





Development of a scalable multi-controller ECU for a smart, safe and efficient Battery Electric Vehicle

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Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV Introducing eFuture: a European Project





Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV Introducing eFuture: Safe and Efficient Electrical Vehicle

- Safety
 - 2 front electric motors
 - Agility vs. controlling risk
 - Functional safety (ISO 26262)
- Efficiency
 - Enhancing the driving range by intelligent and anticipatory functions with inclusion of the driver ("virtual range extender")
- Intelligent functional architecture
 - Support of <u>Safety</u> by hierarchic composition and clear task sharing
 - Support of <u>Efficiency</u> by green functions and green parameters







Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV Introducing eFuture: Safe and Efficient Electrical Vehicle



Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV Introducing eFuture: newly Developed Vehicle Components



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Vehicle Head Unit : an Overview



 \rightarrow Central position in the E/E architecture:

- drivetrain control
- energy control
- HMI input
- sensor input
- peripheral actuators

 \rightarrow Control function for HV and LV systems



Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV Software Architecture boundary Conditions

- → Different domains (Decision units, ADAS, HMI, Energy Management)
- \rightarrow Applications contributed by 4 partners
 - responsibility by domain
 - Base SW by HELLA
- \rightarrow Hardware development by HELLA





Development of a scalable ECU for a smart, efficient BEV

VHU solutions (1): scalable multi-controller ECU

- \rightarrow 4 micro controllers
 - distribution of function domains
 - independence
 - monitoring
 - choice of controller
 - standardization
 - scalability
 - interconnected via private CAN
- \rightarrow Choice of peripherals
 - real time clock
 - system basis chips
 - inertial measurement unit
- → Reprogrammable





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VHU solutions (2): robust design

- \rightarrow Paired micro controllers
 - function supervision
 - redundancy
 - drive train
 - HMI
 - sensors & actuators
- \rightarrow System basis chip
 - doubling power supply to micros
 - watchdog
- \rightarrow Connectors
 - redundant power feed
 - redundant CAN
- \rightarrow AUTOSAR based SW
 - decoupled SW modules





Conclusion & Outlook

- → Within an EC funded research project a central ECU for a BEV was developed.
- → The VHU is at the heart of a novel function architecture based on the use of decision units.
- \rightarrow The ECU serves as host for
 - drive train control
 - vehicle level energy management
 - exterioceptive sensors
 - HMI
- \rightarrow The demonstrator vehicle is currently being tested!
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Vehicle Head Unit mounted in engine compartment





Conclusion & Outlook Recent result: roller testing



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