

# OwnTech Update

A demo-talk of V1 Software suit and Hardware advancements



Dr. Luiz VILLA
President @ OwnTech Foundation



Associate professor University of Toulouse PhD in power electronics



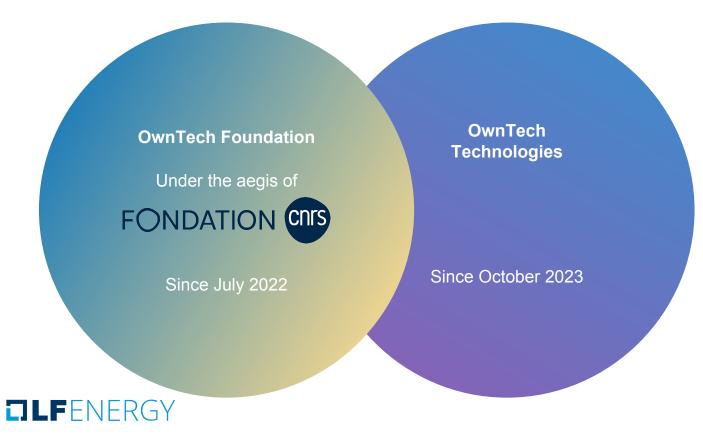
Jean ALINEI
CEO @ OwnTech Technologies

M.Eng Grenoble INP - Product design and Innovation management



Clement FOUCHER
Software Core Developer @
OwnTech

Associate Professor
University of Toulouse
PhD in Industrial Informatics



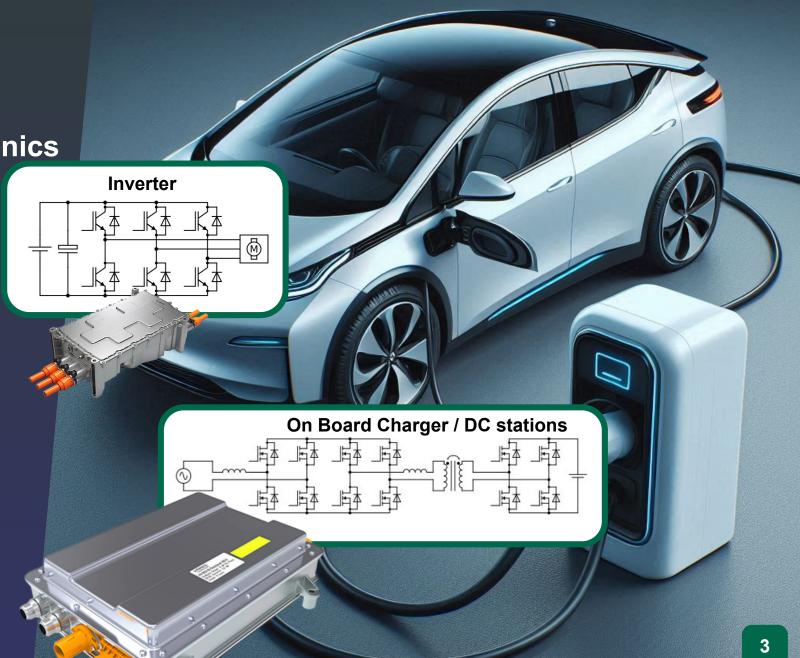
Our goal is to Democratize access to power electronics and contribute to society's electrification through a decentralized peer to peer action.

