## Solving Complex Computational Challenges for Advanced Motor Power Control Electronics

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### What You Will Learn in this session

### > SiC 3-Level and 2-Level inverter platform with Xilinx ZYNQ

- >> Basis for a versatile power system controller for Silicon Carbide –
- >> How to use ZYNQ in modern power system controllers
- Linux, Python and Jupyter-Notebook, Scilab, Matlab, Hardware in the loop possibilities and solutions

- >> ZYNQ7000 TLIMOT inverter features
- >> ZYNQ Ultrascale+ extension
- > Make you familiar with Xilinx open source EDDP and SPYN projects
  - >> The project and PYNQ framework
- > Safety for drives with ZYNQ Ultrascale+



### **Evolution of Typical Electric Drives**



### **New Technologies - Software Demand on Drives**



### **Incumbency of Mixed Criticality**



### Integration into Single Hardware Unit

### **Drive systems integration evolution**



### **SiC Power Switches**



### **Power switches go Wide Band Gap semiconductor**

MATERIAL	<b>Band Gap</b>	
Germanium	0.66	
Silicon	1.1	
Gallium Arsenide	1.4	
Silicon Carbide	3.3	
Gallium Nitride	3.4	



Wide-bandgap semiconductors permit to operate:

- At much higher voltages,
- At higher switching frequencies
- At higher temperatures than silicon and gallium arsenide

### **SiC Advantages**

#### Technology

- Silicon Carbide (SiC) is a power transistor comprised of silicon (Si) and carbon (C)
- It sustains high voltages, with low series resistance, and low conduction losses
- Its high band gap allows it to switch higher voltages and currents at higher temperatures

#### Benefits

- Smaller inductors
- > Smaller heat sinks
- > Higher switching frequency than IGBT
- > Smaller capacitors

#### Applications

- Solar inverters
- > Motor drives
- > DC-AC inverters
- > Power Factor Correction



Bandgap (eV)
 Breakdown Field (MV/cm)
 Thermal Conductivity w / (cm2 × K-1)







Tesla Model 3 is using Silicon Carbide MOSFETs for its main inverter - Source PntPower.com (2019)

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### **General Challenges**

#### > SiC drive challenges

- >> Control of SiC gate rise and fall time
- » Dead time
- Sate charge
- » dV/dt
- > Precise and fast control strategies for best SiC usage
  - » Fast FOC (Field Orientation Control)
  - » Model Predictive Control (MPC)
- > Fast Acquisition and Data Logging for advanced applications
  - >> Predictive maintenance
  - » Machine Learning based diagnostic and optimization

#### > Power Switches Topology

- >> Selection of proper topology to minimize component
- >> More switches compared to 2-levels
- >> Certain topologies require blocking diodes
  - Additional cost
  - Less reliability

#### > Power Modulator Stage

- >> Four switches to be controlled per inverter phase instead of just two
- >> More PWM compared to 2-LEVEL
- For equally split dc-link (dc-link/2) is required an actively controlled neutral point
- » Increased control effort to balance dc\_link/2
- >> State space vectors 3 times more complex

## Xilinx TLIMOT 3-Level and 2-Level Inverter Experience with SiC Since 2014 System View



### Xilinx-QDESYS SiC 3-Level, 10kW Inverter (2014)



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- > High speed inverter designed in 2014
  - >> Still a top notch platform
  - >> Extensible to ZYNQ Ultrascale+
- Small switching losses at high frequencies, i.e., from 96 kHz to 625kHz - Tested
- Efficiency of Si-C inverters is found to be 99.25% even at 625kHz for the 10kW inverter - Tested
- > Tested with PMSM motors up to 500,000 RPM.
- > Since 2014 applied in:
  - >> Avionics
  - >> Automotive
  - > Traction
  - > Industrial Drives
  - >> Propulsion
  - Education (Universities, Researchers)
  - >> Lab-tests

