

Tackling the Test Challenges of Next Generation ADAS Vehicle Architectures

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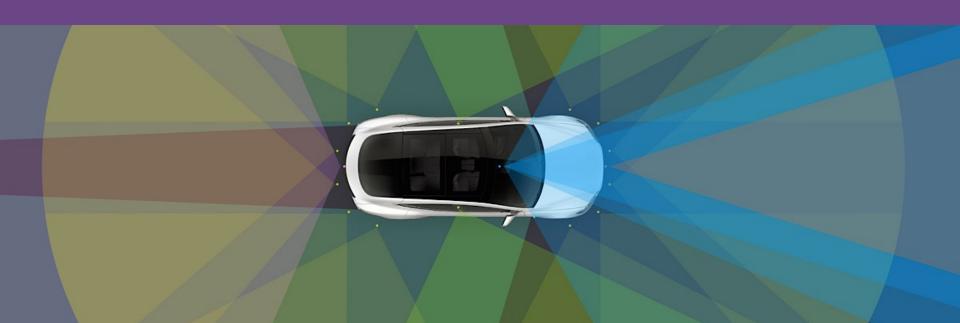
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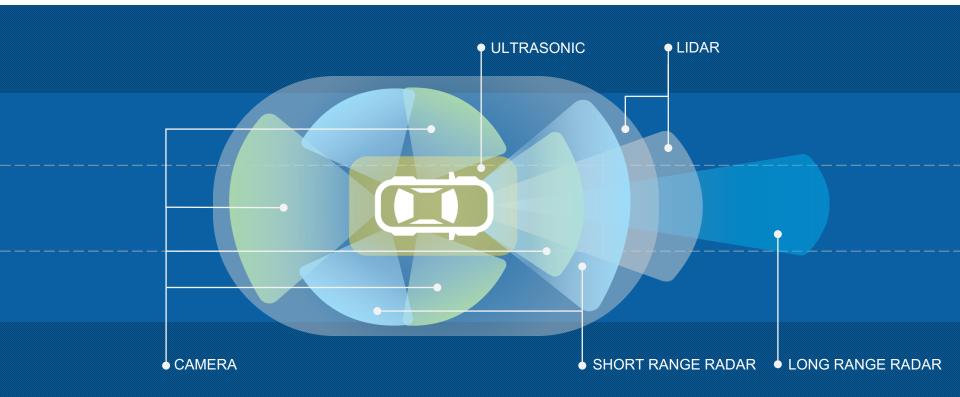
The Tesla Team

All Tesla Cars Being Produced Now Have Full Self-Driving Hardware

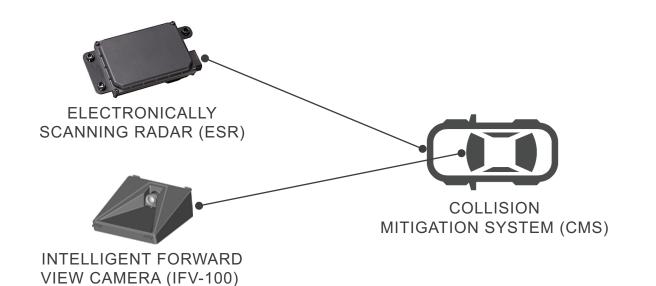
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Major ADAS Sensor Types and Applications







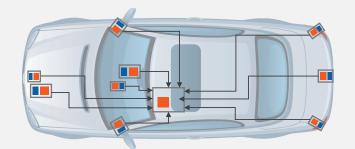


RACAM (RADAR + CAMERA)

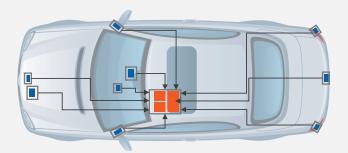
ADAS Sensor Fusion Evolution – Delphi Example



