

# Electronic Braking Systems

Technology delivering safety and productivity benefits

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# Areas of technology

## Safety

- Electronic stability control
- Rollover warning/protection system
- Lane -change warning

## Productivity

- Vehicle tracking and monitoring
- On-board weigh-in-motion
- Electronic vehicle logbooks

## Environment

- Engine and drivetrain efficiency
- Alternative fuels
- Low rolling resistance tyres

# Electronic Braking (ABS, ESC, EBS, AEBS)

- Electronic stability control (ESC)
- Mandatory for new passenger cars sold in Victoria
- Available on both European and US makes of prime mover
- Monitors data and intervenes if a path deviation is detected
- Brakes individual wheels
- Can also prevent rollover, which is of critical importance to heavy vehicles (RSP)

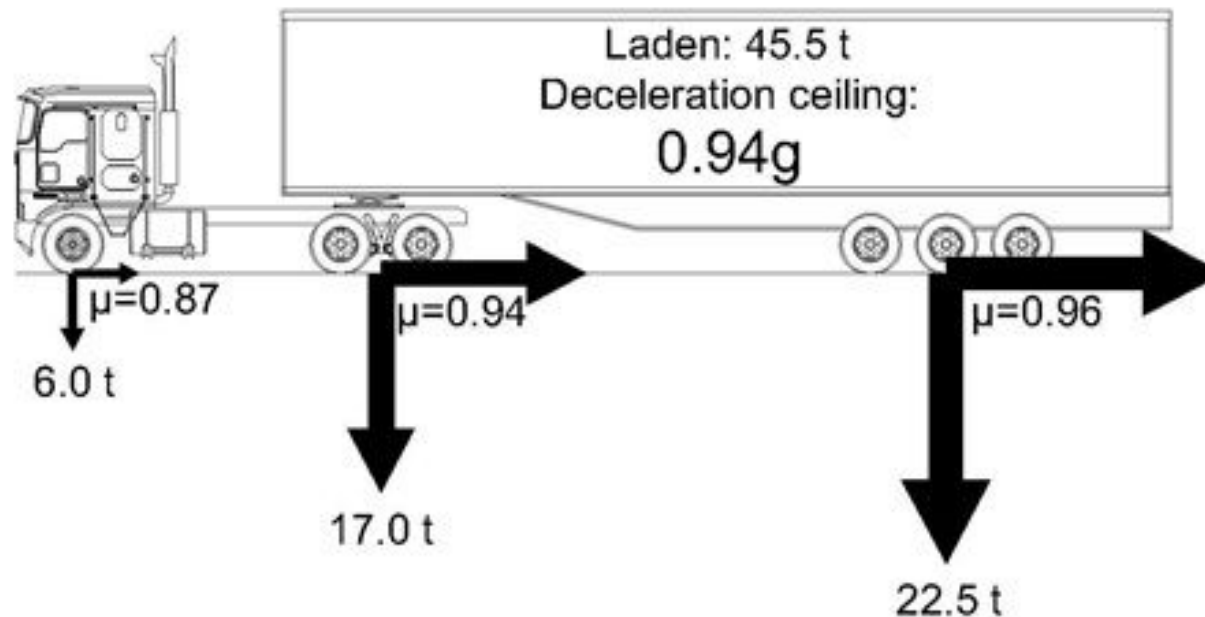


## Safety – electronic braking

- Anti-lock braking systems (ABS)
- Prevent wheel-lock, maintain directional stability
- Mixed views in Australia – concerns regarding operation on loose surfaces, unreliability in off-road conditions
- Mandated in several countries, not in Australia due to concerns regarding interoperability
- Nevertheless, most new trucks are fitted with ABS

# Electronic brake-force distribution (EBD)

- Optimises braking force for wheels with different load
- Maximises the braking force for shortest stopping distance



# Measuring performance



# System efficiency and compatibility

Under-braked axles greatly reduced system efficiency as all tyres are either below or above the optimum slip, both of which provide reduced braking force.



# Advanced braking (AEBS)

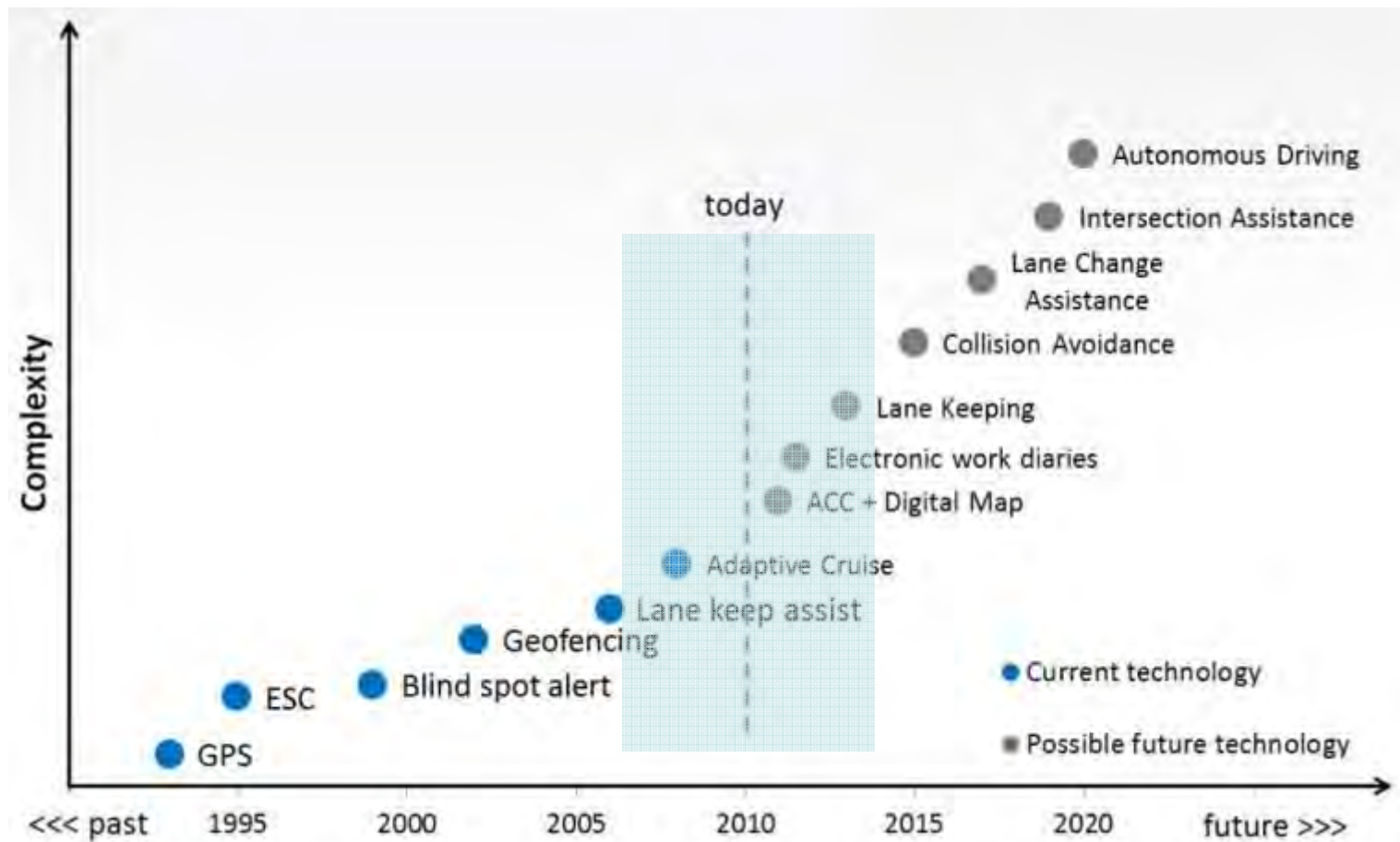
- Various driver assistance systems available:
  - Automated braking , adaptive cruise control.
  - Vehicle to Vehicle (V2V)
  - Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I).....and V2X.



