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"ince se)era \*ears +ercedes-(enz integrates simu ati&n and c&m,rehensi)e tests -ith a high degree &f aut&mati&n in the de)e &,ment ,r&cess &f aut&matic transmissi&ns. %his ,r&cess has been c&ntinu&us \* im,r&)ed and e.tended. /ecent \* a s& first su, ,iers and engineering ser)ice ,r&)iders ha)e been integrated in this ,r&cess. 0n this ,a,er -e ,resent the current state &f the de)e &,ment ,r&cess and the c&rres,&nding t&& chain. !s an a, ,icati&n e.am, e, -e use a dua-c utch transmissi&n 1D2%3 f&r ,assenger cars current \* under de)e &,ment at +ercedes-(enz.

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%he c&m, e.it\* &f transmissi&n s\*stems is steadi\* increasing, due t& gr&-ing mar4et e.,ectati&ns regarding transmissi&n efficienc\*, agi it\*, and fun t& dri)e. +ercedes-(enz addresses these demands -ith a gr&-ing number &f )heic e m&de s and c&nfigurati&ns, and -ith additi&na functi&ns &f the transmissi&n s\*stems, man\* &f them reaized using %25 s&ft-are. %he c&rres,&nding de)e &,ment times are c&nstant\* sh&rtened, -hi e simu tane&us \* 4ee,ing high 6ua it\* standards.

"\*stem de)e &,ment, and in ,articu ar s\*stem e)a uati&n and test -ith imited res&urces ltime -ind&- and c&sts3 is theref&re a great cha enge f&r the de)e &,ment teams. 2&n)enti&na de)e &,ment and test ,r&cesses re\* main\* &n 1&ften m&de-based3 de)e &,ment, hard-are-in-the- &&, 1' i73 tests, and )a idati&n and ca ibrati&n using ,h\*sica ,r&t&t\*,es. Gr&-ing c&m, e.it\* and imited res&urces im,&se an increasing ,ressure &n b&th 89+ and su, ,iers t& further im,r&)e this ,r&cess, t& ma4e it m&re re iab e and m&re c&st-effecti)e.

!cc&rding t& these g&a s, a fe- \*ears ag&, +ercedes-(enz intr&duced a ra, id integrati&n &f %25 functi&ns based &n s&ft-are-in-the- &&, simu ati&n :1, 2; and c&m,rehensi)e s\*stem )a idati&n based &n aut&ated test generati&n :6, 3, <:. 0n this ,a,er, -e ,resent the current state &f this de)e &,ment ,r&cess and the c&rres,&nding t&& chain. !s an a, ,icati&n

The D2% de)ement en)ir&nment integrates the f& &-ing c&m,&nents 1,art \* sh&-n in Fig. 13:

- ! multi-d&main simu ati&n en)ir&nment used t& buid a m&de &f the ,h\*sica -&r d ar&und the %25, i.e. transmissi&n c&m,&nents and car simu ati&n. =e use the m&de ing language +&de ica :7;, and D\*m&a as a m&de ing and c&de generati&n t&& f&r the simu ati&n m&de .
- + !%7! (>"imu in4 is used f&r m&de -based de)ement &f the %25 c&ntr& s&ft -are.
- %arget7in4 turns the "imu in4 m&de 1ab&ut 1?0 m&du es3 int& high 6ua it\* 2 c&de f&r t -& targets: the rea %25 and the "i7>"i)er , atf&rm described be & - .
- ! ra,id ,r&t&t\*,ing en)ir&nment is used t& )a idate the D2% ,r&t&t\*,e and the %25 in a rea )ehic e and &n 'i7.
- "i)er is the t&& f&r )irtua integrati&n &f m&du es based &n "i7 simu ati&n. "i)er im,&rts b&th the transmissi&n and car m&de generated b\* D\*m&a and the %25 s&ft -are generated b\* %arget7in4 as D77s and runs them in a c&-simu ati&n. On additi&n, "i)er ,r&)ides interfaces t& aut&mated s\*stem test, the !27 database t& integrate ca ibrati&n data int& the simu ati&n &&, , and @2A, t& su, ,&rt )irtua ca ibrati&n and measurement, much i4e in a rea car.
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- For a system validation: = with early availability of executable system behavior, system behavior can be validated against specifications and requirements. This is the traditional (framing) argument: engineers are able to test, debug and optimize their own modules in a system context and are not restricted to module tests.
- High availability: Error integration, faults and setups are relatively cheap, easy to avoid and setups can be re-iterated effectively with little effort because the run and



minutes and e. , &re the resu ting %25 beha)i&r b\* dri)ing a )irtua car )ia "i7>"i )er &n its a ,t& ,. B&te: %he c&de running &n the a ,t& , is the fina c&de -ith fi.- ,&int arithmetics.

