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Operation Strategy of the Near-term Deployment of Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control Technology

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- Case Study for Manage Lane
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INTRODUCTION



■ Safety

- 35 thousand highway deaths & 3.6 million crashes in 2015 *
- The leading cause of death for ages 1-44**

■ Mobility***

- 6.9 billion hours of travel delay
- \$160 billion congestion cost

■ Environment***

- 3.1 billion gallons of fuel wasted
- 60 billion pounds of additional CO₂



* Traffic Safety Facts, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (August 2016)

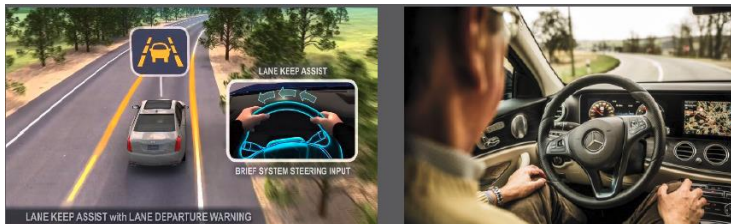
**Ten Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, United States –2014, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

***2015 Urban Mobility Scorecard, Texas A&M Transportation Institute and INRIX (August 2015)



Connected and Automated Vehicles

Level of Automation



Level 1: driver assistance

Level 2: partial automation

Here Today



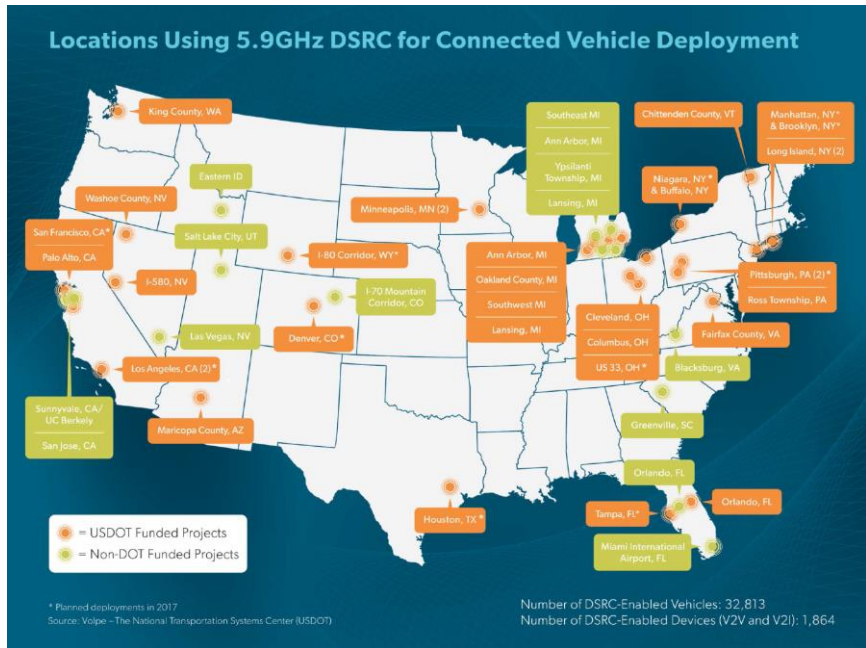
Level 3: conditional automation

Level 4: high automation

In Testing



Level 5: full automation Someday (?)

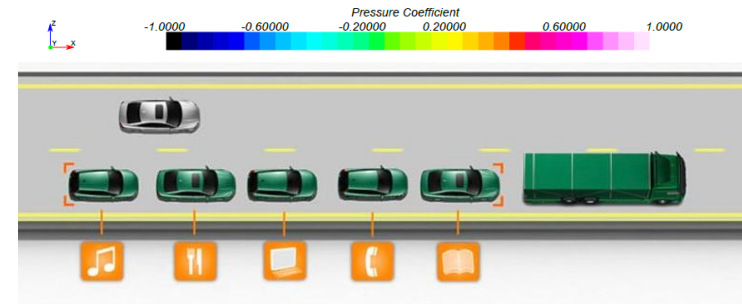
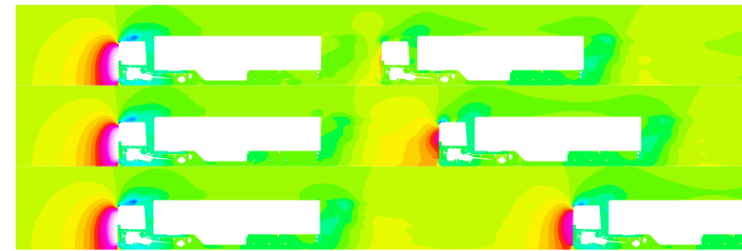


- 72,000 vehicles and 65,000 C2X device have been equipped with V2X technology through the United States



Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control (CACC) is a promising application of CAV technology with the primary benefits of:

- Increase highway capacity by short intra-platoon headway
- Reduce fuel consumption by decreasing air resistance via a tightly coupled platoon
- Improve safety by attenuating traffic disturbances
- Increase riding comfort and convenience





