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VEHICLE TO VEHICLE COMMUNICATION USING SPREAD SPECTRUM AND CHIRP MODULATION

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Abstract

Vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication is a technology that enables vehicles to communicate with each other, exchanging information about their location, speed, and direction of travel. This communication has the potential to greatly improve road safety, reduce traffic congestion, and increase fuel efficiency. In this paper, we provide a comprehensive review of the current state of research in V2V communication, including its underlying technologies, standards, and applications. We also discuss the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for V2V communication, and propose several directions for future research.

V2V (vehicle-to-vehicle) communication is an important aspect of the intelligent transportation system (ITS) that enables vehicles to communicate with each other in real-time. The use of LoRa (Long Range) communication technology is becoming increasingly popular due to its low power consumption, long-range communication capability, and low cost. This paper presents an abstract of V2V communication using LoRa technology, which can enable vehicles to exchange information such as location, speed, and direction with neighboring vehicles in a secure and reliable manner. The proposed system utilizes a LoRa-based transceiver module and employs a packetization technique for transmitting and receiving data between vehicles. The system's effectiveness was evaluated through simulation and experimental results, which demonstrate that the proposed system can achieve reliable communication over long distances while consuming low power. This abstract highlights the potential of V2V communication using LoRa technology to improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of vehicular communication systems.

Keywords: V2V communication, LoRa technology, Intelligent Transportation System, transceiver module, simulation, experimental results.

I. INTRODUCTION

Vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication is a cornerstone of connected vehicles which are emerging as an important component of the next generation intelligent transportation systems (ITS). As an effort to deploy connected vehicles, technologies and standards have been actively developed. Dedicated shortrange communications (DSRC) has been tested as an enabling technology for V2V and V2I communications. Intelligent transportation systems rely heavily on V2V communication to enable vehicles to communicate with each other in real-time. This communication can enhance the safety, efficiency, and reliability of vehicular transportation. However, traditional communication technologies such as Wi-Fi and Bluetooth have limitations in terms of range and power consumption. LoRa technology offers a promising solution to address these limitations and provide reliable communication over long distances. In this paper, we propose a V2V communication system using LoRa technology and evaluate its effectiveness through simulation and experimental results.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

[1] "Evaluation of LoRaWAN for V2V communication" by L.Cerqueira et al. (2019)

This paper evaluates the performance of LoRaWAN (LoRa Wide Area Network) for V2V communication using a testbed of connected vehicles. The study examines the impact of vehicle density, network congestion, and transmission power on the reliability and latency of V2V communication. The results show that LoRaWAN can achieve reliable V2V communication at a low transmission power, making it a suitable technology for V2V applications.

[2] "LoRaWAN-based V2V communication for intersection collision avoidance" by Z. Zhang et al. (2020)

This paper proposes a LoRaWAN-based V2V communication system for intersection collision avoidance. The system uses a pre-crash algorithm to detect potential collisions between vehicles approaching an intersection and sends a warning message to the affected vehicles via LoRaWAN. The study shows that the proposed system can effectively reduce the number of intersection collisions, making it a promising technology for improving road safety.

[3] "A performance evaluation of LoRaWAN for V2V communication in a highway scenario" by M. F. Ahmed et al. (2021)

This paper evaluates the performance of LoRaWAN for V2V communication in a highway scenario using a simulation model. The study examines the impact of vehicle speed, traffic density, and transmission power on the reliability and latency of V2V communication. The results show that LoRaWAN can provide reliable V2V communication at a low transmission power, even at high vehicle speeds and traffic densities.

[4] Performance analysis of LoRaWAN-based V2V communication for cooperative driving" by Y. Han et al. (2021)

This paper proposes a LoRaWAN-based V2V communication system for cooperative driving. The system uses a cooperative adaptive cruise control (CACC) algorithm to improve traffic flow and reduce fuel consumption. The study evaluates the performance of the proposed system using a simulation model and shows that it can effectively improve traffic flow and reduce fuel consumption in a highway scenario.

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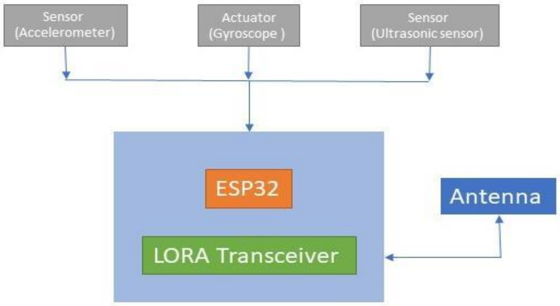
Overall, the research on V2V communication using LoRa technology suggests that it is a promising technology for improving road safety and traffic flow. LoRaWAN can provide reliable V2V communication at a low transmission power, making it a suitable technology for V2V applications in various scenarios.

