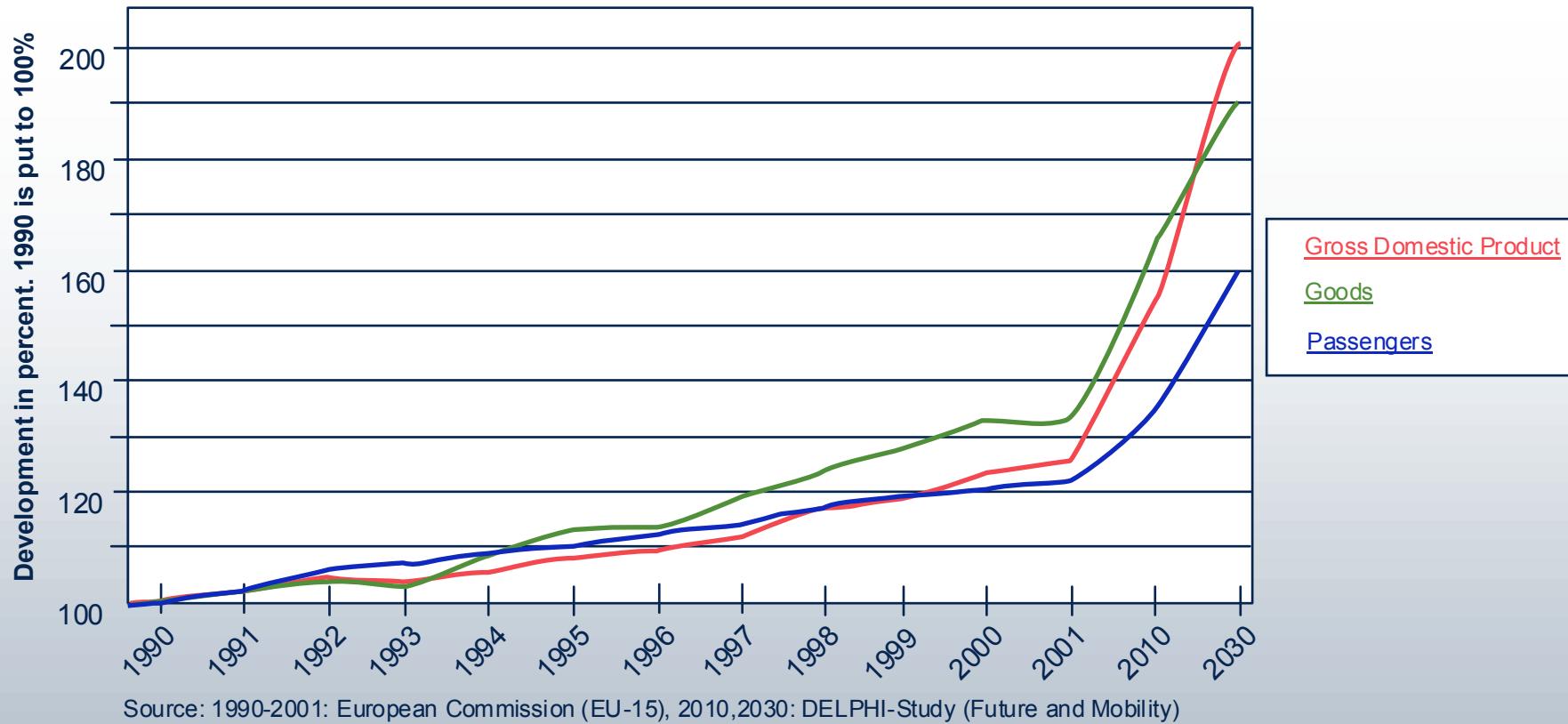


# **Car2Car Communication Consortium**

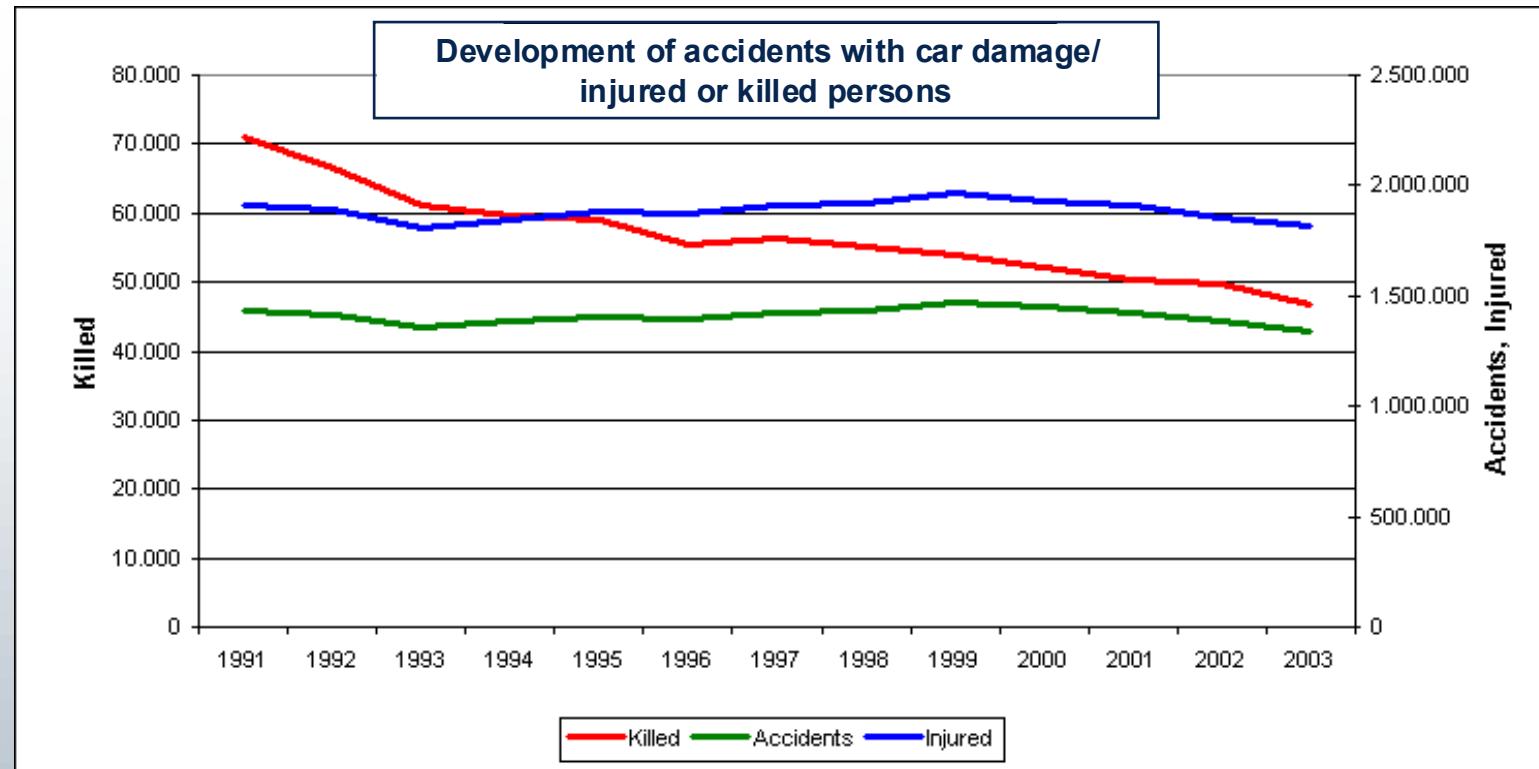
**Objectives and potential applications of  
Car-2-Car Communications**

# Transport Growth in the European Union



- Economic Growth will lead to increased traffic volume
- Transport growth involves more traffic congestions
- ➡ Efficiency must be improved

# Traffic Accidents in the European Union

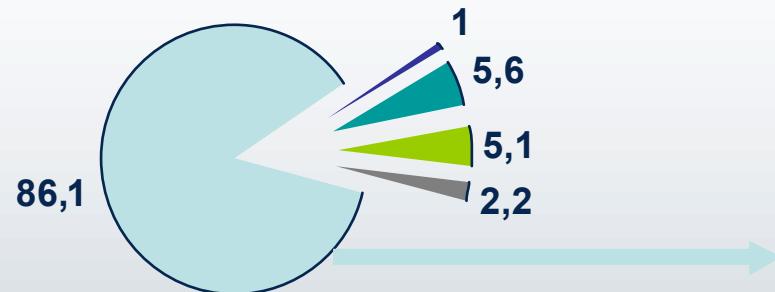


- Over the last decades passive safety systems have helped to reduce the number of fatalities.
- The further reduction of severe accidents will be achieved by adding active safety systems to vehicles.

