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Labeling of Autonomous Driving Vehicles

(Phase 1)



Why? - Reason for the Study

- Autonomous driving vehicles and human road users will share roads → autonomous driving vehicle can not communicate like human → problematic situations leading to confusion will occur
- Possible Solution: labeling of autonomous driving vehicles
- Phase 1: discovering useful positions for labeling
- Procedure
 1. Trial:
Participants are asked to look at different pictures (showing vehicles in different situations / perspectives)
→ eye tracking system is used to record their eye movement
 2. Questionnaire:
Participants are asked to mark where they would expect a label for an autonomous vehicle
 3. Evaluation of eye movement:
Analysis of the eye tracking data

How? - Content of the Study

Preparation

- Analysis of the problem
- Development of a test procedure
- Creation and selection of pictures
- Examination of the test procedure with a pretest
- Recruitment of trial participants

Trial

- 106 participants
- 6 test days
- 9-77 years old
- 24 % female
- Participants look at 5 picture types (vehicles in different perspectives / traffic situations)
- Eye tracking system records eye movement
- 2 kinds of test:
 - 1) WHERE do participants look at vehicles if they have no additional information
 - 2) WHERE do participants look at vehicles when they are falsely told that the vehicles shown are autonomous AND already labeled (in the test just a few vehicles are labeled)
- Questionnaire: Participants mark where they would expect a label for an autonomous driving vehicle

Evaluation

- Preparation of the eye tracking data
- Defining Method of Evaluation by areas of interest, hit ratio, entry time and dwell time
- Evaluation of each picture and the questionnaire
- Summary and visualization of the results
- Video documentation („making of“ and Tesla simulation)

What? - Outcome of the Study

Favourable positions for labeling



Conclusions - Summary of the Study

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- **Suitable positions for labeling autonomous vehicles were found**

Partners

Study performed

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endeavouring to

- creating more awareness and understanding of the safety, comfort and environmental aspects of good quality automotive lighting amongst stakeholders at both public authorities and vehicle manufacturers
- sharing findings as common positions



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Investigation to identify the ideal position to label autonomous driving vehicles at the UAS Gießen

Procedure and presentation of results





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What did we do?

- Examined and interviewed **106 participants** on six test days
- 9 to 77 years old
- 24 % female
- Used eye Tracking System
→ Showed in sum 34 pictures of 5 categories
- Display time per picture → 4 or 5 seconds
- After Eye Tracking test
→ Questionnaire detailing: **Where** would participants expect a labelling



What did we try to figure out?

- Are there differences in how people look at distinctive vehicle models or vehicle categories?
- Does the vehicle color, lighting condition or perspective influence the eye movement?
- Are there differences if the vehicle is photographed stationary or if it's involved in traffic situations?
- Does an falsely told information (that shown vehicles are already labelled; in real they are not) influence the eye movement?

Eye Tracking Investigation

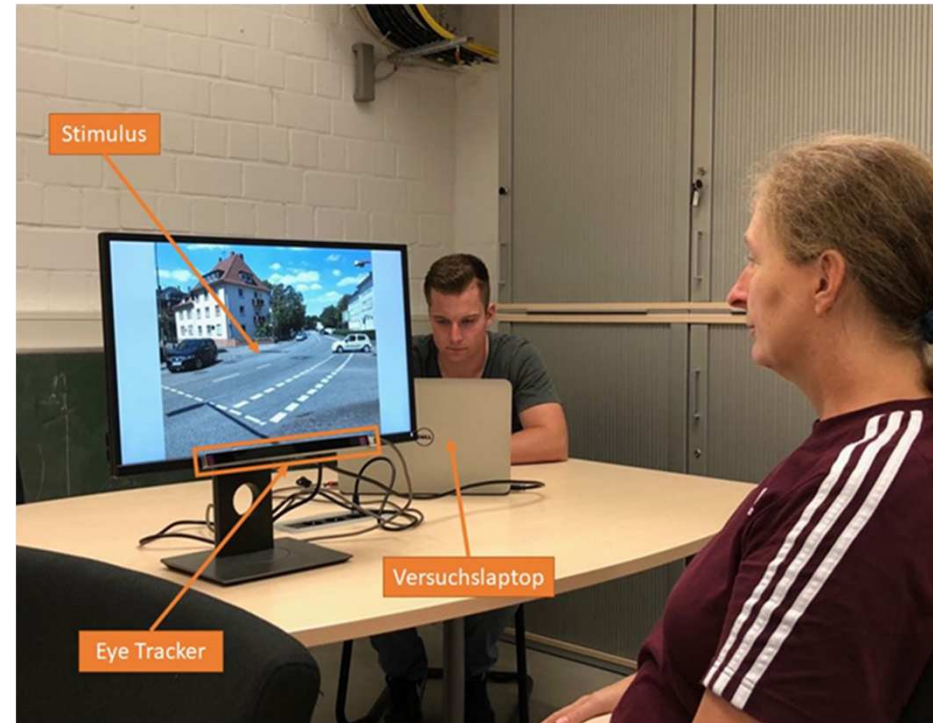
- Separated into two parts

Control Test:

WHERE do participants look at vehicles if they have no additional information?

