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AUDIO TO VISUAL

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Who has hearing loss?

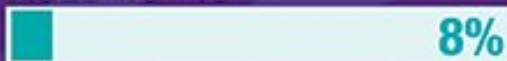


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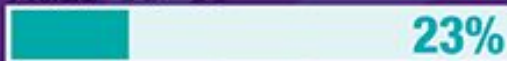
of adults
aged 20 to 69
in 2011–2012

Older Age Groups

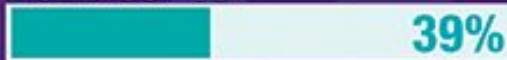
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Prevalence of hearing loss
increases with age.

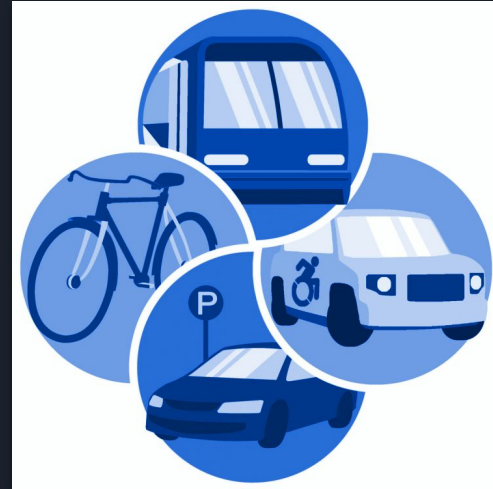


National Institute on
Deafness and Other
Communication Disorders

Design Problem



Deaf & Hard of
Hearing



Transportation



User Research

“I get worried when biking that people think I am being rude when I don't acknowledge them passing because I can't hear their shout”

“I wish that there was some way I could be notified of ambulances when I am driving”

Supported Tasks



Notify when someone is trying to pass them.



Notify when an emergency vehicle is approaching.



Design Criteria



Portable



Flexible



Nondistracting



Initial Idea

Interpret auditory signals visually

Sensors collect information, glasses display

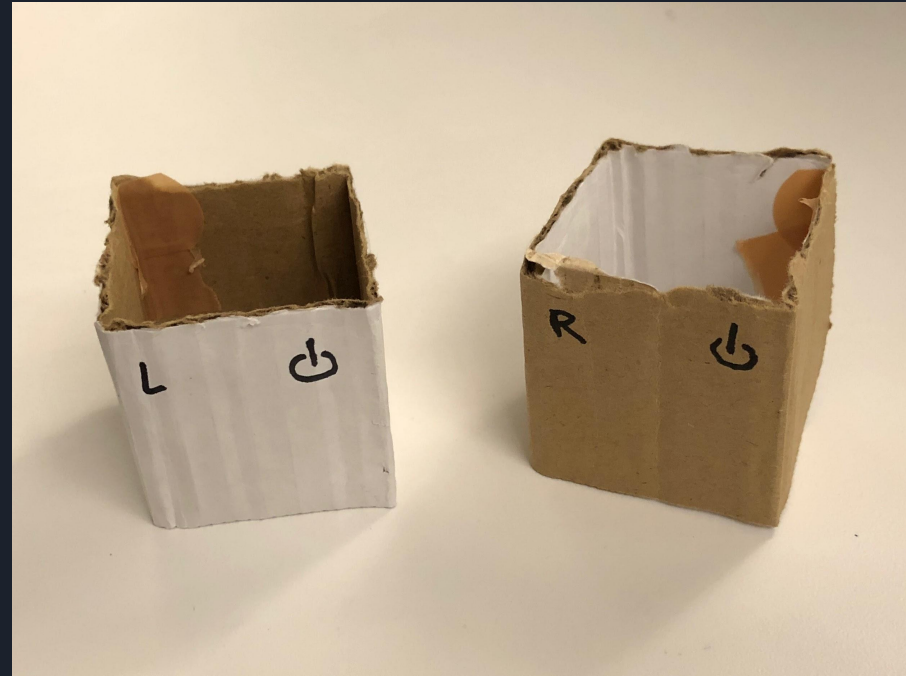
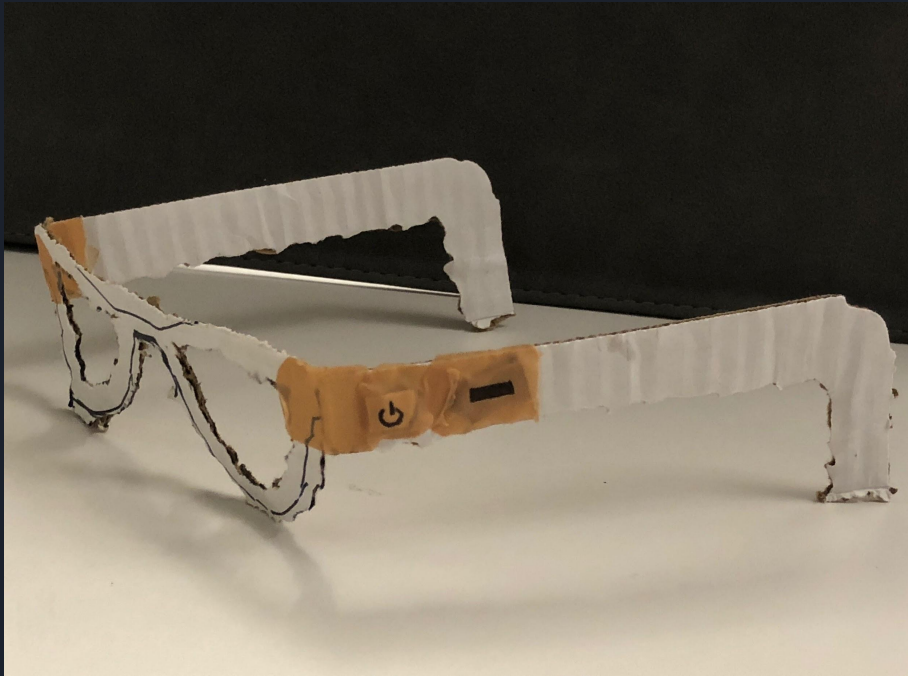
Intuitive display

