

# Model-Based Design for Sensor Systems

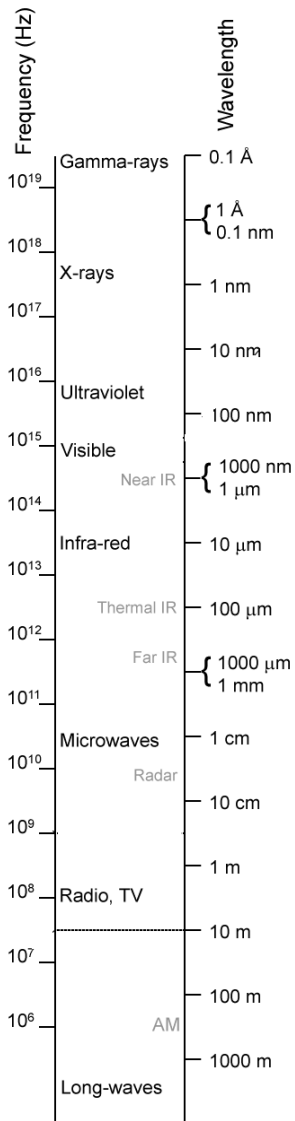
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- Sensor Systems Overview
- System Level Design Challenges
- Components of Sensor Systems
  - Sensor Characterization and Calibration
  - Signal Processing Design and Implementation
  - Data Processing & Analysis

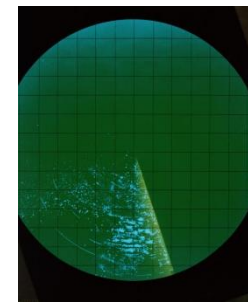
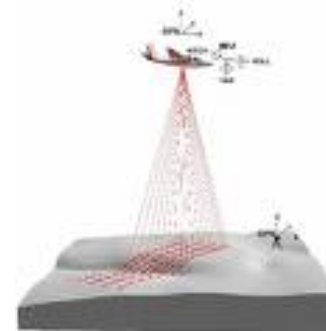
# Sensor Classes



- X-Ray
- Optical
- Infrared
- Laser
- Electro-Magnetic
- Sonar
- Radar

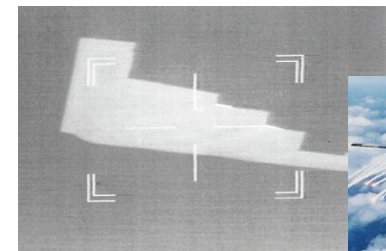


Hyper-Spectral



# Sensing Applications

- Platforms
  - Naval
  - Space
  - Airborne
  
- Applications
  - Surveillance
  - Target Tracking
  - Reconnaissance



# Sensor System Components



Sensor



Embedded Signal  
Processing



Analysis

# Sensor System Development: Component Tasks



## Sensor Characterization & Calibration

Fully understand sensor and its impact on signal processing and analysis.

## Signal Processing Design & Implementation

Design system to read signals, process data, and present data to analysis algorithms.

## Data Processing & Analysis

Perform intended function (identify, track, etc)

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# System Level Tasks



- System integration
- System level debugging
- Test overall system against requirements



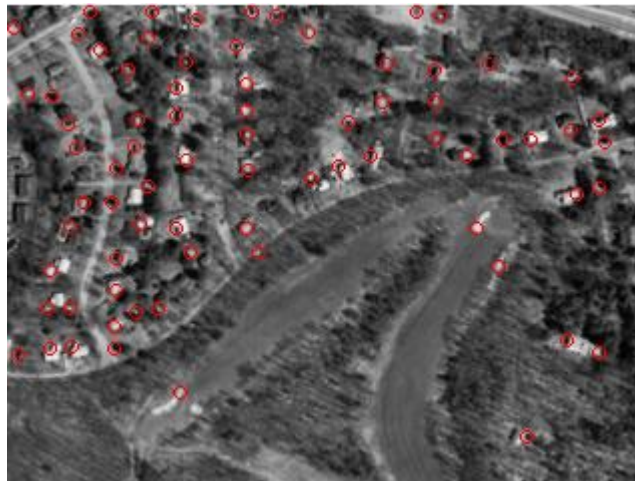
# System Level Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Find errors early	
Reduce dependency on SW and HW engineers for testing	
Speed up design iterations	
Meet requirements	

