

Robotics

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Organization and Overview

Period: February 1st – May 10th 2021
Time: Tuesday 16.15 – 18.00
Place: <https://smart.newrow.com/#/room/qba-943>
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NB Register on Brightspace

Schedule:

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| 1-2 | Introduction and Overview |
| 8-2 | No Class (Dies) |
| 15-2 | Locomotion and Inverse Kinematics |
| 22-2 | Robotics Sensors and Image Processing |
| 1-3 | Yetiborg Introduction + SLAM Workshop I |
| 8-3 | Project Proposals (presentation by students) |
| 15-3 | Robotics Vision |
| 22-3 | Robotics Reinforcement Learning |
| 29-3 | Yetiborg Qualification + Robotics Reinforcement Learning Workshop II |
| 5-4 | No Class (Eastern) |
| 12-4 | Project Progress (presentations by students) |
| 19-4 | Yetiborg Challenge |
| 26-4 | Project Team Meetings |
| 3-5 | Project Team Meetings |
| 10-5 | Online Project Demos |

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Grading (6 ECTS):

- Presentations and Robotics Project (60% of grade).
- Class discussions, attendance, workshops and assignments (40% of grade).
- It is necessary to be at every class and to complete every workshop.

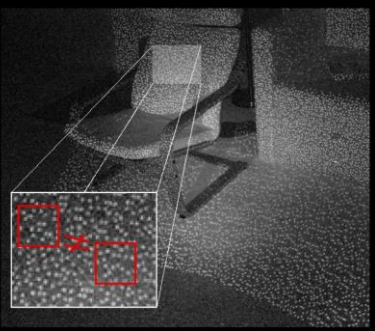
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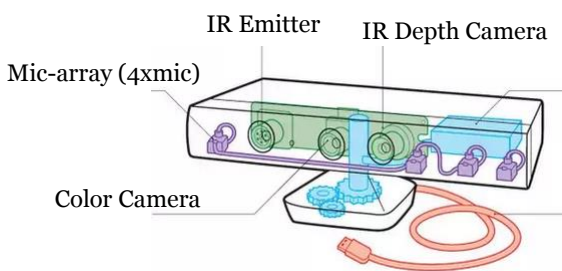
Structured Light

1. Primesense based Occipital
2. Asus X-tion Pro Live
3. Microsoft Kinect v1, v2
4. Intel RealSense F200, R200 (blue)

Coded Light

- Light is distorted on the surface
- Pattern is **unique** in every position on the scene
- Allows to compute depth information through triangulation





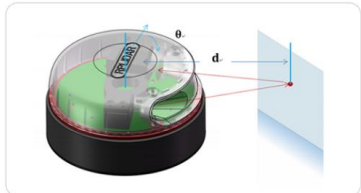
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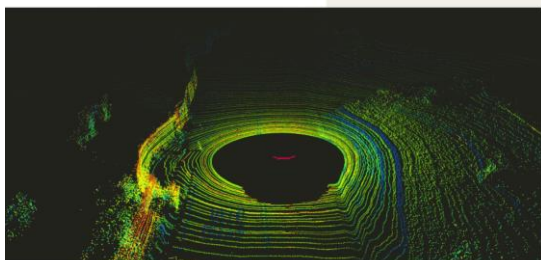
LIDAR Explanation

Traditional algorithm

RPVision 3.0

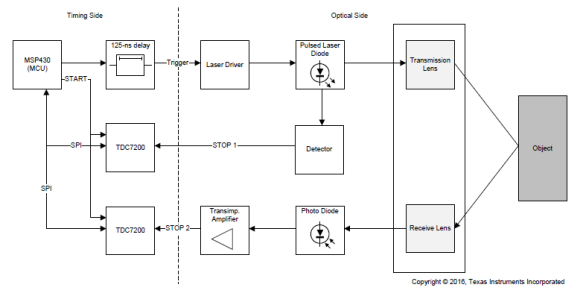


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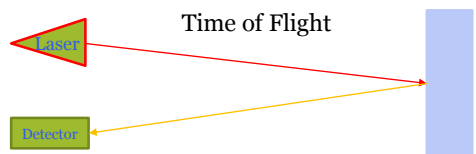
<https://news.voyage.auto/an-introduction-to-lidar-the-key-self-driving-car-sensor-a7e405590cff>

Timing Side



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Time of Flight



- Speed of light $\sim 3 \times 10^8$ m/s
- In 1 picosecond ($= 10^{-12}$ sec) light travels $\sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$ m = 0.3 mm
- During 33 picoseconds light travels ~ 1 cm

Texas Instruments LIDAR Pulsed Reference Design

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Robotics Self Driving Cars

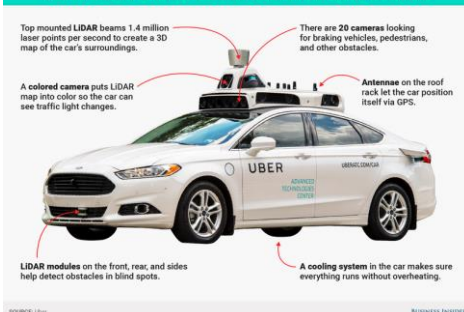


Google Firefly, 2015



Google, 2009

HOW UBER'S FIRST SELF-DRIVING CAR WORKS



SOURCE: Uber

BUSINESS INSIDER

HOW WAYMO'S SELF-DRIVING CAR WORKS

One of Waymo's three lidar systems that shoots lasers so the car can see its surroundings. Waymo says this lidar can detect a helmet two-football fields away.

A forward facing camera works with 8 others stationed around the car to provide 360 degrees of vision.

Radar sensors can detect objects in rain, fog, or snow.

Waymo's self-driving sensors are tightly integrated into the hybrid minivan created by Fiat Chrysler.



<https://waymo.com/tech/>
Waymo, 2017 -

SOURCE: Waymo

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CES2019

BMW Self Driving Car

InnovizOne Solid-state Lidar (goal: sub \$1000 sensor)

- Angular resolution $0.1^\circ \times 0.1^\circ$
- FOV $120^\circ \times 25^\circ$
- 25 FPS
- Range 250m



Perception Capabilities

- Object detection and classification
- Lane detection
- Object Tracking
- SLAM



SLAM (Simultaneous Localization And Mapping)



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Researcher Hacks Self-driving Car Sensors

\$60 lidar spoofing device generates fake cars, pedestrians and walls (2015)

By Mark Harris

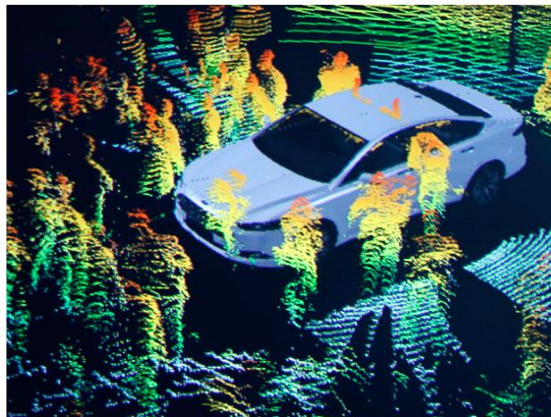


Photo: Jeff Kowalski/Corbis

<https://spectrum.ieee.org/cars-that-think/transportation/self-driving/researcher-hacks-selfdriving-car-sensors>

