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Development of ITS in Japan

— Focusing on DSRC —

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Key-points

■ New applications require a platform.

■ New applications offer a new platform.

■ A new platform promotes further applications.

Two platforms in Japan

- Car navigation systems and ETC offer platforms.

1. Car navigation system : H M I



2. ETC : DSRC



Car navigation system (1)

■ Digital road maps

- Route guidance
- Safety information
- Information on tourist attractions, local communities, and facilities

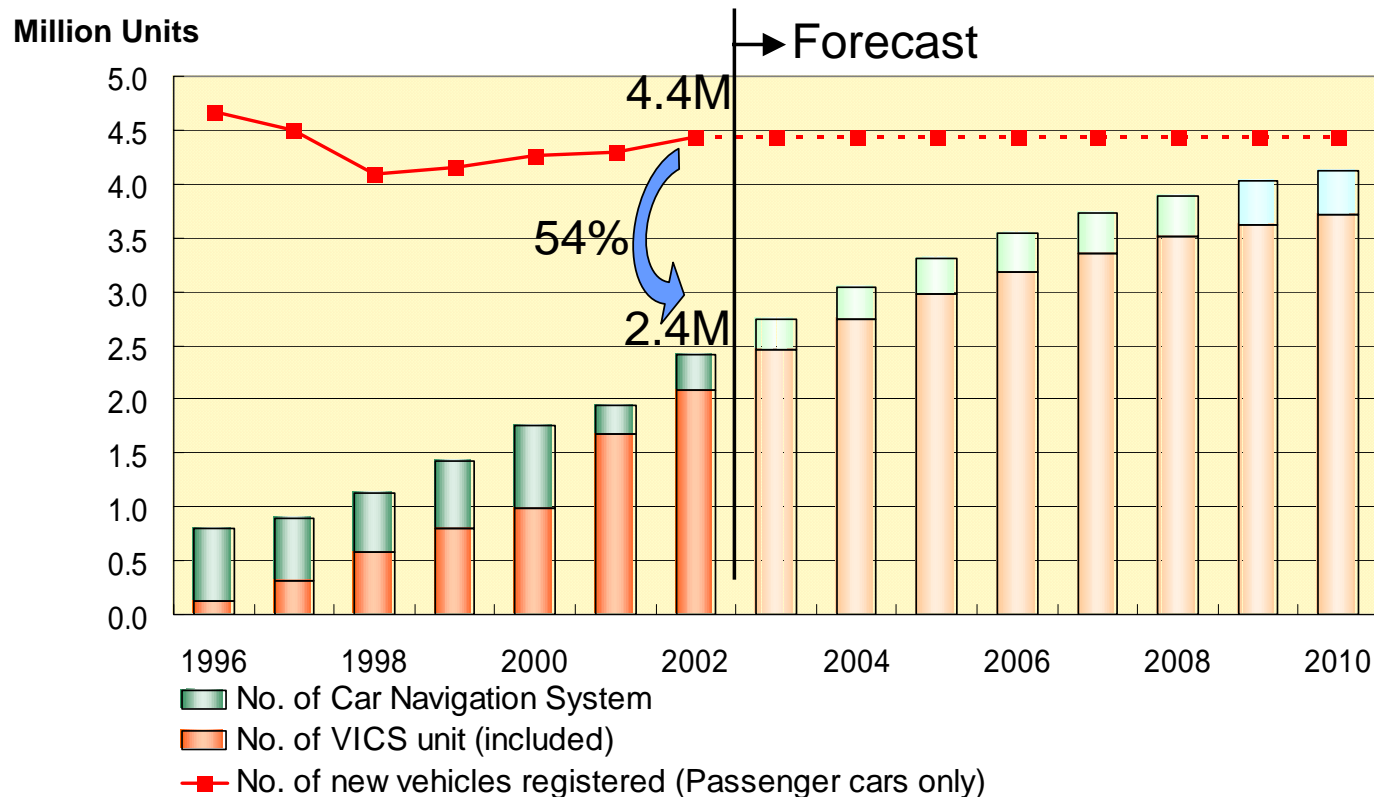
■ **VICS** (Vehicle Information and Communication System)

Real time information,

- Congestion, Road surface conditions
- Accidents, Obstacles, Road Works, Restrictions
- Parking lot vacancy

Car navigation system (2)

- Car navigation systems are becoming standard equipment for vehicles.



