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“The revolution of autonomous driving and the boost of autonomous motorsport”

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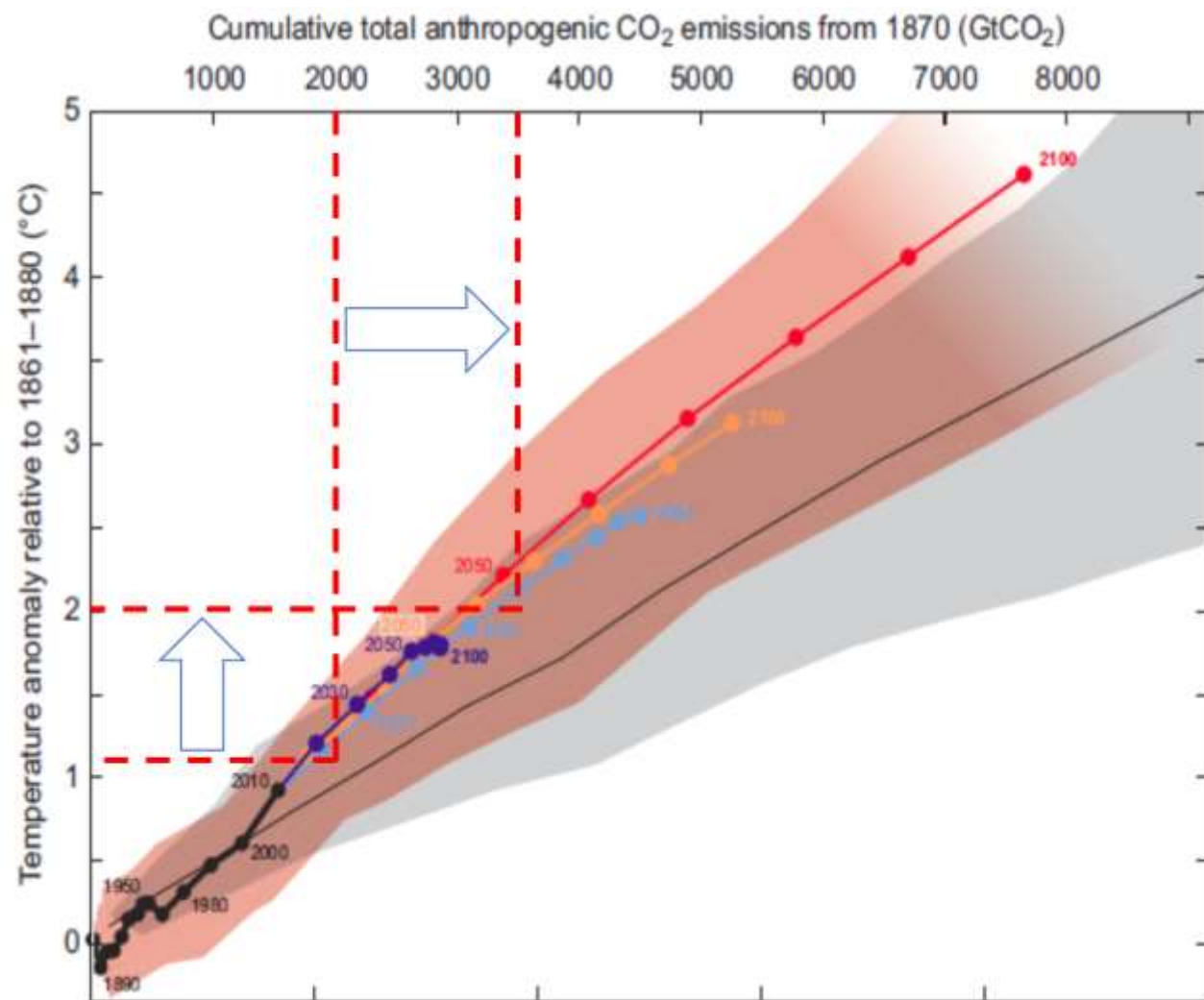
Driving the Next in motor risk



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THE problem: anthropogenic modifications of the environment



Residual budget: 1500-2.000 GtCO₂

Available fossil fuel: 50.000+ GtCO₂!

