



Information Integrity for Automated Vehicles: Localization, Maps and Perception

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SIVALab

This joint laboratory's research focus is on controlling the integrity of navigation information for ADAS functions and autonomous navigation in intelligent vehicles

Main focus on

- Perception
- Localization
- Digital maps



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Complex and opened navigation environments

Information sources can be severely disturbed



Information integrity

" I prefer not to know where I am than to think I am where I am not "

*A statement attributed to one of the Cassini brothers,
the famous French geographers
who first mapped France (16th century)*



César-François Cassini

A high-integrity system is a system that provides erroneous information at a very low rate

Integrity monitoring depends on the use of the information and therefore on the navigation tasks to be performed

Information integrity

The integrity problem is due to unavoidable uncertainties associated with the information provided by the sources

Information has to be

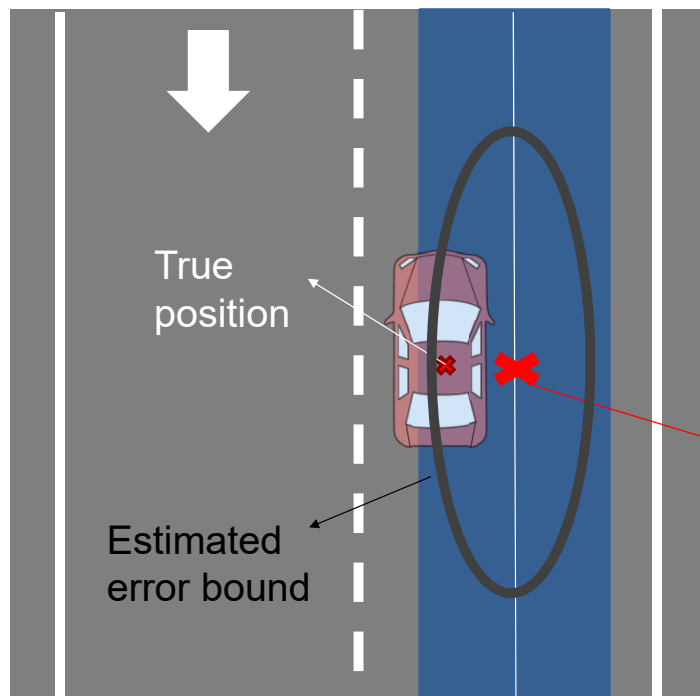
- Accurate enough for the tasks to be performed
- Available at a sufficiently high rate
- Non-misleading and Trustworthy

Integrity involves combining and merging data from complementary, diversified and redundant sources

- Complementarity for covering all possible situations in a given ODD
- Diversification enables the system to adapt to navigation conditions
- Redundancy is necessary for fault detection and isolation, and is useful for improving estimation quality

Bounding errors for autonomous driving

1



Nominal case $e < PL < AL$

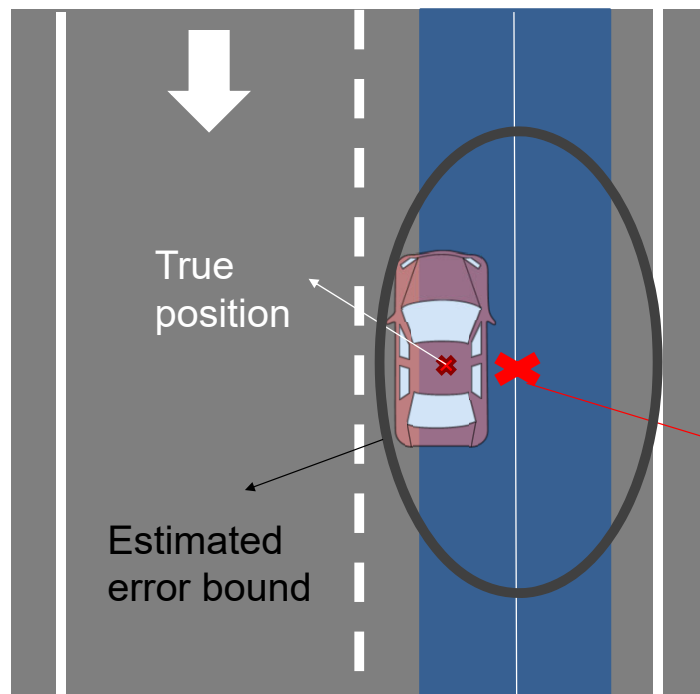
estimated position

The error is correctly bounded. OK!

