V2X: Emergency Medical Service



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Context and state-of-the-art

- The management team needs to deploy and configure the web application in the emergency institution;
- Create all the necessary user and administrative accounts;
- Review error logs;
- Update the system.

When an accident happens, the selected team will receive a notification:

- Review the data sent and assess the gravity of the accident;
- Send what means they deem necessary ranging from police officers, paramedics and, firefighters -> it will be possible to see them heading to the scene in the webapp.

Context and state-of-the-art

5GCar:

- European driving aid project;
- Detects vulnerable road users;
- Warn cars of their position to avoid collisions.

eCall:

- European initiative;
- When it detects an accident it sends a message to the 112 number with some information attached.

Backscatter communication (Boosting Crosswalk Awareness):

- Warning cars when a nearby zebra crossing is in use;
- Passive sensors;
- Communicate with cars through vehicle networks.





Requirements Gathering

To gather as many ideas as possible and identify viable solutions to our problem:

- Find related work;
- Meetings with the colleagues who developed the previous version of the system to understand what we have in hands.
- A brainstorm was performed;

After that we decided to add new features like:

- Add denms Decentralized Environmental Notification Messages
- Vehicle service Module that sends messages
- Improve the gateway selection algorithm
- Add live location of emergency vehicles in web app maps
- Add new statistics about the accidents
- Add new car details such as number of persons in the car and their position

Actors

The target users are emergency institutions such as police, medical services and firefighters/paramedics.

The main actors are:

Emergency Institution Administration Team



Functional requirements

- All the vehicles and nearby photoage sources involved (crashed cars, gateway vehicle & street cameras) must be equipped with a vehicular communication system;
- A camera needs to be integrated on the gateway vehicle in order to record images of the accident;
- Improve the decision algorithm of the gateway car for a relevant image of the accident;

Functional requirements

- To access the information that comes from the gateway vehicle, new functionalities must be created in a web app for that purpose;
- Receive up-to-date information for emergency services follow-up;
- There will be a separation of information to be shown to each user. Therefore, each user must have an account.



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- Usability: the web application must be easy to use so that the data is understood as quickly as possible by users;
- Reliability: The fact that the system handles emergency cases, has a direct impact on the importance of the system to perform its required functions without failing;
- Efficiency: the system must be able to process and display all the information from the accidented car to the web application in 5 seconds or less;



Non-functional requirements

- Capacity: the web app must be able to analyze and keep records of several accidents at the same time;
- **Availability**: since the system is designed to help in emergency situations it must have at least 99% uptime so that no help request is lost;
- Security: the web application and the roadside unit's internet interface must be secure and robust against attackers;
- Recoverability: in the event of a crash or malfunction, resetting should be easy and painless;
- Maintainability: the system and the web application should be easy to maintain and upgrade.

Dependencies and Assumptions

- A permanent internet connection is needed for the emergency services to access all the data;
- A server capable enough to handle all the information;
- The hardware can't be damaged when the accident happens;
- The emergency vehicles must be able to send CAM messages to inform where they are located.



Base available diagram



Current deployment diagram



Web App deployment diagram









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DENM - Decentralized Environmental Notification Message

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Allows OBUs to notify nearby cars and RSUs that they had an accident

Base communication module

New communication module

- Sends CAMs periodically (10 times per second)
- Useful information about the accident is inside an extra container in the CAM
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- Sends CAMs periodically (10 times per second)
- Sends 1 DENM when detects an accident
- CAMs and DENMs are standard
- The DENM message contains all the relevant information about the accident



Base gateway selection New gateway selection algorithm

- The cars are evaluated based on the fact that they are behind the crashed car therefore this algorithm is only useful if there is a car behind the accident
- Takes into account the path taken by all cars involved
- The cars will be evaluated based on their point of view during and before the accident
- This way the car with better footage will be chosen



Base camera submodule

New camera submodule

- Sends the last 12 seconds until the moment of the accident
- Sends 6 seconds before and after the moment of the accident (12 seconds video)
- Ability to provide livestream to the Web App



Information about the accident being sent to the web app



Video/livestream of the accident being sent to the web app

Improved Web App

- Live location of emergency services (possible by using an optimized database to store live information)
- Graphs with useful information about the accidents (how many per day, maps with dangerous zones)
- In the severity calculation take into account the current weather
- Web App can request footage
- Web App can talk with emergency vehicles

Message Flow



Domain Model



THANKS! Any questions?

