

*Automotive Sensors*

# Basics of Sensor

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# Definition of automotive sensor

# What is Sensor?

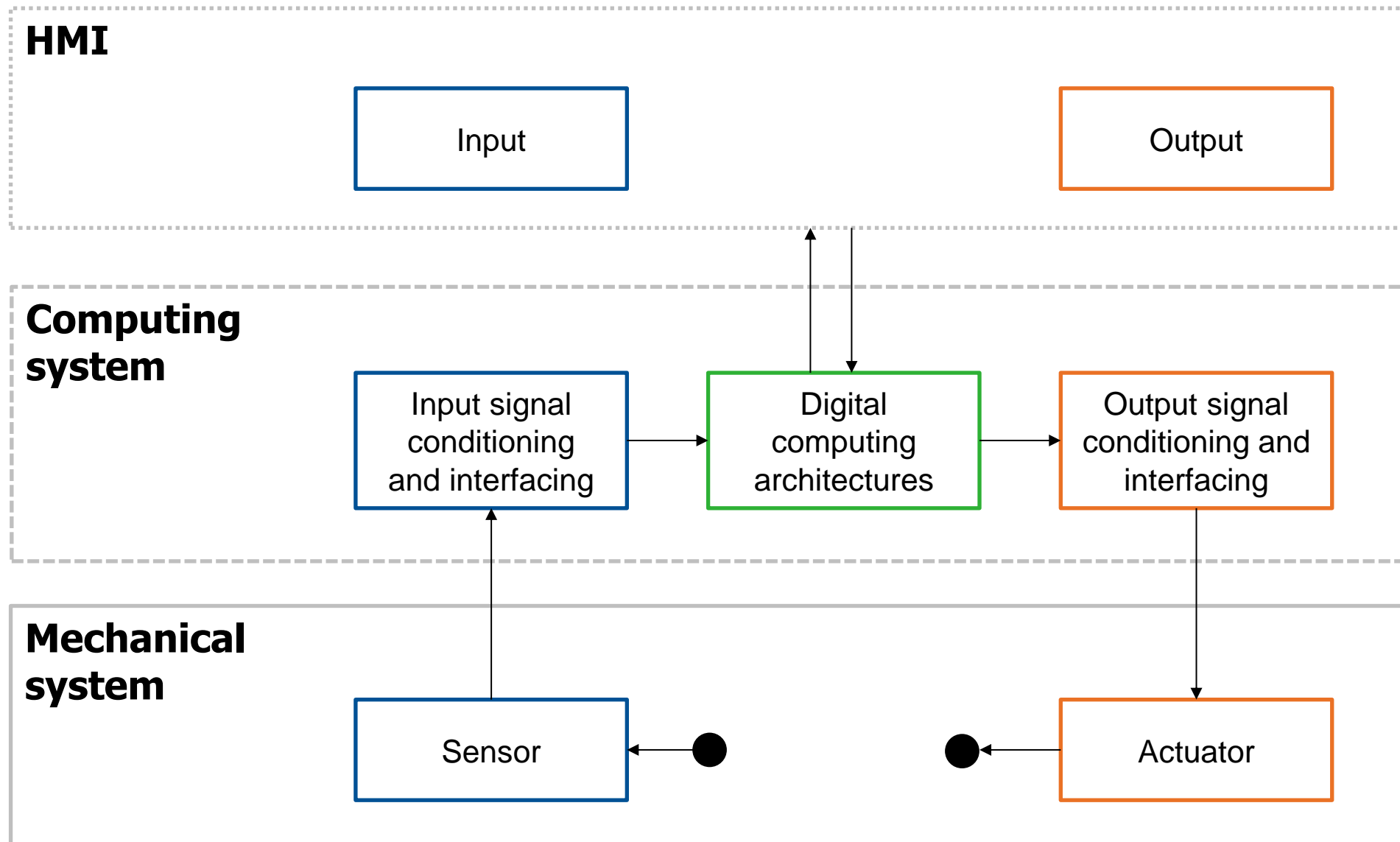
■ A device that detects  from a measurement objects and converts them into

## ■ Purpose of sensor

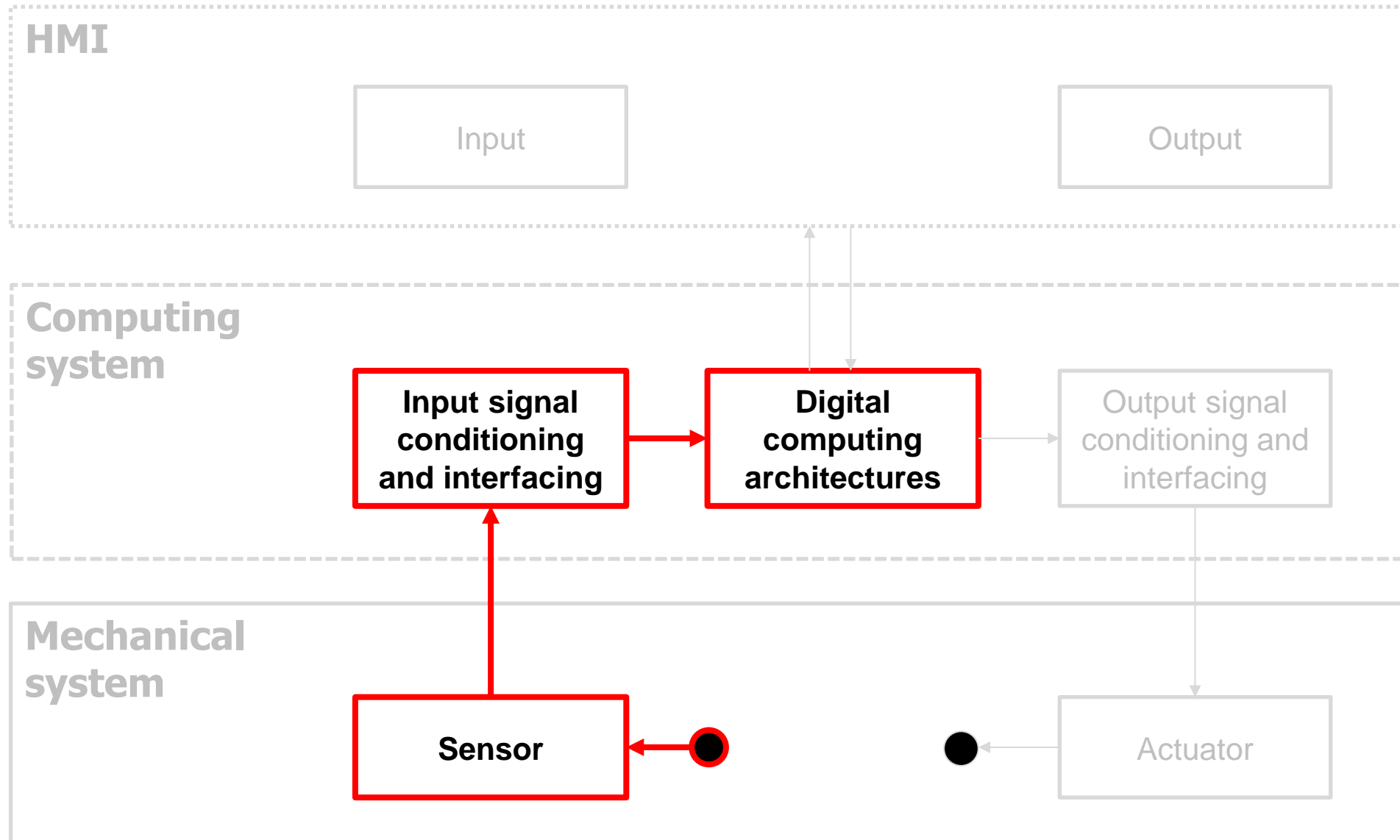
- ▶ Replace human sensory functions with other controllable signals.
- ▶ In addition, sensors allow us to detect more than just our sense organs.

Five senses	Sight	Hearing	Smell	Taste	Touch
<b>As behavior</b>	See the thing Feel the light	Listen the sound Feel the shaking Take the balance	Smell the thing	Feel the taste	By touching, feel the heat, force, or texture
<b>Sensory organ as human</b>	Eye 	Ear 	Nose 	Tongue 	Skin 
<b>Typical sensors as machinery</b>	Image sensor Light intensity sensor	Acoustic sensor Ultrasonic sensor	Gas component sensor	Liquid component sensor	Pressure sensor Temperature sensor Humidity sensor Displacement sensor

