

Equipment safety and performance improvements through the use of a collision avoidance system

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Hexagon Mining

A solid foundation

In 2014, Hexagon Mining is formed by uniting Leica Geosystems Mining, Devex, SAFEmine, and MineSight



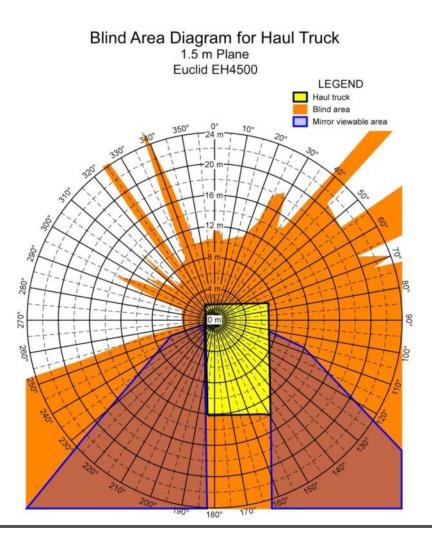




Problem

- Collisions involving equipment, light vehicles, personnel
- Unknown vehicle locations and status
- Limited reporting/analysis capabilities



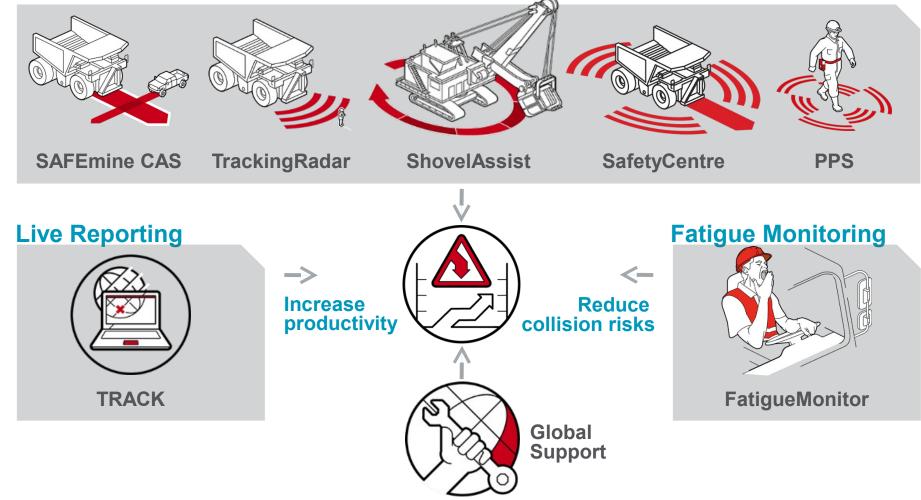






An Integrated Solution

Collision Avoidance





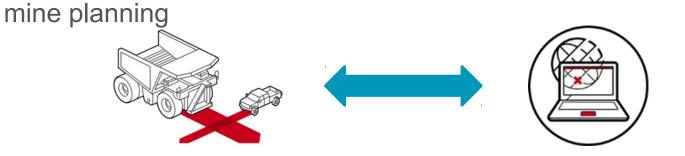




Hexagon Mining's Approach

Safety and productivity improvements:

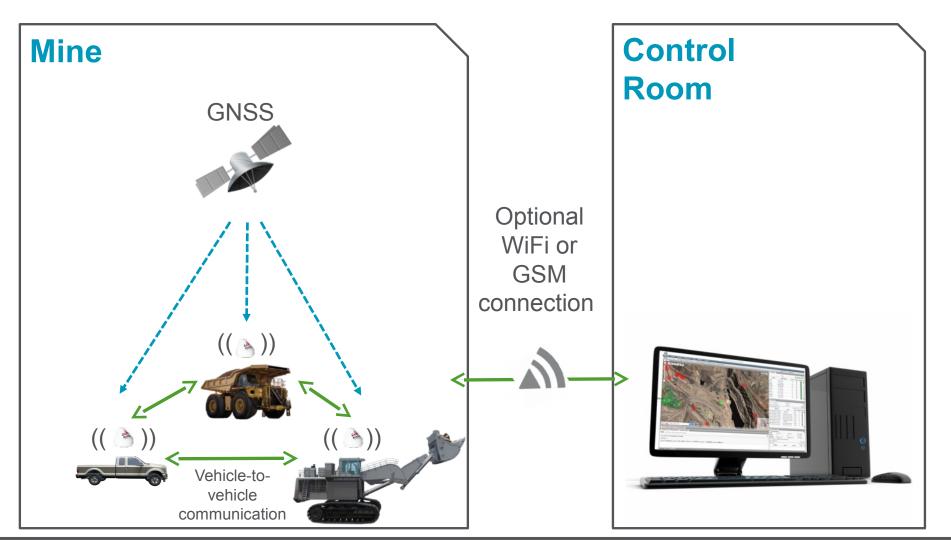
- Simple and intuitive collision avoidance with low nuisance alarm rate
- Fatigue monitoring and incident prevention
- Collision avoidance processor also used for vehicle monitoring
- Live data sharing with web-based interface working with FMS and







