

Fundamental probabilistic analysis on effectiveness of safety-presentation type on safe driving support system



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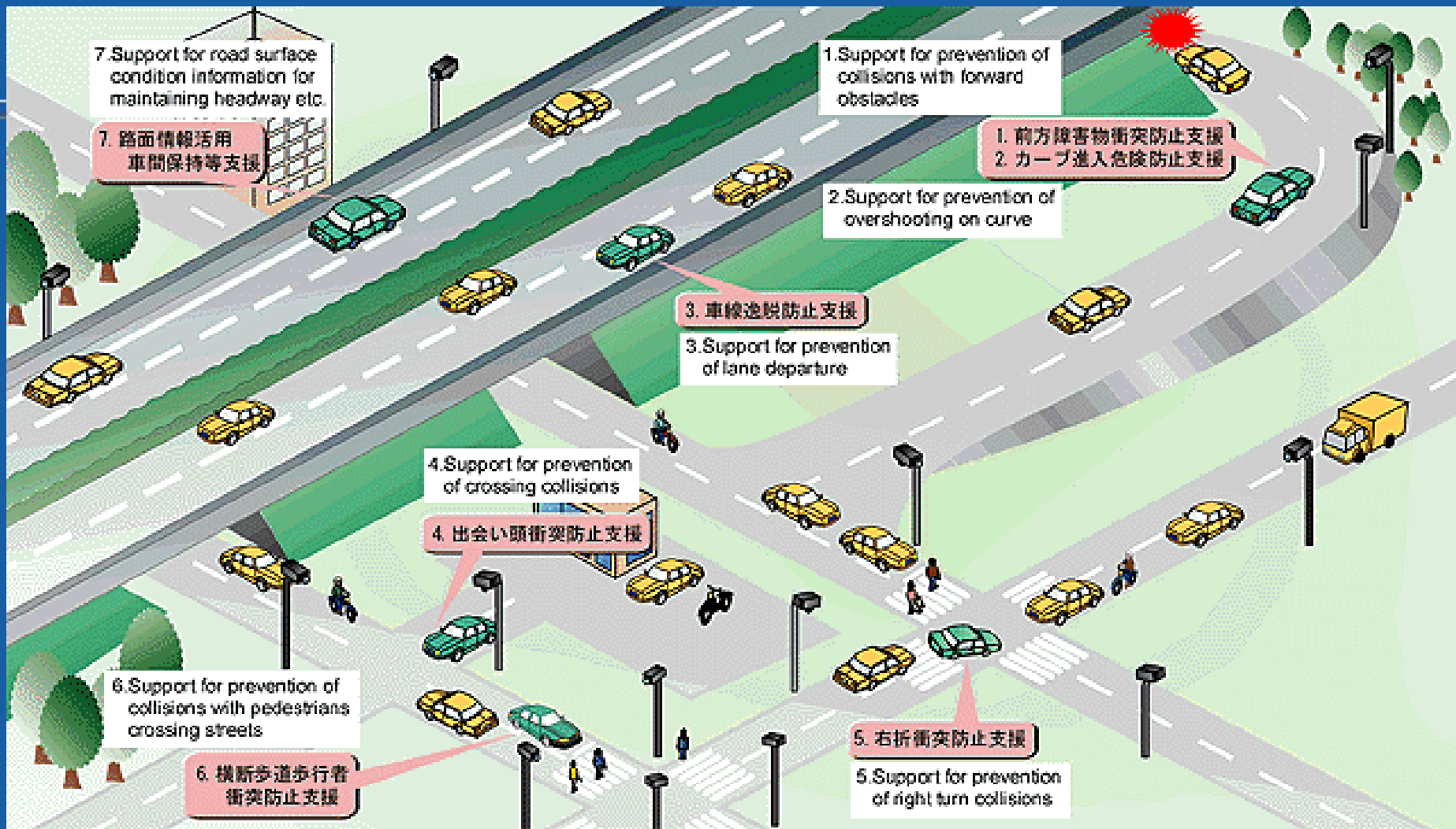
Current Situation

■ Traffic road accidents in Japan

- About 10,000 people are killed (decreasing)
- About 1,000,000 people are injured (increasing)

⇒ AHS (Advanced Cruise-Assist Highway System)

- Seven support services
 - Necessity of quantitative assessments



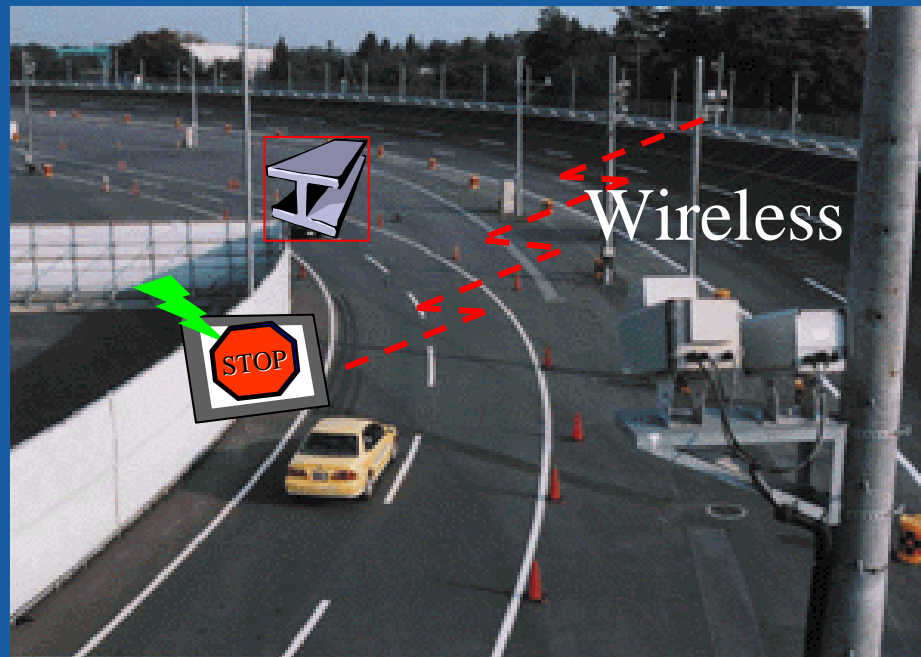
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Seven Services of AHS

- **Prevention of collision with forward obstacles**
- Prevention of overshooting on curve
- Prevention of lane departure
- Prevention of crossing collisions
- Prevention of right turn collisions
- Prevention of collisions with pedestrians crossing streets
- Road surface condition information for maintaining headway, etc

Safety Analysis

- Safety alarm for forward obstacle curve collision
 - Road-Vehicle communication system



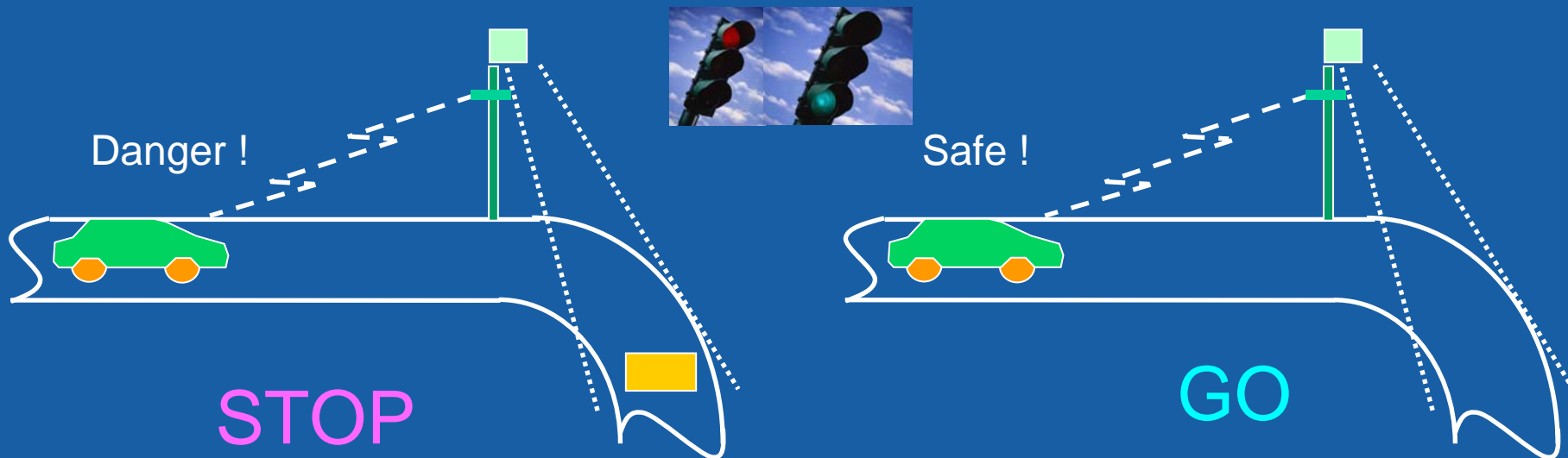
Discussion Point

■ Configuration of safety monitoring system

- Fault warning type & Safety presentation type

Fault Warning

Safety
Presentation



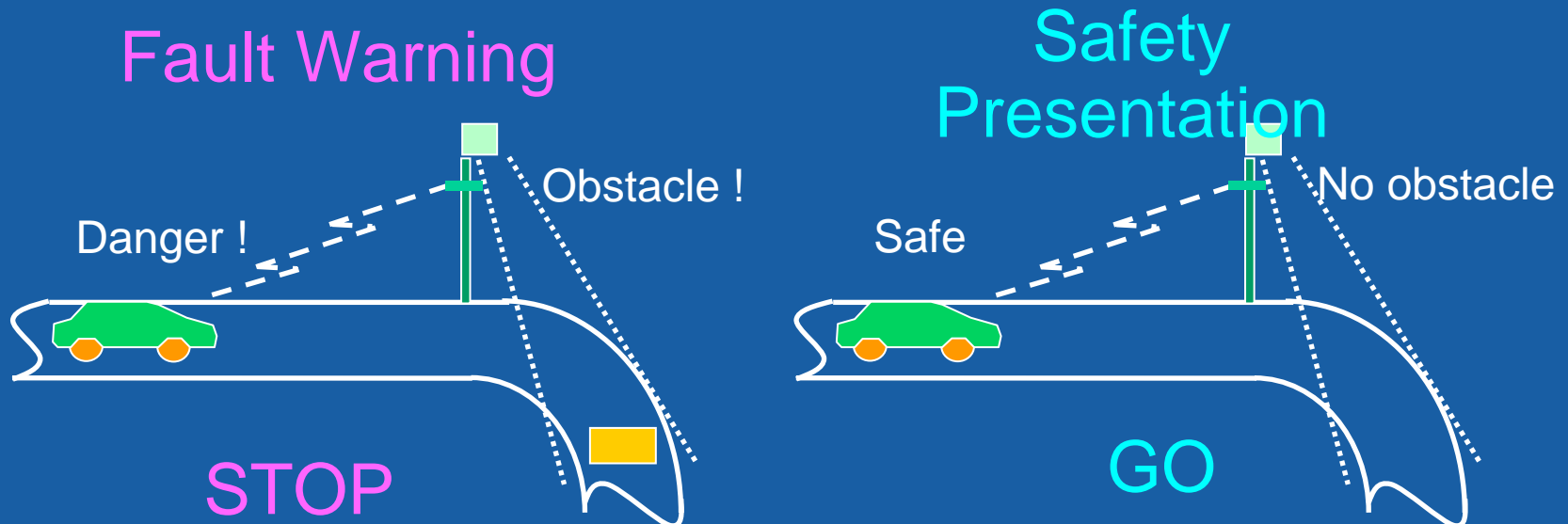
Which is more appropriate?

