

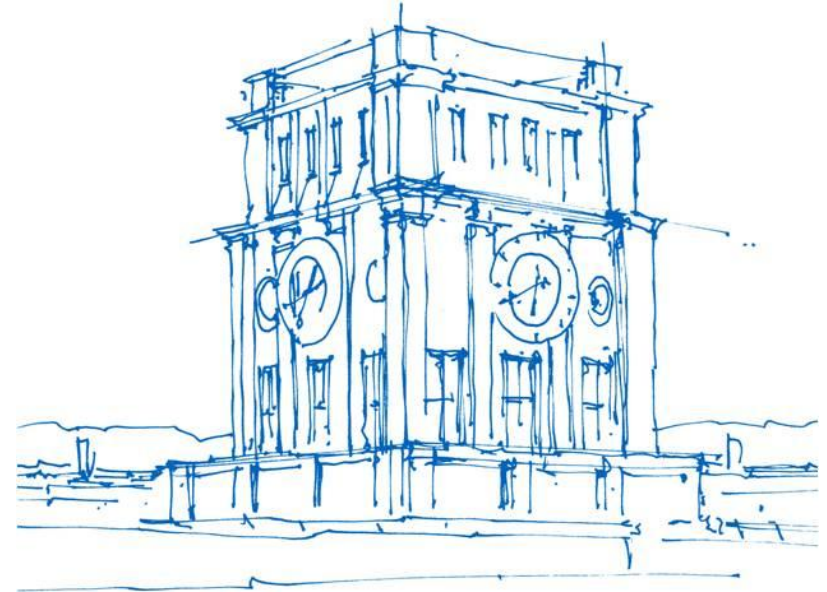
# Multi-Modal Perception for Mobile Robotics

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# Outline

- General Information
  - About the seminar
  - Registration
- Topics
- Questions

# How is the seminar organized?

- **Slides / Material:** seminar webpage
  - [https://mlr.in.tum.de/teaching/w22/seminar\\_mmpmr](https://mlr.in.tum.de/teaching/w22/seminar_mmpmr)
  - Password: mmpmr\_w22 – Material page will go online soon
- **Questions / Meeting arrangement:** contact organizers
  - [mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de](mailto:mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de)

# How is the seminar organized?

- Seminar meetings: talks and discussion
  - Time: Tuesdays, 10:00-12:00
  - Room: MI 02.09.023
  - Starting date: TBA (web page)
  - Number of meetings: TBA
  - **Attendance is mandatory!**
- Talk preparation / contact with supervisor
  - Read through your topic and related papers and write down what you don't understand
  - Approx. **one month before talk** (optional, but recommended): meet supervisor for questions
  - **One week before talk** (optional, but recommended) talk: meet supervisor to go through slides
  - **One week before talk** (mandatory) talk: send slides to your supervisor
  - **Two weeks after** talk: submit your report via email

# What about the presentation?

- General setup:
  - Duration: 20-25 minutes talk + 10-15 minutes discussion
  - Make sure to **finish on time!**
  - Rule of thumb: 1-2 minutes per slide → 10-20 slides
  - Do not put too much information on the slides!
- Recommended structure (talk only):
  - Introduction / Motivation
  - Overview / Outline
  - Related Work
  - Method description(s)
  - Experiments and results
  - Personal comments
  - Future work (important)
  - Summary

# What about the final report?

- General setup:
  - Use LATEX template provided on web page
  - Length: 4-5 pages
  - Send final report as pdf by email to [mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de](mailto:mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de)
  - Submission deadline: **two weeks after talk**
- Recommended structure (main text only; can be more comprehensive/extensive than your presentation):
  - Introduction
  - Related work
  - Method description(s)
  - Experiments and results
  - Discussion of results
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# Summary: how will the seminar be graded?

