# 7. ORB\_SLAM2 Octomap Map Building

This example is implemented on Orin NX, and cannot be implemented on a virtual machine. It just explains how the process is implemented. If you want to implement this function on your own motherboard, you need to compile the entire function package and connect related peripherals.

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octomap official website: <a href="http://octomap.github.io/">http://octomap.github.io/</a>

octomap source code: <a href="https://github.com/OctoMap/octomap">https://github.com/OctoMap/octomap</a>

octomap wiki: <a href="http://wiki.ros.org/octomap">http://wiki.ros.org/octomap</a>

octomap\_server: http://wiki.ros.org/octomap\_server

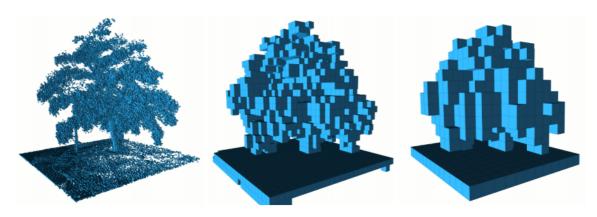
The operating environment and reference configuration of software and hardware are as follows:

- Reference vehicle: ROSMASTER X3
- Robot hardware configuration: Arm series master control, Silan A1 laser radar, depth camera
- Robot system: Ubuntu 20.04
- PC virtual machine: Ubuntu (20.04) + ROS2 (Foxy)
- Usage scenario: Use on a relatively clean 2D plane

### 7.1, Introduction

Octomap is an octree-based 3D map creation tool that can display complete 3D graphics including barrier-free areas and unmapped areas, and sensor data based on occupancy grids can be fused and updated in multiple measurements; Maps are available in multiple resolutions, data can be compressed, and storage is compact. In fact, the code of octomap mainly consists of two modules: octomap, a 3D map creation tool, and octovis, a visualization tool.

Compared with point clouds, it can save a lot of space. The map created by octomap looks like this: (different resolutions from left to right)



**Fig. 3** By limiting the depth of a query, multiple resolutions of the same map can be obtained at any time. Occupied voxels are displayed in resolutions 0.08 m, 0.64, and 1.28 m.

### 7.2, octomap map based on camera

Execute the following launch file in the terminal:

1. Start the camera

```
#gemini camera startup
ros2 launch astra_camera gemini.launch.xml
```

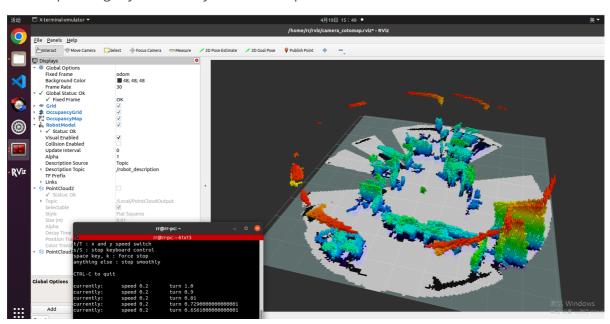
2. Start octomap\_server map

ros2 launch yahboomcar\_slam camera\_octomap\_launch.py

3. Start rviz in docker or virtual machine [recommended]:

ros2 launch yahboomcar\_slam display\_octomap\_launch.py

4. Use the remote control or keyboard to control the node to slowly move the robot to build the map. Losing key frames may cause the map to fail.



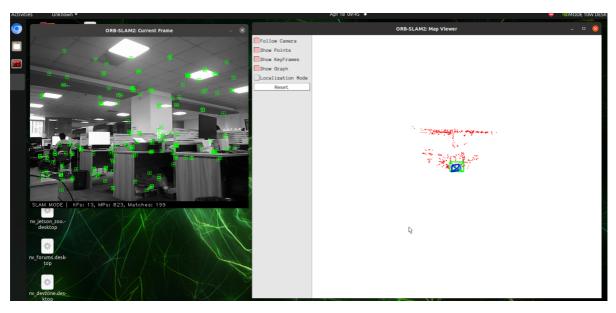
# 7.3, Octomap construction based on orbslam and pointcloud\_mapping

1, Start the camera

```
#gemini camera startup
ros2 launch astra_camera gemini.launch.xml
```

