

# Review Optimization

$$x^* = \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} f(x) \Rightarrow \frac{df(x^*)}{dx} = 0$$

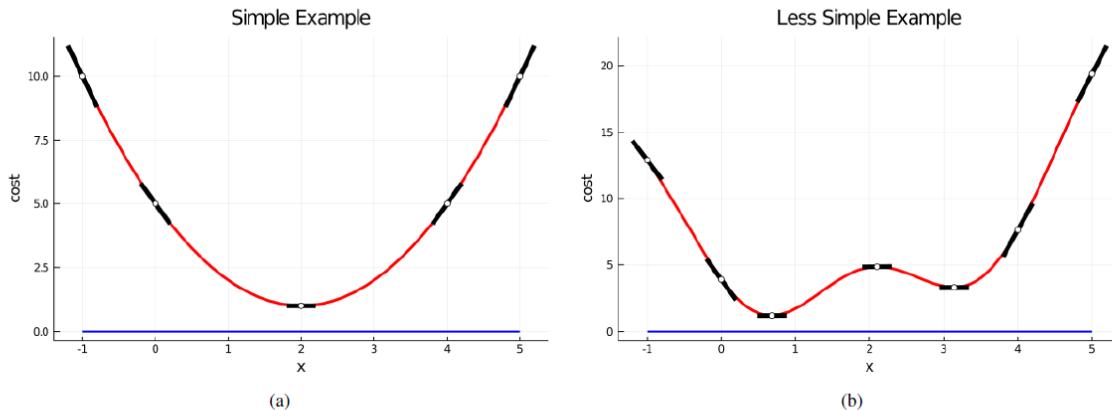


Figure 2: The derivatives of the cost functions have been added at strategic points. (a) A “simple” cost function with a global minimum at  $x^* = 2$  and (b) a “less simple” cost function where there are two local minima, one at  $x^* \approx 0.68$  and one at  $x^* \approx 3.14$ , and a local maximum at 2.1.

Linear Approx:  $f(x) \approx f(x_k) + \frac{df(x_k)}{dx}(x - x_k)$

Locally:  $f(x_{k+1}) < f(x_k) \Leftrightarrow f(x_{k+1}) - f(x_k) < 0 \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\frac{df(x_k)}{dx} [x_{k+1} - x_k]}_{\Delta x_k} < 0$

$$\Delta x_k = -s \frac{df(x_k)}{dx} \quad s > 0$$

$$\therefore x_{k+1} = x_k + \Delta x_k = x_k - s \frac{df(x_k)}{dx} \quad s > 0$$

Gradient Descent in One Dimension

# TODAY

Pseudo Code

$x_k = x_0 = \text{initial value}$ ,  $k=0$

While  $\left( \left| \frac{df(x_k)}{dx} \right| > tol \right) \& (k < k_{\max})$

$$x_k = x_k - s \frac{df(x_k)}{dx}$$

$k=k+1$

→ analytical derivative

→ numerical approx

END

Choosing  $s>0$  is hard! Often  
it has to be quite small  $s \approx 10^{-3}$

Trivial Demo.

Issue: We often converge to  
a local minimum. How do organize  
our search in order to have a better  
chance of finding a global minimum?

Typical Approach: Multi-start

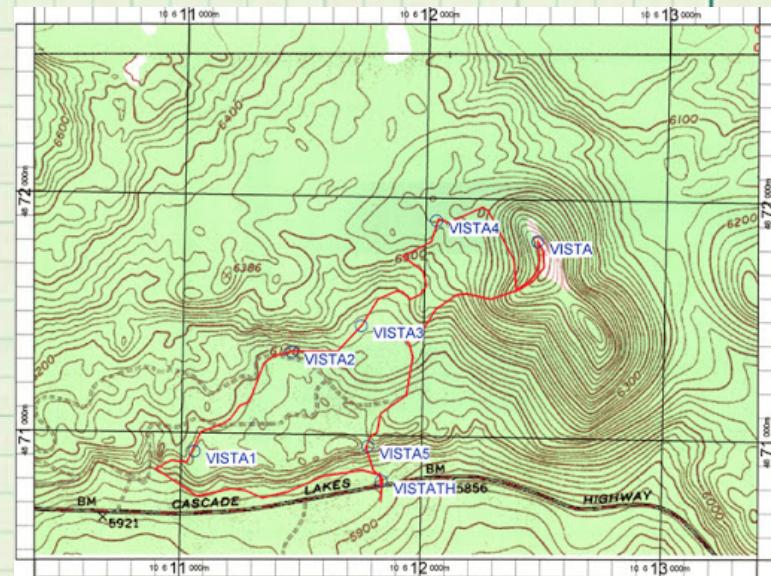
Means: Choose many  $x_0$ 's and run the algorithm.

How to choose the  $x_0$ 's ???

Use  $x_0 = \text{randn}(m, K)$   $K = \# x_0$ 's !!

Alternative Approach: Find a cost function that has a single global minimum and no local minima (other than the global one). "Convexity".

Now  $f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cost depends  
on several variables.



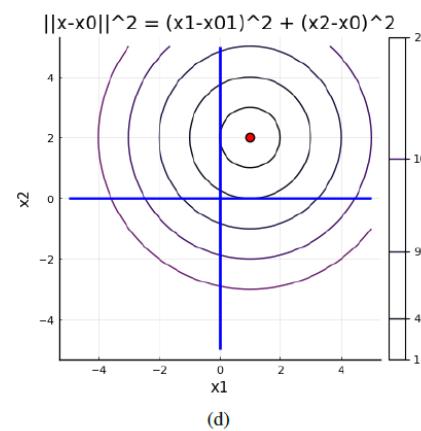
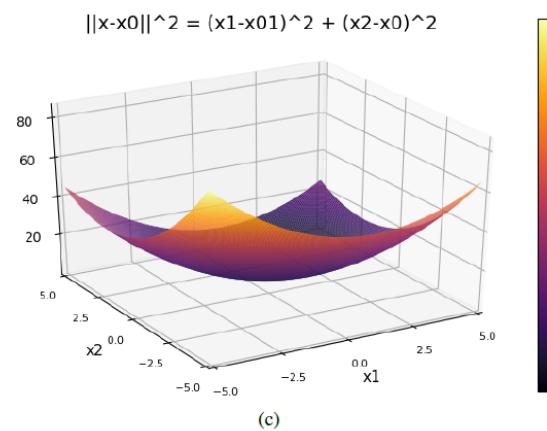
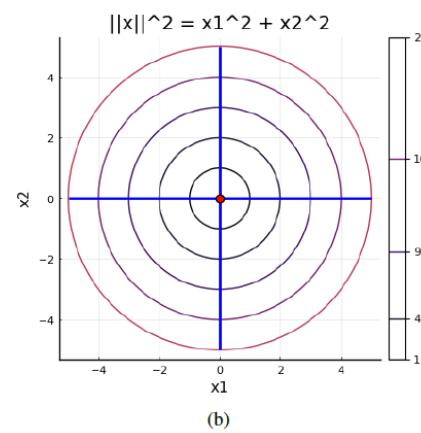
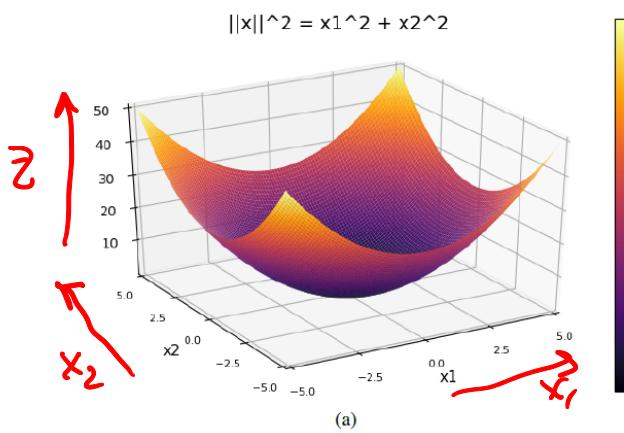
Message  $\nabla f(x)$   
points in the direction

of maximum increase of  $f(x)$ .

