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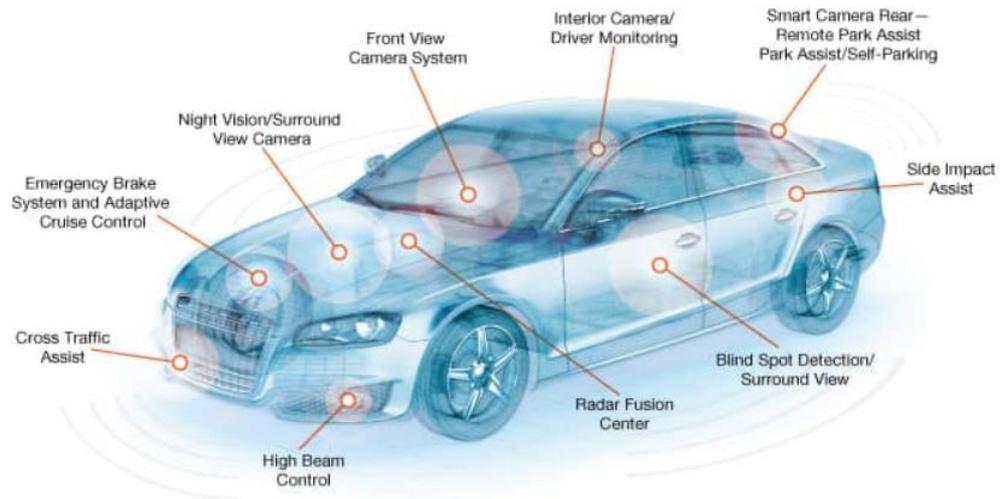
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Classical Autonomous ADAS Distributed Systems

Distributed architecture and thus → Distributed Intelligence !

Current - latest ADAS features are software driven and use data from many sources

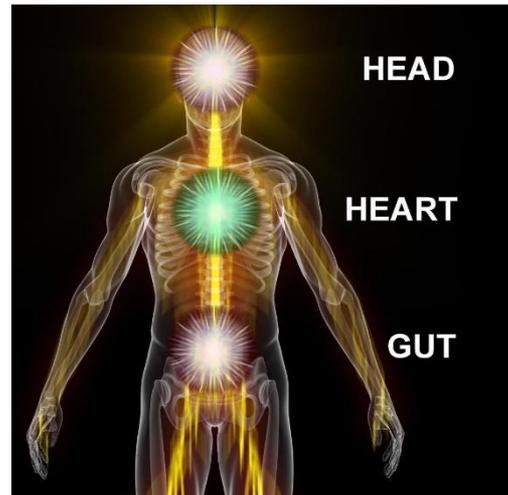
- ✓ Systems must work & communicate together
- ✓ Data must be shared



Classical Autonomous driving solutions

Full Distributed Approach issues & Level 5 autonomy ?

- ✓ Unacceptable System **Latency** in the transfer of safety critical information
- ✓ Loss of potentially useful data at the edge nodes
- ✓ Rapid increase in **Cost** and **Power** consumption as driver assist systems become more complicated (SW & HW)



How to scale up from this architecture to reach Level 5 autonomy ?

ADAS Systems Requirements using eFPGA

- **Real time processing**
- **Deterministic** - Situation Awareness & Decision-making
- Long period of life in the field and need to evolve overtime because of **evolving standards and/or algorithms**
 - **Reconfigurability**
- **Large BW & Very Low Latency**
- Sensors Fusion, Anticipation & Prediction for avoiding upcoming accidents - **Artificial Intelligence algorithms**
 - ✓ **Data parallel processing**
- Hardware & Software integration - Satisfying Embedded constraints - Small PCB
 - ✓ **Low system size as possible**
 - ✓ **Low cost**
 - ✓ **Low power**