Source: Continental (2012)



# Technology path



# ARRB testing projects

- National road train test 2004
- Quantified dynamics and braking performance



# ARRB testing projects

- Austroads 2010
- Sight distance requirements for HPFVs at railway crossings



# EBS testing Stage 1



- Varying load distribution
- Varying brake force distribution



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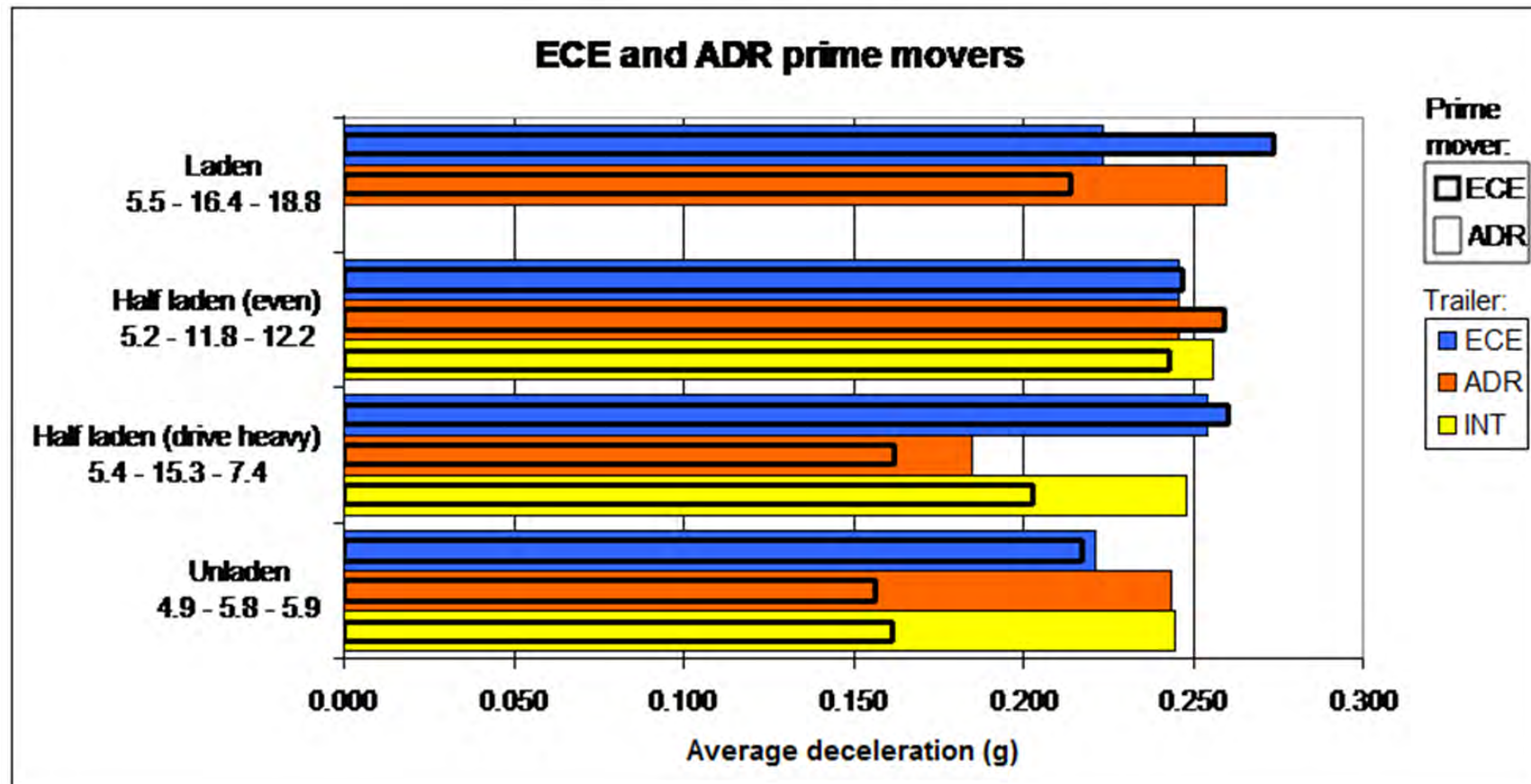
- Braking during a tight radius turn



