

Is OSM Good Enough for Vehicle Routing? A Study Comparing Street Networks in Vienna

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Outline

- Introduction to OSM and GIP street models
- Basic quality indicators
- Vehicle routing quality indicators
- Routing comparison
- Conclusion





Motivation

- Street network quality is essential for a wide range of applications
- OSM is global and open

BUT concerns about the quality for applications in the mobility context

Introduction to OSM & GIP street models



OSM

www.openstreetmap.org

Open user-generated world map

- Everybody can edit
- Everybody can use



GIP

www.gip.gv.at

Official Austrian reference graph

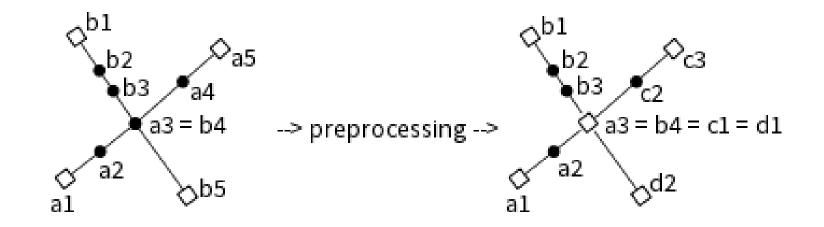
- From official authorities
- Limited access





OSM street graph preprocessing

... making OSM routable





Street network modeling – classification

... matching OSM highway tag and GIP FRC

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OSM highway	motorway	Α									
	trunk		В	В							
	primary		В	В							
	secondary				С	С					
	tertiary				С	С					
	unclassified						D	D	D		
	living_street						D	D	D		
	service						D	D	D		
	residential						D	D	D	D	
	track										E

GIP FRC



Street network modeling – driving permissions

OSM

- Default driving permissions for street classes
 - + specific restrictions
 - + oneway attribute

eg. vehicle=no & bicycle=yes → no driving access except for bicycles

GIP

 Binary-coded driving permissions for each mode of transport and driving direction





Street network modeling – turn restrictions

OSM

- By default, every possible turn is allowed
 - + explicit restrictions and
 - commands

GIP

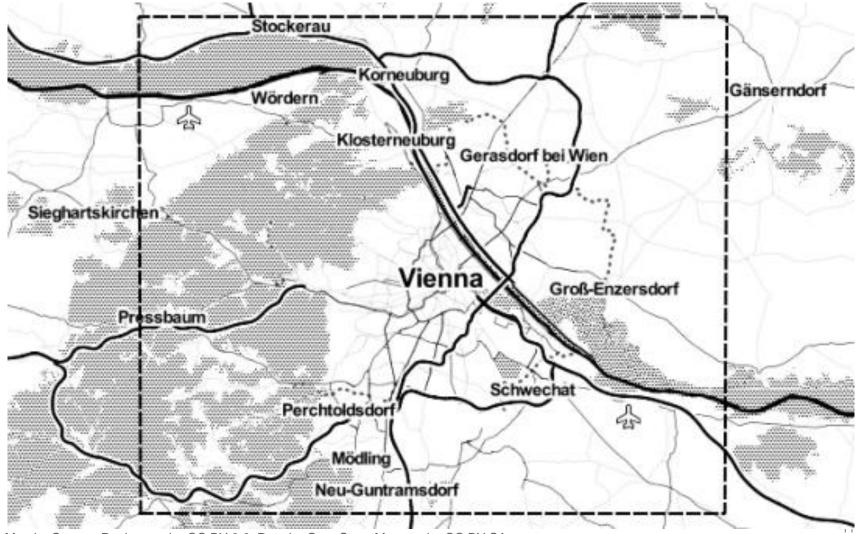
- Explicitly modeled turn relations
 - \rightarrow every other turn is forbidden



