



Quest for Autonomous Vehicles Safety Standardisation:

Automotive Radar Standards and Verification

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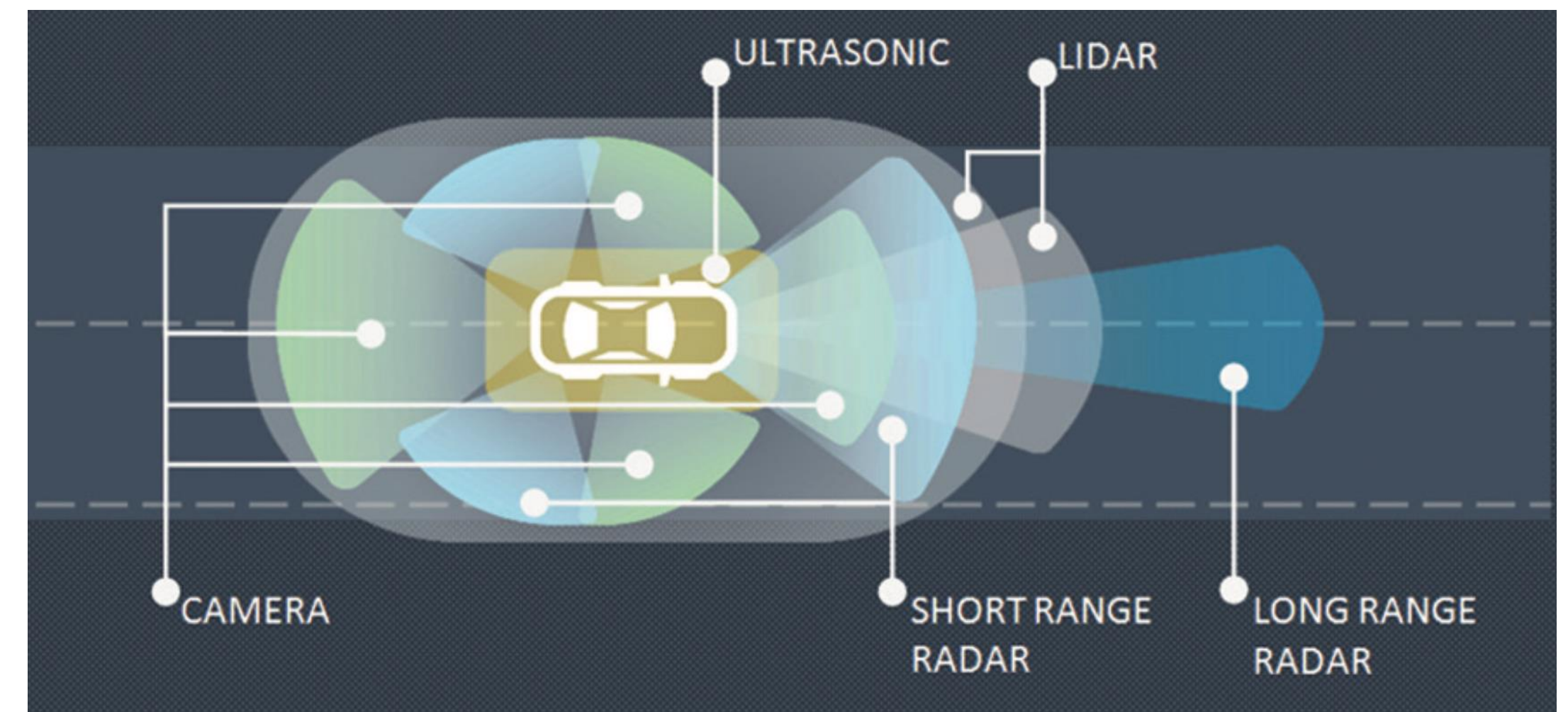
INTRODUCTION TO AUTONOMOUS DRIVING AND ADAS PROMISES

- ▶ Autonomous driving is revolutionising future mobility and car ownership
- ▶ Autonomous vehicles should create much higher safety than human drivers
- ▶ ADAS is growing beyond level 2 to level2+ and 3, demanding less responsibility from drivers
- ▶ The definition of ADAS features is not unified between car manufacturers
- ▶ **There is no standard for autonomy yet!**



