

Challenges & Opportunities in the Automotive Sector

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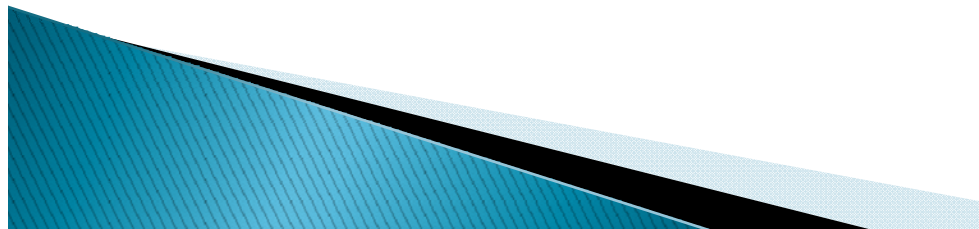
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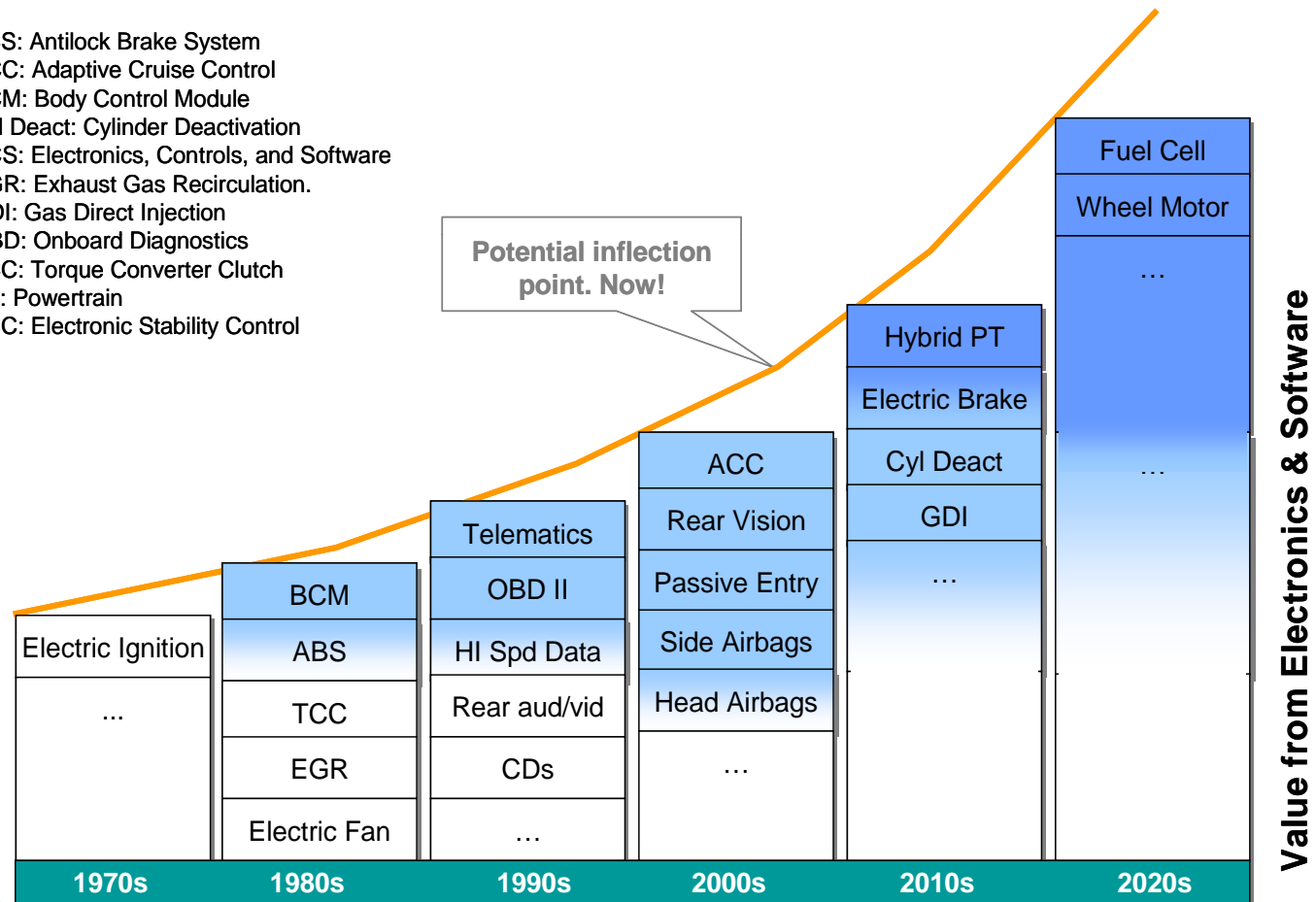
- ▶ In Global Volume Opportunity
 - 2007 70M Sales
 - 2016 94M Sales (projected)
- ▶ In Application Diversity
 - Autonomous Driving
 - Advance Entertainment (DVD +)
 - And every function in-between



Growth

► In Electronics Vehicle Content

ABS: Antilock Brake System
 ACC: Adaptive Cruise Control
 BCM: Body Control Module
 Cyl Deact: Cylinder Deactivation
 ECS: Electronics, Controls, and Software
 EGR: Exhaust Gas Recirculation.
 GDI: Gas Direct Injection
 OBD: Onboard Diagnostics
 TCC: Torque Converter Clutch
 PT: Powertrain
 ESC: Electronic Stability Control



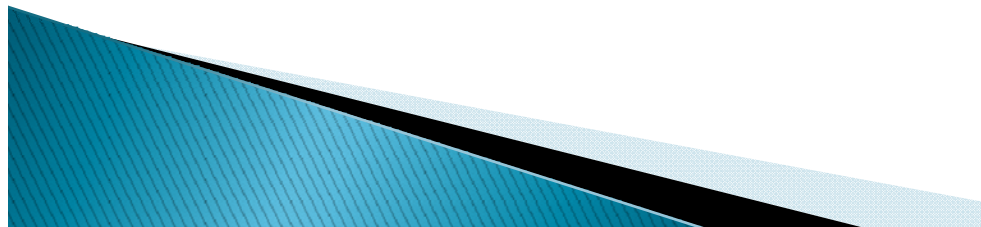
Globalization

▶ Global Markets

- Environments are not homogeneous
 - Different Customer Expectations
 - Different Regulations & Laws

▶ Global Workforce

- Collaborative Development
 - Requires daily interactions
 - Bridging of location constraints (time zones, etc...)
- Different Footprints
 - For OEMs and for Suppliers, at every Tier



Changing Concept of Systems

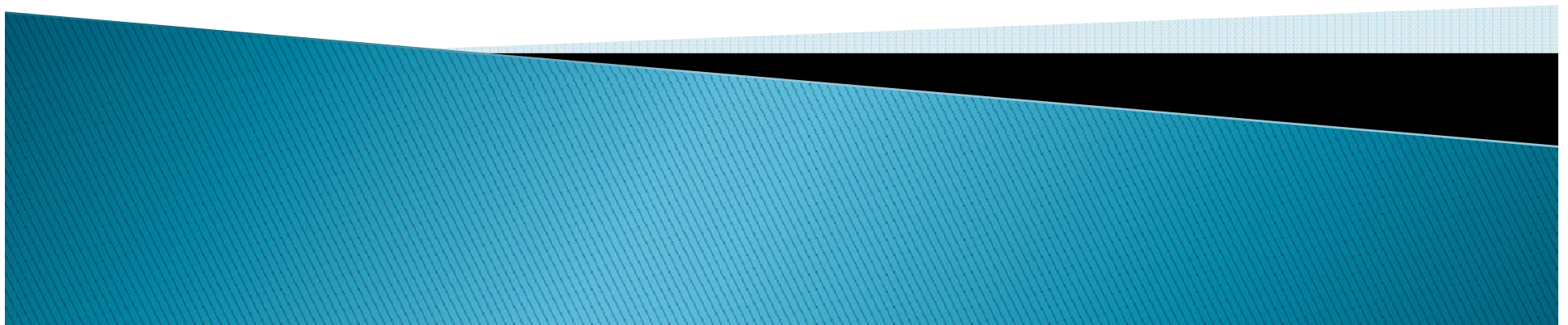
- ▶ **System Interaction Span**
 - No longer isolated to a single ECU
 - ABS → ESC
 - IC engine → Hybrids
 - No longer isolated to a single Domain
 - Chassis, Navigation all interacting for performance
 - No longer isolated to a single Vehicle
 - V2V, and V2I changes the boundary of responsibility
- ▶ **Migration to Open System (Standards)**
 - Open Software Architectures
 - Enables Mixed Source Software IP
 - Open Intra-Vehicle Communication Standards
 - Enables Mixed Source Hardware Integration
 - Open Inter-Vehicle Communications
 - Enables Advanced Data Sharing

Fierce Competition

- ▶ Constant pressure to do more
 - For less
 - With less
- ▶ Constant pressure to do it faster
- ▶ Nobody can afford mistakes
 - Customer Dissatisfaction
 - Cost

SUSTAINING BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

The Automobile: Re-Invented



Current Basic Genetic Structure

- ▶ Mechanical drive
- ▶ Powered by oil
- ▶ Internal combustion engine
- ▶ Mechanical controls
- ▶ Independent operations
- ▶ Assembly-line manufacturing

New Automotive Genetics

- ▶ Powered by electricity
- ▶ “By-wire” controls
- ▶ “Connected” vehicles
- ▶ Personalization

