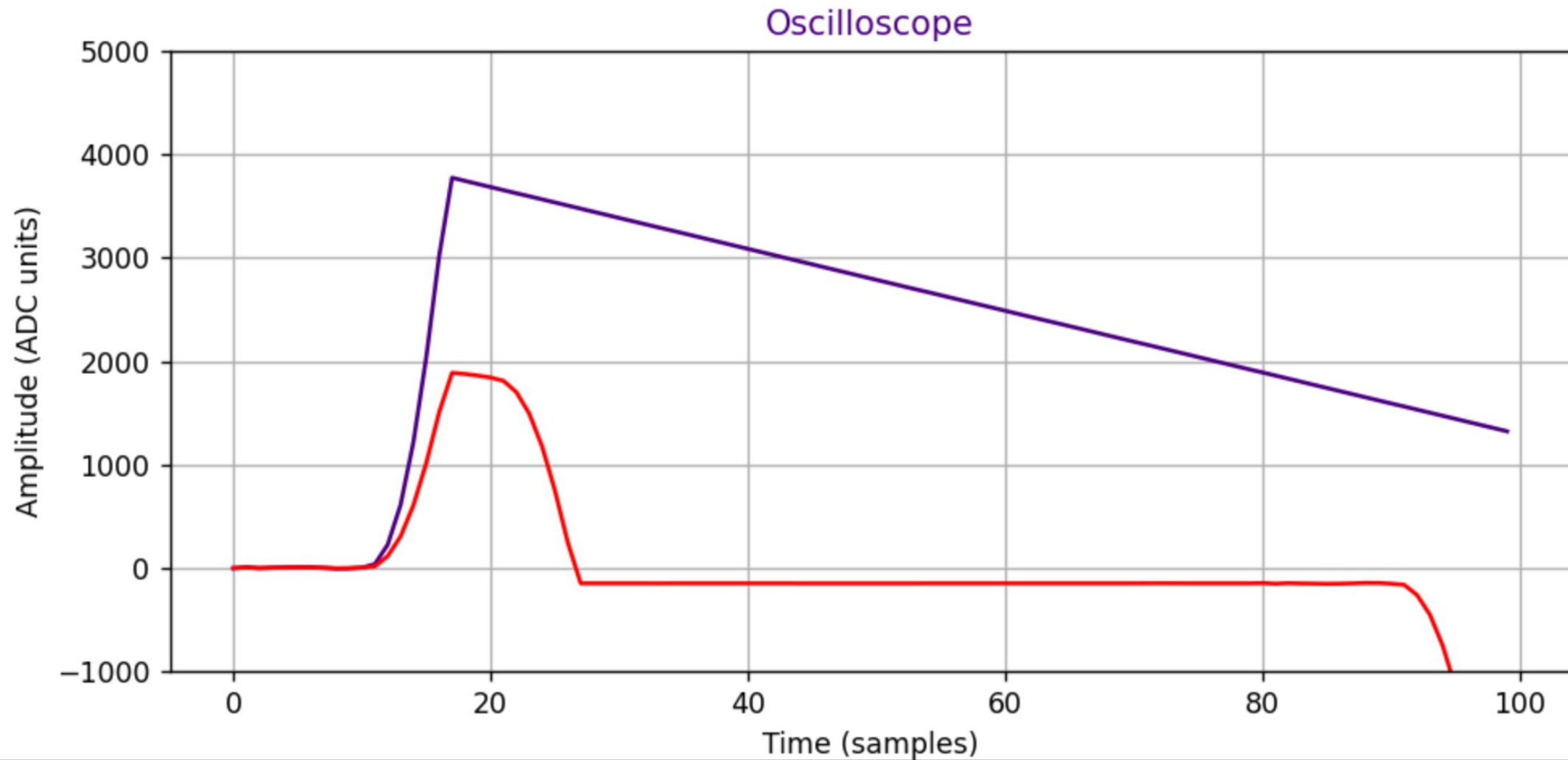


| Name                     | Value    |
|--------------------------|----------|
| > Oscilloscope_data_o    | -1283    |
| 18 Oscilloscope_dvalid_o | 1        |
| > ILA_KDelay             | -1139    |
| > ILA_SubK               | -144     |
| > ILA_LDelay             | -233     |
| > ILA_aki                | 89       |
| > ILA_bn_accumulator     | -9150    |
| > ILA_aM                 | 18067    |
| > Trapezoidal_dout       | -1310923 |
| 18 Peak_valid            | 0        |

