



GEO Dual Mode PPU & LEO HEMPT PPU

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Presentation Plan

Thales Alenia Space in Belgium,

- previously named “ETCA” was created in **1963**,
- 54 years' experience in power supplies for space applications
- Electric Propulsion activities since **1996**

Outline

• Background:

- PPU Mk1 & PPU Mk2
- PPU Mk3

• GEO Dual Mode PPU

- Activities
- Heritage
- Definition

• LEO HEMPT PPU

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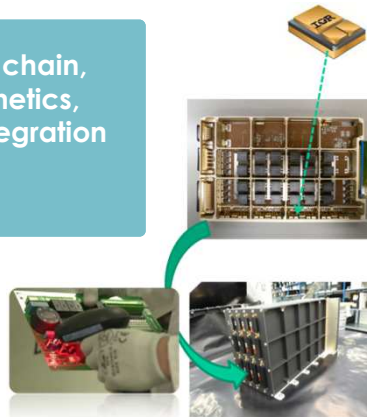


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TAS-B: a strong and efficient industrial base

A complete supply chain,
from hybrids, magnetics,
PCBA to products integration
& test



Permanent & continuous improvement, with LEAN,
to reach Industry 4.0 state of the art



High level set of production and test means

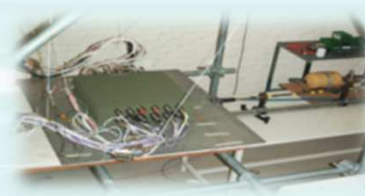
Electrodynamic Shaker



Thermal vacuum - test chamber



Pyroshock test facility



EMC tests chamber



PPU Mk1: Product Overview

Power Processing Unit Mk1

Mass	10.9 kg
Dimensions	390x190x186 mm ³
P anode	1 500 W
Input power bus	50V or 100V
Efficiency at nominal conditions	91.6% (50V) 92.4% (100V)
Reliability for one PPU + TSU	2996 fits
Operating up to pressure of	200 mPa
TC/TM plug-in module	Mil-Std-1553 OBDH-RS485 (RUBI) ML16/DS16
Thrusters	SPT-100 PPS1350-G

 **Flight Heritage** since September 2003

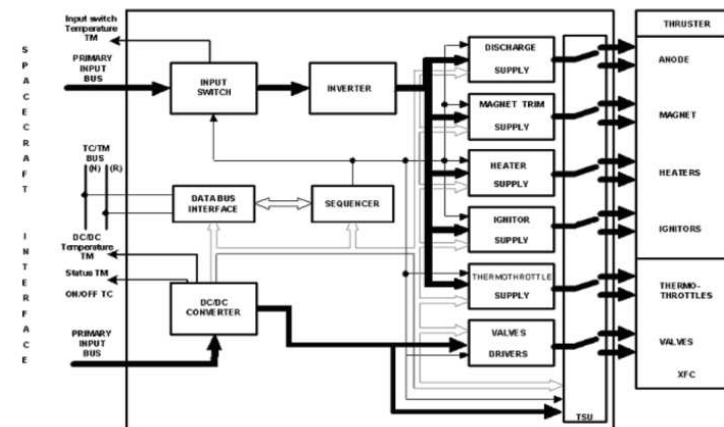
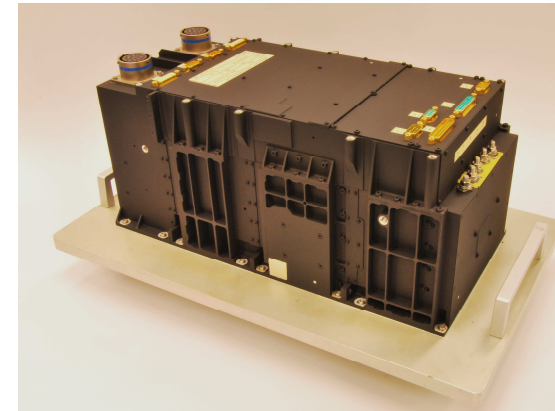
 **Smart-1** reached the Moon, 4 958 hrs operation

