

Hardware Software Co-Design and Testing Using Simulink® Real-Time™

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Process Development

- Introduction to THALES
- Overview of design process
- Development of autocode capability

Real Time Testing for the Lightweight Multirole Missile

- Guidance and control algorithm design
- Guidance and control algorithm implementation
- Guidance and control algorithm testing

THALES in the UK



Aerospace

Avionics Systems
Air Traffic Management
In-Flight Entertainment
Electrical Systems
Training and Simulation



Defence

Radar
Watchkeeper
Command and Control
Cameras and Sensors
Sonar Systems
Threat Warning
Short Range Defence



Ground Transportation

Signalling Systems
Integrated Comms & Supervision Systems
Revenue Collection Systems



Security

Secure Communication
Network & Infrastructure Systems
Protection Systems
Critical Information Systems & Cybersecurity



Space

Telecoms
Observation
Infrastructure
Navigation

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1962
SEACAT



1967
TIGERCAT



1975
BLOWPIPE



1984
JAVELIN



1989
STARBURST



1997
STARSTREAK (HVM)



1996 - 2002
HELLFIRE



2001
VT1



2002
NLAW



2008
Stormer SP



2008
RAPIDRanger



2009
FASGW



2011
LMM



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Effectors



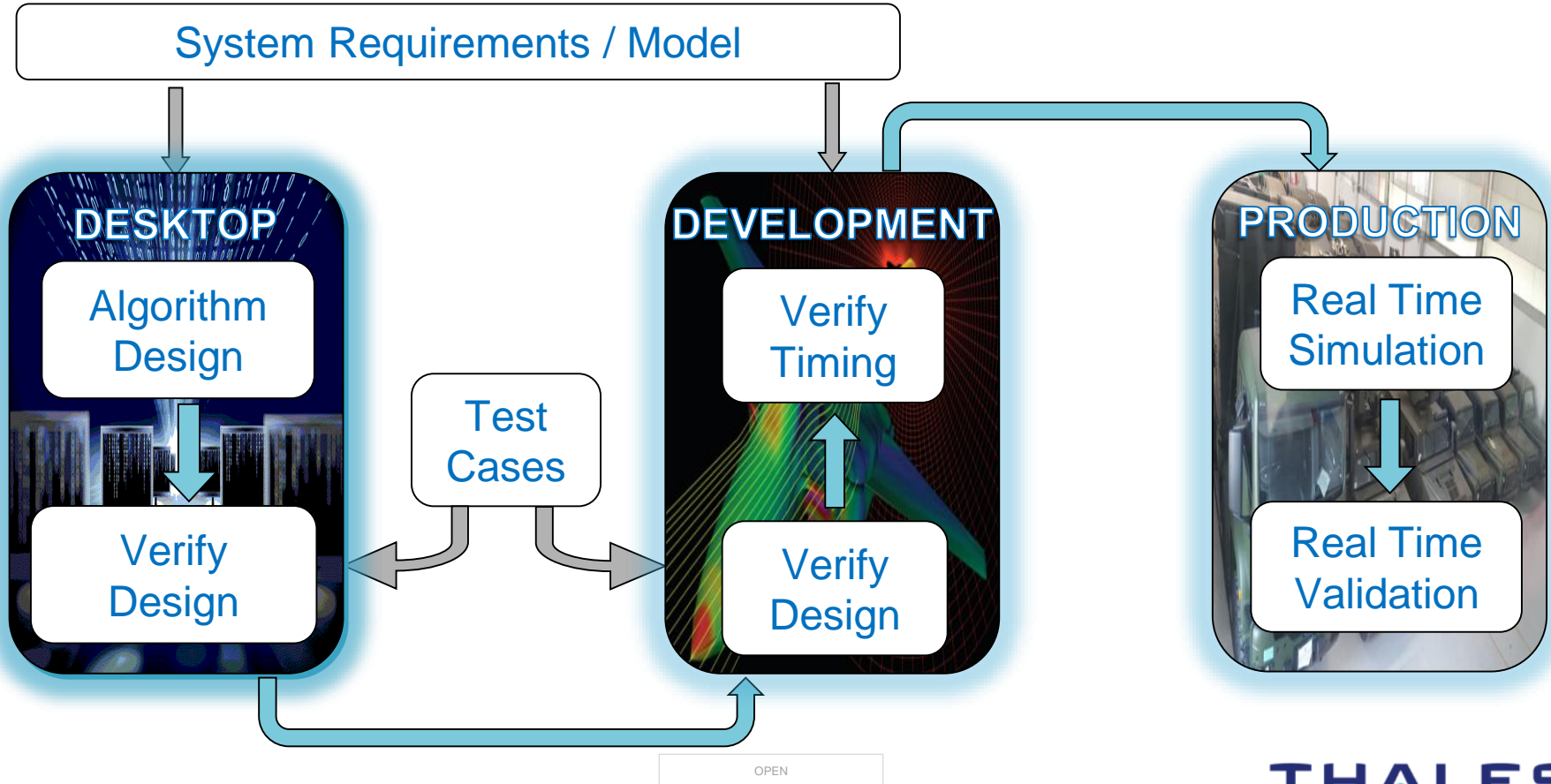
Platforms



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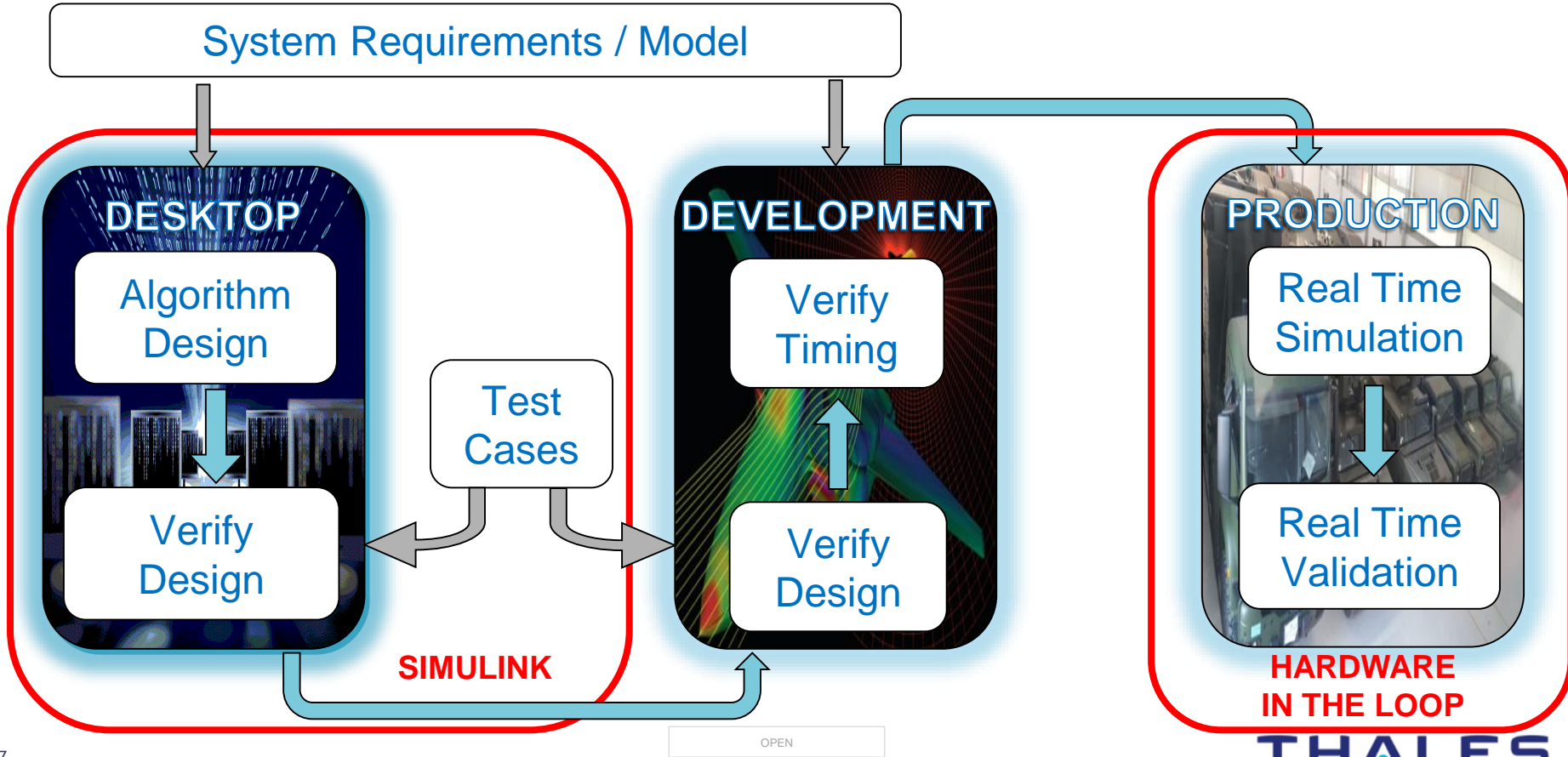


