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CID-SIMS: Complex indoor dataset with semantic information and multi-sensor data from a ground wheeled robot viewpoint

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Abstract

Simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM) and 3D reconstruction have numerous applications for indoor ground wheeled robots such as floor sweeping and food delivery. To advance research in leveraging semantic information and multi-sensor data to enhance the performances of SLAM and 3D reconstruction in complex indoor scenes, we propose a novel and complex indoor dataset named CID-SIMS, where semantic annotated RGBD images, inertial measurement unit (IMU) measurements, and wheel odometer data are provided from a ground wheeled robot viewpoint. The dataset consists of 22 challenging sequences captured in nine different scenes including office building and apartment environments. Notably, our dataset achieves two significant breakthroughs. Firstly, semantic information and multi-sensor data are provided meanwhile for the first time. Secondly, GeoSLAM is utilized for the first time to generate ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds within two-centimeter accuracy. With spatial-temporal synchronous ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds, our dataset is capable of evaluating SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms in a unified global coordinate system. We evaluate state-of-the-art SLAM and 3D reconstruction approaches on our dataset, demonstrating that our benchmark is applicable. The dataset is publicly available on https://cid-sims.github.io.

Keywords

Dataset, ground wheeled robots, semantic segmentation, multi-sensor data, simultaneous localization and mapping, 3D reconstruction

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1. Introduction

Simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM) and 3D reconstruction are key problems in the field of mobile robotics (Appleton and Williams (2012); Hägele et al. (2016); Oleynikova et al. (2020); Wu et al. (2018)). With the advantages of convenience and low cost, vision-based approaches have received extensive researches (Davison et al. (2007); Forster et al. (2014); Mur-Artal et al. (2015); Schonberger and Frahm (2016); Moulon et al. (2016)). Complementing vision with other information, such as depth (Whelan et al. (2015); Mur-Artal and Tardós (2017); Chen et al. (2022); Li et al. (2022); Shi et al. (2023)), inertial measurement unit (IMU) (Mourikis and Roumeliotis (2007); Qin et al. (2018); Geneva et al. (2020); Campos et al. (2021); Wei et al. (2021a, 2022); Xu et al. (2023)), and prior semantic annotations (Rosinol et al. (2020); Fan et al. (2022); Zimmerman et al. (2022, 2023)), tremendously improves performances in accuracy and robustness, and thus has spawned much interest.

One of the most crucial factors for these advancements and interest can be attributed to the public data suites (Geiger et al. (2013); Burri et al. (2016); Schubert et al. (2018)). In order to fairly compare the performances of algorithms under the same metric, public benchmarks for evaluating SLAM and 3D reconstruction approaches are indispensable. Current

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public datasets for indoor scenes are mainly collected by unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) (Burri et al. (2016)) or handheld devices (Handa et al. (2014): Schubert et al. (2018)), which have 6-degree-of-freedom (6-DoF) motions. Existing solutions frequently perform poorly in practice because degenerate 3D motions reduce the observability of SLAM systems, thereby leading to performance degradation (Wu et al. (2017)). Therefore, these 6-DoF datasets are not suitable for evaluating the performances of SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms under 3-DoF motions, which are commonplace for ground wheeled robots. Furthermore, many commercial ground wheeled robots^{2,3} can only observe environments with a low camera viewpoint. The data from them has more regions on floors and hence has much noise, which increases the challenge for existing algorithms. In this situation, the combination of multi-sensor and multivariate information is important (Zhang et al. (2019); Zhou et al. (2019); Wei et al. (2021b); Liu et al. (2022)). Although wheel odometer data has been shown to be crucial for accurate and robust localization of ground wheeled robots in many publications (Wu et al. (2017); Zhang et al. (2019); Liu et al. (2019); Zhuang (2021)), few indoor datasets provide wheel odometer data. In addition, semantic information is increasingly used to improve the accuracy and robustness of SLAM and 3D reconstruction tasks (Lianos et al. (2018); Rosinol et al. (2020); Fan et al. (2022); Schmid et al. (2022)). However, semantic SLAM and 3D reconstruction researchers struggle with evaluating and comparing their results due to the lack of specific benchmarks with semantic information. They usually need to obtain semantic information through modern deep-learning methods, which greatly increases the workload.

For the above considerations, the existing datasets are not sufficient for thorough evaluations of SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms with different inputs, such as the combination of RGBD images and odometer data. In this paper, for the researches of SLAM and 3D reconstruction in complex indoor scenes for ground wheeled robots, we present a novel and complex indoor benchmark that contains multi-sensor data, semantic information, accurate ground truth trajectories, and 3D point clouds. We select two viewpoints to capture images. The low-viewpoint simulates extremely low robots, such as sweeping floor robots.^{2,3} The high viewpoint simulates other service robots, such as food delivery robots.³ The dataset consists of 22 sequences from nine different scenes in office building and apartment environments, covering highly diverse scenes such as office rooms, bedrooms, and long corridors. Some challenging settings are also designed in the dataset, ranging from different visual conditions (e.g., motion blurs, illumination changes, and weak textures) to different motion modes (e.g., fast motions and straight line motions). Figure 1 exhibits the data information of a sequence. Each sequence provides aligned color and depth images with the resolution of 640 × 480 at 30 Hz, 6-axis IMU measurements at 200 Hz and wheel odometer data at 20 Hz. For trajectory evaluation, we provide accurate 6-DoF

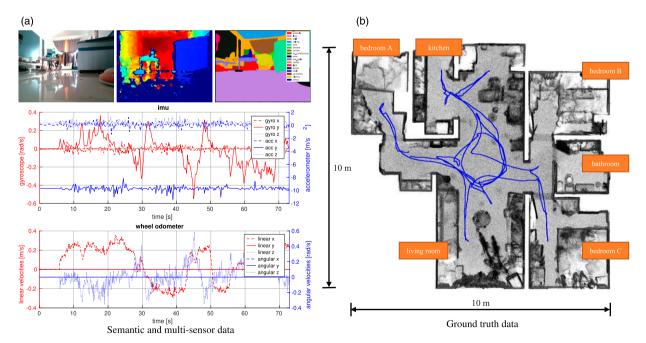


Figure 1. Data information of sequence Apartment1_1. The trajectory length is 66 m and the duration is 300 s. (a) The top row shows a color image, an aligned depth image and the corresponding semantic segmentation result. The middle and the bottom rows show 6-axis IMU data and 6-axis wheel odometer data over time, respectively. For clarity, only the first 70 s are displayed. (b) The ground truth trajectory (blue line) and the 3D point cloud (top view) are depicted in a unified coordinate system.

camera poses at a high frequency of 100 Hz over the whole sequence. For 3D reconstruction evaluation, we provide a dense 3D point cloud for each scene. Furthermore, 2D segmentation results including a total of 45 semantic classes are provided for the images in our dataset. All the sensors are well calibrated and aligned with the ground truth to ensure that the proposed dataset can be used directly for evaluating SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms.

