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“移動”イノベーション

ゆっくり自動運転<sup>®</sup>のチャレンジ  
Slocar Self-driving System

# 「安全・安心なロボティックス」

## Towards Comfortable Autonomous Vehicles

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- What is missing in Autonomous Vehicles
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- Experimentation with Personal Mobility Vehicles

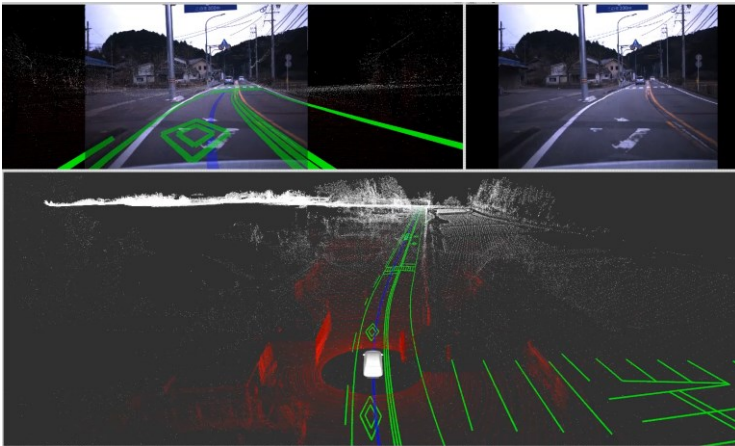




# State of the Art in Autonomous Navigation

Necessary Technical Elements

- Map Building
- Localization
- Path Planning (Global, Local)
- Autonomous Navigation

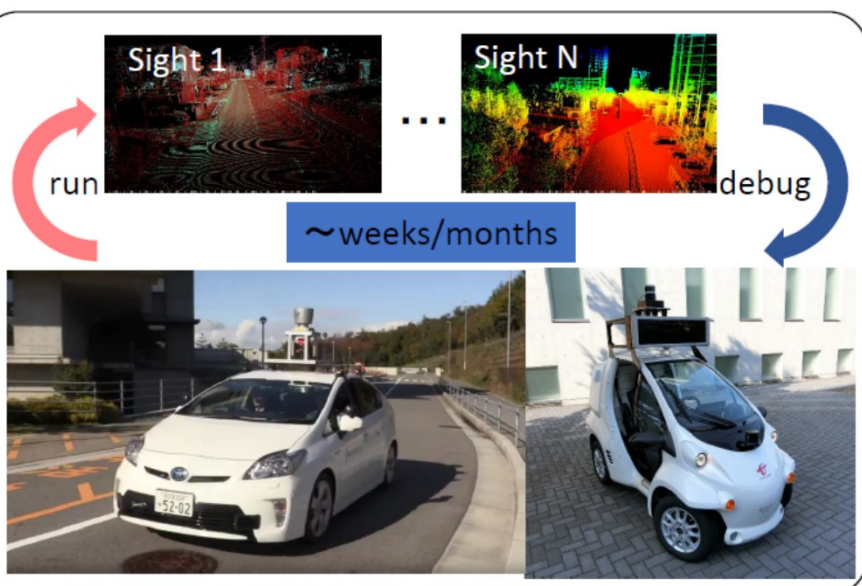


# Development and Experimentation in Small Sized Passenger Vehicles in

規範ドライバの運転データに基づく安全かつ快適な自動運転

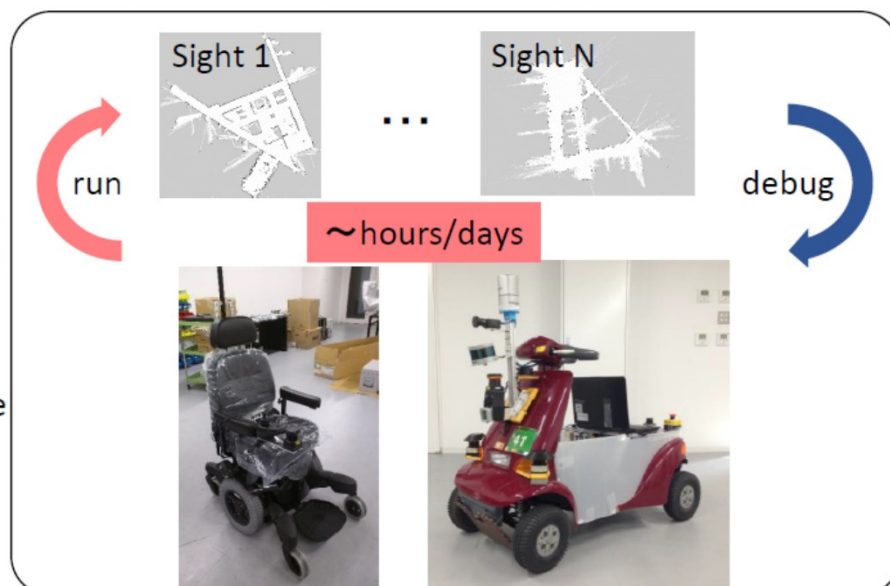
## 自動運転車両

- レベル4に向けた自動運転
- 滑らかな軌道生成技術による安全かつ快適な自動走行
- 死角などでの飛び出しを予測した走行



## 小型パーソナルモビリティロボット

- 自動運転モジュールの検証プラットフォーム
- 学内での実験および学生でも使用可能
- 実装した認識モジュールは自動運転車両と共有可能
- 試乗による感性評価+安全かつ高速なテスト環境





