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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Purpose

This Plan for Software Aspects of Certification (PSAC) defines the processes, procedures, methods and standards to be used and the lifecycle data to be produced in order to satisfy the objectives of DO-178C and any additional objectives required to satisfy the certification basis of the aircraft. Once approved, this PSAC represents an agreement between the applicant and the customer and/or certification authority.

#### 1.2 Scope

This plan will be used by the customer and/or certification authority to determine if the Software Lifecycle Process is commensurate with the rigor required for the level of software being developed. Once approved, it is implemented during the software lifecycle development. This Plan for Software Aspects of Certification complies with the documentation requirements of RTCA/DO-178C, Section 11.1.

#### 1.3 Definitions

Definition	Meaning
COTS IC	Any COTS digital or hybrid electronic device which does not execute software in a specific core. COTS ICs may be bus controllers, flip-flop, multiplexers, converters, memories The hardware functions implemented within these components may be simple or complex. (See also definition of SEH below).
COTS Graphical Processor	Any COTS microcontroller specifically designed for graphical applications. COTS graphical processors for airborne systems are required to have built in mitigation against Hazardous and Misleading information(HMI).
COTS Microcontroller	Any IC which executes software in a specific core area (Central Processing Unit) and implements peripheral hardware elements such as, for example, input/output (I/O), bus controllers Such a peripheral element may be considered simple (e.g. a UART, A/D, D/A) or complex (e.g. a bus controller). (See also definition of SEH below).
Highly complex COTS microcontroller	Any microcontroller where at least one of the statements below is true:
	- more than one Central Processing Unit (CPU) is embedded and they use the same bus (which is not strictly separated or which uses the same single port memory) - several complex interfaces are dependent on each other and exchange data - several internal busses are integrated and are used in a dynamic way (for example, a dynamic bus switch matrix)

Definition	Meaning
Integrated Circuit	A circuit (also IC, microcircuit, microchip, silicon chip, or chip) consisting of elements inseparably associated and formed insitu on or within a single substrate to perform an electronic circuit function. Among the most advanced integrated circuits are the microprocessors or "cores", digital memory chips, ASICS and bus controllers. Integrated circuits can be classified into analog, digital and hybrid signal:
	- Digital integrated circuits are typically microprocessors, DSPs, an micro controllers and work using binary mathematics to process "one" and "zero" signals.
	- Analog ICs, such as sensors, power management circuits, and operational amplifiers, work by processing continuous signals. They perform functions like amplification, active filtering, demodulation, mixing, etc.
	- Hybrid ICs can combine analog and digital circuits on a single chip to create functions such as A/D converters and D/A converters.
	Digital and Hybrids ICs include ASIC, COTS ICs, highly complex, COTS Microcontroller, Microprocessor, COTS Microcontroller, COTS Graphical Processor, PLD, CEH, SEH.
Microprocessor	A single Central Processing Unit which executes software and does not contain any additional integrated peripheral hardware element such as a UART, A/D, D/A, bus controller, Time Processing Unit, Memory Management Unit, watchdog, etc.

**Table 1-1 Definitions** 

# 1.4 Part Number and Nomenclature

Part Number	Nomenclature

**Table 1-2 Part Number and Nomenclature** 

# 1.5 Special Considerations Cross Reference

Software Consideration	Applicable	Addressed In Doc / Section
General Processor, DSP, etc.	Y/N	
COTS Graphical Processor (CGP)	Y/N	
Product Service History	Y/N	
Legacy System Software	Y/N	
Previously Developed Software	Y/N	
Field Loadable Software	Y/N	
Option-Selectable Software	Y/N	
User-Modifiable Software	Y/N	
Safety Monitoring Software	Y/N	
COTS Software	Y/N	
Public Domain Software	Y/N	
Parameter Data / Databases	Y/N	
Operating System	Y/N	
Compiler Provided Libraries	Y/N	
Board Support Package	Y/N	
Dead, Unreachable or Deactivated Code	Y/N	
DAL Justification	Y/N	
Derived / Safety Requirements	Y/N	
Robustness Requirements / Testing	Y/N	
Structural Coverage Analysis	Y/N	
Data and Control Coupling Analysis	Y/N	
Partitioning (Multi-DAL)	Y/N	
Exhaustive Input Testing	Y/N	
Development Tool Qualification	Y/N	
Verification Tool Qualification	Y/N	
Single Event Upset (SRAM)	Y/N	
Formal Methods	Y/N	
Model Based Development	Y/N	
Object Oriented Technology	Y/N	
Domestic / Off-Shore Supplier	Y/N	
International Cert (EASA, TCCA, etc.)	Y/N	
Open Problem Report Management	Y/N	
Issue Papers / Certification Review Items	Y/N	