Comparative Study

■ Evaluation of implementation effect

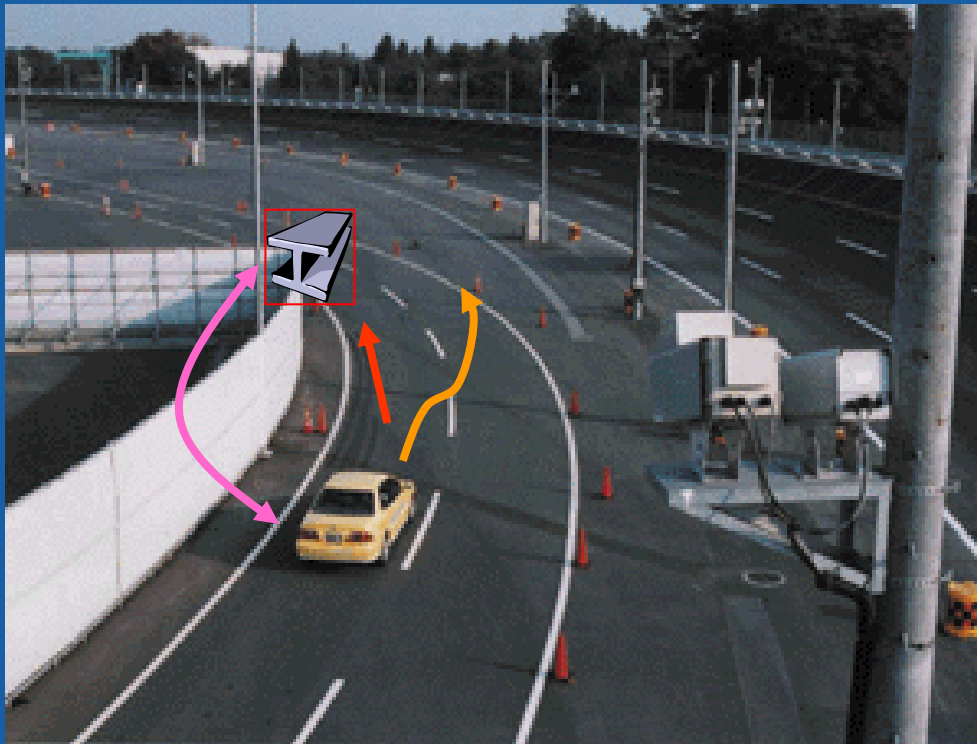
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- Scarcity of increasing accidents (abnormal operation)

=> Probabilities of fail dangerous failure



Accident Outbreak

■ Definition of the process



A: Avoidance Action

Ex. stopping, changing lane

A: No Avoidance Action

Ex. keeping on driving

D: Presence of Dangerous Relation

Def. situation where **A** surly
cause accident

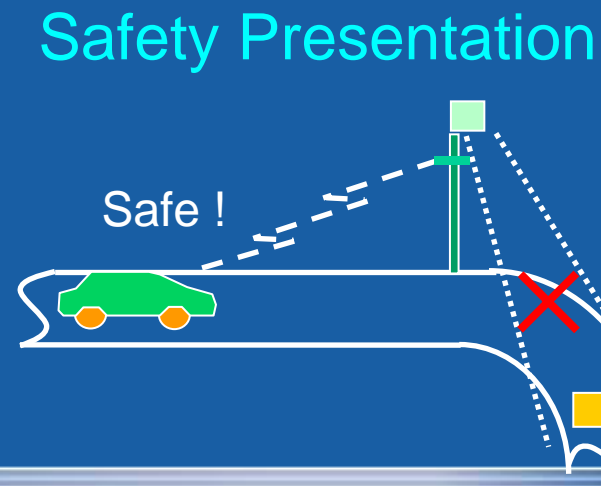
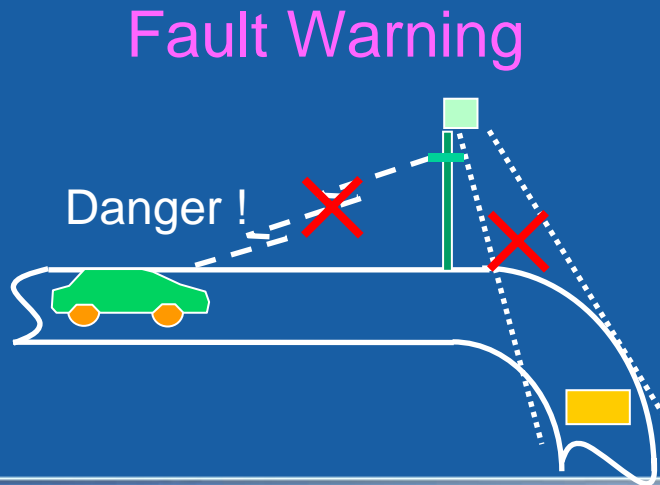
Fail Dangerous Failure

■ Fault warning

- Sensor fails to detect a danger relation D
- Sensor succeeds in detecting D but fails to send a message

■ Safety presentation

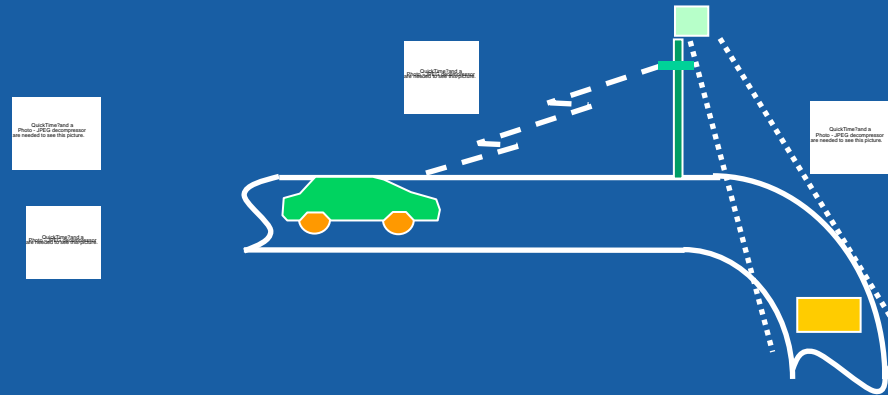
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Fail Dangerous Probability

■ Reliabilities

- Sensor detection
- Communication



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■ Safety presentation

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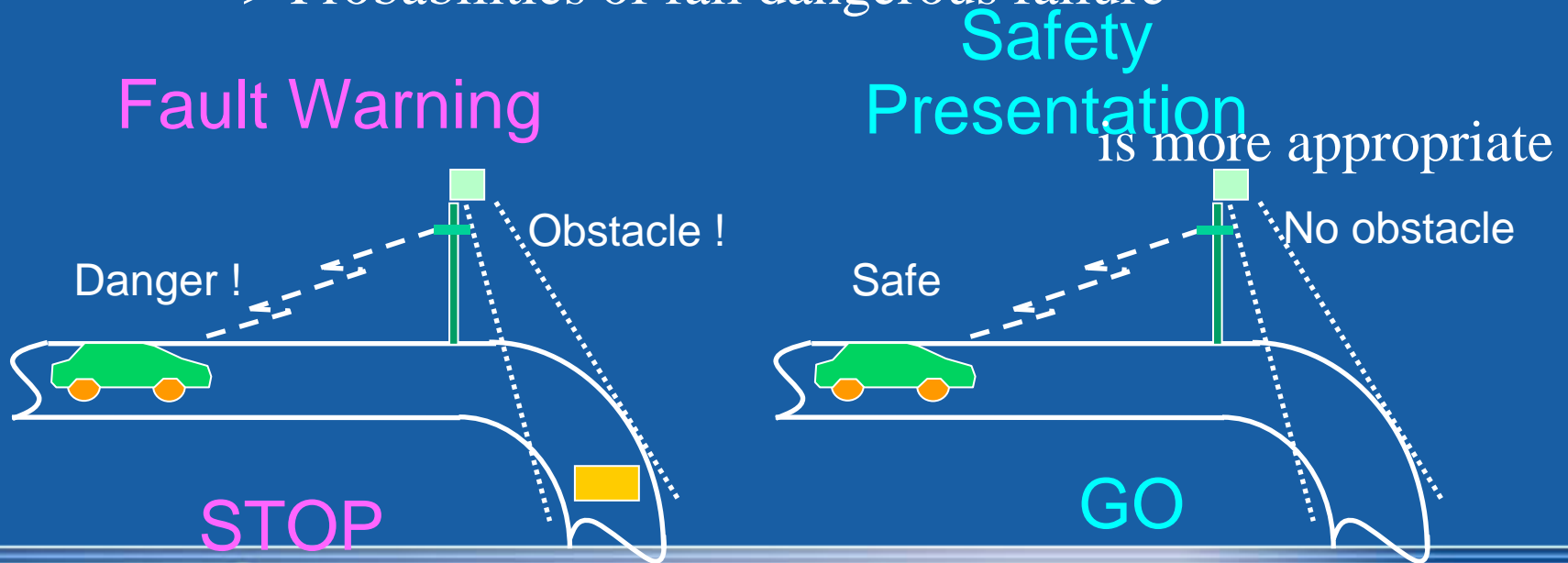
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Study Result #1

■ Evaluation of implementation effect

- Possibility of decreasing accidents (normal operation)
- Scarcity of increasing accidents (abnormal operation)

=> Probabilities of fail dangerous failure



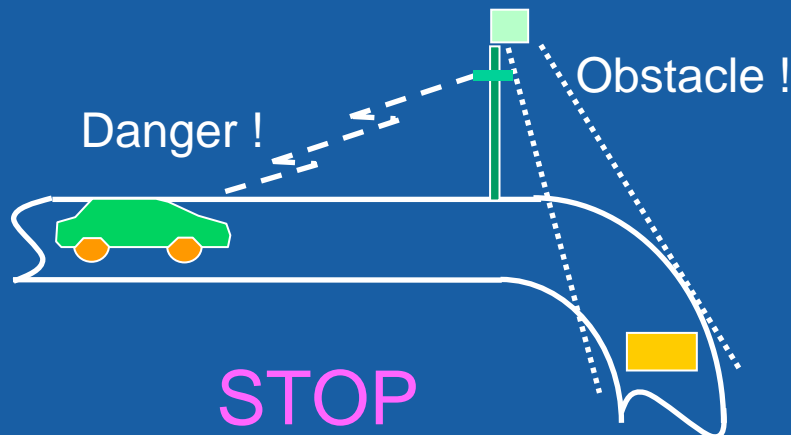
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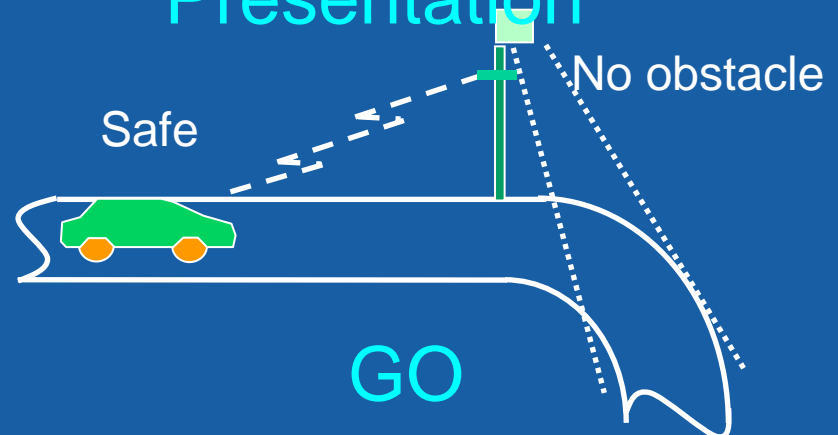
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=> Estimated Accident Probability after Implementation

