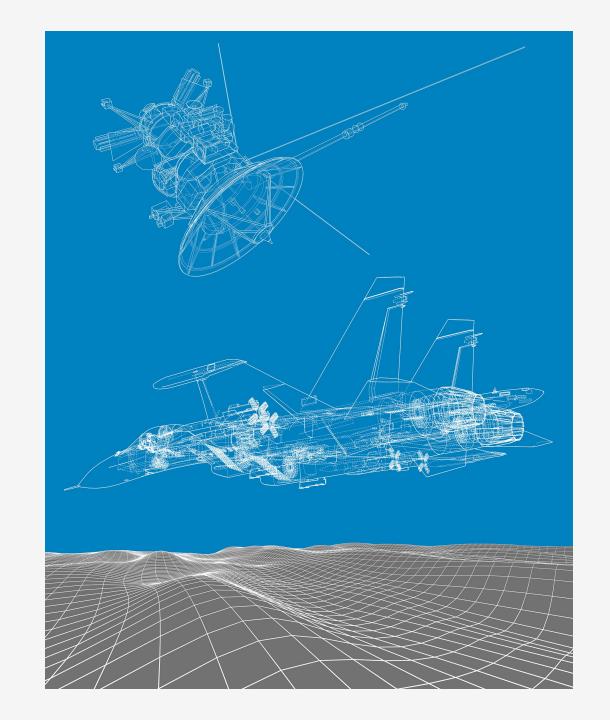


# VPX Power Regeneration Applications

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## About AirBorn

#### Our Power Pedigree

Designing & manufacturing interconnects put us on the map 6 decades ago, but we offer so much more. Our power system expertise is becoming widely used by OEMs in many DOD and industrial applications.

- 30+ Years of Power Design and Manufacturing
- Designs in Ground Vehicles and Aircraft (MIL & Commercial)
- Designs from 50W-300kW
- Vertically-integrated processes





Plugfest 2024/2025

## USAF Event to demonstrate MOSA principals New DOD Secretaries of Defense Reaffirm MOSA

- At the Plugfest event, there will be seven groups:
  - SBC & Switch Group
  - RF (SDR, Tuner) & PNT Group
  - GPU Group
  - Power Supply Group AirBorn
  - Chassis Management Group
  - Communications & Security Group
  - Small Form Factor Group





Problem: How to show high-power capability (2000W and more) with standard lab wall power

