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Predictive AI for Real-Time Autonomous Vehicle Navigation under Uncertainty

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Abstract—Following a probabilistically-driven design philosophy, the proposed framework aims to address a pivotal aspect of real-time navigation for autonomous vehicles while constantly handling uncertainty—making predictive decisions in an uncertain environment. To this end, given a mapping of the environment augmented with statistical information for all key perturbations impacting performance during online navigation, the questions being tackled are: at each instant during online navigation (substantially constrained by latency requirements), what would be the preferred manoeuvre leading to the most favourable consequence (in terms of an appropriately defined cost function) within a defined disrupted neighbourhood of the current state? Would the definable manoeuvre, coupled with a meaningful understand of the environment at large within an horizon, guarantee that a reliable trajectory through the horizon could be sustained while dynamically adapting to key unexpected changes?

To emphasise the persistent uncertainty within real-time navigation, performance is considered within a continuously dynamically evolving local environmental neighbourhood. The objective is to remain in a safe zone—away from obstacles, poor friction and slim clearance port holes—adapting the predictive decision at the end of a navigation latency to lead reliably through the next required safe region within the horizon while still reacting towards key determined perturbations. In probabilistic terms, this framework thus focuses on a novel predictive-decision scheme capable of overcoming: a unidimensional predictive approach under noise; noise constraints within a partial-observable and dynamic environment. A novel predictive-decision system bridging a low-cost inference engine and a key sensor redundancy has exhibited the capability to reliably adapt to a few sudden—and thus not directly observable—perturbational shifts.

Keywords—Probabilistic Autonomous Navigation, Predictive Decision-Making Under Uncertainty, Real-Time Trajectory

Planning, Latency-Constrained Navigation, Stochastic Environment Modeling, Cost-Optimized Manoeuvre Selection, Dynamic Safe-Zone Enforcement, Partial Observability Handling, Sensor Redundancy Integration, Low-Cost Inference Engines, Adaptive Horizon-Based Control, Uncertain Environment Mapping, Disrupted Neighborhood Modeling, Noise-Robust Predictive Control, Autonomous Vehicle Safety, Probabilistic Trajectory Reliability, Online Navigation Optimization, Reactive Perturbation Adaptation, Predictive Control Architectures.

I. INTRODUCTION

Recent advances in AI (artificial intelligence) are enabling research efforts with complex multimodal sensors and safe real-world deployments. On the other hand, real-time decision making with predictive capabilities in autonomous vehicles is still a challenge, tightly coupled with the requirements of speed and safety. Many predictive decision-making approaches still rely on controlling techniques, determining control actions by modeling the dynamics of the environments and designers' objectives in a way that prediction errors and external noises do not prevent the methods to generate real-time control solutions. In fact, real-time predictive decision-making capability is a key factor for navigating autonomous vehicles in uncertain environments.

The method achieves real-time predictive decision making by utilizing input uncertainties, external noises, and partial observability, developed based on predictive decision-making concepts. The predictive decision-making capability is achieved by creating a real-time inference engine that receives different types of input at different time intervals and generates action outputs instantaneously. Many key issues for practical use are still the subject of ongoing investigations, including data governance, online adaptation processes, and

generation of data sets for validating different types of road traffic scenarios.

A. Overview of the Study and Its Significance

An AI-Driven Predictive Decision Framework for Real-Time Autonomous Vehicle Navigation under Uncertain Environments is proposed to address the problem of real-time autonomous vehicle navigation in an uncertain environment. The problem formulation includes the performance measures, the uncertainties affecting the autonomous navigation, and how the uncertainty is modeled during the navigation. More formally, the decision-making optimization problem is stated.

The performance measure for real-time evaluation of the framework is based on predictive decision-making by minimizing expected costs over multiple trajectories that capture the noise, partial observability, and dynamic behavior of the environment. Predictive decision-making under statistical noise enables cost-effective operation of the vehicle. Predictive decision-making under partial observability relies on sufficient observations from sensors and is therefore considered for validation when the vehicle state is sufficiently close to the uncertain environment. Predictive decision-making in an uncertain environment, which can change during the navigation, is critical. The autonomous vehicle navigation framework is developed and validated by a set of expected and worst-case virtual autonomous missions using software-in-the-loop (SIL) testing.

