

Context Aware Data Reduction for Highly Automated Driving

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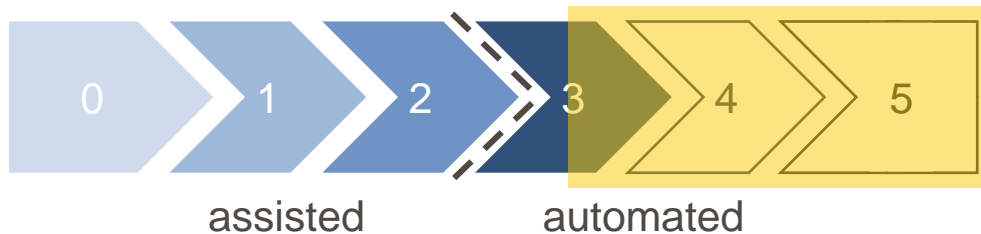
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Motivation

Automated Driving (AD)

- brings ...
 - safety
 - efficiency
 - availability
 - comfort

SAE levels for AD



Challenges

- **Data amounts**
 - ~10 TB/h for AD → ~10 ZB to release
- **Open Context**
 - What is relevant?



Agenda

State of the art
Research Questions



Relevance

Data Reduction

Method



Evaluation



Results



Outlook



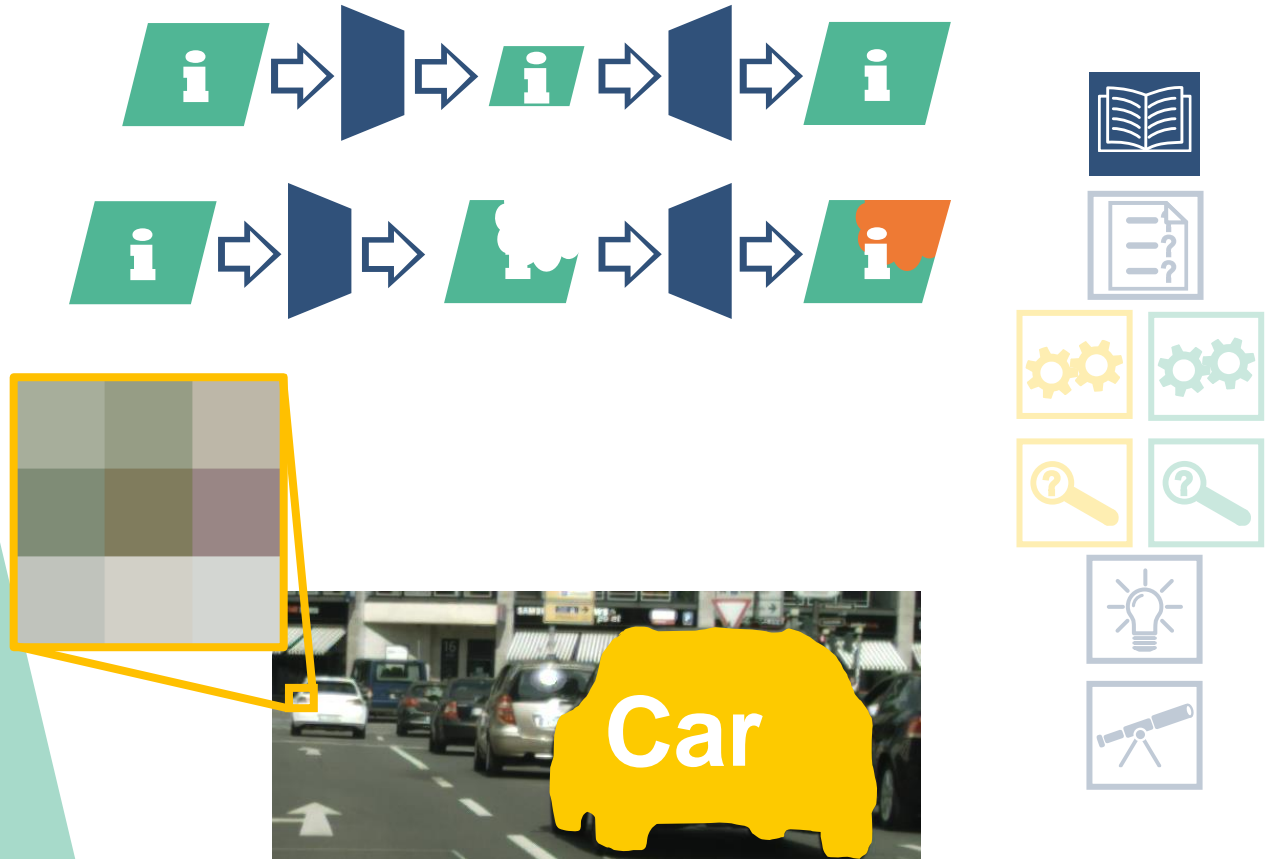
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Data reduction for AD

