

# SPACE PASSIVE COMPONENTS DAYS 2022 AIRBUS DEFENCE AND SPACE ROAD-MAP





Airbus DS - Tesat Passive Component Road-Map

Key Ideas from Last SPCDs

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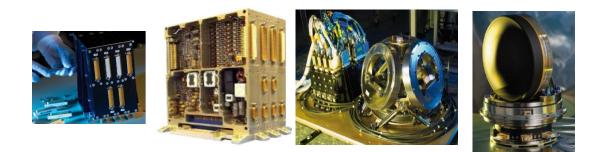
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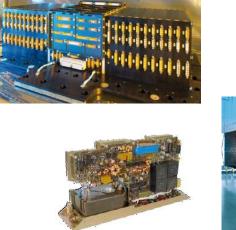
#### Avionics

 On-Board computer, Fibre-Optic Gyro, Control Momentum Gyro, GNSS, Pay-load Interface Unit, Star and Sun Sensors, LIDARs



#### Power

 Power Control and Distribution Unit, Power Propulsion Unit, Solar Arrays, Power DC-DC Converters



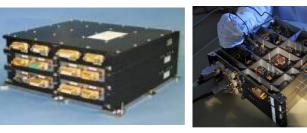






#### Payload

- Solid State Recorder, Compression, Ciphering, High Performance Data Processing
- Navigation Sub-system
- RF Payloads: Datalink Products, Active and Passive Products
- Instruments: Multi-Spectral Imager, Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas
- Laser Communication Terminals



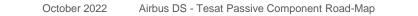








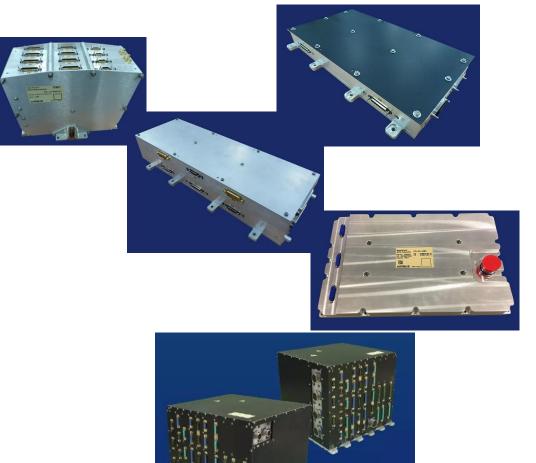




- New Space equipment
  - On-Board Computer, Power Control and Distribution Unit, Payload Interface Unit, Electric Propulsion

Launcher

- Ariane 5 and Vega: Sequential Electronics, Turbo-Pump Speed Conditioner
- Vega; Multi-functional Unit (1553 Repeater, Power Source and Distribution, Safety Management,...)
- Ariane 6 and Vega-C: Centralized Multi-functional Unit (OBC, Triggered Ethernet Switch, EV Command, Power Distribution), Pyro Command, Battery Assembly





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This <u>large portfolio</u> requires a large panel for passive components including

- Resistors: chip thick and thin film, shunt, wire-wound, ...
- Capacitors: multiple-layer ceramic chip type I and II, single layer ceramic chip, metallized film, reconstituted mica, solid tantalum, ...
- Inductors: chip RF, power with low DCR, power with high current saturation, ...
- Transformer: current measurement, gate drive command, data-bus interface, planar, high power, high voltage, ...
- Connectors: Sub-D, Micro-D, RF, high data-rate, circular, rack and panel, interposer ...
- Electromechanical relays are still used!
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### Key Ideas from the Last SCPDs

- Remarks from all SCPDs: lower size, higher performance,
  Still valid higher frequency, higher power and current to be managed and lower cost
- Usage of System-On-Chip and Large FPGA with many low supply voltages, Introduced high current, high frequency interface
- Usage of GaN FET with high switching frequency and high current
  Introduced
- Optical Link Management
  - High Data Rate Management (frequency to be increased)
    In progress

