



Preventing Accidents  
Saving Fuel  
Connecting Trucks



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# Peloton Technology: Our Company

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# Background on Platooning

# Platooning: Worldwide Activity



EU Platooning Challenge - 2016



ENERGY ITS – Japan 2009-12



SARTRE – EU (Sweden) 2009-Present



PIT – Canada 2009



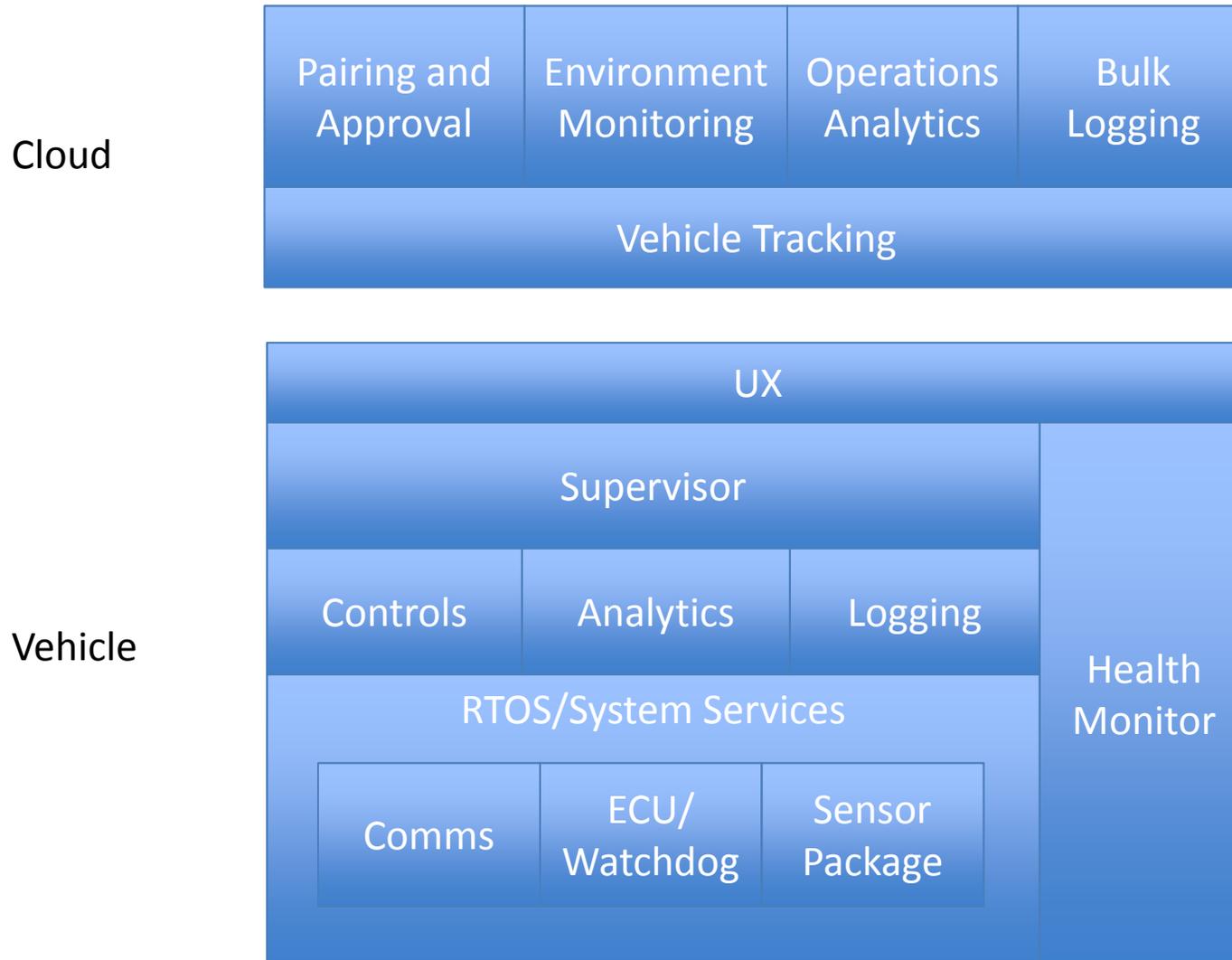
KONVOI – Germany 2005-09



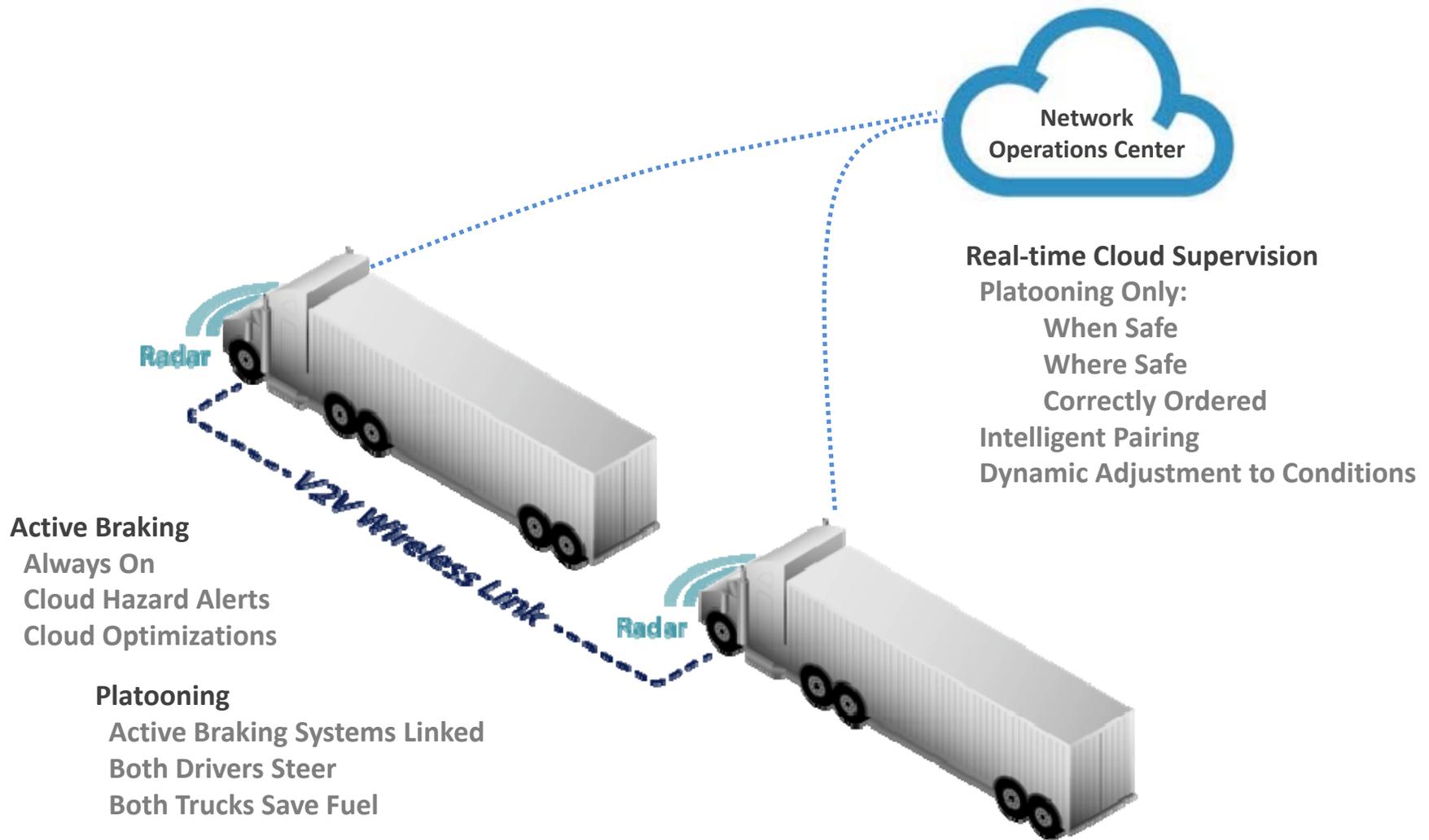
PATH – US '90s and ongoing

# Technology of Truck Platooning

# Peloton Core Technologies



# Connecting Trucks



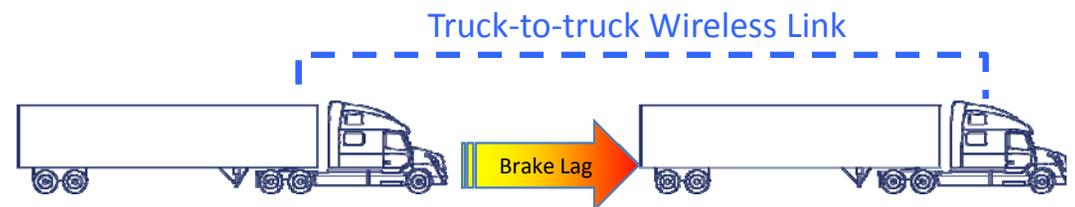
# The Platooning Experience



# Platooning & Following Distance



- Under ordinary conditions, proper following distance must allow for a following driver to perceive and react to the lead vehicle. This is in addition to the brake response lag in the braking system.
- With radar-based collision mitigation systems, driver perception and reaction are not necessary before the following truck brakes, but the following truck radar must detect the lead truck slowing before it can start to engage the following truck's brakes.