- **Lossy or Lossless**
- **Low-Level features**
 - e.g. Pixel
 - Technology far advanced
- **High-Level features**
 - Simple methods (Triggering)
 - Missing use of domain knowledge for AD



Research Questions

1. How can the open context present in automated driving be addressed in data reduction?

2. How can relevance be formally defined to facilitate its use in data reduction?

3. What is the impact of this data reduction method
on the performance of subsequent use cases?



Relevance: Method



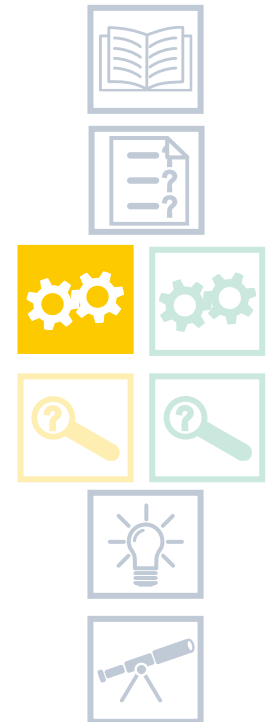
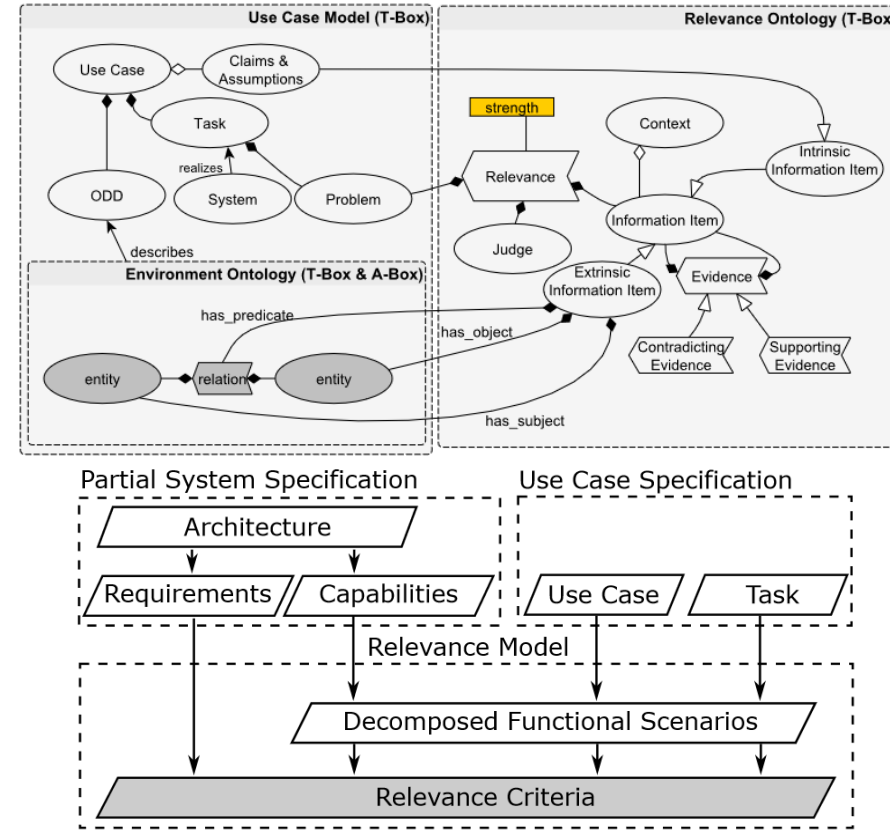
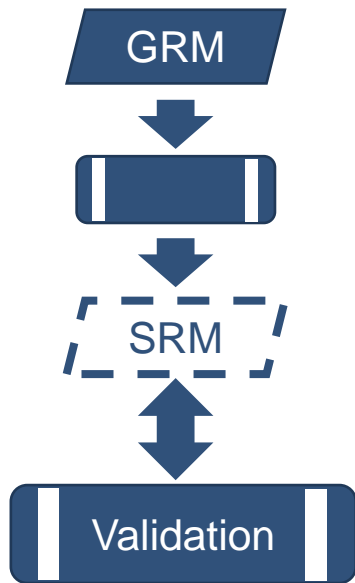
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General Relevance Model (GRM)

