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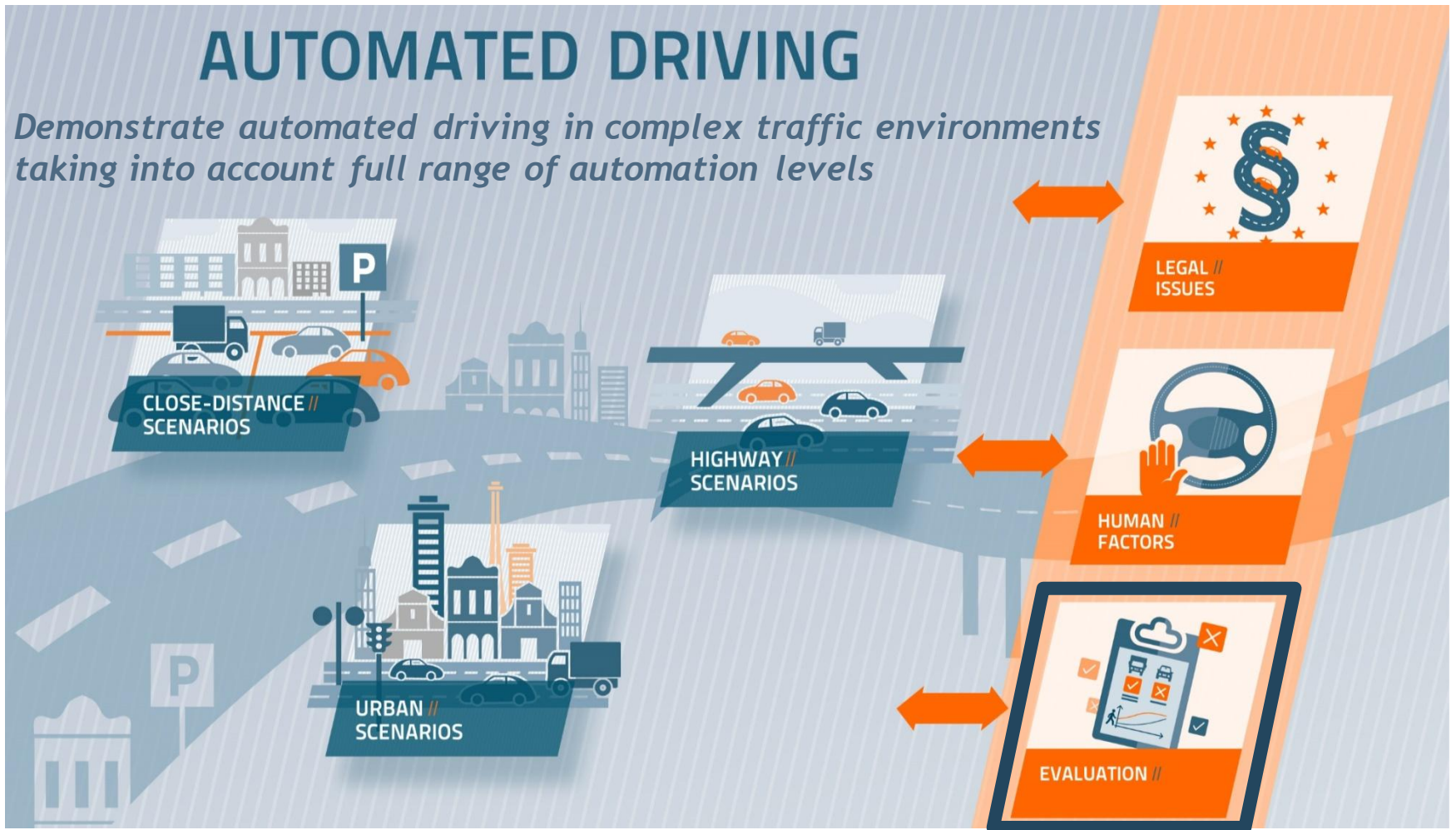
Adapt!Ve - Evaluation

Automated Vehicle Symposium 2015



AUTOMATED DRIVING

Demonstrate automated driving in complex traffic environments taking into account full range of automation levels



// Validation & Verification

Definition according to "IEEE Guide--Adoption of the Project Management Institute Standard A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge"

