



WEBINAR

# AI-Powered Vehicle Concept Development

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# Today's Presenter

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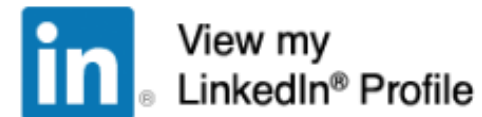


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- AI @ Virtual Vehicle Development
- System Simulation
- Vehicle Development
- Simulation Software Development

15 years in automotive industry



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## AI-powered product development

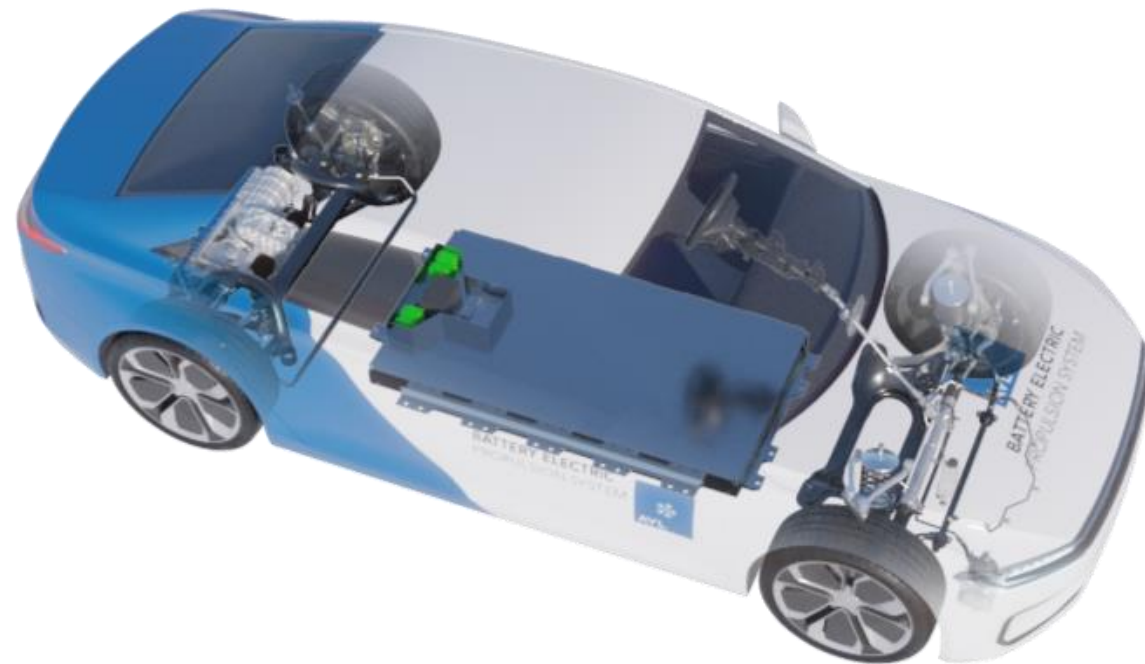
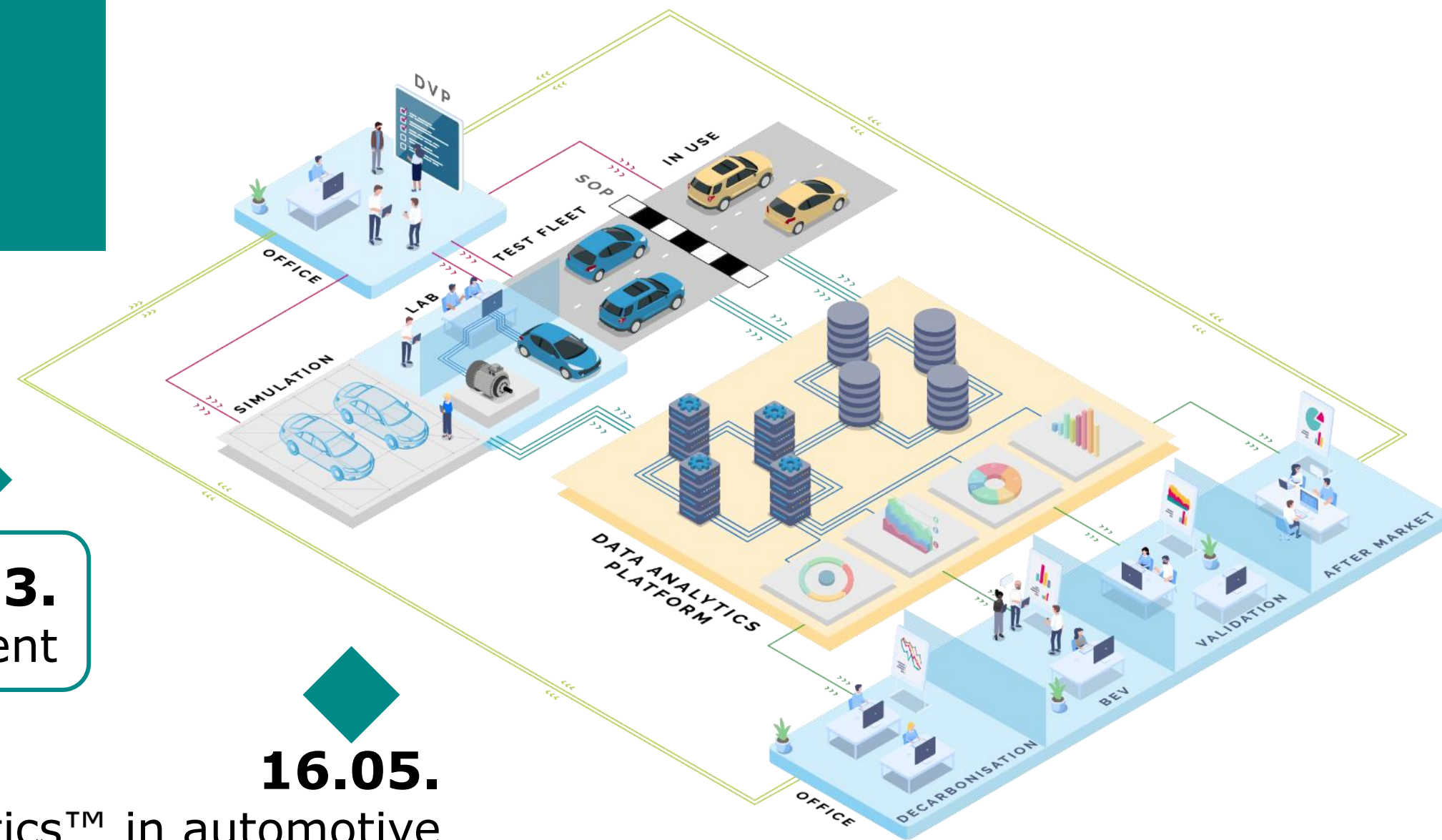
**05.03.**  
Concept to after sales

**07.03.**  
Concept Development

**16.05.**  
AVL Data Analytics™ in automotive  
development process

**11.06.**  
Extending lifetime and  
reducing warranty costs

**24.09.**  
Scalable framework for efficient development  
and execution of data analytics



# Today's Agenda

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## Motivation

OEM | Tier1 | Supplier

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## AI-powered Solution

Predictive Models | Vehicle Composer™ | Demo Movies

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## Customer Reference

Hyundai

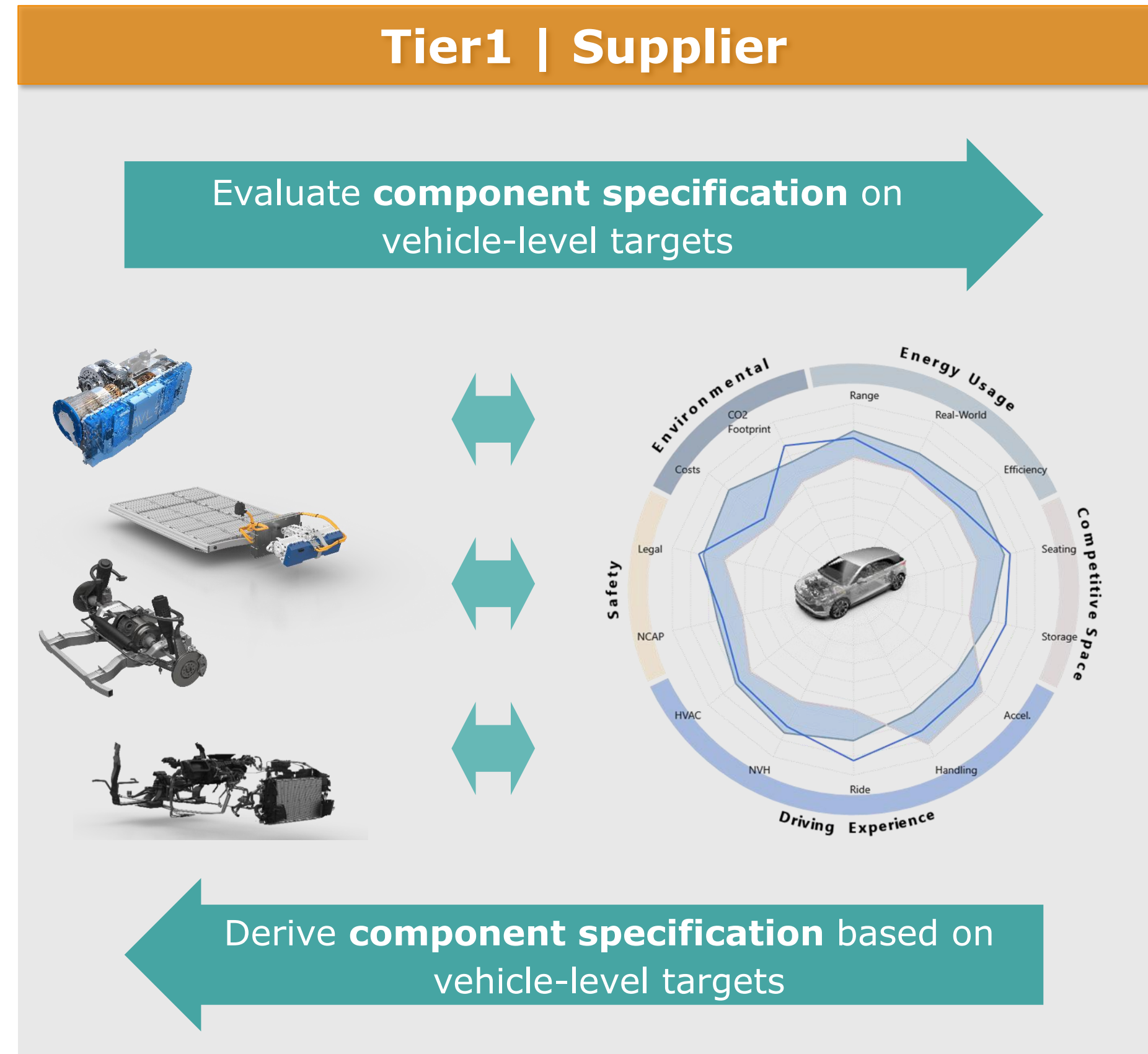
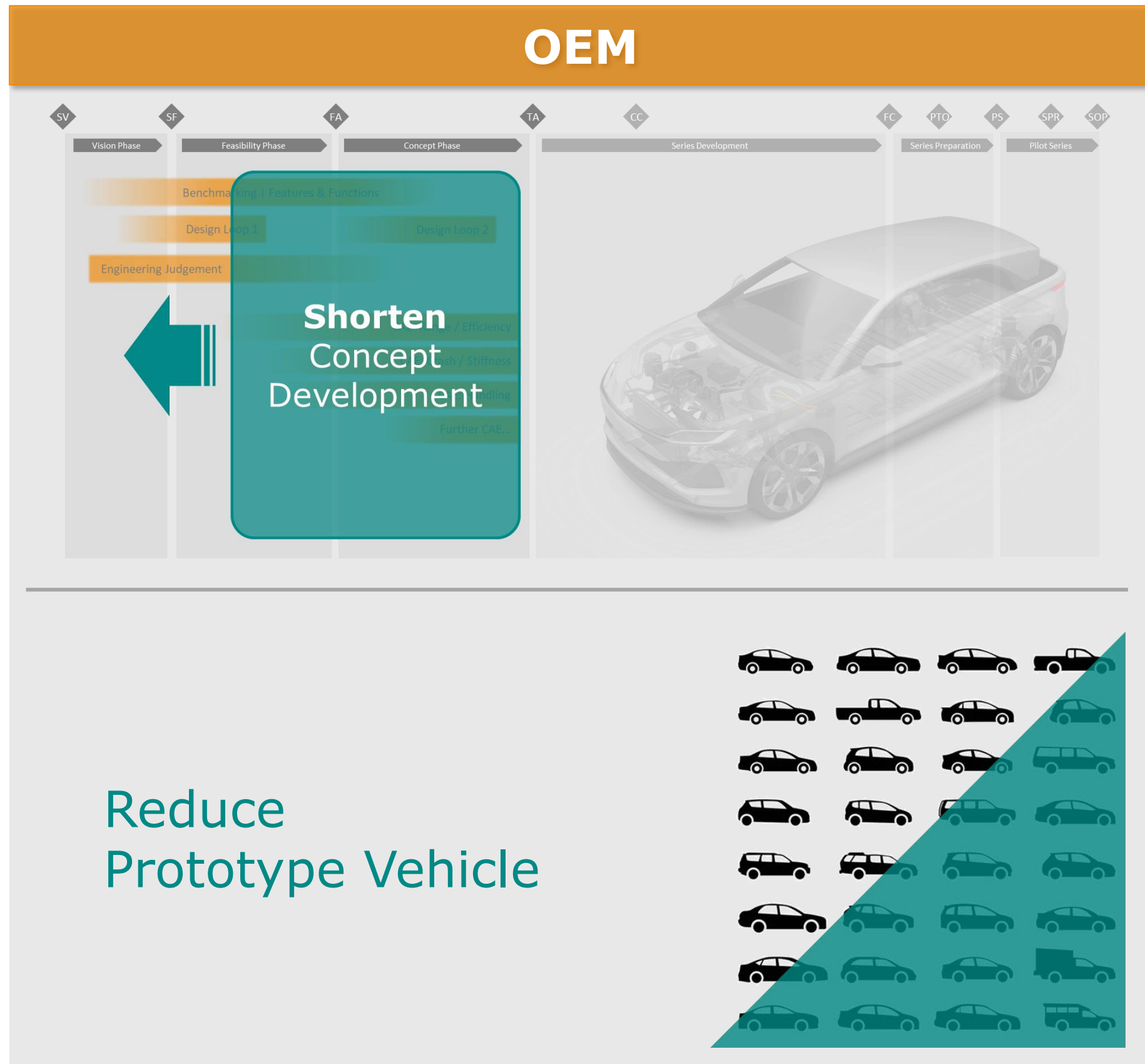
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## Q & A