- Abstract description using ontologies

Specific Relevance Model (SRM)

- Use Case specific implementation details



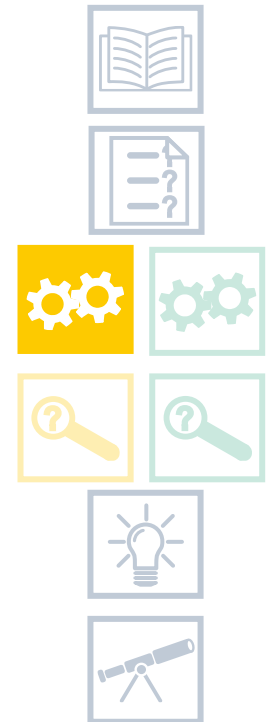
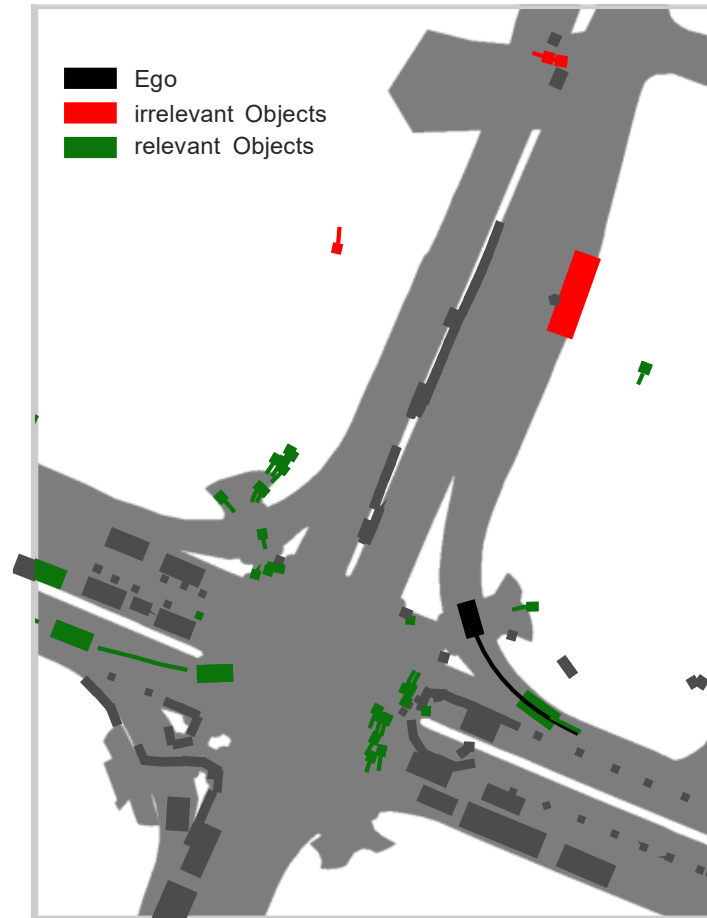
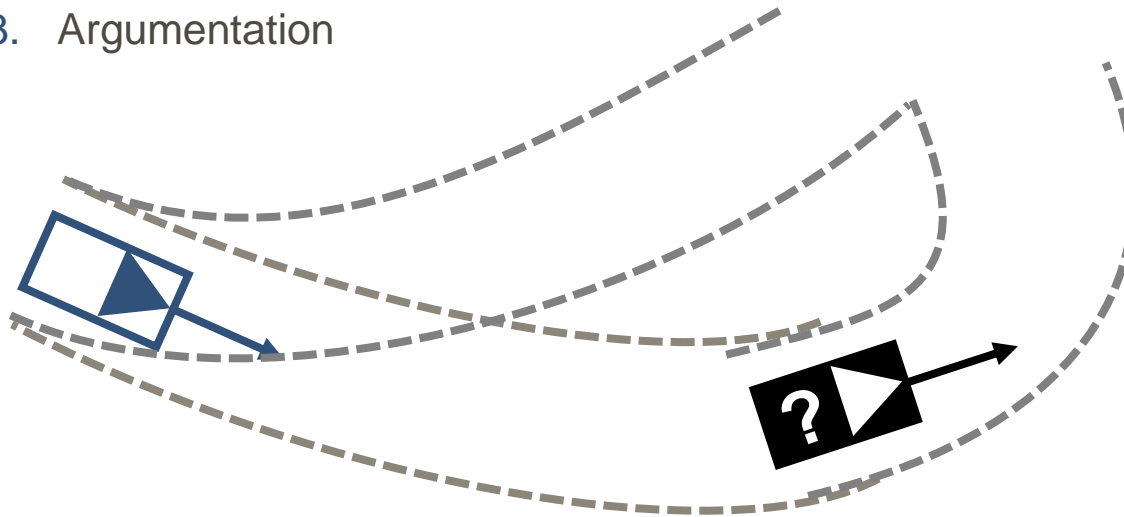
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Proof of Concept

