

# Updated Proposal for an Approach to Defining Rules of the Road: United Kingdom Proposal

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## FIRST PART: ADS Safety Topics

### FRAV DDT Workstream

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2. The ADS should recognize the ODD conditions and boundaries of the ODD of its feature(s)
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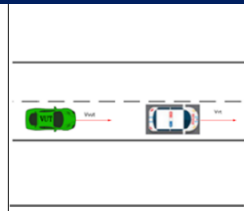
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5.1.2. The activated system shall comply with traffic rules relating to the DDT in the country of operation.

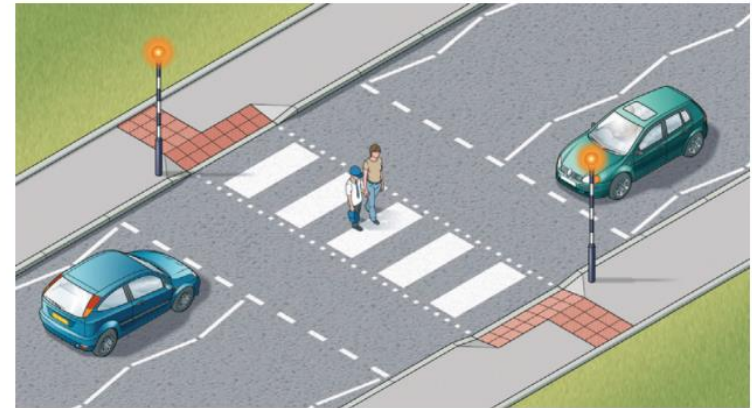
4.1.1. Verification of the function of "The System"

The Type approval authority shall verify "The System" under non-failure conditions by testing on a track a number of selected functions from those described by the manufacturer in paragraph 3.2. above, and by checking the overall behaviour of the system in real driving conditions including the compliance with traffic rules.

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# UK Highway Code: Rule 195

*“As you approach a zebra crossing: look out for pedestrians waiting to cross and be ready to slow down or stop to let them cross; you MUST give way when a pedestrian has moved onto a crossing”*



