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Preface

The rise of connected cars and software-defined vehicles has revolutionized the automotive industry, but it comes with a surge in cybersecurity threats. Thus, cybersecurity becomes paramount for the OEMs, suppliers and users.

This monthly report is focused on "Cybersecurity in Mobility" including applications in Electric Vehicles, Autonomous Vehicles, Software Defined Vehicles, UAVs, Drones, Aircrafts, Fleets, etc. This report is a free resource for anyone working in this domain including technologists, innovators, Intellectual Property (IP) managers, strategy makers, etc. The report contains curated insights and summaries of the latest news and key patents published in the last one month, including the latest products, business updates, collaborations, new innovations, etc.



Key Insights

- □ Vodafone Automotive and PlaxidityX's partnership on an Al-based anti-theft solution sets a new standard in Al-based security, enhancing protection against advanced car theft techniques and increasing customer trust.
- ☐ Following the ongoing trend, SK Hynix earned TISAX certification for their memory chips, while Electreon received ISO/SAE 21434 certification, enhancing cybersecurity in their wireless EV charging systems. These certifications ensure the security and compliance of connected vehicles and EV charging infrastructures.
- ☐ The Indian Defense Minister announced a budget increase to strengthen the Indian Coast Guard's (ICG) cybersecurity, aiming to boost the ICG's capabilities in addressing cyber threats by increasing readiness, resilience, and potentially setting a benchmark for other defense organizations to follow.
- ☐ Many inventions published last month had major themes as follows:
 - Implementing fuzzing in an Intrusion Detection System (IDS) leverages unexpected or invalid data to identify system weaknesses and train the system. Adoption of continuous fuzzing ensures real-time detection and maintains a robust vulnerability database, resulting in more resilient and adaptive security systems across industries.
 - > Solutions for various attacks, such as spoofing and relay attacks, were discussed. These solutions include verifying a remote key fob by sending a challenge signal, validating the response based on its trajectory, and using reinforcement learning to enhance security.



Partnership

Vodafone automotive and PlaxidityX join forces to protect vehicles from modern theft methods

Vodafone Automotive has partnered with PlaxidityX to integrate PlaxidityX's vDome anti-theft solution into Vodafone's car tracking products. This partnership tackles the growing issue of modern car theft, where criminals use electronic hacking devices to steal cars in seconds, costing billions of dollars annually. The vDome software uses AI to spot and stop theft attempts in real-time by identifying unauthorized activities on the vehicle network. This partnership aims to offer an additional layer of protection against advanced car theft techniques, ensuring the safety and security of vehicles.





Cybersecurity Investments

Indian coast guard gets 26.5% budget hike— ₹9,676.70 crore for cyber security & fleet upgrades.

At the 18th ICG Investiture Ceremony in New Delhi, the Indian Defense Minister awarded medals to the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) for their hard work in protecting India's coastal borders. He praised their efforts in keeping the coast secure and stopping illegal activities. He highlighted their achievements, such as seizing boats, arresting pirates, and conducting a major drug bust. The minister also warned about growing cyber threats and announced a 26.50% budget increase for the ICG for 2025-26 to modernize their equipment to fight against cyber attacks. He praised the ICG's focus on technology and assured them of continued government support.

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TISAX Certification

SK Hynix acquires 'TISAX' certification for the first time in the memory industry

SK Hynix, a leading memory chip manufacturer, has become the first in its industry to achieve TISAX certification, a global automobile industry information security certification. This certification, which is a key requirement for suppliers in the automotive industry, validates the company's robust security measures. As electric and connected cars become more the demand for reliable automotive common. semiconductors has increased. With this milestone, SK Hynix plans to accelerate the development of high-performance memory solutions needed for Al-driven future automobile technology. The company highlights its commitment to protecting against cyber threats and ensuring performance of key automotive systems.





Data Security Audit

Driivz achieves SOC 2 type II attestation report for EV charging and energy management software

Driivz, a top global software supplier for EV charging operators, has completed the SOC 2 Type II audit for its EV Charging and Energy Management Platform. PwC conducted the audit, confirming that Driivz meets the highest standards for data security, privacy, and compliance. This certification shows that Driivz has put strong measures in place to protect customer data, ensuring the platform's security, availability, and confidentiality. With this certification, Driivz strengthens its reputation as a reliable partner for secure EV charging solutions, supporting the growing EV market.



