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Introduction

Challenges with simulation's input data:

- simulation success relies on high-quality data (Wenzel et al. 2007)
- data gathering and processing is time-consuming
- poor data quality causes problems with credibility (Onggo et al. 2013)

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Introduction

Increasing dissemination of cyber-physical systems:

- valuable proposition of new data sources
- considered essential for digital twins (Yang et al. 2017; Shao and Kibira 2018; Srewil and Scherer 2017)
- the analysis of spatio-temporal data has the potential to discover hidden patterns that result in non-trivial insights (Nikitopoulos et al. 2018)





Flashback to:

52nd CIRP Conference on Manufacturing Systems Framework for the usage of data from real-time indoor localization systems to derive inputs for manufacturing simulation

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Objective of this contribution



each production order is tracked with the RTILS

process sequence and layout are known

semantic trajectories can be used for the calculation of lead time distributions

three algorithms are presented for the semantic enrichment



Fundamentals

Real-time Indoor Localization Systems

- here: based on ultra-wide band technology
 - bandwith > 500 MHz
 - frequencies 3,1-10,6 GHz
 - TDOA / RTOF

- stationary devices:
 - satellites
 - industrial computer
- mobile devices:
 - markers



Semantic Enrichment



Own illustration taken from Mieth et al. 2019

Related Work

Previous approaches consider radio-frequency identification (indoor) or GPS data (outdoor):

- Zhong et al. (2014): mined operating times from RFID-enabled worker data
- Srewil and Scherer 2017: enriched RFID-data with location context of construction sites
- Rashid et al. 2017: worker tracking at construction sites for training a hidden markov model for trajectory
 prediction which is used to calculate risk index for workers (location-based safety alerts)

Open Challenges

- UWB-based RTILS production data ≠ RFID data
 - Yan et al. 2013: techniques for semantic events inferred from raw GPS-like data should be developed
- Zheng 2015: trajectory data mining applications: movements of people, transportation vehicles, animals and natural phenomena → manufacturing not mentioned!

Related Work

approaches to determine stay points in GPS-data

- Li et al. 2008: stay point detection algorithm → no semantics ⊗
- Palma et al. 2008: a clustering-based approach with adaptive tresholds, clusters are mapped on polygons
- Rocha et al. 2010: a direction-based spatio-temporal clustering method (frequent changes = POI)
- Alvares et al. 2010: trajectory are split whenever borders of areas are crossed → not robust ☺

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(illustrations taken from Graaff et al. 2016)

(a) Alvares's IB-SMoT (b) Palma's CB-SMoT (c) Rocha's DB-SMoT

- Graaff et al. 2016: use accuracy of the location samples, reductions in speed, changes in direction and projection of signals onto parcel polygons
- there are no approaches for production environments
- difficulties: outdoor < indoor → proximity, adjacency, overlap
 signal interferences → inherent inaccuracy of the data (Richly 2018)

Proposed approaches

Online Semantic Annotation (real-time)

- based on the distance to points of interest (POI)
- based on areas of interest (AOI)

Offline Semantic Annotation (when the whole trajectory is known)

trajectory segmentation as a classification problem (CP)

Algorithm for Online Semantic Annotation → based on Points of Interest (POI)

Idea: use $R_j(t, P_i) \coloneqq \frac{1}{d_{oj,P_i}(t)} + \sum_{f=1}^{F} \frac{1}{w_f d_{oj}, p_i(t-f)}$ as discriminator for the allocation of a measurement

- P_i refers to a location (x_i, y_i) on the shopfloor with semantic meaning (e.g. machine or workplace)
- $d_{o_i,P_i}(t)$ euclidean distance betwenn production order o_j and POI P_i
- pseudo probability: relating each current rating to the sum of all ratings at the time



Algorithm for Online Semantic Annotation → based on Areas of Interest (AOI)

Idea: allocate measurements to AOIs, if the majority of the last F measurements are inside

A_i refers to an arbitrarily shaped area on the shopfloor that has a semantic meaning

(e.g. work area around a machine or a storage)

$PIA((x,y),A_i) = $	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$	inside on border outside	the discriminator is the point-in-area (PIA) test that checks if the measured point (x,y) is in A _i
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• if the sum of all values returned by the PIA-test inside the window size F is greater or equal zero \rightarrow location change

Pseudocode can be found in the paper ;)

input : spatio-temporal trajectories \underline{S}_j for each production order o_j , window size F , weighting factors w_1, \ldots, w_F , points of interest $P_i \forall i = 1 \dots N$							
output: semantic trajectory $\underline{S}_{a,j}$, event log							
for each $t = 1 \dots T$ do							
check plausibility constraints for measurement	$s_j(t)$						
for each production order o _j do							
for each point of interest P_i do							
if $t \leq F$ then							
$R_j(t,P_i):=rac{1}{d_{o_j,P_i}(t)}$;	// initilization of first ratings						
else							
$R_{j}(t,P_{i}) := \frac{1}{d_{o_{j},P_{i}}(t)} + \sum_{f=1}^{F} \frac{1}{w_{f}d_{o_{j},P_{i}}(t-f)}$; // rating function						
assign P_i with $max\{R_j(t, P_i)\}$ to $\underline{s}_{a,j}(t)$;	// chose most likely P_i						
if $P_i(t) \neq P_i(t-1)$ then							
save timestamp to eventlog ;	<pre>// location has changed</pre>						
return $\underline{S}_{a,i}(t)$, event log							

Algorithm 1: Pseudocode for the allocation of measurements to points of interest (POI).



