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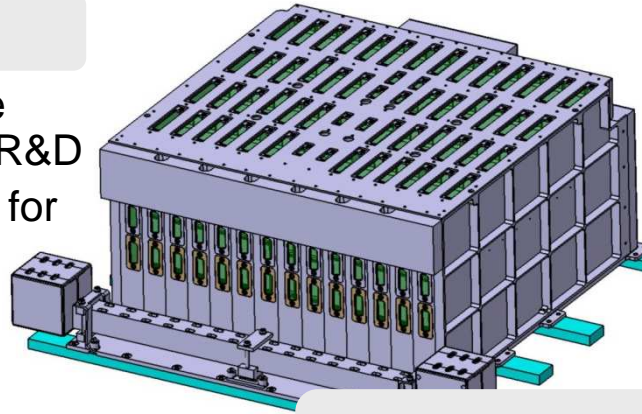
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# TAS-BELGIUM

## HIGH POWER AVIONICS

- Development programme underway under ARTES R&D
- Modular PLDIU & PFDIU for SB NEO platform
- Complete satellite power distribution and avionics
- CAN backplane bus
- DPC-based solution

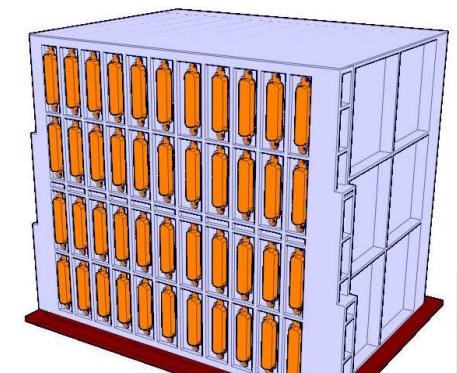
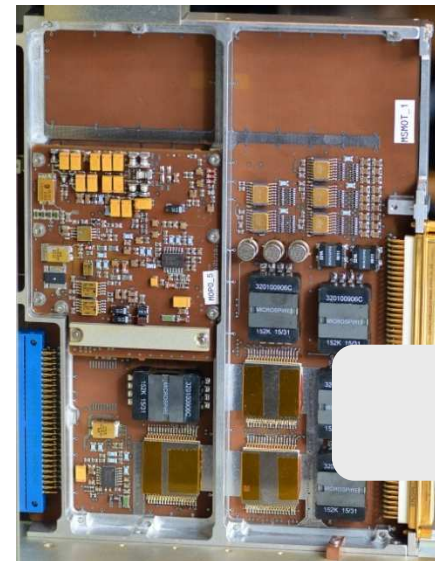


**NEOSAT Qualification  
foreseen Q4/2016**



## MEDIUM POWER AVIONICS

- Generic RTU development program ongoing under GSTP R&D
- Application programs:
  - CERES
    - In partnership with EREMS
  - Exomars CRTU
    - In partnership with Qinetiq Space
- DPC solution with CAN backplane



**RTU Qualification  
foreseen Q2/2016**

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## REMOTE TERMINAL UNITS

SPOT 5 - MGS  
HELIOS 2 - MGS  
SPOT 4 - RTU  
ROSETTA S/S - RTU  
ROSETTA P/L - RTU  
MARS EXPRESS - RTU  
VENUS EXPRESS - RTU  
GALILEO GIOVE - RTU



## INSTRUMENT CONTROL UNITS

HELIOS 2 MG - CIB  
PLEIADES - MSI  
SENTINEL 3 - OEU  
HREOS S3 - MSI  
HREOS S2 - PCU  
SEOSAT INGENIO - ICU  
TAS EXPORT OBSERVATION - ICU



## PAYLOAD INTERFACE UNITS

WORLDSTAR - PIU  
GLOBALSTAR2 - PLIU  
O3B - PLIU



## MECHANISM CONTROL UNITS

ENVISAT/PPF - APME  
ARTEMIS - APME  
SESAT - APME  
ROSETTA - SADE  
MARS EXPRESS - SADE  
VENUS EXPRESS - SADE  
ATV - SADE  
SENTINEL 1- DCU  
EXOMARS RV - ADE



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## ➤ BepiColombo RIU's

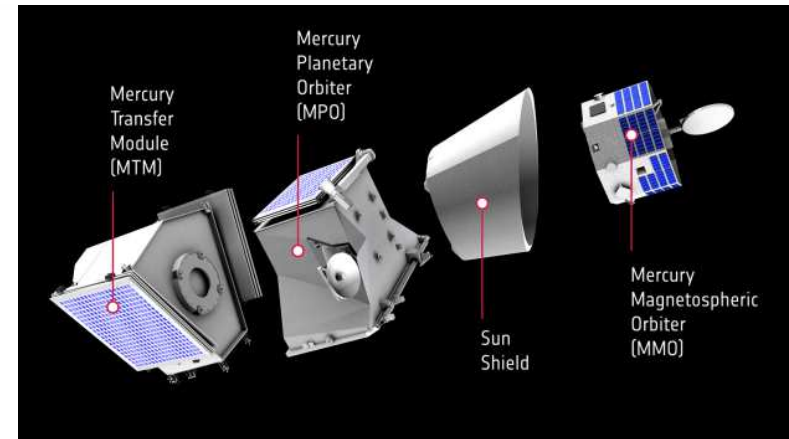
- MTM and MPO each have a TAS-UK (SEA) RIU.
- Common modular architecture