 **12 telecom satellites** in flight with 2 PPU Mk1

 **40 000 hrs** cumulated flight operation

 **35 PPU Mk1 FM's** delivered to

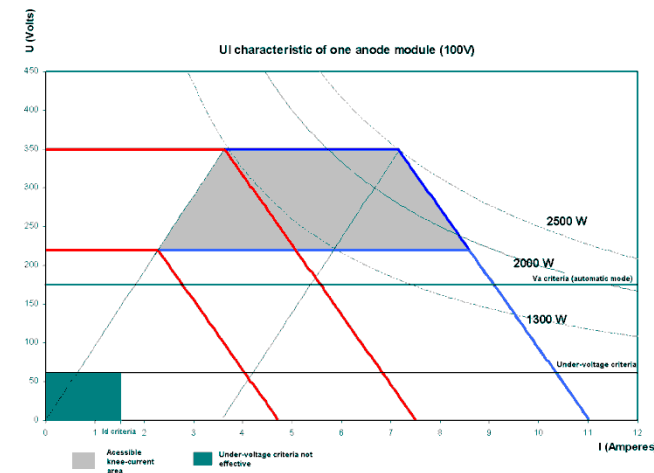
 ADS, ESA, IAI, OHB, Safran, TAS-F



PPU Mk2: Product Overview

Power Processing Unit Mk2

Mass	11.8 kg
Dimensions	<u>390x190x190 mm</u> ³
P anode	2 500 W
Input power bus	100V
Efficiency at nominal conditions	95%
Reliability for one PPU + TSU	1700 fits
Operating up to pressure of	1 Pa
TC/TM plug-in module	Mil-Std-1553
Thrusters	SPT-100 PPS1350-G PPS1350-E



