

Transport Research Institute, Edinburgh Napier University

and

Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.

Workshop on

Autonomous vehicles and a new era of the transportation system

Friday 14th September 2018

Merchiston Classroom

Autonomous vehicles are rapidly becoming a reality in the modern world. Through rising companies and technology advancement a shift in the automotive industry is rapidly observed. The technology for self-driving vehicles is already there. It is not going to be long before autonomous vehicles hit our roads. Implications of autonomous vehicles and self-driving scenarios on the society, safety, traffic management cannot be ignored. Further, assessing implications of such technologies needs major thinking and considerations. There have been many studies and research carried out to analyse the legal, practical and technological requirements to implement and adopt fully autonomous vehicles into the modern traffic model. There are still many gaps and related research questions need further considerations.

This workshop is organized jointly by Transport Research Institute at Edinburgh Napier University and Dr. Akito Higatani, Hanshin Expressway Company who is currently a visiting Post Doc working with Professor Wafaa Saleh. The aim of the workshop is to bring together researchers and practitioners to elaborate on the potential, implications and future scenarios of autonomous vehicles.

There are few available places available at the workshop which will be assigned on first come first served ethics.

Programme

Edinburgh Napier University and Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.

Programme of workshop on 14th September 2018 (latest draft)

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Time	Speaker	Title of Presentation/ notes
	Chair: Professor Wafaa Saleh	
09:00 - 09:10	Edinburgh Napier University welcome	Opening speech
09:10 - 09:15	Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd. welcome	Opening speech

Session I: Hanshin Expressway		
	Chair: Associate Professor Yasuhiro Shiomi	
09:15 - 09:40	Mr Takumi Uno, Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.	Outline of Hanshin Expressway: Aiming at advanced highway service
	Mr Takashi Kodama, Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.	A study on the advanced traffic data and management in the era of autonomous vehicles
09:40 - 10:05	Associate Prof. Jan-Dirk Schmocker, Kyoto University	Long-term Hanshin Expressway demand trends considering Japanese demographic changes
10:05 - 10:30	Dr. Akito Higatani and Professor Wafaa Saleh, Edinburgh Napier University	Can we model autonomous vehicle reliably in microsimulation?
10:30 - 10:50	Coffee break + Poster session	

Session II: Societal implications of automation		
	Chair: Associate Professor Jan-Dirk Schmocker	
10:50 - 11:15	Professor Yasuo Asakura, Tokyo Institute of	Smart ridesharing transport with autonomous vehicles

	Technology	
11:15 - 11:40	Associate Prof. Hiroshi Shimamoto, Miyazaki University	Activity-based evaluation model for a ride-sharing system: Application of evaluation the effect of spreading autonomous vehicles
11:40 - 12:05	Associate Professor Zia Wadud, Leeds University	Help or hindrance? The travel, energy and carbon implications of automated vehicles
12:05 – 13:10	Lunch + Poster session	

	Session III: Implications of automation on traffic control	
	Chair: Associate Prof. Achille Fonzone	
13:10 - 13:35	Professor Masao Kuwahara, Tohoku University	Traffic monitoring using various sensing data under a disaster
13:35 - 14:00	Professor Fumitaka Kurauchi, Gifu University	Dynamic traffic control on urban expressway by flexible fare adjustment
14:00 - 14:25	Professor Toshio Yoshii, Ehime University	Effective traffic management for minimizing the accident risk
14:25 - 14:50	Ms. Nicolette Formosa, Loughborough University	Predicting real-time traffic conflicts using deep learning
14:50 - 15:10	Coffee break and Poster session	

	Session IV: Assessment of Implications of Automation	
	Chair: Associate Professor Hiroshi Shimamoto	
15:10 - 15:35	Dr. John C Bullas	Opportunities to exploit operational data from automobile systems in the prediction of visibility, skidding resistance and other safety critical parameters..... discuss
15:35 - 16:00	Associate Prof. Yasuhiro Shiomi, Ritsumeikan University	Multi-class traffic state estimation based on data fusion approach

16:00 - 16:15	Dr. Ryota Horiguchi, i-Transport Lab. Co., Ltd	Impact assessment of autonomous vehicles on expressways using microscopic traffic simulation model
16:15 - 16:30	Mr. Norihito Shinkai, Regional Futures Research Center Co., Ltd	Investigation of measures to congestion occurrence by speed control with variational theory

16:30 - 17:30	Session IV: Conclusions, discussions and closing session	
	Chair: Professor Wafaa Saleh	

Poster Presentations

Poster author	Title of Presentation
Mr. Takumi Uno, Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.	Generation of real-time accident risk information and application to traffic control
Mr. Hiroyuki Masumoto, Hanshin Expressway Co., Ltd.	Effect of the moving light guidance system in urban expressway for traffic congestion mitigation
Mr. Takehiro Nishi, Hanshin Expressway R&D Co., Ltd.	Application of ETC data for precise quantified estimation of mischoice of expressway exit
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