

Single chip dc-dc controller with high voltage input Primary

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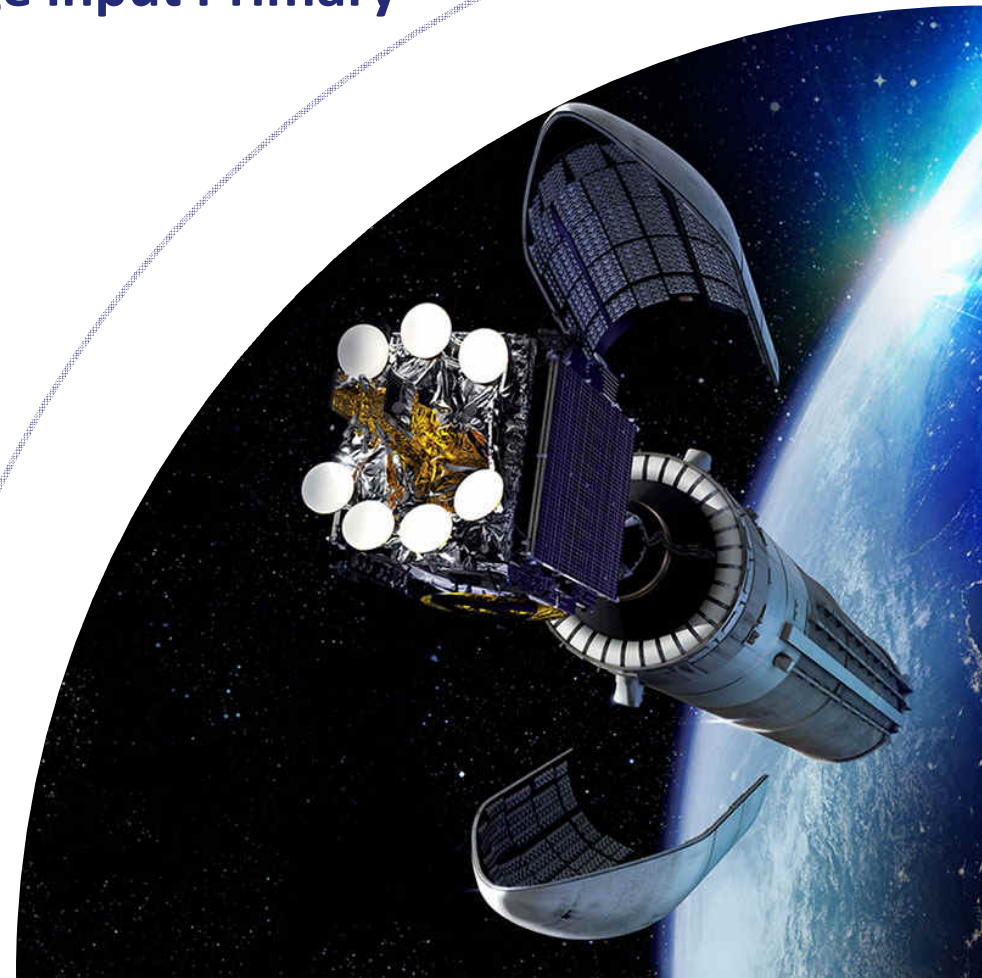


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1 HIGH SPEED CONTROLLER (HSC)

a lot more than a “PWM controller” → Swiss knife for dc-dc designer

Several Band gap voltage reference: segregation regulation & protection

Protections:

- 🔌 OVER-VOLTAGE & UNDER-VOLTAGE
- 🔌 OVER-CURRENT
- 🔌 OVER-TEMPERATURE: 2X EXTERNAL & 1 INTERNAL

HF signals to cross galvanic barrier

- 🔌 OPTO-COUPLEDERS → 20MHZ ULTRA COMPACT TRANSFORMERS
- 🔌 2X ALARMS + 1X PWM

RC Oscillator + ext. Sync input

VCO → LLC variable Switching freq. converter

Soft Start

Bus undervoltage lock out (UVLO)

Auto-restart with HICCUP / TC on & TC off control.

Power requirement ~20mA / 5V



No need for additional active control / monitoring devices whatever the dc-dc type.

HIGH SPEED CONTROLLER (HSC)

High voltage features ...

