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A study on the fusion of STPA and Nissan's Systems Engineering

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Summary

Nissan studied on the fusion of STPA and our layered RFLP process, and the results are

- STPA has a strong affinity to layered RFLP* process
- **STPA step1 is powerful to make “Requirements” substantial**
- STPA step2 is powerful to check and close the design before delivering requirements to lower layer

*RFLP express
R: Requirements
F: Functional Architecture
L: Logical Architecture
P: Components/software and Implementation

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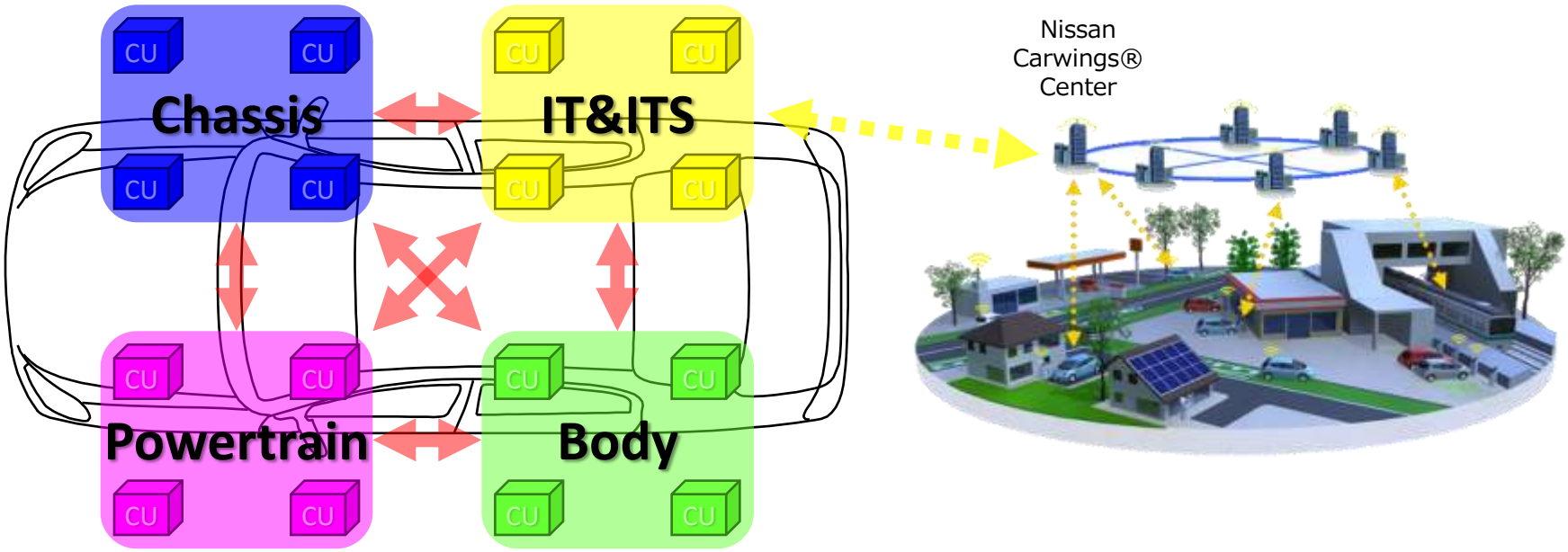

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- ✓ The vehicle system is growing more and more large scale
- ✓ It is difficult to develop the software without dividing into appropriate size.

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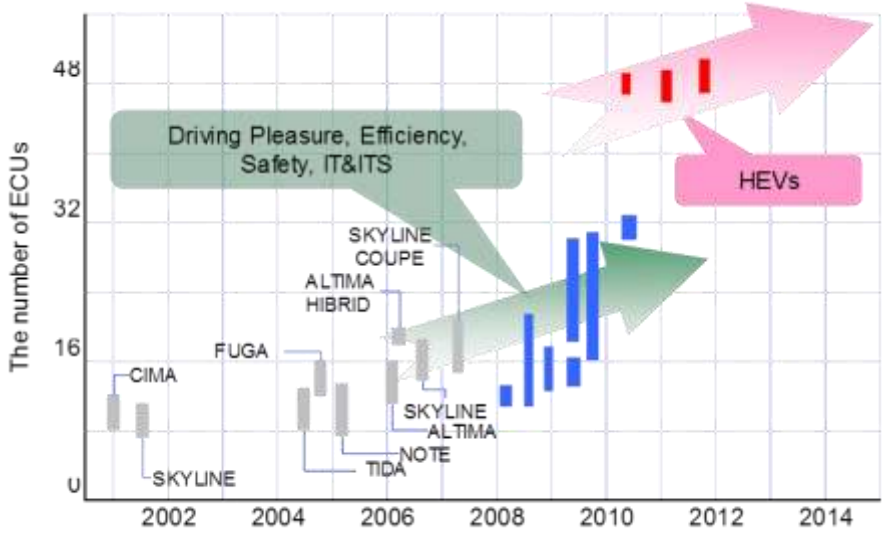
are increasing x5 / 10 years.



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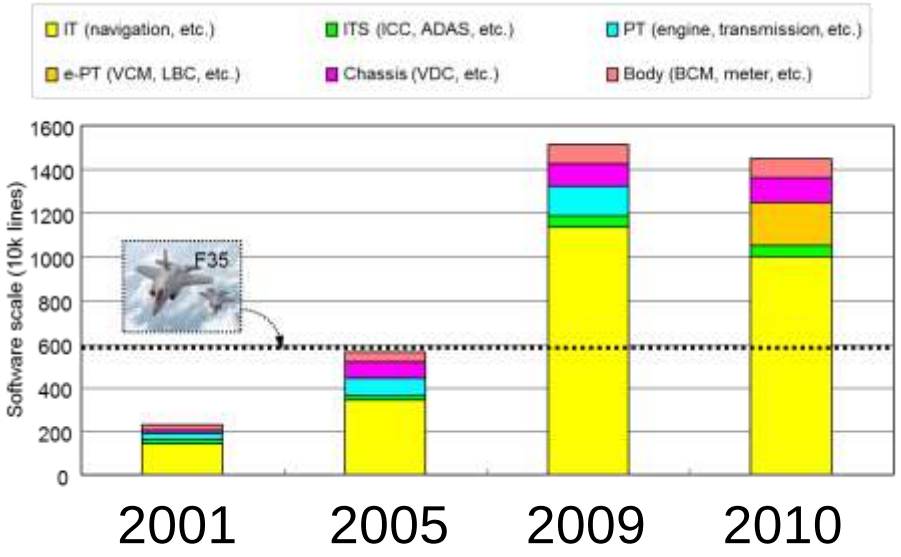

