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Deep Dive #4 Corner Case

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Corner Case Deep Dive



Agenda

- 1. Corner Case Taxonomy
- 2. Uncertainty-based Corner Case Detection
- 3. Context Information for Corner Case Detection
- 4. Corner Case Detection Pipeline
- 5. Corner Case Identification using Cameras and GPS
- 6. Amodal Semantic Segmentation
- 7. Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases
- 8. Driving with the Eyes of Al

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Corner Case Taxonomy

What is a Corner Case ?

Software and Hardware Testing:

- Edge case, extreme case testing extreme values of a parameter ^[1]
- Corner cases rare or never considered combination of parameters ^[1]

[1] P. Koopman, A. Kane, and J. Black, "Credible Autonomy Safety Argumentation," in Proc. of Safety-Critical Systems Symposium. Bristol, UK, 2019.

[2] F. Heidecker, J. Breitenstein, K. Rösch, J. Löhdefink, M. Bieshaar, C. Stiller, T. Fingscheidt, B. Sick, "An Application-Driven Conceptualization of Corner Cases for Perception in Highly Automated Driving", In Proc. of the IV, 2021.

Test successfully passed - system verified

ML Viewpoint on Corner Cases:

- New situations or objects, ... also considered as corner case
- Multiple samples of one corner case are needed for training or validation
- Sample is relevant for the task at hand

Multiple corner cases: A winter scene with an icy, slippery, reflective road, low winter sun and people on cross-country skis crossing the road. ^[2]





Categorization of Camera-, LiDAR-, and RADAR-based Corner Cases



	Sensor	r Layer		Temporal Layer		
	Hardware Level	Physical Level	Domain Level	Object Level	Scene Level	Scenario Level
	Laser Error	Beam-Based Corner Case	Domain Shift on Single Point Cloud	Single-Point Anomaly on Single Point Cloud	Contextual/Collective Anomaly on Single Point Cloud	Corner Cases on Multiple Point Clouds
LiDAR-based corner cases	Broken mirrorMisaligned actuator	Black cars disappear	• Shape of Road markings	• Dust cloud •	• Sweeper cleaning the sidewalk	and Frames
	Pixel Error	Pixel-Based Corner Case	Domain Shift on Single Frame	Single-Point Anomaly on Single Frame	Contextual/Collective Anomaly on Single Frame	 Person breaks traffic rule Overtaking a
Camera-based corner cases	 Dead pixel Broken lense	Dirt on lenseOverexposure	• Location (EU-U.S.A.) •	• Animal •	People on a billboard	cyclist • Car accident
$\langle \cdot \rangle$	Impulse Error	Impulse-Based Corner Case	Domain Shift on Single Point Cloud	Single-Point Anomaly on Single Point Cloud	Contextual/Collective Anomaly on Single Point Cloud	•
RADAR-based corner cases	Low voltageLow temperature	• Interference •	• Weather, e.g., snow, rain, etc.	Lost objects	 Demonstration Tree on street	

Method-Layer:

- Corner cases of the method layer are caused by the applied methods
- Sensors or a human driver not necessarily perceive these corner cases
- Method layer corner cases are caused by uncertainty in the methodology

Examples for Method-Layer:

- High model uncertainty for unknown objects but also for typical normal objects
- Adversarial samples

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Corner Case Generation

One Ontology to Rule Them All: Corner Case Scenarios for Autonomous Driving



§ 3 The manufacturer of a motor vehicle with an autonomous driving function shall prepare a catalog of test scenarios.

dserver.bundestag.de/brd/2022/0086-22.pdf

Code



Ontology



Expert knowledge in a machine- and human-readable way

Bogdoll, D., Guneshka, S., Zöllner, J.M. (2023). One Ontology to Rule Them All: Corner Case Scenarios for Autonomous Driving. ECCV 2022 Workshops

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Authors	Year	Temporal Scenario Description	Arbitrary Environments	Arbitrary Objects	Scenario Simulation	Corner Case Categorization	Ontology available
Fuchs et al. [16]	2008	· -	_	1	_	_	_
Hummel [25]	2010) _	\checkmark	-	-	-	-
Hülsen et al. [26]	2011		\checkmark	-	-	-	-
Armand et al. $\boxed{1}$	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zhao et al. $[47]$	2017	, –	\checkmark	-	-	-	\checkmark
Bagschik et al. 5	2018	S 🗸	-	-	-	-	-
Chen and Kloul [13]	2018	s 🗸	-	-	-	-	-
Huang et al. $\boxed{24}$	2019		-	-	-	-	-
Menzel et al. $[30]$	2019		\checkmark	-	\checkmark	-	-
Li et al. [29]	2020		\checkmark	-	\checkmark	-	-
Tahir and Alexander 39	2022		-	-	\checkmark	-	-
Hermann et al. $\boxed{23}$	2022	-	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	-	-
ASAM [3]	2022	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proposed Ontology		1	1	1	1	✓	1