- Validation
 - The assurance that a product, service, or system meets the needs of the customer and other identified stakeholders. It often involves acceptance and suitability with external customers.
- Verification
 - The evaluation of whether or not a product, service, or system complies with a regulation, requirement, specification, or imposed condition. It is often an internal process.
- Main objectives of SP7 in Adaptive:
 - Evaluation of automated driving research functions in four assessments (technical, user-related, in-traffic, impact assessment)
 - Development of an **evaluation framework** for automate driving functions
 - **Verification** is part of the **technical assessment** (→ checking requirements)
 - Methodology for **impact analysis** of automated driving applications
 - **Validation** is part of safety and environmental **impact assessment** as well as the user-related, in-traffic and **technical assessment**

// Classification automated driving functions

- Classification of automated driving functions for the evaluation
 - According to the SAE definition
 - According the operation time
 - **Event based operating**
 - Function that operates for a short period in time (typically vehicle stands still at the end or the automated driving ends)
 - **Continuously operating**
 - Function that operates for a longer period in time (typically vehicle is still moving at the end of an manoeuvre respectively automated driving is continued)



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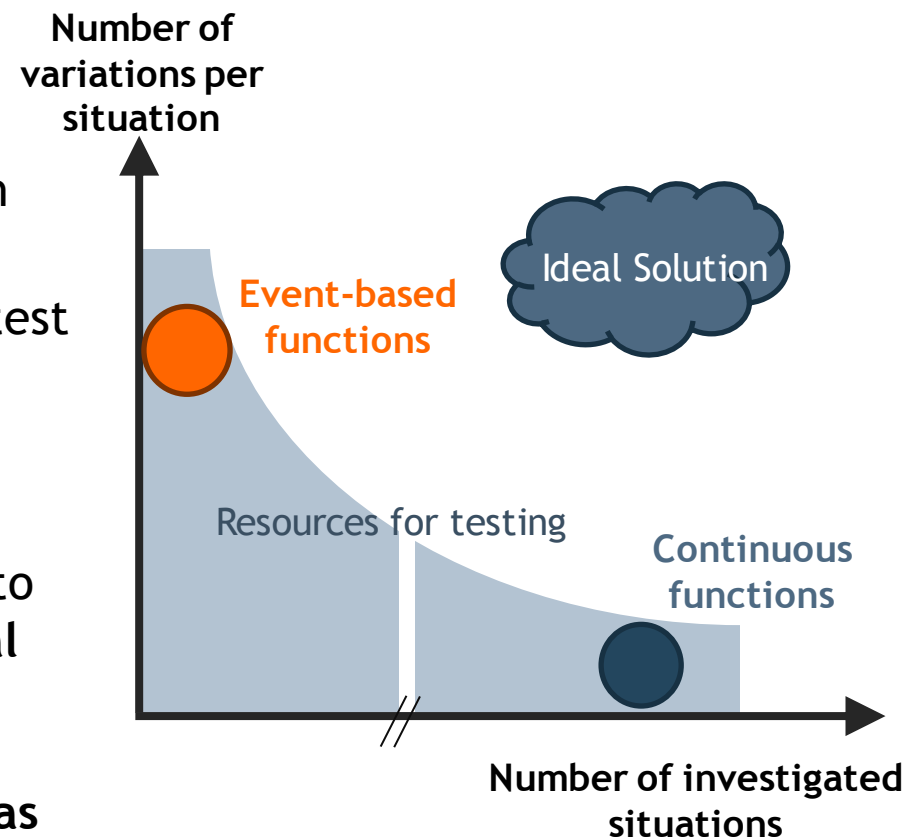
- How to limit the test amount to feasible amount?

Different approaches for event-based and continuously operation function

- Event-based functions: similar approaches as in previous research project e.g. interactIVe
- Continuously operating functions: test on public road

Evaluation criteria

- Automated driving functions need to operate within the **range of normal driving behaviour** (→ not disturb normal driving in mixed traffic conditions) and should **at least be as safe** as non-automated driving



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1. Defining evaluation scope

- Definition of research questions, hypotheses & indicators

2. Planning of assessment

- Analyse system description and adaption of hypotheses
- Planning of test cases
- (Risk assessment)

3. Tests in controlled field

- Number of test variations
- Logging of test data

4. Assessment of tests

- Analysis of hypotheses based on test data & indicators



1. Defining evaluation scope

- Definition of research questions, hypotheses & indicators

2. Planning of assessment

- Analyse system description and adaption of hypotheses
- Planning of test cases and test route
- Definition evaluation criteria (distributions & boundaries)
- Risk assessment

