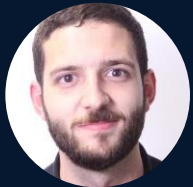




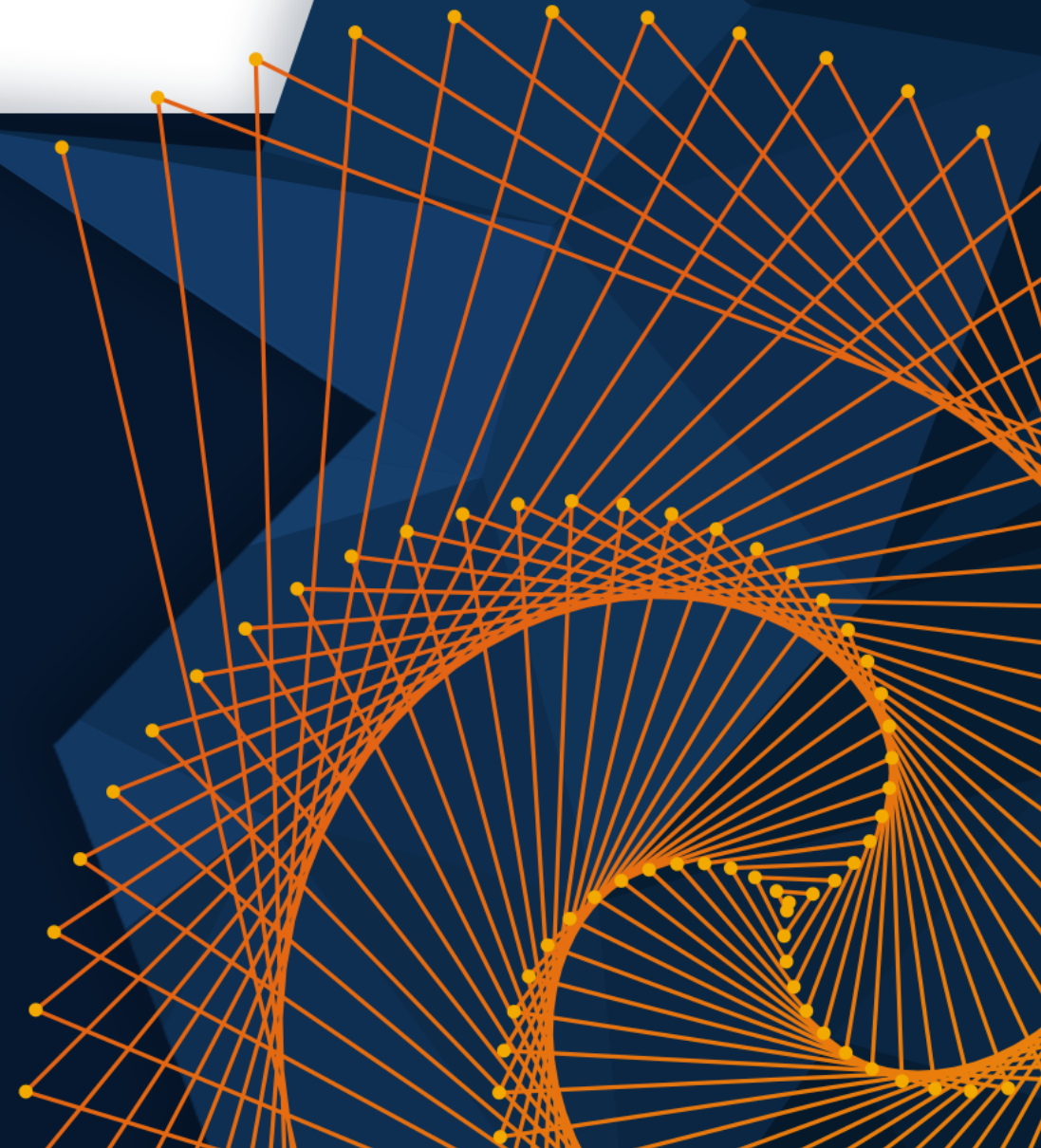
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Powertrain Modeling in Heavy-Duty Vehicles

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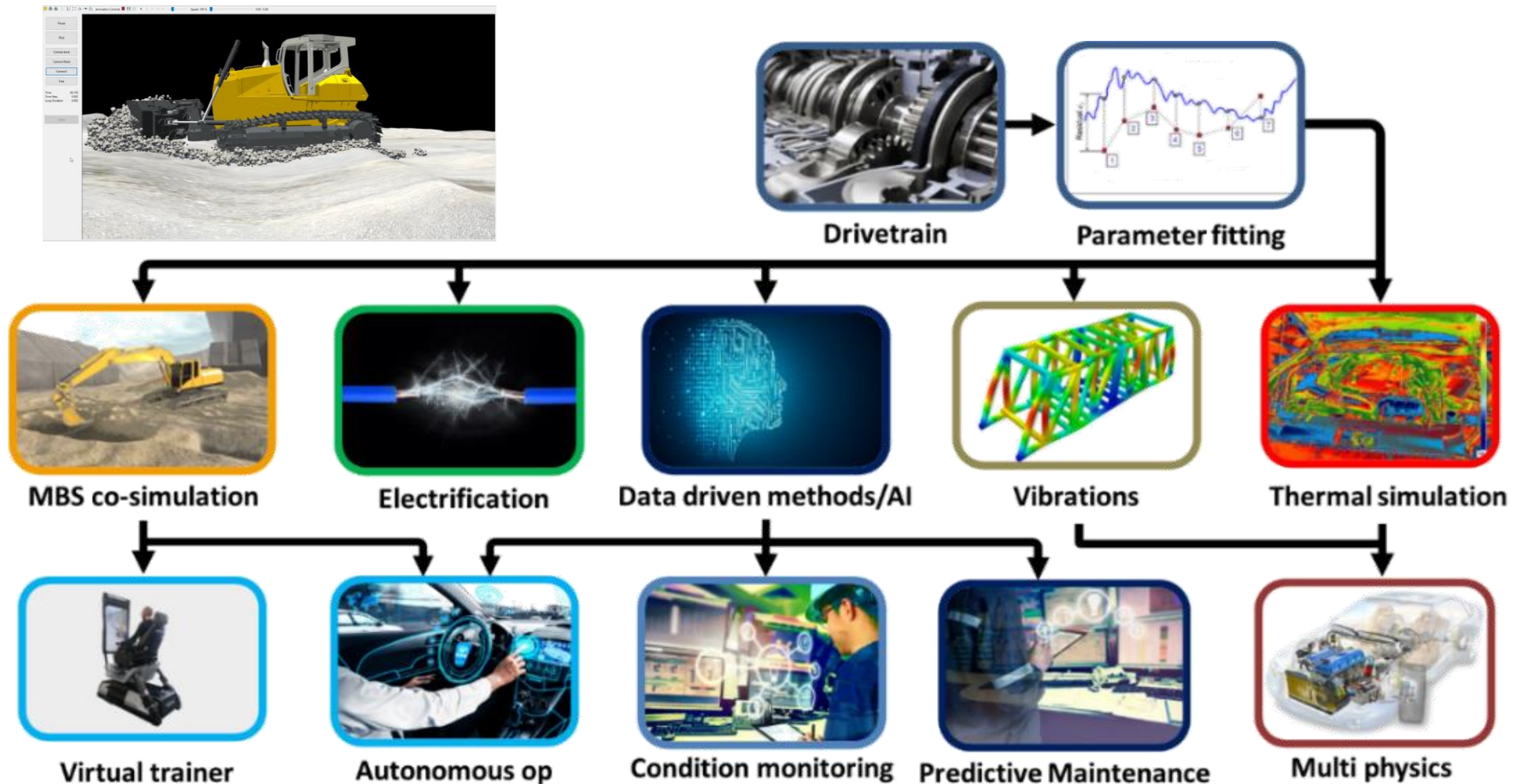
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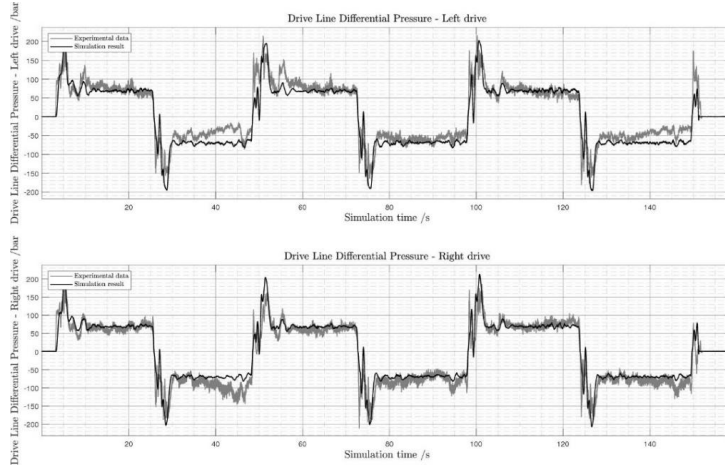
Agenda

