

Evaluations of Cyberattacks on Cooperative Control of Connected and Automated Vehicles at Bottleneck Points

Presentation Title

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GAME-CHANGING OPPORTUNITY: CONNECTED AUTOMATED VEHICLES (CAVs)



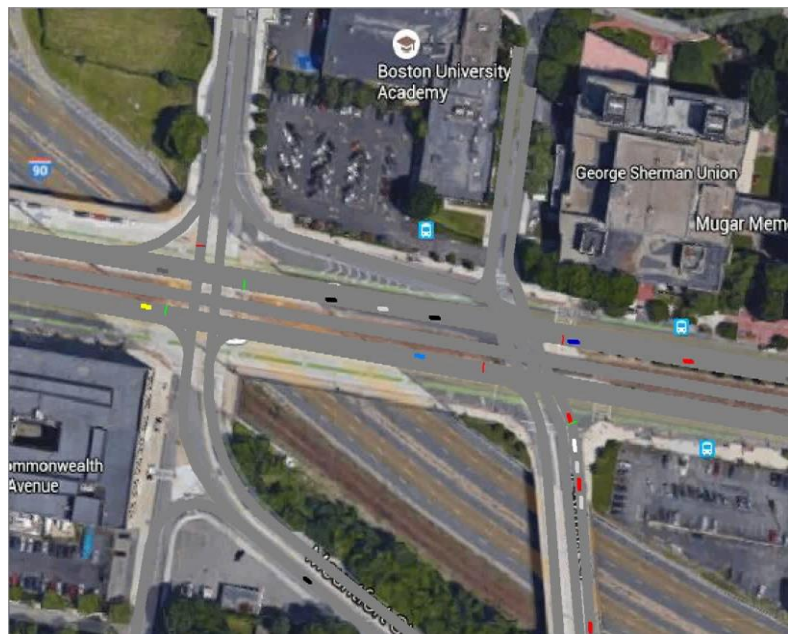
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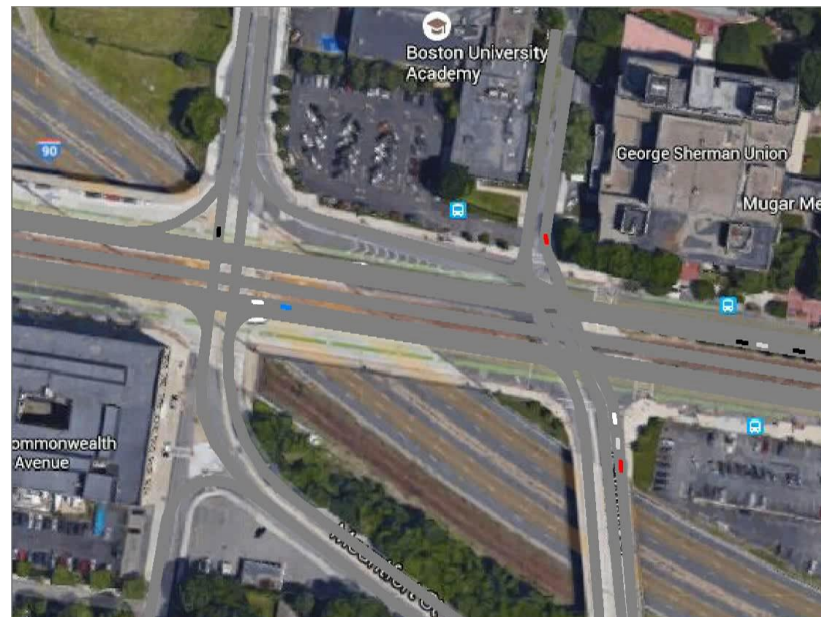
FROM (SELFISH) "DRIVER OPTIMAL" TO
(SOCIAL) "SYSTEM OPTIMAL"
TRAFFIC CONTROL

