

Table 1: Physics-based predicate set  $\Phi$  used to validate candidate causal edges. “Scope” indicates whether the predicate is evaluated within a single domain (intra) or across domains (cross). All constants ( $a_{\max}$ ,  $\theta_{\max}$ , etc.) are platform-specific and drawn from OEM specs.

ID	Predicate Formula / Rule	Primary DOF(s)	Scope	Explanation
$\phi_1$	$ a  \leq a_{\max}$	Longitudinal	Intra	Longitudinal acceleration must stay within feasible limits.
$\phi_2$	$ \dot{a}  \leq \dot{j}_{\max}$	Longitudinal	Intra	Jerk (rate of change of $a$ ) bounded for ride comfort.
$\phi_3$	$v \geq 0$	Longitudinal	Intra	Vehicle speed cannot be negative.
$\phi_4$	$ \theta  \leq \theta_{\max}$	Lateral	Intra	Steering angle within mechanical limits.
$\phi_5$	$ \dot{\theta}  \leq \dot{\theta}_{\max}$	Lateral	Intra	Steering-rate bounded by EPS motor capability.
$\phi_6$	$P \leq P_{\max}$	Power-train	Intra	Instantaneous propulsion power capped by inverter capacity.
$\phi_7$	$I_{\text{bat}} \leq I_{\max}$	Energy	Intra	HV-battery current below safety limit.
$\phi_8$	$T_{\text{brake}} \leq T_{\max}$	Longitudinal	Intra	Brake torque must not exceed system rating.
$\phi_9$	$d_{\text{brake}} \geq \frac{v^2}{2\mu g}$	Longitudinal	Intra	Stopping distance obeys physics, given road friction $\mu$ .
$\phi_{10}$	CAN brake cmd $\rightarrow$ torque drop $\leq 150$ ms	Long.+Power	Cross	Electronic brake command must manifest in power-train quickly.
$\phi_{11}$	Steering change $> 15^\circ \Rightarrow$ torque cut $\leq 150$ ms	Lat.+Power	Cross	Ensures lateral manoeuvres are reflected in propulsion load.
$\phi_{12}$	OTA start (Eth) $\Rightarrow$ Host flash log $\leq 2$ s	Energy	Cross	Firmware flashing must be logged promptly on host.
$\phi_{13}$	Host diag fault $\Rightarrow$ CAN DTC within 1 s	Long./Lat.	Cross	Host-detected fault must propagate to CAN diagnostics quickly.
$\phi_{14}$	Eth throttle pkt $\Rightarrow$ CAN rpm rise $\leq 500$ ms	Power	Cross	Throttle over Ethernet must appear in CAN engine-RPM frames.