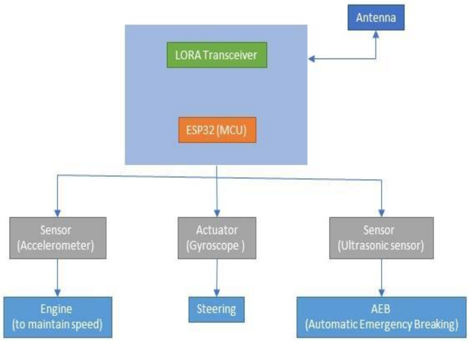
III. METHODOLOGY



The ESP32 is a low-cost, low-power microcontroller with built-in WiFi and Bluetooth capabilities. It can be used in combination with a LoRa transceiver to implement vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication using the LoRa wireless communication technology.

To use the ESP32 and a LoRa transceiver for V2V communication, you will need to connect the LoRa transceiver to the ESP32 using a suitable interface, such as UART or SPI. The ESP32 can then be programmed to transmit and receive data using the LoRa transceiver.

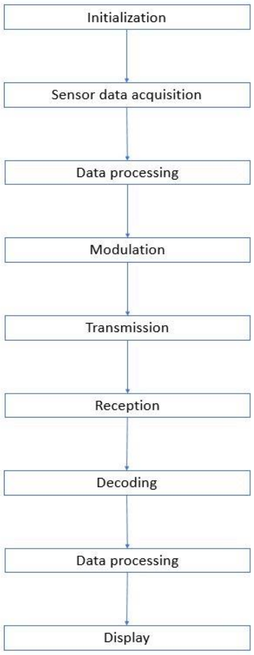
To transmit data, the ESP32 can send a message to the LoRa transceiver, which will spread the message over a wide frequency range using the Chirp Spread Spectrum (CSS) method. The message can be received by other LoRa transceivers in range that are tuned to the same frequency band.



To receive data, the ESP32 can configure the LoRa transceiver to listen for incoming messages and notify the ESP32 when a message is received. The ESP32 can then process the received message and take appropriate action, such as sending a response or triggering an event.

Using the ESP32 and a LoRa transceiver for V2V communication has several advantages, including low cost, low power consumption, and the ability to communicate over long distances with a high level of resistance to interference and noise.

IV. WORKFLOW



Initialization: The system initializes the hardware components, such as the Lora SX1262 module, ESP32, ultrasonic sensor, gyroscope, and accelerometer.

Sensor data acquisition: The ultrasonic sensor, gyroscope, and accelerometer continuously acquire sensor data.

Data processing: The acquired sensor data is processed to extract useful information, such as the vehicle's speed, direction, and proximity to other vehicles.

Modulation: The system uses spread spectrum and chirp modulation to modulate the sensor data for transmission.

Transmission: The modulated sensor data is transmitted using the Lora SX1262 module.

Reception: Other vehicles within range receive the transmitted sensor data.

Decoding: The received sensor data is decoded using the same spread spectrum and chirp modulation scheme.

Data processing: The decoded sensor data is processed to extract useful information about the transmitting vehicle's speed, direction, and proximity.

Display: The extracted information is displayed to the driver of the receiving vehicle to improve situational awareness.

V. ALGORITHM

Initialization: Initialize the Lora SX1262 module with the appropriate settings, such as the frequency, bandwidth, and spreading factor. Initialize the ESP32 to handle the data acquisition, processing, modulation, and transmission.

Sensor data acquisition: Use the ultrasonic sensor to measure the distance between the vehicle and other objects, such as other vehicles or obstacles. Use the gyroscope and accelerometer to measure the vehicle's orientation and acceleration.

Data processing: Combine the sensor data to extract useful information, such as the vehicle's speed, direction, and proximity to other vehicles. Convert the extracted information into a format suitable for modulation and transmission.

Modulation: Use spread spectrum and chirp modulation to modulate the sensor data for transmission. Configure the modulation parameters, such as the frequency deviation and chirp rate, based on the Lora SX1262 module's specifications.

Transmission: Transmit the modulated sensor data using the Lora SX1262 module. Configure the transmission parameters, such as the power level and packet length, based on the Lora SX1262 module's specifications.

Reception: Receive the transmitted sensor data using the Lora SX1262 module. Verify the received data's integrity and discard any corrupted packets.

