

IWR1x Industrial mmWave Sensors Portfolio Overview

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mmWave Sensors – Technology Overview

What is mmWave sensing

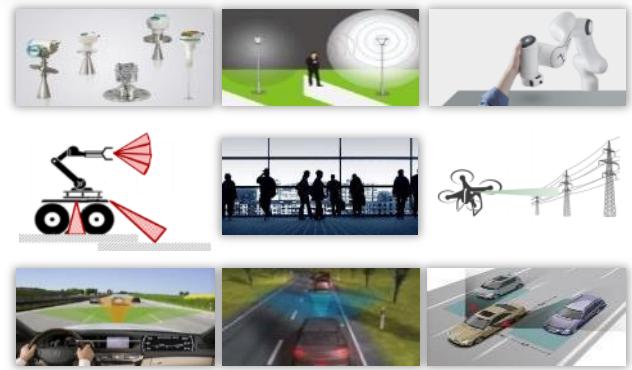
- mmWave is the band of spectrum between 30GHz and 300GHz
- Electromagnetic waves used for sensing, imaging and communications
- mmWave sensors measure with high accuracy **range, velocity and angle** of remote objects

Why Now?

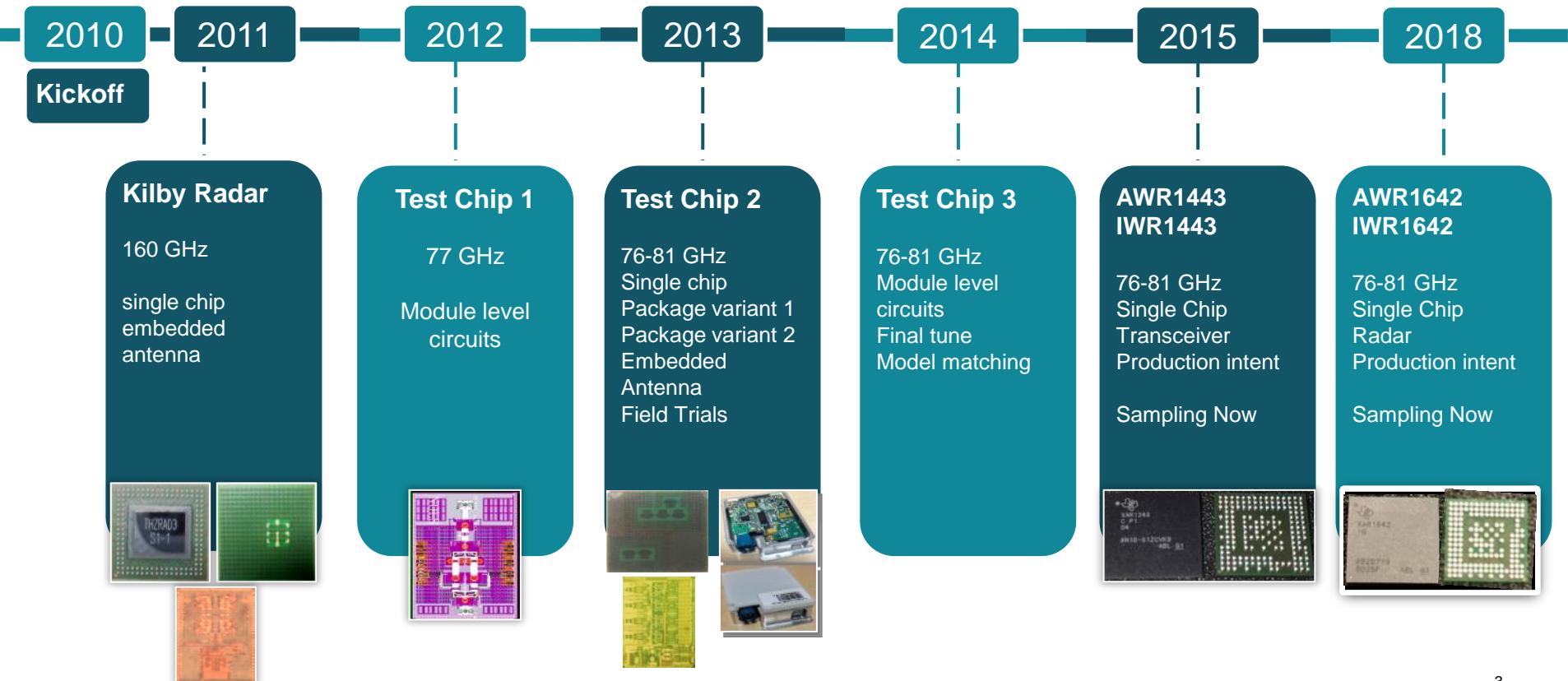
- mmWave technology is robust against environmental influences such as bad light, weather conditions and extreme temperatures
- Range measurement with unprecedented accuracy (<1mm), detect very fine motions, penetration through materials like plastic, fabric, and drywall
- RFCMOS technology enables analog/digital integration in a single low-power, small, single-chip solution

When to use mmWave sensing?

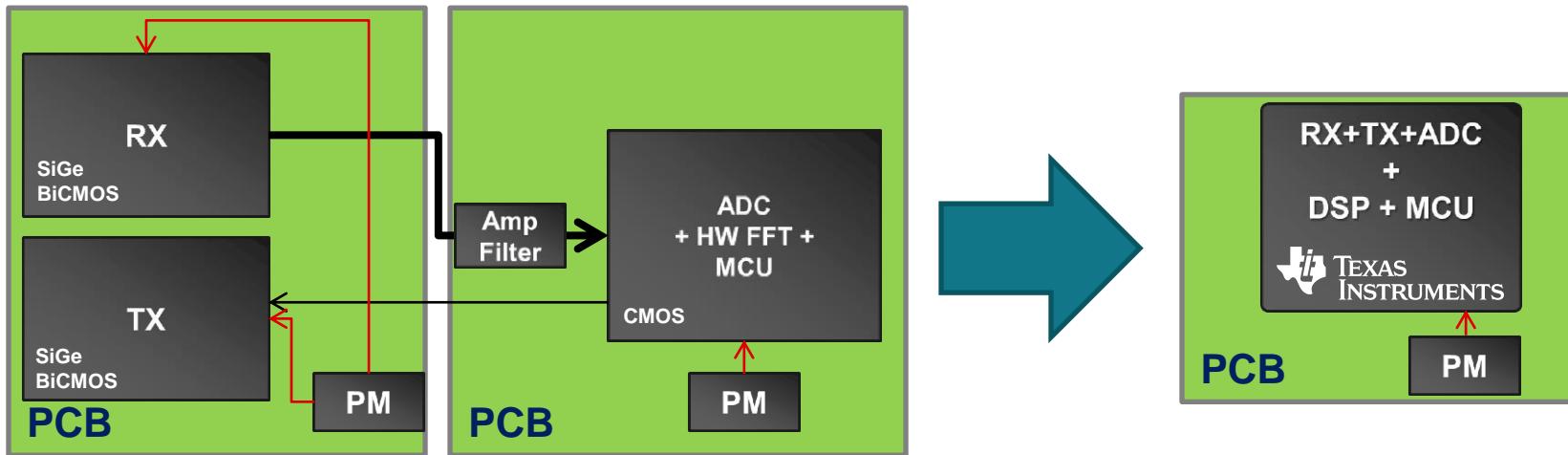
- High precision range measurement – tank level probing, displacement sensing, and vibration monitoring
- Smarter infrastructure – occupancy sensing, traffic monitoring, lighting control, gesture recognition
- Advanced navigation for drones and robotics – sense and avoid, landing assistance, collision avoidance, ground speed sensing
- Automotive - Adaptive cruise control, automatic emergency brake, lane change assist, and more



TI Innovation – Long-Term Investment



TI Innovation – Single-Chip CMOS



Discrete Multi-Chip mmWave Sensor

- Discrete solution – expensive
- Complex and critical signal routes
- Unconventional packaging
- Prone to noise
- Lack of system level observability
- Crude implementation of RF and Baseband safety

TI Single-Chip mmWave Sensor

- Smaller in size
- Simpler design
- Built in monitoring and calibration (SIL)
- High Resolution, less false positives
- Programmable core
- Lower Power

Industrial mmWave Sensors – Typical Performance

Typical Max Range

80m – 150m

Large tank level probing
Perimeter security (vehicles)
Highway traffic flow monitoring

20m – 80m

Drone sense and avoid
Street traffic flow monitoring
Perimeter security (people)

5m – 20m

Small tank level probing
Traffic intersection imaging
Drone landing assistance

3cm – 5m

Gesture recognition
Proximity sensing
High-precision range sensing

Typical Device Performance

Device Output

Raw ADC, Range,
Velocity, Angle

Tuning Range

76-81 GHz

Minimum Range

3cm*

Angle Accuracy

1°

Max Relative Velocity

300 km/hr

Power Output

12dBm

Power Consumption

30mW – 2.7W**

Digital Performance

200MHz R4F
600MHz C674x DSP

* Requires bandwidth stitching

** Depends on duty cycle and chirp design

Performance Estimates – Detection with mmWave

Max/Min Range is a function of antenna design and size of object to be detected

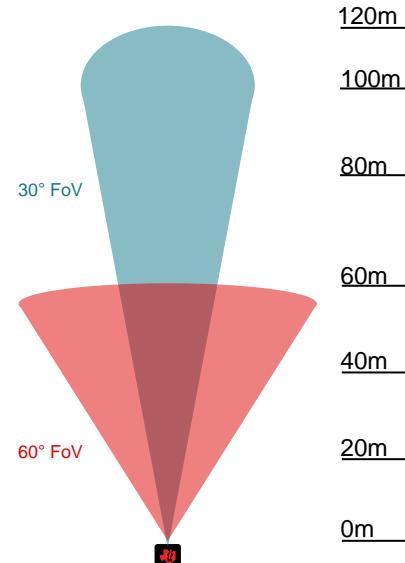
Measured with EVM Antenna Design (120° FoV)

Object	EVM Measured Range (m)									
	5	10	20	30	40	60	80	100	120	160
Car/Truck	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	• ¹	• ¹	• ¹
Motorbike	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Bicycle w/ Human	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Human	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Dog	•	•								

¹xWR1642 EVM using long range chirp configuration from [Traffic Monitoring TI Design \(TIDEP-0090\)](#)

For more detailed information, [view the object range detection application note](#).

Theoretical Antenna Design Performance



Estimated performance at 120m, 30° FoV

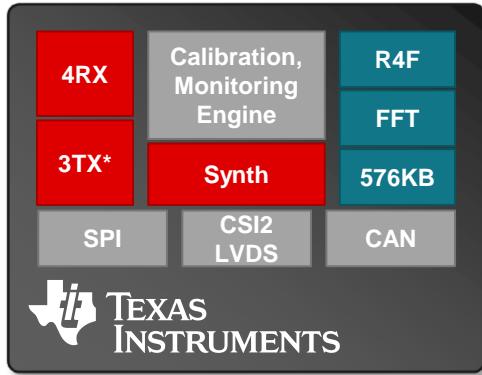
- Detection of **person** (RCS=0.1) and larger objects
- Detection of **motorcycle** (RCS=1.0) possible even with increased FoV to 60°

Estimated performance at 60m, 60° FoV

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Industrial mmWave Sensors – 76-81 GHz

IWR1443



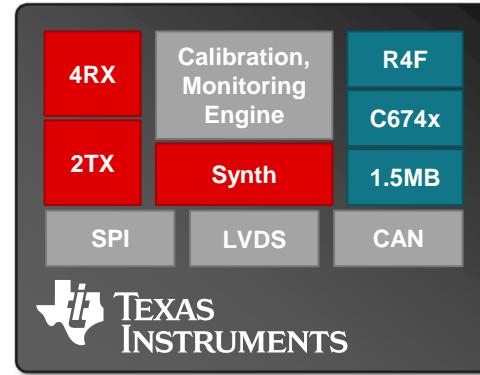
mmWave Sensor + HW Accelerator

- **Use Case**

- Entry-level Single-chip Sensor
 - Power-optimized applications
 - HW acceleration for limited processing

* 2x TX simultaneously

IWR1642

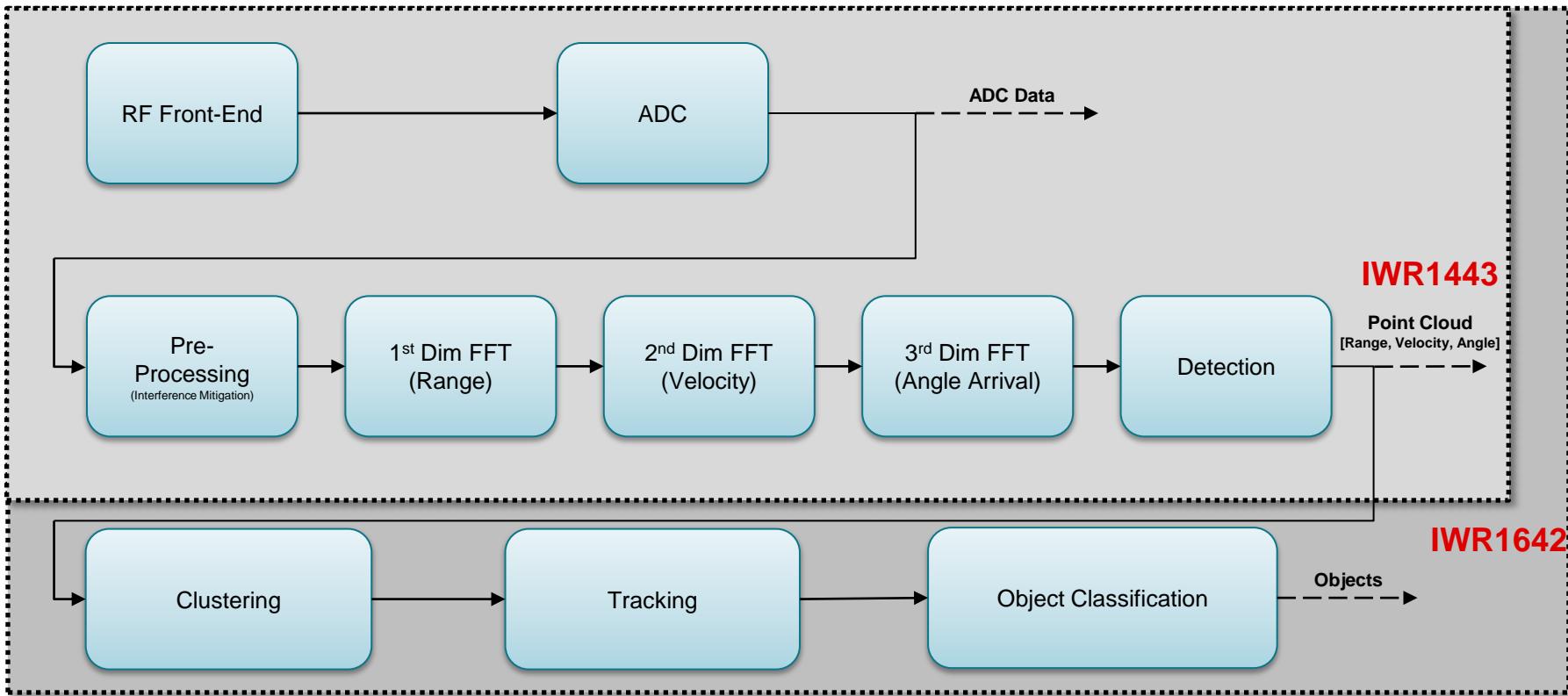


mmWave Sensor + DSP

- **Use Cases**

- Full functionality single-chip radar
 - Increased on-board memory for higher range and resolution measurement
 - On-chip DSP for advanced algorithms