# 1.6 Team Members and Signature Authority

Name	Title
Signature Auth	nority / PRB & CCB Members:
John Smith	Systems Engineer
John Smith	Software Lead
John Smith	Independent Verification Engineer
John Smith	Software Quality Engineer
John Smith	Certification Liaison DER (PRB & CCB Only)
Team Members	s:
John Smith	Systems Engineer
John Smith	Safety Engineer
John Smith	Software Design Engineer
John Smith	Configuration Management Specialist
John Smith	FAA Software Designated Engineering Representative
Peer Review M	lembers:
John Smith	Systems Engineer
John Smith	Software Engineer
John Smith	Safety Engineer (mandatory when derived requirements reviewed)
Transition Rev	iew Team:
John Smith	Project Engineer
John Smith	Certification Manager
John Smith	Software Quality Engineer (SQA Records)
John Smith	Systems Engineer
John Smith	Safety Engineer
John Smith	Independent Verification Engineer (V&V Records)
John Smith	Configuration Management Specialist (CM Records)

**Table 1-3 Team Members and Signature Authority** 

#### 1.6.1 Independent Reporting Structure

The following chart shows that the Quality Assurance Organization is independent from Engineering. It also demonstrates that the verification and test activities are performed independently by someone other than the development engineer.

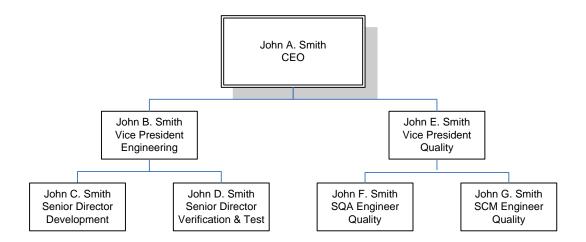


Figure 1-1 Organization Chart

#### 1.6.1.1 Software Quality Assurance Independence

SQA assesses the software life cycle processes and their outputs to obtain assurance that objectives are satisfied, deficiencies are detected, evaluated, tracked, and resolved, and software product and software life cycle data conform to certification requirements. The SQA role is an oversight role for the entire project. As such, SQA does not perform any of the development or verification activities. In addition, the SQA reporting structure is independent of Engineering, Test, Manufacturing, and Project Management.

# 1.6.1.2 Verification Independence of DO-178C Objectives

The following matrix shows the DO-178C objectives that will be satisfied with independence. In addition, the item being verified and the role of the individual performing the verification is also shown.

Table	Objective	Verification Activity	Item Being Verified	Interpretation
A-3(1) A-3(2)	Software high- level requirements comply with system requirements. High-level requirements are accurate	Reviews and Analyses of the High- Level Requirements	High-level requirements	The reviews and analyses of the high-level requirements will be performed by a person(s) other than the developer of the high-level requirements.
	and consistent.			
A-3(7)	Algorithms are accurate.			
A-4(1)	Low-level requirements comply with high-level requirements.	Reviews and Analyses of the Low- Level Requirements	Low-level requirements	The reviews and analyses of the low-level requirements will be performed by a person(s) other than
A-4(2)	Low-level requirements are accurate and consistent.			the developer of the low-level requirements.
A-4(7)	Algorithms are accurate.			
A-4(8)	Software architecture is compatible with high-level requirements.	Reviews and Analyses of the Software Architecture	Software architecture	The reviews and analyses of the software architecture will be performed by a person(s) other than
A-4(9)	Software architecture is consistent.			the developer of the software architecture.
A-4(13)	Software partitioning integrity is confirmed.			
A-5(1)	Source Code complies with low-level requirements.	Reviews and Analyses of the Source Code	Source Code	The reviews and analyses of the Source Code will be performed by a person(s) other than the developer of the Source Code.