# Demo: Sensor System

Video Mosaicking of Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) imagery



# System Level Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Find errors early	Simulate complete system before deploying to hardware
Reduce dependency on SW and HW engineers for testing	Automatic Code Generation, Link Products, Target Products
Speed up design iterations	Single environment for all phases
Meet requirements	Verification tools link design to requirements

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## Sensor Characterization & Calibration Tasks



- Noise Characterization
- Spectral Response
- Parameterization (bandwidth, response time, etc)
- Color Calibration

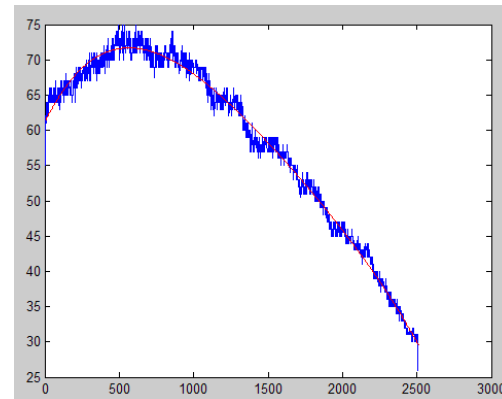
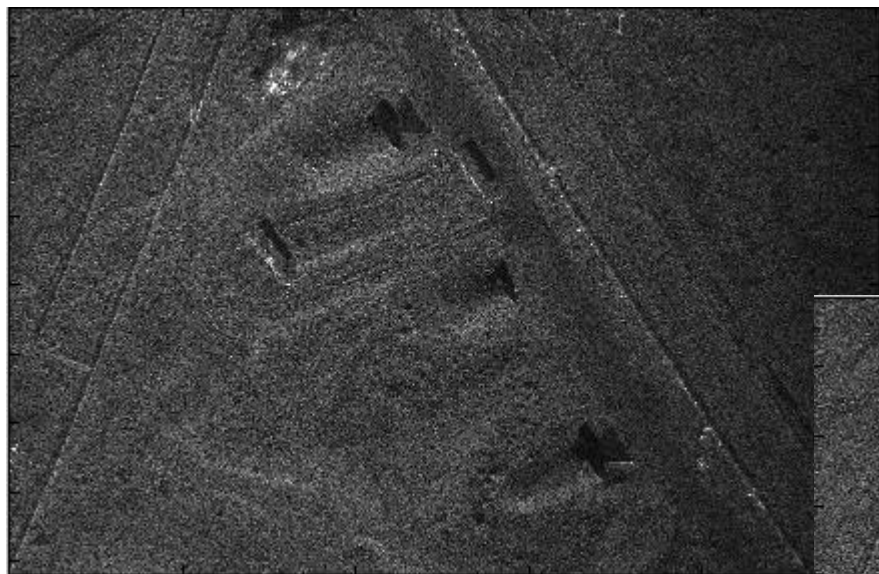
# Sensor Characterization & Calibration Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Quickly obtain sensor data	
Sensor characterization	
Design tests for analyzing sensors	
Analyze large data sets	
Automate tests	

# Demo: Sensor Characterization & Calibration

Analysis of Antenna Roll-Off effects of Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) imagery



# Sensor Characterization & Calibration Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Quickly obtain sensor data	Image and Data Acquisition Tools
Sensor characterization	System Identification, Curve Fitting, etc
Design tests for analyzing sensors	Statistics Toolbox - Design of Experiments
Analyze large data sets	MATLAB, Statistics, Parallel Computing ,etc
Automate tests	MATLAB, Image and Data Acquisition



