

4D SOLID-STATE LIDAR

Next Generation Now

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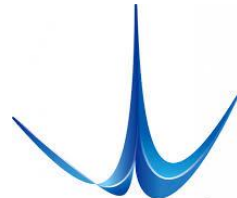
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LiDAR / scan your world



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HYBRID LIDAR SYSTEMS AG



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AGENDA



- **About Ibeo**
- **Where we came from**
- **Where are we now**
- **Ibeo Research**
- **Key take aways**



Worldwide technology leader in the field of LiDAR sensors, associated products, and software tools.



- **Hamburg, Germany**
- **Eindhoven, Netherlands**
- **Detroit, USA**
- **Coming soon: China**

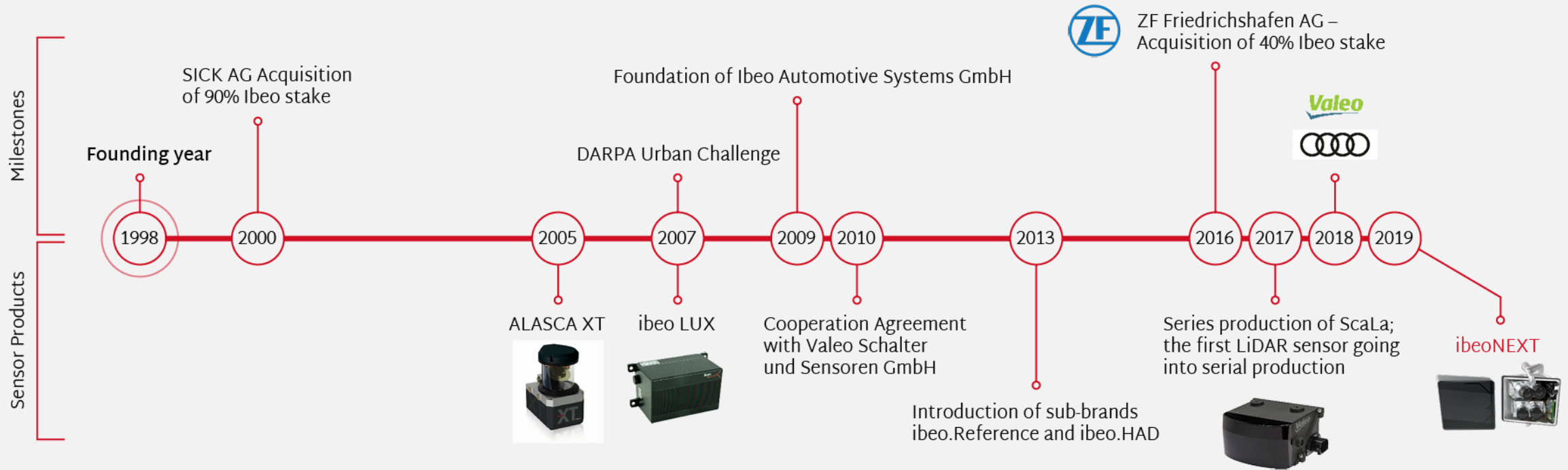


**Sales increase:
342% from 2014 to 2018**

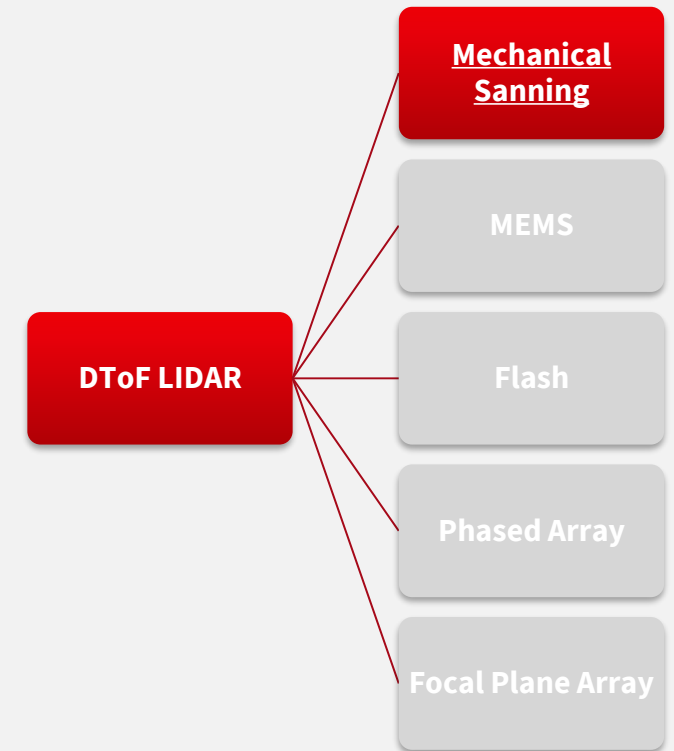
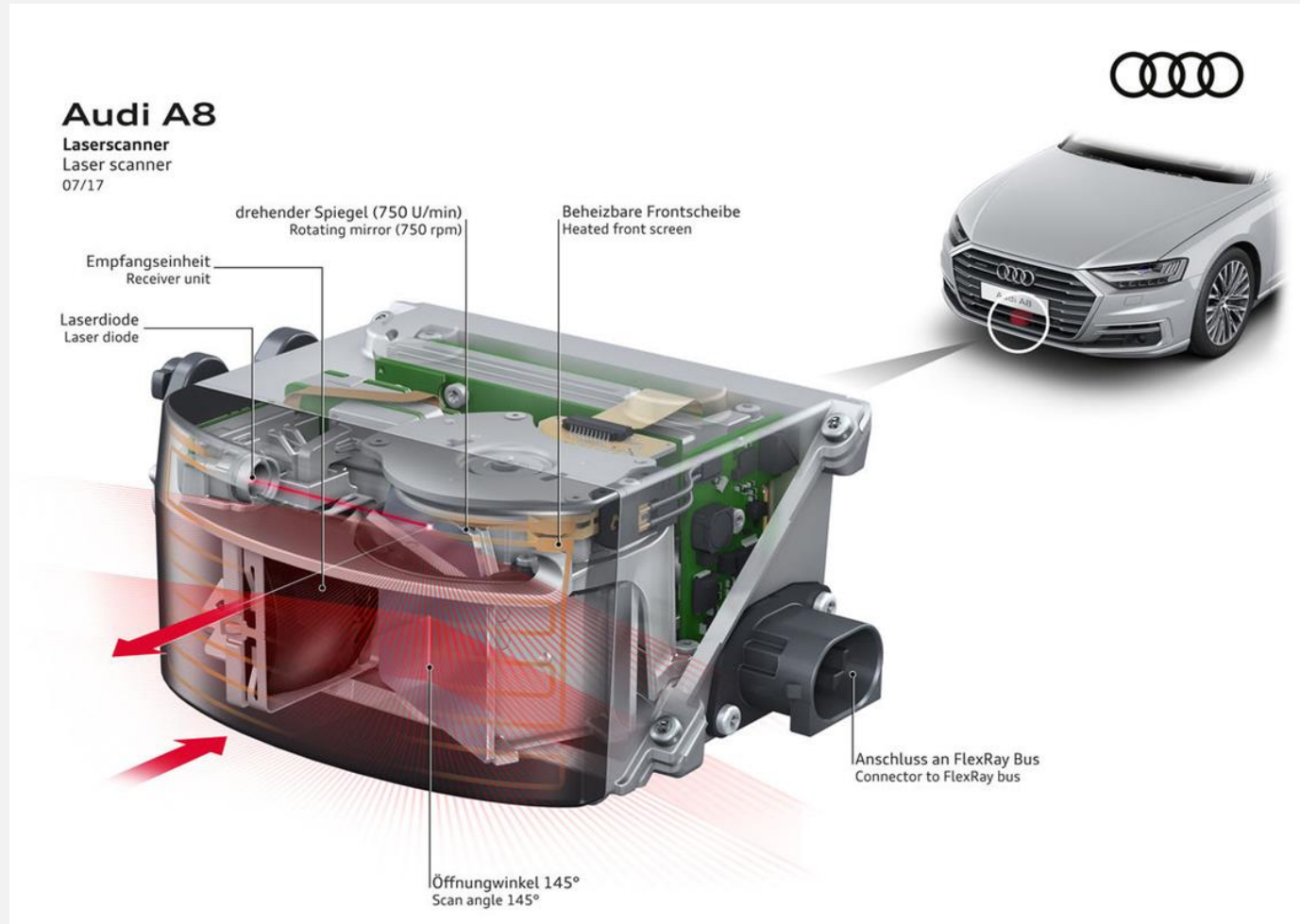


