

Aviation and its Contributions to Healthcare

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Captain Guy Adams
CTC Aviation



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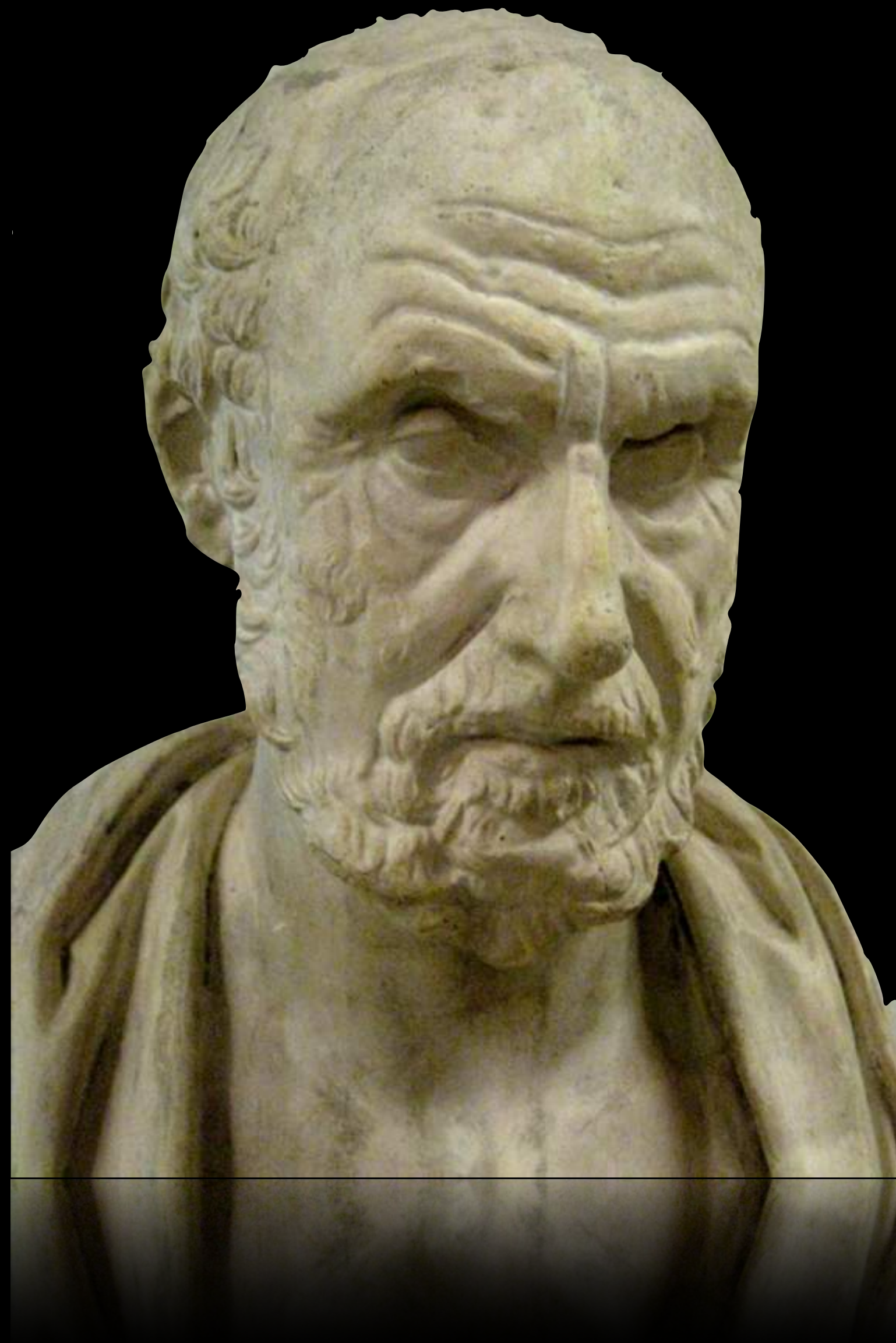
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health care is dangerous

200,000 preventable deaths
per year in USA

≈20 large jet airliner crashes
per week, with no survivors





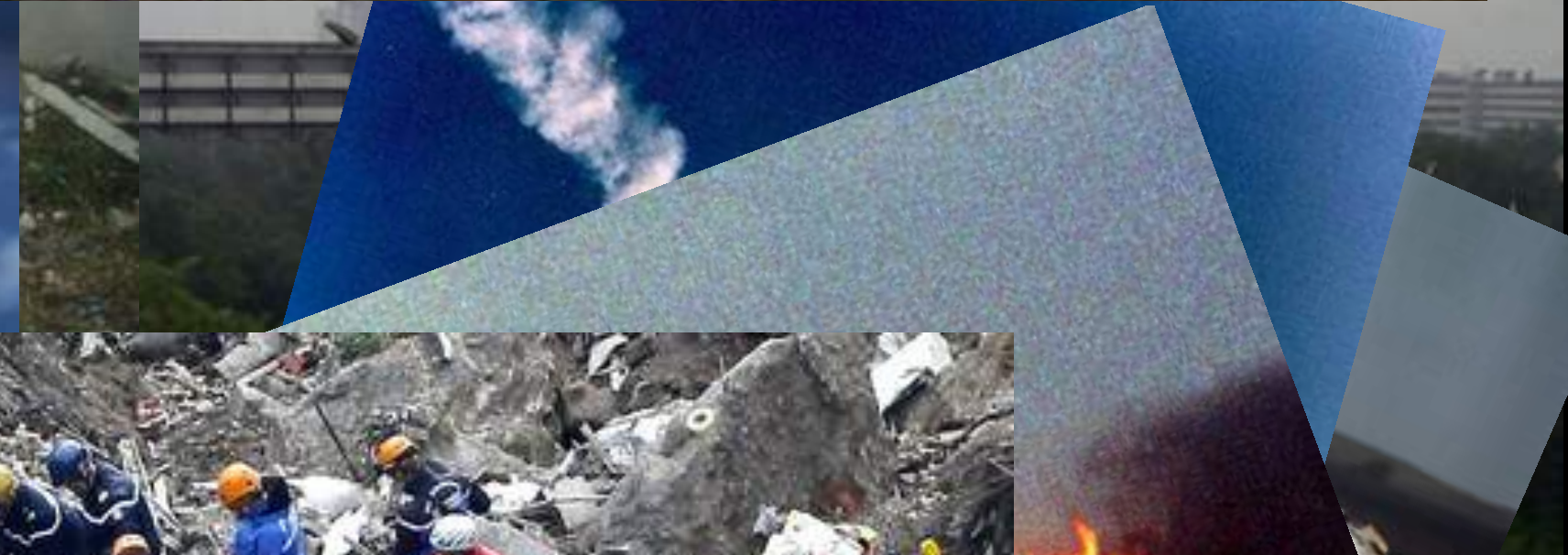
FIRST,
DO NO HARM



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preoccupied with failure
reluctant to simplify interpretations
sensitive to operations

committed to resilience
defer to expertise

**human factors account for 30-90%
of accidents
in hazardous environments**

high-reliability organisations



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HUMAN ERROR IS INEVITABLE

60-70% of an NHS Hospital Turnover is spent on staff

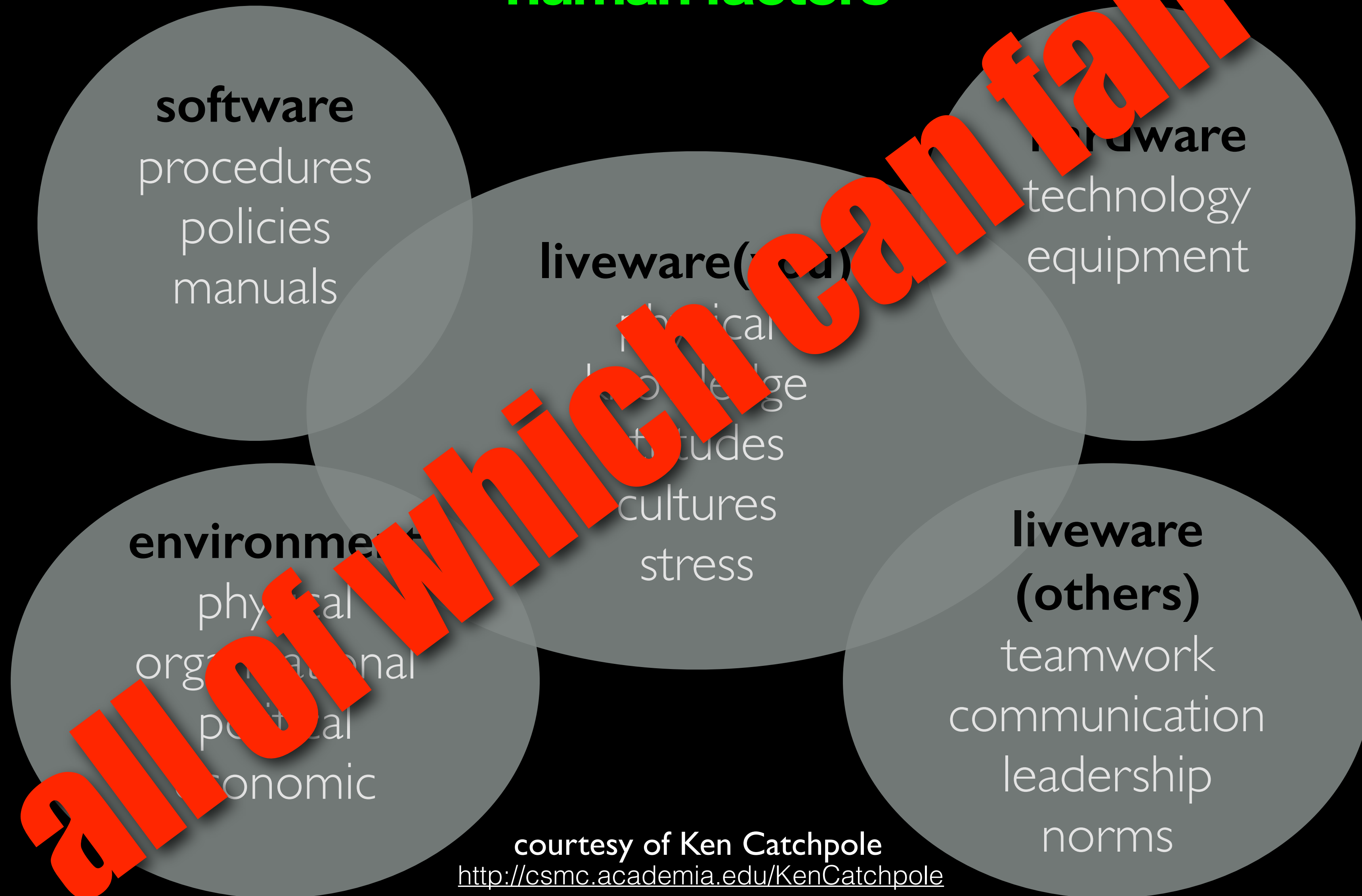


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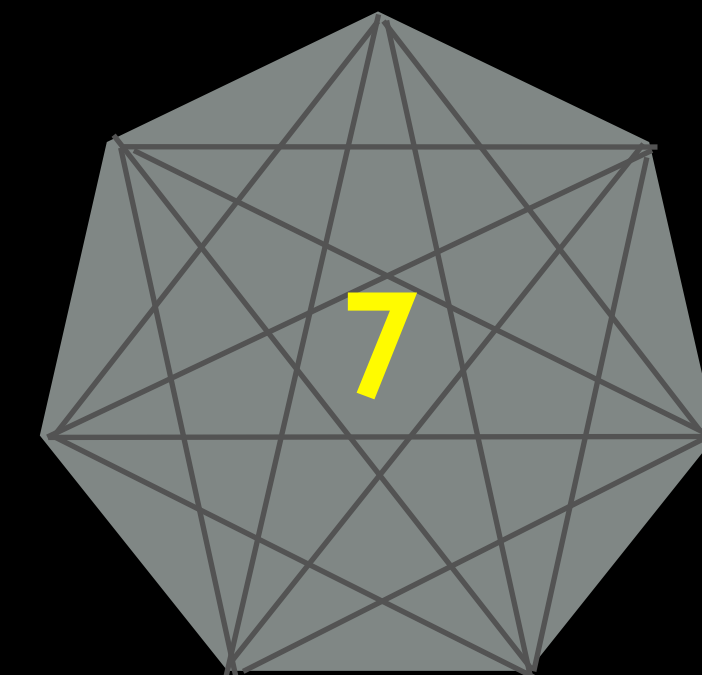
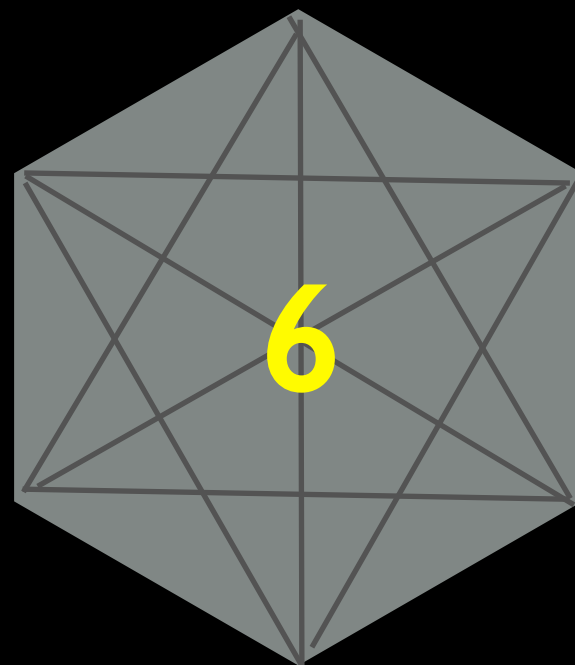
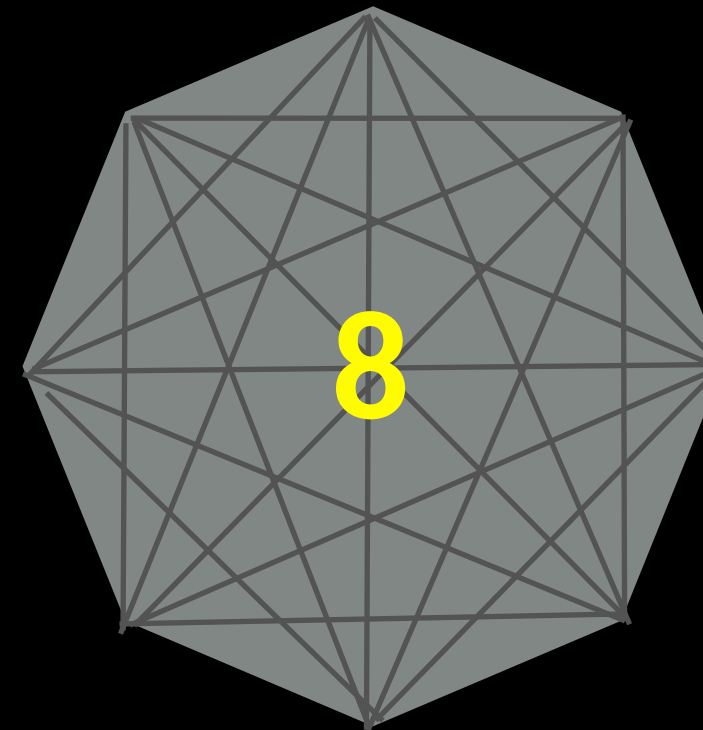
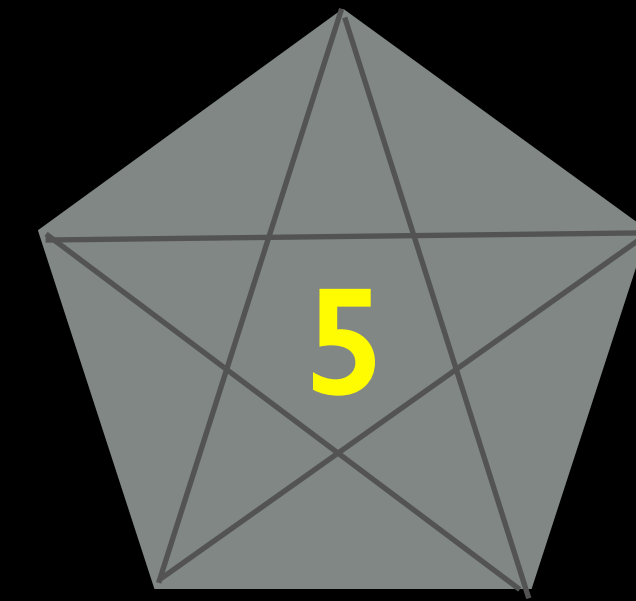
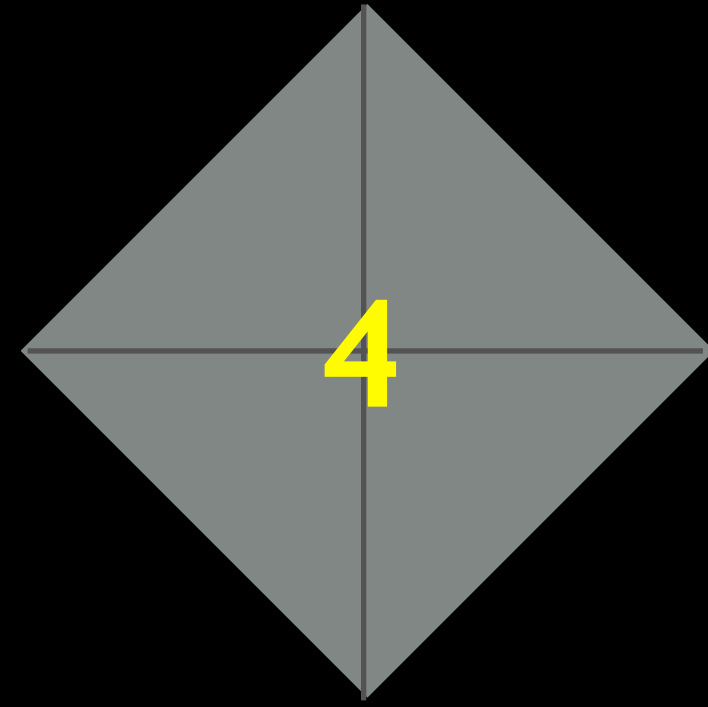


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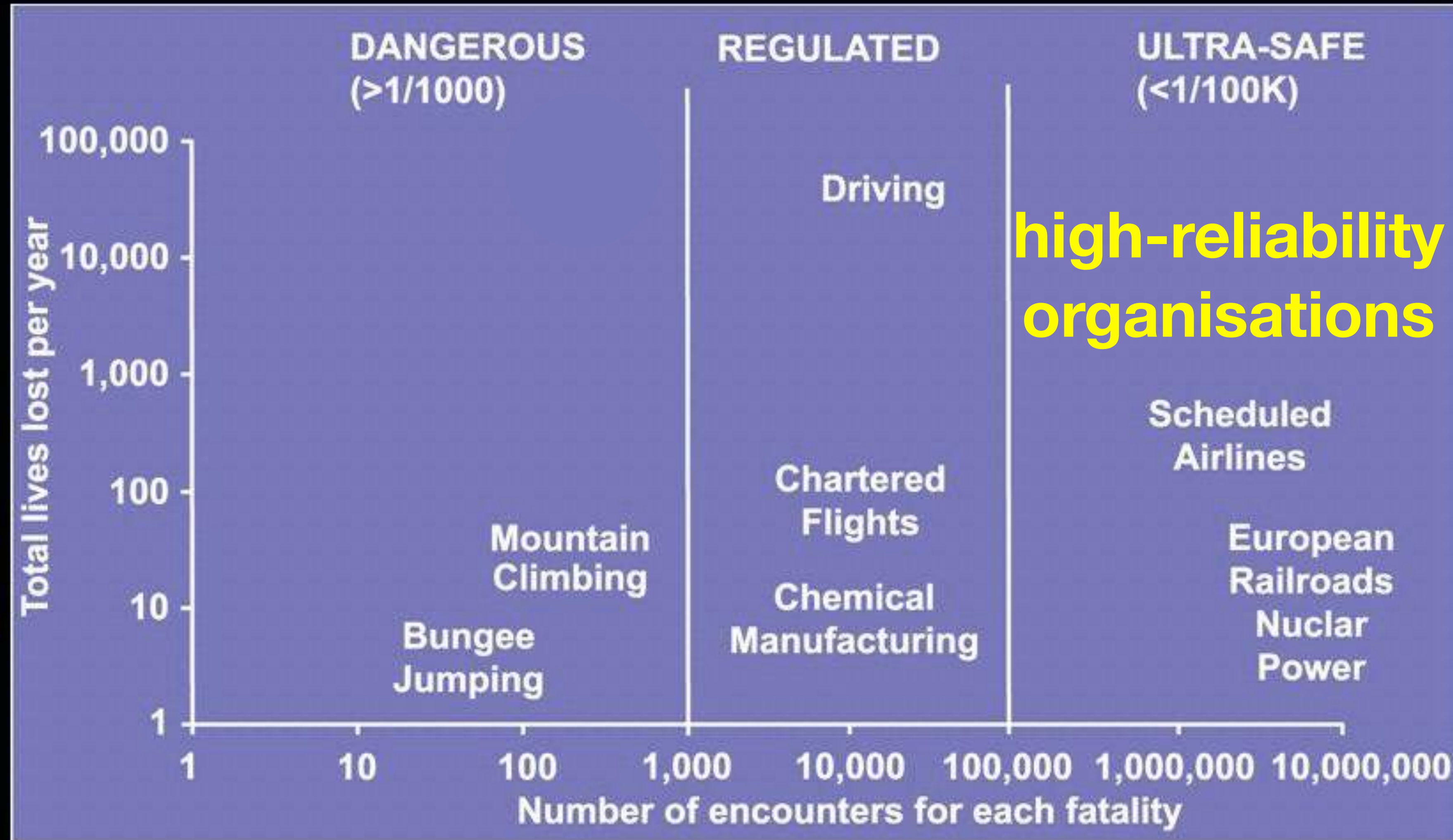
the complex inter-relationships of cardiac care; human factors



How many interactions to be **effective**?



how **safe** is healthcare?



Courtesy of Prof James Reason

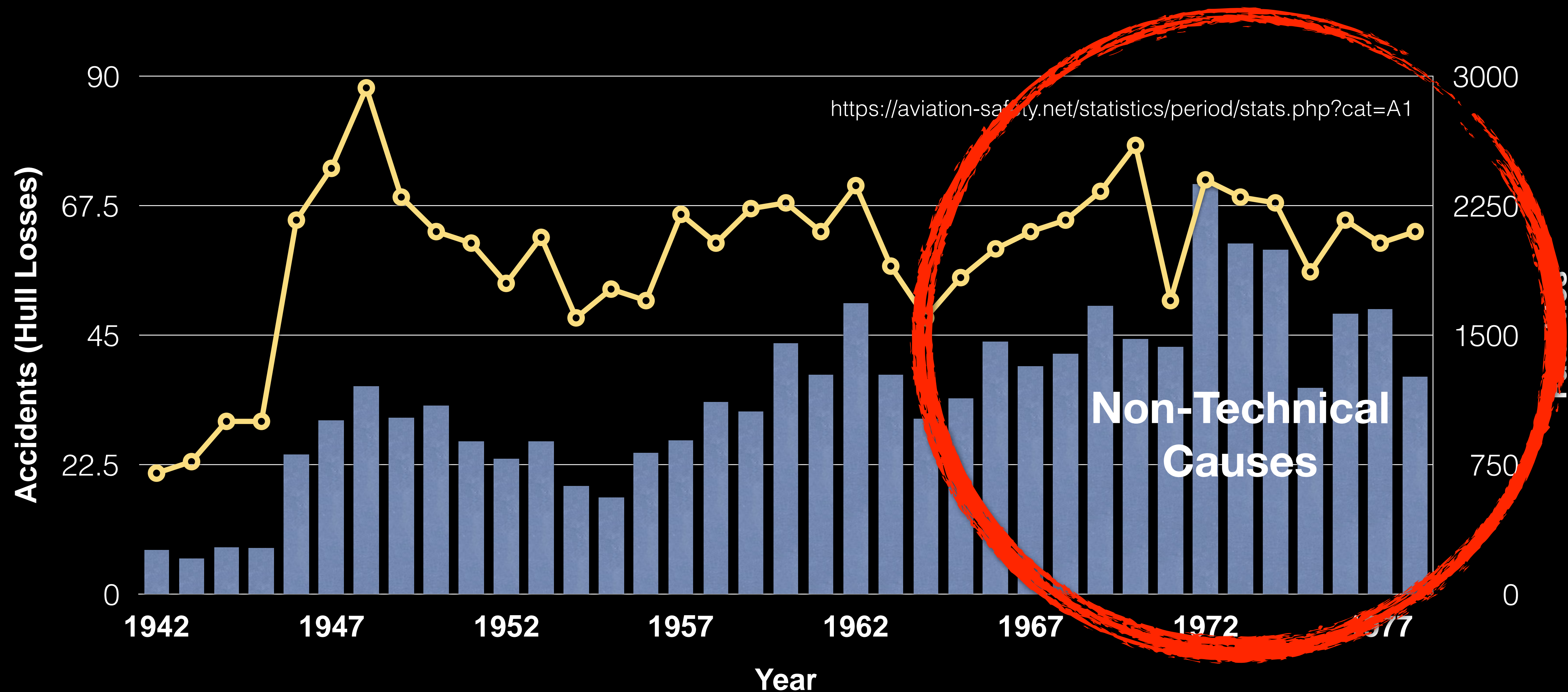


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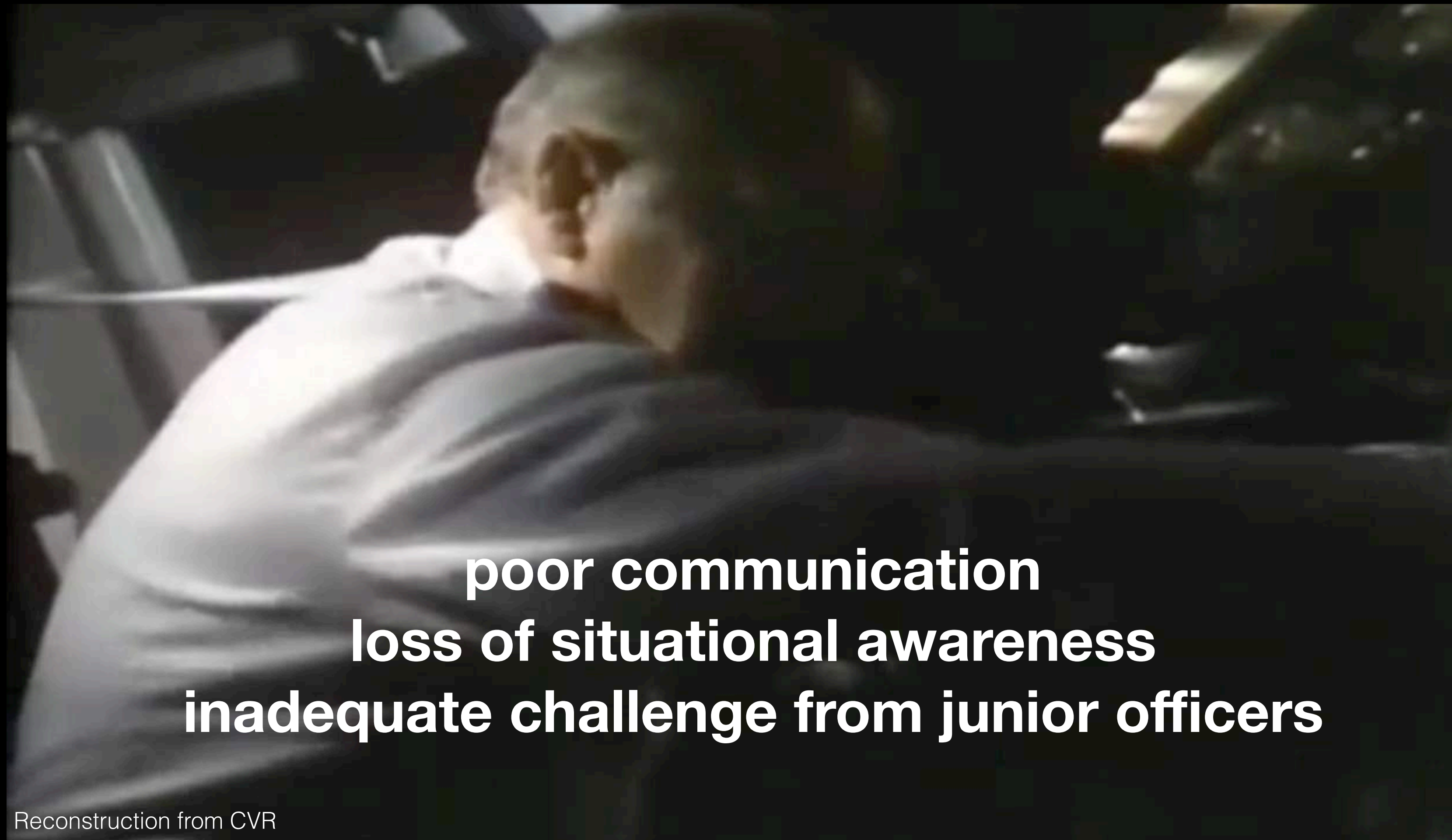


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Fatal Airliner (>14 passengers) hull-loss accidents



Eastern Flight 401 29 Dec 1972



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poor communication
non-standard terminology
co-pilot's lack of assertiveness
captain unwilling to accept input
KLM captains 'legendary status'



Captain Jacob van Zanten

KLM. From the people who made punctuality possible.