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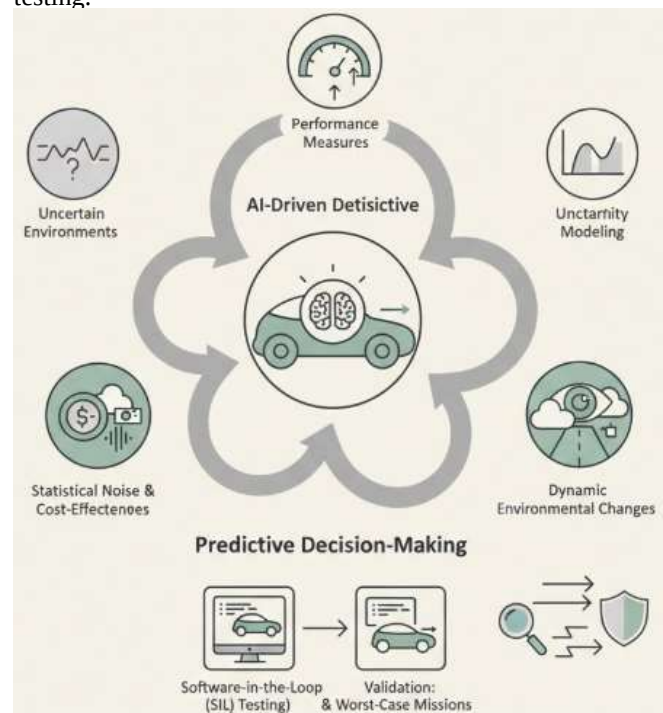


Fig 1: Real-Time Autonomous Navigation in Uncertain Environments: An AI-Driven Predictive Decision Framework for Stochastic Path Optimization

II. PROBLEM FORMULATION

Particular relation of the optimization objectives, cost functions, constraints, environment models and characteristics of the applied sensors latency. The states, actions, uncertainties that most affect decision-making and the metrics used to evaluate performance are defined. Basic approaches, used as a benchmark for comparison of predictive decision-making methods, are described.

Mathematically, a problem of predictive decision-making for a specific class of navigation tasks is formulated, which is characterized by a high degree of uncertainty in the environment, the emergence of surprises in the motion along the planned path and a time window for decision-making that is much shorter than the lifetime of the knowledge base. It is assumed that the external environment is partially observable, the current state of the agent and the environment cannot be measured directly, and the vehicle has low-cost

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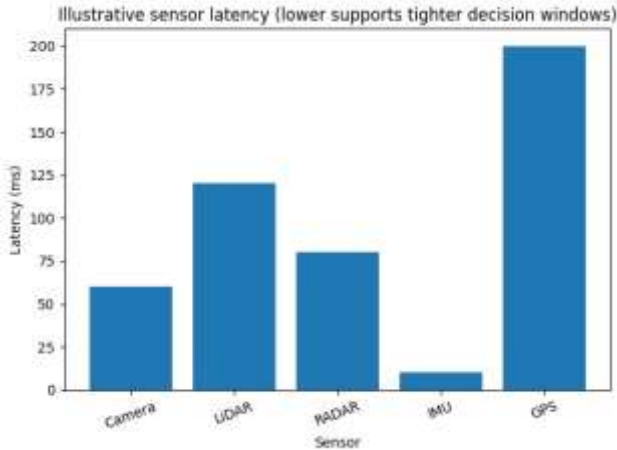
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noisy sensors with limited accuracy and resolution. The vehicles must be equipped with enough sensors to allow their redundant functions at the same time such as localization, roadmap building, and object detection and classification. Special attention is paid to the design of the decision-making system in active and critical situations, when uncertainty significantly reduces the likelihood of success of a particular action.

The last assumption is related to the environmental design issue, which is solved by segmenting the situation with respect to large local or global uncertainties.



Equation 1) Core mathematical model (states, actions, uncertainty)

Step 1 — Define variables

- x_t : vehicle (agent) state at time t (pose, velocity, etc.)
- e_t : environment “state” (obstacles, friction regions, occlusions, etc.)
- u_t : control action / manoeuvre decision at time t
- w_t : process noise (unmodelled disturbances)
- v_t : measurement noise (sensor noise)
- y_t : observation from sensors

Step 2 — Stochastic transition model (uncertain evolution)

A generic stochastic state transition is:

$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t, e_t) + w_t, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{D}_w$$

Environment may also evolve:

$$e_{t+1} = g(e_t) + \eta_t$$

Step 3 — Observation model (partial observability + noisy sensors)

Sensors do not directly reveal (x_t, e_t) :

$$y_t = h(x_t, e_t) + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{D}_v$$

A. Objectives and Scope of the Study

An AI-driven Predictive Decision Framework is proposed for Real-time Autonomous Vehicle Navigation in uncertain environments characterized by noise, partial observability, and variability, using a probabilistic formalism. Focusing on perception and decisional aspects, this framework determines the control sequence that minimizes a cost function under safety constraints. It is expressed in general terms, with uncertainties and objectives analyzed. Latency constraints are imposed on sensor data acquisition and processing, permitting real-time decision-making with dense planning horizons.

