

# SOLSTx Solid State Transmitter

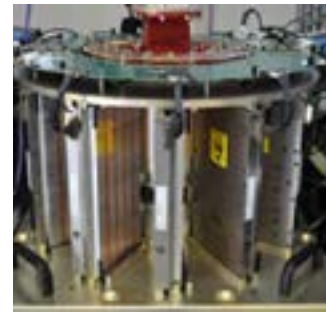
Radar transmitters using Vacuum Electronics Devices (VED) such as Klystrons, Traveling Wave Tubes (TWT), Magnetrons and Crossed-Field Amplifiers (CFA) have high operational and sustainment (O&S) costs, require very high voltage power supplies, and the systems are not proven to have high reliability.

GaN-based Solid State Transmitter (SST) technology has a number of advantages over traditional systems. Compared to VEDs used in current transmitter designs, SOLSTx offers the following advantages:

- Significant increase in Mean Time Between Critical Failure (MTBCF)
- Substantial decrease in O&S costs
- Graceful degradation (as opposed to single point of failure/instantaneous shutdown) in the event of hardware failure
- Significantly lower Phase Modulation (PM) noise levels resulting in higher Clutter Improvement Factor (CIF)
- Significantly lower out of band emission reducing the interference with adjacent radars and commercial communication signals
- Reductions in size, weight, and power offer increased system efficiency
- Higher Duty Cycle (Up to 10%)
- Greater range of pulse widths (Up to 100µS)



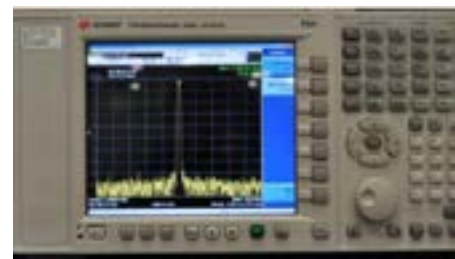
Module replacement requires less than two minutes of down time



30kW S-Band GaN Solid State Transmitter Assembly



Embedded control



Low Out of Band Emission

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## Current Markets and Platforms

UHF, L, S, C, X, and Ku Band radars for air traffic control, weather, telemetry, fire control, ISR, missile illumination, horizon search and long range surveillance.

## Applications vs. Frequencies

	Long Range Surveillance (marine, Ground based)	Air Traffic Control	Threat Simulators	Weather Radar	SAR	Fire Control Radar	Airborne Surveillance	Communications / Datalink	Telemetry
UHF	●	●							
L-Band	●	●							●
S-Band	●	●	●	●					●
C-Band	●		●	●					●
X-Band			●	●	●	●	●	●	
Ku-Band					●			●	
Ka-Band			●						

## Performance

- Out of band performance of SSPA is far better than a VED
- Phase Noise of SSPA is lower than the VED
- Uncorrelated combination of large number of SSPAs results to form SST results in lower phase noise and higher CIF

## Value Proposition Across All Markets

- Long Term Sustainability: no diminishing sources of supply
- Transmitter Cost: comparable or lower than tube based transmitters
- Increased Operational Availability: "hot swap" amplifier replacement
- Performance: high clutter improvement factor, high power density, high reliability
- Modular Design: enables scalable power output