



SHRP2 Implementation Assistance Program (IAP)—Round 4  
*Concept to Countermeasures—Research to Deployment Using the SHRP2 Safety Data*



# Use of the SHRP2 Safety Data for Investigation of Driver Behavior in Adverse Weather Conditions: Lessons learned from the Wyoming Department of Transportation Implementation Assistance Program

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# OUTLINE

## Phase 1 and 2 Results

- Background
- Objectives
- Methodology
- Data Preparation and Description
- Some Key Results
- Conclusions

## Phase 3 Ongoing Work

- Research to Countermeasures
- Integration within Wyoming VSL and CV Pilot
  - Non-VSL Corridors
  - Integrating Driver's Behavior in VSL Algorithms
  - CV Pilot: Better Info
  - Future Connected/Automated Vehicle
  - Speed Compliance and Enforcement
  - Speed Management at Work Zones
- VSL Guidelines

# SHRP2 IAP Projects

IAP Project	State DOT
<b><u>Adverse Weather Conditions</u></b>	<b><u>Wyoming DOT</u></b>
Horizontal and Vertical Curves	North Carolina DOT
Interchange Ramps	Utah DOT
Roadway Departure	Iowa DOT
Roadway Lighting	Washington DOT
Speeding	Michigan DOT Washington DOT
Work Zones	Minnesota DOT
Pedestrian Safety	Florida DOT Nevada DOT New York DOT



I-80 Reduced Visibility Condition (Source: WYDOT)

**The Only Study Exclusively Investigating the impacts of Adverse Weather Conditions on Speed Behavior and Driver's Performance**

# WYDOT SHRP 2 IAP

## *SHRP2 Safety Data Implementation Assistance Program—Concepts to Countermeasures*



1. Proof of Concept
2. In-depth Research & Analysis
3. Countermeasure Implementation

# WEATHER IMPACT

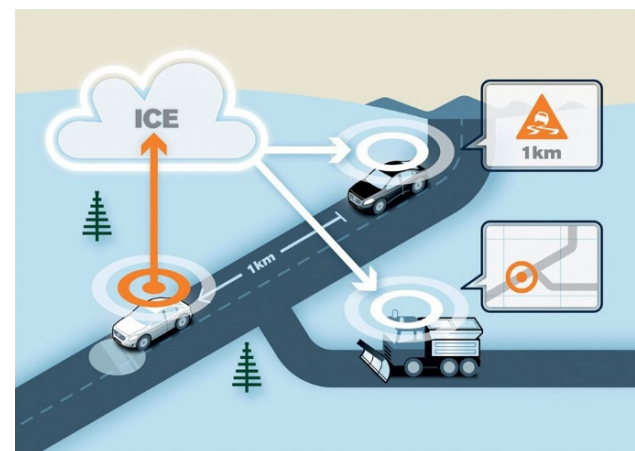
- Fog, snow, rain, strong wind, etc. affect: pavement conditions, vehicle performances, visibility, and **drivers' behavior and performance.**
- Weather contributed to **> 24% of total crashes**, 1995-2008 (NHTSA)
- Inclement weather → **31,514 Fatal Crashes**, 2000-2007 (NHTSA)
- **More than 6,000 people are killed and close to 480,000 people are injured** in weather-related crashes every year in the US.
- **~38% of inclement weather crashes in Wyoming**
- Crashes are a leading cause of Interstate Closures.
- 3-40% reductions in speed
- 4-27% reductions in capacity
- \$2.3 billion in snow/ice control
- **32.6 billion lost hours for freight industry**



45 vehicles pileup crash, I-80 April 16, 2015 (Source: WYDOT)

# PROJECT OBJECTIVES

1. Examining the feasibility of using SHRP2 NDS and RID datasets for adverse weather safety research
2. Quantifying driver's microscopic behaviors and performances (i.e., speed selection, lane-keeping, headway, car-following, etc.) in inclement weather
3. Improve VSL and Advanced Traveler Info System
4. Early investigation of CV Weather Applications



(Source: Global Road Safety Review 2016)

# Drivers Response to Adverse Weather Conditions

1. Can inclement weather trips be identified effectively using the NDS and RID data?
2. Can driver responses (i.e., speed and headway adaptation, and lane keeping) during inclement weather be characterized efficiently from the NDS data?
3. What are the best Surrogate Measures for weather-related crashes that can be identified using the NDS data?
4. What type of analysis can be performed and conclusions be drawn from the resulting dataset?
5. Can the NDS data be extrapolated to provide real-time weather information in the context of the Road Weather Connected Vehicle Applications?



# PHASE I - Proof of Concept

## Requested NDS Data



**50 NDS Freeway Trips  
Heavy Rain > 10 min.**



**100 NDS Freeway Trips  
Clear Weather**



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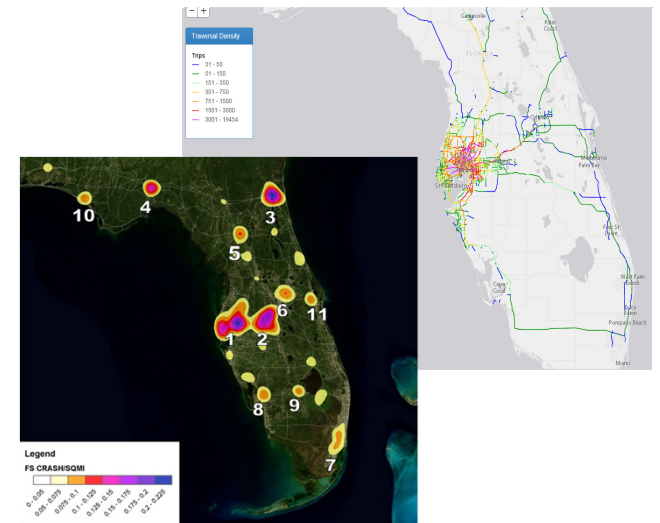
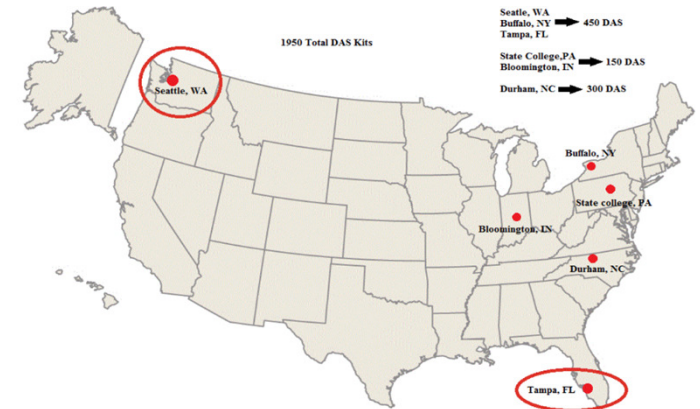
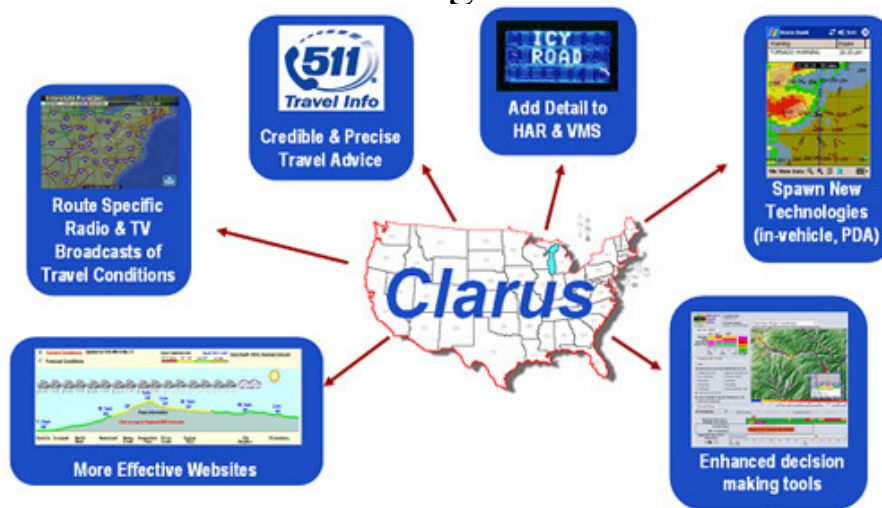


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# PHASE 2 – In-Depth Analysis

- All 6 NDS States.
- All adverse weather conditions.
- More variables.
- Improve the Visualization and Red. Tool.
- External Data to leverage NDS data.