# Structure of Automotive Systems

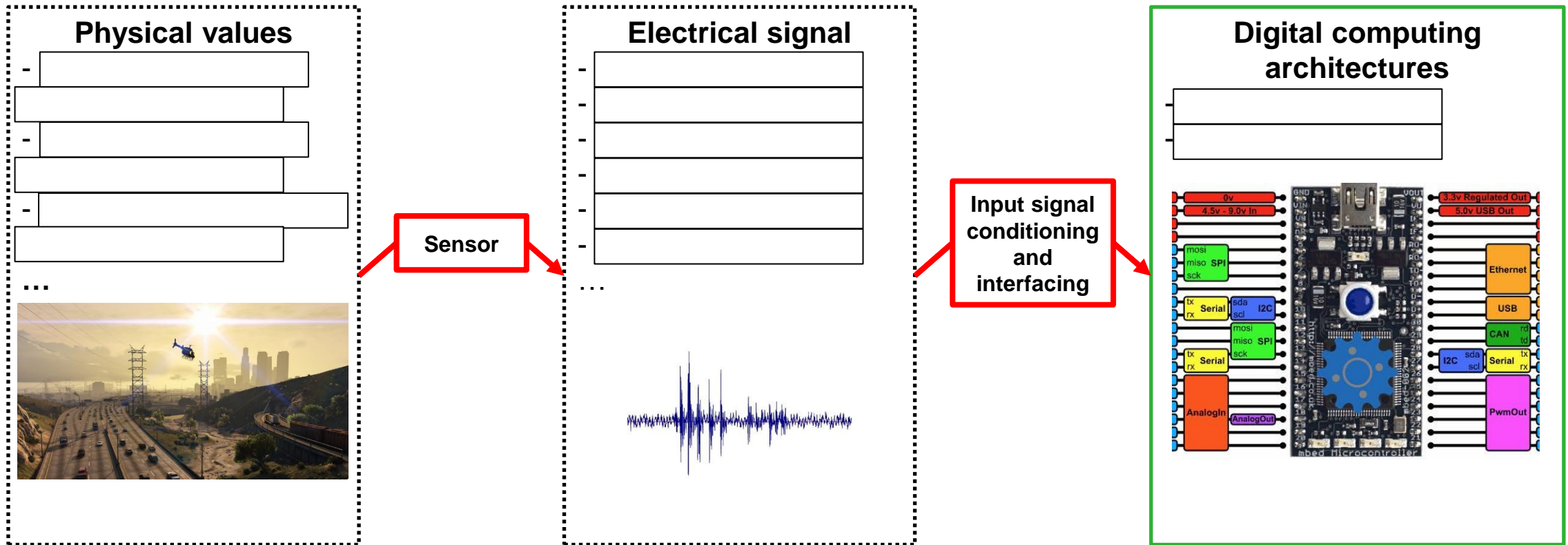


# Automotive Sensors



# Automotive Electronic Sensors

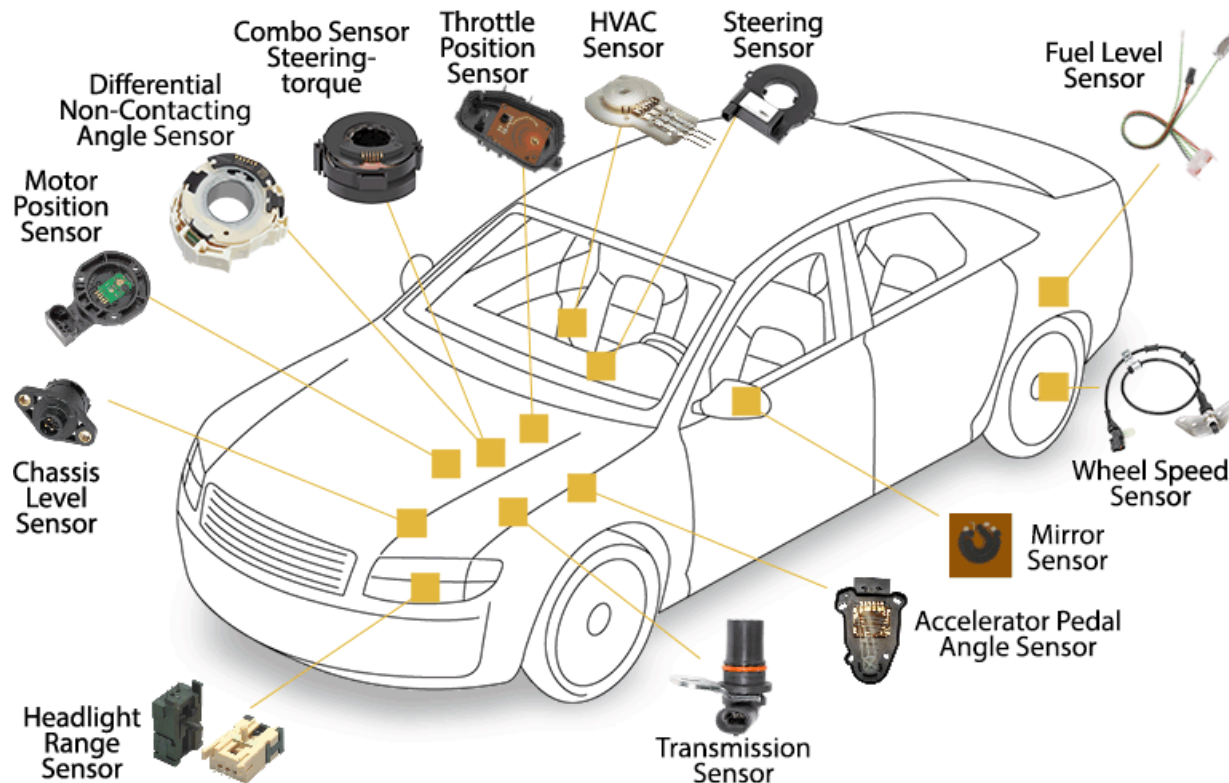
- **Measurement device for monitoring and control of mechatronics system.**
  - ▶ Electronics sensor: changes “real world” parameter into “electrical signal”.
  - ▶ Signal conditioning and interfacing converts electrical signal into analog or digital values.



# Automotive Sensors – Past

## ■ Use of sensors is limited.

- ▶ Used to detect and monitor the status of the vehicle.
- ▶ Mainly used to measure pressure, speed, engine temperature, etc.
- ▶ Most parts consisted only of mechanical parts and wires.

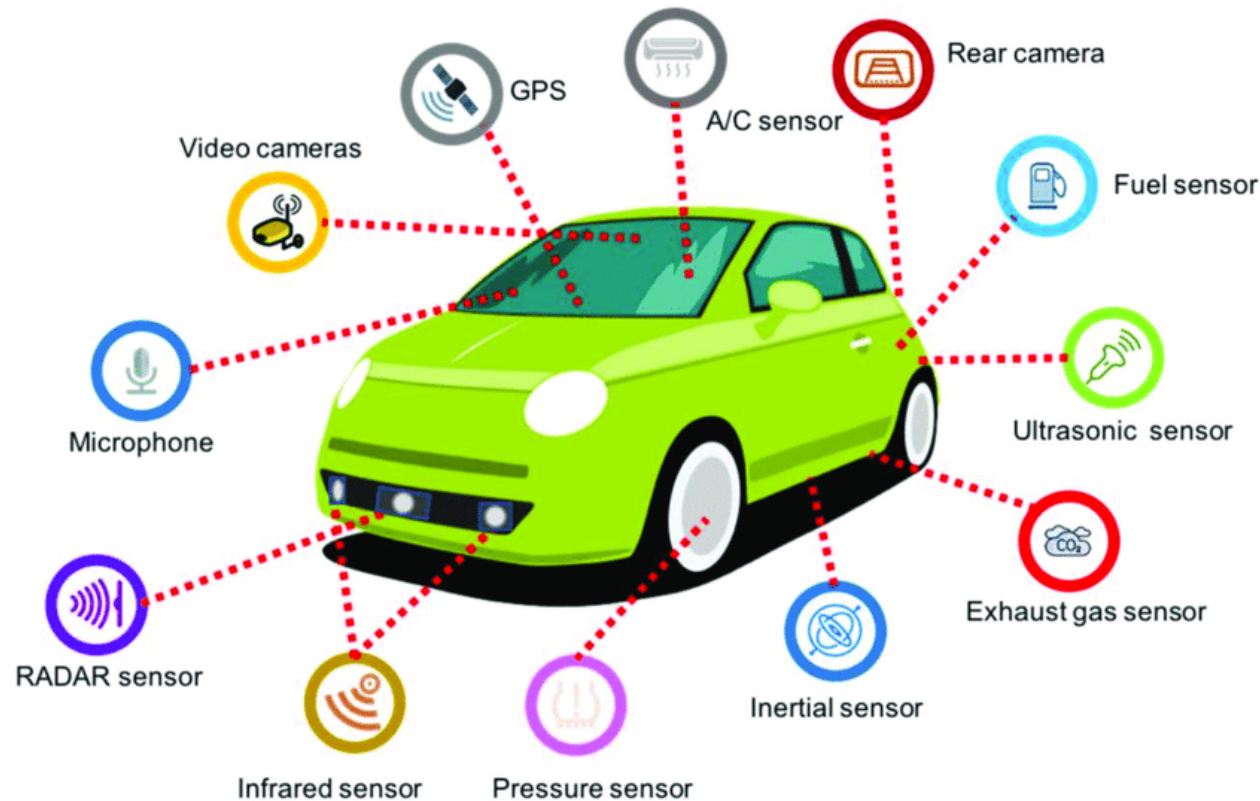




# Automotive Sensors – Present & Future

## ■ Sensors are used in various area.

- ▶ Applied for driving safety, fuel efficiency, vehicle condition monitoring, etc.
- ▶ Increasing use of electronic controllers.
- ▶ Has more advanced data processing and communication capabilities.

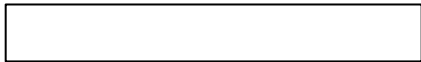


# Measurement methods

# Passive vs. Active



- ▶ Outputs electrical signals directly in response to external stimuli.
- ▶ **Pros:** Does not require any additional energy source & **only a receiver needed.**
- ▶ **Cons:** Being vulnerable to noise.



- ▶ Sends a random signal and detects it by analyzing the reflected signal.
- ▶ **Pros:** High measurement accuracy.
- ▶ **Cons:** Requiring additional power and circuit.



Passive Sensing



Active Sensing

# Direct vs. Indirect



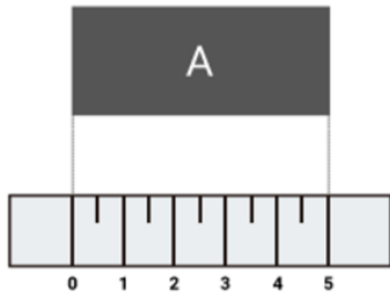
- ▶ Compare the same kind of reference quantity with the quantity you want to measure.



- ▶ Determining the quantity of a target by measuring another quantity that has a certain relationship with the quantity to be measured.

## Direct measurement

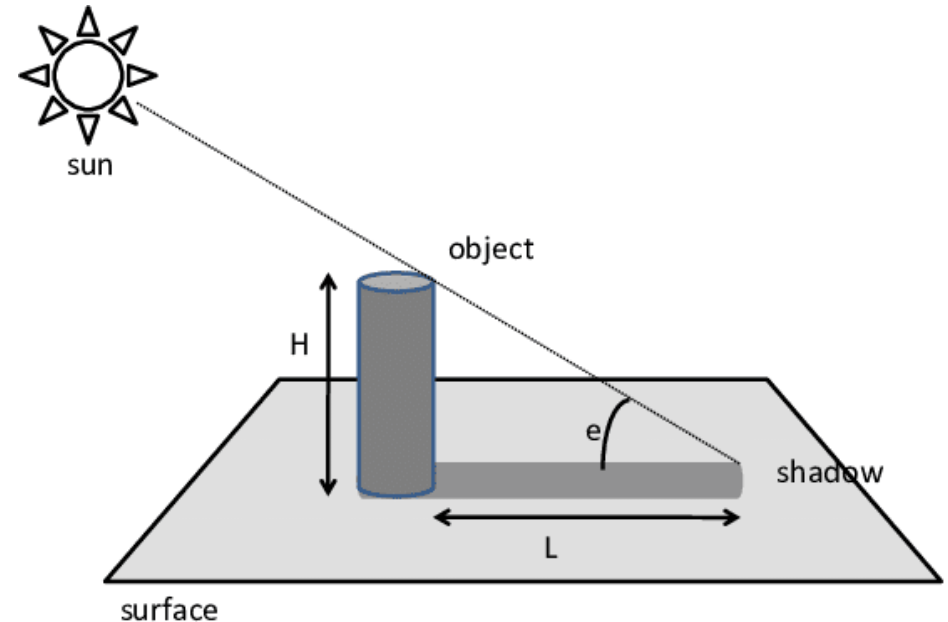
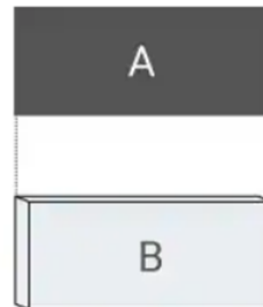
Measurement is performed using the scale of the measuring instrument.



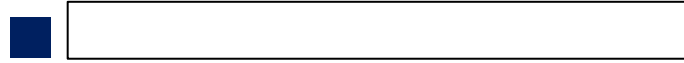
A : Target B : Gauge block

## Indirect measurement

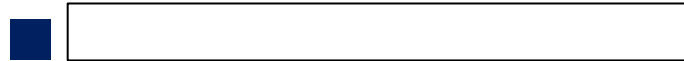
Comparison with the reference device



# Absolute vs. Relative



- ▶ To measure the measurement that is an absolute value itself.



- ▶ To measure the measurement that is the relative value from reference quantity.



**Absolute measurement**



**Relative measurement**

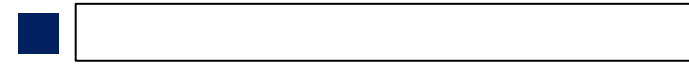
# Example of Absolute and Relative Measurement

## ■ Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC)

- ▶ Maintain the safe **relative** distance for the front vehicle.
- ▶ Time gap control
  - Time gap = **Relative** distance / **Absolute** vehicle speed



# Deflection vs. Null



- ▶ A method of measurement that compares with the scale.