ADAS Architectures Continue to Evolve

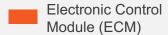


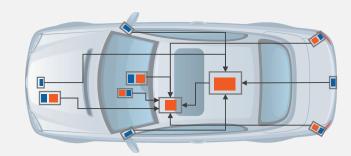
SMART SENSORS/DECENTRALIZED PROCESSING



RAW SENSOR DATA/CENTRALIZED PROCESSING



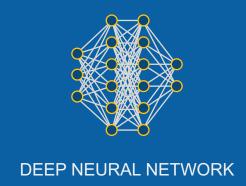




HYBRID SENSOR/PROCESSING



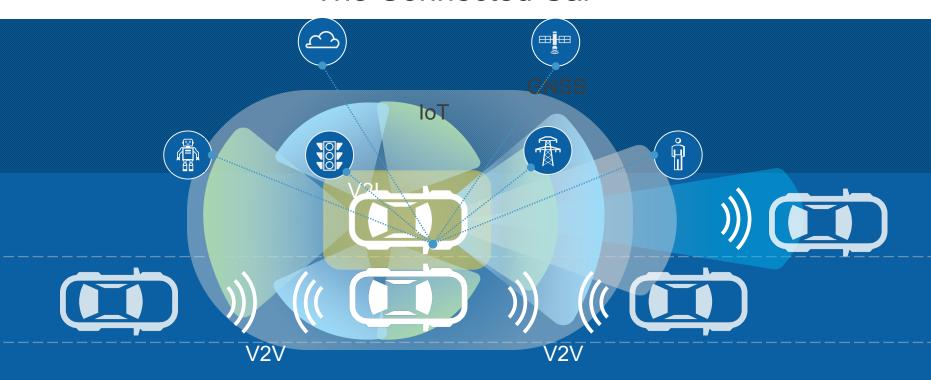
Source: electronics-eetimes



Deep Learning For Self-Driving Cars

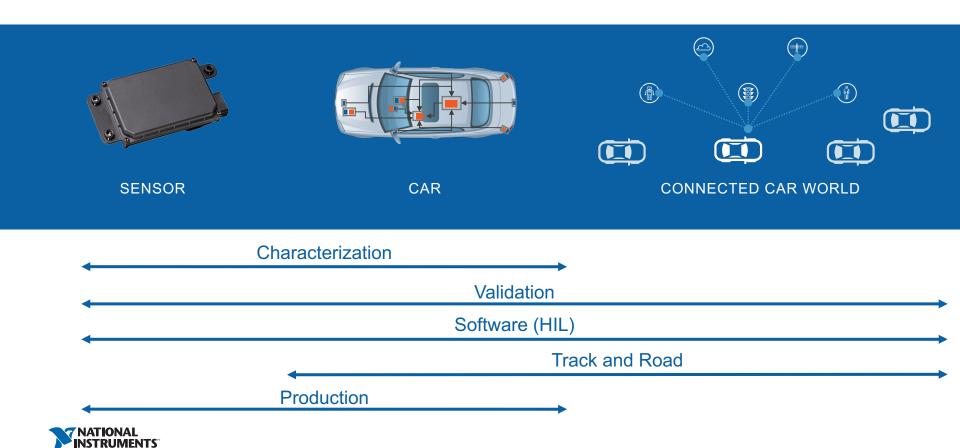
- Environmental perception is key to autonomous driving, e.g. lane position
- Traditional feature recognition and image processing techniques don't scale to needed complexity
- Deep neural networks learn efficient feature representation
- Inductive learning leads to evolving software operation that is challenging to test

The Connected Car





Testing ADAS and the Autonomous Vehicle



Requirements For An Autonomous Vehicle Testing Platform

- Wide range of I/O DC to RF, Vehicle Networks, Wireless Communications
- Highly adaptable software to meet changing requirements and architectures
- Real time performance to enable emulation of real-world conditions and HIL testing
- System-wide timing and synchronization to correlate across full range of I/O and communications
- Connectivity to standard design, simulation and scenario generation tools

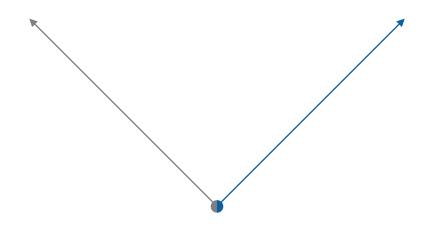


Approaches for Test and Measurement

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"Vendor knows best"