The bound is in the limit → use

Bounding errors for autonomous driving

2



The localization system is unavailable

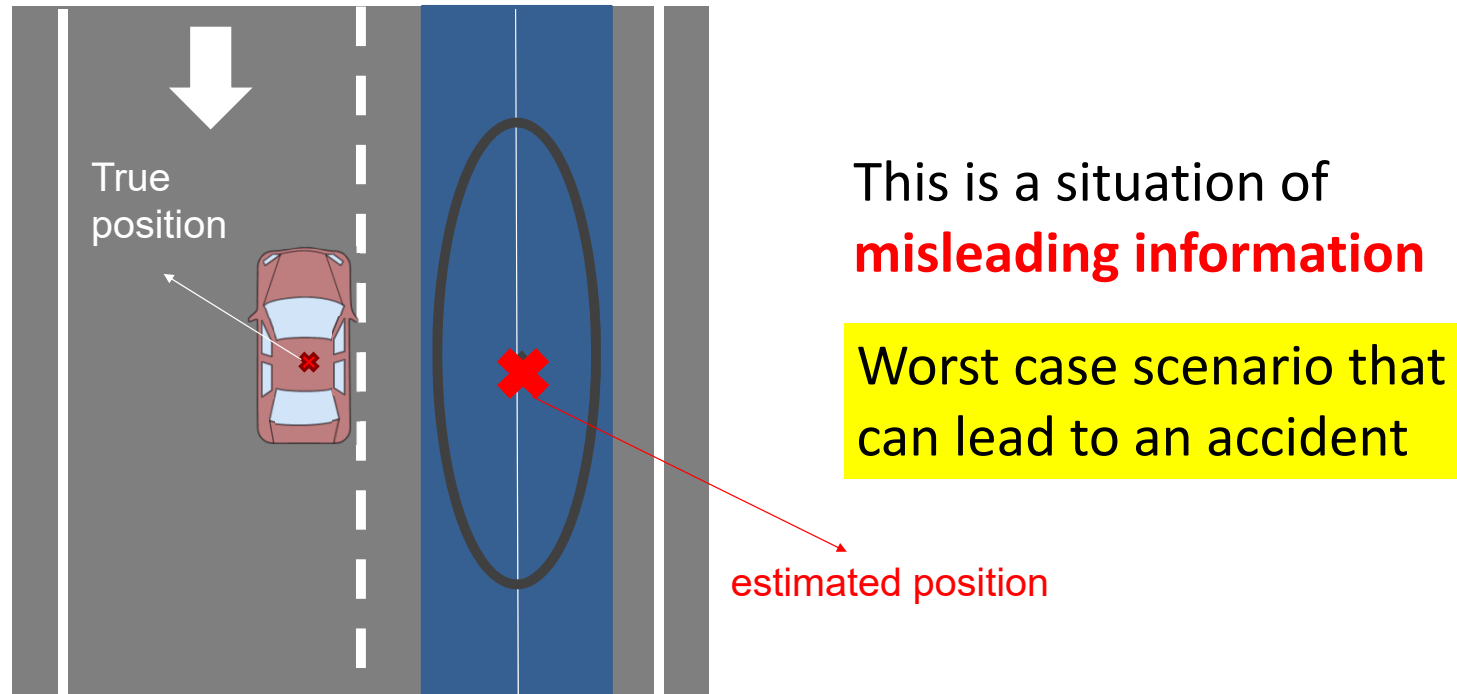
estimated position

The error is correctly bounded. OK!