/// High voltage transistors used & managed such as to be tolerant to radiations

➔ **Nothing (no discrete semiconductor) else required in dc-dc design than power devices**

OK for power diodes & transistors, Mosfet or GaN

/// **Connection to Vbus**

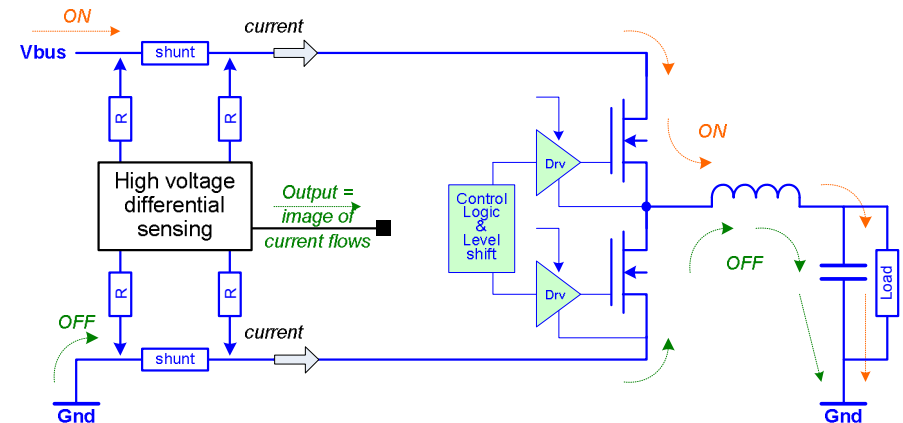
➔ continuous operation on +100V bus with ripple & 33% transients ie. >135V peak

/// **High voltage drop / low current linear regulator to enable supply of ...**

- Startup of the dc-dc
- Holding of the On/Off status of the dc-dc
- Bus under-voltage protection & over T° protection

/// **Current sensing on a shunt in the hot Vbus line**

- Double differential amplifier with very high common mode.



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HIGH SPEED CONTROLLER (HSC)

Half-bridge GaN → new dc-dc topologies & higher speed

Capable to control **complex topologies**

- 🪐 PHASE SHIFTED FULL BRIDGE
- 🪐 SMART: ZVS BUCK + ZVS PUSH-PULL
- 🪐 LLC: HALF BRIDGE OR FULL BRIDGE

Ready for **1MHz** switching ⇔ GaN HEMT technology

- 🪐 ON CHIP OSCILLATOR
- 🪐 HIGH BW CURRENT SENSING AMPLIFIER
- 🪐 HIGH SPEED PWM COMPARATOR
- 🪐 CURRENT LEADING EDGE BLANKING FUNCTION

Multiple regulation/control schemes

- 🪐 CURRENT AVERAGE MODE
- 🪐 CURRENT PEAK MODE + SLOPE COMPENSATION & EDGE BLANKING
- 🪐 NEW PVCC PEAK & VALLEY CURRENT CONTROL

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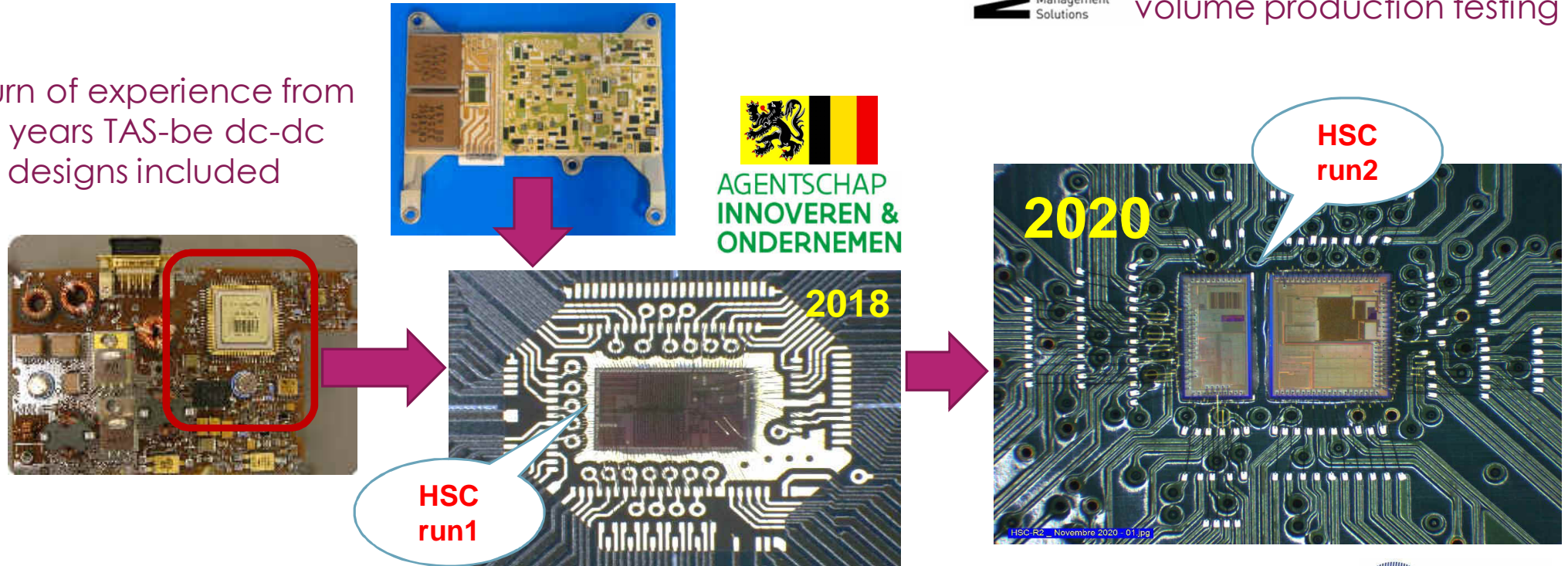
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PRODUCT CONSTRUCTION ROADMAP

