

Language used

Does "heaven" reflect a utopian positive outcome?

Why "all"?

What does "short period of time" and "most people" mean?

The "heaven" version

In the "heaven" version, the autonomous cars will all be owned by fleet service providers (think Uber without Uber drivers) and over a relatively short period of time most people will stop owning and driving a personal vehicle, opting instead to call the service when they need mobility.

In this version, there will be a huge reduction in the private vehicle fleet as the number of vehicles required to deliver all the mobility needed has been modelled and is predicted to be at least below half of the number of vehicles in use today.

Importantly in the "heaven" version, it is expected people will share these vehicles, both concurrently (like carpooling) and consecutively (like car sharing). As a result, even demand for public transport will be reduced in the cities of the world, and there will be a lot less traffic congestion.

Argument

Who will be the fleet service providers? What about the relative cost to users? Will people be ready to give up autonomy?

Based on what has the prediction been made?

This will require a change in car use from private ownership.

Cities in developed Western countries?

Less traffic congestion? Where's the evidence? What about relocating cars?

Argument

Will sharing cars also mean sharing data? Ethics around "big data" usage?

Missed opportunity to discuss possible positive impact of driverless cars on the environment (e.g., reduced greenhouse gas emissions).