New mobility model



Heavy&big



Light&small



Fossil fuels



Electric/H₂



Personal



Shared



Human-driven



Algorithm-driven

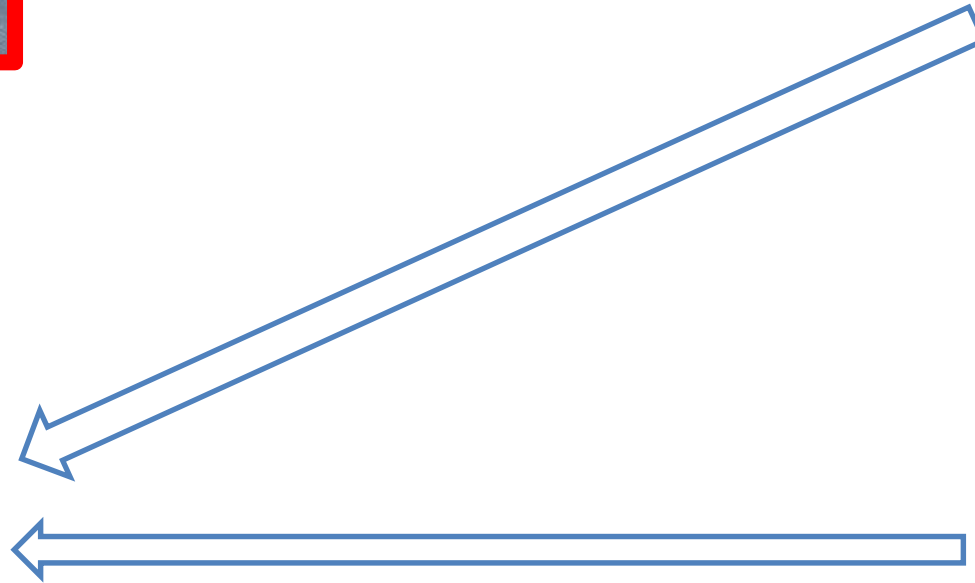


+ «connected» (transversal feature)

Autonomous car = cathalizer



Automation of the driver = «**big-bang**»



Bifurcations

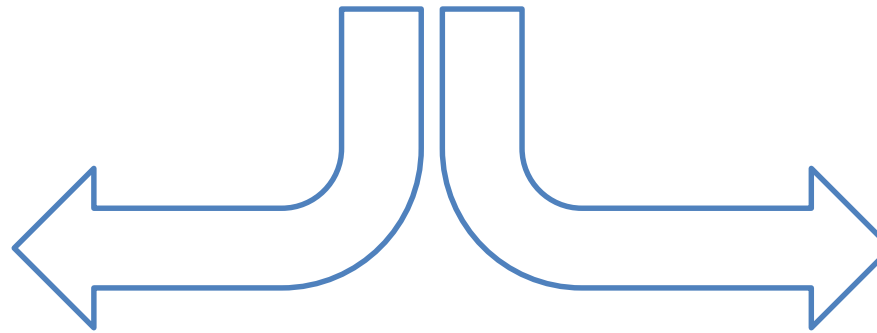
Today: function&fun



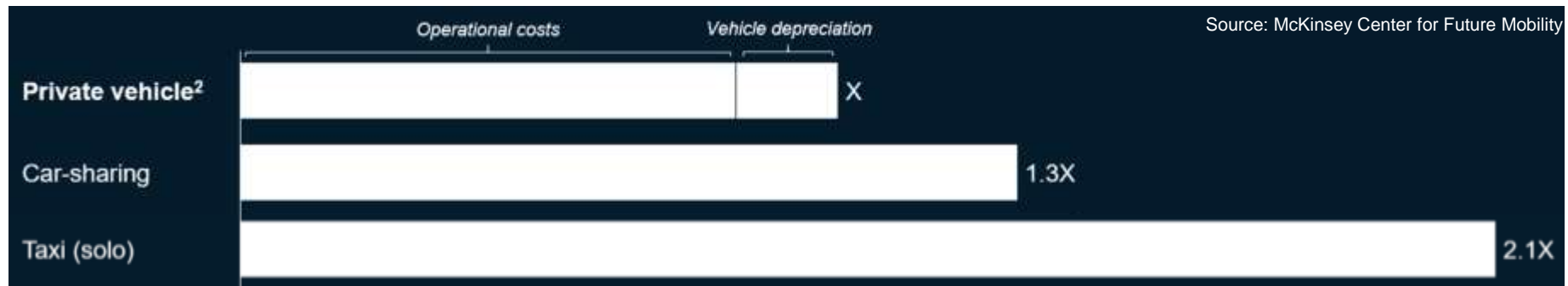
Emotional («red») vehicles



«robo-taxi» = public transport



Car-sharing, today



Car-sharing, tomorrow (MAAS)