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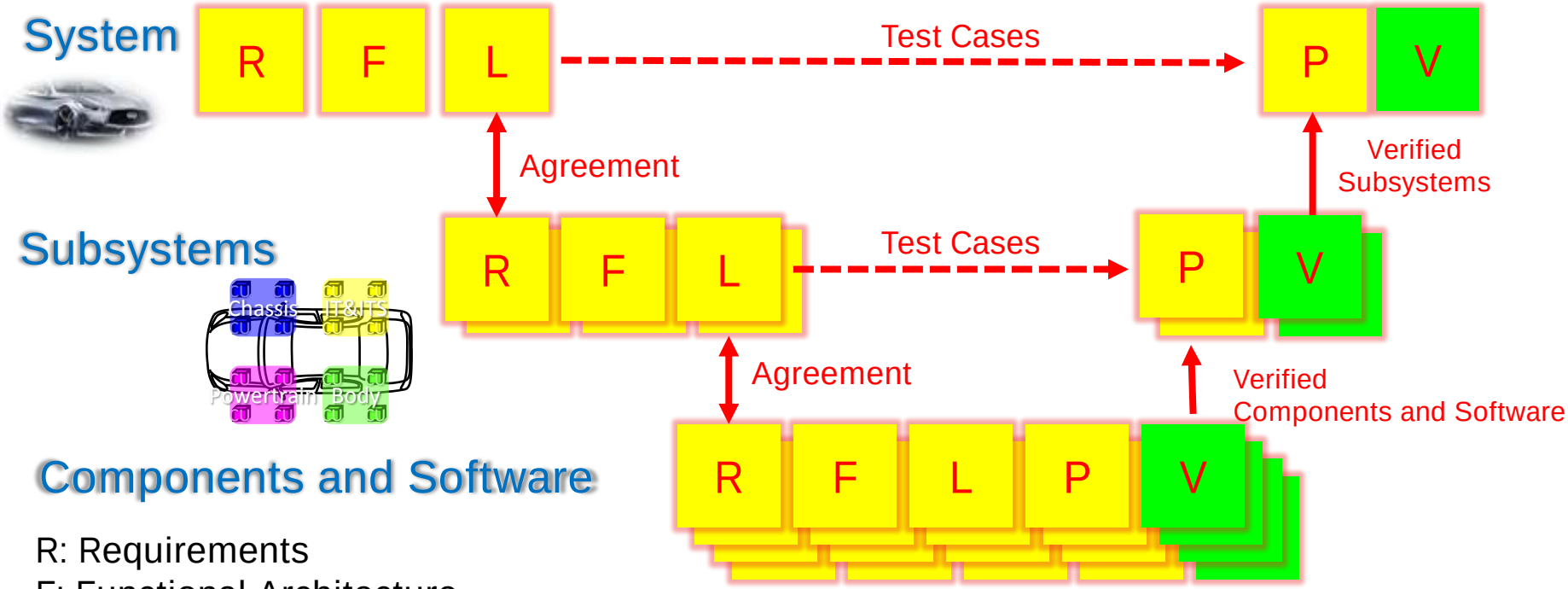
Nissan‘s Systems Engineering

- ✓ To develop complex and large vehicle system, we deploy systems engineering process, based on layered RFLP.
- ✓ We have to close system design before delivering requirements to lower layer systems.



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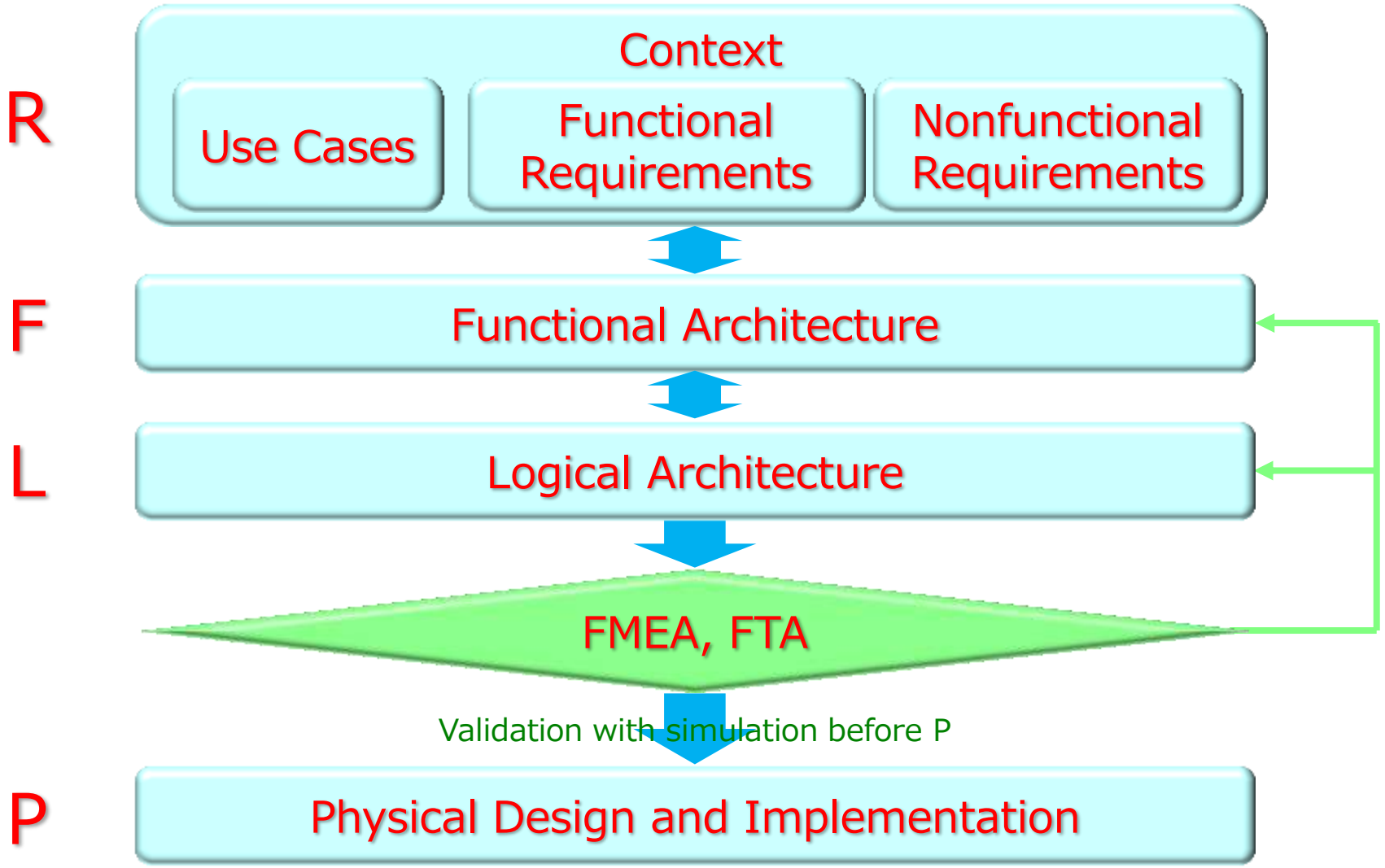
Current RFLP process in Nissan

✓ We implement FTA &FMEA after logical architecture



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Approach to Innovation

For shifting from "Reliability Design" to "Safety Design", **we replace “FTA & FMEA” with “STPA”**

- **As “Requirements”, “Safety Constraints” are needed** in addition to "Functional Requirements", "Nonfunctional Requirements" and "Use Case".

