



Challenge Problems in Cyber Physical Systems and Industrial IoT

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What would you like for your Birthday?



A Tesla with Autopilot?

PREFECT

Tesla Autopilot Crash 1 video



DR650GW-2CH/FHD-HD

Tesla Autopilot Crash 2 video



24 year old dies on the spot

法治封面 “自动驾驶”：安全，不安全！？

法治在线 追尾后身亡 家属状告经销商

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A Driver's License Test for Autonomous Vehicles

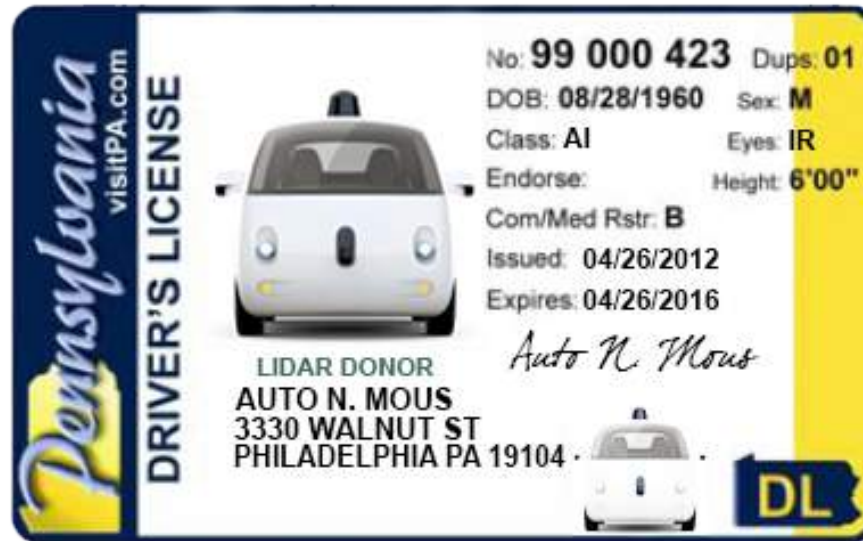


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What this talk is about?

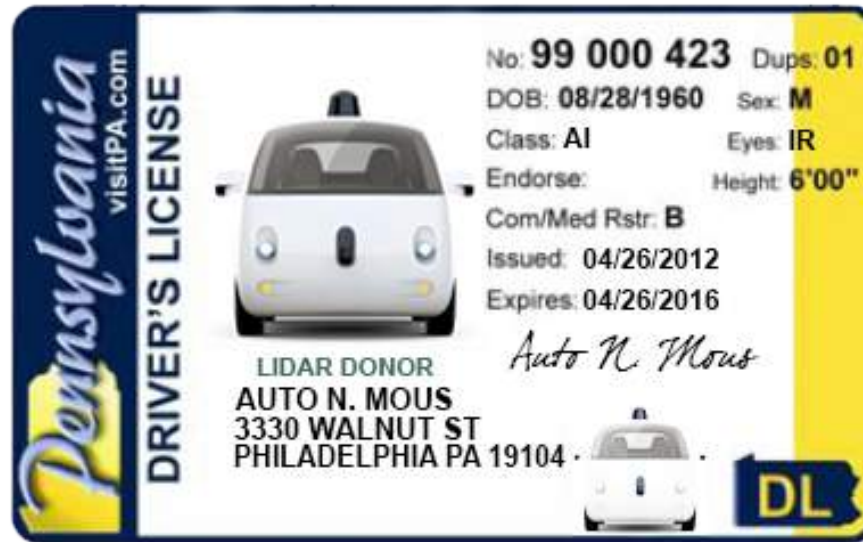
1. Defining Safe Autonomous Systems
2. The Insurance Problem
3. The Guardian Angel Problem
4. Connected Autonomous Vehicles

Defining Safety: A Driver's License Test for Autonomous Vehicles



- Under what *criteria* can we determine that an *autonomous vehicle* is *safe*?
- How can we **verify** its actions *beyond simple tests*?

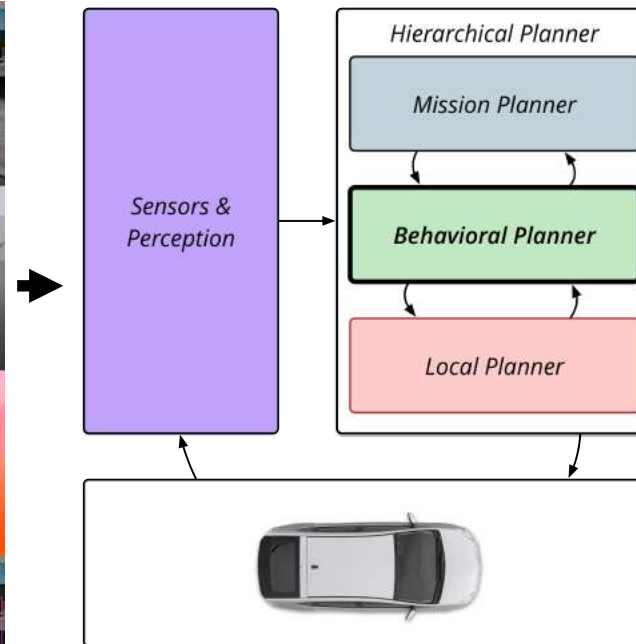
Defining Safety: A Driver's License for Autonomous Vehicles



- So what would the Autonomous Driver's license consist of?
 - *Automatically verified models of control and decision algorithms*
 - *For representative scenarios*
 - *With quantitative statistics regarding the state of the ego and environment*
 - *On a variety of roads*

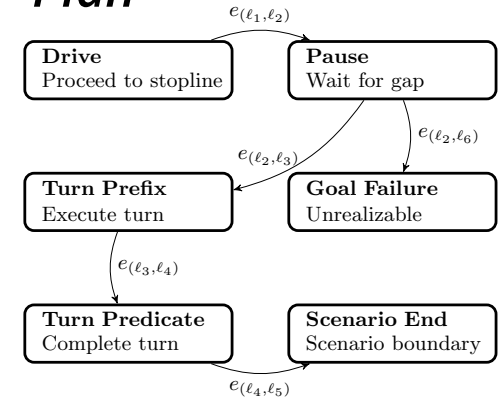
AV Perception, Planning, Control pipeline

Sense

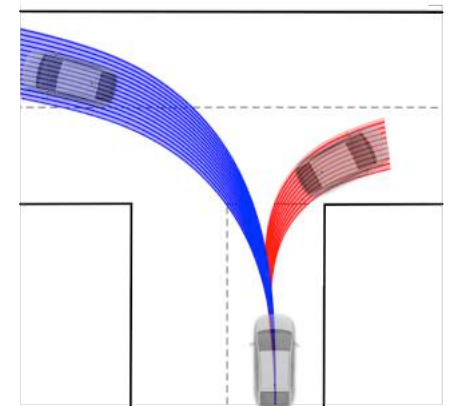


Everything combined:
a function that *generates* a
sequence of *steering* and
acceleration inputs...

Plan

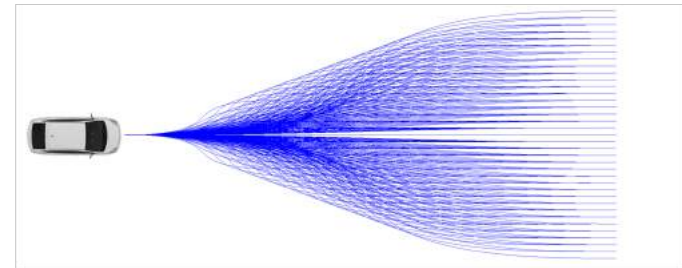
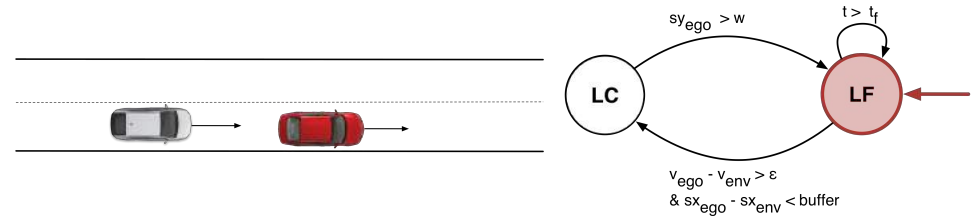
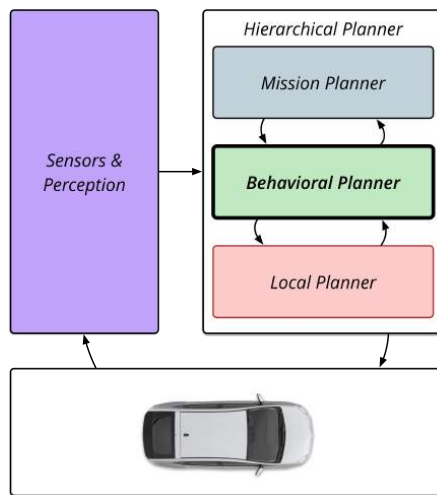


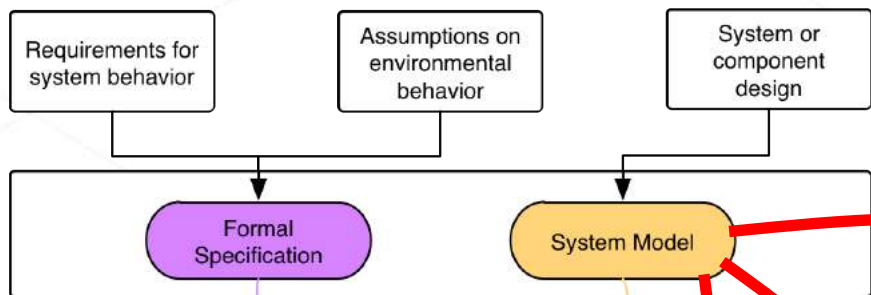
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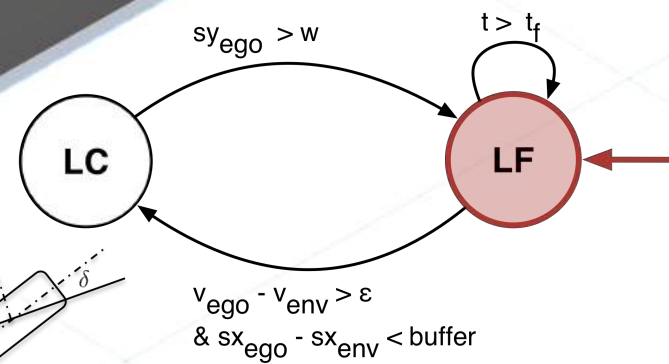
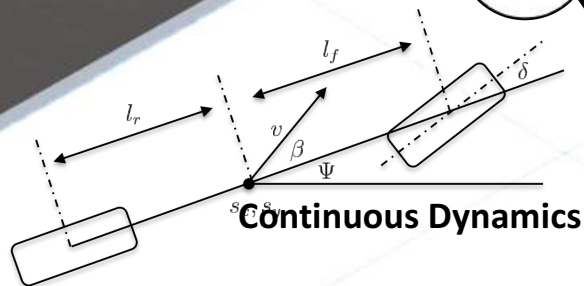
Defining Safety: A Driver's License for Autonomous Vehicles

- Why its hard...
 - Automatically verified models of control and decision algorithms: *non-linear vehicle dynamics and mode switching lead to intractable or undecidable decision problems.*





1. Ego vehicle obeys the speed limit.
Always $[t, t_f] v \leq \text{speed limit}$
2. Ego vehicle does not crash
Always $[t, t_f] \text{distance} \geq \text{buffer}$
3. Ego Vehicle completes lane change
Always $[t, t_f] LC \rightarrow$
Eventually $[t, t_f] \text{lane} == \sim \text{lane}$



Discrete Decision Controller
e.g. Change lanes

Requirement:

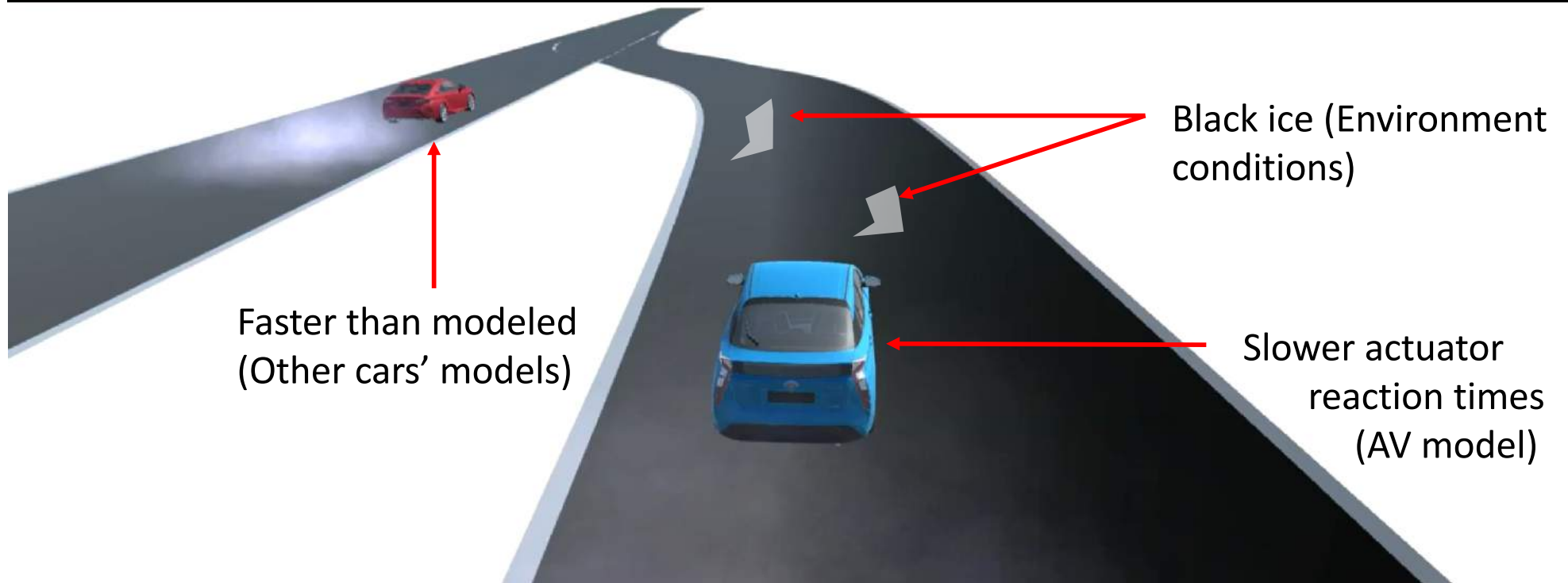
1. If car slips, recover within 3 seconds.
2. Stay within lane markers.
3. Maintain minimum distance to others.

Model is verified to satisfy this Requirement



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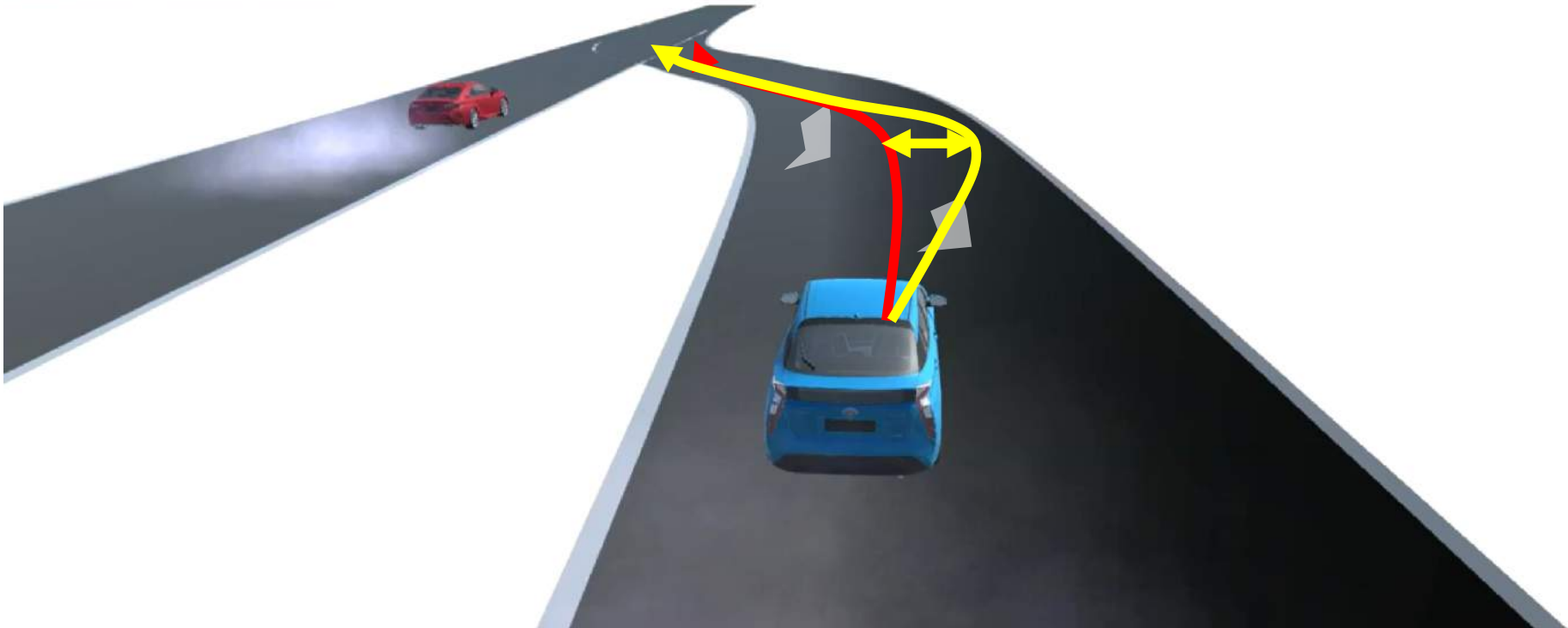
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Does the system have an “error margin” to tolerate unforeseen disturbances and errors?

