

Next Generation Lidar for Automotive - *As the Pace of Innovation and Product Options Accelerate*

A Global Prior Art Study
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Scanning Mirrors

Wavelengths

Flash

Optics

MEMES Scanners

Hardware

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Each technology will support the R&D / IP/ Strategy Professional as well as the C-Suite and Financial Investors to understand who and what is driving each technology.

Be informed, make decisions



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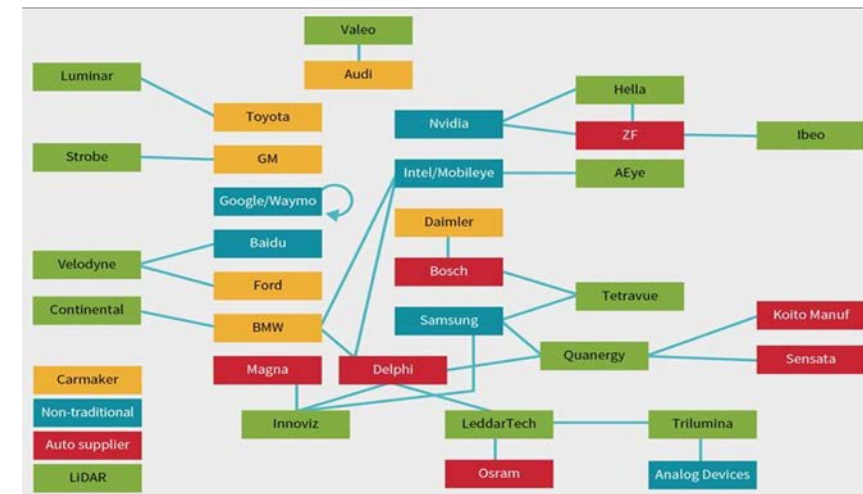
Next Generation Lidar for Automotive

Ever changing technology landscape

- 5,000+ organisations with lidar patents
- 8,500+ patents pending , 28% CAGR in the number of patents over the last 5 years
- Complete set of players from OEMs - Large Tech - Pure Play - Service companies ‘
- New entrants still entering the market
Over 300 companies have entered the space for the first time in the last 4 year
- Critical technology to underpin the autonomous vehicles investment theme
- DTechEx Research forecasts the global market for lidar in autonomous vehicles growing to \$5.4 billion by 2030



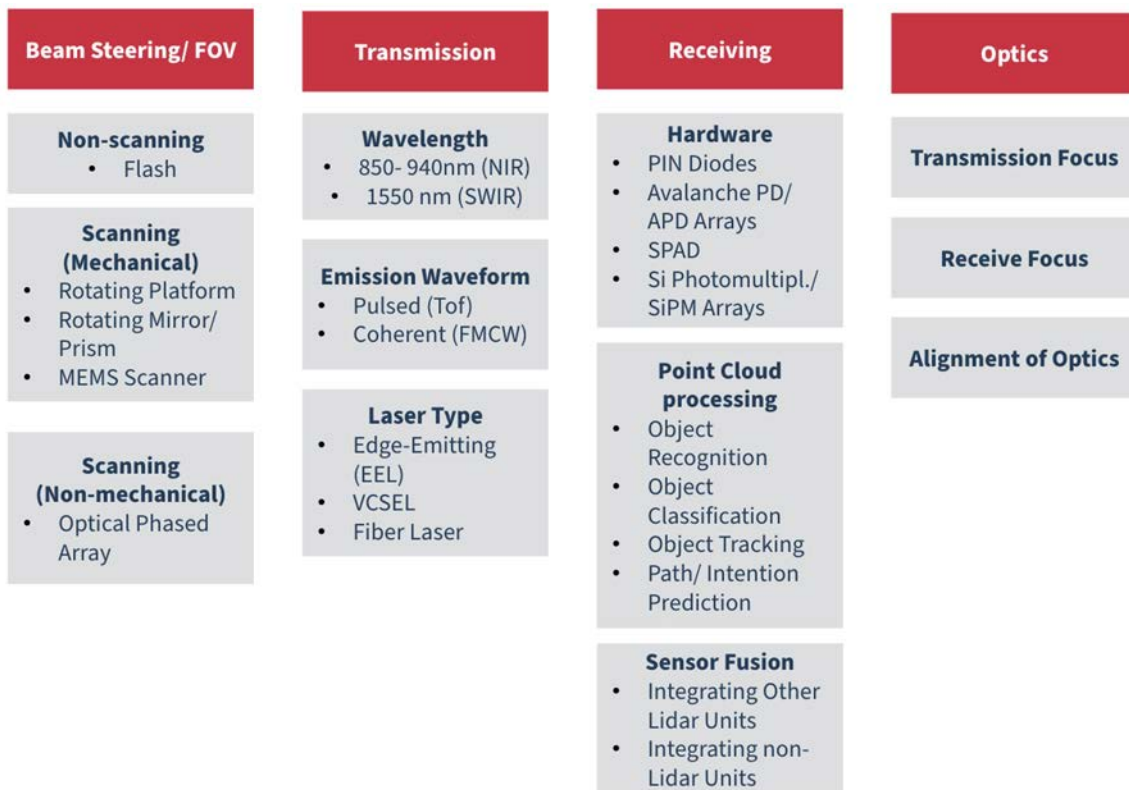
Crowded, diverse & growing ecosystem of players



