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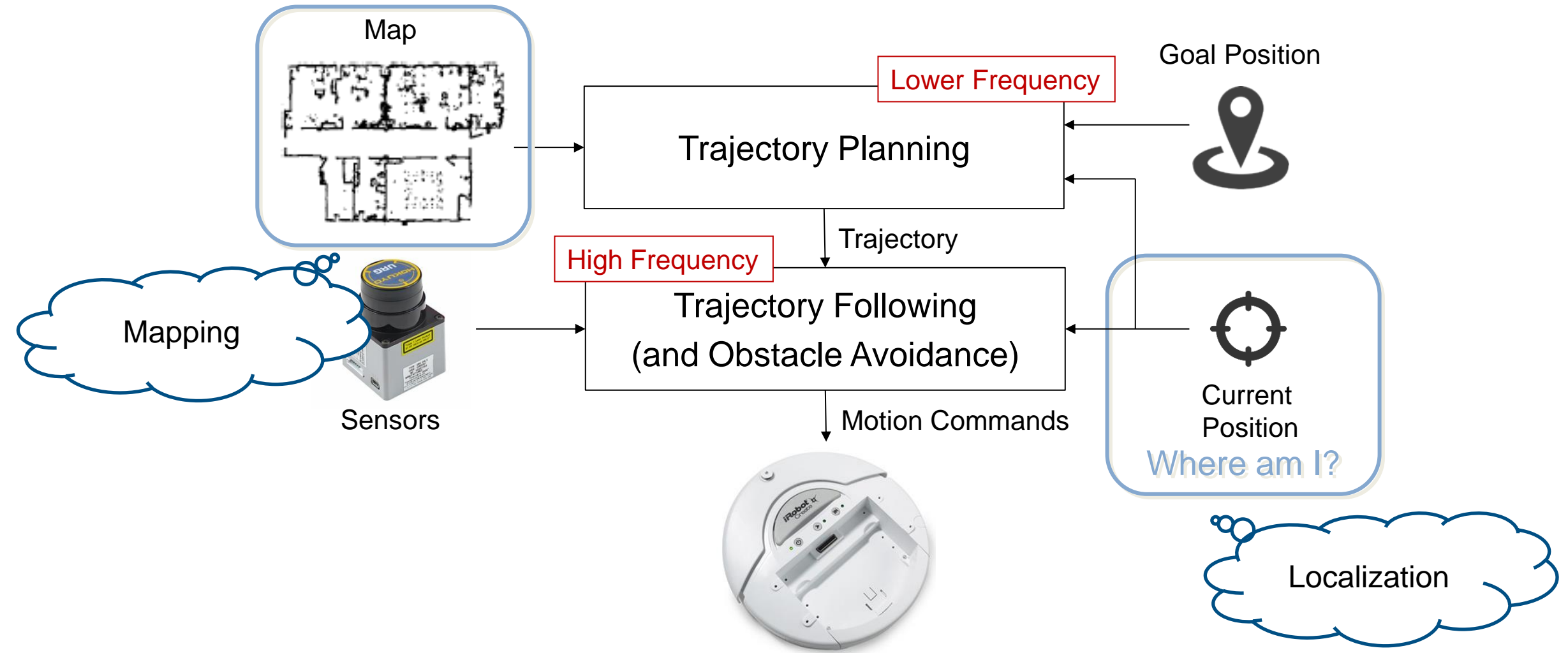
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Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

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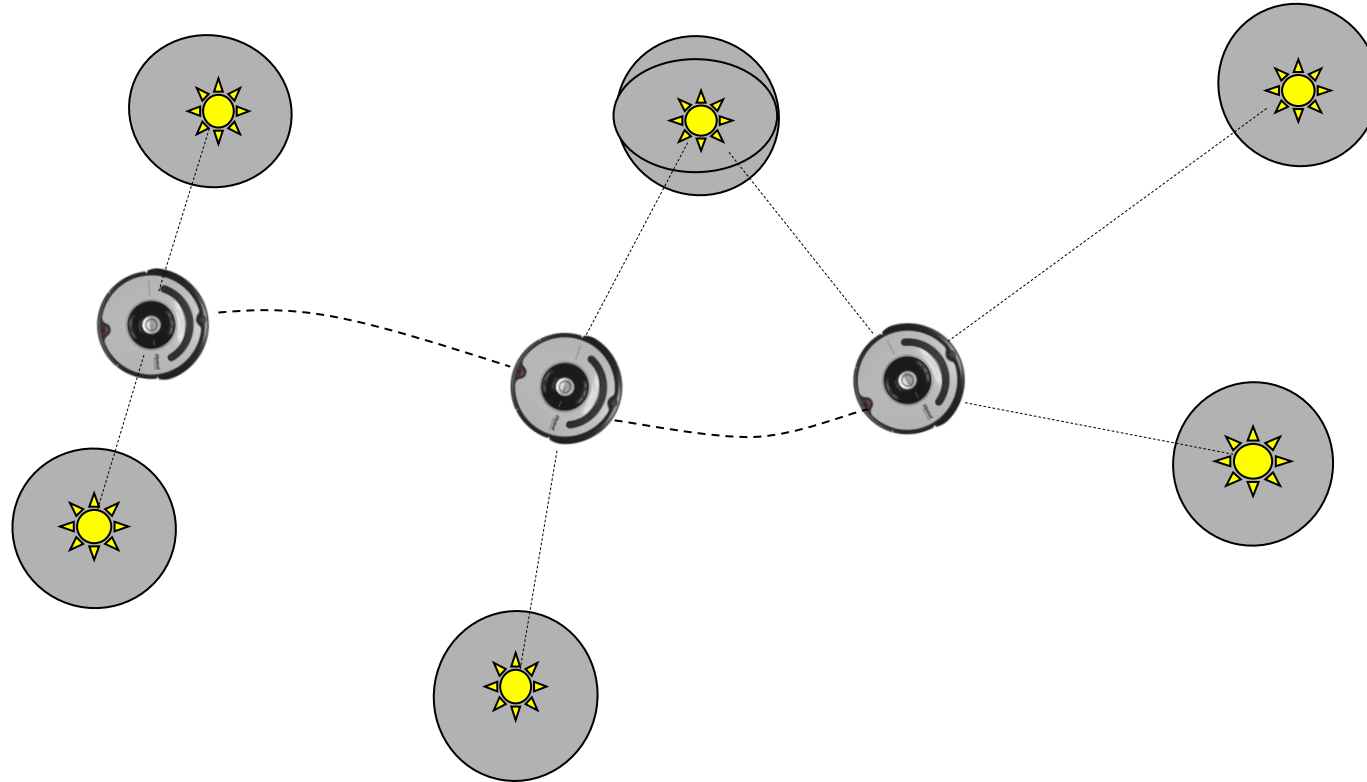
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A Simplified Sense-Plan-Act Architecture