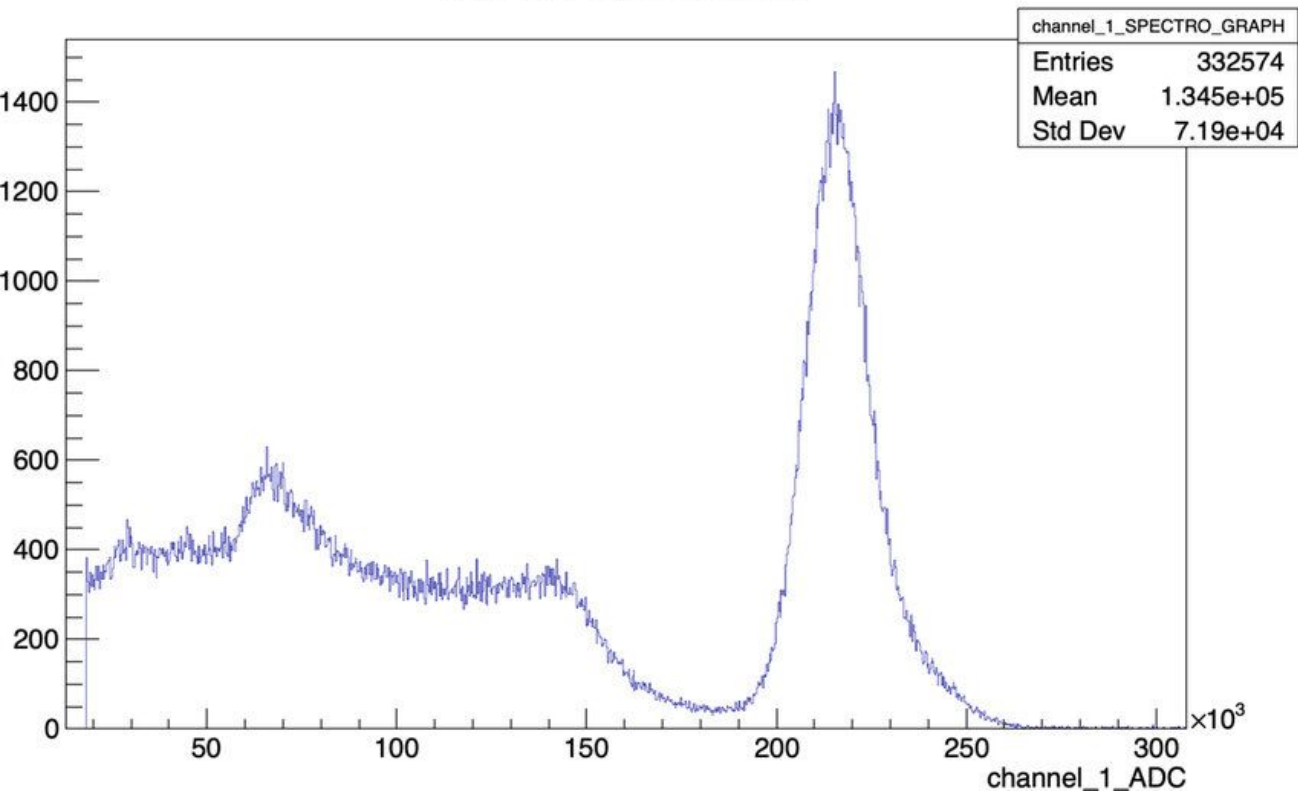




# Trapezoidal Filter



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Plot the contents of the RAM using a `plt.plot`. Do not use a `plt.hist`, since the histogram has already been computed in the FPGA

