Acceptance of Self-Driving Cars in United Arab Emirates

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Abstract

Transportation industry witnessing a revolution of the emerging of self-driving cars which are autonomous vehicles that drive by itself without human involvement. It is expected that self-driving cars would have powerful feature and would provide a lot of benefits such as reducing traveling time, reducing traffic jams, reducing car accidents and many other benefits. The government of United Arab Emirates adopt technology implementation in all life aspects in the country starting by turning into smart government and then smart education and many other implementations of using technology in different aspects of the country. This adoption of technology positively affected UAE people’s intention toward accepting technology. As UAE government always adopt best technology practices, it is expected that United Arab Emirates would adopt the using of autonomous cars. The aim of this research paper is to investigate UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving cars. Researcher aim as well to explore the most common factors that may affect people’s intention to turn into using self-driving cars. This research paper methodology based on quantitative methods for gathering data in which questionnaire developed and sent to people live in United Arab Emirates.

Index terms — self-driving car; autonomous; intention; features; specifications

1 Introduction

s technology development has taken on all aspects of life, the world of transportation is witnessing a major revolution due to the emergence of self-driving cars. The emergence of self-driving cars attracted the attention of the media as well as individuals in it. Brandon Schoettle and Michael Sivak, (2014) stated that the emergence of self-driving cars attracted people and researchers as well who aim to explore people’s perception of self-driving car. Researchers as well aim to explore how reliable the self-driving car is and what benefits the user may get when using this type of car. Self-driving car as defined by Daniel Howard and Danielle Dai, (2013) is an automated vehicle that has the ability to drive and move without human involvement. Self-driving car system is powerful, it is equipped as well with tools and resources that allow it to sense the world around it. The adoption of self-driving cars may be necessary due to many reasons related to regular transportation system and pollution as well. It is expected that self-driving cars would have great impact on transportation system by reducing car accidents, respecting road rules, reaching destinations fast and reducing traffic jams. Self-driving cars as well expected to reduce emissions which positively impacted environment. Old peoples and people who cannot drive may depend on self-driving cars for reaching their destinations as stated by Corey D.Harper, Chris T.Hendrickson, Sonia Mangones, Constantine Samaras, (2016). Even though self-driving cars expected to have lots of benefits and its features claimed to be extraordinary; it is essential to explore the people’s intention to turn into using such car type.

The UAE is one of the best countries in the world in the adoption of technology in all aspects of life. UAE government is turned into smart government, the schools adopt smart learning methodologies and the UAE people rely on the use of technology in almost their daily transactions. It is expected that the United Arab Emirates would be one of the leading countries to adopt the usage of self-driving cars. Although the self-driving cars may
provide huge benefits to the user compared to the traditional cars that the user drive, the people perception to turn into using this type of cars may vary as some users prefer to engage in driving by themselves.

The aim of this research paper is to investigate the UAE people's intention to turn into using self-driving cars. This investigation is important for UAE government to explore UAE people's acceptance toward using autonomous cars and to take steps for the adoption of such cars in the future such as setting up regulations and preparing infrastructure as well, for this transportation revolution.

This research applied quantitative methods for collecting data based upon utilization of questionnaire that was prepared and sent for respondents living in United Arab Emirates.

Study Design: the research organized starting by the first section which is the introduction of the research in which the researcher identified the topic as well as the purpose of the research. After that research problem statement identified in the second section. Third section is the research justification/theoretical background in which research papers discussed similar affect people's decision to use self-driving cars. The researcher as well aim to examine the standard Technology Acceptance Model in case of introducing self-driving car for public.

The UAE is seeking the first position in all fields. One of the most important areas of interest to the Government of the United Arab Emirates is the technological field. The Government of the United Arab Emirates has become a smart government and technology is being applied in most of the life's aspects, which has established great acceptance to the transformation to technology among the people of the UAE. As the UAE continues to adopt international best practices in the field of technology, the revolution of using self-driving cars is expected to be supported by the Government of the United Arab Emirates. The adoption of self-driving cars requires investigating people's perception about this type of cars, it require as well exploring infrastructure requirements to adopt self-driving cars, New road regulations must be set in order to adopt self-driving cars. But before taking any of the previously mentioned steps, it is essential to explore the UAE people's intention to turn into using self-driving car.