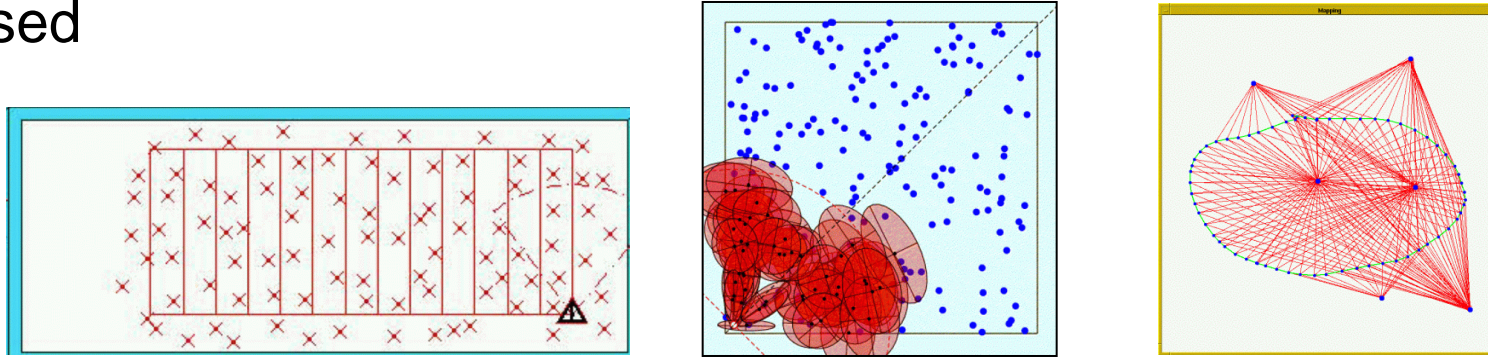


Mapping with Known Poses



Representations

Landmark-based



[Leonard et al., 98; Castelanos et al., 99; Dissanayake et al., 2001; Montemerlo et al., 2002;...]

Grid maps or scans



[Lu & Milios, 97; Gutmann, 98; Thrun 98; Burgard, 99; Konolige & al., 00; Thrun, 00; Arras, 99; Haehnel, 01;...]

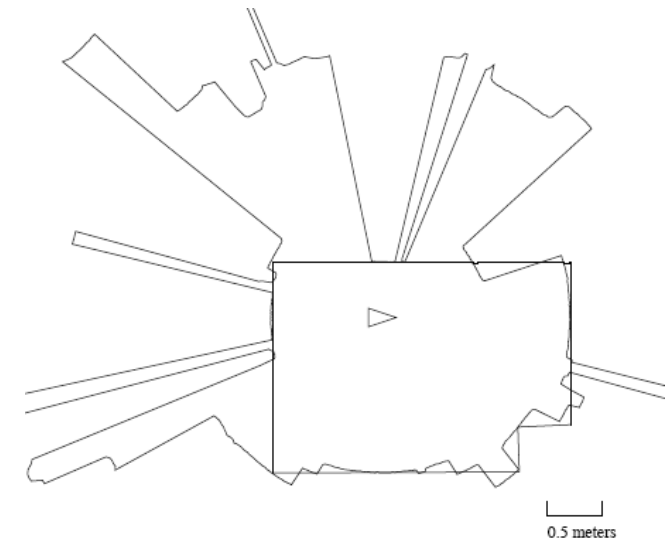
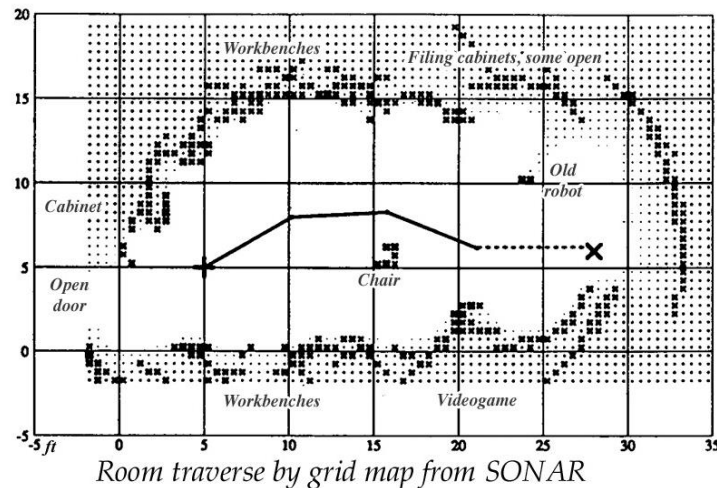
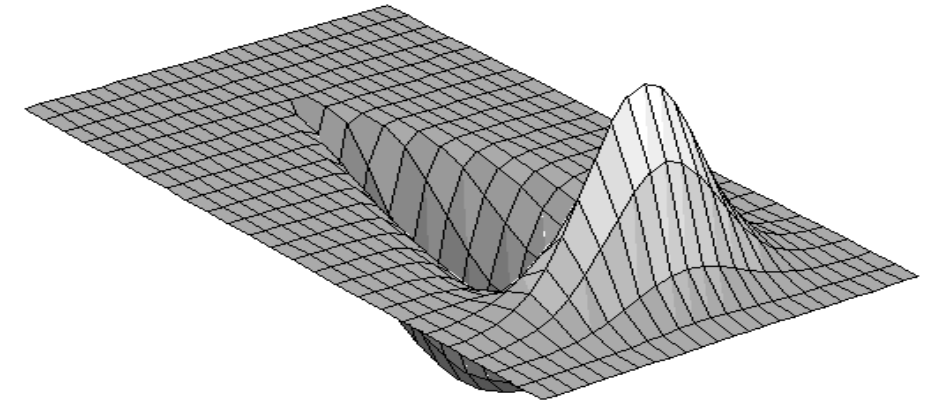
Occupancy from Sonar Return (the origins)

The most simple occupancy model used sonars

- A 2D Gaussian for information about occupancy
- Another 2D Gaussian for free space

Sonar sensors present several issues

- A wide sonar cone creates noisy maps
- Specular (multi-path) reflections generates unrealistic measurements

