

# **A Meta-analysis of CAST Investigations of Accidents Related to Diverse Sociotechnical Systems (STSs)**

**Daniel Hartmann, PhD**

Management & Safety Engineering Unit,  
Ben-Gurion University, Israel

# *Outline*

- ✓ Short Introduction to “my ideas”
- Short Description of Accidents
- Some Preliminary Thoughts and Ideas

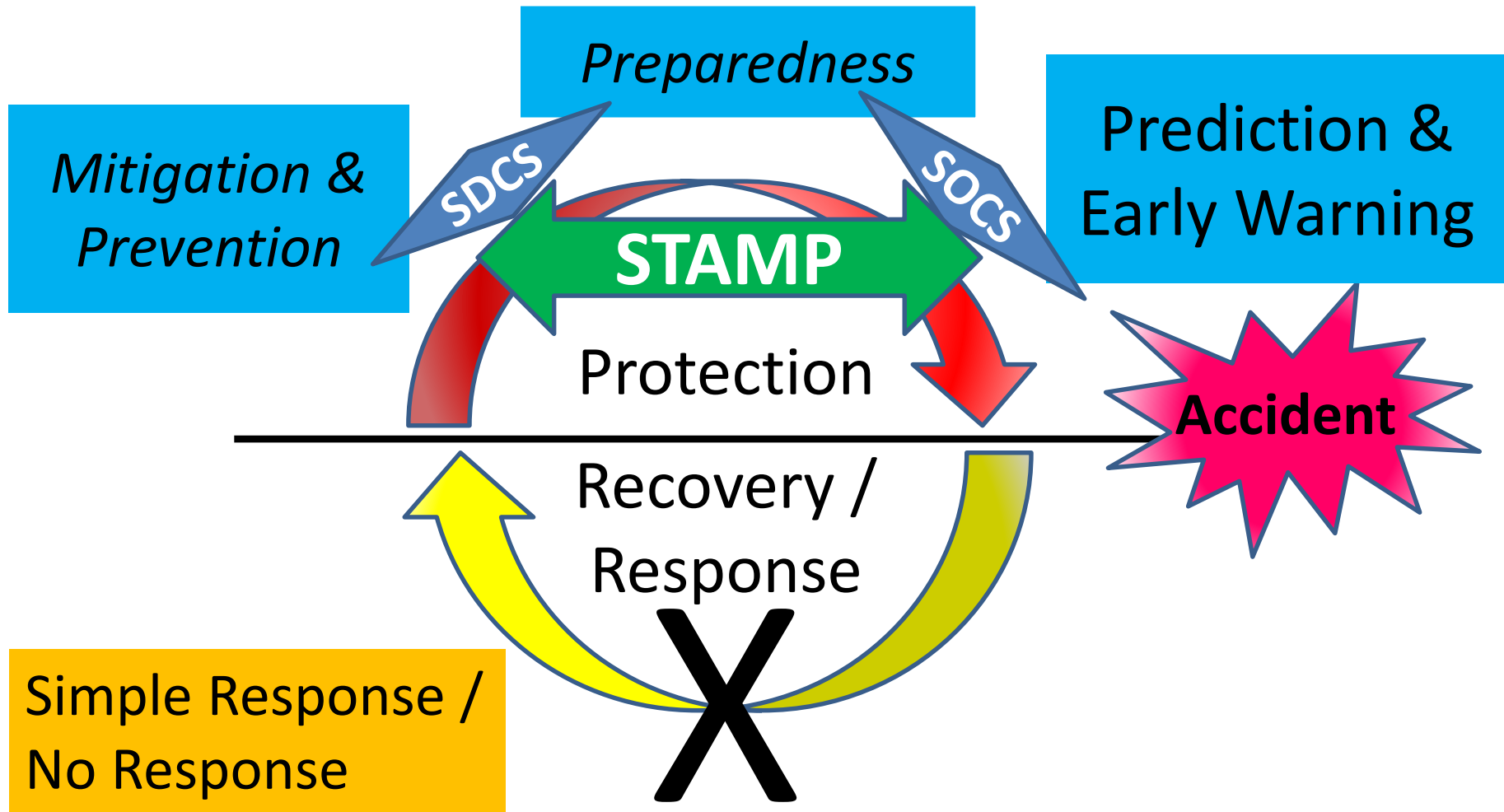
# A very crude and bold Assumption

<b>New Socio-technical Systems</b>	<b>Old, well established Socio-technical Systems</b>
<b>&lt; 0.1 %</b>	<b>&gt;99.9%</b>
<b>STPA needed, but...</b>	<b>STAMP &amp; STPA not wanted as long as...</b>



