



# Die Nutzung eines Image Signal Prozessors (ISP) zur Bildvorverarbeitung

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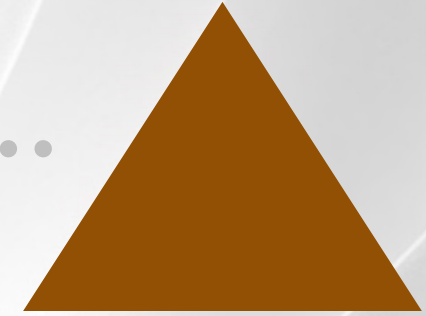
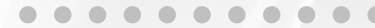
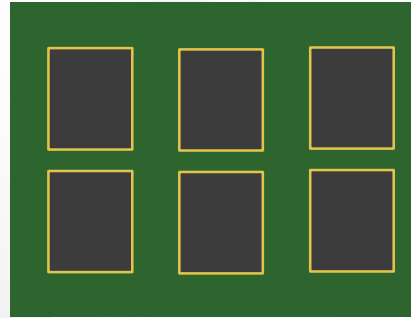
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1. Image signal processors: pre-processing and more
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# Vision System

## Basic elements



**Vision**

Image Acquisition

**Host**

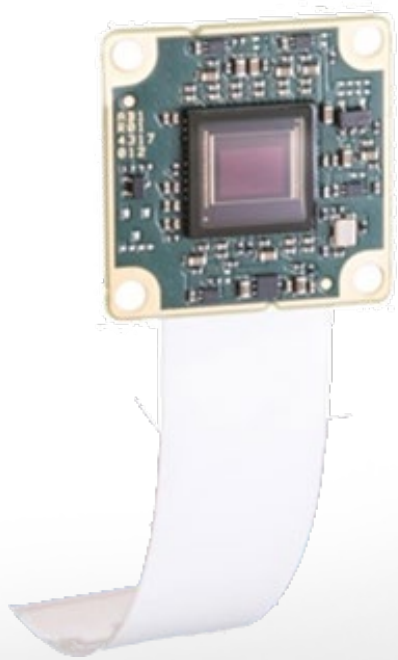
Processing

**Application**

Software

# Image signal processing

## Pre-processing



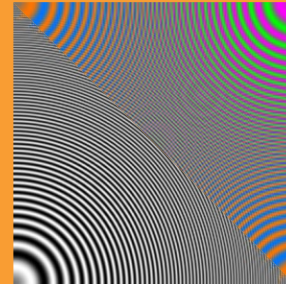
The image pre-processing is performed in an Image signal processor (ISP)

De-Bayering

(1 color per pixel  
→ 3 colors per pixel)



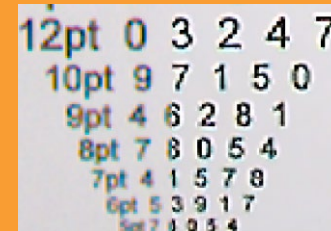
Interpolations  
and corrections  
of sensor errors



De-Noising



sharpening  
(image  
improvements)



# Image signal processing

Defect pixel correction	De-Bayering	Antialiasing	Demosaic
(auto) white balancing	Dynamic range correction	Gamma correction	Fixed pattern noise correction
Noise reduction	Lens correction	Sharpening	
Color space conversion	Pixel format conversion	Bit depth conversion	
Compression	Image stabilization	Water marking	

