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Radar Systems Engineering: Making the Right Design Choices for Next Generation Designs



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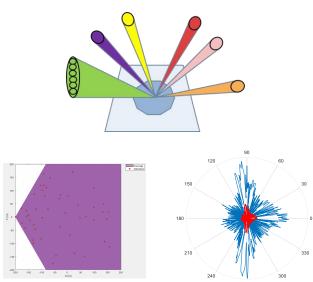


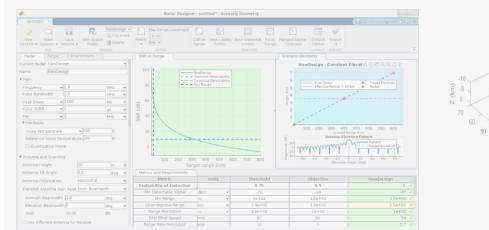


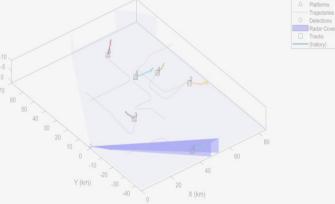


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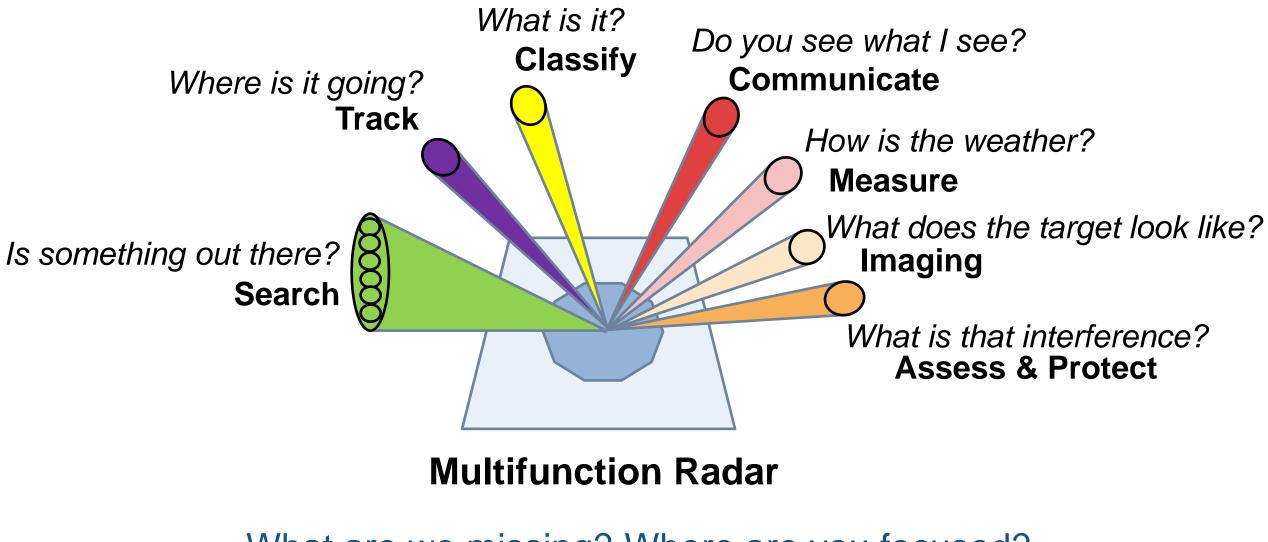
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Multifunction operations in harsh environmental conditions for smaller targets Radar System Engineering Making engineering trade-offs early in the design cycle

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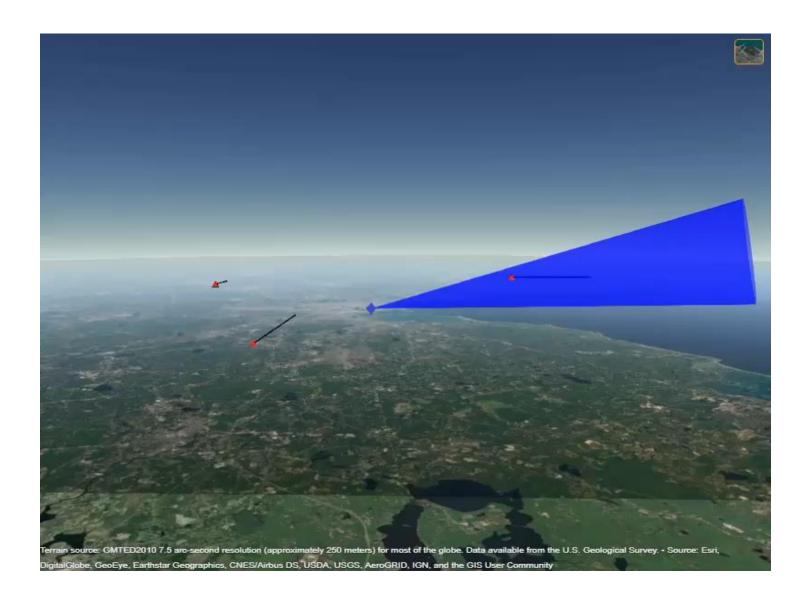
Selecting the right level of model abstraction

Today's radar systems perform multiple functions



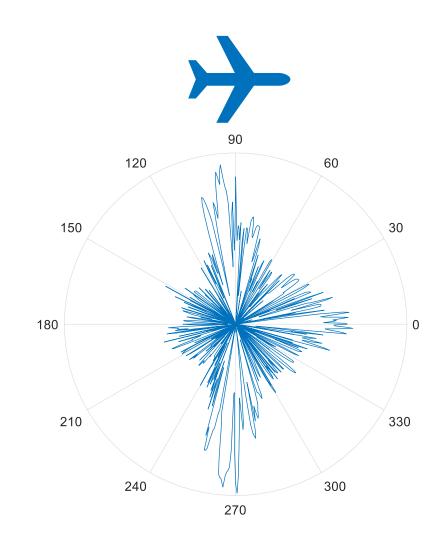
What are we missing? Where are you focused?

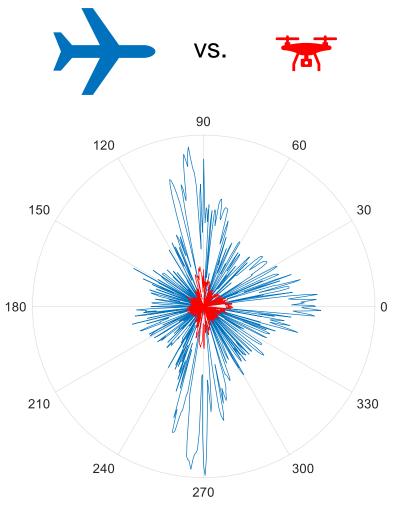
Radar systems need to detect smaller targets





Smaller targets are harder to detect



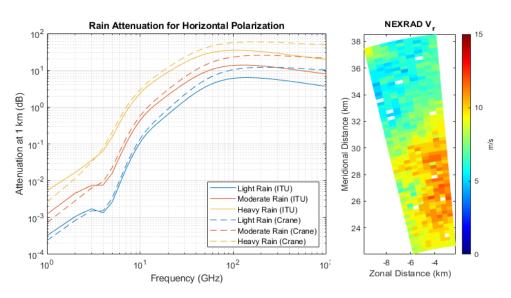


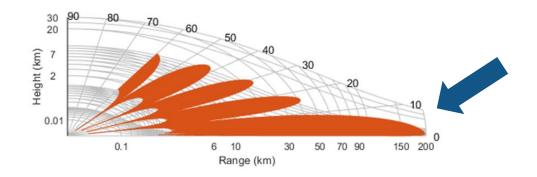
Radar cross section: dBsm vs. aspect angle

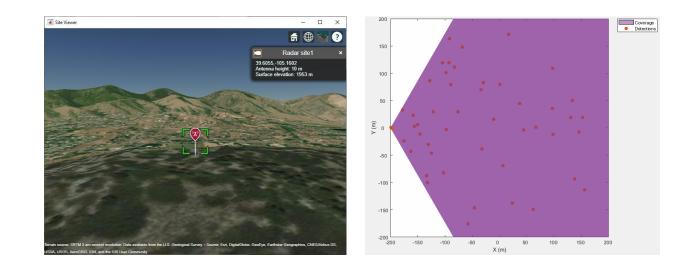
<u>Typical RCS (m²⁾</u> Large aircraft 100 Small UAV <<1

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Smaller targets fly at lower altitudes where environmental conditions are a factor







