

# Failure Diagnosis and Prognosis for Automotive Systems

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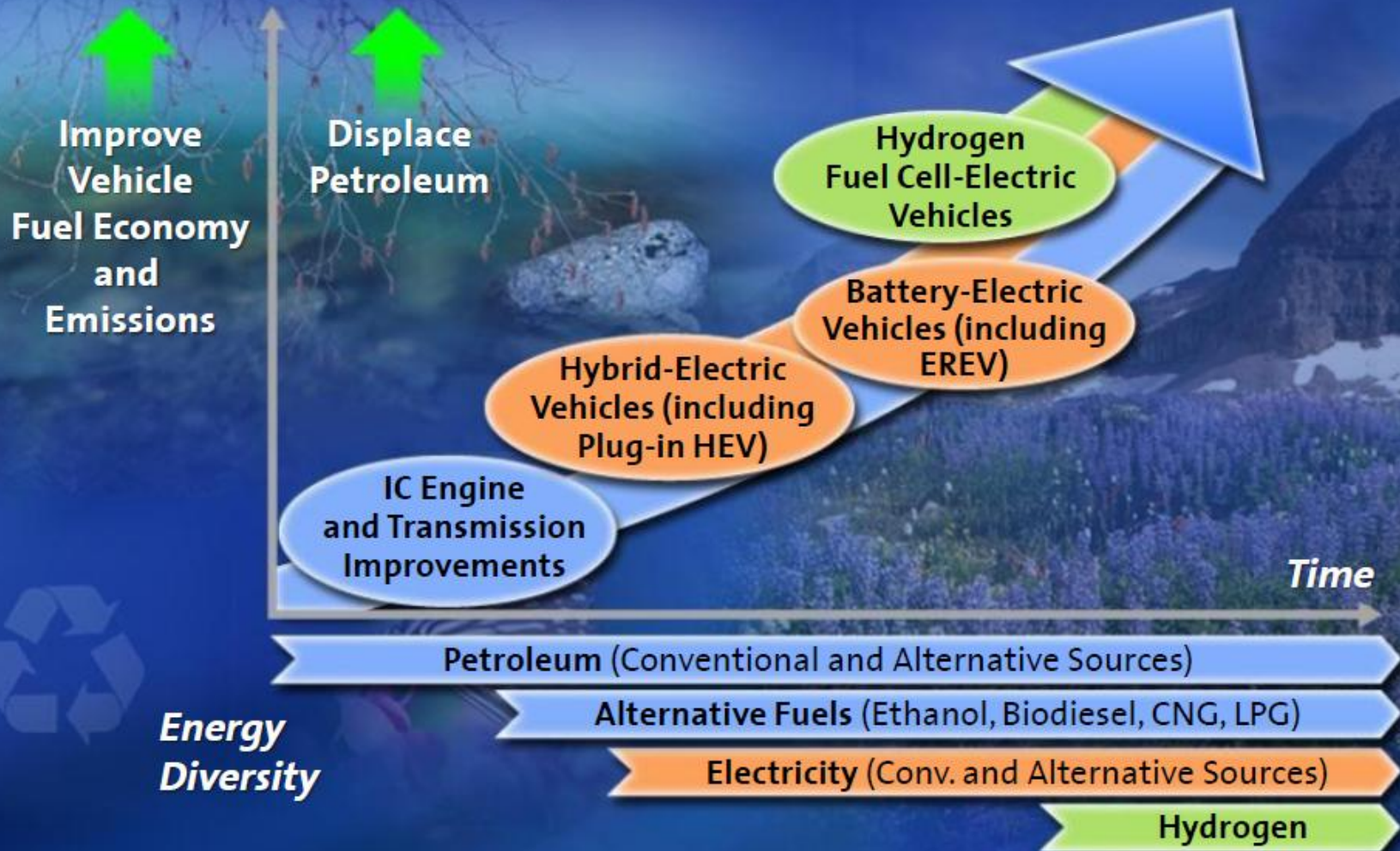
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# Automotive Challenges and Goals

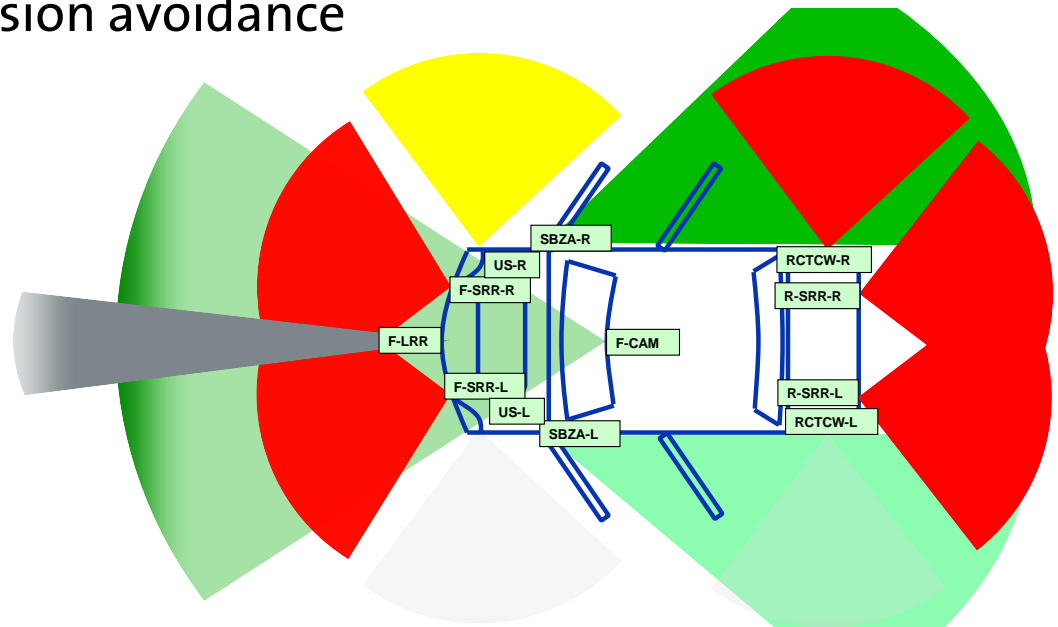
Driver	Challenges	Goals
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rising cost of petroleum fuels</li> <li>• Non-renewability of fossil fuels</li> <li>• Increasing gov't regulations for fuel economy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce fuel consumption</li> <li>• Zero dependency on fossil fuels</li> </ul>
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of greenhouse gas emissions on the environment</li> <li>• Increasing gov't regulations for emissions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero greenhouse gas emissions</li> </ul>
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40K traffic fatalities annually in the US</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero traffic fatalities</li> </ul>
Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demand for connectivity to personal electronics devices</li> <li>• Worsening traffic congestion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero traffic congestion</li> <li>• Safer roadways</li> </ul>

# FUEL ECONOMY AND EMISSIONS



# Example Active Safety Systems

- Adaptive cruise control
- Forward collision warning
- Curve speed control
- Side blind zone alert
- Lane keeping / lane centering control
- Cross traffic collision avoidance



# ROADMAP TO AUTONOMOUS DRIVING

Functionality

## Driver Assist/ Warning

- Lane Departure Warning
- Side Blind-Zone Alert

Today

## Semi-Autonomous Driving

Distributed control  
between vehicle  
and driver

- Lane Centering

Future

## On-Demand Autonomous Driving

Vehicle performs  
autonomously  
“on-demand” for  
limited travel

- Highway-Only  
Autonomous  
Driving

## Autonomous Driving

Vehicle drives  
itself for an entire  
travel journey

- Vehicle as  
Chauffeur

# Where does failure diagnosis fit in?

## ***Two main use cases:***

- Off-line servicing / maintenance of the vehicle
- On-line safety architecture

# Failure Diagnosis in Maintenance

- Well-established, mature area (since 1970's)
- Current practice
  - Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) and Parameter IDs (PID) are generated by and stored within Electronic Control Units (ECUs)
    - Some are required and standardized by government regulations, for emissions equipment, these are called OBD (On Board Diagnostics)
  - Service tools plug into the Diagnostic Link Connector (DLC) and read out these codes (can also upload new calibrations and software code)
  - Diagnostic procedures (flow charts) indicate additional tests and probes to troubleshoot a particular customer concern
- Far from perfect, needs to be continuously improved

# Failure Diagnosis in Maintenance

- Customer satisfaction goals
  - Never stranded (“walk-home”)
  - Fix it right the first time (no repeat visits!)
- Warranty cost reduction
  - Reduce “No Trouble Founds” (NTF)
  - Focus on highest cost IPTV (Incidents Per Thousand Vehicles) and CPV (Cost Per Vehicle)
    - Batteries
    - Wiring harnesses and connectors
    - Certain Electronic Control Units



# Failure Prognosis in Maintenance

- Predict the remaining useful life of components that wear out (in progress)
  - Batteries
  - Brake pads
- Predict the failure of electronic components (future)

# Failure diagnosis in the run-time safety architecture

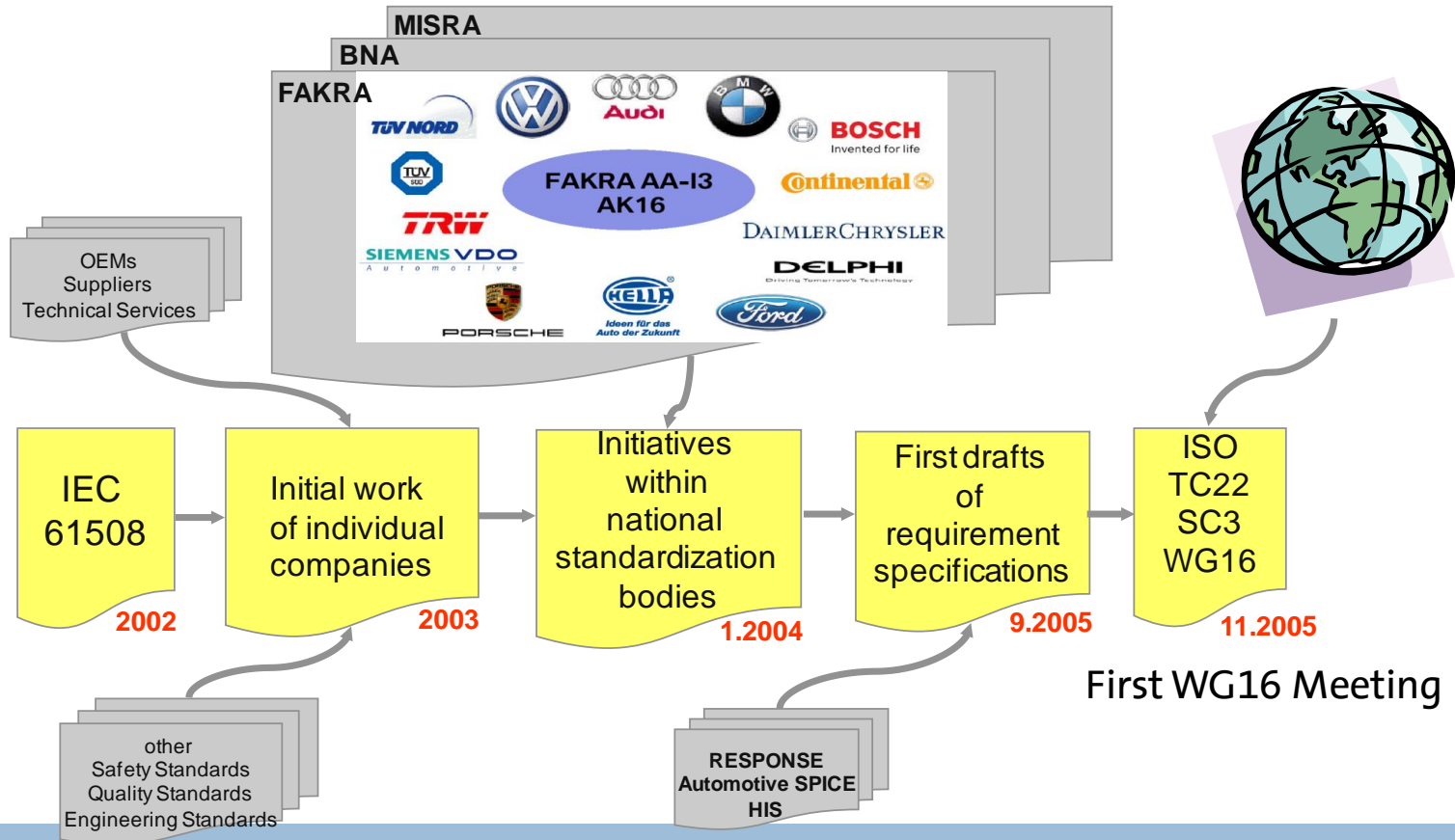
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- Architecture considerations
  - Fault detection and fault mitigation

