Safe System Approach

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3. CONSIDERS that the level of road fatalities and injuries remain unacceptably high and STRESSES the importance of adapting motorways, roads, streets and vehicles to human capacity; thereby

AIMING towards the long- term "zero-vision_{" for}

European road transport safety;

(9) By 2050, move close to zero fatalities in road transport. In line with this goal, the EU aims at halving road casualties by 2020. Make sure that the EU is a world leader in safety and security of transport in all modes of transport.

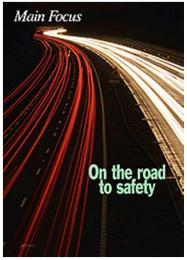
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Road traffic safety (RTS) management systems – Requirements with guidance for use

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Crash injury is largely predictable and largely preventable. It is a problem amenable to rational analysis and remedy.

- Road safety policy must be based on a sound analysis and interpretation of data, rather than on anecdote.
- Since human error in complex traffic systems cannot be eliminated entirely, environmental solutions (including the design of roads and of vehicles) must help in making road traffic systems safer.
- The vulnerability of the human body should be a limiting design factor for traffic systems, i.e. for vehicle and road design, and for setting speed limits.

From the WHO World report on road traffic injury prevention 2004 on the fundamentals

Common driving errors and common pedestrian behavior should not lead to death and serious injury —the traffic system should help users to cope with increasingly demanding conditions

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9. CONSIDERS that infrastructure, vehicles and road users should be seen as a system in which human error and inappropriate behavior should always be taken into account. Infrastructure and

vehicles should be designed as to prevent and limit consequences of such failures;

15. ENCOURAGES a strong cooperation between the bodies responsible for the infrastructure in the Member States and the vehicle industry in order to support the

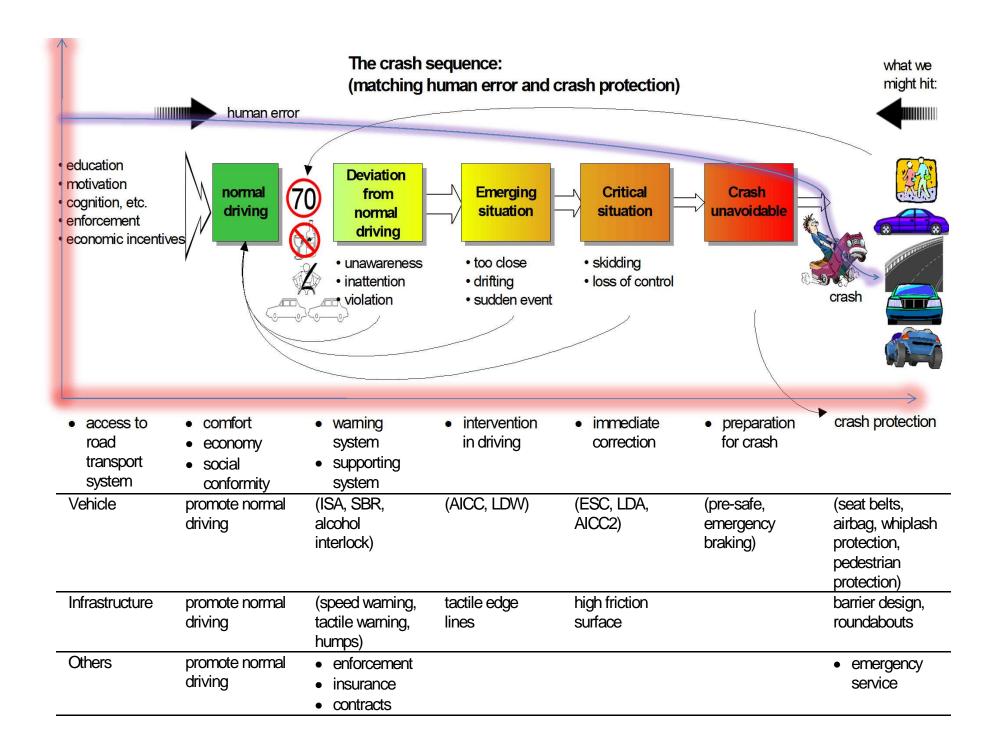
deployment of promising in-vehicle safety systems that can contribute to save lives on the European roadnetwork. New