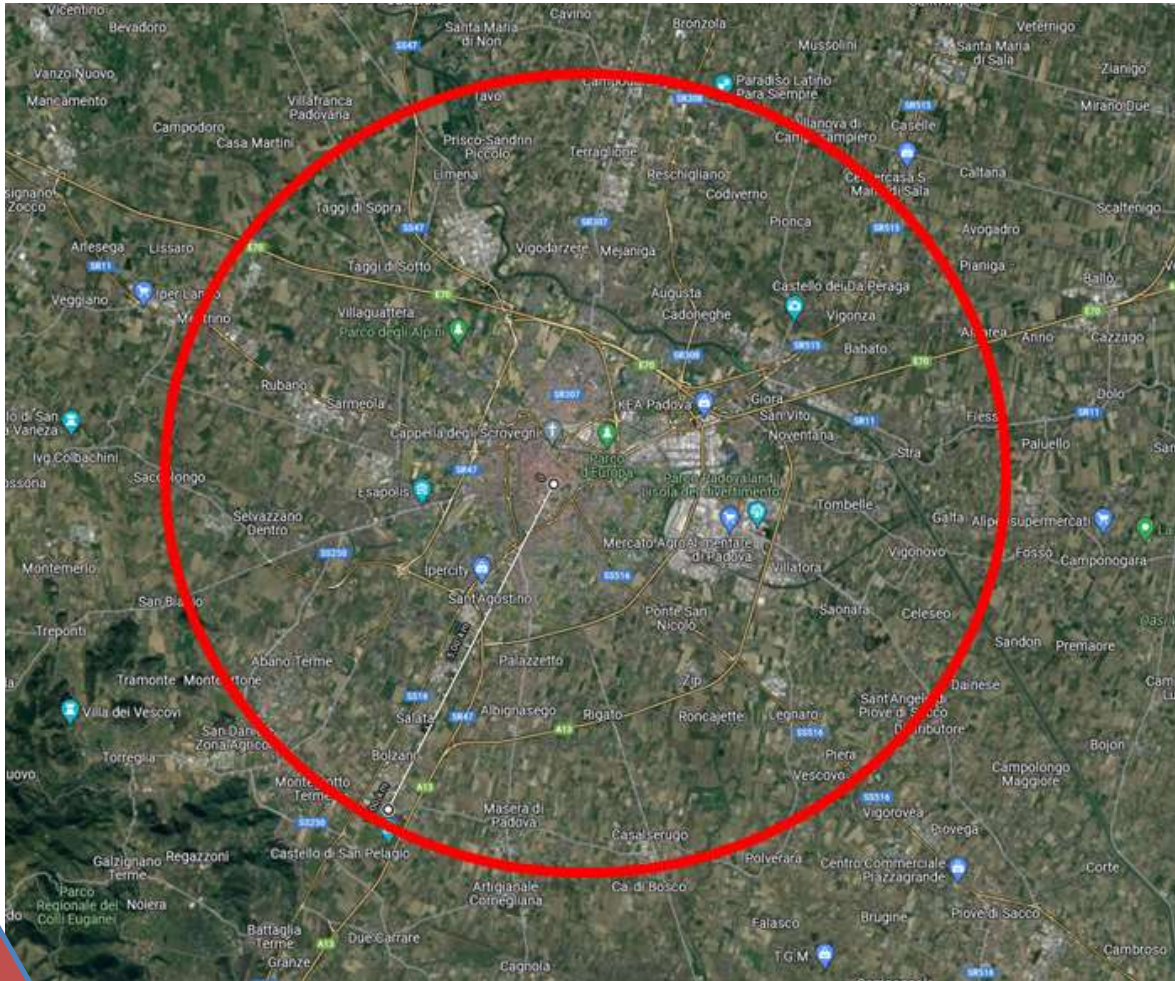


L5 (robotaxi)



L4- (un-manned, low-speed)

The power of data: a case study (PADUA = 120.000 private cars)



Optimal Vehicles Number

4300

Users per car (efficiency)



8.0

Replaced private cars

34.500 (30%)