CACC Field Experiment

1996

• KONVOI

1997

• Automated Highway System
Demonstration

2008

• Energy ITS Project

2009

• Safe Road Train for the Environment

2011

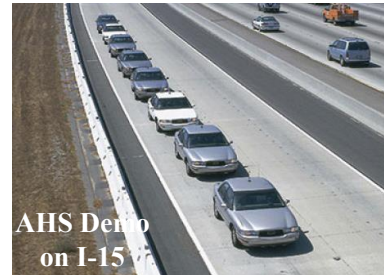
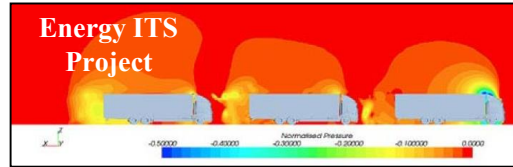
• Grand Cooperative Driving Challenge

2015

• USDOT CV Pilot Deployment Program

2016

• European Truck Platooning Challenge

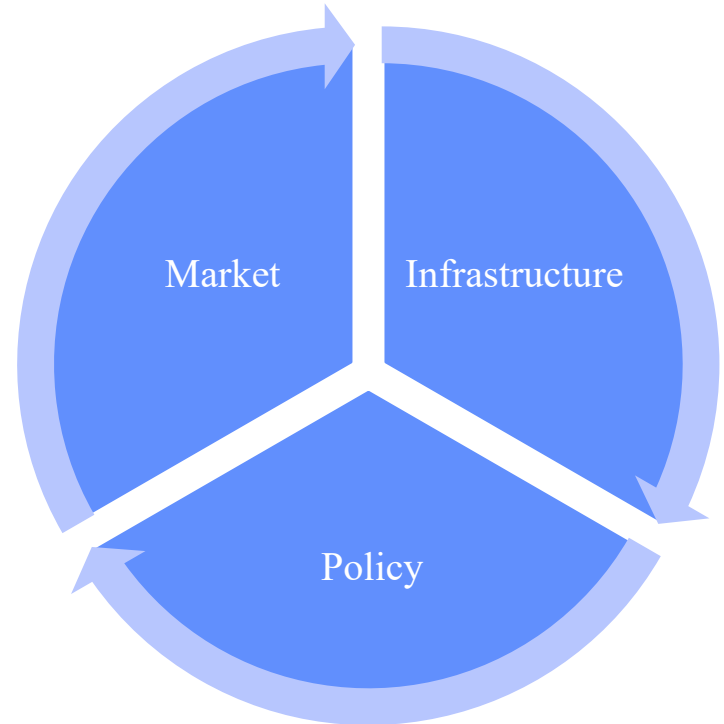




NEAR-TERM CACC DEPLOYMENT



- **Infrastructure**
 - DSRC-enabled Roadside Units
 - Automated Driving System
- **Policy**
 - Preferential lane use
 - Technical accommodation
- **Market**
 - Incentive to upgrade & retrofit





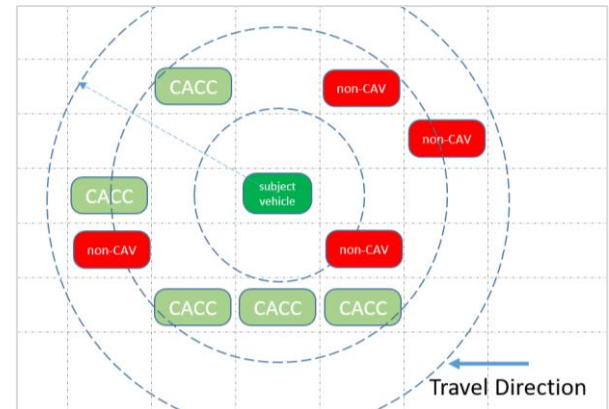
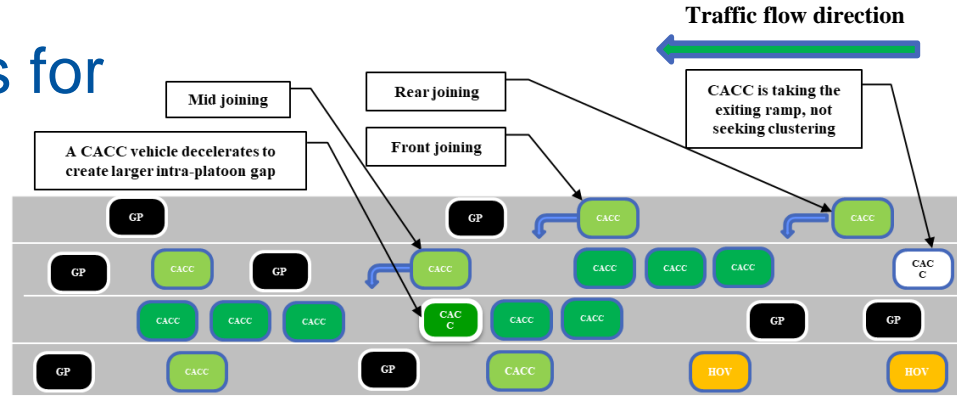
CACC Vehicle Clustering