Fake Test:

WHERE do people look at vehicles when they are falsely told that the shown vehicles are autonomous AND already labeled?



→ Target: Find intuitive positions for a labeling!



What did the participants see?

Vielen Dank, dass Sie an diesem Versuch teilnehmen.



Im folgenden werden Ihnen einige Bilder präsentiert.

Picture type 1

- 3 kinds of vehicles
→ SUVs and limousines
- Only Black vehicles in different perspectives
→ front view, rear view, side view
- Vehicles fill out the picture area to a maximum
- Neutral background





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Picture type 1



Picture type 2

- 4 kinds of vehicles
 - Coupés, limousines, small cars, cabriolets
- Variation of parameters:
 - different perspectives
 - different colors
 - different background
 - Vehicles do not fill out the picture area to a maximum anymore





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Picture type 2



Picture type 3

- Vehicles in different traffic situations
- Vehicles are not labelled
- Pictures are taken in the daytime





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Picture type 3



Picture type 4

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Picture type 4





Picture type 5

- Interim pictures

→ used to keep the participants interested

→ to analyse how people perceive pictures in general





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Picture type 5





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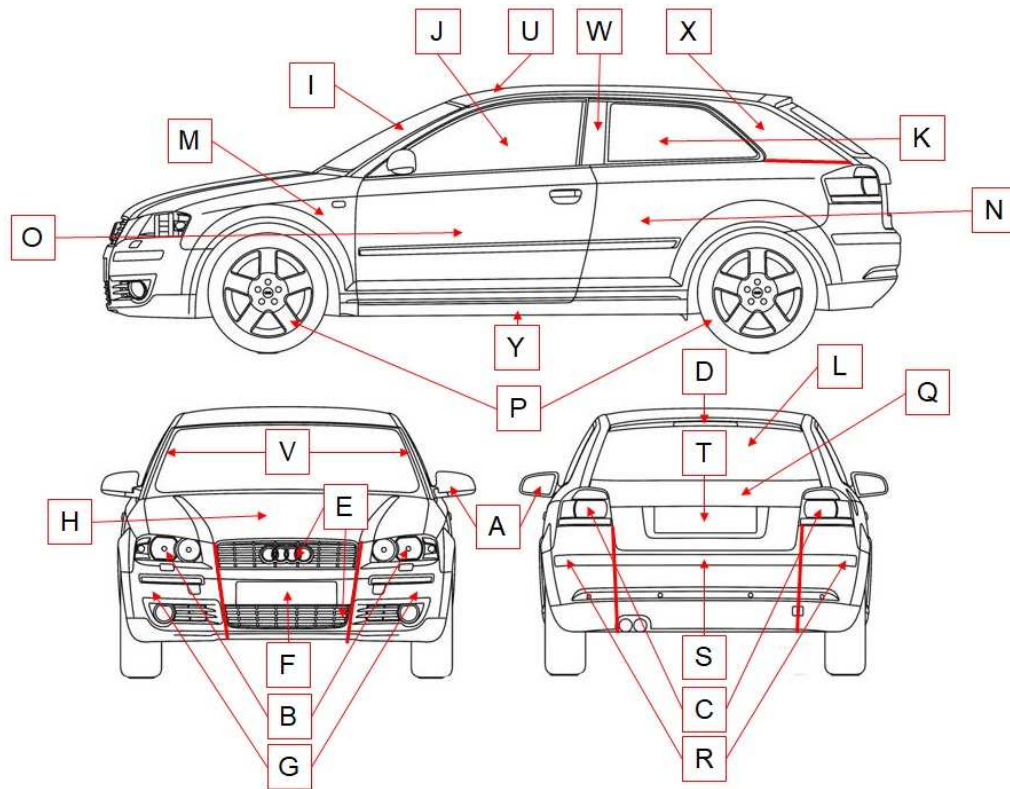
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Why we don't show all participants