CAS Operating Principle









SAFEmine CAS - Awareness and Avoidance

Level 1: Traffic Awareness

- display indicates surrounding vehicles (360°), no blind spots
- several vehicles displayed simultaneously



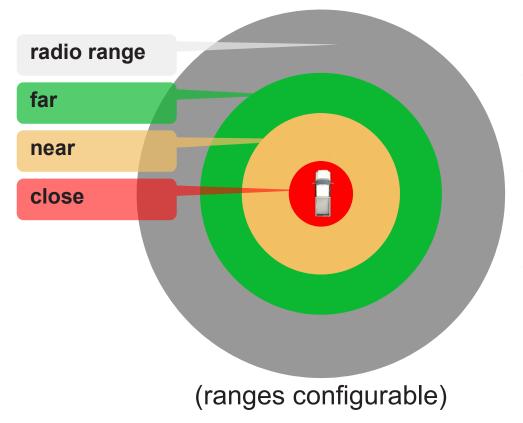
Level 2: Collision Avoidance

- intelligent warnings alert the driver
- based on: Dynamic Safety Zones





Level 1: Traffic Awareness



- Vehicles are visible up to 800 meters
- 3 configurable alert zones around the vehicle
- Real-time position and heading of vehicles





Level 2: Collision Avoidance

Dynamic Safety Zone (path prediction):

- adjusts safety zone according to speed, direction, vehicle type, braking dist., etc.
- only alarms when vehicles are on collision course (risk-based)
- adapts alarm sounds to the level of potential danger
- alerts the operator causing the dangerous situation



Parked or slow = short DSZ



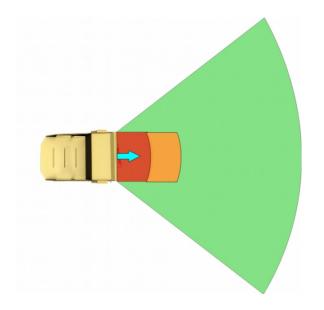
Fast = long DSZ

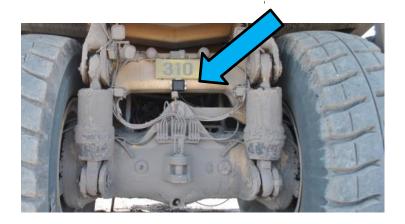




TrackingRadar

- Detects:
 - Ground personnel
 - Vehicles
 - Fixed hazard (rocks, buildings, berms)
- 2D detection and tracking
- Concurrent tracking of multiple targets to determine collision path









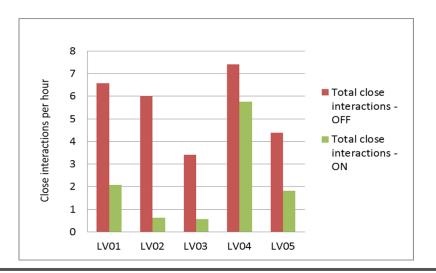
CAS Effectiveness

Maintenance Superintendent, Premier Mine:

"Premier had a more than 53% reduction in metal-to-metal contacts within the year following SAFEmine full implementation. The operators trust the system, the maintenance team has found it to be reliable."

Peabody reported a reduction in incidents at their Burton mine from 14 machine-to-machine incidents in year prior to SAFEmine, to average of 1 per year after SAFEmine was installed. 2014 Queensland Mining Industry Health & Safety Conference