Basic quality indicators



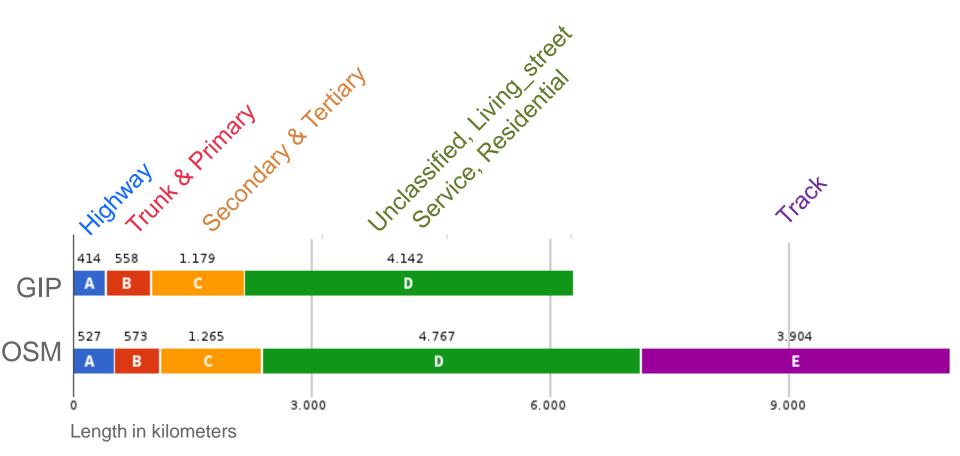
Study area



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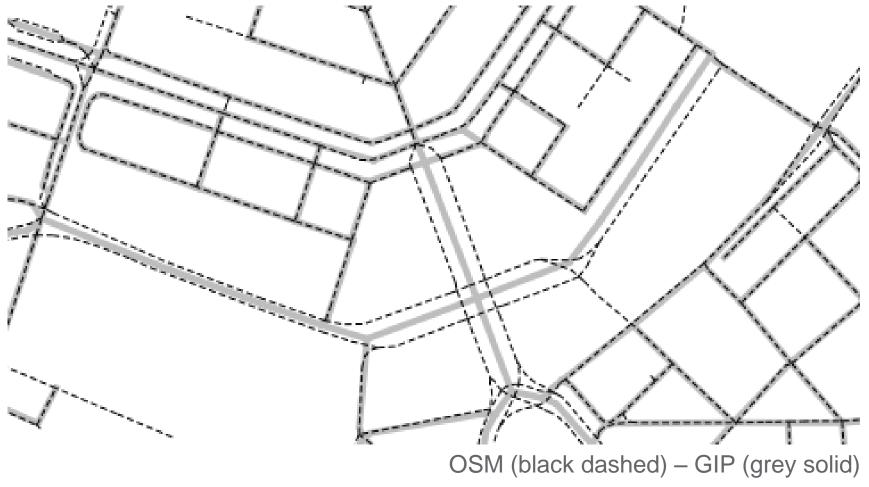


Basic indicators I: network length





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Basic indicators II: attribute completeness

	Name	9	Spe	eed
	OSM	GIP	OSM	GIP
Total network	5,540 km	5,936 km	3,079 km	6,294 km
(without tracks)	(78 %)	(94 %)	(43 %)	(100 %)
Class A	359 km	402 km	395 km	414 km
	(68 %)	(97%)	(75 %)	(100 %)
Class B	429 km	555 km	452 km	558 km
	(75 %)	(100 %)	(79 %)	(100 %)
Class C	981 km	1,153 km	813 km	1,179 km
	(78 %)	(98 %)	(64 %)	(100 %)
Class D	3,770 km	3,826 km	1,418 km	4,142 km
	(79 %)	(92 %)	(30 %)	(100 %)



Basic indicators III: turn restriction count

	OSM	GIP
Number of turn restrictions	691	2,500

Vehicle routing quality indicators



Vehicle routing quality indicators I: turn restrictions

black arrows violating restrictions





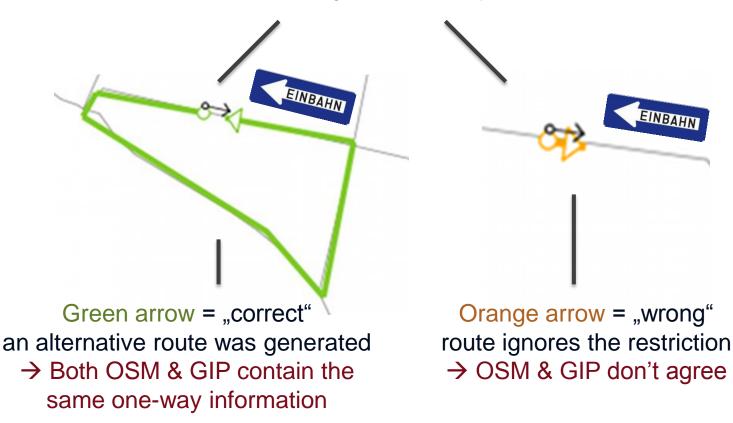
Green arrow = "correct" an alternative route was generated → Both OSM & GIP contain the same turn restriction Orange arrow = "wrong" route ignores the restriction → OSM & GIP don't agree