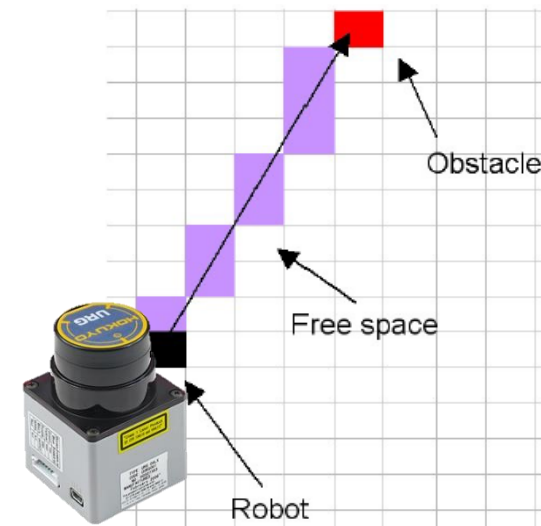
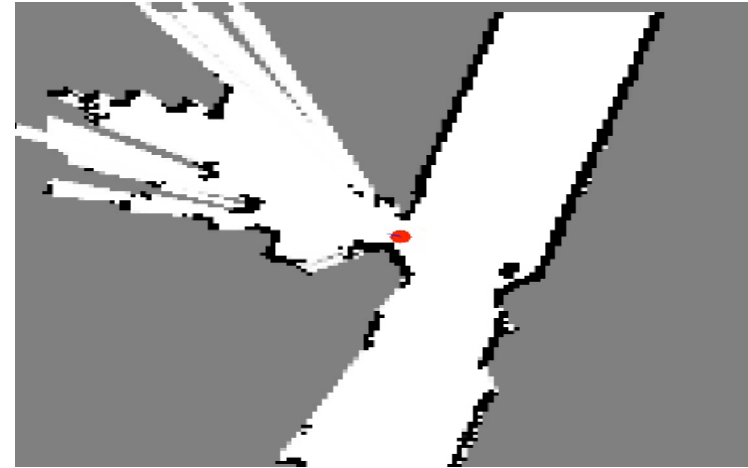


2D Occupancy Grids

A simple 2D representation for maps

- Maps the environment as an array of cells
- Usual cell size 5 to 50cm
- Each cells holds the probability of the cell to be occupied
- Useful to combine different sensor scans from different sensors (e.g., sonar + lidar)
- Each cell is assumed independent
- Probability of a cell of being occupied updated using Bayes theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|\sim A)P(\sim A)}$$



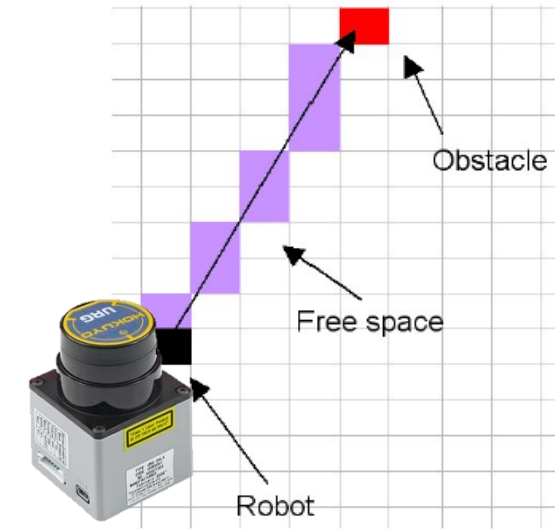
Occupancy Grid Cell Update (log odds)

Let $occ(i, j)$ mean cell C_{ij} is occupied, we have

- Probability: $P(occ(i, j))$ has range $[0, 1]$
- Odds: $odd(occ(i, j))$ has range $[0, \infty]$

$$odd(occ(i, j)) = P(occ(i, j)) / P(\neg occ(i, j))$$

- Log odds: $\log odds(occ(i, j))$ has range $[-\infty, \infty]$



Each cell C_{ij} holds the value $\log odds(occ(i, j))$, $C_{ij} = 0$ corresponds to $P(occ(i, j)) = 0.5$

Cells are updated recursively by applying the Bayes theorem

- $A = occ(i, j)$
- $B = measure(i, j)$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Occupancy Grid Cell Update (log odds)

- $A = occ(i, j) = o_{ij}$
- $B = measure(i, j) = m_{ij}$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

To update current odds based on a measurement

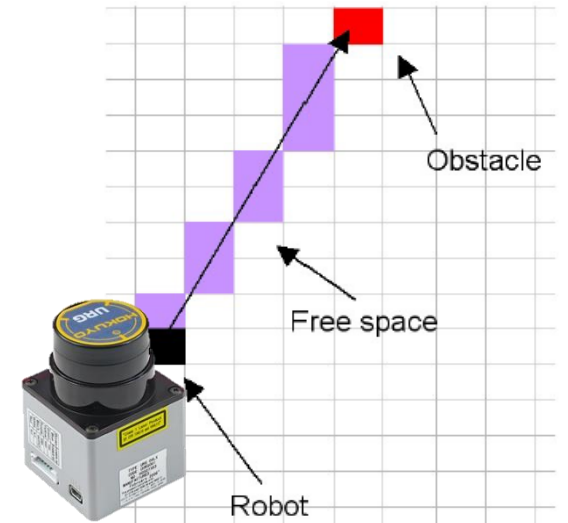
$$odd(o_{ij}|m_{ij}) = \frac{P(o_{ij}|m_{ij})}{P(\neg o_{ij}|m_{ij})} = \frac{P(m_{ij}|o_{ij})P(o_{ij})/P(m_{ij})}{P(m_{ij}|\neg o_{ij})P(\neg o_{ij})/P(m_{ij})} = \frac{P(m_{ij}|o_{ij})P(o_{ij})}{P(m_{ij}|\neg o_{ij})P(\neg o_{ij})}$$

