Introduction to Intelligent Vehicles [13. Certification]

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Certification

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➤ "The procedure by which an authorized person or agency assesses and verifies characteristics of a system or product in accordance with established requirements, standards, or regulations." [Cofer '13]

Motivations

- Provide a proof of quality
- > Enhance customers' confidence
- Reduce companies' liability (?)
- Prove the fulfillment of governments' regulations

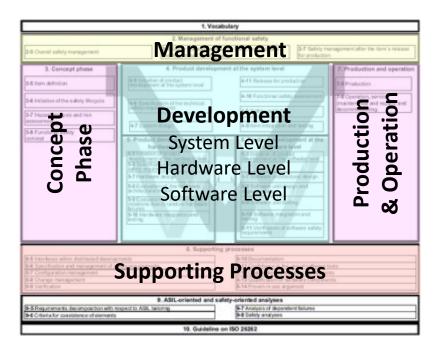
☐ Current status of automotive certification

It has been well practiced in the domains of aviation and medical devices, but not so much for automotive systems



ISO 26262

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Automotive Safety Integrity Level (1/2)

- ☐ Severity Classifications (S)
 - > S0: no injuries
 - > S1: light to moderate injuries
 - > S2: severe to life-threatening (survival probable) injuries
 - > S3: life-threatening (survival uncertain) to fatal injuries
- Exposure Classifications (E)
 - ➤ E0: incredibly unlikely
 - ➤ E1: very low probability
 - Injury could happen only in rare operating conditions
 - > E2: low probability
 - > E3: medium probability
 - > E4: high probability
 - Injury could happen under most operating conditions

Automotive Safety Integrity Level (2/2)

- ☐ Controllability Classifications (C)
 - > C0: Controllable in general
 - > C1: Simply controllable
 - > C2: Normally controllable (most drivers could act to prevent injury)
 - > C3: Difficult to control or uncontrollable
- ☐ ASIL Level D
 - > S3 + E4 + C3
- \square ASIL Level D \rightarrow ASIL Level C \rightarrow ASIL Level B \rightarrow ASIL Level A
 - In general, for each single reduction in any one classification, there is a single level reduction in the ASIL
- \square ASIL Level A \rightarrow QM
 - ➤ No safety relevance
 - > Only standard Quality Management processes required

Examples

□ Hardware level

- > During hardware design, "simulation" is recommended for ASILs C and D
- Work products: verification plan, specification, and report

■ Software level

- During software unit design and implementation, some software structures are NOT recommended for ASIL D
 - Dynamic objects and variables
 - Multiple uses of variable names
 - Implicit type conversions
 - Unconditional jumps
 - Recursions
- ➤ Work products: software unit design specification, software unit implementation, and software verification report

Limitations and Short Summary

☐ Limitations

- > The standard plans to but not yet consider connectivity and autonomy
- ➤ There is no enforcement from governments or strong push from customers
- ➤ Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) do not have access to suppliers' confidential information
 - Any certification protocol?
- > Process-based certification vs. product-based certification

Summary

- ➤ ISO 26262 is recognized as the state-of-the-art standard for **functional safety** of automotive systems
- > It can provide some guidelines for the legislation of law and regulation

Certification Protocol: Motivation

- □ A potential conflict between certification issuers (e.g., OEM) and software suppliers (developers)
 - ➤ A certification process represents a systematic way to inspect the source codes
 - > Some source codes of software suppliers (developers) are confidential
- Desired properties
 - > Authenticity
 - Only authenticated results from compilers and analysis tools (verification, simulation, and/or testing) are considered by the certification issuers
 - Confidentiality
 - Sensitive source codes of the software suppliers and developers are not released to certification issuers

Certification Protocol: Example

☐ Trusted third-party

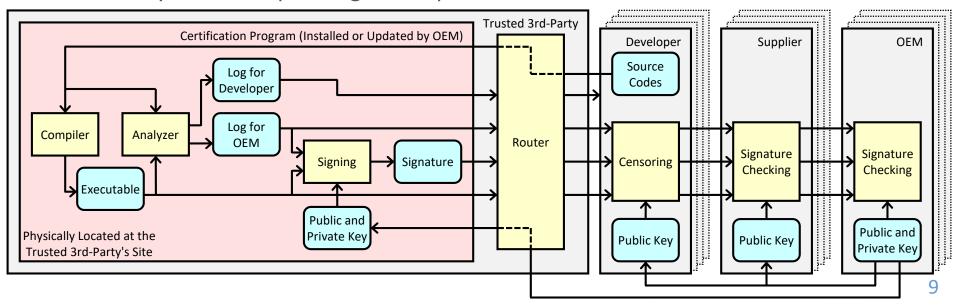
- > Run a certification program which consists of a compiler and an analyzer
- Maintain a router which controls the input and the output

Certification program

- ➤ All of the compiler, the analyzer, and the private key are updated by the OEM
- > The updating process must be unidirectional to guarantee confidentiality

Router

Only the corresponding developer can be the receiver



Q&A