

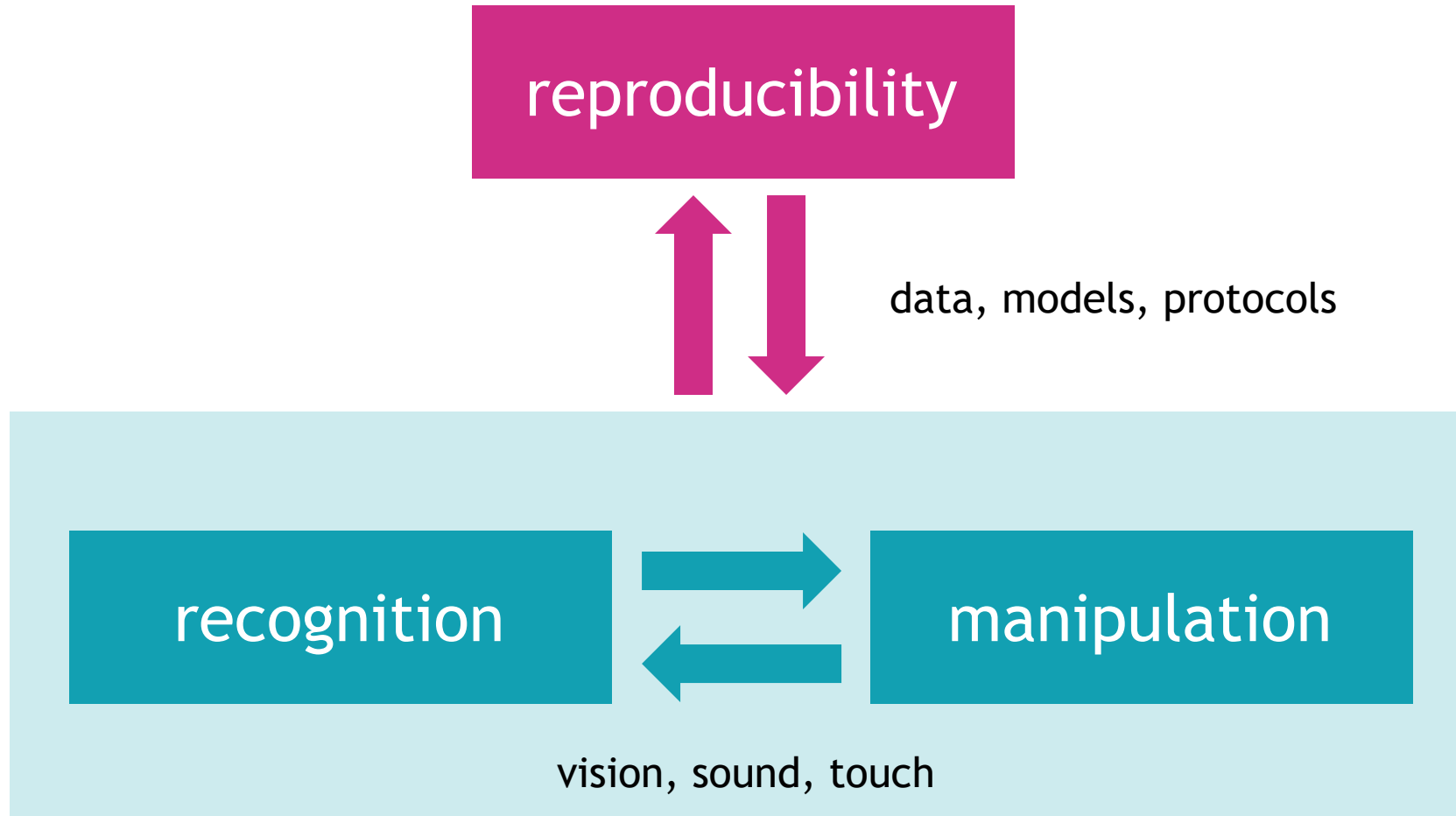
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Collaborative Object Recognition, Shared Manipulation And Learning

*ORMR (2019-2022) - Object Recognition and Manipulation by Robots:
data sharing and experiment reproducibility*

CHIST-ERA Conference 2020

Scope



Aims



- To create an **open dataset** and an **evaluation protocol** for the recognition and manipulation of **previously unseen object instances**
- To explore the fusion of **multiple sensing modalities** (touch + sound + vision) to accurately and robustly estimate the **physical properties** of objects in noisy and potentially ambiguous environments

The task





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Collaborative object recognition,
shared manipulation and learning



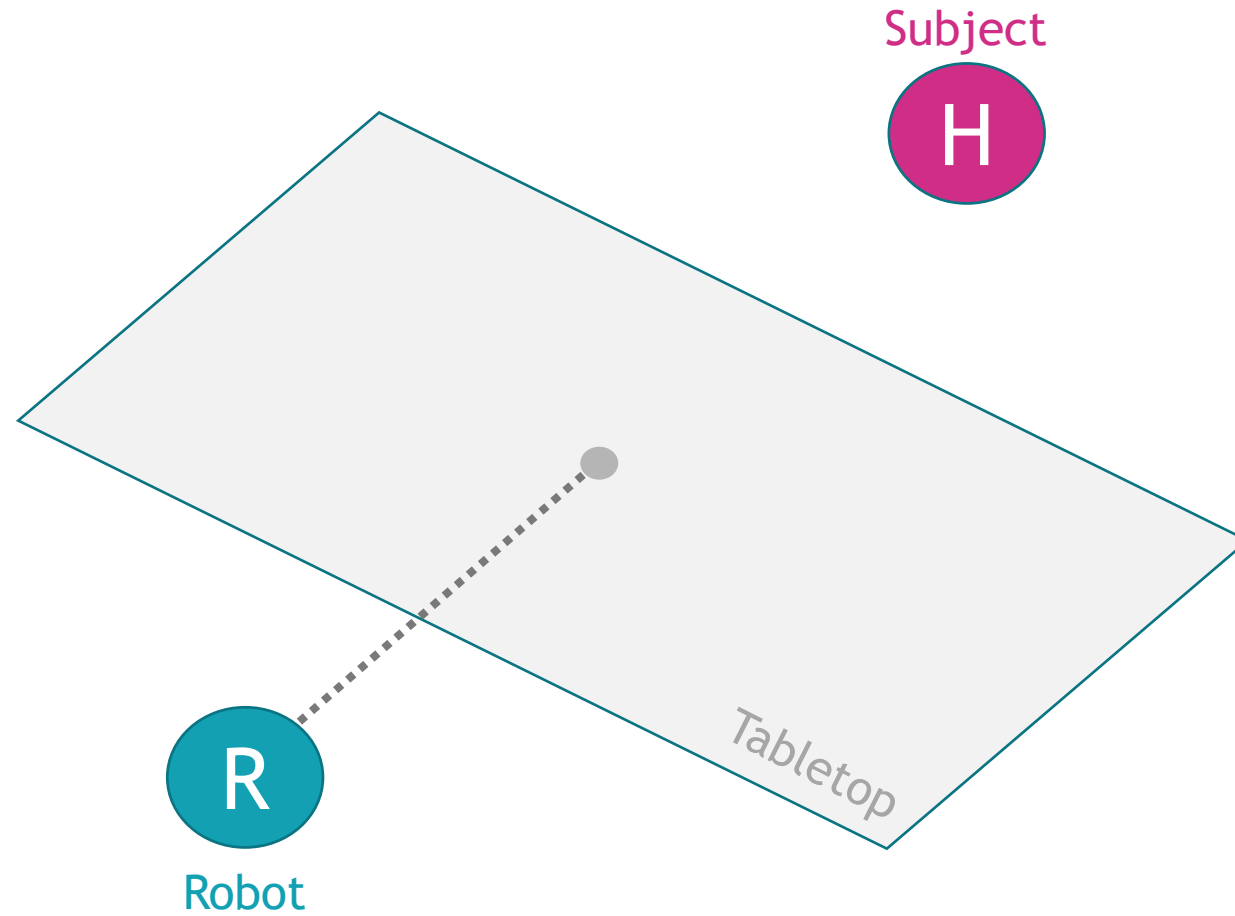
Challenges

Previously unseen object
instance (shape, material,
mass, and filling variability)