Key takeaway

Critical space, continually moving and changing, hard to monitor and track

Technology Landscape - broken down & analysed



01 Who is doing what in the Lidar space?

02 What are the winning / waning technologies across the landscape?

03 What are the disruptive technologies to watch for?

04 What other red flags should we be monitoring?

05 Who should we be partnering with? Who is partnering with whom?

06 Are we partnering with vendors having the most competitive new technology plus strong patents?

07 What are the most recent developments in the technology?

08 What is China's approach to the technology? Implication for the global market?

1. Beam Steering

Beam Steering/ FOV

Non-scanning

- Flash

Scanning (Mechanical)

- Rotating Platform
- Rotating Mirror/ Prism
- MEMS Scanner

Scanning (Non-mechanical)

- Optical Phased Array

2. Sensor Fusion

Sensor Fusion

- Integrating other lidar units
- Integrating non-lidar units

Strategic direction and product insight

09 Who are the new emerging players and in which areas of the technology? And what makes them different?

10 Trend spotting: With technology changing rapidly and many new players are emerging and what trends or developments are we missing?

11 Which key emerging technologies can accelerate our product development efforts?

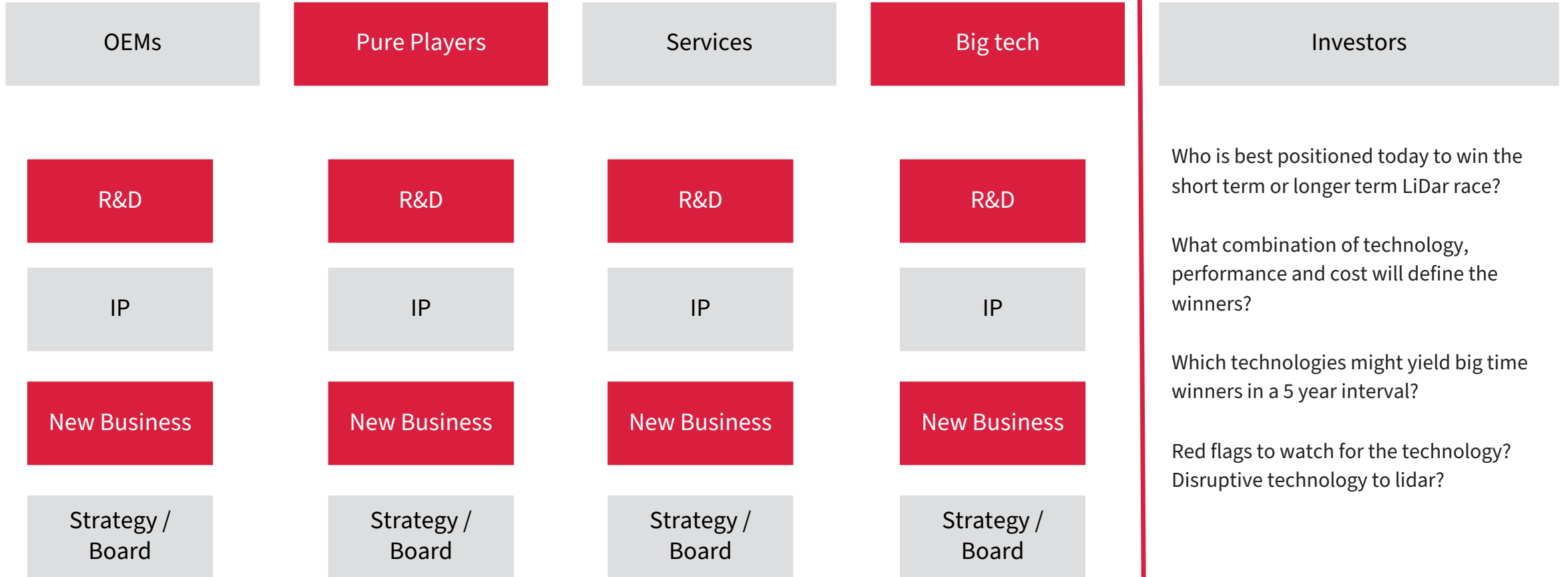
12 How will newer technologies impact vehicle design and elevate vehicle safety as a key differentiator

