

Distributed Road Traffic Speed Monitoring

An EE4-T Final Year Project

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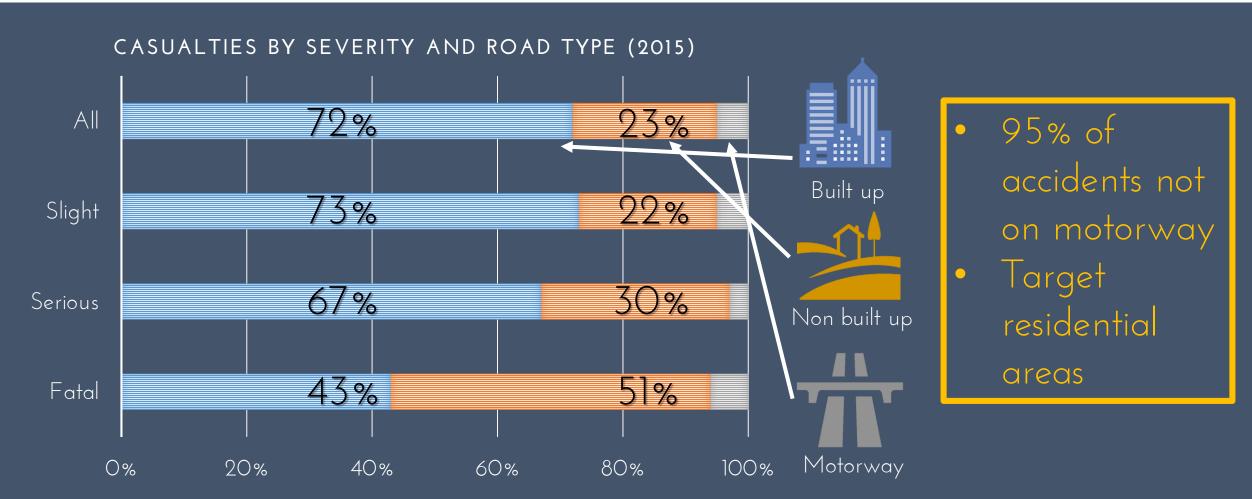
At a glance...



- Implementation based project
- Catch speeding motorists using a camera and Raspberry Pi
- Existing license plate recognition (LPR) technologies
- New peer to peer network (P2P)
- No government controlled central server
- Social posting
- Motivation / Specification / High Level Design / Implementation and Testing / Demo / Evaluation and Conclusion



Motivation - Accident areas



Motivation - Fixed point speed cameras

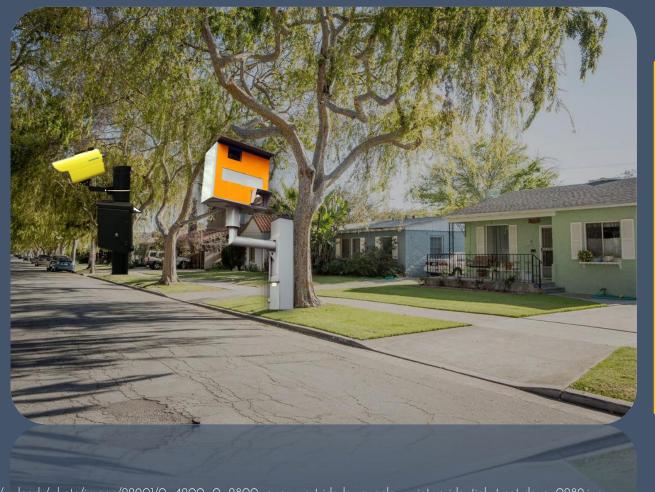




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- Detrimental to streetscape
- Prefer discreet appearance
- Only take speed at a point
- Easily fooled

Motivation - Average speed cameras





Motivation - Existing license plate cameras







- Hard to buy for general public
- >£ 1000

Motivation - Summary



New system should:

- Provide average speed check
- Target general public
- Priced reasonably
- Not aim to directly ticket offender
- Use as evidence and leverage for demands