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AOIs sometimes tricky
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both definitions influence the results

input: trajectories S_j for each production order o_j, window size F, disjoint areas of interest A_i ∀i = 1...N
 output: semantic trajectory S_{a,j}, event log

for each $t = 1 \dots T$ do

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check plausibility constraints for measurement s_i(t)
     for each production order o<sub>i</sub> do
         for each area of interest A<sub>i</sub> do
              if (t > F) then
                   if PIA(\underline{s}_i(t), A_i) = 1 then
                       if A_i(t) \neq A_i(t-1) then
                            if \sum_{f=1}^{F} PIA(\underline{s}_i(t-f), A_i) \ge 0 then
                                 save event at t - \lfloor \frac{F}{2} \rfloor to eventlog; // location has changed
                                 A_i to \underline{s}_{a,i}(t);
                                                                                     // assign measurement
                                 A_i to \underline{s}_{a,j}(t-1) \dots \underline{s}_{a,j}(t-\lfloor \frac{F}{2} \rfloor);
                                                                                   // update previous ones
                            else
                                 assign previously identified area of interest A_i at (t-1) to \underline{s}_{a,i}(t)
                        else
                            assign previously identified area of interest A_i at (t-1) to \underline{s}_{a,i}(t)
                   else if PIA(\underline{s}_i(t), A_i) = 0 then
                        assign previously identified area of interest A_i at (t-1) to s_{a,i}(t)
              else
                   if PIA(\underline{s}_i(t), A_i) = 1 then
                        assign area of interest A_i to \underline{s}_{a,i}(t);
                                                                                              // initilization
return \underline{S}_{a,i}(t), event log
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Algorithm 2: Pseudocode for the allocation of measurements to areas of interests (AOI).

Classification Problem (CP)

Idea: each measurement is assigned to a process class

- decision variable k_t for each position measurement $s_j(t) \rightarrow$ process class $V_t \in V$
- two possible error functions: $e_j(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & PIA^*(t) = k_t \\ 1 & PIA^*(t) \neq k_t \end{cases}$ or $e_j(t) = 1 p(t)$

• transistion function
$$u(k_t, k_{t+1}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{no change detected: } k_t = k_{t+1} \\ 1 & \text{change detected: } k_t \neq k_{t+1} \end{cases}$$

Image: space of processes is not violatedThe sequence of processes is not violatedassignment error should be minimized w.r.t.assignment error should be minimized w.r.t.Image: space of processes is not violatedImage: space of processes is not violated

Comparison of the Algorithms



Algorithm 1				Alg. 2	Classification Problem					
time t	(x,y)	PIA	POI	$R_j(t,P_A)$	$R_j(t,P_B)$	AOI	CPI	e	p_A or p_B	CPII
1	(3,1)	A	A	0,50	0,19	A	A	0	0,9	Α
2	(3,2)	A	A	1,00	0,20	A	A	0	0,95	Α
3	(4,2)	A	A	1,37	0,40	A	A	0	0,8	Α
4	(6,2)	В	A	1,00	0,63	$A \rightarrow B$	B	0	0,51	Α
5	(6,3)	В	B	0,73	0,80	В	B	0	0,55	Α
6	(5,4)	A	A	0,719	0,715	В	В	1	0,7	Α
7	(7,4)	В	B	0,58	1,03	B	B	0	0,7	В
8	(8,4)	В	B	0,47	1,46	В	B	0	0,8	В
9	(8,5)	В	B	0,37	2,74	В	B	0	0,9	В

Non cycle-free graph

Cycle-free graph **only** because window size was sufficiently chosen

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- cycle-free graph is guaranteed by design of the constraints
- can handle adjacency & overlapping
- rework can be identified \rightarrow number of classes can be adjusted

Sensor Fusion Concept

combining knowledge from different sensor types

With existing approaches it is only possible to detect time shares between events that correspond to a change in location

Sometimes it is also of interest to split these times shares into smaller parts



Summary

- introduction of semantic enrichment
- presentation of three approaches for semantic enrichment (online and offline)
- comparison of these algorithms
- presentation of a sensor fusion concept

Future work

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How to calculate lead time distributions from semantic trajectories



Domain ontology



Figure 2: Manufacturing domain ontology for the semantic enrichment of trajectory from RTILS.

Graph of the production process

For a more reliable assignment of the measurements to the points or areas of interest, technological restrictions will be considered in the form of logical operation sequences. All possible operation sequences within the production system are part of a directed graph G = (V, Arc). Each node V_i in the node set V represents an operation that is performed at the point or area of interest P_i or A_i , respectively. The arc set Arc contains all directed arcs (V_a, V_b) that always contain two logically sequentially executable production operations. A path $G_j \in G$ corresponds to a sequence of operations that a production order o_j passes through. Let $G^* = (V^*, Arc^*)$ be an extension of G_j that results by adding edges that join each vertex of the path to itself (loops).