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Uncertainty-based Corner Case Detection

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Goal:

• Identifying sample/corner cases where the model performs poorly in order to further improve the model

Challenges:

- Label information is not available at runtime
- Detecting corner cases based on the predictive uncertainty
- Classifying if the predictions are truth positive (TP), false negative (FN) or corner cases



F. Heidecker, A. El-Khateeb, M. Bieshaar, B. Sick, "Criteria for Uncertainty-based Corner Cases Detection in Instance Segmentation", (Review)

Uncertainty-based Corner Case Detection Pipeline



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Corner Case Categories

- True Positive (TP): Class is correctly predicted, and IoU above 0.5.
- Corner Case:
 - Localization (L-CC):

Class is correctly predicted, and IoU between 0.1 and 0.5.

• Classification (C-CC):

Class is wrong predicted, and IoU above 0.5.

• Localization & Classification (LC-CC):

Class is wrong predicted, and IoU between 0.1 and 0.5.

• False Positive (FP): All other detections.

Dataset 1	Details	COCO	NuImages				
Size of T Labeled	Fest Subset (Images) Objects (Test Subset)	4952 36335	14884 136074				
Model P	redictions	68660	183597				
TP	Correct Class & $IoU > 0.5$	23931 (34,9%)	104980 (57,2%)				
L-CC	Correct Class & $0.5 > IoU > 0.1$	2901 (4,2%)	7837 (4,3%)				
C-CC	Wrong Class & $IoU > 0.5$	1766 (2,6%)	4134 (2,2%)				
LC-CC	Wrong Class & $0.5 > IoU > 0.1$	1257 (1,8%)	2846 (1,6%)				
FP	No Matches	38805 (56,5%)	63800 (34,7%)				
FN	Missed Objects	6480	16277				
Bounding Box $mAP_{IoU>0.5}$ Mask $mAP_{IoU>0.5}$		0.488 0.467	0.424 0.366				



Uncertainty-based Corner Case Criteria

Class score criteria:





Bounding box & mask criteria:

- iou_{mismatch}
- Kullback-Leibler divergence, ۲ Jensen-Shannon Distance, Earth Mover Distance

Bounding box criteria:

- $\sigma_{x_1}^b, \sigma_{y_1}^b, \sigma_{x_2}^b, \sigma_{y_2}^b, \sigma_{c_x}^b, \sigma_{c_y}^b, \sigma_w^b, \sigma_h^b$
- $\overline{iou_b}, \sigma_{iou_b}$ •





Mask criteria:

- $\sigma_{c_x}^m, \sigma_{c_y}^m, \sigma_w^m, \sigma_h^m$
- iou_m, σ_{iou_m}
- σ_{A_m} (distribution of mask area)



Mask mean



Mask std.

Mask



Bounding box

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Corner Case Decision Function

Multi-layer perceptron:

- Class-weighted f1 score: 0.449
- Confusion matrix







Classification Corner Case (C-CC)

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1.0

0.9 0.8

0.7

0.6

0.5 0.4 0.3

0.2

0.1

0.0

0.9

0.8

0.6 0.5 0.4 0.3

0.1



Context Information for Corner Case Detection

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Context and Corner Cases





Context:

- Can be used to describe corner cases
- Diversity of dataset
- Facilitates data clustering
- Enables condition-based model evaluation

Is context useful to find corner cases?

sky: partly_cloudy







illuminati	on: sun_glare	sky: foggy	clear_v	vindshild: False	
Example	images from BDD10	OK ^[2] with different	conte	ext attributes.	
Time of day:	daytime, dawn dus	k, night, undefined	1	Tunnel:	true, false
Sky:	clear, partly cloud undefined	y, overcast, foggy,		Construction site:	true, false
Illumination:	natural, sun glare,	artificial, dark		Clear windshield:	true, false
Precipitation:	nothing, rain, snow	v		Light exposure:	true, false
Infrastructure:	inner city, industri nature, parking lot undefined	al, highway, suburb t, gas station,),	Reflections:	true, false
Road:	dry, wet, slushy,	snowy, undefined			

