

# Automated driving - Validation

## Challenges & State of the art

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# AD ROBUSTNESS CHALLENGES

Data storage, management and annotation is a key challenge

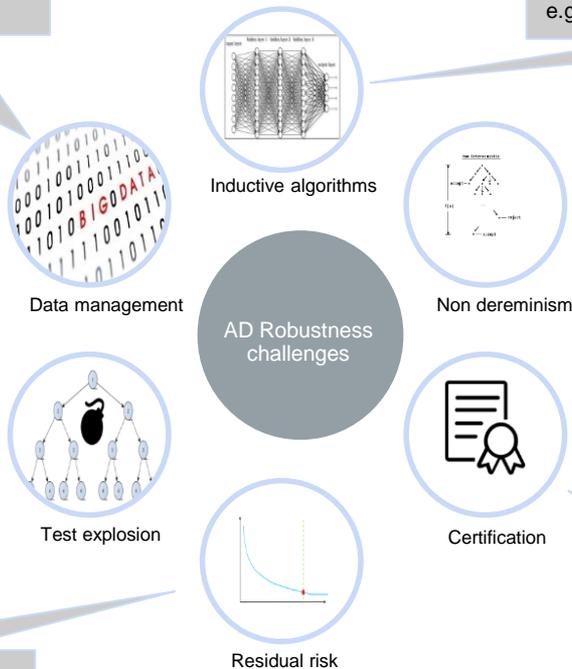
Response of a statistical based learning algorithm in a novel environment e.g black swan problem

Influence parameters are numerous, combining them for testing leads to combinatorial explosion

Stochastic algorithms do not guarantee the same output even in the same input conditions e.g Particle filter

Even after billions of driven miles, remains a risk that needs to be quantified

Agree on minimum specification that should be used for certification of AD

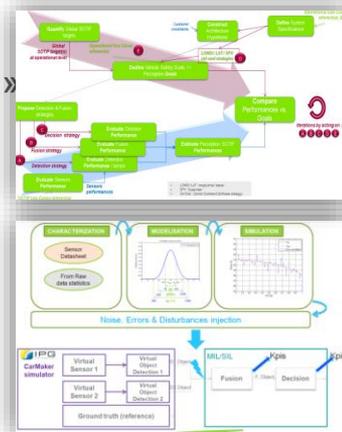


# SYSTEM APPROACH

## Design

### SOTIF methodology & simulation platform

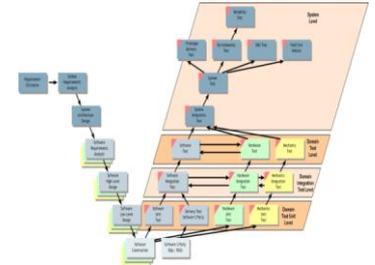
- **SOTIF methodology** based on dual « bottom up » and « top down »
- **Simulation platform** for robustness & availability testing
- Catalog of **use cases & realistic sensors models**



