

Generic Payload Data Handling System functions and modules - PADAPAR -

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General presentation

- Define a generic architecture for future payloads:
 - matching mid-term needs
 - optimizing the development process through standard building blocks definition
 - Taking into account the ESA harmonisation dossier on payload data processing systems.
- Activities:
 - Survey of Payload Data Processing state-of the art and technology trends
 - Future needs estimation and trend analysis
 - Specification and Architecture
 - Demonstration platform definition
 - Development, Integration and Validation

Functional architecture analysis

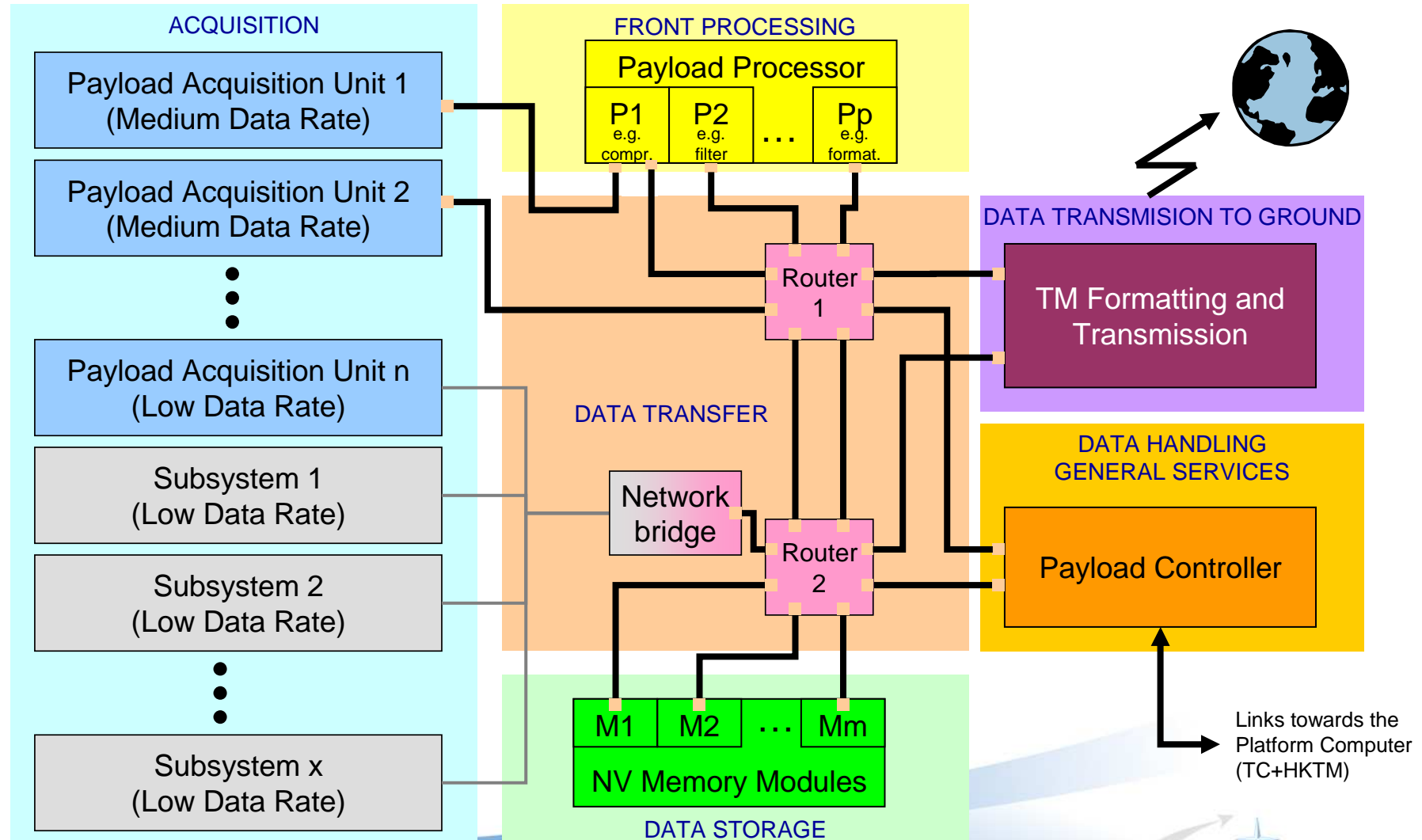
- Survey of recent and current payload architectures
 - GOCE, SMOS, PLEIADES, METOP, ROCSAT2/THEOS, AEOLUS, TerraSAR-X, Cryosat, SWARM, SPIRALE
 - Venus Express, Rosetta, LISA Pathfinder
 - Inmarsat, ANIK F1R
 - LOLA
- Projection of future needs
 - Proba-2, EarthCare, ExoMars Orbiter, BepiColombo, MSR Orbiter, Solar Orbiter, A3SYSDEF (Study for generic Avionics System Architecture in the frame of the AURORA programme for Mars Exploration)
- Definition of a list of standard building blocks and a reference architecture.