# Signal Processing Tasks



- Sensor correction
  - Lens distortion
  - Gamma correction
  - Dead pixel correction
- Data reduction
- Optimizing for power consumption
- Fixed-point design

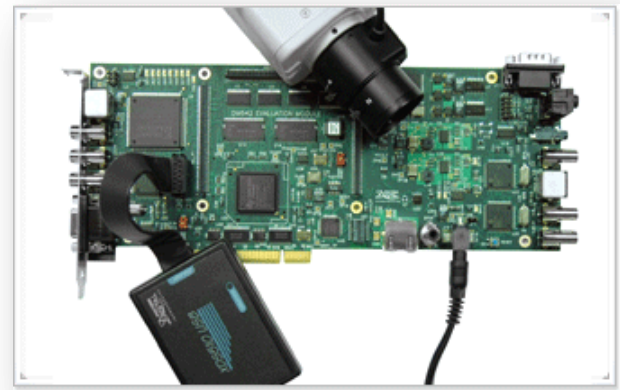
# Signal Processing Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Reduce time on verifying algorithms and filters	
Analyze algorithmic and performance tradeoffs	
Understand implementation effects	
Make implementation decisions before requirements are final	

# Demo: Signal Processing

Analysis of Antenna Roll-off correction algorithm



# Signal Processing Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Reduce time on verifying algorithms and filters	Pre-packaged and tested algorithms and filter design tools
Analyze algorithmic and performance tradeoffs	Simulate and prototype algorithms
Understand implementation effects	Simulate effects of sample times & data types
Make implementation decisions before requirements are final	Quickly investigate and prototype architectures and hardware choices

