Statistical Robustness for Automated Driving Software

Uncertainty

- There are many uncertainties in automated driving systems:
 - Unpredictable environments
 - Limitations and noise of sensors
 - Unpredictable actuation
 - Inaccurate motion model
 - Stochastic features of algorithms such as localization, perception, and timing properties
- Robustness w.r.t uncertainties analysis provides measures for safely deploying and being accepted in public

 During 1 hour of operation, is the probability that the object detection produces different output on a perturbed input smaller than 10⁻⁹?









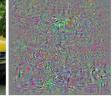
"panda" 57.7% confidence

"nematode" 8.2% confiden

"gibbon" 99.3 % confidence

 During 1 hour of operation, is the probability that the (MCL) localization produces significant different pose on noised Lidar data smaller than 10⁻⁹?







"bus"

adversarial noise

"ostrich"

 During 1 hour of operation, is the probability that the latency of sending any message is within 10 ms smaller than 10⁻⁹?



Statistical Robustness

- It requires at least 10⁹ hours of operation or around 3.10¹⁰ miles
- It is absolutely impossible in practice even in simulation

This proposal provides:

- A framework for automatically estimating very small probabilities of how robust a software module is w.r.t uncertainty
- The estimation run-time is in the order of several hours
- The software module can be highly trained ML models, localization, or any software's timing properties