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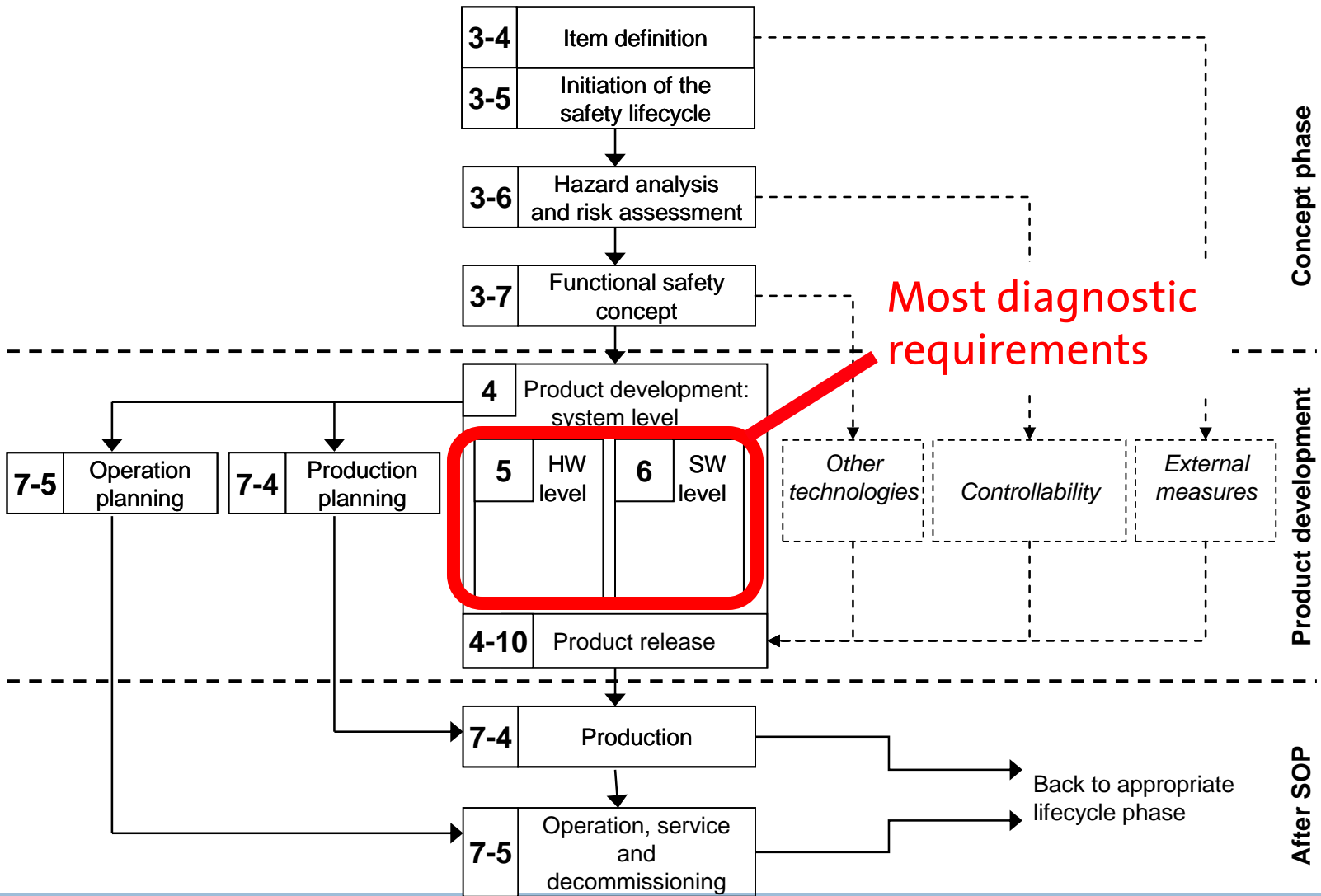
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# ISO 26262 and the Functional Safety Process

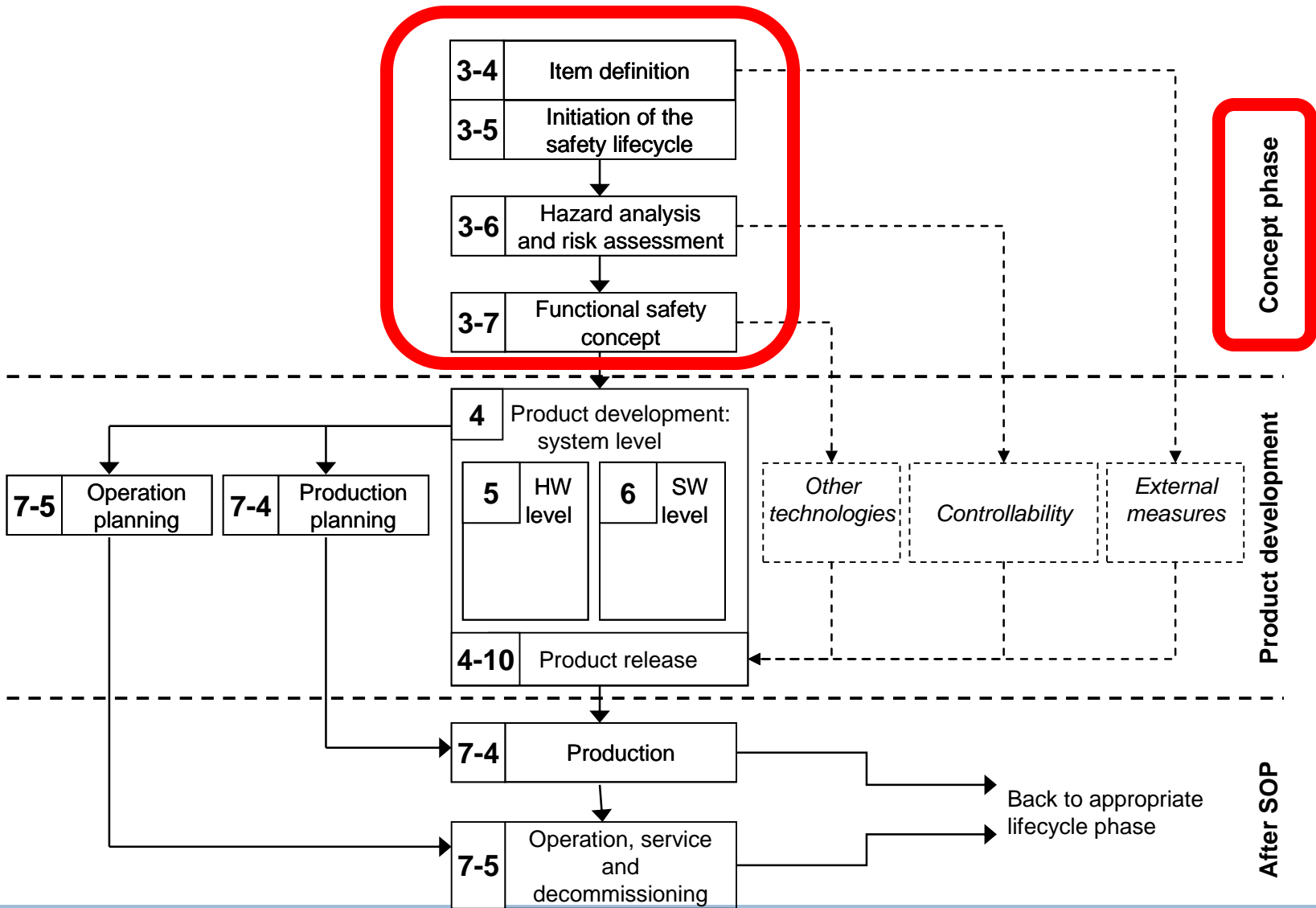
- ISO 26262 is the automotive specialization of IEC 61508



# ISO 26262 Process Overview

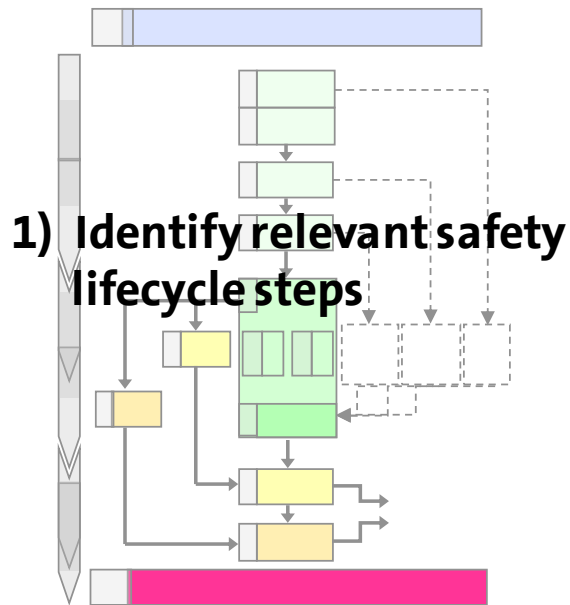


# ISO 26262 Process Overview



# ISO 26262 Concept Phase

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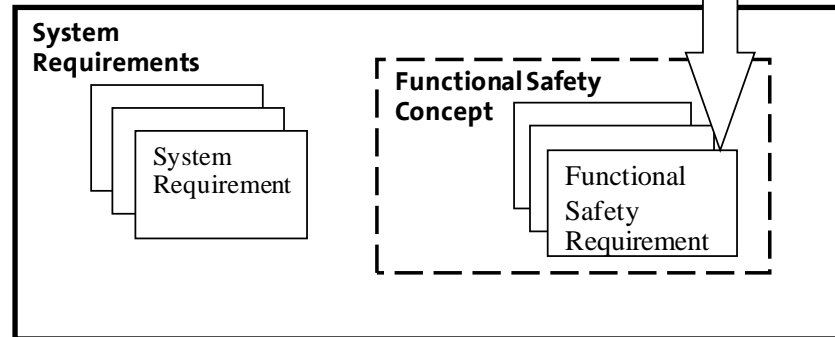
**2) Perform a Hazard Analysis  
Determine ASIL**