# What is Missing in Passenger Vehicles?

- Autonomous navigation in dynamic environments is feasible
- The navigation is safe: “Obstacle collision free”

- However,

**How comfortable is it ?**

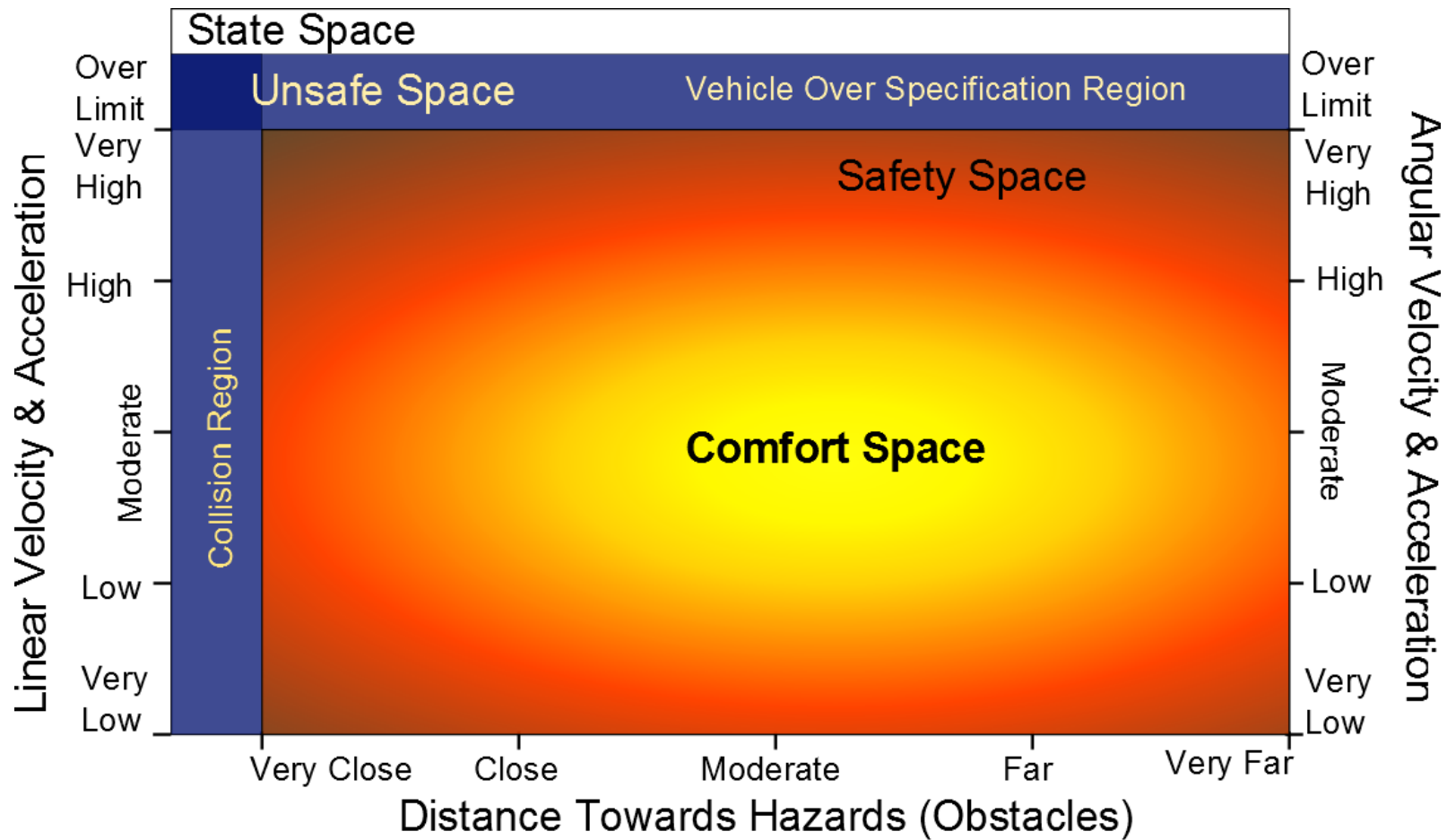


- Safe & Reliable  $\neq$  Comfortable (sense of ease, relief)





