

### Passive EEE Components for Space: trends, standards, roadmap

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#### Outline



- ESCC standard for passive components
  - Current updates and evolution
- Passive component European development, evaluation and qualification for space applications
  - On-going activities, trends and needs :
    - Capacitors (Ceramic, Film, Tantalum)
    - Supercapacitors
    - Fuses
    - Connectors
    - Cables
    - RF devices
    - & other passive components
- Conclusion
- > SPCD: Space Passive Components Days, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition conference

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### **ESCC standard for passive components**

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#### No power and no command











#### ESCC: add crystal, oscillator and relays



And RF







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- 31 ESCC generic and more than
  200 ESCC detail specifications
- 90% ESCC qualified manufacturers are passive ones

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### What is on going?



Update of current specifications:

- Relays with increase vibration and mechanical shock requirements
- Ceramic capacitor: removal of some tests e.g. low voltage 85/85 humidity test
- Connectors mainly to update the test methods and remove some tests considered as not relevant anymore.
- RF passive components specifications are out of date due to the evolution of test methods and requirements:
  - ✓ done for circulators/isolators: 3202
  - ✓ on-going for couplers/dividers: 3402

### What is on going?



More complex devices need to be considered under ESCC e.g. oscillators and cable assemblies:

- Oscillators:
  - No European standard -> no qualified sources.
  - New standard is today available for XO, VCXO and TCXO oscillator: ESCC 3503
- For several applications the qualification of cables and connectors separately does not allow to fully address all the requirements. The followings applications are identified:
  - RF cable assembly
  - 1553 bus
  - Space wire
  - High data rate
  - High voltage



Since 2012 a specific WG is working to issue the basic and generic specifications needed. RF cable assembly generic specification will be issued this year.



Thin dielectric layer ceramic chip capacitors like the new MIL-PRF-123. This will be needed for the next generation of thin layer ceramic capacitors.

Integrated passives

- Silicon die with different types of component like capacitors, resistor sand inductors on the same die.
- Embedded passives in PCB:
  - Discrete
  - Formed layer

How to test and procure these components? Does assembly have an impact?

### **Ceramic Capacitors**



Different directions

- Smaller sizes down to 0603 today, 0402 under evaluation by CNES
- Lower voltage down to 16V to increase capacitor value
  - Chip capacitor ESCC 3009
  - Stack capacitor ESCC 3001/037
- BME capacitor ESCC 3009/041
- > Flexi type termination on PME and BME for crack issue mitigation
- Next step is to increase the range in term of capacitance: 0805/4,7microF; 0603/2,2microF; 0402/330nF

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### **Film Capacitors**



ESCC qualification PM948 and PM907 in 2016. Parts in EPPL. Existing range (PM90S and PM94S from Eurofarad) not optimised for 100V application.



Improvement based on specific process that guarantee an equivalent level of quality and reliability, despite a reduction of dielectric thickness of the metallized polyethylene terephthalate film.

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### **Tantalum capacitors**



Need lower and lower ESR

- Multi-anode type (TES)- qualified in 2013 : ESCC3012/004
  - Low profile tantalum capacitors development for embedded applications
  - Polymer tantalum capacitors
    - Single anode polymer capacitor evaluation on-going with Kemet in Portugal. In EPPL.
    - Hermetic tantalum capacitor in ceramic package. Not in EPPL due to assembly issues with this type of package.



> Next step multi-anode polymer tantalum capacitor

## Other on-going studies on capacitors and resistors



Evaluation of silicon capacitor focus on IPDIA product:

- > Aim is to get reliability data on single capacitor die including radiation.
- Evaluation test plan is based on ESCC evaluation



Should not lead directly to qualification as manufacturer think that integrated passive is the trend.

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## Other on-going studies on capacitors and resistors



High temperature capacitor and resistor selection and evaluation:

Alter perform tests on ESCC qualified parts and high temperature designed parts.



