





Self organized train traffic

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Self-Organized Rail Traffic for the Evolution of Decentralized MOBILITY

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Railway as mobility backbone: intelligent trains self-organize to respond to perturbations and satisfy demand

Thorough assessment in simulation

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Real-time Traffic Management



Periodic re-routing and re-scheduling decisions

Aim: minimize train and passenger delay when dealing with small perturbations

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Intelligent trains replace the traditional centralized decision making system for conflict resolution

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Neighborhood identification



Each train identifies the trains it may have interactions with in the near future







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- A may interact with B and C
- B may interact with A and C
- C may interact with A, B and D
- D may interact with C

Interaction Graph



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Each train identifies alternative hypotheses for traffic management in its neighborhood



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Hypothesis Compatibility



Each train:

- shares hypotheses with neighbors
- identifies hypotheses compatible with its own























Hypothesis Compatibility











Hypothesis Selection



Each train seeks consensus with its neighbors

Trains implement a consensus algorithm:

- Each train selects an hypothesis
- Iteratively, trains change their selected hypothesis
 - if they are not compatible with their neighbor's one
 - trying to move to a "more compatible" one with high KPIs as evaluated by the train
- if all hypotheses in all neighborhoods are compatible, consensus is reached





Merge

When consensus is reached, each train has one hypothesis











Merge



- Hypotheses are merged into the currently implemented RTTP by the traffic control center
- If incompatibilities arise, the RTTP is repaired
- The result is the new RTTP
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Conclusions

- We formalized the self-organization process
- We designed a first version of each module
- We are finalizing the software implementation
- We are testing the modules on a first case study preliminary results suggest that:
 - consensus is reached quickly
 - It often converges to the best possible solution
 - the solution is of the same order of magnitude of the centralized optimum





Future works

In the next year we will

- identify critical module parts and improve them e.g., improve passenger consideration¹
- impact assessment in three case studies²
- produce recommendations

¹presentation at 14:38 - J. Victor Flensburg ²presentation at 13:30 - Fabrizio Cerreto

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