- Presentation
- Final Report
- Contributions to seminar discussions

⇒ **Ask questions!**

# How do you register for the seminar?

- **Step 1:** Official registration via TUM matching system
  - Go to [matching.in.tum.de](https://matching.in.tum.de)
  - Register for seminar named “Multi-Modal Perception for Mobile Robotics”
- **Step 2:** Personal registration via email
  - In the list of topics, select your **three** favorites
  - Write an email ranking these three favorites to [mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de](mailto:mmpmr-ws22@srl.in.tum.de)
  - Email subject: “MMPMR seminar application [your name]”
  - Include information about related lectures / courses you have taken so far (**Transcript should be attached** ).
  - We do **not** need a CV or a motivation letter!
  - **Registrations without email / emails with missing information will be ignored!**
- **Deadline** for both registrations: July 27, 2022



# How do we select candidates and papers?

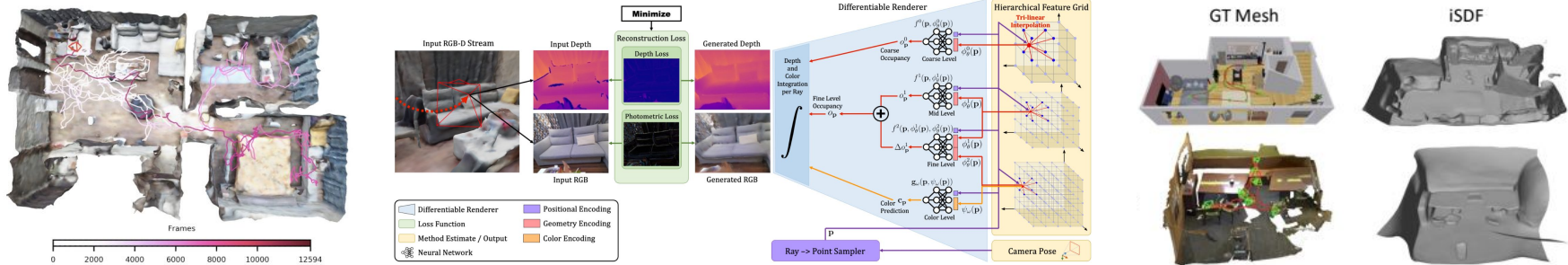
- Candidate selection
  - Only students registered in the matching system **AND** with emails containing all required information will be considered
  - Among students meeting the formal criteria, selection will be random (matching system)
  - You will get notified by the matching system about the decision
  
- Topic assignment
  - Topics are assigned after the participant list is finalized
  - We give our best to accommodate your preference list in the assignment

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# Neural Implicit Representations for Robotic Perception

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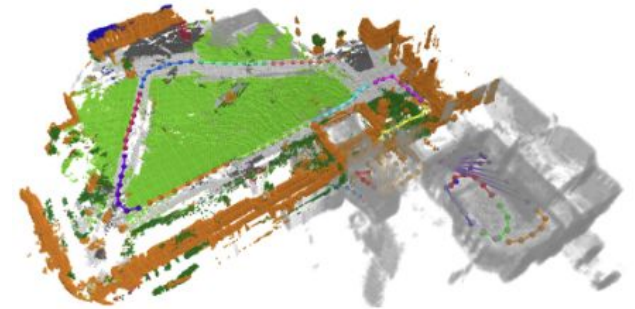
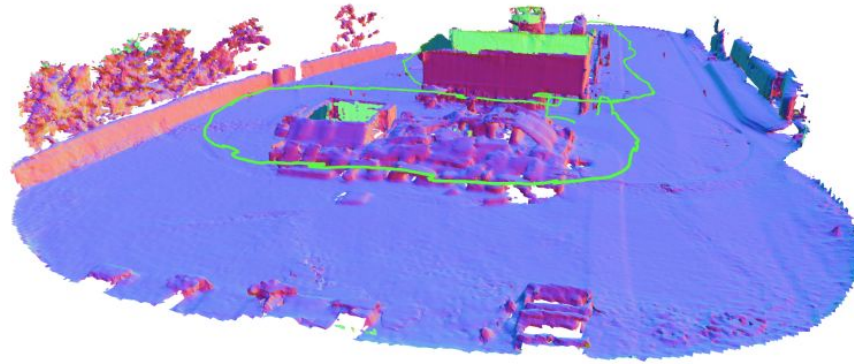


## Related Papers:

- Ortiz, Joseph, et al. "iSDF: Real-Time Neural Signed Distance Fields for Robot Perception." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2204.02296* (2022).
- Zhu, Zihan, et al. "Nice-slam: Neural implicit scalable encoding for slam." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2022.
- Sucar, Edgar, et al. "iMAP: Implicit mapping and positioning in real-time." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision*. 2021.

