

Five Cool Things You Can Do With Powertrain Blockset

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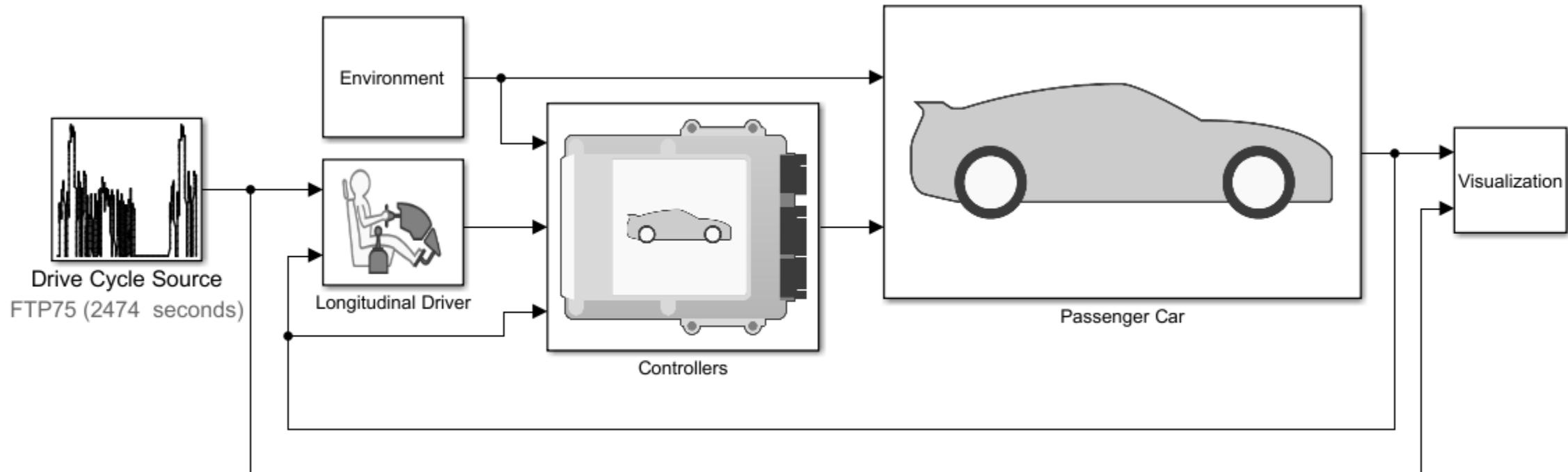
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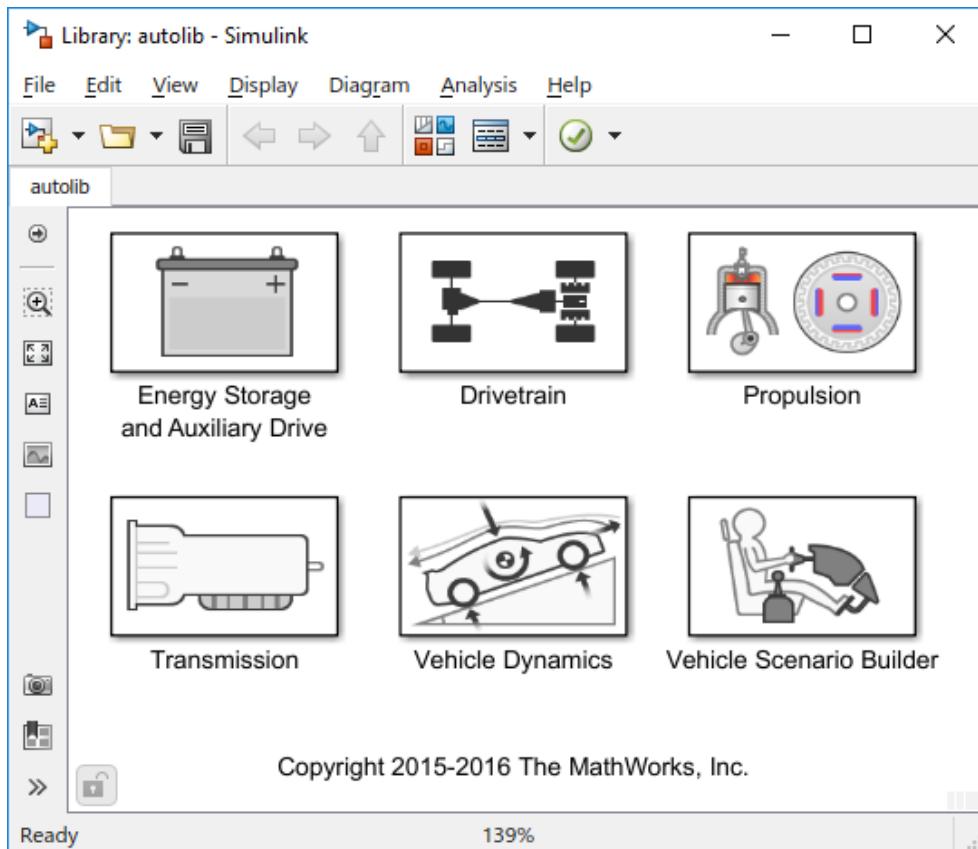
Powertrain Blockset

- New product: R2016b+ (web release)
- Goals:
 - Provide starting point for engineers to build good plant / controller models
 - Provide open and documented models
 - Provide very fast-running models that work with popular HIL systems

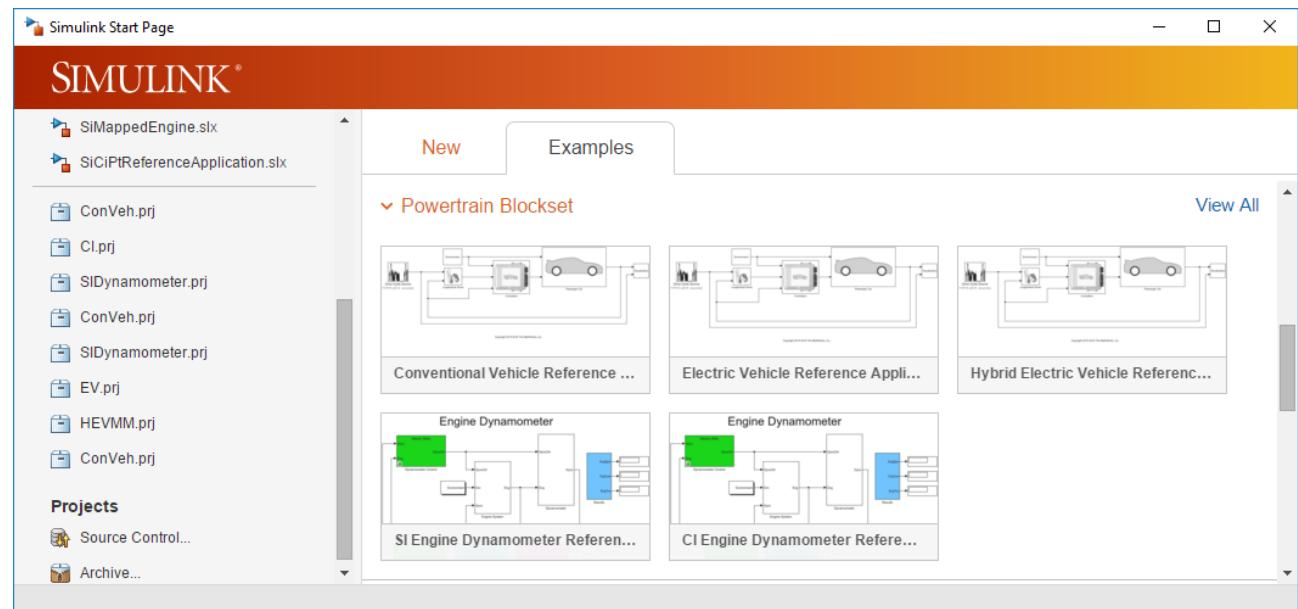


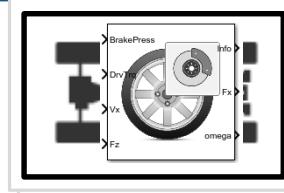
Powertrain Blockset Features

Library of blocks

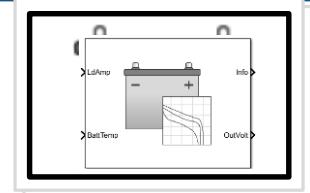


Pre-built reference applications

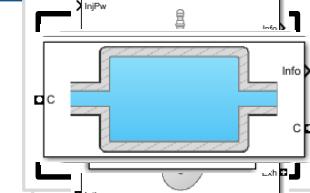




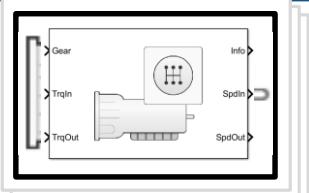
Drivetrain



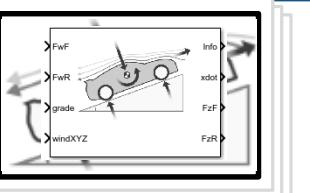
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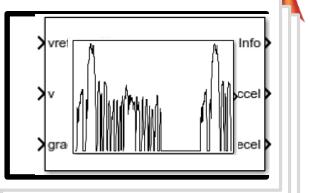
Propulsion



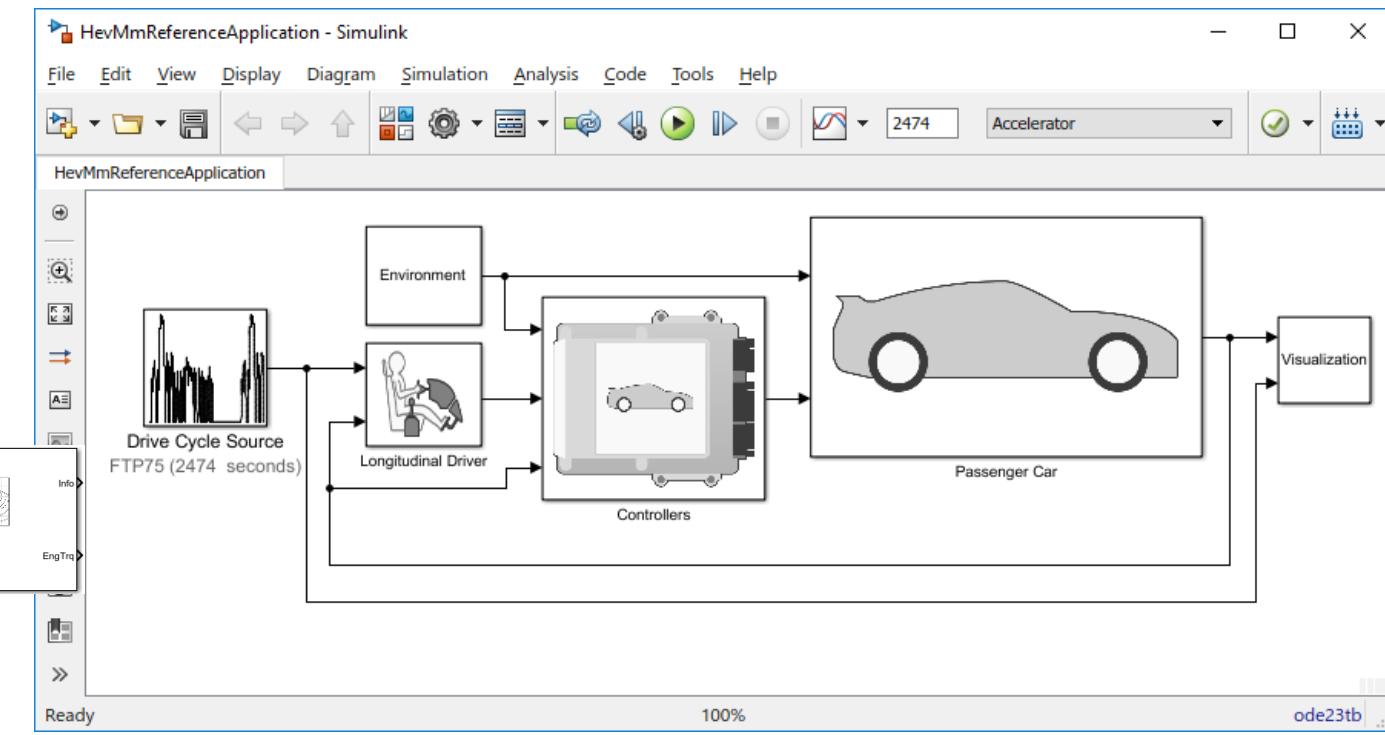
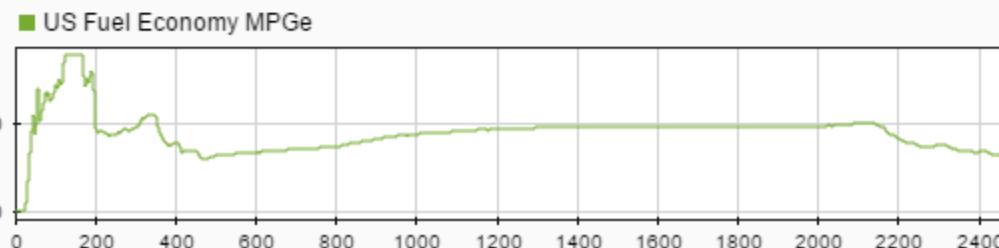
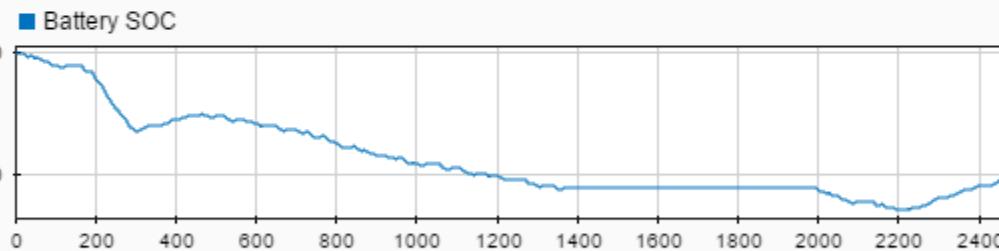
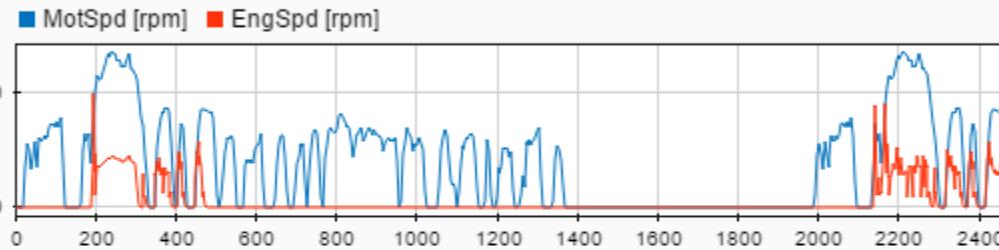
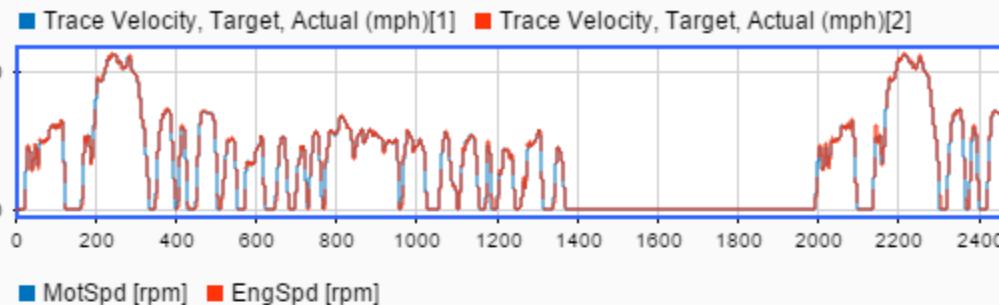
Transmission