13 Which newer LiDAR technologies can enhance vehicle & pedestrian safety in fog, snow, or rain?

14 What is the technology and IP roadmap being pursued by competitors in Europe, Korea, Japan and China?

15 Analysis of Products being developed. Future outlook for Lidar offerings (lower cost, superior performance in rain and fog, merging of players, etc.)

Everyone is asking questions



What's in the study

- *Automotive Lidar for autonomous driving and ADAS and application agnostic Lidar references that could include Autonomous applications*
- *Not including non automotive applications e.g. airborne or stationary lidar systems)*

Approach

Proposal 1: Top Down

- *Identification of higher level challenges and trending topics*
- *Review of patent space tackling these challenges*

Proposal 2: Bottom Up

- *Identification of key technologies in hierarchy*
- *Review of relevant patent space for ownership and trends in technology across taxonomy*



Key Findings to date

We have analysed the following technology areas:

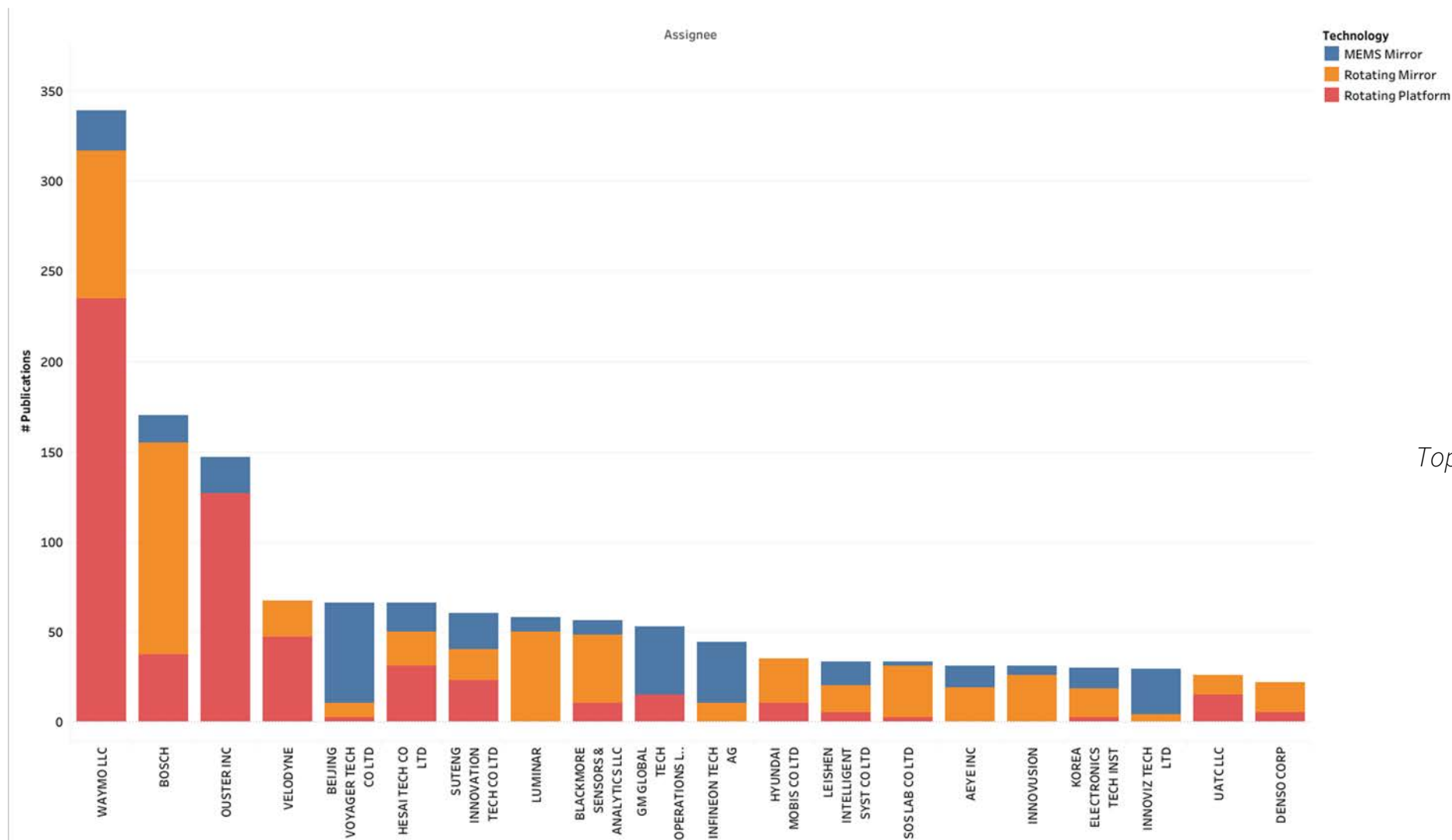
- **Rotating Platform**
- **Rotating Mirror**
- **MEMS Mirror**

We are still analysing the following:

- **Flash Lidar**
- **Optical Phased Array**



Who owns innovation across these technology areas?