Basic Semiconductor Trends

The Exponential Growth of Computing, 1900-2100

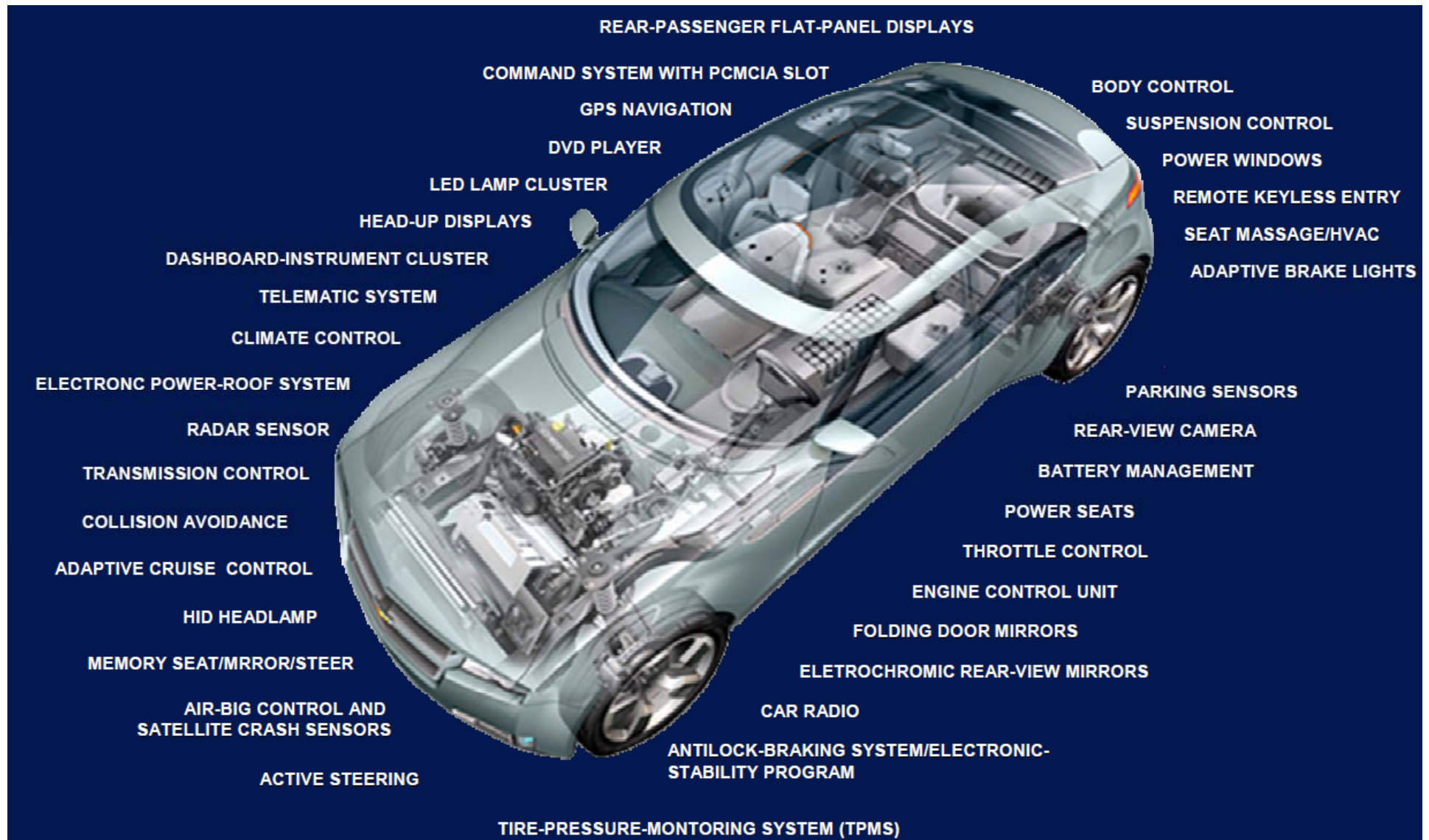


Cost of Computer Memory



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Electronics in Automobiles



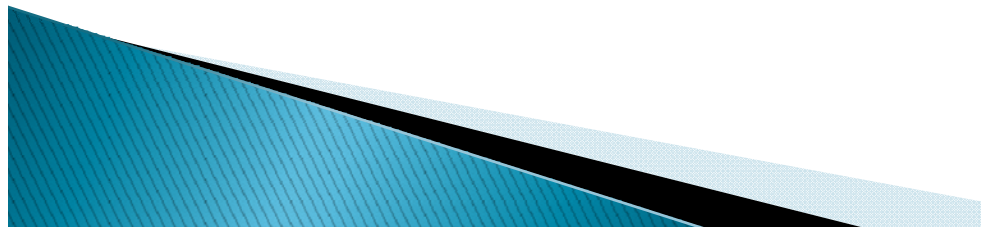
Vehicular Features

▶ Safety Features

- Stability Control
- Lane Departure Warning
- Blind Zone Detection
- Adaptive Cruise Control
- “OnStar” monitoring and control

▶ Convenience Features

- Keyless entry with push button start
- Navigation with real-time traffic



Key Aspects of New Automotive Genetics

- ▶ Deep embedded electronics
 - Sensing
 - Computations and Communications
 - Actuation
- ▶ Rich communication capabilities
 - Smart phones with integrated navigation
 - V2V and V2I (V2X)
- ▶ Tight integration with driver and passenger behavior

Strategic Thrusts

- ▶ Environmentally friendly energy source
- ▶ “Connected” Vehicles
- ▶ Adaptive Vehicles
- ▶ By-wire controls
 - Steering, braking, throttling and gearing
- ▶ Active Safety → Autonomous Driving

Energy Sources

- ▶ Oil → BioFuels → Electricity → Hydrogen
- ▶ IC Engine Enhancements → (Plug-in) Hybrid Electric Vehicles
 - → Battery-Electric Vehicles → Electric & Hydrogen Fuel Cell
- ▶ Plug-in hybrids
 - can achieve better than double the fuel efficiency of existing vehicles

By-Wire Controls

- ▶ **Increased System Complexity**
 - Hybrid power-train
 - Controlled Steering and chassis systems
 - Semi-autonomous and autonomous driving
- ▶ **Safety-Criticality**
 - Active safety
 - Passive safety
- ▶ **Interactions**
 - Different subsystems built by different suppliers

Advanced Safety Technologies

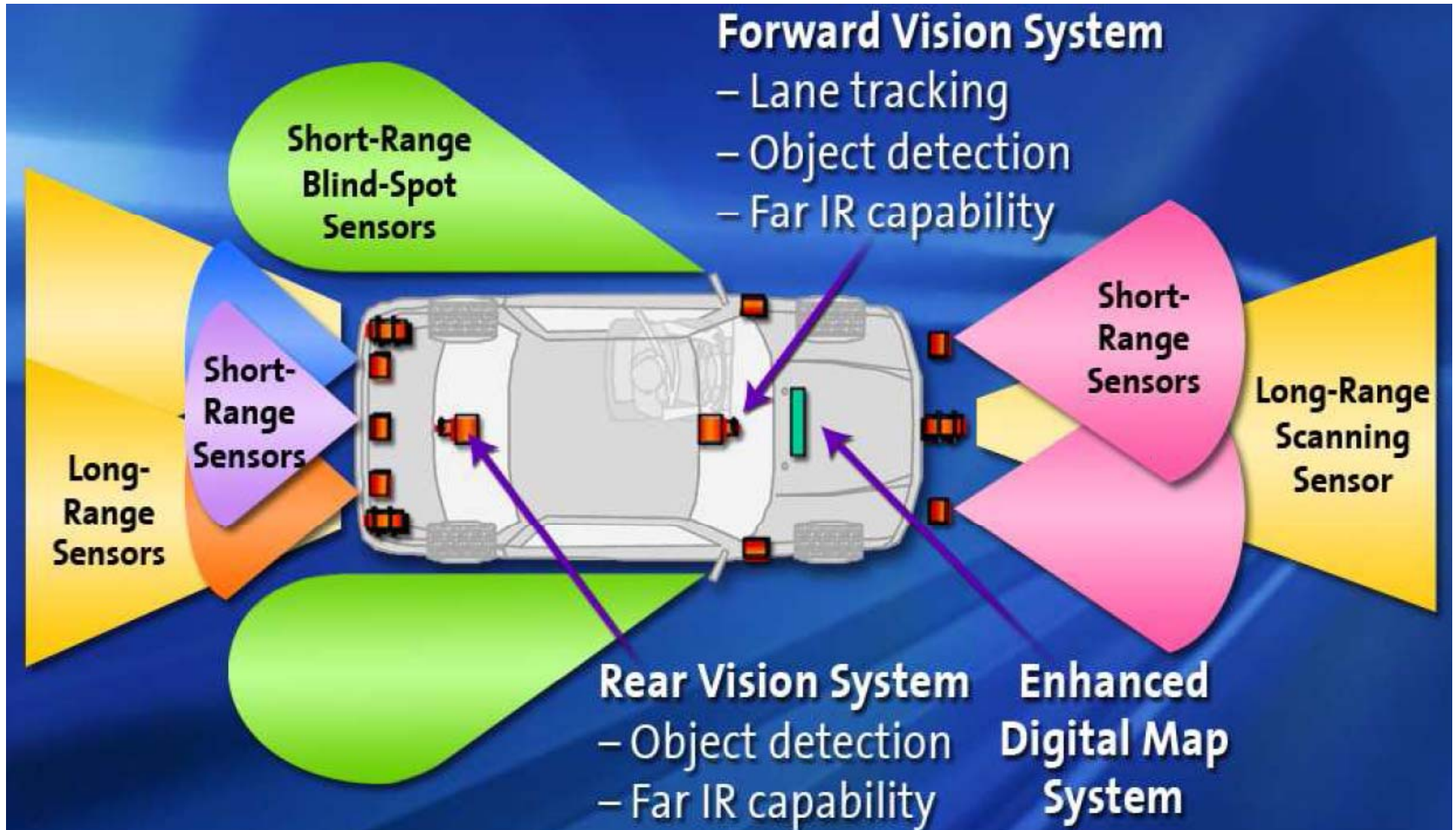


Anti-lock Braking
Traction Control
Semi-Active Suspension
Adaptive Variable-Effort Steering
Electronic Stability Control
Near-Obstacle Detection
Vision Enhancement
Adaptive Cruise Control
Forward Collision Warning
Active Roll Control
Lane Sensing/Warning
Driver Performance Monitor
Forward Collision Avoidance (Braking)
Lane Keeping
V2I Communication
Steer-by-Wire
V2V Communications
Collision Avoidance (Steering)

time

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360° Sensing

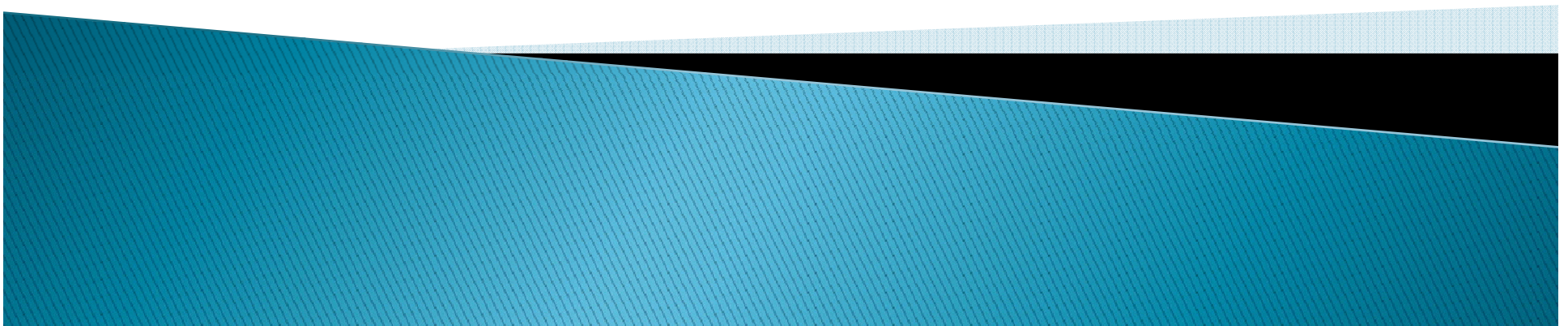


Autonomous Driving Roadmap

- ▶ **Driver Assist / Warning**
 - Lane Departure Warning
 - Side Blind-Zone Alert
- ▶ **Semi-Autonomous Driving**
 - Cooperative Control between Vehicle and Driver
 - Lane Centering
- ▶ **On-Demand Autonomous Driving**
 - On-demand autonomous driving for limited travel
 - Highway-Only Autonomy
 - Virtual Valet parking
- ▶ **Autonomous Driving**
 - Virtual Chauffeur