Existing researches deals mostly with people perception to autonomous cars, and some case studies conducted in in US states and other countries to measure people's intention toward using autonomous cars. This research paper aim to fulfil the gap of measuring UAE people's intention to turn into using self-driving car. The standard Technology Acceptance Model slightly modified by adding new constructs in order to measure the most common factors that affects UAE people's intention to turn into using self-driving cars.

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2 III.

3 Research Justification/ Theoretical Background a) Autonomous self-driving car

As technology development has taken on all aspects of life, we are witnessing a revolution in various means of transportation. One of the most important example of transportation revolution is the emergence of self-driving cars. Brandon Schoettle and Michael Sivak, (2014) stated that the emergence of self-driving cars gain the interest of many people as well as researchers who were interested in measuring the people's perception of such car. The Media as well was interested in self-driving car topic as it takes part of their reports and news.

? 0: No Automation: Driver is completely responsible about driving. ? 1: Function-specific Automation: One or more of the control functions can be automated but they operated independently of each other and the driver is fully responsible about driving. ? 2: Combined Function Automation: Minimally two of the control functions can be automated and work together, and driver may have time to take hands and feet off the control. ? 3: Limited Self-Driving Automation: Automated car but the driver is expected to participate in driving when it is needed i.e. driving control will be shift to the driver in some situations. ? 4: Full Self-Driving Automation: Driver will not participate in driving just will provide the destination.

b) The need for self-driving car When considering the current transportation system, there are many problems that governments seek to find solutions for such as traffic congestion and air pollution resulting from the emissions of carbon dioxide from cars. One of the suggested solutions is the adoption of smart cars i.e. self-driving cars.

With the emergence of self-driving cars and people's interest in them, this important question comes to our minds, is there a need for this type of cars? There are many reasons to adopt the idea of self-driving cars. Matja?Knez, Matev?Obrecht, (2019) stated that the car registration worldwide increased sharply year after year, and this increase directly affect the environment and raising the air pollution since most of these cars are fuel-based cars. Self-driving car is smart car some of these cars are fuel-based and some others are electric-based. The use of self-driving cars would give the users the opportunity to reach their destinations faster which may reduce the driving time hence reduce emissions. Daniel Howard and Danielle Dai, (2013) explained how self-driving cars depends on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) that provides high safety level and smart calculation for best road to reach destination. The use of smart transportation system will result in reducing traffic jams, reducing car accidents hence saving lives and reducing emissions hence reducing air pollution.

Corey D. Harper, Chris T. Hendrickson, Sonia Mangones, Constantine Samaras, (2016) stated that people with
disabilities, old people as well as people that are not driving due to medical problems consider the self-driving car as a solution for them to reach their destinations hence there is an increasing need for such cars. From what is mentioned earlier, it is clear that there is an increasing need for self-driving cars.

4 c) Benefits of self-driving car
Brandon Schoettle and Michael Sivak, (2015) believed that it is expected that the self-driving cars would provide great benefits to the users. It is expected that the self-driving cars will provide comfortability compared to traditional cars that the human drive which may result in increased of traveling and mobility. It is expected as well that the self-driving cars reduce traffic jams and provide high standards of safety. Michael A. Nees, (2016) stated as well that the self-driving cars would increase the safety and reduce traffic problems. Michael A. Nees, (2016) believed that self-driving cars would allow the users of the car to take benefits of the road time. Ward C., Raue M., Lee C., D’Ambrosio L., Coughlin J.F, (2017) agrees on the benefits mentioned earlier that self-driving cars have great benefits such as reducing traveling time, reducing traffic jams, reducing car accidents and allowing the users to take benefits of the travelling time. Yu Shi, Jiefeng Chen, Qi Li, (2017) studied how the use of self-driving cars effects the capacity of the traffic and found that the cooperation of self-driving cars will results in raising traffic capacity, researchers as well stated that self-driving cars are efficient is speeding up the traffic flows. Self-driving cars would provide great transportation solution for people with disabilities, old people as well as people that are not driving due to medical problems as mentioned by Corey D.Harper, Chris T.Hendrickson, Sonia Mangones, Constantine Samaras, (2016). When reviewing the benefits mentioned earlier, benefits of self-driving cars can be concluded as:

- Self-driving car expected to provide high safety as it respects road rules and will reduce the accidents that are due to human errors.
- The self-driving cars give the user the opportunity to take benefits of roads times.
- Self-driving car tends to provide comfort to the user of the car which can lead to increase in the travelling and mobility.
- Self-driving cars would have great impact on traffic system as it will reduce traffic jams and raise the traffic flows especially at peak-hours.
- Self-driving cars will reduce the transportation time as it will give the users the chance to reach destinations faster and as a result the fuel consumption will be reduced as well as the emissions from the cars will be reduced and that will have positive impacts on the environment.
- Self-driving car could be perfect transportation method especially for people with disabilities, old people and people that cannot drive due to medical problems.

5 d) Challenges for self-driving car adoption
Brandon Schoettle and Michael Sivak, (2014) mentioned how it is important to set new traffic regulations that consider self-driving cars. Michael A. Nees, (2016) raised an important challenge when start using self-driving cars as that type of cars may share the roads with traditional cars that the human drive and this may provide unexpected results.

Michael A. Nees, (2016) believed that the ideal prototype of the self-driving cars that has been advertised may not actually materialize when self-driving cars widely used in real world and this challenge may have negative impacts on public.

Daniel Howard and Danielle Dai, (2013) stated that despite that the self-driving cars planned to be more efficient and sustainable as well as it is assumed that is would be a safe car, the perception of public to turn into using self-driving cars may be challenging as public concerned about the real safety and liability the selfdriving cars that will be provided in real world. Researchers as well mentioned the manufacturing cost as a challenge as it is expected that self-driving cars would be of high cost for users to own and for government to adapt the road infrastructure for the use of such cars.

M. König, L. Neumayr, (2016) raised the uncertainty challenge for the adoption of self-driving cars as researchers mentioned how people as well as stakeholders may resist to adopt such cars because of their opinions about car’s uncertainty. Researchers as well mentioned the people’s resistance to change and caution’s to “new thing” as a big challenge for the adoption of self-driving cars. One more challenge raised by the researchers that some people drive for pleasure and racing purposes; those people may resist to turn into using self-driving cars.

Frank Douma and Sarah Aue Palodichuk, (2012) stated that self-driving cars may be target for hackers or terrorists. As self-driving cars route can be tracked easily; it is essential to consider the system security and privacy of the self-driving cars. People tend to care about their privacy hence securing the system of the self-driving cars is another challenge for the adoption of self-driving cars.

6 Research Questions
As been discussed in the previous sections, the research gap is to measure the people’s intention to turn into using self-driving cars in United Arab Emirates. The objective of this research paper is to investigate the user’s preferred specifications in self-driving cars and the relationship between self-driving car’s features and the user’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. The researcher as well aim to measure the difference between the male and females in their intention to turn into using self-driving car.
The emerge of self-driving cars attracted the interest of governments, car companies, researchers and people as well, surveys conducted in this field to report people’s intention to use the self-driving cars.