- Introduction to the Digital Twin Lab Project (DTL).
Modeling of Powertrains with MATLAB[®] and Simscape[™]
- Development Structure
- Means, Tools and Composition
- Co-Simulation Environment and Simulation Examples
- Current and Future Development
- Overview and Conclusion

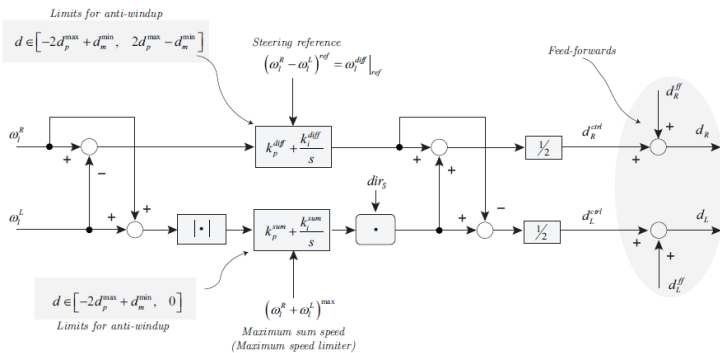
The DTL main objective is to provide all the necessary means to represent multi-physical models of heavy-duty vehicles



Which are the specific use cases this project aims to address?



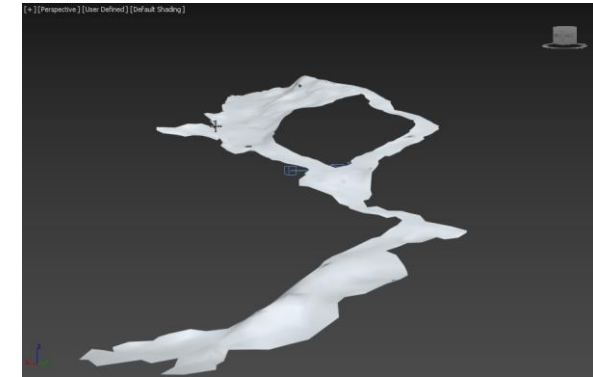
Reliable and detailed digital models of the vehicles



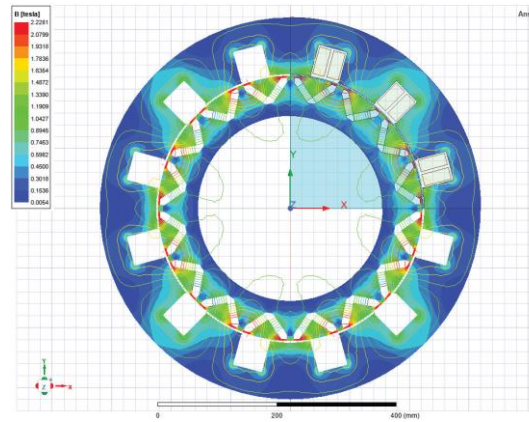
Implement different control strategies



Vehicle-environment interaction



Test behaviour under different field conditions



Design new machines and components, especially new zero-emission variants



Assistive & Autonomous driving strategies

The project partners

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- **Digital Twin Lab Team:**

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 - Manuel Ferdik
 - Jasper Volmer
 - Davide Bagnara
 - Alejandro Secades



- **Liebherr-Werk Telfs**



- **Prinoth AG**

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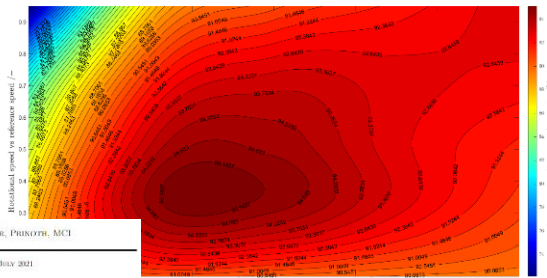
Development structure => Part I.

System foundation comprising the data & components

Simulation-Based Development of Working Machines

DTL Toolbox

- Library of Components
- Documentation
- Data, UI



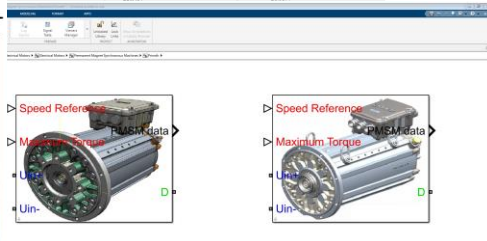
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Development structure => Part II.