- ▶ A method of measurement that get the value when it is balanced compared to the reference value by adjusting the reference size.

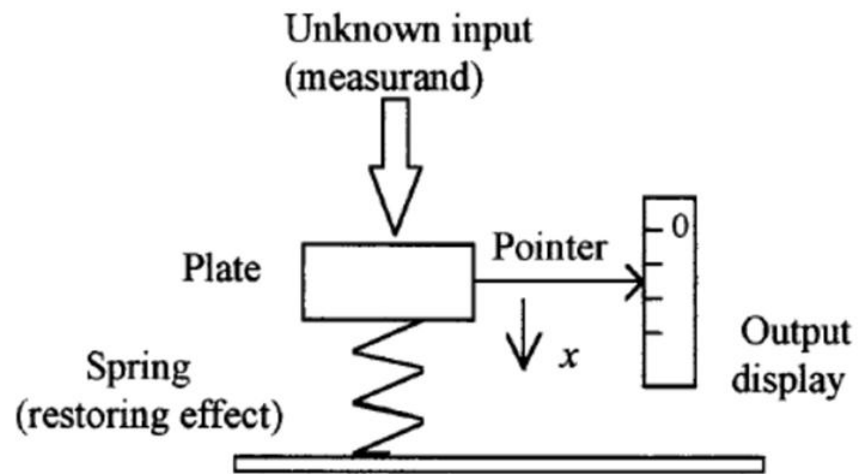


Figure: A deflection instrument (spring scale in this case) requires input from only one source

## Deflection method

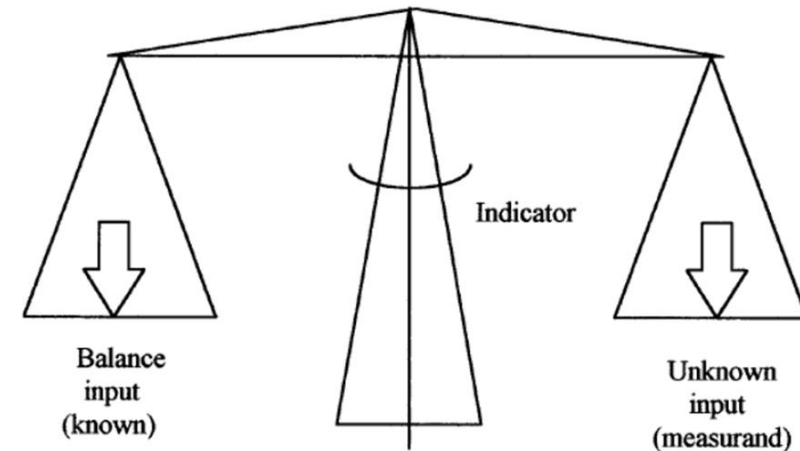


Figure: An equal arm balance scale (The measurand and the known quantities balanced one another in a null instrument)

## Null method

# Sensor performance and characteristics



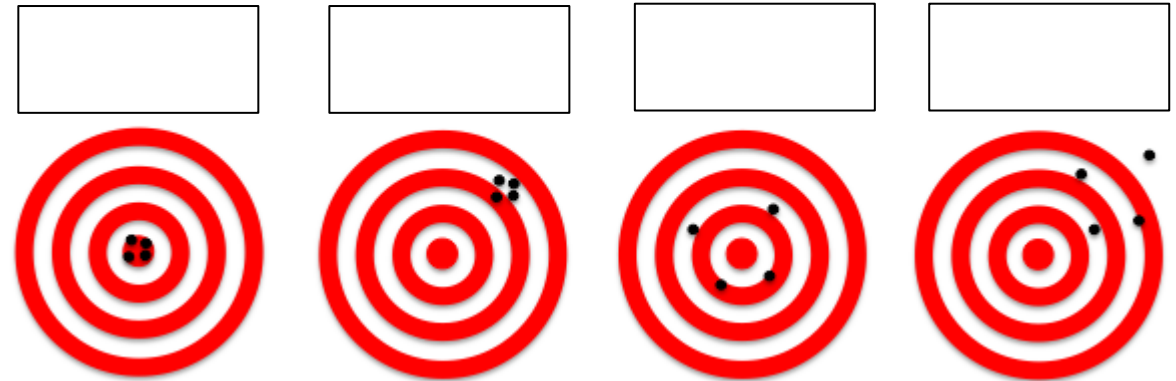
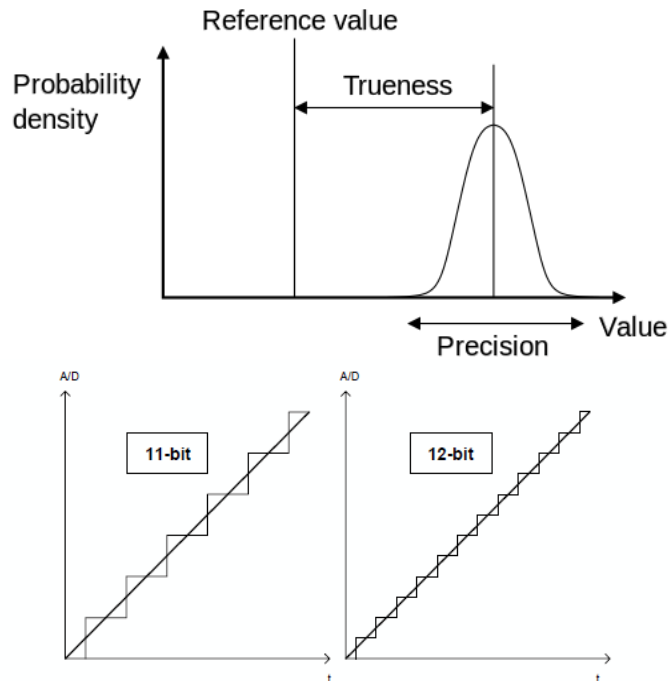
# Accuracy, Precision, Resolution

## ■ Accuracy and precision

- ▶  is used to describe the closeness of a measurement to the true value.
- ▶  is the degree to which repeated measurements under unchanged conditions show the same results.



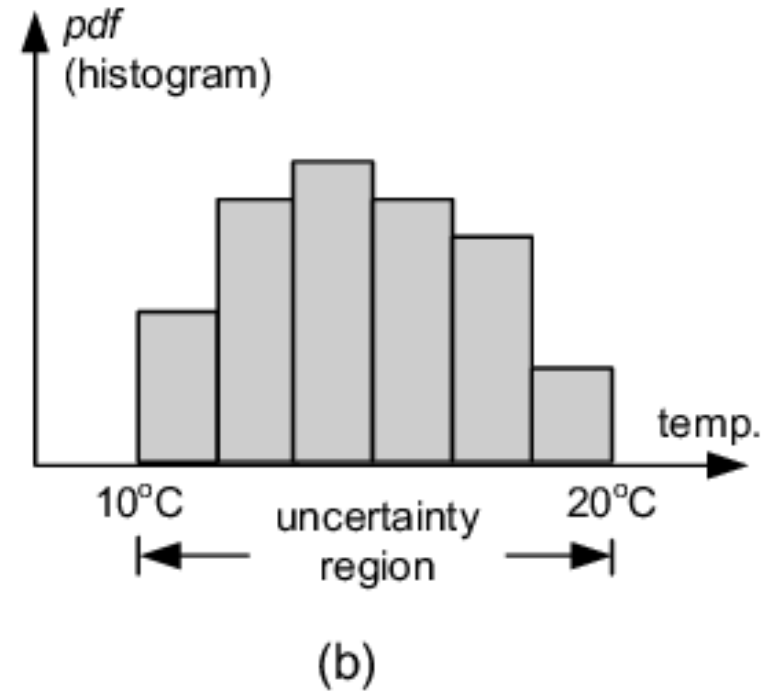
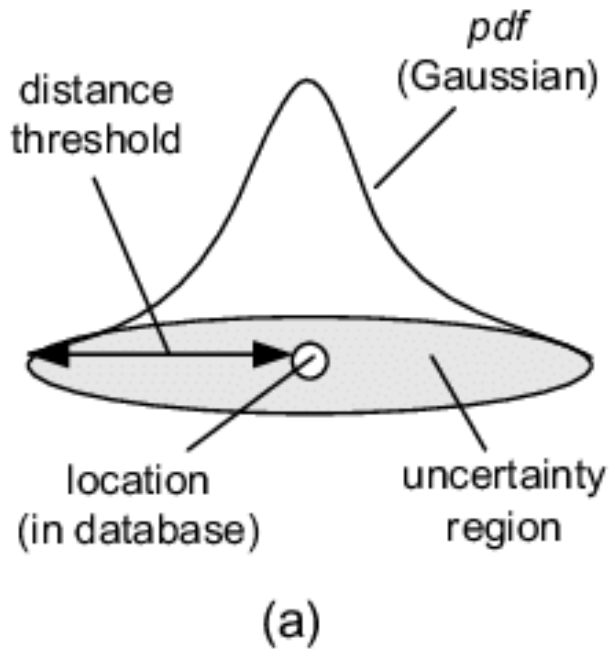
- ▶ **Resolution** refers to the smallest change in the measured variable that can be detected by the sensor.



Reference: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accuracy\\_and\\_precision](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accuracy_and_precision)

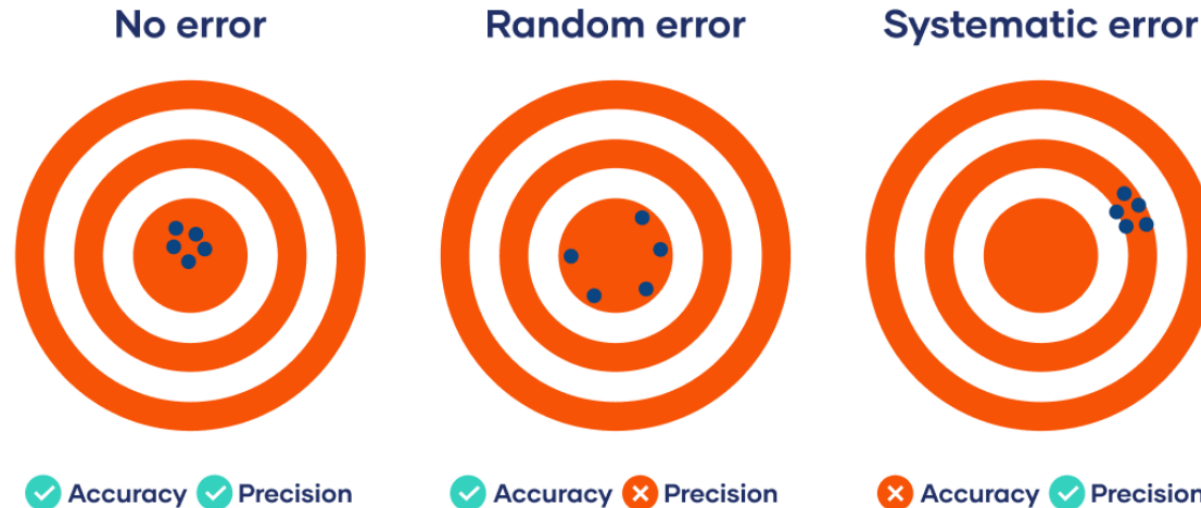
# Uncertainty

- The degree of difference between the sensor measurement and the actual value.
- The greater the difference between the measured value and the true value, the greater the uncertainty.