Variability in grasp type
and handover location

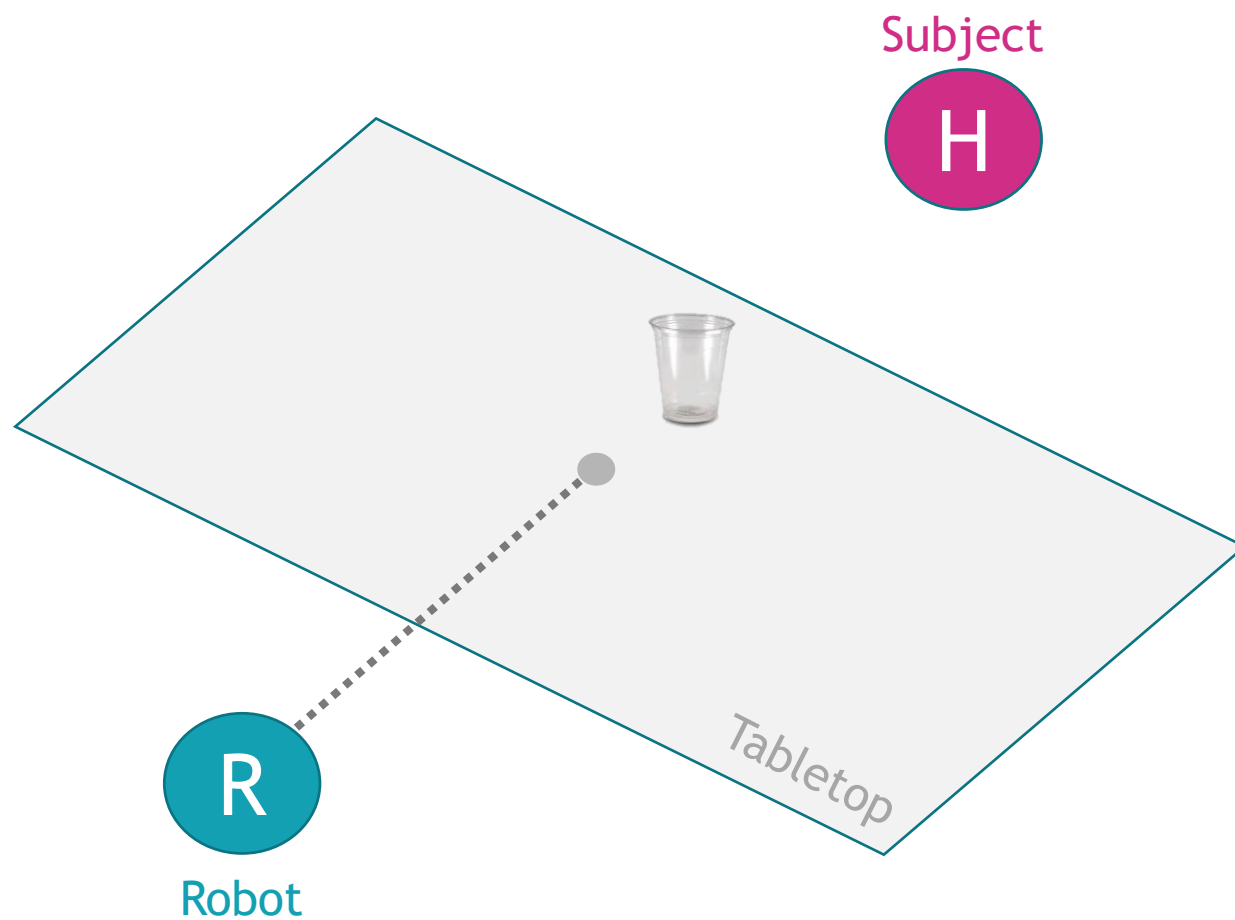
*The robot should be located so that the tabletop centre is at 40%-50% of the robot reachability

