Eclipse KUKSA.val for SCR Anti-Tampering Monitoring in Heavy Vehicles

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THE PROBLEM

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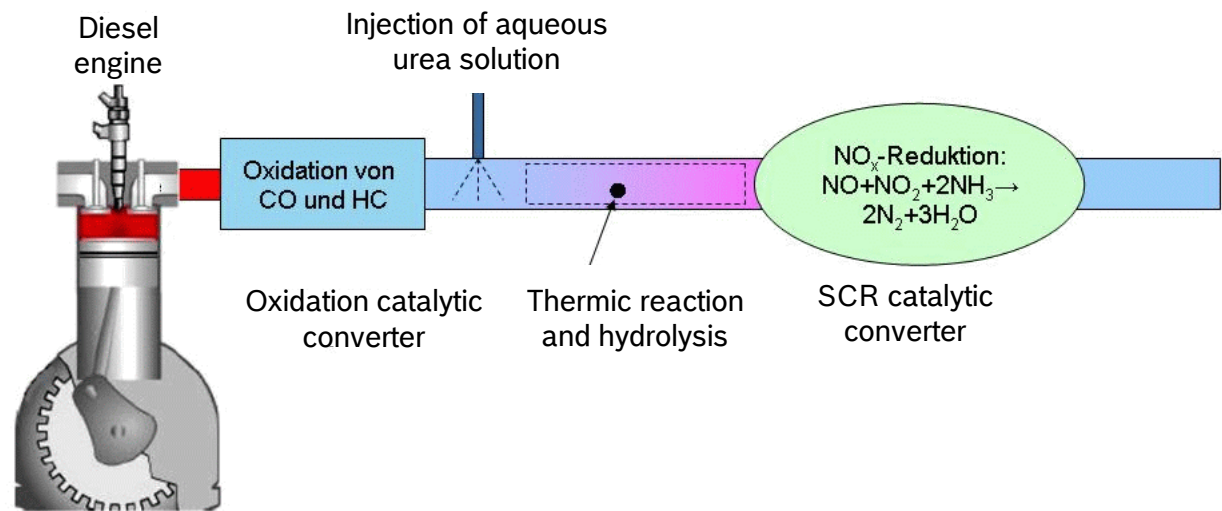DIAGNOSTIC ANTI-TAMPERING SYSTEMS

Introduction
Diesel Exhaust Treatment

- Diesel Engines use "Selective Catalytic Reduction" (SCR) as part of the exhaust treatment system

- The SCR system converts harmful nitrogen oxides (NO_x) from the exhaust gas into Nitrogen (N_2) and Water (H_2O)

- This reaction requires ammonia (NH_3) that needs to be fed to the system. This is usually done in form of a urea solution (marketing name "AdBlue")

- Required to meet legislated emission standards

For more technical details check:
https://dieselnet.com/tech/cat_scr_diesel_urea_dosing.php

Diesel engine

Injection of aqueous urea solution

Oxidation von CO und HC

NO_x-Reduktion:
$NO + NO_2 + 2NH_3 \rightarrow 2N_2 + 3H_2O$

Oxidation catalytic converter

Thermic reaction and hydrolysis

SCR catalytic converter

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The Danger
Tampering

- AdBlue is a cost factor: It can add 1500USD/year operating cost to a commercial vehicle
- Without AdBlue a legally compliant truck will not start

The cost provides an incentive to *tamper* with the system

- Deactivating parts of the SCR systems and related sensors
- Sending fake data on vehicle busses to prevent the on-board systems to detect it
- This is nearly impossible/time consuming to detect by traffic police

Esso AdBlue pump by Cjp24 under CC BY-SA

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The Problem
It is Cheap

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WORKING ON A SOLUTION

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DIAS Project
Diagnostic Anti-Tampering Systems

Malicious tampering of environmental protection systems like SCR turns very clean vehicles in heavy polluters. In the European project DIAS, countermeasures are developed to harden vehicles against tampering.
11 partners from 7 countries.