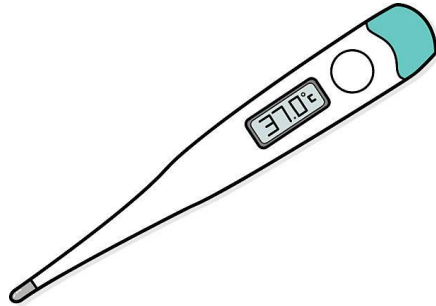
# Elements of Uncertainty

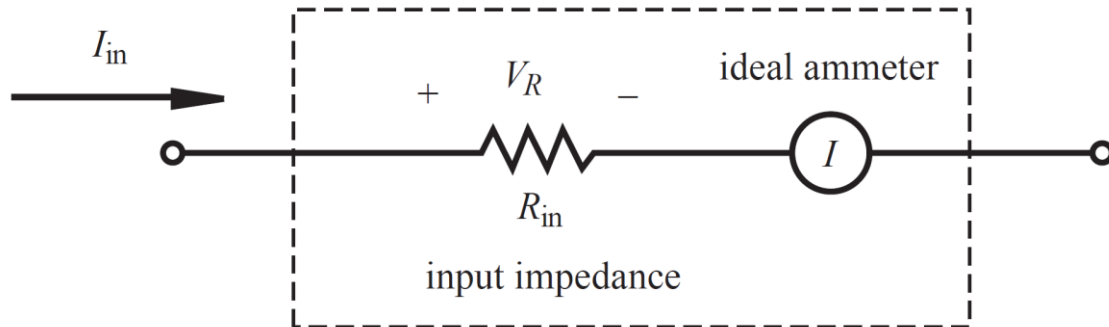
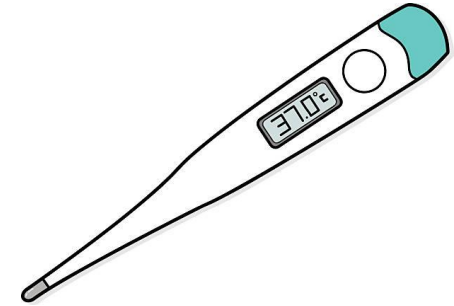
- - ▶ Errors due to random fluctuations.
  - ▶ Measurements vary erratically over time.
  - ▶ Statistical averaging of multiple measurements reduces the effect of random error.
- - ▶ Corrects errors caused by sensor manufacturing process, installation location, etc.
  - ▶ May appear consistently under certain conditions, requiring calibration or compensation.



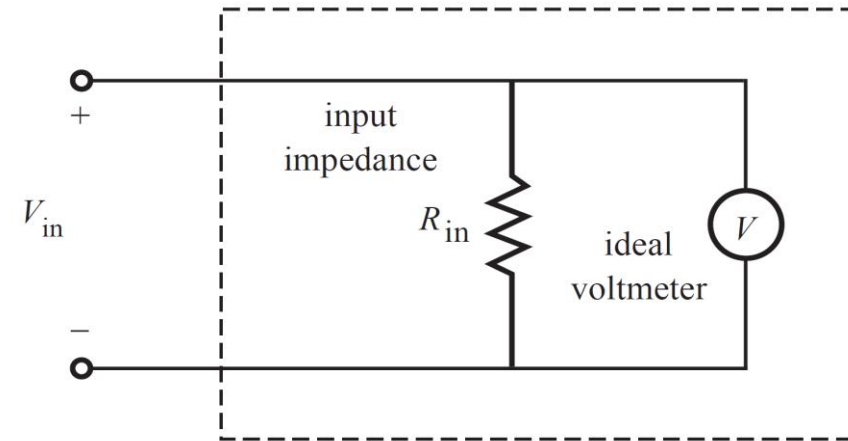
# Loading Error











Real ammeter with input impedance.



Real voltmeter with input impedance.

# Classification Performance & Confusion Matrix

- refers to the sensor's ability to accurately identify and categorize objects in the surrounding environment.
- is a table used to evaluate performance in classification problems.
  - ▶ 
    - **Correctly** predicted the actual **True** as **True**.
  - ▶ 
    - **Incorrectly** predicted the actual **False** as **True**.
  - ▶ 
    - **Incorrectly** predicted the actual **True** as **False**.
  - ▶ 
    - **Correctly** predicted the actual **False** as **False**.

		PREDICTIVE VALUES	
		POSITIVE (CAT)	NEGATIVE (DOG)
ACTUAL VALUES	POSITIVE (CAT)	TRUE POSITIVE  <b>3</b>	FALSE NEGATIVE  <b>1</b> TYPE II ERROR
	NEGATIVE (DOG)	FALSE POSITIVE  <b>2</b> TYPE I ERROR	TRUE NEGATIVE  <b>4</b>

# Accuracy, Precision, Recall

- **Accuracy:** The proportion of correct predictions among the total number of observations.
- **Precision:** The proportion of actual positives among the observations predicted as positive.
- **Recall:** The proportion of observations that were predicted as positive among the actual positive observations.

		Actual	
		Positive	Negative
Predicted	Positive	TP	FP
	Negative	FN	TN

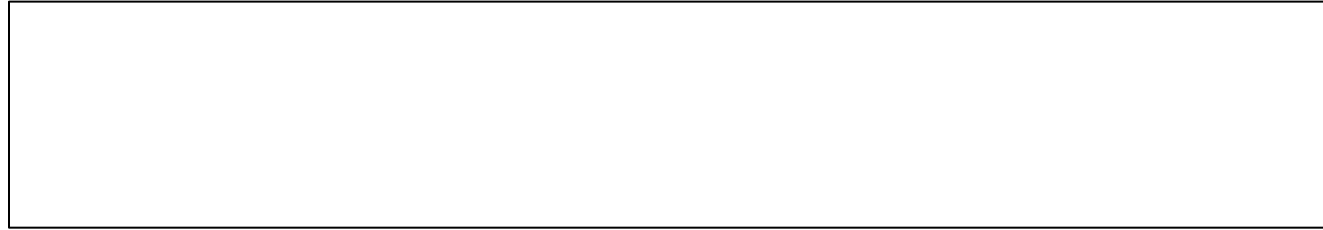
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# F1 Score

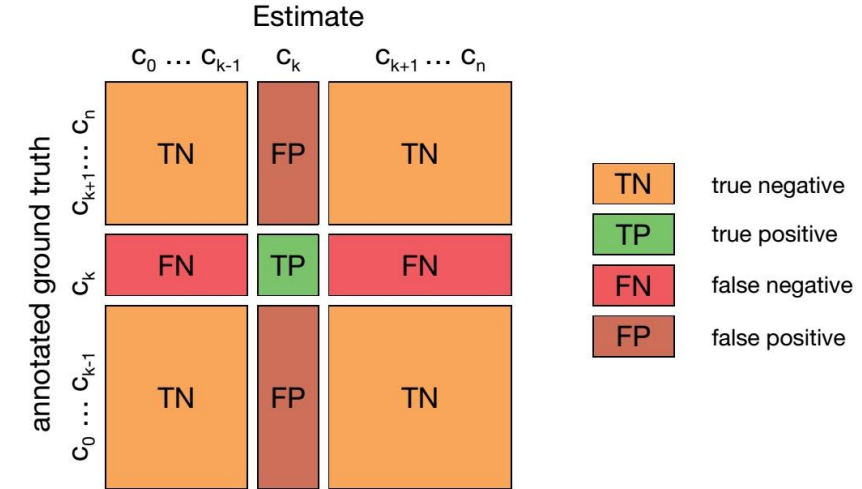
## F1 score

- ▶ The harmonic mean of  and .
- ▶ Advantageous when considering both metrics simultaneously.



## Example

True Class	airplane	923	4	21	8	4	1	5	5	23	6
	automobile	5	972	2					1	5	15
	bird	26	2	892	30	13	8	17	5	4	3
	cat	12	4	32	826	24	48	30	12	5	7
	deer	5	1	28	24	898	13	14	14	2	1
	dog	7	2	28	111	18	801	13	17		3
	frog	5		16	27	3	4	943	1	1	
	horse	9	1	14	13	22	17	3	915	2	4
	ship	37	10	4	4		1	2	1	931	10
	truck	20	39	3	3			2	1	9	923
		airplane	automobile	bird	cat	deer	dog	frog	horse	ship	truck
Predicted Class											



# Static vs. Dynamic

- - ▶ When the input **does not change** over time.
    - When the sensor is in a steady state.
  - ▶ **Essential for understanding the basic operating range and performance of the sensor.**
  - ▶ Example
    - Accuracy, precision, resolution, sensitivity, linearity.
  
- - ▶ When the input **changes** over time.
    - Indicates how a sensor responds to changing conditions.
  - ▶ **Essential for evaluating how well a sensor can track signals that change over time.**
  - ▶ Example
    - Response time, frequency characteristic.