Taking logarithms

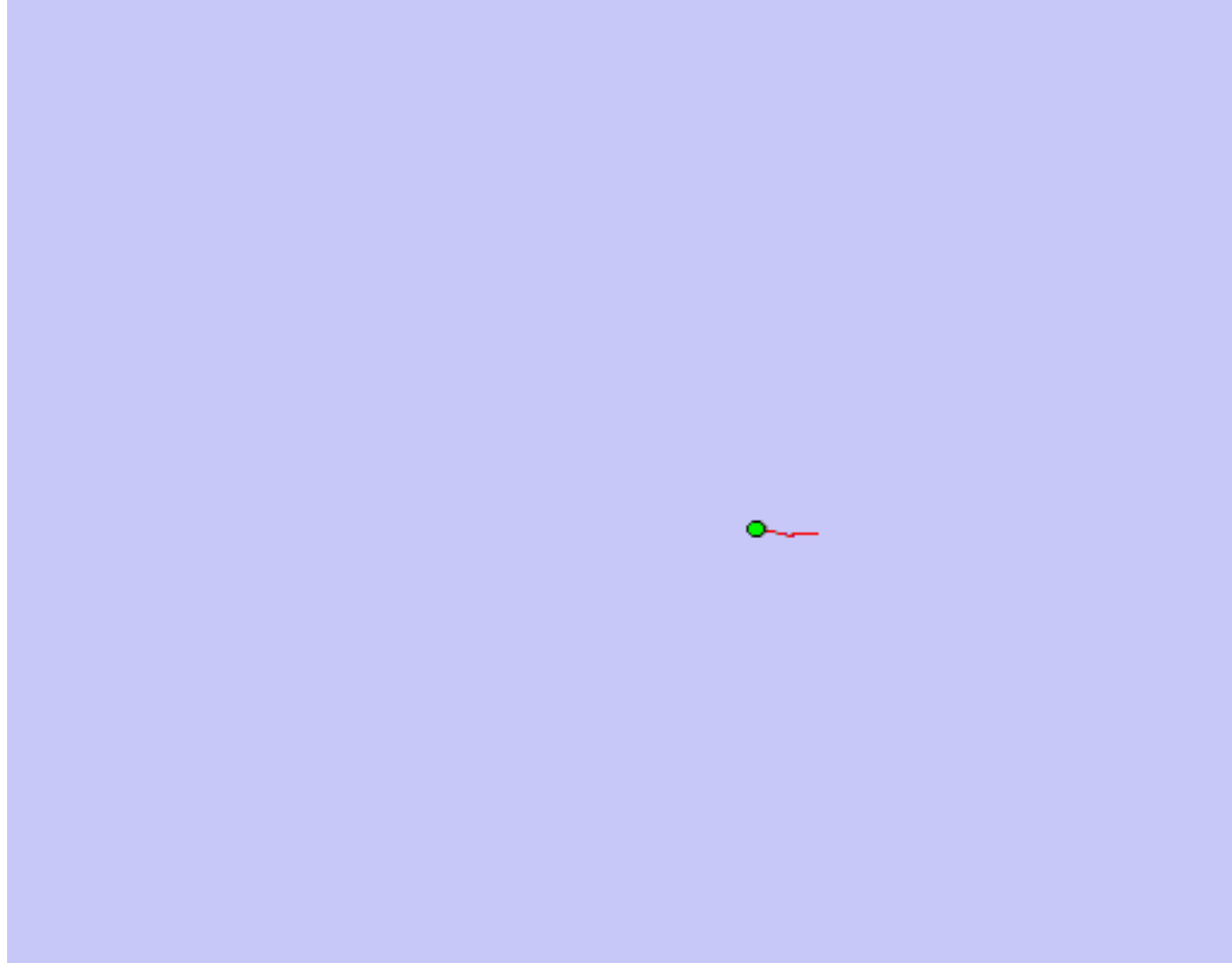
$$logodd(o_{ij}|m_{ij}) = \log \frac{P(m_{ij}|o_{ij})P(o_{ij})}{P(m_{ij}|\neg o_{ij})P(\neg o_{ij})} = \log \frac{P(m_{ij}|o_{ij})}{P(m_{ij}|\neg o_{ij})} + \log \frac{P(o_{ij})}{P(\neg o_{ij})}$$

Ratio between
measurement likelihoods

Log odds before
measurement



Mapping with Raw Odometry (assuming known poses)



Scan Matching

Correct odometry by maximizing the likelihood of pose t based on the estimates of pose and map at time $t-1$.

$$\hat{x}_t = \arg \max_{x_t} \left\{ p(z_t \mid x_t, \hat{m}^{[t-1]}) \cdot p(x_t \mid u_{t-1}, \hat{x}_{t-1}) \right\}$$

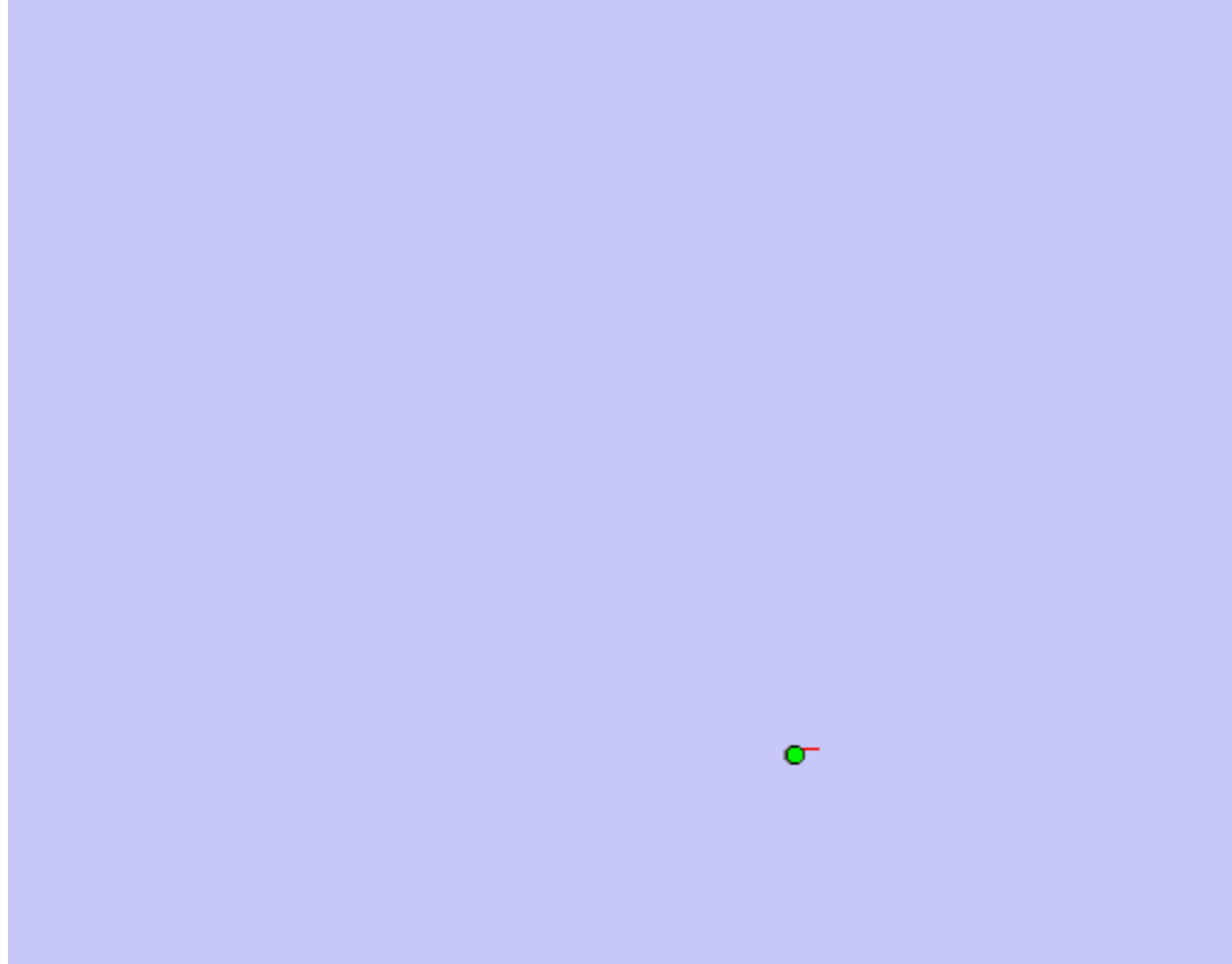
current measurement map constructed so far robot motion

Then compute the map $\hat{m}^{[t]}$ according to “mapping with known poses” based on the new pose and current observations.

Alternate the two steps of localization and mapping ...



