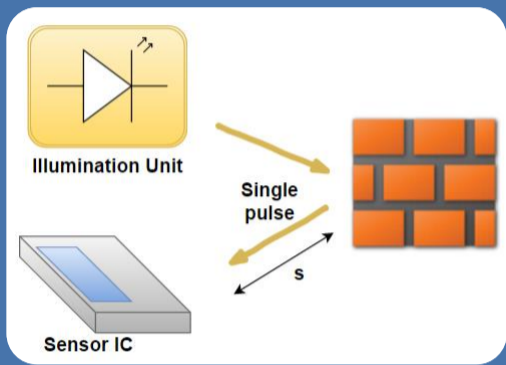


Real-time optical range sensing application development

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Introduction



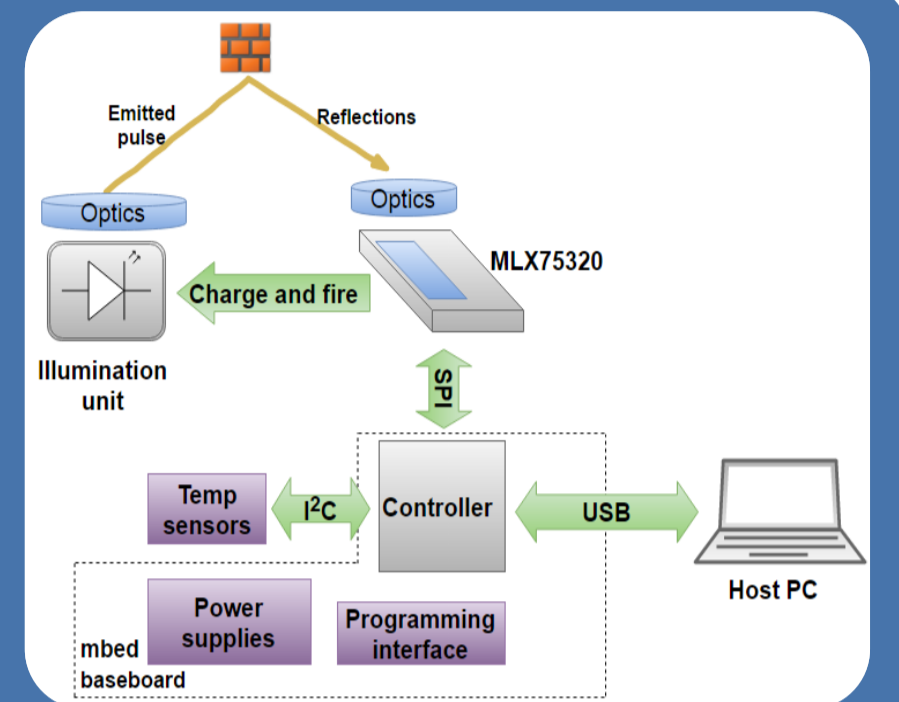
Distance measuring principle:

$$distance = \frac{speed\ of\ light \cdot time}{2}$$

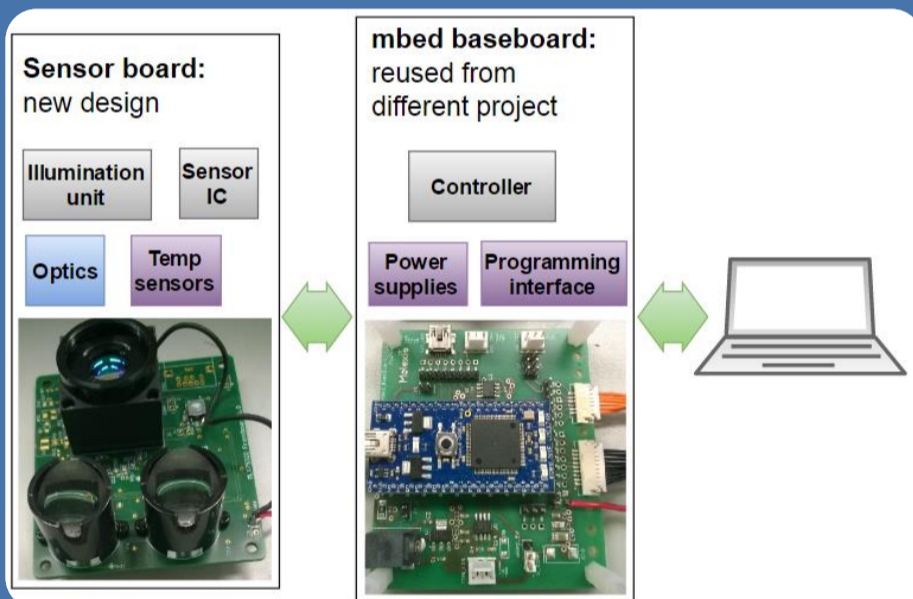
- Evaluation kit and application development for new LIDAR sensor IC
- 16 channel distance measurement without moving parts