Vehicle Dynamics

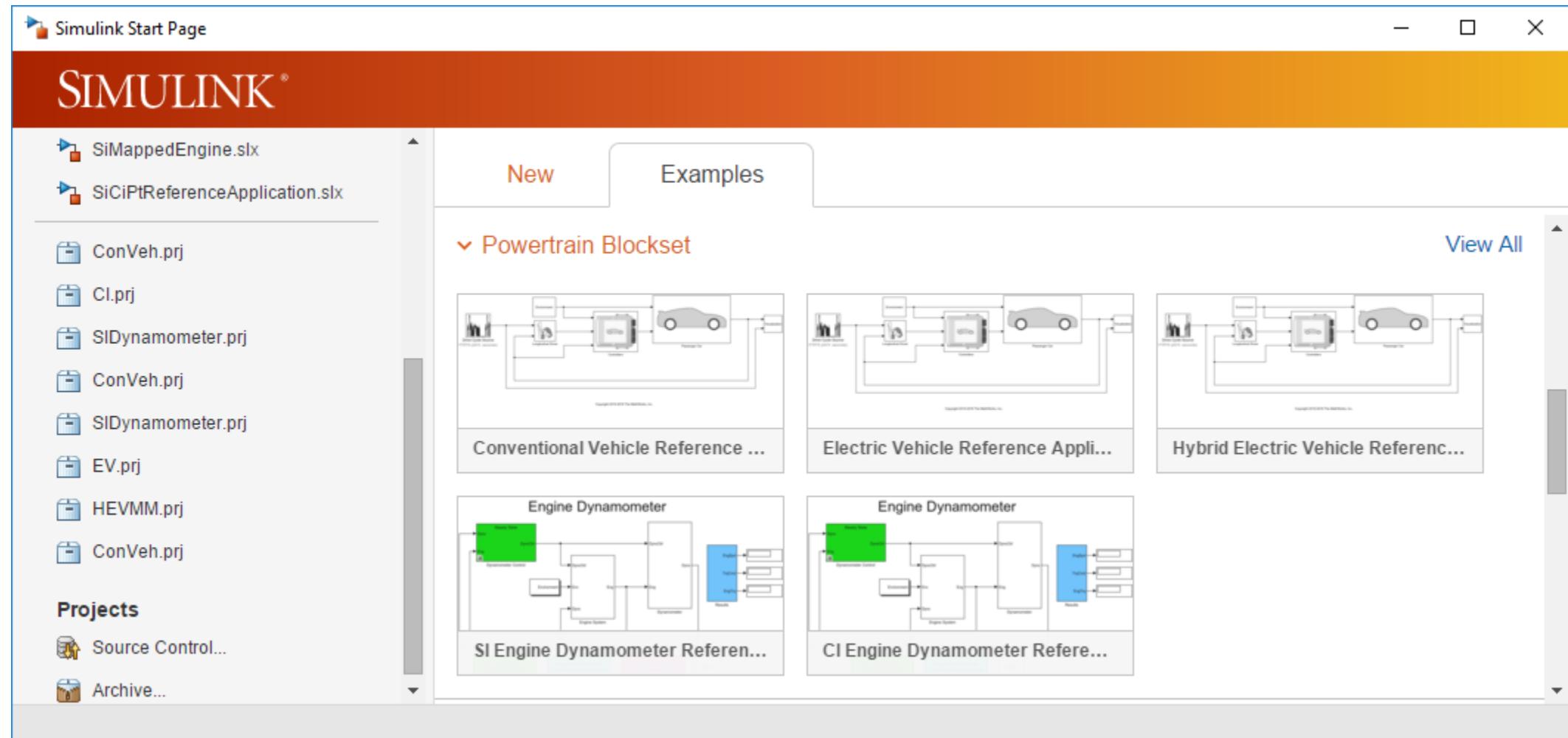


Vehicle Scenario Builder

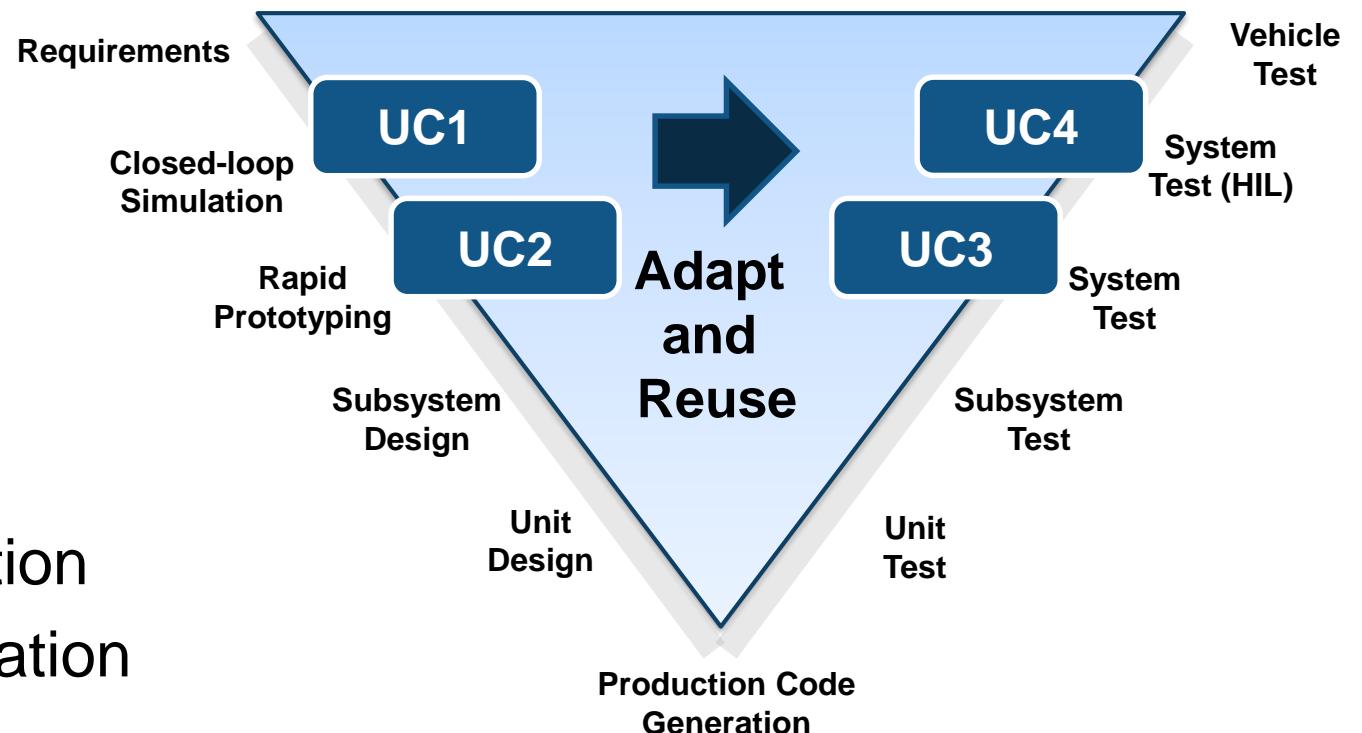


Reference Applications

- Full vehicle models (conventional, EV, multi-mode HEV)
- Virtual engine dynamometers (compression ignition, spark ignition)



Four Use Cases. One Framework.



Use Cases:

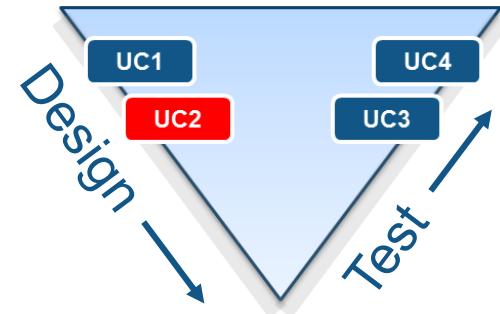
1. System design and optimization
2. Controller parameter optimization
3. System integration test
4. Software-hardware integration test (HIL)

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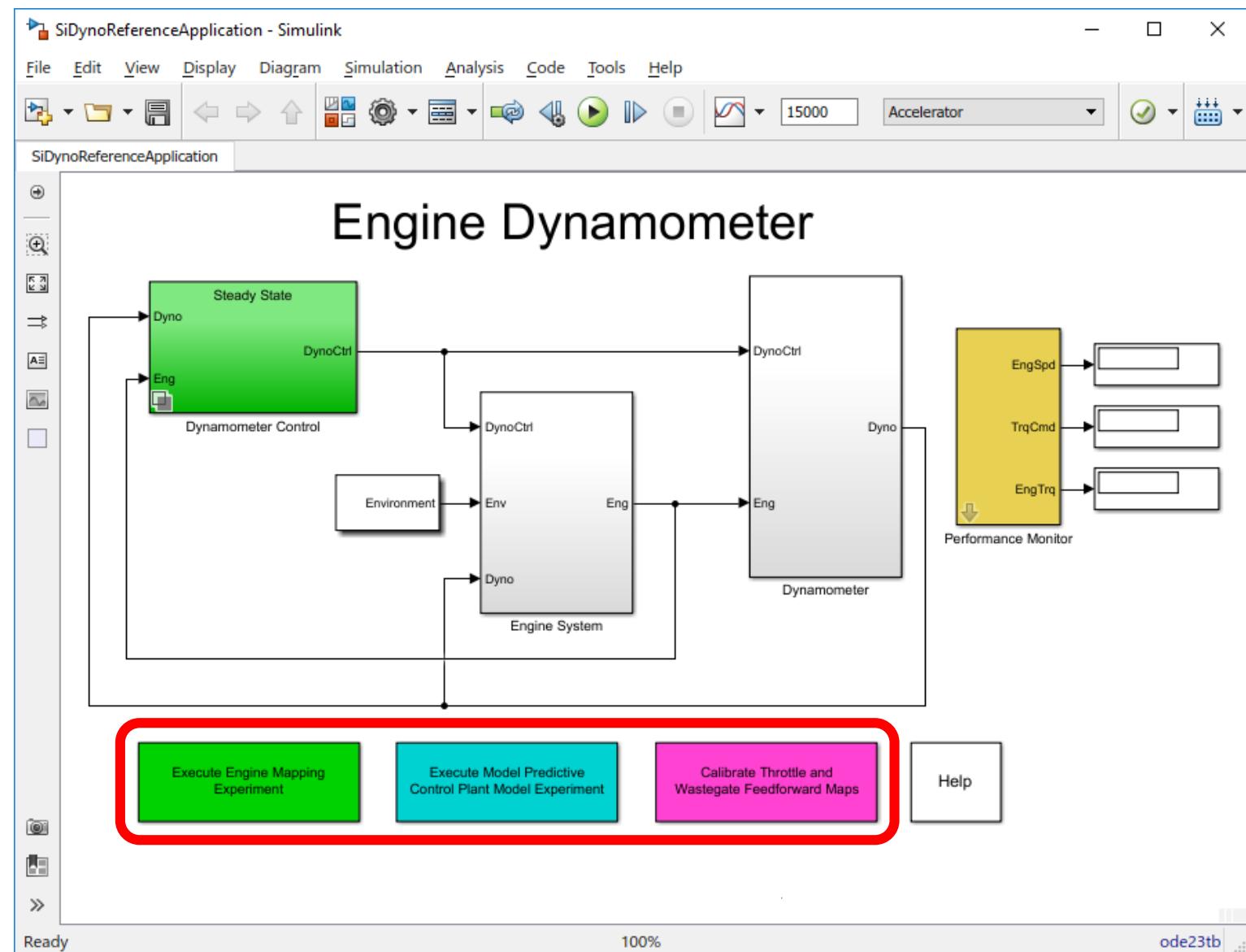