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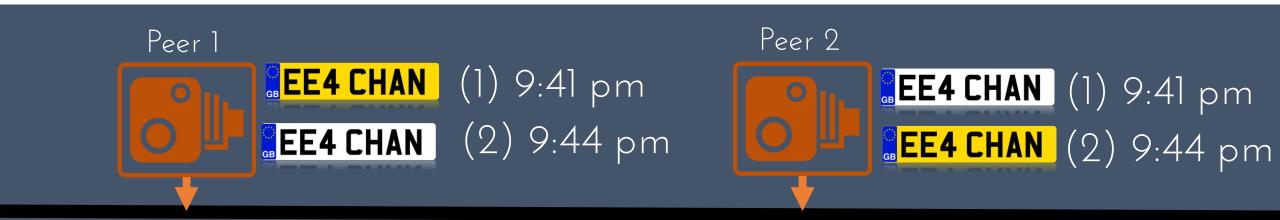


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Envisioned System

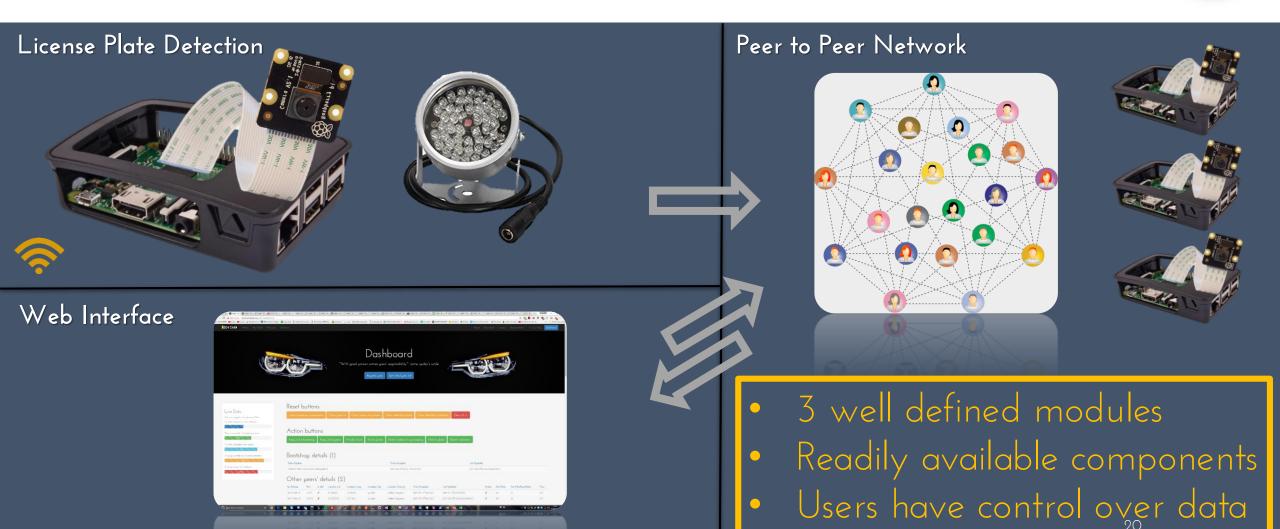


Yellow - locally detected White - peer detected



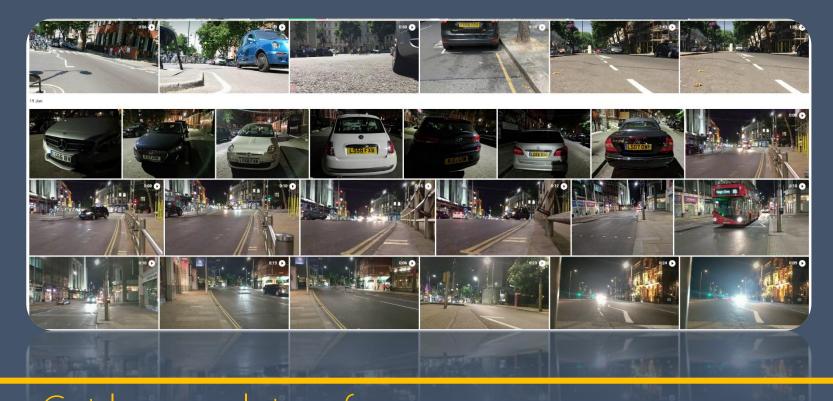
High Level Design





License Plate Recognition - Aim





- Get license plates of cars
- Function in multiple angles and lighting conditions