ASIL  
A, B, C, D

**3) Identify Safety Goals**

SAFETY  
GOALS

**4) Identify Functional  
Safety Concept**



# ISO 26262 Hazard Analysis and Determination of ASIL (Automotive Safety Integrity Level)

**Severity**

S0	S1	S2	S3
No injuries	Light and moderate injuries	Severe and life-threatening injuries (survival probable)	Life-threatening injuries (survival uncertain), fatal injuries

**Exposure**

E0	E1	E2	E3	E4
Incredible	Very low probability	Low probability	Medium Probability	High Probability

**Controllability**

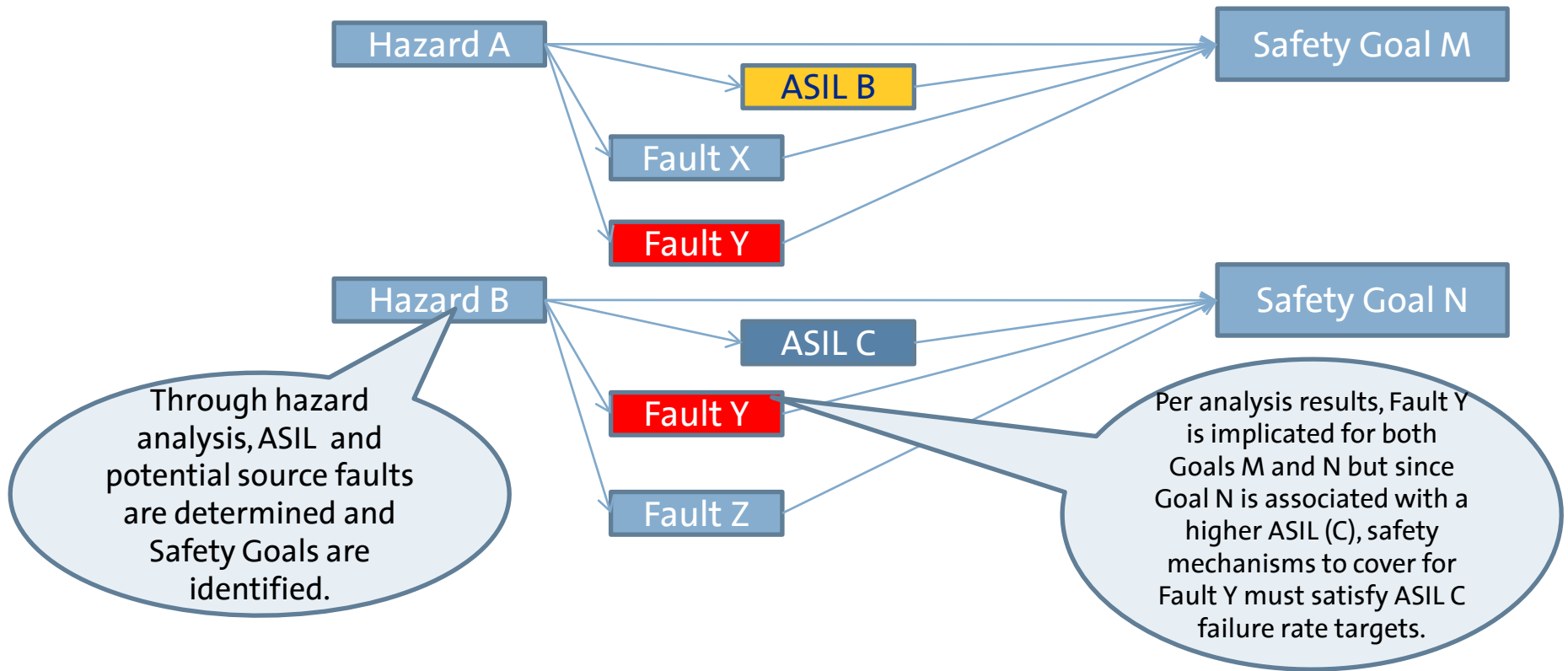
C0	C1	C2	C3
Controllable in general	Simply controllable	Normally controllable	Difficult to control or uncontrollable



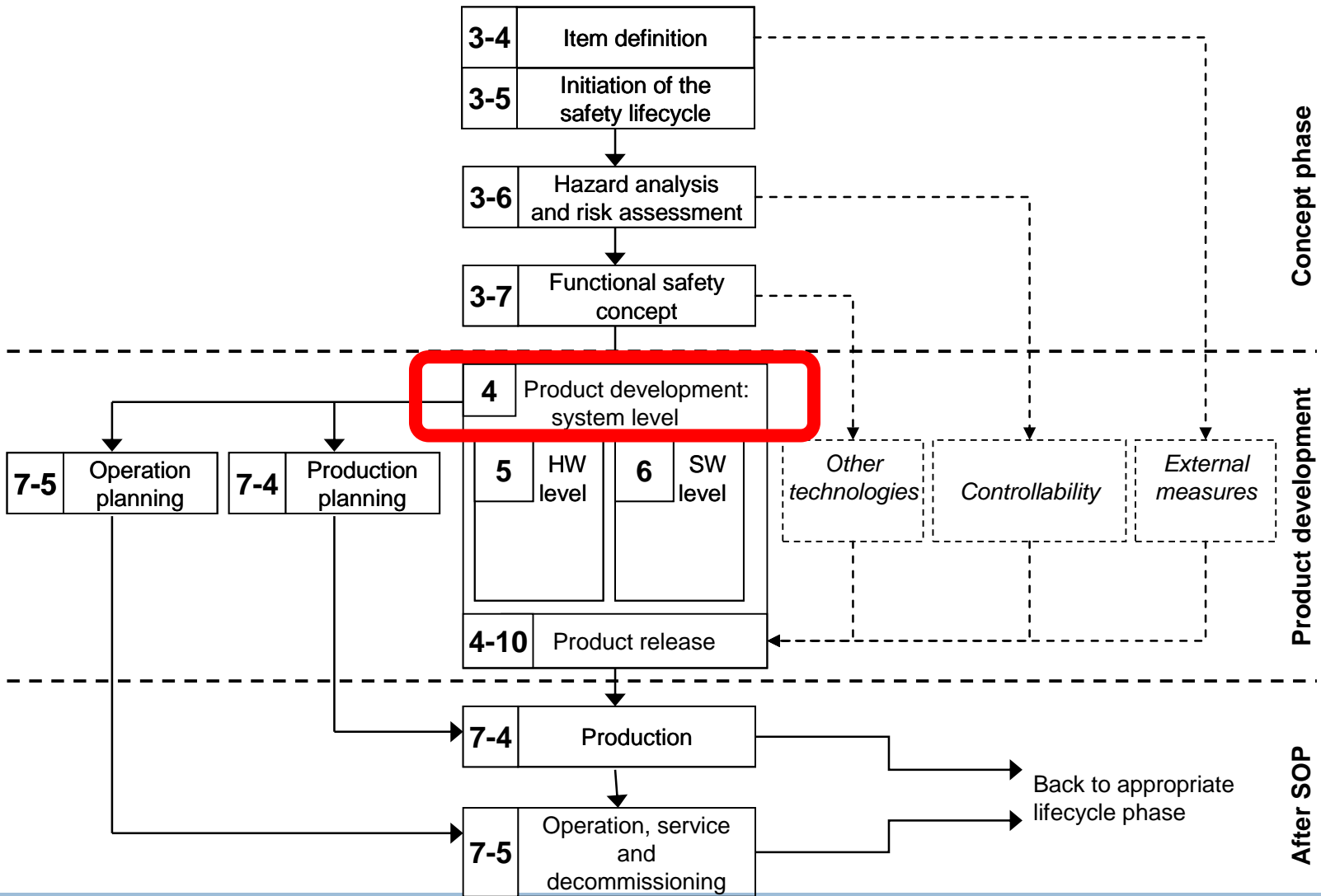
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		C1	C2	C3
S1	E1	QM	QM	QM
	E2	QM	QM	QM
	E3	QM	QM	ASIL A
	E4	QM	ASIL A	ASIL B
S2	E1	QM	QM	QM
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	E3	QM	ASIL A	ASIL B
	E4	ASIL A	ASIL B	ASIL C
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	E4	ASIL B	ASIL C	ASIL D