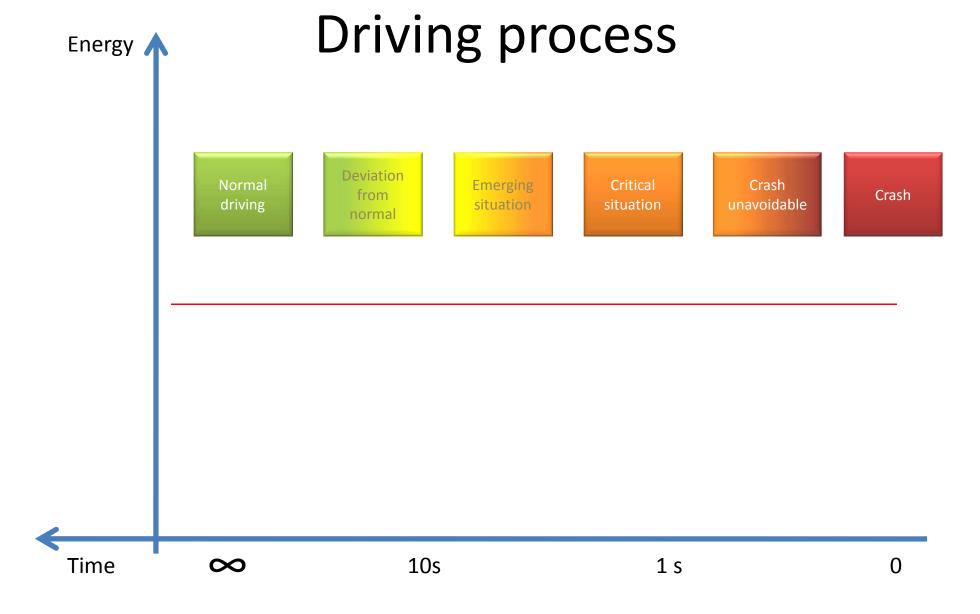
technical solutions of which the effect is proven can contribute to make it possible to deal with

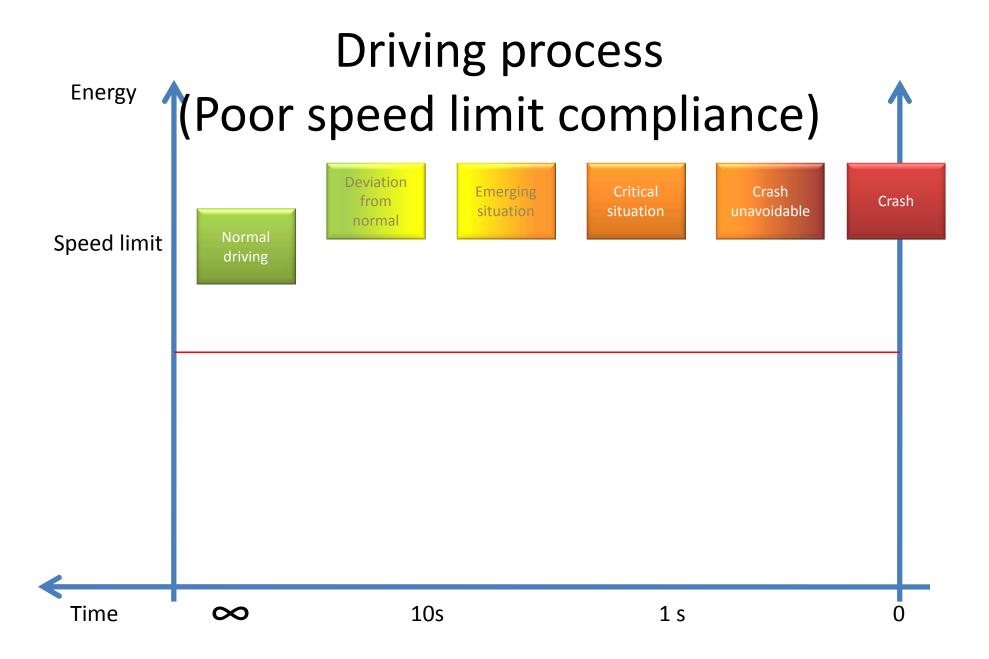
problems like speeding and impaired driving (such as driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs and fatigue);