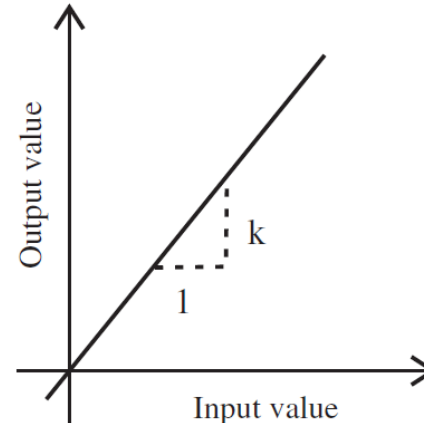


# Static Characteristic – Factors Affecting Performance

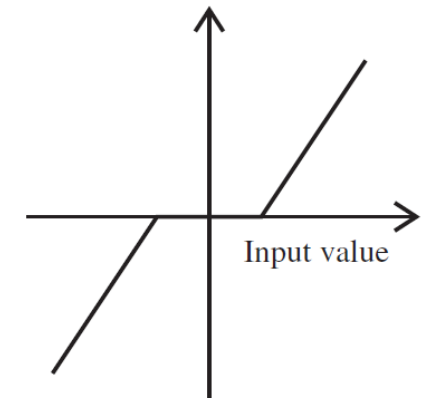
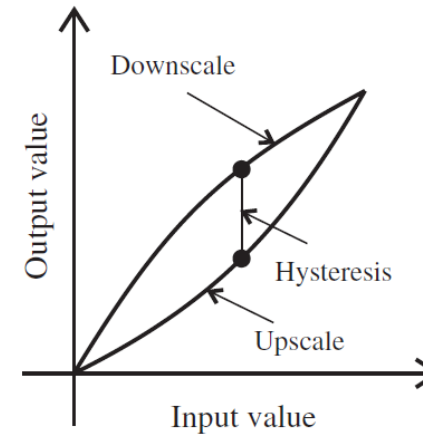
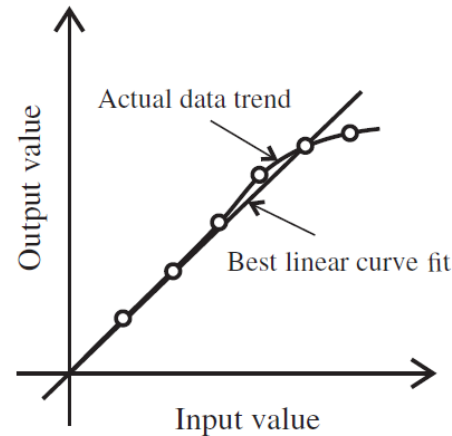
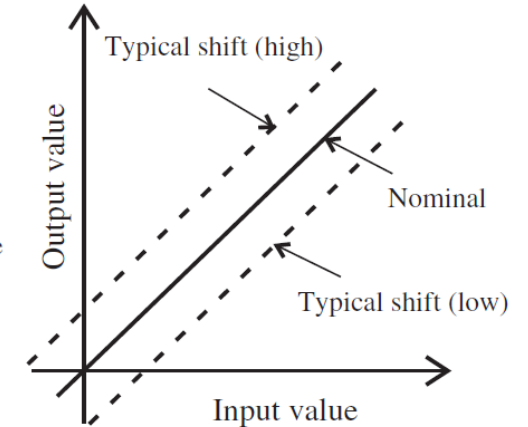
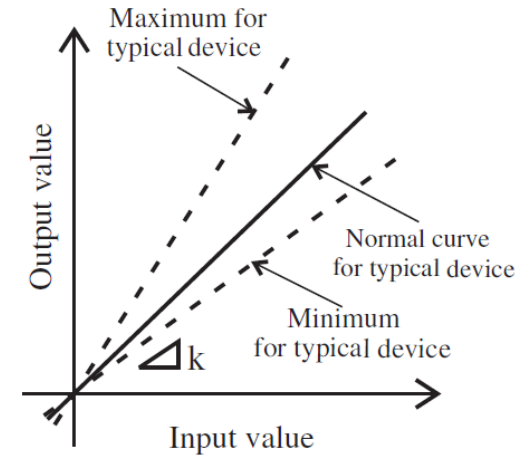
## ■ Static input–output relationship

### ► Ideal

- $Output = K_{gain} \times Input$



Ideal

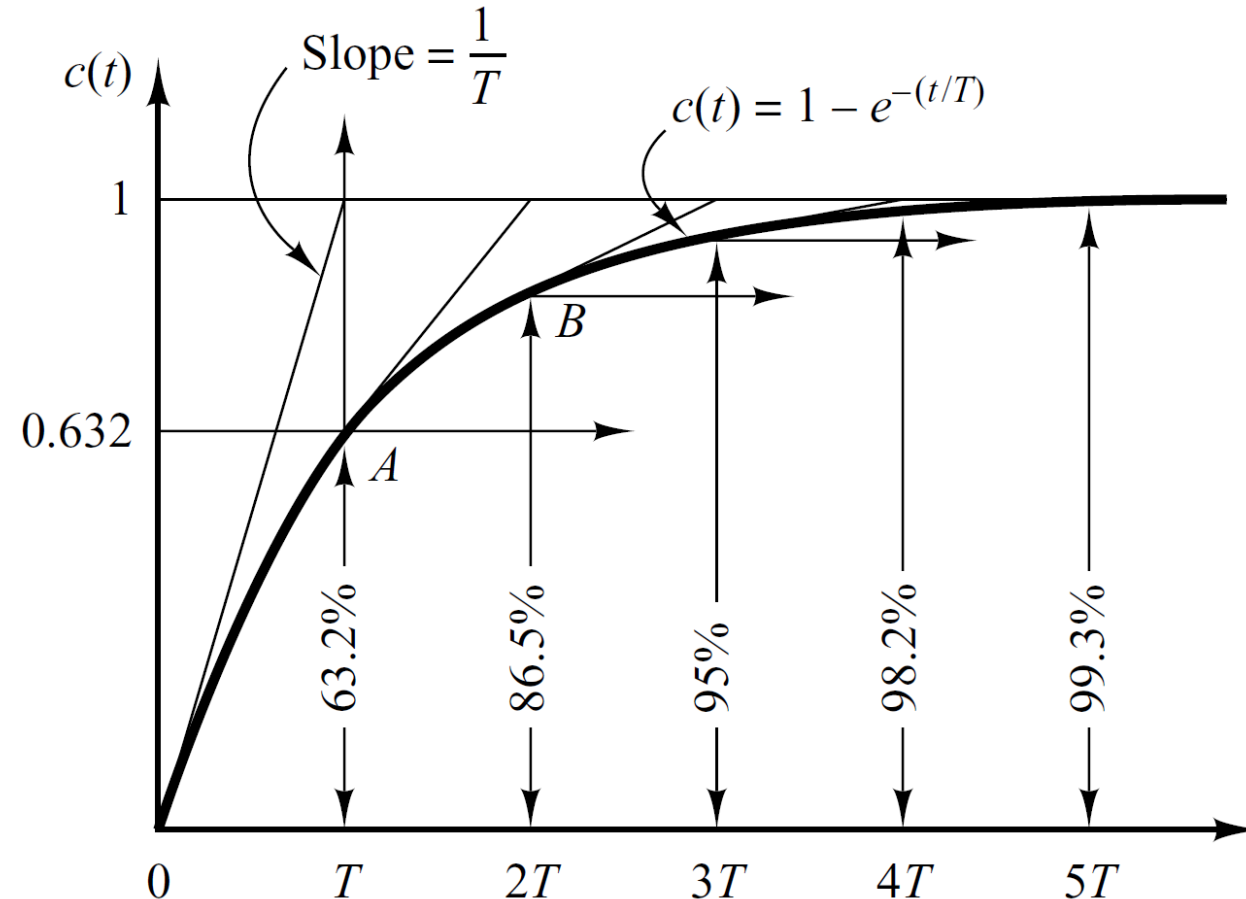


# Dynamic Characteristic – Response Model (I)

## 1<sup>st</sup> order dynamic filter transient response model



- The time that output reaches 63.2% of the steady state value.



Reference: Modern control engineering, Katsuhiko Ogata

# Dynamic Characteristic – Response Model (II)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> order dynamic filter transient response model



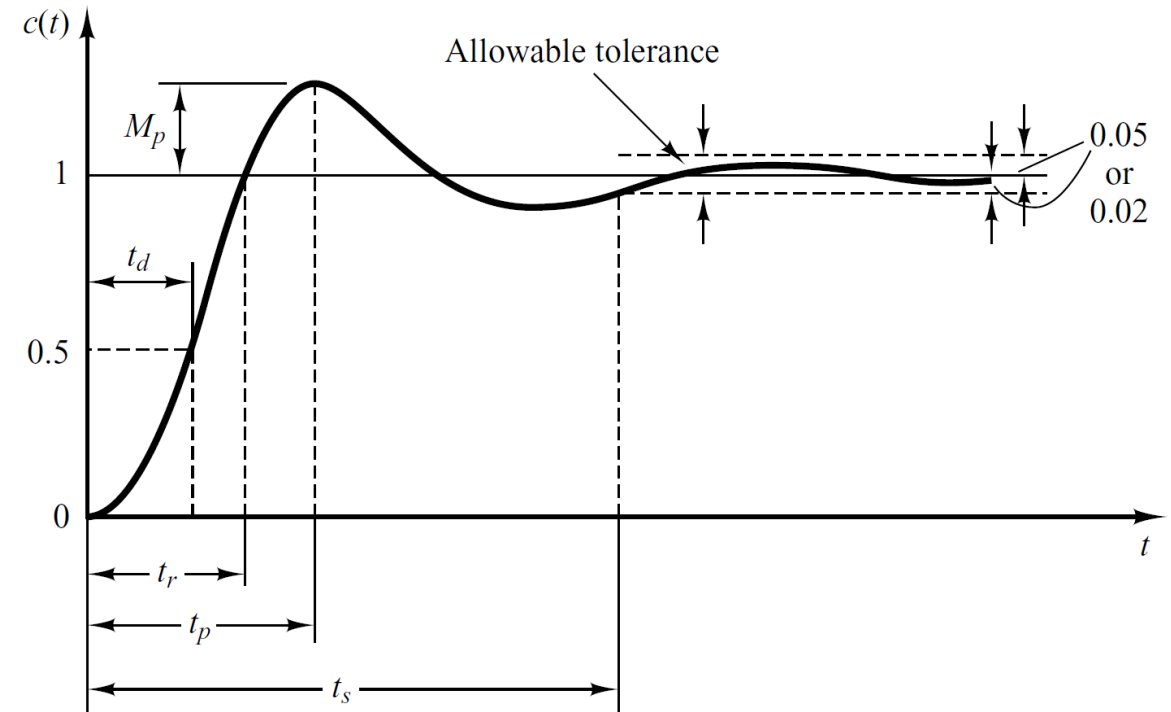
- The time that takes for the response to rise from (10% to 90%), (5% to 95%) or (0% to 100%) of the final value.
- Rise time from 0% to 100% is usually used in under damped 2<sup>nd</sup> order systems, and rise time from 10% to 90% in overdamped 2<sup>nd</sup> order systems.



- The maximum value of the response curve - 1
- $Maximum\ overshoot = \frac{c(t_p) - c(\infty)}{c(\infty)} * 100\%$

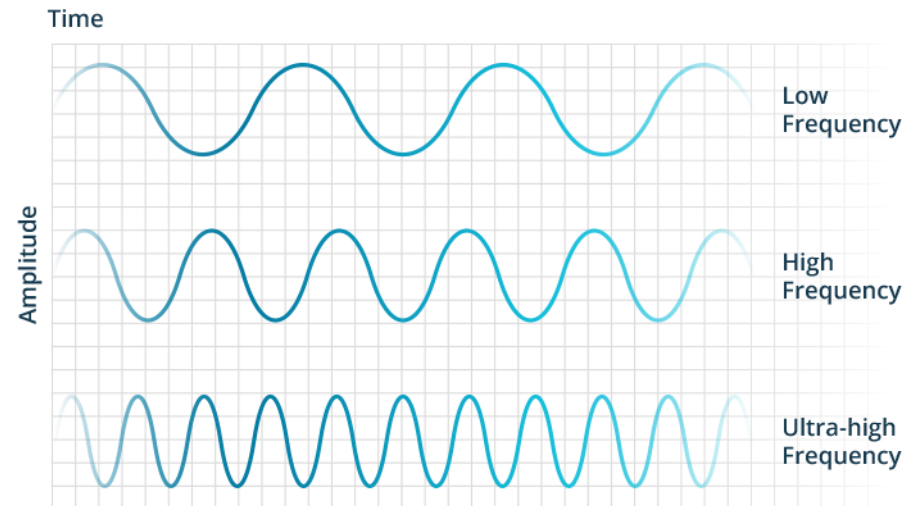
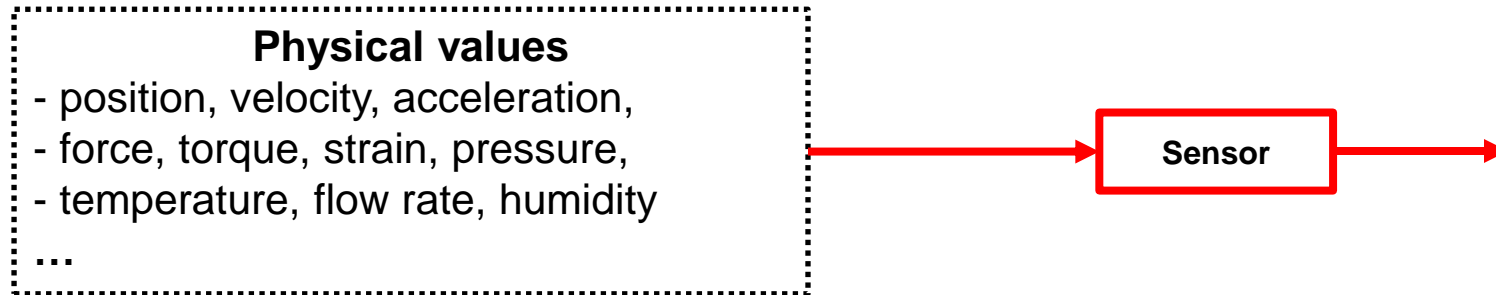


- The time it takes that response curve to stay within 2% or 5% of the final value.