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Vehicle routing quality indicators II: one-way streets

black arrows against one-way direction



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One-way and turn restriction comparison

	Total	Matches	Differences
One-way streets	6,595	6,289 (95.4 %)	306 (4.6 %)
Turn restrictions	1,232	842 (68.3 %)	390 (31.7 %)

Manual evaluation in the 9th district of Vienna

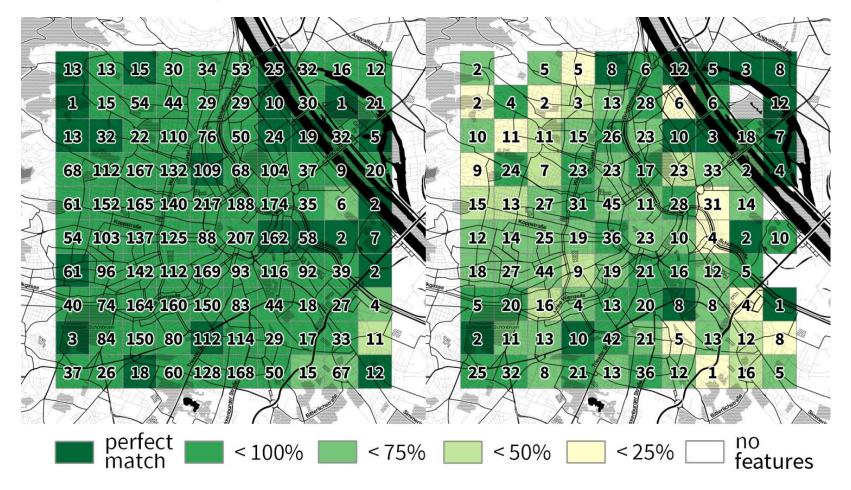
	Differences	OSM errors	GIP errors	Other
One-way streets	9	7	2 (22.2 %)	
Turn restrictions	20	11	6 (30.0 %)	3



Spatial distribution of one-way streets & turn restrictions and matching features

One-way streets

Turn restrictions



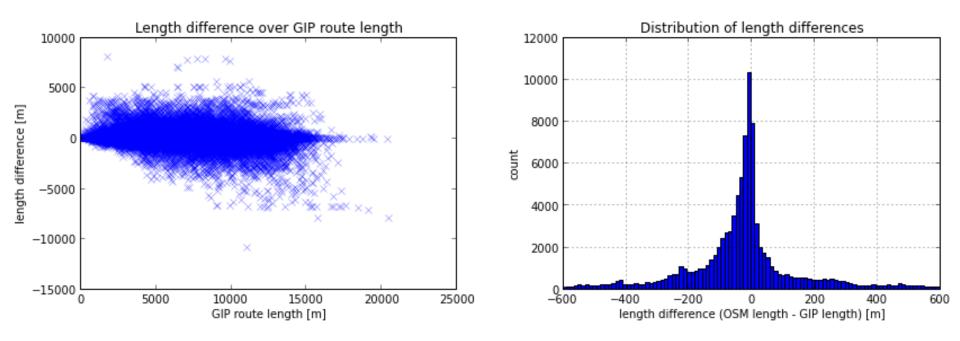
Routing comparison



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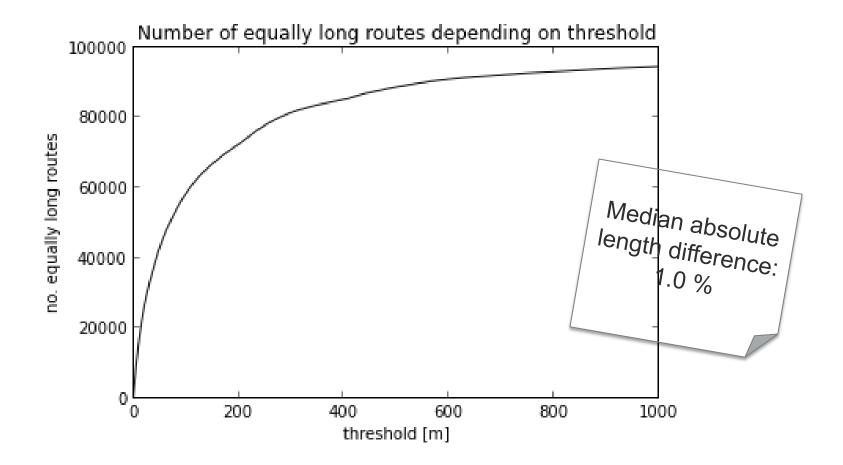
99,000 route pairs (10 per cell pair):