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Context Annotation Procedure

1. First 10.000 BDD100K^[1] images annotated and checked by a human, using CVAT^[2]



2. One model per context attribute: pre-training (with e.g., DENSE^[3]) if possible and fine-tuning on already annotated BDD100K images

3. Automated pre-labeling of 10.000 BDD100K^[1] images with our context model followed by visual annotation checks via humans

4. Context annotations cross checks,e.g., if perception "rain", then roadis "wet"

[1] F. Yu, et al., "BDD100K: A Diverse Driving Dataset for Heterogeneous Multitask Learning," in Proc. of CVPR, Seattle, WA, USA, 2020, pp. 2636-2645.

[2] Computer Vision Annotation Tool (CVAT), <u>https://github.com/opencv/cvat</u>

[3] M. Bijelic, et al., "Seeing Through Fog Without Seeing Fog: Deep Multimodal Sensor Fusion in Unseen Adverse Weather," in Proc. Of CVPR, Seattle, USA, 2020, pp. 11 682-11 692.

BDD100K Context Statistics



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No.	Context Attribute											
	Infra.	Sky	ToD	ILL	LE	CW	Ref.					
T0 T1 T2 T3 T4 T5 T6 T7 T8 T9	inner_city inner_city inner_city inner_city inner_city inner_city highway inner_city inner_city	undefined undefined clear undefined partly_cloudy undefined undefined overcast clear	night night daytime daytime night daytime daytime daytime	artificial artificial sun_glare natural artificial natural artificial artificial natural natural	$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark \\ X \\ \checkmark \\ X \\ \checkmark \\ X \\ \checkmark \\ X \\ X \\$	 ✓ ✓	$\begin{array}{c} X \\ \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \\ \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \\ X \\ X \\ X \\ X \end{array}$					
T7 T8 T9 com	highway inner_city inner_city mon: tunnel	undefined overcast clear	night daytime daytime ction_site:	artificial natural natural false	√ X X		\checkmark					

precipitation: nothing, road: dry



Object Detection Performance

mAP ₅₀											
	All	l1	1*	12	13	14	4*	15	15*	16	16*
TOOD	50.0	48.0		60.4	67.4	50.1		55.8		52.1	
Sparse R-CNN	50.0	45.6		62.9	67.3	56.7		56.2		52.3	
FreeAnchor	46.6	43.5		55.3	61.7	50.7		52.4		48.2	
DyHead	45.9	44.2		57.5	63.3	49.2		52.4		46.9	
RetinaNet	45.9	44.1		65.1	61.1	49.1		51.9		47.2	
FCOS	45.8	43.7		51.7	63.3	50.1		52.4		46.8	
Libra R-CNN	45.5	44.1		50.1	62.8	48.7		51.9		46.8	
DCNv2	45.4	43.2		62.0	63.0	48.3		52.3		46.3	
HRNet	45.3	42.2		54.4	60.7	48.1		52.2		46.3	
Cascade R-CNN	44.8	41.3		63.4	61.0	48.5		51.8		46.0	
Faster R-CNN	44.5	41.3		57.0	61.4	48.8		50.9		45.9	
CenterNet	44.4	42.6		53.0	61.3	49.6		51.0		45.5	
ATSS	43.4	39.9		51.4	58.0	44.6		49.9		44.8	
Model Mean	43.3	41.0		53.4	59.4	46.6		49.1		44.5	
YOLOv3	40.2	40.4		46.9	56.9	44.2		45.5		40.6	
EfficientNet	40.1	39.8		45.4	55.1	42.3		44.9		40.6	
YOLOF	39.8	38.6		44.6	53.4	38.2		44.5		40.4	
YOLOX-s	38.7	38.5		45.7	58.6	41.8		43.6		39.0	
DETR	34.0	30.4		47.5	46.9	33.3		37.7		36.6	
CornerNet	31.6	28.4		40.4	45 3	43.0		35 4		33.0	



 Pretrained 2D object detection models from MMDetection^[2] and fine-tuned on BDD100K

Context	Samples	Description
1/ 1*	4007 / 192	time of day: night, illumination: artificial
12	145	time of day: dawn dusk, illumination: artificial
13	146	time of day: dawn dusk, illumination: sun glare
4/ 4*	242 / 154	time of day: dawn dusk, illumination: natural
15/15*	1614 / 138	time of day: daytime, illumination: sun glare
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Context Information for Corner Case Detection Summary

- Context can help to find Corner Cases.
- More data with diverse context combinations are required.
- Training and testing machine learning models with different context conditions.
- Additional context attributes^[1] for the BDD100K dataset
 - Online available: https://doi.org/10.48662/daks-25







road: slushy

precipitation: rain







illumination: artificial

light_exposure: True

tunnel: True

Example images from BDD100K^[2] with different context attributes.