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# Frequency Response Analysis



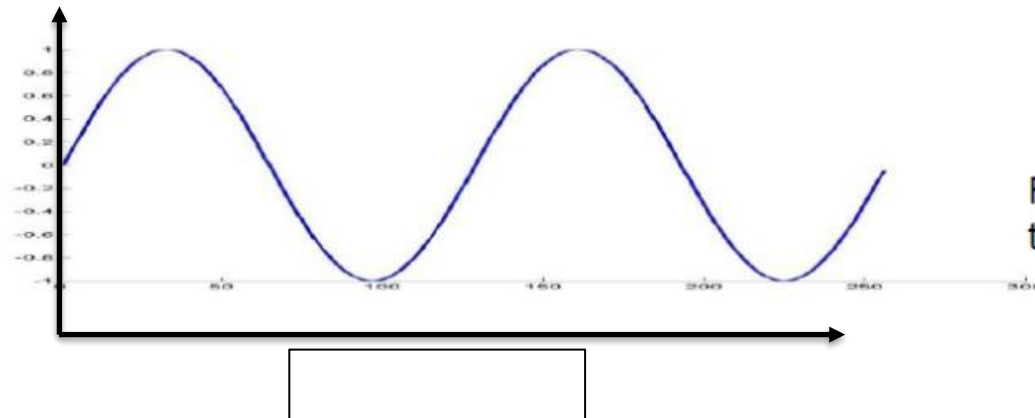
# What is Fourier Transform?

■ Convert an aperiodic function from the time domain to the frequency domain.

▶ Continuous time Fourier transform :  $F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt$

▶ Discrete time Fourier transform :  $X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cdot e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$

Signal amplitude



Frequency amplitude

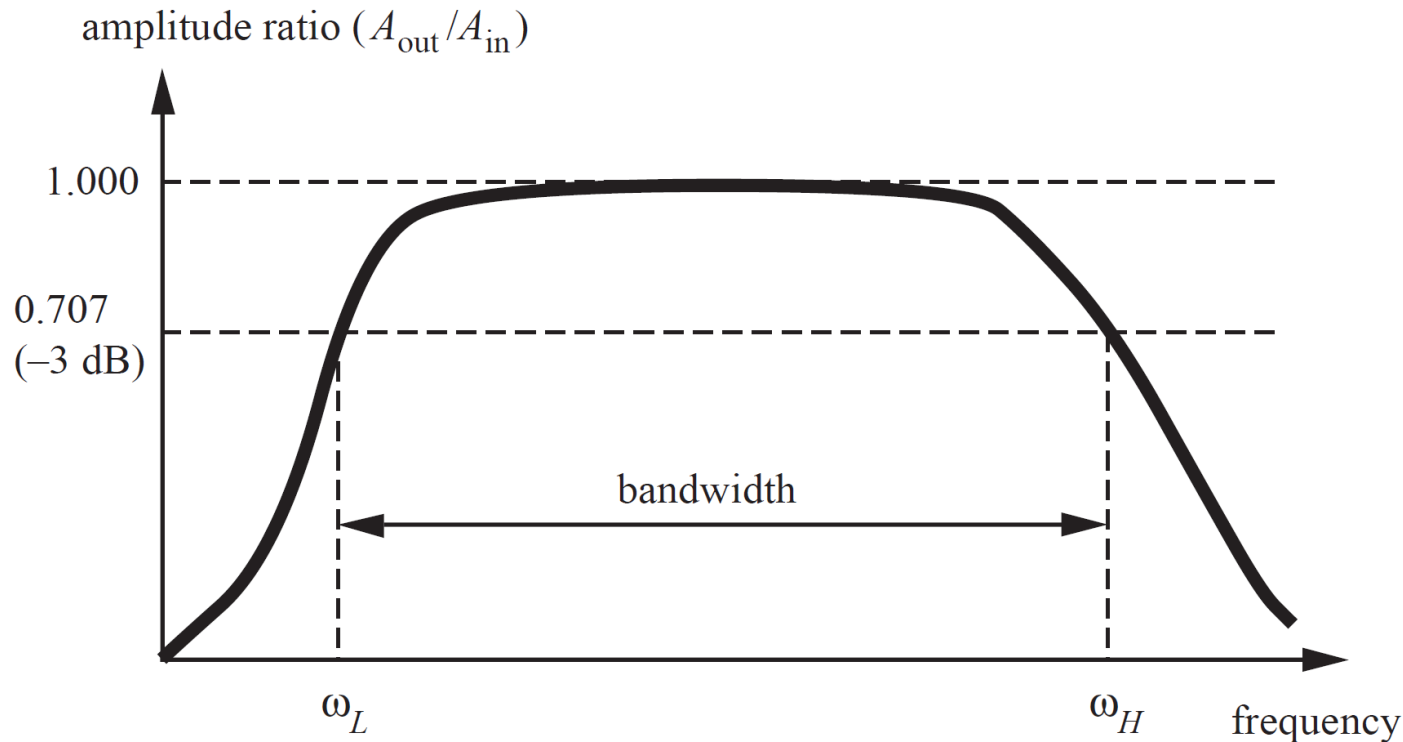


# Bandwidth

■ The range of frequencies that a signal occupies in the frequency spectrum.

► Defines as a frequency where the input is not attenuated to -3dB

►  $\frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \frac{A_{out}}{A_{in}} = \sqrt{\frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \approx 0.707, \quad 20\log\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ dB} \approx -3\text{dB}$



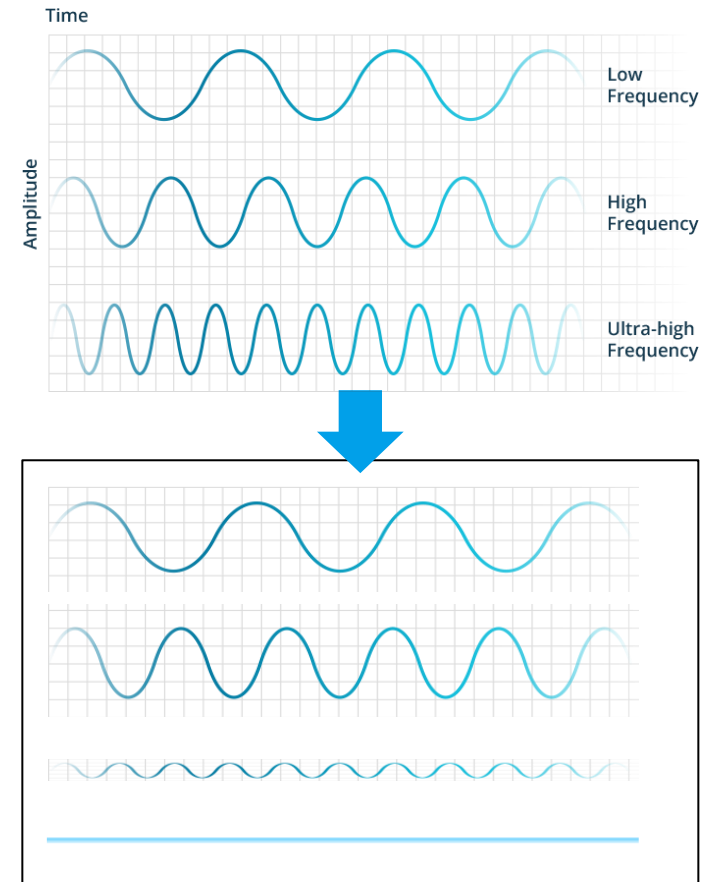
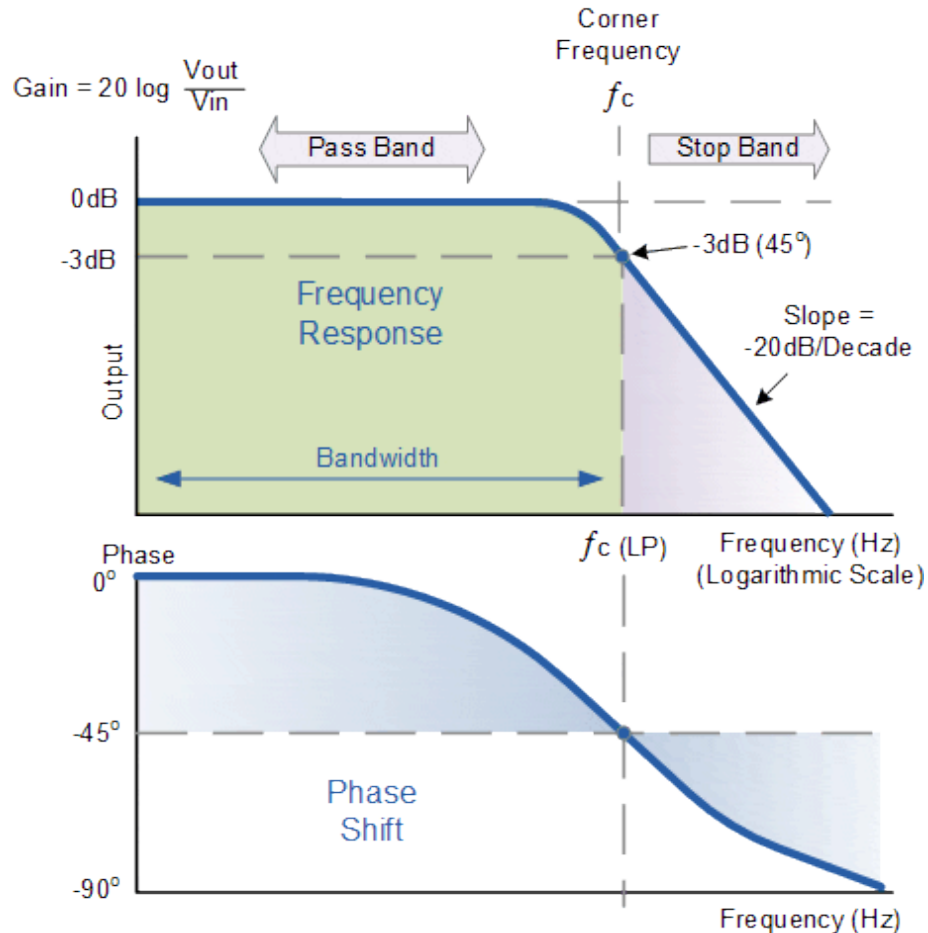
dB	Power ratio	Amplitude ratio
100	10 000 000 000	100 000
90	1 000 000 000	31 623
80	100 000 000	10 000
70	10 000 000	3 162
60	1 000 000	1 000
50	100 000	316.2
40	10 000	100
30	1 000	31.62
20	100	10
10	10	3.162
6	$3.981 \approx 4$	$1.995 \approx 2$
3	$1.995 \approx 2$	$1.413 \approx \sqrt{2}$
1	1.259	1.122
0	1	1
-1	0.794	0.891
-3	$0.501 \approx \frac{1}{2}$	$0.708 \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$
-6	$0.251 \approx \frac{1}{4}$	$0.501 \approx \frac{1}{2}$
-10	0.1	0.316 2
-20	0.01	0.1
-30	0.001	0.031 62
-40	0.000 1	0.01
-50	0.000 01	0.003 162
-60	0.000 001	0.001
-70	0.000 000 1	0.000 316 2
-80	0.000 000 01	0.000 1
-90	0.000 000 001	0.000 031 62
-100	0.000 000 000 1	0.000 01

An example scale showing power ratios  $x$ , amplitude ratios  $\sqrt{x}$ , and dB equivalents  $10 \log_{10} x$ .