Physical modeling of the actual powertrains

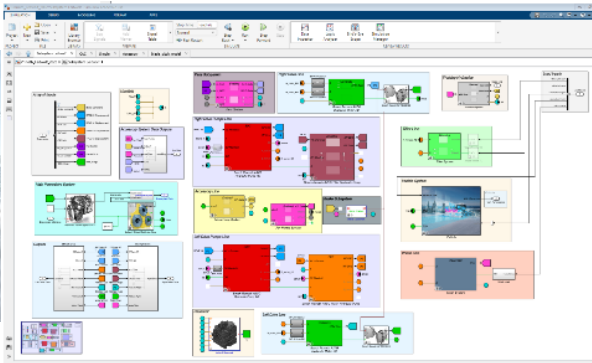
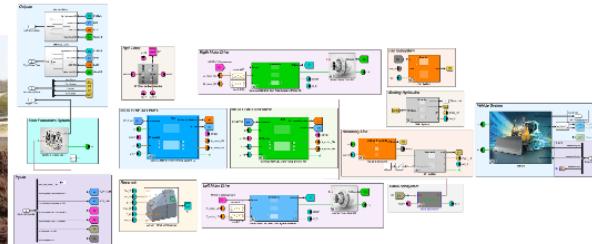
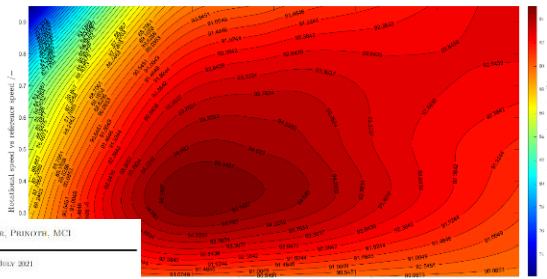
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DTL Toolbox

Powertrain Modeling

- Library of Components
- Documentation
- Data, UI

- 1D Physical Vehicle Models
- Vehicle Control Schemes
- Electrified Drivetrains



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Development structure => Part III.

3D environment interaction with the powertrain

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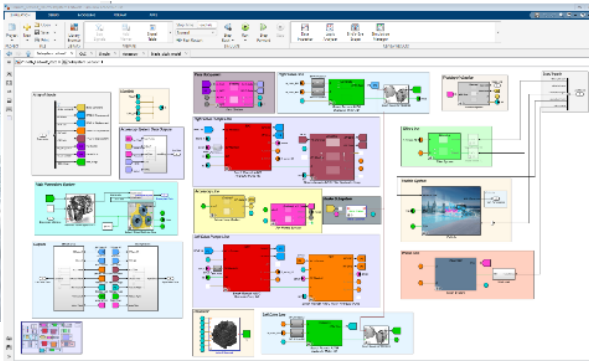
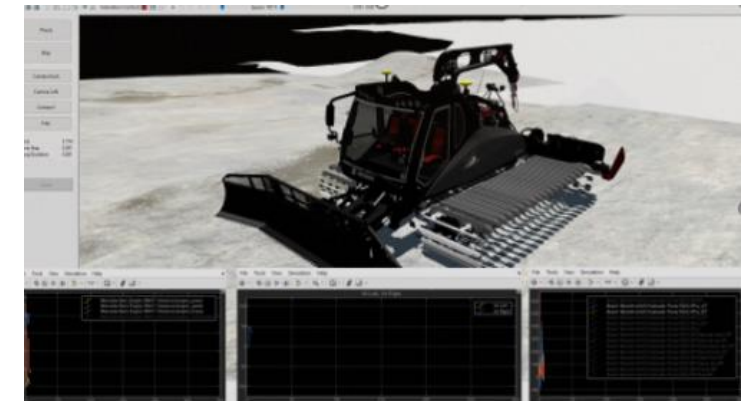
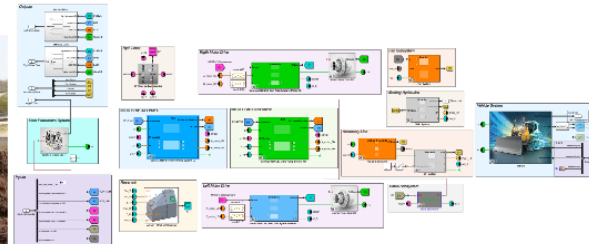
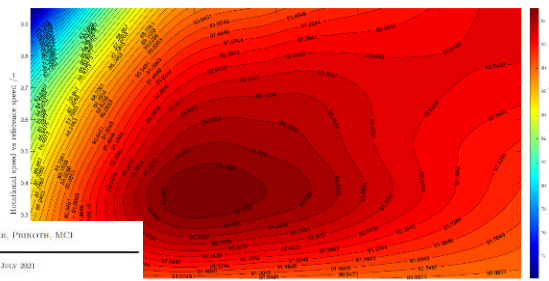
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Powertrain Modeling

- 1D Physical Vehicle Models
- Vehicle Control Schemes
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Multibody Simulation

- 3D Mechanical Models
- Environment (Terrain)



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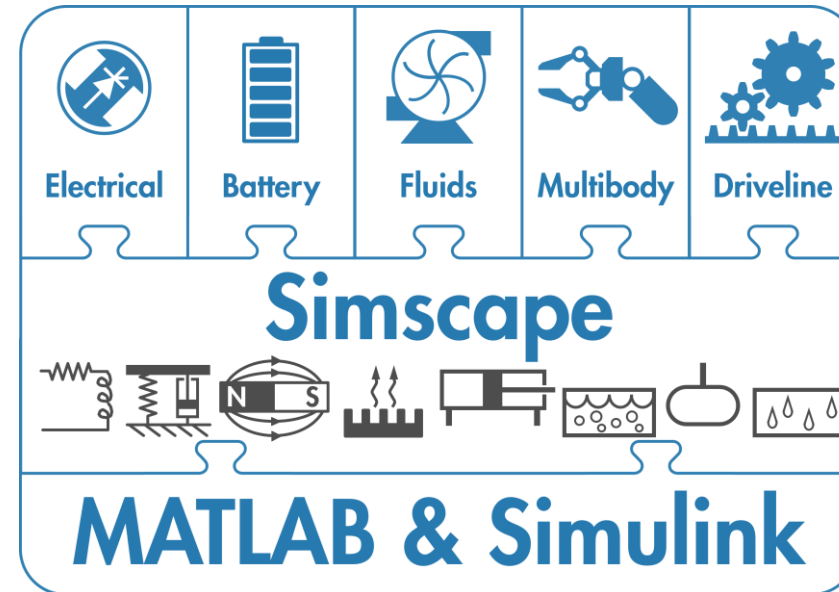
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Simulation integrates designs from many teams for testing on deformable terrain