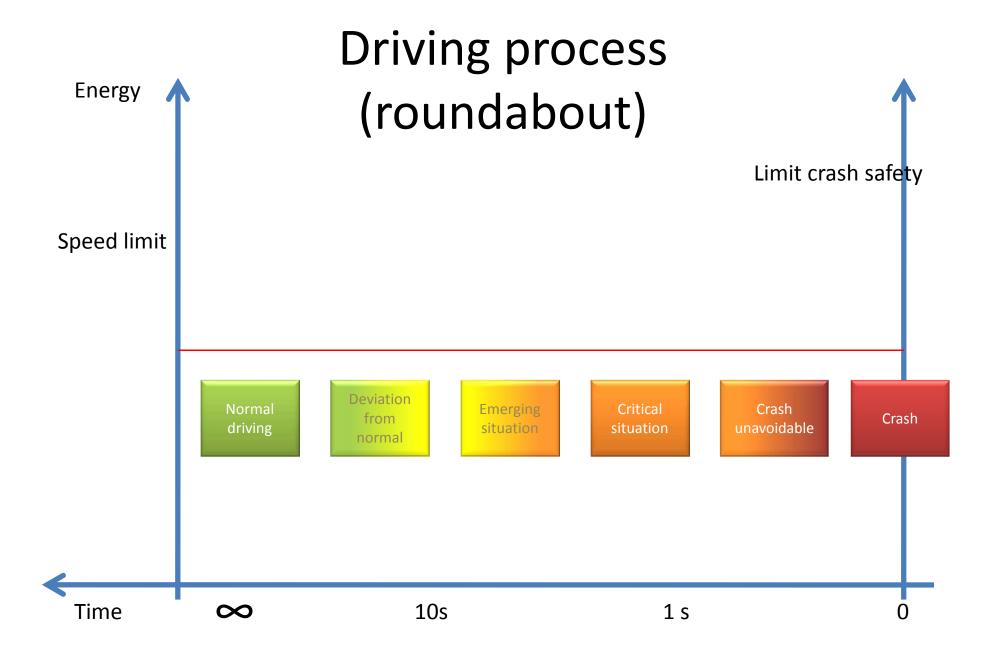
In essence two imperatives in one basic task

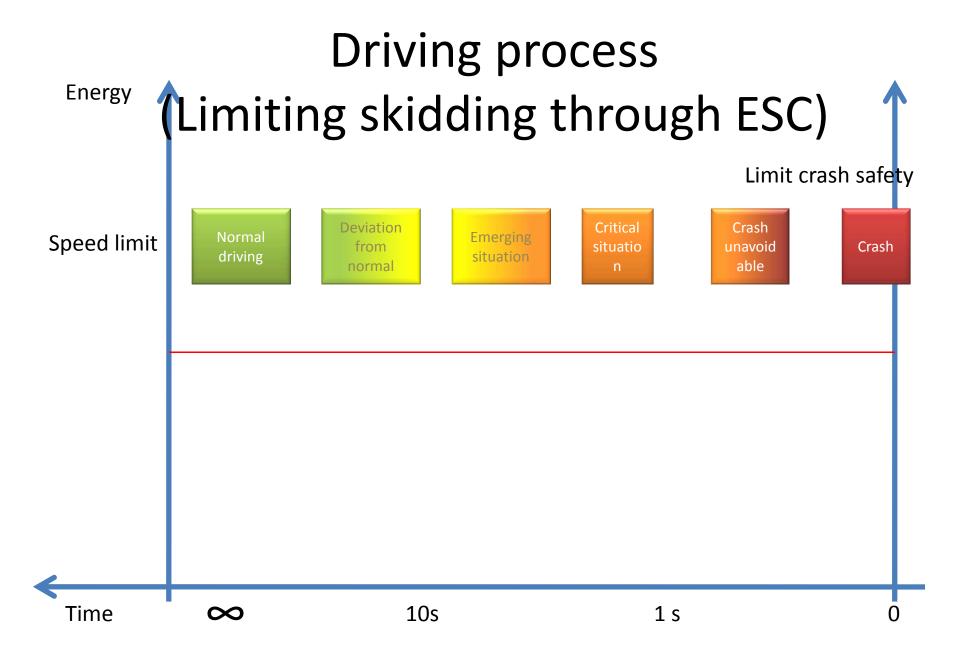
Build a chain of barriers that can accommodate the errors not to exceed human tolerance