🚀 **Qualified** since July 2014

🚀 PPU Mk2 EQM successfully coupled with
🚀 SPT-100; PPS1350 at 1.5 kW and 2.5 kW

🚀 **16 PPU Mk2 FM's** ordered by 2 Customers



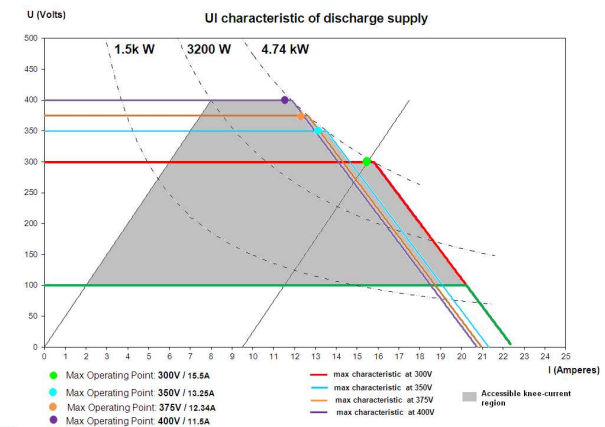
PPU Mk3 Description: Product Overview

Power Processing Unit Mk3

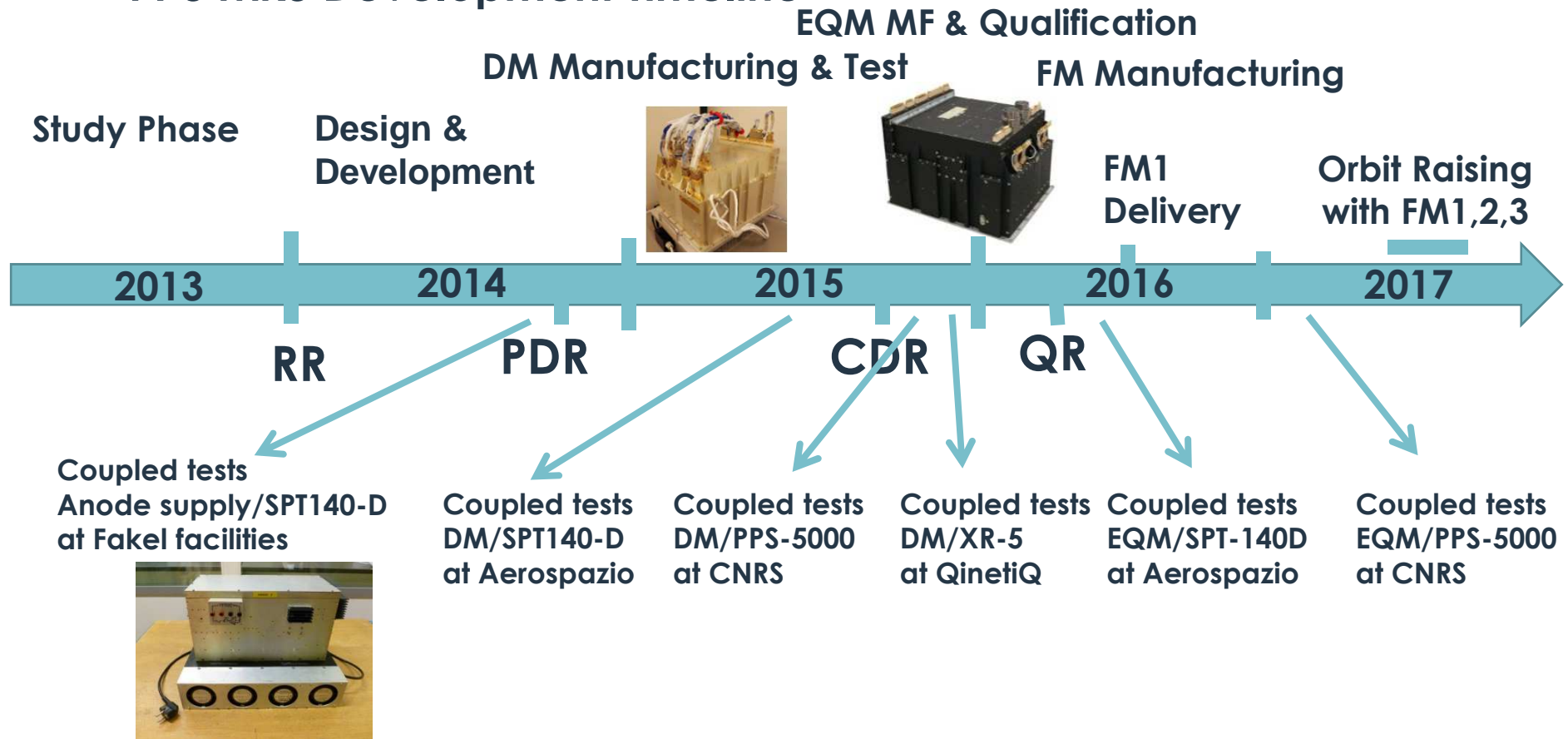
Mass	18.6 kg
Dimensions	390x315x263 mm ³
P anode	4 740 W
Input power bus	100V
Efficiency at nominal conditions	95%
Reliability for one PPU + TSU	2300 fits
Operating up to pressure of	1 Pa
TC/TM	Mil-Std-1553
Thrusters single cathode	SPT140-D
	PPS-5000
	Variant for XR-5 PFCV



- 🚀 **Qualified** since March 2016
- 🚀 PPU Mk3 DM/EQM successfully coupled with SPT140-D, PPS-5000, XR-5
- 🚀 **36 PPU Mk3 FM's** have been **ordered** by four Primes
- 🚀 **15 PPU Mk3 FM's** are already **delivered**
- 🚀 **9 PPU Mk3 FM's** are **in-flight**.
- 🚀 First European Electrical Orbit Raising from June 2017 till October 2017



PPU Mk3 Development Timeline



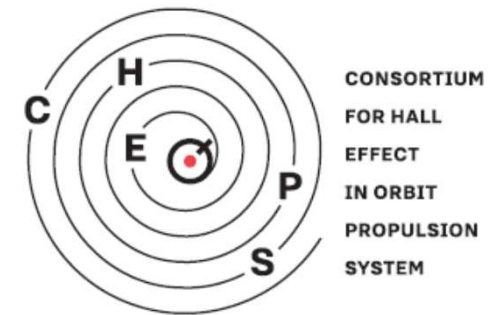
GEO Dual Mode PPU (1/2)

