

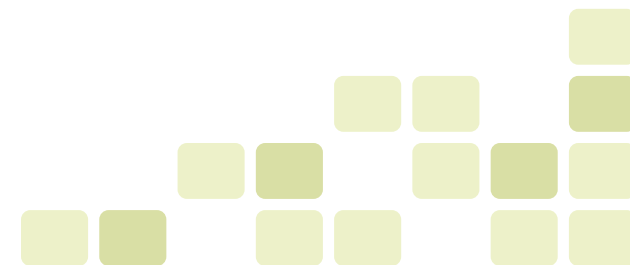


# Time Partition Testing

Testing from Model-in-the-Loop to  
Hardware-in-the-Loop using one  
tool

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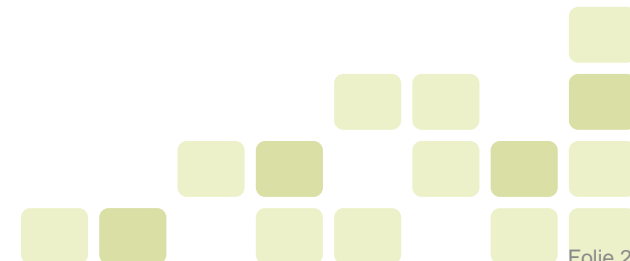
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# Why yet another testing tool? – Why using TPT?

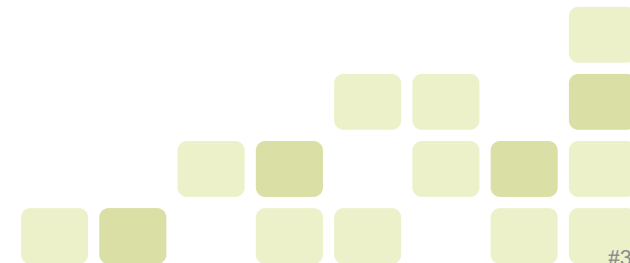
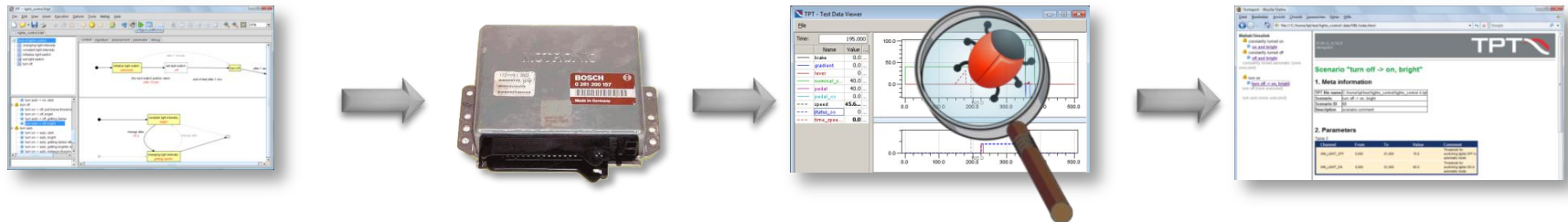
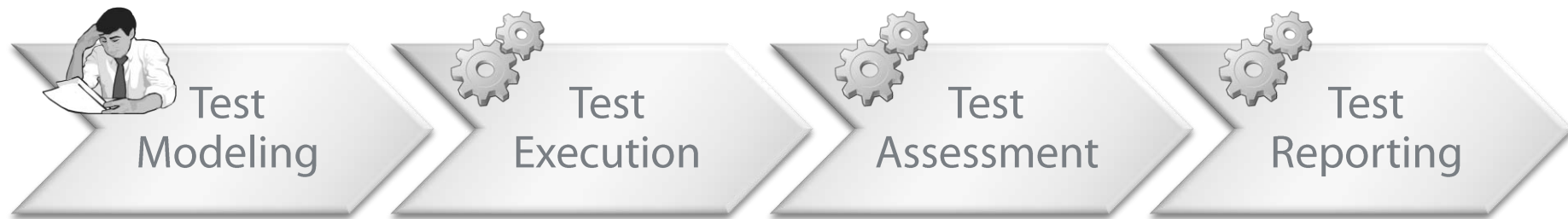
● **Effective and efficient** testing can be achieved by:

- Test automation
- Test frontloading
- Test reuse
- Tailored test models
- Lean, consistent test processes