# Large-Scale LiDAR Reconstruction

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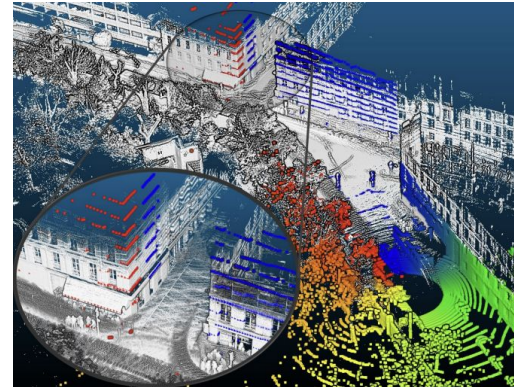
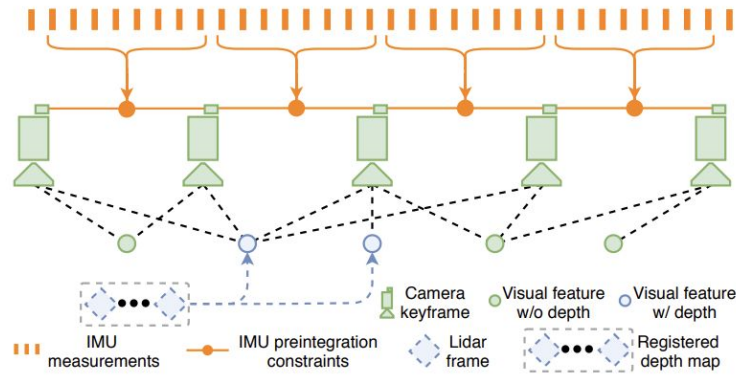


## Related Papers:

- Wang, Yiduo, et al. "Strategies for large scale elastic and semantic LiDAR reconstruction." *Robotics and Autonomous Systems* (2022).  
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0921889022001075>
- Reijgwart, Victor, et al. "Voxgraph: Globally consistent, volumetric mapping using signed distance function submaps." *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* 5.1 (2019): 227-234.

# LiDAR-based Odometry / SLAM

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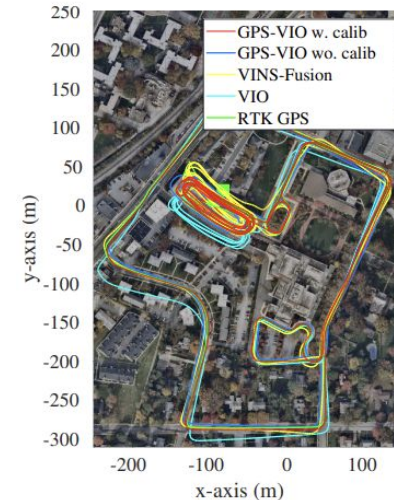
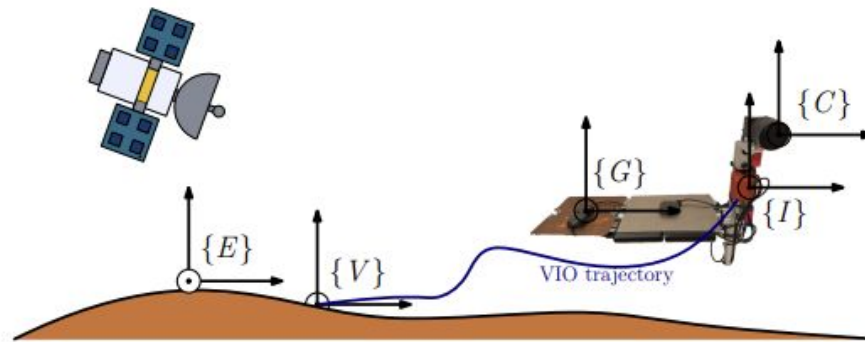


## Related Papers:

- Shan, Tixiao, et al. "Lvi-sam: Tightly-coupled lidar-visual-inertial odometry via smoothing and mapping." *2021 IEEE international conference on robotics and automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2021.
- Dellenbach, Pierre, et al. "Ct-icp: Real-time elastic lidar odometry with loop closure." *2022 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2022.