Information presented stereoscopically

Paper Prototype

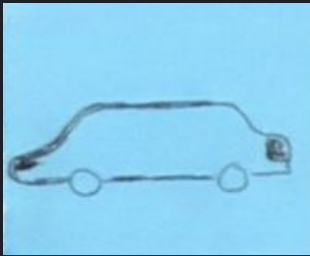


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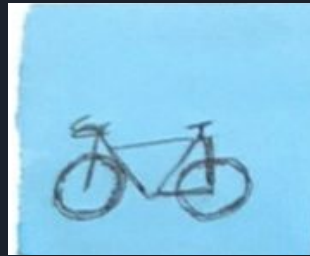


Initial Icon Design

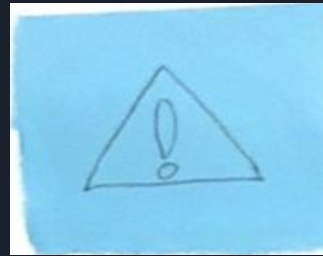
Car



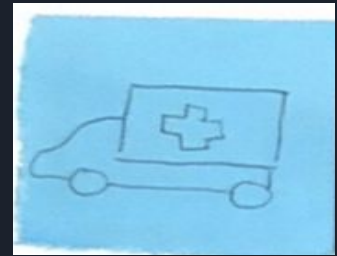
Bike



General Warning