Building an airline of KLM's standing requires a special kind of dedication. Like making a point of being punctual. A quality that's very much part of the Dutch.

It was Christiaan Huygens after all, who gave it real significance – when he invented the spring balance that made timepieces transportable. A creation without which life is inconceivable. Or air travel, for that matter. And one that illustrates that singular Dutch ability for doing things well. As you'll discover when you fly KLM. You'll find your trust sincerely reciprocated. With efficiency, punctuality and friendly understanding.

For that is the way the people of Holland are. People whose involvement make KLM a big, reliable, international airline. As your travel agent will confirm.

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A right royal time is what you have in KLM's Royal Class. Service is punctual and princely. Dinner for instance, is always rounded off with a choice of seven different coffees. But then, it's only in keeping with that stylish class far too good to be called just first.



KLM

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The reliable airline of those surprising Dutch.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jacob_Veldhuyzen_van_Zanten



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United 173, December 28, 1978

As a result of a relatively minor landing gear problem, a United Airlines DC-8 was in a holding pattern while awaiting landing at Portland, Oregon.

Although the first officer knew the aircraft was low on fuel, he failed to express his concerns convincingly to the captain.

The plane ran out of fuel and crashed

<http://www.airdisaster.com/investigations/ua173.shtml>

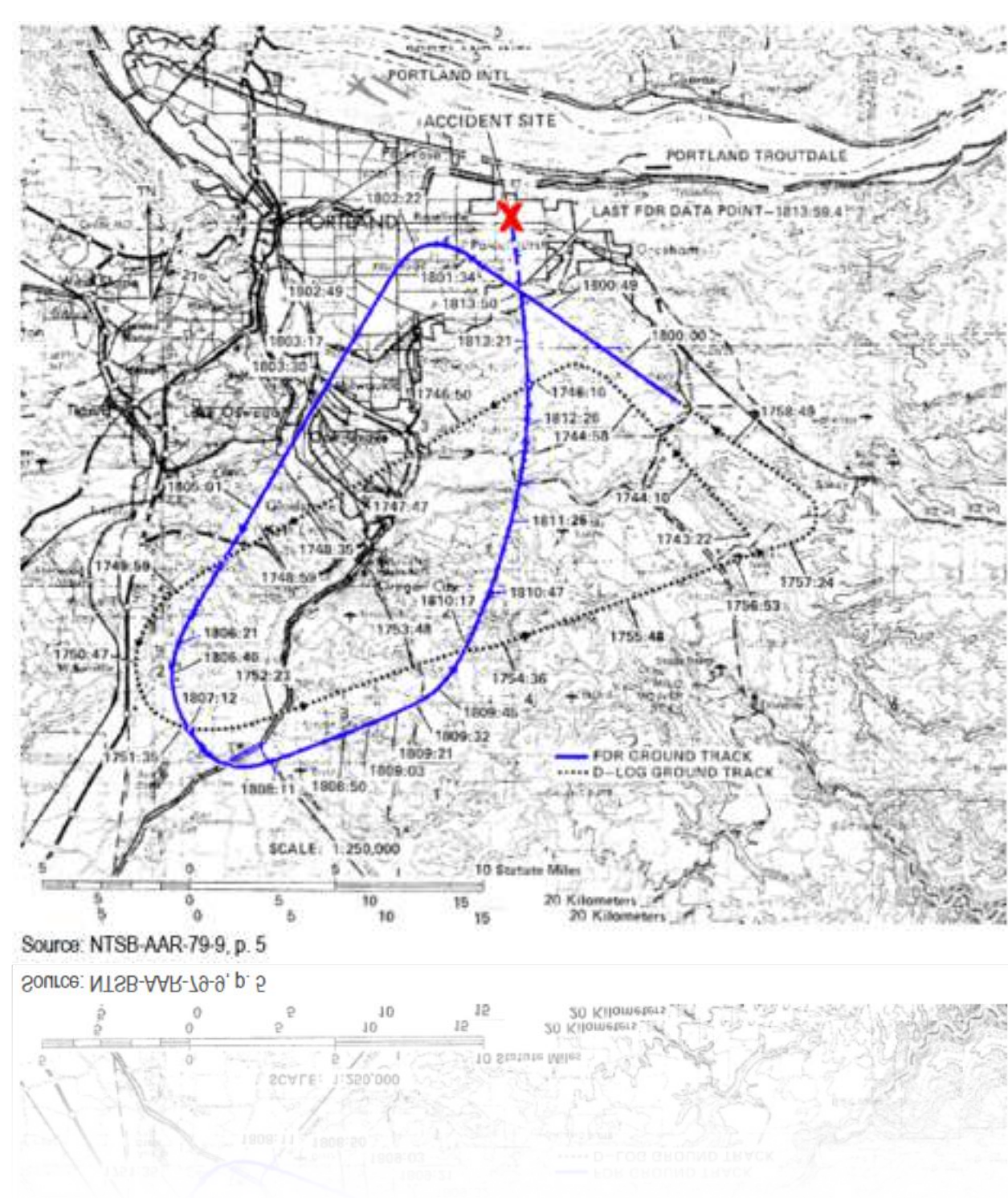


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Time	Crew Member	Words
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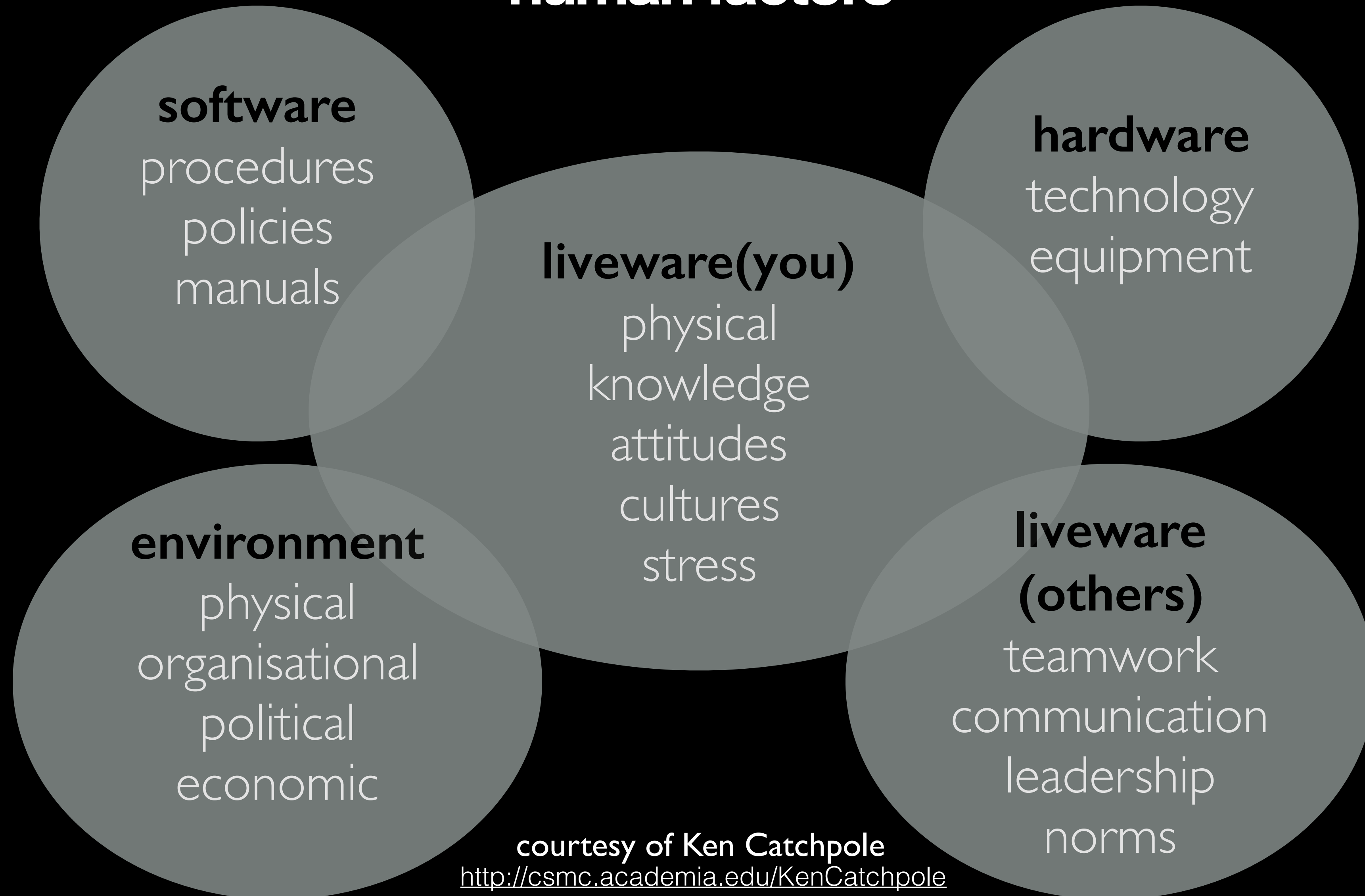


“The National Transportation Safety Board determined that the probable cause of the accident was **the failure of the captain to monitor properly the aircraft’s fuel state and to properly respond to the low fuel state and the crew-member’s advisories regarding fuel state.** This resulted in fuel exhaustion to all engine’s. His **inattention resulted from preoccupation with a landing gear malfunction and preparations for a possible landing emergency.**

Contributing to the accident was the **failure of the other two flight crew members either to fully comprehend the criticality of the fuel state or to successfully communicate their concern to the captain.”**



complex inter-relationships; human factors



1970's culture

centred around the pilot



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Capt. Chesley “Sully” Sullenberger

“In the bad old days , when the captain was a god with a small ‘g’ and a Cowboy with a capital ‘C’, first officers carried little notebooks that listed the idiosyncrasies and personal preferences of different captains.”

nurses do the same for surgeons



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Prof. Robert Helmreich
former Prof of Psychology at University of Texas

“There was no concept of a team. None whatsoever. Captains looked at first officers and engineers not as resources but as kind of like fire extinguishers:

“Break the glass if they’re needed””

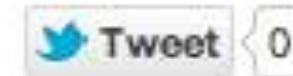


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By Joel Taylor - 19th April, 2012



Flybe pilots sacked after 'my bitch' jibe led to mid-air row

Two Flybe pilots were sacked for turning the air blue after the captain called the first officer 'his bitch' and was told to 'f*** off' in reply, a tribunal has heard.



Two Flybe pilots have been dismissed following a mid-air row (Picture: PA)

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NTSB Recommendation after United 173

“Issue an operations bulletin to all air carrier operations inspectors directing them to urge their assigned operators to **ensure that their flightcrews are indoctrinated in principles of flightdeck resource management, with particular emphasis on the merits of participative management for captains and assertiveness training for other cockpit crewmembers.**”



flight-deck resource management

cockpit resource management

crew resource management

CRM



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CRM Components

- Communication
- Leadership Skills
- Decision-making
- Situation Awareness
- Teamworking
- Managing stress and fatigue
- Understanding one's limitation

Non-Technical Skills

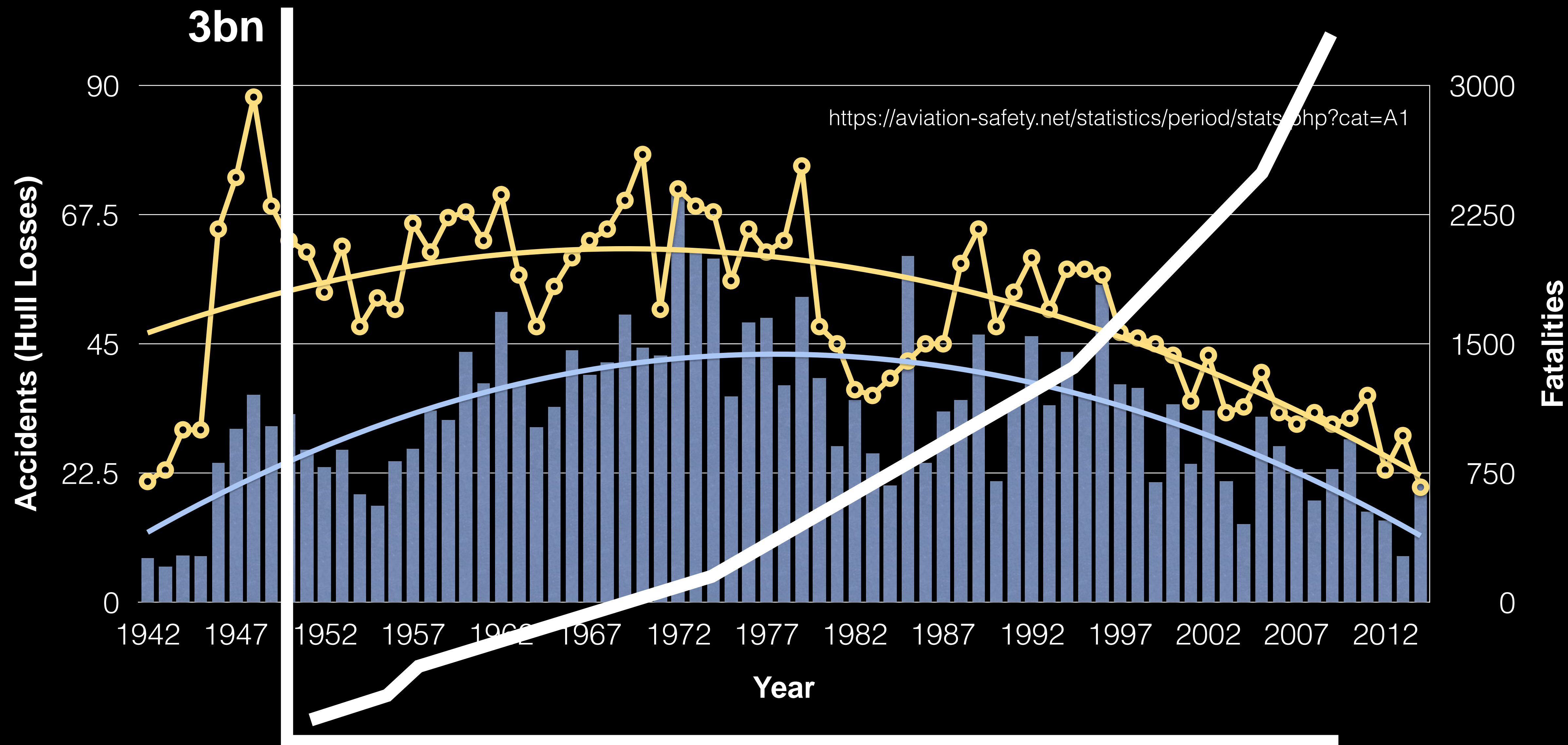


effect of CRM

- ▶ 98% of flights face threat
- ▶ Errors occur on 82% of flights
- ▶ 70% decrease in crashes since the inception of CRM



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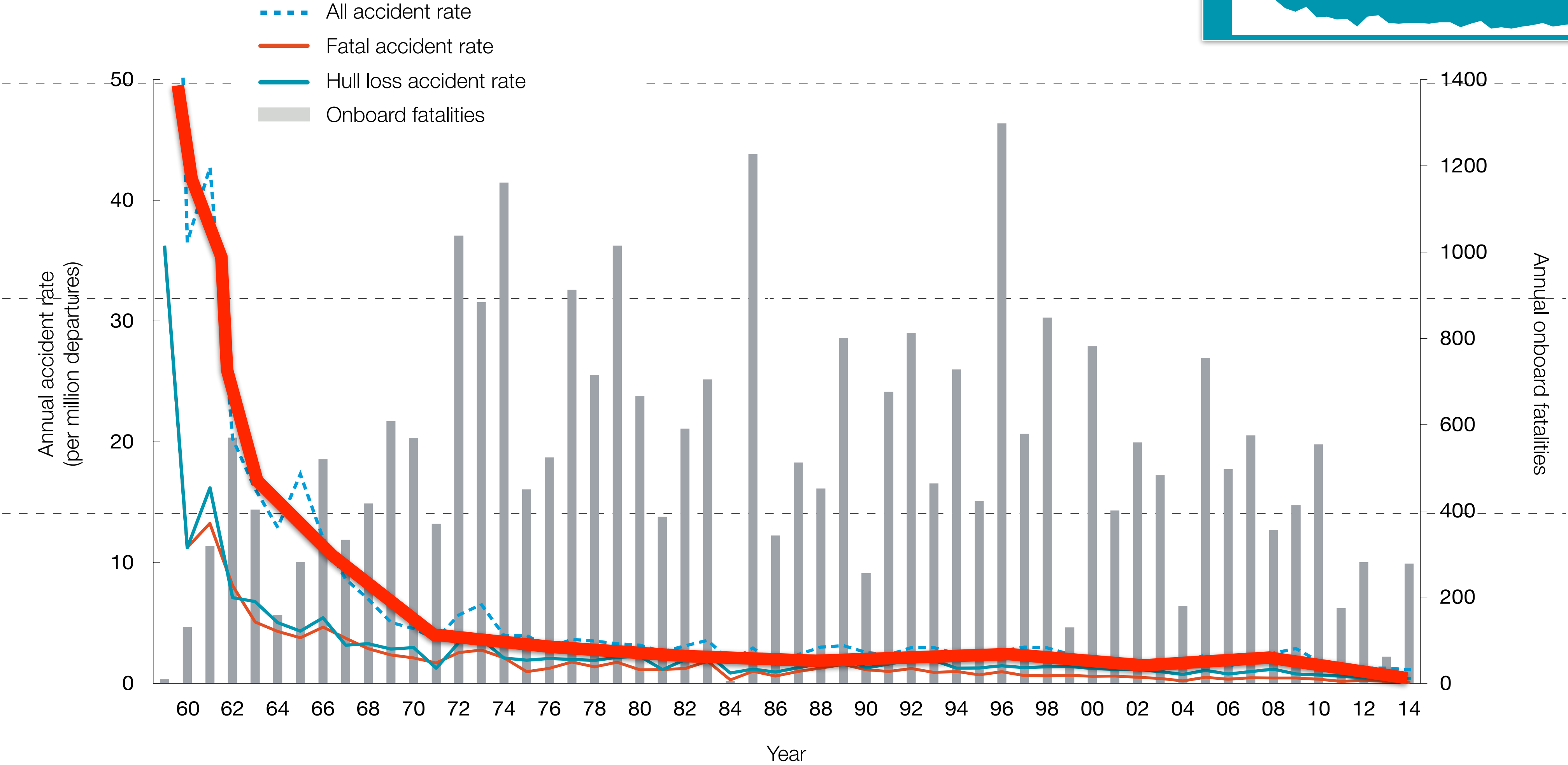
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Accident Rates and Onboard Fatalities by Year

Worldwide Commercial Jet Fleet | 1959 through 2014



**Statistical Summary
of Commercial Jet Airplane Accidents**
Worldwide Operations | 1959 – 2014



TOP 10 MOST DANGEROUS US-JOBS IN 2010

(with fatal work injury rate)

1.	Fishermen	116,0
2.	Logging workers	91,9
3.	Airplane pilots	70,6
4.	Farmers and ranchers	41,4
5.	Mining machine operators	38,7
6.	Roofers	32,4
7.	Sanitation workers	29,8
8.	Truck drivers and delivery workers	21,8
9.	Industrial machine workers	20,3
10.	Police officers	18,0

Slide Courtesy of Manfred Mueller, Lufthansa

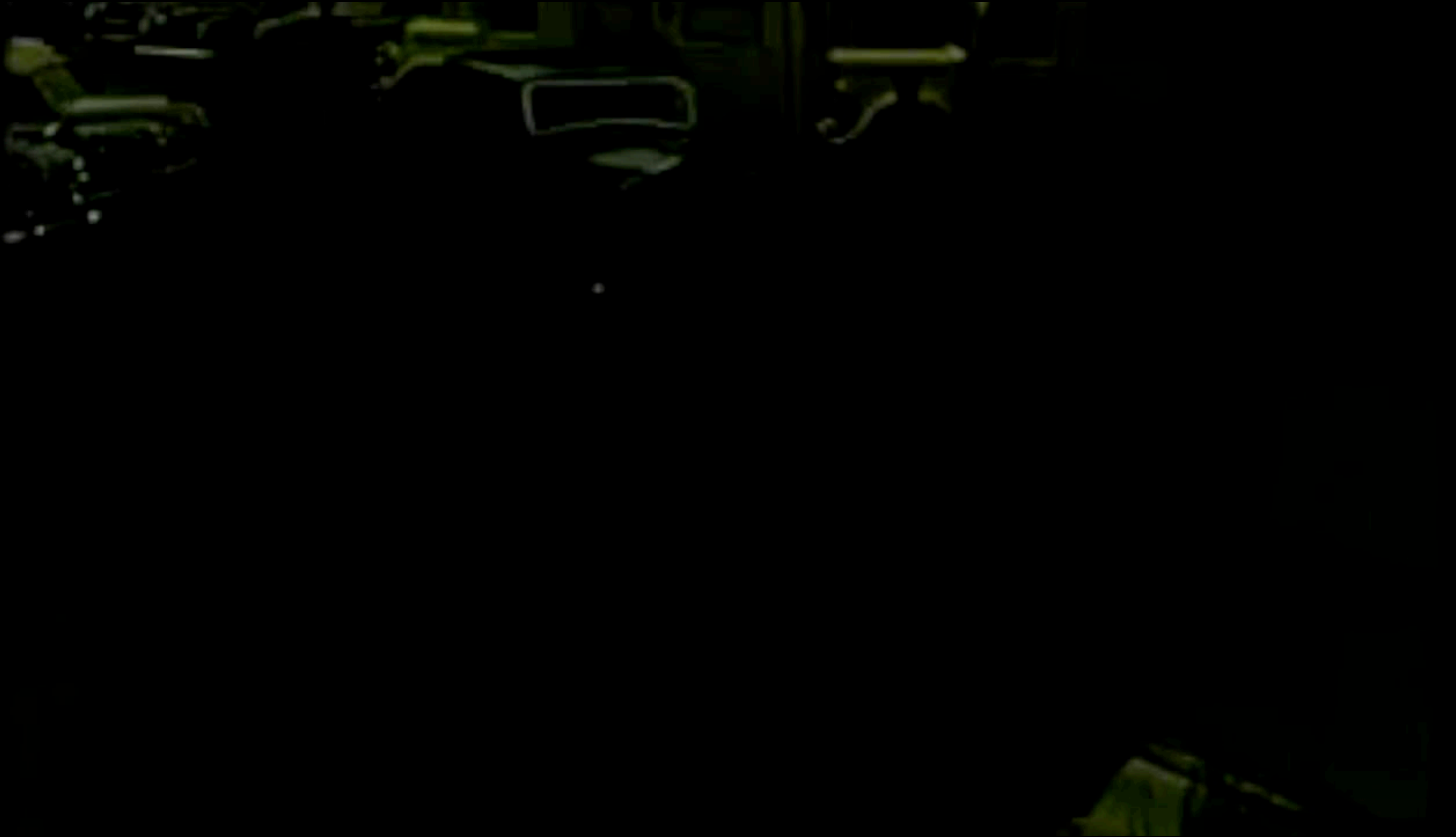


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Surgical Culture



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the eye of hawk, the heart of a lion and the hands of a lady



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teaching by humiliation



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cardiac surgeons

must be situationally aware, able to marshal available resources, initiate rapid changes in management and do so in a way that uses adaptive command and control skills

“goal-orientated with a strong sense of their own ability to control their actions and environment”

“sacrifice their personal needs on the altar of their career”

“may enjoy the positional power that comes with the role”

Winlaw DS, Large MM, Jacobs JP, et al. Leadership, surgeon well-being, and other non-technical aspects of pediatric cardiac surgery. In: Barach PR, Jacobs JP, Lipschultz SE, et al., eds. Pediatric and Congenital Cardiac Care: volume 2: Quality improvement and patient safety. London: Springer-Verlag, 2015:293-306.



