

# Developing & Testing Automotive Software on Multi-SoC ECU Architectures using Virtual Prototyping

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Synopsys

# Agenda

- Automotive Trend Towards *less* ECUs/*more* Integration
- MCU SoC RTOS and Applications
- Simple ADAS Demonstration
- Demonstration Video and Results.
- Summary

***Consumers who arrived in Las Vegas for the 2017 Consumer Electronics Show—one of the premiere exhibitions of new technologies for the general public—might have wondered if they were at an auto show.***

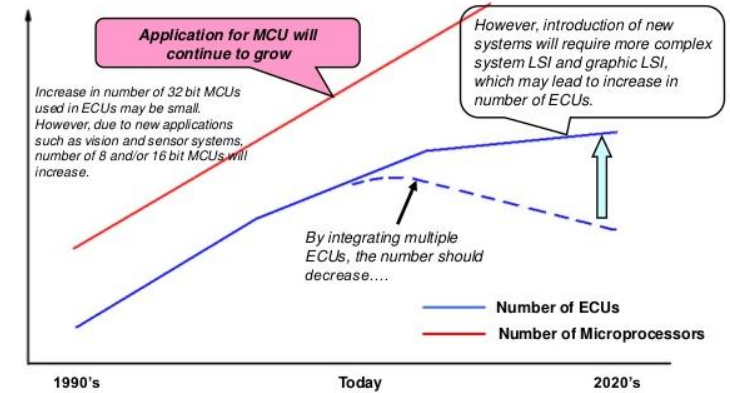
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# Less is More!

## *Less ECUs... More Integration*

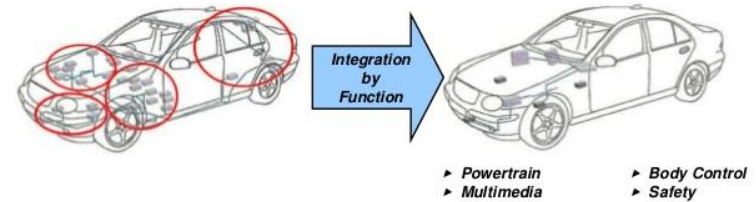
- **Demands for more complex and more powerful features in Automotive is rapidly driving technology.**
  - **Infotainment:** Connectivity, SWOTA and Security
  - **ADAS:** autonomous driving, sensor fusion.
  - **Gateway:** High bandwidth traffic routing and consolidation
  - **Powertrain, Chassis:** Hybrid, Electric, Integrated need for timing critical responses.
- **These accelerating demands are leading to:**
  - Large compute core clusters.
  - Integrated MCU domains with Compute Clusters.
  - Integrated 'smart' communication gateways
  - Unprecedented challenges in Automotive Software Development.



Nikkei Automotive Technology

Approx. 60 to 100 ECUs

Integrated into 4 function groups



Integration of approx. 60 to 100 ECUs to 4F groups.

Toyota Motors has announced that they will integrate ECUs to 4 function groups. 4 function groups are:

1. Powertrain 2. Body Control 3. Multimedia 4. Safety

Toyota Motor Company



# SW Development and Test Challenges

## *Unprecedented Solutions Required*

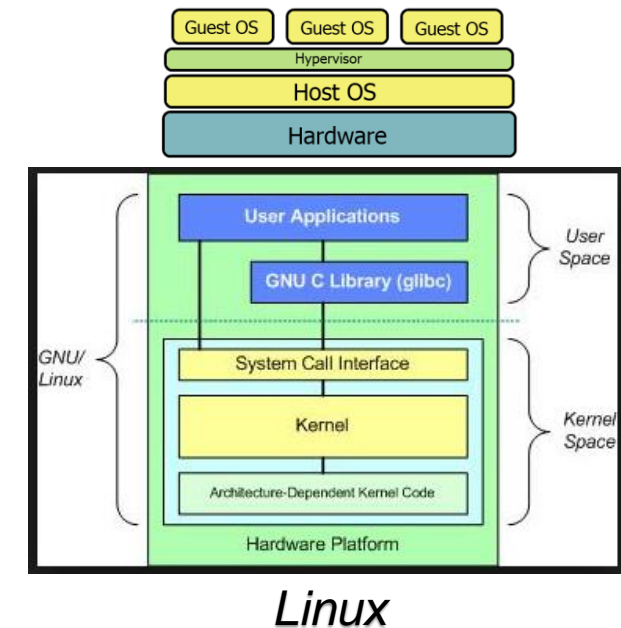
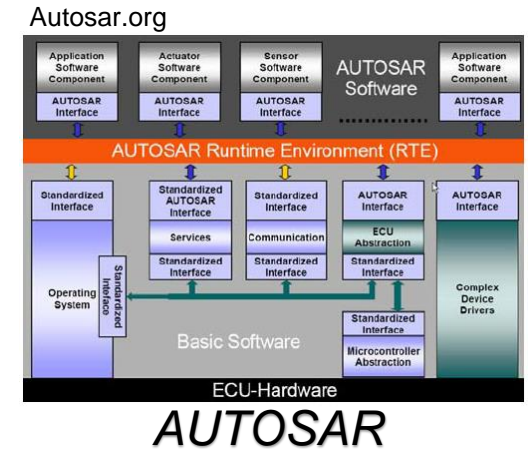
- **Software Development and Verification**
  - Debugging of high complexity multicore problems.
  - Difficult to expose and detect underlying problems when functionality is correct.
    - Software performance, driver setup errors.....
- **System Integration with Tool and Hardware Test Ecosystem**
  - HIL testing is on the critical path
  - Complex and costly system level verification.
- **Functional Safety Testing.**
  - More software, More features, More tests.
  - Need to cover more to increase Software quality (ISO26262)
- **Communications Verification.**
  - Large Scale High Bandwidth Multi-Protocol Verification.
  - CAN, LIN, ETHERNET, SPI, PCIe, FLEXRAY, I2C



# MCU/SOC Real-time Operating Systems

## *AUTOSAR + Linux – Demand Real Time Performance*

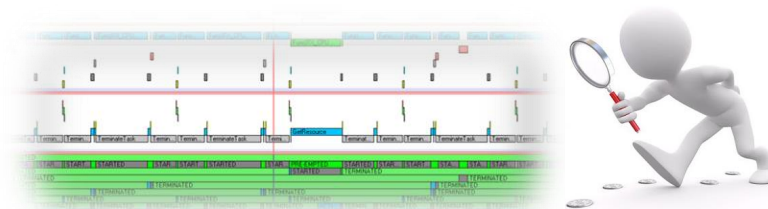
- **Automotive chips with defined core clusters and domains.**
  - Multiple OS on same silicon – Linux, AUTOSAR, Qnx etc.
  - Application specific domains with hypervisors.
- **Typical MCUs (or MCU domains) still need to..**
  - Meet strict timing requirements for sensor and I/O servicing.
- **AUTOSAR is built on the OSEK/VDX OS specification**
  - Predictable and precise scheduling.
  - Still the dominating choice for Timing and Safety Critical
- **Mixed Linux and AUTOSAR clusters commonplace.**
- **Linux dominating choice for compute intensive apps.**



# ECU OS Application Development Challenges

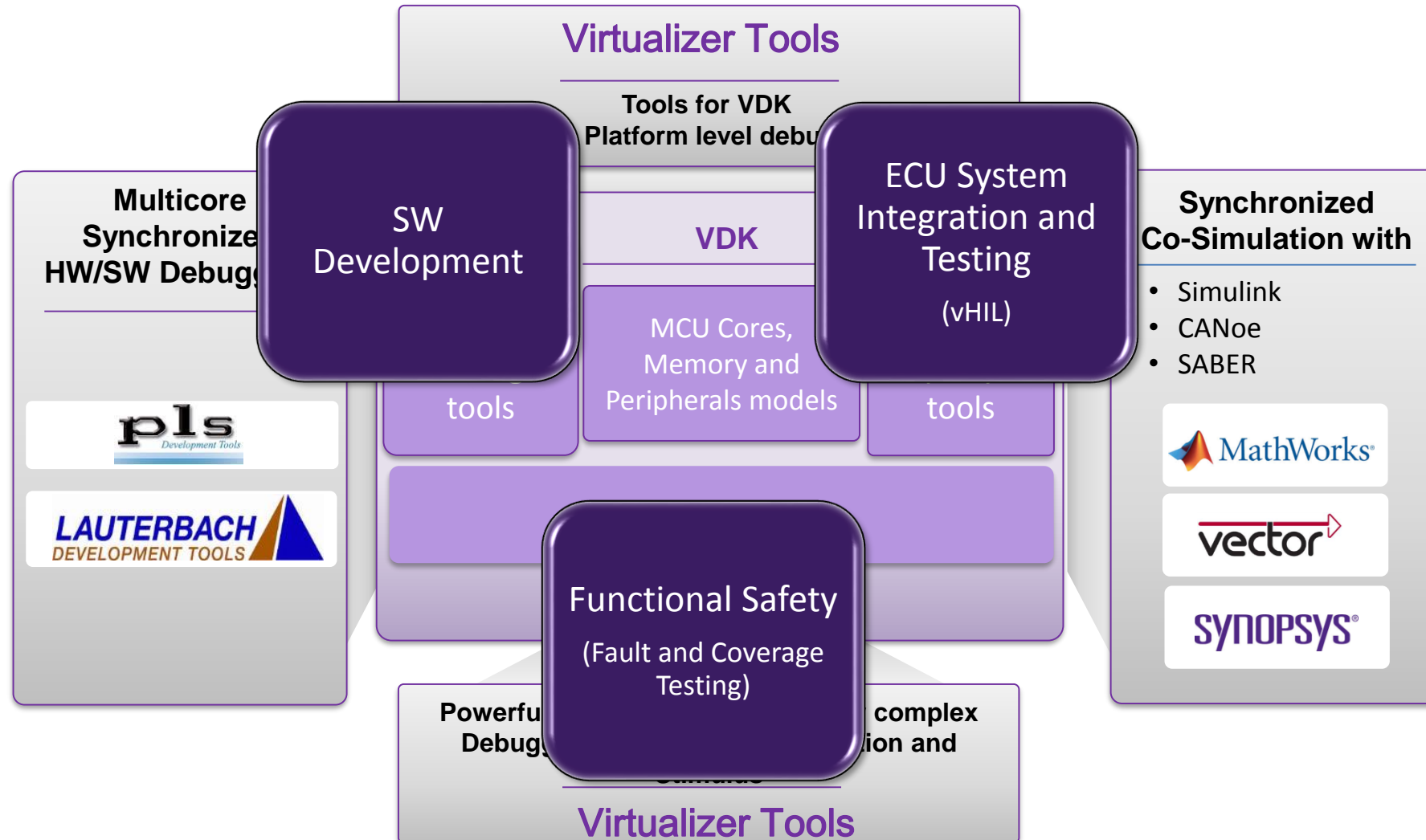
*OS Scheduling is typically not high visibility*