Fault Warning

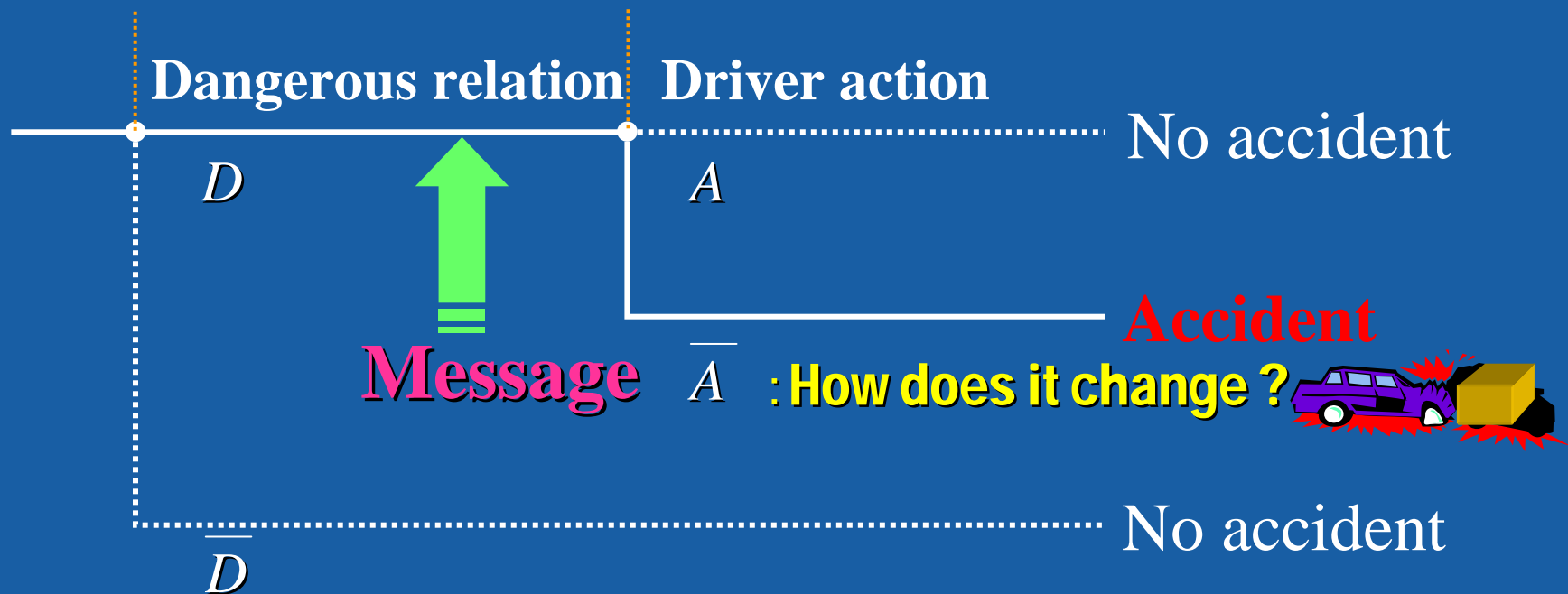


Safety Presentation



Accident process

■ Event Tree



D : Presence of Dangerous Relation

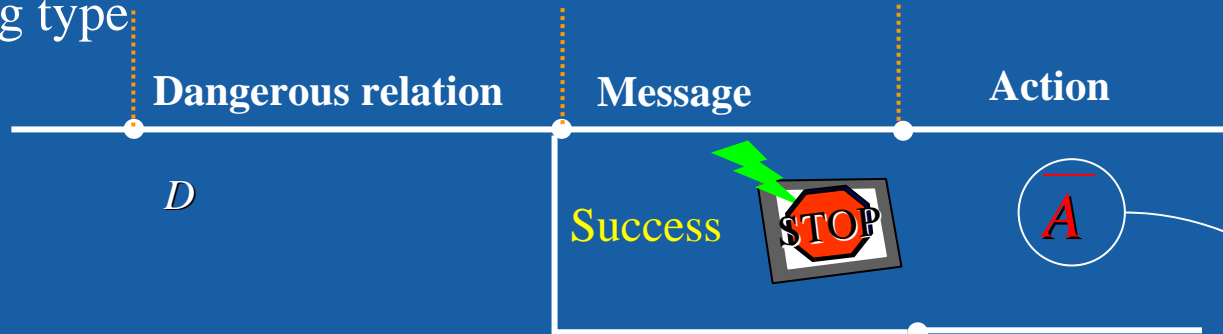
A : Avoidance Action

\bar{D} : Non-Presence of Dangerous Relation

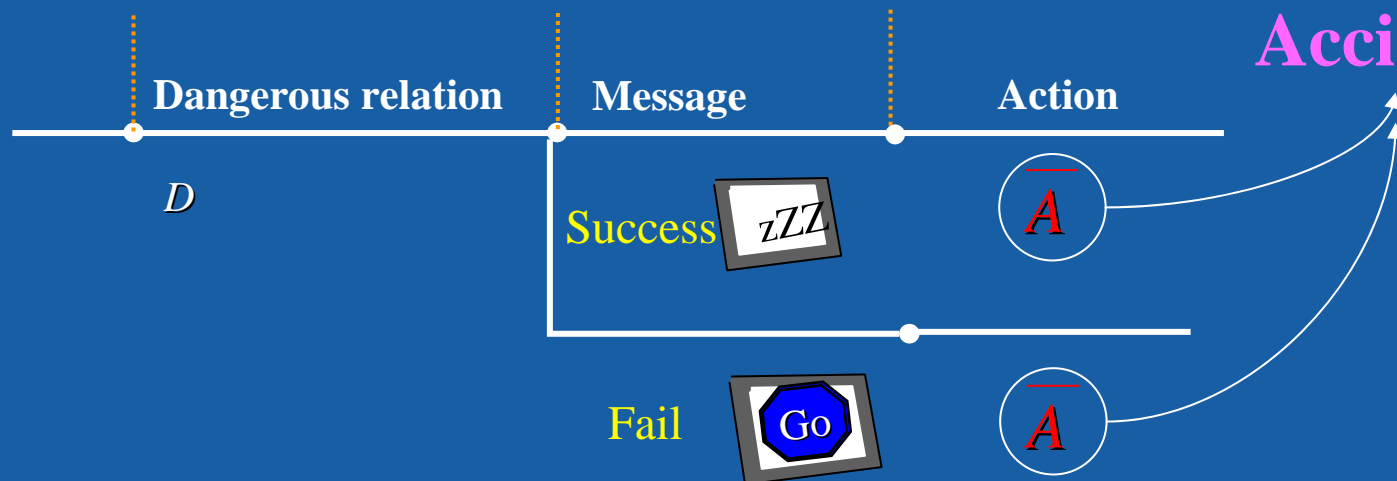
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Effect of Message

Fault warning type



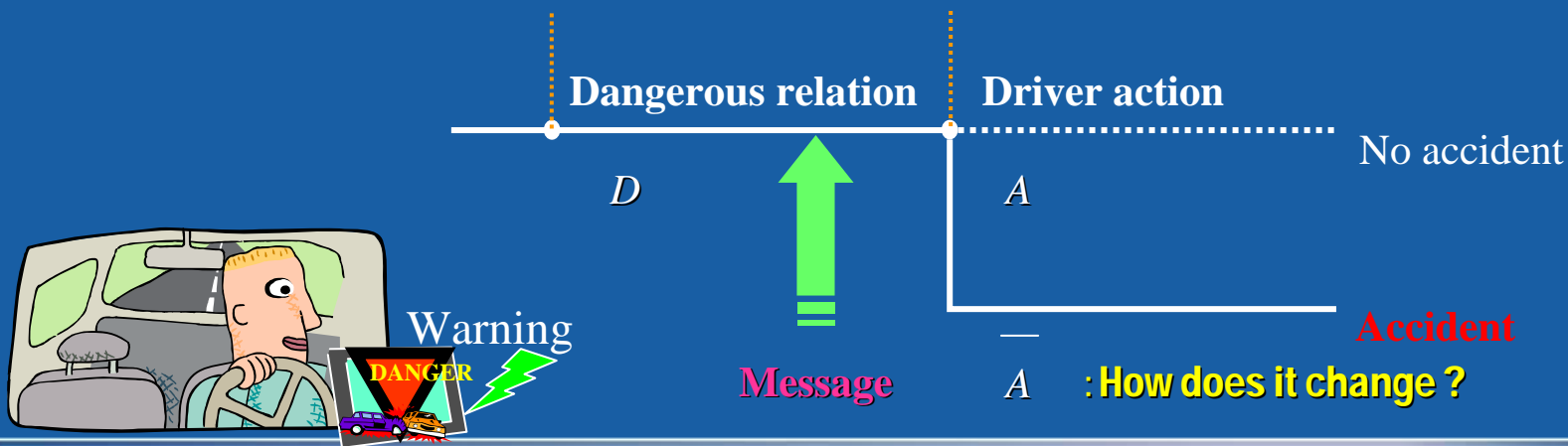
Safety presentation type



Effect of safety device

■ Evaluation method

- Experimental approach (case by case: bottom up)
 - e.g. driving simulator base
- Theoretical approach (general purpose: top down)
 - e.g. concept base



Topics

- Theoretical Approach: Cognitive Driver Model
 - Concept: risk homeostasis hypothesis
 - Our proposed model: maximum acceptable risk model

Risk Homeostasis Theory

■ Outline of the risk homeostasis theory

- A driver behaves based on a target level of risk

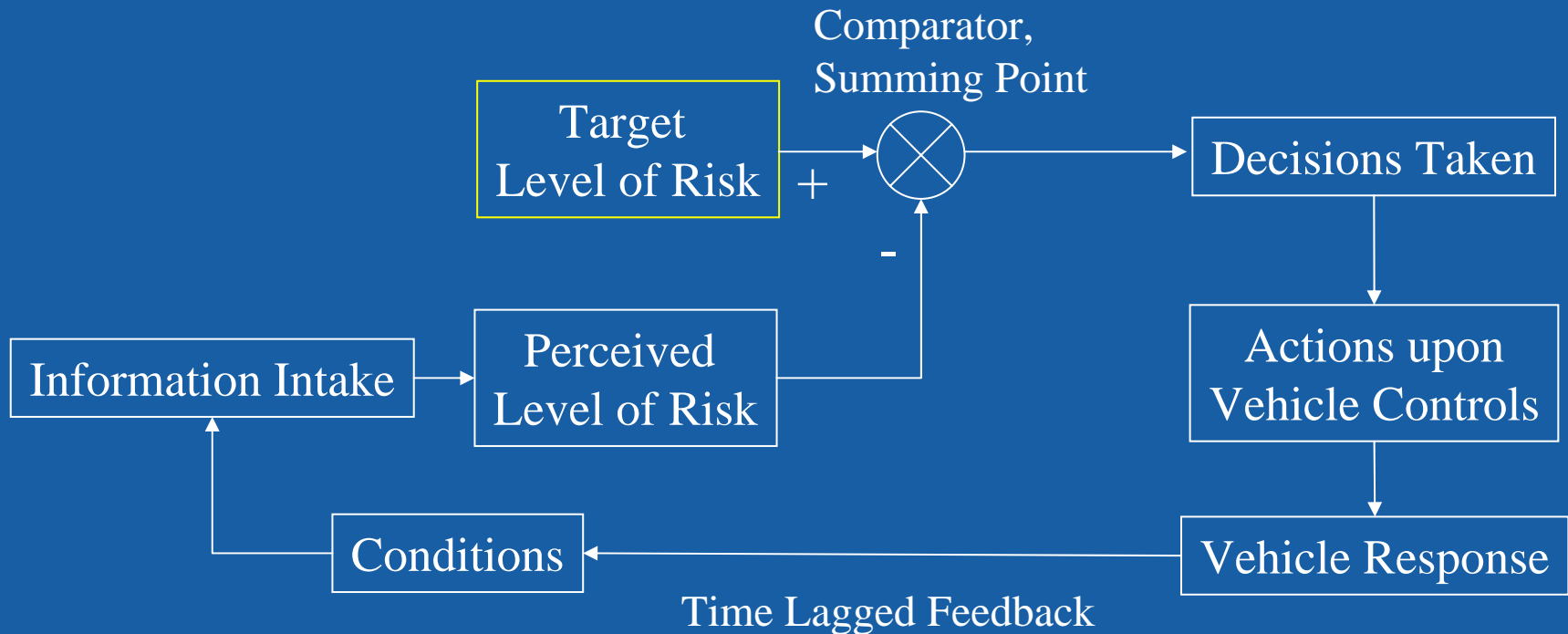


- An accident rate fluctuates around a stable mean
=> Risk Homeostasis

Wild, G. J. S: *Target Risk*, PDE Publications, 1994

Task Model (Target Risk Model)