Store videos locally using motion detection

Process videos when idle Detect license plates using OpenALPR

 Multiple parameters for tweaking

- OpenALPR computationally expensive
- Buffer videos
- Survive busy periods and power outages

Extract unique plates

 Consecutive frames will likely be the same car Store plates with metadata in database

- Time
- Location

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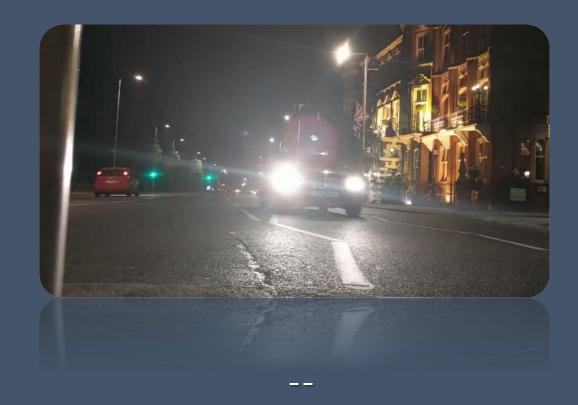


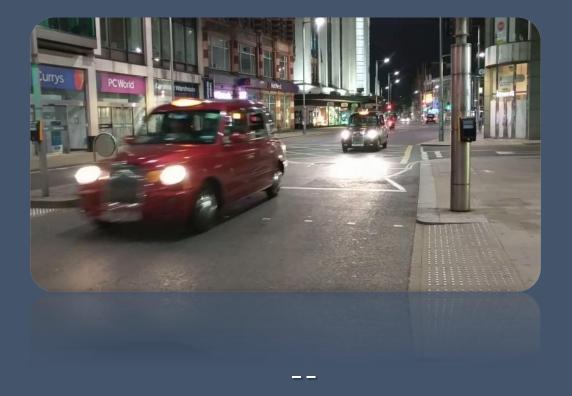










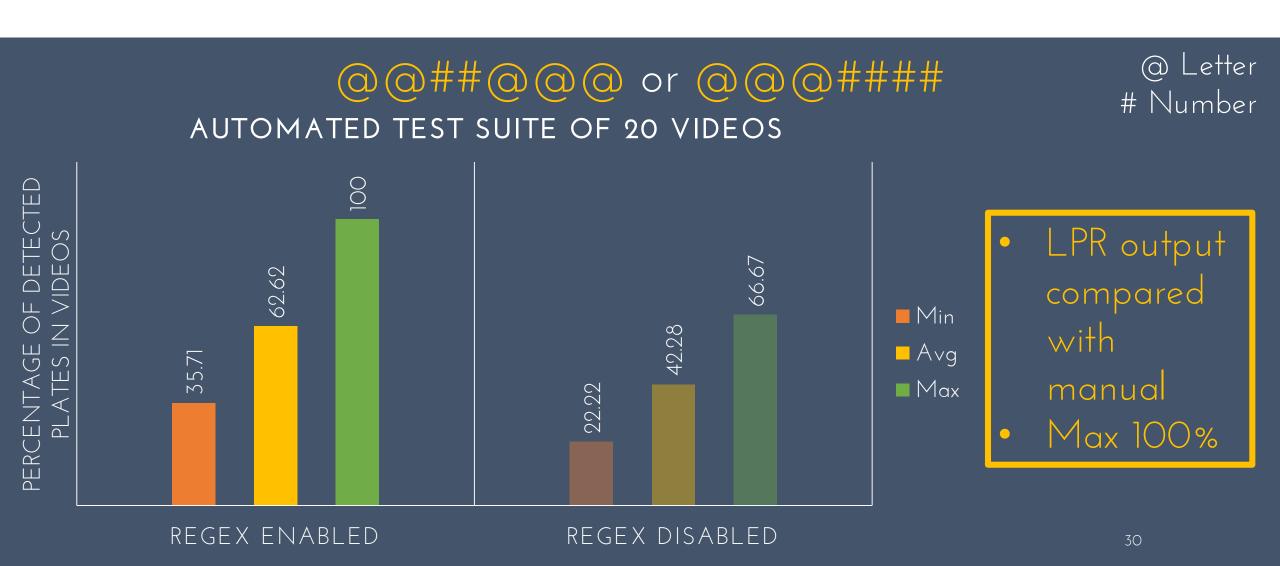








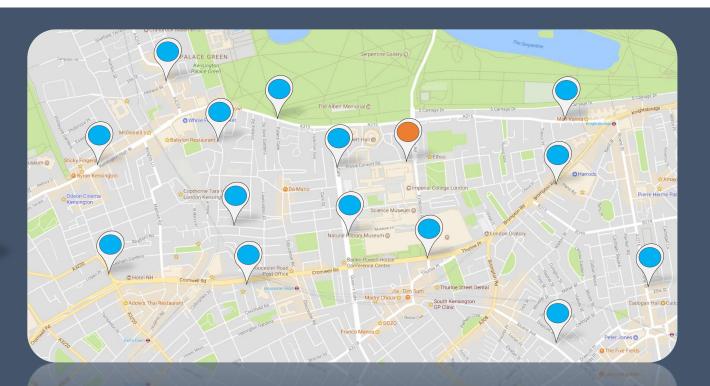




Peer to Peer Network - Aim







- Transmit detected plates to other peers
- Work out average speed between peer locations

Peer to Peer Network - Design





- P2P on top of web server
- Tried, tested, scalable web framework
- Most security issues taken care of