# Image signal processors

## Overview of technical implementations

FPGA

FPGA

ASIC

ASIC

SoC with ISP

SoC with ISP

- Flexible
- Lowest NRE
- Easy fixable

- High performance
- Application optimized
- Low cost

- High performance
- System optimized
- Lowest cost



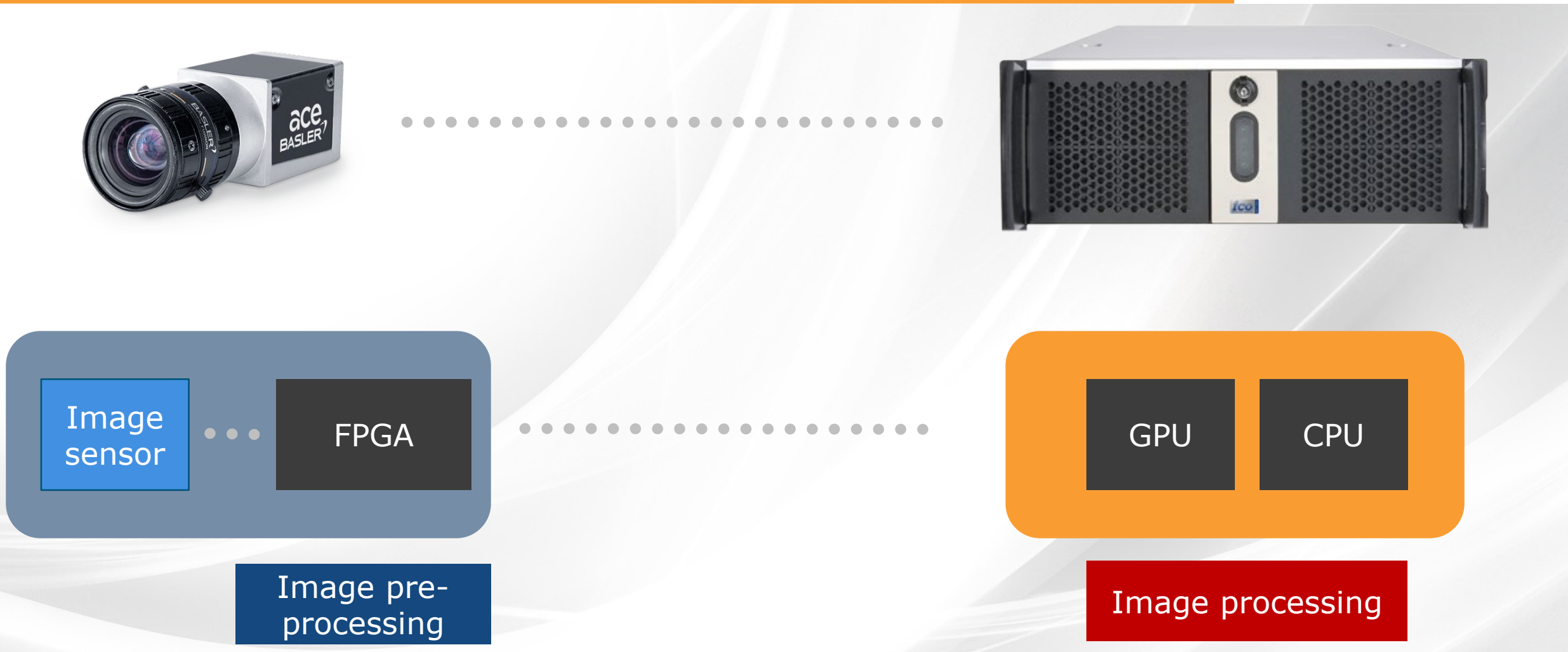
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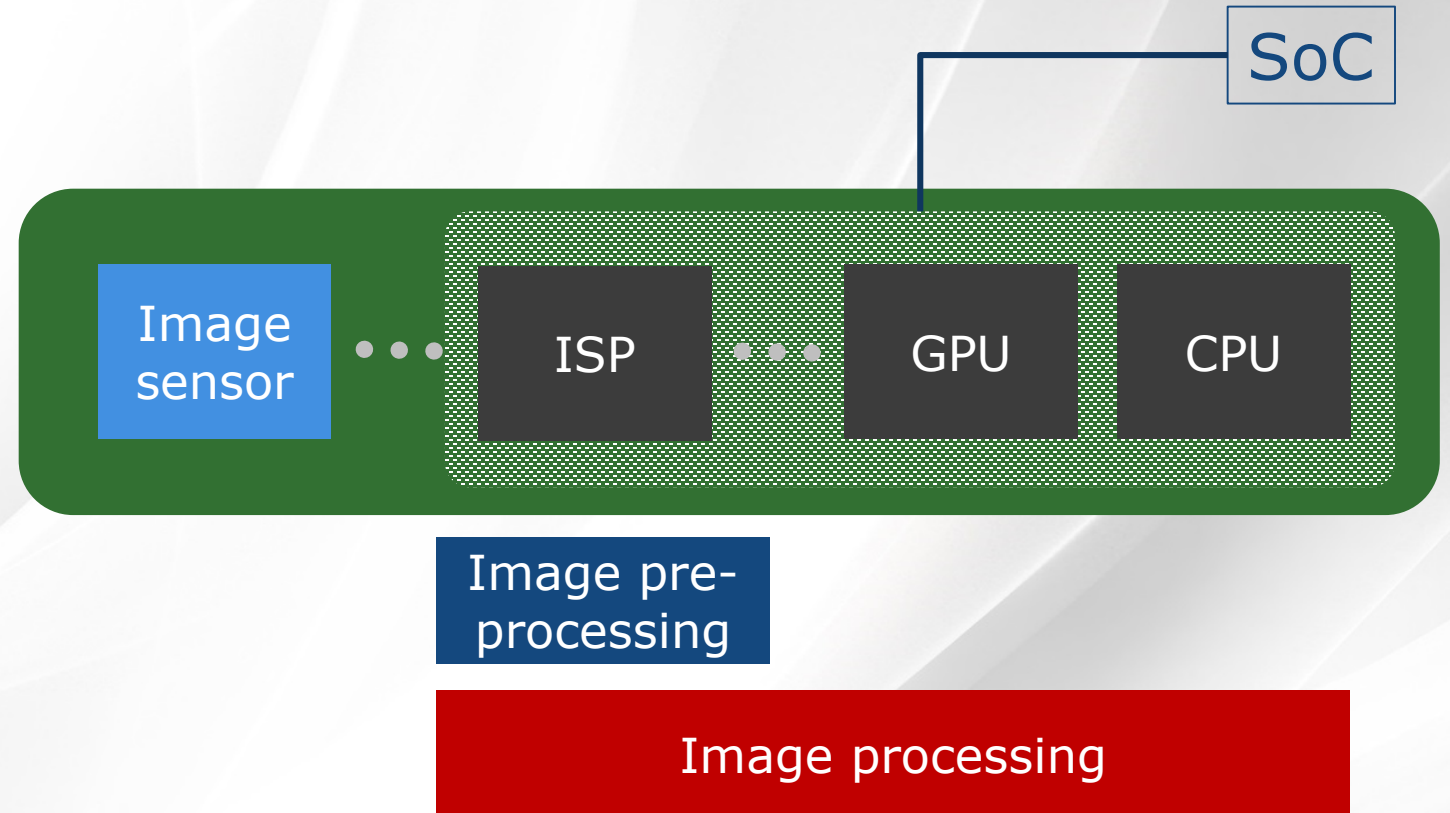