Strength	Derailer
Diligent	Perfectionist
Charming	Manipulative
Confident	Arrogant
Shrewd	Mistrustful
Focused	Passive aggressive
Careful	Cautious
Independent	Detached
Imaginative	Eccentric
Vivacious	Dramatic
Enthusiastic	Volatile
Dutiful	Dependent

http://www.rcseng.ac.uk/publications/docs/leadership_management.html/?searchterm=giddings



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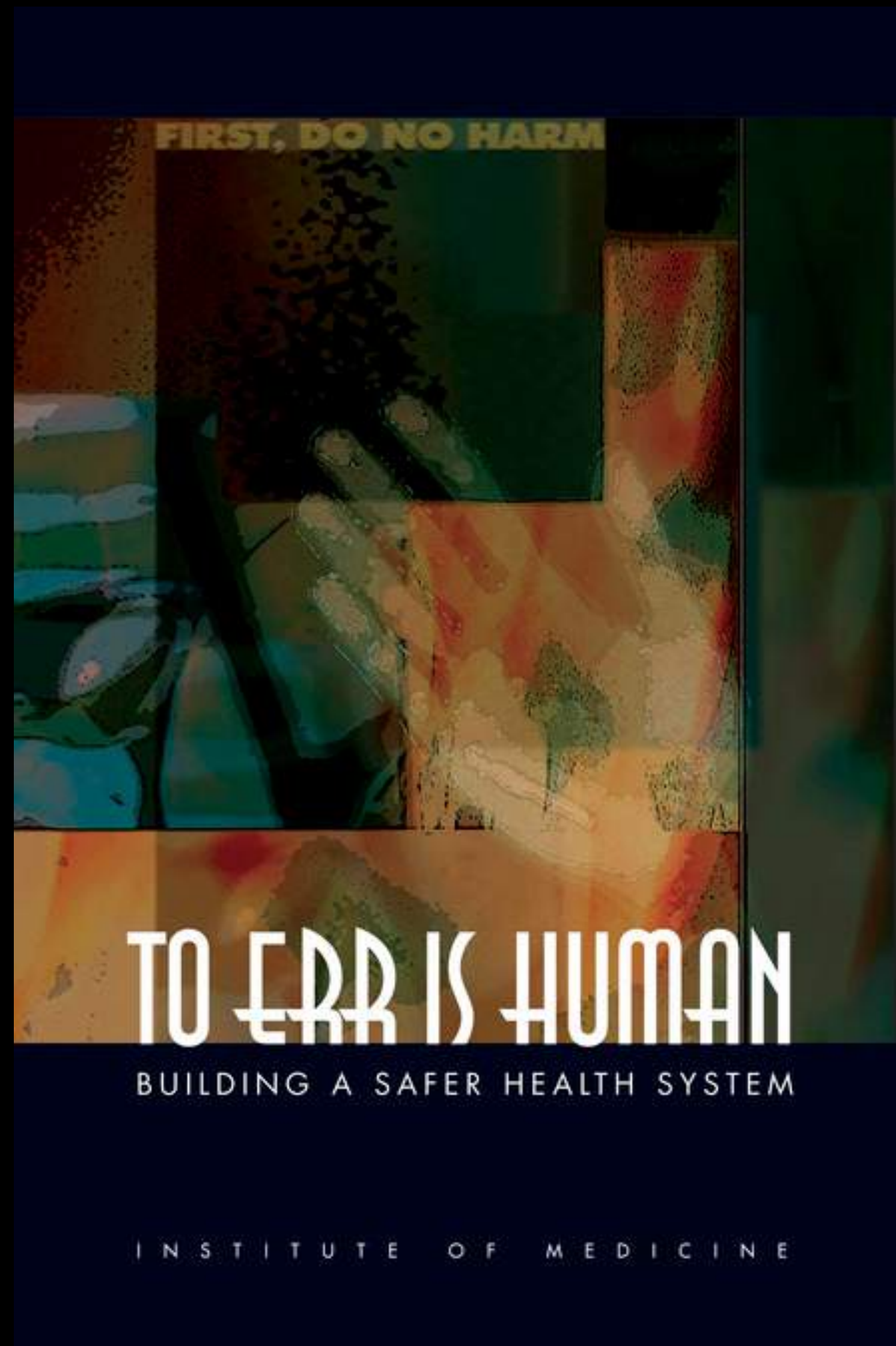
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Analysis of a cluster of surgical failures: Application to a series of neonatal arterial switch operations

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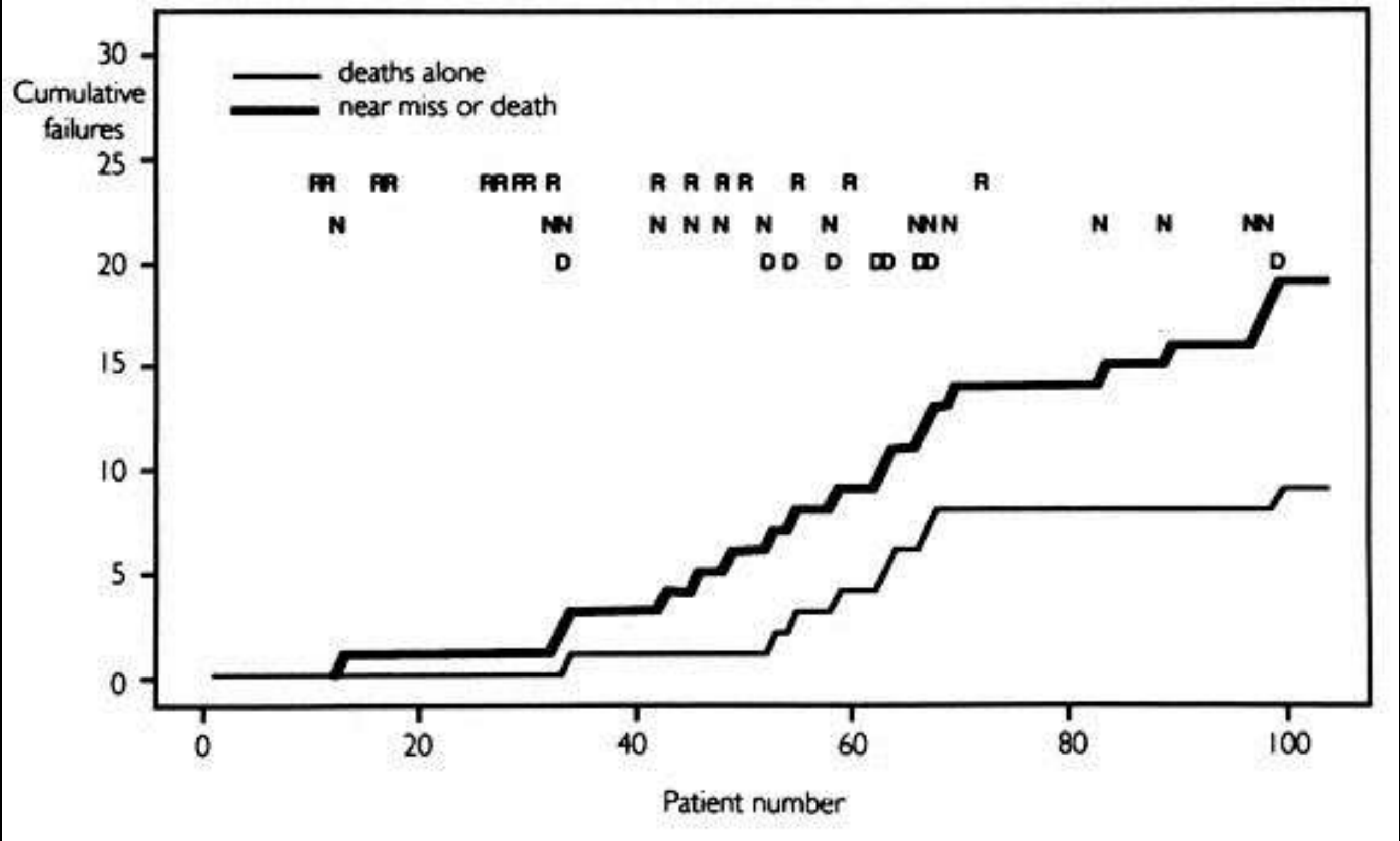


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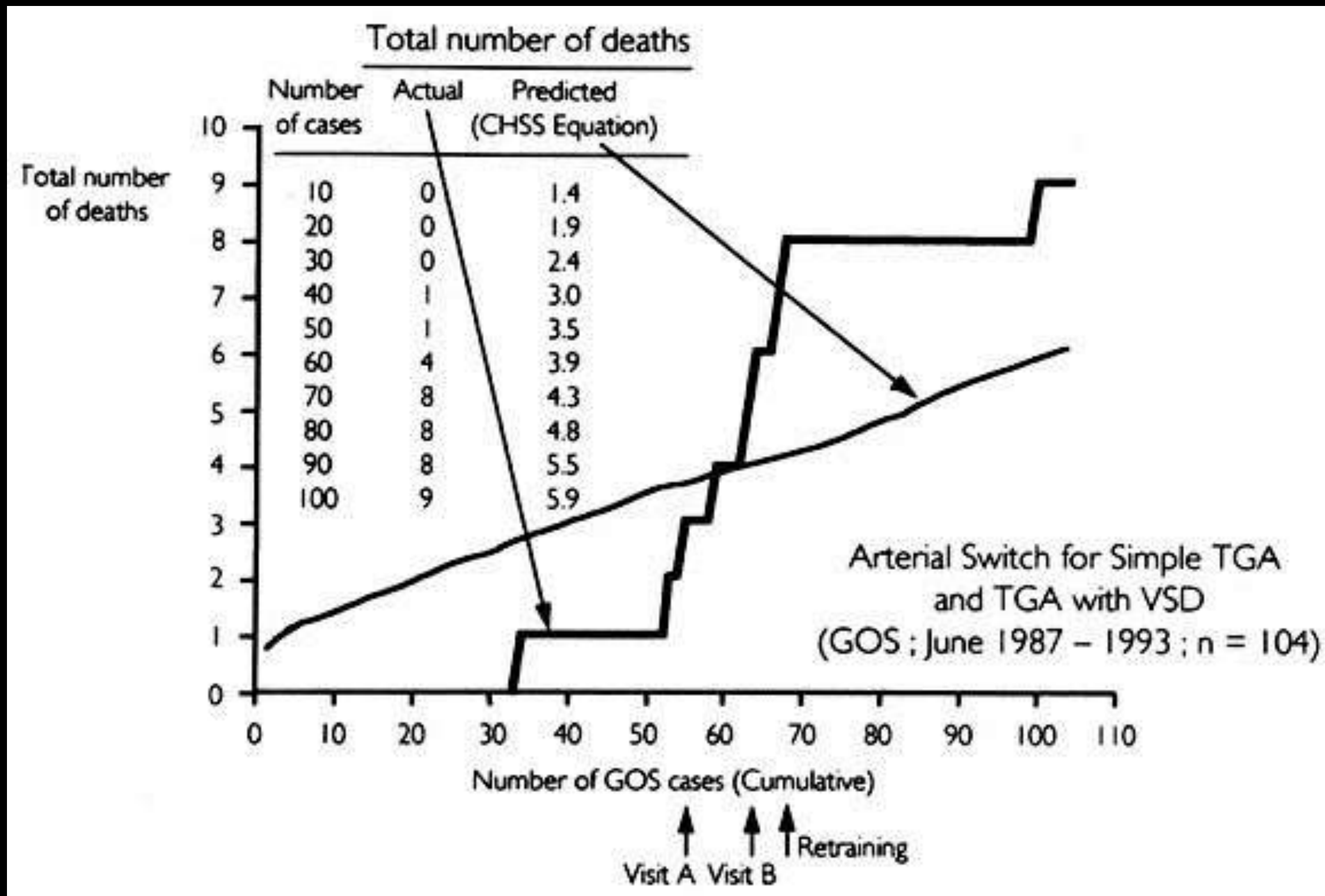
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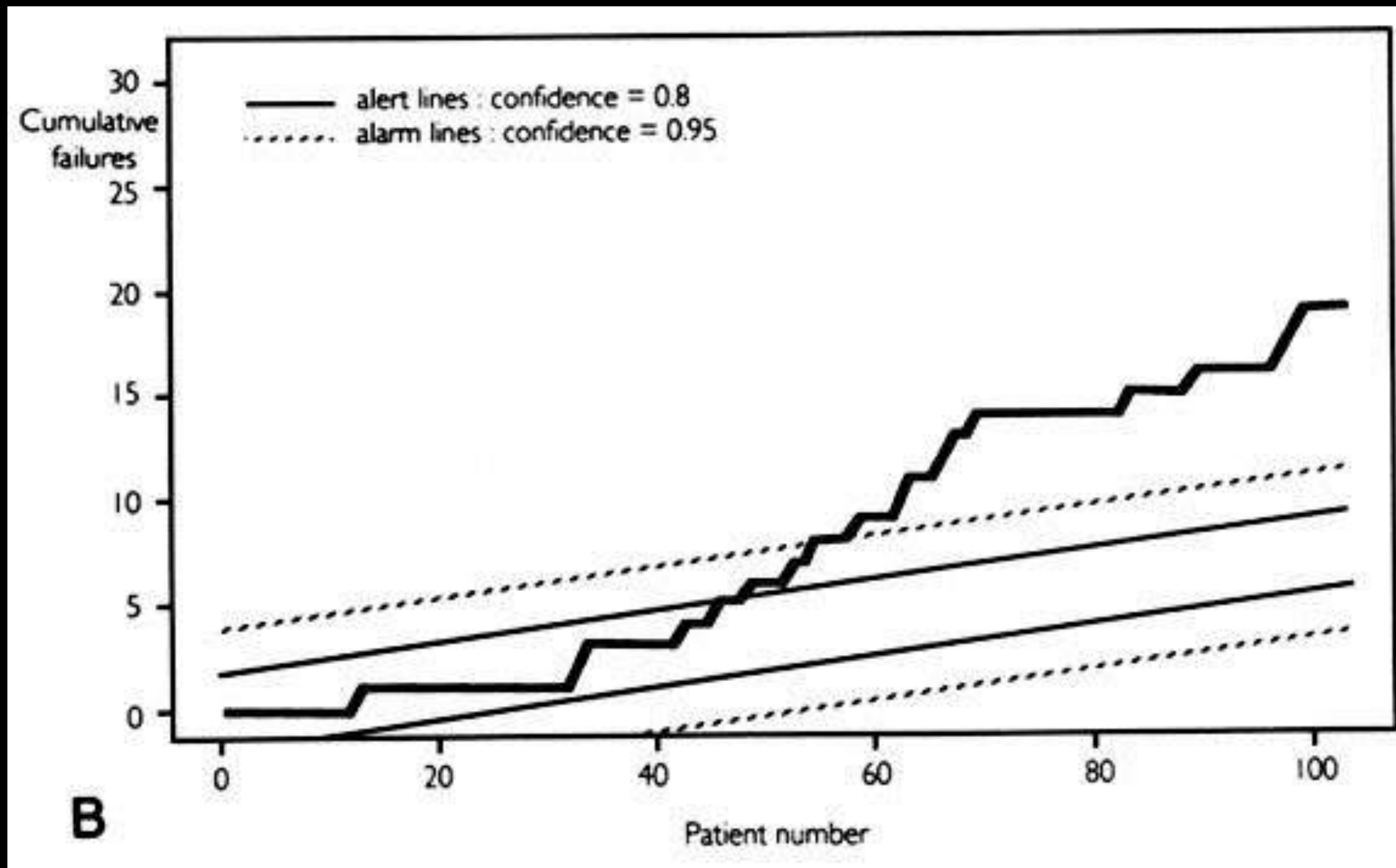


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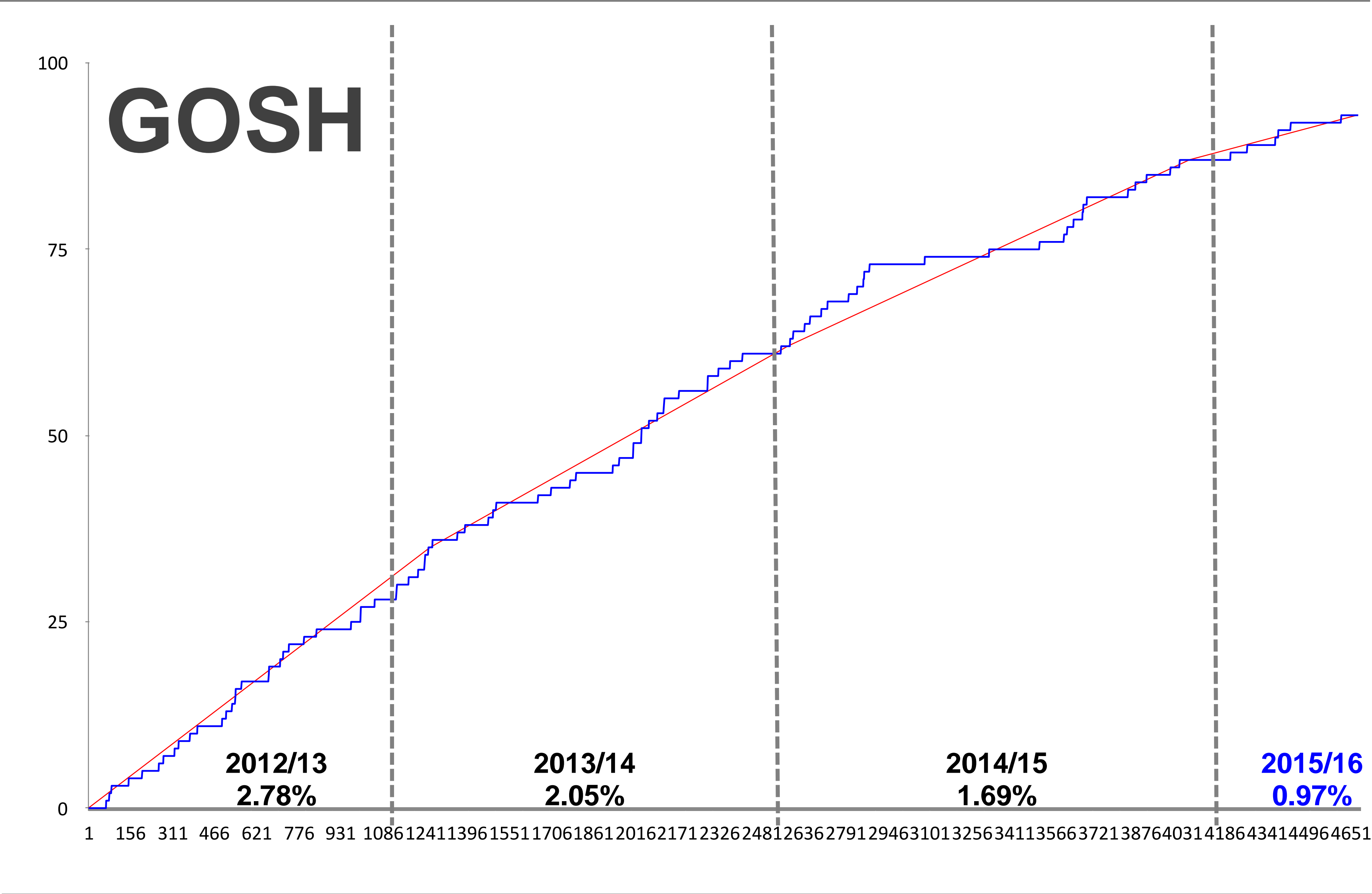


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In-Hospital Cardiac Surgery Mortality



James Reason

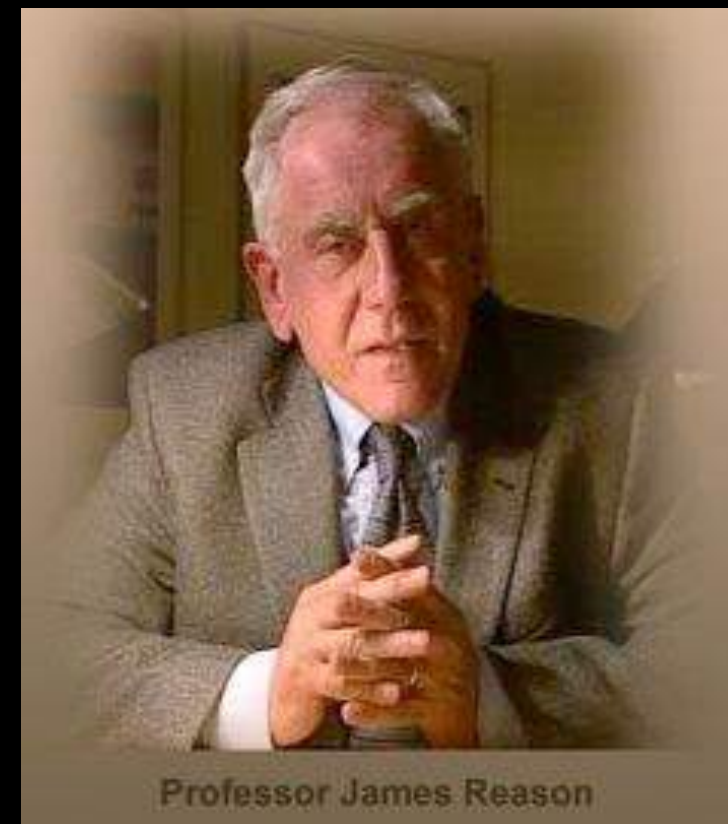


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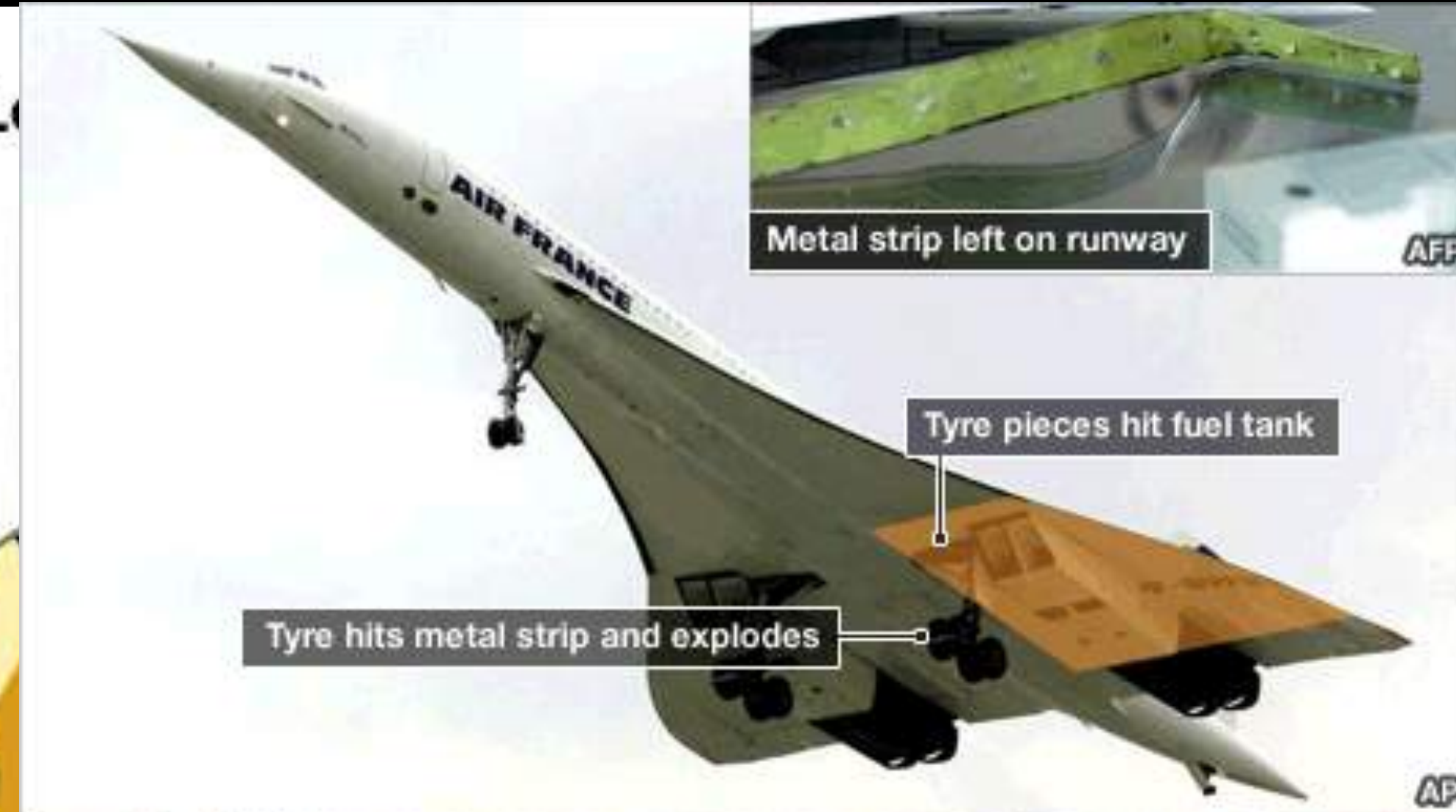


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Reason's Swiss Cheese Theory



Active errors
(Patient safety incidents)



(Patient safety incidents)

management decisions etc.

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Human factors and surgical outcomes: a Cartesian dream.
Lancet 1997;**349**(9053):723-5.



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The Clinical Human Factors Group

Martin Bromiley,
talking about his wife
Elaine



www.risky-business.com

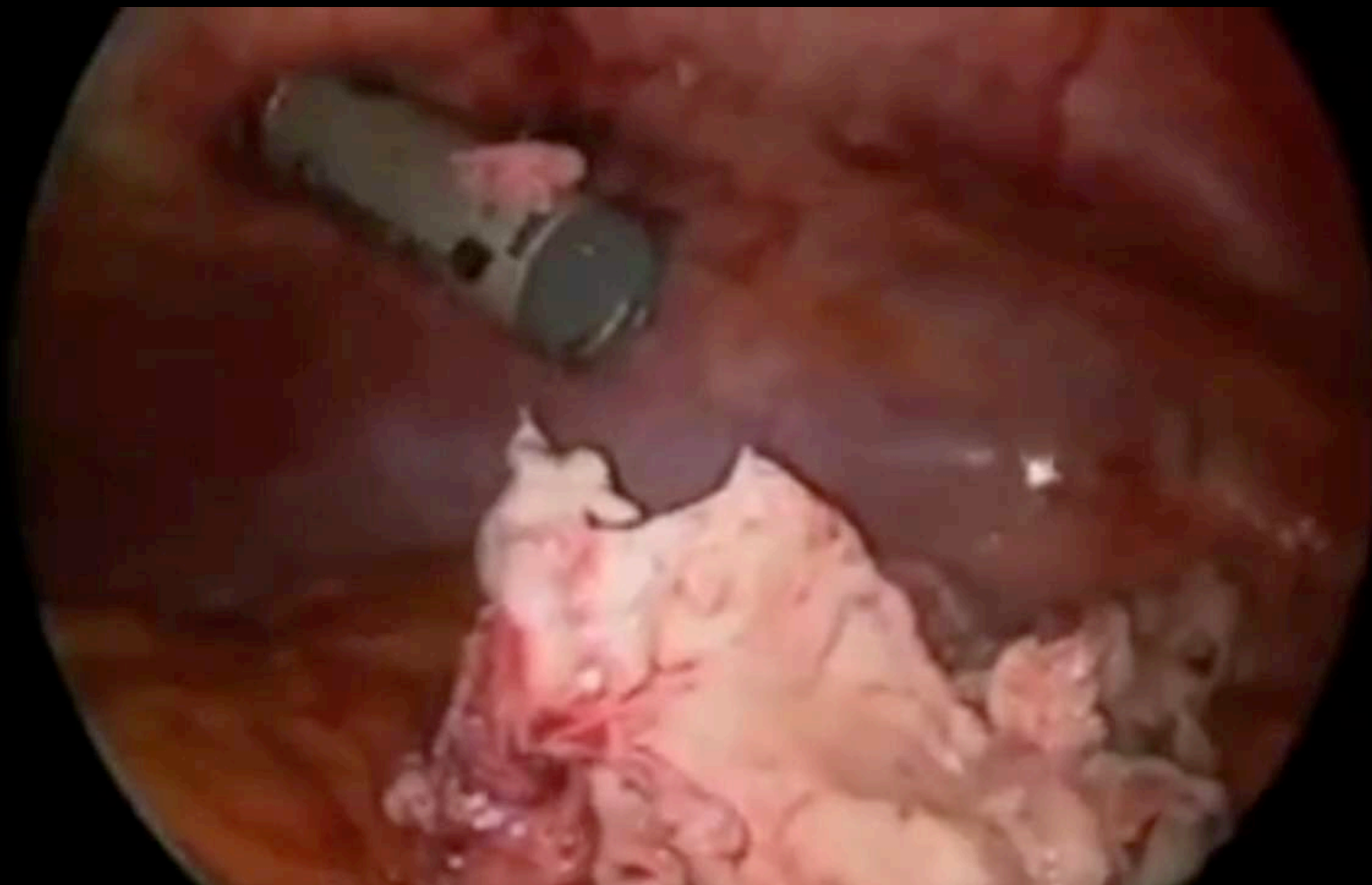


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Bethany and the morcellator



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Bethany Bowen

congenital spherocytosis
2 siblings

elective laparoscopic splenectomy
major teaching hospital



this is her mother, Clare

Bethany died,
and, within a year, so did her father

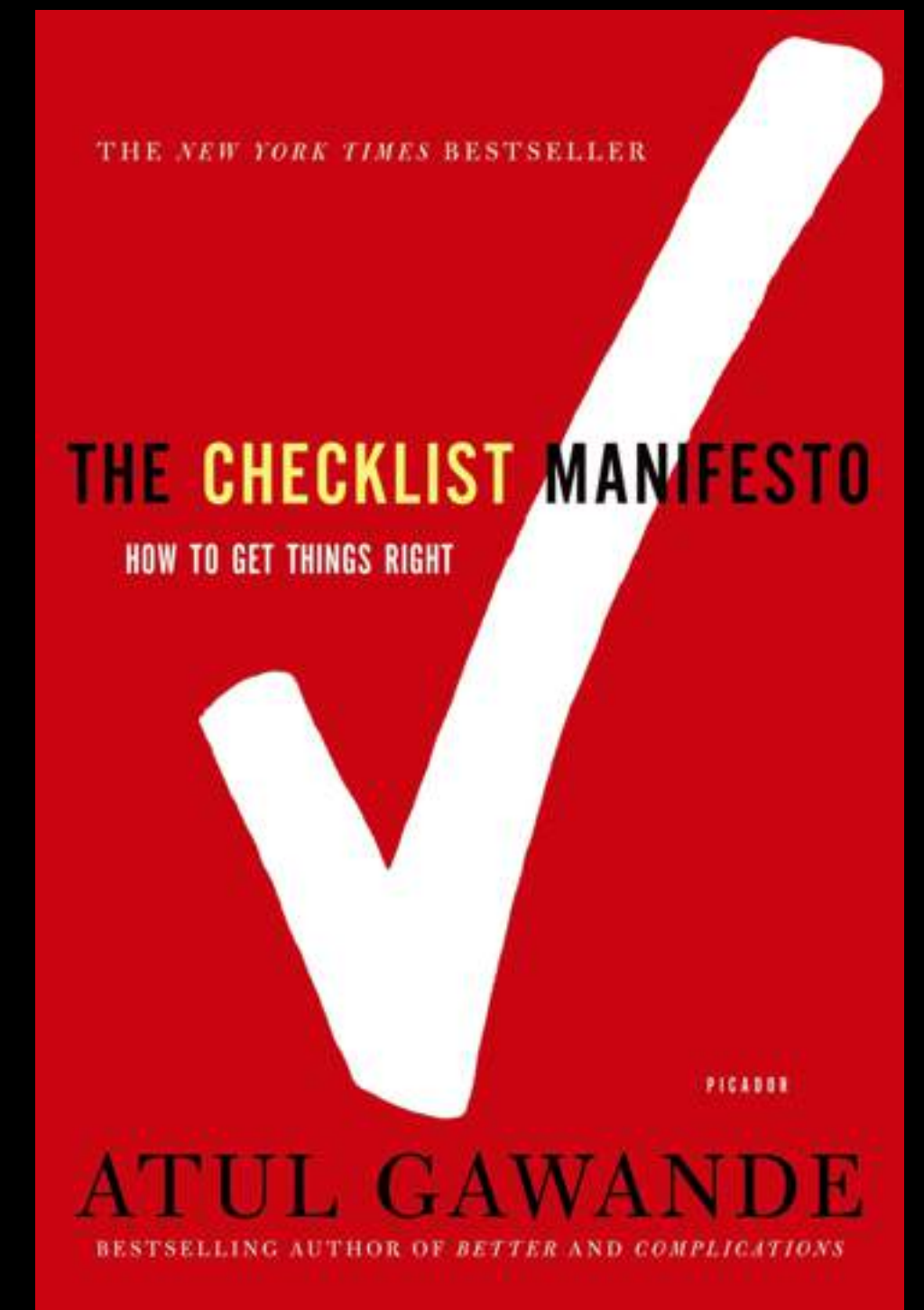


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Atul Guwande



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“The volume and sophistication of what we know has exceeded our ability to deliver its benefits correctly, safely or reliably. We need a different strategy”

“There is a different strategy. It is **THE CHECKLIST”**

Atul Gawande. The Checklist Manifesto; how to get things right
Metropolitan Books , New York, 2009



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Normal Checklists

Chapter NC

SAFETY CHECK	
Battery Switch	ON
Standby Power Switch	AUTO
Hydraulic Demand Pumps	ON
Engine Start Switches	OFF
Windshield Wiper Switches	ON
Alternate Flap Selector	FLAPS
Landing Gear Lever	DOWN
Flaps Position Indicator & Lever	AGREE
Electrical Power	ESTABLISH

BEFORE TAKEOFF	
Inspections and Sec	COMPLETED
Oxygen	100%
Ins	CHECKED
Ins	CHECKED
Brake	SET
Brake	SET
Brake	RTO
Control S	OFF
IS / Sig	Takeoff / Alternate
Flaps	Flaps
Test	Performance Restrictions
SSA	SSA
SID /	Aids / FMS
Emergency	Review
Loadsheet	Loadsheet
.....	CHECKED & SET
.....	LOADED
THRUST	SET
SPEEDS AND MACTOW	SET
LNAV/VNAV	AS REQD

PUSH/START	
Passenger Signs	AS REQD
Hyd Demand Pump No.	AUTO
Hyd Demand Pump No.	ON/AUTO
Autostart Switch	REQD
Beacon	BOTH
Doors	CLOSED
Tr	LOC
Flight	LOC
Start ap	LOC
Packs	LOC

START	
.....	OFF
.....	AS REQD
.....	ON
.....	Visual Clearance
Ground	SEEN
Flaps	SELECT FLAPS
Recall	CHECKED

BEFORE TAKEOFF	
Flight Control	LOC
Transponder	LOC
Final Loadsheet	LOC
Flaps	20
WY/Speeds/EPR/VN	LOC
Trim	LOC
Wx/Turb	ON
.....	SCCM Report
Cabin Report	RECEIVED
.....	Entering Runway
.....	20 GREEN
.....	SET
.....	AS REQD
Cabin Crew	SIGNALLED

AFTER TAKEOFF	
Landing Gear	UP & OFF
Flaps	UP
Air Con & Press	CHECKED
Nacelle Anti-icing	AUTO
Climb Derate	LOC
.....	STD
.....	CHE

DESCENT	
Recall	CHECKED
Briefing:	LOC
Configuration	Weather
.....	Trans
.....	Elev
.....	Approach
Runway / Flaps /	Airfield
Radio	Navig
Alt	Cap
.....	COMPLETED
.....	SET
.....	SET & CROSSCHECKED
.....	() SET

APPROACH	
Altimeters	QNH & CROSSCHECKED
Map Integrity	VERIFIED

LANDING	
Speedbrakes	ARMED
Landing Gear	DOWN
Cabin Report	RECEIVED
Flaps	() GREEN
Missed Approach Altitude	SET



WHO checklist?

