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1 Release Notes

Welcome to the release notes of VI-Driver 20.1. The chapter contains information regarding new features, known issues and revision history.

Please send your comments or support requests to support@vi-grade.com.

1.1 What's New

This VI-Driver release has the following new or enhanced modeling and simulation capabilities

New Adams Car Interface features

- Support for Adams 2020

Please refer to the [revision history](#) table for a summary of the addressed issues.

1.2 Licenses

VI-Driver 20.1 requires following set of license keys:

- VI_Driver_Basic_Core
- VI_Driver_EventBuilder

The Human Driver extension requires the key:

- VI_Driver_Human

The Matlab interface require the key:

- VI_Driver_Matlab

The FMI interfaces require the key:

- VI_Driver_FMI

Please make sure that you are running VI-grade Licensing version 20.0 or newer (based on LMX server version 4.9.20 or newer).

Please look at VI-Licensing.pdf document for a detailed description of VI-grade's licensing system and how to setup a license server.

This product is partly based on incorporated software libraries. Please refer to the [acknowledgments.pdf](#) document, included in the product documentation for a listing of the adopted components and the respective licenses.

1.3 Known Issues

The following limitations have been identified at release time:

- When the human driver is active with `MODEL='STANDARD'`, there could be some steering instability problems for high speed maneuvers. The problem can be reduced, or avoided, increasing the Preview Time value.

1.4 Changed Behaviour

Thanks to some correction applied to reference engine torque input in standstill conditions, VI-Driver will produce smoother throttle and brake signals when vehicle is idling.

1.5 Platform Support

VI-Driver 20.1 is available for the following:

3rd Party Tool	Platform	Installer Name
Adams 2020	windows x64	VI_Driver_2020_20_1_x64_Setup.exe
Adams 2019	windows x64	VI_Driver_2019_20_1_x64_Setup.exe
Adams 2018	windows x64	VI_Driver_2018_20_1_x64_Setup.exe
Matlab/Simulink	windows x64	VI_Driver_matlab_20_1_x64_Setup.exe
dSPACE® DS1006 release 2018b	DS1006	VI_Driver_matlab_DS1006_20_1_r14b_Setup.exe
FMI 1.0/2.0	windows x64	VI_Driver_fmi_20_1_x64_Setup.exe

1.6 3rd Party Compatibility

This table shows the compatibility of the VI-grade suite products with the main 3rd party software.

	VI-CarRealTime	VI-BikeRealTime	VI-DriveSim	VI-Driver/VI-Rider for Matlab	VI-Driver for FMI
Matlab®	from 2015b to 2019b	from 2015b to 2019b	from 2015b to 2019b*	from 2015b to 2019b	
SimWorkBench®	2018.3 2020.1	2018.3 2020.1	2018.3 2020.1		
Veristand™ (***)	2015sp1	2015sp1			
dSPACE® RCP & HIL (**)	2018b 2019a 2019b	2018b		2018b	
ETAS LABCAR-OPERATOR IP®	5.4.8				
SCANeR®	1.8r33, 1.9r22		1.8r33, 1.9r22		
Prescan®	7.3				
Virtual Test Drive®	1.4				
SolidThinking Activate	2017.1				
Dymola®	2015				2015
CarSim™	2017.1				
CarMaker™	9.0				
TameTire	6.1		6.1		
CDTire	4.2.8		4.2.8		
RIDESuite	1.9/2.1		1.9/2.1		
FTire	2020.2		2020.2		

(*): please refer to SimulationWorkBench documentation for Matlab version compatible with MLToolkit module.

(**): the following combinations of dSPACE toolchain and SCALEXIO firmware are supported: 2018b with firmware 4.3.1, 2019a with firmware 4.4.1p3, 2019b with firmware 4.5.2.