Model Based Algorithm Development



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Goals and Objectives

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Evolution of Autocoding Capability

2005: Land Based Systems

- Algorithm development for target tracking algorithm
- Implemented in C from Simulink
- Floating point C code



2007: Missile Systems

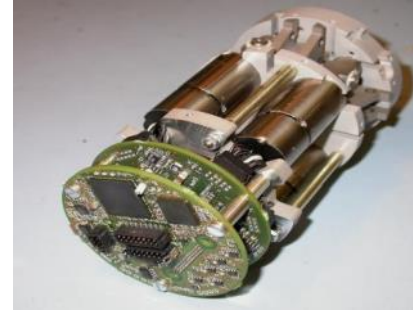
- Guidance algorithm implemented in C from Simulink
- Target-specific libraries used to optimise speed
- Fixed point C code



Evolution of Autocoding Capability

2009: Hardware/Software Partitioning

- Motor control algorithms developed in Simulink
- Autogenerated C code used to quickly prove concept
- Final solution partitioned between C and HDL



2013: FreeFall-LMM rapid development

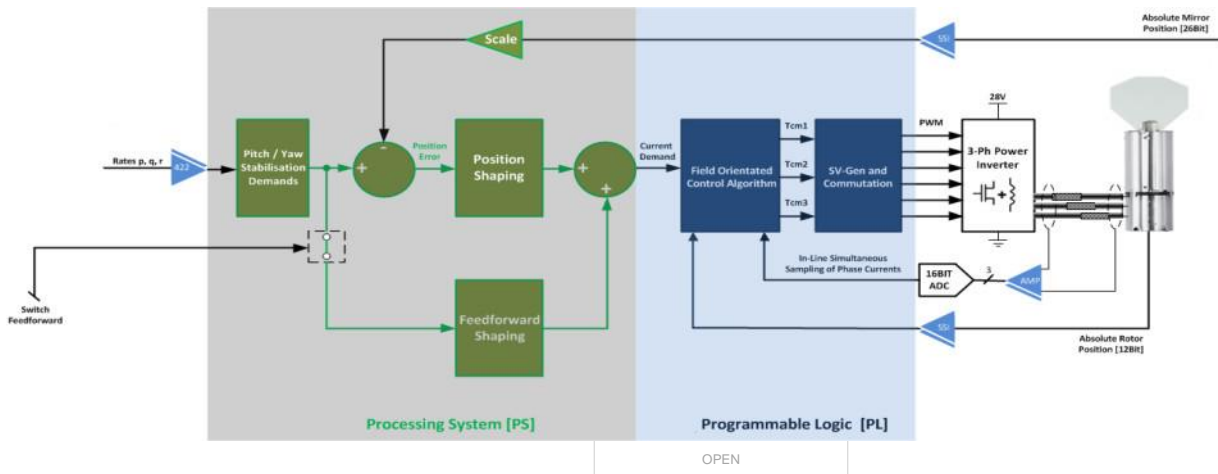
- Rapid prototyping of guidance and control algorithms
- Autogenerated C code
- 6 months development from concept to flight trials



Evolution of Autocoding Capability

2017: Next Generation Beam Steering

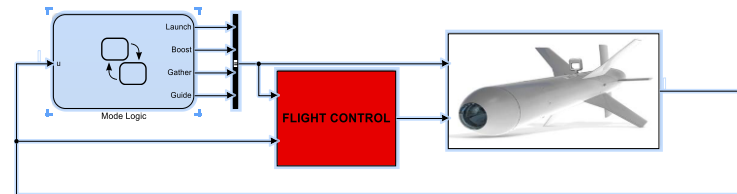
- Updated algorithms developed for new guidance unit
- μ rad positional accuracy and stabilisation error
- Autocoded algorithms ported to System on Chip
- Improved linkages between model and implementation



Evolution of Autocoding Capability – Future?