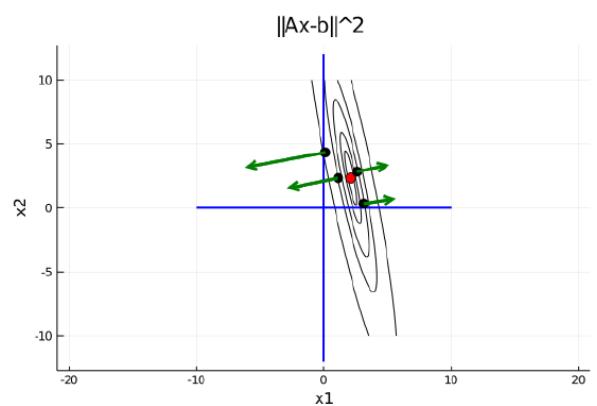
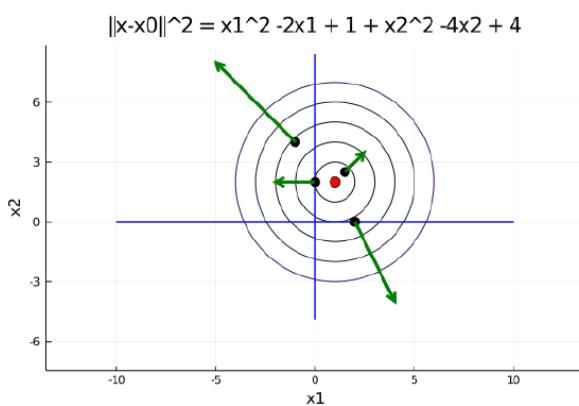
$$\nabla f(x_0) = \left[ \frac{\partial f(x_0)}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f(x_0)}{\partial x_m} \right]_{1 \times m}$$

$$z = f(x_1, x_2)$$

Contour plot



contour plot = topo map for a function



Gradient  $\nabla f(x)$  plotted on the contour plot

# Proposed Algorithm

$$x_{k+1} = \underbrace{x_k - s}_{\text{mx}_1} \underbrace{\nabla f(x_k)}_{\text{mx}_1}^T$$

$$\nabla f(x_k) = \mathbf{1} \mathbf{x}_m$$

Gradient  
Descent

Seems like the right thing to do !!!

Using the linear approximation, we can SHOW it's the right thing to do!

$$f(x_{k+1}) = f(x_k) + \nabla f(x_k) \underbrace{(x_{k+1} - x_k)}_{\Delta x_k}$$

Seek  $x_{k+1}$  such that  $f(x_{k+1}) < f(x_k)$

$$\Delta x_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$$

$$f(x_{k+1}) - f(x_k) < 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla f(x_k) \Delta x_k < 0$$

$$\Delta x_k := -s \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x_k) \end{bmatrix} \quad s > 0$$

because then  $-s \nabla f(x_k) \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x_k) \end{bmatrix}^T$

$$= -s \|\nabla f(x_k)\|^2 < 0$$

as long  $\begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x_k) \end{bmatrix}^T \neq 0_{m \times 1}$ !

Slides by Bruce Follow

Problem: Align LiDAR and Camera data so that objects seen by both sensors are reported to have the same  $(x, y, z)$ -coordinates

in 3D space!

Can be reduced to finding the transformation from  $(x, y, z)_{\text{LiDAR}}$  to  $(x, y)_{\text{camera}}$

Seek  $\begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , just as in Project 1, so that

$$\left\| g \left( \begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_{\text{LIDAR}} \right) - \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}_{\text{Camera}} \right\|^2$$

minimized  
where  $g: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \text{Camera Image}$  (math  
model of a camera!)

# ROB101-OPTIMIZATION

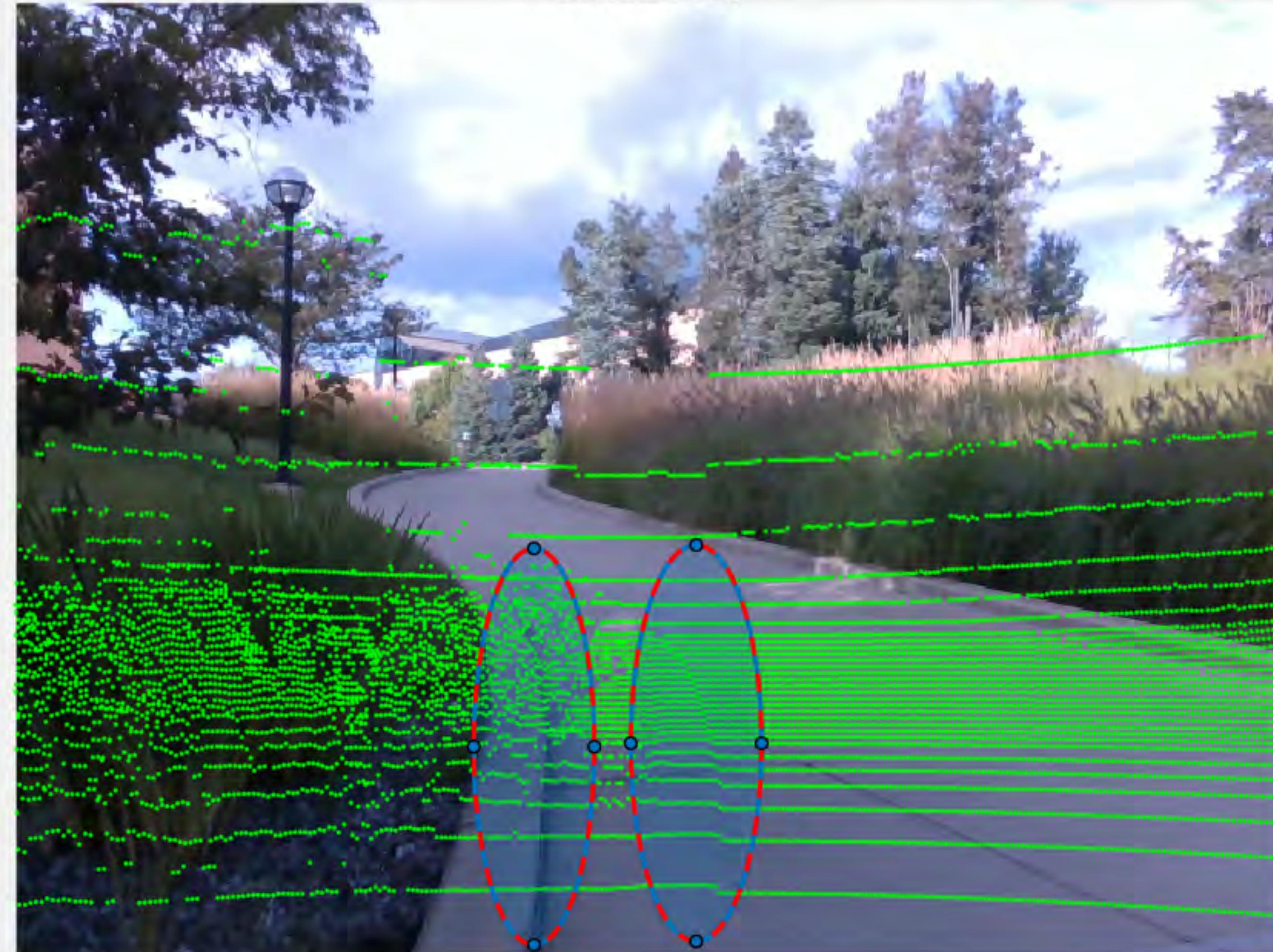
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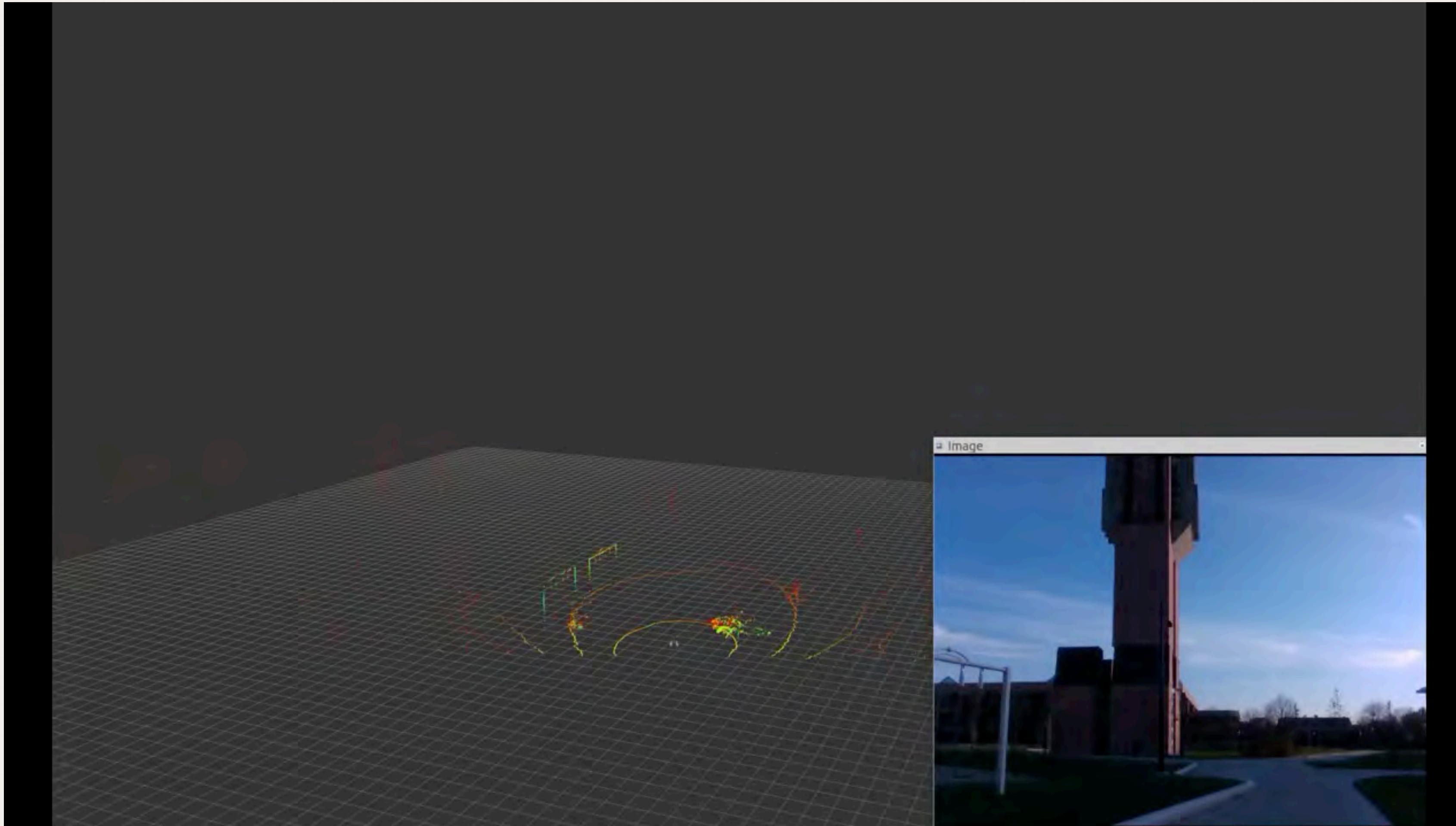
# ACCURATE AND PRECISE!!

