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An Overview of Security in Connected and Autonomous Vehicles

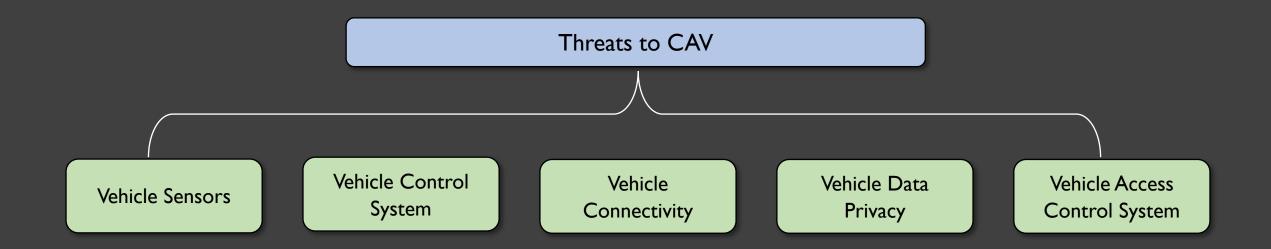
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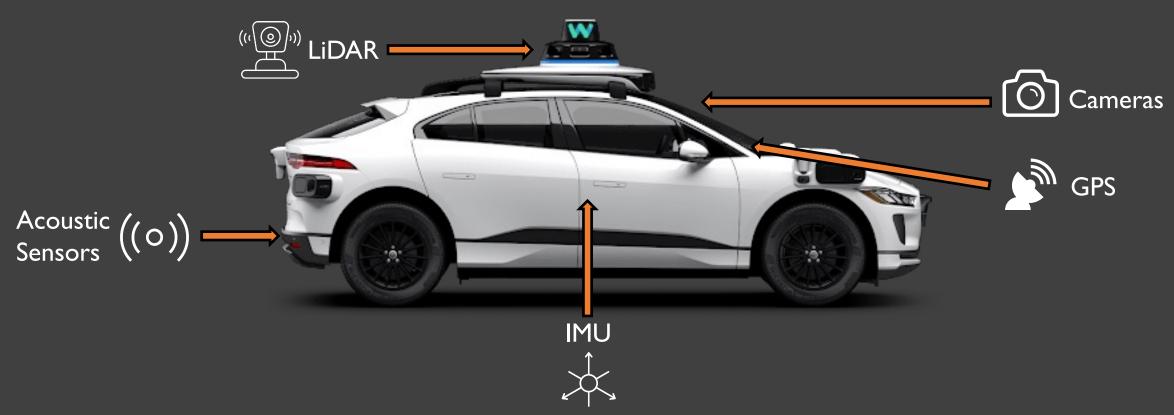


## Taxonomy



## Threats to Vehicle Sensors

CAVs are highly complex and interconnected systems that often involve many sensors

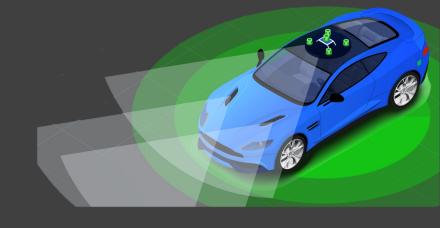


### GPS Attacks

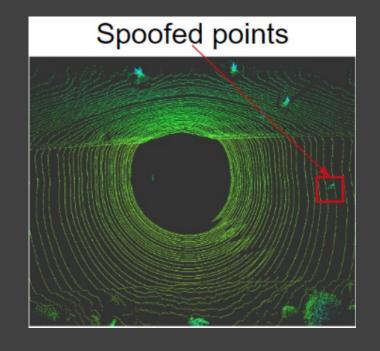


- Categorized as:
  - Jamming
  - Spoofing
- Poses a serious threat to the security and reliability of CAV's localization and can cause vehicles to drift off course and potentially lead to accidents.

## LiDAR Attacks



- Vulnerable to spoofing attacks of the device's laser pulses which can be launched from nearby devices.
- Crafting signal perturbations in LiDAR to induce false obstacle alerts [Ca19].
  - Mitigation using physical invariants to detect these anomalies.



## Camera Attacks



- CAV cameras gather visual data for spatial perception.
- Threats:
  - Readily available light sources can compromise camera function.
  - Risks include blinding' and rapid on-off' attacks, disrupting safe operation.
- Image Manipulation:
  - Malicious inputs can deceive CAV's DNN-based image classification.
  - Adhesive overlays trick neural networks, causing misdetection and potential crashes [Sa21].



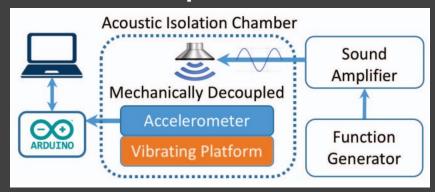
- Acoustic Attacks:
  - Directed acoustic waves blur images, affecting object detection.

## **IMU** Attacks

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- IMUs measure vehicle dynamics using accelerometers, gyroscopes, and magnetometers in CAVs.
- Accelerometers assist Electronic Stability Control (ESC) in maintaining vehicle control.
- Vulnerability:
  - Sonic attacks on MEMS accelerometers [Tr17].

• Potential compromised response from ESC, leading to

instability.



## Maneuver Attacks



- Shift in Focus from Sensor Manipulation to Systemic Vulnerabilities.
- Introduction of Methodology to Detect Adversarial Driving Maneuvers [So23].