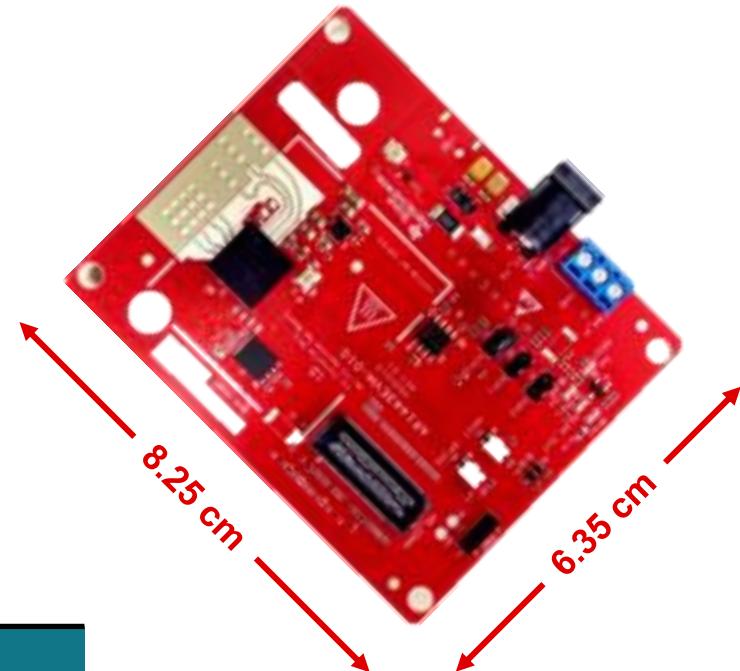
IWR1xxx mmWave Signal Processing



IWR1x Evaluation Modules

- Platform for out of the box evaluation and rapid prototyping
- Includes reference schematics, layout, and BOM
- Interfaces:
 - USB for debugging and emulation
 - High-speed interface for raw ADC capture
 - BoosterPack headers
- DevPack board for additional expansion

PCB Antenna	Max Range	FOV
3x TX / 4x RX	~60m	A: $\pm 65^\circ$ E: $\pm 15^\circ$



IWR1x Evaluation Modules

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Layer	Stack up	Description	Type	Base Thickness	Processed Thickness	ϵ_r	Copper Coverage	Mask Thickness
1		Rogers 4835 4mil core H/1 Low Pro	Rogers 4835	0.689	2.067	100.000		
2		Iteq IT180A Prepreg 1080	Dielectric	4.000	4.000	3.480		
				1.260	1.260		73.000	
3		Iteq IT180A Prepreg 1080	Dielectric	4.195	2.830	3.700		
4		Iteq IT180A 28 mil core 1/1	FR4	28.000	28.000	4.280	69.000	
				1.260	1.260		48.000	
5		Iteq IT180A Prepreg 1080	Dielectric	4.195	2.691	3.700		
		Iteq IT180A Prepreg 1080	Dielectric	4.195	2.691	3.700		
6		Iteq IT180A 4 mil core 1/H	FR4	4.000	4.000	3.790	72.000	
				0.689	2.067		100.000	

expansion

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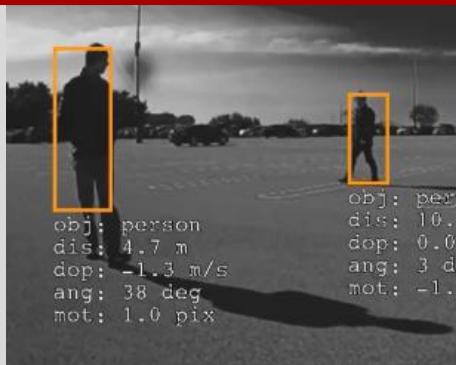


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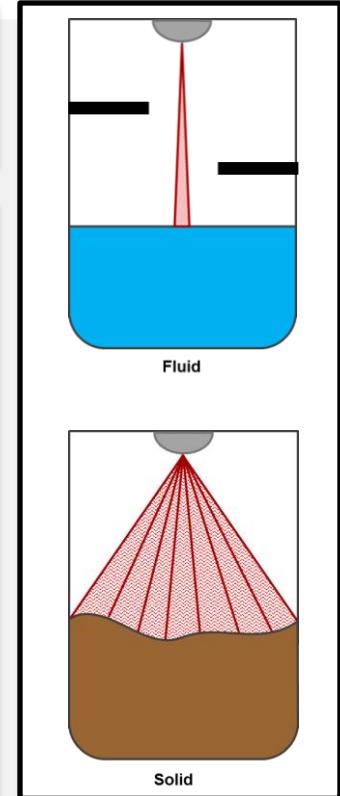
Adding highly-accurate, fully-integrated displacement sensing for precision range measurement in Tank Level Probing and other precision measurement markets

- **Ultra Accurate** – sub 100um accuracy with +/-15um precision
- **Long Range** – sense far away displacement at 100+ meters
- **Robust** – insensitive to environmental conditions such as dust and humidity, and can be easily packaged for hazardous environments

Level Transmitter - Overview

- Highly-accurate, fully-integrated displacement sensing for precision range measurement in Level Transmitter and other precision measurement markets
- Enable measurements of **fluid and solid levels** in small (<1m) to large (100m+) banks

Typical Tank Sizes	Typical Device Performance		Level Sensing Benefit
100m+	Output	Raw ADC, Range, Velocity, Angle	Flexible interface to connect to existing systems
10m – 100m	Tuning Range	76-81 GHz	Narrow beam to avoid clutter, smaller antenna and lenses
1m – 10m	Chirp BW	4GHz (5GHz*)	Measure closer to the tank floor and ceiling
<1m	Power Output	Up to 12dBm	Detect in small and large tanks with the same platform
	Power Consumption	25mJ/measurement	4-20mA two-wire interface capable
	MIMO	4RX x 3 TX + cascading	Accurate surface mapping for solid level sensing



* Requires bandwidth stitching

mmWave Level Sensing Field Transmitter – TIDEP-0091



Features

- Industry's first Single Chip 77Ghz FMCW radar with integrated RX, TX, ADC, MCU and FFT accelerator.
- 4Ghz chirp bandwidth (can be extended to 5Ghz*).
- Power optimized mmWave operation at low frame rate for usage in 4-20mA current loop powered applications.
 - Using MSP432 to duty cycles IR14xx power between measurements
- IR1443 EVM connects to MSP432 EVM using standard launch pad connectors.

Target Applications

- Targeted at Level Sensing Applications such as
 - Industrial tank probing (fluid Level sensing).
 - Height sensing for industrial transport applications e.g. Forklifts, Drones and industrial robotics etc.

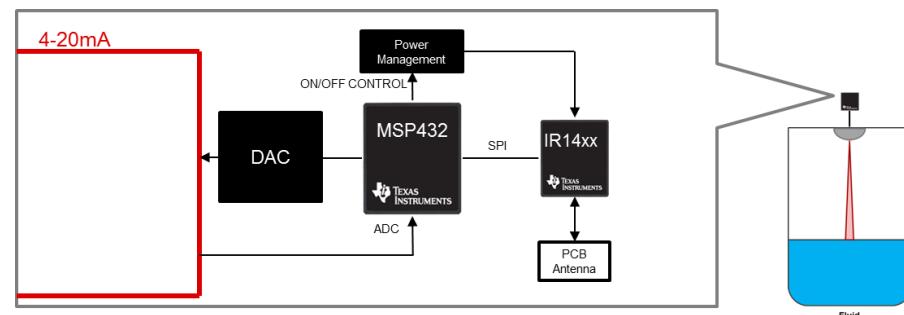
Tools & Resources



- TIDEP-0091 Tools Folder**
 - TI Design Guide
 - Relevant Design Files (integrated schematics, BOM,
 - mmWave level probing white paper
 - *Bandwidth stitching app note
- Device Datasheets:**
 - [IWR1443](#)
 - [MSP432](#)

Benefits

- Single chip solution significantly reduces system Cost, Size, Weight , Power and design complexity.
- Wider bandwidth provides higher accuracy and less false positives.
- On-chip programmable R4F core enables customers to implement proprietary radar signal processing using HW FFT as required.
 - External MCU can be a low-cost device used only for power management, with primary radar signal processing performed on the IR14xx device.
- Etched antenna on the IR14xx EVM provides a complete mmWave radar evaluation platform.



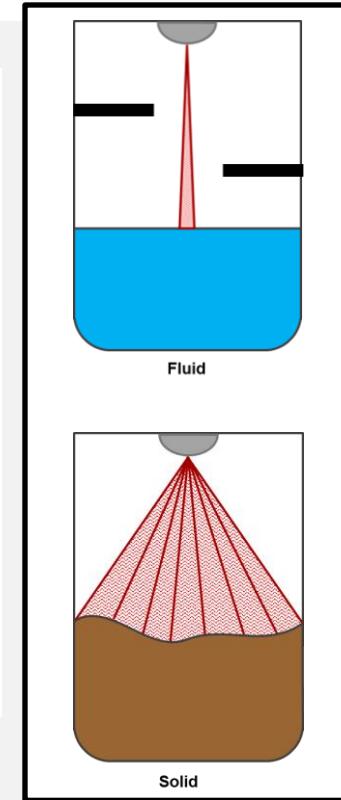
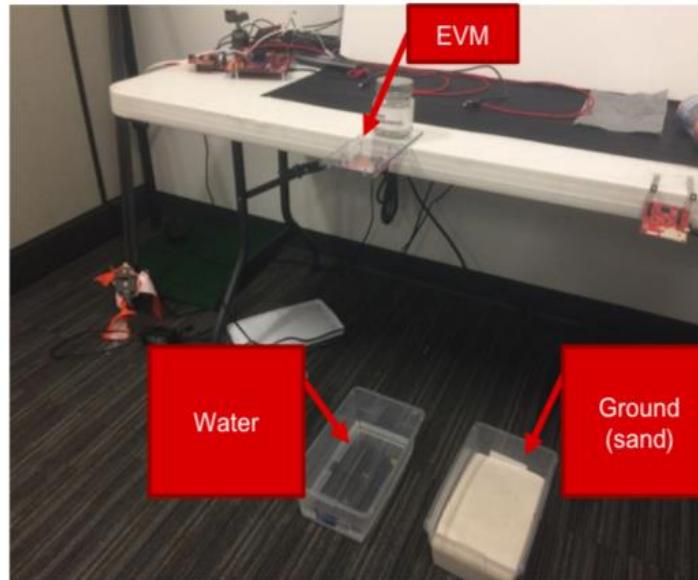
Summary of Capabilities 1642

HW Setup Antenna	Target Material	Range Accuracy (mm)	Max Range (m)	TX power (dBm)	Active Chirp Time (msec)	Range x Zoom FFT	Range Resolution (cm)	Processing Time (msec)
IWR1642 EVM	water	0.01	10	12	1.2	512x512	4.3	<10
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			50		1.22	512x512	11.5	<10
			70		1.34	1024x1024	11.5	>10
IWR1642 EVM	water	1.0	50	12	1.22	512x512	11.5	<10
			100		1.22	512x512	22	<10
			140		1.31	1024x1024	22	>10
IWR1642 Horn	oil	0.01	20	4	1.2	512x512	4.5	<10
			45		1.23	1024x1024	5.0	<10
IWR1642 Horn	oil	0.5	20	-10	1.2	512x512	4.5	<10
			50	-3	1.22	512x512	11.5	<10
			70	-1	1.34	1024x1024	11.5	>10
IWR1642 Horn	oil	1.0	50	-9	1.22	512x512	11.5	<10
			100	-3	1.22	512x512	22	<10
			140	-1	1.31	1024x1024	22	>10

- Accuracy of 0.01 mm to 1 mm with range of 20 m to 140 m
 - With horn antenna and oil we are range bound mostly by 5MHz IF BW, and the power constraints which translate to active chirping time and processing time constraints.
 - Secondary is memory constraint solved by custom/special FFT algorithm implementation.

Water vs Ground classification - Overview

- TI xWR 1443 mmWave radar sensor used to differentiate between water and ground.
- Fundamental principle: Detect extremely fine movement of the target using phase measurement.
- Ripples in water introduce measurable phase difference in the reflected signal which is used to classify water from a solid surface
- CCS project along with source code provided.



