



Auto generated Remaining Bus Simulations based on a Fibex description file

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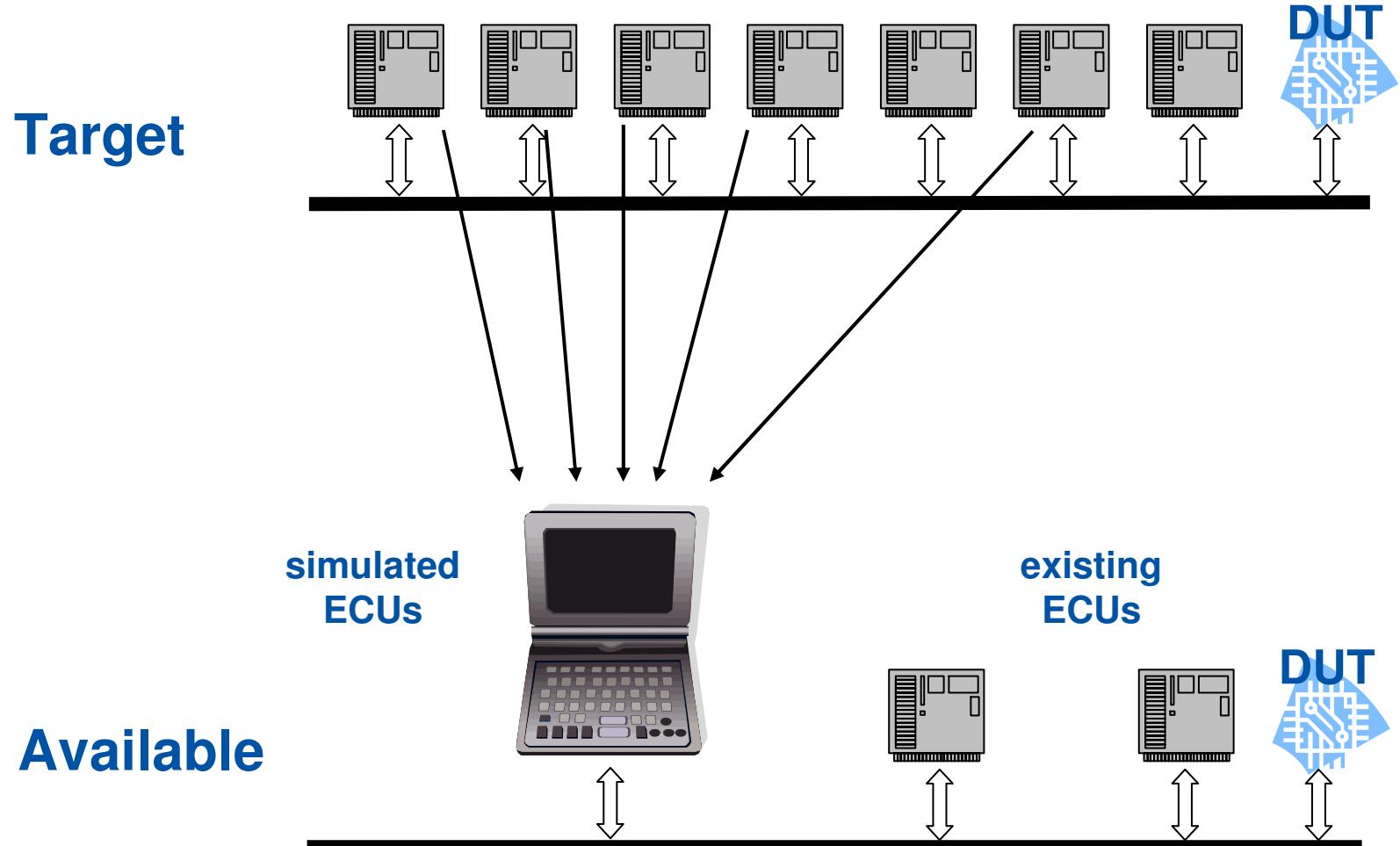
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What is a RBS?

