

Simulation Framework for Executing Component and Connector Models of Self-Driving Vehicles

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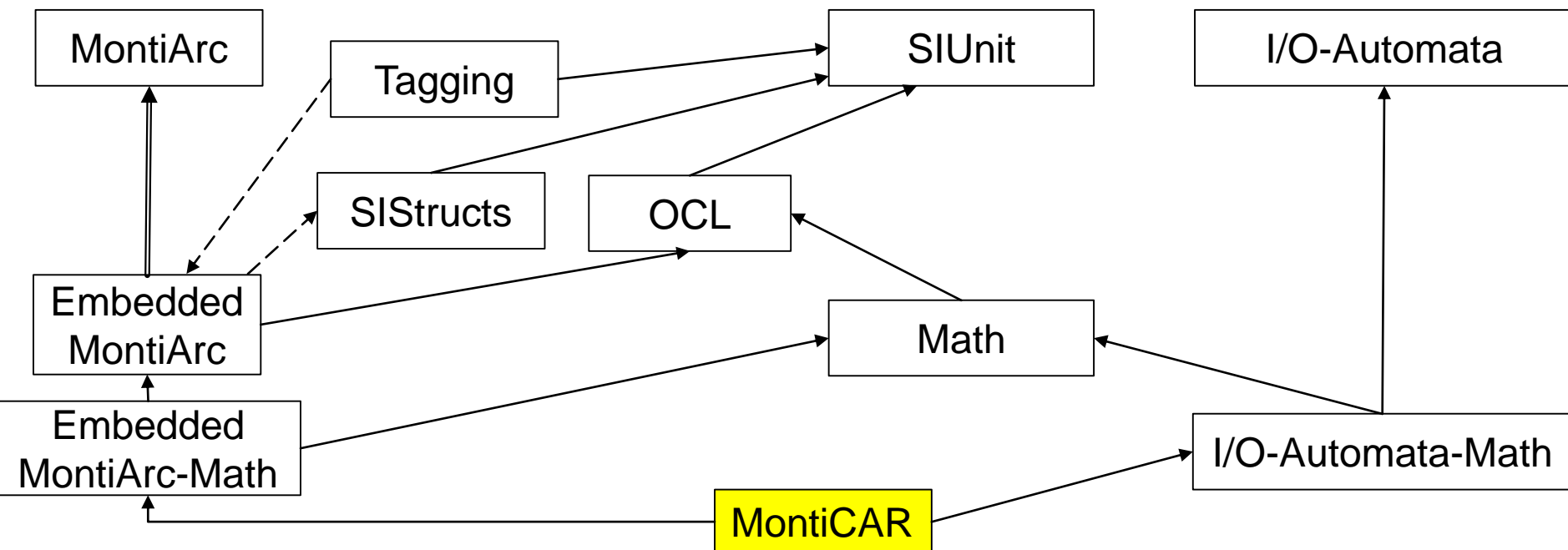
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MontiCAR – Main Characteristics

- Textual C&C ADL
- **MontiArc + domain specific concepts**
- Simulink-compatible semantics and timing (weakly causal)
- Strong Type-System
- Generation to C++-Code
- Compile-time checks and verification
- Optimization based on type information
- Extensibility



MontiCAR Domain Specific Concepts

The following Requirements for Cyber Physical Systems are satisfied:

- No support of datatypes which may overflow (e.g. `String`, `List`)
- Complete Unit Support
- Supporting (even multiple) Ranges for Sensors, Actuators
- Each Range can has its own Accuracy
- Support of Component and Port Arrays
 - Length of Port Array can be even a generic (higher reuse of components)

