Connected and Automated Vehicle Systems: State of the Art and TRB Activities

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Traditional transportation technologies have matured to the point of diminishing returns

Intelligent transportation systems (ITS) have been developing gradually for the last 25 years
- Infrastructure (Roads, Signals, Signs, Tolling)
- Vehicle systems (Sensors, Communications)

Automation overcomes driver limitations

Connectivity integrates vehicles and roadways into an intelligent transportation system
Automation; a tool for solving transportation problems

– Alleviating congestion
  – Increase capacity of roadway infrastructure
  – Improve traffic flow

– Reduce energy use and emissions
  – Aerodynamic “drafting”
  – Improve traffic flow (signal phase and timing)

– Improve safety
  – Reduce and mitigate crashes
    – Fatal crash MTBF > 3 million vehicle hours
    – Injury crash MTBF > 65,000 vehicle hours
## SAE automation levels

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<th>Name</th>
<th>Narrative Definition</th>
<th>Execution of Steering and Acceleration/Deceleration</th>
<th>Monitoring of Driving Environment</th>
<th>Fallback Performance of Dynamic Driving Task</th>
<th>System Capability (Driving Modes)</th>
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<td>No Automation</td>
<td>the full-time performance by the human driver of all aspects of the dynamic driving task, even when enhanced by warning or intervention systems</td>
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<td>Driver Assistance</td>
<td>the driving mode-specific execution by a driver assistance system of either steering or acceleration/deceleration using information about the driving environment and with the expectation that the human driver perform all remaining aspects of the dynamic driving task</td>
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<td>Partial Automation</td>
<td>the driving mode-specific execution by one or more driver assistance systems of both steering and acceleration/deceleration using information about the driving environment and with the expectation that the human driver perform all remaining aspects of the dynamic driving task</td>
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### Human driver monitors the driving environment

- Adaptive cruise control
- OR
- Lane keeping assist

### Automated driving system ("system") monitors the driving environment

- Traffic jam pilot
- Automated parking

- Highway driving pilot
- Closed campus driverless shuttle
- Driverless valet

- Automated taxi
- Car share repositioning
Automated driving technologies

Autonomous ITS
Independent, unconnected

Cooperative ITS
Connected vehicle systems
Autonomous Driving

Pros

– Significant interest motivated by DARPA challenges and Google publicity.

– Minimal reliance on infrastructure or other vehicles.

– Reduced privacy concerns

– Reduced cyber security issues

– Benefit not dependent on market penetration/adoption.

Cons

– Limited information regarding vehicle state to infrastructure.

– Limited information regarding other vehicle states.

– Limited information regarding traffic, road and weather conditions.

– Significant hype and misinformation, compounded by misleading vocabulary
  – “Driverless”
  – “Self-driving”
  – “Autonomous”
## Connected Driving

### Pros

- Better information regarding vehicle state to infrastructure operators.
- Better information regarding vehicle state to other vehicles and drivers.
- Better information and guidance about traffic, road, and weather conditions.

### Cons

- Reliance on infrastructure or other vehicles. Significant infrastructure cost.
- Privacy concerns
- Cyber security issues
- Benefit dependent on market penetration/adoption
- Significant hype and misinformation
  - "V2V crash avoidance technology has game-changing potential. . ."
  - "Research into the overwhelming safety benefits provided by a connected vehicle environment."
Automated vehicle symposia - History

- 125 participants
- Educated transportation community on recent progress in automation research, especially activities outside the U.S.
- Co-sponsored by 5 TRB committees

- 335 participants
- Hosted by Stanford University
- Focused on challenges and opportunities for road vehicle automation
- Resulted in 40+ research needs statements
- Co-sponsored by 7 TRB committees

- 572 participants
  - 44% industry
  - 34% acad/research
  - 22% government
  - (25% international)
  - Produced in partnership with AUVSI
  - Details in following slides
TRB Sponsoring Committees (2012 – 2014)

– Intelligent transportation systems | AHB15
– Vehicle – Highway automation | AHB30
– Emerging technology law | AL040
– Major activity center circulation systems | AP040
– Emerging & innovative public transportation & technologies | AP020
– Vehicle user characteristics | AND10
– Cyber security | ABE40(70)
– Transportation energy | ADC70
– Managed lanes | AHB35
– Travel analysis methods | ADB00 (2014)
– Transportation demand forecasting | ADB40 (2014)
– Statewide multimodal transportation planning | ADA10 (2014)
AVS 2014 International Attendees

Of those outside U.S.
- Japan 30%
- Canada 17%
- Germany 11%

16 Countries
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<td><strong>European Automation Projects:</strong> CityMobil2, AdaptlVe, Drive Me (Volvo)</td>
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<td><strong>Technology Issues Panel:</strong> VisLab, Technical University of Crete, Carnegie Mellon University, MIT</td>
<td><strong>Societal and Non-Technical Issues and Challenges Panel:</strong> Texas A&amp;M, Stanford, Toyota Research, J.D. Power</td>
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Survey of Attendees – Market Introduction

- **Low Speed**
  - 2018
  - Shuttle in Pedestrian Zones
  - Valet Parking

- **Freeway Limited Access**
  - 2019
  - Freeway Driving, driver take-over
  - Freeway Driving, fail-safe

- **Full Driver Replacement**
  - 2020
  - Truck Platooning, drivers in all trucks
  - Truck Platooning, lead driver only
  - Urban Driving
  - “Automated Taxi”
  - Take Child to School

- **Before 2020**
- **2020 - 2024**
- **2025 - 2029**
- **2030 - 2039**
- **2040 & After**
- **Never**
Planning for AVS 2015: July 21-23, Ann Arbor

Challenges and opportunities of road vehicle automation (Joint subcommittee of AHB30, AHB15)

Thursday 15 January, 8:00 – 12:00, Convention Center, Salon C

–Subcommittee created to cut across all TRB technical committees, with the mission of producing workshops/symposia
–Planning starts Thursday: Ideas discussed, break-out topics and volunteers identified
–Participation open to all volunteers
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The Automated Vehicles Symposium 2015 will be a multidisciplinary forum designed to advance the deployment of automated vehicles. Each day will kick off with high-level presentations by some of the brightest minds in the field. Network over lunch, and then in the afternoon, choose from interactive breakout sessions where you can go in-depth with your colleagues, share perspectives and have an open dialogue on the industry’s most pressing issues.