

#### Automotive Ethernet, Holistic Approach for a Next-generation In-vehicle Networking Standard

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#### **Introducing NXP Semiconductors**

NXP Semiconductors provides High Performance Mixed Signal and Standard Product solutions that leverage its leading RF, Analog, Power Management, Interface, Security and Digital Processing expertise

- Headquarters: Eindhoven, The Netherlands
- Employee base:
  - approximately 25,000 employees
  - in more than 25 countries
  - R&D in Europe, US, and Asia
  - Manufacturing in Asia and Europe: 85 % out of own production
- Net sales: \$4.2 B in 2011, over 60% in Asia Pacific
- Customers: Leading OEMs worldwide







## NXP – Automotive Product Portfolio





## **Automotive Transceivers reach 3 Billion**



11 years to the 1<sup>st</sup> billion...

11 quarters to the 2<sup>nd</sup> billion...

11 quarters to the 3<sup>rd</sup> billion....

... to the 4<sup>th</sup> billion in 2012



Milestone in September 2010  $\rightarrow$  3 billion transceivers shipped Every newly produced car has 8 NXP transceivers on board



## Why Automotive Ethernet?

- Communication and bandwidth requirements increase more and more with more complex car applications, e.g. enhanced safety, entertainment
- Car networks like LIN, CAN, FlexRay are not specified to cover increasing demands for bandwidth and scalability
- Network solutions for higher bandwidth are available but expensive
- End users expect in the car same level of data availability as at home
- Future networking technology shall re-use as much as possible from nonautomotive while taking automotive-specific requirements into account

#### Today, car network architectures are of a heterogeneous and

#### historically grown nature



## Domain Architecture, Today and in Future (1)





## Domain Architecture, Today and in Future (2)

- Ethernet is good for backbone bus systems to connect application domains and sub-networks that require higher bandwidth
- Switched Ethernet networks rely on point-to-point comm. and bandwidth is more efficiently used than in broadcast systems (CAN, FlexRay)
- Ethernet is a paradigm shift in design of next-generation car networks to
  - Connect different application domain networks
  - Transport different kinds of data (control data, streaming, etc.)
  - Fulfil stringent robustness demands (Temp, EMC) across network protocols



# **Evolution towards Automotive Ethernet (1)**



- One Pair EtherNet OPEN Alliance; over 50 partners, formed for physical layer
- Standardisation for components, tests based on Broadcom's BroadR-Reach tech.
- Gather requirements for future networks "Reduced Pair Gigabit"
- AUTOSAR addresses Automotive Ethernet in their software layer stack



# **Evolution towards Automotive Ethernet (2)**



- Driver Assistance Systems include several cameras to allow surround view
- High-resolution cameras require high bandwidth (for uncompressed data) transfers
- Backbone architecture is hierarchically organized with domain controllers
- Different data communication classes coexist on the same network
- IP based routing concept eases addressing and allows scalability



#### **BroadR-Reach Ethernet Solution**







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### **EMC Fast Ethernet vs. BroadR Reach**





## Summary

- CAN and FlexRay remain for body and safety-critical communication
- Increasing bandwidth needed for driver assistance and infotainment
- Network topologies will change from decentralised domain-specific architectures to hierarchical architectures that need backbone
- Ethernet provides scalability and flexibility for next-generation networks
- New automotive optimised components required (Ethernet switches, PHY), promising steps taken with BroadR-Reach technology
- Further studies needed to validate the secure coexistence of different data communication classes on the same Ethernet network
- OPEN Alliance and AUTOSAR are driving further standardisation on the hardware and software levels