Table	Objective	Verification Activity	Item Being Verified	Interpretation
A-5(2)	Source Code complies with software architecture.			
A-5(6)	Source Code is accurate and consistent.			
A-6(3)	Executable Object Code complies with low-level requirements.	Requirements -Based Testing	Executable Object Code	The person(s) who created a set of low-level requirements-based test cases should not be the same
A-6(4)	Executable Object Code is robust with low-level requirements.			person(s) who developed the associated Source Code from those low-level requirements. It follows that:
				1. The same person(s) could develop the low-level requirements and the Source Code, provided another person(s) develops the test cases from those low-level requirements, or
				2. The same person(s) could develop the low-level requirements and their associated test cases, provided another person(s) develops the Source Code.
A-7(1)	Test procedures and expected results are correct.	Reviews and Analyses of the Test Procedures	Test procedures	The reviews and analyses of the test procedures will be performed by a person(s) other than the developer of the test procedures.

Table	Objective	Verification Activity	Item Being Verified	Interpretation
A-7(2)	Test results are correct and discrepancies explained.	Reviews and Analyses of the Test Results	Test results	The reviews and analyses of the test results will be performed by a person(s) other than the person(s) who performed the tests.
A-7(3)	Test coverage of high-level requirements is achieved.	Requirements -Based Test Coverage Analysis	Test cases	The requirements-based test coverage analysis will be performed by a person(s) other than
A-7(4)	Test coverage of low-level requirements is achieved.			the developer of the test cases.
A-7(5)	Test coverage of software structure (modified condition/decision) is achieved.	Structural Coverage Analysis	Test cases, test procedures, and/or test results	The exact independence required depends on how the structural coverage analysis is carried out. For example, if the structural coverage
A-7(6)	Test coverage of software structure (decision coverage) is achieved.			analysis is performed on the test cases, then the structural coverage analysis will be performed by a person(s) other than
A-7(7)	Test coverage of software structure (statement coverage) is achieved.			the developer of the test cases. Similarly, if the structural coverage analysis is performed on the test procedures and test results, then the
A-7(8)	Test coverage of software structure (data coupling and control coupling) is achieved.			structural coverage analysis will be performed by a person(s) other than the developer of the test procedures and test results.

# 1.6.2 Signature Authority

"Signature Authority", as used herein, is a project-level approval authority that is composed of the following members at minimum:

• Project Manager

- Software Lead
- Independent Verification Engineer
- Software Quality Engineer

Other team members may be required to sign specific documents in addition to this core group, depending on the content of the document. For example, a Configuration Management Specialist is required to sign the Software Configuration Management Plan to acknowledge acceptance of the CM processes defined therein.

# 1.7 Organizational Responsibilities

Project Role	Department	Responsibility
Project Engineer	Program Management	Manage all project activities, including planning, coordination of system life cycle processes, and scheduling of major milestones. Provides liaison with company management.
Software Lead	Software Engineering	Manage all aspects of software development including planning, technical direction, collection and analysis life cycle data, coordination of life cycle processes and scheduling of major milestones.  Participate in the software release, change, and baseline process as a required member of the SCCB.
Systems Engineer	Systems Engineering	Develop high level requirements and the high level architecture in accordance with the DO-178B guidelines and engineering procedures.
Safety Engineer	Systems Engineering	Performs the System Safety Assessment (SSA) which determines and categorizes the failure conditions of the system and from that defines safety related requirements. Reviews all requirements changes. Approves derived requirements.
Software Engineer(s)	Software Engineering	Develop software standards, architecture, requirements, design, source code and executable code in accordance with software procedures and DO-178B guidelines. Conduct reviews and analysis of life cycle data. Implement changes during verification testing as required.

Project Role	Department	Responsibility
Independent Verification Engineer(s)	System/Software/Test Engineering	Conduct independent verification including test development, reviews, analysis, and performing tests in accordance with the Software Verification Plan (SVP).
Software Quality Engineer	Software Quality Assurance	Assure that the software life cycle processes produce software that conforms to its requirements by ensuring that project activities are performed in compliance with the SQAP. Conduct Product Reviews, Process Reviews, and Audits throughout the software development life cycle in accordance with checklists provided in Appendix A of the SQAP.
Configuration Management Specialist	Configuration Management	Provide configuration management of all project life cycle data in accordance to the Software Configuration Management Plan. Assure that changes in hardware, software, documentation, and delivered products conform to the Configuration Item (CI) baseline(s). Ensures the integrity of configuration identification of released products. The CM manager or designee is the chair for the SCCB.
Certification Manager	Program Management/ Project Technical Lead	Ensure that the software development and life cycle data meet customer requirements and DO-178B and guidelines

#### 1.8 Acronyms and Abbreviations

RAMS Reviews and Analysis Management System
CAMS Coverage Analysis Management System