Peer to Peer Network - Network transactions



Register*

Get list of peers

Keep alive

Send plates

Detect violations

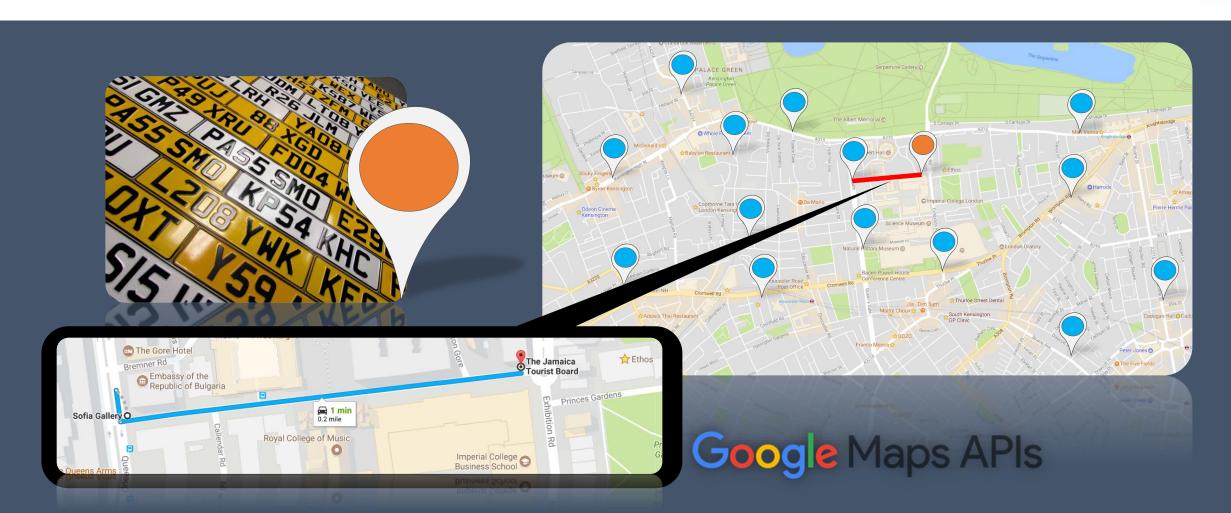
Modify trust of peer

- Bootstrap the network
- Maintain the network
- Security issues

^{*)} Requires central server

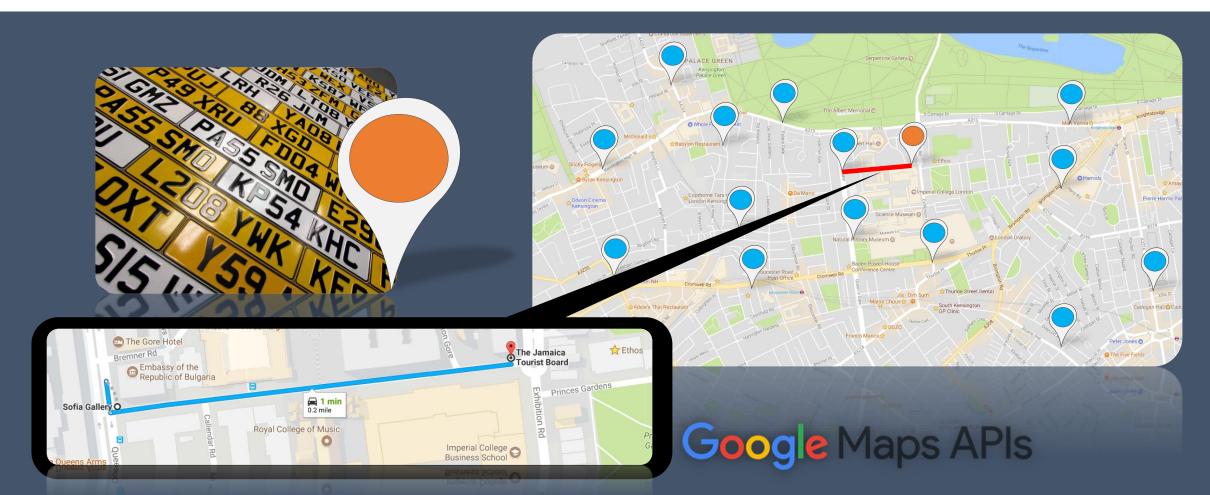