Car navigation system (3)

- The wide-spread use of car navigation systems has two meanings.

1. HMI as a platform in vehicles

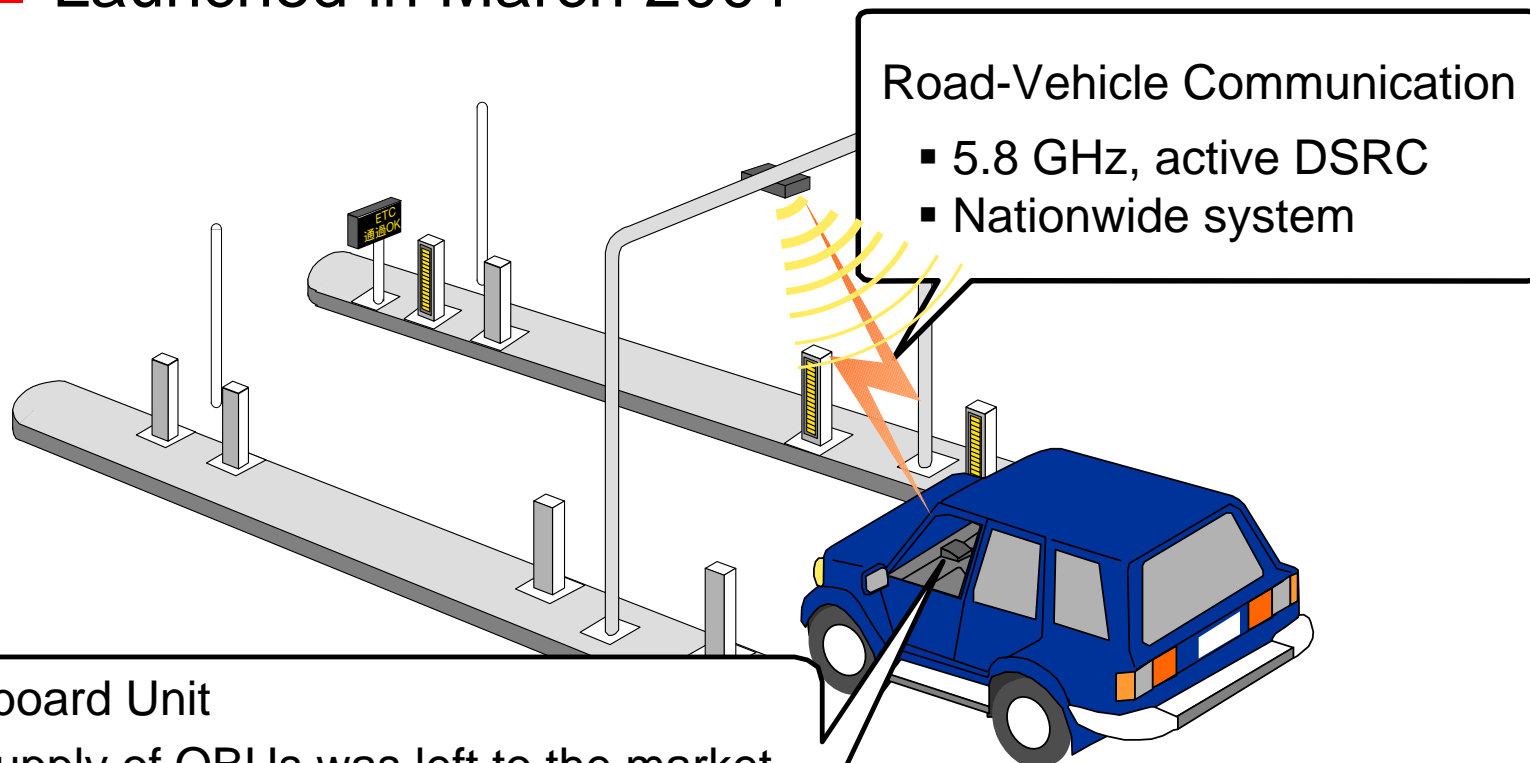


- Displays
- Speakers
- Microphones
- Input devices, etc.