Reduce time on HIL, dyno, vehicle testing

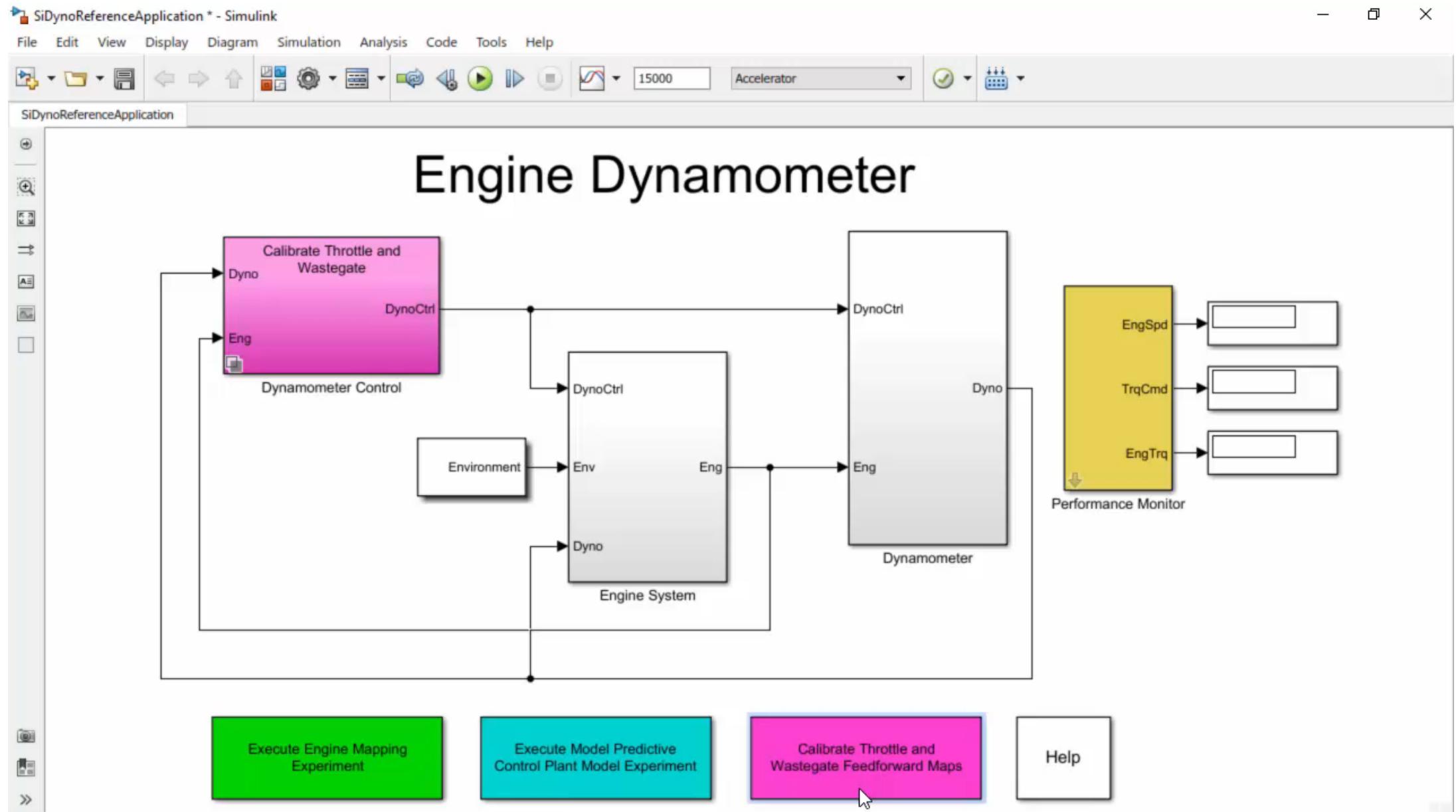


Engine Control Design / Calibration

- Powertrain Blockset includes virtual engine dynamometer reference applications
- These can be used for a variety of engine controls development and calibration activities
- Includes several pre-defined experiments

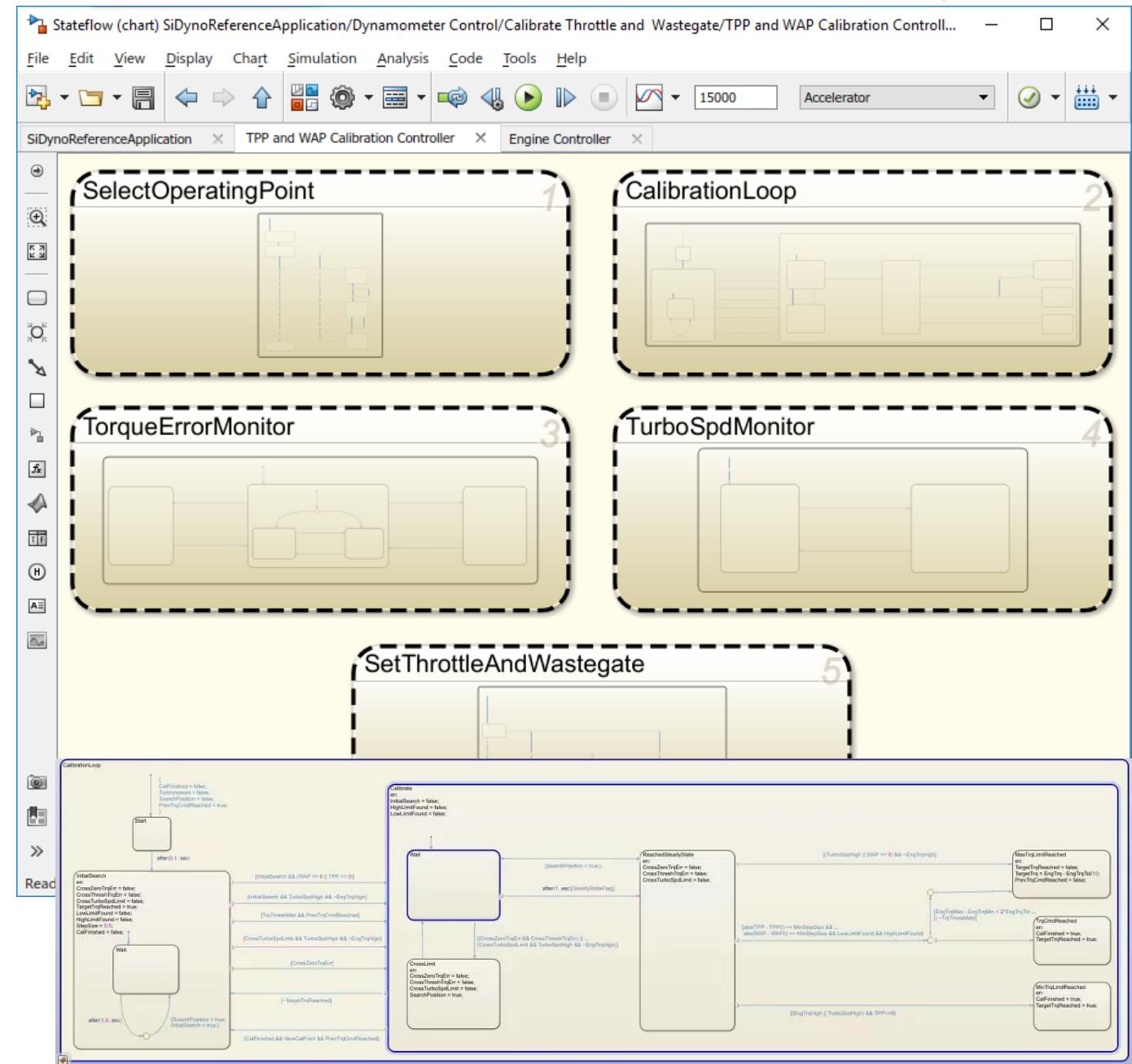


Automated Calibration Experiment

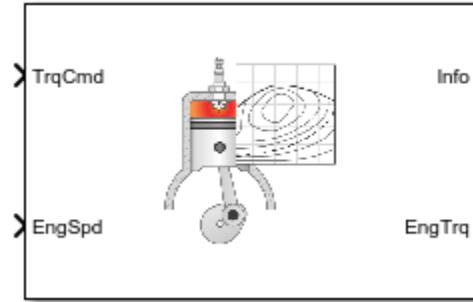


Executable Test Specification

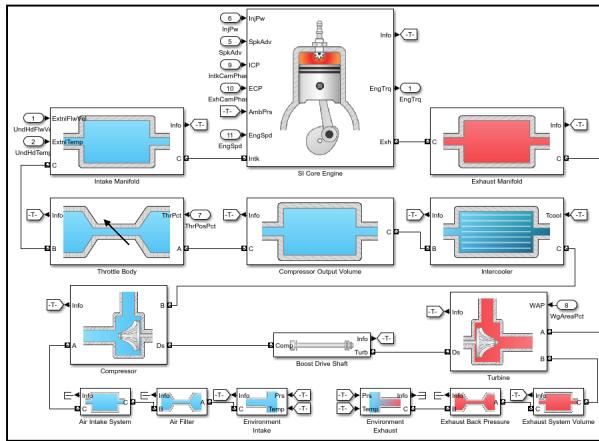
- Describe the calibration procedure as a Stateflow chart (not a Word doc)
- Test the procedure virtually
- Validate / plan calibration procedure with test engineers
- Start testing on real hardware with refined procedure



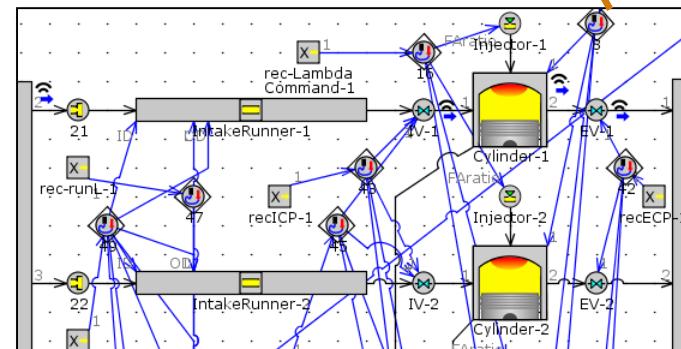
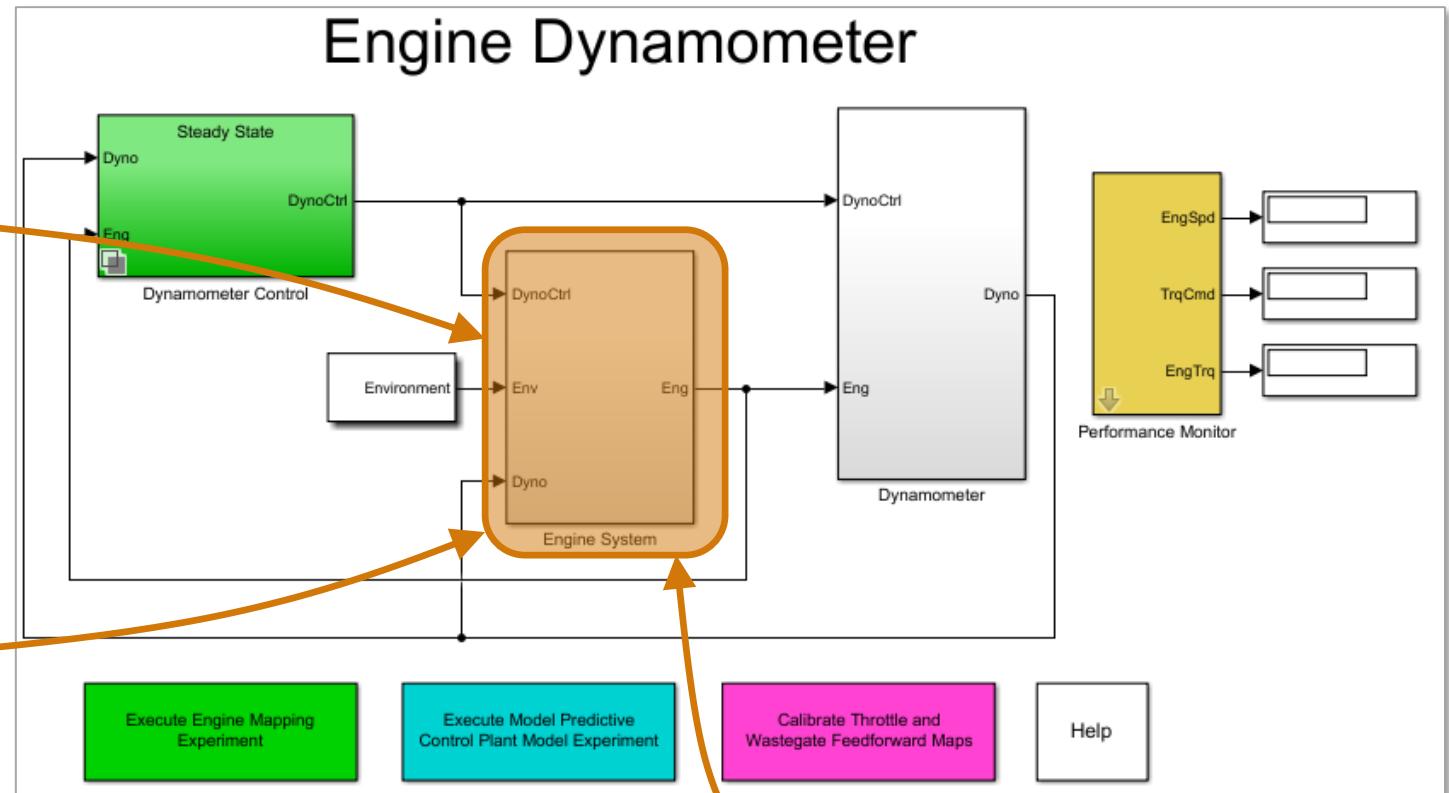
Flexible Testing Framework