The bound is out of the limit → Don't use

Bounding errors for autonomous driving

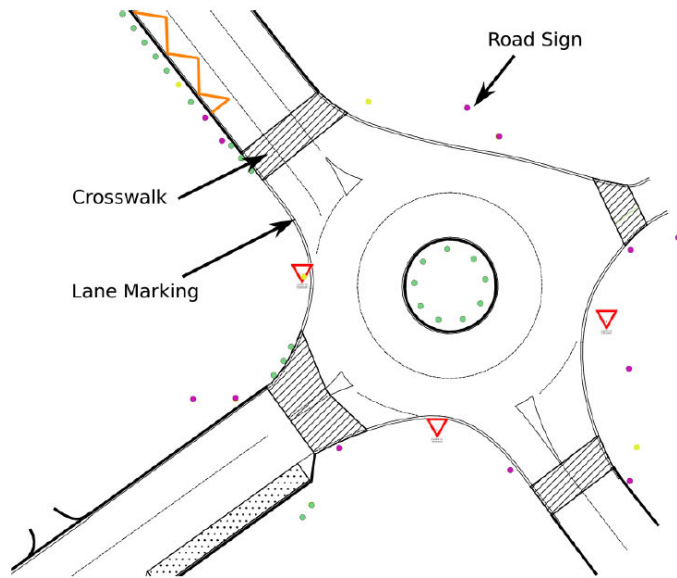
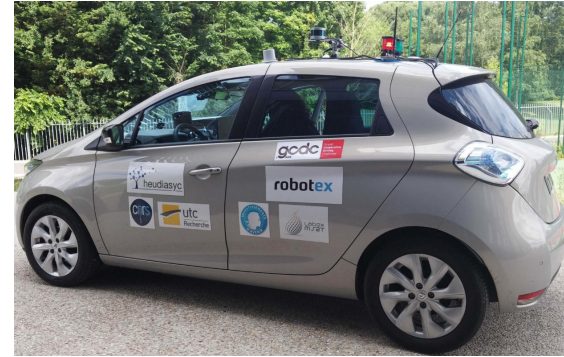
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The error is **NOT** correctly bounded

