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#### SOCIAL FACTORS RELATED TO AUTOMATED VEHICLES

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## TRUST IN THE AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE (AV)



- Consumer distrust of the technology
- Not being in control
- Apprehension from mishaps



## FEAR OF THE AV



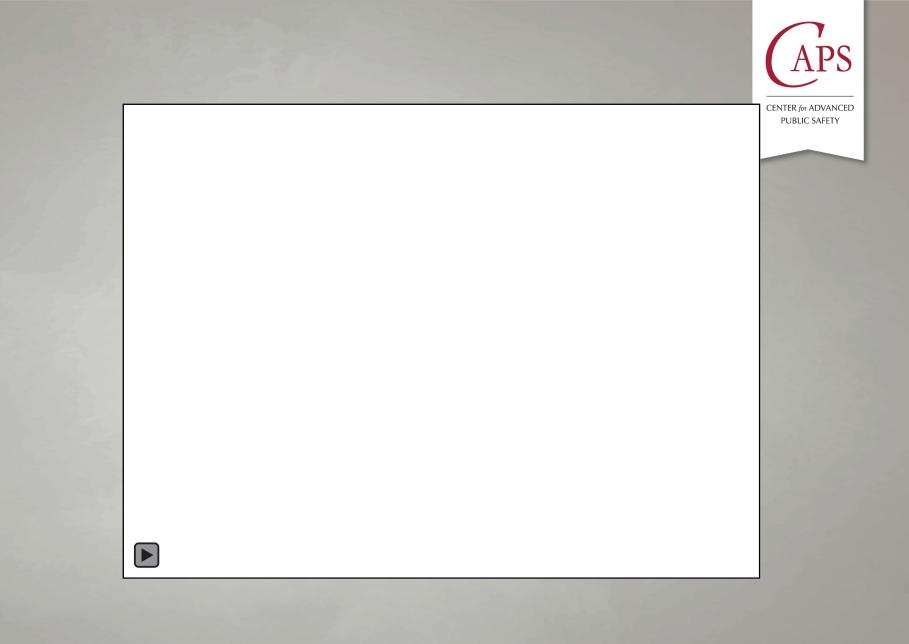
- AAA survey
  - ✓ 78% afraid to ride in an AV
- AIG survey
  - ✓ 41% don't want to share road with AVs
- MIT and JD Powers and Assoc. studies
  - Public becoming less trusting over the last two years

## **CONSUMER DISTRUST**



- Hypothesis: Familiarity will ease anxiety
- Choreographed rides: 180
   degree change in attitude







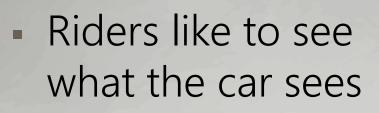


#### Voice

- Humanizing the AV
- Want the car to "hear"
- Hand gesture recognitio



## VISUALS



 Understanding why the vehicle does what it does is important





# CONTROL

- Want the car to do what they would do
- Machine learning of preferred driving styles
- System learns what the rider wants
- The car adapts to the person
- Algorithm aversion







### ANXIETY OF THOSE OUTSIDE THE AV

- Pedestrians and people in non-AVs
- Can the AV "see" me?
- Light bar patterns
- Standards of communication very important!



#### ETHICAL DILEMMAS



- "Trolley" Problem
- AVs: Save the most lives
- Own cars: Passenger safety first

# **OTHER CONCERNS**



 Hacking

 Vehicle control and data privacy

 Safety

 Examples of AV

accidents



### UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS



- Driver still needs to pay attention
- Overestimation of autonomy
- Clearly communicate strengths and weaknesses
- Calibrated trust
- It's not magic!!!!!

# **EMBRACING THE AV**



- Trust in the technology
- Confidence in its use
- Convergence of societal and environmental pressures



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#### **THANK YOU**

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