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EMERGING SOURCES OF DATA AND METHODS FOR SAFETY ANALYSIS OF PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE FACILITIES

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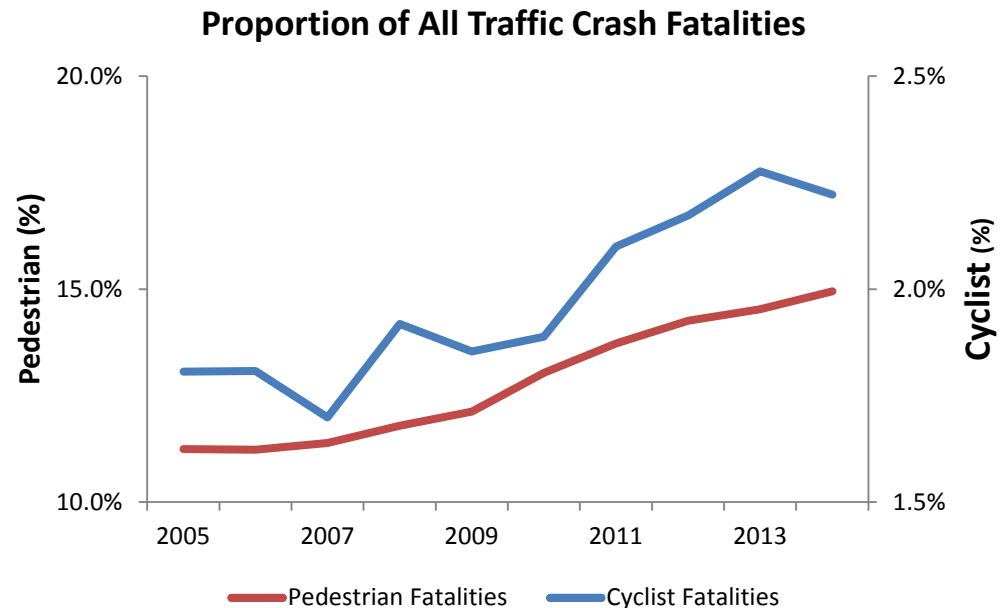
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Why is Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Important?

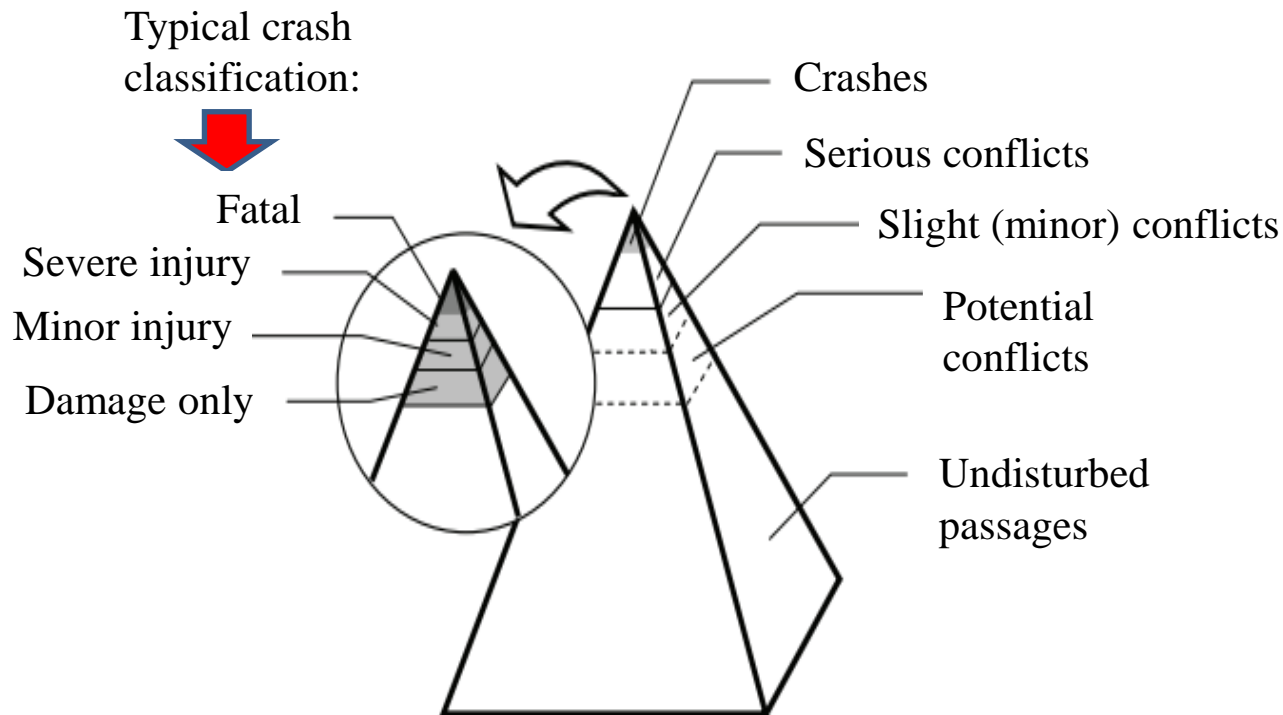
- Total Crash Fatalities (involving motor vehicles) → **33,561** (2014, USA)
 - Decrease of 25% from 2005
- Pedestrian Crash Fatalities → **4,884** and (2014, USA)
 - Unchanged from 2005
- Cyclist Crash Fatalities → **726** (2014, USA)
 - Decrease of 8% from 2005