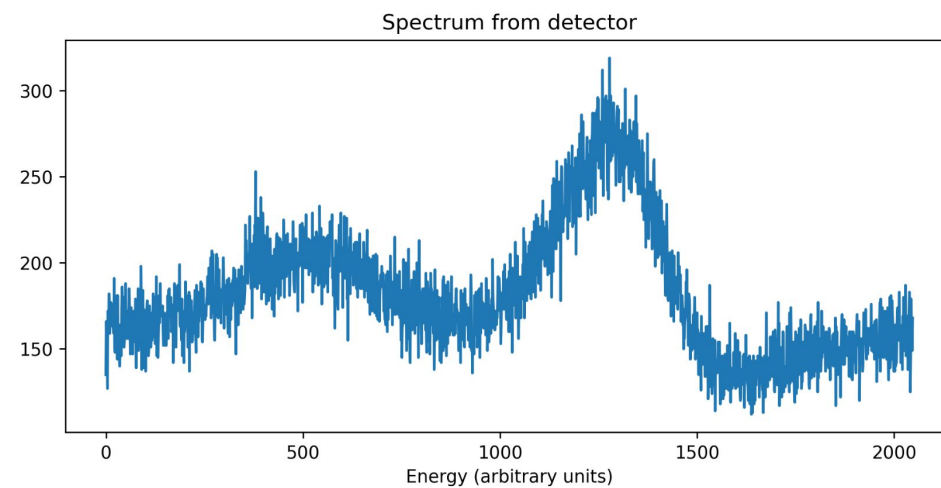
```
spectrum = np.array(spectrum).astype(np.uint32)

xAxis = np.linspace(0, HISTO_LEN - 1, HISTO_LEN)

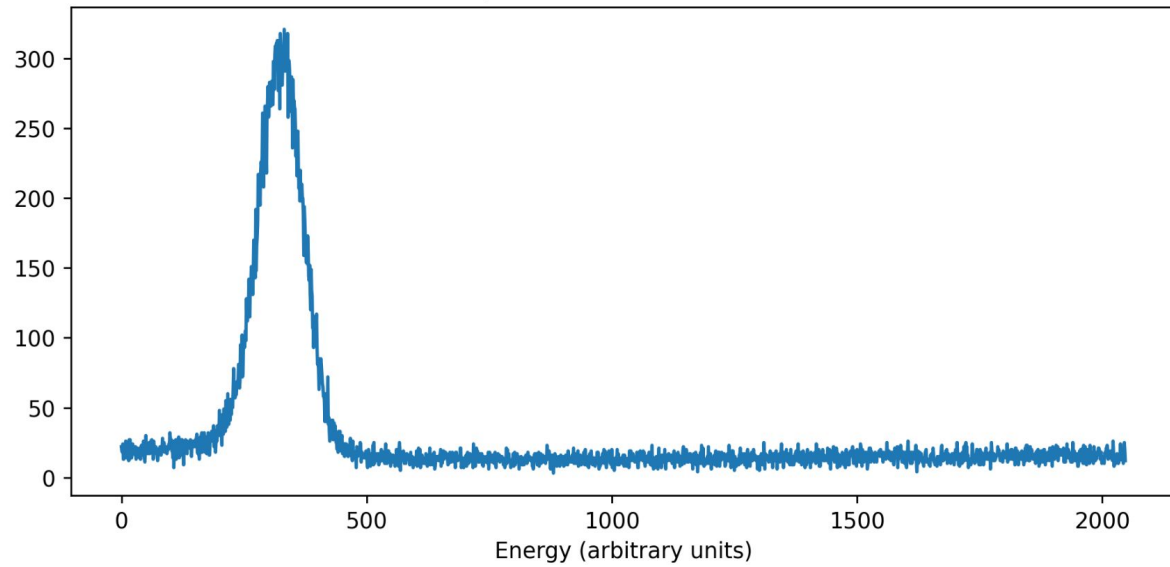
plt.figure()
plt.title("Spectrum from detector")
plt.plot(xAxis, spectrum, '-')
plt.xlabel("Energy (arbitrary units)")
# plt.yscale('log')
plt.show()
```

