Spacewire cabling in an Operationally Responsive Space Environment

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Agenda

• Who am I
  – Me
  – NRL/NCST

• What are we doing
  – ORS
  – TACSATs, TACSAT-4
  – Spacewire

• Why do it
  – Depot concept

• What have we done so far
  – Test Plan
  – Test results

• What’s next
  – Summary and input
My Background

- Electronics Engineer, NRL 2003- present
  - Electrical I&T lead TACSAT-4 / ORS phase-3 bus
- Hardware Design Engineer, Hewlett-Packard Technical Workstation Laboratory 2000-2003
  - USB Subsystem Lead Engineer
- Senior Software Support Engineer, Hewlett-Packard 1995 - 2000
- Masters of Electrical Engineering, Colorado State University, 2003
  - Master’s thesis: *Transmission time prediction for meander delay lines in a common PCB geometry*
    - Use of Ansoft HFSS, HPSpice and Matlab to suggest an equation to quantify the actual propagation speed of a signal through a meandering delay line of printed circuit board traces.
- Bachelors of Electrical Engineering, Auburn University 1993
Recent NRL High Speed Data Designs

• NPOES firewire, Ken Wolfram
  – Details TBD
• STEREO (SECCHI)
  – Board Design by Greg Clifford, of SEI.
  – Details available from Greg Clifford (gclifford@silvereng.com) or via SECCHI design review material
  – Of note:
    • SECCHI TVAC cables were created and used with 37P circular connector inline
      – 3 pairs of COTS spacewire (DVI heritage) cables were cut up and a 37P circular connector (D507-37S-059) was attached to the end.
      – A DM5623-37PP was used to penetrate the chamber wall
      – The vacuum portion of the cable assembly was created with 26GA TSP and an overall shield. This terminated in uDs on the UUT end and a 37S Circular on the chamber wall end (13084 37S-5020)
    • No additional qualification, no signal integrity testing was done on the cable solution
    • Cable configuration worked fine at 100Mb/s
    • Only problems encountered were workmanship:
      – The 28GA wire in the COTS cables kept coming loose from the 37-CIR
    • Flight cables were COTS spacewire
What is ORS?

• ORS stands for Operationally Responsive Space
• Trying to make space more accessible to the commanders in the field
  – the UAVs of Space
• Vision is call-up to launch in less than seven days

• This vision requires having inventory of space assets ready
  – Use pre-built busses and payloads
    • Mix-and match
    • Stored in a depot
    • On call up, mate bus to payload, then stack and launch
  – Want to leverage/enable Industry for cost savings
    • Any manufacturer can build a bus or payload
    • Will not be build to point design, is build to requirements

• Satellites are small
• TACSATs (tactical satellites) are part of the ORS effort
TacSat Update: #1 - #4

- **TacSat-1**
  - Navy Led Experiment for OSD’s OFT
  - Tactical RF Payloads and UHF Cross-Platform Link
  - Low Resolution Visible (70m) and IR (850m) Cameras
  - Direct Access Via SIPRNET and VMOC Web Site
  - Spacecraft Completed May 04, Within 1 Year
  - Pathfinding a New Launch Process and Vehicle
  - Launch: Falcon-1 Spring 07

- **TacSat-2**
  - Air Force Led Experiment
  - Tactical Imaging and RF Payloads
  - Tactical CDL and UHF Links
  - Multiple Science Payloads
  - Launch on Minotaur-I, Dec 2006

- **TacSat-3**
  - Began First Joint Process for Selection,
    - Process Led by AFSPC
  - Air Force Led Experiment
  - AF/Army Hyperspectral Primary Payload
  - Navy Small Data-X Payload for IP-Based Buoy Comms
  - Launch on Minotaur-I, October 2007

- **TacSat-4**
  - Mission Jointly Selected on Oct 13, 2005
  - Navy Leading With COTM/Data-X/BFT
  - Launch on Minotaur-IV, October 2008

**Overall Experimentation Purpose**
Experiment w/ Key System Elements to Mature Understanding and CONOPS for An Operational System
# TacSat-4 Mission Summary

