Harvesting operations in the management of even- and uneven aged Swedish forests

Simulating harvester forwarder logging operations: 1 operator, 2 machines

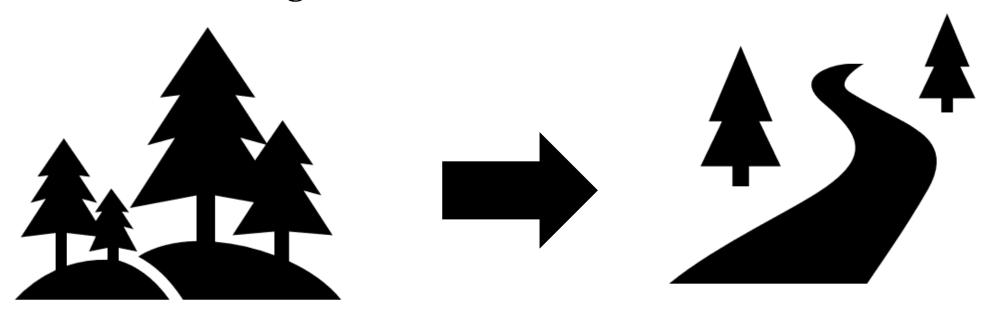


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Harvesting operations

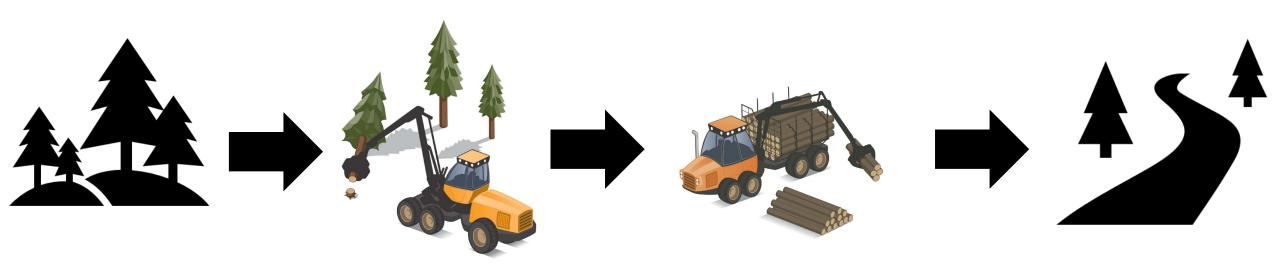
Extracting trees





Swedish harvesting operations

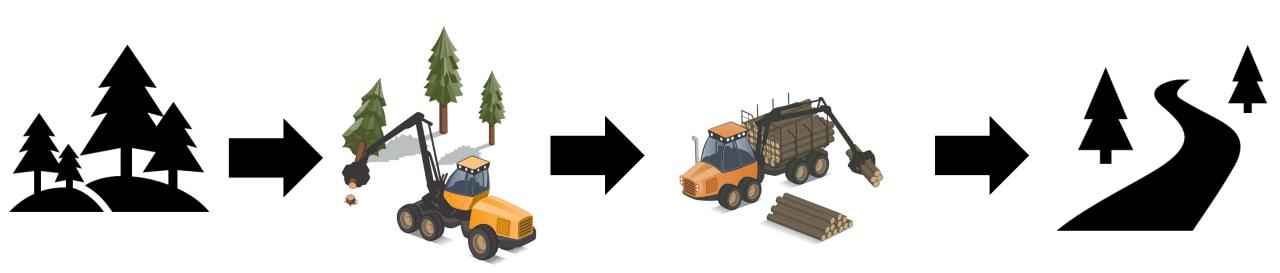
Cut-to-length using a harvester and forwarder





Simulating Swedish harvesting operations

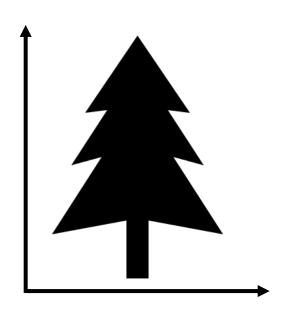
- Estimating cost per m³ for alternative systems
 - Discrete event simulation

