#### Considerations for High Power Aerospace Applications

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Employees

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## Decarbonizing aviation, our strategic priority

#### **Innovative technologies**

to contribute to a "zero emission" aviation by 2050



#### **TRENDS IN AEROSPACE ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS**

- Increasing adoption of inverter-fed brushless (particularly PM) machine technology
- ✓ Increasing system voltages and : 115VAC→230VAC / 28VDC → 270VDC → 540VDC → HVDC
- Drive towards E-propulsion, beyond traditional ATA 24. Acceleration of HVDC up to 800VDC
- Diversification and distribution of energy sources (Generators, Fuel Cells, Batteries) PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL | © Safran 2023



## **ePOWER** solutions

FOR HYBRID-ELECTRIC AND FULL ELECTRIC PROPULSION

#### e?ower

A brand new range of products preparing the future of hybrid / electric propulsion.

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- Scalable technology bricks enabling application from non propulsive to propulsive
- Tested on several new mobility platforms to validate concepts

**KEY SUCCESS FACTORS** 

**PRODUCTION SYSTEM** 

**INNOVATION** CERTIFICATION



#### GENetUS **HIGH VOLTAGE DC MOTORS & GENERATOR**



ENGINeUS **INTEGRATED MOTOR DRIVE** ENGINE



GENeUSGRID **POWER MANAGEMENT** UNIT



#### GENeUSPACK **ENERGY STORAGE**



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Volocopter and Safran to Collaborate on Next-Gan Electric Powertrain **VOLOCOPTER** 







#### CAE launches Electric Aircraft Modification Program with Piper Aircraft Inc.

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Safran on board the Chinese E20 eVTOL from TCab Tech!

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#### SAFRAN SMART PROPULSION MOTOR ROAD MAP



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Low speed, high torque density

30% weight reduction, easier vehicle integration

- Direct replacement of existing CS23 heat engines
- Targeting Direct Drive (1.5-3krpm) or small-reductionratio gearing can be integrated into motor where lower propeller speed (<1krpm) is required
- Demonstrated tandem operation capability, supporting modular scalability.
- Optimised cooling: Direct Oil motor torque density breakthrough  $\rightarrow$  35-40A/mm<sup>2</sup>; Improved thermally conductive resin systems for optimized Air Cooling. Common machine & electronics cooling system.



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- ENGINEUS 100 is a family of products covering Max Take Off Power (MTOP) from 110kW up to 150kW
- Air cooling : relying on natural external flow. Easier vehicle integration. Water-glycol cooling jacket option.



- ✓ Integrated control & power converter. Common cooling system
- Can operate at up to 800VDC at altitude
  - Power-to-active weight ratio : >6 kW/kg
  - > Torque-to-active weight ratio : >22 Nm/kg

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## **OVERVIEW - - GENetUS**<sup>300</sup> **FEATURES**

#### **Preliminary configuration**

- Multi-phase PMG
- 600-800VDC output  $\succ$
- $\succ$ 3 independent channels, as an available option
- > 34-36,000rpm operating range
- $\geq$ Oil Cooled
- Integrated rectifier/inverter
- Motor or generator mode
- power density > 10 kW/kg  $\succ$
- 95% efficiency  $\succ$



Motor/Generator with integrated Power Electronics

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## Aircraft propulsive power requirements

#### **Range of Required Machine Power**





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Figure 2. retrieved from Sizing Power Components of an Electrically Driven Tail Cone Thruster and a Range Extender. Ralph H. Jansen 1, Cheryl Bowman 2 and Amy Jankovsky 3. NASA Glenn Research Center

## **Electrification benchmark: the energy storage problem**

- All-electric: "Most contemporary electric cars are 20 to 30 percent heavier than petrol cars of comparable size and power output."
  - Nissan Leaf Battery: 303kg (1580kg vehicle weight)
  - Tesla "S" Battery: 544kg (2069kg vehicle weight)
  - Tesla "Y" Battery: 530kg (2003kg vehicle weight)

Single aisle (150pax): 22MW propulsive power requirement

- Jet engine: 54MW thermal requirement (41% efficient)
  - 5.5 tonnes engine weight (power density: 9.9 kW/kg)
  - 2 hours: 9t fuel consumption (Jet fuel: 43 MJ/kg) cf. 18.8t A320 fuel capacity
- Electric engine: 24.4MWe required (90% efficient)
  - 7 tonnes engine weight (power density 3.5kW/kg)
  - 201 tonnes of batteries required (Li-ion: 0.875 MJ/kg)

#### A320 MTOW 83t including airframe, systems, payload

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#### Trade studies to be "won"

- Hybrid concepts: maintain turbine power sources, with "augmentation" using electromechanical power conversion. The objectives are:
  - improvement of platform efficiency by tuning the operating point(s) of the turbine(s), and
  - reduction of turbine size by levelling the power demand using the electromechanical power system.
  - reduction of CO2 emissions, with Sustainable Aviation Fuels, or elimination through use of Hydrogen
- Electric concepts: batteries and/or fuel cells power electrical propulsors. The objectives are:
  - elimination of turbines and associated accessories
  - elimination of emissions
- Viability: technologies needs to be demonstrated to show that the benefits of the improvements are more significant than the impact of installing the necessary power conversion equipment and energy storage devices.

Safety, Weight, Purchase and Operating Costs, Reliability, Maintainability are all key factors for Aircraft Operators

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#### The route to convergence

#### Primary SYSTEM LEVEL objectives for electromechanical conversion:

- Maximum power and/or torque density
- Appropriate levels of redundancy and/or fault tolerance
- Flexible control to allow additional functionality

#### System: From the voltage source to the propeller

- Efficiency and thermal management are key
- Each part of the system impacts all other parts, e.g. motor frequency drives filter and power electronics design

#### System components:

- Interconnects
- Protective devices
- Power Electronics
- Control system
- Motor (with gearbox if necessary)

# System optimisation is a key enabler to future viable electrified aircraft platforms



#### **Degrees of freedom**

#### Integrated vs separate:

- Integrated PE offers reduced filtering requirement at the cost of (typ.) a harsher environment
- Separate PE allows a more favourable environment, although this will normally still be challenging.

#### Converter topology:

- Two-level conversion is sufficient for 800V, but requires increased filtering. Multi-level conversion facilitates increased voltage capability, reduced filtering, greater flexibility at the cost of greater complexity. However, reliability is reduced, requiring increased redundancy.
- Soft switching may be an option to reduce peak system voltages, but this needs to be balanced against complexity.

#### Component technology:

- Si / SiC / GaN / ? The reduction of losses overall is very important, but needs to be balanced against filtering requirements.
- Increased operating temperature, lower loss passives will be a significant easement
- Supply chain Motor



## **Challenges – Power Electronics**

- I Improved switching components with reduced switching and conduction losses
- 2 Optimised converter topologies and control algorithms
- 3 High-performance harsh-environment passive components, e.g. capacitors
- 4 Improved packaging for harsh environment, reduced weight and improved performance, e.g. bus bars for high altitude applications
- 5 Filters with improved architecture and performance for reduced weight
- 6 Soft-switching or similar for reduced voltage perturbation.
- 7 Novel control for optimised performance
- 8 Component topologies for high altitude operation (e.g. partial discharge-free)
- 9 Lightning protection components and methods
- 10 Quick-sizing / pre-design tools (magnetic components, converters)
- 11 Supply chain easement: more flexible, geographically distributed



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