3rd Party Software included in VI-grade products:

	VI-CarRealTime	VI-BikeRealTime	VI-DriveSim	VI-Driver/VI-Rider for Matlab	VI-Driver for FMI
MF-Tyre/MF-Swift	6.2.0.3 2020.1	6.2.0.3 2020.1	6.2.0.3 2020.1		

The following table shows the 3rd party compatibility for Adams-based VI-grade product:

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	VI-Motorcycle	VI-Automotive	VI-Rail	VI-Aircraft	VI-CarRealTime Plug-In	VI-Driver
MSC Adams™	2020.0	2020.0	2019.2	2020.0	2018.0, 2019.0, 2020.0	2018.0, 2019.0, 2020.0
Matlab®	*	*	*	*		

(*): please refer to Adams documentation for compatibility version.

(***) The NI-PXI integration requires Visual C++ 2010 / SDK 7.1 to complete the building procedure successfully. Please refer to the NI-VeriStand documentation for more detail.

The VI-Licensing LMX supported version is **4.9.20** both for Server and for Client.

1.7 Revision History

1.7.1 Release 20.0

Added Capabilities:

Change ID	Module	Description
18481	Driver	Enhance VI-Driver and VI-Road compatibility with MB-SHARC

Bugs Corrected:

Change ID	Module	Description
16029	Driver	Combo box list not fully visible

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Added Capabilities:

Change ID	Module	Description
10699	Driver	Support Adams 2019.0

Bugs Corrected:

Change ID	Module	Description
13047	Driver	Simulation not interrupted by end of path event
11528	Driver	Adams controls simulation with vidriver failure
10398	Driver	Adams crash submitting VDF
3886	Driver	File -> Import Event menu in VI-EventBuilder doesn't work

1.7.3 Release 19.0

Added Capabilities:

Change ID	Module	Description
5810	Driver	Add Steering Angle Velocity END Condition in VDF
3901	Driver	Apply new dedicated license key to Matlab interface
3900	Driver	Apply new dedicated license key to FMI interface
3444	Driver	Wrong Target Engine Torque when vehicle stops
756	Driver	Path distance as end condition

Bugs Corrected:

Change ID	Module	Description
7399	Driver	Update VDF option chooses wrong shift gear RPM for GSE-based powertrain
5754	Driver	Gear Mapped Module inhibit clutch idle control
4787	Driver	Filling '.testrig.vidriver_tires_array' not waterproof
4786	Driver	End condition NEXT_MANEUVER_NAME not saved from EventBuilder
4232	Driver	Smoother Time neglected on maneuver transition
3886	Driver	File -> Import Event menu in VI-EventBuilder doesn't work
3544	Driver	End of path check fails with multimanuever

1.7.4 Release 18.0

Version	Change ID	Module	Change
18.0	FDB-5235	Adams	Simulation failure with CarAt + F77 solver + SI2 integrator
	FDB-5086		Memory leak from core classes
	FDB-5031		throttle control flag cannot be activated when throttle is open loop
	FDB-4514		Improve Human driver efficiency to fulfill realtime requirements
	FDB-4074		Add parameters to VI-Driver to control delay between consecutive gearshifting

1.7.5 Release 17.0

Version	Change ID	Module	Change
17.0	FDB-4900		No error msg produced with incorrect event
	FDB-4656		No maneuver information in error message reported by VI-Driver
	FDB-4619		SDF converter does not work when angles are expressed in degrees
	FDB-4615	FMI	Installer does not properly configure license environment variable
	FDB-4603	Adams	LONSLIP controller supports only 1 axle
	FDB-4543	Matlab	Start script for matlab (start.m) wrongly hard-codes win32 platforms
	FDB-4540	Matlab	Matlab crash specifying a non existing vdf file