Top 20 owners patents

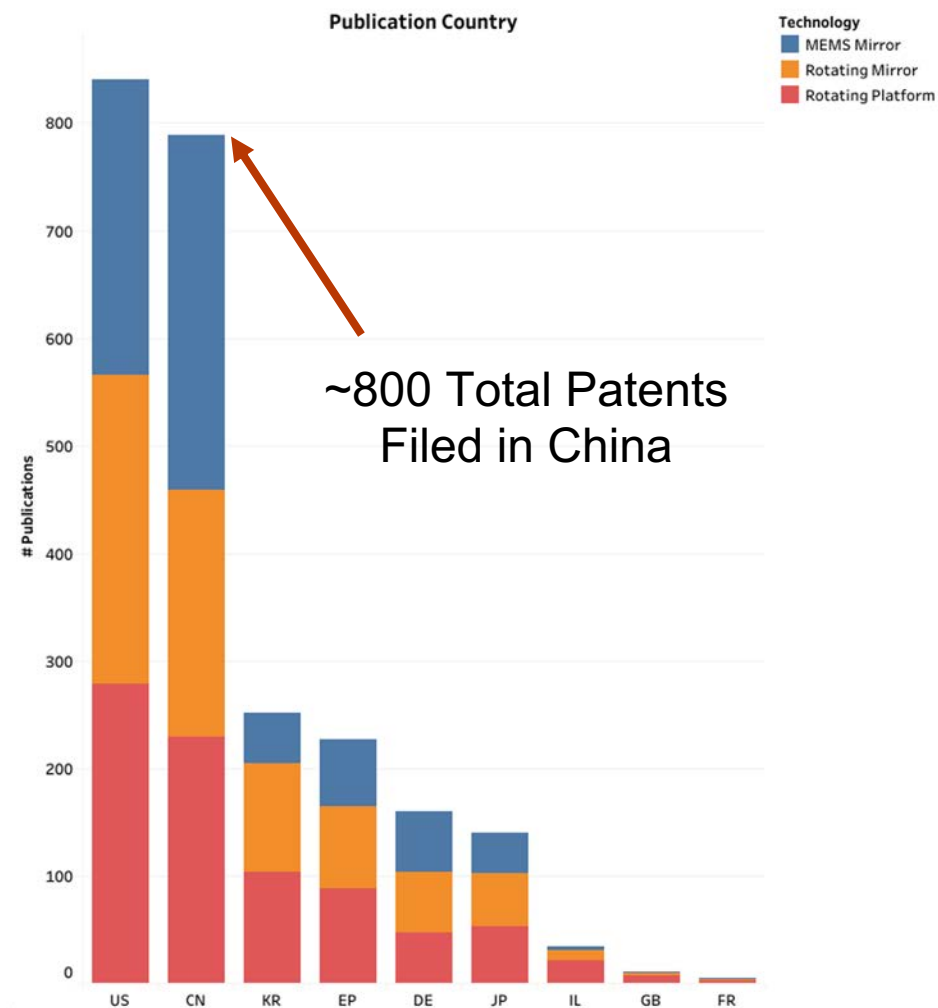