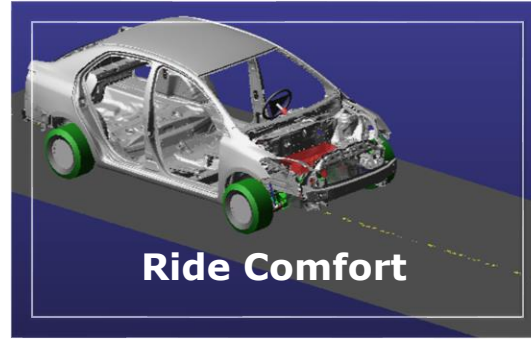
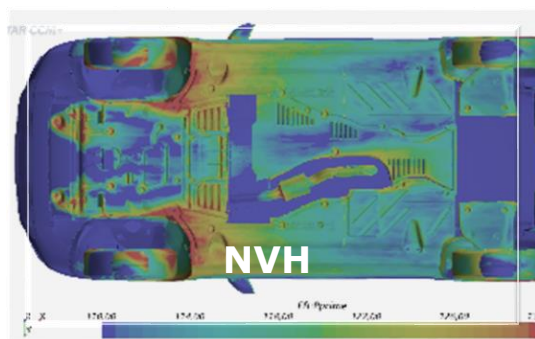
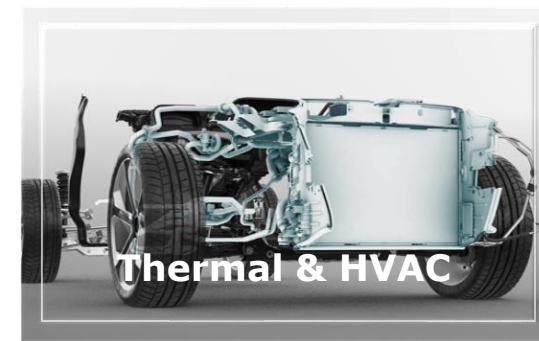
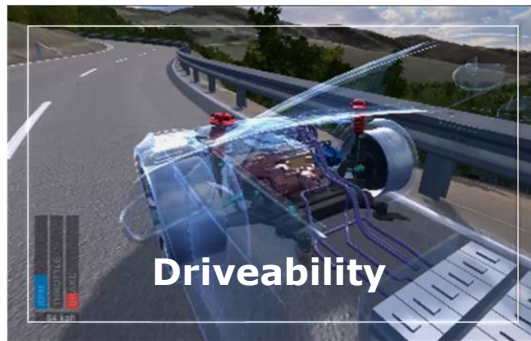
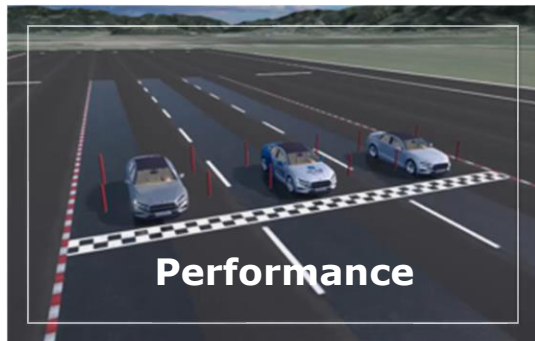
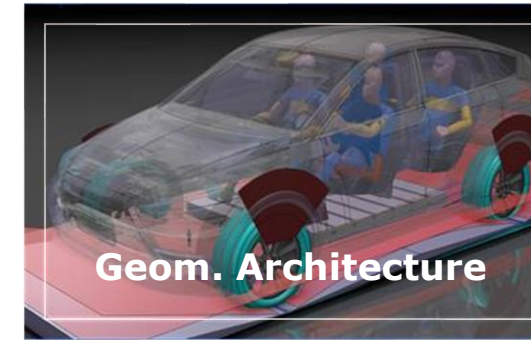
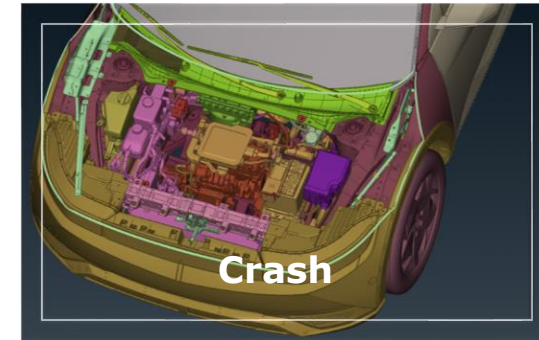
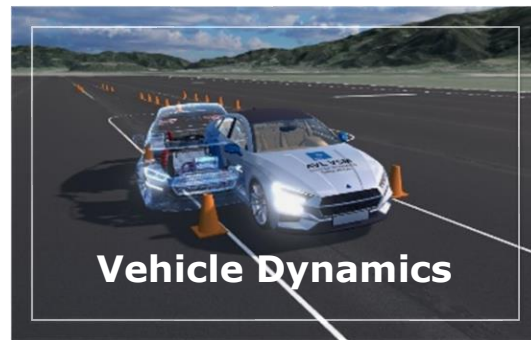


# Motivation

# Challenge



# Digital Vehicle Prototype – The Solution ???



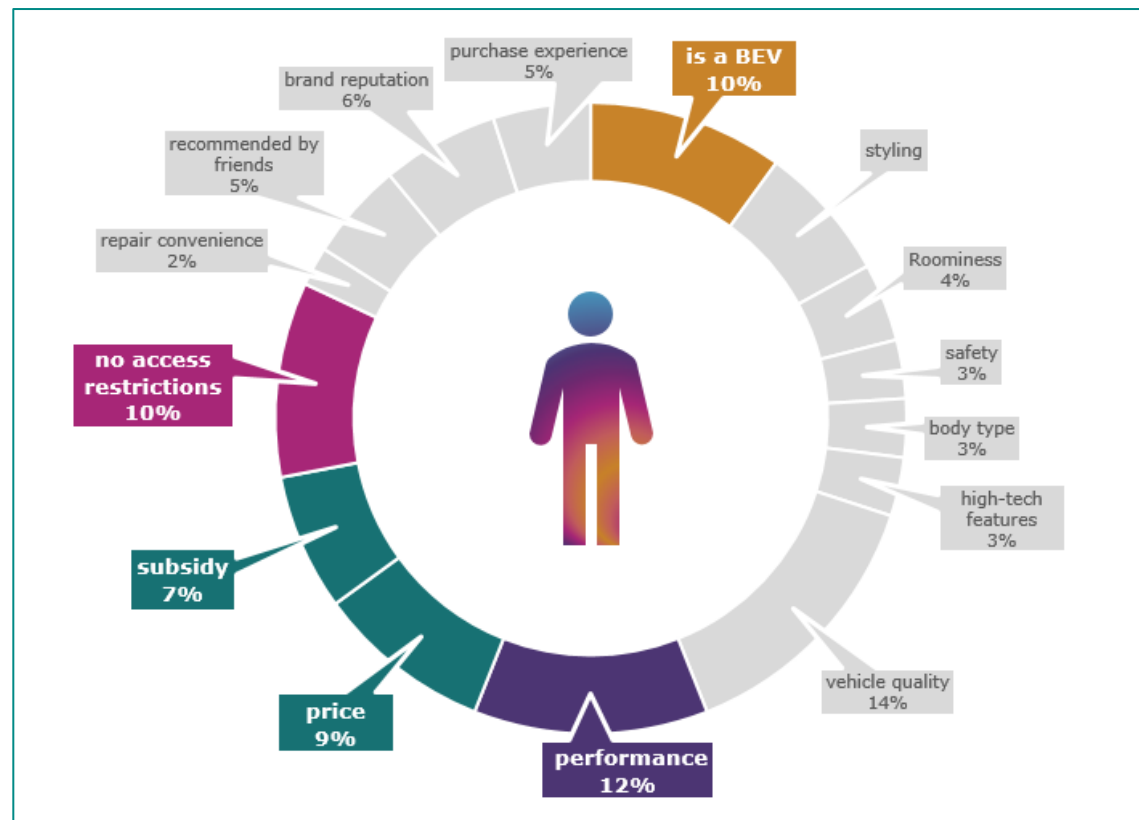
## YES, but...

- Hardly available in early phases
- (Mostly) execution time too slow
- **Local optima** (not interconnected)