Three clustering strategies for CACC platoons

- Ad hoc coordination
- Local coordination**
- Global coordination

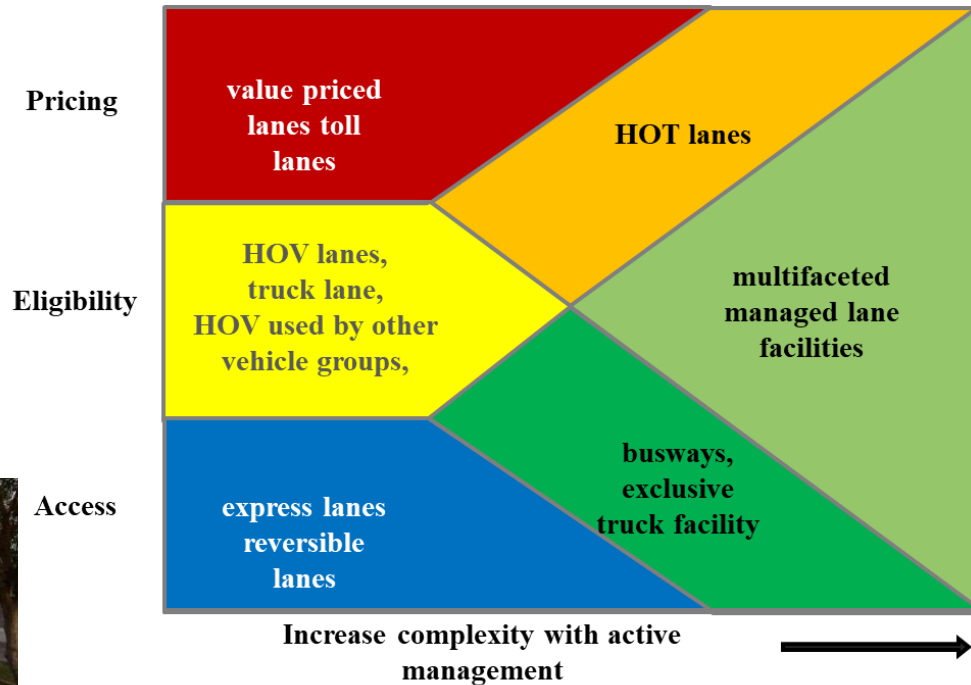
Managed lane policy for CACC

- Creates a local high market penetration region
- Increases traffic homogeneity





Managed lanes: freeway lanes that are set aside and operated under a variety of fixed and/or real-time strategies responding to local goals as well as objectives (e.g., improving mobility, promoting air quality, or enhancing safety)





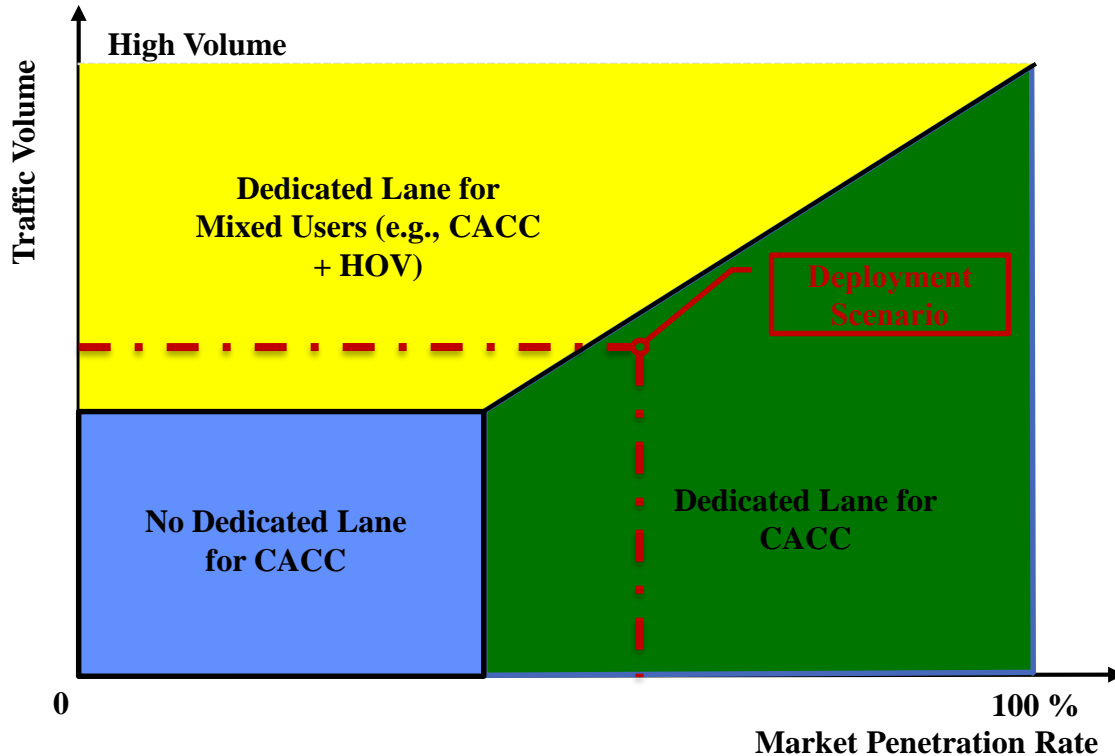
- **Managed Lane**
 - **Phase 1:** Provide free CAV use of the managed lane to incentivize customers to purchase/retrofit CACC vehicles until reaching unacceptable operating condition in managed lane
 - **Phase 2:** Allow CACC platoons with sufficient safety gaps to share the managed lane with non-CACC vehicles.
 - **Phase 3:** Transition to dedicated CACC lane once MPR warrants and permit automated high-performance driving (with higher cruising speed, shorter following distance, etc.)