- reduced design time
- reduced review cycle
- SAVOIR-like

## ➤ Simplicity of architecture for the customer

- SpaceWire interface/ RMAP protocols.
- Power management features.
- Hot redundant operations.
- Single point failure free.
- >98% built in test coverage.

- Status : MTM RIU delivered Dec 2014, MPO RIU delivered mid-2015, currently undergoing spacecraft integration





## ✈ AVIONICS PRODUCT TREND

### ✈ MODULARITY

- Unit to be fully modular based on 'plug & play' elements for I/O functions

### ✈ FLEXIBILITY

- The elements for I/O functions as well as the unit controller to present adaptability to different needs

### ✈ SCALABILITY

- The unit to provide capability for extend the number and complexity of the elements

**SCALABLE, FULLY FLEXIBLE,  
MODULAR AND AFFORDABLE**

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# TAS RTU ARCHITECTURE

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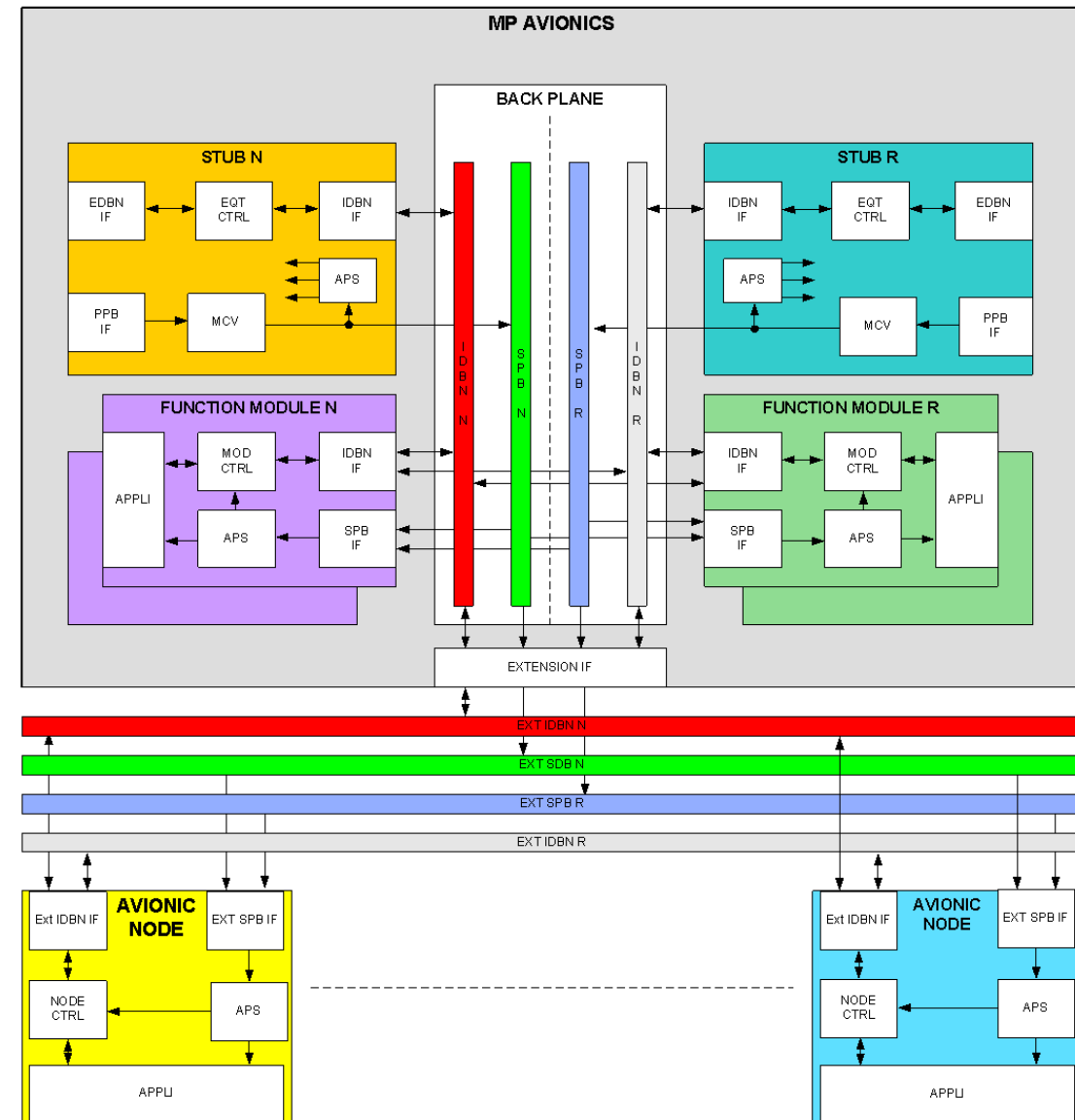
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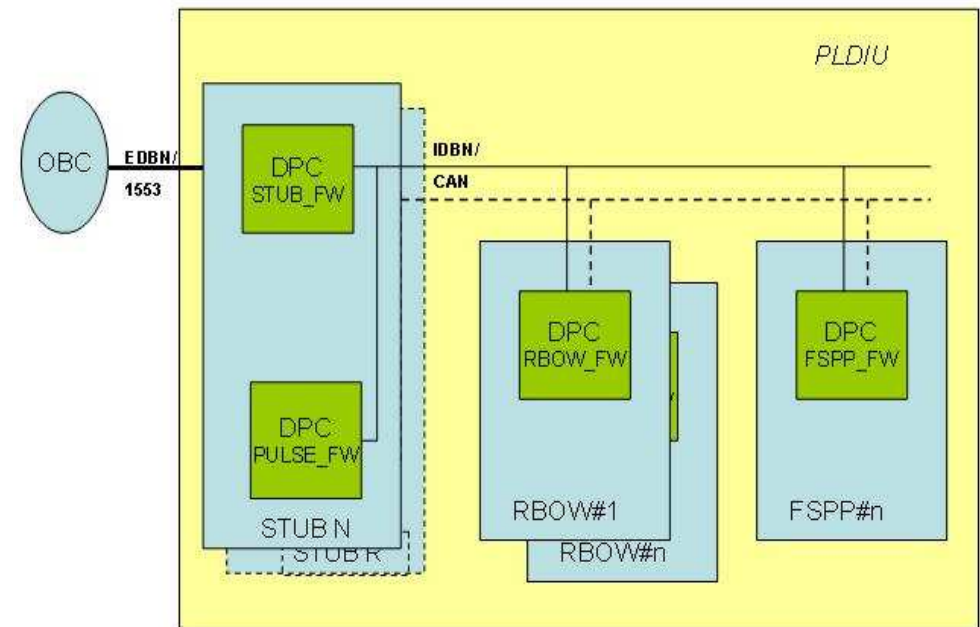
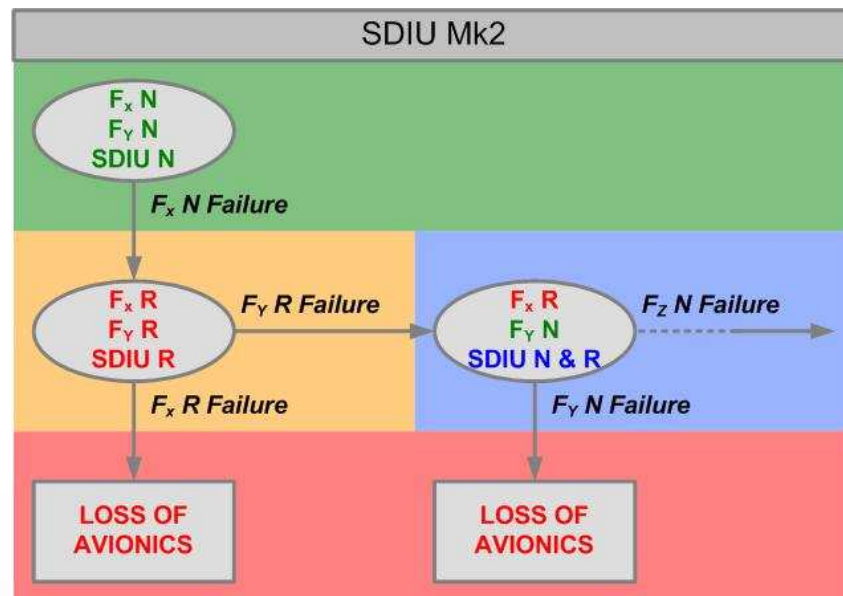
- ✈ Electrical architecture:
  - ✈ Very high modularity and versatility
    - Adapted to small equipment as SADE up to complete RTU or PIU
    - Compatible with simple N+R redundancy up to complete N/R cross-strapping with hot redundancy capability
  - ✈ Open to external unit extension
    - In terms of TM/TC and power supply architecture
  - ✈ Compatible with decentralised system





# ARCHITECTURAL SOLUTIONS

- Failure Group Management - FDIR
  - Modular internal TMTC and Power supply concepts
  - Fully standardized backplane interface
  - Full internal cross-strap
  - Double crossed-failure tolerance