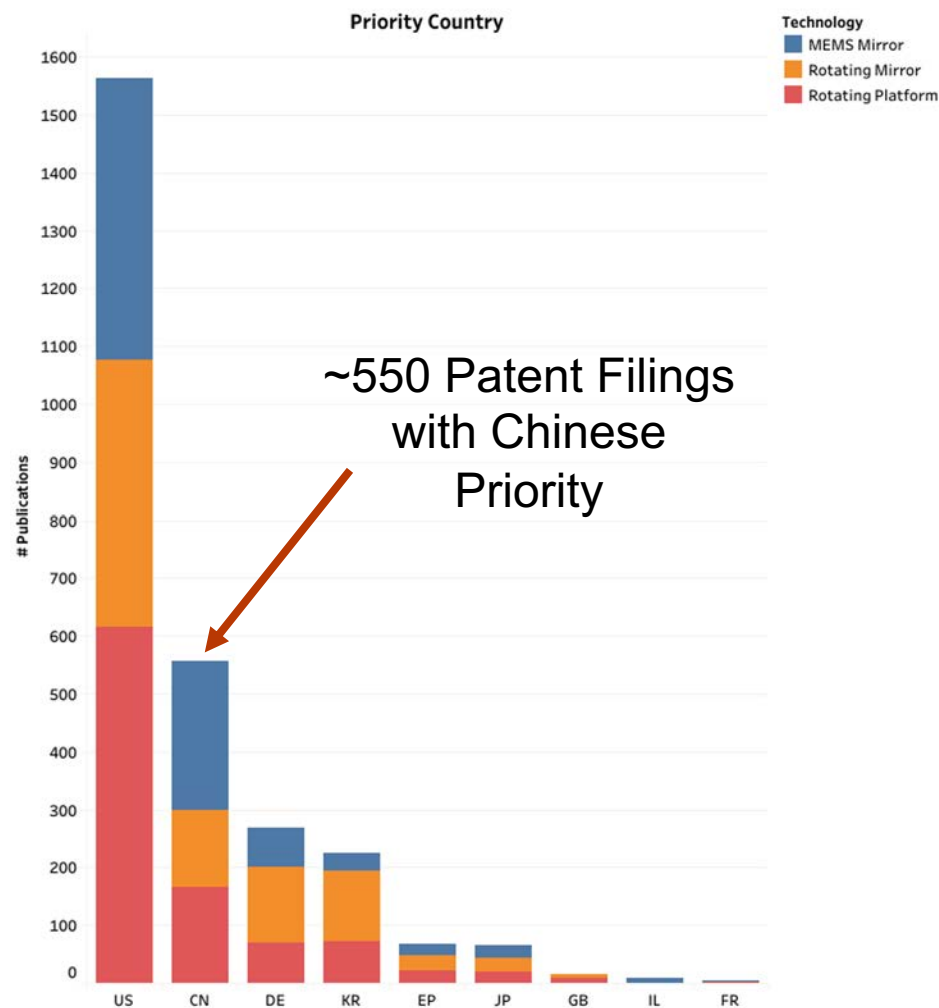
But are the top 5 innovators slowing down?