DARPA Urban Challenge

Carnegie Mellon's Tartan Racing win

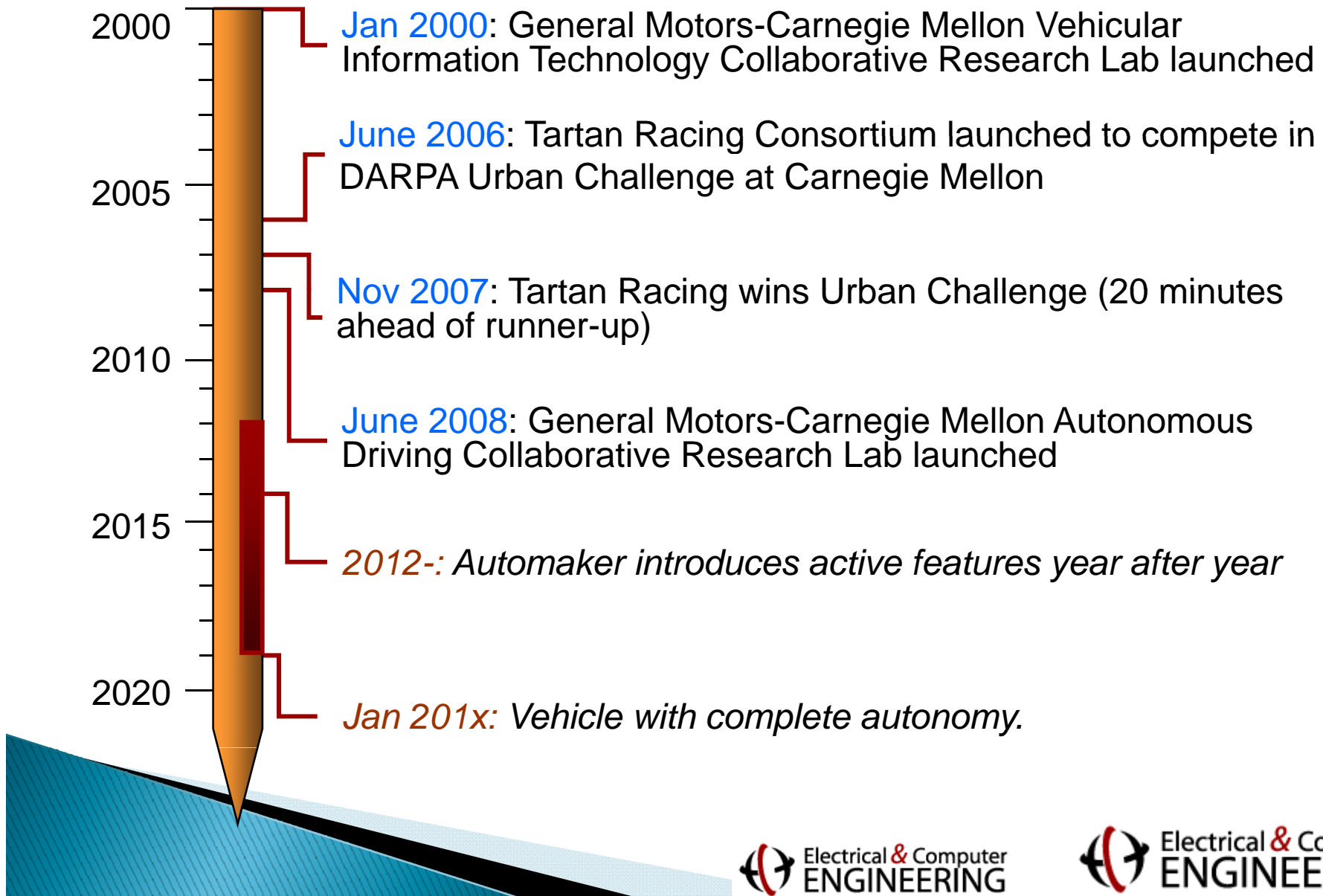


Society and Automobiles

- ▶ More than 1 million people die every year in automotive accidents globally
 - Largest global killer of aged 10-24
 - Tens of millions of injuries
 - Global annual cost of road injuries in medical care, disability and property damage is \$518 billion.
- ▶ Traffic delays are expensive.
 - The average US driver spends a week stuck in traffic per year.
 - In the EU, 80 billion euros wasted per year due to traffic congestion.
- ▶ Loss of independence and self-esteem of senior and disabled citizens



Timeline



The DARPA Urban Challenge

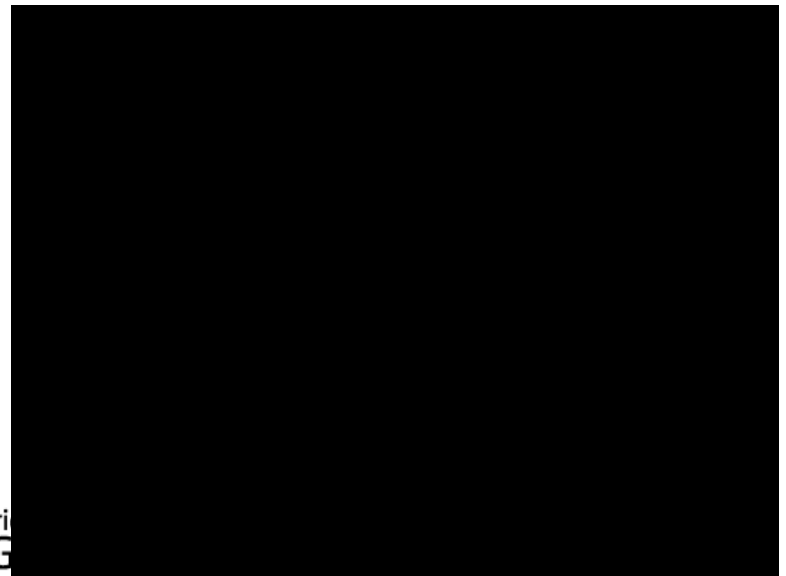
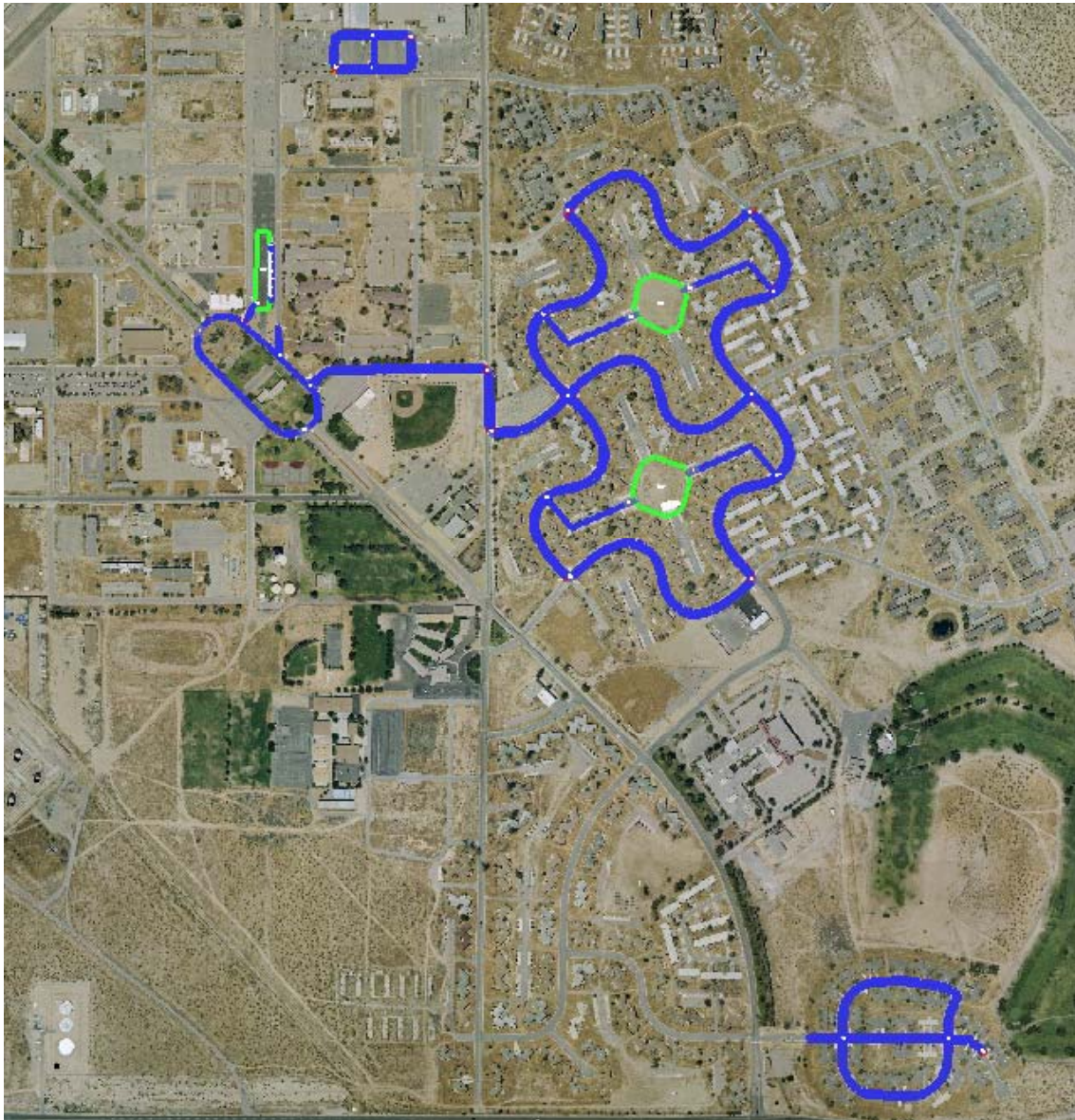
- ▶ Urban Autonomous Vehicle Race
 - November 3rd, 2007
- ▶ 60 miles in less than 6 hours
 - Multiple autonomous vehicles competing with each other on a simulated urban course
 - Other traffic vehicles driven by humans
 - Qualifiers determines the finalists
 - 30 mph max speed limit