# Data Acquisition

- **Critical Events on Freeways (All Weather and Traffic Conditions)**
  - **16 Crashes and 213 Near-crashes**
- **Normal Driving Trips in Adverse Weather**  
Based on Wiper Status  
Using NCDC data and weather-related crash data



Wiper Status



Using Airport Weather Stations



Using RID Weather-related Crashes

# Data Acquisition

Identify Normal Driving Weather-Related Trips

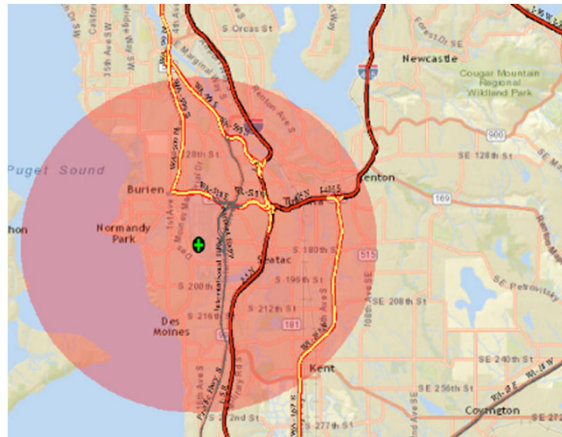
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Windshield Wiper Status  
CAN-Bus



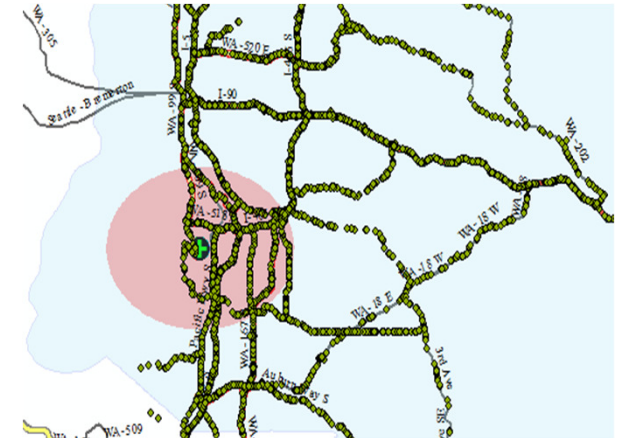
## Method 2

National Climatic Data Center  
(NCDC) Weather Data



## Method 3

Reported Weather-related  
Crashes



# Data Acquisition

Identify Weather-Related Trips

**Method 1**

Windshield Wiper Status

**Method 2**

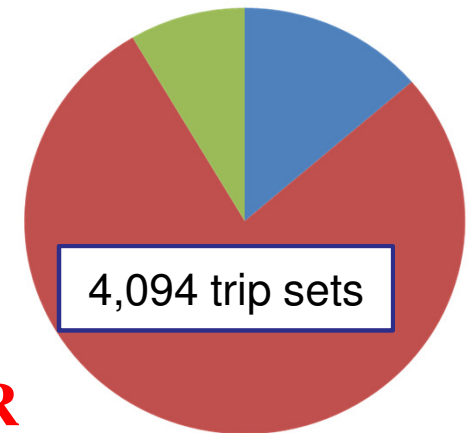
NCDC Weather Data

**Method 3**

Reported Crashes

11,164 Potential Weather-related Trips &  
22,328 Matching Clear Trips

**33,492 Total Trips Acquired**



■ Method 1 ■ Method 2 ■ Method 3

**Total Duration Adverse + 2 Matched Clear Trips: 6,700HR**

# Data Acquired

Weather	Method 1: Wiper	Method 2: NCDC	Method 3: Crashes	Total
Rain	507	2,374	132	<b>3,013</b>
Fog	14	157	63	<b>234</b>
Snow	29	175	116	<b>320</b>
Wet surface/ Clear Condition	10	298	9	<b>317</b>
Snowy surface/ Clear Condition	0	182	28	<b>210</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>3,186</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>4,094</b>

**(More than 1,700 drivers → 3,013 Rain, 234 Fog, 320 Snow, 317 Wet Surface/ Clear, 210 Snowy Surface/ Clear): ~ 85% missing wiper status**

Manual Video verification showed that only **4,094** were weather-related trips



# Data Preparation

## Manual Video Observation



Event ID	Number of X-Minute Samples	Start Timestamp	Stop Timestamp	Is Freeway?	Weather Condition	Surface Condition	Visibility	Traffic Condition
153315545	10	03500	603500	1	1	1	1	1
		03500	903500	1	2	3	3	1
	3	903500	1203500	1	4	2	2	1
	4	1203500	1503500	0	3	3	1	2
	5	1503500	1803500	1	3	4	2	2
	6	1803500	2103500	1	1	2	1	3
	7	2103500	2403500	1	1	1	1	3
	8	2403500	2703500	1	1	1	4	2
	9	2703500	3003500	1	1	1	1	2
	10	3003500		0	1	1	1	3

Event\_ID & Number of X-Minute Samples

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se Instructions

/Day/Year

Saving Instructions

X-minute

Segmented ID numbers corresponding to later analyses

Timestamps corresponding to video

Actual entry, identifying the conditions along the trip, at X-Minute intervals.

- Video Observation- Data Checking and Reduction
- Poor Quality trips were eliminated, trips on non-freeway were discarded



Thank you for reviewing the video. Please leave any comments for the video below  
SAMPLE - FOR TESTING!

# Data Preparation

## Data Reduction: Weather, Visibility, Surface and Traffic Conditions



Clear



Fog



Snowing

Roadway Type		Surface Conditions (cont.)	
Non-Freeway	0	Snow Covered	3
Freeway	1	Ice Covered	4
Weather Conditions		Visibility	
Clear	1	High	1
Light Rain	2	Medium	2
Heavy Rain	3	Low	3
Snow	4	Traffic Conditions	
Fog	5	LOS A	1
Sleet	6	LOS B	2
Mist/ Light Rain	7	LOS C	3
Surface Conditions		LOS D	4
Dry	1	LOS E	5
Wet	2	LOS F	6