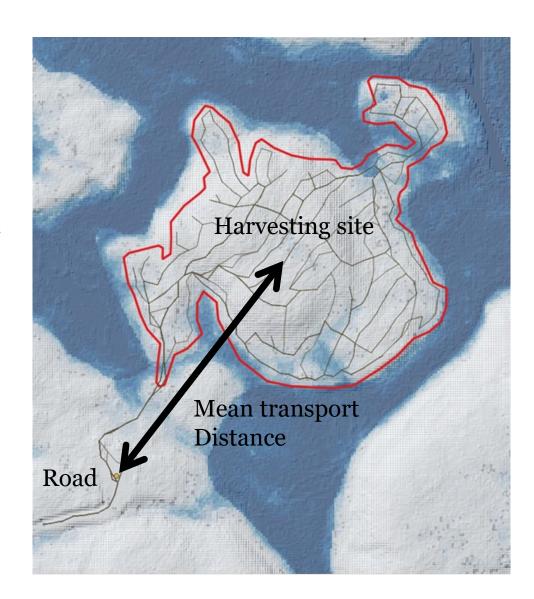




Harvesting site scenarios

- Mean stem size (m^3)
- Mean terrain transport distance







Harvester work elements

- Moving
- Positioning-to-cut
- Felling
- Processing
- Boom-in
- Clearing
- Moving logs, tops and branches





Forwarder work elements

Driving empty

Won't wait for operator

Loading

Wait for operator

Driving while loading

Wait for operator

Driving loaded

Won't wait for operator

Unloading and driving while unloading



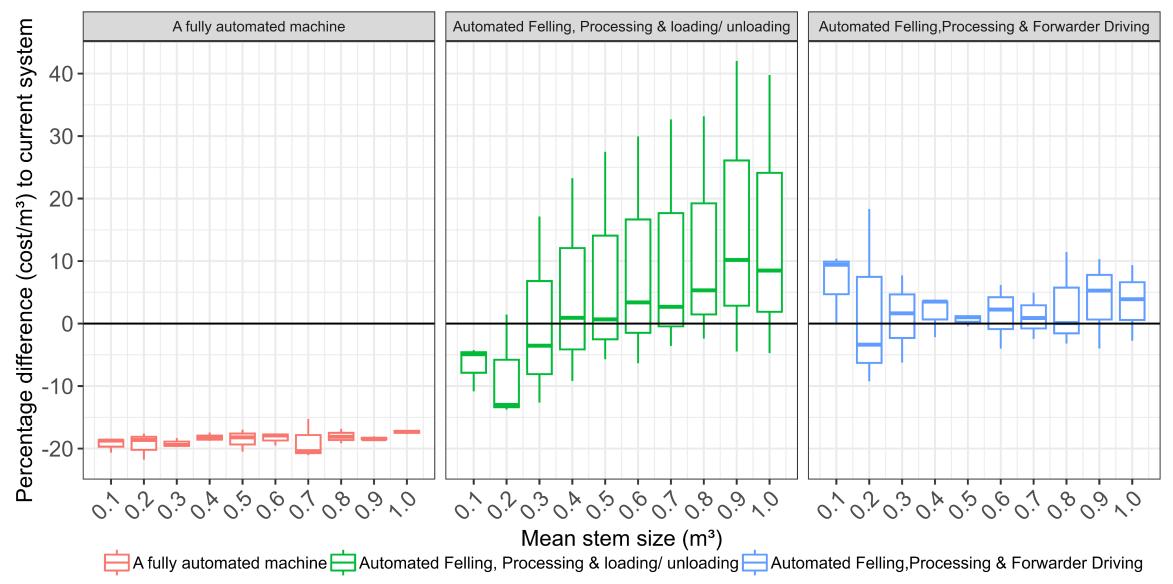


2 operators and 2 machines was compared with 1 operator and varying degrees of automation