Rule 19: Zebra crossings have flashing beacons

**How long to wait?**

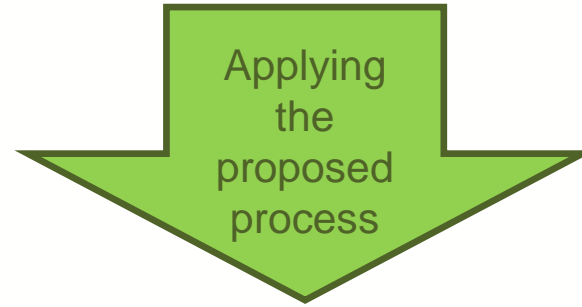
Behaviour

ODD

Assumptions

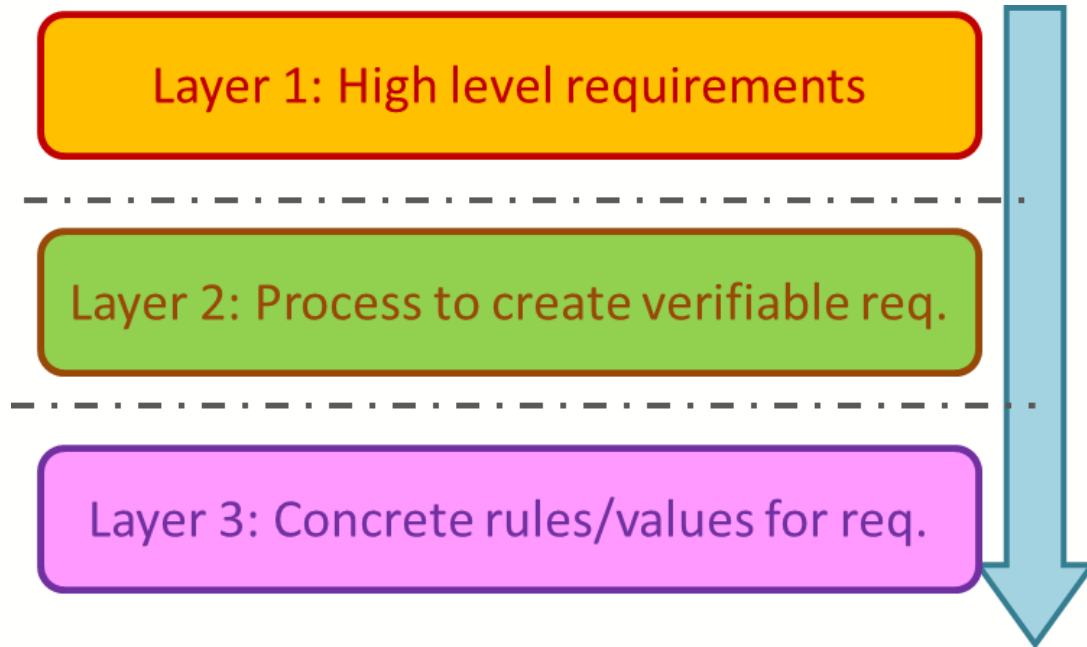
# ODD based Codified Rules of the Road

*Current Rules of Road  
(for human drivers)* =  $f(\text{Operating condition, Behaviour competency, Assumptions})$

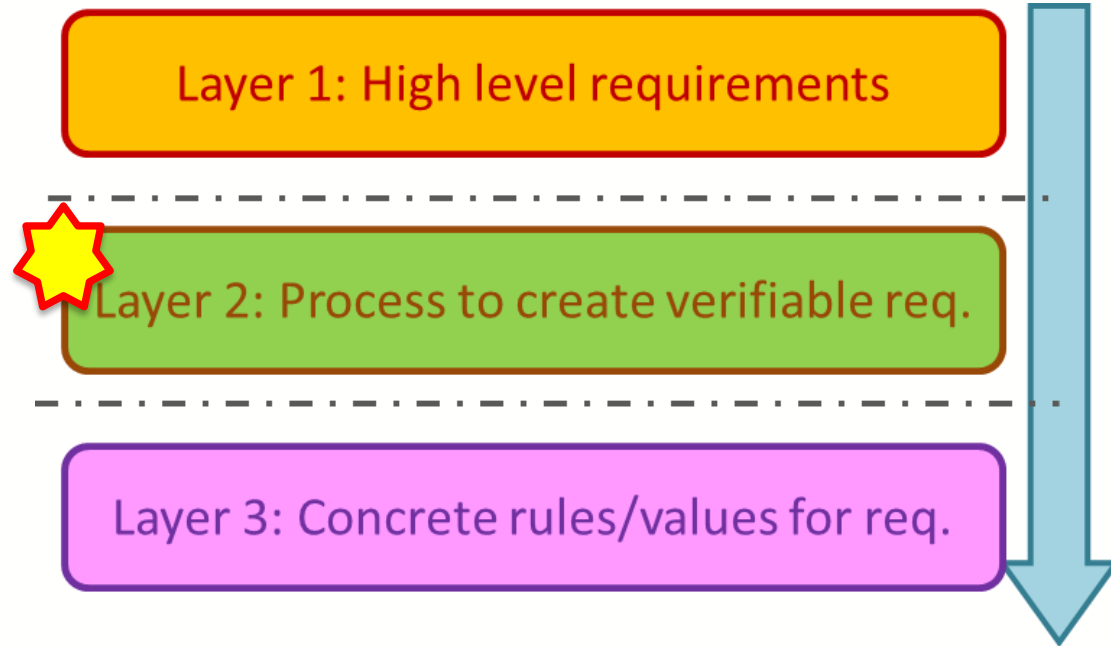


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# Using Rules of Road in wider Safety Assurance