ADAS Centralized Processing Approach

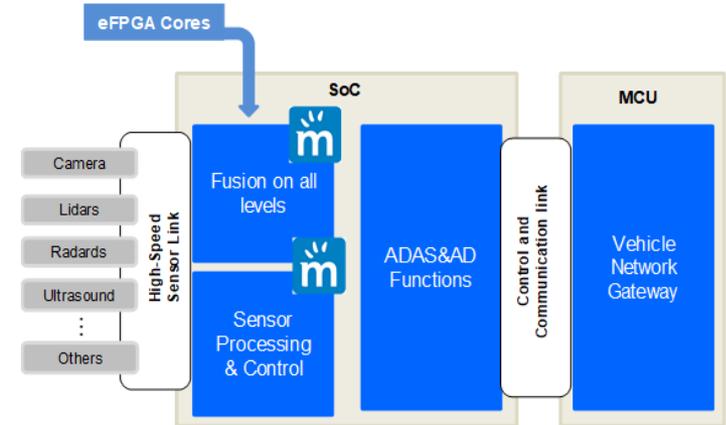
Think Centralized Processing approach to face Level 5 Autonomy Challenges !

Use eFPGA for performing Raw Sensor Data fusion inside a central ADAS processing unit:

- Raw Data Fusion Centralization
- Expand ADAS processor role to include fusion of raw data
- Avoid executing Image-processing separately from the CPU
- Remove as maximum as we can Chip-to-Chip useless high speed bus interfaces adding penalty latency

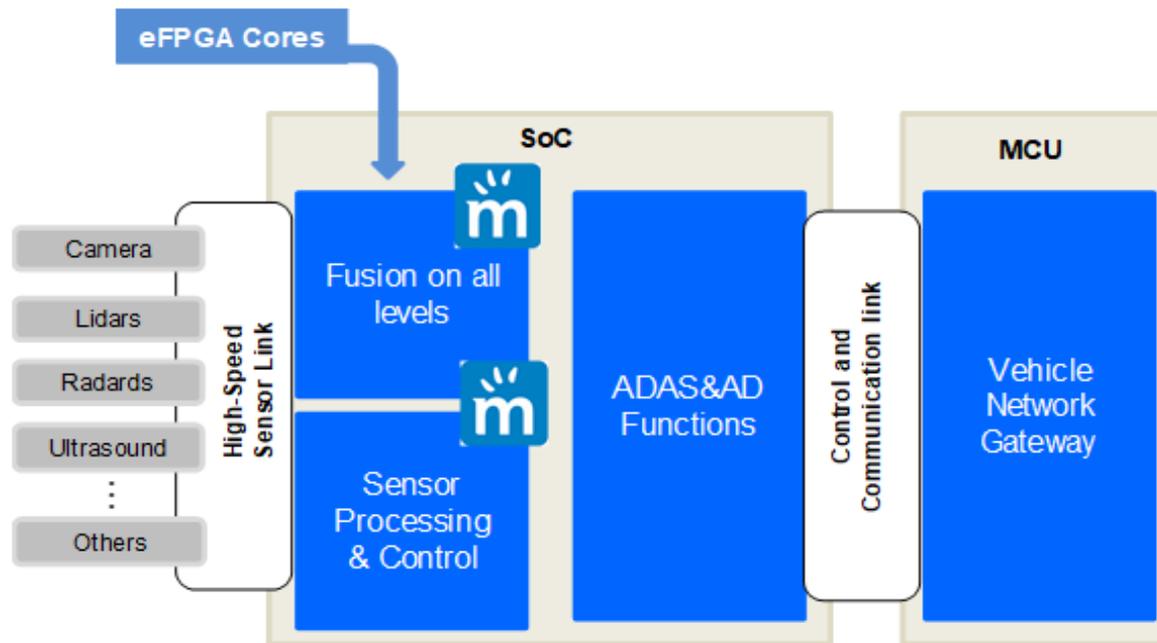
Architecture Solution ?

eFPGA IP combination with CPU in a unified ADAS architecture



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In fact, in addition of the traditional sensor fusion, the raw data allow cars to view the external environment more clearly and to get “redundancy” checking!