The setup

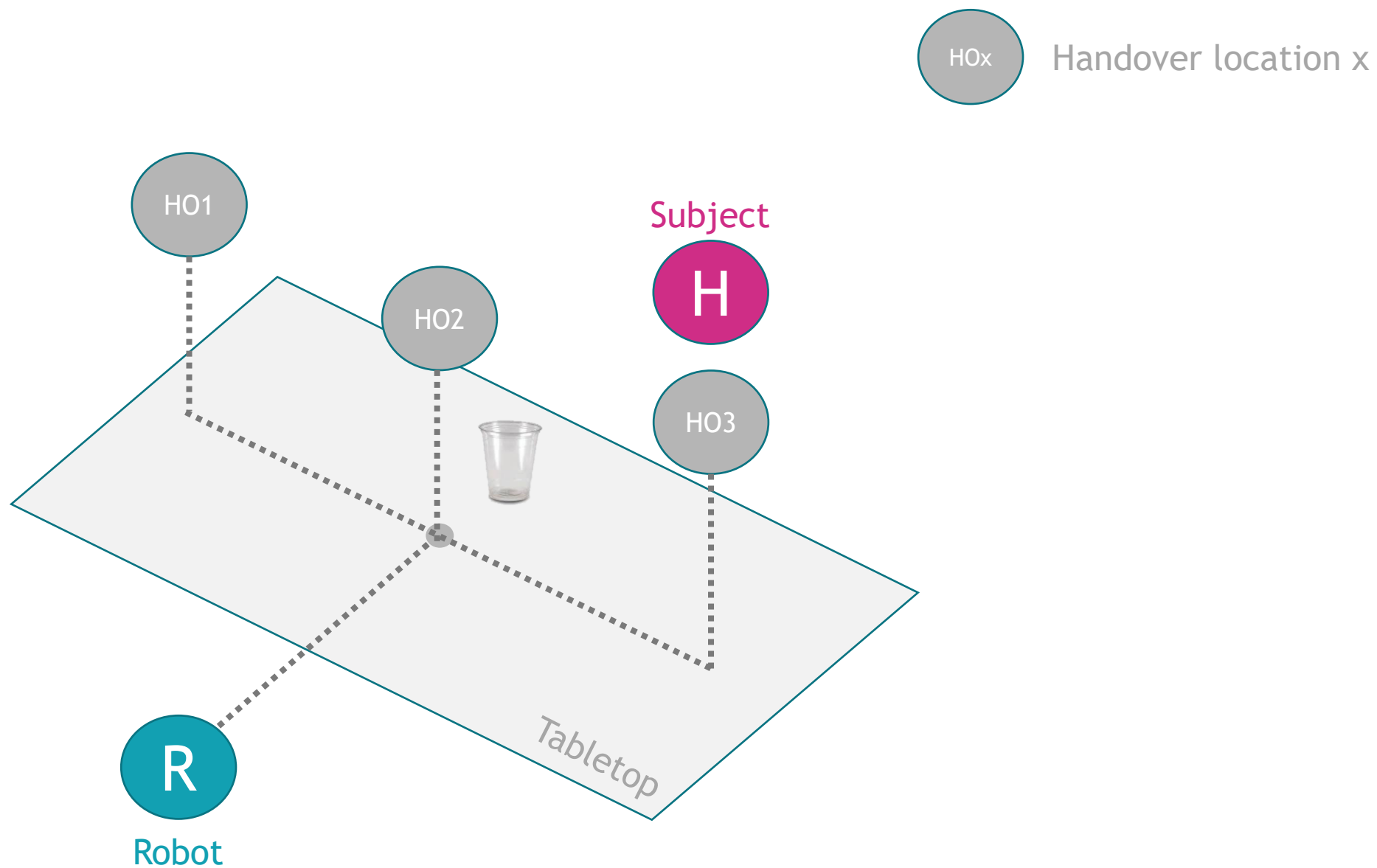


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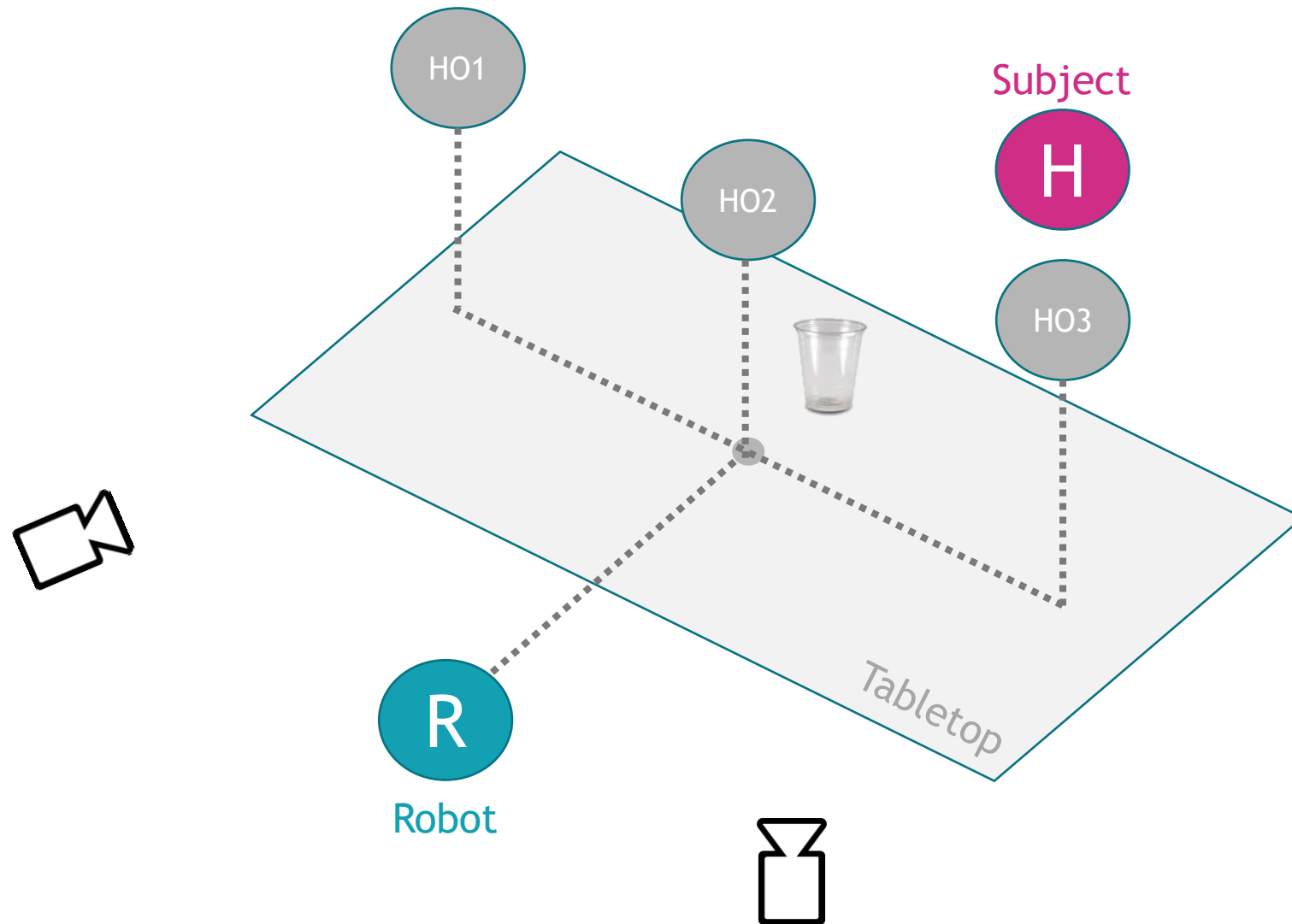
*Initial cup location at a pre-define location



The setup



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Sensing:

- up to two cameras
- [optional] force sensors
- [optional] tactile sensors
- [optional] proximity sensors

The objects

Cup 1



Cup 2



Cup 3



Cup 4



Deformability
Transparency

High
Medium

Medium
Low

Medium
High

None
High

Grasp types

Grasp 1



Grasp 2



Grasp 3



The CORSMAL benchmark

Objects: 4 cups with different transparencies and deformabilities

Filling: empty or 90% (rice)

Human subjects: 4

Human grasp types: bottom of cup, top of cup, natural (i.e. unconstrained)

Handover locations: in front, front-left, or front-right of robot

Total unique configurations: $4 \times 2 \times 4 \times 3 \times 3 = 288$

Evaluation scores

Vision scores

Object dimensions
Object fullness
Object mass

Robotic scores

Human-hand pose
End-effector pose
Object mass

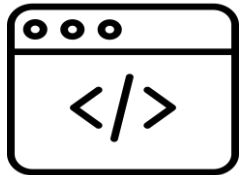
Global scores

Delivery location
Residual filling
Manoeuvring time

Benchmark: resources



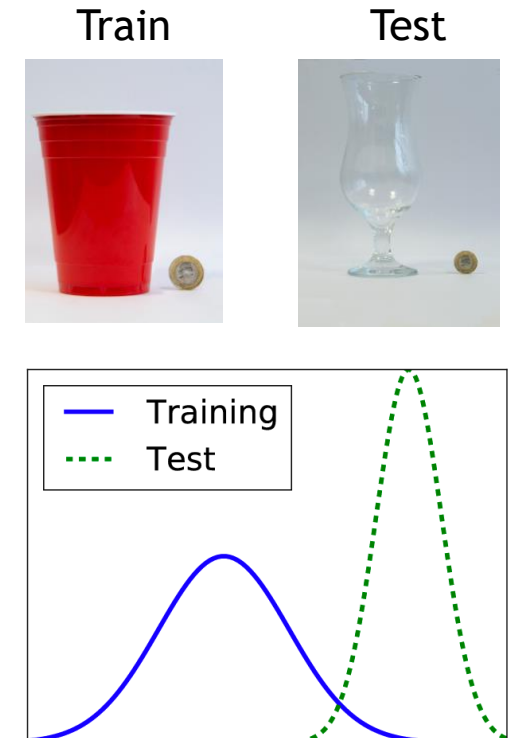
<http://corsmal.eecs.qmul.ac.uk/benchmark.html>