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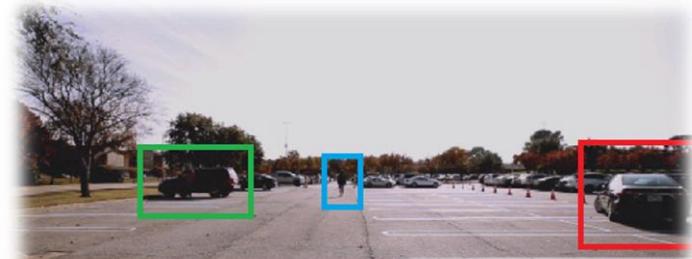
Adding robust, small form-factor detection and sensing around buildings, cameras, and doors

- **Powerful** – range, velocity, and angle information
- **Robust** – insensitive to environmental and lighting conditions. Indoor/outdoor, smoke, rain.
- **Fully-Integrated** – single-chip radar for smaller design sizes, reduced HW complexity, and integrated processing
- **C674x DSP** – performance for advanced algorithms such as filtering and object classification

Why mmWave Sensors in Building Automation

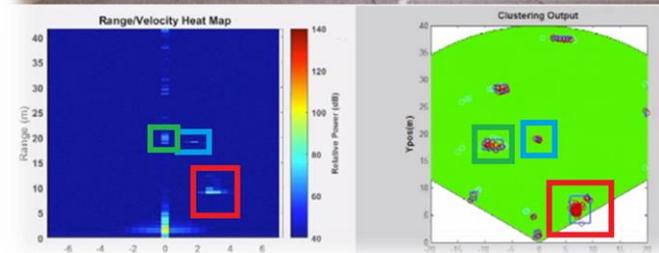
Accurate Range, Velocity, Angle Info

- mmWave can provide high-accuracy range, velocity, and angle information about objects in scene.
- Very sensitive to motion, detect heartbeat
- Sense distances short (5cm) and long (150m+)



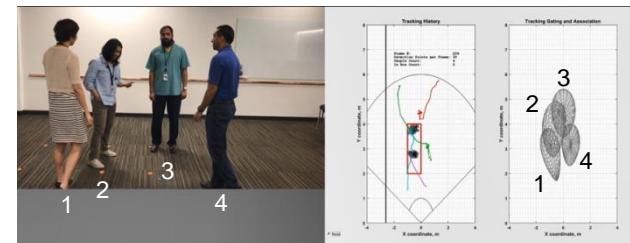
Environment Insensitivity

- mmWave is uniquely insensitive to the weather and lighting conditions.
- For robust indoor/outdoor sensing in all lighting, smoke, fog, rain



Added System Intelligence

- Integrated processing allows for smaller form-factors
- System intelligence with novel algorithms such as clutter removal and classification



Building Automation – Technology Comparison



Passive Infrared

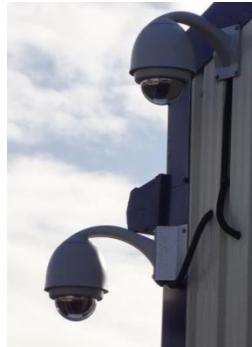
Measures change in infrared light to detect motion

Pros:

- Simple, low power consumption ($\mu\text{A}\text{-mA}$)

Cons:

- Low sensitivity to motion
- False detection outdoors from sunlight, temperature
- Limited range (5-10m), no position/range information



Cameras

Video image processor analyzes imagery to determine people movement and behavior

Pros:

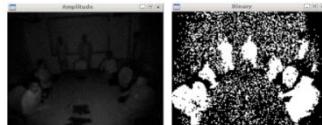
- Algorithms applied for variety of applications
- Video for recording and monitoring

Cons:

- False detection from shadows, occlusion, day/night cycles, changing environment.
- No position/range information
- Privacy considerations

Active Infrared (3D ToF,

Measurement of infrared light time of flight



Pros:

- High angular resolution provides rich dataset similar to camera
- Limited range in presence of sunlight (5-10m)
- Requires substantial processing to separate and classify relevant objects
- System complexity (optics, illumination, processing)



TI 77 GHz mmWave

TI's fully-integrated, single-chip 77GHz mmWave radar

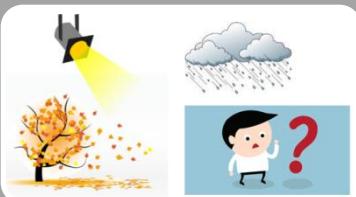
Pros:

- High sensitivity to motion (breathing, typing)
- Simple static and dynamic object separation
- Onboard DSP processing for single-chip tracking, classification of objects
- Extended range for person detection (50m+)
- Insensitive to weather, changing environments

Cons:

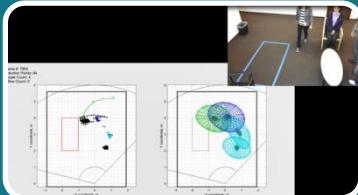
- Lower angular resolution than camera or active infrared

Building Automation – Problems to Solve using mmWave



False Detection – Fine Motion

- Sensing systems to detect occupancy today are prone to false detection
- In security, all detection events must be responded to by a person (camera, guard, police)
- Costs \$\$\$, false detection desensitize responders to real threats
- Need sensing systems that can ignore common false detection sources (environment, objects, movement outside ROI)



People Localization and Counting

- Locating and counting people can be done today, but requires complex and expensive technologies like stereo vision and 3D ToF
- Doing this accurately requires expensive processing and complex SW.
- Need for less expensive, higher accuracy solutions
- **TI mmWave on-board processing enables counting and tracking of multiple people in single-chip**



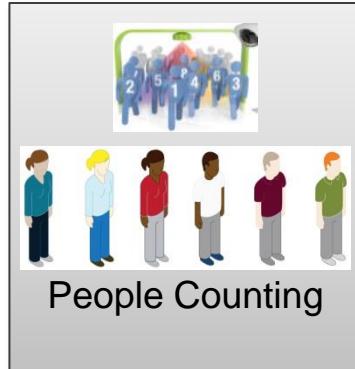
Motion Classification

- Classification of objects and motion such as determining if John, a forklift, or a dog has just moved into a ROI
- Can be done today, but requires complex and expensive technologies like vision processors.
- Need for less expensive solutions that require less complex SW implementations
- **TI mmWave range, velocity, angle, data along with point cloud size can be used for classification**

Vision for mmWave in Building Automation



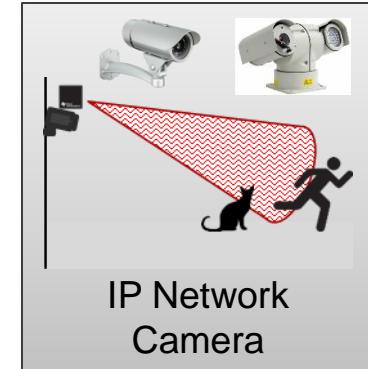
Motion Detectors



People Counting



Automated Doors & Gates



IP Network Camera

GOAL: Robust, small form-factor detection and sensing of people near buildings, cameras, and doors

Advantages vs Existing Technologies

- Robust to false detection/movements with integrated processing
- Radar information can give position and velocity – easy background subtraction, movement classification
- Robust to environment – lighting, temperature, moisture
- No camera or lens for privacy-conscious applications
- Sparse data set requires lower processing requirements

Experiment – Fine Motion Detection (available now)

- Velocity information allows sensor to detect and localize even very small movements like breathing, talking, typing
- Onboard processing allows for ‘static clutter removal’, distinguish between animate and inanimate objects
- Showing enhanced capability versus other sensing technologies like **PIR** to help minimize false detection

Parameter	Config 1: Higher Range Resolution	Config 2: Higher Maximum Range
Num TX and RX	3TX, 4 RX	3TX, 4RX
Max range (m)	3.367	6.4
Range resolution (m)	0.053	0.125
Max velocity (m/s)	2.77	0.94
Velocity resolution (m/s)	0.022	0.03
Frame duration (ms)	100	150
Static clutter removal	Enabled	Enabled

[Experiment Documentation and Report](#)

Example Usage: Occupancy Detection

IWR1443 EVM

Stationary person
up to ~6m away



Detects: small movements like talking, typing, breathing

People Tracking and Counting Reference Design using mmWave Radar Sensor

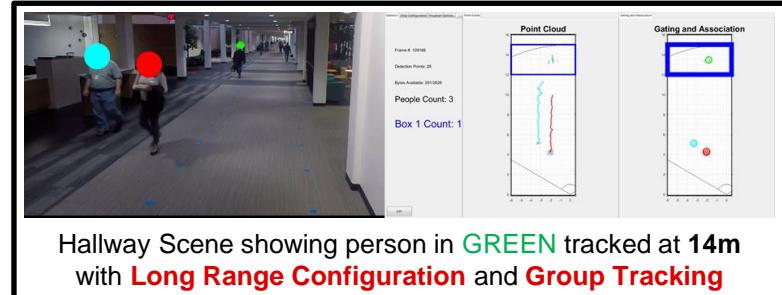
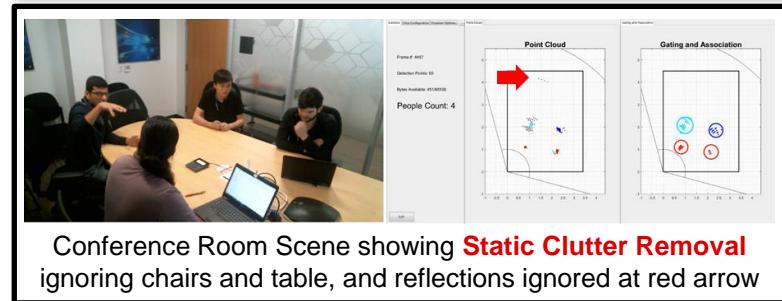
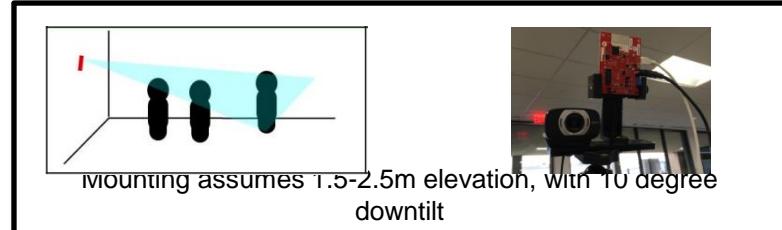
TIDEP-01000, Design Status: On ti.com

TIDesigns

Base configurations of people counting TI Design support 6m and 14m operation.

Tuning of parameters in TI Design enables variety of applications and environments

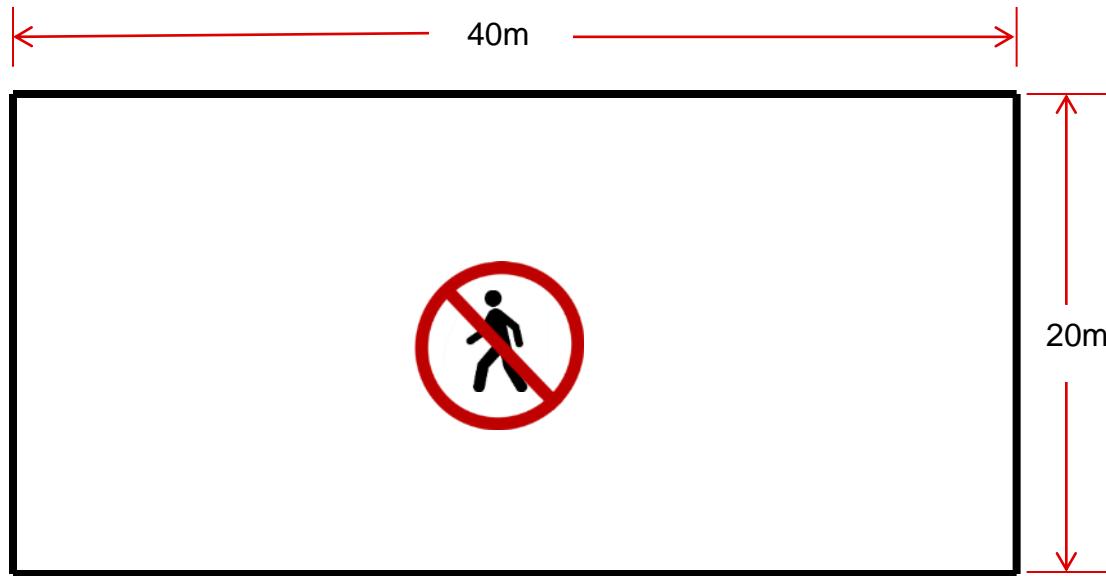
	Short Range Configuration	Long Range Configuration
HW / EVM	IWR1642 EVM (<i>IWR1642BOOST</i>)	
Field of View	120° Horizontal, 30° Vertical	
Max Range	6m	14m
Range Resolution	4.8cm	12cm
Max Velocity	5.17 m/s	5.25 m/s
Velocity Resolution	0.082 m/s	0.082 m/s
Algorithms Used	Static Clutter Removal, Group Tracking	Static Clutter Removal, Group Tracking
System Power	~2W	
Performance Metrics	Tracking accuracy of >93% Counting density of 3 persons per m ²	



Example Sensing Problem in Security/Surveillance

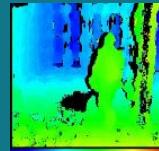
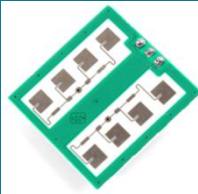
Example: Construction Yard

Goal is to make sure no one is inside the fenced-off construction yard after-hours



Could this be solved with sensing today?

Technology

		 			
Technology	Passive Infrared (PIR)	Vision / Stereo	3D Time of Flight / LIDAR	Ultrasound (Doppler)	Microwave (Doppler)
Principle	Detection of changes in infrared radiation	One or two camera sensors (emulate human eyesight)	Modulated IR light, measure transit time	Transmission and reception of ultrasonic waves (doppler)	Transmission and reception of microwaves (doppler)
Strengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lower cost✓ Low processing requirements✓ Very low power✓ Good for short range✓ Sensitive to macro motion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ High angular resolution✓ Ability for user to monitor the scene remotely✓ Vision processing and algorithms✓ Good for moderate ranges✓ Thermal sensors available	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ High angular resolution✓ High distance accuracy✓ Fast frame rate✓ Good for short ranges, indoor applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Low processing requirements✓ Lower cost✓ Good for short range✓ Motion sensor only- Sensitive to very small motions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Robust to environment✓ Good for moderate ranges✓ Motion sensor only- Sensitive to very small motions

Example Sensing Problem – Key Sensing Challenges

Environment (Outdoors)

- Ambient Lighting
- Temperature, Humidity
- Rain/Fog

False Detection of Objects

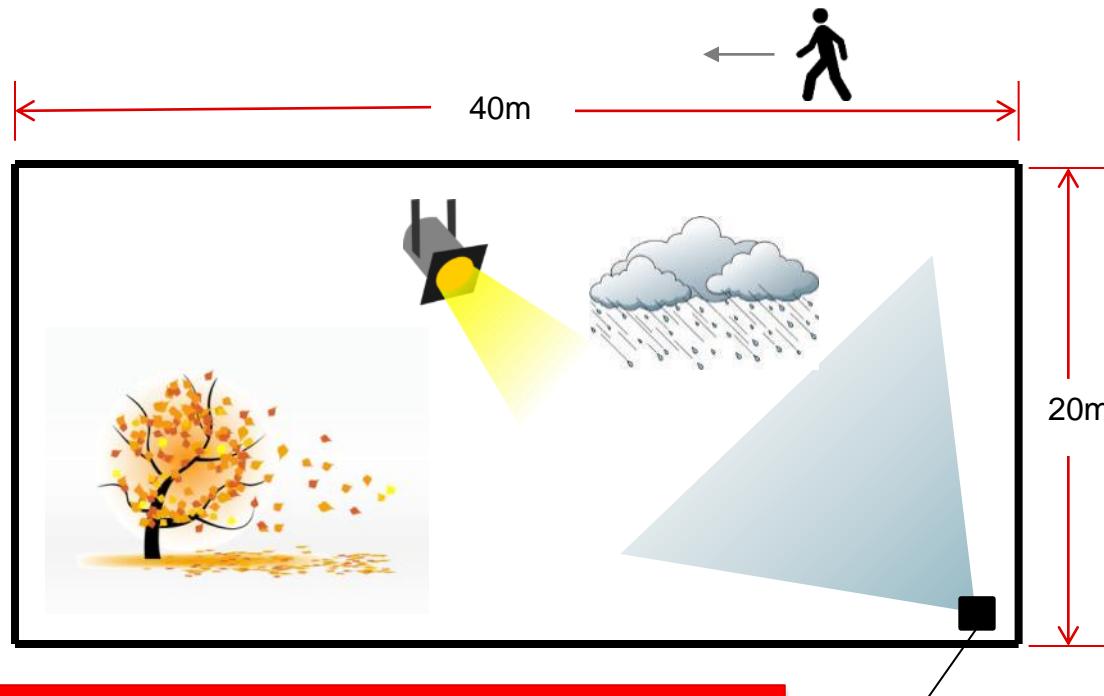
- Leaves/Trees
- Background Clutter
- Animals versus Persons

Movement outside of zone

- People outside of fenced area
- Urban environments

Range and Sensing Distance

- Maximize coverage
- Minimize system cost



Sensing challenges lead to False Detection!!