# GPS-aided Visual-Inertial Odometry

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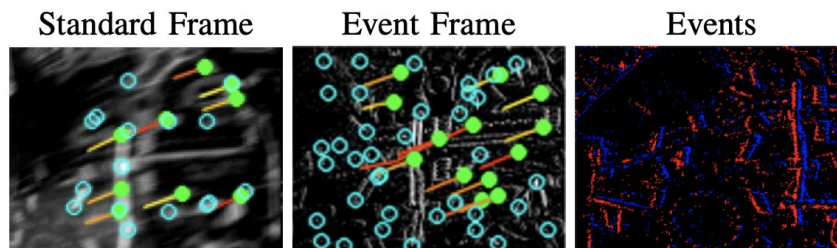
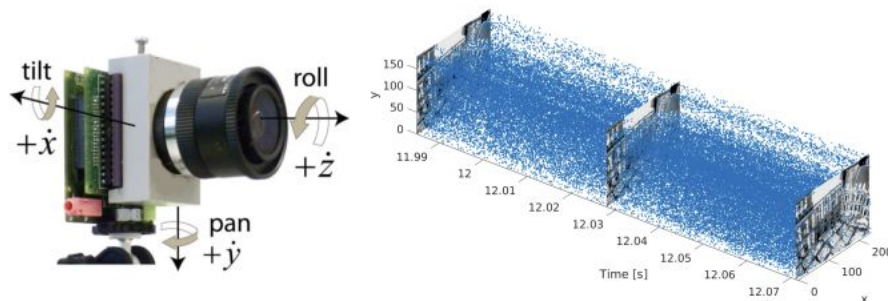


## Related Papers:

- Lee, Woosik, et al. "Tightly-coupled GNSS-aided Visual-Inertial Localization." *2022 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2022.
- Lee, Woosik, et al. "Intermittent gps-aided vio: Online initialization and calibration." *2020 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2020.

# Event-based Odometry / SLAM

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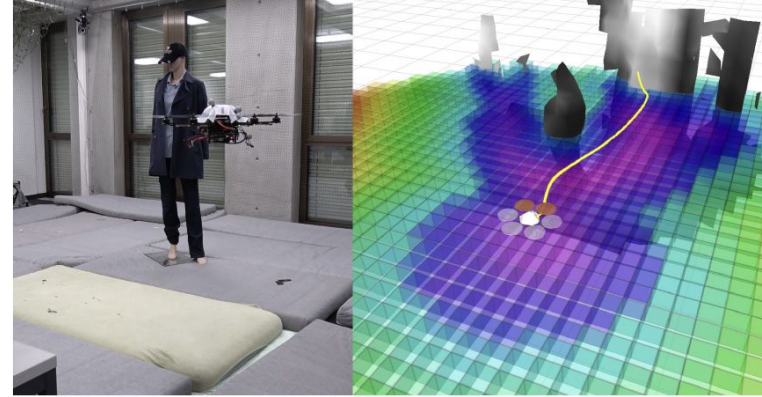
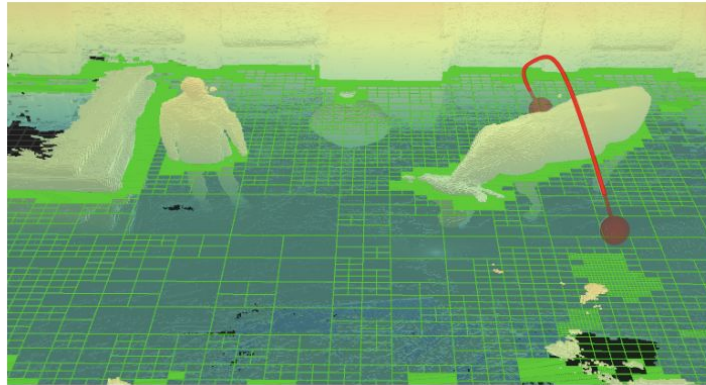


## Related Papers:

- Vidal, Antoni Rosinol, et al. "Ultimate SLAM? Combining events, images, and IMU for robust visual SLAM in HDR and high-speed scenarios." *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* 3.2 (2018): 994-1001.
- Mueggler, Elias, et al. "Continuous-time visual-inertial odometry for event cameras." *IEEE Transactions on Robotics* 34.6 (2018): 1425-1440.