Propagation losses & clutter

Clutter returns from the terrain

Signal+Noise

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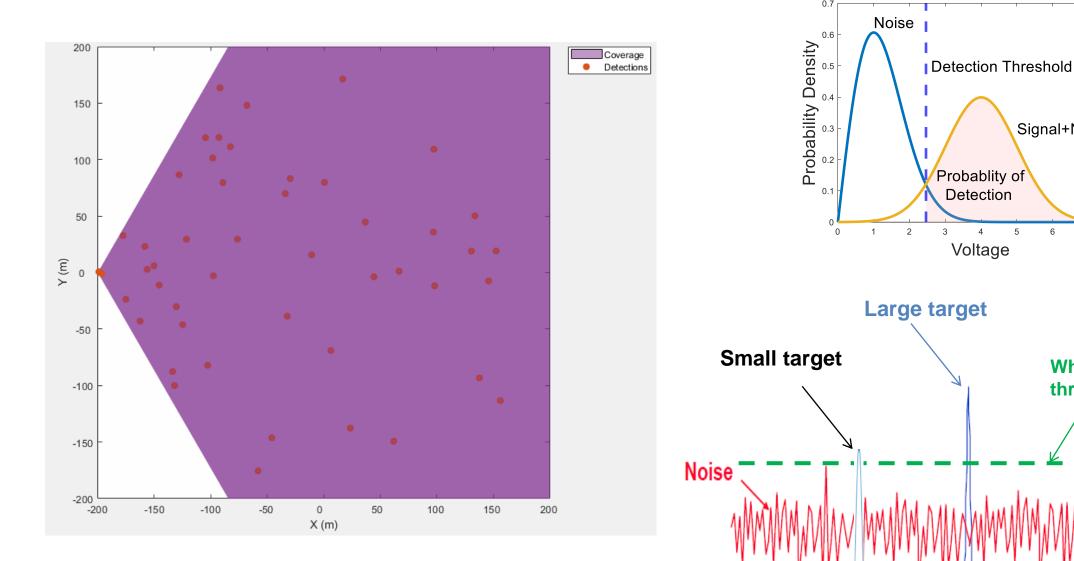
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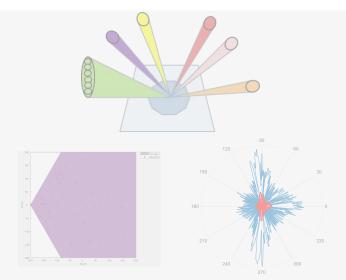
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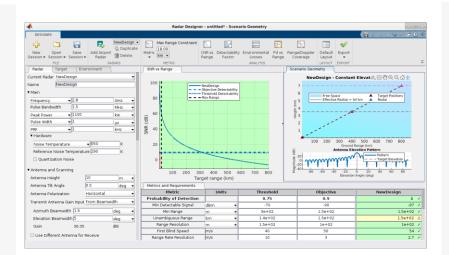
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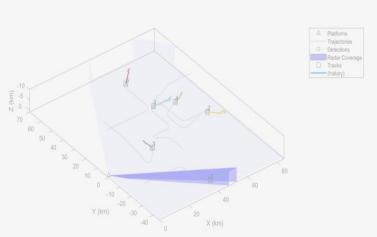
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A trade must be made between detections and false alarms







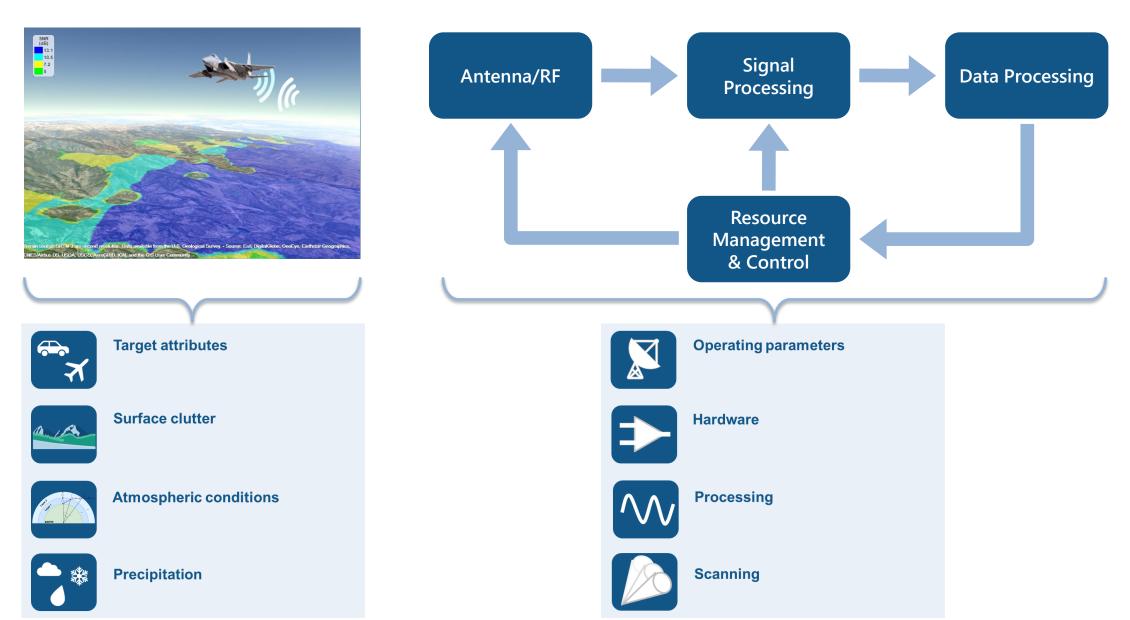


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Selecting the right level of model abstraction

The design must work in for a range of environments and scenarios

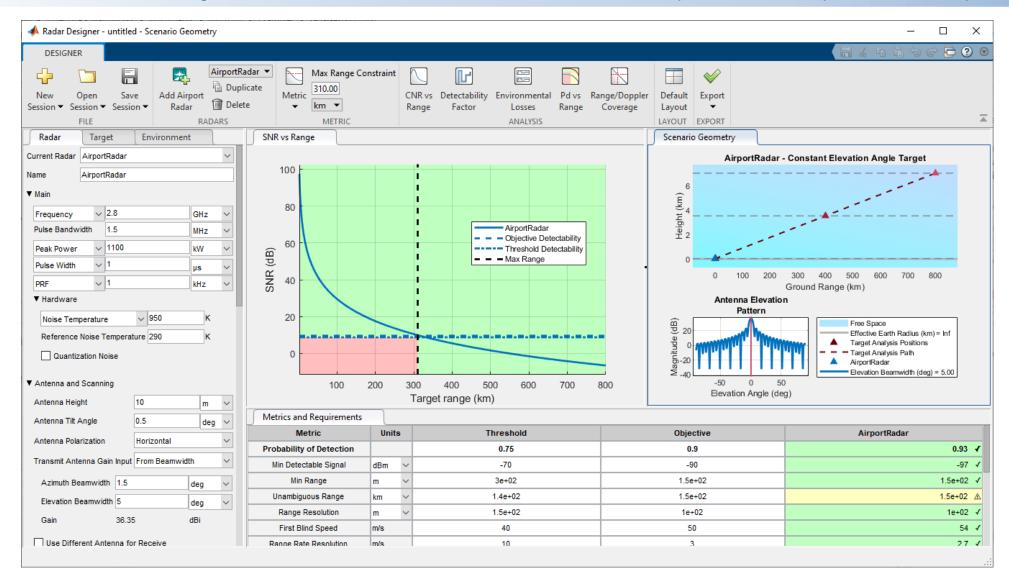


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Radar Designer App can help you interactively evaluate tradeoffs

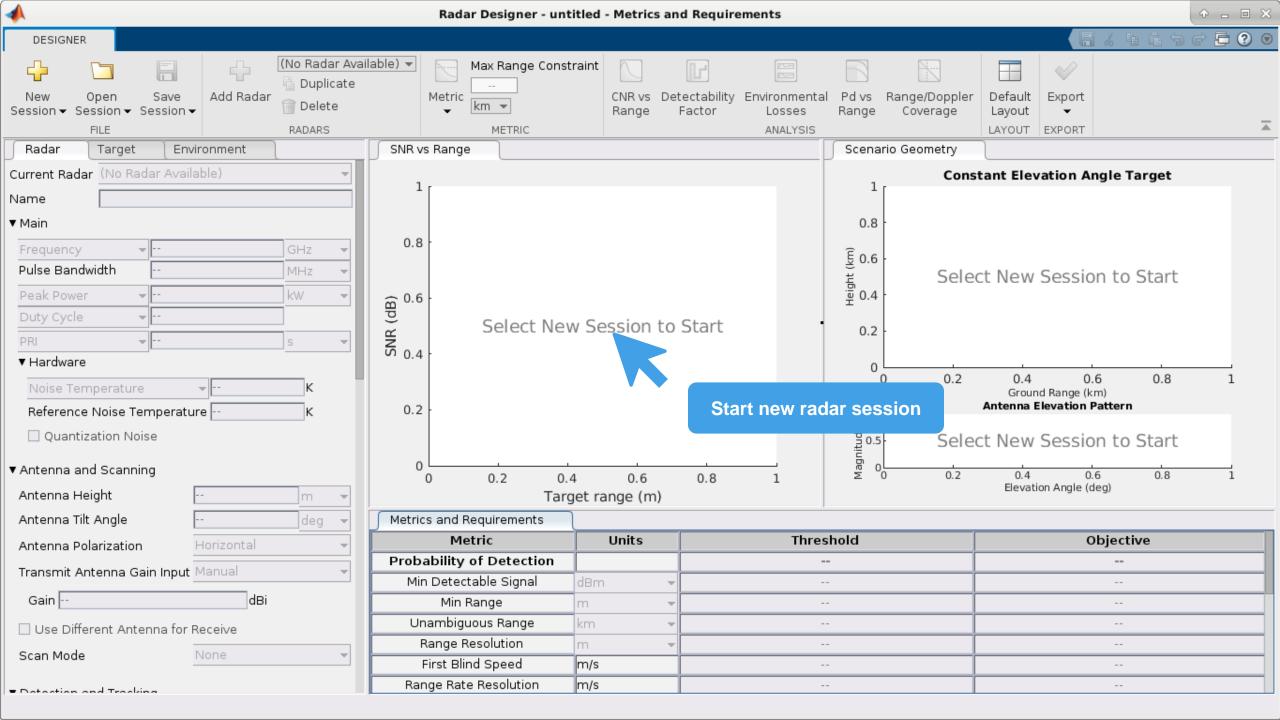
Quick start with 5 built-in configurations

