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The mathematical model of a physical process becomes part of the software to replace a real sensor with a virtual sensor. Image courtesy of ESI Group.

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The aim of the EMPHYSIS project (Embedded Systems with Physical Models in the Production Code Software), led by Bosch, was to jointly come up with a new open standard that lays the foundation to develop new tools. This allows model-based functions to be realized directly in embedded software with better code and less effort.

For this purpose, the project carried forward the idea of the very successful functional mock-up interface (FMI) model exchange standard for simulation to develop FMI for embedded systems—the new "eFMI standard." This enables various advanced model-based approaches for control and diagnosis, such as solving a set of differential equations to compute a signal instead of measuring it via a sensor.

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For society as a whole, EMPHYSIS’ better software translates into safer and more efficient vehicles that can keep up with customer demands and help tackle climate issues in the longer term, according to Bosch.

Sources: Press materials received from the company and additional information gleaned from the company’s website.