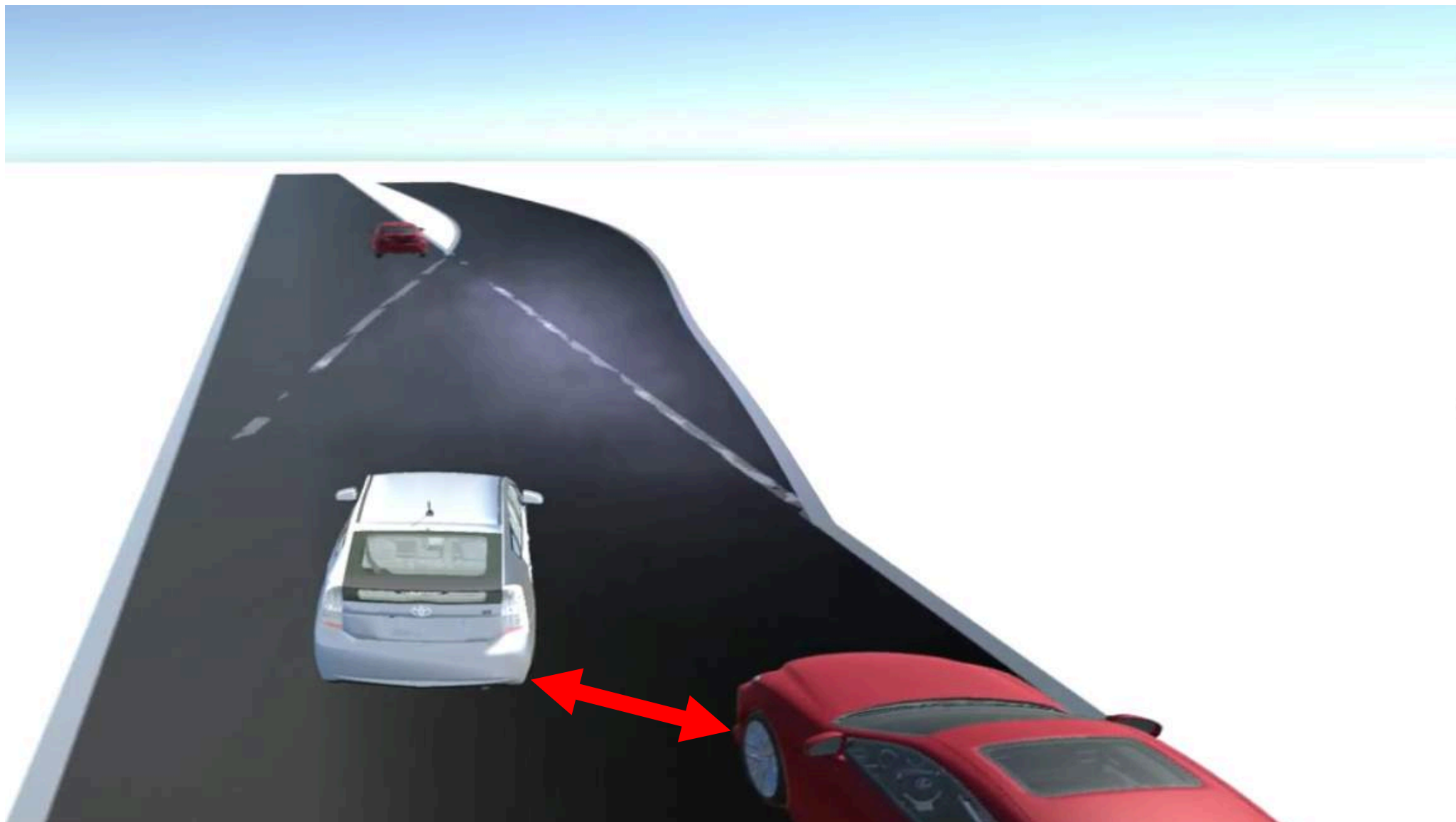


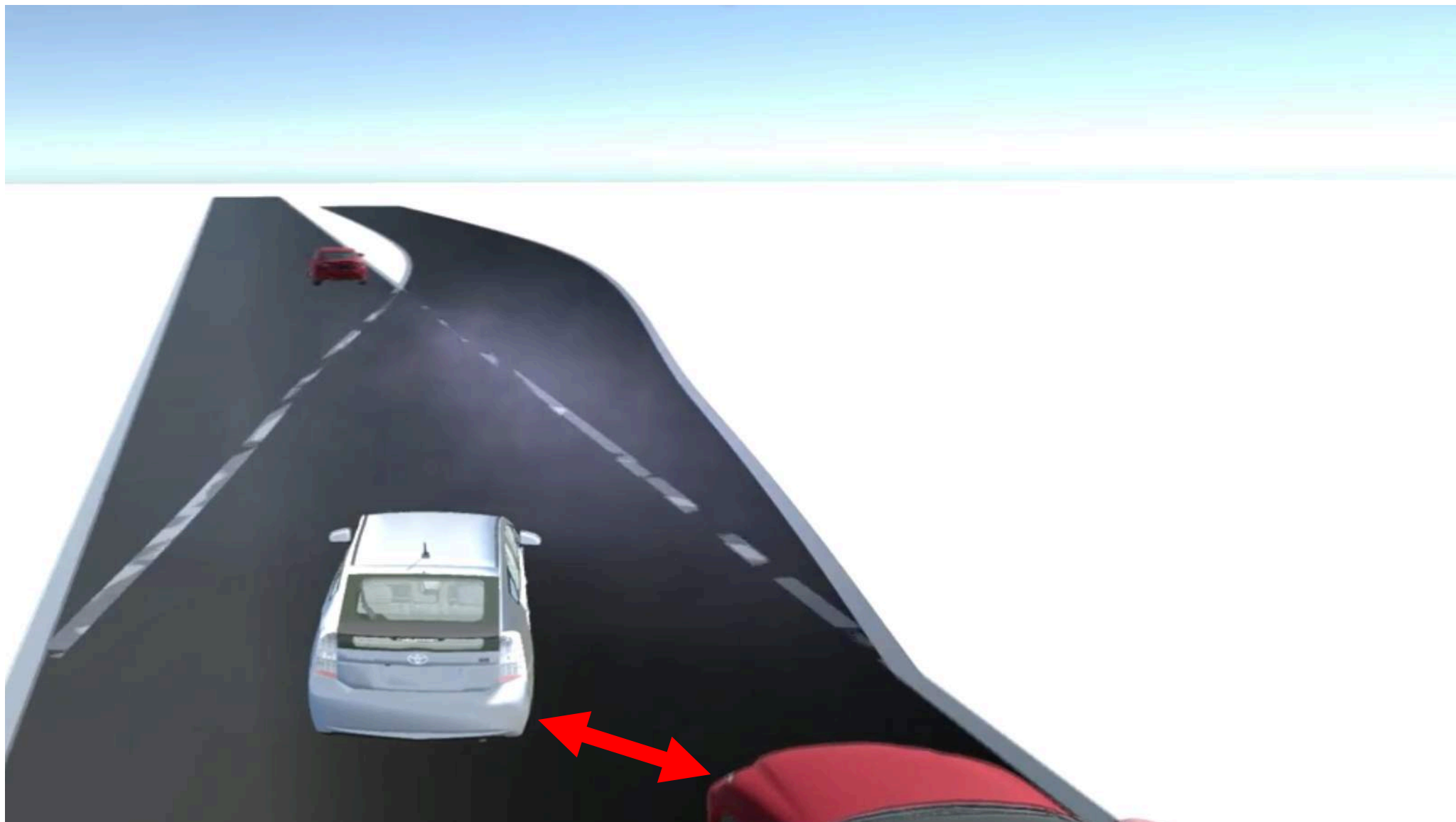
Safe

Unsafe

How can we automatically find diverse unsafe cases?
What about the marginal cases?



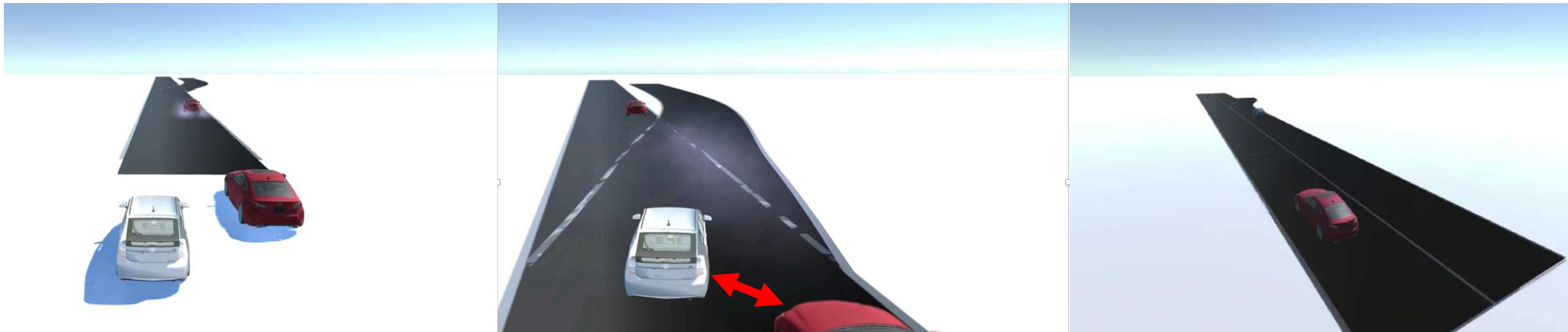




Safe

Unsafe

What about the marginal cases?
We should be interested in the *spectrum* of vehicle safety

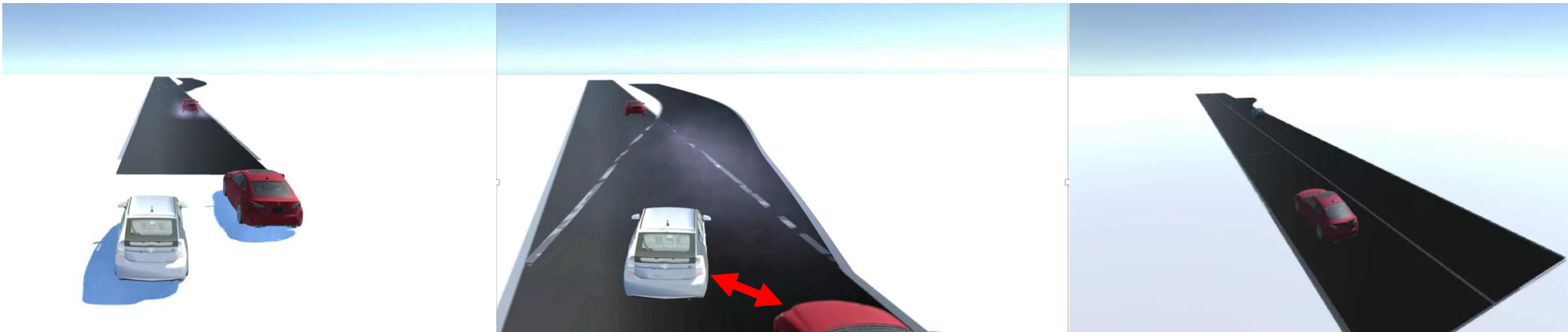


Safe

Unsafe

What about the marginal cases?

We should be interested in a *continuous measure* of vehicle safety



Defining Safety: *A continuous measure of vehicle safety*

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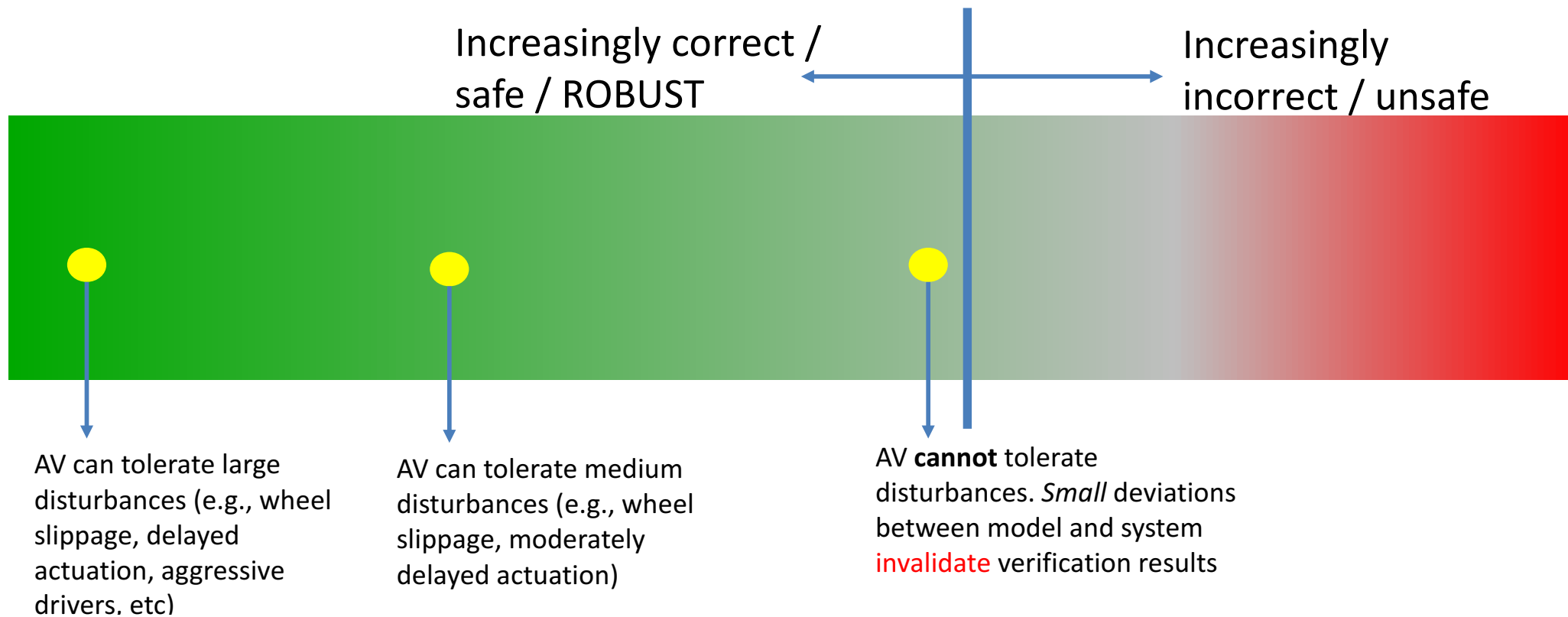
*Does the Autonomous Vehicle **satisfy** the design requirements?*

To:

*How **robustly** (how well) does it satisfy the requirements?*

Safety (and more general correctness) as a continuous measure

Robustness



Robustness Guided Verification

Use ***robust simulations*** to guide and accelerate almost-exhaustive verification, so it can tackle these hard problems in autonomy



A primer on the robustness of
Metric Temporal Logic formulas
and its use in Autonomous
System falsification

Scenario Description Language: Operating Environment

The operating environment, or *road agent*, is defined by:

- *Static parameters* such as **geometry**.
- *External parameters* such as the **time of day** for the scenario.

Variations enter the search as *unknown parameters* **selected from a set**.

For example:

- Choose *road geometry* from a *discrete set of models*, **{Location 1, Location 2}**.
- Choose *time* from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R} , **[0,24]**.



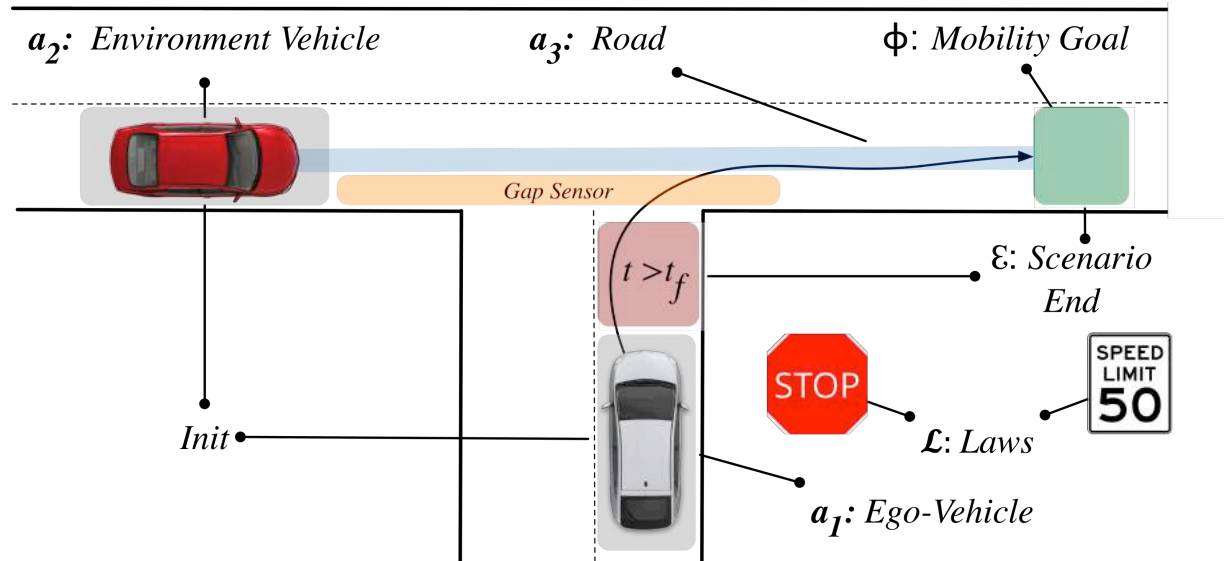
Scenario Description Language: Other Traffic Participants



A traffic participant instance is defined by *static parameters* such as its **location** and **velocity** of other vehicles. Behaviors are influenced by *external parameters* such as the **goal** of traffic agent. **For example:**

- Choose *location* from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R}^2 : x in $[-25, -5]$ and y in $[10, 12]$.
- Choose *velocity* from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R} : v in $[0, 30]$.
- Choose *goal* from a discrete set of actions: $\{\text{Straight}, \text{Left Turn}\}$.

Scenario Description Language: Ego-Vehicle Initialization



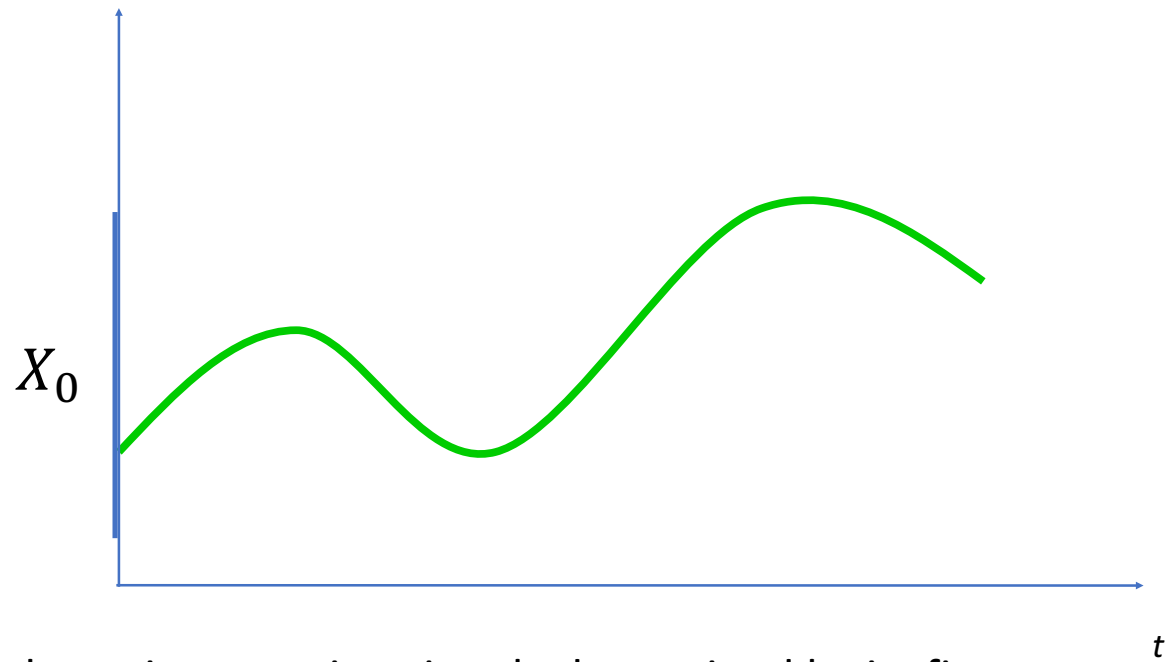
The ego-vehicle instance is defined by *static parameters* such as its **location** and **velocity** and **goal**. Additional parameters exist within its controllers. For example:

- Choose **location** from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R}^2 : x in $[5, 10]$ and y in $[-20, -5]$.
- Choose **velocity** from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R} : v in $[0, 30]$.
- Choose **goal** from a *continuous set* in \mathbb{R}^2 : x in $[20, 40]$ and y in $[0, 5]$.

Ingredient 1: system simulation

A system has a set of initial conditions X_0 .

From every initial state $x(0)$ in X_0 , it produces a state trajectory $x(t)$.



For a deterministic system, the trajectory x is uniquely determined by its first state $x(0)$. That's why robustness of a given formula is a function of the initial state.