- **Simulation environment** from MATLAB, Simulink, and Simscape

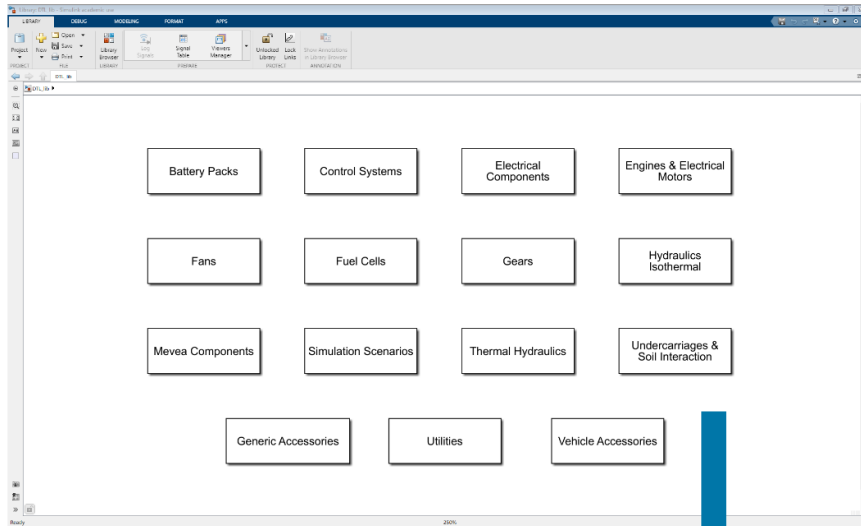


- **Interaction with terrain** modeled in Mevea
 - Multibody simulation software (MBS)

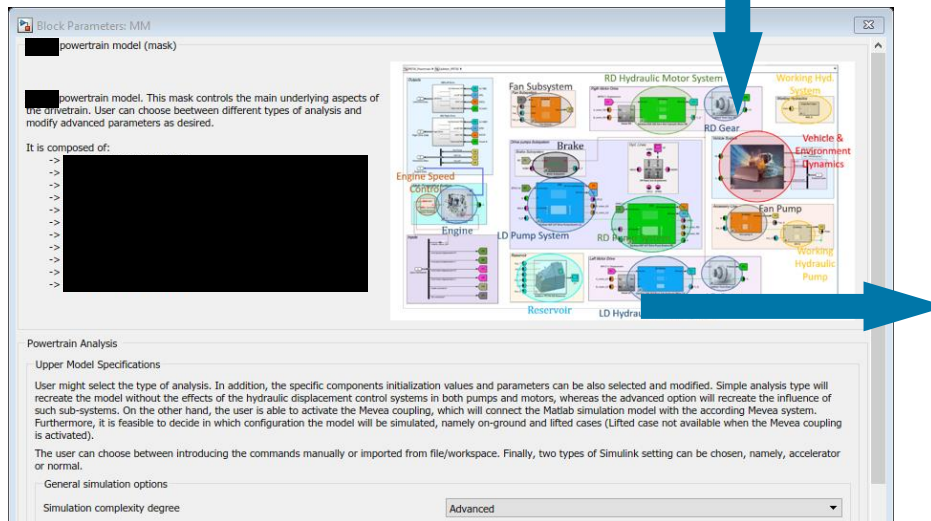


Foundation elements & Powertrains modeled using MATLAB and Simscape

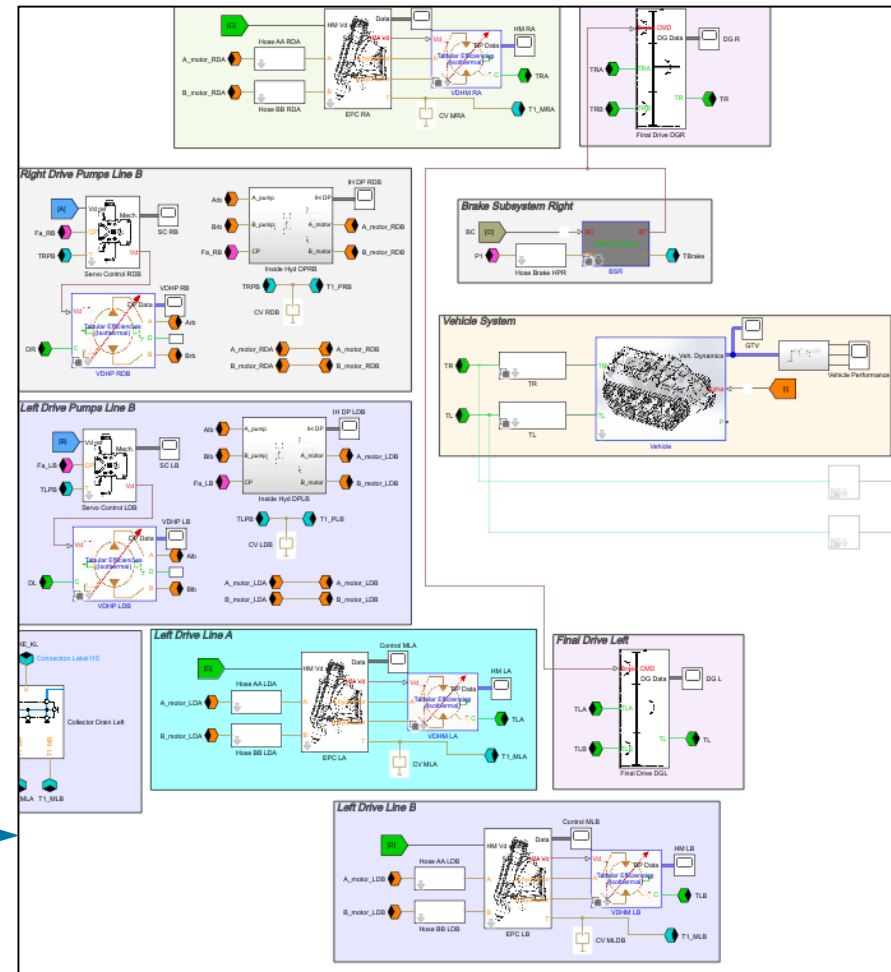
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Powertrain Model