Scan Matching Example



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Does not keep track of the uncertainty in the process

current map

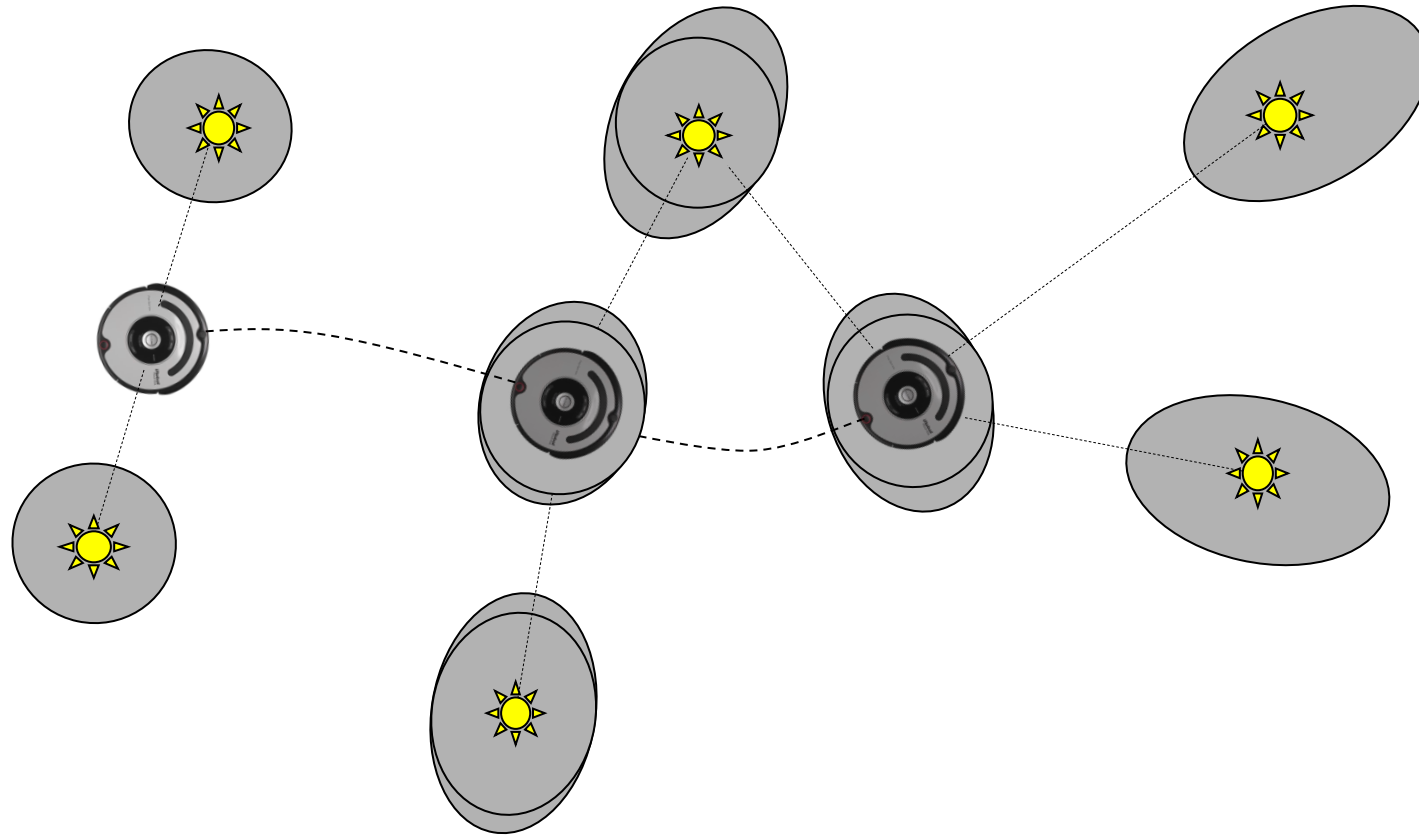
motion

map constructed so far

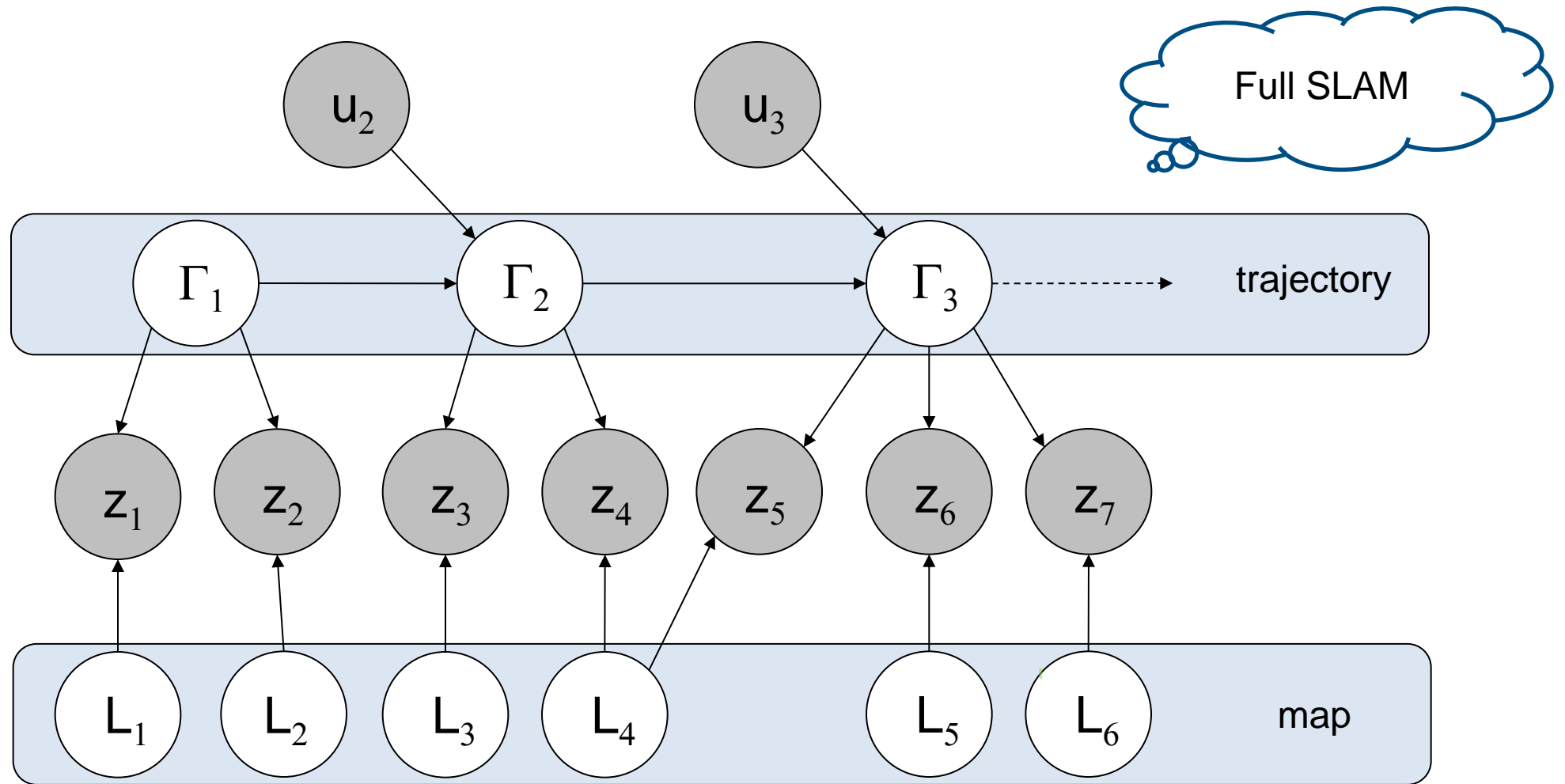
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Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM)