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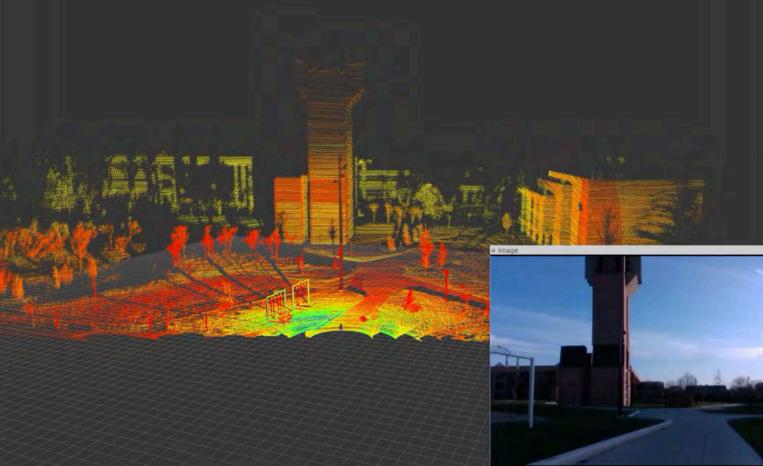
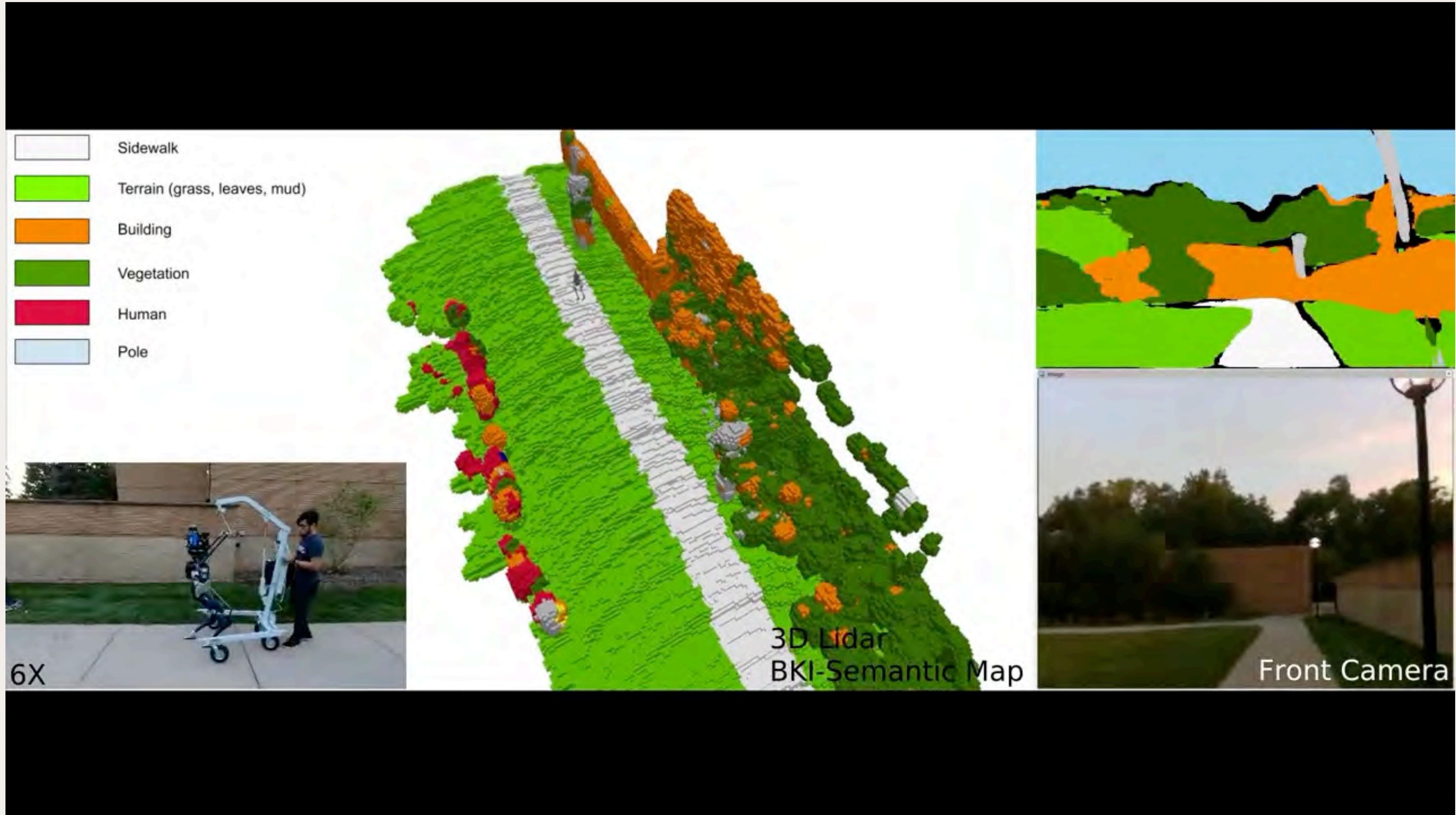
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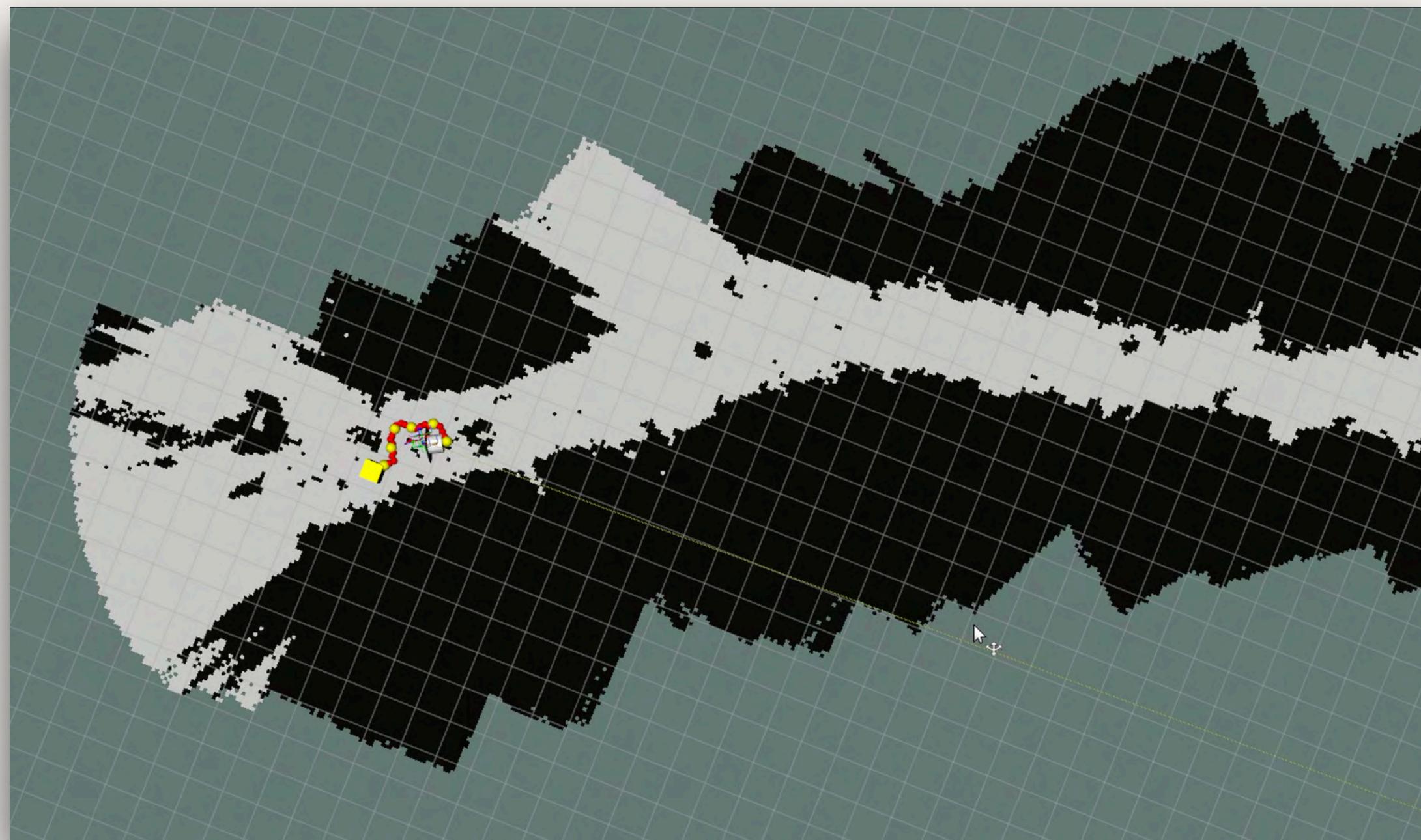
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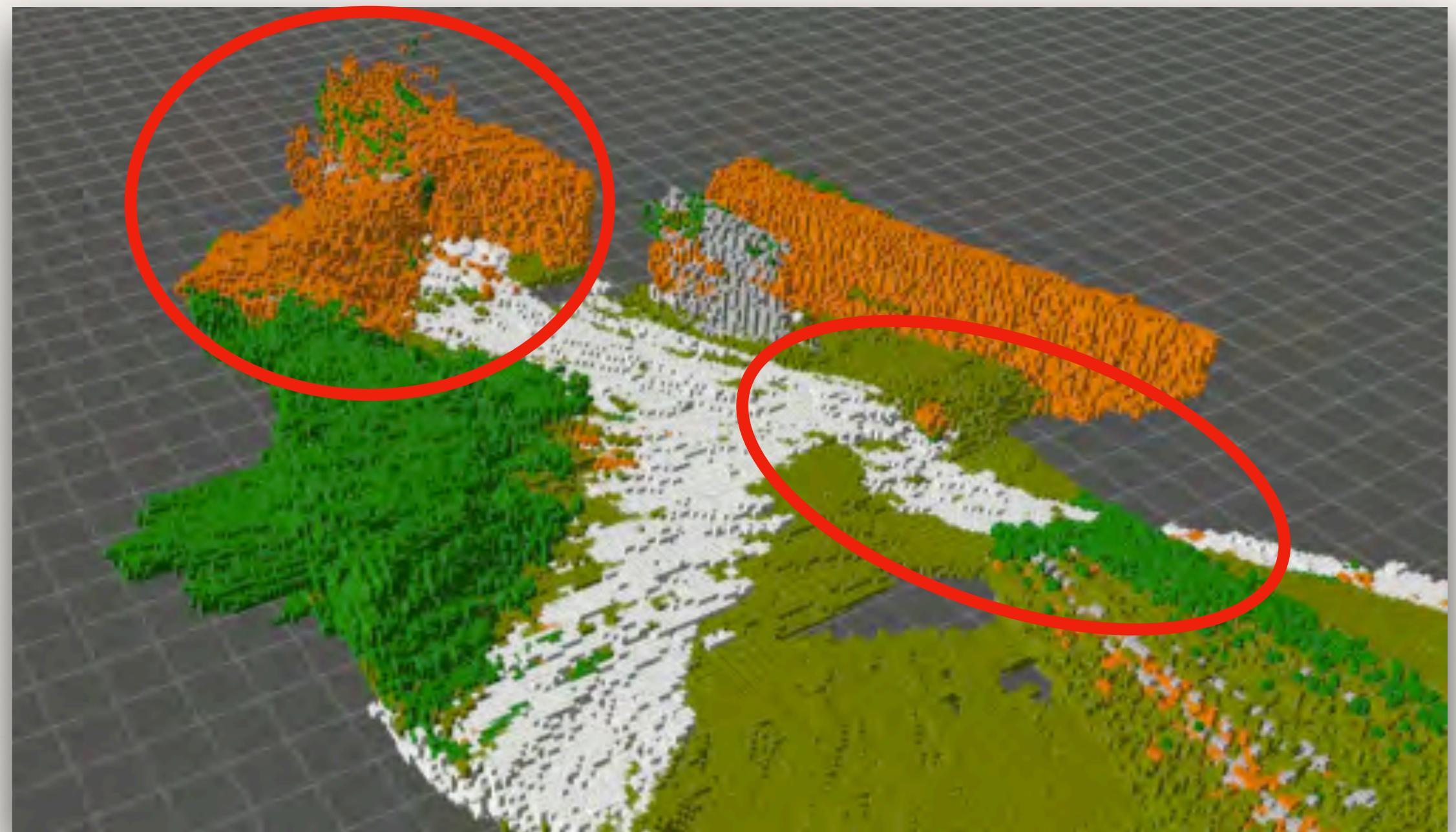
Without LiDAR (Only use RGB-D camera)