The main research question to fulfill the gap is “To what extent people in United Arab Emirates have the intention to turn into using self-driving car?” This main research question will be addressed through the following research questions:

7 Q1:
To what extent UAE people care about specifications of the self-driving car? Q2: Does the specifications of the self-driving car impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q3: Does the self-driving car’s features impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q4: To what extent people in United Arab Emirates have the intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q5: Does the Gender factor have different impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q6: Does the Driving Experience factor have different impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q7: Does the Education Level factor associated with the intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q8: Does the Gender and Driving Experience associated? the self-driving car’s features affect the user’s decision and intention to use this type of cars. Thus, this research hypothesis that there is strong association between the self-driving car’s features and people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. Author of this research paper stated the hypothesis of this research as following: H1: UAE people highly care about the specification of self-driving car H2: There is significant association between self-driving car’s specifications and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H3: There is significant association between self-driving car’s features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H4: There is significant association between self-driving car’s safety features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H5: There is significant association between self-driving car’s performance features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H6: There is significant association between self-driving car’s Ease of Use features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H7: There is significant association between self-driving car’s usefulness features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H8: There is no significant difference between males and females in their intention to turn into using self-driving car. H9: Driving Experience have positive impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car. H10: Level of Education is not associated with the intention to turn into using self-driving car. H11: there is significant association between gender and driving experience.

Research hypothesis associated with research questions: H1: UAE people highly care about the specification of self-driving car Q2: Does the specifications of the self-driving car impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? H2: There is significant association between self-driving car’s specifications and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. Q3: Does the self-driving car’s features impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? H3: There is significant association between self-driving car’s features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H4: There is significant association between self-driving car’s safety features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H5: There is significant association between self-driving car’s performance features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H6: There is significant association between self-driving car’s Ease of Use features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H7: There is significant association between self-driving car’s usefulness features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H8: People in United Arab Emirates have great intention to turn into using self-driving car. H9: there is no significant difference between males and females in their intention to turn into using self-driving car. Q4: To what extent people in United Arab Emirates have the intention to turn into using self-driving car? H10: Driving Experience have positive impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car. Q5: Does the Gender factor associated with the intention to turn into using self-driving car? H11: Level of Education is not associated with the intention to turn into using self-driving car. Q6: Does the Driving Experience factor have different impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car? Q7: Does the Education Level associated? H12: there is significant association between gender and driving experience.

The hypothesis above are tested utilizing bivariate correlation and Regression and other statistical tests. Sections below define and discuss the results found.

Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) utilized as basis for developing conceptual model for this In this research paper, researcher identified two factors that affects user’s intention to turn into using self-driving car i.e. specifications and features of self-driving car. Researcher aim to investigate whether the UAE people care about self-driving car specifications when intending to buy a car and to what extent they care about these specifications. Researcher identified the specifications as the information, facts and important details about the self-driving cars that most of the regular car companies displayed and proposed for the customers. These specifications are real and available in regular cars as well, such as: system, car outside look, wheels, braking system, engine, luxury and
8 Methodology

Data utilized in this research paper is gathered through online questionnaire. Before start responding to the questionnaire, respondents must read brief description about the self-driving car. The questionnaire consists of four sections, the first section consists of five demographics i.e. age, gender, level of education, nationality and driving experience, the second section is to measure respondent’s interest and care about the self-driving car’s specifications, the third section is about self-driving car’s features, and the forth section is to measure the respondent’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. Questionnaire utilizes seven-point scales. The questionnaire is included in Appendix A.

The questionnaire was sent to number of respondents for testing and checking the accuracy of the questions as well as evaluating the clearness of the questions. The targeted population of the questionnaire is people in United Arab Emirates.

After testing the questionnaire, the questionnaire has been sent into 50 persons and the number of collected responses was 39 responds. Number of males participated in answering the questionnaire was 20 persons, while number of females was 19 persons. The age of the respondents to the questionnaire is up to 59 years old, nobody of 60 years old or above participated in answering the questionnaire. Questionnaire was sent to people of different education levels, but most of the responses were from people holding bachelor’s degree. Information about driving experience as well collected from respondents to investigate if the driving experience has impact of respondent’s decision to turn into using self-driving car.

Research hypothesis were investigated through statistical experiments in order to answer the three main research questions. Before conducting experiments, it is essential to identify the consistent and independent variables for each of the research questions as follows:

Q1: To what extent UAE people care about specifications of the self-driving car? Dependent variables: user’s interest in self-driving car’s specification Independent variables: Self-Driving car specifications (comfort, luxury, wheels and tires, braking-system, outside look, steering, number of passengers, seating, entertainment, safety system, multi-view technologies, car engine, speed, complete autonomous driving system, partial autonomous driving system) Group: UAE people.

