Self-Driving Cars

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Finalist Locations



11 university teams

2005 Grand Challenge New Entry





States with permits for self-driving cars (2014)



States with permits for self-driving cars (2016)



States who've tried self-driving cars legislation (2016)





A self-driving car outside Google headquarters in By CLAIRE CAIN MILLER and MATTHEW L. WALD Published: May 30, 2013

SAN FRANCISCO — Companies f Germany are developing cars tha themselves. Now the federal age to come along for the ride.



By Erico Guizzo Posted 18 Oct 2011 | 9:00 GMT



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amous vehicles are now out in the open, mublic roads and, on

Google Says Self-Driving Cars Run Over Fewer Pedestrians

<u>Google Goog +0.19%</u> is hopeful that it can design software that can navigate a full-size car through all the perils of city traffic without the risk of committing the first-ever case of robotic vehicular manslaughter along the way.



The company says its self-driving cars have logged over 700,000 miles without the assistance of a human driver so far, but now it's refining its self-driving software to focus on really mastering the finer points of city driving, which Google notes can be "much more complex" than freeway driving.

Volvo breaks new ground with amazin mart Mobility "ZERO" new self-driving car tech

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Are self-driving cars for real? Or just a shallow distraction, a kind of Hollywood-style robo-chic?

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If our recent trip to a test facility near Gothenburg, Sweden

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That's right, Volvo's ambition is to ensure nobc even seriously injured in its cars. And the plan cars that can achieve that aim by 2020.

technologies, many of which fall into the self-driving category. And we've driven prototypes featuring all of them. Or not driven them, if you see what we mean.

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Estimated cost of equipment only: \$250,000







Figure 1 The number of source lines of code (SLOC) has exploded in avionics software



Notes: SLOC for F-16 and F-22 are at first operational flight. F-35 SLOC figures are from first test flight and current estimates/sources.

Sources: P. Judas and L.E. Prokop, "A historical compilation of software metrics with applicability to NASA's Orion spacecraft flight software sizing," Innovations in Systems and Software Engineering, vol. 7 issue 3, September 2011. p. 161–170; Andrea Shalal-Esa, "Pentagon focused on resolving F-35 software issues," Reuters, March 2012; Robert N. Charette, "F-35 Program Continues to Struggle with Software," IEEE Spectrum, September 2012

Process

























While functional behaviors may be (fairly) easy to test, **nonfunctional behaviors rarely compose**—and these behaviors are the ones that must be guaranteed for complex cyberphysical systems that interact with humans.



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Steve Wozniak Explains That Faulty Software Caused His Car Troubles



Rosa Golijan Filed to: CARS 2/02/10 1:33am

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Uh oh. Steve Woz is having some "very scary" trouble with his 2010 Toyota Prius. At a recent event in San Francisco he went off topic and talked about how faulty software is to blame for his car's accelerator troubles:

Toyota has this accelerator problem we've all heard about. Well, I have many models of Prius that got recalled, but I have a new model that didn't get recalled. This new model has an accelerator that goes wild but only under certain conditions of cruise control. And I can repeat it over and over and over again—safely. This is software. It's not a bad accelerator pedal. It's very scary, but luckily for me I can hit the brakes.



http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3281562/Tesla-autopilot-fail-videos-emerge-Terrifying-footage-shows-happens-autonomous-driving-goes-wrong.html





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Generic Machine Learning Architecture





Train offline with data from human driver





Generate new exception criteria and data for regression test when user intervenes



System must be robust at runtime in order to do this.





Generate new exception criteria and data for regression test when user intervenes



<u>What's the good of a counterexample for your test case,</u> <u>if irretrievable damage is done when you get those data?</u>



Run replacement controller (or replacement sensor) live in the loop, but not hooked up to the plant.



Check the functional (and nonfunctional) viability of a cheaper sensor, or alternative controller, and upload analysis data nightly.



CARS TECHNICA / ALL THINGS AUTOMOTIVE

Another driver says Tesla's autopilot failed to brake; Tesla says otherwise

Mode confusion

Second recent autonomous accident is also blamed on driver error.

by Jonathan M. Gitlin - May 13, 2016 10:30pm CEST

On April 26, Simpson was driving north from Los Angeles on I-5, cruising in autopilot mode. "All of a sudden the car ahead of me came to a halt. There was a decent amount of space so I figured that the car was going to brake as it is supposed to and didn't brake immediately. When it became apparent that the car was not slowing down *at all*, I slammed on the brakes but was probably still going 40 when I collided with the other car," she told Ars.

