

# A Theory of Automobile Road Racing

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## **If**

the cars are all equal, **and**,  
the drivers are all equal, **and**,  
there are no mechanical failures, **and**,  
The drivers make no errors, **and**,  
They start in single-file,

## **then:**

the cars will finish in the order in which they start;

**except** where owing to either:

- their natural proximity from the start,

**or**,

- an external agent such as a gust of wind which affects the cars unequally,

**or both:**

...the situation arises that two cars are in immediate proximity while at top speed, with one behind the other, and therefore the former can pass by slipstreaming (drafting).