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Peer to Peer Network - Server



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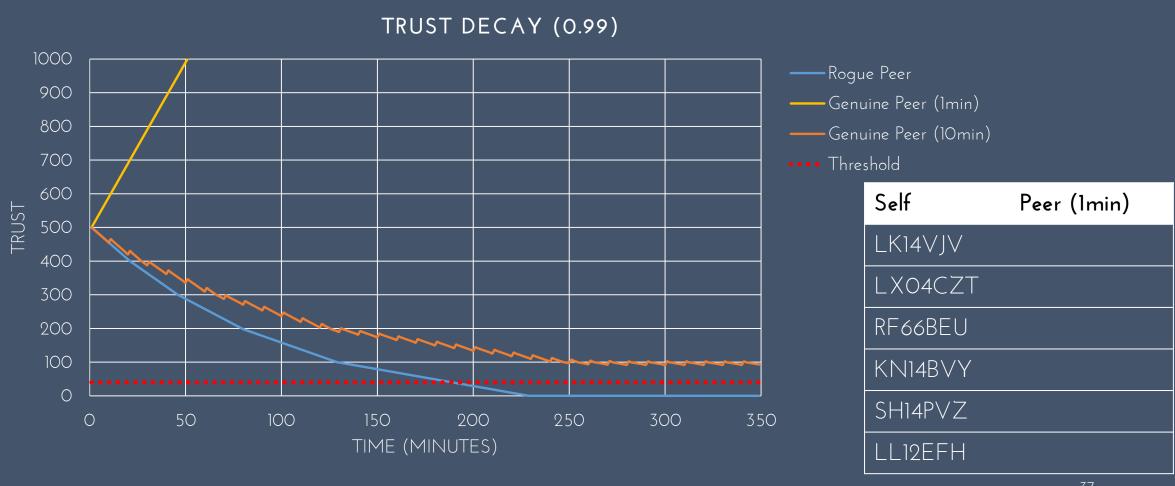
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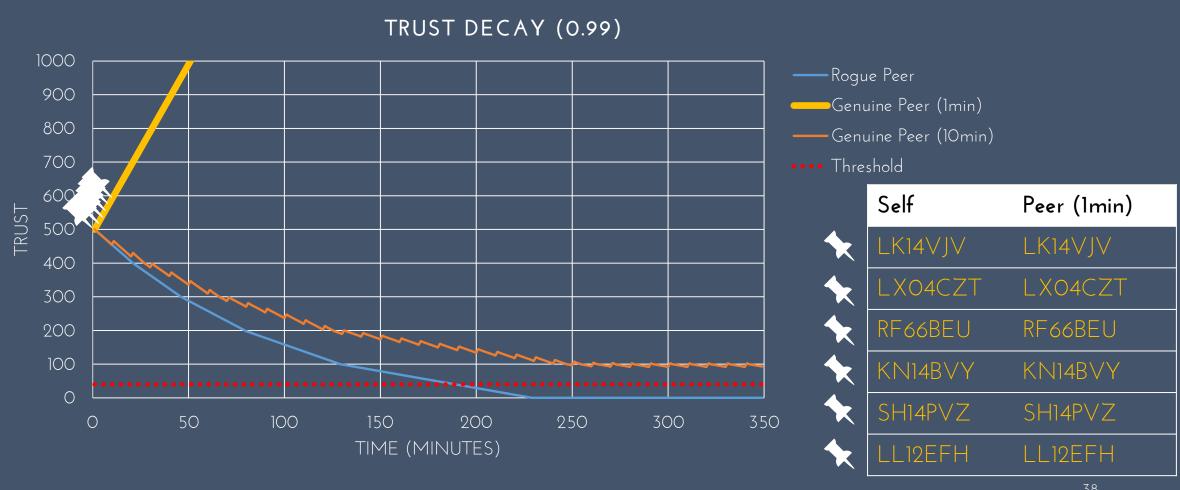
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- Unique ID authentication
- Local encryption