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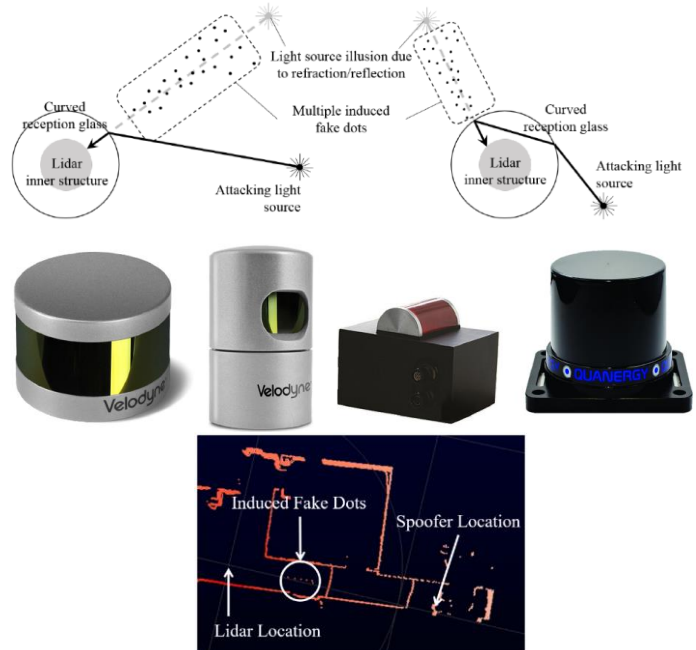
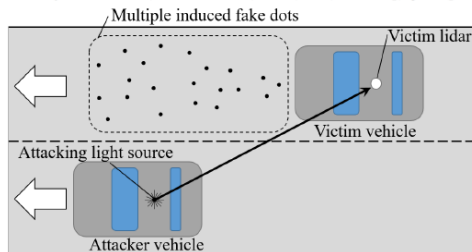
Illusion and Dazzle: Adversarial Optical Channel Exploits against Lidars for Automotive Applications (2017)

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Abstract. With the advancement in computing, sensing, and vehicle electronics, autonomous vehicles are being realized. For autonomous driving, environment perception sensors such as radars, lidars, and vision sensors play core roles as the eyes of a vehicle; therefore, their reliability cannot be compromised. In this work, we present a spoofing by relaying attack, which can not only induce illusions in the lidar output but can also cause the illusions to appear closer than the location of a spoofing device. In a recent work, the former attack is shown to be effective, but the latter one was never shown. Additionally, we present a novel saturation attack against lidars, which can completely incapacitate a lidar from sensing a certain direction. The effectiveness of both the approaches is experimentally verified against Velodyne's VLP-16.

Keywords: attack, autonomous car, sensor, lidar, saturating, spoofing



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Adversarial Sensor Attack on LiDAR-based Perception in Autonomous Driving

by Yulong Cao et al.
CCS '19, November 11–15,
2019, London, UK.

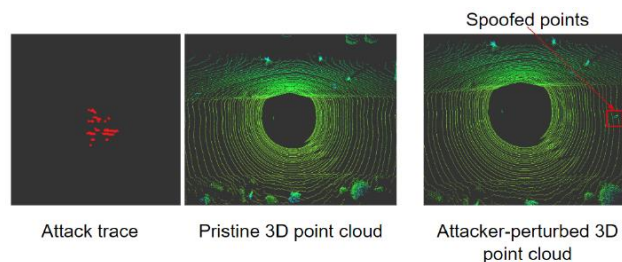
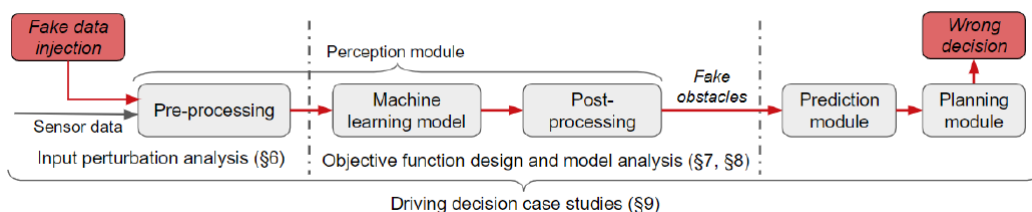


Figure 5: Generating the attacker-perturbed 3D point cloud by synthesizing the pristine 3D point cloud with the attack trace to spoof a front-near obstacle 5 meters away from the victim AV.







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The perfect anti-collision solution for any environment

Technology Comparison

distance sensors for robotics

| |  Ultrasound |  Infrared Triangulation |  Laser |  TeraRanger Time-of-Flight |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| High reading frequency | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Long range | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Minimal weight | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ |
| Small form factor | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ |
| Eye safety | ✓ | ✓ | Class 1 lasers only | ✓ |
| Use with multiple sensors | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ |



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RaspberryPi Sensors Kit

GrovePi+ Board for Raspberry Pi

De ATMEGA328 microcontroller communicates with the Raspberry Pi.

- Sound Sensor
- Temperature & Humidity
- Light Sensor
- Button
- Ultrasonic Ranger
- Rotary Angle Sensor
- Gas Sensor



| Symbol | MQ-2 | MQ-3 | MQ-5 | MQ-9 |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Detect Gas | Combustible Gas, Smoke | Alcohol Vapor | LPG, Natural Gas, Town Gas | Carbon Monoxide, Coal Gas, Liquefied Gas |
| Detect Concentration | 300-10000ppm | 0.04-4mg/L Alcohol | 300-10000ppm | 10-1000ppm CO ₂ 100-10000PPm Gas |

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- J. Sattar, J. Mo, SafeDrive: **A Robust Lane Tracking System for Autonomous and Assisted Driving Under Limited Visibility**. January 31, 2017
(<https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.08449>)

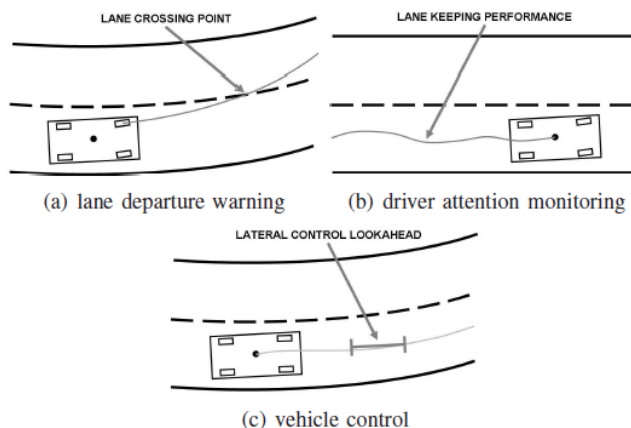
Some example project for detecting road features using OpenCV:

<https://navoshta.com/detecting-road-features/> by Alex Staravoi tau

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(a) A simple road with solid and segmented line lane markings (b) Circular reflectors and solid-line lane markings with non-uniform pavement texture



(c) Dark on light lane markings with circular reflectors (d) A combination of segmented lines, circular reflectors, and physical barrier marking lane location



(e) Highly cluttered shadows from trees obscuring lane markings (f) Freeway overpass causing extreme lighting changes and reducing road marking contrast

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Lane Tracking by Day and Night