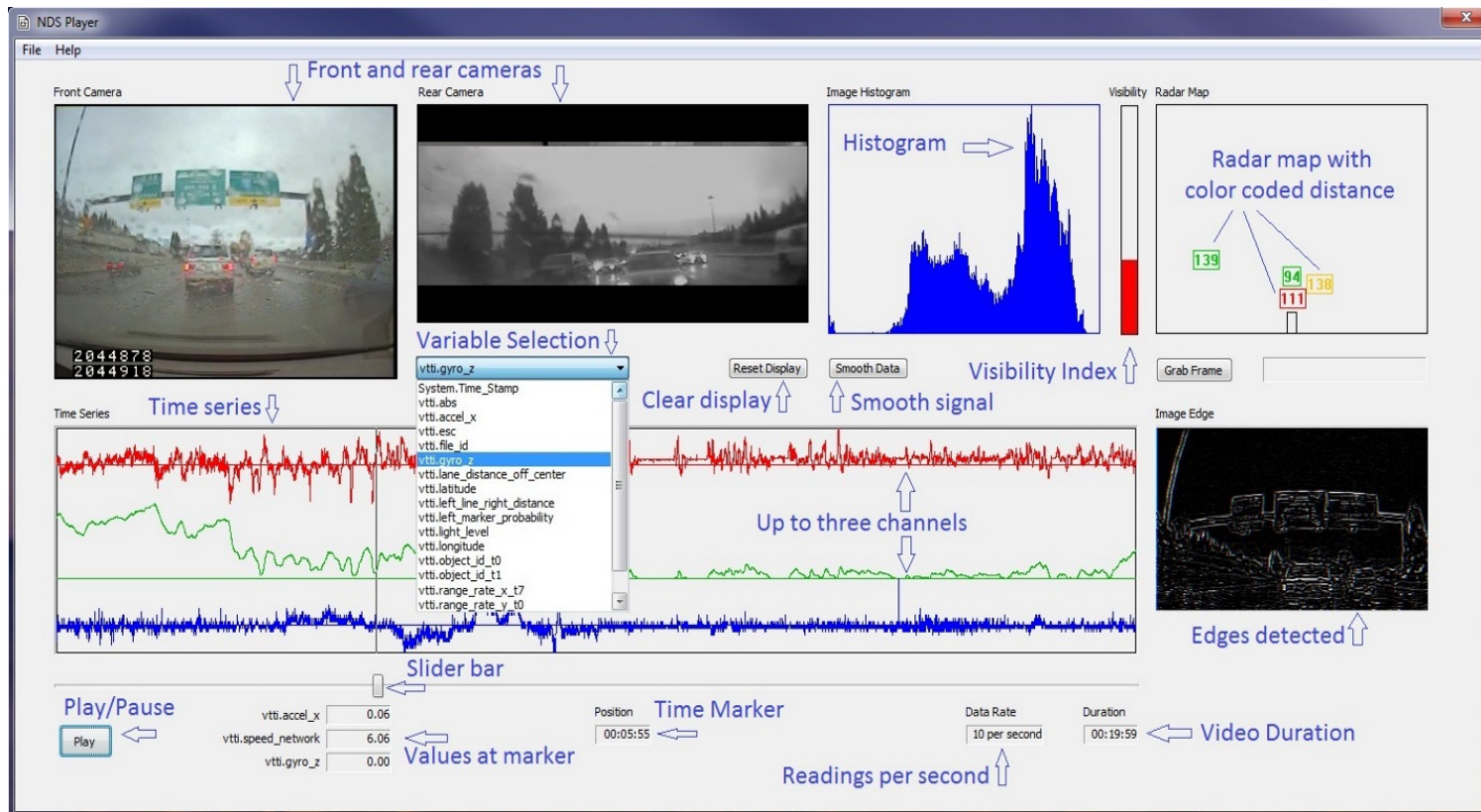
Light Rain



Heavy Rain

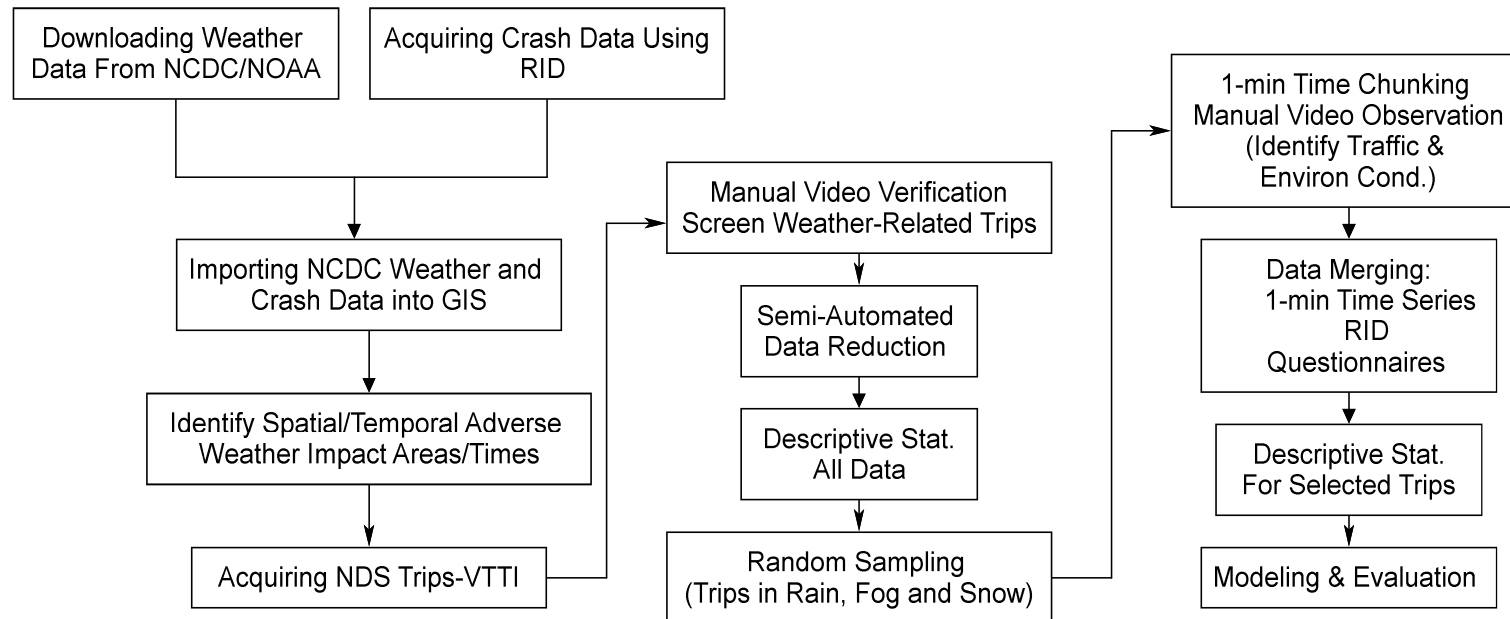


# Data Visualization and Reduction Tool



**The accuracy of the Visibility Level estimation algorithm reached 79%**  
**Machine Learning of Video and Vehicle Kinematics ~ 90% weather condition**

# Data Preparation



**Conceptual Overview of Phase 2 Data Acquisition and Preparation**

**Complementary Methodologies to Identify Weather Conditions in Naturalistic Driving Study Trips:  
Lessons Learned from the SHRP 2 Naturalistic Driving Study and Roadway Information Database**

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**Effects of Inclement Weather on Driving Behavior and Traffic Operations**  
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# Descriptive Statistics