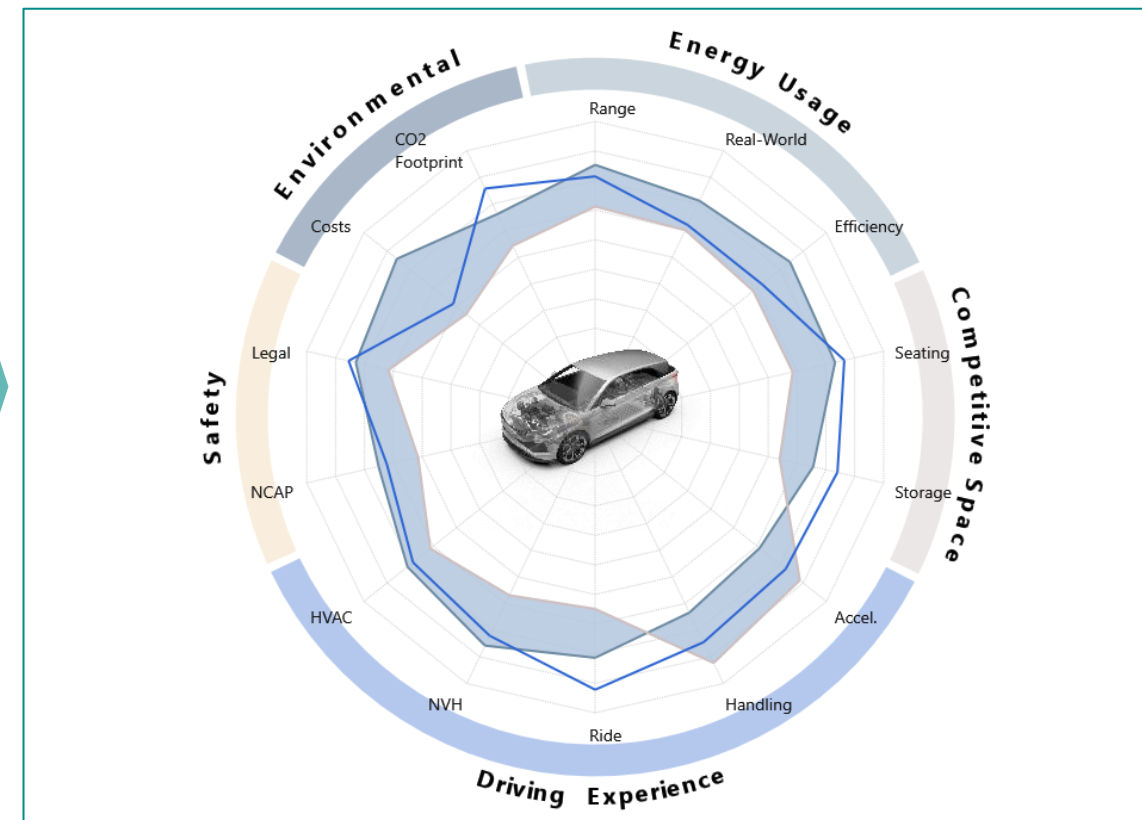
... and many more

# As Fast as Possible from **Customer Expectation** to **Targets & Architecture**

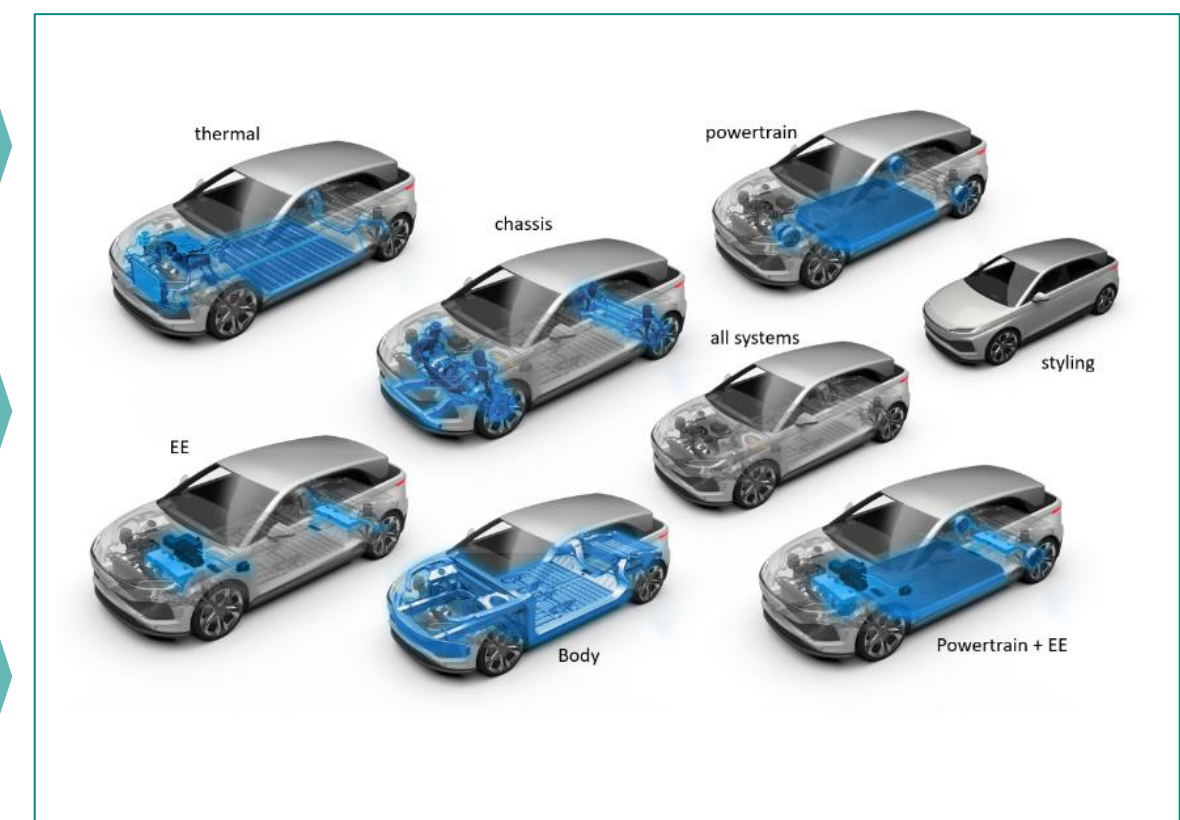
## Customer Expectation



## Vehicle Targets | Brand D.N.A.



## Architecture & Technology



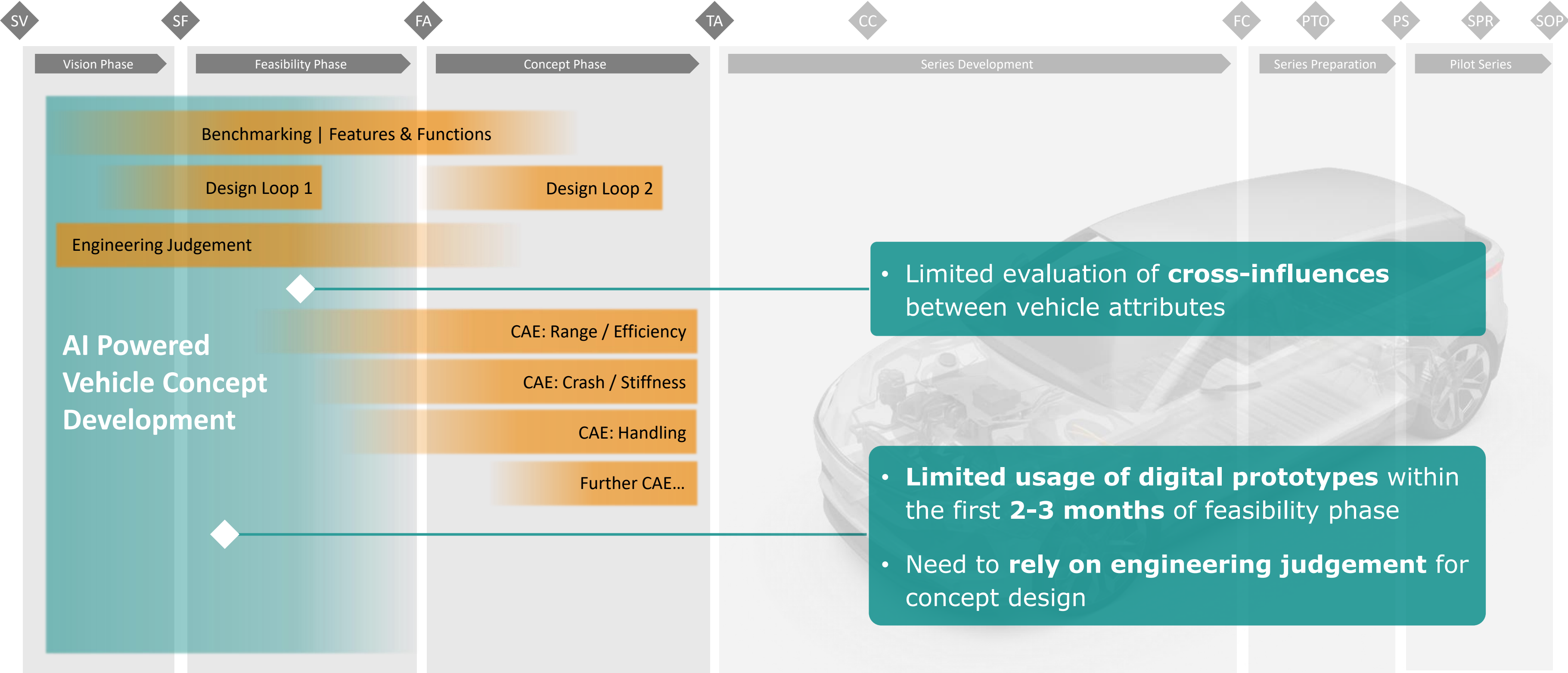
Typically **6-9 months** from Start of Feasibility to Target Agreement / Concept Agreement

**How to shorten it? How to manage complexity?**



# Challenge

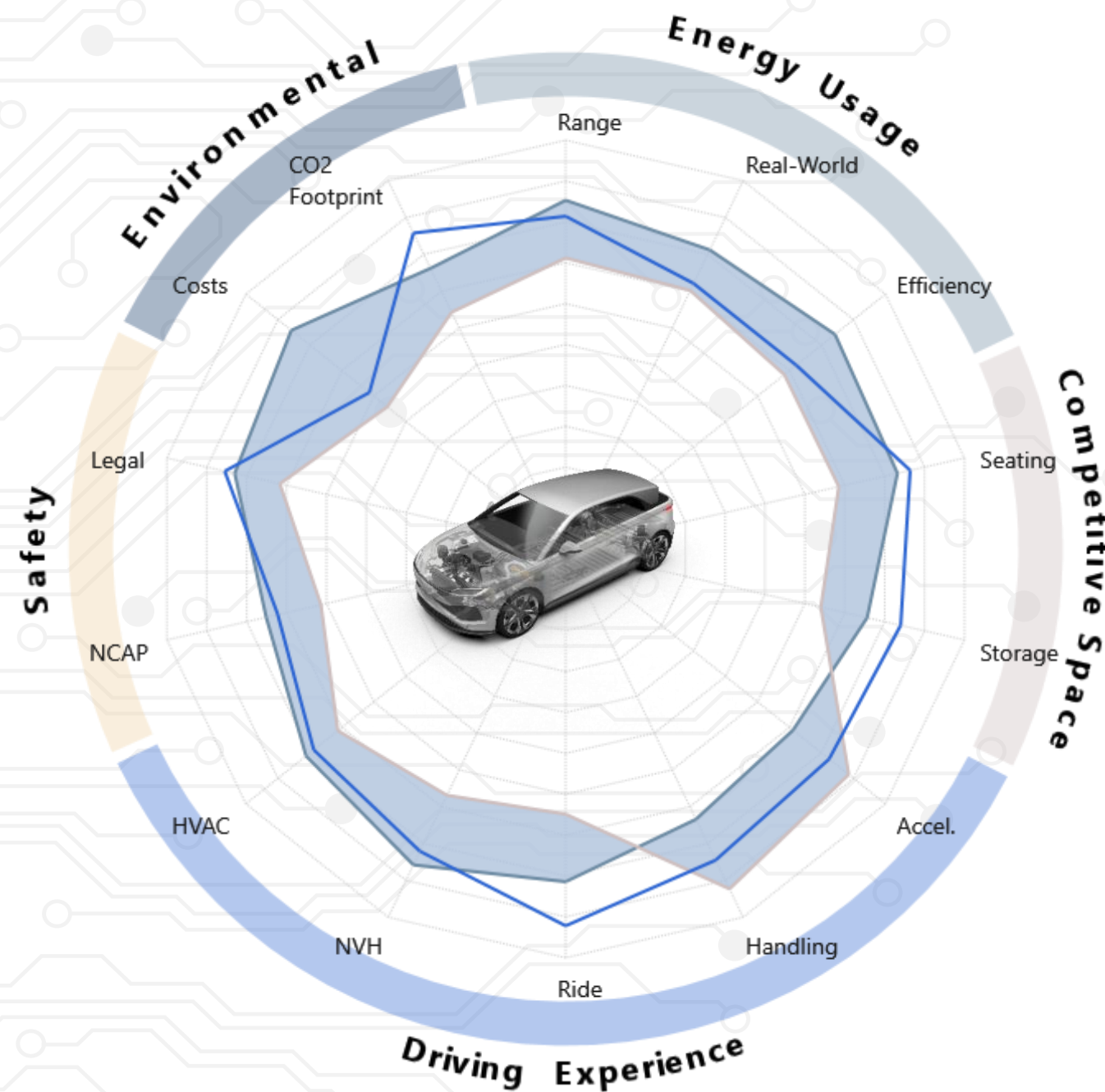
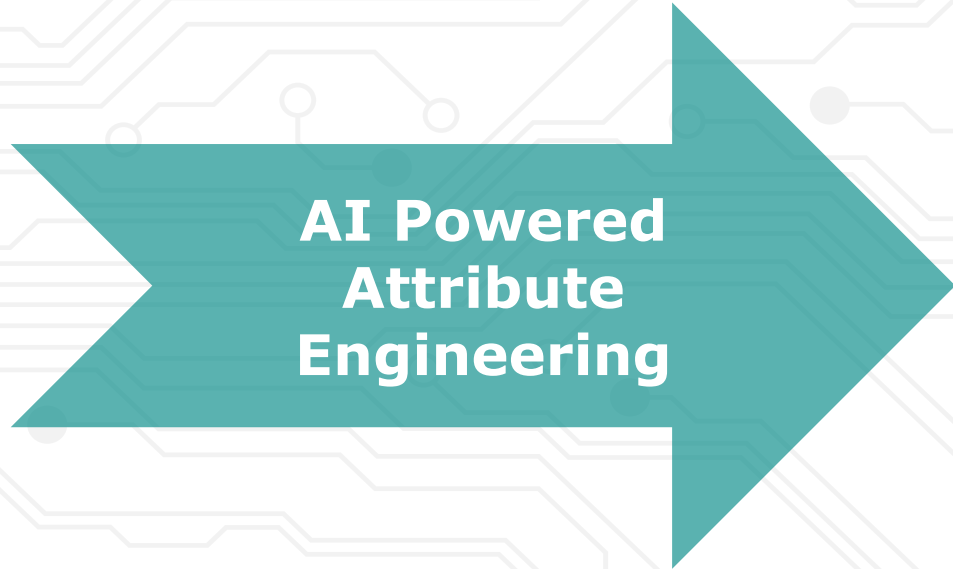
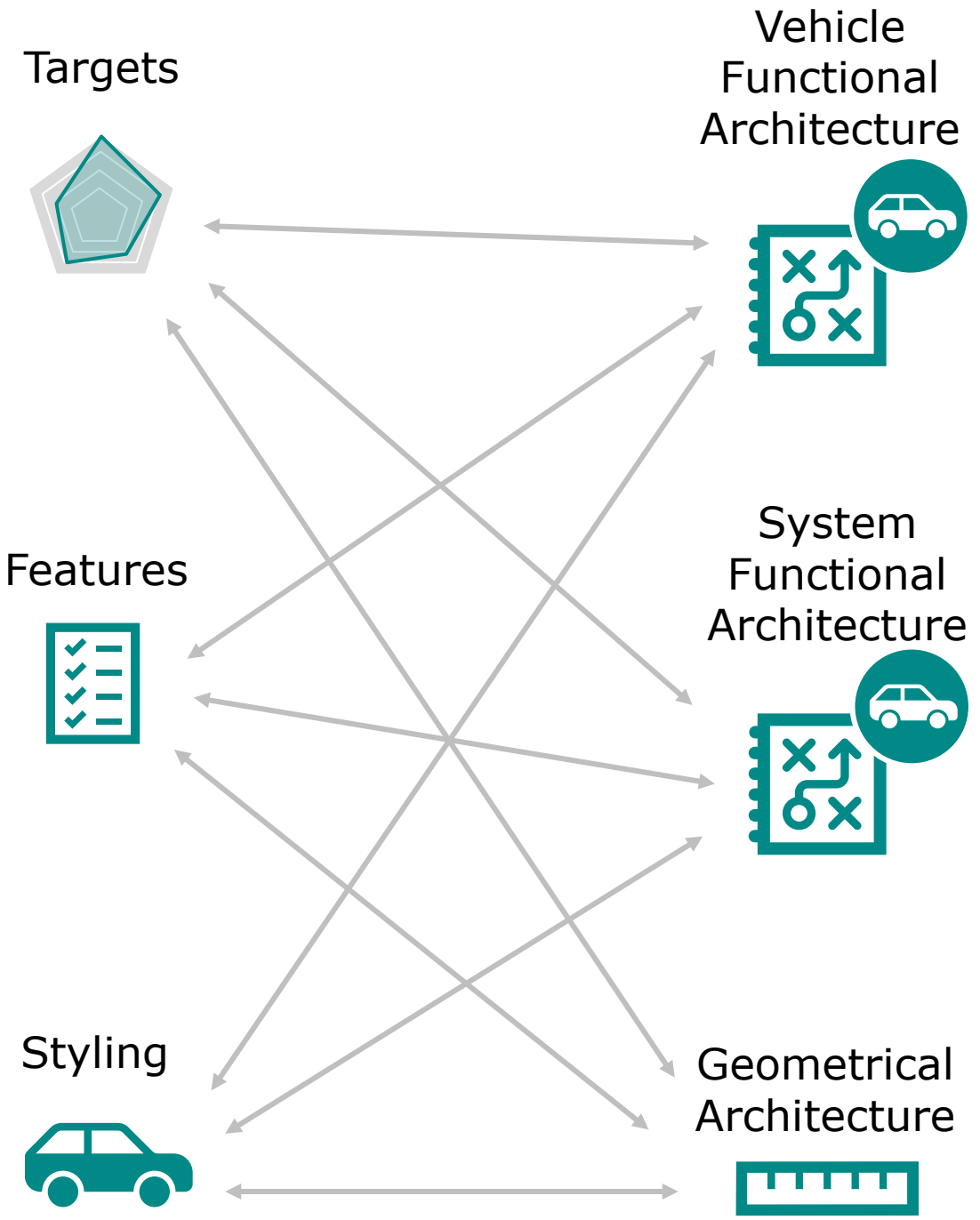
## Late Usage of Digital Prototypes to Define Vehicle Architecture