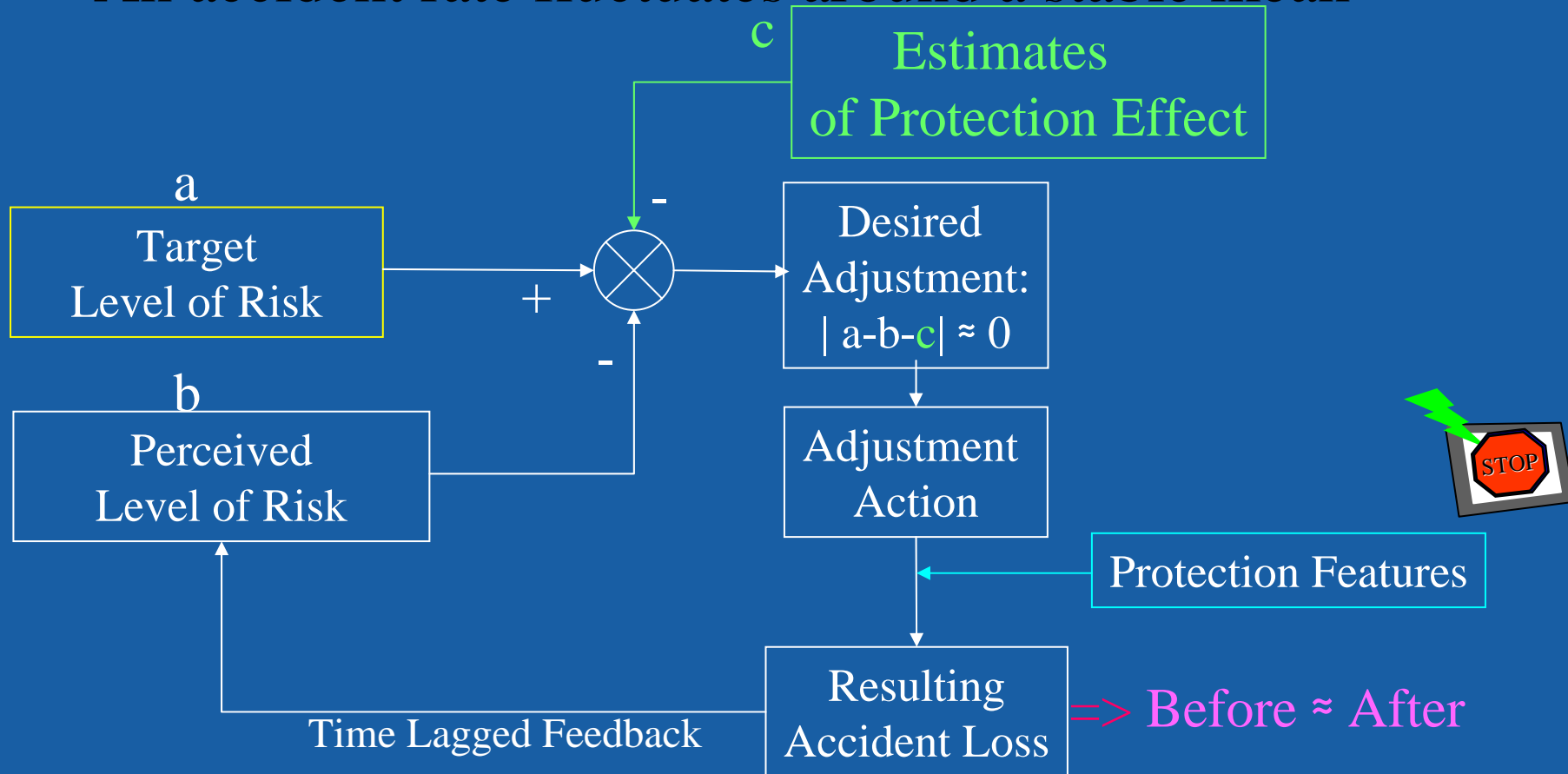
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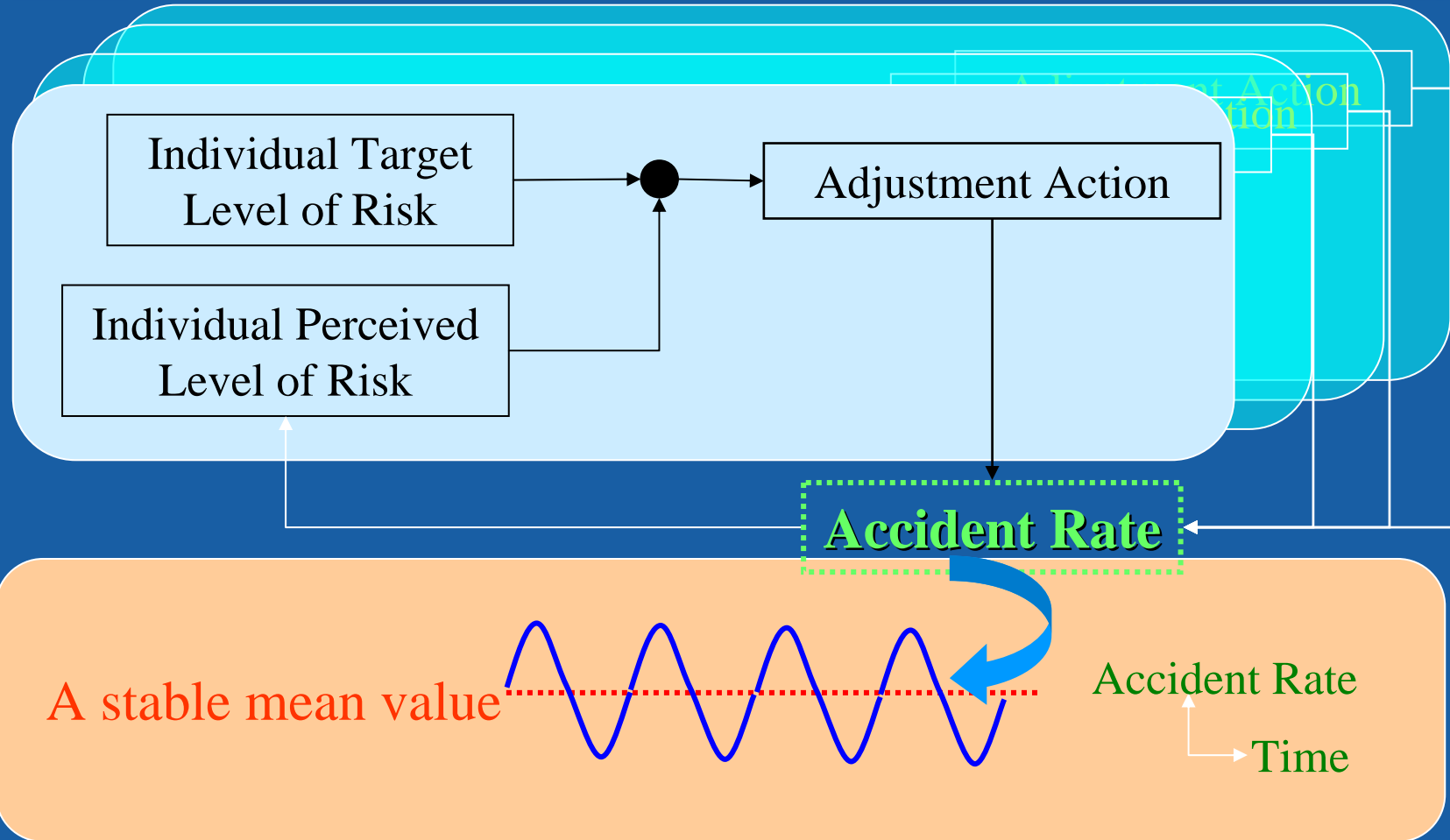
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Risk Homeostasis Model

- An accident rate fluctuates around a stable mean



Accident Rate



Argument for more than a decade

■ Fruitless argument

- Adams, 1981: The efficacy of seat belt legislation --- is one of evidence (by Wilde: the author)

- Grime, 1979: A review of research on the protection --- is one of contrary evidence (by MacKenna, 1982)

=> Wiled, 1984; MacKenna, 1982 is not sufficient analysis

=> Shannon, 1986: Road accident data ---
gave new contrary evidence

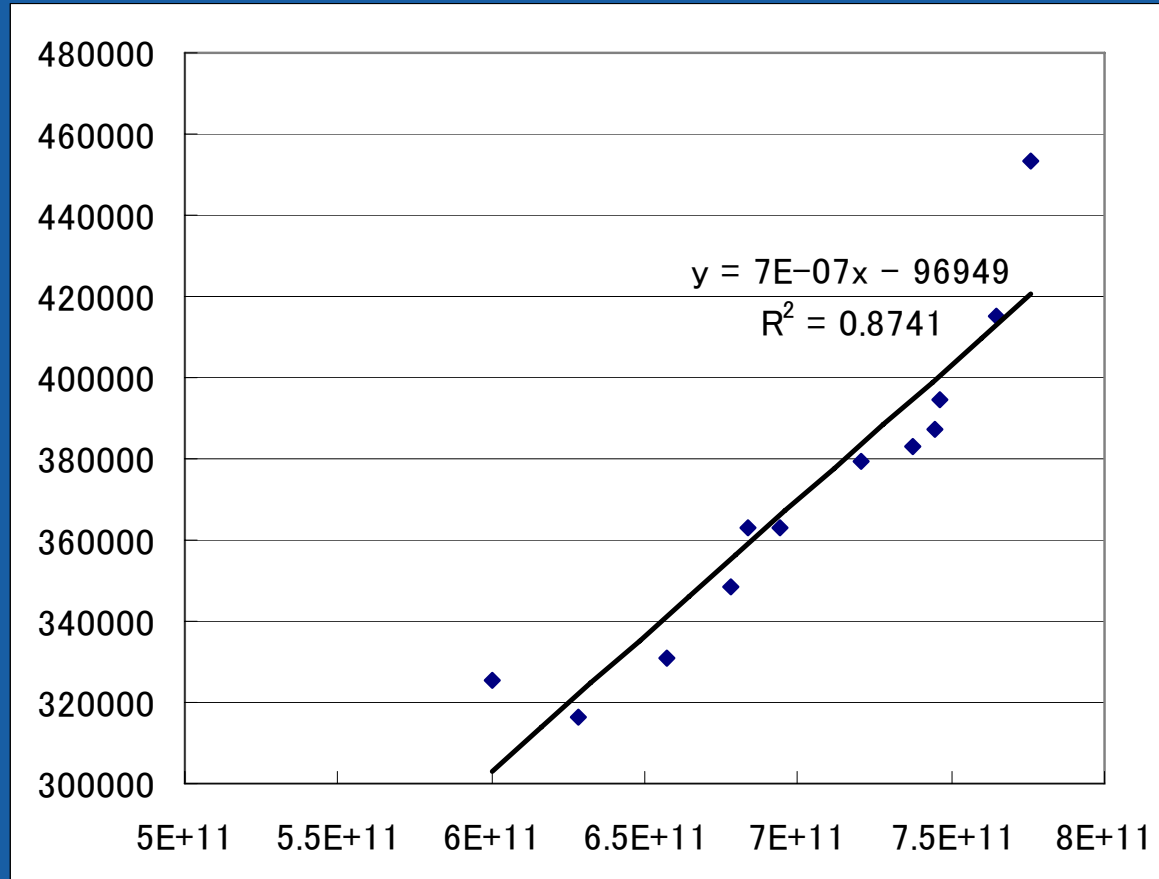
=> Evans 1986: Risk Homeostasis theory and traffic ---
gave some new contrary evidences and denied

=> Wiled, 1986; Evans, 1986 does not mean contrary evidence.
field experiments are sufficient analyses

 More arguments were yields

Strong correlation

Total number of accidents per year



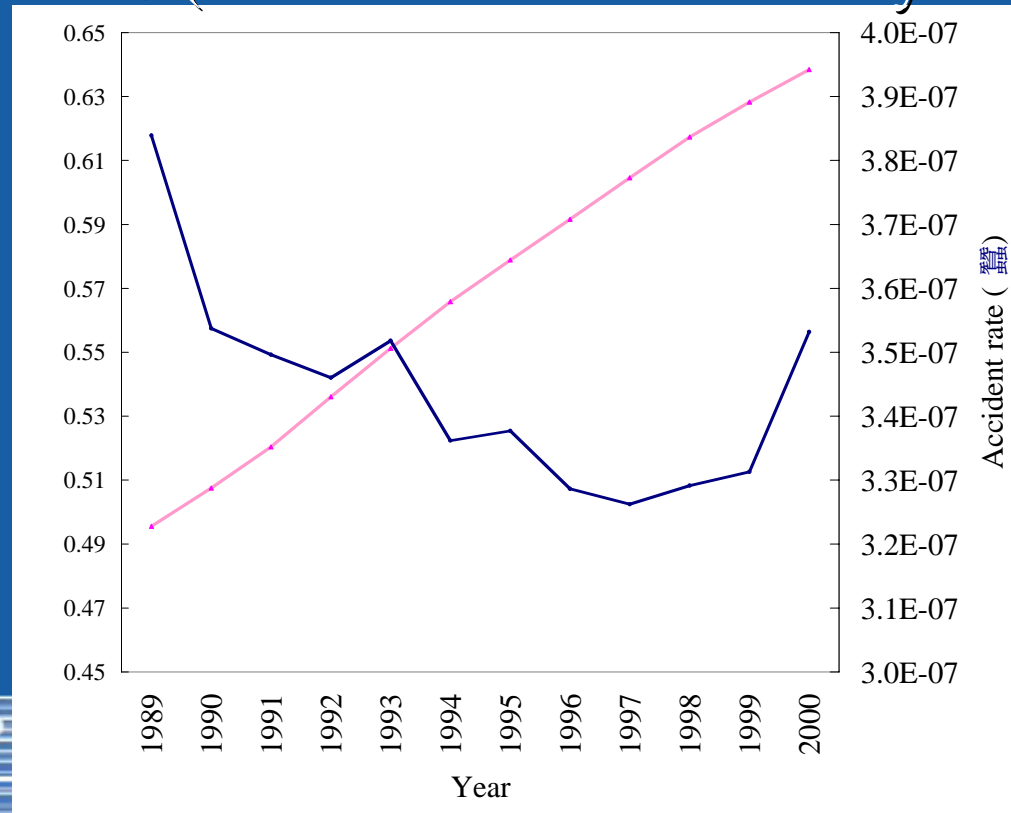
Total travel distance per year

Transition of accident rate

■ Accidents in intersections with traffic signals

● Accident rate:

accidents / (travel distance \times density of signal)