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In contrast, Tesla says that the vehicle logs show that its adaptive cruise control system is not to blame. Data points to Simpson hitting the brake pedal and deactivating autopilot and traffic aware cruise control, returning the car to manual control instantly. (This has been industry-wide practice for cruise control systems for many years.) Simpson's use of the brake also apparently disengaged the automatic emergency braking system, something that's been standard across Tesla's range since it rolled out firmware version 6.2 last year.



Arianna Simpson's Model S after the crash outside Lebec, CA. Arianna Simpson



Issues of liability.

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Unclassified runtime data. Opaque models.



Sensor degradation.

Sensor cost decline.



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These are big questions.



What role does research play to get better answers?

Cyber-Physical Systems





CPS Design Competition

Safe maneuvers of aircraft



http://cps-vo.org/group/vortex/competition





Water quality sensing

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Different timescales*



* Not to scale. It's not like I plotted this in MATLAB or anything...

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Event-triggered (reactive) models





How much time do you have to act, as a controller?



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When computing a control decision...



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Model-Predictive Control: Plan Trajectories at Runtime





Easy...I'll use an accurate vehicle model to predict the trajectory and avoid the obstacle.



Takes longer to compute control inputs



Easy...I'll pick a simpler vehicle model to make it more likely to return control inputs in time



Competing constraints





High vehicle speed: cannot tolerate slow return time.



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- 1. Consider the time required to perform the computation.
- 2. Switch between controllers using accuracy and time as switching criteria.
- 3. Explore conditions for stability and convergence.



$$\xi_{k,t+1} = \hat{f}_q(\xi_{k,t}, u_{k,t})$$
$$t \in \{k, k+1, \cdots, k+N-1\}$$

MPC solves the optimization problem $\mathbf{P}^{q}(\xi_{k})$ at time k by using the model \hat{f}_{q} . We denote the input sequence $\{u_{k,k}^{q}, u_{k,k+1}^{q}, \dots, u_{k,k+N-1}^{q}\}$ by U_{k}^{q} , and formulate the following problem:

$$\mathbf{P}^{q}(\xi_{k}) : \operatorname{argmin}_{U_{k}^{q}} \{J_{N}(\xi_{k}, U_{k}^{q}) : U_{k}^{q} \subset \mathbb{R}^{m}\}$$
$$J_{N}(\xi_{k}, U_{k}^{q}) = \sum_{t=k}^{k+N-1} \ell(\xi_{k,t}^{q}, u_{k,t}^{q}) + F(\xi_{k,k+N}^{q})$$
$$U_{k}^{q*} = \{u_{k,k}^{q*}, u_{k,k+1}^{q*}, \cdots, u_{k,k+N-1}^{q*}\}$$



Problem Statement

Suppose at time $k \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$, the vehicle state ξ_k is observed for an optimization problem indexed by the predictive model in use (i.e., $\mathbf{P}^q(\xi_k)$), and that two alternative predictive models are available.



Problem: select the predictive model q such that the divergence of the state at ξ_k from the plant's state with the same inputs is minimized.



Kinematic/Dynamical Models

$$\dot{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} v \sin \theta \\ v \cos \theta \\ \frac{v \tan \delta}{L} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} v \sin(\theta) \\ v \cos(\theta) \\ \cos(\delta)a - \frac{2}{m}F_{y,f}\sin(\delta) \\ \varphi \\ \frac{1}{J}\left(L_a\left(ma\sin(\delta) + 2F_{y,f}\cos(\delta)\right) - 2L_bF_{y,r}\right) \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$



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Hybrid MPC Design









Hybrid MPC Design

$$q = \underset{q}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\| \xi_{k+1} - \xi_{k,k+1}^{q*} \right\|$$

To make this decision, we need to know two things:

(1) Model mismatch (2) Return time for MPC for this model $\left\|\xi_{k+1} - \xi_{k,k+1}^{q*}\right\| \leq \left\|\hat{\Gamma}_q(\xi_k)\right\| + \left\|I + \frac{\partial f\left(\xi_k, \kappa_q(\xi_k)\right)}{\partial \xi} \Delta T\right\| \|f\left(\xi_k, \kappa_q(\xi_k)\right)\| \Delta t_q(\xi_k)$ $\left\|\xi_{k+1} - \xi_{k,k+1}^{q*}\right\| \approx \left\|\hat{\Gamma}_q(\xi_k)\right\| + v\Delta t_q(\xi_k) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\tan\delta}{L}v\Delta T\right)^2}$



