

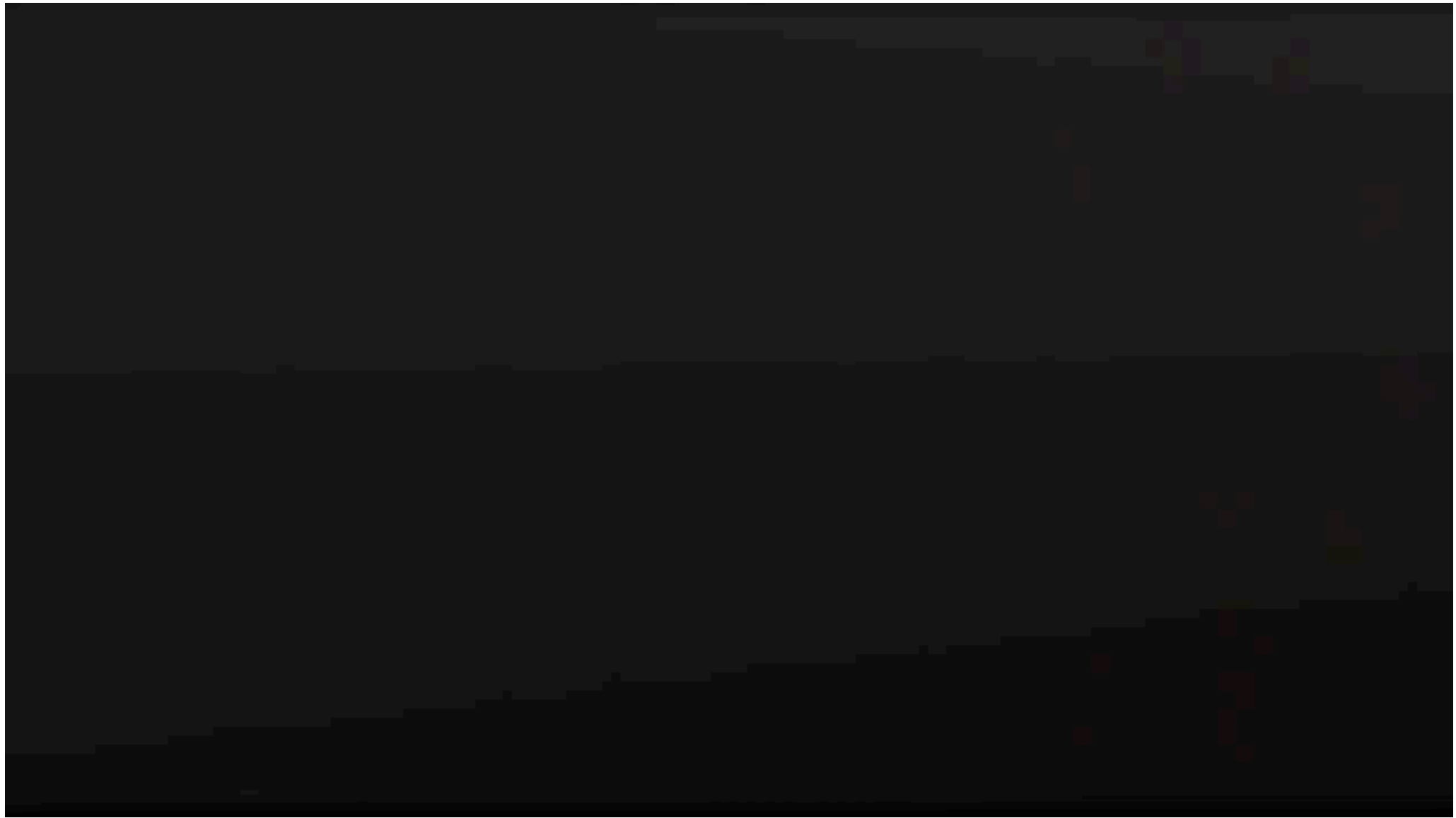
Autonomous Racing



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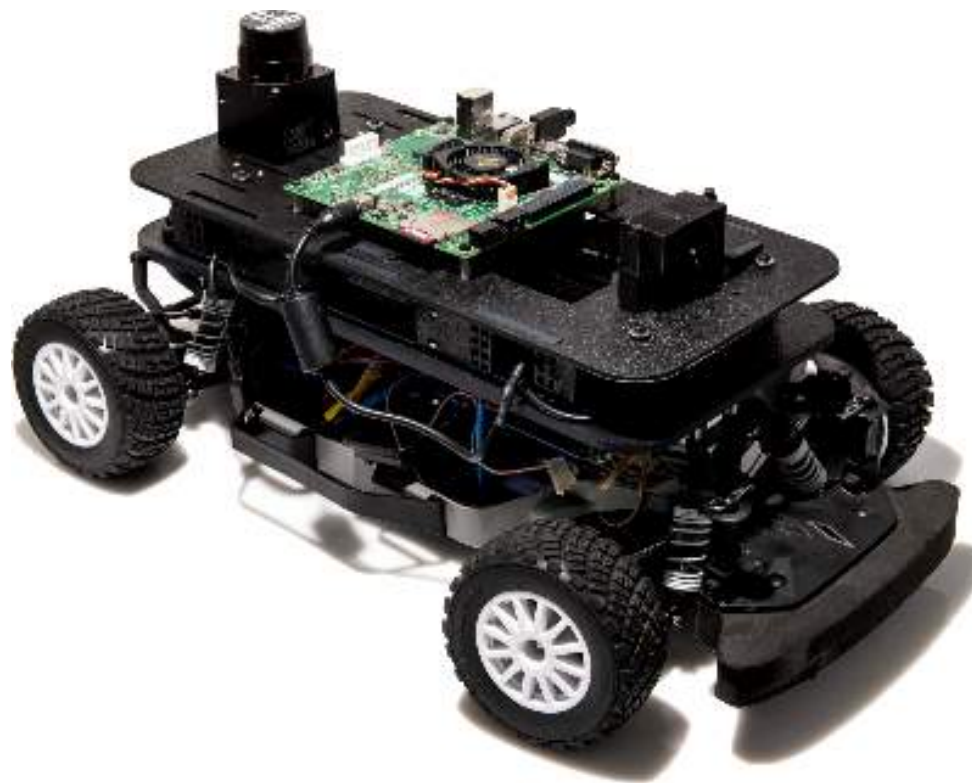
So what is **F1/10** ?



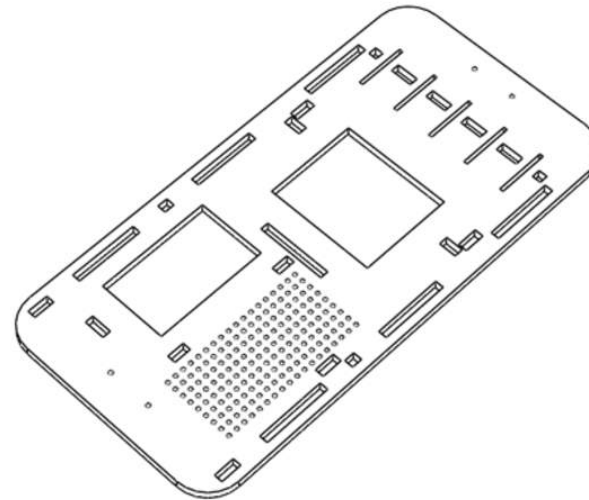
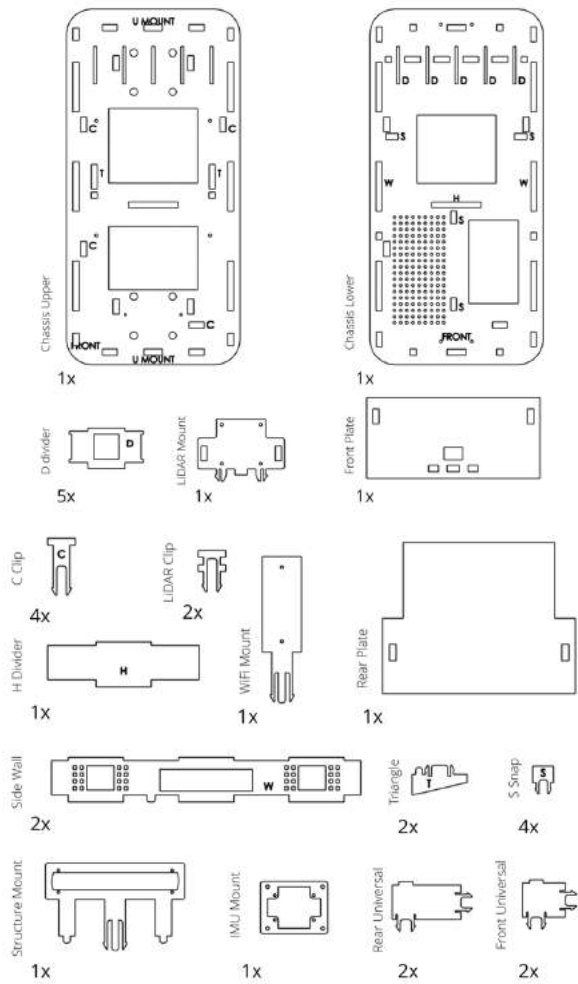
Build

Easy to build in 3 hours.

F1/10 racing platform



With simple IKEA style instructions at <http://f1tenth.org>

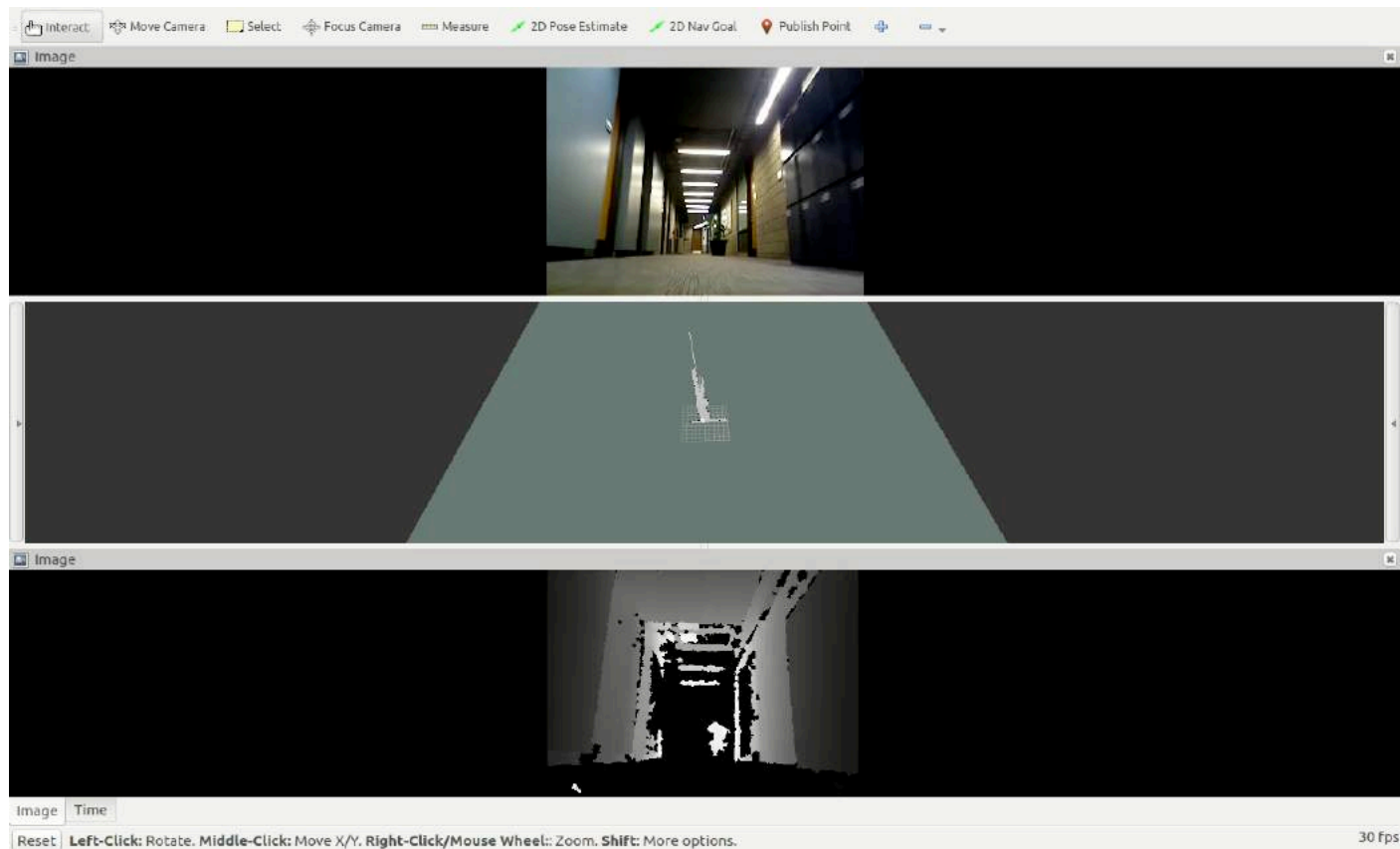


Learn

Perception. Planning. Control
All lectures at <http://f1tenth.org>

Learn about Autonomy

SLAM, AMCL, Scan matching, planning algorithms, optimal control strategies for the fastest autonomous driver, safe decision making..



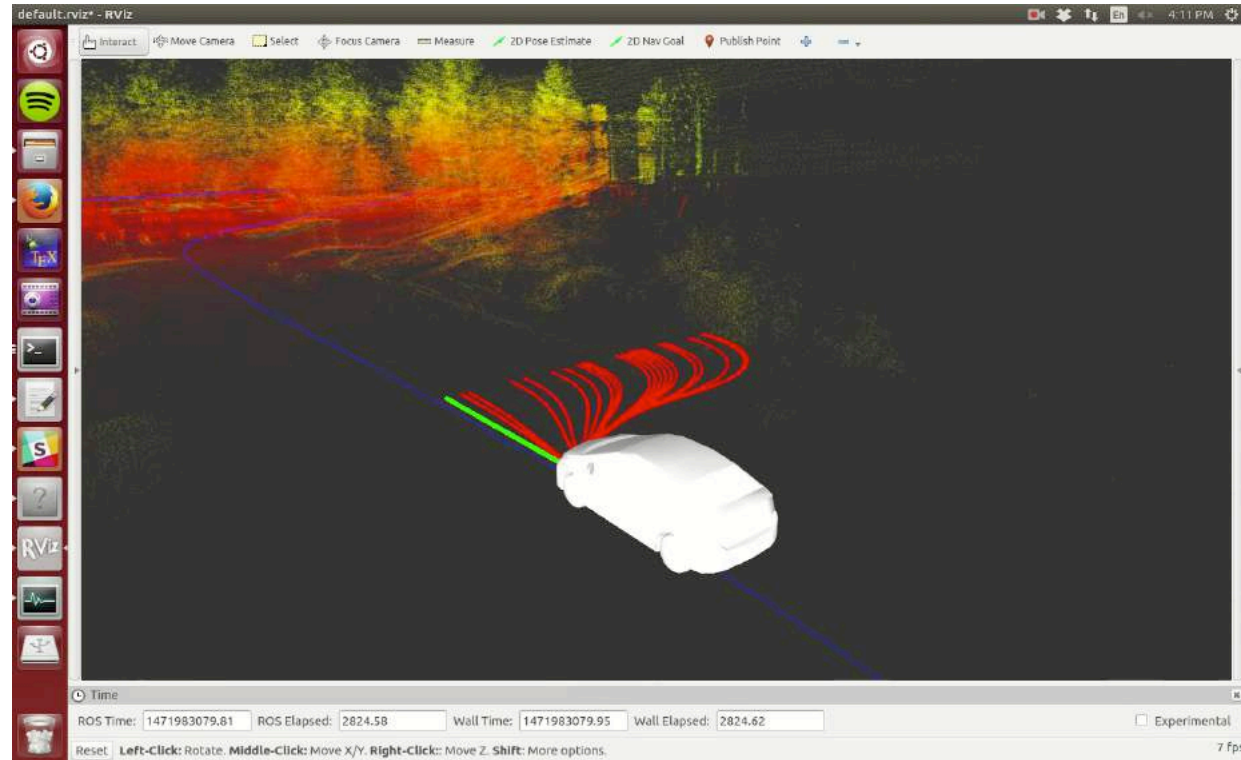
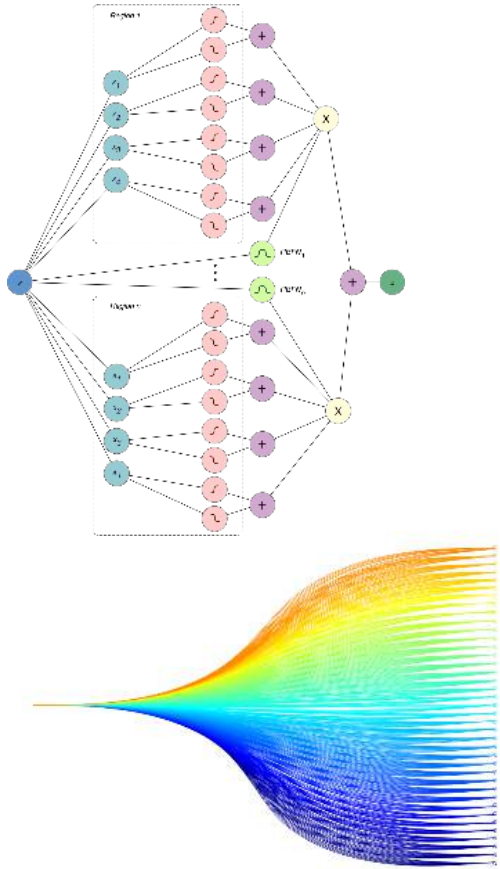
Note: Map based approach where loop closure fails...



Research

Closing the loop fast enough.

Map Free Approach



Efficient Adaptive State Lattice Planning

Use linear optimization to learn weights for a network of radial basis functions. Quickly compute a variety of trajectories in the configuration space of the robot in order to create local plans...

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F1/10

Autonomous Racing Competition

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The screenshot shows the homepage of f1tenth.org. At the top, a black navigation bar contains the F1/10 logo on the left, followed by the text 'BUILD / DRIVE / RACE'. To the right of this are links for 'About', 'Rules', 'Forum', 'Crew', and 'Sponsor'. A 'Sign Up' button is located in the top right corner of the navigation bar and is circled in red. Below the navigation bar is a large blue banner with the 'F1/10' logo in the center. The '1' in the logo is red, while the 'F' and '10' are black. Below the logo, the text 'Autonomous Racing Competition' and '1/10th the size. 10 times the fun!' is displayed. A grey button labeled 'Start Your Engines!' is positioned above a subscription form. The form includes the text 'Stay in the loop with email updates!' and a text input field with the placeholder 'email address'. A 'Subscribe' button is to the right of the input field. The entire subscription form area is circled in red.

Get Involved !

Compete



October 1st-2nd

Wean Hall, Carnegie Mellon University

To compete, [register](#) your team name on our [sign up sheet](#)

[Look at the progress of the Fall 2016 F1/10 teams](#)

[Directions/Accommodations](#)

ES Week Track Layout

Wean Hall, 7th Floor

Sector 1: █ Width: 8'

Sector 2: █ Width: 6'-8'

Sector 3: █ Width: 6'-8'

Track length

812

Feet

7

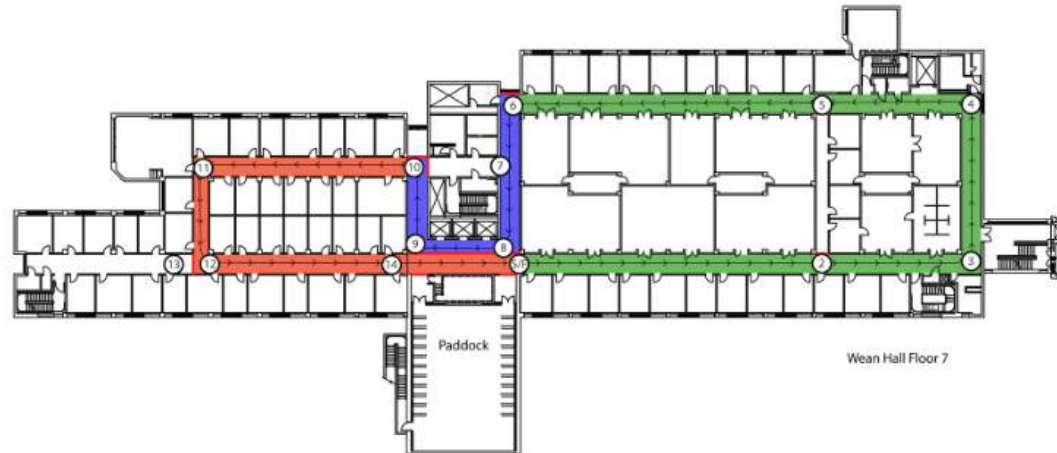
Left Turns

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Right Turns

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1st F1/10 Autonomous Racing Competition

[Oct 1-2, 2016, CMU, Pittsburgh]

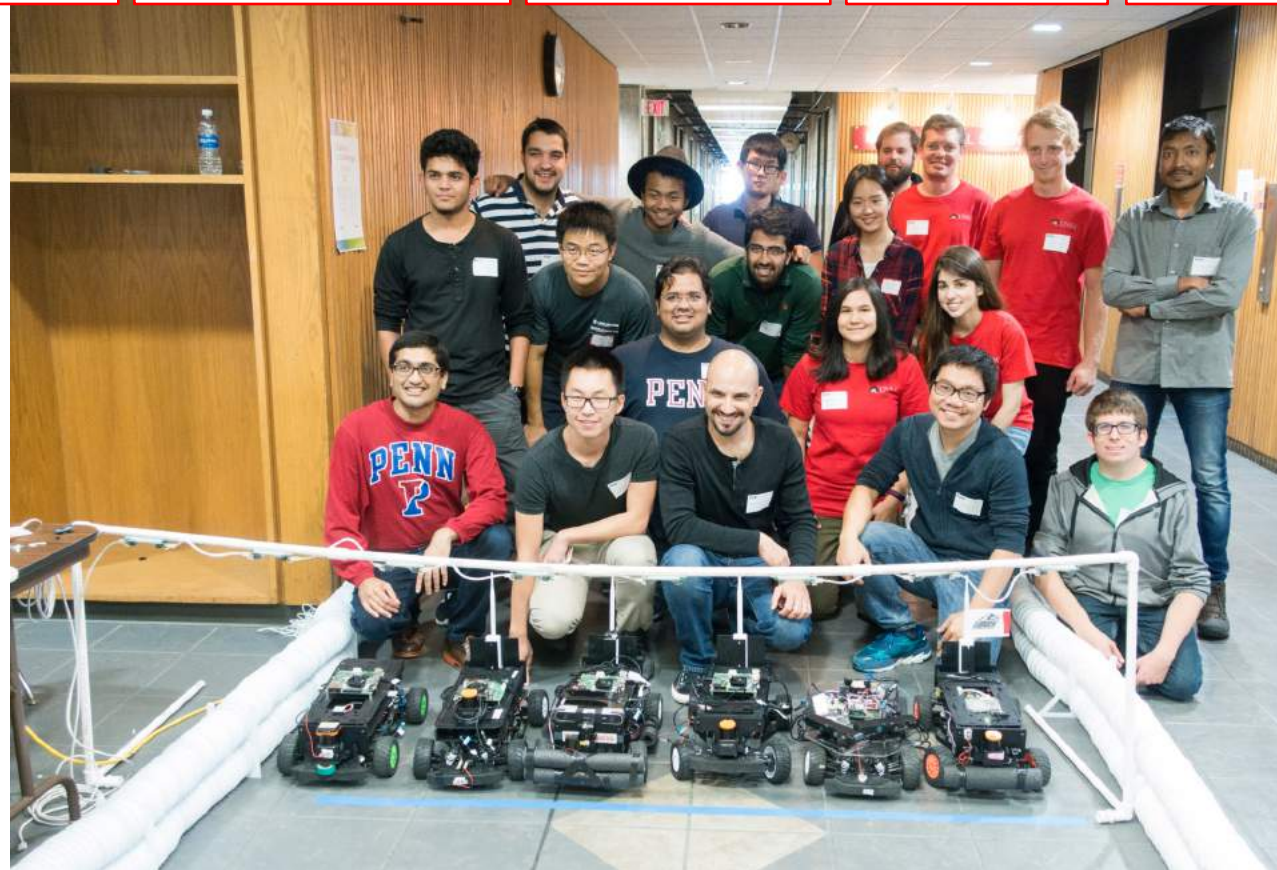
U. Of Penn

U. Of New Mexico

Arizona State

ETH, Zurich

Temple



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Fastest Lap



812 ft

63.6 secs

Avg 8.7mph

Top ~16mph

F1/10

1/10th the scale. 10 times the fun!
Autonomous Racing Competition | F1Tenth.org



Cyber Physical Systems (CPS) Week 2017
April 18-21, Pittsburgh, PA

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Fun!