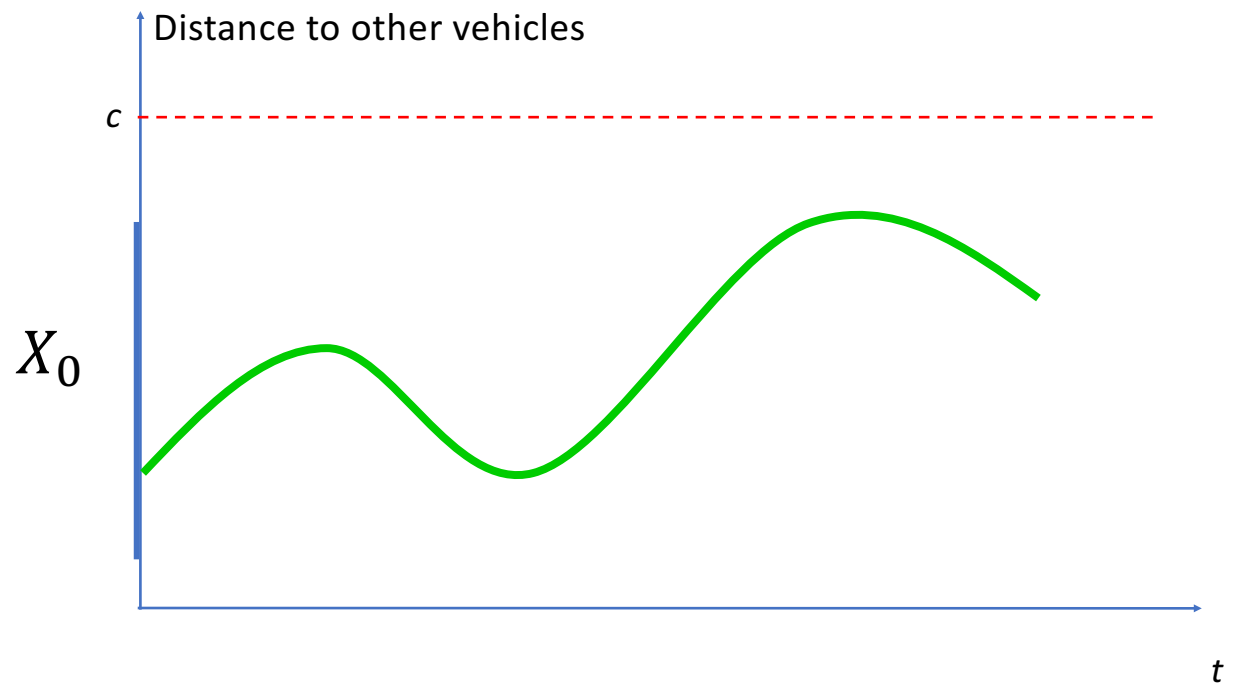
Ingredient 2: a specification

The simplest specification: safety

Green trajectory, obtained by simulation, satisfies the **safety** spec:

Distance to other vehicles must Always be $< c$.

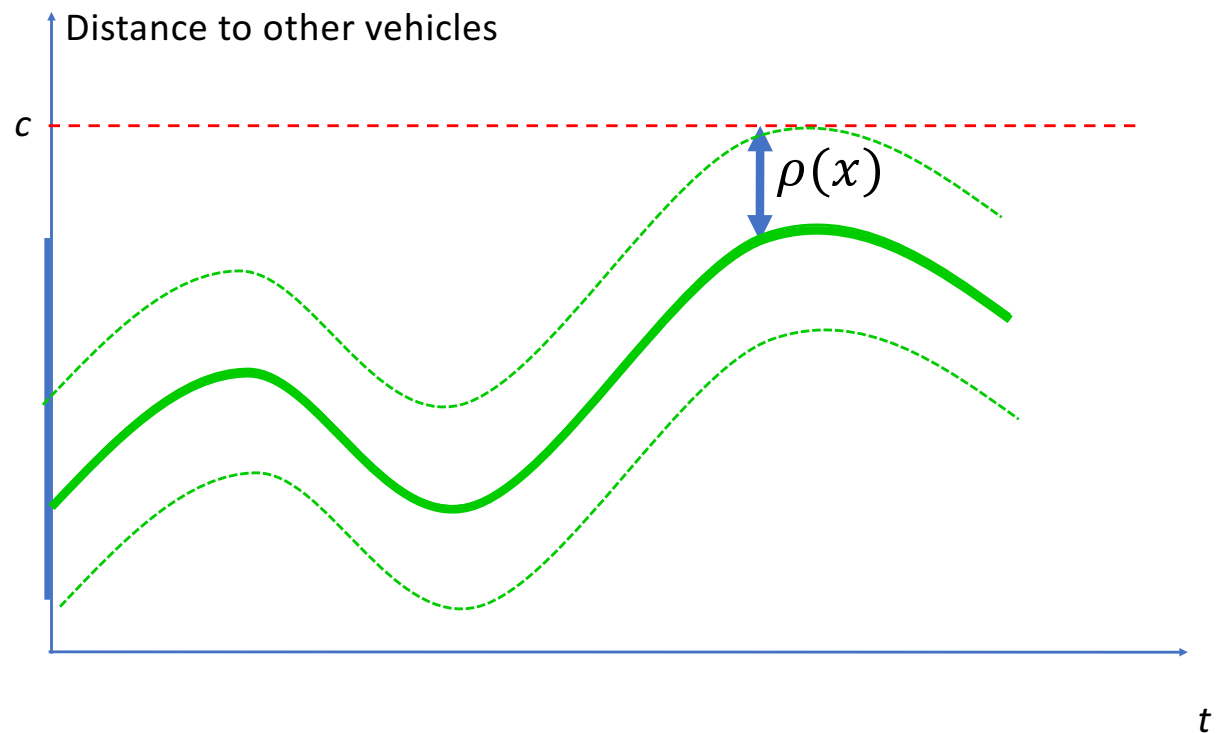
(could also be velocity $<$ threshold, acceleration $<$ threshold, etc)



A Primer on Robust Simulation

The **robustness** of the trajectory x , in this special case, is defined to be the minimum distance between the trajectory and the red lines.

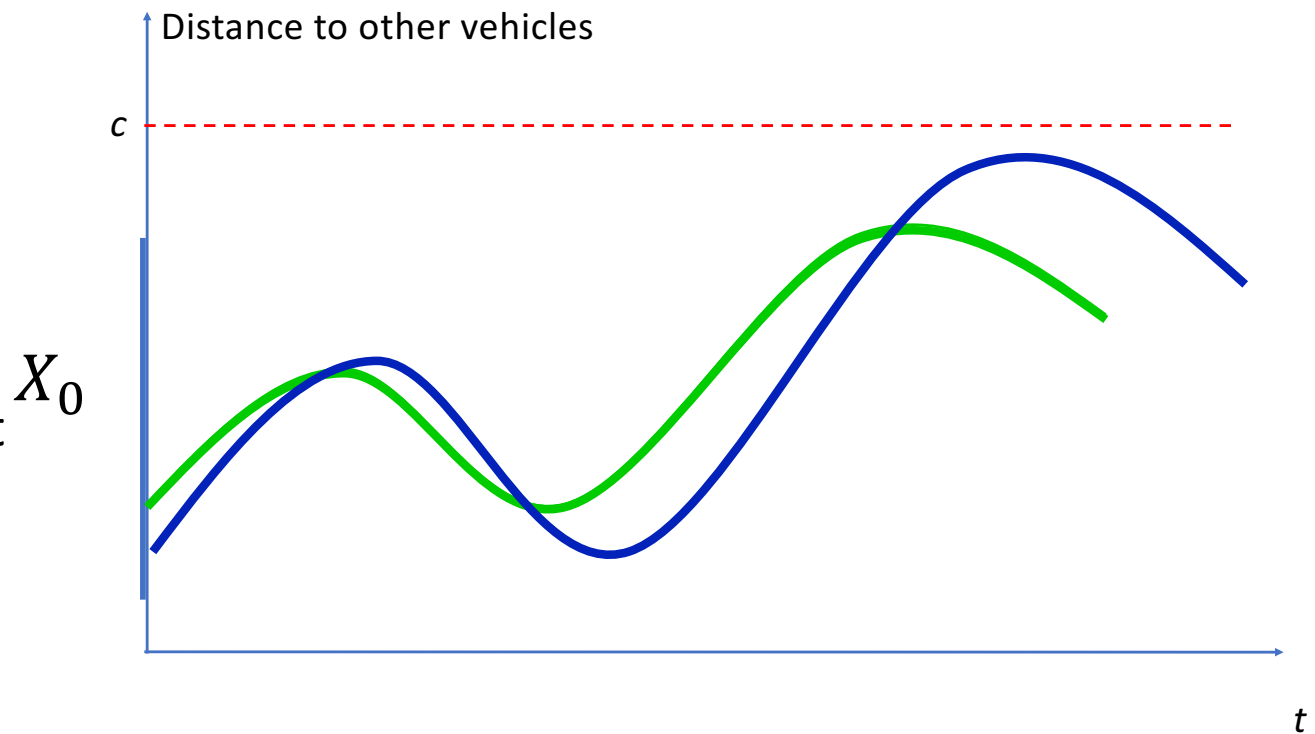
$$\rho(x) := \min_t |x(t) - c|$$



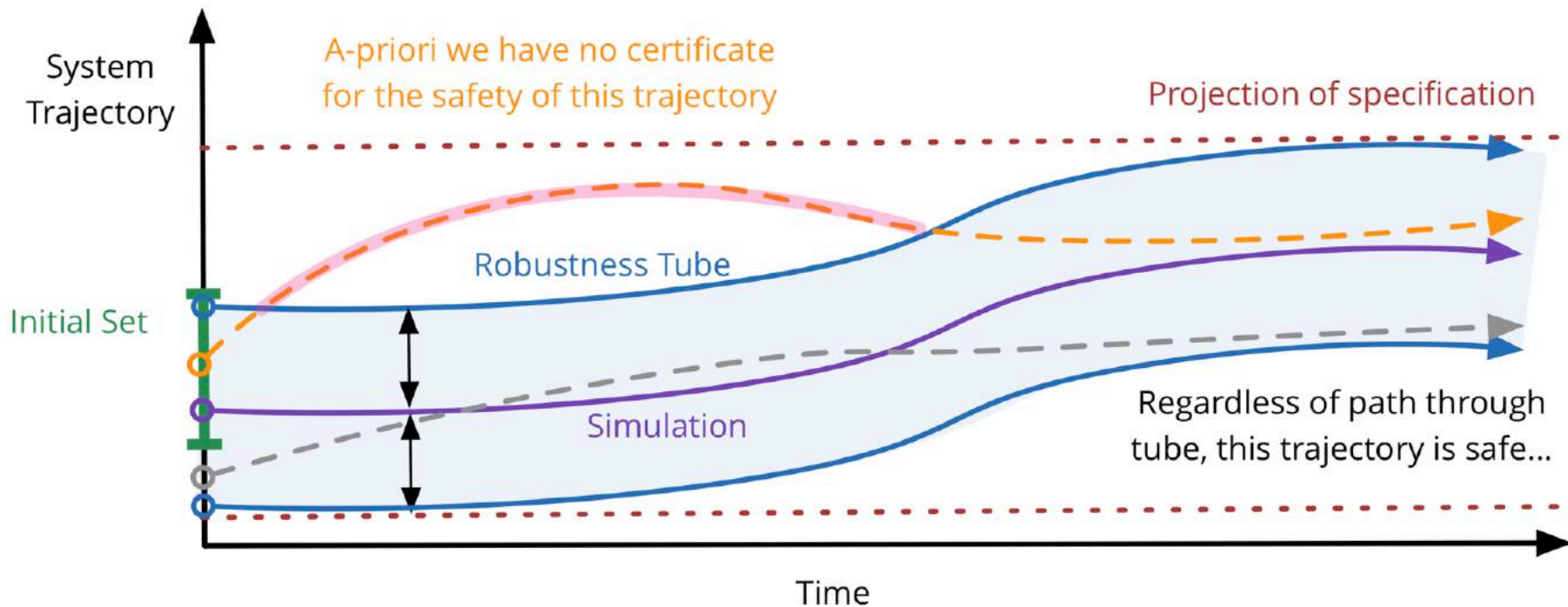
A Primer on Robust Simulation

The blue trajectory still satisfies the spec.

But in a sense, it is less robust than the green trajectory: it gets closer to violating the spec.

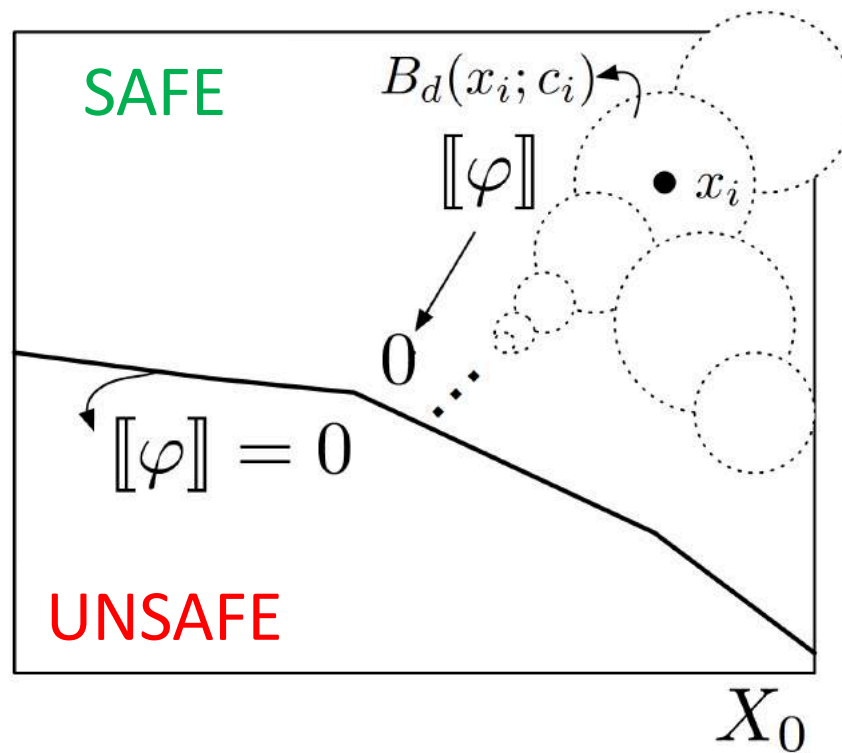


Properties: Robustness

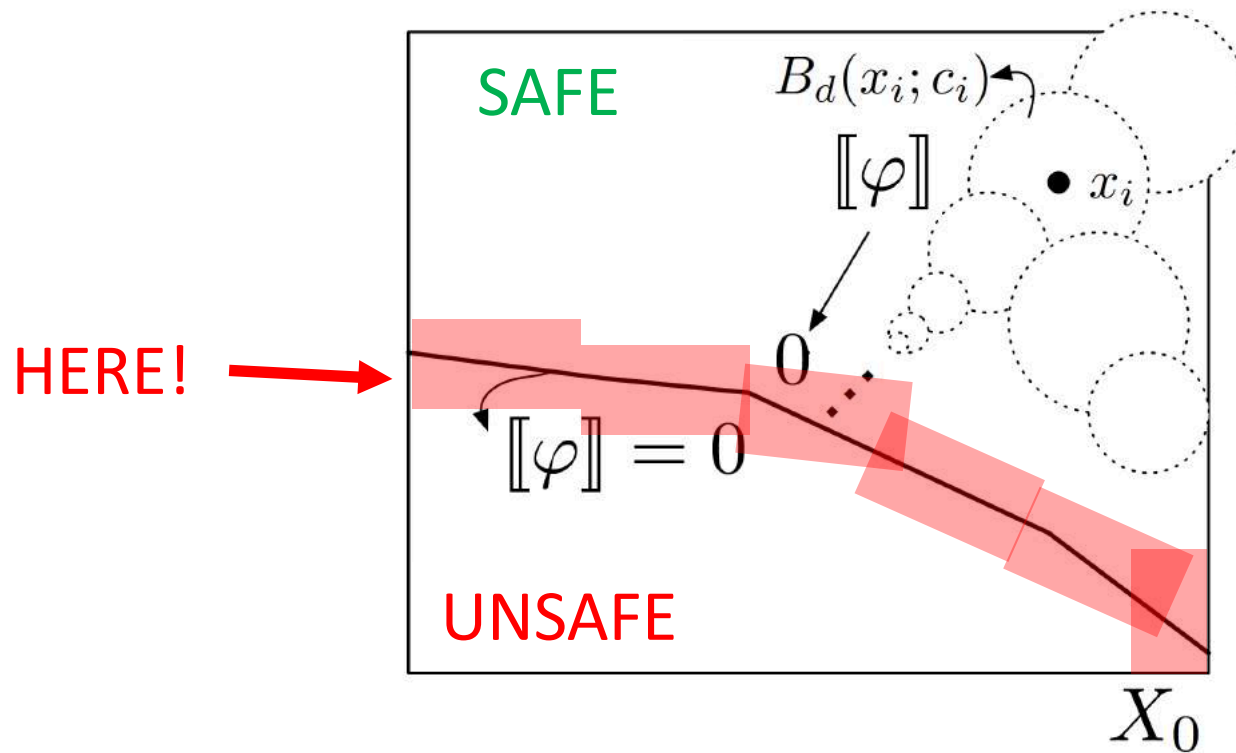


However, any **signal** that ever leaves the robustness tube *may be* unsafe.

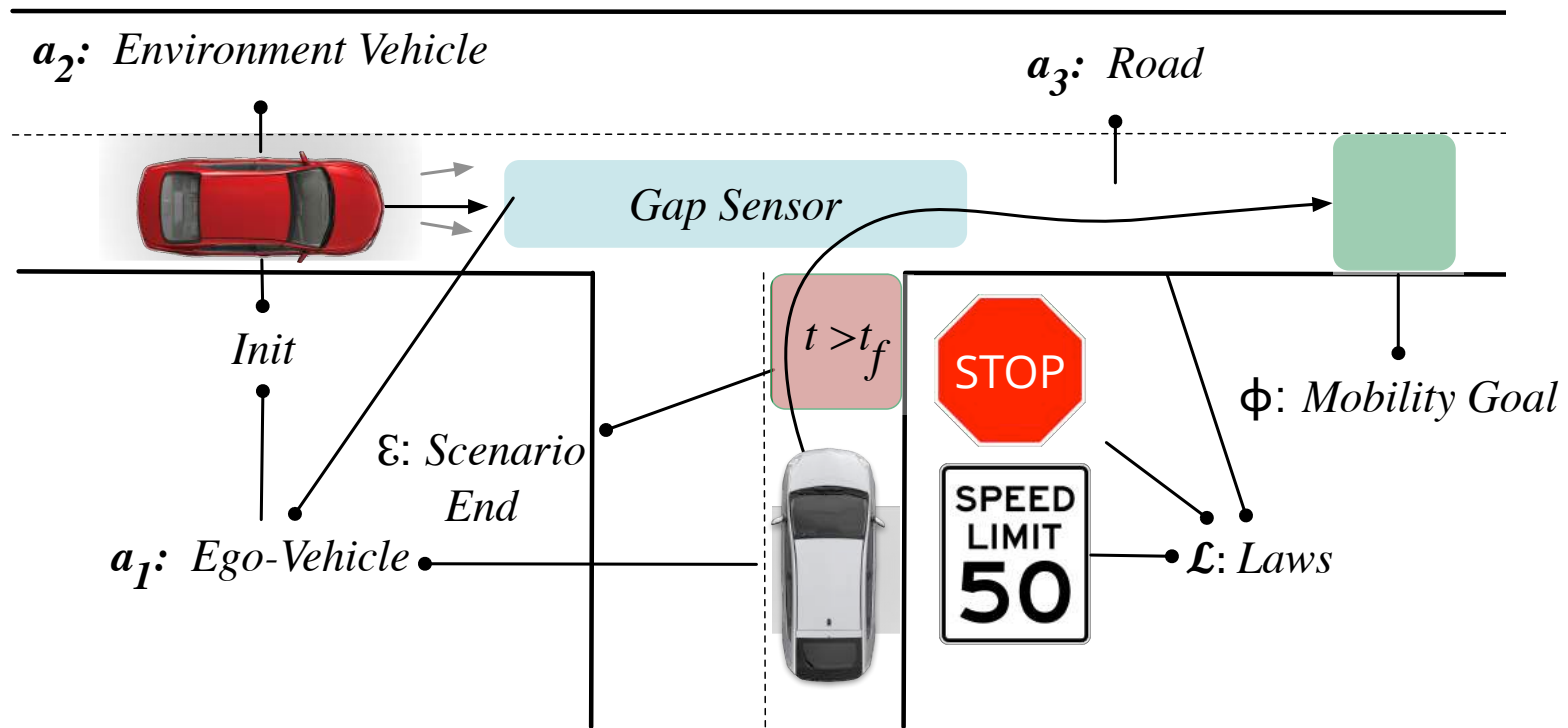
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T-Junction Robustness Landscape



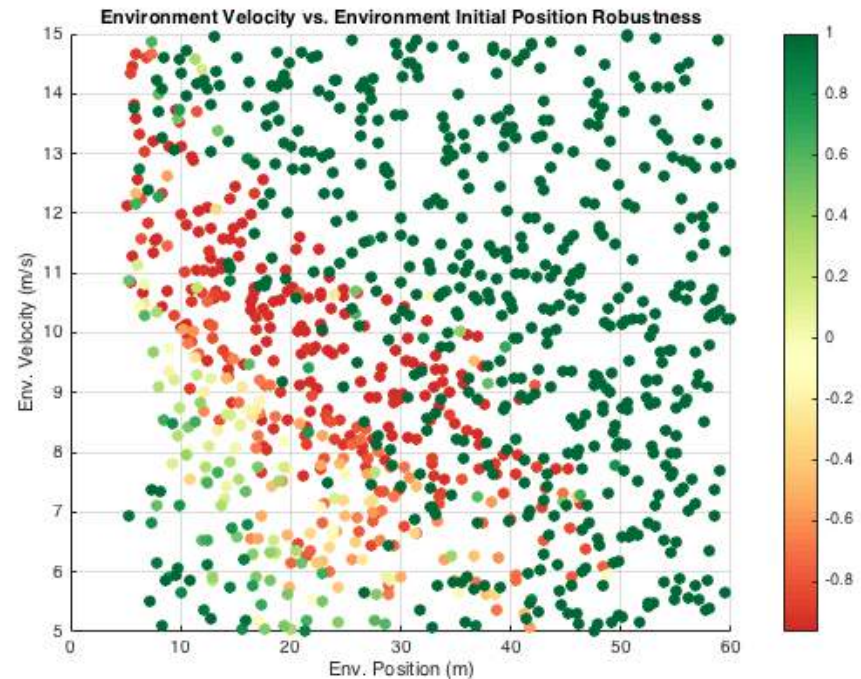
Practical Limitations: Testing

When can we draw high-confidence conclusions about *whole system behavior* from a finite number of tests?