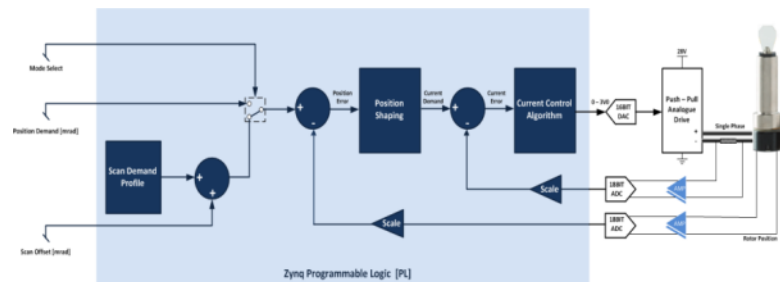
Missile state machines

- Currently using legacy state machine layer
- Bring this logic within MBD process as complexity increases



Digital laser scanning

- Very high rate (ns), high precision control
- High fidelity simulation crucial to understanding
- MBD approach essential for rapid prototyping and implementation



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LMM launch

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Guidance and control algorithm design

- (Sub)system model development
- Algorithm development
- Performance verification in non-real time Simulink 6DOF simulation
- Generate algorithm autocode (C or HDL)

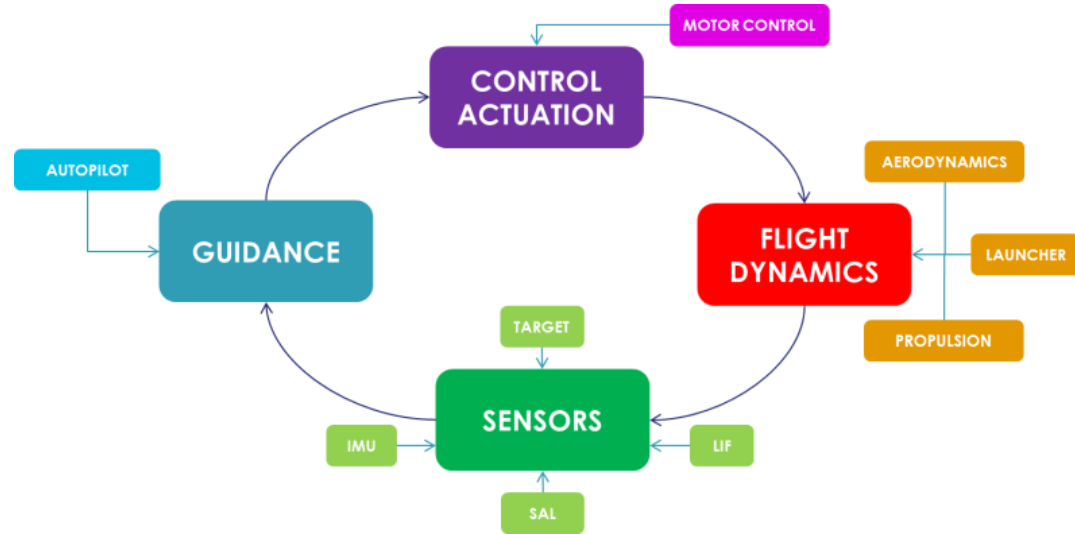
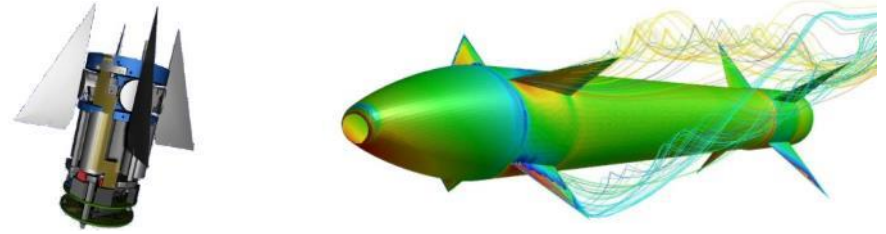
Guidance and control algorithm testing

- Real time simulator development
 - Real time 6DOF simulation
 - Hardware emulators
- Hardware in the Loop testing
- Verification and Validation

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Develop subsystem models:

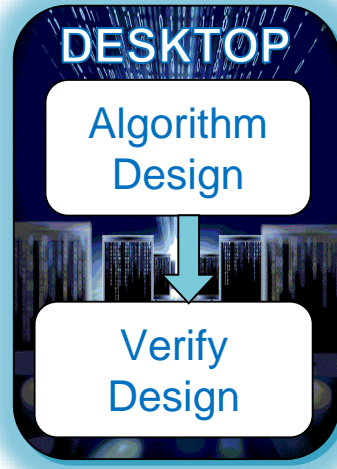
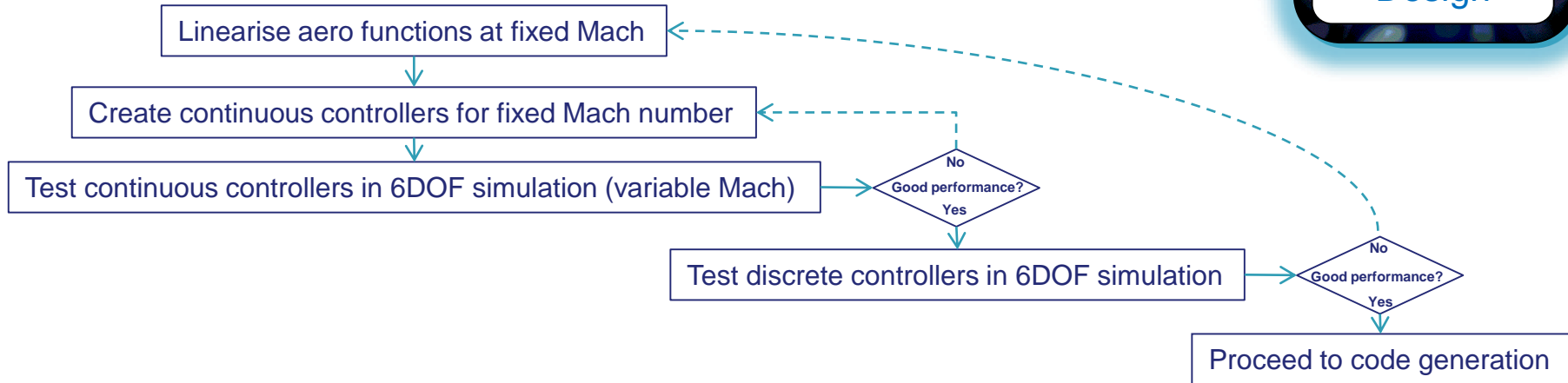
- Aerodynamics
- Structural bending
- Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU)
- Laser Information Field (LIF)
- Semi-Active laser (SAL)
- Control Actuation System (CAS)
- Rocket motor(s)
- Missile dynamics
- Canister exit model
- Launch platform
- Guidance algorithms



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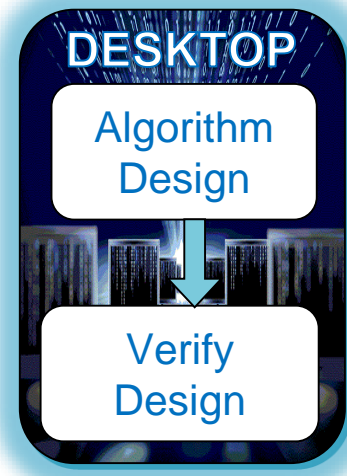
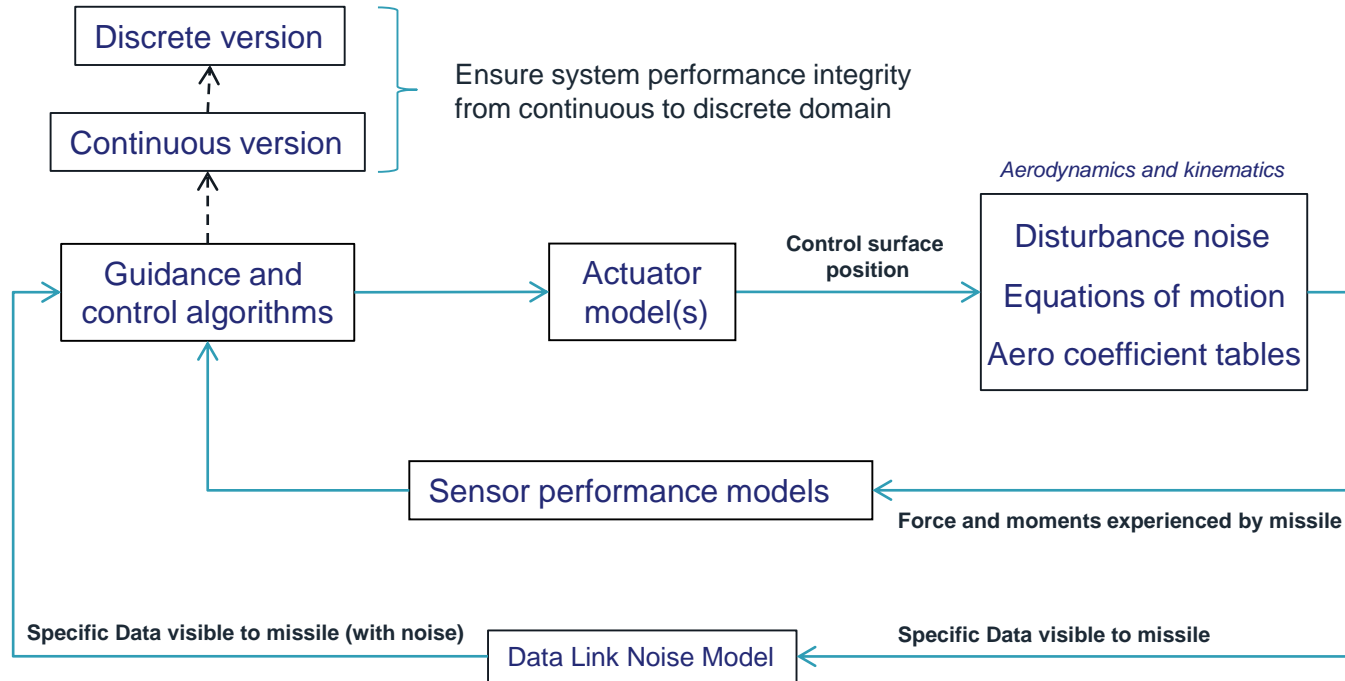
Guidance algorithm design