F1/10

1/10th the scale. 10 times the fun!







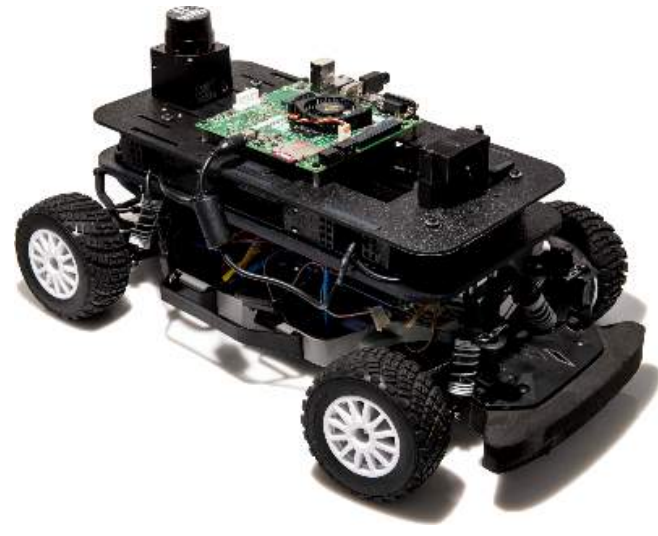
2016 Formula One United States GP, October, Austin, TX

Accessible Autonomy

Expensive, power hungry, large...



Cheap, low power, small...

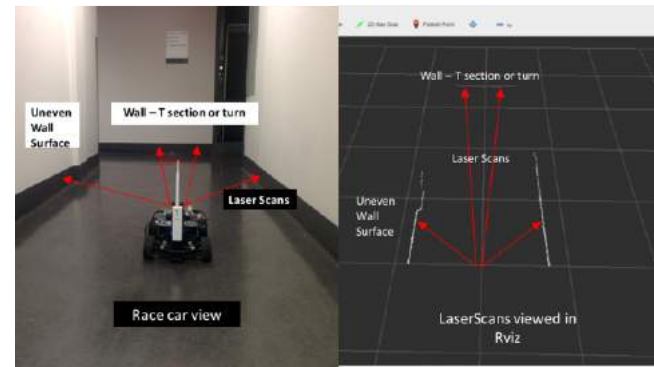
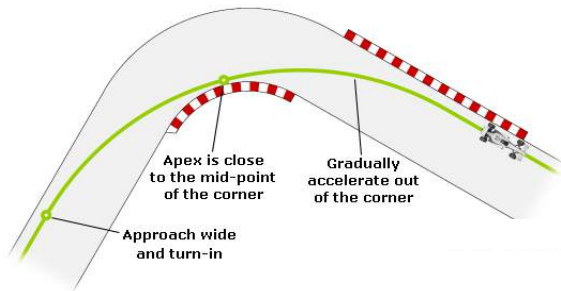


Same dynamics (different parameters), similar algorithmic challenges...

Build. Drive. Race.

Perception. Planning. Control

Making sense of the surroundings

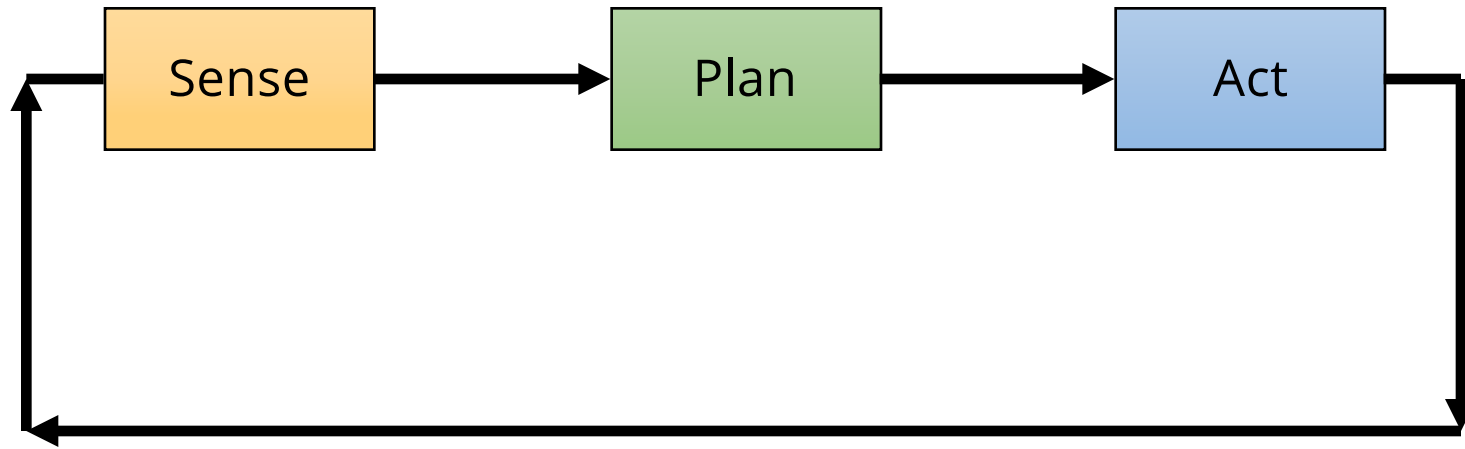


Planning the fastest racing line

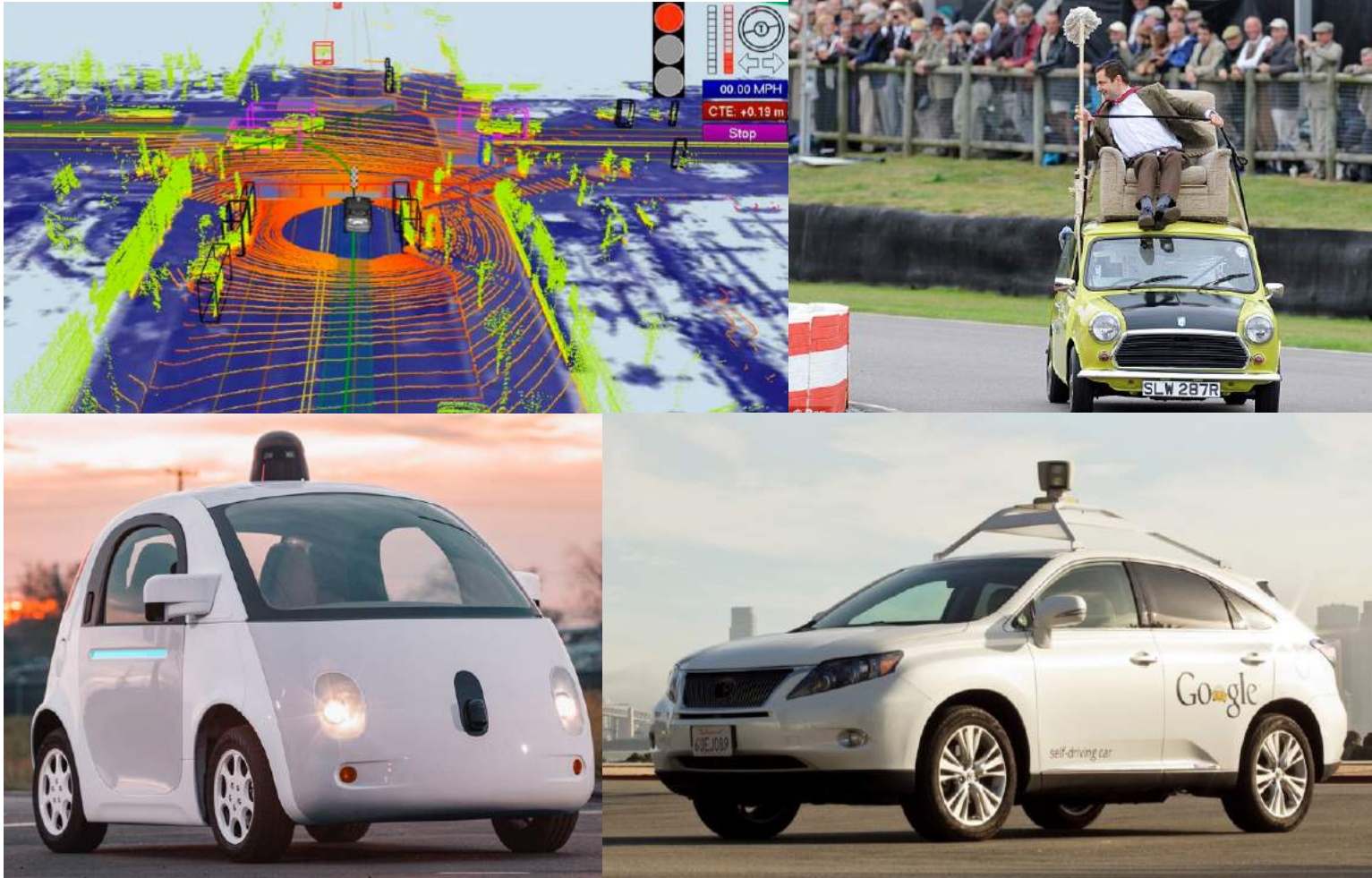
Controlling the car to follow the planned path



Closing the loop



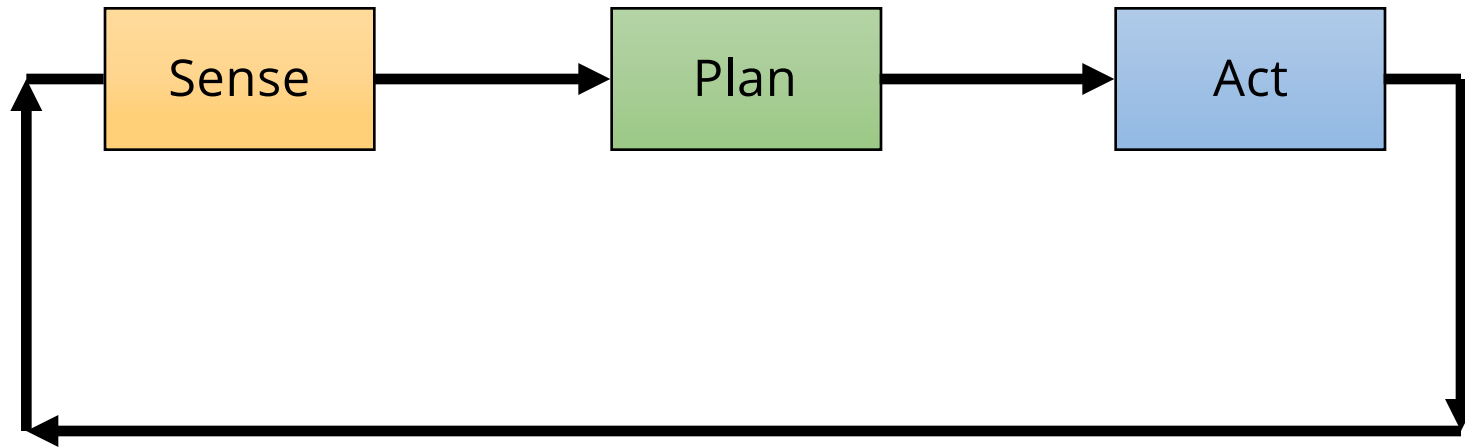
Self driving cars: Safety and Comfort



*“If everything seems under control,
then you are not going fast enough”*



Closing the loop *fast*



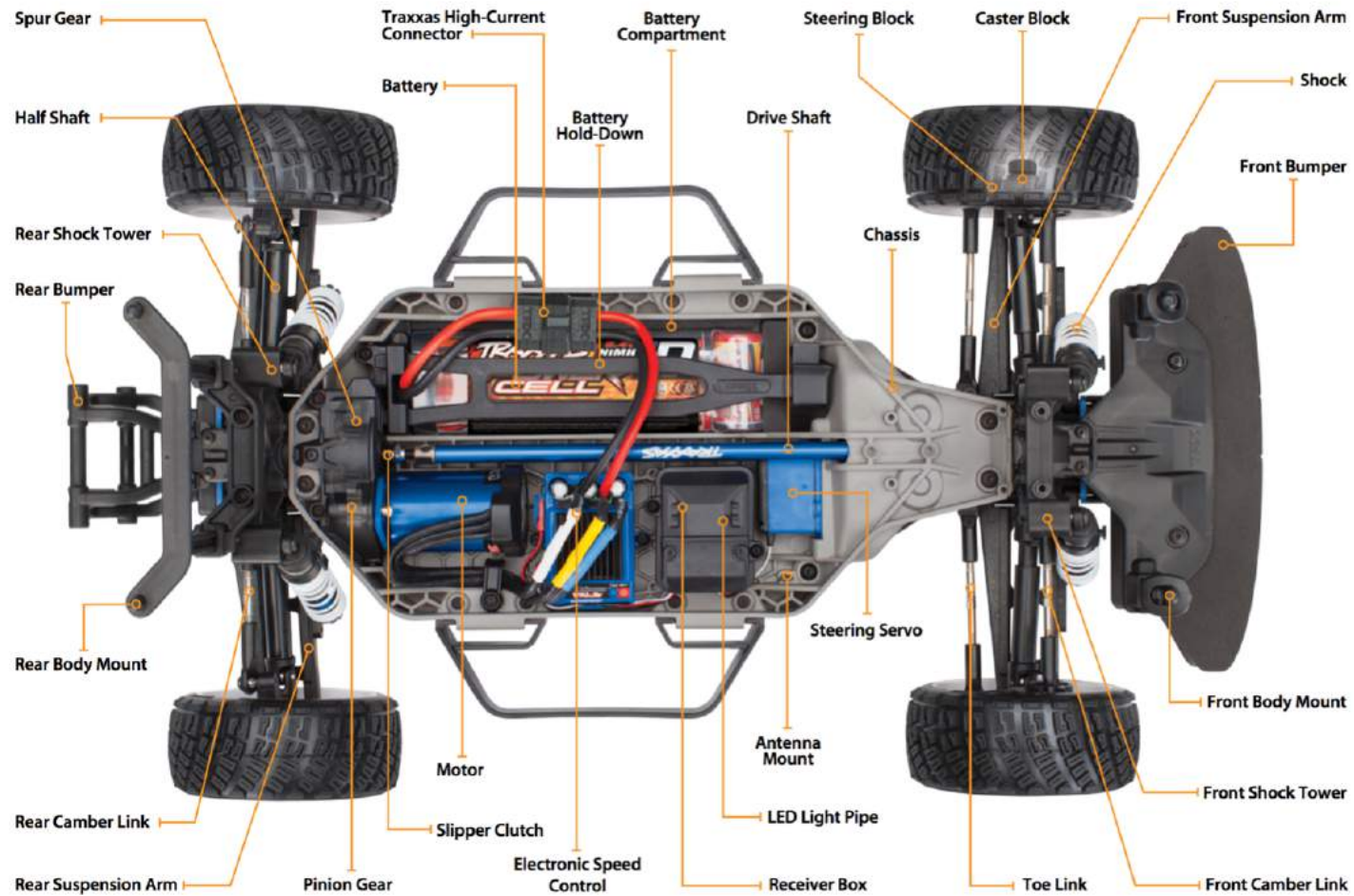
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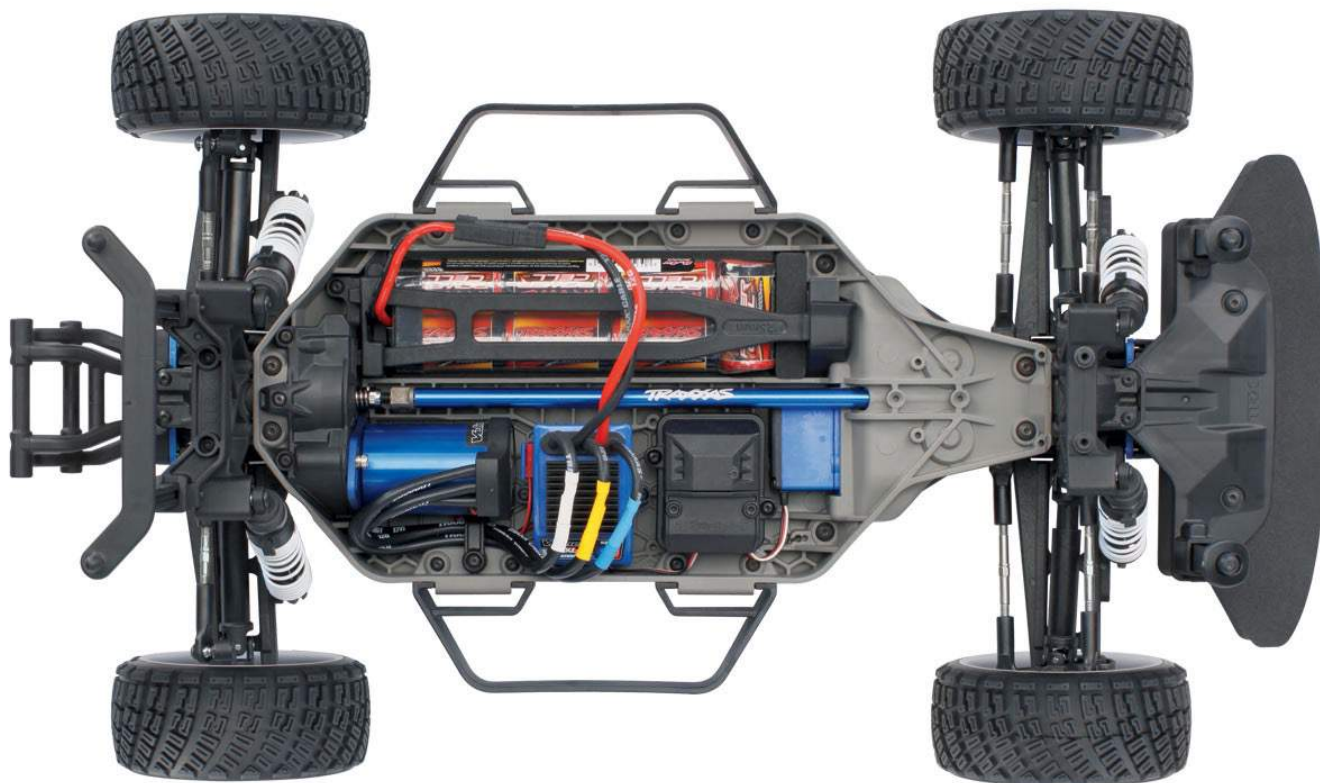


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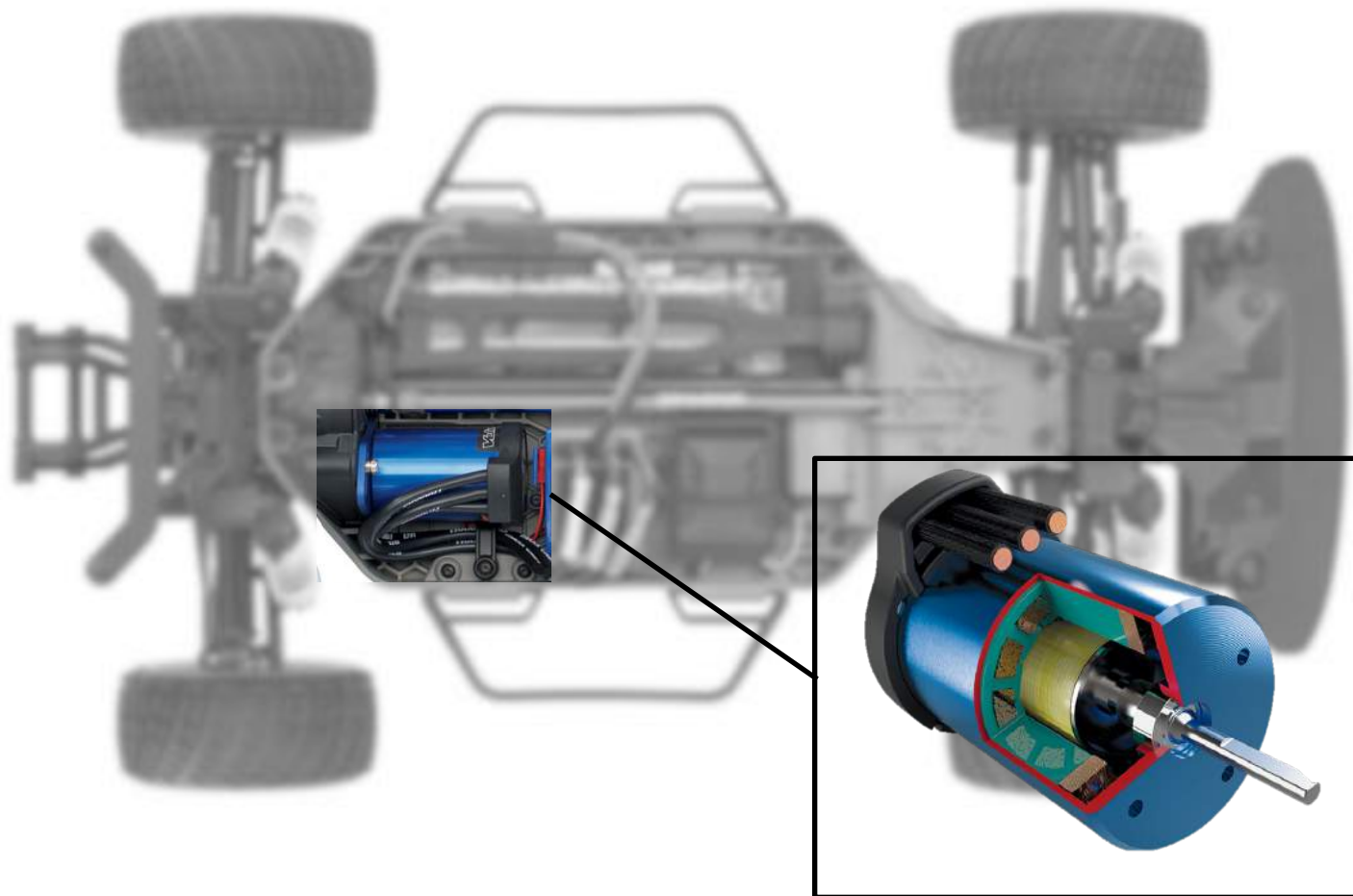
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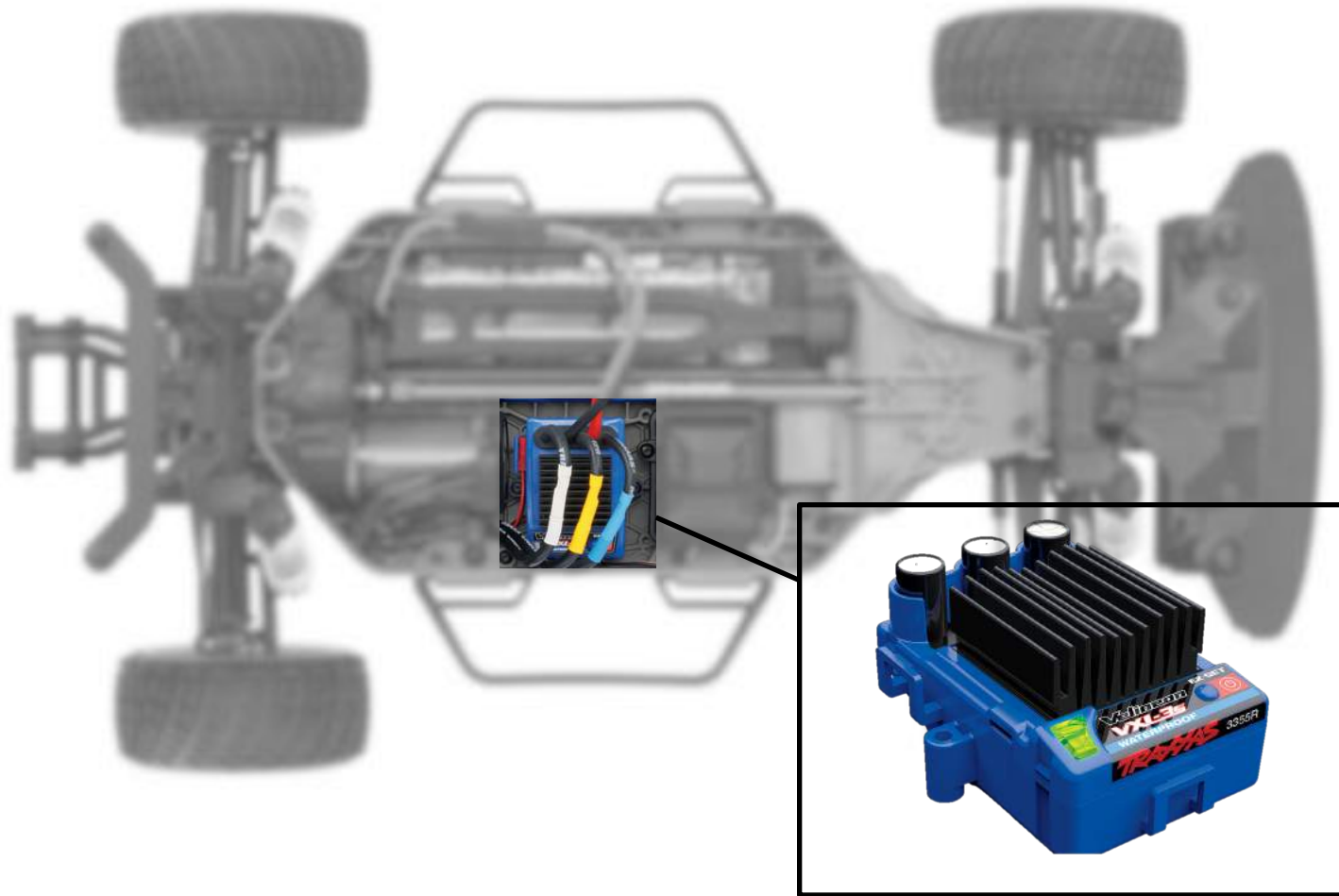
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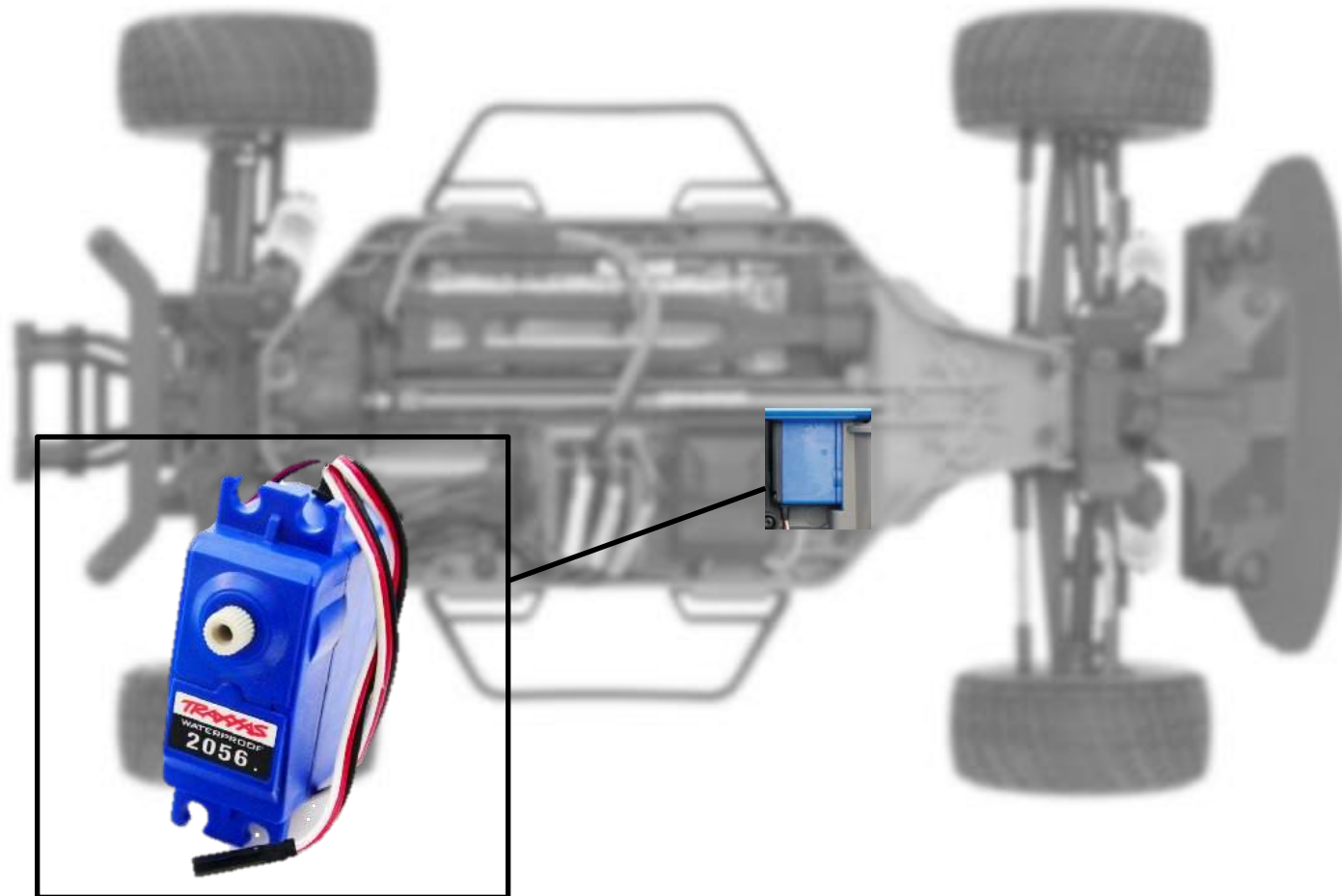
Brushless DC motor