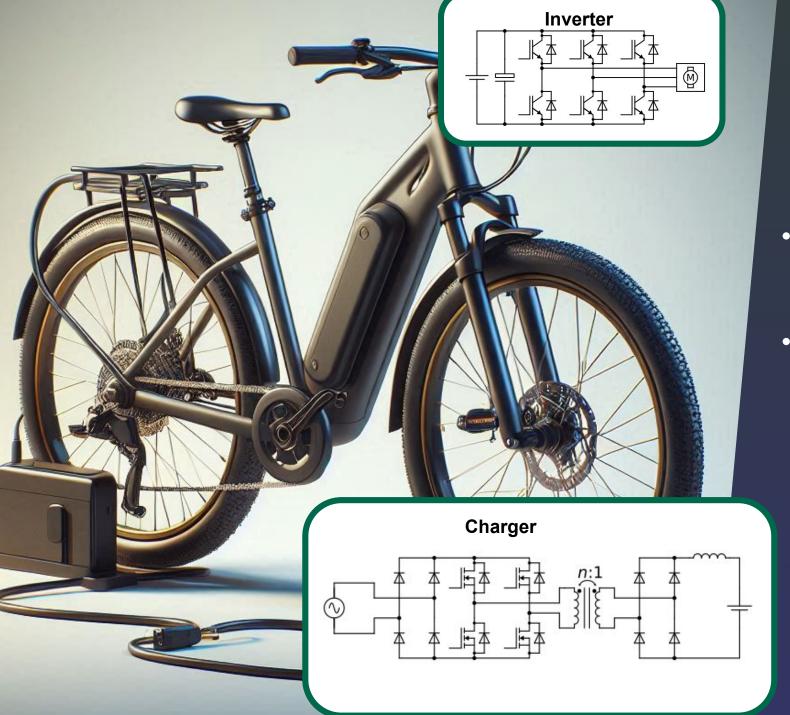
# Electric vehicles

• EV are driving Power Electronics (PE) market growth

 PE market expected to grow by 7 x

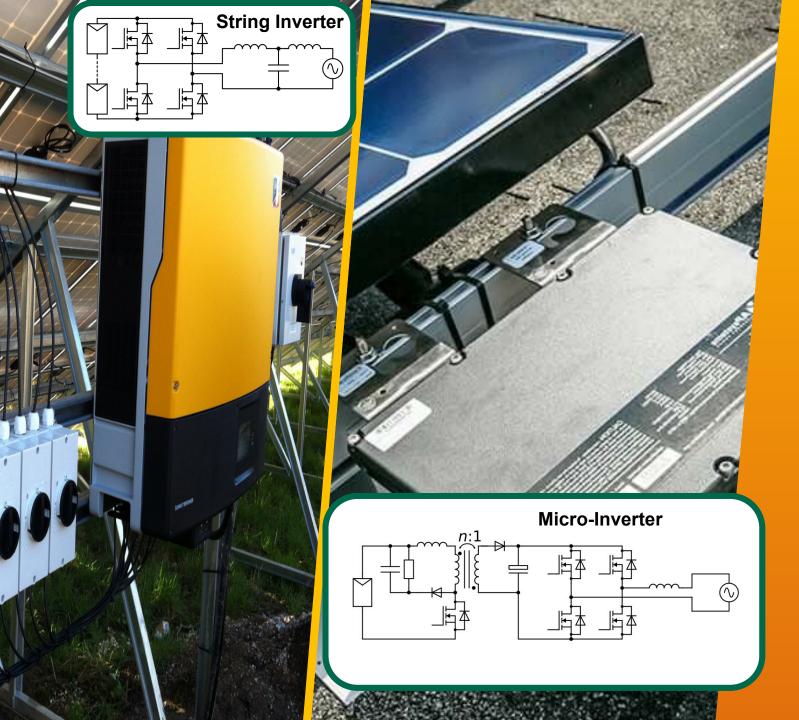
Fierce competition





# Small mobility and e-bikes

- Increasing demand for intermediate vehicles
- Same Power electronics architectures, but at a lower wattage.