Use Powertrain Blockset mapped engine blocks with your own data

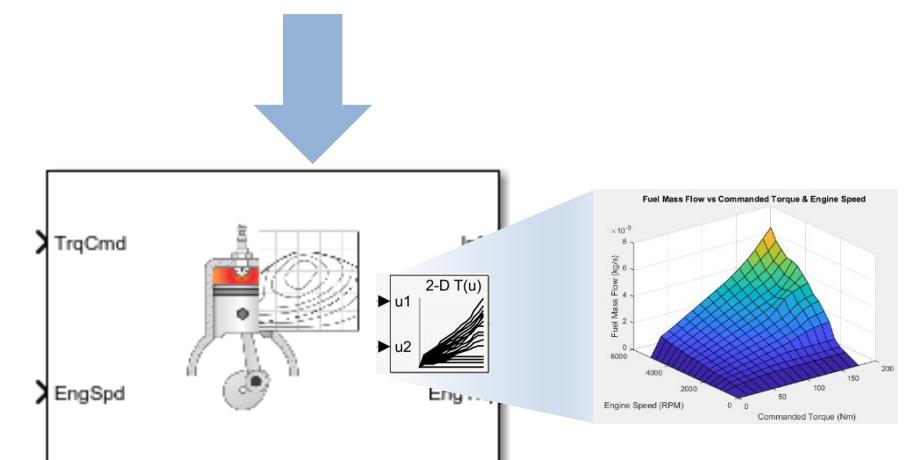
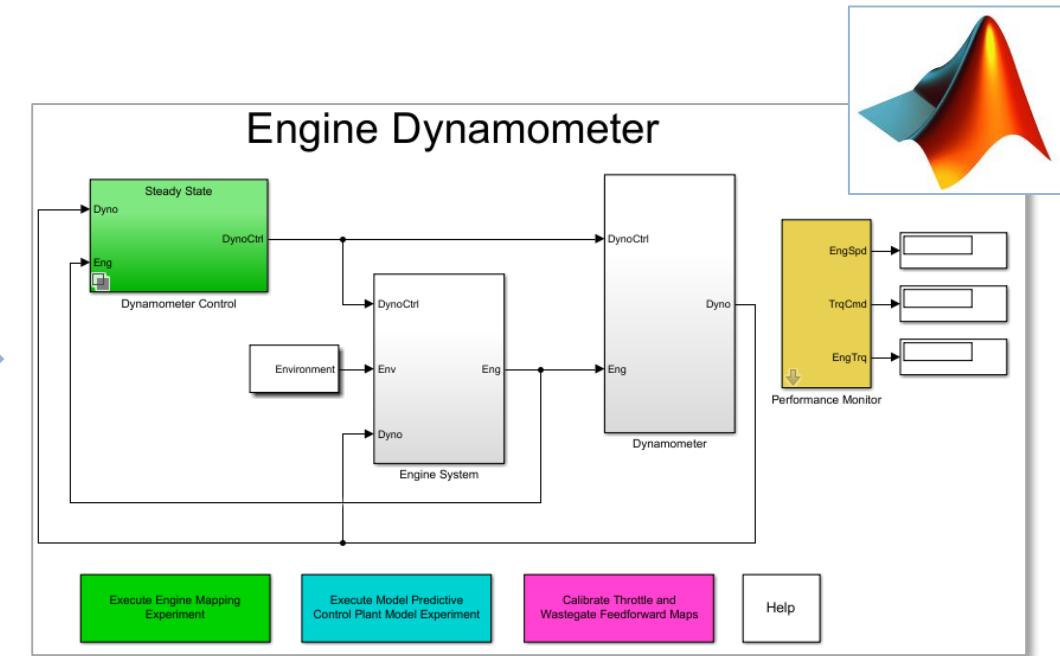
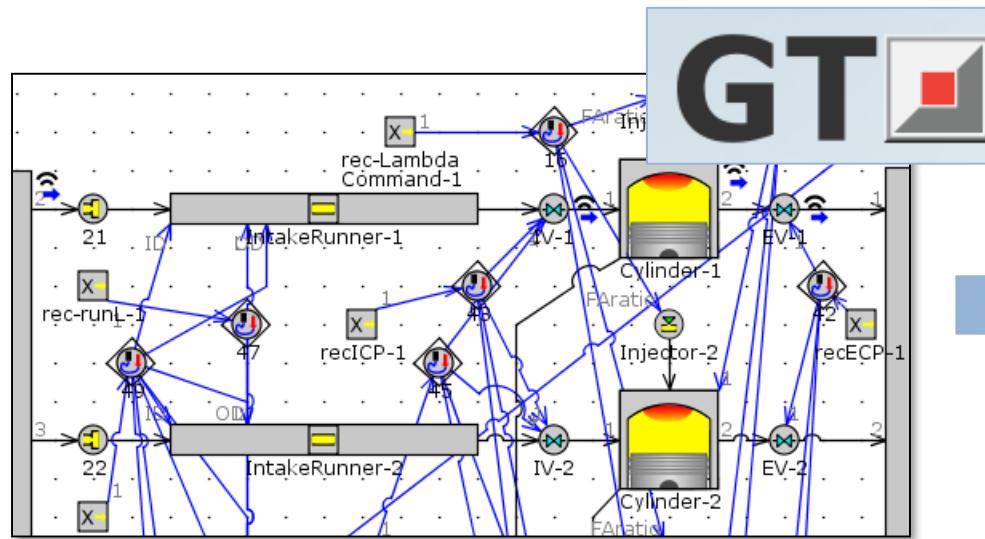


Create custom engine models using Powertrain Blockset library components



Connect in your own CAE model (e.g., GT-POWER)

Controls-oriented Model Creation



Fast, but accurate controls-oriented model

Engine Control Design / Calibration

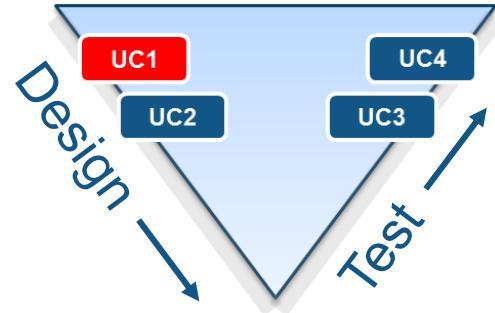
- Gather “as calibrated” engine maps
- Automatically calibrate throttle / wastegate
- Define and simulate custom calibration procedures
- Generate engine maps from CAE models

How cool is that?

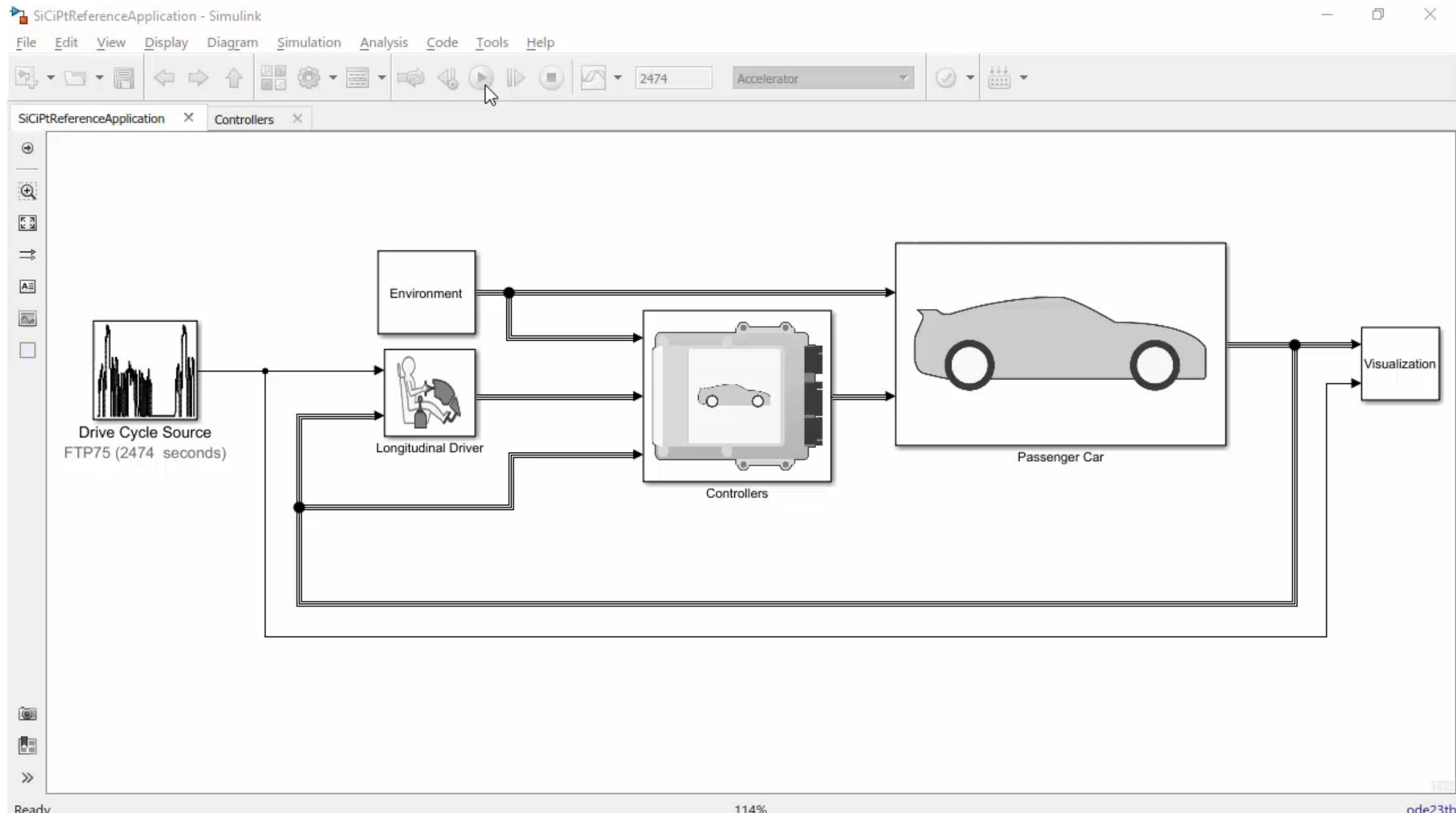


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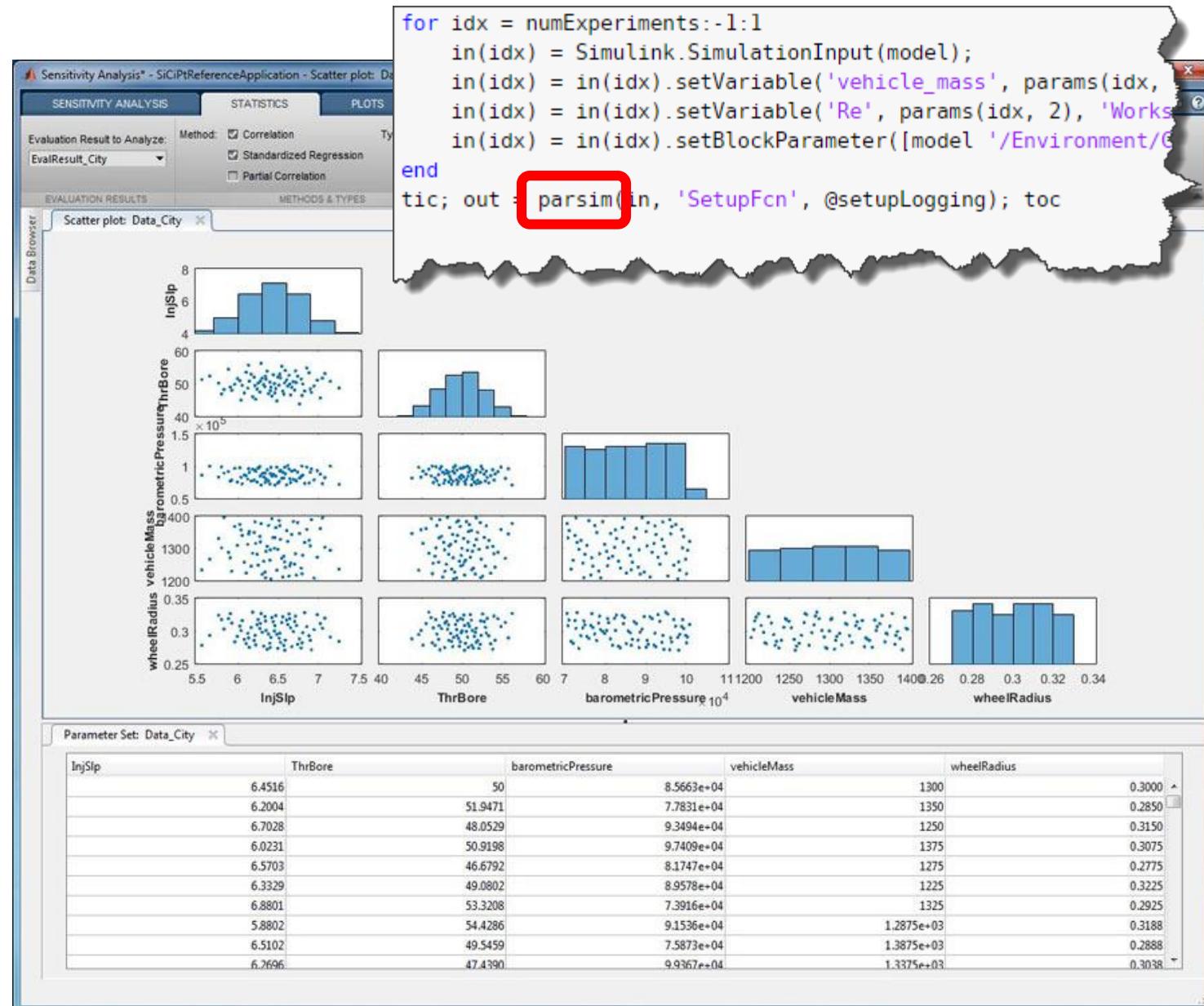


