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National Instruments Colombia



# Mission-Critical Applications with National Instruments



# Long-Term Track Record of Growth

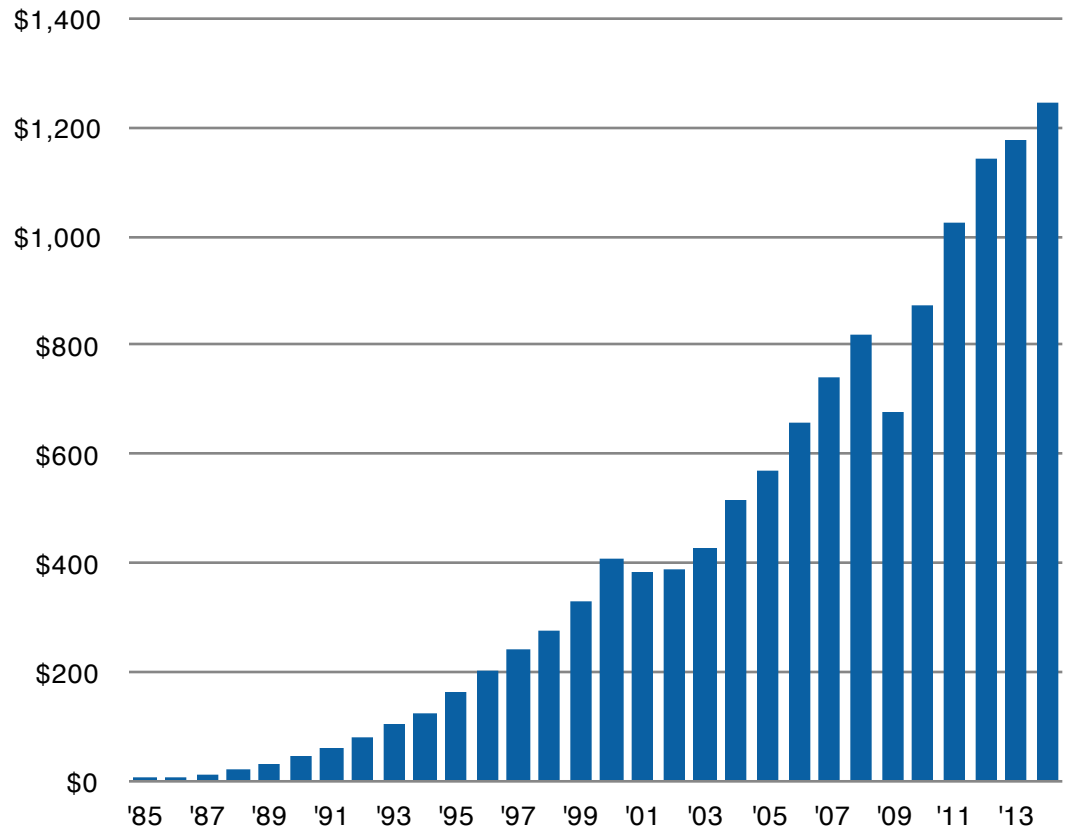
**Revenue:** \$1.24 billion in 2014

**Global Operations:** Approximately 7,080 employees; operations in almost 50 countries

**Broad customer base:** More than 35,000 companies served annually

**Diversity:** No industry >15% of revenue

**Culture:** Ranked among top 25 companies to work for worldwide by the Great Places to Work Institute





# More than 30,000 companies

...including 90% of Fortune 500



**Ravtheon**



**MBDA**  
MISSILE SYSTEMS



**Honeywell**  
**THALES**



**BAE SYSTEMS**



**NORTHROP GRUMMAN**



**Rockwell**  
**Collins**



# Graphical System Design

## A Platform-Based Approach for Measurement and Control

Test



Monitor



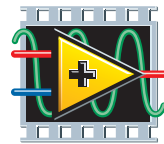
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Control



Cyber Physical



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# LabVIEW™



Desktops and  
PC-Based DAQ



PXI and Modular  
Instruments



RIO and Custom  
Designs

**GPB**  
IEEE-488

ETHERNET

HI-SPEED  
CERTIFIED  
**USB**

Open Connectivity  
With Third-Party I/O

# Addressing Longer Life-Cycles and System Complexity leveraging COTS technologies

In 2002, the DoD began articulating the need for a more flexible, **software-centric approach** to fielding Automatic Test Equipment.

*“Recent commercial technology allows for the development of **synthetic instruments** that can be configured in real time to perform various test functions....A single ‘synthetic’ instrument can replace numerous single function instruments thereby reducing the logistics footprint and solving obsolescence problems.”*

# Evolution of ATE

## Rack and Stack



## COTS/Modular



## Software Defined



1970's

1990's

2000's

1987: VXI  
Invented

1997: PXI  
Invented

1998: IVI  
Foundation formed

2003: ATML

2006: Synthetic  
Instrumentation

# The Rise of Software

- F-22: 1.7M lines of code
- F-35: 5.7M lines of code
- A380: >7M lines of code
- *Luxury Automobile: 100M lines of code*



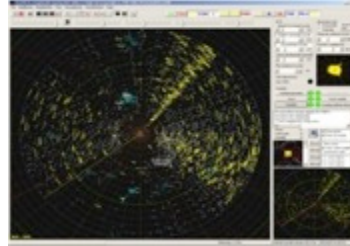
*Source: IEEE Spectrum*



# *In-line Signal Processing is a key attribute in addressing today's challenges*



**Spectrum Monitoring**



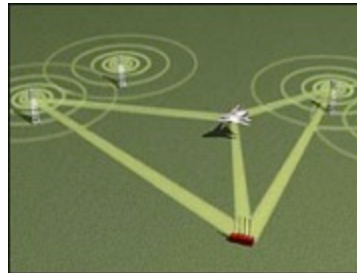
**Electronic Warfare**



**Radio**



**Signal Intelligence**



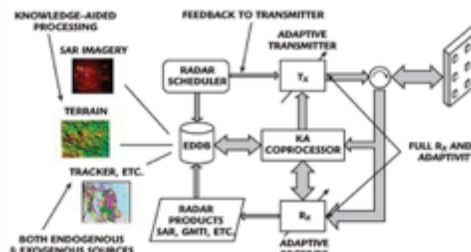
**Passive RADAR**



**Satellite Communication**



**Counter IED**



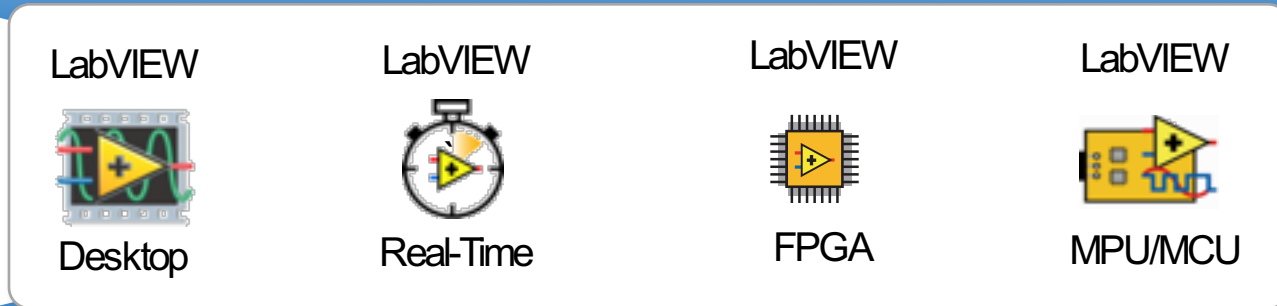
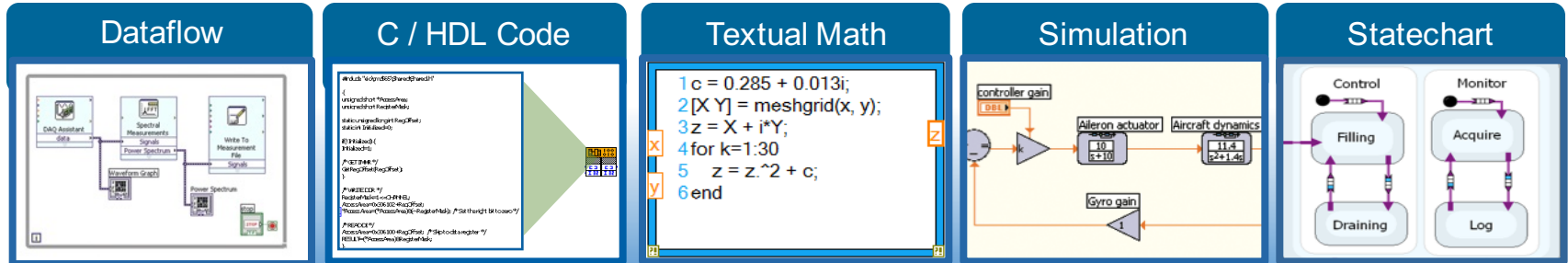
**Cognitive RADAR**