Average Mileage

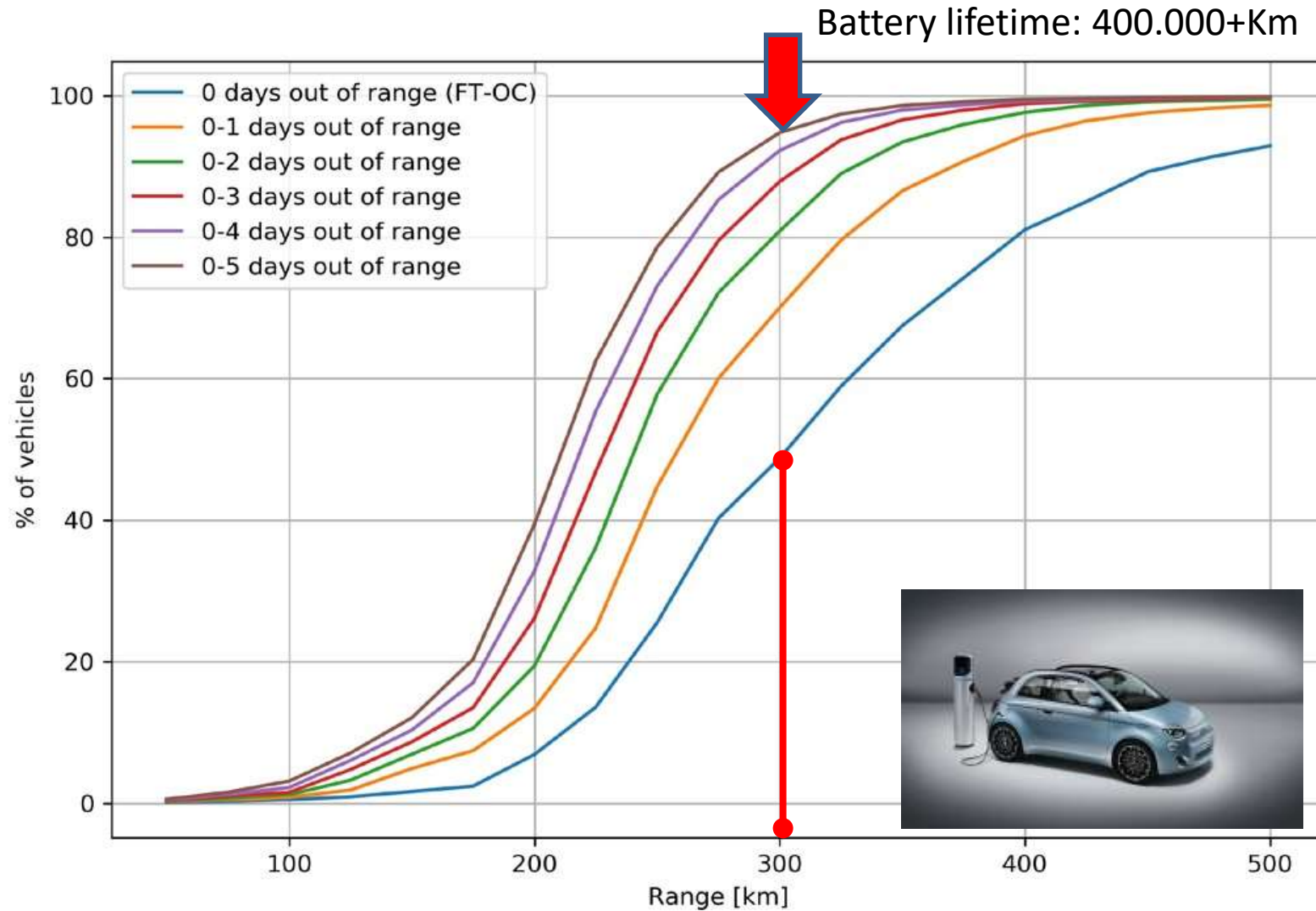
44.000 km/y

Average Wait Time

2min 40s

Main assumption: cars with 90% trips «in-in»

Electric car: mismatch with private ownership



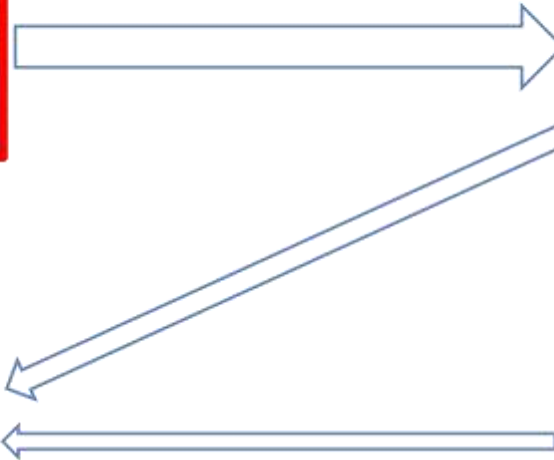
The «right» sequence of events



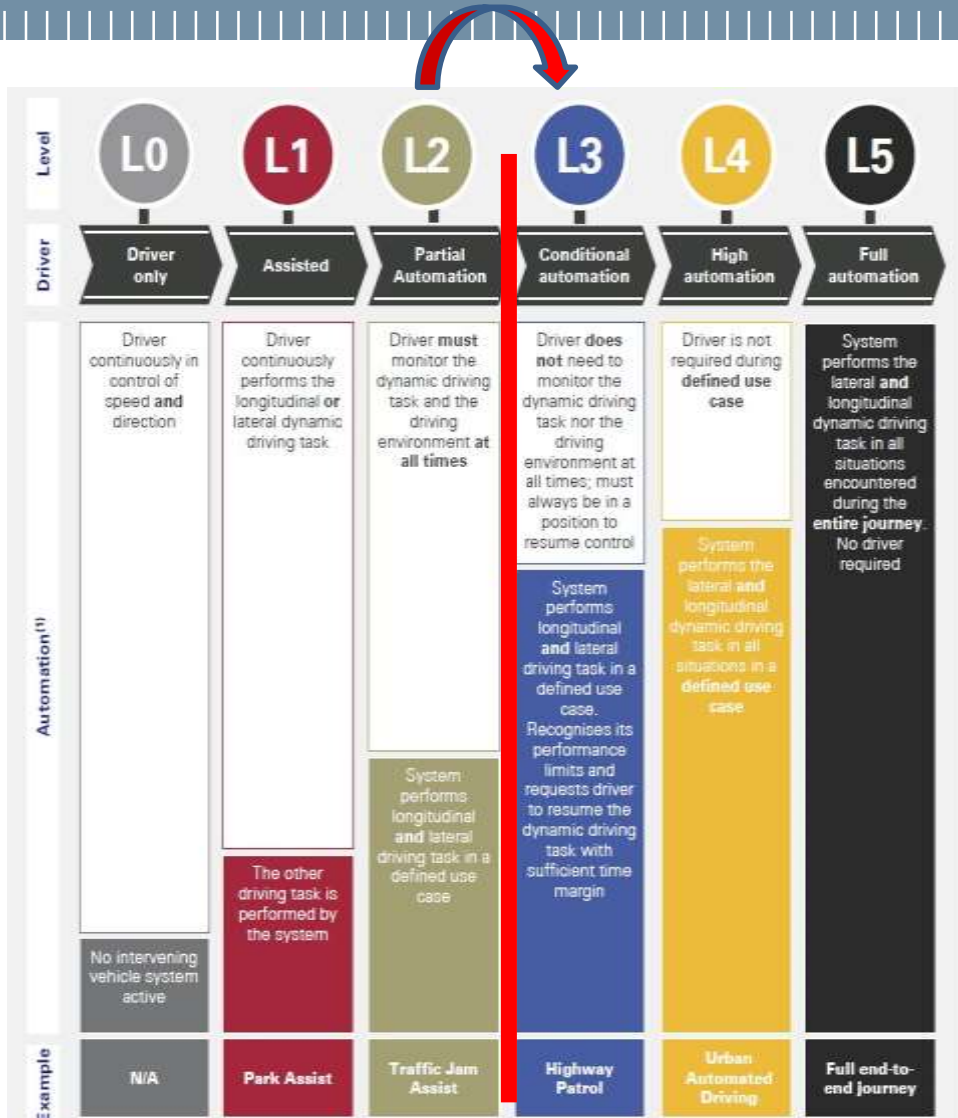
Electric, private (20-30%) > Autonomous (L4+) > MAAS > Electric, shared (85-90%)



Automation of the driver = «big-bang»



From L2 to L5...