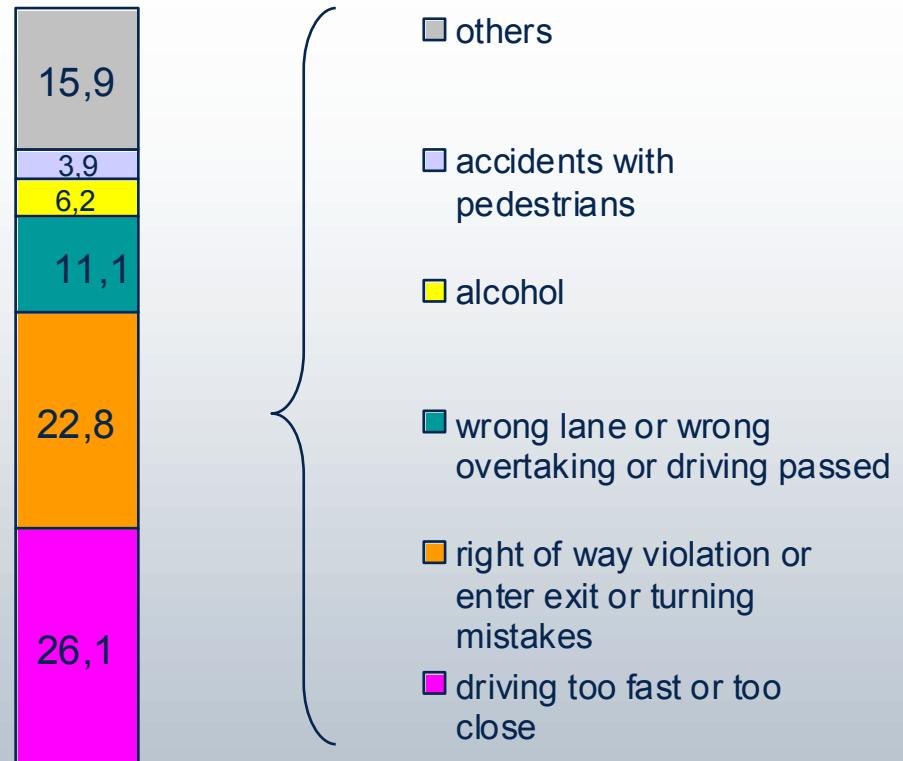
# Causes for Traffic Accidents

## Traffic accidents - 2003

### Reasons for accidents with injured persons <sup>1)</sup>



- driver <sup>2)</sup>
- vehicle <sup>2) 3)</sup>
- pedestrians
- road conditions
- other



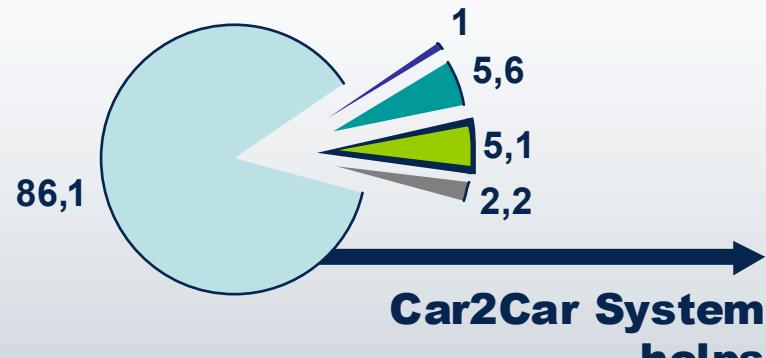
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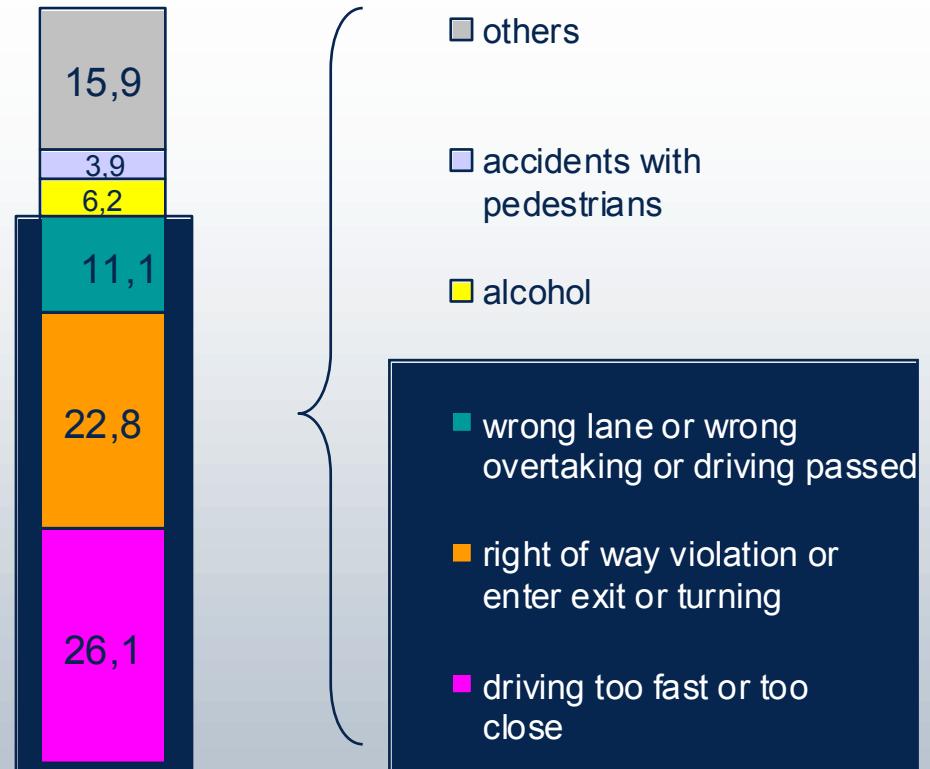
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# Situations calling for more Information