2. Relationship between driver and system

ETC (1)

- Launched in March 2001



ETC (2)

- Variety of OBUs

- On dashboard



- Integrated with car navigation system



- Built-in



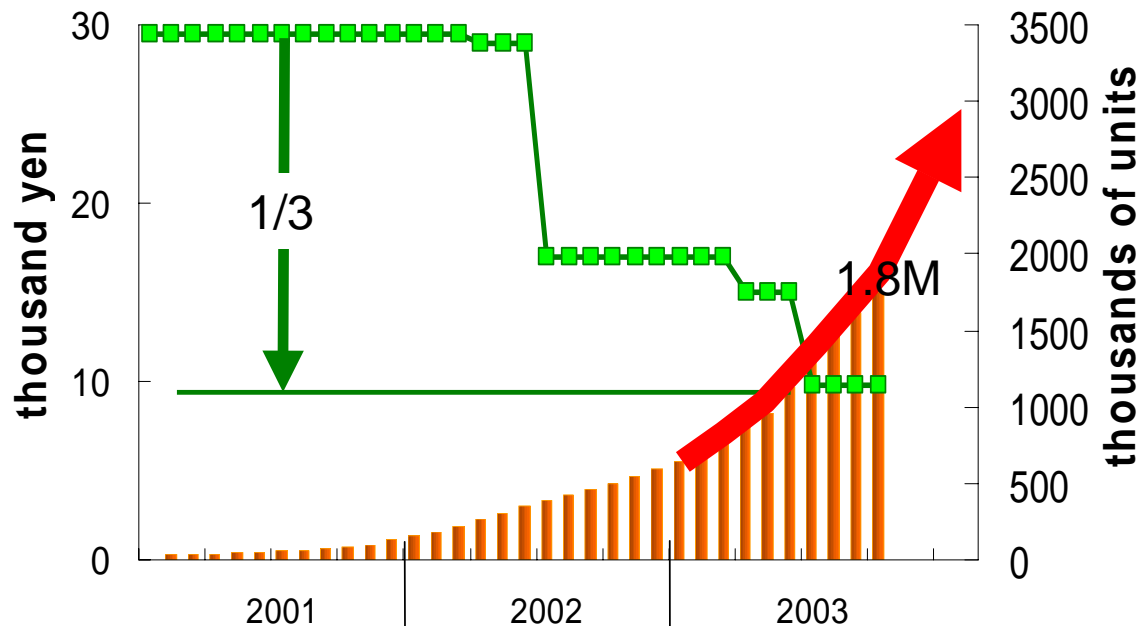
- Overhead



- Almost all of OBUs are compatible with car navigation systems.