  --> Allocate "STPA step1" in "R"

- Before delivering requirements to lower layer, system design is needed to be closed

  --> Allocate “STPA step2” after “L”

New process under study

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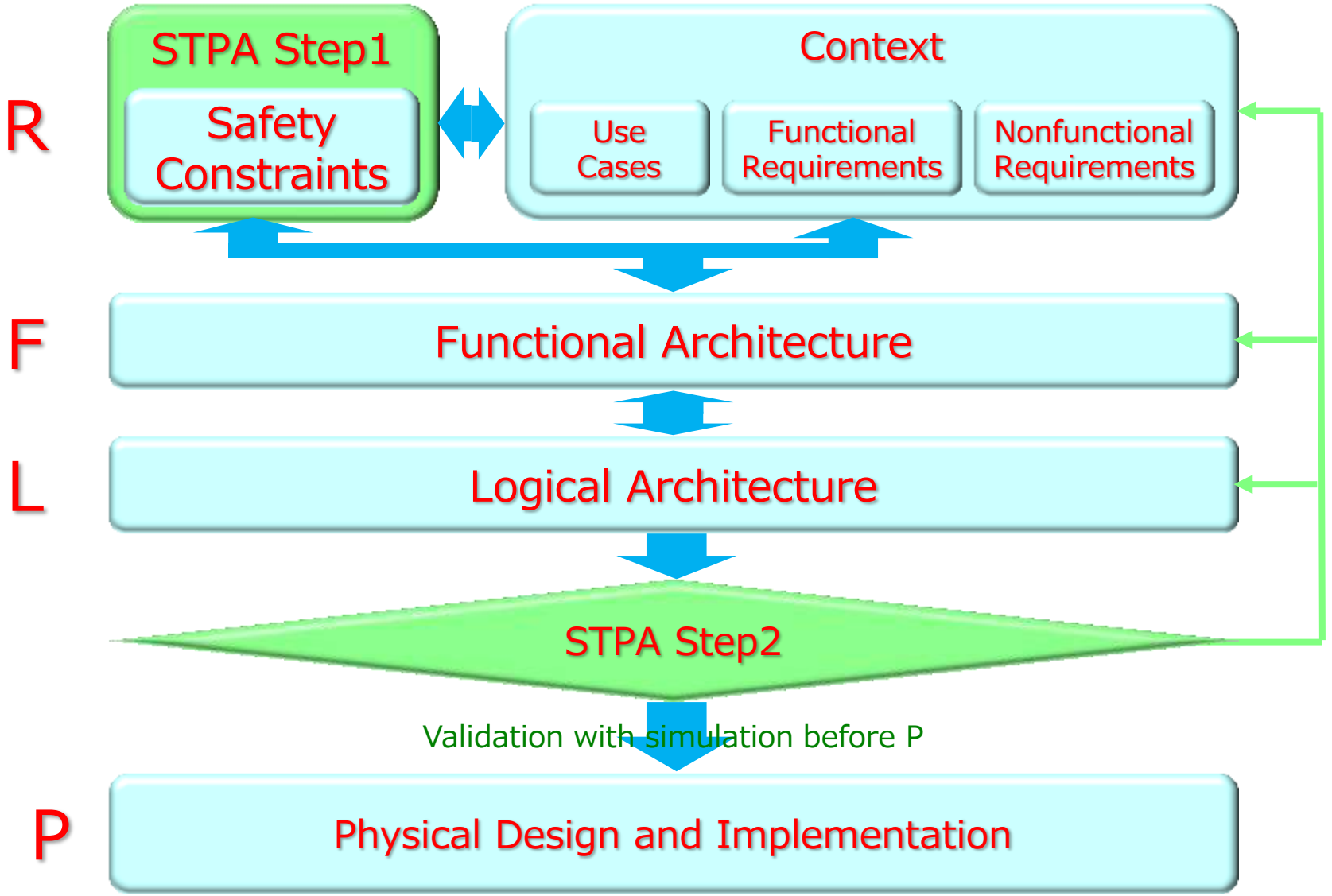