The motivation for this work is to move toward a more comprehensive assessment of SLAM and 3D reconstruction approaches with different inputs. Compared with other benchmarks, our dataset provides rich multi-sensor data including RGBD images, IMU measurements, and wheel odometer data in indoor scenes from a ground wheeled robot viewpoint. To generate ground truth trajectories on the entire sequences and 3D point clouds for both SLAM and 3D reconstruction tasks, we choose GeoSLAM, a mobile 3D laser scanner within two-centimeter accuracy that is in small size, flexible to assemble and suitable for various difficult environments. It empowers users to capture accurate scans and intricate details from the surrounding environments and can simultaneously output the device's trajectory. GeoSLAM is widely employed in industrial applications and can achieve accurate, stable and reliable performances (Fei et al. (2019)). We also evaluate it and find the consistent accuracy and reliability. Furthermore, 2D semantic information is available for evaluating semantics-driven methods. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first indoor benchmark that combines multi-sensor data with semantic information and meanwhile provides ground truth of both trajectories and 3D point clouds. The dataset can be downloaded from https://cid-sims.github.io.

The main contributions of this work are summarized as follows:

- Semantic information and rich multi-sensor data including RGBD images, IMU measurements, and wheel odometer data in complex indoor scenes are furnished firstly for a ground wheeled robot.
- Considering accuracy and portability, we employ Geo-SLAM to simultaneously obtain the ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds within two-centimeter accuracy for the first time.
- We evaluate state-of-the-art SLAM approaches, including SVO2 (Forster et al. (2017)), VINS-Mono (Qin et al. (2018)), VINS-RGBD (Shan et al. (2019)), OpenVINS (Geneva et al. (2020)), ORBSLAM3 (Campos et al. (2021)), and VIW-Fusion (Zhuang (2021)), and 3D reconstruction approaches including ElasticFusion (Whelan et al. (2015; 2016)), InfiniTAM (Kähler et al. (2016)), BAD-SLAM (Schops et al. (2019)), Voxblox (Grinvald et al. (2019)), and Kimera (Rosinol et al. (2020)) on our dataset and sufficiently analyze the experimental results.

The rest of the paper is structured as follows. Section 2 summarizes the currently open datasets and compares them with our dataset. Section 3 describes the configuration of the sensor system for acquiring data. Section 4 introduces the calibration process for the sensors equipped on our data acquisition robots. Section 5 explains the structure of the dataset. Section 6 displays the experimental results of state-of-the-art SLAM and 3D reconstruction methods on our dataset. Finally, Section 7 discusses the conclusion and future directions of this study.

2. Related work

For indoor scenes, several datasets have been released to facilitate visual SLAM and 3D reconstruction researches. We briefly review the most relevant datasets in Table 1.

2.1. Datasets with multiple sensors

The TUM VI dataset (Schubert et al. (2018)) consists of stereo gray images and IMU sequences collected with a handheld device. Similar to our benchmark, a few datasets are targeted at ground wheeled robots. The TUM RGBD dataset (Sturm et al. (2012)) is partly collected by a ground wheeled robot in an office and an industrial hall. It only contains RGBD sequences from a Microsoft Kinect. The VCU RVI benchmark (Zhang et al. (2020)) provides sequences using ground wheeled robots with RGBD images and 6-axis IMU measurements in various indoor environments. Due to the limitation of motion capture equipment. the ground truth camera poses are partially valid for long trajectories. M2DGR (Yin et al. (2021)) is collected by a ground wheeled robot with a rich sensor suite including five kinds of cameras, IMUs, LiDAR, and navigation signals. The ground truth trajectories are obtained with a motion capture system for indoor environments and a laser tracker for outdoor environments. The OpenLORIS-Scene Datasets (Shi et al. (2020)) are collected with commodity sensors (RGBD cameras, a LiDAR, IMUs, and wheel odometers) to facilitate the study of SLAM within long-term constantly changing environments. Currently, there are very few indoor datasets containing wheel odometer data.

2.2. Datasets for SLAM and 3D reconstruction

Constrainedly, the above benchmarks are not suitable for comprehensively evaluating 3D reconstruction algorithms since they do not provide any information about the scene geometry. Without the 3D models of the scenes, these datasets can only be used to evaluate the localization of a SLAM algorithm, regardless of the mapping. There are currently a few public benchmarks specifically for evaluating SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms meanwhile. The ICL-NUIM dataset (Handa et al. (2014)) is synthetic for benchmarking visual odometry, SLAM, and surface reconstruction with exact ground truth trajectories and surface models. CoRBS (Wasenmüller et al. (2016)) is the first to

Table 1. Comparison of Datasets for SLAM and 3D Reconstruction.

Dataset	Environment	Carriers	Cameras	IMU	Odometer	Trajectory	Scene model	Semantic
TUM RGBD	Indoors	Handheld/	RGBD	×	×	√	×	×
Sturm et al. (2012)		Robot						
ICL NUIM	Synthetic	Handheld	RGBD	×	×	\checkmark	O	×
Handa et al. (2014)	-							
EuRoC MAV	Indoors	MAV	Stereo gray		×	\checkmark	O	×
Burri et al. (2016)								
CoRBS	Indoors	Handheld	RGBD	×	×	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	×
Wasenmüller et al. (2016)								
ScanNet	Indoors	Handheld	RGBD		×	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Dai et al. (2017)								
Robot@Home	Indoors	Robot	RGBD	×	×	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Ruiz-Sarmiento et al. (2017)								
TUM VI	In-/Outdoors	Handheld	Stereo gray		×	O	×	×
Schubert et al. (2018)								
ADVIO	In-/Outdoors	Handheld	RGB		×	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	×
Reina et al. (2018)								
Replica	Indoors	Handheld	Wide-angle/		×	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Straub et al. (2019)			RGBD/Grayscale					
VCU RVI	Indoors	Handheld/	RGBD		×	О	×	×
Zhang et al. (2020)		Robot						
OpenLORIS	Indoors	Robot	Stereo fisheye/		$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	×	×
Shi et al. (2020)			RGBD					
M2DGR	In-/Outdoors	Robot	Fisheye/Sky-point/		×	\checkmark	×	×
Yin et al. (2021)			Pinhole/Event/ Infrad					
Hilti-Oxford	In-/Outdoors	Handheld	Fisheye cameras		×	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	×
Zhang et al. (2023)			-					
OURS	Indoors	Robot/ Handheld	RGBD	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$

Scene model refers to any form of the 3D geometry of the scene, such as 3D point cloud, and mesh. O means that the item is partially available.

provide the combination of real depth and color data with ground truth camera trajectories and 3D models. The Eu-RoC MAV dataset (Burri et al. (2016)) consists of 11 indoor sequences recorded with a VI (Visual-Inertial) sensor from a Micro Aerial Vehicle (MAV), providing ground truth poses and 3D point clouds from a motion capture system and a laser tracker. ADVIO (Reina et al. (2018)) and Hilti-Oxford (Zhang et al. (2023)) provide both ground truth camera trajectories and scene geometries with handheld devices. However, sequences provided in these datasets are short and limited to small rooms.