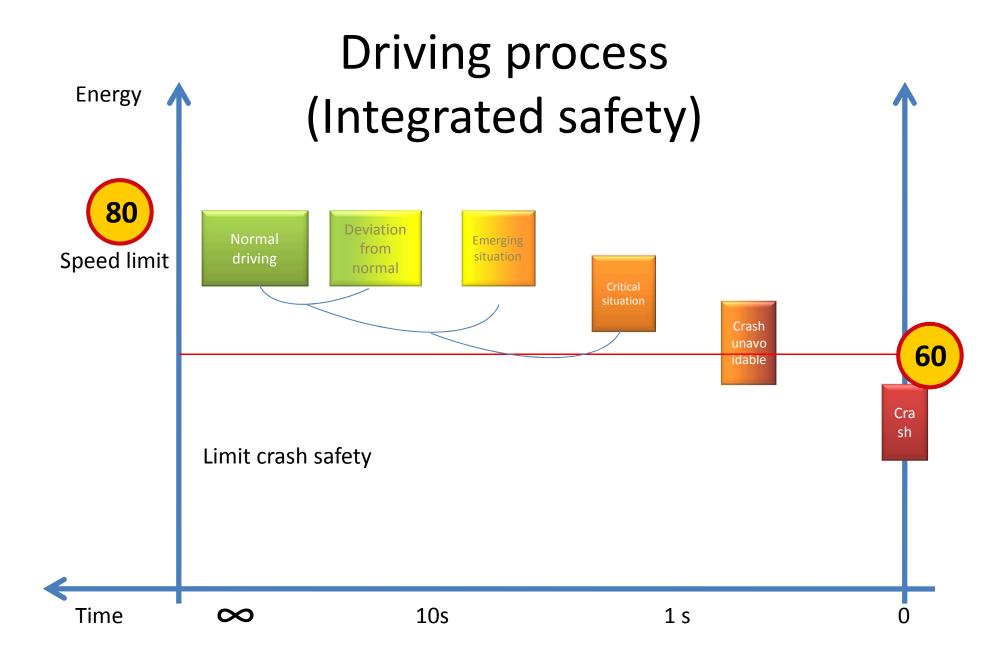












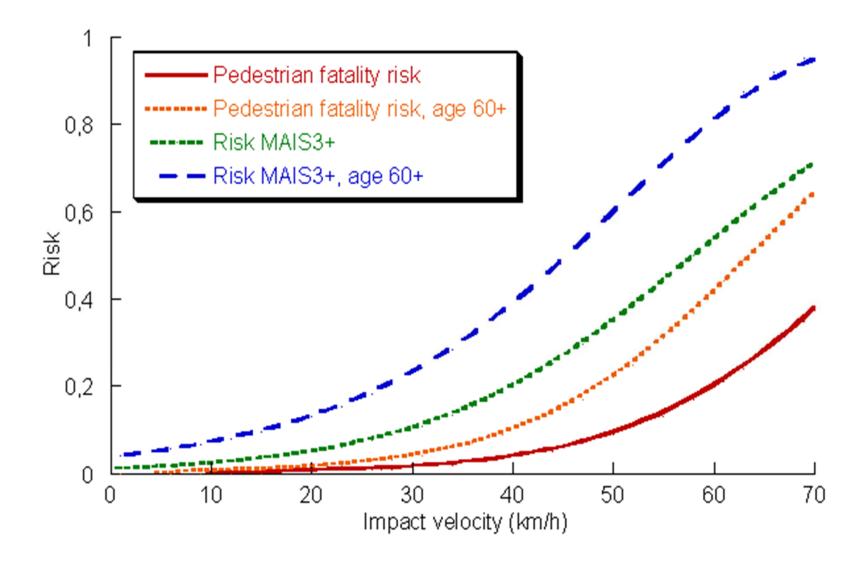
Safety as a function of rules, road design, driver behaviour, car design and advanced technology