A Surgical Safety Checklist to Reduce Morbidity and Mortality in a Global Population

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Table 5. Outcomes before and after Checklist Implementation, According to Site.*												
Site No.	No. of Patients Enrolled		Surgical-Site Infection		Unplanned Return to the Operating Room		Pneumonia		Death		Any Complication	
	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
								<i>percent</i>				
1	524	598	4.0	2.0	4.6	1.8	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.0	11.6	7.0
2	357	351	2.0	1.7	0.6	1.1	3.6	3.7	1.1	0.3	7.8	6.3
3	497	486	5.8	4.3	4.6	2.7	1.6	1.7	0.8	1.4	13.5	9.7
4	520	545	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.2	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.6	7.5	5.5
5	370	330	20.5	3.6	1.4	1.8	0.3	0.0	1.4	0.0	21.4	5.5
6	496	476	4.0	4.0	3.0	3.2	2.0	1.9	3.6	1.7	10.1	9.7
7	525	585	9.5	5.8	1.3	0.2	1.0	1.7	2.1	1.7	12.4	8.0
8	444	584	4.1	2.4	0.5	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.3	6.1	3.6
Total	3733	3955	6.2	3.4	2.4	1.8	1.1	1.3	1.5	0.8	11.0	7.0
P value			<0.001		0.047		0.46		0.003		<0.001	

Before Induction SIGN IN	Before Skin Incision TIME OUT	Before Patient Leaves Room SIGN OUT
PATIENT HAS CONFIRMED <input type="checkbox"/> IDENTITY <input type="checkbox"/> SITE <input type="checkbox"/> PROCEDURE <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT DOES PATIENT HAVE A KNOWN ALLERGY? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> DRUGS <input type="checkbox"/> LATEX <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> H&P CURRENT (< 30d) <input type="checkbox"/> WEIGHT RE-CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> ANESTHESIA SAFETY CHECK COMPLETED (Machine and Meds) <input type="checkbox"/> PULSE OXIMETER ON PATIENT AND FUNCTIONING DIFFICULT AIRWAY/ASPIRATION RISK? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> If YES, EQUIPMENT/ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE <input type="checkbox"/> INTRAVENOUS ACCESS AND FLUIDS PLANNED <input type="checkbox"/> WARMER (blankets and fluids) IN PLACE <input type="checkbox"/> BLOOD BANK NOTIFIED AND BLOOD PRODUCTS AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED <input type="checkbox"/> SIGN (NURSING): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> SIGN (ANESTH): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> CONFIRM ALL TEAM MEMBERS HAVE INTRODUCED THEMSELVES BY NAME <input type="checkbox"/> SURGEON, ANESTHESIA, PERFUSIONIST AND NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRM <input type="checkbox"/> PATIENT <input type="checkbox"/> SITE <input type="checkbox"/> PROCEDURE <input type="checkbox"/> IMAGING AVAILABLE AND REVIEWED <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSESOPHAGEAL ECHO (TEE) OR OTHER ECHO <input type="checkbox"/> ANTIFIBRINOLYTICS <input type="checkbox"/> ANTIBIOTICS ADMINISTERED (within last 60 min) PERFUSION STRATEGY: <input type="checkbox"/> CANNULATION SITES <input type="checkbox"/> CANNULAE SIZES <input type="checkbox"/> BYPASS PRIME (blood vs prime) <input type="checkbox"/> TARGETED CORE TEMP <input type="checkbox"/> USE OR NON-USE OF DHCA, SELECTIVE CEREBRAL PERFUSION <input type="checkbox"/> ICE ON THE HEAD <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER BYPASS CONSIDERATIONS (shunts, collaterals, AR, LV venting, CARDIOPLEGIA, etc) ANESTHESIA TEAM REVIEWS: <input type="checkbox"/> ANY FURTHER PATIENT-SPECIFIC CONCERNS? NURSING TEAM REVIEWS: <input type="checkbox"/> EQUIPMENT STERILITY CONFIRMED? <input type="checkbox"/> ARE THERE EQUIPMENT/PROSTHESES ISSUES OR ANY CONCERNS? <input type="checkbox"/> SIGN (SURG): _____	NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRMS WITH THE TEAM: <input type="checkbox"/> NAME OF THE PROCEDURE <input type="checkbox"/> THAT INSTRUMENT, SPONGE AND NEEDLE COUNTS ARE CORRECT <input type="checkbox"/> HOW THE SPECIMEN IS LABELLED <input type="checkbox"/> INCLUDING PATIENT NAME <input type="checkbox"/> SENT FOR APPROPRIATE TESTS <input type="checkbox"/> WHETHER THERE ARE ANY EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS TO BE ADDRESSED SURGEON, ANESTHESIA PROFESSIONAL AND NURSE <input type="checkbox"/> REVIEW THE KEY CONCERNS FOR POST-OP RECOVERY AND MANAGEMENT OF THIS PATIENT <input type="checkbox"/> BLOOD PRODUCTS USED <input type="checkbox"/> BLOOD PRODUCTS STILL AVAILABLE <input type="checkbox"/> BREAKS IN TECHNIQUE <input type="checkbox"/> SIGN (NURSING): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> SIGN (SURG): _____

checklists in cardiac surgery



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standardise
until you absolutely have to
improvise

Dr Kevin Fong



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Prof Rhona Flin



Mr Peter McCulloch

If CRM, checklist, assessment and training are so effective, why are they not everywhere in the NHS?



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inconsistent leadership
complexity of organisation
voluntary not compulsory
local preference and investment
hard to sustain



Guy Hirst



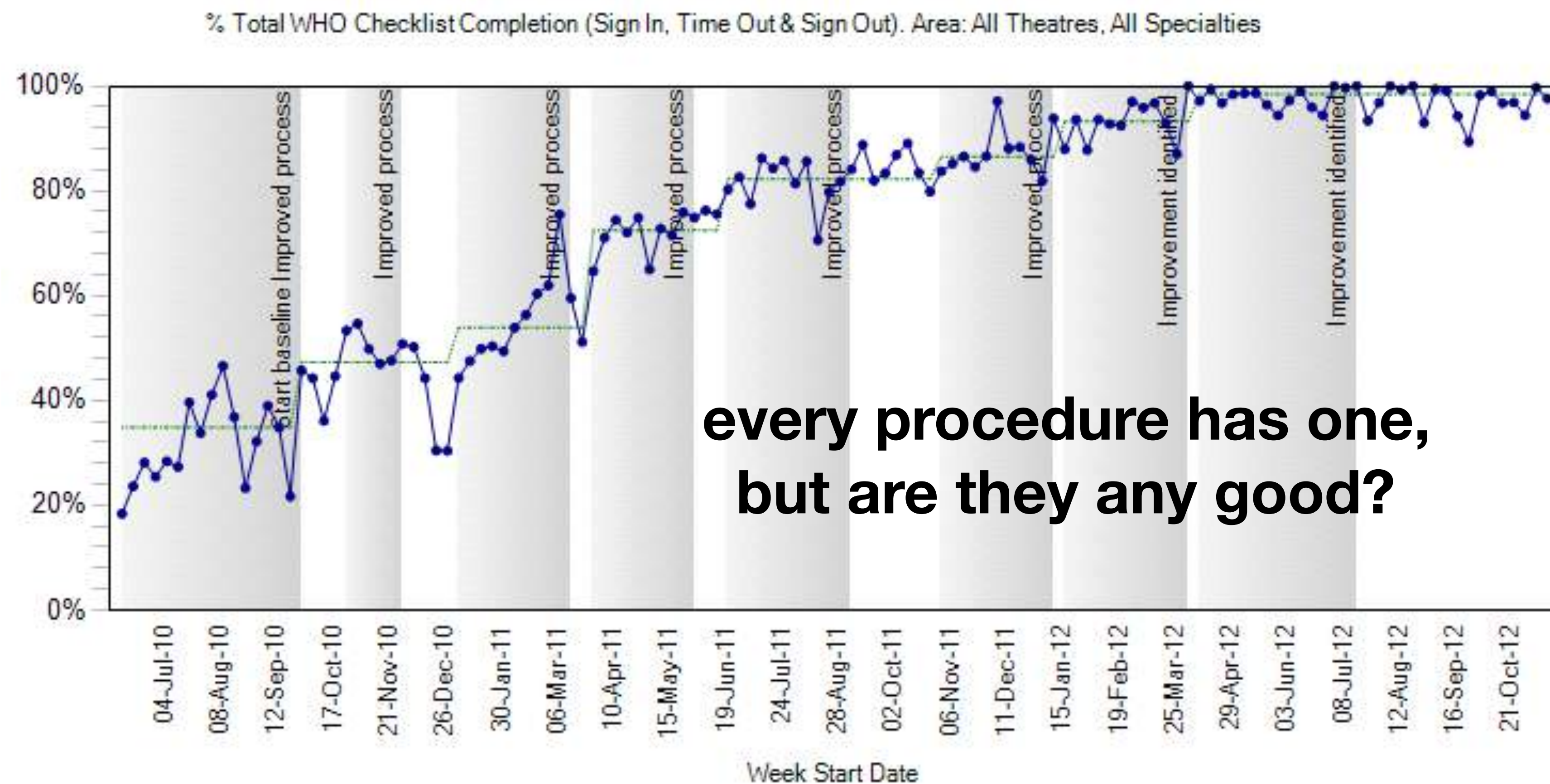
“We had some great successes when proper initiatives were put in place and the outcomes were most impressive. That however was usually the exception rather than the rule.

I was incredulous at the way the surgical checklist was introduced. Like many initiatives in healthcare, it was poorly thought out.”

No nuance, no explanation and poor training. No wonder it has become a crude auditing tool.



every procedure should have a checklist



the black box



the simulator



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LOSA Observation Form

MX LOSA Observation Forms: Install (B4)

Observation Number: _____

☐ Did not observe this section

		Safety Risk N/A, Safe (S), At Risk (AR), Didn't Observe (UNO)	Threat Code (See Threat Codes List)	Threat Effectively Managed Y/N	Error Outcome 1. Inconsequential 2. Undesired state 3. Additional error 4. Do not know	Threat Remarks	General Remarks
Safety							
1	Notes, cautions, and warnings reviewed						
2	Notes, cautions, and warnings followed						
Personnel							
3	Required personnel available						
Procedures							
4	Current documentation (e.g., task cards, AMM, service bulletins) available and reviewed						
5	Effectivity/configuration verified						
6	Materials utilized						
7	Servicing procedures followed						
8	Installation procedures followed						
Communication & Coordination							
9	Communication among technicians accomplished						
10	Communication to other departments accomplished						
Threat Management							
11	Strategies developed for identified threats						
12	Generated non-routines for work-not-specified in the tech publications						
Turnover or Completion							
13	Task/shift turnover completed						
14	Individual work step signoff completed						
15	QC inspection signoff completed						
16	Access panels installed						
Describe the threat(s). How did the crew manage or mismanage the threat(s)?							
Describe any associated undesired aircraft states.							
Comments - Good or bad. (Please provide examples.)							



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no compulsory training,
no regular technical assessment,
no regular observation of my performance

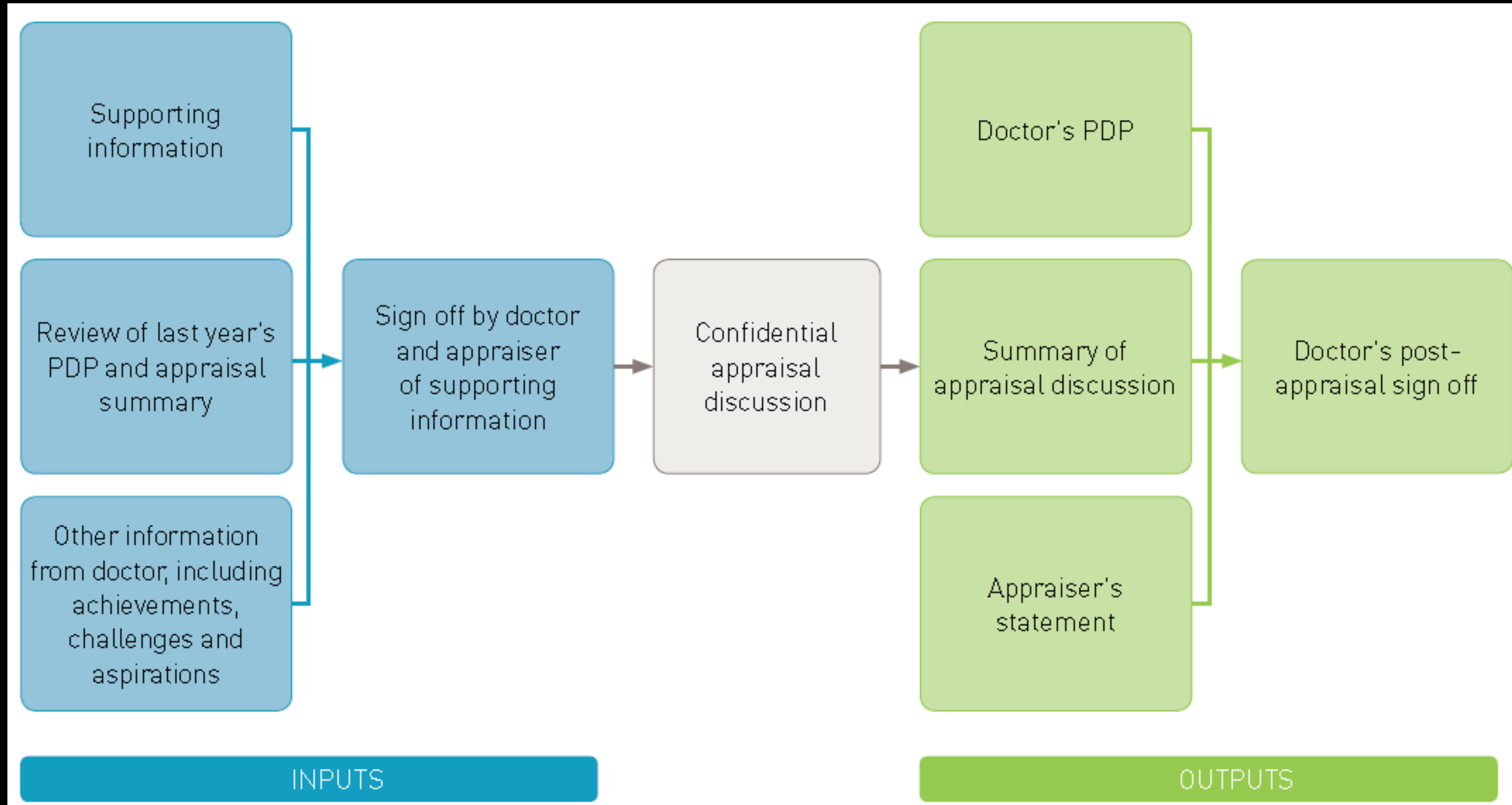


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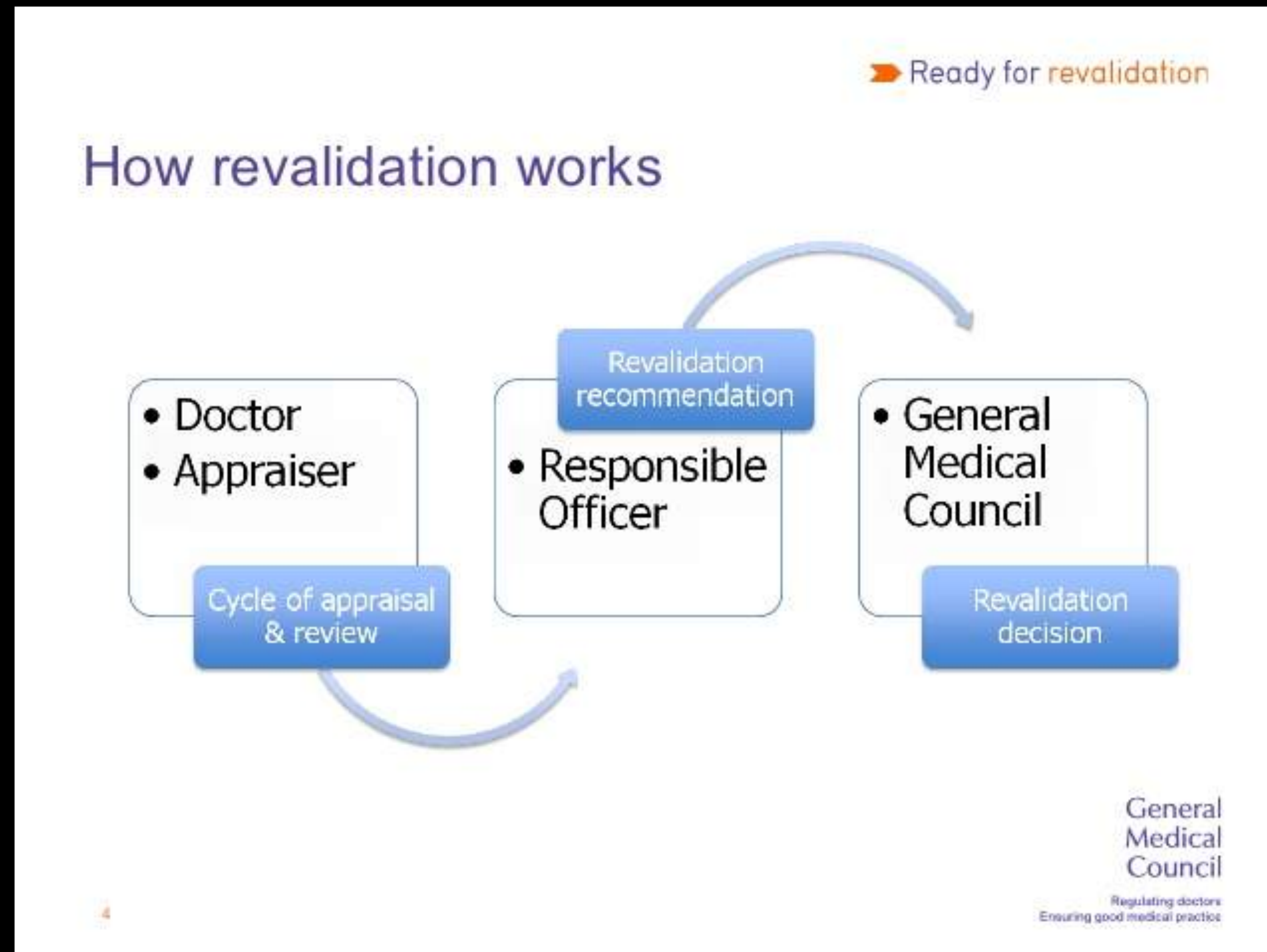