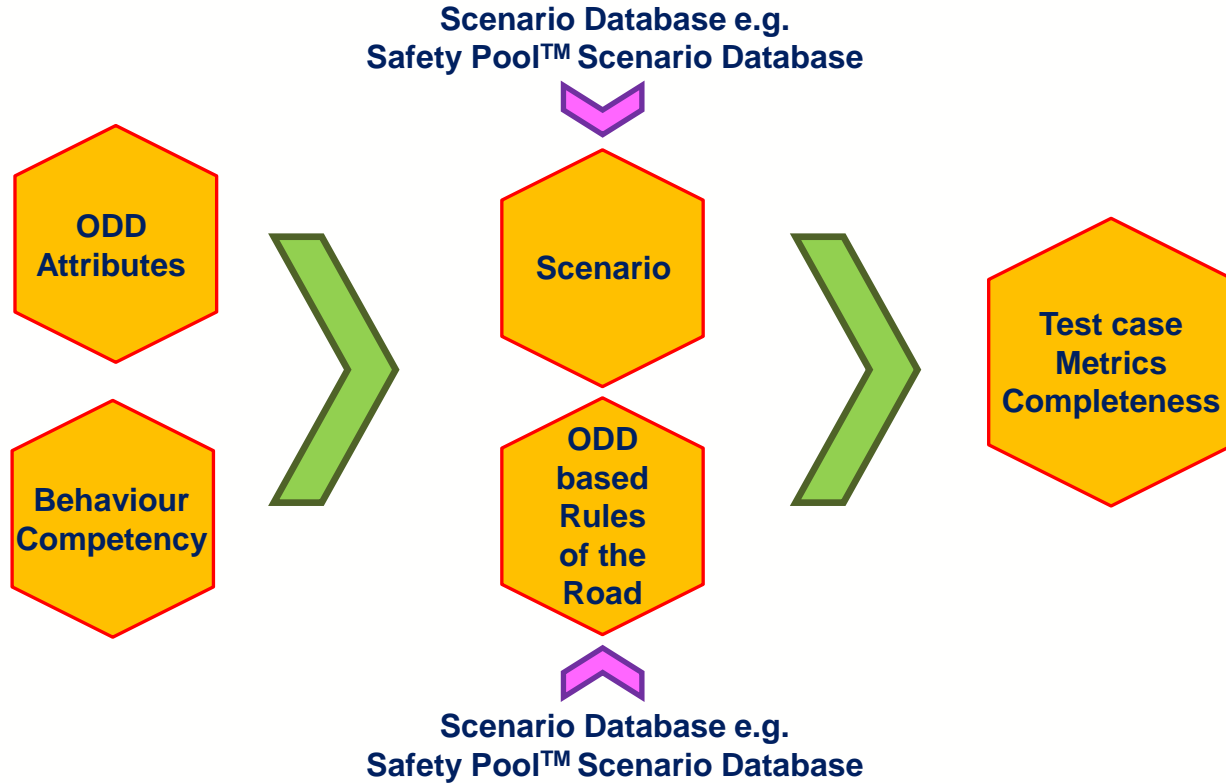


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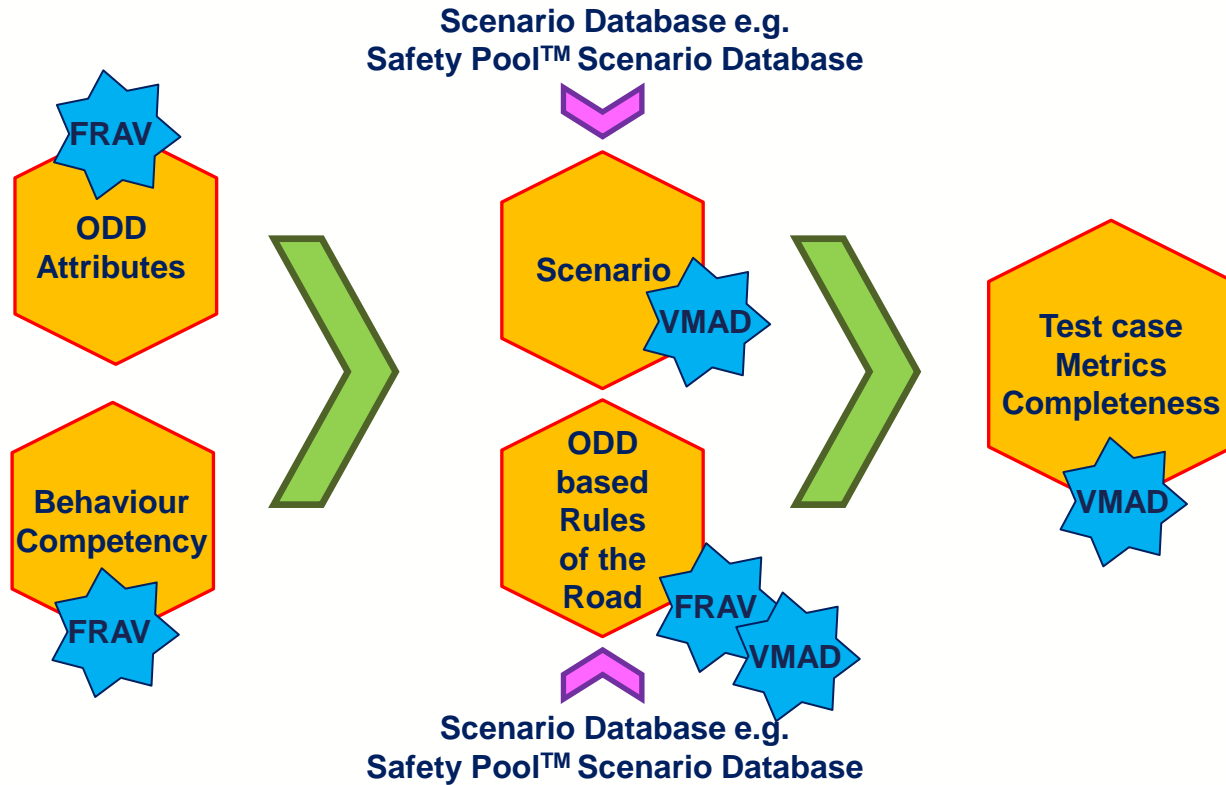