- Controllers developed at key operating points
- Based on a continuous linearised/idealised model
- Algorithm design iteration may be required
- Discrete versions of algorithms created
- Performance quantified in 6DOF simulation
- Iteration may be needed



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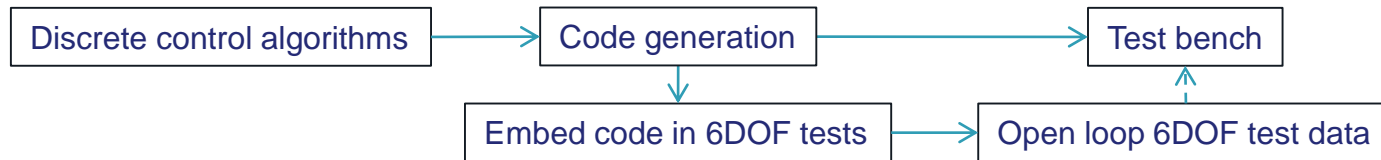
Testing in non-real time - Simulink 6DOF Simulation



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Autocode algorithms onto target - C

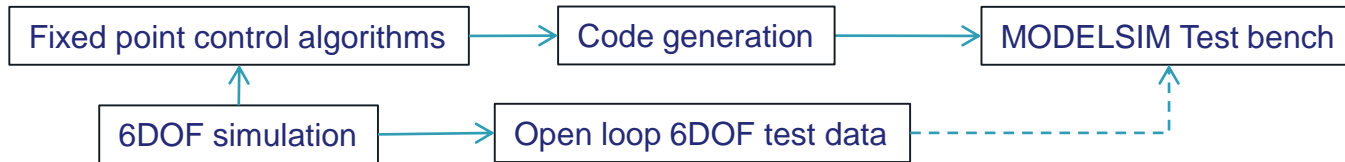
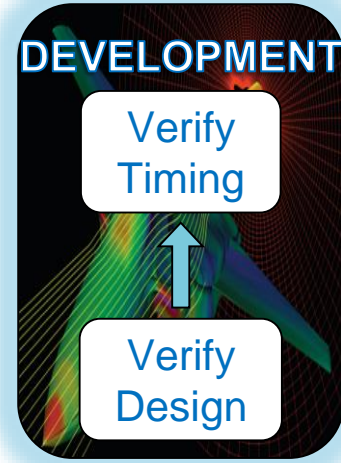
- Common autocode configuration settings across projects for code standard consistency
- Run Monte Carlo simulations replacing algorithms with autogenerated code
- Open loop tests using 6DOF generated test vectors performed on target hardware
- Verify executable code integrity and assess coverage



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Autocode algorithms onto target - HDL

- Common autocode configuration settings across projects for code standard consistency
- Fixed point model required
- Open loop tests using 6DOF generated test vectors performed on target hardware
- Check executable code integrity and assess coverage