## Validation

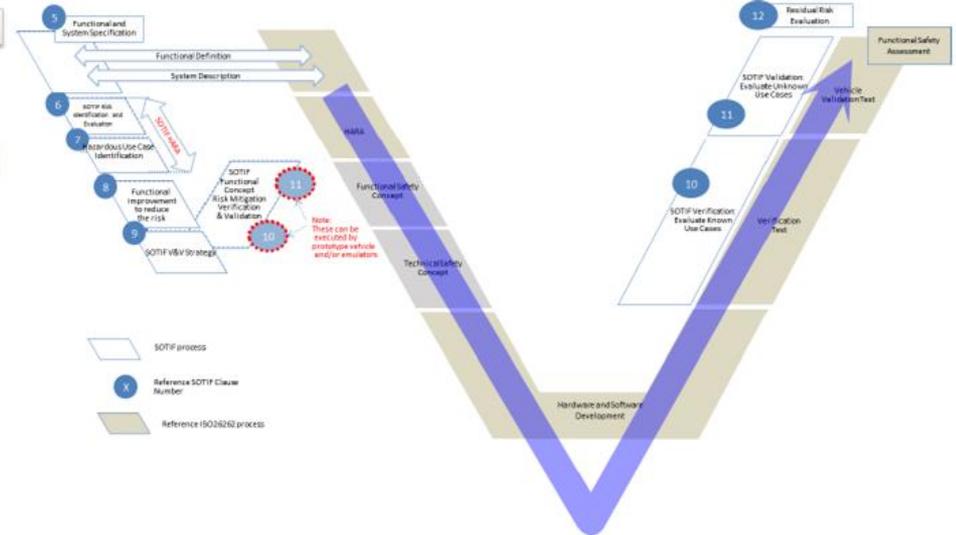
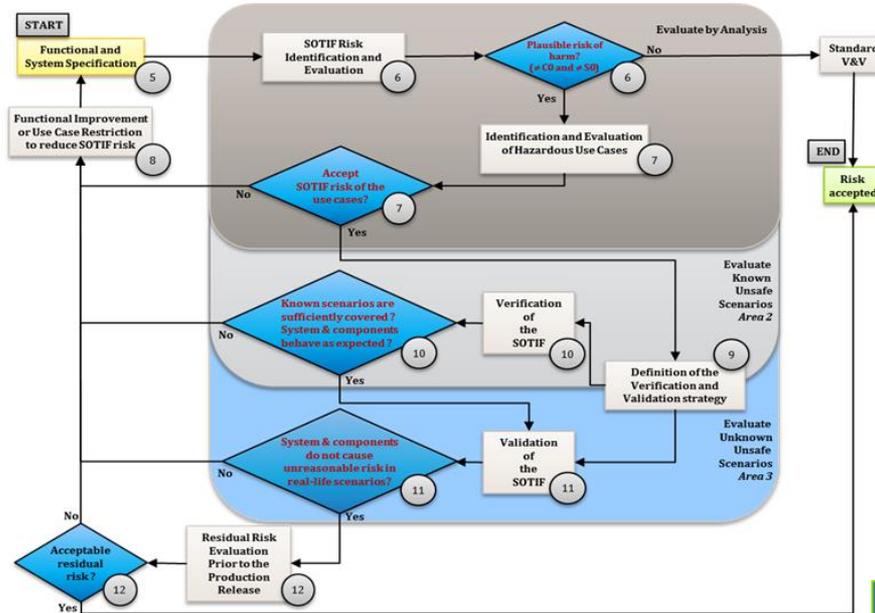
### SOTIF steps added to standard process

- **Definition of Mileage** by crashes statistical inputs
- **Simulation platform** to assess / replay specific uses cases
- **Testing optimization** by combining methods Requirements analysis Stress testing, Error guessing...



Qualification & certification	Requirements analysis		
Residual risk	Virtual model		
Combinatory explosion	Requirements analysis	Stress testing	Error guessing
Data management	Simulation		
Sensing performance	Virtual V2X simulation & testing		
Probabilistic features	Requirements analysis	Requirements analysis	
Non deterministic features	Simulation	Test track	Field test

# SYSTEM APPROACH - SOTIF PAS 21448



Automotive industry standard for Safety of the Intended functionality

# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - PILLARS

## Simulation



- Defined test cases including error injection
- Main goal: functional design

## Proving ground



- Deterministic test cases based on requirements
- Main goal: verification of functional development