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```
4 component AutomatedVehicle {  
5   ports in GPS posCar,  
6       Q(0.01m:0.01m:4.2m) distance[10], ...  
7       out Z(0N:1N:200kN) brakeForce[4]; }  
8
```

Port type *port name* *port array size*

MontiCAR – Math for Behavior

Of great interest for cyber-physical systems:

- MATLAB like language for behavior specification
- Advanced **Matrix-Vector Support** with very powerful **Matrix-Type-System**
 - Errors can be found at compile/generate time (not at runtime as it is the case in Matlab if matrix dimensions do not fit)
 - Strong Type System allows efficient computations based on Matrix properties (e.g. sparse or full matrix)

- `Q(0m:10m) ^{1,10} distance;` (row vector definition)
- `diag inv Q(0:1) ^{10, 10} facMatrix = ...;` (type is a diagonal invertible 10x10 rational matrix which elements are between 0 and 1)
- `distVector = distance*facMatrix;` (Matrix-Matrix-Multiplication)
- `min(distVector);` (returning the smallest element of the vector)

Simulators / Case Studies

- TORCS
 - Deep Learning Direct Perception Control
 - Evolutional Controller Tuning
- Gazebo / ROS
 - PID based controllers
 - Distributed vs Centralized Control
- SUMO + Veins
 - Scenarios of Cooperative Driving
- VDrift / OpenDaVinci
 - End2End Learning
- Many others

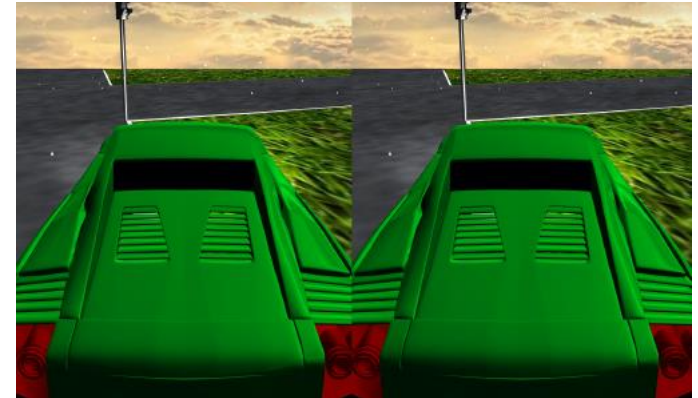


Requirements