PADAPAR Building blocks

- **ACQUISITION**
 - Includes all analog functions which allow to acquire the analogue signal coming from the detector and convert it to digital.
- **FRONT PROCESSING**
 - Includes all processing functions used on the different payloads taken into account.
- **DATA STORAGE**
 - Includes all functions associated with the long term storage capacity of the payload.
- **DATA TRANSFER**
 - Includes all functions dedicated to the data transfer between the different modules & equipment.
- **DATA TRANSMISSION TO GROUND**
 - Includes all functions dedicated to the data transmission to the ground.
- **DATA HANDLING GENERAL SERVICES**
 - Includes all additional functions necessary to get underway the payloads.

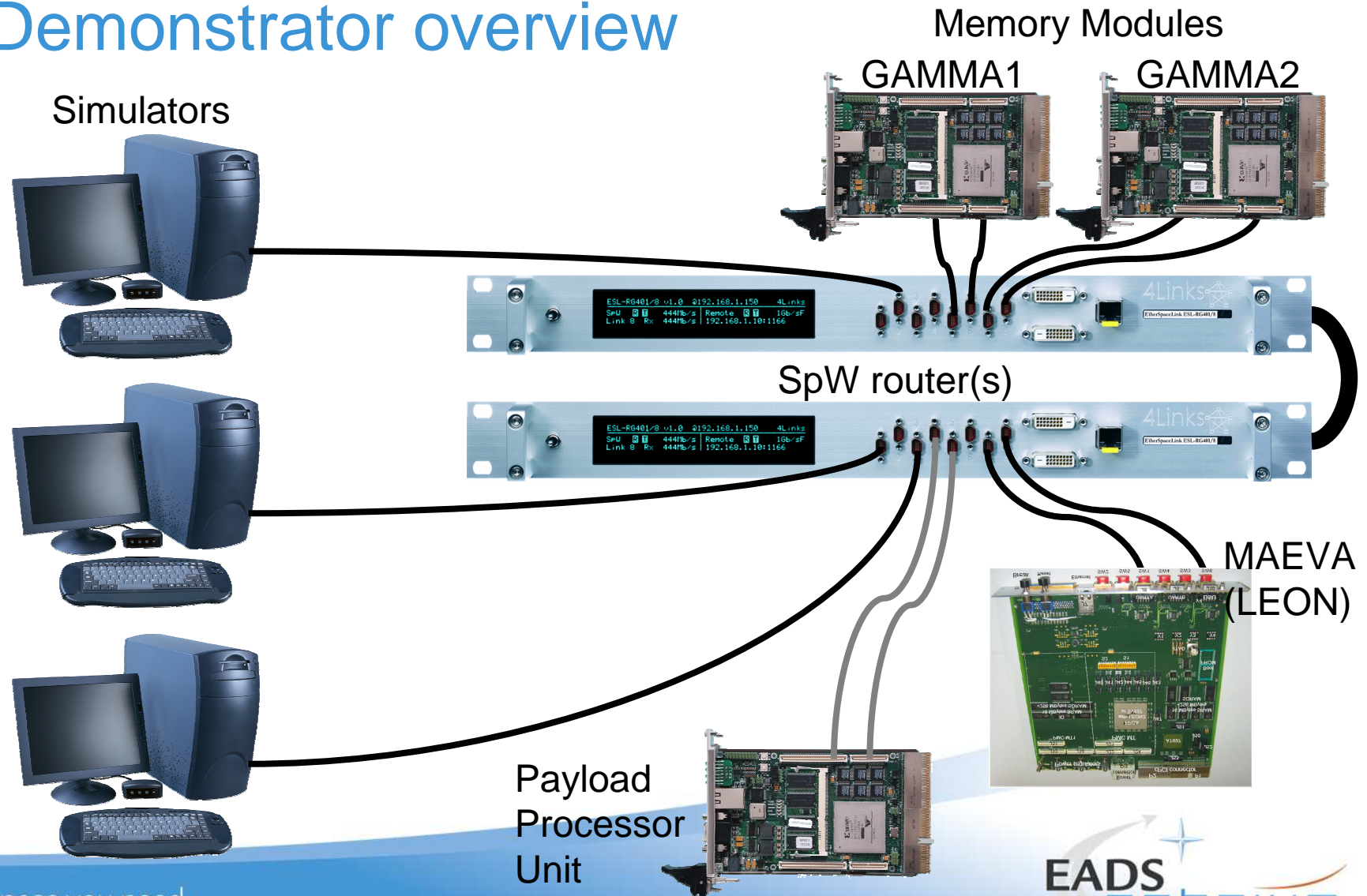
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Functional architecture mapping