<https://github.com/CORSMAL/Benchmark>

Robustness of classifiers

- Objective
 - train on a constrained set → generalize in the physical world
 - however: train & deployment data distribution shift
=> poor generalization performance
- Identified problem
 - deep learning models may learn spurious correlations
- Solution
 - to eliminate unnecessary features that might cause such correlations
 - to mimic the human visual system: filter high frequencies in natural images (no need for data augmentation!) to improve robustness to specific distribution shifts



Redundant features can hurt robustness to distribution shift

Ortiz Jimenez, Modas, Moosavi Dezfooli, Frossard

Robustness & Uncertainty in Deep Learning Workshop, ICML, July 2020



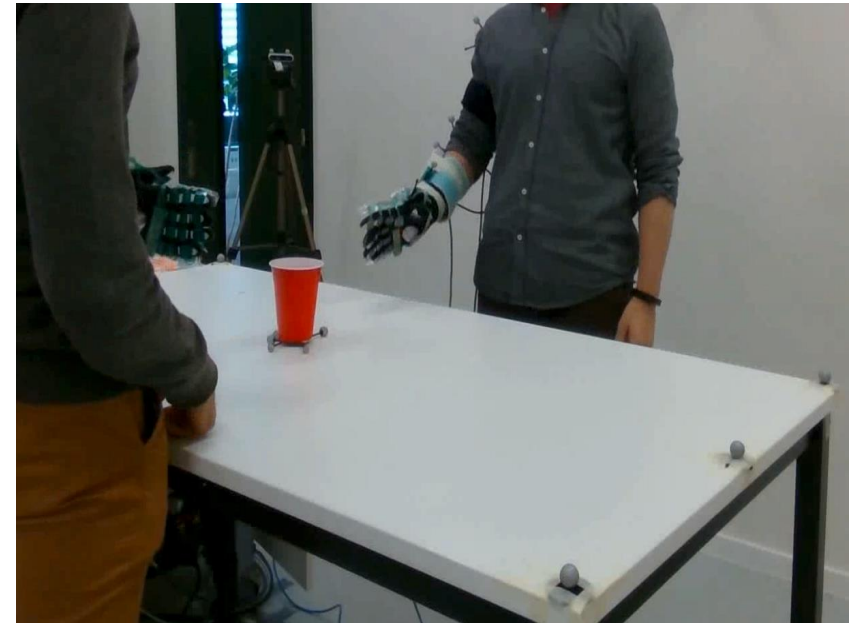
From human action understanding to robot action execution: how the physical properties of handled objects modulate non-verbal cues

Ferreira Duarte, Chatzilygeroudis, Santos-Victor, Billard

ICDL-EpiRob2020, October 2020

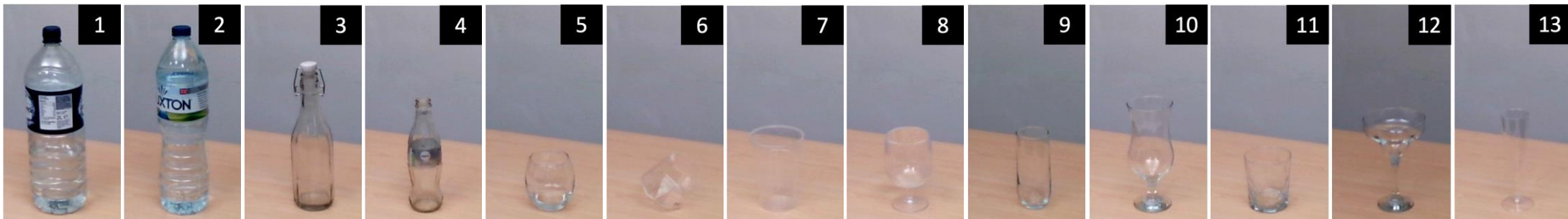
Human manipulation

- Actions
 - grasping from a table
 - manipulation
 - placing on the table
- Data (3 hours, 6 pairs of human subjects)
 - force sensors on the hand
 - position & orientation of shoulder, elbow, wrist
 - egocentric camera
 - two external RGB cameras
 - head-mounted eye-tracker (on one participant)
- Containers
 - empty
 - full (90% water)



CORSMAL Containers dataset

Transparent



Translucent



Opaque



CORSMAL Containers dataset

- **Data:** RGB, depth, stereo infrared
- **Containers:** cups, drinking glasses, bottles
- **Varying physical properties:** material, texture, transparency, shape



CORSMAL Containers dataset

Objects: 23 containers for liquids with different **transparencies**, shapes, materials

2 setups:

- office with natural light
- studio-like room with no windows

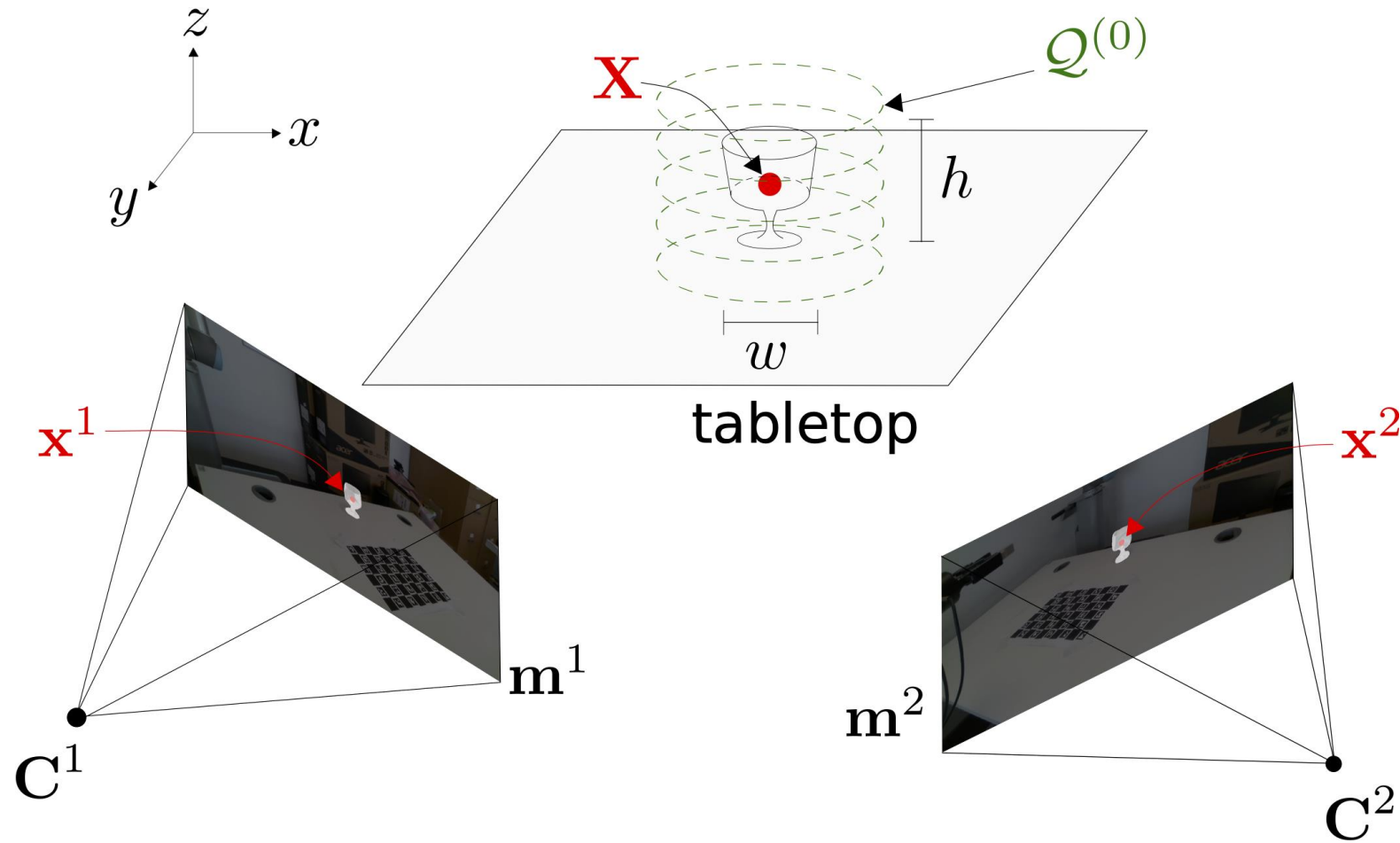
Configurations: (23) objects x (3) background x (3) **illuminations** = 207