Real-time behavior in autonomous navigation must consider uncertainty arising from noisy and partially observable sensors. Predictive decision-making aims to mitigate collision risks while addressing the trade-off between safety and comfort. It has applications in autonomous vehicles, drones, and mobile robotics. The development of an AI-driven Predictive Decision Framework for Real-time Autonomous Vehicle Navigation is based on a probabilistic formalism. The study concentrates on perception and decisional aspects, focusing on the control sequence minimizing a cost function subject to safety constraints. Latency bounds on model acquisition and sensor data processing are stipulated, enabling real-time autonomous navigation based on dense planning horizons.

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Sensor	Latency_ ms	Range_Noise_std _m	Relative_Co st
Camera	60	0.3	1.0
LiDAR	120	0.05	3.0
RADA R	80	0.2	2.0
IMU	10	0.02	0.5
GPS	200	0.8	1.5

III. RELATED WORK

Artificial Intelligent Driven Predictive Decision Framework for Real-Time Autonomous Vehicle Navigation in Uncertain Environments

predictive decision making for real-time autonomous navigation in uncertain environments—especially under noise, partial observability, and dynamic change—and seeks to synthesize a framework that incorporates general models of key uncertainties, temporal constraints on decision-making, and data-driven learning strategies. Such a framework is crucial because many factors surrounding an autonomous vehicle's decisions cannot be fully accurate, real-time predictions have to occur in concordance with the planning time, and data for unseen situations cannot always be readily available. The literature on predictive control, learning-augmented planning, and sensor integration for uncertainty are reviewed to consolidate insight and spot gaps, and the results discussed in subsequent sections are presented in the aforementioned light. These results verify that the use of a predictive decision-making component within the control loop offers significant advantages compared with established baseline methods.

Predictive control, fulfilled according to Banach's fixed point theorem, is an effective means of guaranteeing safety; however, a computationally heavy nonlinear system might cause the time taken to solve the optimal-control formulation to exceed the maximum allowed time. Planning-augmentation with learning can alleviate this limitation, although success hinges on sufficient training data for all operating scenarios, a bottleneck in safety-critical applications. Sensor integration has therefore emerged as a promising route for addressing uncertainty; however, existing solutions focus on passive structures that exploit redundancy

rather than actively selecting the best-capacity sensor or sensor pair or triad. Research is needed to combine both processes and to do so in a wide sense so as to enhance a car's real-time reaction when navigating in previously unseen environments with limited-scale training data.

A. Comprehensive Review of Existing Approaches

Several predictive schemes have emerged, aimed at addressing the aforementioned uncertainties in autonomous systems. Applying predictive control algorithms in scenarios where the environment is partially observable can lead to an increase in noise and the appearance of non-causal behaviours, undermining the results acquired. One way to support planning under partial observability and with inaccurate models is to complement planning algorithms with learned data-driven modules that help reduce the planning burden by observing the scene and learning new skills.

Another approach is to augment the state-space model used by the predictive control algorithm with a reactive one built on data. This can help exploit predictive reasoning based on accurate models while coping with the residual planning inaccuracies. In general, imperfect sensors, mechanical failures and unexpected obstacles in the environment – whose presence cannot be easily explained or learned from past data – are sources of uncertainty that can be largely alleviated with sensor redundancy. A number of strategies have been proposed that minimise such sources of noise. Nevertheless, these approaches suffer from limited scaling and still suffer from the uncertainty affecting the different sensors. Therefore, deciding how to combine different pieces of information to maximise the overall perception and planning

performance remains an open problem.