# EBS testing Stage 1



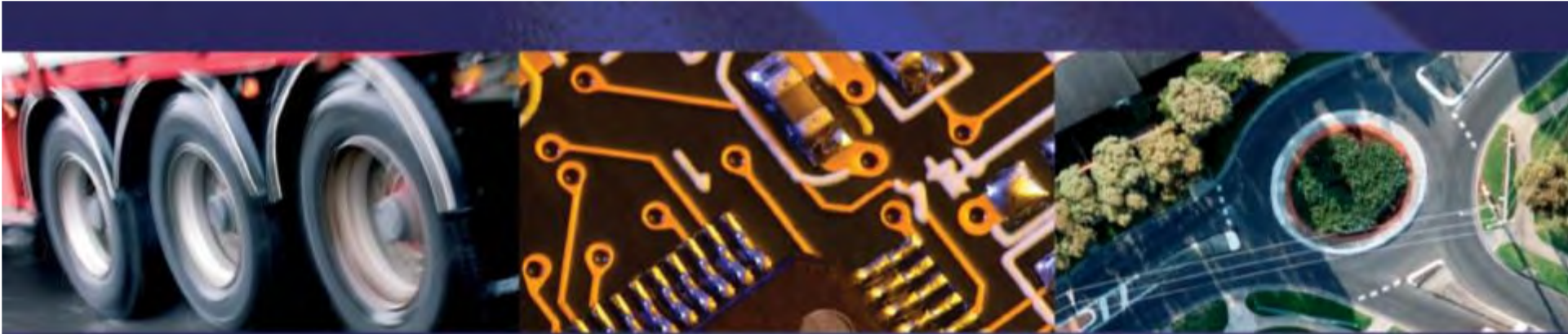
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- Quantified effects of brake force distribution on braking performance in a curve
  - Approximately equivalent performance between options for laden, half-laden and drive heavy load conditions
  - ECE prime mover set up with Australian trailer set-up produced lowest deceleration results
- Findings to be included in ARTSA Brake Code of Practice
  - providing practical advice on how to improve braking performance
- Stage 2 testing to evaluate effects of varying EBS set up between truck and trailers





# EBS Testing

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# Aim

To test the stability of a semi-trailer with the following vehicle and trailer EBS set-ups: ESC and RSP functionality



# Vehicle and trailer EBS set-ups

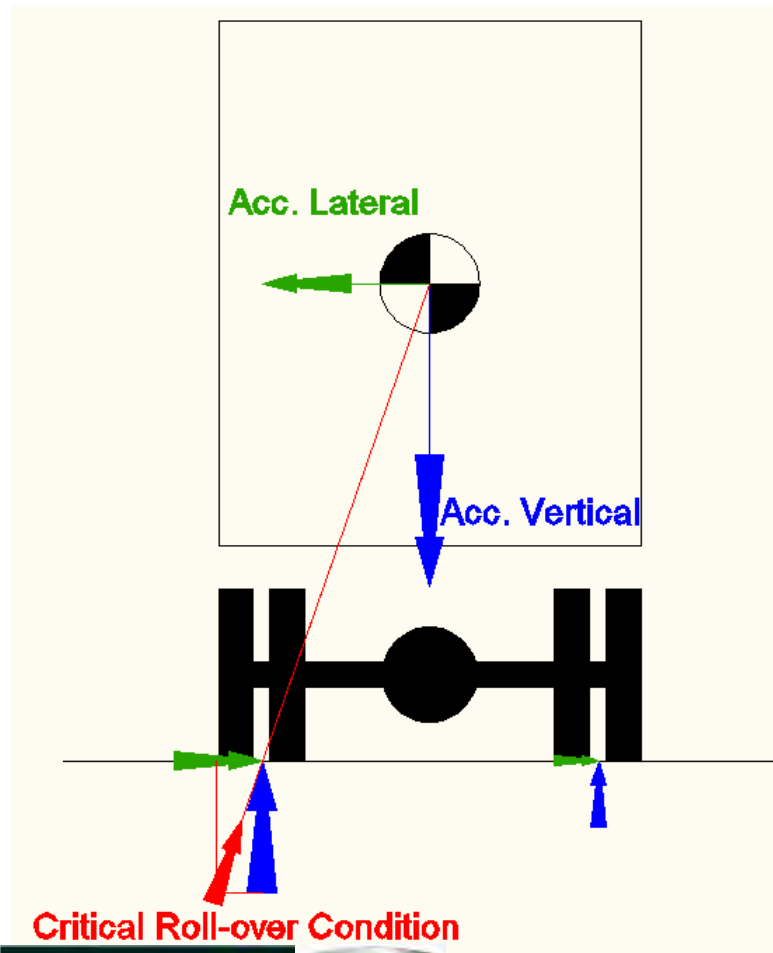
To test the stability of a semi-trailer with the following EBS configurations:



Configuration	Prime mover EBS	Trailer EBS
1	Enabled	Enabled
2	Enabled	Disabled
3	Disabled	Enabled
4	Disabled	Disabled