More drivers give way to pedestrians at lower speeds

Social interaction is better at low speeds

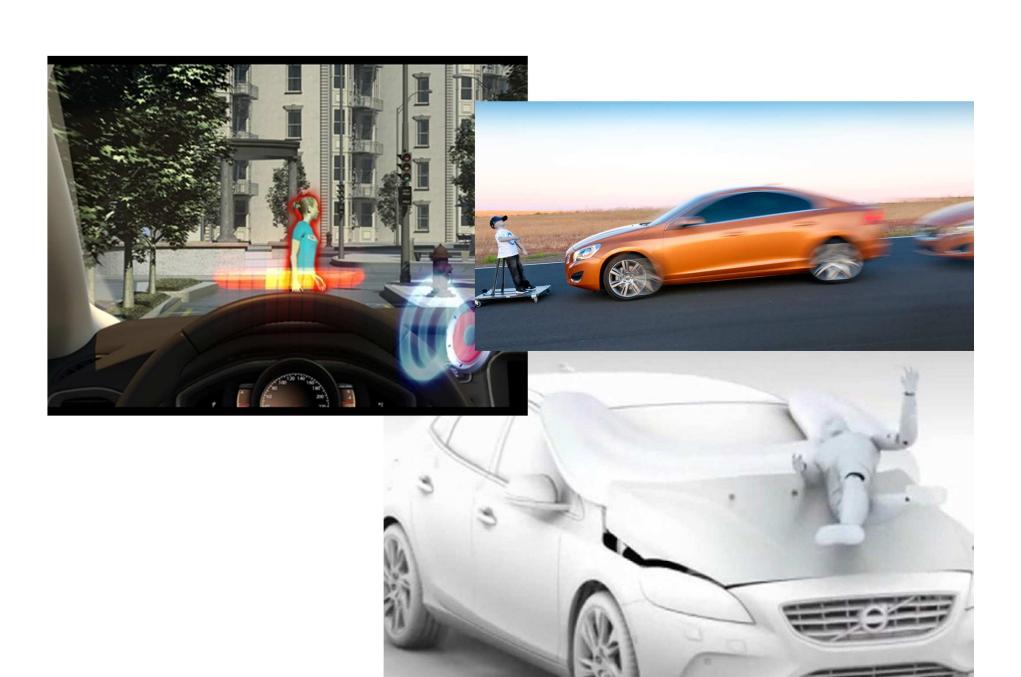
Injury risk and severity is strongly related to speed at impact

The risk of injury MAIS 3+, and fatality, related to impact velocity, for different age groups. From Stigson and Kullgren 2010.