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Corner Case Detection Pipeline

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• define corner case descriptions to create synthetic data



A-Priori Corner Cases



- Collect known (perception) corner cases from
 - KI-DT knowledge
 - Papers
 - Experts
- Maintain knowledge in excel list with the following information
 - Description and Cause
 - Sensor Source (Radar, Lidar, Camera) and Fusion
 - Layer and Level

e for	Description	Cause	Effect	PaViol i	Fusion	Source	Layer	Level
High	Small reflection surface	Small objects, angle to radar to small, distance to radar to high	Not detected by radar	R	No	single	Sensor	Physical - LocalOutlier
High	Coverage of radar sensor	snow, leaves	no data in (parts of) points cloud	R	No	single	Content	Domain
High	Change in pitch angle/elevation, high pitch angle	slopes, curvature, acceleration, braking, uneveness of road, dips in road, winding roads, (up/down) hill drive	objects out of FoV, reflections from road	R	No	single	Sensor	Physical - Global Outlier
High	Diffraction of waves	crests in road	look through objects	R	No	single	Sensor	Physical - Global Outlier
High	heigh objects, e.g. metal bridge	Small vertical opening angle	overhead structures classfied on road	R	No	single	Content	Object
High	Flat objects, e.g. trailers, back of towing trucks	Small vertical opening angle	Not detected by radar	R	No	single	Content	Object



Ontology

A-Priori Corner Cases

- Collect known (perception) corner cases
- Maintain knowledge in excel list
- Describe Corner Cases in Ontology
 - Convert script-based all information in excel list
 - Layer, level, source, fusion, description, cause
 - Describe Scene manual
 - One Scene for each corner case
 - All information in scene relevant for corner case
 - All non-set properties can be varied arbitrary without loosing the corner case



A-Priori Corner Cases



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- Maintain knowledge in excel list
- Describe Corner Cases in Ontology
- Use existing KIA-Ontology^[1] (KI Absicherung) as basis
 - Create new sub-ontology for general corner case properties



[1] "Using ontologies for dataset engineering in automotive AI applications M. Herrmann, C. Witt, L. Lake, S. Guneshka, C. Heinzemann, F. Bonarens, P. Feifel, S. Funkeln 2022 Design, Automation & Test in Europe Conference & Exhibition (DATE), pp. 526-531. IEEE, 2022.

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Dataset and Inference



- 1000 scenes with 20s each
 - Labeled in 2Hz \rightarrow 40 keyframes per scene
 - 850 scenes for training and validation
 - 150 scenes for testing (test dataset not available)
- Included information:
 - 23 labeled classes
 - Object attributes like visibility, activity and pose
 - Sensor data
 - Scene description by human expert





[1] R. Nabati and H. Qi, "CenterFusion: Center-based Radar and Camera Fusion for 3D Object Detection," In Proc. of WACV, Waikoloa, HI, USA, 2021.

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Dataset and Inference



- 3D Object Detection using radar and camera
 - Fusion of sensor features
 - Trained on train/validation nuScenes dataset
 - Mean average precision (mAP) test dataset:
 0.326
- We used the pretrained network to get inference results of the validation set
 - Limited validity
 - Test dataset not available









nuScenes CenterFusion Inference Results Enrichment Inference Results

- Matching between predicted bounding boxes and ground truth
- Collect all "FN", "FP" and "TP" for each sample
- Enrichment of relevant information:
 - Unique hash tokens of each detection
 - All available detection object information
 - Visibility, pose and size, timestamp and class
 - Scene description





Dataset and Inference

Enriched Enrichment CenterFusion Inference Results nuScenes Inference Results A-posteriori Evaluation Corner Cases Corner Case nuScenes Detection Corner Cases Corner Case Export Ontology Descriptions Conversion **Corner Case Detection** A-priori Corner Cases (Expert Knowledge)