- Fixed-functionality box instruments
- Extend with **vendor accessible** customization
- · Fixed software applications
- Monolithic instrument design
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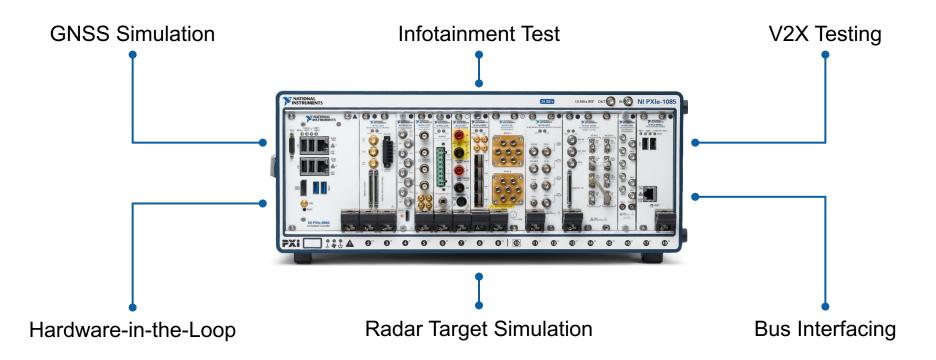
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Flexibility of PXI for Automotive Design and Test





Introduction to Radar Target Emulation



Principles of FMCW Radar

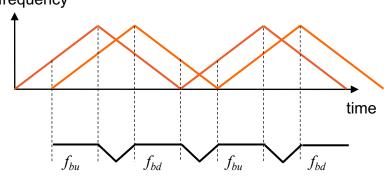
Stationary Single Target



range and radial velocity can be obtained as:

$$R = \frac{cT_{sweep}}{2B_{sweep}} \frac{f_{bd} + f_{bu}}{2}$$

frequency



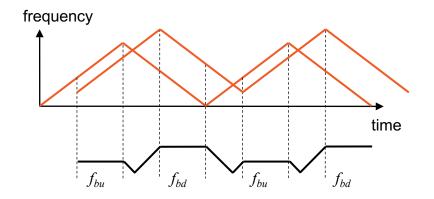
Beat frequency components due to range and Doppler frequency shift:

$$f_r = \frac{2R}{c} \frac{B_{sweep}}{T_{sweep}} \qquad f_r = f_{bu} = f_{bd}$$



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Moving Single Target radial velocity v_r range R $R = \frac{cT_{sweep}}{2B_{sweep}} \frac{f_{bd} + f_{bu}}{2}$ range and radial velocity can be obtained as: $v_r = \frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{f_{bd} - f_{bu}}{2}$



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$$f_r = \frac{2R}{c} \frac{B_{sweep}}{T_{sweep}} \qquad f_d = \frac{2v_r}{\lambda}$$

that are superimposed as:

$$f_{bu} = f_r - f_d \qquad f_{bd} = f_r + f_d$$



NI ADAS Test Solution

FEATURES AT A GLANCE

- Simulates 2 targets per VST and settings include velocity, RCS, and angle of arrival
- Measurements include: radiation pattern, EIRP, phase noise, spectrum occupancy, beam width, & chirp analysis
- Flexible software-based approach allows users to create custom target scenarios