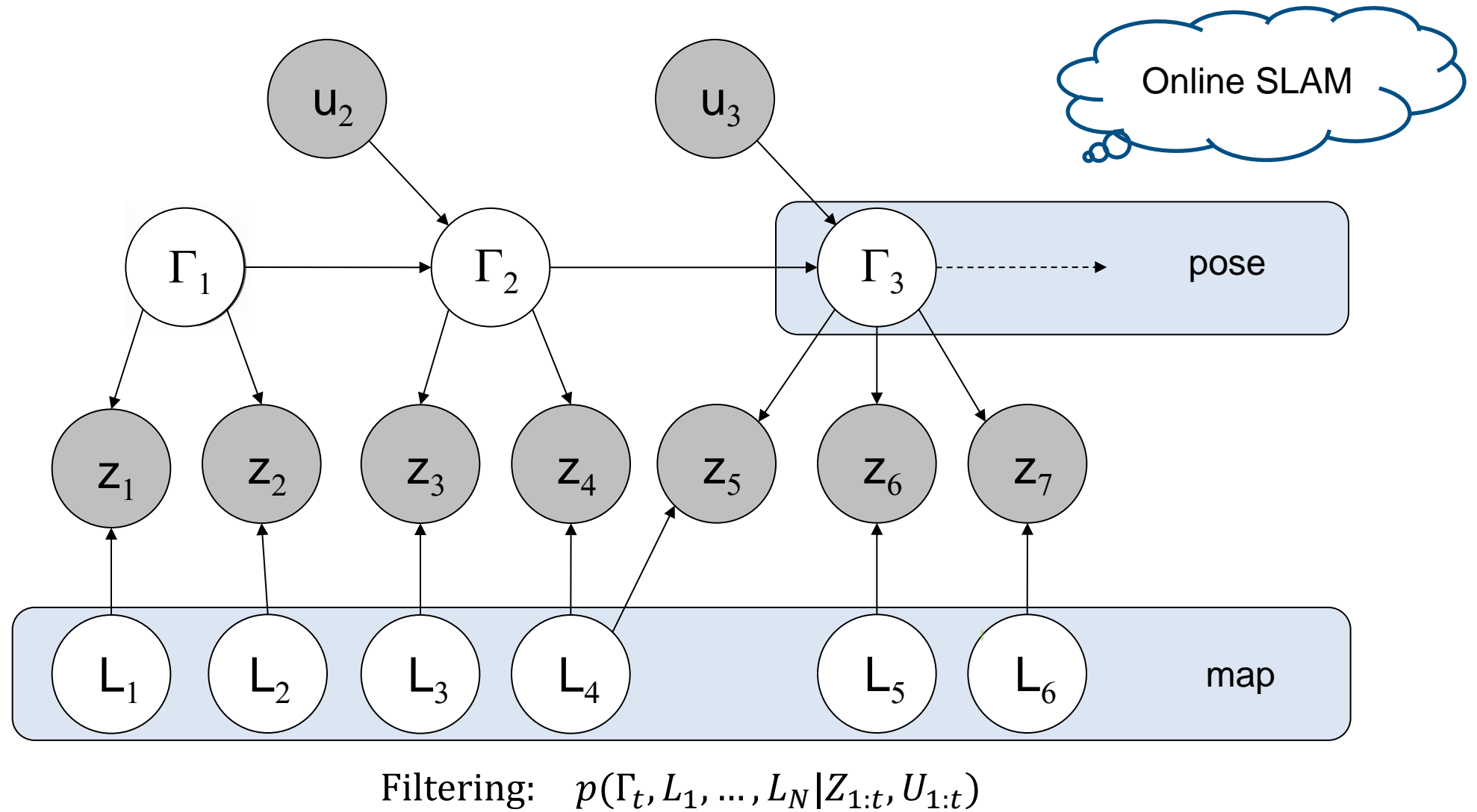


Dynamic Bayesian Networks and Full SLAM



Smoothing: $p(\Gamma_{1:t}, L_1, \dots, L_N | Z_{1:t}, U_{1:t})$

Dynamic Bayesian Networks and Online SLAM



SLAM: Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

Full SLAM: $p(x_{1:t}, m \mid z_{1:t}, u_{1:t})$

Simultaneous estimate
of path and map

Integrals computed
one at the time

Online SLAM: $p(x_t, m \mid z_{1:t}, u_{1:t}) = \int \int \dots \int p(x_{1:t}, m \mid z_{1:t}, u_{1:t}) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_{t-1}$

Simultaneous estimate of
most recent pose and map

SLAM: Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

Full SLAM: $p(x_{1:t}, m \mid z_{1:t}, u_{1:t})$

Two famous examples!

Extended Kalman Filter (EKF) SLAM

- Uses a linearized Gaussian probability distribution
- Solves the Online SLAM problem

FastSLAM

- Uses a sampled particle filter distribution model
- Solves the Full SLAM problem

