

# Enhancement Accuracy of the Spatial Map Matching Algorithm using Combine Test and Candidate Points in Mobile Application

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**Abstract:** GPS often has errors in determining the position, causing the path shown to deviate from the proper route. Can resolve the problems by using the map matching process. Map-matching is matching the GPS trajectory between the GPS trajectory and the actual trajectory. The algorithm proposed to solve this problem is called the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm. Map-matching is used to map each raw GPS trajectory onto the road network, which is always necessary and critical because GPS tracking data is inaccurate. The purpose of this paper is to enhancement the performance of the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm by selecting a number of candidate points and test points on the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm in order to find the best CMP value. The combination of test points and selected candidate points can yield an optimal path that does not deviate with a high degree of accuracy. As a result, the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm can be used to solve map-matching issues in GPS Smartphones.

## 1 INTRODUCTION


Smartphones are the most popular mobile devices today equipped with GPS. Global Positioning Systems (GPS) technology is using to obtain positioning data. The integration of GPS is part of the innovative advanced technology applied to improving mobility and safety, reduce environmental impacts, energy consumption, and enhance the overall quality of life of individuals. When integrating GPS measurements with a roadway network in GIS, these measurements (represented as data points) are usually projected to the nearest roadway centerline segment to determine the road on which events and incidents occur, point features are locating, or a vehicle is traveling (Blazquez et al., 2018).


The problem is often encountering when using GPS is the position error of the GPS sensor, which causes the point to be inaccurate. Besides that, other factors affect the accuracy of the map-matching algorithm, namely the complexity of the highway

network because ambiguous matching cases are more likely to occur (Hsueh et al., 2018). In overcoming the problem of position errors, you can use a technique called map-matching. Map-matching handles the problem of matching GPS trajectories with roads on a digital map and deduces the actual position for each sampling point to be supposed the Real route for the entire sampling path (Hu et al., 2017).

Some examples of well-known map-matching algorithms such as Interactive-Voting Based Map Matching (IVMM) or commonly called Spatial Map-Matching (Yuan et al., 2010), Hidden Markov Model (HMM) (Hsueh et al., 2018), Ant Colony-Based Map Matching (AntMapper) (Gong et al., 2018), and Fuzzy Logic (Yongqiang Zhang & Gao, 2008).

Using the map-matching technique can handle lower sampling rates and lower localization accuracy (Mohamed et al., 2017). The advantages, there are also challenges faced in map-matching, namely first, to save energy and communication costs. Second, due to sensor failure causes sampling data to be unusable due to some missing data. Third, road-intensive

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factors will also affect map-matching (Hsueh et al., 2018).

This map-matching algorithm has been applying to several location-based applications such as car navigation, direction finding, car direction estimation, automatic scheduling of public transportation systems, traffic analysis, and so on (Mohamed et al., 2017). Some studies that also apply map-matching algorithm, such as low sampling rate from GPS track (Hsueh et al., 2018), wheelchair navigation (Ren & Karimi, 2012), Track Based Applications (Gong et al., 2018), Bus Lane Identification (Raymond & Imamichi, 2016).

Another study using the IVMM Algorithm revealed that the weight of the distance is very influential, while the weight of the sampling point has an effect on the network topology of a road (Yuan et al., 2010) and only observes the percentage of the sampling rate.

The weakness of a previous study titled "An Interactive-Voting Based Map Matching Algorithm" (Yuan et al., 2010) is that it only refers to the sampling interval. In the previous paper, two algorithms, IVMM and ST-Matching, were compared. When the sampling interval is between 1.5 and 6.5 minutes, the IVMM accuracy is always around 70%, a 10% improvement over the ST-Matching algorithm (Yuan et al., 2010), while the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm has a maximum accuracy value of 100%. When processing data, this algorithm has the advantage of producing a higher matching accuracy value.