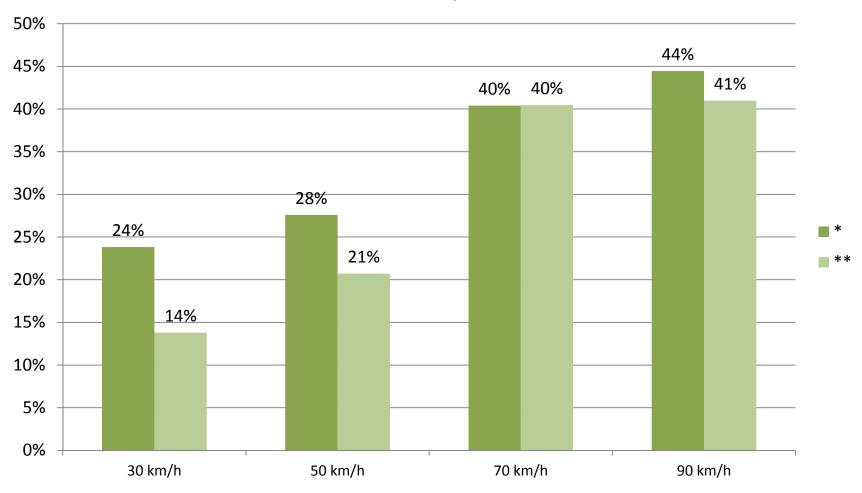






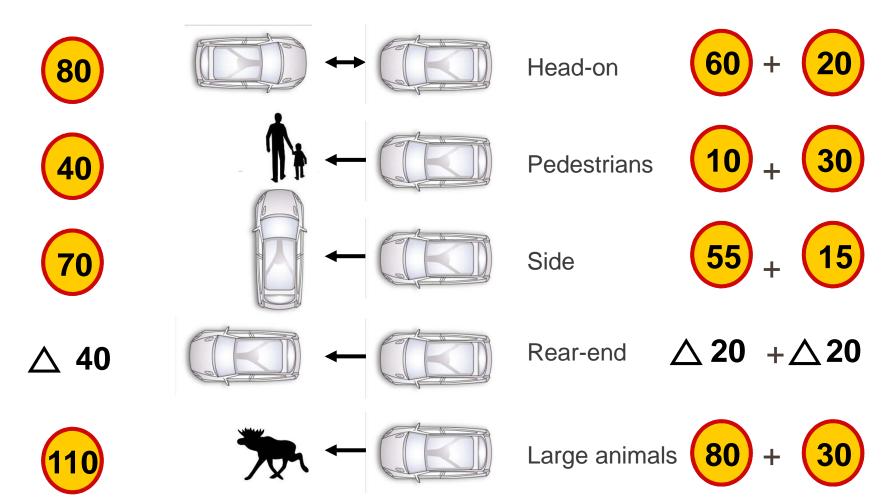
Comparison of mrsc in one and two star cars in different speed limits

MRSC 5 %+, n=542



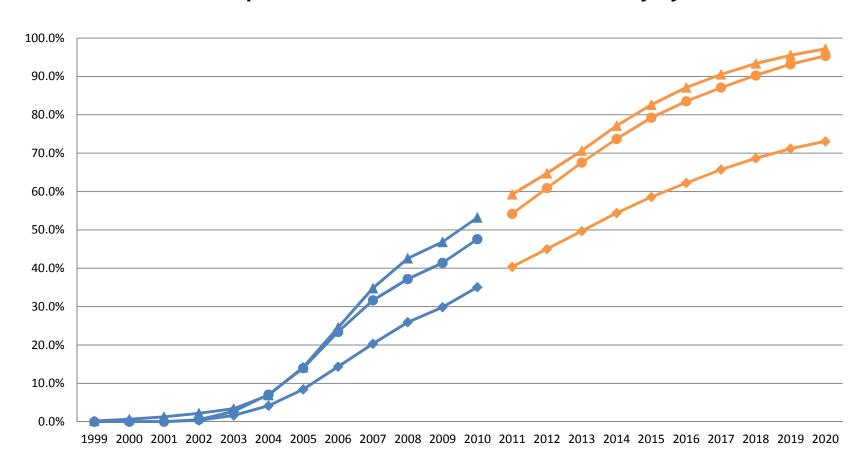
Shared responsibility

Passive Active



Safe cars

Proportion of traffic flow with certain safety systems



SUMMARY

- Traffic safety is an integrated part of a sustainable transport system, and must react to the changes
- The expectations from society, industry and consumers is a safe system in the (quite near) future
- Integrated safety, in a system's perspective, is the key to elimination of health losses, and biomechanics will remain the limiting factor!

SUMMARY

- It is more probably more important to define and regulate the pre-conditions of the system than to divide the responsibilities post impact
- It is more important to define what is normal driving on a minimum requirement level than to regulate in every situation what the driver must do
- In an ideal world, regulations support integrated safety and make it work.

SUMMARY

- Error and violation must be handled separately throughout the whole process of regulation
- Norms and rules must also be treated as two separate issues – only in the perfect world they match

Thank you for the attention