# Loss Event / Accident Lifecycle

Safety: Hazard & Risk Management



# Disaster / Accident / Loss Event Lifecycle

Safety: Hazard & Risk Management

Preparedness

Mitigation & Prevention

Prediction & Early Warning

SDCS

SOCS

Protection

**STAMP**

Recovery /  
Response

Disaster

Reconstruction

SRCS

Impact  
Assessment

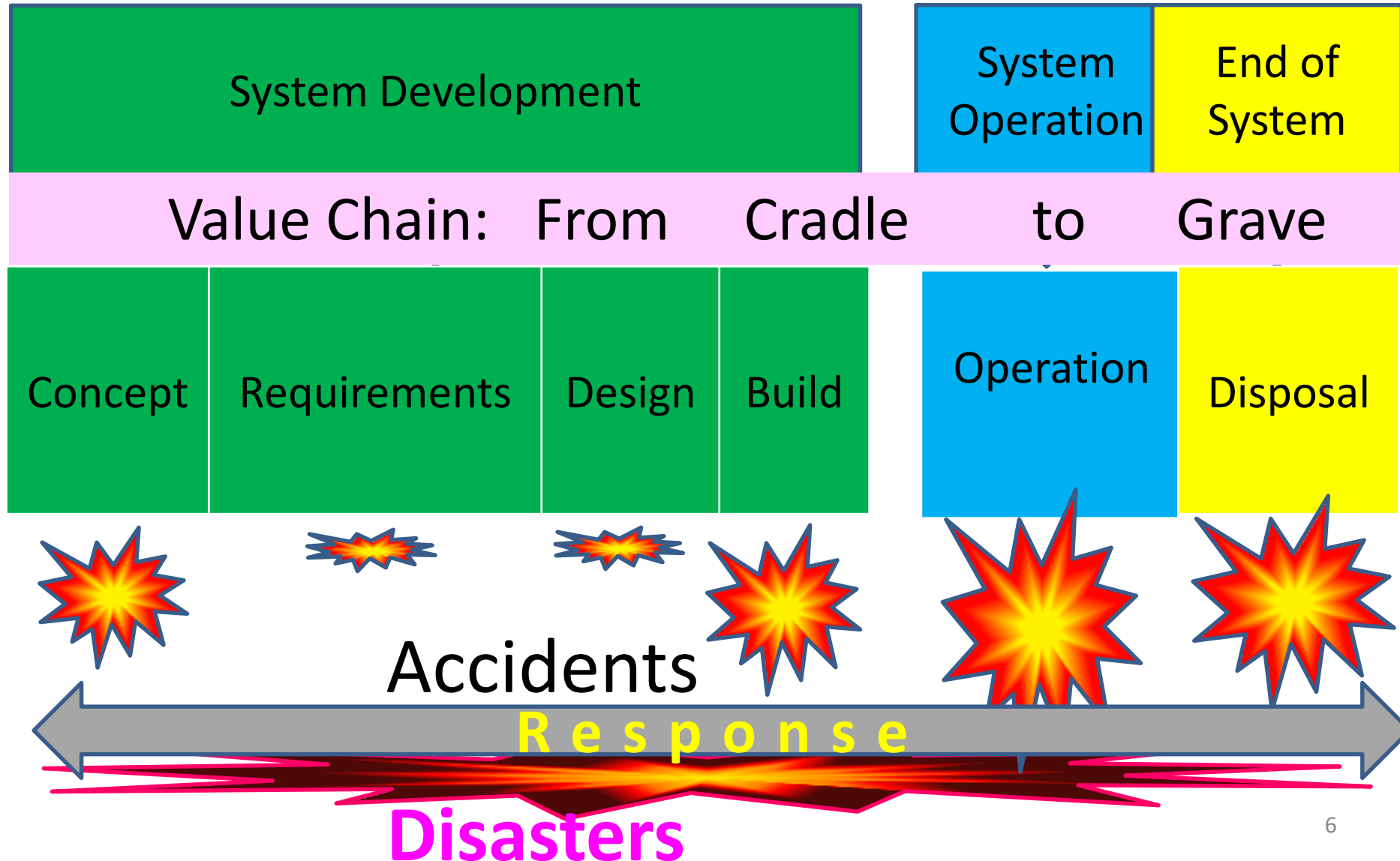
Recovery

Response

Crisis / Response Management

# STAMP, Sociotechnical Systems Lifecycle

## Safety, Accidents & Disasters



# A New view of **Loss Events Classification**

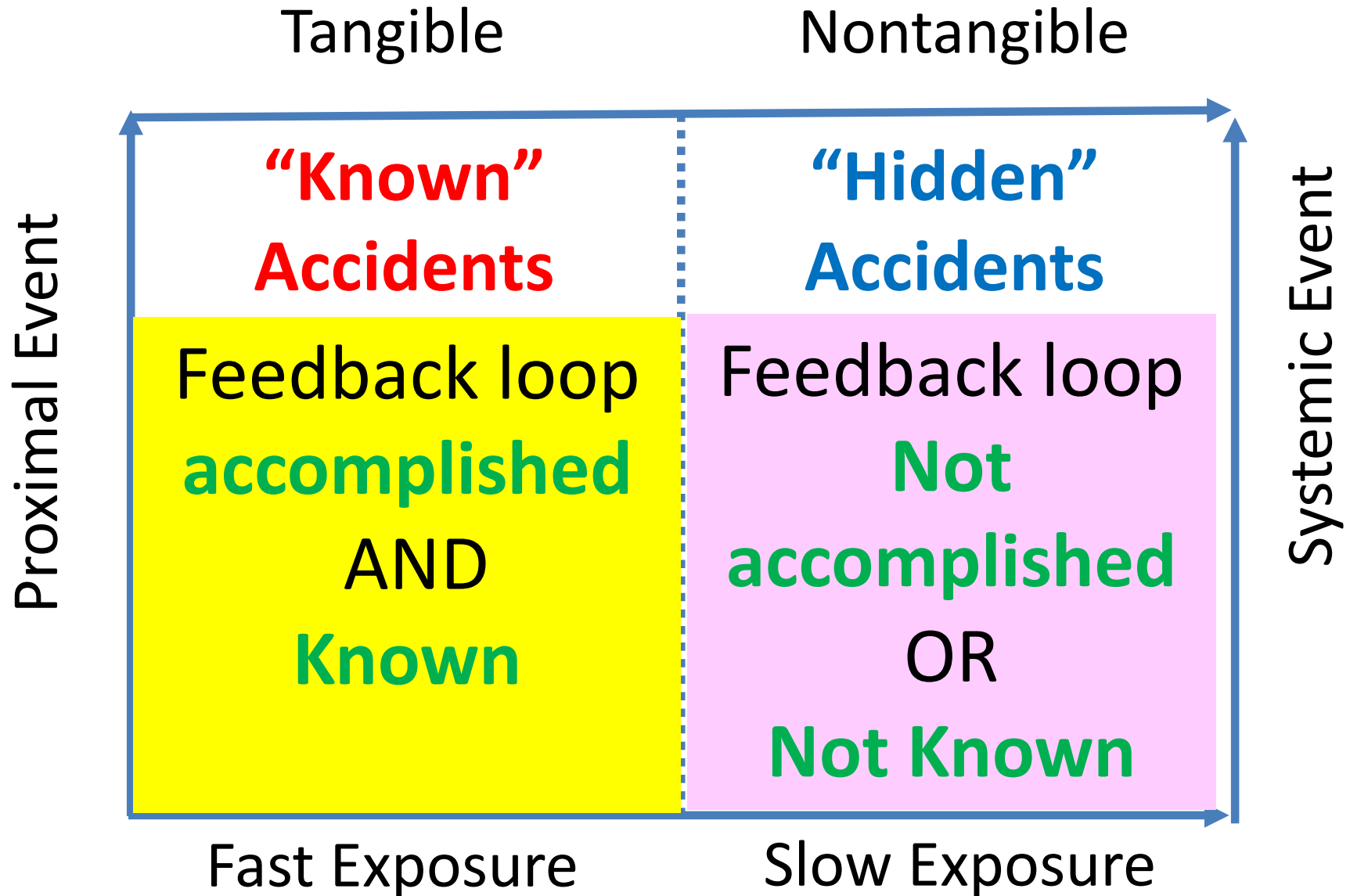


# Relationship between **Accidents and Disasters**

<b>Accidents</b>	<b>Disasters</b>
Time Limited	Time Limited - Unlimited
Space Limited	Space Limited - Unlimited
Complexity Limited	Complexity Limited - Unlimited
Severity Limited	Severity Limited - Unlimited
<b>Simple Response</b>	<b>Complex Response</b>



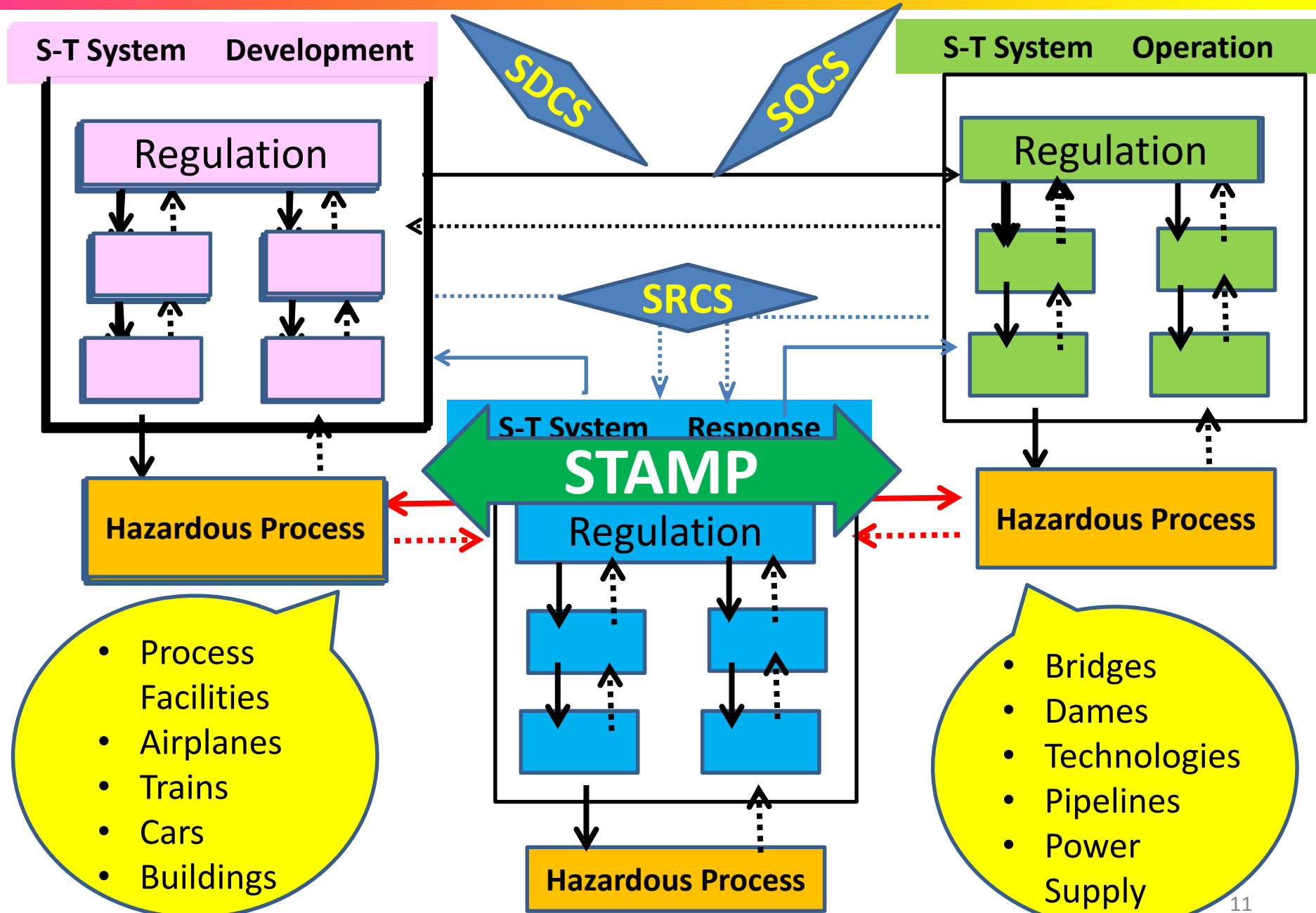
# Another view of **Accidents Classification**