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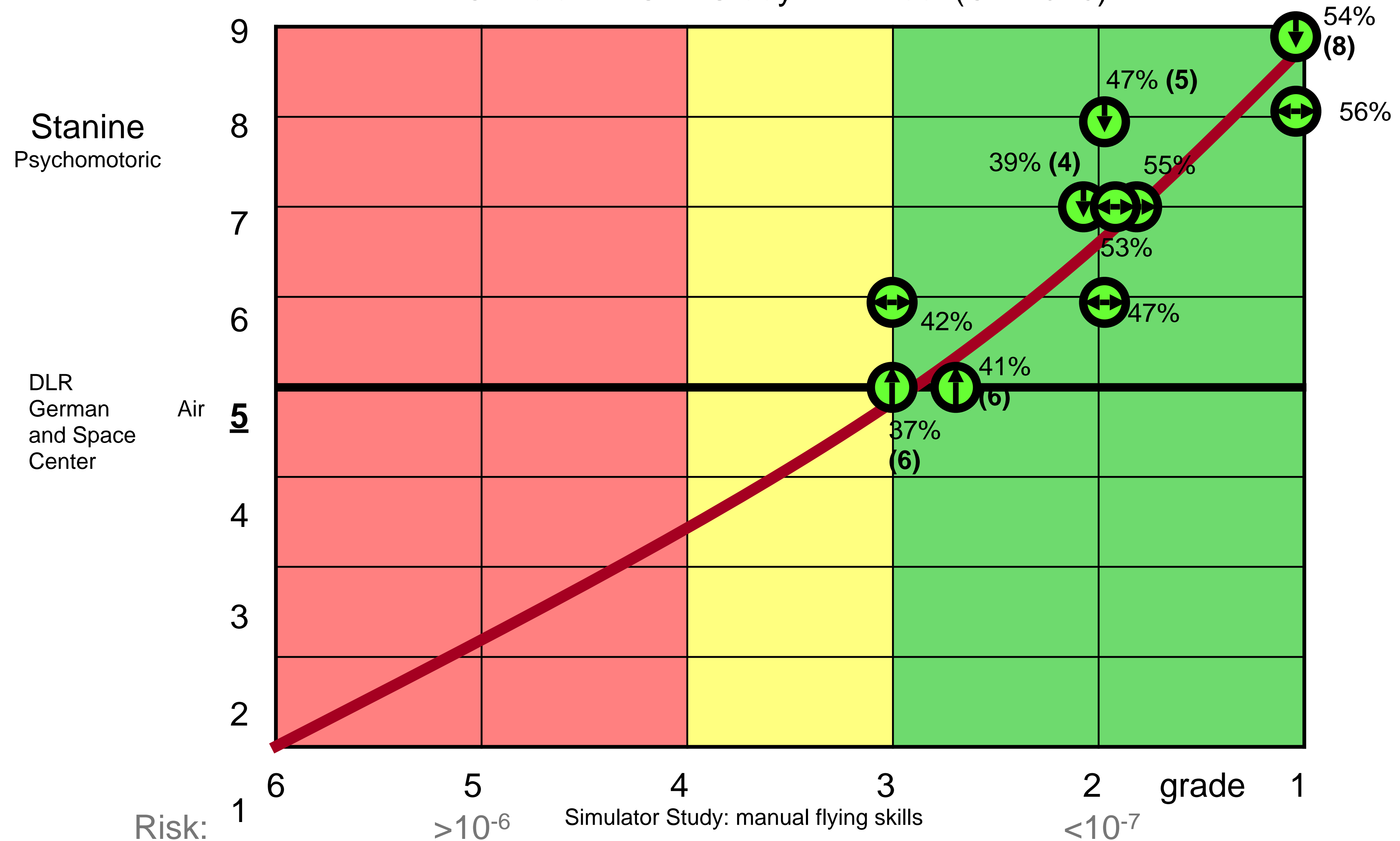
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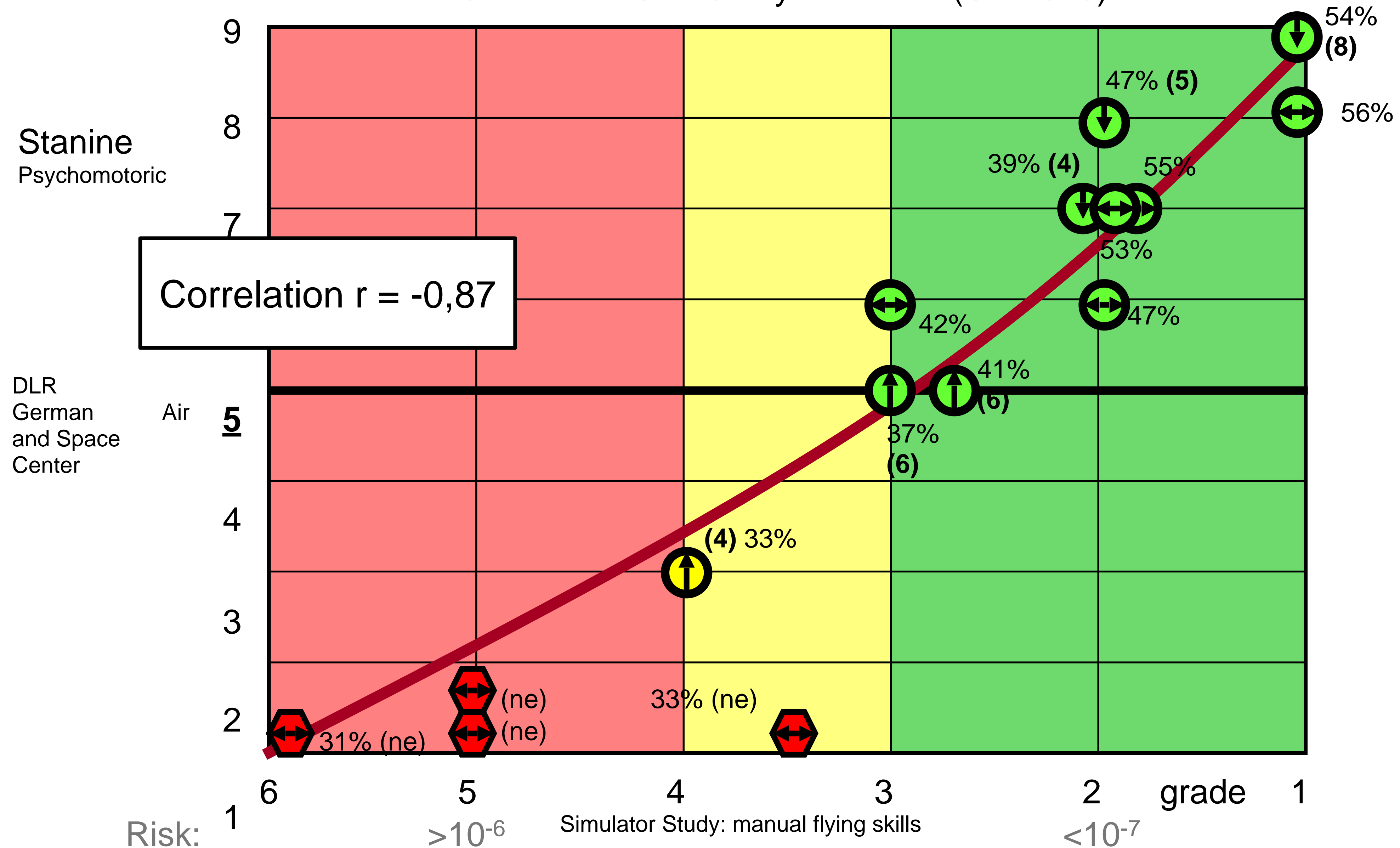
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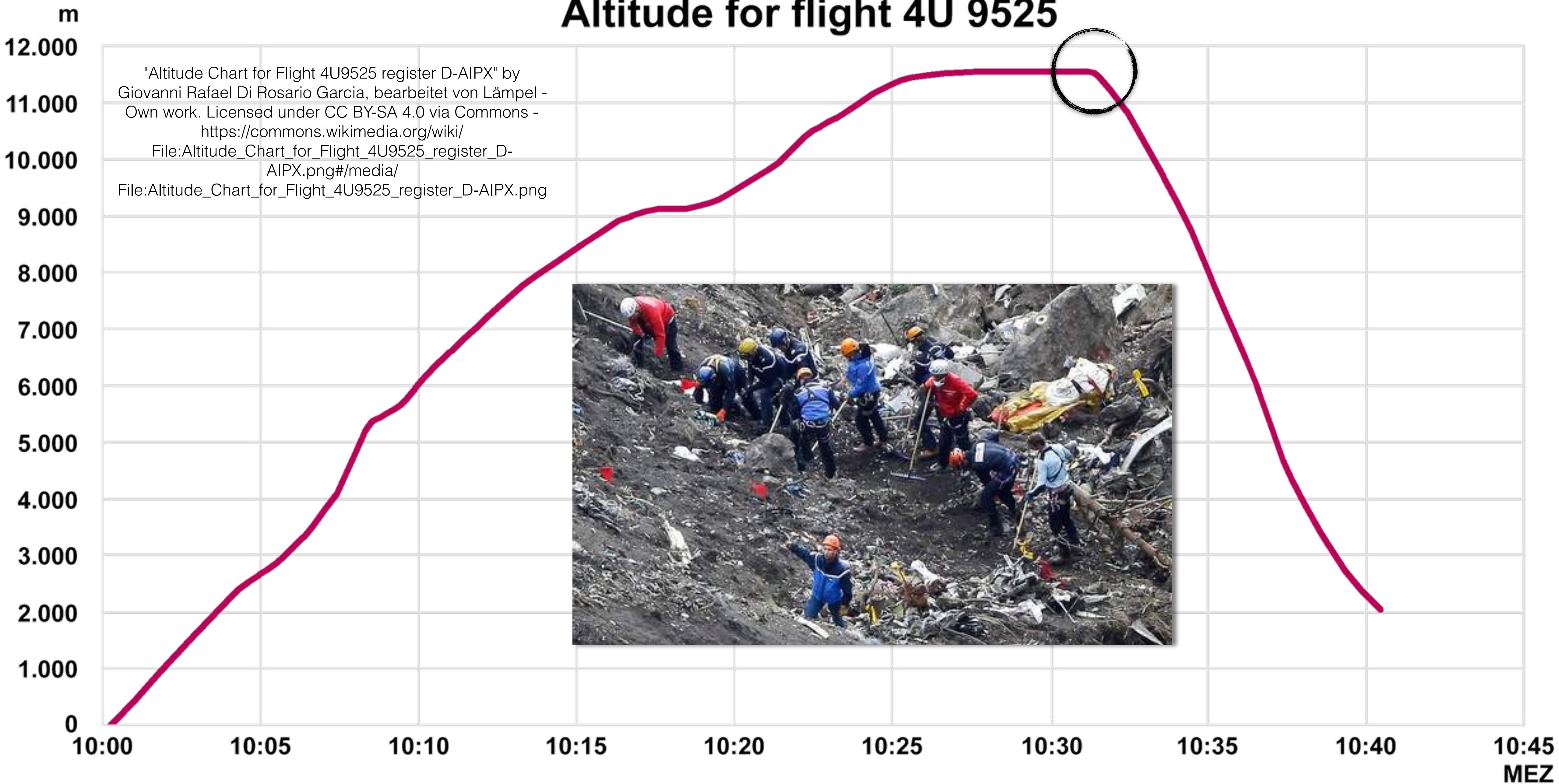
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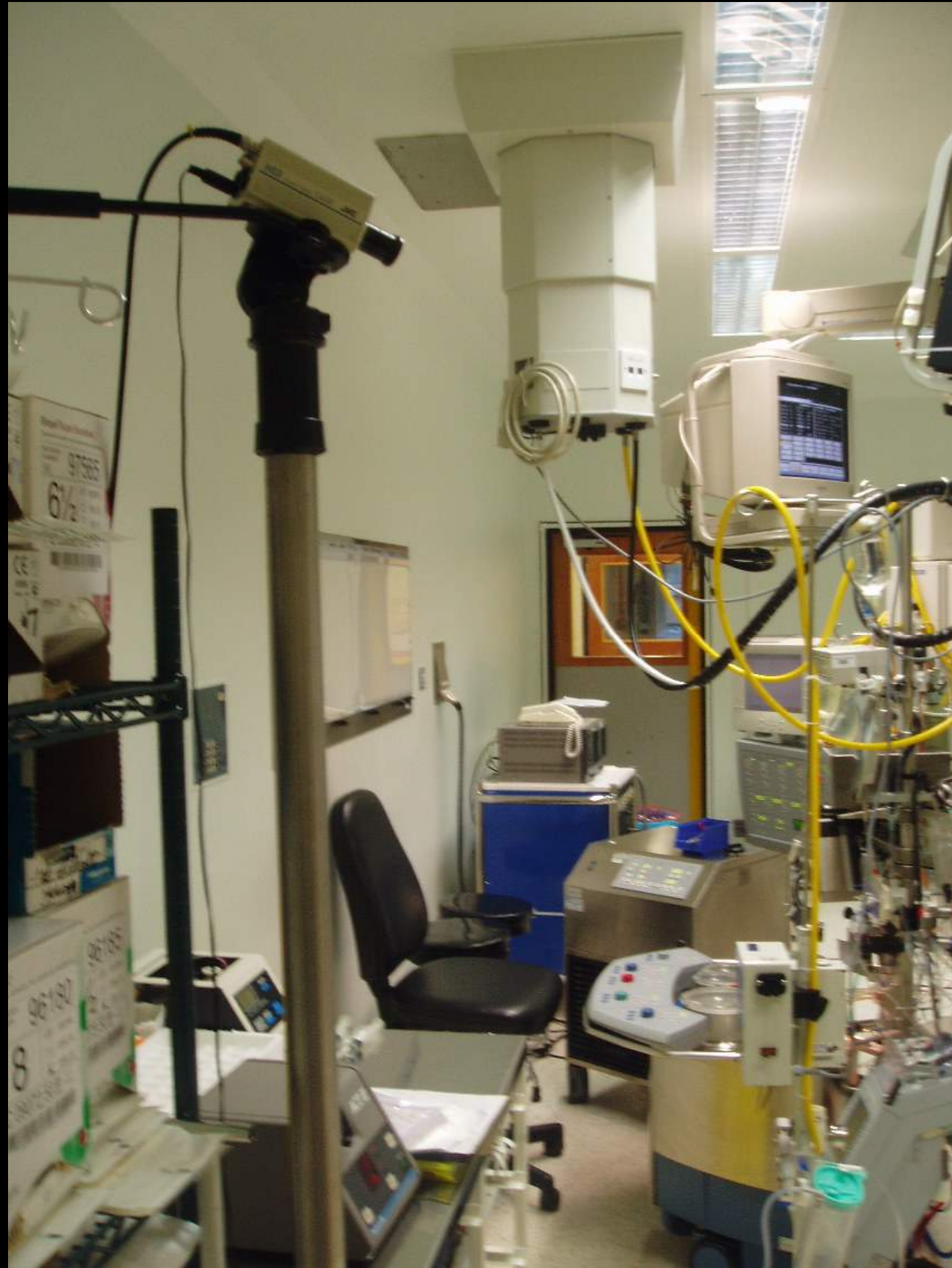


Correlation SIM-Study DLR-Test (CP A346)



Altitude for flight 4U 9525





ken catchpole
ari darzi, peter mcculloch



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**records everything,
(including
conversations)
but only for endoscopic
surgery**

Dr. Teodor Grantcharov and his team
during a minimally invasive surgery being
recorded by the “black box.”

Dr Teodor Grantcharov

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The Law of False Equivalence

just because it worked in aviation doesn't mean it will work elsewhere



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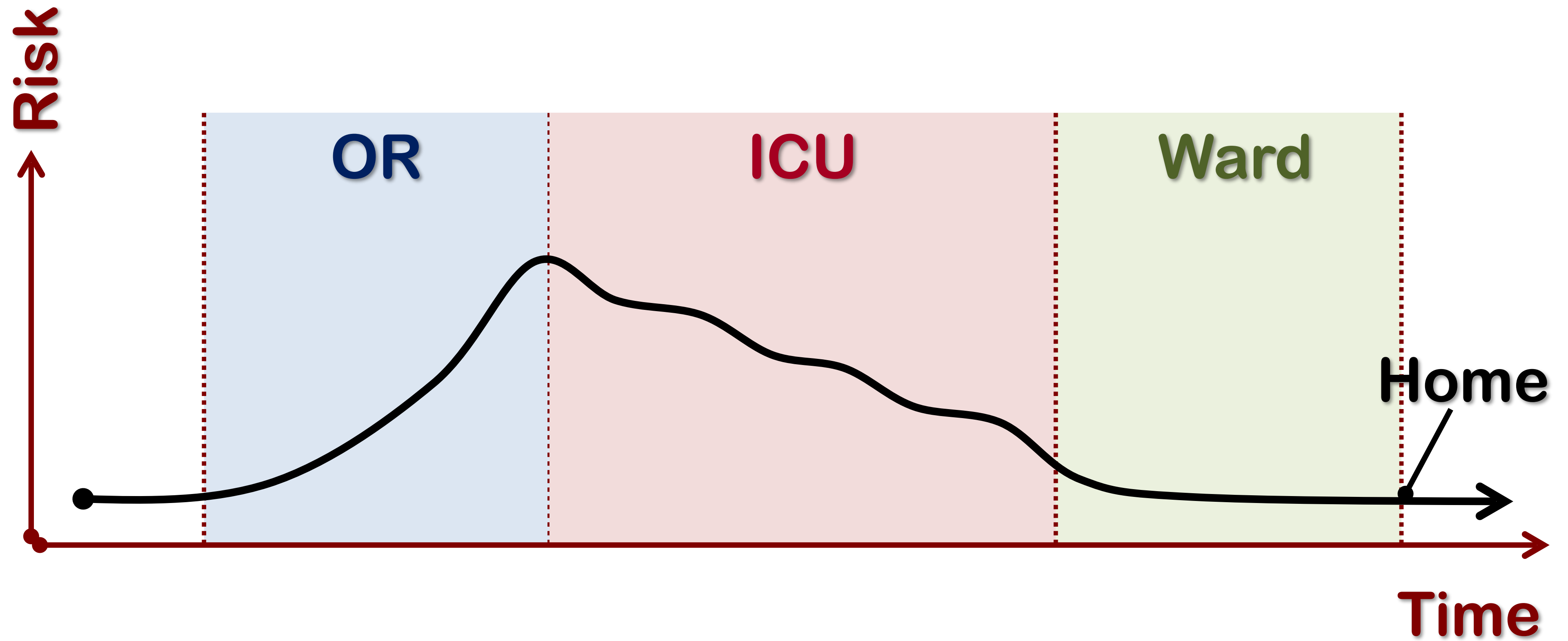
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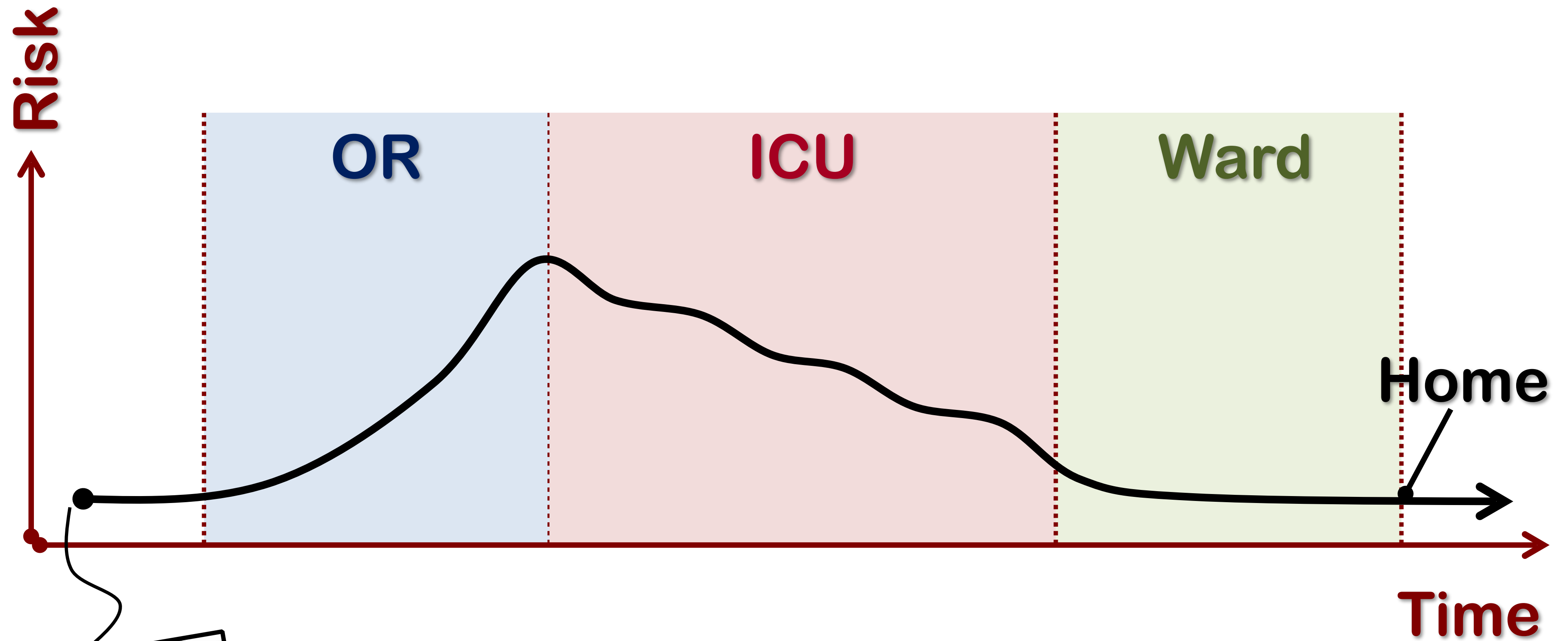
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Flightplan



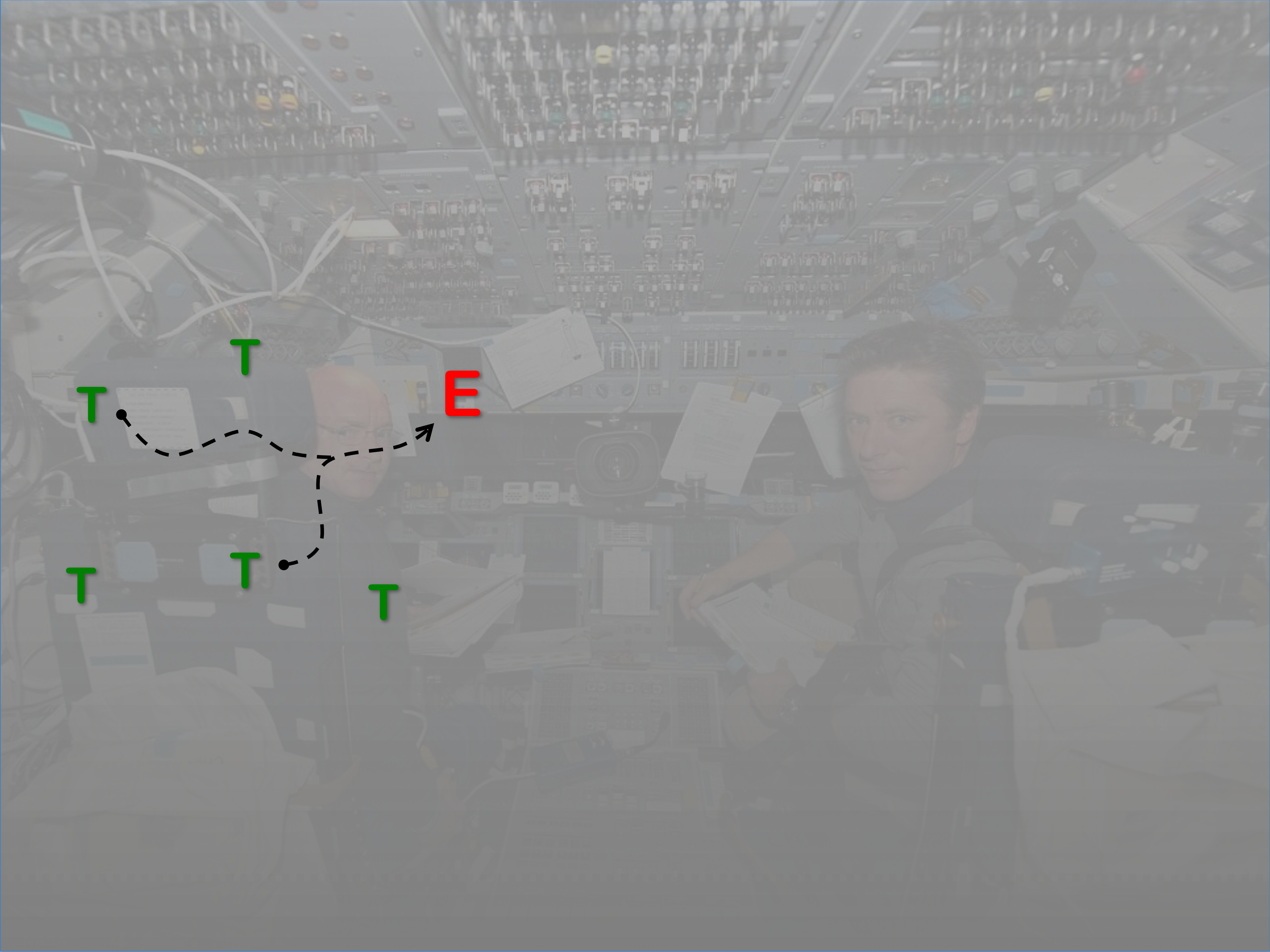
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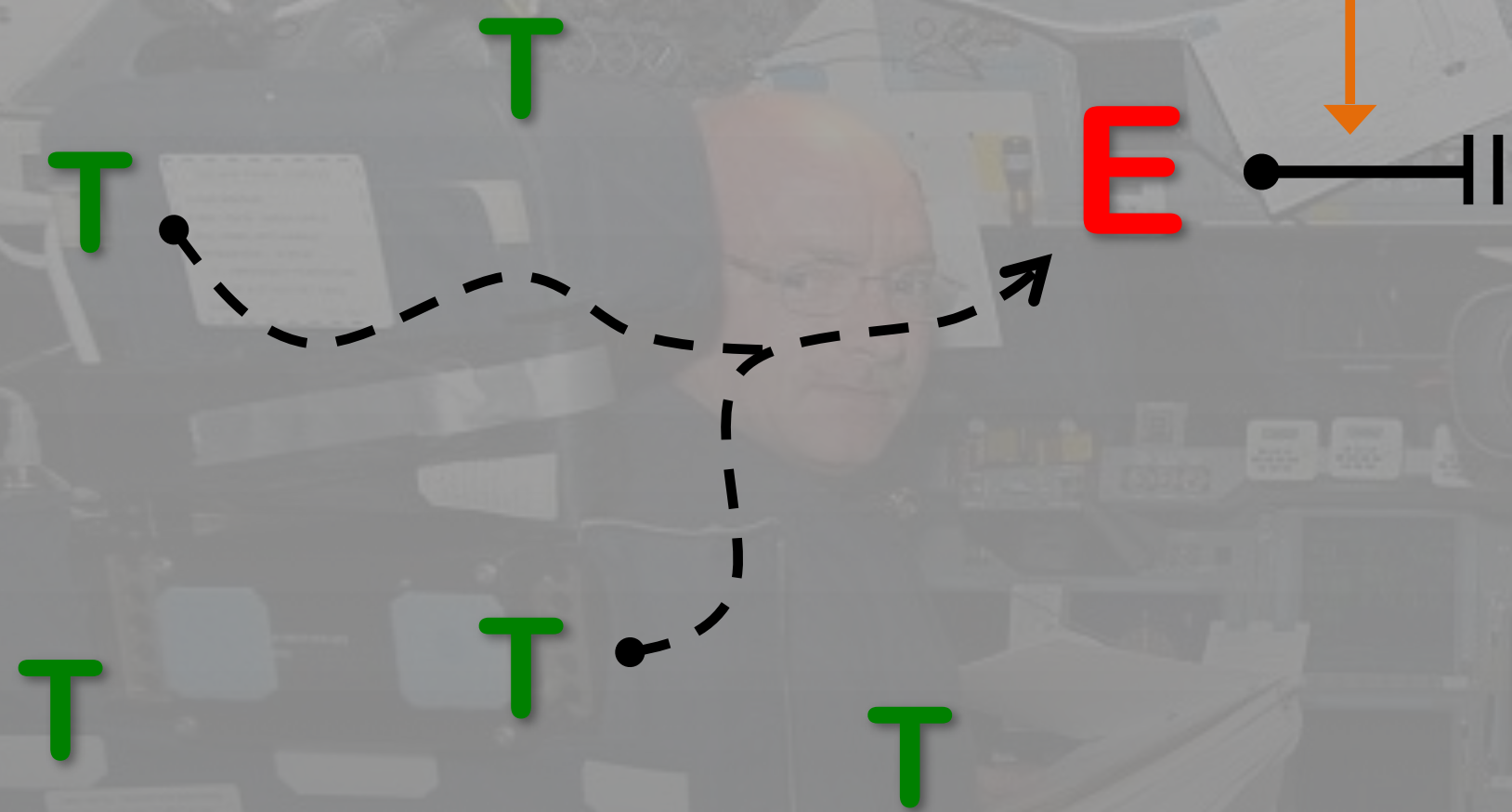
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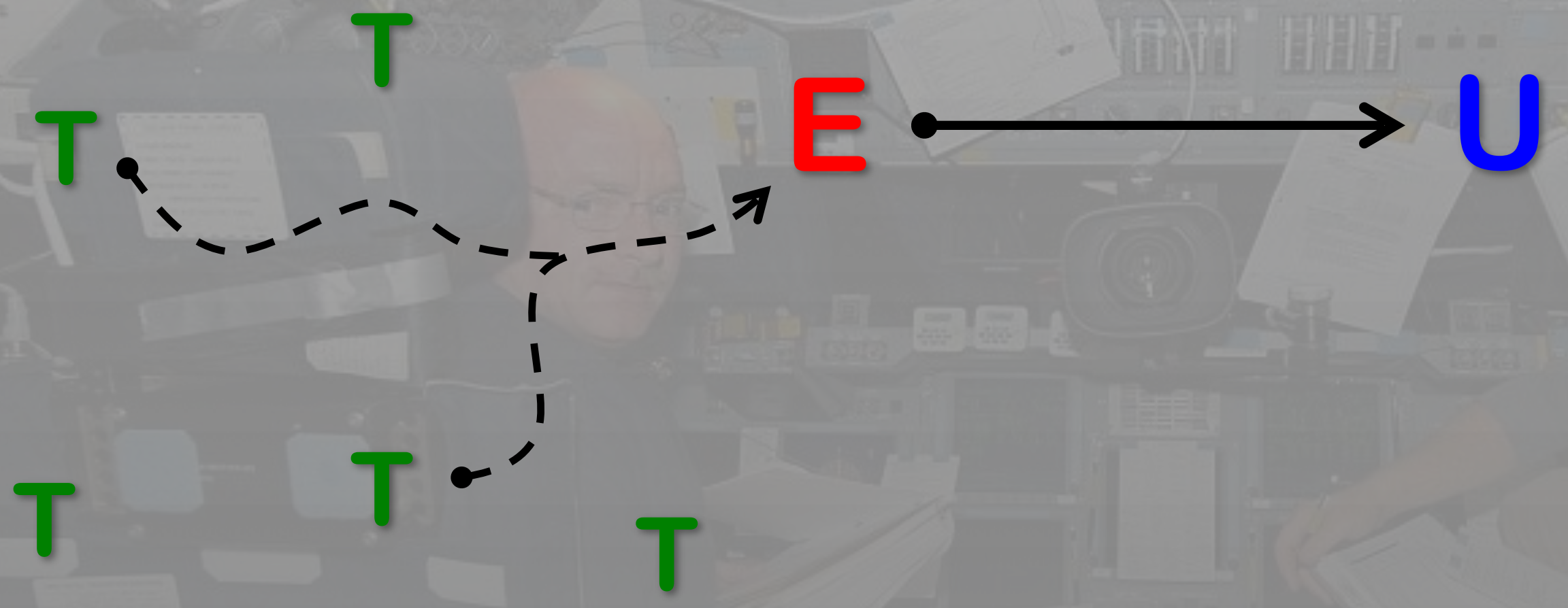
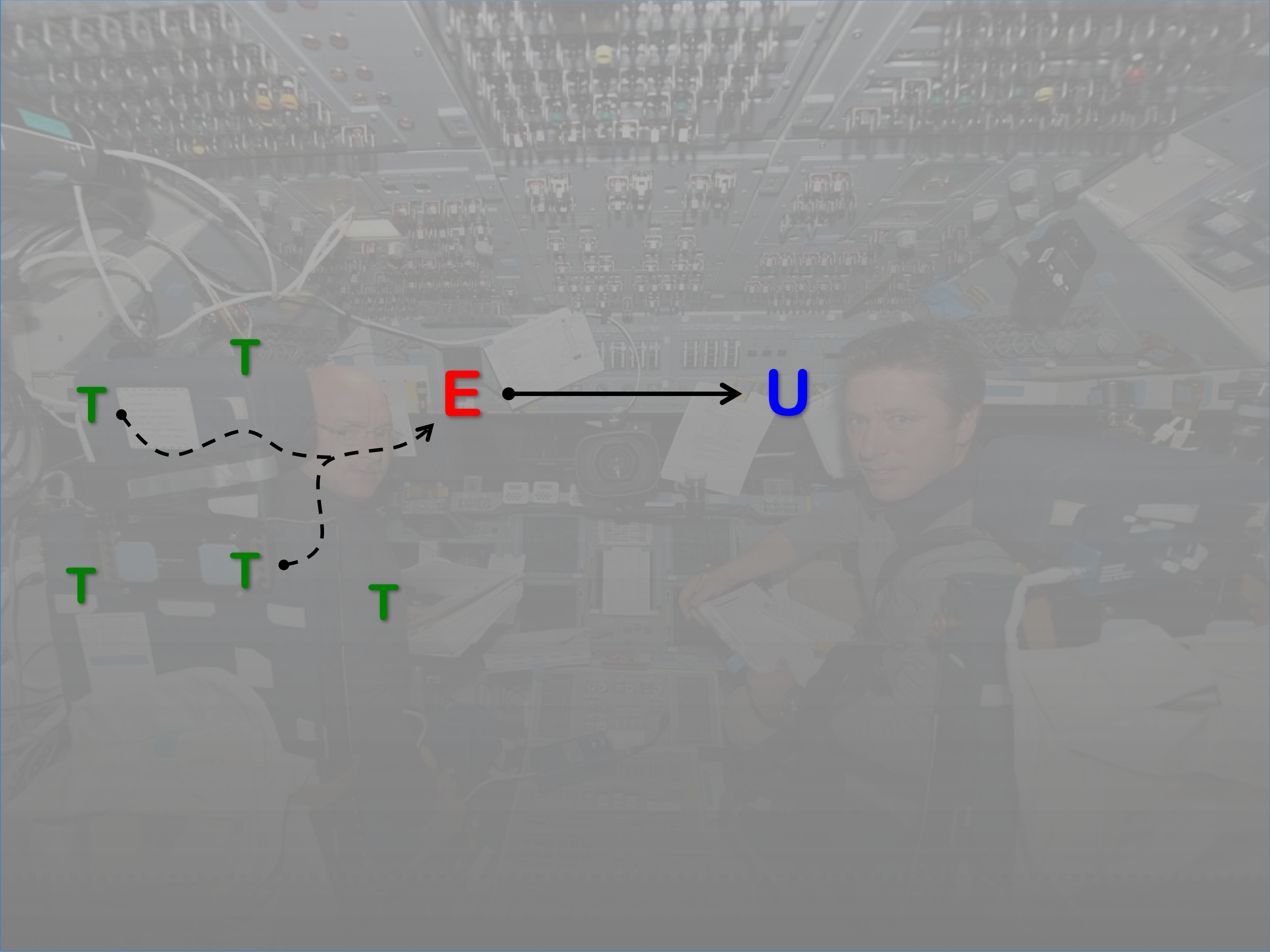