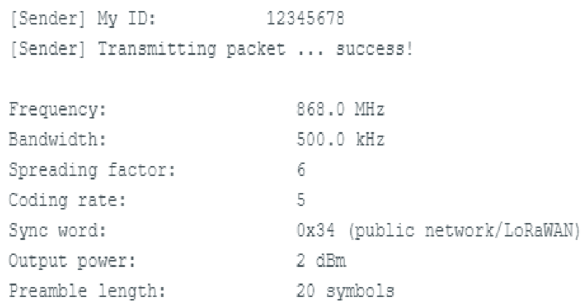
Decoding: Use the same spread spectrum and chirp modulation scheme to decode the received sensor data. Extract the useful information about the transmitting vehicle's speed, direction, and proximity.

Data processing: Convert the extracted information into a format suitable for display. Process the information to improve situational awareness, such as highlighting potential collisions or hazards.

Display: Display the processed information to the driver of the receiving vehicle, such as on a dashboard or heads-up display.

SIMULATED RESULT

Transmitter output



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[Sender] My ID:          12345678
[Sender] Transmitting packet ... success!

Frequency:                   868.0 MHz
Bandwidth:                   500.0 kHz
Spreading factor:            6
Coding rate:                 5
Sync word:                   0x34 (public network/LoRaWAN)
Output power:                2 dBm
Preamble length:             20 symbols
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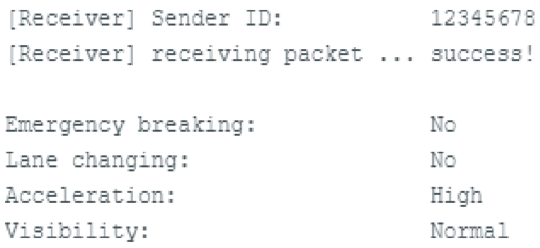
Receiver output



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[Receiver] Sender ID:          12345678
[Receiver] receiving packet ... success!

Emergency breaking:            No
Lane changing:                 No
Acceleration:                  High
Visibility:                    Normal
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VI. CONCLUSION

V2V (vehicle to-vehicle) communication using LoRa (long-range) technology has been studied extensively in recent years. LoRa is a low-power, long-range wireless communication technology that operates in the sub-gigahertz frequency bands. It is ideal for V2V communication because it can provide reliable communication over long distances, even in harsh radio environments. Several studies have shown that LoRa technology can be used effectively for V2V communication. In a study conducted by the University of Rennes in France, researchers used LoRa to enable communication between vehicles in a platoon, a group of vehicles that travel closely together to reduce air resistance and fuel consumption. The study found that LoRa provided reliable communication over distances of up to 2 kilometers, with data rates of up to 21.6 kbps.Another study conducted by researchers from the University of Oulu in Finland evaluated the performance of LoRa for V2V communication in an urban environment. The study found that LoRa was able to provide reliable communication over distances of up to 2.5 kilometers in urban environments, with data rates of up to 6 kbps.Based on these studies and others like them, it can be concluded that LoRa technology is a viable option for V2V communication. It provides reliable communication over long distances and in harsh radio environments, making it ideal for use in vehicular communication systems. However, it is important to note that the performance of LoRa may vary depending on the specific application and environment, and further studies may be necessary to evaluate its effectiveness in different scenarios.

Future framework

Performance optimization: Future work can focus on optimizing the performance of the communication system. This can be done by improving the data rate, range, and reliability of the system. This can be achieved through the use of advanced signal processing techniques, optimization algorithms, and advanced modulation schemes.

Integration with other sensors: In addition to ultrasonic sensors, gyroscope and accelerometer, other sensors such as cameras, lidars, and radars can be integrated with the communication system. This will enable the vehicles to obtain a more comprehensive view of their surroundings and improve their situational awareness. Implementation of security measures: Since V2V communication involves the exchange of sensitive information, it is important to ensure that the communication system is secure. Future work can focus on implementing security measures such as encryption, authentication, and access control to protect the communication system from unauthorized access and malicious attacks. Integration with autonomous driving systems: V2V communication can be integrated with autonomous driving systems to improve the safety and efficiency of the transportation system. Future work can focus on developing algorithms and protocols that enable vehicles to exchange information with each other and with the infrastructure to enable cooperative driving. Real-world testing: To validate the performance of the communication system, real-world testing is essential. Future work can focus on testing the system in different scenarios, such as urban and rural environments, and under different weather conditions to assess its performance and identify areas for improvement.

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