Autonomous car challenge: the most important technology trend

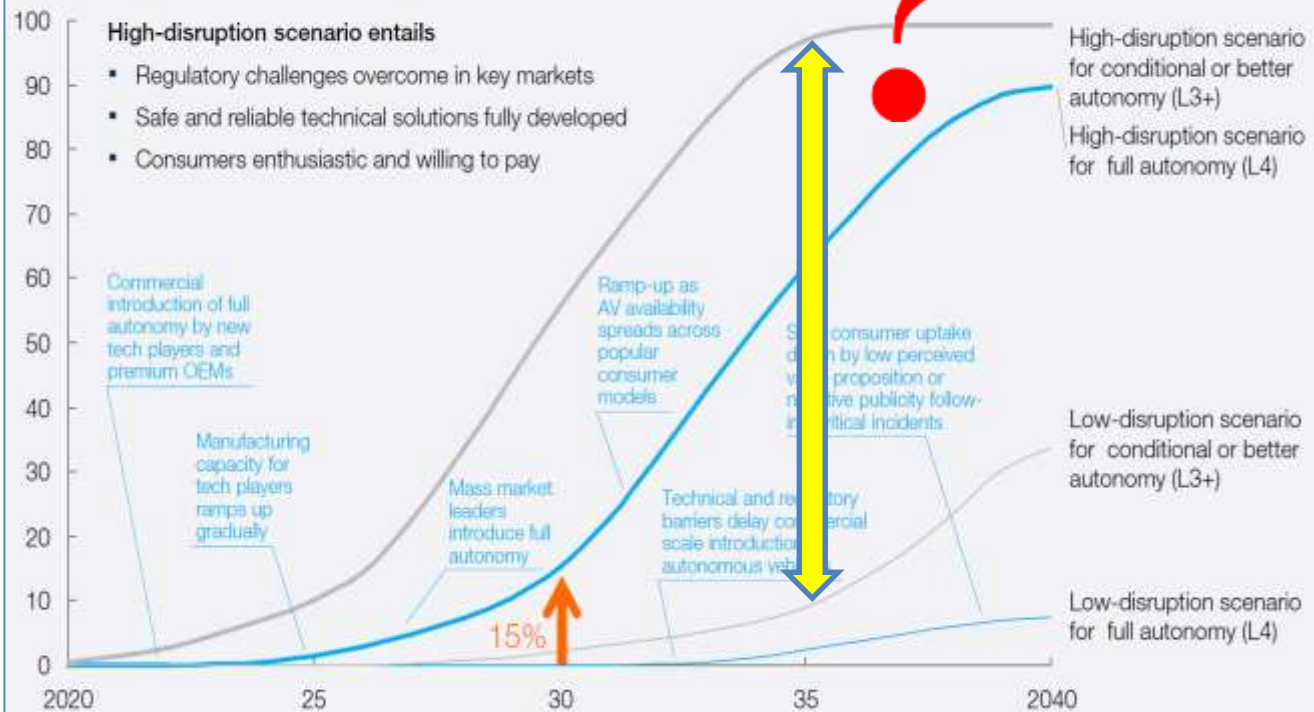
- complete **revolution of the mobility model**
- Major **changes in automotive industry** (tier «0.5», digital players,..)

A technology still to be largely developed (10+years to reach L5)

Roadmap to AV: timing?

New vehicle market share of fully autonomous vehicles

Percent



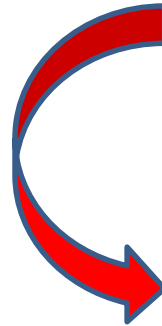
SOURCE: McKinsey

L3, 2035 prediction:
10%-95% range...



A political dilemma...

-400.000 (est.) people killed in USA



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Bifurcations: the virtual way...



ICT technologies are evolving MUCH faster than vehicles and transport systems (**no safety issues; no major infrastructure investments**)

AMAZON-ization of mobility? (people-moving or goods-moving?)