- **Multicore applications need careful mapping to maximize performance**
  - How can we validate these requirements?
- **High bandwidth multicore resource access is crucial for high performance**
  - How can that be verified under a changing SW load?
- **Changing Automotive standards and versions is ongoing.**
  - Re-verification of AUTOSAR versions is a big effort.
- **On-Chip, multi domain silicon (AUTOSAR + Linux etc) with hypervisors..**
  - Requires integration tasks previously not seen on previous generation chips.
- **High degrees of visibility into the OS is required to satisfy these challenges.**



# Virtualizer Development Kit

*VDK - More than just simulation models*





# Embedded Software Code Coverage

Functional Safety and Coverage Based Fault  
Injection

# SW Verification and Test Challenges

*ISO26262 guidelines are challenging for large scale projects*

- **Software Quality is key for Automotive products.**

- **Challenges with Safety Management**



- **Specified Failures (handled)**

- Failures that can happen and have specified hardware behaviour.
- Communications errors, power or clock tree faults



- **Unexpected Failures (not handled)**

- Failures not expected to happen and unspecified hardware behaviour.
- Driver set-up errors, open/short circuit, transients, EMC

- **Meeting these challenges with quantifiable SW coverage metrics is key to qualifying SW quality with safety critical systems.**

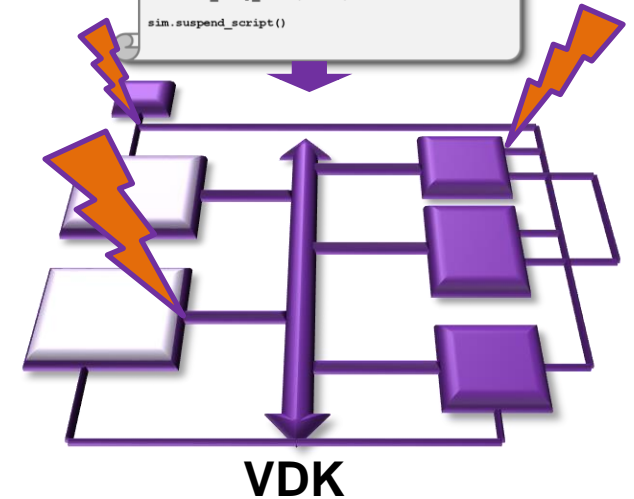
# Virtual Prototypes for Functional Safety

*ISO26262 guidelines are challenging for large scale projects*

- Virtual Prototypes provide a framework for advanced fault-injection (Simulation Probes)
- Simulation Probes used to influence the HW from outside the SW.
- Virtual Prototypes can be used to make testing more cost-effective through code-coverage measurements
- Fault Injection testing can be automated and measured during regressions
- May be used as testing evidence for certification

## Simulation Probes

```
import sim
Core = sim.CoreProbe("/Hardware/Core0")
Reset = sim.BoolProbe("/Hardware/ResetGen/Port1")
Data = sim.UintProbe("/Hardware/Uart/Data")
sim.wait_for(10,'ms')
Reset.set_clamp_value("true")
sim.suspend_script()
```



# Code Coverage Overview

*Functional Safety Testing made more efficient*

- eSW Code coverage helps achieving cost-effective testing, i.e. same result with fewer tests (eliminate redundant tests)
- What to measure?
  - **Function Coverage:** Has each function in SW been called?
  - **Call Coverage:** Has each different function been covered once?
  - **Statement Coverage:** Has each statement in the SW been executed?
  - **Branch Coverage:** has each possible branch been taken?
  - **Decision coverage** has every decision taken all possible outcomes at least once?
  - **Condition coverage** has each Boolean sub-expression evaluated both true and false?
  - **Modified Condition/Decision Coverage (MCDC)**

Supported natively in Virtualizer

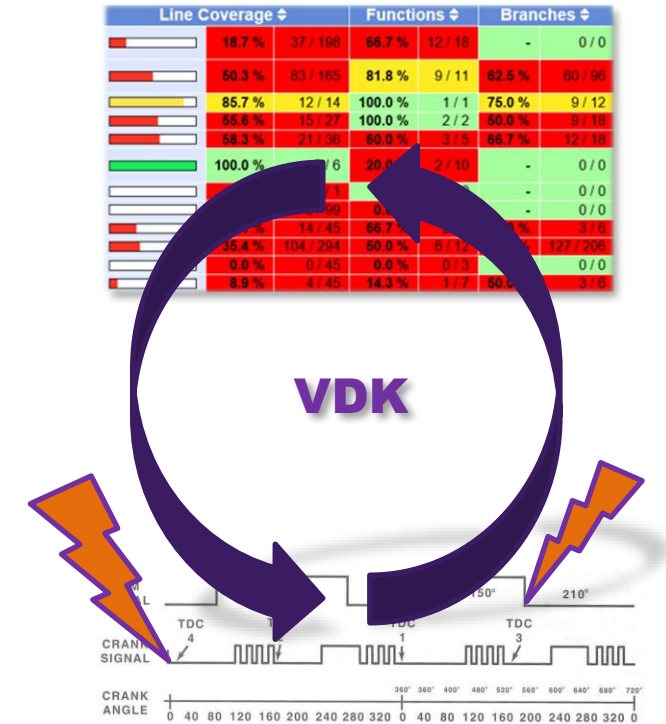


Supported by tool integration (Tessy, T32)

# Coverage Based Fault Injection Flow

*Functional Safety Testing made easier*

- **Flow**
  - Gather Coverage Metrics
  - Use **Fault Injection** and **Stimulus** Generation to fill the gaps
  - Re-run Coverage Metrics and **Re-evaluate**
- **Can be used for ‘Hard to Test’ Scenarios**
  - Signal Integrity Problems -Transients, “Stuck At” issues
  - Damaging Power based faults.
  - Test cascading effects applicable from driver to application.
- **Highly complimentary flow to ISO26262 guidelines.**
- **Let Coverage metrics tell you what needs to be covered**
- **Use Simulation Probes to add Coverage and increase quality**



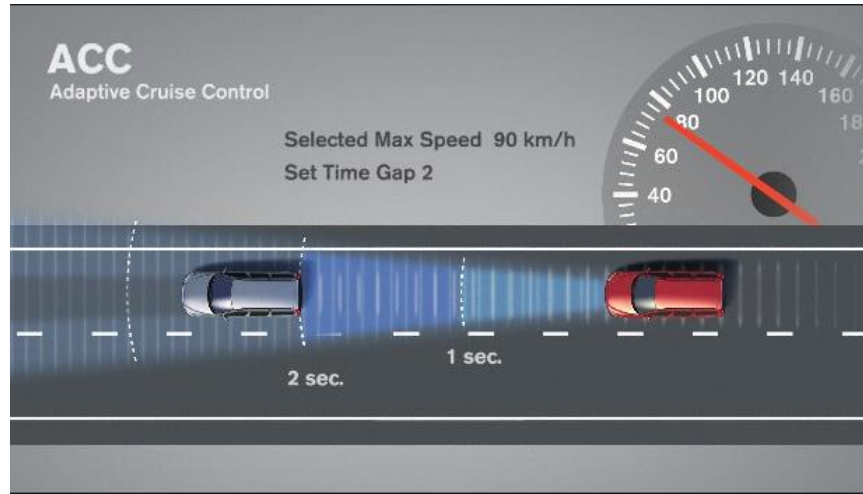


# ADAS Feature Demonstration

Simple ADAS Demonstration on System ECUs  
(SoC + Gateway) + MCU )