The bound is in the limit → use

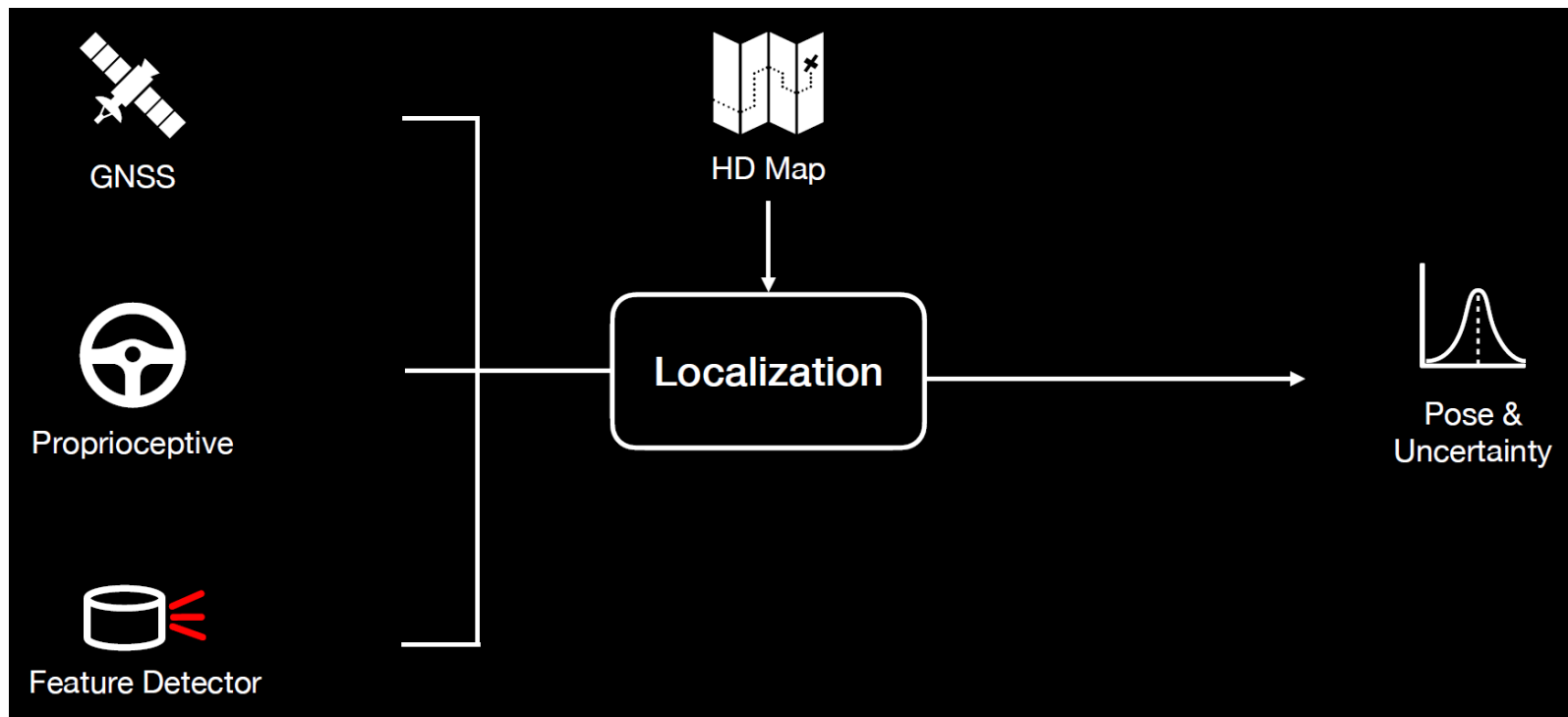
Map-aided localization



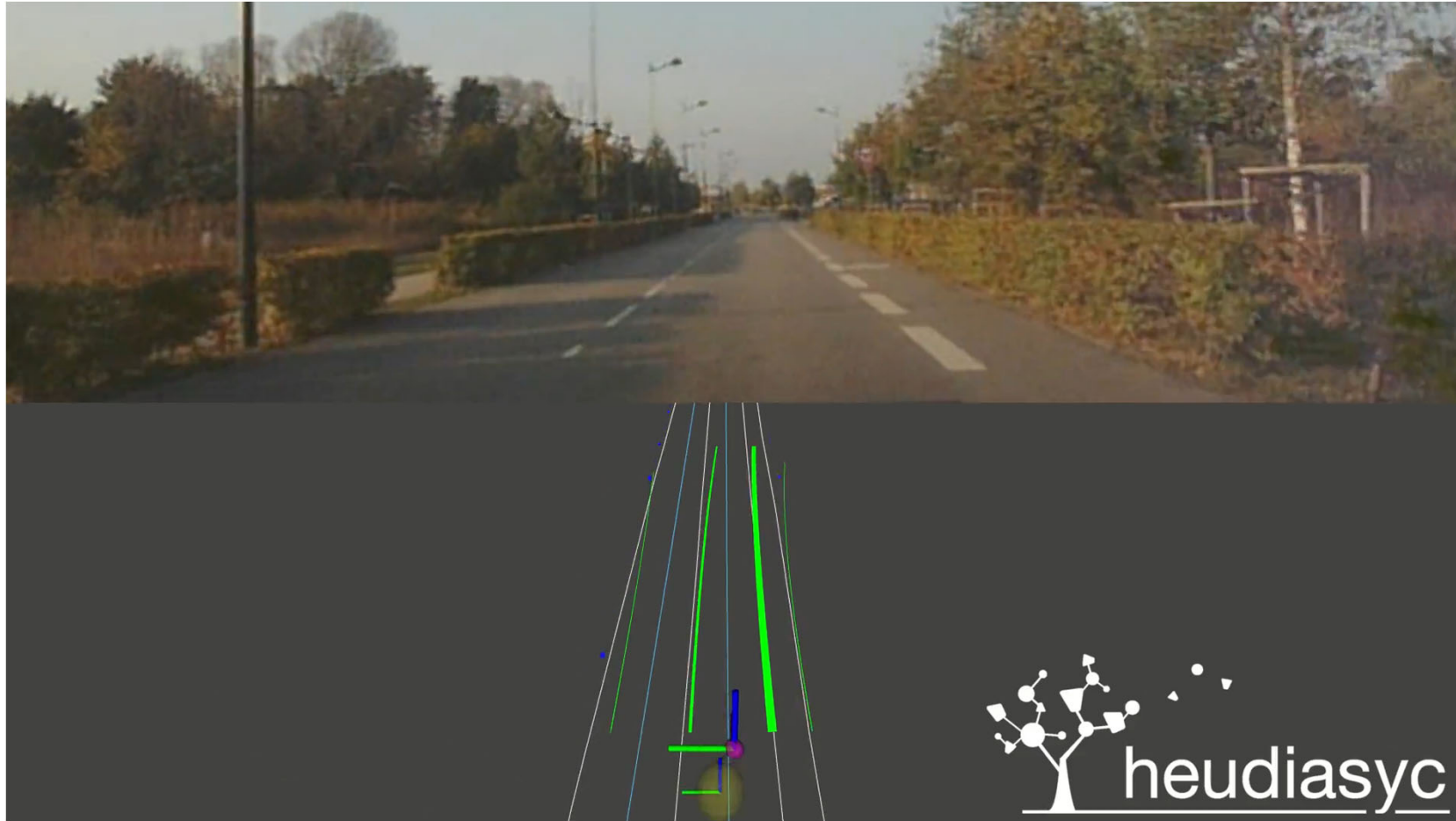
HD map



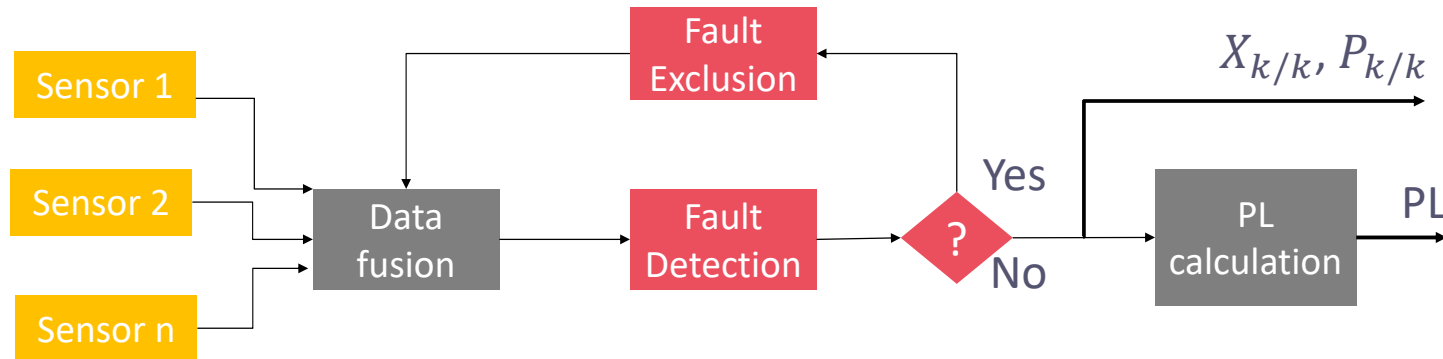
Localization Architecture



Localization with multi-lane camera measurements



Robust multi-sensor data fusion with FDE and PL computation



Faults are due to:

- GNSS NLOS
- Data association errors with the HD map
- Errors in georeferenced features