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Trial system

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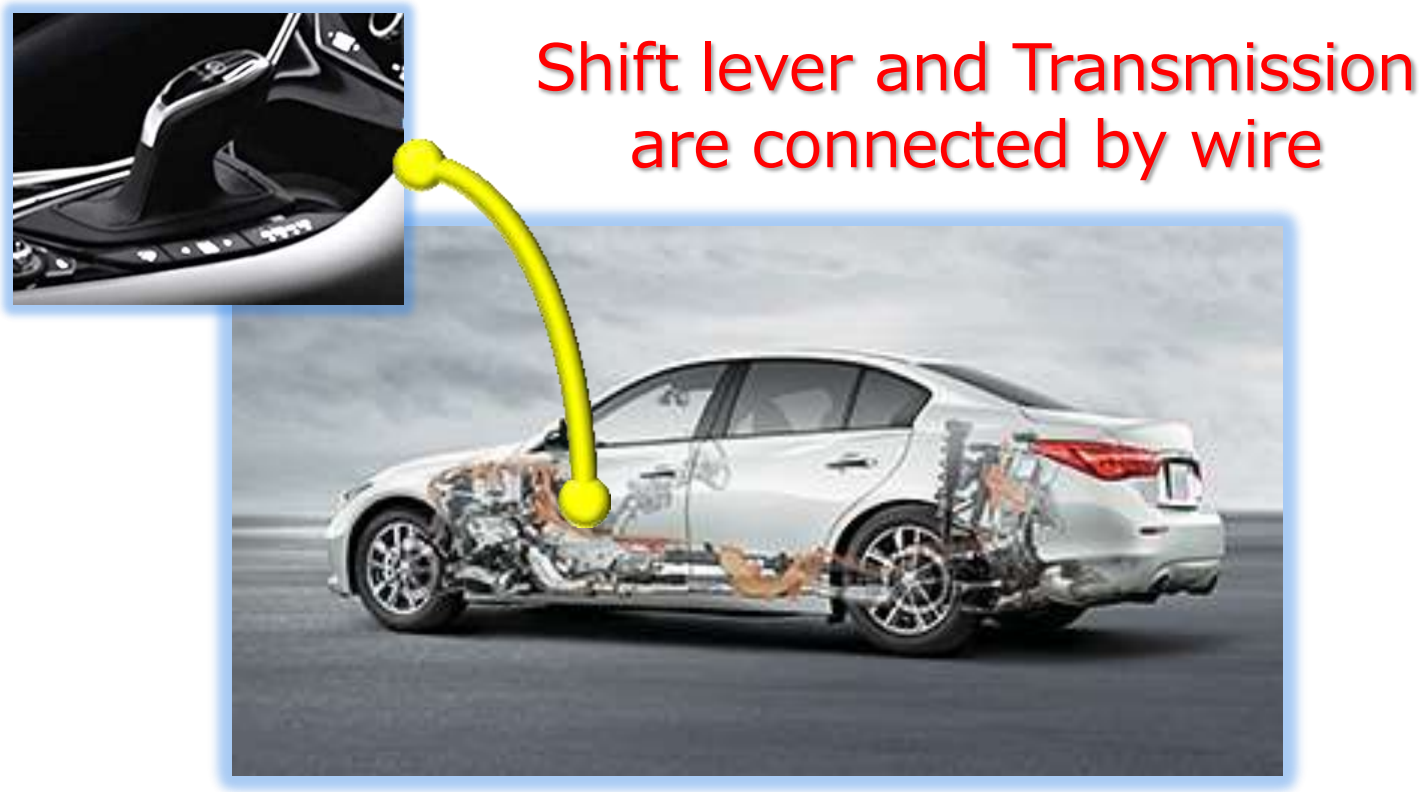
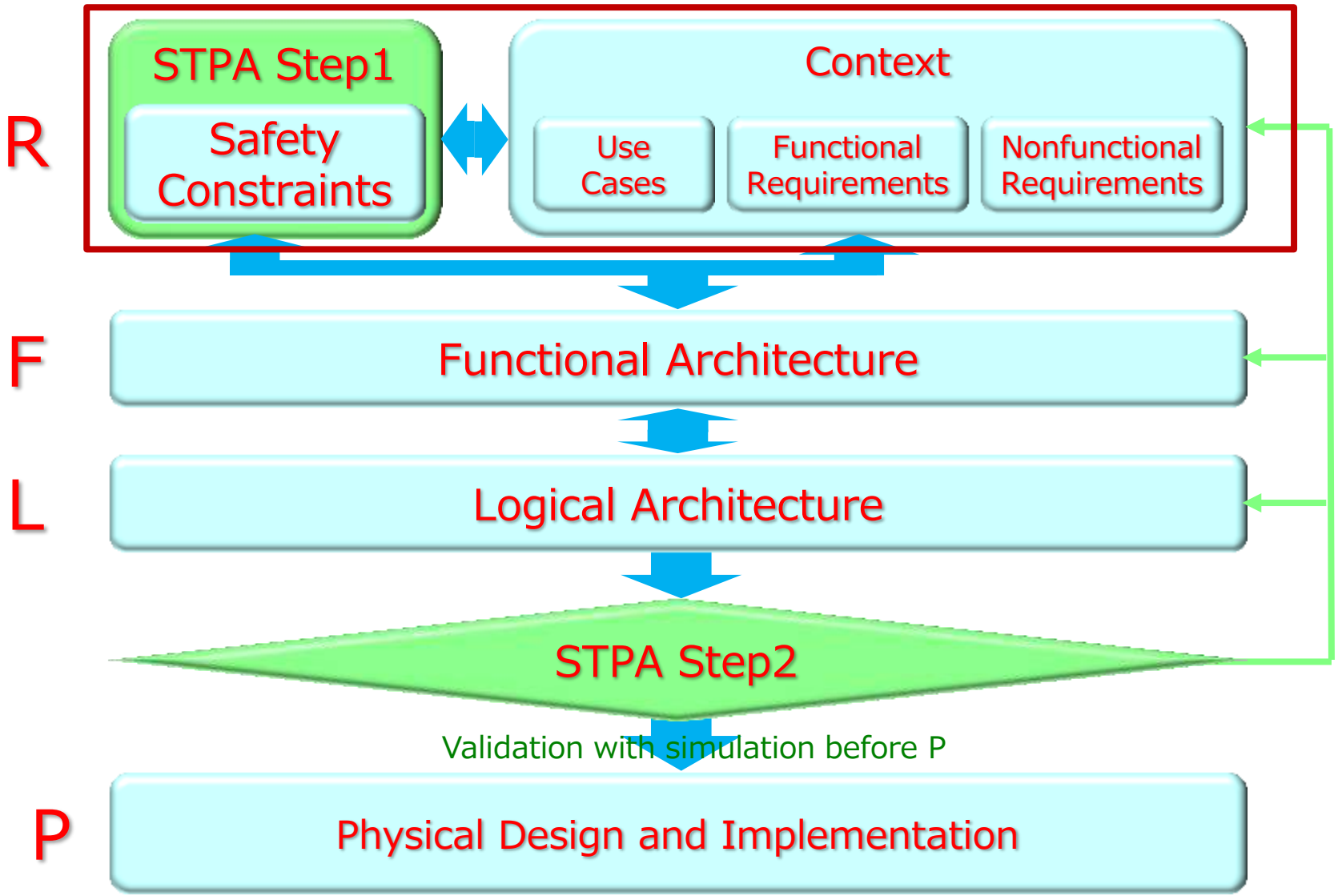
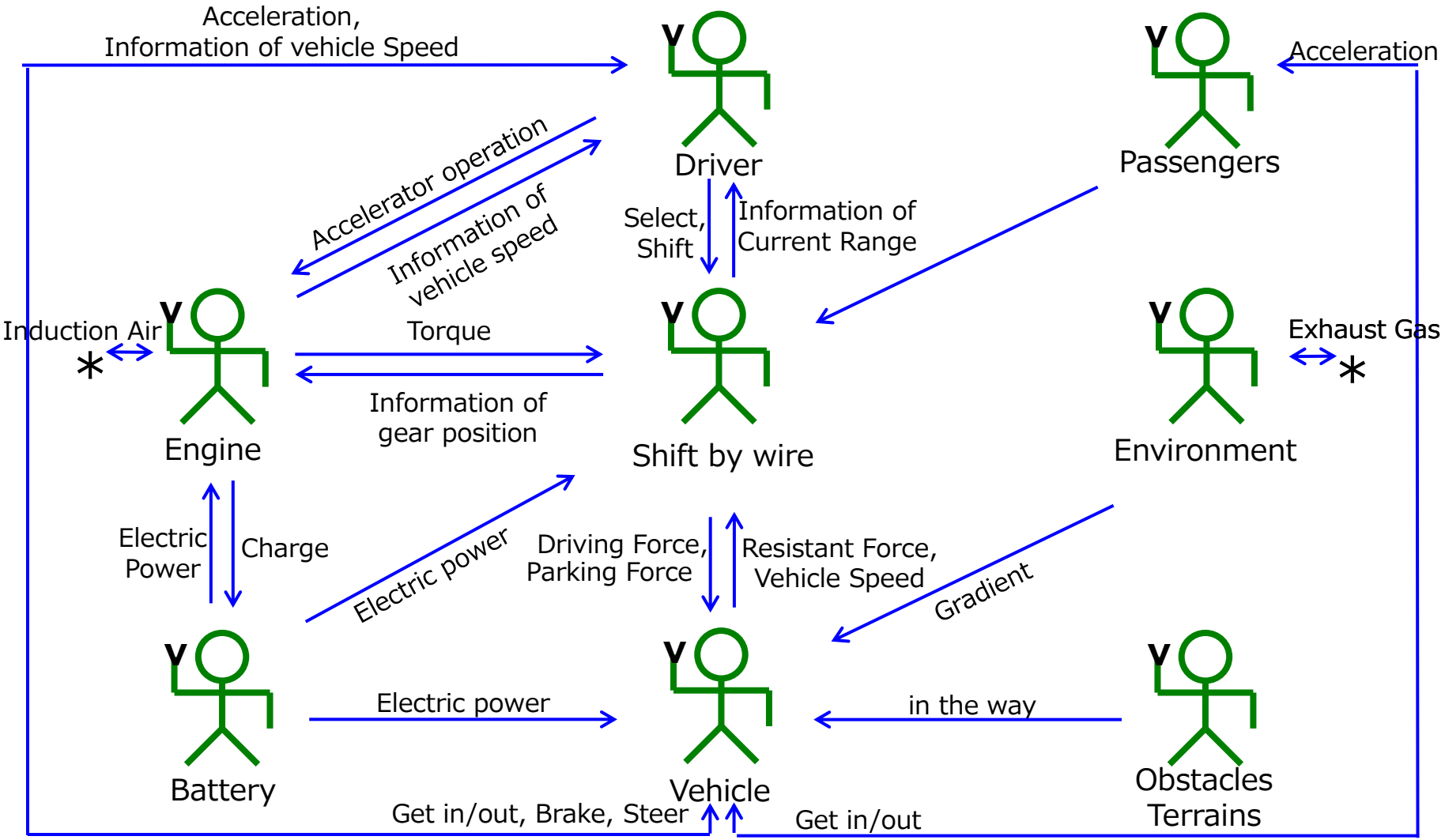


Define requirements and implement STPA Step1



Requirements analysis in Nissan

- ✓ Interactions with scenarios between Shift by wire and stakeholder/external systems were identified