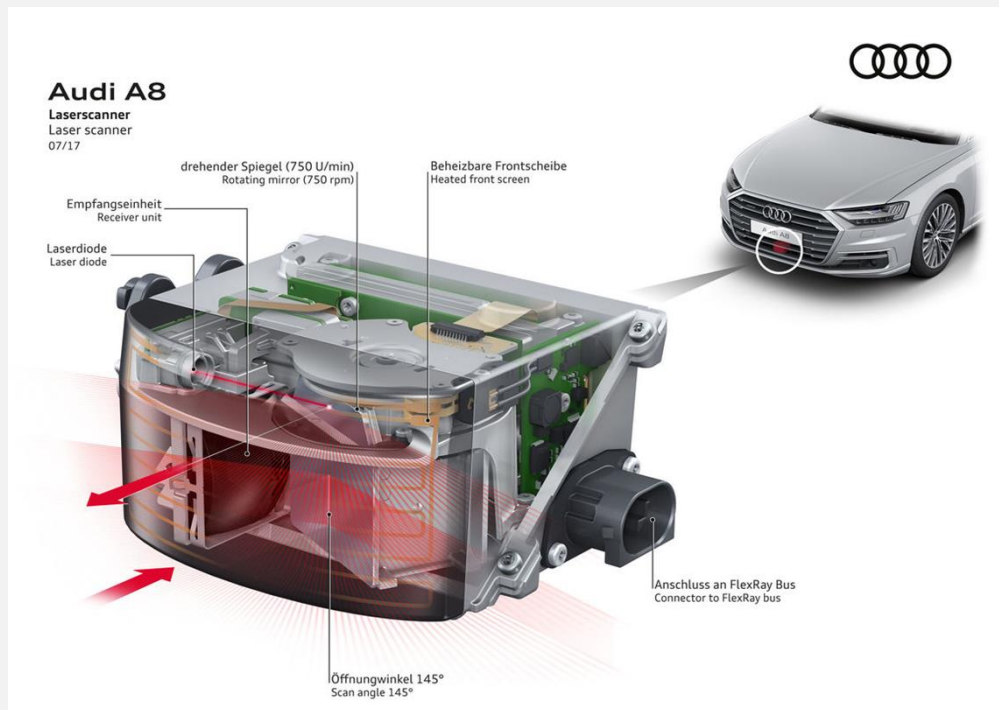
400+ employees

A 20 YEARS SUCCESS STORY



WHERE WE CAME FROM





And with solid-state we mean SPAD technology

A real 3D environmental sensing solution

~30 % cost due to mechanical scanning

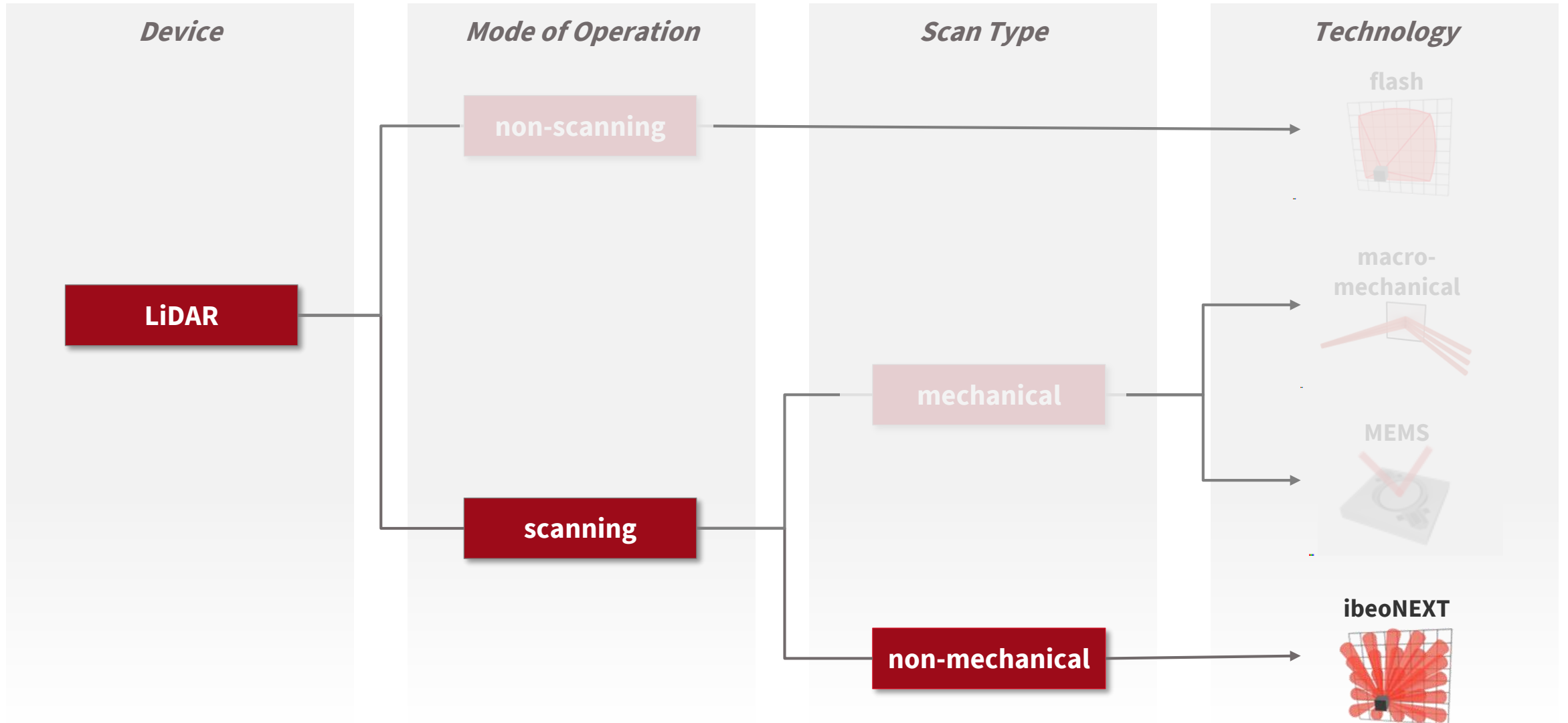
~30 % Volume due to mechanical scanning

~factor 1000 improved sensitivity in system, e.g nW - pW

~factor 100 less power per detector

Waveform information available → on-chip DSP per detector channel

THE IBEONEXT IS A 4D SOLID STATE, SEQUENTIAL FLASHING, NON-MECHANICAL LIDAR