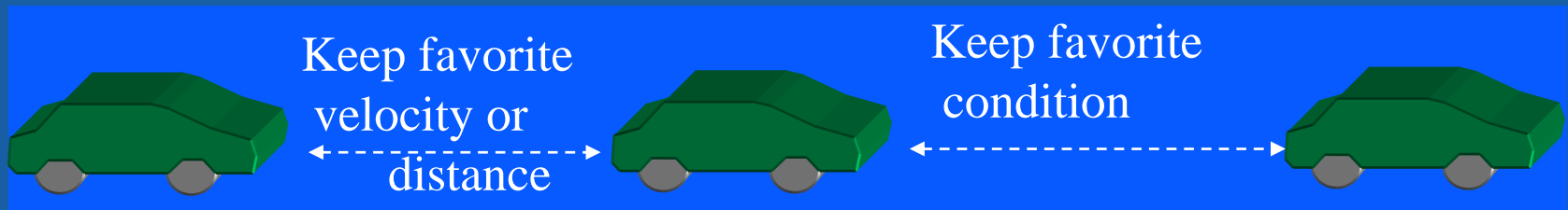
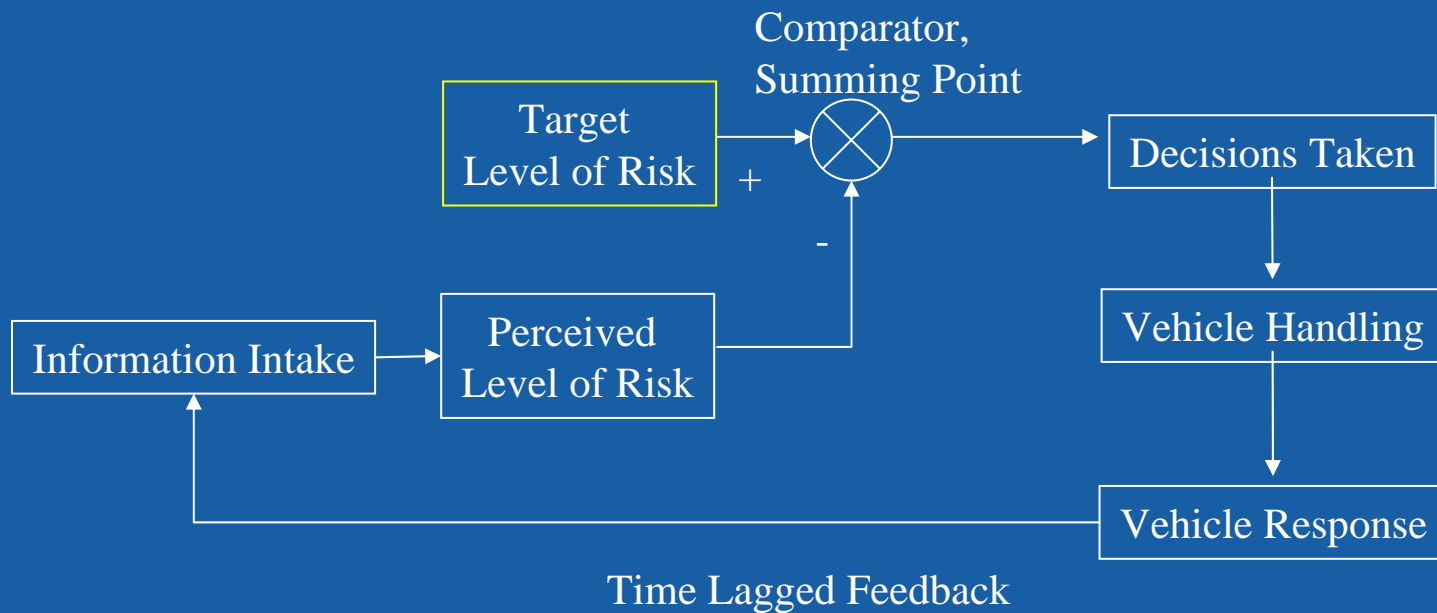
Topics

■ Cognitive Driver Model

- Concept: risk homeostasis hypothesis
- Our proposed model: maximum acceptable risk model
 - based on Target Risk Model
 - Risk Homeostasis \Rightarrow ?: never concluded
 - \Rightarrow Risk Compensation would be preferable

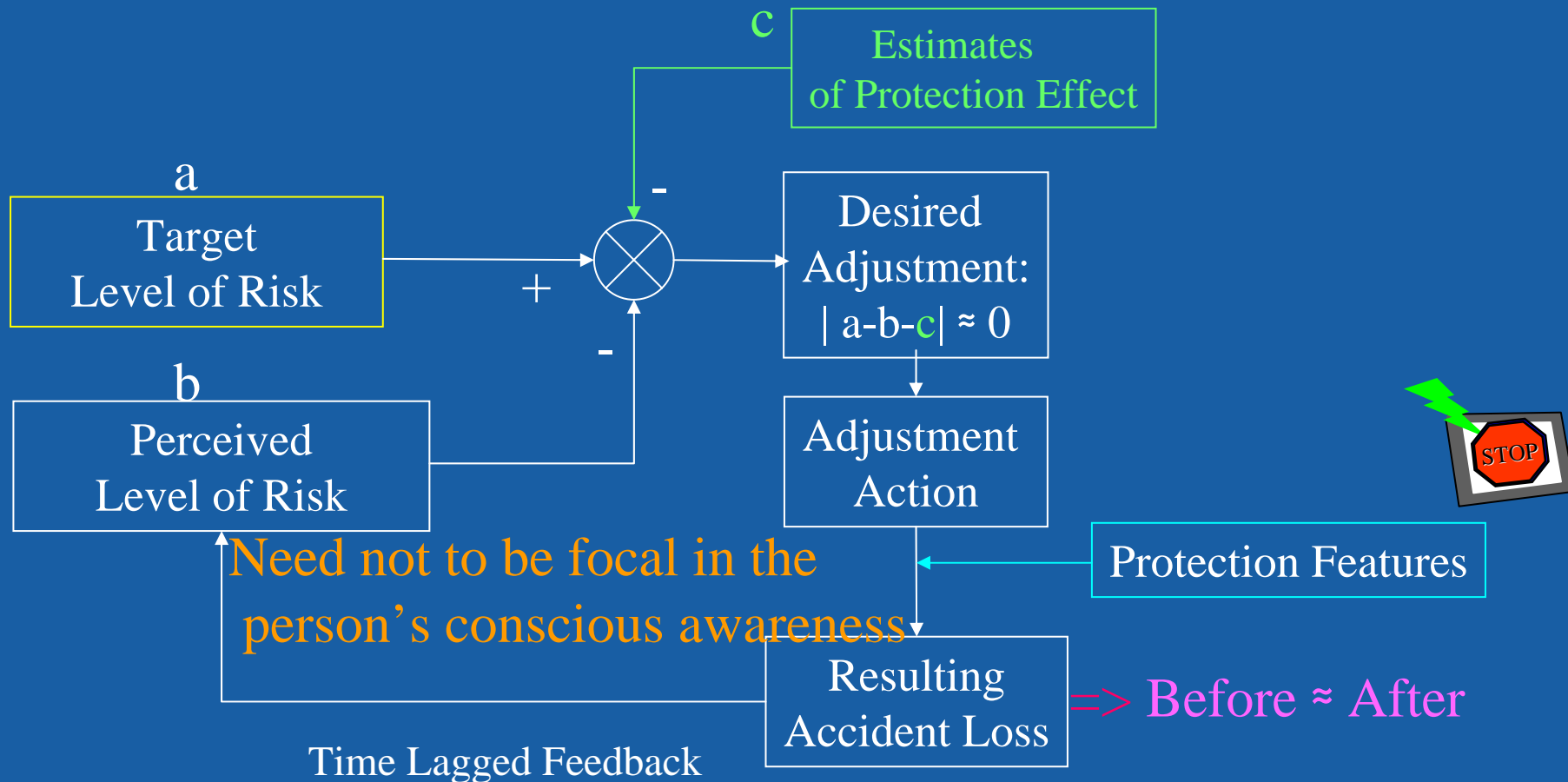
Target Risk Model

- Target Risk Model shows the mechanism of *Risk Compensation*



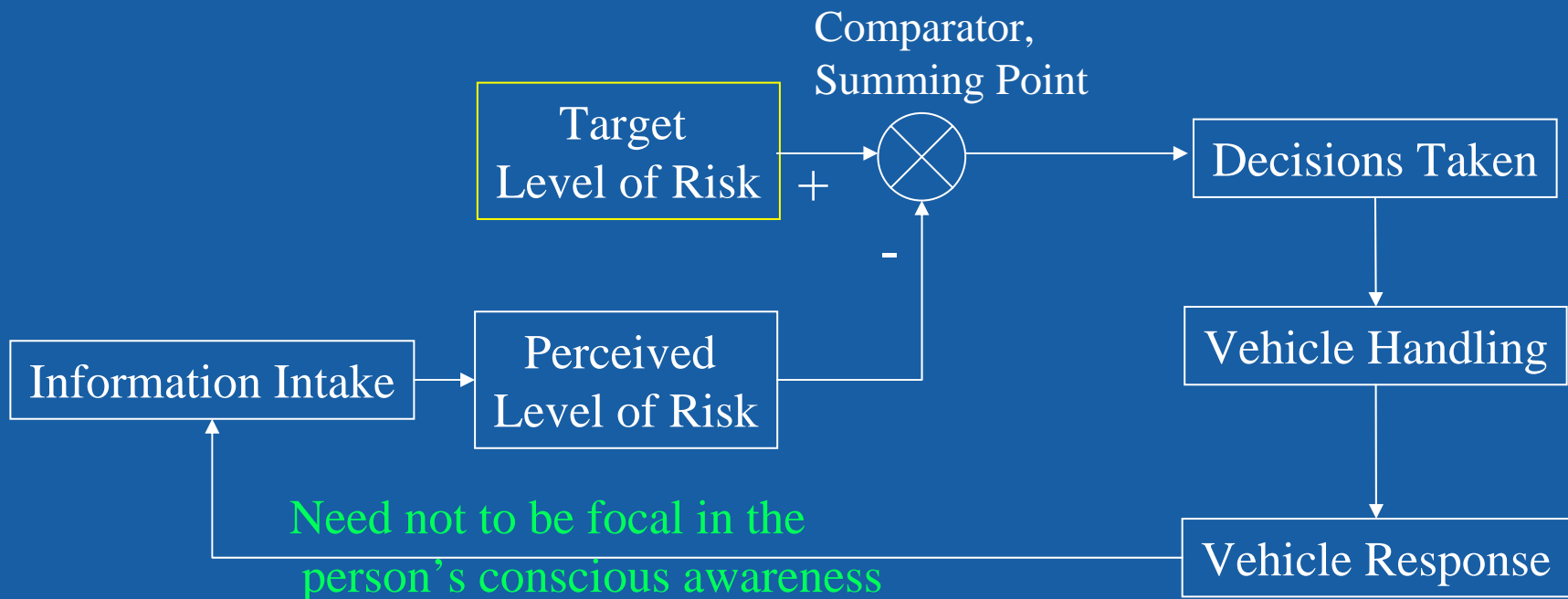
Risk Homeostasis: unconsciousness

- An accident rate fluctuates around a stable mean



Consciousness

- Target Risk Model shows the mechanism of Risk Compensation



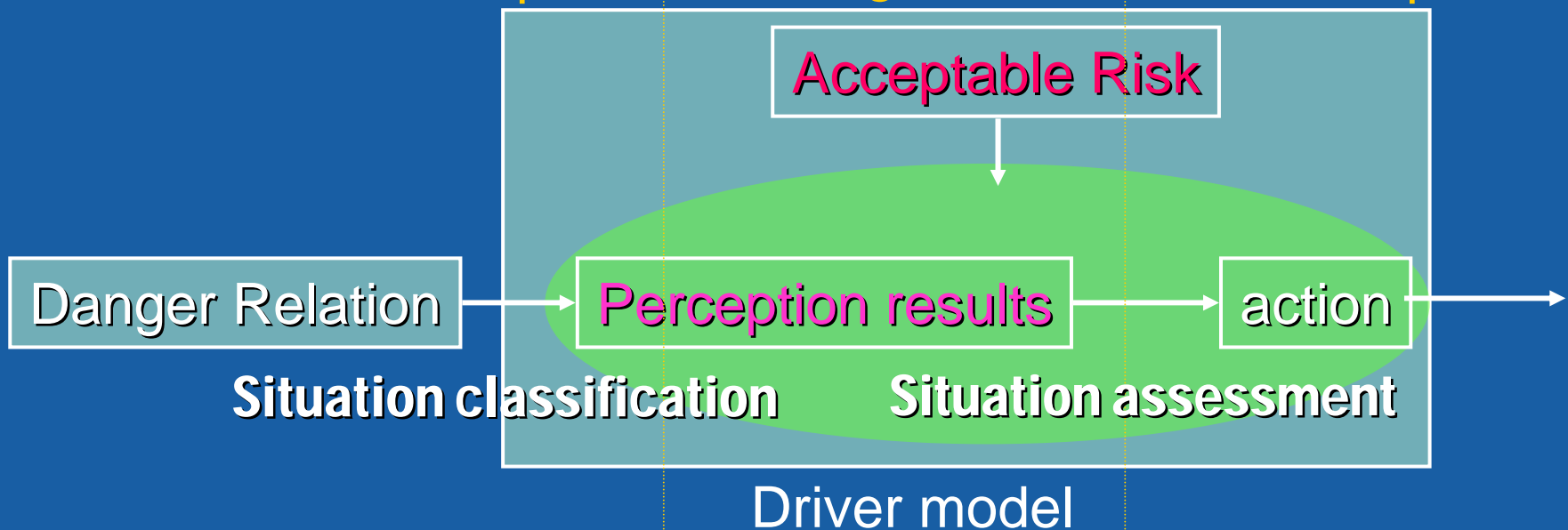
Need not to be focal? Time Lagged Feedback