# TPT Test Automation

- TPT automates all steps from execution to reporting

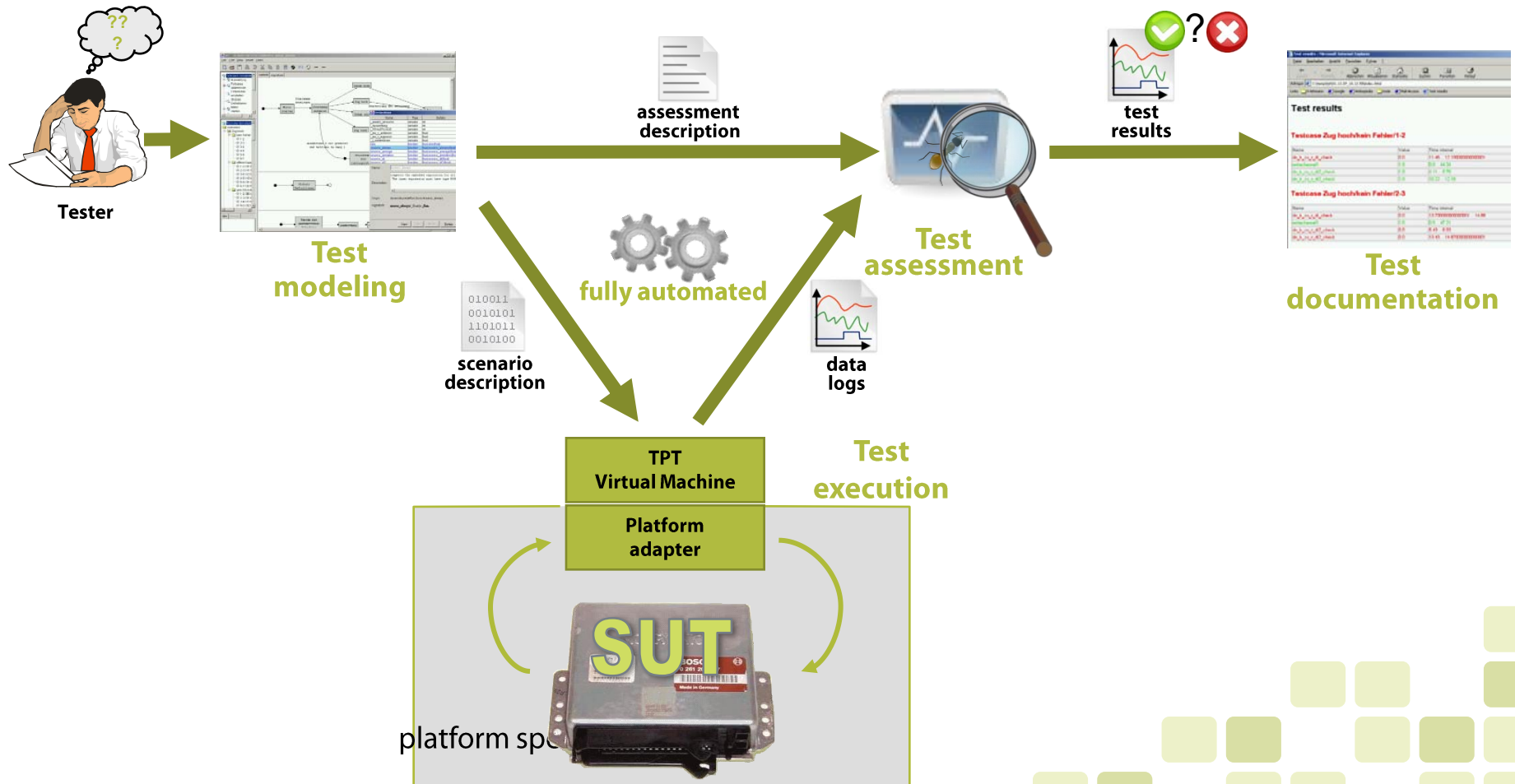


# Testing with TPT

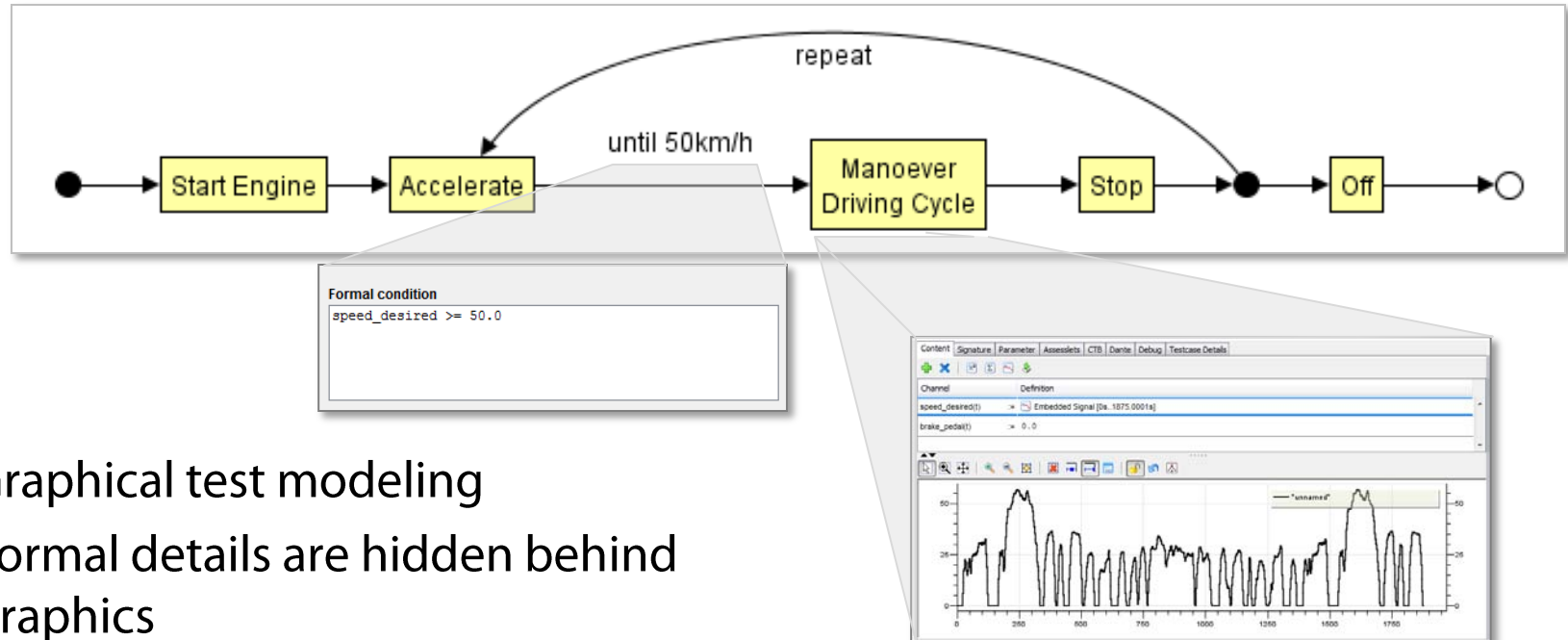
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## 2 Test execution

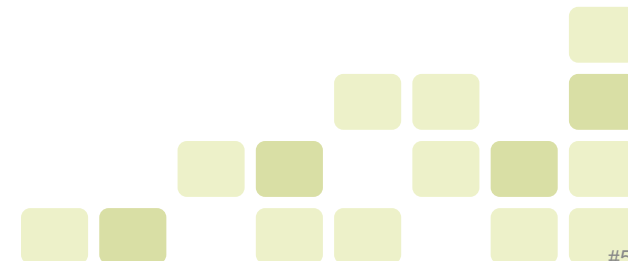
## 3 Assessment + Reporting



# Tailored test models

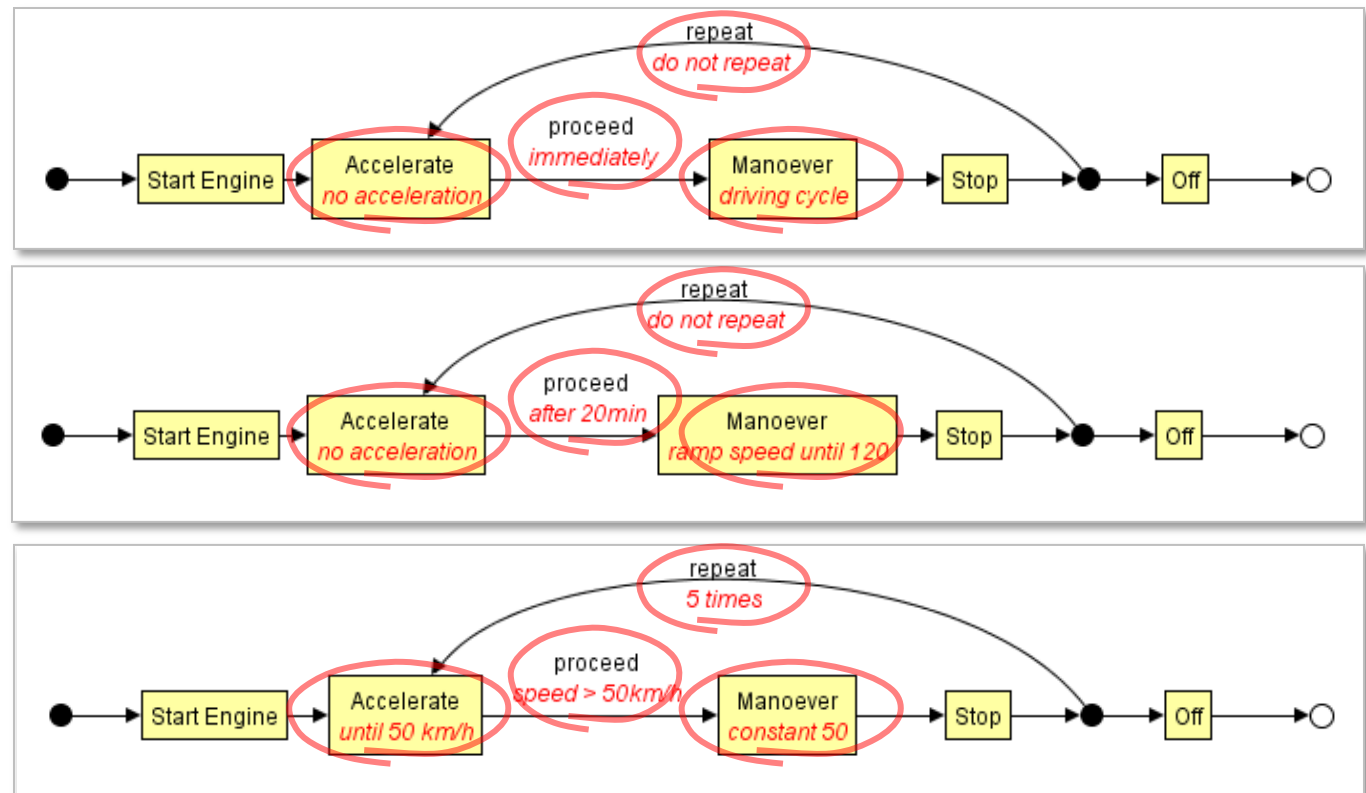


- Graphical test modeling
- Formal details are hidden behind graphics
- Real-time enabled
- Closed loop (reactive) testing
- Clear structured and easy to learn
- Compact (low complexity)



