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Vehicular Communications

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- Current situation
- Communication technologies
- Stakeholder
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- Use cases
- Accidentology
- Challenges
- Need for regulation

- Research started roughly 30 years ago, political discussion 20 years ago
 - Enough scientific evidence to ensure the positive impact on vehicle safety
- The goal was indicated to achieve harmonization and area-wide deployment in order to realize the positive impacts on vehicle safety and traffic flow
- Deployment takes place only at a slow pace
 - Fragmented solutions have established
 - Lack of planning certainty

- Why now?
 - With UN R155, cybersecurity can be ensured in the vehicle, being a prerequisite for secure communication
- Current market is fragmented and no overarching solutions are available (e.g. communication technology)
- Different standards exist or are in development (e.g. ETSI, ISO, SAE)
- The technical maturity is given by the fact that the implementation is present in some vehicles

- Different technologies might be fit for purpose
 - Long-range via existing 3G / 4G / 5G mobile networks
 - Short-range via ETSI ITS-G5 / WAVE (WIFI-based, 802,11p) or Sidelink / PC5
 - Combination of both "hybrid communication"
- Different requirements for different services / use cases
 - No hard latency requirements, e.g. comfort and navigation
 - Latency critical, i.e. immediate crash avoidance

Communication technologies



- Interoperability (content-wise)
- $\circ~$ Interference / congestion on the radio channel spectrum use
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Source: SECUR Project, UTAC

https://www.utac.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/SECUR-D2.2-Suitability-of-the-different-technologies-for-the-selected-use-cases-v1.4.pdf

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Stakeholder

- System are not owned/run by one single actor/group
- Alignment within and across stakeholder groups is necessary
- Different roles/sectors
 - Regulators
 - Road operators & authorities
 - o Automotive industry
 - \circ Telecommunication
 - Service providers

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Source: ENISA https://www.enisa.europa.eu/publications/cybersecurity-stocktaking-in-the-cam/@@download/fullReport

Stakeholder

- Numerous public and private actors
- OEM, aftermarket, national, international
- Might be sender / receiver or "enabler"



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- C-Roads / Cooperative ITS Corridor
- Construction site warning system / "Baustellenwarner"
 - o 1500 devices are being rolled out and will be active on the highways
 - But the messages can only be received by

few vehicles via short-range communication



 It is becoming noticeable that the infrastructure is implementing more and more systems that have integrated communication technologies

- Agreed list of so-called "Day One" Services
- Different benefits to be realized
- Combination of safety, comfort, traffic flow / reduced emissions

List of Day1 services Hazardous location notifications:

- Slow or stationary vehicle(s) & Traffic ahead warning
- Road works warning
- Weather conditions
- Emergency brake light
- Emergency vehicle approaching
- Other hazardous notifications

Signage applications:

- In-vehicle signage
- In-vehicle speed limits
- Signal violation / Intersection Safety
 - Traffic signal priority request by designated vehicles
- Green Light Optimal Speed Advisory (GLOSA)
 - Probe vehicle data
 - Shockwave Damping (falls under ETSI Category "local hazard warning")

	List of Day 1'5 services
	Information on fuelling & charging stations for alternative fuel vehicles
\rightarrow	Vulnerable Road user protection
	On street parking management & information
\rightarrow	Off street parking information
\rightarrow	Park & Ride information
\rightarrow	Connected & Cooperative navigation into and out of the city (1 st and last mile,
	parking, route advice, coordinated traffic lights)
	Traffic information & Smart routing

- More services and use cases exist (e.g. collective perception)
- ADAS & on-board sensors won't solve everything (e.g. non-line-of-sight)
- Connectivity & cooperation address additional areas of interest, thereby helping to close the gap



Source: Feifel, Erdem, Menzel, Gee - 27th ESV Conference, Proceedings https://www-esv.nhtsa.dot.gov/Proceedings/27/27ESV-000082.pdf Figure 11: Fields-of-action of V2X-enhanced ADAS addressing vehicle vs vehicle crashes. At year 15 and year 30 of introduction.

- Enough scientific evidence to ensure the positive impact on vehicle safety
- Direct communication among vehicles, or V2V, has the potential to address approximately **80 percent** of unimpaired multi-vehicle crashes and if collective perception service is included in combined V2V and V2I technologies the potential to address vehicles versus VRU crashes is also around **80 percent** to protect VRU (based on crash data: in Japan 76%, in Germany 83% and in US 84%)

- Communication standards provide a huge toolbox as framework
- A detailed manual is needed how to use the tools properly
 Profiles
- Communication requires sender & receiver to use harmonized profiles
- At least an agreed common core is required





- Ramp up of penetration rate takes time
 - Highest benefits when each vehicle/actor can communicate with every other
 - Non-interoperable solutions problematic
- Consider transition from older to newer generations
 - Avoid starting from scratch again
 - Capabilities/functionalities might be added removed
- Stability and flexibility required
 - Backward-compatibility across versions of standards
 - Need to adopt new use cases / developments



- Vehicle manufacturers interested, but mostly cautious/hesitant
 - The first frontrunner needs to consider "the chance to explore new markets" versus "the burden to solve all problems for followers"?
 - Keep data in silos and under control or open up for an increased benefit?
 - Which technology to use and on which market?
- Infrastructure operators willing to modernize, but resources are limited
 - Infrastructure has long life cycles (20, 30, 40 years), technology might become outdated

- Vehicle Challenges in many areas
 - Organizational (governance, roles and responsibilities, resources)
 - Technical (interoperability, specification details)
 - Functional (selection of services, interpretation of use cases)
 - Legal (compliance, liability)
- Majority not solvable on an individual basis
 - \circ Changes on the sender side impact receiver
 - Certainty needs to be established along value chains and in value networks
 - Aspects like acceptance are rather social considerations

- Harmonized approach for vehicle technology
- Enable vehicles to receive messages (e.g. hazard warnings)
- In the area of direct communication, commitment to one technology or enabling coexistence
- Hybrid communication offers the possibility, through the dual approach, that information can be passed on to the relevant vehicles via several channels in a way that promotes safety
- Counteracting fragmentation and increasing planning security



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