Evaluation: Questionnaire

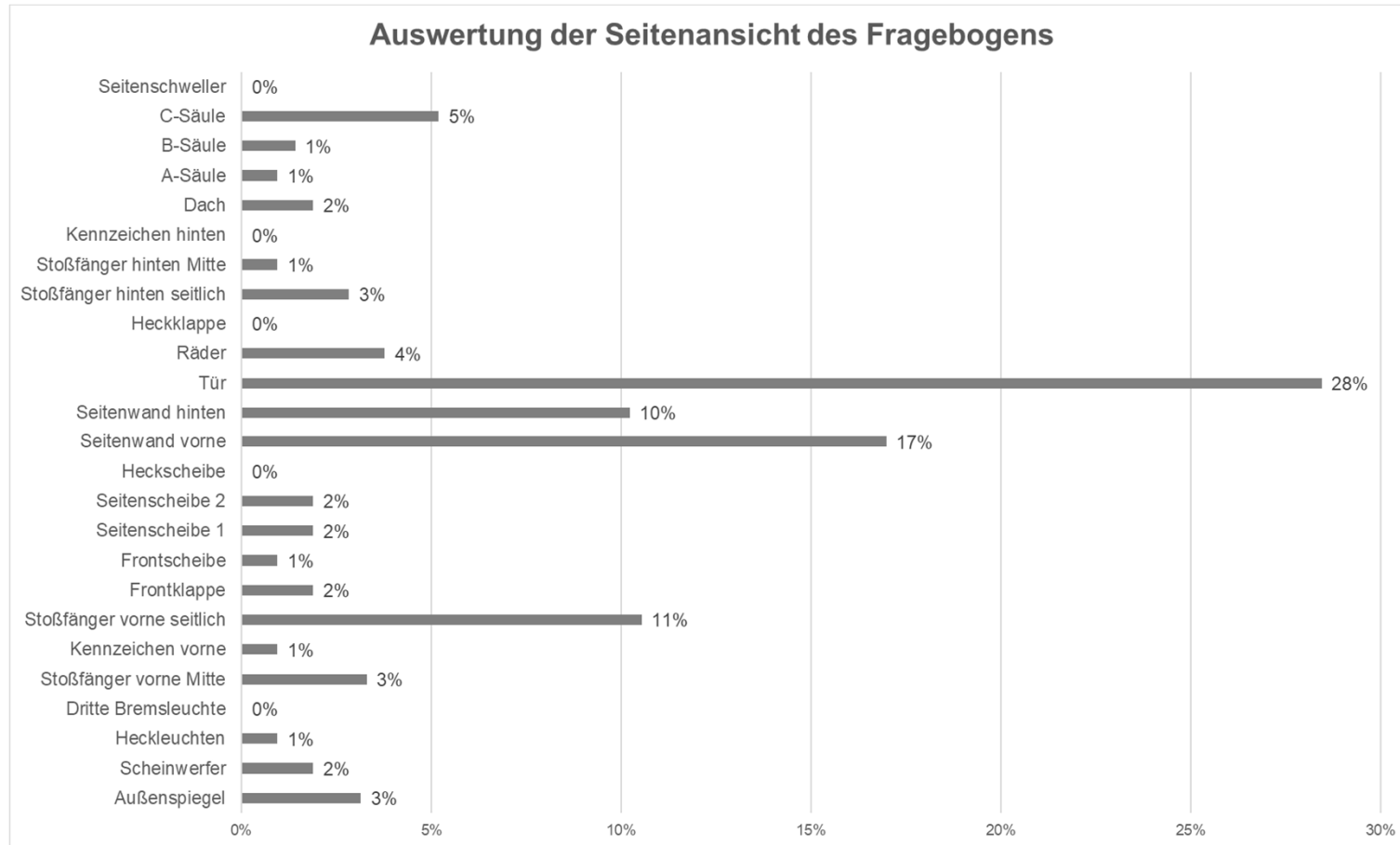
Question: Where would you expect a label for an autonomous vehicle?



Code	Category (English)	Kategorie (Deutsch)
A	Outside mirror	Außenspiegel
B	Headlights	Scheinwerfer
C	Tail lights	Heckleuchten
D	Third brake light	Dritte Bremsleuchte
E	Front Bumper central	Stoßfänger vorne Mitte
F	Front Licence number	Kennzeichen vorne
G	Front bumper lateral	Stoßfänger vorne seitlich
H	Bonnet	Frontklappe
I	Glass windshield	Frontscheibe
J	Side window 1	Seitenscheibe 1
K	Side window 2	Seitenscheibe 2
L	Rear window	Heckscheibe
M	Front side wall	Seitenwand vorne
N	Rear side wall	Seitenwand hinten
O	Door	Tür
P	Wheels	Räder
Q	Tail gate	Heckklappe
R	Rear bumper lateral	Stoßfänger hinten seitlich
S	Rear bumper central	Stoßfänger hinten mitte
T	Rear Licence number	Kennzeichen hinten
U	Roof	Dach
V	A-pillar	A-Säule
W	B-pillar	B-Säule
X	C-pillar	C-Säule
Y	Side skirt	Seitenschweller