A thorough two-level plan to stamp out tampering
DIAS starts with current OBD and follows a two-level approach. The first level is the development of an enhanced OBD system, assessing its resistance to tampering and creating intermediate regulatory guidelines. The second level will be the development of more advanced cloud-based diagnostics systems involving two-way communication that foresees swift tampering detection.

https://www.dias-project.com

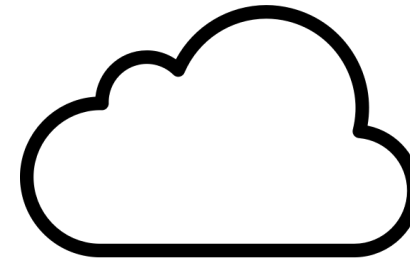# Eclipse KUKSA
Software Components for Connected Vehicles

"The open Eclipse KUKSA project aims to provide standardized software building blocks for connected car ecosystems that can be shared across the industry, providing performance, quality and scalability for base services that can act a solid foundation for a variety of competing products and services."

In-vehicle components

- KUKSA.val V(I)SS dataserver
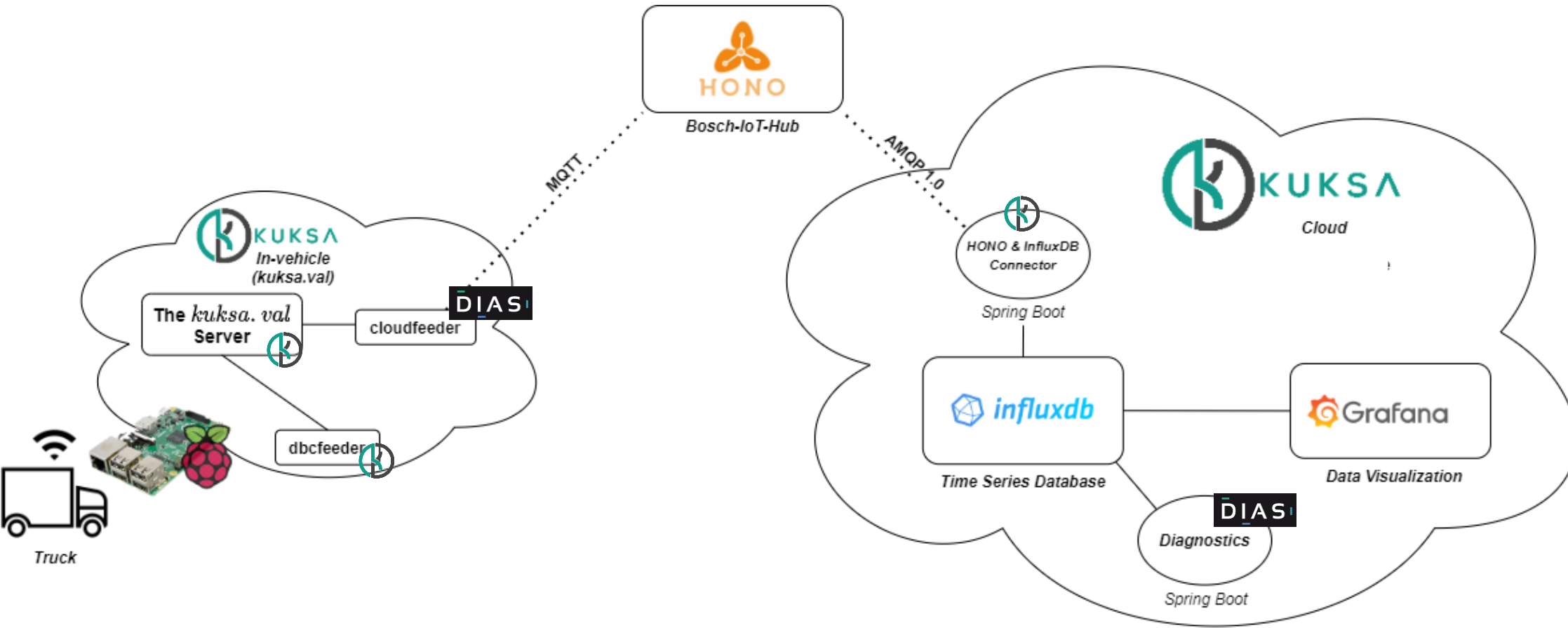- KUKSA.hardware