Preliminary results

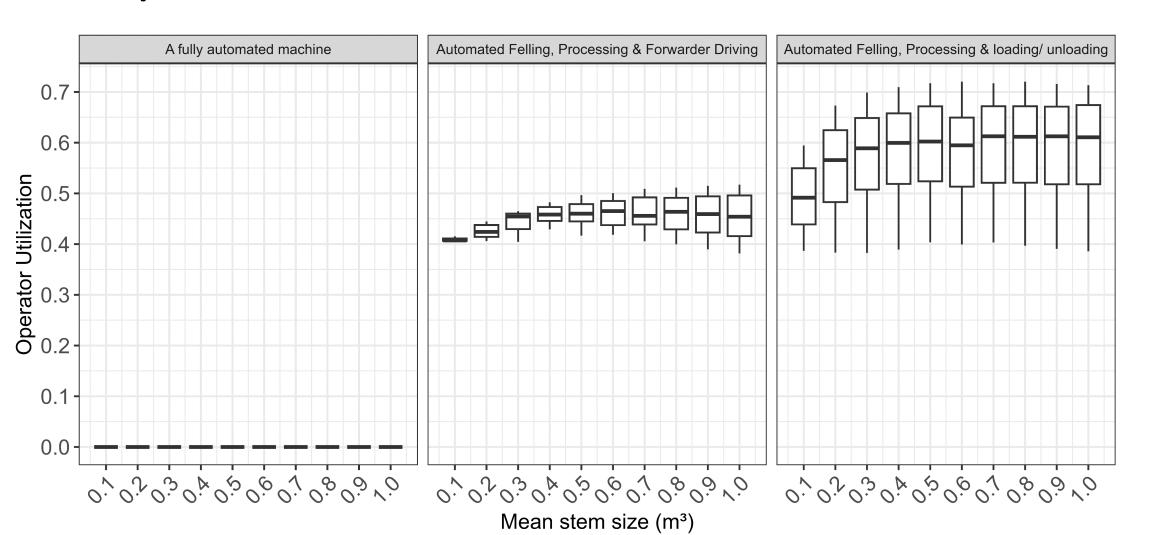






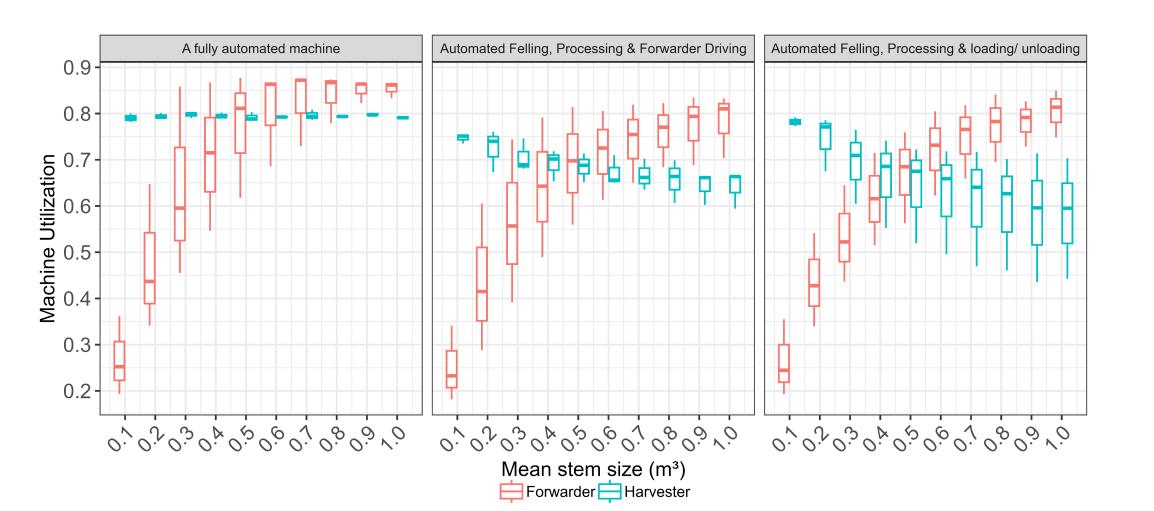


Operator utilization





Machine utilization





Questions?