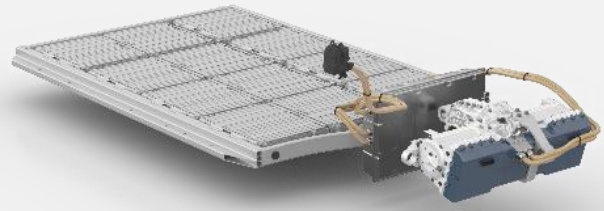
# Solution

# AI Powered Attribute Engineering

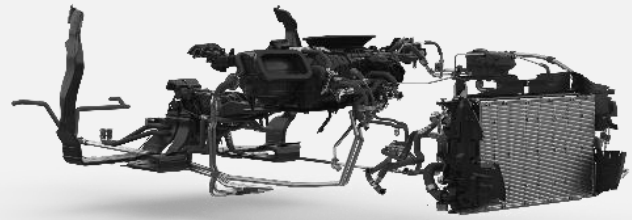


# Technical Specification

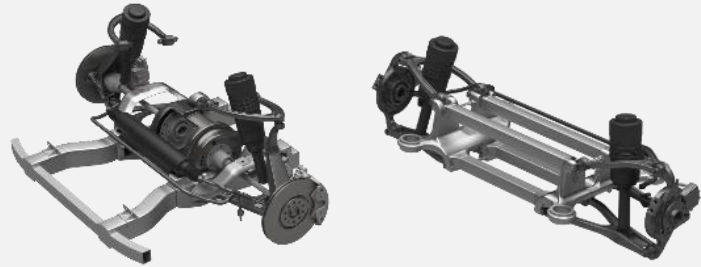
Powertrain



Thermal & HVAC



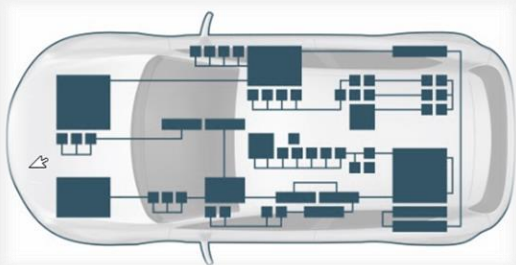
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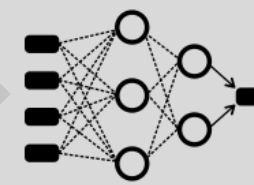
Body



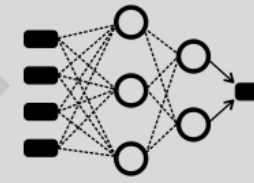
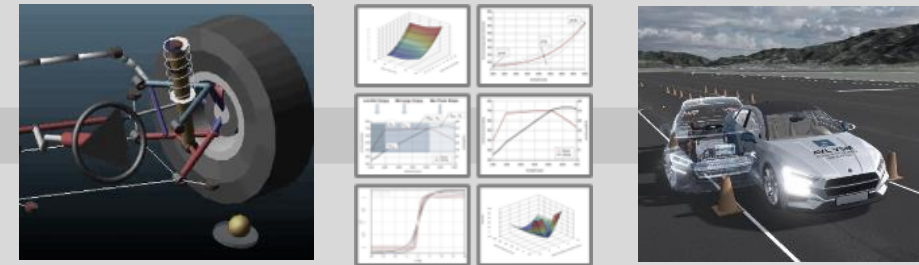
E/E & ADAS/AD



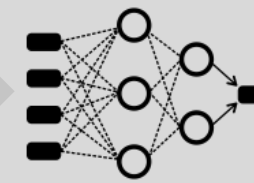
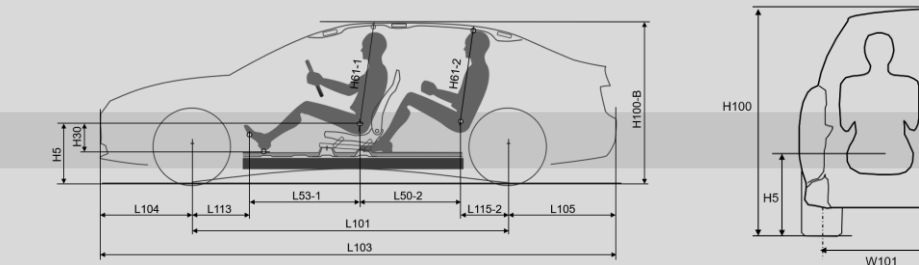
# Generation of Predictive Models



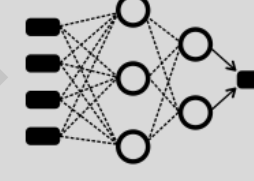
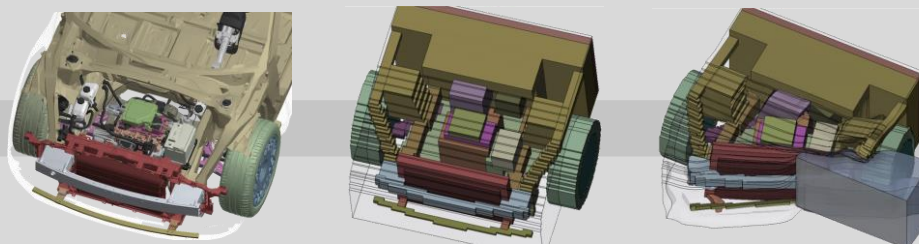
Energy Management  
Thermal  
Charging



Vehicle Dynamics  
Performance  
Driveability  
Braking

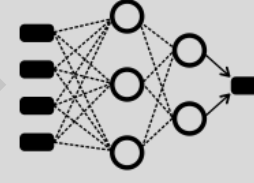
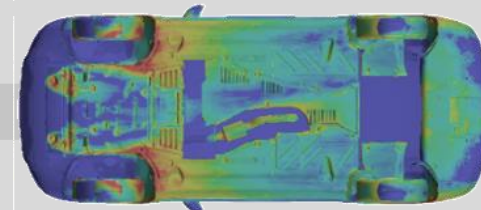


Geometric  
Architecture  
Dimensions



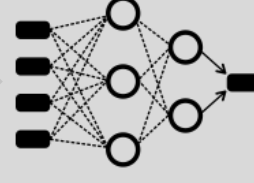
Crash  
Durability

In development



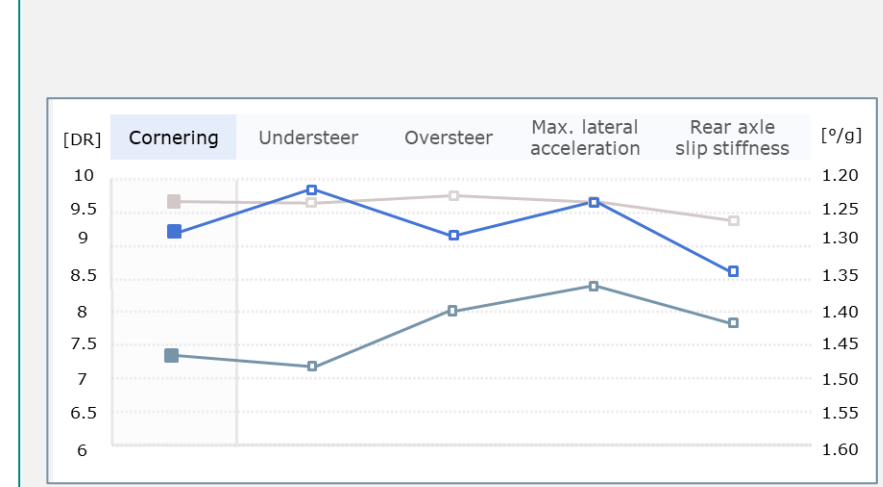
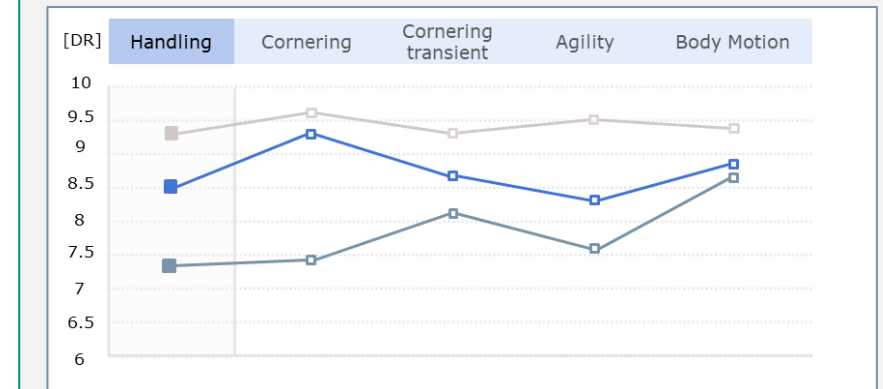
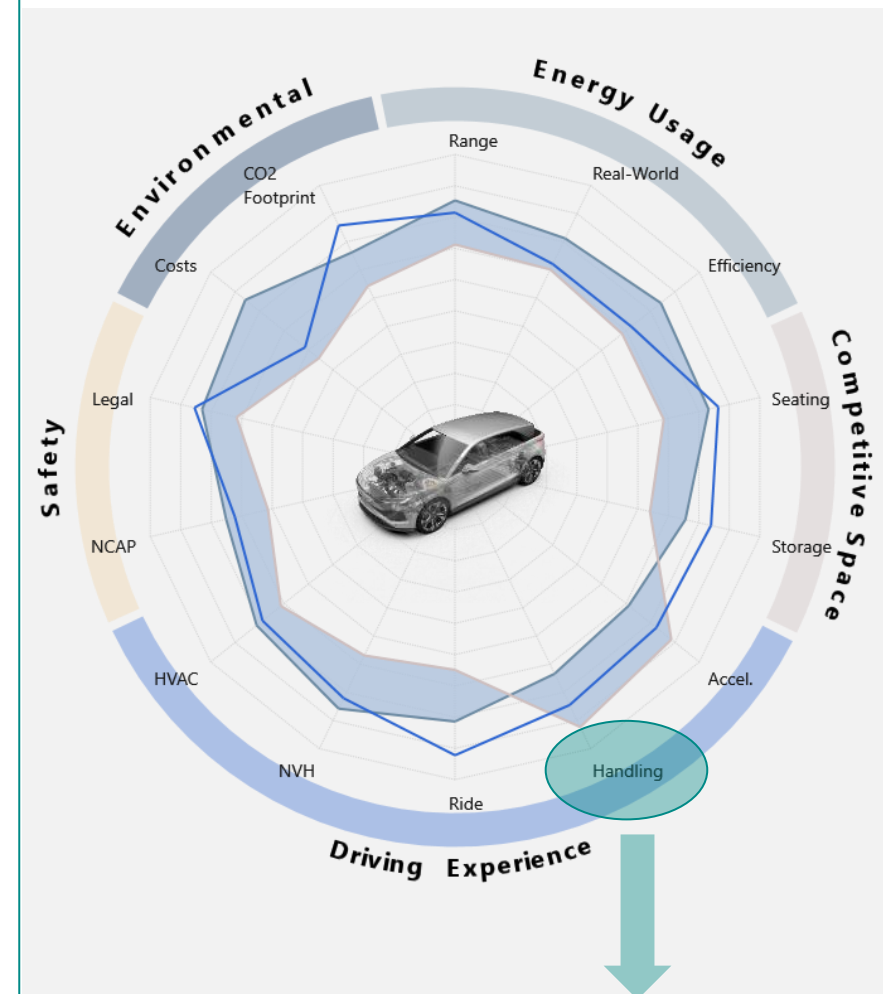
Ride Comfort  
NVH