KUKSA.cloud

- Distribution of services for connected vehicles
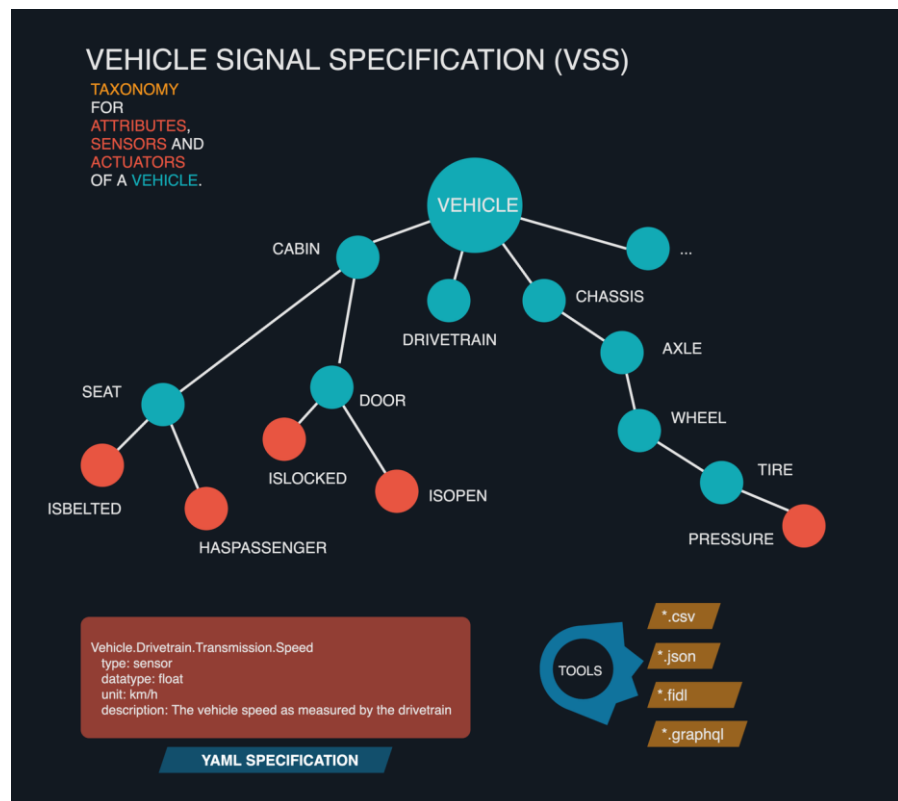- Relying on Eclipse IoT technologies

https://www.eclipse.org/kuksa/

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OUR APPROACH

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SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
System Overview

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SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
Genivi Vehicle Signal Specification

- Introduces a domain taxonomy for vehicle signals
- Creating a common understanding of vehicle signals in order to reach a "common language" for vehicle data independent of protocol or serialization format.
- Cooperatively created by various industry players
- Completely open

