Group 8 - Artemis

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Proposed Feature Enhancement

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Introduction

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• Proposing an enhancement of the Apollo architecture

• SAAM Analysis

• Effects of the enhancement on Apollo

• Test plan and risk analysis

New Feature Overview

Guardian

• Enhancing Guardian's stopping scenarios

Cache previous data from other subsystems

• Attempt to bring the vehicle to a stop in a safer way

• Stopping method based on the module failure

Motivation

Guardian stops car when a module fails

Safety concerns

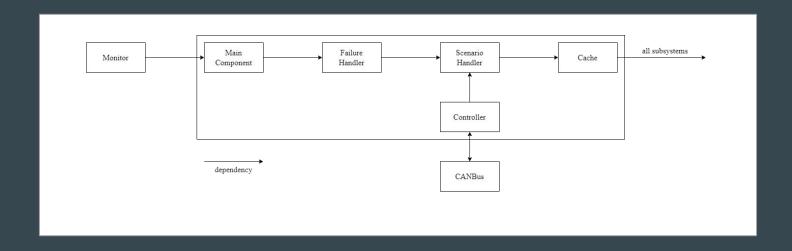
• Stopping in traffic

• Room for improvement

Alternatives Considered

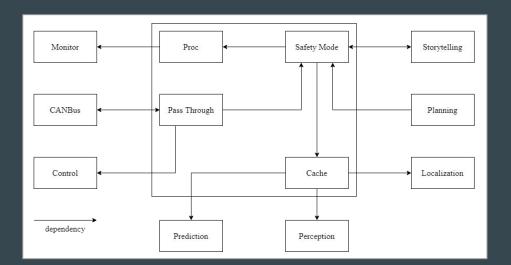
Approach A

- Object oriented architectural style
- Caching data from all subsystems in Apollo
- Different stopping scenarios based on failure reason



Approach B

- Publish-Subscribe architectural style
- Caching data from Localization, Perception, and Prediction
- Stopping scenario based on risk level of failure
- Attempt to create a new trajectory to bring the car to a stop



SAAM Analysis

SAAM Analysis - Stakeholders

Stakeholder	Most important NFRs regarding the enhancement	
Driver	Performance: The new enhancement should bring better performance in most cases. Usability: Car should inform the user of what action it's performing. Safety: Movements should be as smooth as possible.	
Safety Evaluators	Safety: The car needs to choose the safest way to stop.	
Module Programmers	Testability: The module should be programmed in such a way that it can be tested in a safe environment and/or virtually. The programmers are also looking for a testing environment that is easy to maintain and modify. Maintainability: The module should be easy to maintain, especially when new modules are added that the guardian needs to check.	
Insurers	Robustness: The approach to choosing a stopping plan must work in extreme or abnormal conditions. Safety: The car should avoid accidents as much as possible.	

SAAM Analysis - Attri<u>butes</u>

Attribute	Approach A	Approach B
Performance: This approach should have a low response time when dealing with many inputs from its environment and handling failures in different challenging weather and traffic conditions.	Low. This approach chooses from many plans depending on which module fails and is slower compared to the other approach, due to the bottleneck in the failure handler.	High This approach requires only selecting from three different plans, which is much quicker and effective enough in all different situations.
Safety: This approach needs to identify errors, avoid accidents, notify users in dangerous situations, and allow users to take control when the system malfunctions.	Moderate. This approach uses information on which module failed to choose the safest way to stop, allowing many options for each error. However, because of its huge depository, it may be too slow when the accident happens.	Moderate. This approach uses the risk level to choose the safest way to stop, which can reduce the risk drastically: the higher the risk level, the less chance of making an unsafe decision. However, there is a lack of preparation for some extreme situations.
Maintainability: This enhancement should be easily maintained by developers.	Low. This approach has to deal with every subsystem, is tedious to maintain, and has a high time cost.	High. This approach only has to deal with three risk levels, which is much easier for the developers.
Robustness: This approach must work properly under adverse conditions.	High. This approach has an individual plan for each module failure scenario, which allows it to be really flexible and could be working in all different situations, making it robust.	Moderate. This approach uses three different plans for all situations and works in most cases. However, due to the lack of options, sometimes a plan for each risk level may not be the best method in this scenario.
Testability: In this approach, every scenario should be easily testable.	Low. This approach needs to be tested for each scenario and subsystem. In other words, a huge amount of resources is needed to cover every environment, making it hard to test.	High. This approach has only three main scenarios (low, medium, and high risk), which groups up subsystems that are impacted by each risk level. This allows an efficient and easy environment for testing as the enhancement of Guardian and the failure of other subsystems are grouped up in different risk levels.