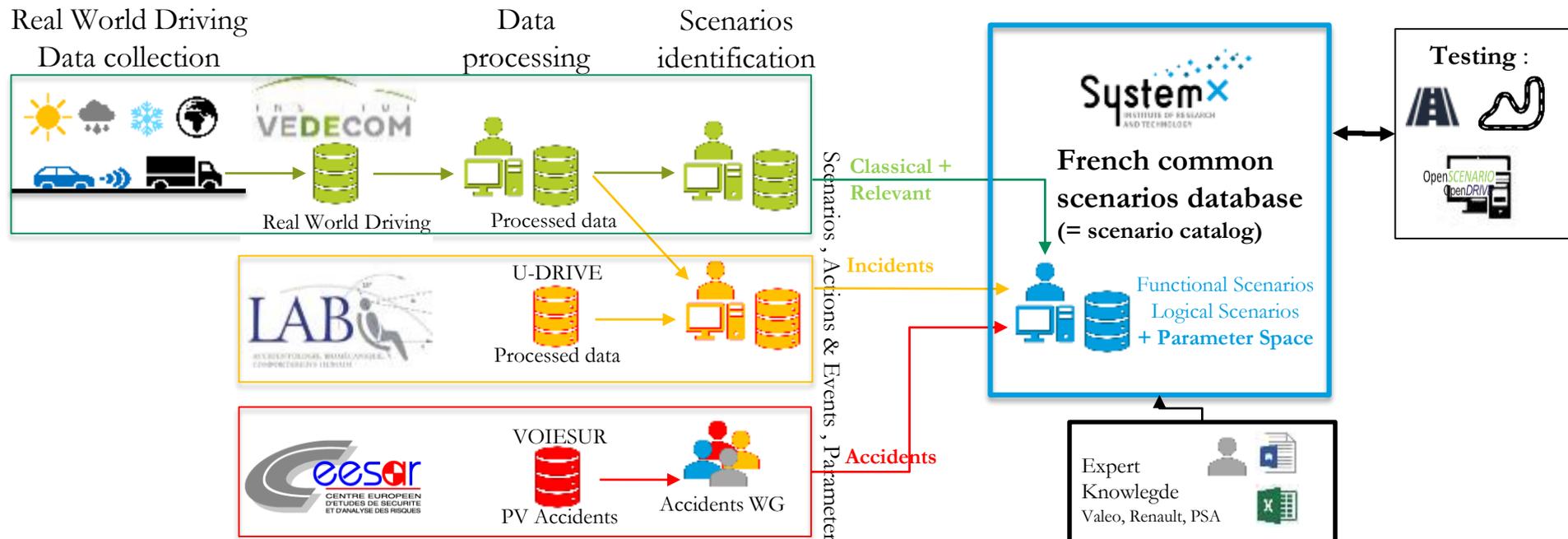
## Open road



- Data collection and annotation
- Main goal: validation of statistical values

**AD Safety validation will rely on 3 pillars**

# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - SCENARIO CATALOG



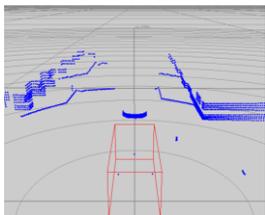
The scenario coverage is a KPI for safety

# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - SIMULATION

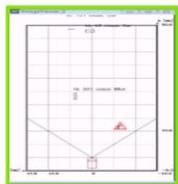
Replay



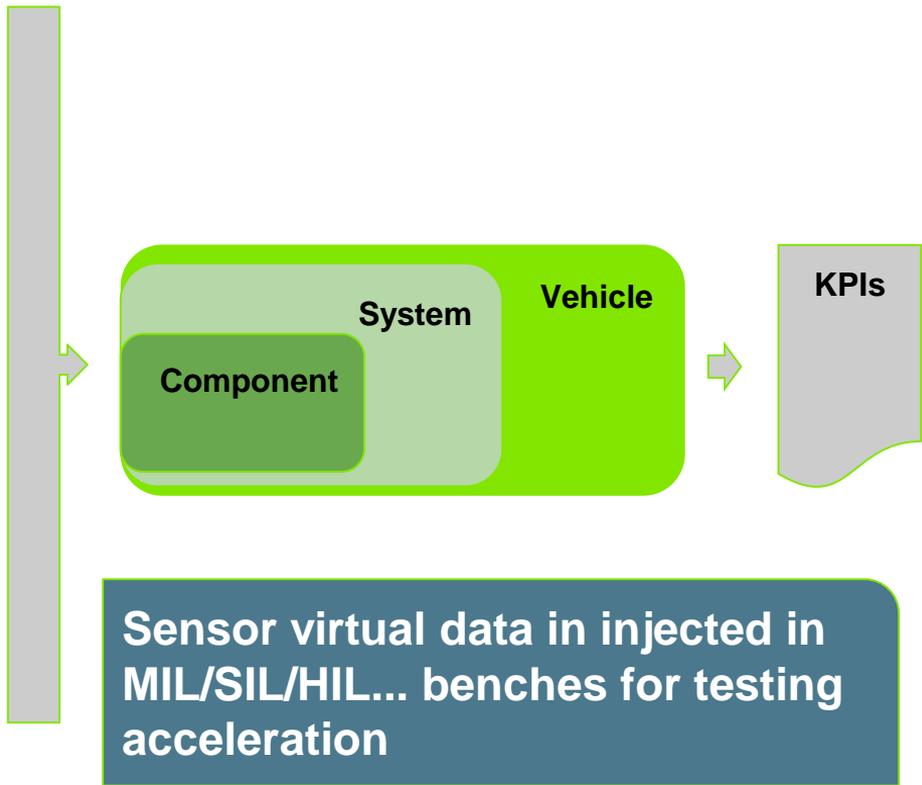
Virtual data



Augmented data



- Identify critical parameters
- Define ranges of variation
- Launch automated testing
- Analyse reports



# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - SIMULATION FIDELITY

## High fidelity



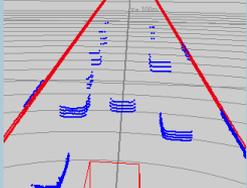
### Feature

- Real resolution of physical equation that governs phenomenon at stake (light propagation, EM wave propagation) ...

### Example

- Ray tracing for light based sensor (Camera and LiDAR)

## Specific behavior



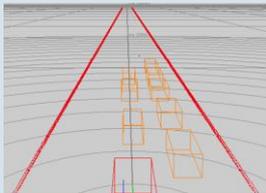
### Feature

- Ideal + take into account basic sensor specific effect
- Do not resolve physical equation that govern the phenomenon but just effect on detection

### Example

- Tx/Rx antenna diagram, RCS of targets, object merging , FP, FN ...

## Low fidelity



### Feature

- Perfect Sensor, Detection Range, no specific characteristic
- All traffic attributes are available

### Example

- Perfect bounding box Object sensor for any sensor type

Computational need

High fidelity sensor simulation requires high computation resources

# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - MILEAGE SIMULATION

- ▶ Mileage required\* for AD estimated ~ 17 Billion Kms
- ▶ Industry plan is > 90% by simulation from 2021

