



CPS: Frontier: VeHICaL: Verified Human Interfaces, Control, and Learning for Semi-Autonomous Systems

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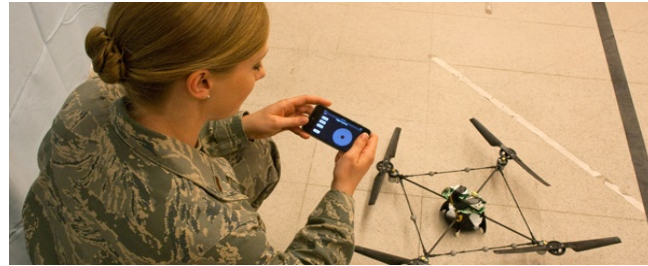
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Design of Human Cyber-Physical Systems (h-CPS)

CPS that operate in concert with humans



Semi-Autonomous Driving



UAVs with Human Operators



Robotic Surgery & Medicine ...and other applications.



Project Goal: To develop a **science of verified co-design** of **controllers** for semi-autonomous cyber-physical systems and **interfaces** between **humans** and cyber-physical components

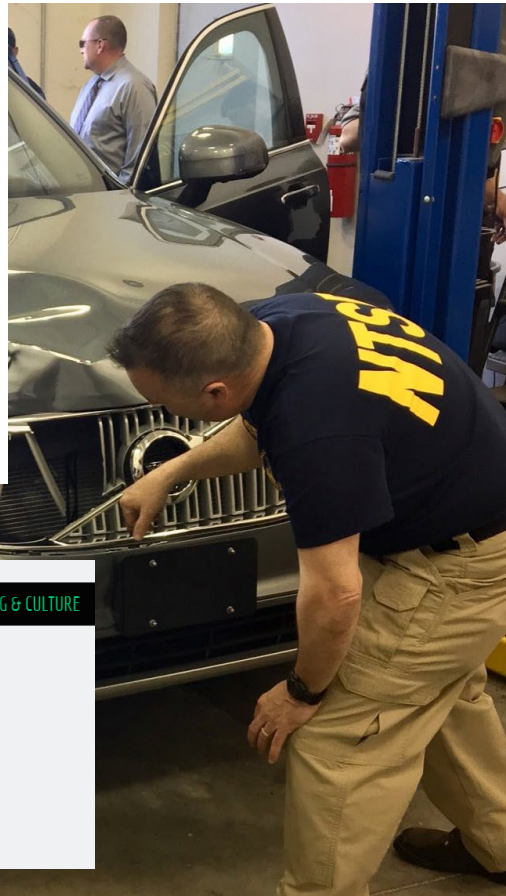
Why is this Important?

SAFETY-CRITICAL & MISSION-CRITICAL

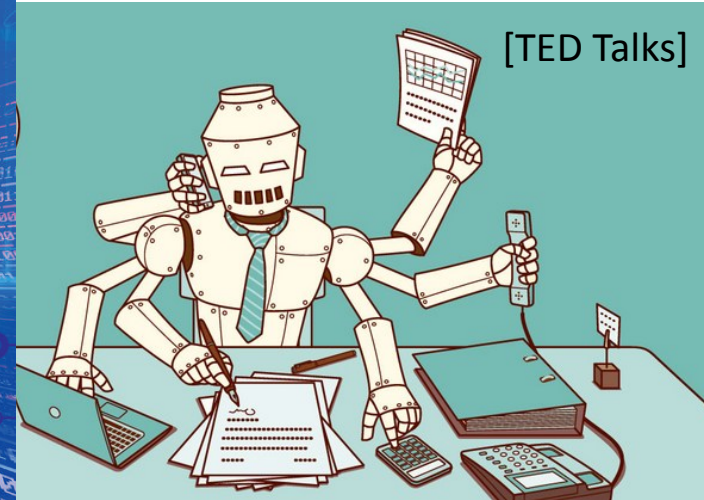
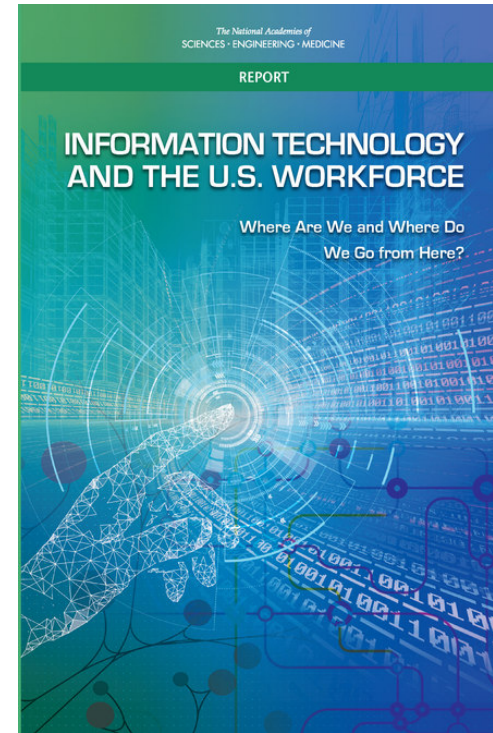
Tesla driver dies in first fatal autonomous car crash in US