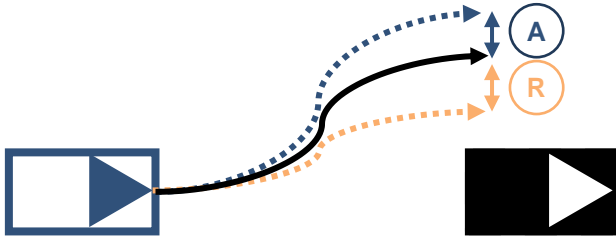
- Perception relevance for collision free driving
- Three principles
 1. Worst-Case assumption
 2. Superposition
 3. Argumentation



Relevance: Evaluation

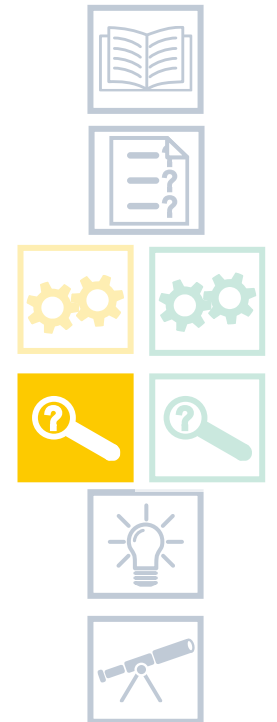
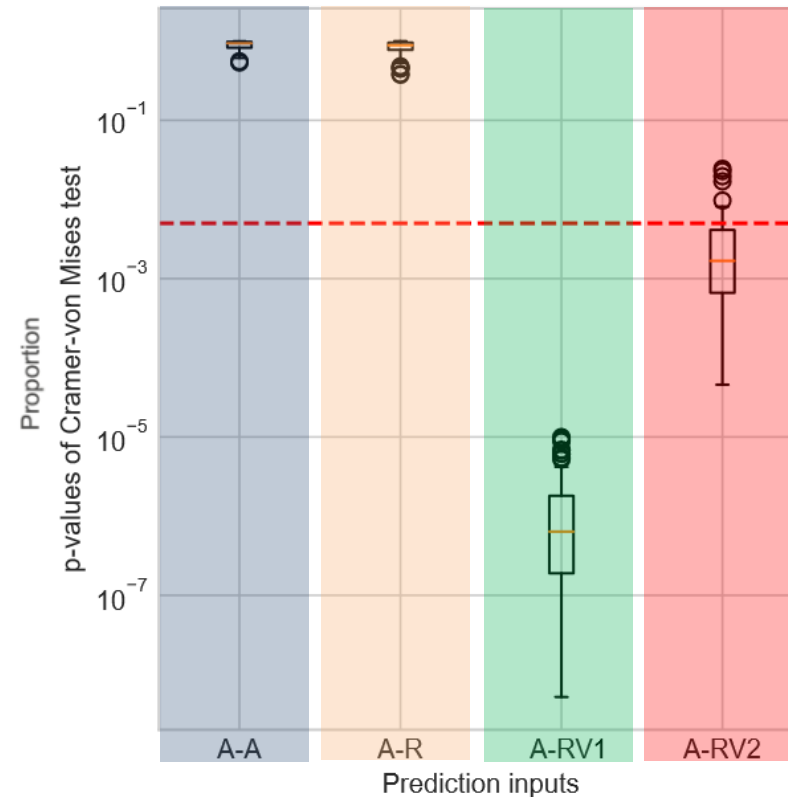


