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**SMART**MOBILITY

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# Definition of Connected and Automated Vehicle (CAV) Concepts for Evaluation

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# PROJECT OVERVIEW

## Timeline

- Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
- 35% complete

## Barriers Addressed

- Understanding CAV system capabilities
- Estimating energy impacts of CAVs over time

## Budget

- \$50 K, FY 17 only

## Partners

- LBNL lead
- Contributions from other DOE SMART Mobility Labs: ANL, ORNL, NREL, INL

# RELEVANCE/ OBJECTIVES

- To have common definitions so people working throughout DOE SMART Mobility can understand each other (talking about the same thing)
  - Avoid vague and misleading terminology
  - Avoid confusion and misunderstanding
- So analyses conducted by researchers in different Pillars and different labs can be compared “apples to apples”
  - Comparable assumptions about system functionalities
  - Comparable assumptions about deployment timing
- Define representative use cases to facilitate comparisons
  - Avoiding unnecessary duplications or overlaps

# APPROACH

- Define dimensions of the CAV space
  - Connected vehicles (CV) without automation
  - Driving Automation System dimensions:
    - Connected vs. Unconnected (autonomous)
    - SAE Levels of Automation (driver vs. system roles)
    - Operational Design Domain (ODD)
  - Other attributes:
    - Vehicle class
    - Powertrain technology
    - Business models to govern operations
- Define example concept packages for study
- Estimate timing of market introduction and growth

# TECHNICAL PROGRESS AS OF APRIL

- CAV Concept Dimensions defined and reviewed and updated with CAV Pillar partner lab inputs
- Example concept packages (use cases) defined and reviewed and updated with CAV Pillar partner lab inputs

# CONNECTED VEHICLE (CV) SYSTEMS WITHOUT AUTOMATION

- Independent features, with limited coupling between them – can be analyzed individually:
  - V2V cooperative collision warnings
  - V2I/I2V cooperative intersection collision warnings
  - I2V speed advisories
  - V2V cooperative driving information
  - V2I/I2V route planning, parking information and reservations (eco-routing)
  - I2V local traffic signal phase and timing information (eco-signal control, signal priority requests)

# DRIVING AUTOMATION SYSTEMS – KEY DIMENSIONS (CLOSELY COUPLED FOR IMPACT ESTIMATION)

- Connected or Unconnected (Cooperative vs. Autonomous)
- SAE Levels of Automation  
([http://standards.sae.org/j3016\\_201609/](http://standards.sae.org/j3016_201609/))
  - L0: No sustained automation, no change in driver role
  - L1: Driver Assistance (lateral OR longitudinal control)
  - L2: Partial Automation (lateral AND longitudinal control under continuous driver supervision)
  - L3: Conditional Automation (lateral AND longitudinal control plus object and event detection and response, driver fallback)
  - L4: High Automation (automation of all dynamic driving task functions, but limited to within an Operational Design Domain (ODD))
- Operational Design Domain

# OPERATIONAL DESIGN DOMAIN (ODD)

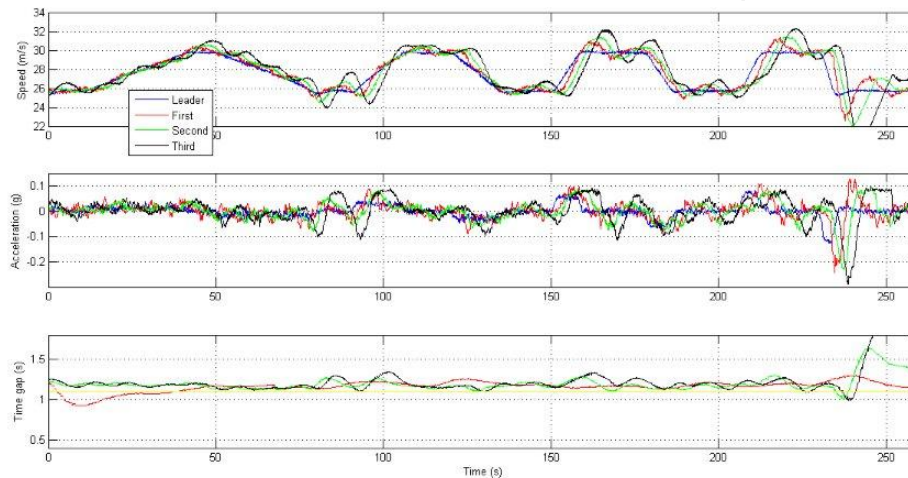
The specific conditions under which a given driving automation system or feature thereof is designed to function, including:

- Roadway type
- Traffic conditions and speed range
- Geographic location (within boundaries of digital map)
- Weather and lighting conditions
- Availability of necessary supporting infrastructure features
- Condition of pavement markings and signage
- Ability to cope with anomalies or foreign objects
- (and potentially more...)