**Navy Led for Joint Community**

## Objectives

- Demo High Dwell ORS Capability via a HEO Orbit
  - Augment Poor/No Coverage Areas
- Evaluate & Mature Phase 3, System Level Bus Standards in Realistic I&T, Launch, and Flight Operations Environment
- Provide TACSAT/ORS Comms-on-the-Move Capability (Legacy, Netted, and MOUS-Like)
- Collect BFT Devices in Underserved Areas
- Perform Buoy/Sensor Data-X on Moderate-to-High Power Transmissions

## Spacecraft and Payload Highlights

**Satellite [Space Vehicle]:**
- 425 kg
- Payload Power: 200 - 610 Watts
- Low HEO (4 hr) Orbit
- 1 Year Life

**Payload Capability:**
- Data-X and BFT
- COTM
  - Legacy Radio & IP Netted Support
  - MOUS-Like Wideband Capability

## Ground Equipment

- BFT Devices: MTX, Grenadier Brat, Others
- COTM: Legacy Radios and MOUS Compatible UHF Wideband Radios
- Data-X Buoys and Gnd Sensors
- Ground Terminal: One Per 2000 nm Theater
  - Spacecraft Cmd & Cntrl: Blossom Point, Maryland
  - Additional Coverage From AFSCN
  - Payload Tasking on SIPRNET VMOC

## Programmatic

- ONR Payload, Flt Ops, Test Bed Sponsor
- OFT Bus Sponsor – “Phase 3” Bus (aka Standard Bus)
- AFSPC, SMC-12 Provided Launch
  - Minotaur-IV
  - Launch Targeting October of 2008
- NRL Program Manager
- STRATCOM to Assign Lead COCOMs as Experiments and Exercises Mature
- Multi-Service Participation
Wearing Two Hats

TACSAT-4 Mission
• Deliverables
  – Integrated and fully tested space vehicle
  – Built to meet specific mission
  – Launch in ’09 (TBR)
• Space Wire Implementation
  – Not needed for primary mission; is secondary payload
  – Only added to validate “standard high-speed interface”
  – Is not a native spacewire device.
    • Is 422 converted to spacewire
    • Very low bandwidth requirement
    • Very simple network (point to point)
• Constraints
  – Low cost, short development time
  – High risk mission
  – Bus is a “standard bus”

ORS Phase III “Standard bus”
• Deliverables
  – ORS documents
  • Build guidelines for ORS Standard bus
  • Focus on bus to payload interface
    – Four connections:
      » High-speed data
      » Low-speed data
      » Power
      » Deployments
  – Bus built to ORS documents
• Spacewire implementation
  – ORS docs require use of “industry standard interfaces”
  – Spacewire not specifically called out
  – Trade study identified Spacewire as best choice for high speed data interface
• Constraints
  – ORS docs
Operationally Responsive Space (ORS) Requirements for Spacewire Connectors

• Suitable for Space Applications

• Signal Integrity and Impedance control
  – Ability to reliably support Spacewire

• Availability
  – Should be fairly widely available

• Cost
  – Should not be exorbitantly expensive

• Suitable for Depot Operations
  – Quick, reliable connection
  – Usable by minimally trained personnel
  – No torque requirements
  – No need for tools

• Etc.
  – etc.
## Connectors Considered

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TACSAT-4 Spacewire Implementation Notes

- Spacewire “driver” is Payload Data Handler designed by Greg Clifford, of SEI
  - Partial heritage to SECCHI design
  - Details available from Greg Clifford (gclifford@silvereng.com) or via ORS Phase III Bus CDR material
- Spacewire “receiver” is CEASE (TBR)
  - Details TBR
  - Spacewire experiment is a Payload distinct from comm-x
  - Spacewire experiment is (what)?
    - Anticipated operating speed?
    - Driver
    - SPWr heritage?
    - Who owns this space wire experiment?
    - Who tests it?
    - Who builds the flight cable?
    - Who integrates it into TS4 payload?

