RTI in Autonomous Driving

PROVIDING SAFETY, RESILIENCE AND SECURITY

HIGHLIGHTS

Addresses a wide range of connectivity and integration requirements

Provides a common interface to different sensor technologies, networks and protocols

Eases certification to ISO 26262 up to ASIL D and IEC 61508 to SIL 3

Ensures complete location transparency and application portability

Implements data-centric connectivity model with full visibility of data in-motion

Delivers low latency with real-time Quality of Service (QoS)

Meets demands of increasingly large-scale and complex systems

Provides self-forming and self-healing with no single point of failure

Enables data-level security with full support for confidentiality, integrity and access control

Connecting autonomous driving

RTI Connext DDS provides core connectivity to autonomous driving applications as well as other safety-critical applications across many industries. It is used through the entire prototyping, development and certified production process.

A fully autonomous car is essentially a self-driving robot with some of the most demanding safety requirements in any industry. The Data Distribution Service (DDS) standard, implemented in the RTI Connext DDS product, has its roots in autonomous robotics and is widely adopted by the military, aviation and medical industries for mission-critical and safety-critical systems. DDS has an innate ability to effectively address the fundamental requirements of real-time systems, such as reliability, performance and integration at scale. This makes it invaluable for autonomous car manufacturers.

Connext DDS is the only middleware technology to deliver microsecond latency, safety certification, fine-grained security and proven operational readiness. It can be found at the core of unmanned air systems, NASA rovers, as well as Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) and autonomy platforms of leading car manufacturers.

Autonomous car designers can leverage RTI's extensive experience with autonomous robotics, safety-critical systems and state-of-the-art architectures to simplify development, design, integration and certification.

Data Centricity and Autonomous Systems

Data-centric connectivity is a relatively new concept in distributed systems design. It originated in autonomous robotics and excels at simplifying complex integration and
communication between individual robotic components. Researchers of autonomous vehicles at the Stanford Aerospace Robotics Laboratory pioneered the development of the core technology. In 2004, it was codified into the DDS standard.

Similar to a database, data-centric connectivity uses a well-defined data model as a shared interface for interaction between different components. Data-centric systems can be designed to detect and manage data model changes and adapt to these changes at runtime. This makes a data-centric connectivity approach very effective in any application with self-learning and/or self-remediation requirements, such as autonomous driving. In large projects, data centricity also helps minimize application interdependencies to enable parallel component development and rapid integration.

Unlike a message-centric model, a data-centric model encapsulates the functionality of data connectivity. It handles most of the functions that a message-centric model requires in an application, greatly reducing the application's complexity.

WHY CHOOSE RTI CONNEXT DDS?

RTI Connext DDS addresses many critical requirements of ADAS and Autonomous Driving applications including:

- **Quality of Service** - a core feature of Connext DDS, delivers guaranteed latency and control over data flow and network bandwidth.
- **Built on Data Distribution Service (DDS)**, the proven connectivity standard used by AUTOSAR Adaptive and ROS2 for autonomous vehicles.
- **Common data model** - applications and systems share data using a common and well-defined data model across all components.
- **Data-centric architecture** - decoupling integration logic from system components with a data-centric architecture simplifies collaboration of global teams and suppliers.
- **Scalability** - Connext DDS can be efficiently used for many thousands of applications with hundreds of development teams worldwide.
- **Real-world experience** - Connext DDS has been developed with years of experience supporting customers with demanding industrial applications.

Connext DDS is the only middleware technology offering microsecond latency, ISO 26262 safety certification, fine-grained security and proven operational readiness for revenue-critical, multi-billion dollar automotive product lines.

ABOUT RTI

Real-Time Innovations (RTI) is the largest software framework provider for smart machines and real-world systems. The company’s RTI Connext® product enables intelligent architecture by sharing information in real time, making large applications work together as one.

With over 1,500 deployments, RTI software runs the largest power plants in North America, connects perception to control in vehicles, coordinates combat management on US Navy ships, drives a new generation of medical robotics, controls hyperloop and flying cars, and provides 24/7 medical intelligence for hospital patients and emergency victims.

RTI is the best in the world at connecting intelligent, distributed systems. These systems improve medical care, make our roads safer, improve energy use, and protect our freedom.

RTI is the leading vendor of products compliant with the Object Management Group® (OMG) Data Distribution Service™ (DDS) standard. RTI is privately held and headquartered in Sunnyvale, California with regional headquarters in Spain and Singapore.