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Simplicity and Application simplicity in FitRel R&D

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01. About CTEC

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1.0 Basic Info. of CTEC ゆ に 核 の CGN ば HollySys い で 校 の CGN Nuclear Power China Techenergy Co., Ltd

Established in December 2005

Share: CNPEC (60%) & Hollysys(40%)

Staff Number: 859 (until March 2015)

1.1 Qualifications

2014	TUV ISTec Certificate	TÜV ISTec
2013	1E DCS Panel & Screen Design/Manufacture License NRC Certification Preliminary Evaluation Safety Integrity Level 3 Certificate V&V Assessment Certificate by ISTec	<mark>SIL3</mark> ISTec
2011	V&V Evaluation by TÜV Capability Maturity Model Integration Level 4 EDF Supplier Qualification License on Power and I&C Industry	TÜV CMMI L4
2010	Civil Nuclear Safety Electrical Equipment Design/Manufacture License ISO14001 Certificate OHSAS18001 Certificate	ISO14001 OHSAS18001
2009	Corporate Standard	Q/GLHJ
2008	Capability Maturity Model Integration Level 3	CMMI L3
2006	ISO9001 Certificate	ISO9001







1.2 Solution and Platform

Overall Solution of I&C NPP



1.3 FirmSys application

Upgraded CCMS for Daya Bay NPP put into operation on Nov 19th, 2013



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1.4 FirmSys application

Process Monitoring Control System put into operation on Aug 30th, 2013



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1.5 FirmSys application

HTR-PM RPS Prototype developed since 2009



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1.6 YJ unit 5





02. FitRel Platform

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2.0 FitRel platform overview



FitRel : Fit and Reliability.



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2.1 FitRel Platform market position

1. DAS

FPGA have sufficient diversity to Processor-based Platform.

2. RPS(large scale reactor)

Processor + FPGA.
e.g. RTS with FPGA and ESFAC with Processor.
e.g. 2 channels with FPGA and 2 channels with Processor.
e.g. station-A with FPGA and station-B with Processor for a parallel redundant station.

3. RPS(small scale reactor)







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2.2 Component



2.3 Application case

YJ5/6 DAS

- -- 2 of 2 architecture to have enough ability of anti-malfunction.
- -- Unit 5 in FT stage.
- -- 5 cabinets fulfill the function of DAC.





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03. Simplicity in FitRel Platform R&D

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3.0 Why simplicity?



Decrease the workload of R&D and qualifation Decrease the workload of V&V

Safety

3.1 Simplicity in hardware design

1. Reduce the failure rate

The truth is that hardware design is more complicated to gain the high level DC. It is unnecessary to reserve to much hardware resource.

e.g.



Simplicity hardware design can also:

- **n** reduce the power consumption,
- **n** reduce the spare of PCB,
- **and easier replacement in case of obsolescence.**

FPGA

3.2 Simplicity in hardware and driver design

1. Reduce the complexity of driver

e.g. Ethernet physical layer and data link layer design. To fulfill the physical layer and data link layer function of Ethernet, you can use FPGA + MAC + PHY, and you also can use PFGA + PHY.



MAC chip afford whole function of data link layer, and you must configure all the register bit by bit, like the mode and the FIFO.

But the application function is just the customized data transceiver, the second design can simplify the scale of HLD code and decrease the complexity of V&V.

3.3 Simplicity in Algorithm block design

1. Not use IP core

IP core is black box. It is difficult to verify the safety by V&V team, and the IP core also take too much resource of FPGA.

e.g. the float_adder block, the customized algorithm takes 770 cells, and the IP takes 1557 cells.

	Cell usage:		
cell	count	area	count*area
A01	2	1.0	2.0
DFN1C0	54	1.0	54.0
DFN1E1	2	1.0	2.0
DFN1E1C0	33	1.0	33.0
GND	1	0.0	0.0
MX2	23	1.0	23.0
MX2A	1	1.0	1.0
MX2B	28	1.0	28.0
NOR2A	3	1.0	3.0
NOR2B	25	1.0	25.0
NOR3C	4	1.0	4.0
OA1B	1	1.0	1.0
OR2	2	1.0	2.0
OR2A	4	1.0	4.0
OR3	1	1.0	1.0
VCC	1	0.0	0.0
com_agb_26s	1	154.0	154.0
com_agb_6s	1	33.0	33.0
com_alb_26s	1	145.0	145.0
com_alb_6s	1	14.0	14.0
com_alb_8s	1	19.0	19.0
fix_2_float	1	657.0	657.0
float_2_fix	1	735.0	735.0
float_adder	1	1391.0	1391.0
float_multiplier	1	1557.0	1557.0
signed_multiplier_24s_13s_37s	s_36s_74s_	6	1 769.0



04. Application Simplicity

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Application simplicity 4.0

1. What is application simplicity ?

As an equipment supplier, we said that FPGA-based I&C platform have some advantages, we also need to analyse the requirements from our users, who integrate the system with platform(I&C engineer) and final users in the safety system life cycle.

-- they need a configurable platform. -- they need powerful tools in different life cycle.

These requirements are defined as application simplicity (which can also be called easy-to-use).



4.1 ancillary functions and tools

1. ancillary functions and tools

I&C platform needs to provide a number of so-called ancillary functions such as run-time monitoring and diagnostics (including the monitoring of sensors), which can increase the DC coverage and reduce the part of periodic testing, the time-to-repair, the risk of human errors that maybe injected in performing periodic tests.

Tools include security management, simulation, calibration,monitoring, testing etc. The operator or maintenance technician need to change the parameters such as setpoints, monitor the diagnose information, and run periodic testing in the defined interval.



4.2 Safety and application simplicity

1. Safety and application simplicity

Why should we pay more attention to the application simplicity ?

The complexity is decreased in the different stages of system safety life cycle.

The more function that tools fulfill, the less job saved by people, then the total complexity will be decreased, and the probability of malfunction injected by people is decreased.





05. Simplicity and Application Simplicity

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5.0 System complexity

1. System complexity

Both the simplicity and the application simplicity contribute to safety.



It is contradictory between simplicity and application simplicity. You can't have your cake and eat it too ?

5.1 Measures to practice

1. Function segregation

-- Draw lessons from the architecture of DCS and PLC (not explain below).

-- Segregate the safety function and ancillary function. An intrinsic difference between microprocessor-based and FPGA-based solutions is the parallel structure to segregate functions that are logically independent.

One of the advantages of FPGA technology is the ability to design system architectures of which ancillary functions (e.g., run-time monitoring of sensors and I&C functions) are segregated such that failures or anomalies in the processing of those functions will not impact the ability of the circuit to perform its safety I&C functions.

5.1 Measures to practice

2. Independence and constraint

-- independence between safety functions and ancillary functions.

The circuit design should segregate non-interacting functions as much as possible to minimize unnecessary interdependencies, reduce complexity, increase testability and verifiability, and contain the consequences of faults or failures (random or systematic).

-- constraint of place and route.

Care should be taken during synthesis and place & route to ensure that these do not create dependencies between functions meant to be segregated within the design. Post-implementation reviews and analyses should verify that no unnecessary dependencies have been created during implementation.

5.1 Measures to practice

3. Case of independence between safety functions and ancillary functions



5.2 Summary

Simplicity is finite, and application simplicity is infinite even for processer based I&C platform. Ordinary, it is difficult to balance the application simplicity and the complexity of system.





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