Emergency Vehicle



User Testing



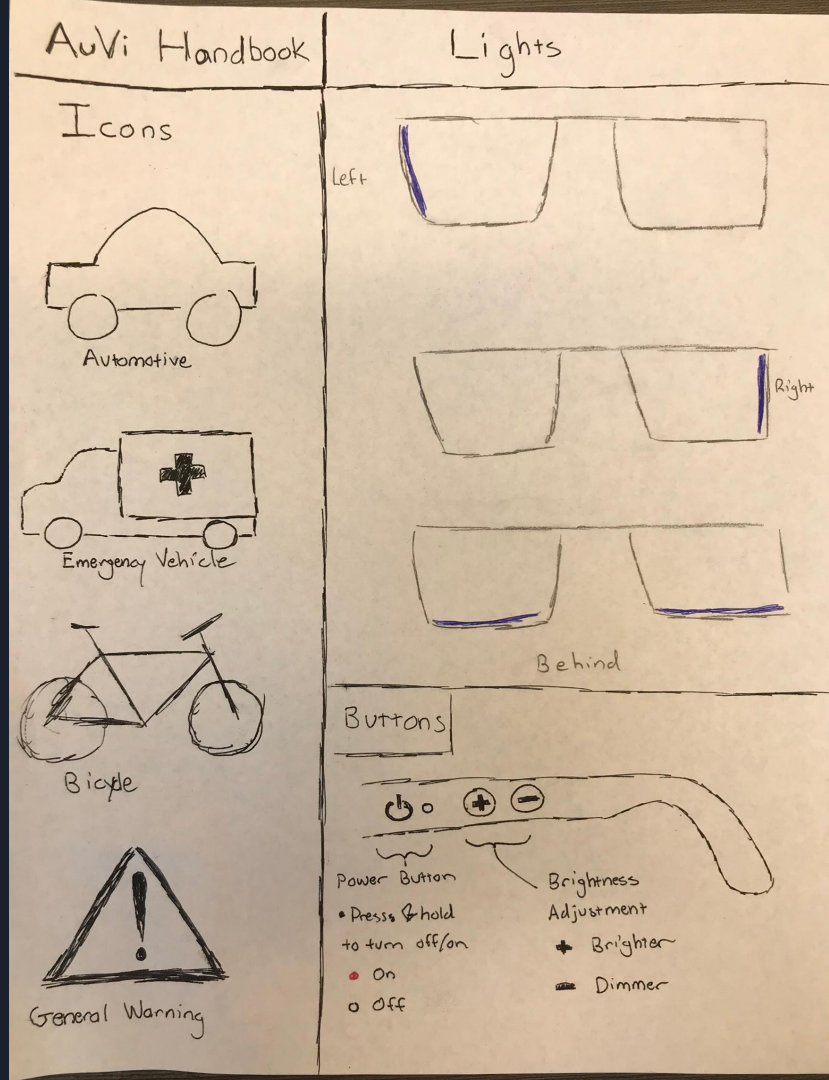
User Testing

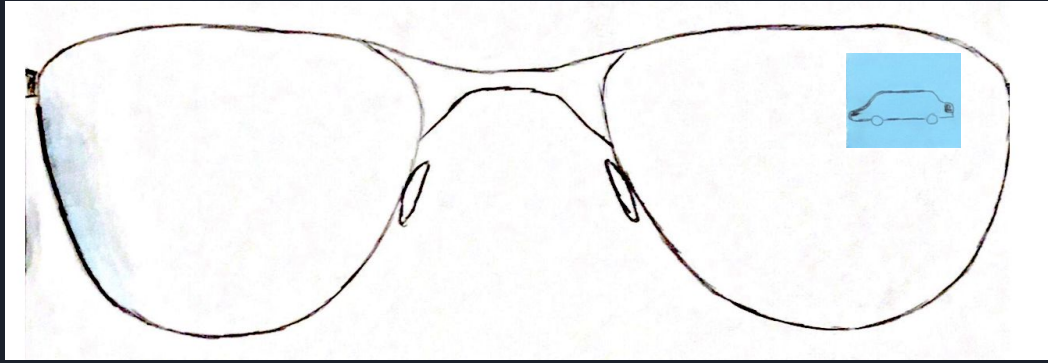
Users given a manual

Given paper scenarios

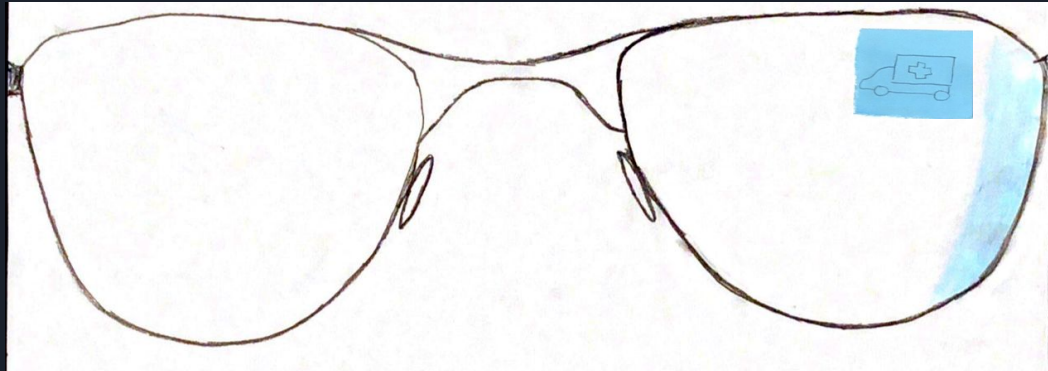
Asked to identify source type
& location

Tested for speed and accuracy





“Car honk to the left”