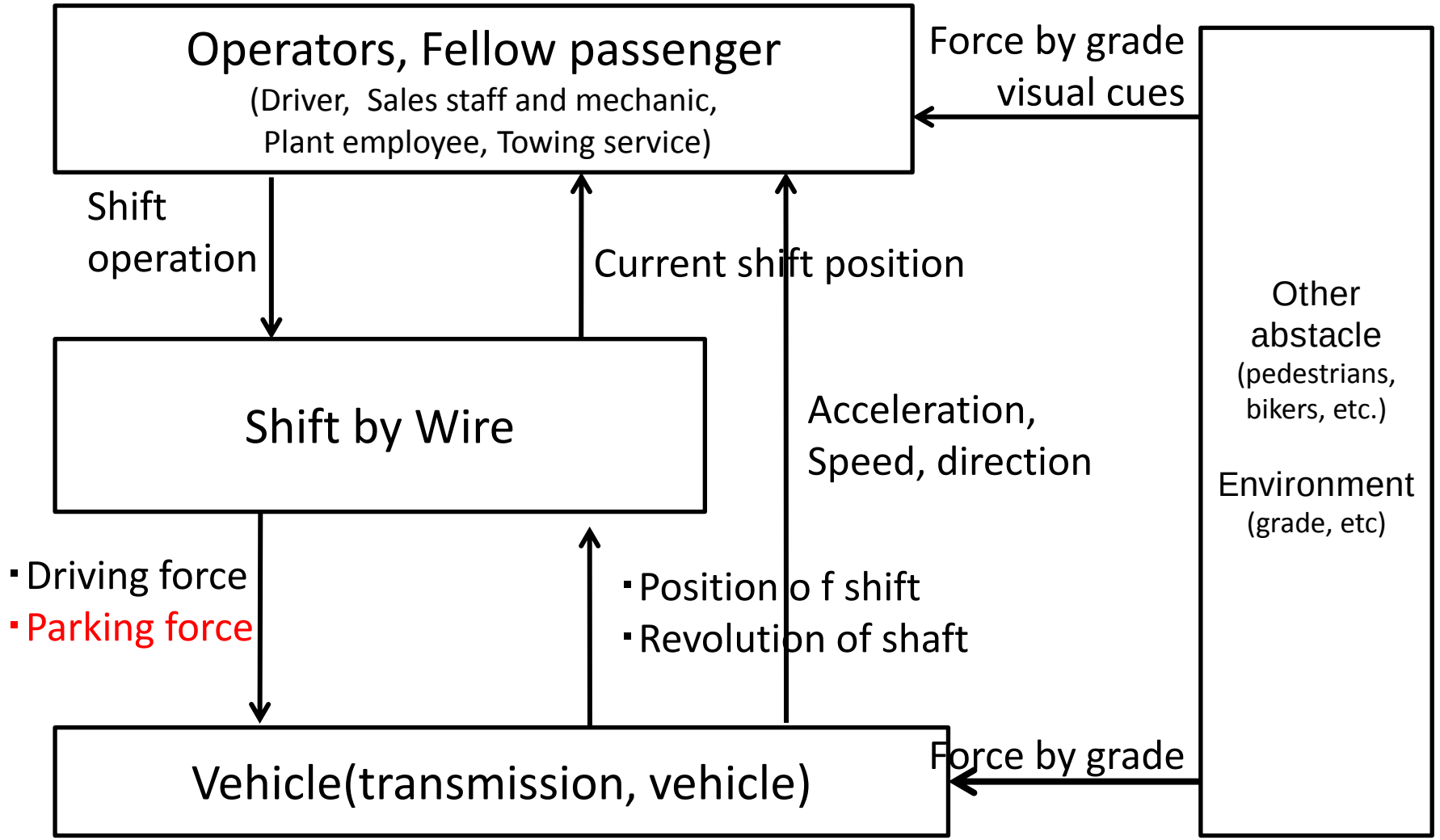
STPA : Identify Accident and Hazard

Accident	Description
A-1	Two or more vehicles collide
A-2	Vehicle collides with non-fixed obstacle
A-3	Vehicle crashes into terrain
A-4	Vehicle occupants injured without vehicle collision

Hazard	Description	Accident
H-1	Vehicle does not maintain safe distance from nearby vehicles	A-1
H-2	Vehicle does not maintain safe distance from terrain and other obstacles	A-2, A-3
H-3	Vehicle occupants exposed to harmful effects and/or health hazards	A-4

STPA : Construct Control structure

✓ Control structure was constructed easily from context diagram



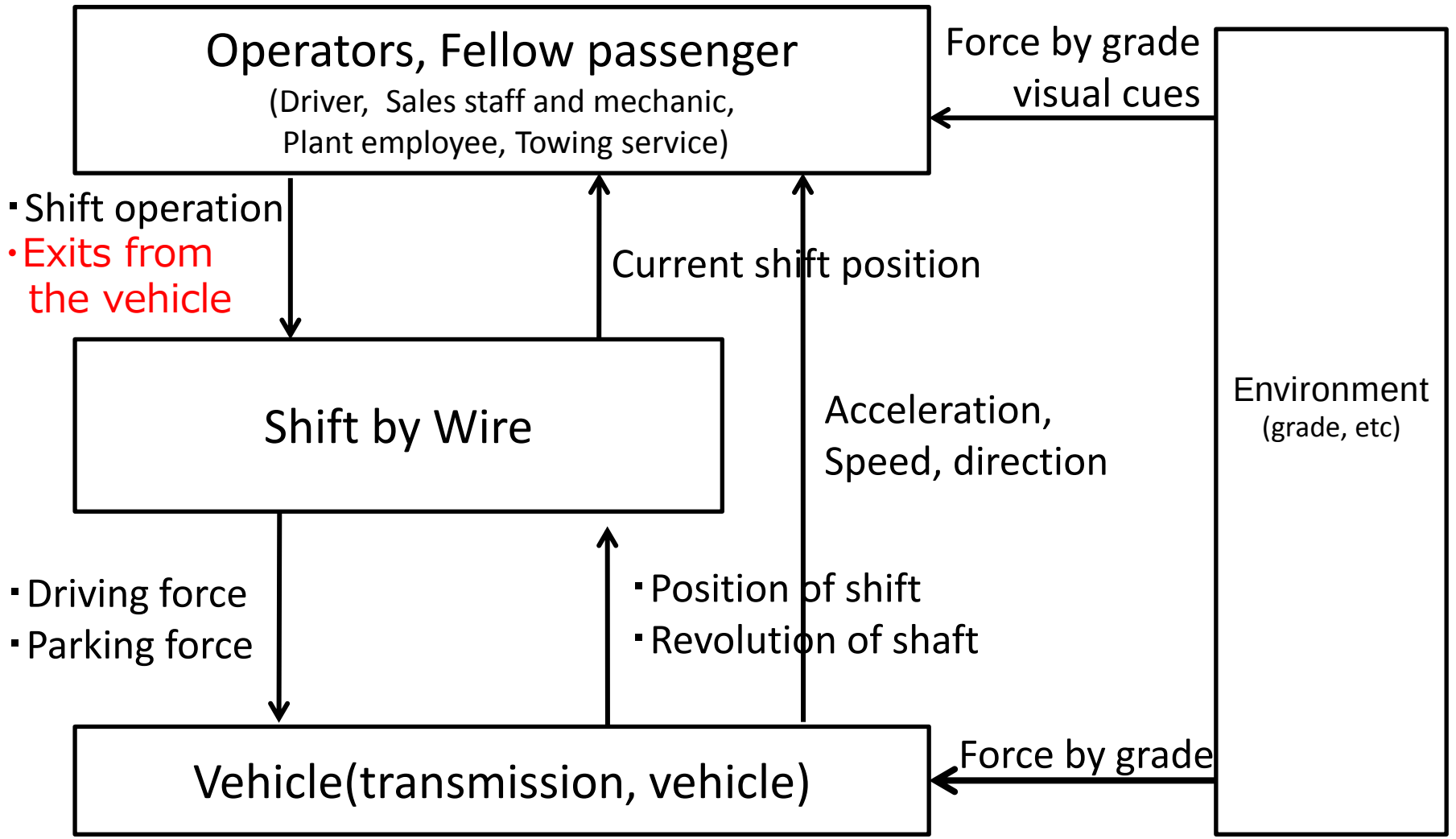
STPA Step1: Identify UCA and Safety Constraint

