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# **Automotive Radar Systems – Helping to Improve Road Safety**

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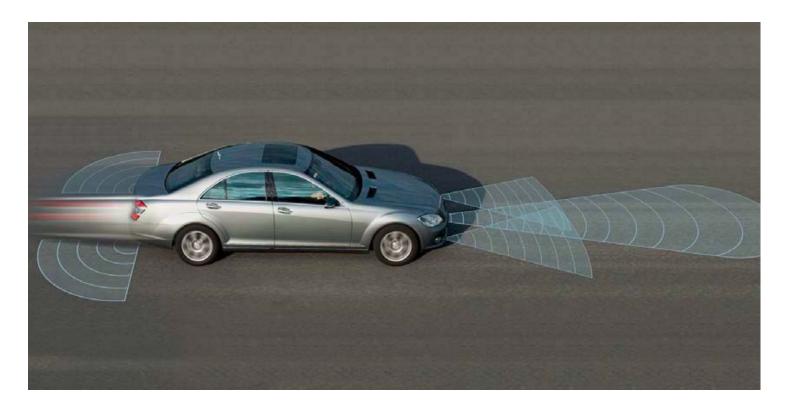
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#### **Overview**

- Radar Technology in Mercedes-Benz Cars
- Radar Based Driver Assistance Systems
  - Active Blind Spot Assist
  - DISTRONIC Plus
  - PRE-SAFE® Brake

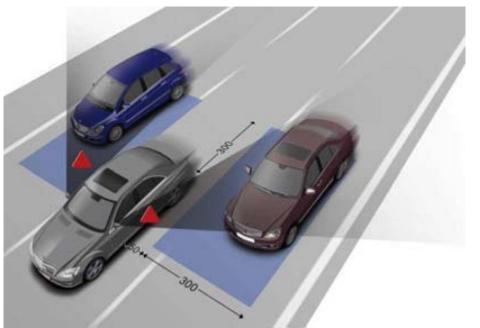
#### Radar Sensors in Mercedes-Benz Cars



Mercedes-Benz Cars can be equipped with two types of radar sensors:

- •Long Range Radar: 76 GHz Narrow Band (behind the radiator grill)
- •Short Range Radar: 24 GHz Ultra-Wide Band (inside the

### **Active Blind Spot Assist**





**Short Range Radar** sensors in the rear bumper observe the vehicle's blind spots. The driver is assisted in three stages:

- •Warning symbol in the exterior mirror indicate a vehicle in the bind spot
- •Flashing symbol and acoustic warning when turn indicator is activated
- •Corrective steering by autonomous single wheel braking action when side-to-side collision is imminent

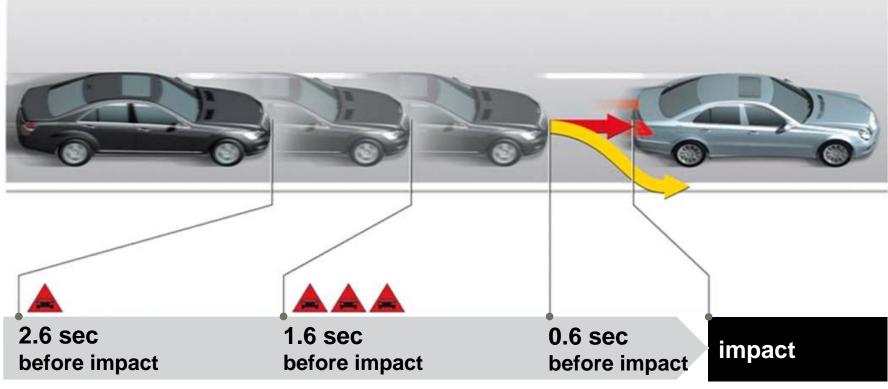
#### **DISTRONIC Plus**



Long Range Radar sensors and Short Range Radar sensors observe the lane in front of the vehicle.

- •The system regulates the vehicle's speed ensuring that a safe distance to the vehicle ahead is maintained
- The system also supports stop-and-go traffic

#### **PRE-SAFE® Brake**



- Warning symbol
- Acoustic signal 1

- Flashing symbol
- Acoustic signal 2
- Car brakes 40% autonomously
- Occupant protection systems engage

- Car brakes
- Car brakes100%autonomously
- If an impact cannot be avoided, the reduced speed mitigates the effects of the

accident

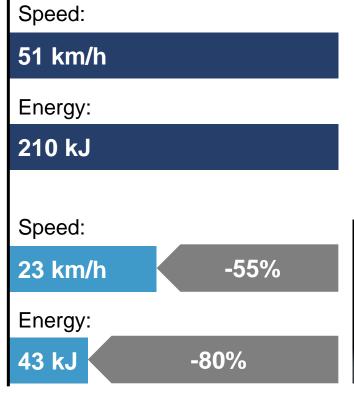
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# **Effective Crash Mitigation through PRE-SAFE® Brake**

Scenario: Two vehicles – one with PRE-SAFE® Brake, one without – drive towards a fixed obstacle at 51 km/h.

Without PRE-SAFE® Brake

With PRE-SAFE® Brake







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