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	Intersections with Transit Signal Priority
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Brief Description of	Connected and Autonomous Vehicles (CAVs) refer to a series of
Research Project	applications, services, and technologies that enable vehicles to
	communicate with other vehicles and infrastructures in their
	vicinity and be "driven" autonomously. The development of CAVs
	will have a profound impact in the transportation systems around
	the world.
	In the last decade, a lot of research has been conducted to
	investigate the impact of CAVs' technology development in the
	transportation field. At the macro level, the economic, social and
	environmental impacts of CAVs development have been studied. At



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the micro level, research mainly focused on the impact of various specific CAVs technologies. The results showed that the development of CAVs technology can significantly improve the performance of transportation systems, thus bringing us a better city.

It has been generally accepted that transit signal priority can greatly help in developing a more sustainable, equitable and efficient transportation system. Therefore, with the advanced development of the CAVs, it is very important to study the impact of CAVs on the transit priority-based transportation system.

The main purpose of transit priority is to provide higher quality transit services to the public. The implementation measures include the formulation of policies to prioritize public transportation, the provision of financial subsidies for public transportation, the construction of high accessible public transportation system, and the granting of priority to public transportation on the roads, etc.

The goal of this study is to investigate the impact of CAVs development on the traffic performance of signalized intersections with Transit Signal Priority (TSP). Several simulation-based experiments will be conducted to examine the impact of CAVs development. To achieve the goal, an appropriate signalized



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	intersection with TSP will be selected from the real world and
	relevant data will be collected and used to develop the simulation
	model. Several scenarios will be designed in which different market
	penetration rates of CAVs will be explicitly accounted for.
	Comprehensive simulation experiments will be conducted, and the
	experimental data gathered will be analyzed to identify the
	differences of traffic performance under different scenarios. This
	study will help gain a deeper understanding of the impact of CAVs
	development on the traffic performance of signalized intersections
	with TSP.
Describe Implementation	
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