FTP75 Simulation



Sensitivity Analysis

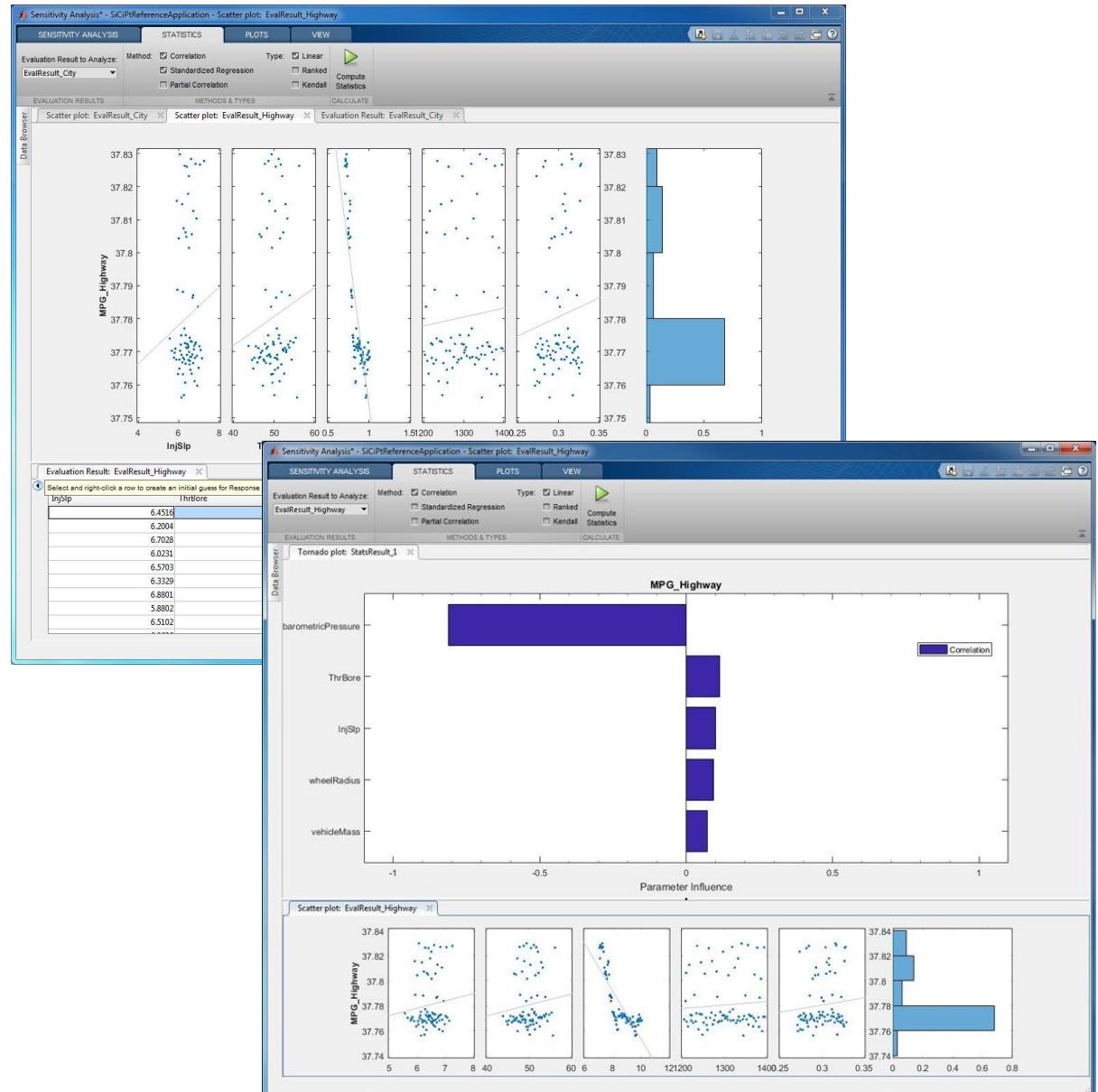
- Determine sensitivity of the fuel economy to changes in design parameters
- Configure Monte Carlo simulations using Simulink Design Optimization's graphical interface
 - Create sample sets using random & pseudo-random techniques
 - Define behaviors of interest in the model
- Speed up performance using parallel computing
 - Local: Parallel Computing Toolbox
 - Cluster: MATLAB Distributed Computing Server



Sensitivity Analysis Results

City Cycle

- High variation in fuel economy for variations in wheel radius, vehicle mass, and other parameters
- High sensitivity to variation in wheel radius and injector slope values



Highway Cycle

- Low variation in fuel economy for variations in wheel radius, vehicle mass, and other parameters
- High sensitivity to variation in barometric pressure, but little else

Fuel economy sensitivity

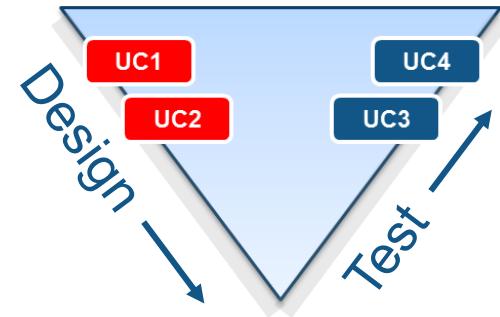
- Run fuel economy, emissions and performance simulations at 50 – 100x real time
- Perform Monte Carlo studies to analyze sensitivity
- Use parallel computing to accelerate the process

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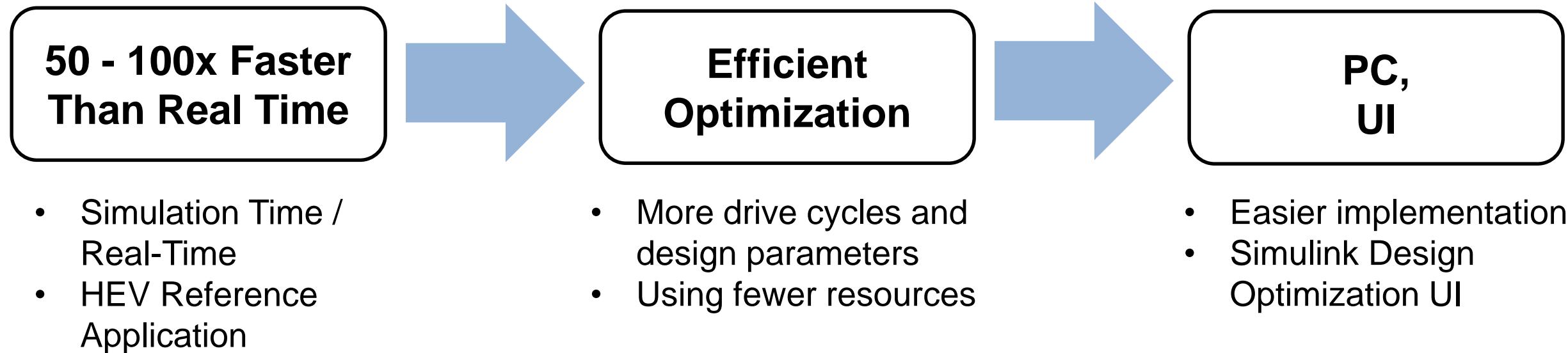


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Powertrain Blockset Enables Accessible Optimization Capabilities



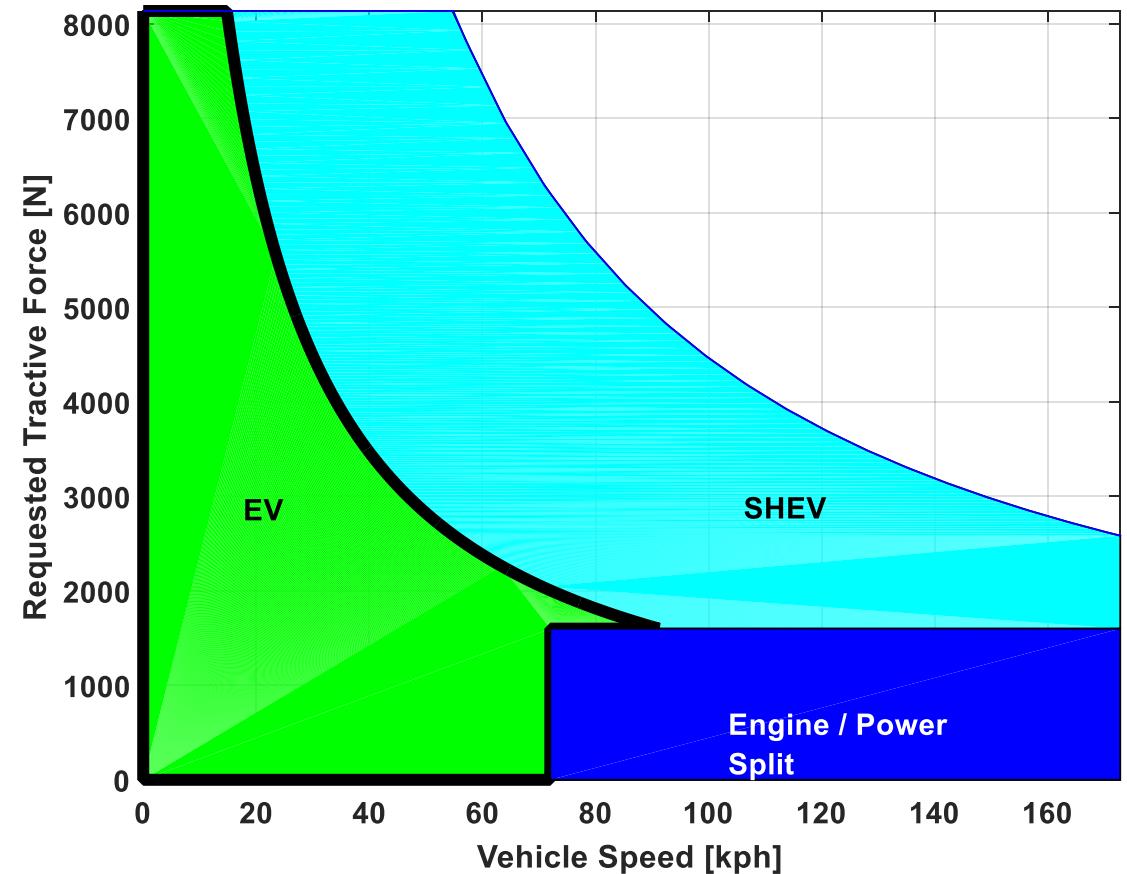
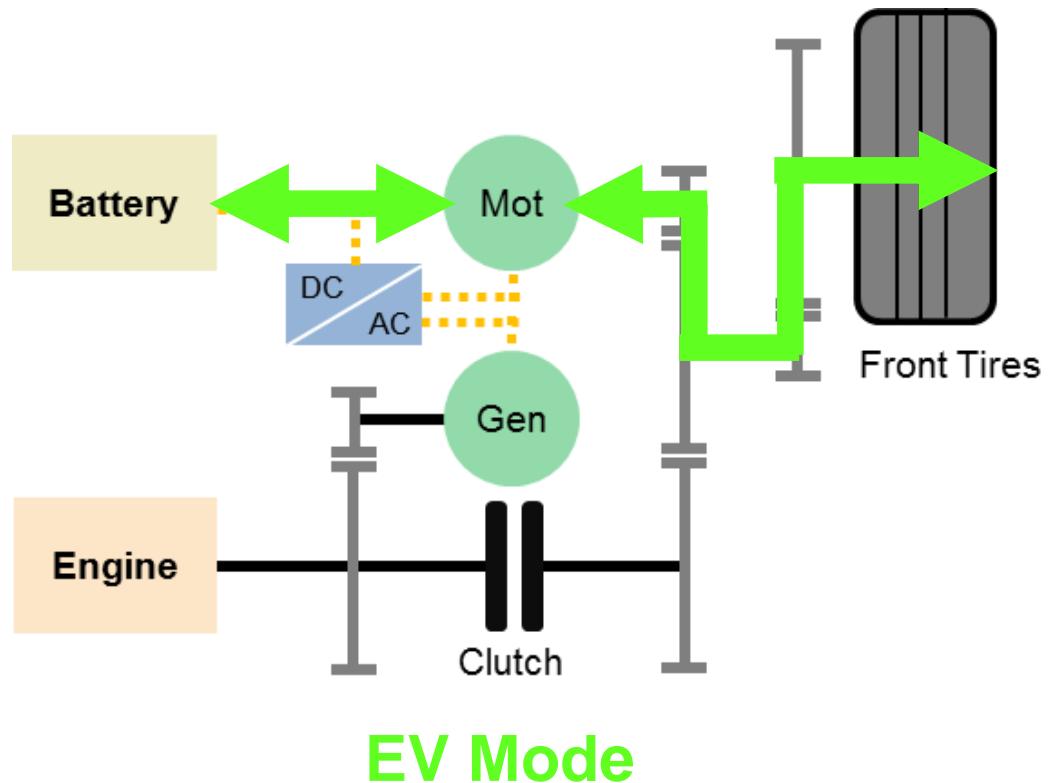
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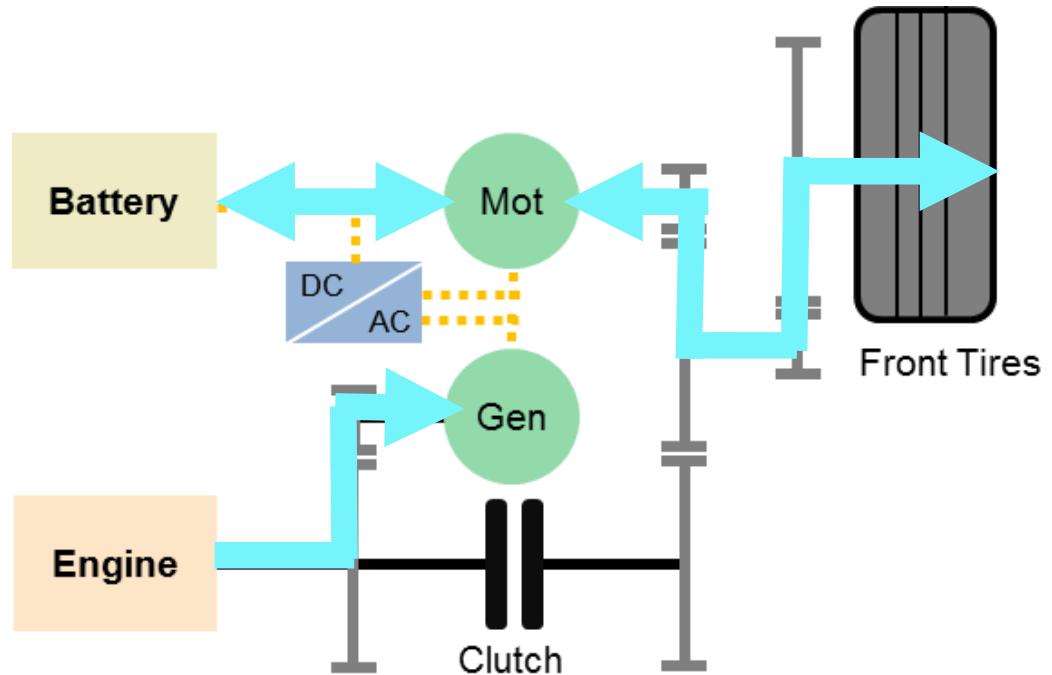
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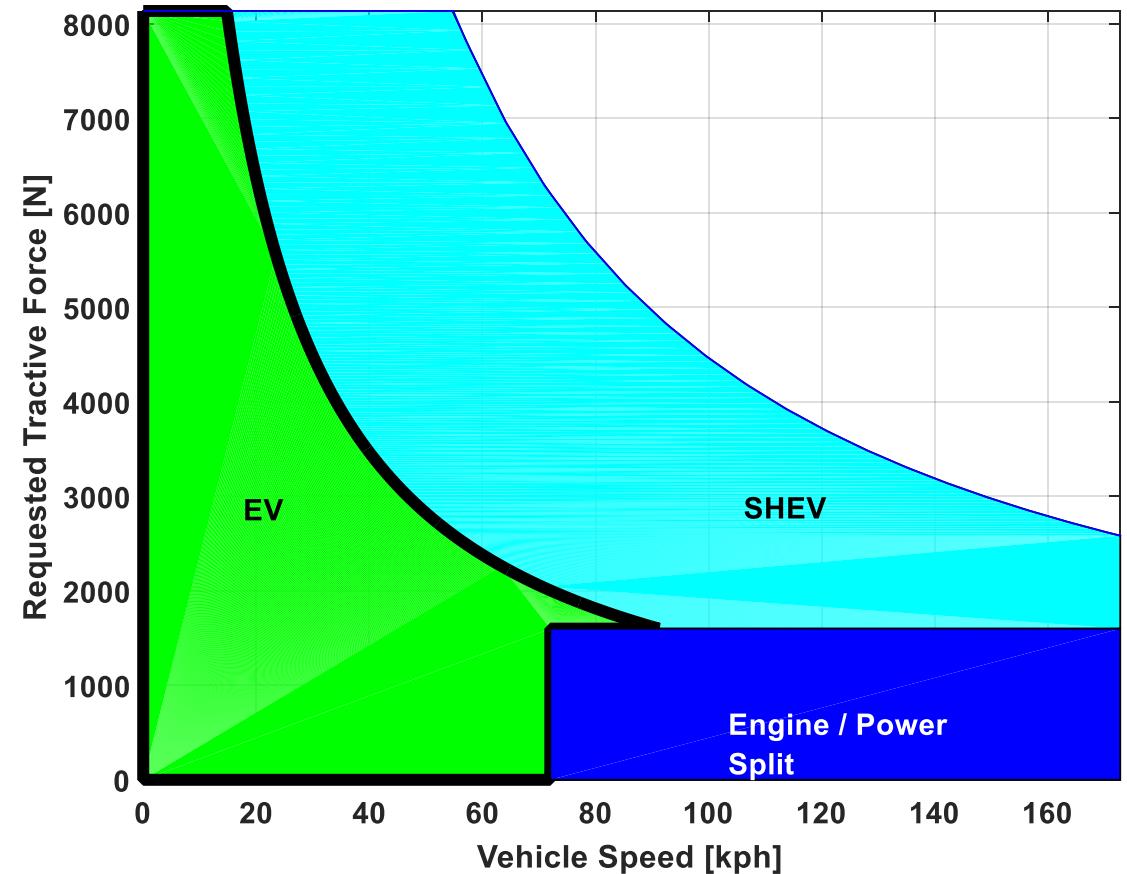
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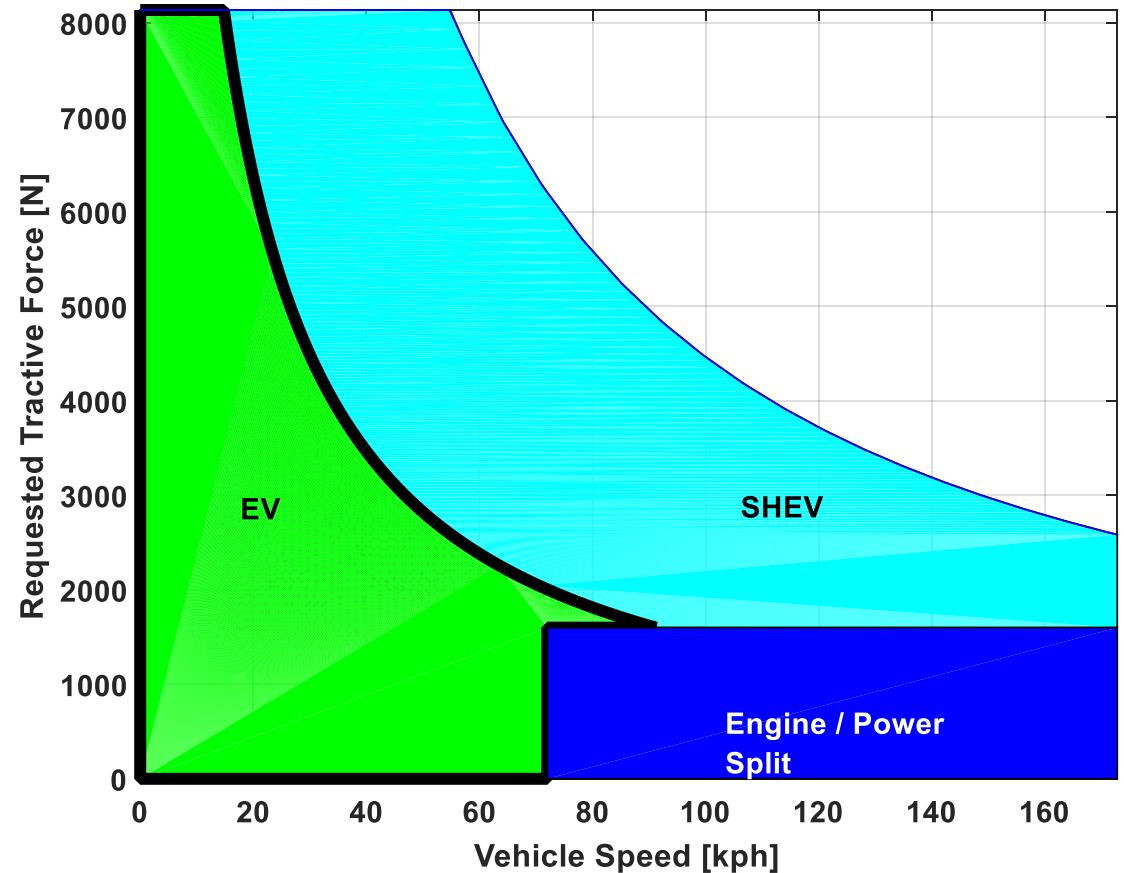
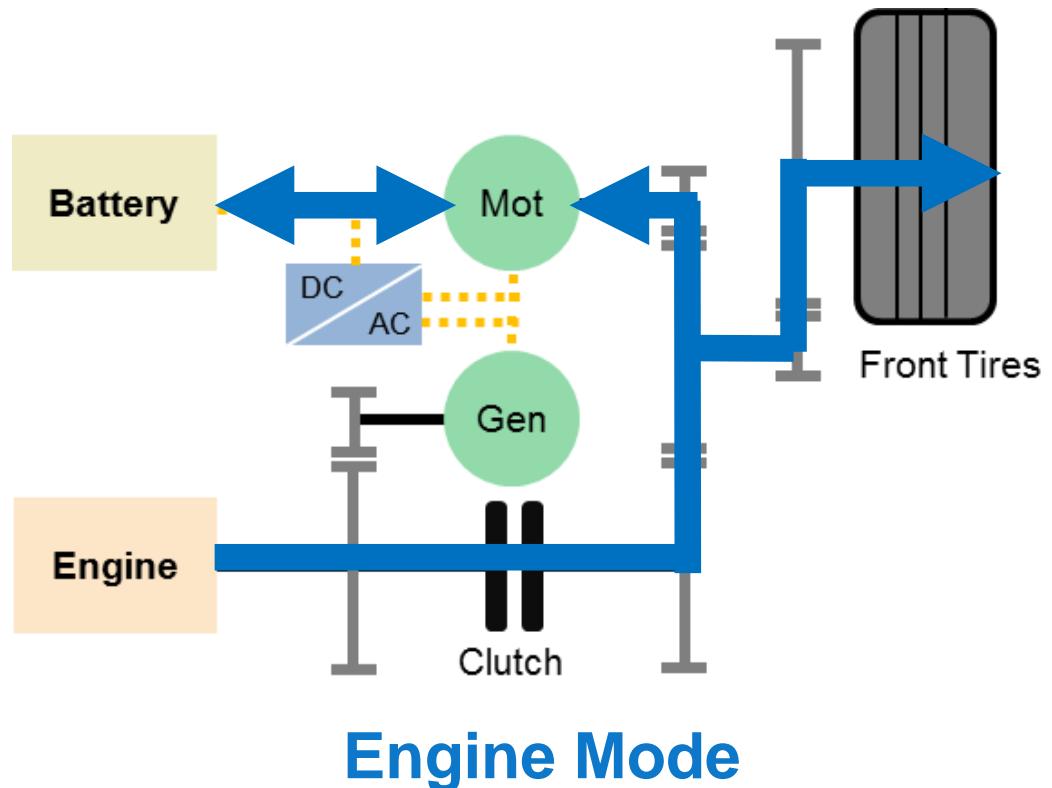
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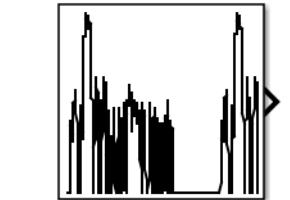