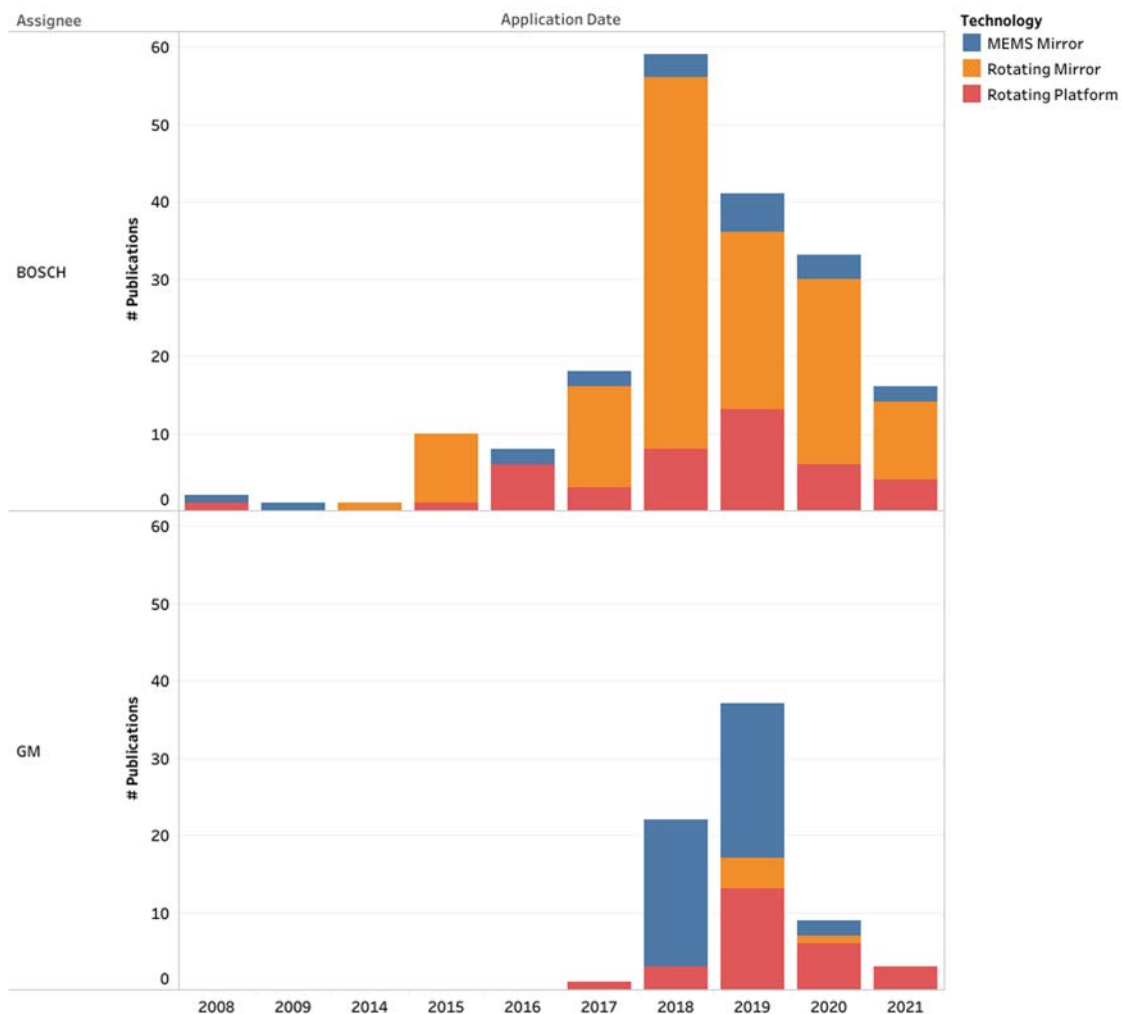
Timeline of Filings for Top 5 patent filers

Geographically where are the innovations being filed?