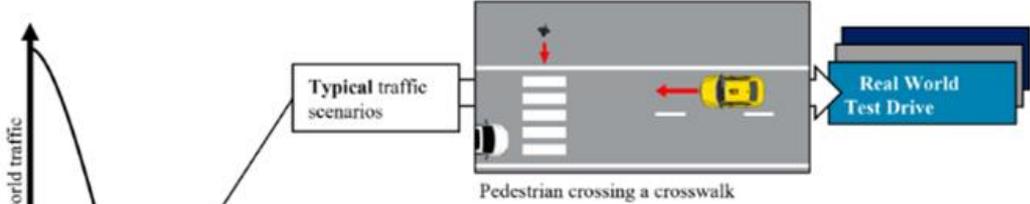
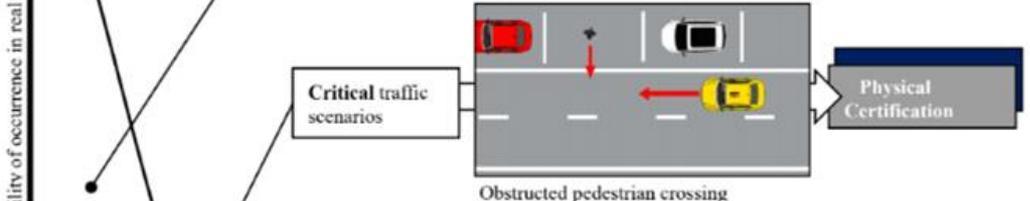
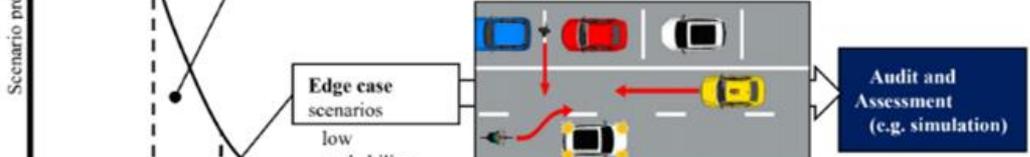
		Benchmark Failure Rate		
Statistical Question	How many miles (years <sup>a</sup> ) would autonomous vehicles have to be driven...	(A) 1.09 fatalities per 100 million miles?	(B) 77 reported injuries per 100 million miles?	(C) 190 reported crashes per 100 million miles?
	(1) without failure to demonstrate with 95% confidence that their failure rate is at most...	275 million miles (12.5 years)	3.9 million miles (2 months)	1.6 million miles (1 month)
	(2) to demonstrate with 95% confidence their failure rate to within 20% of the true rate of...	8.8 billion miles (400 years)	125 million miles (5.7 years)	51 million miles (2.3 years)
	(3) to demonstrate with 95% confidence and 80% power that their failure rate is 20% better than the human driver failure rate of...	11 billion miles (500 years)	161 million miles (7.3 years)	65 million miles (3 years)

<sup>a</sup> We assess the time it would take to complete the requisite miles with a fleet of 100 autonomous vehicles (larger than any known existing fleet) driving 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, at an average speed of 25 miles per hour.

**Need of a framework, for accumulation of virtual mileage in a reasonable time**

\*Kalra, N. and Paddock, S., "Driving to Safety: How Many Miles of Driving Would it Take to Demonstrate Autonomous Vehicle Reliability?" Rand Corporation Report posted 2016;

# AUTOMATED DRIVING VALIDATION - CERTIFICATION

Pillar	Description	Risk distribution
<b>Real- World- Test Drive</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Overall impression of system behavior on public roads</li> <li>- Assessment of system's ability to cope with real world traffic situations with a standardized checklist</li> <li>- „Driving license test“ for automated driving system</li> <li>- Guidance through given set of situations which shall be passed</li> </ul>	 <p>The diagram shows a yellow car on a road with a pedestrian crossing a crosswalk. A box labeled 'Typical traffic scenarios' points to this scene, which is linked to a blue box labeled 'Real World Test Drive'.</p>
<b>Physical Certification Tests</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Matching of audit/assessment results with real world behavior</li> <li>- Assessment of system behavior in fixed set of challenging cases, which either aren't testable on public roads or cannot be guaranteed to occur during the real world test drive.</li> <li>- Reproducibility of situations is given</li> </ul>	 <p>The diagram shows a yellow car on a road with a pedestrian crossing a crosswalk, but the pedestrian is partially obscured by a red car. A box labeled 'Critical traffic scenarios' points to this scene, which is linked to a grey box labeled 'Physical Certification'.</p>
<b>Audit and Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Audit of development process (methods, standards)</li> <li>- Assessment of safety concept (functional safety, safety of use) and measures taken</li> <li>- Check of integration of general safety requirements and traffic rules</li> <li>- Use of simulation results (high mileage approval, capability to cope with critical situations, which aren't testable on proving grounds or in public)</li> <li>- Assessment of development data/field testing, OEM-self-declarations</li> </ul>	 <p>The diagram shows a yellow car on a road with a pedestrian crossing a crosswalk, with a red car and a blue car nearby. A box labeled 'Edge case scenarios' points to this scene, which is linked to a dark blue box labeled 'Audit and Assessment (e.g. simulation)'.</p>

**Simulation, especially for high mileage is planned to be used as a safety argument for AD certification**



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