In development



Costs  
CO<sub>2</sub> Footprint

# Attribute Optimization



# Generation of Predictive Models

## Example: Handling

### Key Parameters (Significance > 1%)

#### Body

- Weight
- Weight distribution
- Center of gravity
- Vehicle inertia
- Vehicle geometry

#### Tyre

- Dimension
- Type

#### Aerodynamics

- Downforce (front/rear)

#### Chassis

- Suspension
  - Spring & Damper
  - Anti-Roll bar
  - K & C
- Steering system
  - Ratio
- Controls
  - Torque vectoring
  - Rear wheel steering

#### Powertrain

- Layout

### Maneuver | Driving Modi

#### Cornering

- Slowly increasing steering
- Constant radius cornering

#### Cornering transient

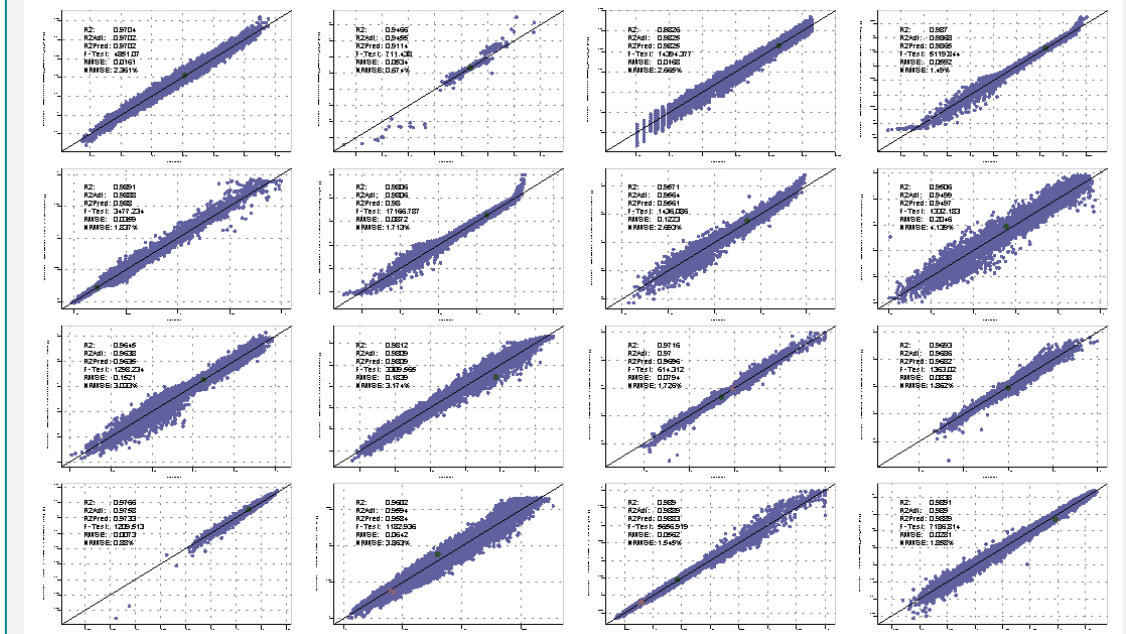
- Accelerated cornering
- Brake in turn

#### Agility

- Turn in
- Slalom
- Double lane change



### Predictive Model (RNN Neural Network)



### KPI | Attributes (> 25 single KPI's)

#### Physical (ISO)

- Maximum  $A_y$  [g]
- Roll angle gradient [ $^{\circ}/g$ ]
- Rear axle slip stiff. [ $^{\circ}/g$ ]
- ...

#### Objective (AVL-DRIVE™)

- Cornering [DR]
- Cornering Transient [DR]
- Agility [DR]
- ...

> 25 parameters  
7 maneuvers

> 300.000 single simulations

∅ Model Accuracy: 98%  
Execution Time < 0.01s

# Generation of Predictive Models

## Example: Energy Management & Charging

### Key Parameters (Significance > 1%)

#### General

- Vehicle Weight

#### Tyre

- Dimensions
- Rolling Resistance

#### E/E

- AC Charging Power
- DC Charging Power
- OBC Efficiency

#### Controls

- AWD Torque Split
- Recup. Percentage

#### Powertrain

- AWD/RWD/FWD
- HV Battery Energy
- EM Torque & Power
- EM & Inv. Losses
- Gear Ratio
- Gear Losses
- LV Auxiliary Cons.
- HV Auxiliary Cons.

#### Body

- Weight
- Frontal Area
- Drag Coefficient

### Test Procedures

#### Legislative Procedures

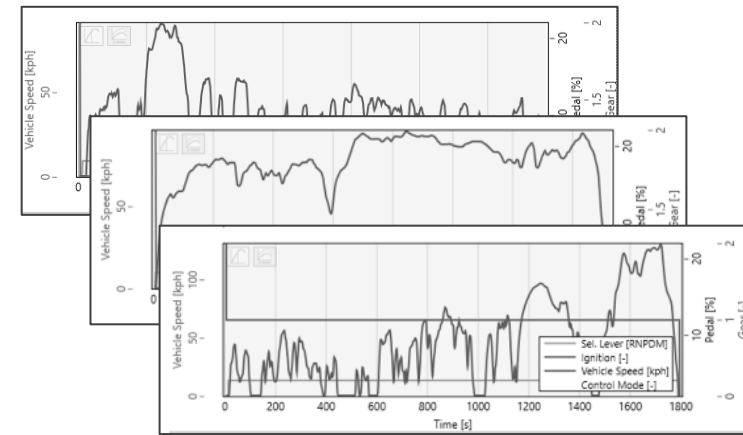
- WLTP
- EPA 2-Cycle

#### Charging Experience

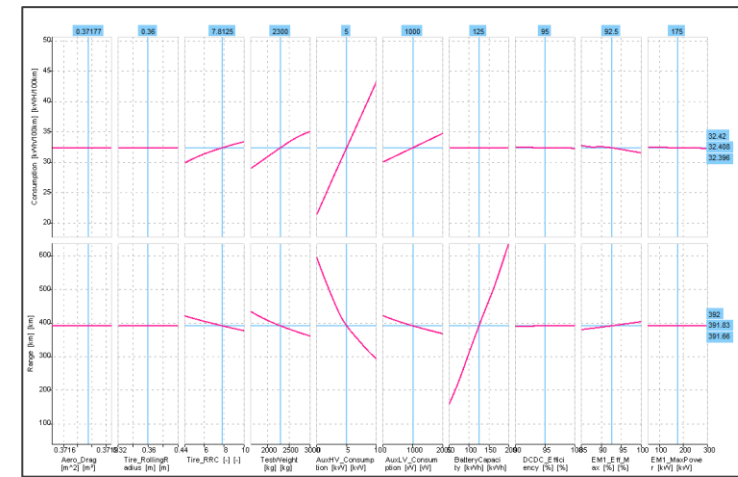
- AC Charging 0-100%
- DC Charging 10-80%



### Use Case Definition



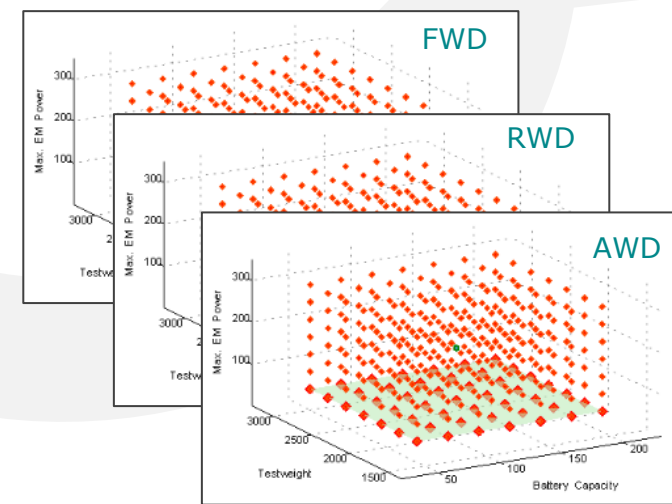
### Sensitivity Analysis



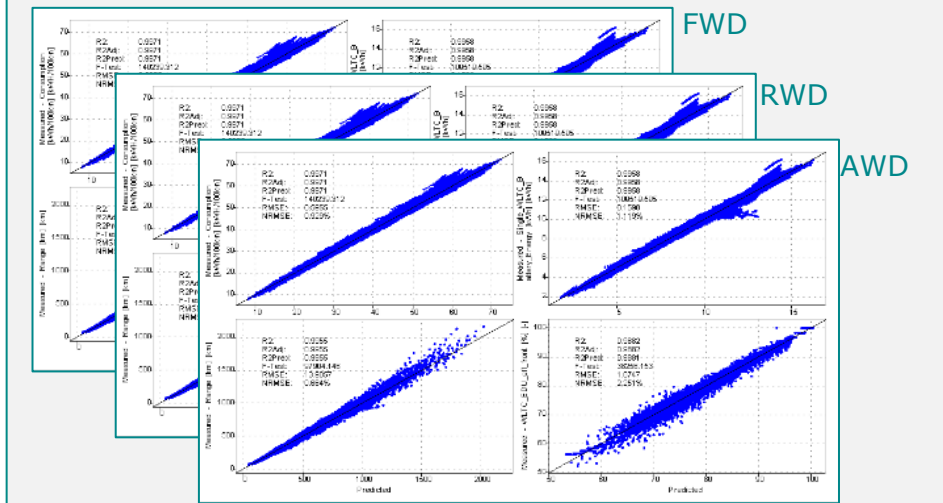
### Dynamic Simulation Model Validation

WLTP	Meas.	Sim.
Range (km)	458	457.8
	Ref.	<b>99.8%</b>
Consumpt. (kWh/100km)	15.7	15.74
	Ref.	<b>99.7%</b>
DC Charge (min)	18.2	18.1
	Ref.	<b>99.4%</b>

### DoE Plan Generation



### Predictive Model (e.g. RNN)



### KPI | Attributes

#### Physical (ISO)

- WLTP Energy Consumption (kWh/100km)
- WLTP Range (km)
- EPA 2-Cycle Energy Cons. (kWh/100mi)
- EPA 2-Cycle Range (miles)
- Individ. Cycle Battery Energy Depletion (kWh)
- AC & DC Charging Duration (min, h)
- AC & DC Charging Efficiency (%)
- Average E-Machine Efficiency (%)
- Average HV Battery Efficiency (%)

> 25 parameters  
4 Maneuvers

>80.000 cycle simulations in cloud  
Legislation-specific automated KPI calculation

Model Accuracy >98%  
Evaluation in Real Time

# Generation of Predictive Models

## Example: **Crash**

### Key Parameters

#### General

- Weight
- Weight distribution
- Center of gravity
- Vehicle inertia

#### Body

- Vehicle geometry (Part dimensions)
- Part stiffness characteristics categories

**Vehicle Geometry Sets**  
Selection of consistent part dimension sets

#### Package

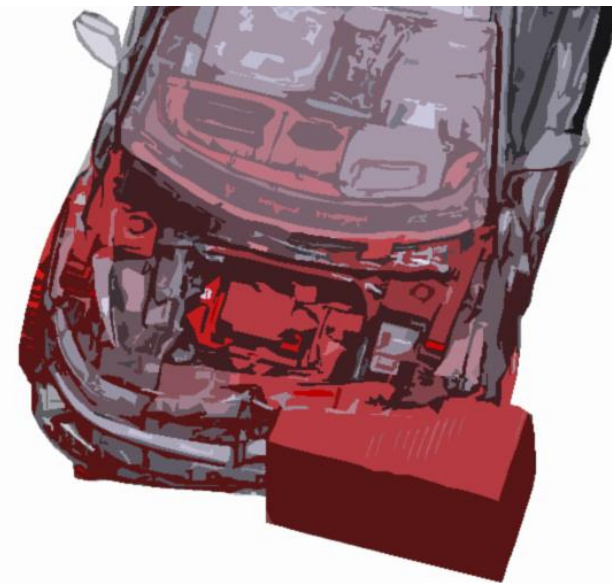
- Component positions, size, weight
- Deformation characteristics categories

**Package Sets**  
Selection of consistent sets of package-comp. configurations

### Load Cases

- **Full-width frontal crash**
- **Offset-deformable-barrier 40%**
- **Small-overlap-barrier 25%** (2024)
- **Pole side impact** (2024)

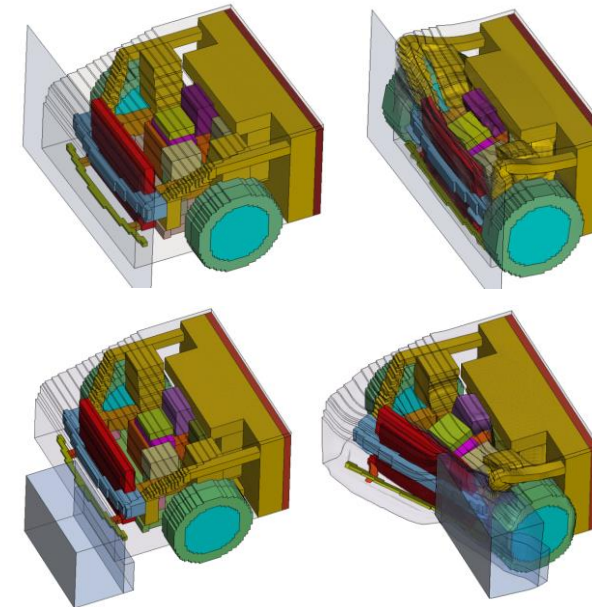
### FE-Model Variation & Abstract Model Validation