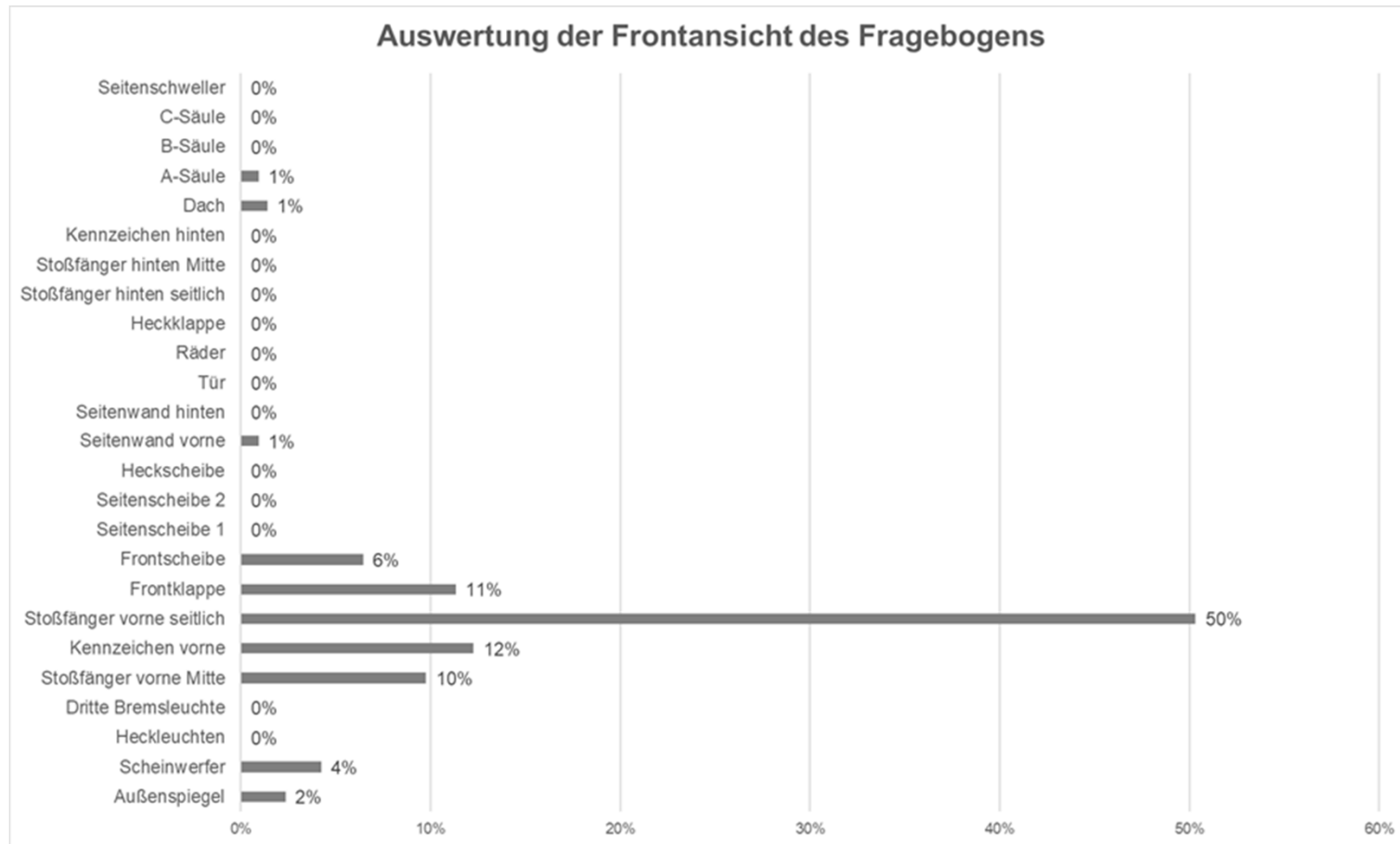


Evaluation of questionnaire: Side view

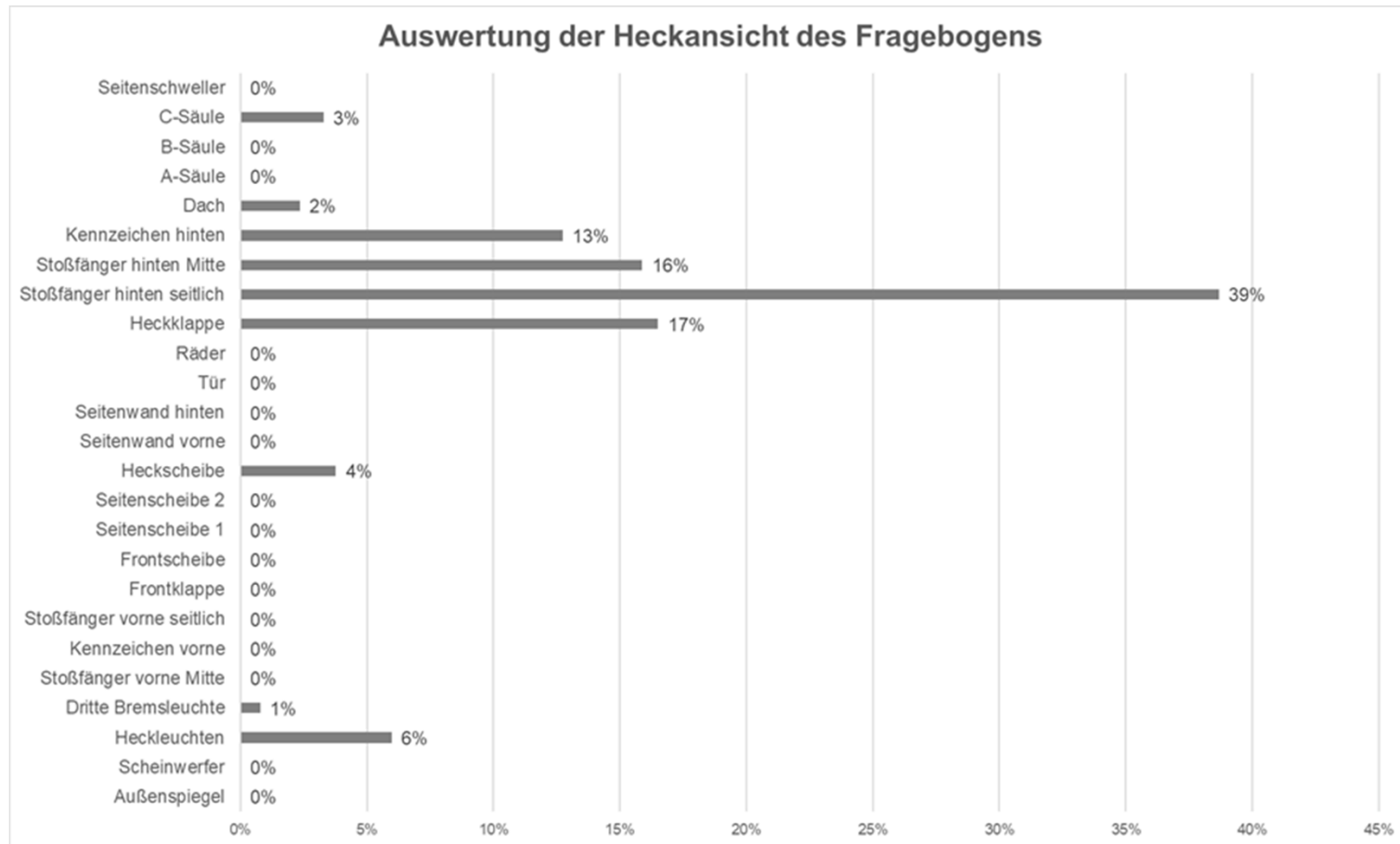




Evaluation of questionnaire: Front view



Evaluation of questionnaire: Rear view



Procedure for evaluation of eye movements

- Focus map: Shows the important areas for the participants
- AOIs: Created from the focus map for better visualization



Focus Map

AOIs

How does the Focus Map work?



How does the Focus Map work?



Evaluation of eye movements: Procedure

- Key figures of the Areas of Interest (AOIs) were evaluated:

→ **Hit ratio:** Percentage of participants which focus on respective AOI
(How many participants do even notice the AOIs)

→ **Entry time:** Average time to focus on the respective AOI
(How much time need the participants to focus the AOIs)