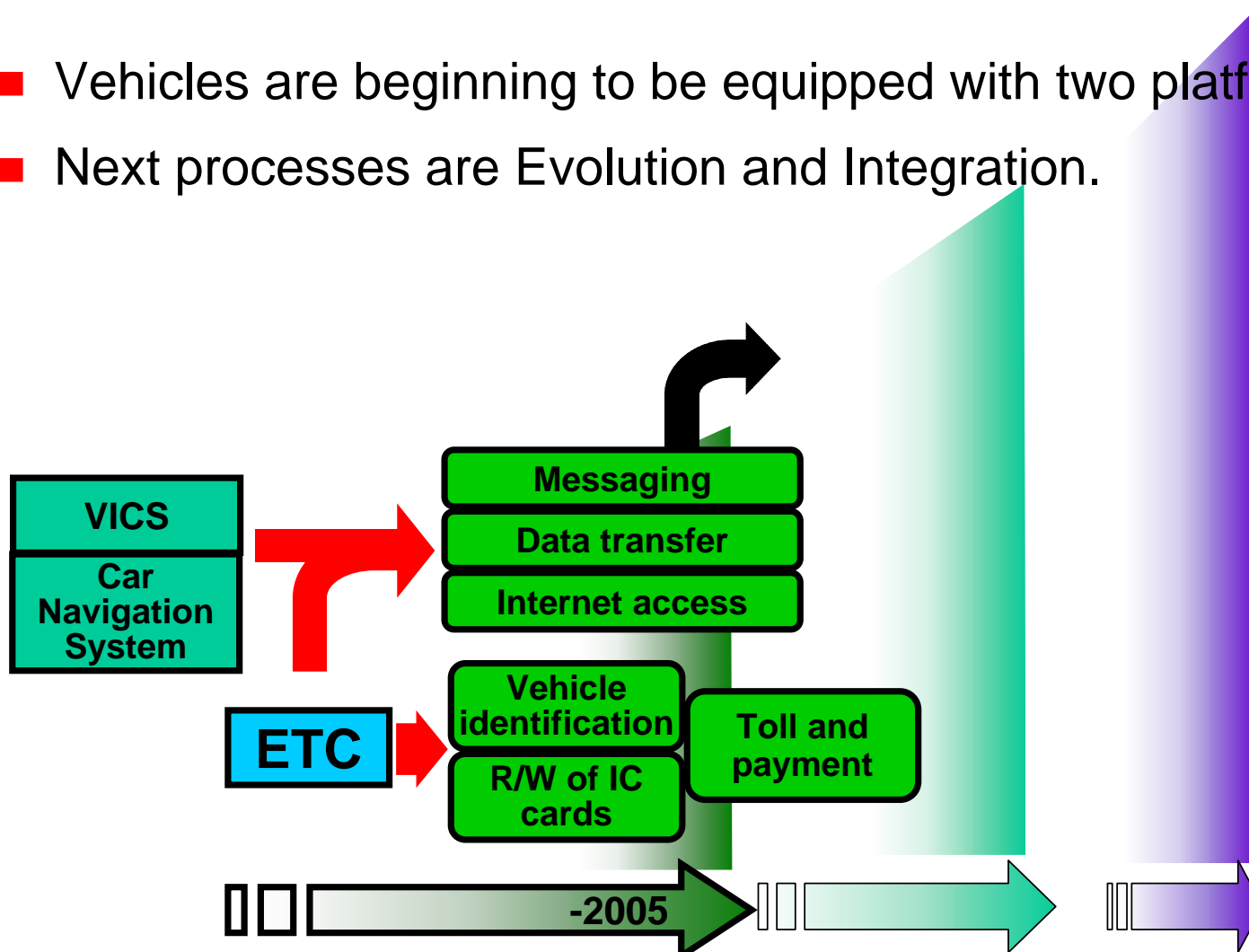
ETC (3)

- 1.8M units are installed in only 2.5 year.
- Price has dropped to 1/3.
- 10M units by 2007.
- DSRC is becoming a platform in vehicles.



Evolution and Integration(1)

- Vehicles are beginning to be equipped with two platforms.
- Next processes are Evolution and Integration.



Ongoing preparations(1)

- Vehicle identification to open a gate
- Deployed into a parking-lot in Nagoya (Jan. 2003)



Ongoing preparations(2)

- Payment (Using IC card)
- Messaging
- Data transfer (Images, Music)
- Demonstrated at gas station in Atsugi (Jan. 2003)