# Low-Pass Filter

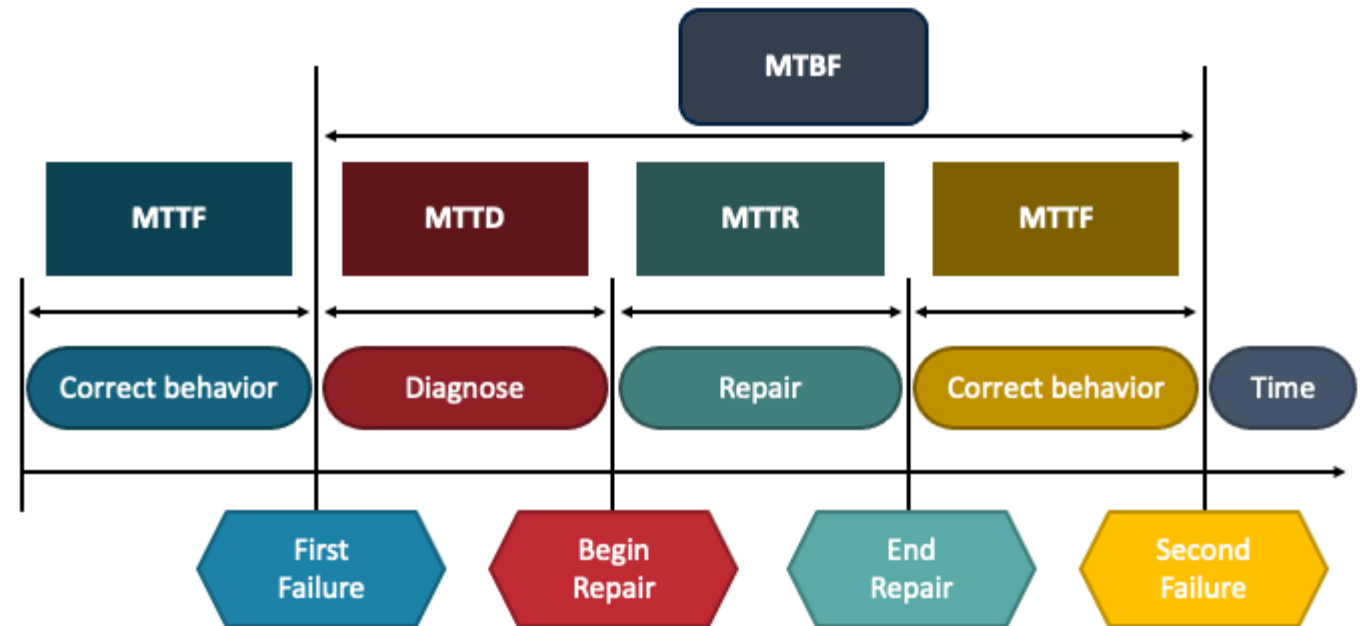
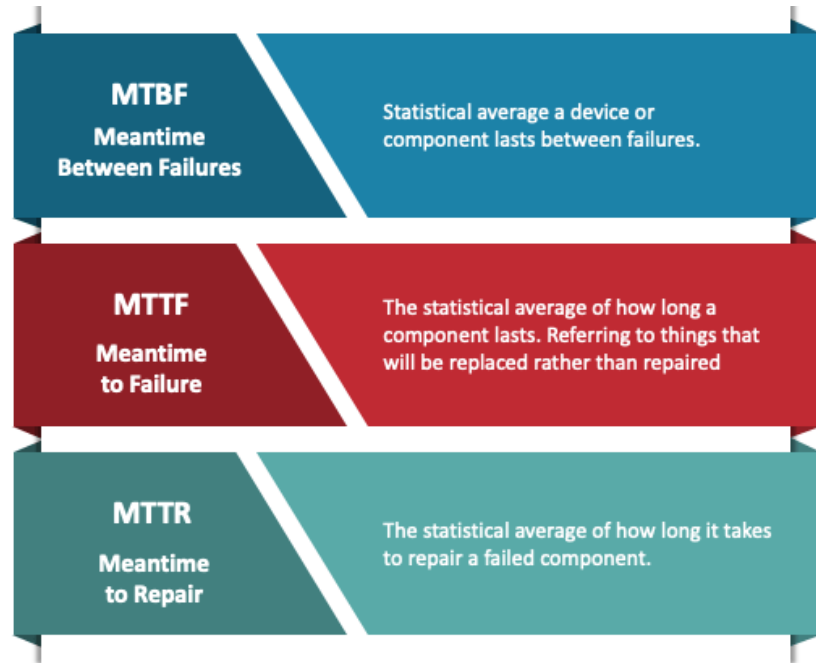
■ Filters that allow frequencies below a certain frequency and block higher frequencies.

► Low-pass filter is used to remove or attenuate  from a signal.



# What is Reliability?

- Reliability is the ability of a system, product, or service to consistently perform as **intended**, with **minimal or swift recovery** from **failures** under given conditions.





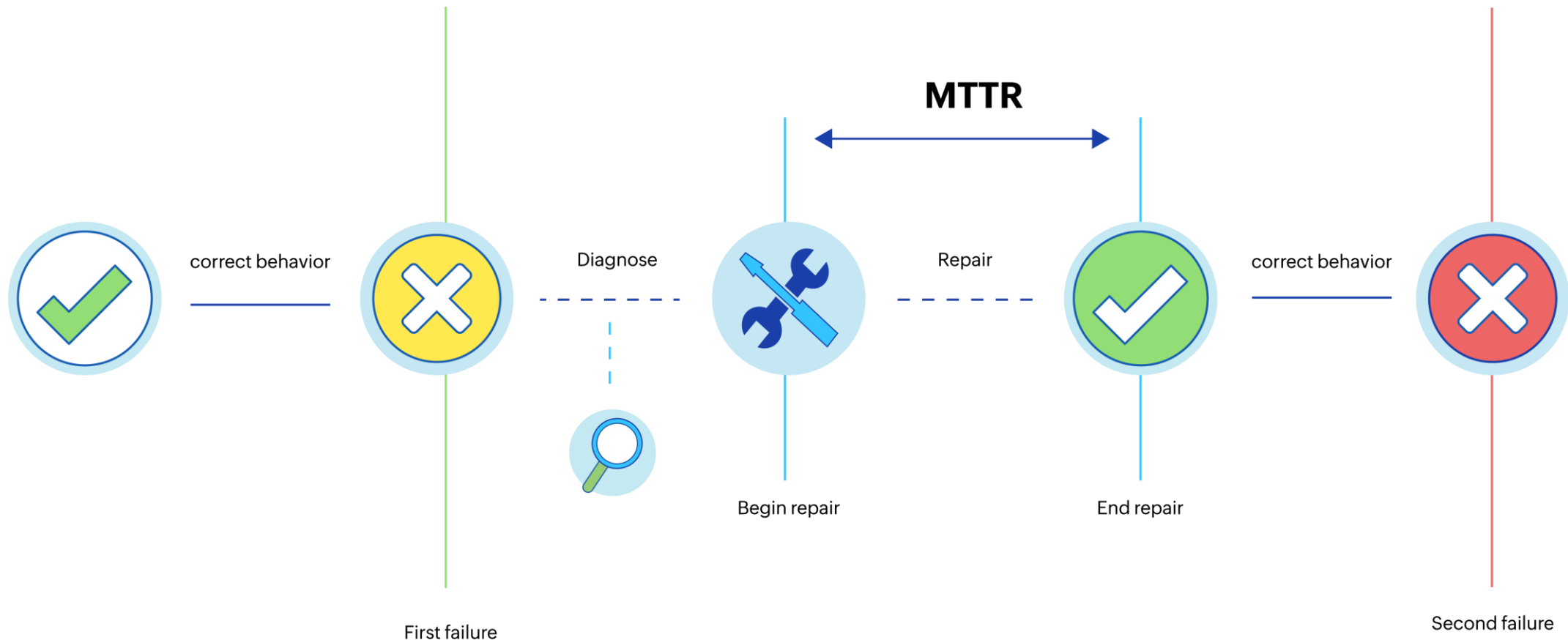
# Reliability MTBF vs. MTTR vs. MTTR



# Reliability - Mean Time To Repair

## ■ Mean Time To Repair (MTTR)

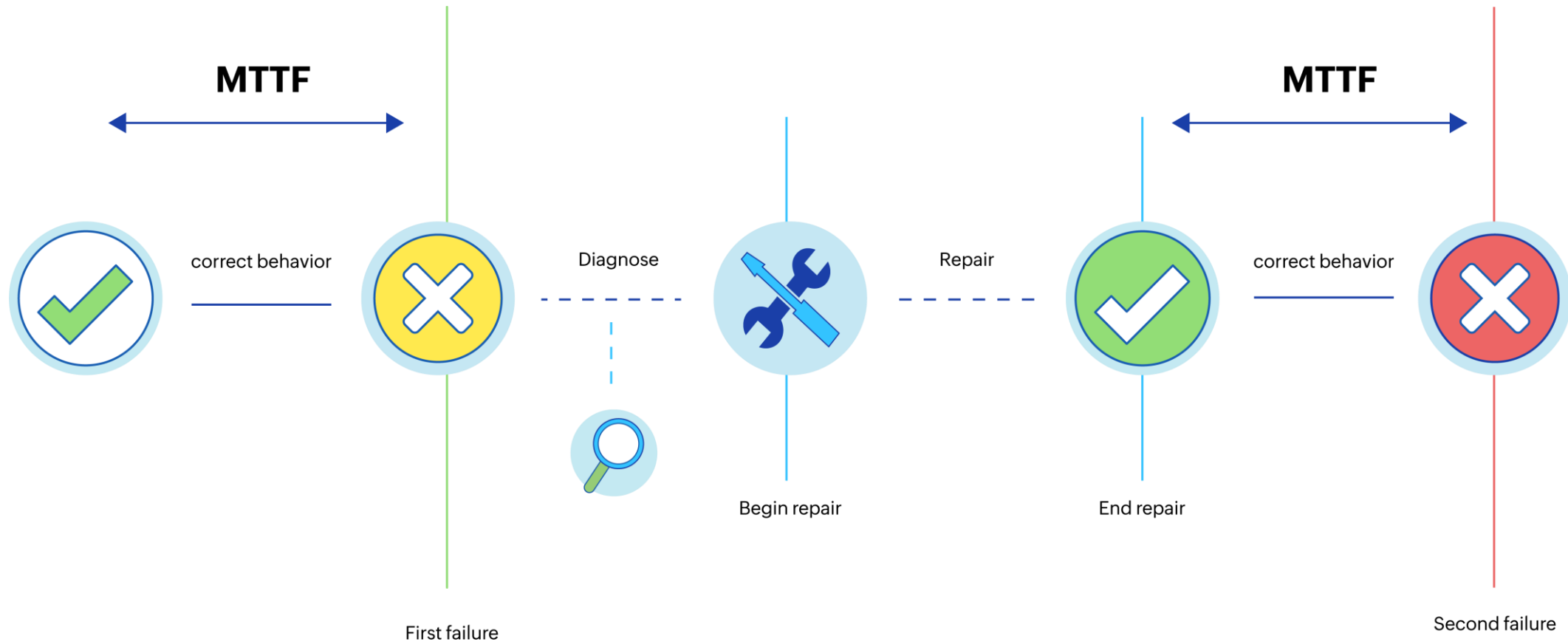
- ▶ Mean Time To Repair is the average time a system or device can be repaired after a failure.
- ▶  means faster repairs and more reliable system behavior.