Motivation

With *traffic lights*



With *decentralized control* of CAVs



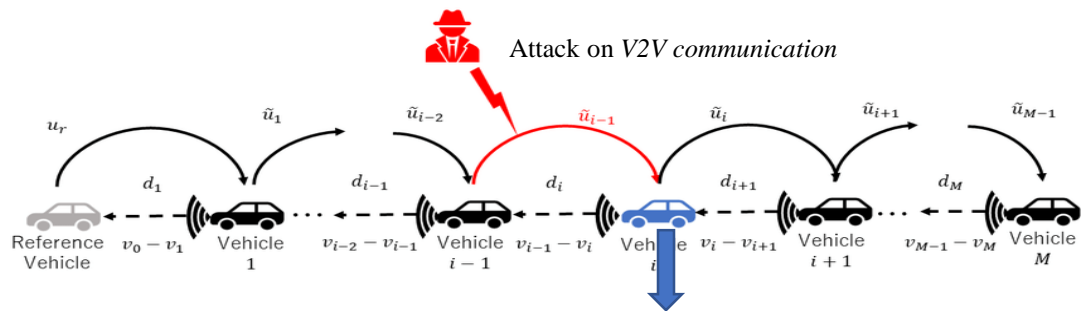
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Cybersecurity Challenge

Cyber attack can thwart CACC.



In-Vehicle Network Attacks:

- I. Remote sensor attacks
- II. GPS spoofing attacks
- III. CAN bus vulnerabilities
- IV. ECU software flashing attacks
- V. ML attacks ...

Our paper: first study on *security* of *SOTA coordination and control algorithms* for CAVs through *numerous traffic bottleneck points*.

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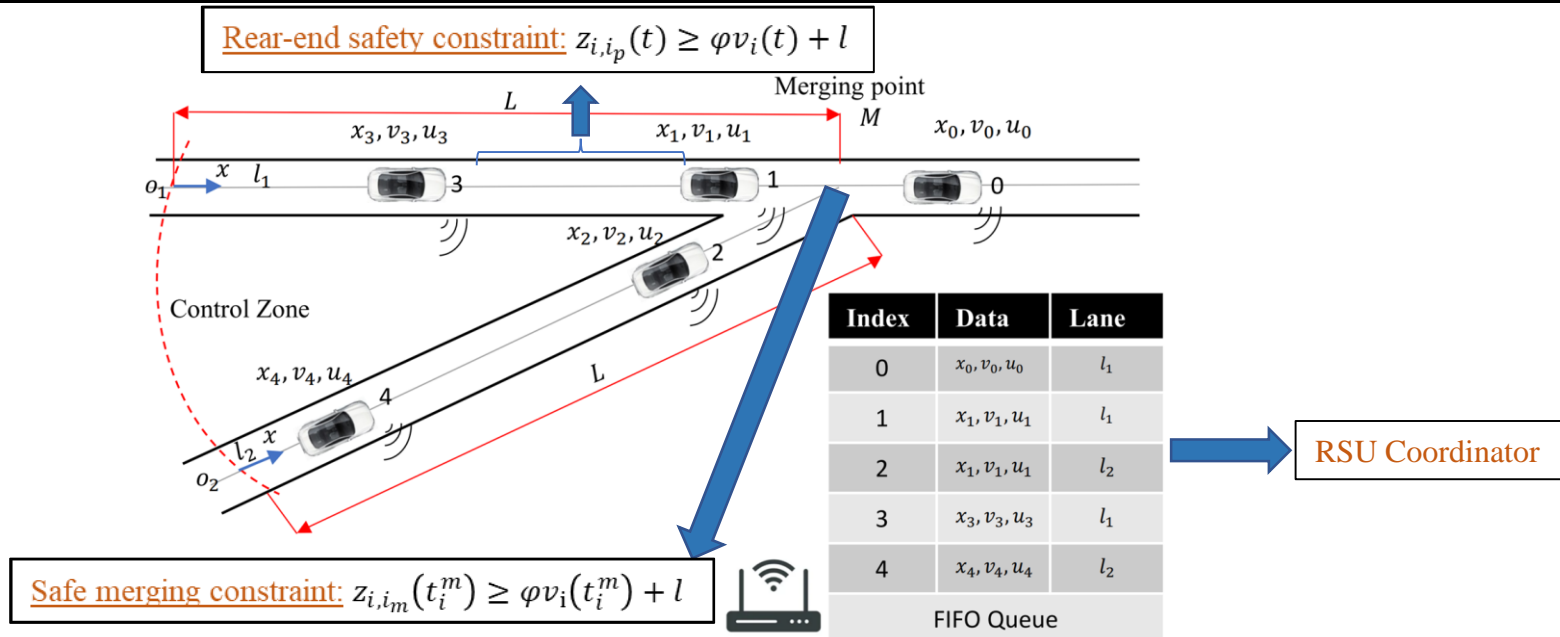
CAV Coordination Problem at Bottleneck Points

