

To develop an embedded product for an autonomous car that detects objects and takes corrective actions while driving, the requirements must cover the hardware, software, and environmental constraints. Below is a comprehensive list of requirements to guide the selection of a microcontroller for this project.

## 1. Functional Requirements

### Object Detection

Support for interfacing sensors such as LIDAR, ultrasonic, RADAR, and cameras.

Real-time image processing capability for object recognition and classification.

### Corrective Action

Ability to control actuators for steering, braking, and acceleration.

High-speed decision-making to avoid collisions or maintain safe distances.

### Communication

Support for CAN, LIN, and Ethernet for communication with other car systems.

Ability to interface with GPS and IMU sensors for positioning and orientation.

### Fail-Safe Mechanisms

Redundant systems to ensure reliability in case of hardware or software failure.

Automatic transition to manual driving in case of system failure.

## 2. Performance Requirements

### Processing Power

High-performance ARM Cortex-M or Cortex-A cores capable of handling complex AI/ML algorithms.

Minimum clock speed: 200 MHz.

Support for hardware accelerators (e.g., DSP or AI inference engines).

### Memory

Flash memory:  $\geq 2$  MB for program storage.

RAM:  $\geq 512$  KB for real-time processing.

### Real-Time Operation

Must support real-time operating systems (RTOS) for deterministic behavior.

Low latency for sensor input to action output ( $\leq 50$  ms).

### Power Consumption

Optimized power consumption for automotive environments, with sleep modes and low-power states.

## 3. Hardware Requirements

### Interfaces

Multiple UART, SPI, I2C, and GPIOs for connecting peripherals.

Support for high-speed data interfaces like USB or PCIe.

### Robustness

Temperature range:  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Vibration and shock resistance per automotive standards.

### Safety Standards Compliance

Compliance with ISO 26262 for functional safety (ASIL-B or higher recommended).

## Analog and Digital Input/Output

Support for ADCs and DACs for sensor inputs and control outputs.

## 4. Software Requirements

### Development Tools

Support for standard toolchains like GCC, Keil, IAR, or vendor-specific IDEs.

Debugging capabilities with JTAG or SWD.

### Connectivity

Support for wireless communication standards like Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or 5G for over-the-air updates.

### AI and Machine Learning

Compatibility with AI frameworks like TensorFlow Lite or ONNX for embedded systems.

Hardware or software-based ML acceleration.

### Firmware Update

Secure bootloader for over-the-air firmware updates (OTA).

Encryption and authentication for updates.

## 5. Environmental Constraints

### Automotive Standards

Must comply with AEC-Q100 for automotive-grade microcontrollers.

Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and susceptibility (EMS) compliance.

### Power Supply

Operate within 12V DC automotive systems with tolerance for voltage spikes.

## 6. Cost and Scalability

### Cost Constraints

Affordable while meeting all performance and safety requirements.

### Scalability

Easily scalable for integration into different vehicle models.

S32G3 vehicle network processors combine ASIL D safety, hardware security, high-performance real-time and application processing and network acceleration. S32G3 supports the needs of new vehicle architectures: service-oriented gateways, vehicle computers, domain controllers, zonal processors, safety processors and more.

Functional Requirements:

Object Detection: Integrates high-speed interfaces (PCIe, Ethernet TSN) to connect external vision processors and sensors like LIDAR, RADAR, and cameras.

Corrective Action: ARM Cortex-A53 cores enable real-time decision-making and control of actuators.

Communication: Supports CAN FD, LIN, and Ethernet for robust in-car communication, as well as GPS/IMU integration.

Fail-Safe Mechanisms: ISO 26262 ASIL-D compliance and built-in hardware redundancy ensure reliability.

Performance Requirements:

Processing Power: High-performance ARM Cortex-A53 cores with clock speeds >200 MHz; integrated Neural Processing Unit (NPU) for AI/ML tasks.

Memory: 8 MB Flash and 1 MB RAM exceed the requirements for program storage and real-time tasks.

Real-Time Operation: Supports RTOS for low-latency ( $\leq 50$  ms) operation.

Power Consumption: Automotive-grade power optimization.

Hardware Requirements:

Interfaces: Multiple UART, SPI, I2C, GPIOs; supports PCIe and USB.

Robustness: Operates in  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ , vibration-resistant, and shock-compliant.

Safety Standards: Fully compliant with ISO 26262 ASIL-D.

ADC/DAC: Built-in support for analog and digital input/output.

Software Requirements:

Development Tools: Compatible with GCC, Keil, IAR, and NXP's S32 Design Studio.

Connectivity: Supports Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, 5G for OTA updates.

AI/ML: Compatible with TensorFlow Lite and ONNX; supports hardware ML acceleration.

Firmware Update: Secure bootloader and robust encryption mechanisms.

Environmental Constraints:

Automotive-Grade Compliance: AEC-Q100 certified, with EMC/EMS protection.

Cost and Scalability:

Designed for scalability across different vehicle models.

Cost-effective considering its high functionality.