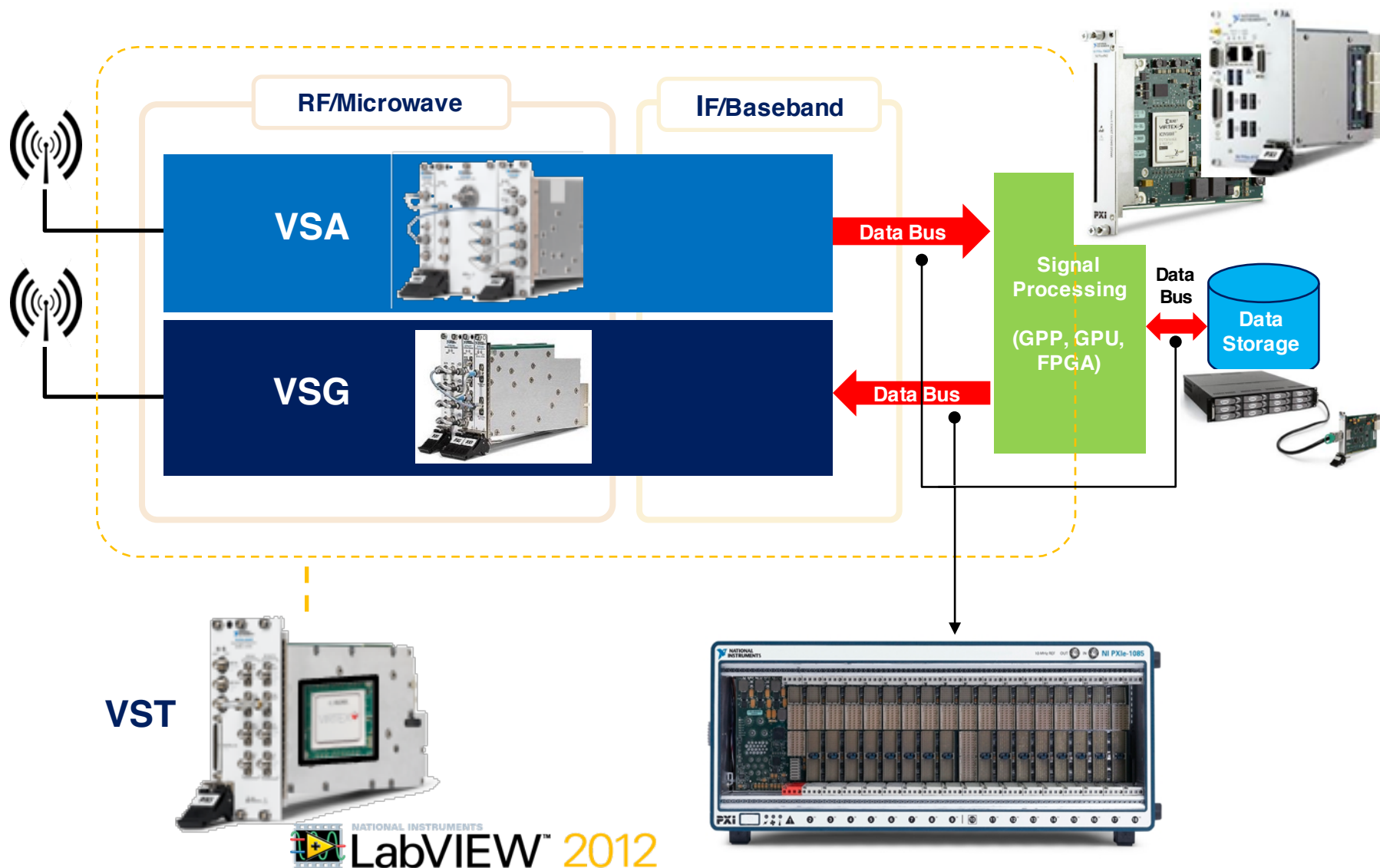
**Navigation**

# Graphical System Design

## High Level Software Abstraction Tools



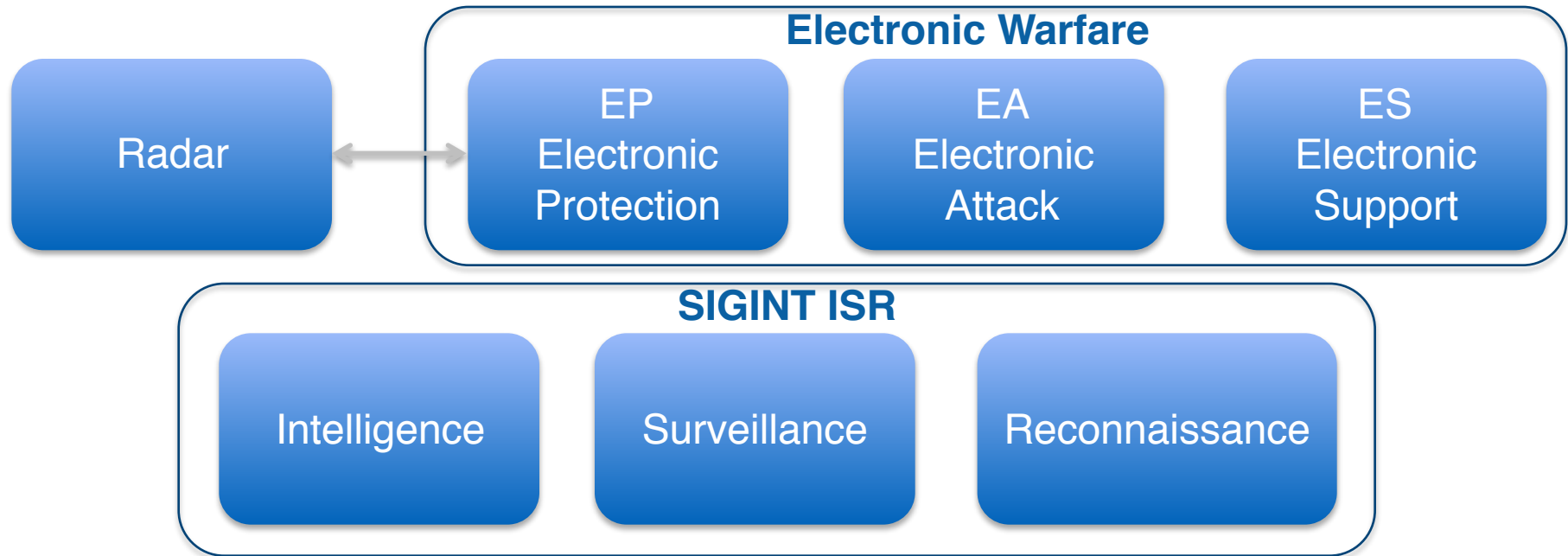
# Software Designed Systems – Platform Architecture



# A/D Target Application Areas

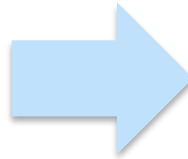
RADAR	EW/SIGINT	Communications	Navigation	ATE
				
Primary Radar Secondary Radar	SIGINT Spectrum Monitoring Jamming/CIED ISR	SATCOM Military Radio Telemetry SDR/CR	Avionics Test Navigation Positioning	Depot Level Intermediate Level Organizational Level

# Application Challenges



## Challenges

- Faster and smaller targets
- Quickly emerging threats
- Counter Measures
- Network centric requirement
- More data
- Embedded intelligence / complex processing
- SWaP constraints



## Design/Test Platform Technologies

- Wider bandwidths
- Greater dynamic range
- Tighter synchronization
- Greater processing capabilities
- Better software for algorithm development and collaboration
- Big Data Analysis



# Three Categories of Radar

## Primary RADAR

“Classic” RADAR based on sourcing a signal and measuring the “echo” off of a device.



SAAB Giraffe

## Secondary RADAR

“Friendly” RADAR systems that measure aircraft/marine position from interrogating a transponder.