Significant Domestic and Foreign Patent Filings in China

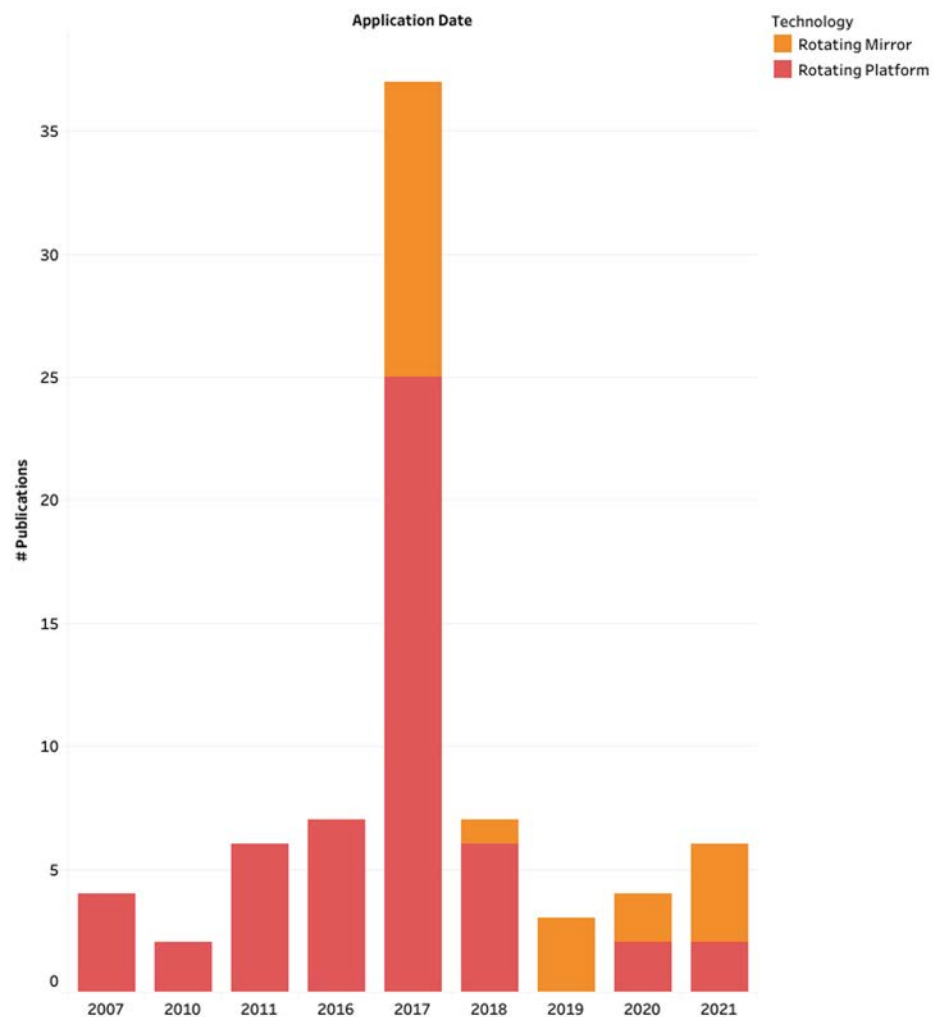


How are Bosch and GM innovating?