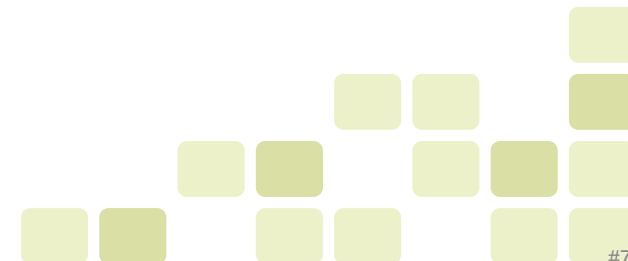
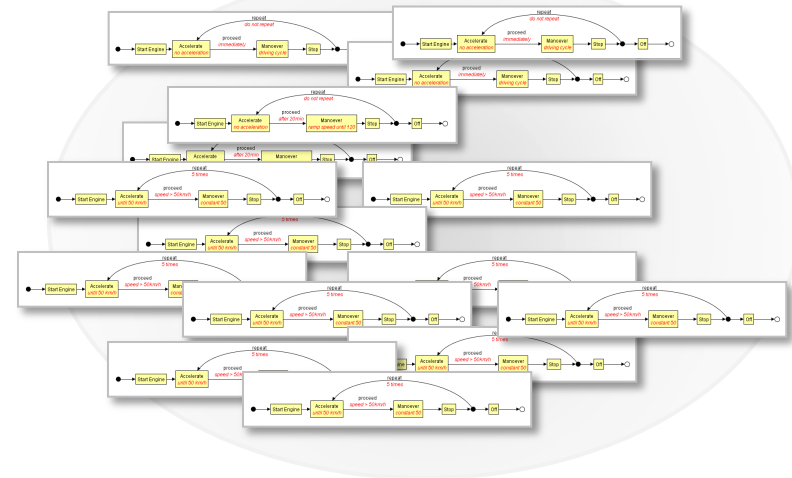
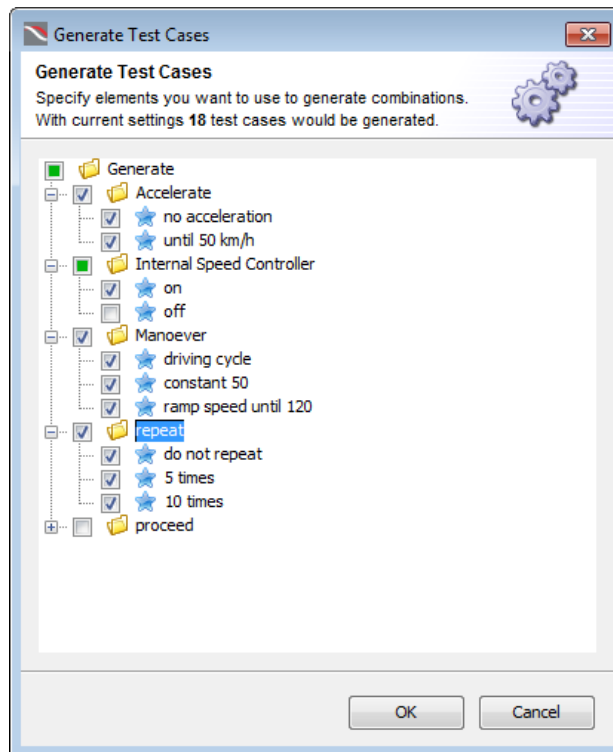
# Variant modeling in TPT

- Generate individual tests by combination of variants



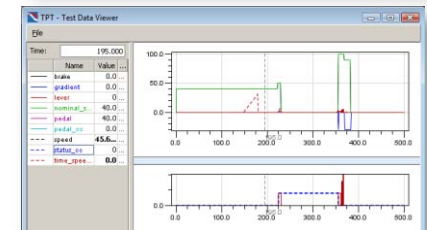
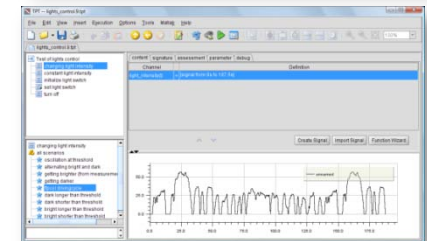
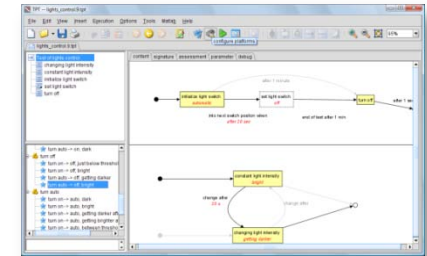
# Test case generation in TPT

## ● Test cases can be generated automatically



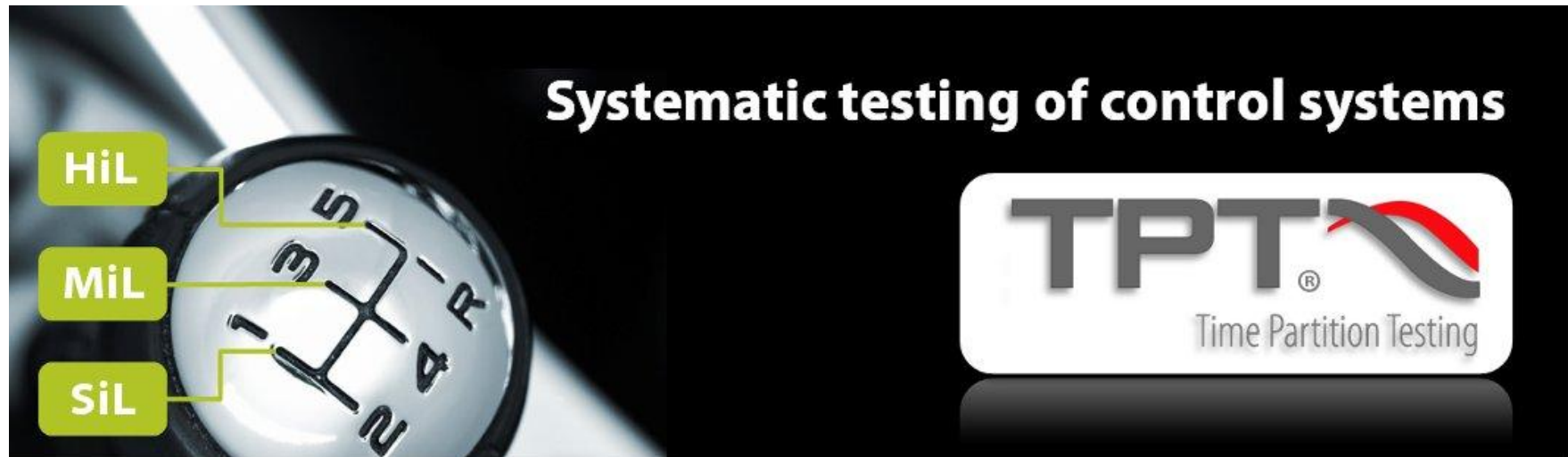


TPT is a test tool for testing control and feedback control systems

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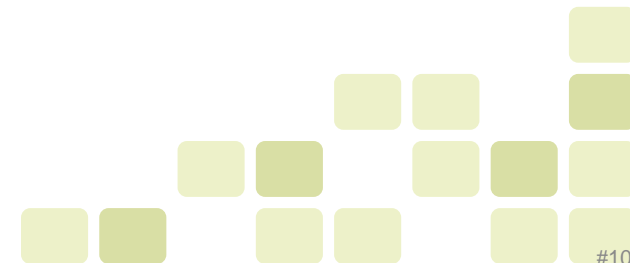
# Test challenges