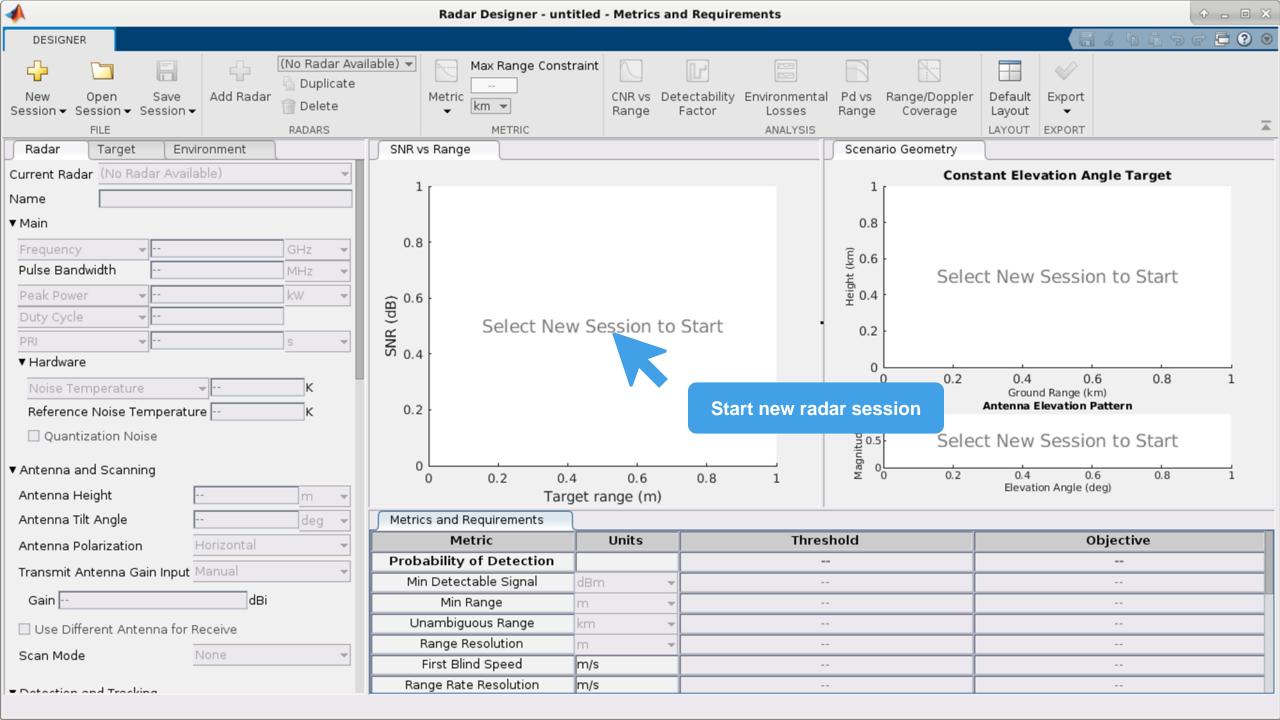
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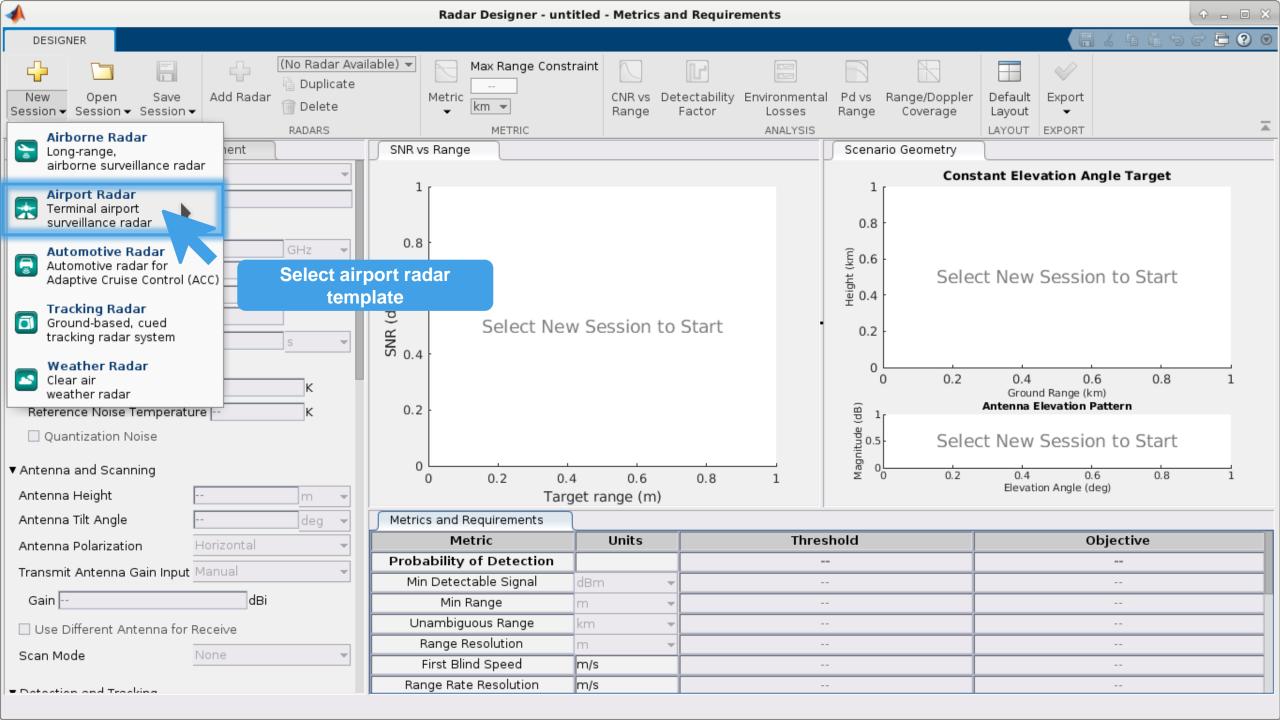


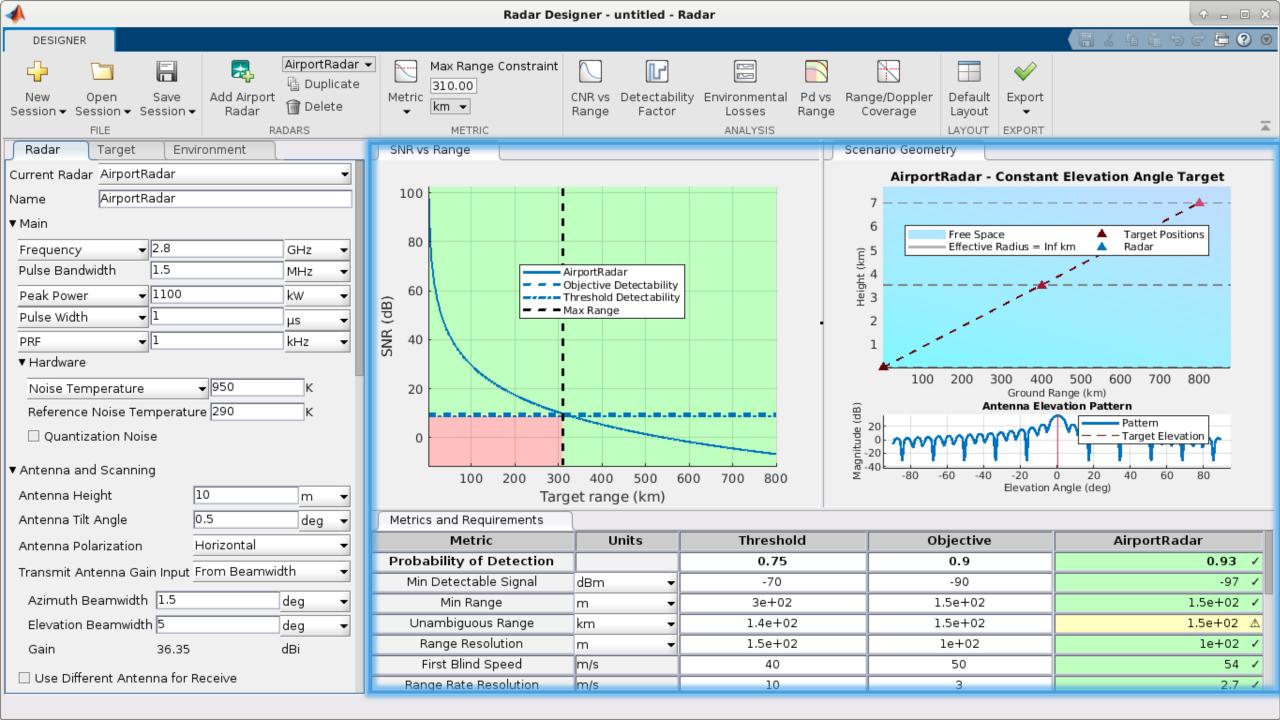
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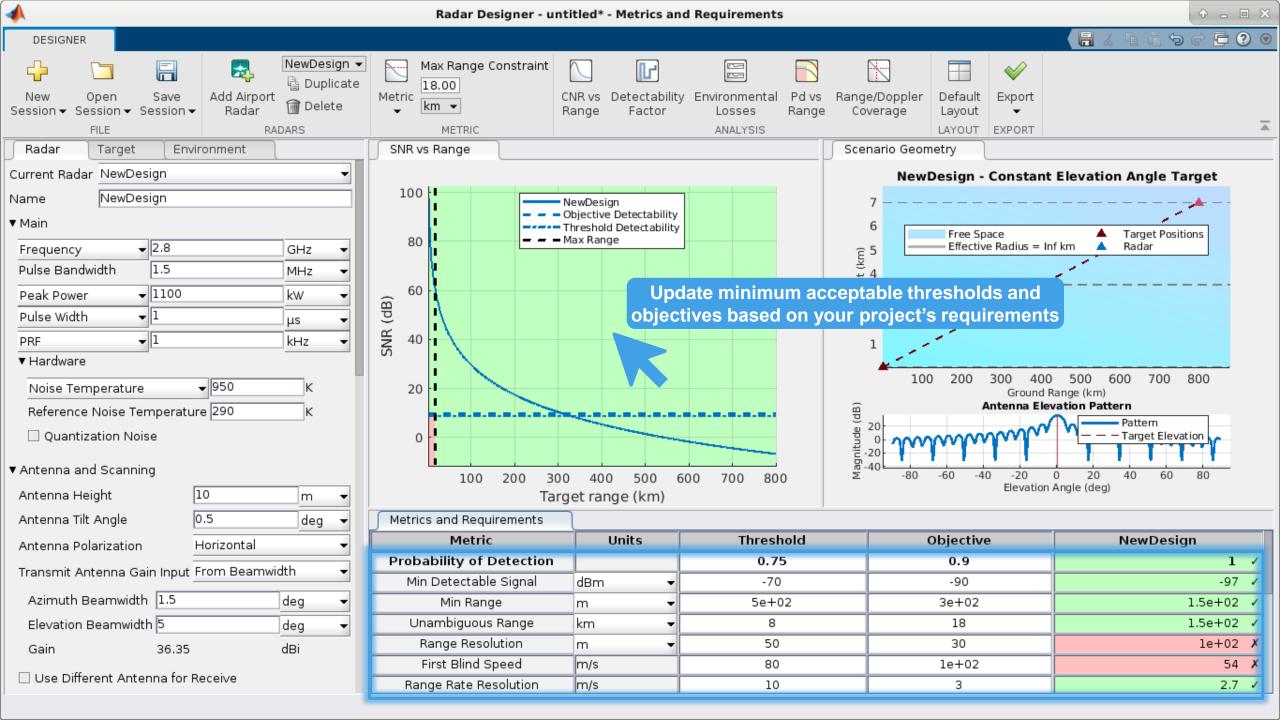
What tools do you currently use for your preliminary radar system design?