With LiDAR and camera calibrated

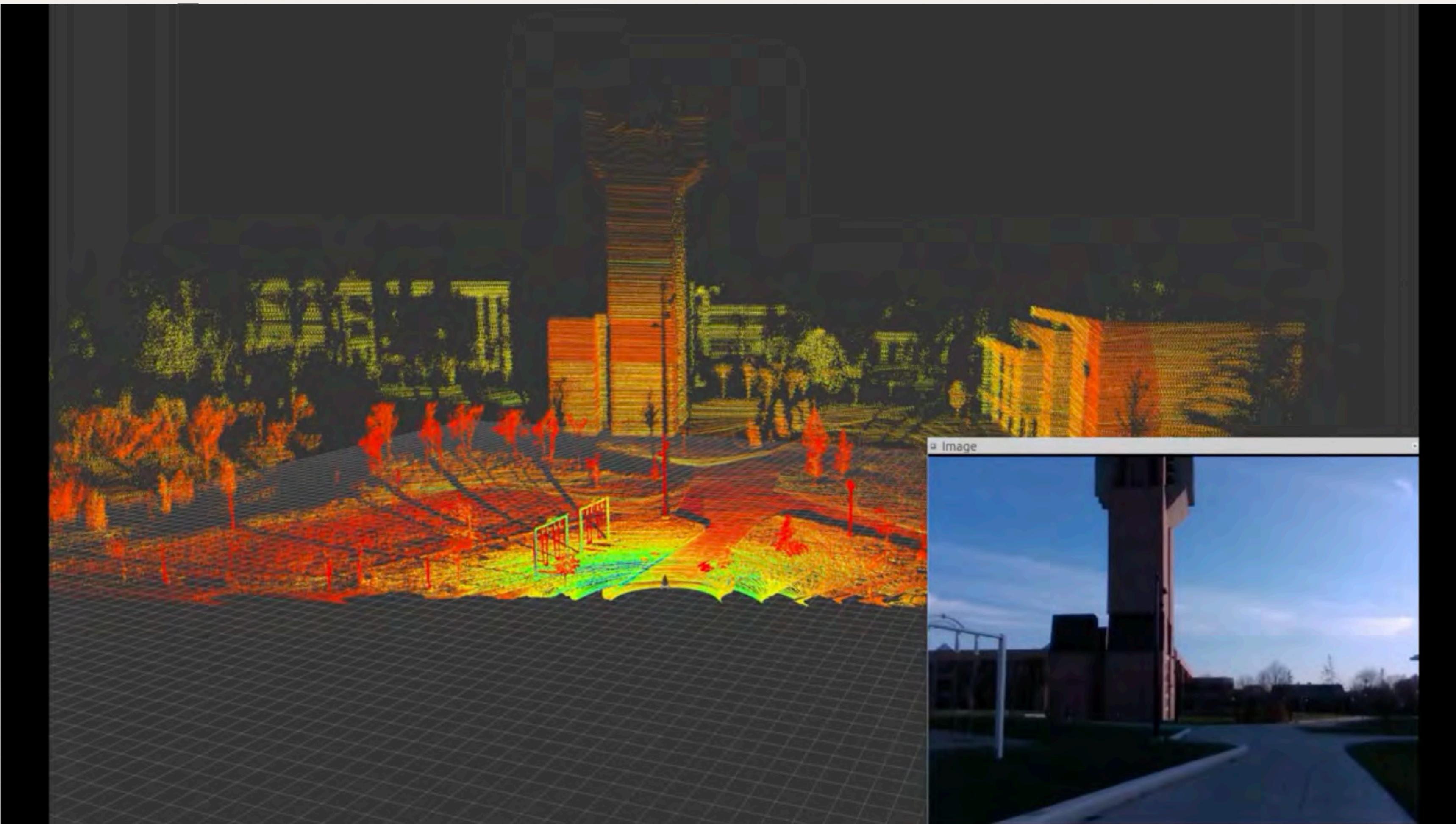
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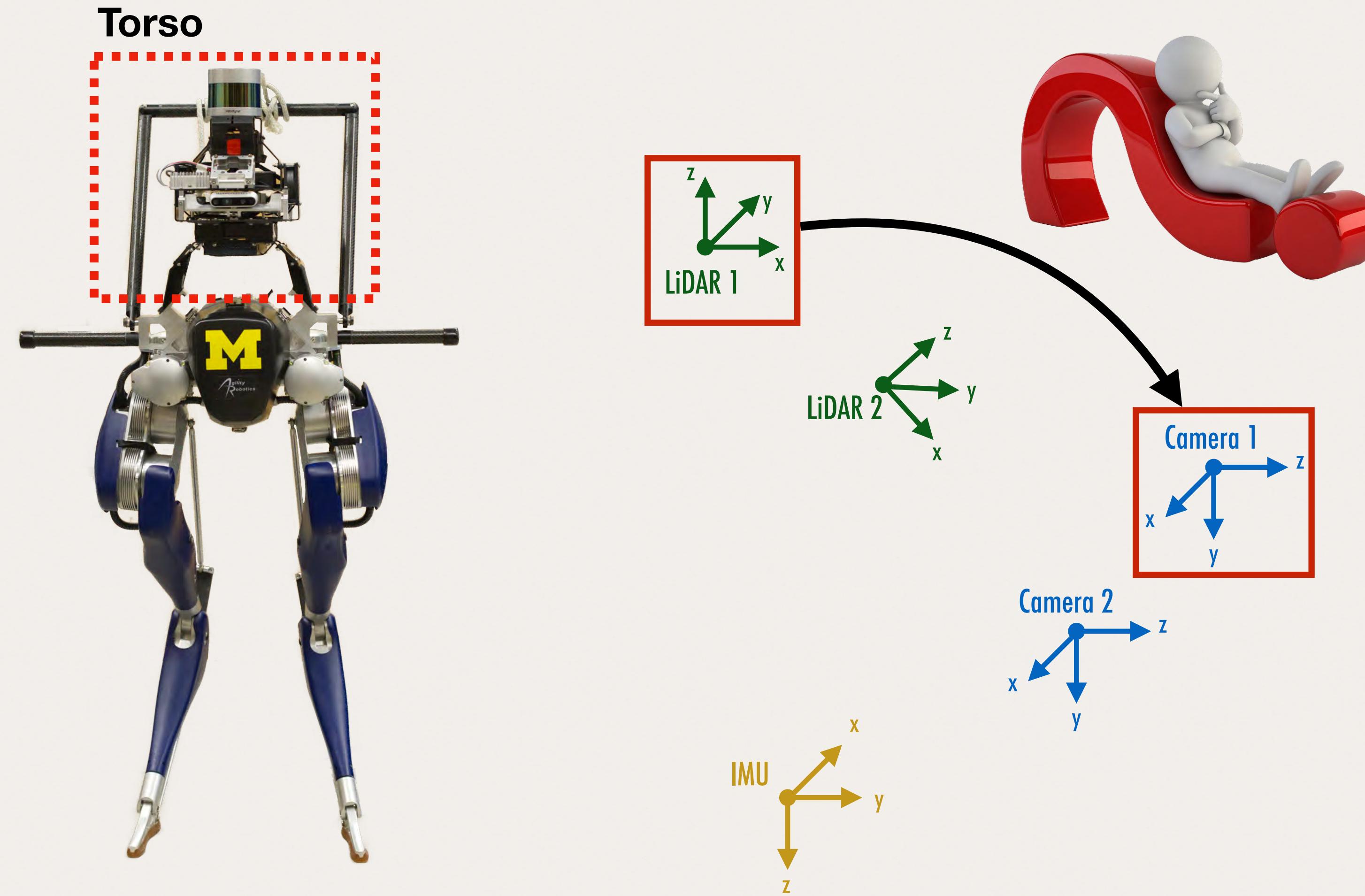
