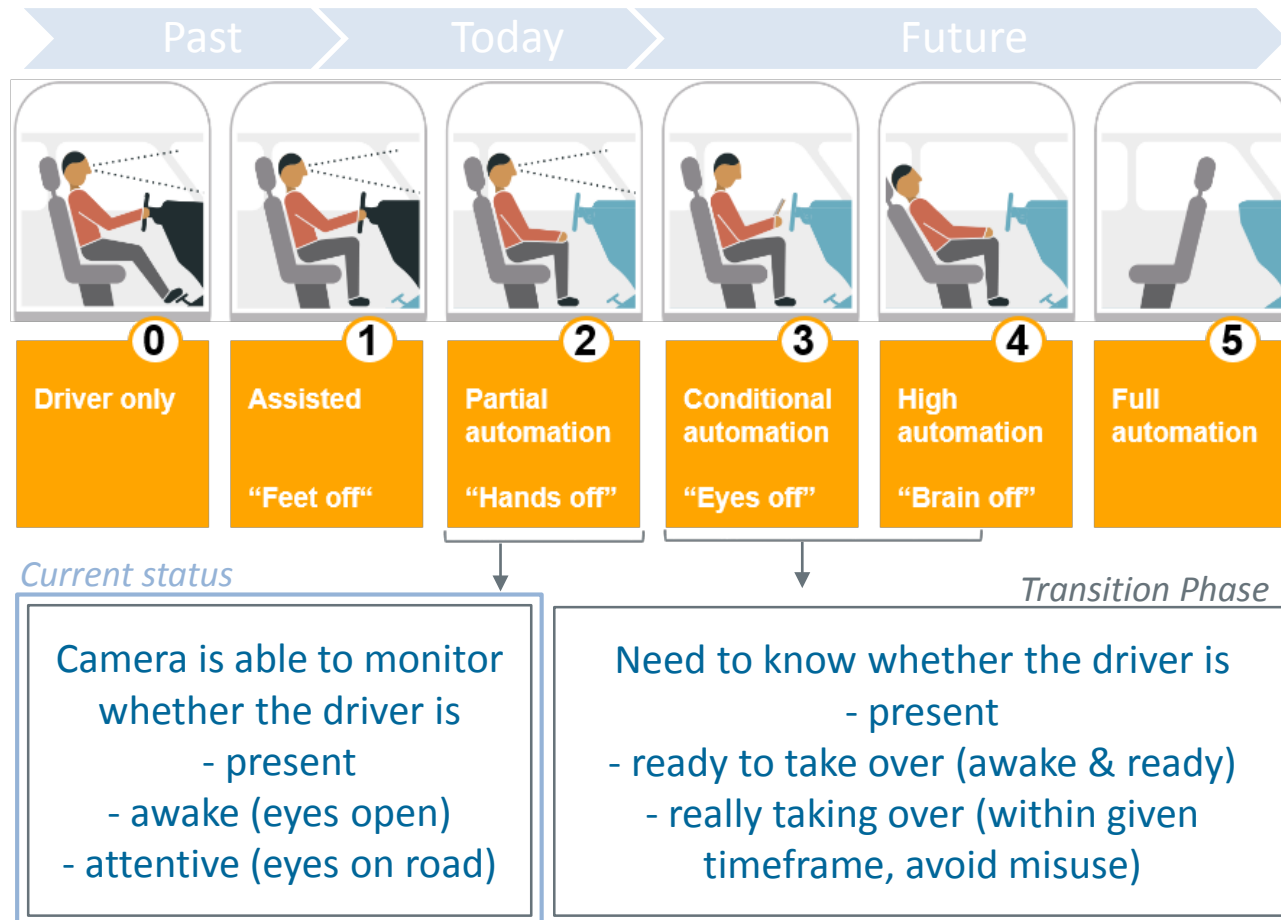


Interior Camera - A solution to Driver Monitoring Status



Driver Monitoring in the Context of Automated Driving

Ensure Smooth Transition Phases



One key factor in take-over scenarios is **Driver Availability Recognition**

Drivers are attentive when their **eyes are on the road**

To know if a driver has the eyes on the road, it is crucial to **monitor the eyes**