The purpose of this paper is to enhancement the performance of the Spatial Map-Matching algorithm by selecting number of candidate points and test points on the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm in order to find the best CMP value. The IVMM algorithm considers the GPS trajectory's spatial and temporal information and models the weighted reciprocal effect between GPS points. However, the IVMM algorithm process is complex, and the data must be matched repeatedly. Furthermore, the distance between the two sampling points of the matched track is too great. Using the Spatial-Map Matching algorithm, the distance between the two sampling points of the track is not too great, it only requires a distance of 50m between the two sampling points. This algorithm measures the relationship between successive candidate points in a map match using the spatial analysis function and the ST-function.

## 2 RELATED WORK

This section is a description of several Map-Matching Algorithms that have developed. Reviewing the description, methodology, and final results of the algorithm used.

### 2.1 IVMM

Algorithm IVMM is an algorithm that is by far the only approach aimed at GPS data with low sample rates in terms of match quality.

The IVMM process works, namely the first candidates preparation, the second position context analysis, the third mutual influence modeling, divided to 2 namely Static Score Matrix Building and Weight Influence Modeling and Interactive Voting (Yuan et al., 2010). The results obtained are four results. The first result is virtualization. For the second result, namely the results of the CMP calculation. Third, the Running Time of the IVMM Algorithm is very high speed for data with low sampling rates and high sampling rates (Yuan et al., 2010).

### 2.2 Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

The HMM model is a statistical model that has the challenge of determining the hidden parameters (state) of the observable parameters (observer). Map-Matching algorithm that uses HMM modeling is called STD-Matching. In the STD-Matching process, there are three processes, namely Extraction of Candidate Set Extractions, STD Analysis, and Matched Answer Computation (Hsueh et al., 2018). STD Analysis, three pieces of information would be considered, namely spatial, temporal and directional information. The advantage of the STD-Matching Algorithm is that it produces superior matching accuracy values in high sampling and low sampling rates (Hsueh et al., 2018).

### 2.3 Ant Colony-based Map Matching (AntMapper)

The process of AntMapper consists of 3 processes, firstly applying transition rules. The second is to update pheromones, which are, carried out globally and locally. The third is the termination process, by starting a new round of path construction repeatedly until the termination rules are met (Gong et al., 2018).

The AntMapper Algorithm has the advantage that it can find the underlying structure of the problem space (Gong et al., 2018). But, have a limitation that it cannot provide strong enough evidence to prove

that it has strong capabilities in various application fields such as global optimization capabilities.

The results are using the AntMapper Algorithm can be seen from two sides, namely Synthetic Instances, and Real-Life Instances.

### 2.4 Fuzzy Logic

The technique used in this map-matching algorithm is called Fuzzy Logic, where this technique is usually used to solve very complicated systems and is the correct technique in mapping an input space to an output space. There are three steps to process this technique, the first, to perform input and output fuzzification, the second, to build the rule base, and the last is to defuzzify the output (Yongqiang Zhang & Gao, 2008). By using Fuzzy Logic, it can have much higher precision.

## 3 METHODOLOGY

The methodology used in the Spatial Map Match Algorithm is described in this section. It is divided into three stages: data retrieval, pre-processing, and use of the Spatial Map Matching Algorithm. Figure 1 shows the methodology's flowchart.

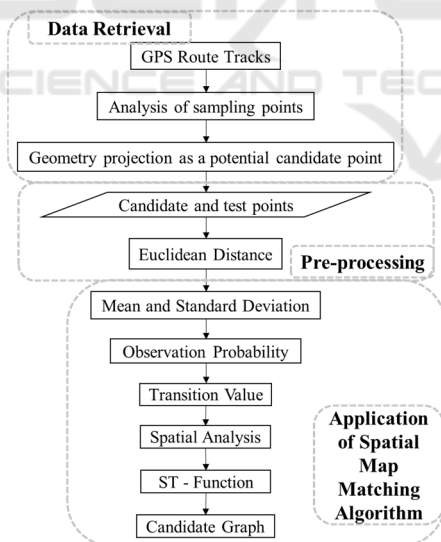


Figure 1: Methodology's Flowchart.

### 3.1 Data Retrieval

Before taking data, it is better to digitize the route first. Determine which road to take, then determine specific points on the right or left side of the road. Data retrieval already completed using a GPS

Smartphone. Figure 2 is an example of Digitizing Routes.