CC1 DO-178C Control Category 1 CC2 DO-178C Control Category 2

CI Configuration Item

CM Configuration Management
COTS Commercial off the Shelf
CPU Central Processing Unit

CSC Computer Software Component

CSCI Computer Software Configuration Item

CSU Computer Software Unit

DER Designated Engineering Representative DRMS Document Review Management System

FAA Federal Aviation Administration
FHA Functional Hazard Assessment
IVT Independent Verification Testing
MC/DC Modified Condition/Decision Coverage

MISRA Motor Industries Software Reliability Association

MLCP Master Load Control Procedure
PEMS Project Event Management System
PRMS Problem Reporting Management System
PSAC Plan for Software Aspects of Certification
PSSA Preliminary System Safety Assessment
PVCS Serena PVCS Version Control Software

QA Quality Assurance

RTCA Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics
RTMS Requirements Traceability Management System

SAS Status Accounting System
SCI Software Configuration Index

SCM Software Configuration Management SCMP Software Configuration Management Plan

SCS Software Coding Standard
SDD Software Design Description
SDS Software Design Standard
SDP Software Development Plan

SECI Software Environment Configuration Index

SQA Software Quality Assurance SQAP Software Quality Assurance Plan

SQE Software Quality Engineer

SRS Software Requirements Standard SSA System Safety Assessment

SVC&P Software Verification Cases and Procedures

SVC&P Software Verification Cases and Procedures
SVCP Software Verification Cases and Procedures

SVP Software Verification Plan

SWRD Software Requirements Document

VR Verification Results VSS Visual Source Safe

#### 1.9 Applicable Documents

The following documents are listed for reference only. Each document is applicable to this plan only to the extent specified herein.

#### 1.9.1 External Documents

RTCA/DO-178C Software Considerations in Airborne Systems and Equipment

Certification

FAA Order 8110.4C Type Certification

FAA Order 8110.49 FAA, Software Approval Guidelines

AC 20-115C Advisory Circular, RTCA Inc., Document DO-178C, Software

Considerations in Airborne Systems and Equipment Certification

#### 1.9.2 Internal Documents

<ref doc=""></ref>	Plan for Software Aspects of Certification (Ref. DO-178C, 11.1)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Development Plan (Ref. DO-178C, 11.2)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Verification Plan (Ref. DO-178C, 11.3)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Configuration Management Plan (Ref. DO-178C, 11.4)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Quality Assurance Plan (Ref. DO-178C, 11.5)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Requirements Standards (Ref. DO-178C, 11.6)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Design Standards (Ref. DO-178C, 11.7)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Code Standards (Ref. DO-178C, 11.8)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Requirements Document (Ref. DO-178C, 11.9)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Design Description (Ref. DO-178C, 11.10)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Build Procedure for Source Code (Ref. DO-178C, 11.11)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Load Control for Executable Object Code (Ref. DO-178C, 11.12)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Verification Cases and Procedures (Ref. DO-178C, 11.13)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Verification Results (Ref. DO-178C, 11.14)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Environment Configuration Index (Ref. DO-178C, 11.15)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Configuration Index (Ref. DO-178C, 11.16)
<ref doc=""></ref>	Software Accomplishment Summary (Ref. DO-178C, 11.20)

#### 2.0 SYSTEM OVERVIEW

This section provides an overview of the system, including a description of the mechanical enclosure and interfaces, electrical functions and their allocation to hardware and software, the architecture, processor(s) used hardware / software interfaces and safety features.

# <Example Text>

The Avionics Passenger Counter is a module that will keep track of how many passengers are currently in the aircraft/cabin. The current number of passengers in the cabin will be displayed on a display panel in real-time. The system will have a keypad entry so that the flight attendant can enter a passenger headcount correction/adjustment. The passenger headcount and any fault status information collected will be transmitted via ARINC 429 via the PIC processor and ARINC 429 I/O FPGA.