# Simple ADAS Feature Demonstration

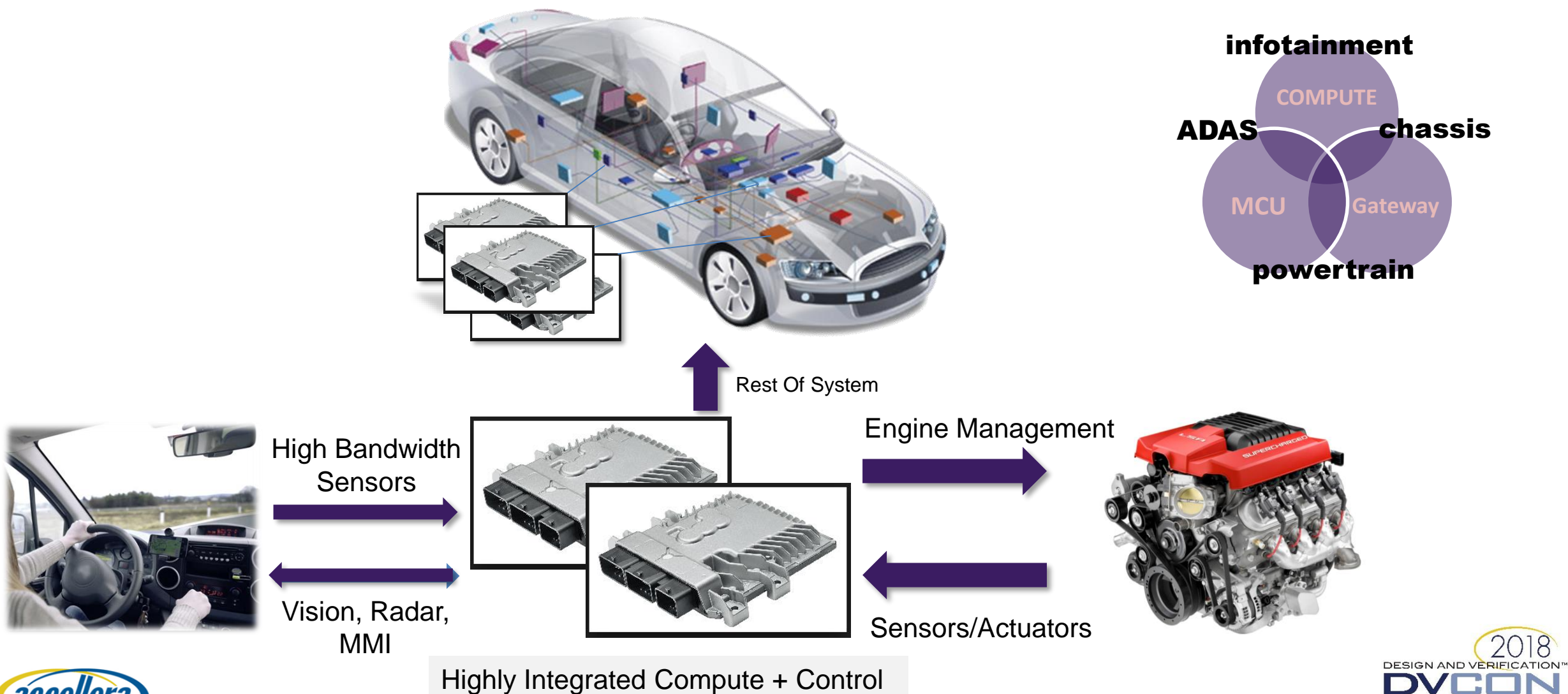
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- **Cruise Control (and the more involved Adaptive Cruise Control) is a good example of a simple ADAS feature.**
  - **Cruise Control** Ability to maintain speed at a user defined level considering the effects of the environment.
  - **Adaptive Cruise Control:** Ability to maintain speed and distance from surrounding vehicles.

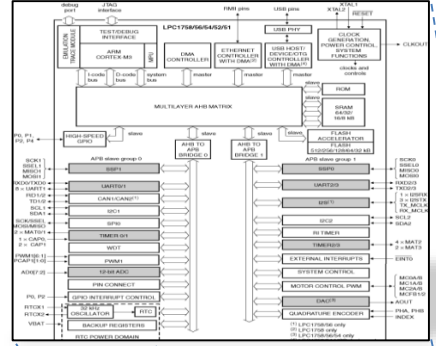
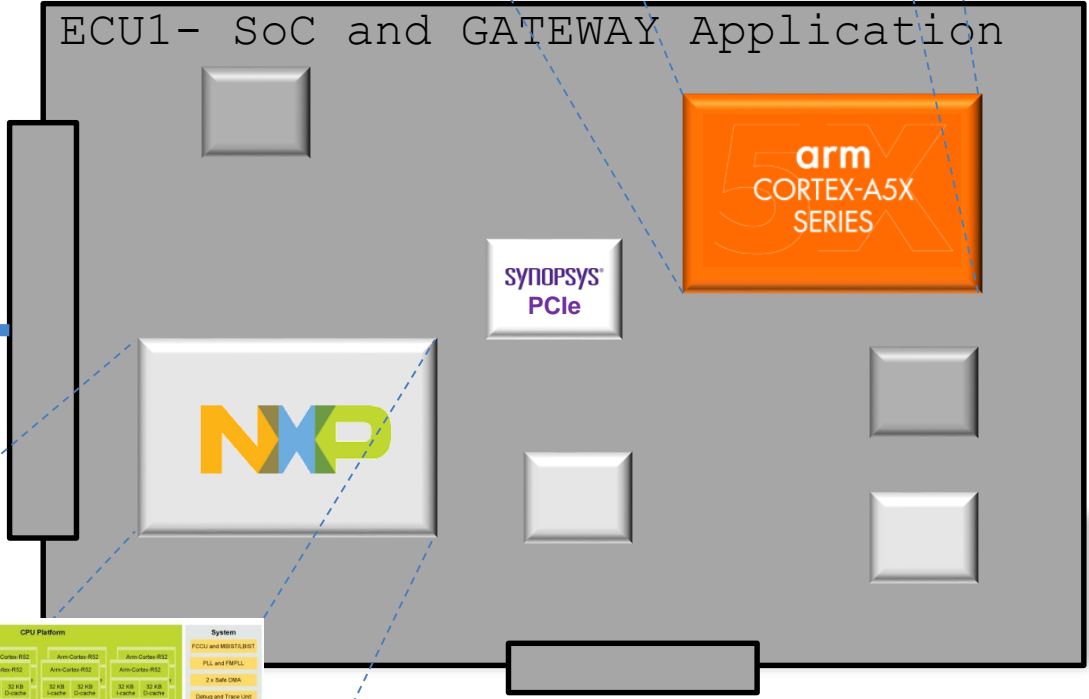
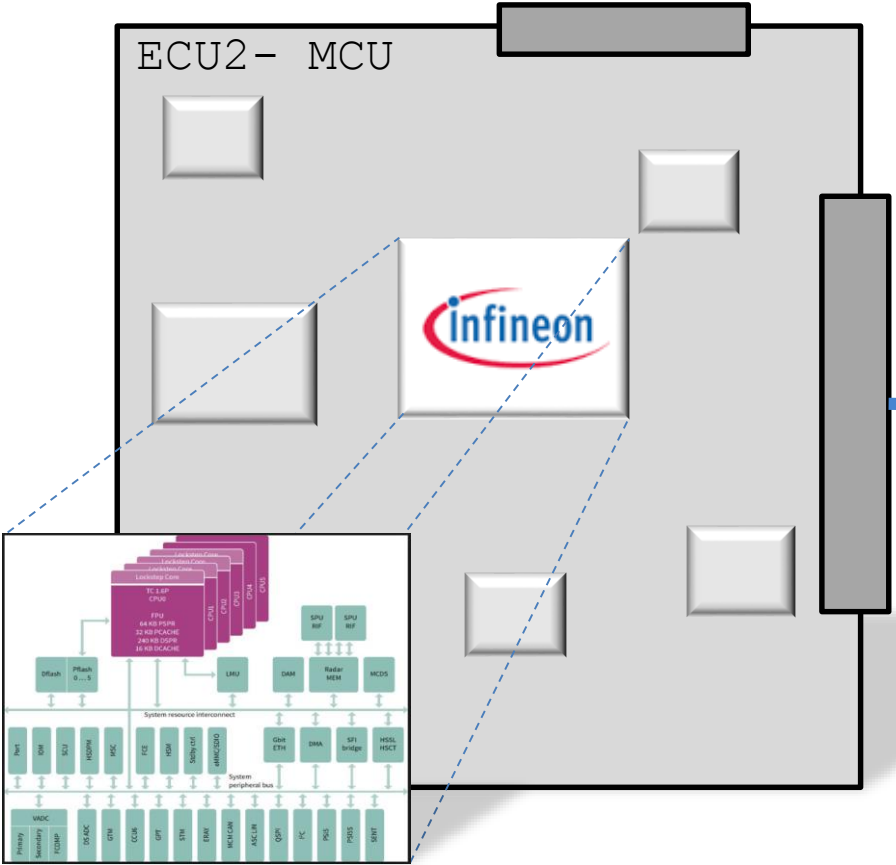
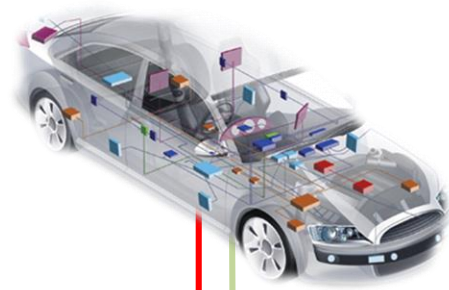
**We will look at an example interaction of multiple ECUs in delivering this feature.**