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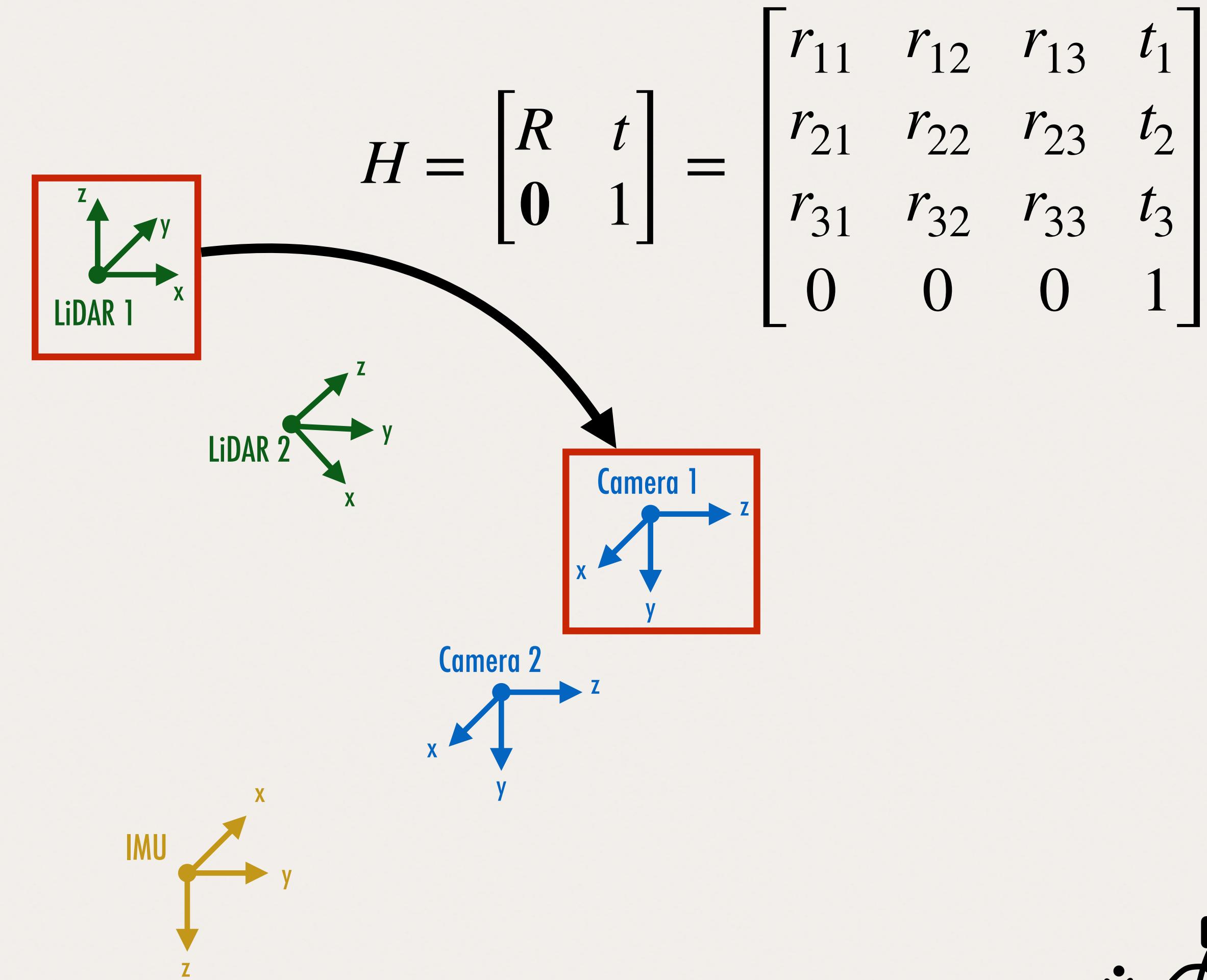
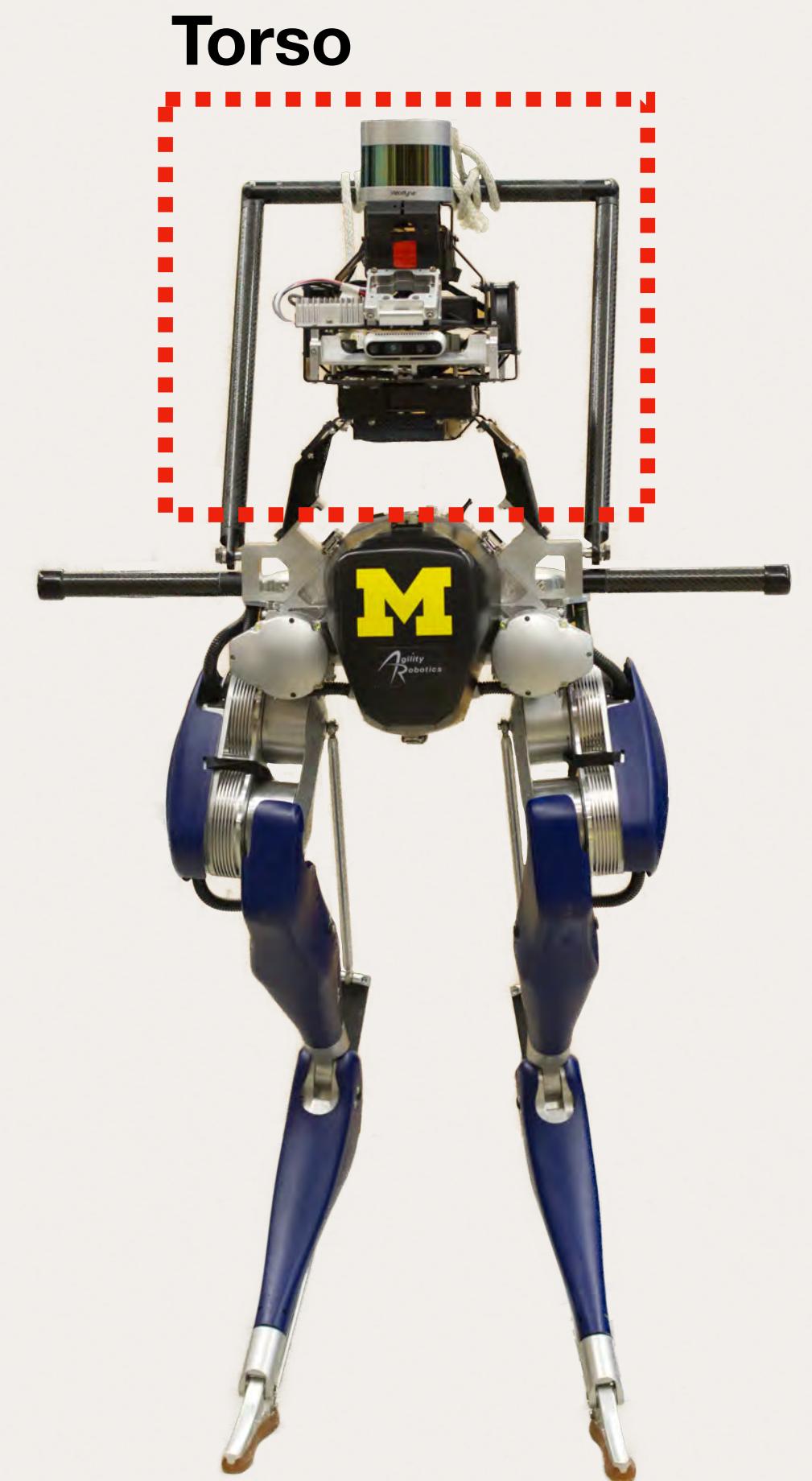