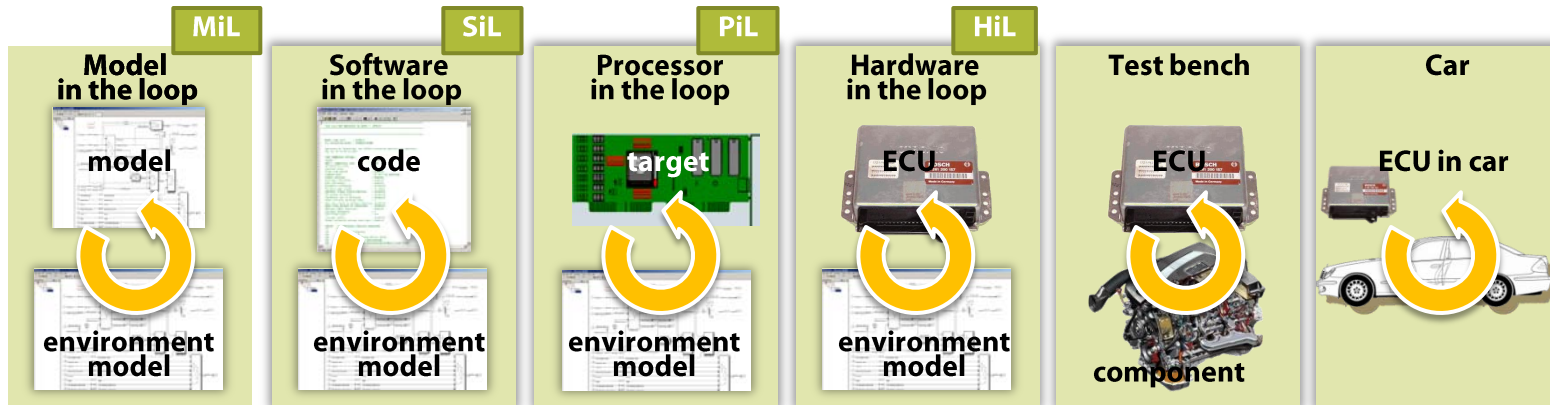
- Clear test case description (Modeling)
- Continuity and consistency at all test platforms
- Automated Execution, Assessment, Reporting
- Real-time behavior
- Coverage and tracing of Requirements (ISO 26262)



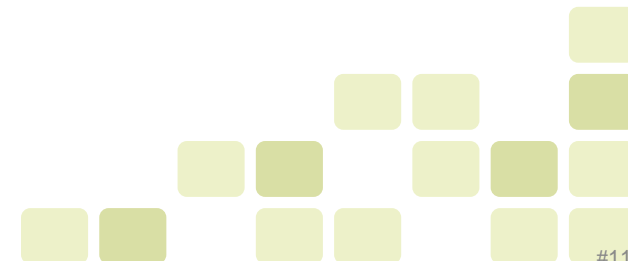
# TPT test execution



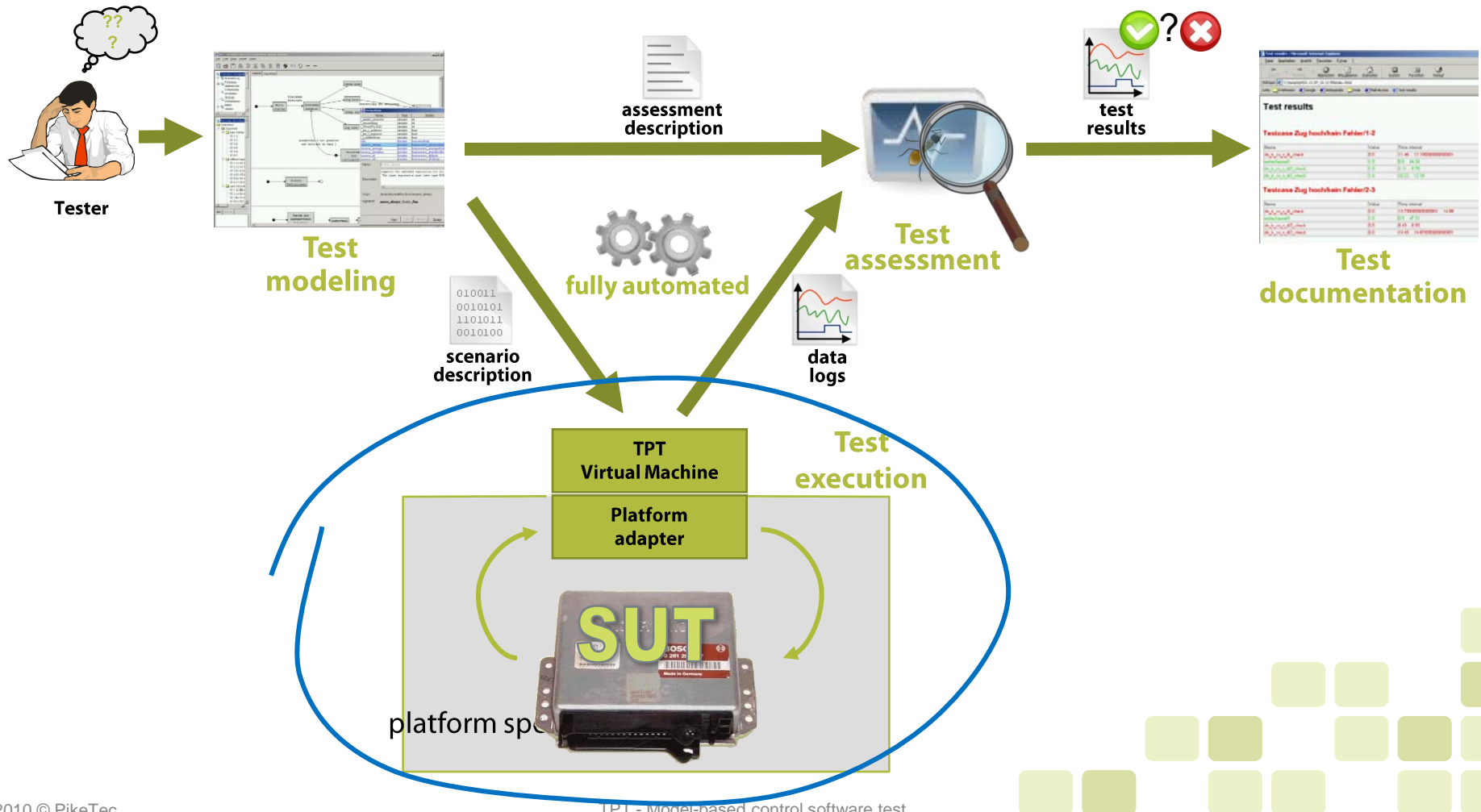
# Reactive real time test execution everywhere



- Using the same test cases on different platforms
  - MATLAB/Simulink
  - C-Code
  - HiL
  - Vehicle e.g. via CAN
- Real-time enabled
- Reactive tests