CHALLENGES FOR DEPLOYMENT AND UTILIZATION OF ADAS/AD

- ▶ Millions of kilometres of test-driving for demonstrating the safety of ADAS/AD
- ▶ Various sensors and complicated systems
- ▶ Need for “close to real-life” setups for extensive reliability tests
- ▶ Agile development is established in automotive industry, demanding even more testing



WHY TEST AND VERIFICATION IS DIFFICULT

- ▶ Different sensors need different tools to be tested
- ▶ Complex systems are hard to verify
- ▶ Long expeditions is needed to test in real-life
- ▶ Sensors and functions need to be tested under rare and dangerous traffic scenarios
- ▶ A lot of cases and scenarios exists for verification
- ▶ Ground truth (knowledge about actual scenario) is needed



Driving to Safety

How Many Miles of Driving Would It Take to Demonstrate Autonomous Vehicle Reliability?

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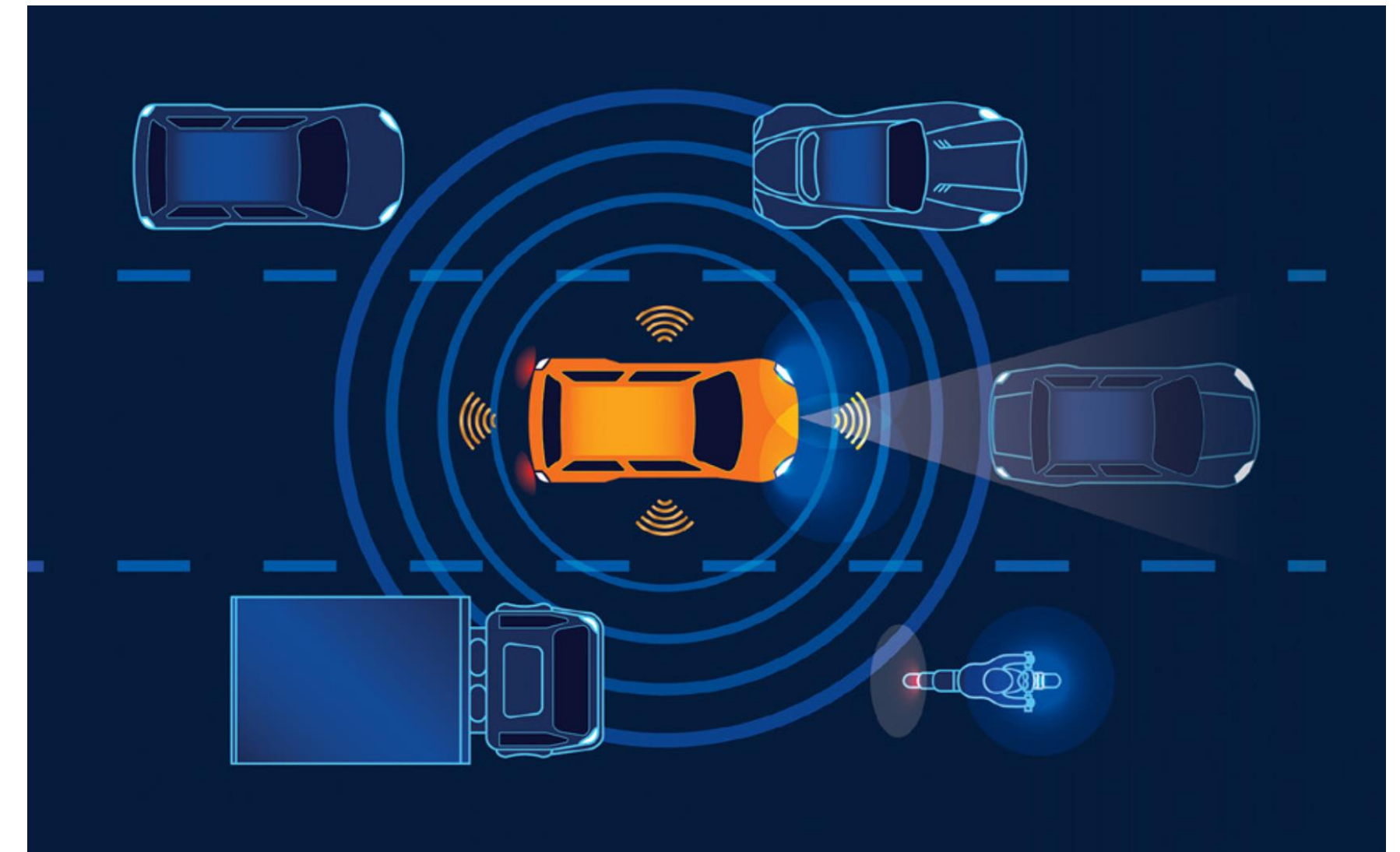
With a fleet of 100 autonomous vehicles being test-driven 24 hours a day, 365 days a year at an average speed of 25 miles per hour, this would take about 12.5 years.