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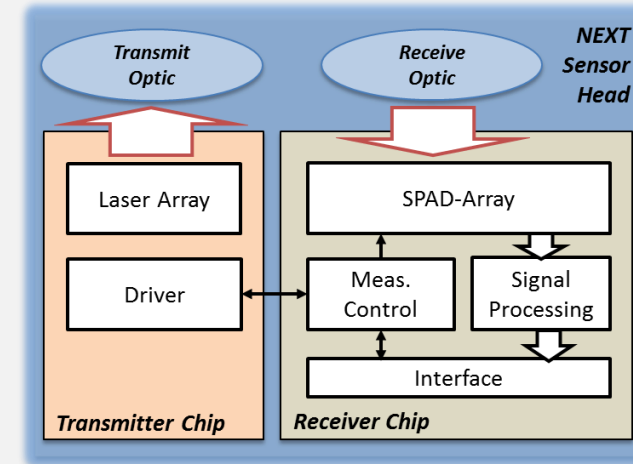
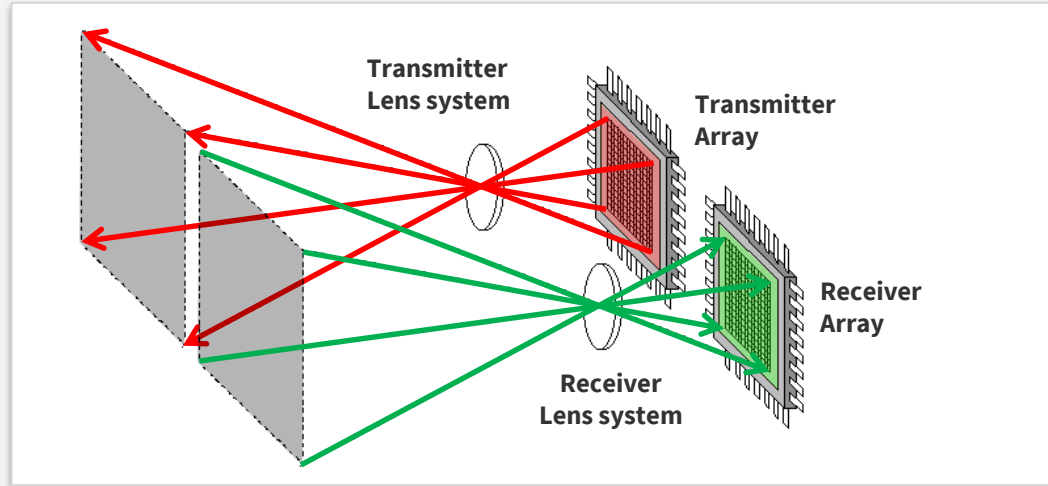
ibeoNEXT: 4D Solid State LiDAR

- Very high resolution (e.g. 0.044 deg)
- Long range (e.g. 300 m)
- Large FOV (e.g. 120x60 deg)
- Eye-safe Laserclass 1
- Low energy consumption
- ADAS and AD (from L2+ to L5)
- Frame rate 25 Hz
- Modular concept
- Absolutely no moving parts
- Small size and small weight
- Output: 3D point cloud & intensity image



The future in sensing for autonomous driving!

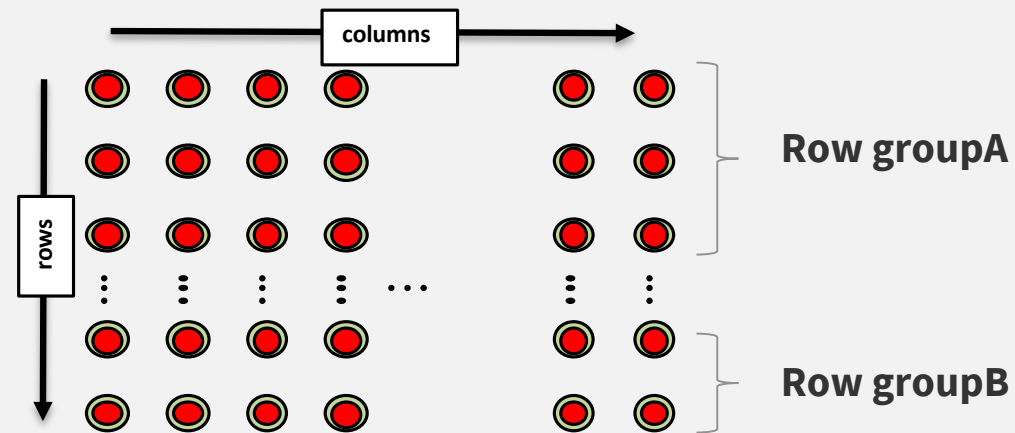
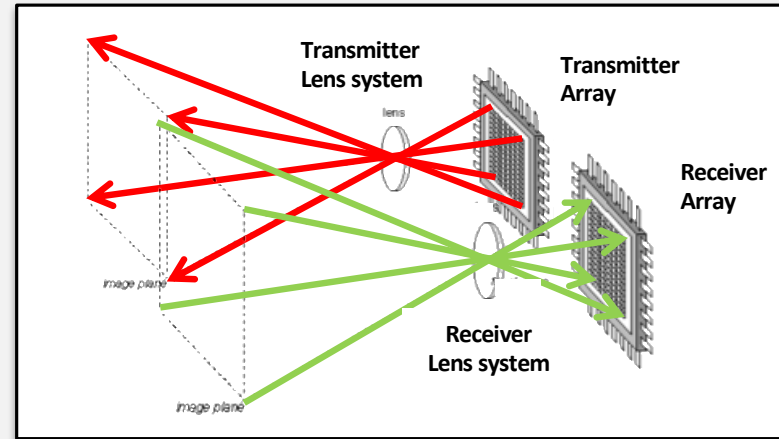
HOW IT WORKS - IBEO'S FRONTEND DESIGN