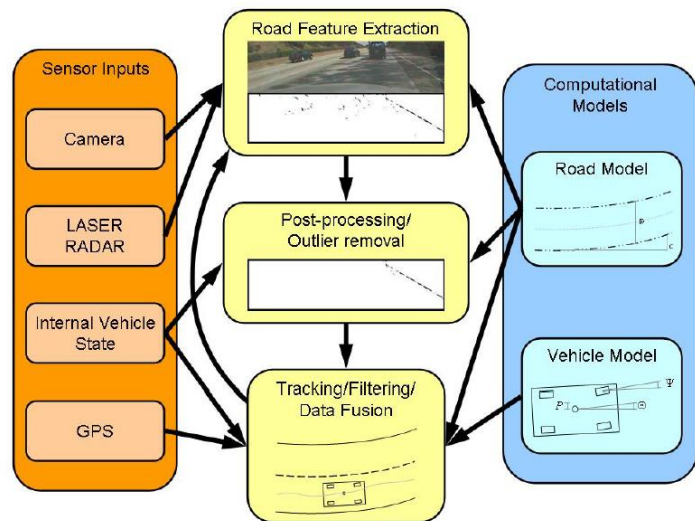


Fig. 3. Images of the same stretch of road shown in the daytime and nighttime

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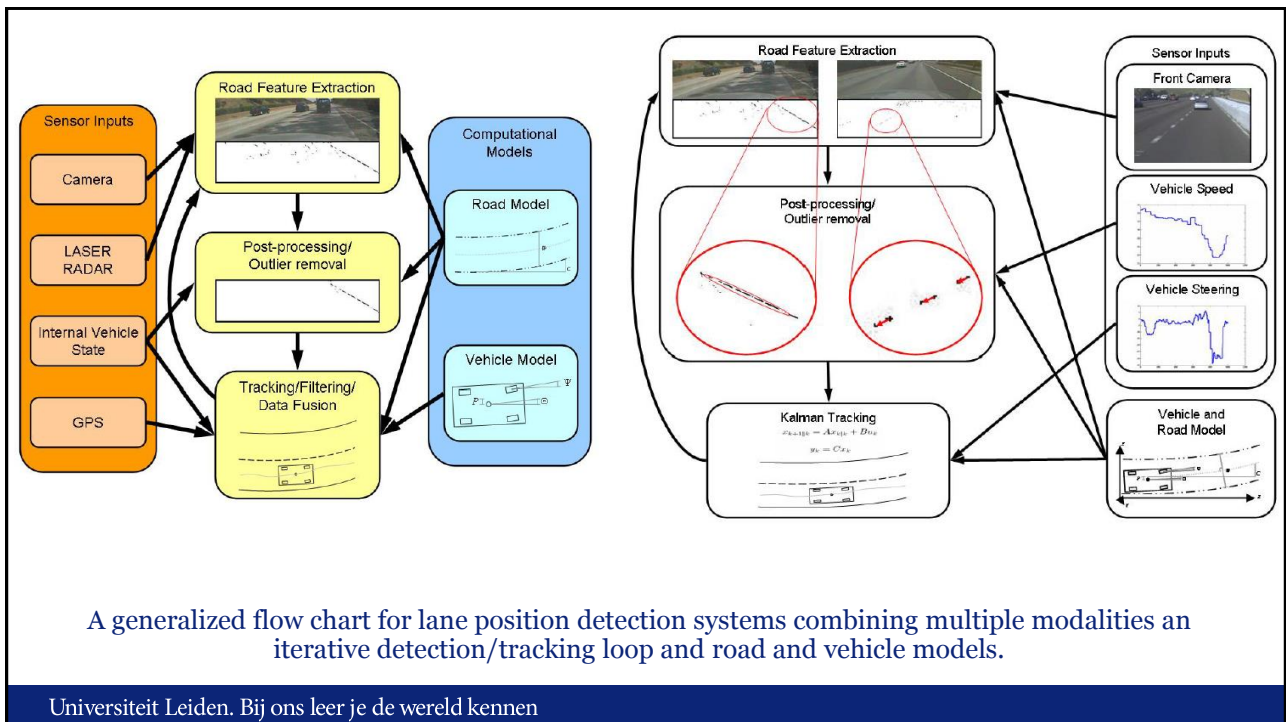
General System

1. camera and vision sensors
2. internal vehicle state sensors
e.g., speed, steering angle, etc.
3. line detectors, etc.
4. LASER RADAR sensors
5. GPS sensors



A generalized flow chart for lane position detection systems combining multiple modalities an iterative detection/tracking loop and road and vehicle models.

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Vehicle and Road Models

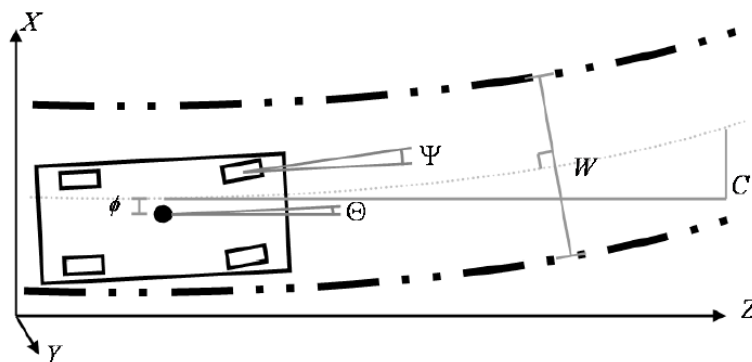


Fig. 6. Vehicle and road models used in the system. We are using a constant curvature road model and linearized vehicle dynamics for use in a Kalman filter.

Kalman Filter: Linear Quadratic Estimation to cope with noisy data.

| System | Use ^a | Road Model | Feature Extraction | Postprocessing | Tracking | Evaluation | Comments |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| VaMoRs (1992) [16] | A | Clothoid Model with vertical curvature | Edge Elements | eliminates points which are not collinear | Linear vehicle dynamics model | Single frame images | Limited processing power. Simple edge detection fails in difficult situations. |
| YARF (1995) [33] | A | Circular road segments on flat plane | Hue based segmentation and edge detection | Averaging and linear median squares estimation | Operation on single frame | Positive detection rates for feature extraction, single frame images | Multiple detectors. Limited to yellow and white stripes. |
| ALVINN (1996) [19], [36] | A | Flat road model for generating training data | Image intensity | Neural Network | None | Road tests, various error measure associated with neural networks | Neural network makes it difficult to decouple control from detection, requires lots of training |
| RALPH (1996) [25] | A B | Constant curvature on flat plane | scan line matched to template | Template matching to slowly evolving near template and fast evolving far template | No inter-frame tracking described | Single frame images | template methods can fail near construction zone or areas where the road has changed. Shows limited quantitative results |
| GOLD (1998) [20] | C | Constant lane width on flat plane | Adaptive thresholding of pixel differences | Morphological widening | Operation on single frame | Single frame images | Assumes line markings on dark road, some robustness to lighting and occlusion |
| LOIS (1998) [34] | B A | Parabolic approximation on flat plane | Edge magnitudes and orientations | Maximum a posteriori estimation evaluated by Metropolis algorithm | Kalman filtering | Error histogram from one drive. Standard deviation of error 13cm | Robust to shadowing in presence of strong lane markings. Otherwise untested. |
| LANA (1999) [24] | B A | Parabolic approximation on flat plane | DCT coefficients for diagonally dominant edges | Maximum a posteriori estimation | Operation on single frame | Single frame images, comparison to LOIS shown | Only using diagonal DCT coefficients limits detection based on orientation of vehicle |
| Taylor et al. (1999) [12] | A | Constant curvature on flat plane | Template matching | Hough transform | Kalman Filter input into various control schemes | Performance of controllers shown | Focused on controller performance. Limited real-world testing. |
| Ma et al. (2000) [13] | A B C | Circular road model on flat plane | Likelihood based on gradient image | Fusion on radar and optical images | Operation on single frame | Single frame images | Designed for elevated or bordered rural roads. |

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| Southall et al. (2001) [30] | C | Curvature and rate of change of curvature | Threshold both pixel values and cross-correlation to dark-bright-dark function | Factored sampling for particle filter | Particle Filtering via CONDENSATION | Estimates shown for an image sequence, no ground truth or quantitative results | Very limited results and testing. Unclear whether feature extraction will work in difficult situations. |
| Kwon and Lee (2002) [4], [31] | B | Piecewise linear | multiple "feature transformation modules" | combined with data fusion and constraint satisfaction, heuristic departure warning function | nonlinear filtering | analysis of departure warning system given | Good architecture for sensor fusion. Testing limited to false alarm rate of departure warning. |
| DARVIN (2002) [5] | A B | DGPS based maps of roads | Image gradient | match to DGPS data | nonlinear filtering | selected frames from experimentation | Directed towards urban driving. Heavy reliance on GPS data. |
| Lee et al. (2003) [37], [38] | B | Straight road on flat plane | Edge distribution function | Hough transform to extract lanes | Not discussed | Detection rate of lane departure warning | Robust to lighting. Will not work for circular reflectors. |
| Apostoloff et al. (2003) [29] | C | Not discussed | lane markers, road edge, color, width | Cue scheduling to determine which cues are used | Particle Filtering via Distillation | Success rate, mean absolute error for position, yaw, and road width. | Possibly fail in conditions of strong cues that contradict each other (i.e. fig. 2b) |
| Kang et al. (2003) [28] | D | Straight road on flat plane | Edge direction and magnitude | Connected-component analysis, Dynamic programming | Single frame operation | Qualitative comparison to hough transform based techniques, Single images shown | Focuses on showing visual comparison to hough transform based technique. |
| Nedevski et al. (2004) [22] | D | 3D model based on clothoids and roll angle | edge detection | outlier removal based on 3D location found with stereo camera system, roll angle detected | Kalman filtering | single images from road scenes with clearly marked lane boundaries | Simple edge detection not robust to shadows, occlusions |
| This paper (2004) | C B | Parabolic approximation on flat plane | Steerable filters, adaptive road template | Statistical and motion based outlier removal | Kalman Filtering | Extensive error evaluation described in section V-B | |