Snow: 88 trips (1004 MI),  
 Rain: 102 (2226MI)  
 Fog: 22 (593 MI)

$$\% \text{ Sp. Red.} = (\text{Sp} - \text{Sp Lmt}) / \text{Sp Lmt}$$

		Snow		Matched Clear		Rain		Matched Clear		Fog		Matched Clear	
		Speed	% Speed Reduction	Speed	% Speed Reduction	Speed	% Speed Reduction	Speed	% Speed Reduction	Speed	% Speed Reduction	Speed	% Speed Reduction
Speed (Kph)	Average	87.72	-10.12	106.07	8.52	91.727	1.074	97.9	6.93	104.41	3.03	108.12	6.55
	SD	21.76	20.32	12.96	13.32	11.31	12.87	11.93	12.33	13.21	11.27	14.21	12.28
	Min.	22.77	-74.27	28.07	-88.64	51.092	-49.46	32.16	-63.66	44.818	-44.3	26.48	-72.57
	Max.	130.43	43.25	134.76	78.02	119.284	76.74	125.7	54.02	130.89	46.33	132.67	42.59
	Median	89.05	-7.75	106.65	8.98	92.046	0.742	98.75	7.18	106.14	5.12	111.42	8.25
	t-test	Avg. speed in Snow is sig. lower in snow				Avg. speed sig. lower in Rain				Avg. speed sig. lower in Fog			
	F-test	Speed variability is higher in Snow				No sig. difference in speed variability				No Sig. Difference in Speed Variability			
Z-test	No sig. diff				between the proportion of speeding ≥ 10 km/h				No sig. difference between the proportion of speeding ≥ 10 km/h				
Acceleration/ Deceleration (g)	Acc.												
	Average	0.017				-0.014	0.022	-0.021	0.02	-0.026	0.021	-0.022	
	SD	0.015				0.015	0.02	0.019	0.017	0.02	0.018	0.018	
	Min.	0				-0.072	0	-0.105	0	-0.07	0	-0.096	
	Max.	0.076				0	0.093	0	0.074	0	0.079	0	
	Median	0.012				-0.009	0.016	-0.015	0.014	-0.02	0.016	-0.019	
	t-test	Acceleration variability is sig. higher in snow				No sig. difference in Acc. variability				No sig. difference in Avg. Acc.			
F-test	No sig. difference between deceleration variability in snow and Clear				Dec. variability is higher in clear weather				Avg. dec. is sig. higher in rain,				
Z-test	--				No Acc./Dec. were found higher than ±0.3g				Dec. variability is higher in fog				
Yaw Rate, negative sign = left rotation (deg./s)		Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.
	Average	0.271	-0.362	0.321	-0.41	0.412	-1.602	0.417	-0.462	0.346	-0.463	0.34	-0.386
	SD	0.335	0.335	0.443	0.427	0.344	2.318	0.445	0.431	0.457	0.348	0.311	0.336
	Min.	0	-2.761	0	-3.965	0.004	-7.631	0.002	-2.578	0.005	-1.969	0.001	-2.183
	Max.	3.681	-0.001	4.74	-0.001	1.651	-0.001	3.773	-0.001	3.2	-0.003	1.482	0
	Median	0.183	-0.261	0.203	-0.287	0.299	-0.485	0.267	-0.322	0.226	-0.403	0.246	-0.297
	t-test	Right rotation in Snow is sig. lower than clear weather				No sig. difference in right rotation,				No sig. difference in right rotation,			
	Left rotation in Snow is sig. lower than Clear Weather				Left rotation is sig. higher in Rain.				Left rotation is sig. higher in Fog.				
F-test	Right rotation variability is sig. higher in clear weather				Right rotation variability is sig. higher in clear weather				Right rotation variability is sig. higher in Fog				
	Left rotation variability is sig. higher in clear weather				Left rotation variability is sig. higher in rain				No sig. difference in left rotation variability				
Lane Offset (cm)		Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.
	Average	32.996	-36.096	20.74	-30.568	15.46	-15.913	19.644	-16.119	19.162	-27.956	14.695	-22.447
	SD	41.074	47.163	29.717	42.838	10.416	22.169	18.234	19.412	17.053	42.499	14.108	25.582
	Min.	0.001	-333.65	0.095	-383.706	0.095	-224.66	0.076	-266.98	0.078	-323.856	0.073	-345.241
	Max.	377.895	-0.004	155.516	-0.071	51.171	-0.308	121.291	-0.049	76.985	-0.192	68.494	-0.225
	Median	19.222	-18.269	12.022	-18.876	14.321	-10.538	15.985	-9.343	15.42	-17.086	10.275	-17.222
	t-test	Lane offset to the right in Snow is sig. higher than clear				Avg. lane offset to the right is lower in rain				Avg. lane offset to the right and left from lane center is sig. higher in Fog			
	Lane offset to the left in Snow is sig. higher than clear				No sig. difference in lane offset to the right								
F-test	Lane offset to the right variability is sig. higher in Snow				Lane offset to the right variability is sig. higher in clear weather				Lane offset to the right variability and left variability is sig. higher in Fog				
	Lane offset to the left variability in sig. higher in Snow				Lane offset to the left variability is sig. higher in rain								

**Snow:**  
**10% reduction from speed limit**  
**~19% from their matched**

# Vehicle Kinematics – Example in Winter Condition

## Weather-Related Trips Similar to Wyoming



Trip ID: 13910595  
Visibility: Fog (NCDC) – whiteout condition visual observation  
Trip Location: New York (NDS TS)  
Surface: Snow (Video Observation)  
Vehicle Average Speed: 39.6 mph (NDS TS)  
Standard Deviation of Speed: 11.86  
Wind Speed: 33 mph (NCDC)  
Speed Limit: (RID Reduced data)

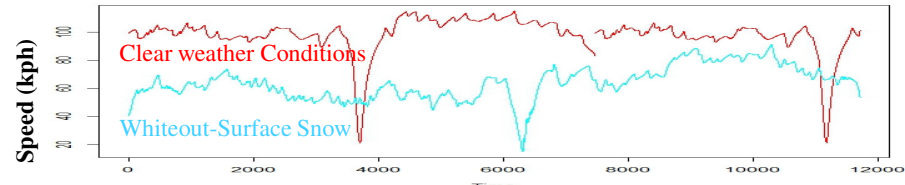


Trip ID: 13904014  
Visibility: Clear (NCDC)  
Trip Location: New York (NDS TS)  
Surface: Dry (Video Observation)  
Vehicle Average Speed: 62 mph (NDS TS)  
Standard Deviation of Speed: 12.73  
Speed Limit: (RID Reduced data)

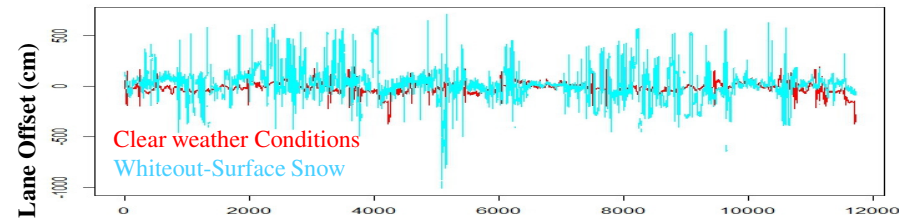
# Speed Selection/ Hot Spot Analysis – Example in Winter Condition

Route: I-290 & I-190, New York,  
 Length: 19.2 miles (30.8 km),  
 Speed limit source: Roadway  
 Information Database (RID) and  
 Street View in Google Map

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 Significant Reduction  
 in Speed