✓ Safety constrain was extracted as new requirement from step1

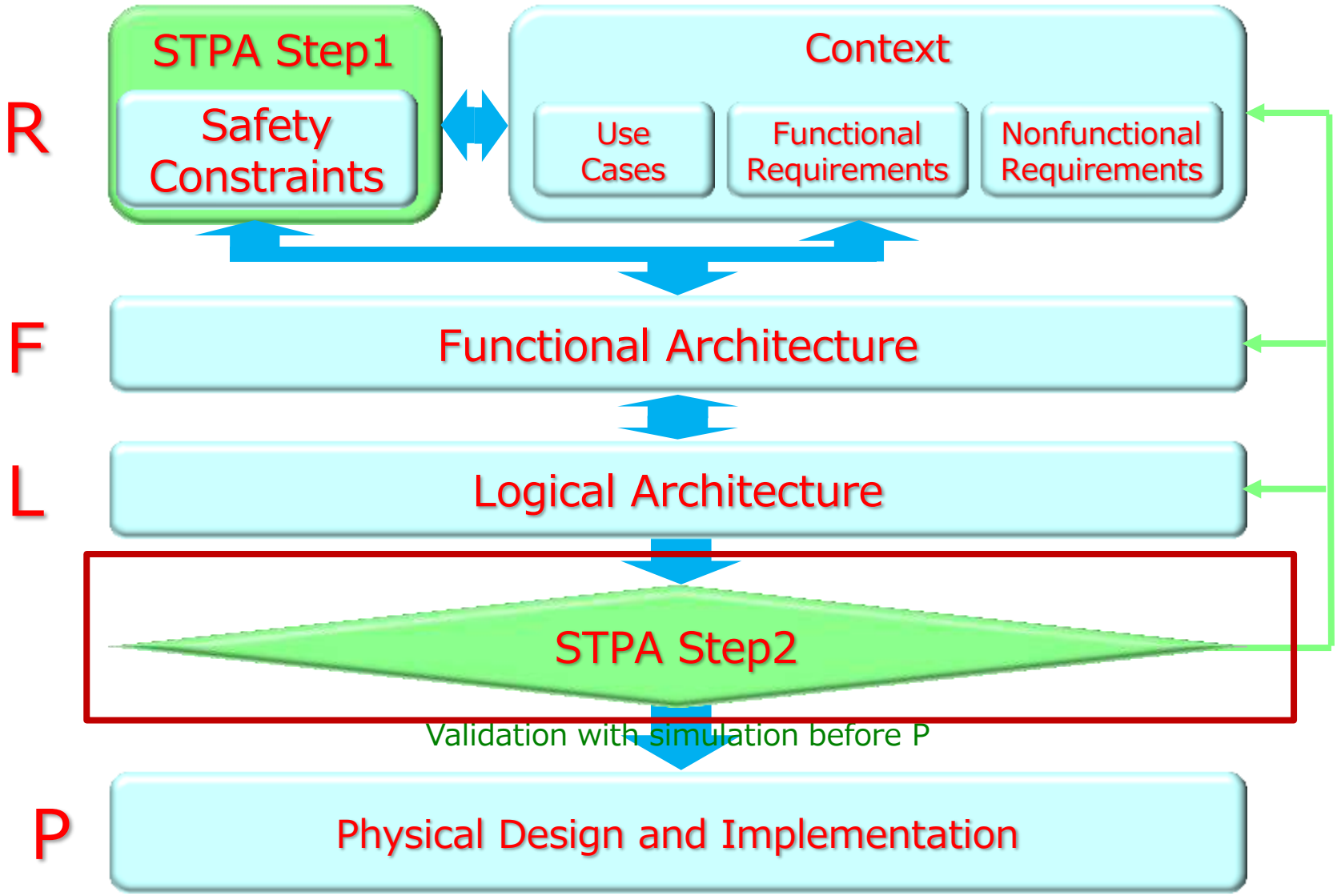
Control Action		Unsafe Control Actions	Safety Constraints
CA1 Provide parking force	Not providing causes hazard	UCA1: SBW doesn't provide parking force when driver leaves the vehicle	**SC1-1: SBW must provide parking force when driver leaves the vehicle**
	Providing causes hazard	UCA2: SBW provide parking force when vehicle is moving (>**km/h)	SC2-1: SBW must provide parking force when vehicle is moving (>**km/h)
	Too early, too late, wrong order	UCA3: SBW provide parking force too late	SC3-1: SBW must provide parking force soon (<**sec) after needed
	Stopped too soon, applied too long	UCA4: SBW stops to provide parking before diver get on the vehicle	SC4-1: SBW stops must provide parking by diver get on the vehicle

STPA Step1: Revise Control Structure

✓ Control structure was revised from safety constraint, therefore step1 was powerful to make "R" substantial.