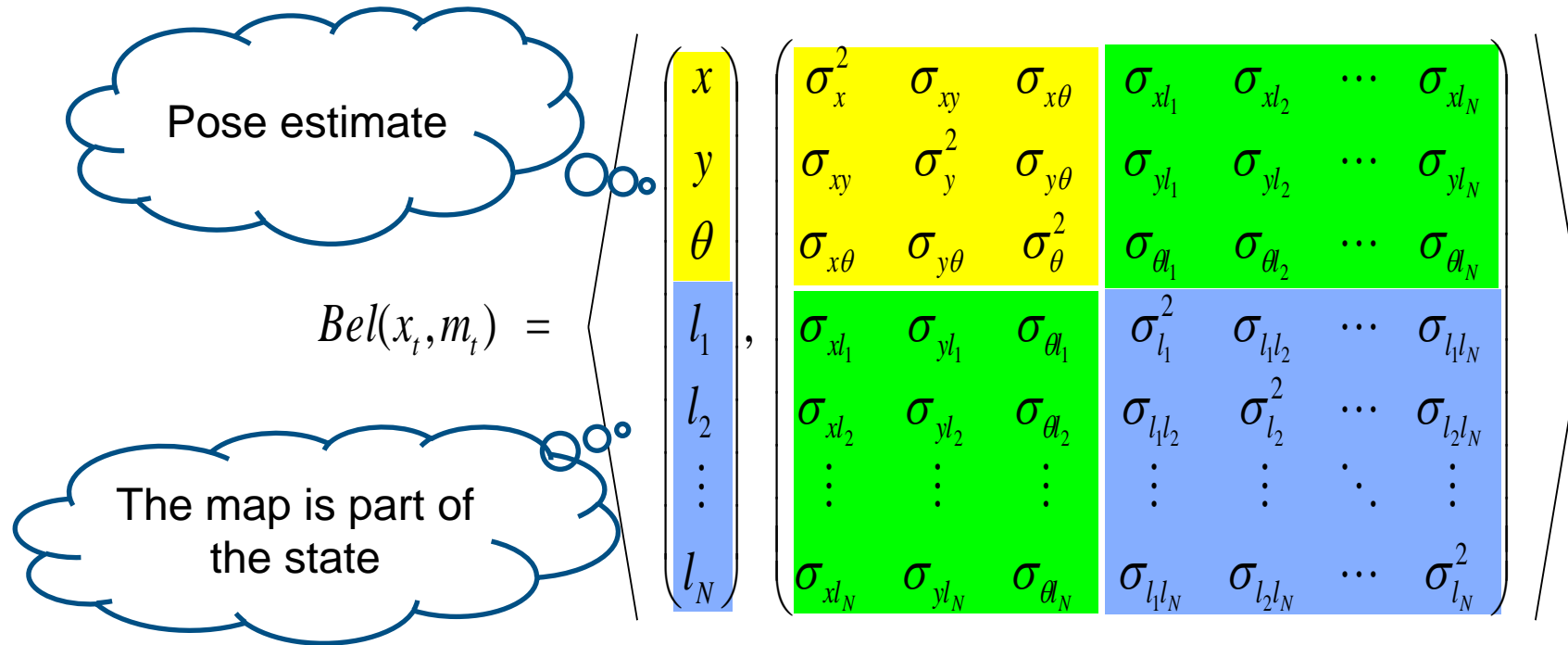
Online SLAM: $p(x_t, m \mid z_{1:t}, u_{1:t})$

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x_{t-1}



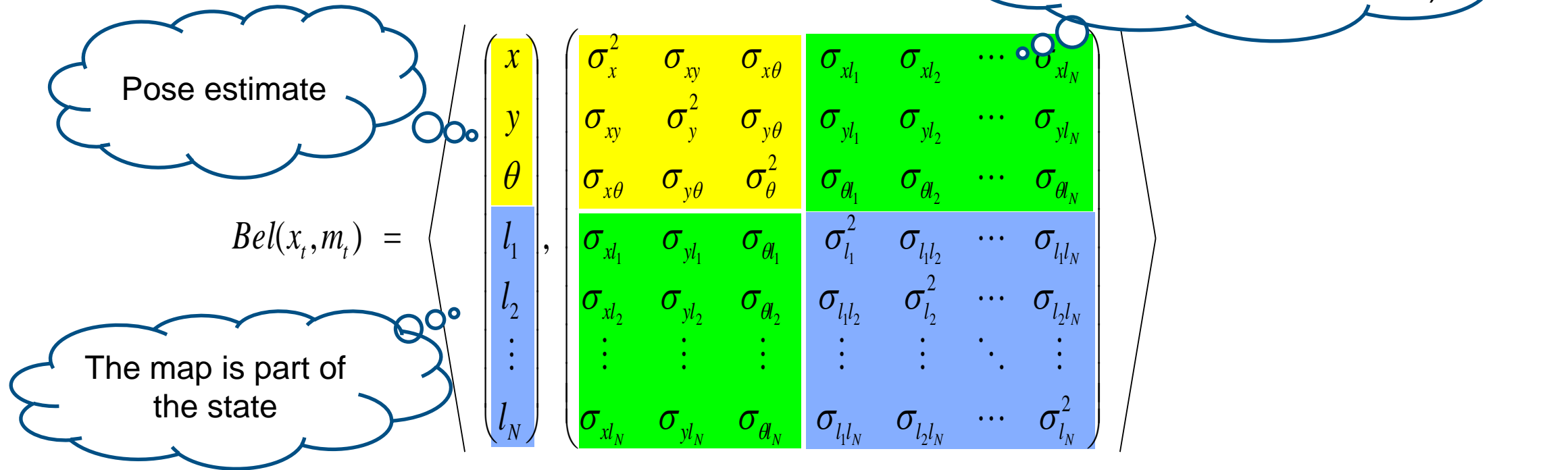
Map with N landmarks: (3+2N)-dimensional Gaussian



$$x_t = A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t + \varepsilon_t$$

$$p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) = N(x_t; A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t, R_t)$$

Map with N landmarks: (3+2N)-dimensional Gaussian



$$z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t$$

$$p(z_t | x_t) = N(z_t; C_t x_t, Q_t)$$

Bayes Filter: The Algorithm

$$Bel(x_t) = \eta P(z_t | x_t) \int P(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) Bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

Algorithm Bayes_filter($Bel(x)$, d):

If d is a perceptual data item z then

For all x do

$$Bel'(x) = P(z | x) Bel(x)$$

correction

Else if d is an action data item u then

For all x do

$$Bel'(x) = \int P(x | u, x') Bel(x') dx'$$

prediction

Return $Bel'(x)$



Kalman Filter Algorithm

Algorithm Kalman_filter($\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t$):

Prediction: $\bar{\mu}_t = A_t \mu_{t-1} + B_t u_t$
 $\bar{\Sigma}_t = A_t \Sigma_{t-1} A_t^T + R_t$

Correction: $K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1}$
 $\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t (z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$
 $\Sigma_t = (I - K_t C_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t$