# Real-Time Volumetric Mapping

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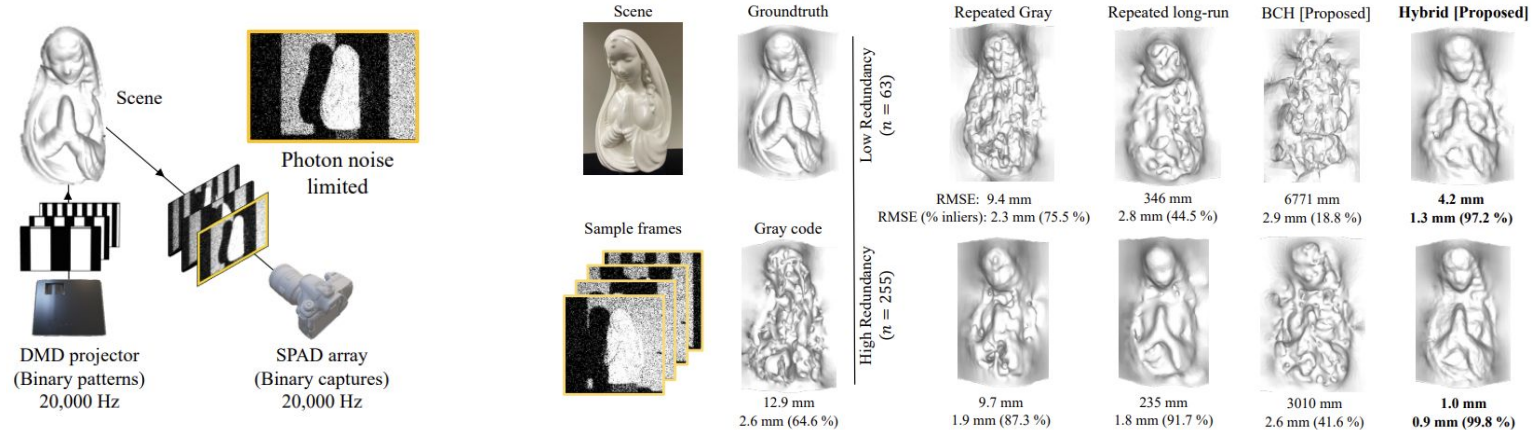
## Related Papers:

- Funk, Nils, et al. "Multi-resolution 3D mapping with explicit free space representation for fast and accurate mobile robot motion planning." *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* 6.2 (2021): 3553-3560.
- Oleynikova, Helen, et al. "Voxblox: Incremental 3d euclidean signed distance fields for on-board mav planning." *2017 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*. IEEE, 2017.



# Single Photon Imaging

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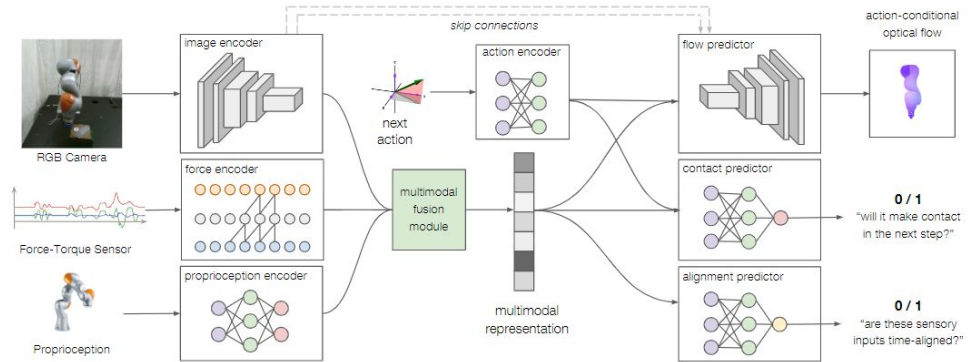
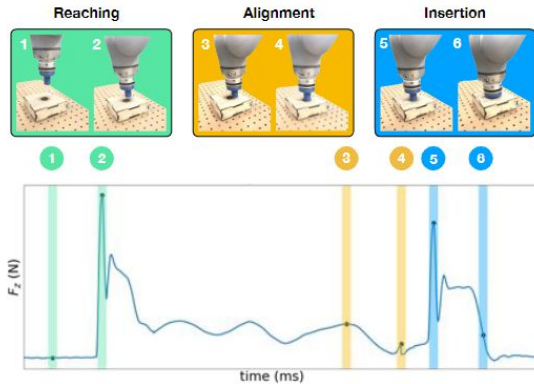


## Related Papers:

- Sundar, Varun, et al. "Single-Photon Structured Light." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2022.