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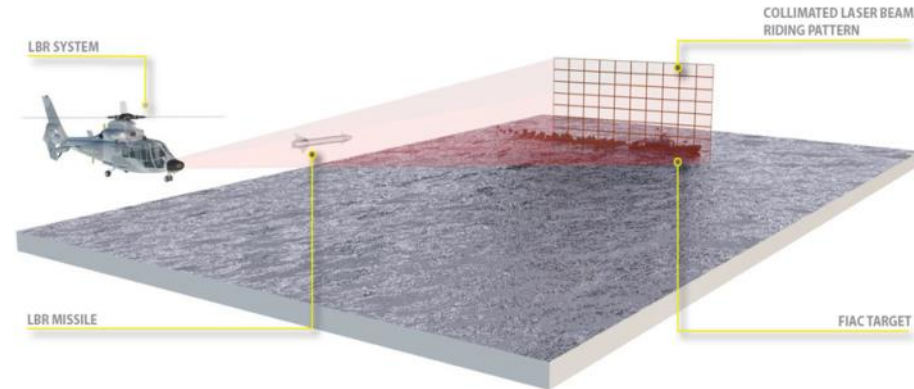
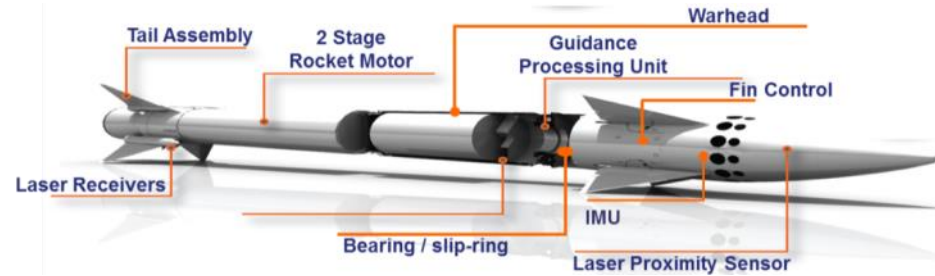
LMM Laser Beam Riding (LBR) HIL key components

Missile Electronics

- Guidance Processing Unit
 - Generate elevator angle demands
 - Simultaneously roll stabilise missile nose
- Fin Control Actuation System
 - Implement fin control algorithms

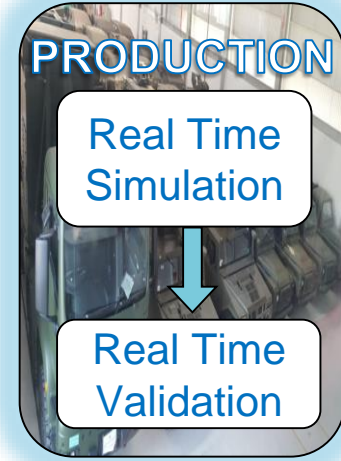
System Emulators

- Laser Information Field emulator
 - Provides missile with its position
- Inertial Measurement Unit emulator
 - Provides missile with rates and accelerations for inertial reference calculations



Hardware in the Loop (HIL) testing

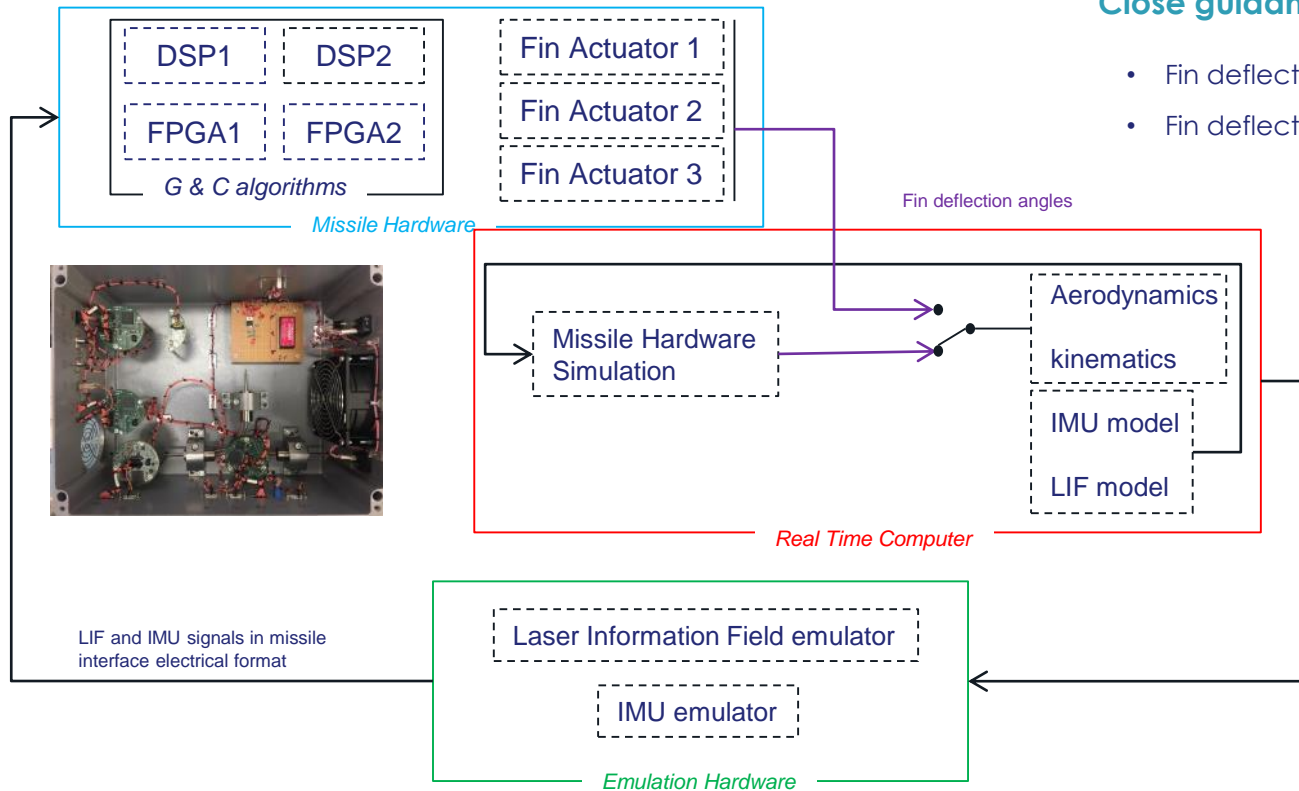
- Autocoded algorithms implemented on hardware
- Simulink Real Time version of 6DOF simulation created
 - May require simplification - Larger step-size, remove high frequency dynamics, limit real time comms
- Model subsystems can be gradually removed from the 6DOF simulation and replaced with hardware or hardware emulators
- Run Monte-Carlo real time simulations on real time target
- Simulation version of algorithms can run on real time target in parallel to permit debugging