False Detection costs \$\$ for our customers

- False detection costs our customers money – it's a people problem
 - People must respond to phantom events
 - Security personnel to monitor cameras – verify false alarms are false
 - Send out security personnel or police to check out scene in person
- False detections prevent our customers from addressing real threats
 - Responders are desensitized to any detection/alarms
 - Time spent understanding false alarms



Customer collateral

The following information is available for you to send to customers

Content title	Content type	Link to content or more details
Video: Why TI mmWave for Security/Surveillance	90 second marketing focused video	http://www.ti.com/general/docs/video/watch.aspx?entryid=5432114959001
Video: mmWave in Factory Automation and Intelligent Lighting	Video demonstration of how mmWave can be used to detect position and motion in offices and factories	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l3ePEu0fRvg
TI Design: Object Detection and Tracking Reference Design Using Single-Chip mmWave Radar Sensor	Demonstrates how IWR1642 can be used for traffic monitoring applications. Shows example clustering and tracking algorithms	http://www.ti.com/tool/tidep-0090
Application Note: Introduction to the DSP Subsystem in the IWR16xx	Technical Application Note on how to port radar algorithms to the C674x	http://www.ti.com/lit/an/swra564/swra564.pdf
E2E Forums	Public E2E Forum available for customers and FAEs	https://e2e.ti.com/support/sensor/mmwave_sensors/

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Adding highly-integrated, flexible and scalable navigation assistance in Drones, Robotics, and Industrial Transport

- **Long Range** – sense far away objects at 100+ meters
- **Sensing Capability** – Able to detect hard-to-see obstacles such as metal wires and power lines
- **Robust** – insensitive to environmental conditions such as dust, fog, low light or dazzling sunlight
- **Radar/Vision Fusion** – make the system safer through complimentary sensing fusion



Drone Introduction

Autonomous Operation

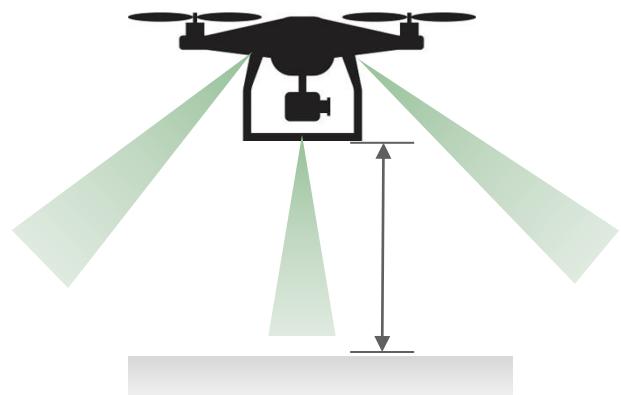
- Obstacle Detection and Avoidance: Power lines, buildings, trees etc.,,
- Ground level ranging for: Positioning, Hovering, Object Tracking, Return and landing assist operations
- Long detection range of 150m+ and ability to track velocities up to 60m/sec means fast operation for higher productivity
- Insensitive to environmental conditions such as dust, fog, low light or dazzling sunlight
- Supplement existing sensors with Radar for added Safety/Redundancy
- Radar/Vision Fusion - make all sensors smarter

mmWave vs Other Sensing Technologies

- Wind, motor EMI and foliage can defeat ultrasound
- Camera solutions need controlled lighting. Dust and Spray cover lenses. Can't operate at night
- LIDAR is expensive compared to mmWave. Mechanically complex, Dust and Spray cover lenses. Direct sunlight and water light sparkle defeat sensors. Can not detect glass obstacles



Power Line Detection

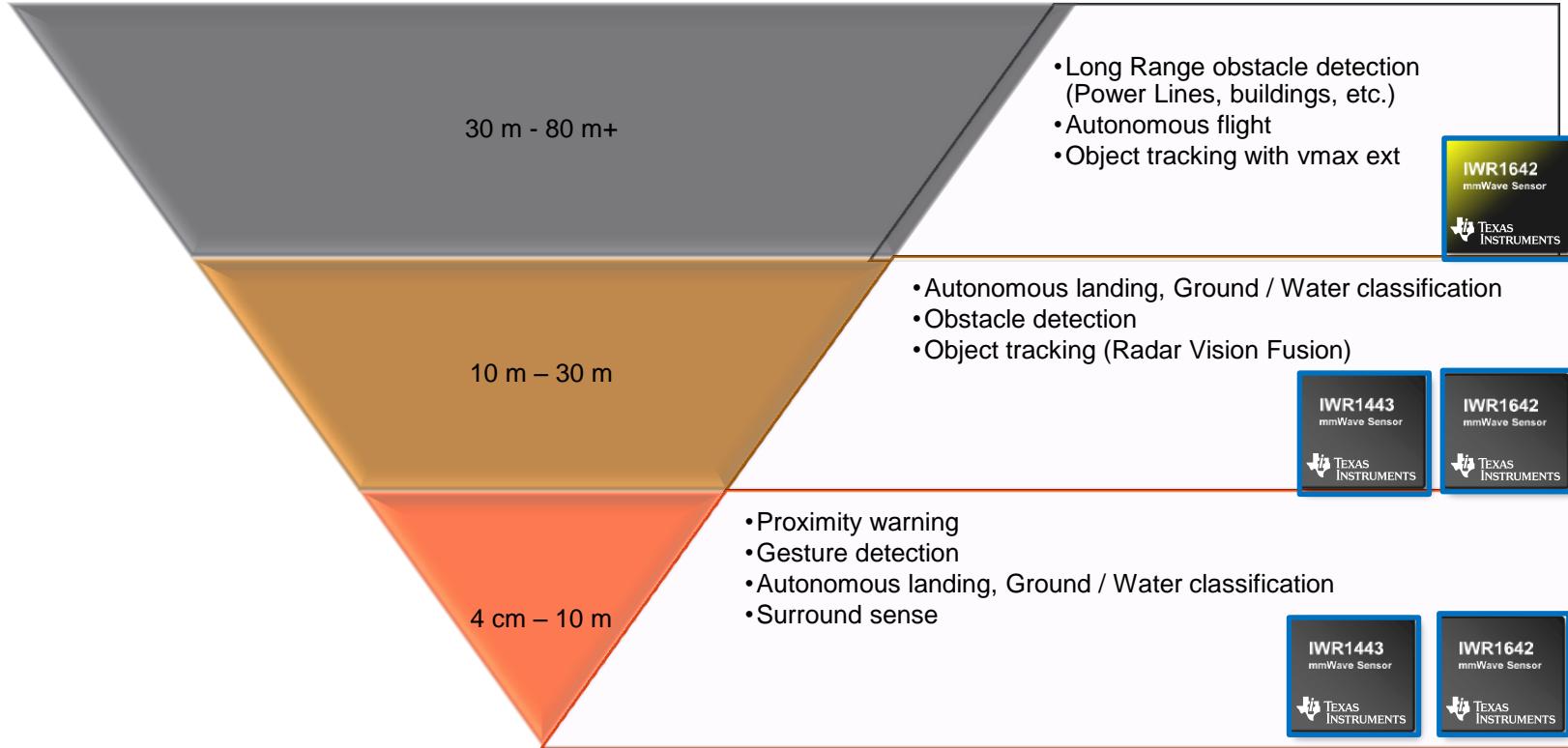


Autonomous Landing

Drones – Sensing Technology Comparison

Sensors	Detection Range	Detection Angle	Range Resolution	Detectable Information	Bad Weather	Night Operation	Detection Performance
 mmWave	Long	Narrow & Wide	Good	Velocity, Range, Angle	Good	Yes	Robust & stable
 Camera	Medium	Medium	Medium	Target Classification	Poor	No	Complexity to calculate object coordinates
 Lidar	Long	Narrow & Wide	Good	Velocity, Range, Angle	Poor	No	Poor in bad weather
 ultrasonic	Short	Wide	Good	Range	Poor	No	Short range applications

mmWave – Sensing for Drones



Drone Use Case Configuration

Use Case Requirement	IWR 1642 (with Vmax Extension)
Range	150 m
Range Resolution	0.8 m
Velocity	60 m/s (216 km/h OR 134 miles/h)
Velocity Resolution	0.5 m/s
RCS	10m ² at 150m
	IF Bandwidth
	Radar Cube Size

Vmax Extension For Higher Velocity Detection

- Increasing attainable maximum velocity of reference design using algorithms
- Increase in maximum velocity by 3x (ideally no limit) of current chirp designs
 - For example 35km/hr → 105km/hr, 60km/hr → 180km/hr
- Results
 - Tested for 180km/hr (112 m/hr) in simulations so far

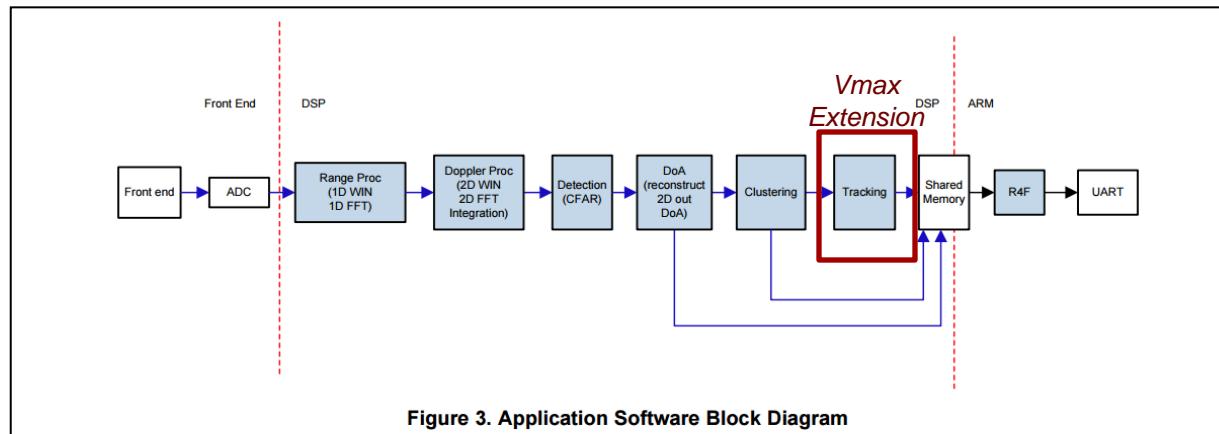
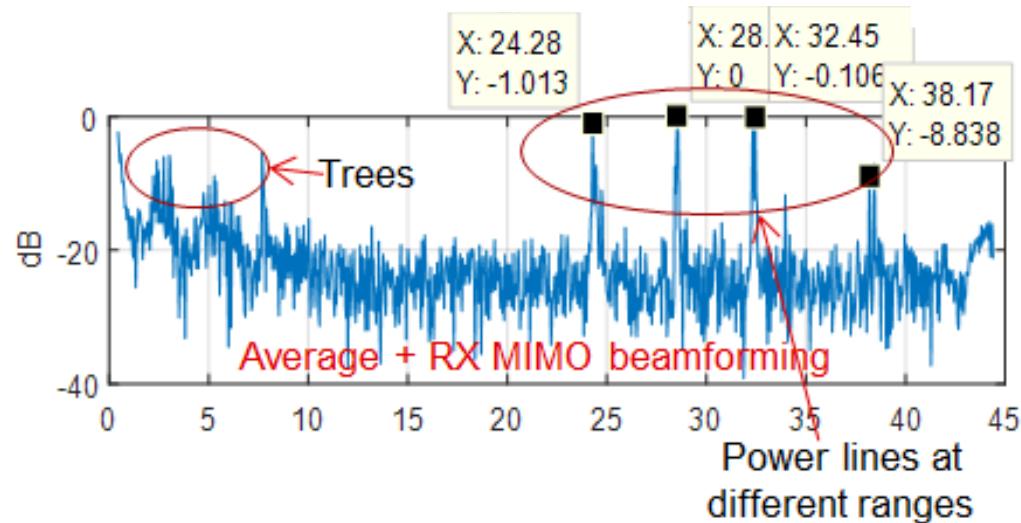
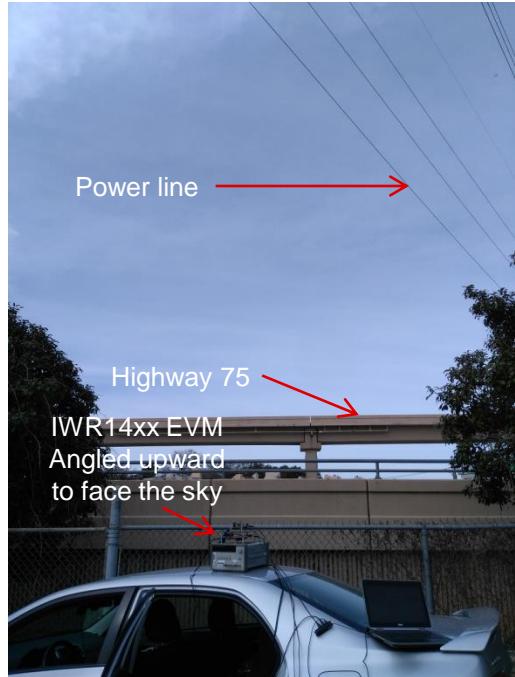


Figure 3. Application Software Block Diagram

- Processing chain based on Drone Use Case. **Vmax extension algorithm** is an incremental addition to the Tracking algorithm.