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	FDB-4096	Matlab	Input signal sample time should match VI-Driver sample time
	FDB-4078		Simulation failure switching from openloop steering to machine with CONNECT_PATH option
	FDB-4053		EDS module does not support target speed map function of time
	FDB-4434	Adams	'vidriver_vehicle_params_array' ignores a Flex Chassis
	FDB-4405		Wrong engine pwr map default in VI-EventBuilder
	FDB-4388		VI-EventBuilder: missing parameters in [VEHICLE_PARAMETER]
	FDB-4363		VI-EventBuilder does not support NEXT_MANEUVER name
	FDB-4332		SetStartup api does not update output
	FDB-4286		Signal auto_scale and auto_saturate attributes are wrongly managed
	FDB-4204		VI-EventBuilder numerical path block miss some columns
	FDB-4151		Support skidpad exit section
	FDB-4106		VI-EventBuilder doesn't start from matlab interface
	FDB-4105	Matlab	Additional outputs from Matlab interface
	FDB-4103	Matlab	Add generic channels for end conditions
	FDB-4101	Matlab	Update vidriver_sample using end_condition channels and user channels
	FDB-4100	Matlab	VI-EventBuilder startup file not removed from working directory
	FDB-4097		Add an option to stop simulation when a maneuver hits abort time
	FDB-4094		Missing standard end condition names in EventBuilder
	FDB-4055		Possible crash during EDS initialization
	FDB-4054		VI-EventBuilder Gear Mapped Data block supports only 5 gears
	FDB-4040		VI-EventBuilder: calc_mode=relative misread when opening vdf
	FDB-3974	Matlab	External input for Maneuver ID
	FDB-3896	Matlab	Define a proper set end condition
	FDB-3880	Matlab	VI-Driver activity flag as output channel
	FDB-3846	Matlab	Support for external controllers
	FDB-3835		VDF parameters mismatch during reading/saving procedure
	FDB-3816		VI-EventBuilder rider motion library component wrongly defined
	FDB-3813	Adams	Support for Adams 2015
	FDB-3797		VI-EventBuilder --> Save VDF file (direct button) doesn't work
	FDB-3793	FMI	Support for FMI 2.0
	FDB-3784		VI-EventBuilder crash when 'connect to' action is applied to an input port
	FDB-3070		Improve error management in VDF Converter
	FDB-2523		Spike on computation time for closed paths
	FDB-1709	Matlab	Support user defined signal
	FDB-601		Minimum skidpad path length is hardcoded to 1000m

1.7.6 Release 16.0

Version	Change ID	Module	Change
16.0	FDB-3564	Matlab	Integrate documentation of unsupported functionalities for matlab version of VI-Driver
	FDB-3204		VDF converter misunderstand SDF yaw controller activation state
	FDB-3200		VDF converter ignore the straight setup mode in Adams Car event files

	FDB-3169	Adams	Longitudinal slip controller is broken in v15
	FDB-3151		Unexpected different clutch behavior for gear machine or openloop
	FDB-2992	Adams	Support for Adams 2013.2
	FDB-2979		Human driver model evolution to adopt an optimization process on cost function
	FDB-2972		Graphical interface for creating/editing event files (VI-EventBuilder)
	FDB-2889		Controller settings block should be maneuver specific
	FDB-2590	Adams	Wrong ACF file is generated with SI2 and HHT integrators
	FDB-2453	FMI	New package VI-Driver for FMI to enable usage of VI-Driver in FMI enabled environments
	FDB-2352	Adams	Macro errors reported generating VDF for vehicle with many gears
	FDB-1205	Adams	Event initial conditions are duplicated in VDF and auxiliary VDF file

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Version	Change ID	Module	Change
15.0	FDB-2868	Matlab	Support for grt and rsim targets
	FDB-2713	Matlab	Unify 32 and 64 bit installation packages
	FDB-2589	Adams	Initial setup = 'STANDARD' incorrectly activate initial condition setup
	FDB-2553	Adams	New tool to convert Adams Car XML and SDF event files to VDF
	FDB-2547	Adams	Support for Adams 2013
	FDB-2447		Gear shifting parameters defined as function of path_s
	FDB-2244	Adams	Initial condition can be inaccurate using CXX solver with STRAIGHT setup mode
	FDB-2188	Adams	Support for plain Adams/Solver vehicle models
	FDB-1896	Adams	Unclear message is reported when startup speed differs from first point of DRD based speed map
	FDB-1889	Adams	Velocity end condition may trigger incorrectly at time=0.0
	FDB-1489		Support more human driver skill levels
	FDB-1482		Human driver computation mode
	FDB-1294	Adams	Could not run simulation once VI-Driver completes the maneuvers set
	FDB-1044		Brake demand increases when a downshift occurs