Hands-off driving faces tough questions
Beck Diefenbach/Reuters



IMPACT OF AUTOMATION ON WORK/JOB

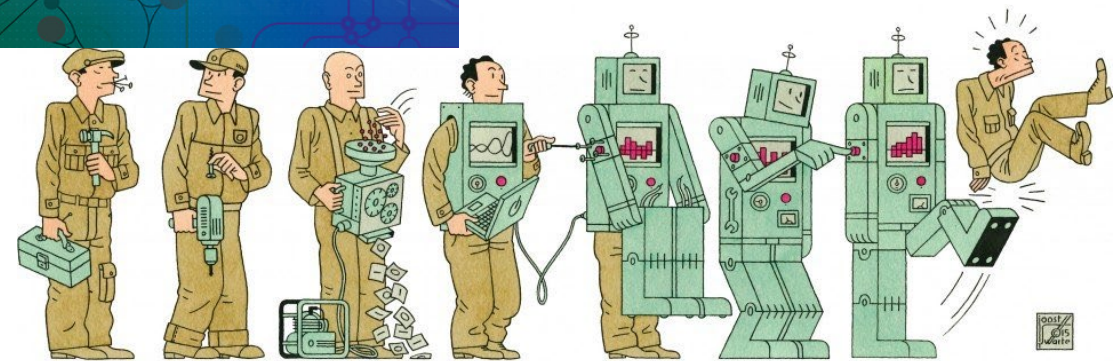


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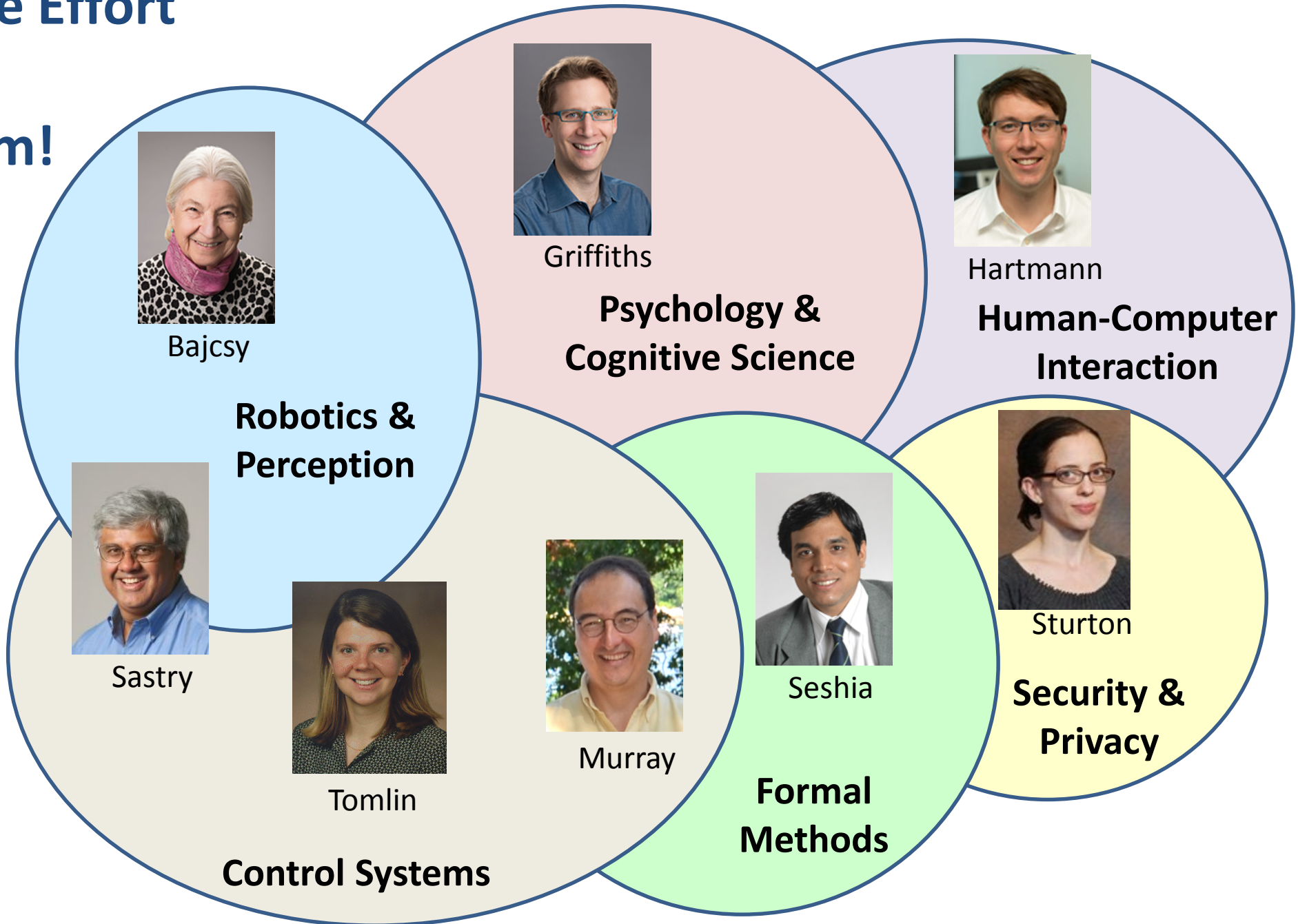
DRIVERLESS CAR SAFETY —
Report: Software bug led to death in Uber's self-driving crash

Sensors detected Elaine Herzberg, but software reportedly decided to ignore her.

TIMOTHY B. LEE - 5/7/2018, 3:12 PM



An Frontier-Scale Effort needs an Inter- Disciplinary Team!



Key Envisioned Contributions to CPS Science

- Developing a Science of Co-Design of Human Interfaces and Control
 - Turning design of h-CPS from an art to a science by systematic design and verification of human interfaces
- Making Uncertainty a first-class citizen in Verification and Control
 - New algorithms and models to deal with uncertainty in CPS dynamics and CPS design
- Bridging the Schism between Model-Based Design and Data-Driven Methods
 - A new design methodology for CPS that blends data-driven learning with formal modeling and proof engines

Design for Effective Communication between Humans and Automation

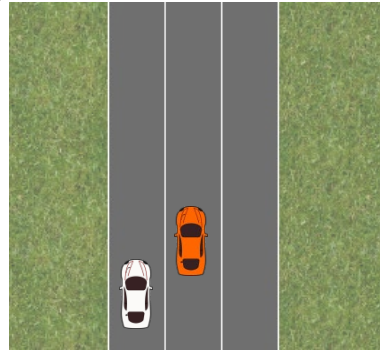


Interaction-Aware Control

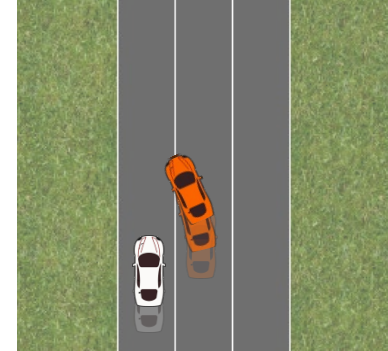


Leverage human *responses* to estimate human internal state, and learn human model.

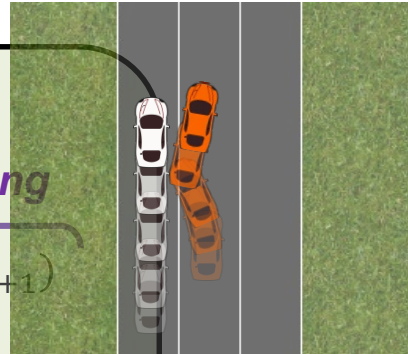
SAMPLE RESULT



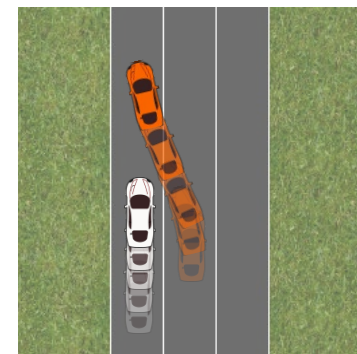
Lane Change



Nudging In



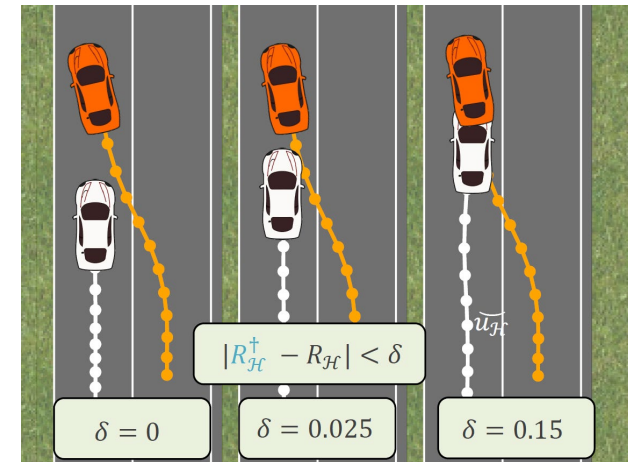
Distracted Human



Attentive Human

VERIFYING ROBUSTNESS

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\mathcal{H}} &= \arg \min_{u_{\mathcal{H}}} R_{\mathcal{R}}(x, u_{\mathcal{R}}^*, u_{\mathcal{H}}) \quad \text{Falsifying actions} \\ \text{s. t. } \exists R_{\mathcal{H}}^{\dagger} : u_{\mathcal{H}} &= \arg \max_{\hat{u}_{\mathcal{H}}} R_{\mathcal{H}}^{\dagger}(x, u_{\mathcal{R}}^*, \hat{u}_{\mathcal{H}}) \\ &\quad \text{Optimizing a perturbed version of the learned reward function.} \\ |R_{\mathcal{H}}^{\dagger} - R_{\mathcal{H}}| &< \delta \end{aligned}$$



$$p(u_H | x, \theta, u_R) \propto \exp(R_H(x, u_H, \theta, u_R))$$

$$b_{t+1}(\theta) \propto b_t(\theta) \cdot p(u_H | x_t, \theta, u_R)$$

Info Gathering

$$r_R(x_t, u_H, \theta, u_R) = \underbrace{\mathcal{H}(b_t) - \mathcal{H}(b_{t+1})}_{\text{Info Gathering}} + \underbrace{\lambda \cdot r_{\text{goal}}(x_t, u_H, \theta, u_R)}_{\text{Goal}}$$

$$u_R = \arg \max_{u_R} \mathbb{E}_{\theta} [R_R]$$

Learning and Teaching (Multiple) Task Specifications

Good Communication is Crucial

Demonstrations,
Natural Language



Cost Functions,
Logical Specs.

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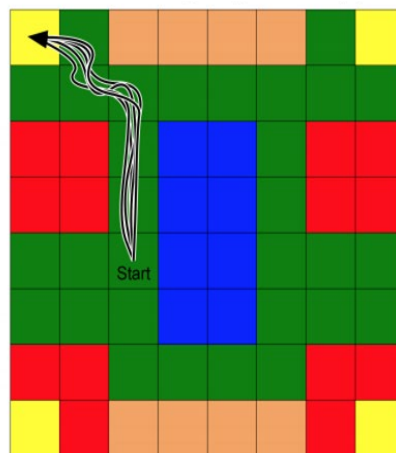
How can we hand off control reliably
and intuitively?

