

REGULATING AUTONOMOUS CARS: A TECHNOLOGY ORIENTED LEGAL APPROACH

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WHAT ARE AUTONOMOUS CARS?

- Not “Knight Rider”, Not even Herby.
- An aggregation of technologies:
 - Sophisticated sensors.
 - AI Based - Picture recognition and Decision Tree algorithms.
 - Connectivity.

AUTONOMOUS CARS BECOME A “CURRENT” ISSUE

- 18 March Tempe Arizona accident reveals gaps in current regulatory regime:
 - Liability is unclear (Identity, Standards, applicable rules).
 - Privacy is unclear

CURRENT REGULATION IS INSUFFICIENT

- **No** Federal regulation - NHTSA recommendations are vague.
- State regulation is a 3 page executive order (2018-04):
 - The vehicle must achieve a reasonably safe state...
 - Complying with all Arizona traffic and safety laws.
 - Meeting all applicable certificate... and insurance requirements.
 - Instructs the Departments of Public Safety to work with other relevant law enforcement agencies to develop protocols on how first responders shall interact with a fully autonomous vehicle in emergency and traffic enforcement situations.
 - In addition, the vehicle must meet all applicable certificate, title registration, and licensing and insurance requirements.

CURRENT REGULATION IS INSUFFICIENT

- **No** clear rules of liability - no legal precedent, no directly applicable laws.
- Privacy laws are not clearly applicable.

ACADEMIC DISCOURSE

- Various articles about different topics - privacy, cybersecurity, liability, ethics etc.
 - No complete regulation scheme.
 - Do not provide a holistic solution.
 - Applicable to current technologies.
 - Theories do not necessarily coexist.

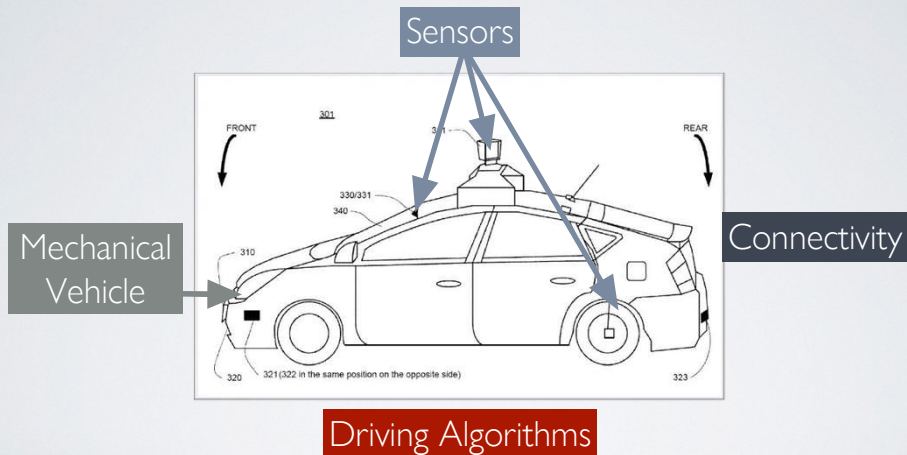
REGULATION BRINGS TRUST

- The societal value of Autonomous Vehicles is clear (lives, infrastructure, resources, medicine, equality).
- Public acceptance is dependent on trust.
- Regulation is required for trust.

REGULATING THE TECHNOLOGIES

- Dividing the end product into the constructing technologies.
- Defining each technology up to the level required for regulation.
- Identifying the legal issues relevant for each technology.
- Addressing the legal issues for each technology separately.

DEFINING THE “SELF DRIVING VEHICLE”



IDENTIFYING THE LEGAL ISSUES

- **Sensors:**
 - Privacy.
 - Cybersecurity.
- **Algorithms:**
 - Liability.
 - Ethics.
 - Risk Management.
- **Connectivity:**
 - Cybersecurity.
 - Collective action.
 - Antitrust.

REGULATING SENSORS

- A legal problem with precedents:
 - CCTV in the UK.
 - Google Street View (legislation + rulings).
 - GPS Tracking - US Supreme Court.

REGULATING SENSORS

- Identifiable Issues:
 - Location of Cameras.
 - Types of cameras and amount of usage.
 - Data retention.
 - Security and Cybersecurity.

Thank You