Perception Based Driver Model

■ Perception result & acceptable risk

- **Perception results:** Qualitative classificatory criteria
- **Acceptable risk:** Quantitative assessment criterion

Perception Judgment Action (operation)



Perception Result (Perception Representation)

Three perception results

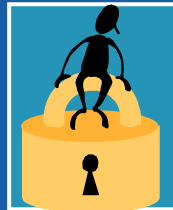
● **Yes (y):** I'm in danger

- Ex. traffic signal is **red**



● **No (n):** I'm not in danger

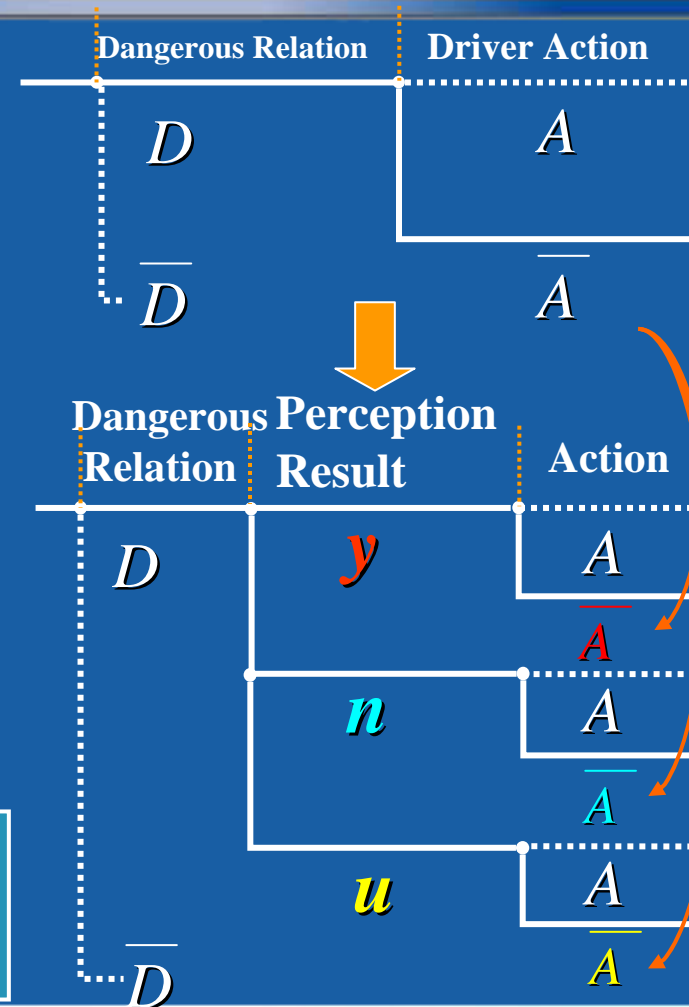
- Ex. traffic signal is **blue**



● **Unknown (u):**

I can't decide between **Yes** & **No**

- Ex. traffic signal is **yellow**

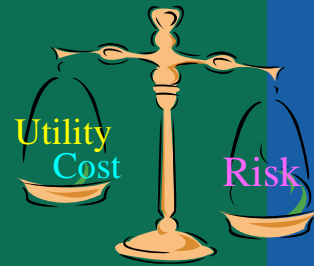


Acceptable Risk

■ Subjective driver action

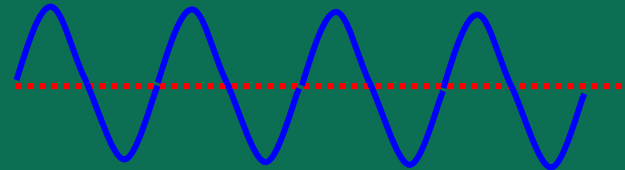
- accident occurrence \leq Acceptable Risk level
- utility maximization & cost minimization

➔ accident occurrence = maximum of Acceptable Risk



■ Objective driver action

- accident probability = constant



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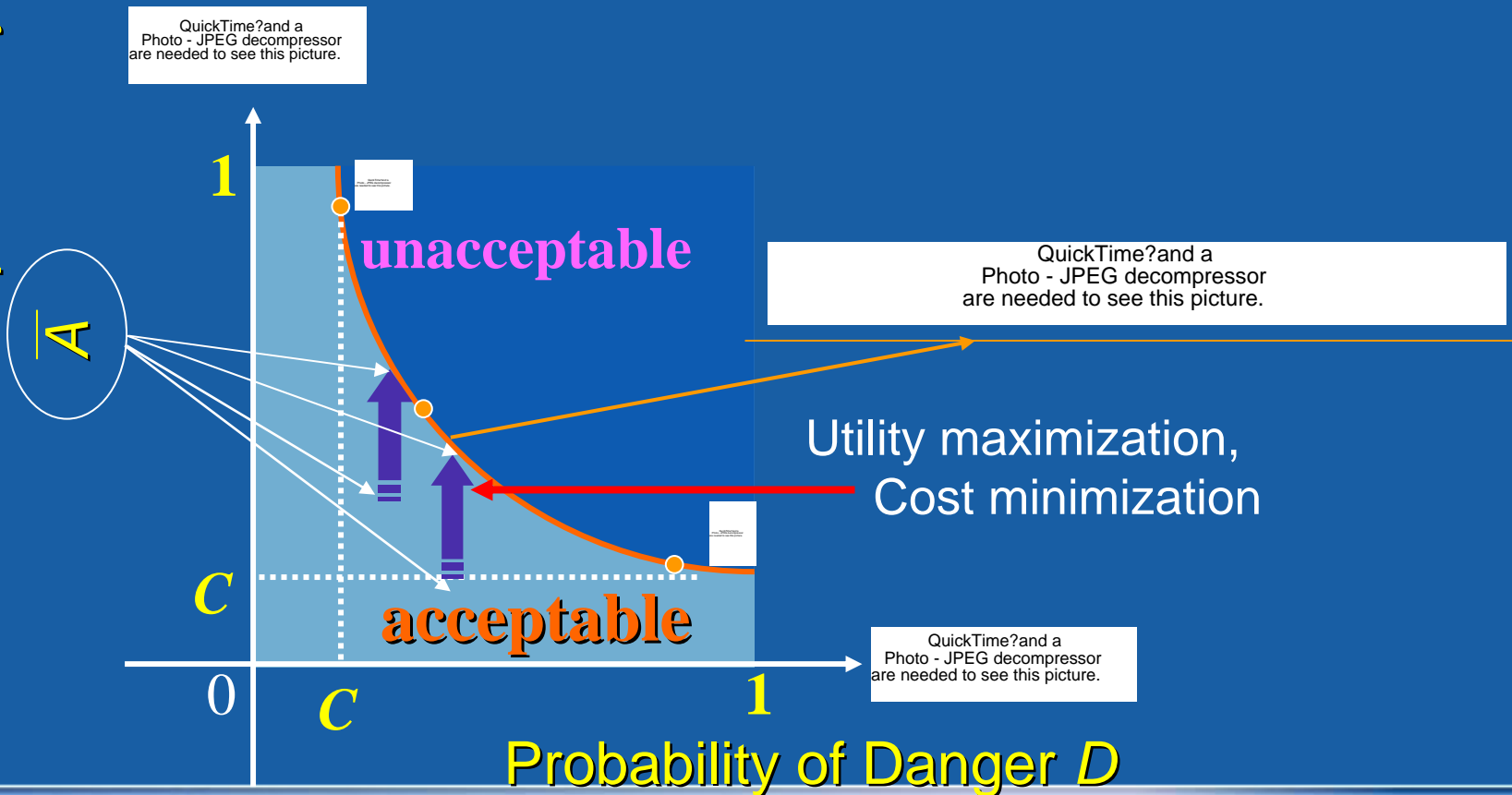
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Maximum Acceptable Risk Model

■ Accident probability :