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Validation Concept

- Reference: human driver
- Compare Ego prediction with different information
- Aggregation of prediction errors
- Cramer-von Mises Test:



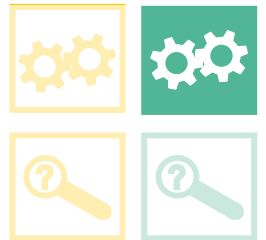
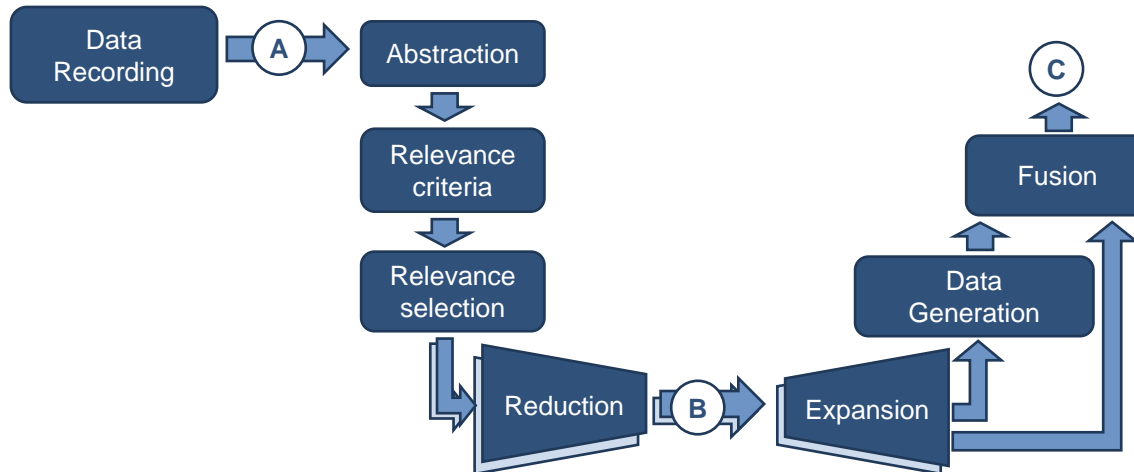
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Concept

- Reduction by abstraction
- Expansion by “plausible lie”
- Relevant information left unaltered