# Some Sociotechnical Domains with Hidden Accidents

- **Justice System**
  - **Criminal Justice**
- **Health Systems**
  - **Health treatment**
  - **Drug treatment**
- **Nourishment System**
  - **Critical Food**
  - **Food**
  - **Water / Beverage**
- **Environmental System**
- **[bad] Decisions Making**

# Sociotechnical Systems and Full Lifecycle [Development, Operation & Response]





# Stages in System Operation Control Structure (SOCS)

- **System (new) Initiation (Stephanie)**
- **System Routine Operation**
- **System Non-Routine Operation (Kanarit)**
- System Shutdown
- System Maintenance
- System Repairs
- **System Startup** (after Maintenance / Repairs)

# Safety Lifecycle of Sociotechnical Systems [Development, Operation & Response]

S-T System Development	S-T System Operation	S-T System Response
Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Regulation	Regulation	Regulation
Corporate Management	Corporate Management	Complex “Corporate” Management
Company Management	Company Management	Complex “Company” Management
Project Management	Project Management	Project Management
Manufacturing Management	Operation Management	Operation Management
Manufacturing: Hazardous Processes	Operating Process: Hazardous Processes	Operating Process: Hazardous Processes

# *Outline*

- ✓ Short Introduction to “my ideas”
- ✓ Short Description of Accidents
- Some Preliminary Thoughts and Ideas

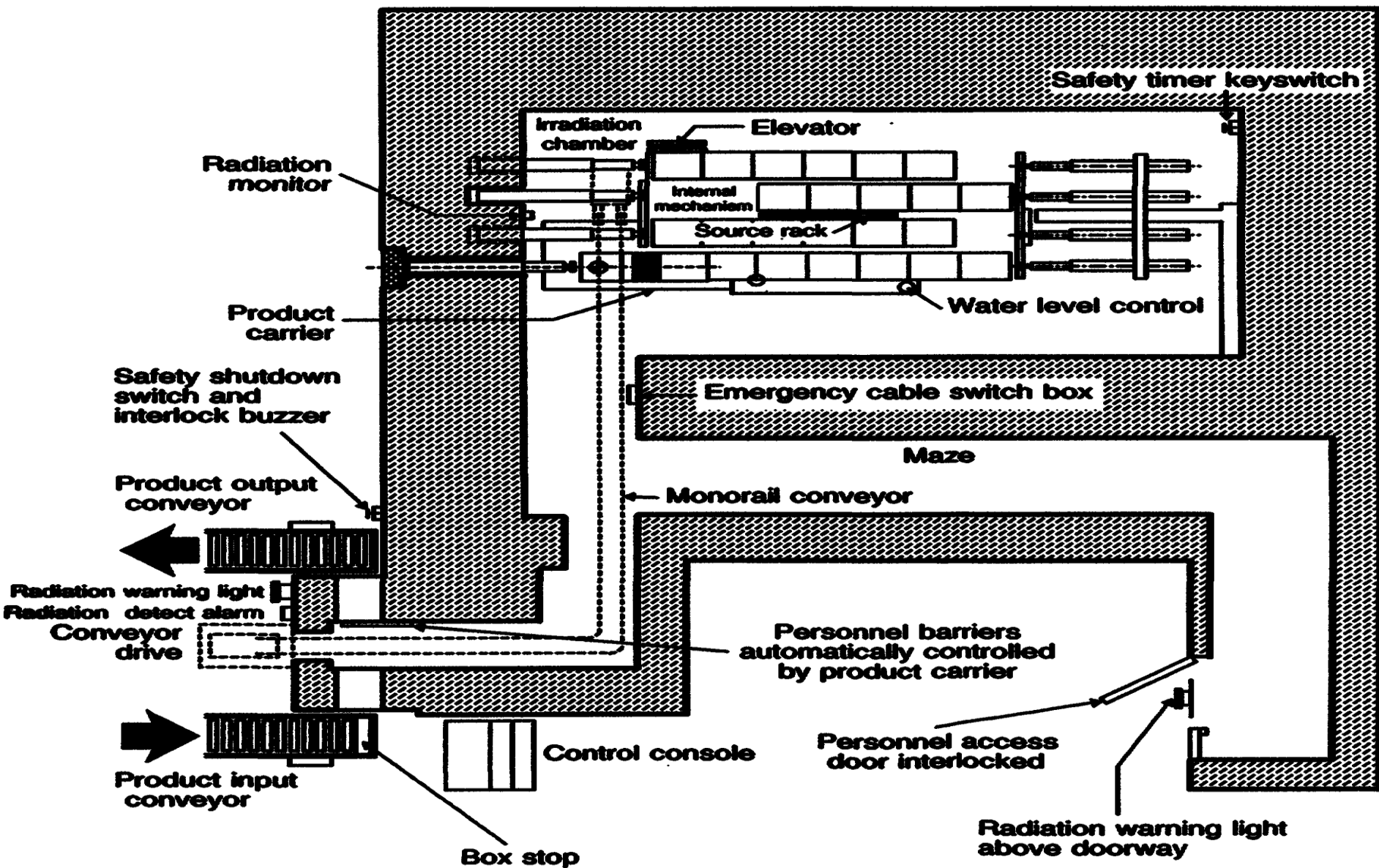
# The Radiological Accident in Soreq

An Accident in a System Operation Control Structure  
(SOCS) - System Routine Operation