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Non-avoidance probability

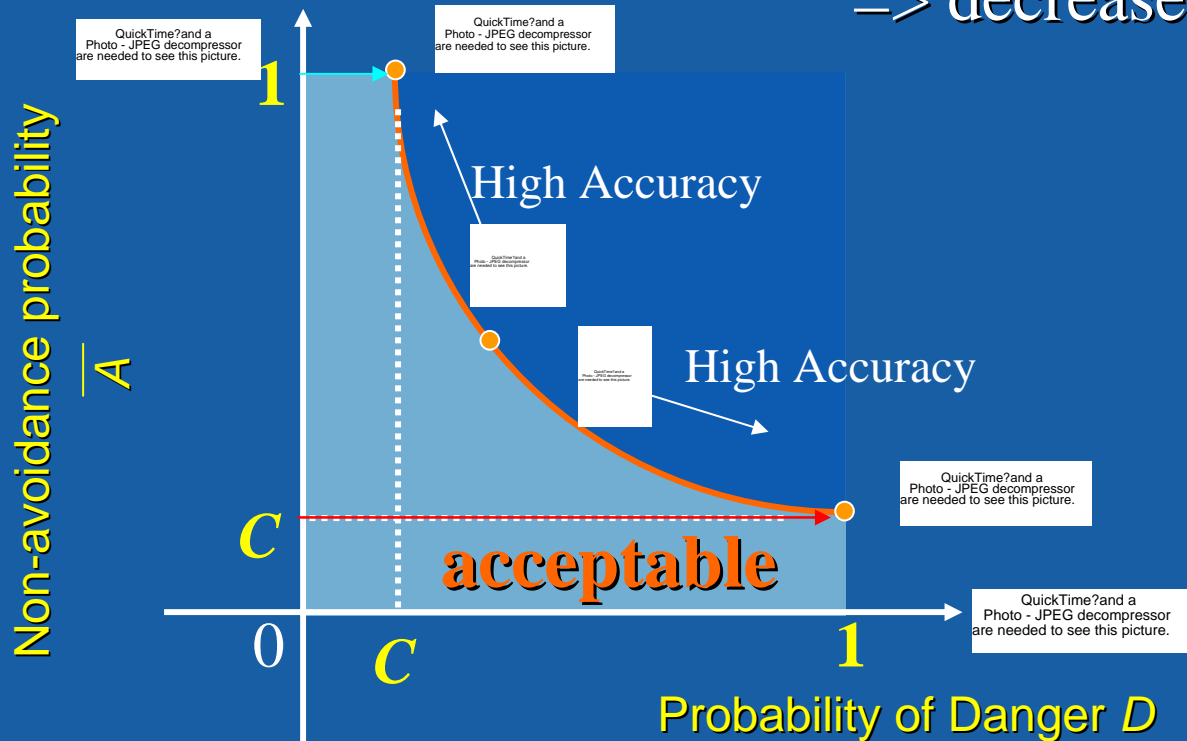


Perception & Action

■ Performance of perception

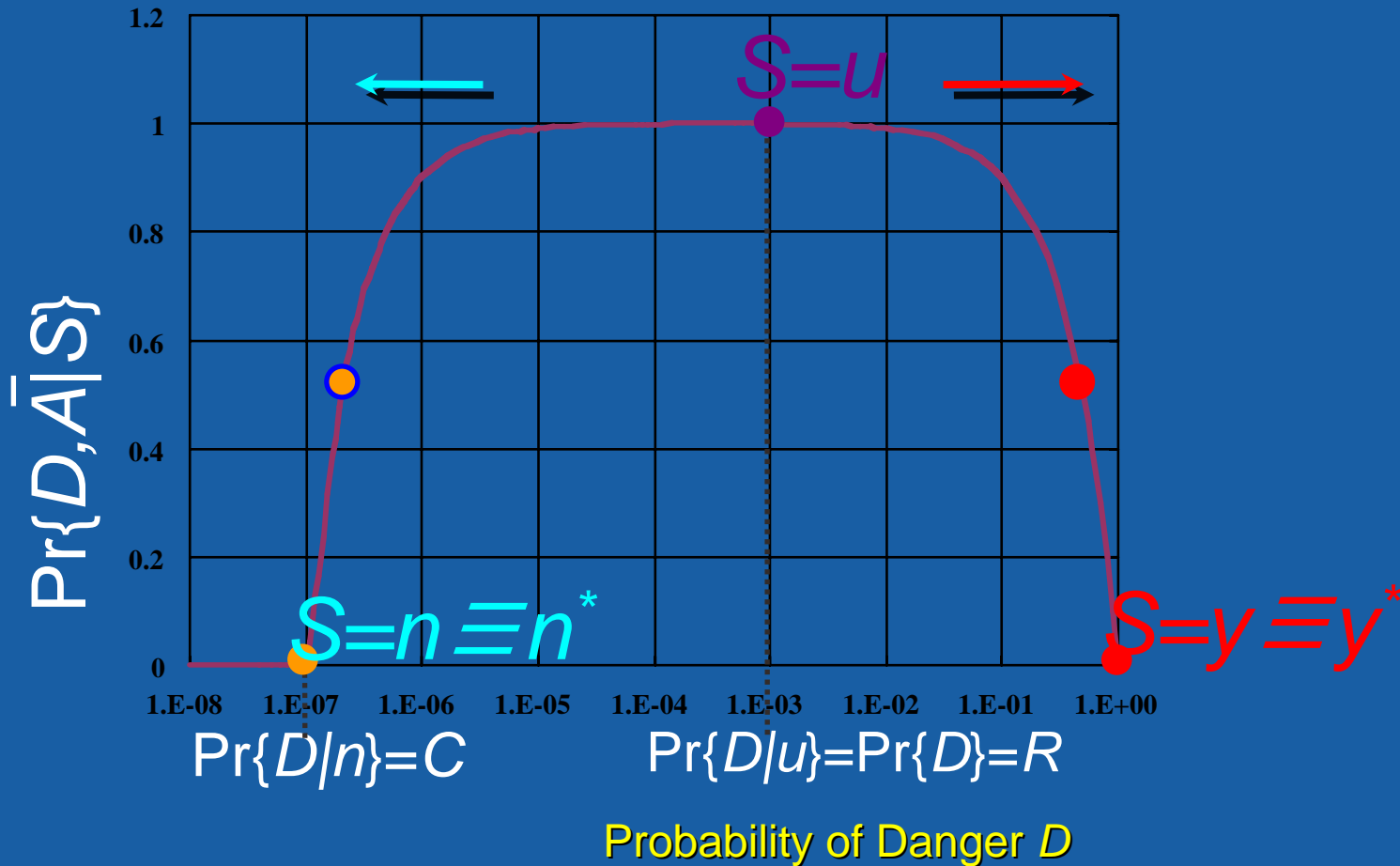
- Accurate perception cuts of *unnecessary* avoidance