Airport RADAR

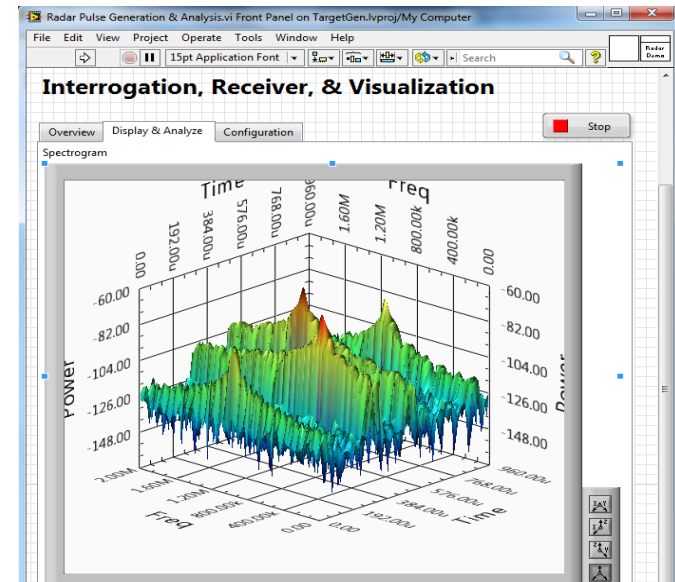
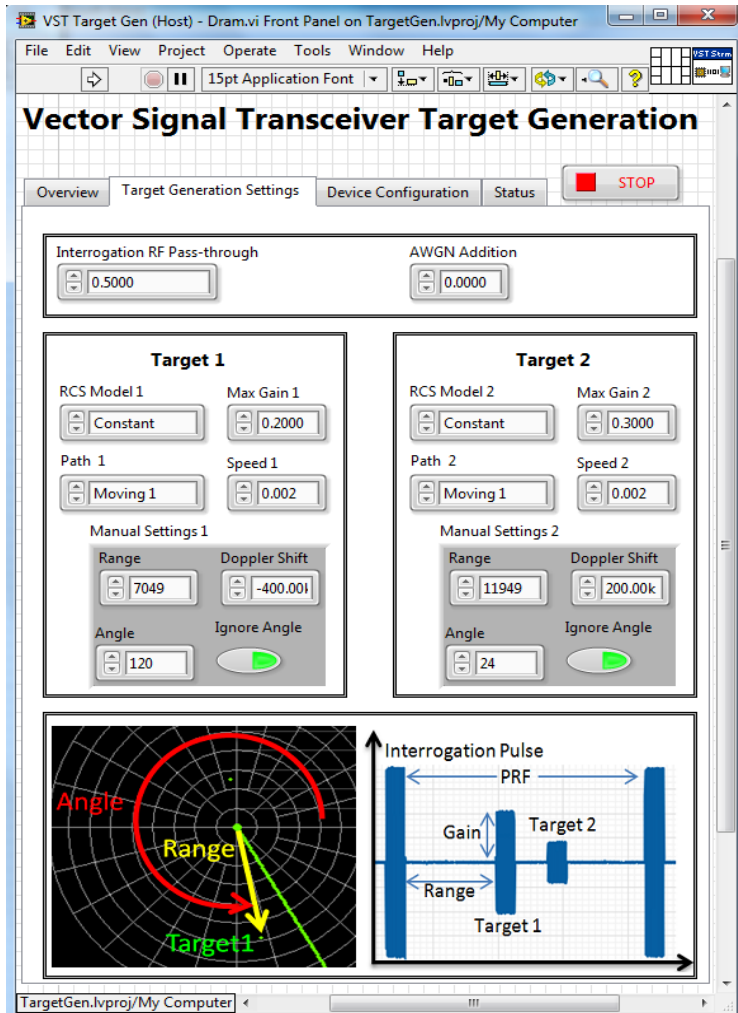
## RADAR Research (Passive RADAR)

Experimental systems such as passive radar, that measure reflections from commercial broadcast signals.

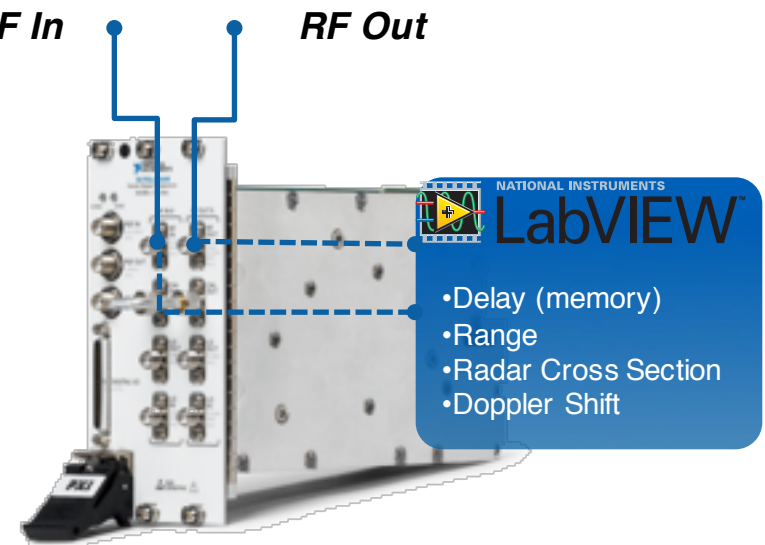


Selex AULOS

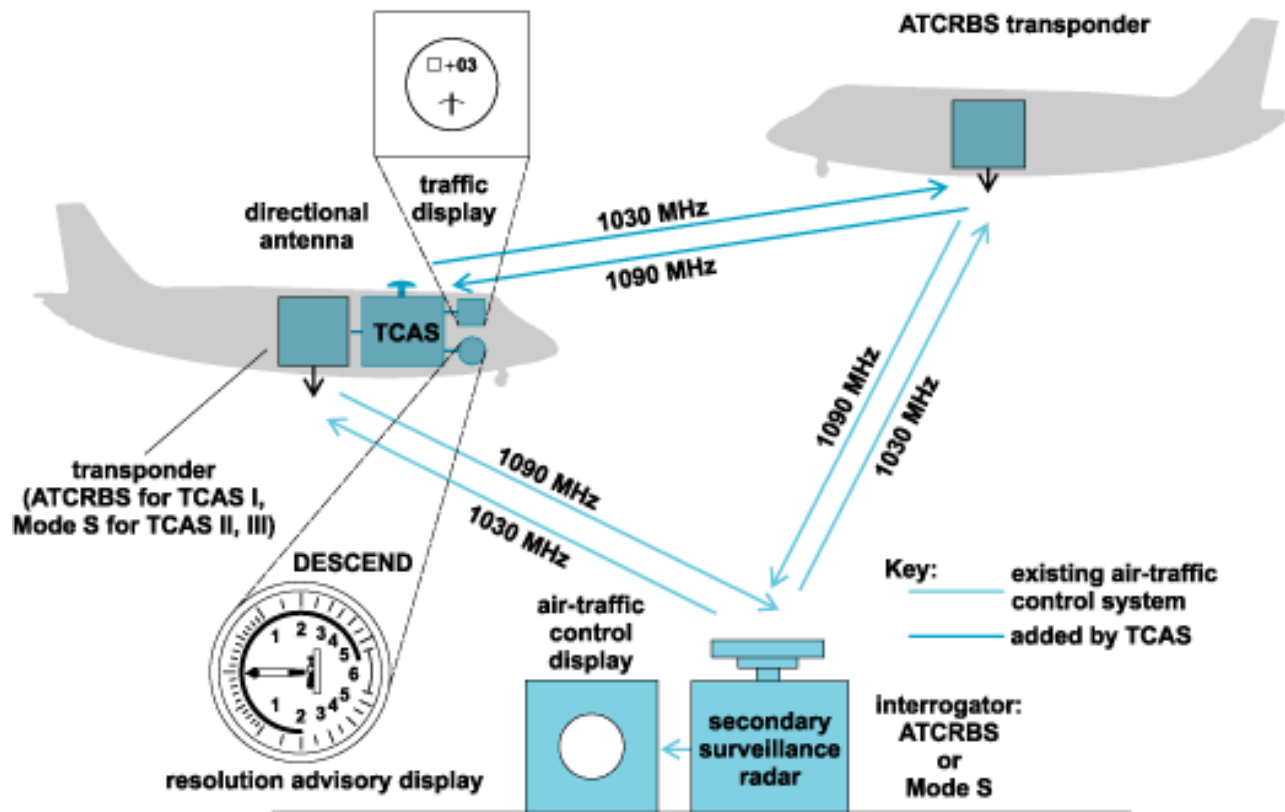
# Enabling Concurrent Radar Design & Test Target Emulation