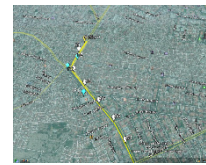


Figure 2: Route Digitization.

### 3.2 Pre-processing

Pre-processing is the initial process in calculating the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm, which is to prepare the data that already used for further calculations. The data need to be prepare, the candidate points search and euclidean distance.

Candidate points is available from digitizing the previous route. This point is a point that shows the actual path of the road. Unlike the test points, it is a point that deviates from the road route. There are three processes in the search for candidate points, namely the first to find the road trajectory on the GPS. Second, analyze the sampling point. Third, perform Geometry projections as candidate points. Figure 3 is a description of the search for candidate points.

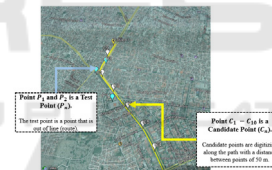


Figure 3: Candidate Point Search.

Euclidean distance method is a method of finding the proximity of the distance of 2 variables. In this case, the two variables are the distance between the test and candidate points, which is then converted to one degree of the earth. By employing Equation (1):

$$\sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2} \times 111,319 \quad (1)$$

where  $x_i, x_j$  is  $x$ -coordinate,  $y_i, y_j$  is  $y$ -coordinate and 111,319 is 1 degree of the earth.

### 3.3 Application of Spatial Map Matching Algorithm

The following step is implementation. Where the collected data is processed for the next calculation. In this process, the main step of the Spatial Map-

Matching Algorithm has begun. The Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm is implemented in three steps: the first is calculating the observation probability and transition value, the second is calculating the spatial and ST-function analysis, and the third is creating a candidate graph.

The observation probability and transition value are calculated first. Observation probability has been using to determine the level of matching between test points and candidate points. If the candidate points is far from the test points, then the probability level of matching the test points with the candidate points is lower. Otherwise, the matching rate may be higher. Calculating the observation probability data requires euclidean distance, mean and standard deviation. In equation (2), the following calculation is used to find the mean:

$$Mean = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} \quad (2)$$

where  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i$  is total of all data values and  $n$  is amount of data

In terms of calculating the standard deviation using equation (3):

$$Standard\ Deviation = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{n - 1}} \quad (3)$$

where  $x_i$  is value of  $x$  to  $i$ ,  $\mu$  is mean and  $n$  is amount of data

So, to calculating the observation probability, use equation (4):

$$N(c_i^j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_i^j - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad (4)$$

where  $x_i^j$  is the euclid distance from candidate  $c_i^j$  to sampling point  $p_i$ .

The test points can be fixed using the transition value calculation. The primary use of the transition value is used for calculations between the distance of the previous closest candidate point to the next candidate points and based on test points that are close to each other. The calculate is by equation (5):

$$V(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) = \frac{d_{i-1 \rightarrow i}}{w_{(i-1,t) \rightarrow (i,s)}} \quad (5)$$

where  $d_{i-1 \rightarrow i}$  is the euclid distance from sampling point  $i - 1$  to sampling point  $i$ , and  $w_{(i-1,t) \rightarrow (i,s)}$  is the length of the shortest path from candidate  $c_{i-1}^t$  to  $c_i^s$ .

The Spatial analysis and ST-function are the next steps. The spatial analysis function serves as the analysis of the similarity between the shortest path in

both point adjacent candidate and candidate paths. The equation spatial analysis function is the product of the results of the observation probability and the transition value, such as equation (6):

$$F_s(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) = N(c_i^j) * V(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) \quad (6)$$

where  $N(c_i^j)$  is observation probability and  $V(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s)$  is transition value.

ST-function aims to get the best answer suitable for the GPS track. Later the path that matches the highest overall score is considered the most suitable answer. The equation, it's a combination of all the results of the previous calculations by multiplying all of them, as in equation (7):

$$F(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) = N(c_i^j) * V(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) * F_s(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s) \quad (7)$$

where  $N(c_i^j)$  is observation probability,  $V(c_{i-1}^t \rightarrow c_i^s)$  is transition value and  $F_s$  is the *spatial analysis function*.