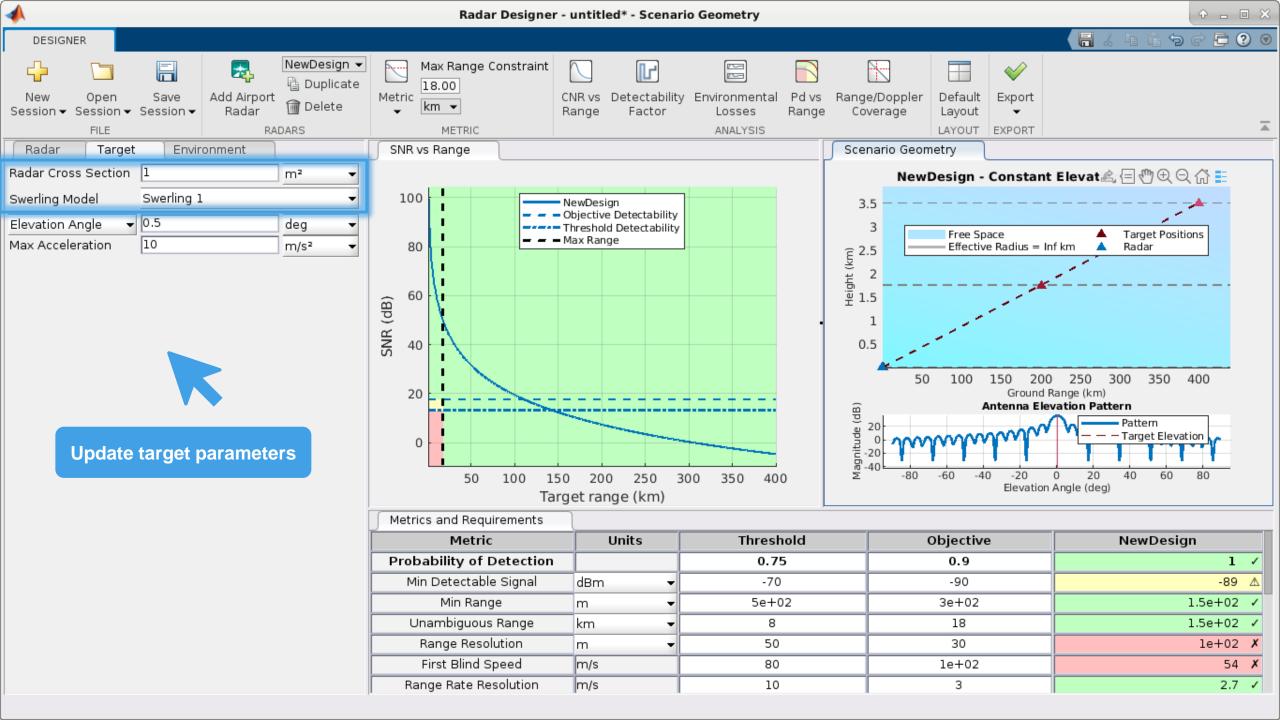


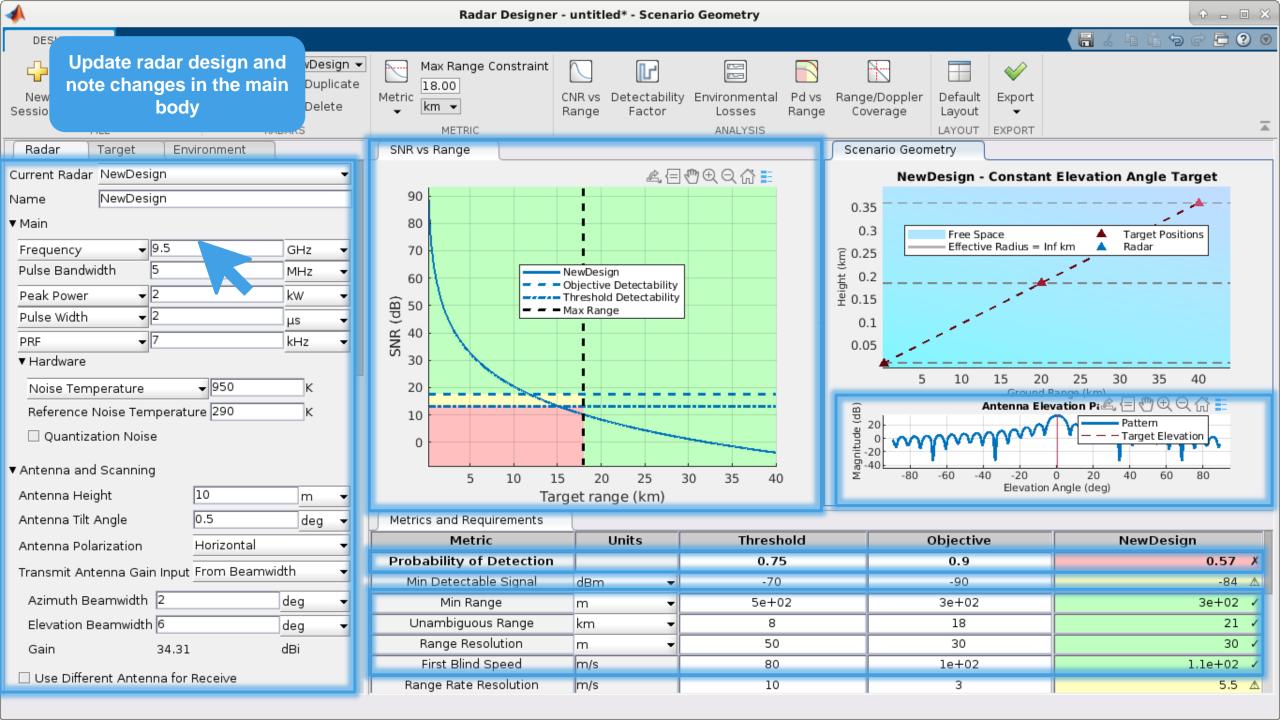


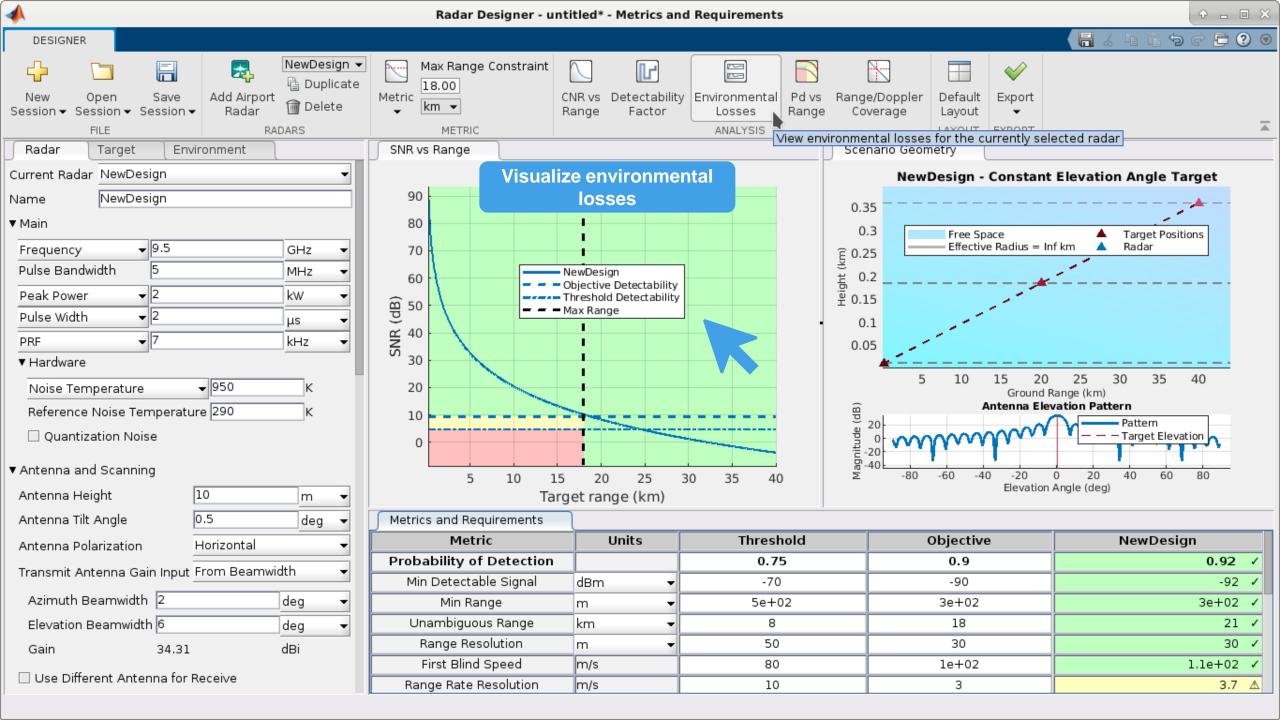


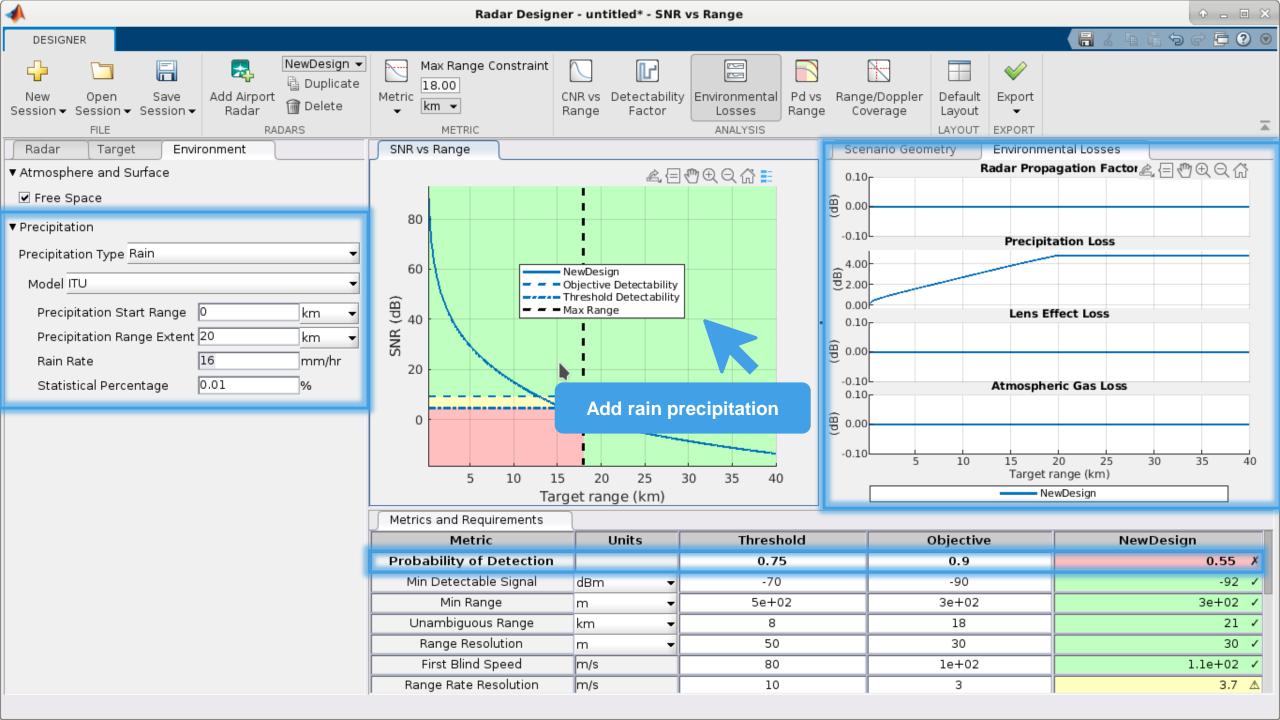


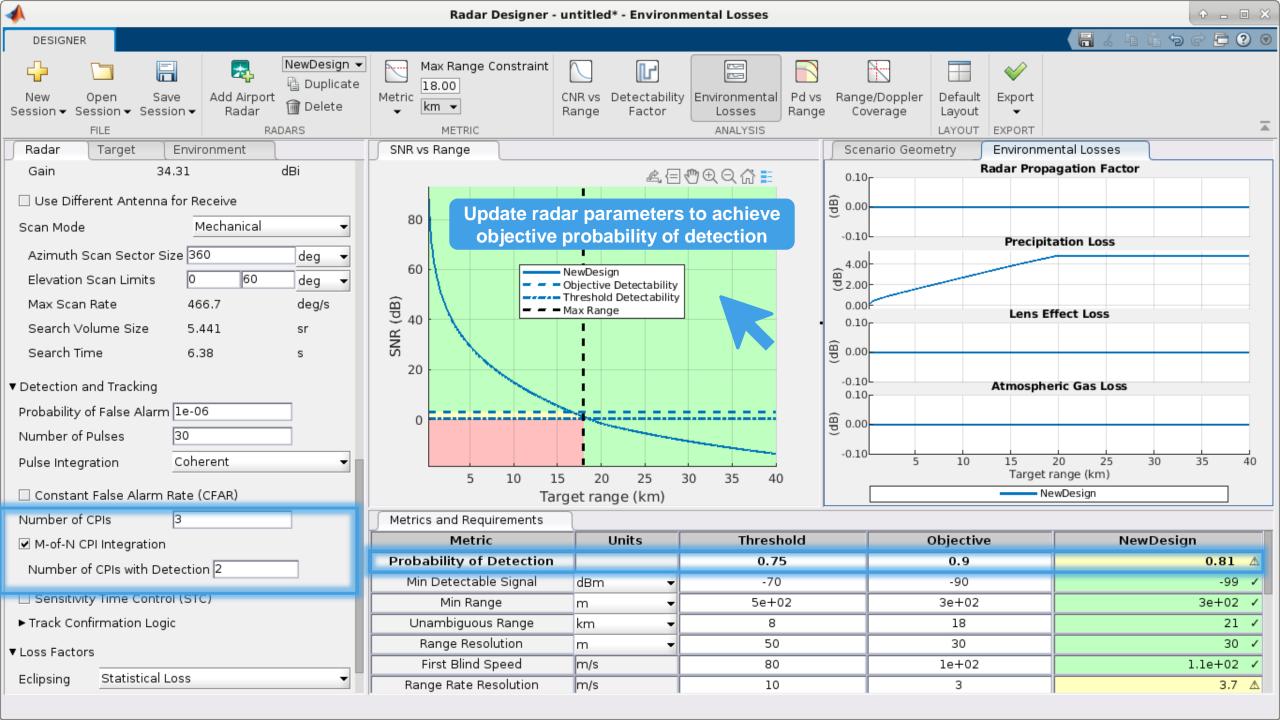


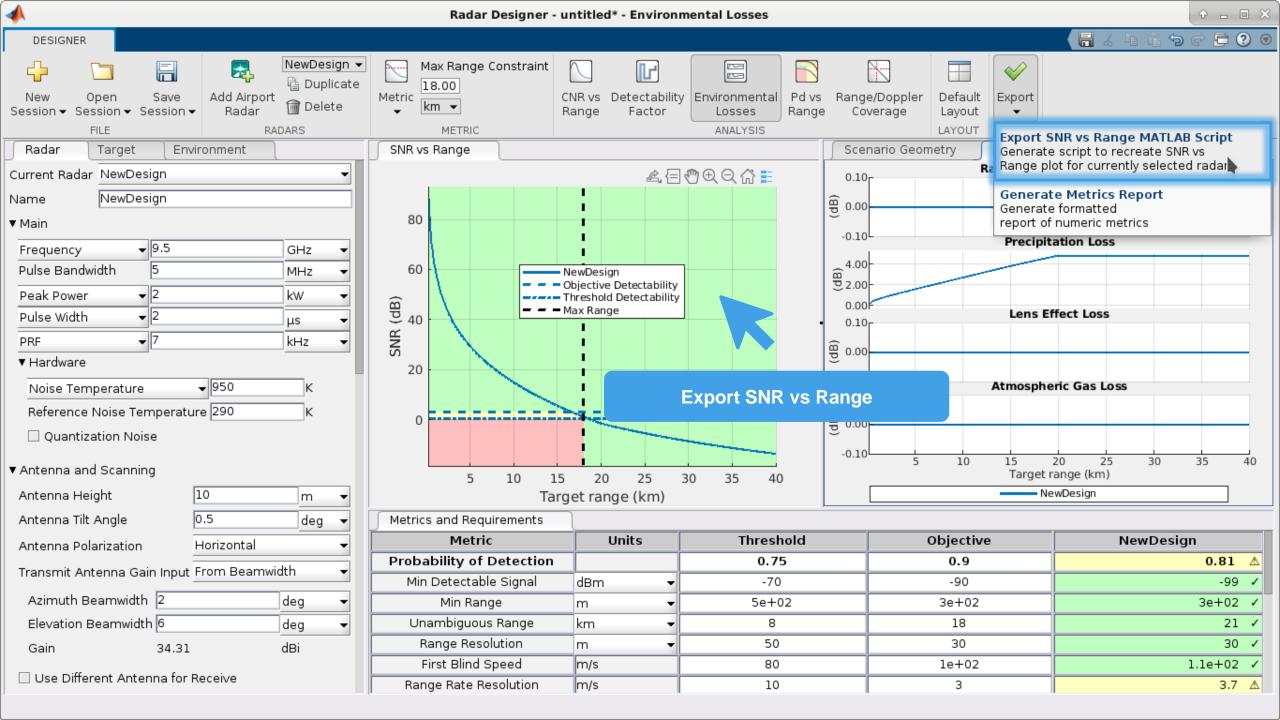


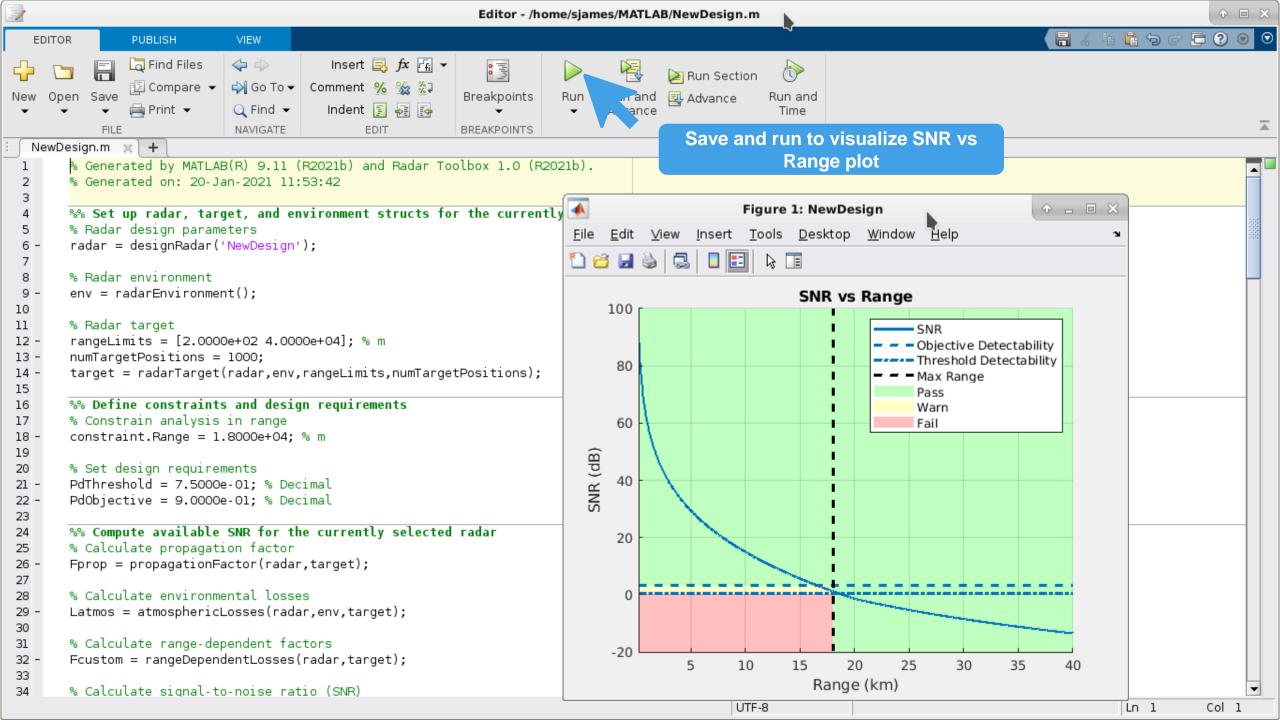


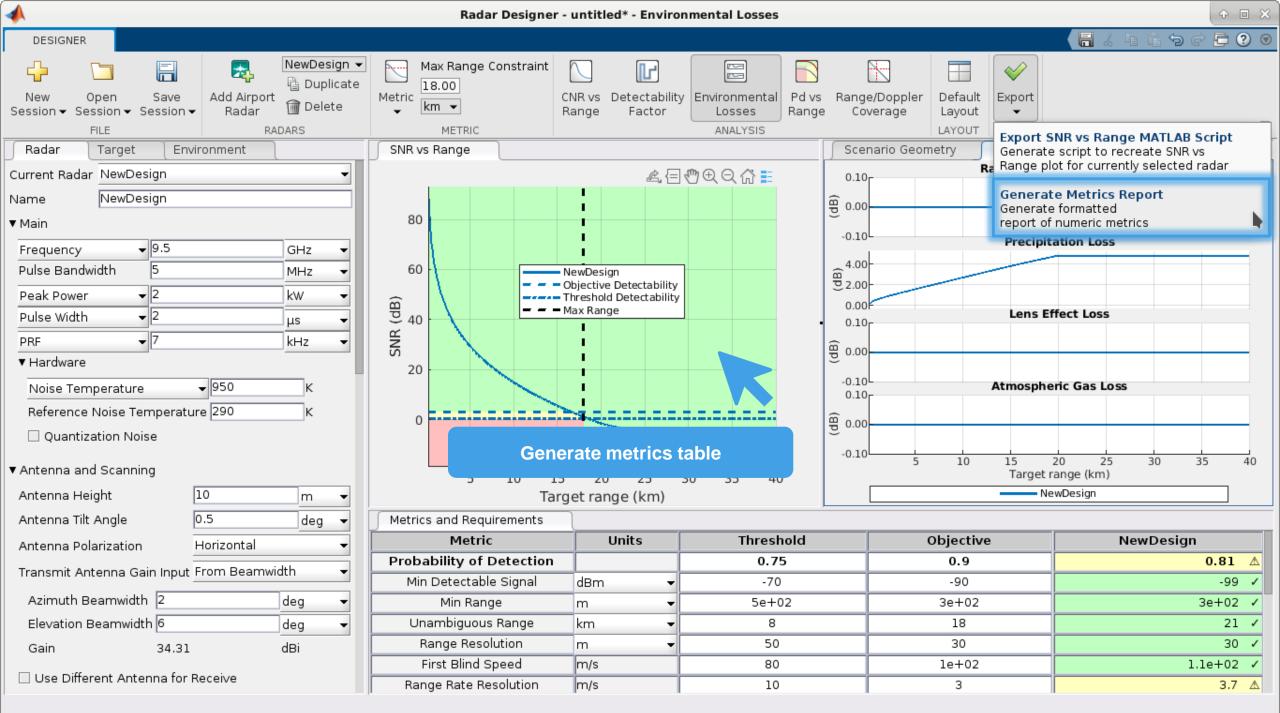












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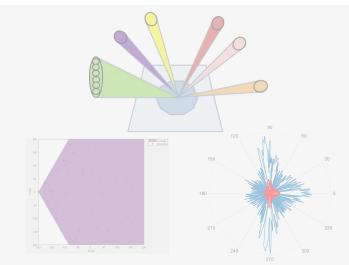
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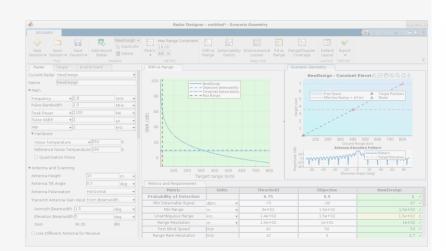
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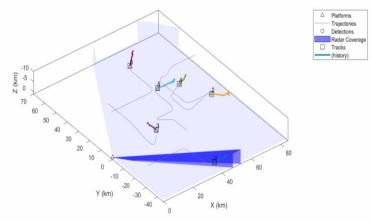