Design Optimization Problem Statement

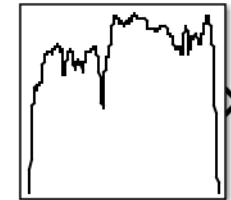
- Maximize MPGe
 - FTP75 and HWFET
 - Weighted MPGe = $0.55(\text{FTP75}) + 0.45(\text{HWFET})$

- Optimize Parameters:
 - 5 control parameters
 - EV, SHEV, Engine mode boundaries
 - 1 hardware parameter
 - Final differential ratio

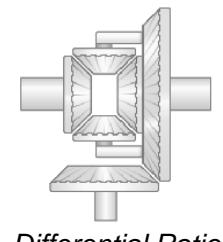
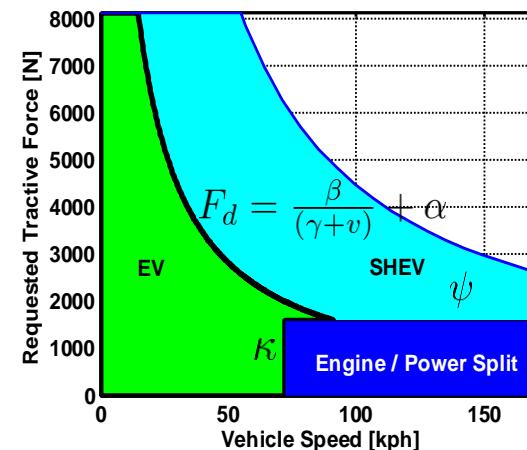
- Use PC
 - Simulink Design Optimization (SDO)
 - Parallel Computing Toolbox (PCT)



Drive Cycle Source1
FTP75 (2474 seconds)



Drive Cycle Source
HWFET (765 seconds)



Differential Ratio

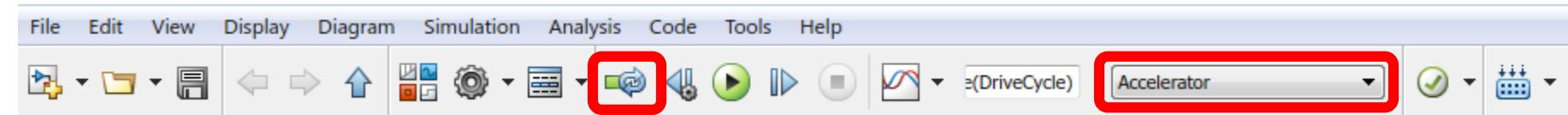


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Dual Core i7 2.60GHz
12 GB RAM

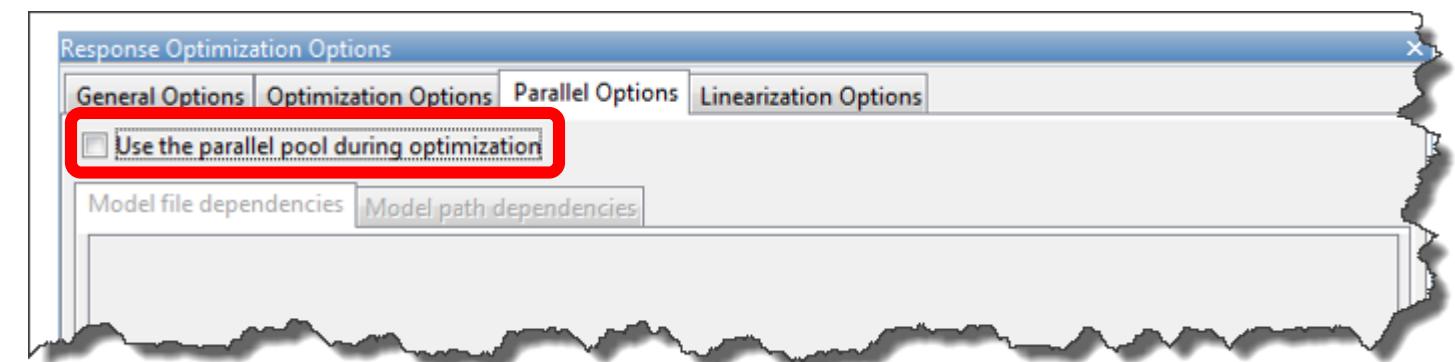
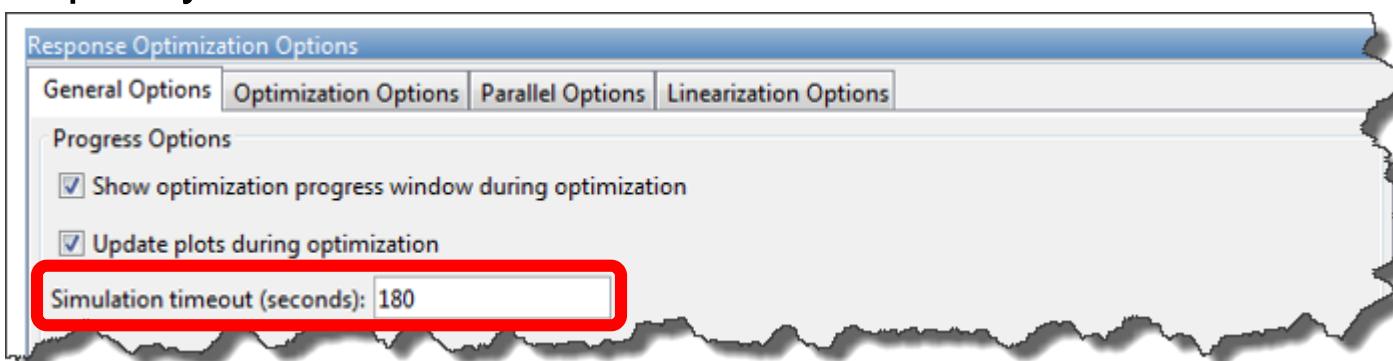
Simulink Design Optimization