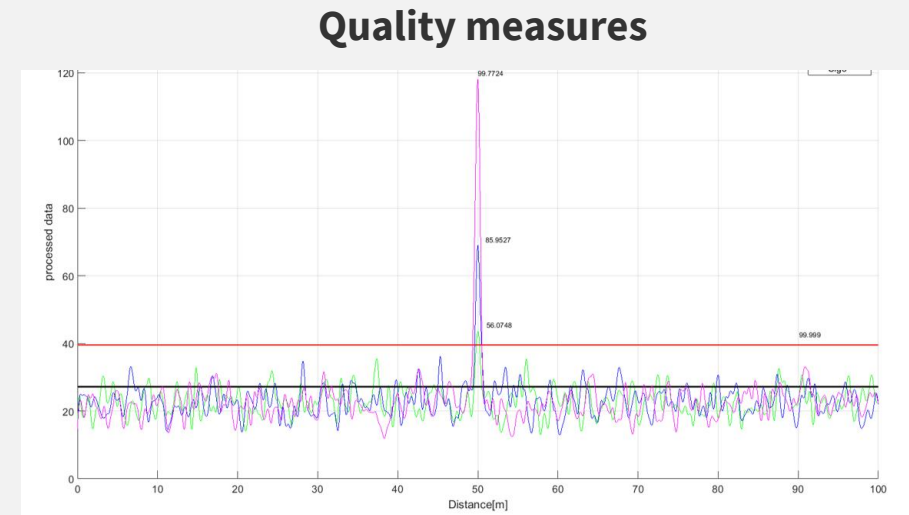
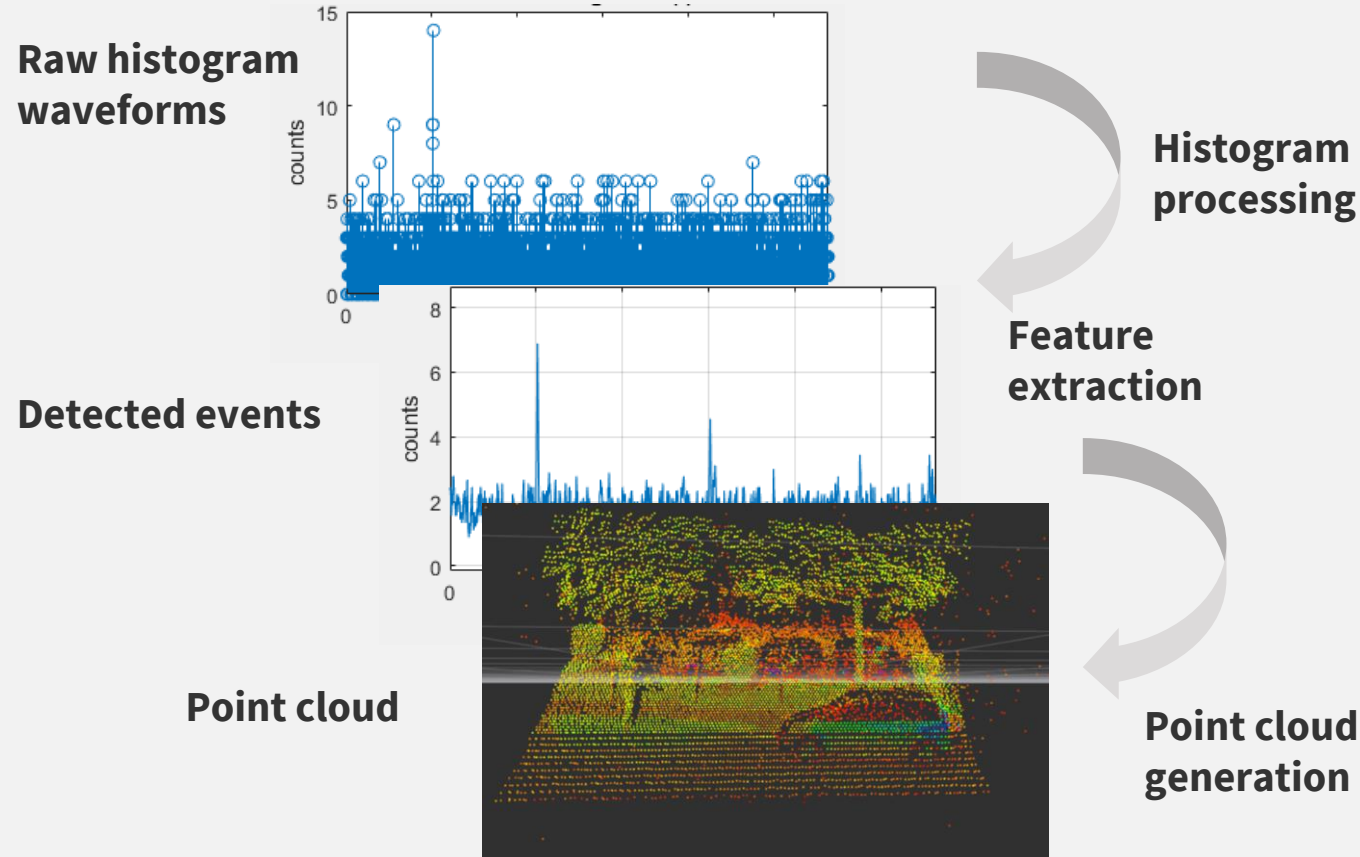
The Frontend consists of

- A transmitter array and a receiver array
- A transmitter lens system and a receiver lens system
- Digital receiver technology - SPAD based
- Digital processing unit to create point clouds (not visible in the picture)
- The Array consists of 100 rows and 128 columns
- 25Hz Frame time -> 40ms

HOW IT WORKS – SEQUENTIAL FLASH SCANNING



HOW IT WORKS - IBEO'S FULLY DIGITAL FRONTEND



INTENSITY IMAGE USAGE FOR LANE DETECTION



Ground is an essential part of the Road model



Lanes are on the ground

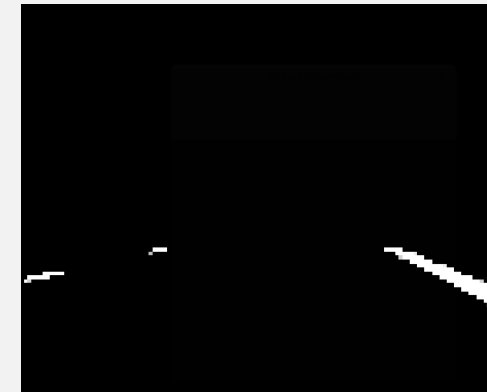
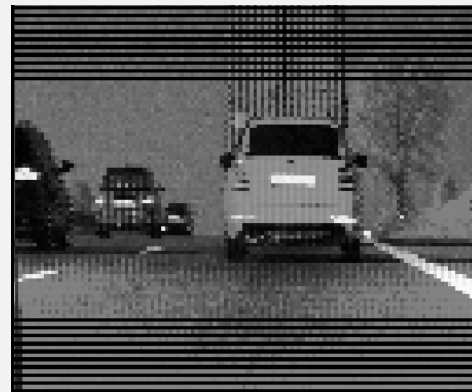
Lanes are highly reflective