- (R1) Import and reuse of existing **real world environment** data.
- (R2) Capability to simulate **large-scale everyday scenarios**, e.g., different traffic densities, light and weather conditions.
- (R3) Support for realistic and extensible **car models with sensors, controllers and actuators**.
- (R4) **Multi-platform** and portable devices support.
- (R5) Automated support for **continuous integration** and **regression testing**.
- (R6) Simulator should contain a **physics engine**.
- (R7) **3D visualization** for demonstration purposes.

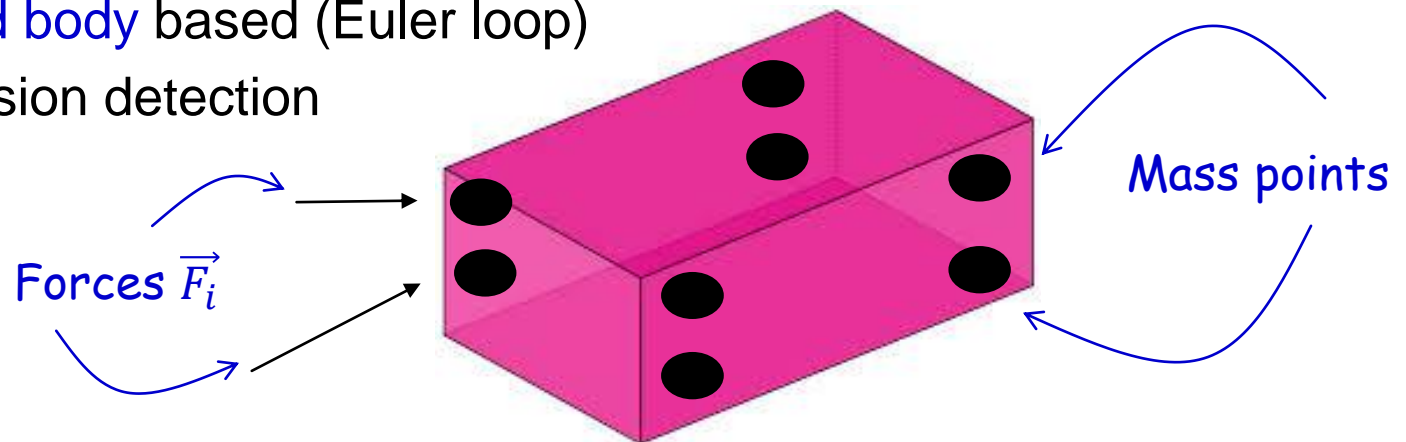
MontiSim – Main Features

- Browser based 3D visualization
 - Simulator: Java
 - Visualization: JavaScript / ThreeJS
 - Enables CV + ML capabilities
- Environment model
 - [OpenStreetMap](#)
 - Probabilistic models for pedestrian behavior
 - Weather effects (e.g. changing the friction coefficient)

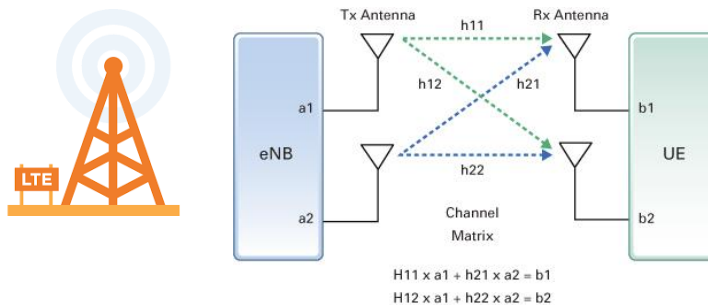


MontiSim – Main Features (2)

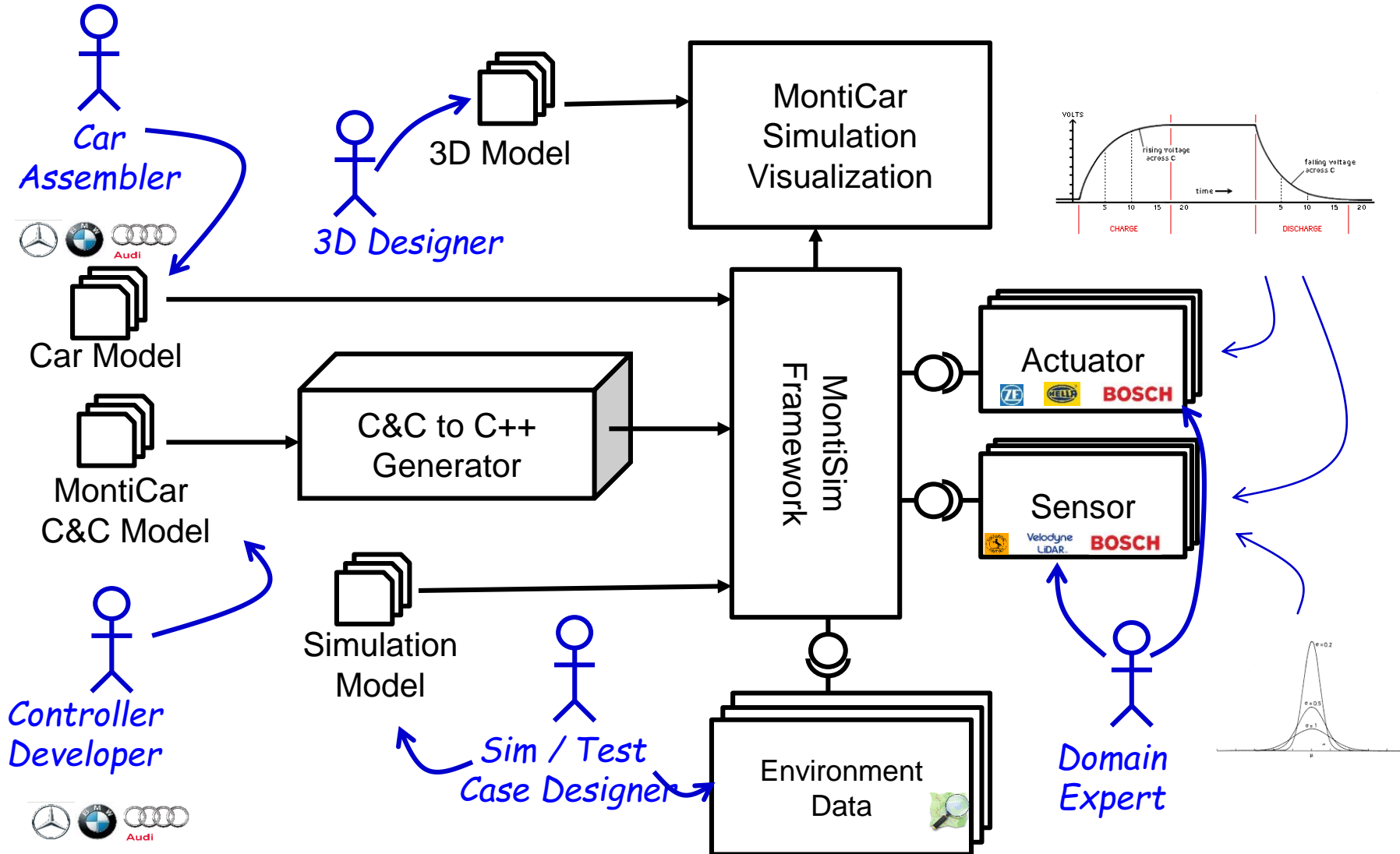
- Physics engine
 - Discrete time
 - **Rigid body** based (Euler loop)
 - Collision detection



- Simulator coupling
 - e.g., for Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) communication



MontiSim - Framework Overview



MontiSim - Simulation Models

- What do we want to simulate?

- Number of vehicles
- Goals
- Map
- Duration
- Resolution
- ...

- Is the model consistent?