User Guidance

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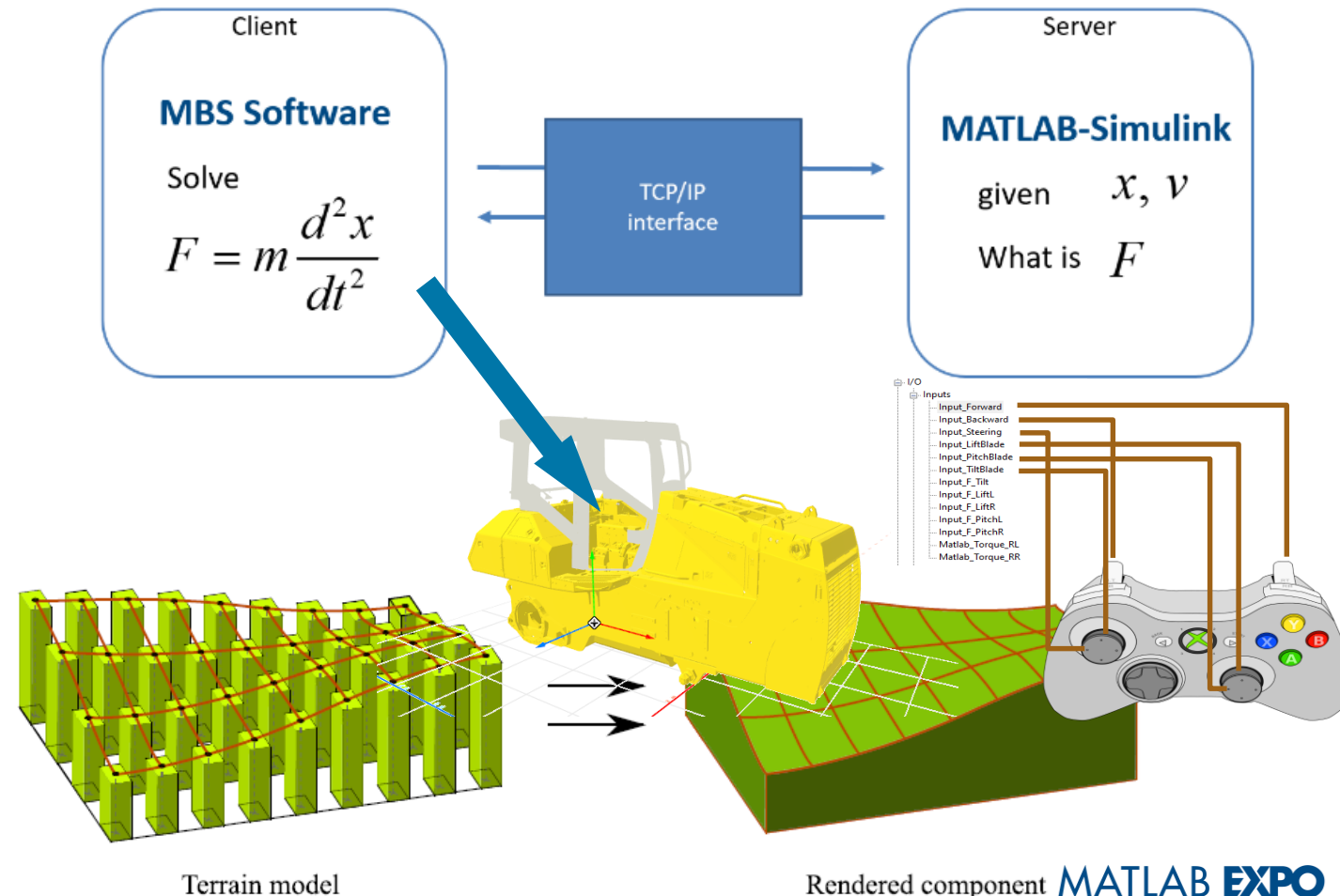
Deformable terrain system modeled in Multibody Simulation Software (MBS) Mevea

- **Co-Simulation** between Mevea and Simulink

- Mevea MBS Software takes user commands for controlling the vehicle
- Relevant boundary conditions are communicated back and forth between the two packages

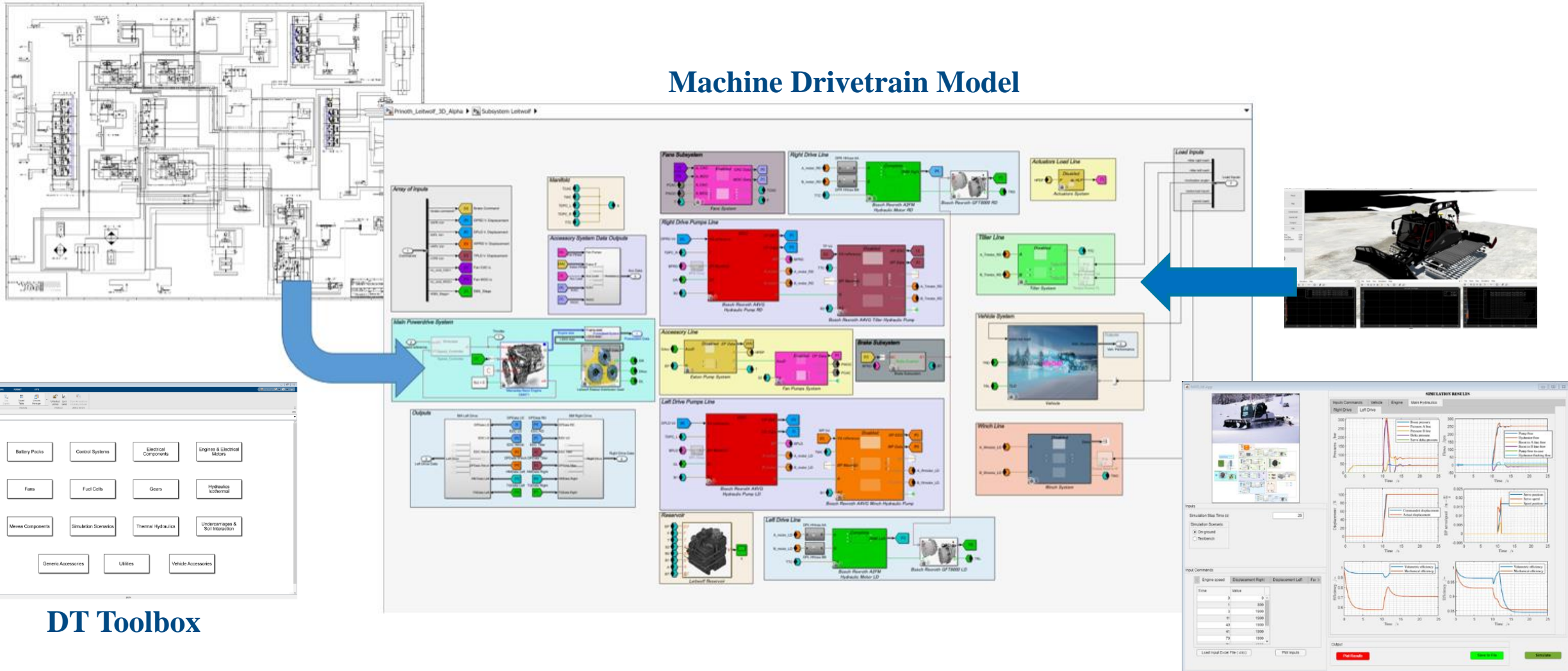
- Mevea provides:

- Rigid bodies + Constraints
- Interaction with the terrain
- Communication with the user