3. Pre-/component tests in controlled field

- Basic tests of functionality
- Sensor tests

4. Tests in real traffic

- Test route and test amount to be determined

5. Assessment of tests

- Analysis of hypotheses based on test data & indicators

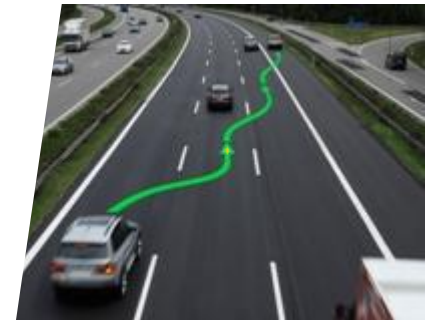


Simulation (SiL)

- In case test effort for other test tools is too high or tests are not feasible (optional)
- Higher relevance for the (serial) development

// Safety Impact Assessment

- Research Question:
 - What is the safety benefit of automated driving functions?
- State of the art approaches for ADAS:
 - Field of application
 - Accident re-simulation
 - Field test
- Open issues for the impact assessment of automated driving applications
 - Today's accident data do not consider collisions of automated vehicles
 - Automated driving function operate already before a critical situation occurs → Re-simulation of accidents gets more difficult
 - Interaction with other road users (automated / non-automated) → mixed traffic