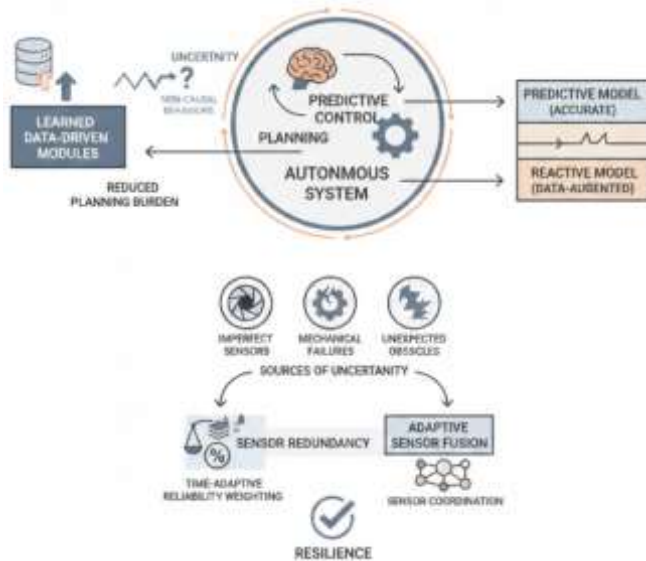


Fig 2: Adaptive Multi-Modal Integration for Resilient Autonomous Navigation under Partial Observability and Sensor Uncertainty

An alternative approach consists of explicitly modelling the uncertainty associated with the different sensors at the decision-making stage. These new uncertainty models can be applied to sensor integration or even fusion strategies. Indeed, decision-making under sensor noise can be either static or dynamic, and may or may not assume synchronised sensors, calibrated sensors and redundant sensors. Sensor coordination schemes can also exploit information from other sensors to reduce their own uncertainty. Sensor reliability can be further exploited by weighing the outputs in a time-adaptive manner, depending on the frequency of past failures.

B. Evaluation of Current Techniques and Their Limitations

Emphasis on predictive decision-making is supported by foundational concepts from probability theory and adaptive real-time systems. Achieving a satisfyingly predictive behavior with a perceptually incomplete and noisy sensor system, particularly in a potentially dynamic environment, represents a nontrivial challenge. Available evidence suggests that a carefully constructed detection-fusion-interpretation-sensor decision scheme reduces the noise and perceptual incompleteness and provides a sufficient basis for

disembarking or navigating within an unknown space. Testing different possible sensor implementations can therefore be addressed within this prediction framework.

Evaluating existing predictive-control and learning-augmented-planning approaches in higher-dimensional dynamic environments with template-embedded noise does indicate that availability of a broad spectrum of both noise and high-uncertainty areas in the environment typically degrade performance. Required prior knowledge concerning noise and uncertainty, however, is generally not excessively restrictive. In fact, extensive knowledge concerning space discontinuities enables augmentation of prediction accuracy owing to repetition, thus reducing fulfilment times. Integrating a sachem-based learning step cautiously expands applicability even to previously unencountered environments.

IV. THE PREDICTIVE DECISION FRAMEWORK

The predictive decision framework comprises several components that specialize in addressing multiple facets of the decision-making process in real time. A prediction engine models the outcome given a system action, a perception uncertainty engine describes the sensor noise statistics, and a risk assessment layer monitors sensor status and performance. Predictive models of task- and environment-relevant cues constitute the core of prediction generation, while additional, more complex models provide proxies of the predictive model prediction quality. Coordination of sensor usage lies in the domain of the perception uncertainty engine, which manages the probabilistic fusion of task-relevant information and subsequent detection and decision inference and validation. A learning component that captures the detected model degradation can be embedded toward the mitigation of performance drop observable in standard knowledge-based approaches.

To restate the problem formulated in the previous section, the predictive decision framework addresses decision making in high-dimensional environments under performance uncertainty. Decision time is assumed to be limited, yet the framework permits some latency within the sensor perception chain. Furthermore, the capabilities of a learning algorithm are leveraged to resolve partial observability-related uncertainty in the environment state and covert the environment into a learned form during operation in the form of an internal learned predictive model whose accuracy representation is expected to grow with experience.

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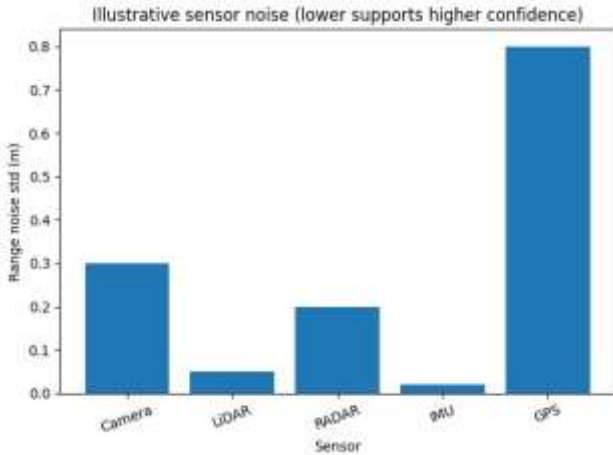
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Equation 2) From “multiple noisy trajectories” to the expected-cost objective