Example: Vehicle.Powertrain.Battery.Temperature

```
"Temperature": {
"datatype": "float",
"description": "Temperature of the battery pack",
"type": "sensor",
"unit": "celsius",
"uuid": "2b9d90f1d87c57dcbbd6a72807f8d412"
}
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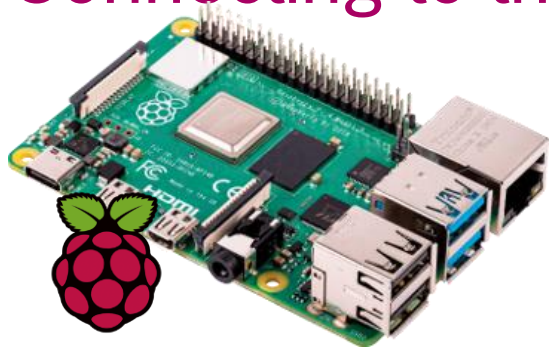https://github.com/genivi/vehicle_signal_specification

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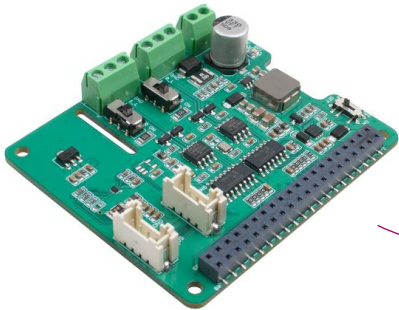## VSS Model for Anti-Tampering Prototype

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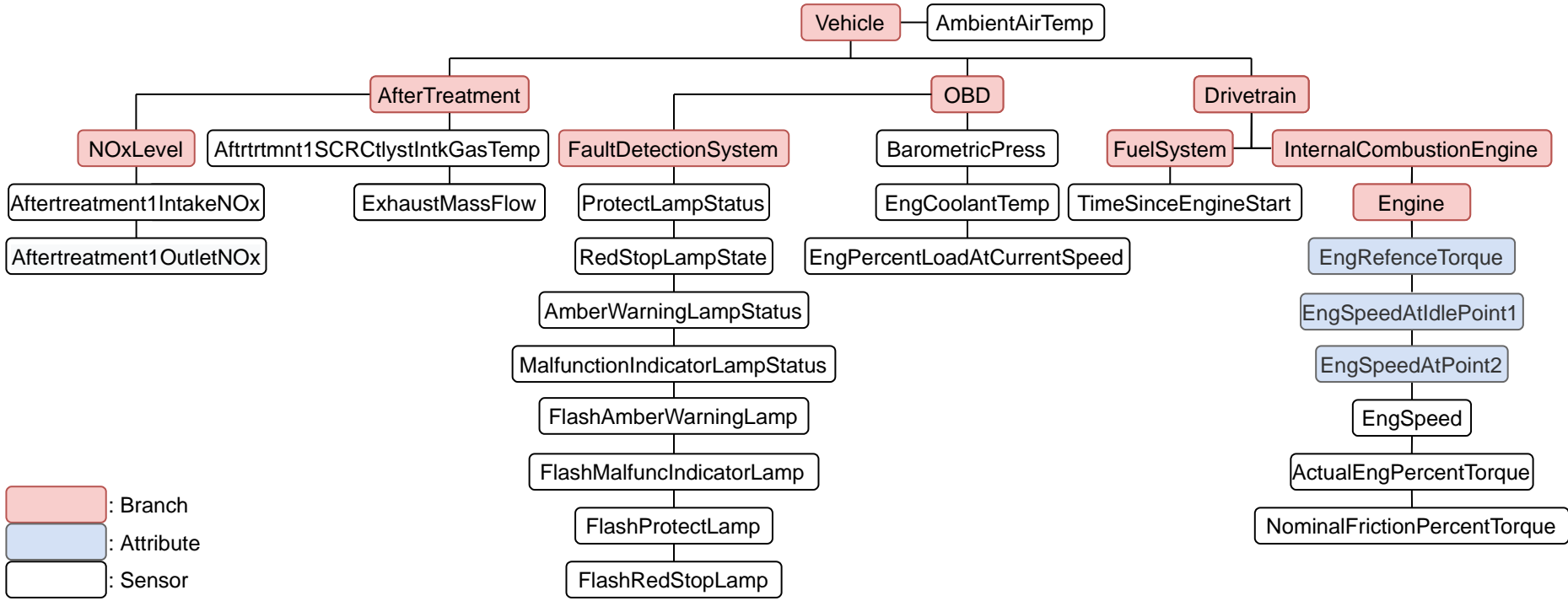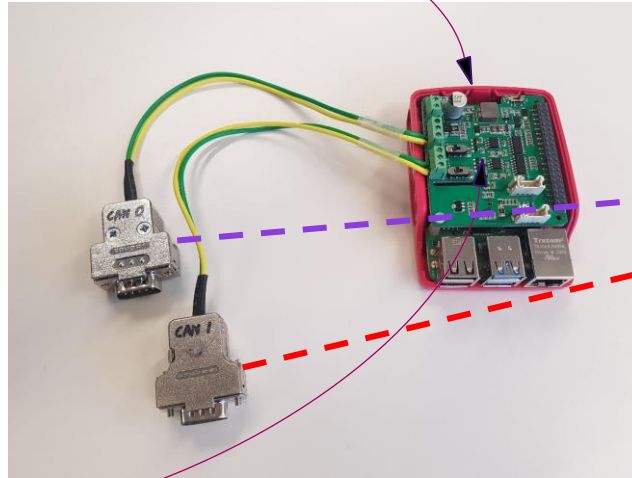
SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
## Connecting to the vehicle in our experiment

Raspberry Pi 4

2-Channel CAN Shield
(Seeed Studio)

Truck
ECU

Two CAN channels are used here because modern vehicles have several independent CAN busses and in our test vehicle the relevant signals are spread across two CAN busses

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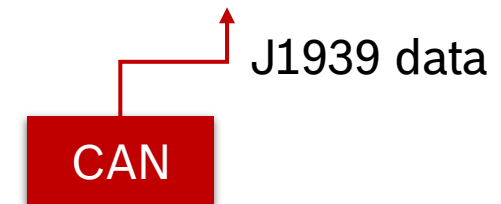## Accessing signals with KUKSA.val
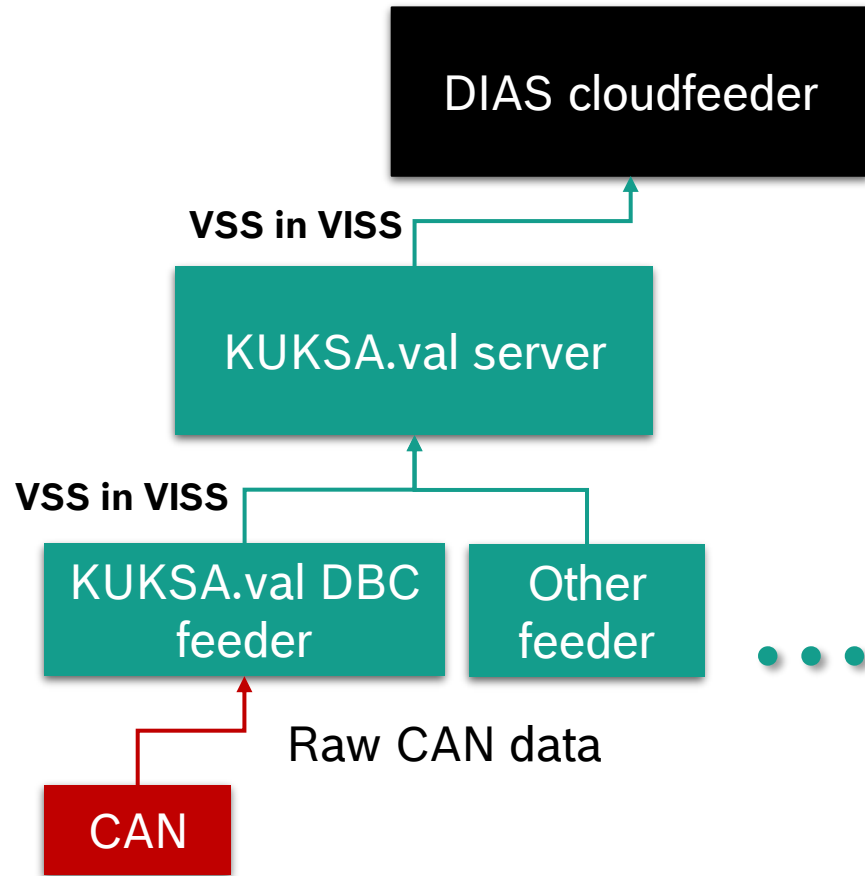
- Proprieatary frames are read from CAN