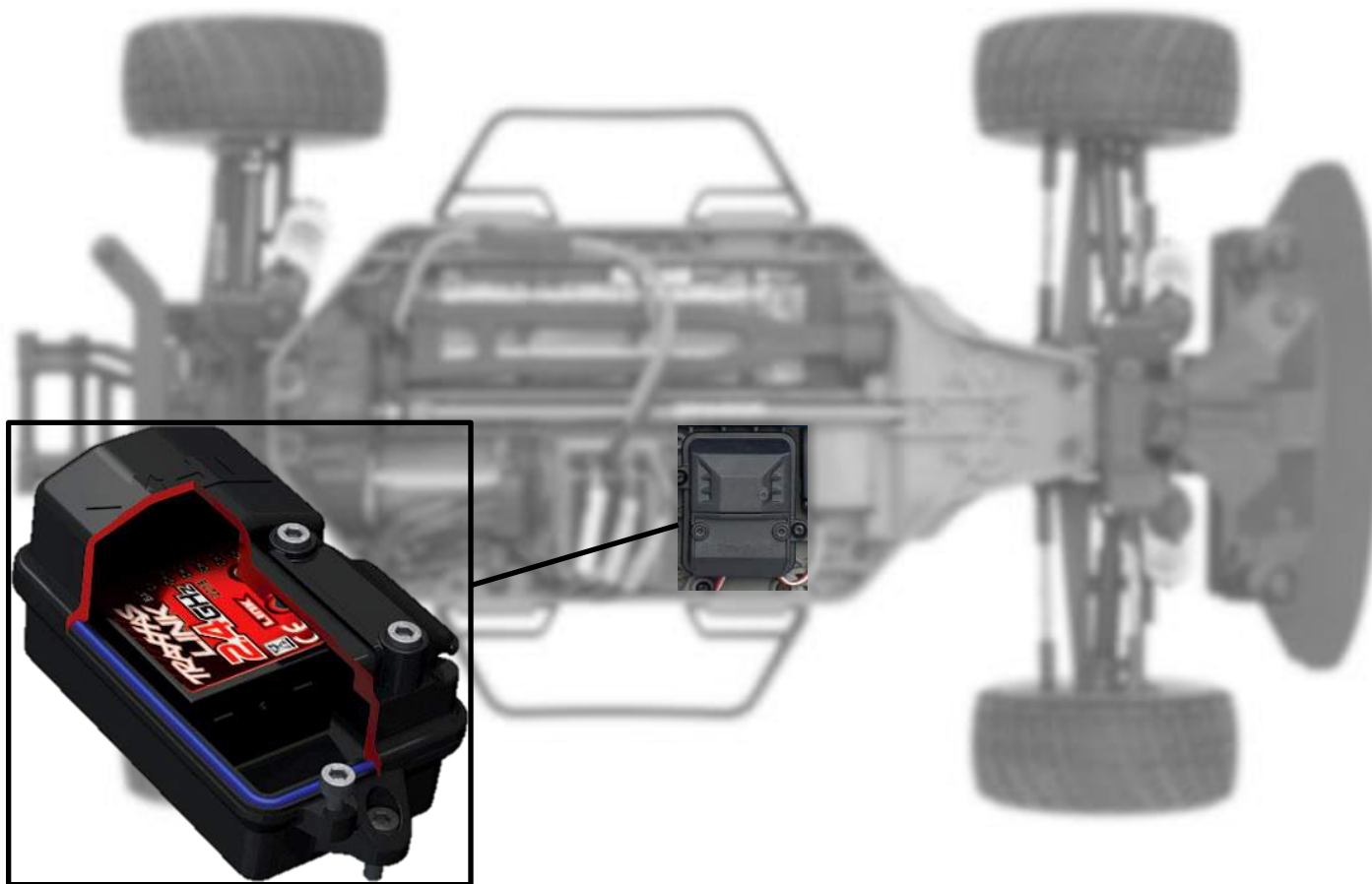
Electronic Speed Control (ESC)



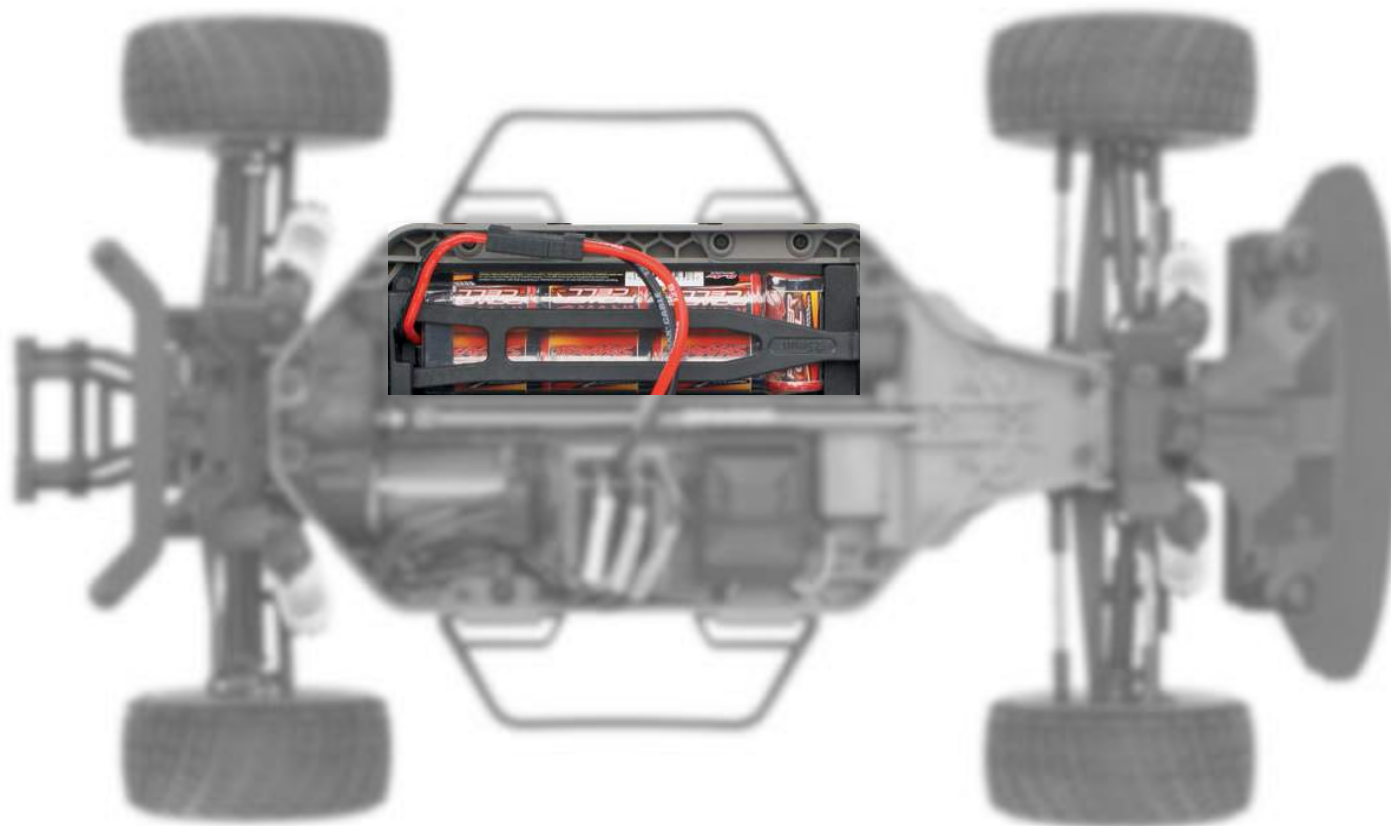
Servo motor for steering



Radio receiver



Battery pack



Sensor Integration



LiDAR



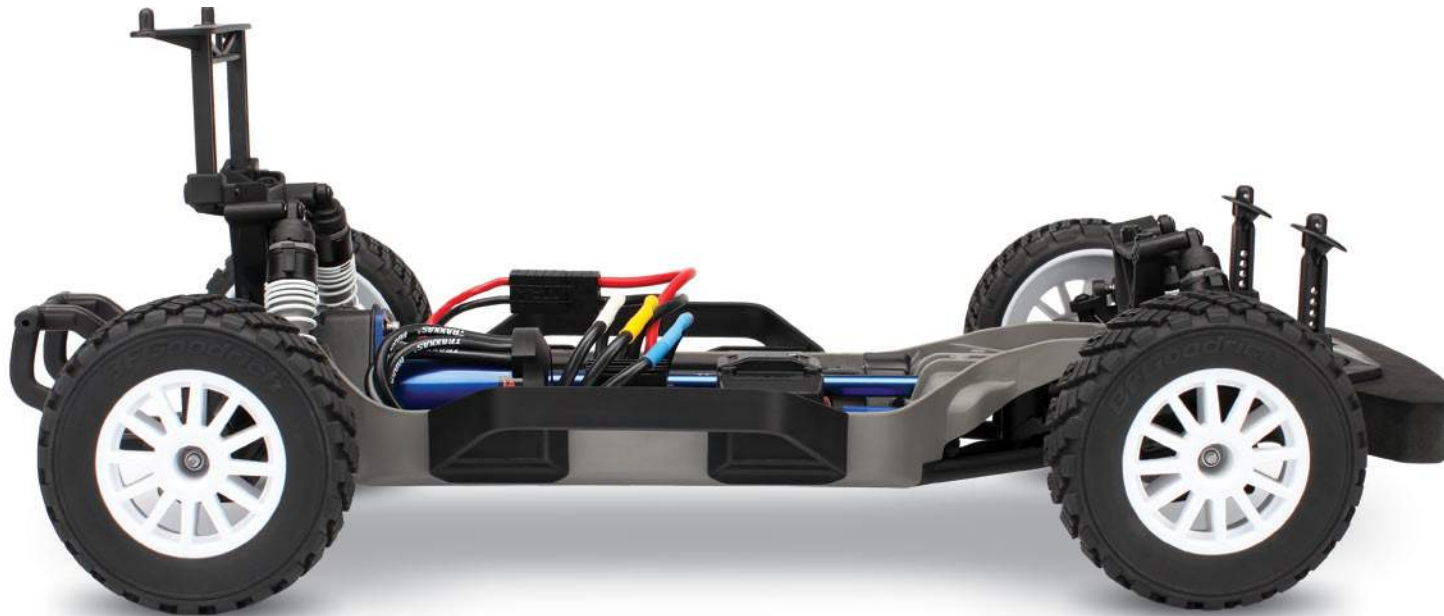
Camera



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Wi-fi Telemetry



Onboard Computer

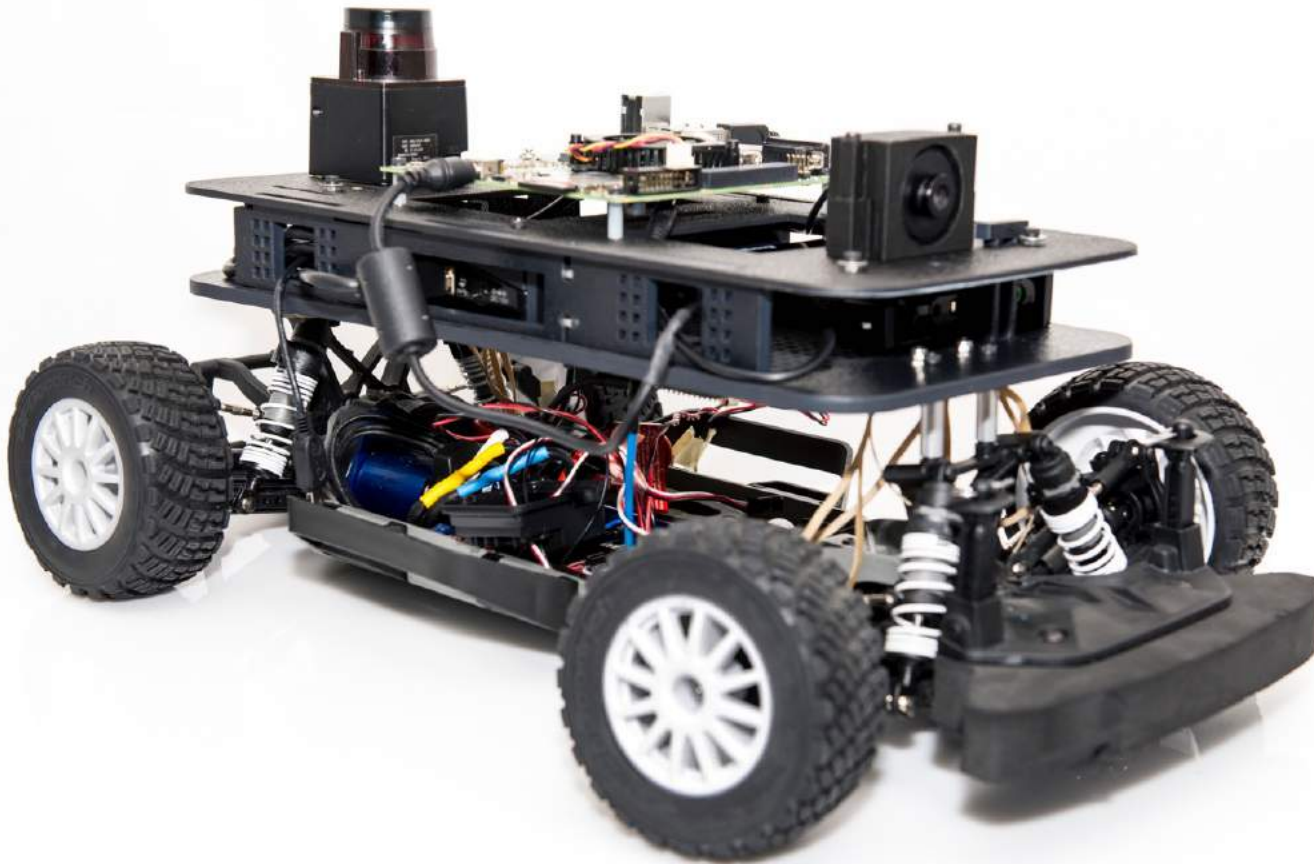


Motor Controller

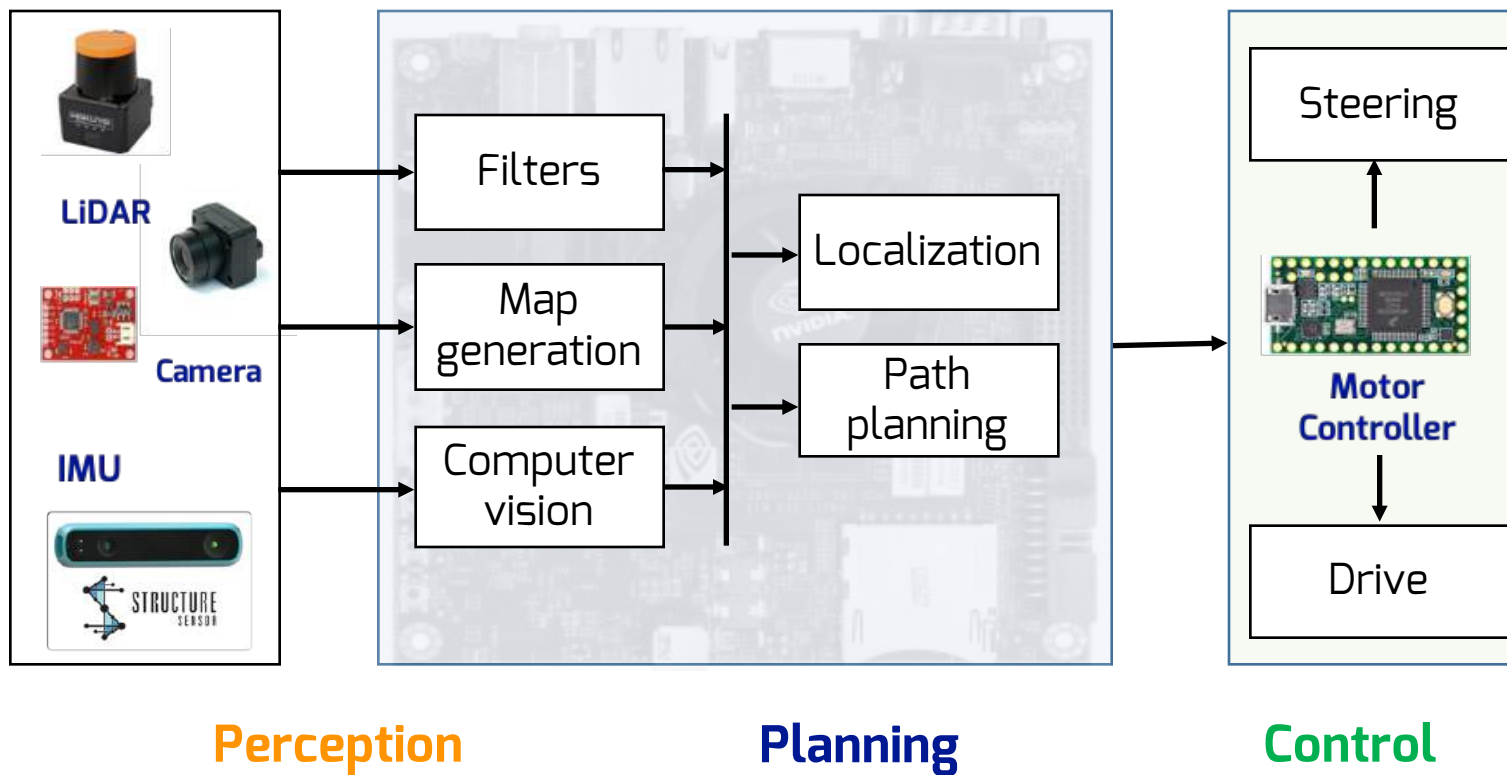


Battery

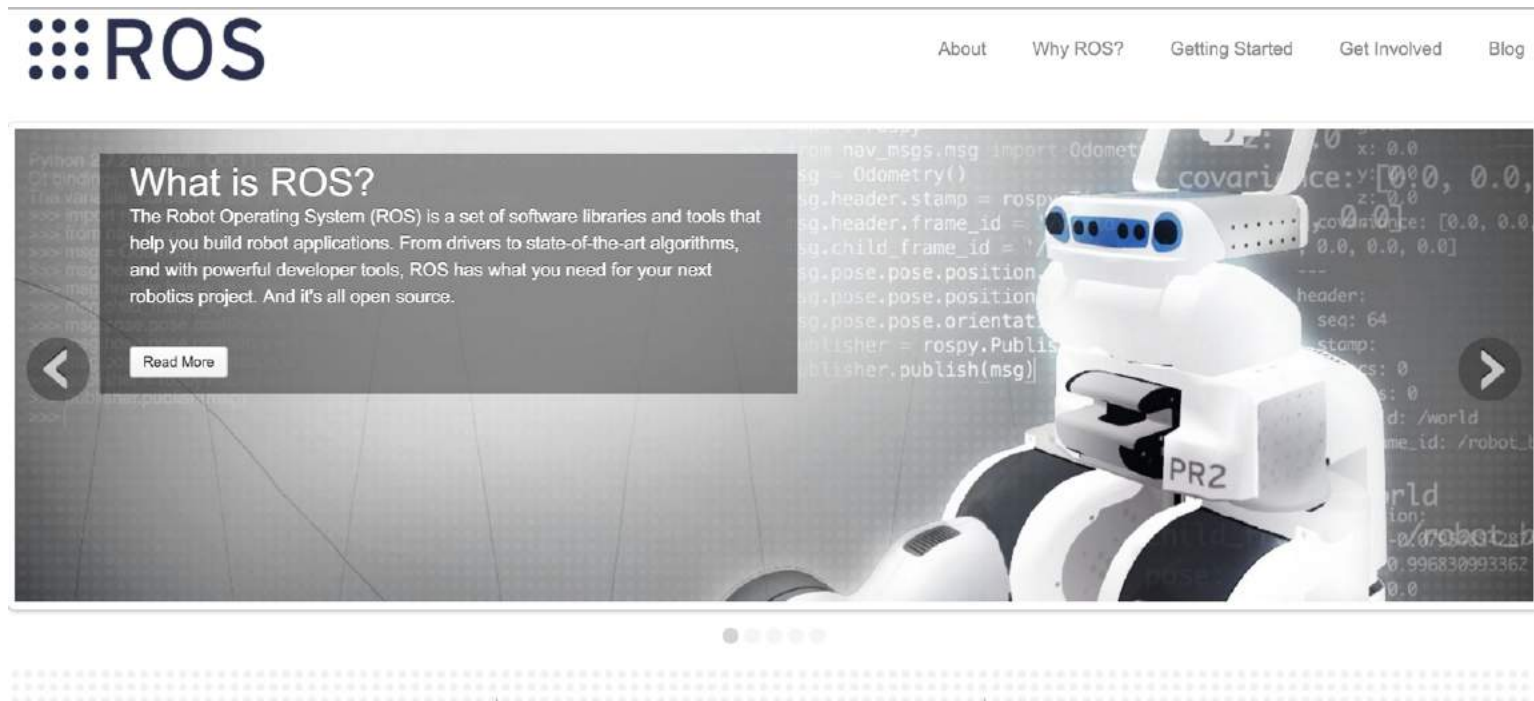
~~Ready to race!~~ Not quite..