What happened?



What's behind the bend?

Where  
are you?



Virtual Caravan

# Conventional Sensors are Limited

**Radar, laser scanner, ultrasonic or vision based systems** support current safety and comfort applications such as

- Adaptive Cruise Control
- Parking Assistance
- Lane-keeping applications



**Usual sensors have disadvantages, they ...**

- Sense only close vehicles in the line of sight
- Don't detect hidden and unrecognised relevant objects
- Are expensive

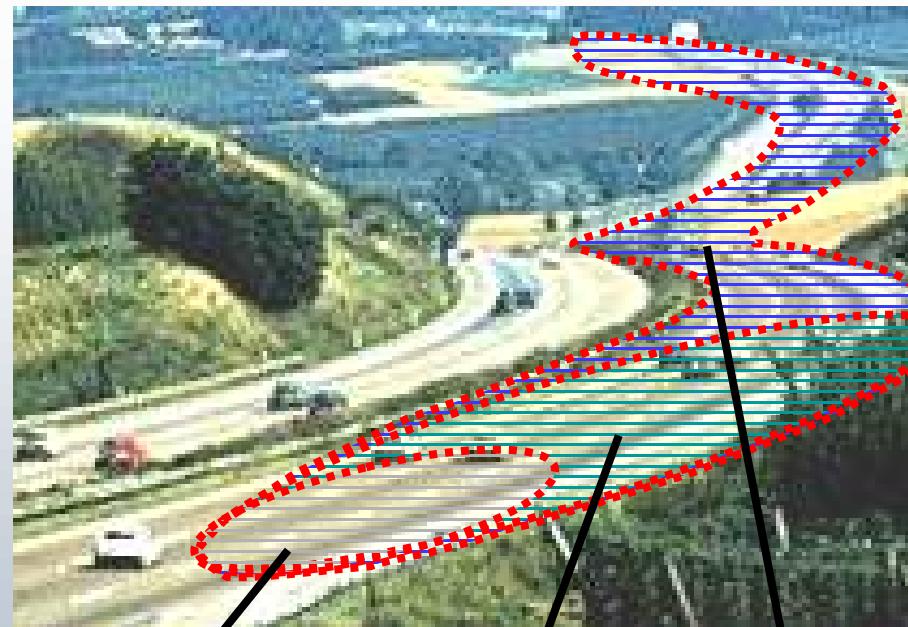
# Idea: Extending the Driver's Horizon

The Car2Car Communication System is a new 'sensor':

- look further ahead in distance
- get information earlier
- extract relevant information