# TPT Test Process



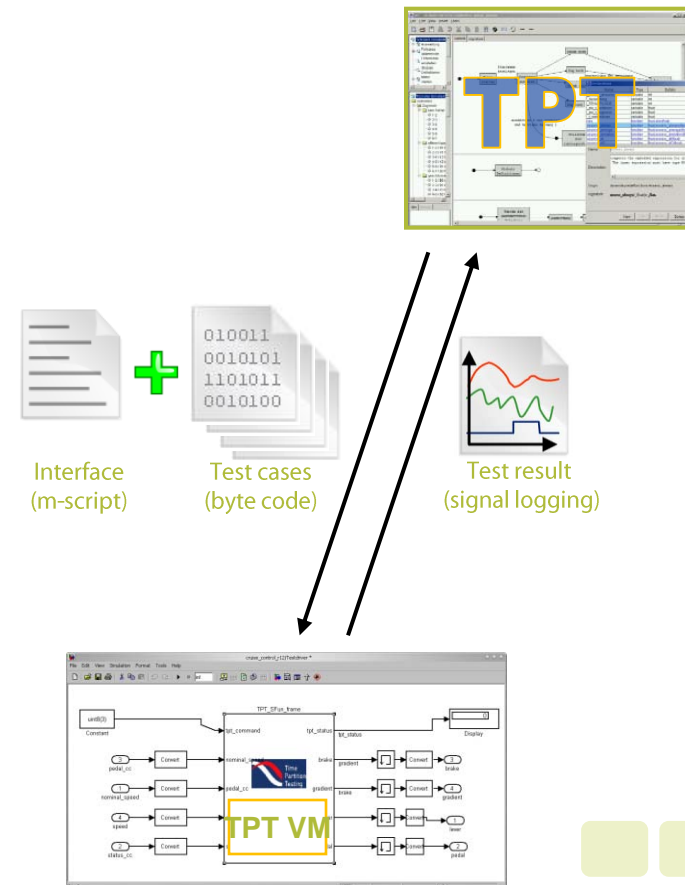
# Test execution

- Based on TPT-VM integrated in a test platform
- TPT-VM is real-time enabled
- Currently supported test platforms include:
  - MIL
    - MATLAB/Simulink/Stateflow/Targetlink
  - SiL
    - C-Code
    - Tessy
    - Customer specific SiL-Environments
  - HiL
    - ProveTECH:TA (Engineering Solution)
    - MESSINA
    - CamelView
    - MLBA4
    - Customer specific HiL-Environments
- Integration in new platforms requires between 5 days to 3 month of work (depending on integration requirements and openness of the platform to integrate)

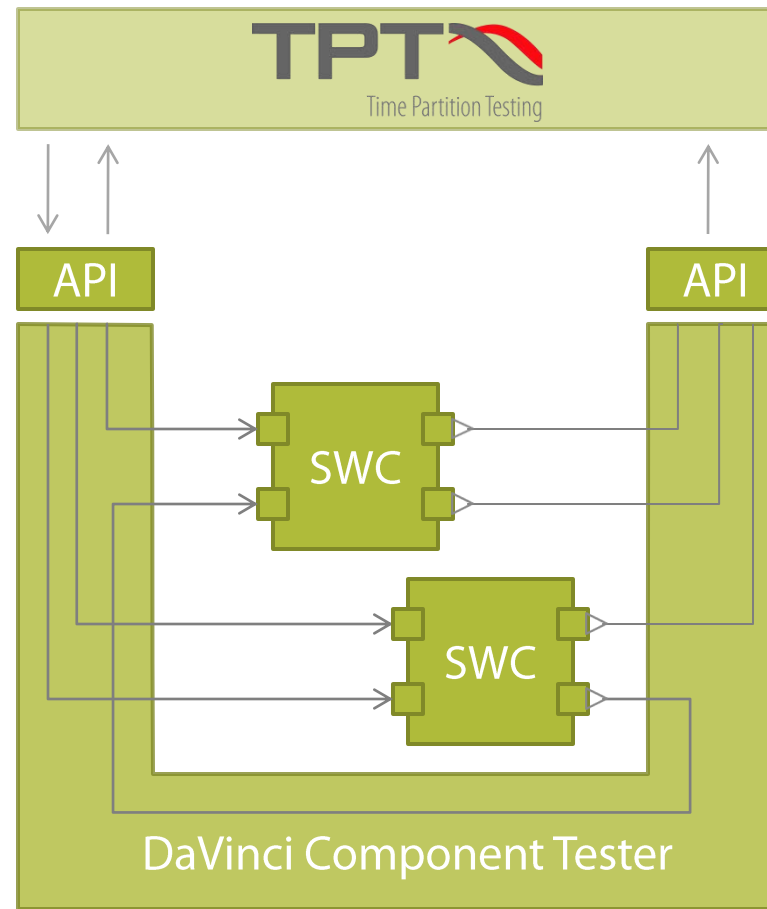


# Example: Matlab/Simulink environment

- Automated test execution
- TPT VM is embedded into a Simulink S-function
- Communication with ECU code and environment (car model) is managed by Simulink
- Interface is specified by a generated m-script
- Test cases are hand over by means of workspace variables
- RTW and Targetlink enabled