# Safe vs Comfortable

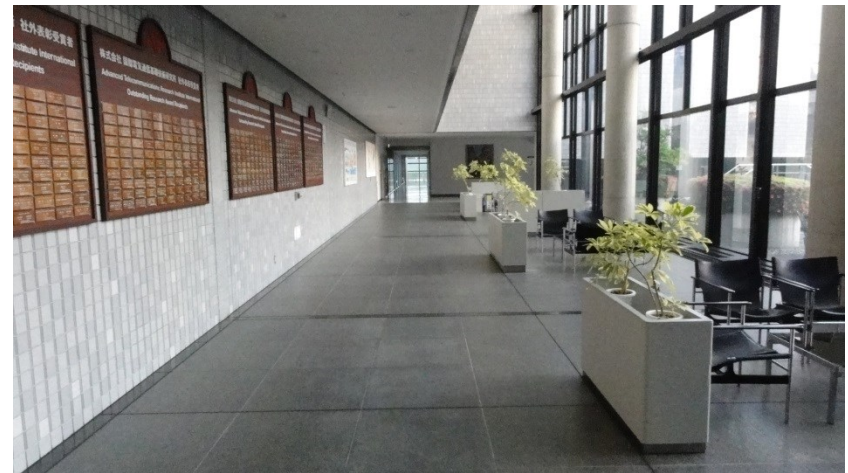






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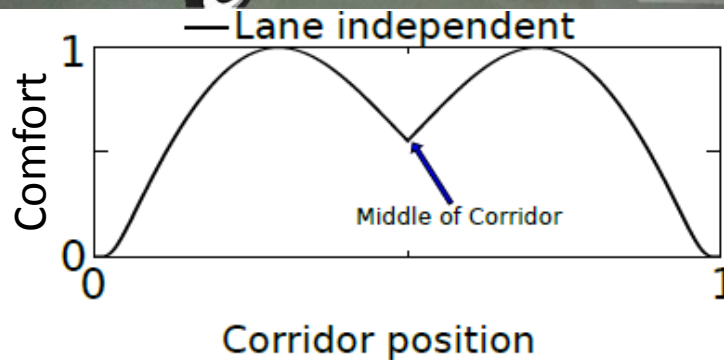
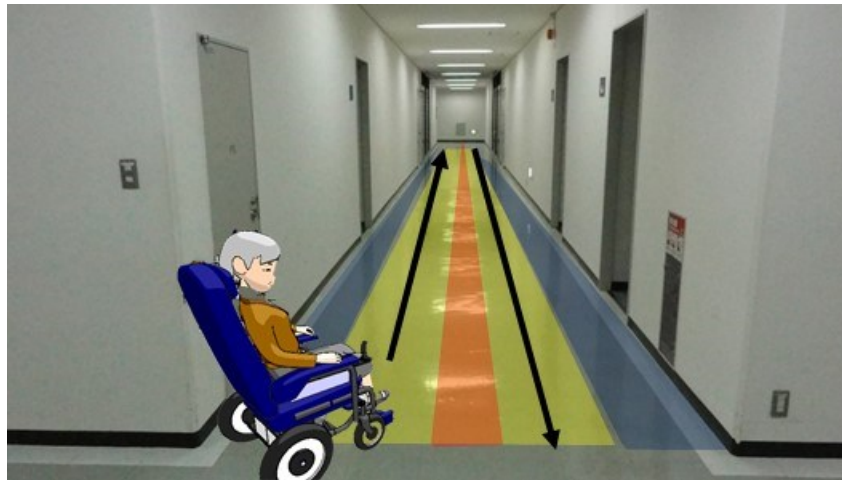
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# Comfortable Navigation Locations



$$U(y) = \frac{a}{y} + \frac{a}{1-y} + \left(\frac{y-c}{b}\right)^2$$

$$p(y) = e^{-U(y)}$$





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## Non-blind corner



## Blind corner







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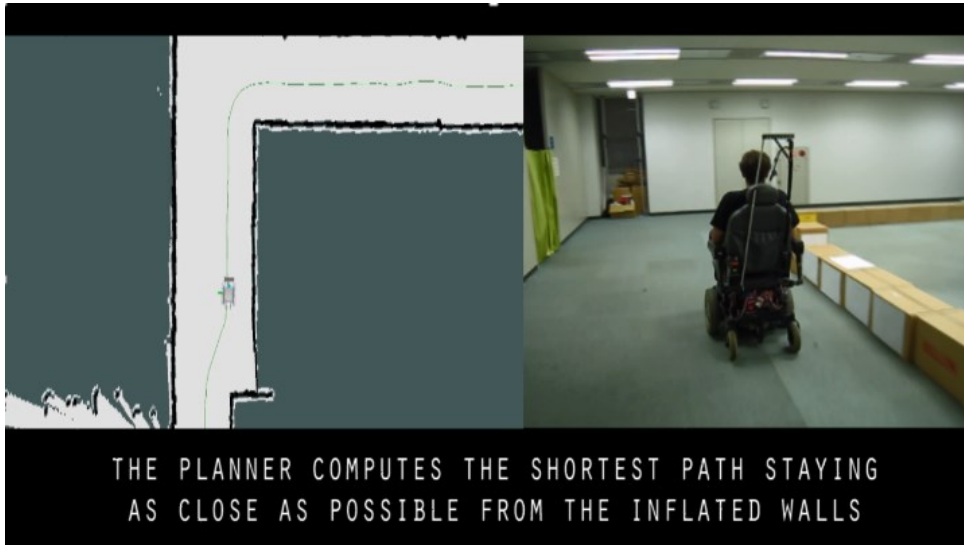
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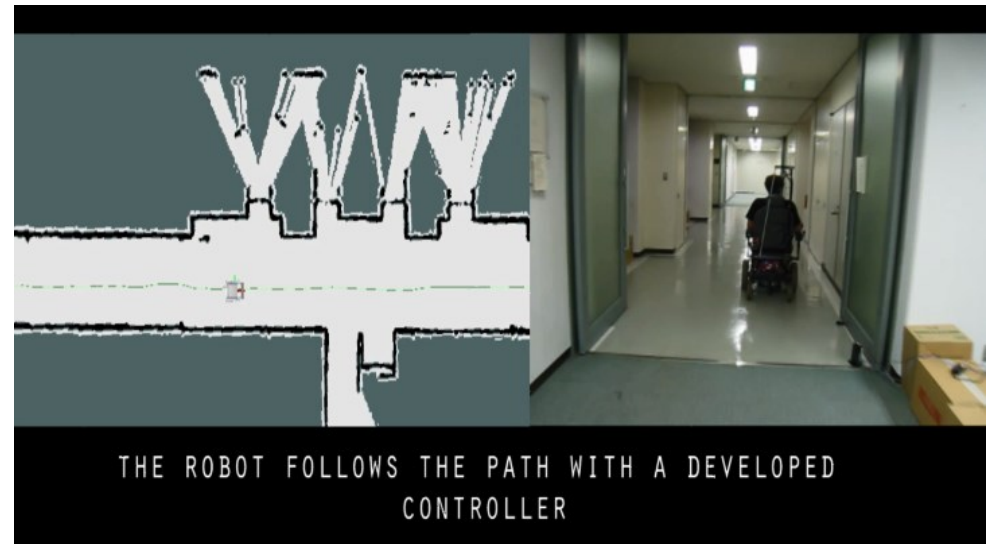