In the frame of the EPIC H2020 CHEOPS project (GA 730135), TAS-B develops a Dual Mode PPU

- 🚀 To drive HET up to **7 kW** for Geo Telecom or Navigation either
 - 🪐 High thrust mode: lower voltage and high current
 - 🪐 High Isp mode: higher voltage and lower current

🚀 Phase 1 includes:

- 🪐 PPU Specification → completed
 - 🚀 Co-engineering with thruster and FMS manufacturer
 - 🚀 PPU Specification and architecture
 - 🚀 SRR held in April 2018
- 🪐 PPU Design → on-going
 - 🚀 Anode supply, HIM supplies, FMS supplies
 - 🚀 Baseline Design Review
 - 🚀 Preliminary Design Review
- 🪐 PPU Breadboard MAIT
 - 🚀 Breadboard manufacturing & test
 - 🚀 Breadboard test bench implementation
- 🪐 PPU Breadboard coupling test with HET



GEO Dual Mode PPU (2/2)

GEO Dual Mode PPU Definition

Anode Module

- Full-bridge with transformer
- Two secondaries which can be configured in parallel or in series

Cathode Module

- Heater, Ignitor supplies
- Magnet supply
- FMS supplies with regulation loop for the discharge current

Key technologies

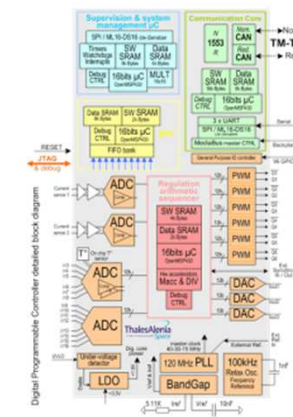
- Competitive High Power / High Voltage planar transformer
- Use of TAS-B Digital Processor Controller (μcontroller dedicated to space applications)
- Use of GaN transistors

Heritage from PPU Mk3 & CHVPS

Single 5kW anode supply demonstrator tested in 2016

- Configurable to deliver 500V or 1kV or 2kV
- 100V Regulated bus
- Innovative electrical topology
- Digital Control

Digital Controller Architecture



Features :

- 3x μc cores
- 4x 13bits 1Msp ADCs
- 3x 12bits DACs
- 6x PWM controllers
- 1553, UART & CAN
- Built-in osc., PLL, Vref & digital supply converter
- Radiation hardened
- No US export constraint



LEO HEMPT PPU (1/3)

In the frame of the EPIC H2020 HEMPT-NG project (GA 730020)
TAS-B develops a HEMPT PPU



🚀 To drive HEMPT for LEO application

🚀 Phase 1 includes:

🚀 PPU Definition → completed

🚀 To define the **low-cost PPU** based on a thruster/PPU interface optimized with the thruster manufacturer

🚀 PPU Specification and architecture

🚀 SRR held in June 2017

🚀 PPU Design → completed

🚀 To design LEO-PPU, including the interface to **non-regulated power bus**, the power supplies for the thruster, the regulation loop and the PPU sequencing.

🚀 Internal Peer Design Review held

🚀 Preliminary Design Review held in July 2018

🚀 PPU Breadboard Manufacturing and Test → on-going

🚀 Breadboard manufacturing & test

🚀 Breadboard test bench implementation

🚀 PPU Breadboard coupling test with HEMPT



LEO HEMPT PPU (2/3)

LEO HEMPT PPU Definition

Anode Module

- Delivering about **700W** up to **1kV**

Neutralizer Module

- Heater, Keeper supplies
- EPG-limiter (clamping of the floating ground of the thruster)
- FMS supplies with regulation loop for the discharge current

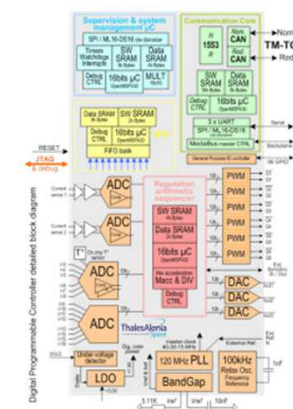
Key technologies

- Competitive PCB planar transformer
- Use of TAS-B Digital Processor Controller (μ controller dedicated to space applications)
- Use of GaN transistors