Pipeline Corner Cases

Corner Case Detection





- descriptions in data set (e.g. labeling information, where data is stored etc.)
- Result File contains
 - Meta-Information of Corner Case
- Metric how to find Corner Case in data set KI Data Tooling Final Event | Deep Dive #4 Corner Case

Corner Case Detection





- Browse nuScenes according to metrics
- Collect scenes, samples and object that belong to metric

• Traffic Jam





Rain

Corner Case Detection





- Export information in ontology to metrics for search in dataset
- Browse nuScenes according to metrics
- Collect scenes, samples and object that belong to metric
- Result File
 - Contains all information from corner case description
 - Contains all scene, samples and objects that belong to this corner case


Pipeline Corner Cases

A-Posteriori Corner Cases





- Evaluate inference results and found corner cases
 - Check for every object in a corner case if it is an actual corner case or not
 - Add result to each corner case object together with object information (class, size, translation, ...)
- The resulting file can be used to generate statistics

Results

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 - Objects: 32.819 of total 122.778 (27%)
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High level corner case descriptions

1 - Oncoming Traffic at night

- 5 Too many reflections (rain)
- 6 Attenuation backscattering
- 2 High amount of vehicles (rain)
- 3 Person in wheelchair
- 7 Multipath reflection
- 4 Traffic cones on street





Corner Case Identification using Cameras and GPS

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Corner Case Identification using Cameras and GPS



Assumption:

- A target model, when trained on a specific dataset, is expected to effectively fit the majority of data samples.
- The detection of corner case samples is prompted by the target model's underperformance on "unfitted data".

Task-driven corner case identification:

- We select a task with the goal of reconstructing images using bird's-eye-view satellite imagery.
- This task includes the integration of geographic information.
- The choice of the task can be determined on the need for data closed-loop or downstream active learning tasks.



KIDT Example: Building



Original Image



Resyntehtic Image



The percentage of anomalies is 12.79.











Satellite Image





Pretrained dataset for GAN

KIDT Example: Lighting



Original Image



Resyntehtic Image



The percentage of anomalies is 14.51 .



Semantic Image





Satellite Image





Pretrained dataset for GAN

KIDT Example: Unexpected Vehicles



Resyntehtic Image







Pretrained dataset for GAN







Satellite Image





Amodal Semantic Segmentation

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Corner Cases Caused by Occlusions

Motivation to Investigate Amodal Segmentation Methods

- Improved perception performance: amodal segmentation gives a more comprehensive environment understanding
- Enhanced safety: amodal segmentation helps the automated vehicles to recognize (partly) hidden obstacles or pedestrians, reducing the risk of accidents
- More predictable driving: Amodal segmentation can enable vehicles to anticipate movements and intentions of other road users

Problem: Training amodal segmentation methods requires an amodal ground truth

Solution:

On images: copy-paste data augmentation (Amodal Cityscapes) ^[1]





On videos: synthetic data [2]



For our purposes, we split the videos at jump cuts \rightarrow SAIL-VOS-cut

[1] J. Breitenstein, T. Fingscheidt, "Amodal Cityscapes: A New Dataset, its Generation, and an Amodal Semantic Segmentation Challenge Baseline," In Proc. IV, 2022. [2] Y.-T. Hu, H.-S. Chen, K. Hui, J.-B. Huang, A. G. Schwing, "SAIL-VOS: Semantic Amodal Instance Level Video Object Segmentation - A Synthetic Dataset and Baselines," In Proc. CVPR, 2019.



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Amodal Segmentation on Images: Method



Drawback of previous amodal semantic segmentation: classes from the same group cannot occlude each other!

Idea: Train an entirely amodal semantic segmentation predicting all 19 classes separately Overview of the three investigated methods:



[1] J. Breitenstein, J. Löhdefink, T. Fingscheidt, "Joint Prediction of Amodal and Visible Semantic Segmentation for Automated Driving", In Proc. of ECCV-Workshops, 2022.