# Vision and Touch Fusion for Perception and Manipulation

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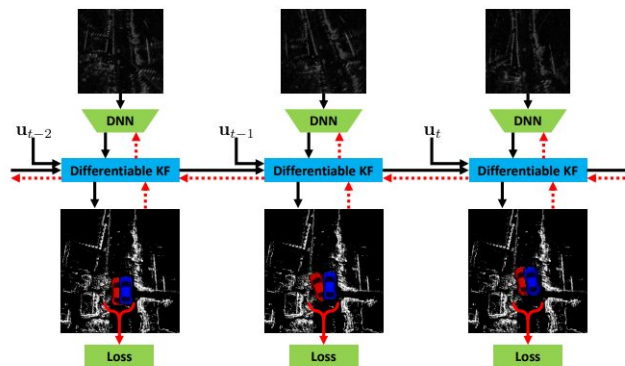
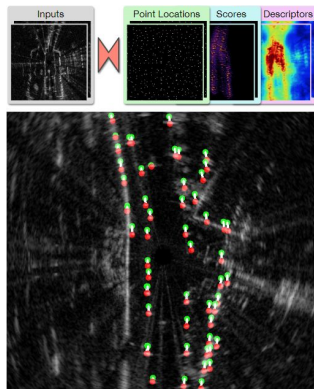


## Related Papers:

- Lee, Michelle A., et al. "Making sense of vision and touch: Learning multimodal representations for contact-rich tasks." *IEEE Transactions on Robotics* 36.3 (2020): 582-596.

# Radar Perception

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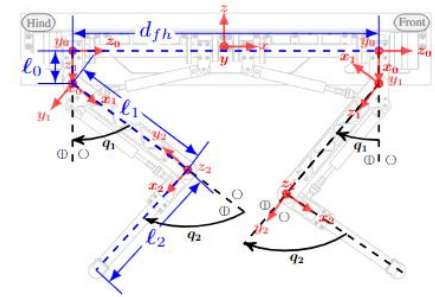
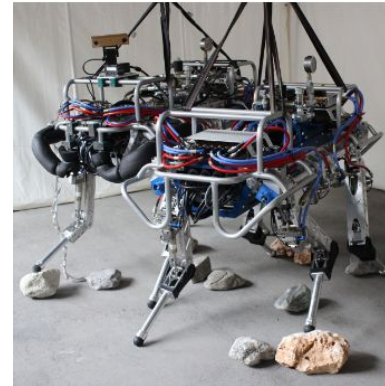
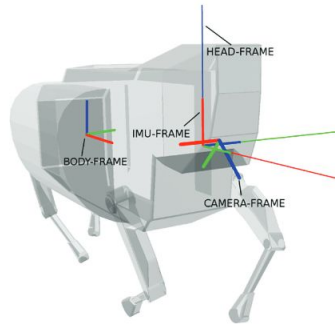
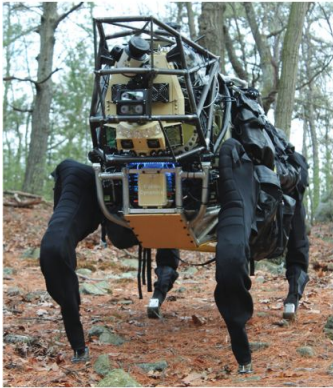


## Related Papers:

- Barnes, Dan, and Ingmar Posner. "Under the radar: Learning to predict robust keypoints for odometry estimation and metric localisation in radar." *2020 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2020.
- Yin, Huan, et al. "Rall: end-to-end radar localization on lidar map using differentiable measurement model." *IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems* (2021).