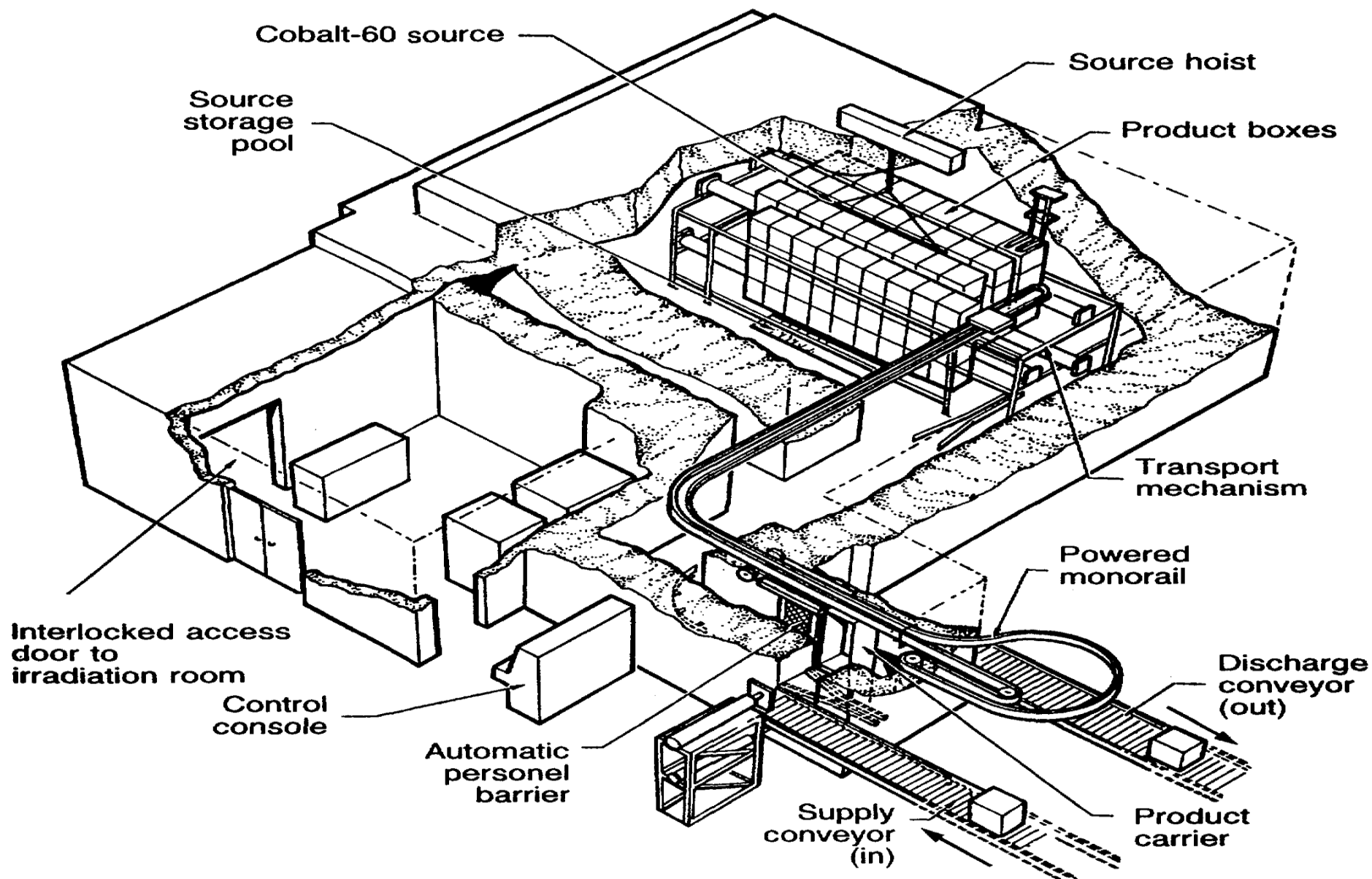




# A floor plan of the irradiation facility and JS6500 irradiator



# A cutaway three dimensional diagram of the JS6500 irradiator and the irradiation facility



**SDCS**

**Radiation Accident in Israel: CAST Investigations**

**SOCS**

**External Institutions**

International Atomic Energy Agency IAEA

Canadian Producer

**Parliament** Parliament's Commissions

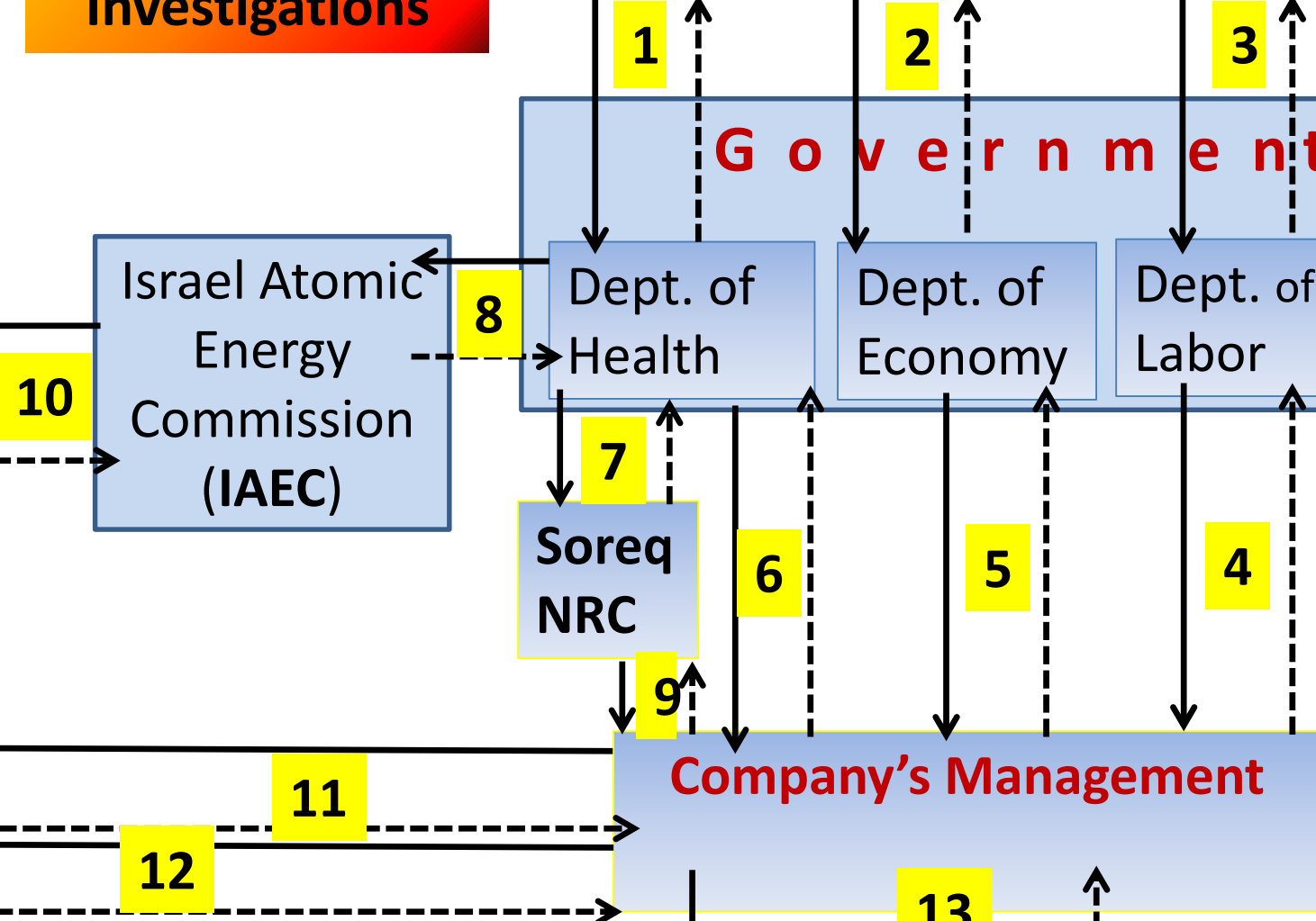
**G o v e r n m e n t**  
Dept. of Health Dept. of Economy Dept. of Labor

Israel Atomic Energy Commission (IAEC)

Soreq NRC

**Company's Management**

**Physical Level**  19





3. The carton on the inner lower conveyor that obstructed the source rack. Also shown are the steel guide bar and the source hoist cable.

