

# SPACE-RATED ELECTRONICS

Motor Drives & Controls



- Motor power stages
- Digital controllers
- Control of current, velocity, and position
- Support of position feedback devices
- Support of host command interfaces
- Customized software applications
- Full In-house design, analysis, test and qualification by MACCON

MCDE: 2-channel Motor Controller

MACCON supplies motor power and control electronics for space programs. These are designed and built to customer specification. However all new designs are based on established technology, which has been successfully implemented on previous space programs – see features and examples below.

### Engineering Design & Qualification Services

- Circuit design services
- Mechanical housing design
- Software and firmware design
- FPGA design
- Servo-system analysis & simulation
- Design analyses:
  - Reliability incl. parts count, parts stress, and FMEA
  - Interface
  - Mechanical
  - Thermal.
- In-house qualification:
  - Temperature and vacuum
  - Shock and vibration
  - EMC etc.

### Important characteristics

- Design and manufacture to ESA standards
- Extensive control and interface functions possible
- Designs to minimize mass and energy requirements
- Redundancy by duplication of motor, feedback, control and power channels
- Operating voltages typically 3.3 to 28 V









LCT - FPA/PAA Controller

Electronics and motor for BIOLAB

LCT – CPA-Controller

# BIOLAB Centrifuge Control

This unit drives a centrifuge motor, which is used to simulate micro-gravity (<1g) on the Columbus and ISS space stations. This system is used for scientific research into the properties of materials and physical processes under conditions of low gravity; only in space can these conditions be maintained over a long period.

Features:

- Drive stage
- Control
- Operating voltage
- Peak current
- Linear output stages
- Digital command •
- Velocity feedback •
- Encoder feedback
- Supplies •

for DC torque motor current and velocity 24 V DC 2 A with high bandwidth current control analog, +/-10V DC tachometer SSI (for monitoring purposes) +24V, +5V

# Motor Control & Drive Electronics Box (MCDE)

The MCDE drives the scanner motor of the Microwave-humidity sounder (MHS). This highperformance digital and analog motor controller provides many control and monitoring features.

The MHS is a multi-channel microwave radiometer operating in the 89 to 190 GHz band, providing information on atmospheric water vapor. MHS flies on the Chinese FY-3A polar orbit mission.

Features:

- Drive stages
- Control
- Scan cycle •
- Operating voltage
- Peak phase current •
- Linear output stages
- Digital command •
- Radiation •
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- Supplies

for 3 phase PMDC-brushless motor, two-channel current, velocity and position,

with high bandwidth current control, redundant

16 Bit/rev. SSI serial transmission, redundant

SpaceWire (serial data link), redundant

autonomous scan trajectory generation

- 2.7 secs.
- 27 V DC
- 2 A

- Encoder feedback •
- Mass
- < 650 a +27 V, +12 V, +5 V, redundant

> 20 k/rad