Return of experience from 20 years TAS-be dc-dc designs included



= IC design house
+ characterization &
volume production testing

/// HSC-run1: Functionnal validation in real dc-dc applications
Characterization over T° / dose & heavy ions

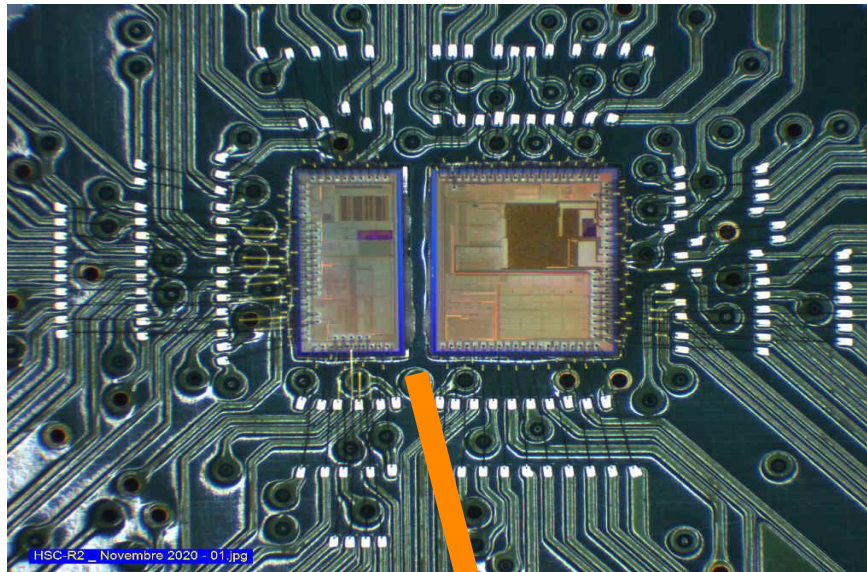
/// HSC-run2: bug fixes + new feature = PVCC



SEGREGATION

Regulation & protection may not share an element potentially leading to simultaneous failure

- /// Regulation
- /// Band-gap
- /// OSC + PWM
- /// Current sense



- /// High voltage drop bootstrap supply
- /// Band-gap
- /// Protections

Physical rupture of the mono-crystalline wafer due to defect or crack at edges during dicing.



Physical split: 1/3 left & 2/3 right

Each side → bandgap

2. Current Control Loops

ACC

Average Current Control [2]

- ✓ Much used on spacecraft PF with symmetrical sawtooth

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AVERAGE CURRENT CONTROL WITH ASYMMETRICAL SAWTOOTH OR PEAK CURRENT CONTROL
 Christophe Delepaut,
 HadrienCarbonnier
 ESPC 03/10/2019

PCC

Peak Current Control [1]