Can provide better reliability figure  
than classical cold redundancy

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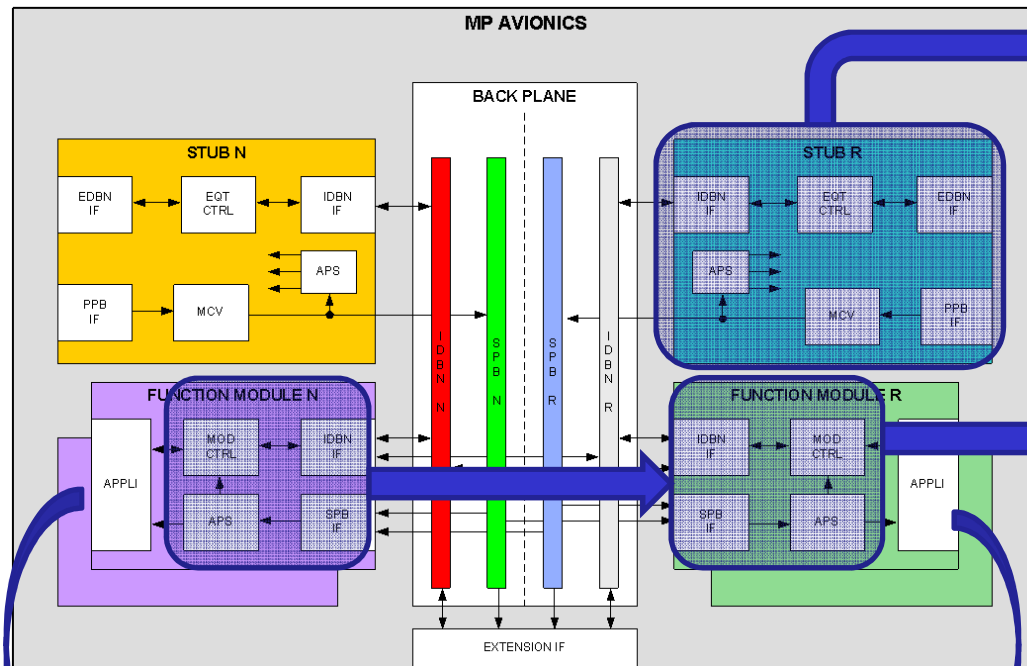
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- Standard module: STUB
- Used on multiple programs
- Standard physical BBK: DPM



- Advantages:
  - No redesign
  - Standard & stable back-plane interface
  - Stable routing of complex function
  - FW upload & validation at DPM level
  - Easier teaming agreements
  - ➔ risk management



## SAM:

- 2 half-bridge drivers
- Used for SADE & APME
- Used on SDIU Mk2, all RTU's,...



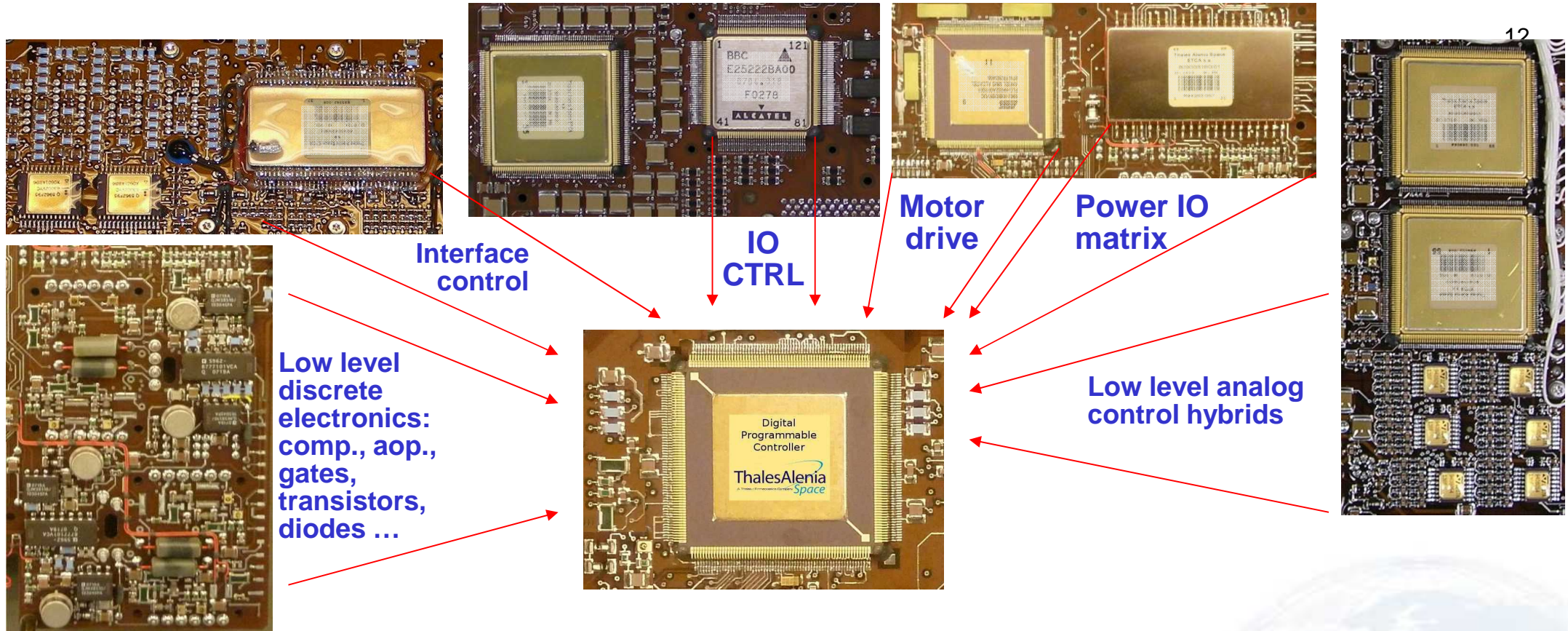
## HLS:

- 8 hot line switches + itlm
- Used for heaters, pyro, bypass, propulsion, HLC,...
- Used on SDIU Mk2, all RTU's,...

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## DPC-G1 as key function for rationalisation of today's products



- One single chip replaces several functions !
  - Back-plane interface standard hybrid
  - Function specific ASIC or FPGA
- Firmware particularize the functionality

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## ✈ AFFORDABILITY ↔ COMPETITIVITY

### ✈ Development of COMPETITIVE Building Blocks.

- Reuse of validated elements
- Reduction of risk
- Sharing of know-how throughout TAS

### ✈ SAVOIR baseline definition

- Common architecture definition
- Reuse of Avionics definition for next programs



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# BACKPLANE & TMTC Approach

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Avionic products require a different approach of Back-panel depending on the nature of the signals required in those units

## PLIU/RTU Backplane contents:

- Supply distribution
  - 1 to 3 rails typically
- Internal C&C distribution
  - low to medium rates <10 Mbps
  - SPI, CAN, ML16/DS16 busses concept.
- Discrete signals

## ICU Backplane contents

- Supply distribution
  - 1 to 3 rails typically
- Internal C&C distribution
  - low to medium rates <10 Mbps
  - SPI, CAN, ML16/DS16 busses concept.
- Discrete signals
- High rate data transmission
  - >10Mbps when data processing required (depending on the mission)
  - SpW, SpF, TTEth, cPCI, dedicated ones...