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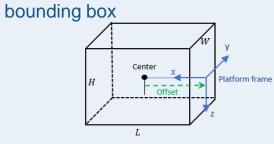
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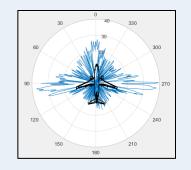
Authoring surface, air and space scenarios for radar applications

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Pla	atforms and Targets	Trajectories	Sensors		scenarios	

Object Dimensions



RCS signature Az, el pattern frequencies dependency

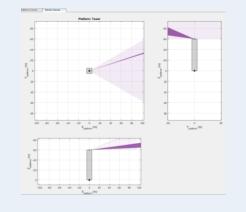


Use kinematic properties acceleration, angular velocity

Use waypoints position, orientation, time of arrival, ground speed, climb rate

fixed NED or ENU frame (x,y,z) or, geo-referenced (lat, lon, alt)

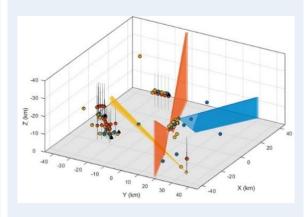
Radars on platforms Mounting position and orientation of radar sensor on platform



INS sensor

platform self-awareness sensor to platform frame conversion

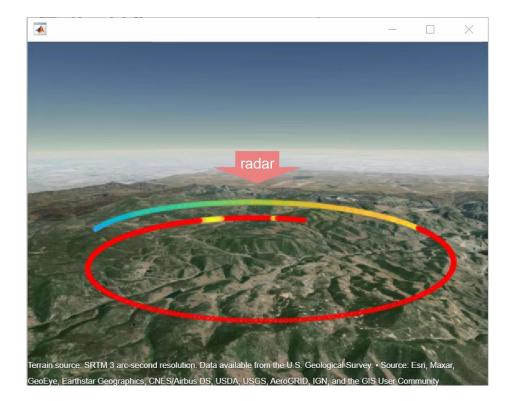
Generate radar data I/Q signals, detections, tracks



Monte Carlo perturb ground truth and sensor to increase testing robustness

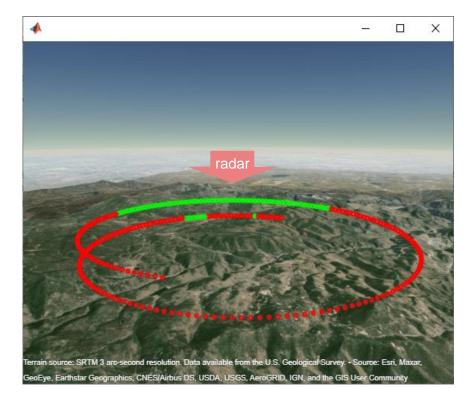
You can also evaluate detectability for the scenario