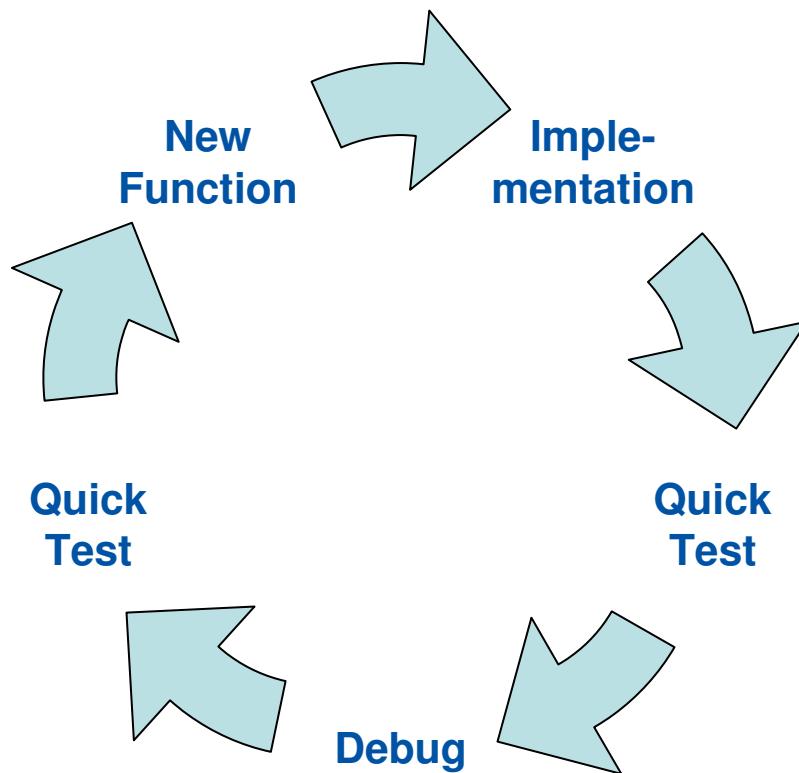


RBS – Why?



■ Testing

During Development: Verify new implemented functions

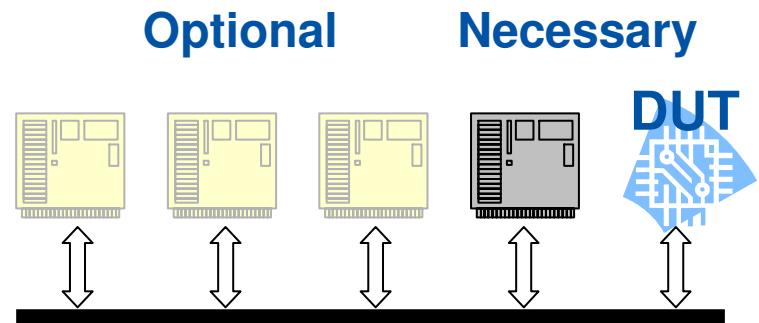




■ Keep Bus Alive

Two Nodes necessary

- Startup
- Synchronization



■ Device under test needs correct bus data

Dataflow control in real-time

- Alive counter
- CRC



- **Behavior verification**
 - Startup
 - Shutdown
- **Verification of FlexRay Parameter**

Configuration quite complex

 - DUT synchronizes
 - DUT sends Frames
 - DUT does not cause errors



- **Fast generation of the RBS (5-10 min)**

Complete auto generation of the RBS out of a description file (FIBEX)

- **Application CRC calculation**

Application CRCs must be included on certain positions.

CRC algorithm defined by the user.

- **Alive counter calculation**

Alive counter must be included on certain positions.

Algorithm defined by the user.

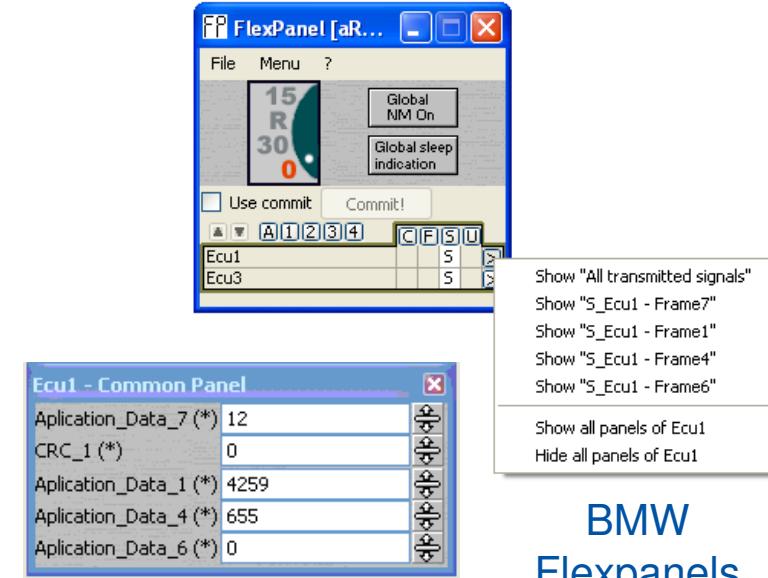
Needed Features



■ Manipulable Signals

Change signal values

- Scroll bar
- Drop down menu
- Binary values



BMW
Flexpanels

■ Adaptation to the integration process

Exclude already existing frames / ECUs



- **Monitor bus traffic**

In error cases it is helpful to be able to have a look at the bus traffic.

- **Includable User defined code**

An user interface should be provided to define user code which shall be included during code generation.