## However Standardised Back-planes bring advantages Why?

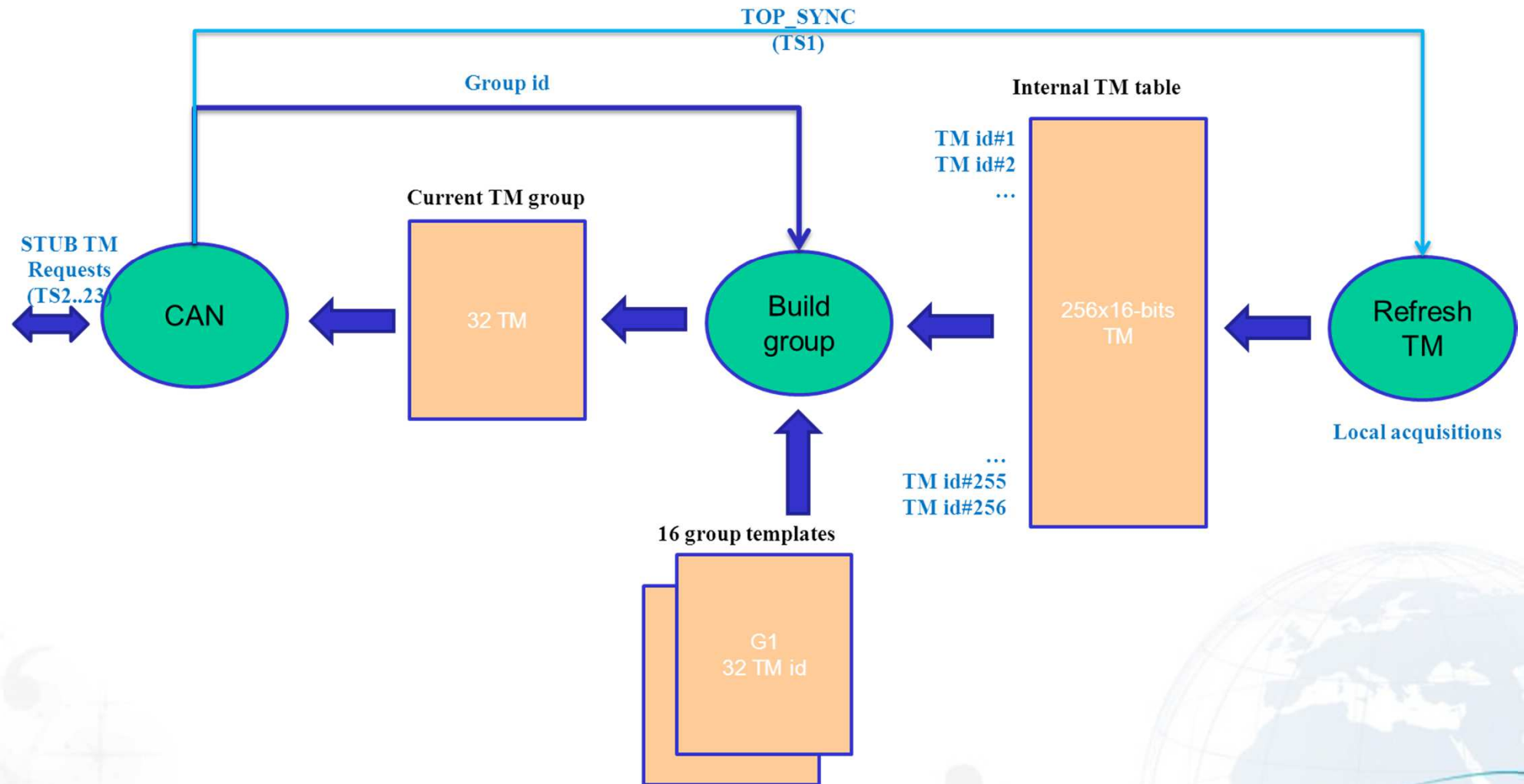
- ✖ The signal carrying backplane electrical interfaces within a unit are not dictated by customer requirements and are typically non-standard, consisting of discrete lines, parallel busses, device specific serial busses
- ✖ The mechanical interfaces for each PCB module are vendor specific
- ✖ Module level AIT is complicated by the large number of interface types, so emulating a module that is still in the development cycle is non-trivial

**A potential solution is to create a Backplane Standard for each type, e.g. CAN, SpaceWire, SPI**

**Module re-use between missions and instruments is then practical**

# EX1: CAN BACK-PLANE – Management

## CANBUS : TM processing at module side



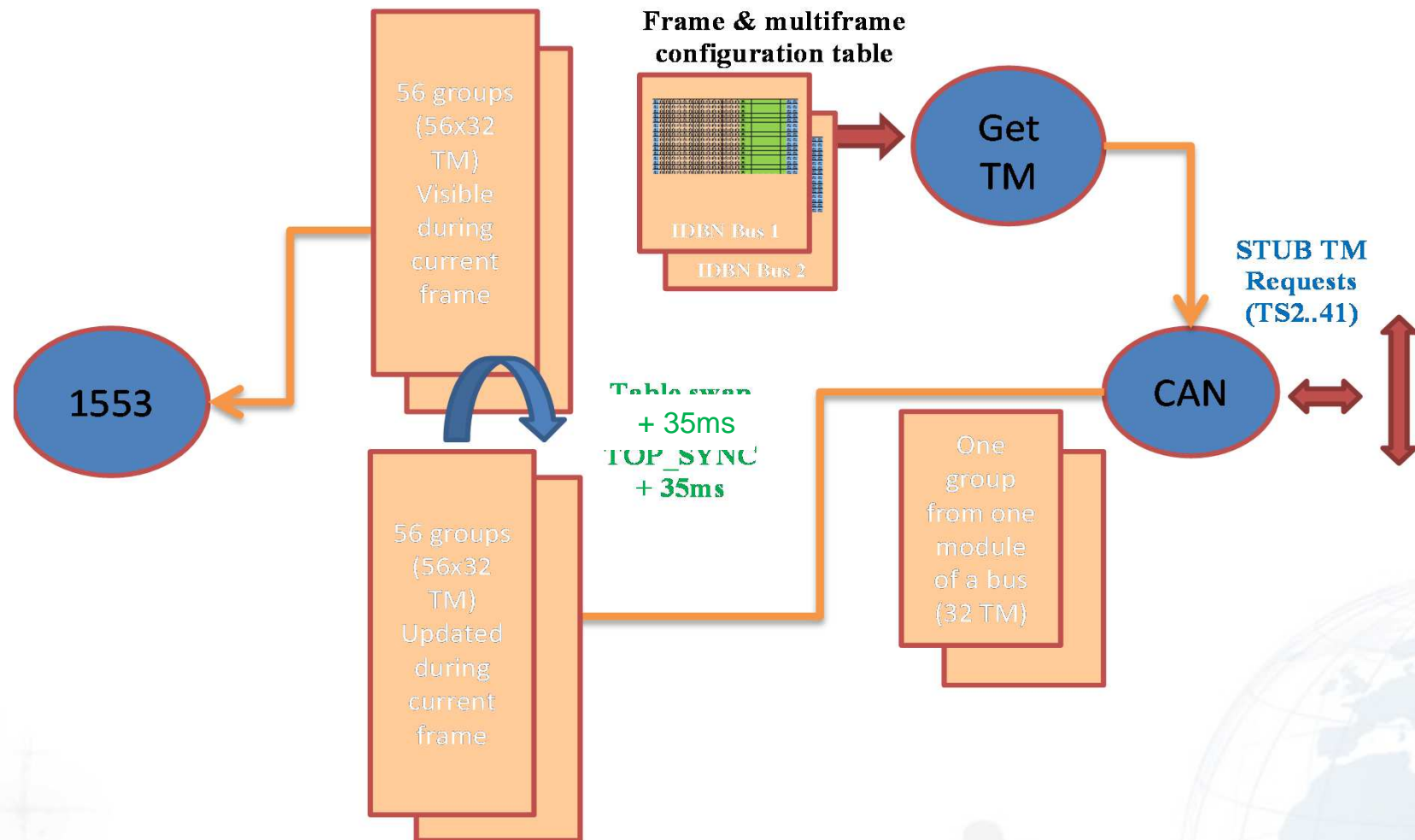
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# EX1: CAN BACK-PLANE – Management