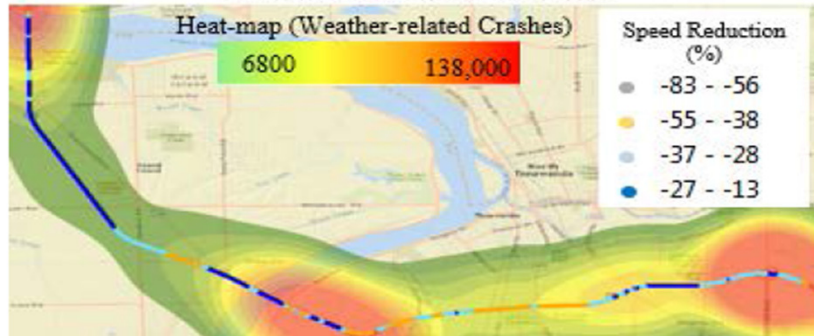


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 Worse Lane Keeping

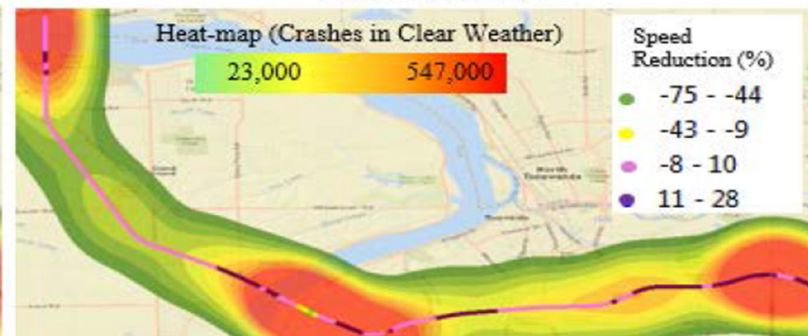


Time

Whiteout-Snowy Surface



Clear Weather





# Speed Selection Model

## Ordered Logit Model

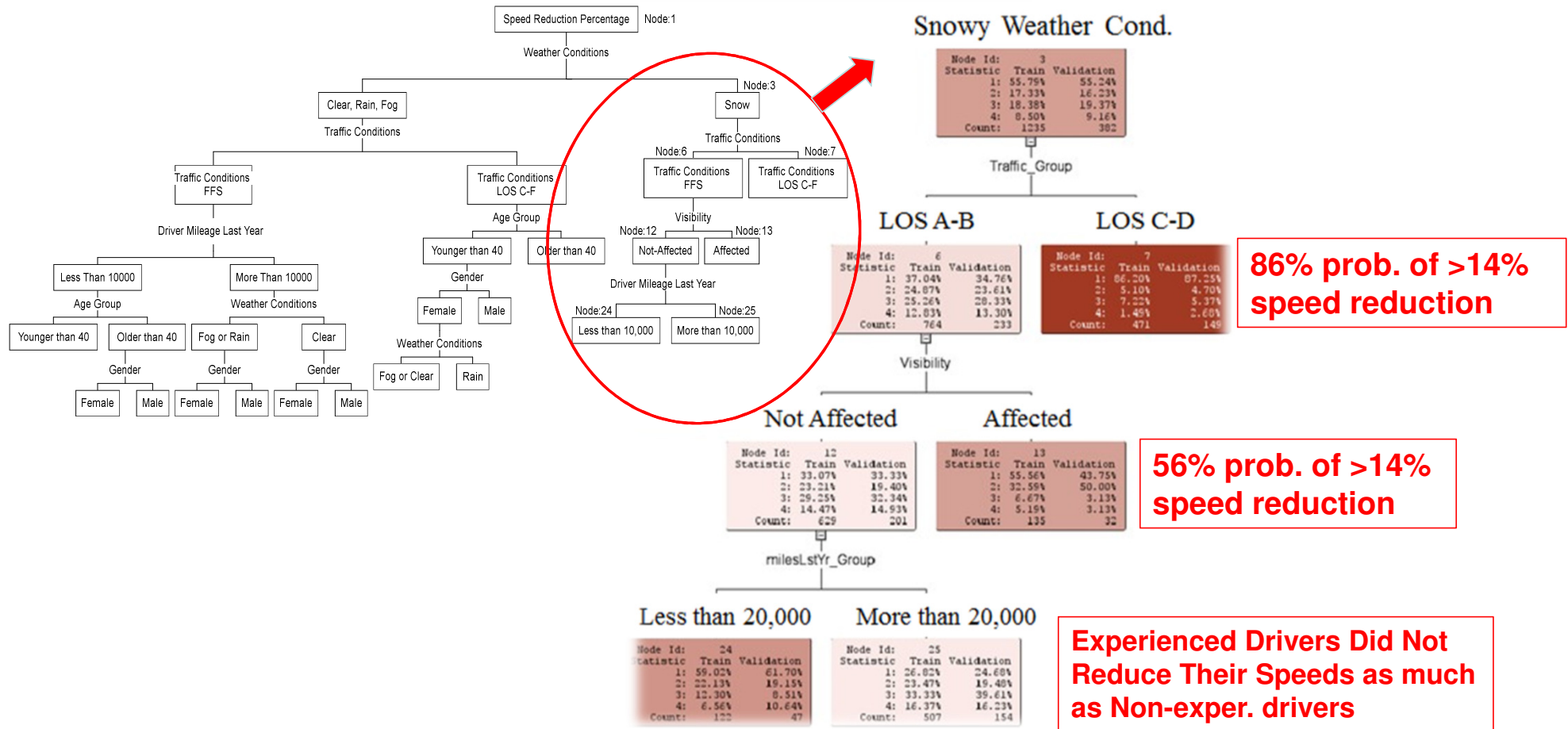
10,606 1-minute observations=177 hours

Response: Percent Speed Reduction (4 Quantiles: > 14% red., 0-14%, 0-10 inc., >10 inc.)

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates									
Parameter		DF	Estimate	Standard	Wald	Pr > ChiSq	Odds Ratio	Confidence Interval	
				Error	Chi-Square				
Intercept		4	-2.57	0.09	800.41	<.0001	-	-	-
Intercept		3	-1.3	0.09	218.23	<.0001	-	-	-
Intercept		2	0.32	0.09	13.93	0.0002	-	-	-
<b>Weather Cond.</b>	<b>Fog</b>	1	<b>0.26</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>7.61</b>	<b>0.0058</b>	<b>1.29</b>	<b>1.08</b>	<b>1.55</b>
<b>Weather Cond.</b>	<b>Rain</b>	1	<b>0.44</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>25.35</b>	<b>&lt;.0001</b>	<b>1.55</b>	<b>1.31</b>	<b>1.83</b>
<b>Weather Cond.</b>	<b>Snow</b>	1	<b>2.23</b>	<b>0.06</b>	<b>1612.52</b>	<b>&lt;.0001</b>	<b>9.29</b>	<b>8.33</b>	<b>10.36</b>
Visibility	Affected	1	0.56	0.09	35.24	<.0001	1.75	1.45	2.1
Traffic Cond.	C-F	1	1.28	0.04	995.02	<.0001	3.6	3.32	3.89
Gender	Female	1	0.09	0.04	5	0.0254	1.09	1.01	1.18
Age	>40	1	0.2	0.05	18.24	<.0001	1.23	1.12	1.35
Marital Status	Divorced	1	0.81	0.09	86.57	<.0001	2.25	1.9	2.67
Marital Status	Widow(er)	1	1.2	0.11	121.33	<.0001	3.31	2.68	4.1
Marital Status	Unmrid-partnrs	1	-0.94	0.1	88.74	<.0001	0.39	0.32	0.48
Marital Status	Married	1	0.34	0.05	45.09	<.0001	1.4	1.27	1.55
Mileage Last Year	10,000 to 20,000	1	-0.5	0.05	122.3	<.0001	0.61	0.56	0.66
Mileage Last Year	>20,000	1	-0.58	0.06	92.33	<.0001	0.56	0.5	0.63

# Speed Selection Model

## Classification and Regression Trees (CART)





# Speed Selection and Lane Keeping

## Using Parametric Ordinal Logistic Regression and Nonparametric Decision-Tree Approaches for Assessing the Impact of Weather Conditions on Driver Speed Selection Using Naturalistic Driving Data

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#### Effects of Inclement Weather on Driving Behavior and Traffic Operations