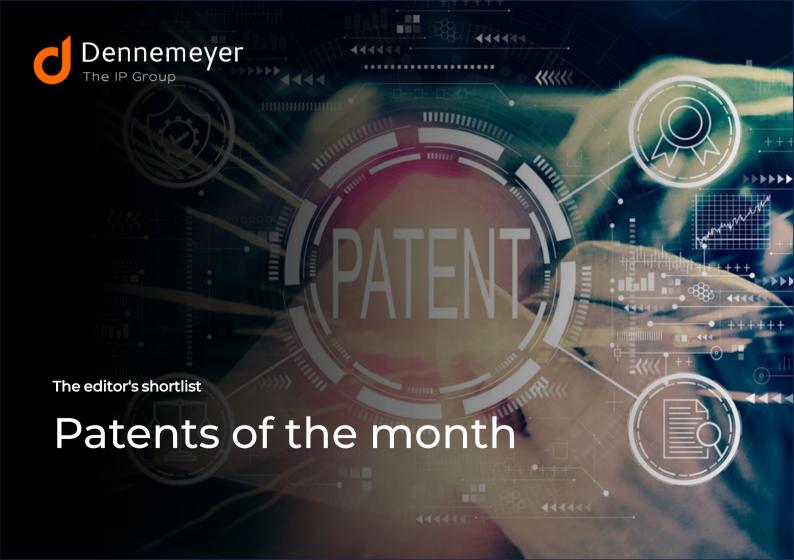
Secure Wireless Charging

Electreon earns ISO/SAE 21434 automotive cybersecurity standard certification, paving way for wider adoption of wireless charging by automakers

Electreon, a leader in wireless EV charging, has achieved ISO/SAE 21434 certification, ensuring strong cybersecurity measures are integrated into their charging systems throughout their lifecycle. This demonstrates Electreon's commitment to secure EV charging and positions the company among a select few in the industry. The certification is expected to drive demand for Electreon's solutions in large-scale transportation projects and strengthen partnerships with leading automakers. It also aligns with the United Nations' UNECE R155 regulation, which mandates cybersecurity for vehicles.

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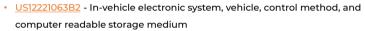




Patents of the month

Published in February 2025

Shortlisted and summarized by our analyst



Assignee: Honda Motor Co Ltd

 <u>US20250045386A1</u> - Detection and mitigation of cyber attacks on aimed at vehicle's diagnostic sessions

Assignee: Red Bend Ltd

 <u>US2025071554A1</u> - Protection against relay attack for keyless entry systems in vehicles and systems

Assignee: AT&T Intellectual Property LLP

 IN202517000832A - Secure uncrewed aerial vehicle direct communications

Assignee: Lenovo Singapore Pte Ltd

 WO2025026864A1 - Computer-implemented method for identifying potential denial-of-service attack vulnerabilities in a network protocol program

Assignee: Continental Automotive Technologies, Nanyang Technological University



 <u>DE102024207181A1</u> - Systems and methods for improving and updating an IDS with fuzzing results

Assignee: Robert Bosch Gmbh

<u>JP2025020641A</u> - Attack analysis device, attack analysis method, and attack analysis program

Assignee: Denso Corp

 KR102768410B1 - Method and system for providing security on in-vehicle network

Assignee: Hyundai Motor, Kia Motors

<u>CN119547401A</u> - Intrusion detection device and intrusion detection method

Assignee: Hitachi Astemo Ltd

 CN119535499A - Automatic driving vehicle GNSS spoofing attack detection device and method based on reinforcement learning Assignee: State Grid Information & Telecommunication Group Co Ltd



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In-vehicle electronic system, vehicle, control method, and computer readable storage medium

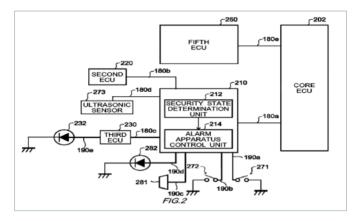
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Publication date 11 Feb 2025



This invention introduces a smart in-vehicle electronic system capable of monitoring security issues and autonomously responding, even when the vehicle's ignition is off. It includes sensors to detect the vehicle's security status, an alarm that triggers upon detecting abnormal conditions, and a main Electronic Control Units (ECU) that connects directly to these sensors and the alarm. This ECU operates independently communicating with other ECUs, enabling real-time security monitoring. The benefits of this invention responses, reduced include faster alarm consumption when the car is off, and a simpler design with fewer ECUs, which could lower certification costs.