THE PLANNER COMPUTES THE SHORTEST PATH STAYING  
AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE FROM THE INFLATED WALLS

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Planning Comfortable Paths  
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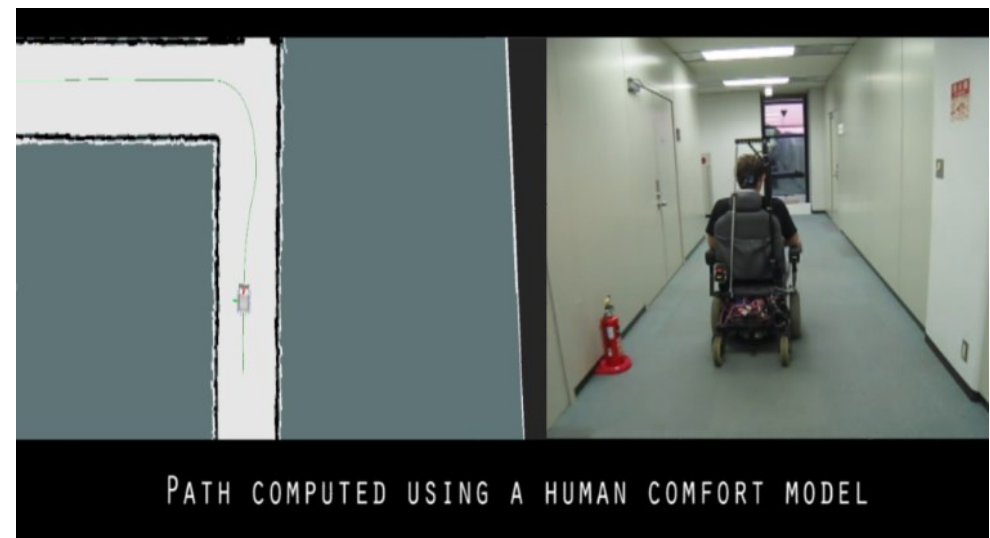


THE ROBOT FOLLOWS THE PATH WITH A DEVELOPED  
CONTROLLER



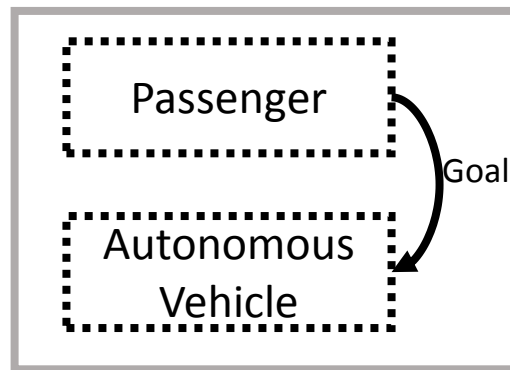


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# Communicating Navigation Intentions

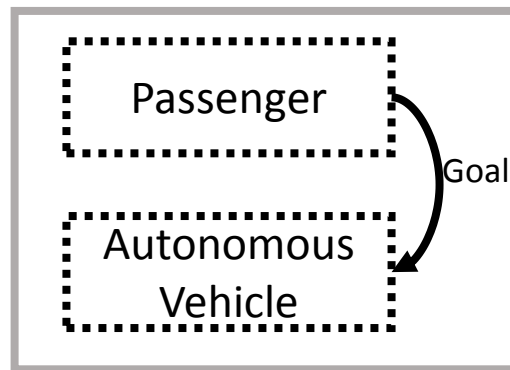


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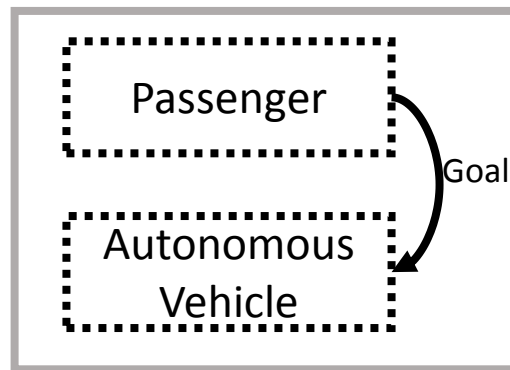