Q2: Does the specifications of the self-driving car impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? Dependent variable: user’s intention to turn into using self-driving car Independent variable: self-driving car specifications (comfort, luxury, wheels and tires, braking-system, outside look, steering, number of passengers, seating, entertainment, safety system, multi-view technologies, car engine, speed, complete autonomous driving system, partial autonomous driving system) Group: UAE people.

Q3: Does the self-driving car’s features impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? Dependent variable: user’s intention to turn into using self-driving car Independent variable: self-driving car features (safety, performance, ease of use, benefits) Group: UAE people.

The questionnaire questions uploaded into Google Forms to create online survey. Then the created survey was sent to the respondents. After gathering responses, file of responses was downloaded from Google Forms into SPSS software for analyzing results.

9 VI.

10 Data Analysis (Statistical Tests)

Responses were gathered and uploaded into SPSS software for data analysis purposes, number of statistical tests conducted as follows: Data was checked for common bias; results from Table 3 above show that data in this case loaded on 39 components, and the first component is only explained 26.550 variation of data, therefore there is no common bias in the collected data.a) Construct

ii. Scale Validity In this research paper, the developed questionnaire utilizes 7-point Likert scales ranging from Agree Strongly to Disagree Strongly. It is essential to test the scales reliability to ensure the consistency of the questions of the questionnaire. Cronbach’s Alpha is the important value to measure in the reliability test as it indicated how questions are interrelated in the questionnaire. The higher the value of Cronbach’s Alpha, the more reliability of the scale. Below are tables for scale validity i.e. reliability test.

The basic statistical measures of the constructs (Mean and Standard Deviations) are illustrated in Table 4, Table 7 and Table 10. No missing data has been detected as seen that valid N=39 is similar for all. A reliability analysis was carried out. The scale covering 14 items i.e. construct’s attributes. Cronbach’s alpha in Table 5 showed the questionnaire to reach acceptable degree of reliability for the first construct i.e. self-driving car’s specifications, Cronbach’s Alpha (?)= 0.771 (Table5). Table 6 shows that most items appeared to be worthy of retention, resulting in a decrease in the alpha if deleted. Except two items i.e. P1V1comfort and P1V2 safety
12.1 Comparison of the percent of each of the specification of self-driving car that user interested in:

When comparing the self-driving car’s specifications, statistics presented that respondents highly care about safety specifications. Statistics as well represented the following as seen in Table 13 and Figure 3 below: 1. Around 95% of respondents care about comfort specifications. 2. More than 97% of respondents with different degree of agreement care about safety, luxury, braking system, car’s outside look, speed, number of passengers, wheels and seating’s specifications, engine specifications of self-driving car. 3. Around 92% of respondents care about entertainment specifications. 4. Partial-autonomous cars are much preferred than complete autonomous cars. From all above, people highly believe that self-driving car would provide benefits to them and these usefulness features would encourage them to buy such car. From construct and validity test it was found that the there is no common bias in the collected data and the reliability test presented high score of Cronbach’s Alpha which indicated high degree of reliability.

11. b) Univariate statistics

Data were collected and organized, the univariate test is simple test conducted in order to explore the data and measure the frequencies of attributes as well as mean, median and mode. Univariate test utilized for description purposes; it doesn’t involve finding relationships between data. In this research paper, questionnaire consists of 39 questions, univariate statistical test carried out for exploring frequencies and description purposes. Appendix B consists of the Univariate Statistics for construct’s attributes as well as Univariate Statistics for Demographics. Tables below consists of comparison between frequencies of construct’s attributes:

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When comparing the self-driving car’s specifications; statistics presented that respondents highly care about safety specifications. Statistics as well represented the following as seen in Table 13 and Figure 3 below: 1. Around 95% of respondents care about comfort specifications. 2. More than 87% of respondents believe that self-driving car would be easy to use. 3. More than 87% of respondents believe that they will learn how to use self-driving car fast. 4. More than 92% of respondents believe that the Ease of Use features of self-driving car will reduce car accidents. From all above, people highly believe that self-driving car would be easy to use, and they will learn fast how to use it, people as well believe that Ease of Use features would encourage them to buy such car. From all above, people highly believe that self-driving car would provide benefits to them and these usefulness features would encourage them to buy such car. From construct and validity test it was found that the there is no common bias in the collected data and the reliability test presented high score of Cronbach’s Alpha which indicated high degree of reliability. From all above, people highly believe that self-driving car would provide benefits to them and these usefulness features would encourage them to buy such car. From construct and validity test it was found that the there is no common bias in the collected data and the reliability test presented high score of Cronbach’s Alpha which indicated high degree of reliability.
From all above, people in UAE have great intention to turn into using self-driving car in the future. From all above, it is clear that UAE people highly care about all the specifications of the self-driving car, thus hypothesis H1 is accepted. The results show that there is an intermediate positive relationship between the constructs (Global Variables) along with intermediate correlation. So, the above suggested hypotheses H2 is accepted.

13 Regression Test:
Regression test conducted to whether the specifications of self-driving car could predict the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. Intermediate positive correlation exists between the self-driving car’s specifications and the people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car (R = .383) and the regression model predicted 14% of the variance. In other words, UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car is immediately predicted by self-driving car’s specifications as seen in Table 21 below. Below shows that for the independent variable (SPC), the probability for the t statistic (2.525) for b coefficient is .016 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the specifications of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H2 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with SPC (.383) is positive and implies that the better the specifications of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. Q3: Does the self-driving car’s features impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car? H3: There is significant association between self-driving car’s features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H4: There is significant association between self-driving car’s safety features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H5: There is significant association between self-driving car’s performance features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H6: There is significant association between self-driving car’s ease of use features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. H7: There is significant association between self-driving car’s usefulness features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. For this research question, global variables identified as following: A Bivariate correlation test was conducted as seen in the table 24. Correlation test was carried out to check if there is association between Intention to turn into using self-driving car (INT) and features (FET), safety features (SFET), performance features (PFET), ease of use features (EFET) and usefulness (BFET) of self-driving car at (.01) level, findings are: The results show that there is a strong positive relationship between all of the constructs (Global Variables) along with strong correlation. So, the above suggested hypotheses are all accepted, and all the null hypotheses were rejected. Regression Test:
Regression test conducted to whether the features of self-driving car could predict the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. Strong positive correlation exists between the self-driving car’s features and the people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car (R = .875) and the regression model predicted 76% of the variance. In other words, UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car is strongly predicted by self-driving car’s features as seen in Table 25 below. 27 below shows that the for the independent variable (FET), the probability for the t statistic (10.054) for b coefficient is .000 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the perceived features of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H3 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with FET (.856) is positive and implies that the much excellent features of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. 28 below shows that the for the independent variable (SFET), the probability for the t statistic (6.717) for b coefficient is .000 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the perceived features of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H4 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with FET (.741) is positive and implies that the much excellent safety features of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. 29 below shows that the for the independent variable (PFET), the probability for the t statistic (5.733) for b coefficient is .000 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the perceived features of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H5 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with FET (.686) is positive and implies that the much excellent performance features of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. 30 below shows that the for the independent variable (EFET), the probability for the t statistic (7.765) for b coefficient is .000 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the perceived features of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H6 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with FET (.787) is positive and implies that the much excellent ease of use features of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. 31 below shows that the for the independent variable (BFET), the probability for the t statistic (7.386) for b coefficient is .000 which is less than the level of significance (.05). So, there is a statistically significant relationship between the perceived features of the self-driving car and the intention to use that car. Therefore, H7 is accepted. Also, b coefficient that associated with FET (.772) is positive and implies that the much excellent usefulness features of the self-driving car the higher intention of the user to turn into using self-driving car. Results presented that UAE people have high intention to turn into using self-driving car. Statistics represented the following as seen in Table 32 and Figure 10 below: 1. More than 71% of respondents are willing to pay even more for the self-driving car while around 13% disagree about this. 2. 77% of respondents

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to buy such car in the future.