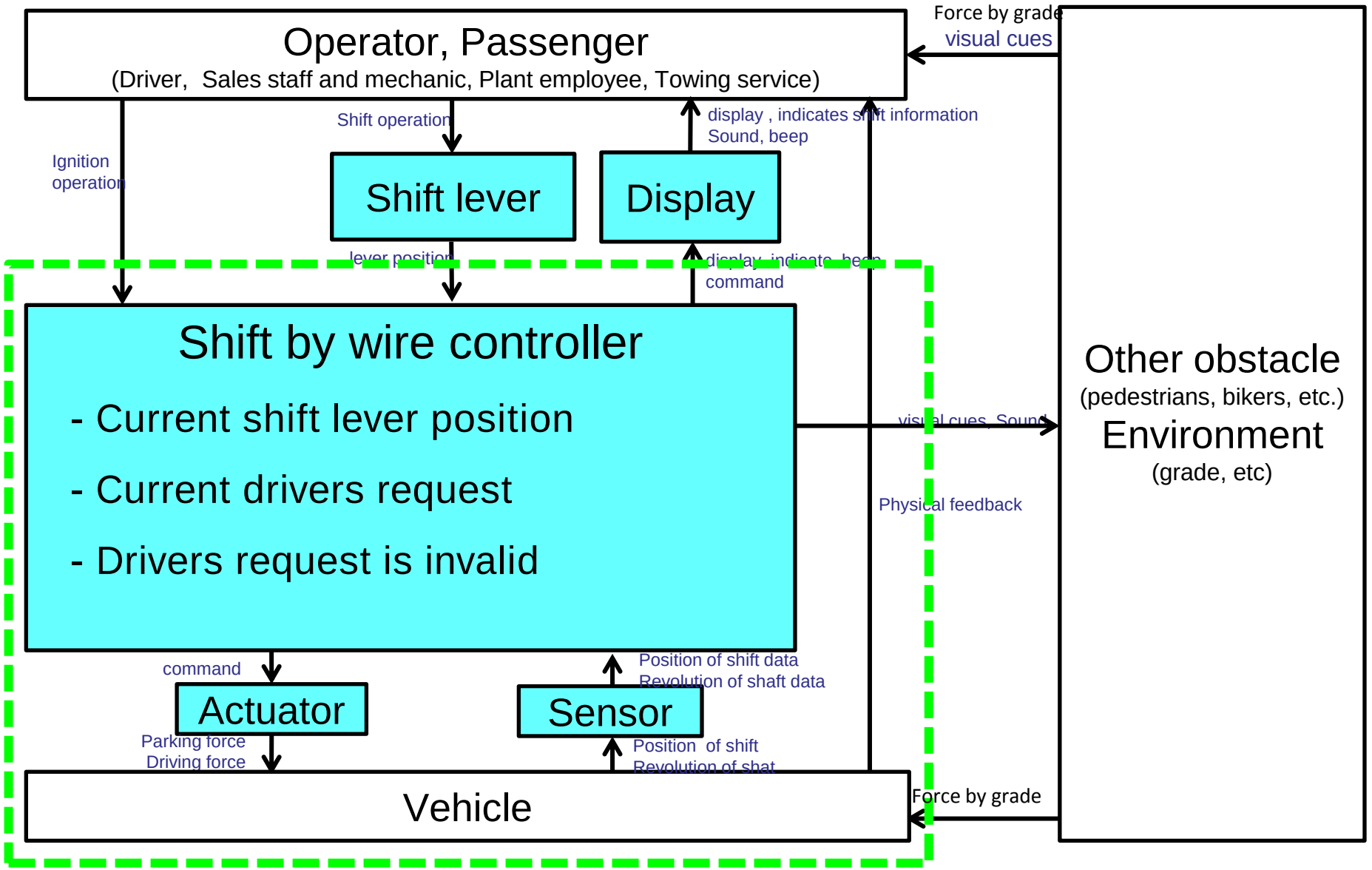


Design “F“ & “L“ in Nissan



STPA step2 : Identify Control Flow

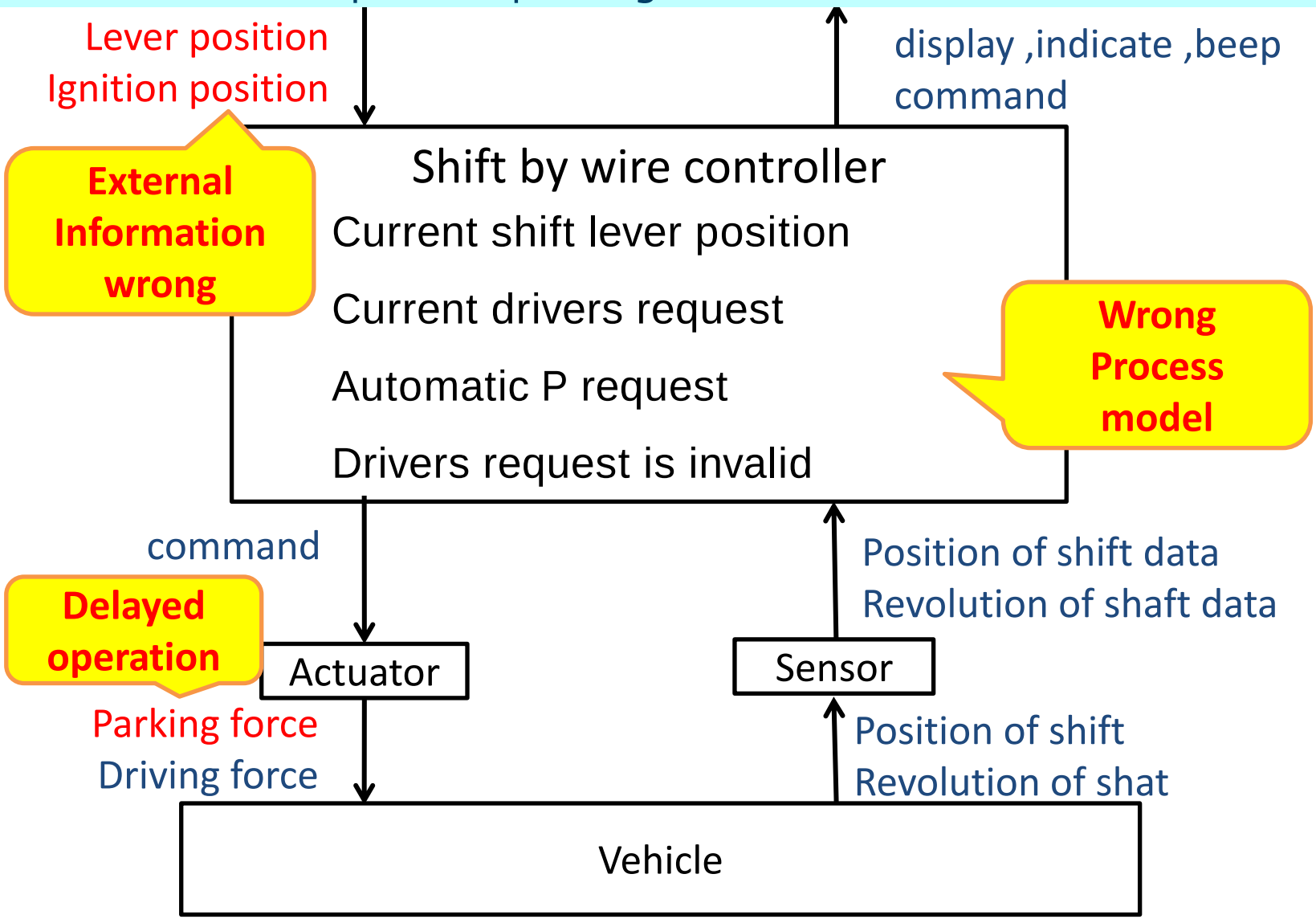
✓ We identified Control flow from Control structure



STPA step2 : Extract Causal Scenario

✓ Extracted causal scenario which violated the safety constraint

SC1-1 : SBW must provide parking force when driver leaves the vehicle



STPA Step2: Identify Causal Factor and Safety Req.