# PV inverters

- In 2023 the U.S. exceeded 30GW of new PV installations.
- PV string inverters and micro-inverters split 50-50
- String inverters go from PV to the grid at high voltage
- Micro-inverters go from your balcony to the grid at low(er) voltage

Source Grand View Research PV market Report 2023

# **MMC SST**

# Grid connection

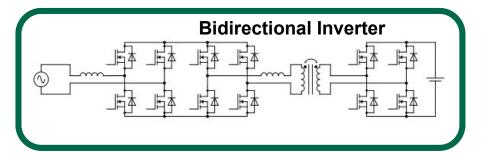
- Grid reinforcement & Renewables integration require more DC links.
- Modular multi-level converters and solid state transformers are to provide flexible solution for the future grid

Source Grand View Research PV market Report 2023

# Storage - Batteries and H<sup>2</sup>

- LiFePo4 Rackable Batteries cost now about 30ct€/Wh
- Grid energy cost is soaring due to multiple instabilities
- This fact is to become an enabler both for energy independence & rural electrification use cases
- It pushes the growth of micro inverters B2C market







# Complexity barrier

- Electronics are ubiquitous to the energy system
- Their introduction create a complexity barrier
- It is necessary to create, manufacture and repair these systems
- Taking up the challenge of the electric transition require Faster R&D.
- There is a scarcity of trained engineers.

# Learning by doing

- We believe that people learn better by solving real life problems
- We also believe that people solve problem together using tools they understand
- That is why we believe it is necessary to have an open-source tool for fast-prototyping in power electronics



# A "spiritual successor" for open power

2005 2008 2015



Arduino has made industrial informatics accessible to everyone

Rasberry pi has made informatics accessible to everyone

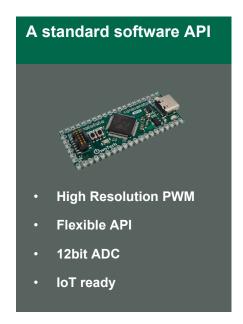
Micro:bit allowed children to learn how to code

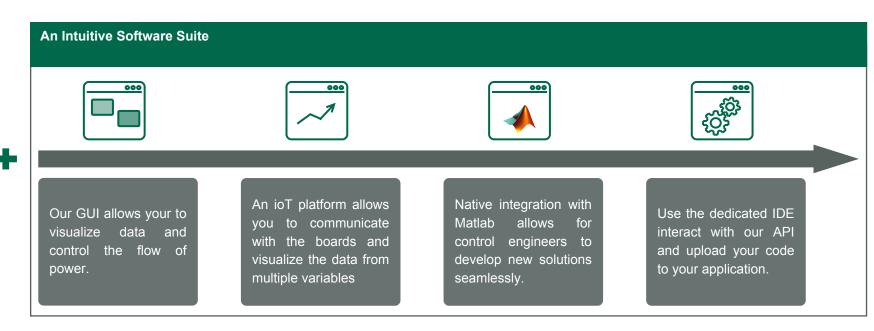
OwnTech will make power electronics accessible to everyone

2022

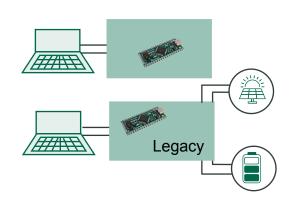
# A comprehensive API for power applications







### **Education use-case**



Simple tutorials allows students to charge a battery or drive an electric skateboard.

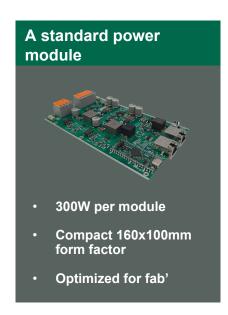
### **Industry use-case**

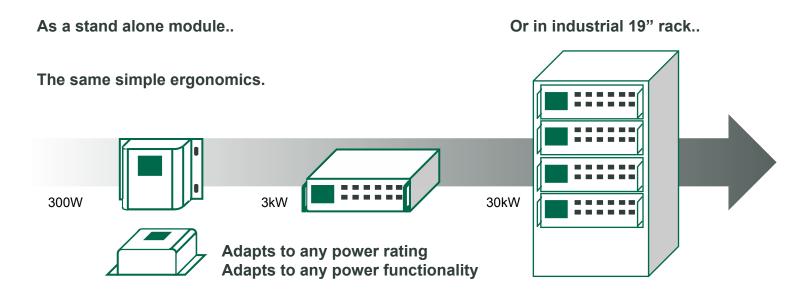


After validating the concept with a Twist power board, the same algorithm can be imported into a new product.