→ **Dwell time:** Average focus-time on respective AOI
(How long do the participants stay on the AOIs)

Categorization of the angled front view

- Examined AOI:
 - inside mirror
 - windshield
 - outside mirror left and right
 - bonnet
 - headlight left and right
 - front bumper central
 - badge
 - front wheel
 - front license plate





Categorization of the side view

- Examined AOI:
 - headlight
 - front side wall
 - outside mirror
 - door 1 and door 2
 - side window 1 and side window 2
 - front wheel
 - rear wheel
 - tail light



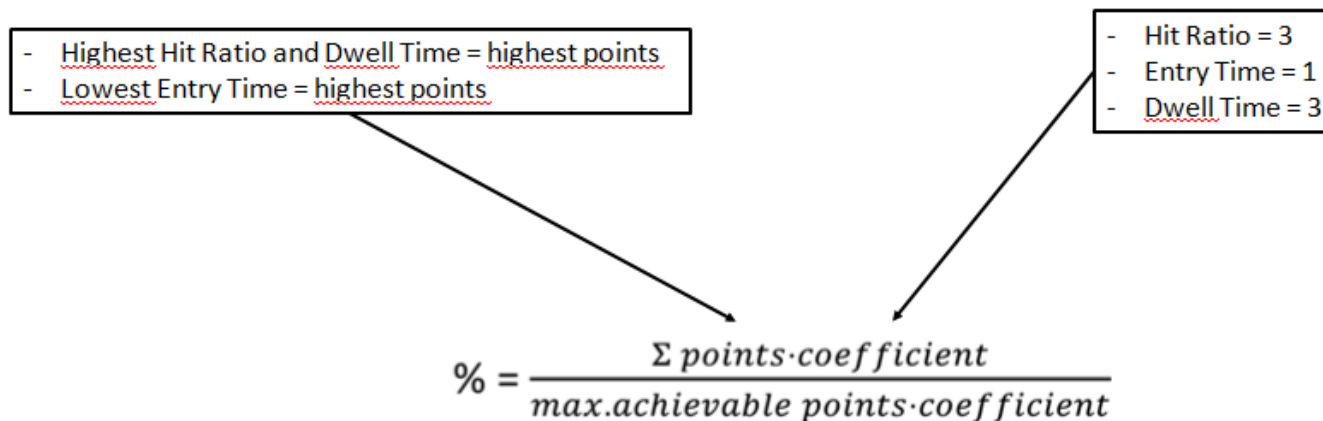
Categorization of the angled rear view

- Examined AOI:
 - antenna
 - rear window
 - tailgate
 - badge
 - rear license plate
 - tail light left and right
 - rear wheel
 - right outside mirror