2.1 Mechanical Systems Top level Diagram

2.1.1 System Functions Allocated to Mechanical Hardware

# 2.2 Electrical Systems Top Level Block Diagram

<This is a diagram of equipment showing a high-level interconnect of black boxes with emphasis on identifying the Printed Circuit Boards (PCB) at the LRU Level.>

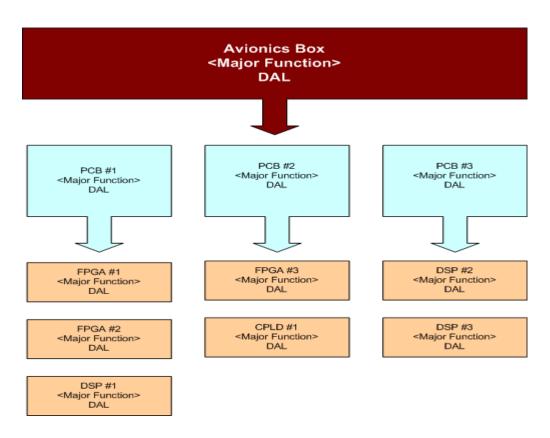


Figure 2-1 System Level Block Diagram

# 2.2.1 System Functions Allocated to Electrical Hardware and Software

# 2.2.1.1 Data Acquisition Printed Circuit Board #1

The Data Acquisition PCB has four primary functions. They include...

Device	Primary Functions	COTS
FPGA #2	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
FPGA #2	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
DSP #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Ν
XYZ #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Υ

# 2.2.1.2 Input / Output Printed Circuit Board #2

The Input / Output PCB have five primary functions. They include...

Device	Primary Functions	COTS
CPLD #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
FPGA #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
XYZ #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Υ
XYZ #2	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Υ
XYZ #3	<pre><primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary></pre>	Υ

### 2.2.1.3 Monitor Printed Circuit Board #3

The Monitor PCB has four primary functions. They include...

Device	Primary Functions	COTS
DSP #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
DSP #2	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	N
XYZ #1	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Υ
XYZ #2	<primary device="" function="" implemented="" in="" this=""></primary>	Υ

### 2.3 System Functional Description

# <Example Text>

The passenger headcount function is performed by counting the number of entries and exits. The module uses an Entry/Exit-Sensor to detect passengers' movements in and out of the cabin. The number of passengers in the cabin is tracked by an up/down counter in an FPGA. The passenger load is displayed in real-time on the display panel. The keypad entry can asynchronously load the counter thereby adjusting/correcting the passenger load on the display/system.

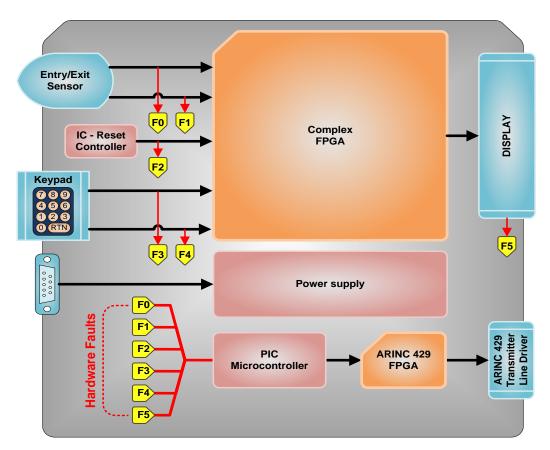


Figure 2-2 System Functional Diagram

# 2.3.1 System Failure Conditions

# 2.3.2 High-Level Hardware Functions and Contribution to Potential Failures

No	Function	Example of Potential Failure	DAL
01	Provision of secure and timely data flow to and from applications and Input / output devices, e.g. sensors and actuators	Transmission of deploy command to landing gear in flight	A
02	Controlled access to processing facilities	Omission in schedule of fuel system pumping control partition	В
03	Provision of secure data storage and memory management	Corruption of fuel system execution code by lower integrity partition	В
04	Provision of consistent execution state	Incorrect or inconsistent flight data is loaded into system	В
05	Provision of health monitoring and failure management	Fuel system partition shut down when no error has occurred	А
06	General provision of computing capability	Total loss of IMA platform	А

**Table 2-1 System Failure Conditions** 

# 2.3.3 Safety and Partitioning

The system is composed of diagnostics and other fail-safe mechanisms used to ensure that failures of the system are detected and that the system goes to a safe state if it's unable to perform a safety function.

#### 3.0 SOFTWARE OVERVIEW

This section describes the software functions with emphasis on the proposed safety and partitioning concepts.