Learning Boolean Specifications from
Demonstrations

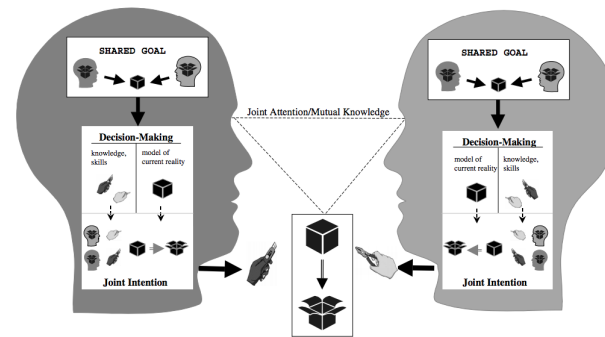
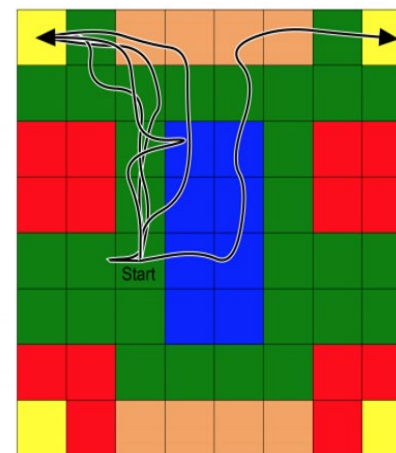
Target Specification:

Go to a yellow tile without going on
a red tile. If a blue tile is stepped on,
step on a brown tile before
stepping on a yellow tile

Doing Task



Communicating Task

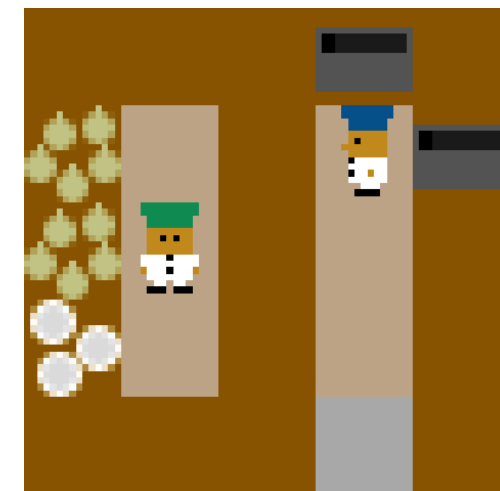


Boolean (logic) specifications:

- Composable
- Non-Markovian tasks
- Leverage formal methods

Humans and
machines must
coordinate actions
and processing

On the Utility of Learning
about Humans for
Human-AI Coordination

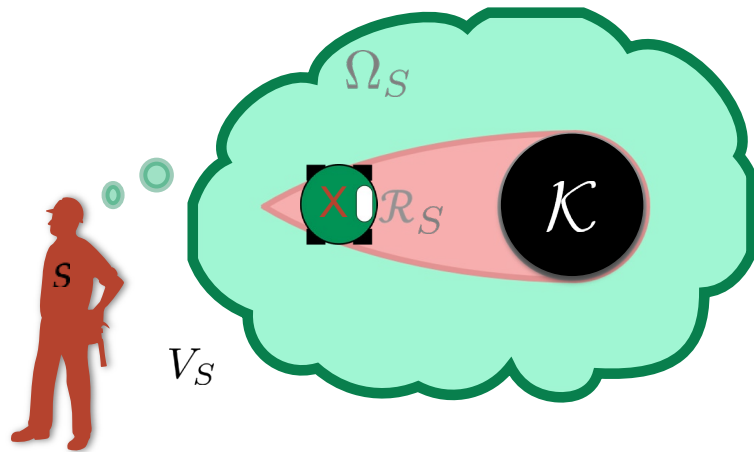
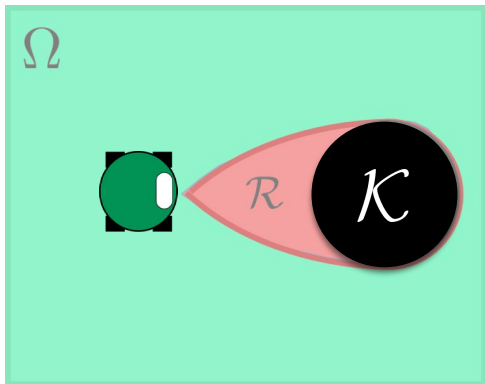


[Carroll, Shah, Ho, et al.,
NeurIPS'19]

Inferring Supervisor Safe Sets for Human-Robot Teams

Standard Reachability Safe Set:

Human's Perceived Safe Set:

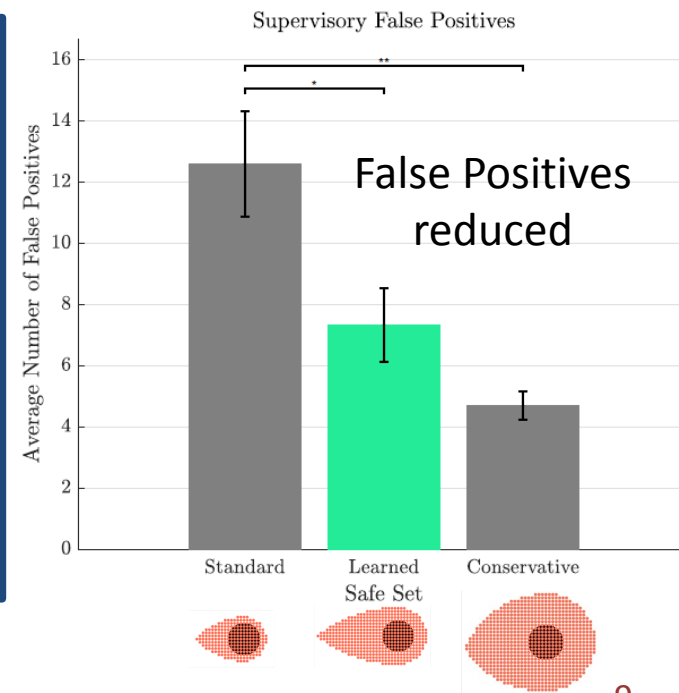
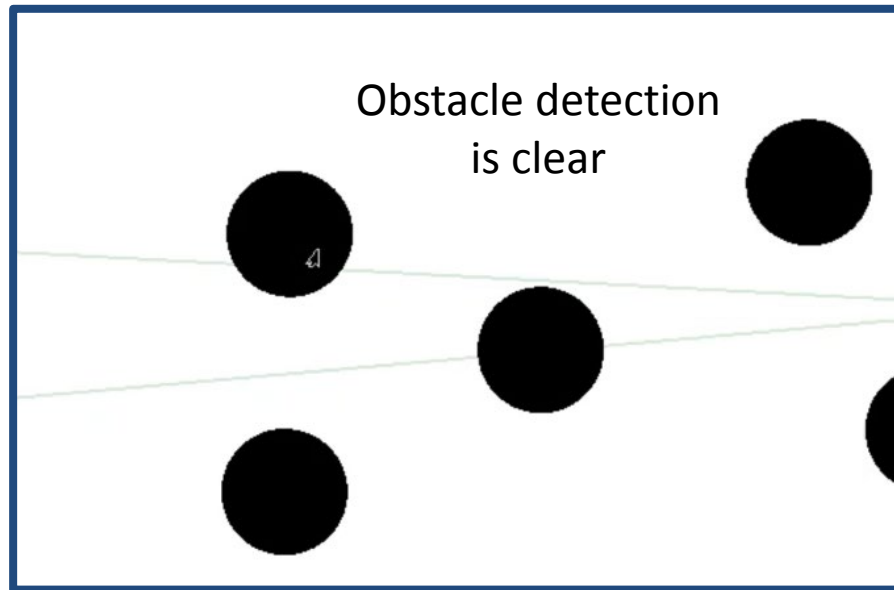
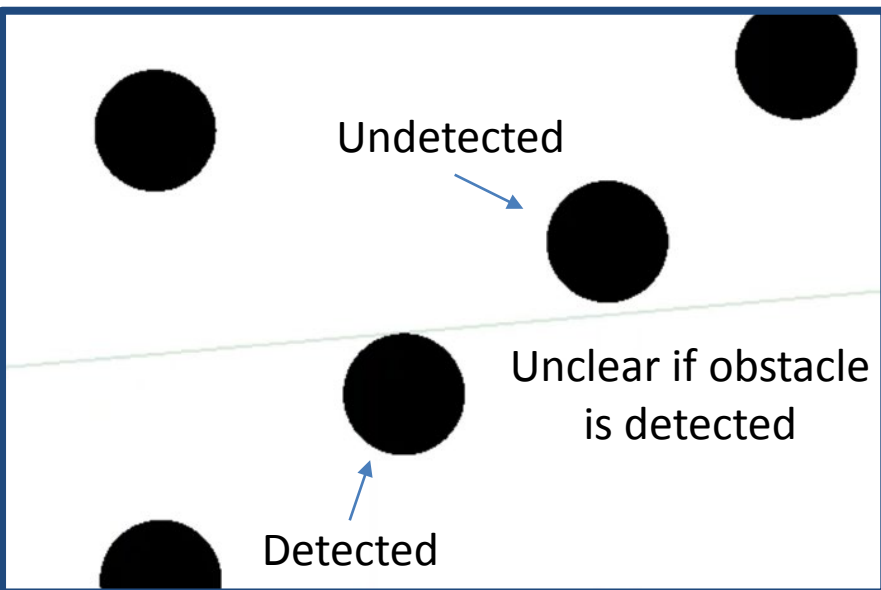