Example:

Every point is a sample execution of system. Green = good, red = bad

Note how green and red mix, which requires a lot of samples in that area to draw high-confidence conclusions

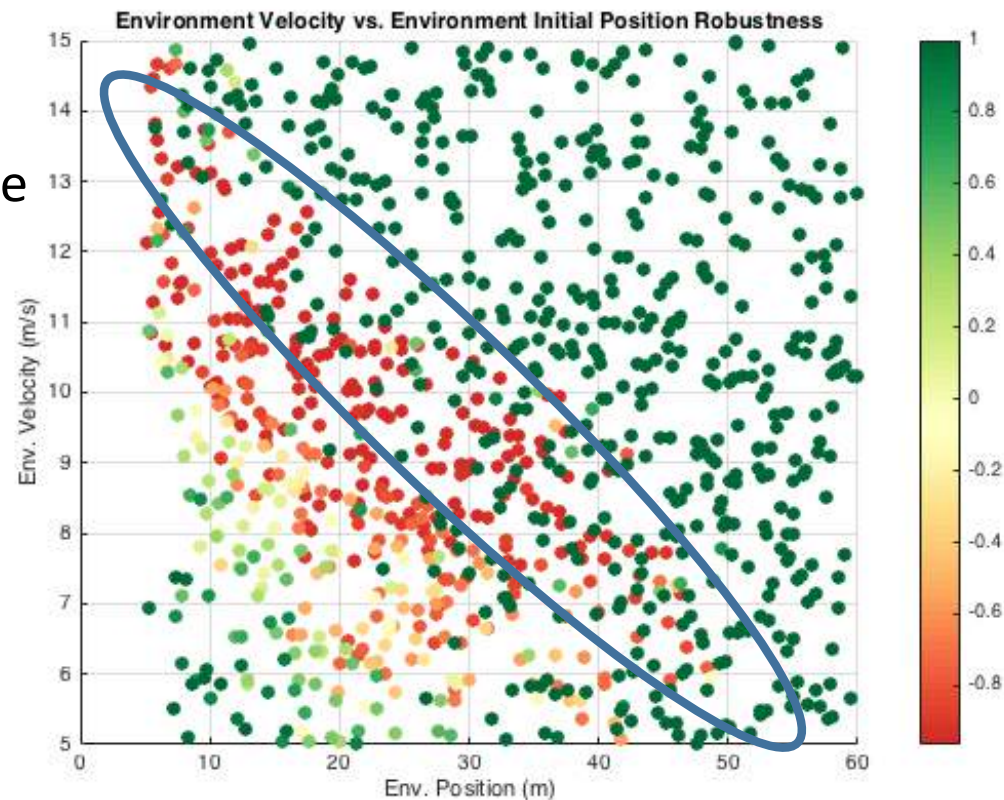


With testing you try to make a conclusion about the entire system from these samples.
What if the bad behavior is hiding between good behavior, and you never or rarely sample it?

Robustness-Guided Verification

Robustness-guided falsification leads us to the low-robustness ellipsoid.

Near-exhaustive verification decisively verifies this smaller behavior.



How to define robustness for more complex MTL specifications?

A more general mission requirement:

Prepare to exit highway **through right lane** in **T seconds**

[Refine] Sometime **in the next T seconds**, Position = right lane.

[Refine] Sometime **in the next T seconds**, (**steering angle > 15** and acceleration > 0) until until Position = right lane.

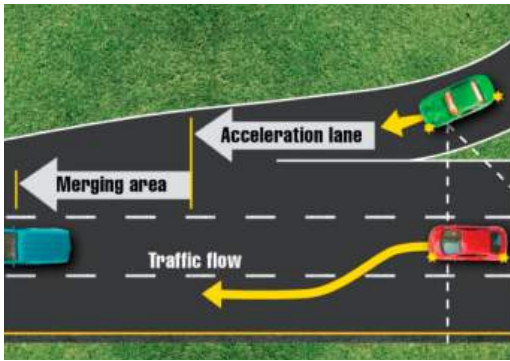
[Refine] Sometime **in the next T seconds**, (**steering angle > 15** and acceleration > 0) until until Position = right lane, **UNLESS right lane is occupied**

[MTL]

RightLane.isFree $\rightarrow F_{[0,T]}((\text{angle} > 15 \wedge acc > 0)U(pos = right))$

Modeling Framework: Agents operating within scenarios

Representative scenarios:



Lane merge



Roundabout



Stop signs

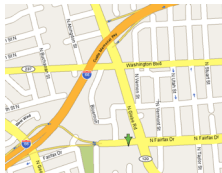


Pedestrians

Understand *common agents* for more intuitive modeling:



Target Vehicle



Road Network



Traffic Laws



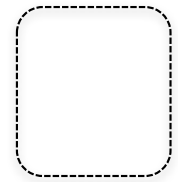
Other Vehicles



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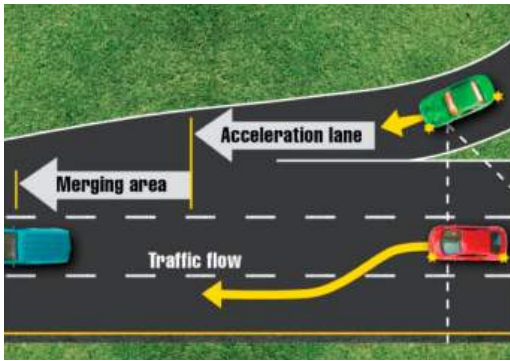
Infrastructure



New Agents

Modeling Framework: Problem Statement

For a *given scenario*, vehicle model, & requirements specified over a finite time...



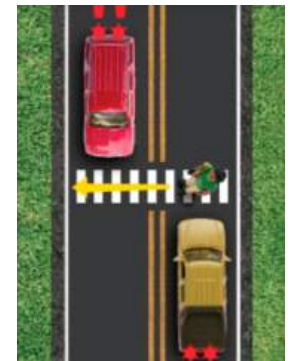
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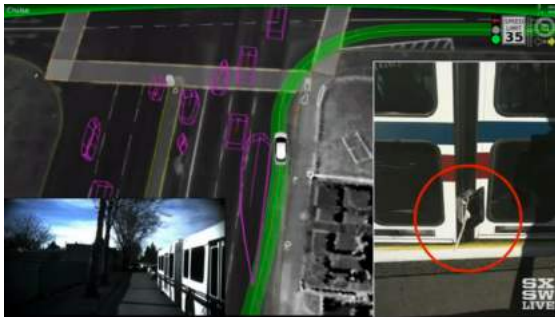


Stop signs



Pedestrians

Does there exist an unsafe execution of the controller?



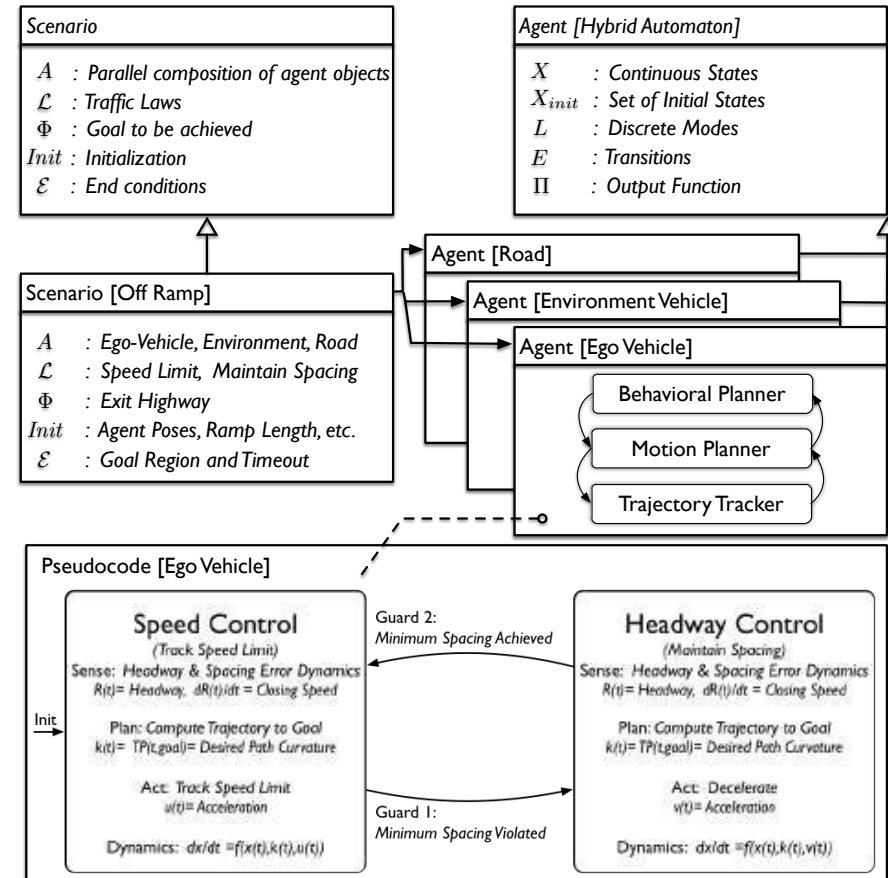
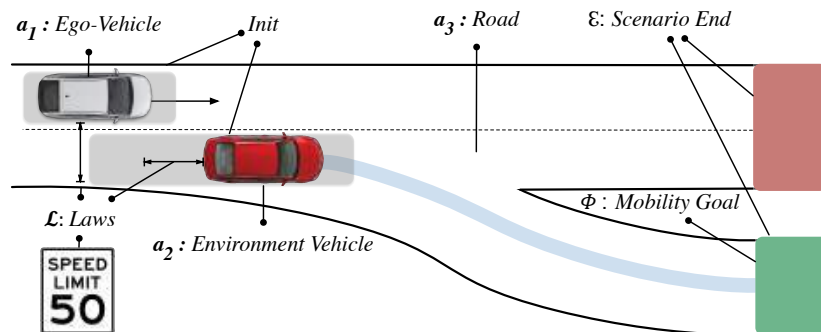
Robustness-Guided Verification: Tool development