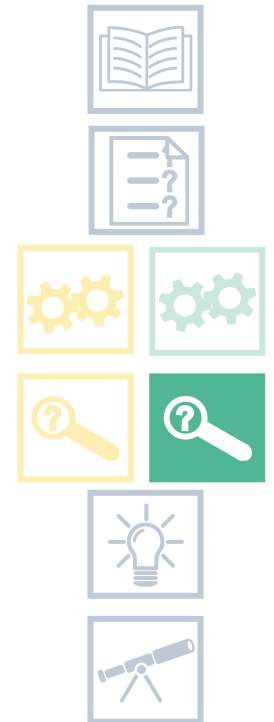
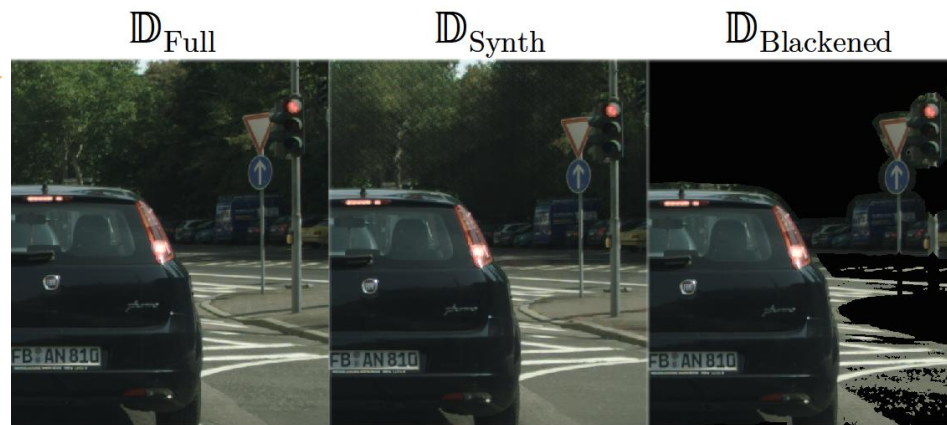
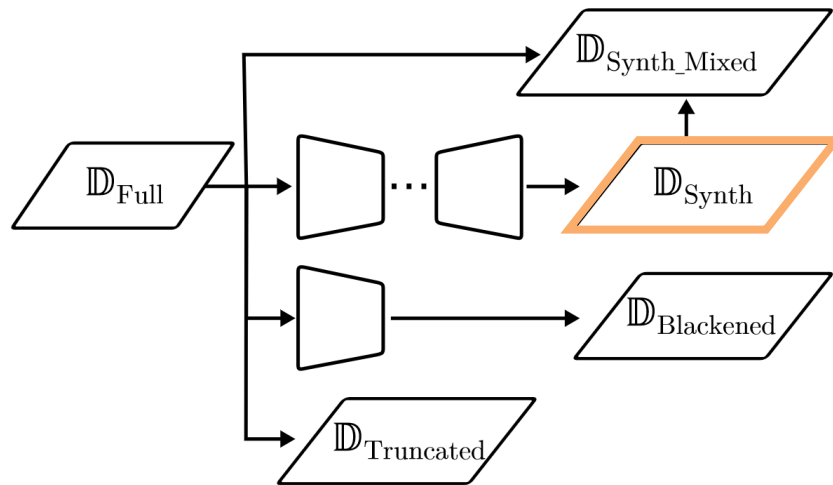


Data Reduction: Evaluation



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- Impact on Neural Nets
 - Inference | Training
 - Object detection | Semantic segmentation
- 5 datasets for evaluation



Data Reduction: Evaluation

Inference

- Proposed method $\mathbb{D}_{\text{Synth}}$:
 - Small impact on performance
- Alternative method $\mathbb{D}_{\text{Blackened}}$:
 - Large impact on performance

→ „Plausible lie“ of irrelevant information essential for inferenz

Semantic segmentation (mIoU)

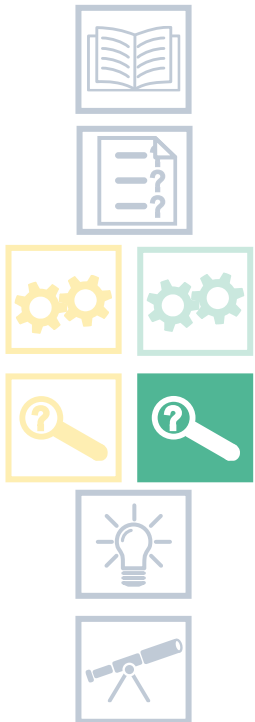


	\mathbb{D}_{Full}	$\mathbb{D}_{\text{Synth}}$	$\mathbb{D}_{\text{Blackened}}$
Relevant \emptyset	0,823 \approx	0,819 \searrow	0,37
Irrelevant \emptyset	0,79 \rightarrow	0,72	-
\emptyset	0,81	0,78	-

Object detection (mAP₅₀)



	\mathbb{D}_{Full}	$\mathbb{D}_{\text{Synth}}$	$\mathbb{D}_{\text{Blackened}}$
Relevant \emptyset	0,373 \approx	0,369 \searrow	0,14