- Baseline Interconnect configuration:
  - Series 38999 13-pos Circular connector:
    - D38999/46FB35PN (on bus) & D38999/40FB35SN (payload cable)
    - 22 ga contact.
    - 4-8wk lead time to get exact connector
  - Our harness group will build the spacewire cable assemblies using 26GA TSP Tufflite TL med wall pairs.
  - 3 segment cable (as above) with a total length < 6m
    - CDE to interface panel
    - I/F panel to intermediate payload panel
      - payload intermediate i/f also a 38999 series 4
    - Intermediate payload panel to payload Spwr load.

- One path from CDE to Payload (as noted above)
- One path from CDE to EGSE (debug port)
  - Two segment in ambient testing
  - Three segment in TVAC
TACSAT-4 Spacewire bus to payload wiring

ORSA Phase 3 bus

Comm-x payload
Tacsat-4 /NRL’s SpaceWire Testing

(starting position)

• NRL will perform testing to evaluate the deviation from Spacewire specifications
• Tests will be baselined against an intact COTS 3m cable
• Testing includes:
  – compare v. baseline
  – Differential Impedance
    • Via TDR
  – Eye Patterns
    • O’scope
  – Bit Error Rate Measurement
    • <10**-7 BER for success

• For operational tests (eye and BERT) testing will be done with the existing SpaceWire PMC card
  – In loopback mode
• Test cables will be hand fabricated by NRL’s harness group.
  – Using a connector similar—not exactly- to flight
  – Max length per spec (10m, total)
  – Recommend flight follows pinout, length and twisting defined by this study.
• Test will be performed at 3 speeds
  – designed bus speed
  – 2x designed bus speed
  – To failure or 200Mbit which ever comes first.
• All O’scope probing will be done on a Tex TDS644A with a Tex P6246 400MHz diff probe.
  – Input Capacitance <1pF
  – Input resistance ~200kOhms
• TDR Testing will be done on a Tektronix DSA8200 with a 80E04 differential TDR head
  – Impedance correction done in Iconnect (80SICMX)
• Additional testing of the cabling will achieved during normal SV qualification
  – Shock, vibe, TVAC, etc. during SV environmental
  – Details of testing in backup slides
Tacsat-4 /NRL’s SpaceWire Testing  
(To date)

- Tests were base lined against an intact COTS 3m cable
- Testing includes:
  - compare v. baseline
  - Differential Impedance
    - Via TDR
    - Limited O’scope traces
    - Data rate tests
- Data rate testing done with the StarDundee SpaceWire/USB brick
  - In loopback mode (with and without test board inline)
- Test cables were hand fabricated by NRL’s harness group.
  - Using a connector similar –not exactly- to flight
    - Flight = D38999/40FB35PN (on bus) & D38999/40FB35SN (payload cable) (TBR)
    - Test = MB929T10F35P (on bus) & JTPQ00RE-1035S (payload cable)
  - Only two segments
  - Segment lengths were randomly chosen (~2m, total)
  - Pinout chosen by graphically using “ORS Spacewire Connector (10-35P) conductor configuration” slide in this presentation
    - Attempted to make conductor configuration for each pair as uniform as possible
    - Attempted to align H fields
- Test was performed at max speed for driver (61MHz)
- All O’scope probing was done on a Tex TDS644A with a Tex P6246 400MHz diff probe.
  - Input Capacitance <1pF
  - Input resistance ~200kOhms
- TDR Testing was done on a Tektronix DSA8200 with a 80E04 differential TDR head
  - Impedance correction done in Iconnect (80SICMX)
- A spacewire test board (test fixture) was fabricated to facilitate easier testing
- No BERT testing, no test completed with PDH or PMC card
Test Cable Images

Test cable (configuration #1), test board

38999-series connector in test cable

Baseline Cable

Test cable #1 build detail close-up
Test Cable (W1, W2) detail

Low impedance bond from outer braid to connector shell

Payload

μD9P

BUS

Cable is:
4@26GA TSP
M27500-26 RC 2 S 06

Inner shields are isolated from one another.
Inner shields around Sout and Dout pairs are connected together and to pin 8 of connector.
Comparison between flight and test cabling
(initial plan)