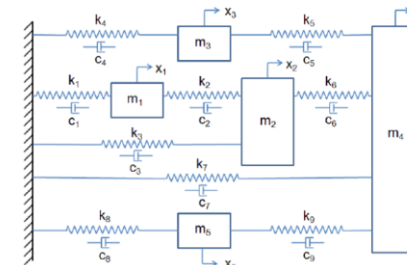
Validation for different levels of abstraction



### DoE with Abstract Models

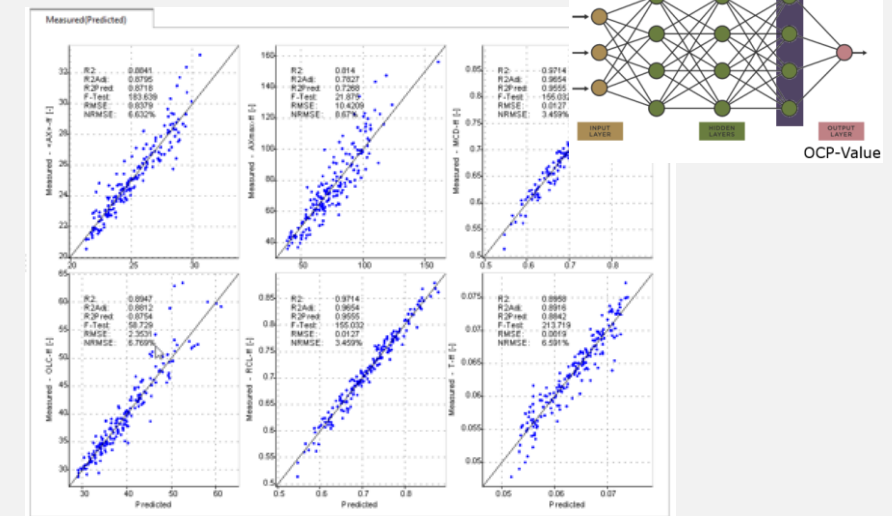


Abstract Model – Level 1  
(Simulation time < 15 min)



Abstract Model – Level 2  
(Simulation time < 1 min)

### Predictive Model



### KPI | Attributes (> 15 single KPI's)

#### Full-width frontal

- Mean acc. [g]
- Mean intrusion [m]
- OLC [g]
- ...

#### Overall Crash Performance (OCP)-Value

#### ODB-40%

- Mean acc. [g]
- Mean intrusion [m]
- OLC [g]
- ...

- Combined criterium

> **25** parameters  
2+ load cases

> **20** full-vehicle FE simulations for abstract model validation

> **10.000** single simulations

**Real-time** crash performance evaluation

# Generation of Predictive Models

## Example: **Vehicle Geometric Architecture**

### Key Vehicle Characteristics and Customer preferences

#### Vehicle segment

- City car
- Compact
- Medium Size
- ...

#### Body type

- Sedan
- CUV
- SUV
- ...

#### Roominess, usability

- Seating posture
- Head, knee and shoulder room
- Ingress/egress
- Trunk volume
- ...

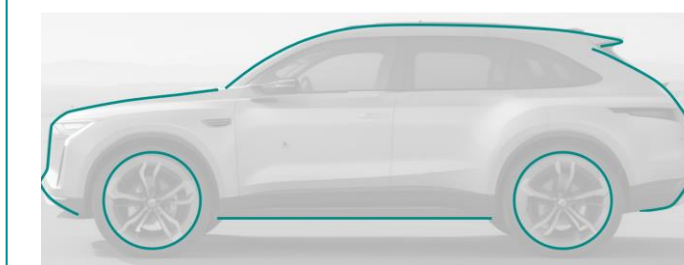
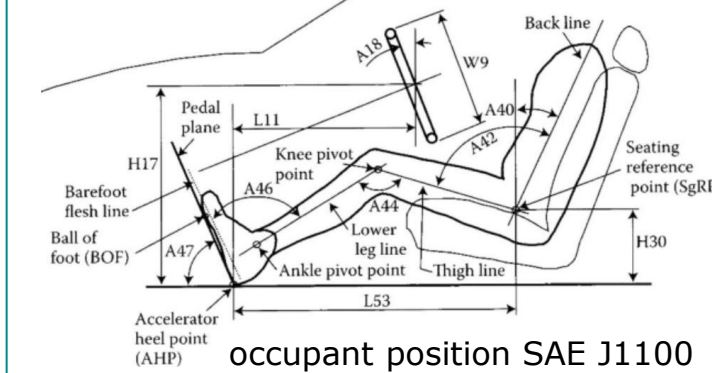
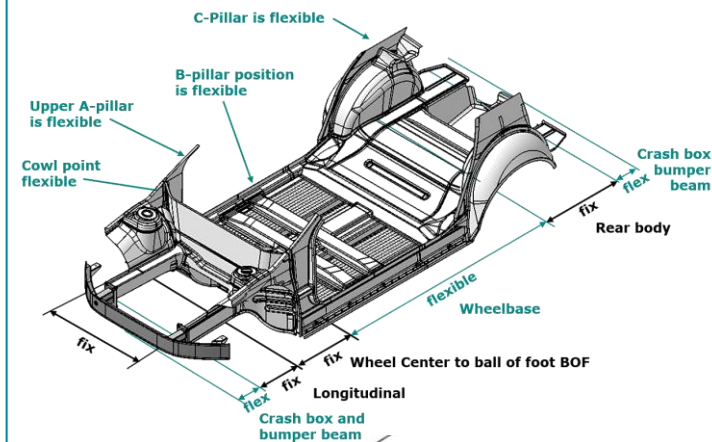
### (Platform) Design parameters

- Chassis and powertrain (tire size, powertrain, pedal box and steering layout)
- Body structure (e.g., roof structure stack-up)
- Underfloor package (e.g., HV battery stack-up)

### Legal (homologation) and industry standards

- Min. visibility and view angles
- Max. vehicle width
- Min. ground clearance

### Geometric Composition



technical package boundaries

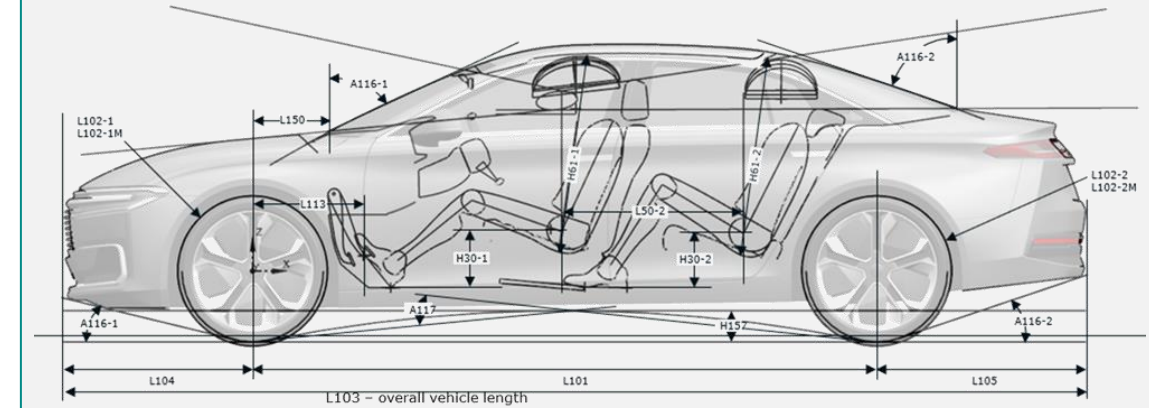
front occupant

rear occupants

storage space

appearance, proportions

### Vehicle Layout



### KPI | Benchmark

#### Harmonically composed Vehicle Architecture

- Interior dimensions
  - occupant position
  - occupant posture
  - space and roominess
- Exterior dimensions
  - overall vehicle dimensions (length/width/height)
  - proportions/proportional ratios
  - ground clearance, approach/ramp/departure angle
- ...

> **20 vehicle descriptive parameters**  
(reflecting the voice of the customer)

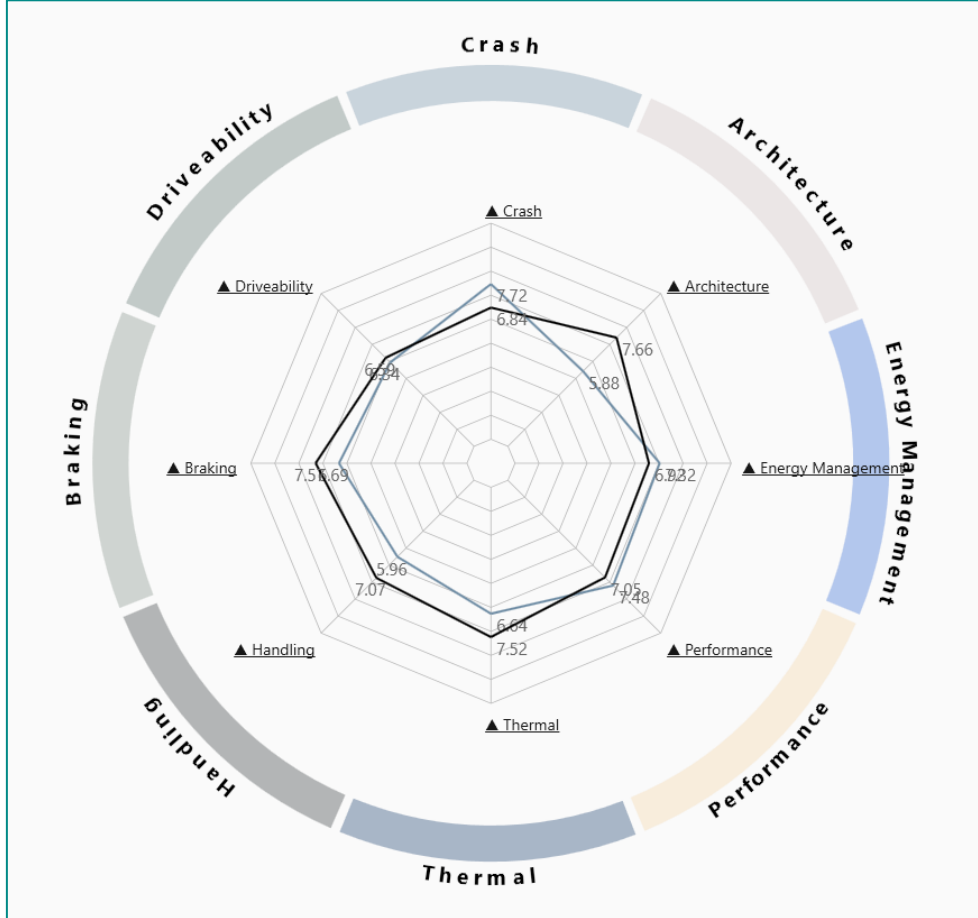
**Combining and comparing the vehicle characteristics/customer preferences**

> **60 parameters** related to the occupant package.  
Derived vehicle layout plan