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Merging roadways



- Provides coordination by maintaining a passing sequence (like Shortest Distance First (SDF), FIFO etc...). We used FIFO policy.
- The coordination is achieved using V2X communication between the CAVs and the coordinator.

Decentralized Constrained Optimal Control Problem formulation

Rear-end safety constraint

Safe merging constraints

Vehicle limitations:
 $v_{i,\min} \leq v_i(t) \leq v_{i,\max}, \forall t \in [t_i^0, t_i^f]$
 $u_{i,\min} \leq u_i(t) \leq u_{i,\max}, \forall t \in [t_i^0, t_i^f]$



Decentralized Controller:

Minimize
travel time

Minimize
energy
consumption

Maximize
centrifugal
comfort

Objective: $\min_{u_i(t), t_i^f} \beta_1 (t_i^f - t_i^0) + \int_{t_i^0}^{t_i^f} \beta_2 C_i(u_i(t)) dt + \int_{t_i^0}^{t_i^f} \beta_3 \kappa(x_i(t)) v_i^2(t) dt$

I. **CBF constraints** for rear-end, merging, and state constraints:

$$L_f b_1(\mathbf{x}) + L_g b_1(\mathbf{x})u + \alpha_1 (b_1(\mathbf{x}))$$

II. **CLF constraints** for velocity tracking:

$$L_f V(\mathbf{x}) + L_g V(\mathbf{x})u + \epsilon V(\mathbf{x}) \leq e_i(t)$$

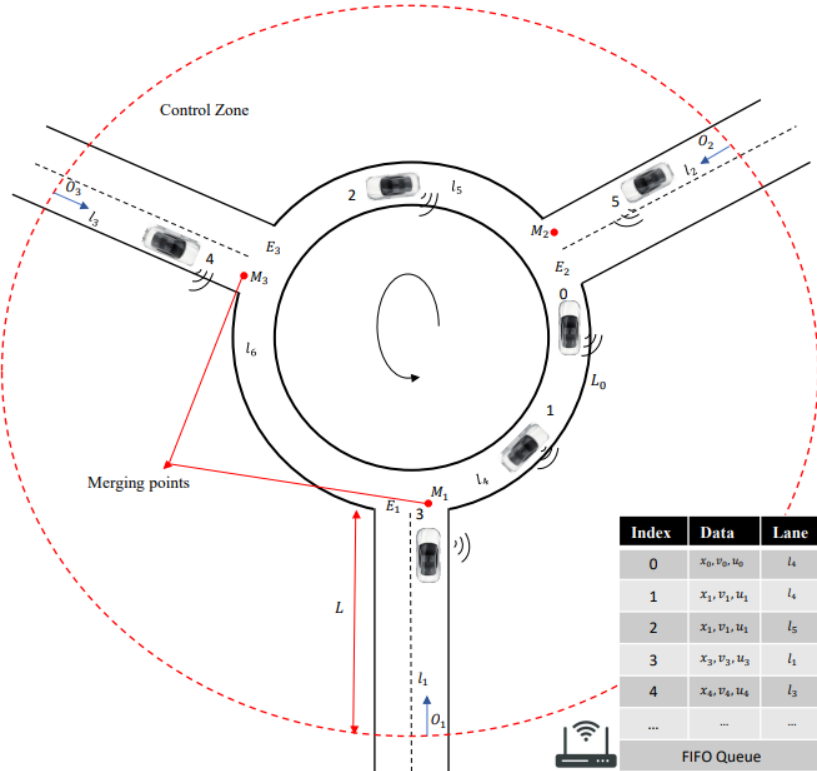
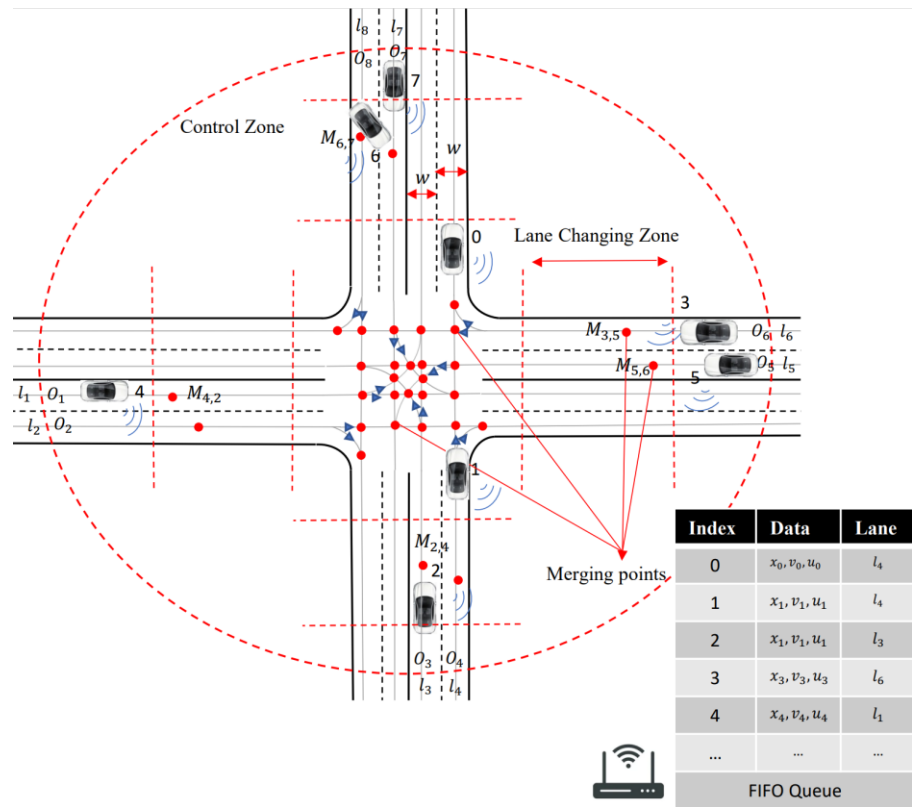
Control
 $u_i^*(t)$



Advantages of CBF based Controller:

- i. The CBF OCP problem can be *solved in real time*.
- ii. *Safety guarantee* through *forward invariance property of CBFs*.