- A KUKSA *feeder* component transforms them into a format described using the standardized Genivi VSS (Vehicle Signal Specification)
- The VSS datapoints are then transferred to the KUKSA.val server using the standardized W3C VISS (Vehicle Information Service Specification) protocl
- Applications can access the data via VISS

SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
J1939 extension for KUKSA.val DBC Feeder (1)

- When starting, KUKSA.vals DBC feeder just supported raw CAN frames, as are commonly used in passenger vehicles

- Heavy duty vehicles such as trucks often use SAE-J1939

  - J1939 is still using CAN for transport

  - It adds a higher layer protocol, that – among other things – supports logic data frames larger than one CAN frame (8 bytes for classic CAN)

  - Signal locations based on "PGN" (Parameter Group Number) instead of CAN ID
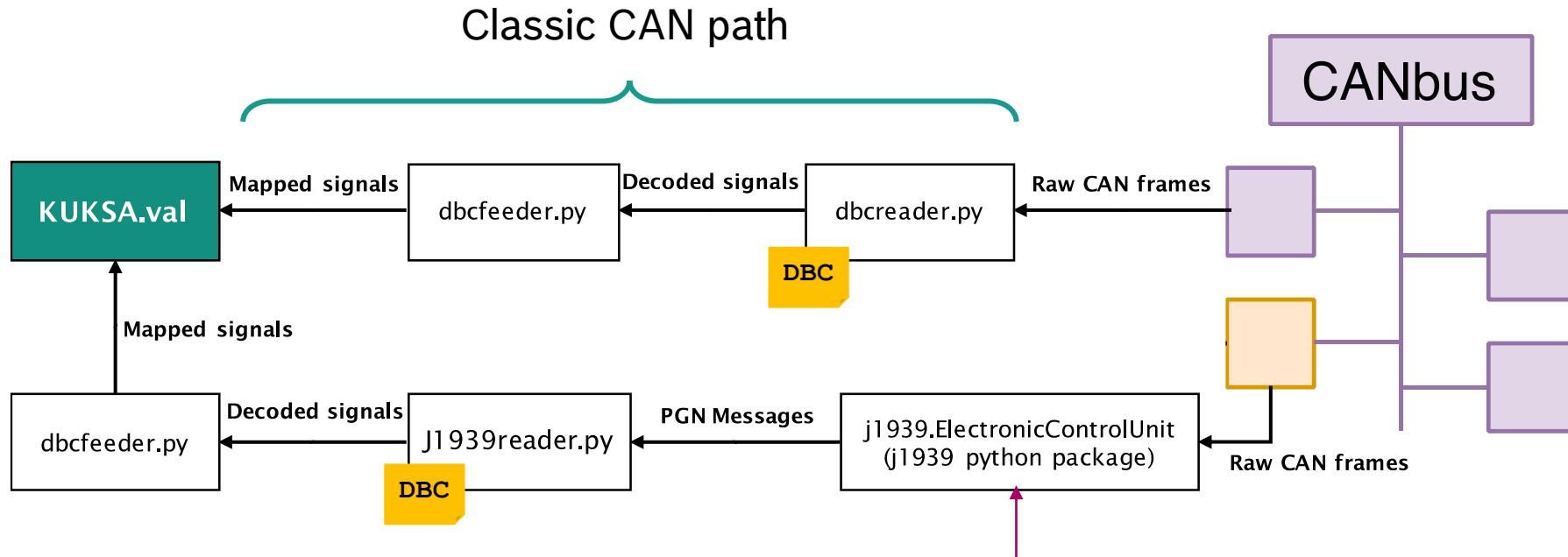
  - Can be described in a DBC File

J1939 data

CAN

https://www.sae.org/standardsdev/groundvehicle/j1939a.htm
https://www.csselectronics.com/screen/page/simple-intro-j1939-explained/language/en#j1939-pgn-spn