# ADAS, Compute, Control and the ECU



# System ECU Hardware Example

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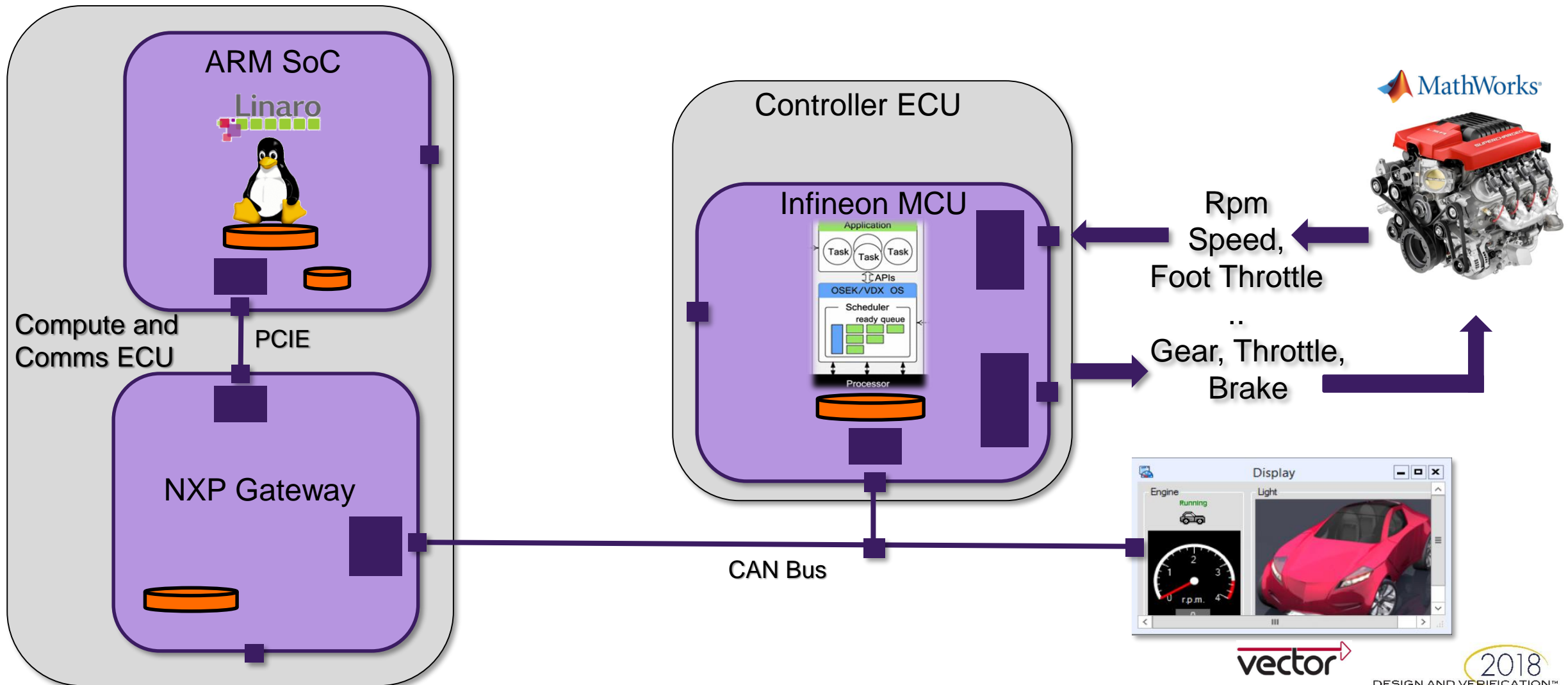
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# Simple ADAS System ECU Demonstration

- **Automatic Gearbox SW implementation**
  - Control the gearbox in ALL modes, based on current engine state
- **Simple Cruise Control Override**
  - Override the manual throttle but accept increments and decrements to the chosen speed.
- **Adaptive Cruise Control**
  - Test MCU responsiveness in a tracking scenario of forward vehicle.
- **Simple Automatic Avoidance Measures**
  - Emergency Stop, Safe Stop etc.
- **SoC running Linux with Simple Drive Cycle Test Application**
- **Gateway MCU coordinating CAN/PCIE communication with SoC and MCU.**
- **MCU running AUTOSAR variant.**



# System vHIL Simulation



# SoC DriveApp

## Communication with Gateway

- Simple Linux Application running on ARMv7 CPU\_SS – DriveApp
- Communicates with Gateway MCU through PCIe in the ARMv7 design (Linux Console App)

PCIE Driver

```
Simulation Output Console Details Memory Terminal UART_PHY UART_1
| Drive Application (v2.0) |
|-----|
Type a command:
0. Manual Override
1. Safe Stop
2. Emergency Stop
3. Cruise Control On
4. Cruise Speed Reference Increment Speed
5. Cruise Speed Reference Decrement Speed
6. Auto Drive Mode
7. Auto Drive Mode Adaptive
8. Exit the program
7
(00:00:23) CMD (MANOV) Speed(82) RPM(2826) Dist(292) Req Cruise Speed(0)
(00:00:24) CMD (MANOV) Speed(83) RPM(2847) Dist(300) Req Cruise Speed(0)
(00:00:24) CMD (MANOV) Speed(84) RPM(2877) Dist(312) Req Cruise Speed(0)
(00:00:25) CMD (MANOV) Speed(85) RPM(2898) Dist(320) Req Cruise Speed(0)
(00:00:25) CMD (MANOV) Speed(85) RPM(2924) Dist(332) Req Cruise Speed(0)
-> Enabling Auto Control: Cruise Enabled
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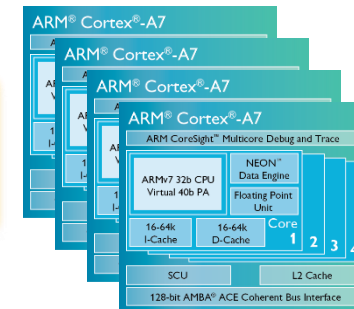
DriveApp