J Al Hage, N Salvatico, P Bonnifait, High Integrity Localization of Intelligent Vehicles with Students t Filtering and Fault Exclusion. IEEE ITSC 2023. Session [AGP03] Wednesday 27. 3 PM.

Map Error Detection

Map features (always) change

— They can be modified and they can get damaged

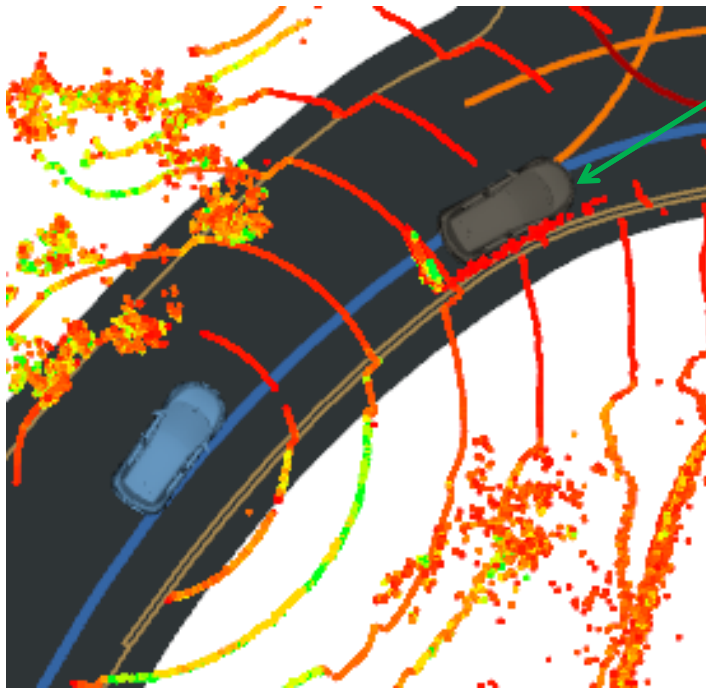


Proposed solution: post-processing of multiple drives using smoothing and residuals