Goal is to determine which type of parts can be used on some generic applications around a baseplate temperature of 100°C without too much derating. ESCON | D. Lacombe, L. Farhat | ESTEC | 03/03/2016 | TEC-QTC | Slide 11

## Other on-going studies on capacitors and resistors



Embedded passive components in PCB

- Reliability testing on embedded passive limited to chip capacitors and resistors
- > Evaluate gains and drawbacks on an existing flight board design

Activity lead by IMEC working with AT&C (PCB) and QineticQ Space. The first lesson learn is that the range of available components is rather restricted in term of voltage. The flight board could not respect the derating rules.





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Development of ionic liquid based electrolytes pouch cell (Hutchinson/ADS)

- Ionic liquids are interesting and promising electrolytes to develop reliable supercapacitors with higher specific energy than conventional systems because they are non volatile, non flammable.
- They present a high temperature range of stability and a high potential window (> 3.0V).



First results promising but reliability improvement still needed for long term applications

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Evaluation of NESCAP 10F supercapacitor (ADS, CSRC and EGGO)

- Based on calendar and cycling test on individual cell and bank of supercapacitors.
- > Goal is to have these supercapacitors in EPPL.



New TRP activity will be launched for validation of supercapacitors for launcher applications in the end of 2016.



Due to ITAR issue, we work with Schurter to develop a range of fuses for space applications

- ➢ MGAS fuses ESCC qualified since 2008, ESCC4008/001
- Development and qualification of HCSF, today qualified up to 10A. Remaining range qualification scheduled in 2016.

Rated Cur- rent [A]	Rated Vol- tage [VAC]	Rated Vol- tage [VDC]	Breaking Capacity	Voltage Drop 1 In typ. [mV]	Cold Resi- stance typ. [mΩ]	Melting I²t 10 In typ. [A²s]	ESCC Component Number	Order Number
5	63	125	1)	86	-	1.9	4008xxxxx	3409.0007
6.3	63	125	1)	-	-	-	4008xxxxx	3409.0008
7.5	63	125	1)	92	-	4	4008xxxxx	3409.0009
8	63	125	1)	-	-	-	4008xxxxx	3409.0010
10	63	125	1)	90	-	12.7	4008xxxxx	3409.0011
12	63	125	1)	-	-	-	4008xxxxx	3409.0013
15	63	125	1)	86	-	31.3	4008xxxxx	3409.0015

#### Connectors



Need for miniaturization

- Development of nanoD connectors with Axon. Results are compliant with requirement but the market is still low then not in EPPL
- Micro modular connectors for removable power and coax contacts. Evaluation testing closed with good results.
- > High density connectors for AIT testing



Improved performances

- > EMI connectors development for 360 electrical continuity through the complete link
- Spacewire connectors development to be compliant with higher data rate without a size increase.
- > Improvement of D-sub connectors supported by CNES.



Keying feature







High power RF TNC connectors and cable assemblies developed by Radiall

> ESCC qualification under progress and expected in 2016







Solderless interposer for high pin LGA devices.

- > First prototypes developed for 600 pin by Hypertac with CNES support
- Currently evaluated for solderless assembly in an ESA funded study.



#### Cables



What is leading the development is outside the application:

ESCC qualification of high temperature (250°C) cable with determination of the current derating rules for usual operating ambient temperature. Test successful except for resistance to ergols.

Gauge	Current ESCC Max Amp (A)	Proposal : Max amp. (A)
AWG 1237	23	35
AWG 1419	17	25
AWG 1619	13	19
AWG 1819	10	15
AWG 2019	7.5	11
AWG 2219	5	9
AWG 2419	3.5	6
AWG 2619	2.5	4
AWG 2819	2	3.5
AWG 3007	1.5	3

- High voltage cable assembly ESCC qualification. Range definition on-going
- Development of antistatic cable. The activity aims at developing a new formulation of satellite cable insulator made of ETFE. This new material must have antistatic properties for cable used outside the satellite structure (solar panels, electrical propulsion).
  - Used master batch available material
  - Develop a specific material
- Revision of derating rules for bundles

#### **RF devices**



Currently, there are no qualified RF devices except for connectors.