2.3. Datasets with semantic information

Indoor semantic segmentation has enabled breakthroughs for several tasks such as objection segmentation and scene understanding. The NYU v2 dataset (Nathan Silberman and Fergus (2012)) offers RGBD images capturing 464 diverse indoor scenes with detailed annotations. ScanNet (Dai et al. (2017)) is annotated with 3D camera poses, surface reconstructions, and semantic segmentations in the context of

RGBD scene understanding. The Replica Dataset (Straub et al. (2019)) collects time-aligned raw IMU, RGB, depth, and wide-angle grayscale sensor data. It can serve as a generative model for benchmarking SLAM and dense reconstruction systems. In addition, Robot@Home (Ruiz-Sarmiento et al. (2017)) provides observations from a mobile robot with four RGBD cameras and a 2D laser scanner, including 3D reconstructions and 2D geometric maps of the inspected rooms, which are both annotated with the ground truth categories of the surveyed rooms and objects. We provide 2D semantic annotations concentrating on SLAM and 3D reconstruction tasks for ground wheeled robots in real indoor scenes.

In summary, the aforementioned datasets are not complete because of lacking rich sensory sources, missing entire ground truth trajectories or 3D point clouds, no semantic information, and insufficient challenges for 3-DoF motions. To address all these issues, we release a novel benchmark for indoor ground wheeled robot navigation, containing sufficient data sequences with semantic information and multi-sensor data. More importantly, we provide entire trajectories and 3D point clouds as ground truths.

3. Sensor setup

In this section, we introduce the data acquisition equipment. We design a ground wheeled robot equipped with an RGBD-IW (an RGBD camera, an IMU, and a wheel odometer) sensor suite for data acquisition. In order to obtain ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds, a high-precision 3D laser scanner called Geo-SLAM is fixed on the top of the robot. In addition, to enrich the dataset, two different viewpoints (high and low) are selected for capturing images. Figure 2 illustrates the robot setup, the coordinate systems of all sensors, and two different viewpoints for the RGBD camera.

3.1. RGBD camera

The Intel RealSense D455, a global shutter RGBD camera, is chosen to capture aligned RGB images and depth maps with the resolution of 640×480 pixels at 30 fps. The ideal depth range is 0.6 m to 6 m from the image plane, and the error is less than 2% within 4 m.⁵

3.2. IMU

The RealSense D455 integrates an IMU (Bosch BMI055) to provide 3-axis accelerometer and 3-axis gyroscope measurements at 200 Hz. The resolutions of the accelerometer and the gyroscope are 0.98 mg and 0.004°/s and the noise densities are 150 $\mu g/\sqrt{Hz}$ and 0.014 °/ s/\sqrt{Hz} , respectively.

3.3. Wheel odometer

The WHEELTEC R550 (DIFF) PLUS supports the movement of our data acquisition equipment. Two differential wheels are mounted on a common axis (baseline) and each of them is equipped with a giant magnetoresistive (GMR) high-precision encoder, which provides local angular rate readings. Both wheel encoders have the resolution of 500 pulses per round and support a maximum speed of 1.2 m/s and a maximum load capacity of 4 kg.⁶

Using the angular rate readings, we can solve for the linear velocities v and angular velocities ω at the center of the baseline by the following equations:

$$v = \frac{r_l \omega_l + r_r \omega_r}{2}, \omega = \frac{r_r \omega_r - r_l \omega_l}{a}, \tag{1}$$

where ω_l , ω_r are angular rate readings of the wheels, r_l , r_r are the corresponding radii, and a denotes the baseline length. The wheel odometer measurements are logged at 20 Hz.

3.4. 3D laser scanner

We are the first to use GeoSLAM ZEB Horizon, ¹ a handheld 3D LiDAR scanner with powerful offline SLAM technology, to generate precise ground truth trajectories and dense point clouds for large-scale indoor environments. Geo-SLAM can collect 300,000 points per second. It provides trajectories at 100 Hz, which are in the same coordinate system as the corresponding 3D point clouds. With an effective range of 100 m, the GeoSLAM ZEB Horizon achieves a 1-sigma accuracy of 6 mm and 19 mm at

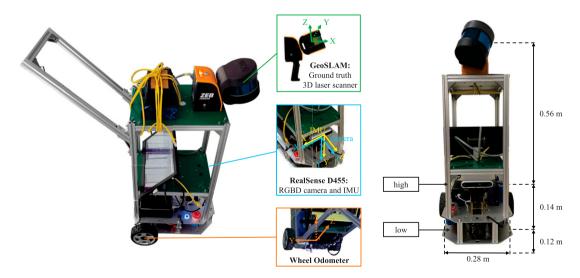


Figure 2. Data acquisition robot. The RealSense D455 is responsible for collecting aligned color and depth images, while the built-in IMU collects 3-axis acceleration and 3-axis gyroscope data. The wheel odometer provides 3-axis linear velocity and 3-axis angular velocity at the midpoint of the baseline of the two wheels. The 3D laser scanner (GeoSLAM) acquires ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds.

2-sigma. Figure 3 shows an example of the *z*-axis coordinates changing over time in a long trajectory. Taking advantage of the fact that the robot moves on the ground, the *z*-axis coordinate varying within 0.008 m on average reflects the validity and accuracy of the ground truth in our dataset. A detailed analysis of the GeoSLAM's accuracy can be found in their accuracy report.⁷

4. Calibration

Our benchmark provides accurate intrinsic and extrinsic calibration parameters and time synchronization among different sensors and GeoSLAM. In this section, we describe the calibration process. Table 2 summarizes the parameters and the calibration tools. All the parameters are reported in *calibration.yaml*.

4.1. Camera intrinsic calibration

For camera intrinsic calibration (Liebowitz and Zisserman (1998); Zhang (2000); Furgale et al. (2013)), we record image sequences with 6-DoF motions in front of an ArUco marker board (Romero-Ramirez et al. (2018)). Using the Kalibr toolbox (Furgale et al. (2013)), the intrinsic parameters of the camera, including focal length, optical center, and distortion parameters, are calibrated based on the

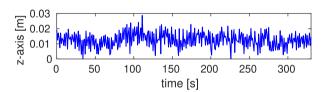


Figure 3. Z-axis coordinate of a GeoSLAM trajectory when the robot is moving on the ground plane.

pinhole camera model and the radial-tangential distortion model.

4.2. IMU intrinsic calibration

For IMU intrinsic calibration, we record static IMU sequences at 200 Hz for more than 3 h. By means of the Kalibr (Furgale et al. (2013)) toolbox, the intrinsic parameters including noise densities and random walk biases are calibrated based on the assumption that the IMU measurements are perturbed by a rapidly fluctuating additive Gaussian noise (white noise) and a slowly varying random walk noise (bias).