# Radiation Accident in Israel: Official & CAST Investigations Results

S-T System Levels	Loop Number	Official Results	CAST Results
State – Regulation	1, 2, 3	0	<b>3</b>
State – Professional Regulation	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	3	6
External Institutions	10, 11, 12	0	<b>5</b>
Management & Operation	13	2	3
Physical Level		2	4
Total Results		7	21
Total in %		100%	300%

# Accident's Dimensions

- **Time**:
  - Proximal Event: Seconds – Minutes
  - $t \Delta$  between Design and Accident: > 20 years
- **Space**: few square meters
- **Severity**
  - Tangible & Direct: **One** fatality
  - Intangible & Indirect: N/A
- **Complexity**
  - Internal (PE): very Simple
  - External (SOCS): very Simple
- **Response**: very Simple

An Accident in a System Operation Control Structure  
Within the SOCS stage:  
System Startup (after Maintenance / Repairs)



Tesoro Refinery  
Anacortes, Washington

# View of D/E/F NHT Heat Exchanger Bank Before Accident (CSB Animation)



Behind the Curve





# Catastrophic Rupture of Heat Exchanger (**Seven Fatalities**)

**Tesoro Anacortes Refinery**

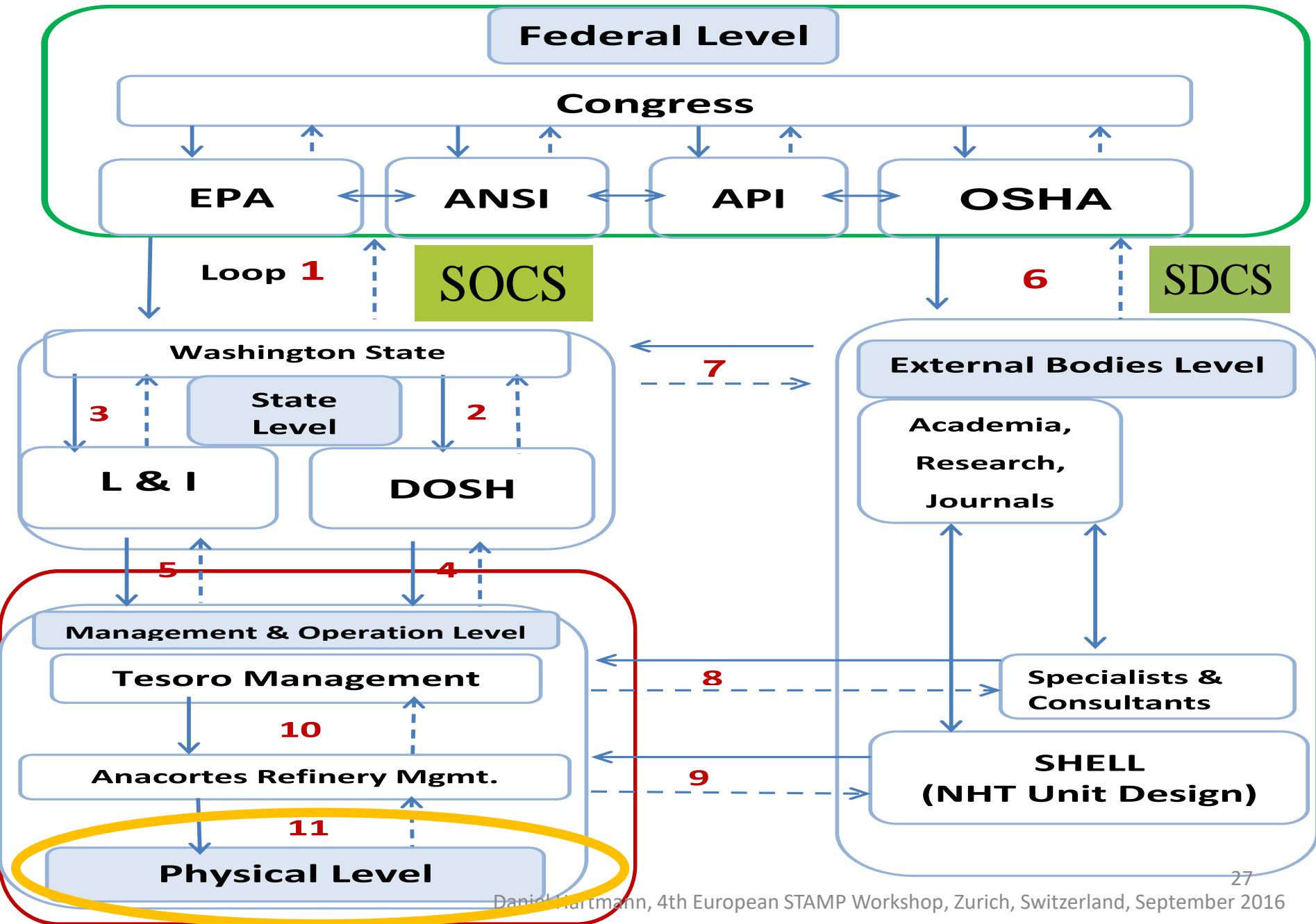
Anacortes, Washington (State), April 2, 2010



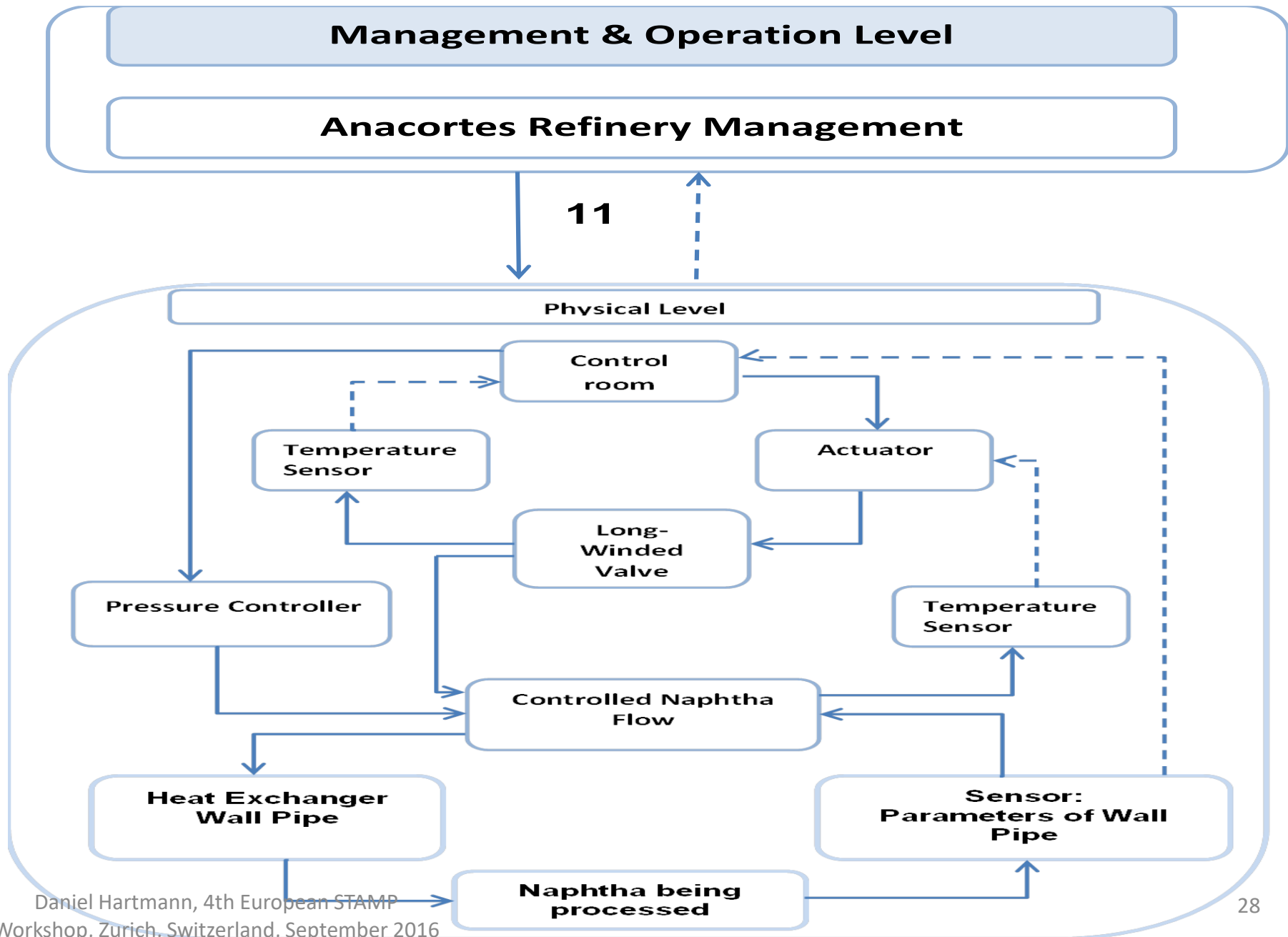
# Post-Incident View of D/E/F NHT Heat Exchanger Bank