# ISO 26262 Identification of Safety Goals



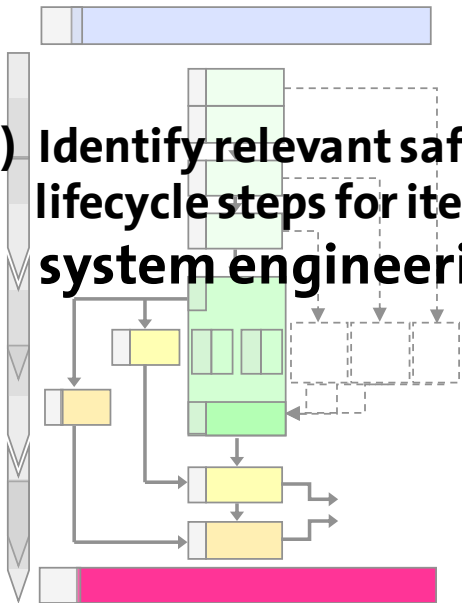
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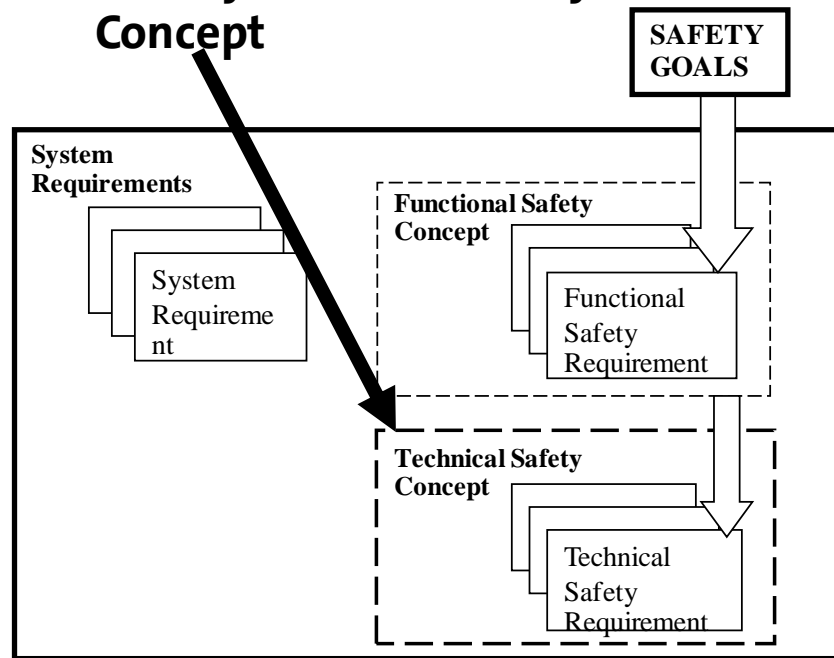
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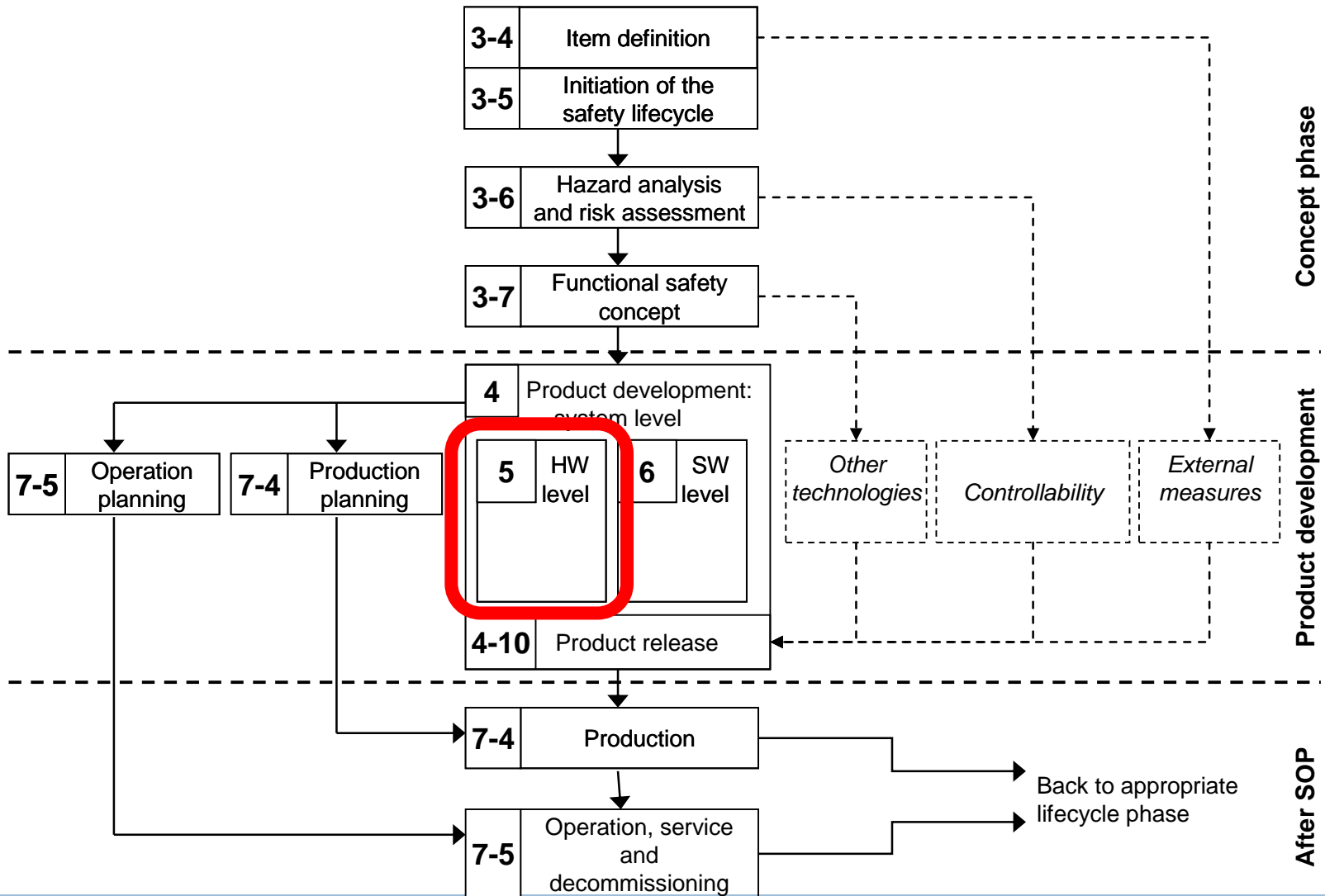
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2) Identify Technical Safety Concept



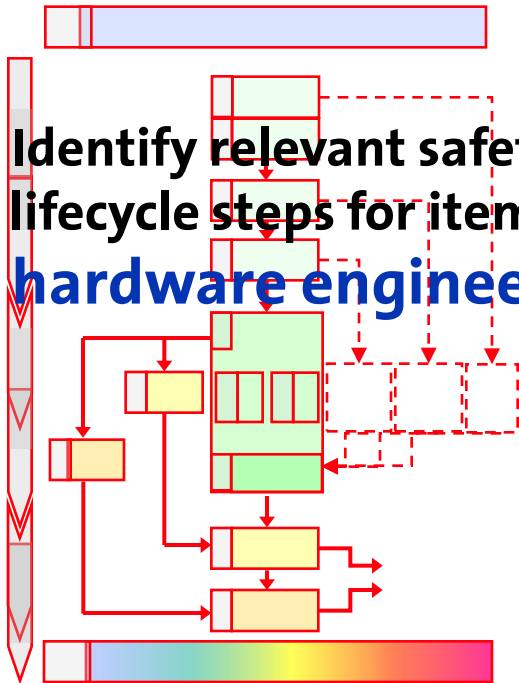
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# ISO 26262 Hardware Design

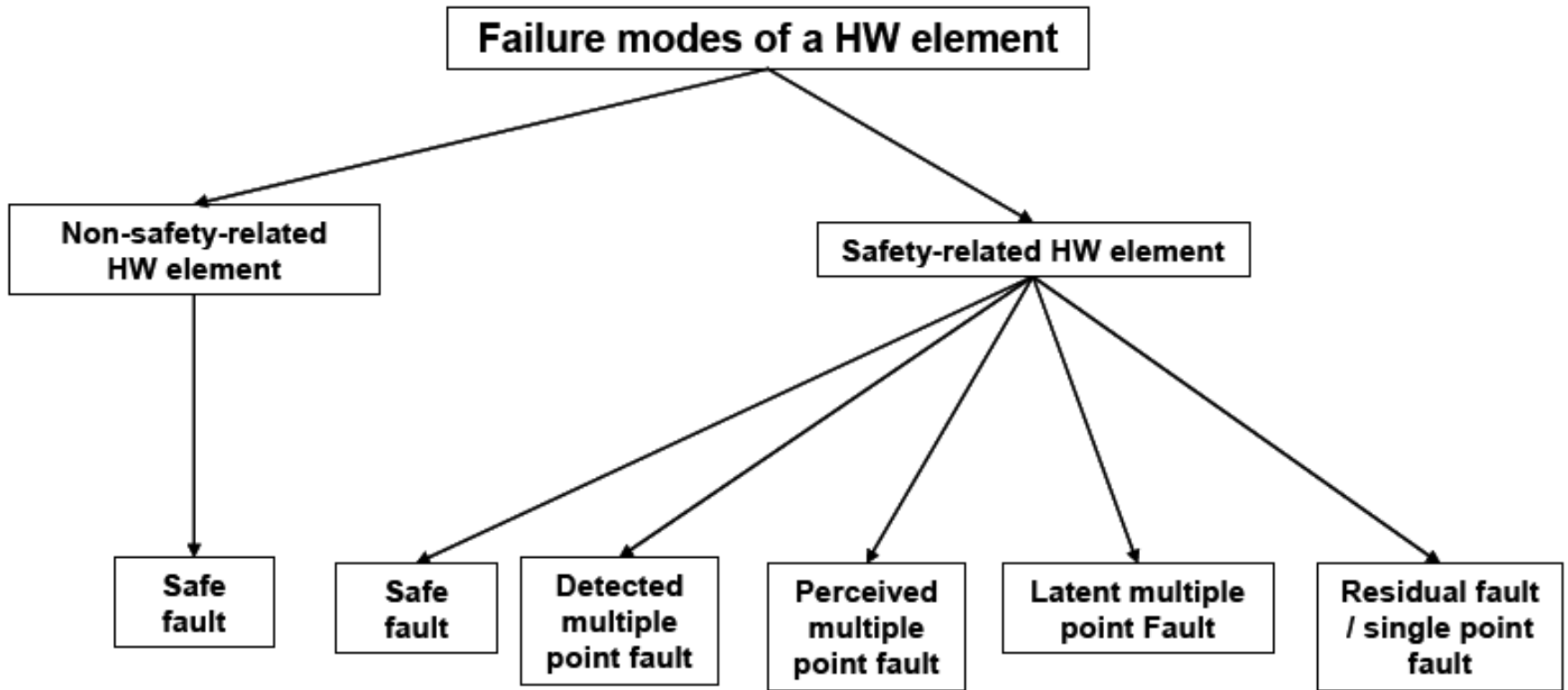
For a given Hardware “Item”:

1) Identify relevant safety lifecycle steps for item  
**hardware engineering**



- 2) Identify Hardware safety requirements
- 3) Design hardware, protecting for safety concerns
- 4) Evaluate hardware mechanisms for fault handling
- 5) Assess residual, single and dual point faults for residual risk and violation of safety goals
- 6) Plan for Hardware safety integration and test
- 7) Define requirements for Hw/Sw interface to support Technical Safety Concept

# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Model

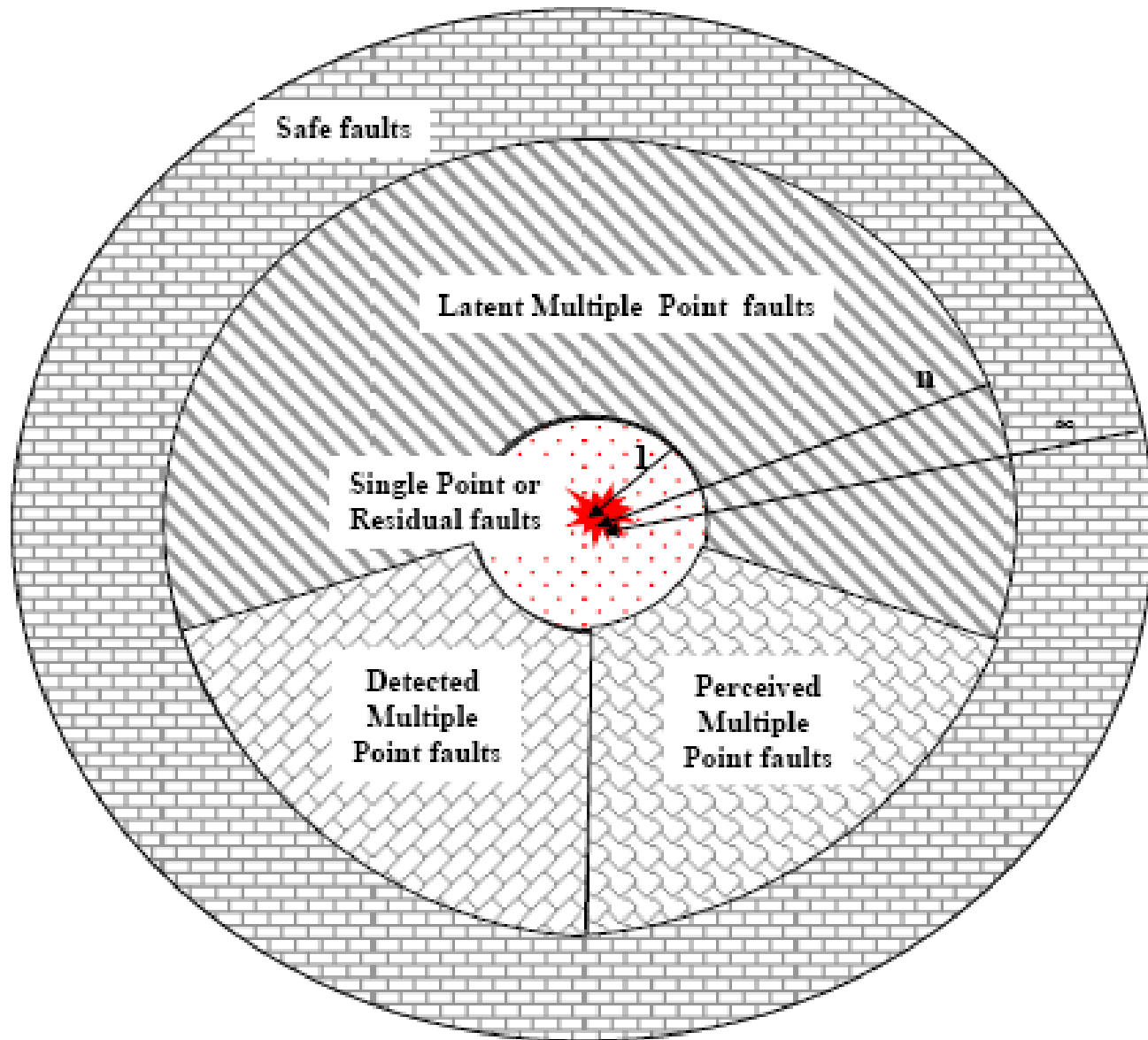


# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Definitions

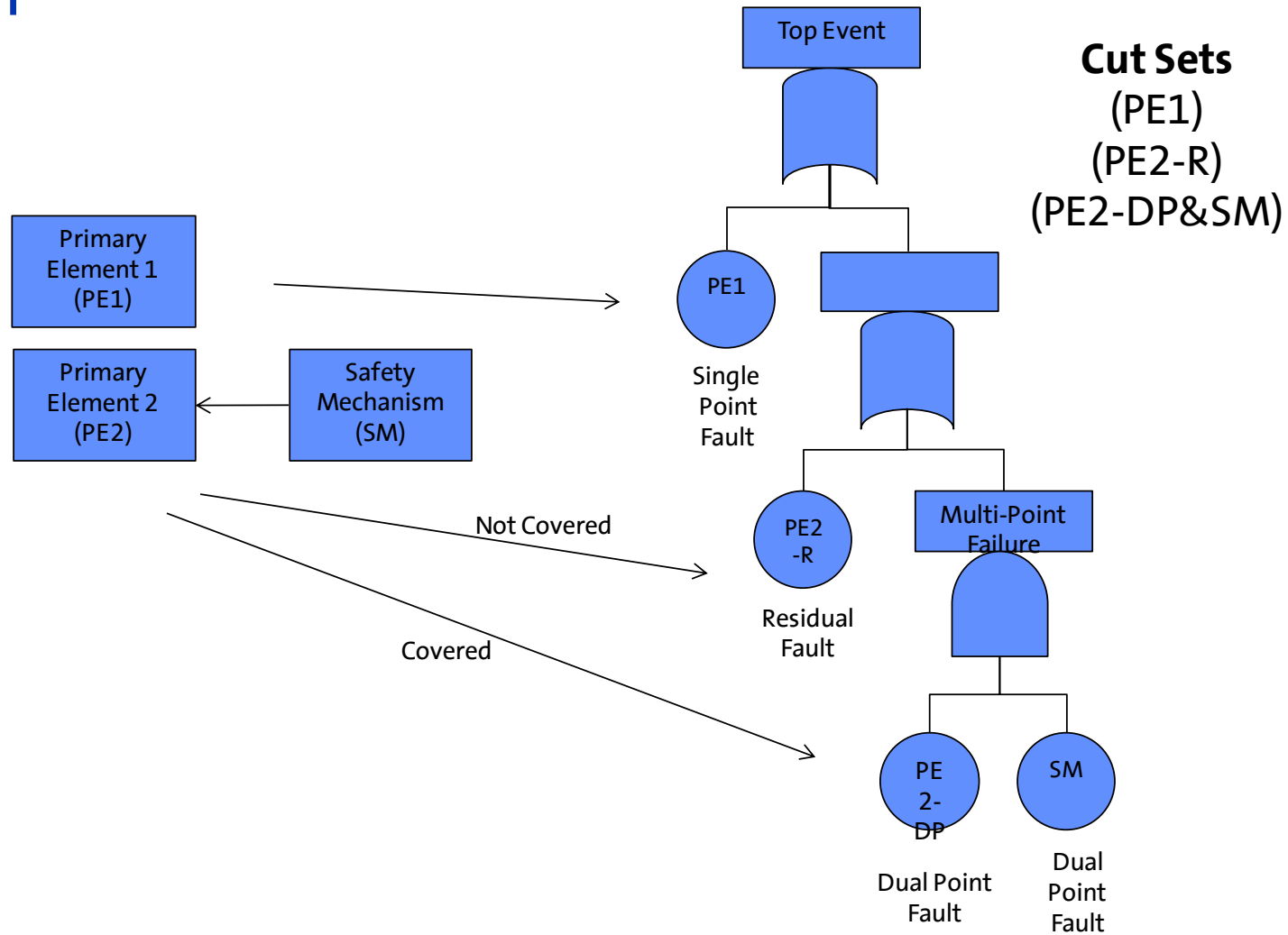
- **Safe fault:** fault whose occurrence will not significantly increase the probability of violation of a safety goal
- **Single point fault:** fault in an element which is not covered by a safety mechanism and where the fault leads directly to the violation of a safety goal
- **Residual fault:** portion of a fault which by itself leads to the violation of a safety goal, occurring in a hardware element, where that portion of the fault is not covered by existing safety mechanisms
- **Multiple point fault:** one fault of several independent faults that in combination, leads to a multiple point failure (either detected, perceived, or latent)
- **Latent fault:** multiple point fault whose presence is not detected by a safety mechanism nor perceived by the driver



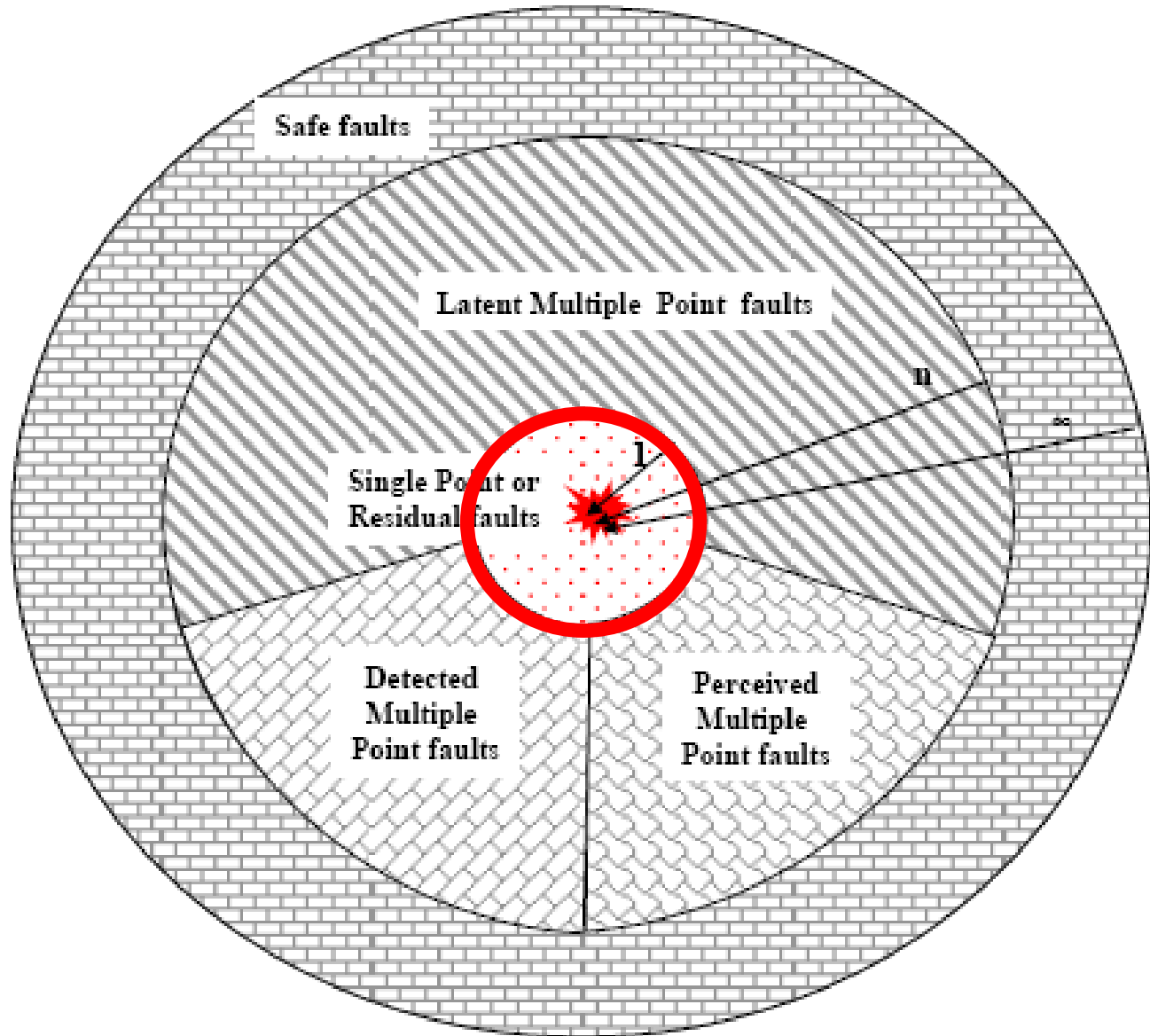
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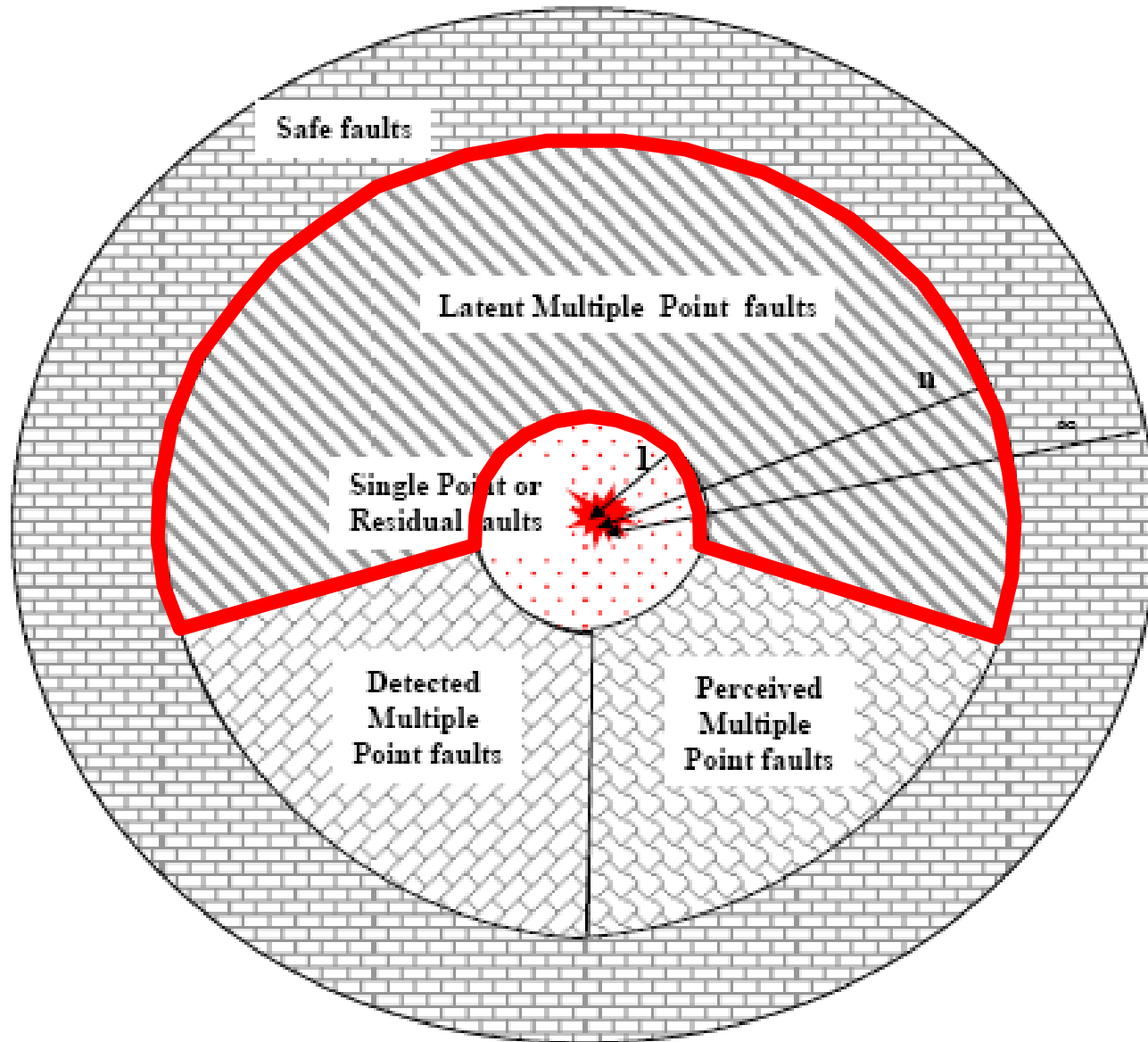
# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Tree Representation



# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Model



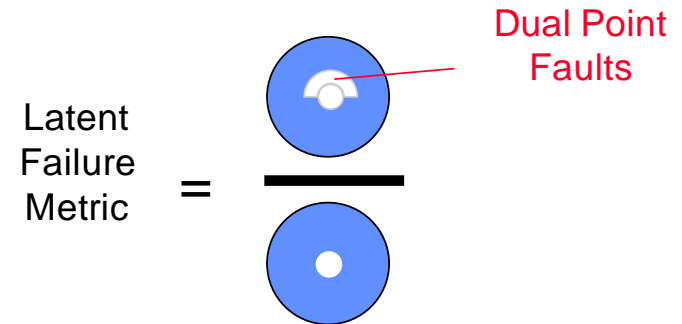
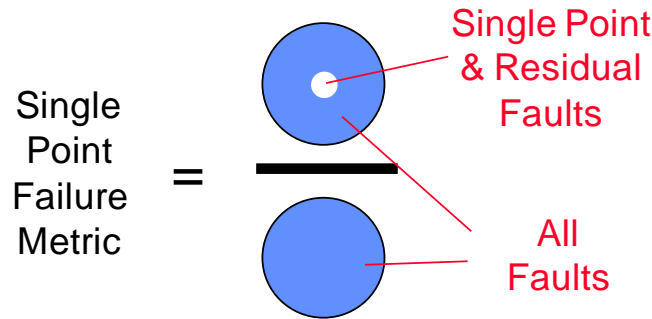
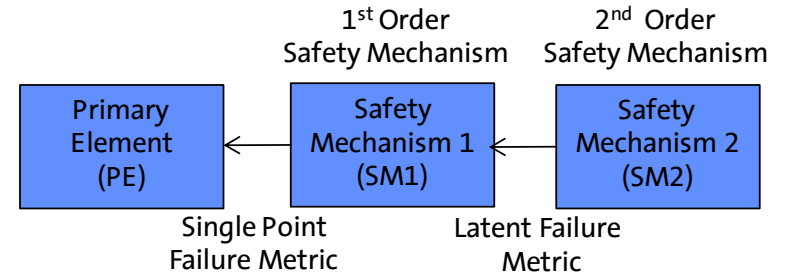
# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Model



# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Diagnostic Coverage Metrics

Evaluates level of diagnostic coverage and safe faults vs. undetected faults

Based on safety goal ASIL



Based on Failure Rates of Faults that may lead to a violation of a safety goal

Table E.1 — Single point faults metric and latent faults metric target values

	ASIL B	ASIL C	ASIL D
Single point faults metric	> 90 %	> 97 %	> 99 %
Latent faults metric	> 60 %	> 80 %	> 90 %

# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Diagnostic Coverage Metrics (Part 5 Annex D)

Provides diagnostic coverage levels for typical diagnostics

Can be used as basis for assessment of diagnostic coverage

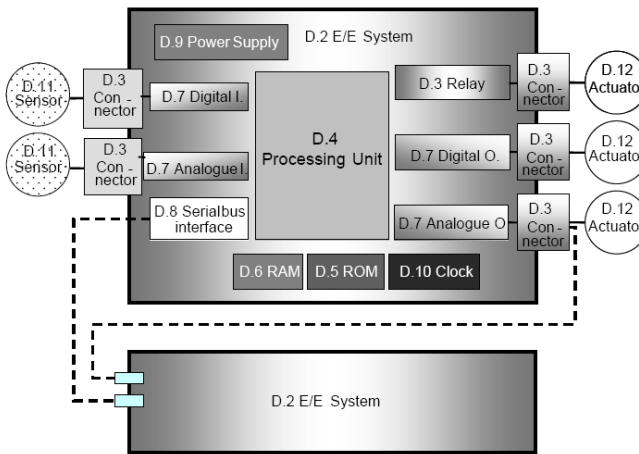


Figure D.1 — Generic hardware of a system

General Model  
Of A System

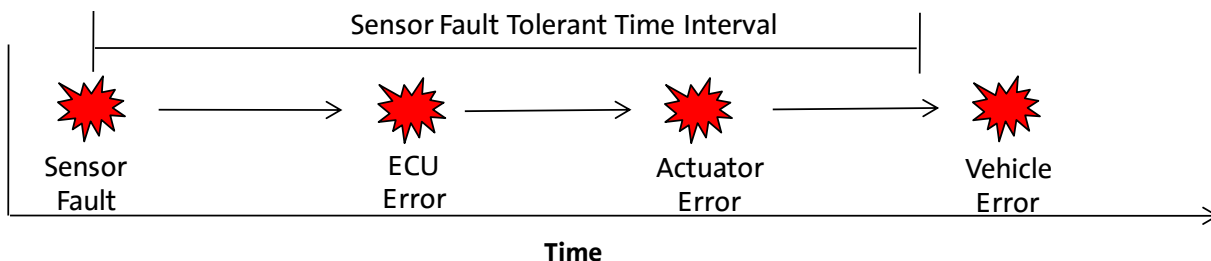
Table D.5 — Invariable memory ranges

Diagnostic technique/measure	See overview of techniques	Maximum diagnostic coverage considered achievable	Notes
Parity bit	-	Low	
Detection of memory data failures with error-detection-correction codes (EDC)	D.2.4.1	High	The effectiveness depends on the number of redundant bits.
Modified checksum	D.2.4.2	Low	-
Signature of one byte (8-bit) (CRC)	D.2.4.3	Medium	The effectiveness of the signature depends on the polynomial in relation to the block length of the information to be protected.
Signature of a double byte (16-bit) (CRC)	D.2.4.4	High	The effectiveness of the signature depends on the polynomial in relation to the block length of the information to be protected.
Block replication	D.2.4.5	High	-

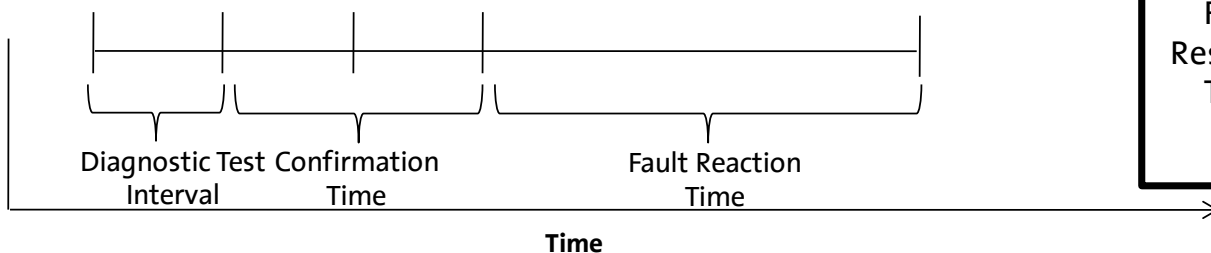
Example Diagnostics & Their  
Coverage Levels