STANDARDIZATION EFFORTS FOR ADAS/AD

- ▶ SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers): Standards on levels of automation
- ▶ IEEE: P2020 Standard on automotive image quality
- ▶ ISO: Functional Safety Standard ISO 26262, ISO PAS 21448 SOTIF (2022)
- ▶ EuroNCAP: AES, AEB,
- ▶ ETSI and FCC

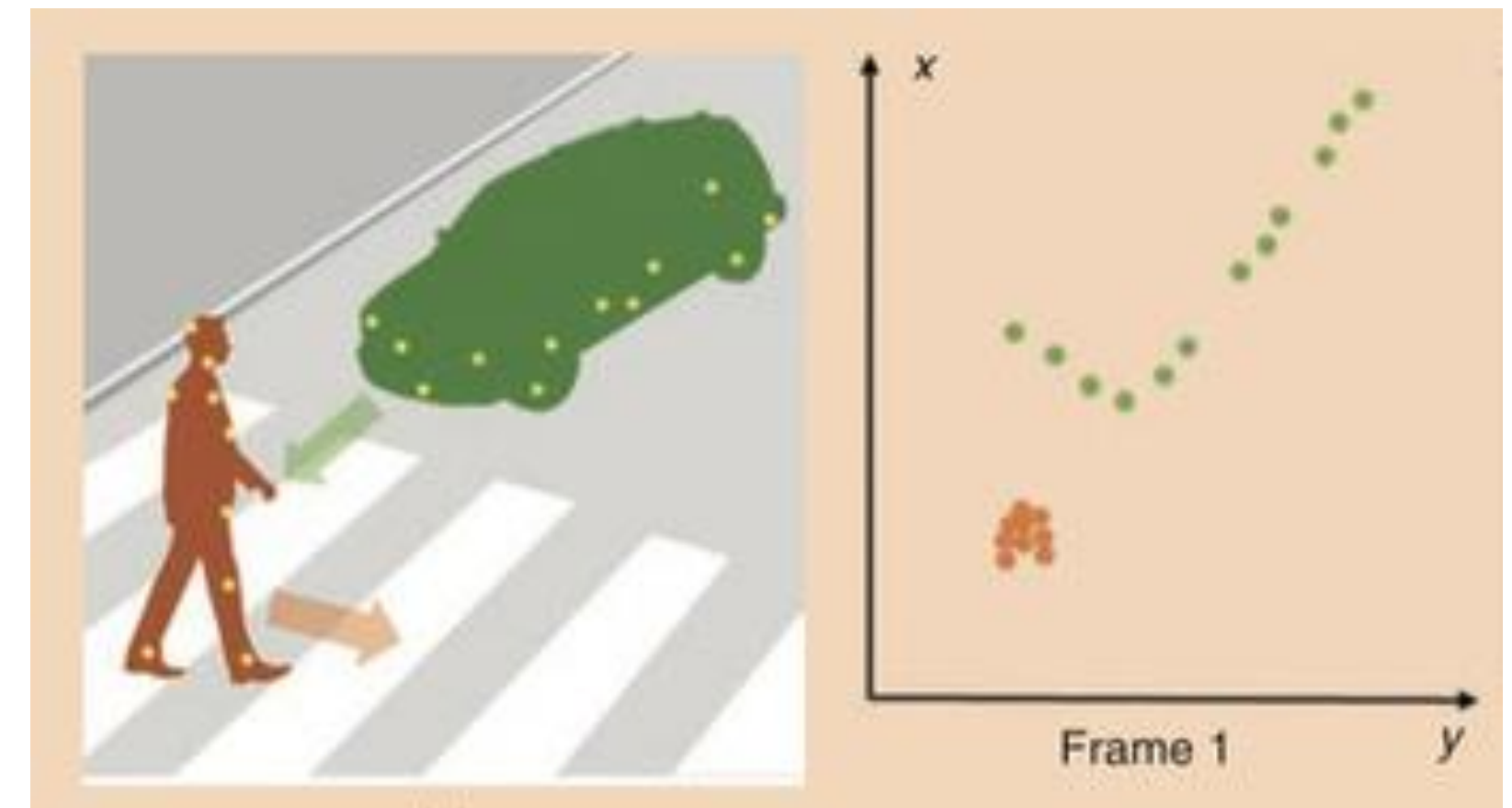
EXPECTATIONS OF RADAR STANDARDS FOR ADAS/AD

- ▶ Frequency band, radiated power and out of band emissions
- ▶ Design features, such as antenna FOV, minimum and maximum detection range, resolutions, etc.
- ▶ Radar performance in terms of
 - ▶ False alarm and mis-detection probabilities
 - ▶ Number of detectable targets
 - ▶ Detection of Vulnerable Road Users (VRUs)
 - ▶ Reliability in severe weather conditions, ice, snow, etc.
 - ▶ Interference detection and mitigation