# Machine Vision setup



# Consumer Vision system setup

## Cell phone camera



# Consumer Vision system setup



# Requirements

Comparison professional / consumer products

Professional Vision Systems



Consumer vision systems



Metrologically  
precise

Nice images /  
an image at all

# Costs

## Comparison professional / consumer products

Professional Vision Systems



Consumer vision systems



System costs (BOM)

Development costs

# Characteristics

## Comparison professional / consumer products

Professional Vision Systems



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Flexibility

System  
optimization



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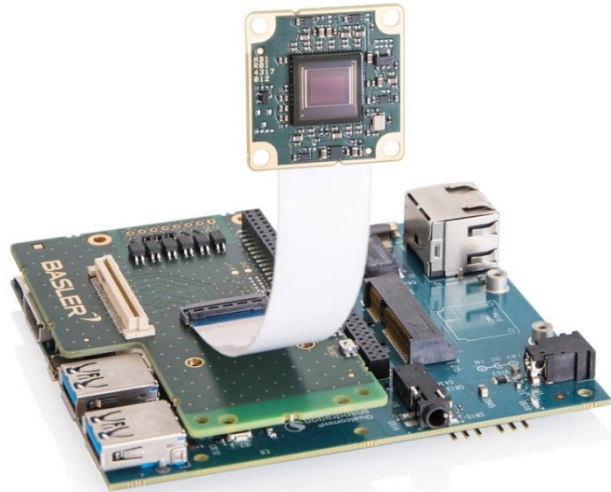
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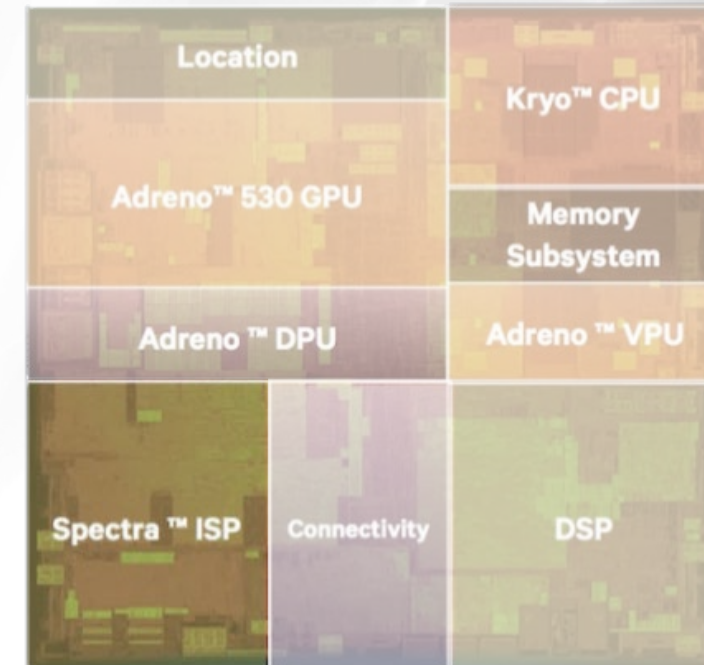
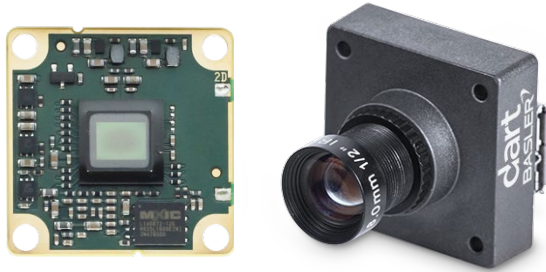
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Qualcomm Snapdragon 820



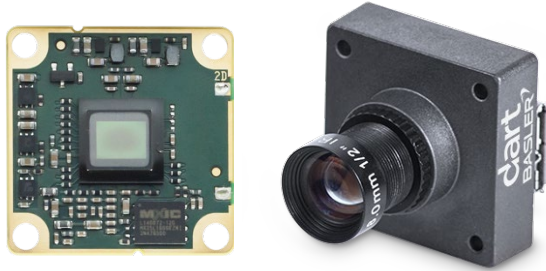
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- + system cost
- + system optimization
- flexibility

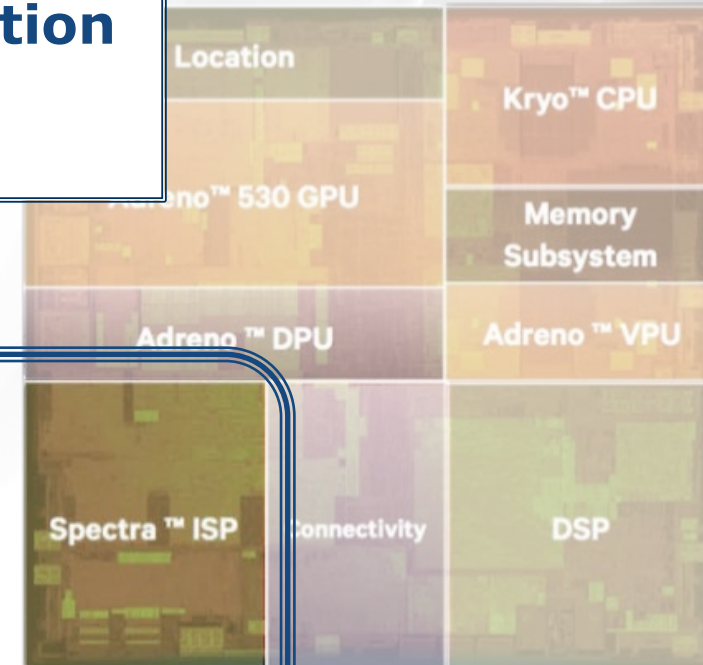
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Image  
sensor