Introduced

### Key Ideas from the Last SCPDs

- New Space Electronics with AEC-Q200
- Pb-Free Assembly Process
- 100% in Automatic Assembly
- European Manufacturer Offer vs Required Technology

Introduced

Qualified

Almost achieved

Not complete





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### New Space Constellation - First Return of Experience

Remainder for the selection, procurement, validation and assembly for passive components

- Automotive AEC-Q200 for most of the part
- No additional validation test, except for magnetic components with outgassing check
- No additional screening and lot acceptance
- Pb-free assembly process
- No additional derating on ESA standard ECSS-Q-ST-30-11C Rev. 1

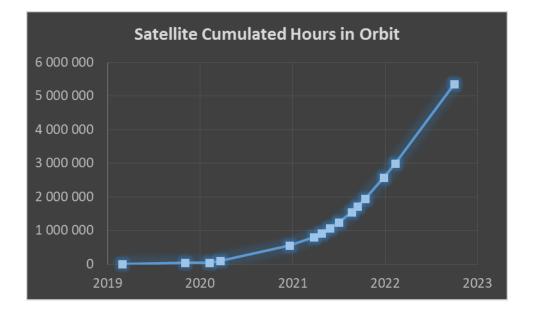
### New Space Constellation - First Return of Experience

#### New Space

- 424 satellites in LEO orbit, first launch in 2019
- More than 610 cumulated years in orbit (more than 5.5 Millions hours)
- No lost in orbit due to passive component failures

### To Be Compared with Standard Space for Telecom

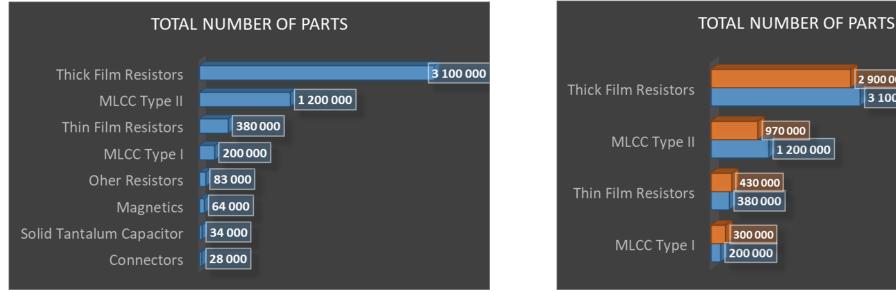
- 104 delivered Telecom Geo for the last 30 years
- 55 currently in Operation
- More than 1000 cumulated years in orbit (more than 9 Millions hours)
- No lost in orbit



### New Space Constellation - First Return of Experience

Perimeter for cumulated number of components and hours in orbit of Airbus DS electronics

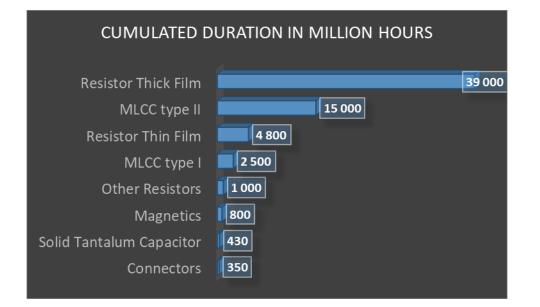
- On-Board Computer, Power Control Distribution Unit and Pay-load Interface Unit
- The number of components in orbit is equivalent to 10-year procurement of GEO plate-form parts





## New Space Constellation - First Return of Experience

Cumulated number of hours in orbit vs passive part families without failure



These figures would tend to confirm the very low Early Failure Rate of Automotive components

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#### Principles

- 3 sites (in Germany, France and Spain)
- Sharing a list of common parts, including chip resistors and ceramic capacitors, with same foot-prints
- But with specific parts for example magnetics, shunt, thermistors, ...
- Using the same assembly process: brazing past, vapour phase apparatus and profiles, cleaning process, coating, ...