- Reachability analysis can compute safe sets
- Humans may perceive safety differently (from each other and from the system designer)
- Our technique can learn these individual safety preferences
- Avoid obstacles using learned safe sets to clearly communicate obstacle detection
- False positives (human thinks obstacle is undetected) are reduced

Avoidance with Standard:



Avoidance with Learned:



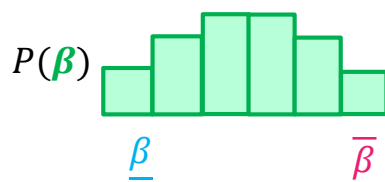
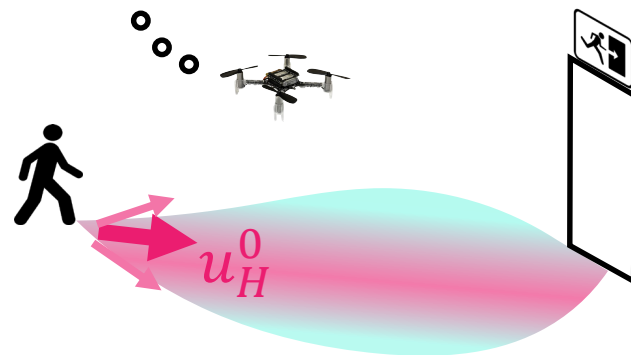
Probabilistically Safe Motion Planning Around People

Use Human Models not as Ground Truth, but to Inform *Confidence in Predictions*

Prediction:

Confidence-aware Human Prediction w/ Boltzmann Model

$$P(u_H^0 \mid x_H^0; \theta, \beta) \propto e^{\beta Q(x_H, u_H; \theta)}$$

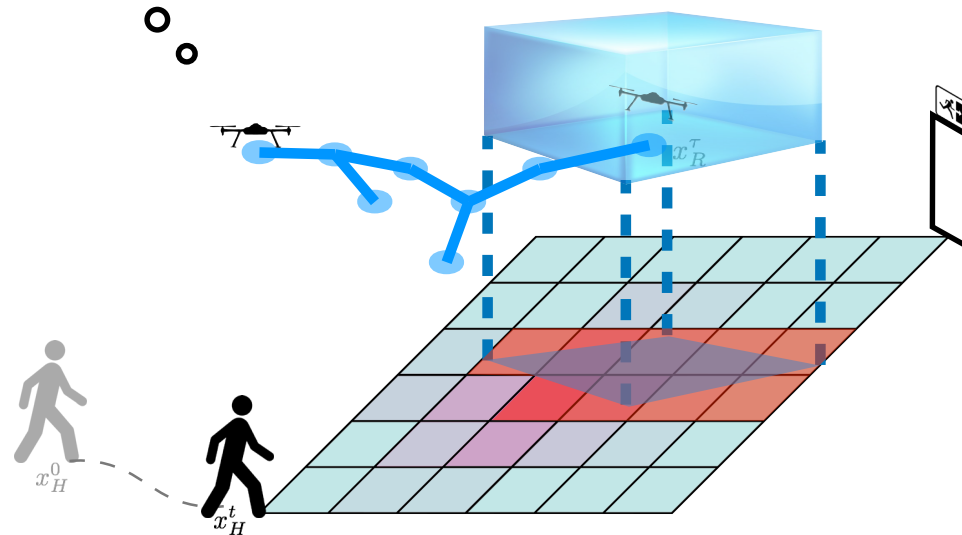


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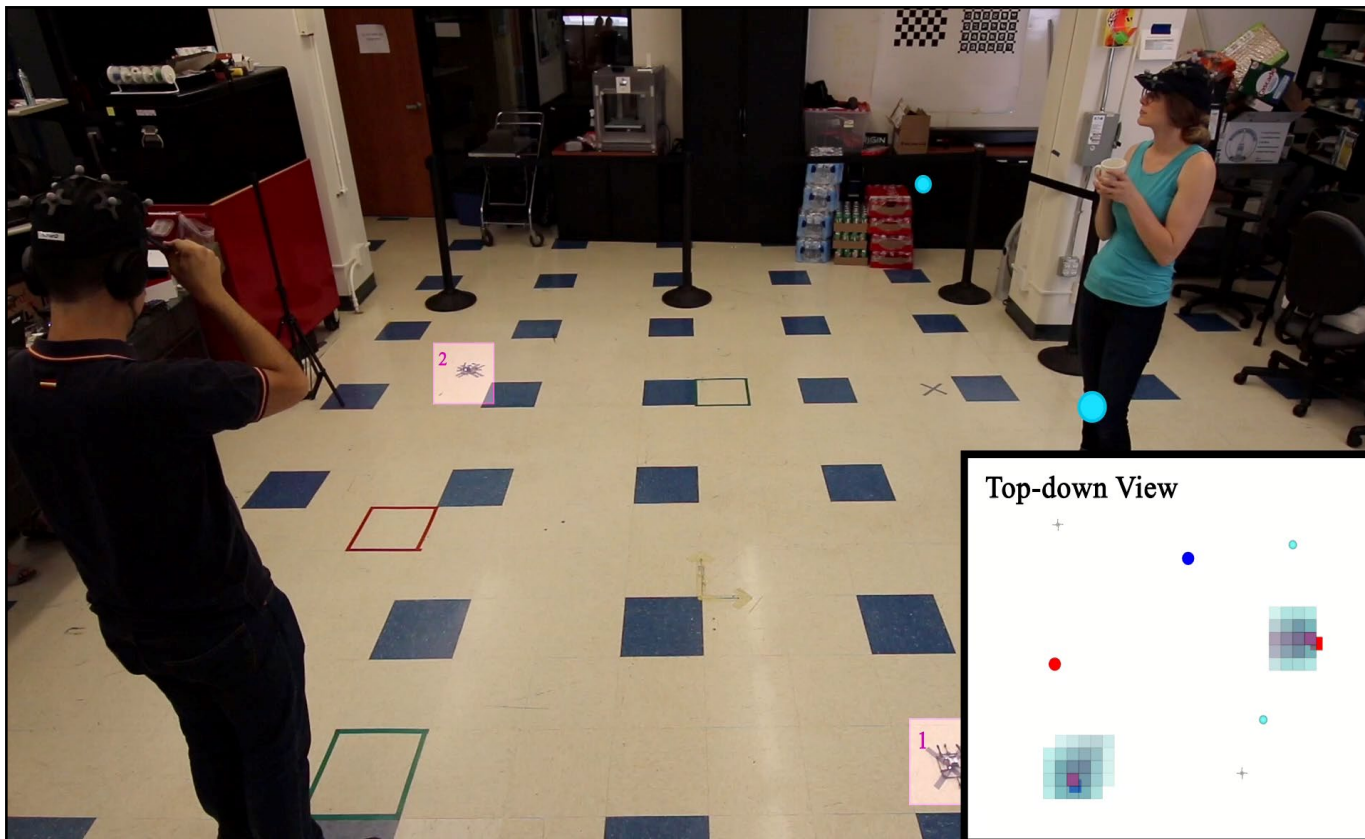
Planning & Control:

Fast and Safe Tracking (FaSTrack)

$$P(\text{Crash}(x_R^T)) = \mathbb{E}_{\beta, \theta} \int_{\mathcal{H}_E(x_R^T)} dP(x_H^T \mid x_H^t; \beta, \theta)$$