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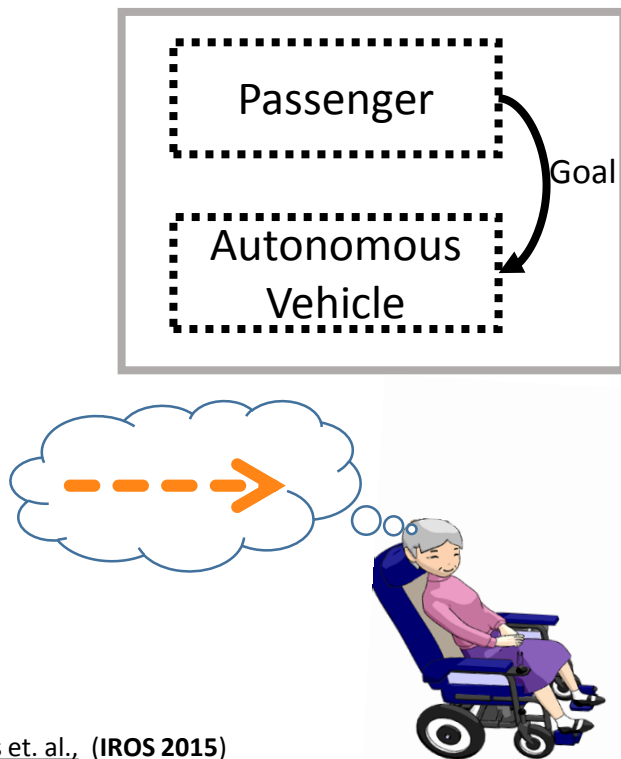
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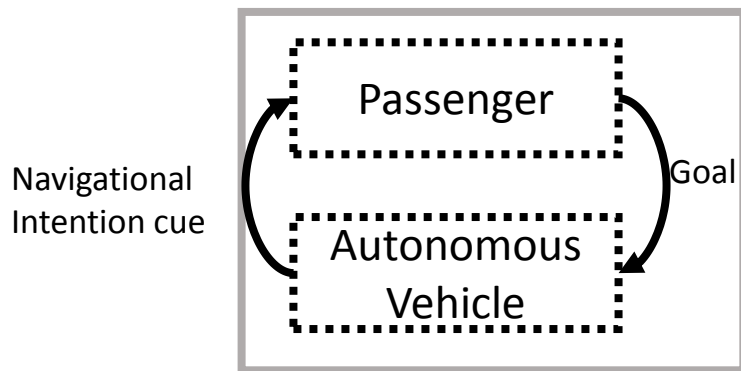


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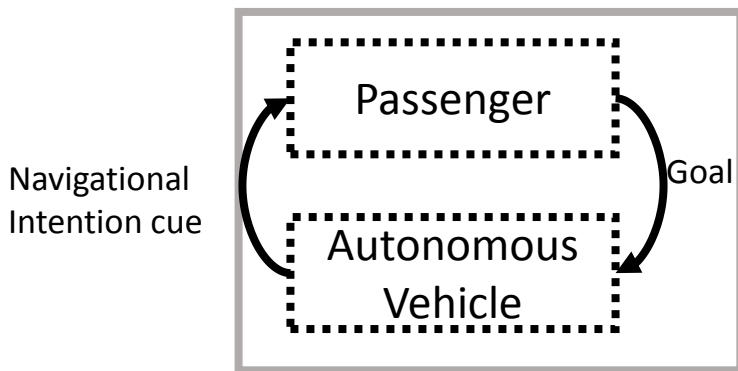