System Architecture



ROS: Robot Operating System



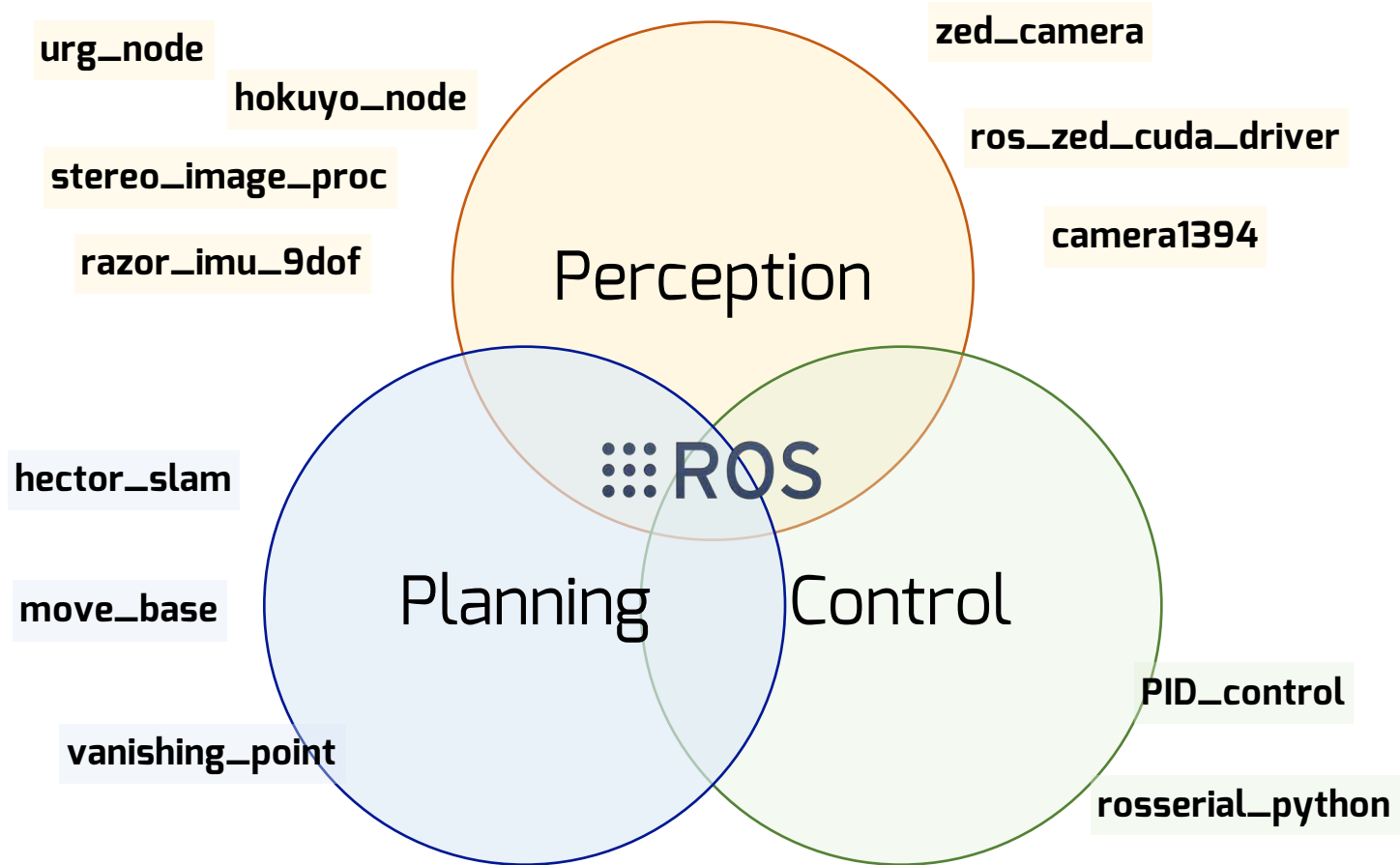
The screenshot shows the ROS website homepage. At the top left is the ROS logo (a 3x3 grid of dots) followed by the text "ROS". To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links: "About", "Why ROS?", "Getting Started", "Get Involved", and "Blog". Below the navigation is a large banner image featuring a white PR2 robot in the foreground. The background of the banner is a dark grey with faint, semi-transparent Python code snippets. On the left side of the banner, there is a dark grey box with the heading "What is ROS?" and a paragraph of text: "The Robot Operating System (ROS) is a set of software libraries and tools that help you build robot applications. From drivers to state-of-the-art algorithms, and with powerful developer tools, ROS has what you need for your next robotics project. And it's all open source." Below this text is a "Read More" button. On the far left and right of the banner are circular arrows for navigation. At the bottom of the banner, there are five small white dots, with the second one from the left being filled, indicating the current slide in a carousel.

 ROS.org



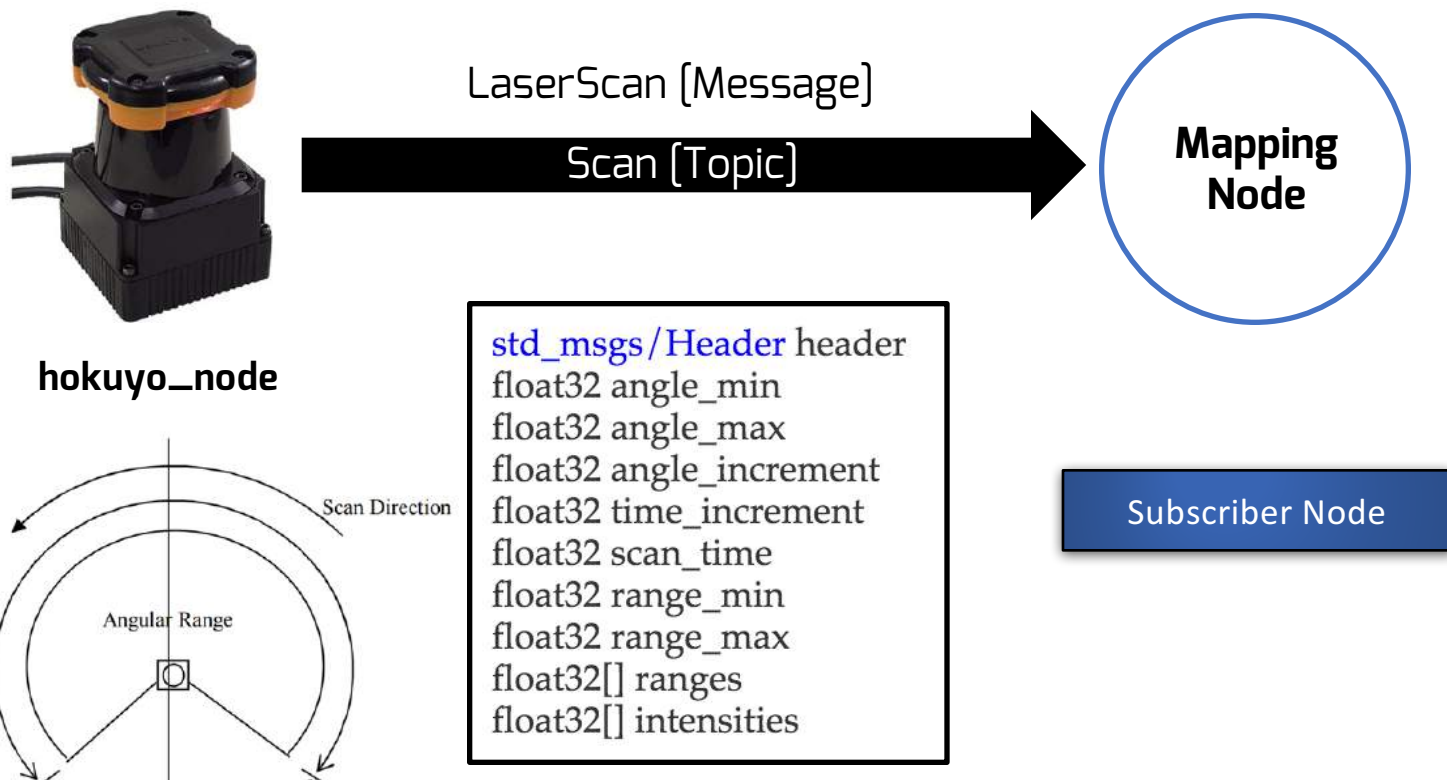
Open Source Robotics Foundation

ROS Capabilities



ROS: Messages

Messages are the strongly-typed **data structure** for a topic.



Basic ROS commands: `roscore`

`roscore` is the first thing that you should run when starting ROS.

```
$ roscore
```

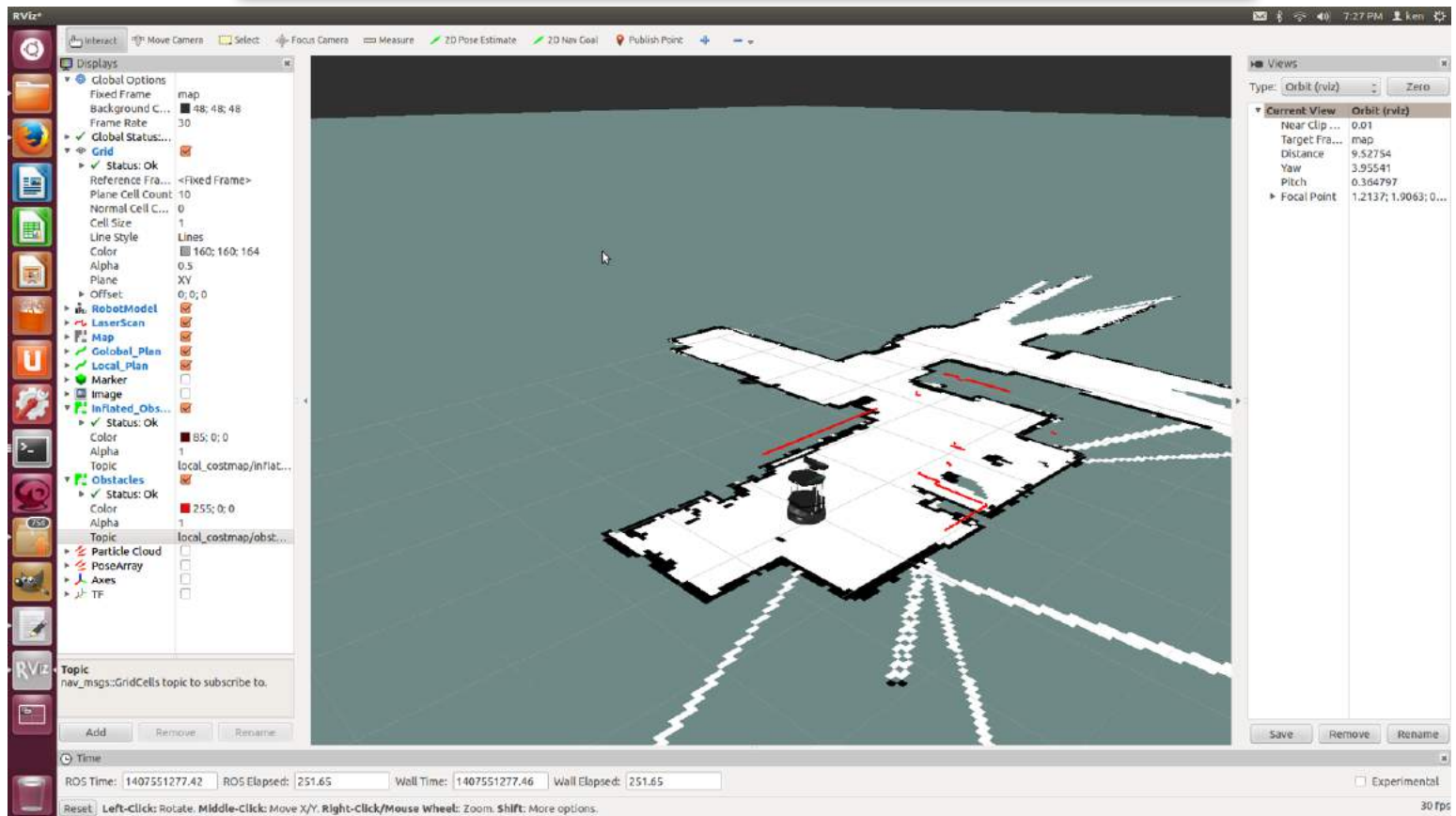
Collection of nodes and programs that are pre-requisites of a ROS-based system.

It starts up:

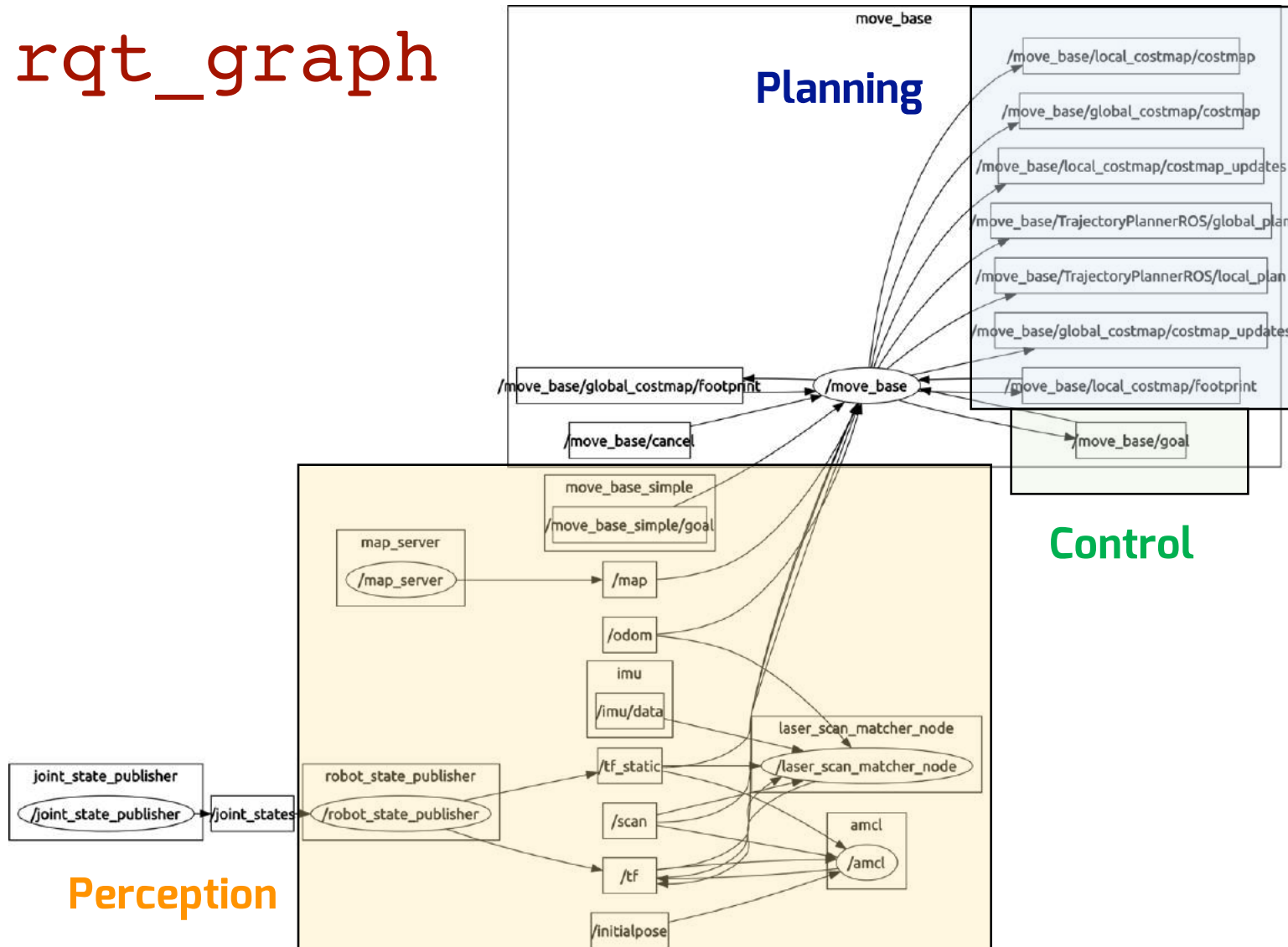
- The ROS Master
- A roscout logging node.

3D visualization tool: *rviz*

```
$ rosrun rviz rviz
```



rqt_graph

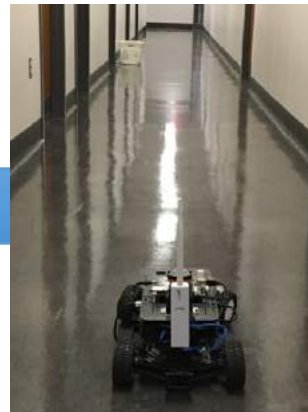


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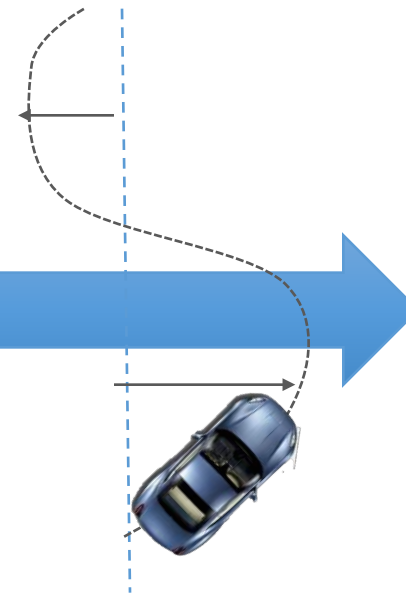
Perception. Planning. Control



IMU and
LIDAR



Mapping/Localization



PID Control

Perception

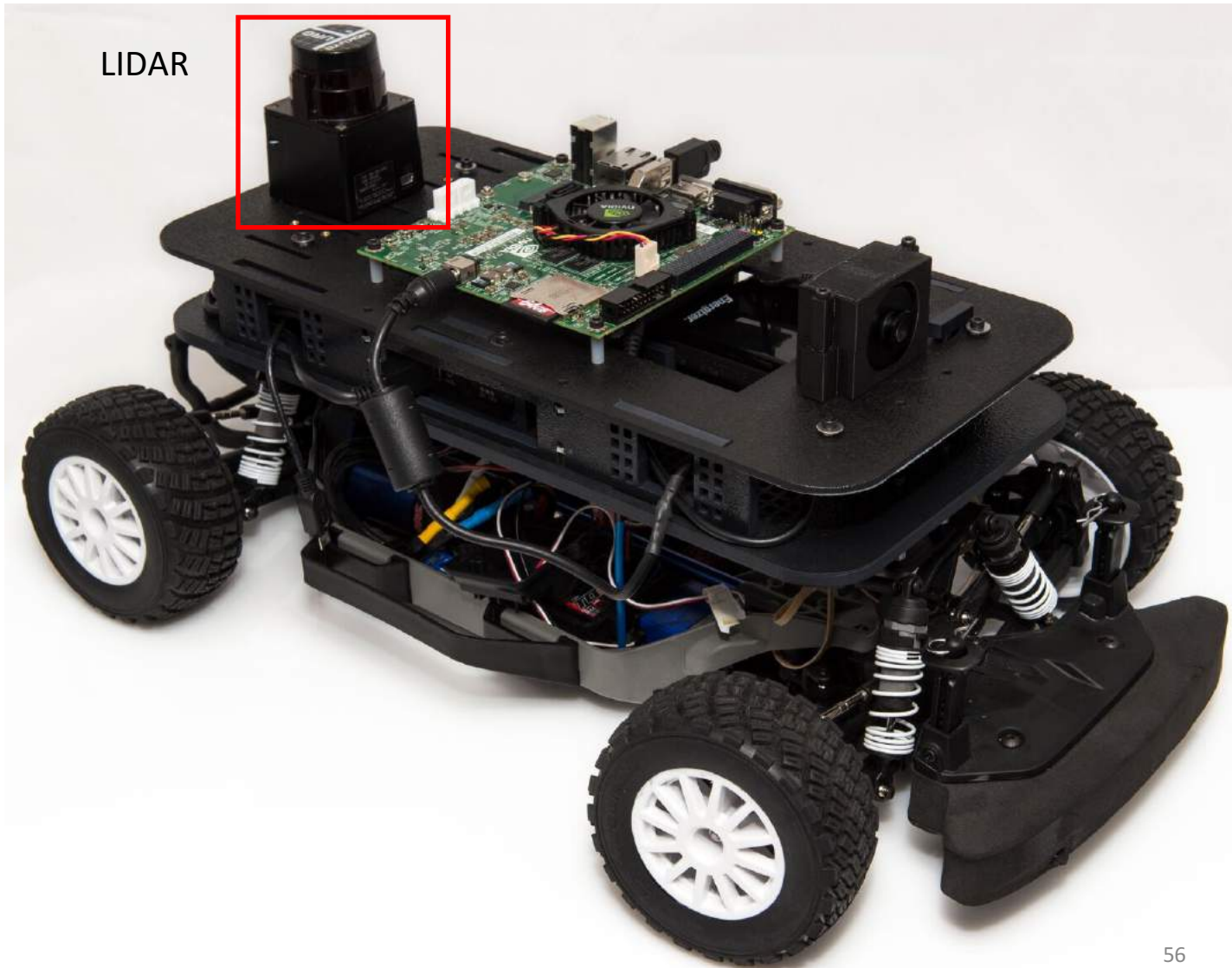
Sensors: specifications, placement and data