- **Deadline-/Overload-Monitoring**

Insurance that the simulation works correct

- Deadline violations
- Losing Frames
- CPU too weak (User code)

Needed Features



- **NM support**

Network management functionality must be supported.

- **Control / error indication / special functions**

Diagnose functions beside normal operation mode

- Alive Counter manipulation
- Application CRC manipulation
- Header CRC manipulation
- Calculation stop
- Defined and repeatable synchronization and shut down



Advantages of FIBEX

- **Standard format in the automotive section**

Nearly every firm uses FIBEX to describe there busses.

FIBEX is supported by many tools.

- **Nearly everything is describable**

- Bus parameters
- Bus topology
- ECUs
- Signals
- Frames



Disadvantages of FIBEX

- **NM not supported**
 - Payload-Preamble-Bit not supported.
 - Autosar NM planed in Fibex 3.0.1
- **Fast update rate**

Short intervals between new FIBEX version

➔ A lot of work to keep the tools / database up to date.



**The following remain bus simulation
is based on a concept of**

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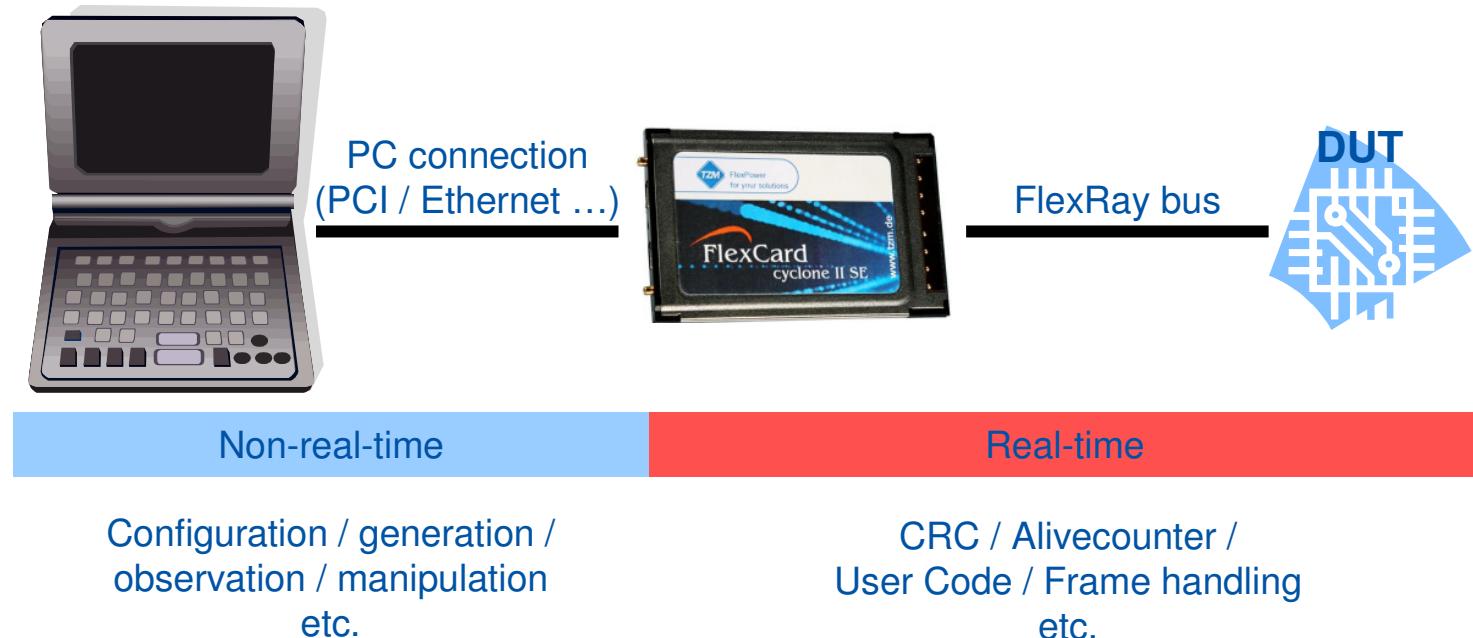
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Concept



Principle:

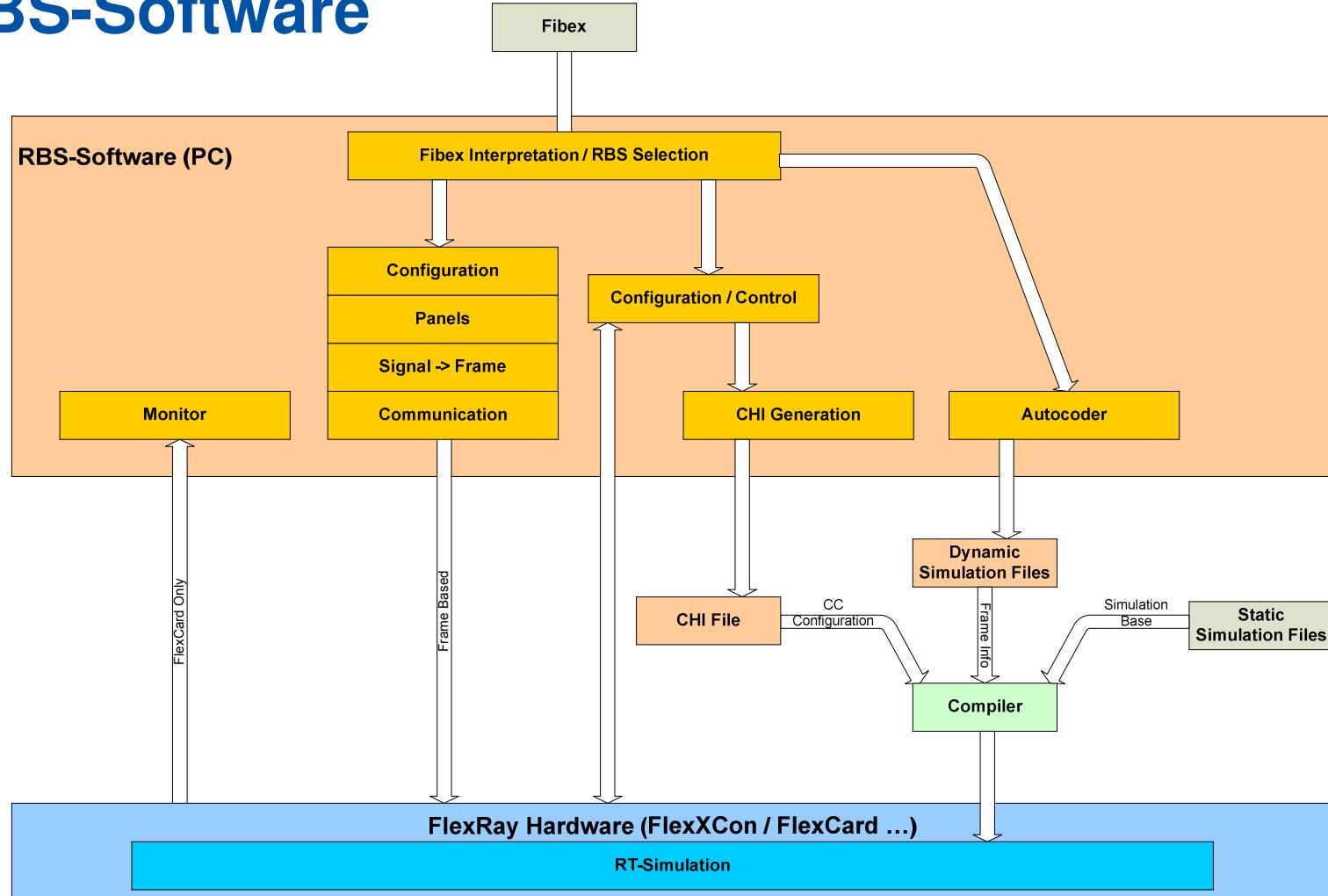
- Separating the software in a real-time and a non-real-time part
- Use a real-time platform and PC for corresponding software parts
- Make an intelligent simulation of the remaining bus communication