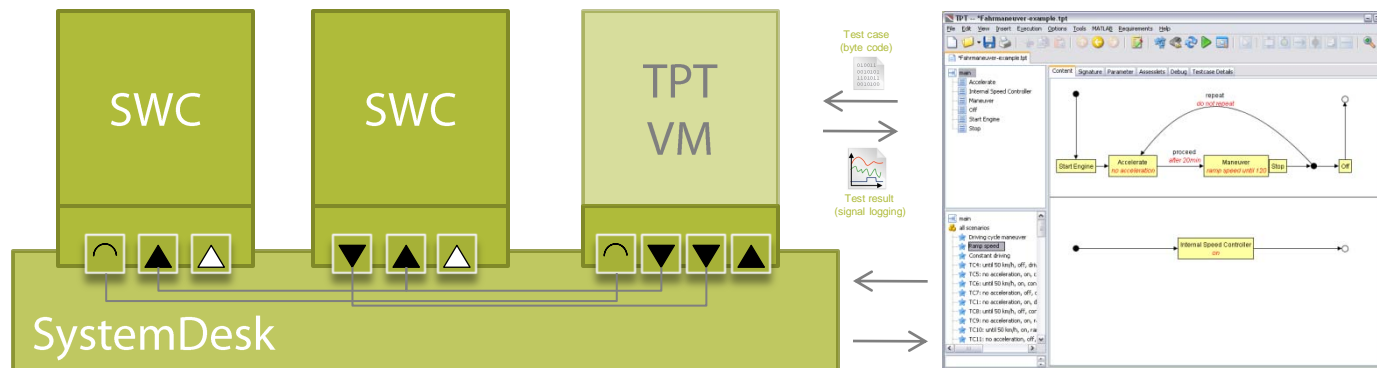


# DaVinci AUTOSAR testing



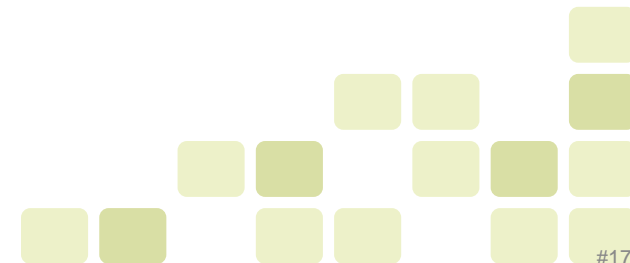
# SystemDesk AUTOSAR testing

- TPT VM is embedded as AUTOSAR SW-C at the VFB

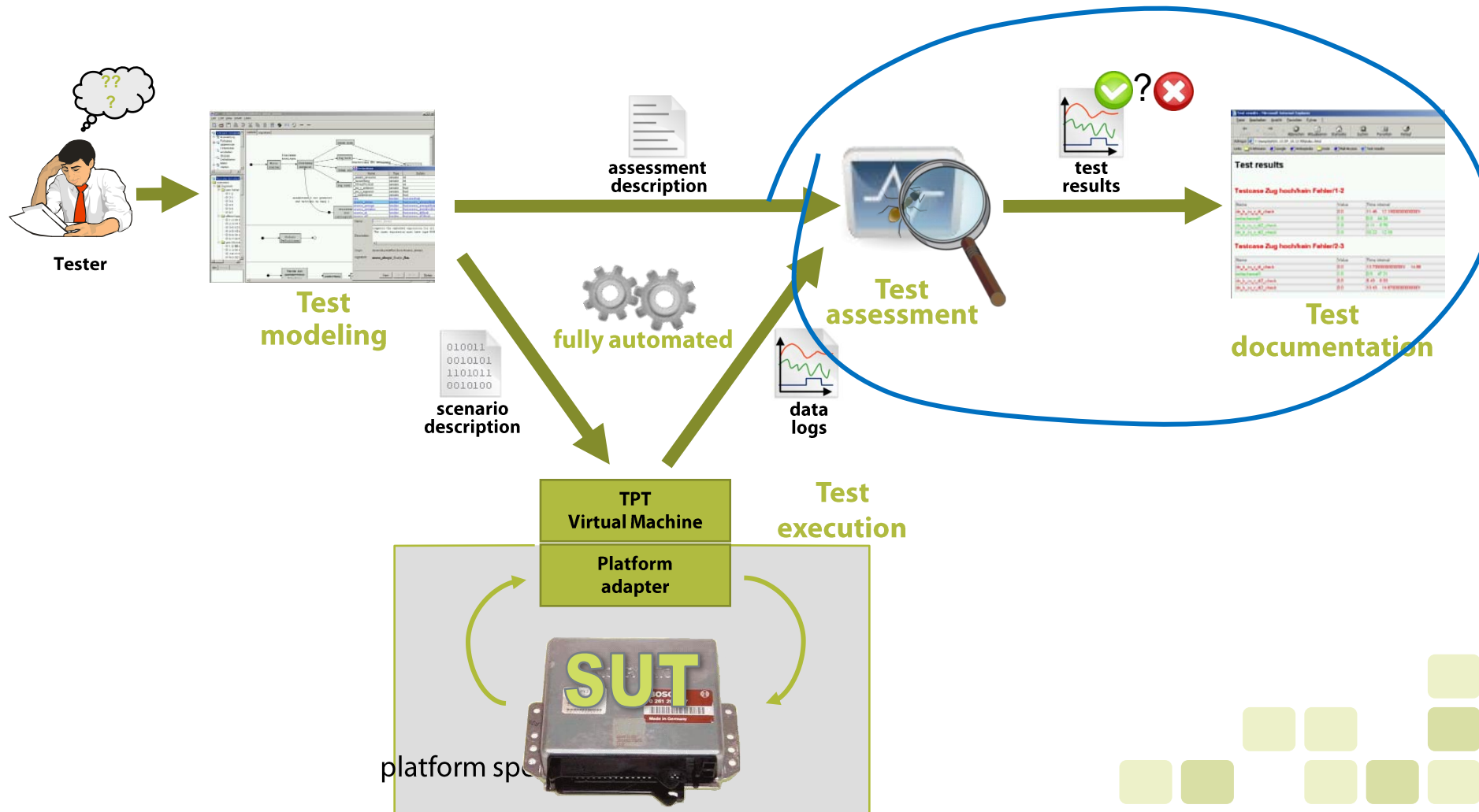




# TPT Test-evaluation



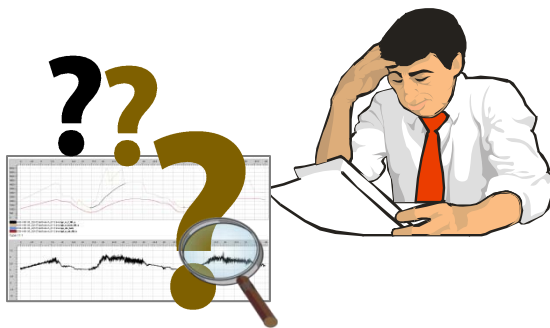
# TPT Test Process



# Evaluation of test results

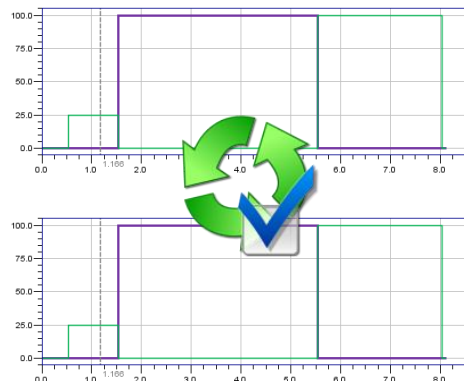
## Manual evaluation

- Simple evaluation method
- Good for non-recurring tests
- Always an expert must do the evaluation



## Regression test

- Initial effort similar to manual evaluation
- Sensitive to parameter changes, type series and functional changes

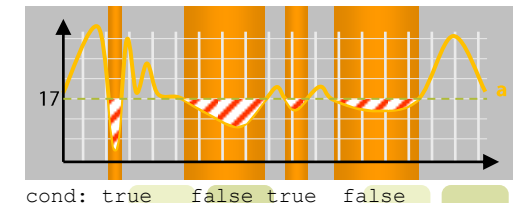


TPT - Model-based control software test

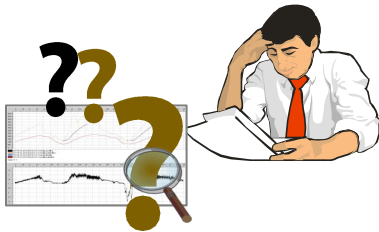
## TPT assessments

- Initial effort because of programming the assessments
- Simple maintenance with less effort
- Cost reduction for recurring tests

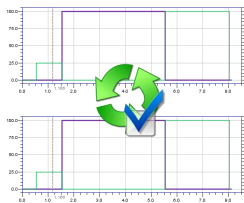
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# Possible options to evaluate test results



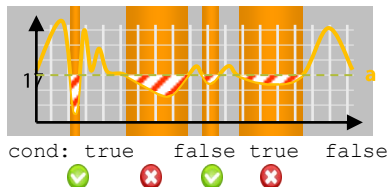
- Manual evaluation



- Regression tests (back-to-Back)

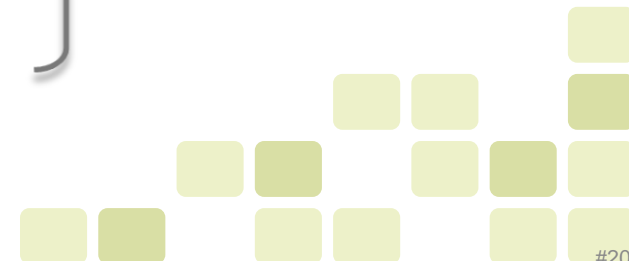


- Online evaluation



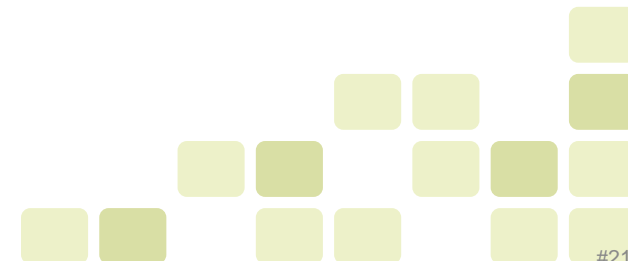
- Offline evaluation

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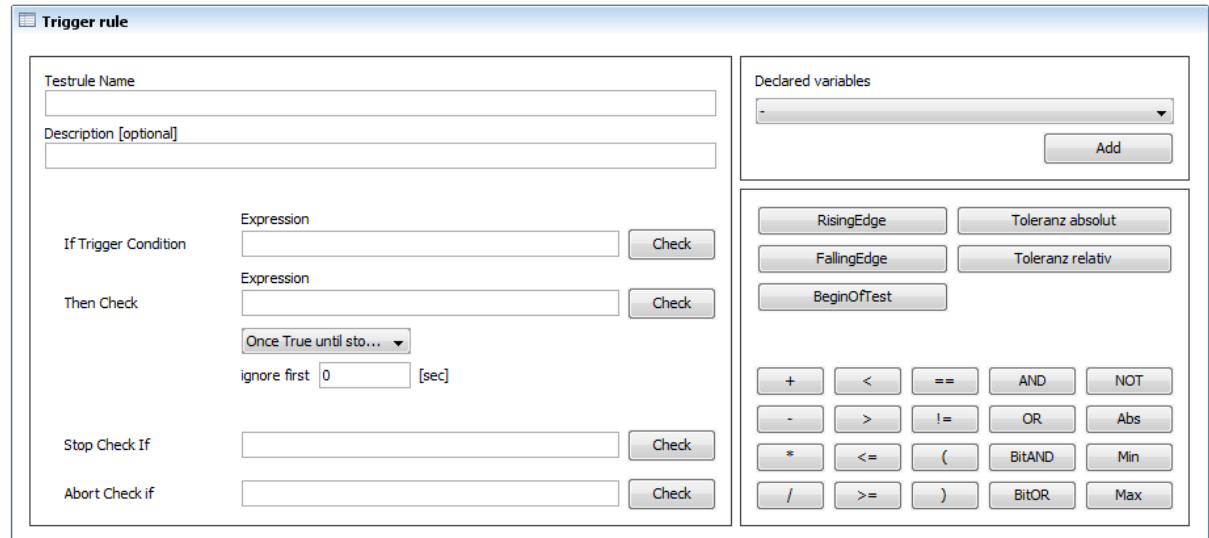
# Test assessment