Images: 1656 (414 RGB + 414 depth + 828 IR)

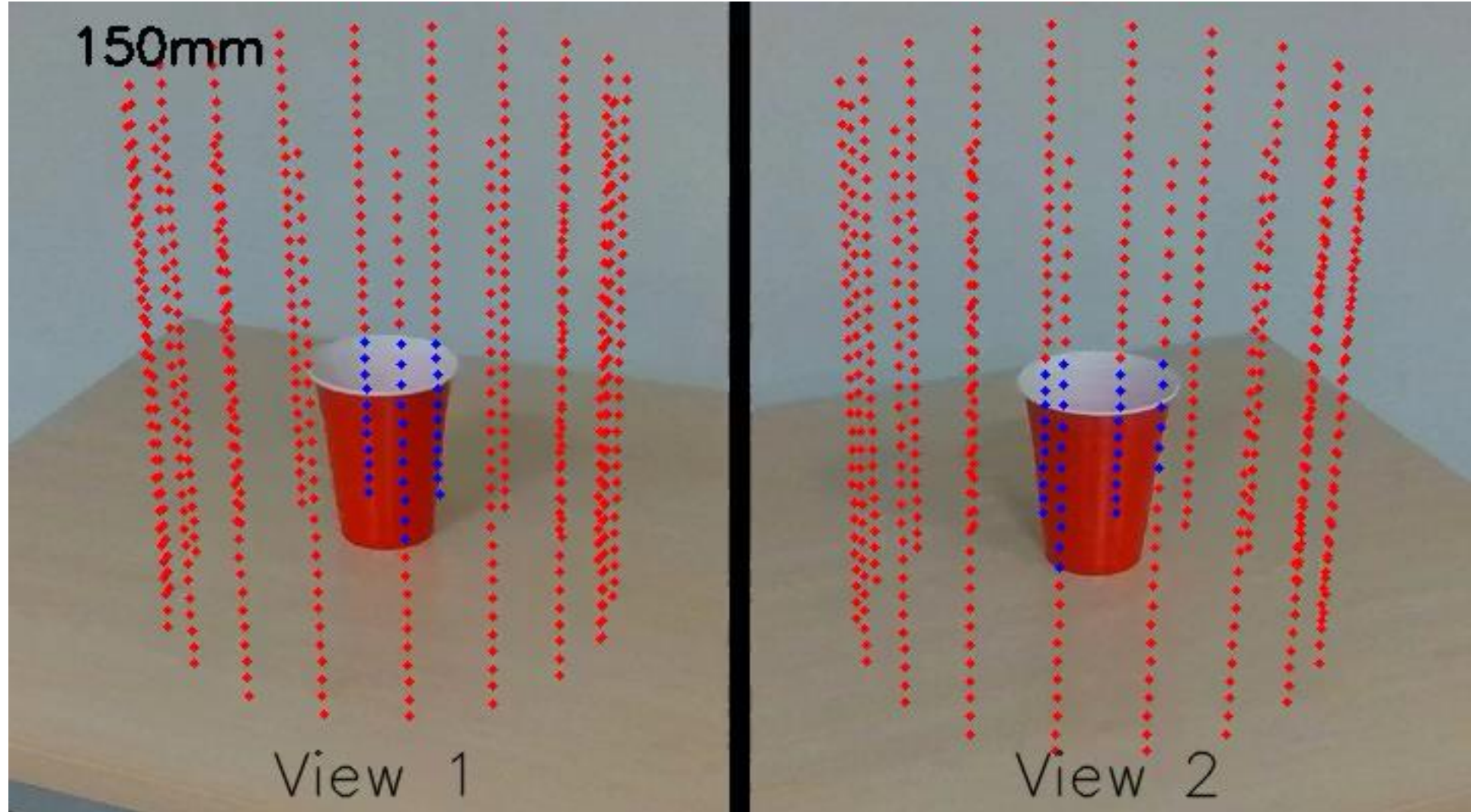
Calibrated cameras

Annotation of the dimensions (width and height) of each object