# RSP System

# J- Turn Test

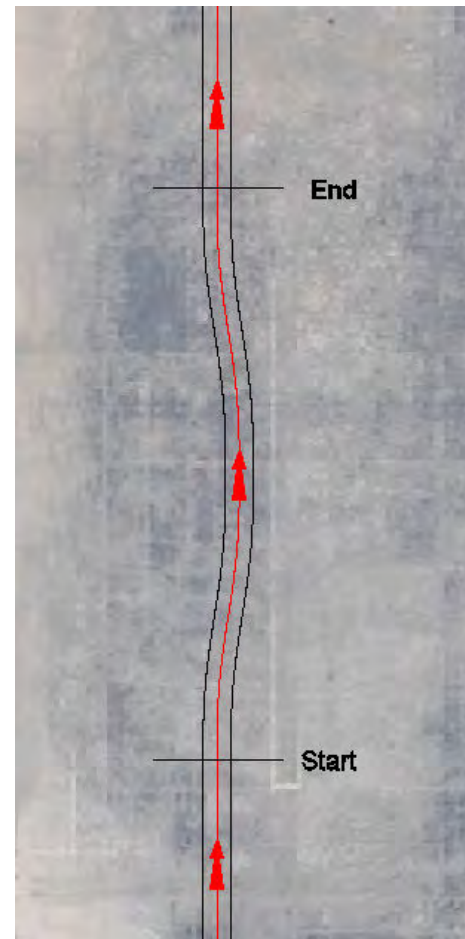
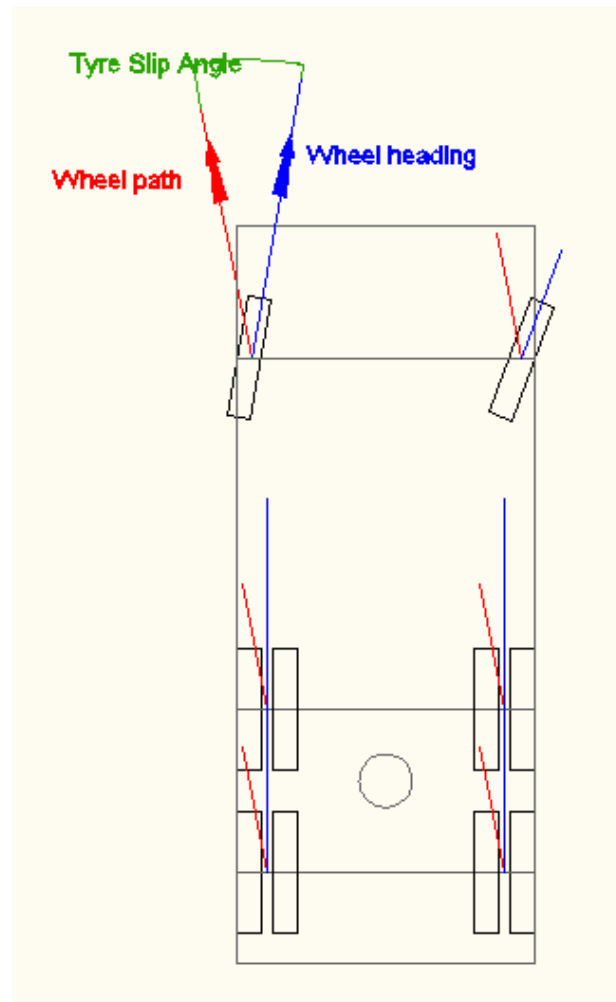


## J- turn

- Operates within friction limits (vehicle rolls)
- Used for RSP
- Dry conditions

# ESC System

# Double- Lane Change



## Double Lane Change

- Operates outside friction limits (vehicle slides)
- Test used for ESC
- Wet conditions

# Instrumentation

The following parameters were measured:

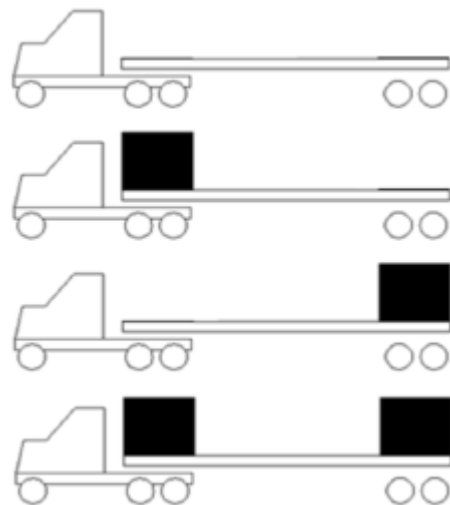
- Speed, position and heading (GPS)
- Lateral acceleration and yaw rate (on both prime mover and trailer)
- Brake pressures for all axle groups
- Steering angle
- Articulation angle
- Brake input



# Instrumentation



# Load configurations

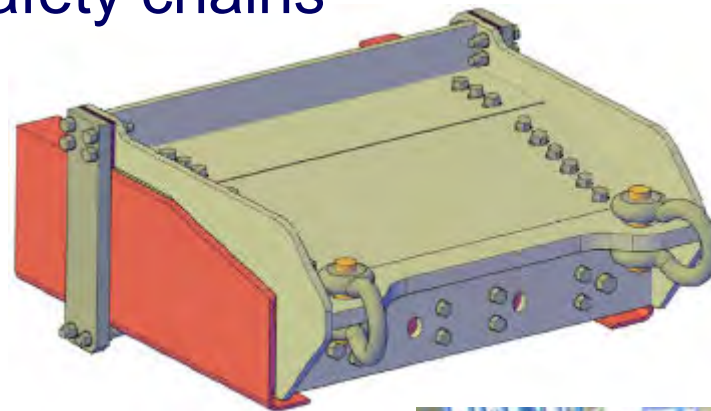


Load configuration	Steer axle	Drive axle group	Trailer Axle group
Unladen	6150	8825	8650
Drive heavy	6250	17350	12050
Trailer heavy	6400	9900	18950
Fully laden	6150	16350	19500



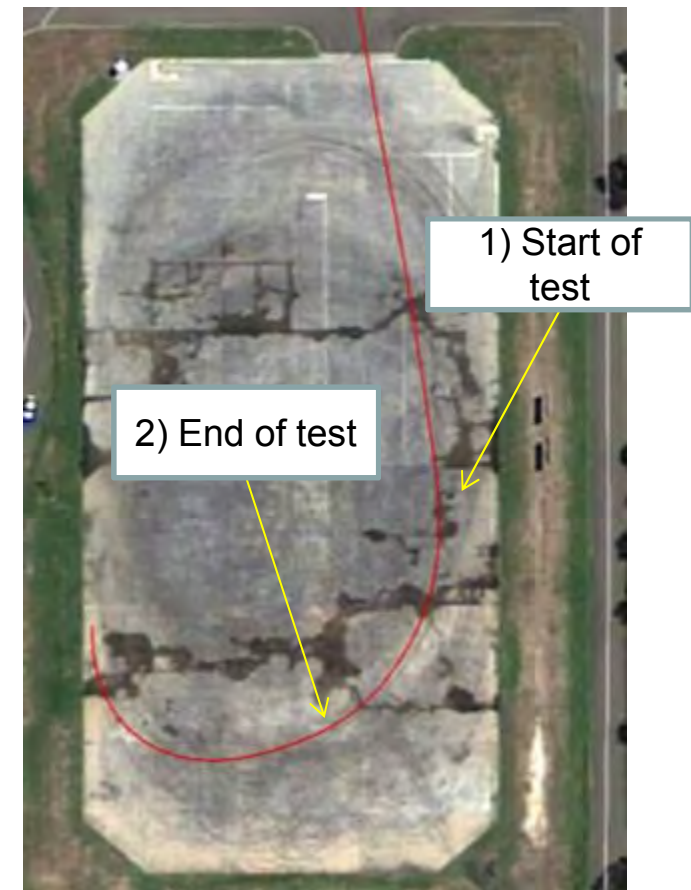
# Safety

## Anti- Jackknife Safety chains



## J- Turn Test (RSP) – 150' Radius (45.7 m)

- Vehicle tries to maintain a constant speed throughout the test (from 1 to 2)
- Test to be conducted in the dry
- The test is considered a fail if the outrigger touches the ground