- Manual analysis
  - Using the test data viewer
- Back-to-Back Analysis
  - One feature of offline assessments in TPT
- Online assessments (integrated in test models)
  - Runtime decisions
  - Abort on error
- Offline assessments
  - Minimize online efforts
  - Reference comparison
  - Access to measurements (MCD3)
  - Huge library, access to file system, external tools etc.
  - Building blocks are called **Assesslets**



# Graphical test result evaluation methods - Assesslets

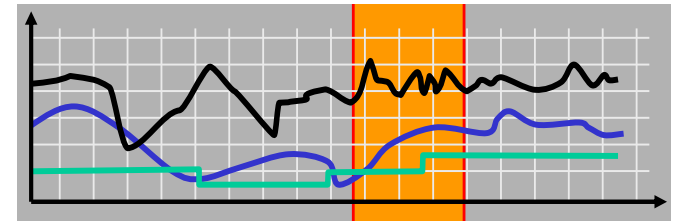
- GUI for commonly used test assessment methods
- MIN/MAX comparison
- Signal comparison
- Sequence check
- Trigger rules
- Script  
(Extended Python)



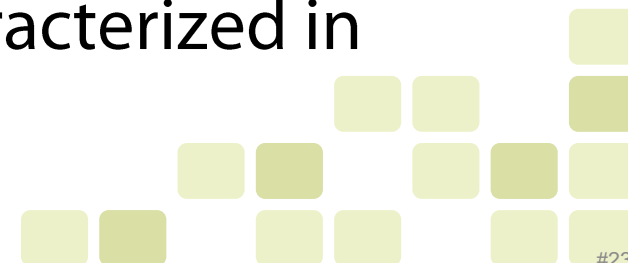
The screenshot shows a 'Trigger rule' configuration window. It includes fields for 'Testrule Name' and 'Description [optional]'. Below these are sections for 'If Trigger Condition' and 'Then Check', each with an 'Expression' field and a 'Check' button. A dropdown menu is set to 'Once True until sto...' with an 'ignore first' field set to '0' [sec]. At the bottom, there are 'Stop Check If' and 'Abort Check if' fields, each with a 'Check' button. On the right side, there is a 'Declared variables' section with a dropdown and an 'Add' button. Below this is a panel with buttons for 'RisingEdge', 'FallingEdge', 'BeginOfTest', 'Toleranz absolut', 'Toleranz relativ', and a numeric keypad with operators like '+', '-', '\*', '/', '<', '>', '<=', '>=', '==', '!=', 'AND', 'OR', 'NOT', 'Abs', 'Min', 'Max', 'BitAND', and 'BitOR'.

# Time intervals

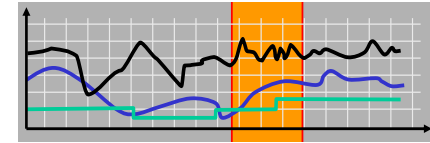
- In most practical cases properties to analyze focus on particular, characteristic time intervals (subsets of the overall test run).
- Special case: the test run itself



- How can such time intervals be characterized in assessments?



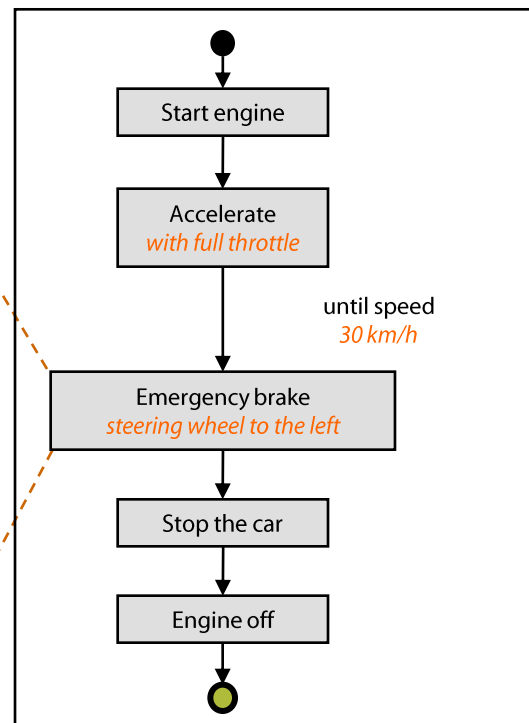
# Implicit time intervals



- Each **state** can be used as a time interval.
- Properties that are assigned to a state A are checked in every time interval where the **state A was active**.

## *Steering wheel to the left*

- Duration of the emergency brake may not exceed 10sec.
- Deceleration must be less than 1.5 m/s<sup>2</sup>.
- Revs per minute must be less than 6000 min<sup>-1</sup>.



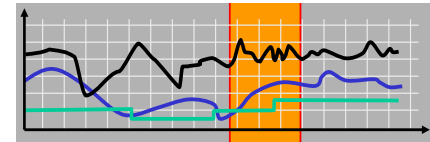
## *Full throttle to 30 km/h*

- Failure recognition module may not detect any failure in this test case.
- The complete test run may not last longer than 30 sec.



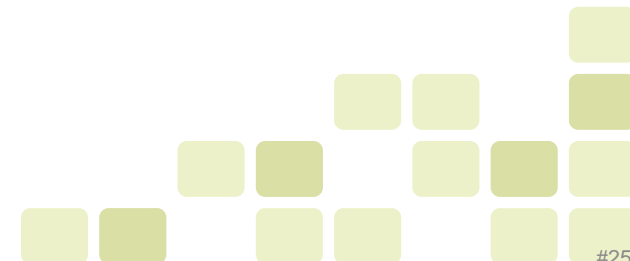
# Explicit time intervals

- Explicit time intervals can be specified to characterize more complex time interval using so called **time patterns**.
- Time patterns are special cases of **temporal regular expressions**.