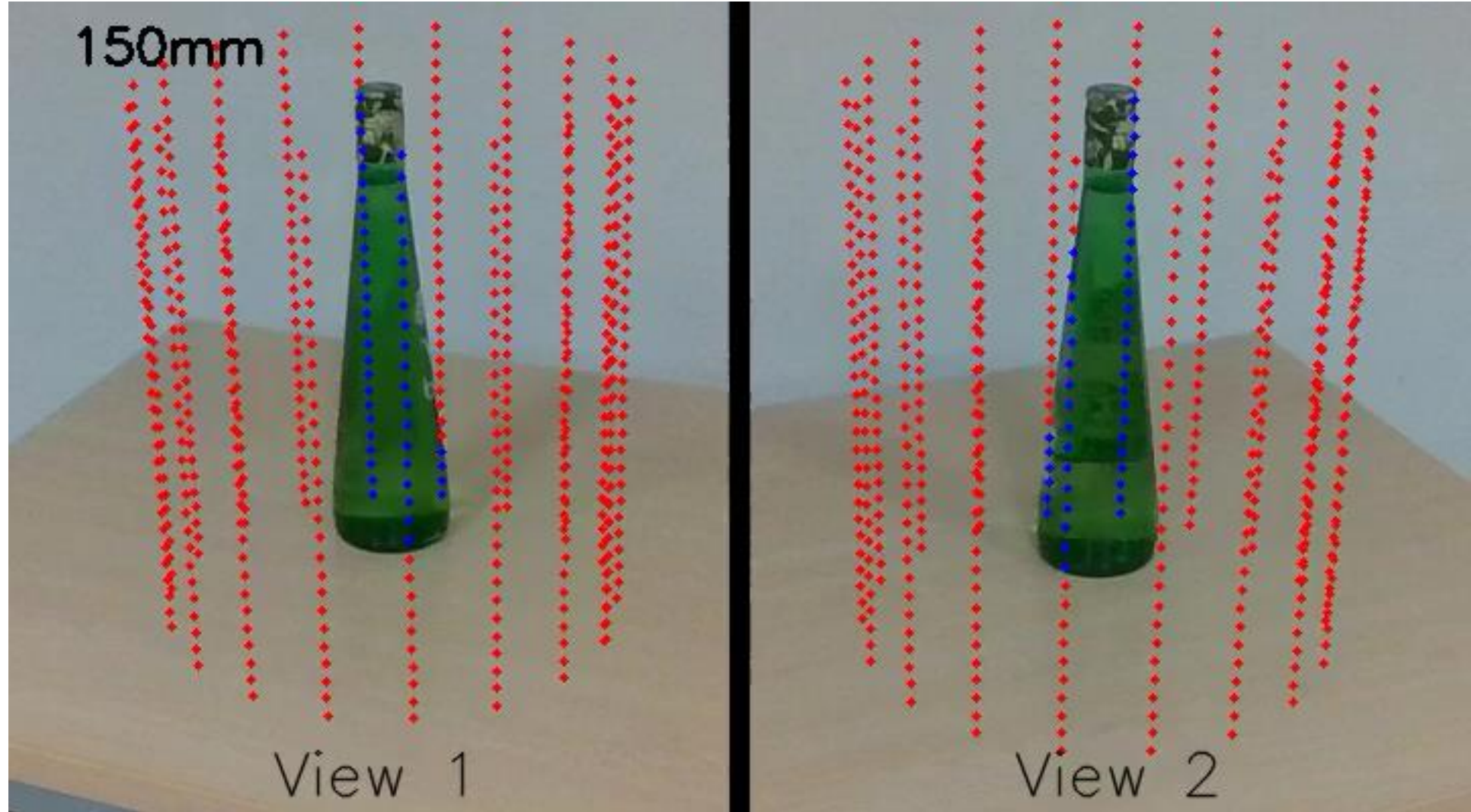
LoDE: Localisation and object Dimension Estimator



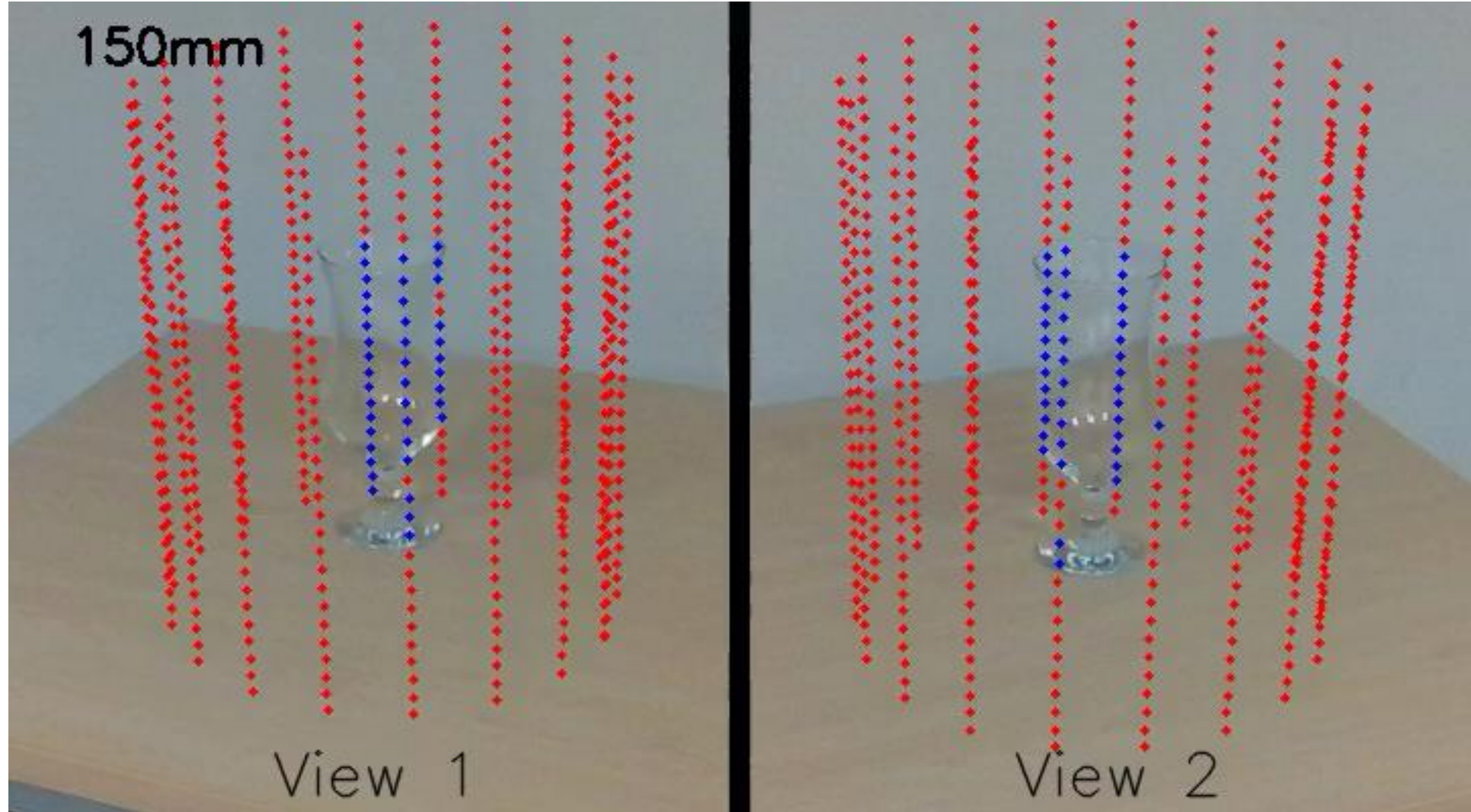
Iterative multi-view 3D-2D shape fitting