# ISO 26262 Hardware Design: Fault Response Time

## Fault Tolerant Time Interval



## Safety Mechanism Fault Response Time



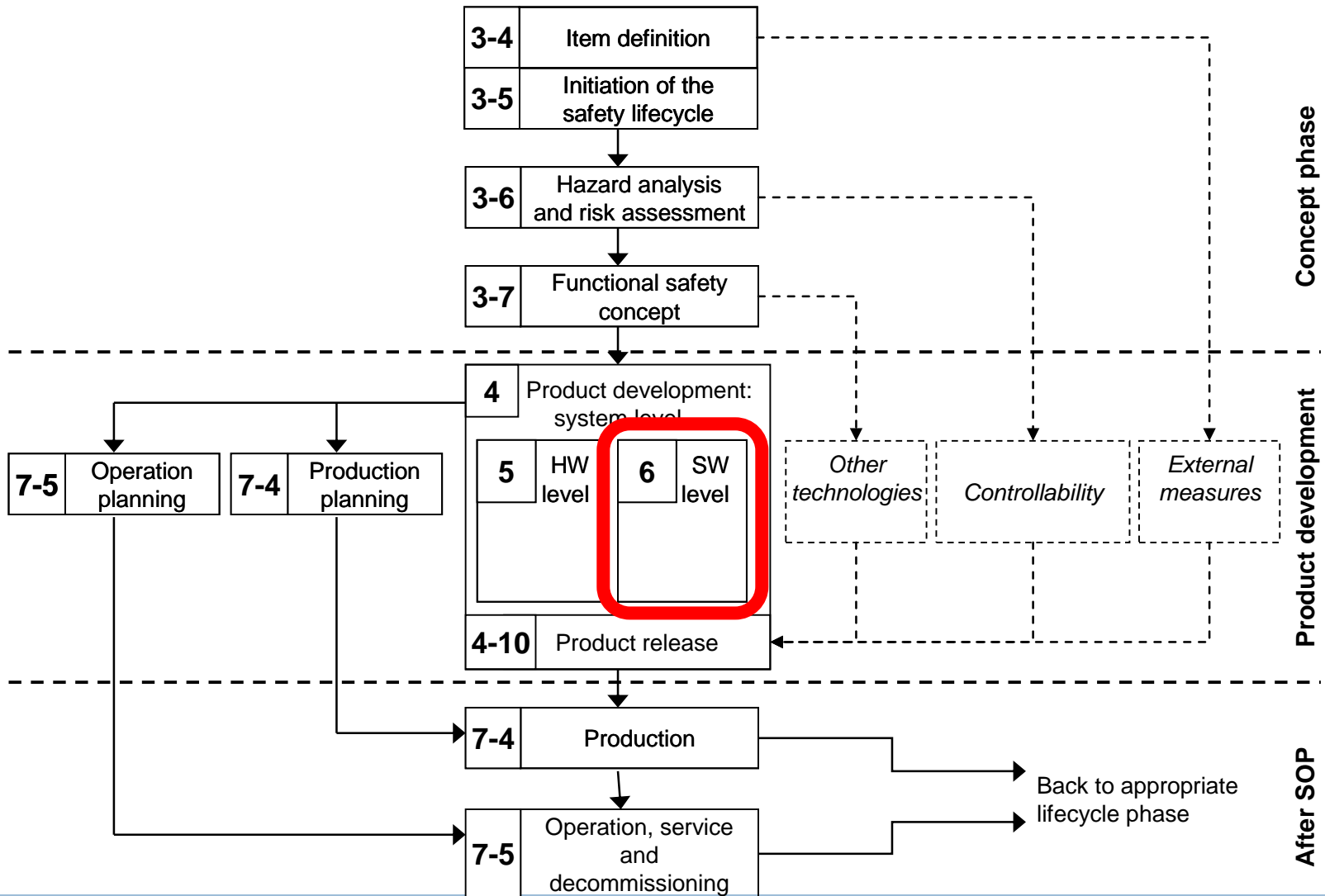
Fault Response Time	?	Fault Tolerant Time Interval
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Also

**Multiple point fault detection interval** - time span to detect multiple point fault (1.77) before it may contribute to a multiple point failure

Typically one to several driving cycles (power up / power down)

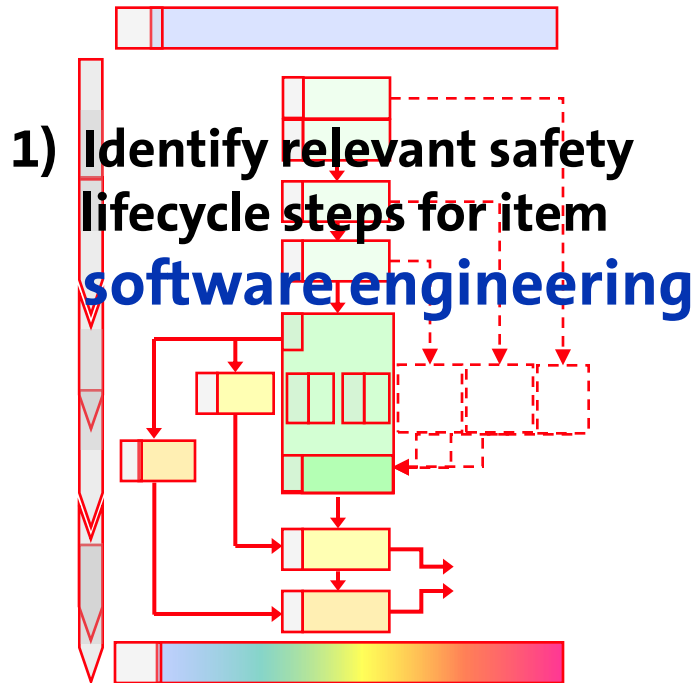
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# ISO 26262 Software Design

For a given Software “Item”:



- 2) Identify software safety requirements
- 3) Design software architecture, protecting for safety concerns
- 4) Design software units, protecting for safety concerns
- 5) Plan and conduct software unit testing
- 6) Plan and conduct software integration testing
- 7) Plan and conduct software safety verification testing

# ISO 26262 Software Design

**Table 5 — Mechanisms for error detection at the software architectural level**

Methods		ASIL			
		A	B	C	D
1a	Plausibility check <sup>a</sup>	++	++	++	++
1b	Detection of data errors <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+	+
1c	External monitoring facility	o	+	+	++
1d	Control flow monitoring	o	+	++	++
1e	Diverse software design <sup>c</sup>	o	o	+	++

<sup>a</sup> Plausibility checks include assertion checks. Complex plausibility checks can be realised by using a reference model of the desired behaviour.

<sup>b</sup> Types of methods that may be used to detect data errors include error detecting codes and multiple data storage.

<sup>c</sup> Diverse software design is not intended to imply n-version programming.

# ISO 26262 Software Design

**Table 6 — Mechanisms for error handling at the software architectural level**

Methods		ASIL			
		A	B	C	D
1a	Static recovery mechanism <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+	+
1b	Graceful degradation <sup>b</sup>	+	+	++	++
1c	Independent parallel redundancy <sup>c</sup>	o	o	+	++
1d	Correcting codes for data	+	+	+	+

<sup>a</sup> Static recovery mechanisms can be realised by recovery blocks, backward recovery, forward recovery and recovery through repetition.

<sup>b</sup> Graceful degradation at the software level refers to prioritising functions to minimise the adverse effects of potential failures on functional safety.

<sup>c</sup> For parallel redundancy to be independent there has to be dissimilar software in each parallel path.

# Failure diagnosis in the run-time safety architecture

- Process considerations

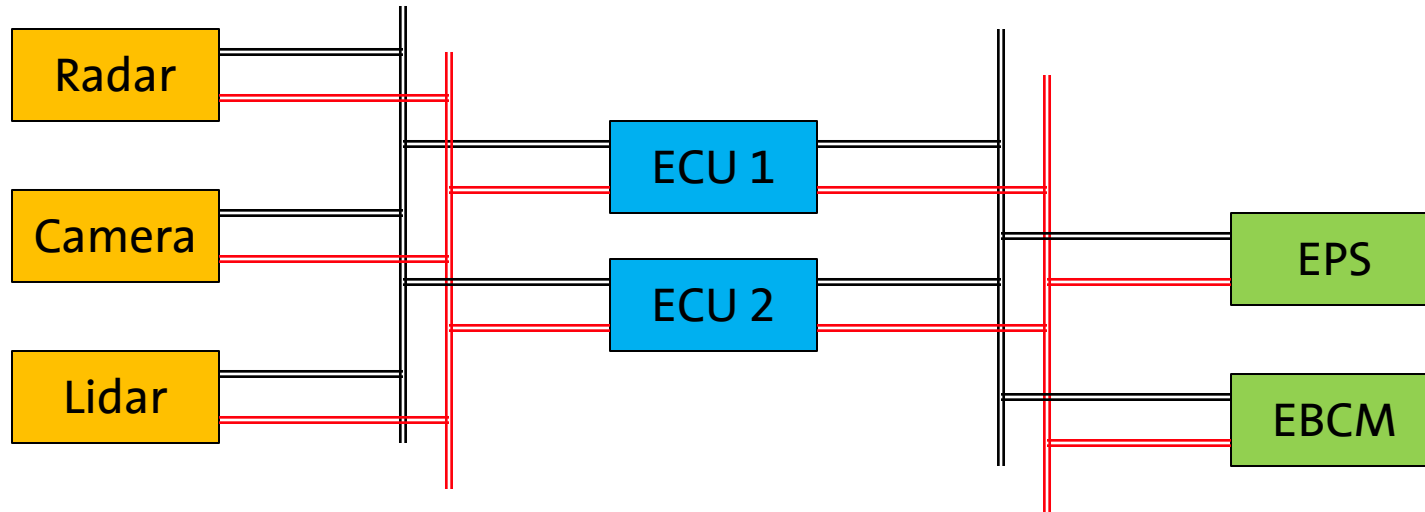
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- Architecture considerations

- Fault detection and fault mitigation

# Architecture Considerations

For an imaginary autonomous steering & braking system



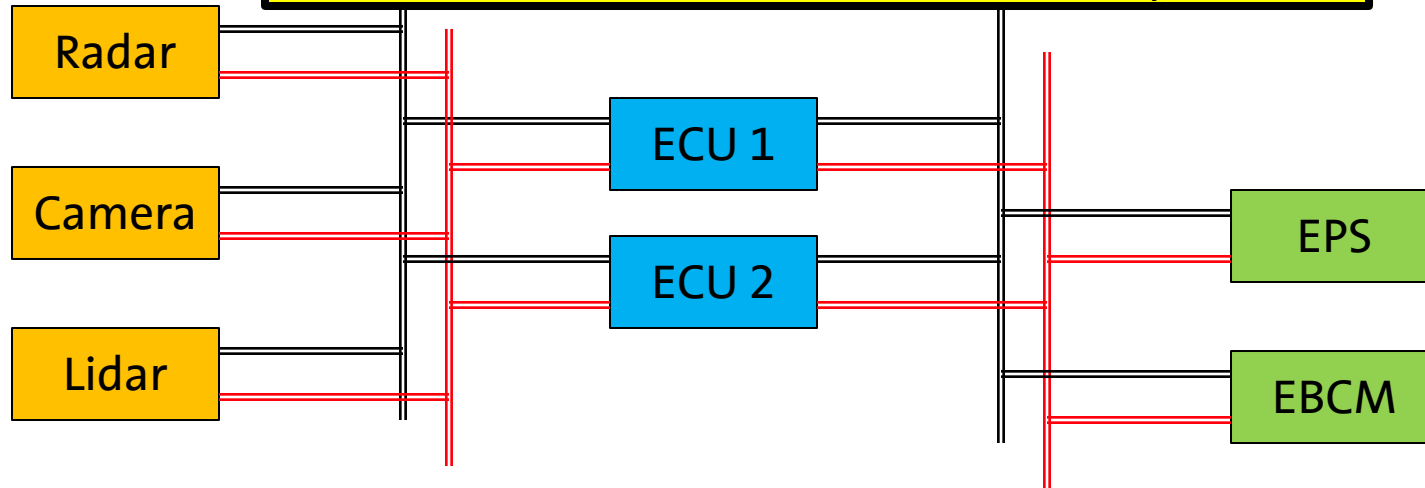
ECU = Electronic Control Unit

EPS = Electric Power Steering

EBCM = Electronic Brake Control Module

# Architecture Considerations

Identify single-point sensor failures to be covered. How to detect? How to mitigate? (Redundant sensors? Virtual sensors? Sensor fusion?)