4.3. Camera-IMU extrinsic calibration

The RGBD camera and the IMU are time-synchronized under the same clock system. To make the calibration fully observable, we ensure sufficient rotational and accelerated motions in camera-IMU sequences in front of an ArUco marker board. The transformation matrix T_c^b (from the RGBD camera coordinate system to the IMU coordinate system) is estimated by Furgale et al. (2013).

4.4. Camera-wheel odometer extrinsic calibration

4.4.1. Time synchronization. Motivated by Usenko et al. (2020), we compare gyroscope readings from the IMU sensor with angular readings from the wheel odometer to obtain the optimal time offset since the gyroscope y-axis data and the wheel odometer z-axis data tend to change in opposite directions during the motion. In particular, we iterate over a time interval to find the initially optimal time compensation corresponding to the minimum error, which is defined as the difference between two matching readings.

Table 2	Calibration	Parameters	and	Tools
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Sensors	Parameters	Tools		
Camera	Focal length (f_x, f_y) Optical center (c_x, c_y) Distortion parameters k_1, k_2, d_1, d_2	Furgale et al. (2013)		
IMU	Noise density σ_g , σ_a Random walk bias b_g , b_a	Furgale et al. (2013)		
Camera-IMU	Time offset Transformation matrix T_c^b	Furgale et al. (2013)		
Wheel odometer	Wheel radius r_l , r_r Baseline length a	Dongfu Zhu (2019)		
Camera-Odometer	Time offset Transformation matrix T_c^o	Usenko et al. (2020) Dongfu Zhu (2019)		
Camera-GeoSLAM	Time offset Transformation matrix T_c^g	Usenko et al. (2020) Tsai et al. (1989)		

Afterward, by fitting a quadratic curve with 20 error values in the neighborhood around the minimum error, the final time offset corresponding to the lowest point of the curve is obtained at the level of 10^{-3} seconds. We have corrected the time delay already for each sequence in our dataset, so no further action is required by users. Figure 4(a) and (b) show an example of the two-step synchronization result.

4.4.2. Spacial calibration. We record camera-IMU-wheel odometer sequences by moving the acquisition device on the ground and making the camera orient to a fixed checkerboard with a grid size of 10×10 . After time synchronization, the intrinsic and extrinsic parameters of the wheel odometer are estimated together using the method proposed in Dongfu Zhu (2021).

4.5. Camera-3D laser scanner extrinsic calibration

4.5.1. Time synchronization. For each sequence, we perform a coarse-to-fine time alignment between the IMU and GeoSLAM. Since no Network Time Protocol (NTP) exists between GeoSLAM and our control computer, a coarse adjustment is conducted by aligning the start frame of the IMU measurements and the ground truth poses. For fine synchronization, we compute the optimal time using Usenko et al. (2020). In particular, we calculate the angular velocities using the central differences in the orientation from the ground truth poses, and then iterate over a time interval to find the optimal time compensation corresponding to the minimum error, which is computed based on the difference of the two matched angular velocities. Besides, a sub-step to fit the quadratic curve is carried out to achieve a millisecond-level time synchronization. An example of the aligned results is shown in Figure 4(c) and (d).

4.5.2. Spacial calibration. As GeoSLAM already calibrates the LiDAR's intrinsic parameters and provides a point cloud for each sequence without raw data, no additional intrinsic calibration (Pandey et al. (2010); Huang et al. (2020); Glennie and Lichti (2010)) is performed. In order to

evaluate the results of SLAM approaches with ground truth trajectories, the extrinsic transformation matrix T_a^g from the camera coordinate system to the GeoSLAM coordinate system is required. Different from methods using raw Li-DAR data (Huang and Grizzle (2020); Jeong et al. (2019); Jiang et al. (2018)), our extrinsic calibration is based on GeoSLAM's output trajectories using a hand-eye calibration approach (Tsai et al. (1989)). We record image sequences and ground truth poses with 6-DoF motions in front of a checkerboard. As depicted in Figure 5, the checkerboard is fixed and its upper left corner is the origin of the world coordinate system. Knowing the size of the checkerboard, the 3D coordinates of each checkerboard corner can be calculated. After extracting the checkerboard corners in the images and solving the corresponding camera poses P_w^c with the Perspective-n-Point (PnP) algorithm, T_c^g is estimated through a hand-eye calibration approach proposed in Tsai et al. (1989). To be specific, knowing a group of relative camera poses $P_{c_i}^{c_j}$ and relative ground truth poses $P_{g_i}^{g_j}$, T_c^g can be estimated from

$$T_c^g * P_{c_i}^{c_j} = P_{g_i}^{g_j} * T_c^g.$$
 (2)

We select 20 sets of positions with sufficient motion for the calculation and the translation result is close to what we manually measured. Figure 6 displays an example of coloring the ground truth point cloud with RGB images according to the calibration results, verifying the accuracy of the calibration.

5. Dataset

Our dataset consists of 22 sequences captured from nine different environments using a ground wheeled robot. All the data is recorded in real environments under normal walking conditions, where specular reflections, sunlight, shadows, and dynamic objects are commonly observed. Figure 7 shows the data collection environments. Each sequence provides aligned color images and depth maps, semantically annotated images, 6-axis inertial measurements, and wheel odometer data. The entire ground truth poses and the 3D point clouds for each scene are supported

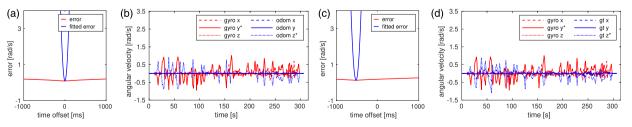


Figure 4. Time synchronization. (a) and (b) indicate time synchronization between the IMU and the wheel odometer and (c) and (d) indicate time synchronization between the IMU and GeoSLAM in sequence Floor14_1. (a) and (c) show the time offsets and errors, where the red line represents each candidate time offset and its error calculated by the iterative process and the blue line is the fitted quadratic curve near minimum error. (b) and (d) show the synchronization results, achieving time alignment with the error of 0.0942 rad/s and 0.1314 rad/s, respectively. According to the frames in Figure 2, the *y*-axis data of the gyroscope and the *z*-axis of GeoSLAM/wheel odometer (marked with asterisks) have the opposite trend of change.

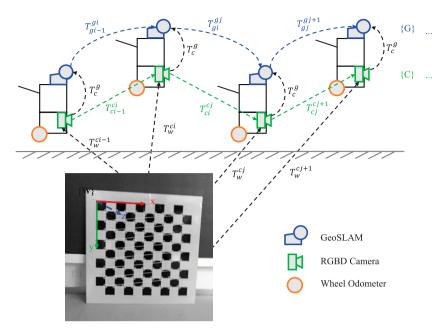


Figure 5. Diagram of the camera-GeoSLAM extrinsic parameters calibration process.