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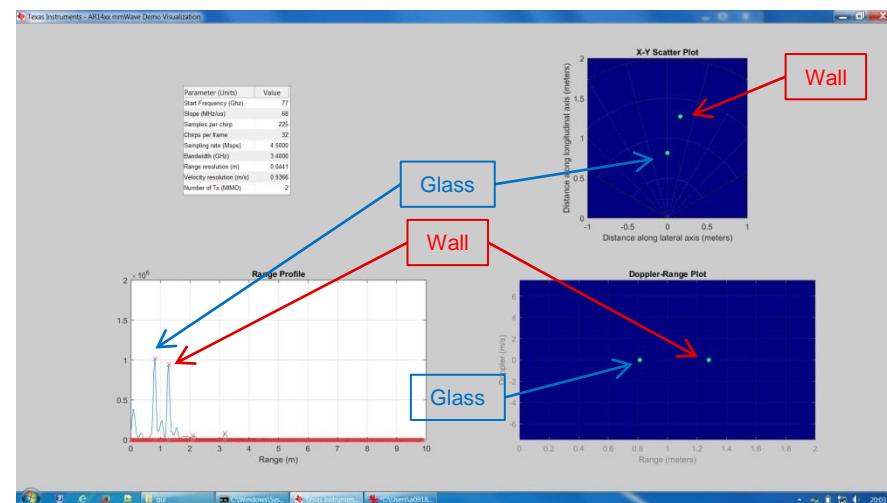
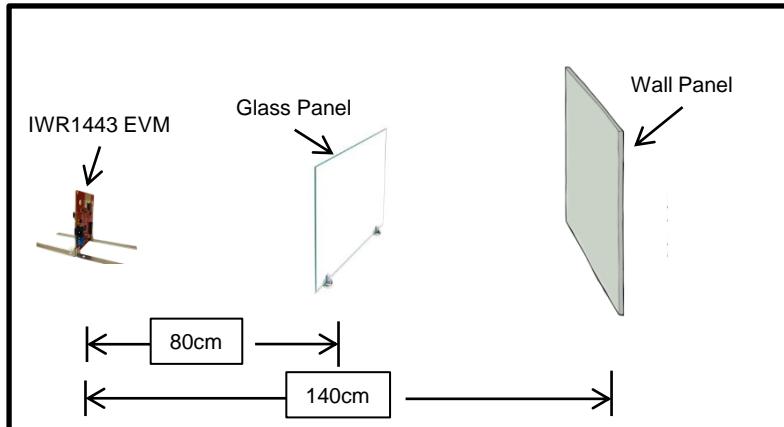


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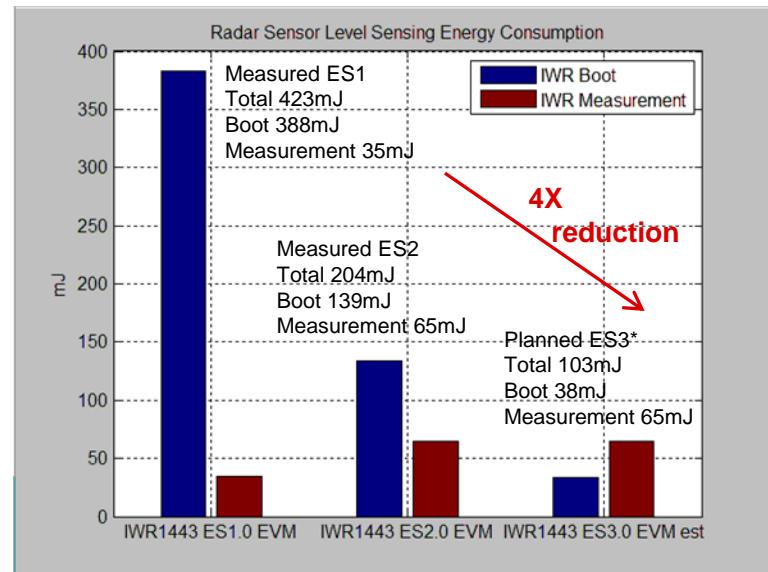
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Measured Accuracy and Power

HW Setup Antenna	Target Material	Range Accuracy (mm)	Max Range (m)	TX power (dBm)	Active Chirp Time (msec)	FFT (1642)/ Sample freq Mps (1443)	Range Resolution (cm)	Processing Time (msec)
IWR1642 EVM	water	0.01	10	12	1.2	512x512	4.3	9
IWR 1443 EVM	water	0.5	8.2	12	0.22	5.08	4.0	440usec + active chirp time

16xx		14xx
Equivalent FFT size	=RangeFFTsize^2 => ~260k	=16384 + quadratic interpolation
Implemented on	C674x	HWA and R4
High level steps	1. Range FFT, find peak 2. Zoom-in, find peak 3. Estimate freq then range	1. Range FFT, find peak 2. Zoom-in, find peak 3. Interpolation 4. Estimate freq then range
Accuracy	1mm @ 36dB det SNR 0.5mm @47dB det SNR 0.1mm @57dB det SNR	1mm @45dB line SNR 0.5mm @51dB line SNR Error floored @ ~0.2mm
Memory usage	~30KB on DSP for 512 Range FFT	Negligible on R4
Processing latency	9ms for 512 Range FFT Size, >10ms for 1024 Range FFT	440us on HWA Negligible on R4



Sense and Avoid Solution from Aerotenna

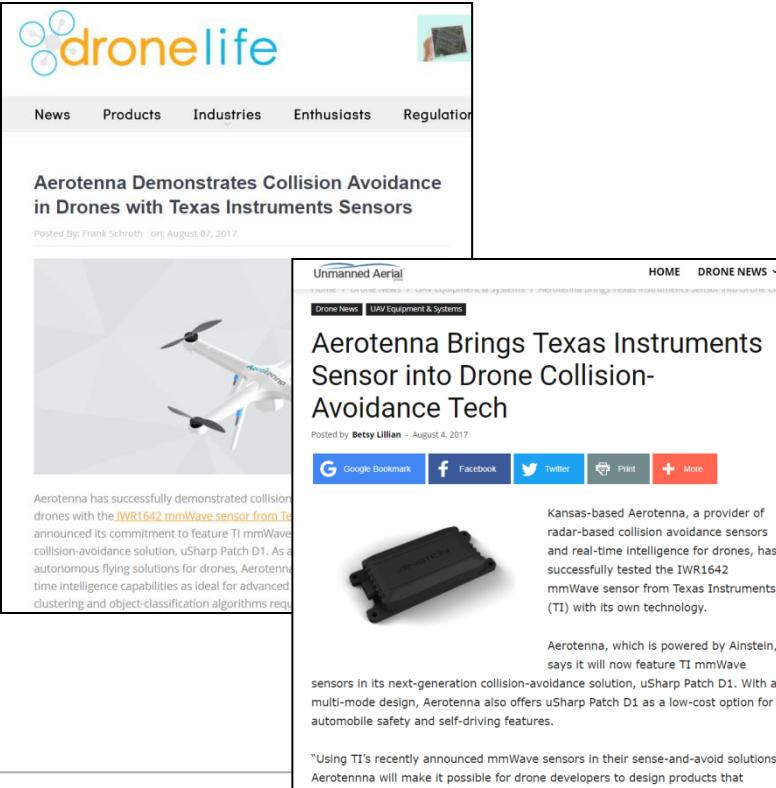
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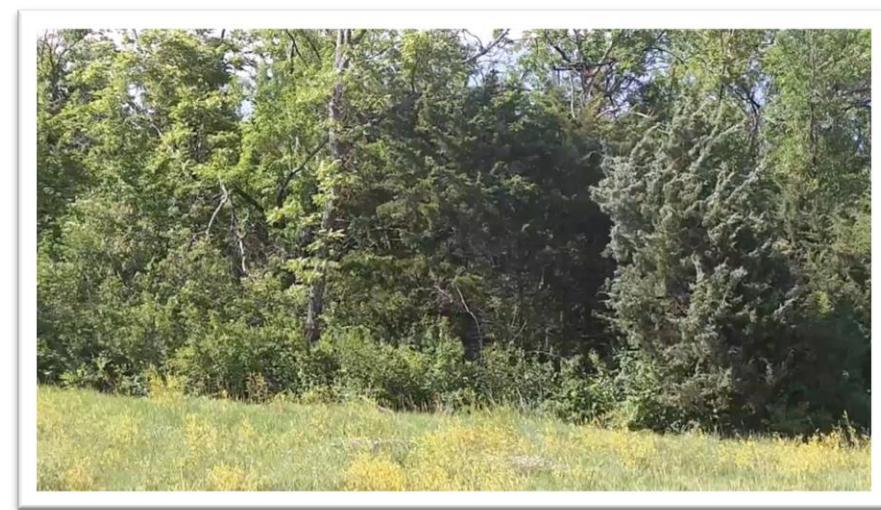
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mmWave EVM driver for Robot OS (ROS)

Get to Prototype faster using mmWave EVMs with Robot OS

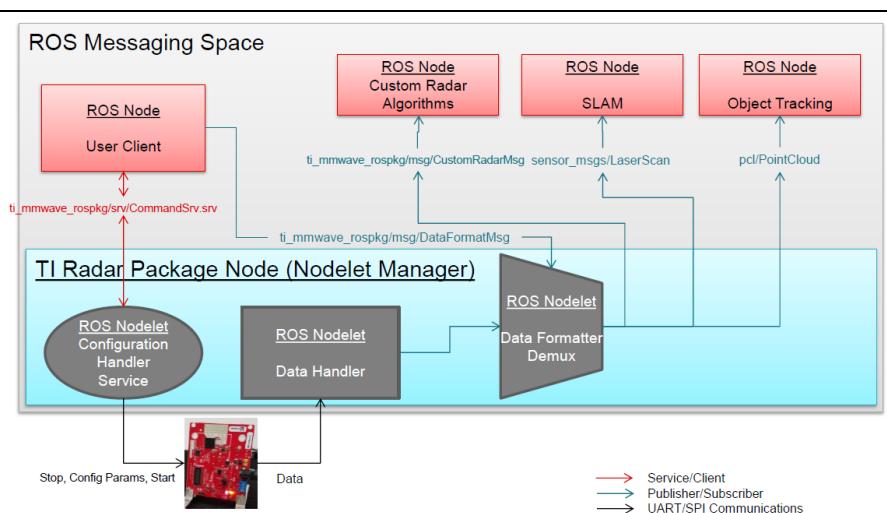
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Why ROS is a good fit for drones
Christina Cardoza
Dec 30, 2015 11:43:31 AM

As the drone industry gets off the ground, developers will be looking to build new software and solutions to take advantage of this up-and-coming market. One place where they might want to start is the Robot Operating System (ROS), according to Brian Gerkey, CEO of the Open Source Robotics Foundation (OSRF).

ROS is a collection of software libraries and tools developers can use to assist in robot application development. While ROS wasn't developed with drones in mind, Gerkey said it is a good starting point for these (essentially) flying robots.

"It is fascinating for us to see this because this is an industry that didn't exist at the time we were



Robot OS (ROS) Introduction

- ROS – Robot OS <http://www.ros.org/> is a set of open source software libraries and tools that help you build robot applications. From drivers to state-of-the-art algorithms, and with powerful developer tools for your robot project.
- Initial release 2007 (10 years). Active users estimated in 100k's users by ROS.org
 - Provided under BSD license.
 - Linux based written in C++ and Python
 - Services such as hardware abstraction, low-level device control, implementation of commonly used functionality, message-passing between processes, and package management.
- Robot specific capabilities that ROS provides
 - Standard Message Definitions for Robots
 - Robot Geometry Library
 - Robot Description Language
 - Pre-emptable Remote Procedure Calls
 - Diagnostics
 - Pose Estimation
 - Localization
 - Mapping
 - Navigation

TIDEP-0094: 80-Meter Range Object Detection with IWR1642 mmWave sensors

Features

- Detect Objects up to 84 meters with Range Resolution of 37cm
- Antenna Field of View +/- 60 degrees with Angular resolution of Approximately 15 degrees
- Source Code for Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) processing and Detection provided by mmWave Software Development Kit

Applications

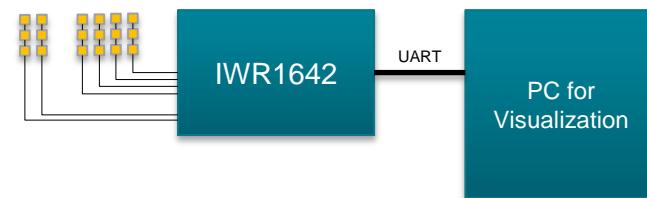
- Service robots
- Industrial Transport
- Logistics robots
- Forklifts
- Industrial robots
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Tools & Resources

- TIDA-0094 and/or Tools
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- **Design Guide**
- **Design Files:** Schematics, BOM, Gerbers, Software, etc.
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 - [IWR1642](#)
 - [LP87524B-Q1](#)
 - [TPS7A8101-Q1](#)
 - [TPS7A8801RTJ](#)
 - [TPS79601DRB](#)
 - [TMP112AIDRL](#)

Benefits

- Not sensitive to environmental conditions such as lighting, direct sunlight, smoke, fog, dust, frost or electric motor EMI
- Small form factor mounted behind enclosure plastics with no need for aperture results in rugged sensor
- Not only detect objects but also provide relative velocities and positions of objects
- Not as computationally complex as vision based systems, reducing processor requirements, lowering cost and power
- Range far exceeds acoustic based sensors



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Why mmWave Radar sensors in Robotics? Edge detection is important



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We were promised flying cars, instead we got suicidal robots.

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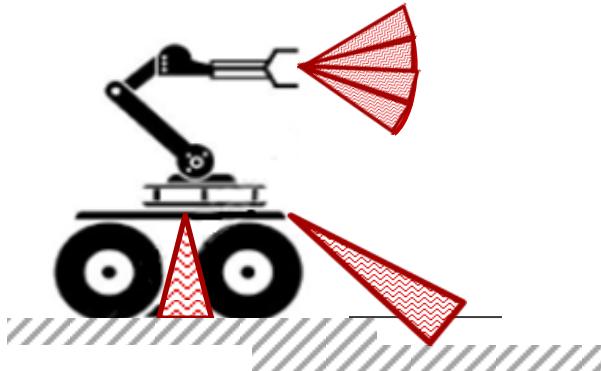
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Isaac Asimov's "Three Laws of Robotics"

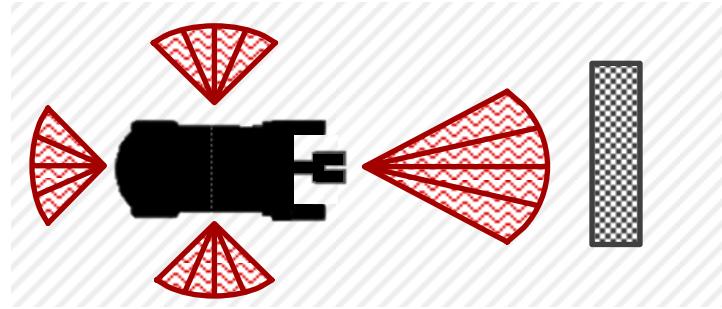
1. A robot may not injure a human being or, through inaction, allow a human being to come to harm.
2. A robot must obey orders given it by human beings except where such orders would conflict with the First Law.
3. A robot must protect its own existence as long as such protection does not conflict with the First or Second Law.