# State Estimation for Quadrupedal Robot

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## Related Papers:

- Camurri, Marco, et al. "Probabilistic contact estimation and impact detection for state estimation of quadruped robots." *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* 2.2 (2017): 1023-1030.
- Fink, Geoff, and Claudio Semini. "Proprioceptive sensor fusion for quadruped robot state estimation." *2020 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*. IEEE, 2020.
- Ma, Jeremy, et al. "Real-time pose estimation of a dynamic quadruped in GPS-denied environments for 24-hour operation." *The International Journal of Robotics Research* 35.6 (2016): 631-653.

# Learning-based Multi-modal Perception

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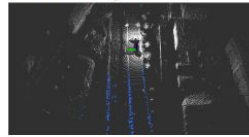
(a) Semantic segmentation results using our modified EfficientNet [18].



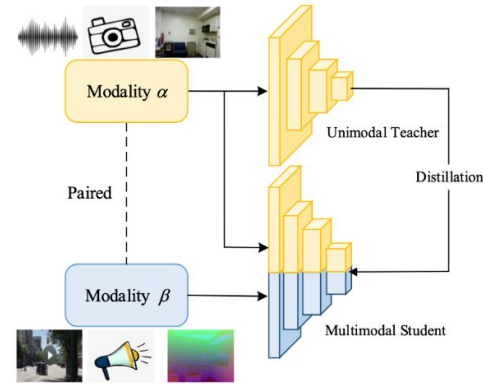
(c) Lidar point clouds (white points) overlaid on the segmented curb pixels.



(b) Fused lidar point clouds from lidar sensors.



(d) Curb semantics (blue points) with the fused point cloud.

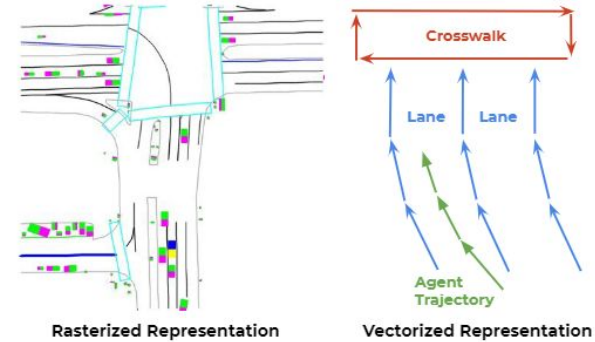


## Related Papers:

- Das, Sandipan, et al. "Multi-modal curb detection and filtering." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2205.07096* (2022).
- Xue, Zihui, et al. "Multimodal knowledge expansion." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision*. 2021.
- Liu, Huayao, et al. "CMX: Cross-Modal Fusion for RGB-X Semantic Segmentation with Transformers." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2203.04838* (2022).

# Learning-based Vector Map Reconstruction for Autonomous Driving

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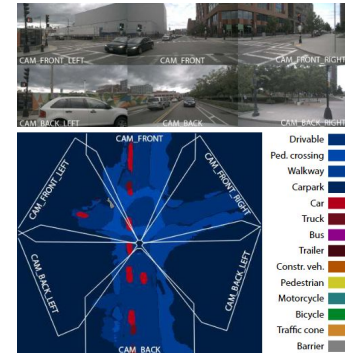
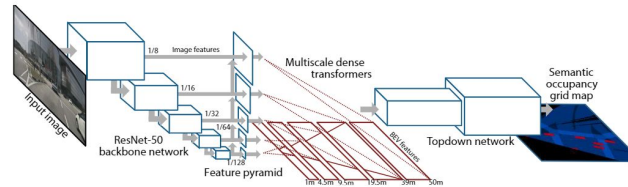
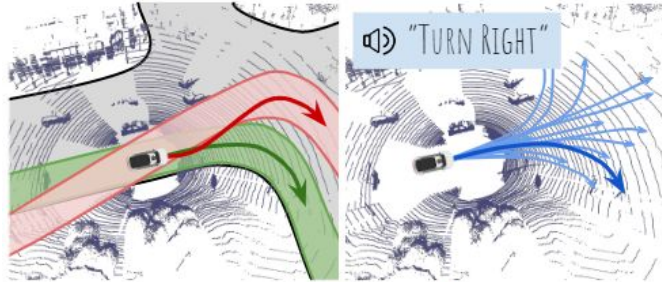
- Gao, Jiyang, et al. "Vectornet: Encoding hd maps and agent dynamics from vectorized representation." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2020.
- Liu, Yicheng, et al. "VectorMapNet: End-to-end Vectorized HD Map Learning." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2206.08920* (2022).
- Li, Qi, et al. "Hdmapnet: An online hd map construction and evaluation framework." *2022 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2022.