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Steerable Filters

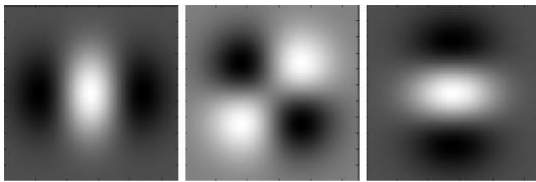


Fig. 7. A basis set for steerable filters based on the second derivatives of a two-dimensional Gaussian.



(a) A highway scene with complex shadowing from trees.



(b) Detection results for lines tuned to the lane angle.

Fig. 9. Filter results when lane markings are shadowed with complex shadows and non-uniform road materials.



(a) A typical highway scene encountered during evaluation.



(b) Results of filtering for circular reflectors.



(c) Results from filter for a line tuned to the lane angle.

Fig. 8. Application of Steerable filter road marking recognition for circular reflectors and solid lines on a highway

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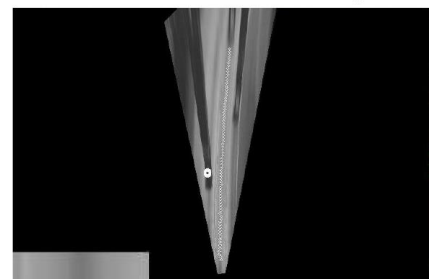
Inverse Perspective Warping and Template Matching

A perspective transformation, can be used to obtain an overview of the road ahead of the vehicle. This can make the problem of lane boundaries extraction easier.

- Curvature detection done by using an intensity template of past images in order to detect the curvature of the road ahead.



(a) Detected lanes with curvature overlaid onto image



(b) Inverse perspective warping showing curvature detection (small white dots) and template (lower left corner)

Fig. 10. Curvature detection in the VioLET lane tracking [Document] Word

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A. System Test-bed Configuration and Test Conditions



Fig. 11. The LISA-Q intelligent vehicle test bed. Inset are close up views of the front camera (left inset) used for detection and tracking and side camera (right inset) used for generating ground truth.

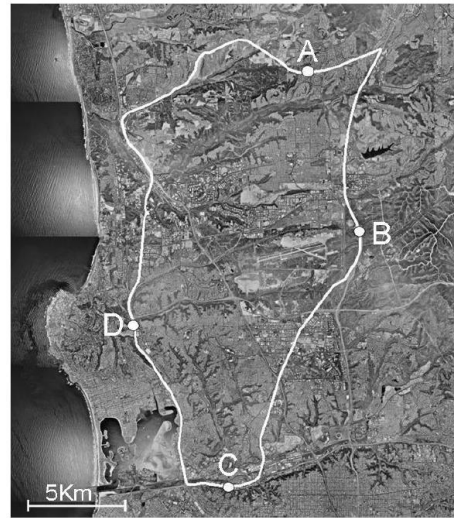


Fig. 14. The 65Km route in San Diego used in the evaluation. The route is overlaid on aerial photography. Points A, B, C, and D are sections of road used in the evaluation (photography courtesy USGS)

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Results



Fig. 15. Screens from dawn (row 1), daytime (row 2), dusk (row 3), and nighttime (row 4) data runs for each of the four sections of road (A, B, C, and D in figure 14). These screens show the environmental variability caused by road markings and surfaces, weather, and lighting.

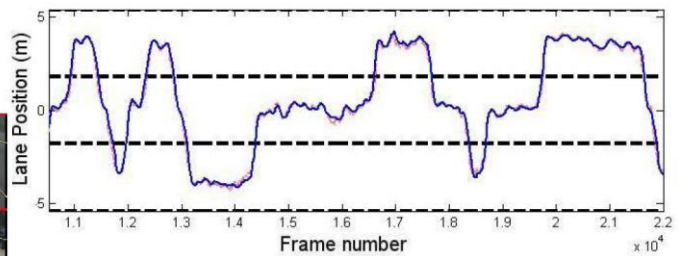


Fig. 12. Detected lateral position in meters (solid blue) superimposed on ground truth (dashed pink) plotted vs. frame number with dashed lines marking the position of lane boundaries for an 11,000 frame (slightly over 6 minute) sequence.

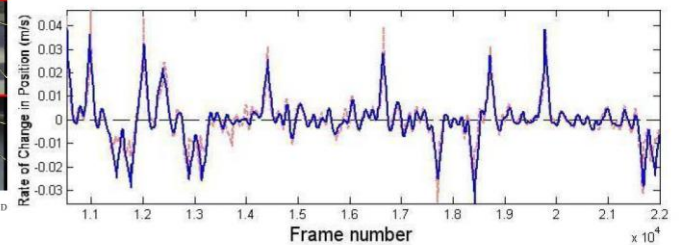


Fig. 13. Detected departure rate in m/s^2 (solid blue) superimposed on ground truth (dashed pink) plotted vs. frame number with dashed line marking the abscissa for the same sequence shown in figure 12.

Ground truth = pink dashed line

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Challenges: Occlusions and Highlights

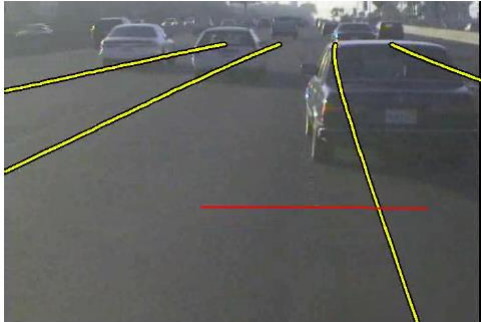


Fig. 16. Error due to occlusion of the road by a vehicle on the dusk dataset on road segment C. The red horizontal line shows the proximity of the occluding vehicle detected by the in-vehicle LASER RADAR sensors.



Fig. 17. Scenes from the special case scenarios of complex shadowing (top row) and tunnels (bottom row). These scenes highlight the extreme variability that can occur within short sections of road.