Source: NHTSA's National Center for Statistics and Analysis, 2014 data

Methods for Road Safety Analysis

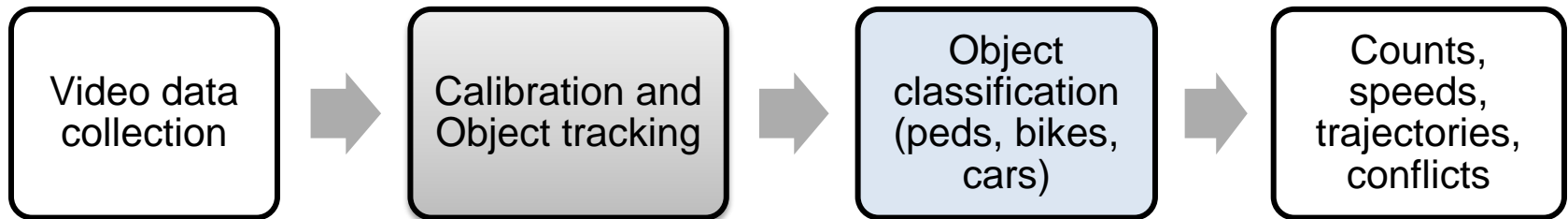
Traditional crash-based vs. Surrogate approach



Hyden's classic pyramid-model (1985)