RF In RF Out



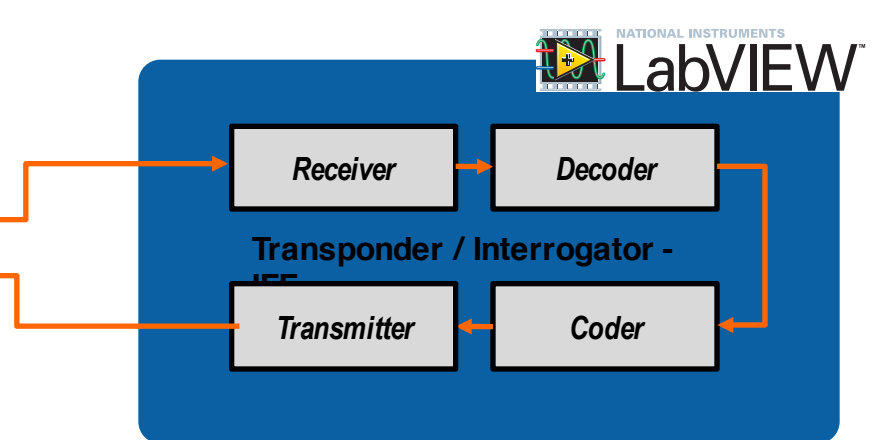
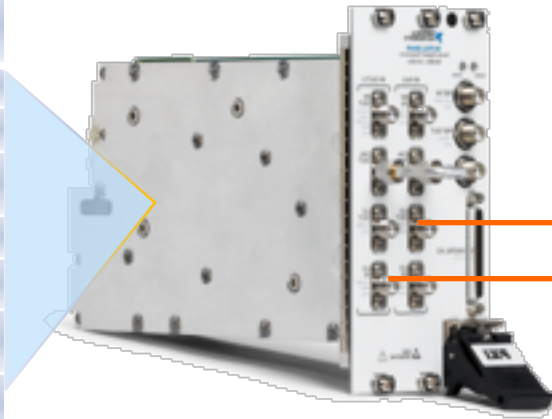
# Secondary Surveillance Radar / Transponder Interrogation (TCAS)



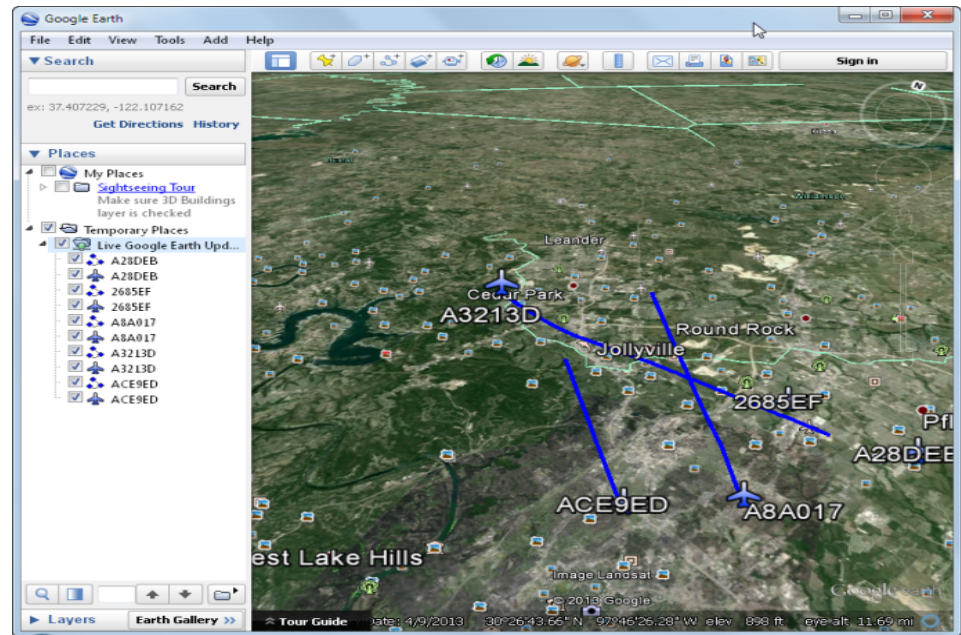
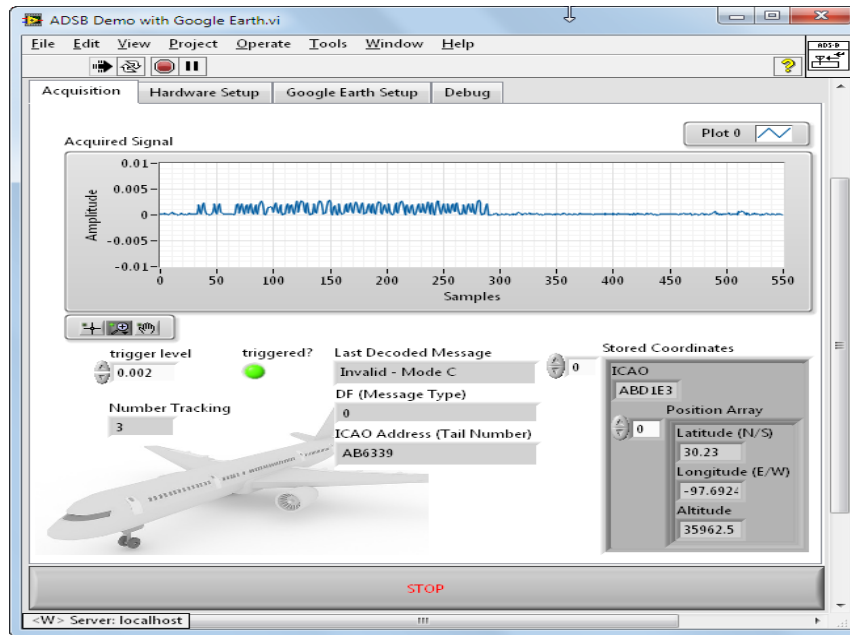
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# Prototyping Secondary Surveillance Radar

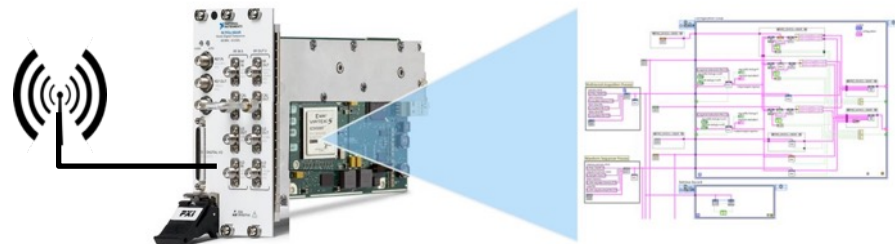
SSR Mode	User
1	military
2	military
3/A	military & civilian
4	military
5	military
C	military & civilian
S	military & civilian



# Testing Secondary Surveillance Radar Ground Support



Ground Station



Flight Path Simulation



# Passive RADAR Design in PXI



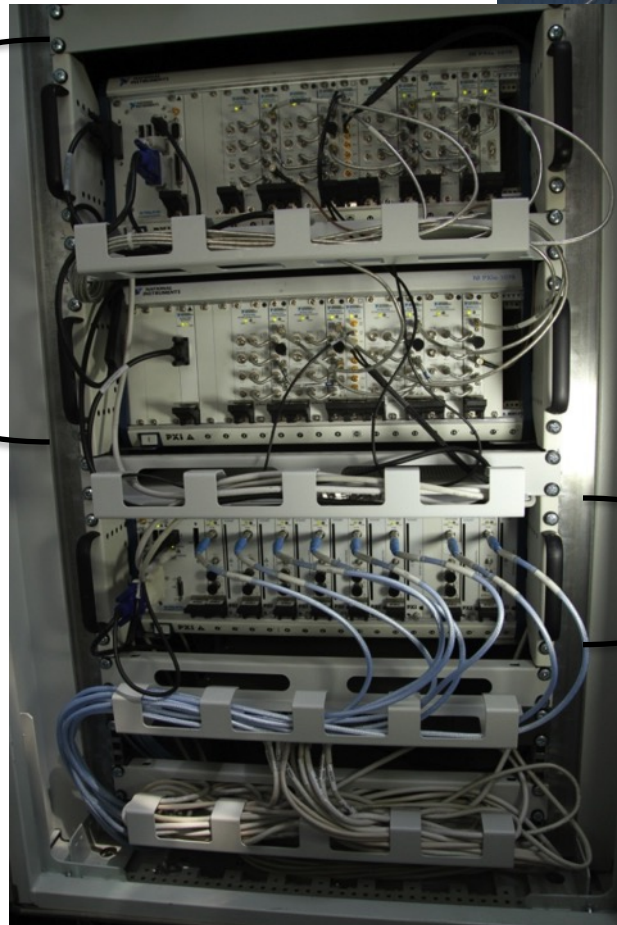
*“We chose NI products because of the user-friendly environment to develop the software”*

