



Continuous Updating of Backend HD Map Data Based on Vehicle Fleet Data

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Big Loop Interplay of Frontend & Safety Server



between Frontend and Safety Server Continuous Data Exchange





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Change Detection Case: Dudenhofen Detour



This and the following map visualizations were generated with QGIS: http://qgis.org/

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- Case study "Initial Safety Server HD map with detour":
 - Detour part on the straight (geometry)
 - Same number of lanes (topology)
 - Lane markings shifted
 - Vehicles send data that should be detected as changes

Fleet Data Preparation







- Data from vehicles contains observed features (here: Lane markings)
- But also artefacts
- In vehicles, data can be classified according to a confidence value
- Data preparation filters the features based on this classification and other constraints
- Aim: Less, but better data







- SLAM graphs are a state-of-the-art approach to model trajectories and observations of robots
- Based on these graphs, an optimization can be executed with the aim of adjusting the data under the observed and modelled contraints
- Fleet data is transformed into SLAM graphs in the pipeline to allow an aggregation and thus comparison of data from several drives







- Fleet data from different drives is usually inconsistent:
 - Varying localization quality
 - Occlusion leading to missing features
 - Sensor artefacts and classification
 - Differing trajectories
- SLAM graphs allow to compute the consistent parts (association)
- This is done based on observed features, trajectories and models





 Association of multiple drives

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 Optimization of associated graphs

Area Filter and Consolidation







- On this associated graph, an area filter is applied to determine consistent areas of the drives (polygons)
- These polygons and the respective graph are then consolidated
- Consolidation is based on statistics and geometric approaches and produces an aggregated view on the features
- This filters out false positives and allows to consider partly occluded areas

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Association of Consolidated Drives with Initial HD Map and Area Filter







- Necessary steps: Preparation of the initial HD map (extraction and SLAM graph creation)
- Change detection mainly consists of the association of extracted initial HD map graph with the graph of the consolidated drives in consistent areas
- Assumption here: In changed areas, drives are consistent to each other and inconsistent to initial HD map
- The area filter outputs these changed areas

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- Final step: For each changed area, the consolidated drives are merged into the initial HD map
- Current limitations:
 - Geometric and topological representation without potential semantics as contained in the initial HD map
 - Handling of outdated parts is treated conceptually only

Additional Change Classes





Additionally detected changes include areas with changed lane marking types (depicted) and traffic sign occurances

Learning HD Map

Aggregation of data from cellular networks

Measuring key network parameters to enable robust communication for Highly Automated Driving

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Highly automated cars are consumers and producers of data

- Sensor data provider for backend services (update traffic/map data)
- Consumer of traffic/map data (from backend – federal / OEM)
- To realize safe and convenient driving

 Comfort services like infotainment (streaming, ...)







https://www.businessinsider.de/eine-karte-zeigt-wie-schnell-das-wlan-in-den-ices-der-deutschen-

Connectivity as Layer in the HD-Map Surfgeschwindigkeit im DB-Streckennetz

- Map can provide a-priori knowledge of cellular network quality
- Deutsche Bahn collected such data for their network
- Similar map can be created by vehicles
- Vehicles can share information





Ko-HAF Setup

- Vehicles can measure the available network quality
- Onboard communication module provides all necessary quality parameters
- Information aggregated on Safety Server
- Key Performance Indicators
 - Data throughput (upload/download)
 - Latency



Throughput – Opel Testtrack Dudenhofen







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Detailed investigation of measured throughput KD-HAF



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Download Throughput Ko-HAF Test Area





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Connectivity Layer in HD-Map



- We consider connectivity information as a further layer in the map
- Vehicles can share such information with each other through Safety Server
- Provides information for e.g. further data scheduling algorithms
- Enables robust communication



Live Visualization in the "Glashaus"



- Further details and discussions
- Technical aspects of the cellular network



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