Evaluation of Control Test AND Fake test

- Evaluation for all picture types separated into: Front, side and rear view
- Formula to calculate the reached points for every AOI (bumper, headlights,...) of the different views

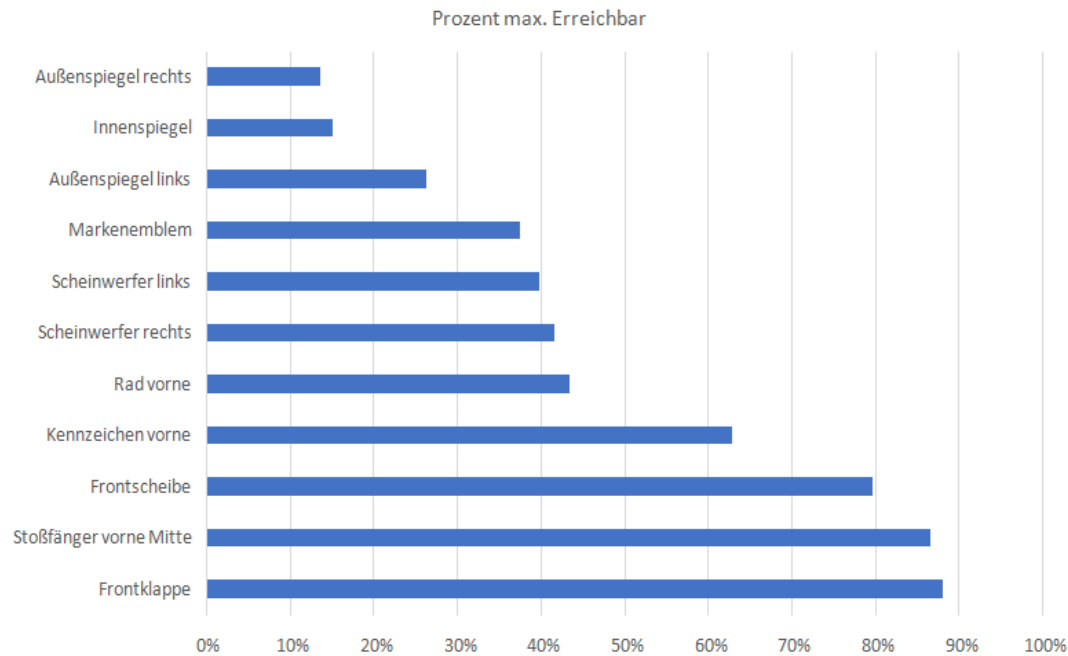


- The results of the control test and fake test are almost the same
 - Only the dwell time is affected of the falsely told information
 - For a better overview all results are put together in the following diagrams



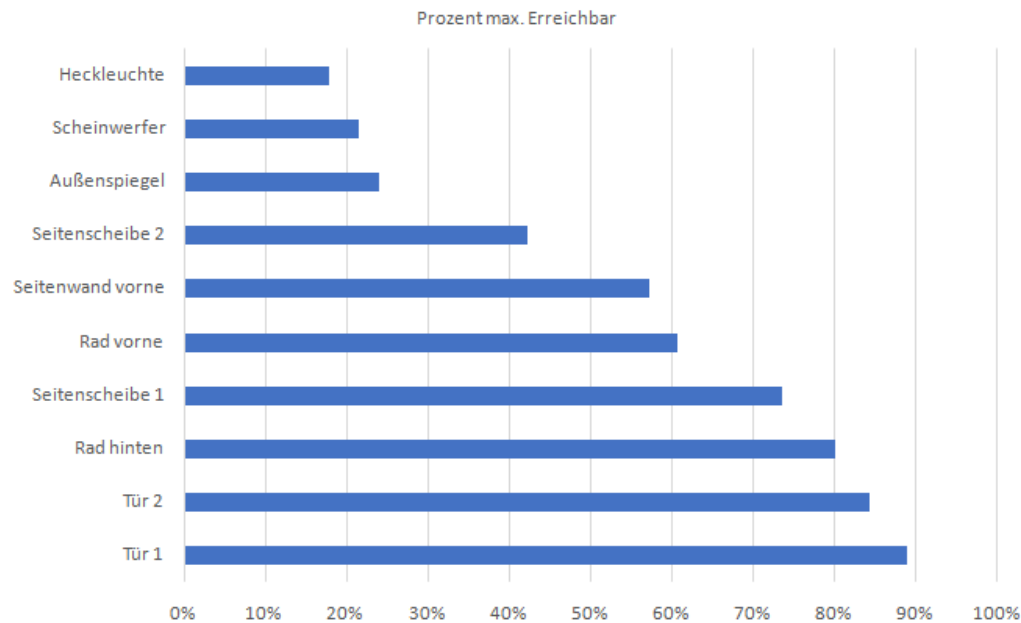
Evaluation of Control Test AND Fake test: Front view