Probabilistically Safe Motion Planning Around People



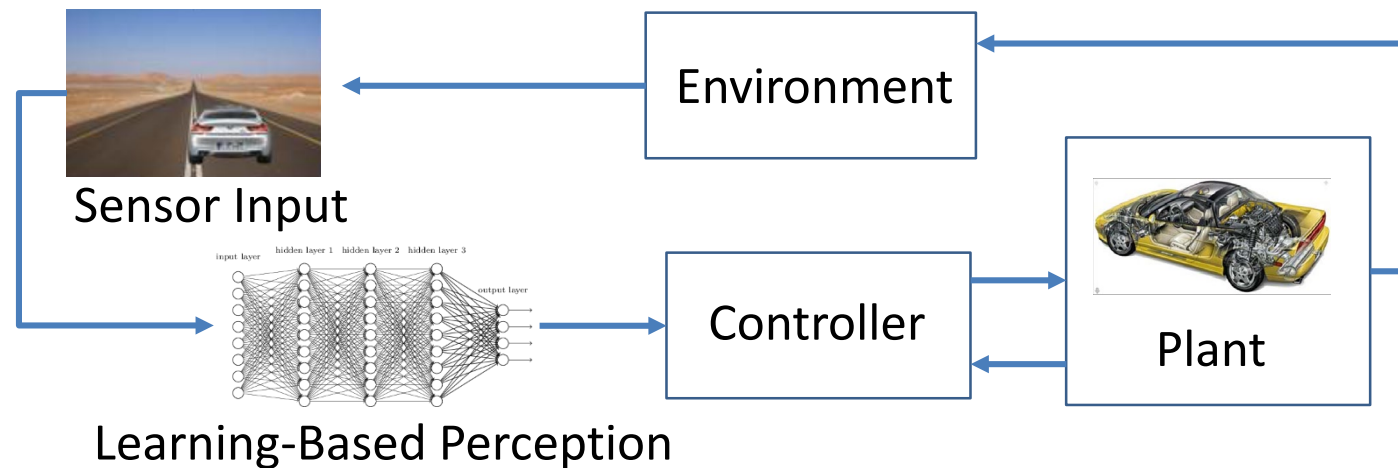
Hardware Experiment

Large Scale Simulation



[A Scalable Framework for Real-time, Multi-Robot, Multi-Human Collision Avoidance, ICRA 2019]

A Semantic Approach to the Design of High-Assurance Learning-Based CPS



SCENIC: Scenario Description Language

- *Scenic* is a **probabilistic programming language** defining *distributions over scenes*
- *Use cases*: data generation, test generation, verification, debugging, design exploration, etc.

```

from gta import Car, curb, roadDirection

ego = Car

spot = OrientedPoint on visible curb
badAngle = Uniform(1.0, -1.0) * (10, 20) deg
Car left of (spot offset by -0.5 @ 0),
    facing badAngle relative to roadDirection
  
```



Platoons

Images created
with GTA-VBumper-
to-bumper

[D. Fremont et al., “Scenic: A Language for Scenario Specification and Scene Generation”, TR 2018, PLDI 2019.]

Some Applications of Scenic

- Data Generation, (Re)-Training
 - More controllable, interpretable
 - Improves performance significantly
 - Rare scenarios, controlled distributions, etc.



Car detection with occlusions

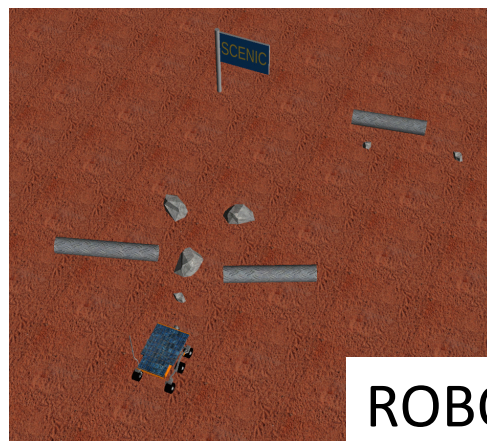
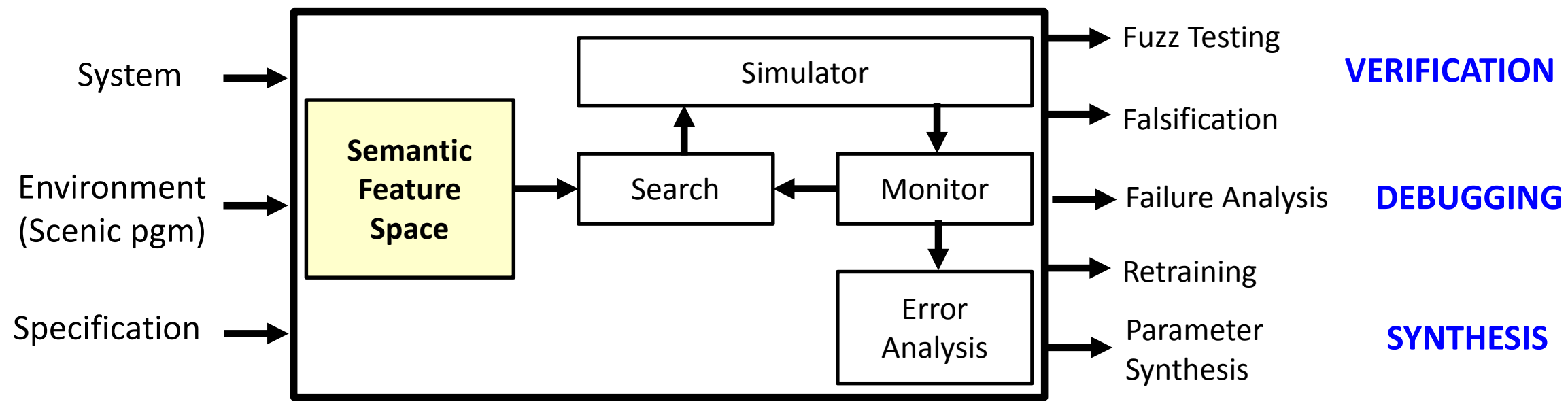
- Debugging Failures
 - Vary scenarios systematically
 - Explain failures of ML



- Design Space Exploration

Test Hypothesis: does the car model lead to a mis-detection?

VERIFAI: A Toolkit for the Design and Analysis of AI-Based Systems [CAV 2019] <https://github.com/BerkeleyLearnVerify/VerifAI>



ROBOTICS

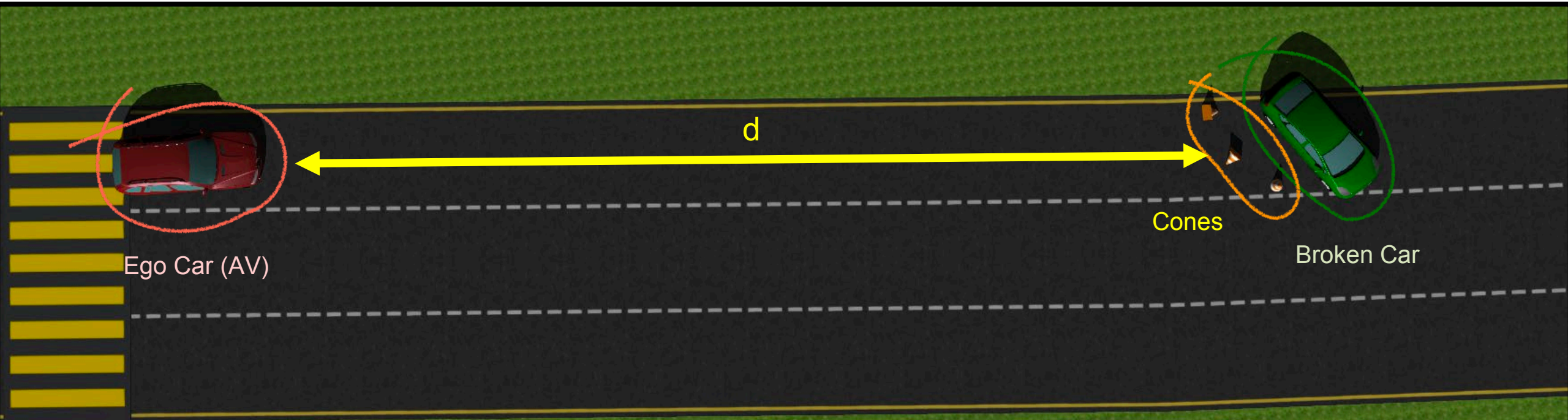
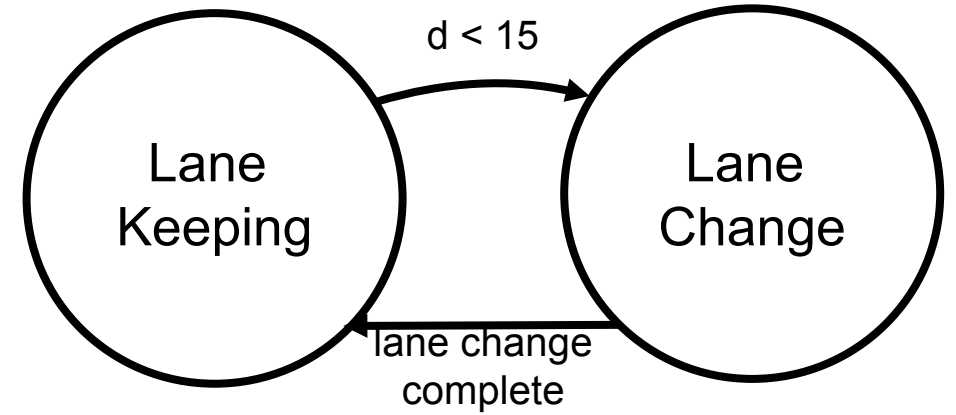