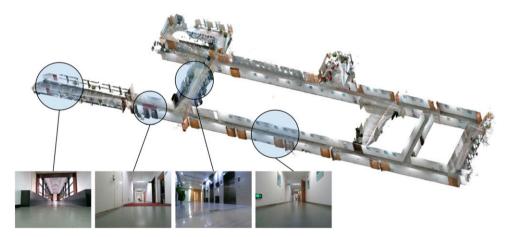


Figure 6. Colored 3D point cloud of Floor3 using the camera-GeoSLAM calibration results.



Figure 7. Data collection environment. The top row shows the office building environments and the bottom row shows the apartment environments.

by GeoSLAM. With precise calibration of intrinsic and extrinsic parameters among the sensors, our dataset can be used directly for evaluating SLAM and 3D reconstruction approaches. The statistical information of our dataset is given in Table 3. Trajectories in different scenes are captured under different visual or motion conditions. In the following, we will give a detailed description.

5.1. Sequence description

Sequences in this dataset are mainly from a ground wheeled robot with two camera views (approximately 0.26 m (high) and 0.12 m (low) above the ground), except for two sequences that contain handheld situations when going downstairs. The dataset covers a large variety of scenes and motion modes, as shown in Table 3. There are some challenging scenarios such as motion blurs, illumination changes, reflective objects, and weak textures, as shown in Figure 8. To support different initialization modes (stationary and motion initialization), each sequence starts with a stationary time for about 5 s. Furthermore, each sequence contains several loops. The sequences can be divided into the following two categories.

5.1.1. Office building. We collect 13 sequences in a typical office building, which covers six different scenes. There is obvious sunlight at the window, causing parts of the images to be overexposed. Sequences in floor scenes are challenging because of insufficient rotation and weak textures.

- Office: Three sequences are captured inside a small office room (about 6 m × 7 m), where all the objects are static.
- Floor14: Three sequences are captured in the open office area on the 14th floor of a building, including dark images and dynamic pedestrians.
- Downstairs: A sequence is collected in the stairwell by manually carrying the robot going downstairs. The sequence is under 6-DoF motion and the wheel odometer data is missing.
- Two Floors: A long sequence is recorded by firstly moving on the 14th floor, then going downstairs, next moving on the 13th floor, and finally going back to the 14th floor. When passing through the stairs, the wheel odometer data is unavailable.
- Floor3: Three sequences are captured along corridors (about 70 m) with straight line motion, dynamic pedestrians, reflective objects, and an uphill movement.
- Floor13: Two long sequences are recorded in a long corridor (about 65 m).

5.1.2. Apartment. We record nine sequences in real living environments, which cover three different apartments. The apartments are about $10 \text{ m} \times 10 \text{ m}$, including a living room, two or three bedrooms, a bathroom, and a kitchen. These

rooms are cluttered with small and unstructured obstacles. Sequences in apartment scenes contain rich loops and rotational motions. There are also challenging situations such as motion blurs, weak textures, and reflective objects.

- Apartment1: Three sequences are captured in an apartment during the day, where the tiled floor is reflective. There exists significant sunlight at the windows.
- Apartment2: Three sequences are collected in an apartment during the day. The apartment is messy, in which dust and litter cause uneven floors. There is strong sunlight near the windows.
- Apartment3: Three sequences are acquired in an apartment at night with the lights turned on.

5.2. Semantic annotation

The dataset is annotated with 45 label classes. We provide per-pixel semantic labels of the images and represent the results in grayscale images where the pixel value corresponds to the class identity (from 0 to 44). Some segmentation results are visualized in Figure 9. In the following, we describe our semantic annotation details.

5.2.1. Manual annotation. Since sequences in the same scene cover the same objects, we select the longest sequence in each scene to extract keyframes. According to the degree of the overlap, a keyframe is selected every 30 frames in the office building environments and every 60 frames in the apartment environments. In total, approximately 2% of the images are manually segmented in great details as training data using a self-developed 2D masking tool.

5.2.2. Network and training. In our dataset, all images, including those manually annotated, are labeled using a semi-supervised semantic segmentation algorithm called ST++ (Yang et al. (2022)), which adopts an image-level strategy for holistic contextual information. The algorithm performs selective re-training via prioritizing reliable unlabeled images based on holistic prediction-level stability. Through selection and sorting, reliable pseudo-labels are selected for re-training to mitigate the impact of false pseudo-labels. Choosing deeplabv3 plus with resnet50 (Chen et al. (2018)) as the core structure of ST++, we train a network for 200 epochs for each scene with default parameters. The means of the Mean Intersection over Union (mIOU) for the test images are detailed in Table 4. Our segmentation results demonstrate accuracy equivalent to the ground truth, as shown in Figure 10. In scenes such as Floor14 and Two Floors, the presence of a large number of small structures (e.g., chair legs) contributes to the low mIOUs. It's worth noting that bad pixel labels may occur around the edges of the objects and the small structures, and thus users should exercise caution when using it.

Table 3. Statistics on the sequences. (O Means Partially Available.)

Scene		Sequence	Viewpoint	Length (m)	Duration (s)	# of frames	Wheel	Complexity	Description
Office building	Office	Office_1	High	42.01	141.25	4250	V	*****	Static, small room, simple track
		Office_2	High	90.31	247.00	7396	$\sqrt{}$	*****	Static, small room, medium track
		Office_3	High	95.25	238.99	7132	$\sqrt{}$	****	Static, small room, complex track
	Floor14	Floor14_1	High	103.70	184.30	5530	\checkmark	★★★☆	Short straight line motion dynamic objects
		Floor14_2	High	106.40	183.00	5459	$\sqrt{}$	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects, dark images
		Floor14_3	High	180.43	299.00	8918	$\sqrt{}$	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects
	Two Floors	14-13-14	High	249.96	379.72	11,379	О	****	Partial handheld, two floors
	Downstairs Floor3	14-13-12 Floor3_1	High High	21.89 85.61	70.40 128.21	2138 3834	$\stackrel{\times}{\surd}$	**** ****	Handheld, downstairs Short straight line motion dynamic objects, reflective objects
		Floor3_2	High	150.55	187.06	5649	$\sqrt{}$	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects, reflective objects
		Floor3_3	High	196.46	243.74	7299	V	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects, reflective objects, upslope
	Floor13	Floor13_1	High	130.43	177.71	5336	$\sqrt{}$	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects
		Floor13_2	High	135.10	194.17	5820	$\sqrt{}$	****	Long straight line motion dynamic objects
Apartment	Apartment1	Apartment 1_1	Low	66.01	305.99	9159	$\sqrt{}$	****	Tiled floor, daylight, reflective objects, simple track
		Apartment1_2	High	77.18	206.99	6179		****	Tiled floor, daylight, reflective objects, medium track, fast motion
		Apartment1_3	High	154.00	376.99	11,280	$\sqrt{}$	****	Tiled floor, daylight, reflective objects, complex track
	Apartment2	Apartment2_1	Low	68.50	239.99	7160	$\sqrt{}$	****	Wood floor, daylight, messy rooms, simple track
		Apartment2_2	High	85.88	334.65	10,076	$\sqrt{}$	****	Wood floor, daylight, messy rooms, medium track
		Apartment2_3	Low	100.04	387.99	11,596	$\sqrt{}$	****	Wood floor, daylight, messy rooms, complex track
	Apartment3	Apartment3_1	Low	73.22	382.99	11,437	$\sqrt{}$	****	Wood floor, night, dynamic objects, simple track
		Apartment3_2	Low	84.42	259.21	9954	$\sqrt{}$	****	Wood floor, night, dynamic objects, medium track, fast motion
		Apartment3_3	High	147.96	361.00	10,800	✓	****	Wood floor, night, dynamic objects, complex track