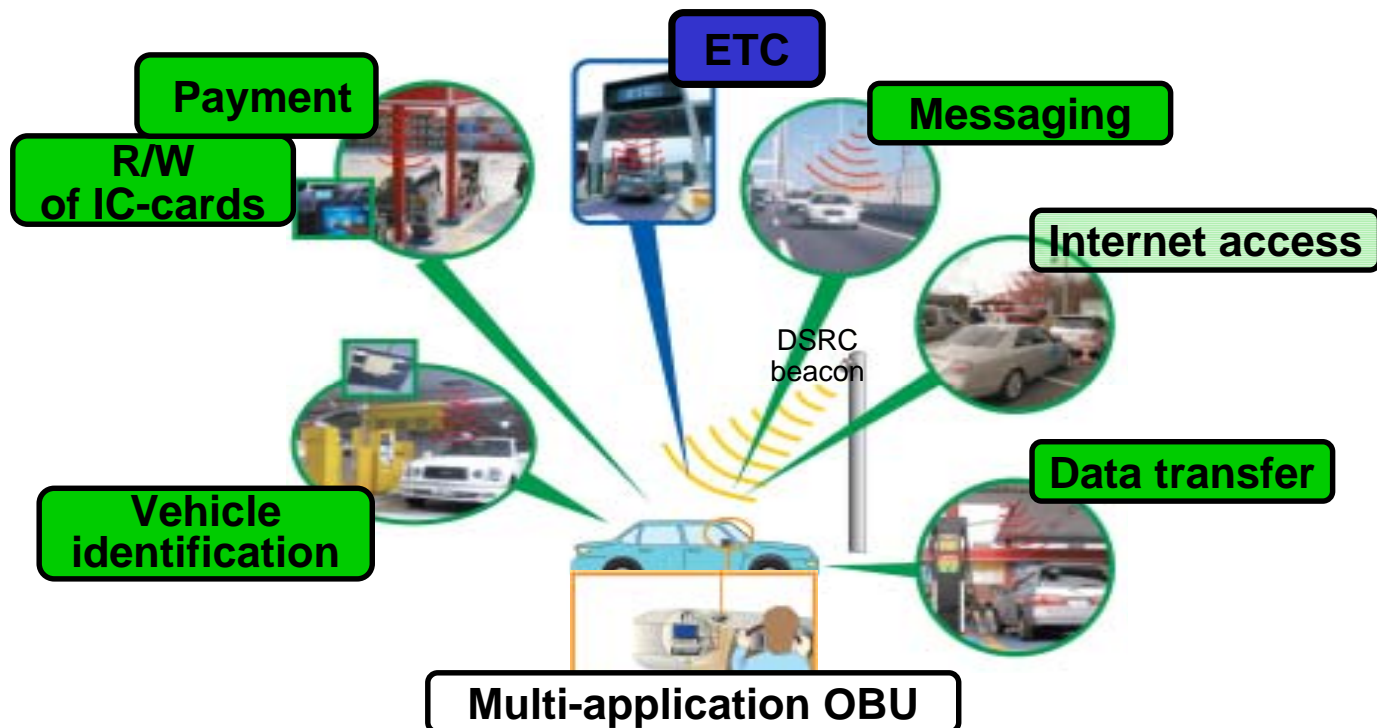
Ongoing preparations(3)

- Internet access services
 - Congestion, Road conditions, Tourist info.
- Proving tests at SA on the Expressway (Jan. 2003)