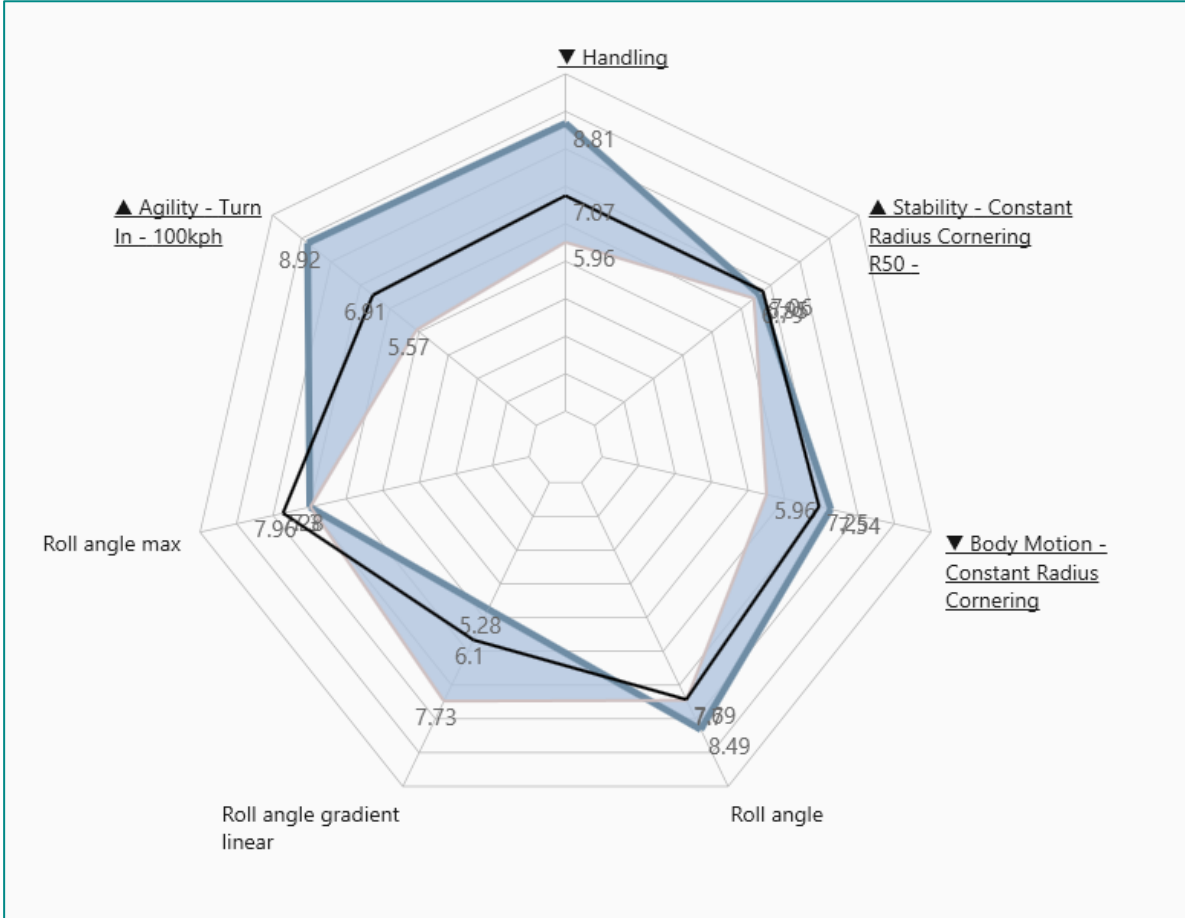


# Vehicle Target Cascading

## Top Level



## Attribute „Handling“



## Physical Details

Project KPIs	Value
Thermal	7.52
Handling	7.07
Stability - Constant Radius Cornering R50 -	7.06
Understeer [DR]	7.06
Oversteer [DR]	7.15
Max. lateral acceleration [m/s <sup>2</sup> ]	7.19
Understeer gradient [deg/(m/s <sup>2</sup> )]	5.50
Front axle slip stiffness linear [deg/(m/s <sup>2</sup> )]	7.20
Front axle slip stiffness limit [deg/(m/s <sup>2</sup> )]	6.64
Rear axle slip stiffness linear [deg/(m/s <sup>2</sup> )]	6.56
Rear axle slip stiffness limit [deg/(m/s <sup>2</sup> )]	7.99
Rear axle slip angle max [deg]	8.26



File Home Predictive Model View

New Project Import Project Save Project Configure Project Auto-Configure Project Create View Save View Manage Specifications Show/Hide Reset Manage KPIs Show/Hide Export Scenarios Sensitivity Analysis Significance Randomize Reverse Optimization Optimize

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- PRED\_WLTC

Vehicle Composer Predictive Model

Specifications

Technical Specifications Add Edit Delete Import Export

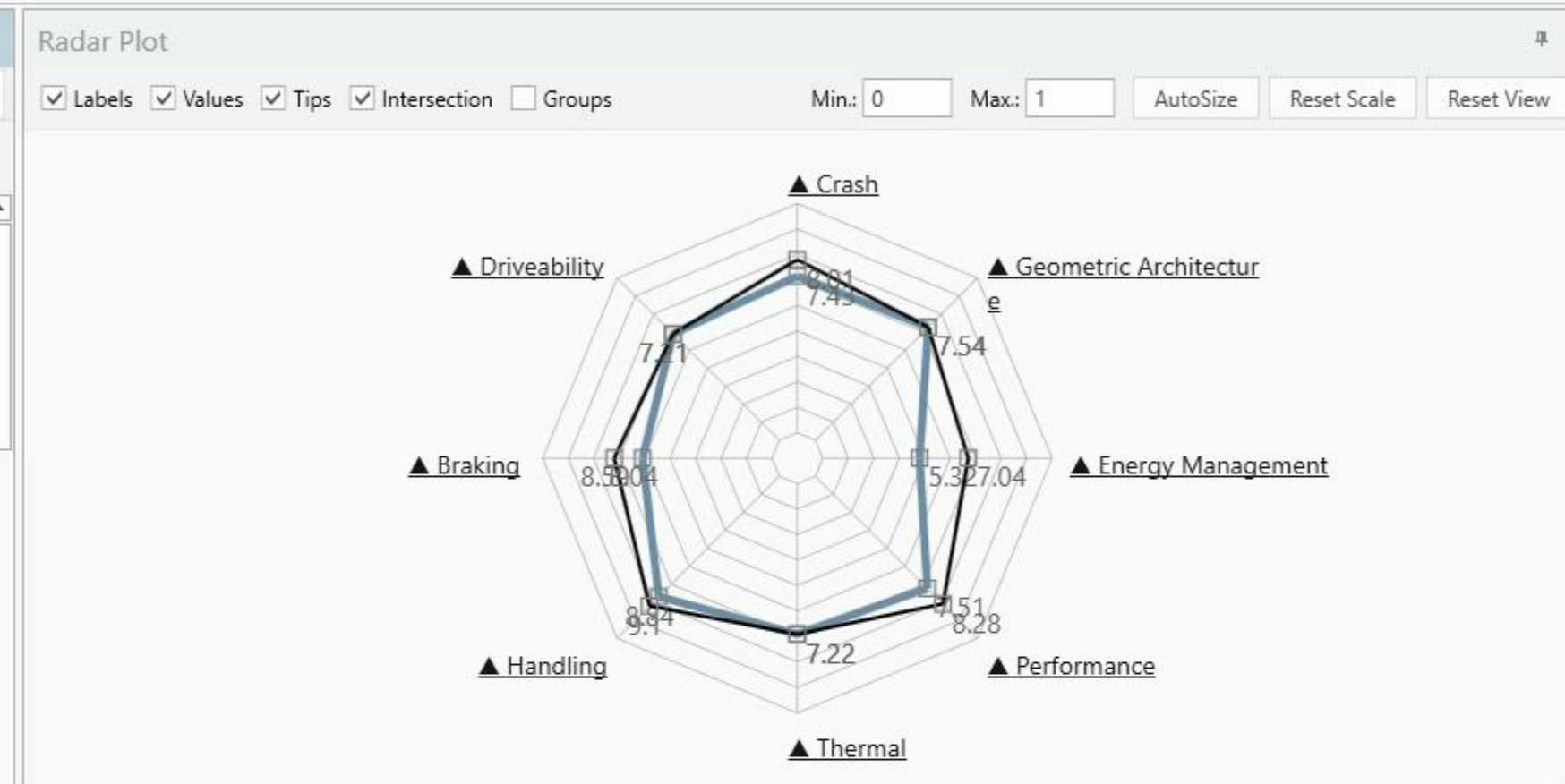
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- Aero base
- Brakes base
- Control base
- Drivetrain base
- Electric System base
- Geometry base
  - Chassis
    - Curb vehicle weight (CVW) [kg] 1500 0.1906
    - Additional Mass [kg] 100 0.0689
    - Additional Energy Management Mass [kg] 100 0.0269
    - Wheelbase, L101 [m] 2.9 0.0105
    - CVW distribution front [%] 48 0.0074
    - COG height (CVW) [m] 0.544 0.0056
    - Additional Crash Mass [kg] 100 0.0002

Scenario Management

Variants Configure Add Variant Remove Variant Clear Table Apply Variant

Use	Compare	Label	Curb vehicle weigh...	Brake Distribution	Useable Battery En...	Tyre rolling radius
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Vehicle Composer

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- Electric System** base
  - HV**

Useable Battery Energy [kWh]	50 75 100 125 150 175 200	196.79	0.2001
Max. Efficiency E-Motor+Inverter Rear [%]	85 87.5 90 92.5 95 97.5 100	94	0.0317
Gear Ratio (E-Motor to Wheel)	8 9.5 11 12.5 14 15.5 17	10.65	0.0269
Recuperation Percentage [%]	0 15 30 45 60 75 90 100	97	0.0195
HV Auxiliaries Consumption [kW]	0 1.5 3 4.5 6 7.5 9 10	0	0.0194
Average Gear Efficiency (E-Motor to Wheel) [%]	90 91.5 93 94.5 96 97.5 99 100	96	0.0087
Max. Efficiency E-Motor+Inverter Front [%]	85 87.5 90 92.5 95 97.5 100	94	0.0062
Peak E-Motor Power Rear [kW]	50 100 150 200 250 300	150	0.0029

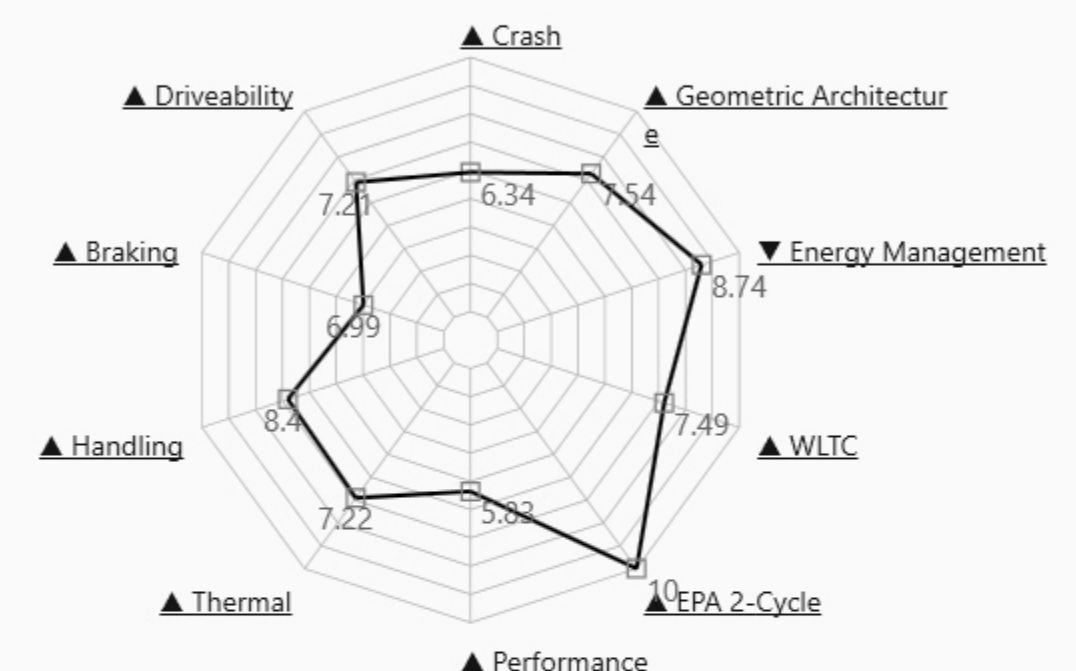
Scenario Management

Variants

Configure Add Variant Remove Variant Clear Table Apply Variant

Radar Plot

Labels  Values  Tips  Intersection  Groups
 Min.: 0 Max.: 1 AutoSize Reset Scale Reset View



KPIs

Project KPIs

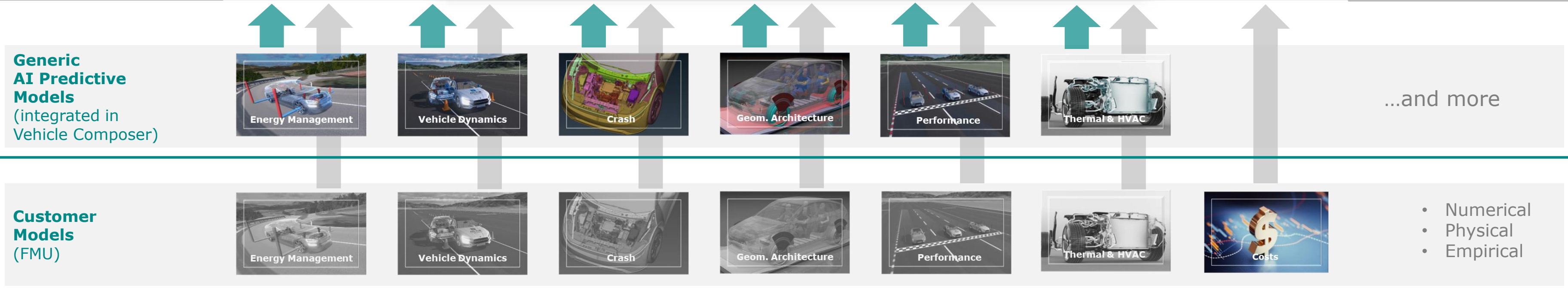
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# Solution Architecture (OEM)