```
1 simulation Example1 { Sim
2   map = AachenCity.osm;
3   startTime = 22.06.2017 13:30;
4   deltaT = 1ms
5   wheather = noRain, noSnow;
6   duration = 30s;
7   cars {
8     AC-SE001:  $50^{\circ}46'43.7''N$   $6^{\circ}03'38.6''E$  ->
9              $50^{\circ}46'49.7''N$   $6^{\circ}04'32.5''E$ ,
10    M-SE003: ... -> ... } }
```

Start Position

Target Position

- Are there type errors?

MontiSim – Car Models

- Car models need to be specified precisely

- Shape
- Sensors
- Actuators
- ...


- Needs to be consistent with the simulation model

```

1  car AC-SE001 {
2    dimension = 4.43m,1.93m,1.25m;
3    visualModel = R8Red.json;
4    weight = 1'655 kg;
5    controller =
6      LaneKeepingController;
7    sensors {
8      SpeedSensor => velocity;
9      TiHighAccGPS => position;
10   Compass => direction;
11   actuators {
12     steering => SteeringFIR4; }}

```

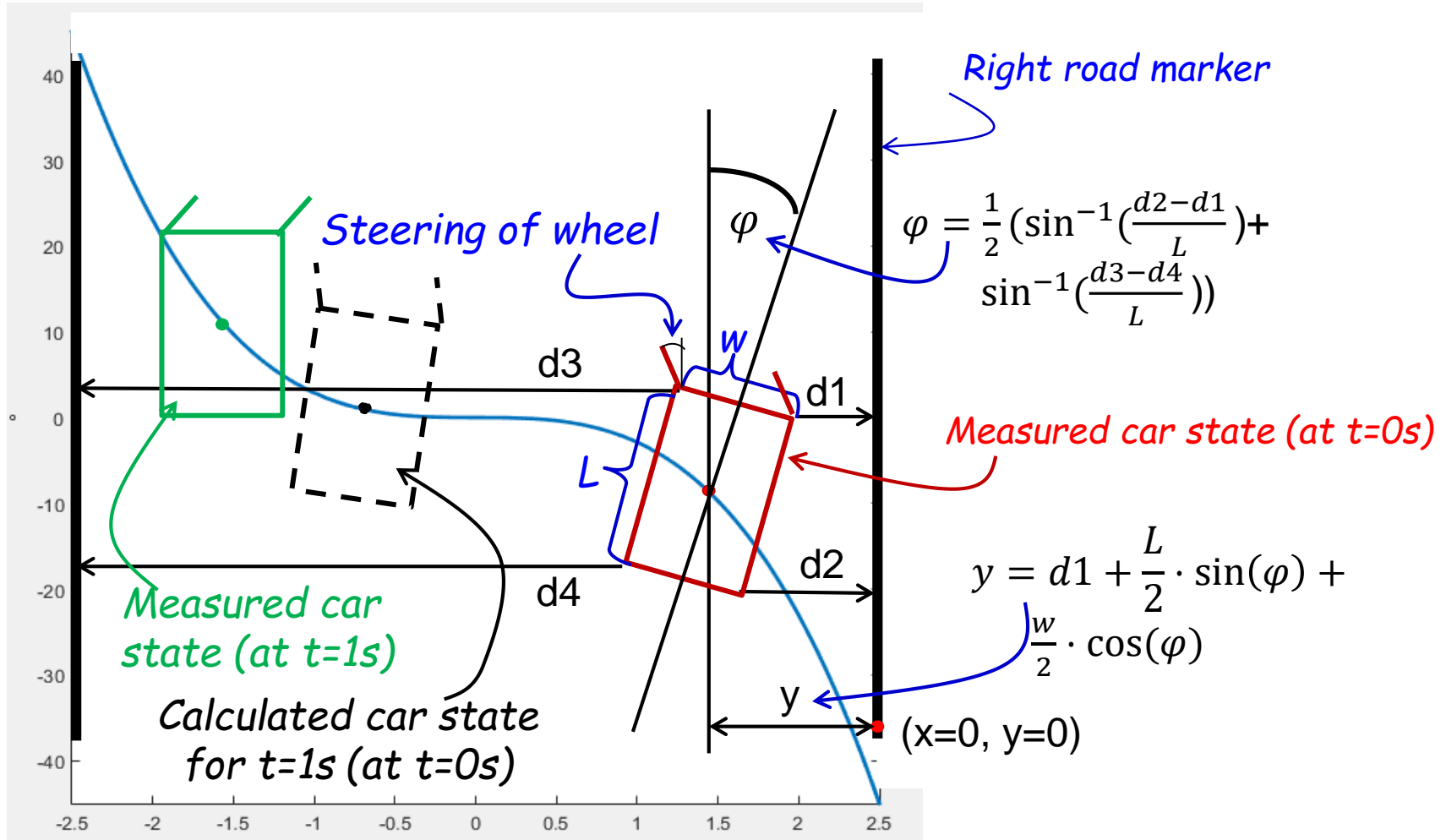
Car



Controller's input port

Controller's output port

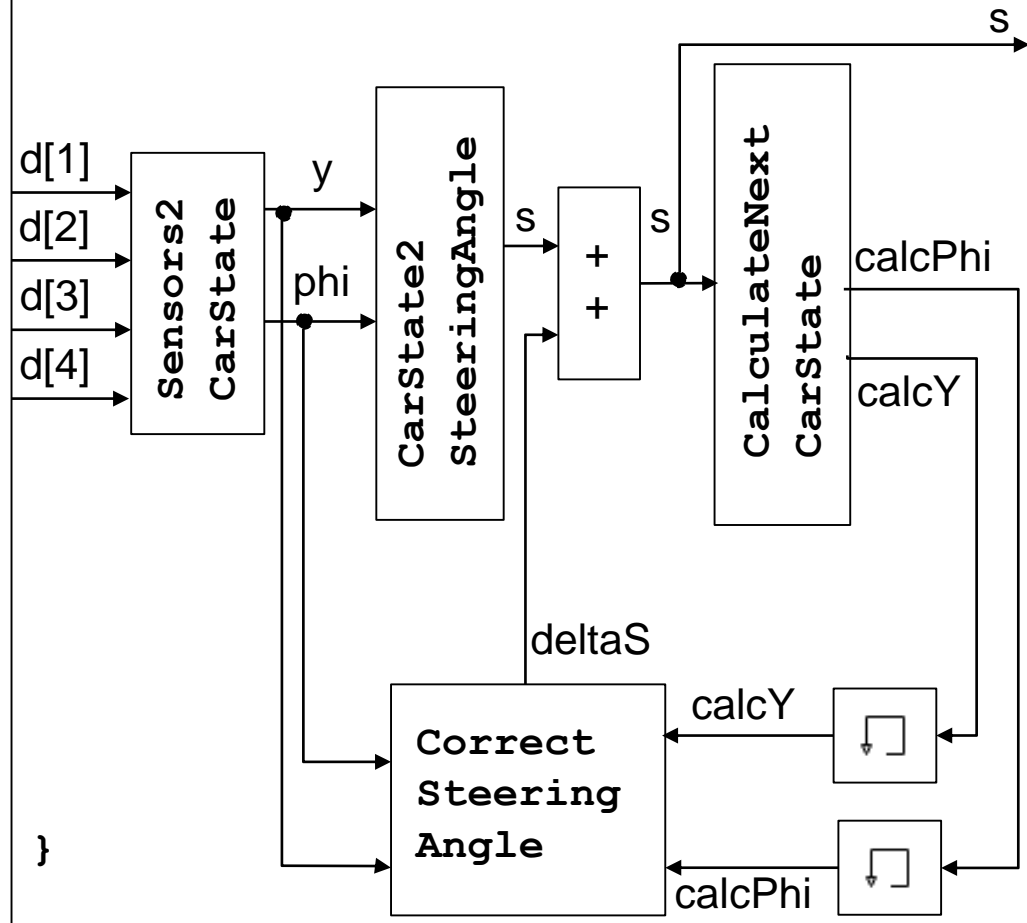
Model Predictive Lane Keeping Controller



Lane Keeping Controller - MontiCAR

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```
component LaneKeepingController {
    ports in Q(0m:0.1m:5m) d[4],
    out Q(-45°:0.2°:45°) s;
```