Hence: identify bright spots on the ground



Lanes are always on the ground

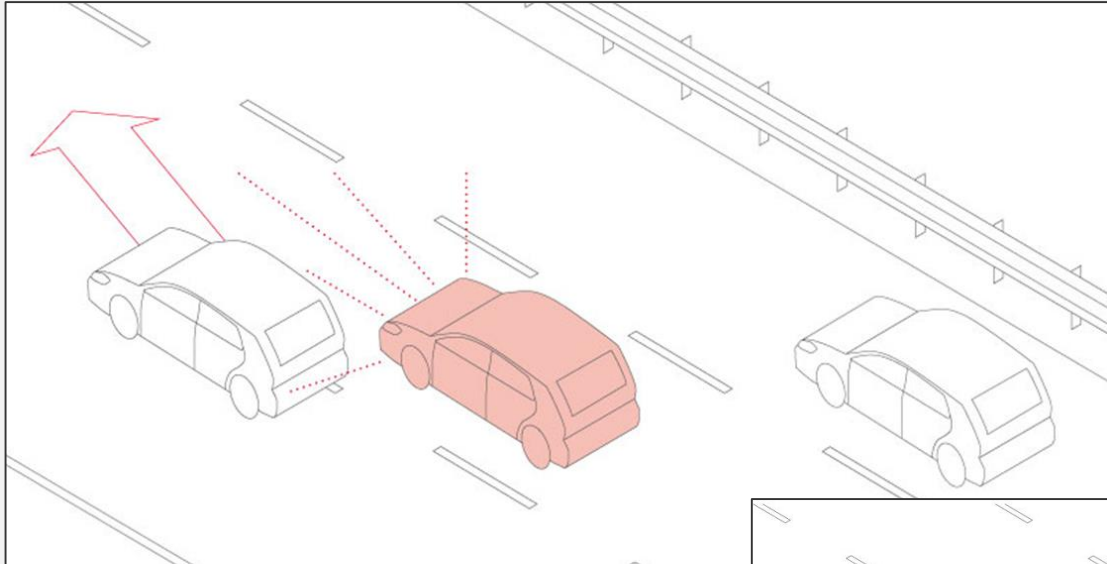
Apply ground model, intensity range, and layer filtering



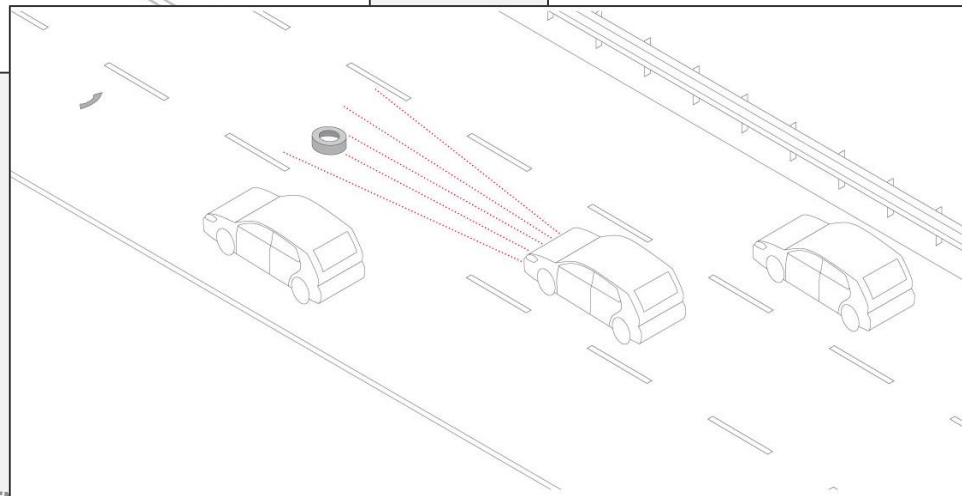
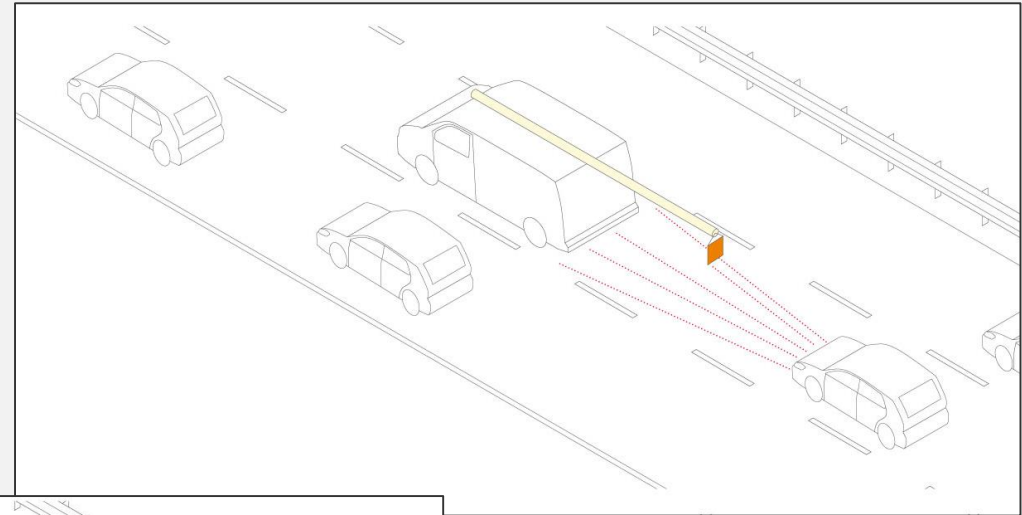
WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT USE CASES