LIDAR



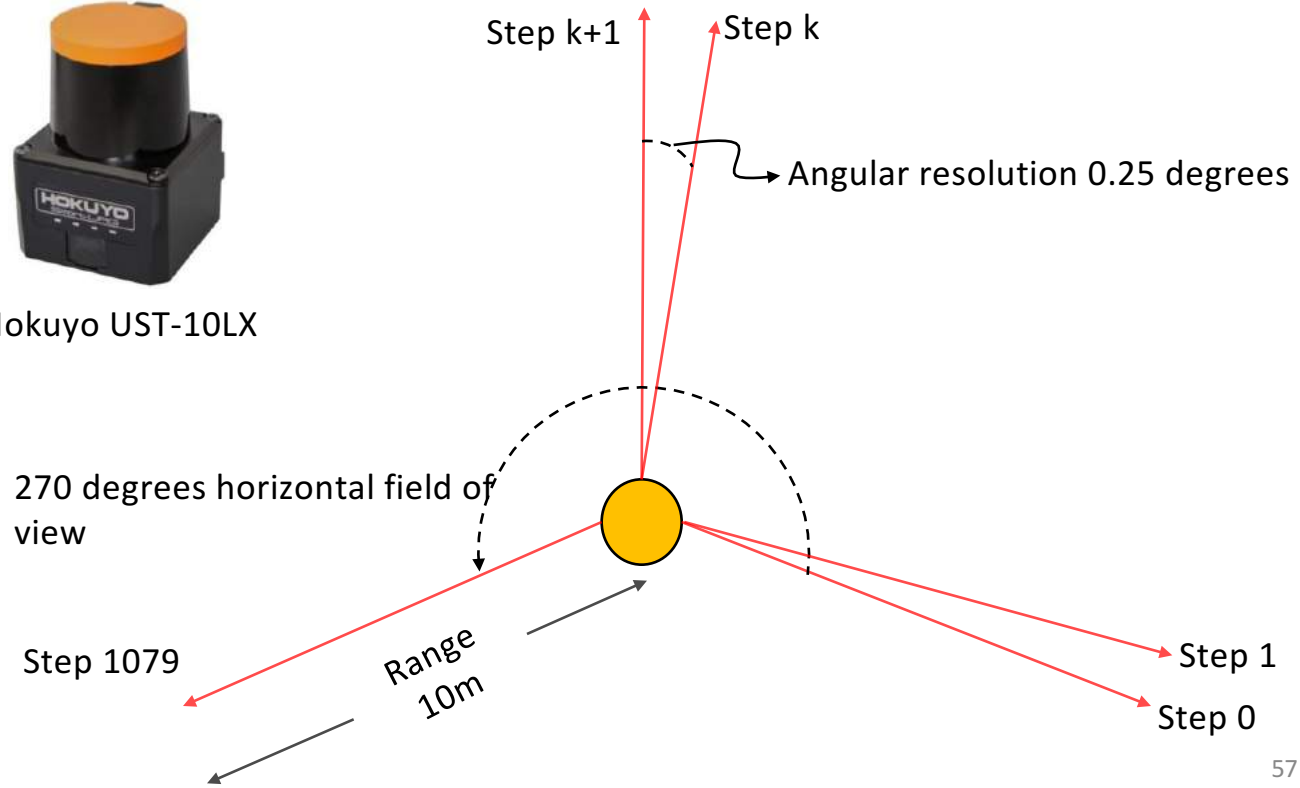
Depth information (how far are objects and obstacles around me)

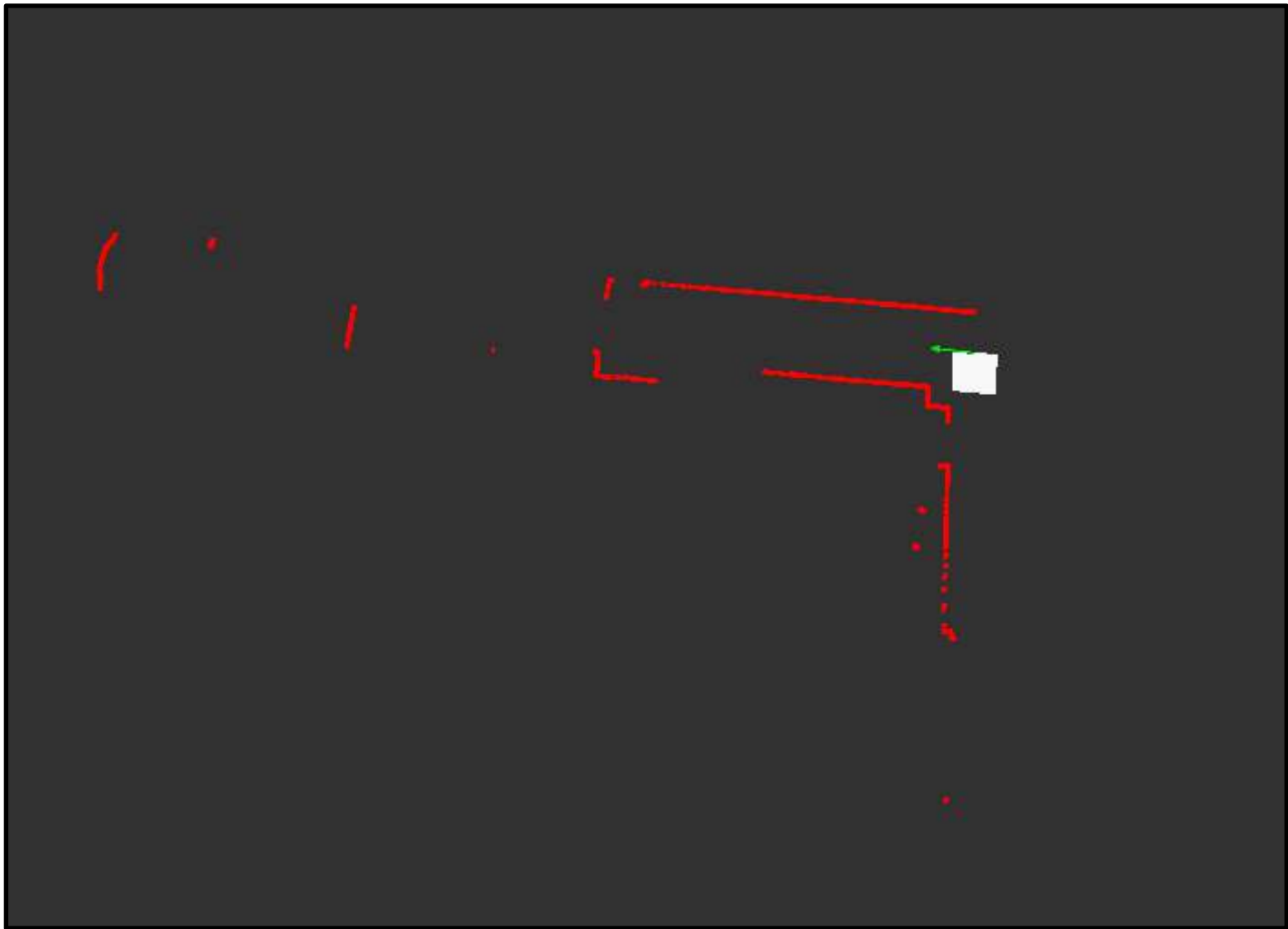
LIDAR





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Localization

Know (where is) thyself:

Scan matching

Left Wall



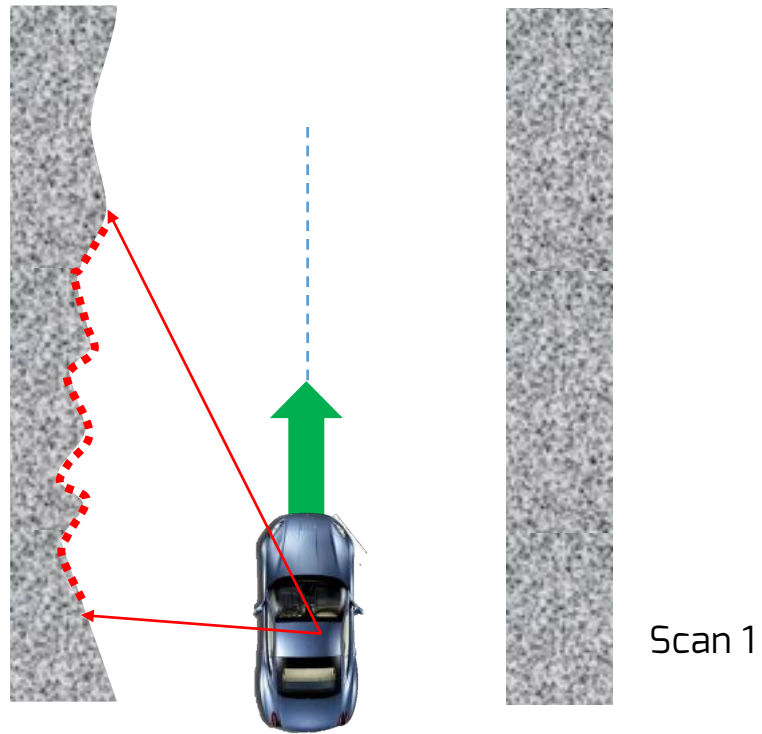
Right Wall



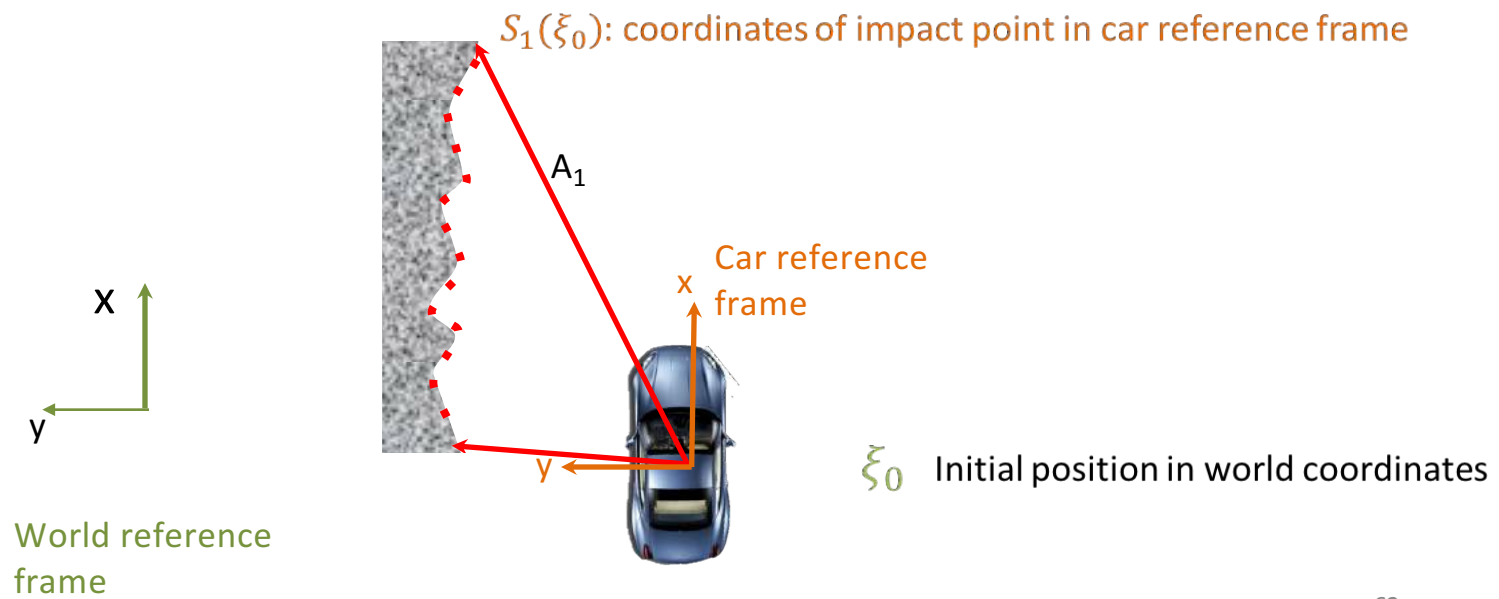
Scan matching

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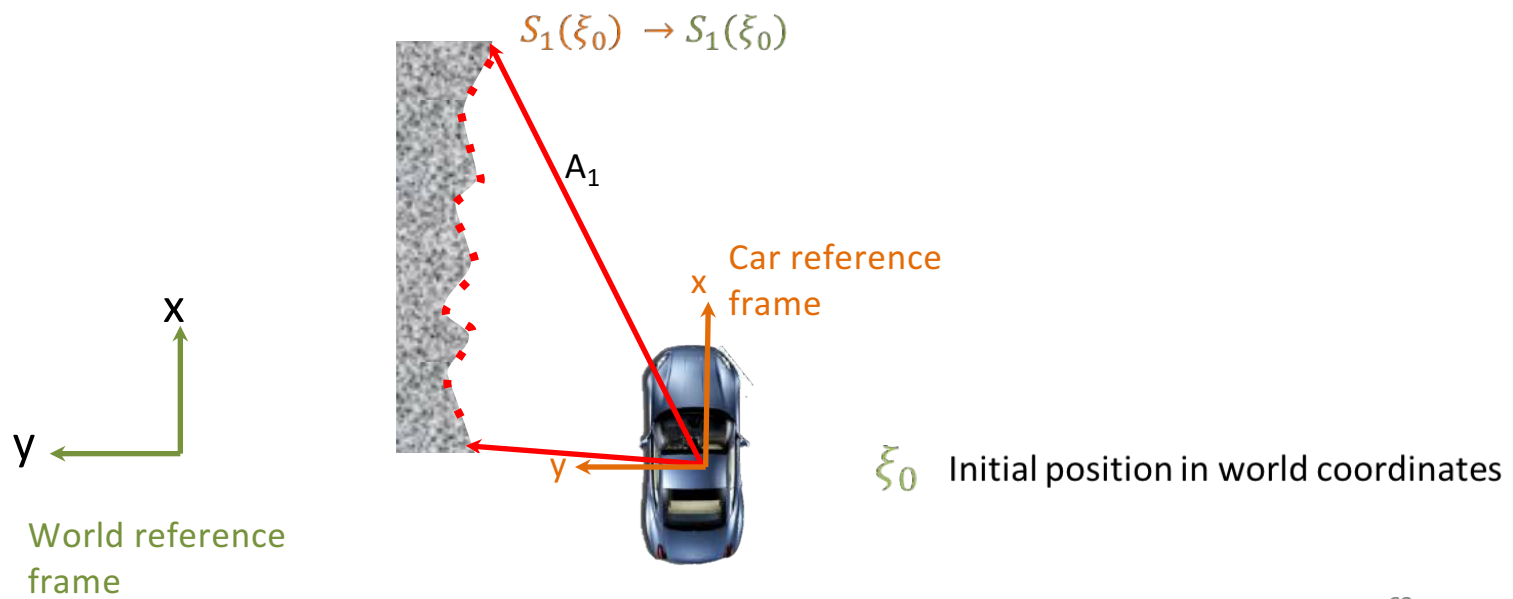
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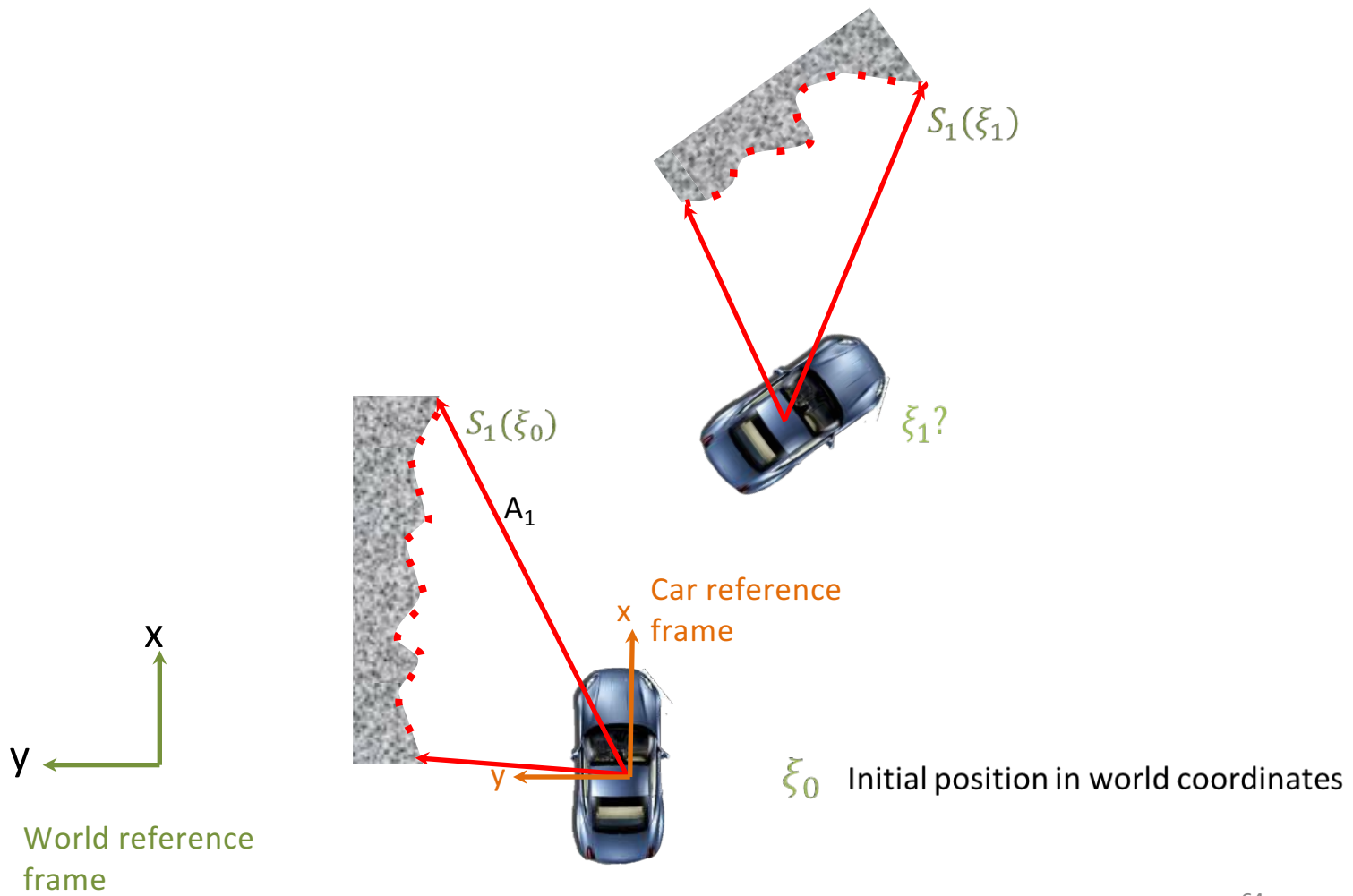


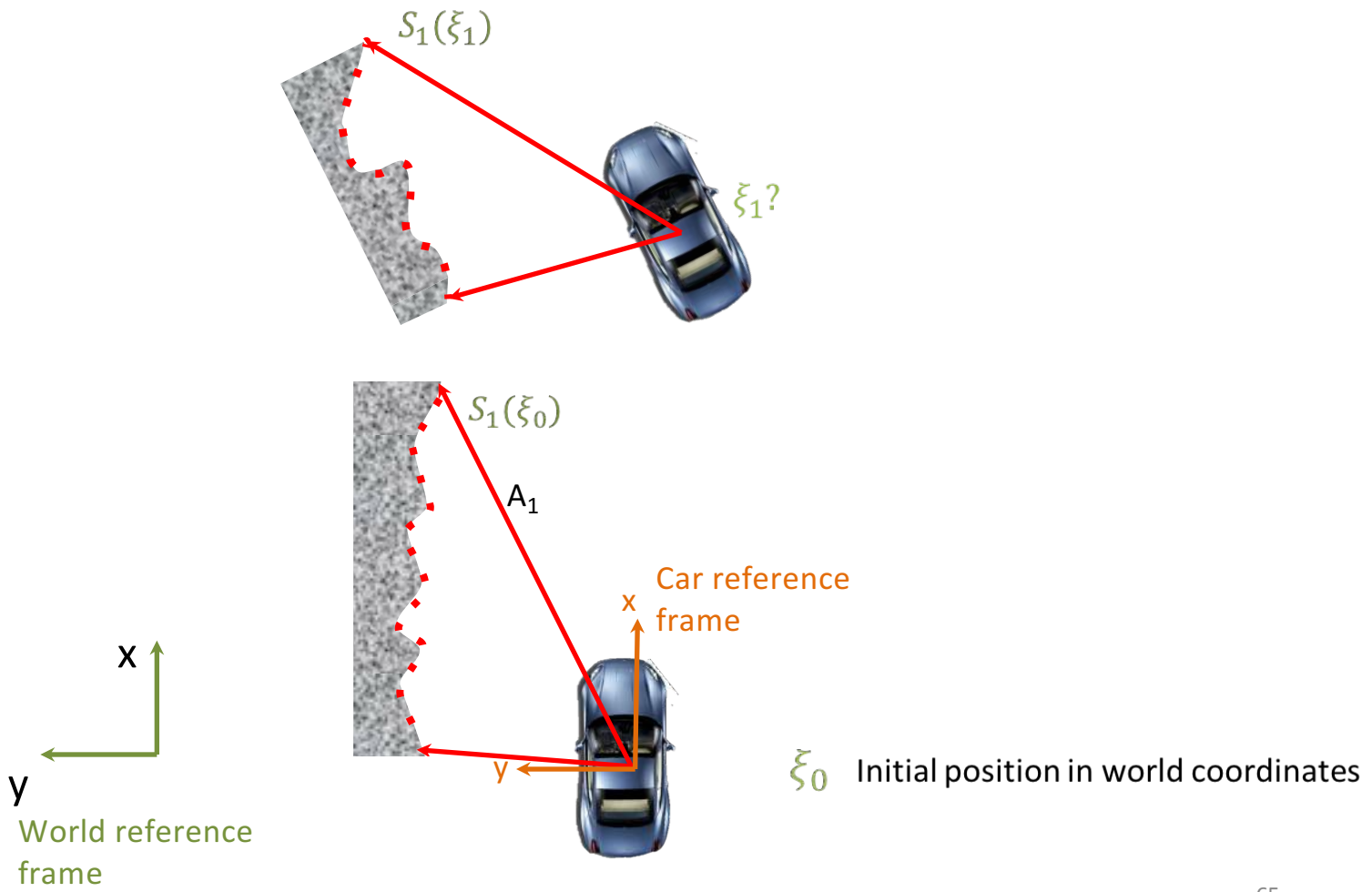
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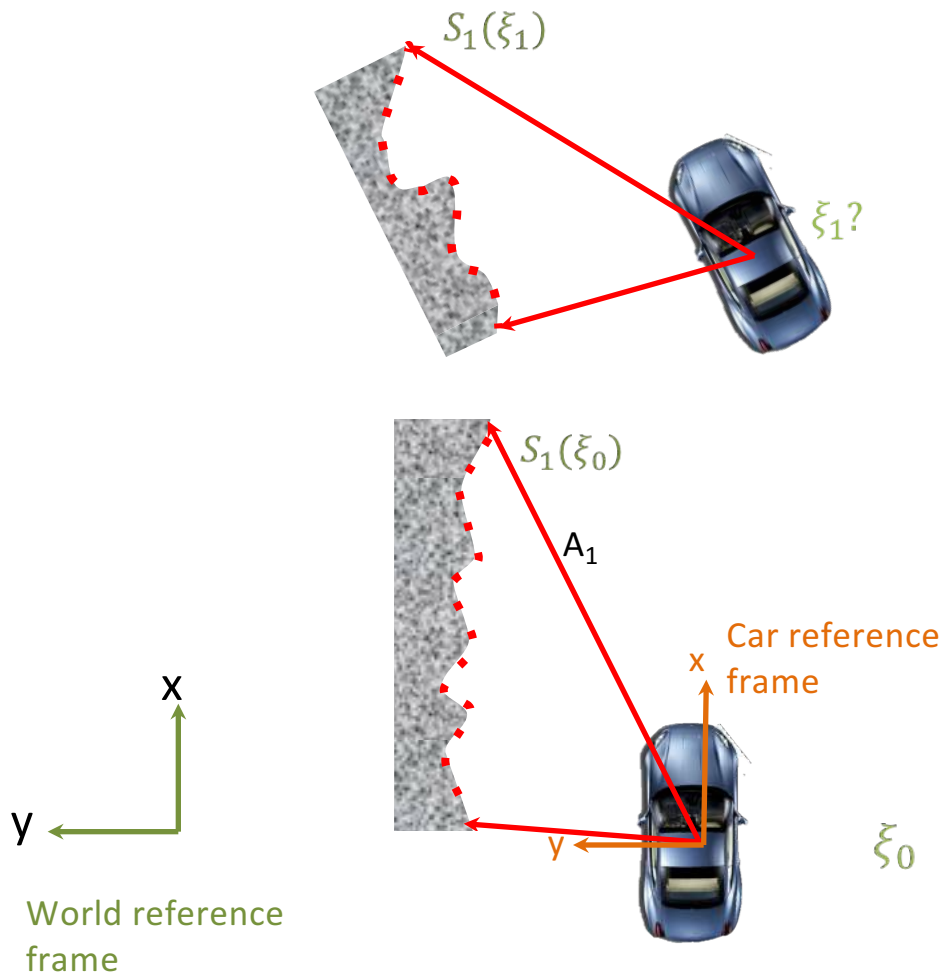