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Figure 6

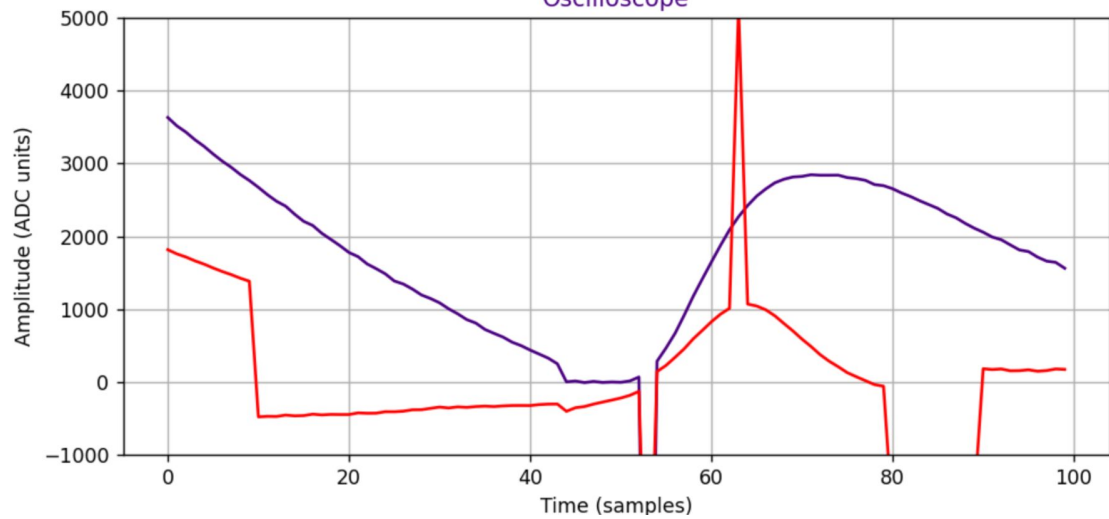


Spectrum from detector

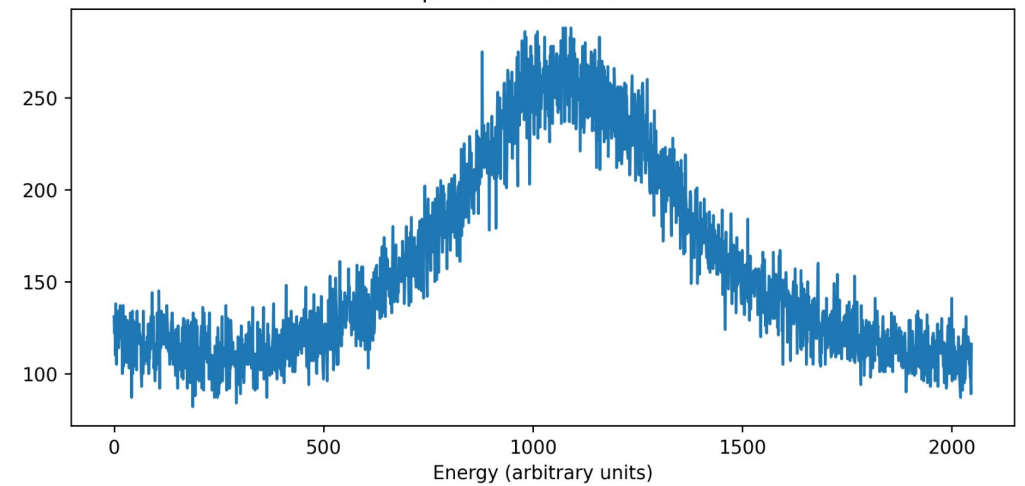


**Every system is different**

Oscilloscope



Spectrum from detector



VS Code

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Lab4: Digital Pulse Processing  
Electronics for X-ray Photon  
Detection in Cultural Heritage  
Analysis

Introduction

A digital pulse processing (DPP) system will be developed, aiming at analyzing events recorded from a  $\gamma$  radiation detector placed close to a  $\gamma$  source.