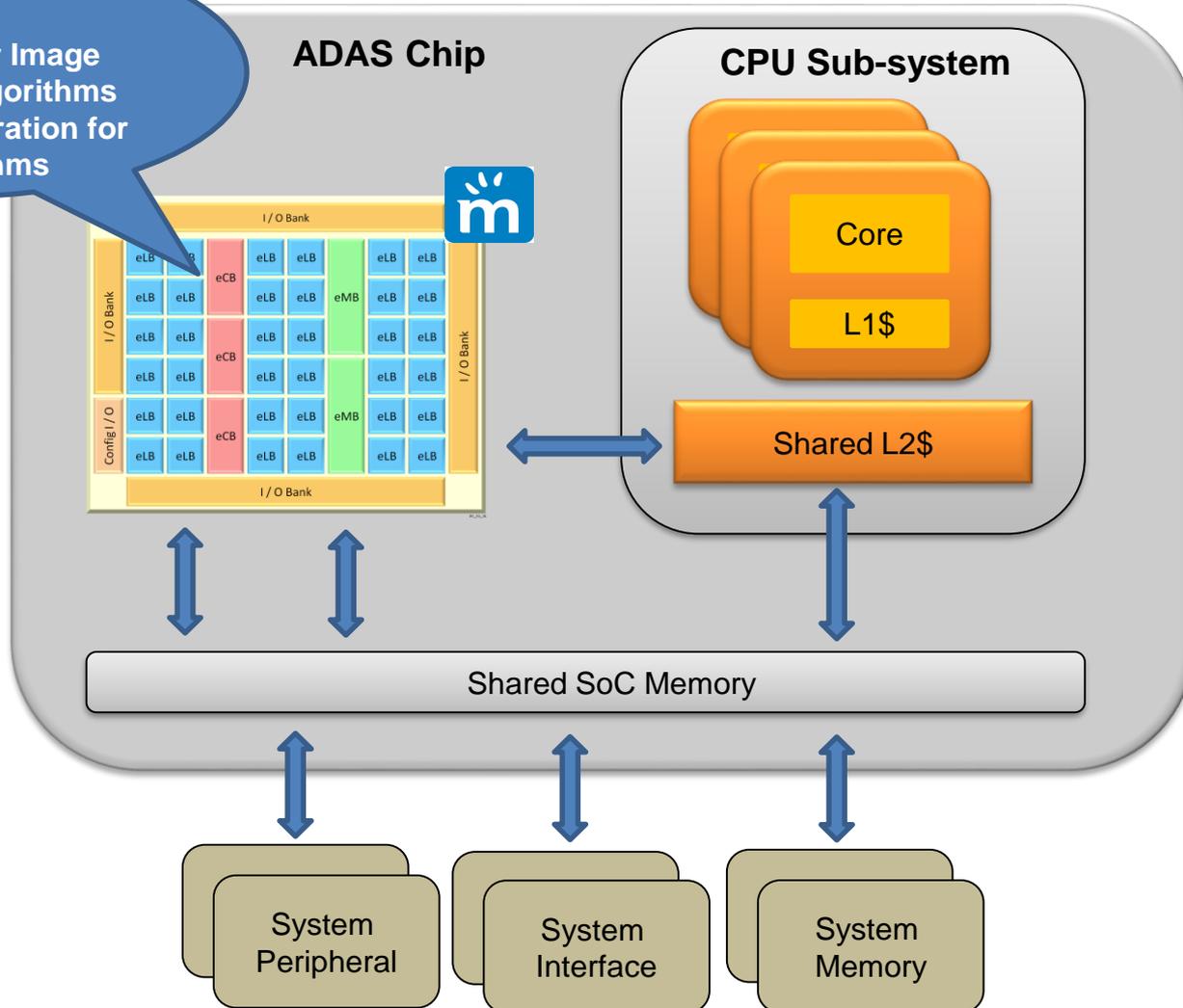


Menta is the only eFPGA vendor offering a standard scan chain interface with a TC in excess of 99.8%