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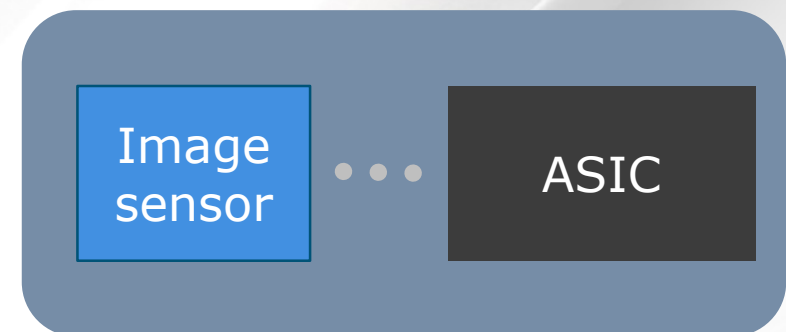
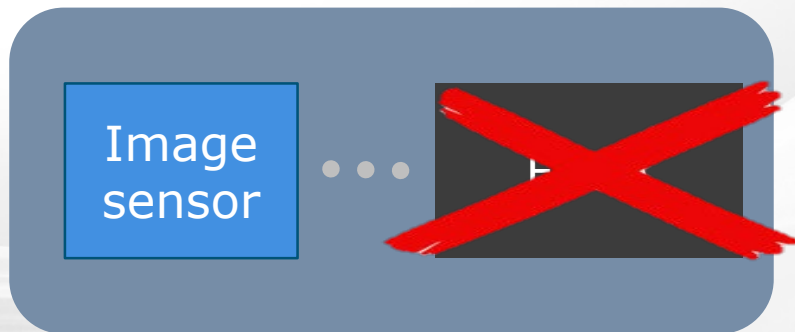
Image pre-  
processing



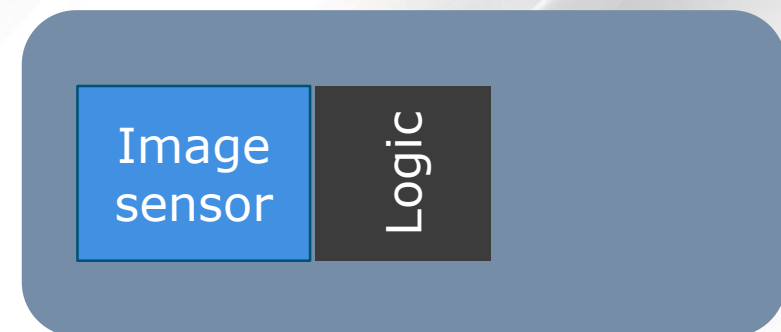
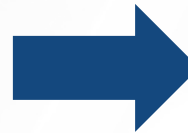
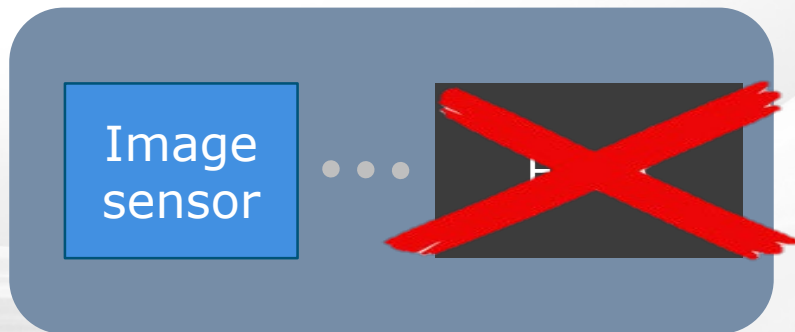
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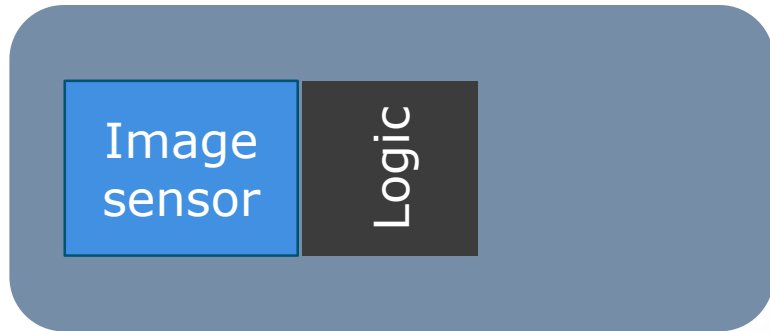
**+ system cost**  
**- flexibility**



