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**Topics**

The topics of interests in this special issue include, but are not limited to:
- Autonomous vehicle software vulnerability assessment, risk analysis, attack and threat models
- Safe design and implementation of autonomous vehicle software and applications for autonomous vehicles
- Autonomous vehicle operating system security
- Availability, resiliency and fault tolerance in autonomous vehicle software
- Autonomous vehicle software testing, verification and validation
- Autonomous vehicle software quality evaluation methodologies and metrics
- Autonomous vehicle software forensics, events monitoring and auditing
- Autonomous vehicle software standardization, certification, and interoperability
- Secure intra-vehicle, vehicle-to-vehicle, and other vehicular network communications
- Testing of machine learning components for autonomous vehicles
- Practical experiences, empirical studies, and testbeds for autonomous vehicle software
- Industrial experiences and best practices for autonomous vehicle software development
- Program synthesis for autonomous vehicle software

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Submit original manuscripts with a maximum of twelve pages. Each paper should include a title, the name and affiliation of each author, a 150-word abstract, and up to 6 keywords.

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**Dates**

Regular and Short papers due
**October 10, 2021**

Author notification
**November 1, 2021**

Extended abstracts and presentations due
**October 20, 2021**

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**November 10, 2021**