LMM Laser Beam Riding (LBR) HIL simulation

Close guidance loop with either:

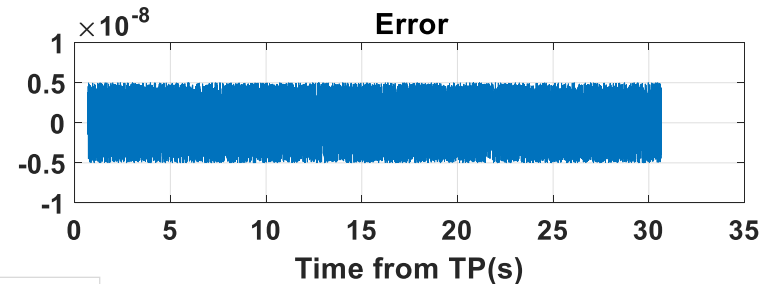
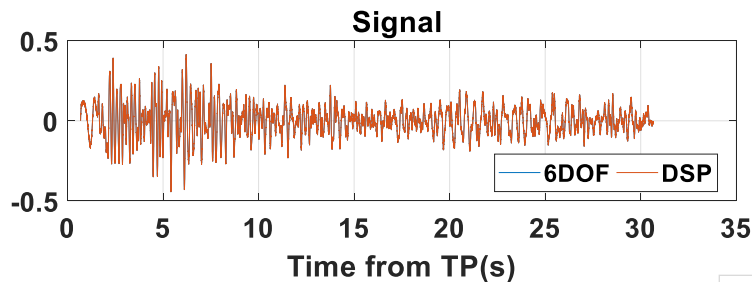
- Fin deflections from actual missile hardware
- Fin deflections from real time 6DOF simulation



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Verification and validation

- HIL simulation is a key part of pre-flight tests
- Hardware stimulated closed-loop with realistic flight data
- Failure mode testing
- Iterative development – 6DOF (both non-real time and real time) validated against flight telemetry data
- Linkage from algorithm design model to hardware implementation tests accelerates rapid prototyping development and testing



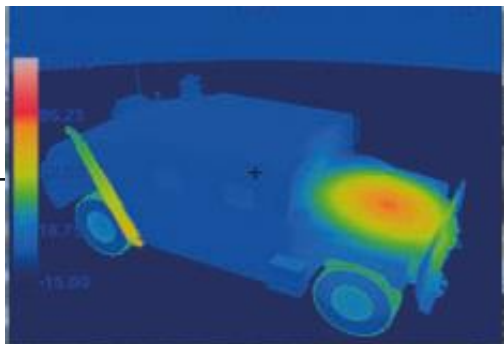
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Next steps

Missile Hardware



Real Time Computer



Real Time Sensor Emulation

Real Time Scenario Generation

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LMM in action

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