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| 4x (26 GA TSP) | |
| Type | |
| Manufacturer | |
| PN | |
| Z_diff* | |
| Number of connectors | |
| Number of segments | |
| Total length | |
| Individual components | |
| Driver | |
| Driver rise time | |

* - Calculated per Johnson and Graham "High-Speed Digital Design: A Handbook of Black Magic," Appendix C (Z_diff = 2*Z_coax || Z_twpr)
Comparison between Standard bus baseline cable design and Spacewire standard: the big four

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<td>80Ω (calc), -&gt;WORSE</td>
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<td>-&gt; expect same or BETTER</td>
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<td>Same dielectric, bigger conductor, shorter length</td>
<td>Delay (skew)</td>
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<td>-&gt; expect same or BETTER</td>
<td>+/- 0.1ns/m max</td>
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<td>Better shield coverage</td>
<td>Cross-talk</td>
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<td>-&gt; expect same or BETTER</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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| Conductor 38 AWG (7 x 36 AWG) |
| Insulating layer |
| Filler |
| Twisted pair |
| Inner shield around twisted pair (40 AWG) |
| Jacket |
| Filler |
| Binder |
| Outer shield (38 AWG) |
| Outer jacket |
Preliminary Cable Testing Results

• Traces at right
  – taken with Tek DSA8200 series TDR
  – using spacewire test board
  – are differential (Din+ / Din-)
  – Images
    • Upper is standard spacewire cable
    • Lower is test cable with 38999 circular connector

• Preliminary Conclusions
  – Test Cable has wrong impedance 80 vice 100
  – Connector shows promise at ~100Ω
  – Test cable has more consistent impedance than purchased cable
• Conclusions
  – Cable is wrong impedance 80Ω vs. 100Ω
    • Our cable configuration needs to be reviewed as well
      – Now we’re deviating from spec with cable impedance as well as connector
    – We got here because no-one did the math on the impedance of our cable solution
  – Another test cable was made to get 100Ω diff impedance (26GA TP kapton (150)
    • Cable unsuitable for flight use, data to follow
  – Curiously, Impedance seems to match a simple formula, shown on next slide.
    – Reference cable is broken…see the impedance discontinuity at the near end (prev slid shows it better)

• Issues/Concerns
  – We have no cable solution (for TS-4) that is 100Ω differential impedance
  – Discovered wire size mismatch with uD9 wire building test cables:
    • uD9 max wire = 28GA
    • 38999 min wire size = 26GA
    • This mismatch was with one specific solder cup connector selected for testing, the other two are ok for up to 24GA
Quick Formulas for Impedance Calculations

- One of the lessons learned from this testing was a simple formula for calculating differential impedance.
- The above spreadsheet has been surprisingly accurate in predicting differential impedance when compared to TDR results.
- Formulas are from Johnson and Graham Appendix c, pg 428-429 and 424-425.
- They are combined using the logic at right:
  - For \( Z_{COAX}() \), assume one conductor is at the center of the overall shield.
  - \( Z_{diff} = (2*Z_{coax}) \parallel Z_{tp} \).
Testing Results (‘scope)

• Conclusions
  – Both cables run at 61MHz with the spacewire brick in loopback mode
    • Adding/removing the test board doesn’t affect link speed
  – Scope traces look almost identical

• Issues/Concerns
  – The impedance mismatch should have caused a reflection, where is it?
  – Non-monotonic leading edge (in circle)
    • Is on both traces, so is probably from the test set-up
  – These traces were captured with a 500MHz scope using 400MHz probes…doubtful that was enough bandwidth.