Eye gaze can only be monitored with a **visual system**

Interior Camera is suitable for Driver Monitoring

Driver Monitoring via Interior Camera

Head-Eye-Tracking System



Head-Eye-Tracker (based on visual features)

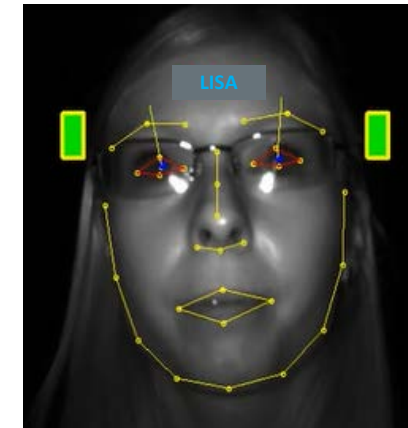
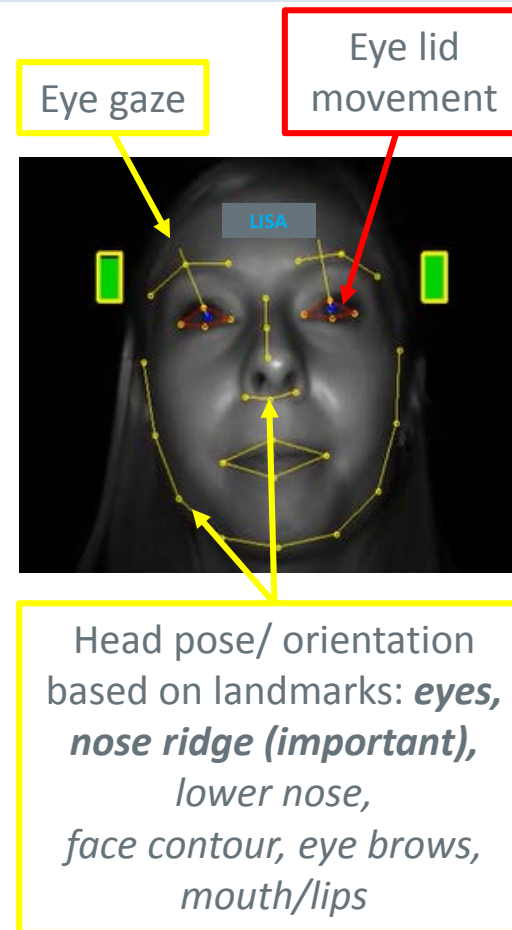
- Global Shutter Camera
- IR Illumination (850 nm or 940 nm)
- Potential Mounting Positions:



Stand-alone: Steering Column, Center Display Area
Integrated: Full Digital/ Instrument Cluster, Center Display

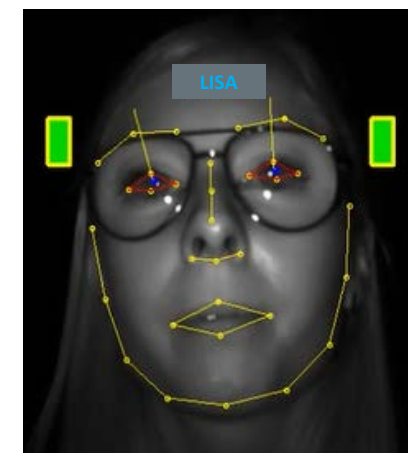
Occlusions are handled dynamically

- First SOP: February 2018
- More SOPs: 2019, 2020 and 2021



The Interior Camera can look through 'normal' glasses

and through sunglasses¹



(also deals with e.g. face masks, beard)

¹Exception: IR blocking sunglasses

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Current Use Cases (Examples)