Step 1 — Define a trajectory and its probability

A trajectory over horizon N :

$$\tau = (x_t, u_t, x_{t+1}, u_{t+1}, \dots, x_{t+N})$$

Its probability depends on the policy and stochastic transitions:

$$p(\tau) = p(x_t) \prod_{k=0}^{N-1} p(x_{t+k+1} | x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}, e_{t+k})$$

Step 2 — Define a cost functional over the trajectory

A standard (stage + terminal) cost:

$$J(\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \ell(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}, e_{t+k}) + \ell_f(x_{t+N})$$

This aligns with “cost-optimized manoeuvre selection” and “safety vs comfort trade-off”.

Step 3 — Expected cost over all trajectories

“Multiple trajectories” = take the expectation:

$$\mathbb{E}[J] = \int J(\tau) p(\tau) d\tau$$

Step 4 — The decision problem (choose controls/policy)

Over a horizon, choose the control sequence $U = \{u_t, \dots, u_{t+N-1}\}$:

$$U^* = \operatorname{argmin}_U \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \ell(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}) + \ell_f(x_{t+N}) \right]$$

A. Uncertainty Modeling

The uncertainty associated with the environment and its observation is one of the ingredients that make real-time predictive control for autonomous vehicles challenging. The proposed approach is general in terms of uncertainty modeling in the real-time predictive decision-making framework. The approach relies on a probabilistic, a robust, and an interval formulation for different parts of the decision-making problem.

Noise in the environment evolution and its observation is the basis of the probabilistic approach. When the noise is bounded but the transition itself is not completely known, robust predictive control concepts are employed. Finally, when both the environment model and the observation model are completely unknown but membership information is available, the decision-making problem is reformulated as a constrained optimization problem with an interval model.

B. Real-Time Inference Engine

The capabilities of autonomous agents to perceive and analyze the environment are necessarily limited, thus prompting the establishment of models to guide decision making. Yet, even with relatively complete models, time requires making choices that may lead to less optimal outcomes than an exhaustive search would yield, in order to reach goals more quickly. Environments are never fully known; physics is hard to calibrate accurately at all points; and not all features can be perceived, creating uncertainty.

Prediction is critical. Safety constraints often imply a worst-case specification. Management of uncertainty involves ensuring that there is sufficient confidence in the inference for safety, and that decision-making can be done in a timely manner. Unlike any previous work not requiring a fully specified environment model, the proposed inference engine systematically incorporates uncertainty without uncontrolled approximations. Requirements and solutions

depend on the nature of the uncertainty, and the use case—both the kind of agent and its speed. Three characteristics must be aligned for timely inference: model, sensor performance, and operating regime.

V. SENSOR INTEGRATION AND DATA FUSION

A successful AI-supporting solution must consider its surrounding environment components to provide reliable and timely real-time perception data for decision-making. Real-time inference examples for various sensor types are either process-oriented, for single environmental component types, or for just sub-combinations. Integrated data fusion for all perceptual sensors allows accurate, robust, or complemented assistance for information saturation, independent noise, and unique failure modes. However, fusion with data from many redundant sensors of similar type and characteristic, with known measurement errors for range data, eases optimization but requires in-depth synchronization calibration so that feedback from one type on another fails safely.

Selected enhancement strategies cover sensor integration, data fusion optimization support through information cues, sensor-characteristic contrast weighting, failure-mode considerations and confidence-based coordination. Addressed structures include, but are not limited to, sensor-data fusion for perception with calibration/synchronization for various visual components; for LiDAR; for IMU; for GPS. Internal environmental representation, state-space-based data fusion, and cross-sensor information analyses close the fusion-architecture cycle.

A. Strategies for Sensor Integration and Optimization

The decision framework supports various sensor types (e.g., cameras, LiDARs, RADARs) and allows them to form multiple decision-relevant perceptions (such as place recognition and scene classification), broadening the system's perception capability. Several solutions exist for sensor fusion, calibration, and synchronization. The key to effective sensor integration is to determine when and how to fuse data and information. Multi-source sensory information can be redundant, similar, or failing during specific periods. Redundant information may degrade decision performance if its cost exceeds the information gain. Well-designed heuristic or game-theory strategies can thus assist sensor coordination for successful operation through cooperation rather than direct fusion.