- Speed Up Best practices

- Accelerator mode
 - Fast Restart
 - Use Parallel Computing Toolbox

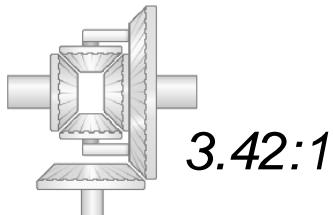
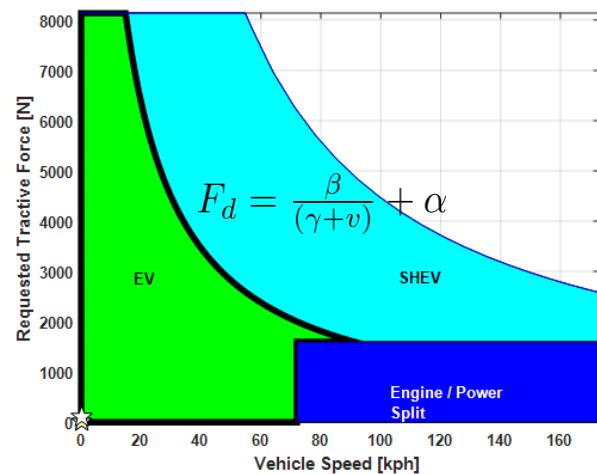


- Specify Simulation timeout

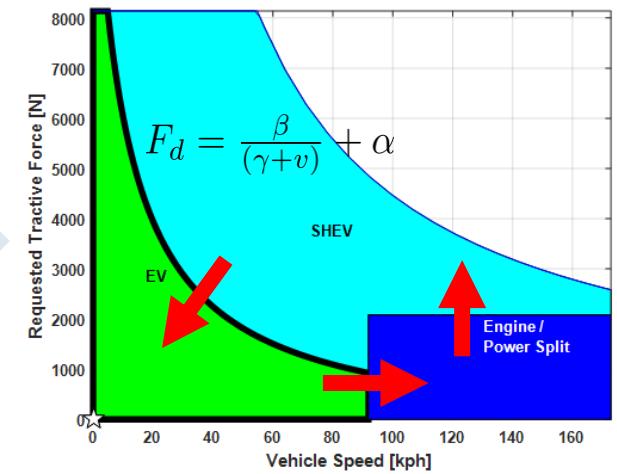


Optimization Results

Simulink Design Optimization → Response Optimization



~ 12 Hours



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Design optimization studies

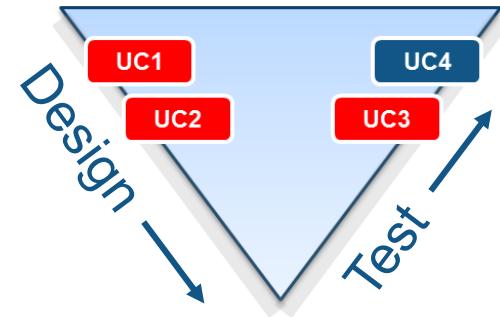
- Define Design Optimization studies with minimal setup effort
- Enable parallel computing with a simple checkbox
- Perform Design Optimization studies overnight on your laptop

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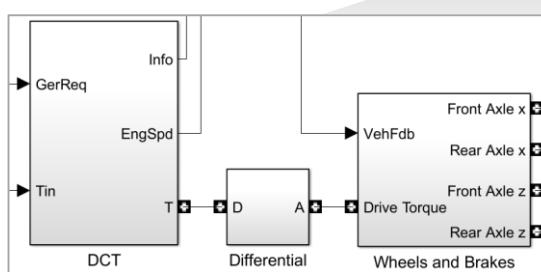
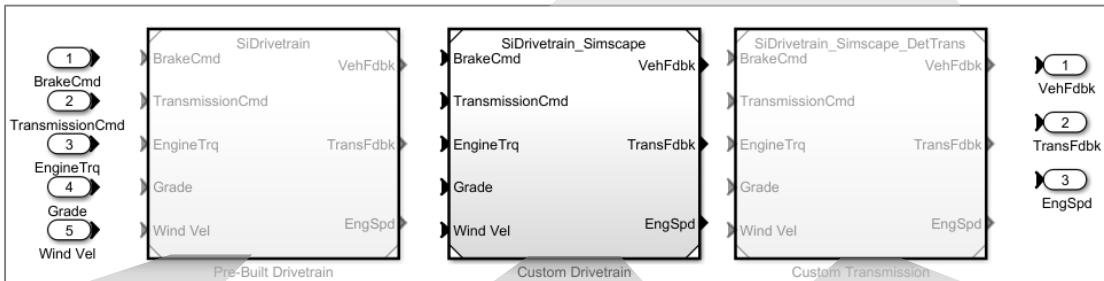
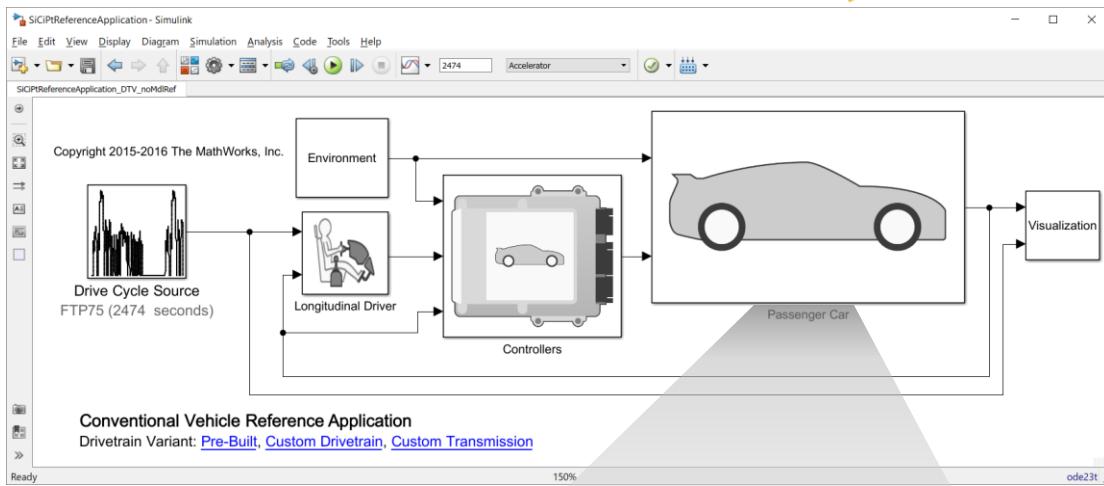
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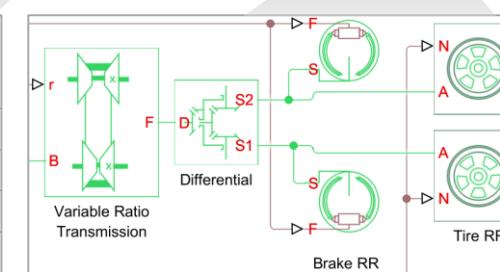


Custom Drivetrain or Transmission

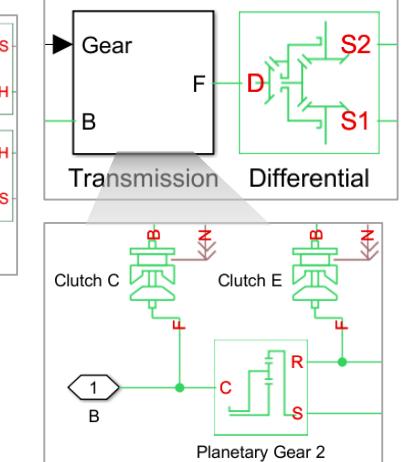
- Replace portions of reference application with custom models assembled from Simscape libraries
- Use Variant Subsystems to shift back and forth based on current simulation task



Pre-Built Drivetrain



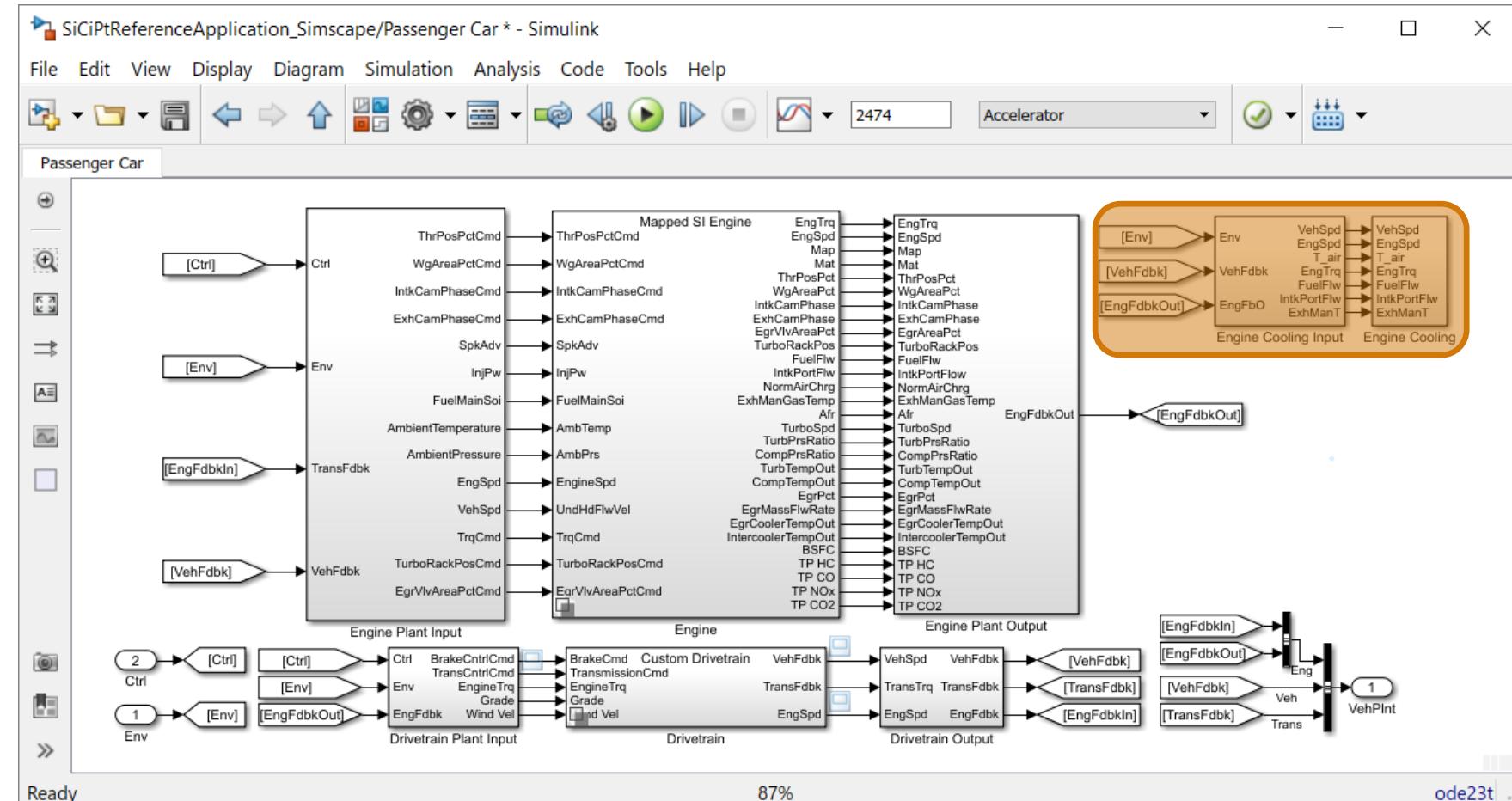
Custom Drivetrain



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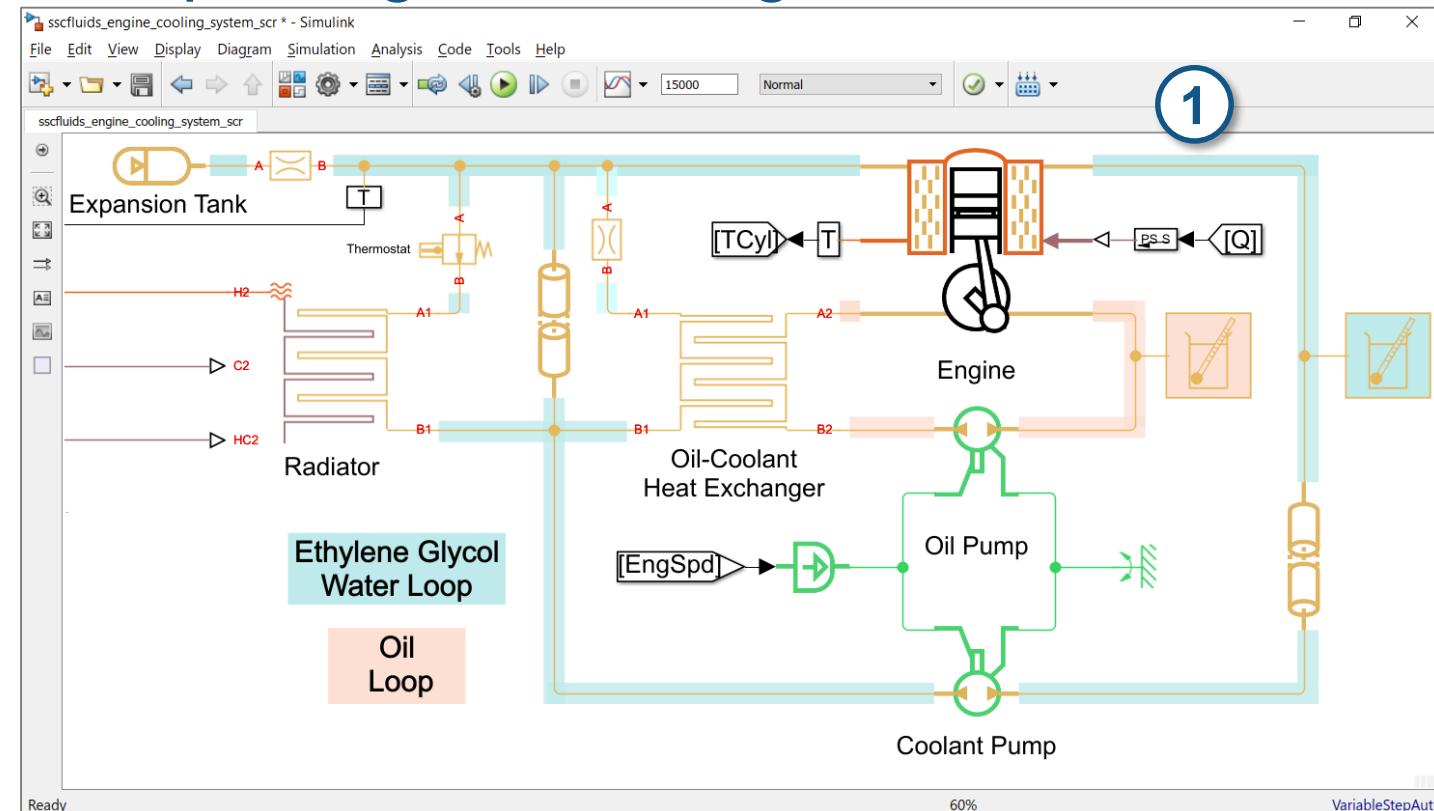
Engine Cooling System