1.7.8 Release 14.0

Version	Change ID	Module	Change
14.0	FDB-2081	Matlab	Introduced specific license protection
	FDB-2052	Adams	Missing warning about overwriting existing installations
	FDB-1989	Adams	Engine speed initialized to 0 for models including Adams/Driveline components
	FDB-1986	Adams	Errors loading VI-driver module with some loaded assemblies
	FDB-1935	Adams	The key INITIAL_SETUP='SETTLE' can produce wrong initial setting for throttle brake signals
	FDB-1895		Random crash on simulation termination
	FDB-1708		Add capability of starting vehicles with manual transmission from zero speed
	FDB-1067		Improve error messages from steering controller

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	FDB-994		Support acceleration tracking mode for longitudinal controller
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Version	Change ID	Module	Change
13.1	FDB-1707	Adams	VDF files generated with the path compensation procedure does not include all settings from the original VDF
	FDB-1703	Adams	Separate target plugin directory from other VI-grade modules
	FDB-1691	Matlab	VI-Driver Mex integration time is not connected to the VDF file specification
	FDB-1688		Differentiate gearshifting parameters between upshift and downshift conditons
	FDB-1681		Support PATH_S as independent variable for DCD based signals
	FDB-1678	Matlab	VI-Driver messages are not shown in the matlab console
	FDB-1648	Adams	Include the Tire Longitudinal slip controller in VDF creation
	FDB-1619	Adams	Path compensation request should support multiple instances
	FDB-1607	Adams	VI-Driver initial condition setup activation is disconnected from event file setting
	FDB-1599	Adams	Adams/Solver output step affects VI-Driver calculation
	FDB-1571		Tire longitudinal slip controller formulation improvements to generate more continuous throttle corrections
	FDB-1539		VI-Driver idle controller may fail on maneuver trigger
	FDB-1535	Adams	VDF file created for VI-SpeeGen does not include all available data blocks.
	FDB-1477	Adams	Several SmartDriver warnings are dumped in the message file running VI-Driver events
	FDB-1407	Adams	Updating VDF file based on drd may lead to initial speed mismatches.
	FDB-1352	Adams	Tire Longitudinal slip controller data block is lost during VDF update process
	FDB-1348	Adams	Running VI-Driver events with ADAMS/Driveline model may lead to incorrect initial gear selection (3rd)
	FDB-154	Matlab	Print product banner with version/revision number
	FDB-116	Adams	One step delay in maneuver termination

1.7.10 Release 13.0

Version	Change ID	Module	Change
13.0	FDB-1381		driver setup may not converge for high initial speed
	FDB-1301		Detect error condition when string is not terminated in VDF file
	FDB-1231		Added missing URL info in version banner
	FDB-1216		Created package documentation
	FDB-1213		Fixed compatibility with Adams/Driverline events
	FDB-1204		Support for cubic map interpolation
	FDB-1203		Support for map scaling factor
	FDB-1195		Fixed VDF dump of longitudinal slip controller data
	FDB-1181		Support for Adams 2010
	FDB-1142		Fixed crash enabling EDS with speed set to maintain
	FDB-1085		Prevent gearshifting when tires spin

	FDB-1043	Fixed controls compatibility from Adams Car
	FDB-1042	Generate matlab interface file for cosimulation mode
	FDB-1040	Support for variable steering ratio
	FDB-1039	Simulink does not stop integrating on license error
	FDB-993	Support absolute/relative s_coord in map interpolation
	FDB-991	Support transmission efficiency coefficient
	FDB-889	Prevent extreme resizing of Adams dialog boxes
	FDB-885	Support for gearshifting with no clutch/throttle actuation
	FDB-504	Support rate limiter for throttle, brake and steering demand



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