# High Level Analysis Tasks



- Target Detection
- Geo-referencing
- Tracking
- Sensor Fusion
- Classification

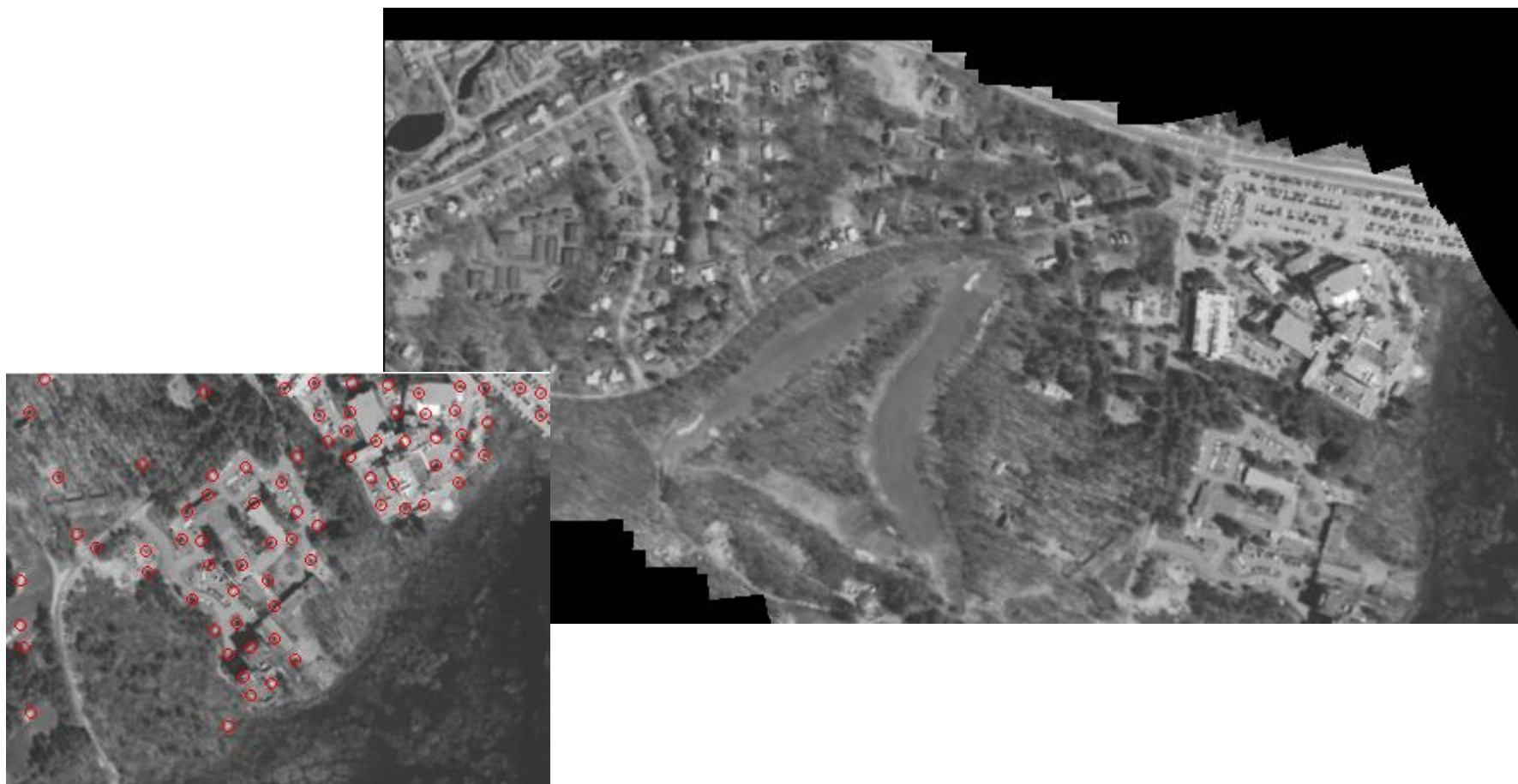
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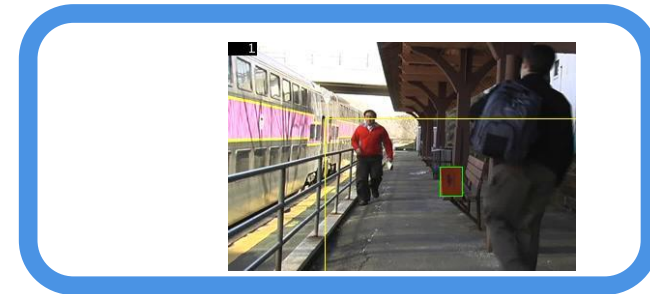
Challenges	Solutions
Avoid re-implementing standard image and video processing routines	
Test image processing algorithms and classification routines together	
Avoid use of multiple environments for each source in sensor fusion problems	
Reduce reliance on SW/HW engineers in order to test algorithms	

# Demo: Higher Level Analysis

## Video Mosaicking



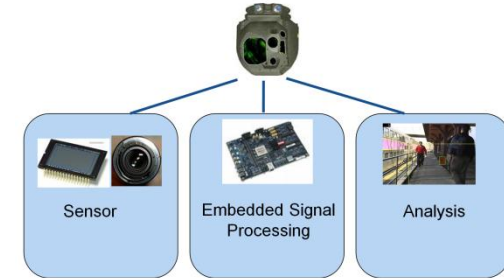
# High Level Analysis Challenges



Challenges	Solutions
Avoid re-implementing image and video processing routines	Pre-packaged Image, Video, and Signal Processing Libraries
Test image processing algorithms and classification routines together	Statistical and Neural Network capabilities
Avoid use of multiple environments for each source in sensor fusion problems	Single environment for multiple sensor sources
Reduce reliance on SW/HW engineers in order to test algorithms	Desktop and real-time prototyping with Image Acquisition and Code Generation



# Summary



- Single environment for all design stages
- Fully understand sensor before moving to design
- Quickly develop signal processing and analysis algorithms
- Prototype faster with desktop and real-time prototyping
- Fully understand design before moving to implementation