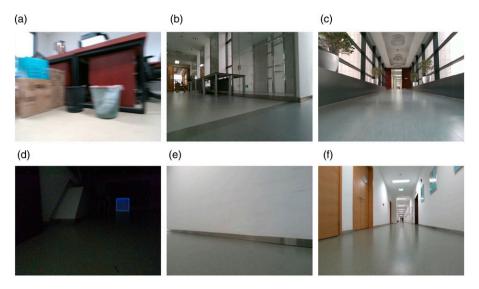


Figure 8. Examples of the challenging scenarios in our dataset. (a) Motion blur, (b) Mirror, (c) Slope, (d) Illumination change, (e) Weak texture, and (f) Long corridor

5.3. Ground truth

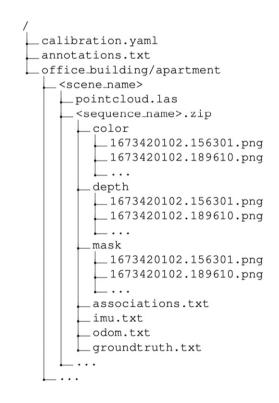
The ground truth 3D point clouds are acquired simultaneously with the corresponding trajectories using GeoSLAM. In the same scenes, for different trajectories, the captured point clouds are in different coordinate systems. Using CloudCompare, 8 We merge the 3D point clouds in the same scenes into a complete point cloud. Initially, we conduct a coarse alignment (T_c) by manually selecting point correspondences, followed by a densely sampled fine alignment (T_f) using the Iterative Closest Point (ICP) method. The average error of the ICP alignment is 0.03 m. Based on the two steps, a global calibration for each scene is established so that the 3D point clouds are unified into a global coordinate system. After manually eliminating moving objects, we provide a complete point cloud in the standard .las file format for each scene. Similarly, the transformation of trajectories from the original world coordinate system to the global coordinate system is achieved by applying the following rigid transformation:

$$T_{cam\ global} = T_f * T_c * T_{cam\ origin}, \tag{3}$$

in which, T_{cam_origin} denotes the camera poses from the camera coordinate system to the original world coordinate system and T_{cam_global} denotes the camera poses from the camera coordinate system to the new global coordinate system.

5.4. File format

We provide spatiotemporally aligned data and ground truth poses for every sequence as well as a precise 3D point cloud for each scene. Additionally, extrinsic and intrinsic calibration parameters are provided in a *yaml* file. The data is organized as:



Specifically, the folders and files contain:

- color/: color images, named with timestamps, image format: png, three channels, 8 bit per channel.
- depth/: depth images, named with timestamps, image format: png, one channel, 16 bit per channel, values in meters scaled by factor 1000. In other words, the unit of the depth measurement is the millimeter.
- mask/: semantic images, named with timestamps, image format: png, three channel, 8 bit per channel, values of any channel corresponding to the class labels.

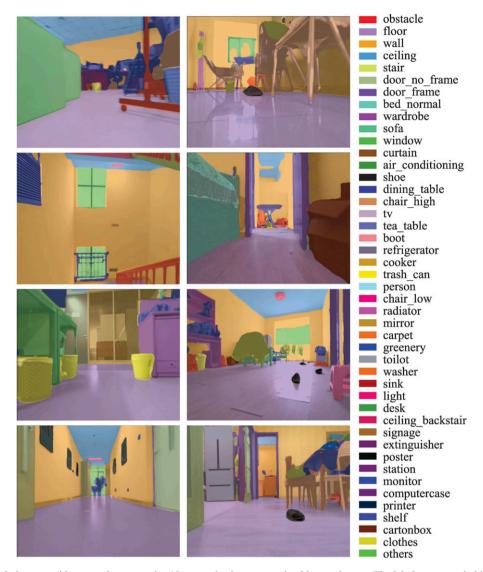


Figure 9. Example images with annotations over the 45 semantic classes contained in our dataset. The labels are encoded in different colors.

Table 4. Mean Test mIOU (%) for each Scene.

Scene	Office	Floor14	Two Floors	Downstairs	Floor3	Floor13	Apartment1	Apartment2	Apartment3
Mean test mIOU	72.64	67.67	69.01	77.53	78.99	81.40	75.71	76.31	78.19

- calibration.yaml: extrinsic and intrinsic parameters for the sensors.
- annotations.txt: correspondences between the labels (pixel values) and the categories with description sentences.
- associations.txt: associated timestamps for the color images and the corresponding depth images, format: color_timestamp[s] depth_timestamp[s].
- imu.txt: timestamped gyroscope and accelerometer data from the IMU, format: timestamp[s] $g_x[rad/s]$ $g_y[rad/s]$ $g_y[rad/s]$ $g_x[m/s^2]$ $g_y[m/s^2]$ $g_y[m/s^2]$.
- odom.txt: timestamped pose positions, orientations and twist linear/angular velocities from the wheel odometer,

- format: $timestamp[s] x[m] y[m] z[m] q_x q_y q_z q_w v_x[m/s] v_y [m/s] v_z[m/s] \omega_x[rad/s] \omega_y[rad/s] \omega_z[rad/s].$
- groundtruth.txt: timestamped translation vectors and unit quaternions (in the form of Hamilton), format: timestamp [s] $t_x[m]$ $t_y[m]$ $t_z[m]$ q_x q_y q_z q_w , where q_w is the real part.
- pointcloud.las: unclolored 3D point cloud, each point has its position x[m], y[m], z[m] and the intensity.

6. Evaluation

With precise ground truth trajectories and 3D point clouds, our dataset offers practical and challenging sequences for

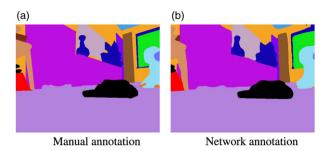


Figure 10. Camparision between (a) manual annotation and (b) network annotation. The network training results accurately reflect the manual annotated 2D semantic segmentation.

assessing both SLAM and 3D reconstruction tasks with multi-information input. In this section, we compare state-of-the-art vision-based SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms to validate the effectiveness of our dataset.