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J1939 extension for KUKSA.val DBC Feeder (2)

Classic CAN path

CANbus

KUKSA.val ← Mapped signals ← dbcfeeder.py ← Decoded signals ← dbcreader.py ← Raw CAN frames

DBC

Mapped signals

dbcfeeder.py ← Decoded signals ← J1939reader.py ← PGN Messages ← j1939.ElectronicControlUnit (j1939 python package) ← Raw CAN frames

DBC

New J1939 path:

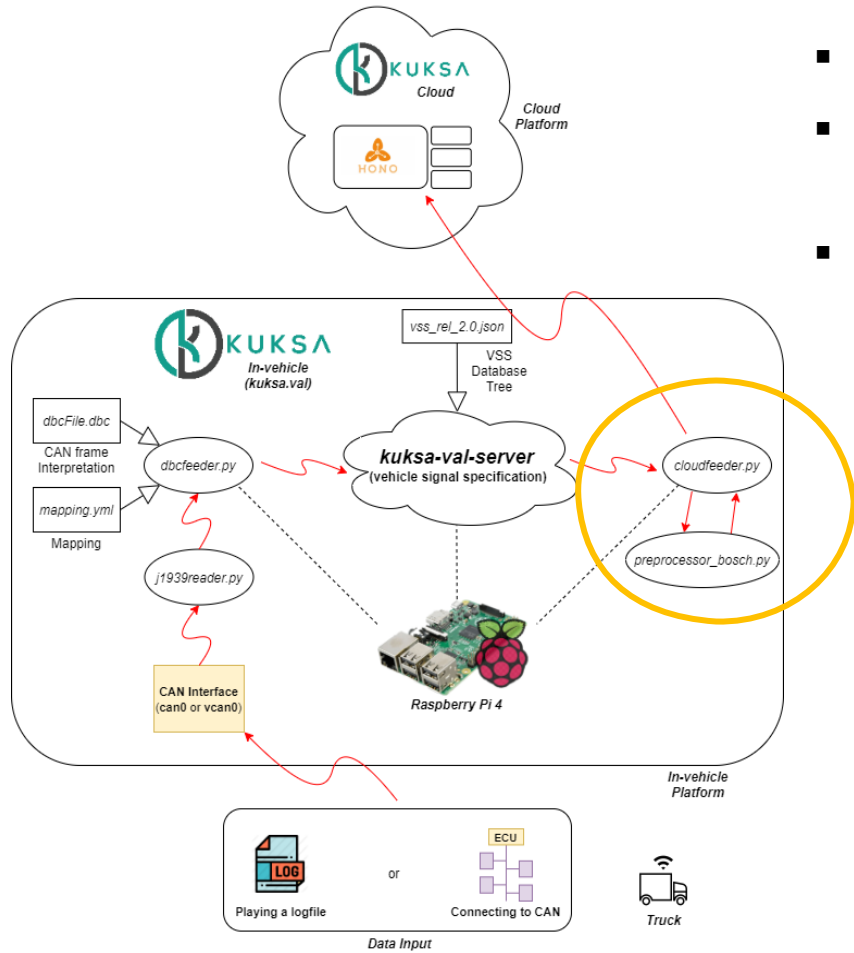Mapping based on J1939 DBC file

Can parse J1939 frames

This has been contributed to KUKSA.val by the DIAS project and has been merged.

Everybody can use it now

https://github.com/eclipse/kuksa.val/tree/master/kuksa_feeders/dbc2val

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DIAS Cloud feeder

- Fetches required signals from *KUKSA.val server*

- *Pr*e-processes the fetched signals' values with variable preprocessor script

- Sends the pre-processed result as telemetry data to the cloud via MQTT

Fetched signals

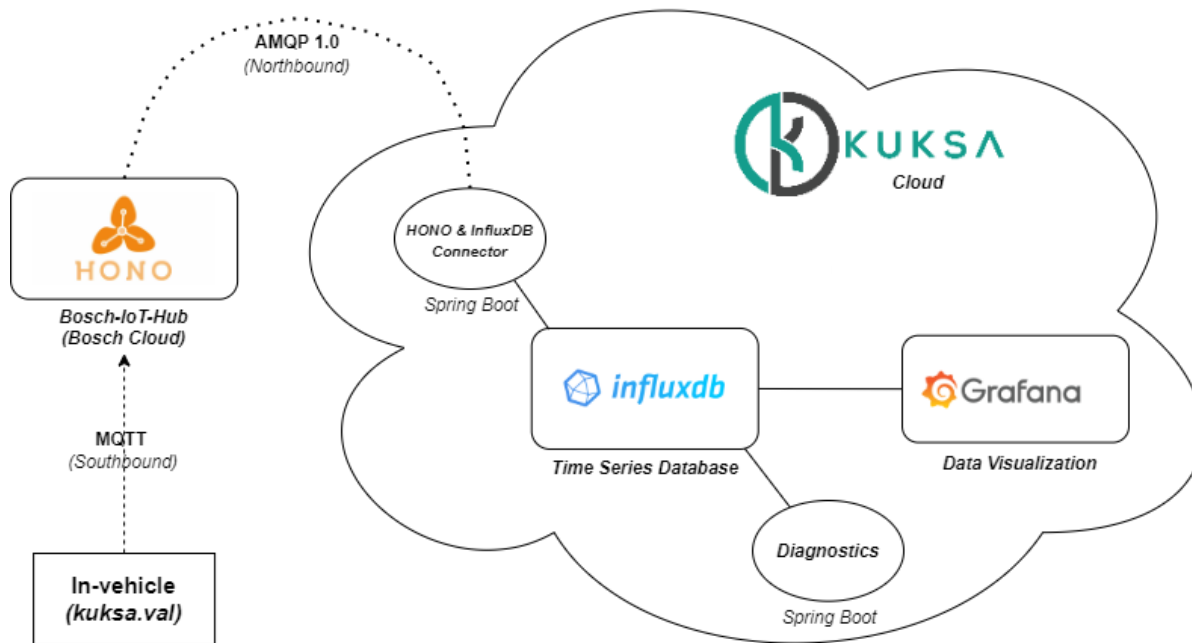Pre-processed result telemetry

MQTT transmission

https://github.com/junh-ki/dias_kuksa/

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SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
KUKSA.cloud setup

