R&D Project Proposal

Object detection in adverse weather conditions using tightly-coupled data-driven multi-modal sensor fusion

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1 Introduction

1.1 Topic of This R&D Project

- What is Sensor Fusion?

  - The process of combining data from multiple sensors to provide a more accurate, reliable, and comprehensive understanding of an environment or situation.

- Fuse different sensor modalities like point cloud, pixels, and time series

- Improve perception in adverse weather conditions e.g., fog, rain, snow, overcast, sleet, night

- Synchronization of multi-modal data

- Process dense and sparse resolution sensors data

- Make use of a data-driven approach

- Geometrically alignments of different sensors

- Real-time sensor fusion with low latency

1.2 Relevance of This R&D Project

- Who will benefit from the results of this R&D project?

- What are the benefits? Quantify the benefits with concrete numbers.

2 Related Work

2.1 Survey of Related Work

- What have other people done to solve the problem?

- You should reference and briefly discuss at least the "top twelve" related works

2.2   Limitation and Deficits in the State of the Art

- List the deficits that you have discovered in the related work and explain them such that a person who is not deep into the technical details can still understand them. For each deficit, provide at least two references

- You should reference and briefly discuss at least the "top twelve" related works

3   Problem Statement

- Which of the deficits are you going to solve?

- What is your intended approach?

- How will you compare you approach with existing approaches?

4   Project Plan

4.1   Work Packages

Planning is the replacement of randomness by error. (Einstein). Very much like you would never start a longer journey without a detailed travel plan, you should not start a project without a carefully though out work plan. A work package is a logical decomposition of a larger piece of work into smaller parts following a "divide and conquer" strategy. It is very specific to the problem that you are going to address. Refrain from a rather generic decomposition. If your work plan looks similar to those of your school mates, which may address completely different problems then you have not thought carefully enough about how you approach the problem. It is ok to have two generic work packages *Literature Study* and *Project Report*. Discuss your work packages in the ASW seminar.

The bare minimum will include the following packages:

WP1 Literature Study

WP2 ...

WP3 ...

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WPy Evaluation of approach and comparison with similar approaches

WPz Project Report

4.2 Milestones

Milestones mark the completion of a certain activity or at least a major achievement in an activity. Milestones are also decision points, where you reflect on what you have achieved and what options you have for continuing your work in case you have not achieved what was planned. Above all, milestones have to be measurable. As above, if your milestones are the same as those of your school mates, then you may not have thought carefully enough about how your project shall progress.

M1 Literature review completed and best practice identified

M2 ...

M3 ...

M4 Report submission

4.3 Project Schedule

Include a Gantt chart here. It doesn't have to be detailed, but it should include the milestones you mentioned above. Make sure to include the writing of your report throughout the whole project, not just at the end.
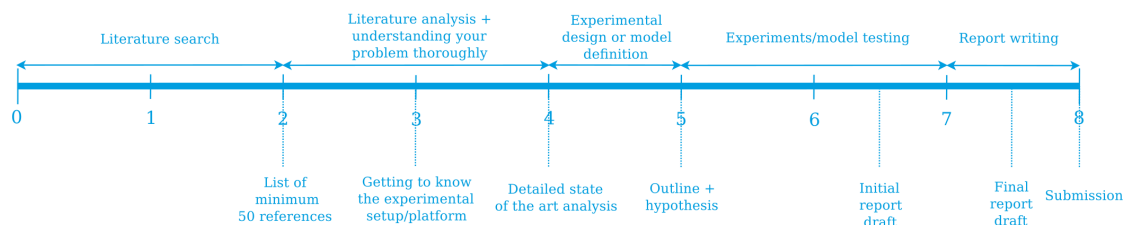

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4.4 Deliverables

Minimum Viable

- Project results required to get a satisfying or sufficient grade.

Expected

- Project results required to get a good grade.

Desired

- Project results required to get an excellent grade.

Please note that the final grade will not only depend on the results obtained in your work, but also on how you present the results.

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