```
pedd.c SOC_Linux_MC... mcu_soc_seri... mcu_vpscrip... mcu_command... 33
1943 )
1944 static long pedd_ioctl(struct file *filp, unsigned int cmd, unsigned long arg)
1945 {
1946     struct pedd_dev *priv = filp->private_data;
1947     int ret = 0;
1948     char ping_str[20] = "hello from pedd";
1949     static CHAR msg[MAX_MSG_SIZE];
1950     CMD_INFO cmdinfo;
1951
1952     PciCfg_GetHeader_USER_OUT pci_hdr;
1953
1954     Pci_Header_Read hdr_read;
1955     Pci_Header_Write hdr_write;
1956     Pci_Bar_Read bar_read;
1957     Pci_Bar_Write bar_write;
1958
1959     UINT32 num, xferSize, status, bar;
1960     int rc;
1961
1962     INFO_PRINT("pedd_ioctl Enter, cmd = 0x%x\n", cmd);
1963
1964     switch (cmd)
1965     {
1966         case PED_IOCTL_PING:
```

PCIE  
Root  
Complex

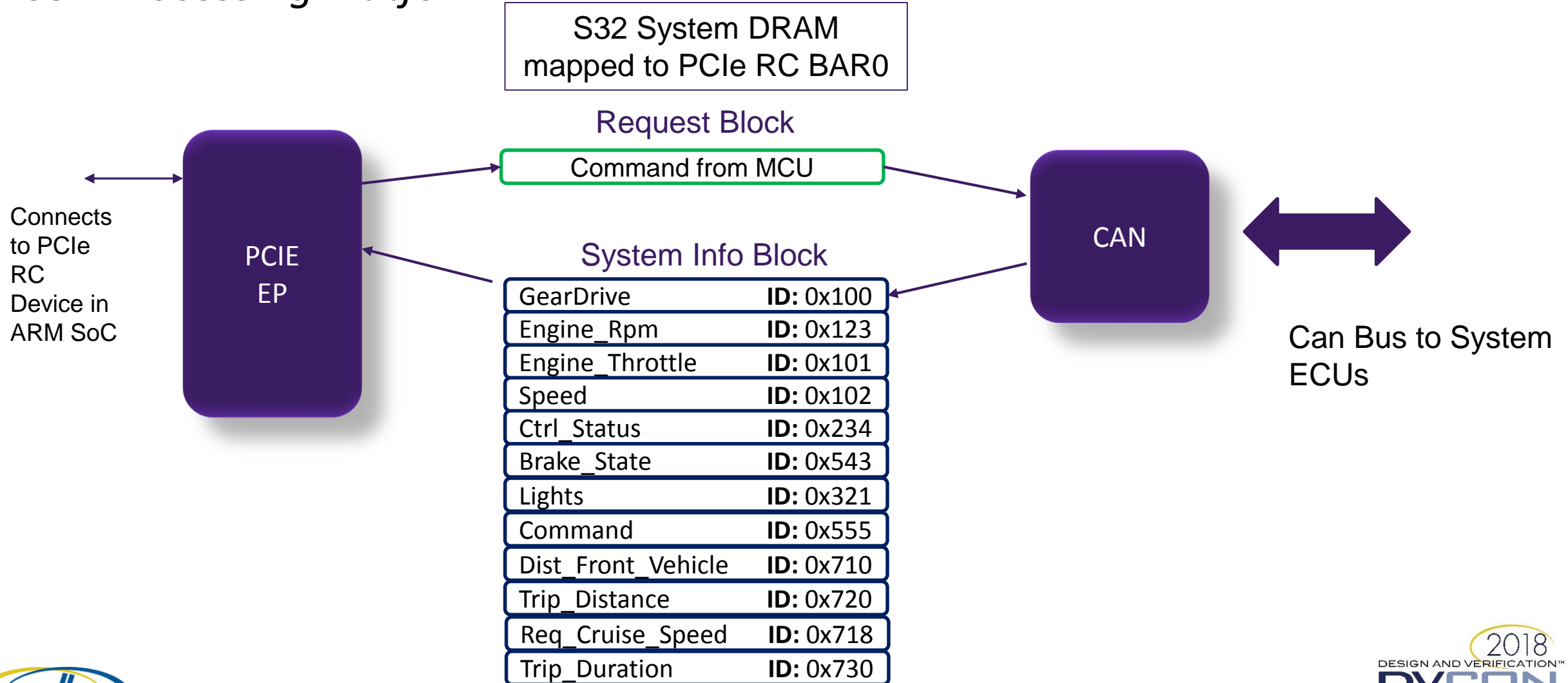
Connects  
to PCIe  
EP  
Device in  
Gateway

ARMv7 SP  
CPU\_SS



# Gateway Application

## *S32 Processing Platform*



# Gateway Software Tasks

Task Func.	OS Task Schedule	Description
OS_TASK_10MS	10 ms	Update PCIe System Data Structure with CAN data
OS_TASK_20MS	20 ms	Get Trip Speed , Trip Time and Trip Distance
OS_TASK_50MS	50 ms	Send CAN messages
OS_TASK_100MS	100 ms	Get the command data from the MCU
OS_TASK_200MS	200 ms	Calculate Trip Distance Travelled

# MCU Multicore AUTOSAR Task Mapping

Task Func.	OS Task Schedule	CPU ID	Description
task_sensors	10 ms	CPU0	Reading Sensor Interface Data
task_gearbox	50 ms	CPU2	Controls Gearbox based on Engine State
task_drive_modes	80 ms	CPU2	Processes User Modes Modes are <i>Manual, SafeStop, EmergencyStop, Cruise Control.</i>
task_transmit_can	20 ms	CPU1	Writing Engine State to CAN bus
task_output_drive	30 ms	CPU0	Updating MCU Engine state to the System
task_comms	100 ms	CPU1	Reading user commands Sent to the MCU

CPU0 = Master CPU1=Slave CPU2=Slave

*Basic Tasks and Background Tasks not shown.*



# MCU CAN BUS System Interface Spec.

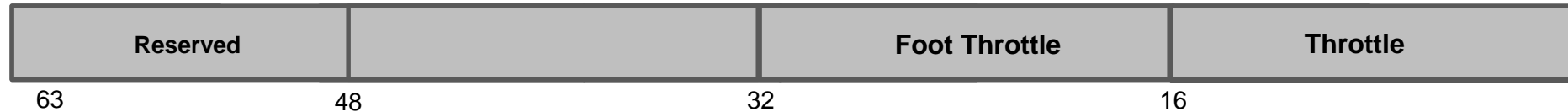
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MCU\_Engine\_Rpm ID: 0x123



MCU\_Engine\_Throttle ID: 0x101



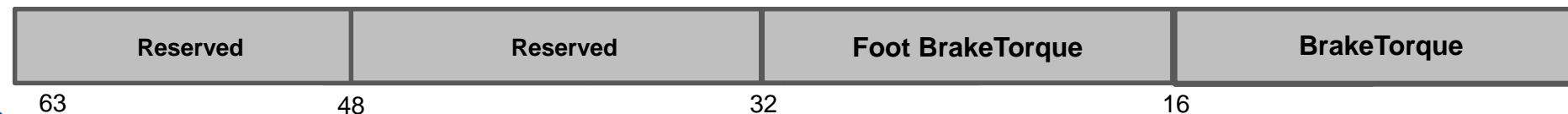
MCU\_Speed ID: 0x102



MCU\_Ctrl\_Status ID: 0x234



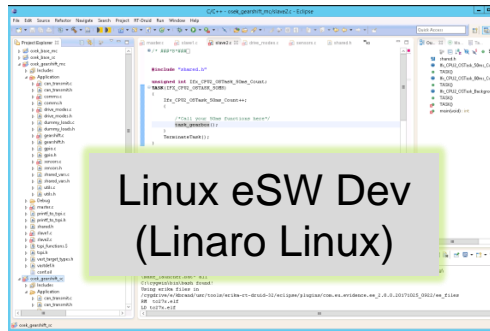
MCU\_Brake\_State ID: 0x543



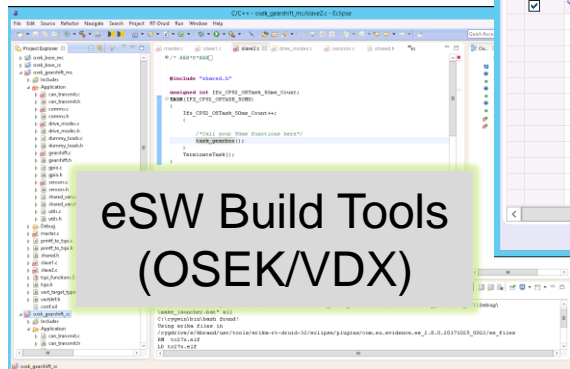
# Virtualizer VDK vHIL

(Infineon + NXP + ARM v7)

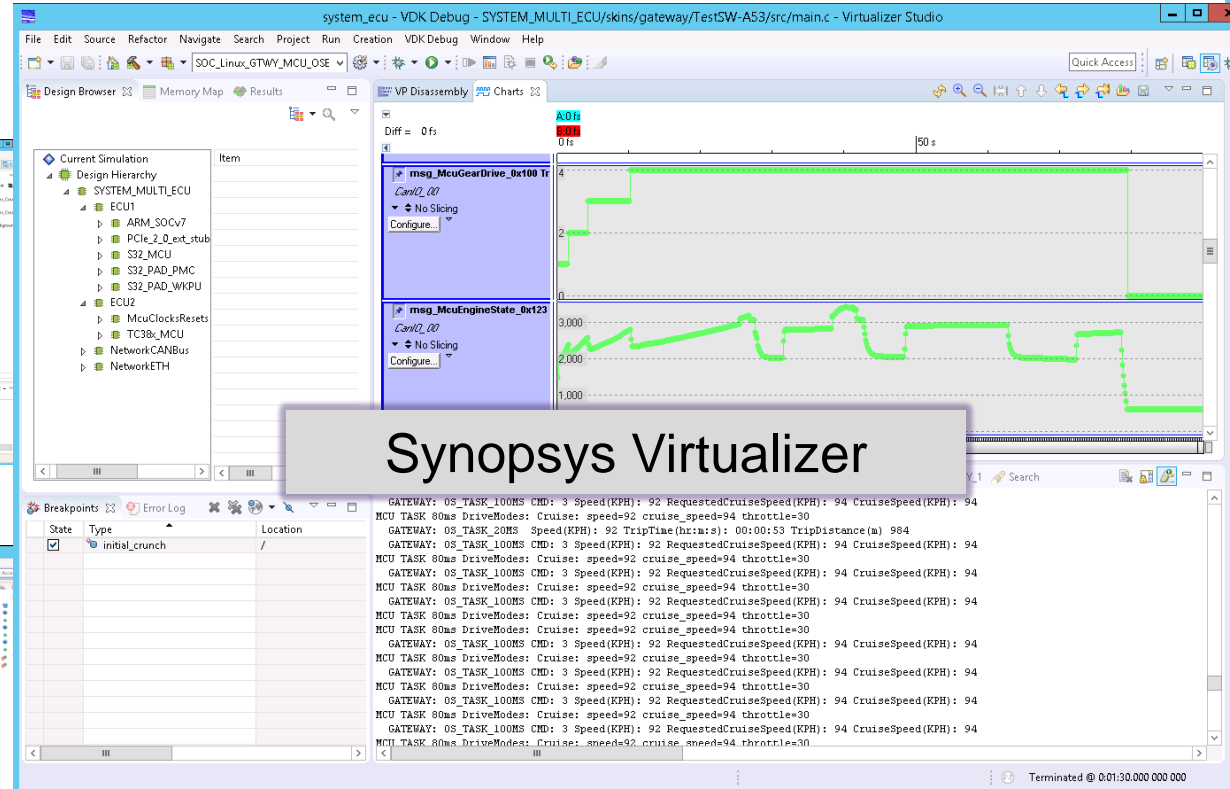
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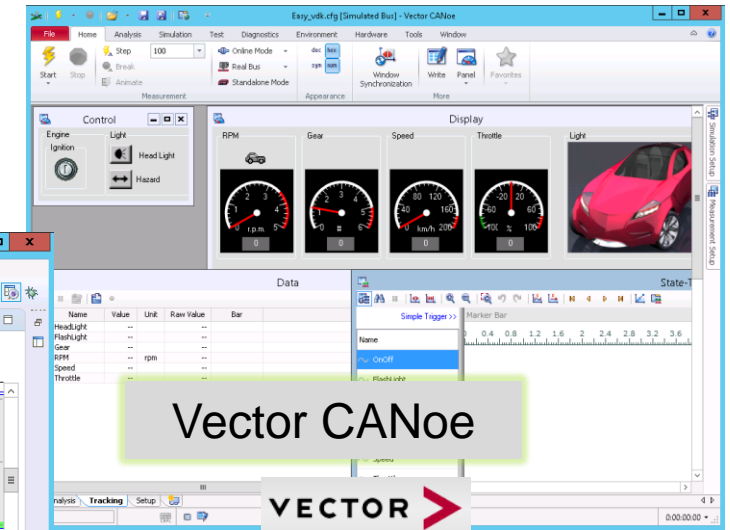
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eSW Build Tools  
(OSEK/VDX)

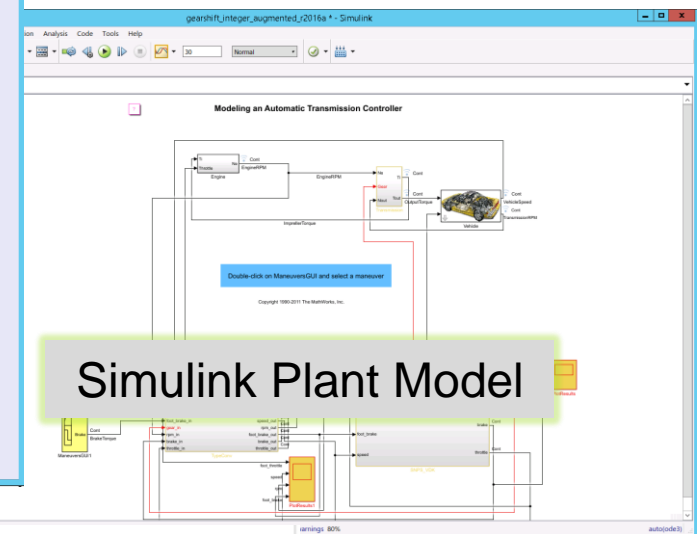


Synopsys Virtualizer



Vector CANoe

VECTOR



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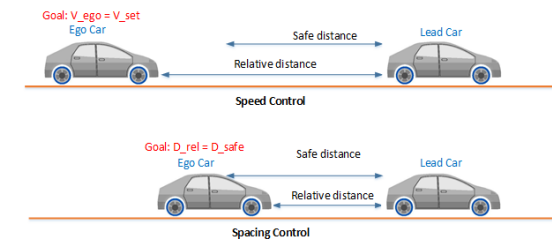
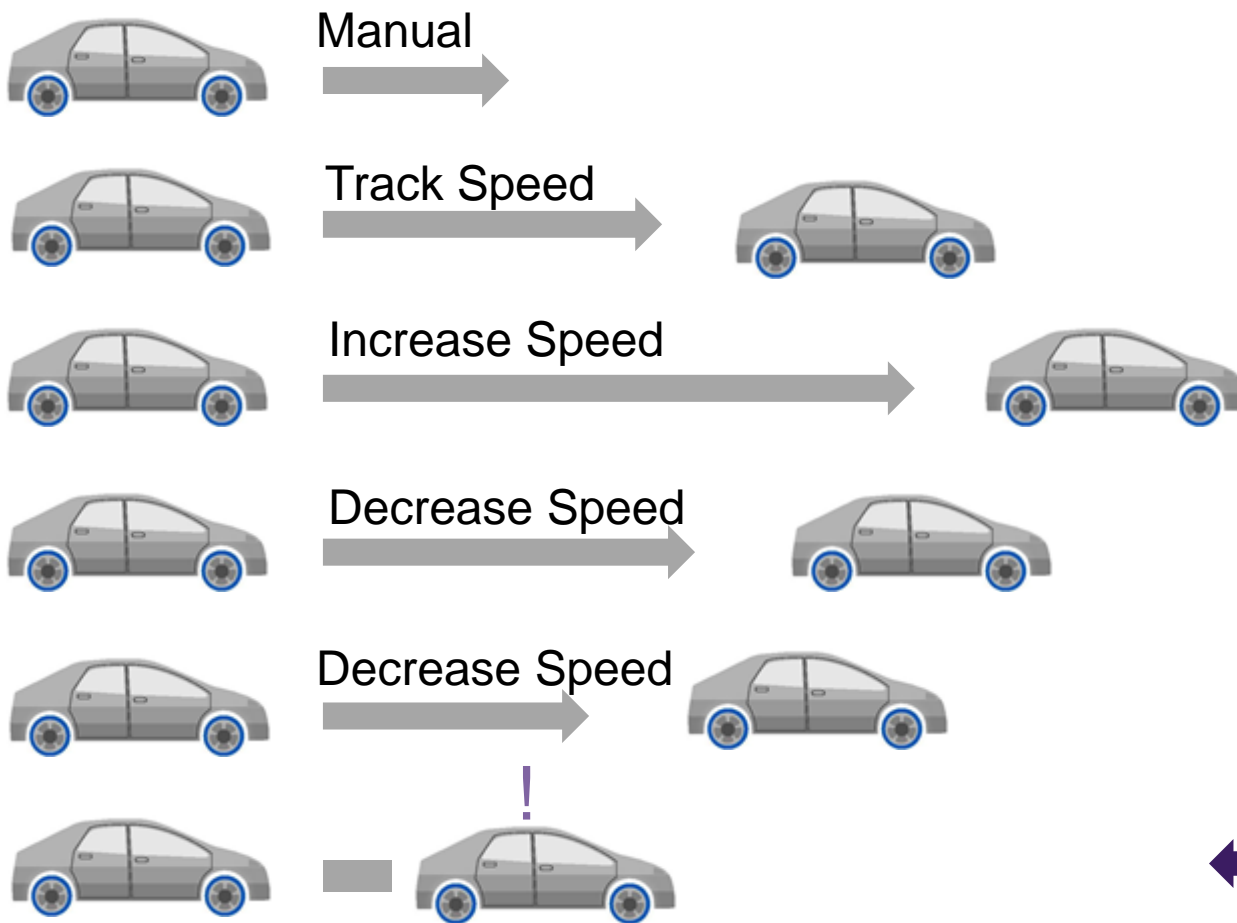


# Demonstration

- **SoC Functionality**
  - Application Behaviour
  - Drive Cycle Mode Testing
  - eSW Debugging
- **Gateway Functionality**
  - Communications Visualisation
  - eSW Debugging
- **MCU Functionality**
  - Ecosystem Tools Connectivity (Simulink/Vector CANoe)
  - AUTOSAR OS visualization.
- **Results, Analysis and Debugging**

# Demonstration Profile

## *Adaptive Cruise Control Demo Profile.*



## SoC "DriveApp" Console Interface