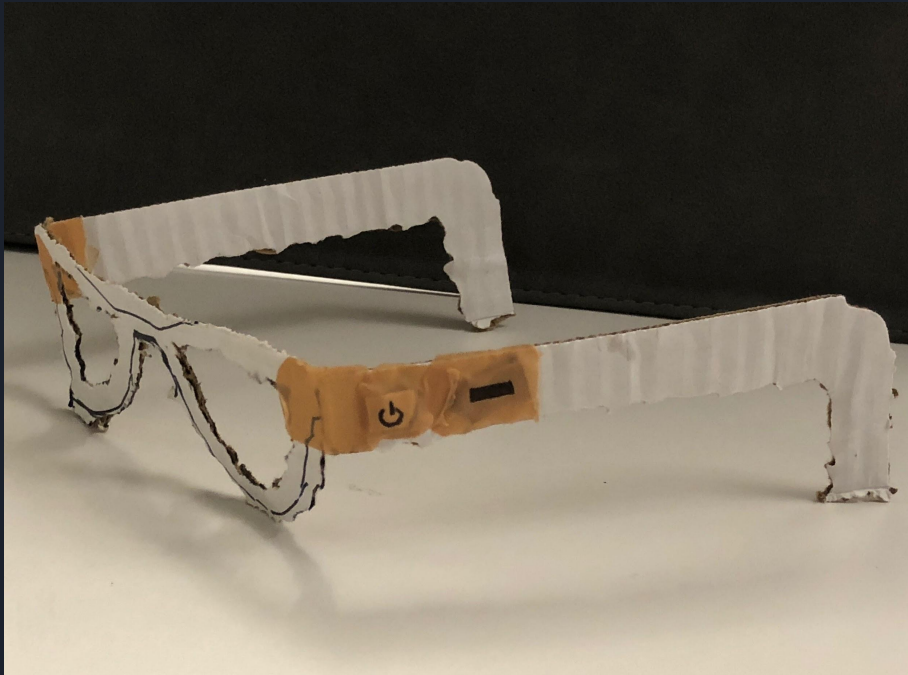
“Ambulance to the right”

User Testing

Design Refinement



Glasses Feedback



“How do I know when the glasses are on and off?”

“Brightness adjustment buttons not descriptive”

“I would prefer to have the controls on the right side”

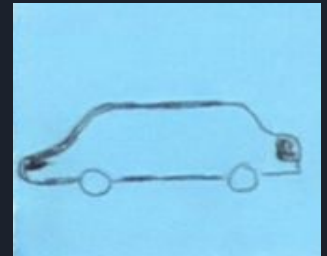
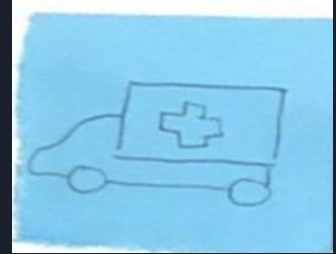
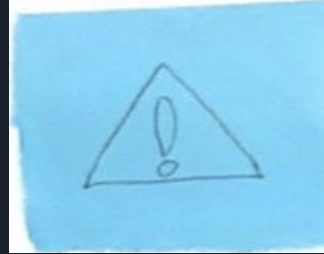
Icons

“General warning icon doesn’t make sense”

“There are not enough icons

“The icons are too obtrusive”