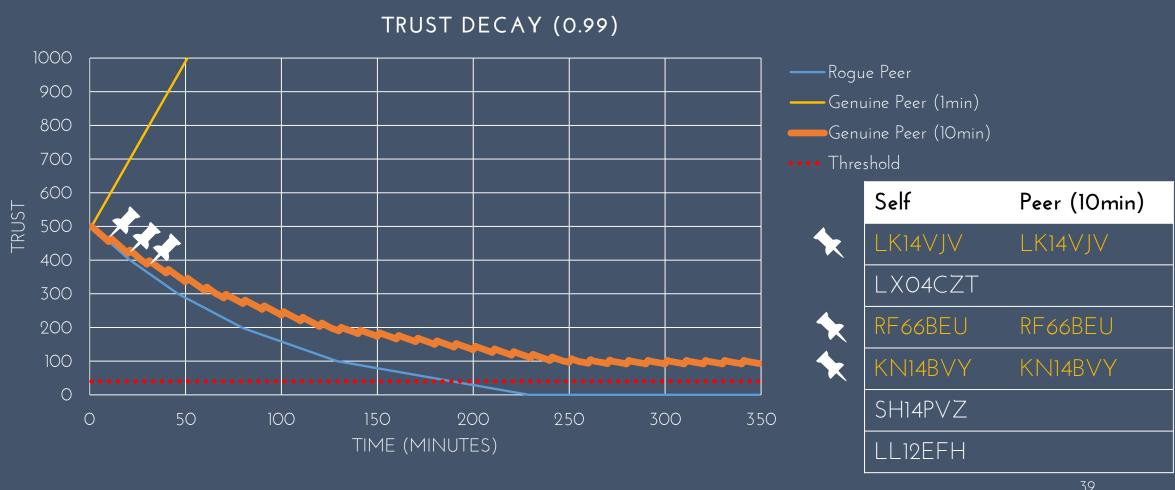




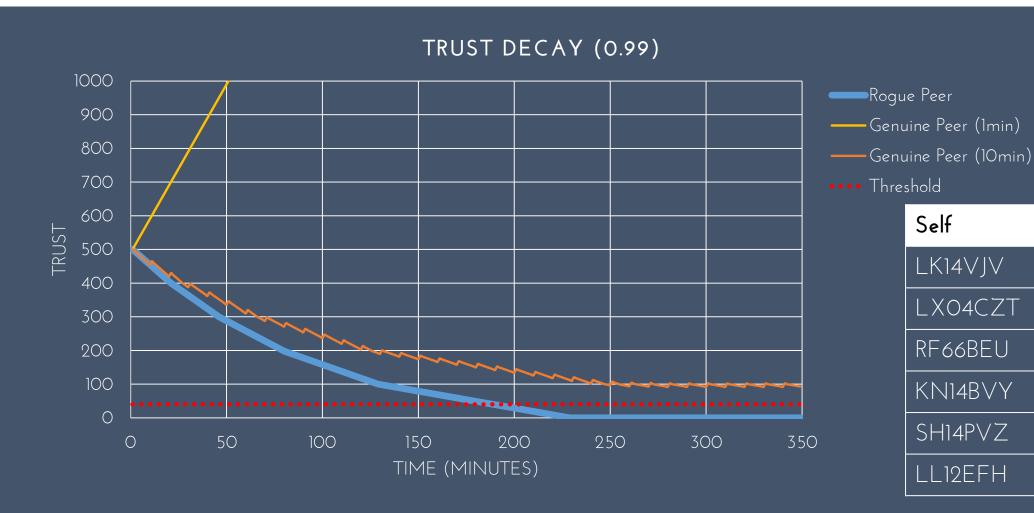












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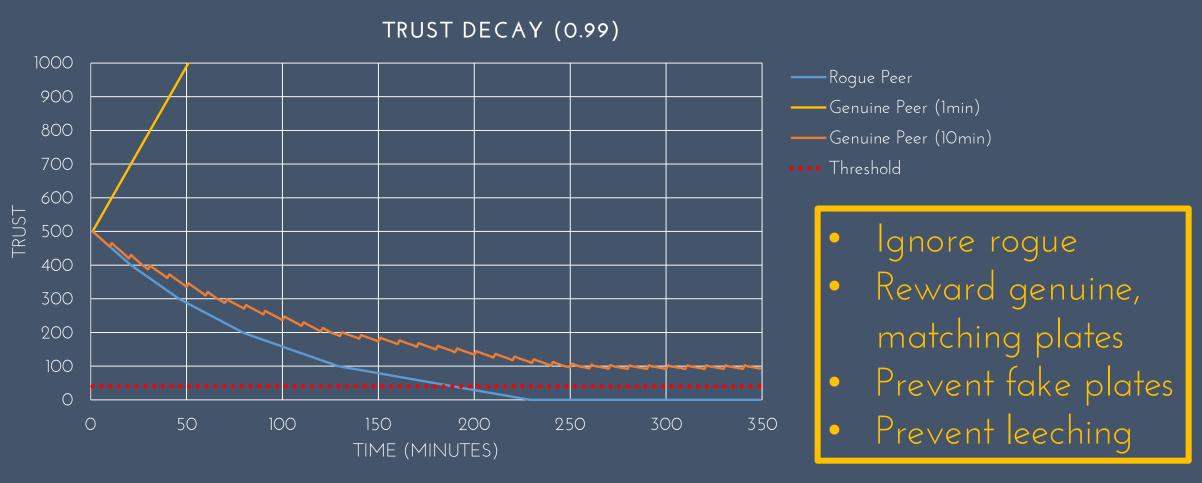
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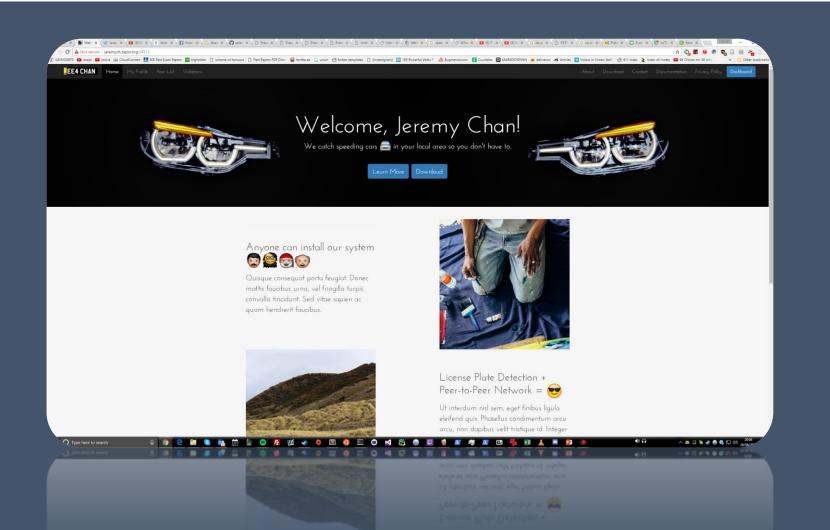
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Web Interface - Aim





- What the user sees
- Dashboard to control network
- Post detected violations on social networks

Demo



Modifications

- 1. Pre-recorded video
- 2. Live motion detection unused

Evaluation





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All main deliverables achieved

^{*)} Except when bootstrapping

Evaluation







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All but 1 advanced deliverable achieved

Conclusion



- Challenging project
- · Very open ended on implementation
- Usable immediately

- Revisit performance and night time issues with LPR
- Consider refactoring P2P to be standalone
- Scalability test, overnight test

Thank you



http://github.com/jeremych1000/ee4-FYP/

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