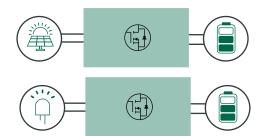
### The TWIST Board: stackable power







### **Use case example for Education**



Instructors can easily setup their practical classes and manage a group of students who are reprogramming the target while following their class instructions.

### **Use case example for Industry**



Control engineers setting up their test benches in short periods of time. They are also seamlessly changing their models and reprogramming the converter to control their target application.

# The list of what's merged on V1





### **Hard Real Time capable**

- Real Time advanced control laws
- Open source control library



### **Fully featured PWM engine**

- 10 PWM signals ready to deploy
- Up to 55MHz PWM frequency
- Up to 184ps temporal resolution



### **Advanced analog**

- Synchronous 12bits measurements
- 60kHz acquisition rate
- Non blocking acquisition system



### Connectivity

- USB Plug & Play
- Debugger friendly
- Over The Air update over CAN
- Native Secure Bootloader integration

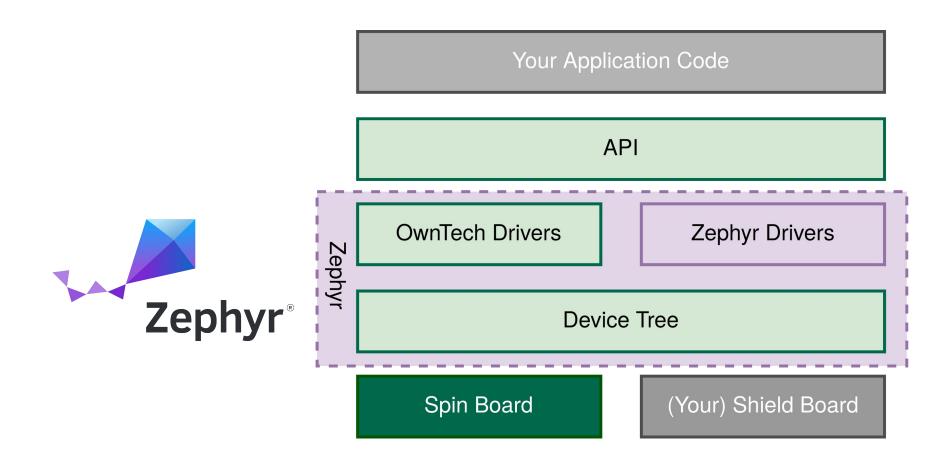
### SYNC

### **Decentralized control**

- 20Mbps RS485 link
- CAN for self address assignment
- Real Time analog bus
- Synchronous code execution on multiple SPIN at ±1us.
- Synchronous PWM output on multiple spin at 20ns±10ns.

### Under the hood





### Now upstream in v1.0.0-rc2

Well, first you download the toolchain, and install the dependencies and run this script, and compile the source, and eventually it will blink. - This time no more pain!

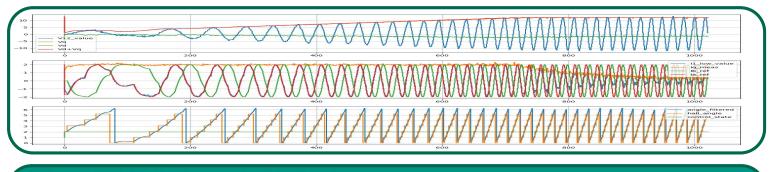
Meant to be used by electrical and control engineers that does not know much about IT.