CASE STUDY: THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MANAGED LANE



Suitable Managed Lane Strategy



- Managed lane can facilitate CACC clustering to harness the short following distance enabled by V2V communication
- The boundary under various traffic conditions could be determined via simulation



- CACC Vehicle Longitudinal Control:
Enhanced-Intelligent Driver Model (Kesting et al. 2010)**

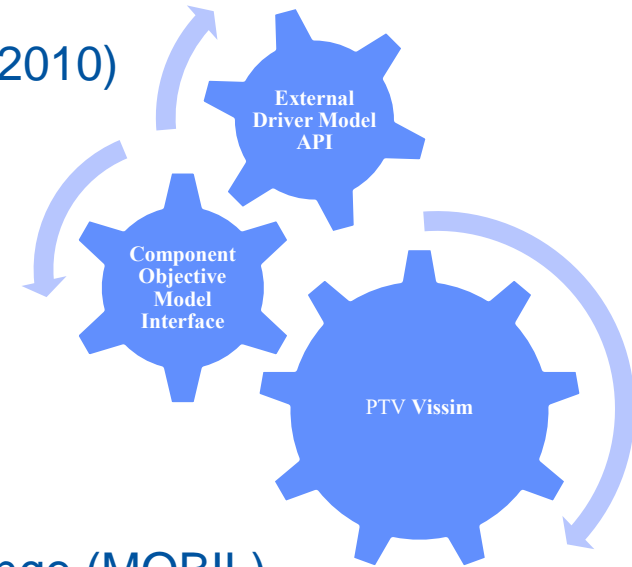
$$\ddot{x} = \begin{cases} a[1 - (\frac{\dot{x}}{x_{des}})^\delta - (\frac{s^*(\dot{x}, \dot{x}_{lead})}{s_0})] & \text{if } x = \ddot{x}_{IDM} \geq \ddot{x}_{CAH} \\ (1 - c)\ddot{x}_{IDM} + c[\ddot{x}_{CAH} + b \cdot \tanh(\frac{\ddot{x}_{IDM} - \ddot{x}_{CAH}}{b})] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$s^*(\dot{x}, \dot{x}_{lead}) = s_0 + \dot{x}T + \frac{\dot{x}(\dot{x} - \dot{x}_{lead})}{2\sqrt{ab}}$$

$$\ddot{x}_{CAH} = \begin{cases} \frac{\dot{x}^2 \cdot \min(\dot{x}_{lead}, \dot{x})}{\dot{x}_{lead}^2 - 2x \cdot \min(\dot{x}_{lead}, \dot{x})} & \dot{x}_{lead}(\dot{x} - \dot{x}_{lead}) \leq -2x \min(\dot{x}_{lead}, \dot{x}) \\ \min(\ddot{x}_{lead}, \ddot{x}) - \frac{(\dot{x} - \dot{x}_{lead})^2 \Theta(\dot{x} - \dot{x}_{lead})}{2x} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- CACC Vehicle Lateral Control:
Minimizing Overall Braking Induced by Lane Change (MOBIL)
Model (Kesting et al. 2007)**

$$\tilde{\ddot{x}} - \ddot{x} + p(\tilde{\ddot{x}}_n - \ddot{x}_n + \tilde{\ddot{x}}_o - \ddot{x}_o) > \Delta \ddot{x}_{th}$$



x



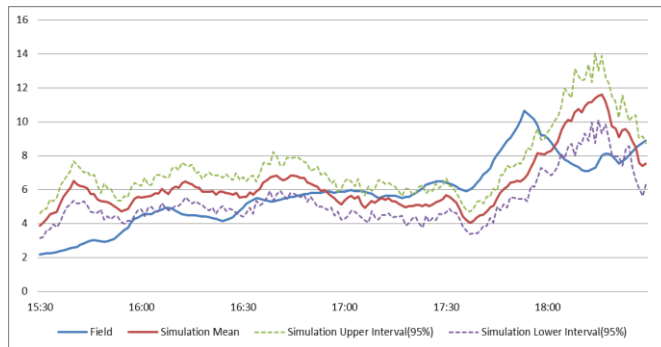
- The I-66 Segment, VA
 - A major commuter corridor outside of the beltway of Washington D.C. with recurring congestion during peak hours
 - The chosen segment is 8-km (5-mile) long with 2 interchanges and 4 lanes in each direction
 - An HOV lane implemented in the leftmost lane