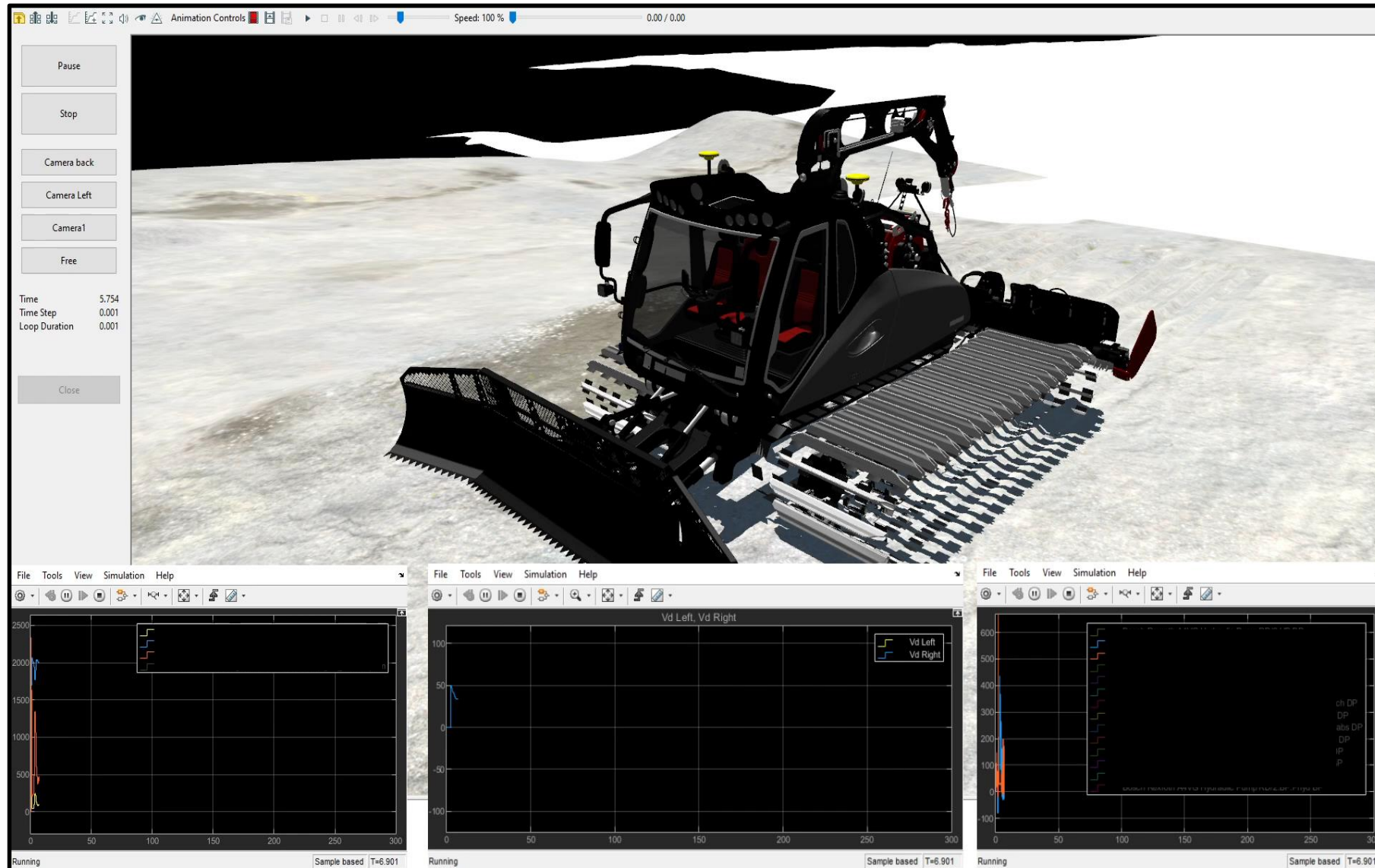


Simulink enables integration of powertrain and machine dynamics => Co-Simulation Environment

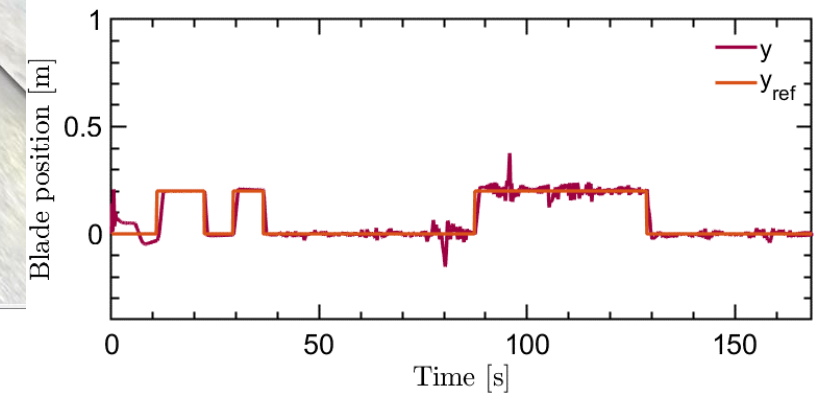
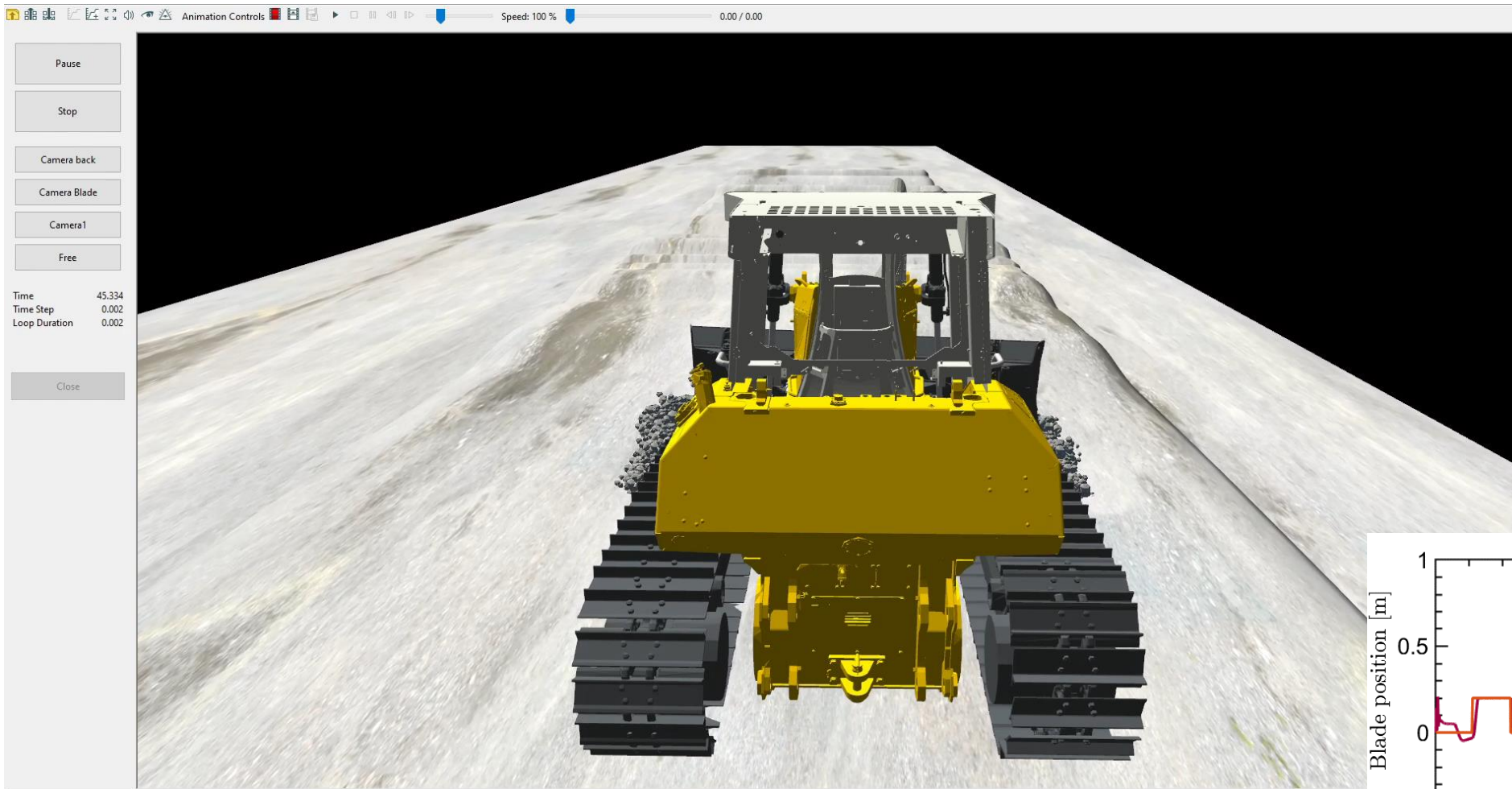
Machine Drivetrain Model