KEY SPECIFICATIONS

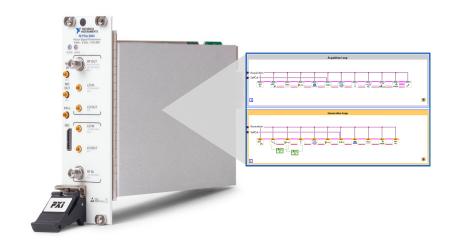
Frequency Range: 76 – 81 GHz

Target range: 1 to 250 meters

Range resolution: 0.1m

Velocity: 0 to 200 km/hr

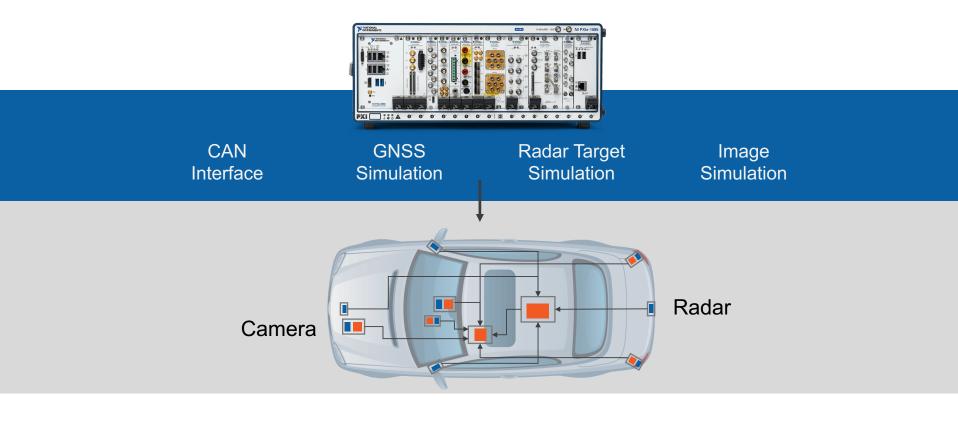
Bandwidth: 2 GHz for short-range, 1 GHz for long-range



The NI ADAS Test Solution is based on NI's 2nd generation Vector Signal Transceiver and uses a LabVIEW-programmable FPGA for target emulation.



Hardware-in-the-Loop







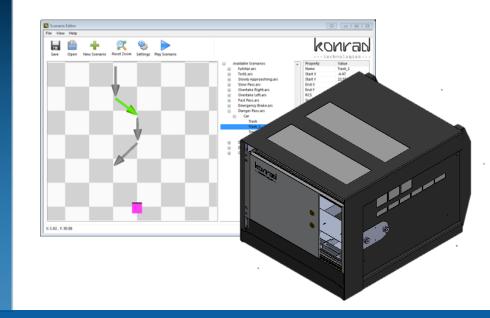
"With the PXI Vector Signal Transceiver, the combination of the industry's widest bandwidth and low latency software has allowed us to discover our automotive radar sensors as never before."

—Niels Koch, Audi





Konrad 77 GHz Radar Target Simulator



System Features

- Konrad ABex Production System uses National Instruments ADAS Test System
- 19" 6HE Rack, all electronics and RF components integrated in one box.
- Antenna blind mate connectors for remote antenna connection.

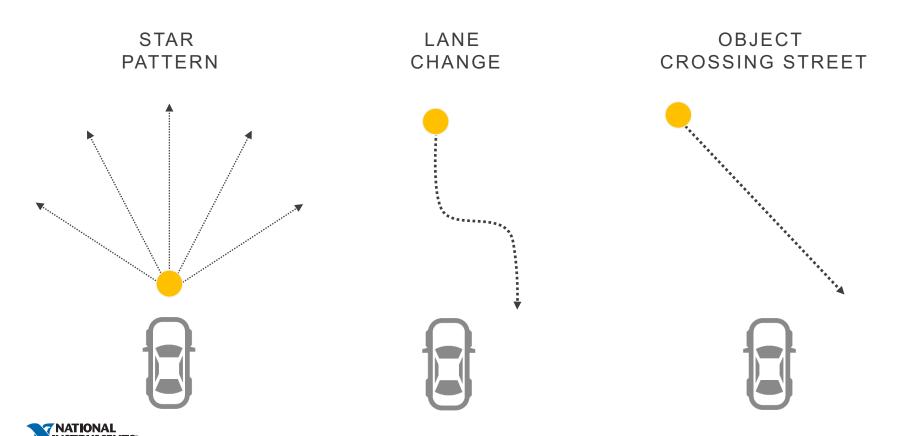
Scenario Editor Software

- Supports creation of custom scenario generation and tracks
- Sequence Tracks to simulate various radar environments





Typical Target Simulation Scenarios

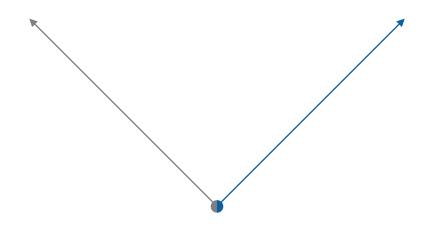


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Summary

- Autonomous driving is quickly becoming a reality
- Technologies, architectures and requirements are evolving rapidly
- RF and communications technologies and standards are playing a central role
- Complexity of systems and applications requires a platform-based approach to test