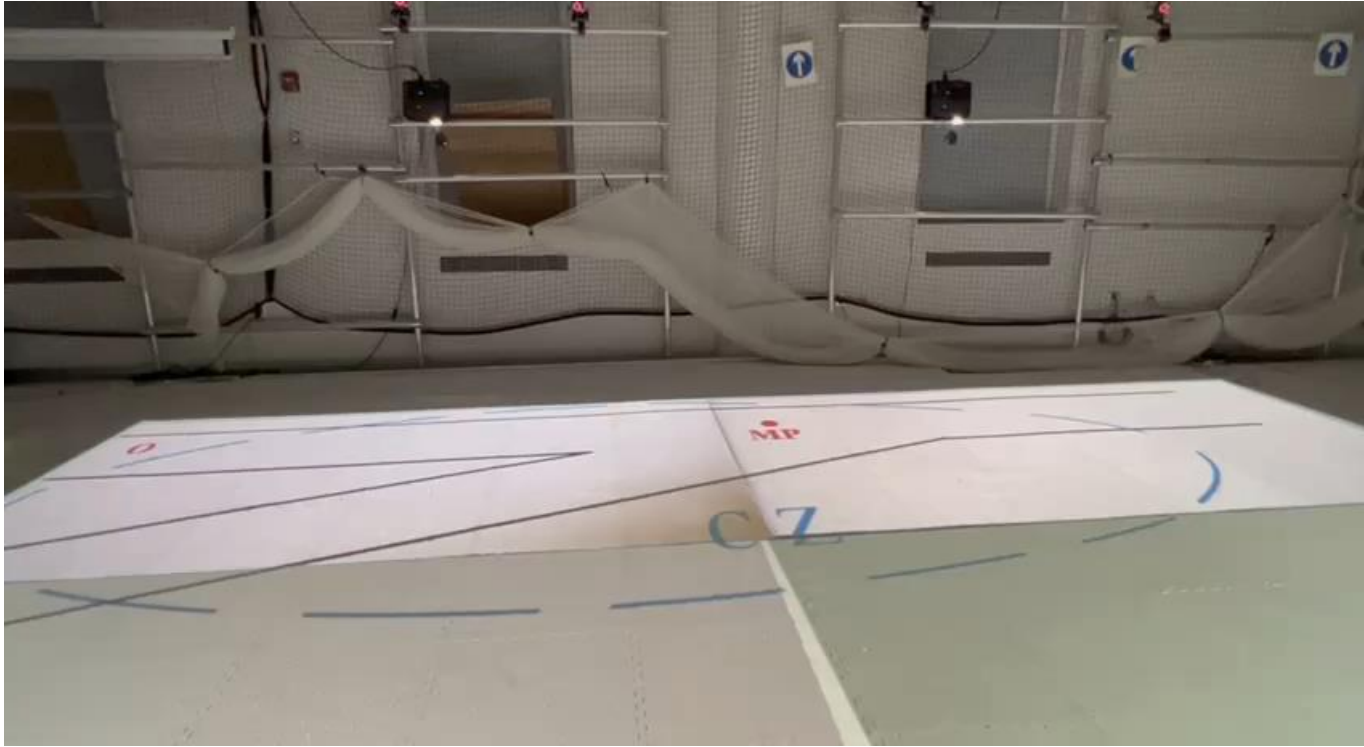
Signal-Free Intersection and Roundabout



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Merging roadway testbed using Decentralized CBF-OCP control scheme



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Attack taxonomy - 1

- Systems assets: i. RSU Coordinator, and
 - ii. The CAVs in the CZ.

- Information assets:
 - I. RSU Queue table data of all CAVs in CZ.
 - II. V2X communication data.
 - III. CAV hardware (internal network, onboard sensors and actuators)

- We consider the *RSU as a trusted entity*; and primarily *focus on V2X communication network security*.

Attack taxonomy - 1

Attack category	Attack type	Network security requirements			
		Confidentiality	Integrity	Availability	Authenticity
Main-in-the-Middle attacks	Replay attack		×		
	False data injection attack		×		
	Slight Attack		×		
Communication hijacking attacks	DoS attack			×	
	Timing attack			×	
	Flooding attack			×	
	Black hole attack			×	
	Grey hole attack			×	
Spoofing attacks	Wormhole attack			×	
	Sybil attack				×
	Impersonation attack				×
Eavesdropping attack		×			
	Interception attack	×			