Integrated model captures effect of deformable terrain



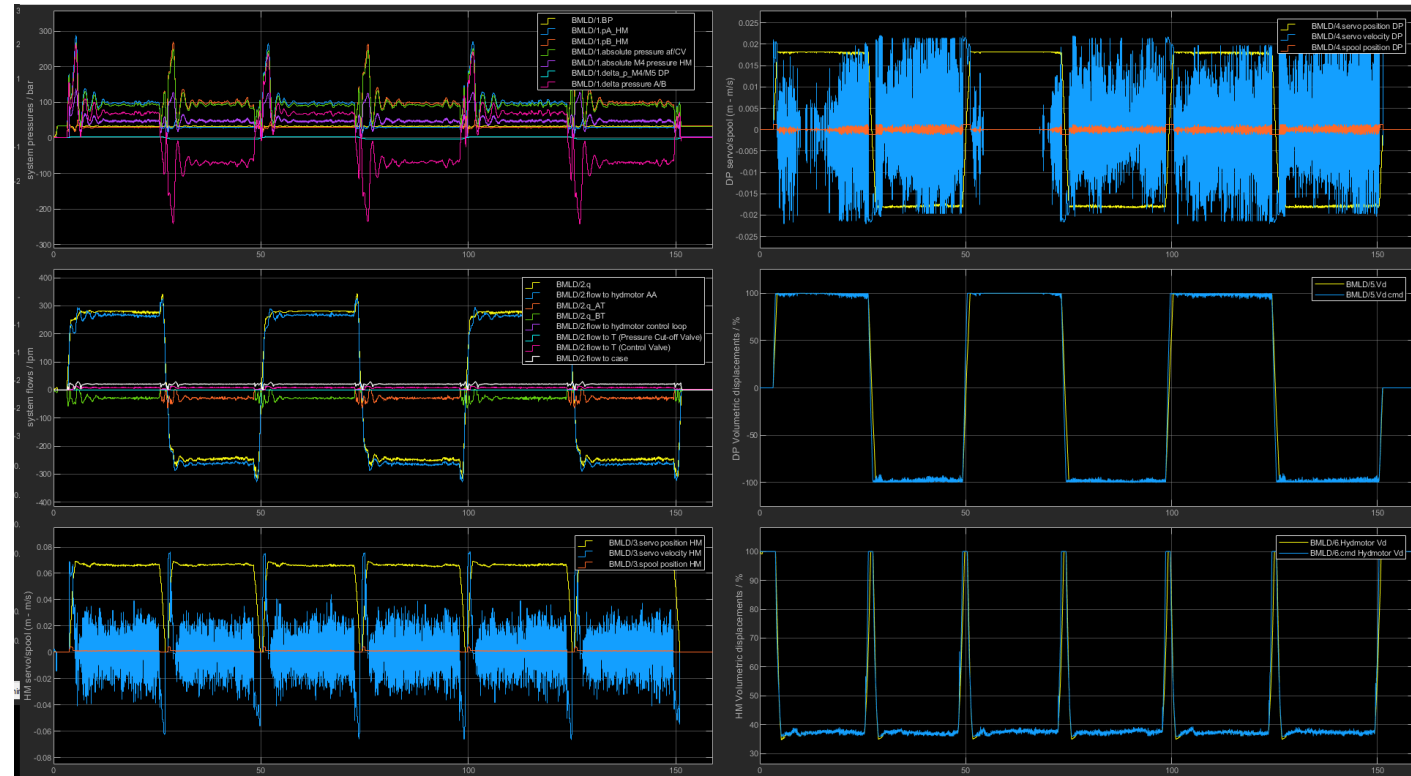
Full model enables testing of blade position control



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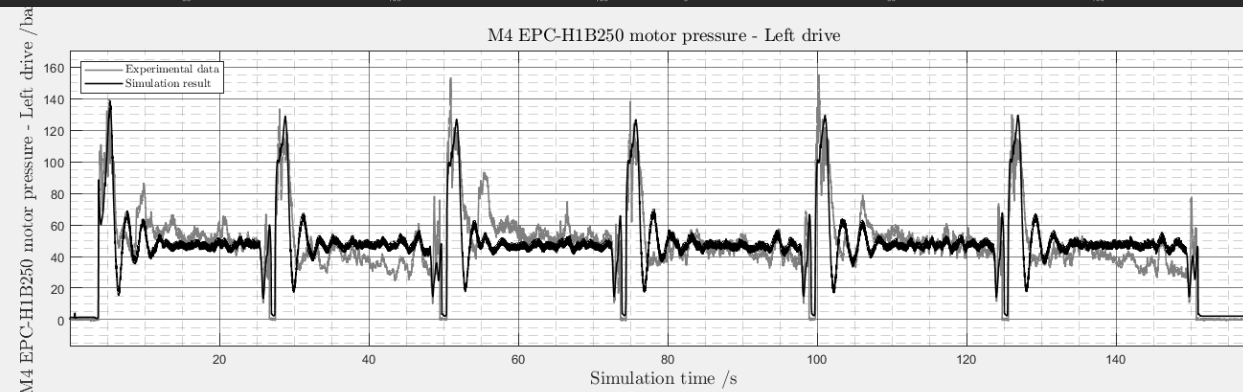
Simulation results can capture the powertrain performance under a variety of scenarios