**Driver  
is one step ahead**

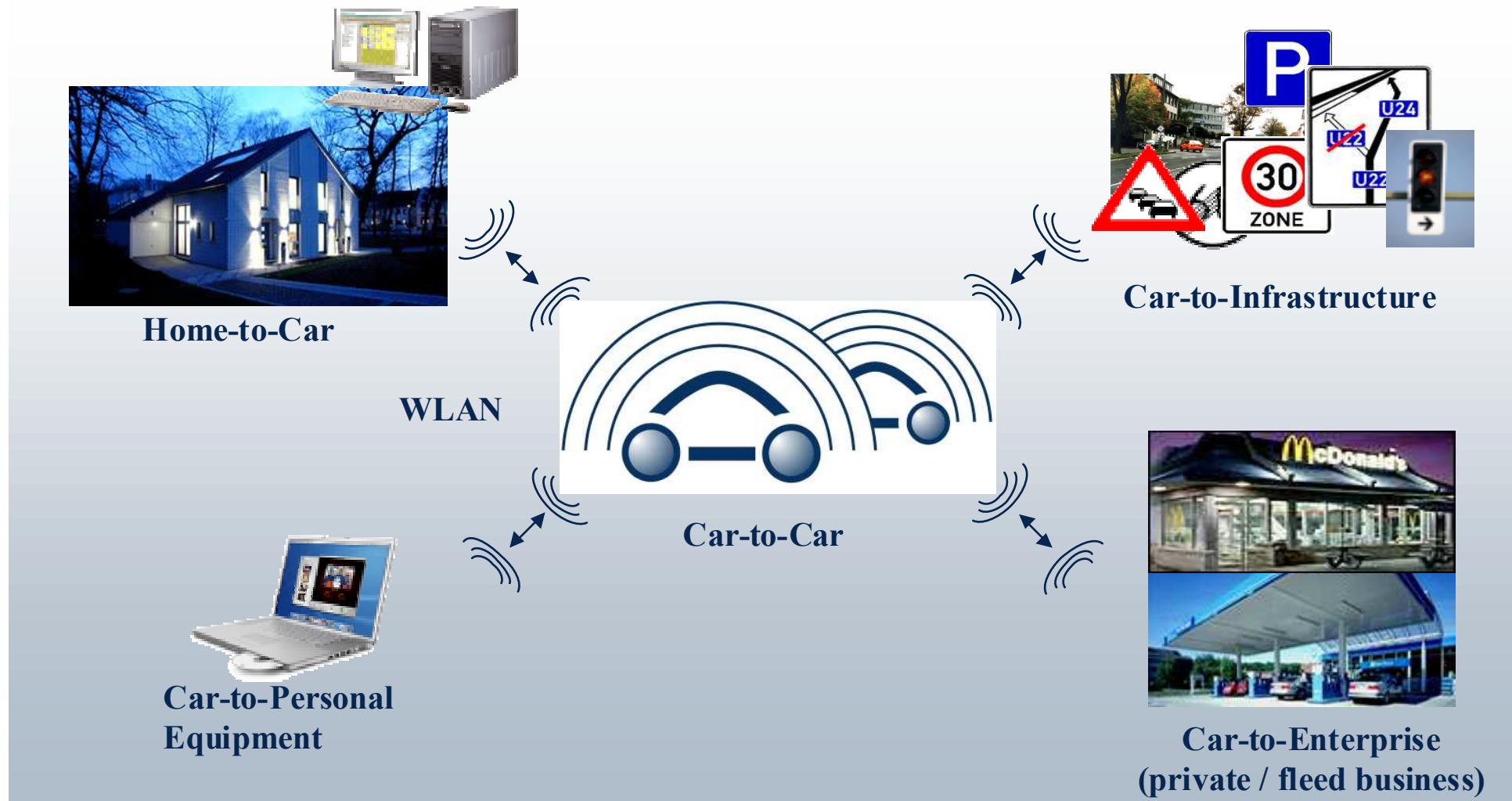


**Simple sensors:**  
Worse than the driver

**Communication:**  
Better than the driver

**Complex sensors:**  
As good as the driver

# Interconnection of Vehicles and Environment



# Car2Car Applications

## Safety

- Inter-vehicle hazard warning
- Road construction warning
- Intersection assistance

## Mobility and Efficiency

- Decentralised floating car data
- Traffic performance assistance

## Benefits

- ⇒ Increased safety by extending the driver's horizon
- ⇒ Higher mobility and improved traffic flow through up to date traffic data
- ⇒ Applications are reliable also on rural roads and urban areas

# Examples



**Car2Car Communication will help you in situations such as**

- an obstacle behind a curve



- low visibility



- low friction on rural roads



- road construction



# Wireless Local Danger Warning



## Hazard Detection

- By driver's action
- By sensor data fusion

## Warning Distribution

- Sending standardised messages
- Direct and fast communication with vehicles in the vicinity
- Multi-hop communication with vehicles located farther away

## Driver Assistance

- In time with respect to actual situation



# Road Construction Warning



## Problems

- Many accidents occur in road construction
- Lane closures or speed limits are frequently changing information and cannot be provided by digital maps