AUTONOMOUS DRIVING



AIRCRAFT

Case Study for Temporal Logic Falsification with VerifAI: Navigation around an Accident Scenario



Modeling Accident Scenario in the SCENIC Language

```
# Pick location for blockage randomly along curb
blockageSite = OrientedPoint on curb

# Place traffic cones
spot1 = OrientedPoint left of blockageSite by (0.3, 1)
cone1 = TrafficCone at spot1,
        facing (0, 360) deg

...

# Place disabled car ahead of cones
SmallCar ahead of spot2 by (-1, 0.5) @ (4, 10),
        facing (0, 360) deg
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Fremont et al., *Scenic: A Language for Scenario Specification and Scene Generation*, PLDI 2019.

Temporal Logic Falsification

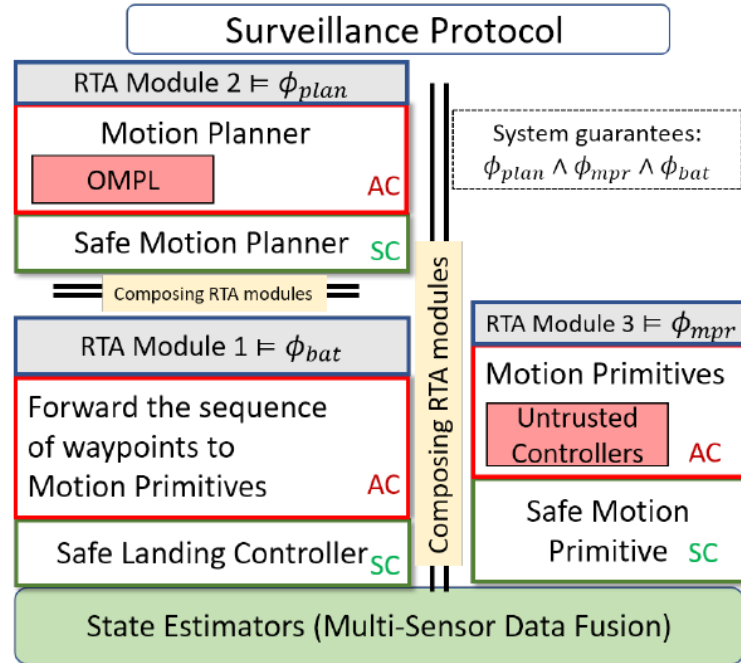
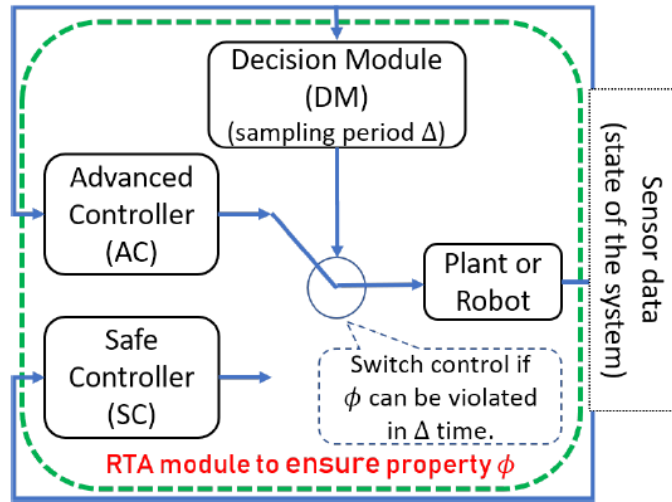


From Models to Real World: Bridging the Gap

SPE [HSCC 2019] Models Real World

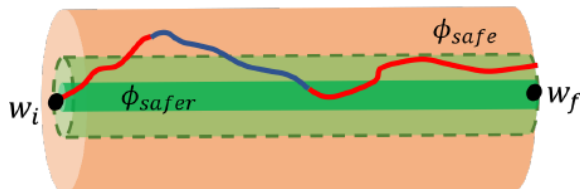
SOTER: Programming Framework for Run-Time Assurance

[DSN 2019]



System guarantees:
 $\phi_{plan} \wedge \phi_{mpr} \wedge \phi_{bat}$

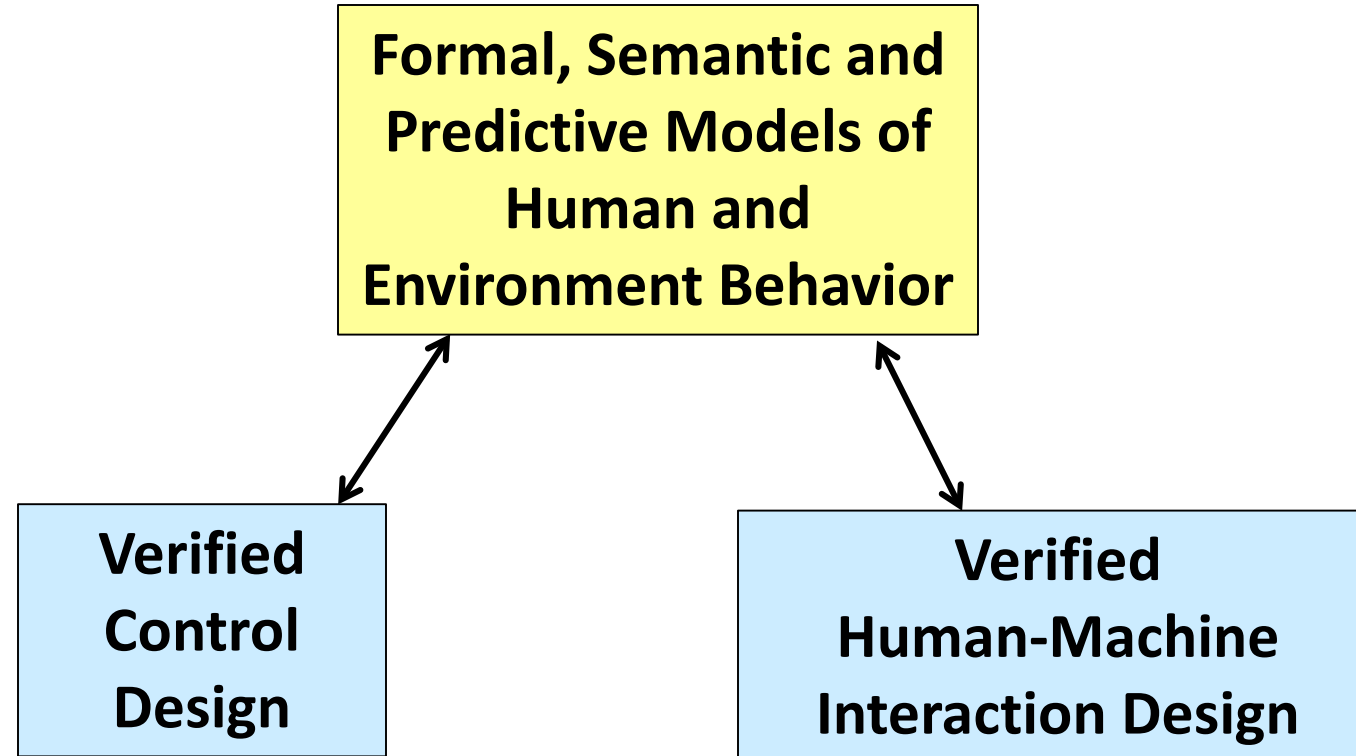
Theorem: The following is an inductive invariant:
 $Mode = SC \wedge s \in \phi_{safe}$
 \vee
 $Mode = AC \wedge Reach(s, *, \Delta) \in \phi_{safe}$



module system = RTAModule1 || RTAModule2 || RTAModule3;



Formal Models Key to Co-Design



A Selection of Other Results from VeHICaL

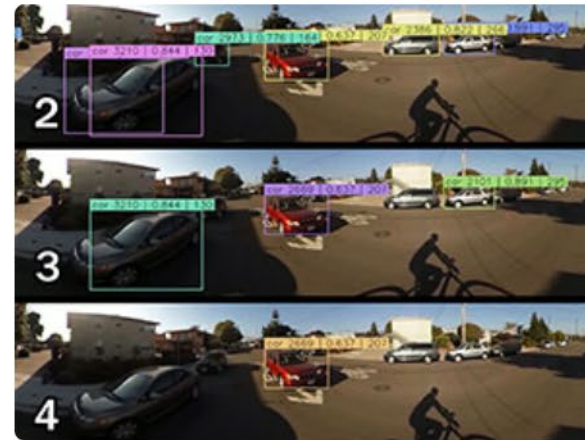
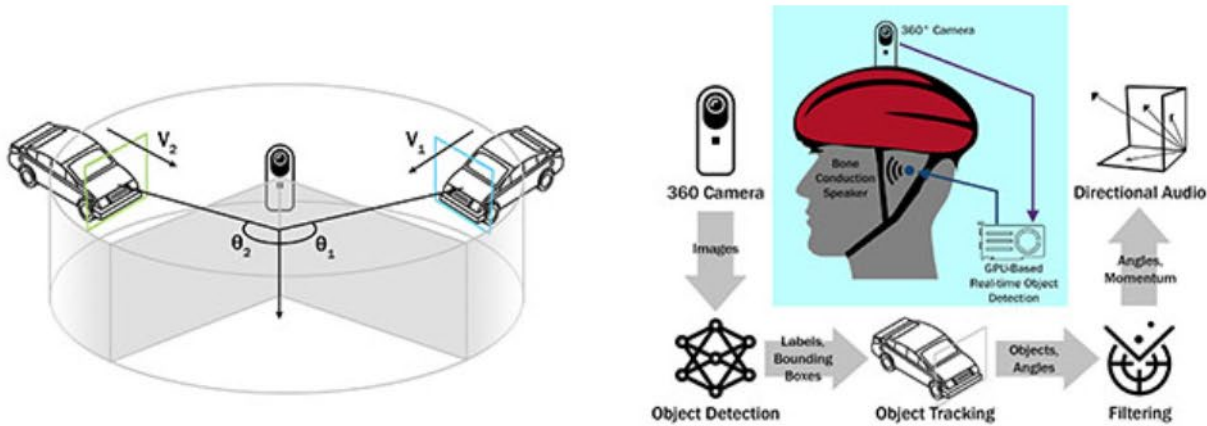
Abstractions for Neural Network Analysis

Come see the posters!

Vibro-Acoustical Approach to Driver Interfaces

Drowsy Driver Detection

HindSight: Bicyclist Assistance Systems