- Best results:
 - Bonnet
 - Front Bumper central
 - Glass windshield



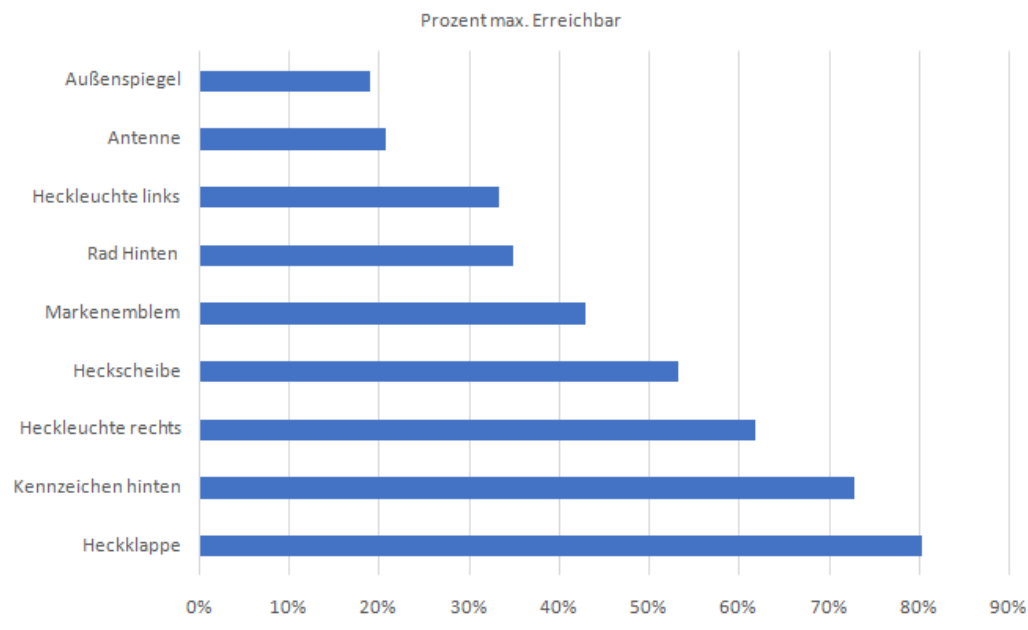
Evaluation of Control Test AND Fake test: Side view

- Best results:
 - Door 1
 - Door 2
 - Rear Wheel



Evaluation of Control Test AND Fake test: Rear view

- Best results:
 - Tail gate
 - Rear licence number
 - Tail light (right)





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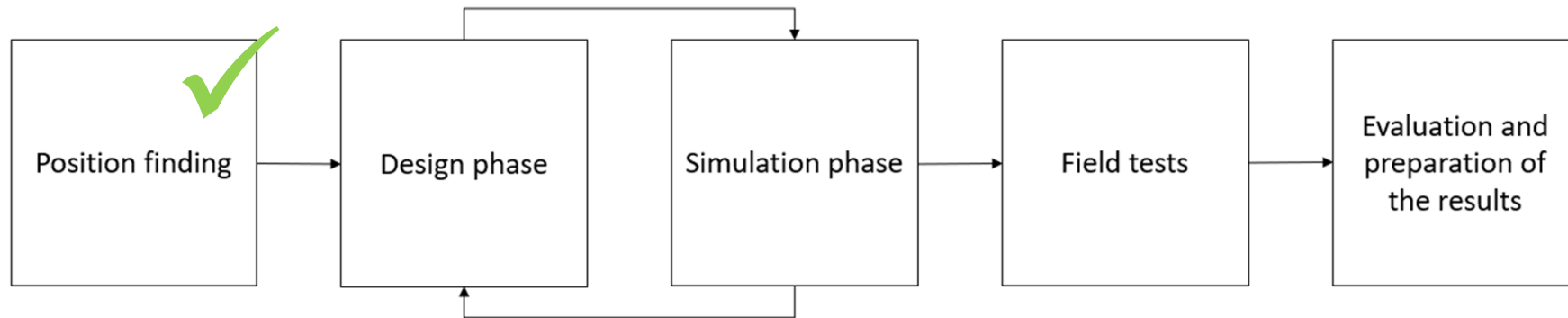


Favourable positions for a labelling

View	position / category	comment
side view	front door	very good key figures; partially high entry time; winner questionnaire
	side window	very good key figures; partially high entry time
	front fender	good key figures; low entry time
	lateral front bumper	if needed; good key figures in picture category 3
front view	lateral front bumper	if needed; winner questionnaire
	windshield	very good key figures; partially high entry time
	bonnet	very good key figures; partially high entry time
	center front bumper	verification needed; good key figures
	headlights	if needed; low entry time
rear view	tailgate	very good key figures
	tail lights	good key figures; low entry time
	lateral rear bumper	if needed; winner questionnaire
	rear window	if needed; good key figures



What's next?



