

Avionics Based on Ethernet Networks

ADCSS 2013 Chris Taylor ESA/ESTEC, Jean-Francois Dufour ESA/ESTEC

European Space Agency

Introduction



- Ethernet is the most commonly used terrestrial protocol and has already seen limited use in space onboard the international space station.
- In response to terrestrial requirements for real-time and fault tolerance, new flavours of Ethernet are now commercially available
- Such developments are of potential interest to the space communicatory and as we shall see are already finding their way into missions
- This session will overview the concepts behind TTEthernet and examine actual and potential use cases in space applications. Products and prototype implementations will be presented.
- The session is intended to be informative so as to make the space community aware of developments and potential applications

Agenda



Introduction to Deterministic Networks	Prof. Hermann KOPETZ (Technical University of Vienna)	14:00 - 14:40
TTEthernet presentation	Mr. Christian FIDI (TTTech Computertechnik AG)	14:40 - 15:10
Deterministic High Speed Communication in Space	Mr. Jens HARTMANN (Astrium EADS)	15:10 - 15:40
Coffee Break		15:40 - 16:00
MPCV CM Presentation- Webex	Mr. George W. EGER (Locheed Martin)	16:00 - 16:30
FLPP/AvionicX	Mr. Guillaume JAVELLAUD (ESA/HQ)	16:30 - 17:00
Implementation aspects of TTEthernet interfaces	Mr. Anders PETERSEN (RUAG Space AB)	17:00 - 17:30
Open Discussion	All	17:30 - 18:15

Key Note



Hermann Kopetz is emeritus professor at the Technical University of Vienna. He is the chief architect of the time-triggered technology for dependable embedded Systems and a co-founder of the company TTTech. The time-triggered technology is deployed in leading aerospace, automotive and industrial applications. Kopetz is a Life Fellow of the IEEE and a full member of the Austrian Academy of Science. Kopetz served as the chairman of the IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Dependable *Computing and Fault Tolerance* and in program committees of many scientific conferences. He is a founding member and a former chairman of IFIPWG 10.4 and has been a member of the ISTAG advisory group at the European Commission in Brussels from 1998-1912. Kopetz has written a widely used textbook on Real-Time Systems and published more than 200 papers. In June 2007 he received the honorary degree of Dr. honoris causa from the University Paul Sabatier in Toulouse, France.



Summary



- TTEthernet is already finding its way into the flight avionics MPCV
- What is the potential market?
 - Currently the use limited to Human spaceflight and potentially
 Launchers
- What building blocks are available (MPCV development is ITAR), commercial boards and test system from TTTech, but IP cores , ASIC?:
 - The overriding need is to have an open standard supported by more than one source
 - The approach taken for existing development such as the LEON should be followed (IP core licenced by ESA to European missions)
 - Supporting tools need to be developed and the IP core need to be focused on actual needs rather than general purpose