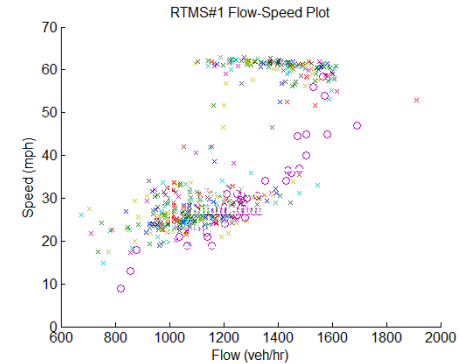


■ Data Collection

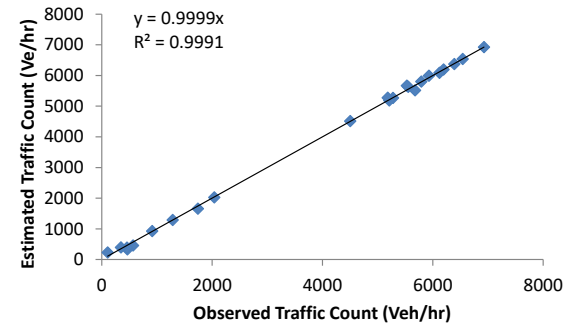
- Remote traffic microwave sensors (speed, volume, and occupancy)
- Video cameras (ramp volume)
- INRIX probe vehicle data (TMC travel time)



Travel Time (TMC 110+01476)



Speed-flow diagram



O-D estimation



CACC Managed Lane Strategies

Strategy	ID	1 st Lane	2 nd Lane	3 rd Lane	4 th Lane (leftmost)	MPR, %	Access Control
Base case	BASE	GP+ HOV			HOV	N/A	No
Unmanaged lane	UML	GP +CACC				10~50	
Mixed managed lane	MML	GP +HOV + CACC			CACC + HOV		
CACC lane w/o access control	DL	GP + CACC			CACC		
CACC lane w/ access control	DLA	GP + CACC			CACC	Yes	

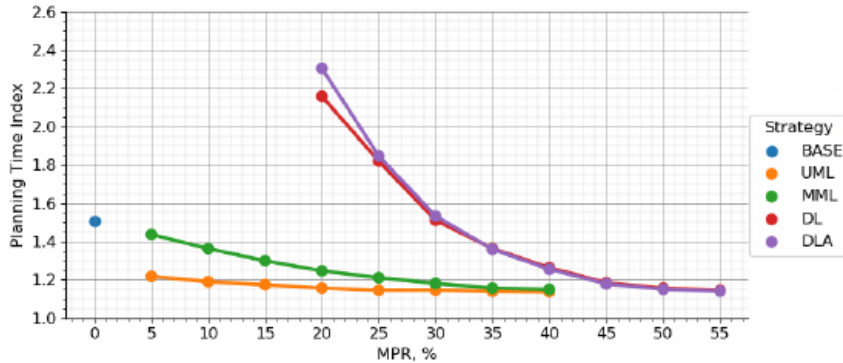
GP: General Propose

HOV: High occupancy vehicle

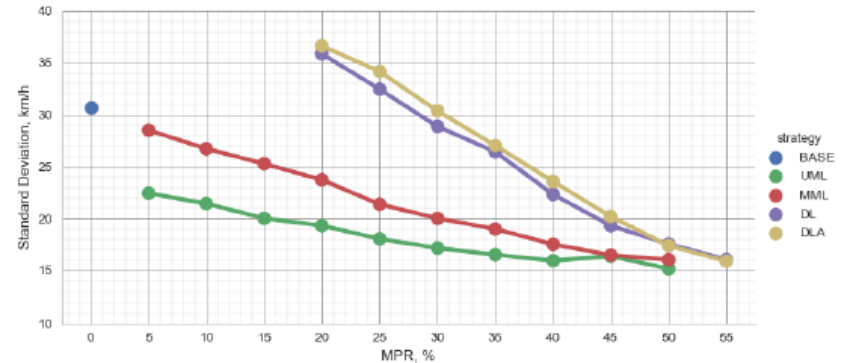


- Calibrated vehicle behaviors in Vissim realistically represent the road users' driving behaviors.
- The vehicle controller is free of control errors.
- The lateral control for platoon formation is conducted by human drivers with recommendations for lane change from the CACC system.
- Human-driven vehicles treat CACC vehicles as another human-driven vehicles. (no indication whether a vehicle is equipped with CACC system)

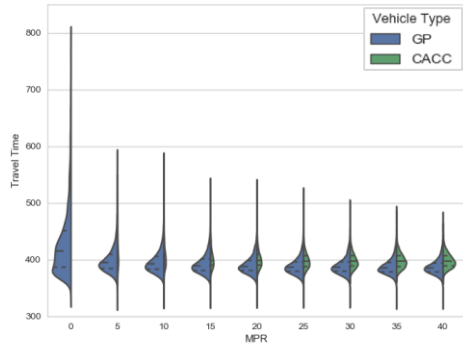
- Five aspects are focused on:
 - 1) mobility, 2) safety, 3) equity, 4) emission, and 5) platoon clustering performance



