Towards an Integrated In-Vehicle Isolation and Resilience Framework for Connected Autonomous Vehicles

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Isolation and Resilience in Networks of Autonomous Vehicles

Autonomous Vehicles require:

• In-vehicle **connectivity** between sensors, ECUs, OBUs
• Vehicle to Vehicle **connectivity**
• Vehicle to Roadside Infrastructure and broadband cloud **connectivity**

More Connectivity ➔ Larger Attack Surface

In-vehicle communication:

• Diversity of Equipment
• Diversity coding practices
• Unrestricted on-board communication

Network and Equipment level ➔ Possibility of Compromise
In-Vehicle Isolation and Resilience

Tackling security challenges of In-Vehicle Networks:
- Standards to tackle diversity ➔ AUTOSAR standard
- Isolation for tackle integrity and confidentiality ➔ Trusted Execution Environment
- Security rules to monitor the In-Vehicle network ➔ protection from injection and replay attacks
- Functional Rules ➔ detect abnormalities of behaviour
- Side Channel ➔ revealing attempts of side channel attacks

Certification:
- Certificate reflecting the health of the in-vehicle network
- Details for every target of monitoring (security and functional)
Overview of AUTOSAR

- Application Layer: Software components of the ECU
- Runtime Environment: Communication between ECUs and between the Application and BSW
- Basic Software (BSW): Includes system functionalities (Operating system, drivers, memory services) and interfaces the Microcontroller.
Reference Architecture of Isolation and Resilience Framework
Mapping Our Framework to AUTOSAR
Outlook and Future Work

• Adopting an open source implementation of AUTOSAR for Virtual ECUs
• Using CLIPS Rule engine for security and functional rules
• Using Open Enclave for TEE
• Using JSON for the representation of certificates
• Simulating an In-Vehicle network and evaluating the framework