The third step is to creating a candidate graph. Where this candidate graph is employed to aid in the matching process. This candidate points is available from digitizing the previous route. This point is a point that shows the actual path of the road. Unlike the test points, it is a point that deviates from the road route. There are three processes in the search for candidate points, namely the first to find the road trajectory on the GPS. Second, analyze the sampling point. Third, perform geometry projections as candidate points. Candidate graph is shown as in Figure 4.

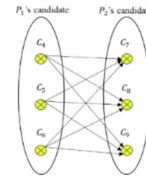


Figure 4: Candidate Graph.

## 4 EXPERIMENT & RESULT

This section is an experiment to evaluate the proposed algorithm, namely Spatial Map-Matching. From the test results will be able to find out the advantages or disadvantages of this algorithm. From the results can perform analysis through Correct Matching Percentage (CMP) and Graphs.

Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm Testing is divided into three scenarios. The first scenario employs two test points, the second employs three,

and the third employs four. Six candidate points are combined on the three scenarios.

### 4.1 Combining Test and Candidate Points for Testing

The first step before testing is called data collection, and it determines the points to be tested and selected the coordinates to be used. In addition, the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm implementation is carried out. The results are displayed in a candidate graph and the percentage of accuracy is calculated (CMP value).

The first test scenario combines two test points ( $P_1$  dan  $P_2$ ) and six candidate points ( $C_4 - C_9$ ). Figure 5 shows that the two-test points appear to deviate from the correct path. The candidate point is located on the correct path. The most optimal path is found at candidate points  $C_5$  and  $C_7$  as a result of the first scenario.

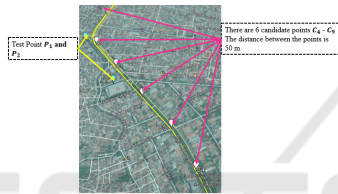


Figure 5: Scenario I.

In the second test scenario, three test points ( $P_1, P_2$  dan  $P_3$ ) and six candidate points ( $C_4 - C_9$ ) are combined. The three-test points appear to deviate from the correct path, as shown in Figure 6. The candidate points is on the correct path. As a result of the second scenario, the most optimal path is found at candidate points  $C_5, C_6,$  and  $C_9$ .

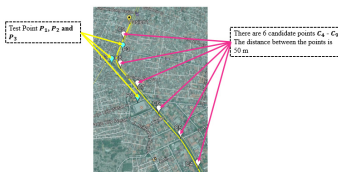


Figure 6: Scenario II.

The third test scenario integrates four test points ( $P_1, P_2, P_3$  dan  $P_4$ ) and six candidate points ( $C_4 - C_9$ ). The four- test points appear to deviate from the correct path, as shown in Figure 7. The candidate points is on the correct path. As a result of the third scenario, the most optimal path is found at candidate points  $C_4, C_5, C_7,$  and  $C_9$ .

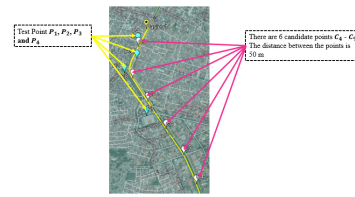


Figure 7: Scenario III.

After the scenario parameters are determined then the calculation of system performance using Calculation Correct Matching Percentage (CMP). The CMP is used by the Spatial Map-Matching Algorithm to determine the accuracy of the algorithm and to evaluate the quality of the match, such as equation (8):

$$CMP = \frac{\text{Correct Matched Points}}{\text{Total Points}} \times 100\% \quad (8)$$