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+&de ica is a )end&r-neutra anguage f&r m&de ing &f ,h\*sica s\*stems. %he +&de ica anguage has been de)e &,ed since 1997 b\* the n&n-,r&fit +&de ica !ss&ciati&n :7;. Due t& its mu ti-d&main c&nce ,ts, +&de ica &ffers &utstanding su , ,&rt f&r the m&de ing &f mechatr&nic s\*stems, such as aut&matic transmissi&ns. ' igh 6ua it\* simu at&rs f&r +&de ica are &ffered b\* se)era t&& )end&rs. F&r the D2%, D\*m&a -as used t& buid a +&de ica m&de &f the D2% 1 -ith&ut the %25 c&ntr& s&ft -are3, the entire )ehic e 1inc uding engine and its interacti&ns -ith the D2%3, dri)er and r&ad. D\*m&a is a s& used t& generate high 6ua it\* simu ati&n c&de fr&m the m&de , t& be e.ecuted in the "i7 en)ir&nment. 0n the +ercedes



- Calibration parameters: "i)er can read and -rite ca ibrati&n data in D2+, A! / &r '9@ f&rmat. Ea ues can be -ritten t& fi es &r Cf ashedD fr&m fi es int& the simu ati&n.





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The build process for the "i7" i)er target is a modified version of the build process for the "i2" re ,rcess&r. (Because compiled module versions are stored and shared in the AE2 " )ersi&n management system, an incremental build after n \* a few minutes has been modified to take n \* a few minutes. Instead, a compile, etc build takes about 1-2 hours.

!s& the 25 modules contributed by external suppliers are integrated in the "i7" i)er target. Thus, a development engineer has a complete and rapid access to the "i7" i)er simulation of the compile, etc system. Thus the \* can test their own modules and the interaction with the rest of the system in parallel and independent of each other. Users and engineering service providers that collaborate in the project also start to use the "i7" i)er ,atfirm for integration and tests. "e)era ,tentia ,rblems are direct \* shared -n b\* "i)er, for instance: mismatching signal names, interaction of the min-max bounds from 127, unexpected system behavior, missing signals, etc.

In addition, extensive tests with testbenches are run each week. During a typical test, for instance after the weekend, over 2000 test scenarios are automatically generated, classified and assessed. In the project is still in a relative \* early \* phase, -e concentrate more on software errors and algorithmic errors. (but a set of more and more quality criteria are added to the testing goals. +an \* of these criteria can be reused from the testbenches configuration for the 7G-runic transmission. At the end of a test sequence coverage and reliability reports are available for sharing -hat has been tested, and -hat ,rblems have been found. The ,rblems found are then assigned to the responsible developers. For the detailed ,rblem analysis and debugging the test scenarios can be re-used with "i)er, -here additional signals can be ,tted, breakpoints can be set, etc.

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=e ,resented the test chain and ,rcess current \* used at Mercedes-Benz development, the control software for a dual-clutch transmission. The -r4 ,rcess is centered around a virtual integration platform, here "i)er :?;. This enables us to perform significant validation, test and analysis steps earlier than in traditional development setups and that a high \* available standard A2s available for each engineer ,articipating in the ,rject. Organising ,rcesses around sharing project files removed significant synchronisation ,ints in the development ,rcess and a -s engineers to assess their improved modules in a system context. When ,rblems are found, the "i7 ,atfirm ,rvides a complete analysis and debugging environment. The investment in building and maintaining the "i7 ,atfirm ,rved to be -e justified by savings due to shorter development cycles. The ,resented a ,r each

test system) a data-driven and automated test generation - with test cases generated to be  
articulate useful. Over the entire project, the number of different test cases used to validate  
the system has been increased by 2 and 3 orders of magnitude, with increasing the number  
of test engineers. In the contrast, we estimate that the effort spent for test setup, and  
maintenance is only a fraction of the effort required for setting up, and maintaining the  
script-based approach;

The current economic trends continue to put a high pressure on software and services to further  
improve their development process, to make it more reliable and cost effective. The  
standardization of the software architectures - which help to contribute in this

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