“Blue doesn’t stand out against the sky





Icons

Car



Shout



General



Fire
Alarm



Bike



Emergency
Vehicle



Final Mockup

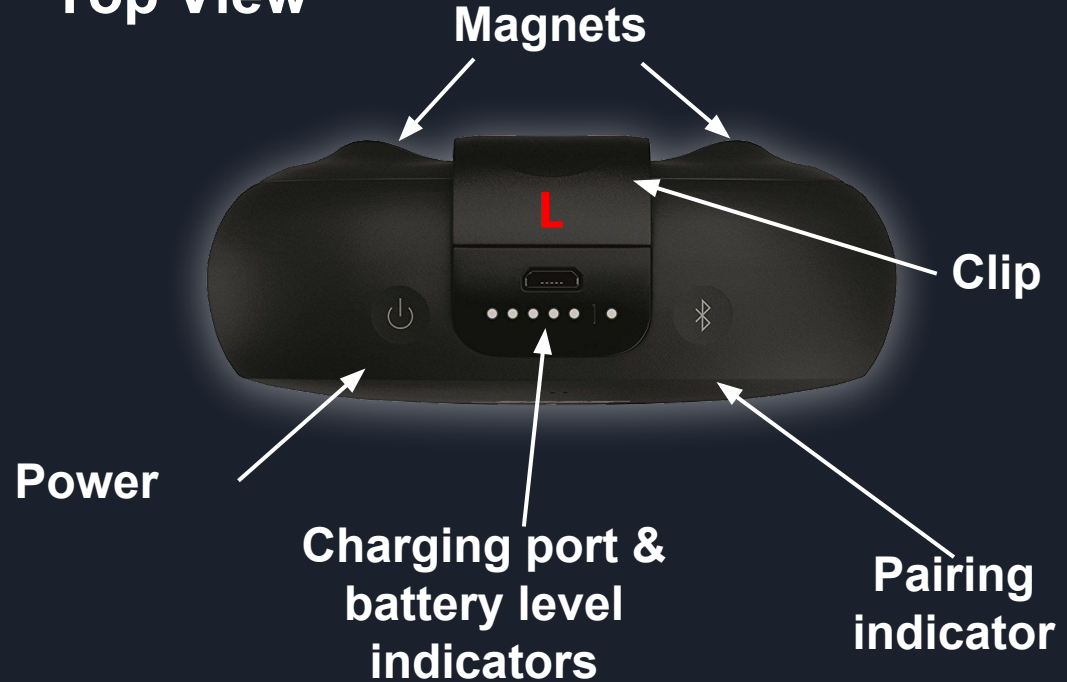


A closer look at the sensors

Front View



Top View



Attaching Sensors to Cars



Attaching Sensors to a Bike



Task 1

Notify commuters when
someone is trying to pass
them



Situation



YOU



Biker

Notification



Situation



YOU

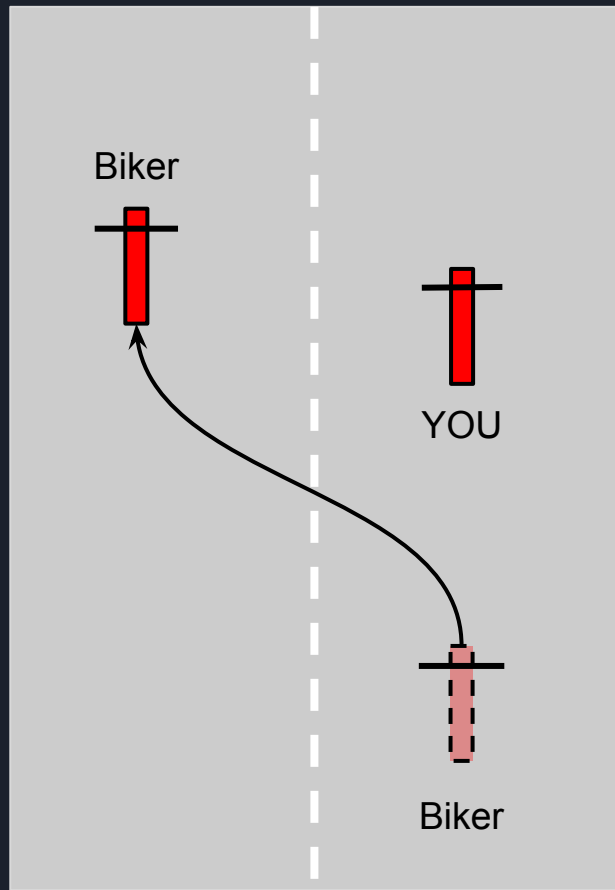


Biker

Notification



Situation