Line-of-sight (LOS) and SNR over terrain



Colors other than red: SNR Red: No LOS

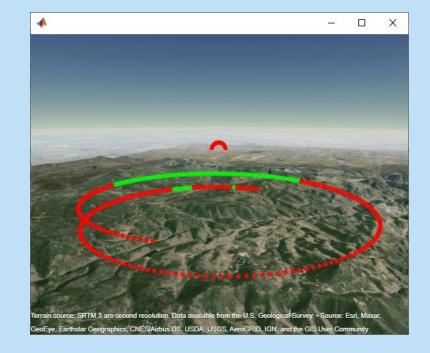
Iterate on design to increase detectability



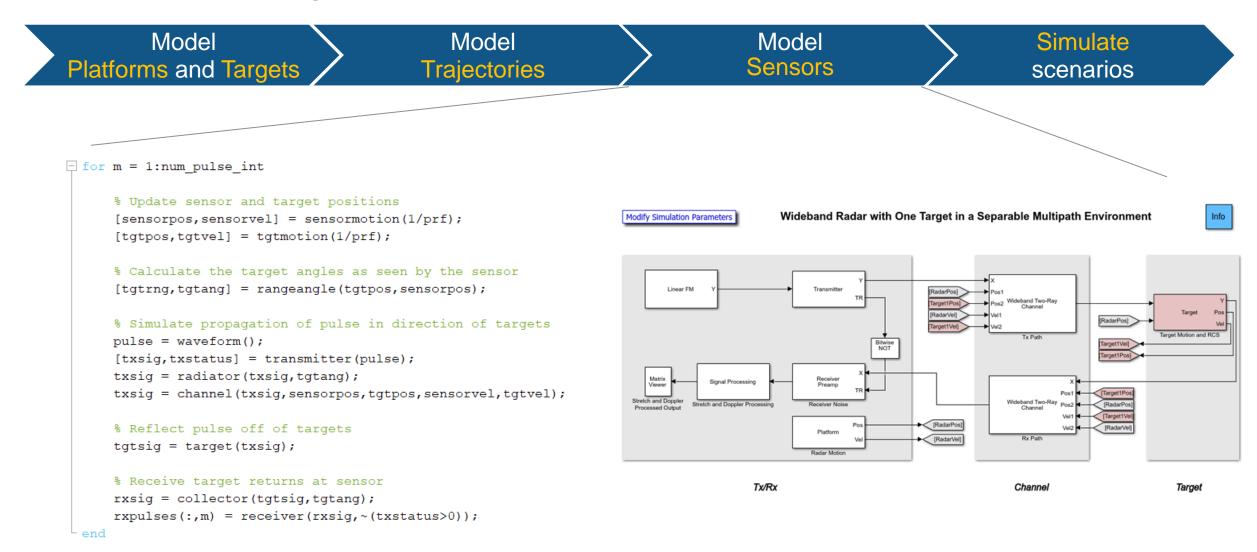
Green: Target detectable Red: No LOS/target non detectable

Poll question

- What can we do to increase the target's detectability (select all that apply)?
 - a) Increase the radar transmit power
 - b) Integrate the radar returns over multiple pulses
 - c) Increase the height of antenna
 - d) Turn off the target's cloaking device



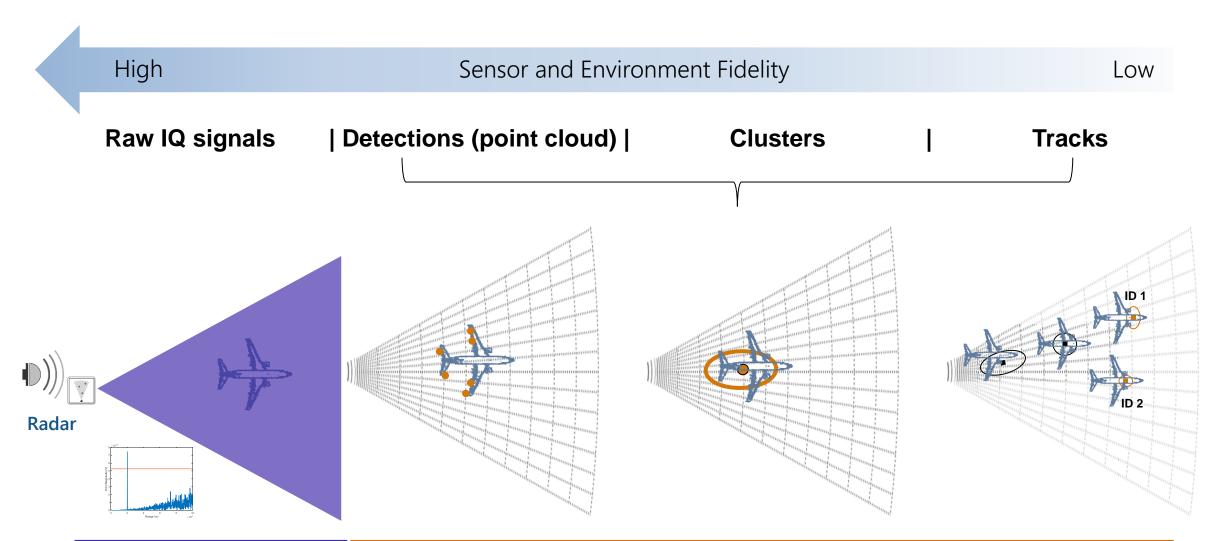
Radar Modeling and Simulation



Radar Modeling and Simulation

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Target Report Format.	'Clustered detections'			

Radar data synthesis spans a range of fidelity levels



Waveform-level Model

Measurement-level Model

Dynamically switch between waveform-level & measurement-level models

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sensor =

Target Ground Tru

Radar Statistical Detection

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Transitioning From Statistical to Physics

Based Radar Models

This treats a radar as a perception

antenna array to capture RF energy.

Open Live Script

system that uses an antenna or

radarDataGenerator with properties:

SensorIndex: 1 UpdateRate: 53.5714 DetectionMode: 'Monostatic' ScanMode: 'Mechanical' InterferenceInputPort: 0 EmissionsInputPort: 0

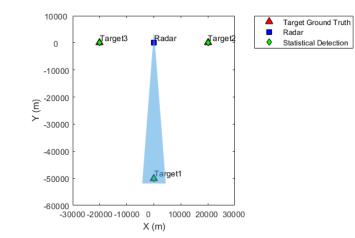
> MountingLocation: [0 0 -15] MountingAngles: [0 0 0]

> > FieldOfView: [1.4000 5] RangeLimits: [0 100000]

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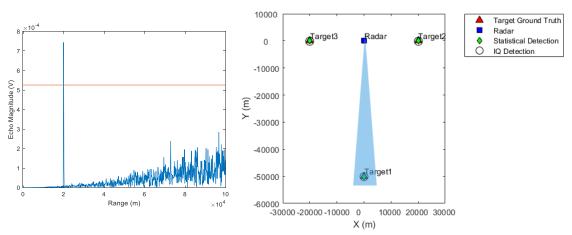
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Show all properties



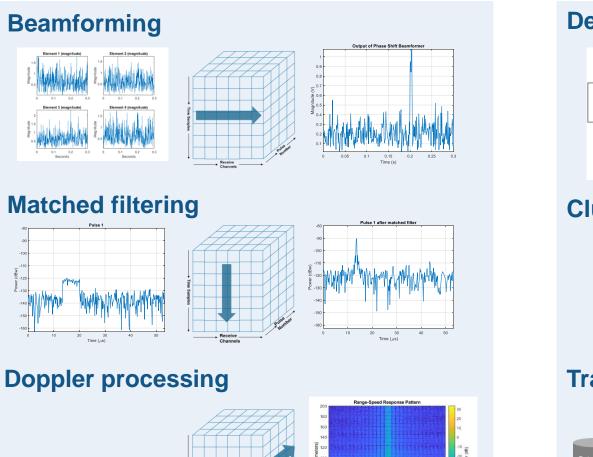
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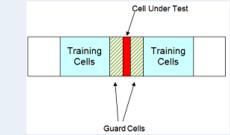


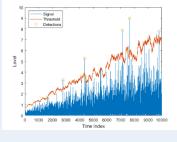
Measurement-level Model (Statistical) Waveform-level Model (Physics-based)

You can then apply a range of signal and data processing algorithms

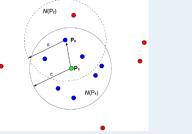


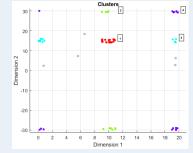
Detection (CFAR)



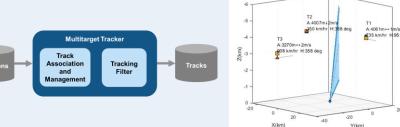


Clustering (DBSCAN)

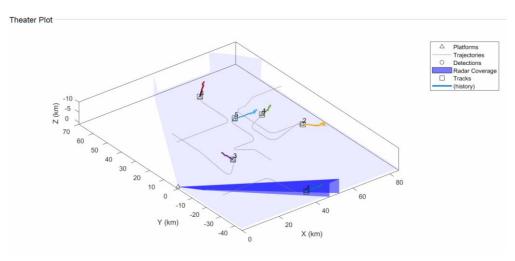




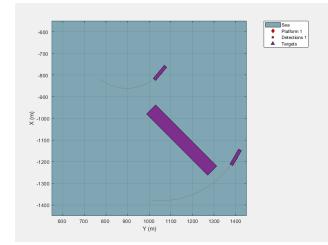




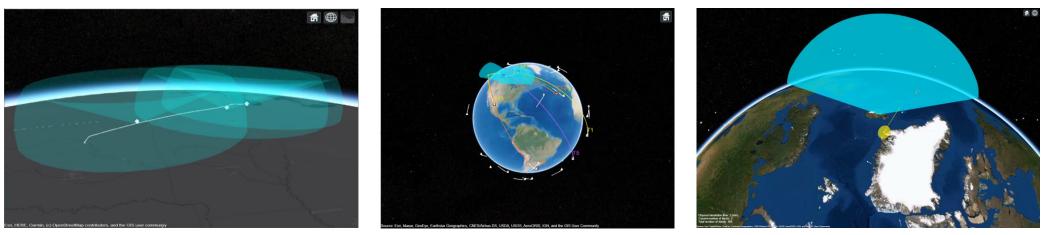
These types of models can scale to larger radar systems