- Average GIP route length: 6,812 m (min: 54 m; max: 20,465 m)
- Mean length difference (OSM-GIP): -17.3 m



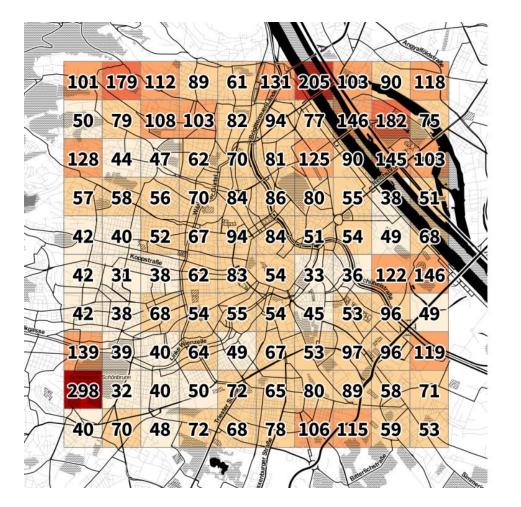


How similar are OSM & GIP route lengths?





Spatial distribution of length differences



median absolute
length difference

< 50</p>
50 - 100
100 - 150
150 - 200
200 - 250
> 250

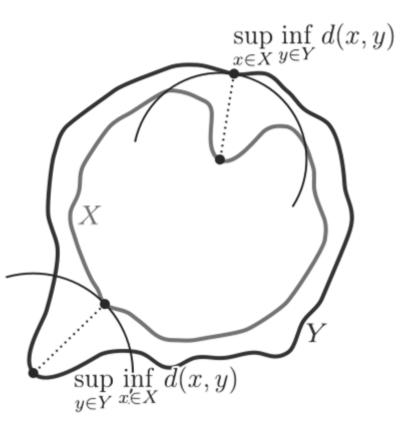


Route Geometry Similarity

Hausdorff distance

Maximum minimum distance

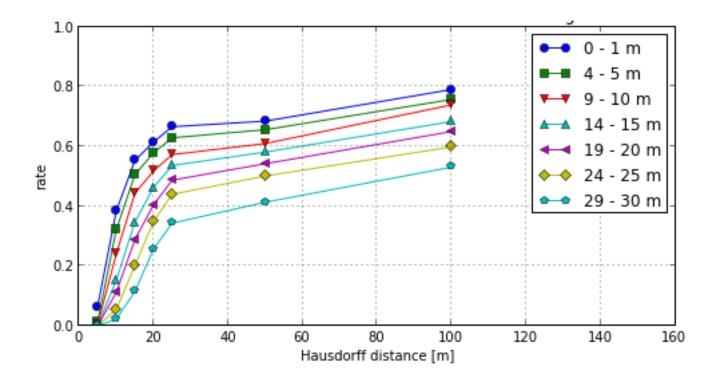
between both routes





Correlation of length difference and Hausdorff distance

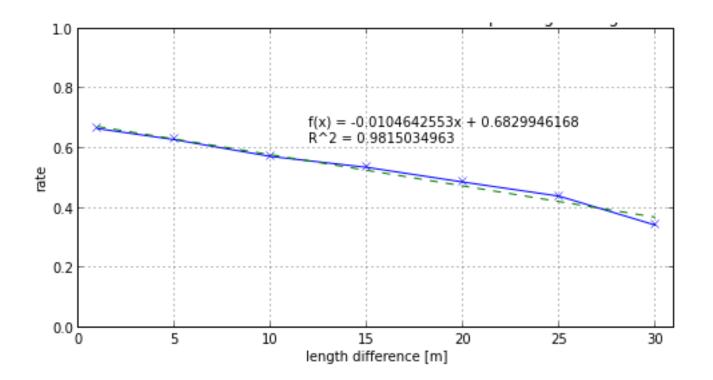
Rate of similar routes for 7 length difference classes





Route geometry similarity

Pairs with length difference < 25 m and Hausdorff dist. < 25 m: 16,903 (17.1 %)