Uber



Uber-ization: mobility as a service

amazon



Amazon-ization: goods-mobility

The YAPE (Your Autonomous Pony Express) spinoff project



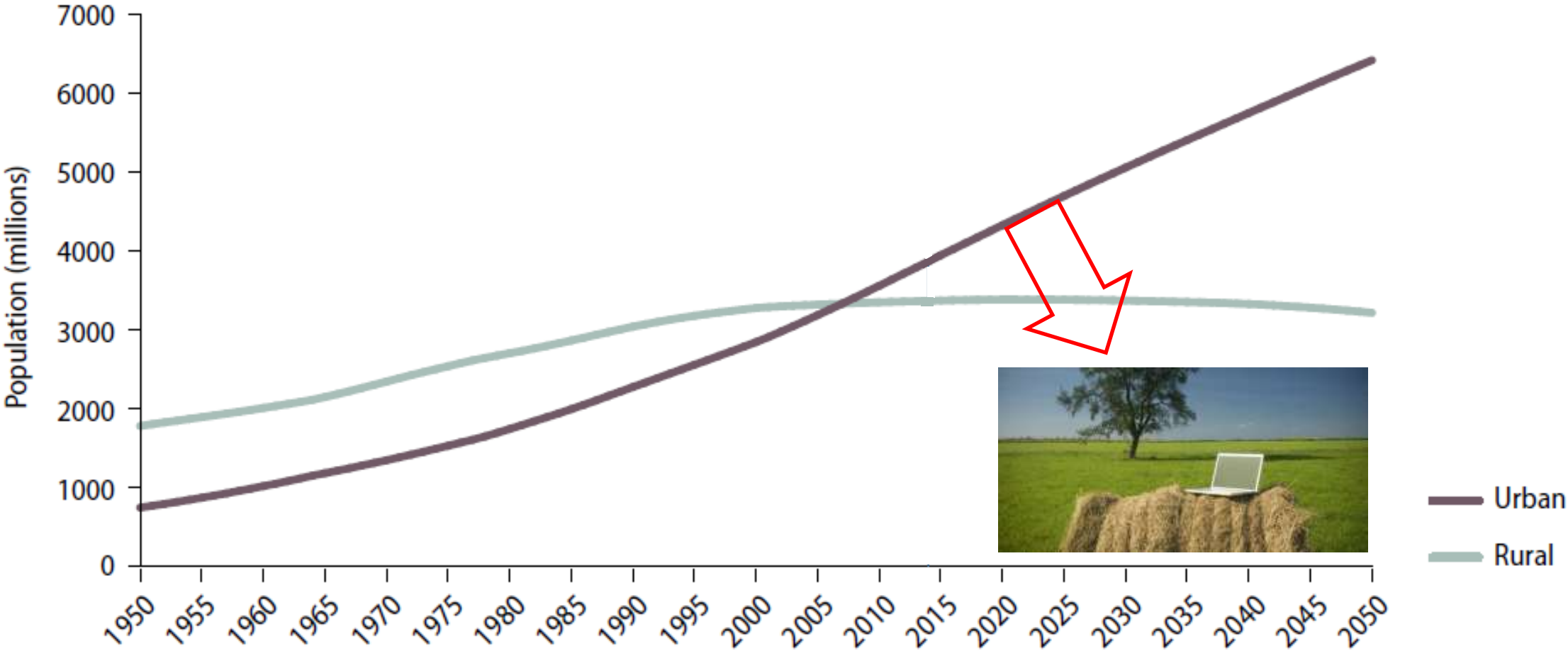
Scenario#1: A bright and safe future for the cities (robotaxi + soft mobility + smart logistics)



Scenario#2: ...a full-digital world...? (threat for physical mobility)



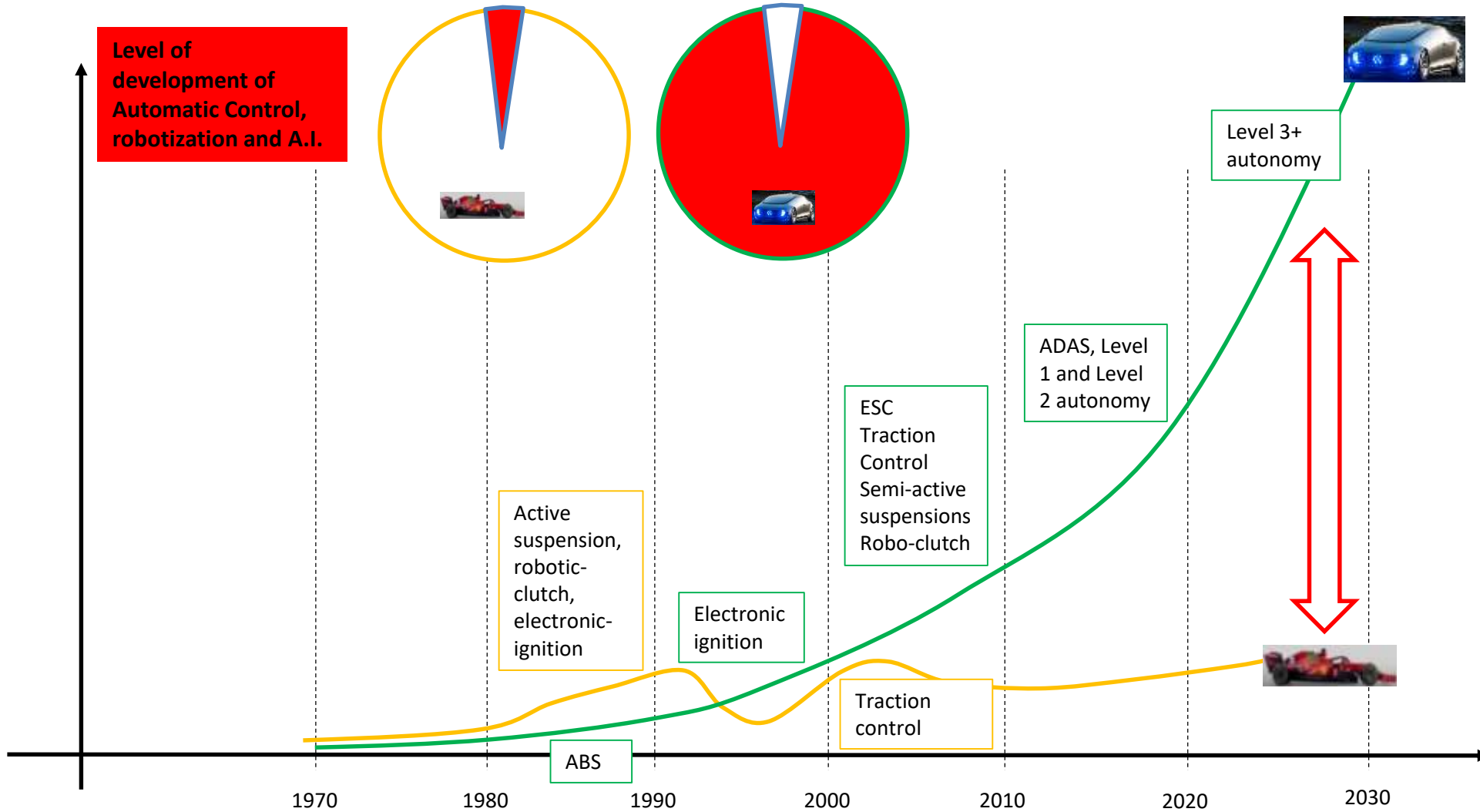
Digital nomads?