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```
component Sensors2CarState
(Q(0m:20m) L, Q(0m:2.4m) w) {
    ports in Q(0m:0.1m:5m) d[4],
    out Q(-2.5m:2.5m) y,
    Q(0:360°) phi;
    implementation Math {
        phi=0.5(asind(((d(2)-d(1))/L)+
            asind(((d(3)-d(4))/L)));
        y=saturate(
            d1+ L/2*sin(phi)+
            w/2*cos(phi),
            -2.5m, 2.5m); } }
```

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```
component CarState2SteeringAngle {
    ports in Q(-2.5m:0.1m:2.5m) y,
    Q(0:0.1:360°) phi,
    out Q(-45°:0.02°:45°) s;
    implementation Math {
        const a = -2.88°/m^3;
        s=saturate(phi + a*y^3,
            -45°, 45°); }
```

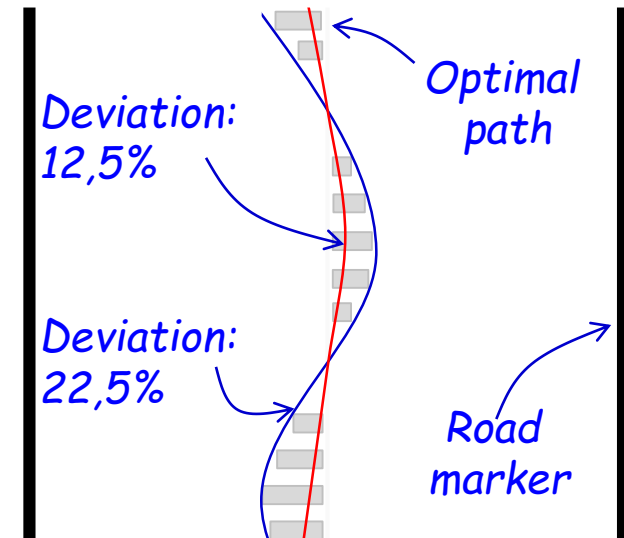
Automated Testing

- Model based testing using MontiCAR Stream language
- Each component can be tagged with stream tests
- No need to know anything about the generated code
 - Saves a lot of boiler plate code

```

1  stream StearingAngleTest  Stream
2  for Sensors2CarState
3  Values for input port d (L=3m, w=2m) {
4  d = [50cm 50cm 2.5m 2.5m]
5  tick [50cm 1.3m 2.6m 1.8m];
6  Expected Values for output ports time step
7  phi = 0° tick [15.45° +/- 0.05°];
   y = - tick -;      15.4° ≤ exp.
                       value ≤ 15.5°

```



The end

Thank you for your attention!