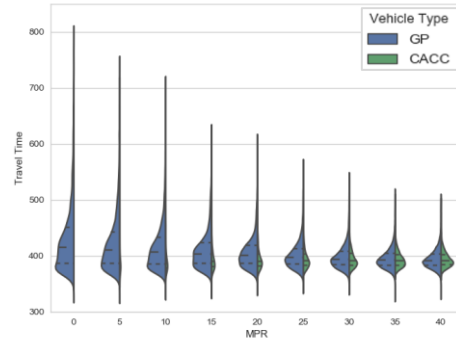
1) Mobility: planning time index



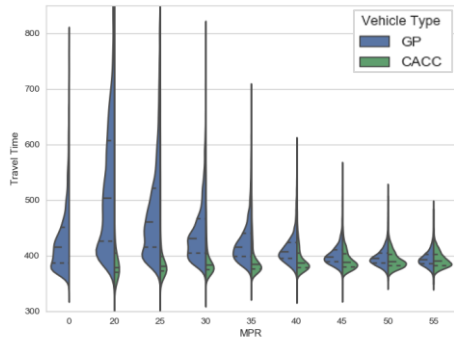
2) Safety: std. deviation of speed



(a) no managed lane

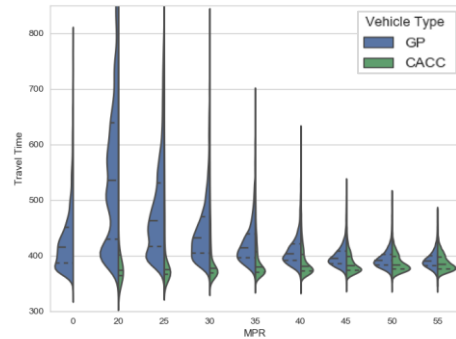


(b) mixed managed lane

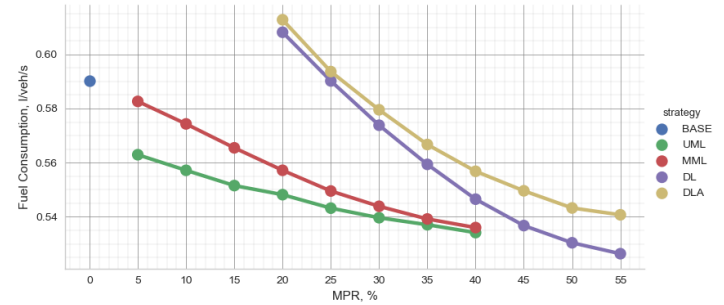


(c) dedicated lane

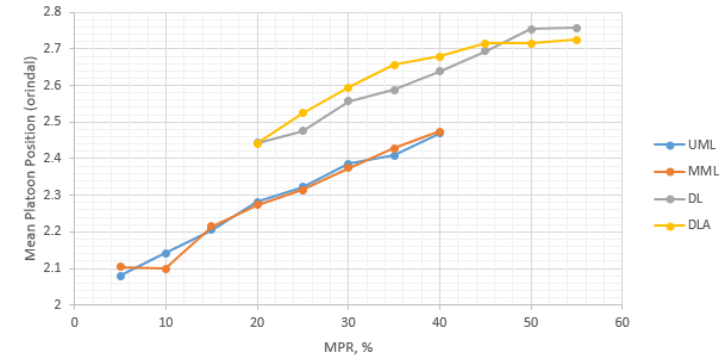
3) Equity: travel time comparison



(d) dedicated lane with access control



4) Environmental: avg. fuel consumption



5) Platoon: avg. platoon size



Evaluation Score Matrices

MOEs	Evaluation Score Assignment
Mobility, safety, equity, and environmental impact	improvement: 1 neutral: 0 degradation: -1
CACC platooning	ranked among 4 strategies 1st : 4 (best) 2nd: 3 3rd: 2 4th:1 (worst)

	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
UML	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
MML	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
DL	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	1	3	2	4	4	4
DLA	0	0	0	0	-2	-2	-2	2	2	3	4	4

(a) traffic performance score

	20	25	30	35	40		20	25	30	35	40
UML	4	4	4	2	2	UML	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.00	1.00
MML	4	4	4	5	5	MML	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.50	1.50
DL	5	4	4	5	5	DL	0.67	0.50	0.83	1.33	1.17
DLA	7	8	8	8	8	DLA	0.83	1.00	1.00	1.67	1.67

(b) platooning performance score

(c) normalized sum of score



Policy Recommendations

Strategy/ MPR	5%	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%
Unmanaged	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue				
Mixed	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green		
Dedicated						Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple
Dedicated						Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow

- Mixing CACC traffic across all travel lanes is an acceptable option when the market penetration rate is below 30%.
- Mixed managed lane is a versatile option for providing priority lane usage for CACC
- Dedicated lane starts to show its advantage when mid-rang MPR (30% -55%) is reached