HindSight increases the environmental awareness of cyclists by warning them of vehicles approaching from outside their visual field. A panoramic camera mounted on a bicycle helmet streams real-time, 360-degree video to a laptop running YOLOv2, a neural object detector designed for real-time use. Detected vehicles are passed through a filter bank to find the most relevant.

Industrial Impact

- Several workshops with strong industry participation
- Open-Source Tools and Datasets
 - VerifAI, Scenic, ...
 - Drowsy Driver Dataset, Visual-Acoustic Vehicle Dataset, ...
- Tools/ideas being adopted by Industry
- Working with AAA & LG on AV scenario specification and testing at GoMentum test facility

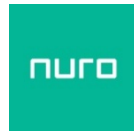


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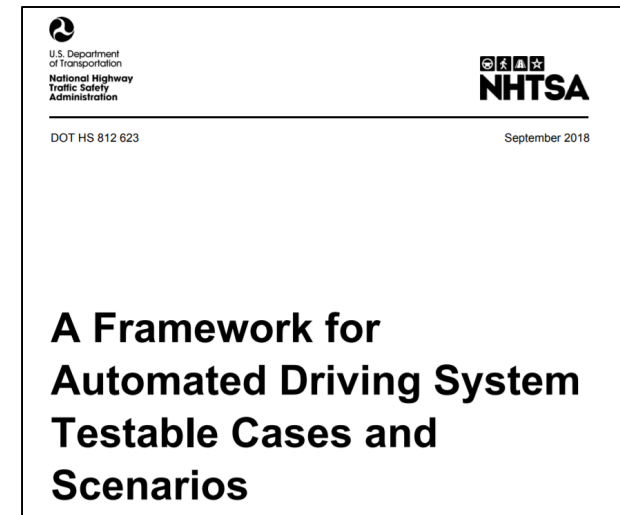
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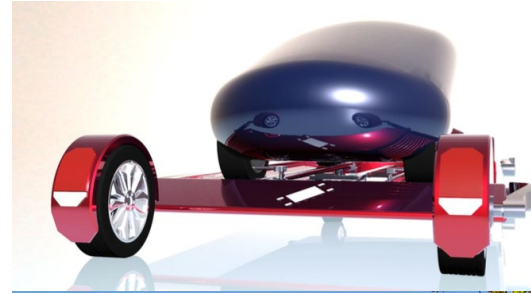


- Advice to NHTSA project on AV Test Cases

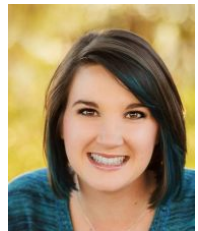


Impact on Graduate and Undergraduate Education

- Several courses impacted by VeHICaL
- Reimagining Mobility – collaboration with Ford Greenfield Labs
 - at the Jacobs Institute of Design Innovation @ Berkeley
- Academic/industry positions for graduates from VeHICaL project



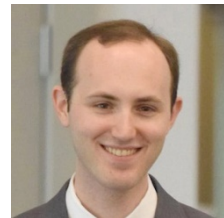
Design Project 3:
The Goods Delivery Interface
Between Humans and
Autonomous Vehicles



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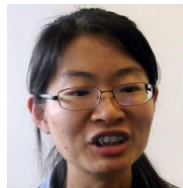
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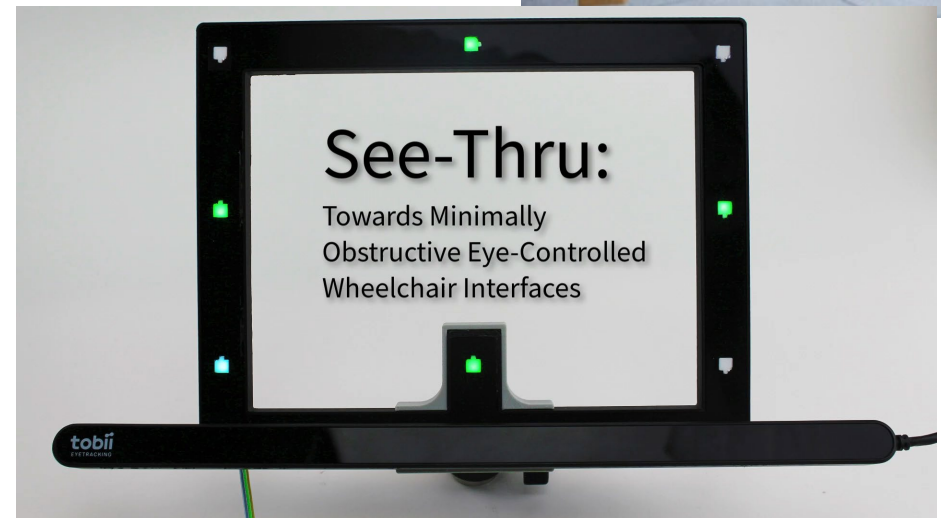


