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# Overview of UnCoVerCPS

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# Examples of Cyber-Physical Systems



automated driving

source: Carnegie Mellon University



human-robot  
collaboration

source: Rethink Robotics



smart grids

source: Siemens



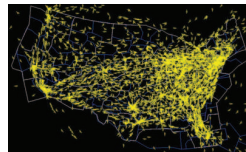
automated farming

source: Kesmac



surgical robots

source: daVinci



air traffic control

source: NASA

**Emerging technologies are increasingly safety- or operation-critical!**

# EU Project UnCoVerCPS: Partners



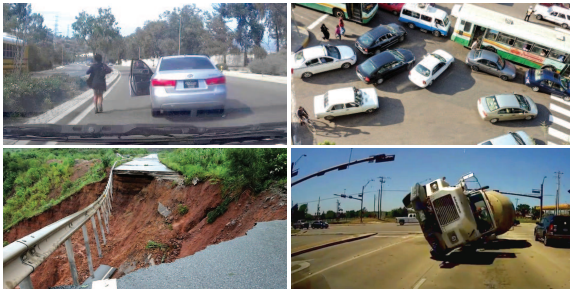
Unifying Control and Verification of Cyber-Physical  
Systems  
(UnCoVerCPS)

Funding: 4.9 mio Euro

Participant organisation name	Country
Technische Universität München (TUM)	Germany
Université Joseph Fourier Grenoble 1 (UJF)	France
Universität Kassel (UKS)	Germany
Politecnico di Milano (PoliMi)	Italy
GE Global Research Europe (GE)	Germany
Robert Bosch GmbH (Bosch)	Germany
Esterel Technologies (ET)	France
Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR)	Germany
Tecnalia (Tec)	Spain
R.U.Robots Limited (RUR)	United Kingdom

# Expect the Unexpected

How to ensure safety in uncertain environments?

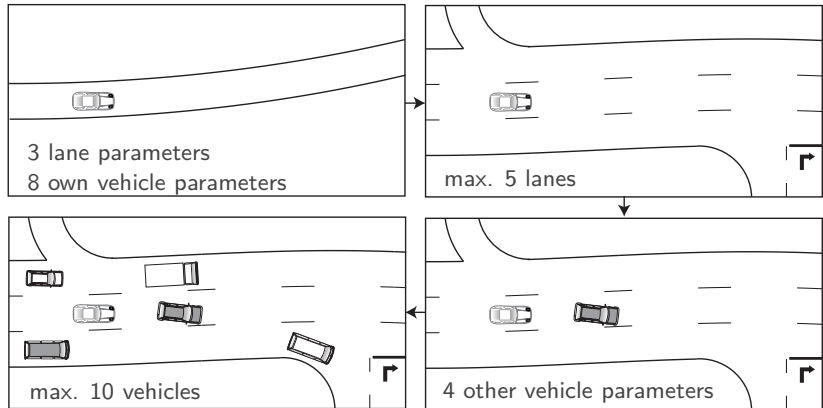


Automated driving: classical testing [N. Kalra and S. M. Paddock (2016)]

- 440 million km to demonstrate better performance than humans (95% confidence).
- 12.5 years with 100 test vehicles continuously driving.

# Possible Traffic Situations: A Rough Estimation

We assume that each variable of the verification problem has 20 values.



$$(20^3)^5 \cdot (20^4)^{10} \cdot 20^8 \approx 9.2 \cdot 10^{81} \text{ scenarios}$$

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**Impact:** Reduced costs, fewer liability claims, enabling safe autonomy.

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- A new development process that reduces development time and costs for critical cyber-physical systems.

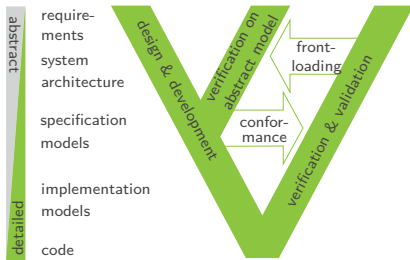


# Beyond Online Verification

Unification of control and verification has also big potential for offline design:

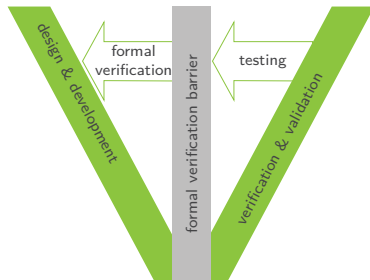
## Front loading of verification

30% reduction of development time through front loading



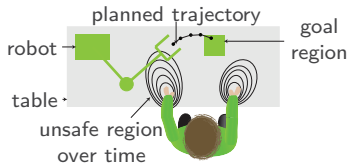
## Formal verification barrier

E.g., 12.5 years of testing for autonomous vehicles

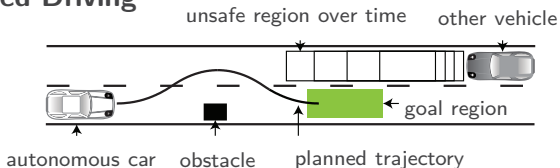


# Problem Statement of Our Use Cases

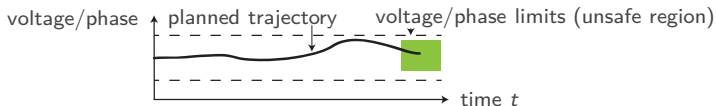
## Human-Robot Co-Existence



## Automated Driving

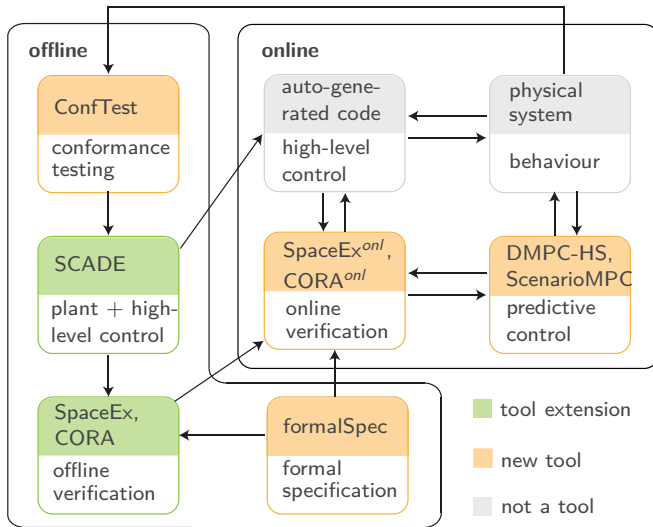


## Smart Grid (similar for wind turbine)



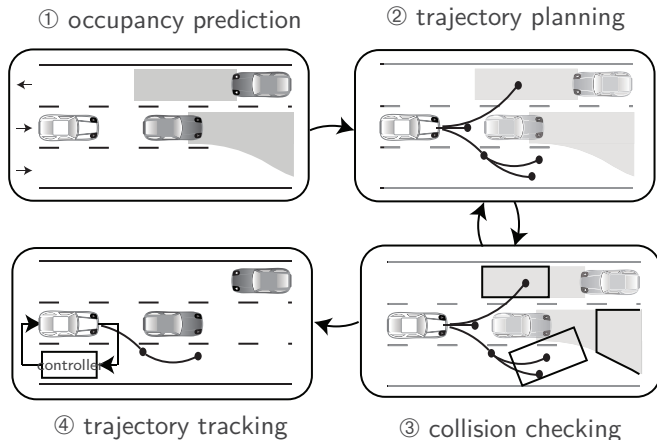


# Tool chain of UnCoVerCPS



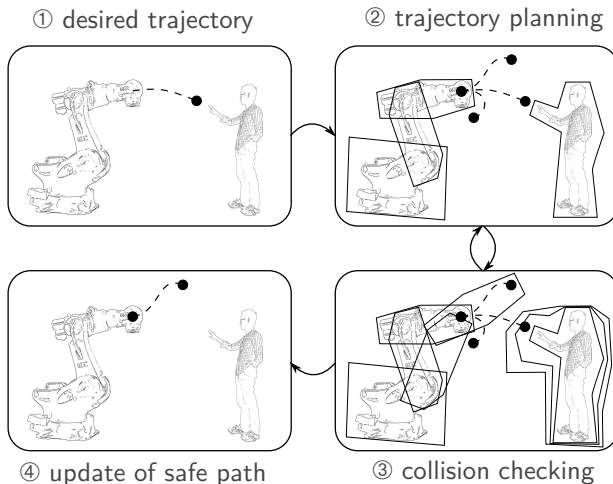
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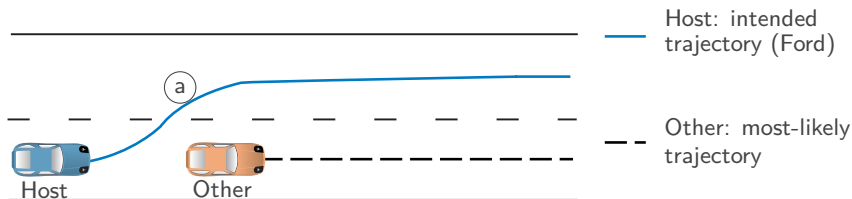
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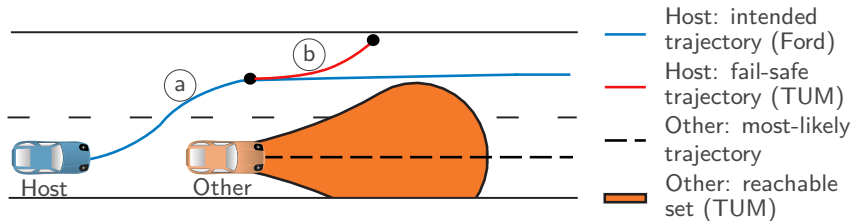
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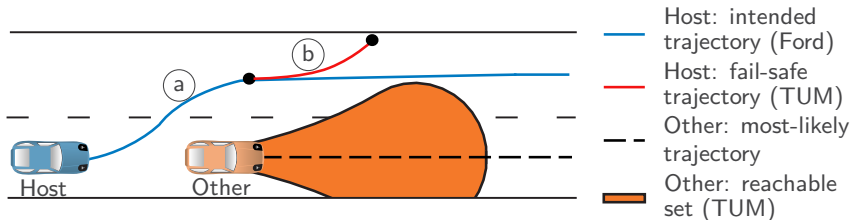