### **USER** Centered Interface

- Extensive Examples Library
- Online documentation center
- Tool tips to guide your usage
- Auto-completion to help you develop
- Easy to retrieve sensor data









docs.owntech.org

# Create your own Power shield and leverage OwnTech API

```
shield-sensors {
    /* Voltage channels */
    v1low: v1-low {
        compatible = "shield-sensors";
        sensor-name = "V1 LOW";
        default-gain = <0x3d3851ec>;
        default-offset = <0xc2b867f0>;
        sensor-conv-type = "LINEAR";
        v1-low-adc1 {
            io-channels = <&adc1 6>:
            spin-pin = <24>;
        v1-low-adc2 {
            io-channels = <&adc2 6>;
            spin-pin = <24>;
        status = "okay";
powershield: power-shield{
    compatible = "power-leg";
    default-frequency = <200000>;
    leg1: leg1{
        leg-name = "LEG1";
        pwms = <\&pwma 1 0>, <\&pwma 2 0>;
        pwm-pin-num = <12 14>;
        driver-pin-num = <19>;
        current-pin-num = <25>;
        default-adc = "ADC 1";
        default-adc-decim = <1>;
        default-edge-trigger = "EdgeTrigger up";
        default-dead-time = <100 100>;
        default-modulation = "UpDwn";
```

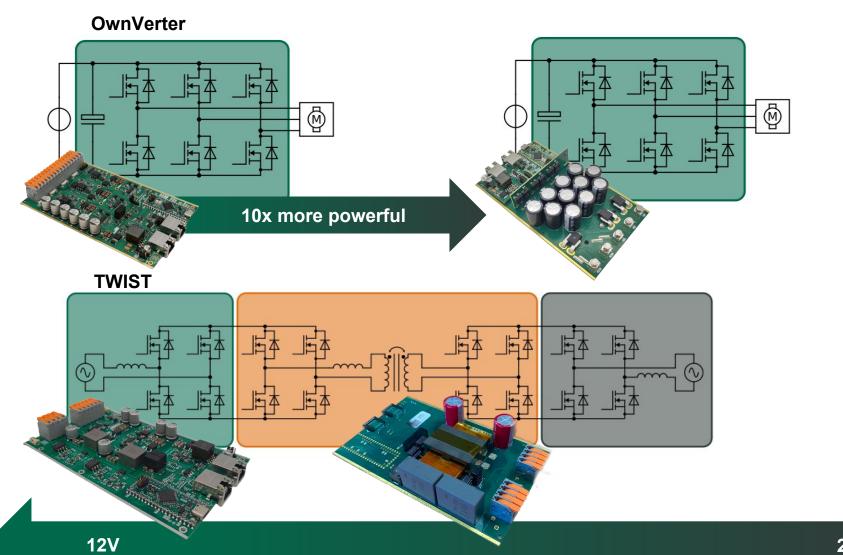


About now!

v1.0.0-stable about to sprout

### Hardware roadmap



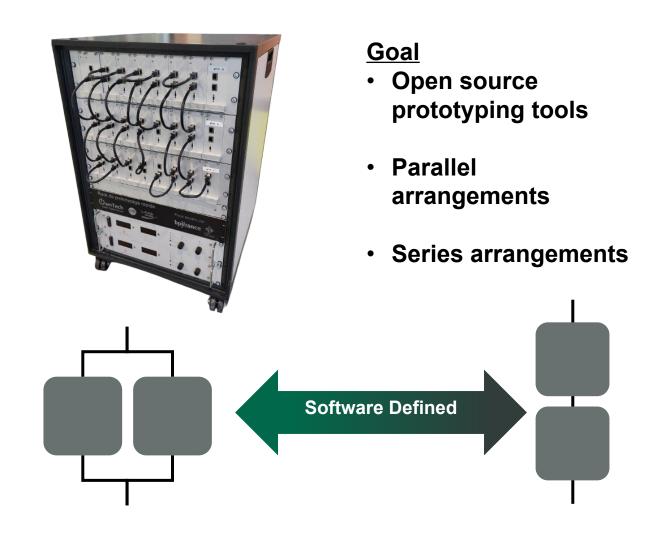


### **Goal**

- A subset of wide range, versatile power modules
- Standard, Open Source, stackable, Power Electronics building blocks