# Sociotechnical Hierarchical control Structure – Anacortes Accident



# Sociotechnical Hierarchical control Structure – Anacortes Accident



# Anacortes Accident: CSB & CAST Investigations Results

S-T System Levels	Loop Number	CSB Results	CAST Results
Federal – Regulation	1	6	8
State – Regulation	2, 3, 4, 5	5	8
External Institutions	6, 7	0	1
External Experts	8, 9	2	5
Management & Operation	10, 11	10	14
Physical Level		9	14
Total Results		32	50
Total in %		100%	156%

# Accident's Dimensions

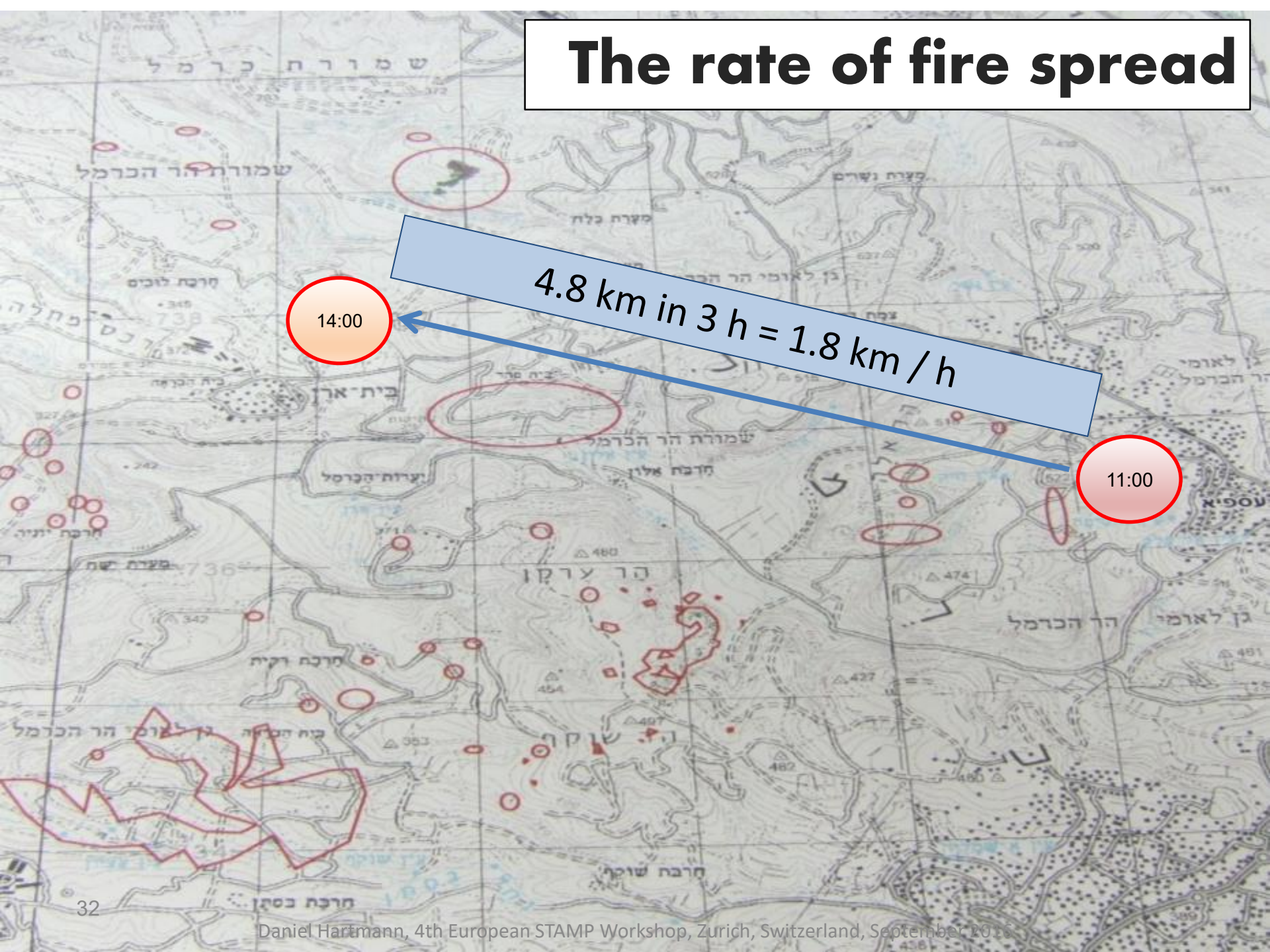
- **Time**:
  - Proximal Event: Seconds – Minutes
  - $t \Delta$  between Design and Accident: ~ 40 years
- **Space**: few hundred square meters
- **Severity**
  - Tangible & Direct: **Seven** fatalities
  - Intangible & Indirect: mainly financial
- **Complexity**
  - Internal (PE): very Simple
  - External (SOCS): Simple
- **Response**: Simple