Model Mismatch & Return Time











Time to return





Uncontrollable divergence: DMPC

$$\Delta t_q = 0.05 \quad (\text{DMPC value})$$

$$\hat{\xi}^{q=1} = \begin{bmatrix} v \sin(\theta) \\ v \cos(\theta) \\ \cos(\delta)a - \frac{2}{m}F_{y,f}\sin(\delta) \\ \varphi \\ \frac{1}{J} (L_a (ma\sin(\delta) + 2F_{y,f}\cos(\delta)) - 2L_bF_{y,r}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left\| \left| \xi_{k+1} - \xi_{k,k+1}^{q*} \right| \right|$$



Uncontrollable divergence: KMPC



 $\Delta t_q = 0.02$ (KMPC value...)

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v \sin \theta \\ v \cos \theta \\ \frac{v \tan \delta}{L} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\dot{\xi}^{q=0}$

$$\left|\xi_{k+1} - \xi_{k,k+1}^{q*}\right|$$



Uncontrollable divergence: KMPC with large steering

 $\Delta t_q = 0.02$ (KMPC value...)







https://youtu.be/-ZDdhjZYP4A



Photo By Twilight Invasion



Fortunate Previous Result from [1]



Take the fit data and utilize linearization techniques



Scatter plot with comfort controller









Hybrid MPC Design



Steering Angle(deg)



Hybrid MPC Design





What about lots of obstacles?





Simulation Result











Each model converges



Numerical results of the superlevel sets of all three models suggest that each of these three MPCs can bound the aircraft to the origin, or at least a small ball containing the origin with a radius smaller than the discrete spatial steps.
Cheaper sensors may not be able to do it all.

But maybe they can do a lot of the tasks we don't like to do.











depending on available sensors/cost

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Down to the wires and back again

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- 12-18 V DC power supply with 8 output ports (all at same V_0)



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With interfaces, we can model.





Domain-Specific Modeling

- Create model of the system
- Perform
 - Analysis
 - Architecture exploration
 - Simulation
- Generate
 - Configuration
 - Code
 - Executables
- From the same models!

Example Domains & Environments:

- VLSI Layout (e.g., Altera)
- Engg Drawing (e.g., AutoCAD)
- Physical Modeling (e.g., SolidWorks)
- Signal Processing (e.g., LabVIEW)
- Controls (e.g., Simulink)















Transition < <connection>></connection>
String: Event
String: Guard
String: Action















Example model of component interconnection





Example Workflow



With models, we extend the user base



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Switched MPC control, implemented in less than 10 weeks with no prior experience.

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Kennon McKeever, 20, a junior at the University of Arizona, uses Meta GME, a computer and Autonomous Test, or CAT, vehicle where to drive. A dozen visiting and Tucson coller ipate in the National Science Foundation's Research Experiences for Undergraduates and developed apps to remotely operate the CAT vehicle in a parking lot Tuesday. Set tucson.com online.





We sat down with teachers

and designed a way to translate knowledge from the classroom, to the self-driving car



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In the Spotlight



CAT Vehicle demo at Canyon View Elementary

On May 12, 2016, a group of 4th grade students controlled the CAT Vehicle on the school grounds, using models they built as part of this project.

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05/12/16 CAT Vehicle demo at Canyon View Elementary

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Software Interface Layers







- ROS access to system
- Gazebo simulator with
 - Ackermann steering
 - Lidar (Velodyne and SICK)
 - Realistic (but not "correct") masses and dynamics
- Published topics for odometry, path, laser scans, velocity, steering angles
- Example Simulink Robotics System Toolbox models distributed with the source
- Control inputs through velocity and steering angle (cmd_vel)



http://cps-vo.org/group/CATVehicleTestbed

CatVehicle Testbed (BSD license)

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Well, what's next?

Regression testing on *real data from real vehicles* is the new metric for displacing existing vehicle systems.



Architecture for replacement modules mimics pre-release tests.



The difference is *learning in the loop* which may occur with newer models for perception (and even control).



Data curation and archiving, to enable disruptive tech to have a chance. Inspire the next generation. Give opportunities for them to realize how they are enabled to change the world for the better.



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