



CANopy: A VHDL implementation of CANopen Protocol for CAN Bus On Board Spacecraft IP Cores Workshop

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CAN in Space

- CAN Working Group Draft Recommendation
 - Higher Layer Protocol (CANopen based)
 - Physical Layer, Redundancy Architecture & Algorithm
- CAN Building blocks available
 - □ Transceivers, CAN Controllers ... What for the HLP?
- Why a VHDL implementation of CANopen?
- CANopen traditionally implemented in software
 - Good approach for terrestrial application
 - Mass production/Low-cost microcontrollers widely available/Simplifies system evolution
- For space, hardware-only implementation advantages
 - Availability of microcontrollers/processors is limited
 - Possibility of having CPU-less implementations
 - For use in simple remote terminals
 - Suitable for System-on-Chip solutions
 - Reduced complexity of the software in CPU-based nodes





CANopy interfaces



General I/O Interface

□ AMBA Interface

CAN Controller Interface



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CANopy architecture



Preliminary synthesis results

Version 1.3 synthesised using Synplify Pro for Actel FPGA RT54SX72S-1

- Object Dictionary of 32 objects
- SDO Server
- NMT State machine
- 2 TPDOs, no RPDOs implemented
- 5 messages Priority ordered output buffer
- HurriCANe CAN Controller integrated
- CANopy: 36%
- HurriCANe: 23%
- CANopy+HurriCANe: 59%

Version 1.4 including RPDOs and 60 objects in the object dictionary is currently under simulation tests





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