**Technical Specifications**  
Technologies  
Components  
Platform  
Systems

**Vehicle Targets**  
Requirements  
Attributes  
D.N.A.  
KPIs



# Solution Architecture (Supplier / Tier1)

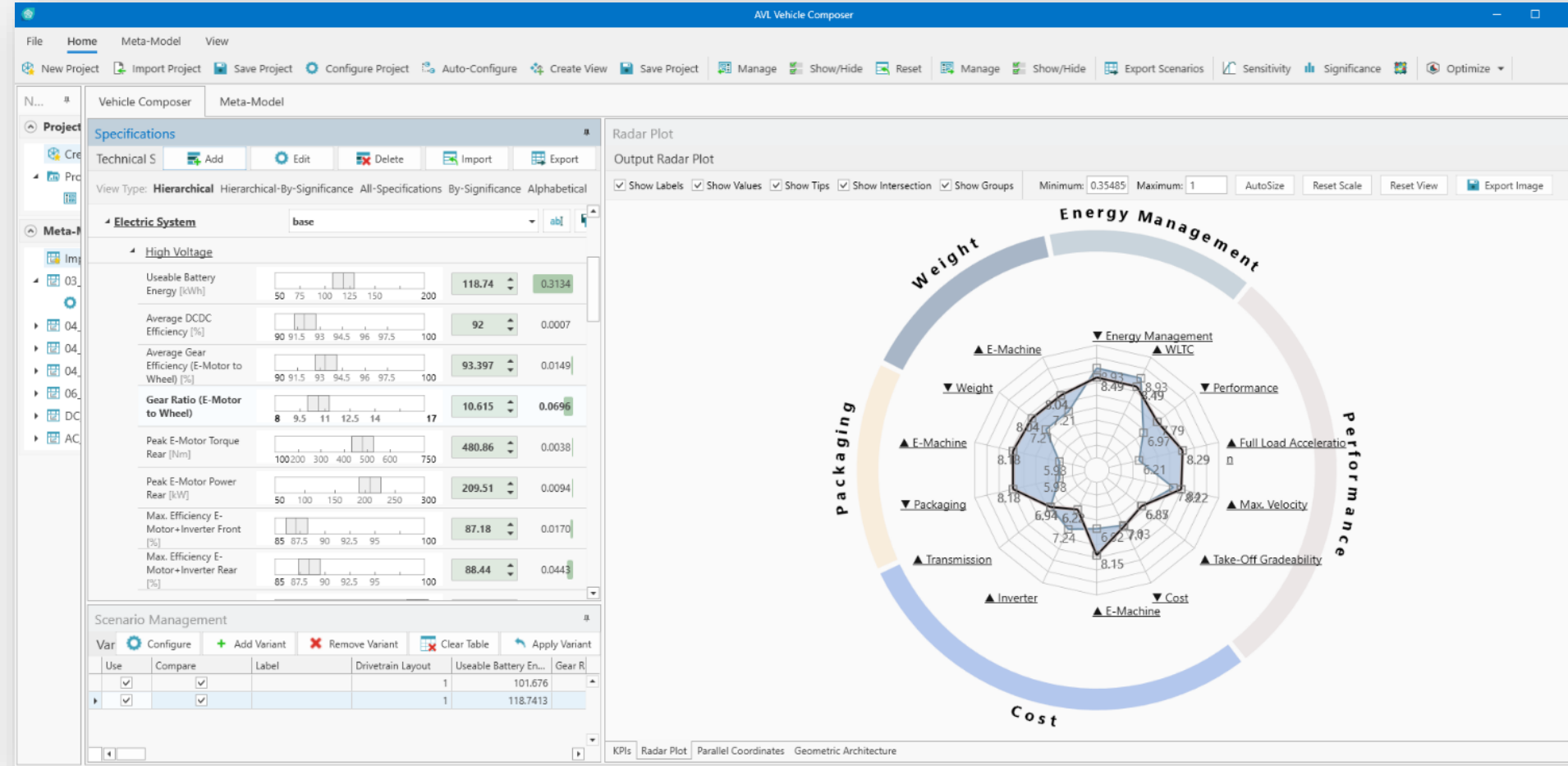
## Techn. Specifications

### PT Components:

- Electric Drive Units (EDU)
- Inverters
- Thermal components

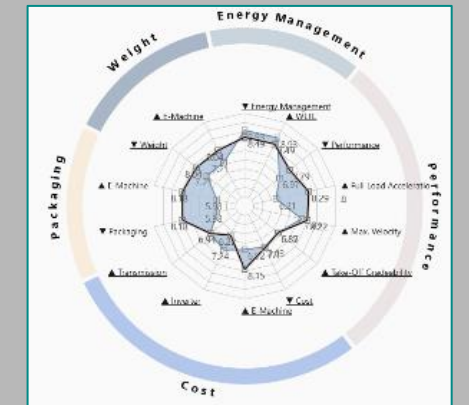
### Specifications:

- Peak torque / power
- Cooling technology
- EM Technology
- Inverter Technology
- # of power-card coolers
- ...

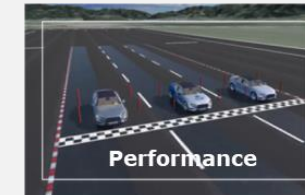
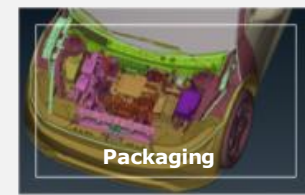


## Vehicle Attributes

- Consumption
- Performance
- Dimensions
- Efficiency
- Weight
- Cost



**Generic AI Predictive Models**  
(integrated in Vehicle Composer)



...and more

**AI Predictive Models from Benchmark Vehicles**  
(Vehicle Model Factory)



**Customer Models (FMU)**





# Customer Reference

# Customer Reference Hyundai



## AI-Based Decision-Making Tool for Concept Definition focusing on Vehicle Handling

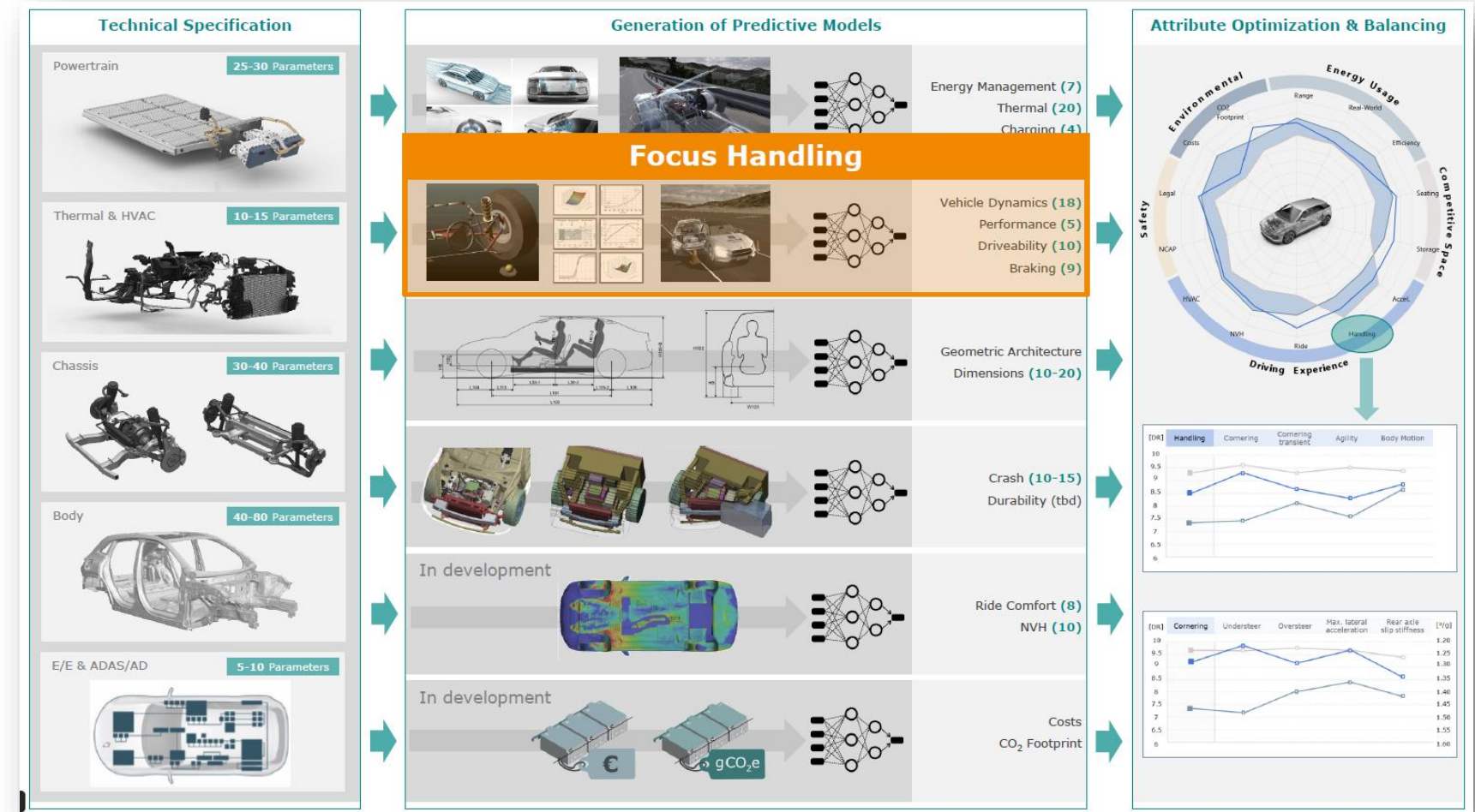
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## Customer Benefit

	Conventional Attribute Engineering	AI Powered Attribute Engineering	
Vehicle Concept Assessment Time	> 9min	< 10ms	Vehicle Handling
Easy to use	no	yes	
∅ Accuracy	> 98%	> 96%	
Interactive Multi-Attribute Balancing Capabilities	no	yes	Multi-Attribute
Vehicle Concept Assessment Time	> 3 weeks	< 10ms	

AI Powered Attribute Engineering enables balancing of cross influences in real-time.

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# Summary

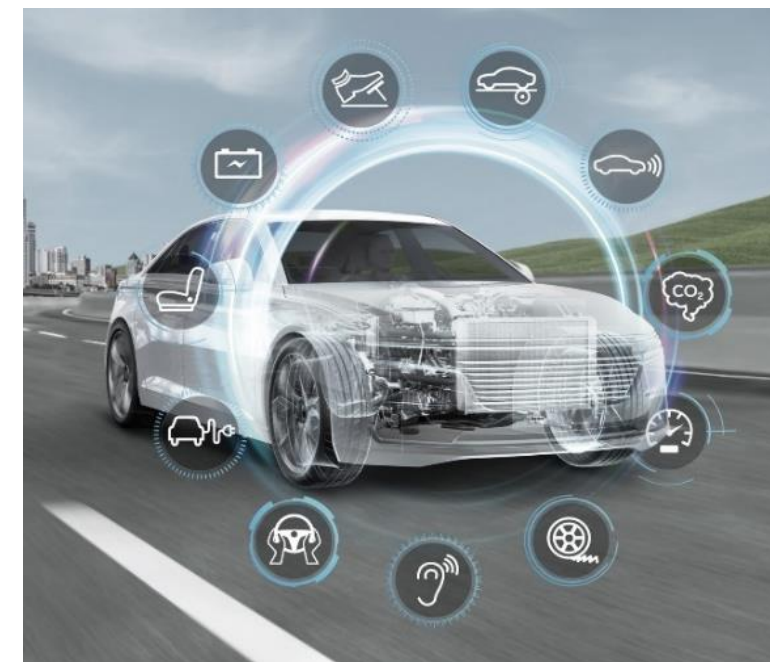


# Why **AVL Vehicle Composer**?



## **Real-Time** Evaluation

Interactive vehicle concept assessment in real-time without CAD / FE models

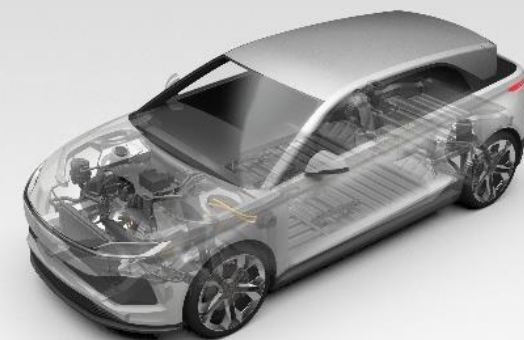


## **10+** Vehicle Attributes

Multi-attribute evaluation enabling balancing of cross influences

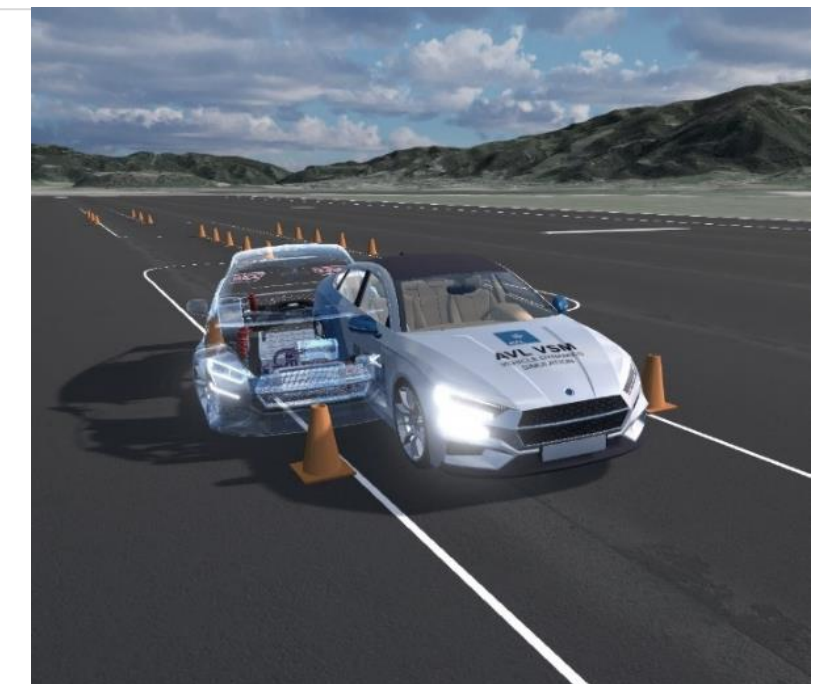
## **6** Vehicle Systems

Covering the entire vehicle to achieve global optimum



## ∅ Accuracy: **96-98%**

Predictive models based on > 1 Mio. single simulations





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