- Dr. Riccardo Mancinelli, Selex Sistemi Integrati

# Real-World Deployment Example

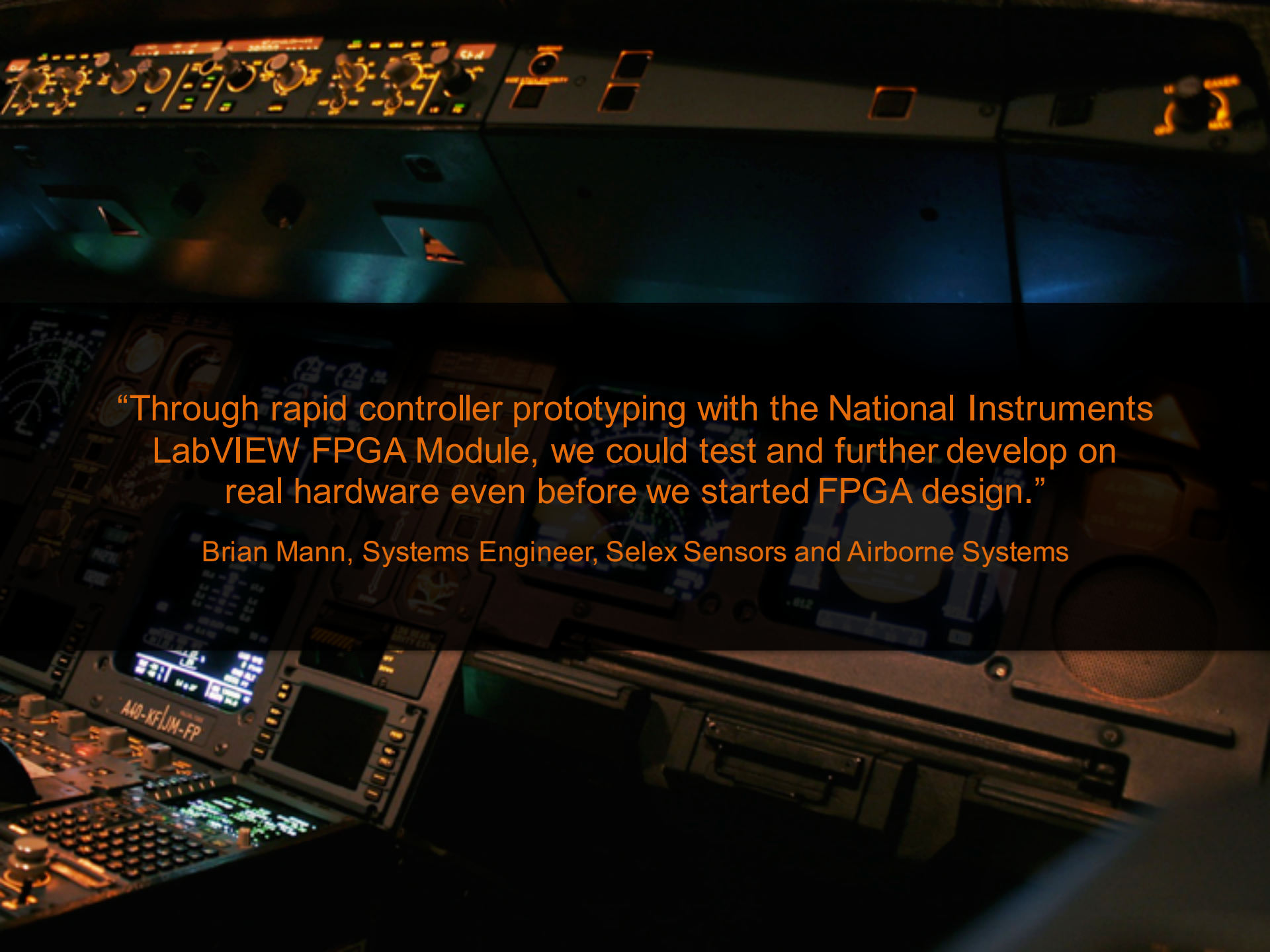
## Selex Passive Radar System

Radar  
Acquisition  
System



Radar Test System





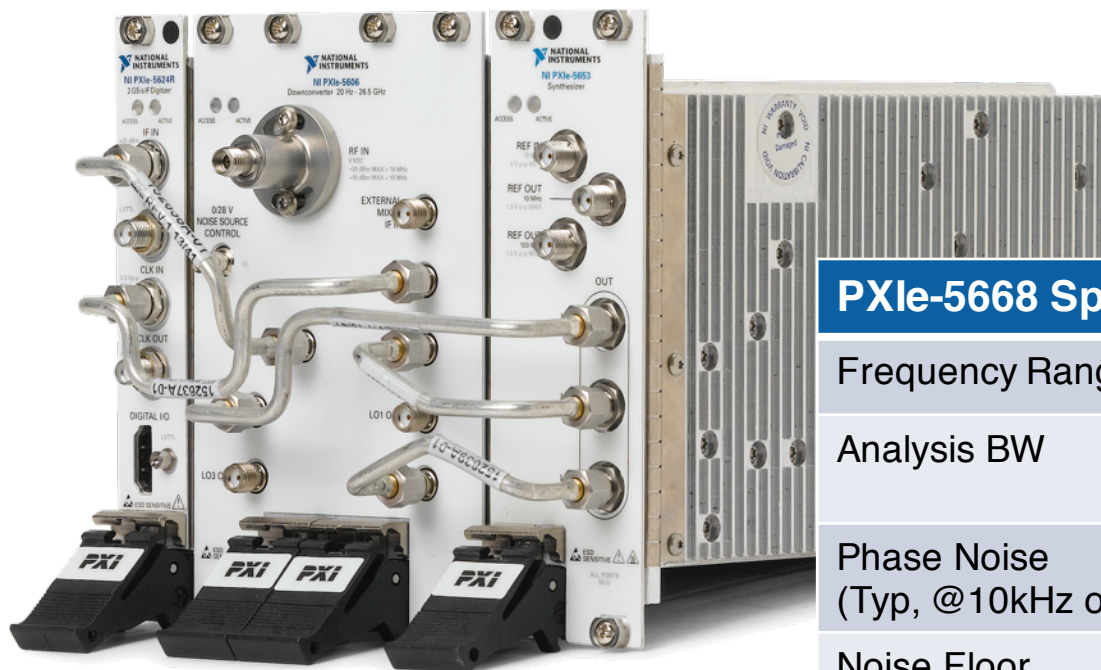
“Through rapid controller prototyping with the National Instruments LabVIEW FPGA Module, we could test and further develop on real hardware even before we started FPGA design.”