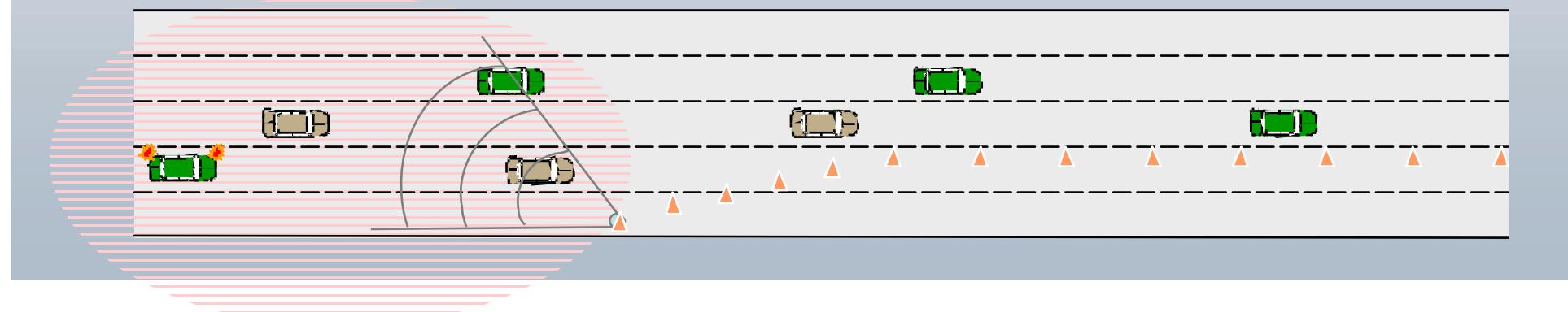
## Solution

- Special cones in road construction can be equipped with communication units sending out information about lane closures or speed limits
- The Car2Car Communication System receives this information and assists the driver



 Vehicles without  
Car2Car Communication System

 Vehicles with  
Car2Car Communication System



# Intersection Assistance



## Problem

- Complex intersection situations cause right of way violations or enter, exit and turning mistakes

## Solution

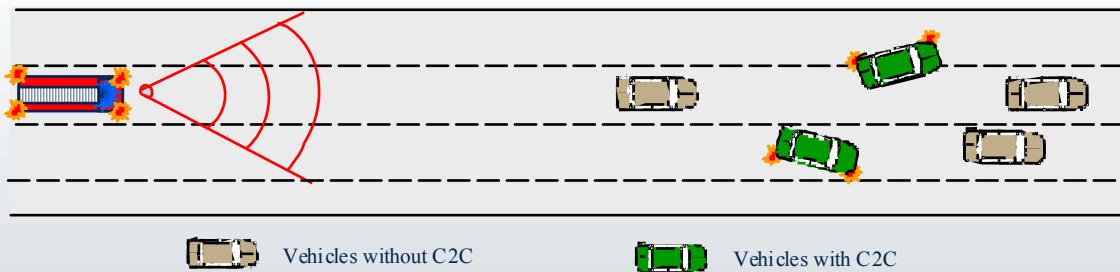
- An infrastructure system collects and processes the status of the traffic based on sensors and messages from vehicles
- The condensed information is transmitted
- The Car2Car Communication System receives this information and assists the driver



