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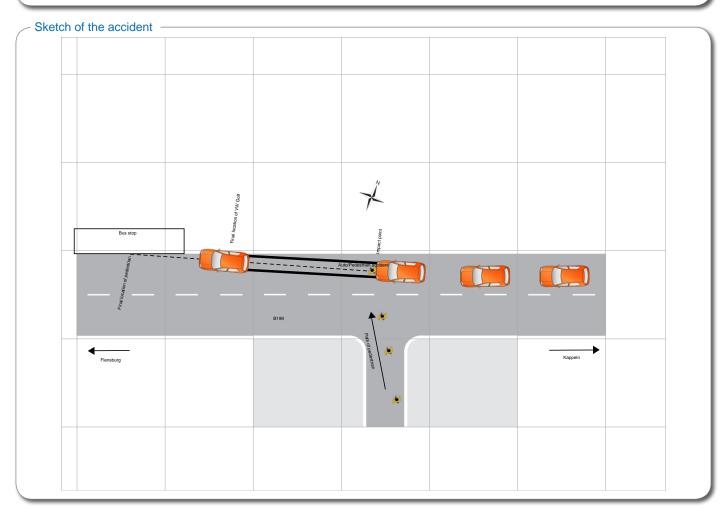
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On the night of 2 January 1992 a 47-year-old female pedestrian was struck by a 1984 Ford station wagon as she crossed the B199 highway between Kappeln and Flensburg, Germany. She was severely injured in the accident, suffering fractures to both legs and arms and severe injuries to her head.

The driver of the vehicle was a 24-year-old male, accompanied by his 23-year-old fiancee. The car struck the pedestrian on the left side of the car, directly in front of the driver. The pedestrian fell onto the hood and then broke the windshield and damaged the roof of the car, just above the driver's seat. The passenger in the vehicle estimated that the car was travelling between 70 and 80 kph because the road is very curvy in this location. The speed limit in this stretch of road is 100 kph. Subsequent testing showed that neither drugs nor alcohol was involved in the accident.

A friend of the pedestrian was accompanying her and said that the victim was rushing across the highway to try to catch a bus that was headed for Flensburg. She was fumbling in her purse to try to find a flashlight to signal the bus driver to stop. Apparently she did not notice the on-coming car until it was too late.





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