# BEV Map Based Perception for Autonomous Driving

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Driving with an HD map

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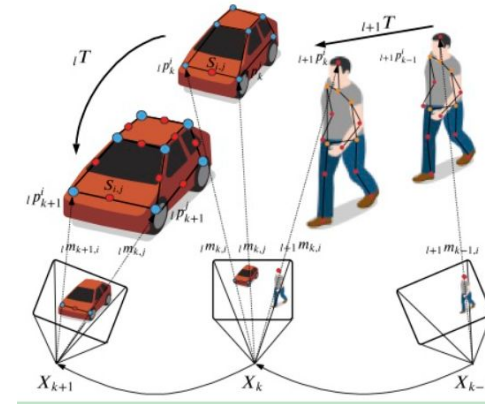
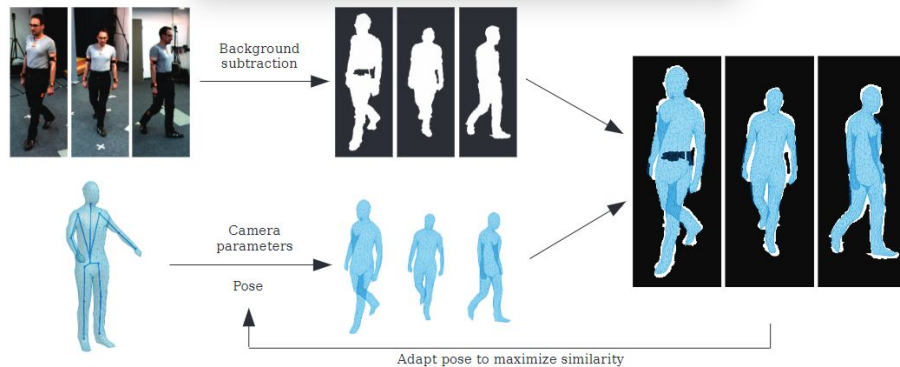


## Related Papers:

- Roddick, Thomas, and Roberto Cipolla. "Predicting semantic map representations from images using pyramid occupancy networks." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2020.
- Ye, Maosheng, Shuangjie Xu, and Tongyi Cao. "Hvnet: Hybrid voxel network for lidar based 3d object detection." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF conference on computer vision and pattern recognition*. 2020.
- Casas, Sergio, Abbas Sadat, and Raquel Urtasun. "Mp3: A unified model to map, perceive, predict and plan." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2021.
- Saha, Avishkar, et al. "Translating images into maps." *2022 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2022.

# Dynamic Human Pose Tracking

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## Related Papers:

- Yu, Ri, Hwangpil Park, and Jehhee Lee. "Human dynamics from monocular video with dynamic camera movements." *ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG)* 40.6 (2021): 1-14.
- Von Marcard, Timo, Gerard Pons-Moll, and Bodo Rosenhahn. "Human pose estimation from video and imus." *IEEE transactions on pattern analysis and machine intelligence* 38.8 (2016): 1533-1547.
- Qiu, Yuheng, et al. "Airdos: Dynamic slam benefits from articulated objects." *2022 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*. IEEE, 2022.



# Where can I find the papers?

[arxiv.org](https://arxiv.org)

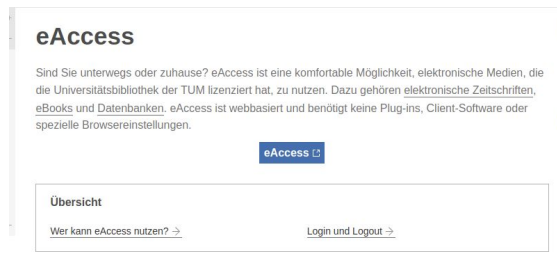


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# Questions?

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