### 4.2 Testing Graph

In the test scenario, the Mean and Standard Deviation are 0.32 and 0.2; 5 and 10; 50 and 10 are then calculated. The first step is to calculate the euclidean distance between the test and candidate points using the formula in equation 1, then calculate the mean using the data from the euclidean distance calculation, using the formula in equation 2. For the calculation formula in equation 3, the mean results will be used to calculate the standard deviation. Using the formula in equation 4, these three data, namely euclidean distance, mean, and standard deviation, will be used to calculate the probability of observation. The transition value is then calculated using the formula in equation 5. To calculate Spatial Analysis, the results of the two data sets will be multiplied as in equation 6. After obtaining the three data points, use the formula in equation 7 to compute the ST-function. After all calculations have been completed, create a candidate graph, as shown in Figure 3, to aid in the matching process. The number of correct candidate points, as well as the candidate points that represent the most optimal path, will be determined by the results of the candidate graph. Following that, a CMP calculation will be performed to determine the level of accuracy, which will be determined by dividing the number of correct candidate points by the number of points to be matched, as shown in equation 8. A graph is created to compare the test results when different combinations of mean and standard deviation are used. as shown in Figures 8, Figures 9, and Figures 10.

Figure 8 depicts the graphical results of the first scenario. The highest CMP scores are found in 2

candidate points, with a perfect score of 100 percent, and for the use of other candidate points, they are around 75%, 50%, 40%, and 30%, respectively.

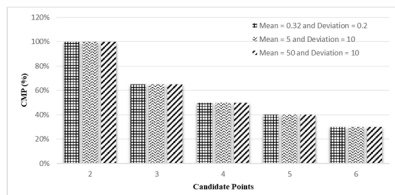


Figure 8: Scenario Graph I.

Figure 9 depicts the graphical results of the second scenario. The highest CMP value is found in two candidate points that both have a perfect score of 100 percent. There is only one chart, namely at 6 candidate points, where the CMP value is correct at 50%, while the others are above 50%, namely 60% and 75%.

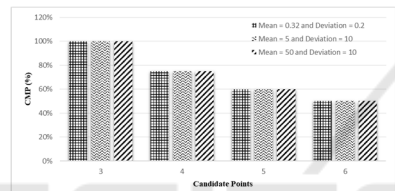


Figure 9: Scenario Graph II.

Figure 10 depicts the graphical outcome of the third scenario. With a perfect score of 100 percent, the highest CMP score is 4 candidate points. And in all 3 scenarios, the CMP value is greater than 50%, with the lowest CMP value being 70%.

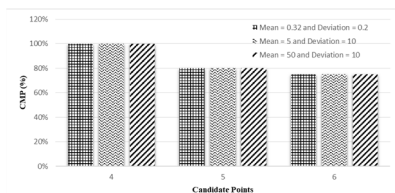


Figure 10: Scenario Graph III.

Can saw from the results in the form of graphs, in Figure 7 it's that by using two candidate points, the percent accuracy value increases very significantly so that it achieves a perfect score while using 3 to 6 candidate points. The percentage of accuracy value decreases along with the increasing number of candidate points used. Figure 8 also experienced similar things the increased the number of candidate points has been using, the smaller the value of accuracy.

In addition, the test points used also affect the candidate points as shown in the graph, when, using 2 test points, the maximum number of candidate points used can be up to 6 candidate points, while 3 test points can only use a maximum of 5 candidate points. And so also when using 4 test points can only four candidate points. The more test points, the lower the maximum number of candidate points that can use. The number of test points and candidate points affects the computational performance of the algorithm.

## 5 CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we can solve the problem of matching maps on GPS Smartphones to improve route accuracy by selecting a number of candidate points and test points. The test point data is obtained from real-time GPS data from the smartphone, which is then processed. The calculation of the mean and standard deviation has no effect on the level of route accuracy, which is influenced by the number of candidate points and test points. When only two candidate points are selected, the results obtained by using the mean and standard deviation of the calculations, namely 0.32 and 0.2; 5 and 10; 50 and 10 have the same level of accuracy, namely 100%. The level of accuracy will be lower if a larger number of candidate points are chosen with the same combination of mean and standard deviation. According to the test results, the accuracy obtained by selecting the most candidate points, namely 6 candidate points, is very low, ranging from 50% to less than 50%. If more test points and candidate points are chosen from the three scenarios, the accuracy level will be lower and it will be more difficult to find the most optimum path due to the low level of accuracy obtained.

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