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mmWave – Robotics Applications

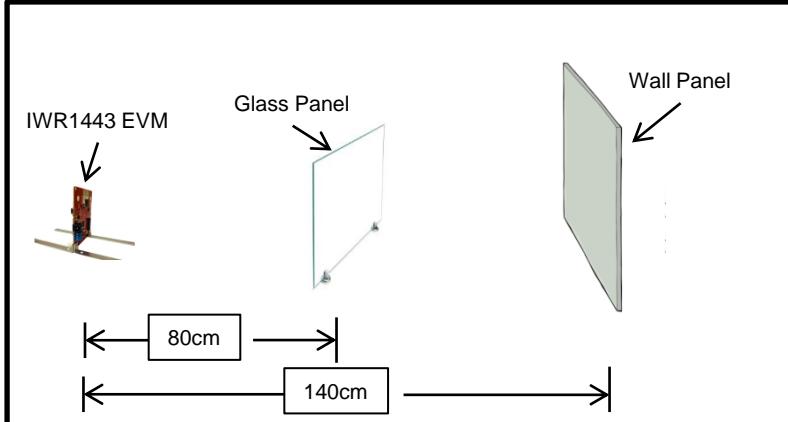


- **Ground speed sensing**
 - Use Doppler shift to calculate ground speed
 - High accuracy, useful in applications where wheels will slip on surface
- **Edge detection**
 - Accurately detect ground edges such as loading docks to avoid unrecoverable situations
- **Articulating ARM safety curtain**
 - Avoid collisions with objects or people



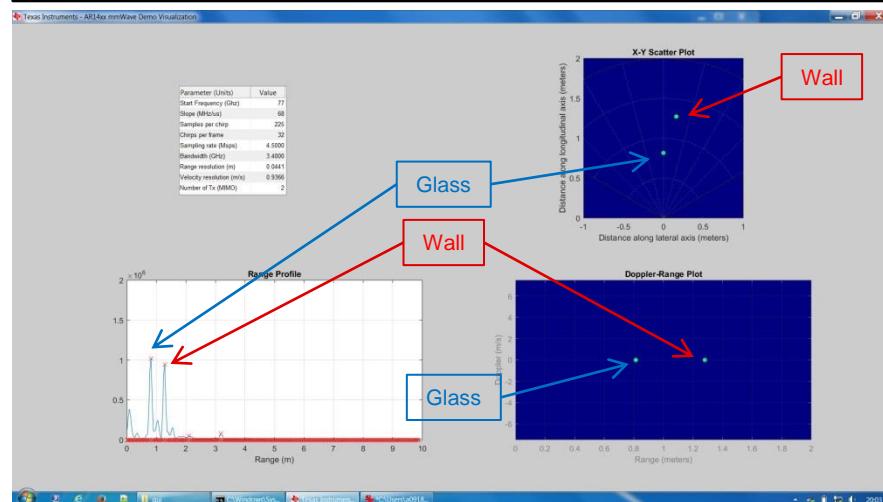
- **Surround obstacle sensing**
 - Sense and Avoid autonomous operation
 - Accurately track multiple approaching objects or people from all directions
 - Differentiate static objects (equipment, boxes, etc) vs. moving objects (robots, people, etc)
 - Augment other sensors with radar information for enhanced safety and reliability
 - Maintain a no-entry curtain or zone around the equipment

mmWave sensors wall detection



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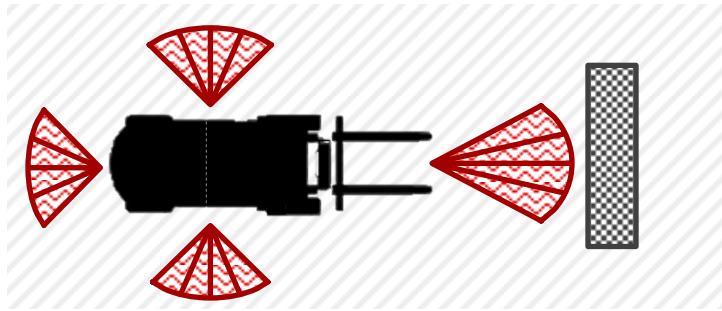
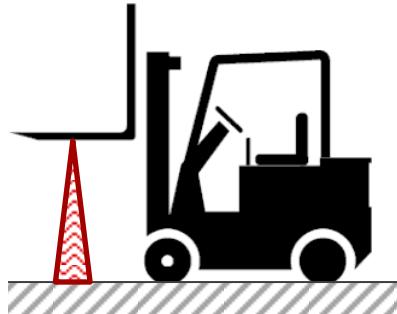


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mmWave – Industrial Transport



- **Obstructed view detection**

- Detect people and objects in an obstructed field of view
- Robust against environmental conditions such as fog, smoke, and limited illumination
- Differentiate static objects (equipment, boxes, etc) vs. moving objects (robots, people, etc)

- **Surround obstacle sensing**

- Augment visual information with radar information
- Detect approaching objects or people from all directions
- Maintain a no-entry zone around the equipment

Material Handling – Obstacle Detection

Warehouse Use Case	
Typical Range	~ 5 m
Typical Velocity	< 5 m/sec
Typical Device Performance	
Range accuracy	2 cm
Range resolution	10 cm (@2 GHz chirp BW)
Velocity accuracy	1 cm/sec
Velocity resolution	5 cm/sec
Angle accuracy	1°



Interference Rejection : The 2025 Parking lot

- FMCW inherently robust to interference
- Chirp based timing randomization
- Binary phase modulation

mmWave – Sensing

Short Range (4 cm – 10 m)

- Proximity warning
- Autonomous loading
- Load balancing
- Edge detection, Ground / Water classification
- Surround sense

Mid Range (10 m – 30 m)

- Autonomous operation
- Obstacle detection
- Object tracking (Radar Vision Fusion)

Long Range (30 m – 80 m+)

- Long Range obstacle detection (Autos, Trucks, buildings, etc.)
- Autonomous Operation

	Parameter	Short Range	Mid Range	Long range	Sensor Performance
Range (typical)	4 cm – 10 m	10 m – 30 m	30 m – 80+ m		
Max Velocity (typical)	5 m/sec	15 m/sec	25 m/sec		
FOV Azimuth (typical)*	± 45° (90°)	± 30° (60°)	± 10° (20°)		
FOV Elevation (typical)*	± 20° (40°)	± 30° (60°)	± 10° (20°)		
Range Accuracy**	0.4 cm	0.6 cm	2 cm		
Range Resolution	4 cm	6 cm	17 cm		
Velocity Accuracy**	0.05 m/sec	0.05 m/sec	0.08 m/sec		
Velocity Resolution	0.5 m/sec	0.5 m/sec	0.8 m/sec		
Angular Accuracy**	0.5°	1°	1°		

*Dependent upon Antenna Design.

**Values may vary based on the target.

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Enabling Innovation in Industrial Applications

Tank Level Probing

Factory & Building Automation

Motor Drives & Industrial Transport

Medical

Bringing highly-accurate, non-contact sensing and vital signs monitoring to the medical industry

- **Ultra Accurate** – sub 100um accuracy with +/-15um precision enables measurement of human breathing and heart rate from distance of 2m+.
- **Fully-Integrated** – single-chip radar for smaller design sizes, reduced HW complexity, and integrated processing



VITAL SIGNS MONITORING

Vital Signs Monitoring with mmWave Sensors

- Measures the chest wall displacement due to breathing and heart-beat
- The signal is dominated by the body surface movements as the RF penetration inside the body is very minimal at high frequencies (@ 94 GHz skin depth is 0.37 mm in human skin)

Typical vital sign parameters

Vital Signs	Amplitude	Frequency
Breathing Rate (Adults)	1- 12 mm	0.1 – 0.5 Hz
Heart Rate (Adults)	0.2 – 0.5 mm	0.8 – 2 Hz

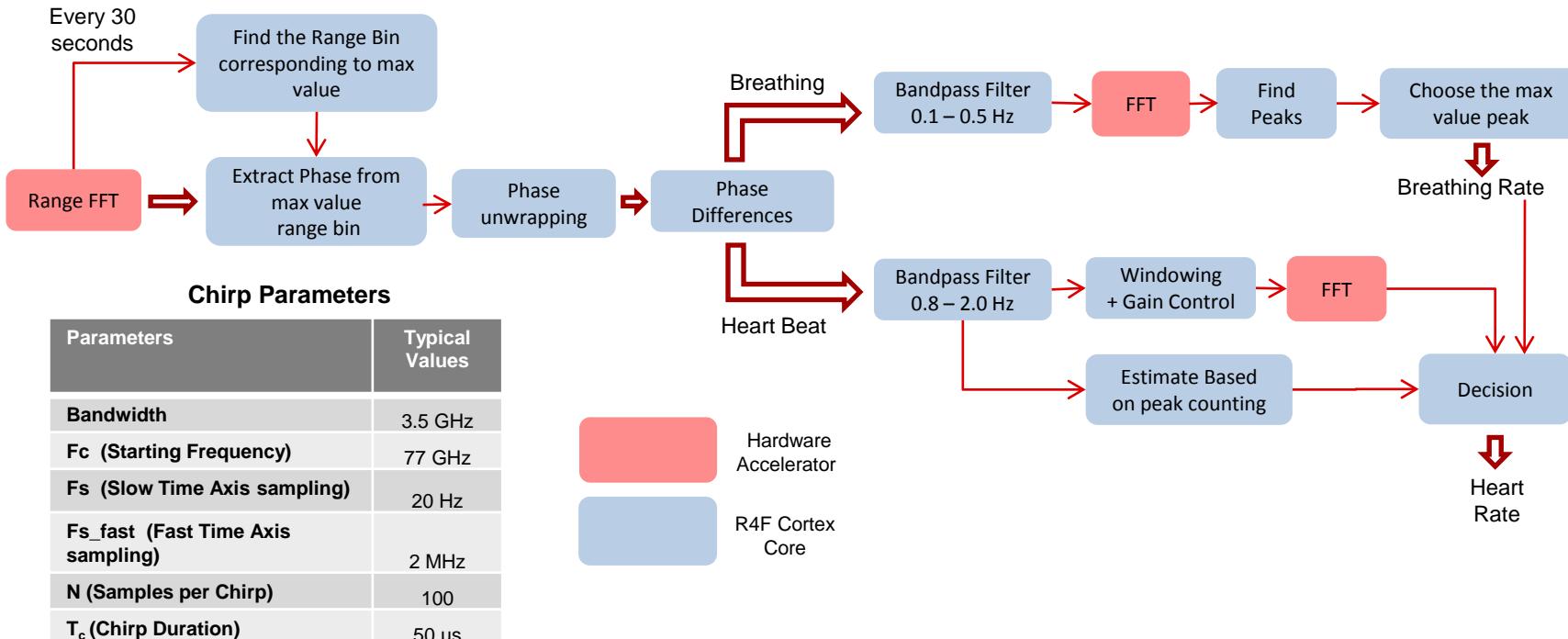
- To measure these small scale vibrations/displacements, we measure the change in phase of the FMCW signal with time at the target range bin

$$\Delta\phi_b = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \Delta R$$

- $\Delta\phi_b$ corresponds to the change in phase when the target moves a distance ΔR
- Note that a smaller wavelength will give better displacement sensitivity

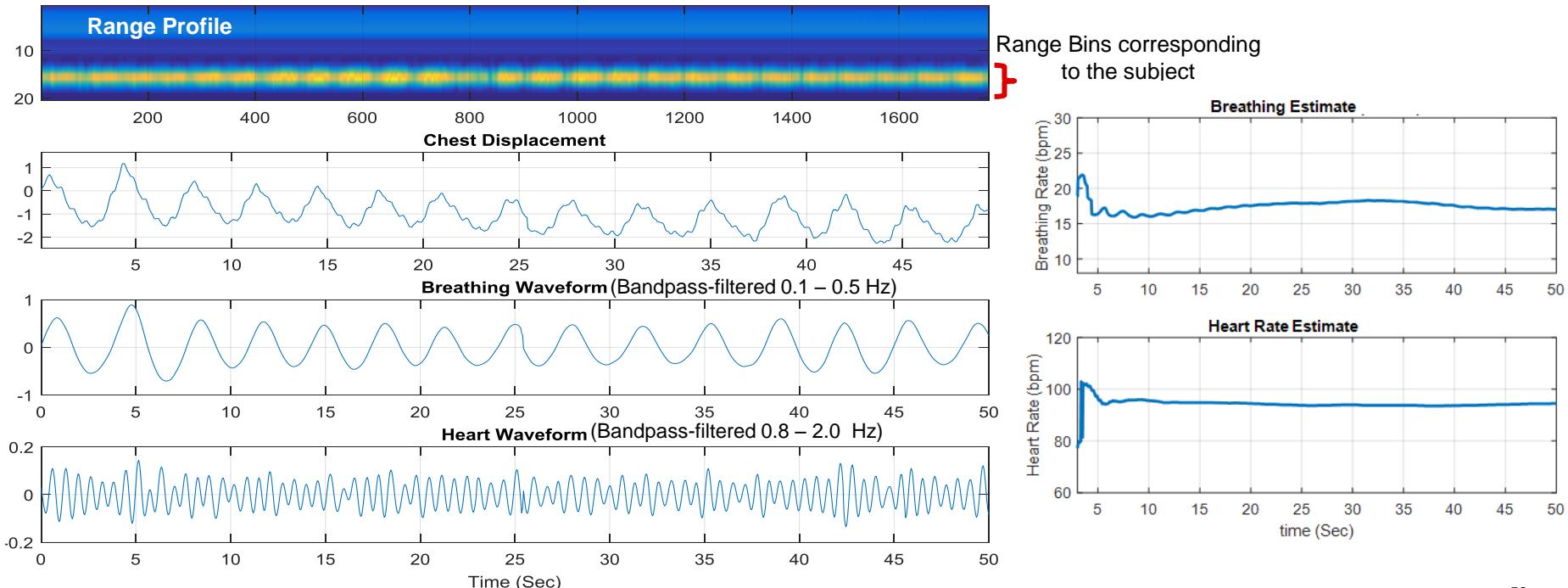
Implementation on the IWR-1443

- Real-time implementation (20 fps) utilizing the on-chip hardware accelerator for the FFTs and the Cortex R4F core
- Processing done over a running window of $T \sim 25$ seconds. New estimates are updated every 1 second



Example Measurements

- Subject seated at a distance of 1.5 meters from the Radar and was asked to remain stationary



Human Vital Signs – Demo GUI



Demo Youtube Video:

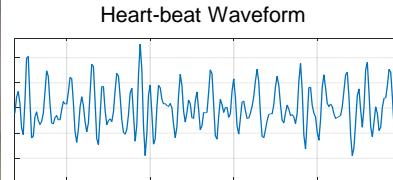
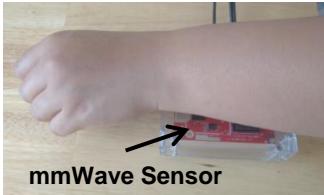
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The demo requires the person to be aligned properly in front of the mmWave sensor and remain relatively still for at least 20 seconds before accurate measurements are obtained

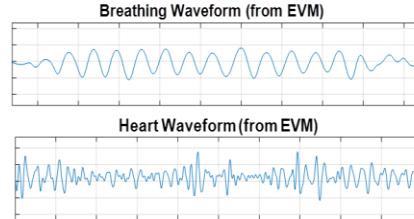
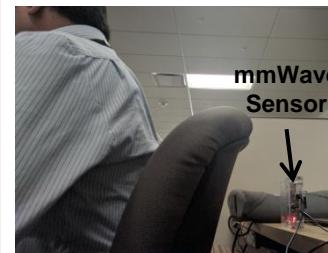
Other configurations