Concept



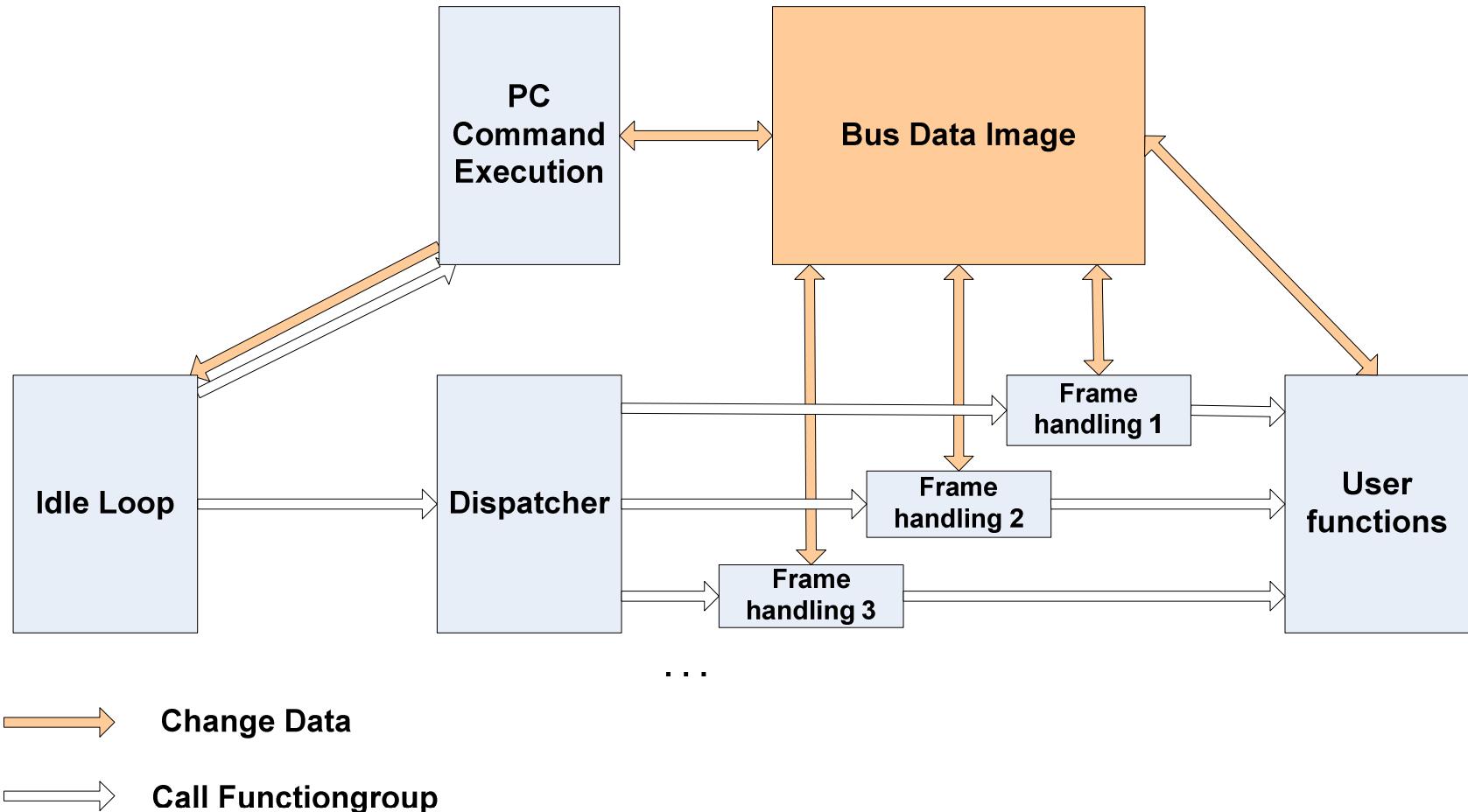
RBS-Software



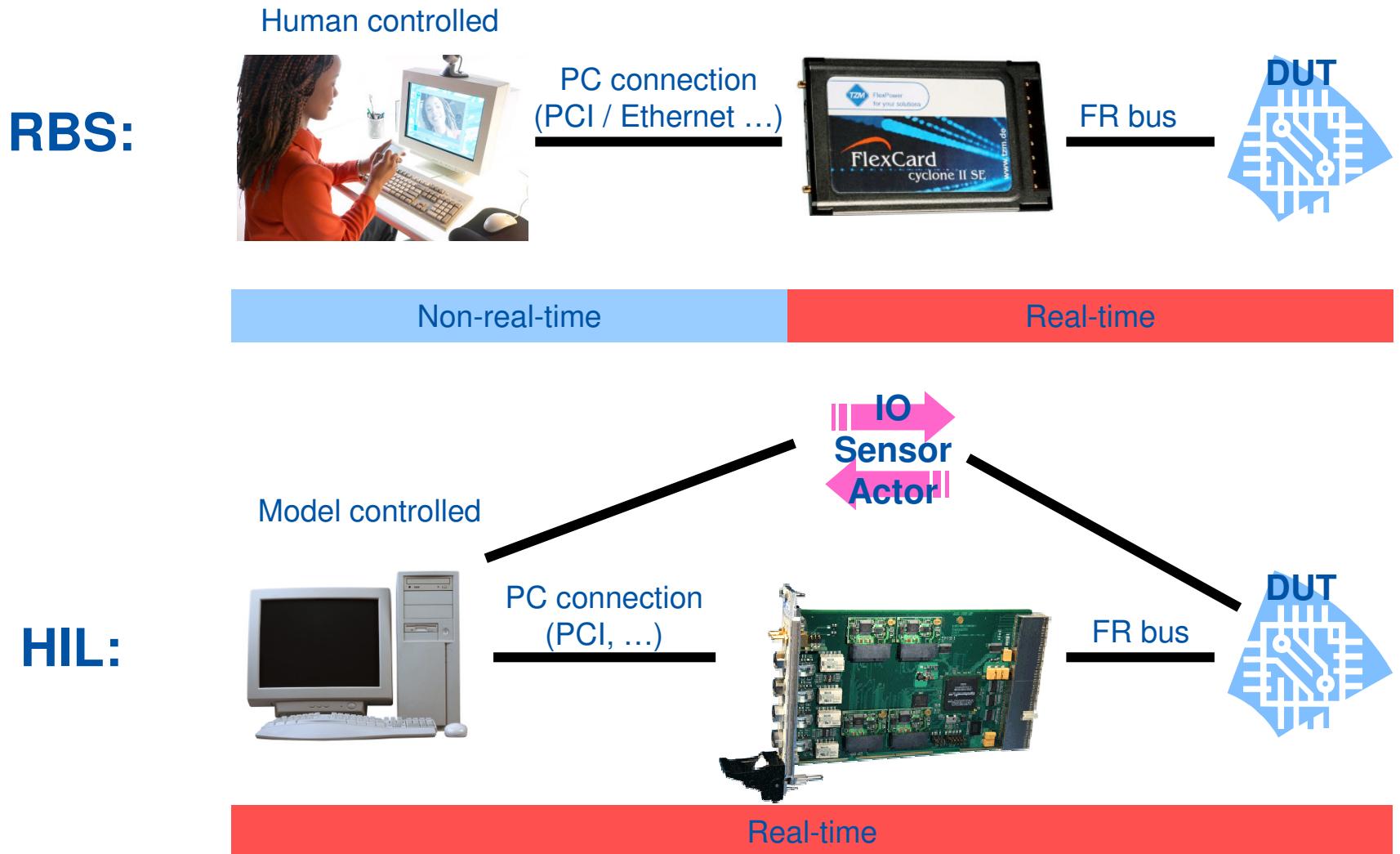
TZM FlexXCon Implementation



RBS-Firmware



RBS vs HIL





RBS

- Elementary / Cheap
- Real-time at lower level
- Short generation time

- Human controlled test