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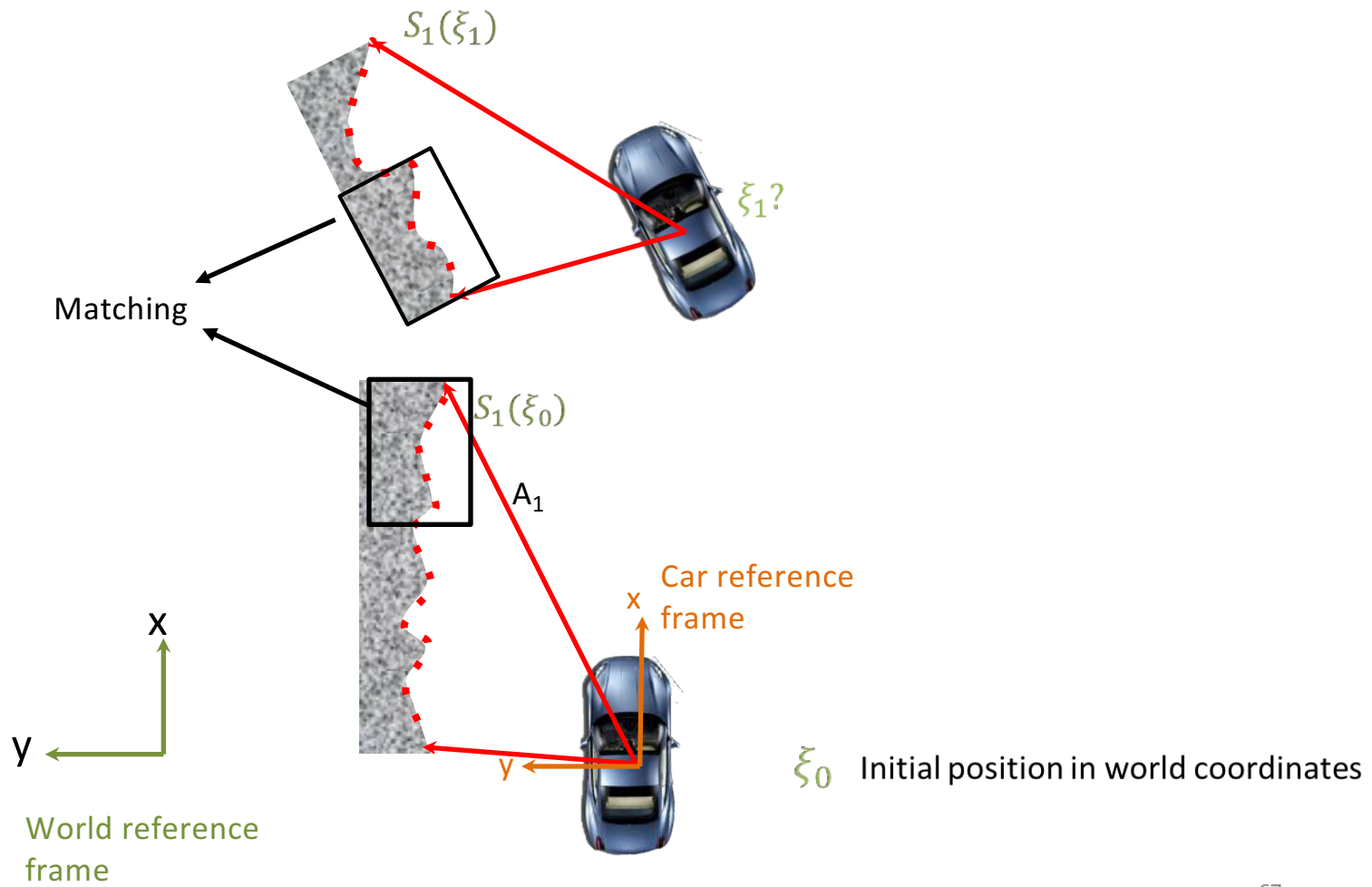


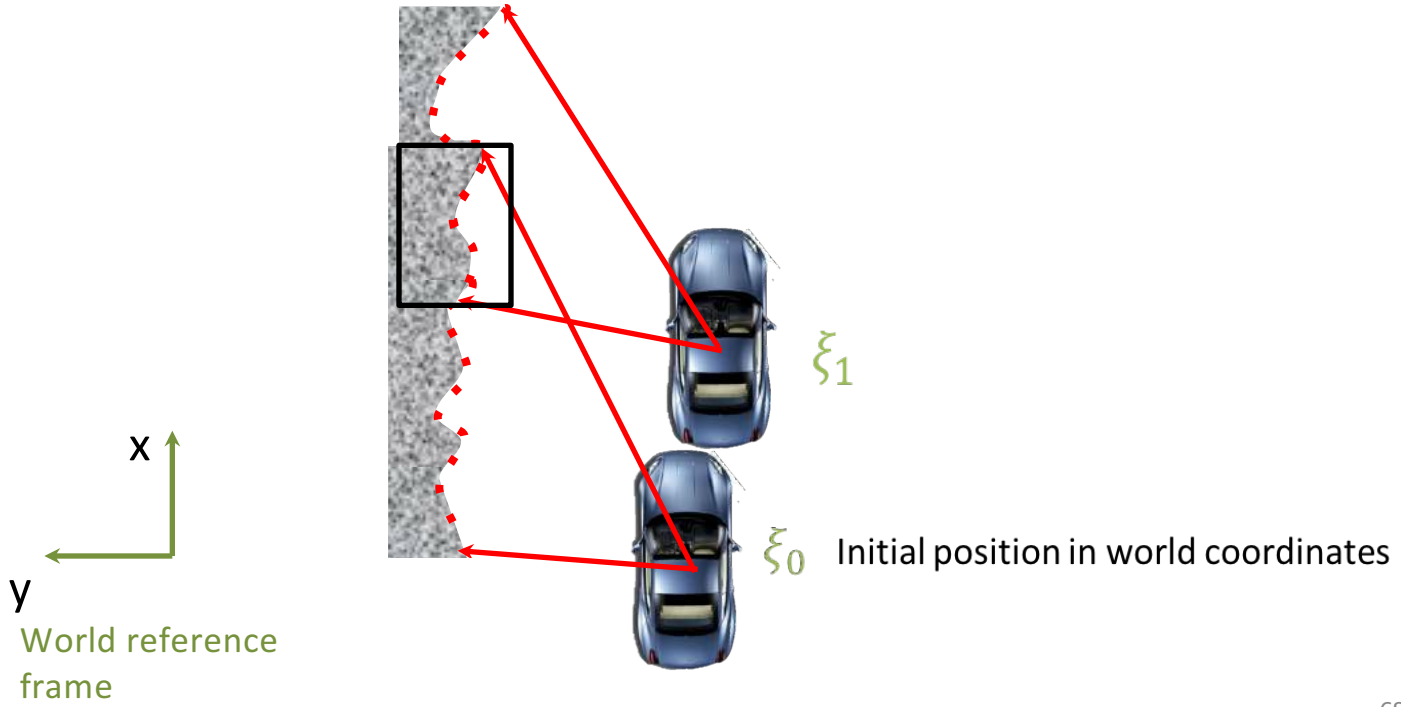




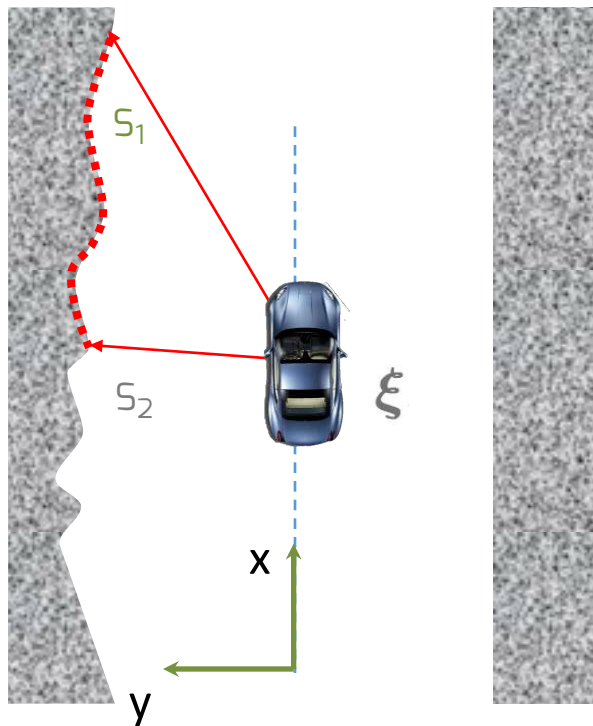


Premise:
 most likely
 car position at
 Scan 2 is the
 position that
 gives best
 overlap
 between the
 two scenes





Scan matching: optimization



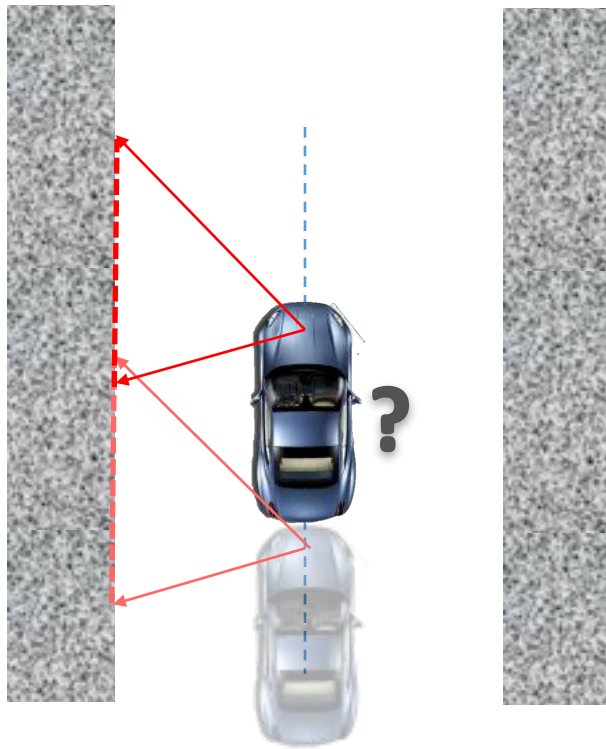
Impact coordinates of i^{th} step in world frame

$$\xi^* = \underset{\xi}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - M(\mathbf{S}_i(\xi))]^2$$

Total of n steps ($n = 1084$)

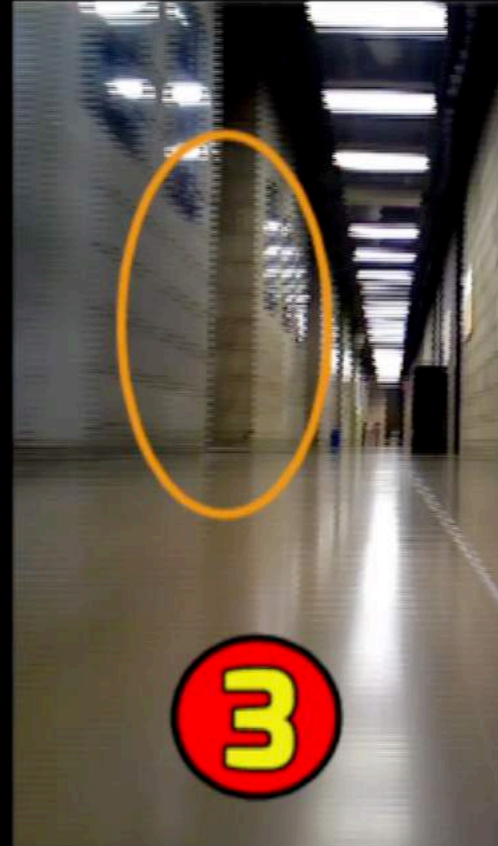
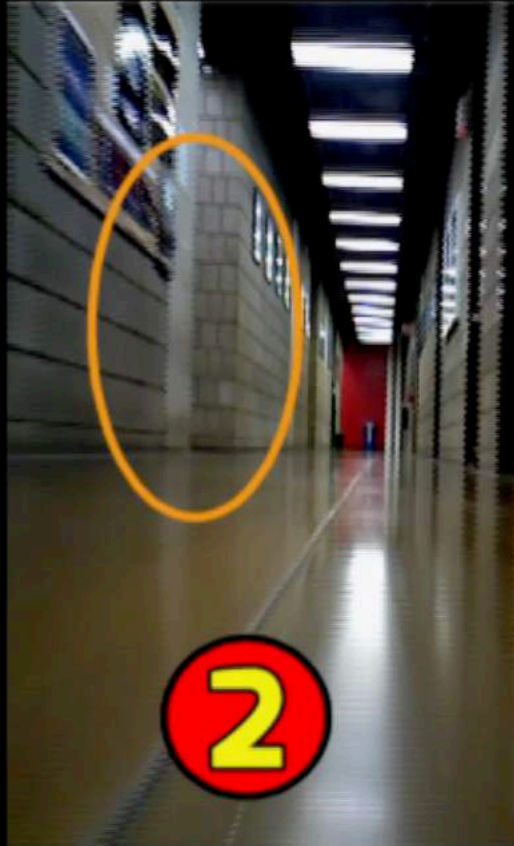
Measure of match

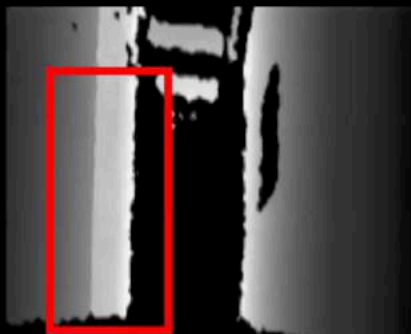
Scan matching : requirements



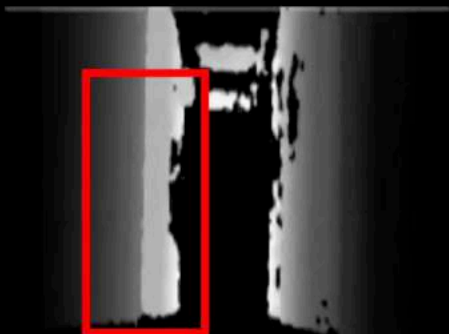
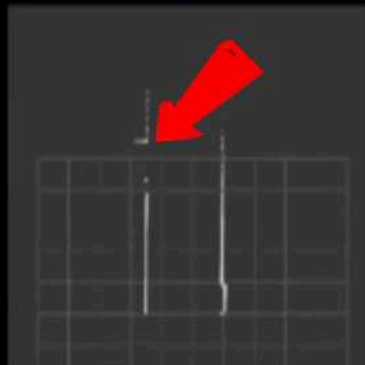
- Non-smooth, or heterogeneous, surfaces.
- Smooth surfaces all look the same to the matching algorithm.

Door or Turn ?

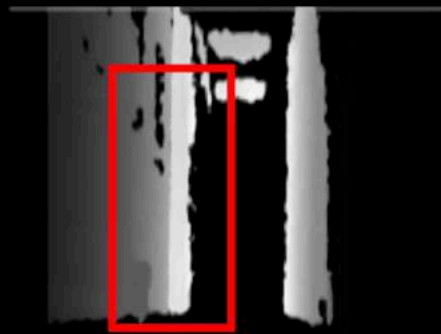
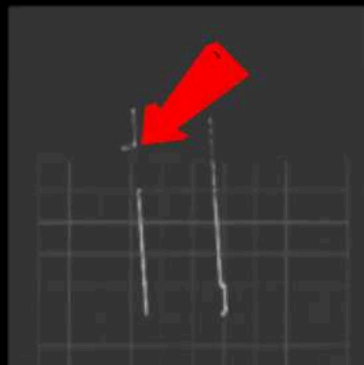




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2



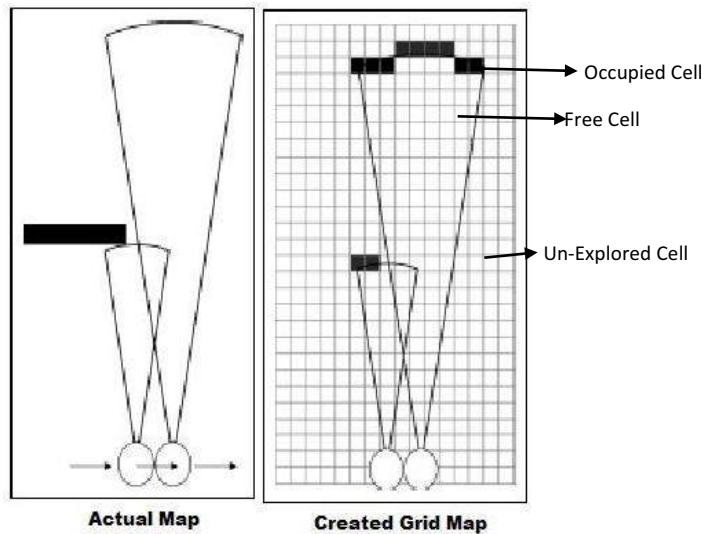
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Mapping

Occupancy Grid Mapping

Measurement Model



- Measurement :

$m_{x,y} = 1$	LiDAR hit
$m_{x,y} = 0$	No occlusion

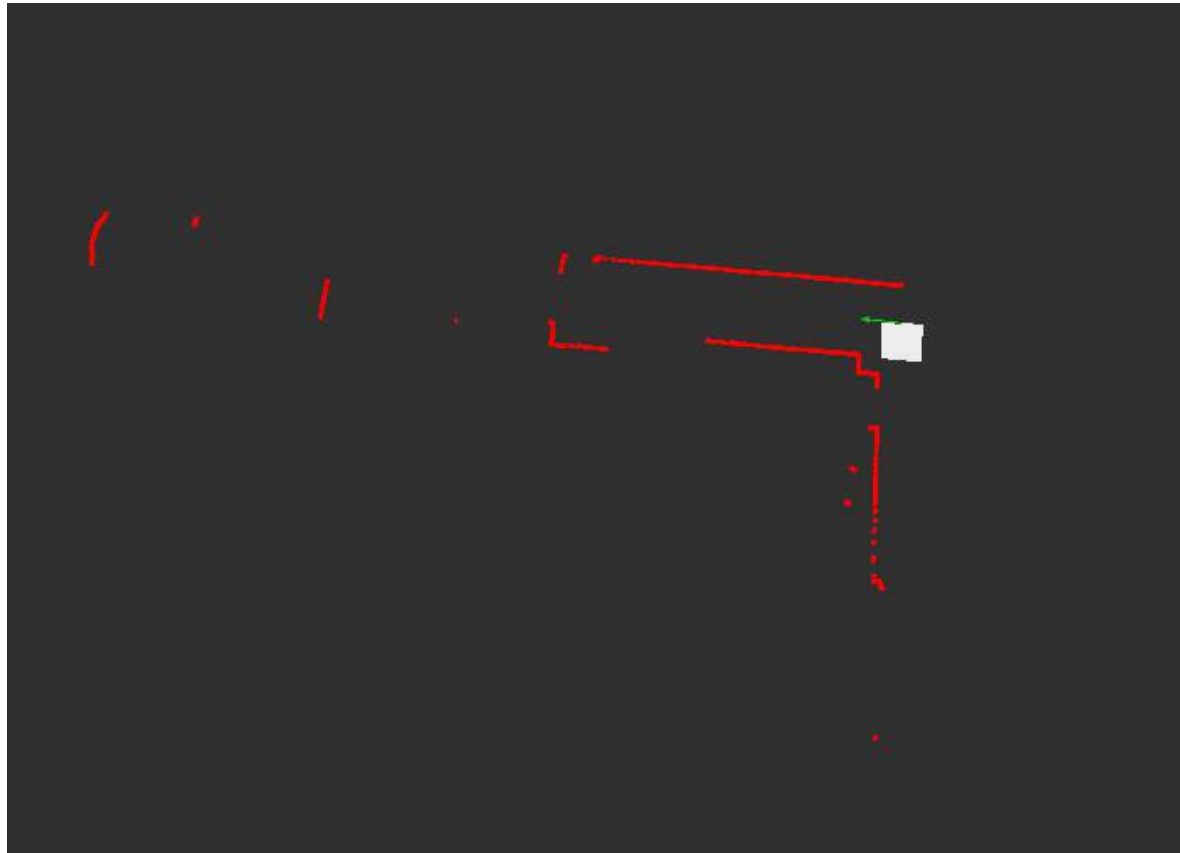
- Map Cell:

$Z = 1$	Occupied
$Z = 0$	UnExplored
$Z = -1$	Free

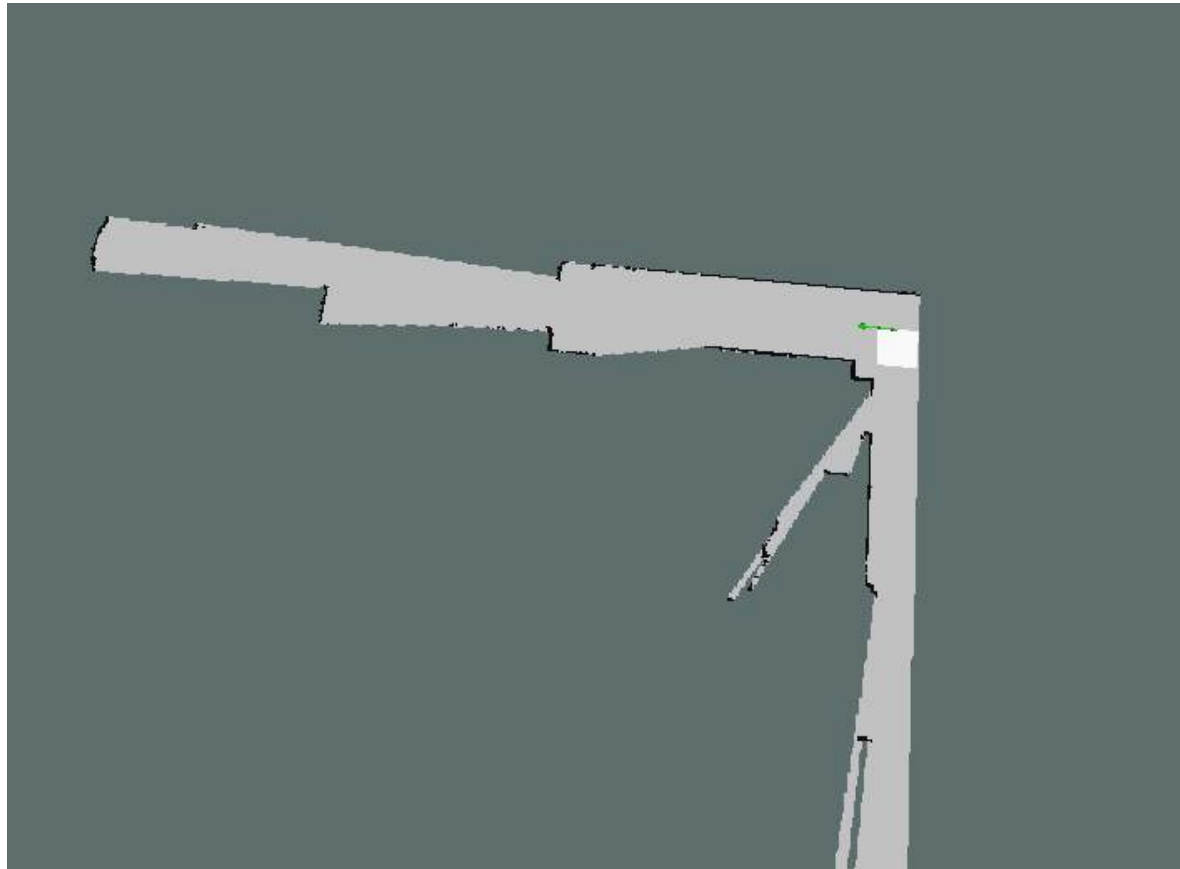
$$p(z|m_{x,y})$$

- Measurement Model :