⇒ decrease travel time



Unnecessary avoidance

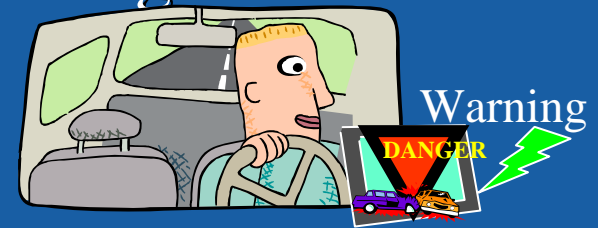
Unnecessary avoidance action



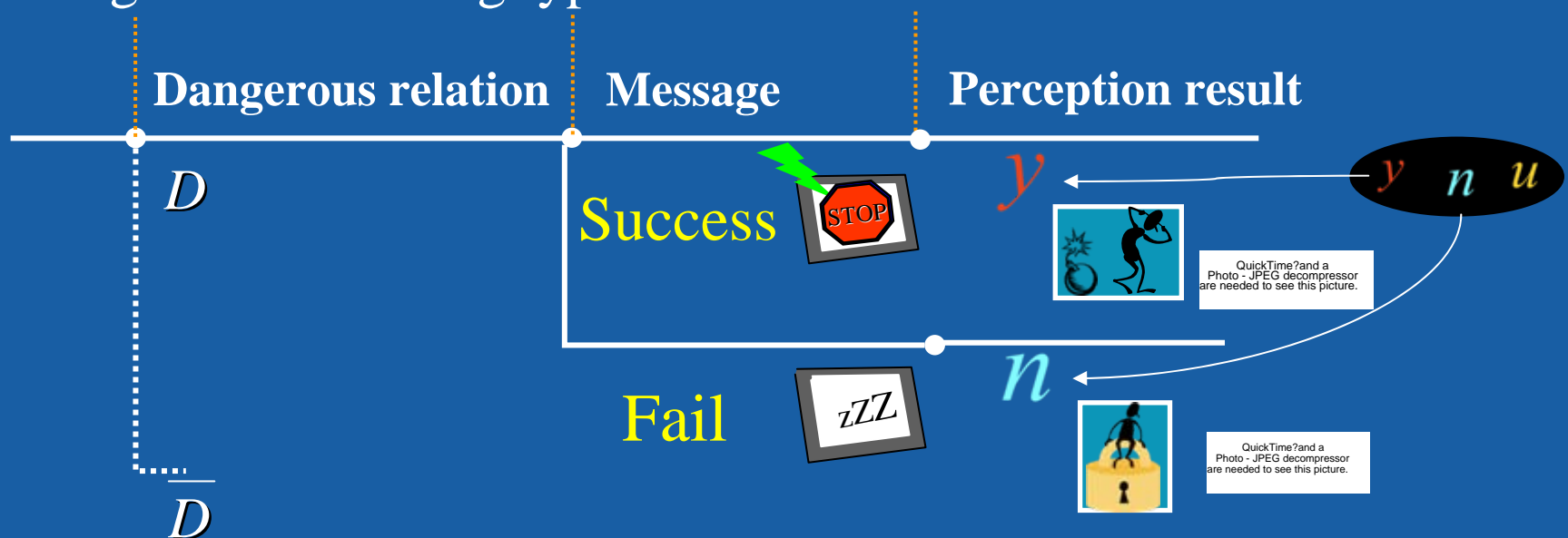
Driver Dependence on System

■ Drivers depend completely on the message

● Shift attention from D to message

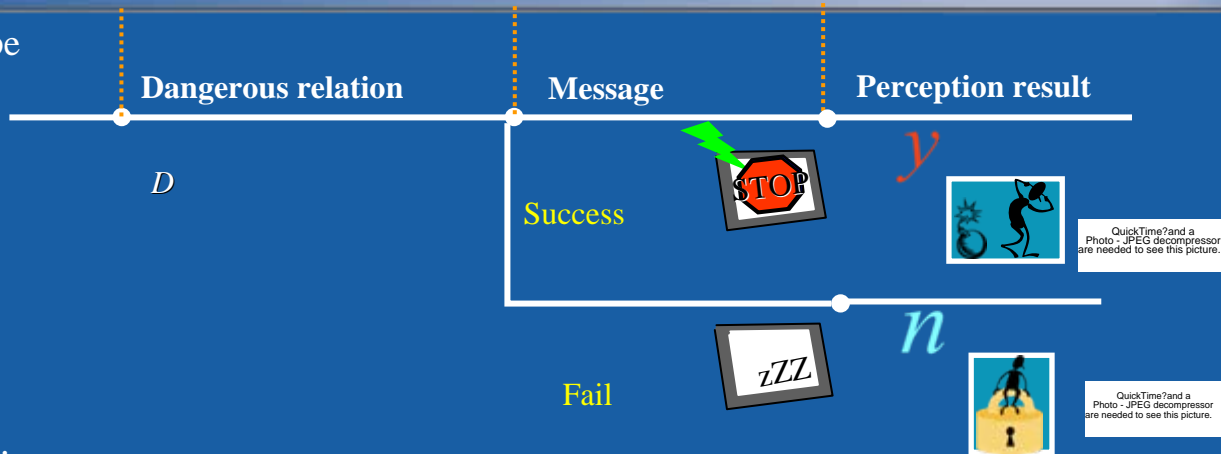


e.g. Fault warning type

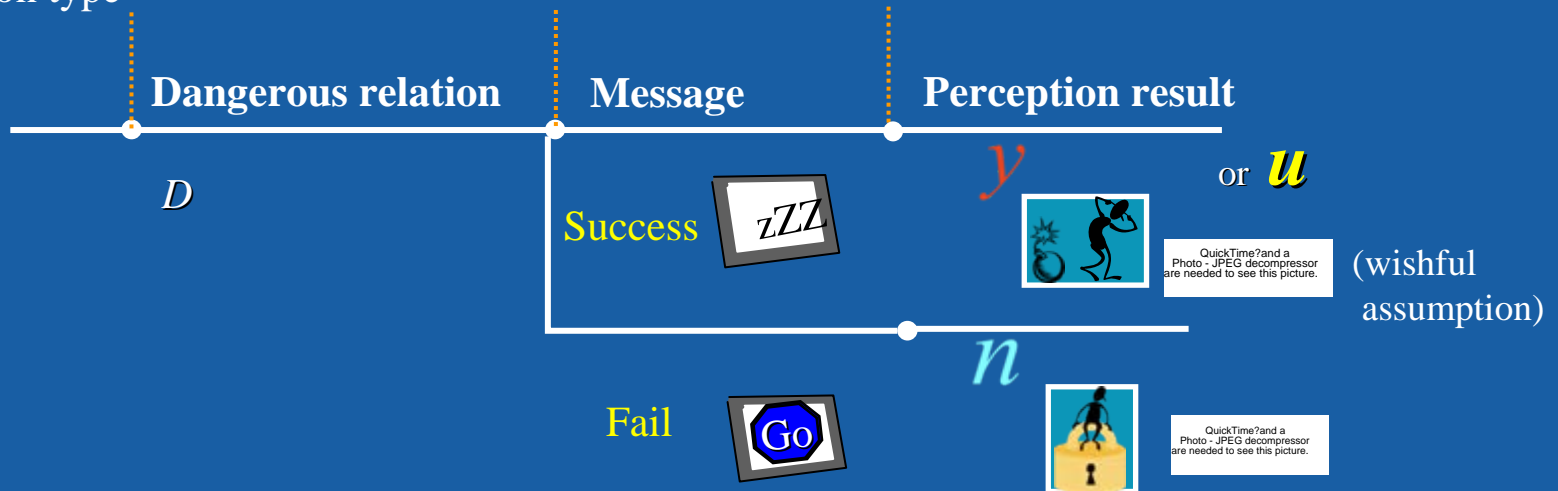


Driver Dependence on System

Fault warning type



Safety presentation type

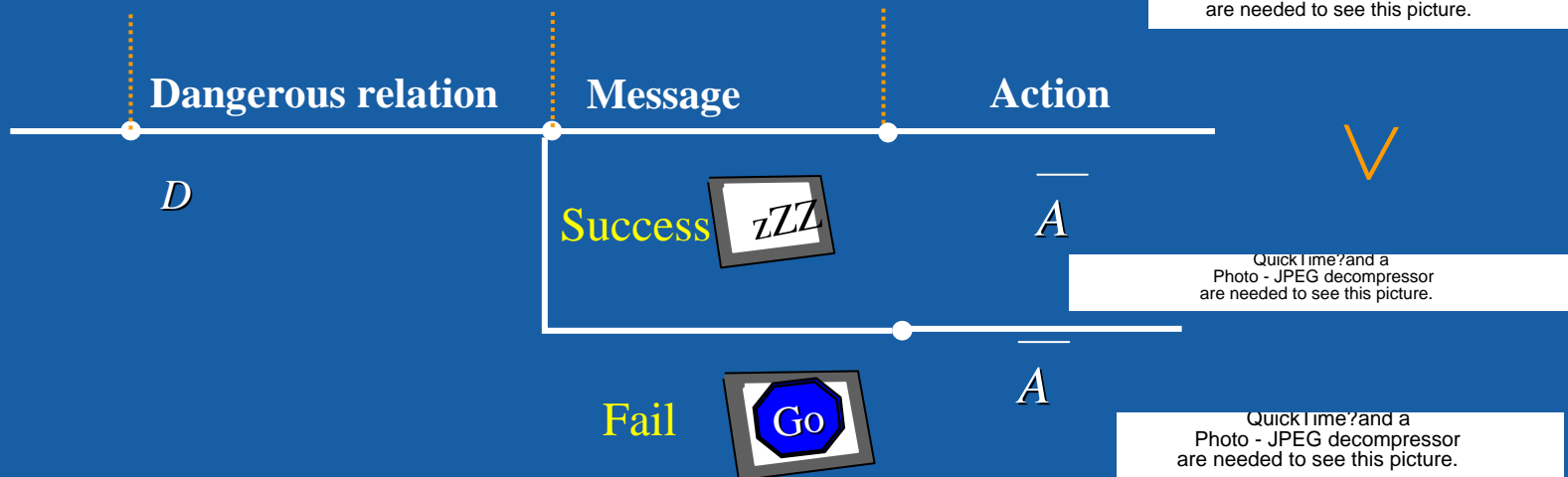


Accident Probability

Fault warning type



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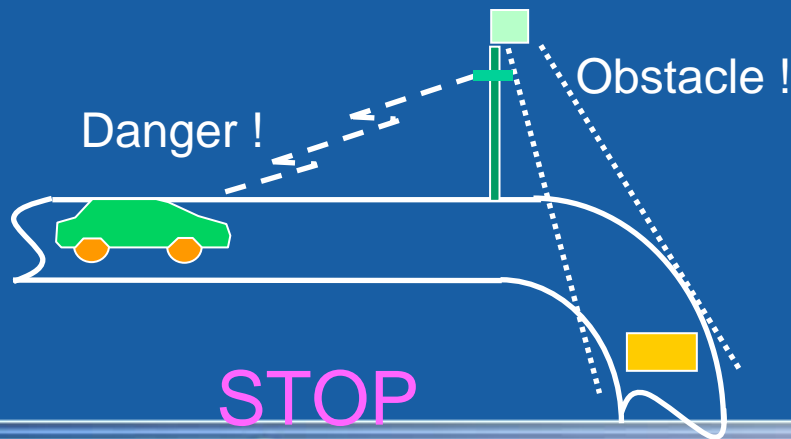
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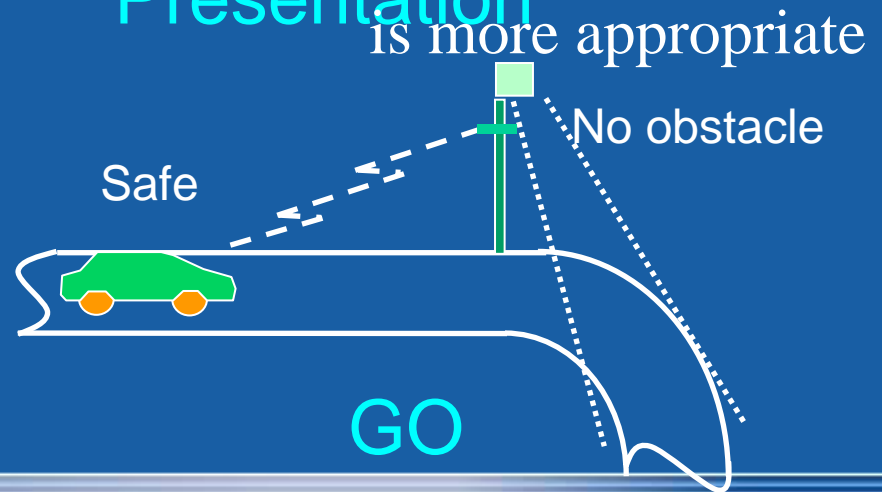
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=> Accident Probability

Fault Warning



Safety Presentation





Thank you for your attention

■ Contact address.

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Result of Safety Assessment

■ Devices may fail to alarm

● Current alarm reliability is enough ?

- Available reliability : 90% – 95%

=> Not sufficient, but can reduce accident

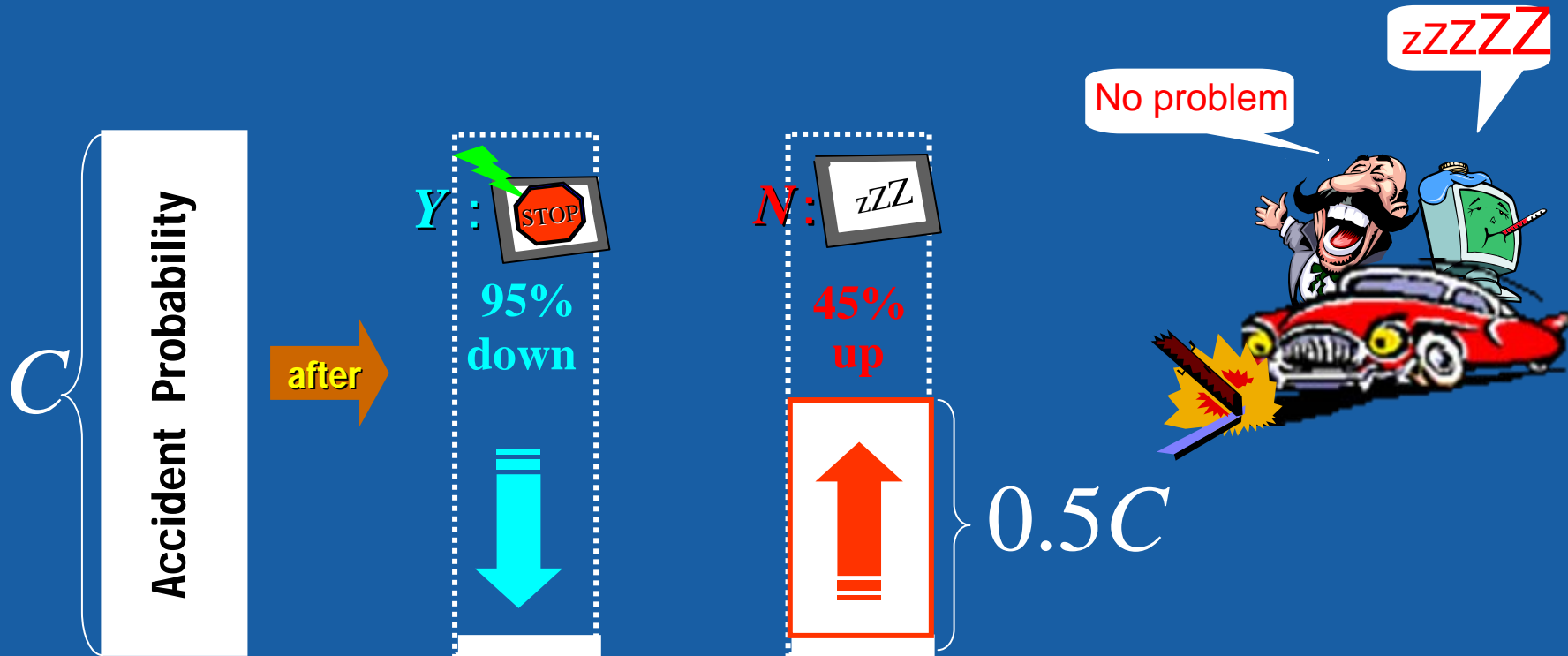
■ How many accidents may be cut down?

=> Depend on drivers' reliability

=> Up to drivers dependency on safety device
(50% cut off is possible)

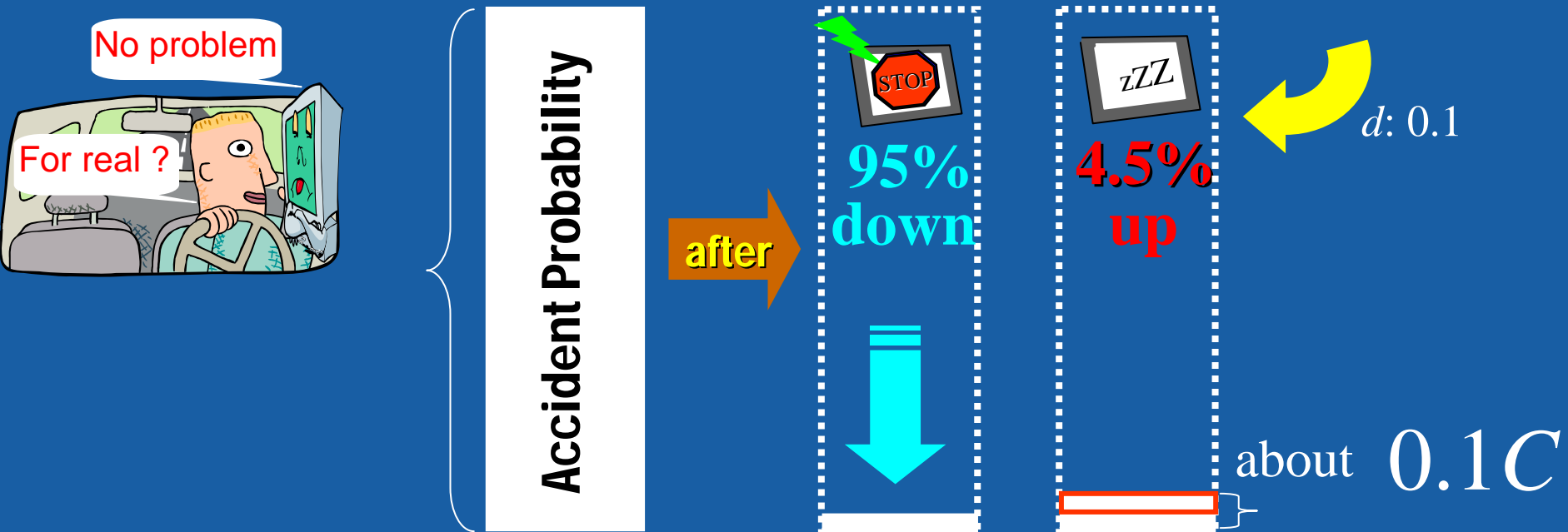
Implementation Effect (Case 1)

- All drivers depend on safety device
- Alarm reliability r : 95% , Driver reliability $1 - P$: 90%



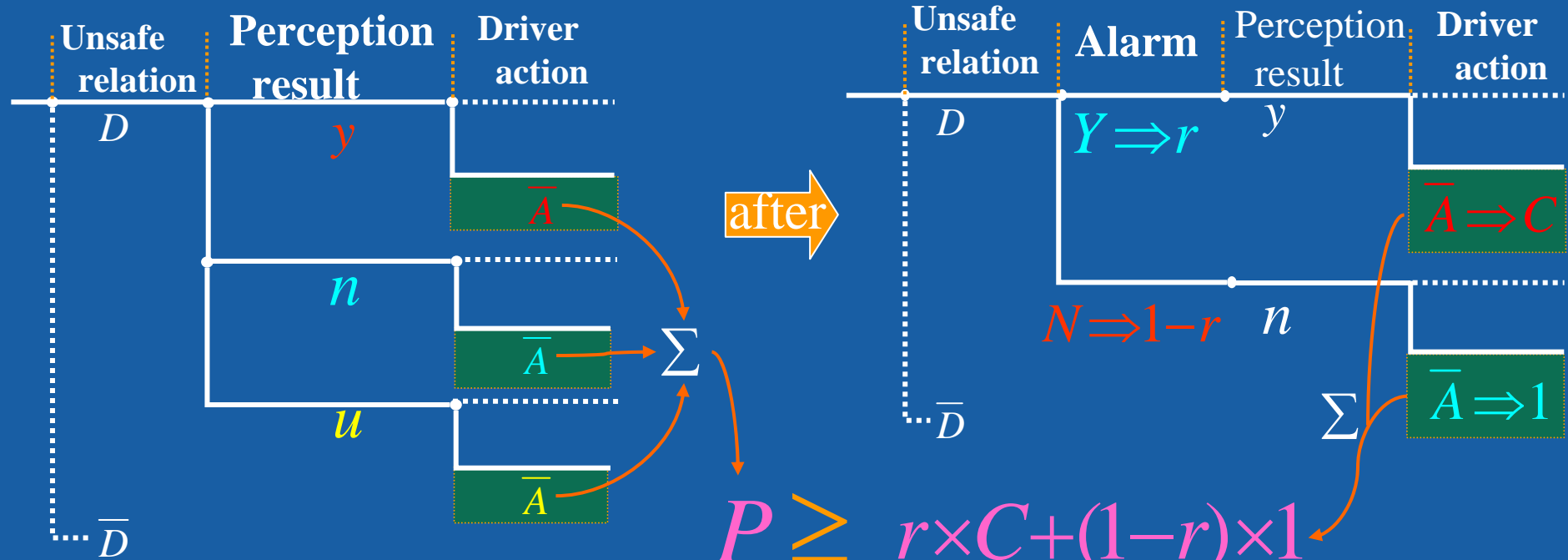
Implementation Effect (Case 2)

- Some drivers depend on
 - Alarm reliability r : 95%, Driver reliability $1 - P$: 90%
 - Dependence ratio d : 10^{-1}
- Dependence of all drivers : 45%**



Required Reliability

■ Alarm reliability: r



$$P \geq r \times C + (1-r) \times 1$$

$$r \geq \frac{1-P}{1-C} \cong \underline{1-P} \text{ Driver reliability}$$

Conclusions

- Perception based driver model
- Required reliability for the alarm
- Implementation effect of the safety devices
- Importance of HI