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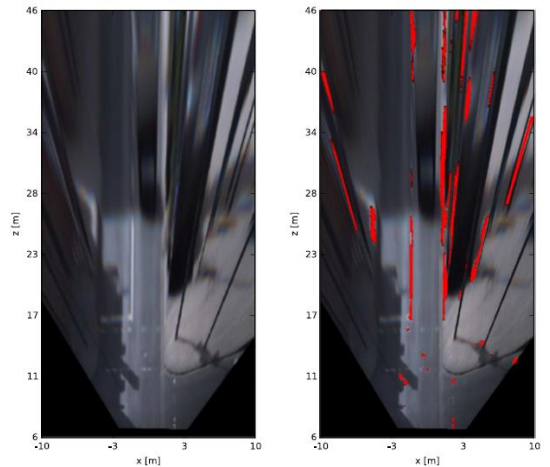
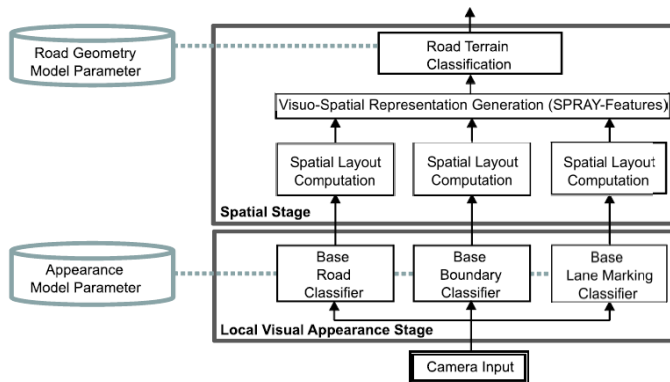
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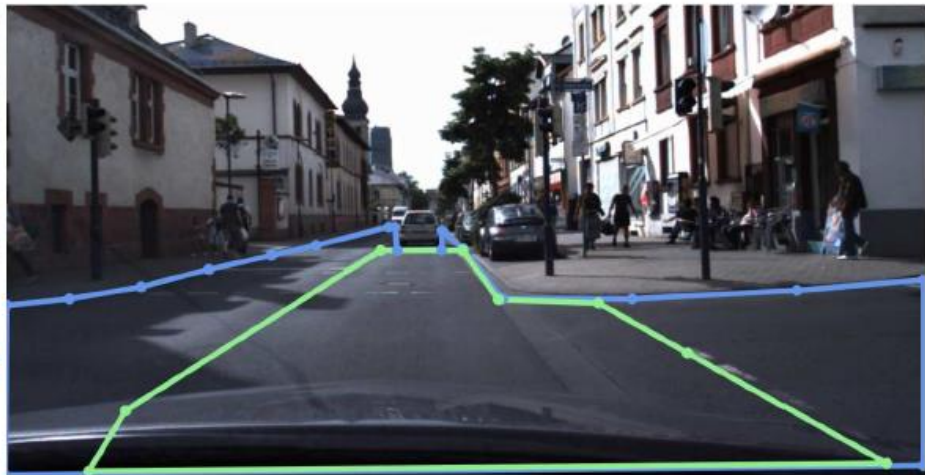
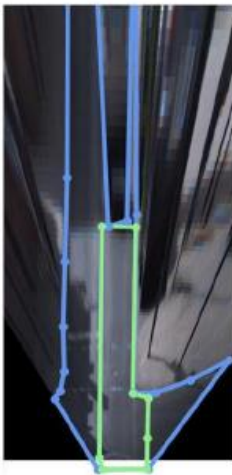
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Overview System



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Ground Truth

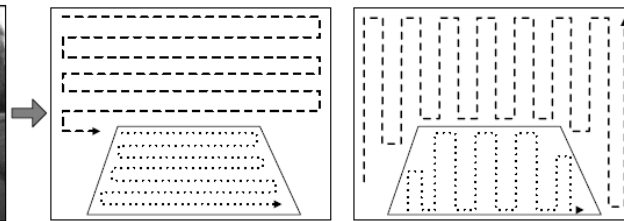
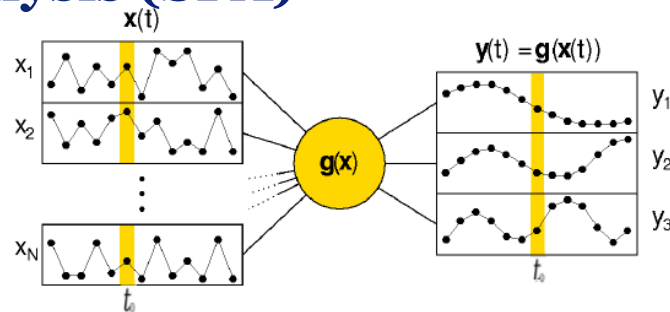


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Slow Feature Analysis (SFA)

Slow Feature Analysis (SFA)

Generating the slowest varying output functions $y_i(t)$ from a multidimensional input signal $x(t)$



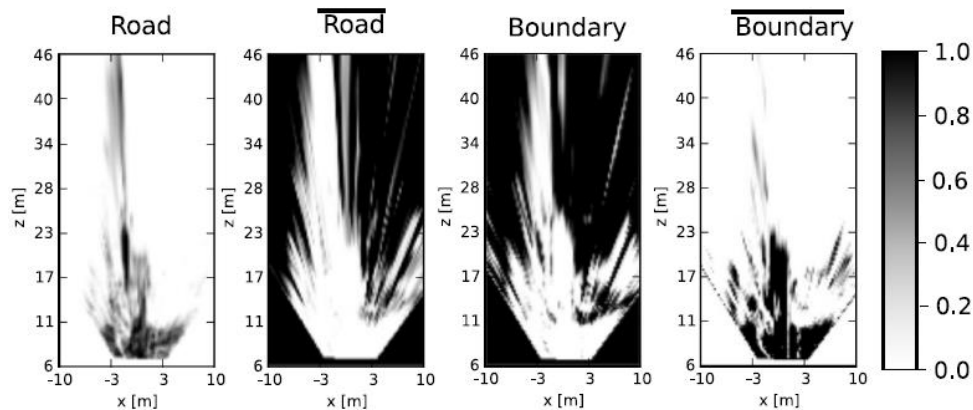
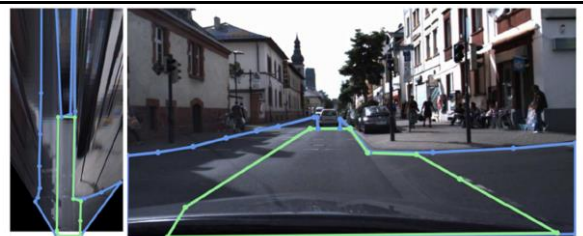
Spatial patch sequence extraction for SFA training: on the left the horizontal path and on the right the vertical path is illustrated. The paths are partitioned into road (dotted) and non-road (dashed) sections.

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Result of the base road and base boundary classification for the given ground truth scene.

From left to right the positive and negative part of the confidence values is depicted for each base classifier.

Dark points denote high confidence of the classification.

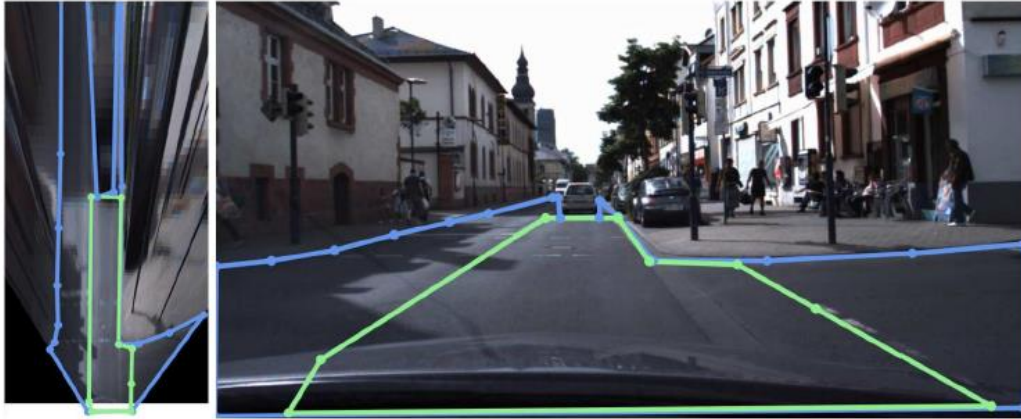


Feature vectors:

- SFA features
- Color features (RGB)
- Walsh Hadamard texture features

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Ground Truth



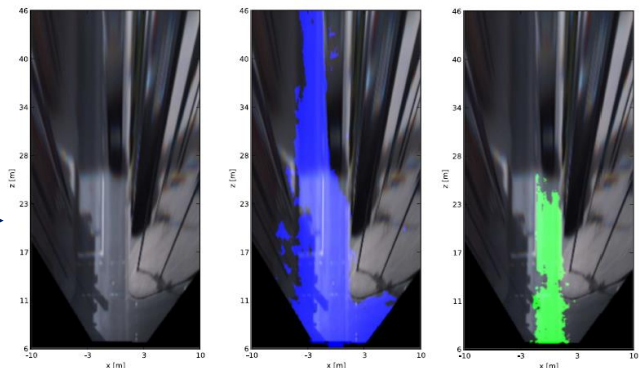
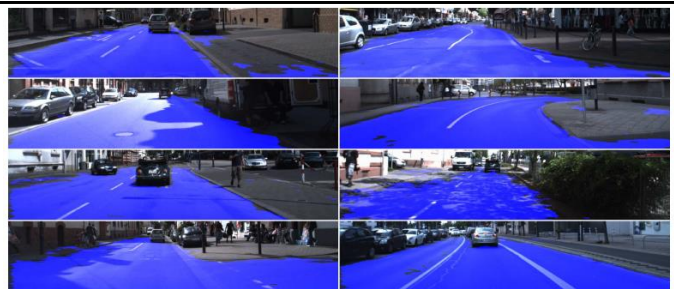
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Results



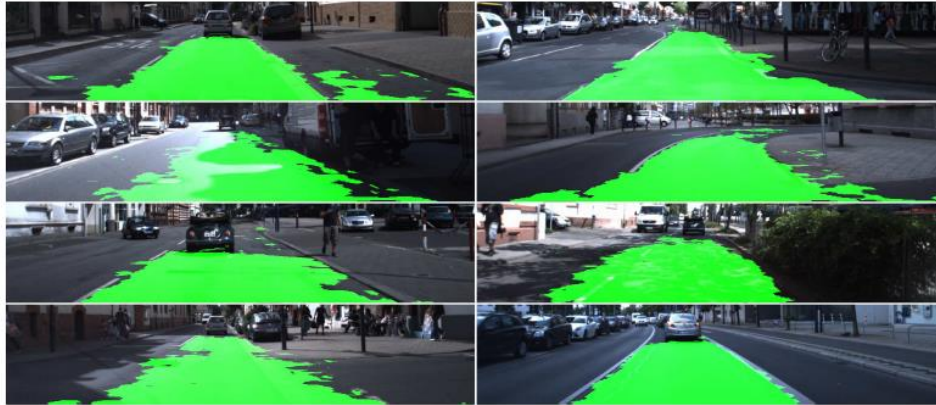
Result of the road terrain classification for the ground truth (above):

- The classification result for road area (middle blue).
- The classification result for the ego-lane (right green)



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Results



- Ego Lanes

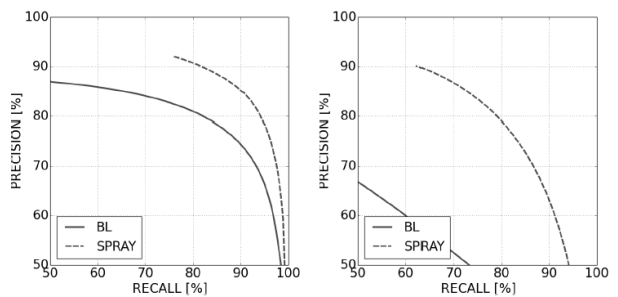
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Results

RESULTS OF PIXEL-BASED EVALUATION.

| perspective road area | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|-----------|-------|--------|------|------|------------|
| | AP | F_{max} | Prec. | Recall | Acc | FPR | Q_{test} |
| BL | 89.1 | 85.6 | 79.4 | 92.8 | 78.9 | 50.4 | 74.8 |
| SPRAY | 95.6 | 94.5 | 94.0 | 95.0 | 92.5 | 12.8 | 89.5 |
| metric road area | | | | | | | |
| | AP | F_{max} | Prec. | Recall | Acc | FPR | Q_{test} |
| BL | 70.0 | 66.3 | 56.4 | 80.5 | 68.1 | 39.7 | 49.6 |
| SPRAY | 89.8 | 87.0 | 87.1 | 86.9 | 89.9 | 8.2 | 77.0 |
| perspective ego-lane | | | | | | | |
| | AP | F_{max} | Prec. | Recall | Acc | FPR | Q_{test} |
| BL | 80.1 | 81.7 | 76.4 | 87.7 | 90.2 | 9.0 | 69.1 |
| SPRAY | 85.2 | 87.6 | 84.7 | 90.6 | 93.6 | 5.4 | 77.9 |
| metric ego-lane | | | | | | | |
| | AP | F_{max} | Prec. | Recall | Acc | FPR | Q_{test} |
| BL | 61.7 | 60.3 | 56.6 | 64.6 | 92.5 | 4.8 | 43.2 |
| SPRAY | 78.9 | 79.5 | 79.6 | 79.4 | 96.4 | 2.0 | 66.0 |

(BL = Baseline)



(a) Perspective evaluation

(b) Metric evaluation

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{tp}{tp + fp}$$

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{tp + tn}{tp + tn + fp + fn}$$

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{tp}{tp + fn}$$

$$F = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$

Harmonic mean of precision and recall.

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Image Processing using OpenCV



Core module: the basic building blocks of this library for manipulating the images on a pixel level.

Imgproc module: the image processing (manipulation) functions inside OpenCV.

High Level GUI and Media (highgui module)

Image Input and Output (imgcodecs module)

Video Input and Output (videoio module)

Camera calibration and 3D reconstruction (calib3d module)

2D Features framework (feature2d module): feature points detectors, descriptors and matching framework found inside OpenCV.

Video analysis (video module) algorithms usable on your video streams like motion extraction, feature tracking and foreground extractions.

Object Detection (objdetect module) face detectors, etc.

Deep Neural Networks (dnn module)

Machine Learning (ml module) machine learning classes for statistical classification, regression and clustering of data.

Graph API (gapi module)

Computational photography (photo module) for advanced photo processing.

Images stitching (stitching module) create photo panoramas and more with OpenCV stitching pipeline.

GPU-Accelerated Computer Vision (cuda module); OpenCV iOS:

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Lane Tracking

Some example project for detecting road features using OpenCV:

<https://navoshta.com/detecting-road-features/> by Alex Staravoi tau



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Overview Processing Pipeline

Camera calibration

- Each camera gives image distortions, these can be rectified using information from a camera calibration. OpenCV has functionality to calibrate and correct camera images. Calibration is done using chessboard images.

Edge detection

- OpenCV has many different edge detectors using gradient and color information. These edges can be used for the detection of structures such as lines etc.

Perspective transformation

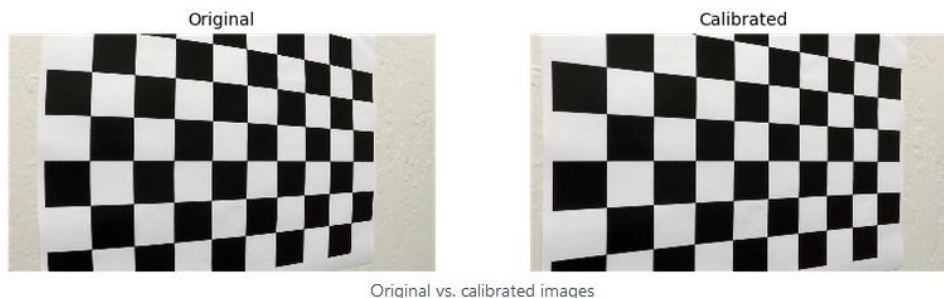
- A perspective transformation, can be used to obtain an overview of the road ahead of the vehicle. This can make the problem of lane boundaries extraction easier.

Fitting boundary lines

- The resulting frame pixels are determined that may belong to lane boundaries.
- These are then used to approximate lines, road properties and vehicle position.
- Furthermore a rough estimate on road curvature and vehicle position within the lane is determined using known road dimensions.