Autonomous driving in motorsport



Artificial Intelligence in motorsport: the Automatic Control gap



Automatic control & A.I. are clearly the next big leap in automotive

The gap with motorsport cars is growing and becoming constantly more significant

Autonomous Challenge @ CES (Las Vegas) 1/7/22: the birth of Autonomous racing



Winning team:
Polimove,
Politecnico di
Milano



First ever competition:

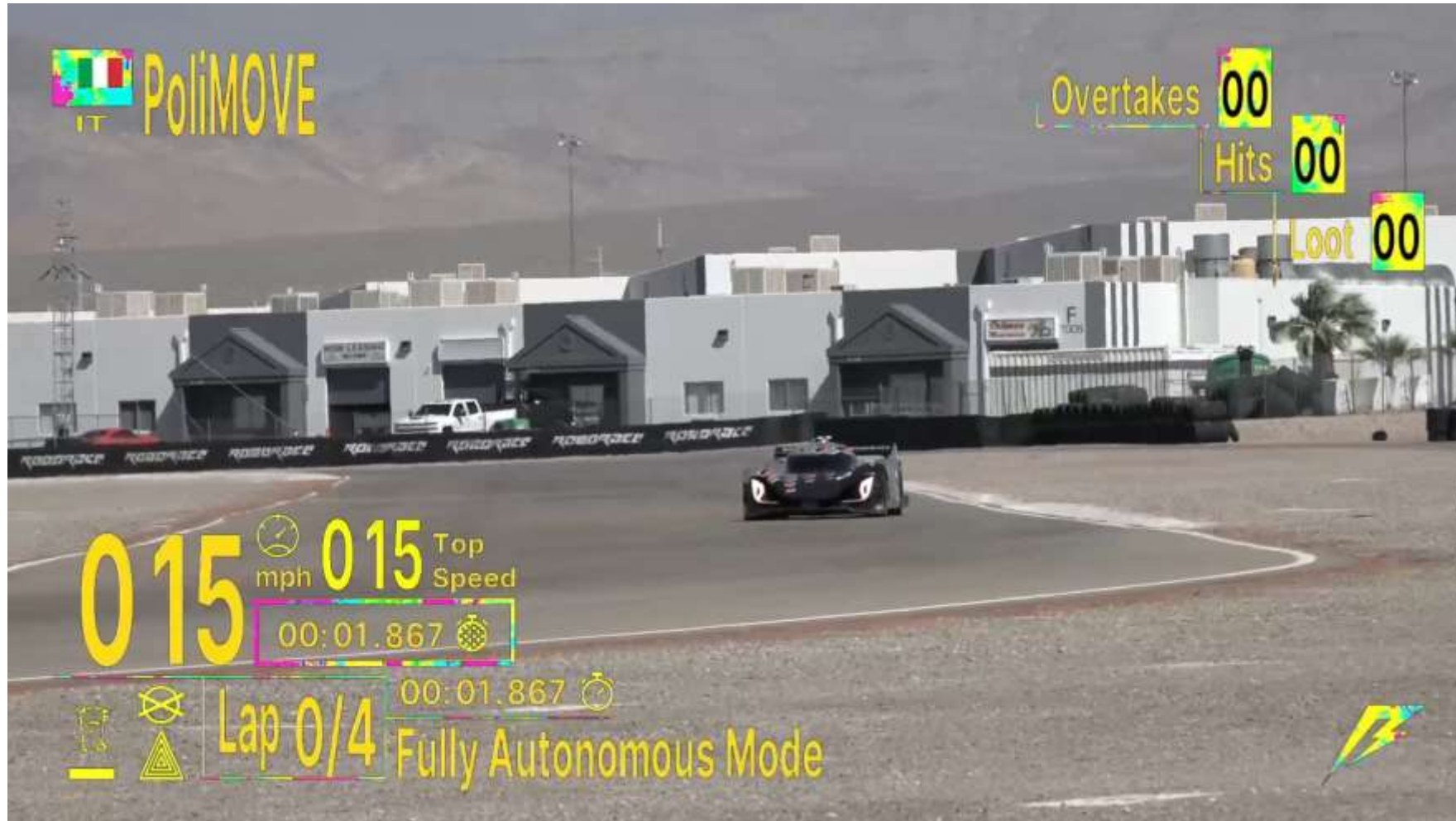
- **fully autonomous**
- **multi-agent (head-to-head)**
- **high-speed (up to 280kmh)**