- Step by Step Testing

- Less error-prone since auto generated

HIL

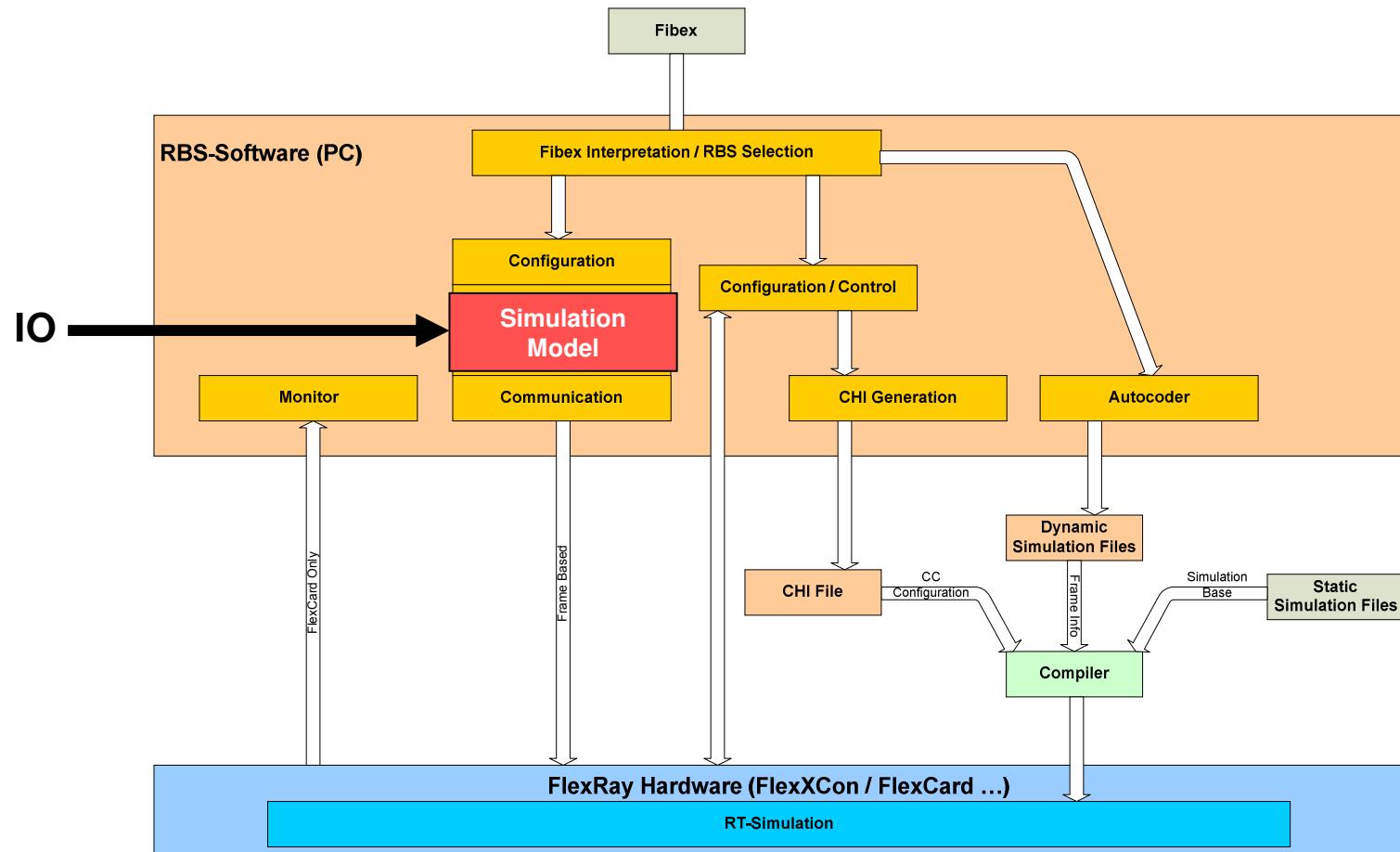
- Complex / Expensive
- Real-time at every level
- Time intensive model generation
- Automated test (model, parameter controlled)
- Test normally not interruptible