## Examples:

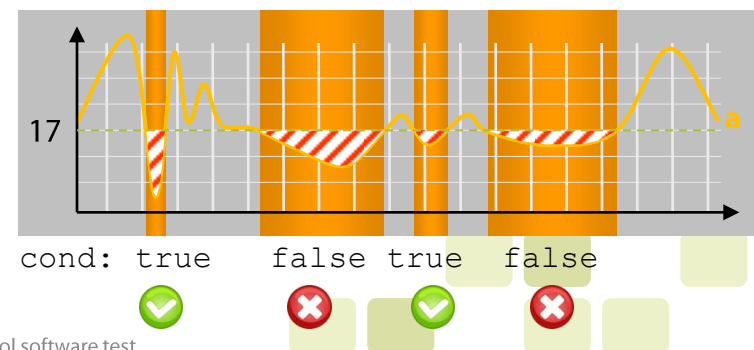
- [v\_vehicle(t) >= 100.0]** *time intervals with speed  $\geq 100$*
- [foo(t) == 1] [foo(t) == 2]** *time intervals with foo=1 followed by foo=2*
- ( [foo(t) == 1] [foo(t) == 2] )+** *time intervals with foo=1 and foo=2 alternating*



# Implicit time intervals

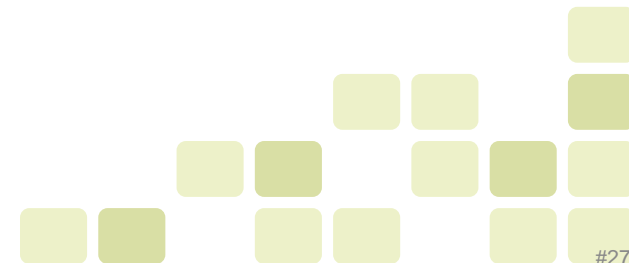
- Common analyses are
  - Checking of **signal bounds**
  - Comparison with **reference signals**
  - Correctness of value sequence** (for discrete signals)
  - Duration** of particular test phases
- Analysis is always performed in context of a well-defined **time interval**
- Every assessment can be analyzed in multiple time intervals:

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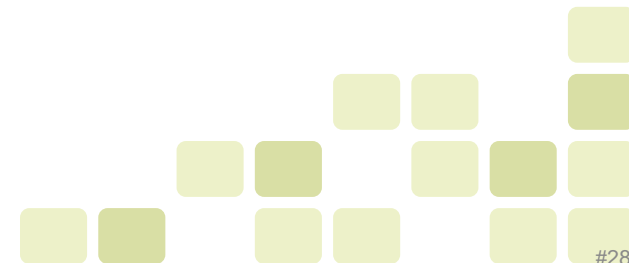


# Feature examples

- Monotony checks
- Duration checks
- Sequence checks
- Always/Exists Checks
- Signal Filter (FIR, IIR, MA)
- Bounds checks
- Signal comparison
- Signal File Import/Export



# Features and Platforms



# TPT Features (Overview)

## Modeling

- Graphical test models
- Closed-loop (reactive) tests
- Hard real-time enabled ( $\leq 100\mu\text{s}$  cycles)
- Signal import
- Signal editor
- Wizard based signal creation
- Variant handling / one model for all tests
- Test case generation (combinatory)

## Parameter Support

- Scalars, arrays, curves, and maps
- Parameter import
- Parameter overloading/calibration
- Online parameter calibration

## Assessment

- Online and Offline
- Back-to-back Analysis
- Temporal conditions
- General constraints and analysis per scenario
- Flexible offline concept with scripting language

## Execution

- Support of many execution platforms
- Multiple test sets and execution configurations
- Debugger for analysis

## Reporting

- HTML or MHTML
- Highly configurable
- Template editor for report customization
- Additional programmable content

## Requirements Management

- Import/Synchronization of requirements
- Import/Export/Synchronization of test cases
- Import/Export/Synchronization of links
- Impact analysis when requirements changes
- DOORS Integration

## MCD3

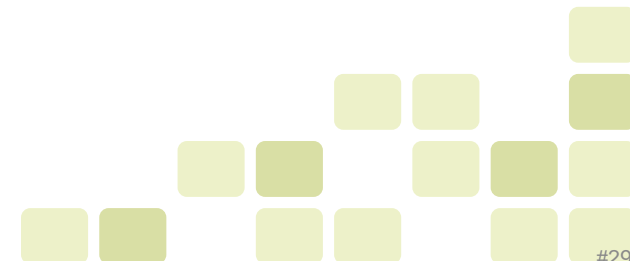
- Measurements for offline assessment
- Calibration before or during the test execution

## Test Data Viewer and Editor

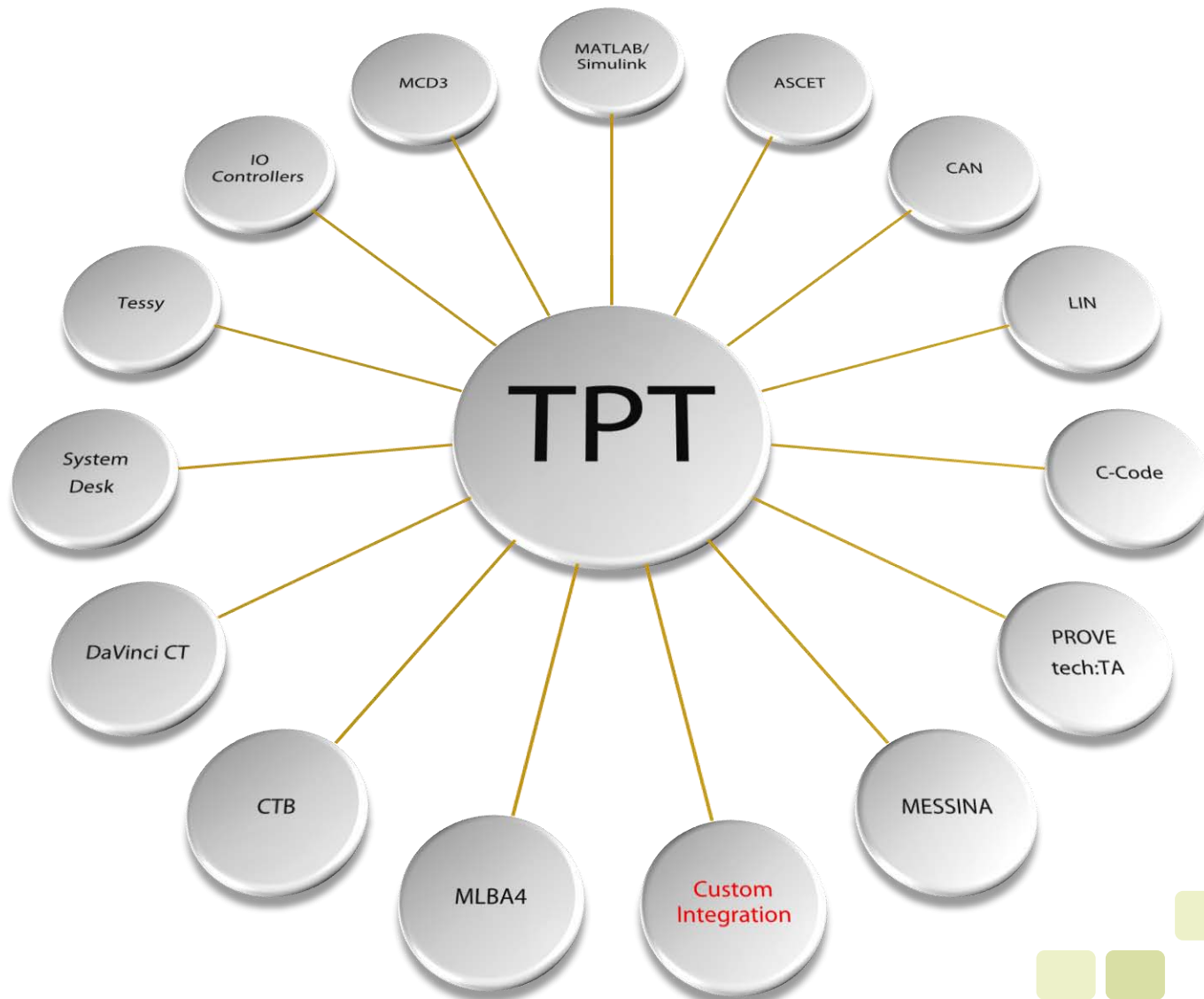
- Interactive and easy handling
- Multiple viewers
- One or two Y-axes per viewer

## File I/O

- MDF, DBC, LDF, A2L, DCM, ARXML, HDR, CSV, TPTBIN



# Supported Platforms by TPT



# TPT Feature Summary



Platform independent test models

Consistency from model to assessment and report

Automated tests (from test execution to test report)

Closed loop tests supported

Abstract test language

Systematic test case definition

Intuitive graphical models

Continuous behavior testing

Requirements tracing (e.g. Doors)

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