VEHICLE CUT-IN

Vehicle cut-in



Overhanging loads

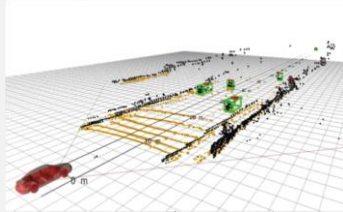


Small obstacles on the road

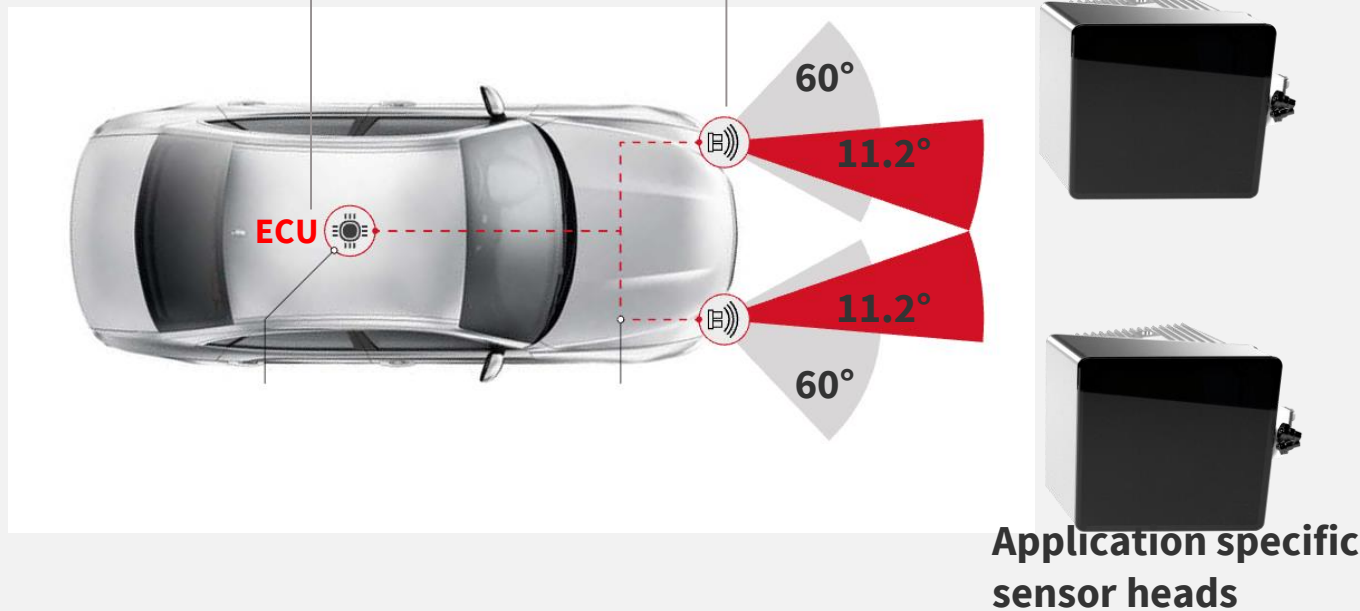
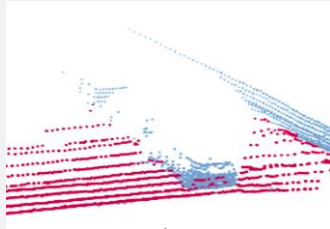
HOW WE SOLVED IT – FRONT LOOKING



Ibeo Environment representation



LiDAR point cloud



		Long-range sensor (11.2°)	Mid-range sensor (60°)
Columns	#	128	128
Rows	#	80 (+20) ^{***}	80 (+20) ^{***}
Pixel	#	10240	10240
Hor. FoV	°	11.2	60
Ver. FoV	°	5.6 (7) ^{***}	30 (37.5) ^{***}
Horizontal Angular Resolution (per row)	°	0.088	0.47
Horizontal Angular Resolution (interlaces)	°	0.044	0.23
Vertical Angular Resolution	°	0.07	0.38
Configured design range	m	260	80
Detection Range (10%)	M	150	60
Classification* of tire	m	85	15
Classification* of pedestrian	m	165	35
Classification* of car	m	250	60
First detection** of car	m	260	80

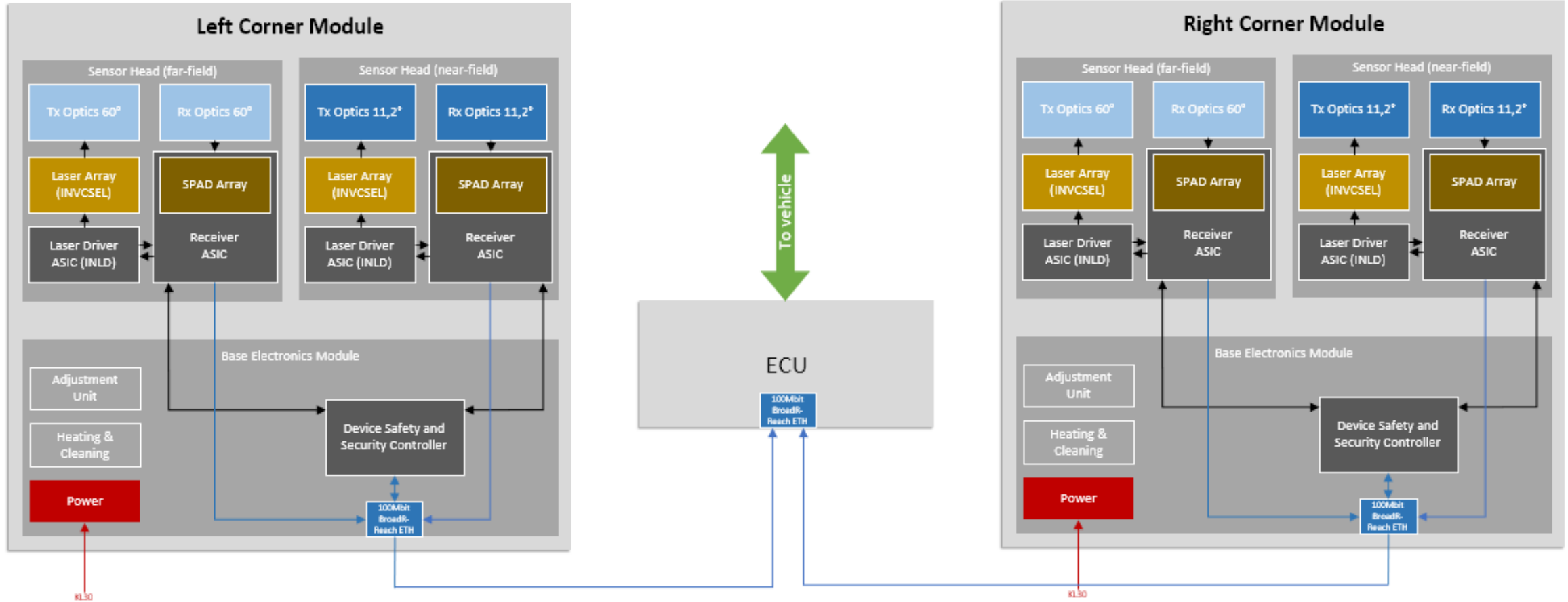
* Ranges for 40ms periodic scan (25Hz). Object is classified as an object on the interface with high confidence

** Ranges for 40ms periodic scan(25Hz) . Objects detected by pixel, i.e., an object is detected as a point in the point cloud