Urban Driving Skills

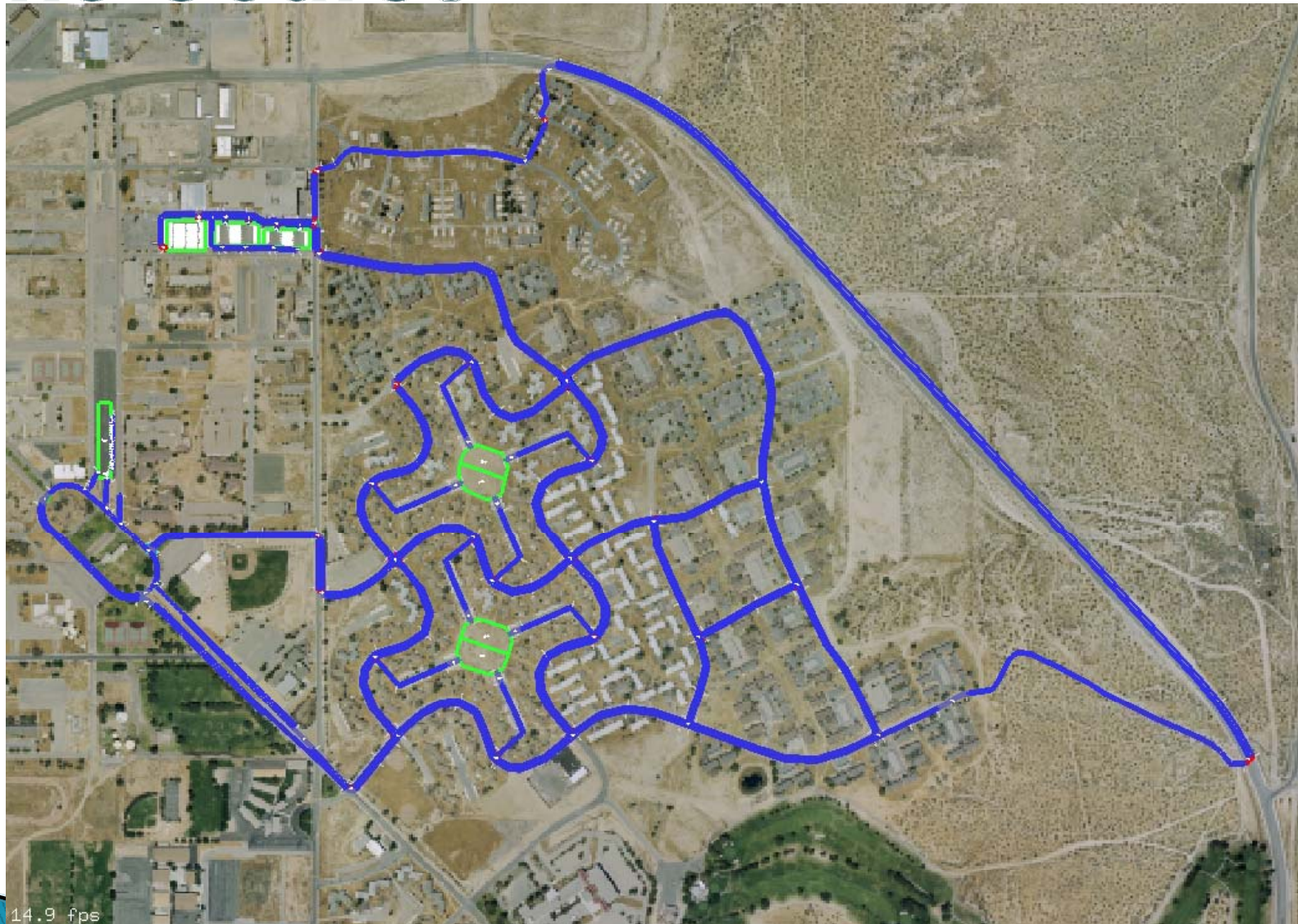
- ▶ Safe and Defensive Driving
 - California DMV rules of the road
- ▶ Negotiate
 - Stationary and Moving Vehicles
 - Blocked Roadways
 - Intersections and Roundabouts
- ▶ Capable of turns, stops, passing, merging, following
- ▶ Reasoning about traffic
- ▶ Roads included curves, paved/unpaved roads
- ▶ Parking (in unstructured environments)
- ▶ Progressing safely in the face of adversity