```
Simulation Output Console Details .mbLedSwitches UART0_PHY X
0. Manual Override
1. Safe Stop
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. Exit the program
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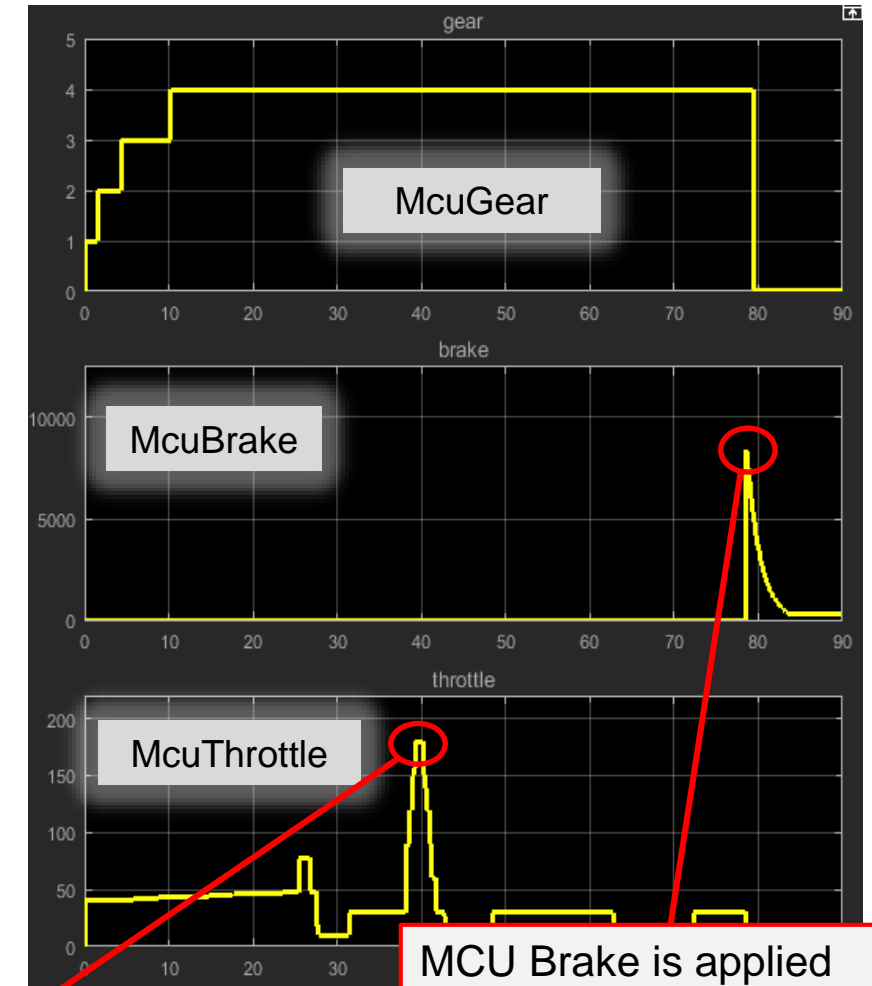
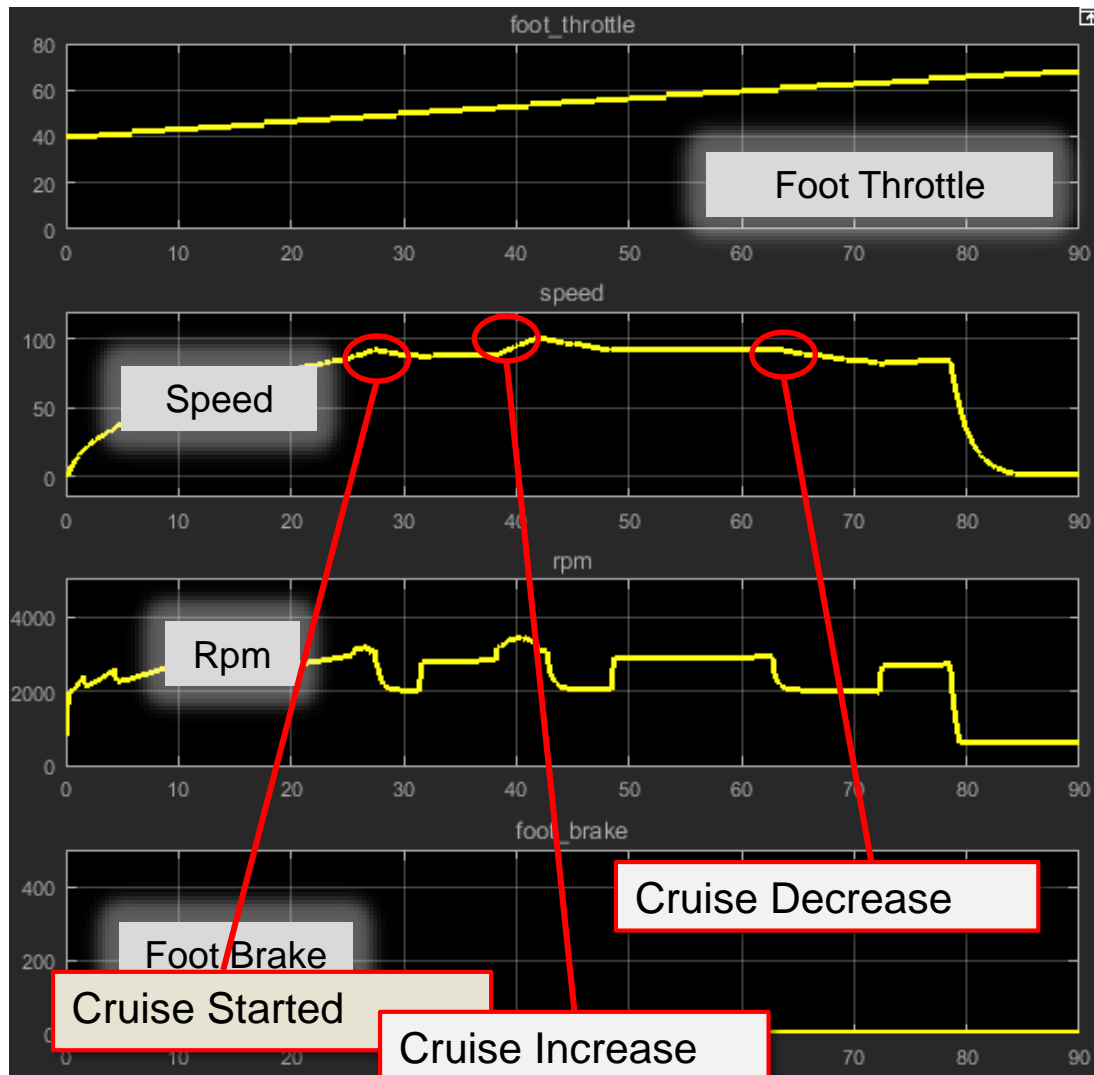
7. Auto Drive Mode Adaptive will duplicate the scenario pictured.