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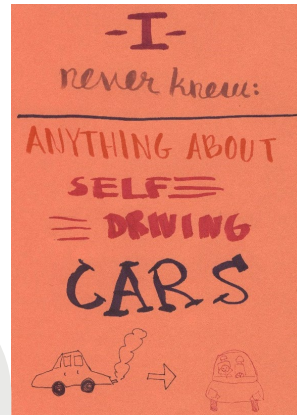
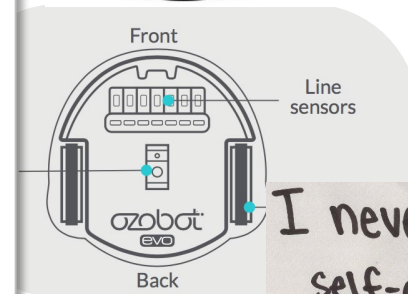
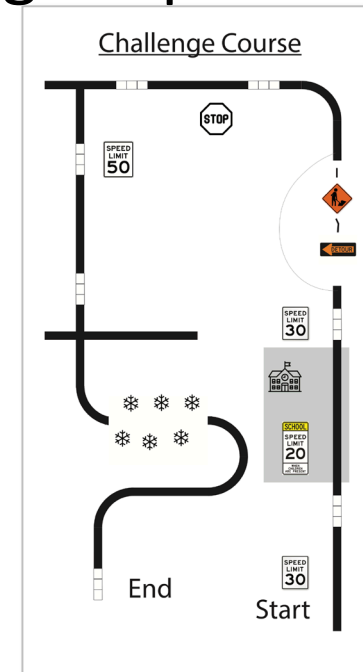
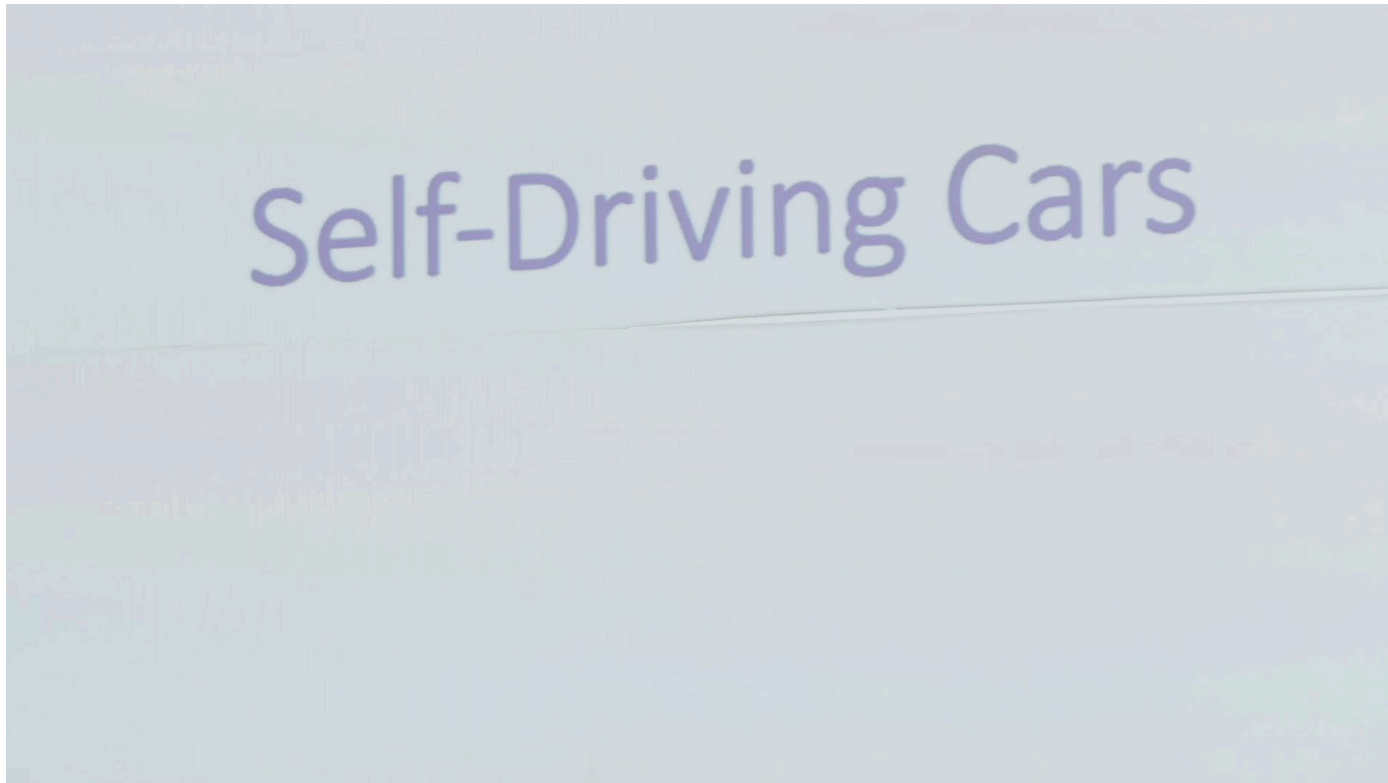
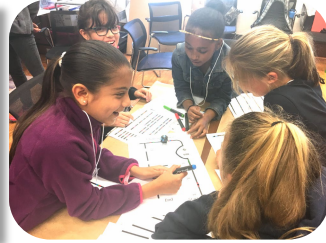
Waymo

... and more



Broader Impacts – Girls in Engineering (GiE) VeHiCaL modules

- Summer program for middle-school girls at Berkeley
- VeHiCaL provided instructors/mentors, funding, content
- Modules on self-driving car technology using simple Ozobot platform



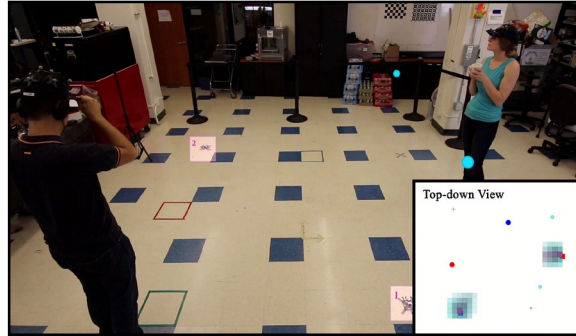
I never knew that... self-driving cars were so hard to make.

I never knew... Before this camp, I never knew about lidar and radar. I thought self-driving cars just used cameras to sense.

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Challenge:

- *Co-design human interfaces and control for human-cyber-physical systems with provable guarantees*
- Apply to semi-autonomous vehicles (ground and air)

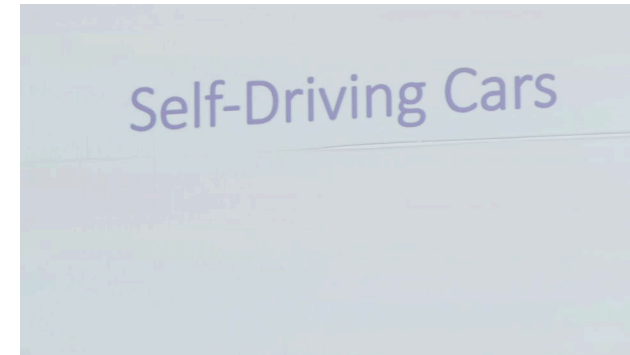
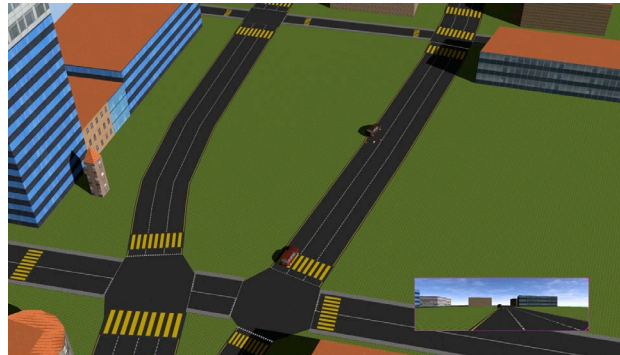


Scientific Impact:

- Developing a Science of Co-Design of Human Interfaces and Control
- Bridging Model-Based and Data-Driven Design of CPS

Solution:

- Integrate Learning, Verification and Control
- Data-Driven Resource Rational Human Modeling
- Prototype Controllers & Interfaces, Evaluate on Testbed



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Broader Impact:

- Significantly improve safety, security, and performance of systems where humans interact closely with automation
- Involve middle/high-school and undergraduate students in VeHiCaL activities

THANK YOU!

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