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Demonstrator overview



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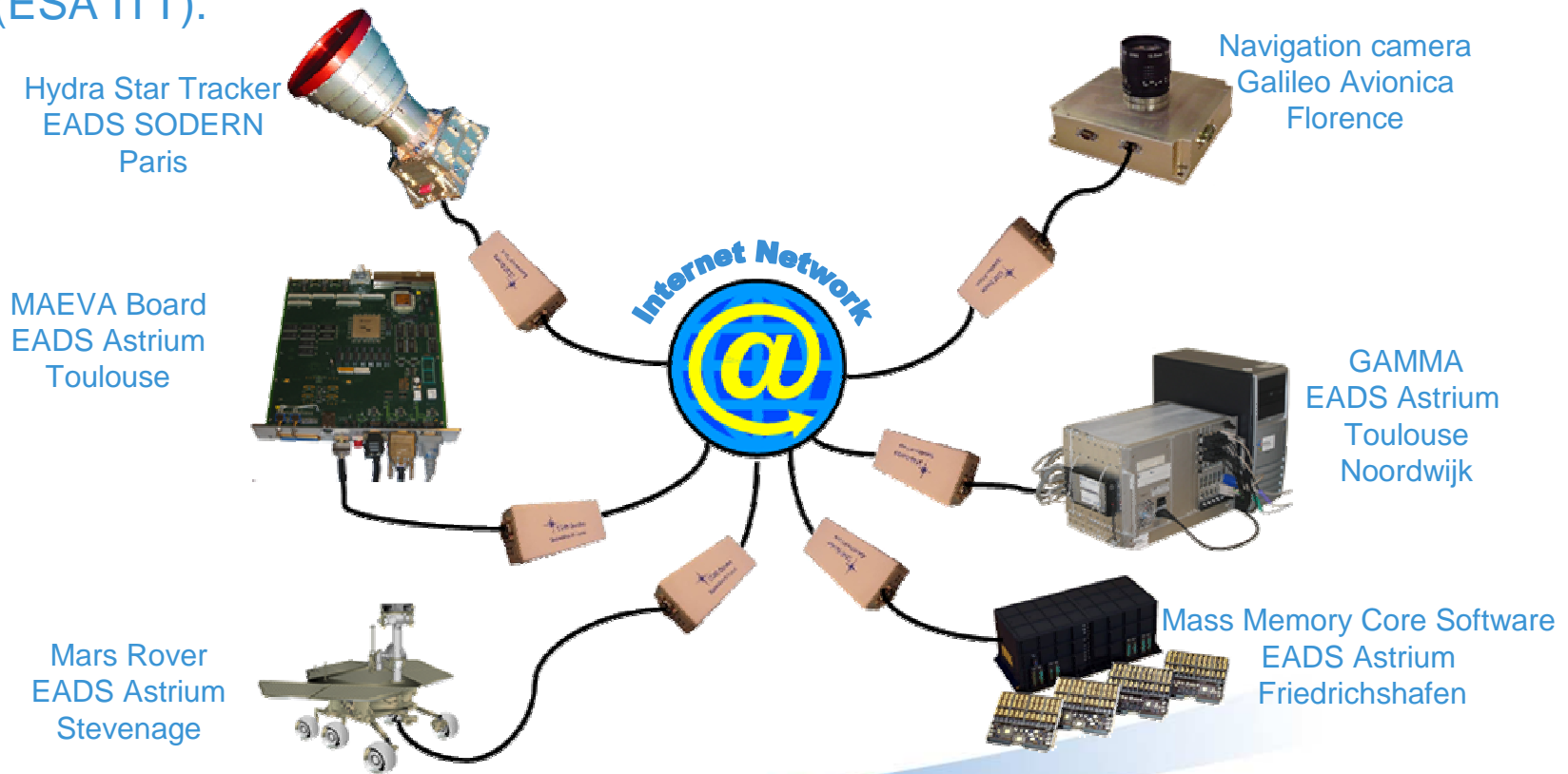


Demonstration plan

- SpaceWire Characterisation
 - Verification and initial performance characterisation
 - Influence of network topology
- Use case image processing
 - Definition of realistic traffic scenarios
- Use case mass memory access
 - Future development of Flash based Mass Memory File system (fast prototyping).
 - Support to fast prototyping
- Use case Payload Data Handling
 - Data management for payloads on-board applications (concurrent accesses)
 - Command/Control of payload applications
- Overall Integration
 - Execution of applications using different profiles.

TopNet Pilot Operation Implementation

- Use of SpaceWire on Ethernet for early functional integration is foreseen (ESA ITT).



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Conclusion

- PADAPAR provides technical assessment for the consolidation of the ESA harmonisation dossier on payload data processing systems.
- PADAPAR provides support for fast prototyping and evaluation of payload data processing modular systems with:
 - New mass memory devices (e.g. GAMMA)
 - New Payload controllers (e.g. Leon based using Maeva)
 - New Payload processors (e.g. MDPA, AGGA-3, ...)
 - New SpaceWire router (SPROUT)
 - To target next missions:
 - BepiColombo
 - Sentinel
 - SoIO
 - Aurora

Benefits of the architecture

- Scalable architecture that easily support add of modules.
- Support a step by step development process starting with applications running on simulator, ported on FPGA and integrated using EM.
- Uncoupled development and functional integration of modules eased by use of a decentralized approach (TopNet).
- Representative modules (simulators, Leon boards) support fast prototyping with relevant performance measurements.
- Space qualified Hardware components under development.