Multifunction Radar



Maritime surveillance

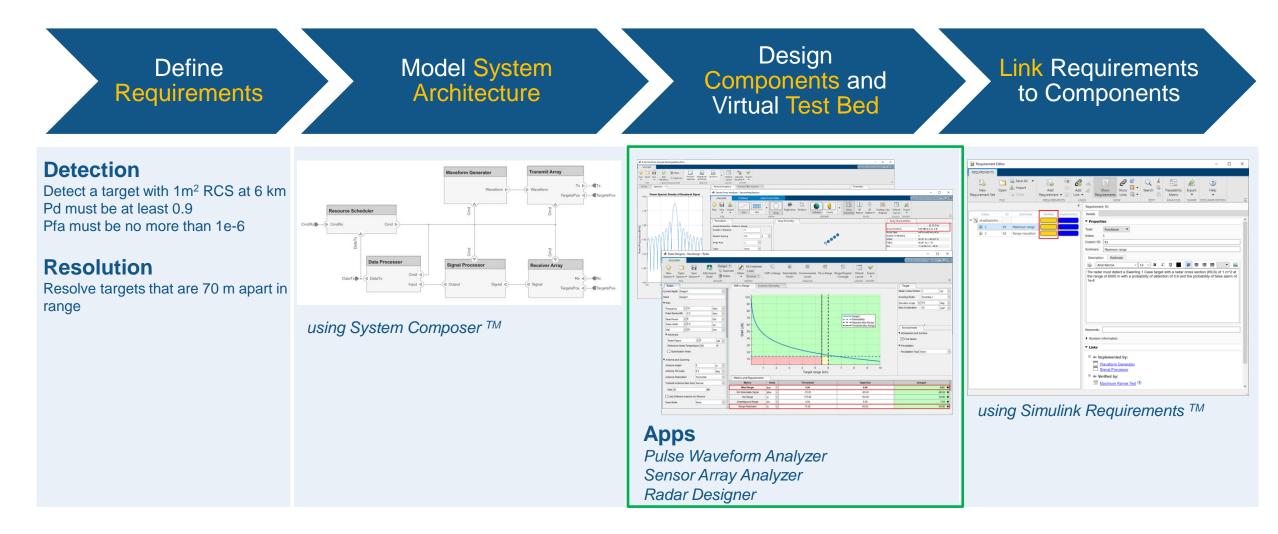


System of radar systems

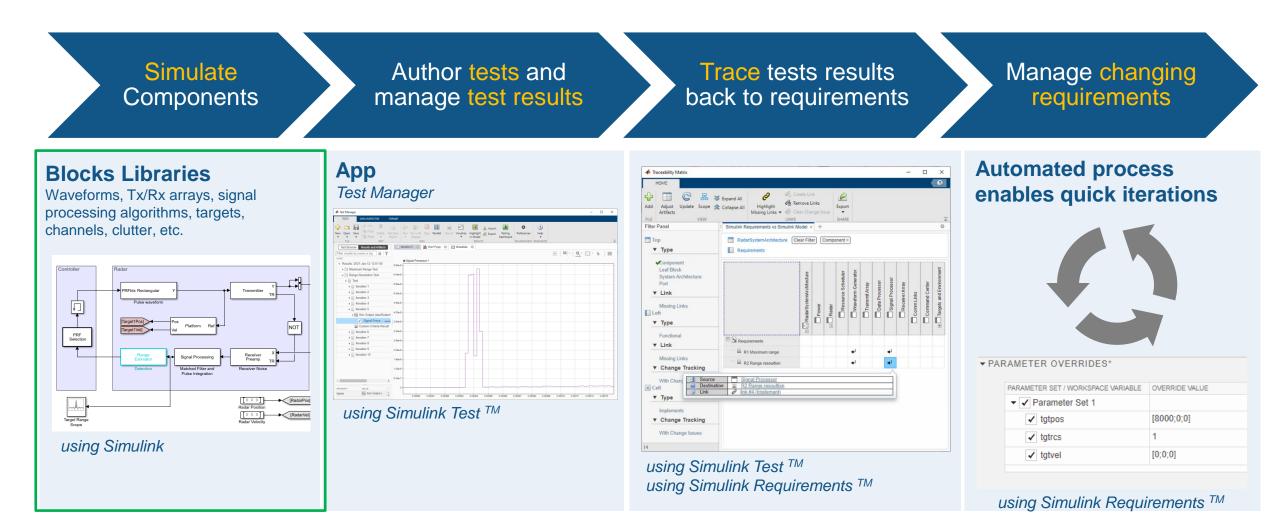
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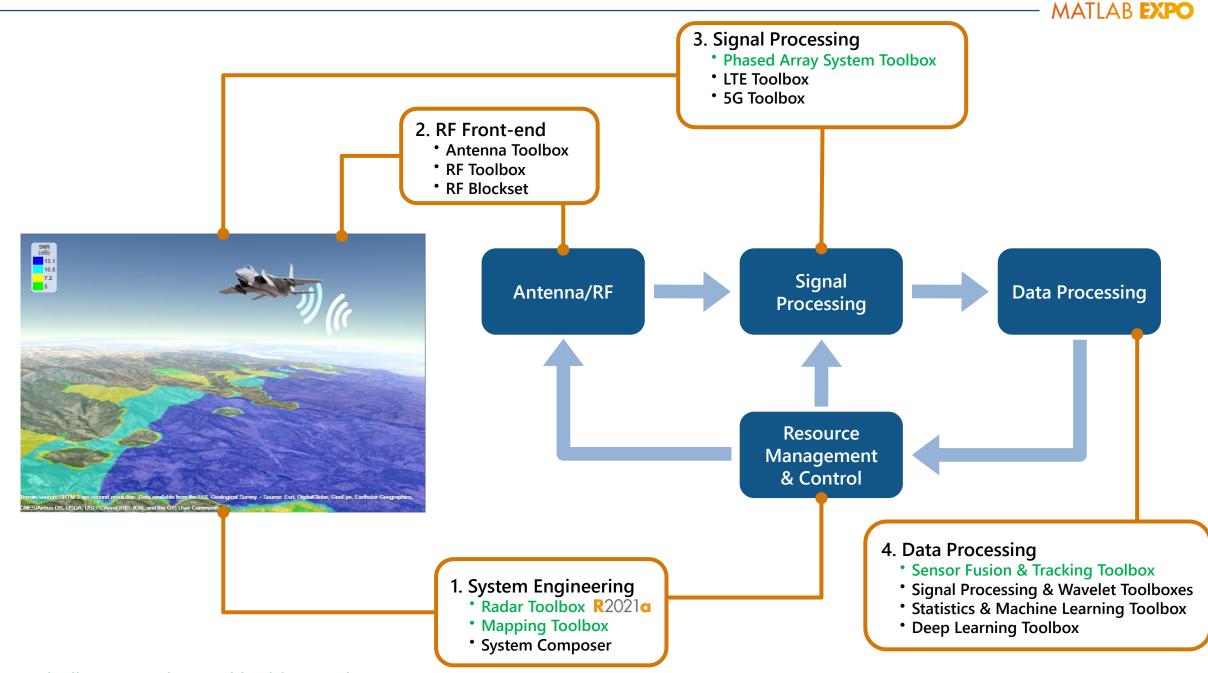
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Radar Architecture Modeling: System partitioning & requirements allocation



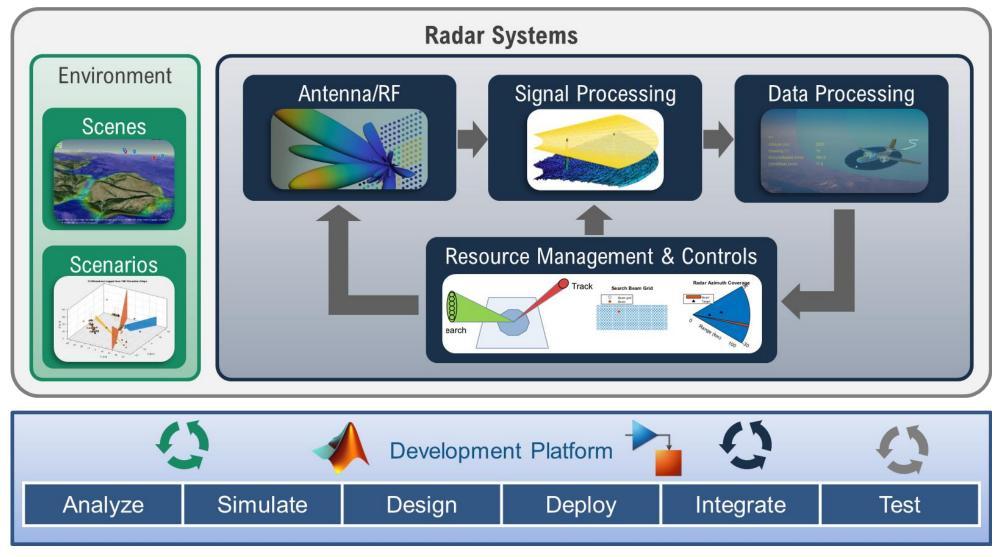
Test automation & requirements traceability: Manage changing requirements





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