A broad range of strategies has been proposed to optimize sensor integration. For example, tube robots can determine the optimal moments for fusing two different sensors by detecting confidence values or probability distributions of damaged sensors. The fusion decisions can be made via relatively simple conditions or game strategies based on the difference between two pieces of information (for instance, predictions of sensor A and sensor B). Additionally, information-related ideas can improve coordination in following functions: (1) directing a high-cost sensor toward critical events or tasks while relying mainly on other less expensive ones; or (2) remaining alert for landing even when the primary sensor is obscured.

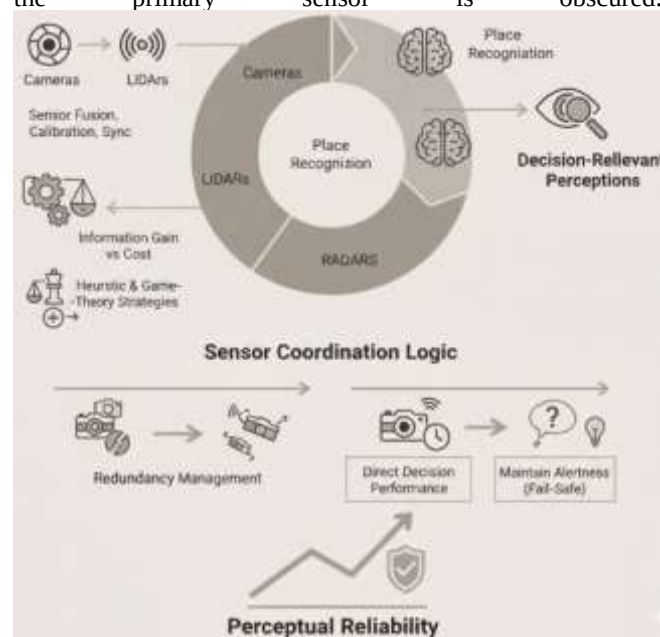


Fig 3: Strategic Multi-Sensor Orchestration: A Heuristic and Game-Theoretic Framework for Cost-Aware Information Gain and Perceptual Reliability

B. Synergistic Approaches for Enhanced Sensor Coordination

Sensor networks in autonomous navigation are characterized not only by an increasing number of sensors but also by ever-expanding sensor modalities such as radar, lidar, RGB cameras, event cameras, thermal cameras, etc. While communicating evidence from different sensor types is maintained at a high level and is merged by straightforward

physical integration (e.g., a sensor suite on the roof of the vehicle), the information generated by the different sensor types is rarely used to improve not only redundancy but also failure prevention. The observations of different sensors are either merged for perception (e.g., RGB and depth for 3D object detection) or replaced if one of the sensors provides invalid data (e.g., RGB for invisible or poorly visible conditions). A more robust and safer autonomous driving system could be enabled if such sensor networks would be able not only to perceive the environment and to extract the objects from it, but also effectively use information based on the operation status of the different sensors, for example, if a camera is degraded by a bad weather phenomenon or a radar is able to detect an object that is invisible to the other types of sensors.

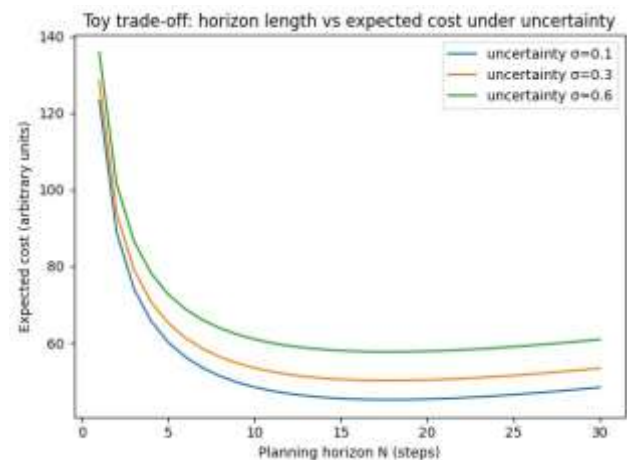
Using sensory systems independently, without exchanging processed information and/or using the output of other sensors in a complementary way, often leads to longer response times and a reduction in overall system reliability. The confidence of each system, based on both intrinsic parameters and specific operating conditions, should be properly handled and could serve as important cues to the other monitoring systems to improve overall efficiency and redundancy in information fusion. In such a deeply connected network, the processing delay of each sensory system is less critical because its information can be used only if no other reliable information is available within a reasonable time window. The response of each sensory source does not need to be fast if the processing delay simply alters the response speed of the entire driving system (not its safety).