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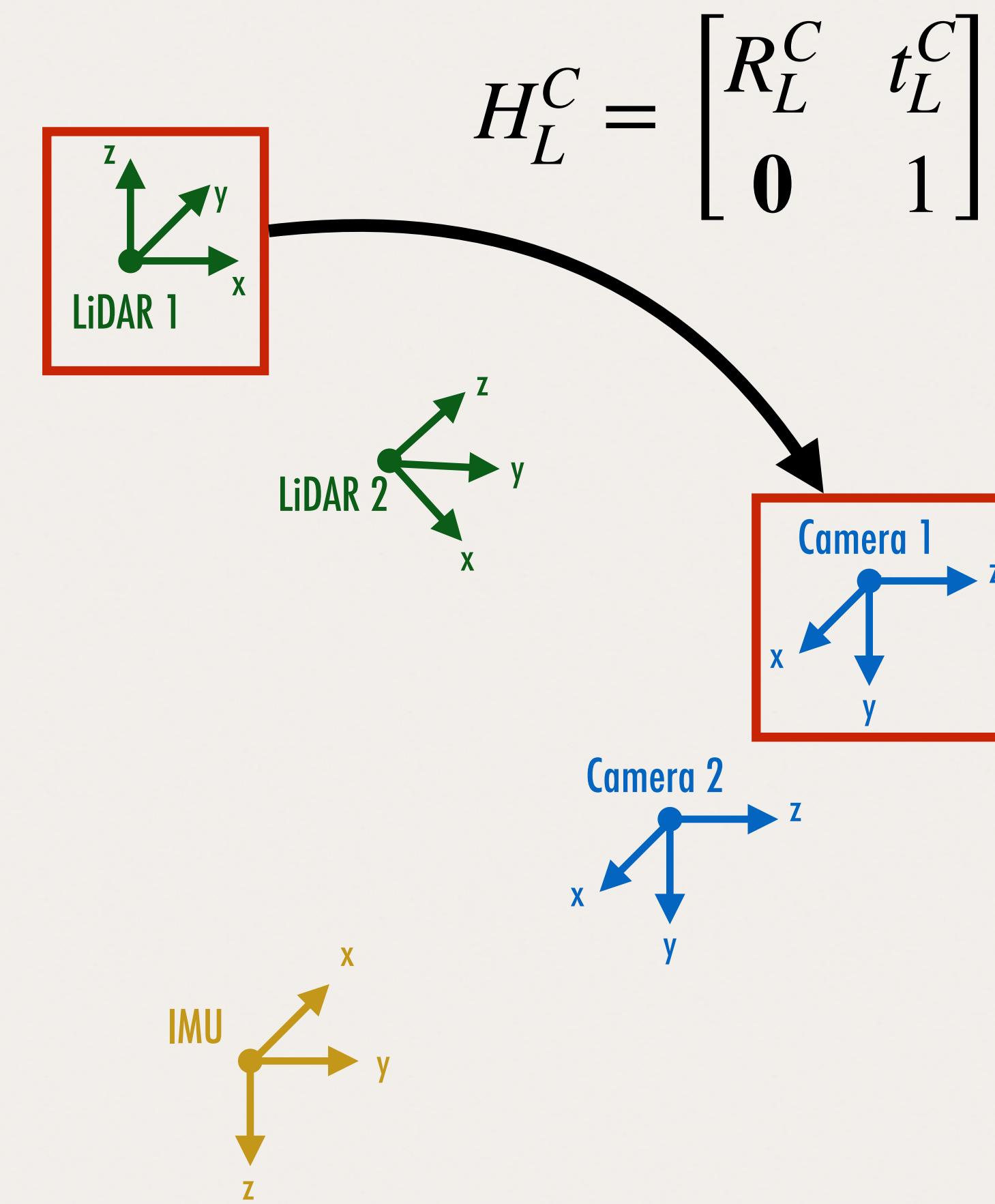
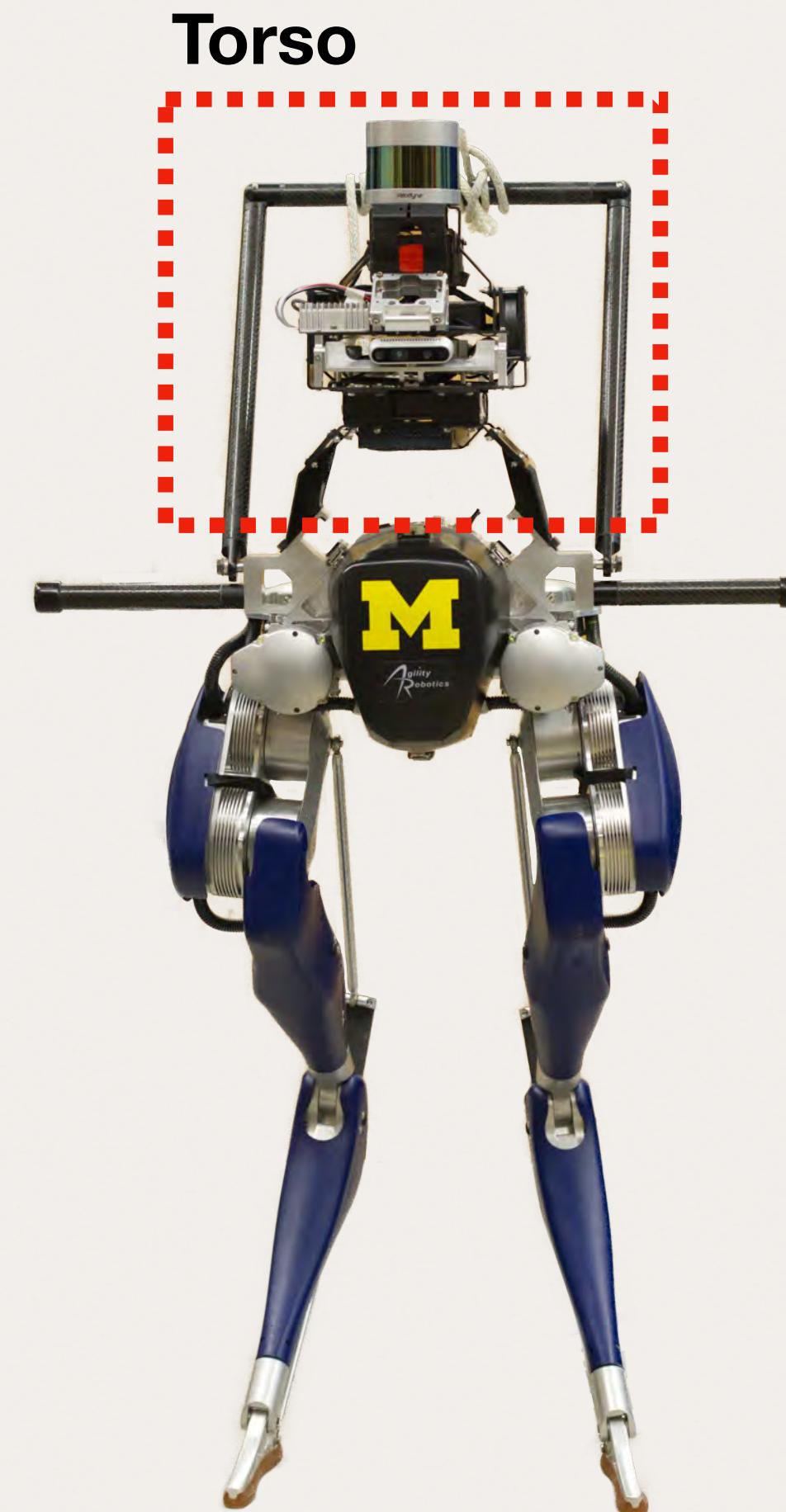
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