Notification

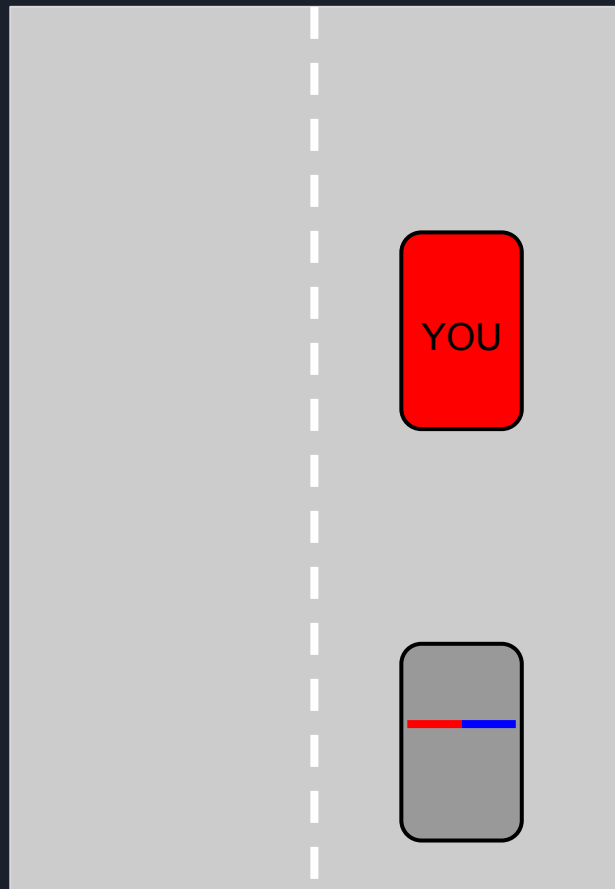


Task 2

Notify commuters of
emergency vehicles



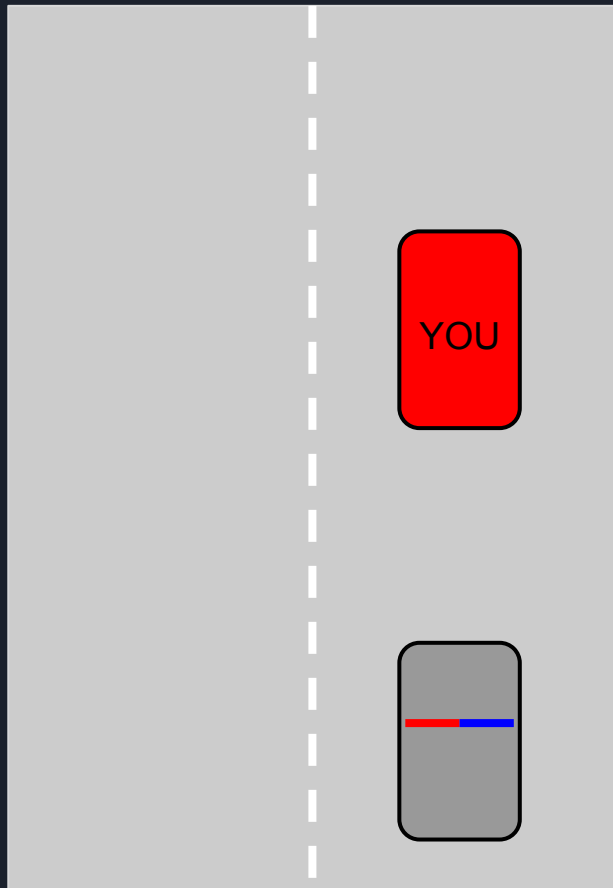
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Notification



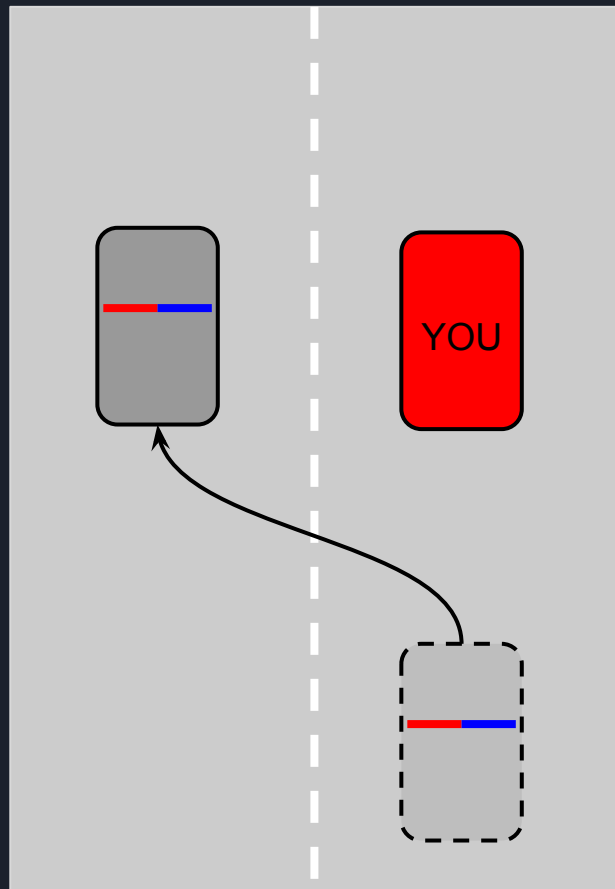
Situation



Notification



Situation



Notification



Summary





Things We Learned

Empathy is crucial to good design

You don't need a lot to design

Nothing beats talking to users

You can do more when you collaborate

Questions?



Thank You!