National Qualifying Events



The Course



14.9 fps

Urban Challenge Excerpts

The Course



Improvising



Passing



Sensors



Velodyne
multi-plane lidar
360°x26° FOV, 60m



Applanix
GPS/INS



Continental
ISF 172 lidar
14°, 150m



High dynamic
range camera
90° FOV



Ma/Com
proximity radar
80°, 27m



SICK Scanning Lidar
90/180° FOV, 40m



IBEO
180° FOV,
multi-plane, multi-echo



Continental
ARS 300 radar
60/17°, 60/200m

Vehicle Tracking

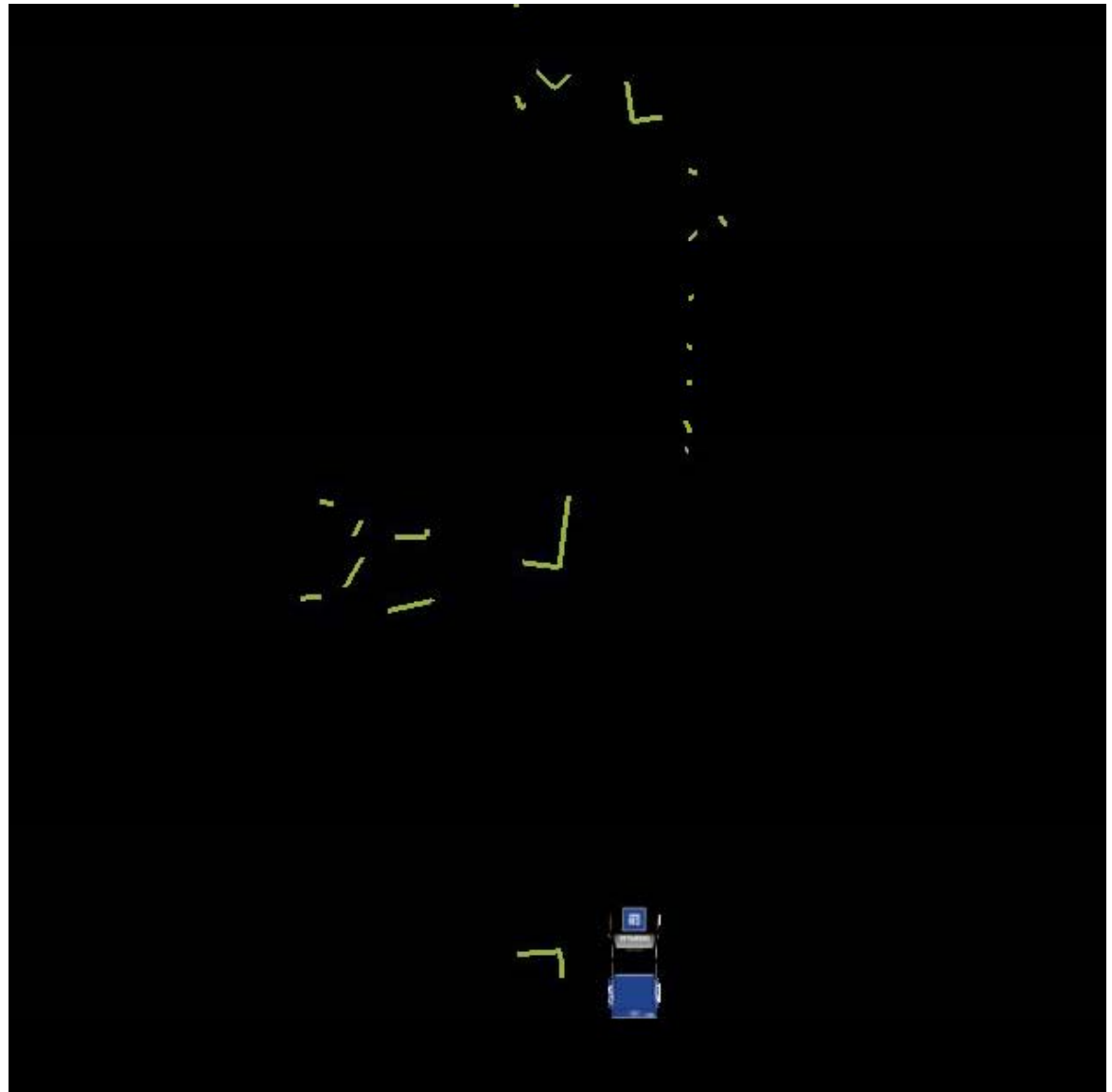
Vehicle Tracking

- Raw Data



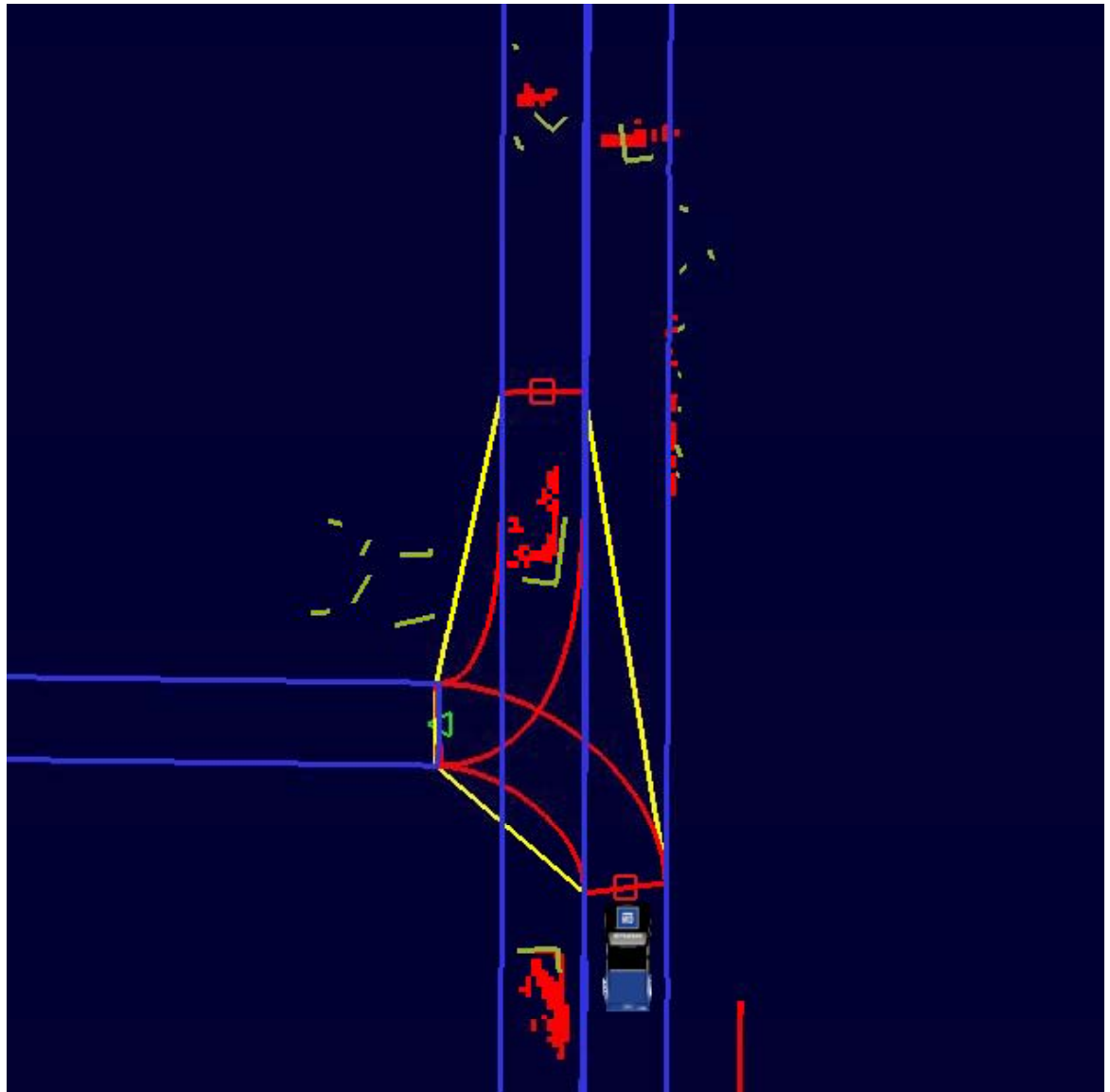
Vehicle Tracking

- ▶ Raw Data
- ▶ Feature Extraction



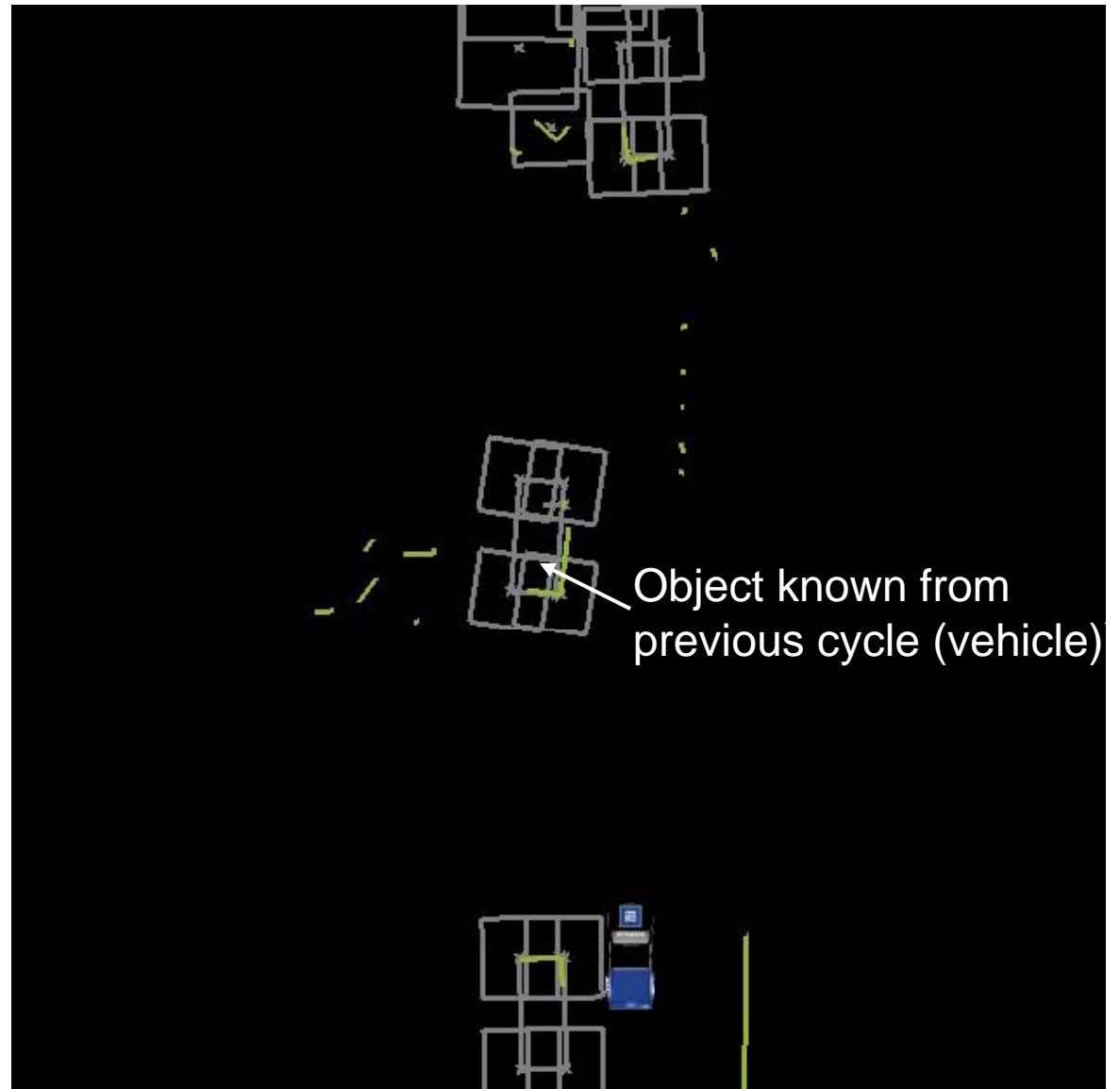
Vehicle Tracking

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- ▶ Feature Extraction
- ▶ **Measurement Validation**



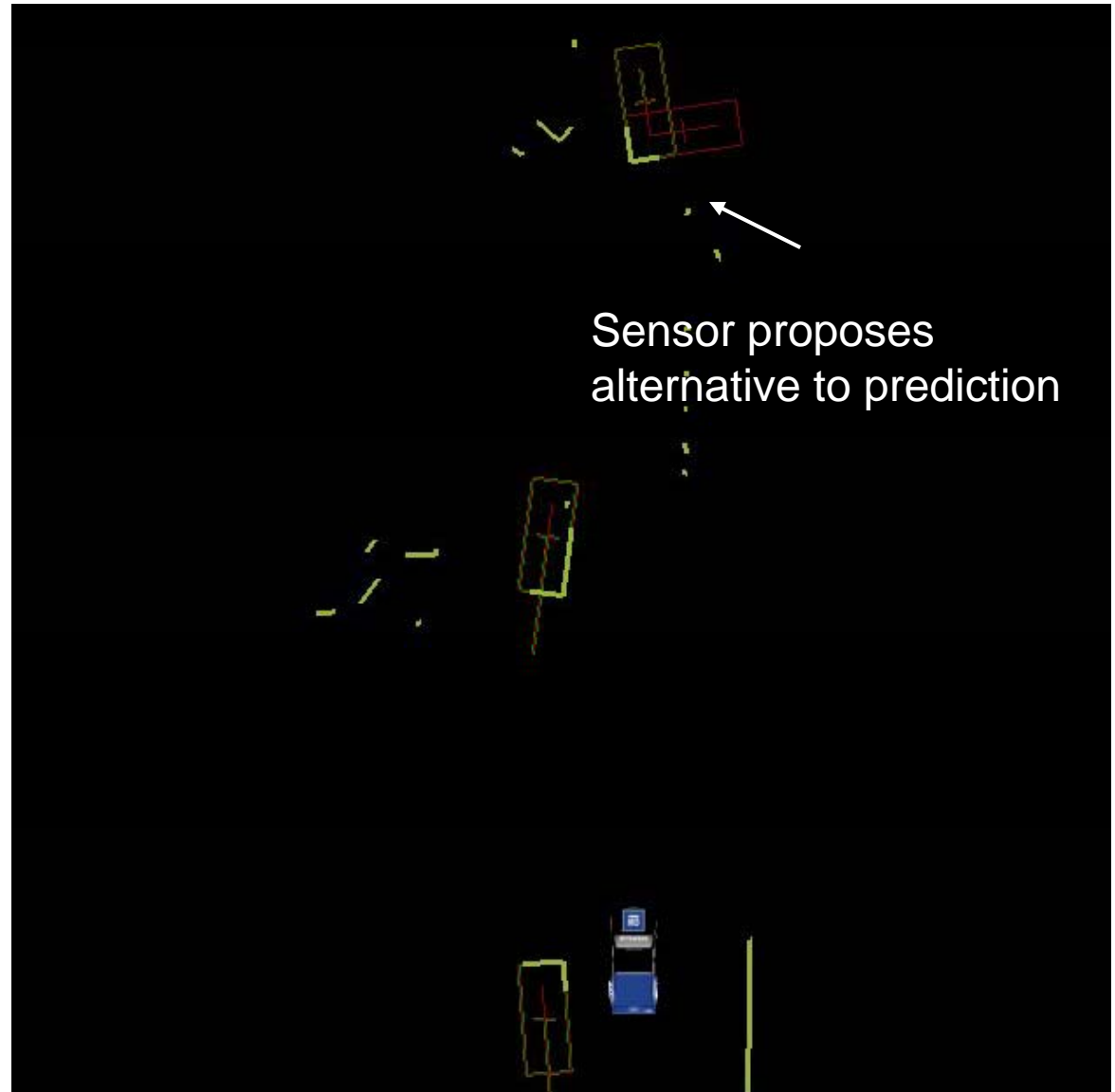
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- ▶ Measurement Validation
- ▶ **Data Association**



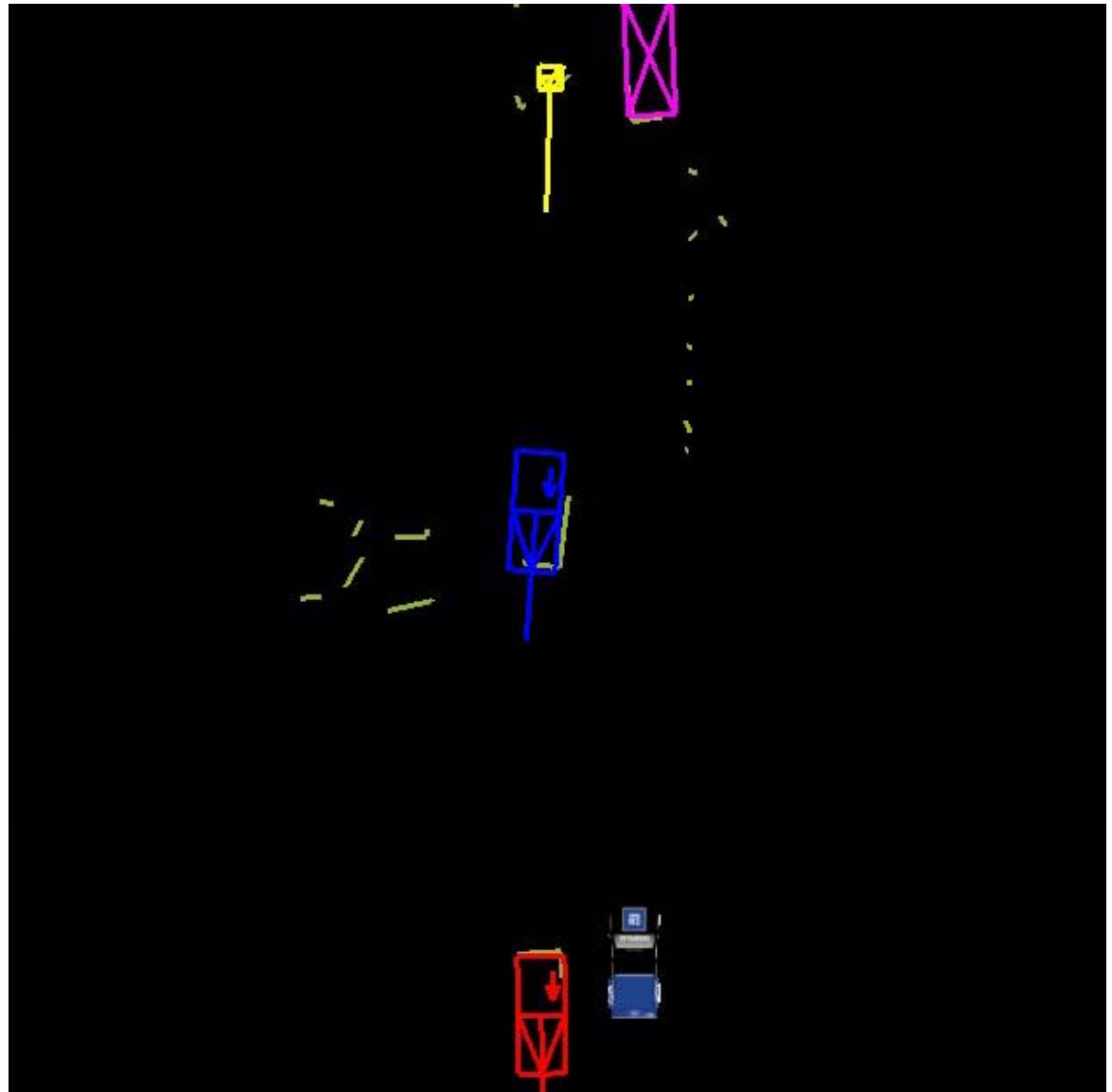
Vehicle Tracking

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- ▶ Data Association
- ▶ **Proposals & Observation**