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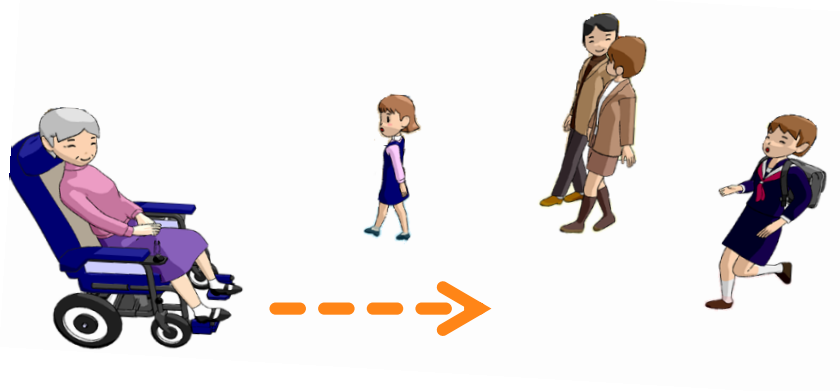
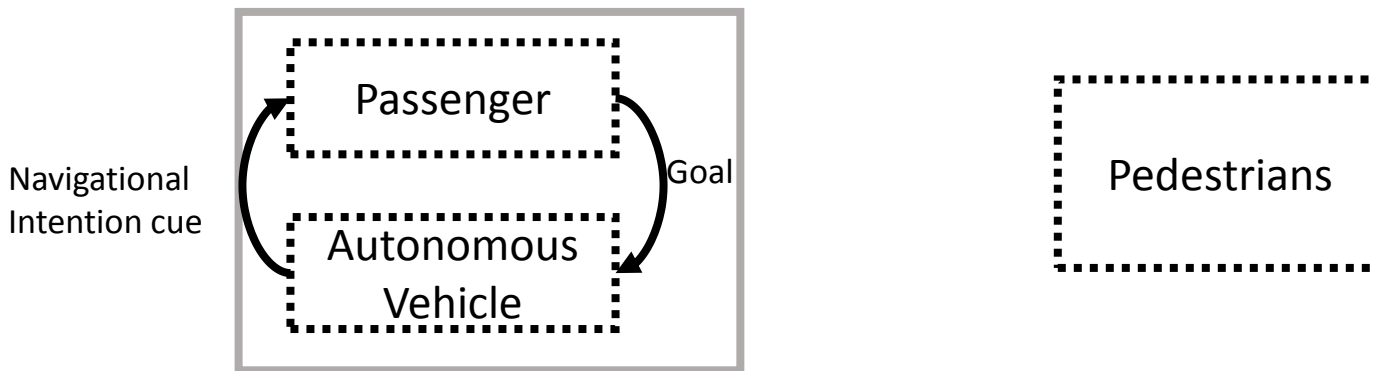


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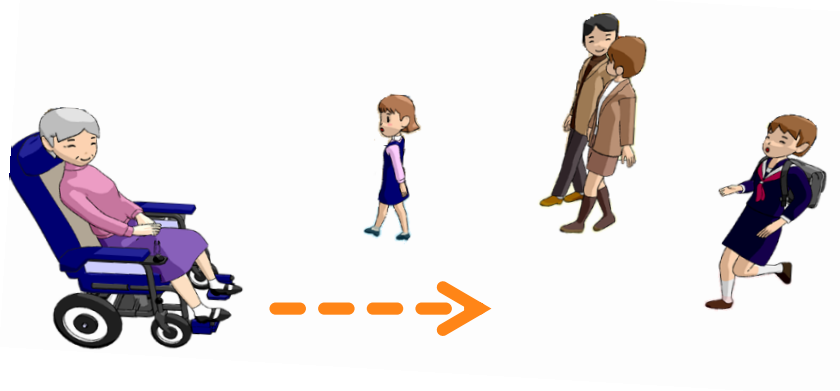
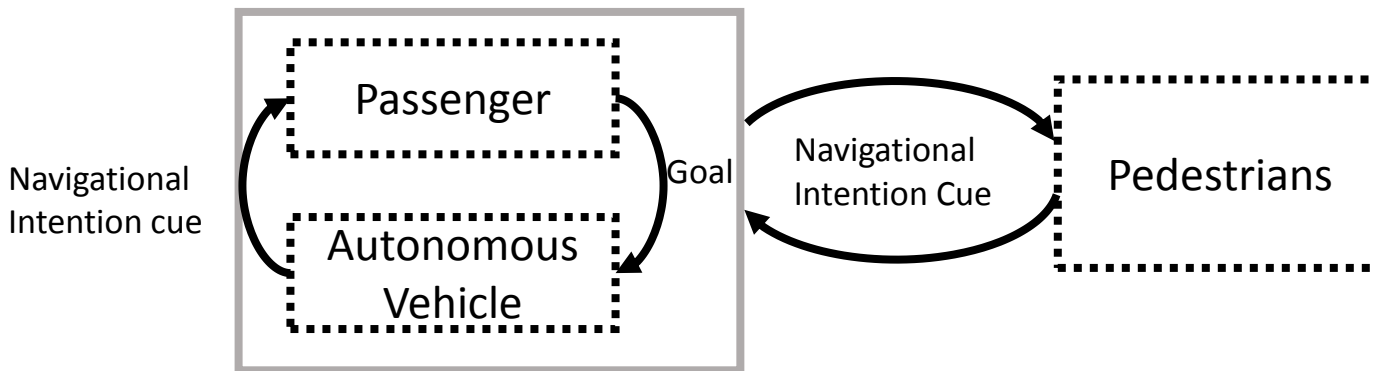