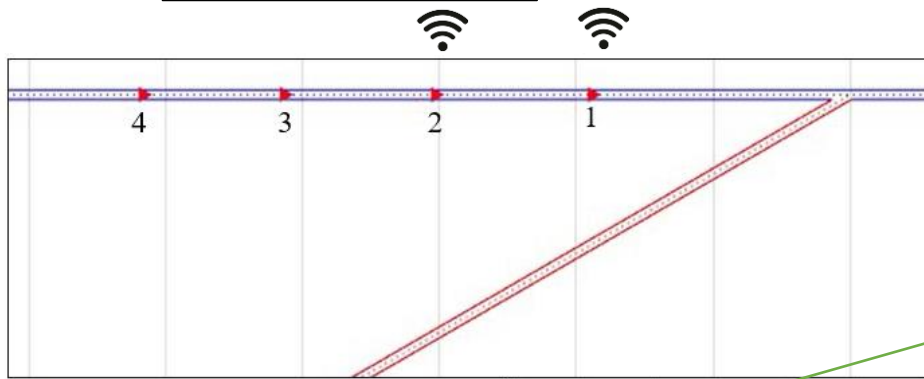
Diagram illustrating the classification of attacks based on network security requirements. Red circles highlight specific attack types: Replay attack, False data injection attack, DoS attack, and Grey hole attack. Blue arrows point from these circled attack types to the text "Simulated attacks" located at the bottom right of the table.

Simulated attacks

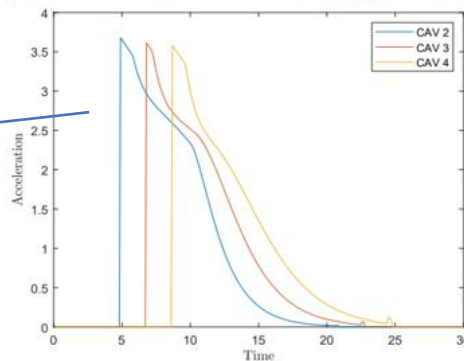
Attack modelling, simulation and results

Timing Attack - Result

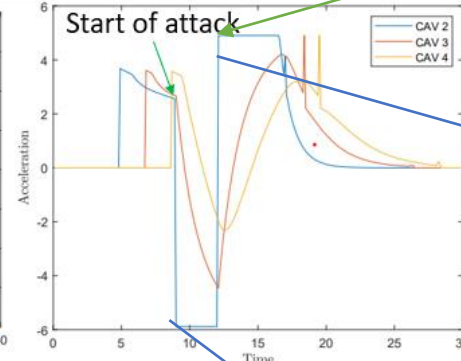
RSU CAV 1 data is delayed



End of attack



Acceleration profile, no attack



Start of attack

CAV 2 accelerates rapidly and CAVs behind follow suit.

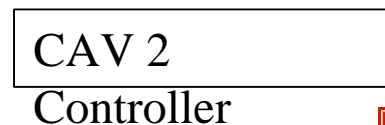
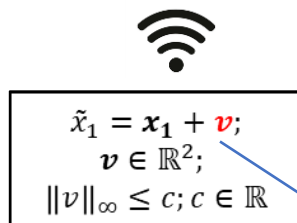
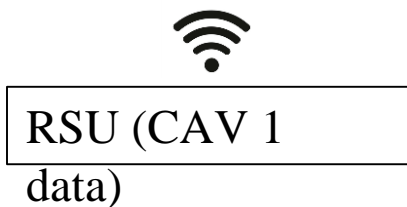
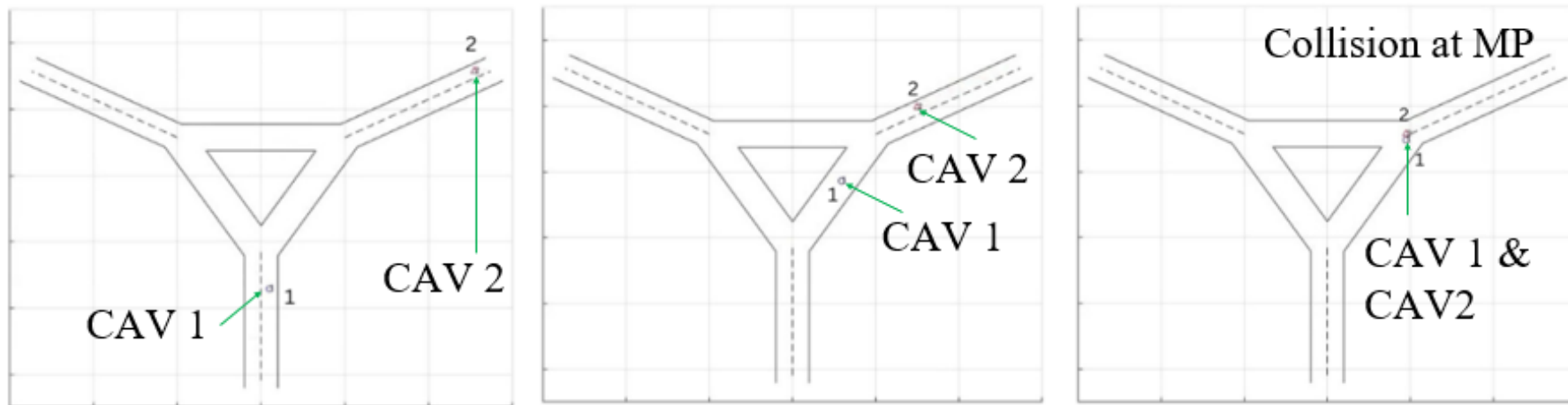
CAV 2 decelerates rapidly and CAVs behind brakes as a result.