- Take customization one step further
- Start with “Custom Driveline” variant
- Add Engine Cooling subsystem adapted from **sscfuids_engine_cooling_system**

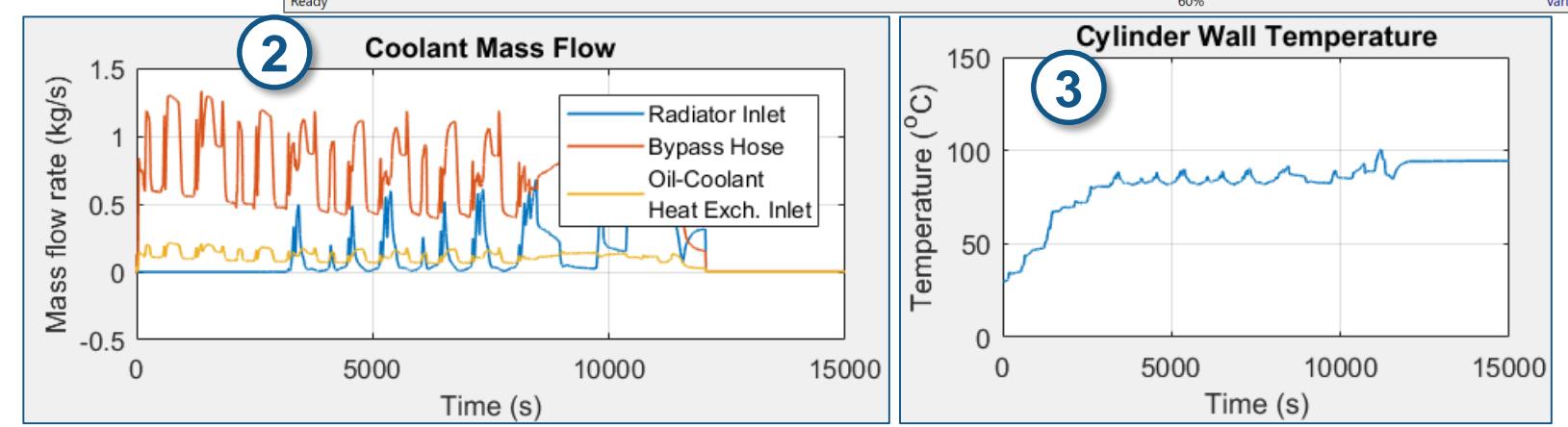


Conventional Vehicle with Simscape Engine Cooling

1. Heat rejection calculation
2. Heat distributed between oil and coolant
3. Temperature of cylinder used to validate cooling system performance



Local Solver enabled
for faster simulation



Multidomain simulation via Simscape

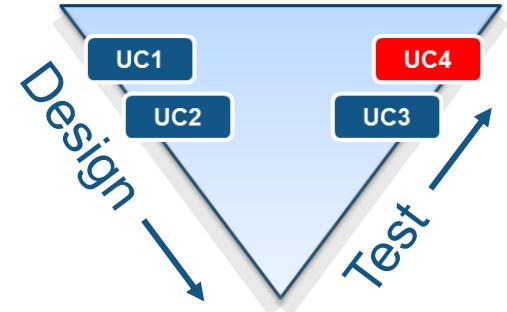
- Create detailed, multi-domain subsystem models with Simscape
- Incorporate them into system level vehicle models from Powertrain Blockset
- Validate subsystem performance with closed loop simulation

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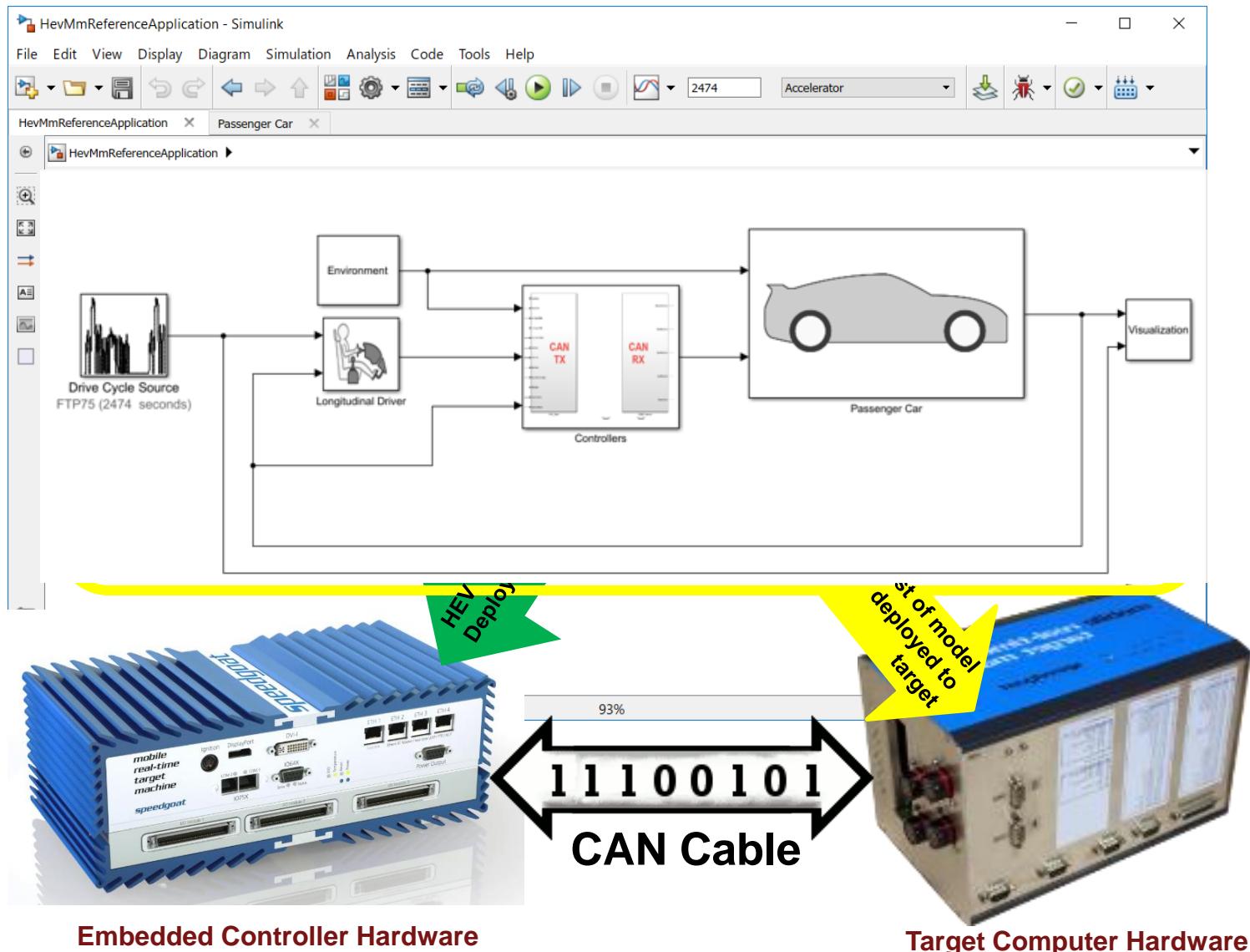


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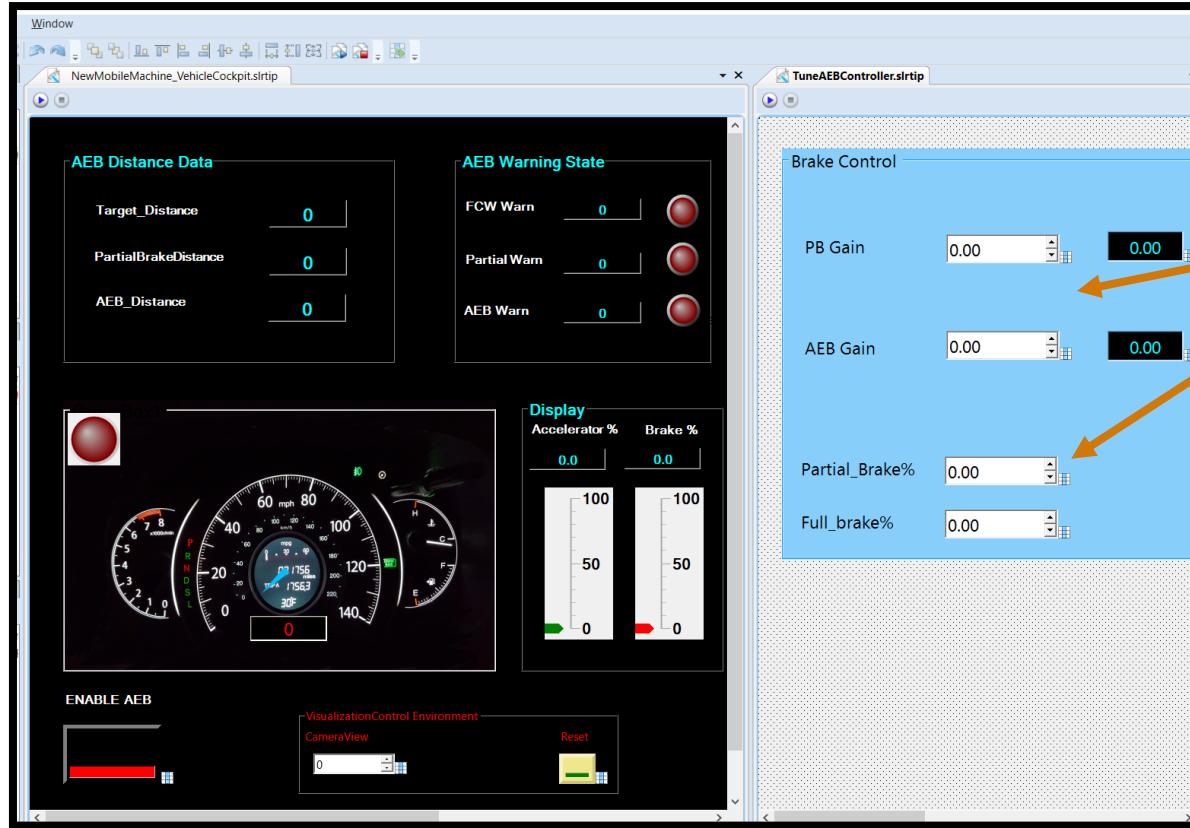
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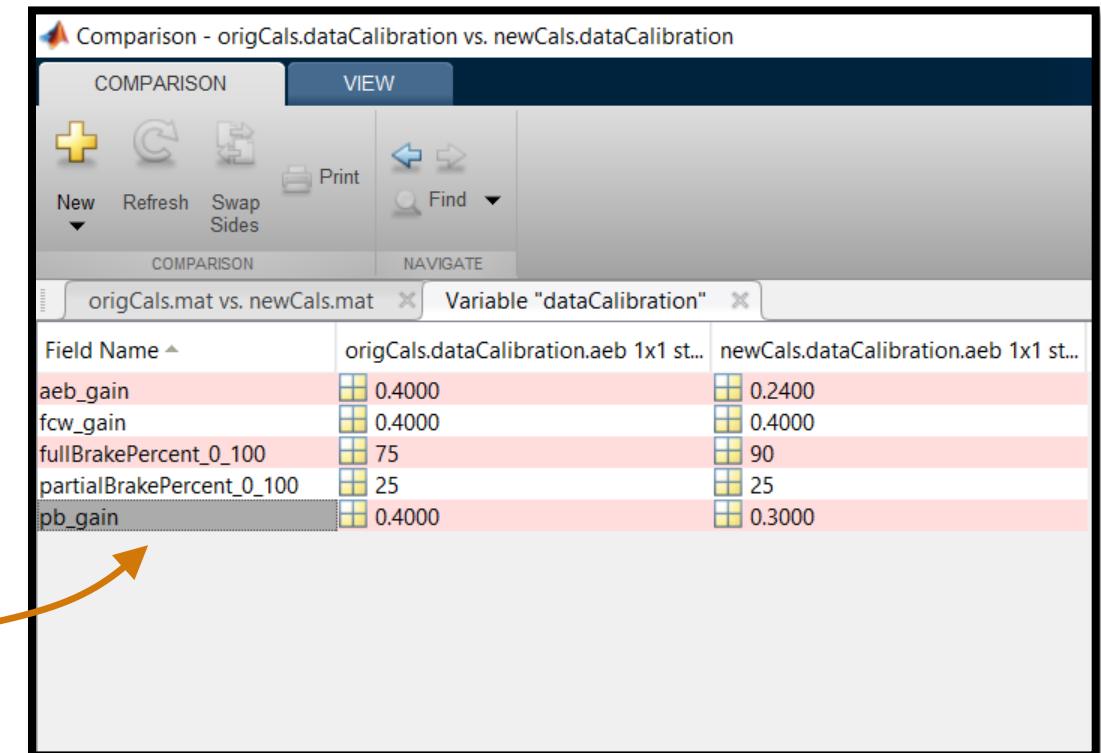
HIL Testing with Powertrain Blockset HEV Model



Easily Tune Parameters in Real Time and Save Calibrations



Calibrate parameters at run time in
Simulink Real-Time Explorer



Use Simulink Real-Time API to
save and compare calibrations
directly from MATLAB

Hardware-in-the-loop (HIL) testing

- Validate control algorithm before physical prototypes are available
- Reuse the same vehicle models across the V-cycle
- Tune parameters in real time
- Setup a HIL test in a few hours

How cool is that?



Summary

- With Powertrain Blockset, you can perform Model-Based Design on your automotive systems with a single, seamlessly integrated environment
 - Engine control design / calibration
 - Fuel economy sensitivity
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 - Multidomain simulation via Simscape
 - Hardware-in-the-loop (HIL) testing



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