### 3.1 Software Architectural Block Diagram

<Identifies each processor and the tasks to be performed within each>

- 3.2 Processor #1
- 3.2.1 States and Modes
- 3.2.2 Tasks
- 3.3 Processor #2
- 3.3.1 States and Modes
- 3.3.2 Tasks

#### 3.4 COTS Software Identification

### 3.4.1 Real Time Operating System

<Describe the use of an RTOS, including qualification information>

### 3.4.2 Board Support Package

<Describe the use of a BSP, including qualification information>

#### 3.4.3 Compiler Provided Libraries

<Describe the use of Libraries, including qualification information>

#### 3.5 Deactivated Code Partitioning

How is the operational software protected from the activation of this code?

- 3.5.1 USB Interface Code
- 3.5.2 RS-232 Interface Code
- 3.5.3 Ethernet Interface Code
- 3.5.4 Boot Load Code Partitioning

The Boot Load Code is partitioned from the operational software and, if activated during flight, the crew will see a fault indication. Anomalous behavior of the Boot Load software, as shown by the system safety assessment, would cause or contribute to a failure of system function with no effect on aircraft operational capability or pilot workload. Software whose anomalous behavior would cause or contribute to a failure of the system function with no effect on aircraft operational capability or pilot workload is identified as **Level E**.

#### 3.6 Safety and Partitioning

The system is composed of diagnostics and other fail-safe mechanisms used to ensure that failures of the system are detected and that the system goes to a safe state if it's unable to perform a safety function.

# 3.6.1 Safety Monitoring

The following safety monitoring rules and techniques will be used:

- > Safety monitoring software will be assigned the software level associated with the most severe failure condition category for the monitored function.
- Assessment of the system fault coverage of a monitor will be used to ensure that the monitor's design and implementation are such that the faults which it is intended to detect will be detected under all necessary conditions.
- > The monitor and protective mechanism will not be rendered inoperative by the same failure that causes the failure condition.

#### 3.7 Resource Sharing <Example Text>

The system is based on Superloop architecture. As such, resource sharing is managed to prevent deadlocks. For example, if the analog board suffers a critical failure with the Dual-Port RAM and locked, in this event, the board would automatically be shipped. This results in no data from the analog board; however, the balance of the system is fully operational.

#### 3.8 Redundancy

<Information Here If Applicable>

#### 3.9 Fault Tolerance < Example Text>

The software will be designed so that it will continue to operate, possibly at a reduced level, rather than failing completely, when some part of the system fails. During this condition, a visible fault indication will be present.

#### 3.10 Timing and Task Scheduling

# 3.10.1 Timing <Example Text>

The development team understands that numerous types of problems can arise when the software misses its timing constraints. Two types of constraints are recognized: hard timing requirements and soft timing requirements. A hard timing requirement denotes that if a constraint is missed, the program is in error; a late result is just as bad as a wrong result. A soft timing requirement indicates a constraint that the program should obtain on average, or one in which the value of the result degrades with time; occasionally missing a deadline is not considered an error.

The following timing-related problems that will be addressed in the system architecture:

#### Priority inversion

- > Schedulability and processor utilization
- > Interrupt and event response times

It is recognized that such problems may go undetected by verification testing alone, since they only occur under specific timing conditions. As such, code review analysis is combined with testing to aid in uncovering these problems.

#### 3.10.2 Task Scheduling <Example Text>

Scheduling is handled as a function of the Superloop architecture. Critical events are handled by hardware interrupts. Timers handle non-critical events.

# 4.0 CERTIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS

#### 4.1 Certification Basis and Means of Compliance

The certification basis for the software is Title 14 CFR 2x.1301 and 14 CFR 2x.1309. RTCA/DO-178C has been selected as the means of compliance. The objectives will be satisfied during the lifecycle development and integral processes. The Quality Assurance Engineer will compile applicable artifacts and submit them to the Certification Authority. Verification objectives are satisfied through a combination of reviews and analysis, the development of test cases and procedures, and the subsequent execution of those test procedures. Reviews and analysis provide an assessment of the accuracy, completeness, and verifiability of the requirements, architecture, and design implementation.

The product will be developed in compliance with the following:

Reference / Issue	Description
FAA TSO-	TSO, Description
FAA Order 8110.4C	Type Certification

**Table 4-1 List of Compliance Documents** 

#### 4.2 Issue Papers and Certification Review Items (CRI)

<b>Document Number</b>	Title
Issue Paper SE-3.3	Guidance for Conducting Change Impact Analysis
Issue Paper SE-3.5	Use of Commercial Off The Shelf Software in Aircraft Avionics Systems
CRI F-10	Management of Open Problem Reports (Software and CEH)

Table 4-2 List of Issue Papers and CRI's