The tool-chain: One Scenario Entry Point

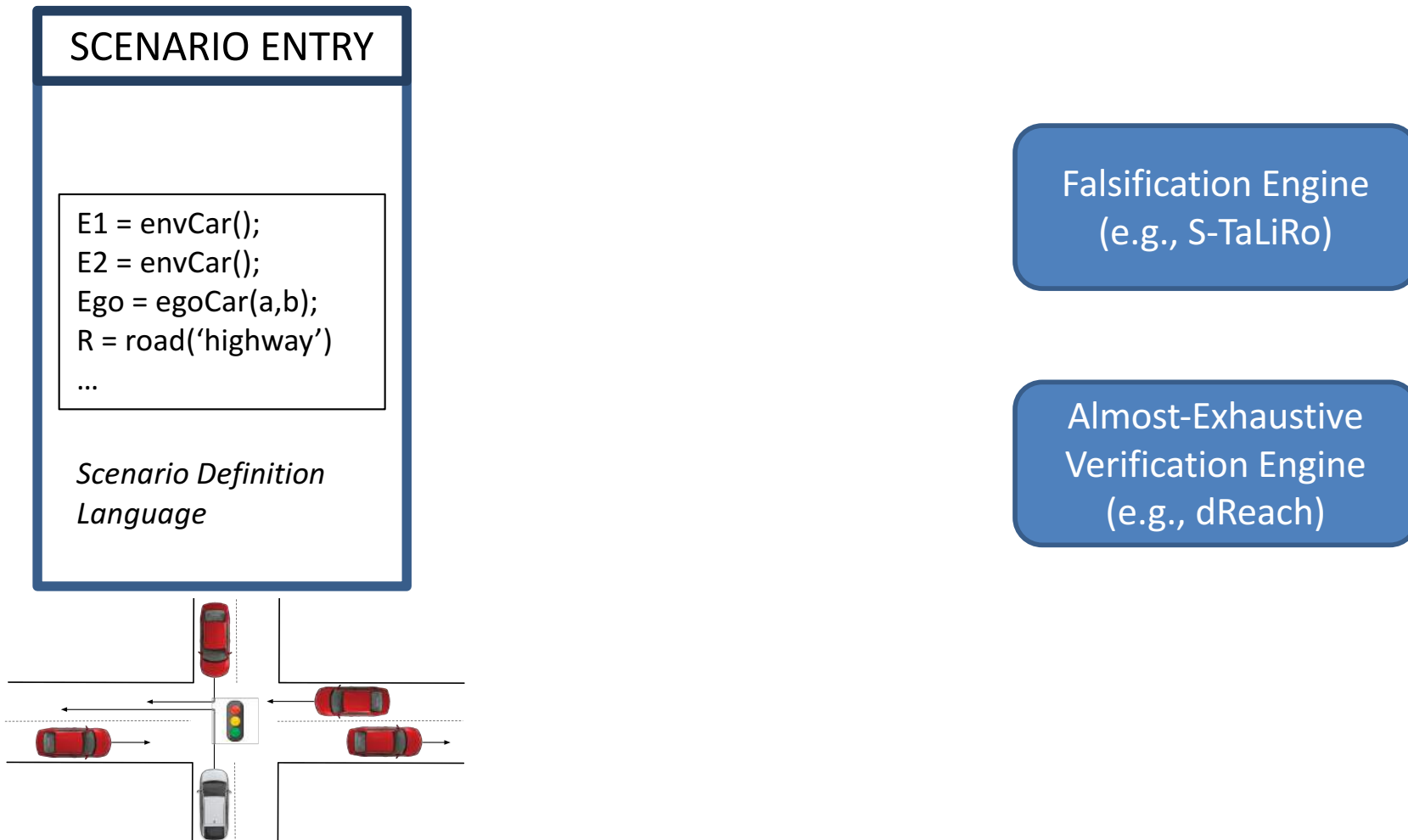
SCENARIO ENTRY

```
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*Scenario
Definition
Language*



The tool-chain: Checking Engines

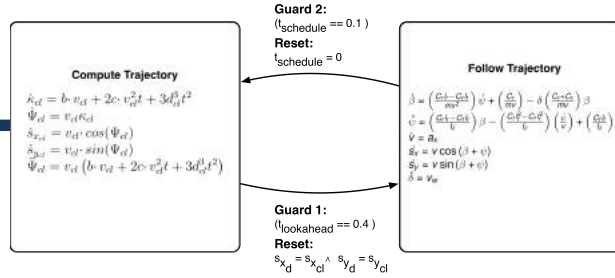


The tool-chain: Common formalism for simulation and verification

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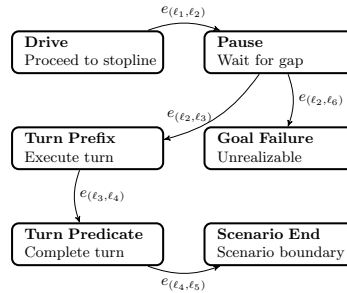
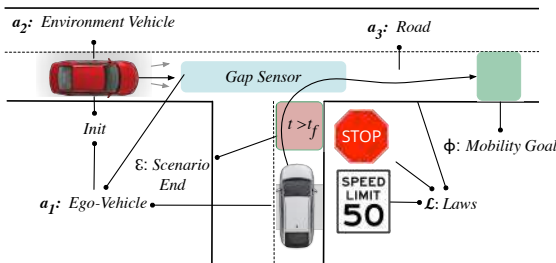
Scenario Definition Language



Falsification Engine
(e.g., S-TaLiRo)

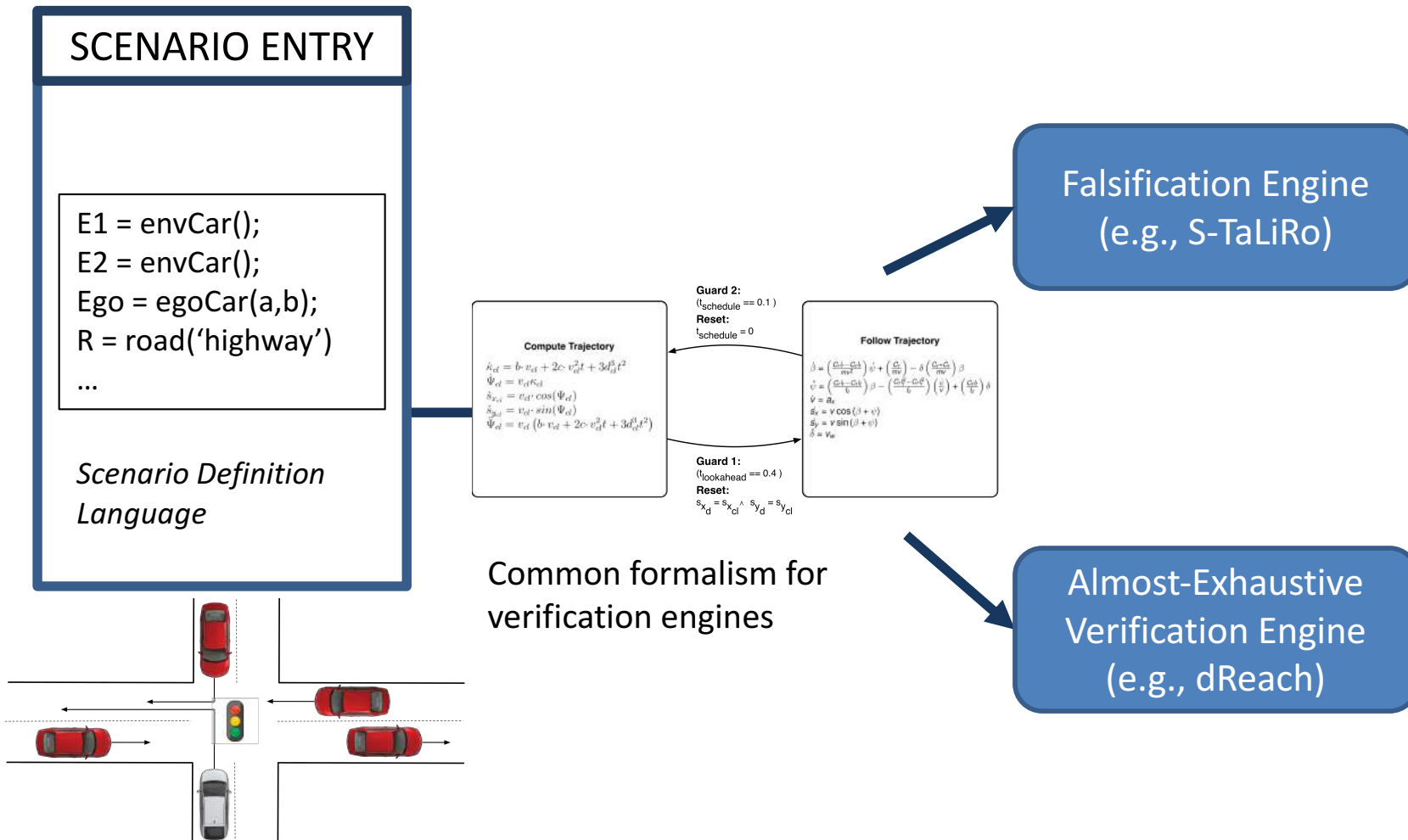
Common formalism
(Intermediate Representation)
for verification engines

Almost-Exhaustive
Verification Engine
(e.g., dReach)

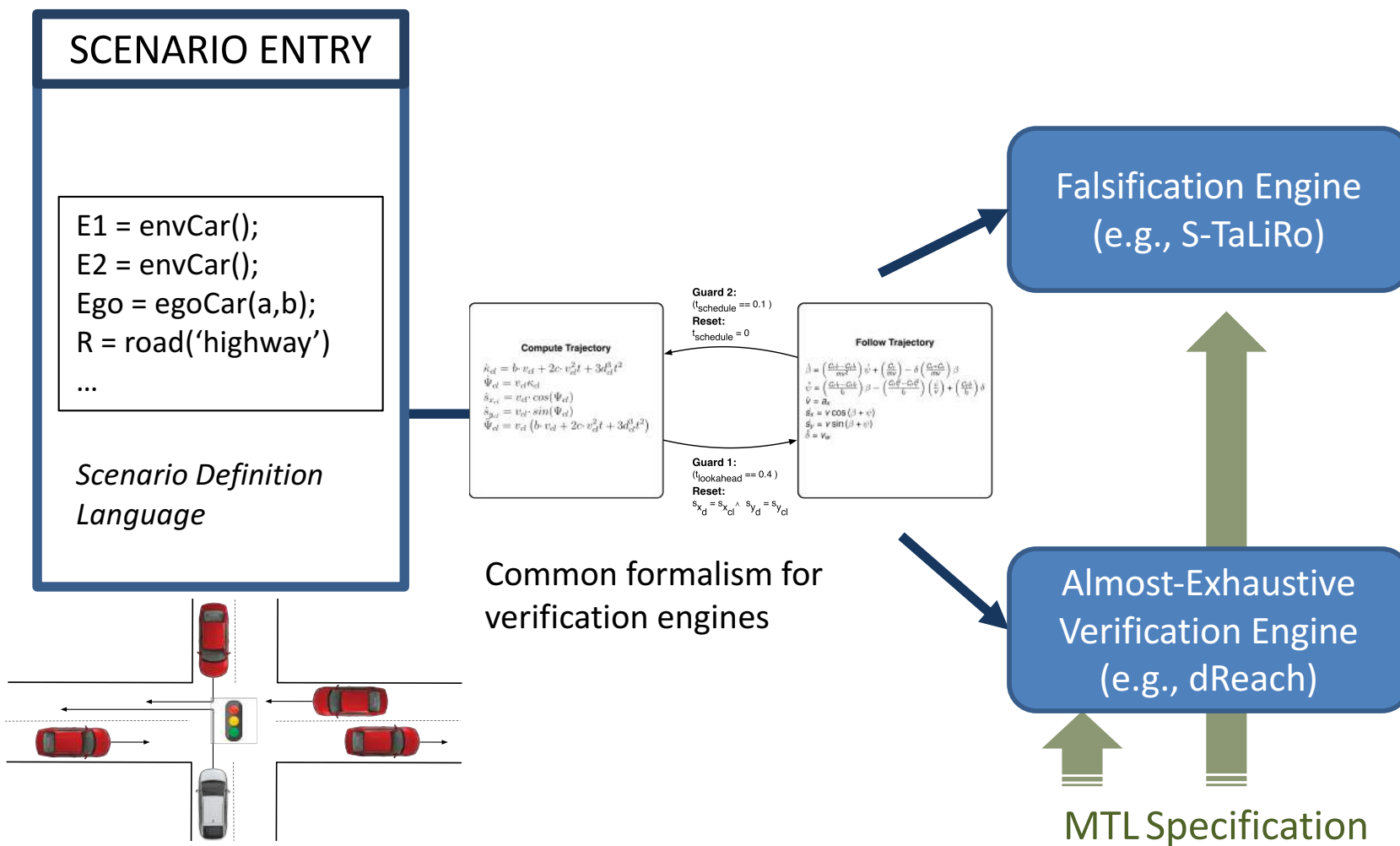


Mode	Transitions	
Drive (ℓ_1)	Guard $\Gamma_{(\ell_1, \ell_2)}: s_x \geq s_{x_{stop}}$ Reset $Re_{(\ell_1, \ell_2)}: t' = 0$ Next State: Pause	Guard: NA Reset: NA Next State: NA
Pause (ℓ_2)	Guard $\Gamma_{(\ell_2, \ell_3)}: (t > t_{pause}) \wedge (d_{gap} > d_{min})$ Reset $Re_{(\ell_2, \ell_3)}: t' = 0$ Next State: Turn Prefix	Guard: $\Gamma_{(\ell_2, \ell_6)} (t > t_f) \wedge (\ell = 2)$ Reset: NA Next State: Goal Failure
Turn Prefix (ℓ_3)	Guard $\Gamma_{(\ell_3, \ell_4)}: s_y < s_{fy1}$ Reset $Re_{(\ell_3, \ell_4)}: s'_{x0} = s_x, s'_{y0} = s_y, s'_{ego} = 0$ $s'_{x_{goal}} = wp_{x1}, s_{y_{goal}} = wp_{y1}$ Next State: Turn Predicate	Guard: NA Reset: NA Next State: NA
Turn Predicate (ℓ_4)	Guard $\Gamma_{(\ell_4, \ell_5)}: s_y < s_{fy2}$ Reset $Re_{(\ell_4, \ell_5)}: s'_{x0} = s_x, s'_{y0} = s_y, s'_{ego} = 0$ $s'_{x_{goal}} = wp_{x2}, s_{y_{goal}} = wp_{y2}$ Next State: Scenario Complete	Guard: NA Reset: NA Next State: NA

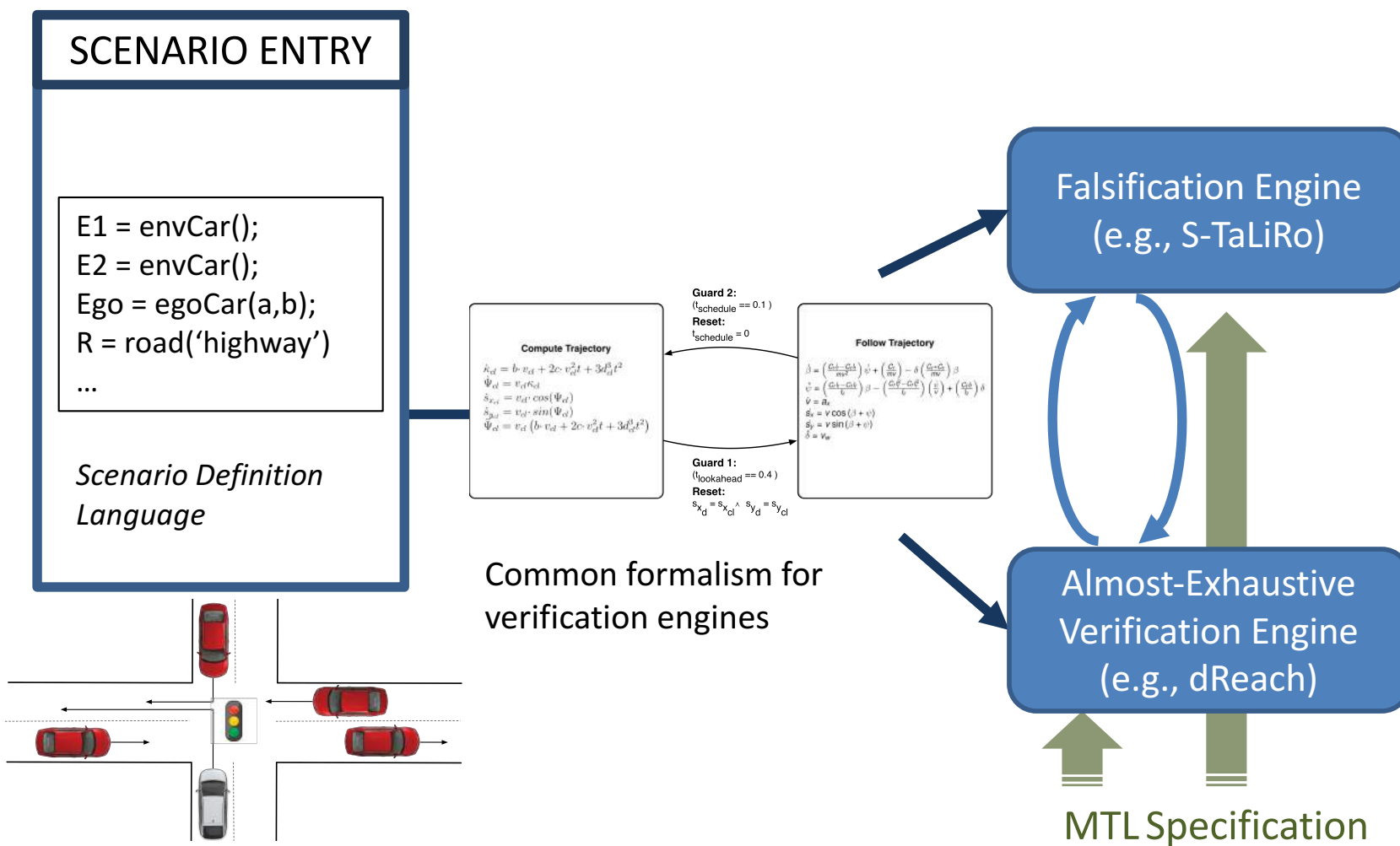
The tool-chain: Conversion from formalism to tool formats



The tool-chain: Formal specification in Metric Temporal Logic



The tool-chain: Robustness-Guided Verification



The tool-chain: Integration and testing of real code

Falsification Engine
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*Scenario Definition
Language*

Compute Trajectory

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{r}_{cl} &= b \cdot v_d + 2c \cdot v_d^2 t + 3d_d^3 t^2 \\ \Psi_{cl} &= v_d \cdot c_d \\ \hat{s}_{x,cl} &= v_d \cdot \cos(\Psi_{cl}) \\ \hat{s}_{y,cl} &= v_d \cdot \sin(\Psi_{cl}) \\ \Psi_{cl} &= v_d (b \cdot v_d + 2c \cdot v_d^2 t + 3d_d^3 t^2)\end{aligned}$$