Wrist-based



- “Contact-based” Ballisto-cardiography
- Heart-rate only, No Breathing signature

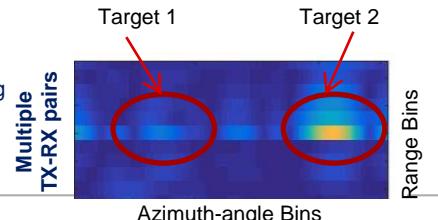
Measurements from the Back



- Both breathing and heart-rate measurements possible. Breathing signal is relatively weak

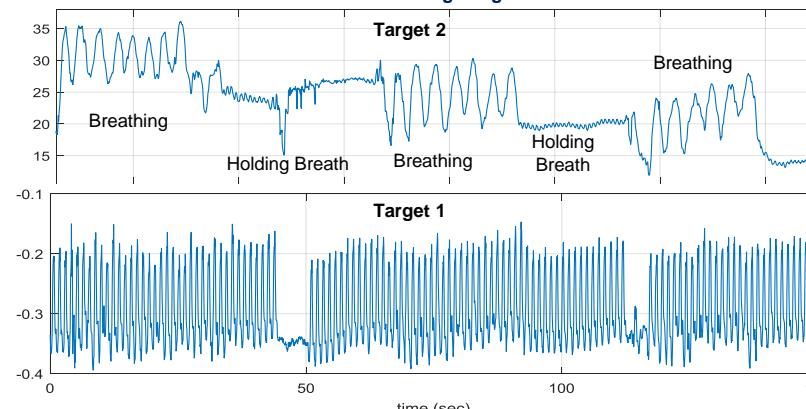
Multiple-object vital signs

- Using FMCW waveforms and multiple receive channels to isolate objects in range-angle domain



- Target 1 : Corner reflector vibrating (50 um with $f = 0.85$ Hz)
- Target 2 : A person sitting still and periodically holding his breath

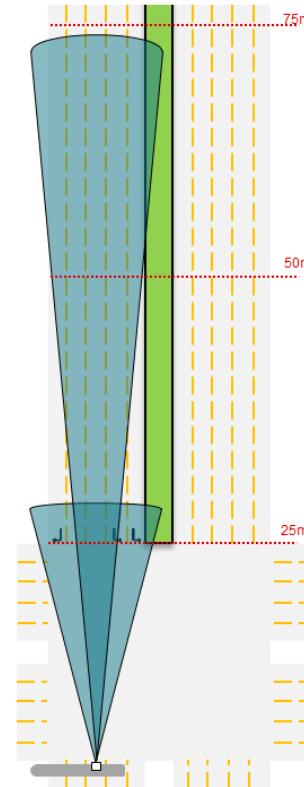
Phase variation of the range-angle bin across time



mmWave in Traffic Monitoring

Value of TI mmWave in Traffic Monitoring

- **RFCMOS - Fully-Integrated design**
 - All mmWave sensing, radar processing and advanced algorithms can be performed on single chip
- **High Performance**
 - mmWave radar can precisely determine object location and speed
 - Can minimize or eliminate need for expensive video analytics for object localization, speed estimation, and classification
 - Detection/measurement of objects at 100m+, velocities <200km/hr, across multiple lanes
- **Insensitive to Environment**
 - Insensitivity to challenging environments such as fog, smoke, and changing lighting conditions.
- **Flexibility of Solution**
 - TI mmWave supports multiple data output types to allow for greater flexibility and optimization in your system design



Traffic Monitoring – Technology Comparison



Inductive Loop Sensors

Use of insulated wire inside cuts in roadway.
Changes in wire induction measured when vehicle passes over

Pros:

- Well understood application

Cons:

- Disruption of traffic for installation/repair
- Short maintenance cycles
- Detection only around intersection
- Poor detection of two wheel vehicles



Cameras

Video image processor analyzes imagery to determine traffic behavior

Pros:

- Powerful algorithms for variety of applications
- Video for recording and monitoring

Cons:

- Complex signal processing needed to disregard shadows, occlusion, day/night cycles.
- Vulnerability to changing environments



24GHz Radar (SiGe, BiCMOS)

Discrete components assembled to create a 24GHz radar

Pros:

- Inensitive to weather, changing environments
- Radar has extended range over camera (60m+)
- Inherent ability to measure speed accurately

Cons:

- Lower angular resolution than camera
- Limited integration - design complexity
- Lower range/velocity performance versus 77GHz



TI 77 GHz mmWave Radar

TI's fully-integrated, single-chip 77GHz mmWave radar

Pros:

- Larger RF BW means higher range resolution
- Radar has extended range over camera (60m+)
- Inensitive to weather, changing environments
- Inherent ability to measure speed accurately
- >3x higher velocity resolution vs 24GHz
- Smaller size, integrated processing

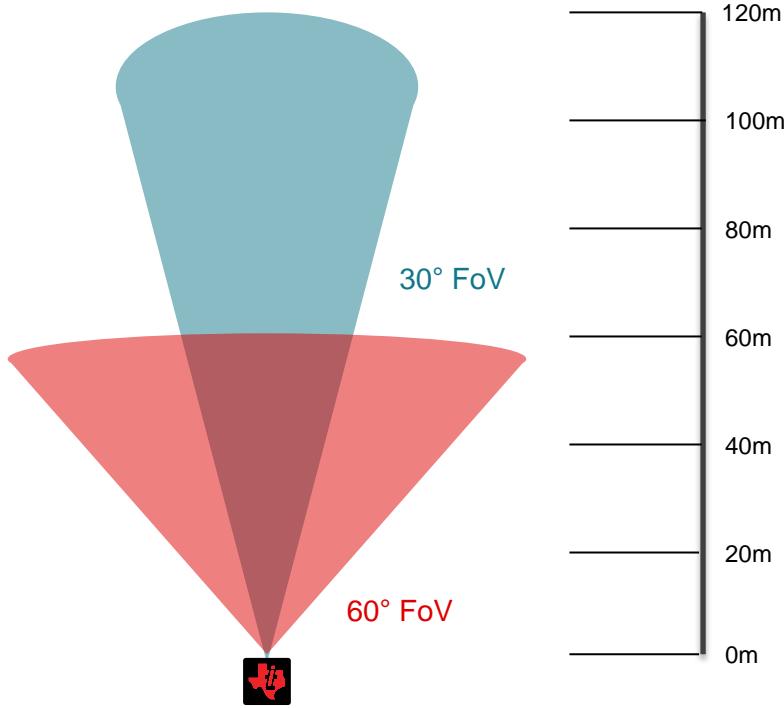
Cons:

- Lower angular resolution than camera



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Performance Estimates – Detection with mmWave



Max/Min Range and accuracy are a function of antenna design and size of object to be detected

Estimated performance at 120m, 30° FoV

- Detection of **person** (RCS=0.1) and larger objects
- Detection of **motorcycle** (RCS=1.0) possible even with increased FoV to 60°

Estimated performance at 60m, 60° FoV

- Detection of **person** (RCS=0.1) and larger objects
- Detection of **motorcycle** (RCS=1.0) possible even with increased FoV to 120°

Traffic Monitoring Object Detection and Tracking Reference Design Using Single-Chip mmWave Radar Sensor: TIDEP-0090



Features

- Demonstration of environmentally robust object detection, clustering, and tracking using TI single-chip mmWave sensor
- IWR1642 mmWave sensor used to pinpoint the location of objects in a 90-100° field of view over a range of 5m to 70m and up to 175m+
- Measurement bandwidth of 76-77GHz
- IWR1642 has onboard DSP processor used to cluster objects and track their range and velocity over time. Output of device is simplified object data with range, velocity, and angle information.
- Based on proven EVM hardware enabling quick time to market and out-of-the-box demonstration.

Benefits

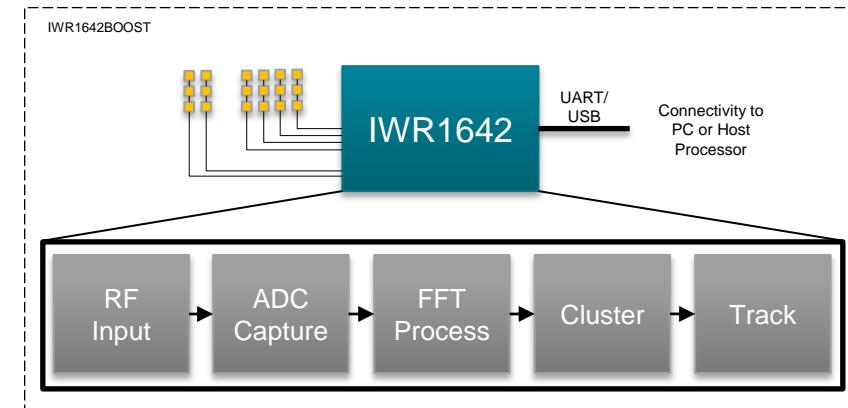
- All mmWave sensing, radar processing and advanced algorithms performed on single chip
- mmWave radar can precisely determine object location and speed
- mmWave offloads host processor in an intersection detection system – minimize need for expensive video analytics for object localization, speed estimation, and classification
- mmWave radar advantage over cameras is that it can be used for sensing in challenging environments such as nighttime, fog, smoke.

Target Applications

- Traffic Enforcement
- Intersection Monitoring
- Road-Railway Sensors
- Intelligent Lighting Sensors
- Security/Surveillance

Tools & Resources

- Tool Folder Link [TIDEP-0090](#)
- Device Datasheets Links:
 - [IWR1642](#)



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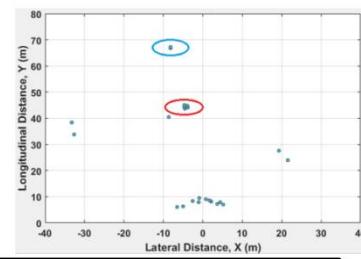
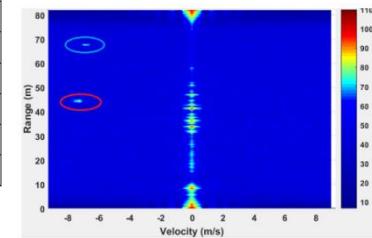
Table 1. Performance Parameters of Two Example Chirp Designs on the IWR1642

KEY INPUT PARAMETERS		
PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS	MEDIUM-RANGE MIMO EXAMPLE	LONG-RANGE NON-MIMO EXAMPLE
Antenna pattern	Two Tx, four Rx in azimuth plane	One Tx, four Rx in azimuth plane
Maximum range	70 m	120 m, 199 m ⁽¹⁾
Range resolution	0.4 m	1.0 m
Maximum velocity ⁽²⁾	34 km/h ⁽²⁾	70 km/h ⁽²⁾
Velocity resolution	1.5 km/h	1.2 km/h
Frame duration	40 ms	40 ms
ADC sampling rate	5 MSPS	5 MSPS
DERIVED CHIRP DESIGN PARAMETERS		
Chirp valid sweep bandwidth	375 MHz	150 MHz
Chirp time	41.09 µs	39.69 µs
Chirp repetition time	104 µs	51 µs
Number of samples per chirp	206	199
Nfft_range	256	256
Number of chirps per frame	46	117
Nfft_doppler	64	128
Radar cube size	368 KB	468 KB

⁽¹⁾ Design goal 120 m; final parameters support theoretical maximum of 199 m.

⁽²⁾ Additional processing can extend the maximum trackable velocity by 3x the chirp maximum velocity.

Example chirp designs implemented in TIDEP-0090 for different traffic monitoring application distances and speeds



Detection, clustering, and tracking of vehicles verified at 70m, 120m, and 175m

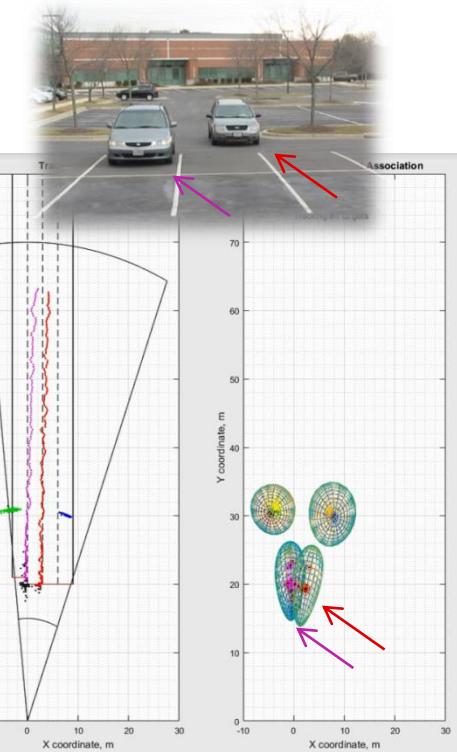
New Algorithms – Available now !