# J- Turn Rollover

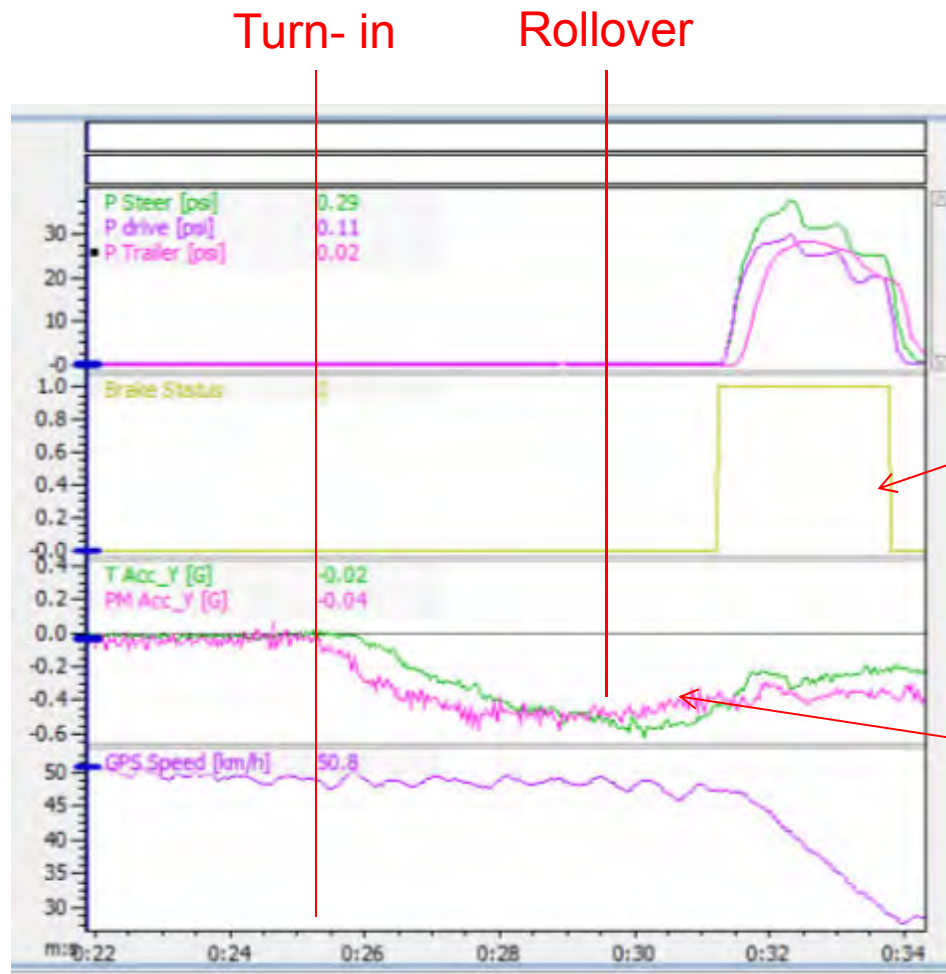


Trailer Axle braking intervention



Clear rollover with no intervention

# J- Turn Rollover- RSP systems Disabled

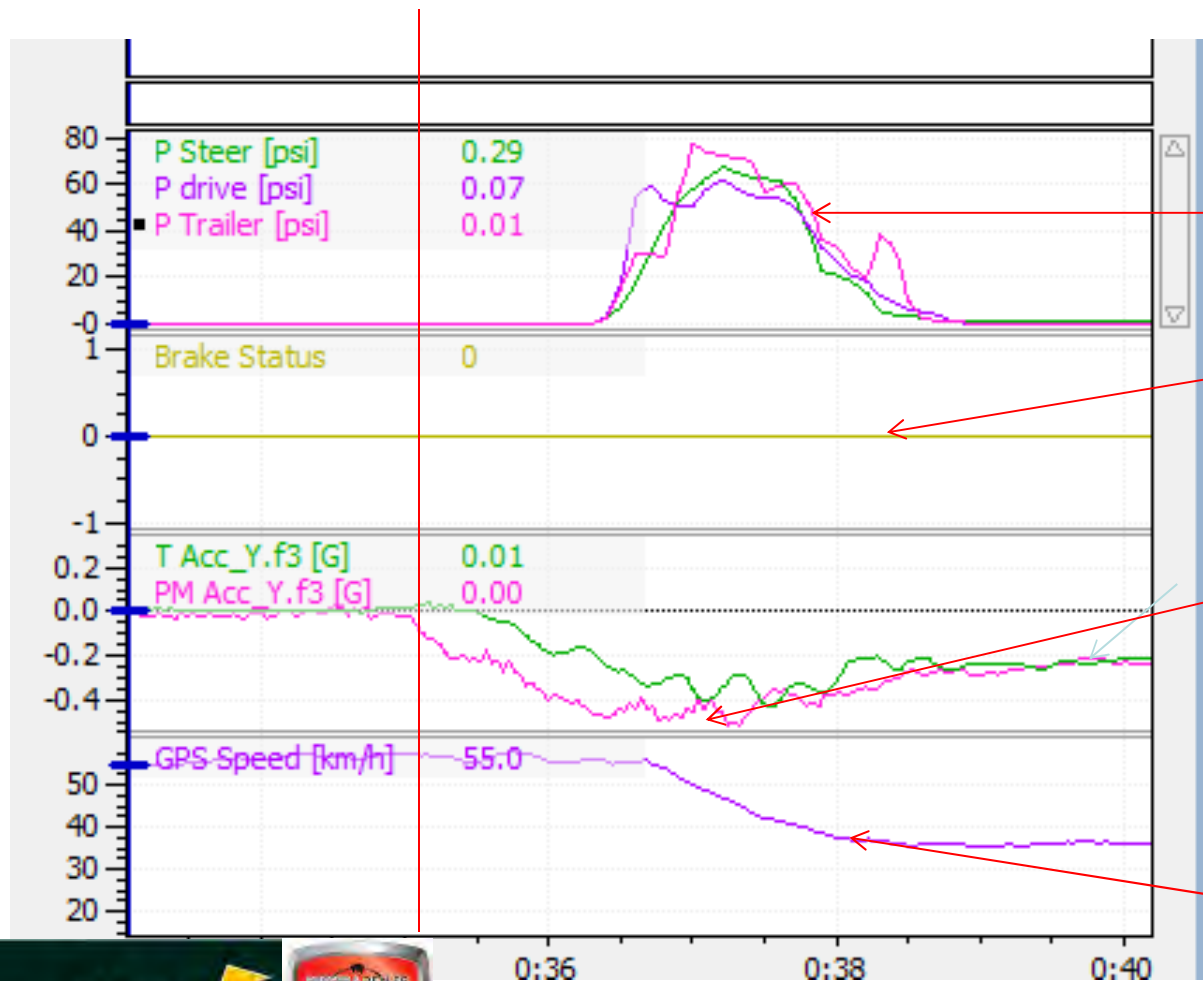


Brake Application

Lateral acceleration of 0.6g

# J- Turn Successful intervention. All systems enabled

Turn- in



Brake are activated by the EBS

(No Driver brake input)

And keeps lateral acceleration below 0.5 g

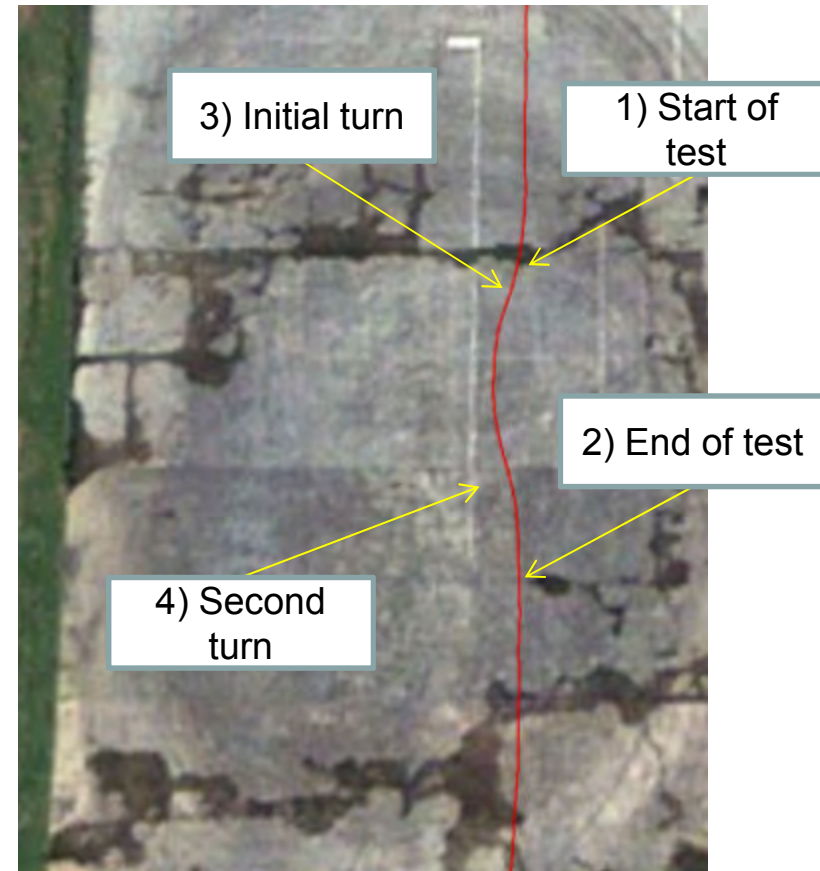
Which reduces vehicle speed

# J-Turn Rollover



# Double Lane Change – ESC Testing

- Vehicle tries to maintain a constant speed throughout the test (from 1 to 2)
- Test conducted on wet surface
- Pass/fail criteria was determined by 'lane excursion'



# Double Lane Change Video



Clear Double Lane Change run



Failure to negotiate the later part of the manoeuvre due to understeer



# Completed tests

The table below shows the number of test runs recorded

	EBS prime mover	EBS trailer	Fully laden	Drive heavy	Drive light	Unladen	Total
J-Turn	Off	Off	4	14	12	0	30
	On	Off	8	9	11	0	28
	Off	On	5	9	12	0	26
	ON	On	7	8	8*	0	15
Double Lane Change	Off	Off	0	6	11	12	29
	On	Off	0	11	16	9	36
	Off	On	0	9	12	11	32
	ON	On	0	9	9	12	30
Total number of runs							226

# Next steps

- Further data analysis
- Testing Different manufacturers
- Testing multi combination vehicles (B-doubles/road trains)
- Test on different surfaces
- Test at higher speeds