Data Reduction: Evaluation



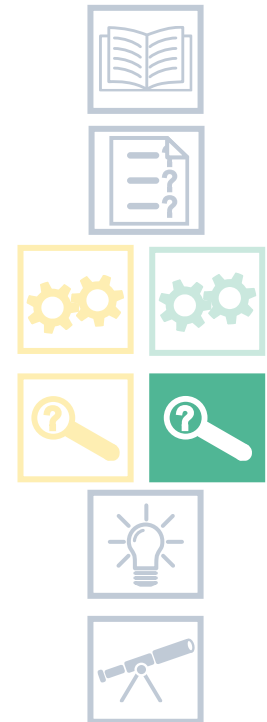
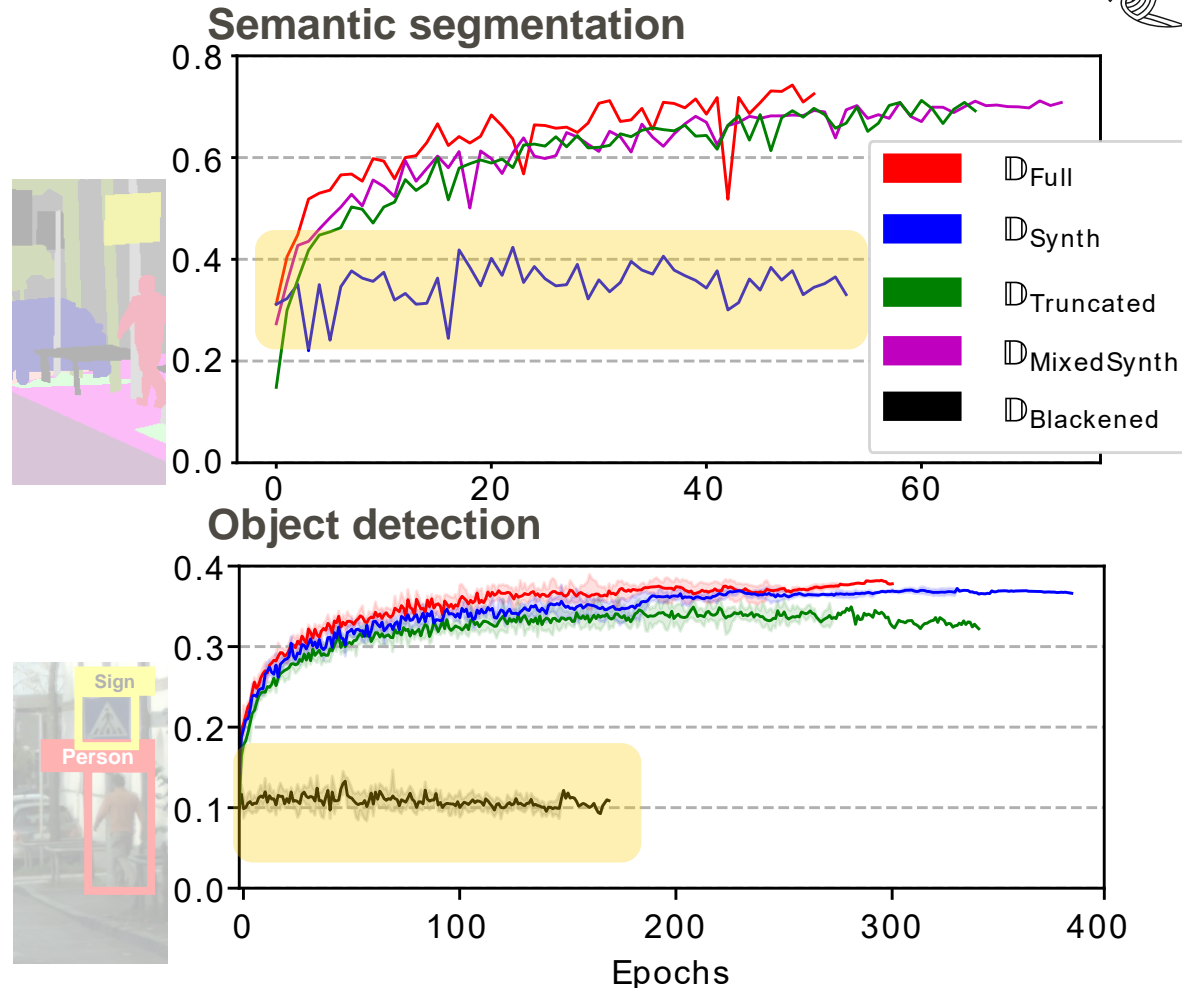
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Training