Corner Cases Caused by Occlusions Amodal Segmentation on Images: Evaluation

Results on $\mathcal{D}_{test}^{amCS}$ (training on $\mathcal{D}_{train}^{amCS}$ for 120 epochs):

results of Y-ERFNet







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Corner Cases Caused by Occlusions Amodal Segmentation on Videos: Method



Functioning of our proposed VATrack for joint visible and amodal video instance segmentation during inference:



- Simultaneous prediction of amodal and visible instance masks
- Additional tracking of the (amodal) instance masks throughout the sequence
- Instance segmentation prediction is based on Mask R-CNN^[2]
- Investigation of two tracking methods: QDTrack (QD)^[3] and MaskTrack R-CNN (MT)^[4]

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Corner Cases Caused by Occlusions Amodal Segmentation on Videos: Evaluation

image-based methods

video-based methods

temporal

context (TC) can

improve results

- SAIL-VOS-cut splits a video at a jump cut into 2 videos (still same content!)
- Results on SAIL-VOS in the paper



Method	DNN	Visible	Amodal	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{50}^P	AP_{50}^H	AP_{50}^L	AP^M_{50}	AP_{50}^S
MaskAmodal [Hu et al., 2019]	?		\checkmark	13.0	23.0	24.3	16.7	36.6	21.5	6.1
MaskJoint [Hu et al., 2019]	?	\checkmark	\checkmark	14.1	24.8	24.3	<u>18.9</u>	37.8	21.5	5.7
MaskAmodal*	RX101		\checkmark	16.3	25.6	27.4	17.1	35.2	24.2	10.1
MaskJoint*	RX101	\checkmark	\checkmark	16.7	25.6	26.9	17.3	33.0	22.3	9.0
AmodalTrack (MT)	RX101		\checkmark	15.9	25.7	24.9	17.8	36.8	22.8	11.2
Ours: VATrack (MT)	RX101	\checkmark	\checkmark	16.4	26.0	24.9	18.0	38.6	22.5	10.6
AmodalTrack (QD)	RX101		\checkmark	<u>17.8</u>	<u>27.4</u>	<u>29.2</u>	18.6	34.7	<u>26.8</u>	<u>11.4</u>
Ours: VATrack (QD)	RX101	\checkmark	\checkmark	18.3	28.6	29.7	20.1	<u>38.1</u>	26.9	15.7

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joint prediction mostly improves image-level results

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Amodal Segmentation on Videos: Evaluation

- SAIL-VOS-cut splits a video at a jump cut into 2 videos (still same content!)
- Results on SAIL-VOS in the paper



image-based methods video-based methods

amodal results on video-level (in vAP and derivatives) on SAIL-VOS-cut validation data:

DNN Visible Amodal vAP_{50} vAP_{50}^P vAP_{50}^H vAP_{50}^L Method vAP vAP_{50}^S MT-based cannot AmodalTrack (MT) ResNext101 2.4 3.1 3.8 1.7 3.8 1.4 0.4 provide meaningful Ours: VATrack (MT) ResNext101 3.8 0.3 2.3 3.1 1.7 3.7 1.5 results AmodalTrack (QD) ResNext101 13.1 20.5 14.7 joint (QD) prediction 21.0 10.7 29.4 8.9 mostly improves Ours: VATrack (QD) ResNext101 14.1 22.3 22.0 12.8 32.8 15.6 8.8 video-level results

- Video-level metrics also measure the temporal consistency of prediction \rightarrow no evaluation of image-based baselines possible on video level
- Joint prediction of visible and amodal masks can improve results in amodal video instance segmentation
- Temporal context of the video-based methods improves performance
- Results for (visible) video instance segmentation are similar and are in the paper

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Corner Cases Caused by Occlusions Amodal Segmentation on Videos: Evaluation





Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases

Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases for Semantic Segmentation Motivation



We know definitions for knowledge-driven corner cases from before [Heidecker et al., 2021]

Problem:

- We don't know which type of corner case affects a perception method in which way
- Typical metrics for quality of a perception method are task-agnostic

Solution:

- Corner-case-weighted mIoU based on pixel-wise weightings to measure the effect of corner cases on the performance in semantic segmentations
- Pixel-wise weightings are obtained from simple corner case criteria

Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases for Semantic Segmentation Pipeline





Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases for Semantic Segmentation Evaluation of Relevance Estimation



Evaluation on Cityscapes dataset and a dataset of pre-selected corner cases for OCRNet

	$\mathcal{D}_{ ext{CS}}^{ ext{val}}$	$\mathcal{D}_{ ext{CS}}^{ ext{CC}}$	
mIoU	80.23%	74.12%	
$\mathrm{mIoU}_{\mathbf{w}}$	80.35%	72.33%	