# Thanks to

- TMR
- Volvo Group Australia
  - BPW
- Knorr-Bremse
  - Air CTI
- ARTSA



## Knorr-Bremse/Bendix ESP Technology What happens in practice

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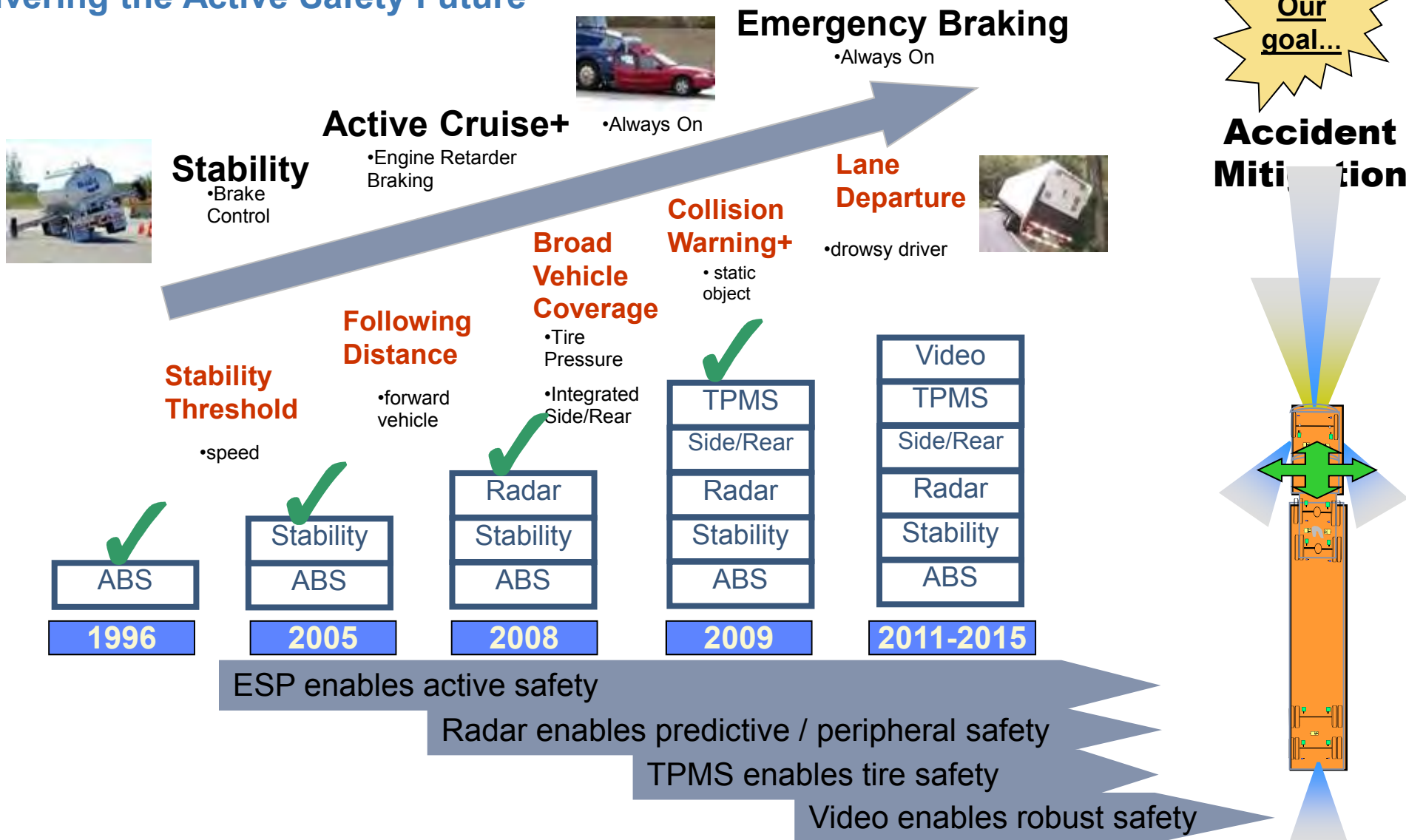


## What are the foundations of an ESP system?

### Knorr-Bremse/Bendix® ESP Technology

- Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) OR Electronic Braking System (EBS)
- Automatic Traction Control (ATC) & SmartATC
- Drag Torque Control (DTC)
- Electronic Stability Program (ESP or ESC)

# Delivering the Active Safety Future



Because trucks keep rolling over...



...and, trucks keep sliding around!