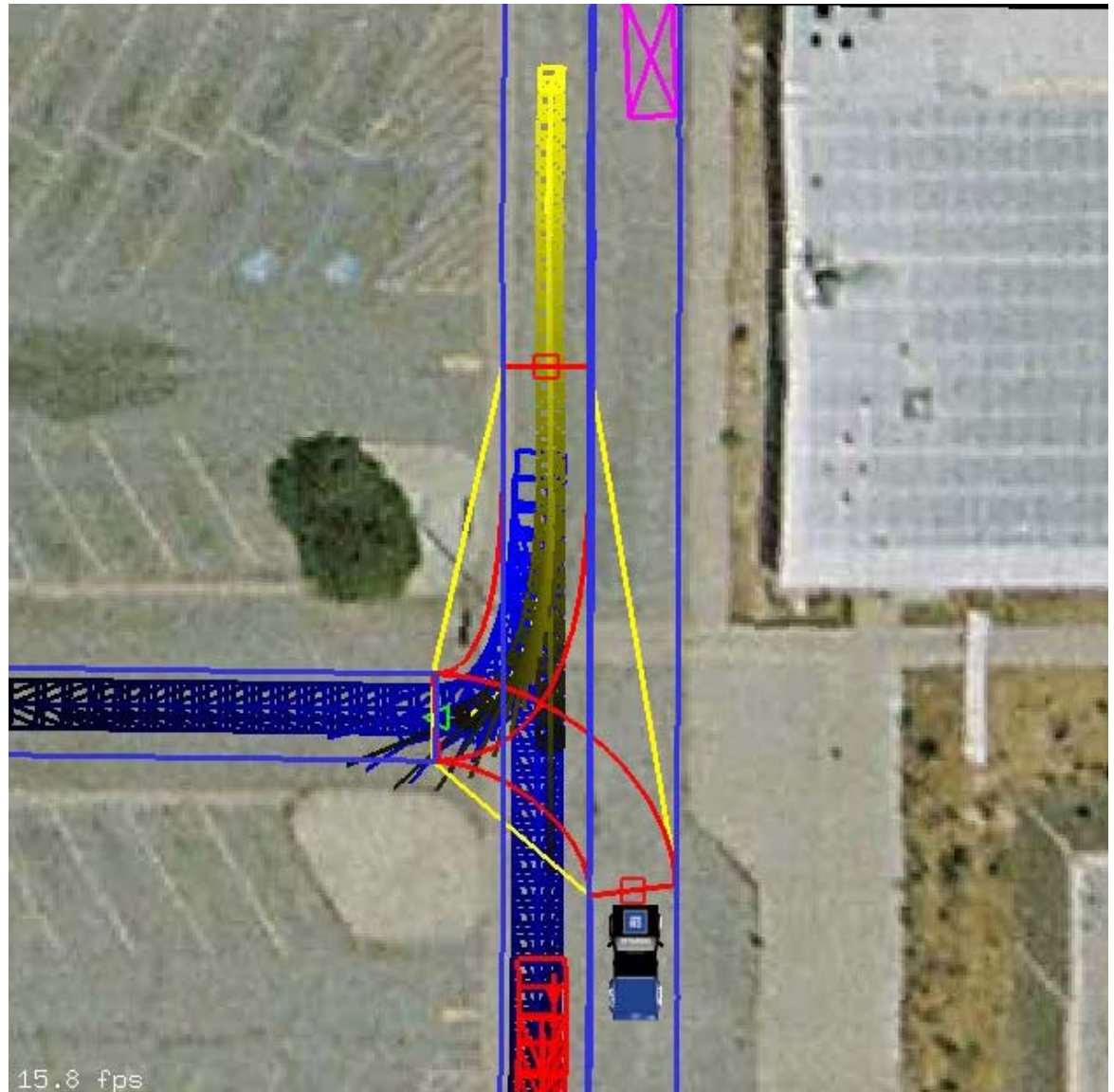
Vehicle Tracking

- Raw Data
- Feature Extraction
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- Data Association
- Proposals & Observation
- **Model Voting**
- **Estimation**
- **Statistics**

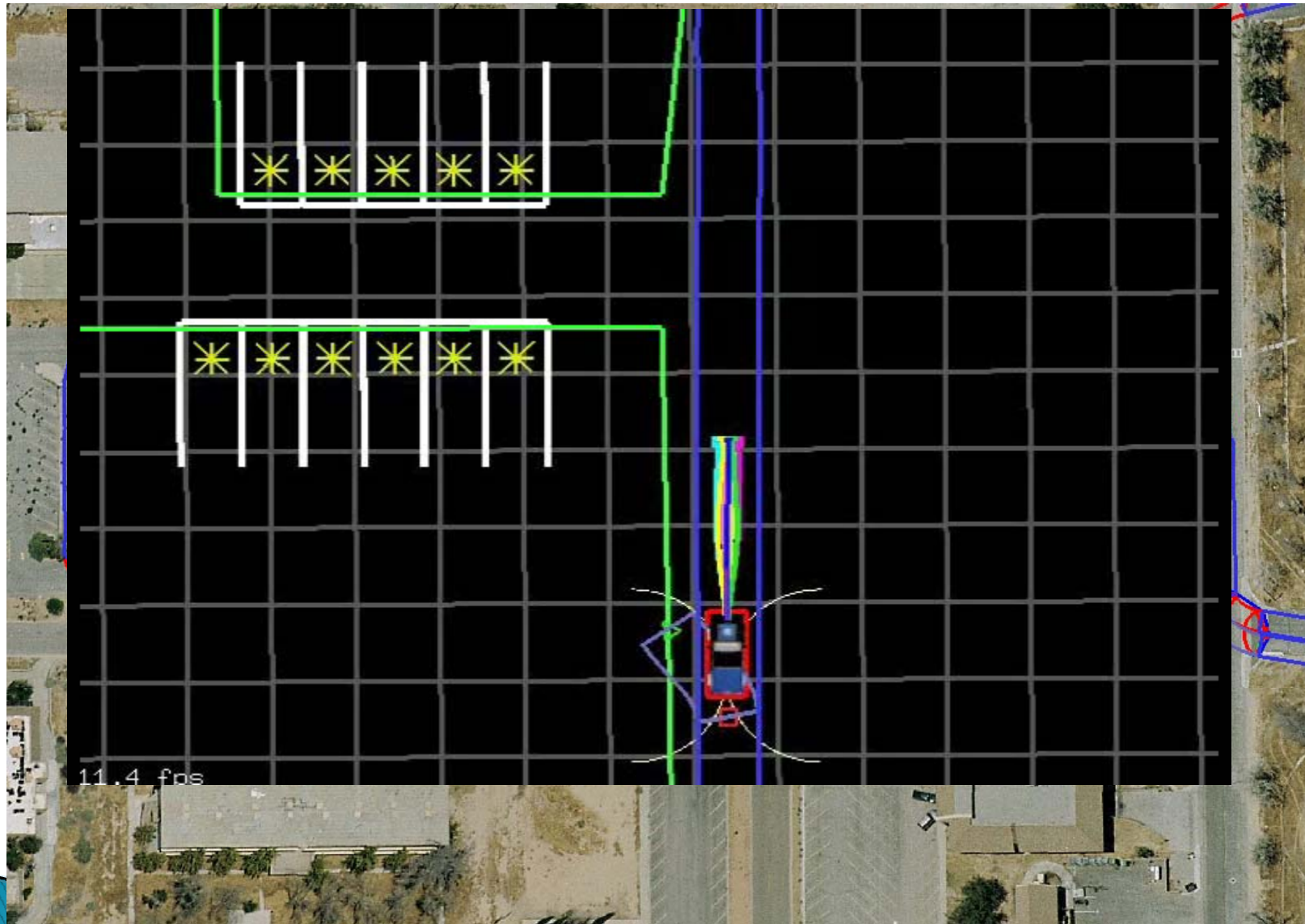


Vehicle Tracking

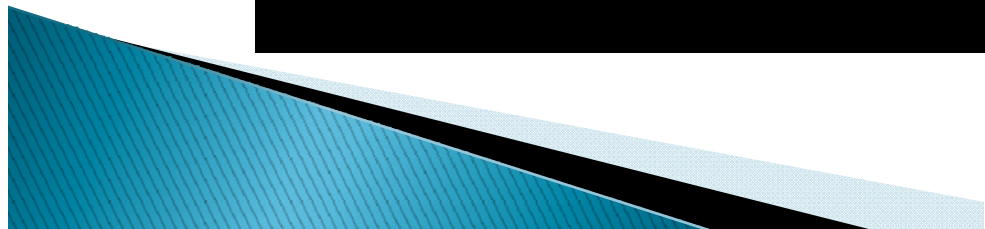
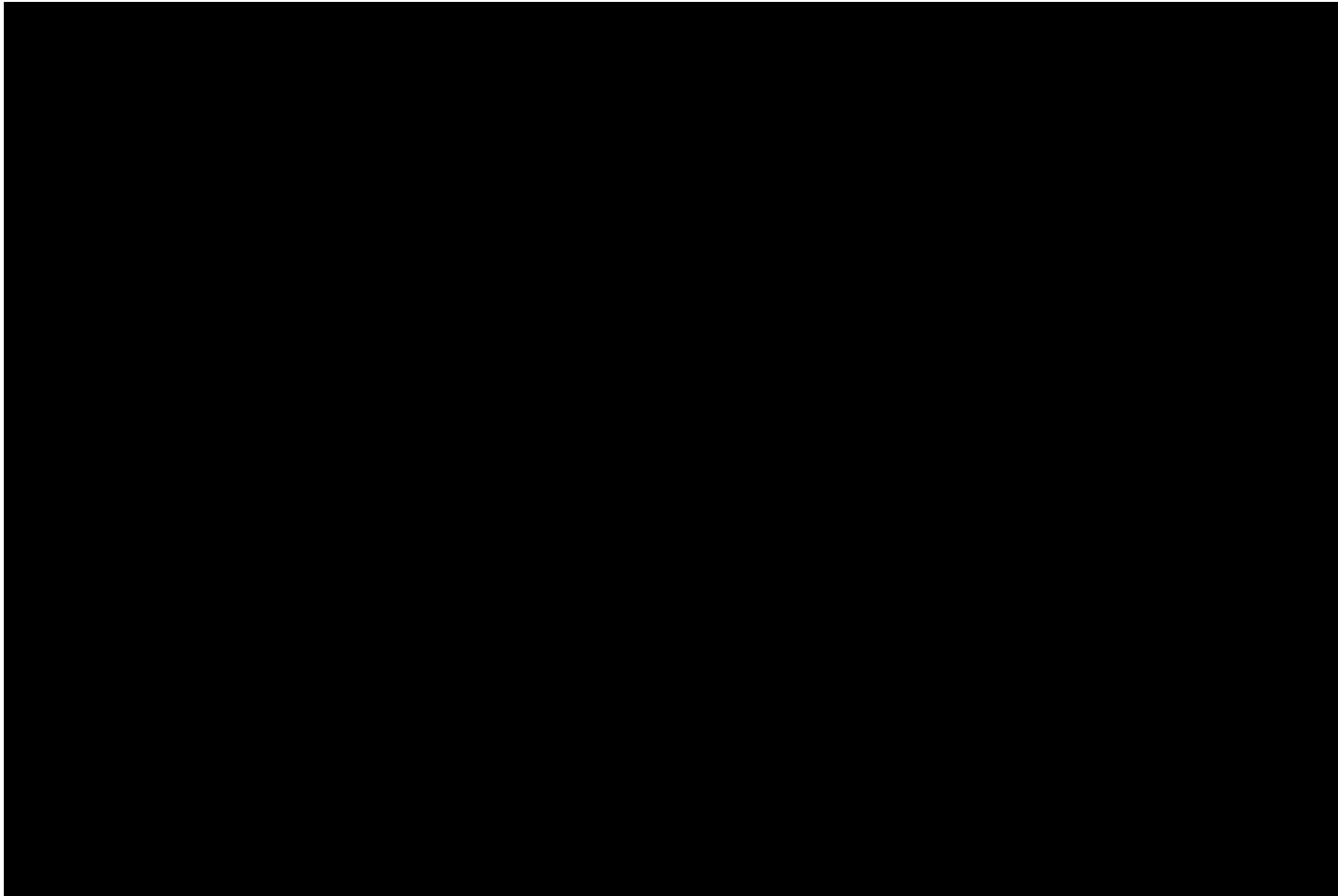
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- Statistics
- **Prediction**