Guard 2:
(!schedule == 0.1)

Reset:
!schedule = 0

Follow Trajectory

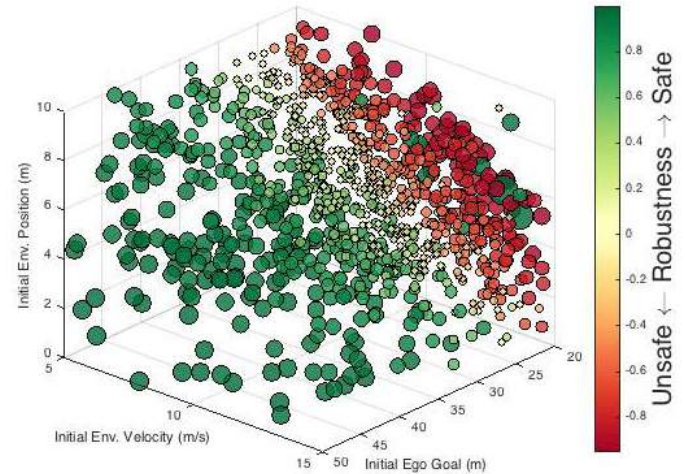
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\beta} &= \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{x,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta} + \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{y,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta} - \delta \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{x,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta} \\ \dot{\beta} &= \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{x,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta} - \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{y,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta} + \left(\frac{\partial \hat{s}_{x,cl}}{\partial t} \right) \dot{\beta}\end{aligned}$$

Computer
Vision
Code

Guard 1:
(!lookahead == 0.4)

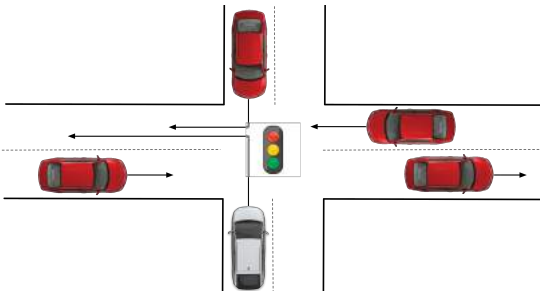
Reset:
 $s_{x_d} = s_{x_{cl}} \wedge s_{y_d} = s_{y_{cl}}$

Common formalism for
verification engines

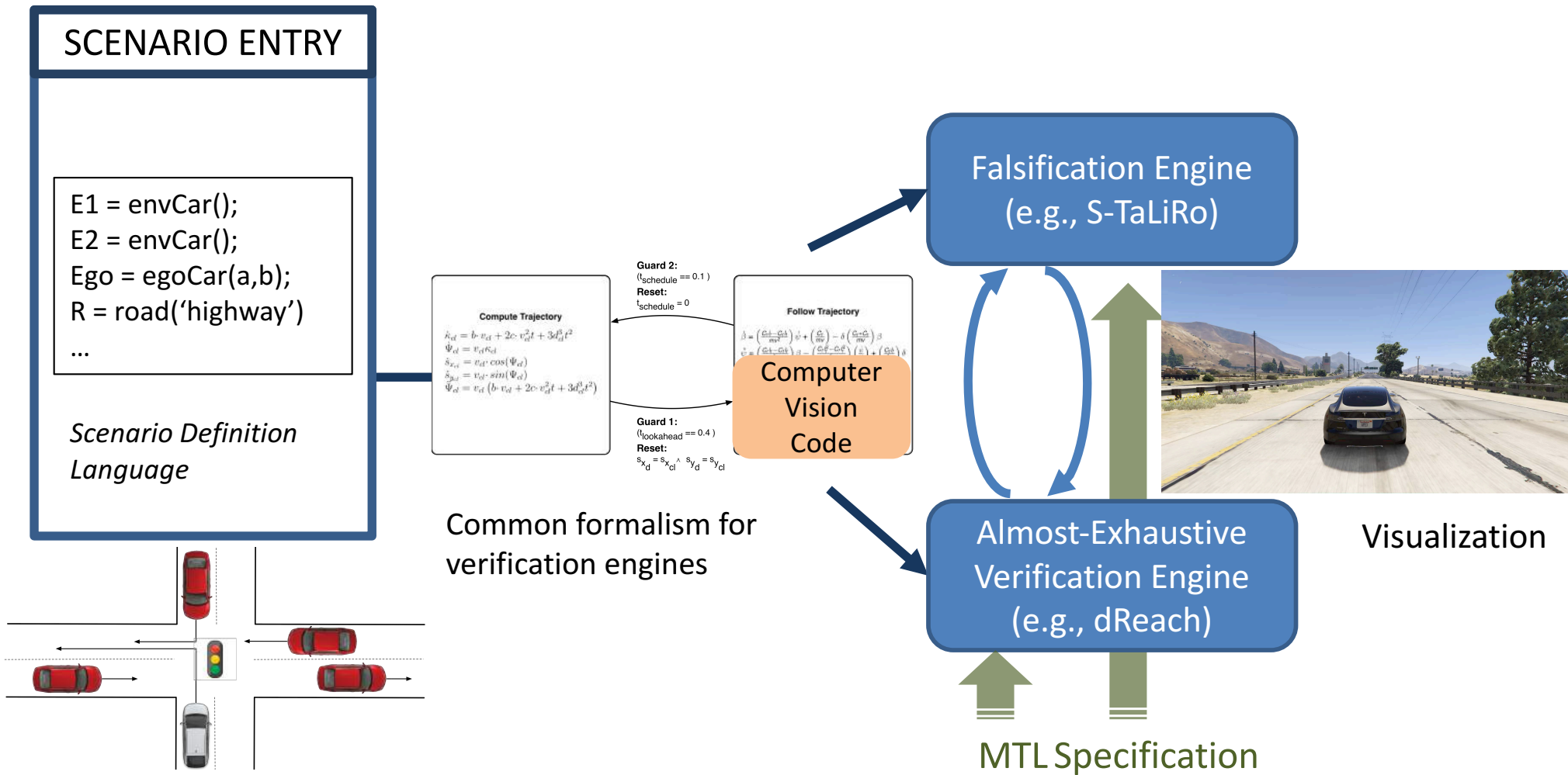


Almost-Exhaustive
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MTL Specification



The tool-chain: Visualization of accidents and violations



Autonomous vehicle **P**lan verification and **EX**ecution

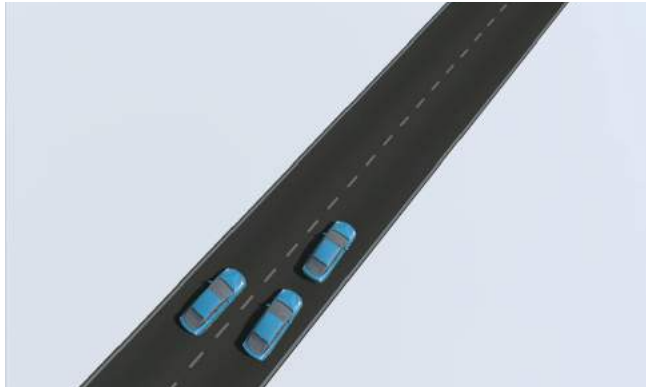
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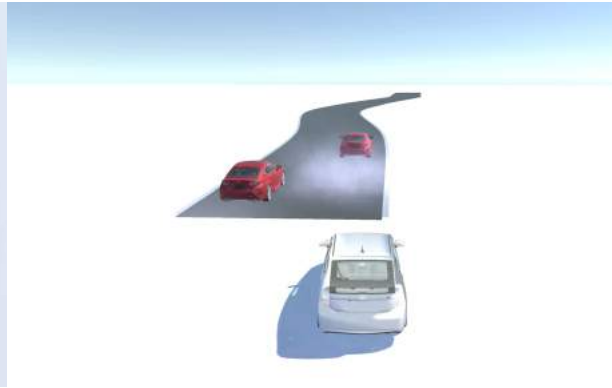
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APEX Toolbox: Basic Scenario Library



Multi-lane Merges



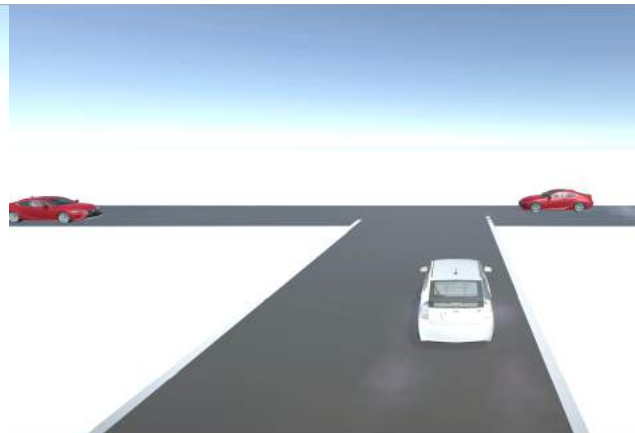
Curved Roads



Highway On-ramps



Highway Exit

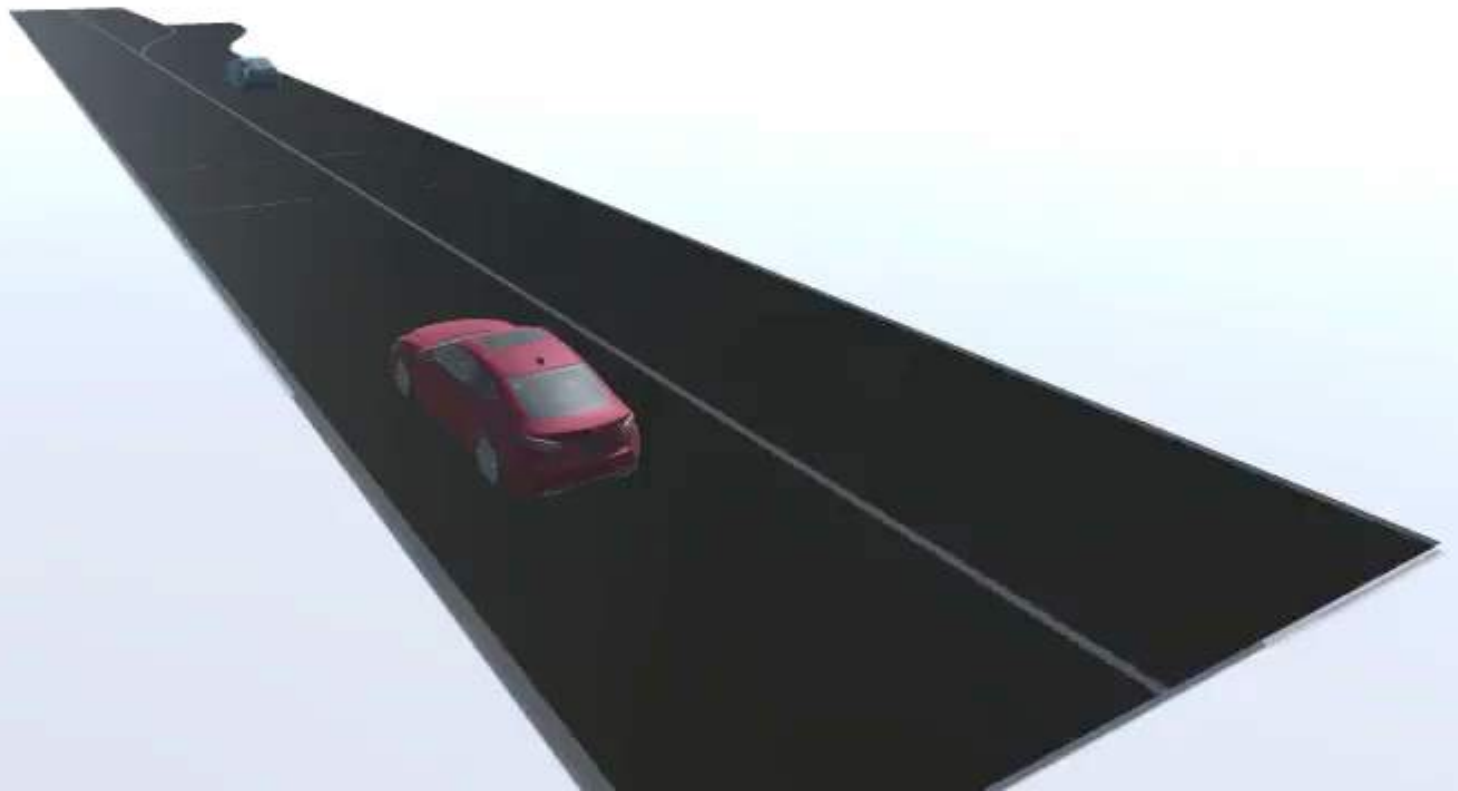


T-Junctions



Roundabouts

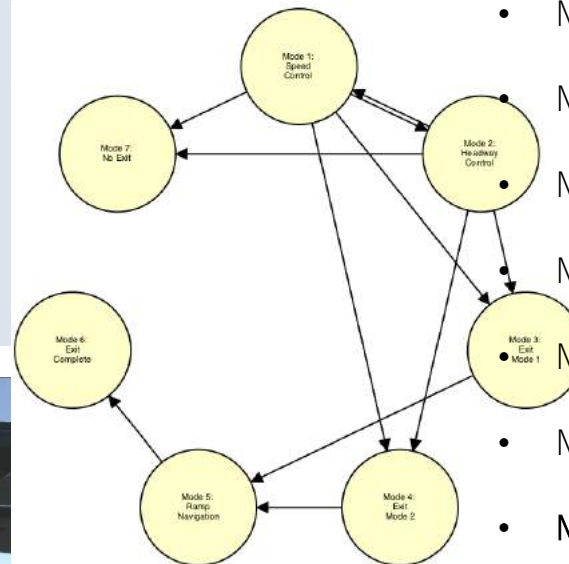
Case Study: Exiting the Highway



Case Study : Exiting the Highway



An unsafe execution...



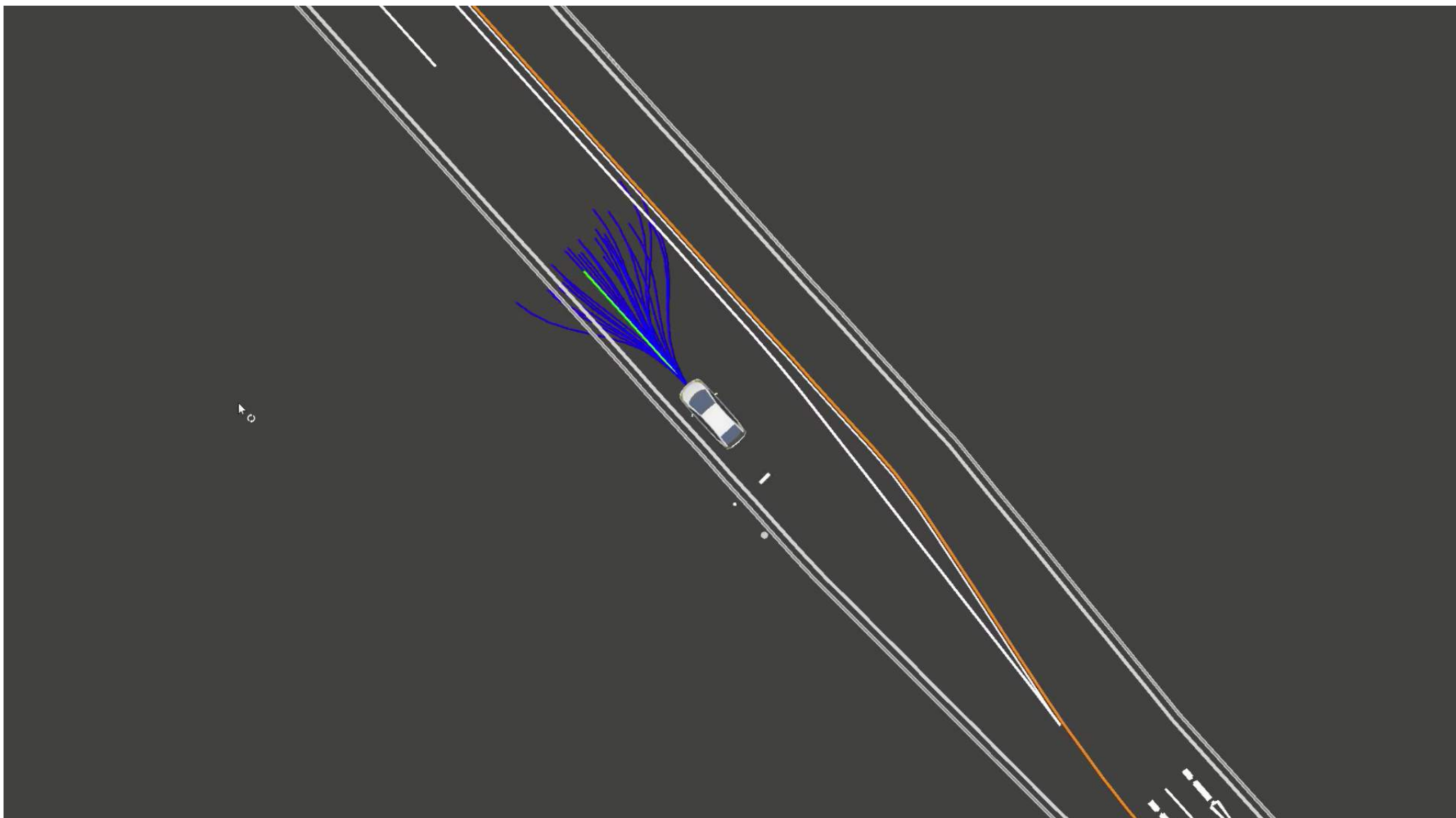
- Mode 1 to Mode 2
 - Large gap...
- Mode 1 to Mode 3
 - Proximity to exit point, ordering 1.
- Mode 1 to Mode 4
 - Proximity to exit point, ordering 2.
- Mode 1 to Mode 7
 - Pass point of no return.
- Mode 2 to Mode 1
- Mode 2 to Mode 3
 - Proximity to exit point, ordering 1.
- Mode 2 to Mode 4
 - Proximity to exit point, ordering 2.
- Mode 2 to Mode 7
 - Pass point of no return.