Driver Drowsiness Detection

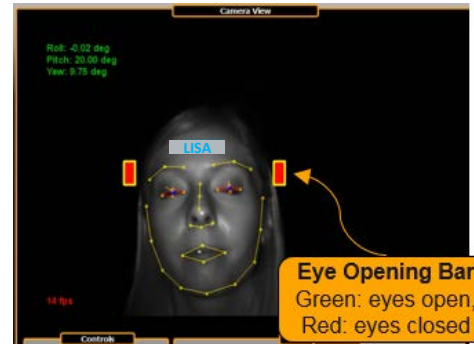
Diagnostic from **Eye Lid Behavior**

- Developed from real driving tests using EEG/EOG expertise



→ based on blink duration and velocity

- E.g. 4 levels derived from Karolinska Sleepiness Scale (KSS)

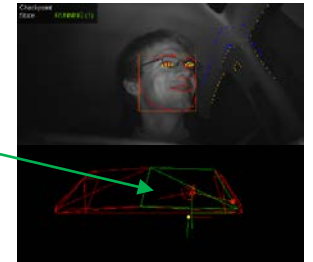


Detection if the eyes are open, closed, or partially open/closed: Percentage of Closure (PerClos)¹

Driver Attentiveness Detection

“On-road” gaze classification

- Fusion of head pose and eye gaze: “Virtual window” defined for on-road



Glance duration (eye gaze being off-road) and frequency

Gaze area (e.g., mirrors, cluster)

Vehicle speed (influences classification sensitivity)

Attentive

Distracted

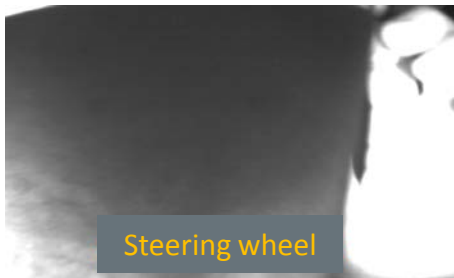
¹ Knippling, R. and P. Rau (1998) PERCLOS: A valid Psychological Measure of Alertness as Assessed by Psychomotor Vigilance

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Robustness and Safety Functionality

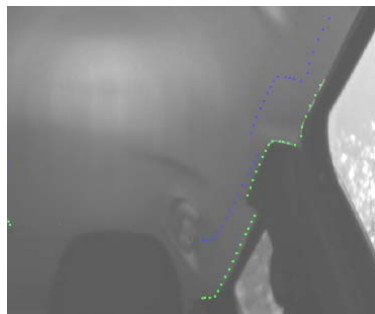


- **Fail Safe Functions:** Camera blockage, fake detection



Liveliness (e.g. eye blinks)

- **Online Extrinsic Calibration**
 - Misalignment calibration of the camera pose w. r. t. the car coordinate system
 - Robust against environmental light and occlusions



- **Algorithms Performance**

– Test Data base:

- Variety of faces and attributes to faces (e.g. hairstyle, glasses)
- Illumination
- Driving data sequences
- Ground Truth¹ data

– Ground Truth and Reference System

¹Ground Truth = Reference system

Driver Monitoring via Interior Camera

System Capabilities & Limitations



Requirement	Specification	Capabilities	Limitations
Driver Presence	Yes/No	✓ detects head and/or body	Must be within sensor range
Driver Readiness	Attentive	✓ eye gaze, head pose (position/orientation)	Must be within sensor range Reduced reliability if eyes are not visible to the camera
	Awake (drowsiness)	✓ multiple levels → direct detection of closed eyes; high correlation of drowsiness detection via eye opening, behavior: yawning, speaking, head movement	Must be within sensor range Reduced reliability if eyes are not visible to the camera



ANNEX

Possible Future Testing Concepts

Combination of Basic and Virtual Testing



- A. Normed dummy (incl. eye blinking, head movements)
 - Defined test scenario for basic functionality of Driver Presence and Driver Readiness (attentive, awake)
 - Physical test (spot sample), e.g. detect eye lid behavior (open/closed), body/ head rotation

- B. Virtual/ simulated tests
 - Cover variations for different people, situations, driving scenarios, etc.
 - Verification of the function