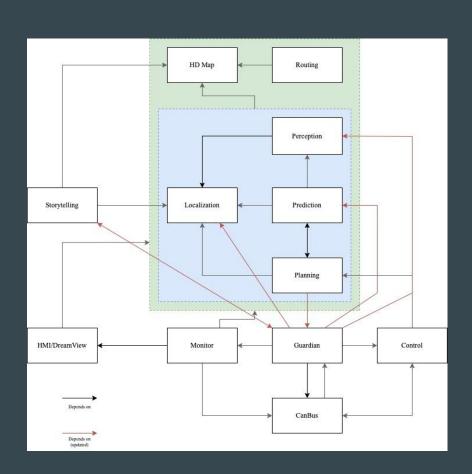
Conceptual Architecture Changes

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• 5 new dependencies added to the conceptual architecture

 Guardian now subscribes to Prediction, Localization, Perception, and Storytelling

 Storytelling and Planning subscribe to Guardian



Risks and Limitations

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Unreliable safety of stopping trajectory

Computation latency

Availability

Potential data transfer bottleneck

Testing Plan

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• Low Risk Use Case: Sub-test cases for each low risk stopping scenario. Ensure car completes the stop it was supposed to

 Medium Risk Use Case: Test accuracy and safety of cached data from failed subsystem

 High Risk Use Case: Similar to original Guardian testing, ensure car comes to complete stop when critical modules fail

Concurrency

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Concurrency of several functionalities

Caching data from other subsystems

Passing through Control signals

• Scanning for module failures

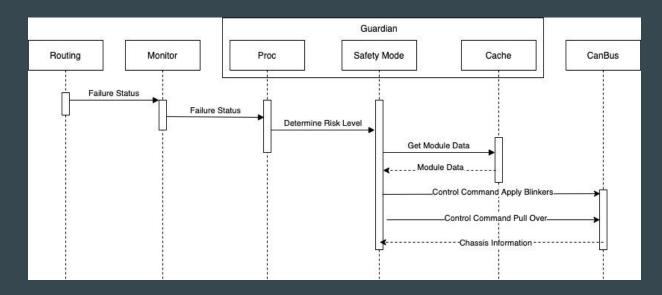
Use Case - Low Risk Emergency Stop

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• Routing module failure

Failure status detected by Guardian

Low risk assessed



Stopping trajectory generated by SafetyMode

Use Case - Medium Risk Emergency Stop

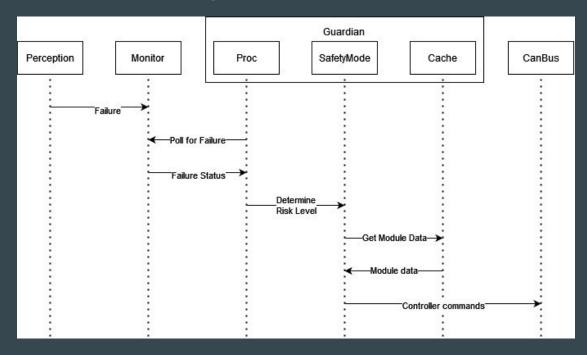
Use Case - Medium Risk Emergency Stop

• Perception module failure

• Failure status detected by Guardian

Medium risk assessed

 Stopping trajectory generated by SafetyMode using cached data



Lessons Learned and Limitations

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• Little reference material for new enhancement

Enhancing a subsystem with little existing functionality

Completing a SAAM analysis

Conclusion

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Proposed enhancement to Guardian functionalities

• SAAM Analysis performed to pick best alternative

• Impacts on the architecture and testing

Use cases and lessons learned