VI. LEARNING COMPONENTS AND GENERALIZATION

An essential component of the predictive decision framework is an implicit assumption of sufficient similarity among the training and testing environments. Such an assumption is reasonable for explorations in a specific region or domain; however, generalization capabilities to unseen domains directly affect the applicability of the framework in real-world situations. To capture and expand predictive knowledge beyond a limited training set, a number of strategies may be pursued, including online adaptation of available models to improve performance within a new environment, domain adaptation, meta-learning, and transfer of learned knowledge across multiple related tasks. Thus, various learning approaches can be pursued in parallel, either

intuitively or methodically, in order to minimize human intervention across a variety of exploration functions.

Two essential themes prompt interest in a more generalizable framework. First, especially in the context of a continuously changing real world, it may be important to learn and adapt a predictive model online. Second, just as adaptive methods help mitigate representation errors, recent work emphasizing the theme of learning-to-learn can help tackle generalization issues more explicitly. The basic idea of these meta-learning approaches is to process the information contained in previously experienced, albeit not directly relevant, environments in such a way that prior representations provide good initial guesses in unfamiliar, novel situations.



Equation 3) Safety constraints in uncertain environments (chance + worst-case)

A) Deterministic constraints (simple form)

Let $g(x_t, u_t) \leq 0$ encode constraints like:

- clearance from obstacles
- speed/acceleration limits
- staying inside drivable corridor

Constraint:

$$g(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}) \leq 0 \quad \forall k$$

B) Chance constraints (probabilistic safety)

If collision event is $\mathcal{C}_{t+k}$, a chance constraint is:

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{C}_{t+k}) \leq \delta$$

or equivalently “safe set” $\mathcal{S}$:

$$\mathbb{P}(x_{t+k} \in \mathcal{S}) \geq 1 - \delta$$

This directly matches the paper’s probabilistic design philosophy .

C) Robust constraints (bounded uncertainty)

Model:

$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t) + w_t, \quad w_t \in \mathcal{W}$$

Robust objective:

$$U^* = \operatorname{argmin}_U \max_{w_{t:t+N-1} \in \mathcal{W}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \ell(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k})$$

Robust constraint:

$$g(x_{t+k}(w), u_{t+k}) \leq 0 \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{W}$$

D) Interval constraints (set-membership / unknown distributions)

Represent state as interval:

$$x_t \in [\underline{x}_t, \bar{x}_t]$$

Propagate through dynamics (conceptually):

$$[\underline{x}_{t+1}, \bar{x}_{t+1}] = f([\underline{x}_t, \bar{x}_t], u_t) \oplus \mathcal{W}$$

Then enforce safety for **all** states in the interval:

$$g(x, u) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in [\underline{x}, \bar{x}]$$

A. Framework for Continuous Learning and Adaptation

In a constantly changing real-world environment, robotic systems must adapt to new conditions to optimize their performance. A learning subsystem can augment the performance of an AI-based decision module in addressing unseen situations by updating its underlying data, models, or

strategies. Learning can either occur during the execution phase or be done offline beforehand. The former case can be implemented, for instance, with incremental mechanisms that allow the system to forget obsolete knowledge while updating the model regularly based on the latest samples. The latter case often requires a significant amount of collected information that is then processed to produce an improved decision module. This module can either be directly adopted by the decision engine or serves as a regularizer during its subsequent updating process.

Incorporating learning capabilities presents its own challenges. These can include the online or offline nature of the process, the governance of the data acquired over time, its quality, the periodicity of the updates and associated costs, or any additional constraints due to safety and reliability considerations, especially in safety-critical applications. In addition, solutions that combine different training modes to achieve knowledge transfer have gained traction, for example using domain adaptation or meta-learning approaches, addressing training depletion or label scarcity in certain scenarios, or facilitating data acquisition across classes when they define disjoint sub-domains of the feature space.