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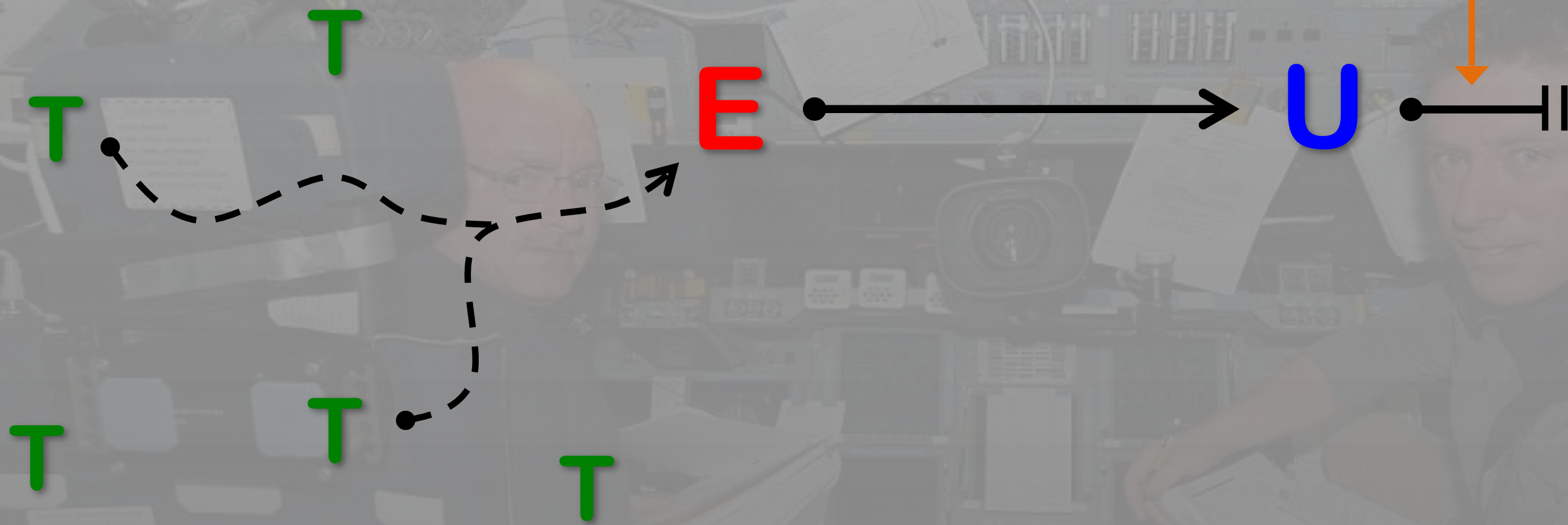


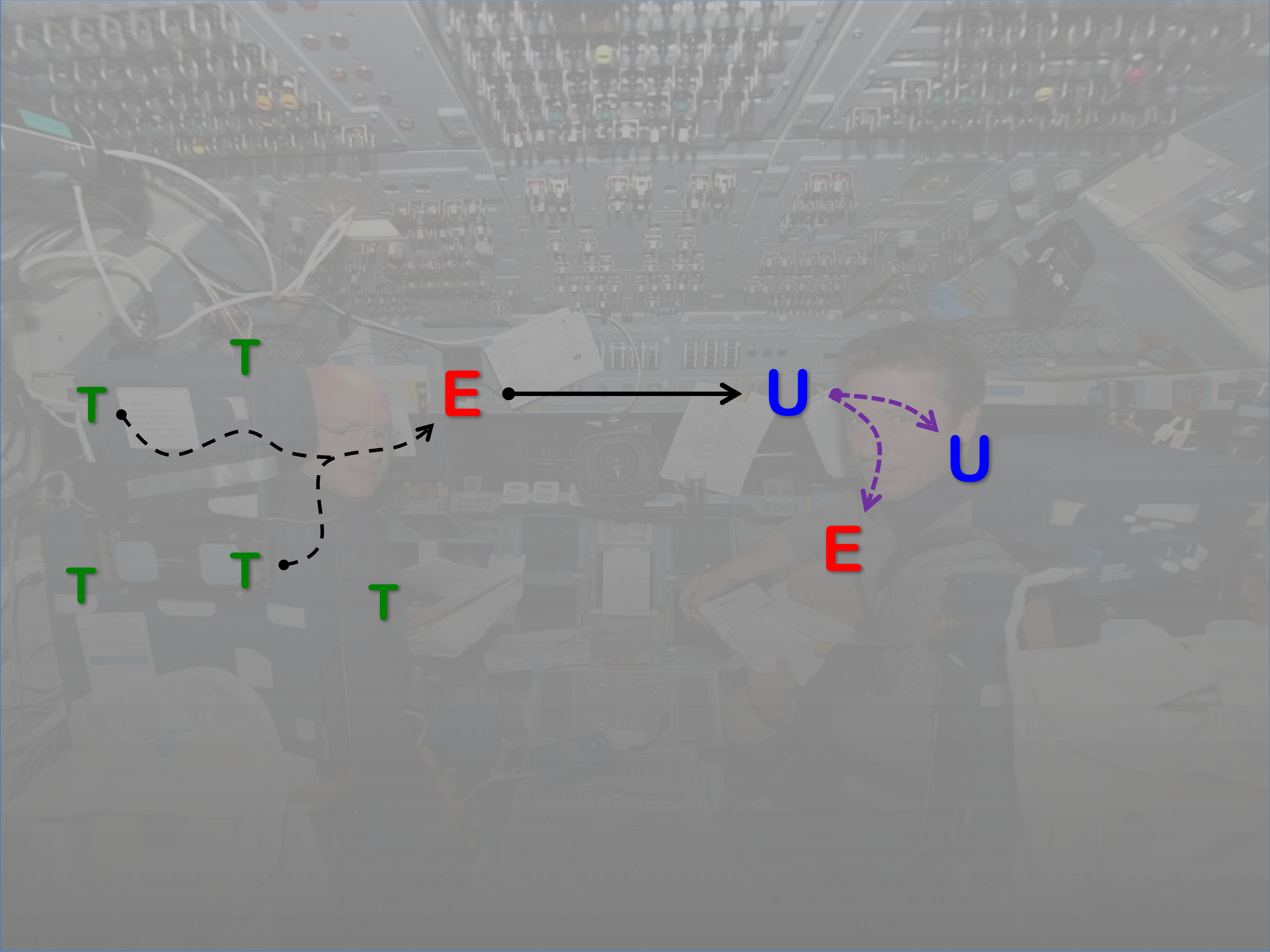


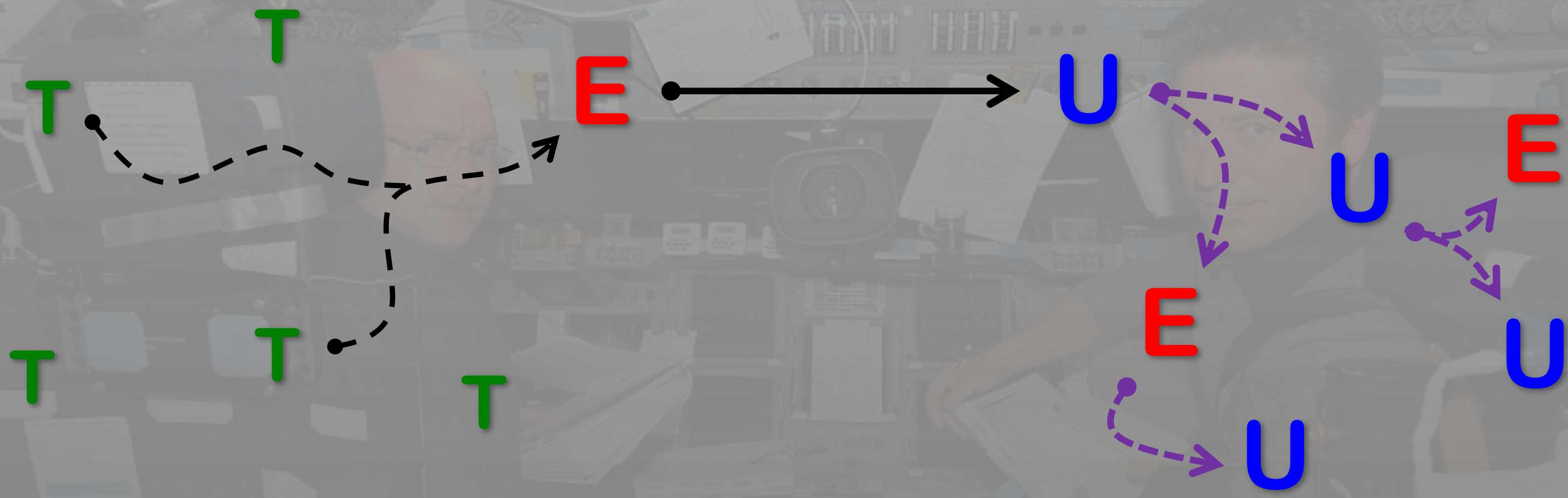
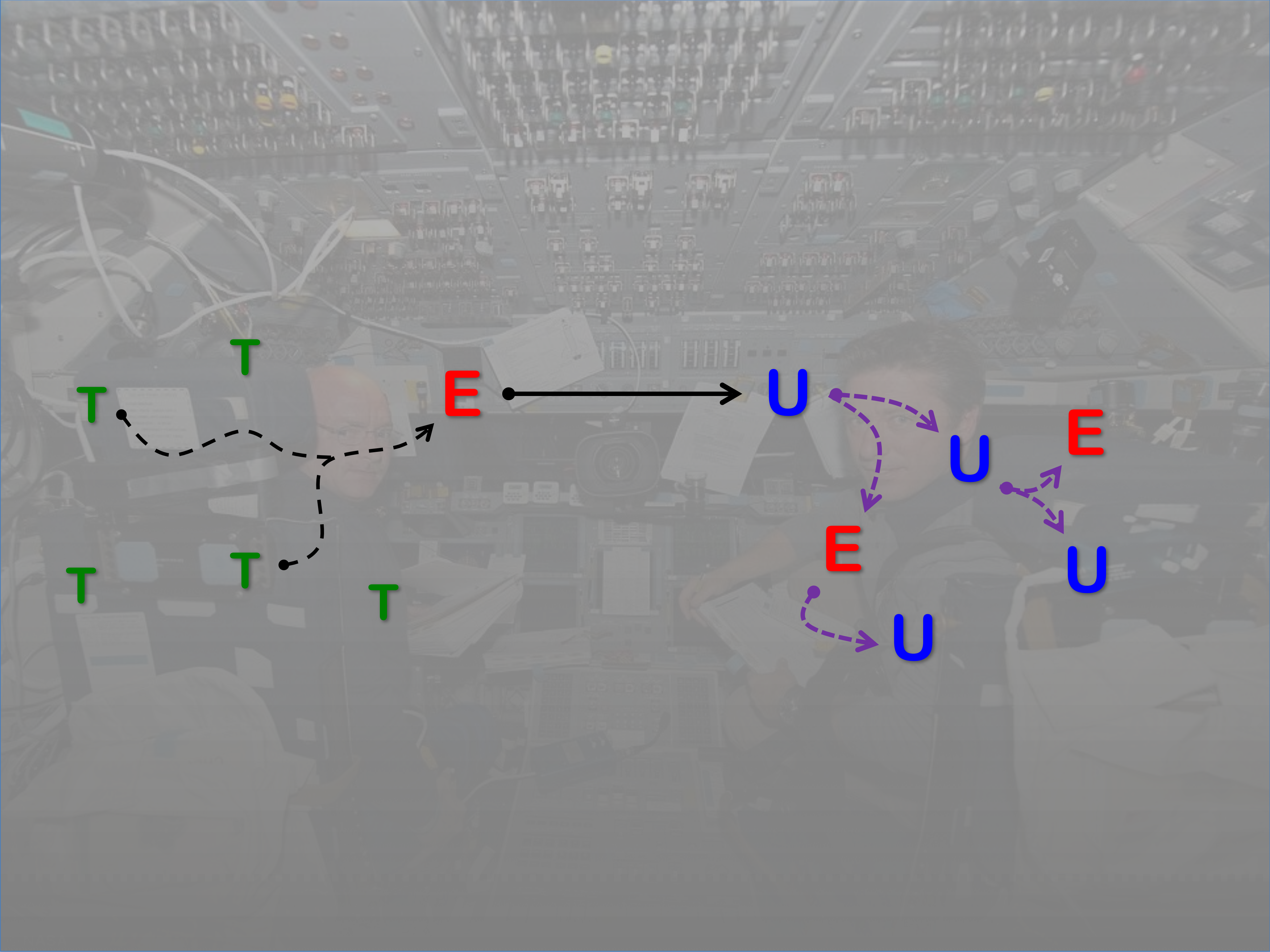


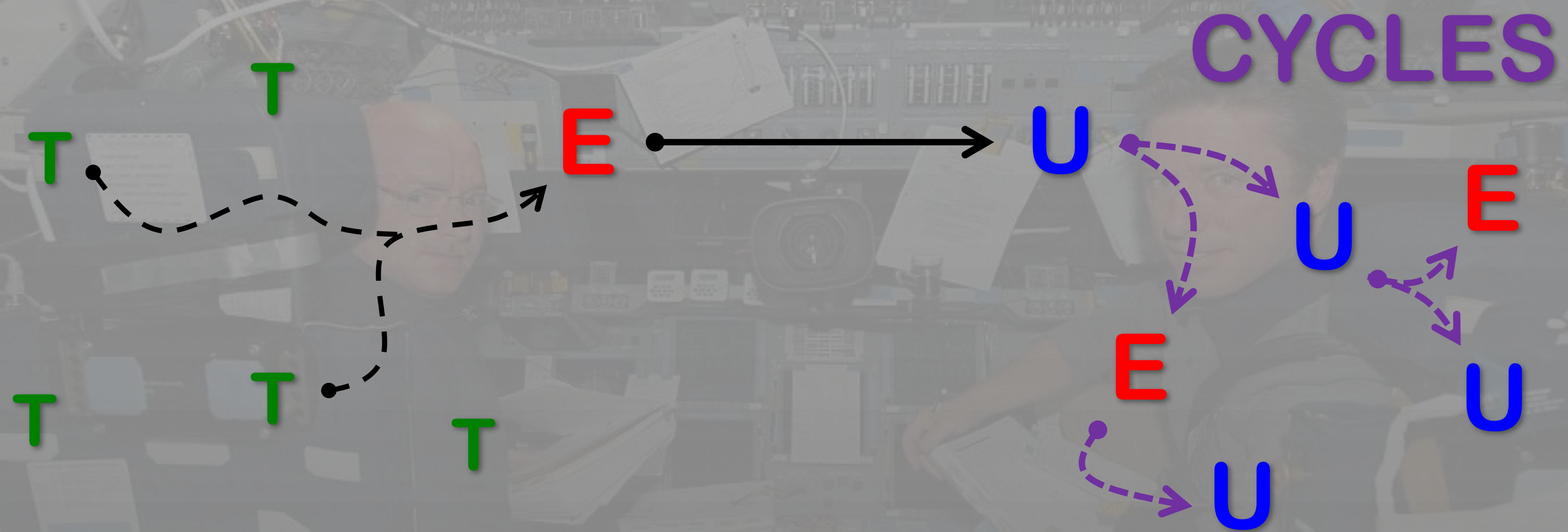
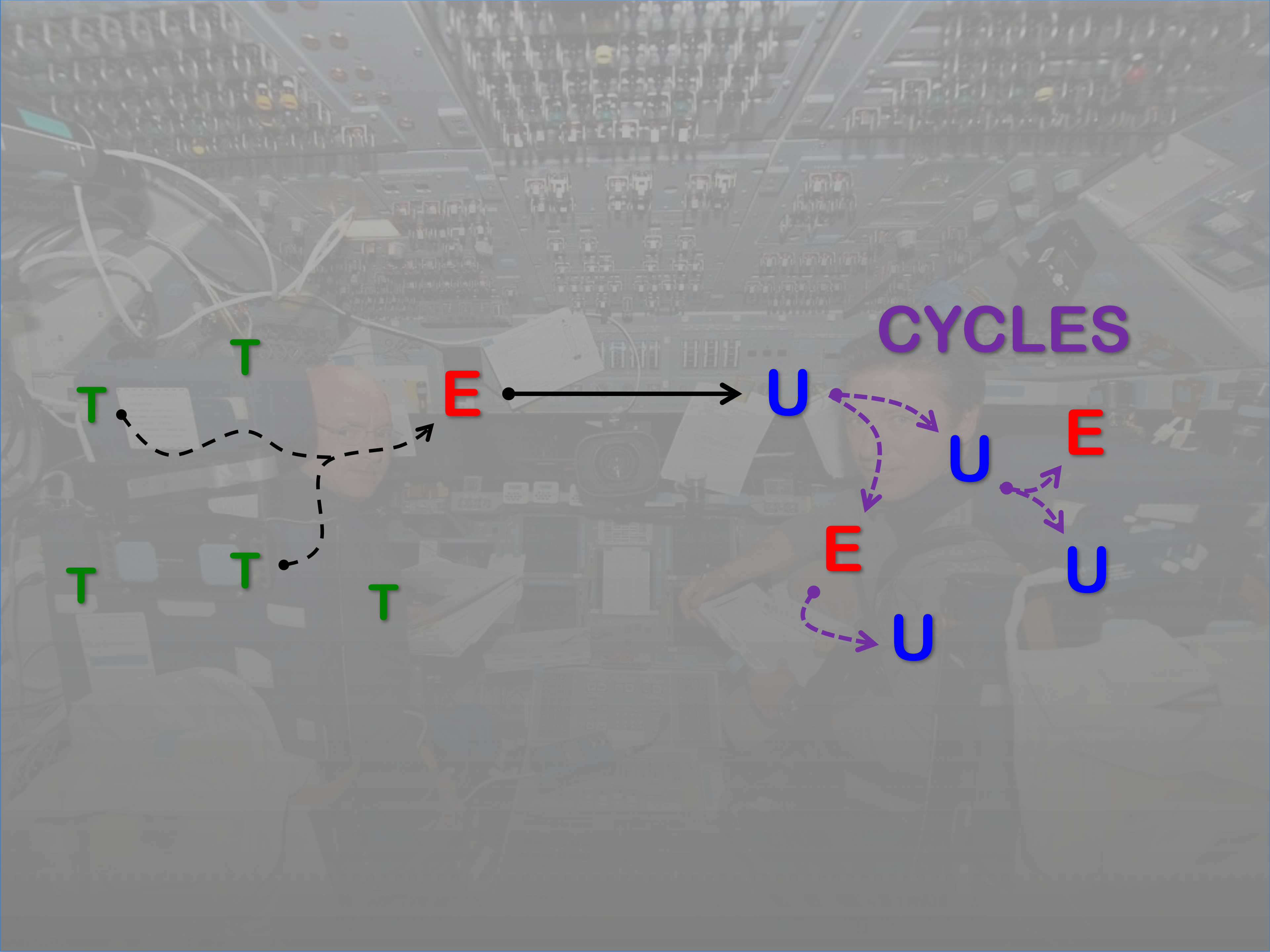
Unintended state
Deviation from original plan

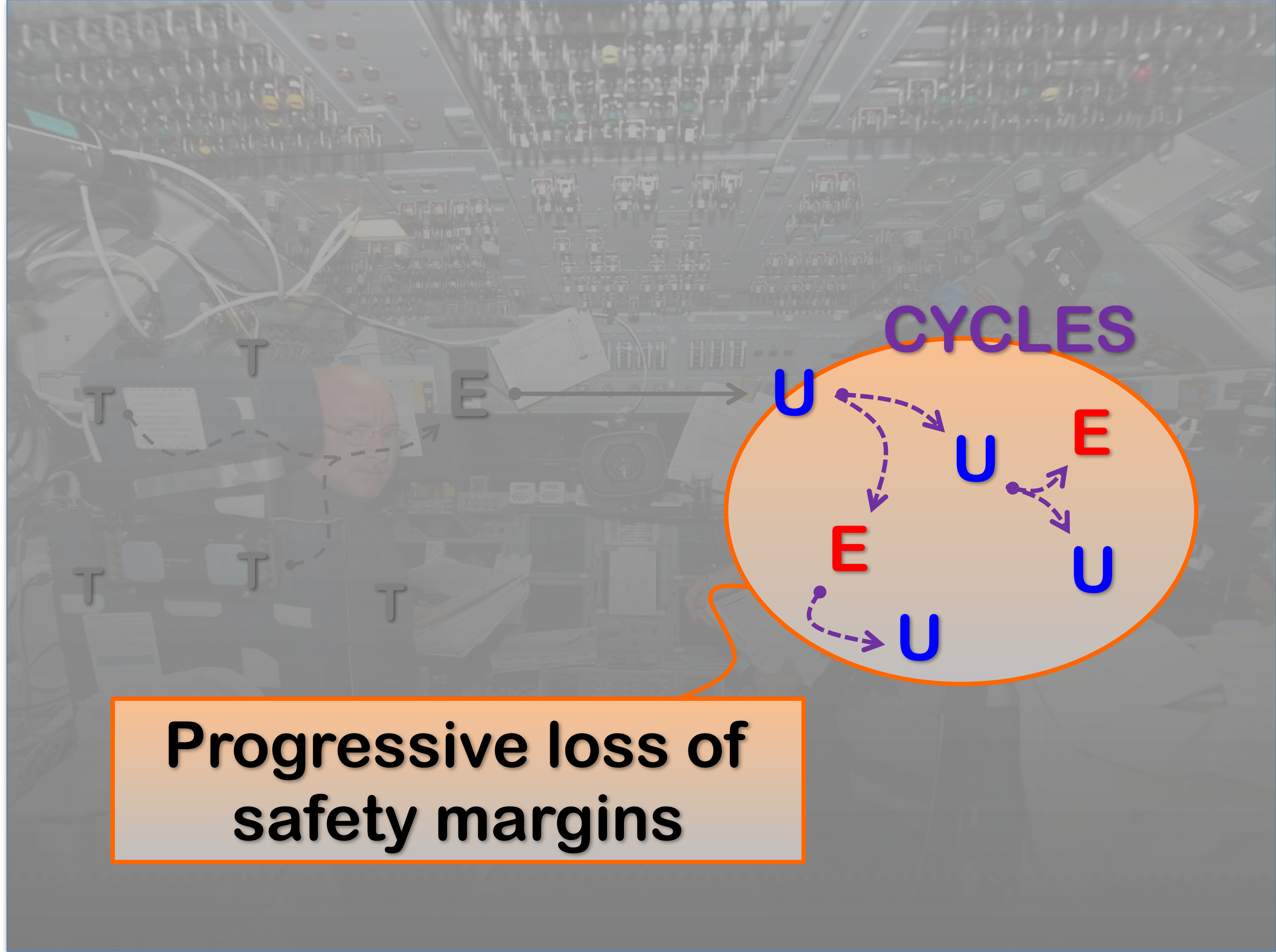
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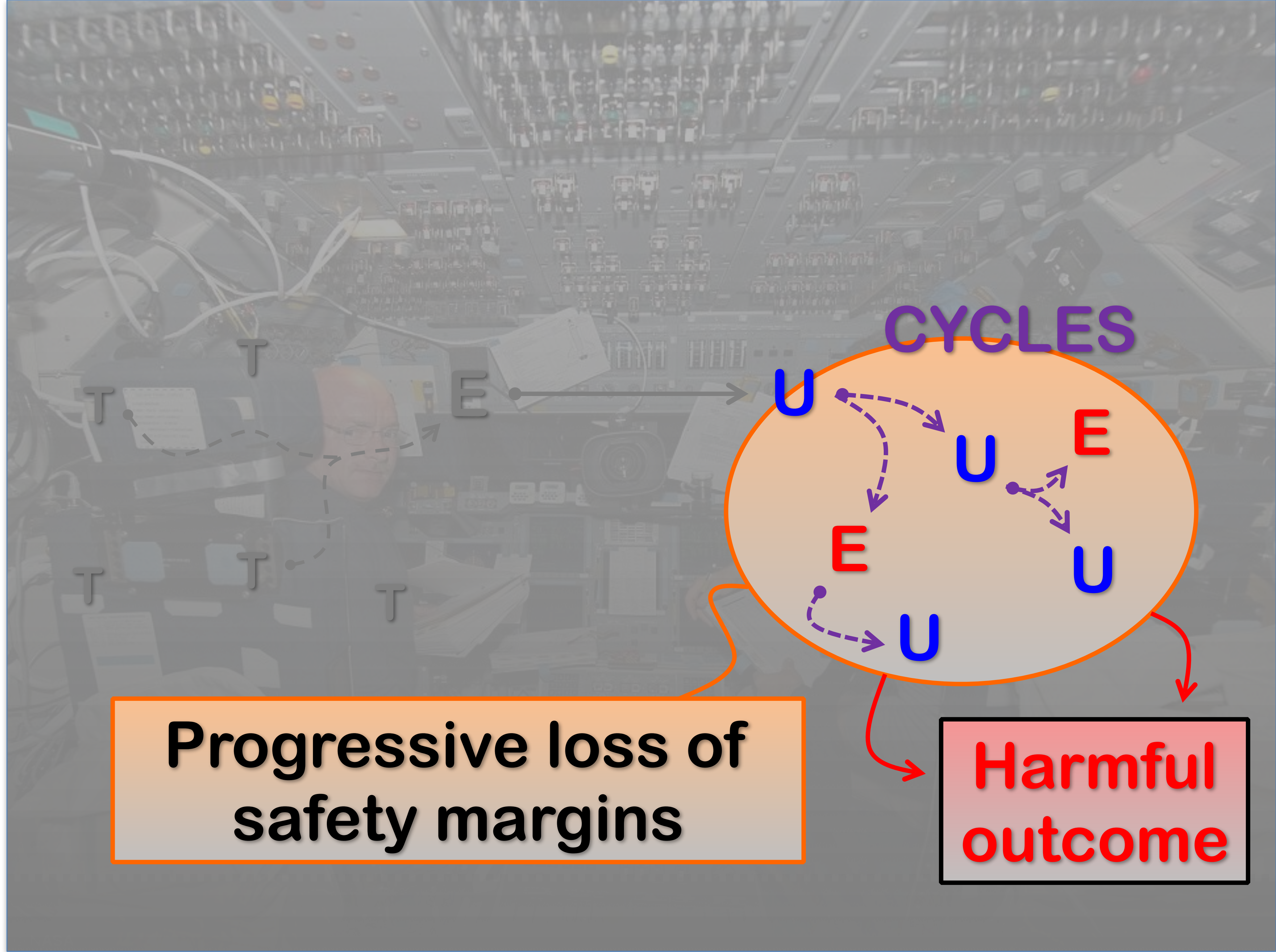












THREATS

Terrain

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Malfunctions

External errors

Operational stressors

Latent culture

Corollaries in Surgery

Terrain

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Disease

Co-existing conditions

Equipment

External factors

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The background of the slide is a photograph of several surgeons in an operating room. They are wearing blue surgical scrubs, white masks, and blue bouffant caps. They are focused on a patient, with their hands visible near the surgical site. The image is slightly faded to allow the text to be prominent.