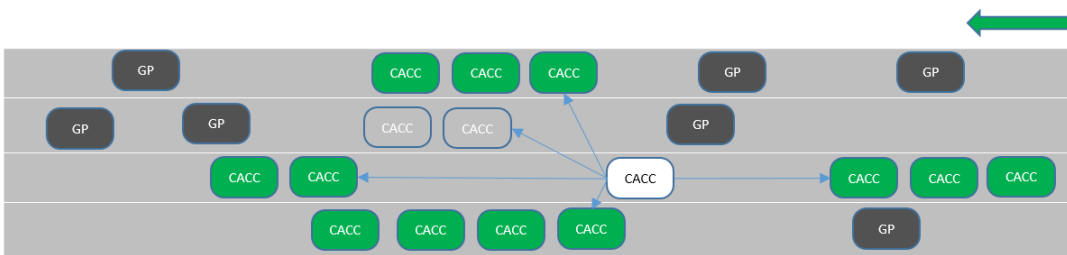


FUTURE RESEARCH

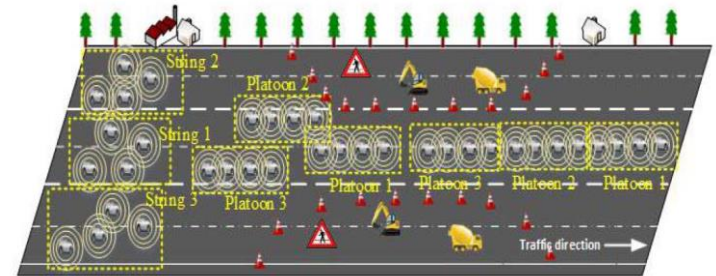
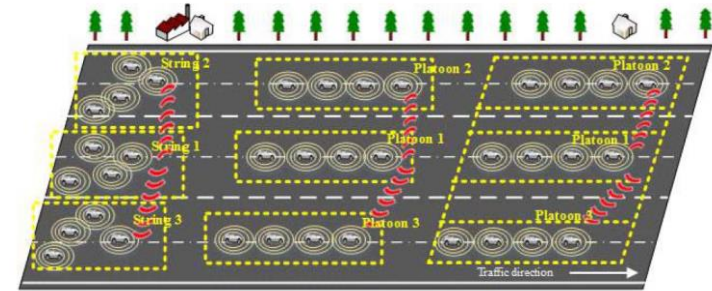


CAV Platoon Clustering

- Determine the platoon to join for a free-agent CACC vehicle, considering:
 - O-D information
 - size of the platoon
 - expected maneuvers, etc.
- Cooperative among platoons



A free-agent CACC vehicle join an existing or form a new platoon

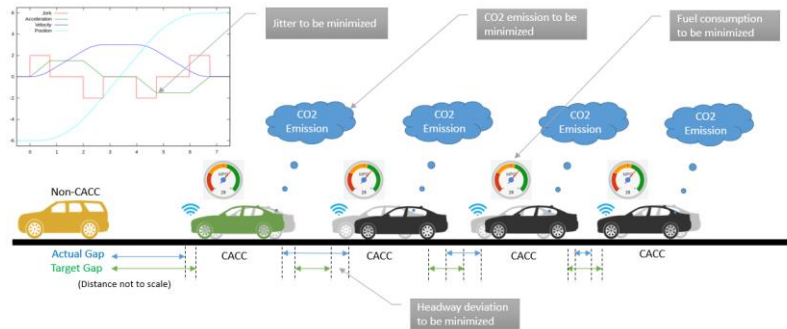


CACC Platoon Coordination
(source: Li et al. 2018)

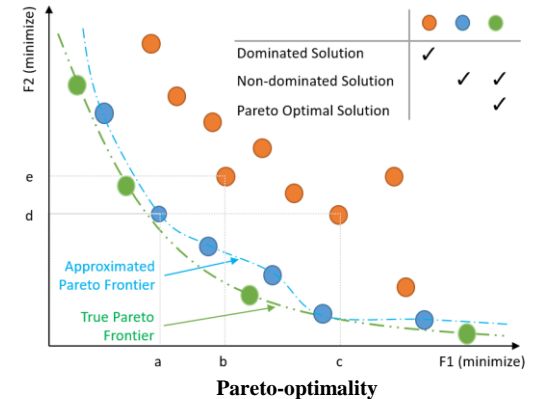


Optimization-based Cooperative Driving

- Framework for conducting cooperative driving at platoon level
- Dynamic prioritization of certain objectives based on operational need