Trial data shows changes in operator behavior after SAFEmine is implemented







TRACK Live Vehicle Monitoring



Reports all relevant safety information to your control room







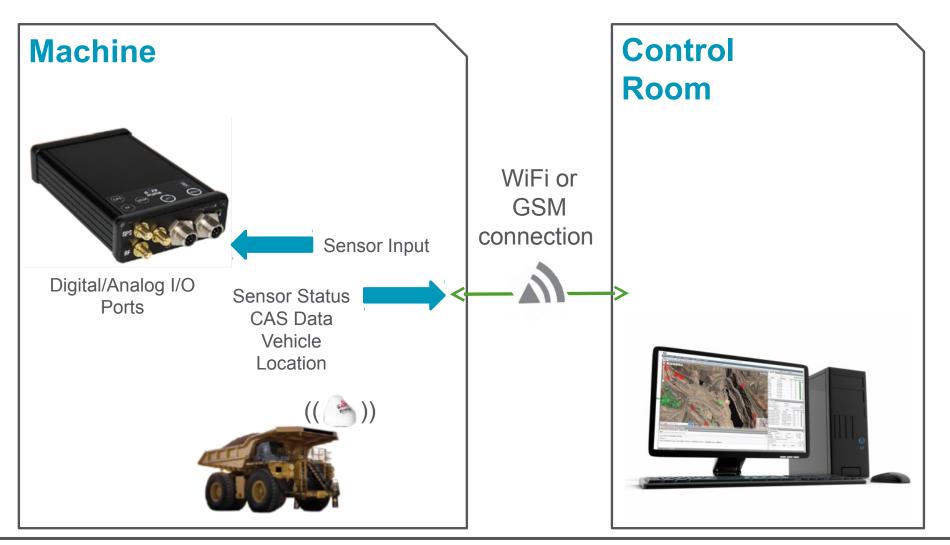




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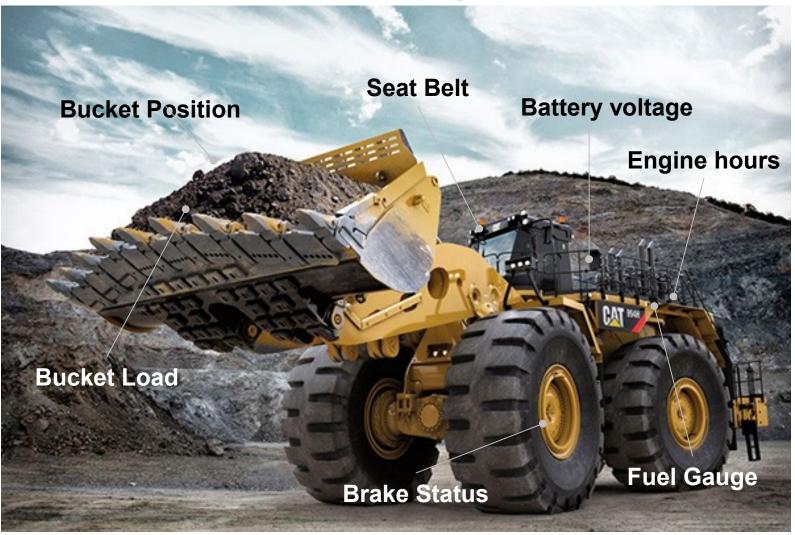


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Function: In-Vehicle Monitoring Examples



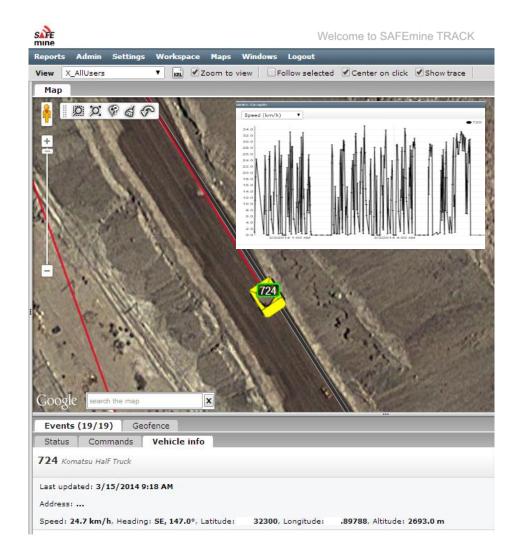




TRACK: Reporting

Flexible and configurable system for tailored reports:

- Vehicle activity, idle time, speed, sensor status, trip info
- Summaries and event-based
- Vehicle path replay
- Real-time alerts







Options: DriverID / Key Control

- Know who is operating your equipment
- Collect driver specific reports
- One card to access the mine and start the vehicle
- Prevents unauthorized drivers from starting vehicle (Key Control)