# Video One

System Overview & Run Application

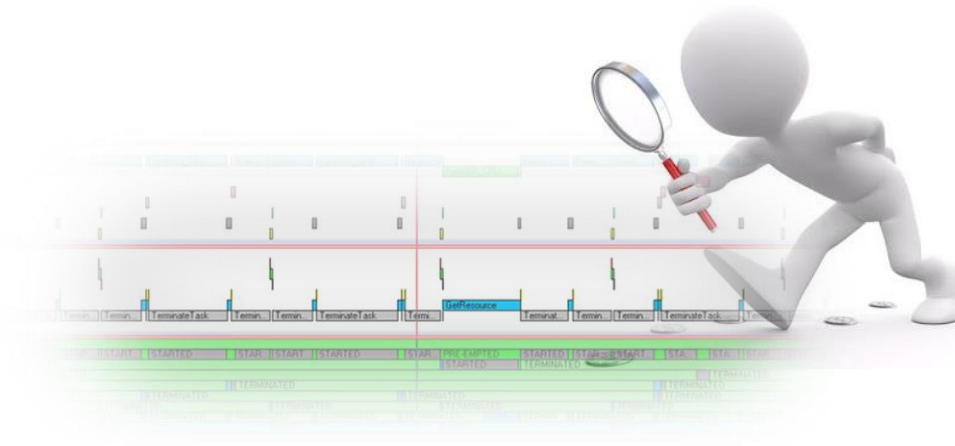


# Demonstration Test Profile Scenario Summary.



# MCU Focused Results Analysis

- **Hardware Tracing**
  - MCU interface Boundary Traces.
    - Analog sampled inputs
    - CAN Bus Data Verification
- **Software Tracing**
  - Function Tracing
  - AUTOSAR
    - Task Visualisation
    - System Calls
    - Errors



# Video Two

Software and Hardware Analysis of MCU  
operation

# AUTOSAR Instrumentation Summary

## *OSEK visualization example with Simulation Probes Scripts*



and more.. ISR2 tracking, Task Stack utilization, custom debugging and application analysis, .....

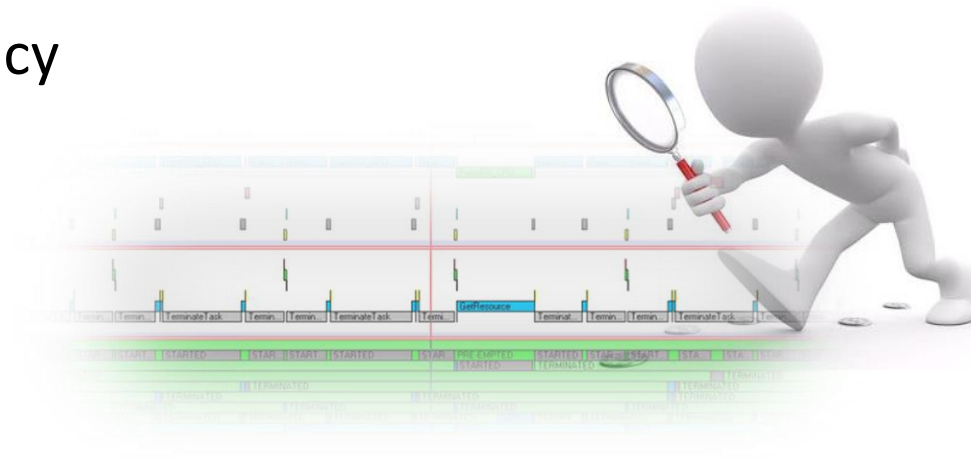
Selectable and customizable visualization

# SOC - MCU System Visibility

*"End to End" Debugging*

- **SOC System Visibility**

- Tracking Activity from SW Function to Hardware Command
- Debugging the Serial Link Driver in Linux
- System Visibility and System Latency

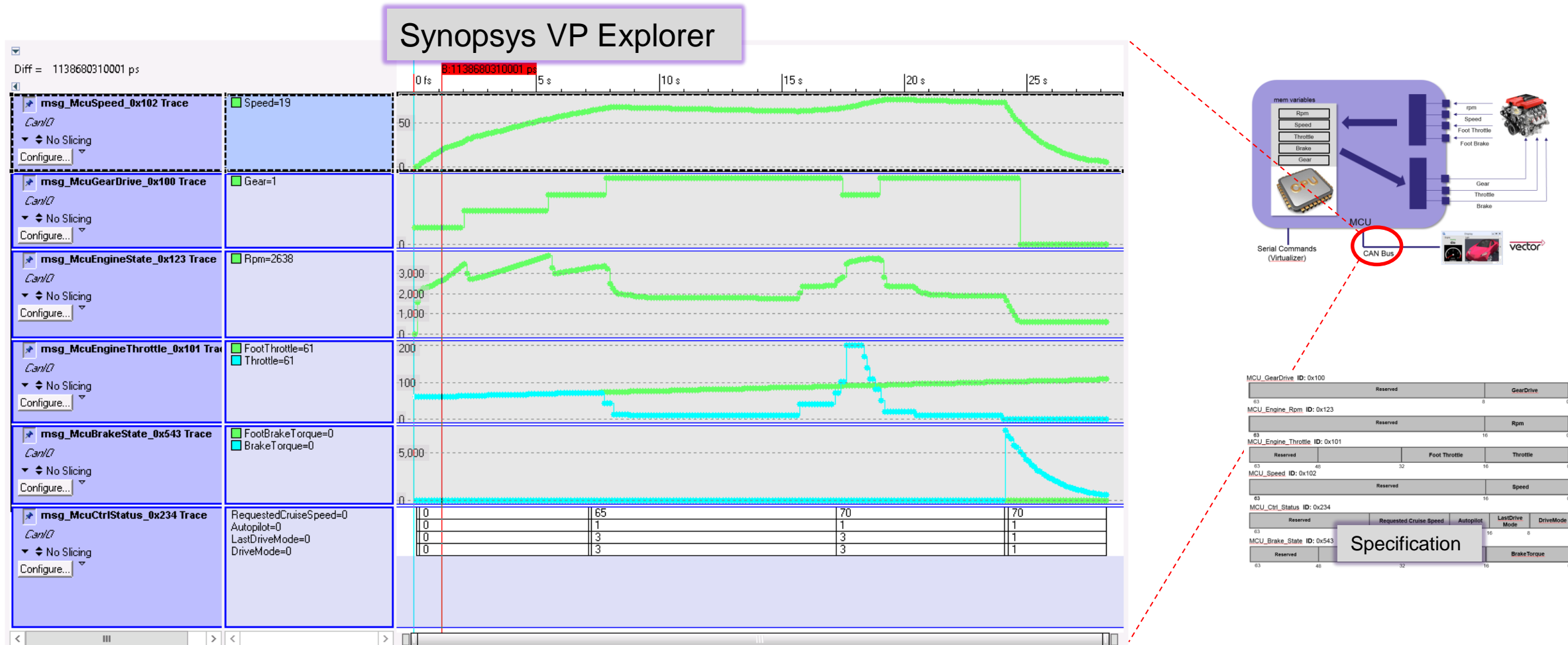


# Video Three

Software and Hardware Analysis of SoC operation



# Demo CAN Bus Message Visualization Summary



Can Bus Packet Specification input, allows message and fields to be extracted and visualized

# Coverage Based Fault Injection

## Practical walkthrough.

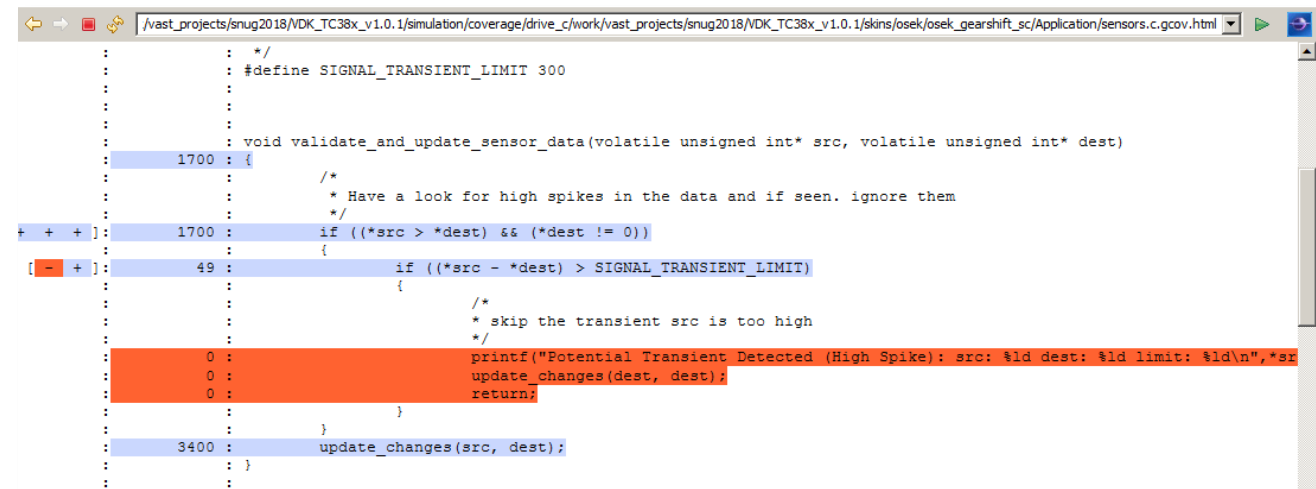
- Coverage Metrics and Scripting can be used to uncover missing test coverage.