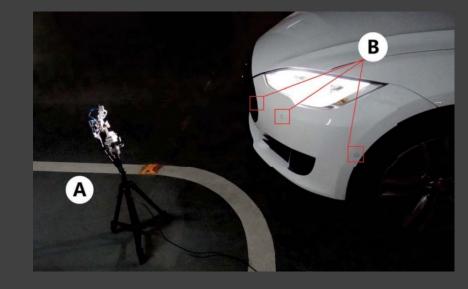
• Uncovering Inherent Weaknesses in Data Interpretation by the System.

## Acoustic Sensor Attacks



 Ultrasonic Sensors Susceptible to Jamming & Spoofing [Xu18]

 Voice Assistants Vulnerable to Hidden Commands [Zh I 7].

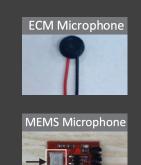


Ultrasonic Speaker

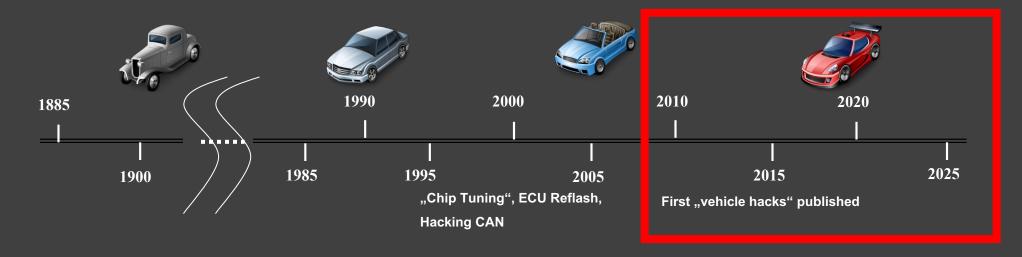
Device

Signal Source

**Power Amplifier** 



## Threats to In-Vehicle Networks



First-Generation Attacks (~2010-2015)

CAN injection attacks requiring physical interface (OBD-II connector)

Second-Generation Attacks (~2015-2020)

Remote attacks leveraging vulnerabilities in IVI and TCU

Third-Generation Attacks (~2020-?)

Remote attacks leveraging third-party apps on IVIs

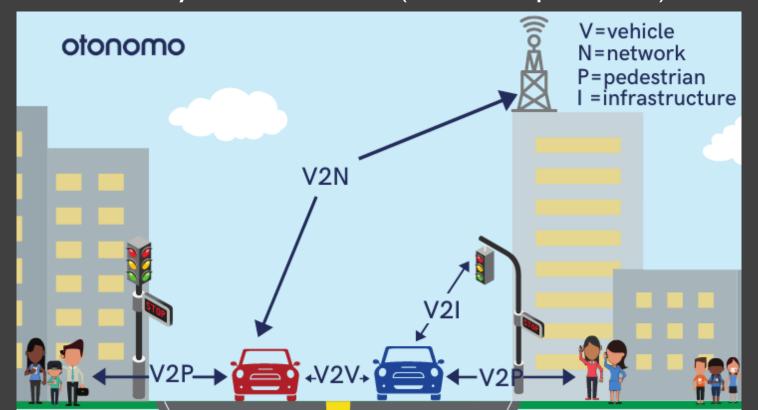
Risk / Damage Potential

Limited Attacks

Large-Scale Attacks

## V2X: Vehicle-to-Everything Communication

- V2X enables communication between vehicles, infrastructure, and pedestrians.
- Cellular or short-range networks support this communication.
- Goal: Improve road safety via shared info (location, speed, etc.).



## V2X Security Concerns



- External vs. Internal Attacks: BSM security robust against outsiders, but compromised vehicle units pose a threat.
- 5G Vulnerabilities: Expanded attack surface, especially at network edges.
- **DoS Threats:** Jeopardizing CAV availability, potential for communication lags.
- Forged Messages: Misleading vehicles into harmful decisions.
- Infrastructure Risks: Traffic systems, like I-SIG, vulnerable to spoofing.

## Threats to User-Data



#### Hyper-Connected IoT Platform

 Vulnerabilities and complexities of CAVs due to mobility and constant location-based service connections.

#### Data Sharing Concerns

- Data transferred to multiple stakeholders like car manufacturers and insurance companies.
- Privacy concerns for CAV users.

#### Research Findings

- Drivers can be distinguished using pre-trip vehicle sensor data from the CAN bus [Ka17].
- Driver re-identification using CAN messages without reverseengineering the protocol [Re19].
- Privacy issues in Android Automotive part of third-generation attack [Pe23].







- Active Key Entry Attacks: Vulnerability to relay attacks with traditional fobs.
  - Solutions: Distance bounding protocols, rolling codes.
- Passive Key Entry System Attacks: Relay attacks, cryptographic flaws, and jamming.
  - Solutions: Challenge-response authentication.
- Smartphone Digital Key Attacks: Risks from malware, compromised communication, phishing.
  - Solutions: UWB, robust app security, encryption, 2-factor authentication.

### Conclusion

- Comprehensive study of security and privacy in CAVs.
- Classification of threats based on attack surfaces.
- IoT integration heightens vulnerabilities.
- Criticality of proper authentication: Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA) as a key approach.
- Balance between technological advancement, privacy, and safety is vital for a secure transportation future.

# Q & A

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