#### **TYPICAL 3U CHASSIS**

Power: 300W-800W



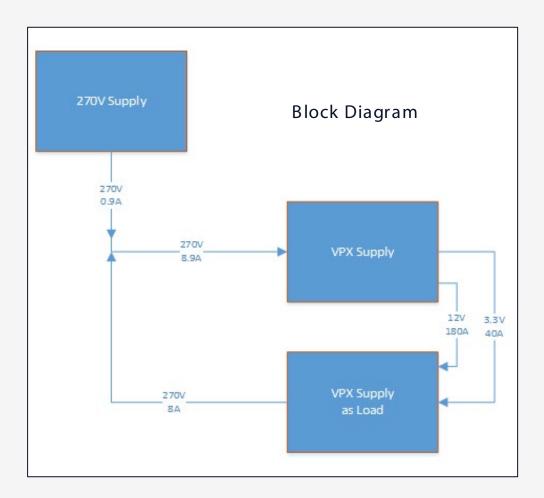
#### **TYPICAL 6U CHASSIS**

• Power: 2000W-6000W





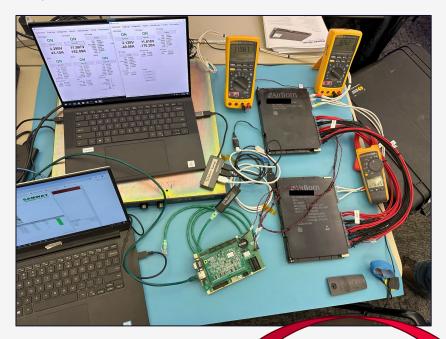
Solution: Regenerative Power







Theory: Full-Load Bench Demo



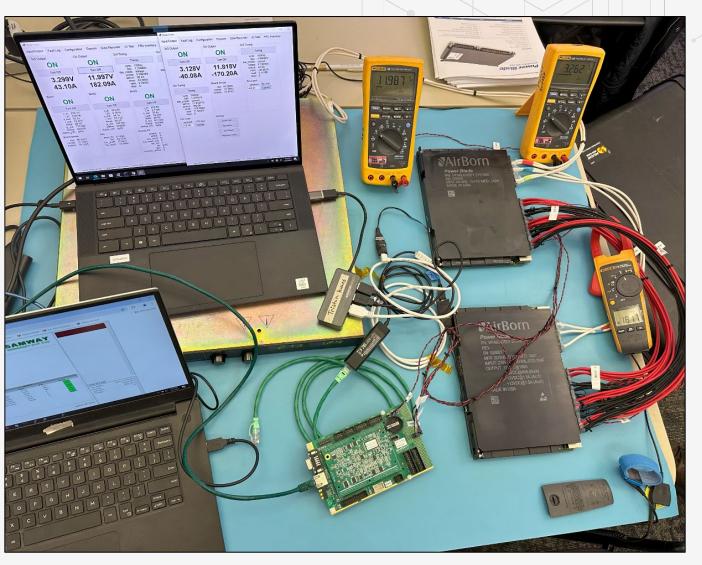






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## Regenerative Power

- Background
- Theory
- Application
- Results



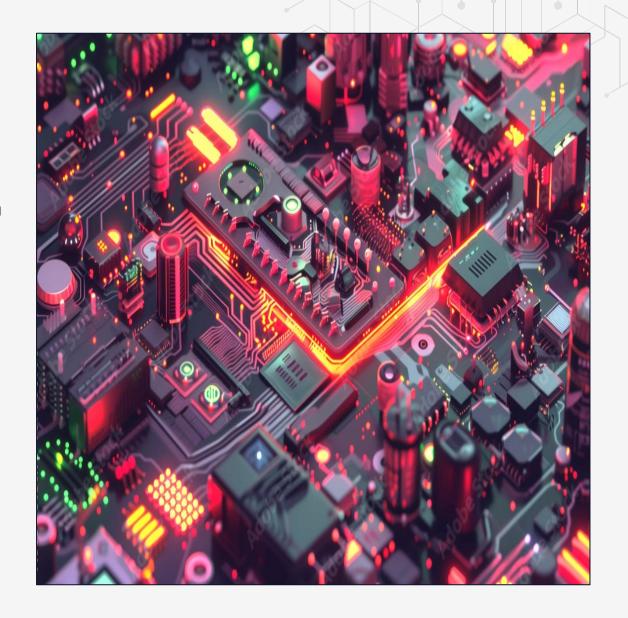




### Background

- Load testing of power supplies is used for performance measurement and verification
- Typically, an external load is used, or load cards in chassis with resistive loads
- Certain power supply designs may be able to be configured for reverse power flow to be used in place of a load