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FDI Attack - results



Injected bias

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Sybil attack - Attacker capabilities

Three types of attacker models:

i) **Non-informed attacker:** Attacker with no knowledge of the infrastructure

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_{i,k} \\ \tilde{u}_{i,k} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{bmatrix} r_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

ii) **Infrastructure aware adversary:** Has knowledge about the data packet structures, coordination requirements (constraints) and CAV physical model.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_{i,k} \\ \tilde{u}_{i,k} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (f(\tilde{x}_{i,k-1}) + g(\tilde{x}_{i,k-1})\tilde{u}_{i,k})dt \\ \tilde{u}_i^k \end{bmatrix}$$

u_t s.t. rear and merging constraints, and vehicle constraints are satisfied.

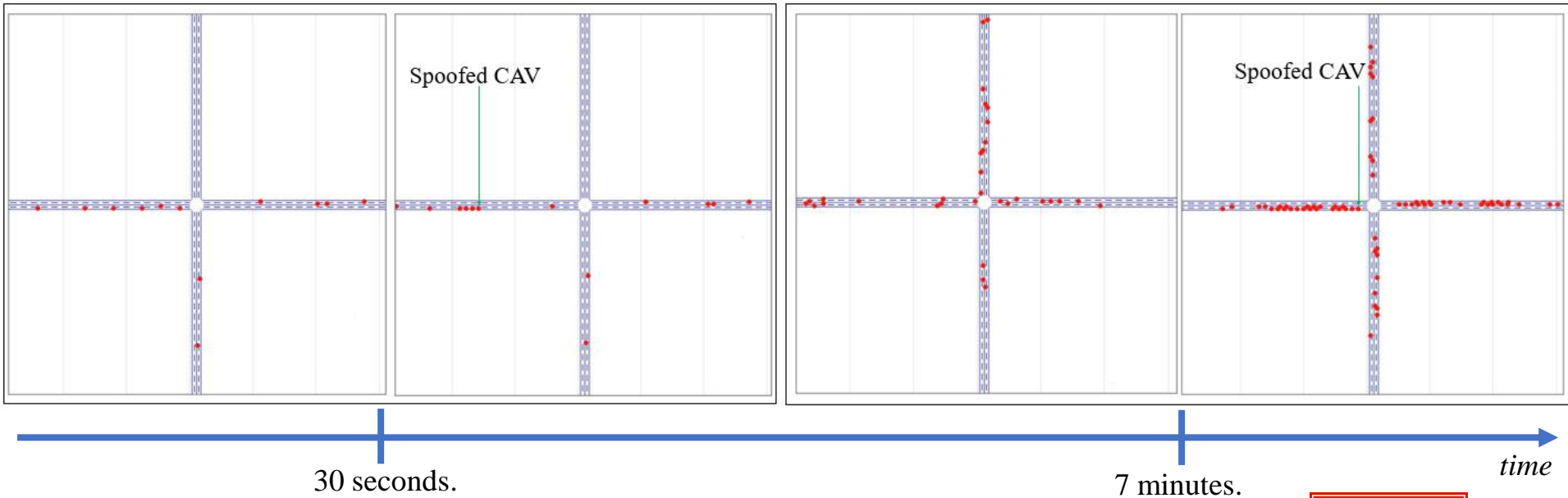
(ii) **Strategic adversary:** Adversary's aim adversary's aim is to cause havoc in the traffic network in the shortest time possible before getting detected. Hence, the data is generated using the same model as following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_{i,k} \\ \tilde{u}_{i,k} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (f(\tilde{x}_{i,k-1}) + g(\tilde{x}_{i,k-1})\tilde{u}_{i,k})dt \\ \tilde{u}_i^k \end{bmatrix}$$