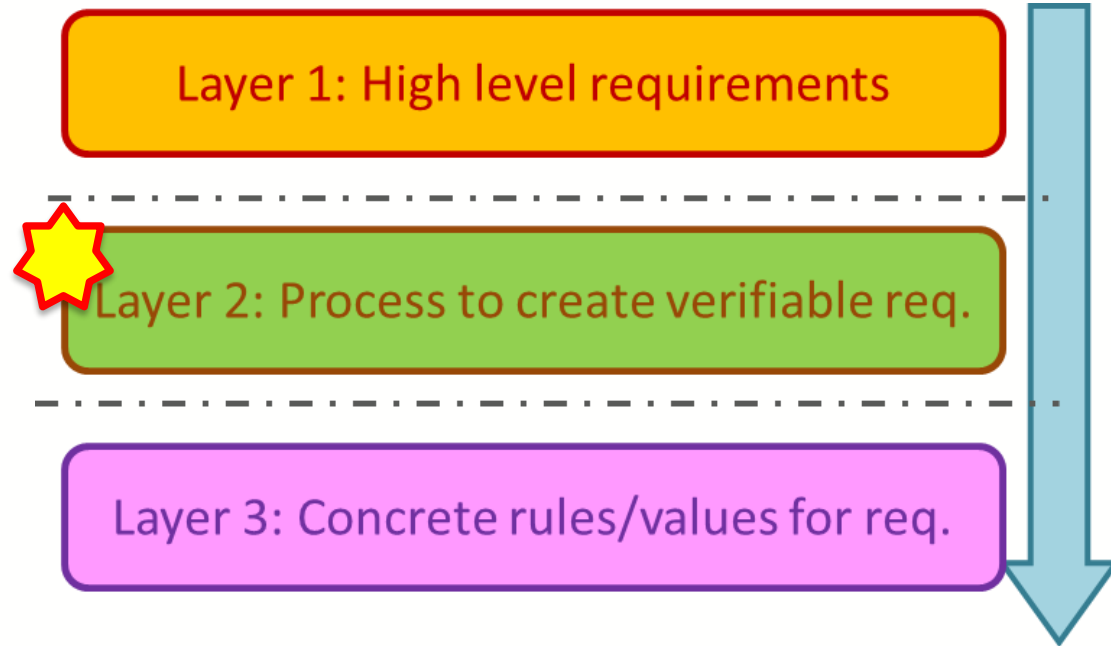
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## UK Highway Code Rule 125

- The speed limit is the absolute maximum and does not mean it is safe to drive at that speed irrespective of conditions. Driving at speeds too fast for the road and traffic conditions is dangerous. You should always reduce your speed when:
  - the road layout or condition presents hazards, such as bends
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  - weather conditions make it safer to do so
  - driving at night as it is more difficult to see other road users.