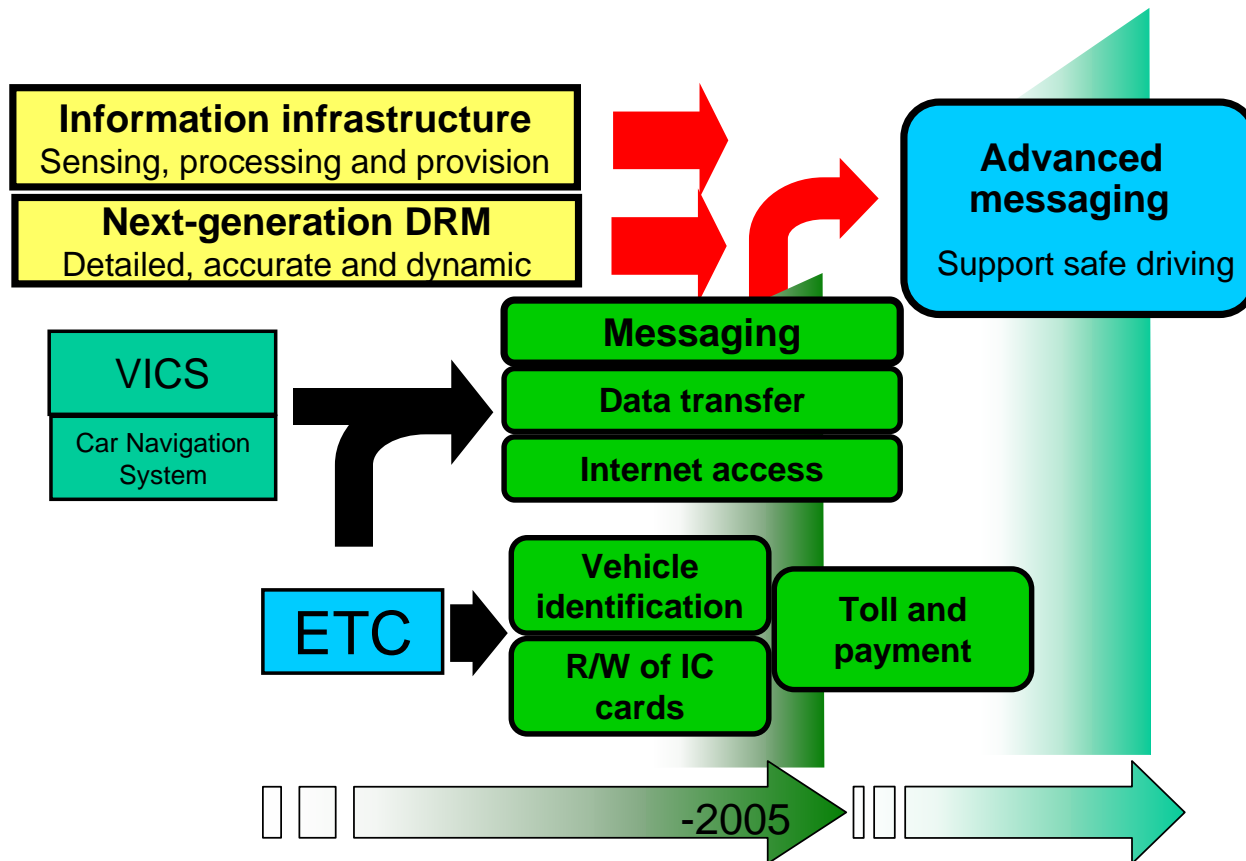
Multi-application OBU

- Services are to be provided on a common platform.
- The goal is to realize ITS services with a common, multi-application OBU.



Evolution and Integration(2)

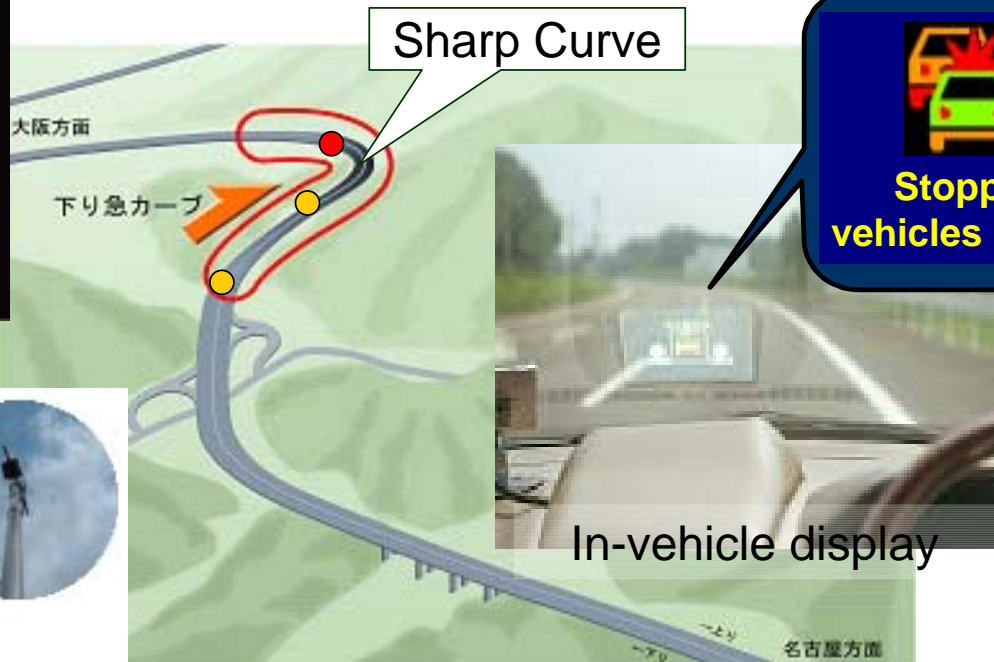
- Next-generation DRM and Information infrastructure will make message services advanced.



Ongoing preparations(4)

- Proving tests on actual roads in 2002-2003.
 - Prevention of collisions with obstacles ahead
 - Prevention of Overshooting Curves

Sensor



DSRC Antenna



Smart cars in Japan

- Smart cars with control functions are already on the market.