Brian Mann, Systems Engineer, Selex Sensors and Airborne Systems

# EW/SIGINT



# 26.5 GHz Vector Signal Analyzer



## PXIe-5668 Specifications

Frequency Range	20 Hz to 26.5 GHz
Analysis BW	320 MHz below 3.6 GHz 765 MHz above 3.6 GHz
Phase Noise (Typ, @10kHz offset)	-129 dBc/Hz at 1 GHz
Noise Floor	<-145 dBm/Hz (26 GHz)
TOI	>+20 dBm (26 GHz)
New Features	Kintex-7 410T FPGA Programmable with LabVIEW
Slots	7



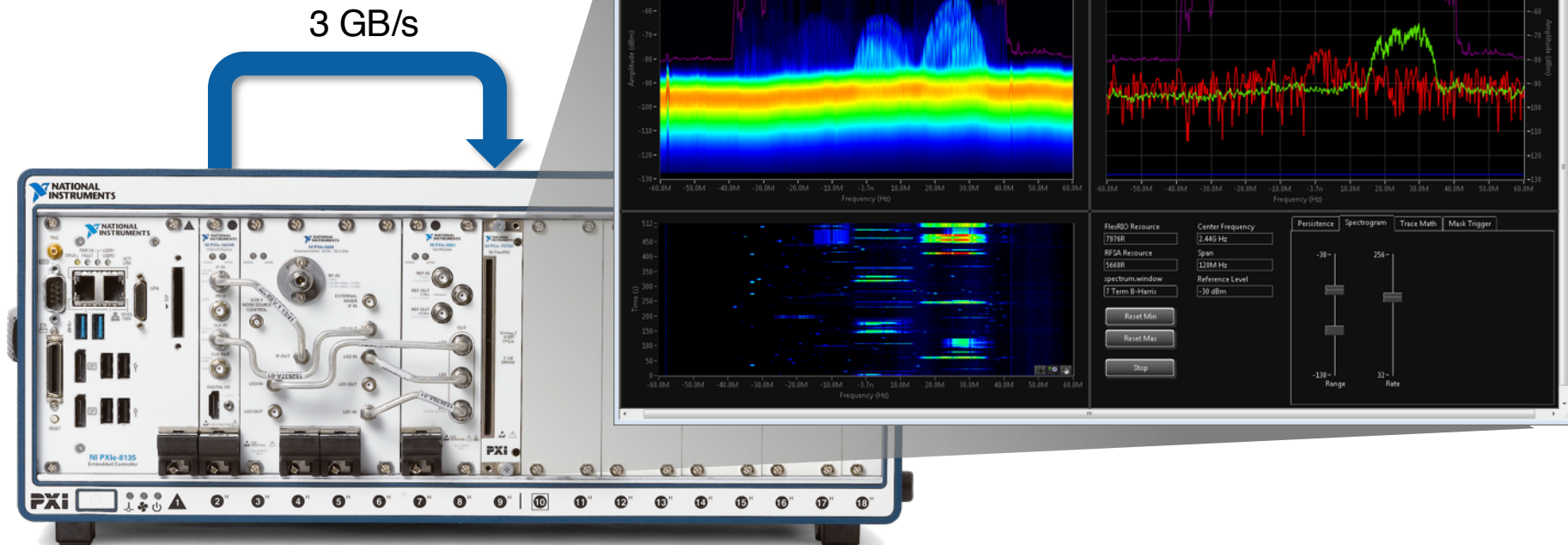
# PXIe-5654 + AE Signal Generator



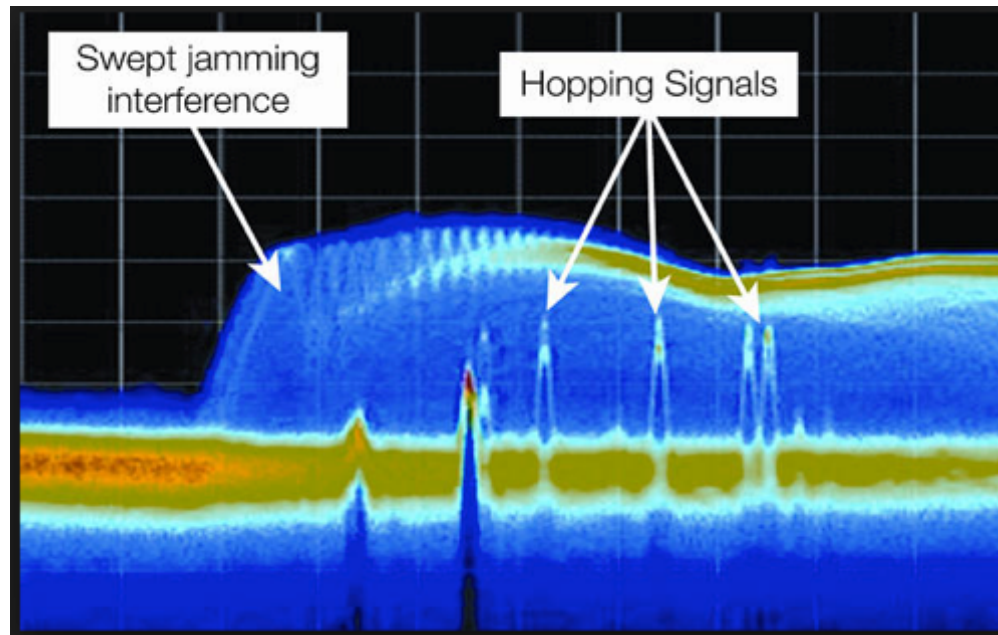
Specifications	
Frequency Range	250 kHz to <b>20 GHz</b>
Max. Output Power	<b>+24 dBm</b>
Attenuation	130 dB
Phase Noise (Typ, @10kHz offset)	-133 dBc/Hz @ 1GHz -122 dBc/Hz @ 10GHz
Switching Speed	100 $\mu$ s
Level Accuracy	$\pm 0.9$ dB
Harmonics (typ, +10dBm output)	<b>&lt; -50 dBc</b>
Pulse Modulation	80 dB on/off ratio, typ 15 ns rise/fall time

# Real-Time Spectrum Analysis

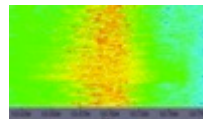
- Gapless persistence, spectrogram, and trace statistics (max hold, min hold, average) calculated on FPGA
- Ability to process up to 2 M FFTs/s using overlapped, windowed FFTs
- Real-time frequency mask triggering
- 100% probability of intercept (POI) minimum duration options:
  - 1  $\mu$ s or >15  $\mu$ s
- Source available upon request



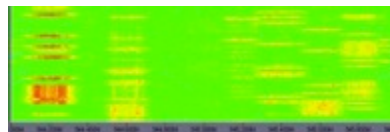
# FPGA Signal Processing and Visualization



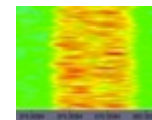
JTFA Images of Example  
Wireless Stds within  
Spectrum



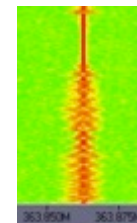
FM Radio  
(Stereo)



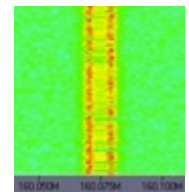
GSM



CDMA



Walkie-Talkie  
(FM)



Paging  
(FSK)

*Provided from VISN Spectrum Monitoring Toolkit*

# MILCOM

## Satellite Communications Spectrum

↑ = Uplink Band  
 ↓ = Downlink Band  
 ↔ Fwd = Forward Crosslink from TDRS (or DTRTS) satellite to orbiter  
 ↔ Rtn = Return Crosslink from orbiter to TDRS (or DTRTS) satellite  
 M = MHz  
 G = GHz



# NI USRP – SDR RF Algorithm Prototyping

## Tunable RF Transceiver Front Ends

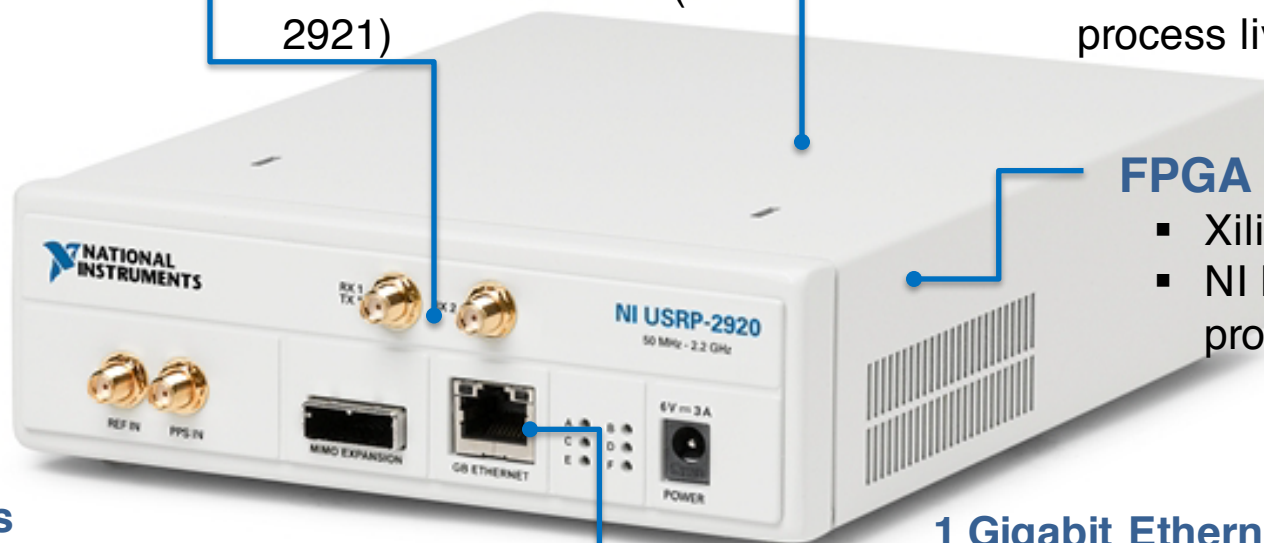
- Frequency Range
  - 50 MHz – 2.2 GHz (NI-2920)
  - 400 MHz – 4.4 GHz (NI 2922)
  - 2.4 GHz & 5.5 GHz (NI-2921)