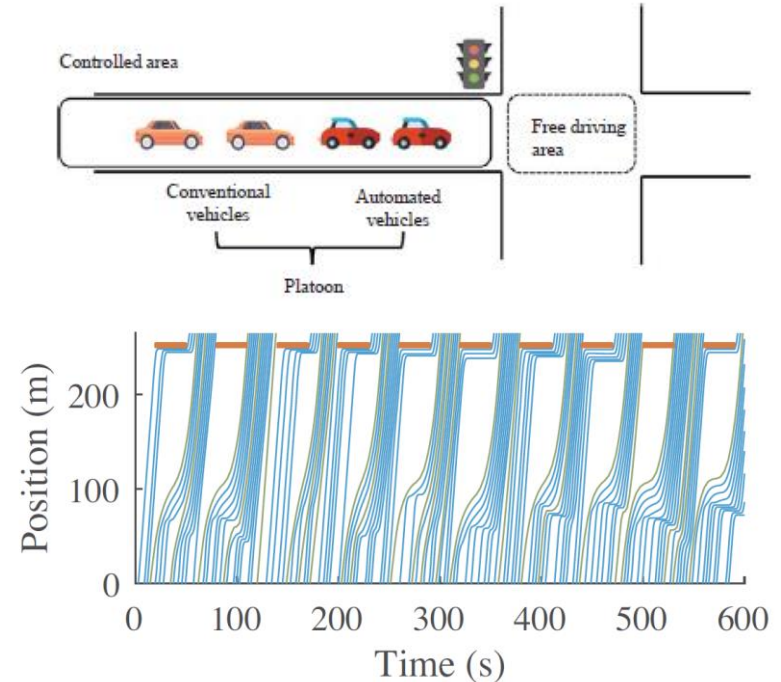
Multi-objective-based cooperative driving



(Potential funding agencies: FHWA, Advanced Research Projects Agency–Energy)

- Platoon based cooperative eco-driving
 - The lead vehicle in the platoon received signal phase and timing information via V2I communication
 - The traffic states are available via V2V communication
 - CAVs indirectly control HVs

(Potential funding agencies: ARPA-E, FHWA)





Time-space diagram for intersection crossing (Source: Zhao et al. 2018)



Impact on non-CAV Traffic

- The presence of closely-coupled CACC vehicles in the proximity of other human drivers
- Influence of the induced lane change when CACC vehicles form platoons
- Impact of user preference aspect of CAV (e.g. aggressiveness setting) on non-CAV traffic

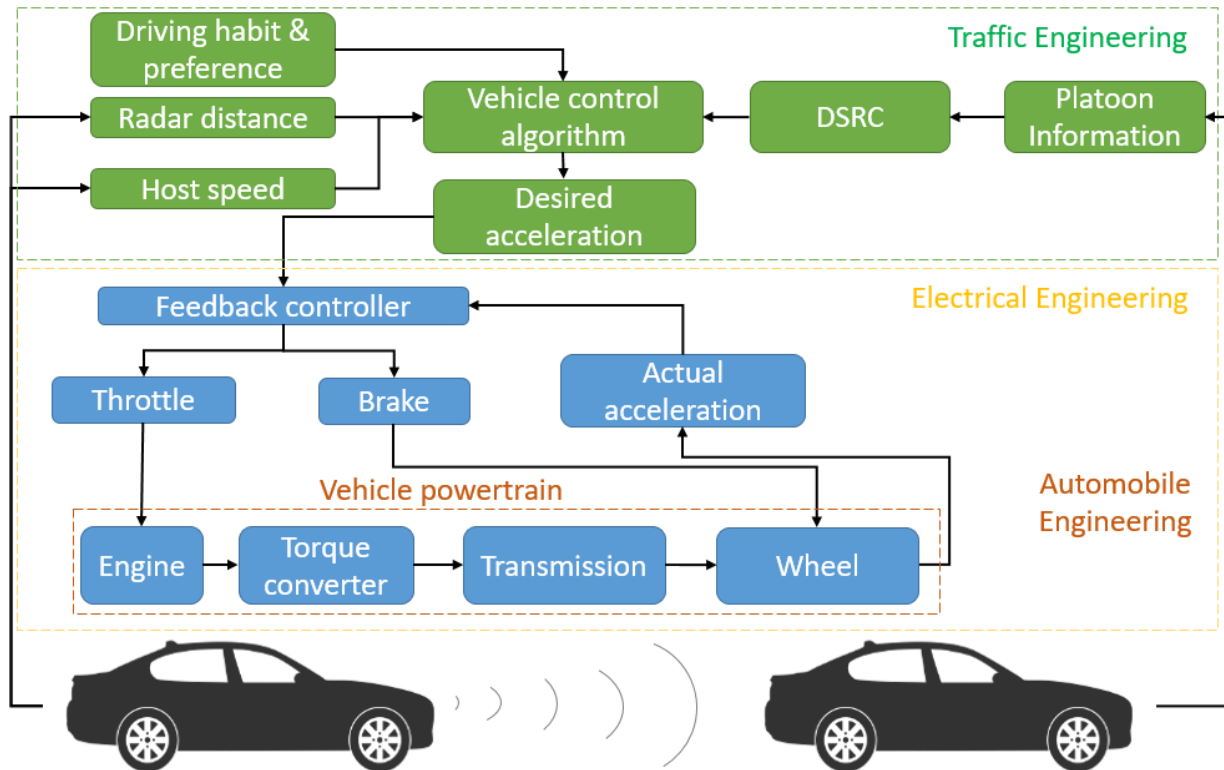
<p>THW14</p> <p>Distance between vehicles in platoons: 1.4 s.</p>	
<p>THW03</p> <p>Distance between vehicles in platoons: 0.3 s.</p>	

Driving next to a CACC platoon
(source: Gouy et al. 2014)

(Potential funding agencies: NSF-CIS, FHWA)



Multidisciplinary Nature of CAV





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Managed Lane Throughput