# Special Vehicles in Operation

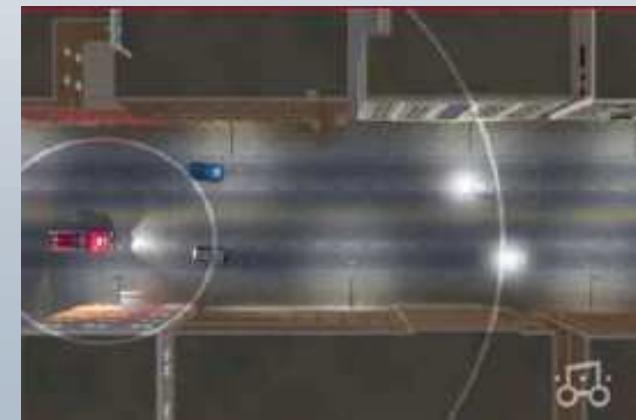
## Problem

- Special vehicles in operation are often obstructed by other road users



## Solution

- Car2Car System warns the driver in time and assists him for proper reaction



# Traffic Performance Assistance

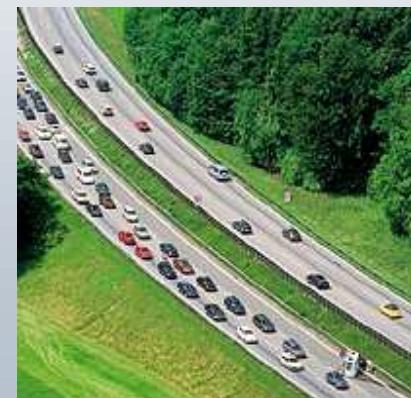
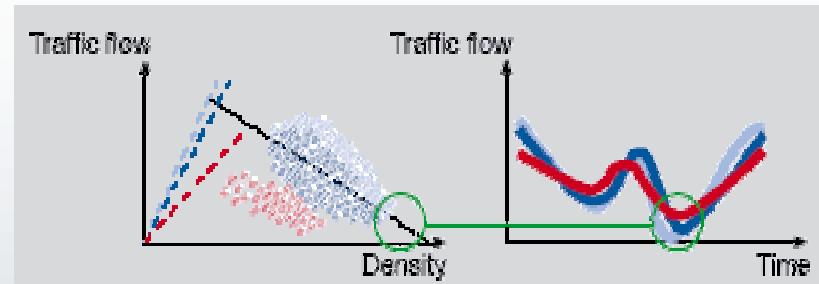


## Problem

- High traffic load causes traffic jams and stop-and-go waves

## The Car2Car Communication System contributes to

- maintaining high traffic flows in merging manoeuvres by communication and co-operation
- damping of stop-and-go waves by foresighted and traffic adaptive driving
- rapid dissipation of jams by inflow and outflow management

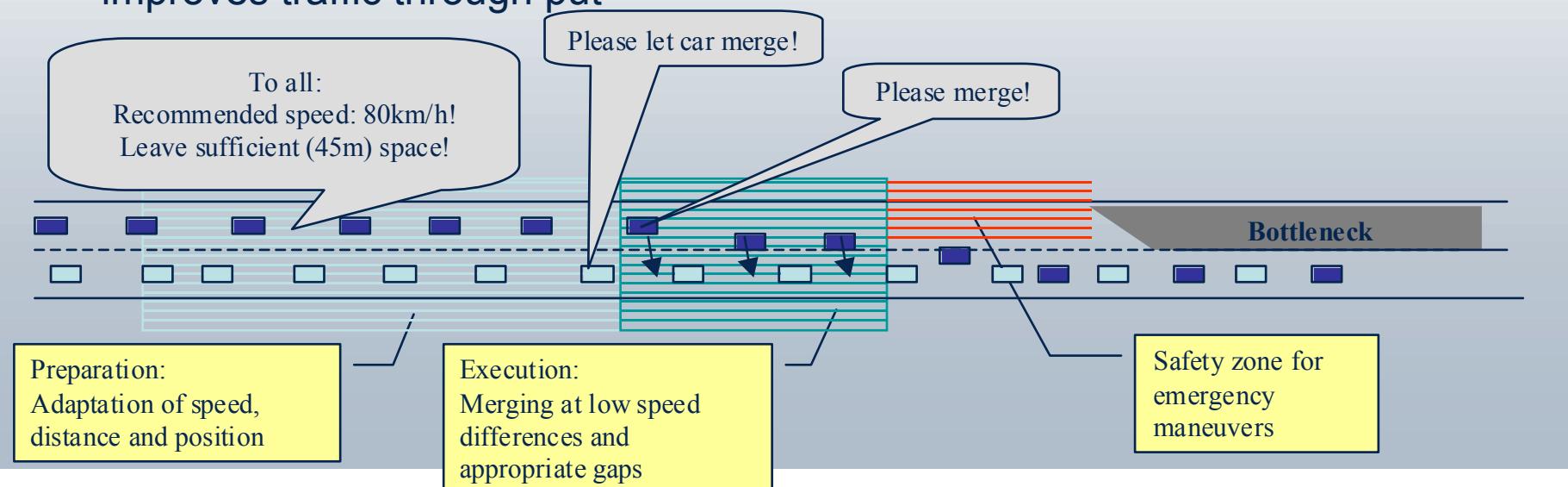


# Merging Area Assistance



## The Car2Car Communication System

- assists the driver to approach the merging area with an adapted speed
- assists the driver to optimally change to the un-blocked lane
- speeds up merging process at intersections and lane reductions
- improves traffic through put

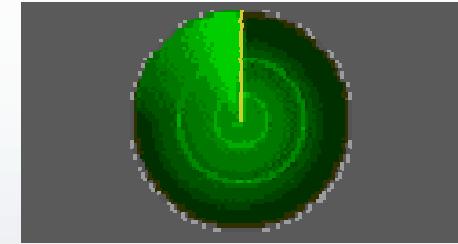


# Predictive Driving



Driver is enabled to react earlier, in a safe and better way by

- Sensing,
- Data communication and
- Data fusion



providing relevant information earlier, even in conditions where drivers will not sense themselves.