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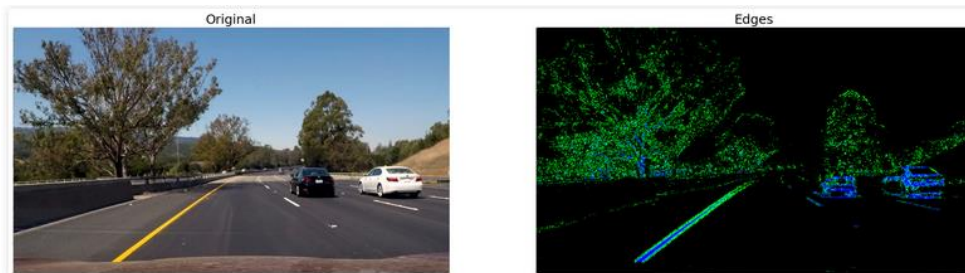
Processing Pipeline: Camera Calibration



```
... cv2.findChessboardCorners(image, (9, 6), None) // Inner corners 9x6
... cv2.calibrateCamera( pattern_points, image_points, (image.shape[1], image.shape[0]), None, None)
corrected_image = cv2.undistort(image, self.camera_matrix, self.dist_coefficients, None, self.camera_matrix)
```

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Processing Pipeline: Edge Detection



Original vs. highlighted edges

Gradient Absolute Values, Ranges within certain magnitudes, Gradient Directions

- Sobel Operator (using a convolutional Kernel)

Color Ranges

- HLS Color Space: Hue, Lightness, and Saturation (for road detection, etc.)

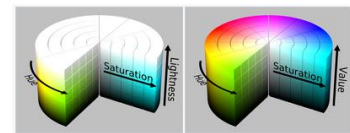


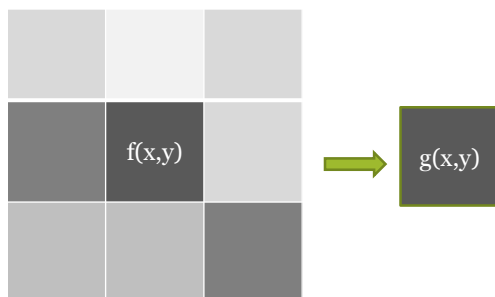
Fig. 2a. HSL cylinder.

Fig. 2b. HSV cylinder.

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Image Processing using Convolutional Kernel

$$g(x, y) = \omega * f(x, y) = \sum_{dx=-a}^a \sum_{dy=-b}^b \omega(dx, dy) f(x + dx, y + dy)$$



| Operation | Kernel ω | Image result $g(x, y)$ |
|----------------|---|------------------------|
| Identity | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| Edge detection | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| | $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 8 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| Sharpen | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kernel_\(image_processing\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kernel_(image_processing))

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Processing Pipeline: Perspective Transformation



Original vs. bird's eye view

```
.... transform_matrix = cv2.getPerspectiveTransform(source, destination)
.... image = cv2.warpPerspective(image, transform_matrix, (w, h))
```

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Processing Pipeline: Perspective Transformation



Boundary detection pipeline

Left: The *original* image after the camera calibration and perspective transform.

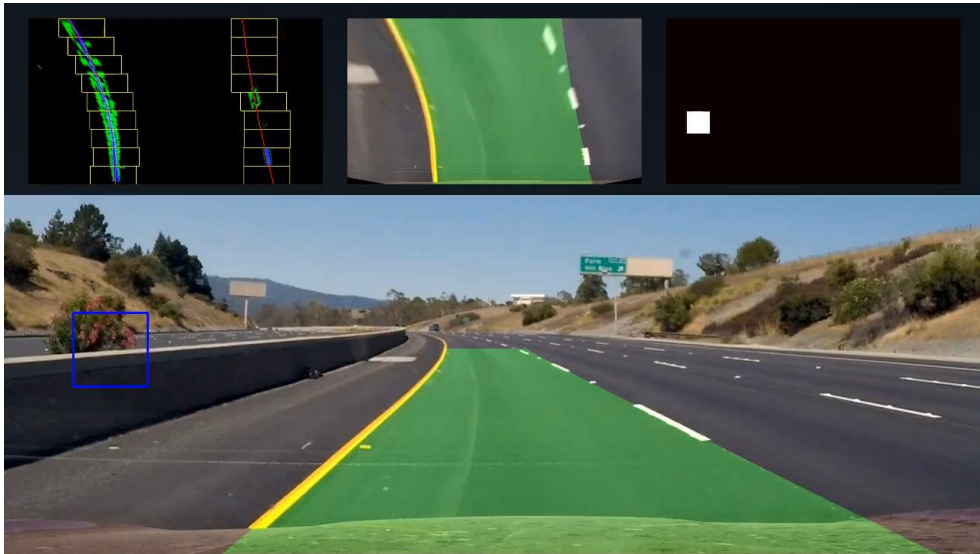
Right: After edge detection with edges highlighted in **green** and **blue**.

Scanning windows boundaries for areas with pixel that may belong to lines are highlighted in **yellow**,

A second order polynomial approximation of the collected points in **red**.

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Lane and Vehicle Tracking



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Some remarks

Alex Staravoi tau:

“This clearly is a very naive way of detecting and tracking road features, and wouldn’t be used in real world application as-is, since it is likely to fail in too many scenarios: “

- Going up or down the hill.
- Changing weather conditions.
- Worn out lane markings.
- Obstruction by other vehicles or vehicles obstructing each other.
- Vehicles and vehicle positions different from those classifier was trained on.
- ...

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Organization and Overview

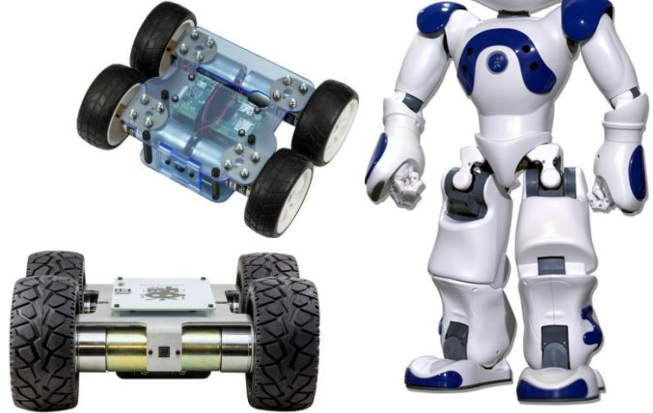
Period: February 1st – May 10th 2021
Time: Tuesday 16.15 – 18.00
Place: <https://smart.newrow.com/#/room/qba-943>
Lecturer: Dr Erwin M. Bakker (erwin@liacs.nl)
Assistant: Erqian Tang

NB Register on Brightspace

Schedule:

| | |
|------|---|
| 1-2 | Introduction and Overview |
| 8-2 | No Class (Dies) |
| 15-2 | Locomotion and Inverse Kinematics |
| 22-2 | Robotics Sensors and Image Processing |
| 1-3 | Yetiborg Introduction + SLAM Workshop I |
| 8-3 | Project Proposals (presentation by students) |
| 15-3 | Robotics Vision |
| 22-3 | Robotics Reinforcement Learning |
| 29-3 | Yetiborg Qualification + Robotics Reinforcement Learning Workshop II |
| 5-4 | No Class (Eastern) |
| 12-4 | Project Progress (presentations by students) |
| 19-4 | Yetiborg Challenge |
| 26-4 | Project Team Meetings |
| 3-5 | Project Team Meetings |
| 10-5 | Online Project Demos |

Website: <http://liacs.leidenuniv.nl/~bakkerem2/robotics/>



Grading (6 ECTS):

- Presentations and Robotics Project (60% of grade).
- Class discussions, attendance, workshops and assignments (40% of grade).
- It is necessary to be at every class and to complete every workshop.