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Violation

Procedural

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The background of the slide is a photograph of several surgeons in an operating room. They are wearing blue surgical gowns, white masks, and blue bouffant hairnets. They are focused on a patient, with various medical instruments and equipment visible in the background. The image is slightly faded to allow the text to be read clearly.

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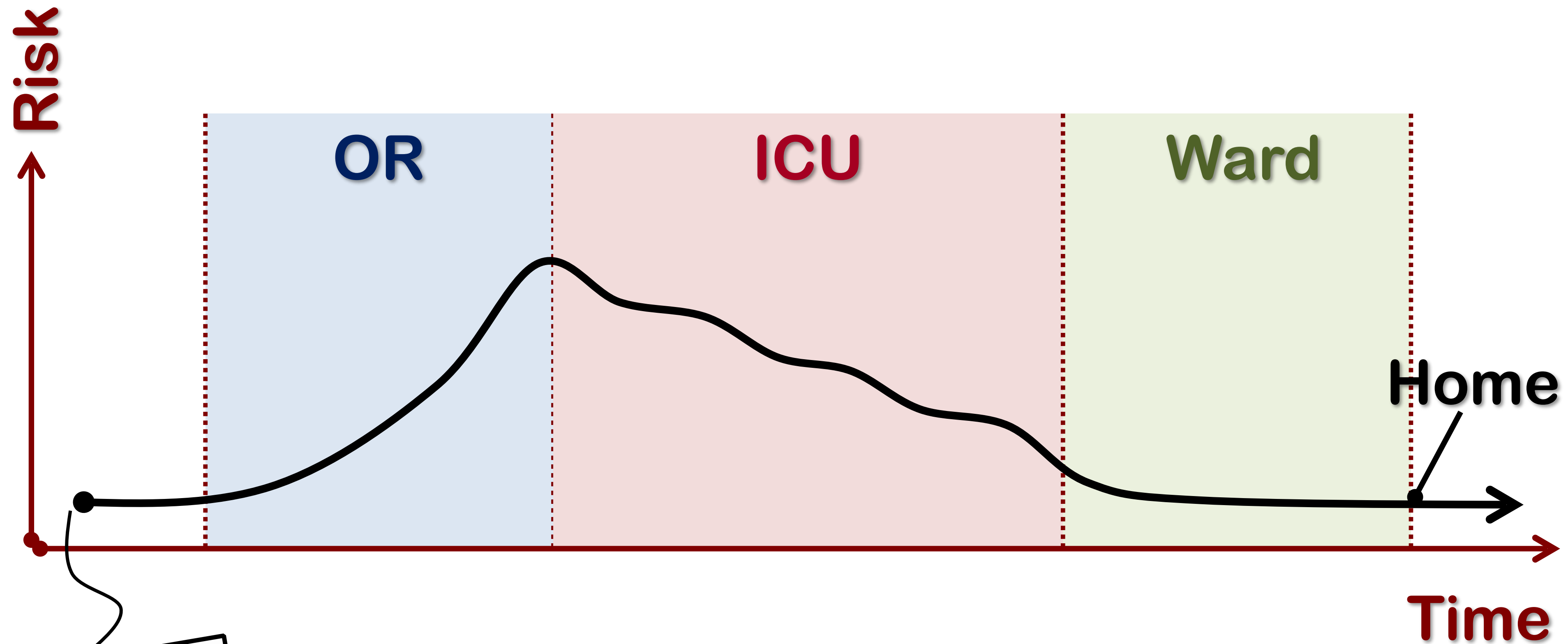
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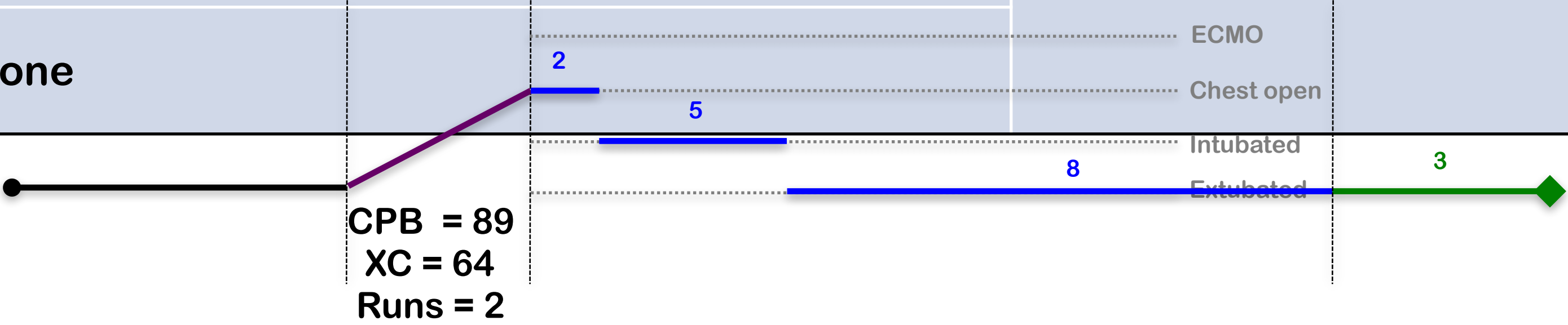
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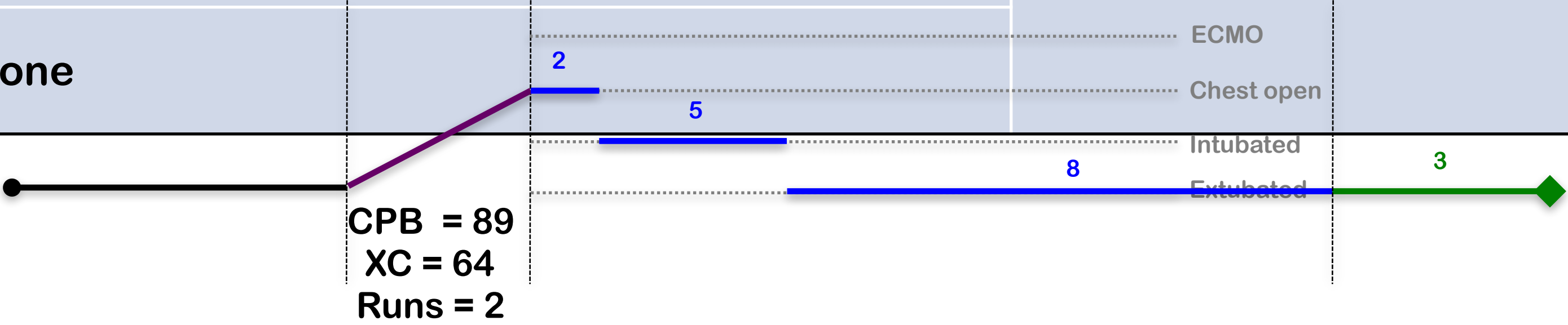
Open forum flightplan review

- Dedicated 1.0 FTE tracking of journey**
- All clinical charts tracked
 - Interviews with all staff
 - Echos and imaging all reviewed
 - Lab results scoured

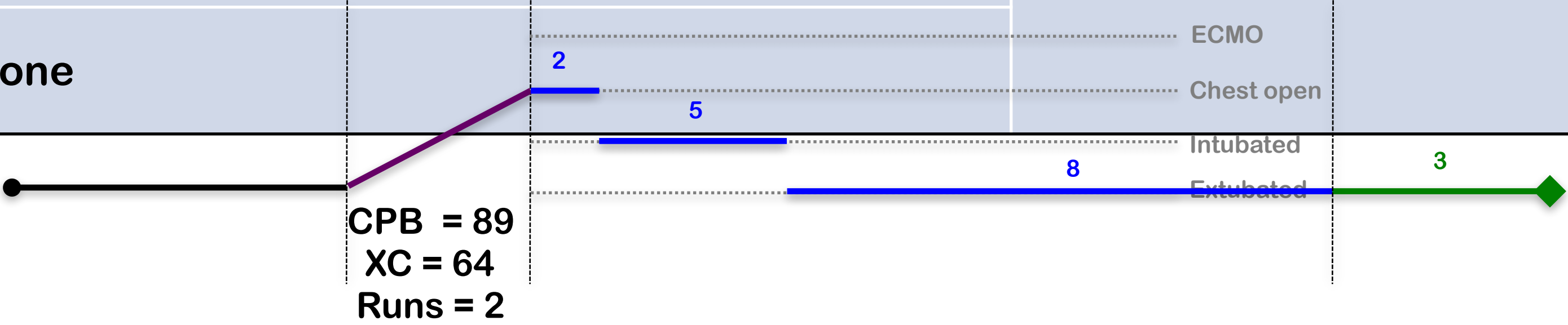
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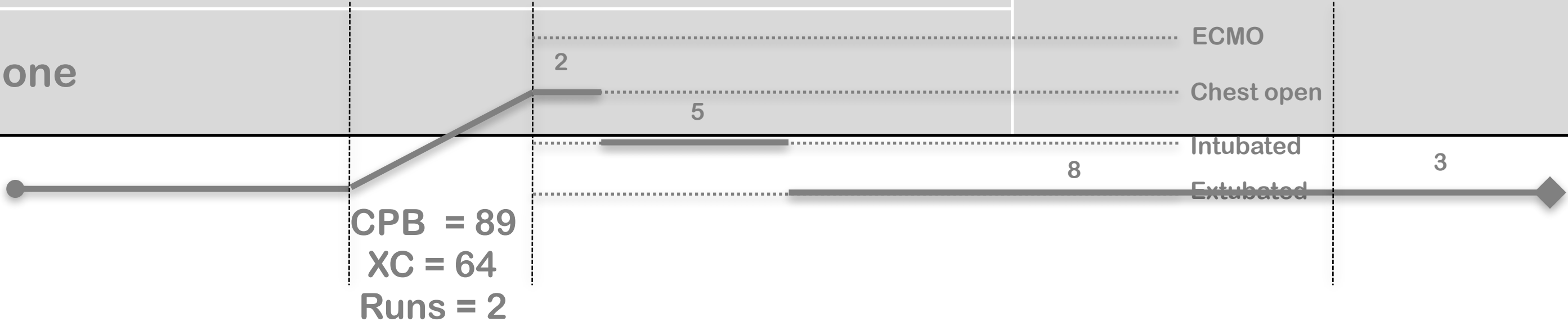
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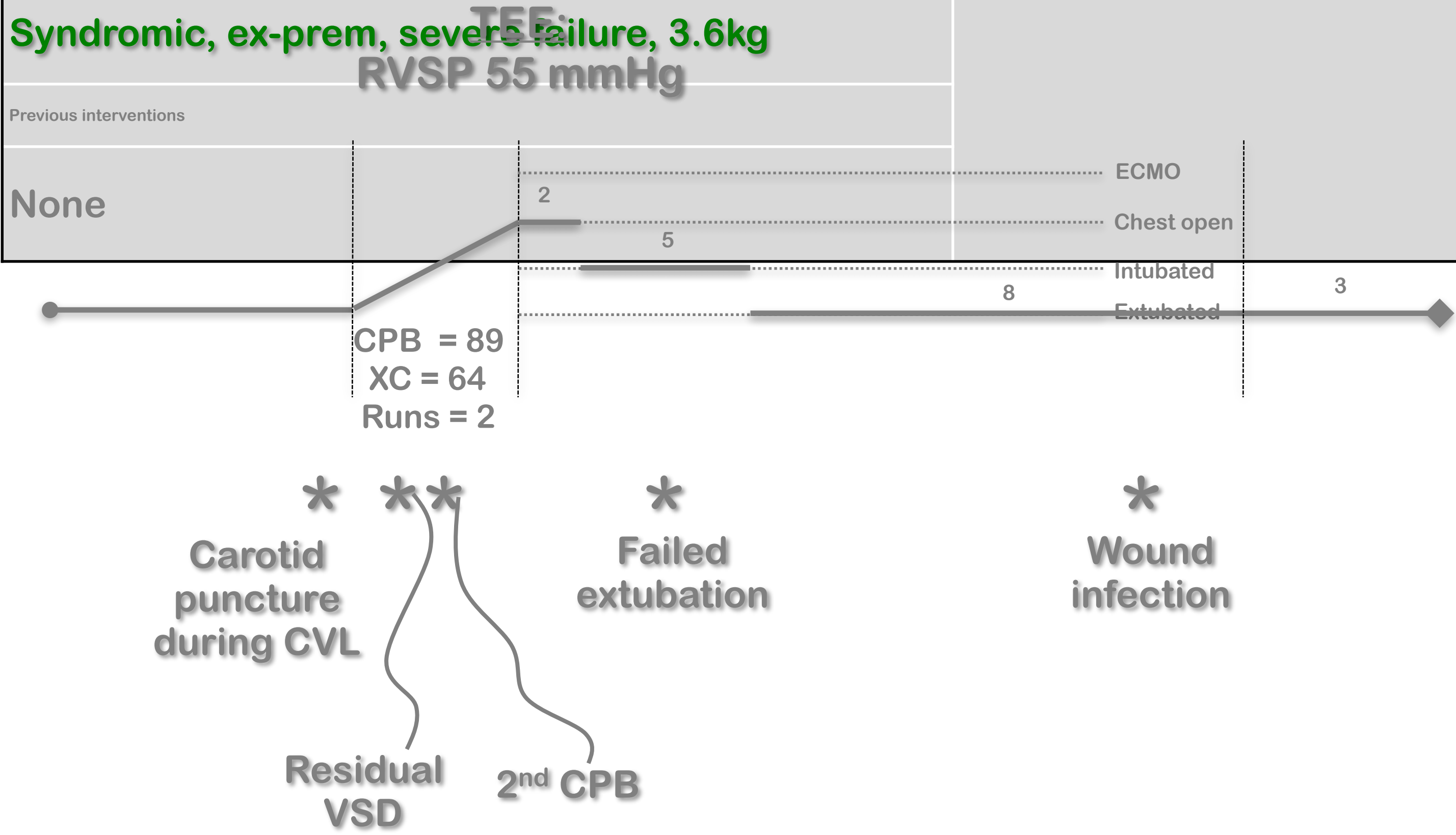
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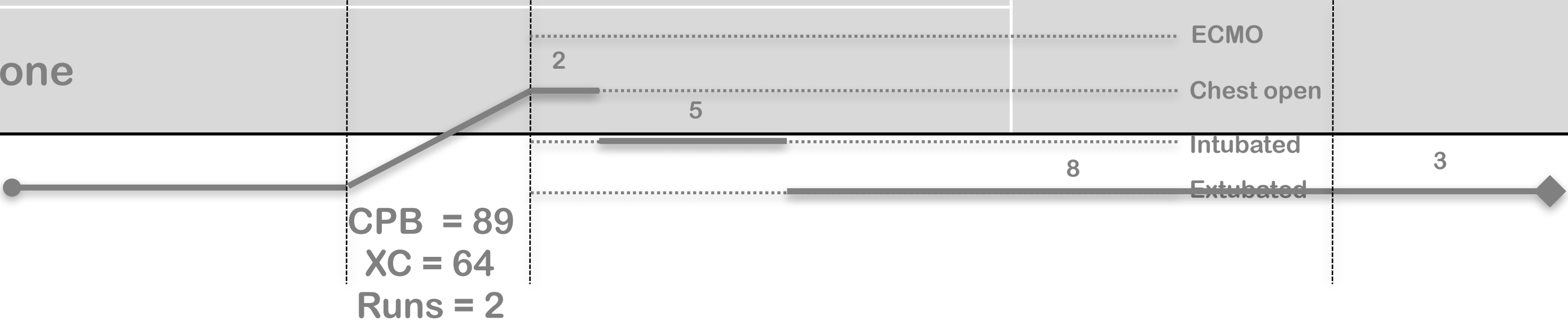
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* Carotid puncture during CVL

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* Residual VSD

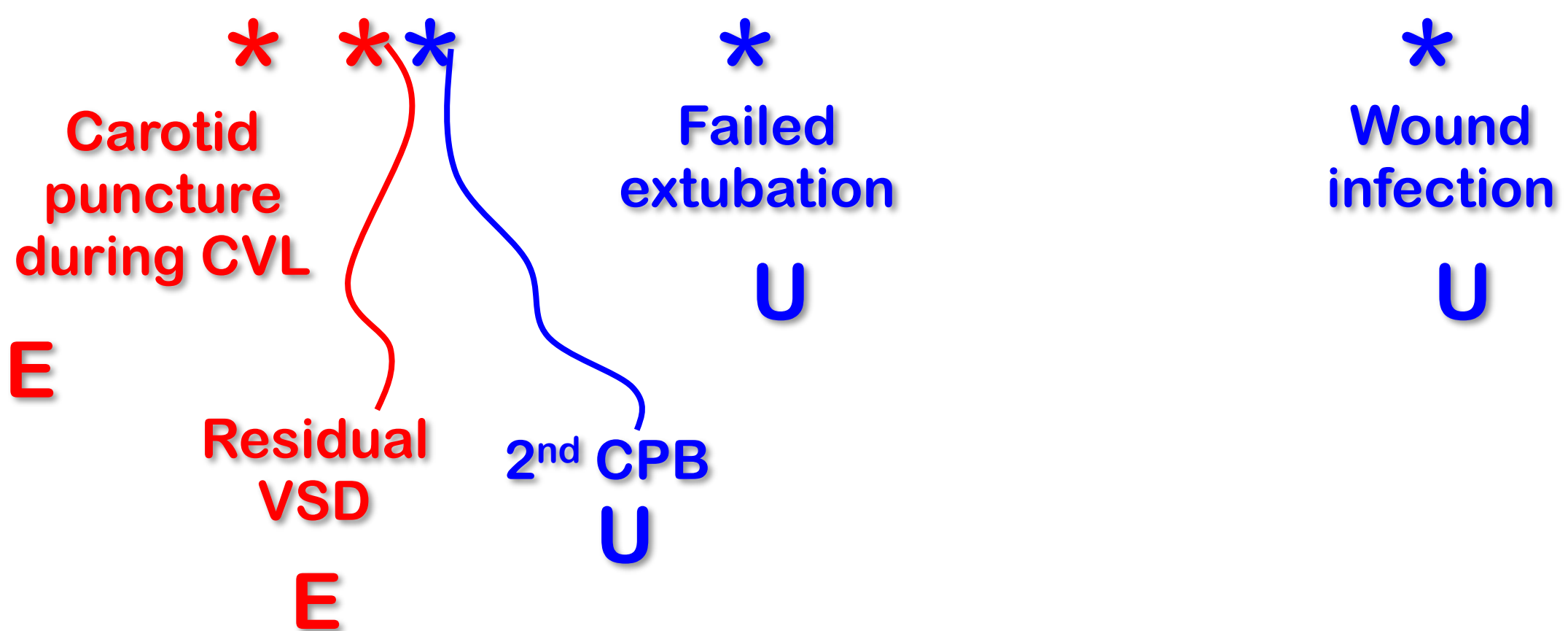
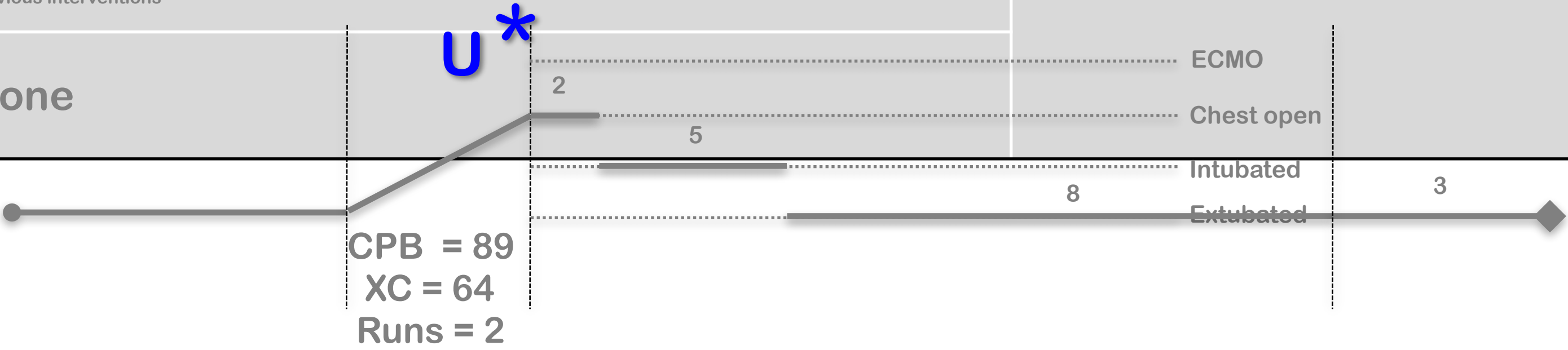
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* 2nd CPB

* Failed extubation

* Wound infection

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VSD	Feb 15 th 2012				
Other diagnoses	VSD repair				
Syndromic, ex-prem, severe failure, 3.6kg					
TEE: RVSP 55 mmHg					
Previous interventions					
None	<div><div></div><div>U *</div><div>2</div><div>5</div><div>ECMO</div><div>Chest open</div></div>				



Risk
↑

OR

ICU

Ward

Total patient flights	Any error	Apical OR error	Cycles of error	Amplifying errors	Failed de-escalation
N=524	N=257	N=94	N=110	N=51	N=64

50% of all patients experience **error**

Most errors (33% of all patients) are
clinically consequential

Most clinically consequential errors lead
to further **cycles of error or unintended**
state

**>30,000 airline crews observed during
LOSAs**

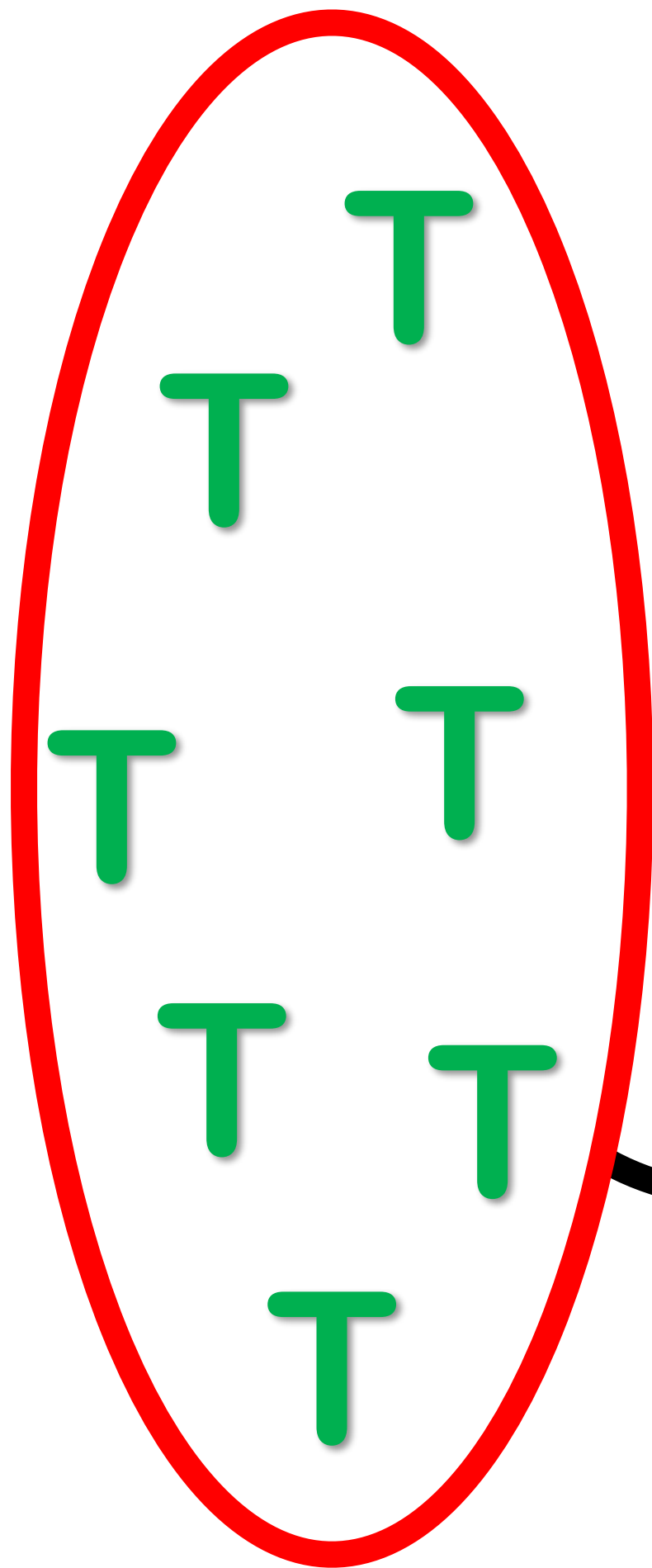
Highest-performers:

Hypervigilant

Continuously problem-solving

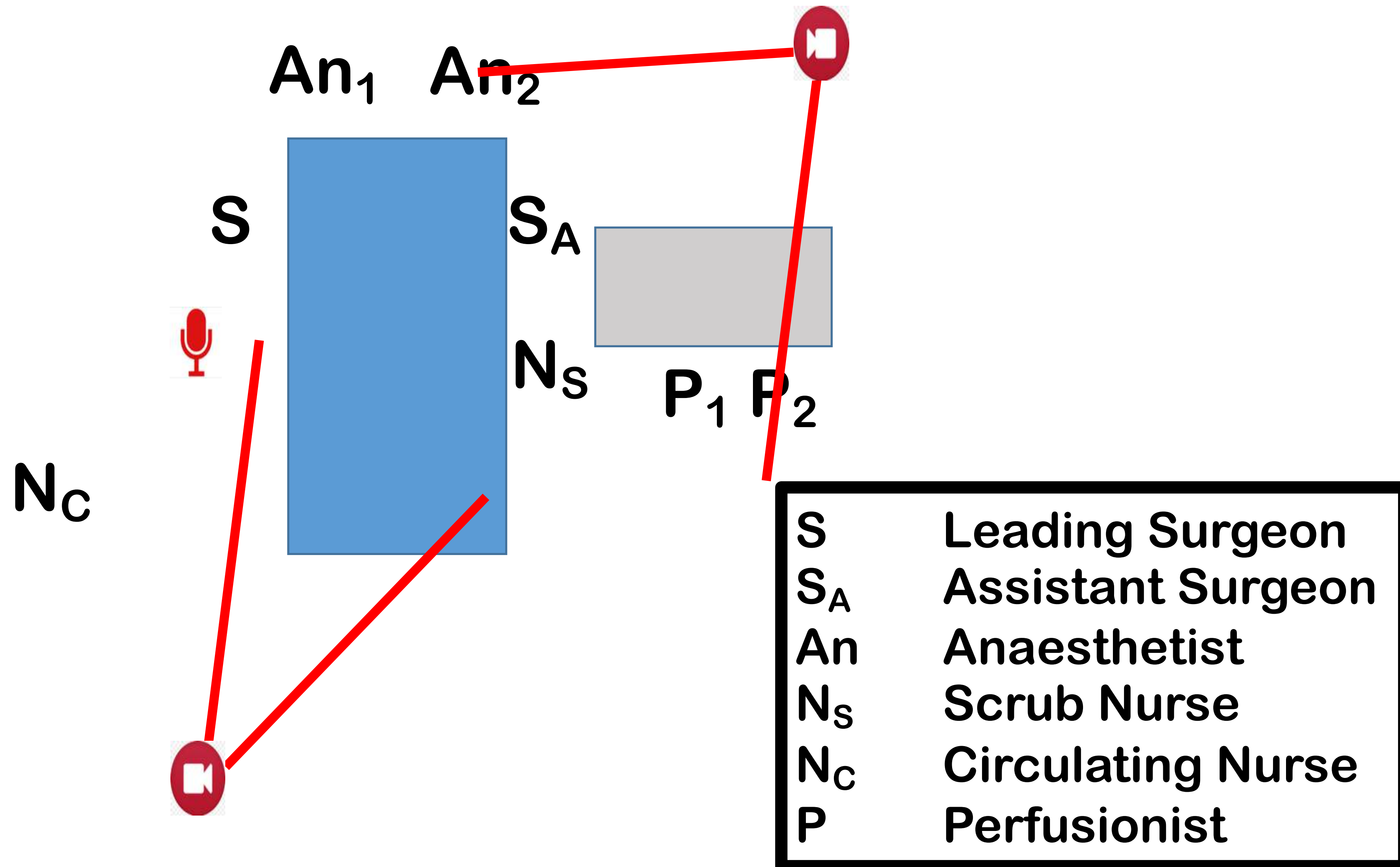
Anticipate failure

LOSAs in operating room



- To **implement** an aviation style of **evaluation** in the cardiac **operating room**.
- To **identify** all potential **operative threats**.