Heritage

- 2 PHVC modules of 2.5kW connected in series, commandable up to 2kV / 4.7kW
- Demonstrator successfully coupled with
 - RIT-22: 900V-2kV in Giessen, followed with 500 hrs life-test
 - HEMPT-3050: 500V-1kV in Ulm

Digital Controller Architecture



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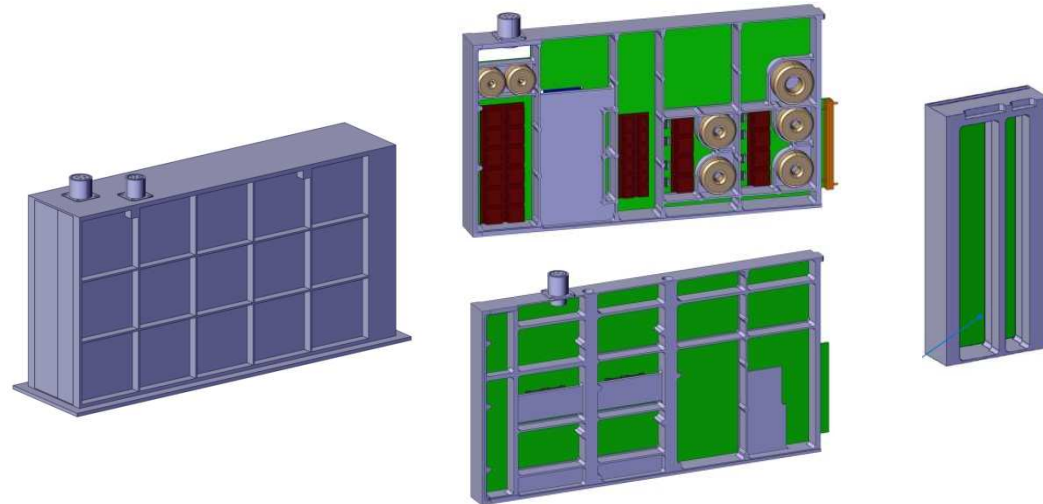
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LEO HEMPT PPU (3/3)

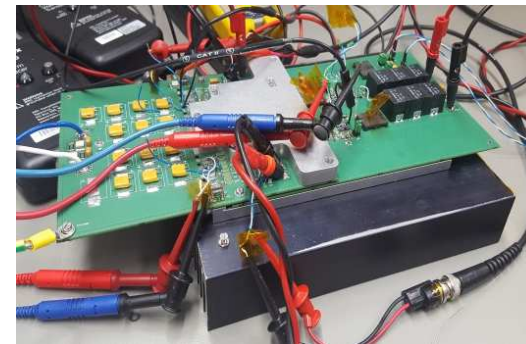
PDR outputs

- Electrical schematics, DJD,
- WCA, PSA, FMEA,
- Packaging,
- Thermal analysis



De-risking breadboard

- Push-pull inverter tested up to 850W
- Resonant topology
- PCB planar transformer
- GaN transistors



Conclusion

🌐 Based on strong heritage from PPU Mk1 and from PPU Mk2 , TAS-B has designed, developed and qualified the competitive **PPU Mk3** product dedicated to **5kW HET** and 100V satellite platforms.

- 🌐 Short time to market: KO in 2013, **QR in March 2016**
- 🌐 Coupling tests with **PPS-5000**, **SPT140-D** and **XR-5** thrusters.
- 🌐 **36** PPU Mk3 FM's **ordered**,
- 🌐 **15** PPU Mk3 FM's **delivered**,
- 🌐 **9** PPU Mk3 FM's **in-flight**

🌐 Thanks to the EPIC H2020, TAS-B is designing and developing two PPU competitive products:

- 🌐 In the frame of CHEOPS, **Dual Mode HET PPU** for GEO/NAV applications,
- 🌐 In the frame of HEMPT-NG, **HEMPT PPU** for LEO applications

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