### Component Selection

- Automotive AEC-Q200 qualified
- ROHS terminations: mainly 100% matte tin, SAC405 for some magnetics parts, ...
- More than one manufacturer for the most standard parts (chip resistors, chip ceramic capacitors, ...)

#### Assembly Process

- 2 vapour phases, except for heavy components, and repair operation
- Gluing when necessary
- Coating
- Qualification Tests
  - Vibrations for all parts
  - Mechanical shocks (for sensitive components, like magnetics, stacked ceramic capacitors,...)
  - Thermal cycling (at least 500 cycles for surface-mount components)
- Check Procedure (depending on site)
  - Micro-sectioning after thermal cycles
  - And/Or electrical monitoring
  - And/Or Electrical measurements for magnetics and stacked capacitors considered as sensitive

#### Results

- Chip resistors with thin and thick film, including jumpers
  - Several manufacturers
  - Size from 0402 up to 1206
  - No issue

#### • Shunts resistors

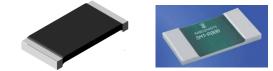
- Several manufacturers
- Size from 0603 to 2520
- No issue

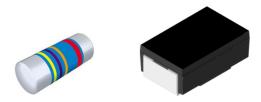
#### · Other resistors like carbon film or wire-wound

- MELF 0207 and EIA 2515 and 6927
- No issue

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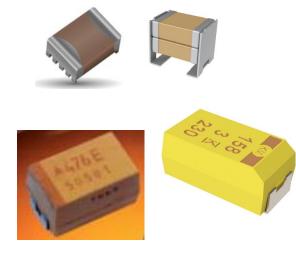
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- Chip ceramic type II capacitors
  - Several manufacturers for the same part, BME technology, standard and flex terminations
  - Size 0402 to 1210 for standard parts, bigger sizes up to 2220 for one site
  - No issue, no crack even with hand soldering process, no difference between parts with or without flex terminations

#### Stacked ceramic type II capacitors

- Two manufacturers with similar packages, BME technology
- Size: 2 stacked 2220 chips
- No issue, no crack even with hand soldering process
- Solid tantalum capacitor, MnO2 and polymer, multi-anode
  - Several manufacturers
  - Size case E (EIA 7343-43) for MnO2 and X (EIA 7343-40) for Polymer
  - No issue





### Results (cont'd)

- Magnetics: inductors, coupled-inductors, transformers
  - Many different packages and technologies
  - 4 different manufacturers
  - All AEC-Q200 parts
  - Electrical measurements after each step (assembly, gluing, coating, vibrations, shocks and thermal cycles
  - No issue, except for one inductor series presenting a significant  $\Delta L/L$  but not directly due to the Pb-free reflow



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Down Sizing

- Multi Layer Chip Ceramic 0201 size for type I and II: large FPGA or SoC decoupling
- Thick film resistors 0201 size for pull-up and line signal damping
- RF Chip Inductors 0201 size for RF signal filtering
- Power Inductors, reducing volume for high current and low voltage applications
- Components to achieve 100% full automatic assembly
  - High temperature metallized film for Pb-free assembly process, with preserved self-healing properties
  - Gluing process suppression  $\rightarrow$  lighter inductors
- Connector press-fit assembly
  - Mandatory for high data rate applications and well adapted for high current applications
  - Definition of a standard for space (interaction between the connector and the printed circuit board to be taken into account)



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- All considered evolutions in electronics for the last 10 years have been integrated: SoC and large FPGA, high data-rate links, power increase in RF, GaN FET, optical links, ... → space qualified passive parts are available
- First returns in orbit of new-space component approach are quite positive
- Pb-free assembly process is qualified and BME MLCC present less manufacturing quality issues
- European manufacturers cover most of the needs, even if we can regret some technology backwardness for magnetic components and high data-rate connector for example
- Press-fit process has to be validated and normalized with the Agencies



Thank you