Operating Room Setup





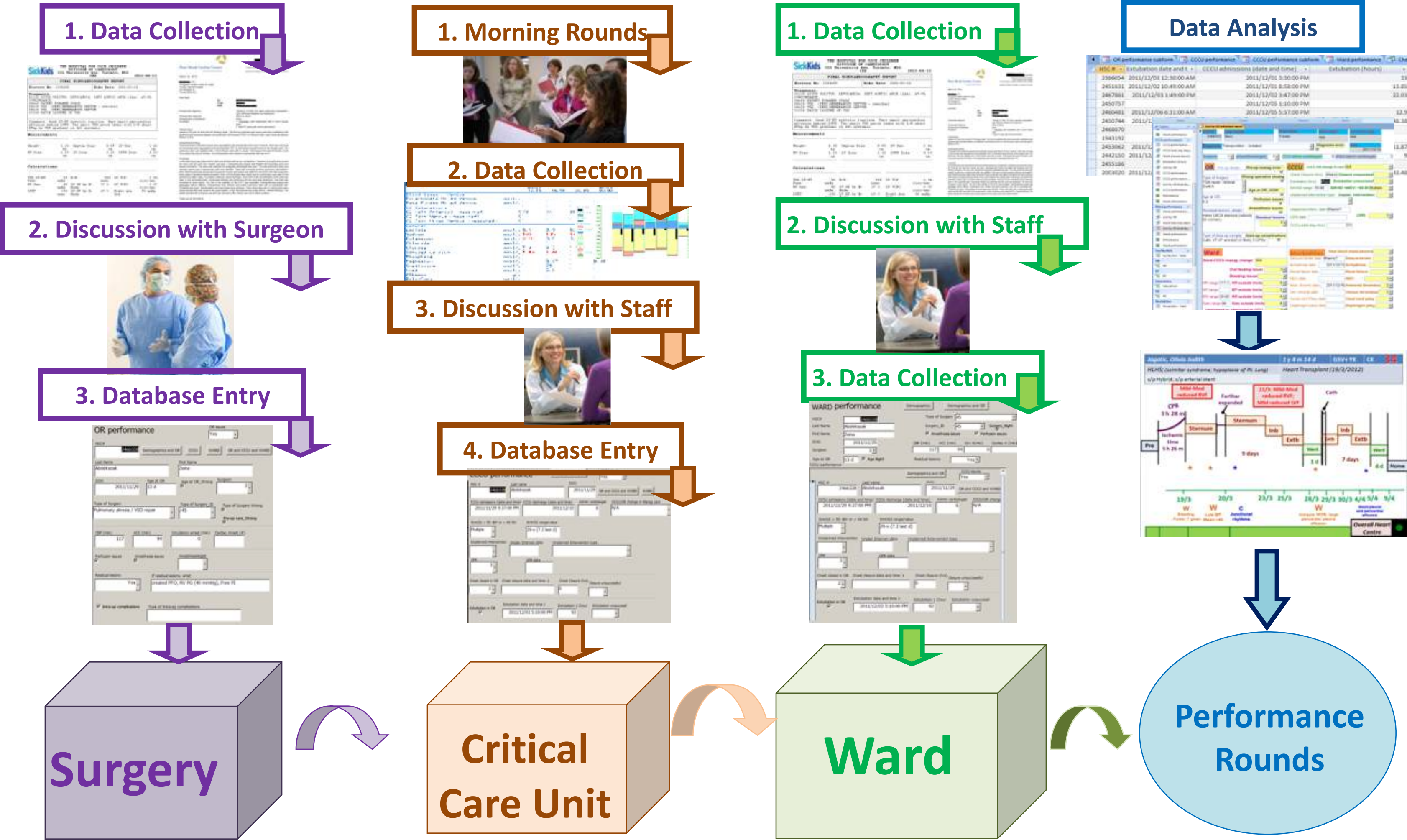
Threat Classification

- Absence
- Coordination/Communication
- Decision Error
- Distraction
- Workspace Management
- External Pressures
- External Resource Failure
- Fatigue
- Patient/Morphological Procedural
- Psychomotor Error
- Sterility
- Team Conflict
- Technical Difficulties
- Temperature Control of Patient

Total count of **threats** in **21** operations:

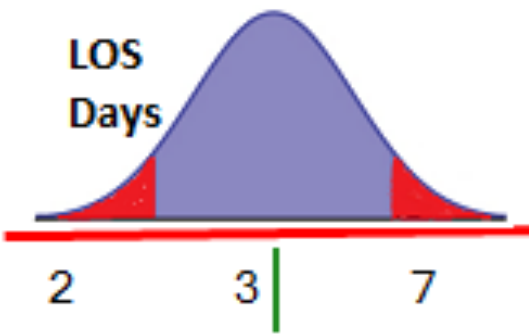
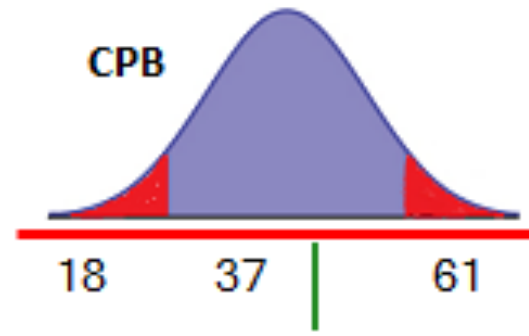
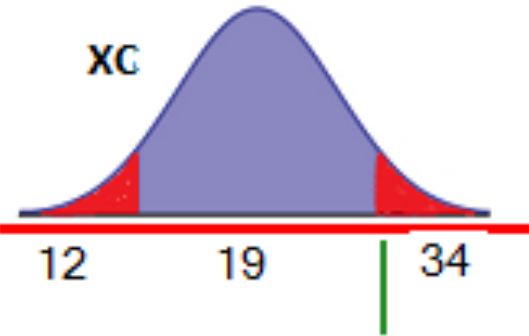
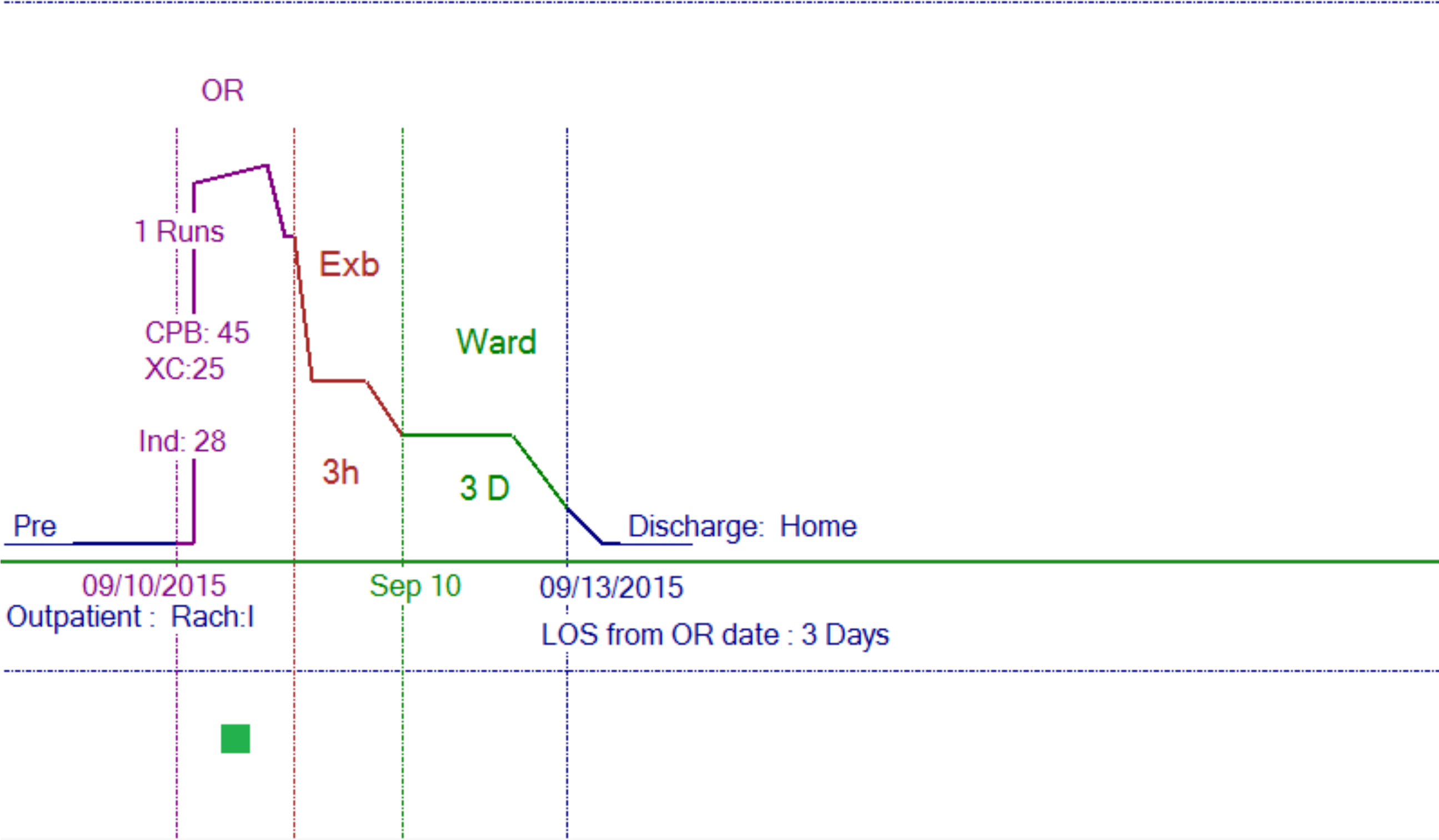
N=880

Performance tracking initiative



Name	Age	Weight	Surgeaon+Fellow	Anesth	ICU	Cardio
Name 110110- F	2y 8m 14d	11.50 Kg	JC+ DT	KC	AK	GG
Diagnosis	Intervention					
Secundum ASD, RV dilation	Sep 10,Secundum ASD closure					
Other Diagnosis	Previous Intervention					

Good biv sys fnx
No Res ASD



Excellent for team

Educational

Improves accountability

Awareness and follow-up

Problems solved fast

20 years of training

No guidance on performing in or managing degraded situations

Yet, crew resource management has been mandatory in pilot training for >20 years!

AHA Scientific Statement

Patient Safety in the Cardiac Operating Room: Human Factors and Teamwork

A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association

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Quality of Care and Outcomes Research

(Circulation. 2013;128:1139-1169.)

Why have we not done as well as airlines?



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Prioritisation and Leadership

safety must be the top priority

leadership (and messaging) must be consistent



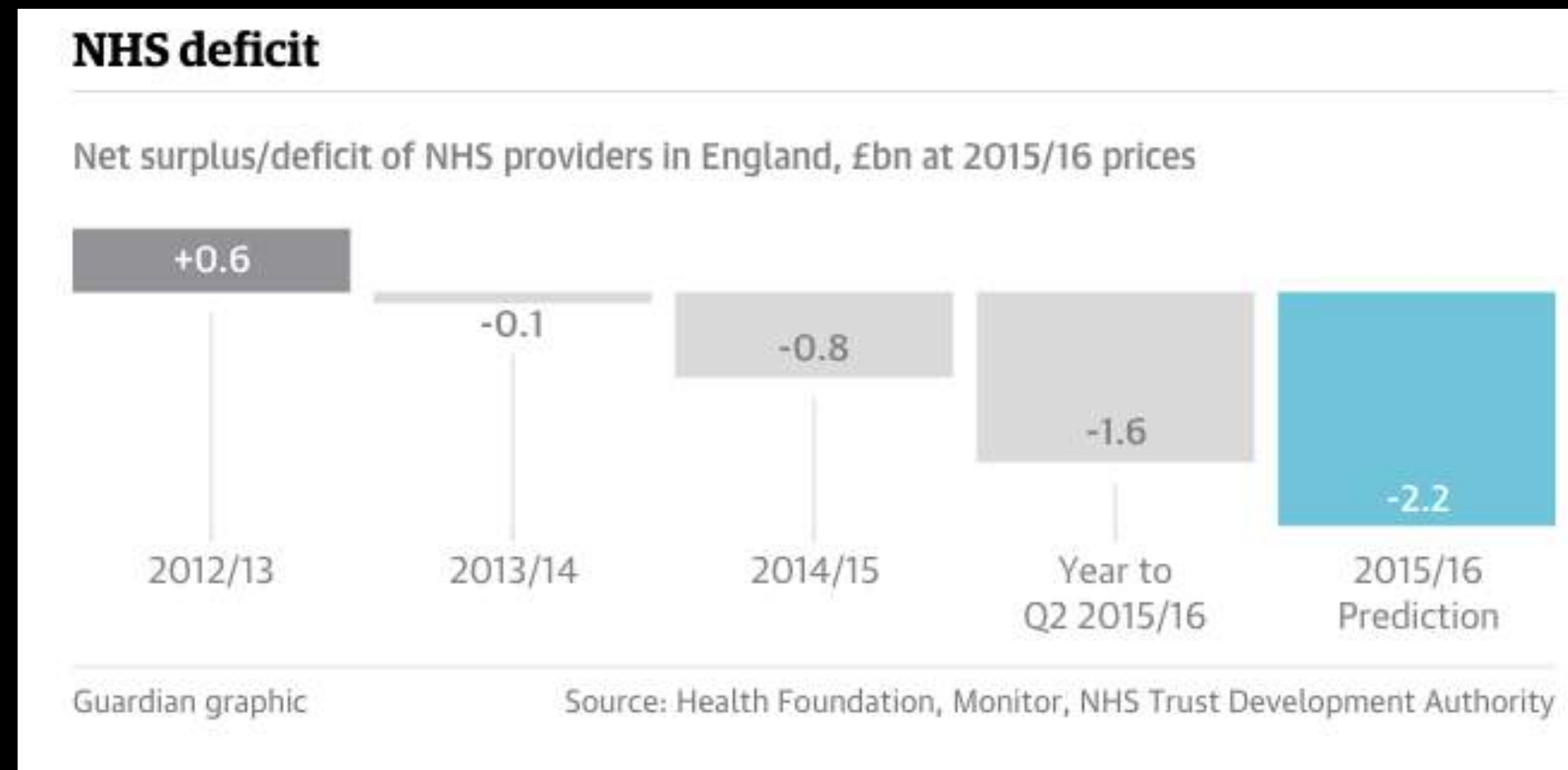
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Financial Pressures

safety must NOT be compromised



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Continental CEO Jeff Smisek

(committed to cost saving:
worked one year without getting salary)

2010 „Manager of the year“

2004 bis 2009
„Most Admired Global Airline“

„Highest Ranked Network Airline“



Continental Airlines

Safety is our top priority: Flights can stop for extra fuel en route if necessary!

Continental Airlines fuel emergencies

(less than 30 minutes of fuel!) at Newark Airport

2005: 19

2006: 42

2007: 96

Optional and Local

Variably Implemented in Core Training

**In-service performance assessment
unsophisticated**



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aircraft tend to be more predictable than patients

Helmreich RL.

On error management: lessons from aviation.

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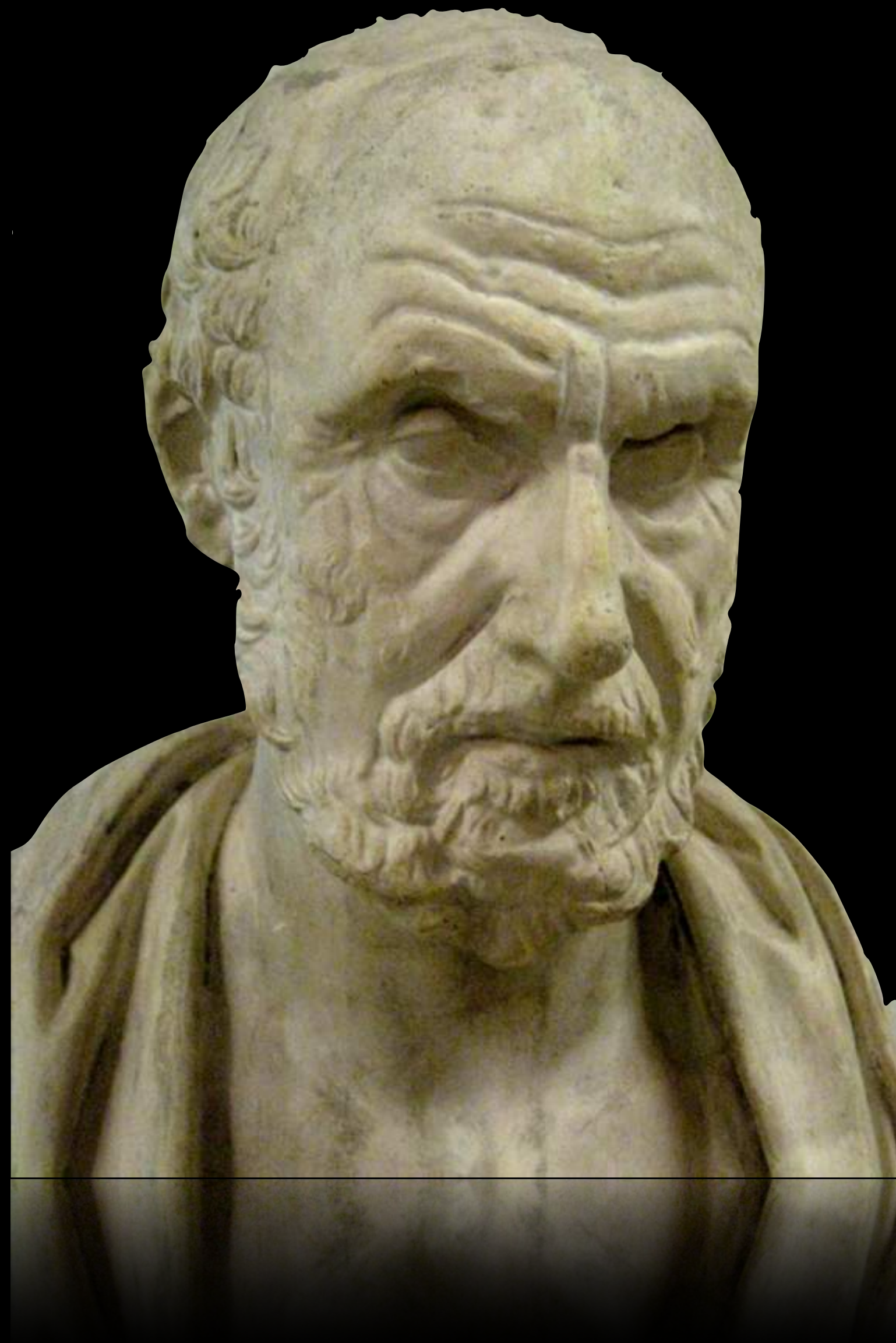
it's harder for us, but we can do much better



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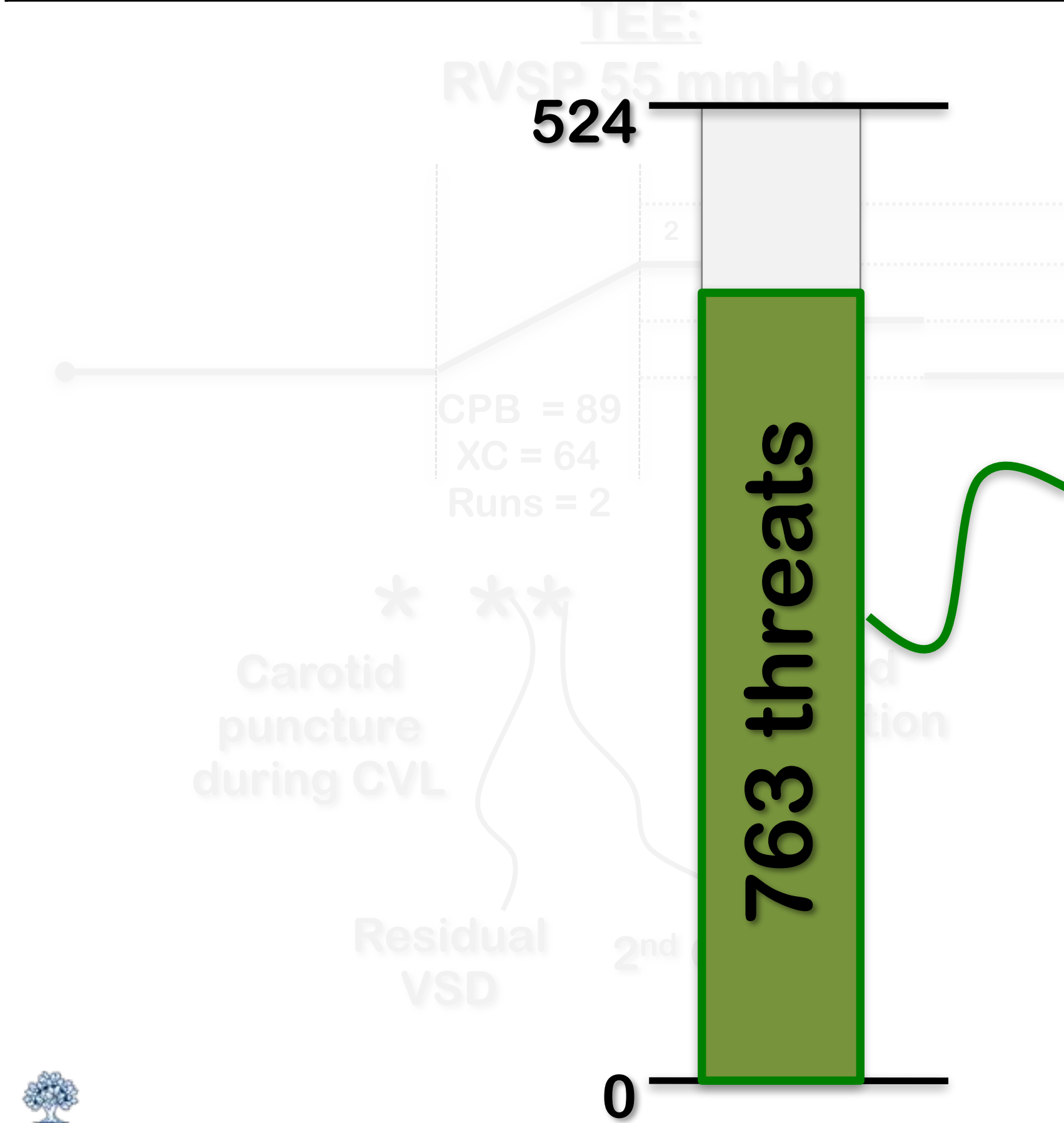


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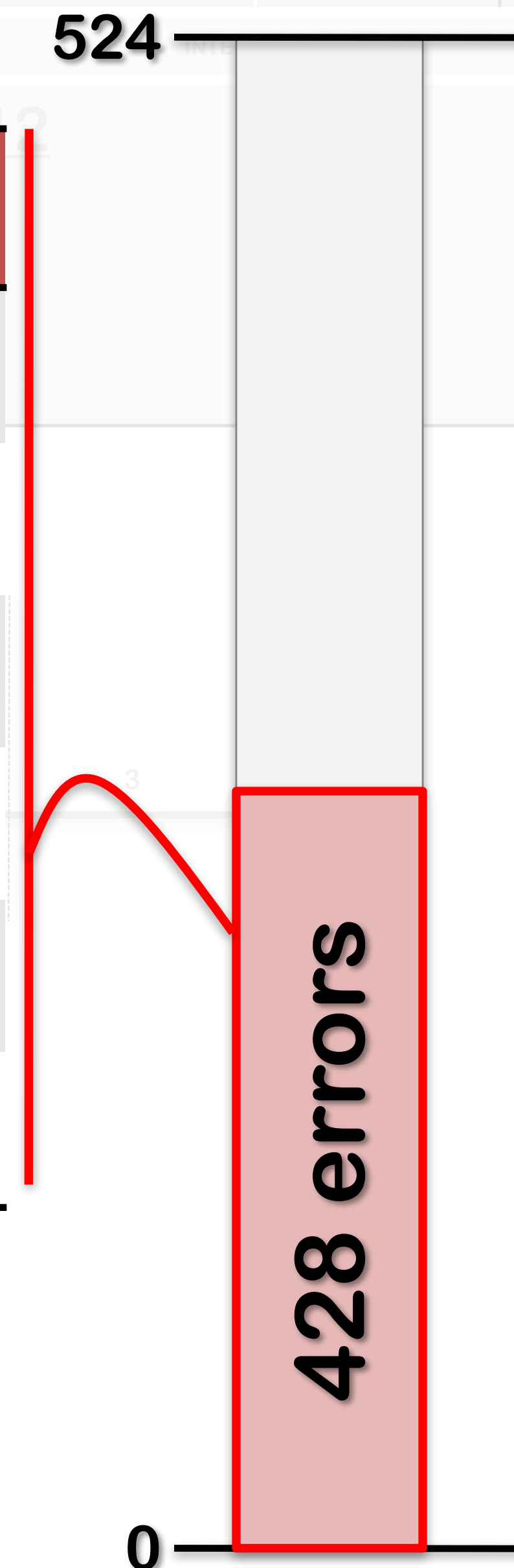
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	N	%
Morphology	230	30
Co-morbidities	424	56
Equipment	26	3
External threats	79	10
Operation stressors	1	<1

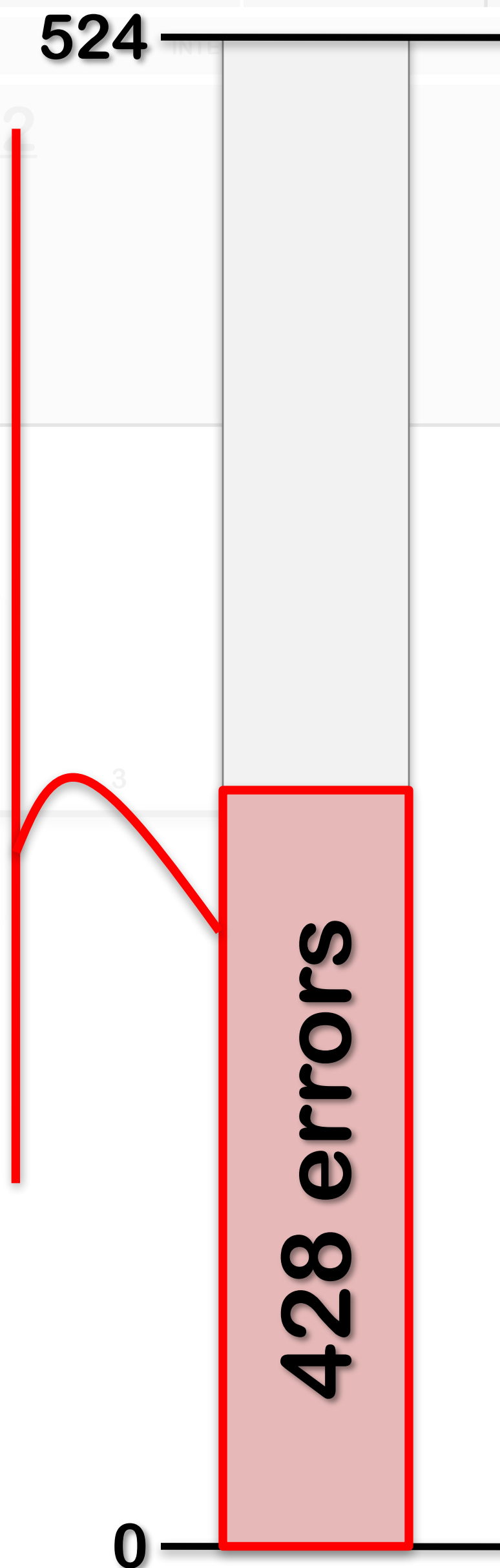
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Admission diagnosis	524				
VSD	5.1.15th 2012				
Other					
S					
Pre					
N					

	N	%
Violation	10	2
Procedural	14	3
Communication	18	4
Proficiency	280	65
Inferred	32	7
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“The single greatest impediment to error prevention in the medical industry is that we punish people for making mistakes”

Professor Lucian Leape 2009

- [George Webb](#) | 16-Feb-2015 3:52 pm

Why do we continue to compare health to the motor and air industries. Some of the technology is transferable and some of the systems but not all. Why not compare health to nuclear systems protection? They use triple monitoring to guard against technology or system errors and fail safe where possible. As an ex electrical engineer with some knowledge of automation I have experienced system failures even in the best of equipment. It is time that experts stuck to what they know and stop acting as poly maths.