Several activities were launched to address this issue focusing on coaxial circulators/isolators:

- L, S and C band high power circulators/isolators
  - Evaluation are closed with good results and qualification expected in 2016.
- > Ka band isolator already in EPPL.
  - Qualification results acceptable. Should be in QPL in 2016.



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#### **Other on-going activities**



Development of SAW flters based on GaN/SiC



- Development of electro-mechanical relays for high level vibration and mechanical shock
- ESCC qualification of XO oscillators with Rakon for flat pack, DIL and J lead
- ESCC evaluation of platinum sensors for European independence
- Low temperature electronic for exploration and robotic mission

### What are the driving applications



#### Electrical propulsion

- High voltage capacitors
- High voltage relays (European)
- Cable assemblies for electrical propulsion
- Planar transformers
- Point of Load
  - Decoupling capacitors: ceramic, tantalum, silicon?
  - Planar transformers
  - High current chip inductors
- RF application are leaded by the increase of power (hundreds of Watt) and frequencies (Q/V bands)

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- promote the discussion of recent developments and trends
- encourage the exchange of technical expertise
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### Tomas Zednicek Ph.D.

president



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- Wide Industry Awareness
- Agencies, Government Organisation Links Established

The first meeting of The Czech Passive Component Manufacturers, Ministry of Transport and Universities with ESA in Lanskroun, Czech Republic to follow the ESA Czech Incentive Program Initiative

Passive components and sensors industry / academia annual meetings established to share experience and opportunities.

#### March 2015

2013

annual meeting at sensor manufacturer location, the venue expanded to two days. Attended by 7 manufacturers, 2 Universities, 1 Space customer

#### July 2015

The European Passive Components Institute established by founder and passive component meetings organizer Tomas Zednicek

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#### People

#### Dipl.-Ing. Tomáš Zedníček Ph.D., Czech Republic

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- Electrotechnology Degree by Technical University of Brno, Czech Republic in 1993
- · Ph.D. in Tantalum Capacitors in 2000
- > 21 years working for tantalum capacitor manufacturer
- > 15 years in position of Worldwide Technical Marketing Manager
- more than 60 technical papers and 1 US/international patent
- · 4 outstanding/best award technical papers at CARTS passive component conference
- 2005 Dr. Zandman award for a great contribution to passive component industry
- · Lecturer of capacitor technologies, presentation skills and inter-culture communication
- July 2015 Founder of the European Passive Components Institute



#### President & Founder

#### Dominique Vignolo, France

- DUT Genie Electrique option Electronique (IUT Nice, France) in 1977
- Field Service Manager for 10 years
- 22 years working for resistor manufacturer
- 13 years in position of Worldwide Global Product Marketing Manager for High Precision Products
- Technical papers about high precision products specially in high temperature and space applications
- · Manufacturers' representative at ESA CTB Passive Component Technology Board for fife years
- Marketing skills (launching of marketing operations, organization of exhibitions)



#### Dipl.-Ing. Reiner W. Kühl, Germany

- · Dipl.-Ing. degree in Physics by University of Applied Science in Luebeck, Germany in 1973;
- > 25 years product and process R&D, working for thin film resistor manufacturers;
- · 15 years in position of Technology and Quality-Customer-Service Senior Management;
- · More than 20 technical papers and 1 European / international patent;
- · 2 Outstanding Paper Awards at CARTS passive component conferences,
- 2000 Highly Commended Award from the LITERATI Club of MCB University Press;
- 2008 Dr. Falix Zandman Passive Electronic Components Industry Technology Award for Recognition of Acknowledged Industry Leadership & Perseverance of Vision;
- Expertise in components' reliability & failure analysis, thin film resistors' technology (MELF, chip), barrel electroplating, electroisolation lacquer, laser machining, etc.

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