The heavy processing part is carried out in the SoC PL, where the oscilloscope, pulse-shaping, peak-detection, and histogram computations are implemented. The pulse-shapping will be done by using a **trapezoidal filter** to find the peak of the signal. Moreover, the control of these processing block parameters are set using the **output registers** of the **ComBlock**, which also resides in the PL. The histogram (used to obtain the spectrum of the events) stores its results in the **ComBlock's True DP-RAM**, while the raw **oscilloscope** traces are streamed to the **Comblock's Input FIFO**.

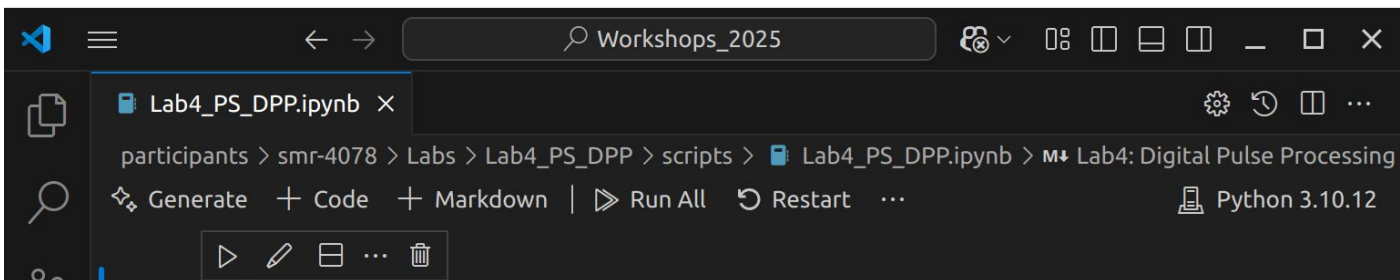
The Zynq SoC PS commands the communication between the SoC PL and the computer using the **UDMA** library.

This Jupyter Notebook is the interface between the SoC and the data visualization. You will interact with the SoC through UDMA to do the following:

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```
Oscillo_Threshold_reg= ???  
Oscillo_SBT_reg= ???  
Oscillo_Pulse_len_reg= ???  
Oscillo_Edge_reg= ???  
Oscillo_Ext_ret= ??? ## Delete on the Lab  
  
# Baseline Remover (BR)  
  
BR_Threshold_reg= ???  
BR_Set_reg= ???  
  
# Trapezoidal Filter Registers (TF)  
TF_K_reg= ???  
TF_L_reg= ???  
TF_M_reg= ???  
TF_NSamp_reg= ???  
  
# DAC Mux (DMUX)  
DMUX_sel_reg= ???
```





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```

### Change this values to fit your pulse

```
K=30  
L=10  
M=250
```

```
zedBoard.write_reg(TF_K_reg, K)  
zedBoard.write_reg(TF_L_reg, L)  
zedBoard.write_reg(TF_M_reg, M)  
zedBoard.write_reg(TF_NSamp_reg, 2*K+L)
```

```
pulseRecorder = PulseFit(pulseLenSamples=TRACE_LEN,  
| | | | | | samplingRate=SAMPLING_RATE,  
| | | | | | resolutionBits=ADC_RESOLUTION+2) ##Notice that by removing the baseline our resolution increase, why?
```

```
dataset = pulseRecorder.recordDataset(PULSES_TO_RECORD, zedBoard)
```

```
Trapezoidal_plot(dataset, l=L, k=K, M=M, scale=1, PLOT_Y_AXIS_LIMITS=(-1000,5000))
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