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## A Comprehensive Analysis of Driver Lane-Keeping Performance in Fog Weather Conditions Using the SHRP 2 Naturalistic Driving Study Data

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# Speed Selection and Lane Keeping



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The impacts of heavy rain on speed and headway Behaviors: An investigation using the SHRP2 naturalistic driving study data

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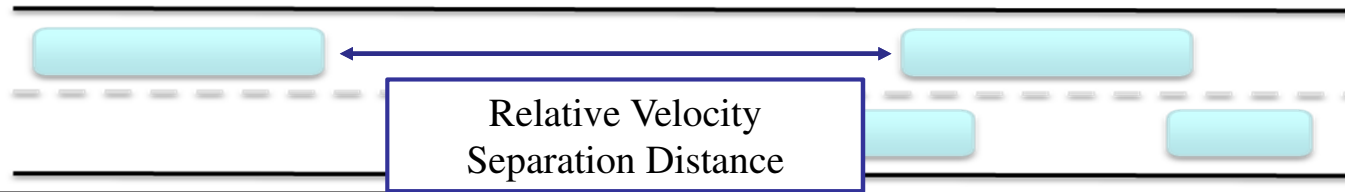
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# Car Following Model

## Modeling Driving Behavior in Non-Free Flow Conditions



configuration

### Configuration of the Work Zone Model

Configuration Files Folder

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Available Configurations

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Units  
 English Units  
 Metric Units

Configuration File

### Parameters

Save As

Weather Conditions  
 Dry  
 Wet  
 Ice

Vehicle Type  
 Passenger Car  
 Heavy Vehicle

Congestion  
 Congested  
 Uncongested

Delta X - Rel. Distance (m)

Delta V - Rel. Speed (m/s)

### Framework Variables

	Freeway	Freeway WZ Adv. Warning	Freeway WZ Taper Zone	Freeway WZ Lane Closure	Freeway WZ No Lane Closure
$G_{min}$	12	12	12	12	12
$G_{max}$	70	70	70	70	70
$C_{p,c}$	7.5000	7.5000	7	7	7
$G_b$	5	5	5	5	5
$V_{500max}$	7	7	5	5	5
$V_{500min}$	2	2	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000
$V_{ap0min}$	-7	-7	-4	-4	-4
$V_{ap0max}$	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2

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### Accel/Decel Variables

	Freeway	Freeway WZ Adv. Warning	Freeway WZ Taper Zone	Freeway WZ Lane Closure	Freeway WZ No Lane Closure
$N_{acc}$	3	3	3	3	3
$C_{a,c}$	5	5	5	5	5
$C_{a,w}$	1	1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
$C_{a,l}$	6.0000	6.0000	6.0000	6.0000	6.0000
$C_{a,hv}$	8.0000	8.0000	8	8	8
$PR1_{min}$	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
$PR1_{max}$	1	1	1	0.0000	0.0000
$PR1_{hv}$	1	1	1	0.0000	0.0000

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### Evaluation of Weather-Related Freeway Car-Following Behavior Using the SHRP 2 Naturalistic Driving Study

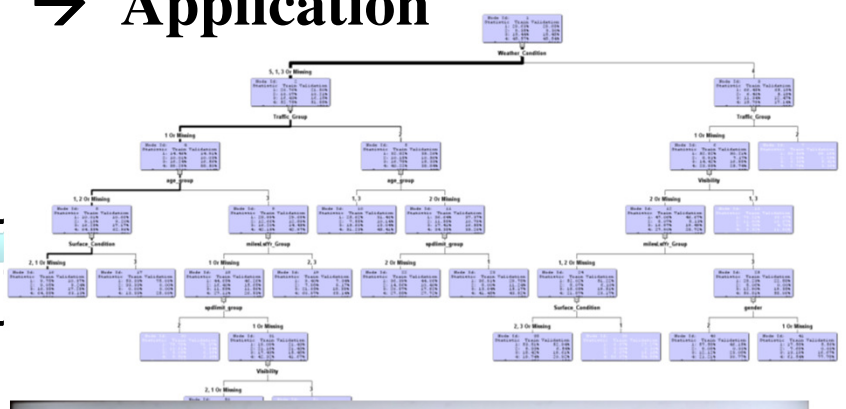
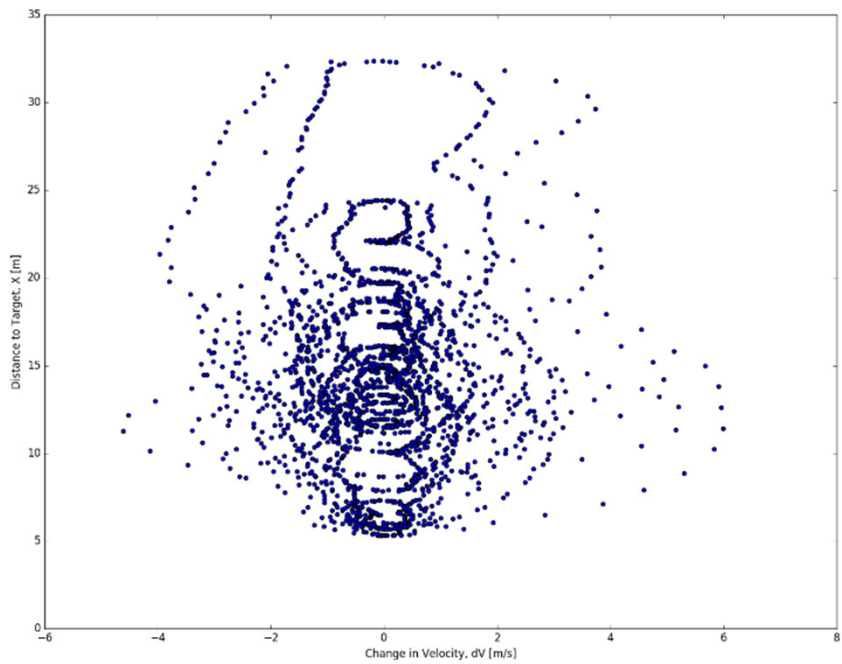
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FHWA Work Zone Driver Model Software

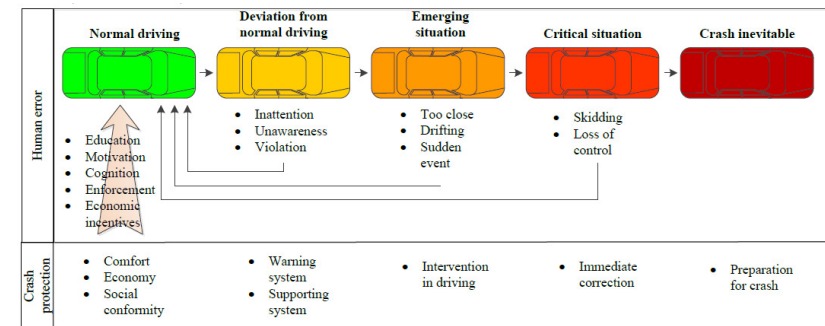
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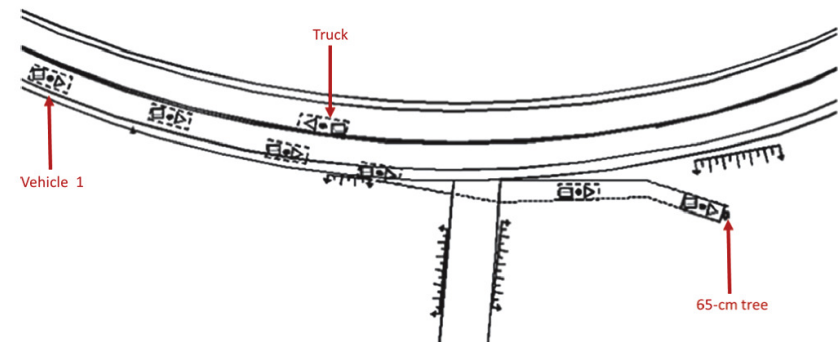


# Identifying Deviation from Normal Driving in CV Environment

- Driver's Acc. Preference
- Observed changes in speed and headway (Radar Data Required)
- Discrepancies between Expected and Actual Vehicle Dynamics based on Roadway Geometry
- TTC, PRT, Headway, Long. And Lat. Acc., Yaw Rate were used in this study.