Similar values on "normal" dataset \mathcal{D}_{CS}^{val} but decrease in $mIoU_{\mathbf{w}}$ on the corner case dataset \mathcal{D}_{CS}^{CC}

mIoU and $mIoU_w$ for example images of corner case types x_t with weights w_t and corresponding segmentation masks m_t :



Summary:

Relevance Estimation of Corner Cases for Semantic Segmentation

- Introduction of relevance-adapted version of mIoU to adapt to the task of corner case identification
- For OCRNet collective anomalies and domain-level corner cases have the highest relevance
- Physical-level corner cases have no relevance for OCRNet
- The novel $mIoU_w$ establishes a link between corner case types and perception method

We can use $mIoU_w$ to estimate the relevance of corner cases for a semantic segmentation method

This work is a collaboration of partners in AP2.3: TU BS, Uni Kassel, Bosch, FZI

Paper: What does Really Count? Estimating Relevance of Corner Cases: For Semantic Segmentation in Automated Driving







Driving with the Eyes of Al

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Driving with the Eyes of Al



- Experimental setup that allows to control a vehicle based on the prediction of a real-time semantic segmentation network
- Use of human risk perception to find safety-critical driving situations
- Two publications have been published using this experimental setup:
 - K. Kowol., S. Bracke., and H. Gottschalk., A-Eye: Driving with the Eyes of AI for Corner Case Generation, in Proceedings of the 6th International Conference on Computer-Human Interaction Research and Applications CHIRA, INSTICC, SciTePress, 2022, pp. 41
 - K. Kowol, S. Bracke, and H. Gottschalk, survAlval: Survival Analysis with the Eyes of AI, in Computer-Human Interaction Research and Applications, A. Holzinger, H. P. da Silva, J. Vanderdonckt, and L. Constantine, eds., Cham, 2023, Springer Nature Switzerland, pp. 153-170



A-Eye - Driving Simulator





Driving simulator including steering wheels, pedals, seats and screens.



View of the semantic driver (top) and the safety driver (bottom).

A-Eye - Corner Case Retrieval



- Two student drivers (free driving)
- Segmentation network: Fast-SCNN[†] (not fully trained)



† Rudra P. K. Poudel, Stephan Liwicki, and Roberto Cipolla. "Fast-SCNN: Fast Semantic Segmentation Network". In: 30th British Machine Vision Conference 2019, BMVC 2019, Cardiff, UK, September 9-12, 2019. BMVA Press, 2019, p. 289.







A-Eye - Results



• Drivers had no idea what kind of network they were driving with.

dataset	d	t	# CC	d	s _d	ī	s _t
	[km]	[min]	[-]	[km/CC]	[km/CC]	[min/CC]	[min/CC]
initial dataset	121.32	411	13	7.73	14.25	25.93	39.60
pedestrian enriched	163.09	500	21	7.52	10.47	23.25	28.72
corner case enriched	153.38	528	11	13.84	8.68	47.47	31.87

• Safety-critical corner cases recorded by intentional perceptional distortions improves the performance!

survAlval - Survival Analysis with the Eyes of Al



- Idea: reduce development time and use models trained on standard data
- Investigation of expert models vs. universal model using survival analysis
- Experimental approach:
 - 4 environmental conditions
 - 3 Model types:
 - baseline
 - expert for night, fog or rain
 - Universal
 - CC means leaving the study



survAlval - Model Performance on Environmental Conditions





survAlval - Survival Analysis with the Eyes of Al



- Experiments similar to A-Eye but with 10-minute drives
- A total of 160 drives, 48 corner cases detected

madal	• •••••••••	test						
model	training	clear	rain	fog	night			
baseline	clear	4	5	13	17			
experts	rain	-	0	-	-			
	fog	-	-	0	-			
	night	-	-	-	1			
universal	mix	1	3	1	3			

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- Statement of how likely it is that a corner case will not occur in the considered time interval
- No statement about the individual factors

$$S(t_j) = \prod_{i=0}^j \frac{n_i - d_i}{n_i}$$

j: number of time intervals

- n: number of entities still alive at time Δt
- d: number of entities leaving the study





survAlval - Cox Proportional Hazards Model

• Survival time estimation considering various influencing variables

$$h(t, \mathbf{Z}) = h_0(t) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i Z_i\right), \quad \mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_p)$$

h₀: baseline hazardZ: time-independent influencing variables

 β : regression coefficients



• It seems to be useful to focus on some basic data and add other models for special cases
Corner Case Publication List



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