## CANBUS : TM processing at STUB side



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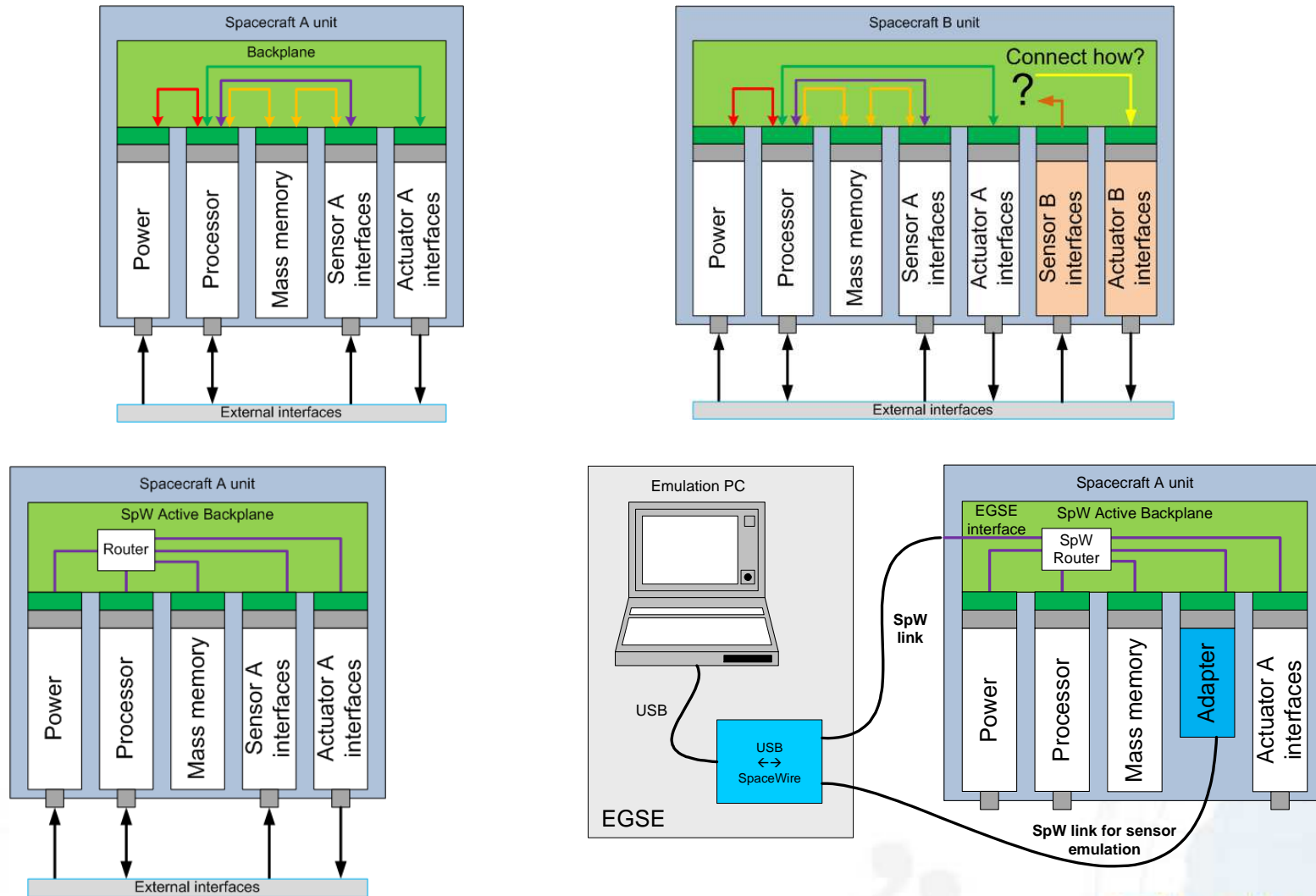
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# EX2: STANDARDISED BACK-PLANE – SpaceWire