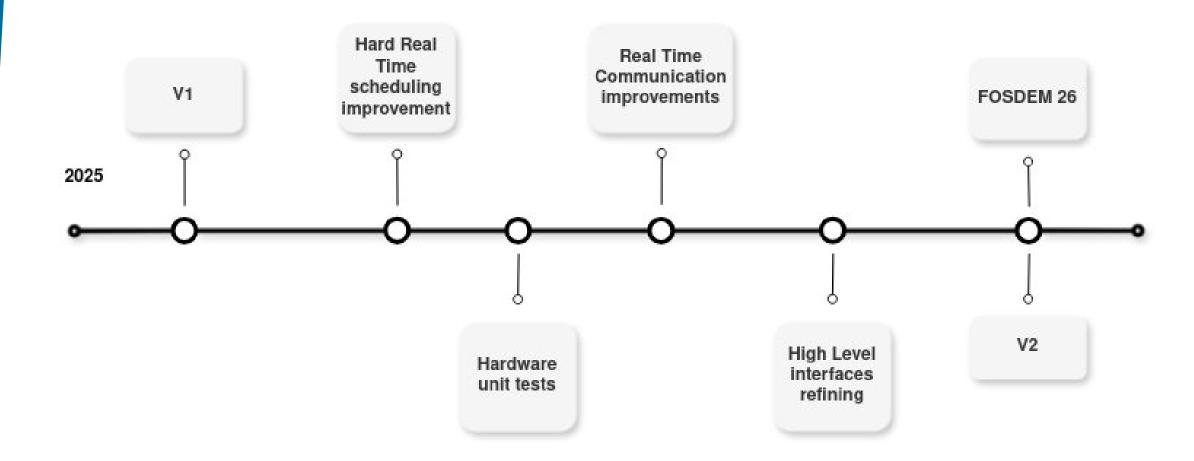
### Hardware roadmap





### Software Roadmap







### How to contribute:

- Try OwnTech APIs on your use case
- Hardware feedbacks and contributions
- Real Time enthousiasts folks
- TSO / DSO interested in talking MMC or SST together ?



Join and chat on Discord



# OwnTech Demo Video





Manage an effective and welcoming community space.

- Create an open digital space
- Include contributions made by the community
- Create a physical space

Disseminate technology and educational content

- Communicate and explain how the digital space works
- Create and distribute content, tutorials and instructional videos
- Participate in physical events

Animate the community

- Organize IP creation by providing a clear collaborative development roadmap
- Connecting community members
- Organize challenges and events

Fund projects and open technology development

- Finance key projects that have a significant positive impact
- Fast-track development of key functionalities requested by the community

# OwnTech is open-source



### **Open Tool**















Solution



### **TWIST& SPIN**

CERN-OHL-S-V2

All changes have to be shared with the community

### **Documentation**

CreativeCommons SA-BY

Share Alike - The documentation must keep its current licence

Can be sold. modified but must remain open source

### OwnDev + **OwnPlot**

GPL V2

Can be interfaced with open-source and proprietary libraries

### **Dataware**

Apache 2

Can be interfaced with open-soruce and proprietary libraries

### **Solutions**

Licence of your choice

Open-source or proprietary

✓ Component list is available

✓ Assembly instructions are available

- ✓ Contribution guide is available
- ✓ CAD files available in editable format

Open-o-meter - 8/8

- ✓ Assembly instructions available in editable format
- Component list available in editable format
- All information is available for commercial use

CopyLefted - Hosted by CNRS