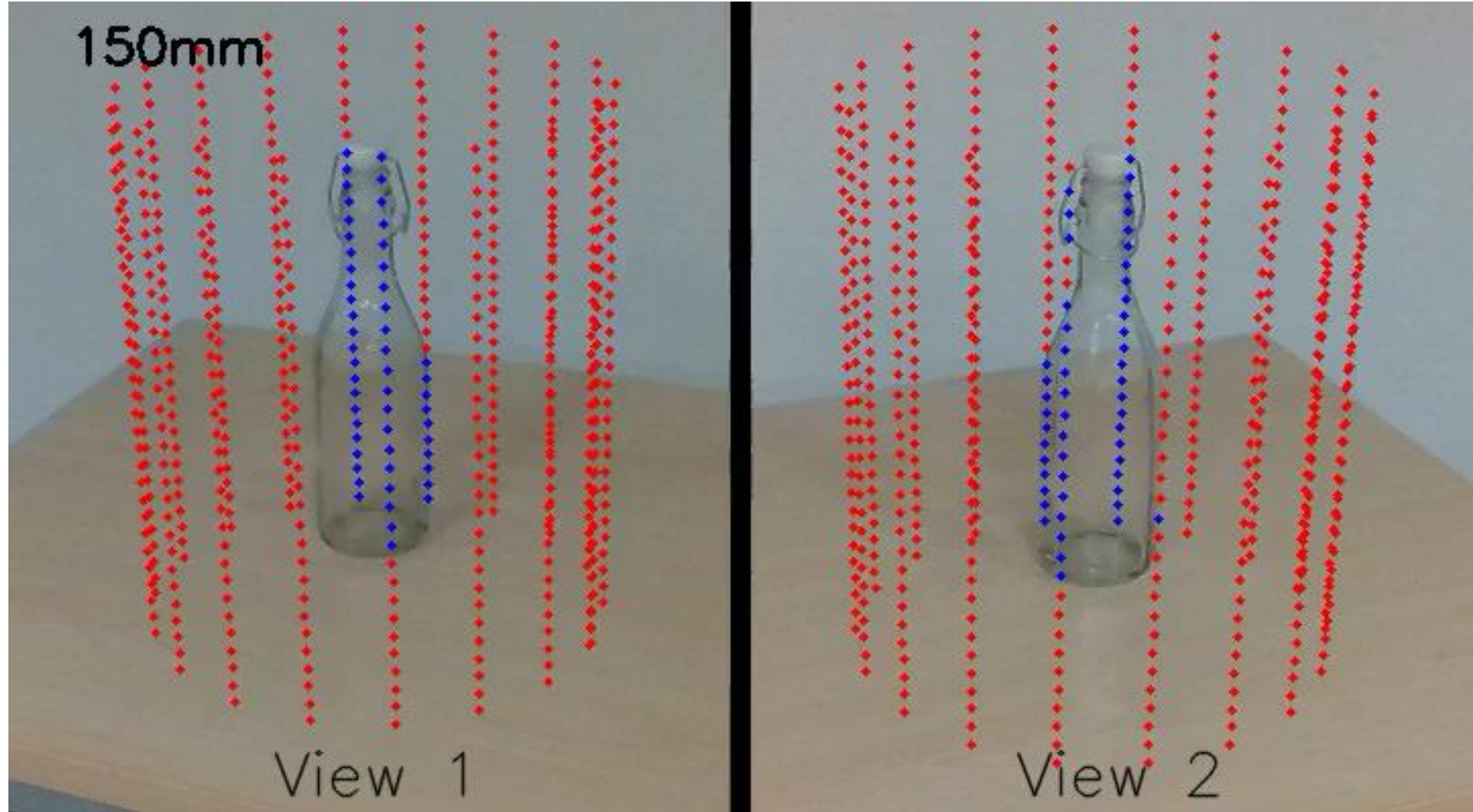
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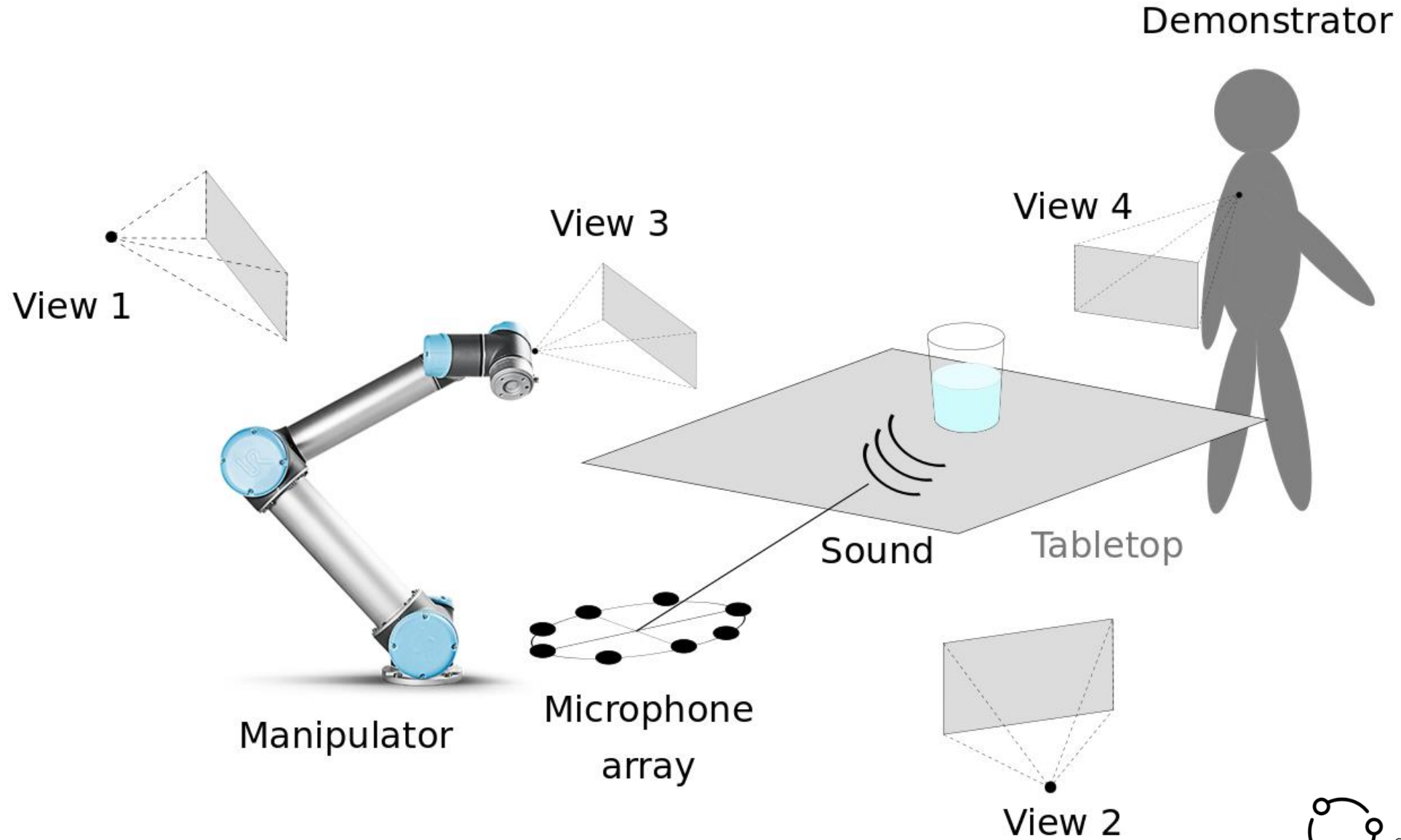
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CORSMAL Containers Manipulation dataset