# Reliability - Mean Time To Failures

## ■ Mean Time To Failures (MTTF)

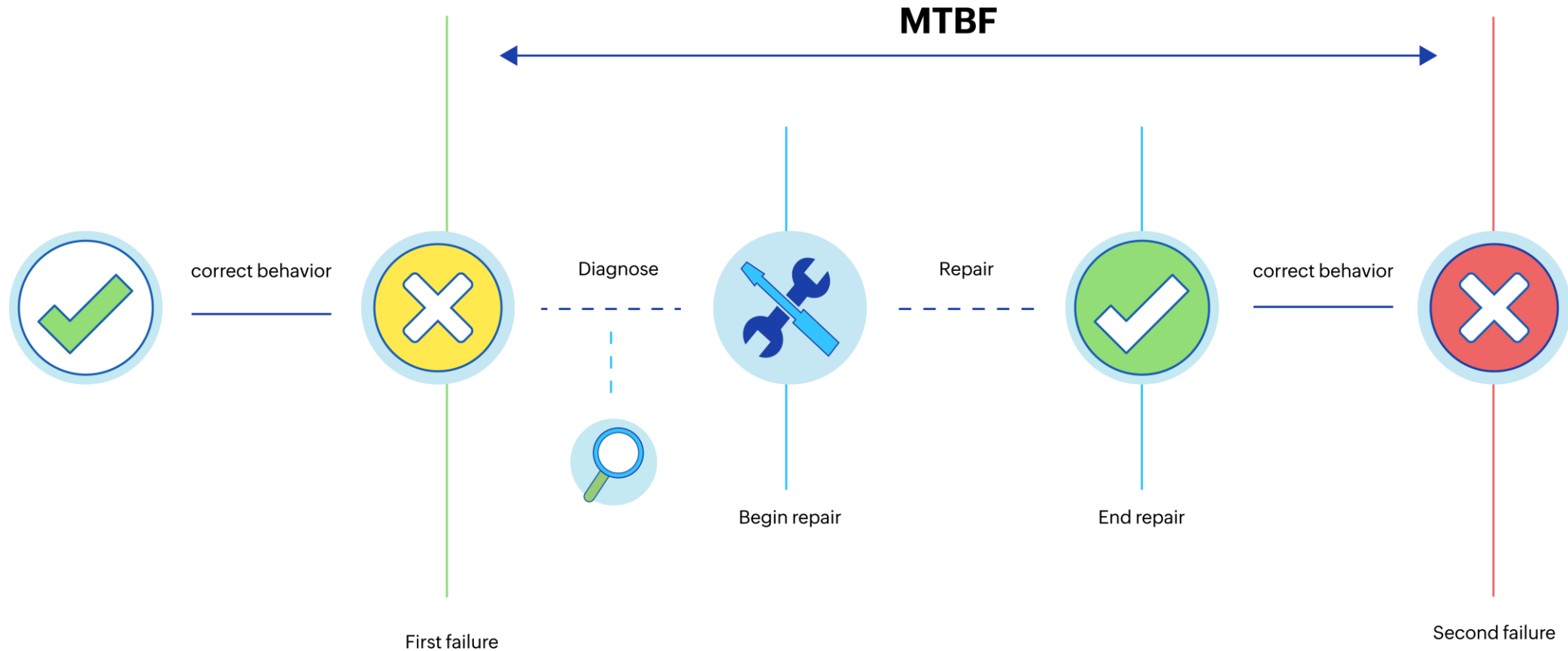
- ▶ Mean Time To Failure is the average time a system or device can operate before failing.
- ▶  means fewer failures and more reliable system behavior.



# Reliability - Mean Time Between Failures

## ■ Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF)

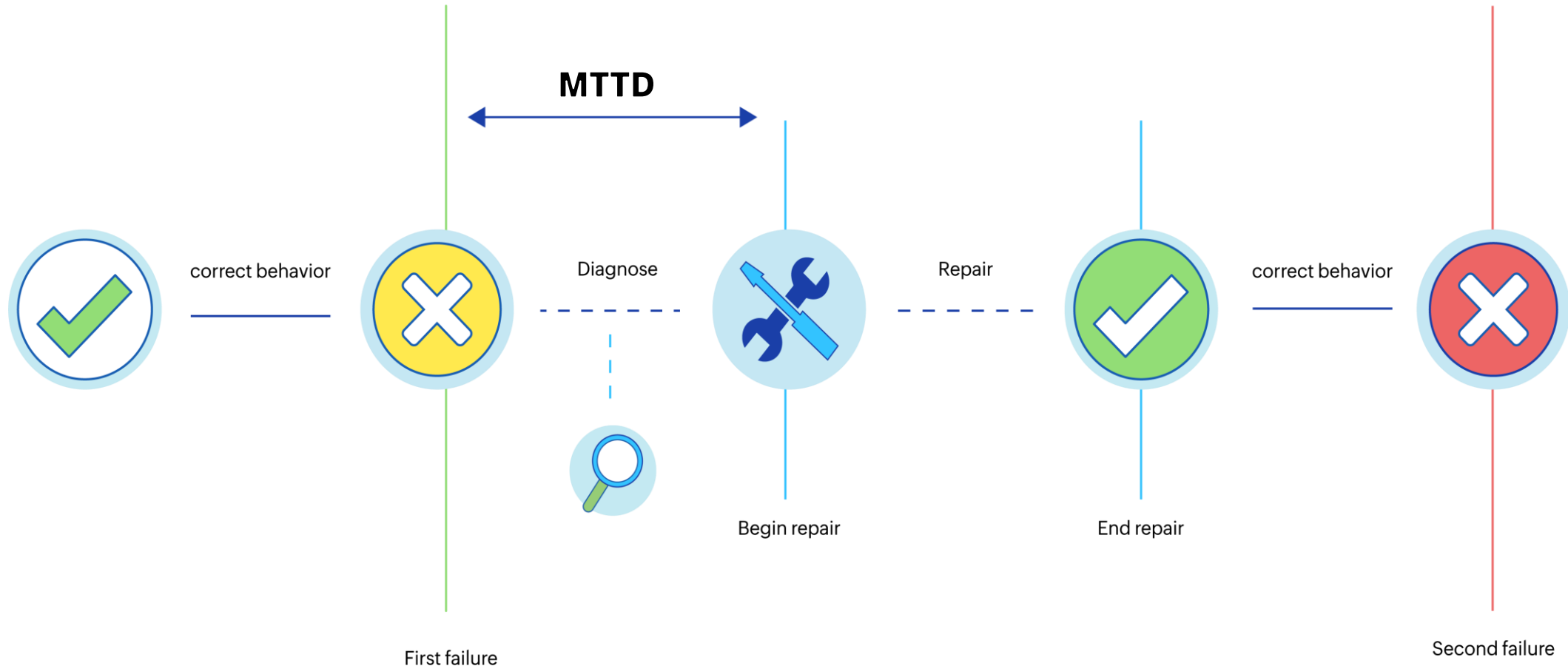
- ▶ Mean time between failures is the average time a system or device can operate before it fails.
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# Reliability - Mean Time To Detection

## ■ Mean Time To Detection (MTTD)

- ▶ Mean time to detection is the average time a system or device can detect a failure.
- ▶  means faster the system can detect anomalous behavior or attacks.



# Reliability - Extreme Testing

- Extreme testing to ensure that your product will perform reliably under any extreme conditions.



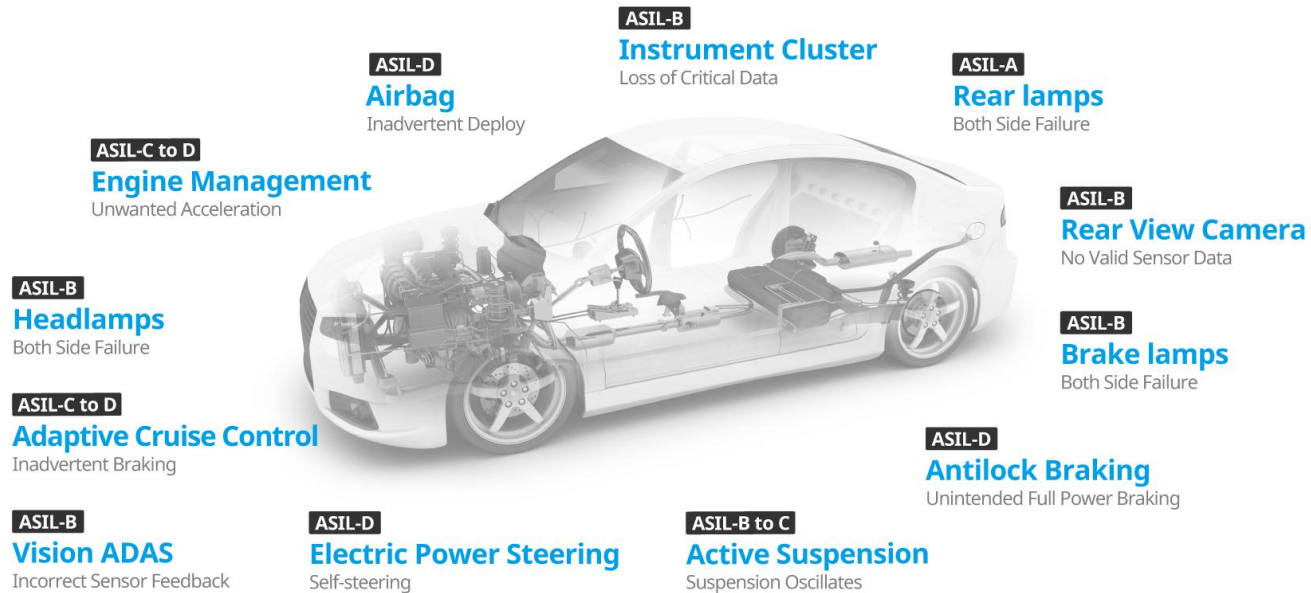


# Reliability - Automotive Safety Integrity Level

## ■ Automotive Safety Integrity Level (ASIL)

- ▶ **Risk classification** scheme defined by the **ISO26262**.
  - ▶ ISO26262: International standards for automotive functional safety.
- ▶ **ASIL** is determined by result of hazard analysis and risk assessment.
- ▶ **ASIL D** is the highest degree of automotive hazard and highest degree of rigor applied.
- ▶ **QM** represents automotive risk-free application.

$$ASIL = Severity * (Exposure * Controllability)$$





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