[Lane-keeping]

- In-vehicle - camera detects lane
- Assist the appropriate amount of steering
- Maintain the vehicle in the lane

[Pre-crash safety]

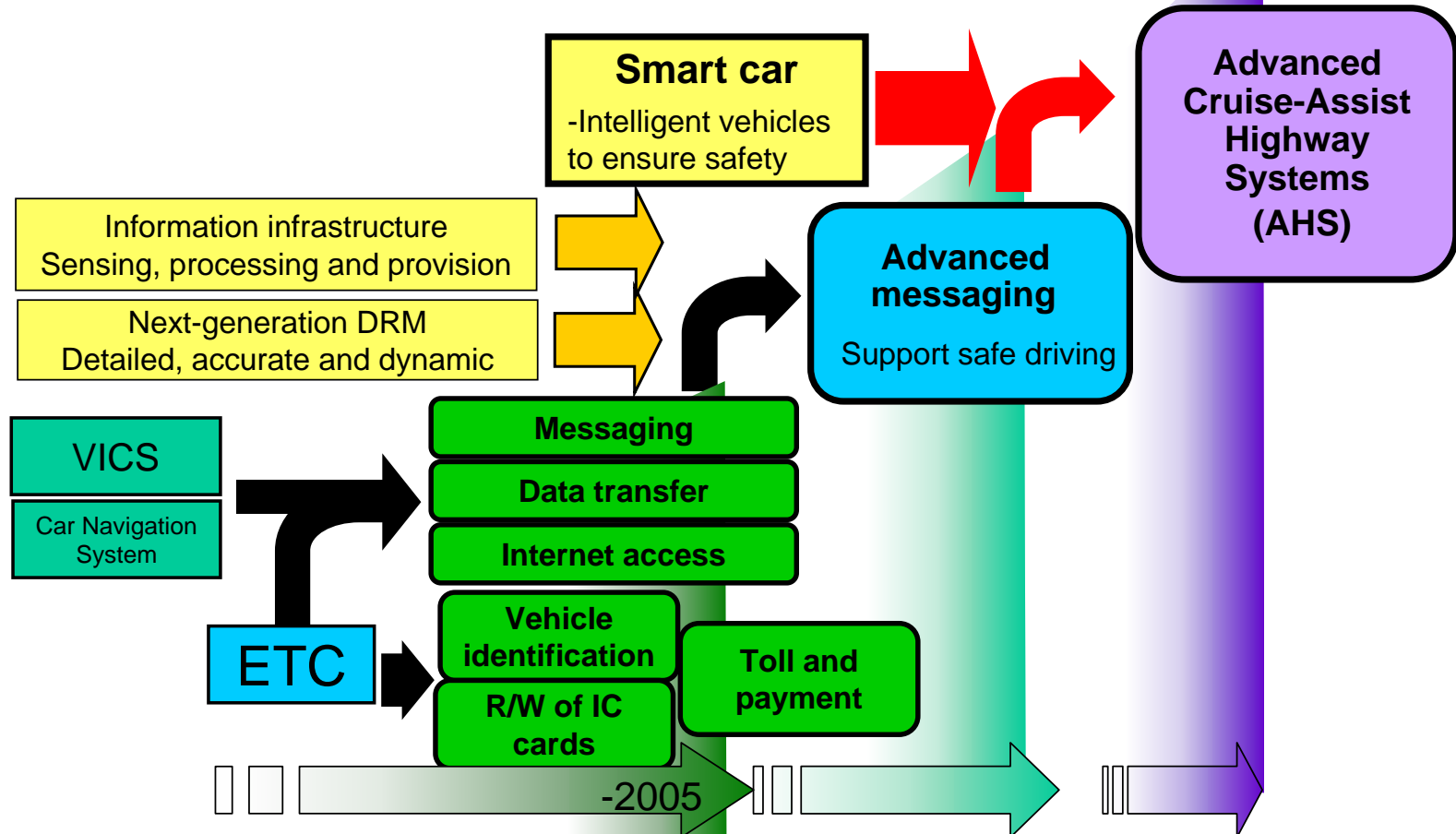
- Millimeter-wave radar detects vehicles and obstacles ahead
- Assist brake lowering the collision speed

[Advanced cruise control]

- Millimeter-wave radar detects vehicles ahead
- Control the throttle and brake

Evolution and Integration(3)

- Smart cars and advanced message services lead to road-vehicle cooperation systems.



Conclusion