- Full forwards-backwards field test with real input data & comparison with measured variables



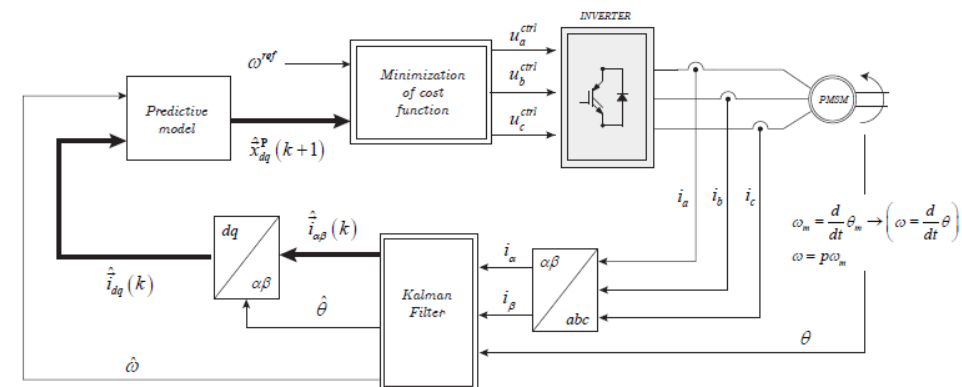
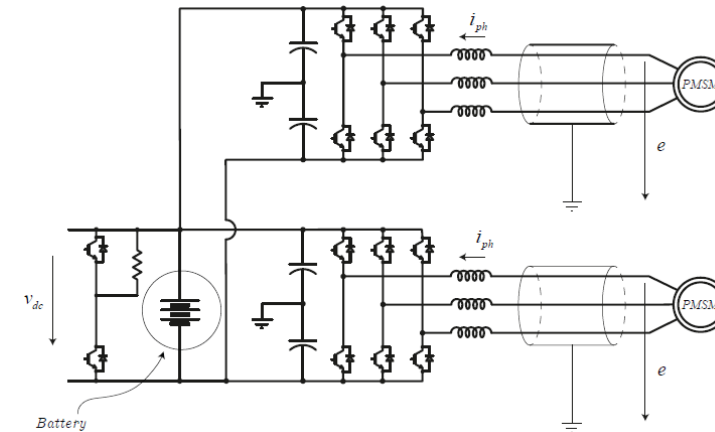
Monitoring of Hydraulic Drive Line

- Example of pressure comparison between simulated and measured values



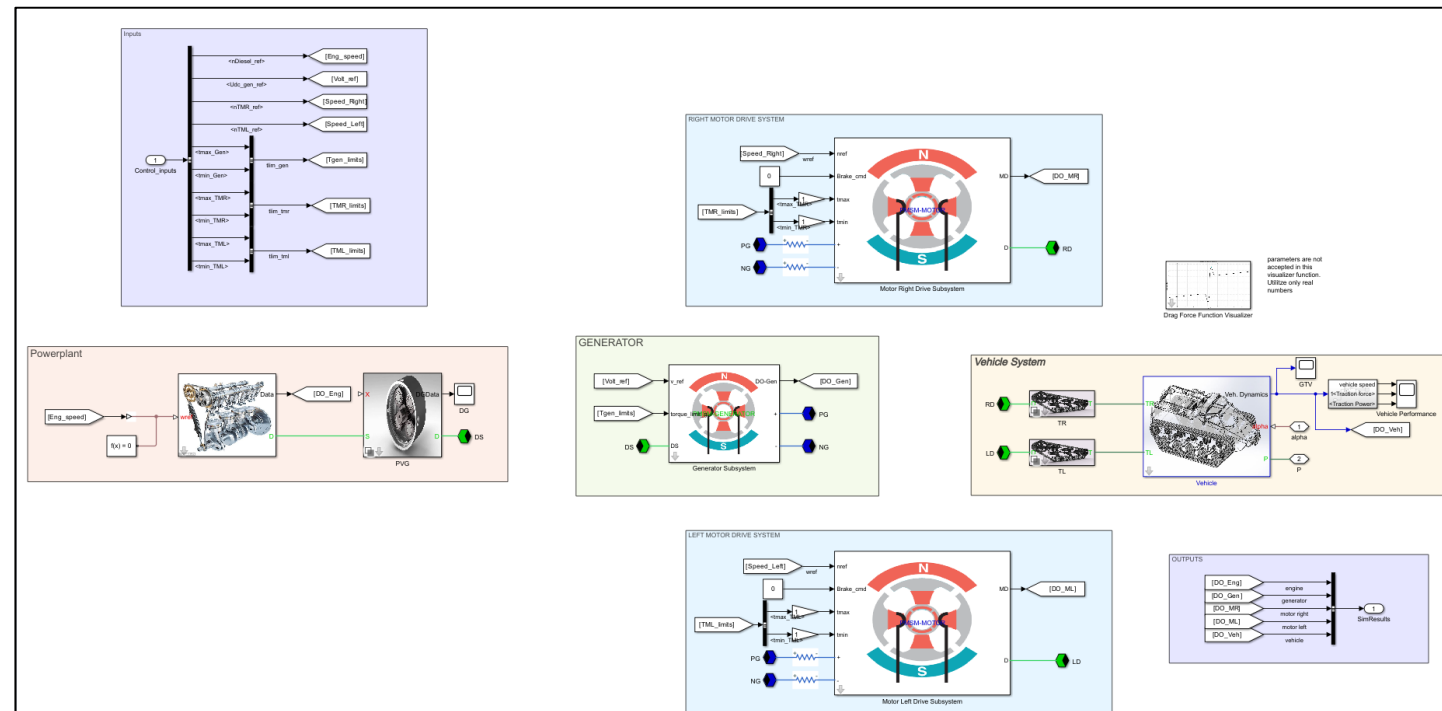
DTL present & future development areas

- State of the art of vehicle-soil interaction characterization and modelling
 - Dissertation Project with the University of Innsbruck.
- Design of alternative powertrains.
- Conception of new advanced vehicle control strategies.



Virtual testing with digital twins improves product development

- Reliably simulate vehicle performance for **all conditions and machine configurations**:
 - Critical working points
 - Minimizing fuel consumption
- Develop new machines and components, especially **zero-emission variants**
 - Hybrid & fully Electric drivetrains
 - Fuel-cell driven systems
- Test and improve **control strategies** and implement **advanced** strategies:
 - Model Predictive Control
 - Neural Network Training.
- Assistive** and **autonomous** driving solutions.



Hybrid Powertrain

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