“Vmax Extension”

- Increasing attainable maximum velocity of reference design using algorithms
- Increase in maximum velocity by approx. 3x of previous medium and long range chirp designs
 - Single Lane : 195 km/hr
 - Multi Lane : 80 km/hr

“Advanced Tracker”

- Improvement to current tracker implementation to allow separation of multiple objects that are too close together to resolve with basic FFT processing
- Allows for monitoring within more dense urban environments



Advanced Tracker separates two cars as they approach intersection “stop bar” and come to stop (red and pink)

Industrial Radar – Path of Development

Discover

"I am looking for a new sensor for my project"

- Tools focused on showcasing mmWave sensor capabilities and potential
- Enable Proof of Concept validation of use cases

TI.com Portal

White Papers & Videos

mmWave Experiments

Sensing Estimator

Evaluate

"I have purchased an EVM to evaluate mmWave sensors"

- Tools & SW focused on shortening evaluation time by simplifying getting started and providing reference software to start with

OOB Demo + Visualizer

mmWave Labs

Chirp Database

mmWave Studio

Design

"I have selected mmWave sensors for my project"

- Tools & SW that provide building blocks to develop unique mmWave sensor applications
- Enable rapid development, test and deployment

mmWave SDK & LIB

IWR1xxxBOOST EVM

App Notes, TID & Training

mmWave Sensors Forum (e2e)

Product Evolution for Radar for Transport

Name	IWR1642 Out-of-Box	Traffic Monitoring TI Design	Traffic Monitoring TI Design v2 (4Q2018)		
HW	IWR1642 EVM	IWR1642 EVM			IWR1642 EVM
Configuration	Out-of-Box	Medium Range (MIMO)	Long Range (Non-MIMO)	Medium Range (MIMO, Vmax)	Long Range (Non-MIMO, Vmax)
Applications	Generic	Stop-bar Monitoring	Intersection Monitoring	Dense Urban, Parking Lot	Highway Monitoring
Angular Resolution	15 degrees	15 degrees	30 degrees	15 degrees	30 degrees
Maximum Range	Up to 37m	70m	120m, 199m	70m	120m, 199m
Maximum Velocity	Up to 64km/h	34km/h	70km/h	100km/h	210km/h
Range Resolution	Down to 3.9cm	0.4m	1.0m	0.4m	1.0m
Velocity Resolution	Down to 1.8km/h	1.5km/h	1.2km/h	1.5km/h	1.2km/h
Frequency Range	76-81GHz	76-77GHz	76-77GHz	76-77GHz	76-77GHz
Algorithms	None	Basic Clustering, Tracking	Basic Clustering, Tracking	Vmax extension, Adv Group Tracking	Vmax extension, Adv Group Tracking

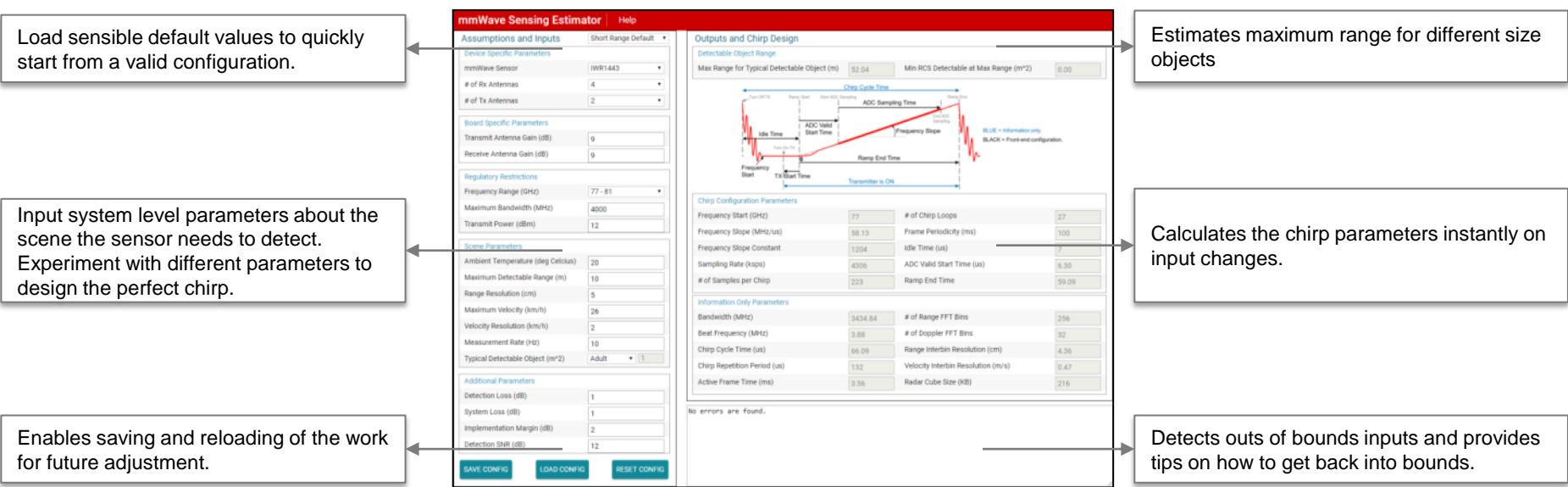
Customer collateral

The following information is available for you to send for customers

Content title	Content type	Link to content or more details
IWR1642 Product Folder	Containing Datasheets, Technical Reference Manual, and more	http://www.ti.com/product/iwr1642
Video: Why TI mmWave for Traffic Monitoring	90 second marketing focused video	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2N2raw103fA&feature=youtu.be
White Paper: Robust traffic and intersection monitoring using mmwave sensors	White Paper presenting Traffic Monitoring market, challenges, and role of TI mmWave	http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spyy002
TI Design: Object Detection and Tracking Reference Design Using Single-Chip mmWave Radar Sensor	Demonstrates how IWR1642 can be used for traffic monitoring applications	http://www.ti.com/tool/tidep-0090
Application Note: Introduction to the DSP Subsystem in the IWR16xx	Technical Application Note on how to port radar algorithms to the C674x	http://www.ti.com/lit/an/swra564/swra564.pdf
E2E Forums	Public E2E Forum available for customers and FAEs	https://e2e.ti.com/support/sensor/mmwave_sensors/

Sensing Estimator

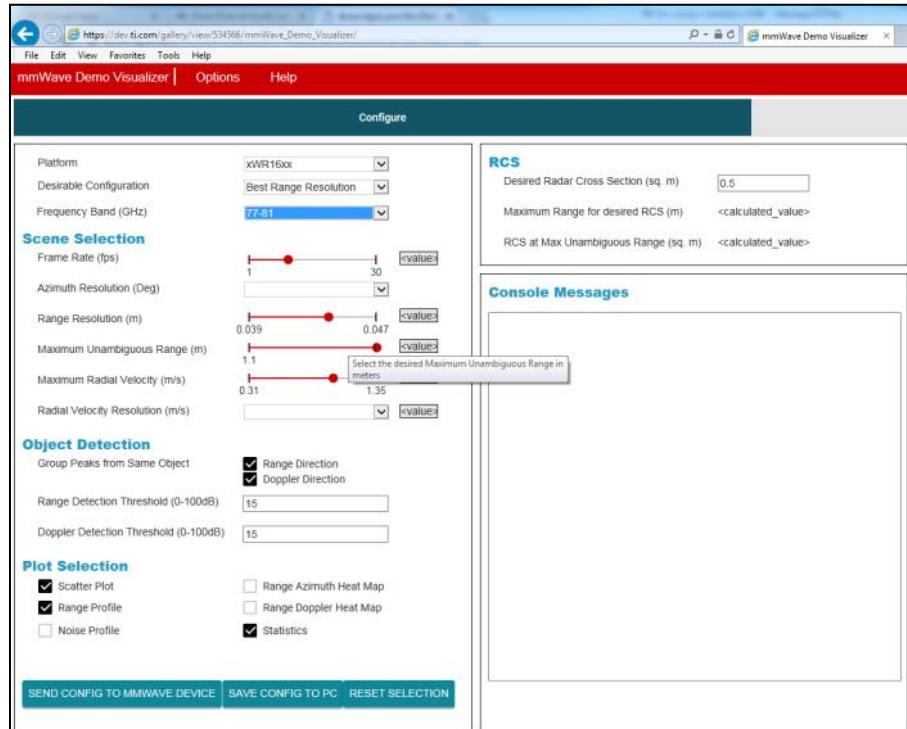
Prototype chirp designs rapidly with real-time feedback!



Link: [mmWave Sensing Estimator](#)

EVM Out of Box Demo

- EVM comes pre-loaded with the Proximity Demo (Out of Box Demo)
- Quickly demonstrates Range, Velocity and Angle measurement
- Configuration and Visualization done through a Web based GUI
 - <https://dev.ti.com/mmWaveDemoVisualizer>
- Quick setup: Simply connect the EVM to the PC and use the Web GUI
- Out of box Demo Video
 - <http://www.ti.com/startIWR1443>



Industrial mmWave –TIREX Landing Pages

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IWR1443 Industrial EVM

Meet the IWR1443 EVM for mmWave Sensing!

Congratulations on choosing the IWR1443 mmWave sensor and EVM development ecosystem!

The IWR1443 Evaluation Module ([IWR1443BOOST](#)) is an easy-to-use evaluation board for the single-chip IWR1443 mmWave sensor, with direct connectivity to the TI MCU LaunchPad™ ecosystem.

The evaluation board contains everything needed to start developing with the mmWave RF, low-power ARM®-R4F controller, and FFT Accelerator. The evaluation board includes onboard emulation for programming and debugging, onboard buttons and LEDs for quick integration of a simple user interface. The standard 20-pin BoosterPack headers make the evaluation board compatible with a wide variety of TI MCU LaunchPads and enables easy prototyping.

A 5-V 2.5-A supply brick with a 2.1-mm barrel plug (center positive) is not included. TI recommends purchasing an external power supply that complies with applicable regional safety standards.

A Closer Look at the Hardware



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Intelligent Lighting and Factory Autoro
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Labs

Learn More through mmWave Labs

mmWave Labs are source code examples on how to get started with mmWave Sensing. Each lab provides detailed instructions to follow along while experimenting. Source code of each lab can be loaded directly into Code Composer Studio through the integrated view in TI Resource Explorer.

Labs can be accessed under Software > mmWave Training > Labs in the left menu.

Lab Name	Compatible EVM	Current Version
Water vs Ground Classification Demo	IWR1443, AWR1443	v1.6
mmWave SDK Demo - 16xx	IWR1642, AWR1642	v1.7
4K FFT Stitching Algorithm	IWR1443, AWR1443	v3.1
Vital Signs Demo	IWR1443, AWR1443	v1.1
Drone Altitude Demo	IWR1443, AWR1443	v1.3
Traffic Monitoring Demo	IWR1443, AWR1443	v1.3

CCS will detect the EVM connected to the PC and load the appropriate landing page in TIREX. Landing Page will introduce features of the EVM, out of box experience and available labs.

mmWave Labs are pre-made CCS projects for all demos and algorithms that the customer can start with immediately to accelerate their evaluation and development.

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Industrial mmWave –TIREX Chirp and Experiments

Item No.	Configuration Name	Device Type	Max Range (m)	Max Velocity (km/h)	Range Resolution (m)	RCS (m ⁻²)	HORN?	# of Tx Antennas	# of Rx Antennas	Update Rate (Hz)	More Information (LINK)
1.	Short Range Radar - Industrial EVM	IWR1642	94.00	30.00	0.1000	0.0000	No	2	4	40	Chirp configuration for short range radar application
2.	Decoder Position and Speed Estimation - EVM	IWR1642	200.00	32.00	0.4000	20.00	No	1	4	50	Chirp configuration for identify device and estimate speed
3.	Personal Transport Radar - Industrial EVM	IWR1642	120.00	150.00	2.0000	5.00	No	1	4	20	Chirp configuration for personal transport radar (non-HORN, 150 Km/h)
4.	Human Detection and High Velocity Radar	IWR1642	120.00	75.00	2.0000	5.00	No	2	4	20	Chirp configuration for human detection and high velocity radar
5.	Power Optimized Low Cost Industrial Thermal Imager	IWR1640	30.00	22.00	0.0400	1.00	No	1	1	10	Chirp configuration for low cost industrial thermal imager
6.	Traffic Monitoring - Industrial EVM	IWR1642	120.00	70.00	1.0000	5.00	No	1	4	20	Chirp configuration for traffic monitoring radar
7.	Vehicle Detection and Distance Radar	IWR1642	70.00	34.00	0.4000	5.00	Yes	2	4	20	Chirp configuration for vehicle detection radar

The setup for this experiment can be divided into two parts namely Physical setup and Software setup. These are detailed below:

Physical Setup

The physical setup includes information about the scene such as the distance between the object and the sensor antenna, the type of object used, environmental conditions of interest (dry vs rainy), hardware setup etc. The physical setup used for this experiment is given below:

1. A corner reflector (**delta reflector**) was used as a target object and it was kept 8-10 metres from the EVM, with the corner reflector facing the sensor antenna.
2. The corner reflector was mounted on a tripod and the scene was set up in the backyard of a home.
3. The hardware setup included an IWR1642 EVM connected to a Windows Host PC.

4. Rain was simulated using a sprinkler or a garden hose with a nozzle.

Chirp Database is a searchable repository of mmWave RF configurations that customers can use to get started designing their own system quickly.

Experiments are replicatable tests that TI engineers have performed to characterize the ability of mmWave sensors in different environments with different objects.

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mmWave Studio

Radar API

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LoadConfig SaveConfig SetUp TSW1400

Sensor Configuration

Profile

Profile Id	0	HPF1 Corner Freq	175K
Start Freq (GHz)	77.000000	HPF2 Corner Freq	350K
Frequency Slope (MHz/us)	29.982	Olp Pwr Backoff TX1 (dB)	0
Idle Time (μs)	100.00	Olp Pwr Backoff TX2 (dB)	0
TX Start Time (μs)	0.00	Olp Pwr Backoff TX3 (dB)	0
ADC Start Time (μs)	6.00	Phase Shifter TX1 (deg)	0.0
ADC Samples	256	Phase Shifter TX2 (deg)	0.0
Sample Rate (kps)	10000	Phase Shifter TX3 (deg)	0.0
Ramp End Time (μs)	60.00	Bandwidth(MHz)	1798.82
RX Gain (dB)	30		

Capture and Post Processing

TSW1400 ARM Trigger Frame PostProc Real Time

Dump File: C:\mmwave_dsp_00_07_00_04rf_... Browse

Chirp

Profile Id	0	Frequency Slope Var (MHz/us)	0.000
Start Chirp Tx Cfg	0	Idle Time Var (μs)	0.00
End Chirp Tx Cfg	0	ADC Start Var (μs)	0.00
Start Freq Var (MHz)	0.000000	TX Enable for current chirp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TX1 <input type="checkbox"/> TX2 <input type="checkbox"/> TX3

Frame

Start Chirp TX	0	No of Chirp Loops	128
End Chirp TX	0	Periodicity (ms)	40.000000
No of Frames	0	Trigger Delay (μs)	0.00
		Duty Cycle	0.0

Trigger Select SoftwareTrigger Test Source Enable Set

Set Manage Chirps

Radar Studio v1.7.4.0

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Ramp Timing Calculator

The following utility assumes that chirps of only 1 profile are used within a frame. The Ramp timing outputs are minimum values needed values for full filter chain setting. This assumes that TX start time is set to 0 (at knee of the ramp) or earlier. NOTE: This calculation does not take into account the high speed lane rate requirements. These will have to be taken care of separately.

Ramp Timing Inputs

ADC Full Rate Mode ADC Half Rate Mode

DFE Mode Complex1x DFE Mode HPF1 Corner Freq 175K

Slope (MHz/us) 50.018 HPF2 Corner Freq 350K

ADC Samples 256

Sample Rate (kps) 5000

Recommended Configuration

	90% Setting	95% Setting	99% Setting	User Prog
Idle Time (μs)	5	5	5	5
ADC Start Time (μs)	3.61	4.64	5.99	4.64
Ramp End Time (μs)	55.84	56.87	58.22	56.87
Valid Sweep BW (MHz)	2560.92	2560.92	2560.92	2560.92
Total Sweep BW (MHz)	2793.01	2844.52	2912.05	2844.52
Inter Chirp Time (μs)	9.84	10.67	12.02	10.67

Ramp Timing Diagram

BLUE = Not a register. Shown for information only
BLACK = Fully configurable per chirp (through the chirp configuration RAM)

- Tool for RF Front-End configuration, Raw ADC data capture and Post processing.**
- Ability to configure the sensor without the need for a user application, including data path configuration (LVDS or CSI2).
- Advanced features such as Ramp timing calculator for fine tuning the sensor configuration for performance
- Interfaces with TSW1400 data capture card for a single tool data capture solution.
- Scripting interface for characterization and performance evaluation.