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Behaviour	
Scenery	
Actor	
Environment	
Rule/Parameter	
Qualifying	
Problematic word use	
Gray Text	Non-Informative

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- ▶  $\text{isVehicle}(x) \rightarrow \text{speed}(x) < \text{limit}(\text{speed})$
- ▶  $\text{isVehicle}(x) \wedge (\text{isAtHazard}(x) \vee (\text{near}(x, a_1) \wedge \text{isPedestrian}(a_1)) \vee (\text{near}(x, a_2) \wedge \text{isCyclist}(a_2)) \vee (\text{near}(x, a_3) \wedge \text{isHorseRider}(a_3)) \vee (\text{near}(x, a_4) \wedge \text{isChildren}(a_4)) \vee (\text{near}(x, a_5) \wedge \text{isMotorcyclist}(a_5)) \vee \text{isUnsafeWeather}(\text{env}) \vee \text{isNight}(\text{tod})) \rightarrow \text{action}(\text{reduceSpeed})$

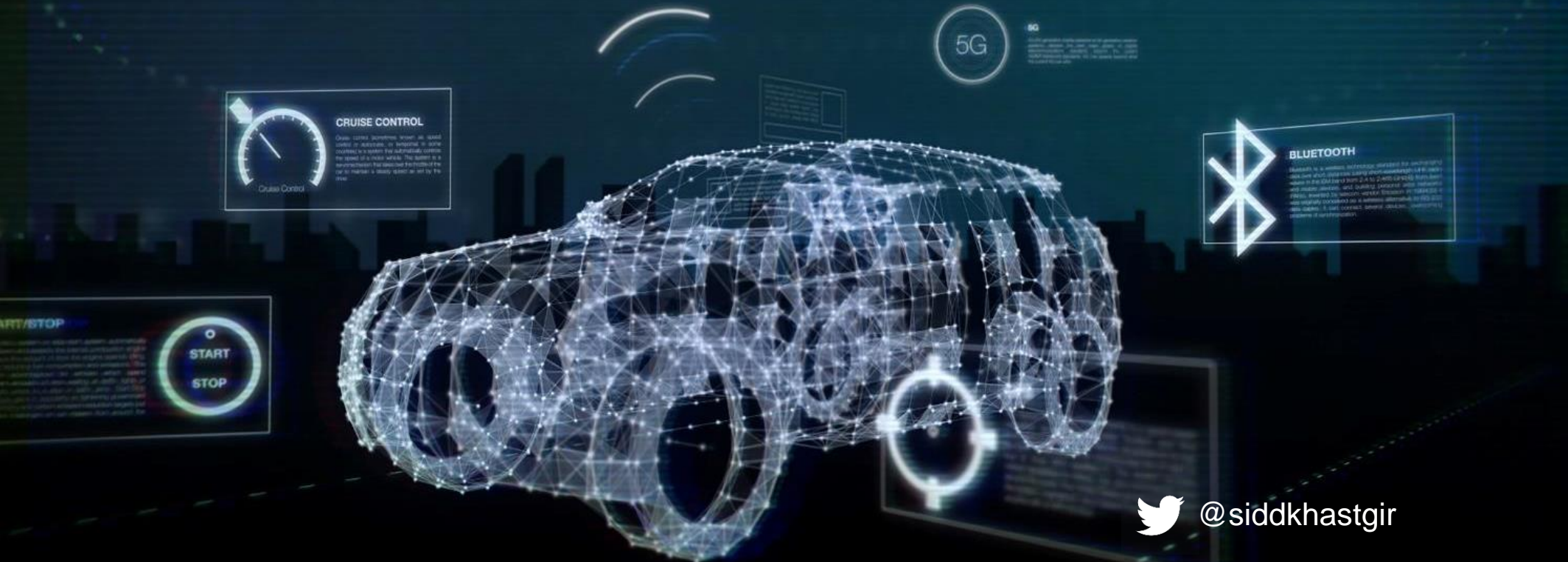
Define “near” ;  
“hazard” ;  
“UnsafeWeather”

$(\text{near}(x, a_1) \wedge \neg \text{isVehicle}(a_1))$

We define vehicle to be anything that is a four wheeler or larger

Need to define what reduceSpeed means  
What would an acceptable “slow” speed mean?

# Thank you... Discussions...



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