*** Sensor is reconfigurable at assembly-time to extend the vertical resolution and FoV depending on the use-cases

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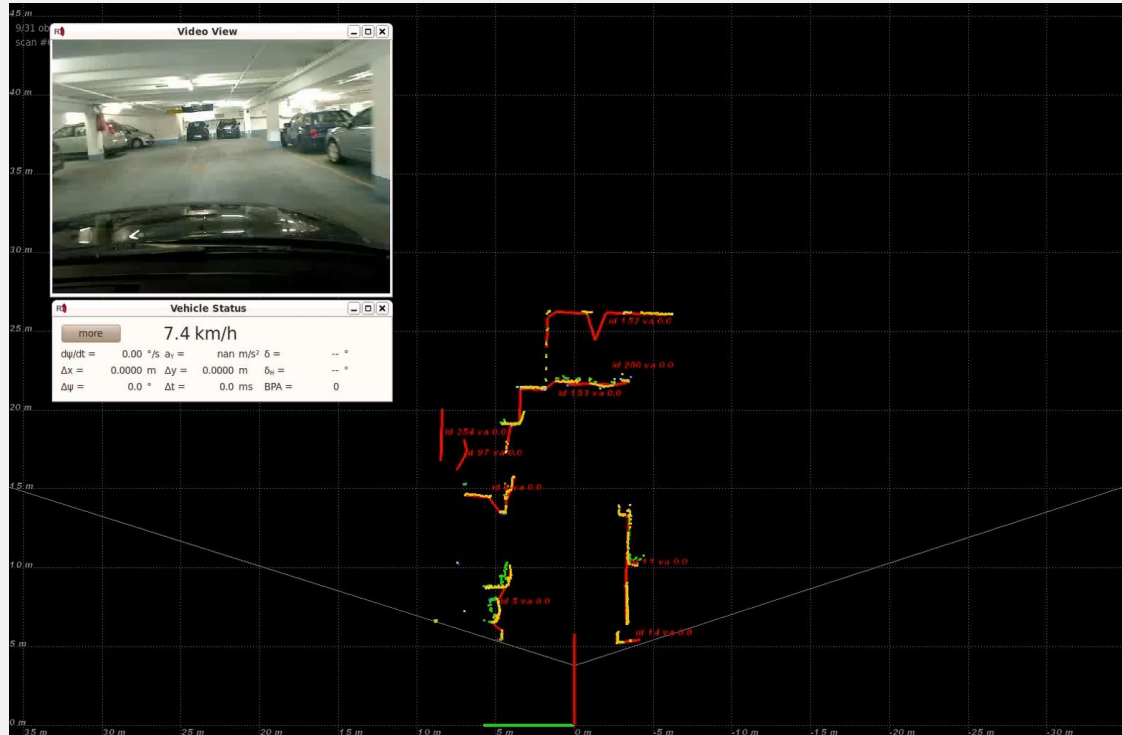
HW ARCHITECTURE OF FRONT LOOKING SYSTEM



SCALA VS IBEONEXT POINTCLOUD – WHY SOLID-STATE (2 OF 2)



LUX



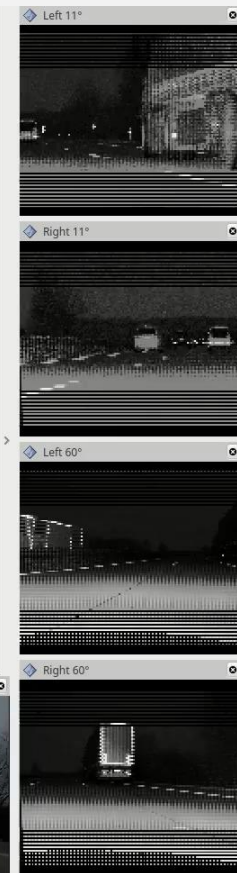
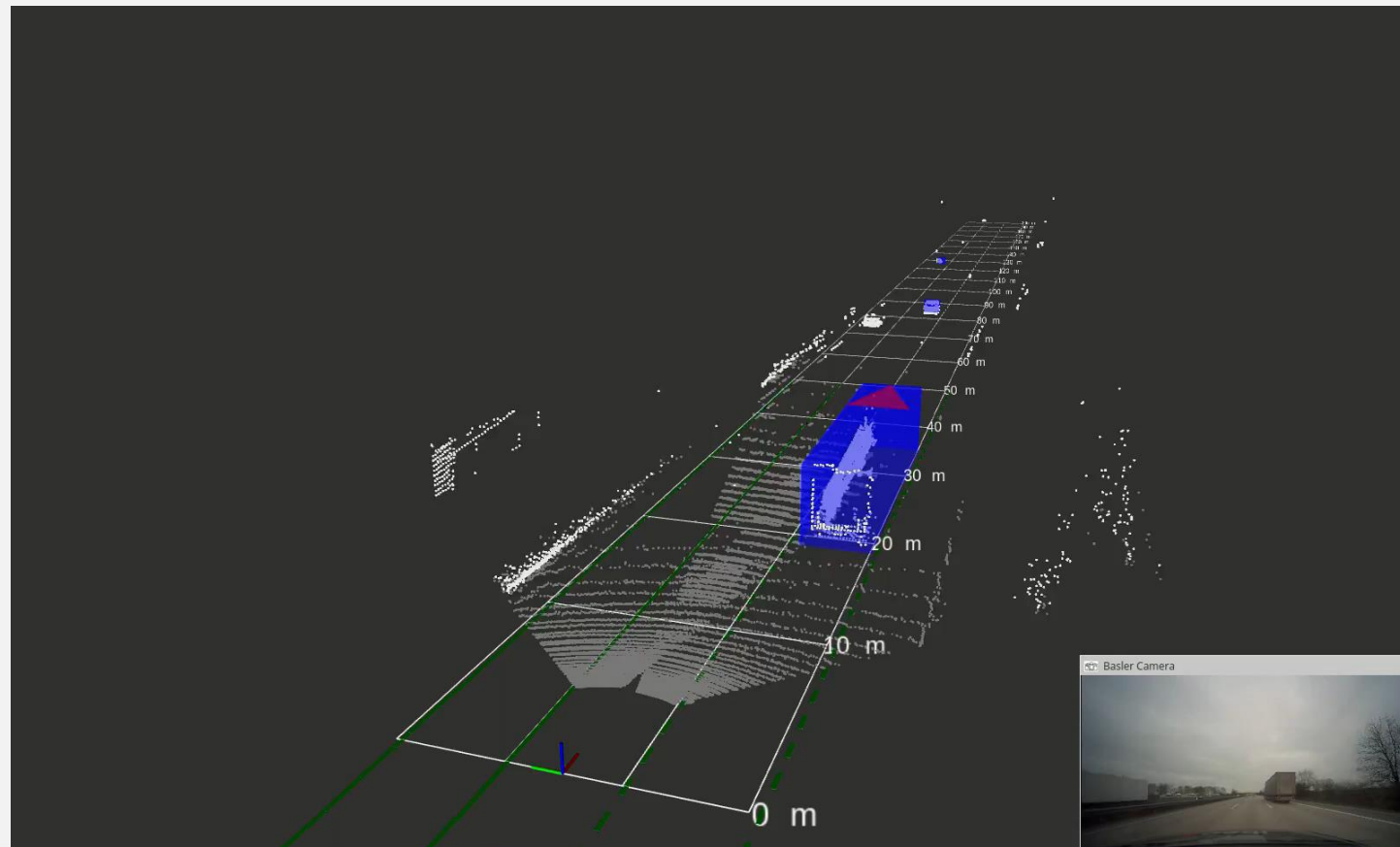
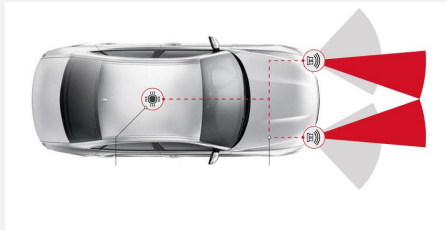
IbeoNEXT in urban scenario