## QDESYS Zynq-7000 160kW – 2 Level SiC800V 300A

PicoZed SOM

MicroZed SOM

AVNET<sup>®</sup>





A CREE COMPANY

#### **CAS300M12BM2** 1.2kV, 5.0 mΩ All-Silicon Carbide Half-Bridge Module

C2M MOSFET and Z-Rec<sup>TM</sup> Diode

#### Features

- Ultra Low Loss
- High-Frequency Operation
- Zero Reverse Recovery Current from Diode
- Zero Turn-off Tail Current from MOSFET
- Normally-off, Fail-safe Device Operation
- Ease of Paralleling
- Copper Baseplate and Aluminum Nitride Insulator

#### System Benefits

- Enables Compact and Lightweight Systems
- High Efficiency Operation
- Mitigates Over-voltage Protection
- Reduced Thermal Requirements
- Reduced System Cost



#### Package 62mm x 106mm x 30mm







### **Propulsion Control – 2 Level SiC Inverters (NASA X-57)**





- > **QDESYS Motor Control** implemented on Xilinx ZYNQ FPGA+ARM
- > Redundant Architecture: each power train contributes half of the torque
- Alluminium enclosure (EMI schielding) Aerospace connectors for I/O
- Running at 200% of power
- > Software validated
- > Environmental screening (shake and brake) completed









## **TLIMOT Hardware Details**



### **TLIMOT 3-Level Inverter Block Diagram**



### Fast Switching Needs a Good Gate Driver



- > Optimization for fast switching is a challenging task.
- > Major contributors to the switching behaviour:
  - >> Gate driver,
  - >> Gate resistor,
  - > Voltage overshoot caused by inductive parasitics
  - >> Bus bar behaviour
  - >> DC-Link capacitors

This is an example only every application has its own specificity – many semiconductor manufacturers produces integrated gate drivers

Lesson learned – gate drivers designed for IGBT perform poorly with SiC – beware!

### **Power Switch Topology**

NPC (Standard) Only 3 levels



- 3L NPC phase leg 10 semiconductors:
  - > 4 SiC
  - > 4 Free-Wheeling Diodes
  - > 2 Clamping Diodes

### TNPC (Adopted configuration for TLIMOT) 2 levels and 3 levels



- 3L TNPC phase leg 8 semiconductors:
  - 4 SiC
  - 4 Free-Wheeling Diodes

#### Maximum DC-link voltages:

- > 400VDC using 650V semiconductors,
- > 800VDC using 1200V semiconductors,
- > 1200VDC using 1700V semiconductors

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### **Current Sensors Used With SiC and Zynq**



#### To XADC - Sigma-Delta or external ADC

## **TLIMOT Sensing (Shunt)**



Acquires 2 channels simultaneously

Acquires 8 channels simultaneously

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## **General Architecture TLIMOT**



### Zynq-7000 SoC 1<sup>st</sup> Generation



### Zynq Ultrascale + 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation





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### **General Architecture**



### **Software Architecture – Linux-Based**



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## **GUI and Interfaces**



### Real Time Observability with the GUI (National Instrument Labstudio)



#### Stator Currents vs Time M0 : D0 M0 B0 TEP2.0 - Stator Current vs Time - 2019.9.6 15:44:2 0.88 Vsw 0.8 I-A I-B 0.4 Rotor Angle lcc 0.2 123 () **r/i** Iβ -0.2 Ια -0.88 5.0 mS 10.0 mS 15.0 mS 20.0 mS 26.2 mS 259.2 µS