• Recommendations
  – Do a bounce diagram on the system:
    • Ref cable with and without test board
    • Test cable
    • TS-4 Flight config
    • SECCHI config
Bounce Diagrams (Spacewire and SECCHI TVAC)

Standard Spacewire

100Ω Source

One signal, no reflections, nice and clean

100Ω Cable

100Ω Load

Distance

Time

SECCHI TVAC cable config

100Ω Source

100Ω Cable

~100Ω TVAC connector

80Ω Cable

100Ω Load

\( \Gamma = 0 \)

\( \Gamma = 0 \)

\( \Gamma = -1/9 \) (r)

\( \Gamma = +/-1/9 \)

\( \Gamma = 1/9 \)
Bounce Diagrams (TS-4 Test and flight configuration)

ORS Spacewire TDR test cable config

Note that we're starting with <90% of our signal now.

Additional discontinuities, cause more reflections, getting bad

100Ω Source

80Ω Cable

~100Ω Bulkhead connector

80Ω Cable

100Ω Load

\( \Gamma = +/-1/9 \)

ORS Spacewire flight cable config

Even more discontinuities, getting out of hand

100Ω Source

80Ω Cable

~100Ω Bulkhead connector

80Ω Cable

~100Ω Bulkhead connector

80Ω Cable

100Ω Load

\( \Gamma = +/-1/9 \)
Conclusions

- Connector looks better than our cable
  - Its impedance is in the ballpark of 100Ω
  - Less of an impedance perturbation that the uD9
  - Doesn’t appear to contribute to skew (TDR results)

Issues/Concerns

- The connector doesn’t appear to be symmetrical?!?!
  - W2 images show more impedance variation than W1 images

Recommendations

- Connector shows promise, if a 26GA cable is added to space-wire standard, this could be an acceptable alternative
Asymmetrical Connector Impedance?

- Drawings on right show that there is no difference in conductor geometry for the Sin pair when viewed at W1 to that when viewed at W2.
- Yet the scope traces above vary significantly depending on which end of the cable the TDR is taken from.
- This difference in scope traces remains regardless of which pair is viewed.
  - Din varies significantly when viewed from W1 as opposed to W2.
  - Din at W2 varies from Sin at W2.
  - Yet Din and Sin at W2 look very similar.
- Doesn’t appear to be a workmanship issue.
  - Traces taken on the all pairs show same asymmetry.
  - As do traces taken on a completely different cable (kapton version).
- Scope traces above clearly show a difference, why?
- Only differences appear to be:
  - that traces taken @W2 go from pin to socket and traces @W1 go from socket to pin.
  - Material on socket side of 38999 looks different that material on pin side.
  - Do they have different $\varepsilon_r$?
Testing Results (Cable #2)

• Conclusions
  – 100Ω isn’t 100Ω.
    • Kapton solution has very poor scope traces
  – TP solution is not a consistent impedance
  – 80Ω TSP scope traces look better
  – (not shown) 38999 connector impedance looks slightly better
    • 125Ω max impedance versus 150Ω.
  – Surprisingly, this cable ran at 61Mb/s as well

• Issues/Concerns
  – Is the poor edge caused by the increased inductance (relative increase) resulting from lowering c?

• Recommendations
  – Some day, it would be nice to run a spice model on this. Till then, stay away from this configuration
  – For the lessons learned, remember that adding/removing shield messed with the impedance of a cable.
  – Find a 100Ω TSP solution and rerun these tests to check out the connector
TACSAT-4 Spacewire Interconnect Design (Current Status)

- We have a connector AND a cable issue
- Current plan is to look into other options:
  - The JWST solution is attractive because:
    - The significant engineering and evaluation effort put forth so far
    - The ability to purchase (somewhat) off the shelf cables and connectors. In the future, ORS busses will be built to standards, so it is attractive to call out the spacewire interface cable as a XXX part number.
  - Possible hybrid solutions exist:
    - Purchase Gore 26GA Spacewire assembly and modify in house
    - Still use 38999s
    - Purchase 26GA TSP (GOR-TEX) wire and build cable here
  - Cost is deciding factor (to a point)
- Collect input from Spacewire working group
  - Other options?
  - Impact assessment of 80Ω cable and/or 38999s
  - Suggested further testing
    - Tests, Test equipment, and test Jigs
  - Mitigation strategies
- Fallback plan
  - Use 80 Ω cable with 38999s
  - Delete one or more of the bulkhead connectors
  - Delete all bulkheads and go back to a standard spacewire cable
- Important to know that a Spacewire 38999 will be on TACSAT-4 regardless of this study
  - S/C Controller to EGSE mates to bus with a 38999.
Backup slides
References