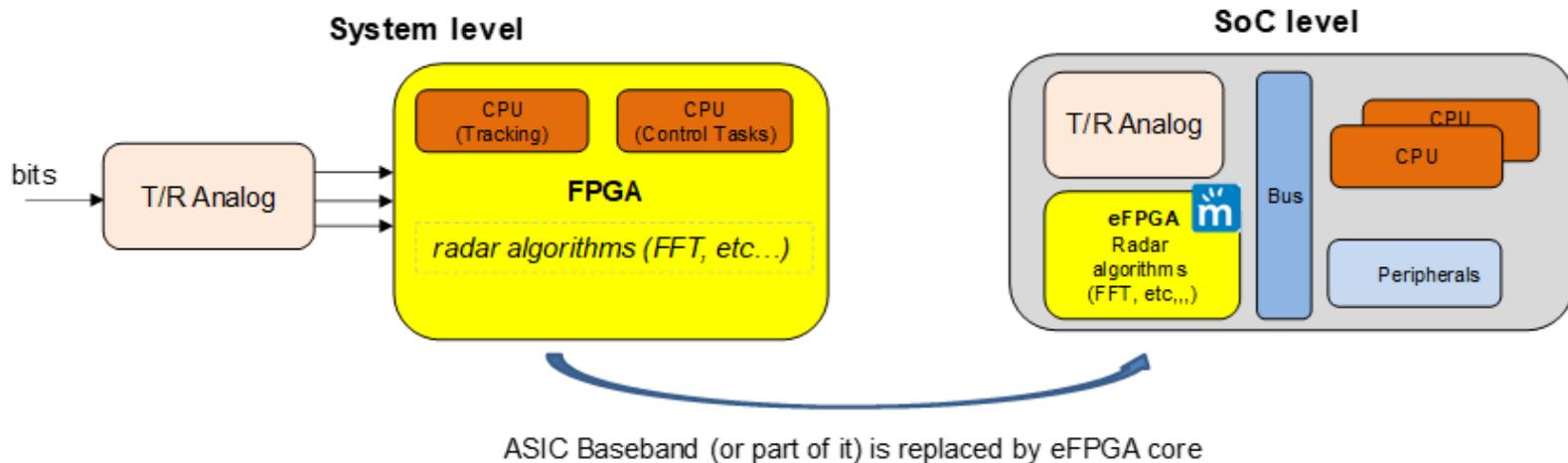
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Customizable IP

Especially for Image Processing algorithms and data preparation for AI algorithms

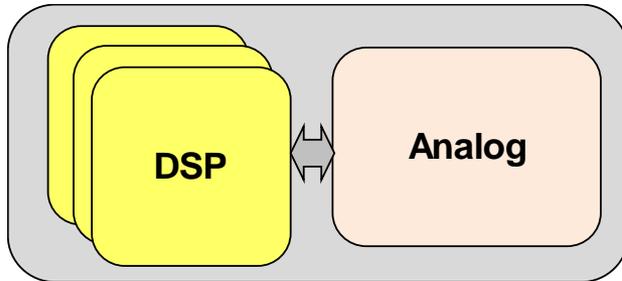


eFPGA in LIDAR Systems:

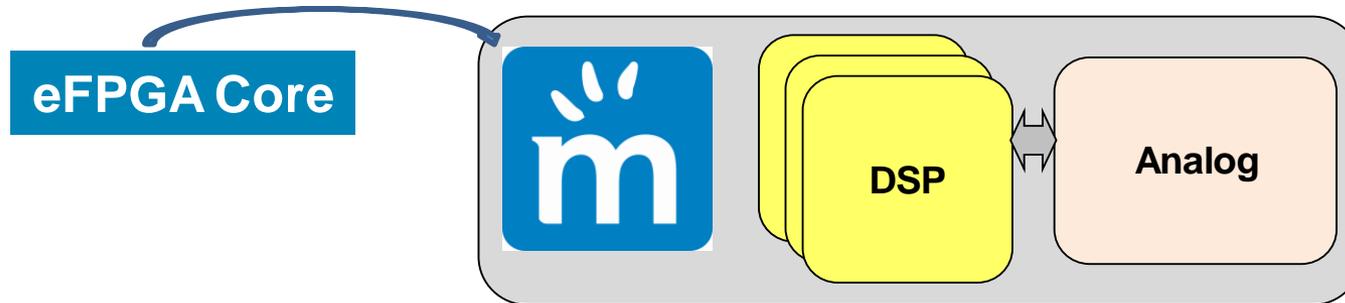


It improves also performance in term of Image Processing thanks to eFPGA dedicated blocks like complex DSP for FFT computing, complex multipliers and FIR Filters.

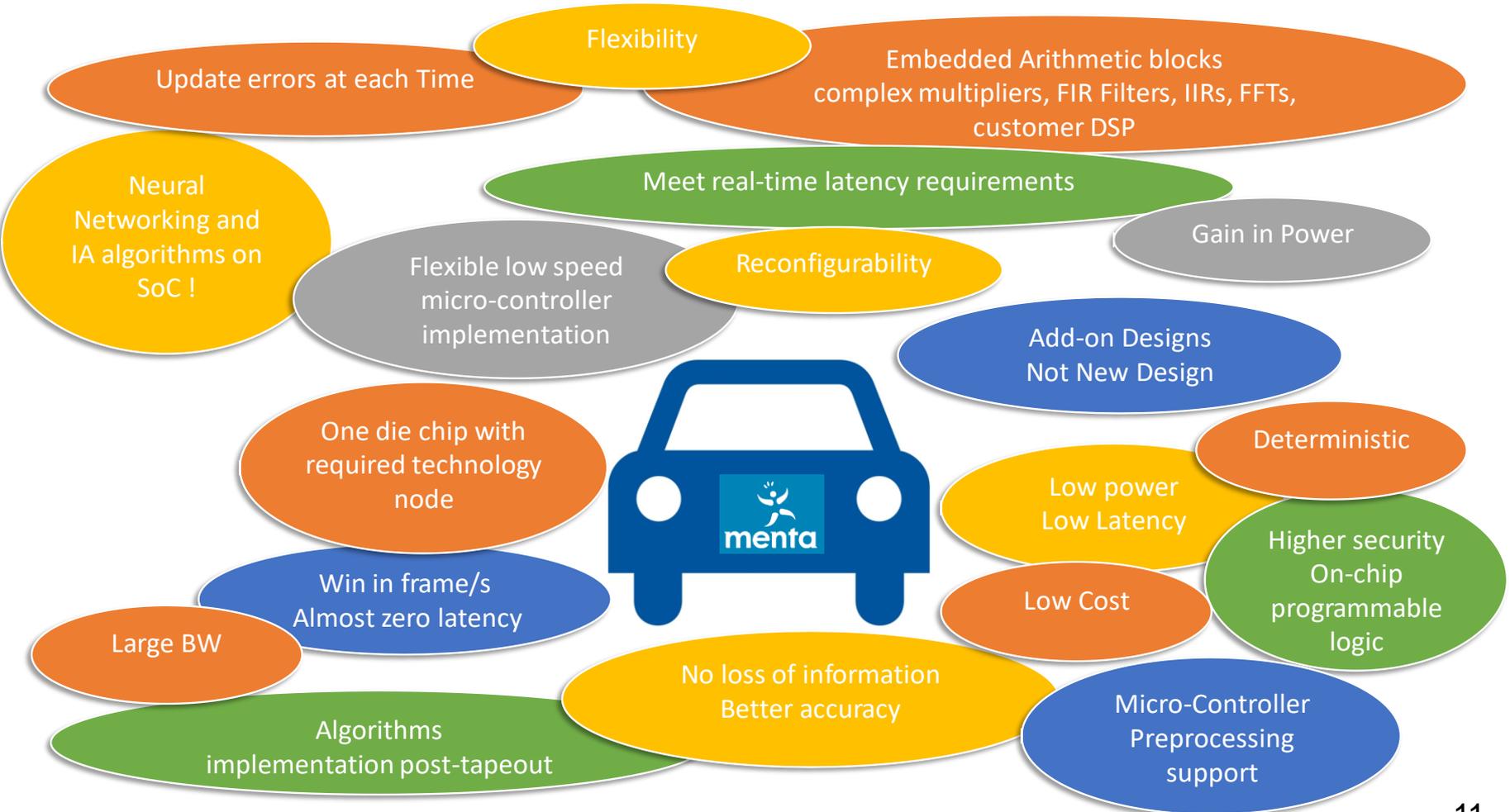
Battery Monitoring Systems - Legacy Hardware Architecture:



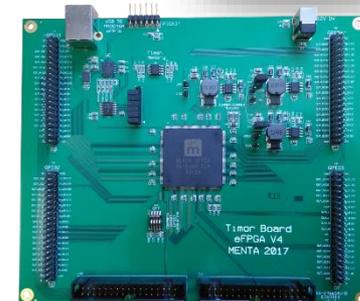
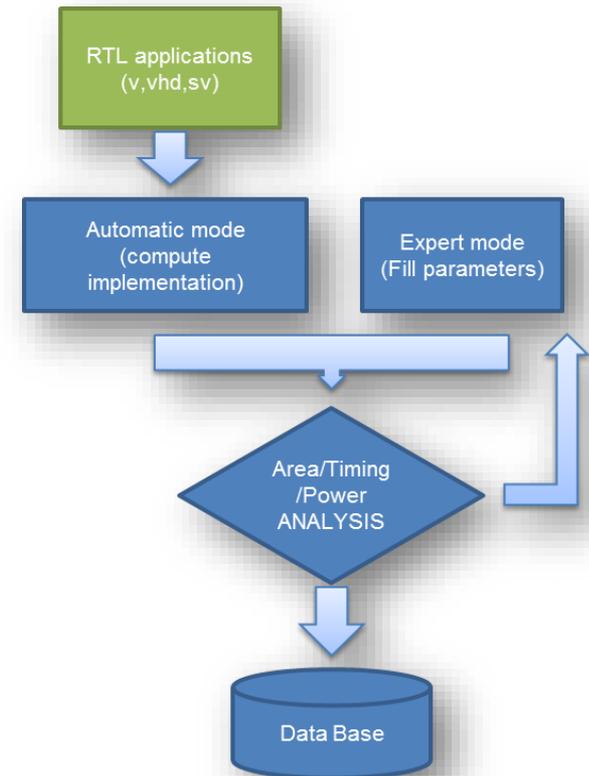
Battery Monitoring Systems - Proposal Hardware Architecture using Menta eFPGA:



Menta eFPGA advantages in Automotive Systems



- All parameters can be defined based on customers need. Custom performances, power and area trade-off. Unique specification software
- Easy integration. Fully verifiable within customer flow and up to post place & route gate level simulation
- Catalogue of arithmetic blocks available from simple MAC to complex programmable DSPs for FIR filters, FFT, complex multipliers, etc.
- Multiple tapeouts in various technology nodes: STM 130, STM 65, TSMC 28HPC+, GLOBALFOUNDRIES 14LPP
 - Including MRAM based eFPGA
- TSMC OIP Symposium
- At GLOBALFOUNDRIES 32SOI & 14LPP catalogue
- Member of 22FDX Ecosystem





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