## Signal Processing and Synthesis

- NI LabVIEW to develop and explore algorithms
- NI Modulation Toolkit and LabVIEW add-ons to simulate or process live signals

## FPGA

- Xilinx K7
- NI LabVIEW programmable



## Applications

- FM & AM Radio
- TV
- GPS
- LTE
- GSM
- Safety Radio
- OFDM
- Passive Radar
- Dynamic Spectrum Access
- ADS-B
- VOR ILS, ETC

## 1 Gigabit Ethernet Connectivity

- Plug-and-play capability
- Up to 25 MS/s baseband IQ streaming

# Evolution of RF and Microwave Instrumentations NI PXIe-5644R

*The World's First Vector Signal Transceiver*

- Up to 6.0 GHz frequency coverage
- Up to 200 MHz analysis bandwidth
- 32 pin High Speed bi-directional Digital
- Integrated RF generation, RF analysis and high-speed digital
- Low-cost, low-power, small footprint
- **Based on the NI LabVIEW RIO architecture**



# Satellite Communication: ISEE-3 Rebooted After 36 Years

Launch: Aug 12, 1978  
Contact: May 29, 2014

## Space explorer changes course *Probe could be retrieved*

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The American space probe that flew through the tail of a comet last September changed course and should swing back into orbit around Earth 28 years from now for possible retrieval by 21st century astronauts.

A series of rocket firings Mon-

day put the half-ton International Cometary Explorer on a path in its orbit around the sun that should send it whipping around the moon on Aug. 10, 2014.

"We are now targeted for the moon, but it's a long time away," said flight director Robert Farquhar at the Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Md. "I'm not going to be able to wait around."

The spacecraft was maneuvered out of its original Earth orbit by swinging around the sun, and the return close encounter with the moon is expected to place the craft back into an elongated Earth orbit.

There, Farquhar said the probe

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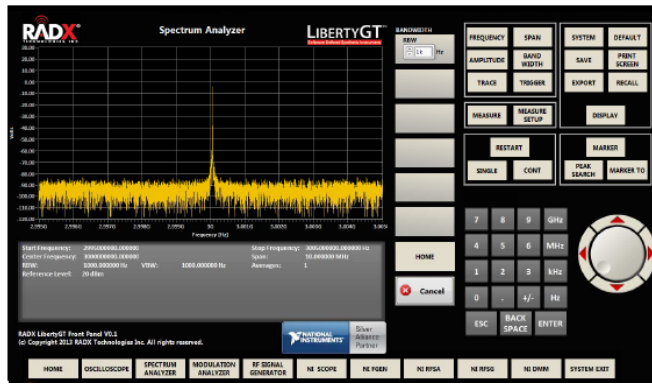
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# RADX LibertyGT – Radio Test Set



- RADX LibertyGT COTS Integrated Benchtop Enclosure
  - HD Touchscreen Display
  - Integrated RFIU
  - NI 1085 Components
- Specific COTS NI PXIe Modules
- RADX COTS Measurement Science
- Includes: DMM, Digitizer, CAN, 1553, A/V and more

The background image shows a military camp. In the foreground, there is a field of dry, yellowish grass with several strands of coiled barbed wire. Behind the wire, there are several military vehicles, including a tan Humvee in the center-left and larger trucks or trailers to the right. The vehicles are parked in front of a large, dark, tent-like structure. In the background, there are green trees under a clear blue sky.

“The National Instruments platform gave us the ability to significantly scale our production test throughput by 400 percent with ROI of 185 percent while rigidly maintaining the quality and performance standards that our military radios are known for.”

Joseph Nakoski, Engineering Director, RF Communications Division, Harris Corporation



# NAVIGATION

# CNS/CNI - Navigation

## ➤ Autonomous Navigation

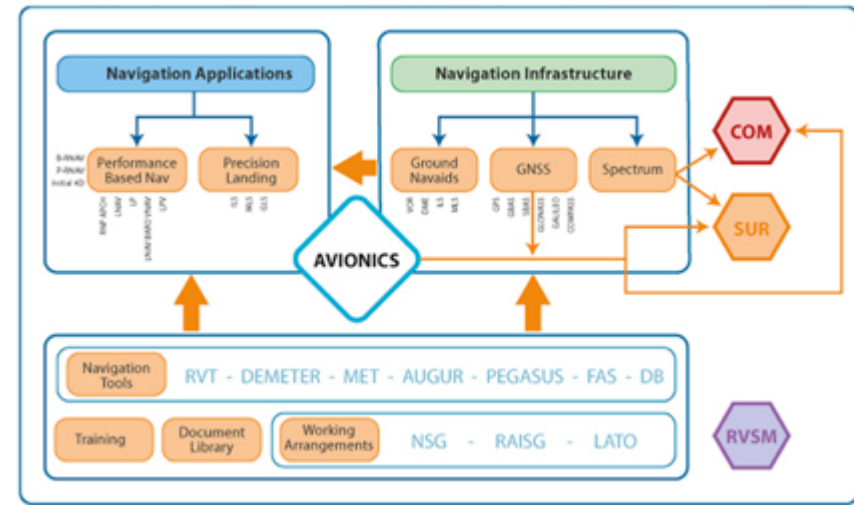
- Inertial
- Doppler (Radar Altimeter)

## ➤ Radio Navigation Aids

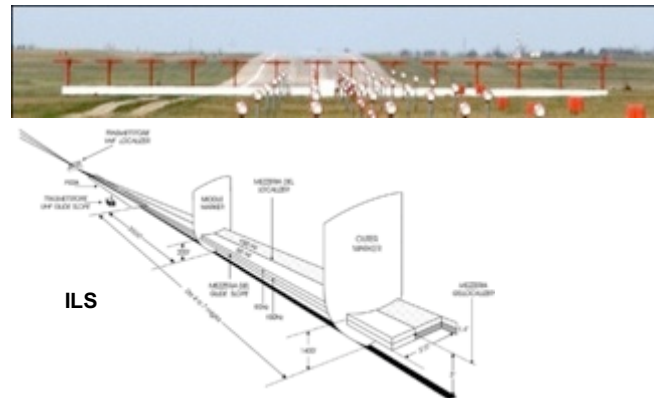
- VOR (VHF Ominidirectional Range)
- D-VOR (Doppler VOR)
- DME (Distance Measuring Equipment)
- ILS and MLS for landing
- TACAN (TACTical Air Navigation) – military version of DME
- SSR/IFF