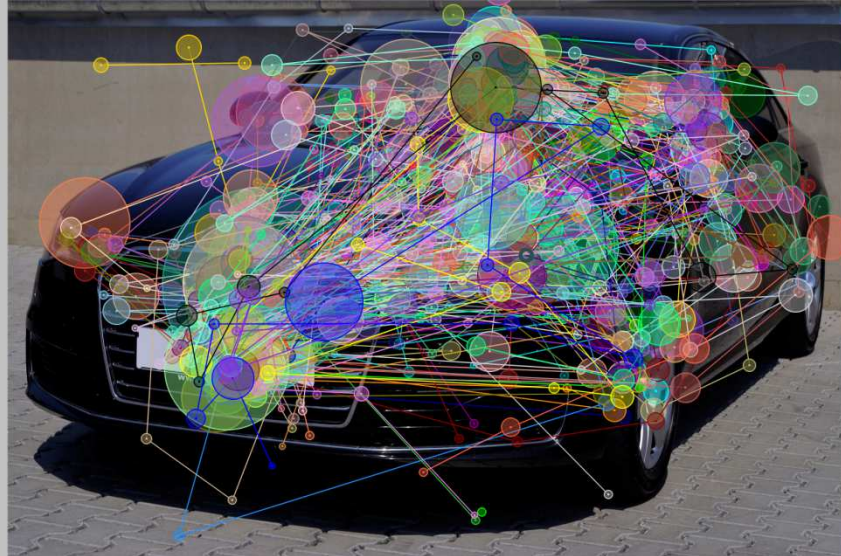


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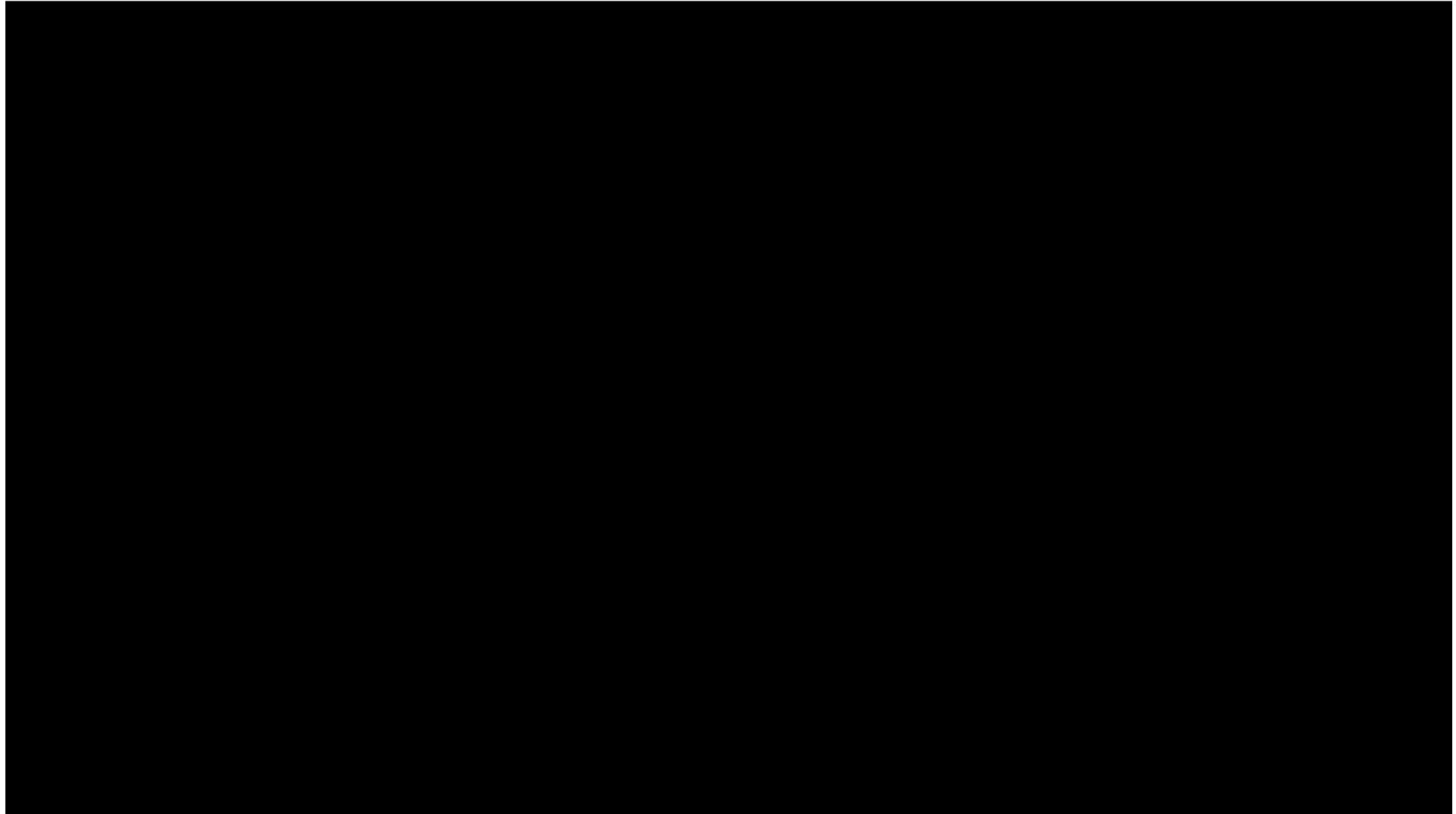
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