Registering the first Scan

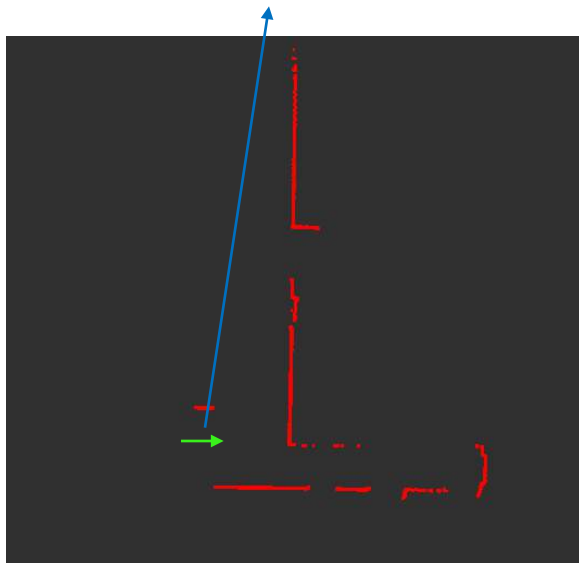


Registering the first Scan



Scan matching

Pose of the Car at $t = t_1$



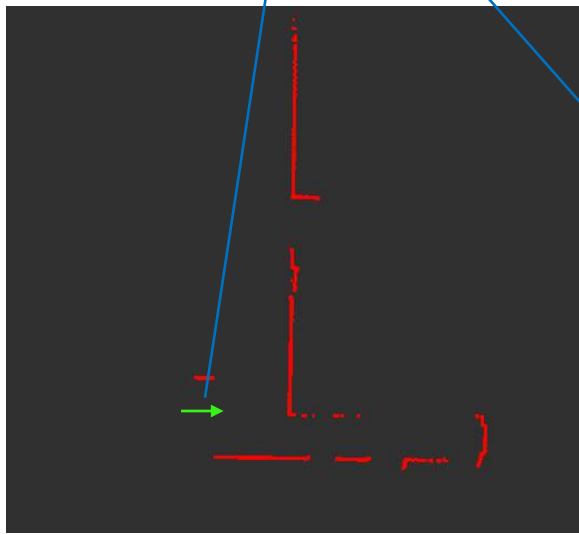
Laser Scans w.r.t car at Time $t = t_1$



Laser Scans w.r.t car at Time $t = t_2$

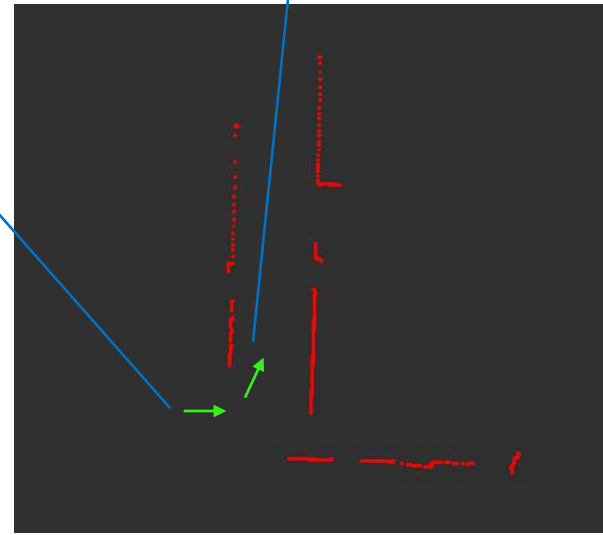
Scan matching

Pose of the Car at $t = t_1$



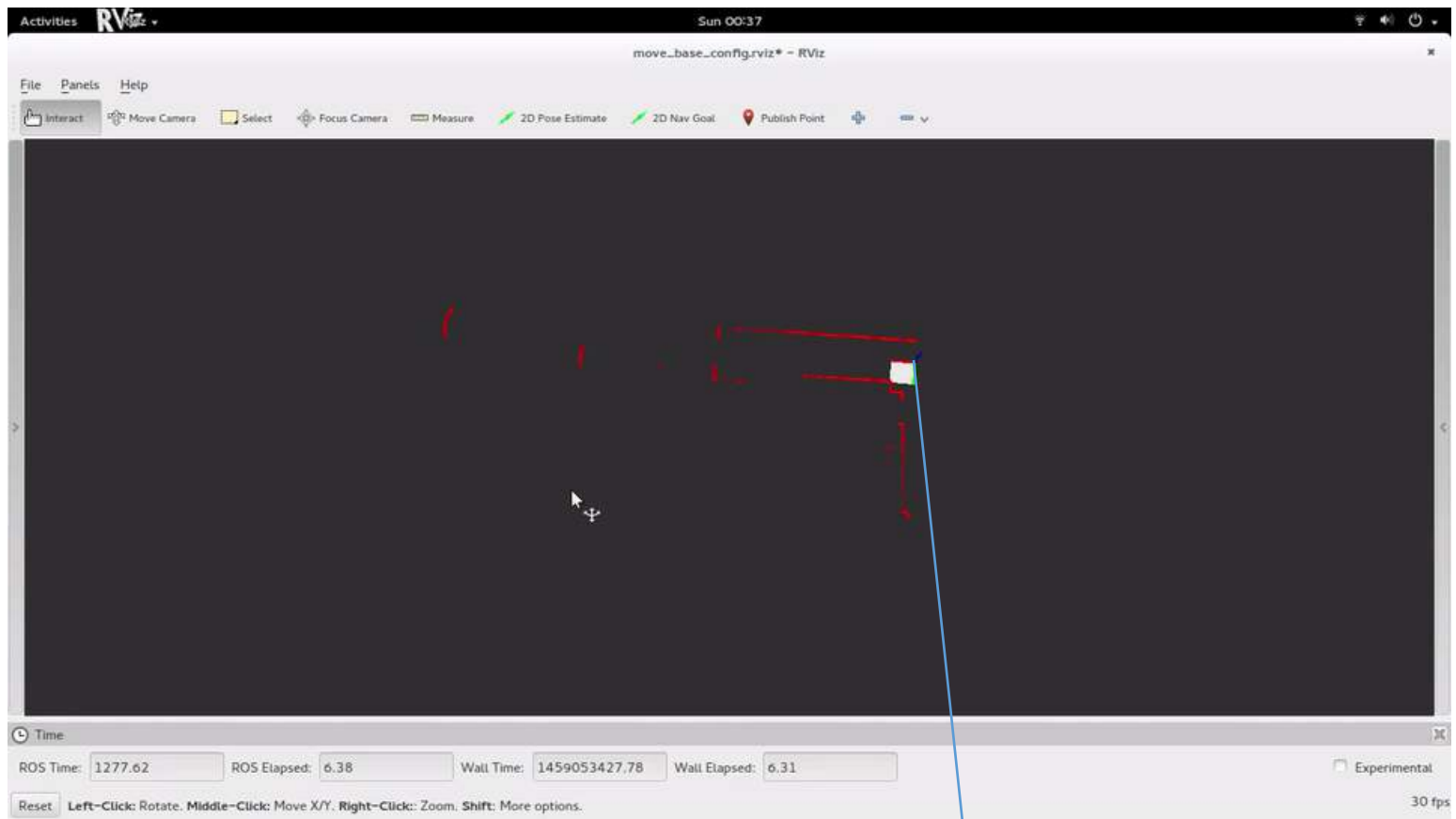
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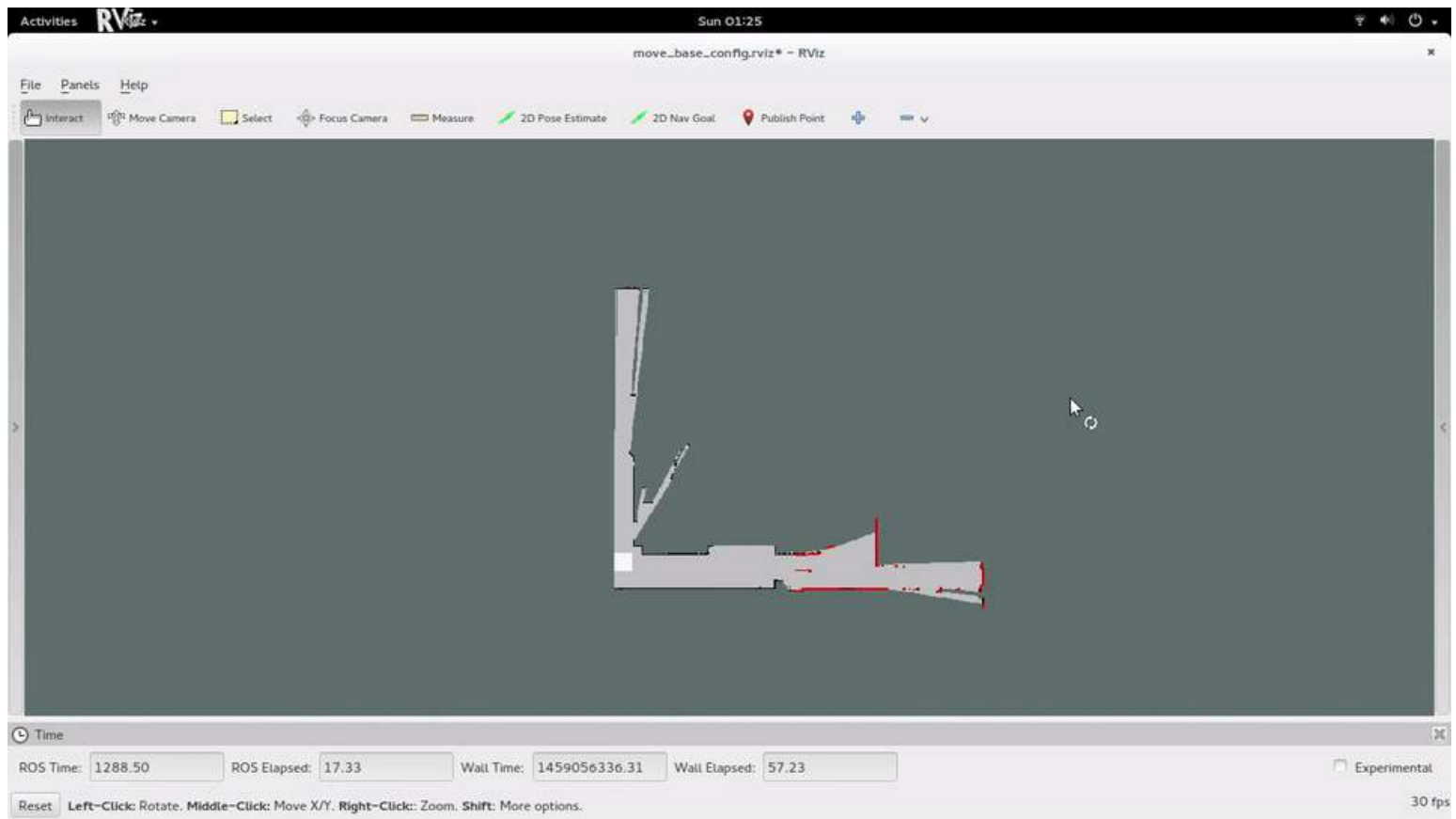
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Raw LiDAR Scans

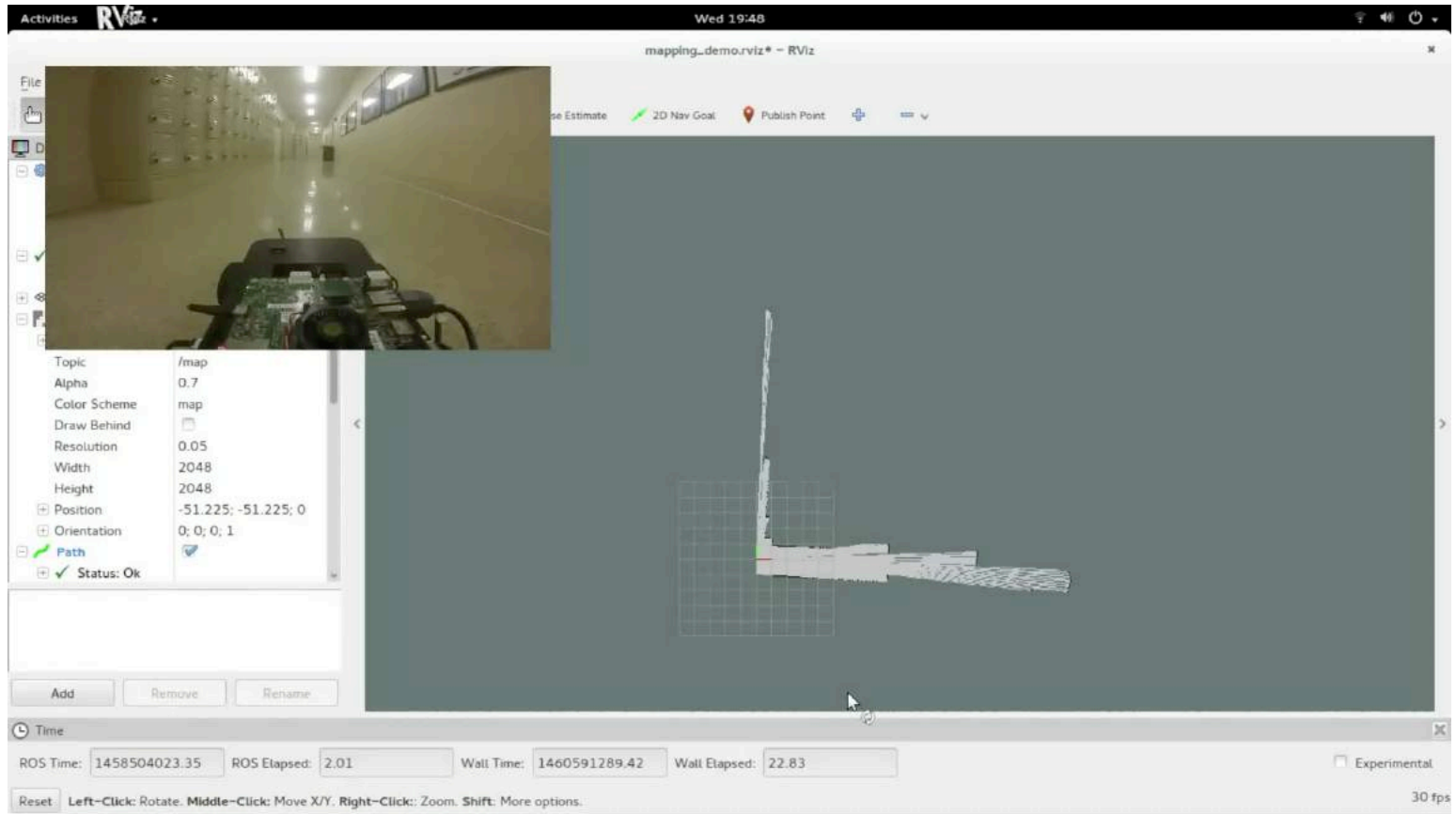


Baseframe Axes

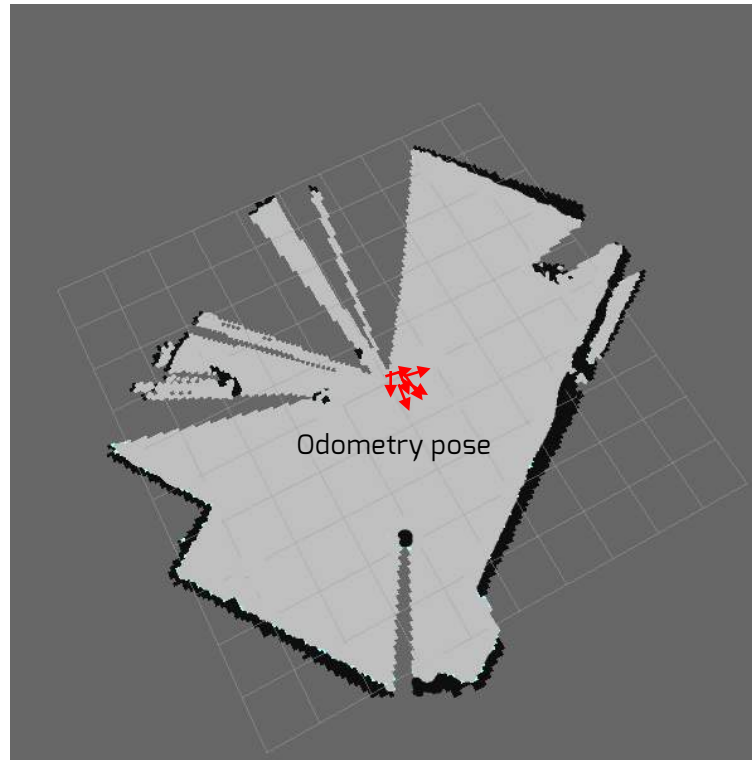
Map Update



Hector SLAM



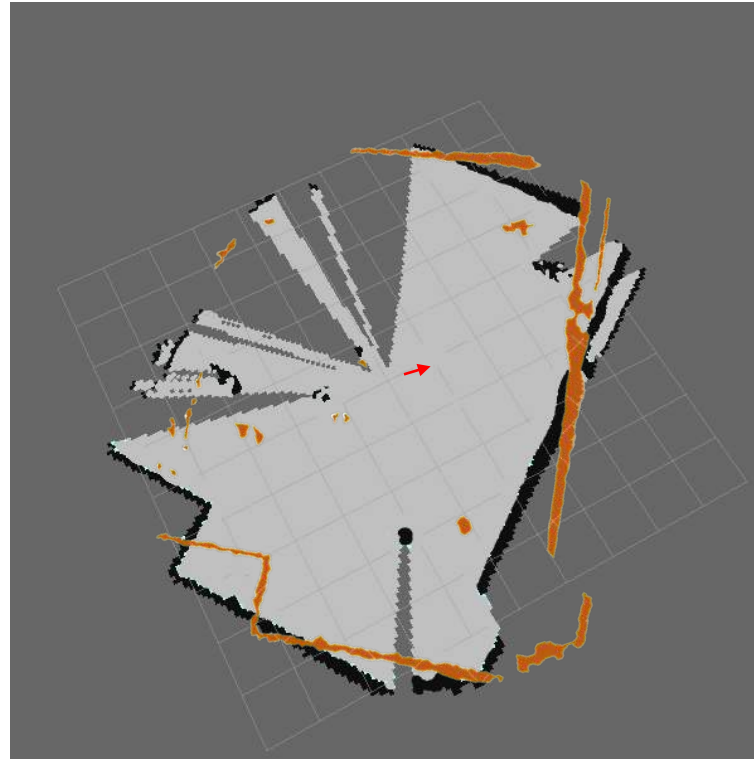
Particle Filter in 2D: Localization



Scan Correlation

$$W = \frac{\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})(B_{mn} - \bar{B})}{\sqrt{(\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})^2)(\sum_m \sum_n (B_{mn} - \bar{B})^2)}}$$

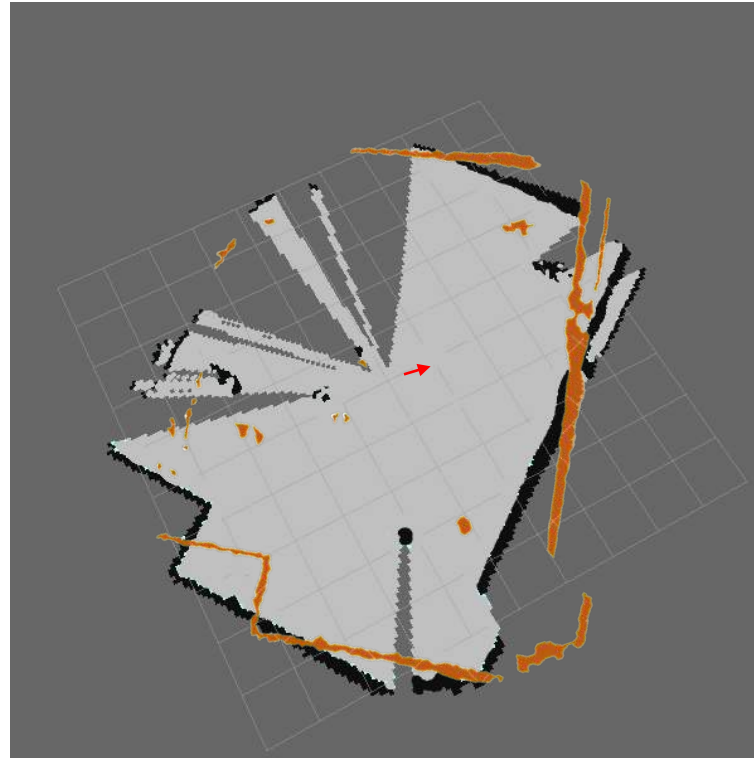
Particle Weight



Scan Correlation

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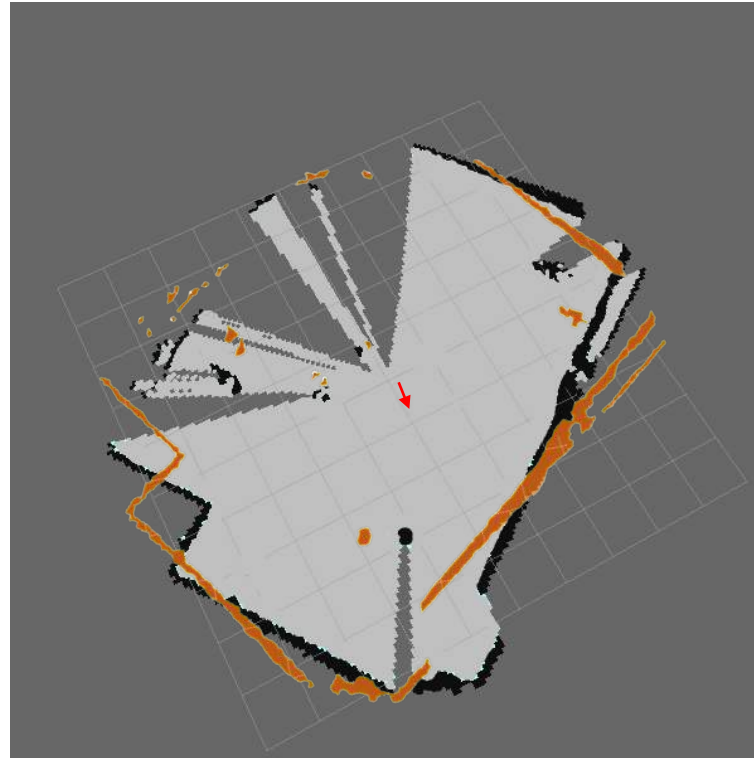
Particle	Weight
Particle 1	W_1



Scan Correlation

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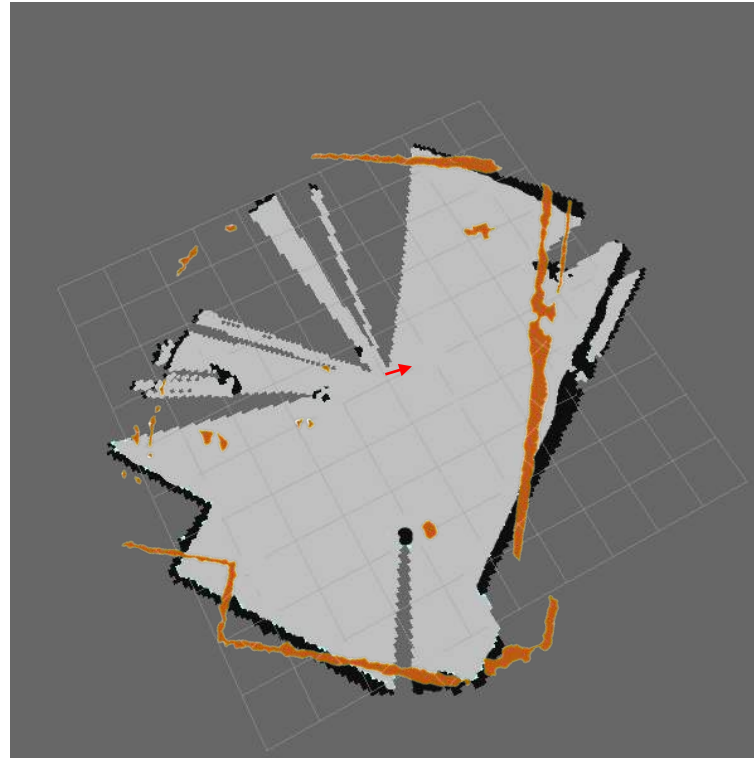
Particle	Weight
Particle 1	W_1
Particle 2	W_2



Scan Correlation

$$W = \frac{\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})(B_{mn} - \bar{B})}{\sqrt{(\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})^2)(\sum_m \sum_n (B_{mn} - \bar{B})^2)}}$$