- A platooning system creates a near-instantaneous link, allowing a following truck's brakes to engage even *before* the lead truck begins to slow. This allows for a safe platooning following distance to be smaller than under ordinary conditions. The truck with the longer stopping distance is always put in the front position.



# Enhanced Awareness

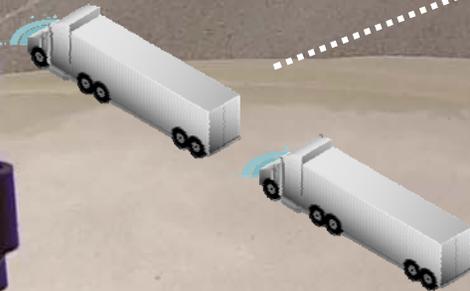


The Network Operations Center (NOC) provides drivers with over-the-horizon alerts to dangerous conditions, preventive maintenance warnings, and other data to enhance the driver's awareness.

Fleet Operations



Platooning



Hazards



Weather



Traffic



# Platooning Benefits



- US Freight Trucking: **\$700 Billion in Revenues**
  - Fuel Cost: **\$100+ Billion**
    - **33%+** Operating Costs
  - Accident Cost: **\$90+ Billion**
  - Industry Net Profit: **3%**

- Preventing Accidents
- Saving Fuel
- Improving Decisions



Enhanced  
Fleet Economics  
& Safety

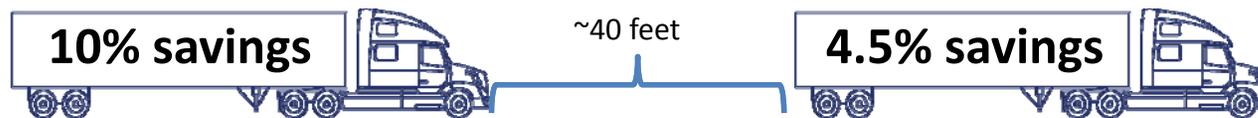
*Platooning accelerates the payback period for collision mitigation and advanced safety technology*



# Platooning Benefits



In addition to **improving individual and paired truck safety all the time**, public benefits of platooning include:



- **Fuel savings/Range Extension** (Independent test, 7.5% avg for both trucks)
- **Emissions reduction** (Corresponding GHG & Criteria Pollutants)
- **High quality data generation** (for fleets and govt)