# The Carmel Forest Fire Disaster (CFFD), Israel (2010)

## An Accident in a System Response Control Structure (SRCS)



# The rate of fire spread



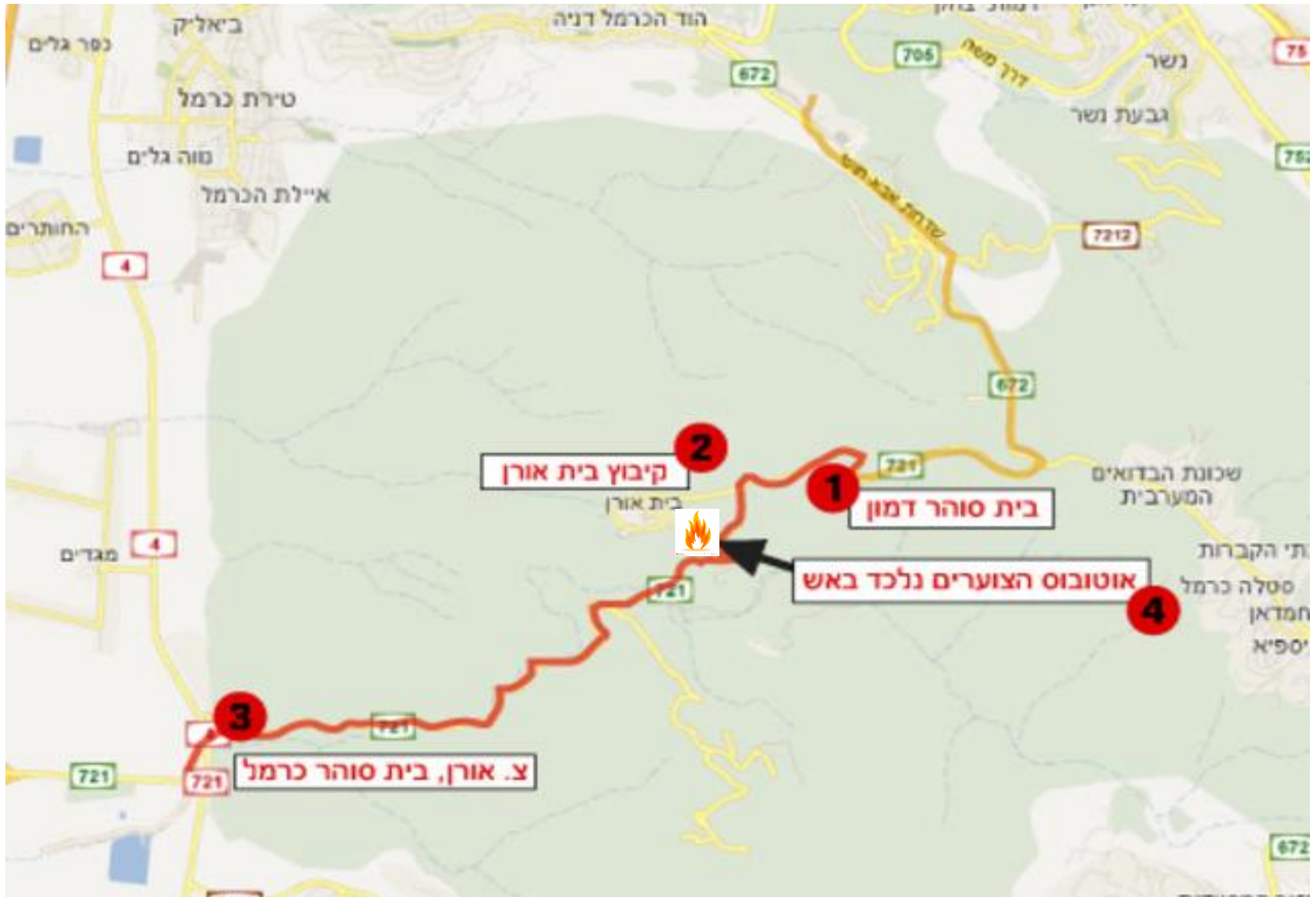
14:00

4.8 km in 3 h = 1.8 km/h

11:00



# Carmel Mountains – Road 721



15:34



## The Carmel Forest Fire Disaster (CFFD), Israel (2010)

צילום: דן אמיר  
בית אורן

15:35



The Carmel Forest Fire Disaster (CFFD), Israel (2010)

# Mount Carmel [Israel] forest fire (2010): a very expensive lesson in risk management and safety



© 2010 Yoav Etiel | [magazin.org.il](http://magazin.org.il)

Daniel Hartmann, 4th European STAMP Workshop, Zurich, Switzerland, September 2016

# CFFD: CAST Investigations

SRCS

## Parliament

A B C

Parliament's Commissions

## Government

DPM

DoTr

DoI

DoIE

DoE

DoT

DoPS

DoD

DoFA

## Governmental Organizations

Military

Police

Fire  
Fighters

Forest At.

Electric C

Meteo

Prison  
Service

## Local Municipalities

A

B

C

D

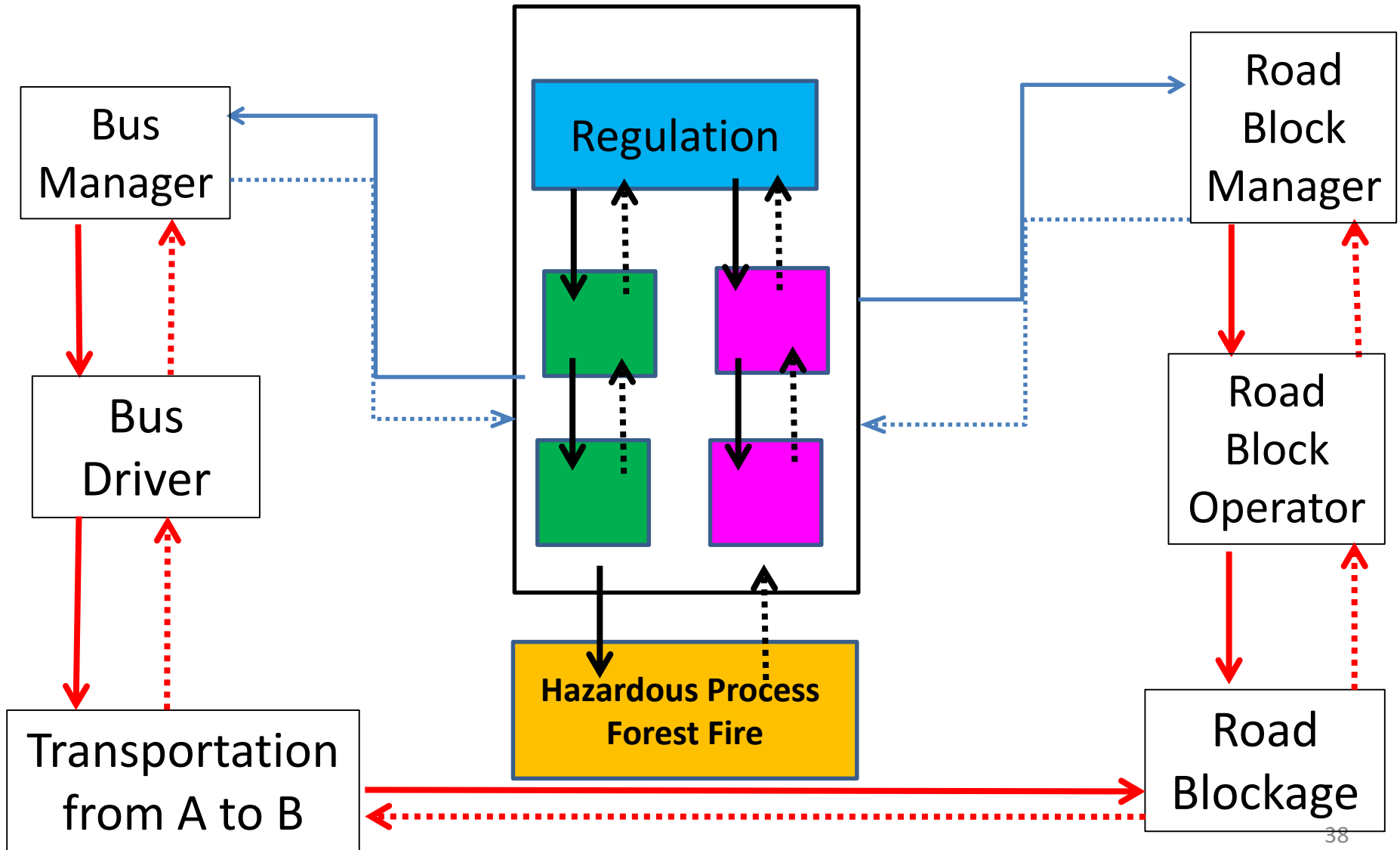
E

F

G

## Physical Level

# CFFD partial S-T System Response Control Structure



# CFFD Accident's Dimensions

- Time:
  - Proximal Event: many hours – few days
  - $t \Delta$  between Design and Accident: ~ 50 years
- Space: many dozens square kilometers
- Severity
  - Tangible & Direct: **forty four** fatalities
  - Intangible & Indirect: immense
- Complexity
  - Internal (PE): very Complex
  - External (SRCS): very Complex
- Response: very Complex