- The file **sensors.c**, has some large transient signal detection and correction logic.

```
If (NewSample >> OldSample)
    discard NewSample
Else
    store NewSample
```

- We are **not covering** the code which handles such transients.
- Generating and testing such code can be difficult on the real hardware.

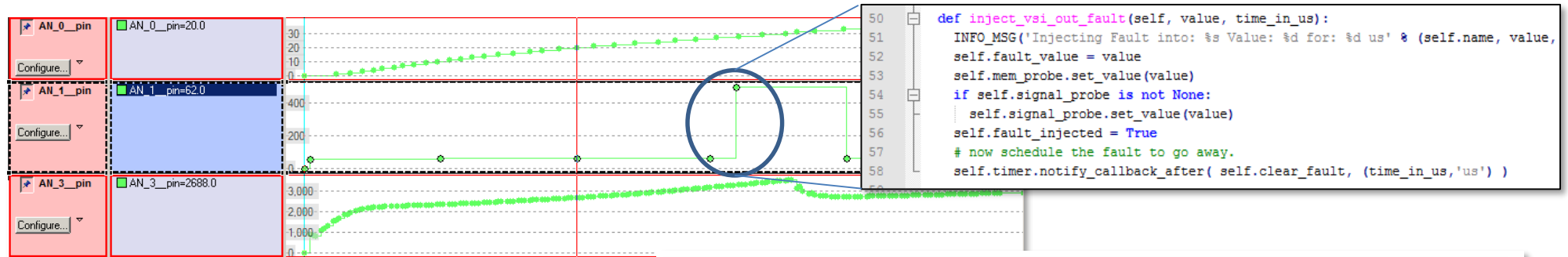
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```
/*
 * #define SIGNAL_TRANSIENT_LIMIT 300
 *
 * void validate_and_update_sensor_data(volatile unsigned int* src, volatile unsigned int* dest)
 *
 * 1700 : {
 *      /*
 *       * Have a look for high spikes in the data and if seen. ignore them
 *       */
 * 1700 : if ((*src > *dest) && (*dest != 0))
 * 49 : { if ((*src - *dest) > SIGNAL_TRANSIENT_LIMIT)
 *      {
 *          /*
 *           * skip the transient src is too high
 *           */
 * 0 : printf("Potential Transient Detected (High Spike): src: %ld dest: %ld limit: %ld\n", *src, *dest, SIGNAL_TRANSIENT_LIMIT);
 * 0 : update_changes(dest, dest);
 * 0 : return;
 *      }
 * 3400 : update_changes(src, dest);
 * }
```

# Coverage Based Fault Injection

- Using Simulation Probes we inject a transient into the MCU and re-evaluate.



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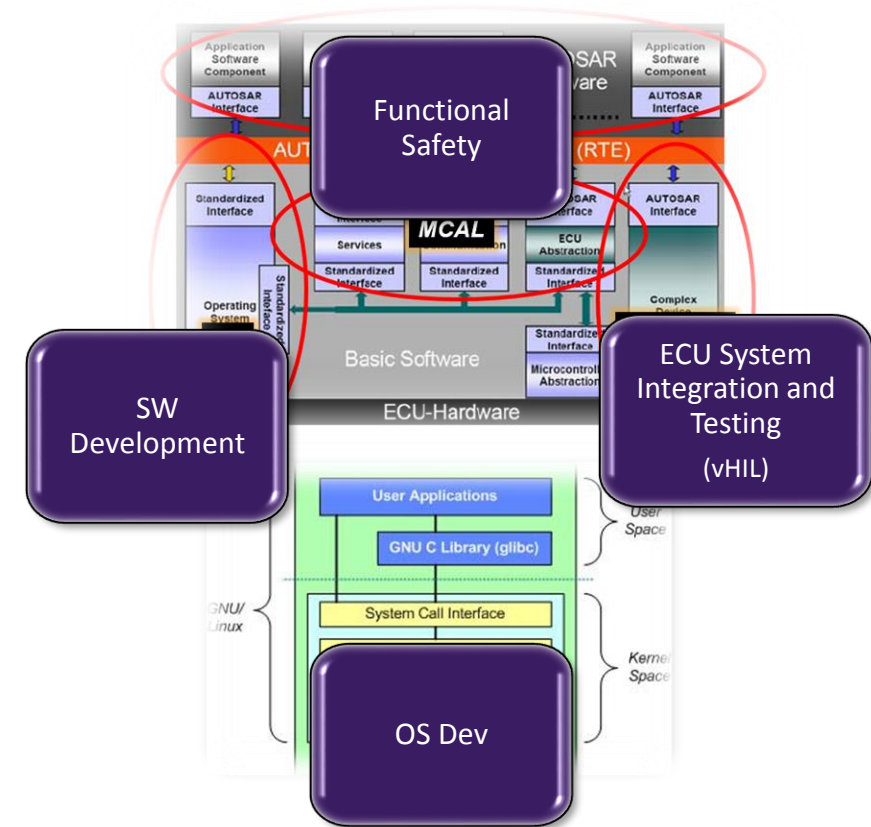
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:
: 1530: {
:     /*
:     * Have a look for high spikes in the data and if seen. ignore them
:     */
:     1530: if ((*src > *dest) && (*dest != 0))
:     {
:         143: if ((*src - *dest) > SIGNAL_TRANSIENT_LIMIT)
:         {
:             /*
:             * skip the transient src is too high
:             */
:             96: printf("Potential Transient Detected (High Spike): src: %ld dest: %ld
:             96: update_changes(dest, dest);
:             96: return;
:         }
:     }
:     2868: update_changes(src, dest);
: }
    
```

# Demonstration Summary

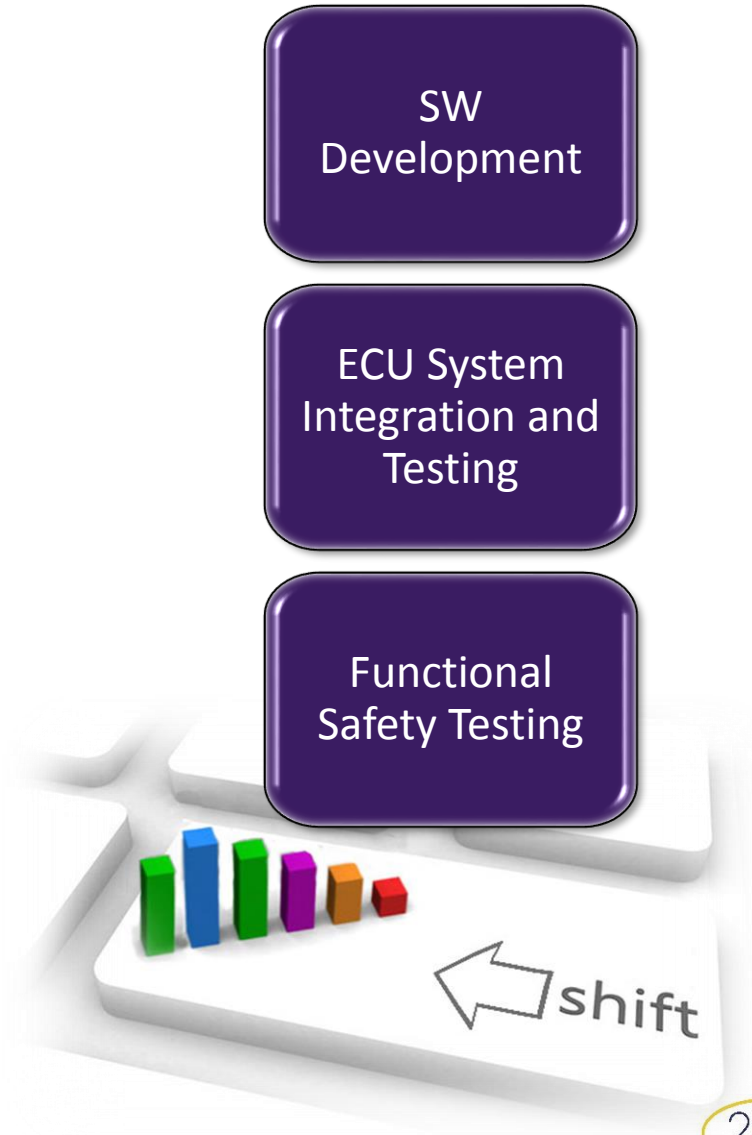
## *Four Main Use Case Overviews*

- **Development and Verification**
  - Virtualizer Software Analysis Tools
  - Debugging with 3rdparty HLL debuggers
- **Application Verification**
  - SoC application with vHIL (Simulink, CANoe)
- **OS**
  - Porting and Verification
  - Driver development and Testing
  - Visualization and Debugging.
- **Functional Safety Testing**
  - Coverage Based Fault Injection
  - SW Test and Quality Metrics



# Session Summary

- **In the accelerating Automotive Industry**
  - Software is key.
  - Software will always be on the Critical Path.
- **Complexity growth in HW architecture and SW is exponential.**
- **For early development or post silicon use Cases**
  - New challenges are pushing the boundaries of traditional approaches.
- **Virtual Prototyping and VDKs can play a big part in:**
  - Reducing Product Time-to-Market.
  - Accelerating Development.
  - Increasing Product Quality and Functional Safety.



# Questions