- **Increased infrastructure efficiency**
- **Economically viable** (Fleet Payback Period <1 year)
- **Potential low-speed applications** (Platoon Signal Priority)



# Partners & Engagement



# Government Engagement



## Federal (USDOT: NHTSA, FMCSA)

- No federal limitations to platooning
- Two USDOT projects (Auburn Univ. & CalTrans/PATH) to demonstrate platooning, establish best practices, and create pathway to deployment
- More projects coming → encouraging progress

## States (State DOTs)

- No numeric following distance limitation in majority of States: “reasonable and prudent” standard
- Working with growing number of States to hold trials via administrative approval or legislation

## Funded Projects with:



- **Industry Standards & Best Practices:** ATA/TMC, SAE, etc.
- **AASHTO and CVSA:** dialogue, best practices, harmonization
- **Collaboration on Demonstrations**
  - UT (Nov'13), NV (May'14), MI (Sept'14), FL (private test) (Apr'15), CA (Nov'15), UT (Nov'15), TX (Dec'15)
  - Potential upcoming California demos
- **Setting stage for Fleet Trials in 2016**
  - Administrative approval: TX, NV, MI, AL, NM
  - Legislation passed or in process: UT, CA, FL, MO
  - High interest & discussions: AZ, IA, WI, AR, TN, OK, OR, WA, others



# Thank You



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