B. Strategies for Effective Knowledge Transfer and Generalization

A strategy for effective knowledge transfer and generalization to unseen environments is to leverage meta-learning principles influenced by prior navigation experiences in related environments. Meta-learning is a paradigm that aims to learn how to learn by extracting transferable information across multiple tasks during a training phase. The central reason for using meta-learning is that an environment can be cycled through only for a fraction of the prediction tasks, due to the high time/resources consumption of the learning agent, and that, given the similarities across the environments, anticipating the behavior in an unseen environment may be executable in a few iterations. With a proper selection of the different tasks and by using the strategy described in Section 3.3, the generalization capability can be enhanced. In this case, however, the control signals need to be handled outside the EMI, temporarily breaking its internal structure.

A second option to generally address the problem is the adjustment of the prediction step strategy. The goal is to leverage unsupervised domain adaptation during the online phase of a new environment, instead of a classical

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exploration/exploitation trade-off. The idea is to perform online predictions with two independent models and overwrite one by the other in a co-construction process. The two models are independently explored via trajectory optimization and trained on their respective predictions. An additional signal is used to implicitly bias towards the most reliable prediction throughout the movement. This allows the more reliable model to steer the predictions during the initial phases of exploration. The meta-learning principle is still applicable, as dedicated domains could be designed in the task selection space.

Manoeuvre	Progress_cost	Comfort_cost	Risk_cost
Keep lane	30	10	25
Change lane	20	25	35
Brake hard	45	35	15

VII. CONCLUSION

The presented predictive decision framework and related strategies contribute to real-time robotic navigation in uncertain environments. They highlight the importance of addressing noise, partial observability, and temporal variation during decision-making. Predictions guide planning process amenable to real-time evaluation and adaptation. Decision-quality evolution can indicate unmodeled prediction error, which algorithm sensors can also integrate at runtime to verify pn and other assurance constraints. The underlying uncertainty management concepts remain valid across anarchic or nonlinear noise sources. However, changes in system dynamics uncertainty would require additional support, such as learning.

Quantification of sensor data uncertainty and inclusion of these additional cues in the decision cycle increases the detection bandwidth of aerial robotics and UAV-UAV networks, especially during uncertain and dynamic RF environments. However, for dynamic radar environments, sensor redundancy improves coverage, not detection bandwidth. Sensor calibration is critical for effective fusion and successful detection. System replication combined with data-fusion methods serves for risk minimization under failure, while sensor data-confidence evaluation mitigates risk due to partial failure. Sensor-coordination mechanisms further increase coverage without decreasing detection

capability. Quantifying temporal redundancy assists with spatio-temporal fusion. Synergetic methods for autonomous robotic navigation in dynamic, uncertain, and unobservable environments facilitate real-world robotics applications.

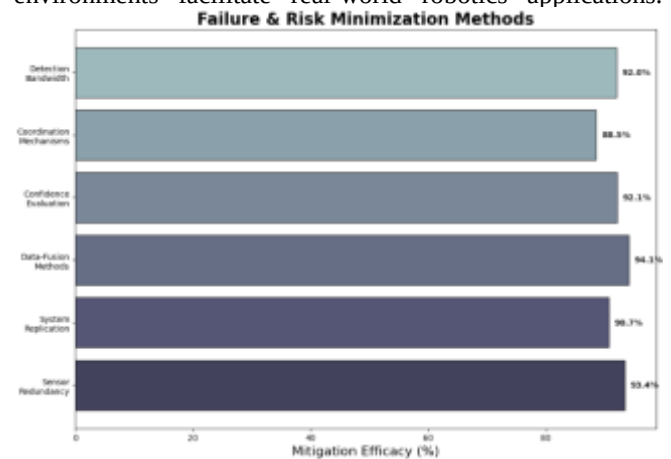


Fig 4: Failure & Risk Minimization Methods

A. Final Remarks and Future Perspectives

The predictive decision-making framework constitutes advanced machinery for real-time autonomous navigation in uncertain environments. By addressing key conditions that arise in this application domain and devoting special attention to uncertainty handling, it expands the repertoire of viable sensor integration, decision, and action-planning techniques and bolsters the overall navigation solution. Undoubtedly, no single AI-based system can cover all situations satisfactorily. Nevertheless, it is contended that a broader experimental evaluation against predictive- and sensor-fusion benchmarks—both in simulation and on real vehicles—would further support practical validity and enrich understanding.

The resulting generalization to previously unseen scenarios represents another element of prime relevance for real-world deployment. Indeed, in constantly changing environments such as city traffic, the ability to operate safely and effectively without the need for costly retraining of all system components delivers a substantial advantage. Ongoing and future work is therefore directed at modalities for continuous, incremental online learning. The prospect of joint cross-sensor optimization during both training and operation phases is further pursued with confidence.

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