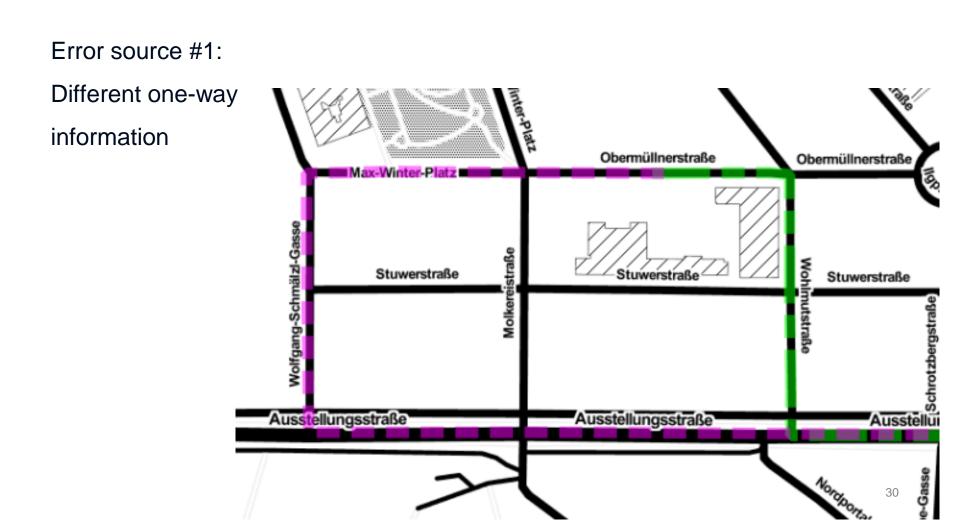
A closer look at conspicuous routes I

Error source #1: Different one-way information





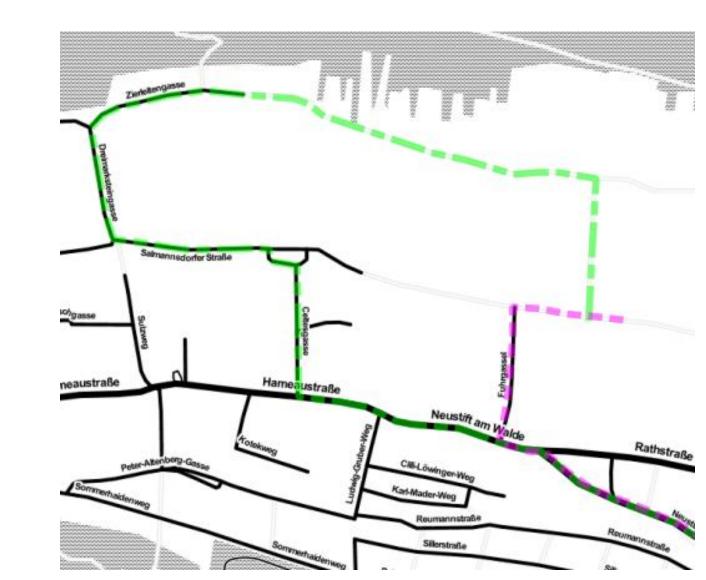
A closer look at conspicuous routes II





A closer look at conspicuous routes III

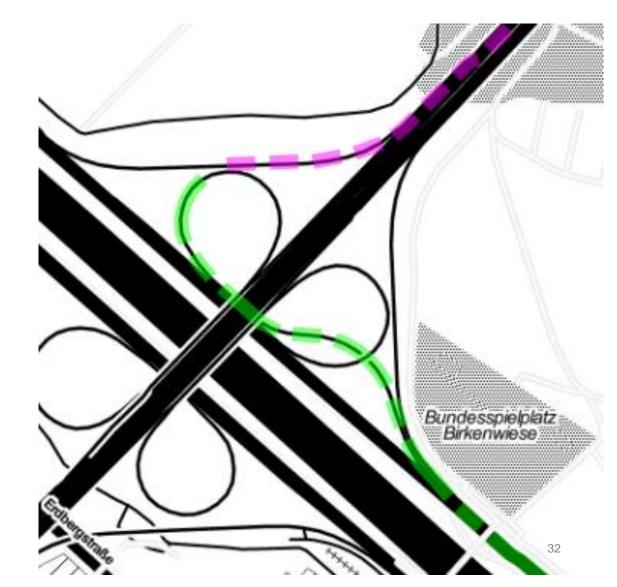
Error source #2: Different driving permissions





A closer look at conspicuous routes IV

Challenge: Automated test route generation



Conclusion



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Routing comparison

Good agreement of route lengths:

1.0 % median absolute length difference (relative to original GIP route length)

Different route geometries based on Hausdorff distance:

17.1 % of pairs with similar route geometry

Future work

- effects on specific applications (e.g. floating car data systems)
- other modes of transport such as walking and cycling



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