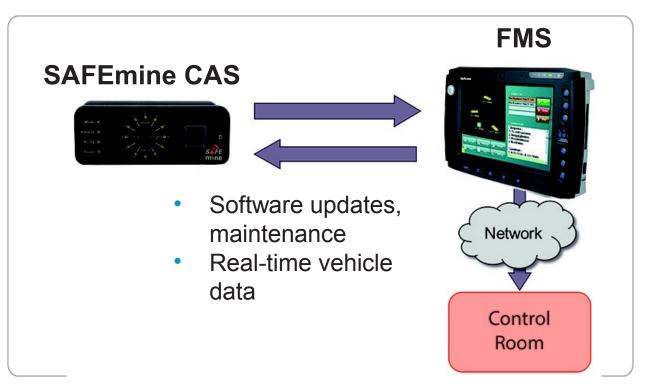






Integration with Fleet Management Systems

- Push toward de-cluttering the cab
- Can work with any Fleet Management System (FMS)
- CAS, FMS, TRACK work together for complete vehicle monitoring
- Current focus on Leica Jigsaw integration







Water Truck Usage and Optimization

Problem: Mine needed to improve dust control measures and efficiency of water trucks.

Solution: SAFEmine TRACK used to track path of water truck and watering status, and generate reports.

Sensor inputs:

- Water pump on/off
- GPS location
- Truck speed









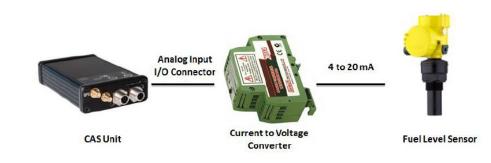
Fuel Level Monitoring

Problem: Mine needed a method to track and optimize refueling activity and tank refill.

Solution: SAFEmine TRACK used to monitor fuel level in fuel bowsers for usage analysis and scheduling.

Sensor inputs:

• Fuel level





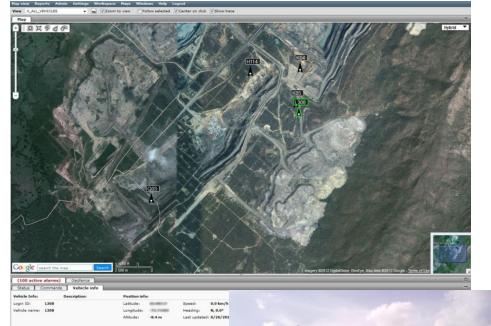




SAFEmine TRACK for Maintenance Dispatch

Problem: Inefficient and slow dispatch of service trucks.

Solution: SAFEmine TRACK used to locate and dispatch nearest service truck to equipment in need.

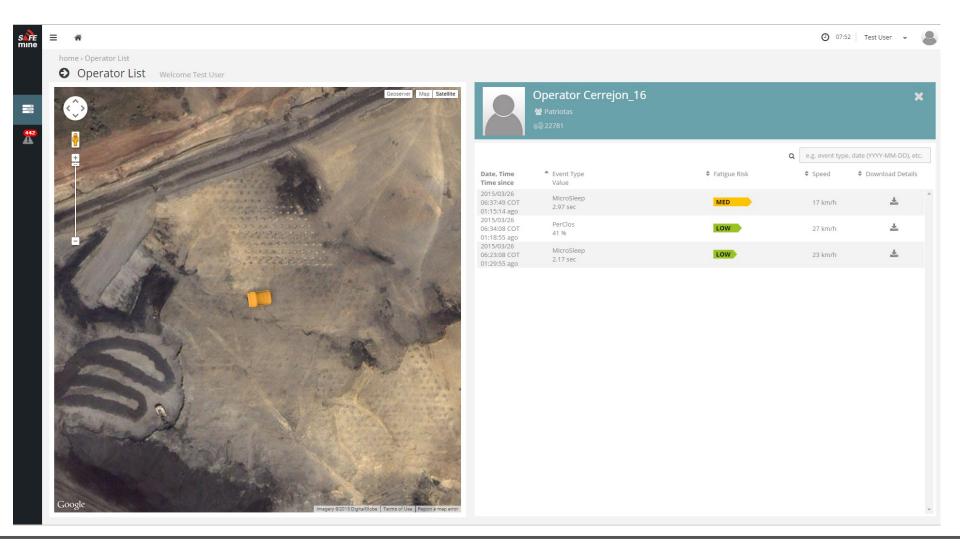








Fatigue Monitor – Control Room







Summary

Safety and productivity improvements through:

- Complete traffic safety solutions
 - Collision avoidance
 - Personnel and untagged object detection
 - Fatigue monitoring
- TRACK live monitoring and reporting
- Vehicle status and sensor monitoring for all vehicles
- Integration with FMS
- Analytics





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