## RSP/ESP testing



## ESP Full Stability – For Tractors, Trucks & Buses

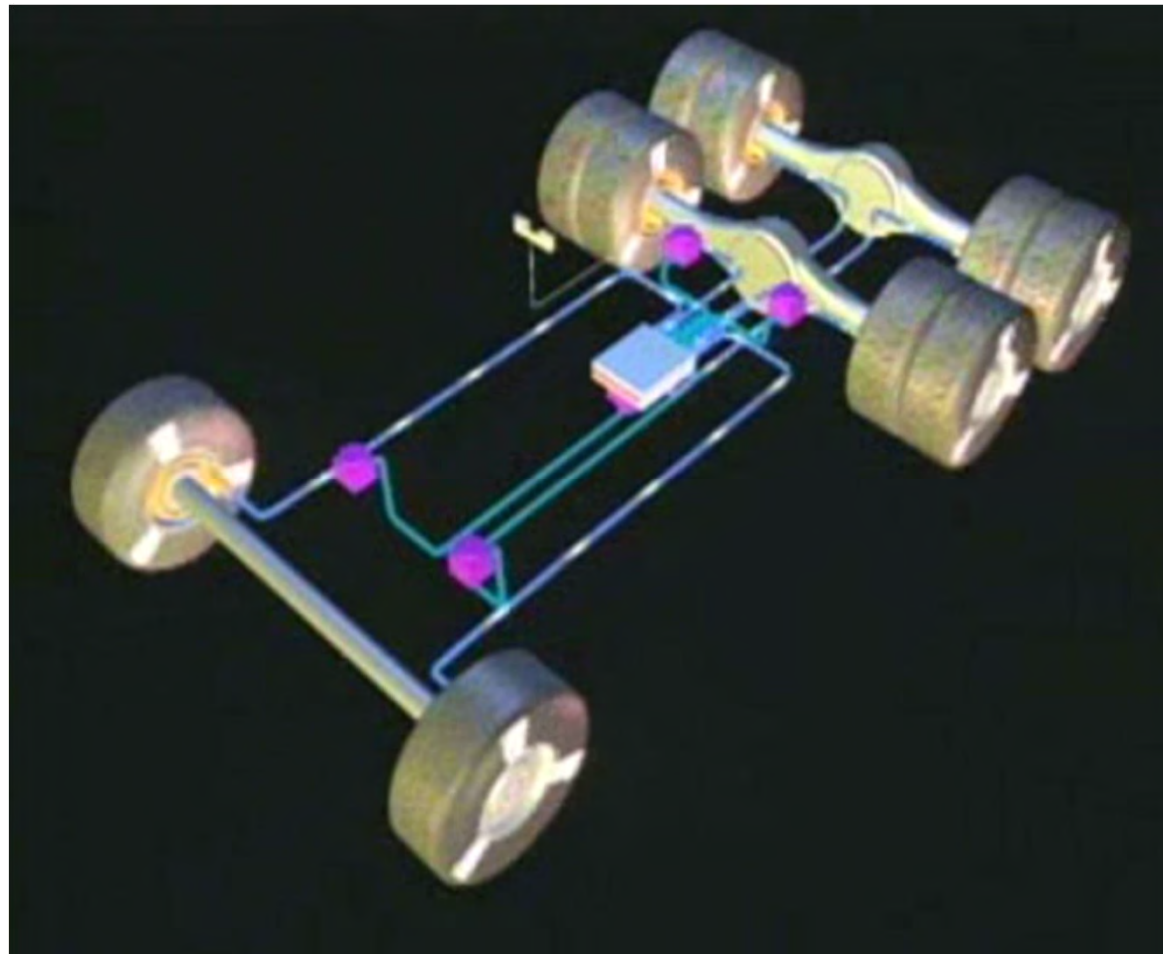


**No Stability = No Control**



**ESP = Full Stability, not just Roll Stability**

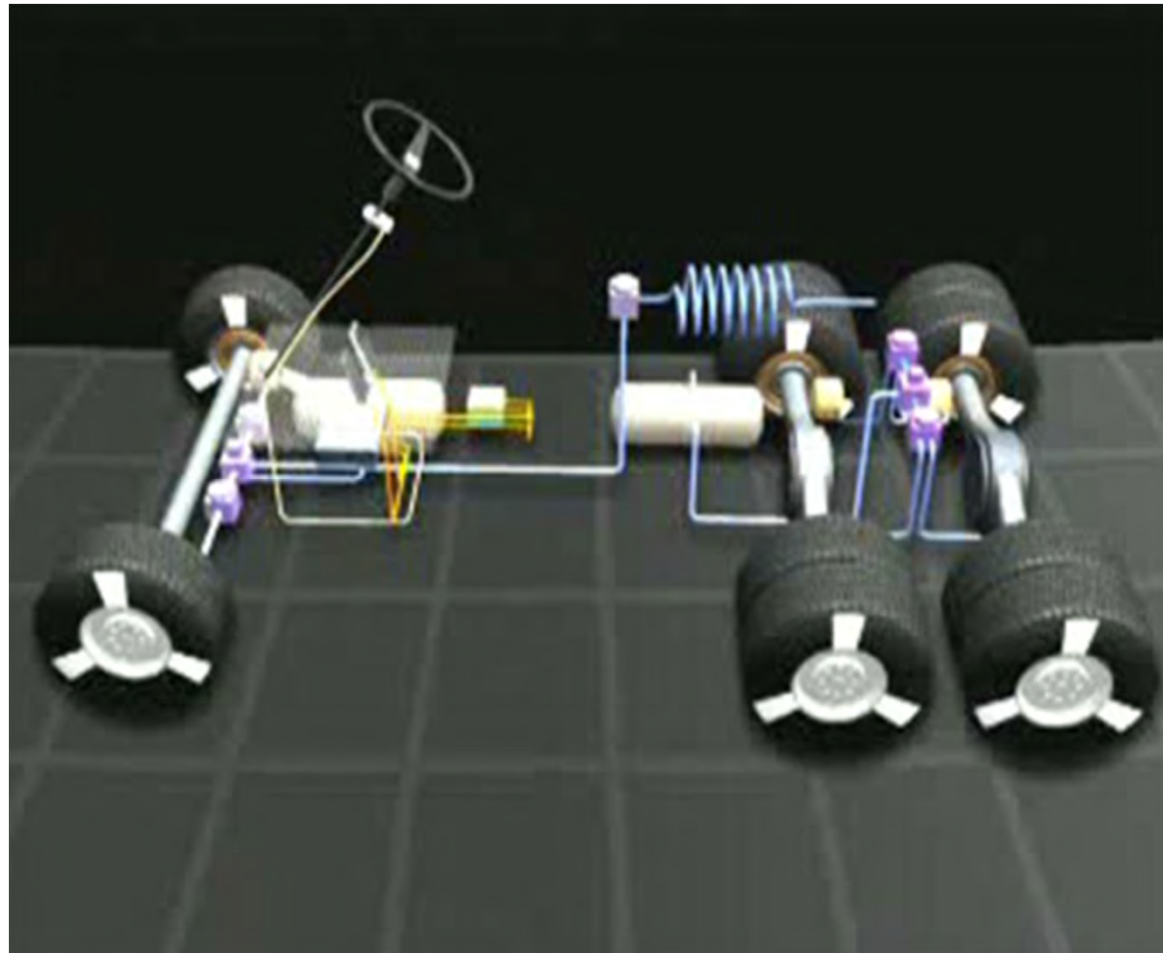
## How it Works - ABS



## How it Works - ATC



## How it Works - ESP



## Good Drivers Still Needed!

### Active Safety Technologies Support Good Driving Practices

- Operators should drive normally / prudently
- Electronics can identify / react to certain situations faster

### Systems can help educate the driver

- Notify the driver - light / brake application / other
- Discourage drivers that push the envelope

### All systems have limits & may not address all situations

- Limits of physics
  - Too fast, too heavy, too tight, too slippery
- Mitigate the outcome of an incident
- Impact with objects / Off road situations



**Active Safety Technologies won't make bad drivers good, but can help good drivers avoid bad situations!**

## Let's Talk About Accidents



Bumper ripped off during RSC testing Feb 2009.

*900' radius, 25 MPH, loss of control – vehicle hit snow bank after loss of control*



### Are they Really “Rollovers”?

- When investigating crash data, we see the rollover is typically SECONDARY
- Loss of control first, then a rollover

### Bendix ESP is designed to keep the vehicle going in the intended direction, on the road

- If it stays on the road, it's much more likely to stay undamaged and shiny side up!
- NHTSA mandated ESC for passenger car based on this philosophy



Thank you very much for your attention

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