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## SpW : Adhoc interconnect v. SpW backplane



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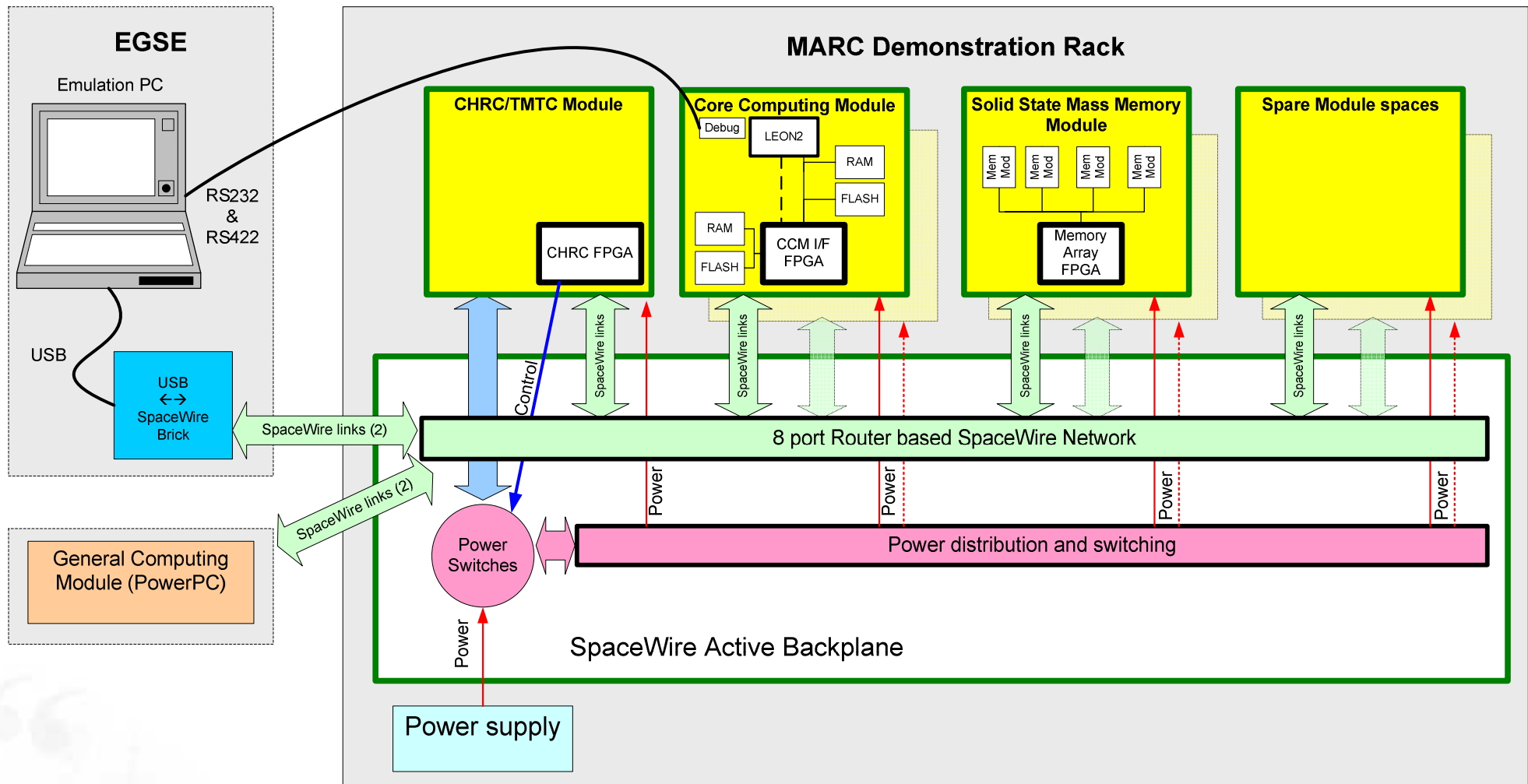
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# EX2: STANDARDISED BACK-PLANE – SpaceWire

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## SpW: MARC demonstrator



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# CONCLUSIONS

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- Certain core functions may be standardised but architecture must allow scalability
- BBK can be physical modules as well as physical elements
- Varied applications can imply a number of backplane standards → CAN, SPI, SpW,....
- Inclusion of third party suppliers comes through standardised backplane interface

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