- ✓ Sawtooth called compensation ramp
- ✓ Much used for terrestrial applications

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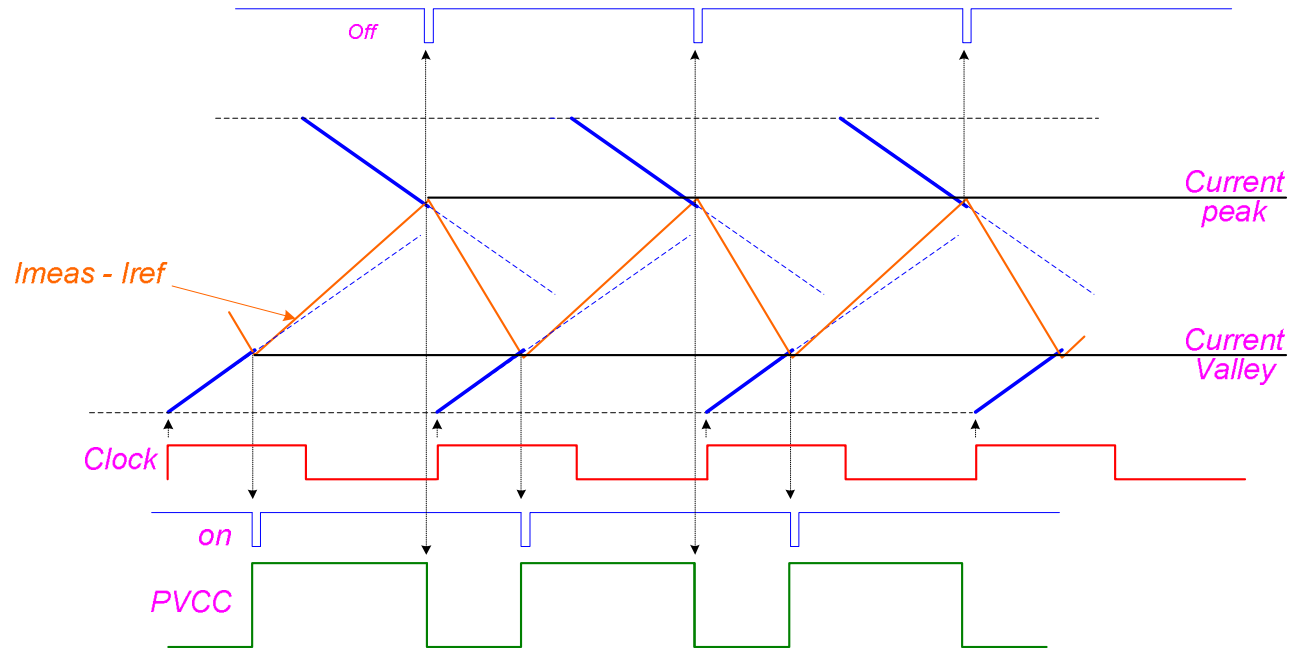
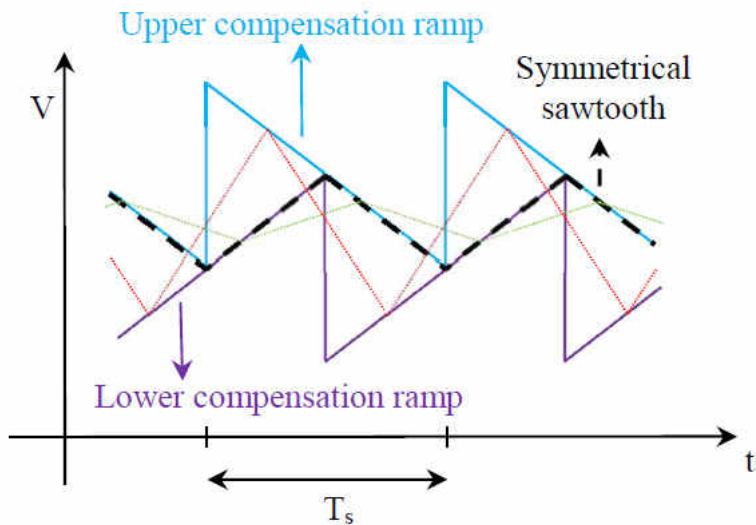
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PEAK & VALLEY CURRENT CONTROL SCHEME

Higher closed loop BW $\sim 2x$

Average current control with single sawtooth & single comparator

- ➔ limited loop gain (stability)
- ➔ limited closed loop BW



New implementation requires 2 sawtooth & 2 comparators + set / reset logic
➔ loop gain increase without stability issues

Fig. 9. Symmetrical sawtooth or upper and lower compensation ramps

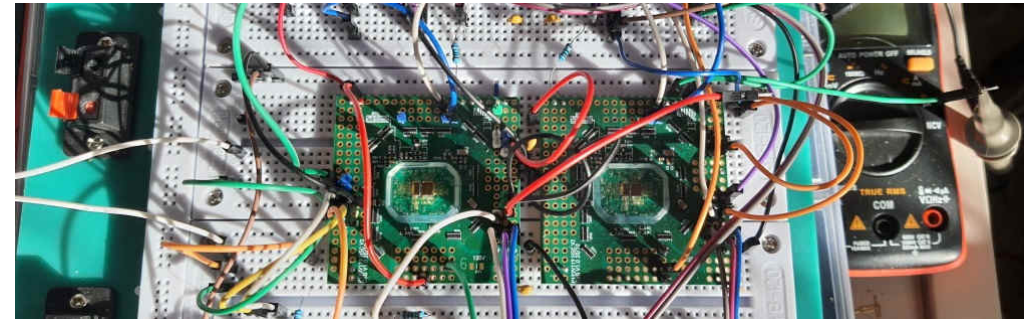


Average Current Control with Symmetrical Sawtooth or Peak and Valley Current Control
Christophe Delepaut & Hadrien Carbonnier ESTEC, ESA

ONGOING & FUTURE WORK

Formal performance verifications engaged

/// First electrical functional test completed:



/// ~1000 BGA packages expected in June →



/// Electrical detailed characterization

/// Development of automated recurrent production test means →



/// ESD & Radiation (dose + heavy ion) tests

/// 1st batch Qualification according to ESCC-Q60-13C

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Project = High Voltage Silicon for Radiation Hardened applications = HV-Si-Rad



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