DETAILED HARVESTER DATA FOR IMPROVED FOREST OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT

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- Segmenting logging sites into homogenous sub-areas based on the dominant height.





Detailed production data

- Reported by all modern CTL harvester (StanForD).
 - Hpr-files
- Can be utilized in order to improve
 - forest management and operations,
 - feedback to operators and forest owners





New fields of application

- Two examples:
 - Pre-harvest assessment (yield prognosis)
 - Monitoring of harvester operator quality



Pre-harvest assessment

- Objectives
 - Logging
 - Transportation
 - Industrial production
- Assessment based on:
 - Harvester data
 - National ALS / traditional forest inventory data
 - Imputation







Database with detailed harvesting data

Planned harvesting site





- Manual inventory
- National ALS or manual inventory

	Pine	Spruce	Basal area	Height	DBH	Pine saw logs	Pine Pulp wood	Spruce saw logs	Spruce Pulp wood
Harvesting site	4	88	33,0	23,4	30,6	?	?	?	?

Imputation

88%

4%

33,0

Planned





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Results, total saw log volume

- Right now testing imputation on large no of harvested sites
 - E.g. 1000 sites in northern region





Monitoring of harvester operator quality

- Harvester control system tries maximize the stem value.
- Operator can override the optimization, e.g. due to stem defects or quality breaks.
- Registered if a log was cut based on:
 - optimization
 - manual decision by operator.













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Number of logs (%)





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Operator (Mean stem volume (m3sub)	Mean length saw logs (cm)	Relative volume of saw logs (%)	Manual cuts (% of saw logs)
Α	0.281	441	56.1	60.2
В	0.292	476	68.8	0.3

- Monitor the operators!
- Train operators correctly!
- Give the operators the right incentives!



Summary!

- Detailed production data (StanForD hpr-file):
 - Maximum flexibility since we report what is measured.
 - Only time that we measure each individual stem and log.
- Several new tools are under implementation
- Important factors to be considered:
 - Measuring system controlled & calibrated
 - Operator skills
 - Machine softwares updated
 - Communication solutions