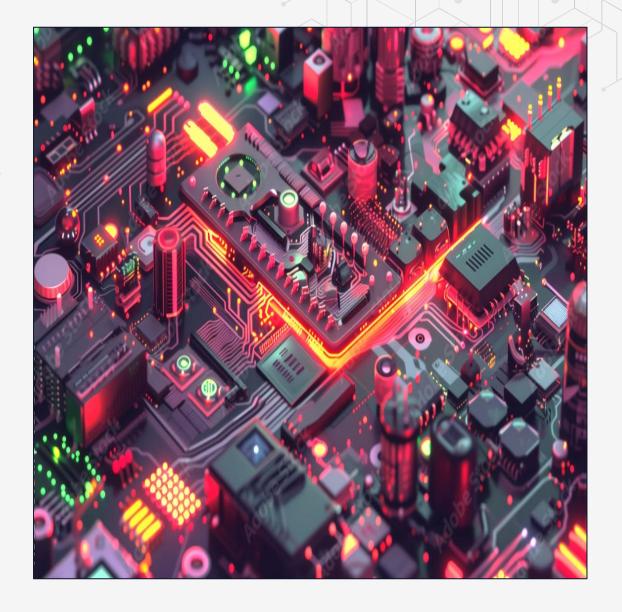






#### Theory

- Allows for an input power supply to be significantly smaller than the supply that would be required for supporting the actual load power
- Similar to load share mode, the 12V and 3.3V connections are voltage based with gradual adjustments on the voltage targets to achieve desired currents
- The same regulation software is used for current balancing in parallel operation as is used for achieving a desired load current. The difference in software is a negative current setpoint instead of a positive setpoint





#### Theory Continued

- Algorithm to dispatch power when in parallel operation may be used to regulate load power
- Power supplies may be configured for supply operation only, or as regenerative capable as part number options
- Supplies configured for supply operation only block reverse power flow independent of software operation







## Summary

#### Feature

- Full power can be developed with only input power making up the system losses
- Very low heat generated vs resistive load
- Lower cost than bulky external generative loads
- Does not require external power like a generative load
- 7 of the 2,300-Watt AirBorn VPX power supplies can be fully loaded from a 120V, 15A\* wall outlet

- Can fully test multiple power supplies with limited input current
- In a 2,300-Watt system, only ~240Watts are dissipated as heat
- Smaller manufacturing footprint and lower cost
- Does not require special facility power and cabling
- Multiple units can be run without any special infrastructure additions



Benefit

<sup>\*</sup>Derated to 12A for 80% continuous

## **VPX Power Supply**

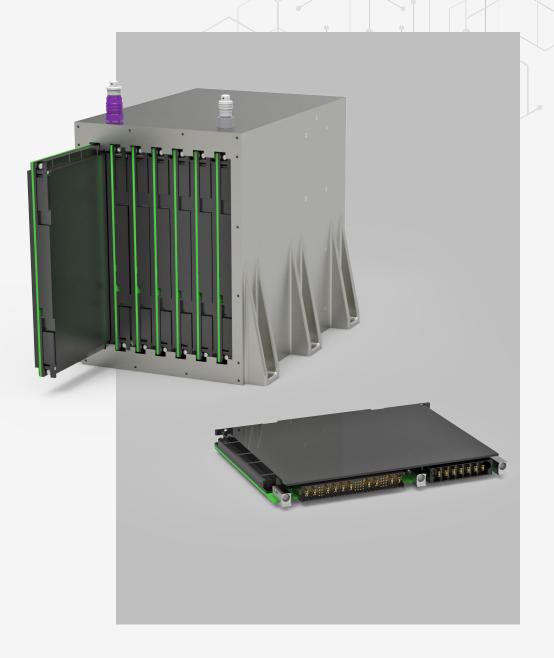
#### **Key Features**

#### Power

- 2000+ Watts output power
- (180 amps @ 12VDC)
- Most competing products are rated from 800-1400 Watts

#### Efficiency

- 95% with flat efficiency curve (produces less heat!)
- > 90% efficiency maintained from 20A to 180A loads
- Systems run cooler and last longer
- Most competing products are just 85-89% efficient
- In a class well above the rest!





One Product, Many Applications

#### **Function**

- DC in VPX out
- AC in VPX out
- DC in AC out
- VPX in DC out
- VPX in AC out

AC - single or 3 phase VPX - +12VDC & 3.3VDC

#### Environment

- Conduction cooled
- Liquid cooled
- Air cooled

#### **VITA Specification**

- ANSI/VITA 48.2
- ANSI/VITA 48.4
- ANSI/VITA 48.5; 48.7; 48.8; 48.9







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