- Mode 3 to Mode 5
 - At exit point, replan
- Mode 4 to Mode 5
 - At exit point, replan
- Mode 5 to Mode 6
 - Exit Complete

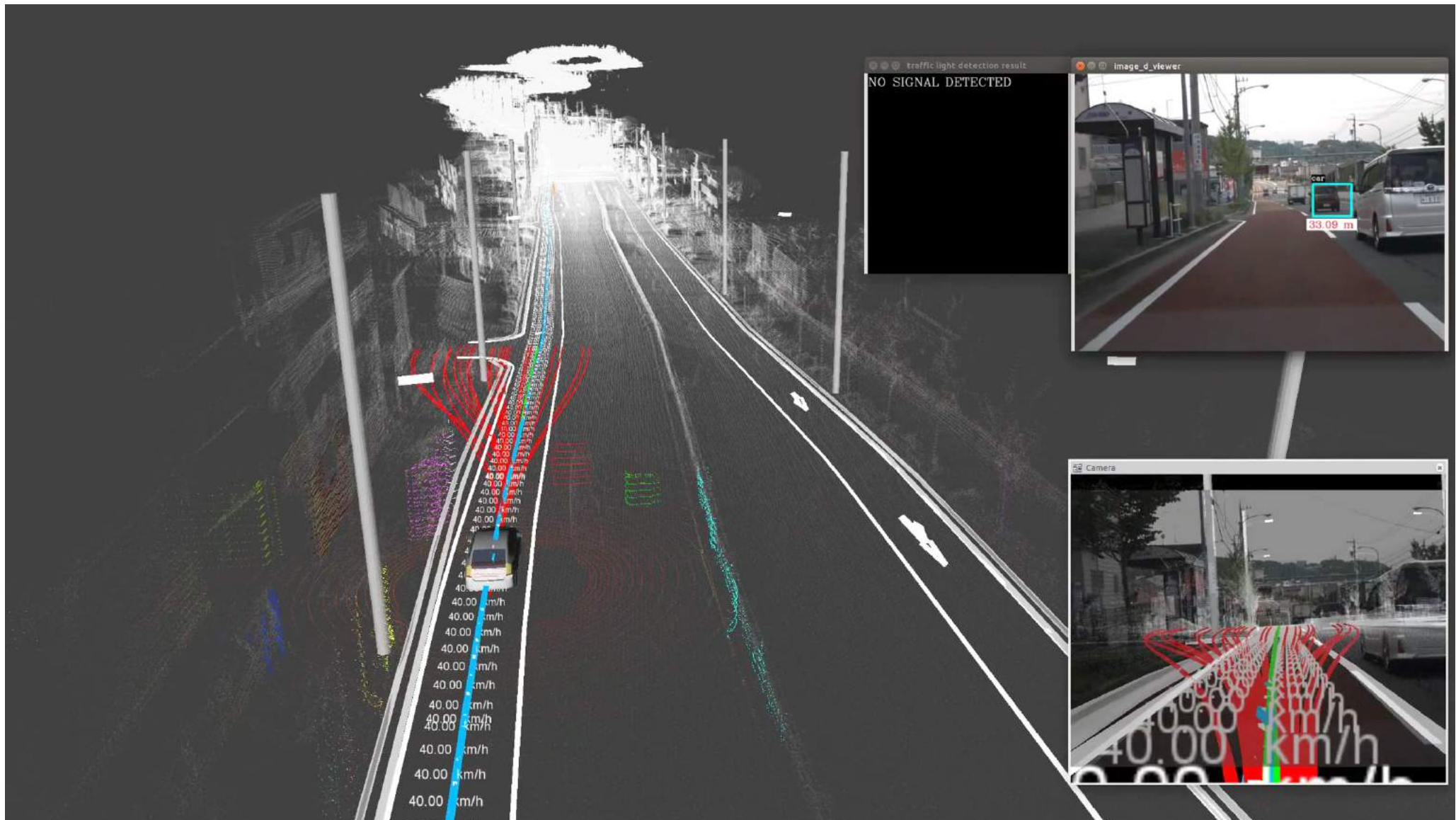
Case Study : Counterexample



Exceeded allowable speed on curve. Forgot to change desired velocity on the exit ramp...

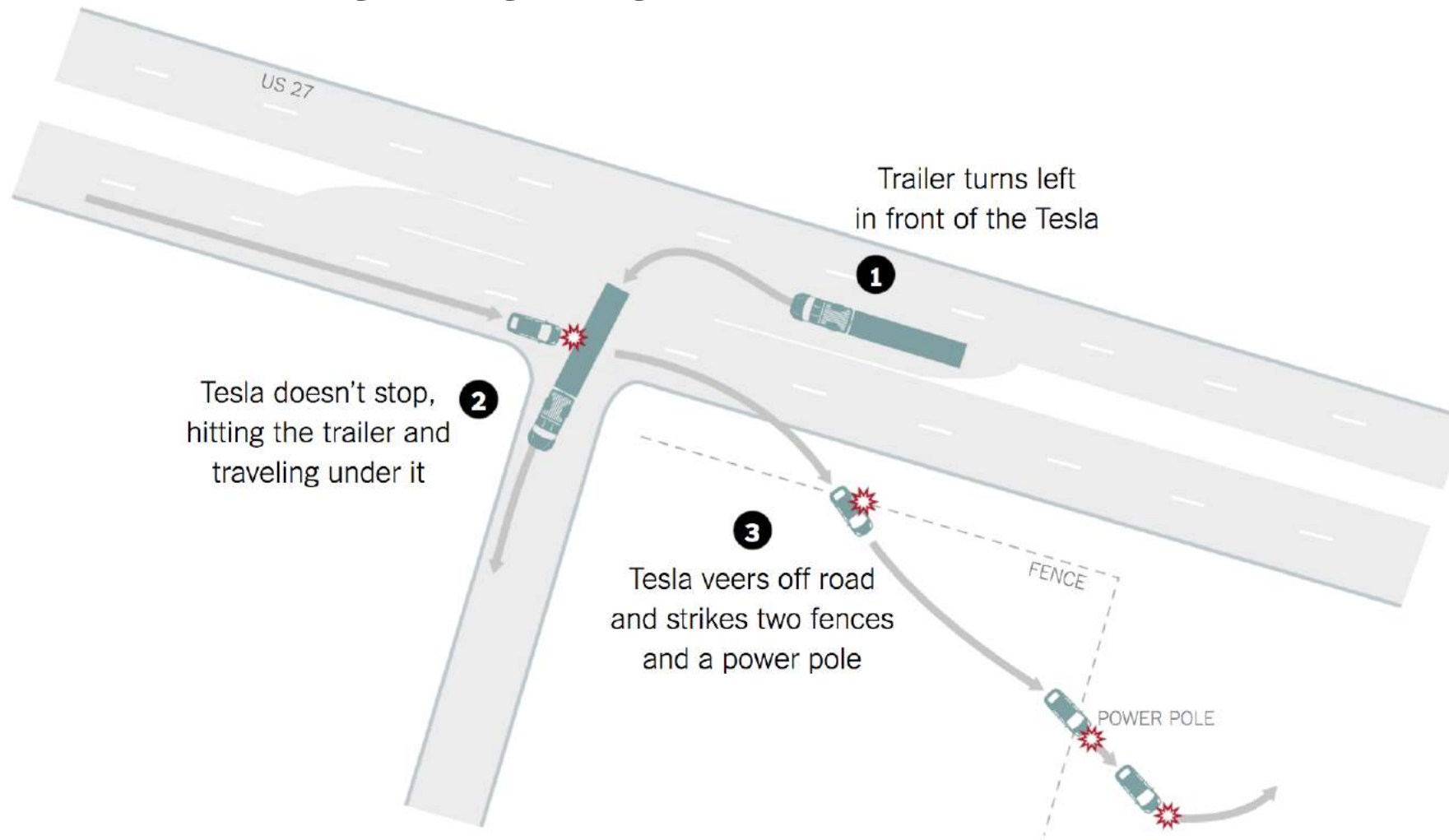
	Robustness	Falsified	Time
Run 1	2.923954853228472	0	1.015345936
Run 2	5.08758785008145	0	0.64356243
Run 3	1.58322571985417	0	0.739456261
Run 4	-1.33481474494335	1	0.647890734
Run 5	1.19092922455614	0	0.653613874
Run 6	0.7644210734606593	0	0.424821741
Run 7	3.50257488220876	0	0.417468565
Run 8	1.67075771080459	0	0.422870814
Run 9	-0.0693428364328312	1	0.246647509
Run 10	0.840635324412428	0	0.416844002
Run 11	0.0583178152910584	0	0.412734793
Run 12	0.408473731737928	0	0.414736315
Run 13	0.0880809121895942	0	0.420027416
Run 14	0.323334605645278	0	0.399421832
Run 15	1.86618290153492	0	0.718619361
Run 16	0.357522415132801	0	0.637938451
Run 17	-0.424533871152353	1	0.677554789
Run 18	-1.52676106159999	1	0.652093781
Run 19	0.276072018492533	0	0.641657179
...





Post Accident Analysis: Adversarial Search

Meanwhile: Things are getting serious...

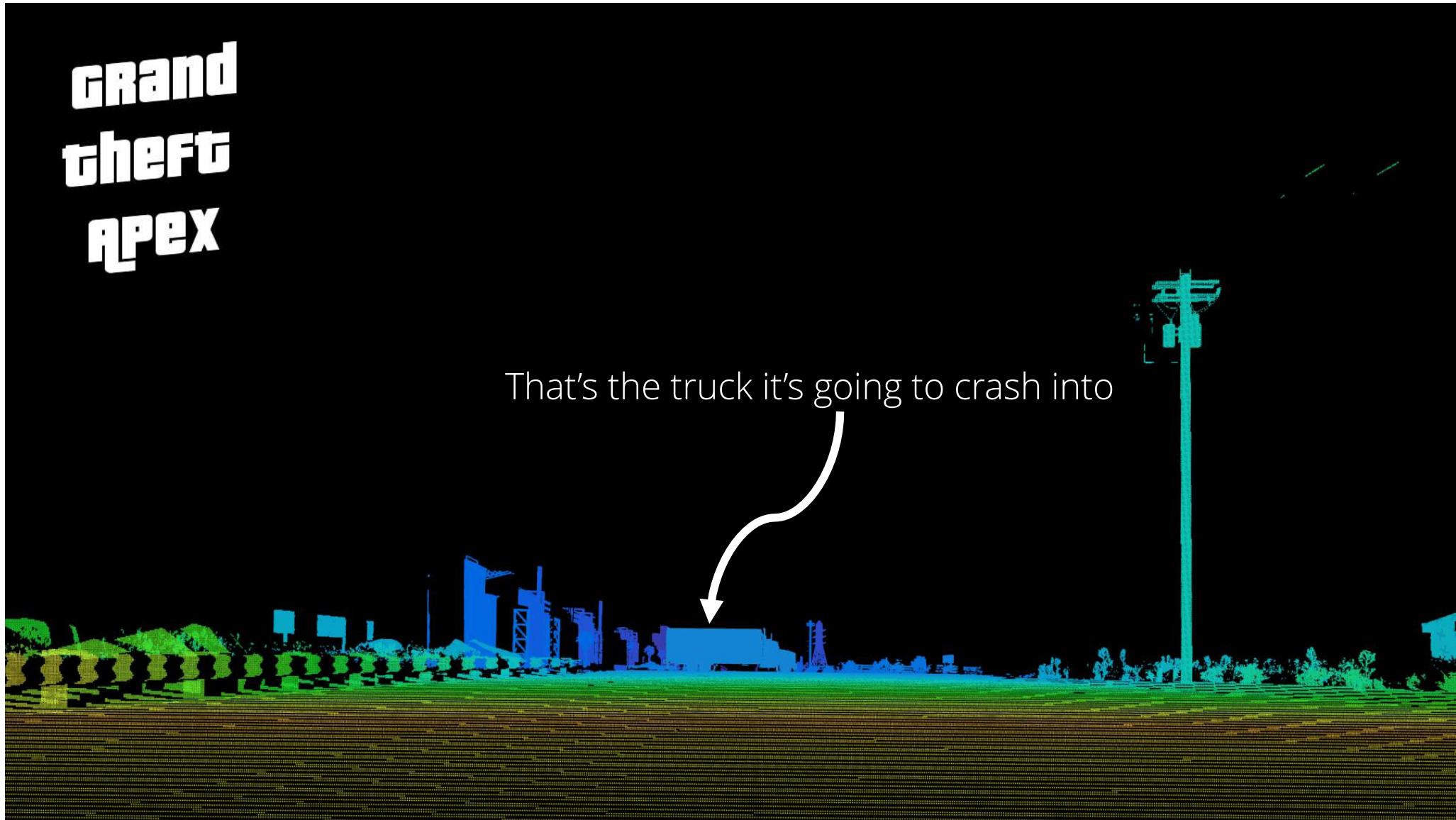


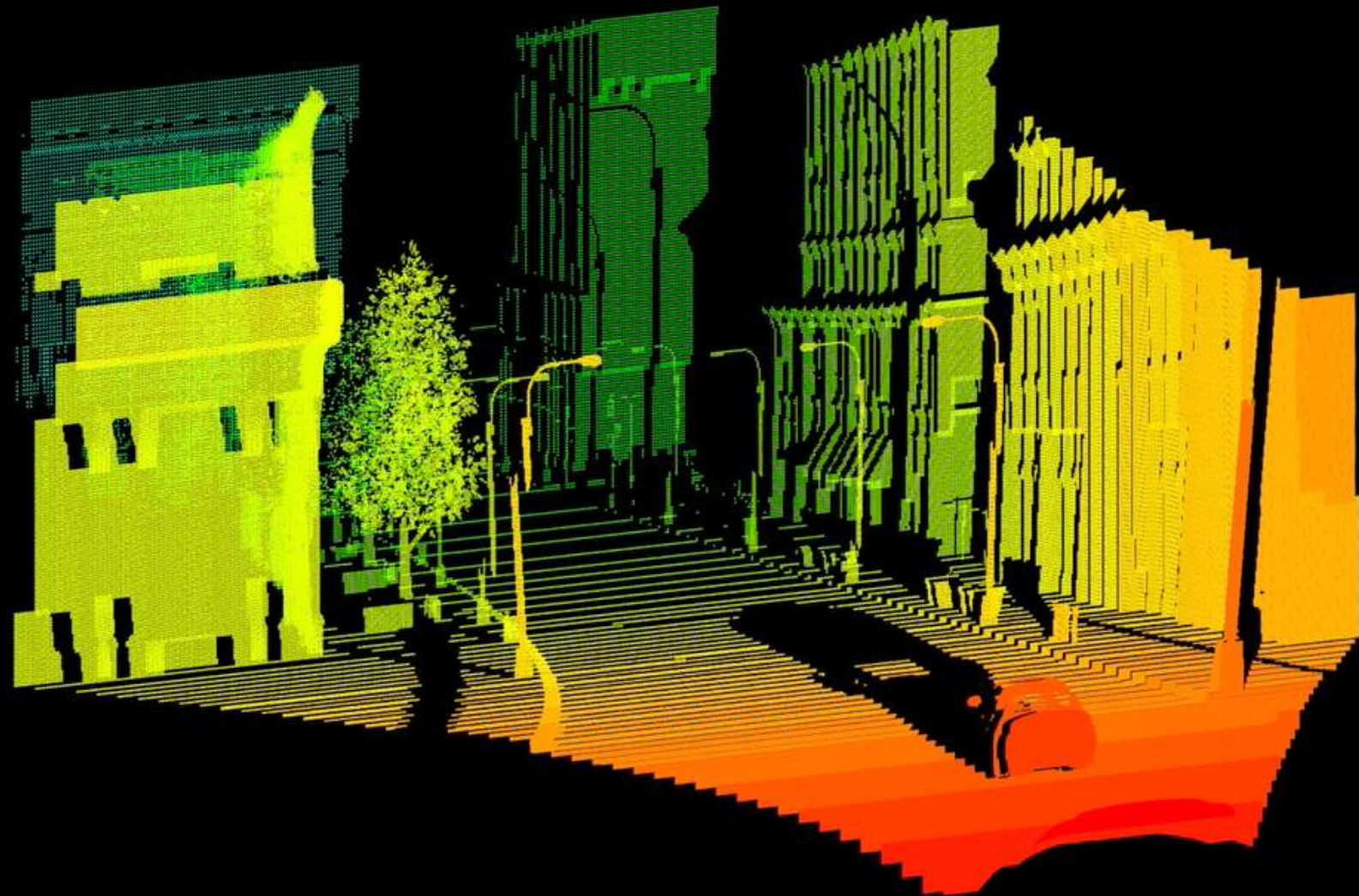
Grand Theft APEX

Embed self-reflective capacity in AV agents operating in a photorealistic open world, enabling robustness guided data synthesis, and unguided scenario generation leveraging multiple agent experiences simultaneously

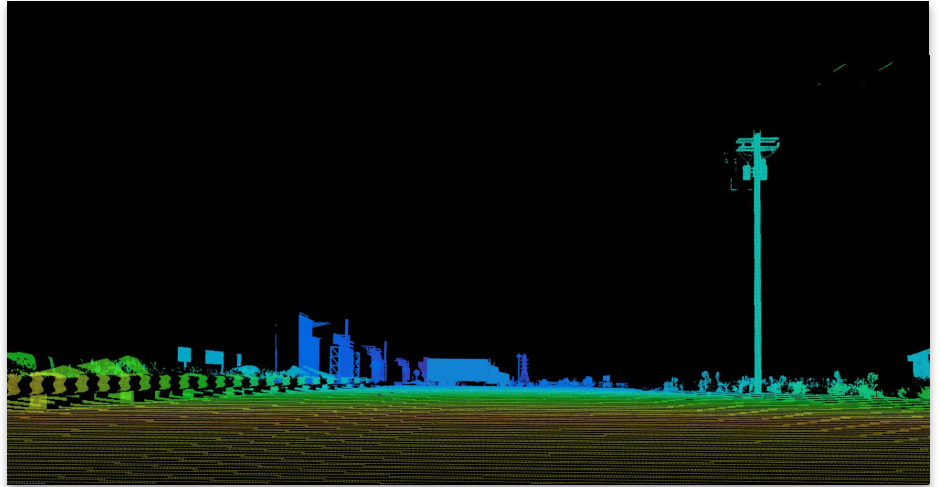
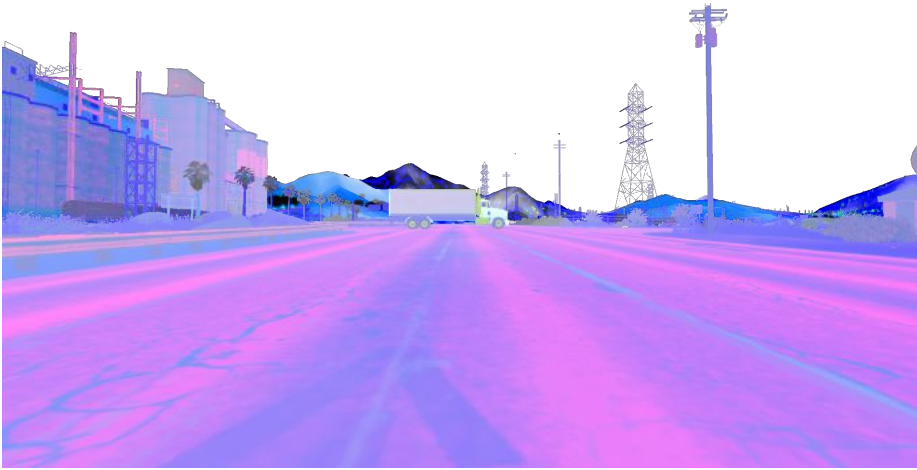
Grand theft Apex

That's the truck it's going to crash into





Simulation: Artificial Sensors





Multi-rendering from
single game instance...

*Can mimic modern camera
based SDC systems ie AP2...*

Top: RGB

Bottom: Depth

Clockwise:

Front

Back

Left

Right

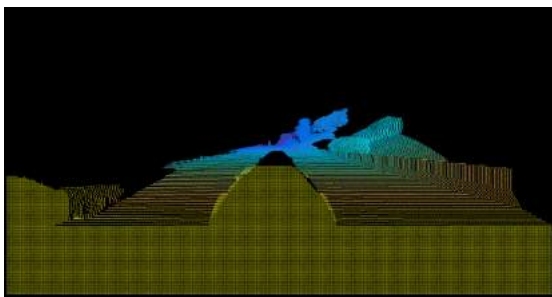
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The Guardian Angel Problem

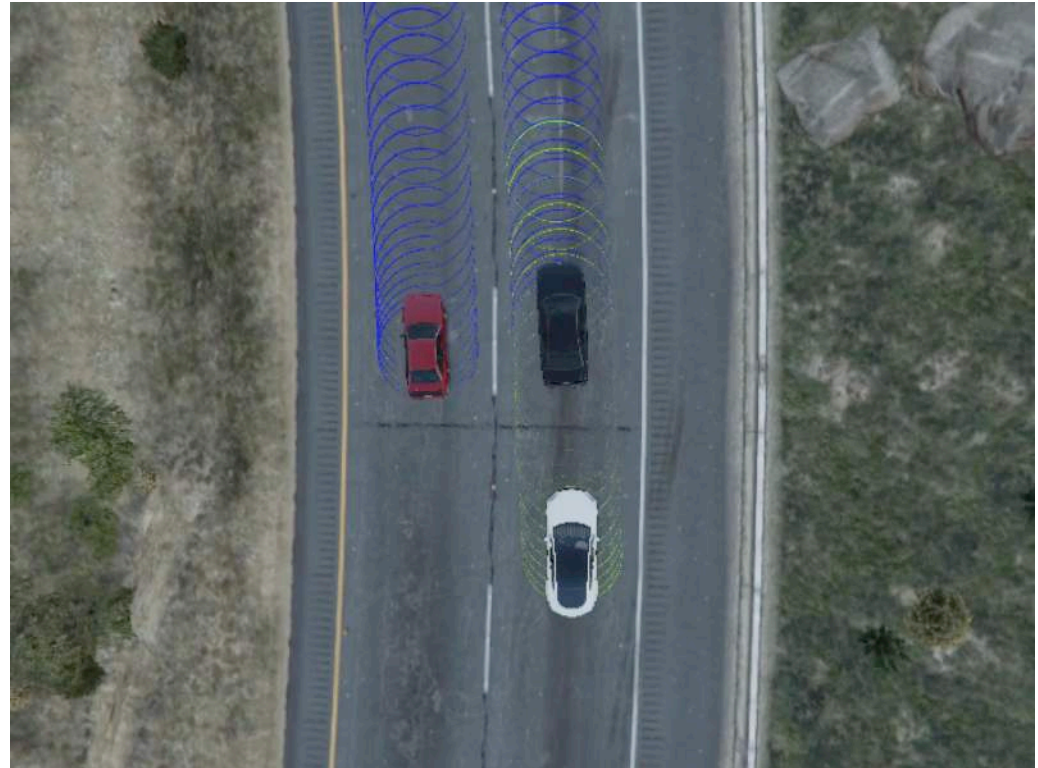
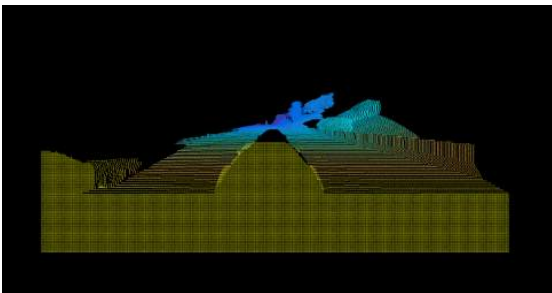
Can we synthesize low robustness scenarios?

Scenario Search

Control Interfaces: APEX Robust Testing and Verification

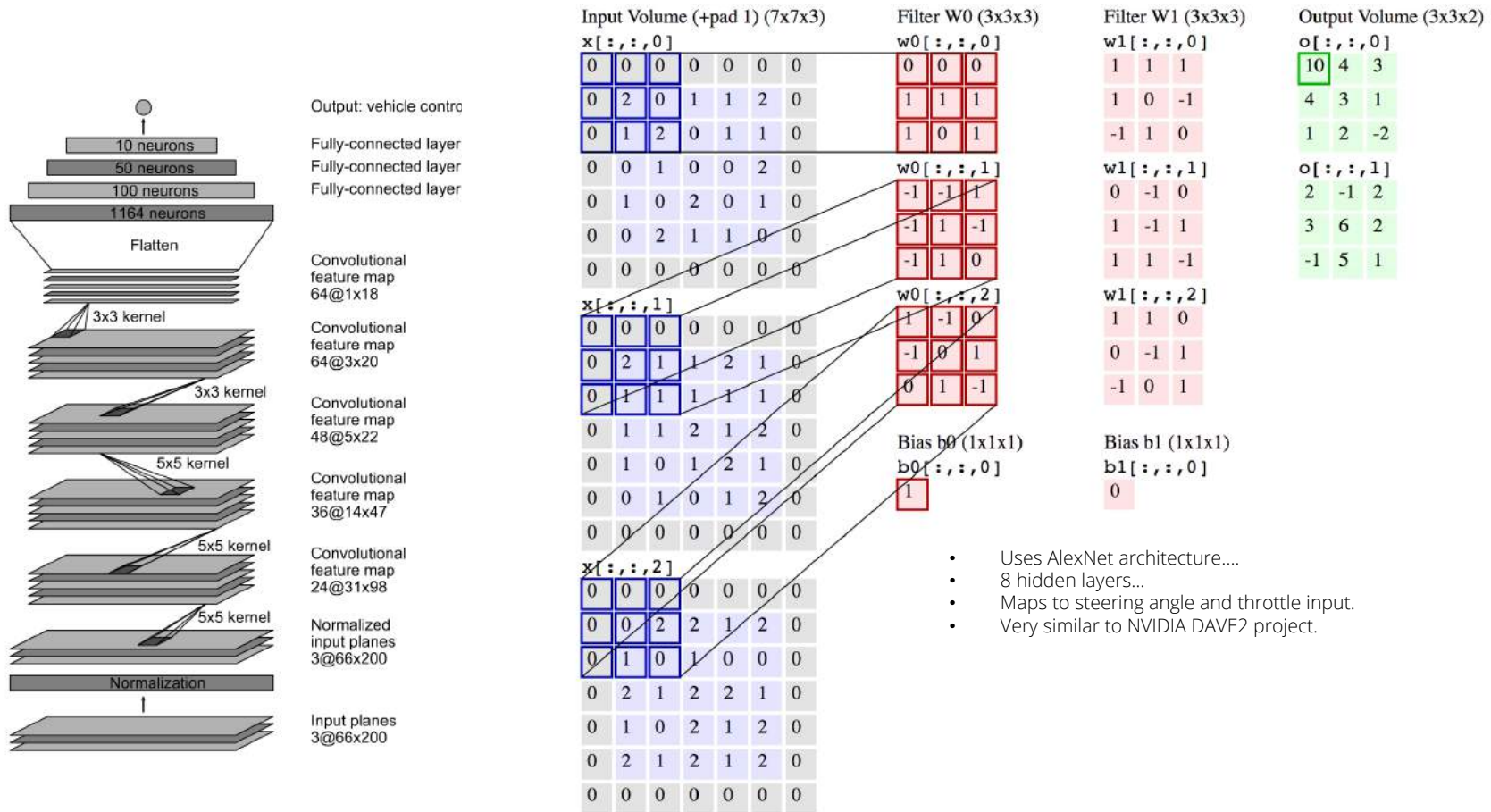


Control Interfaces: APEX Robust Testing...



End-to-End Learning

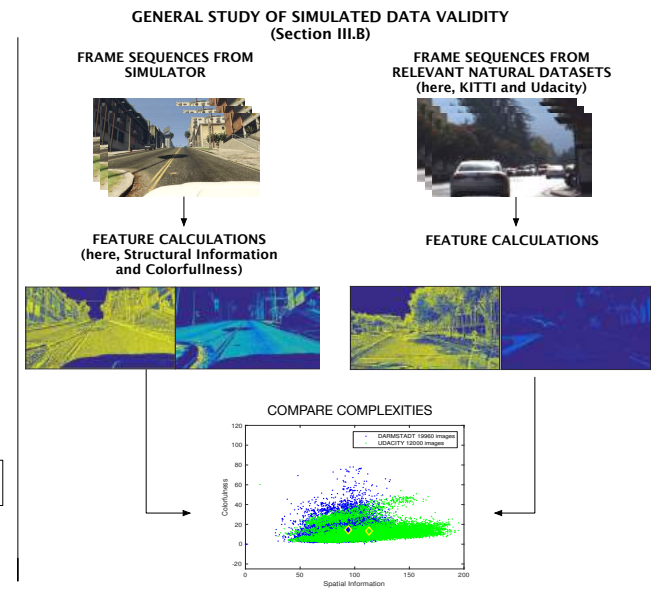