$u^t \in \mathbb{R}; u_{\min} < u < u_{\max}$ and other constraints are not guaranteed to be satisfied.

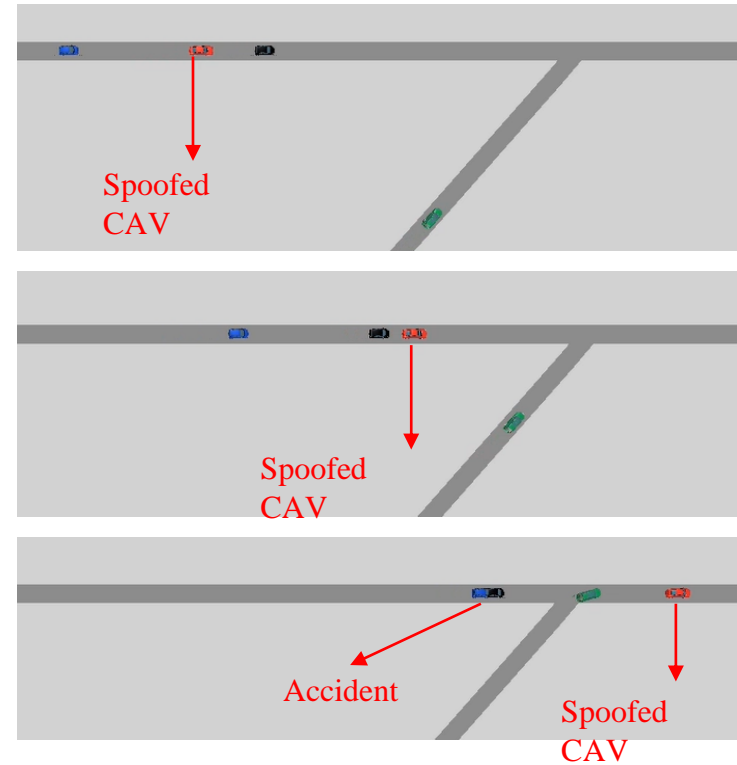
Sybil Attack - Infrastructure aware adversary

- Single spoofed CAV.
- FIFO policy whereby a single sybil CAV in one road causes congestion in other roads in the intersection.



Sybil Attack – Strategic adversary (VISSIM Simulation)

- Adversary spoofs a fake CAV.
- The rear end constraint was modified by adding a large bias as the following:
- Velocity reference for spoofed CAV was set to maximum value.
- *Spoofed CAV* eventually *overtakes* normal CAV ahead; result: *collision* between *physical CAV following it* and *physical CAV originally ahead of it*.



Conclusion and future works

- Our future plans:
 - Relax the assumption of *perfect communication*.
 - Incorporate *attack resilience* in these SOTA coordination and control algorithms.
 - Design *attack detection and mitigation techniques* against V2X communication attacks.

The End

Please share any questions you have.