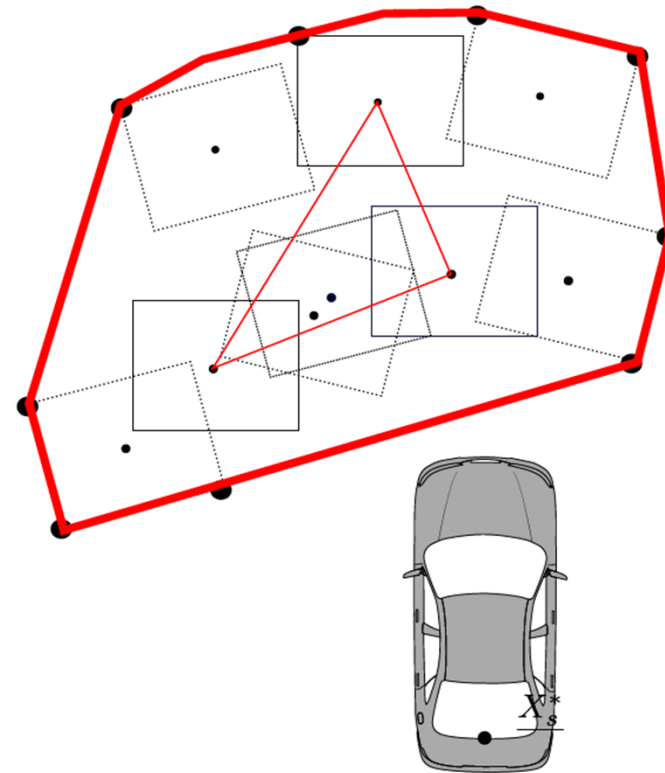
A Welte, P Xu, P Bonnifait, C Zinoune, HD Map Errors Detection using Smoothing and Multiple Drives, IEEE IV 2021