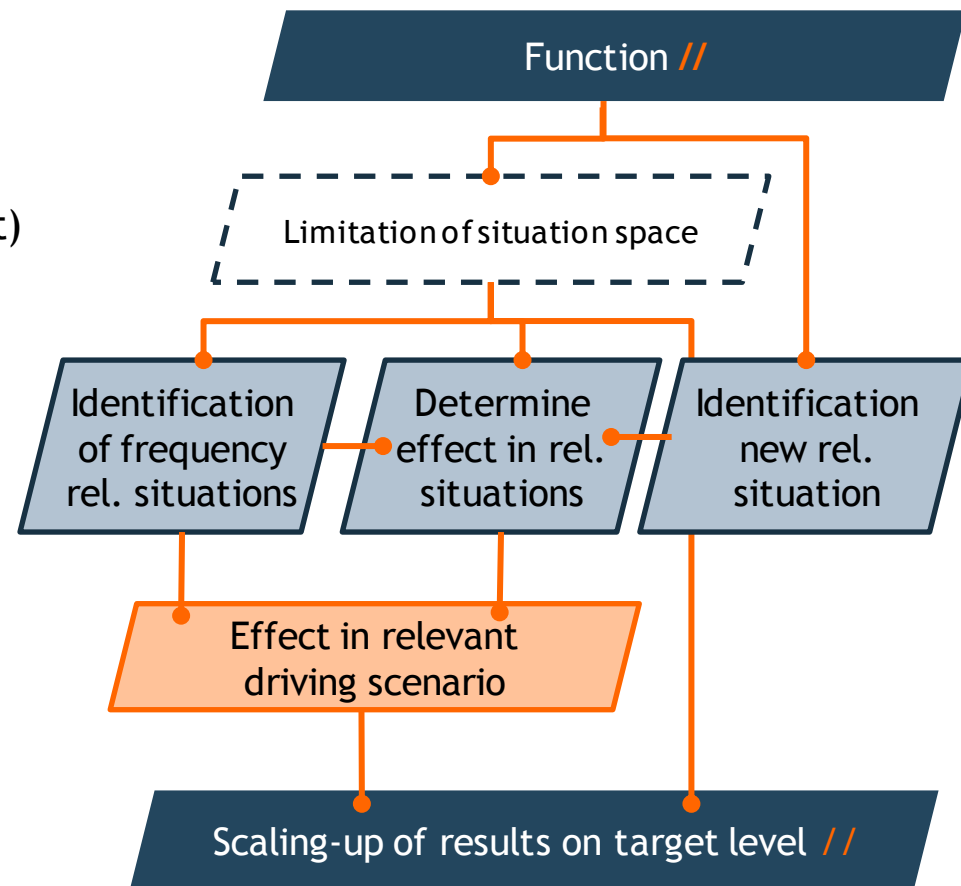


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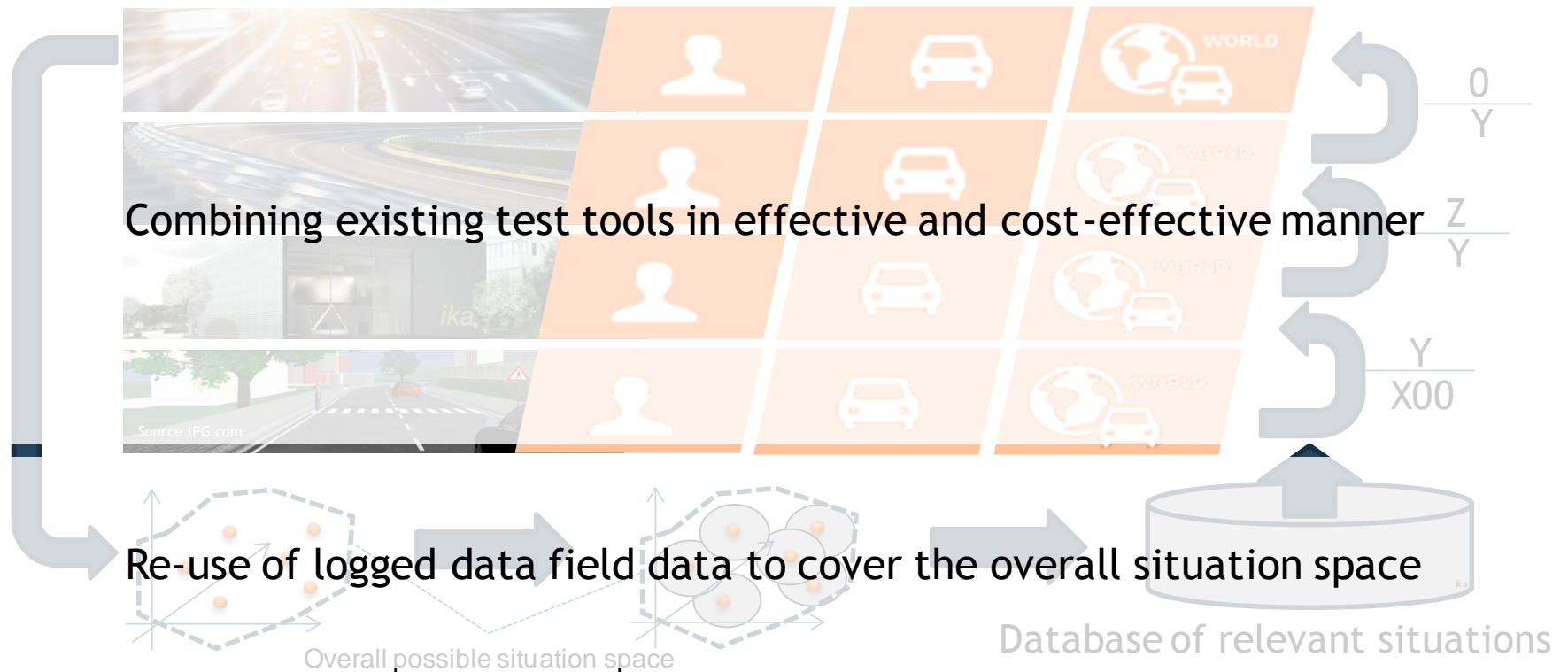
Safety impact assessment in AdaptIVe bases on three main steps

- 1. Identify relevant situations**
 - Focus on accident and other (relevant) driving situations
 - Use of microscope traffic simulation
- 2. Investigate the relevant situation in detail**
 - Approach is similar to the re-simulation approach
 - Input data from other assessment (technical, user-related, in-traffic assessment) are considered
- 3. Identification of new situations**
 - e.g. transition of control or minimum risk maneuver



// Outlook: ika's approach for the safety validation

- How to validate / verify that the a automated driving functions safe enough for the market introduction?
 - Circle of relevant situation approach [ECK13] [ZLO15]



[ECK13]: Eckstein, Zlocki; Safety Potential of ADAS - Combined Methods for an Effective Evaluation; 23rd ESV; 2013

[ZLO15]: Zlocki, Eckstein, Fahrenkrog; Evaluation and sign-off methodology for automated vehicle systems based on relevant driving situations; 94th Annual TRB Meeting; Washington D.C.; 2015



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Thank you.