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Robotics Project Proposals Presentations

Monday 8-3 2021

Present your Robotics Project Proposal during a **5 minute (max)** talk. Clearly state the title of your project, the team members, your goals, how you will pursue them, what are the challenges and what at least can and should be delivered on the demo day on **May 10th 2021**.

Note: Groups of 4-5 members are allowed.

The presentation should contain slides for:

1. Title and group members.
2. Goal of the project.
3. How will you pursue these goals.
4. What are the challenges.
5. What at least can and should be delivered on the demo day on **May 10th 2021**.

The LIACS Media Lab can support your project with some materials for your project. Please clearly state any materials that you would need for your proposal. Note that these materials are limited so project goals may need to be adjusted accordingly.

Each presentation will be followed by a short class discussion.

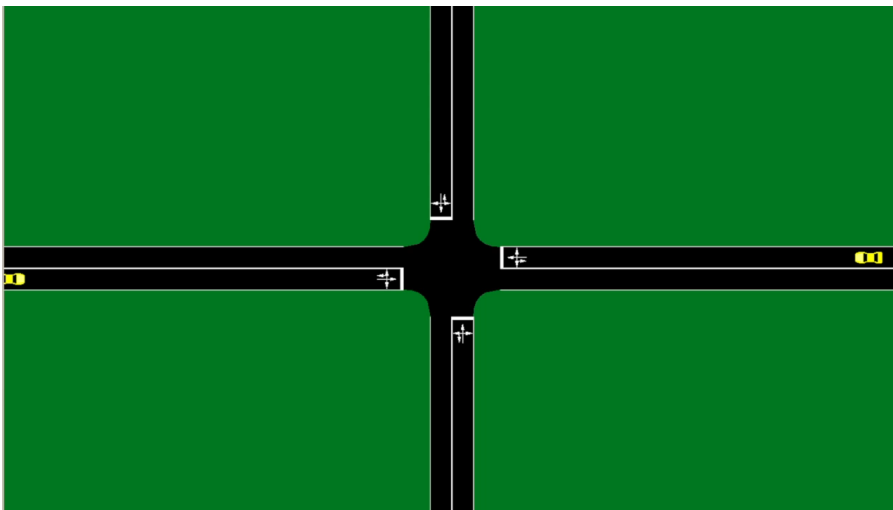
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Previous Projects

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. Evolutionary Locomotion | 1. AimBot |
| 2. Nao plays Tic-Tac-Toe | 2. Artificial Muscles |
| 3. Slam Robot Project. | 3. Ball Tracking Car |
| 4. Dolphin Drone: Drone Recognition and Maneuvering with Hoops. | 4. BorrelBot |
| 5. Delivery Drone. | 5. Fetch Bot |
| 6. Programming a NAO to play a tune using a xylophone. | 6. Floor Mapping Robot |
| 7. Floor mapping with Swarm Robotics | 7. Gesture Control Pachenko |
| 8. Toothballing Yetiborg | 8. Hexapod |
| 9. Cat Flap Opening Based on Audio/Video/RFID | 9. Nao Pose |
| 10. DrawBot | 10. Position Estimation |
| 11. Traffic coordination (simulation). | 11. Race Car Training |
| 12. Plane filling curves (simulation). | 12. Face Touch |

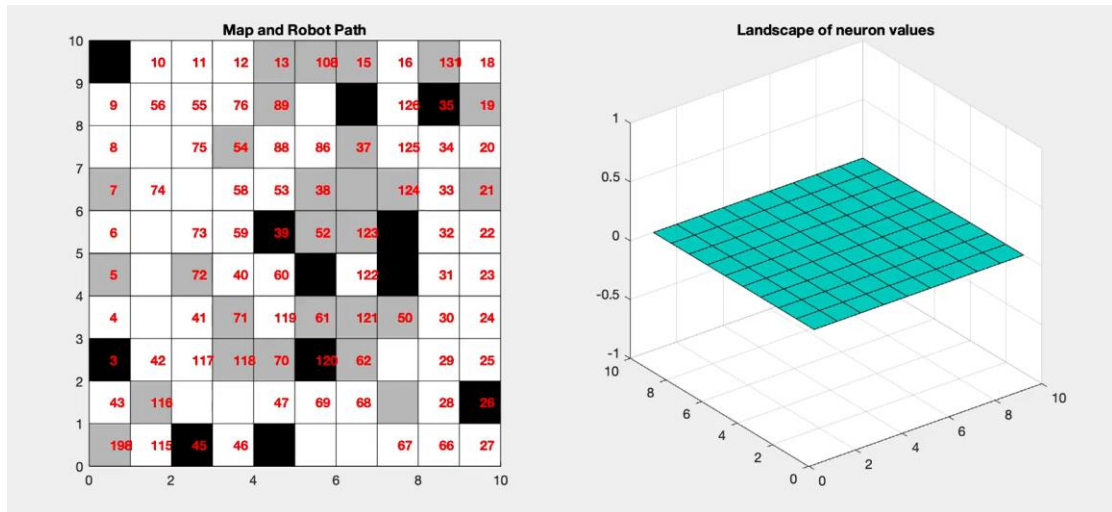
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Traffic coordination (simulation).



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Roombas with Brains: Neural Networks for Coverage Path Planning



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Gesture Controlled Pachenko

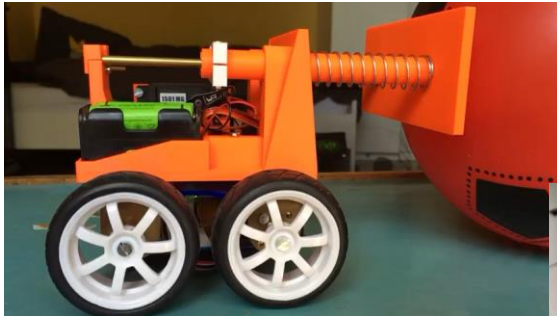
Gesture Controlled Pachinko Game

Aaron Dunlea, Nathan van der Putten, Malte Wilhelm



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Traffic coordination (simulation).

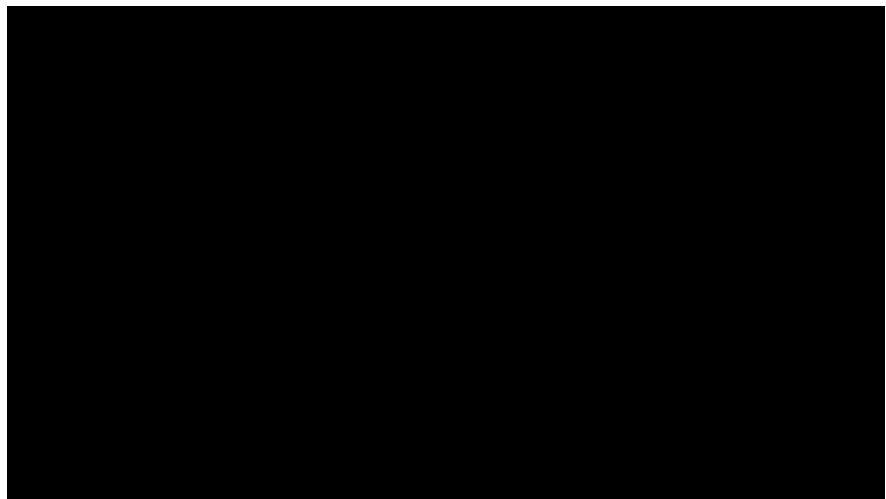


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DrawBot
AimBot
FetchBot

Cellular Automaton: [https://youtu.be/maC1eo8 -II](https://youtu.be/maC1eo8-II)
Dragon Curve: https://youtu.be/9ilDP_pvDEk

<https://vimeo.com/425043774>



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Robotics Discussion Session

Wednesday 24-2 at 15.15

Robotics Kaltura Room

During this session we discuss some practical aspects of robotics in an informal and interactive setting.

Especially for people who did not work with microcontrollers, servo's, sensors etc. before.