Motion Planning (and Parking)



Boss Improvises

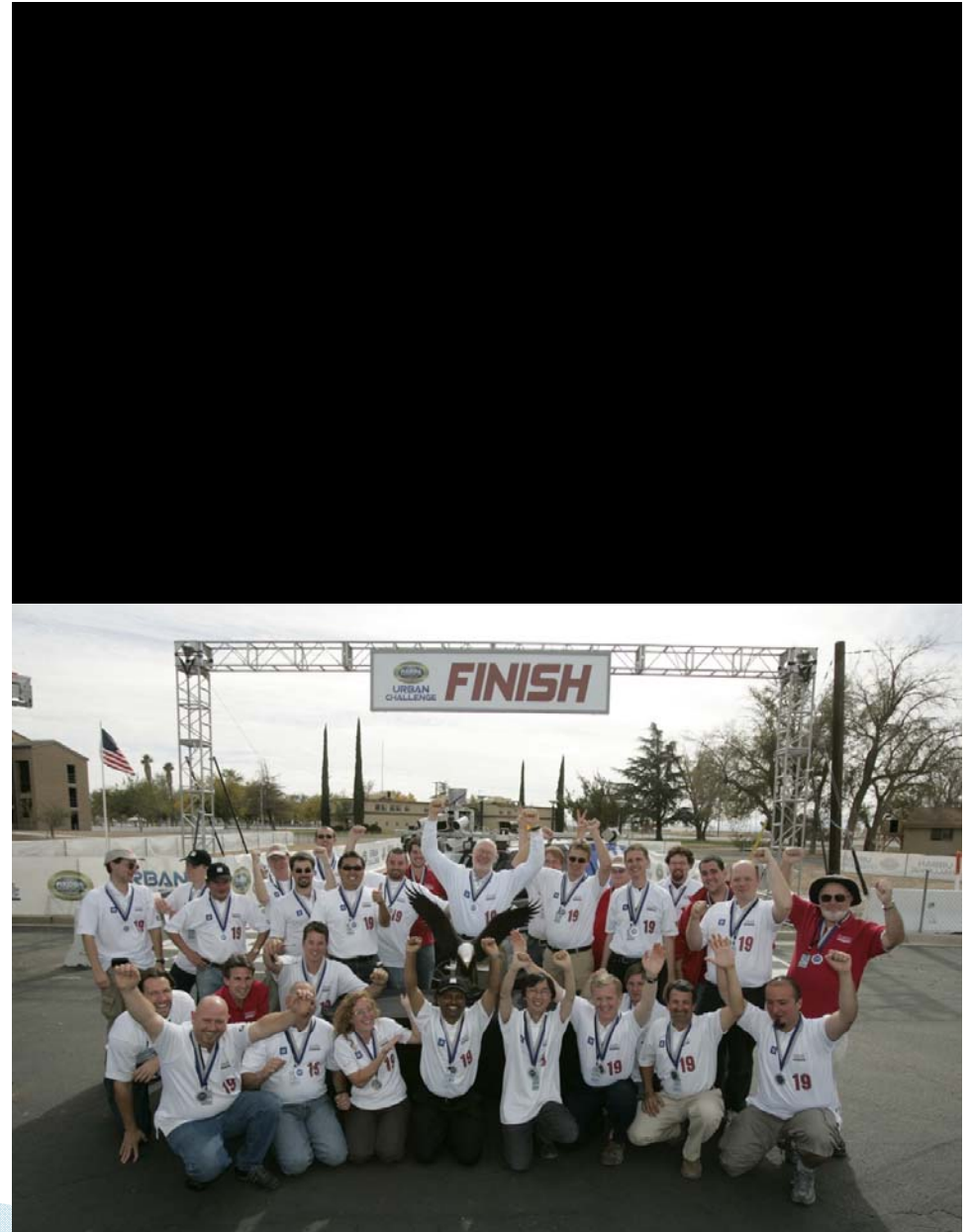


Accidents Galore



How did it turn out?

- ▶ **11 vehicles qualified** for the final event
- ▶ **6 completed** the course
- ▶ 3 did so within the allotted time and without interventions
 - Nobody was perfect, all were great
 - Carnegie Mellon finished ~20 minutes quicker than Stanford over the ~4 hour run



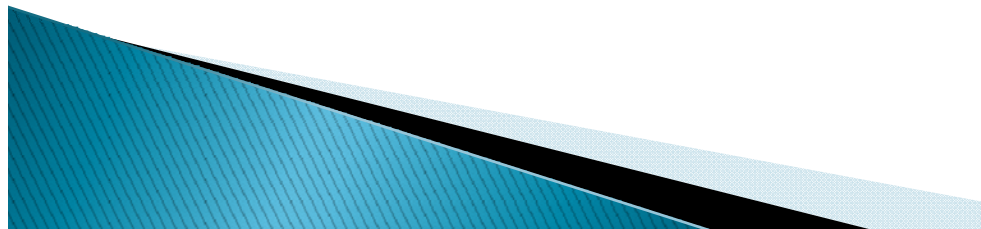
Challenges

- ▶ Exogenous: The complexity & uncertainty of the real world
 - Weather, lighting, and road conditions; construction; accidents; obsolete information, loss of GPS.
- ▶ Endogenous: Online and safe recovery from failures of sensors, actuators, computing or communications.
 - Sensors
 - Calibration, wear and tear, failures.
 - Occasional loss of GPS
- ▶ Inter-acting: Vehicular Networks
 - communicate securely and coordinate carefully
- ▶ Consumer Acceptance
 - Reliability, cost and maintenance
- ▶ Legal implications
- ▶ Incremental deployment

Intermediate Milestones

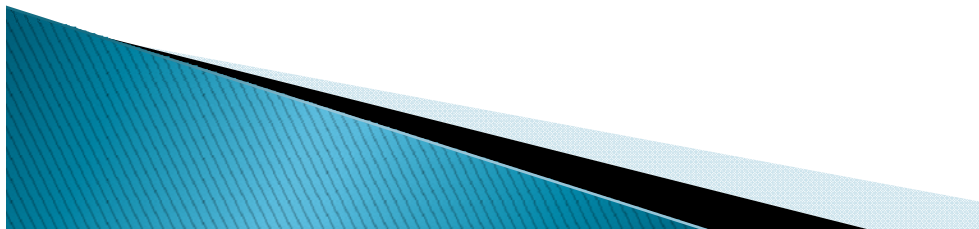
- ▶ **Active safety** and convenience features
- ▶ **Pedestrian**, child, bicyclist, animal warnings
- ▶ **Virtual Valet**
- ▶ **Highway Chauffeur**
- ▶ **Traffic Jam Chauffeur**

- ▶ *Dependable/safe embedded computing and communications*



Autonomous Vehicle Needs

- ▶ Localization – Where is it?
 - Accurate GPS
 - Accurate maps
- ▶ Awareness – What's around?
 - 360° Sensing
 - V2V
- ▶ Controls – Drive to destination safely
 - Vision and signal processing algorithms, route planning, decision-making
 - Reliable controls and actuators



Fail-Silent / Fail-Operational Architectural Components

- ▶ Redundant power supplies
- ▶ Fail-Silent nodes/boards
- ▶ Fail-Operational nodes
- ▶ Redundant communication backbones
- ▶ Fail-silent nodes for non-critical domains

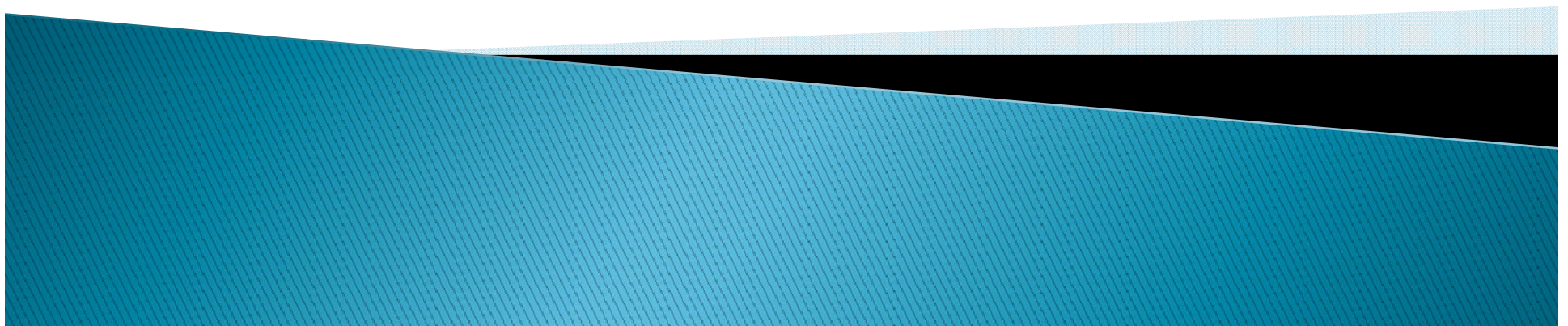
Fail-Silent / Fail-Operational Software

- ▶ Error detection and program flow monitoring
- ▶ Dependability and health monitoring services
- ▶ Event loggers for Diagnostics and Prognostics
- ▶ Reconfigurable for graceful degradation
- ▶ Fault isolation
- ▶ Standards-compliant interfaces (both hardware and software)

Operational Demands

- ▶ Limited inspection and maintenance by end-users
- ▶ Wide temperature range (-50°C to 175°C)
- ▶ Mechanical stress (vibration, pressure, temperature cycles)
- ▶ High voltage/current for power semiconductors and switches
- ▶ Long-term reliability requirement
- ▶ Long-term (10 years or more) data stability
- ▶ “Zero defects”

Connected Vehicles



OnStar (for example)