### Stator Voltages Vα,Vβ



### Stator Voltages vs Time



### **Real Time Frequency Analysis**



416Hz

Motor's Speed

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Jupyter - Notebook

In [1]:	<pre>import time import math import matplotlib import numpy as np import matplotlib.pyplot as plt from mcm2arlib import mcm2arlib</pre>	
In [2]:	mcm=mcm2arlib()	
In [3]:	<pre>mcm.qmx_loadlink("")</pre>	
In [4]:	<pre>mcm.qmx_startup()</pre>	
In [5]:	<pre>print("s/w version = %s" % (mcm.qmgs_sw_version()))</pre>	
	s/w version = 2.1.39	Full
In [6]:	<pre>IVPLOGGER_ACQ_CTRLST_READY=(1&lt;&lt;3) # acquisition ready</pre>	Controllability
In [ ]:		
In [7]:	<pre># LPF1 fcut to K conversion def lpf1_K(Ts,Fcut):     tau=1.0/(2.0*np.pi*Fcut)     n=tau/Ts     T=1.0/(math.exp(1.0/n)-1.0)     K=1.0/(1.0+T)     return K</pre>	
In [8]:	<pre># arm for ivpl acquisition def startivplacq(motor):     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_synmod(motor,1) # 0=free run, 1=sync with electric angle     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_automemsz(motor,1) # 0=manual 1=automatic sample eval     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_numwaves(motor,4) # num of electric cycles     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_numsmp(motor,8192) # num samples     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_howmany(motor,-1) # unlimited     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_howmany(motor,-1) # unlimited     mcm.qmpm_ivpl_sect(rutor) # initiate leas </pre>	
In [9]:	<pre>mcm.qmxm_ivpl_start(motor) # initiate log # display log data def dispivplacq(motor):     # get data     [iphs_a,iphs_b,iphs_c,ibus_x,vphs_a,vphs_b,vphs_c,vbus_x,vphs_n,angle] = mcm.qmgm_ivpl_data_s(motor)</pre>	



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### **Useful Links TLIMOT**

Information <u>http://www.qdesys.com/pdf/MotorControlSolutions\_QDESYS\_Material.pdf</u>

> Requests to: info@qdesys.com





## EDDP Open Source (No SiC)



### **EDDP – Electric Drive Demonstration Platform**

- PMOD connection between Control Board & EDPS
- Default motor 15W BLDC
- Encoder included

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• EDPS – Supports Up to 1KW





### **Python Control – SPYN Project**



**EDPS (Electric Drive Power Stage)** 



- Access To Motor Control Parameter
- Request Status Information from the Motor
- Programmatic Control of Motor
- Continuous Status Capture from Motor
- Plots to Visualize Captured Data
- Storing Captured Data for Analytics
- Live Interactive Plots to Investigate
   Data



### **Predictive Control**

> Use system's model for predicting the future behaviour of the controlled variables

> Optimal actuation according to predefined optimization criterion



### Finite Control Set Model Predictive Control – SPYN





angle in 4\*pi/999

## Safety



### **Safety capabilities**



- 6. Logic Built In Self Test (LBIST) for checkers & monitors at power-on
  - Peripherals coverage by end-to-end software protocols

CSU

TMR Core

SLCRs

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\_\_7. Software Test Library (STL) for GIC, interconnect, SLCRs & error injection

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Full Power

Domain

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Certifying Assessor

The MPSoC shall be used per the requirements described in the Zynq UttraScale+ MPSoC Safety Manual (UG1226) and Software Safety User Guide (UG1220).

Application restrictions:

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### Architecture of the single chip HFT=1 Drive



### Learn More...

- > Learn More about Motor and Inverter Control with Xilinx
  - https://www.xilinx.com/publications/solution-briefs/xilinx-drives-and-motor-control-solutionbrief.pdf
- > Learn More about TLIMOT
  - >> https://www.xilinx.com/products/boards-and-kits/1-6g18zh.html
- > Learn More about EDDP, SPYN (same HW, different designs)
  - https://github.com/Xilinx/IIoT-EDDP
  - <u>https://github.com/Xilinx/IIoT-SPYN</u>



YouTube Videos: Getting Started with the Electric Drives Demo SPYN Quick Take Video on YouTube

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