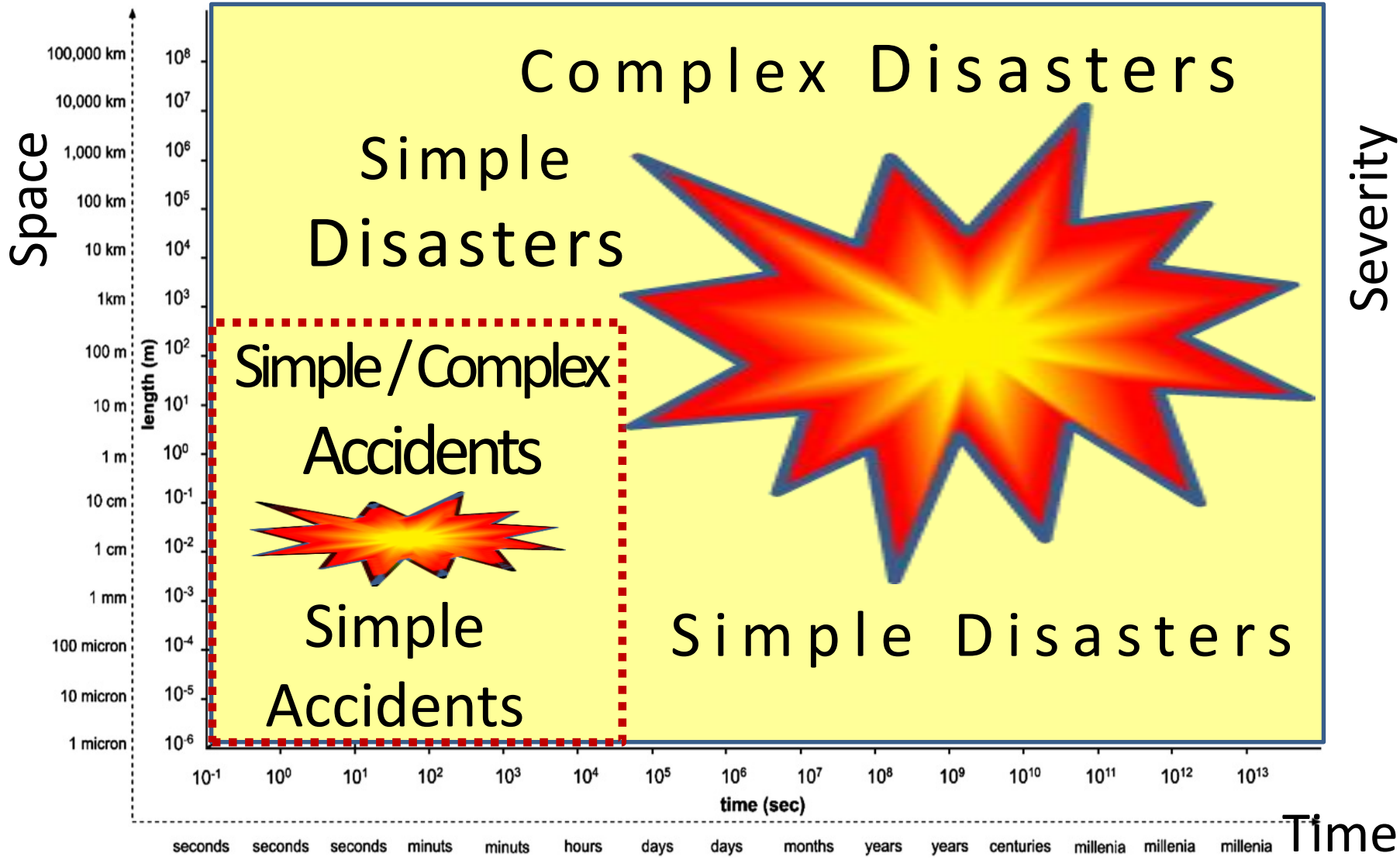
# *Outline*

- ✓ Short Introduction to “my ideas”
- ✓ Short Description of Accidents
- ✓ **Some Preliminary Thoughts and Ideas**

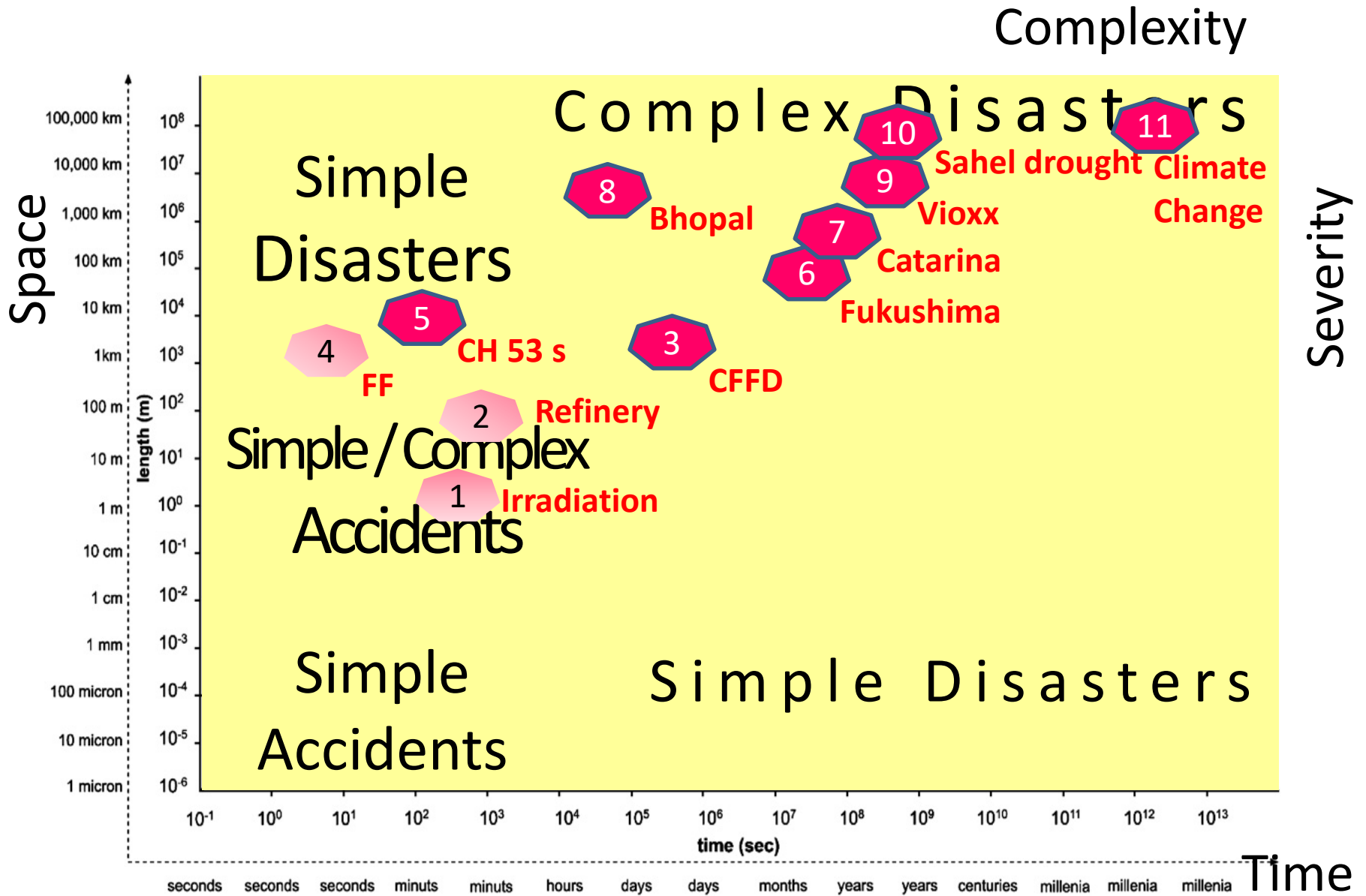


# Classification of Loss Events [**Accidents and Disasters**]

Complexity



# Mapping of Loss Events [**Accidents and Disasters**]



# Some Preliminary Conclusions

- The key parameters building STAMP, CAST & STPA should be defined in a more precise scientific way.
- To avoid “spaghetti problems”, one should be strict with the division between SDCS, SOCS, SRCS and their sub-divisions.
- Large scale and numerous CAST analysis are needed to understand the variability and the patterns of loss events in various STSs.
- For most existing STSs, CAST analysis has to be the precursor for any STPA analysis.



**Thank  
You!!!**

[www.thebodytransformation.com](http://www.thebodytransformation.com)

**Daniel Hartmann**  
danielh@bgu.ac.il



**Daniel Hartmann**  
danielh@bgu.ac.il