Localization Uncertainty Propagation on Perception

Detected vehicle

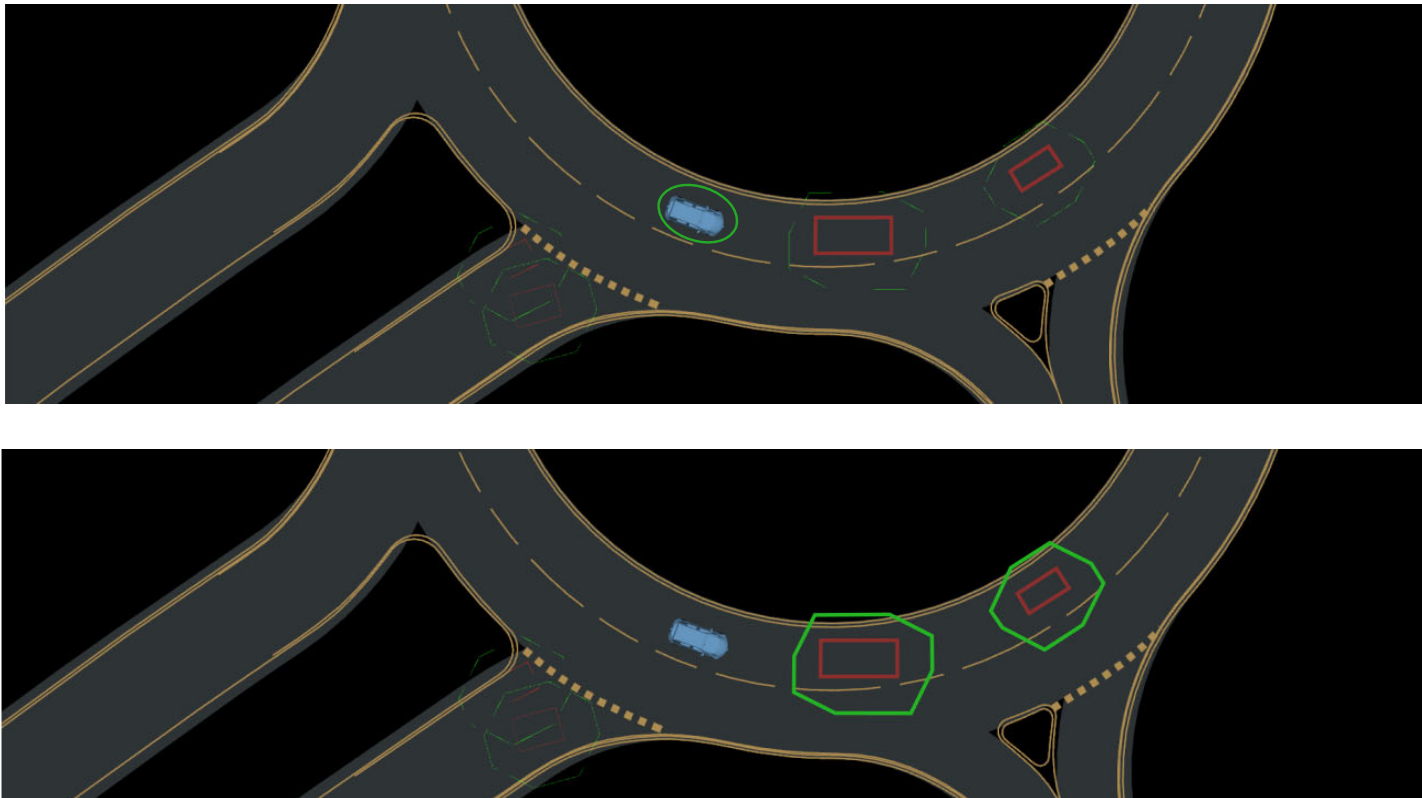


Lidar point cloud



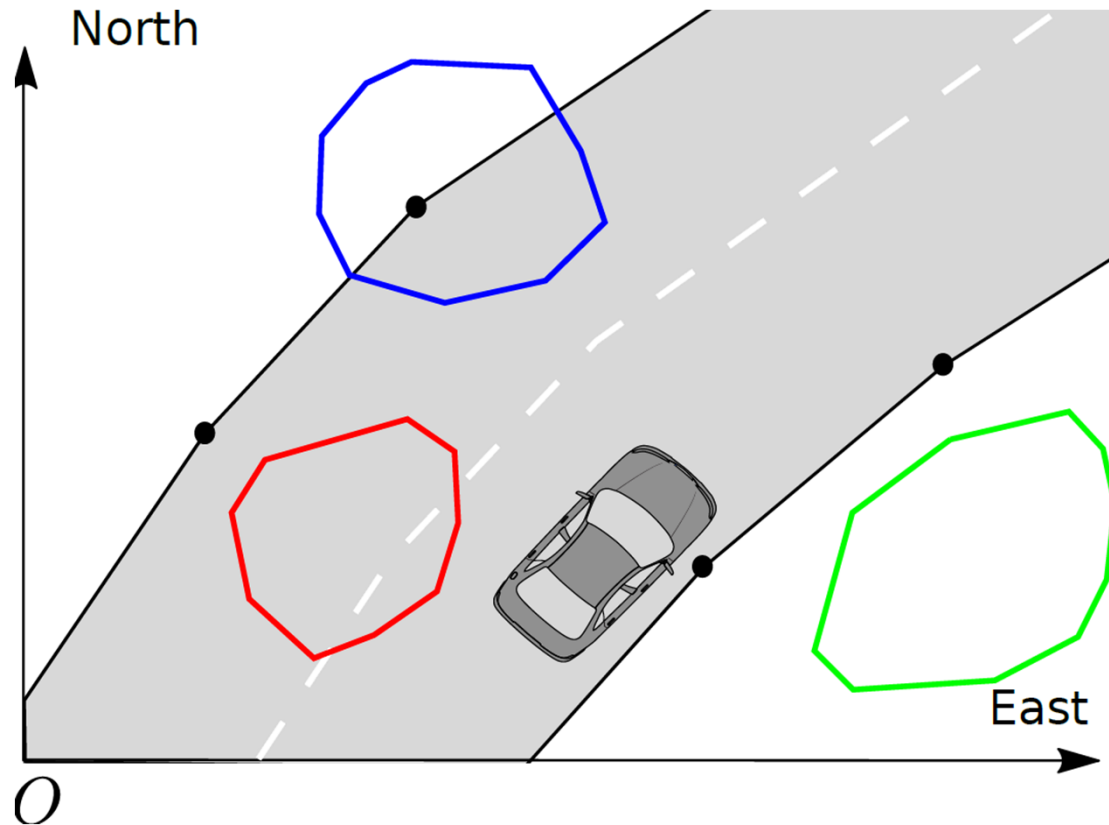
Minkowski sum

Perception Uncertainty Propagation



Map-filtering

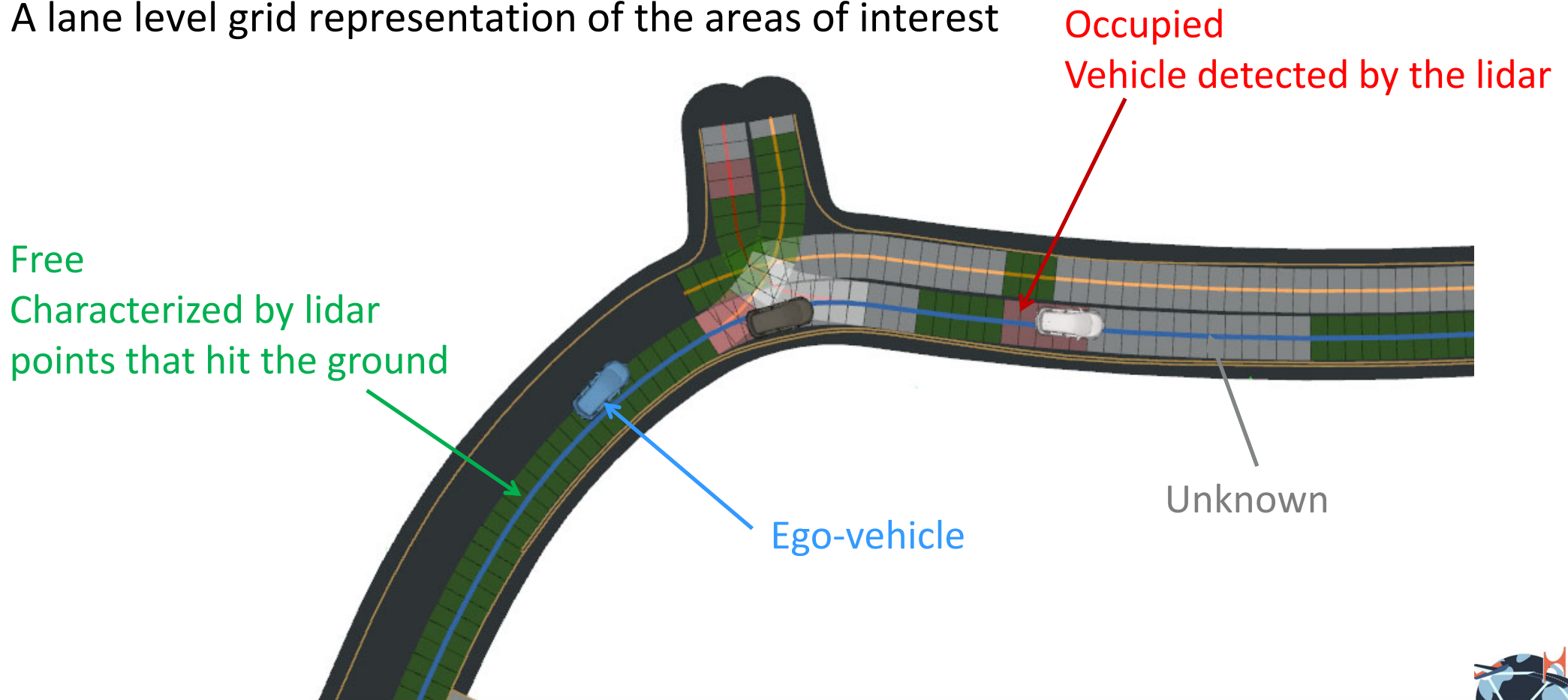
Input: bounding polygons in the vector map frame



- Road objects
- Overlapping or uncertain objects
- Non road objects

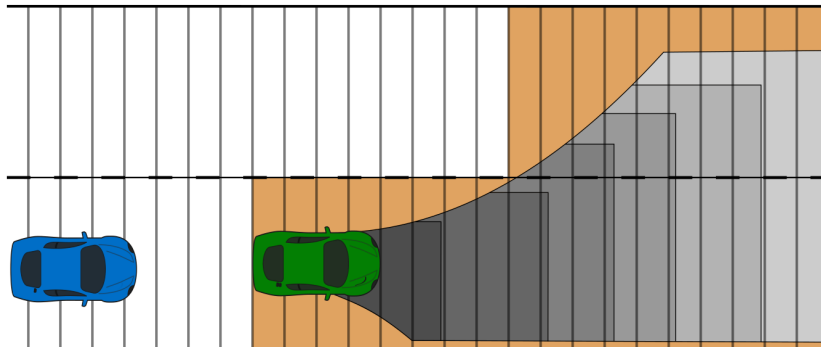
Lane Grid Map

A lane level grid representation of the areas of interest



Integrity of LGM Predictions

A predicted LGM is a discretized reachable set



Non reachable	Reachable	
<i>Free (F)</i>	<i>Occupied (O)</i>	<i>Unknown (U)</i>

True $LGM(t)$	Predicted $LGM(t t_0)$	
	Reach.	Non-reachable
Occupied	Non-Misleading (1)	Hazardous (2)
Free	Non-Hazardous (3)	Non-Misleading (4)

Integrity table

C. Sanchez, P Xu, P Bonnifait.
 Integrity Management of the Reachable
 Space With Lane Grid Maps
 IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles 2022

Roundabouts crossing with Integrity

Experiments in Rambouillet on roads with opened traffic



S Masi, P Xu, P Bonnifait, Roundabout crossing with interval occupancy and virtual instances of road users, IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems. 2021.



Have a nice iLoc Workshop!

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