6.1. SLAM evaluation

We evaluate the overall performance of a SLAM system considering pose estimation accuracy and employ the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) proposed in Sturm et al. (2012) as the evaluation criteria. Assume that $\mathbf{p}_{1:n}$, $\mathbf{q}_{1:n} \in R^3$ are time-synchronized positions (from an arbitrary reference frame) of the estimated trajectory and the ground truth trajectory, respectively. We calculate an alignment matrix \mathbf{S} between the estimated poses and the ground truth poses using the ICP method. The RMSE of the two trajectories is defined as

RMSE: =
$$\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_{i}-\mathbf{q}_{i}\|^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
, (4)

where *S* represents the transformation matrix mapping the estimated trajectory onto the ground truth trajectory. Thus, the RMSE measures the translational components of the absolute trajectory error (ATE) over all time.

We test several state-of-the-art SLAM methods on the dataset. SVO2 (Forster et al. (2017)) is a semi-direct vision odometry method that supports monocular and IMU data as input with a loop detection module. OpenVINS (Geneva et al. (2020)) is a filter-based system that utilizes RGB images and IMU data as input. To compare performances on different input sensors, we extend OpenVINS to OpenVINS-Depth by incorporating depth information. When the anchor frame has a reliable depth, we use the depth directly instead of the original triangulation operation to further improve accuracy and efficiency. VINS-Mono (Oin et al. (2018)) is an optimization-based approach with loop detection and global map module. VINS-RGBD (Shan et al. (2019)) extends VINS-Mono by adding depth information in the process of motion initialization and feature triangulation. VIW-Fusion (Zhuang (2021)), a visual-inertial-wheel fusion odometry system, is developed based on VINS- Fusion (Qin et al. (2019b); Qin and Shen (2018); Qin et al. (2018, 2019a)) by adding wheel odometer information and plane constrains. ORBSLAM3 (Campos et al. (2021)) is a versatile SLAM system, which can perform visual, visual-inertial, and multi-map SLAM with monocular, stereo, and RGBD cameras.

Considering that there is a certain randomness of estimation, we run 5 times for each system on Intel i9-13900KS CPU and the median results are summarized in Table 5. The results are from the EVO toolbox (Grupp (2017)) and all estimated poses are used to calculate the alignment matrix S. Some trajectories estimated by these methods and the corresponding ground truths are presented in Figure 11. We can infer from the results that SVO2 (with loop) is easily drifting and suffers from large-scale errors caused by insufficiently robust initialization. OpenVINS and VINS-Mono (with loop) fail on some sequences due to the significant drift in the middles of the track. VINS-RGBD (with loop) fails in all apartment sequences due to the large noise of depth on the ground. VIW-Fusion also struggles with some long corridor sequences. Although ORBSLAM3 (offline) fails in some long trajectories because of tracking lost in some visually challenging sequences (e.g., textureless region), it outperforms other methods in most sequences benefiting from the global map offline optimization and the loop detection module. OpenVINS-Depth improves robustness by adding depth information and achieves the best performance among online algorithms. Compared to sequences in small scenes, such as offices and apartments, all the methods show degraded performances in building floor sequences due to degradation in long straight line 2D motions. Moving along straight lines makes the systems fail to observe the correct scale information. The experimental results demonstrate that our dataset has several open challenges for such approaches.

6.2. 3D reconstruction evaluation

In our case, the accuracy is employed to quantify a reconstructed 3D model. For each point p in the reconstruction, the Euclidean distance is computed after the closest point p^* in the ground truth model is located between p and p^* . The accuracy measures the RMSE distance between the reconstructed 3D model and the ground truth model, which is defined as

$$Acc: = mean_{p \in P} \left(\min_{\substack{* \\ p^* \in P}} ||p - p^*|| \right), \tag{5}$$

where P and P^* are the predicted and the ground truth point clouds, respectively.

Using ground truth trajectories and RGBD images as input, we have implemented several state-of-the-art 3D reconstruction methods on our dataset with Intel i9-13900KS CPU and NVIDIA GeForce RTX 4070 Ti. ElasticFusion (Whelan et al. (2015; 2016)) is a real-time dense visual SLAM system capable of capturing

Table 5. RMSE ATE (↓) in Meters of the Evaluated SLAM Methods.

Method	SVO2 Online	VIW-Fusion With loop	ORB-SLAM3 Offline	VINS-mono With loop	VINS-RGBD With loop	OpenVINS Online	OpenVINS- Depth Online
Sensors	RGB + IMU	RGBD + IMU + Wheel	RGBD + IMU	RGB + IMU	RGBD + IMU	RGB + IMU	RGBD + IMU
Office_1	0.266	0.108	0.035	0.075	0.053	0.132	0.069
Office_2	0.474	1.346	0.028	0.041	0.038	0.107	0.095
Office_3	0.527	0.397	0.043	0.052	0.042	0.077	0.074
Floor14_1	0.678	-	0.066	0.360	1.038	0.382	0.199
Floor14_2	2.412	-	0.224	0.314	0.266	0.253	0.256
Floor14_3	-	14.417	0.723	0.814	0.732	0.434	0.346
14-13-14	-	6.153	0.224	0.565	0.617	0.668	0.354
14-13-12	-	0.110	1.819	0.433	1.691	0.081	0.124
Floor3_1	-	-	0.072	-	0.313	0.498	0.320
Floor3_2	-	5.808	0.520	-	0.417	1.480	0.384
Floor3_3	-	-	0.318	0.877	0.622	1.723	0.438
Floor13_1	1.693	19.835	0.496	0.699	0.653	0.613	0.641
Floor13_2	2.221	16.714	0.224	0.779	0.425	1.221	0.758
Apartment1 1	-	0.166	0.033	0.111	-	-	0.131
Apartment1_2	-	0.184	-	-	-	0.169	0.124
Apartment1_3	-	0.619	0.574	0.186	-	-	0.135
Apartment2_1	-	0.123	-	0.169	-	0.152	0.111
Apartment2_2	-	0.121	0.106	0.111	-	-	0.145
Apartment2_3	-	0.215	0.048	0.108	-	-	0.135
Apartment3_1	-	0.131	1.547	0.157	-	0.087	0.116
Apartment3_2	-	0.151	0.050	0.114	-	0.114	0.086
Apartment3_3	-	-	0.099	-	-	0.140	0.108

Bold and underlined indicate the best and second-best performances among all methods on the same sequence. — Indicates that the method fails in the sequence when the estimated trajectory is incomplete (more than 100 frames lost after initialization) or drifts significantly (RMSE > 500 m).