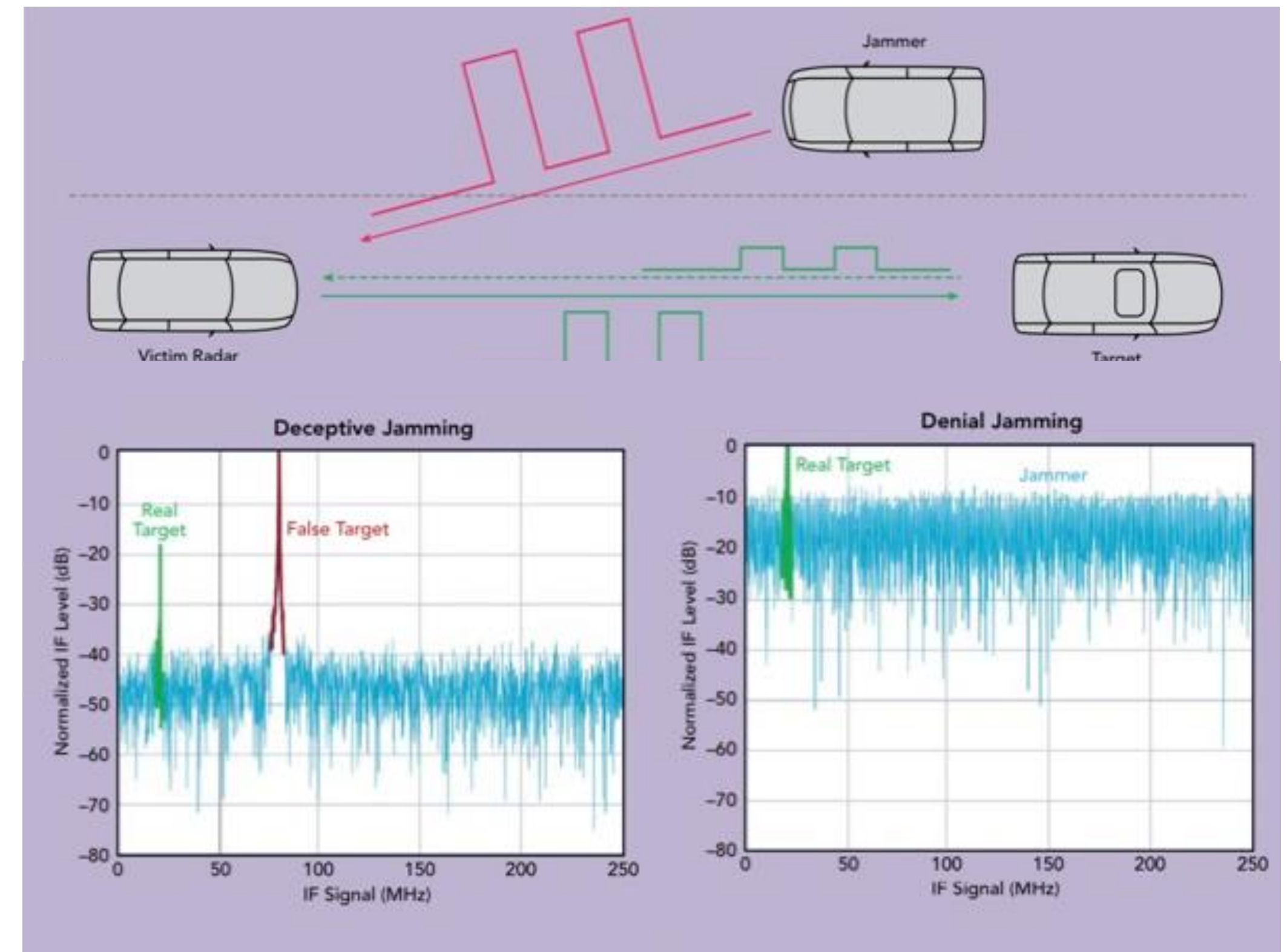
RADAR VERIFICATION EXPECTATIONS

- ▶ Automotive radars need to detect, classify and track slowly moving pedestrians or animals as well as fast moving vehicles
- ▶ Radar test systems must be able to create targets with:
 - ▶ Minimum distances $< 30\text{cm}$ and max distance $> 300\text{m}$
 - ▶ More than 50 reflection points
 - ▶ Dynamic range $> 80\text{dB}$
 - ▶ FoV > 80 degrees
 - ▶ Agile angular perception for all targets
 - ▶ Micro-Doppler signatures