Benefit starts at about 5% penetration rate

# Harmonised Driving

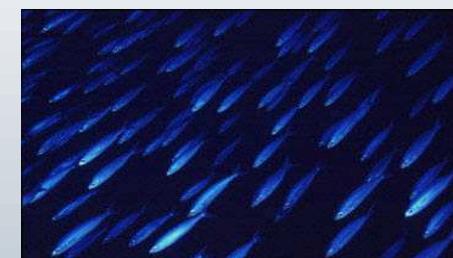
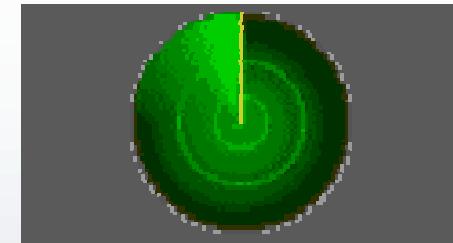


Acting to avoid detrimental behaviour

Drivers are assisted to adapt their drive style for

- higher traffic efficiency
- better fuel economy
- avoidance of safety-critical situations

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# Cooperative Driving

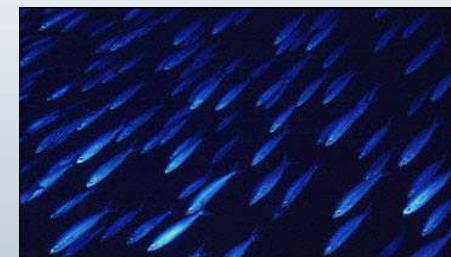
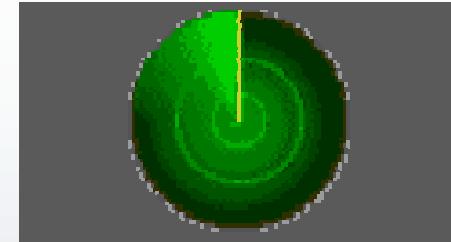


Driver Assistance bringing it all together

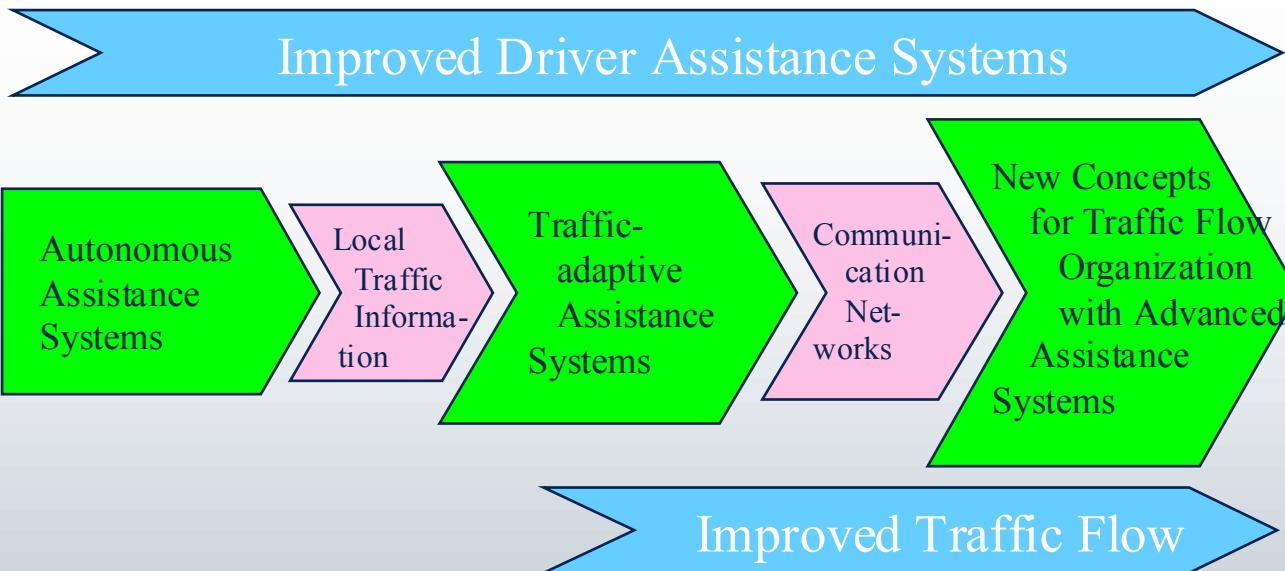
Car2Car Systems negotiate their driving manoeuvres for

- higher road safety and
- Increased road efficiency.

Needs very high penetration rate up to 100%



# Outlook



Traffic Performance Assistance is a first approach to Cooperative Driving and an application for Ubiquitous Computing in traffic!

Car2Car Communication will change the social system of traffic and will support more safe and efficient driving in future!