2, Start orbslam to publish the camera pose, color map and depth map. Depending on the performance of different master controllers, the waiting time here is about 10 seconds

ros2 launch yahboomcar\_slam orbslam\_base\_launch.py



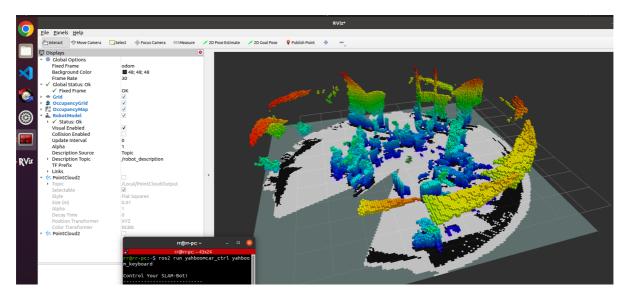
3, Start octomap\_server to build a map

```
ros2 launch yahboomcar_slam orbslam_pcl_octomap_launch.py
```

4. Start rviz:

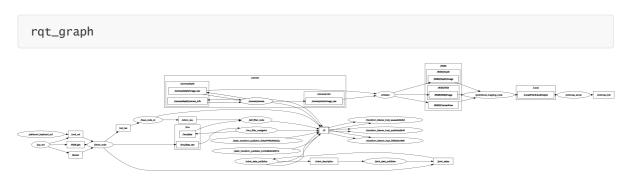
```
ros2 launch yahboomcar_slam display_octomap_launch.py
```

5. Use the remote control or keyboard to control the node to slowly move the robot to build a map. Losing key frames may cause the map to fail.



## 7.4. Node analysis

### 7.3.1、Display calculation graph



### 7.3.2 Details of each node

```
rr@rr-pc:~/rviz$ ros2 node info /pointcloud_mapping_node
/pointcloud_mapping_node
Subscribers:
   /RCBD/CameraPose: geometry_msgs/msg/PoseStamped
   /RCBD/RCB/Image: sensor_msgs/msg/Image
   /RCBD/RCB/Image: sensor_msgs/msg/Image
   /parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
Publishers:
   /Global/PointCloudOutput: sensor_msgs/msg/PointCloud2
   /Local/PointCloudOutput: sensor_msgs/msg/PointCloud2
   /parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
   /rosout: rcl_interfaces/msg/Log
Service Servers:
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/describe_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/DescribeParameters
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/get_parameter_types: rcl_interfaces/srv/GetParameterTypes
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/get_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/LetParameters
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/jest_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/SetParameters
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/set_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/SetParameters
   /pointcloud_mapping_node/set_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/SetParameters
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```

```
r-pc:~/rviz$ ros2 node info /octomap_server
octomap_server
 Subscribers:
     /Local/PointCloudOutput: sensor_msgs/msg/PointCloud2
     /parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
    /free_cells_vis_array: visualization_msgs/msg/MarkerArray
/occupied_cells_vis_array: visualization_msgs/msg/MarkerArray
     /octomap_binary: octomap_msgs/msg/Octomap
     /octomap_full: octomap_msgs/msg/Octomap
     /octomap_point_cloud_centers: sensor_msgs/msg/PointCloud2
/parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
     /projected_map: nav_msgs/msg/OccupancyGrid
     /rosout: rcl_interfaces/msg/Log
 Service Servers:
     /octomap_binary: octomap_msgs/srv/GetOctomap
     /octomap_full: octomap_msgs/srv/GetOctomap
    /octomap_rutt. octomap_msgs/srv/detoctomap
/octomap_server/clear_bbox: octomap_msgs/srv/BoundingBoxQuery
/octomap_server/describe_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/DescribeParameters
/octomap_server/get_parameter_types: rcl_interfaces/srv/GetParameterTypes
/octomap_server/get_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/GetParameters
/octomap_server/list_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/ListParameters
     /octomap_server/reset: std_srvs/srv/Empty
/octomap_server/set_parameters: rcl_interfaces/srv/SetParameters
     /octomap_server/set_parameters_atomically: rcl_interfaces/srv/SetParametersAtomically
 Service Clients:
 Action Servers:
 Action Clients:
```

### 7.3.3、TF transformation

ros2 run tf2\_tools view\_frames.py