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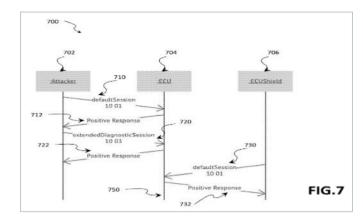
Detection and mitigation of cyber attacks on aimed at vehicle's diagnostic sessions

Company name Red Bend Ltd

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Publication date 06 Feb 2025



This patent addresses the risk of cyber attacks on vehicle diagnostics, where hackers can exploit weaknesses in ECUs to access and manipulate vehicle systems. The solution is a device that detects and stops such attacks on vehicles using a communication bus, specifically using Controller Area Network (CAN) protocols. It enforces a diagnostic policy by mapping requests to valid vehicle states. If a request doesn't match the current state, an interfering request is sent to stop the operation. This approach improves security by preventing invalid operations and ensuring no critical updates occur while the vehicle is in motion or in an inappropriate state.



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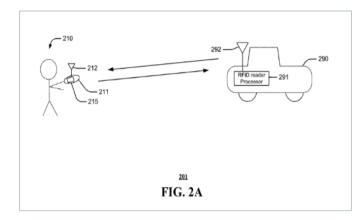
Protection against relay attack for keyless entry systems in vehicles and systems

Company name AT&T Intellectual Property LLP

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Publication date 27 Feb 2025



This invention tackles the problem of cyber attacks on keyless entry systems, where hackers break into cars using relay devices by intercepting signals from key fobs used to unlock the vehicle. The solution is a device that wirelessly receives a request to unlock the car, sends challenge signals at random times, and uses different software methods for these signals. The device then receives response signals, figures out the remote system's trajectory based on these signals, and unlocks the car if the trajectory is verified. This improves security by preventing unauthorized access to vehicles.



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Secure uncrewed aerial vehicle direct communications

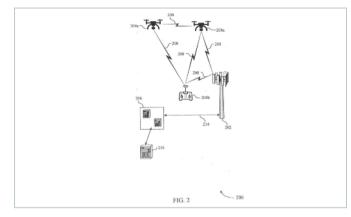
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addresses challenges This patent the of secure communication in wireless systems, especially for uncrewed aerial vehicles (UAVs) in 5G networks. Even though current systems are advanced, they have limited security measures and can be vulnerable to potential threats. This invention is designed to receive and verify an aircraft-to-everything (A2X) security policy. The user can request direct communication with a UAV controller for services, sending the A2X security policy for verification. The response from the UAV controller determines if the communication request is accepted or rejected, enhancing the security of UAV communications in 5G networks.



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Computer-implemented method for identifying potential denial-ofservice attack vulnerabilities in a network protocol program

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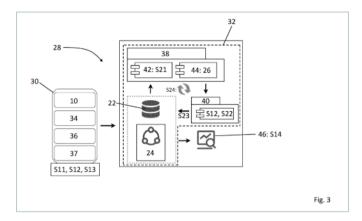
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This invention deals with the rise in denial-of-service (DoS) attacks that exploit weaknesses in network programs, causing services to crash or resources to be drained. Traditional methods mostly focus on finding bugs that cause crashes but don't address issues where the program's resources get exhausted. The solution involves creating test inputs, running them to see how the network behaves, and tracking how resources are used during these tests. This data is then used to build a model that helps identify potential DoS attack weaknesses based on resource usage. This solution improves vulnerability detection by focusing on resource depletion, using automated testing techniques to find new issues, and continuously updating the model to improve over time.