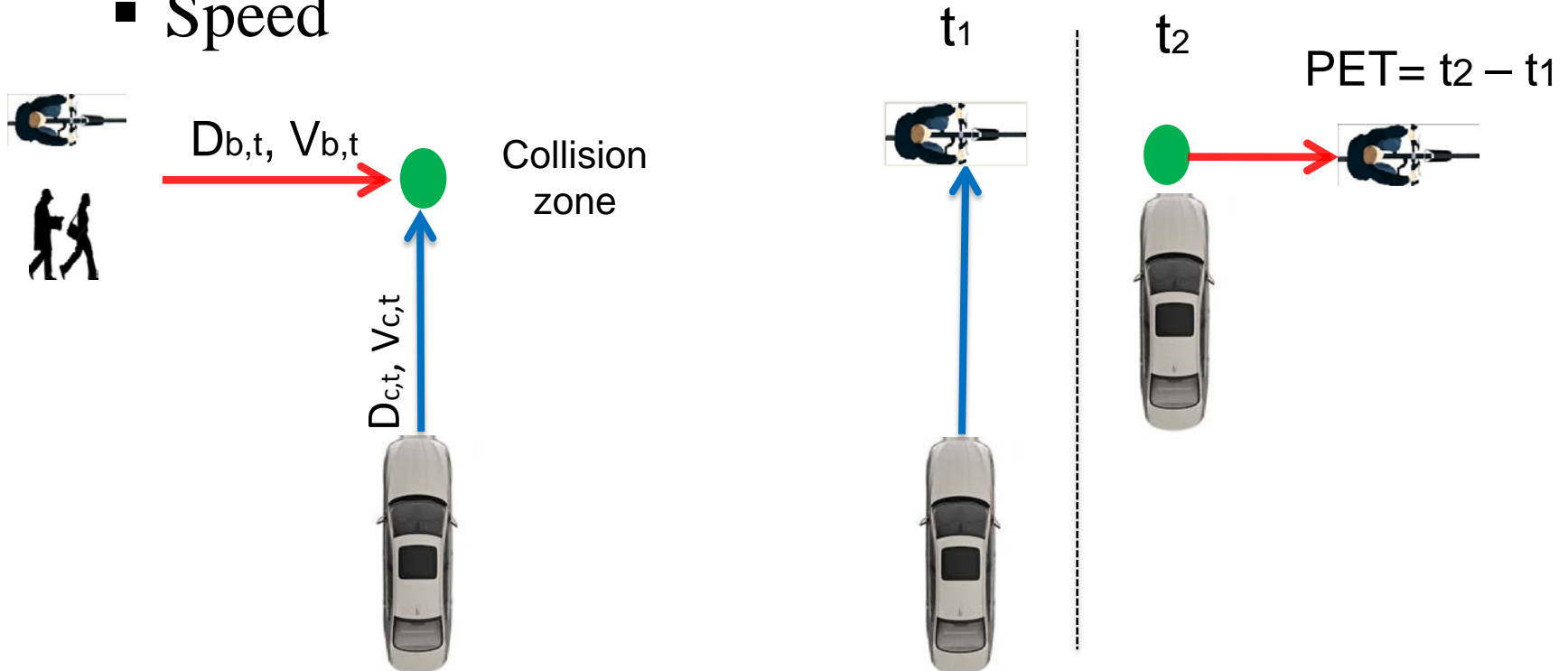
Surrogate (Indirect) Safety Analysis

- Advantages: proactive, short in duration
- Applications: (1) before/after an intervention, (2) crash data unavailable or incomplete
- Four step process:



Typical Surrogate Measures

- Post-encroachment time (PET)
- Time-to-collision (TTC)
- Speed

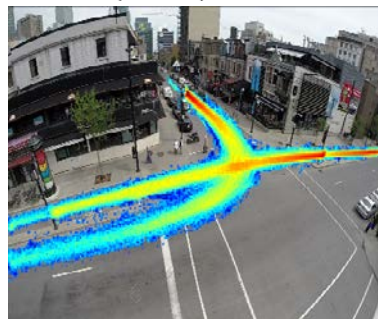
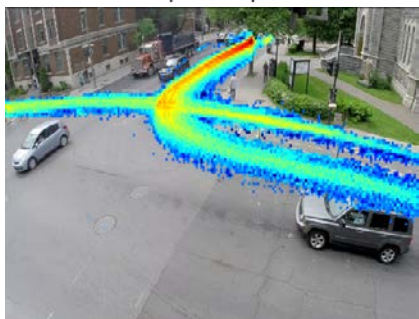
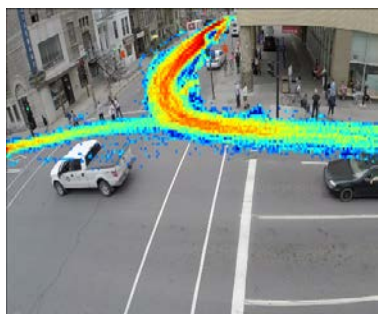
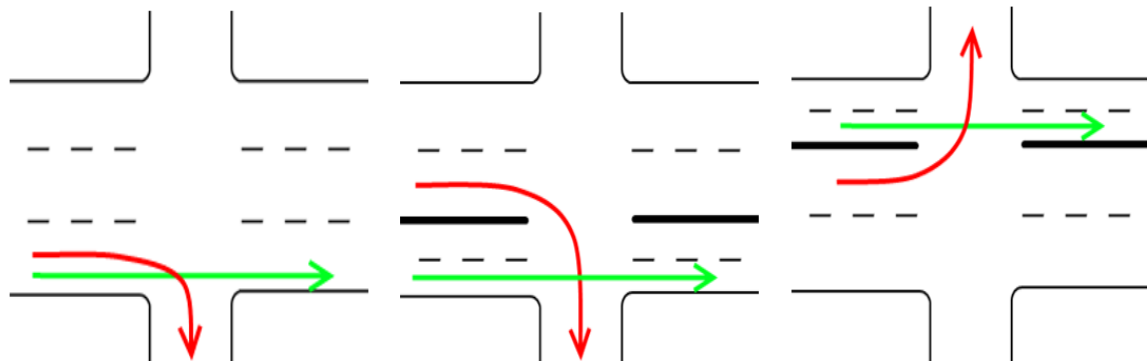