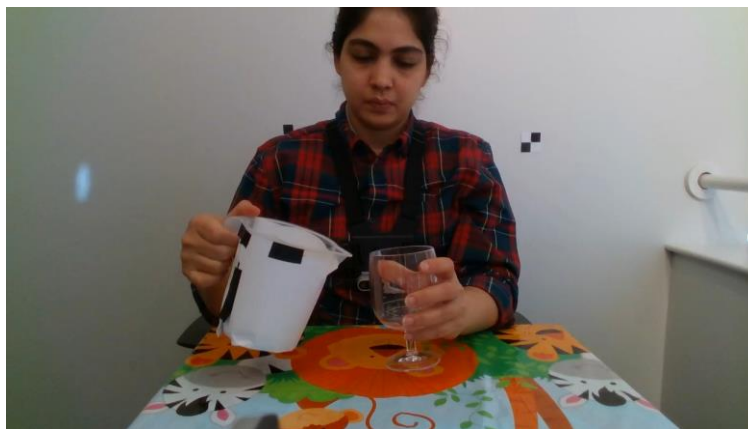
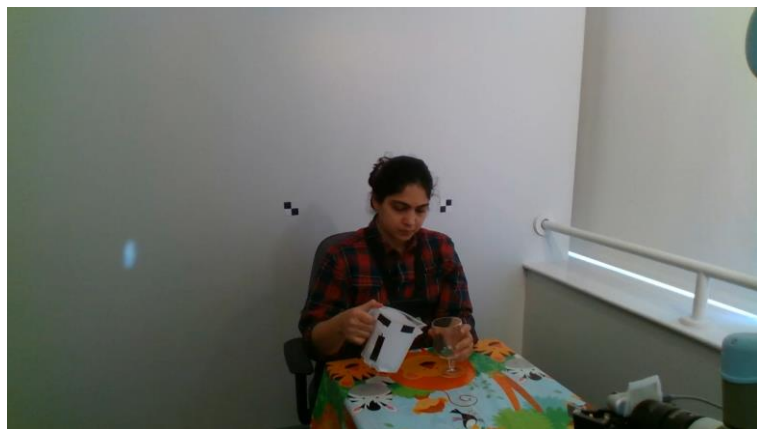


Object types



1-pound coin as reference size for the objects

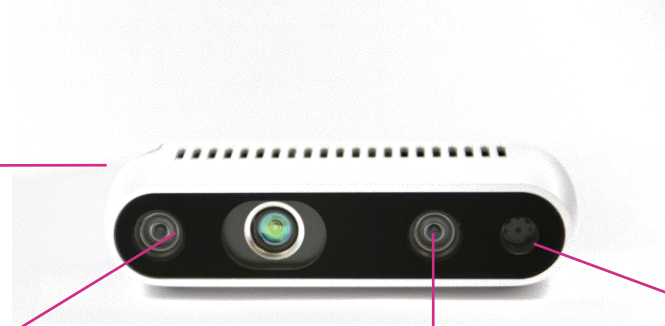
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Sensor data

Inertial measurements
accelerometer, gyroscope

Calibration information
intrinsic, extrinsic parameters



Infrared

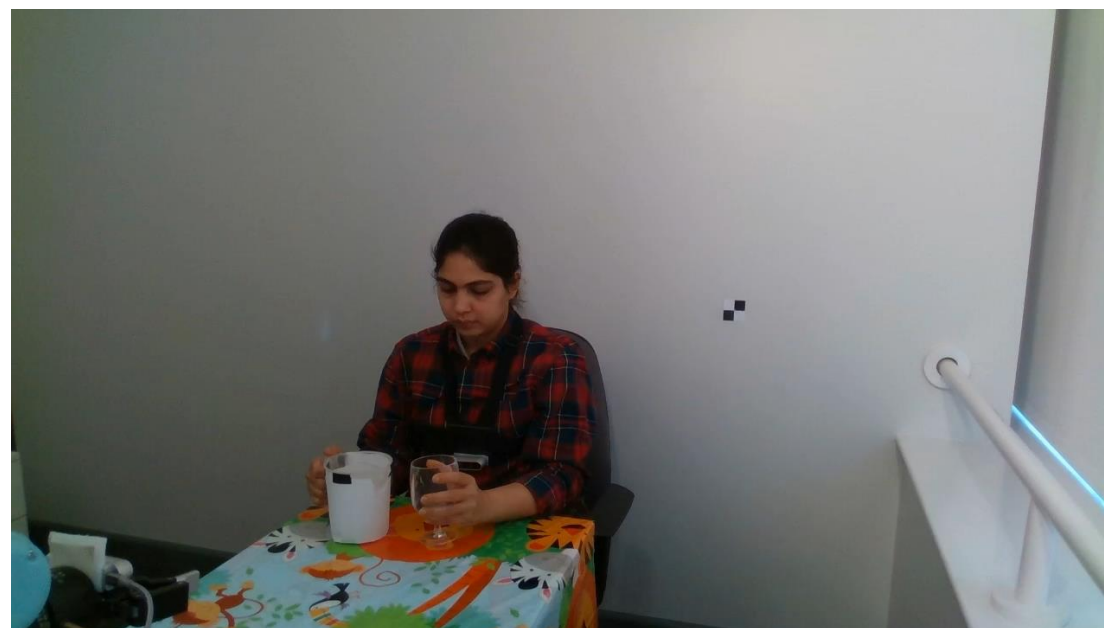
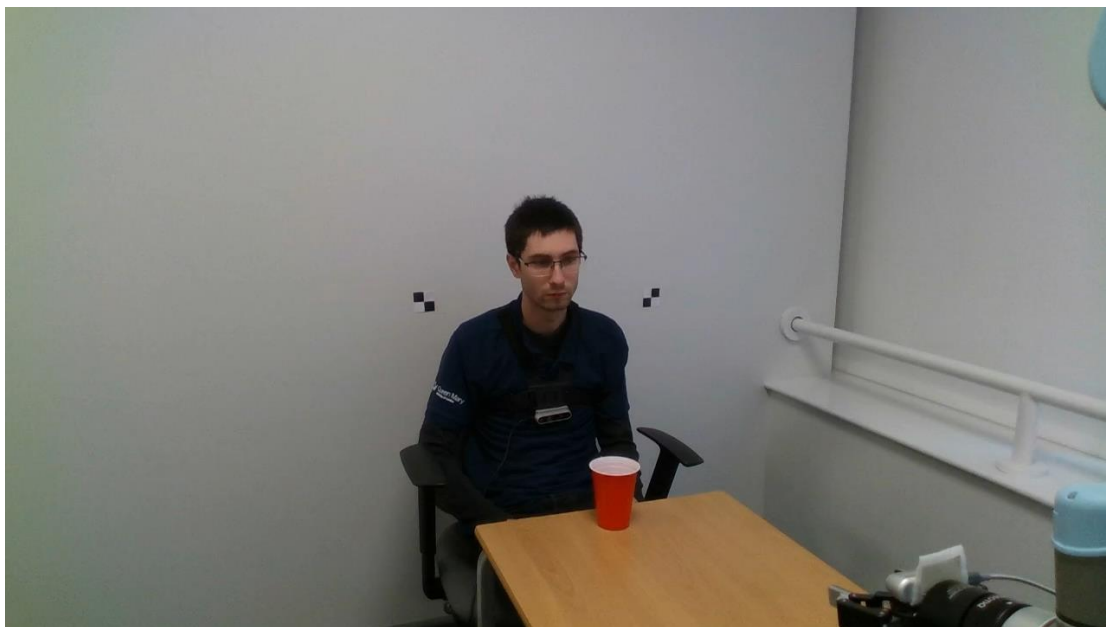
Infrared

RGB

Depth

RGB and depth images are **spatially aligned**

(1280x720 pixels, 30 Hz)



Video (RGB, IR, depth) + audio + inertial data with over 1,000 sequences

Summary

Benchmark for Human-to-Robot Handovers

- Protocol
- Baseline code + specific research modules

Datasets

- CORSMAL Containers dataset
- CORSMAL Containers Manipulation dataset

CORSMAL events at

- Intelligent Sensing Summer School 2019, 2020
- IEEE Int. Conf. on Multimedia and Expo 2020
- Int. Conf. on Pattern Recognition 2020

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