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LiDAR-Solutions for Automotive and Industrial Applications

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FMD Offer for Customers





Application Specific Solutions

 6 specific application topics with collaborative advantage

Technology Platforms

 6+1 technology platforms along the value chain

FMD as a Strong Fundament

 13 member institutes of the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft and Leibniz-Gemeinschaft

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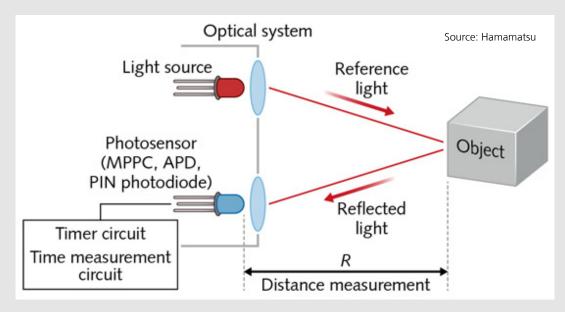


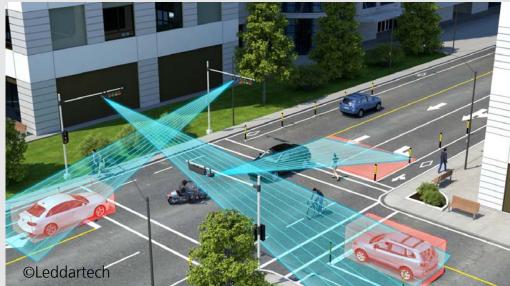
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LiDAR



- LiDAR/LaDAR = Light/Laser Detection and Ranging
- Range determination by time-of-flight measurement





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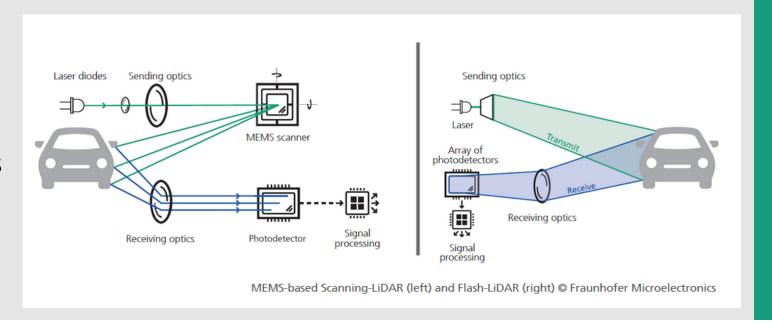
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LiDAR

Expertise along the entire value chain



- Competencies along the entire value chain of a LiDAR system
 - Different LiDAR approaches
 - MEMS-based scanning LiDAR
 - Flash LiDAR
 - OPA
 - Different wavelengths
 - 905nm as well as1550nm and others



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LIDAR

Expertise along the components of the entire value chain



signal processing / detection laser source sending optics beam steering receiving optics sensor data fusion IOF IOF **FBH IPMS IMS FHR** IOSB HHI ILT ISIT IAF

LiDAR - value chain for 905 nm and 1550 nm



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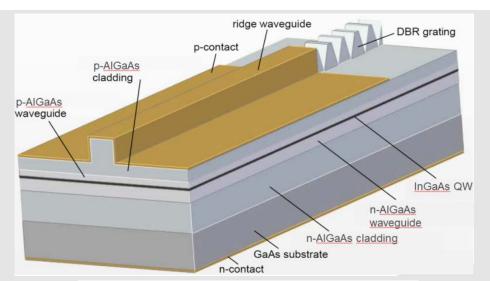


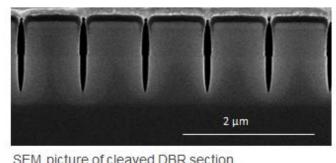
Laser Source

Distributed Bragg Reflector (DBR) Broad Area (BA) Laser



- GaAs-based
- Single-step MOVPE
- Emission wavelength near 905 nm at RT
- lateral optical and electrical confinement by dry-etched trenches
- Contact widths: W = 30, 50, or 100 μm
- Total cavity length L = 6 mm
- Higher-order surface Bragg grating integrated in the rear part of the cavity, L(DBR) = 1 mm





SEM picture of cleaved DBR section

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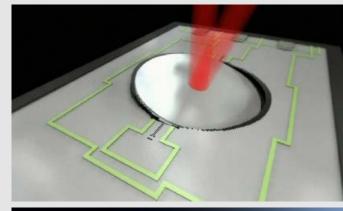


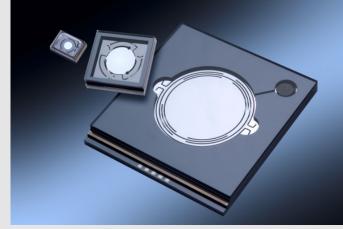
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Beam Steering

MEMS based LiDAR Scanner Concept







Distance Laser Scanner using MEMS

Advantages

- + fast scanning (no air bearings)
- + low weight, very robust
- + (potentially) low cost

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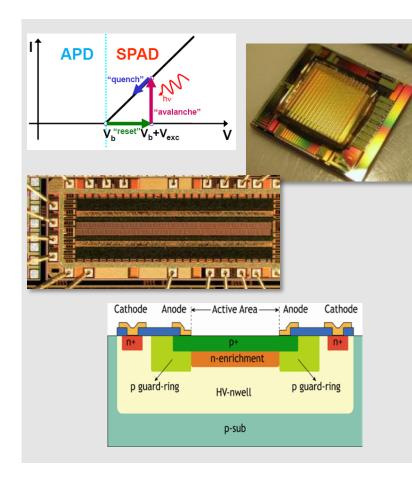




Detection

Single-Photon-Avalanche-Diode (SPAD)





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- Avalanche photodiode operated above breakdown voltage (= Geiger-Mode)
- Very few photons can be detected
- CMOS integration allows for high spatial resolution and on-chip signal processing
- Fast operation with very good time resolution
- No analog signal processing needed

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Conclusion



- LiDAR systems is one of the key component for future autonomous systems
- Inside the FMD cooperation the full value chain including system integration could be offered
- The FMD offers industrial contract research till pilot production and technology transfer to realize future MEMS based LiDAR systems

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