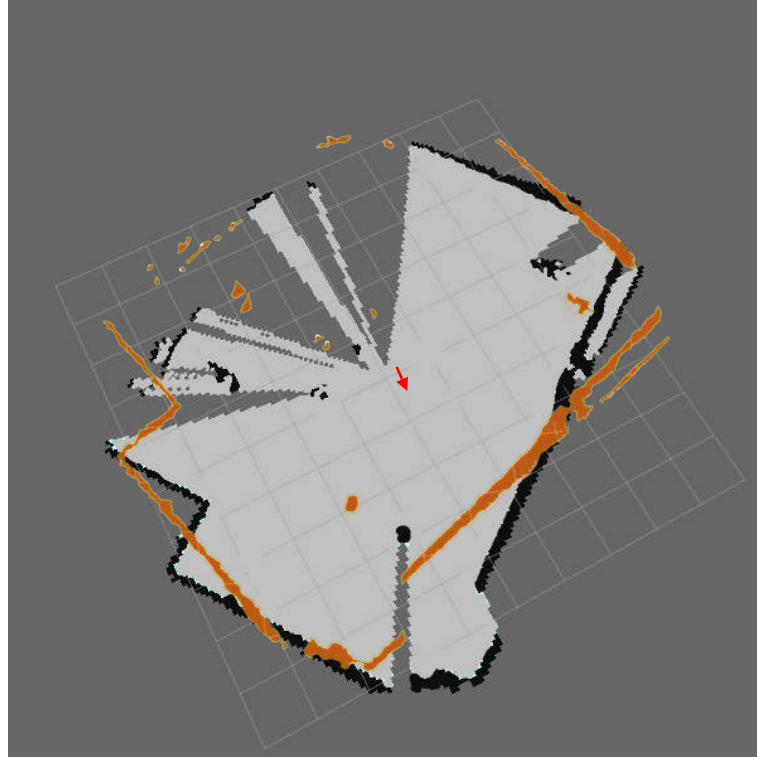
Particle	Weight
Particle 1	W_1
Particle 2	W_2
Particle 3	W_3



Scan Correlation

$$W = \frac{\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})(B_{mn} - \bar{B})}{\sqrt{(\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})^2)(\sum_m \sum_n (B_{mn} - \bar{B})^2)}}$$

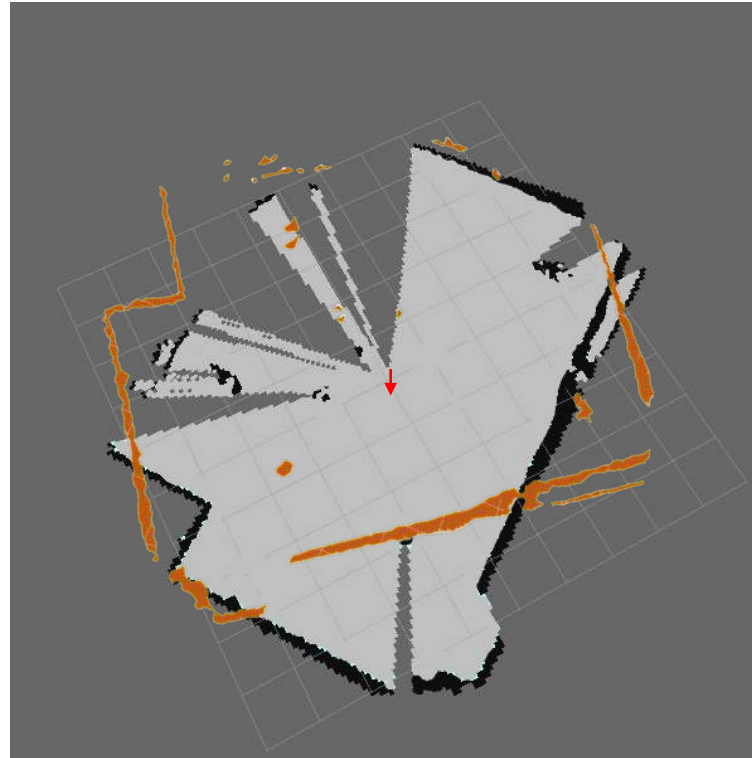
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Particle 1	W_1
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Particle 3	W_3
Particle 4	W_4



Scan Correlation

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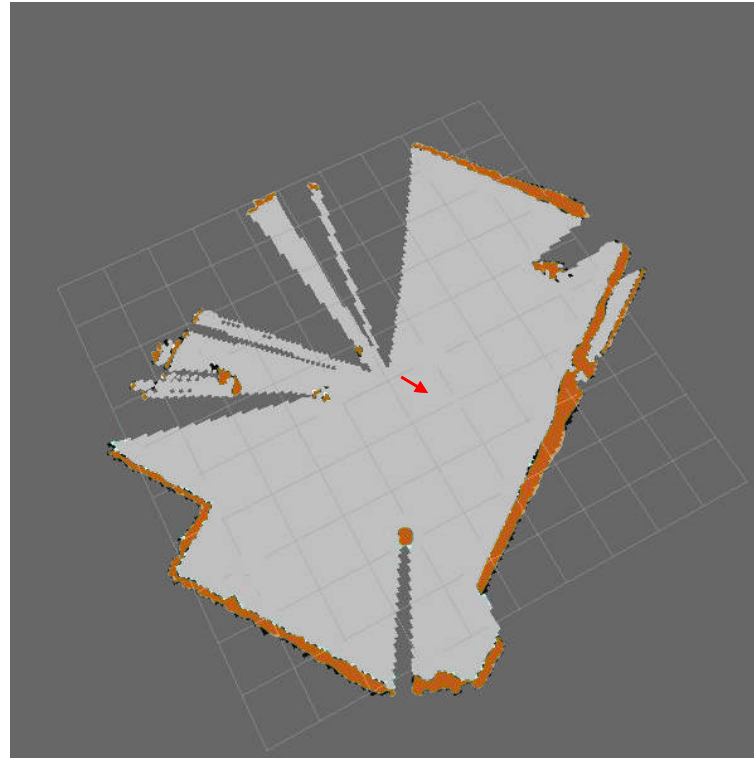
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Particle 4	W_4
Particle 5	W_5



Scan Correlation

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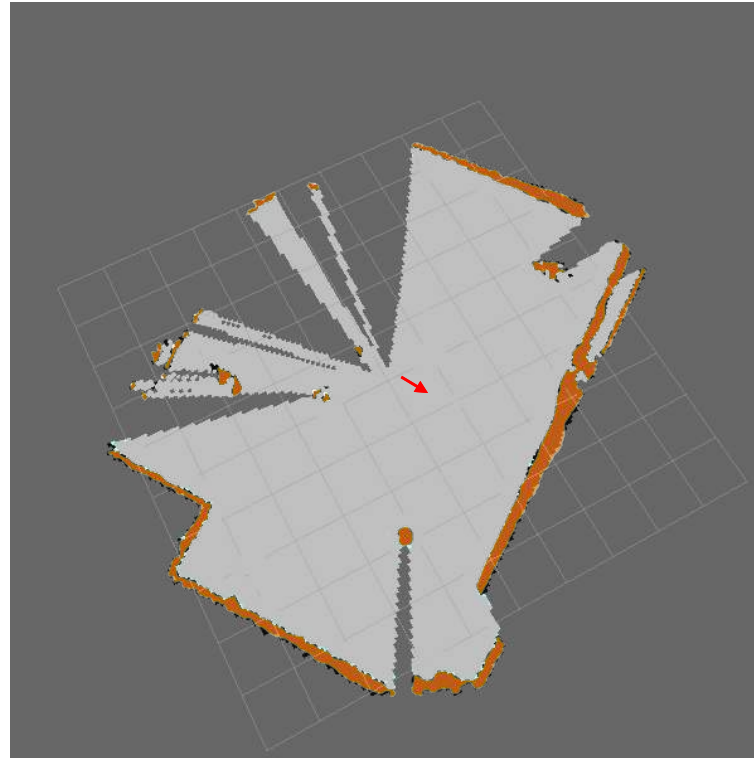
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Particle 6	W_6



Scan Correlation

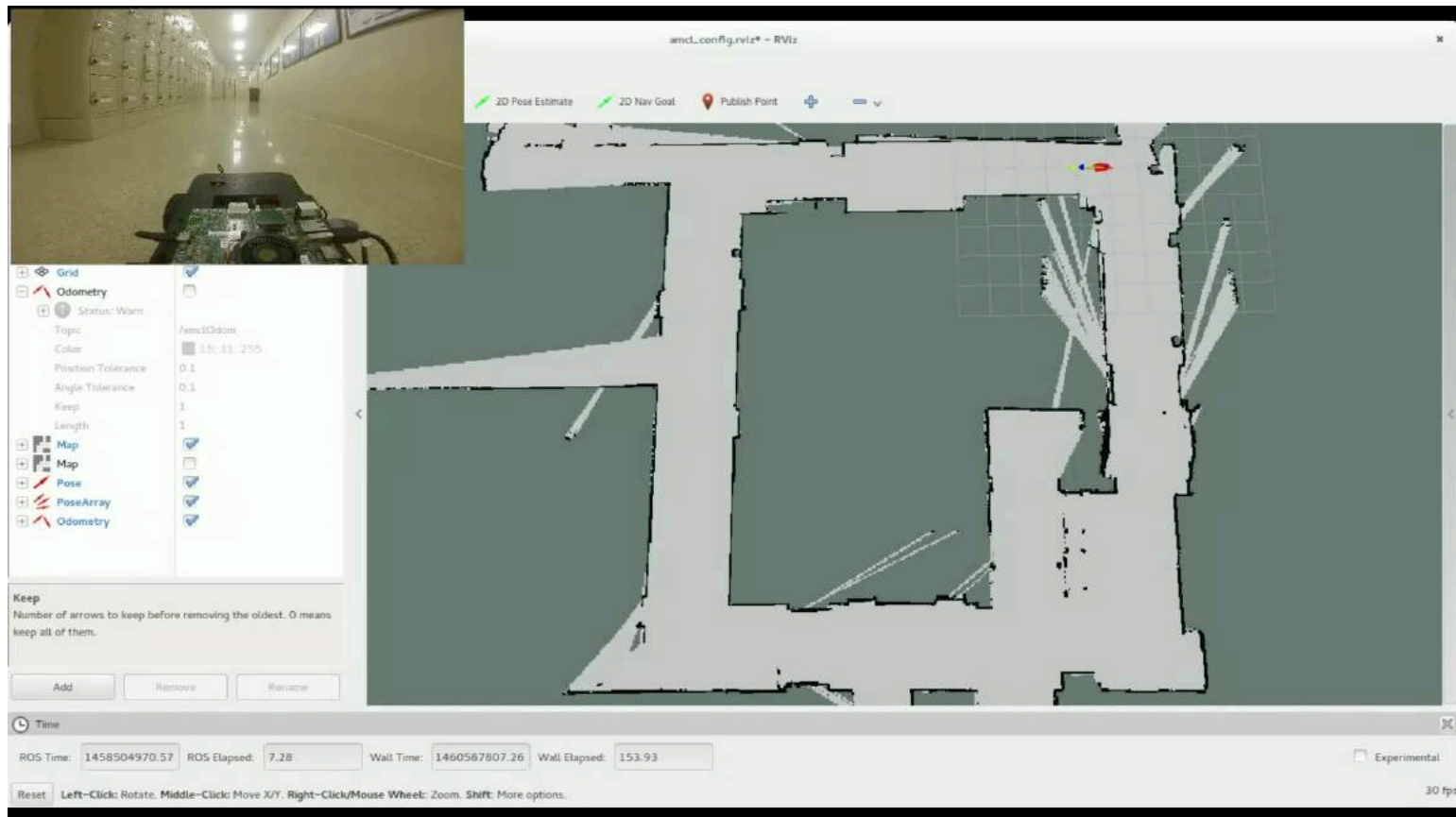
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Particle	Weight
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Particle 3	W_3
Particle 4	W_4
Particle 5	W_5
Particle 6	W_6



$$W_t \leftarrow W_{t-1} \times W_t$$

AMCL- Adaptive Monte Carlo Localization



Control

Proportional, Integral, **D**erivative control

PID control: tuning the gains

- Default set of gains, determined empirically to work well for this car.
 - $K_p = 14$
 - $K_i = 0$
 - $K_d = 0.09$

Nominal gains



PID control: tuning the gains

- Reduce $K_p \rightarrow$ less responsive to error magnitude
 - $K_p = 5$
 - $K_i = 0$
 - $K_d = 0.09$

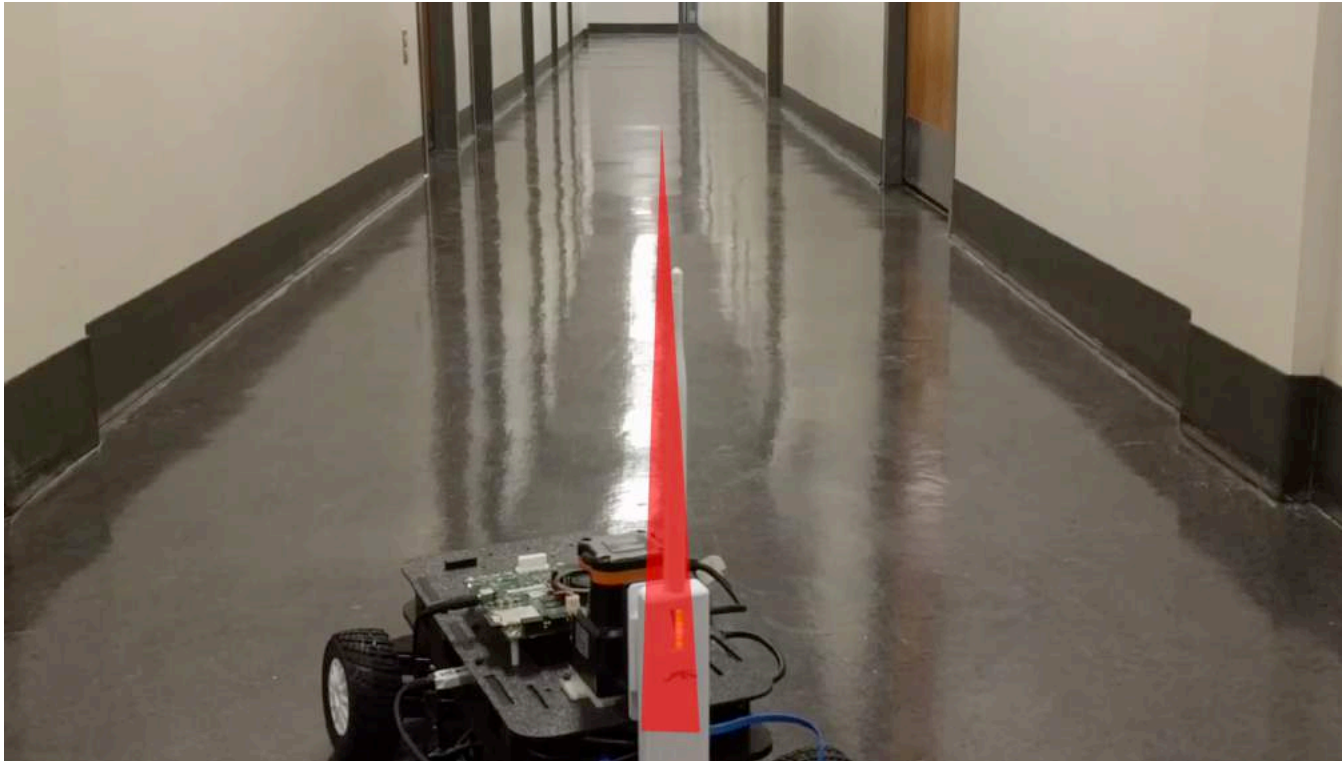
Smaller K_p



PID control: tuning the gains

- Include K_i → overly sensitive to accumulating error → over-correction
 - $K_p = 14$
 - $K_i = 2$
 - $K_d = 0.09$

Add integral control



Race

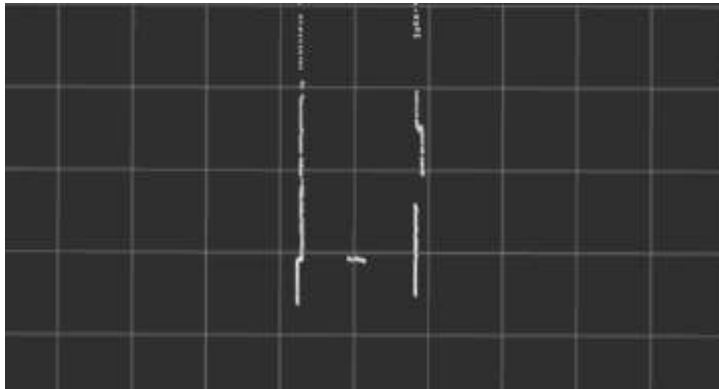
Putting it all together..



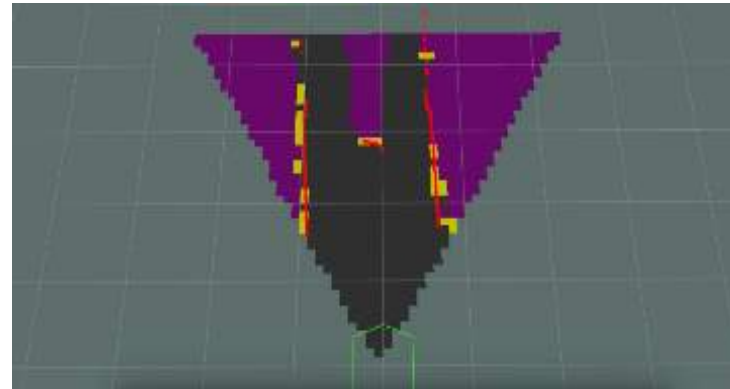
RGB Image used to ID dynamic obstacles



Depth image provides 3D pointcloud



Laser scan 3D point cloud to 2D plane



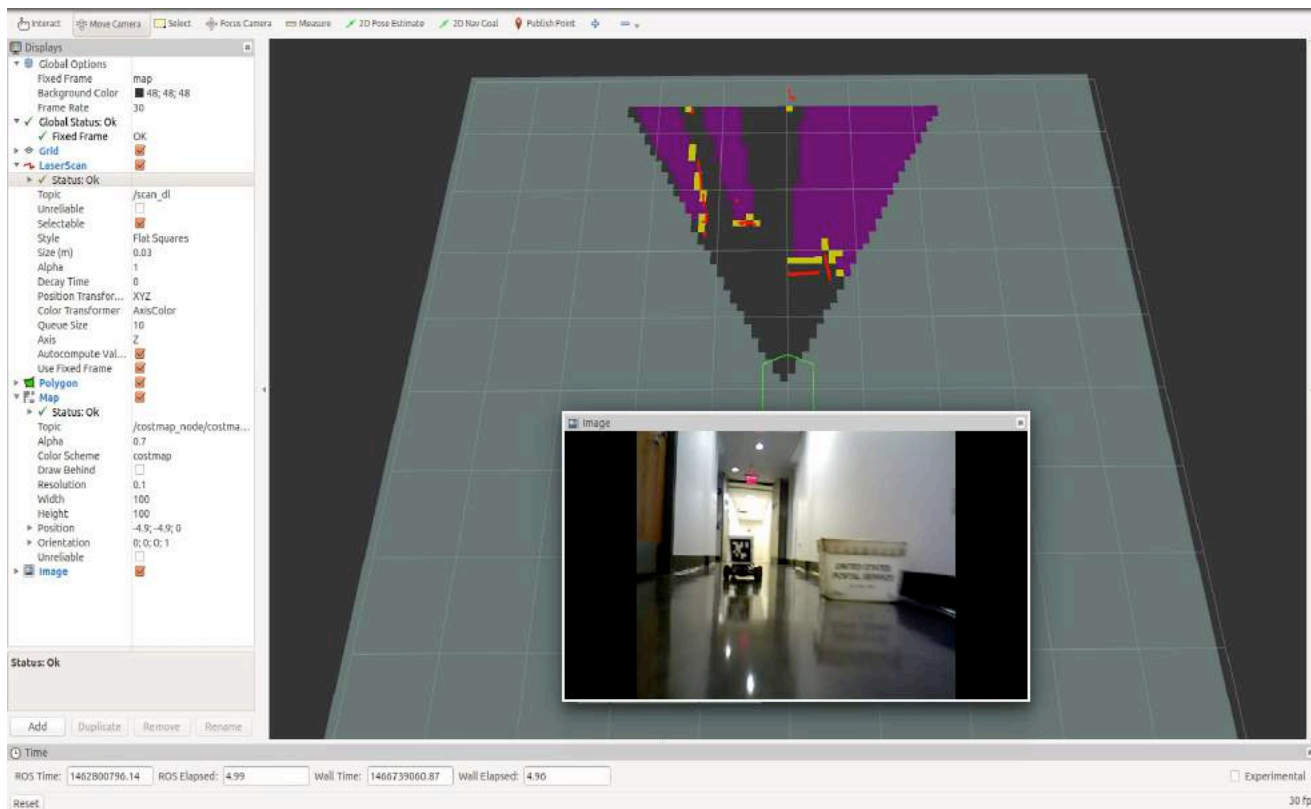
Virtual scan free space, obstacles, and occlusions

Putting it all together..

Estimate the position, orientation, and velocity of other racers?

Local trajectory Planner ?

Overtaking ?



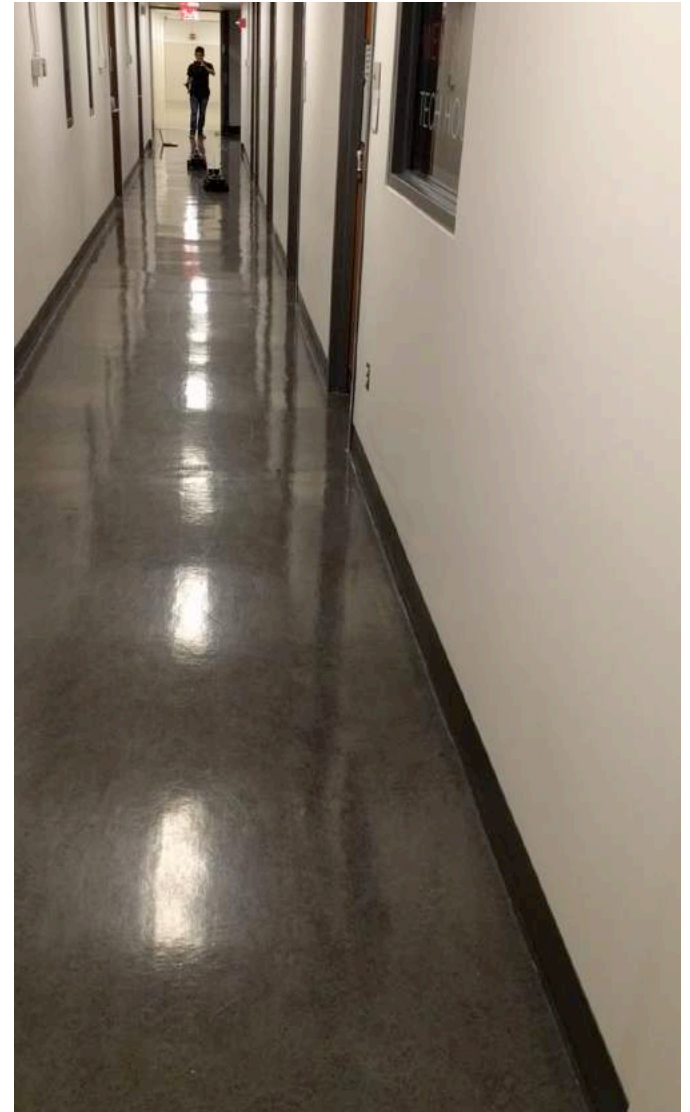
F1/10 Challenges

- **Project Insanity:** Testing the limits of racing control.
- **Optimal racing line** determination.
- **Overtaking** strategies and algorithms.

Overtaking Algorithms ?



Overtaking Algorithms ?



The F1/10 Racing Crew



Paril Jain



Nischal KN



Paritosh Kelkar



Matt Brady



Matthew Kelly



Jake Scherlis



You !!



Carter Sharer



Phil Hu



Houssam Abbas



Madhur Behl



Rahul Mangharam

f1tenth.org

The image shows a screenshot of the f1tenth.org website. At the top, there is a black navigation bar with the F1/10 logo on the left, followed by the text "BUILD / DRIVE / RACE". To the right of this are links for "About", "Rules", "Forum", "Crew", and "Sponsor". A "Sign Up" button is highlighted with a red circle. Below the navigation bar is a large blue banner with the "F1/10" logo in black, red, and blue. Underneath the logo, it says "Autonomous Racing Competition" and "1/10th the size. 10 times the fun!". A grey button labeled "Start Your Engines!" is centered below the text. At the bottom of the banner, there is a section for email updates, which is also circled in red. It includes the text "Stay in the loop with email updates!", a text input field with the placeholder "email address", and a "Subscribe" button.

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Live demo !
Outside Wu & Chen Auditorium to follow