Concept

1. Host → controller
2. Controller → sensor IC
3. Sensor IC: measure
4. Sensor IC → controller
5. Controller → host
6. Host: display distance

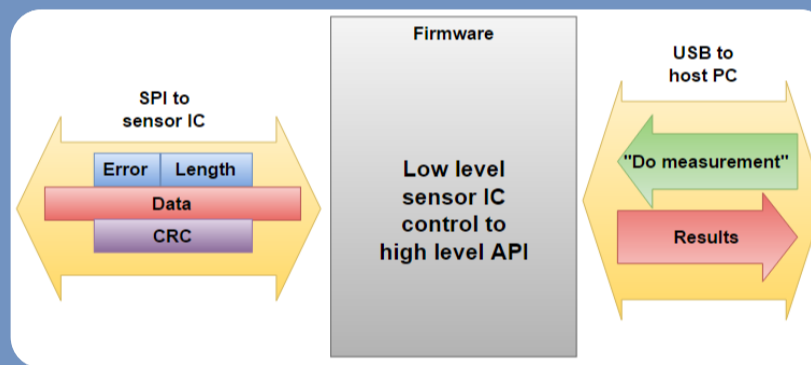


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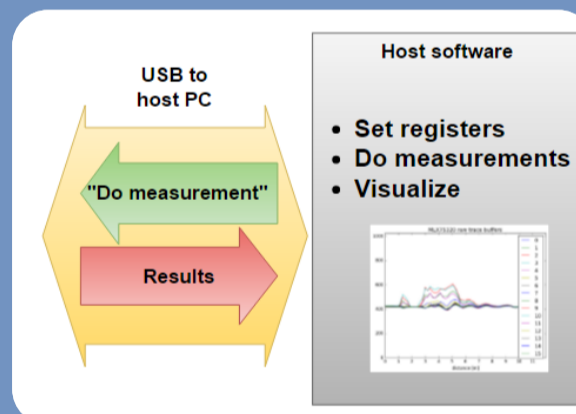


Software

- Microcontroller software

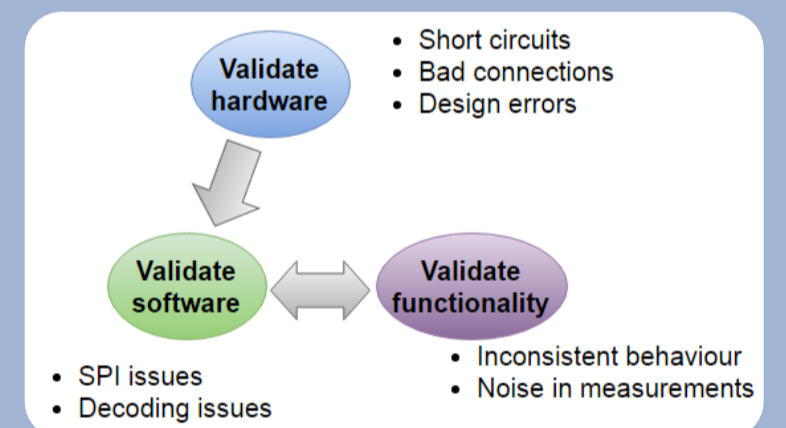


- Host software



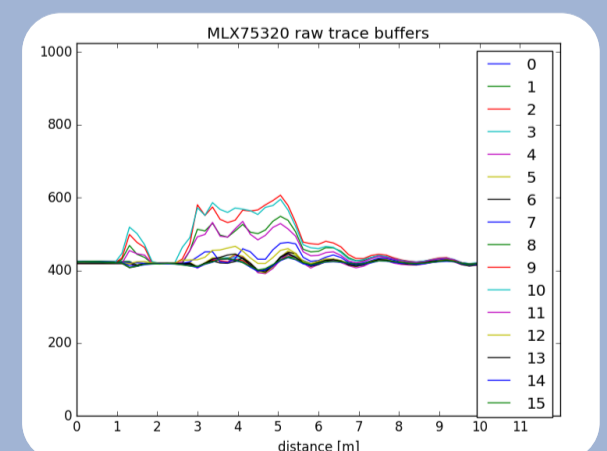
Validation

- Flow of validation:
 - Validate hardware
 - Back and forth between software and functionality validation



Results

- First iteration evaluation kit hardware
- Lessons learned
- Low level SPI to High level USB API in microcontroller
- Host application software to plot measurements in graph



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