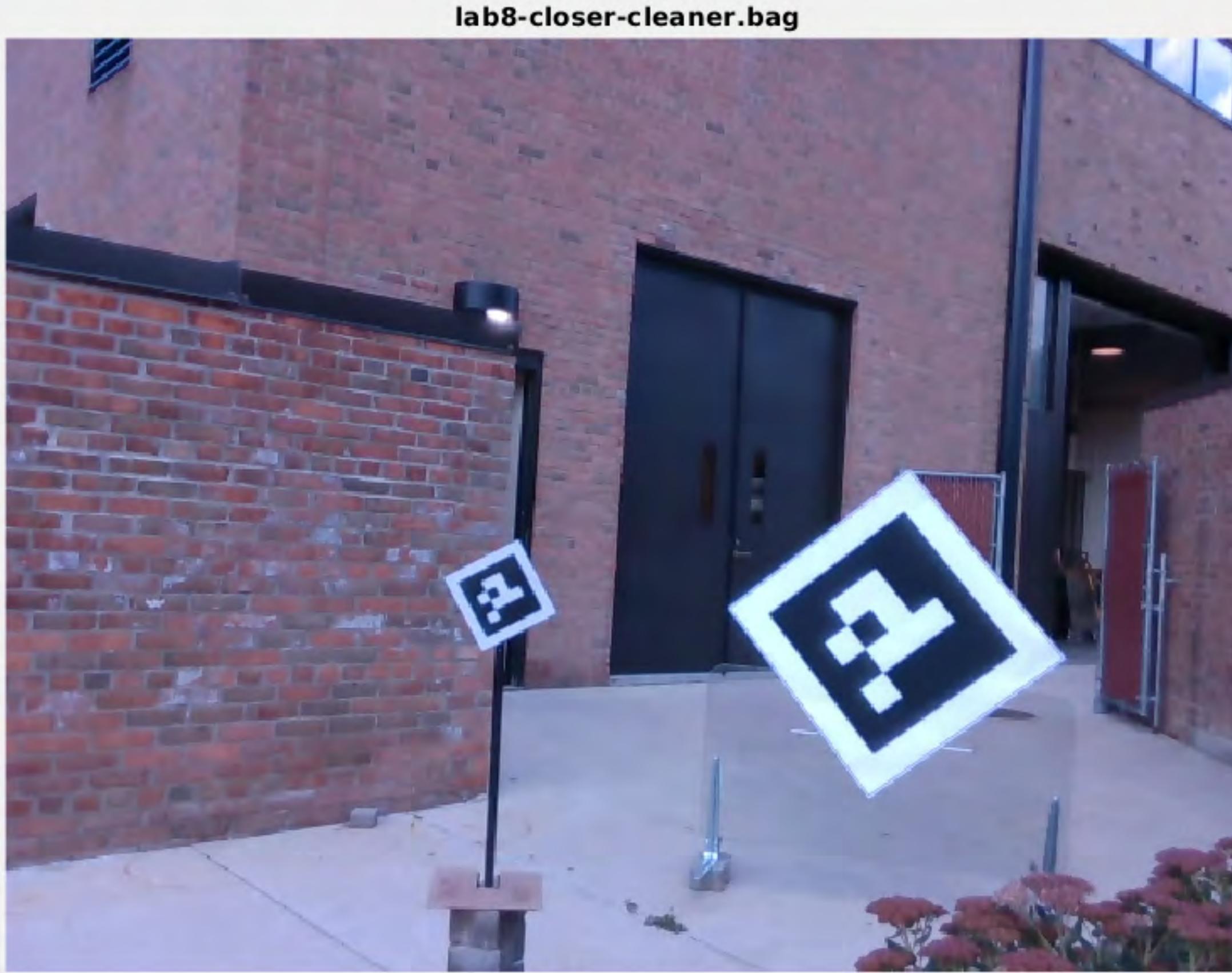
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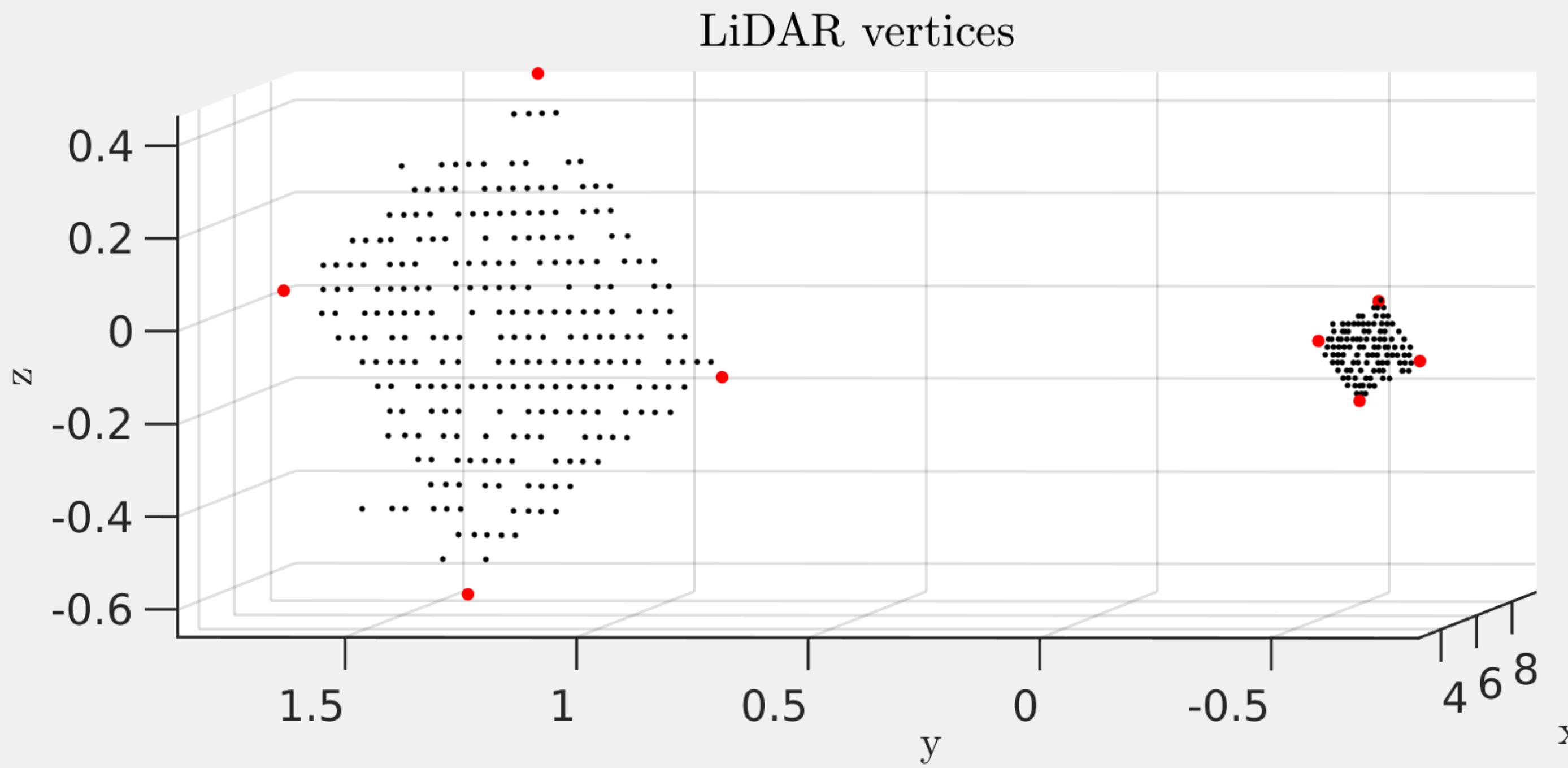
# FEATURES: EDGES