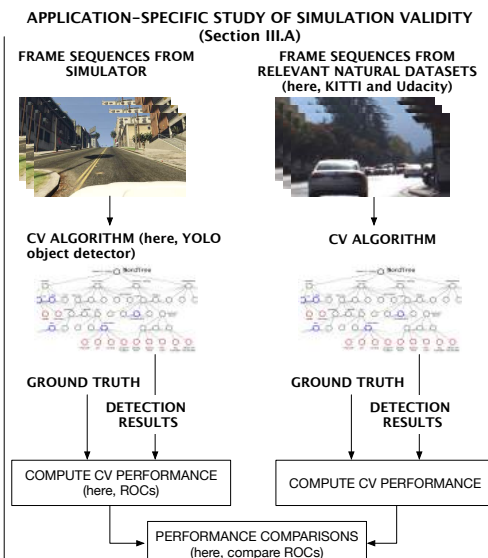
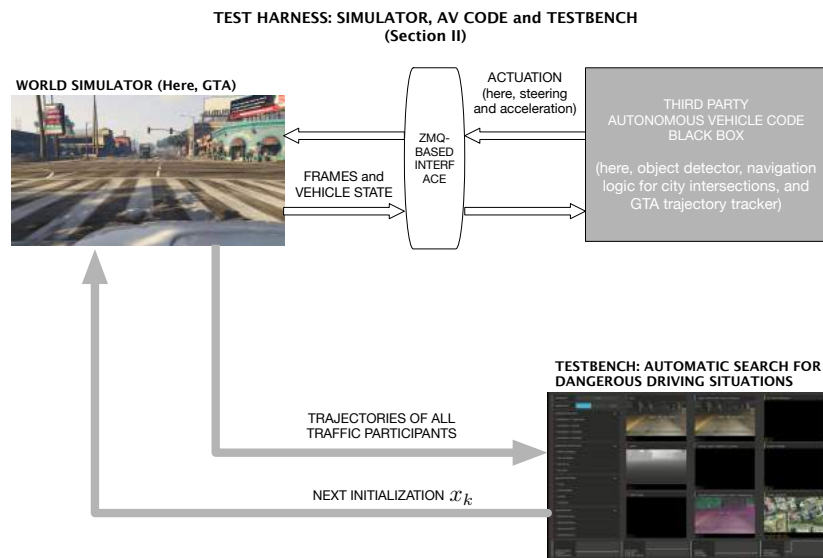
Control Interfaces: End-to-end CNN



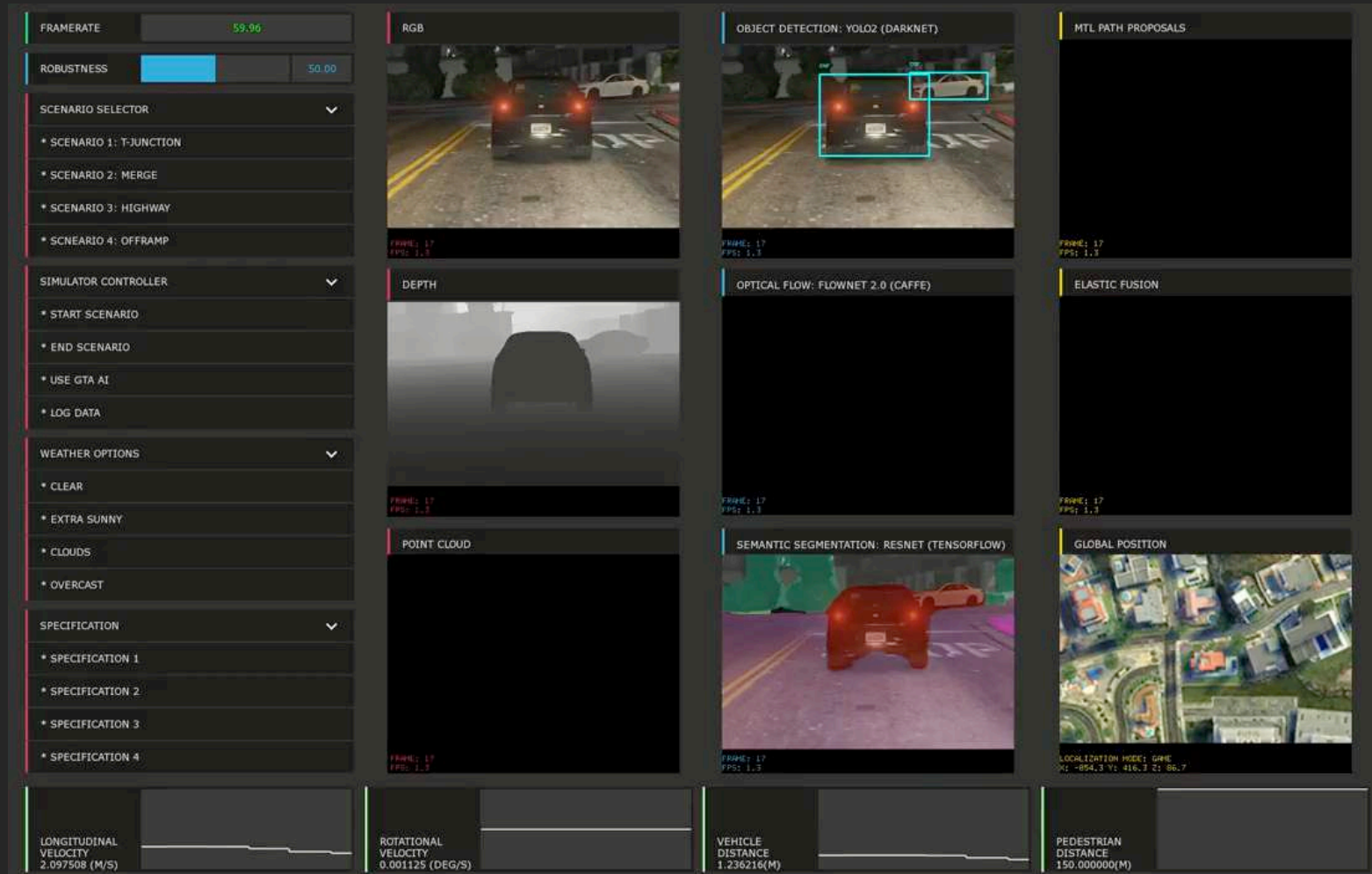
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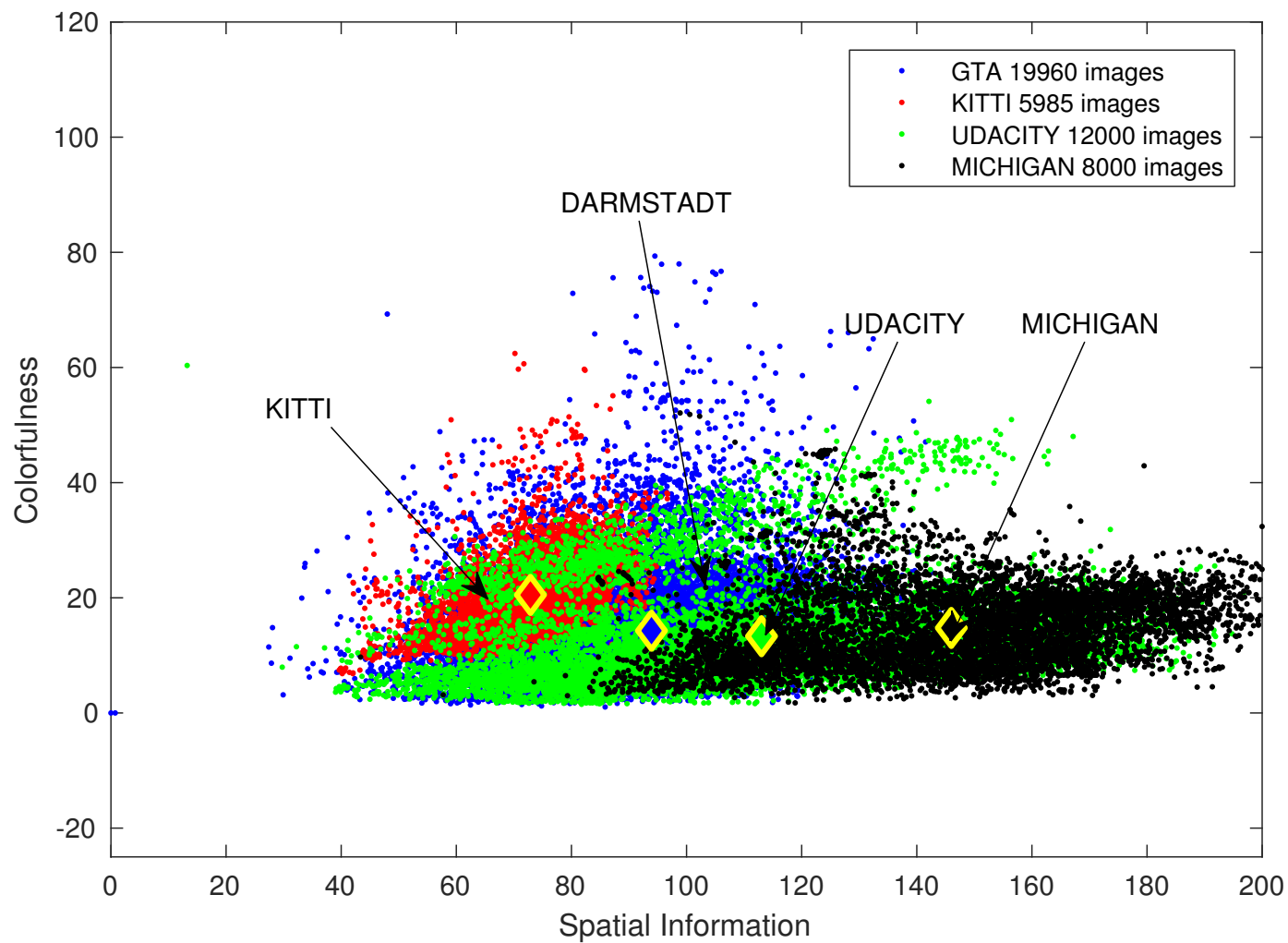
AVCAD Toolchain - Testing in Synthetic Worlds



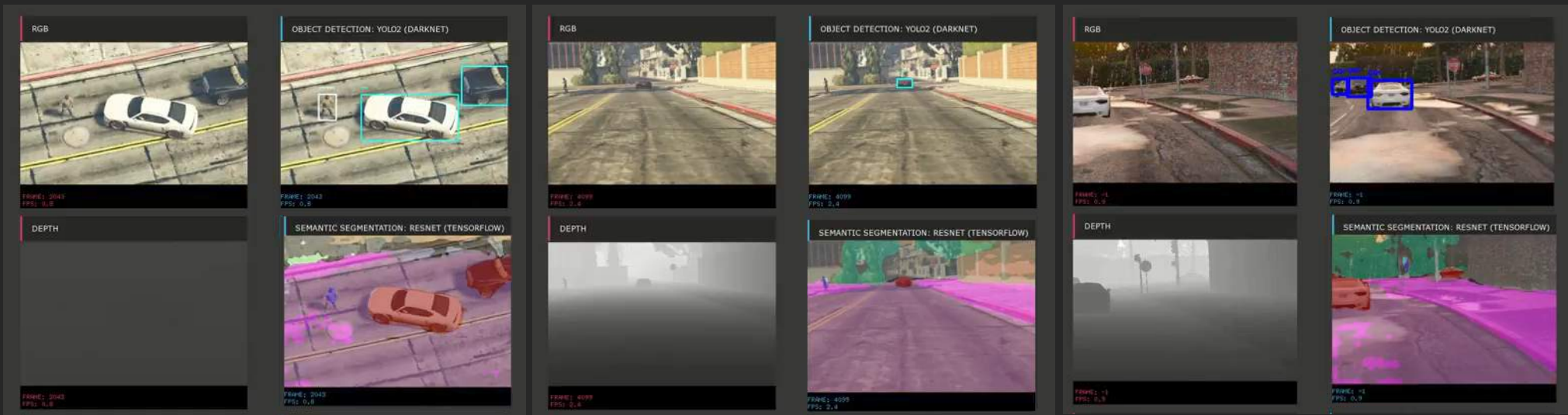
AVCAD: Robust Testing Interface



How to Compare Synthetic and Real Images

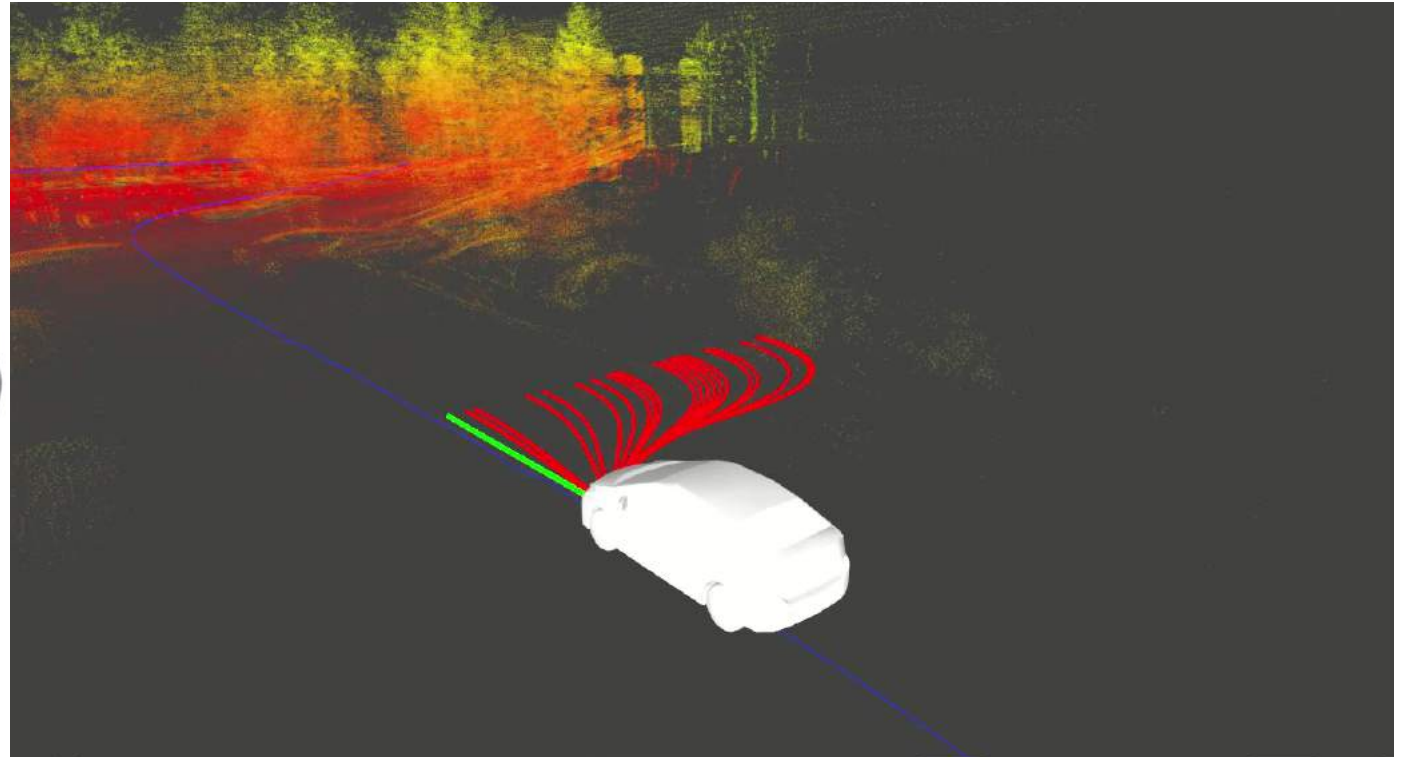


Next Steps: Deep Learning & Vision Based Perception



- Sometimes perception works perfectly, but the controller doesn't know how to handle the scenario, when does this happen, how often?
- Is the system still performant if a key sensor is unable to observe a traffic sign (i.e. it leaves the field of view)?
- How will weather affect the safety of the overall system?
- Modeling, robust testing, and verification give us the tools to address these questions in a meaningful way without building a fleet of vehicles.

Results: Implementation of Trajectory Generator



Integration with ROS and Autoware Open Source Vehicle OS

Use linear optimization to learn weights for a network of radial basis functions. Quickly compute a variety of trajectories in the configuration space of the robot in order to create local plans...

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F1/10 Autonomous Racing

**Development of Community Platforms for
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Autonomous Racing

1/10 the scale. 10X the fun!



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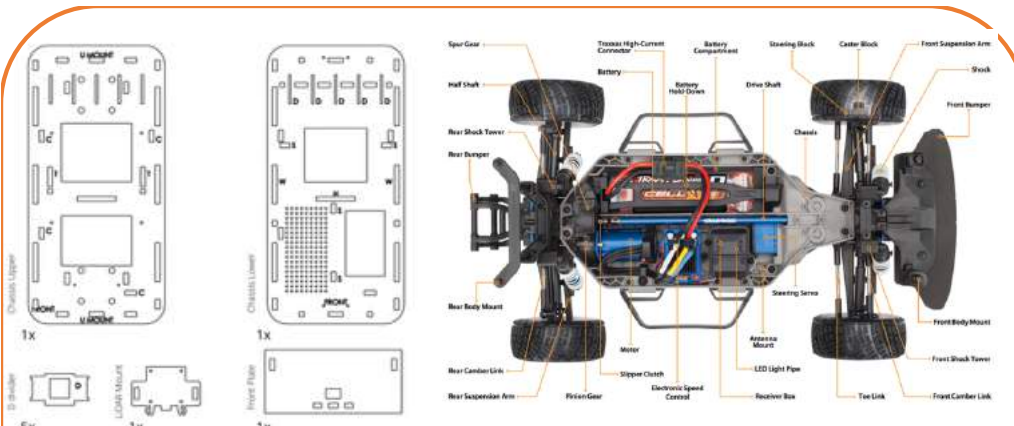


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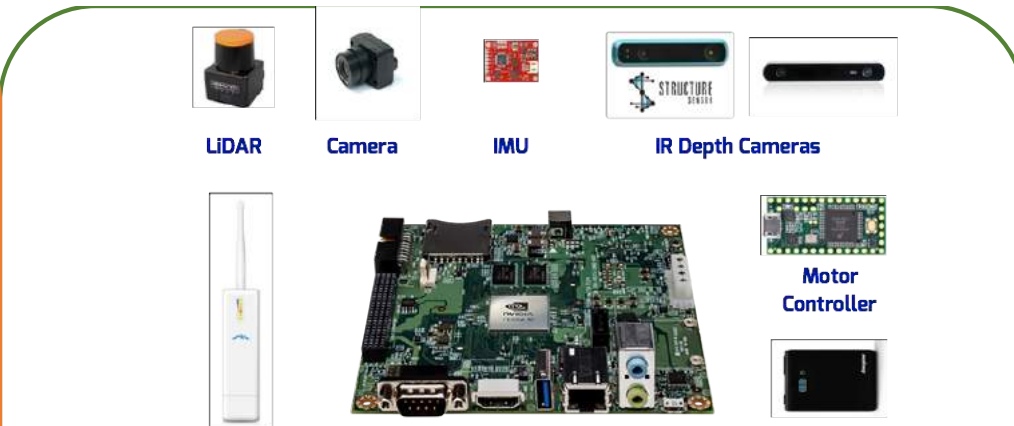


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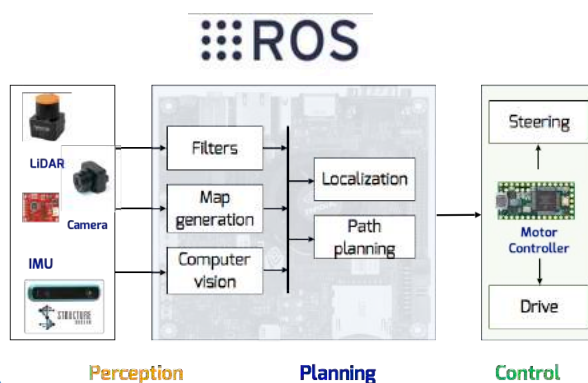


Chassis Design



Sensor Integration

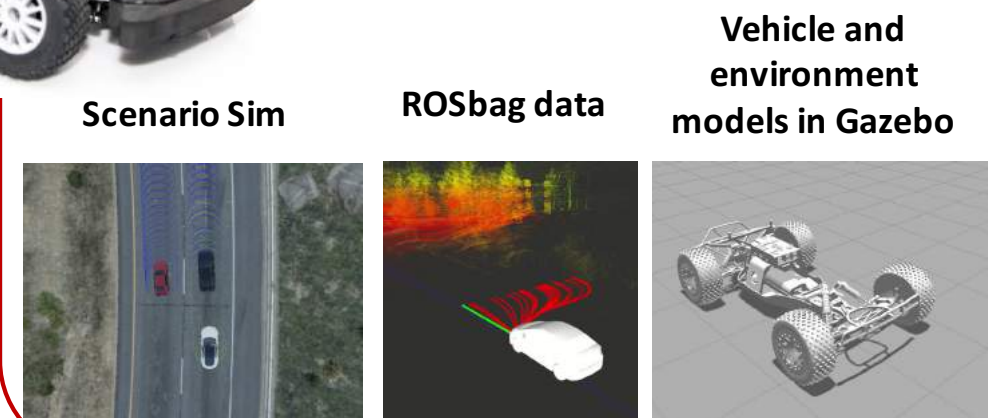
Software System Architecture



GPU accelerated libraries



Cloud-Based Simulation Tool



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Basic ROS commands: **roslaunch**

roslaunch executes a ROS node:

```
roslaunch <package_name> <node_name>
```

Example:

```
roslaunch hokuyo_node hokuyo_node
```

hokuyo_node

ROS Capabilities

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“Essentially all models are wrong, but some are useful”

- George E.P. Box