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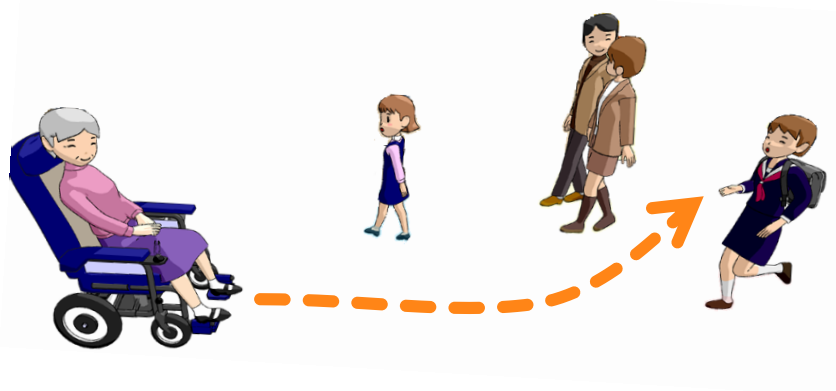
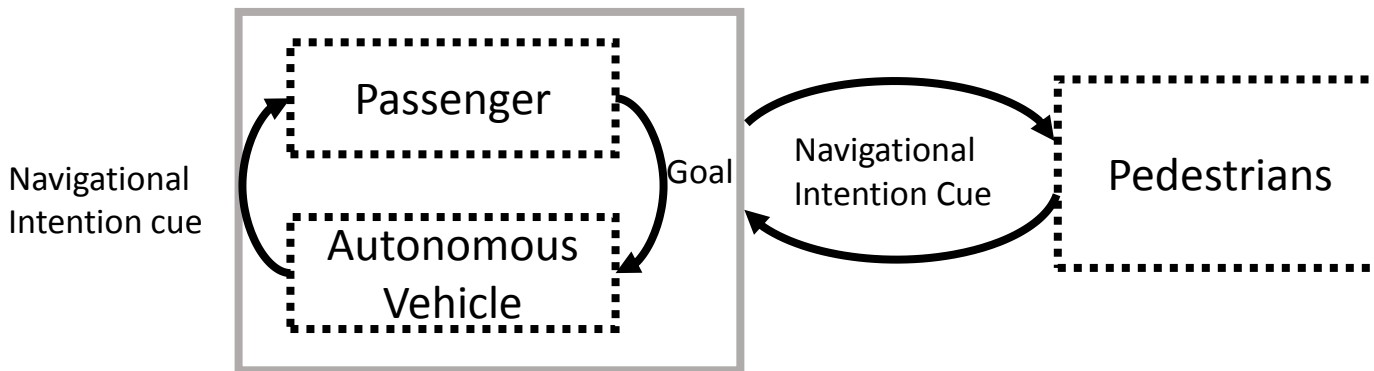
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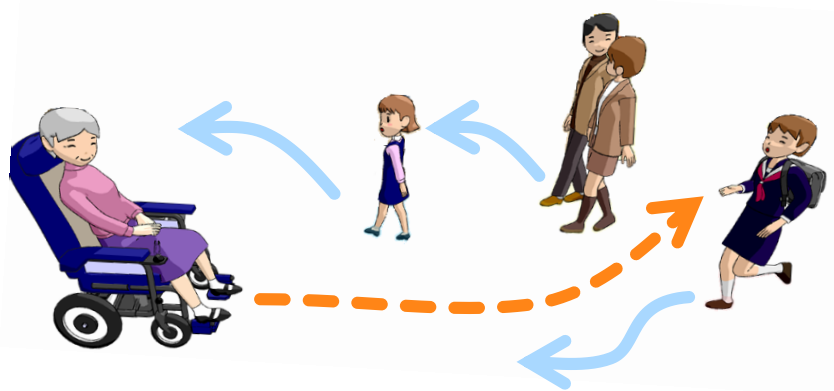
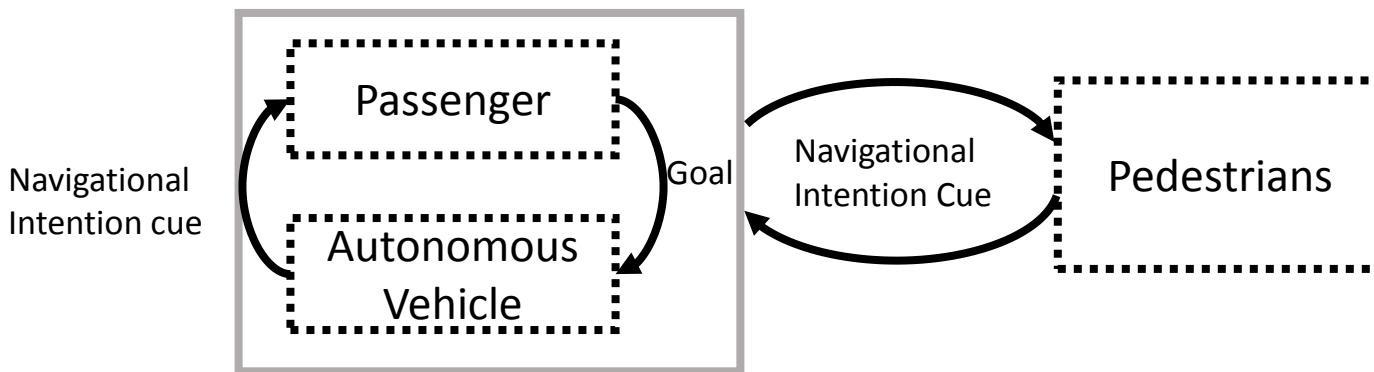