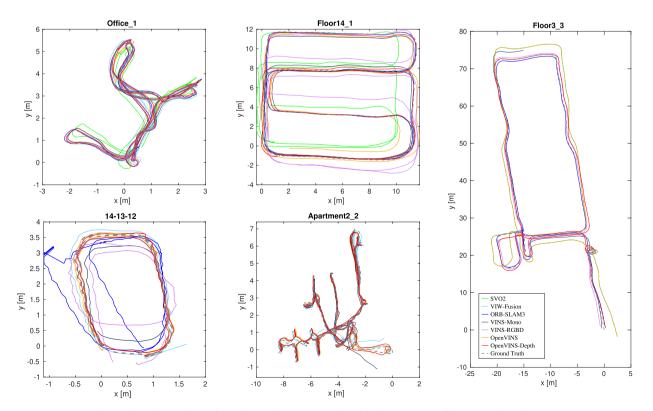


Figure 11. Exemplary trajectories estimated by the evaluated methods with the corresponding ground truth trajectories.

comprehensive dense globally consistent surfel-based maps. InfiniTAM (Kähler et al. (2016)) is suitable for large-scale 3D reconstruction with truncated signed distance field (TSDF) and surfel representation. BAD-SLAM (Schops et al. (2019)) exploits the joint optimization of the

estimated 3D map and the camera trajectory for real-time dense RGBD SLAM based on surfel representation. Voxblox (Grinvald et al. (2019)) incrementally builds Euclidean Signed Distance Fields (ESDFs) out of TSDFs in dynamically growing maps, using different weight factors for the

Table 6. Accuracy (↓) in Centimeters of the Evaluated 3D Reconstruction Methods.

Method	ElasticFusion	BAD-SLAM	InfiniTAM (TSDF)	InfiniTAM (Surfel)	Voxblox	Kimera (Semantic)
Processor	GPU	GPU	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU
Office_1	2.97	2.35	3.85	2.12	4.69	4.54
Office_2	3.03	2.76	5.20	2.47	6.77	7.08
Office_3	2.58	2.69	4.70	2.30	6.23	5.66
Floor14_1	4.99	3.84	4.93	4.85	5.42	7.02
Floor14_2	5.96	4.41	5.51	4.63	6.03	4.77
Floor14_3	5.16	4.35	5.02	$\overline{4.06}$	5.35	6.18
14-13-14	4.05	3.78	8.94	3.80	6.11	5.86
14-13-12	1.93	3.10	5.56	2.19	3.76	2.62
Floor3_1	15.37	12.11	9.36	$\overline{6.94}$	9.46	9.22
Floor3_2	10.03	9.16	6.60	6.16	6.70	6.59
Floor3_3	8.91	5.92	5.63	3.98	5.96	5.35
Floor13_1	3.84	4.28	4.75	3.65	5.06	4.00
Floor13_2	3.58	3.43	3.90	3.35	4.27	4.96
Apartment1 1	2.75	3.31	18.89	4.19	22.08	20.00
Apartment1_2	3.03	2.25	5.67	2.80	5.70	6.03
Apartment1_3	3.24	2.33	7.41	4.34	6.92	8.04
Apartment2_1	2.10	1.70	2.70	2.20	2.83	14.16
Apartment2_2	2.96	2.18	7.77	2.77	13.77	4.75
Apartment2_3	2.10	2.02	12.18	2.32	18.76	18.31
Apartment3_1	2.59	2.20	7.66	2.88	14.40	20.00
Apartment3_2	2.31	2.23	13.92	2.43	12.35	14.99
Apartment3_3	2.55	2.10	3.77	2.73	4.53	5.16

Bold and underlined indicate the best and second-best performances among all methods on the same sequence.

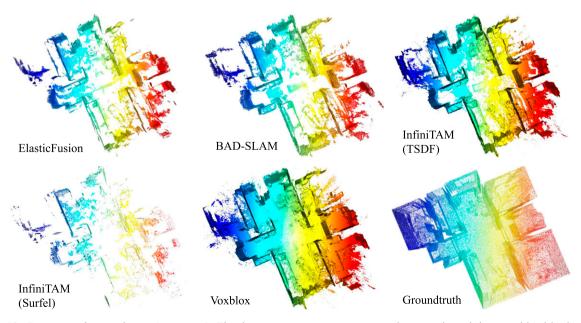


Figure 12. Reconstruction results on Apartment1. The three sequences are reconstructed separately and then combined in the global coordinate system.

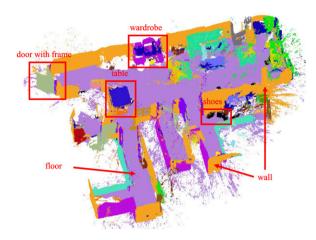


Figure 13. Reconstruction results from Kimera with semantic annotations on Apartment2.

surface sample points. Kimera (Rosinol et al. (2020)) is built based on Voxblox by adding 2D semantic information to generate a global semantically annotated 3D mesh.

We uniformly sample 200,000 points from the constructed model for evaluation, and the qualitative results are listed in Table 6. According to the results, surfel-based methods (BAD-SLAM, ElasticFusion and InfiniTAM (Surfel)) outperform others in most sequences. We can observe that InfiniTAM (TSDF), Voxblox, and Kimera (Semantic) exhibit significant drops in performance on lowview sequences. This could be attributed to the fact that lowviewpoint images contain more small structures (e.g., shoes and chair legs) and noise. Figure 12 shows the reconstruction results on Apartment1 as an example. At the cost of including large noise, Voxblox and InfiniTAM (TSDF) reconstruct more complete structures, while BAD-SLAM, ElasticFusion, and InfiniTAM (Surfel) obtain better reconstruction quality by removing outliers. BAD-SLAM achieves good compromise by combining surfel points and poses for global optimization. Figure 13 presents the semantically annotated reconstruction result from Kimera on Apartment2. Although the reconstruction is based on the high-precision poses, our dataset is challenging due to the noise in depth from a ground wheeled robot viewpoint in realistic environments, particularly in areas on the floor.

Conclusion

This paper releases CID-SIMS, a challenging new dataset for indoor SLAM and 3D reconstruction researches. Compared to existing datasets, our dataset comprises sequences captured by a ground wheeled robot equipped with an RGBD-IW sensor suite, which includes an RGBD camera, an IMU, and a wheel odometer. To provide ground truth camera trajectories and 3D point clouds, we are the first to use an accurate 3D laser scanner called GeoSLAM. Furthermore, 2D semantic information is provided to

support localization and reconstruction from semantically labeled images. Consequently, our dataset enables a thorough evaluation of both SLAM and 3D reconstruction algorithms that relies on visual, IMU, wheel odometer, and semantic information. All the sensors are well calibrated and synchronized so that no further alignment is necessary for evaluation with our benchmark. We conduct experiments on state-of-the-art approaches, demonstrating that our dataset is well suited for the evaluation of SLAM and 3D reconstruction using different types of inputs from a ground wheeled robot viewpoint. All the data is released to the public. We believe that our dataset will facilitate the development and benchmarking of new algorithms for indoor SLAM and 3D reconstruction under 3-DoF plane motions. In the future, we plan to assign 3D semantic labels to the point clouds for further use.

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