* AMQP (Advanced Message Queue Protocol)
* MQTT (Message Queuing Telemetry Transport)

Bosch-IoT-Hub (Eclipse Hono)

- Remote service interfaces for connecting IoT devices in a uniform way

Hono-InfluxDB-Connector

Connects to Hono and InfluxDB, to receive and store data

InfluxDB

- Data are stored in chronological order

Grafana

- Visualizes data in InfluxDB

Diagnostics

- Evaluates data in InfluxDB

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PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER & FINAL THOUGHTS

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Testing...

DIAS Test Vehicle

Grafana Dashboard

You are here

Tampering Detected!

Setup in Cabin

CAN I GET A HUG?

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SCR Anti-Tampering with KUKSA
Open points and future work

- "Deepen" security:
  - Currently we need to "trust" data received from CAN bus, and detect tampering solely through inconsistency, plausibilisation
  - Mechanisms for authenticating data on CAN exist, but are not widely deployed yet. Would be a good first line of defence
- Limits of OSS approach
  - The proposed system, tested on a Pi can easily run on a modern (processor-based) Vehicle Computers. However, requires modern vehicles that offer suitable runtimes/sandboxes for modern software
  - The "deeper" you go, the more proprietary vehicle architectures get. Probably there will not be much OSS/open systems in the layers below Vehicle Computers
- Not all data used for this use case is specified in the standard VSS data catalogue (yet)

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Learnings

- Building DIAS SCR Anti-Tampering system starting **from a vehicle bus to the cloud** is possible using only **Open Source** technologies

- Adapting existing solutions is much faster than starting from scratch for "non-core" topics such as

  - In-vehicle data server

  - Connectivity

  - Cloud infrastructure

- Some assembly required: Provided initial J1939 support back to Eclipse KUKSA, saving more time on the next use case

- No need to share application IP (detailed algorithm for detection) when using Eclipse KUKSA:

<p style="text-align:center; color:teal">"Open base services as a solid foundation for a
variety of competing products and services"</p>

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