IBEONEXT 4D SOLID STATE LIDAR- ACC ON HIGHWAY



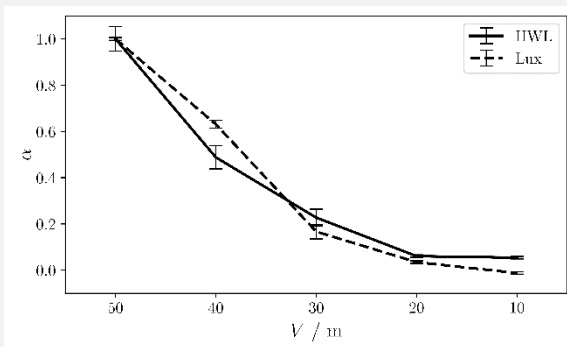
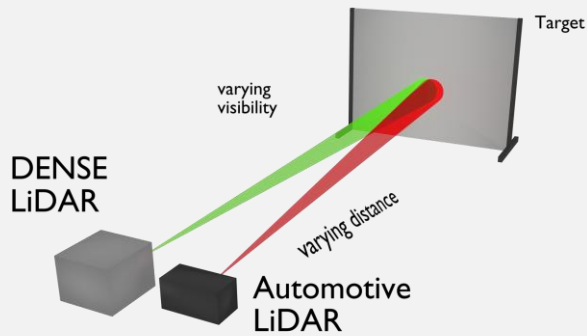
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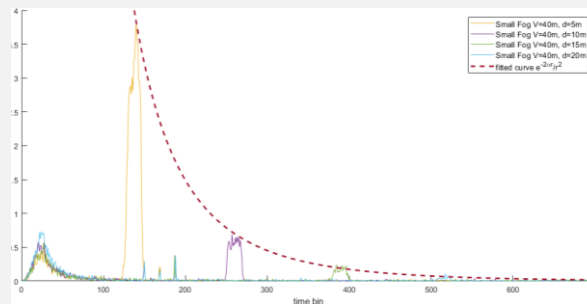
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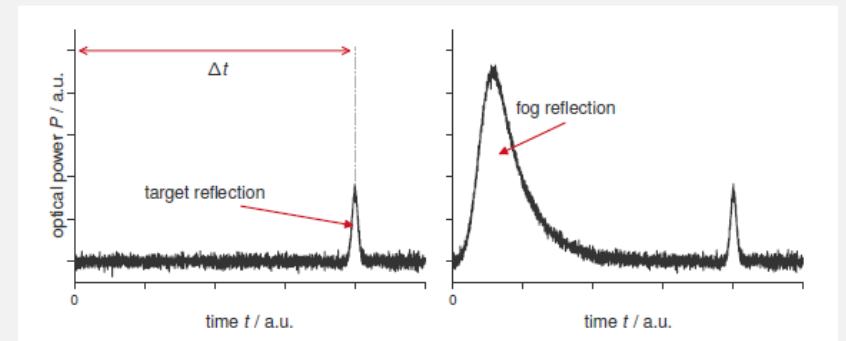
905 nm vs 1550 nm wavelength benchmark performance in Fog



Performance prediction in Fog and Spray conditions



embedded Fog detection



Automotive LiDAR performance verification in fog and rain, Kutila et al.

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VISION, IDENTIFICATION, WITH Z-SENSING TECHNOLOGIES AND KEY APPLICATIONS



OBJECTIVE

Develop innovative technologies for **optical sensors** and **laser sources**, for short to long-range **3D-imaging**, and **demonstrate their value** in several key applications

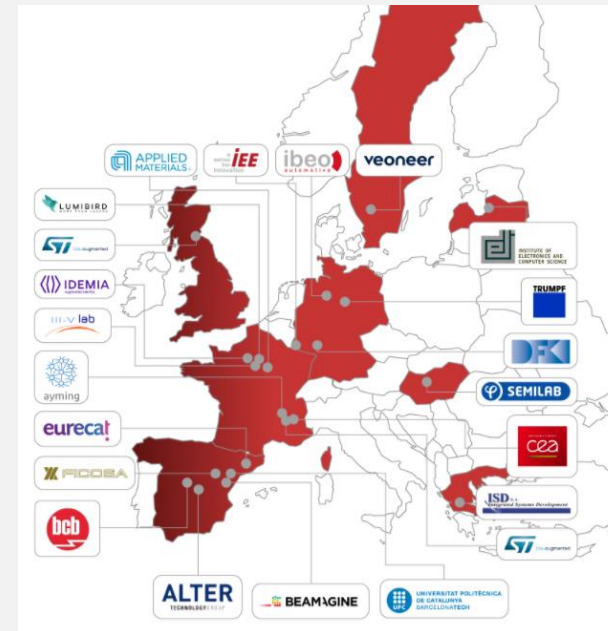
MAIN TARGETS

- **Develop innovative technologies** for 3D-imaging depth map high resolution sensors and associated IR light sources
- **Exercise new 3D sensors and light sources in key applications** with various ranges: Secured access, driver monitoring, object recognition, few cm to several meters, up to LiDARs systems with hundreds meters range
- **Build partnership ecosystems** foreseeing future competitive European products for Automotive, Security, Smart Cities and Industry4.0 and anticipate normative requirements

DURATION 3,5 years - May 2019 until Oct 2022

FUNDING 21 M€

COORDINATION STMicroelectronics Crolles (France)



See more at: www.vizta-ecsel.eu/

- SPAD's are the key enabling technology for solid-state based automotive LiDAR solutions
- VCSEL and SPAD fits very well together
- IbeoNEXT is smaller than a credit card (one sensor head output 4D point cloud), **small package size**
- Detection range at a 10% target is **150 m** and angular resolution is **0.044° x 0.07°** for our front looking solution
- **Pedestrians** can be classified up to **165m**
- Use cases like **Vehicle Cut-In, Overhanging loads and small obstacles** are solved
- **on-chip digital signal processing per pixel**
- **Modular and flexible** in adapting customer requirements

- **First samples** available end of **June 2020**
- **First in the market** solid-state LiDAR serial production in **2022**

- **We are first in lots of things** and now with our next generation 4D solid-state LiDAR **ibeoNEXT**.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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