▶ Safety

- Airbag deployment warning
- Automatic dispatch of help

▶ Maintenance

- Vehicle diagnostics
- Regular reports

▶ Convenience

- Remote door lock/unlock
- Stolen vehicle tracking and disabling

▶ Concierge

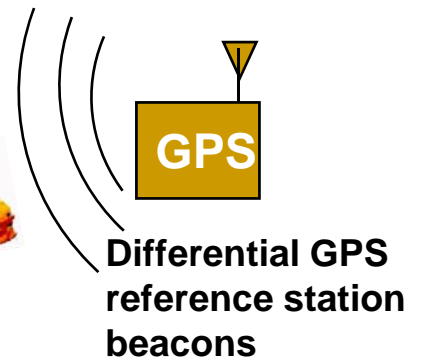
- Locations
- Directions

Multi-hop Vehicular Network Test-bed

5.9 GHz DSRC Dedicated Short Range Communications Between vehicles



Mobile Nodes in Pittsburgh, PA



Differential GPS reference station beacons



EVDO Cellular Network connects mobile gateway



Remote Monitoring of Experiment in Detroit, Michigan

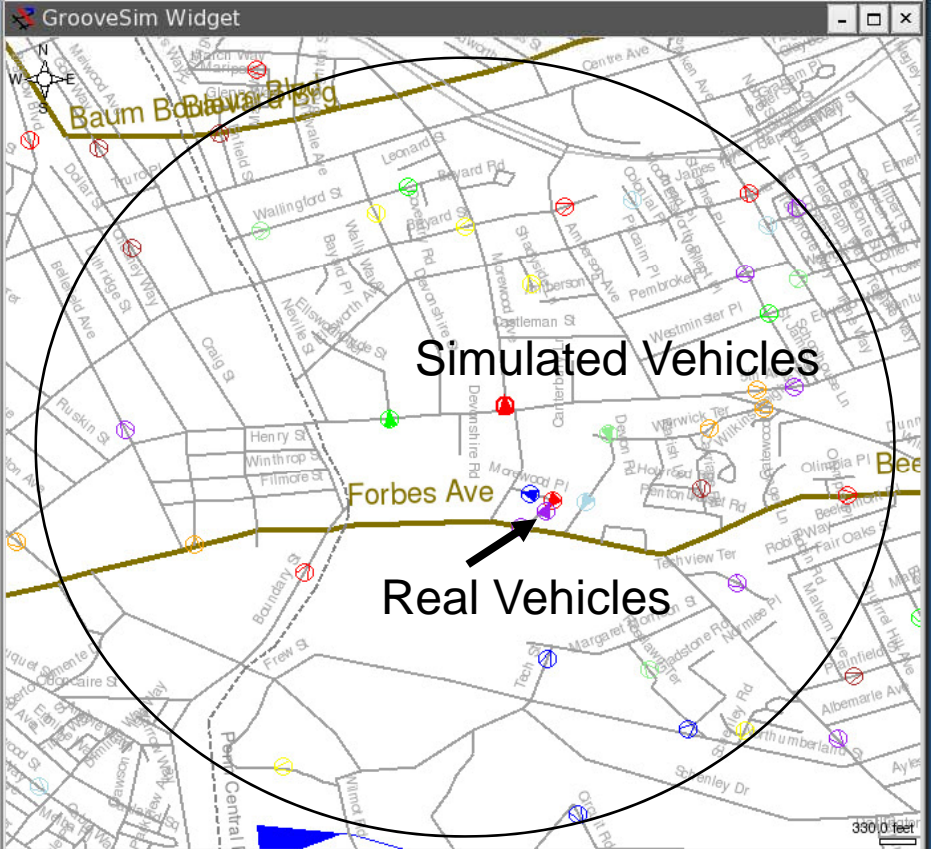
1. Vehicle-to-Vehicle Multi-hop
2. Vehicle-to-Infrastructure

GrooveSim Widget

Vehicle	Type	Longitude	Latitude	Speed	Headir
192.168.1.82	Local/Simulated	-79.954209 °	40.444160 °	25 mph	130.24 °
192.168.1.83	Local/Simulated	-79.933996 °	40.441128 °	25 mph	71.57 °
192.168.1.84	Local/Simulated	-79.948152 °	40.438833 °	25 mph	-99.46 °
192.168.1.85	Local/Simulated	-79.940059 °	40.446695 °	25 mph	168.69 °
192.168.1.86	Local/Simulated	-79.927373 °	40.435799 °	25 mph	0.00 °
192.168.1.87	Local/Simulated	-79.936821 °	40.452889 °	25 mph	-33.69 °
192.168.1.88	Local/Simulated	-79.927684 °	40.443057 °	25 mph	-174.29 °
192.168.1.89	Local/Simulated	-79.936848 °	40.443189 °	25 mph	122.62 °
192.168.1.90	Local/Simulated			ph	85.60 °
192.168.1.91	Local/Simulated			ph	-83.66 °
192.168.1.92	Local/Simulated			ph	-110.31 °
192.168.1.93	Local/Simulated	-79.928096 °	40.429347 °	25 mph	-82.11 °
192.168.1.94	Local/Simulated	-79.931711 °	40.444872 °	25 mph	68.20 °
192.168.1.95	Local/Simulated	-79.953997 °	40.453772 °	25 mph	163.14 °
192.168.1.96	Local/Simulated	-79.953841 °	40.429937 °	25 mph	135.00 °
192.168.1.97	Local/Simulated	-79.934435 °	40.439376 °	25 mph	138.37 °
192.168.1.98	Local/Simulated	-79.963582 °	40.453897 °	25 mph	-56.31 °
192.168.1.99	Local/Simulated	-79.966349 °	40.439907 °	25 mph	-98.33 °
192.168.1.100	Local/Simulated	-79.942064 °	40.450700 °	25 mph	-24.10 °
192.168.1.101	Local/Simulated	-79.940780 °	40.445058 °	25 mph	-146.30 °
192.168.1.102	Local/Simulated	-79.929316 °	40.452525 °	25 mph	73.30 °
192.168.1.103	Local/Simulated	-79.940728 °	40.437519 °	25 mph	151.39 °
192.168.1.104	Local/Simulated	-79.942184 °	40.457106 °	25 mph	-60.64 °
192.168.1.1	Network	-79.936571 °	40.447486 °	25 mph	-105.26 °
192.168.1.2	Network				.54 °
192.168.1.3	Network				8 °
192.168.1.4	Network				0 °
192.168.1.5	Network	-79.929210 °	40.445563 °	25 mph	111.80 °

Simulated Vehicles

Real Vehicles in vicinity



Vehicle/Simulator: 192.168.1.2

Reconnect | Disconnect | Reinitialize

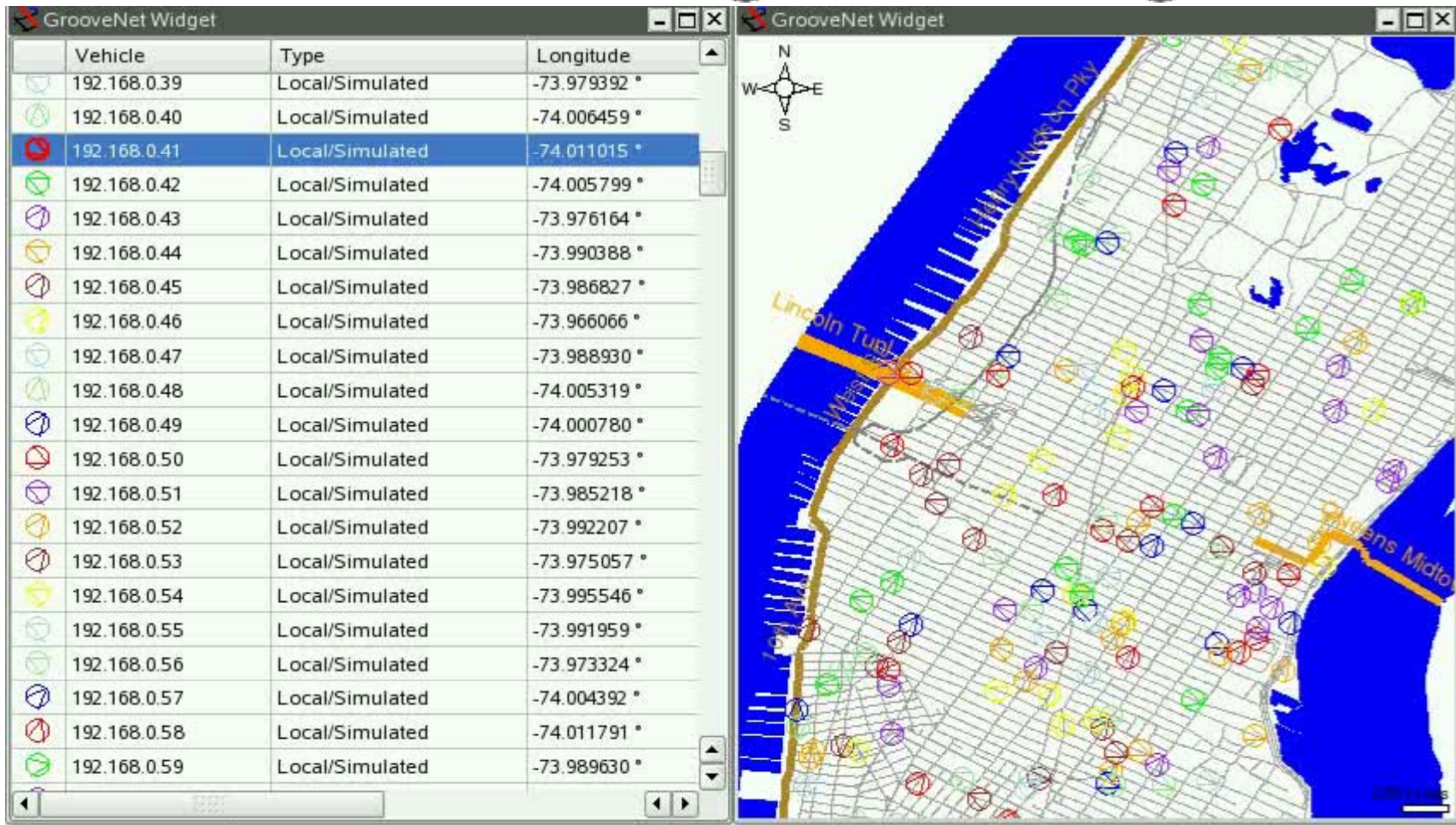
Denso Client | TCP Client | UDP Client

Close | Stop Server

Network Connections with Real Vehicles

Real Network Connectivity

New York – Message Flooding



Health Monitoring



- ▶ Exploit real-time information streams
- ▶ Cross-functional coordination
- ▶ Collaboration with partners and competitors

Challenges

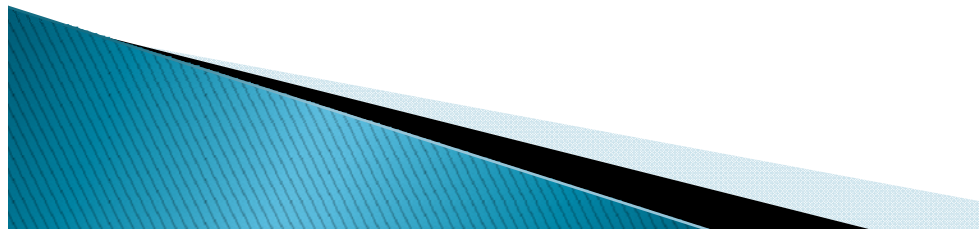
- ▶ Sensor Fusion and Data Mining
- ▶ Methods for designing reliable software systems
- ▶ Reliable sensors, communications, actuators and computations
- ▶ Information and controls security
- ▶ Fail-soft technologies
- ▶ Diagnostics and Prognostics
- ▶ Energy storage and recovery
- ▶ Complexity management

Personalization



Education and Training

- ▶ Need to bring “cyber–physical systems” (CPS) knowledge into the undergraduate engineering curriculum
- ▶ Need to bring technology advances to practicing automotive engineers



Conclusions

- ▶ An automobile is the most complex consumer appliance (and mobile device)
- ▶ Biggest challenges:
 - Electronics: tighter integration for less complexity
 - Computing, communications, sensors and actuators
 - Cost, cost and cost
 - Reliability: Dependable, safe and secure operations in real-time
 - Cost vs functionality tradeoffs
- ▶ V2X: V2V and V2I Connectivity