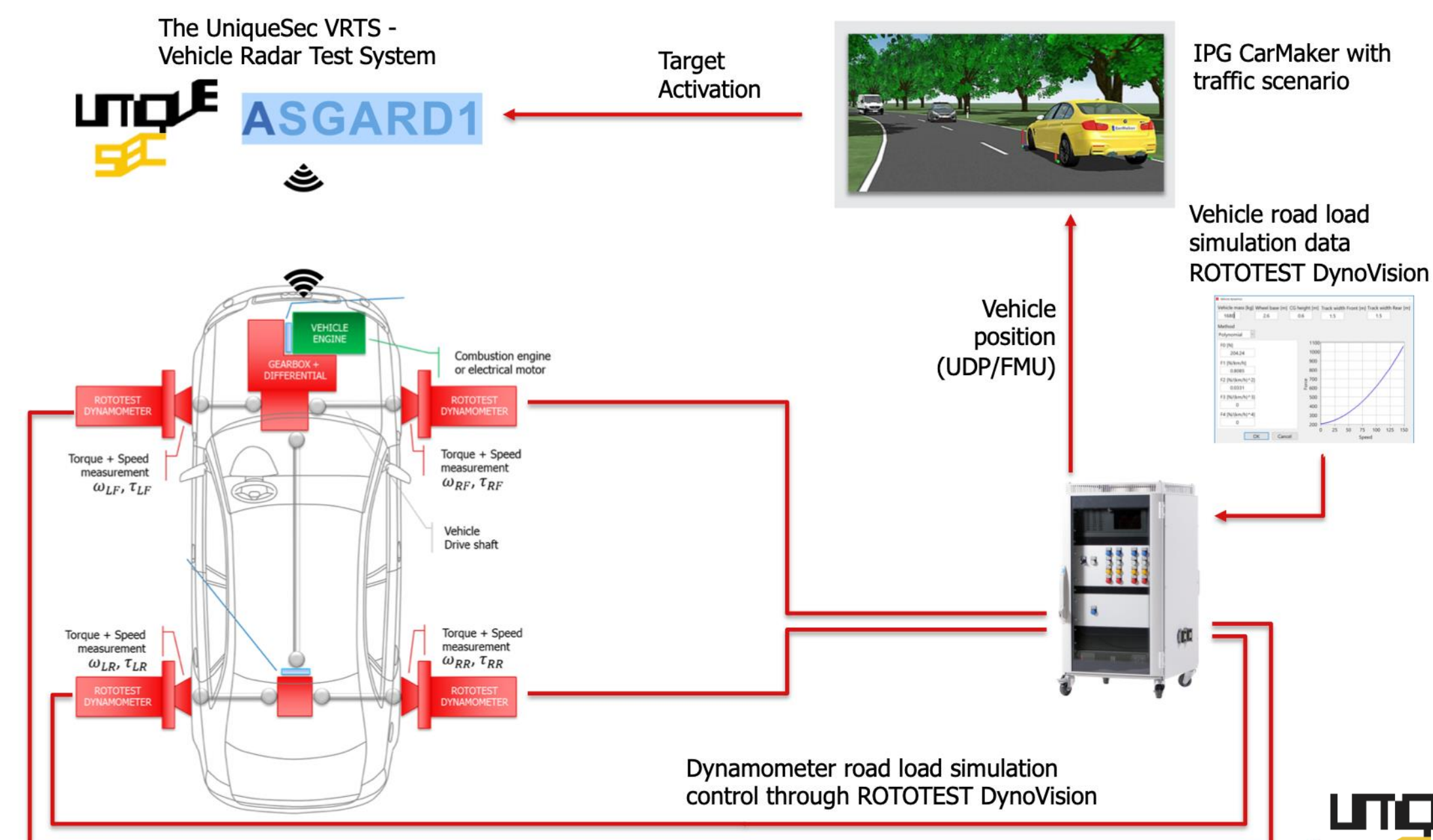
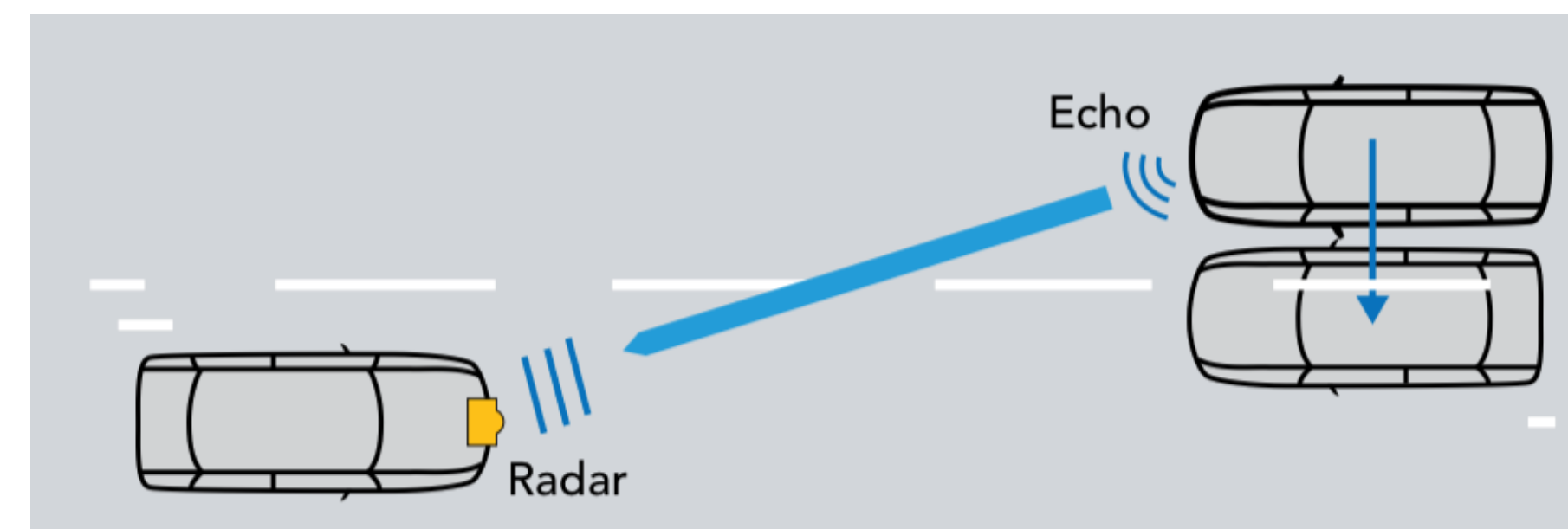
INTERFERENCE EFFECT ON RADAR DETECTIONS

- ▶ Widespread use of automotive radars
- ▶ Radars facing unintentional interference/jamming
- ▶ Radar losing track of real target
- ▶ Compromised safety



TESTING MECHANISMS FOR RADAR VALIDATION

- ▶ Radar target simulators (RTS) use
 - ▶ Delay method
 - ▶ Frequency spectrum method
- ▶ Calibration and alignment
- ▶ HIL / VIL testing
 - ▶ Sensor fusion
 - ▶ Crowded urban scenarios
 - ▶ Effect of fascia , emblem and paint



DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS FOR RADAR STANDARDISATION

- ▶ OEMs
- ▶ Tier-1s
- ▶ Testing agencies
- ▶ HIL manufacturers
- ▶ Environment Simulators
- ▶ EoL station manufacturers
- ▶ Workshops
- ▶ Car inspections
- ▶ etc.