Case Study 1 – Safety of Different Cycling Facilities

Without cycle-track

With cycle-track on
the right

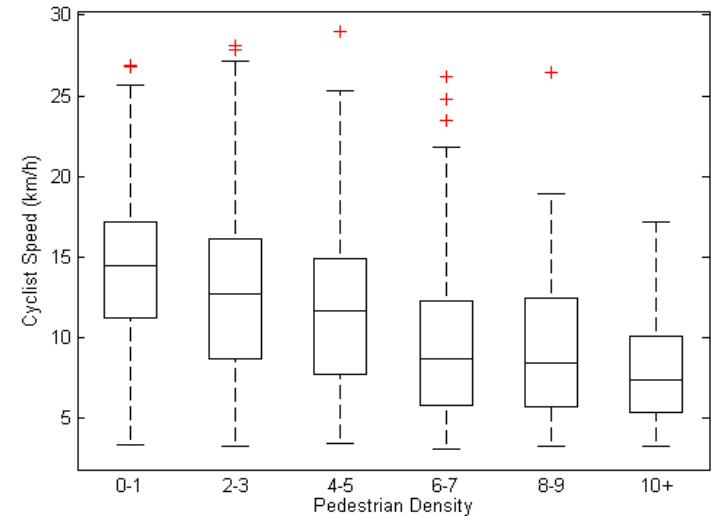
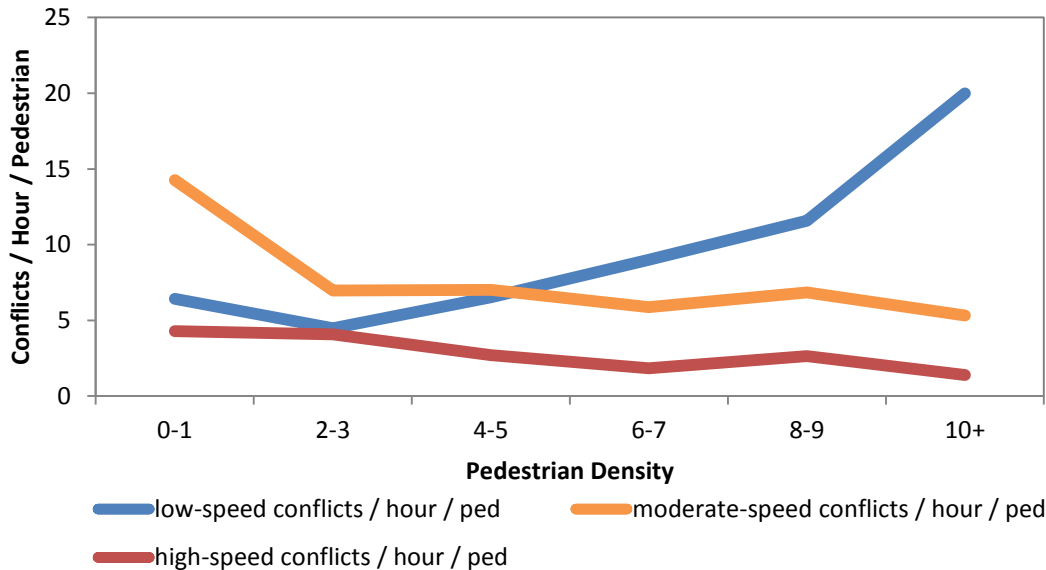
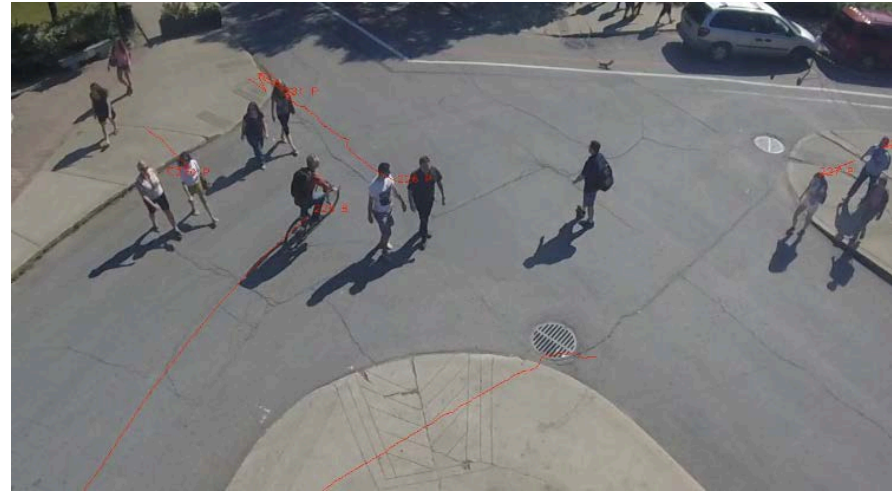
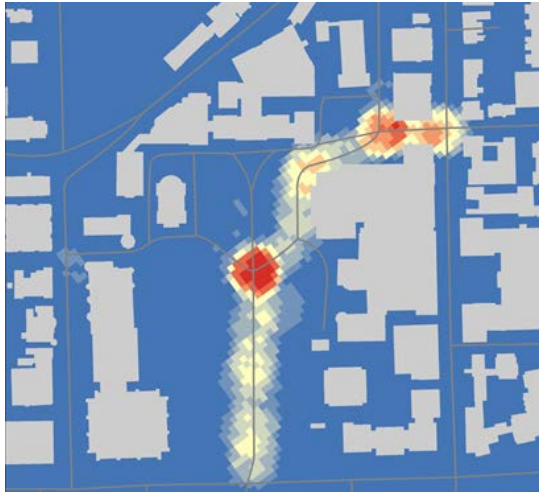
With cycle-track
on the left



- Eight intersections of each type (100 hours)
- Intersections with **cycle tracks are safer** than without cycle tracks
- **Correlation between injury rates and conflict rates** (based on ranks) is 0.65

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Case Study 2: Bicycle-Pedestrian Conflict Analysis



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