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Systems and methods for improving and updating an IDS with fuzzing results

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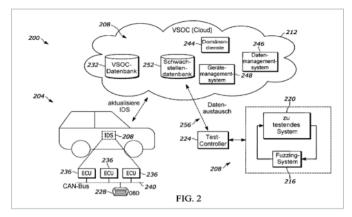
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This patent describes vulnerabilities in software programs within IDS that monitor and secure vehicle networks, which are increasingly susceptible to cyberattacks. The invention uses a process called fuzzing, where specially crafted inputs are sent to the software to find vulnerabilities. These detected vulnerabilities are then recorded, and updates are made to the IDS or software based on the findings. This invention provides improvements such as continuous fuzzing for real-time detection of new vulnerabilities, a comprehensive database to track issues across different hardware and software versions, and the ability to perform corrective actions automatically or with user instructions, improving response times to potential threats.



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Attack analysis device, attack analysis method, and attack analysis program

Company name Denso Corp

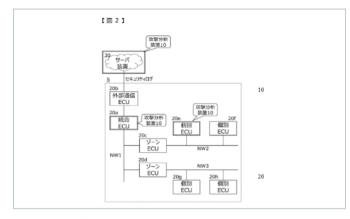
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This invention deals with the growing risk of cyberattacks on electronic control systems in vehicles, especially due to their connectivity features. Traditional methods often struggle to identify the type or severity of these attacks accurately. The solution is an attack analysis device that gathers security logs showing detected issues and their locations. It stores information about predicted attacks and anomalies. Using this data, the device estimates received attacks. It then checks the accuracy of these estimations with context data from the logs. Finally, an output unit provides details about the estimated attack and its accuracy.



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Method and system for providing security on in-vehicle network

Company name Hyundai Motor, Kia Motors

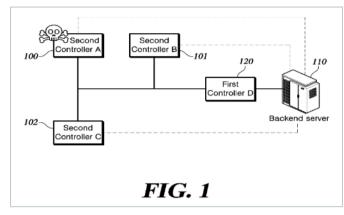
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This patent addresses security issues in in-vehicle networks, especially for ECUs and multimedia devices that interact with other external devices. These systems can be attacked, leading to unauthorized access and data theft. The invention secures the in-vehicle network by having a main controller verify the integrity of other controllers. It does this by sending requests for information from suspicious controllers, receiving encrypted responses, decrypting them, and comparing the data with stored anomalies to spot any unusual activity. If there are discrepancies or no response, the controller is flagged as suspicious.



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Intrusion detection device and intrusion detection method

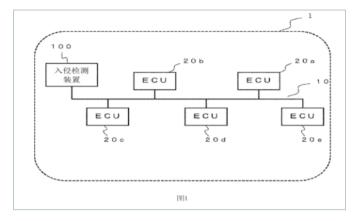
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This invention deals with the rising threat of denial-ofservice (DoS) attacks on vehicle control systems (ECUs). Hackers can exploit these systems through illegal communications. Traditional methods struggle to detect these attacks accurately, especially when hackers transmit illegal data within controlled limits. The fix involves an intrusion detection device that includes a communication unit for sending and receiving data, an attribute acquisition unit to obtain data attributes, a state acquisition section for communication control information. and an abnormality detection unit to identify anomalies based on the attributes and control information, thus improving illegal the accuracy detecting communications.



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Automatic driving vehicle GNSS spoofing attack detection device and method based on reinforcement learning

Company name State Grid Information & Telecommunication

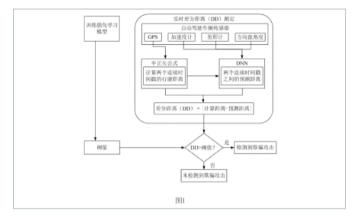
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This invention focuses on the need for reliable navigation in self-driving cars, which rely on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) like GPS. These systems can be vulnerable to signal interference, especially in urban areas or tunnels, and can be targeted by hackers using jamming or spoofing attacks. The solution is to use reinforcement learning to spot spoofing attacks by analyzing GPS data and other vehicle metrics. A dataset is formed from normal and spoofed data, predicts vehicle movement using a neural network, and compares real-time data against expected values to detect anomalies, ensuring the safety and reliability of autonomous vehicle navigation.

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