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# FEATURES: CORNERS

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# LIVE DEMO

1. GitHub
2. Download dataset
3. Put them under ROB101\_data folder.
4. Run rob101\_optimization.m
5. Why not Julia?

# HOW TO REPRESENT R?

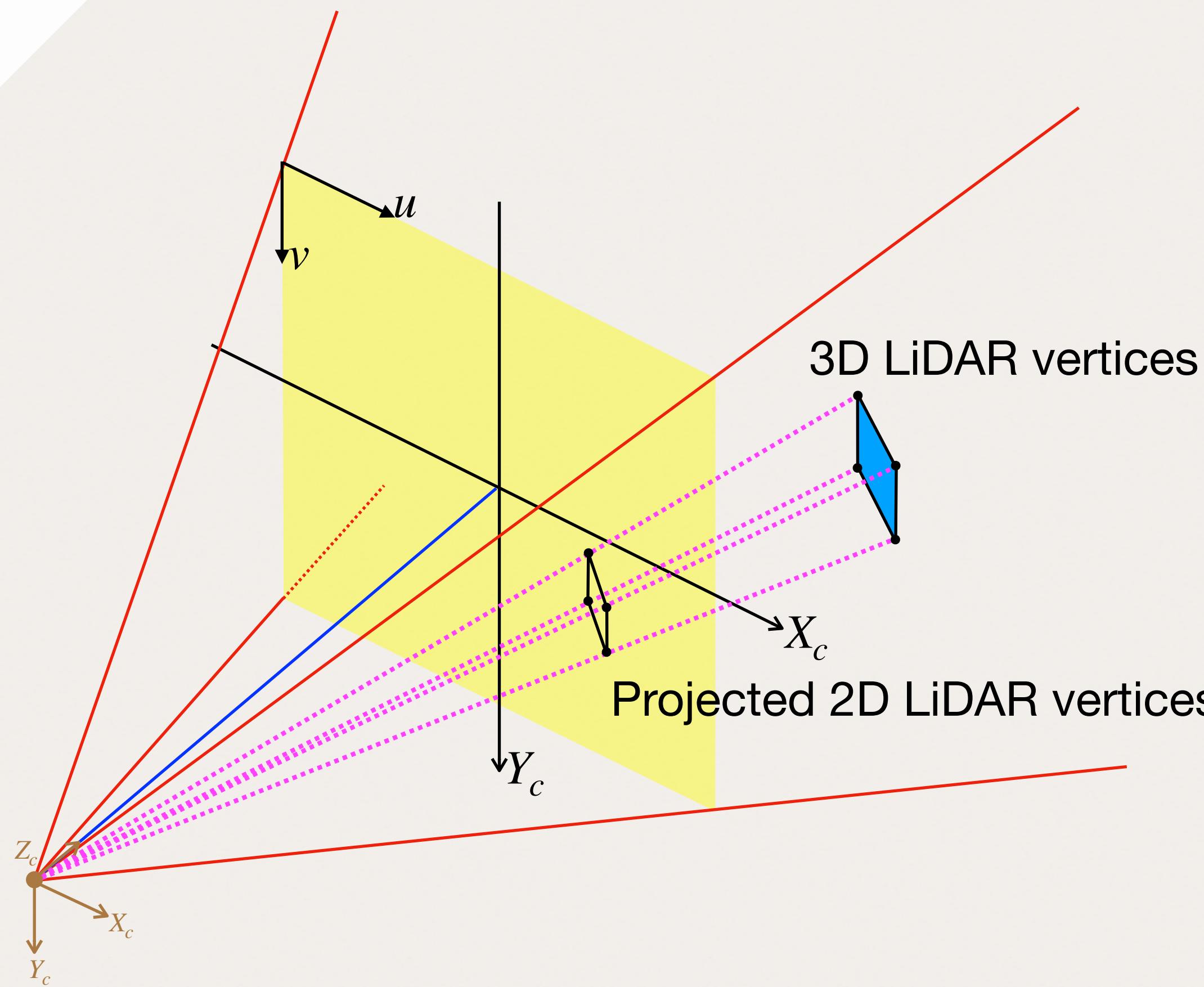
If you dig in more...

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \iff R = \exp(\text{skew}([\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3]))$$

Power of Lie group!

# PROJECTION MAP: 3D POINTS TO 2D POINTS

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$$\begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f_x & s & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{intrinsic parameters}} \begin{bmatrix} 1_{3 \times 3} \\ 0_{1 \times 3} \end{bmatrix}^\top \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_L^C & t_L^C \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{extrinsic parameters}} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_i = [u \quad v \quad 1]^\top = \left[ \frac{u'}{w'} \quad \frac{v'}{w'} \quad 1 \right]^\top,$$

$$\Pi(X_i; R, t) := Y_i$$

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