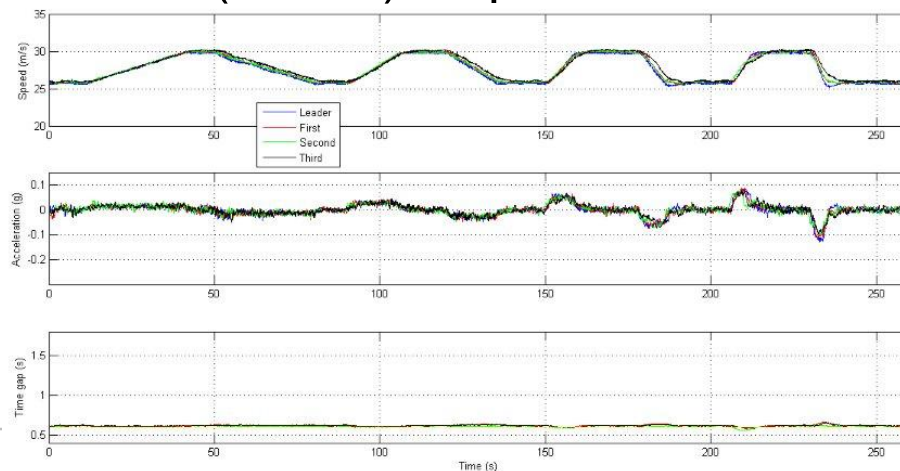


# EXAMPLE OF IMPORTANCE OF CONNECTIVITY TO PERFORMANCE

- Production autonomous ACC response (4 vehicles):



- Cooperative ACC (CACC) response to same disturbance:



# VEHICLE CLASSES

- Passenger
  - Ultralight (1-2 passengers)
  - Light Duty (3-9 passenger capacity)
  - Medium Duty (10-20 passengers)
  - Heavy Duty (full-size buses)
- Freight
  - Ultralight (few kilogram capacity)
  - Light Duty (Class 1-3 trucks)
  - Medium Duty (Class 4-6 trucks)
  - Heavy Duty (Class 7-8 trucks)

# POWERTRAIN TECHNOLOGIES

- Largely decoupled from the other dimensions for analysis:
  - Gasoline
  - Diesel
  - Natural gas
  - Hydrogen fuel cell
  - Hybrid gasoline or diesel
  - Plug-in hybrid
  - Battery electric
  - Externally-supplied electricity (catenary or inductive)

# BUSINESS MODELS

- Private ownership and use
- Short-term rental / car-share (Zipcar, Getaround, Car2Go, etc.)
- Transportation network company (TNC = Uber, Lyft, conventional taxi, etc.)
- Public transit-like (fixed or semi-fixed route & timetable, possibly with first/last-mile capability)
- Private goods delivery
- Common carrier goods delivery

# EXAMPLE CONCEPTS RECOMMENDED FOR STUDY (1/2)

- I2V cooperative eco-driving support (L0)
- Laterally guided bus on busway (L1)
- Highly automated bus on busway (L4)
- Semi-fixed route automated shuttle (L4)
- First-generation low-speed automated urban taxi (L4)
- Advanced automated taxi (L4)
- Basic truck platooning (L1)
- Advanced truck platooning (L1 leader, L3/L4 followers)

# EXAMPLE CONCEPTS RECOMMENDED FOR STUDY (2/2)

- Low-speed urban goods distribution robot (L4)
- Cooperative ACC or platooning for passenger cars (L1)
- Urban eco-signal control with I2V signal information (L1)
- Urban freeway automated driving (L4)
- Intercity freeway automated driving (L4)
- Automated highway system (L4 in dedicated, segregated lanes)

# COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS

- LBNL initially defines draft document on each topic
- Circulate draft among CAV Pillar lab representatives for comments and discuss in conference call
  - ANL (lead), ORNL, NREL, INL
- Update draft based on inputs received
- Circulate to other DOE SMART Mobility Pillar representatives for their review and use
  - Mobility Decision Science (LBNL lead)
  - Urban Science (NREL lead)
  - Multi-modal (ORNL lead)
  - Vehicles and Infrastructure (INL lead)

# RESPONSES TO PREVIOUS YEAR REVIEWERS' COMMENTS

- New start – no previous year comments



# REMAINING WORK: ESTIMATING TIMING OF AVAILABILITY

- Impacts depend on a sequence of actions, with significant time lags at each step:
  - Initial availability based on technical feasibility, safety
  - Rate of growth among new vehicle market
  - Potential for retrofits into existing vehicles
  - Turnover of full vehicle fleet
  - Actual utilization by drivers/travelers using equipped vehicles
- Historical data from prior vehicle technology changes provide initial guidance on lag times

# NEXT STEPS (BALANCE OF FY17)

- Definition of estimates of timing for availability of **each** example concept, considering large uncertainties:
  - Study years 2030, 2040, 2050
  - Low, medium and high market penetration assumptions in each year for sensitivity studies
- Outreach to researchers in other pillars for their use in DOE SMART Mobility studies

# SUMMARY

- Basic dimensions for characterizing connected and automated vehicle (CAV) systems have been defined
- Example use cases (or concepts) have been defined as a basis for evaluation studies
- Estimates of fast, medium and slow deployment profiles for each example concept are in process
- Outreach beyond CAV Pillar to other DOE SMART Mobility Pillars will follow, to seek consistency across studies

# QUESTIONS?