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From all above, people in UAE have great intention to turn into using self-driving car in the future. Thus, Hypothesis H8 is accepted. Q5: Does the Gender factor have different impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car? H9: there is no significant difference between males and females in their intention to turn into using self-driving car.

T-Test conducted to compare the intention to turn into using self-driving car based on the gender. An independent samples test was carried out to compare the intention to turn into using self-driving car based on gender. As seen in table 33 and table 34 There is no significant difference in the intention between Male and Female, t(39) = -0.533, p>0.05, two tailed with Female (M=34.1579, SD=7.80501) have slight higher intention to turn into using self-driving car than Male (M=32.9500, SD=6.30351), the magnitude of the difference in the means (mean difference 34.1579-32.9500=1.2079, 95% CI: -5.79966 to 3.38387) was small (eta squared = 0.0076). Since there is no significant difference in the intention between Male and Female to turn into using self-driving car, therefore, H9 is accepted. P3V4 ease-of-use P3V5 willing-buy P3V6 own-idea H10: Driving Experience have positive impact on the intention to turn into using self-driving car. From table 36 below, it is clear that there are no statistically differences between the groups as a whole since the sig > 0.05. One-way between groups analysis of variance was conducted to explore the impact of Driving Experience on the intention to turn into self-driving car. Participant were divided into six groups as the following (Never, Less than 5, 5-9, 10-14, 15-20, More than 20). We can see that the significance values 0.998, 0.913, 0.999, 0.994, 0.983, 0.991, 0.867, 0.971, 0.850, 0.645, 0.995, 0.883, 0.997 and 1.000 (i.e., p= values 0.998, 0.913, 0.999, 0.994, 0.983, 0.991, 0.867, 0.971, 0.850, 0.645, 0.995, 0.883, 0.997 and 1.000) which is above 0.05 as seen in table 37 below. Therefore, there is no statistically significant difference in the rating of intention to turn into using self-driving car based on the Driving Experience of the respondents. Thus, hypothesis H10 is rejected. viii. Chi-squared test to investigate whether there is association between gender and Driving Experience: H12: there is significant association between gender and driving experience.

15 Intention to turn into using self-driving car attributes

The sample size is less than 40, i.e. 39 so the smallest expected frequency is at least 5. Chi-Square test can be used to compare if there is an observed frequency distribution with an expected frequency distribution. Chi-Square test will be used to compare if there is observed frequency between driving experience and gender within the population.

Table 39 displays how gender is associated with driving experience. ??2-sided) value in this row, 0.010, is the p value rounded to 5 decimal places and should not be quoted in this form. Since p is less than 0.05 then there is an evidence of strong relationship between the gender and driving experience. This indicates that there is statistically significant association between Gender and Driving Experience.

16 Findings

Statistical Analysis conducted in previous section in order to answer research questions as well as examining hypothesis, table below present whether the hypothesis accepted or rejected: Q2: Does the specifications of the self-driving car impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car?

H2: There is significant association between self-driving car’s specifications and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. (Accepted)

Q3: Does the self-driving car’s features impact the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car?

H3: There is significant association between self-driving car’s features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. (Accepted) H4: There is significant association between self-driving car’s safety features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. (Accepted) H5: There is significant association between self-driving car’s performance features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. (Accepted) H6: There is significant association between self-driving car’s Ease of Use features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car. (Accepted) H7: There is significant association between self-driving car’s Usefulness features and the UAE people’s intention to turn into using self-driving car.

Statistical Analysis conducted as well for construct and scale validity; it was found that the there is no common bias in the collected data and the reliability test presented high score of Cronbach’s Alpha which indicated high degree of reliability.

Univariate statistical test carried out for exploring frequencies and description purposes and results reported in previous section.