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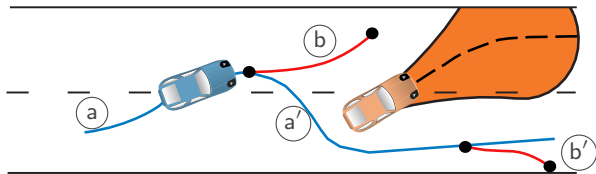


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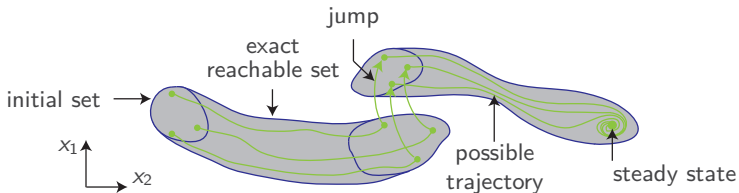
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# Reachable Sets

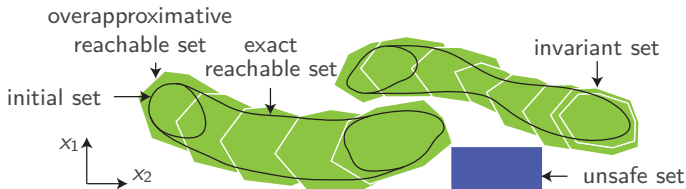


## Informal Definition

A reachable set is the set of states that can be reached by a dynamical system in finite or infinite time for a

- set of initial states,
- uncertain inputs,
- and uncertain parameters.

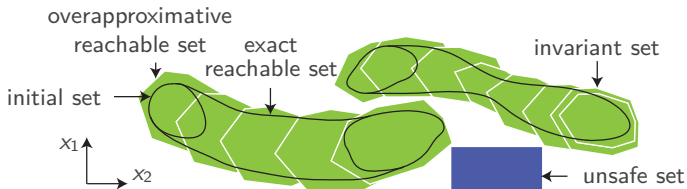
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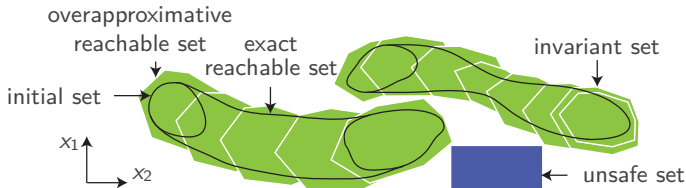


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- We combine our expertise to establish a unique toolchain for future development of cyber-physical systems.



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