ORS Spacewire Connector (10-35P) conductor configuration

P1 to P3 (@W1)
rear of J2, front of P2

P3 to P1 (@W2)
rear of P2, front of J2
ORS BUS Generic Component Testing Flow

- All Temp Cycles Are Run at Predicted Box Baseplate Temperature Extremes +/-10 Deg C
- Ambient Is 20-25 Deg C
- 9 ATP Temperature Cycles
- 2 Hour Dwells at Extremes
- Minimum of 200 Hours ATP Test Time
- Final 50 Hours Failure Free
- Static Loads Qualification by Analysis or by Sine Burst Testing

* TVAC for Battery & Transponder
Space Vehicle Testing

System Level Structural Verification

- Random Vibration Test Levels, 1 min. Duration
  
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<td>Overall</td>
<td>0.96 grms</td>
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- Acceleration Response Limiting Allowed for Random Vibration
  Acceleration Responses Not to Exceed Coupled Loads
  Responses

- Acoustic Test: Test Level: Overall SPL 139.2 dB
  Test Duration: One Minute

- Shock Test: Two Clamp Band Firings
  Two Solar Array Releases (Pop and Catch)
## Test Levels and Durations

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<td><strong>Acoustic</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Thermal Vacuum</strong></td>
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Random Vibration Spectrum

TacSat 4 Space Vehicle Level Random Vibration Spectrum
(To be Used in Conjunction With an Acoustic Test)

Workmanship SV Level

0.96 Grms

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Apply in 3 Orthogonal Axes
One Minute per Axis
Acoustic Environment

Protoflight Acoustic Test Spectrum (Minotaur IV)

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Pressure Environment

Pressure History During Ascent
Maximum Decay Rate = .6 PSI / Second
Bus Integration and Test
Definition of Test Terms Continued
Mechanical Test Terminology

– Modal Testing
  • Characterize system’s modal response relative to a reference response

– Loads Testing/Qualification (Not shown in test flow)
  • By Analysis With No Test Factors of Safety, or
  • Static or Quasi-Static Test at 1.25 x Design Limit Loads for the Bus

– Vibration and Acoustic Testing
  • Acceptance Test Levels = Expected Flight Environment for 1 Minute
  • Protoflight Test Levels = Flight +3 dB for 1 Minute
  • Qualification Test Levels = Flight +6 dB for 1 Minute

– PyroShock and Separation Testing
  • Twice on Flight Spacecraft
  • Light Band

– Thermal
  • Acceptance Test Range = 5 Deg C Above and Below Design Range
  • Protoflight Test Range = 10 Deg C Above and Below Design Range
  • Qualification Test Range = 15 Deg C Above and Below Design Range
ORS Bus Integration and Test
Definition of Test Terms Continued

Electrical Test Terminology

- **Health Test**:  
  - Test Port only, most flight like configuration  
  - Typically performed at one voltage  
  - Performed with the ELSE  
  - Open loop testing

- **System Functional**:  
  - Performed with EAGE  
  - Typically performed at one voltage,  
  - Partly closed loop, for ACS test cases.  
  - No RF testing

- **Comprehensive Performance Test (CPT)**:  
  - Equivalent to System Functional  
  - Performed at 3 different voltages.  
  - Scripts may exercise components further than System Functional Tests  
  - Includes open loop testing e.g. RF, EPS, TCS, mechanisms, and payload sim telemetry

- **Day in the life test**:  
  - Performed with EAGE  
  - Typically performed at predicted beginning of life voltage  
  - Testing script reflects expected orbital environments  
  - System is exercised and reacts as it would be on orbit for a given orbital day