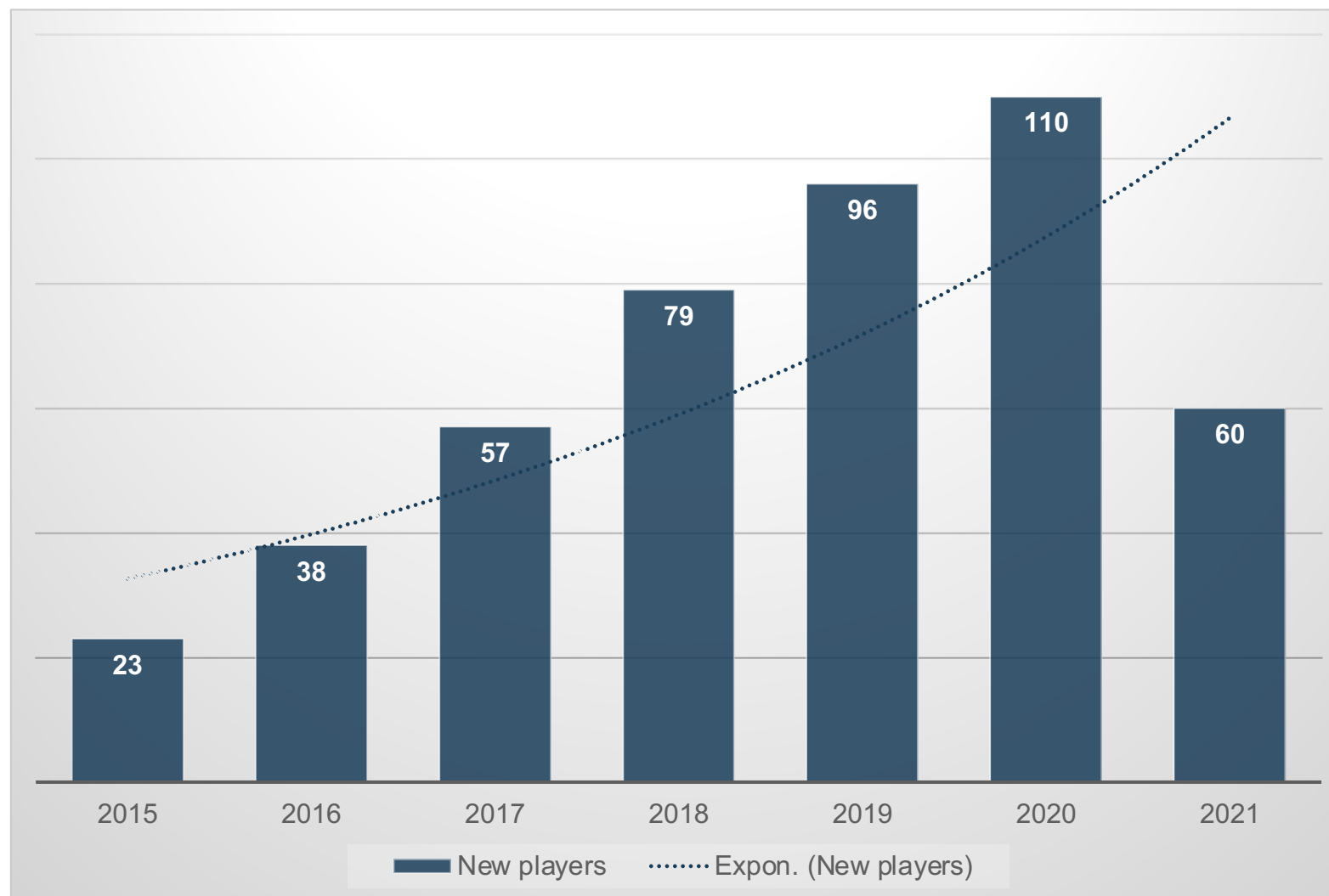
High cost of manufacturing^[2] likely driving the recent increase of filings by automakers on *MEMS Mirror* designs

Where is Velodyne innovating?



- Began with *Rotating Platform* in 2007
- Shift towards *Rotating Mirror* in 2017

New players – over 300 new entrants in 4 years



Study deliverables

- *Key findings for trends, players and products*
- *Access to underlying data to answer further questions via Ciper*
- *Interim results presentation and full study completion presentation*
- *Access to analysts to ask further questions*
- *Deliverable completed in 4 months from commencement*
- *Updated on a quarterly basis for 12 months*



What GPA/Cipher can bring



Independence

An independent view with no investment bias



Expertise

World class expertise in the technology area



Classification

Unique classification of patent data



Previous Experience

Building on previous studies on Lidar



Functionality

Quality reporting & tools to include analytics & visualisations



Automation

Enable efficiency, accuracy & scalability

What the study aims to cover

Key trends in Lidar - technologies, players, regions, Lidar radar

Key players and emerging players

Analysis of products being developed

Future outlook for Lidar offerings (bringing costs down, merging of players etc)