# Utilizing in-image-sensor logic



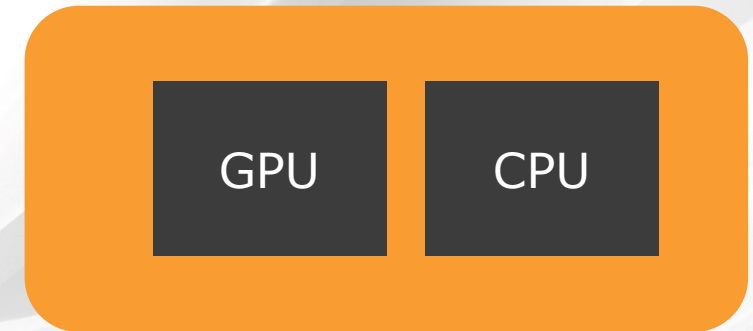
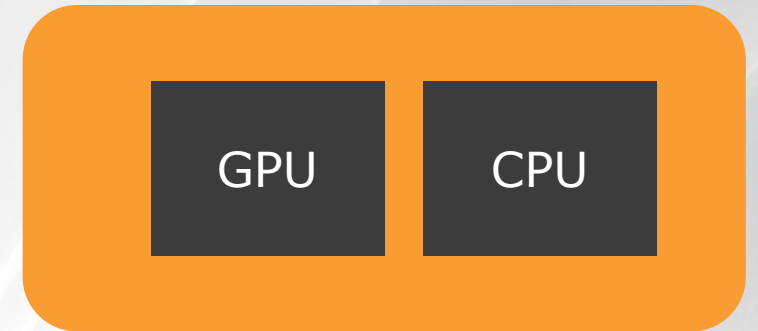
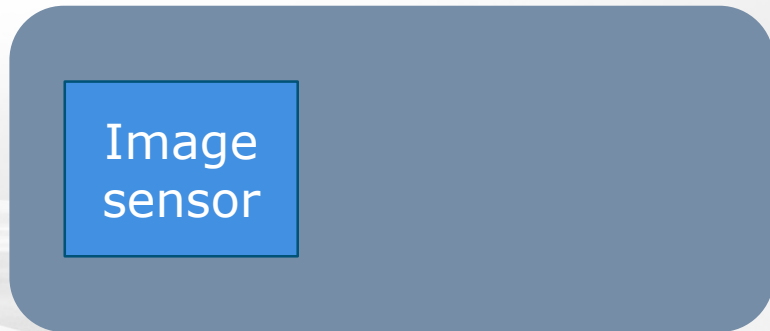
# Minimization of requirements



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# Summary & Outlook

The processing set-up and the utilized processors in a Computer Vision System can be very divers

When Machine Vision System use consumer products principles,

- system costs can be reduced
- set-up can be optimized
- for the price of decreased flexibility

The gap between Machine Vision and consumer products will be further closed as well as the number of different set-ups

# Further information

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## **Combining an ISP and Vision Processor to Implement Computer Vision**

Embedded Vision Academy

<https://www.embedded-vision.com/platinum-members/embedded-vision-alliance/embedded-vision-training/documents/pages/isp-plus-vision>

## **Was ist Bildverarbeitung?**

Basler Vision Campus

<https://www.baslerweb.com/de/vision-campus/kamera-technologie/was-ist-bildverarbeitung/>

## **The Image Signal Processor (ISP)**

Understanding Camera Optics & Smartphone Camera Trends, A Presentation by Brian Klug

<https://www.anandtech.com/show/6777/understanding-camera-optics-smartphone-camera-trends/4>

# Questions & Answers



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