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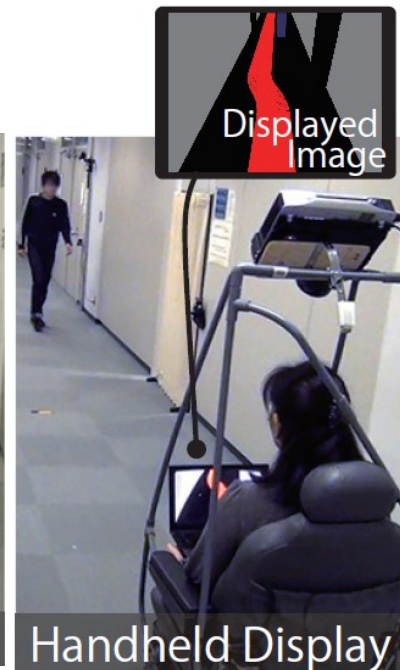
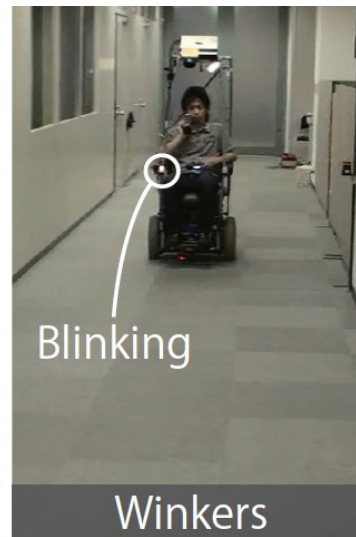


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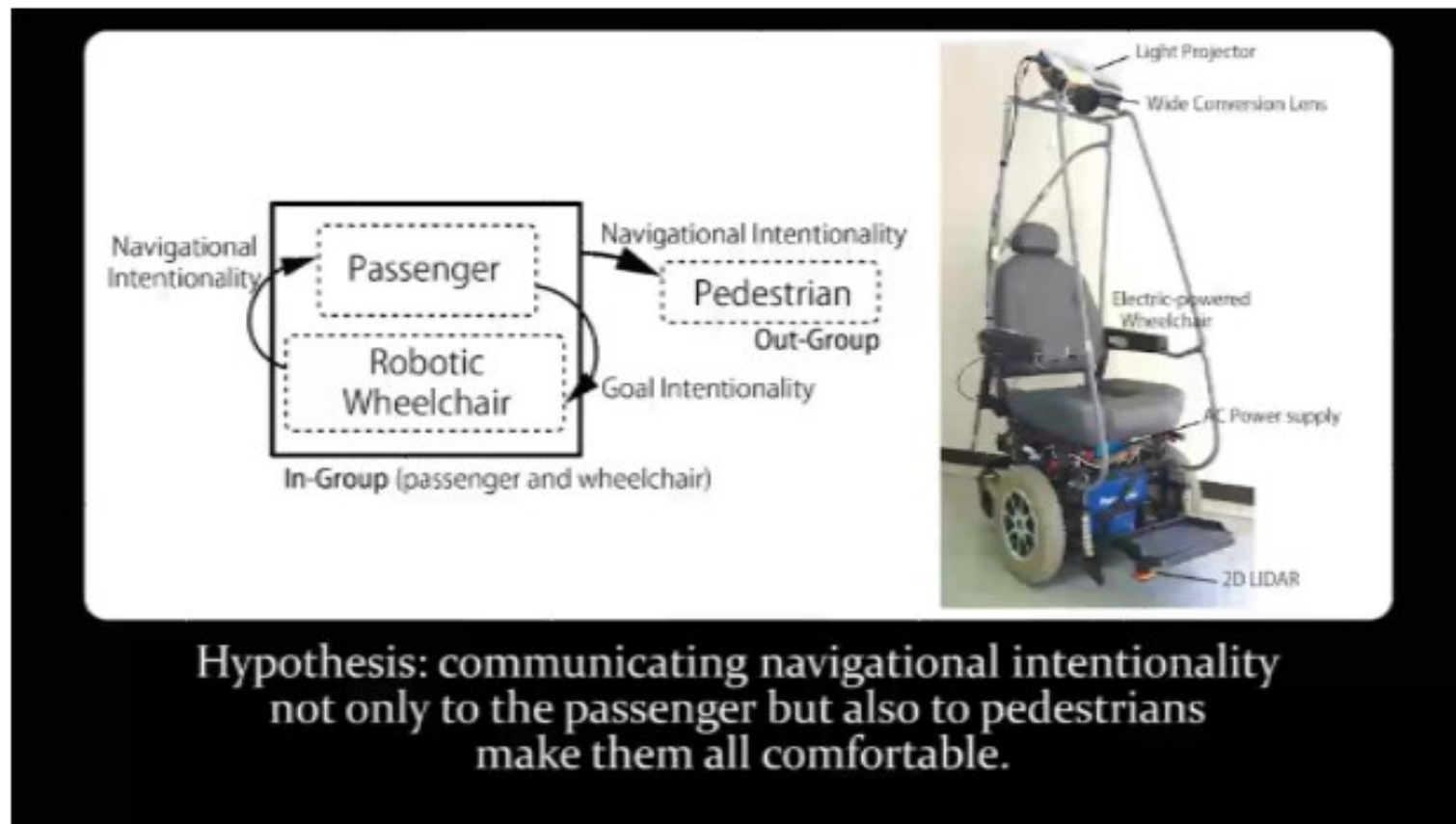


# Autonomous Vehicle Facing Pedestrians





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Hand held display shows wheelchair's future path.







# Conclusions

- Self driving vehicles are for humans
- We have to consider the humans in the control loop
- We have to keep developing  
“Human Centered Autonomous Driving Vehicles”

