Legislators are making renewed efforts to officially pass a bill to federally regulate autonomous vehicles (AVs). While AVs are generally lauded for their innovation and potential to revolutionize not only transportation, but society at large, (a belief I too strongly support), I think it’s worth scrutinizing the necessity of such vehicles. Are they really what we need as a society? What exactly are they intended to improve? Realistically, who will they benefit? These questions may not have calculable answers, however, from what I’ve gathered from some medium-heavy investigation, is that they may not solve, or at least may not be better than, the problems we currently have (i.e. human error in driving, lack of sustainability, traffic, parking lot space etc.). And more than that, even with the potential to resolve these issues, they may not be affordable for most of the population, making their presence untenable.