- If an error appears, is the error in the DUT or in the simulation model?

RBS vs HIL



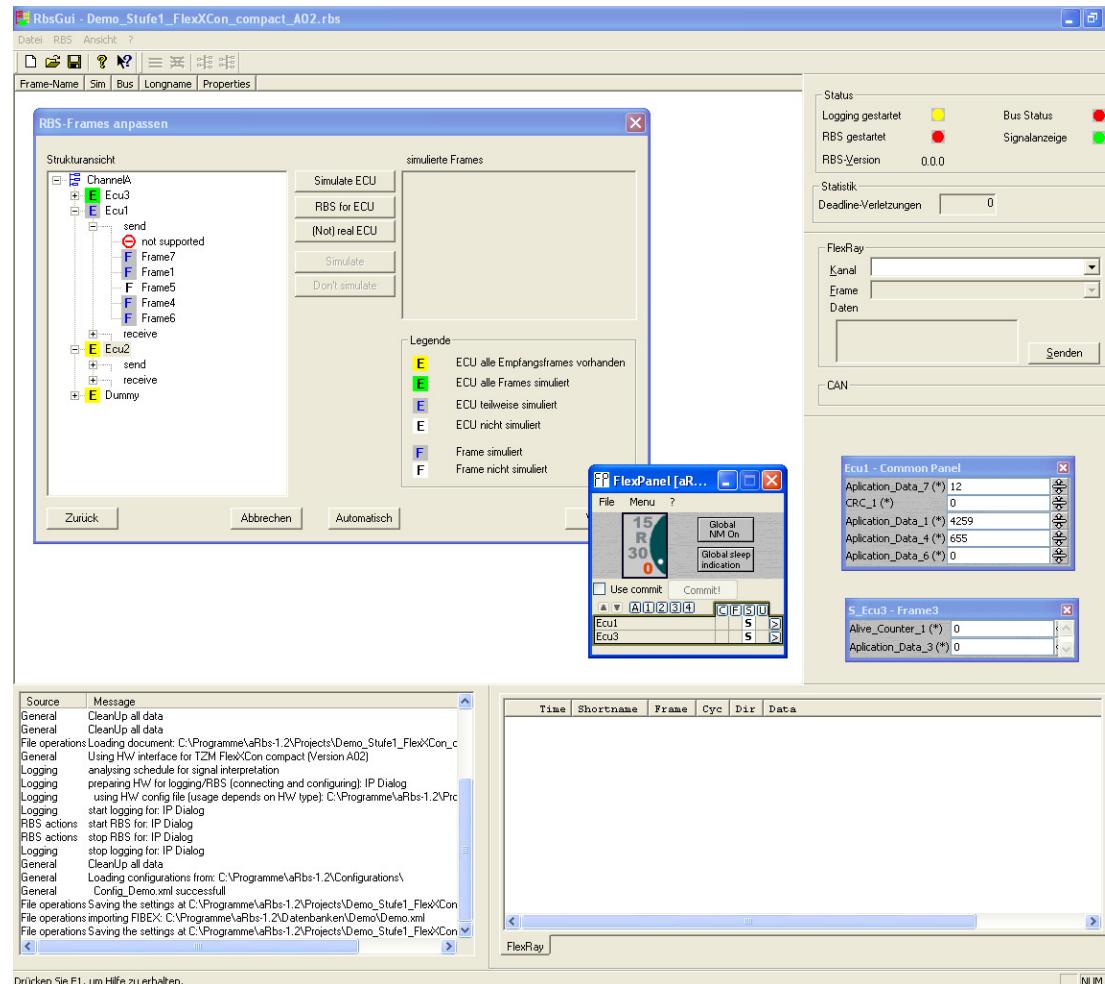
Transform the RBS into a HIL



Example



FlexRBS



BMW GUI

Example



FlexRBS - Workflow

Select pre defined simulation configuration

The screenshot displays two overlapping dialog boxes from the FlexRBS software:

- RBS-HW auswählen** Dialog:
 - Left pane: "Definierte HW" tree view with nodes: "Add new HW", "FlexXCon(compact_A02)" (expanded), "FlexRay A" (green checkmark), "FlexRay B" (green checkmark), and "undefined".
 - Right pane: "Auswahl" table with columns "HwInterface" and "Kurzbeschreibung". It shows two entries:
 - FlexXCon(compact_A02) - Tzm FlexXCon compact (V...)
 - FlexXCon(compact_A04) - Tzm FlexXCon compact (V...)
 - Buttons: "Hinzufügen" and "Entfernen".
 - Information: "Supports the Tzm FlexXCon compact communication controller".
 - Buttons: "Zurück", "Abbrechen", and "Automatisch".
- Basis Einstellungen** Dialog:
 - Project file: "Projektdatei" set to "C:\Programme\lArbs-1.2\Projects\Demo_Stufe1_FlexXCon(compact_A02).rbs".
 - FIBEX file: "FIBEX-Datei" set to "C:\Programme\lArbs-1.2\Datensachen\Demo\Demo.xml".
 - Distribution tree: "Verteilungen" showing "Demo" (selected) with "Stufe1" (selected) containing "Version0" (selected) and "Version1". Other branches include "Stufe2" with "Version3" and "Stufe3".
 - Step selection: "I-Stufe" set to "I1".
 - Info: "Info" panel contains the text "This is the Demo Version 0 configuration. It is...".
 - Buttons: "Zurück", "Abbrechen", "Automatisch", and "Weiter".

Example



FlexRBS - Workflow

Edit the configuration

Generate RBS

The screenshot displays two windows of the FlexRBS software:

- RBS-Frames anpassen** window:
 - Left pane: "Strukturansicht" tree view showing ChannelA, Ecu3, Ecu1, and Ecu2. Ecu3 has a red error icon next to "not supported". Ecu1 has a red error icon next to "send". Ecu2 has a red error icon next to "receive".
 - Right pane: "simulierte Frames" list containing Frame7, Frame1, Frame5, Frame4, and Frame6.
 - Buttons: Simulate ECU, RBS for ECU, (Not) real ECU, Simulate, and Don't simulate.
- Zusammenfassung** window:
 - Top right: "simulierte FlexRay Frames" count: 7
 - Legend:
 - E: ECU alle Empfangst...
 - E: ECU alle Frames sin...
 - E: ECU teilweise simul...
 - E: ECU nicht simuliert
 - F: Frame simuliert
 - F: Frame nicht simuliert
 - Middle left: "Mögliche Startup-Frames" list containing 98 and 99.
 - Middle right: "Makros" table:

Makroname	cont...	description
DemoMakro		Demo makro
ISTUFE	I1	basic informa
NO_STANDALONE		
Version	0	Demo makre
 - Bottom buttons: Zurück, Abbrechen, and Code generieren.

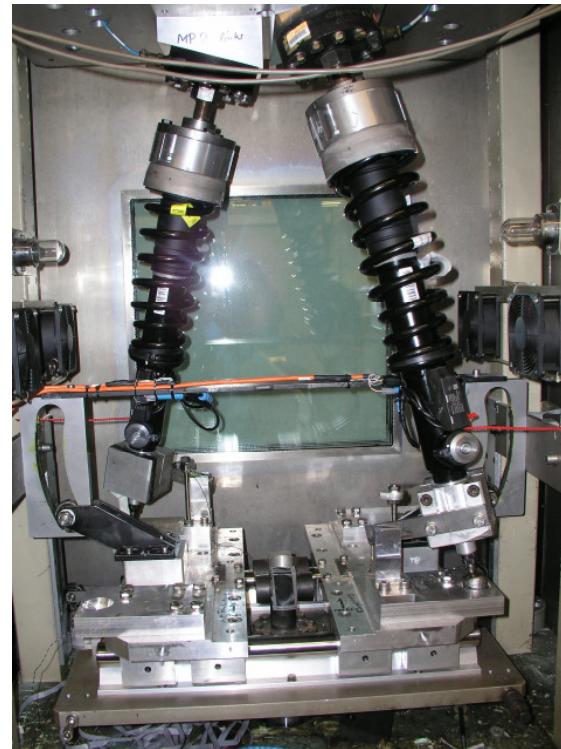
Example



Restbussimulation at BMW



Test bench for dumpers



Example



Restbussimulation used for pre-verification

Reference
Traffic



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Produced
Traffic



Conclusion



- Can not replace a HIL system, but is a cheap test alternative to minimize the test time at the HIL system
- Quick creation
- Useful test tool during development



Thank you for your attention

Questions?

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