## ➤ Satellite Navigation

- GNSS
  - GPS (EGNOS)
  - Galileo
  - Glonass



<http://www.ecacnav.com/Home>



D-VOR/DME ground station

# Full Synthetic Instrument for Navigation

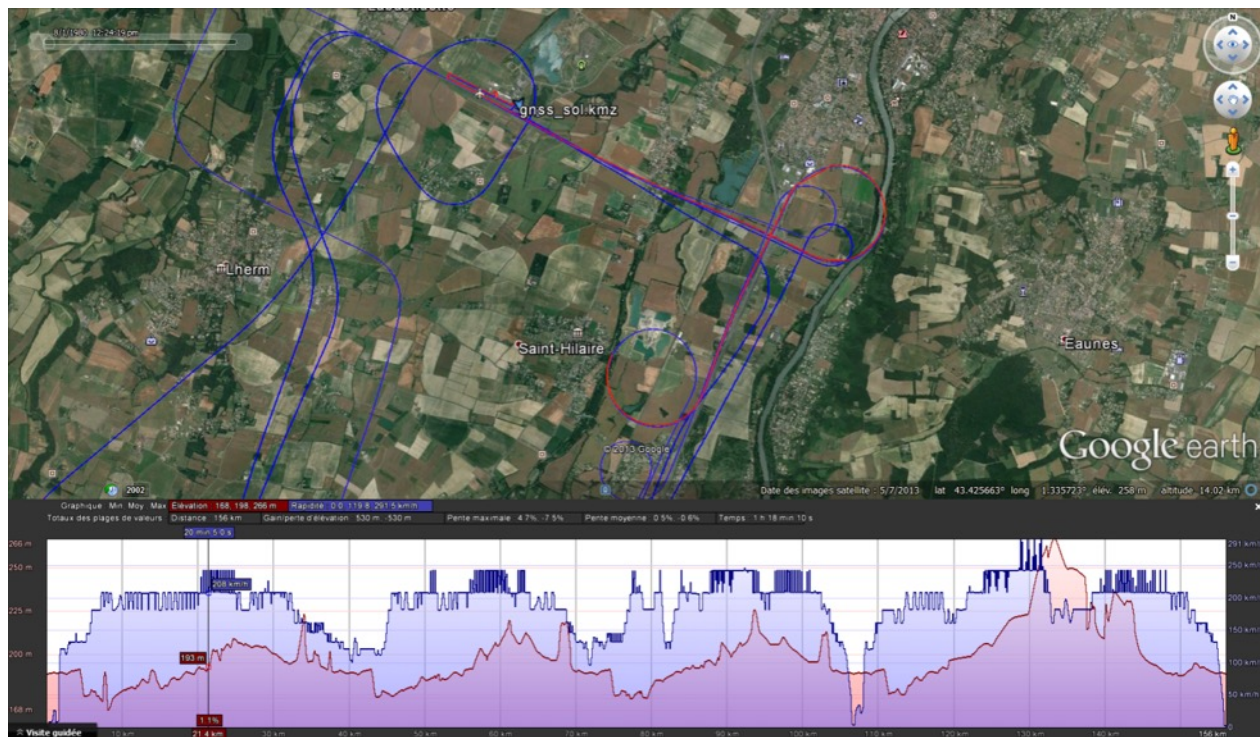
RNAV	Frequency Range
MB	75 MHz
VOR	108.00 - 117.95 MHz
ILS	Localizer: 108.1 - 111.95 MHz Glide Path: 329.15 - 335.00 MHz
NDB	190 - 513 KHz
DME	962 - 1213 MHz
TACAN	960 - 1215 MHz
TCAS (SSR)	Transmit on 1030 MHz; Receive on 1090 MHz
ADS-B	1090 MHz (1090ES) 978 MHz (UAT)
IFF	Different Interrogator/Reply Freq (e.g. 1030 MHz / 1090 MHz)
GNSS	GPS: L-Band GALILEO: L-Band GLONASS: L-Band



# GNSS – Antenna Testing

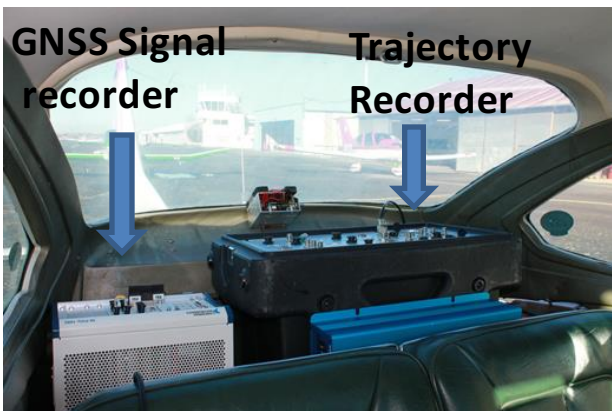
- Comparison based receiver testing

GNSS Antenna



GNSS Signal recorder

Trajectory Recorder



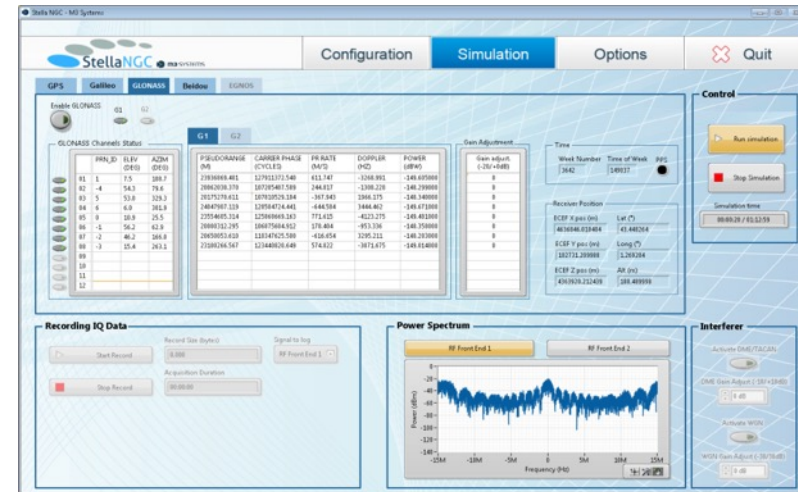


# One Solution – M3 Systems StellaNGC

- Integrated and modular Solution
- Upgradable hardware and software
- Unified platform
- V&V phases optimization
- Investments optimization
- M3S Software design radio (SDR)
- LabVIEW environment
- NI Vector Signal Transceiver Technology
- Compatible with automation test environment in API version

**Signal  
Simulation**

**Record &  
Replay**

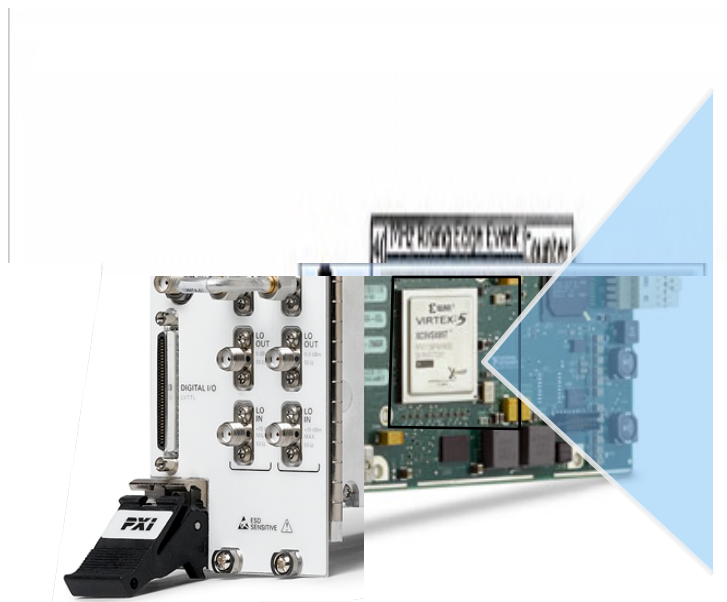


**TestStand™**

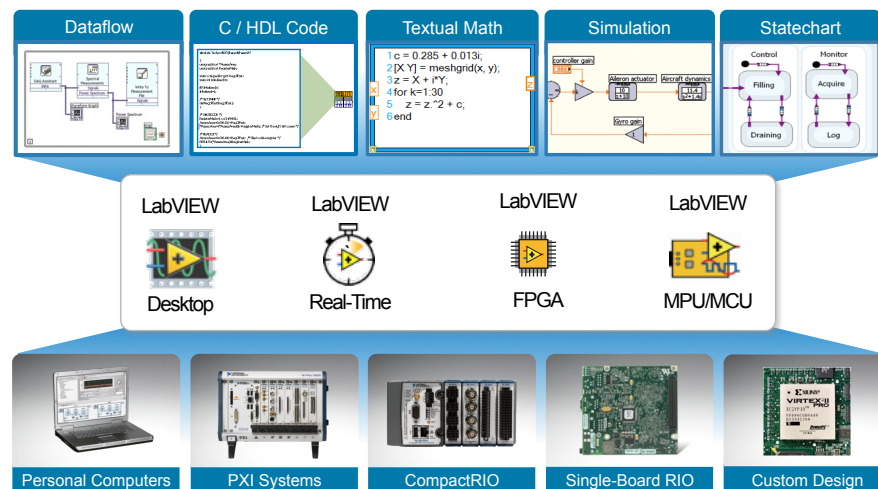




# Redefining RF and Microwave Instrumentation



FPGA-based Hardware  
Architecture



Graphical System Design  
with LabVIEW

## Software-Designed Instrumentation

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Thank you for your time!