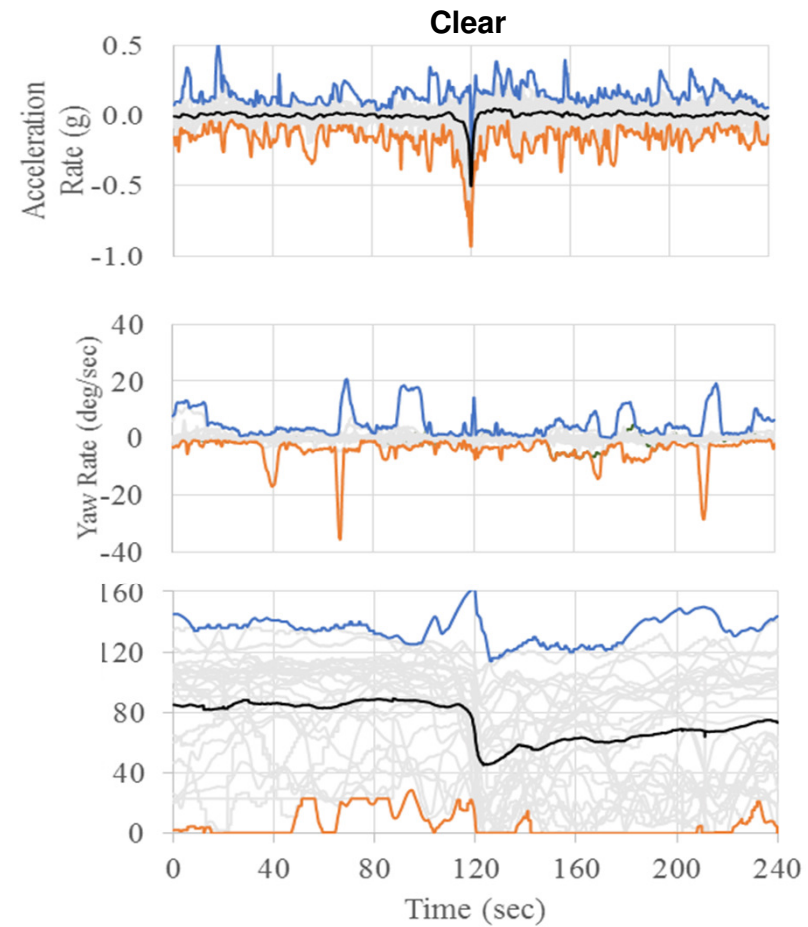
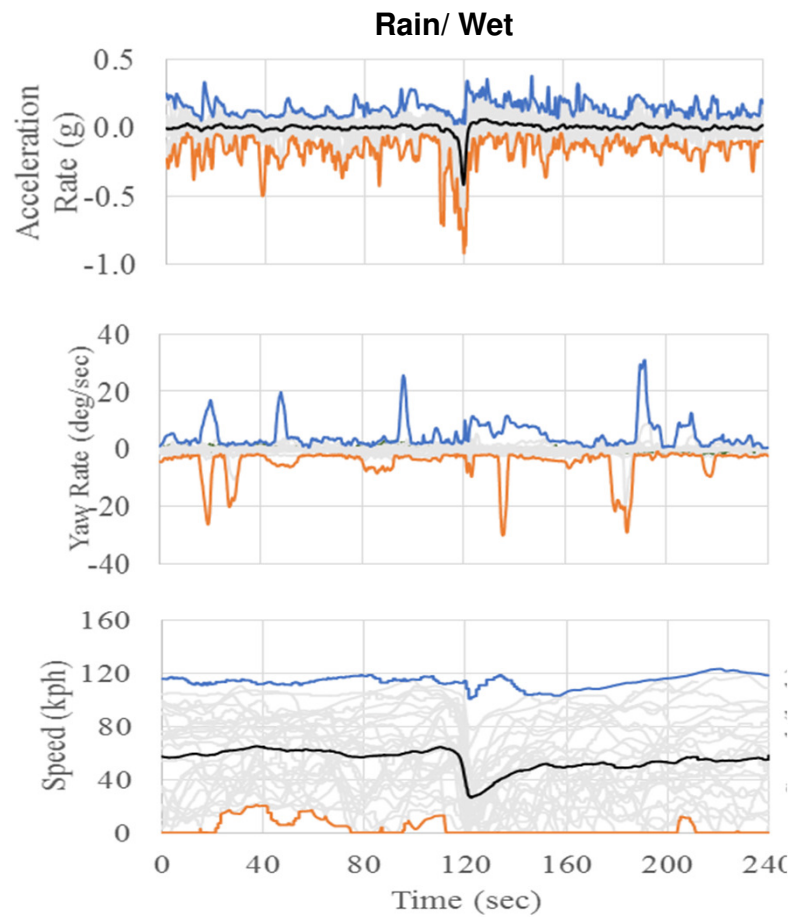


Crash Development (Adapted from Tingval et al., 2009)



Discrepancy between Roadway Geometry and Vehicle Dynamics (Wu and Thor, 2015)