✓ We extracted additional safety requirements from causal factors which were failure and lack of design

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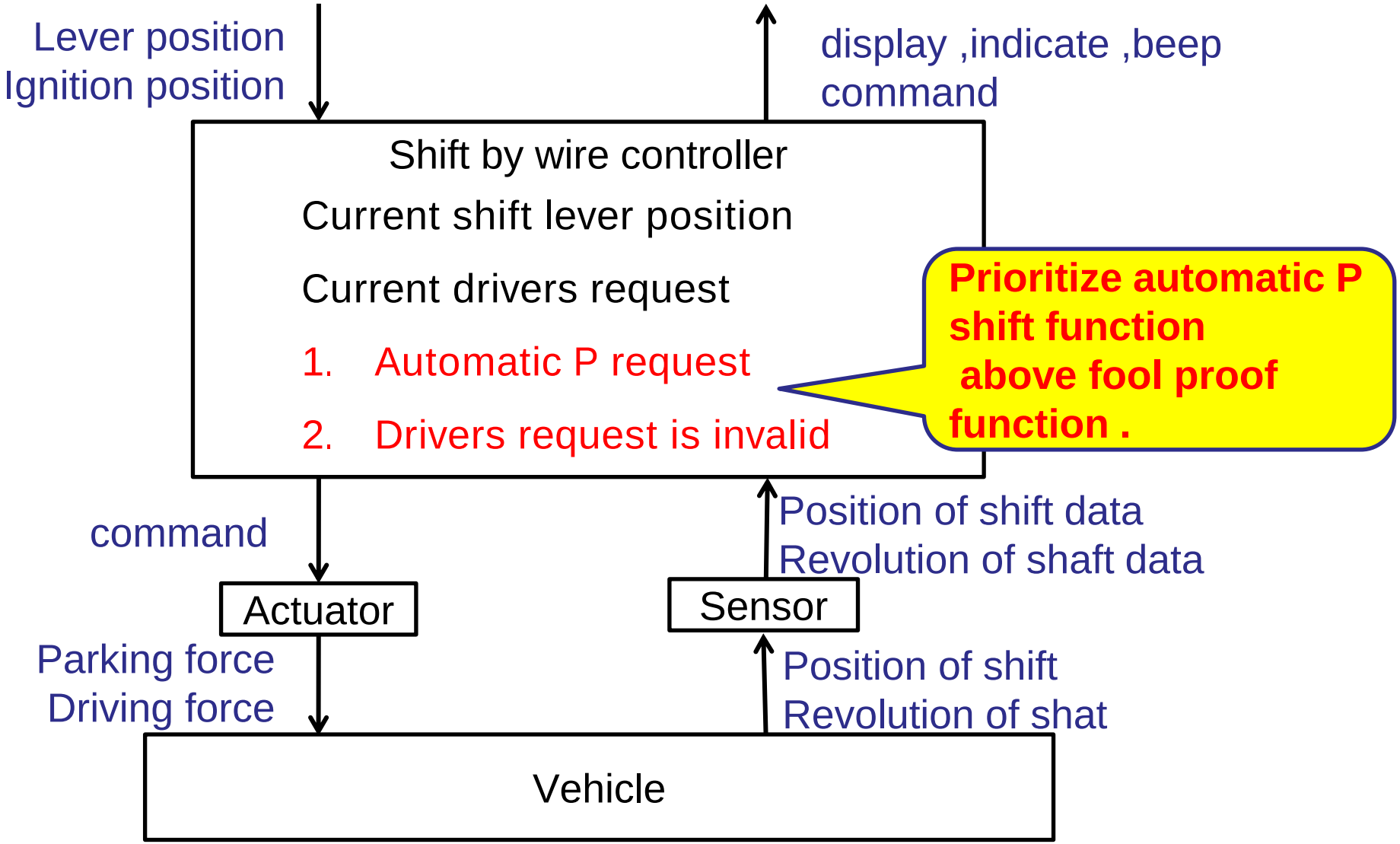
Causal Scenario	Causal Factors	Safety Requirements
[External information wrong] SBW controller believes door not open, therefore shift by wire assume driver is in the vehicle.	**[Failure]** Door position switch is failed	[Shift controller] detect (switch failure or CAN interface stacked) deliver warning message "Use parking brake" within ** sec
	[Failure] CAN interface of door position is stacked	
[Wrong process model] SBW controller reject driver's P shift request.	**[Lack of logical design]** automatic P shift function is invalid by fool proof function, in case if driver operate ignition off while vehicle speed is higher than **km/h	[Shift controller] Prioritize automatic P shift function above fool proof function .
[Delayed operation] Driver make P shift operation. But vehicle speed is increased by slope, parking gear is not engaged by ratcheting behavior	**[Lack of functional design]** Actuator operate too slow by low battery voltage.	[Shift controller] deliver warning message "Use parking brake" within ** sec

STPA step2 : Revise Control Flow

✓ Control flow was revised by new requirements, therefore step2 was powerful to check and close design



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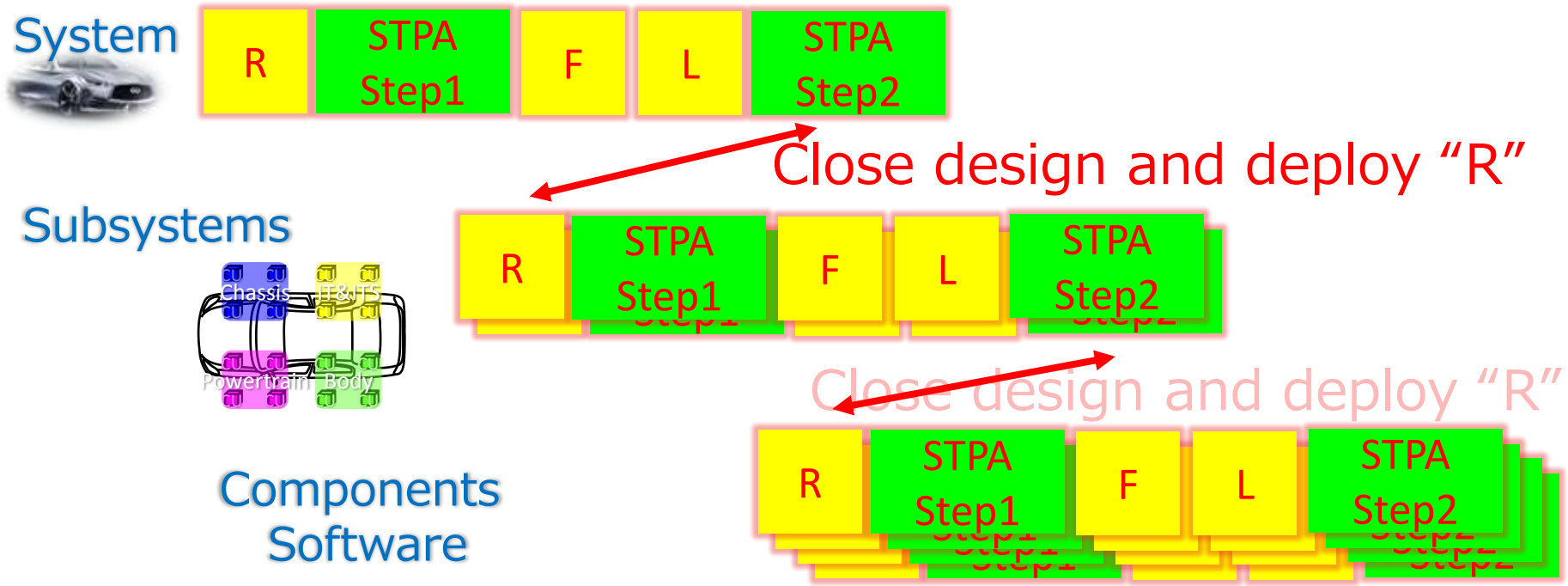

Thank you

- ✓ For future work, we will study

  -Advanced STPA and tools
  -Human factors issues

- ✓ Technical information exchange is welcome.

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Appendix

Words definition

- ✓ The words are defined by Engineering a Safer World.

  - Reliability
  - Safety
  - Accidents
  - Hazards
  - Unsafe Control Action
  - Causal Scenario
  - Causal Factor
  - Safety Requirement