AS.CAR.I project : (Indy Autonomous Challenge) world record- (27/4/2022) Space Florida launch&landing facility, at NASA Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, FL



New world record holder for a fully-autonomous car: **309.3kph=192.2mph** (two-ways average, average over 1Km); 310.4kph=192.8mph (two-ways average, average over 100m); 311.9kph=193.8mph (top speed). The previous record was held by Roborace since 2019 (282,4kph=175,5mph, two-ways average, average over 100m).

2021-2022: the birth of Autonomous Racing (Roborace, "test" seasons alpha and beta)



Introduction of a **mix of real car and metaverse cars/obstacles**



Autonomous motorsport future formats?

Car Driver



Human



A.I.(autonomous)



Real car (on-track)



Simulated Car

CAR

	Human	A.I.(autonomous)	Real car (on-track)	Simulated Car
Car 1	×		×	
Car 2	×		×	
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Classic Motorsport



Classic Gaming



«Sim-Race» of A.I. Drivers (first step of Indy Autonomous Challenge)



Indy Autonomous Challenge



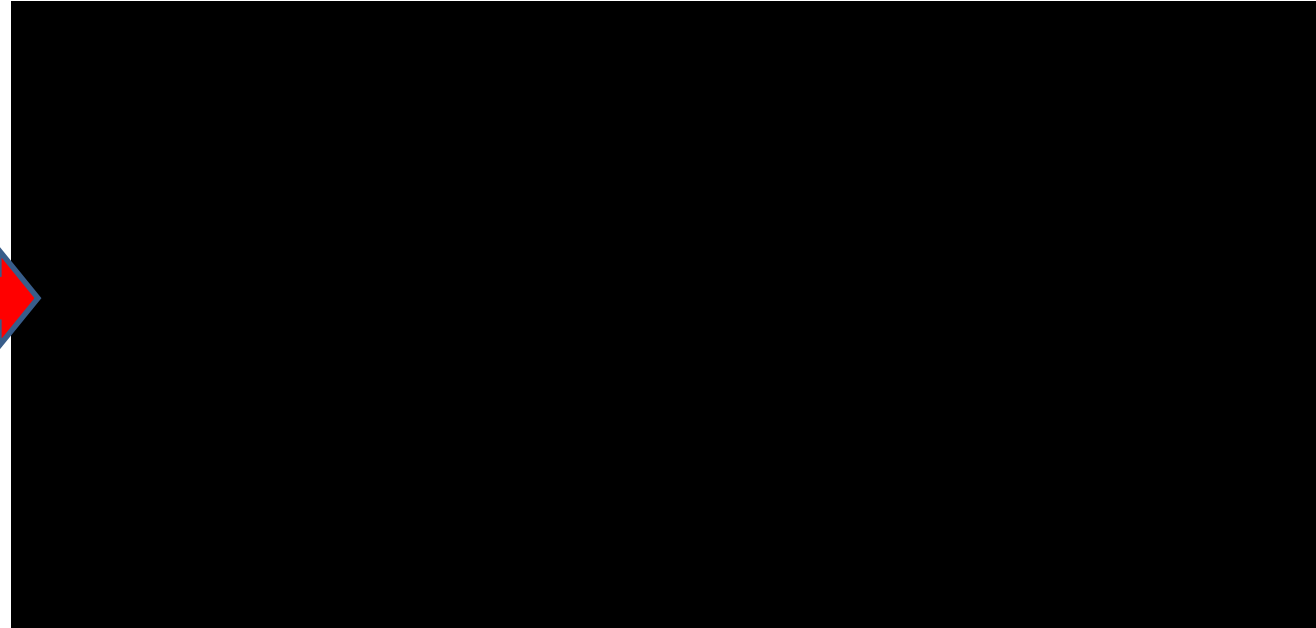
Human vs. A.I. but 1 real car and 1 Holo-car on track



Human vs A.I. on real cars (ultimate goal, higher complexity)



Autonomous racing: what-for? -> "Emergency Module"



- High speed
- Low grip
- Crowded road
- Unexpected situation

Thanks for your attention!

"We always **overestimate** the change that will occur in the next two years and **underestimate** the change that will occur in the next ten."

Bill Gates