# Identifying Deviation from Normal Driving in CV Environment





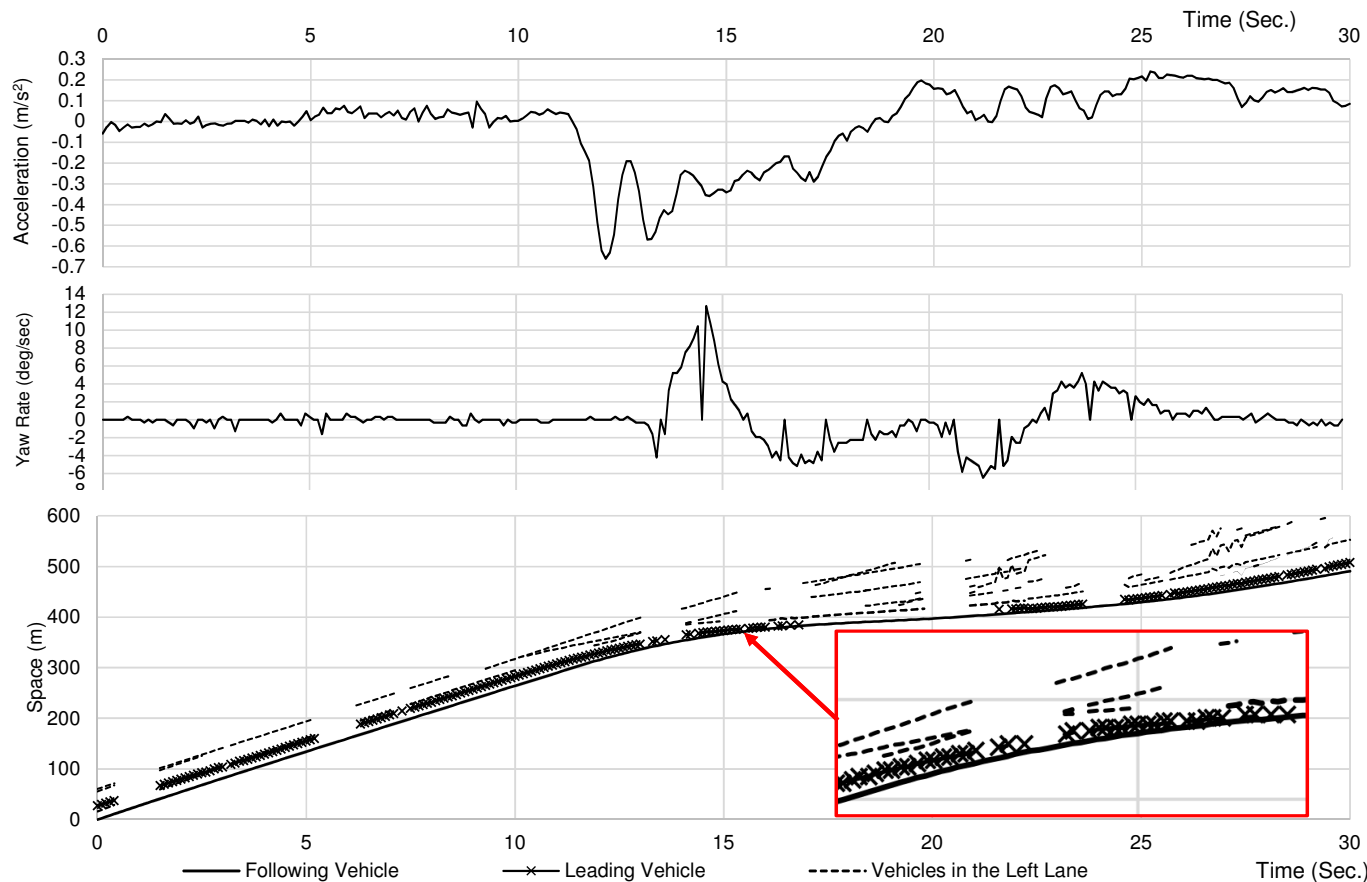
# Identifying Deviation from Normal Driving

Timeline Snapshots for a Rear-End Near-Crash





# Identifying Deviation from Normal Driving

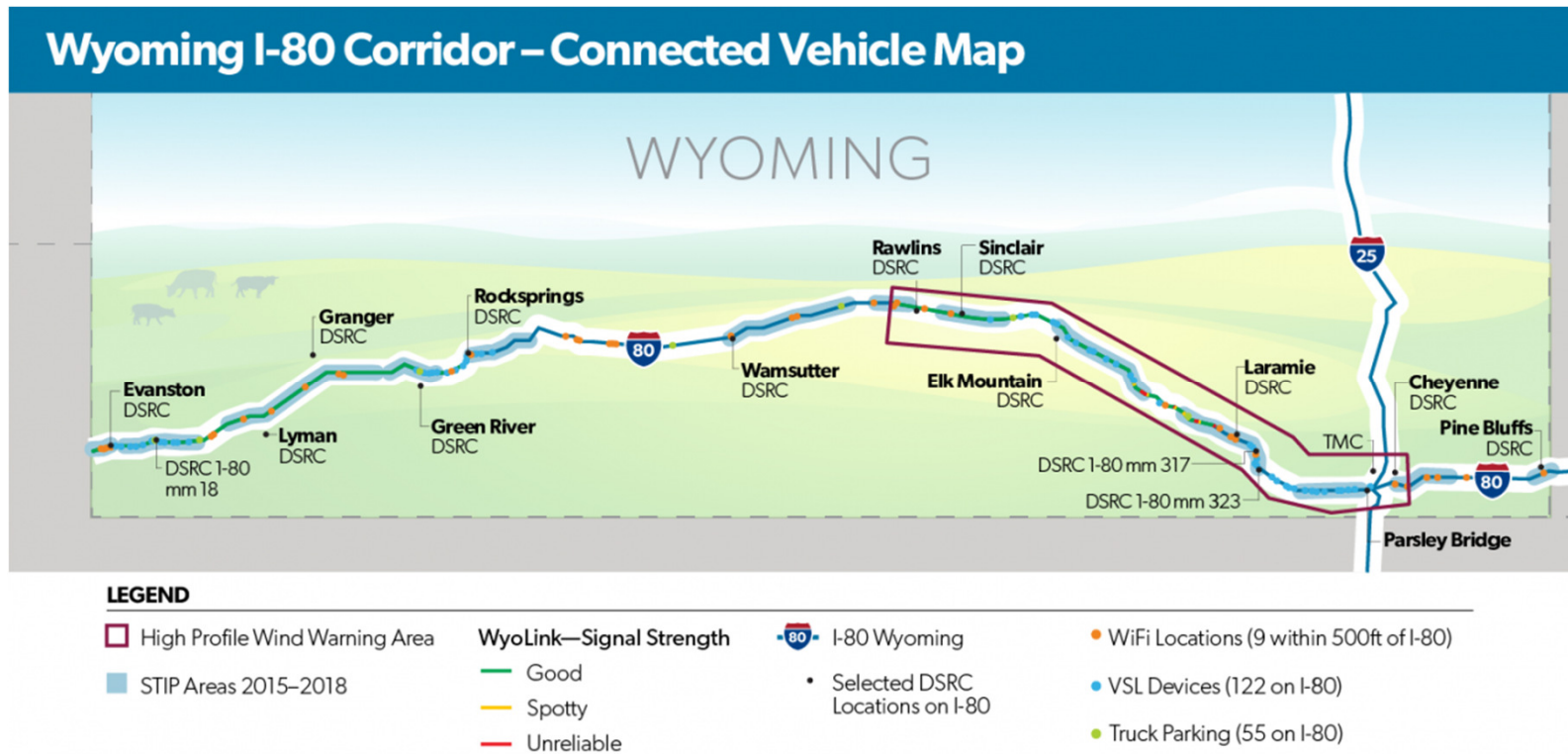


Acceleration and Yaw Rate for Following Vehicle Synchronized with Trajectories of Following, Leading, and Surrounding Vehicles for Swerving Event

## Lessons Learned

- The high resolution trajectory-level (microscopic) results from Phase 2 are timely for improving safety and mobility on freeways in Wyoming.
- Identifying trips in various weather conditions was achievable using novel 3 complementary methods.
- Within the identified trips, ML using video and vehicle kinematics provided promising results to identify trajectory-level road weather conditions.
- Transferability assessment of the SHRP2 Results needs more investigation.
- Moving forward with CAV, this will help in identifying the level of data needs.

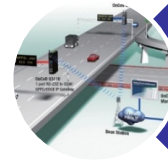
# PHASE 3: Connected Human-in-the-loop Variable Speed Limit and ATIS



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Weather/ Driver Behavior & Performance - Based Variable Speed Limit



Advanced Traveler Information System



Connected Vehicle Weather Application



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## Phase 3 Tasks

### **WYDOT Weather-based VSL and CV Integration**

1. Collect Wyoming VSL Baseline Data.
  - a) Adjust driver behavior models to Wyoming Conditions.
2. Add CV Speeds to the VSL logic.
  - a) Update microscopic traffic and driver parameters in microsimulation models for Wyoming (Driving Sim Integration).
3. Update VSL logic using adjusted results from SHRP2 Phase 2.
4. Identify and model deviation from Normal Driving (Critical Safety Events) on I-80 based on calibrated models from SHRP2.
5. Account for variation between SHRP2 and CV data in identifying Critical Safety Events.
6. Integrate within the CV Pilot Corridor.
7. Integrate the new system into the TMC's IRIS winter 2018-19.
8. Develop a VSL Guidance.

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# Questions?

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