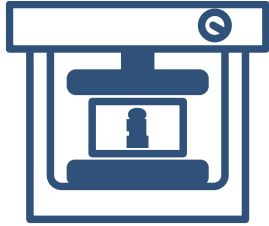
- **X** Semantic segmentation
- **✓** Object detection

→ Dependent on Use Case

→ „Plausible lie“ of
irrelevant informatio
essential for training



Results

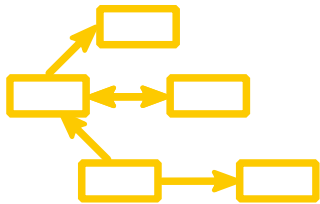


1. Data reduction for open context?

Inclusion of domain-specific relevance

→ Control of information losses

→ Effective management of performance losses

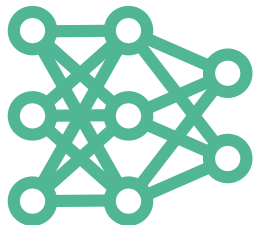


2. Description of relevance?

Ontological models

→ Adaptive modeling for different relevance concepts

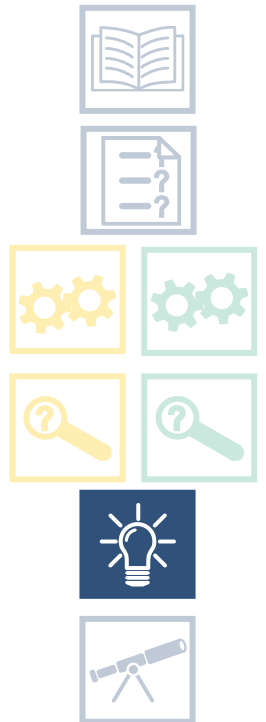
→ Derivation of relevance from knowledge representation

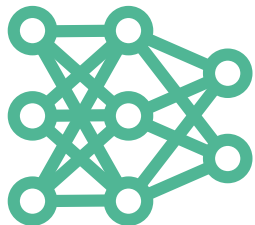
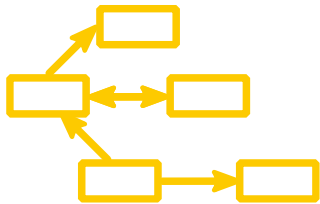
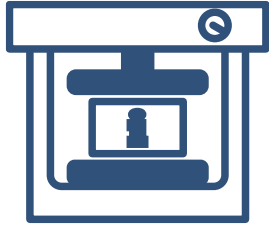


3. Impact on performance?

→ Suitability for inference and training of neural networks

→ Dependence on the use case





1. Relevance-driven data reduction

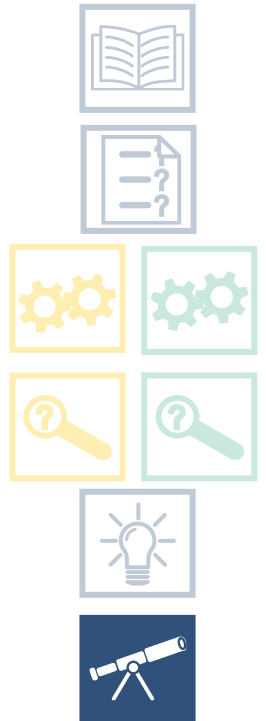
- Common representation of various sensor modalities
- Enhanced understanding of use case dependency

2. Relevance modeling

- Establishment of differentiated relevance consideration in AD
- Standardized concepts and nomenclature for relevance in AD

3. Application

- Previously “laboratory conditions”
- Possible application modes?
- Transferability/scaling to industrial application?





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