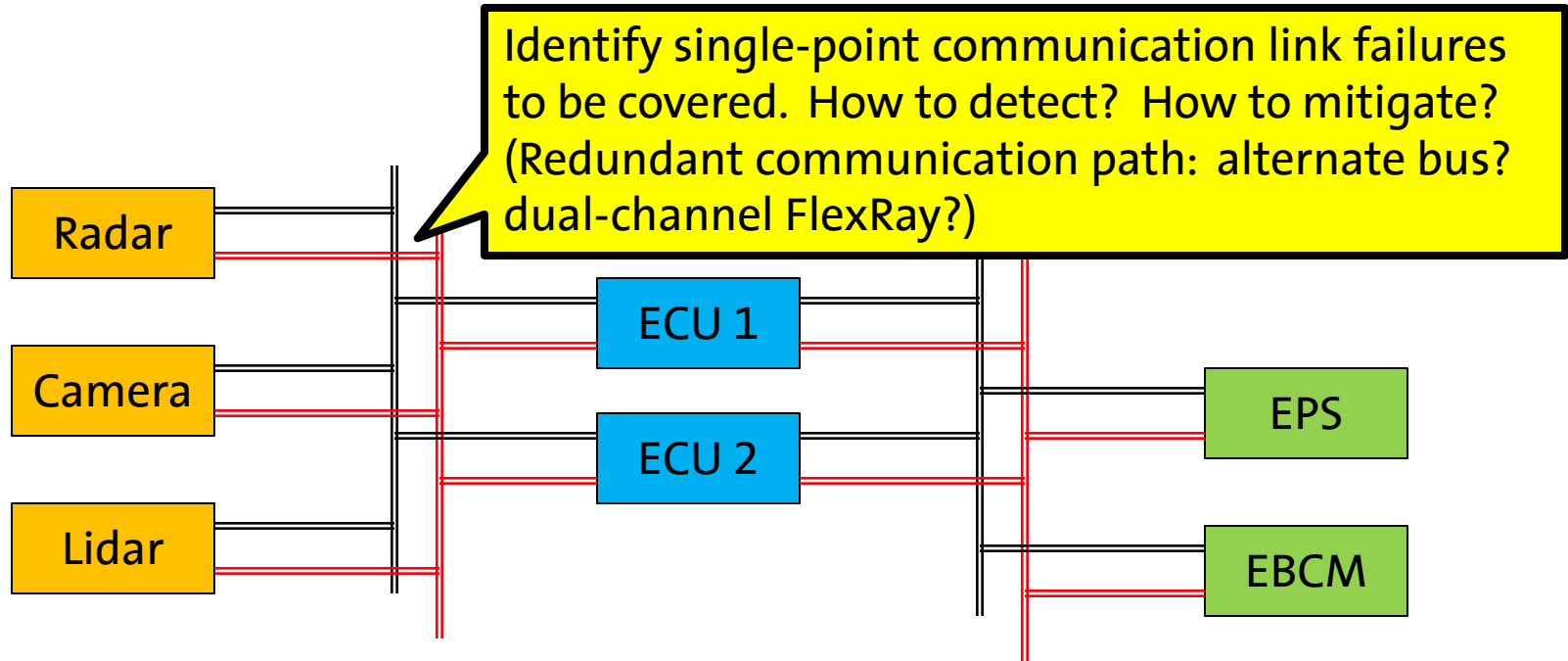


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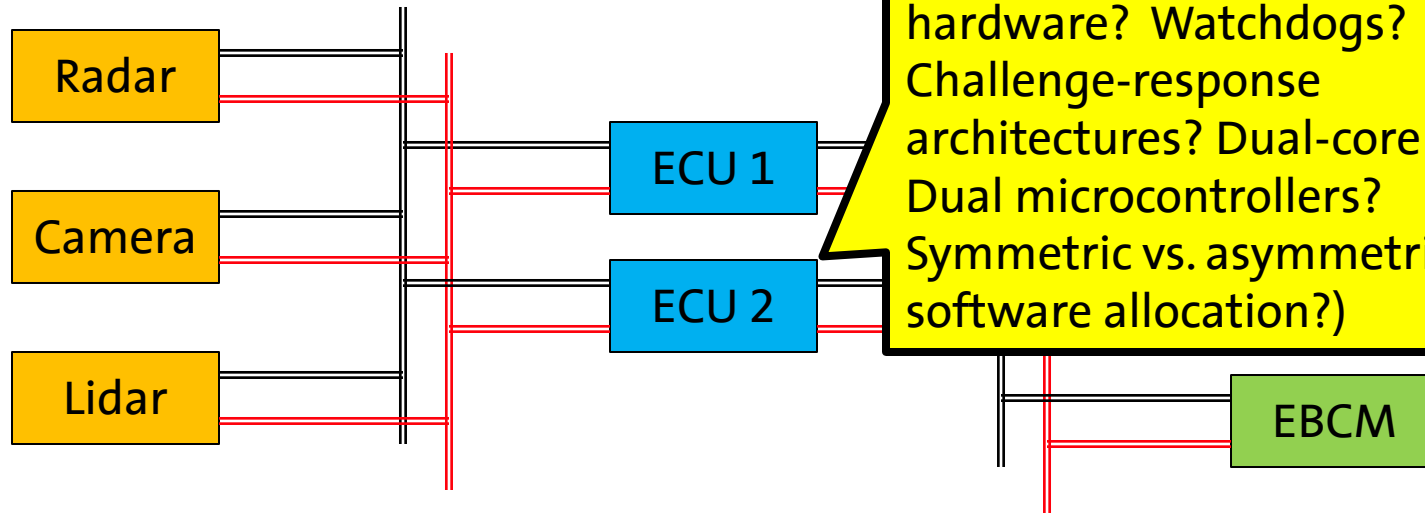
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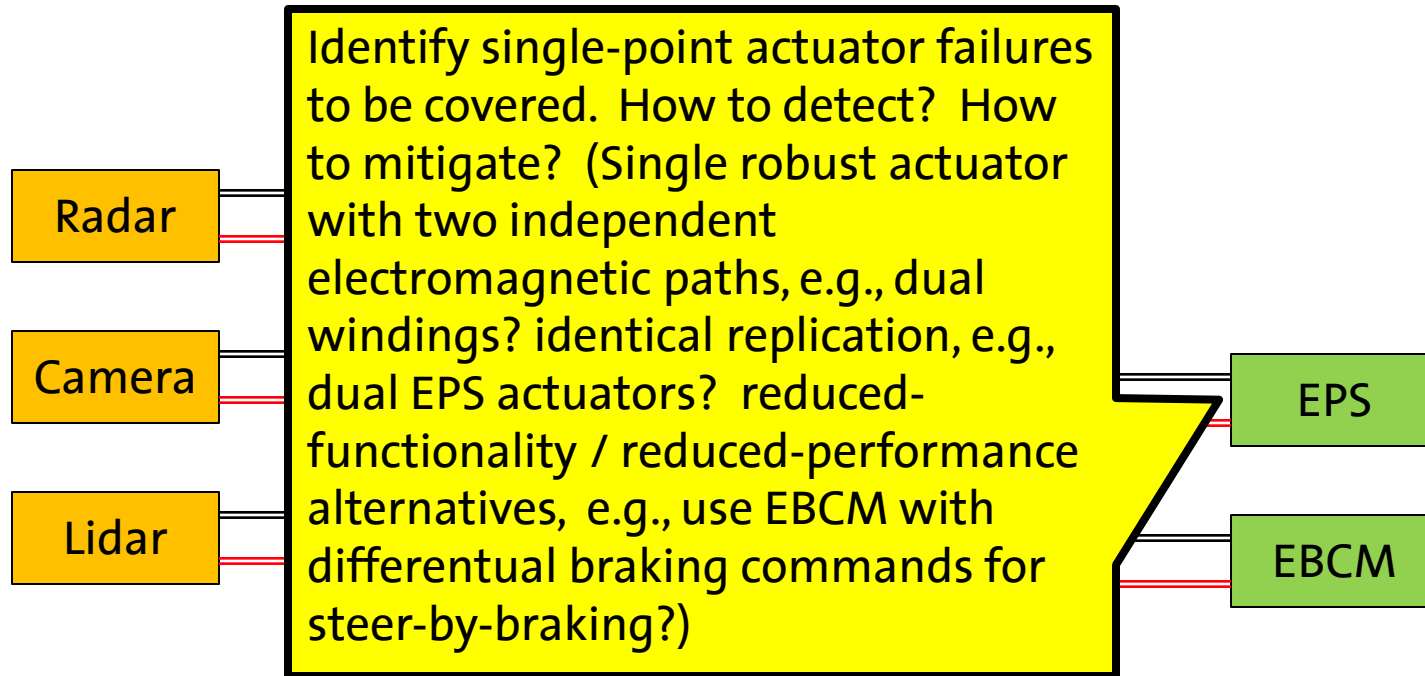
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# Architecture Considerations

- Identify fail-safe vs. fail-operational requirements (per ISO)
  - Identify faults to be considered (random hardware? software design?)
  - Identify fault detection and fault mitigation approaches
- Conduct single-element fault analysis
- Evaluate alternative fault-tolerance strategies
  - “Redundancies” for fault detection (watchdogs, etc.)
  - Application-specific vs. generic/systematic approaches
  - Physical vs. logical redundancies (model-based diagnosis)
  - Symmetric vs. asymmetric redundancy
  - Distributed vs. localized redundancy
  - Fail operational patterns (dual-duplex? triple modular redundancy?)

# Summary and Conclusions

- High level automotive challenges
  - Energy
  - Environment
  - Safety
  - Connectivity
- Role of failure diagnosis in
  - Service / Maintenance
  - Run-time safety
- Importance of fault metrics for detection coverage per ISO 26262
  - Single-point fault metric
  - Latent fault metric
- Challenges
  - Warranty cost and NTF
  - Safety goal analysis for active safety and autonomous vehicle systems, in the presence of uncertainties in road conditions, traffic conditions, weather conditions, driver skill level, vehicle state of health

# Thank-you for your attention!

- Questions?