Return μ_t, Σ_t

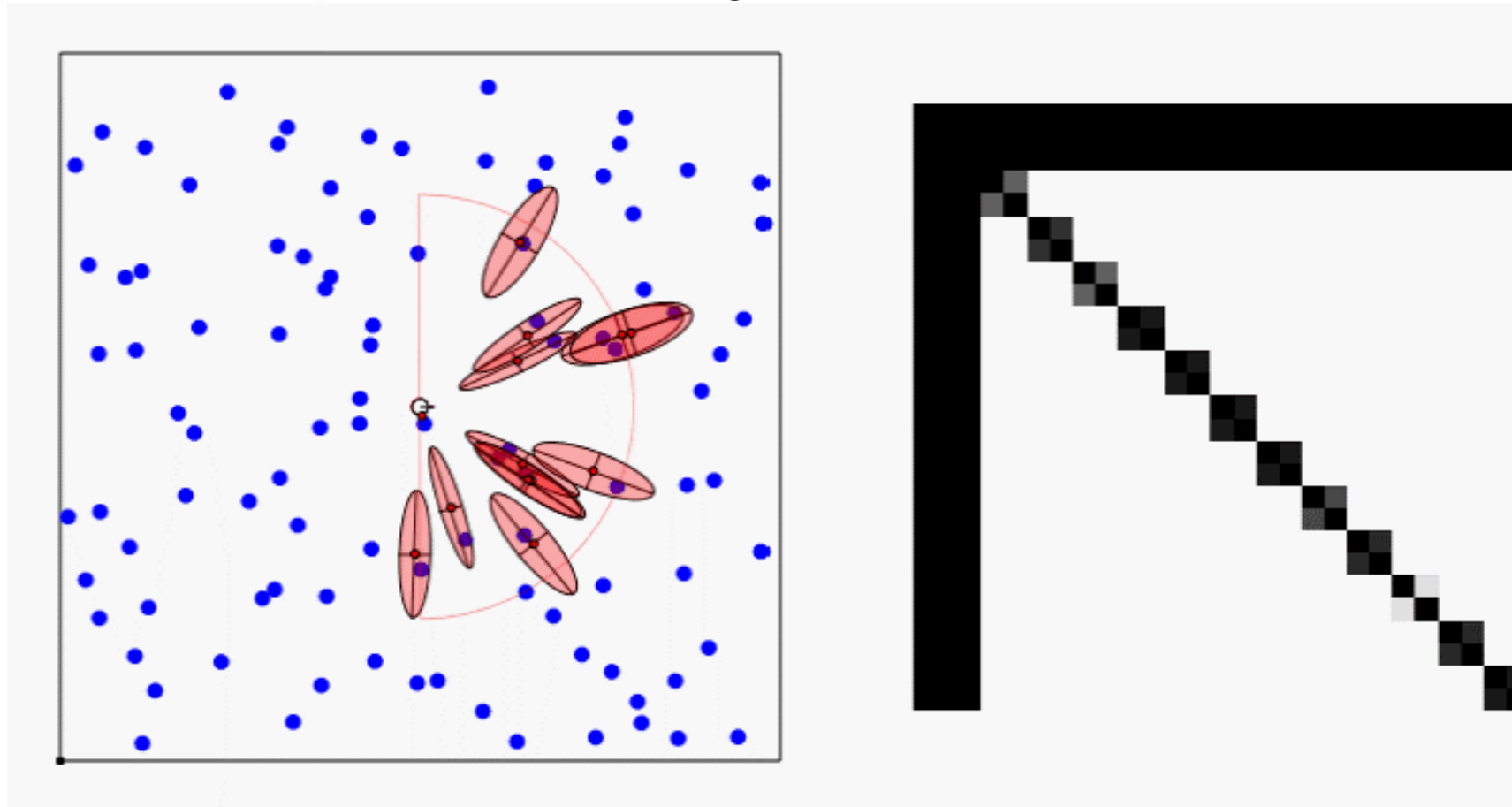
Not much different from standard EKF ... but the state dimension increases!!

$Bel(x_t, m_t) =$

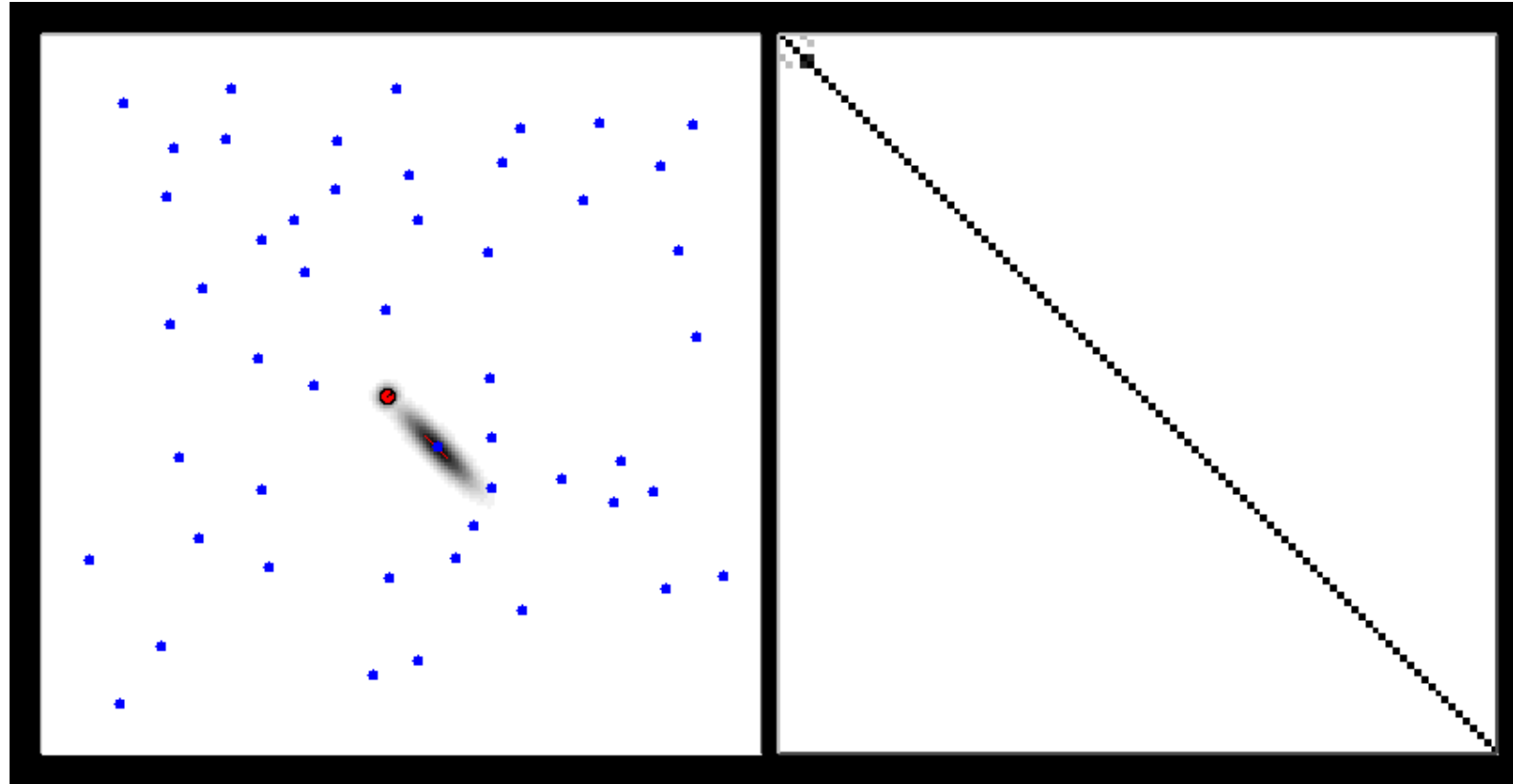
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Classical Solution – The EKF

Approximate the SLAM posterior with a high-dimensional Gaussian

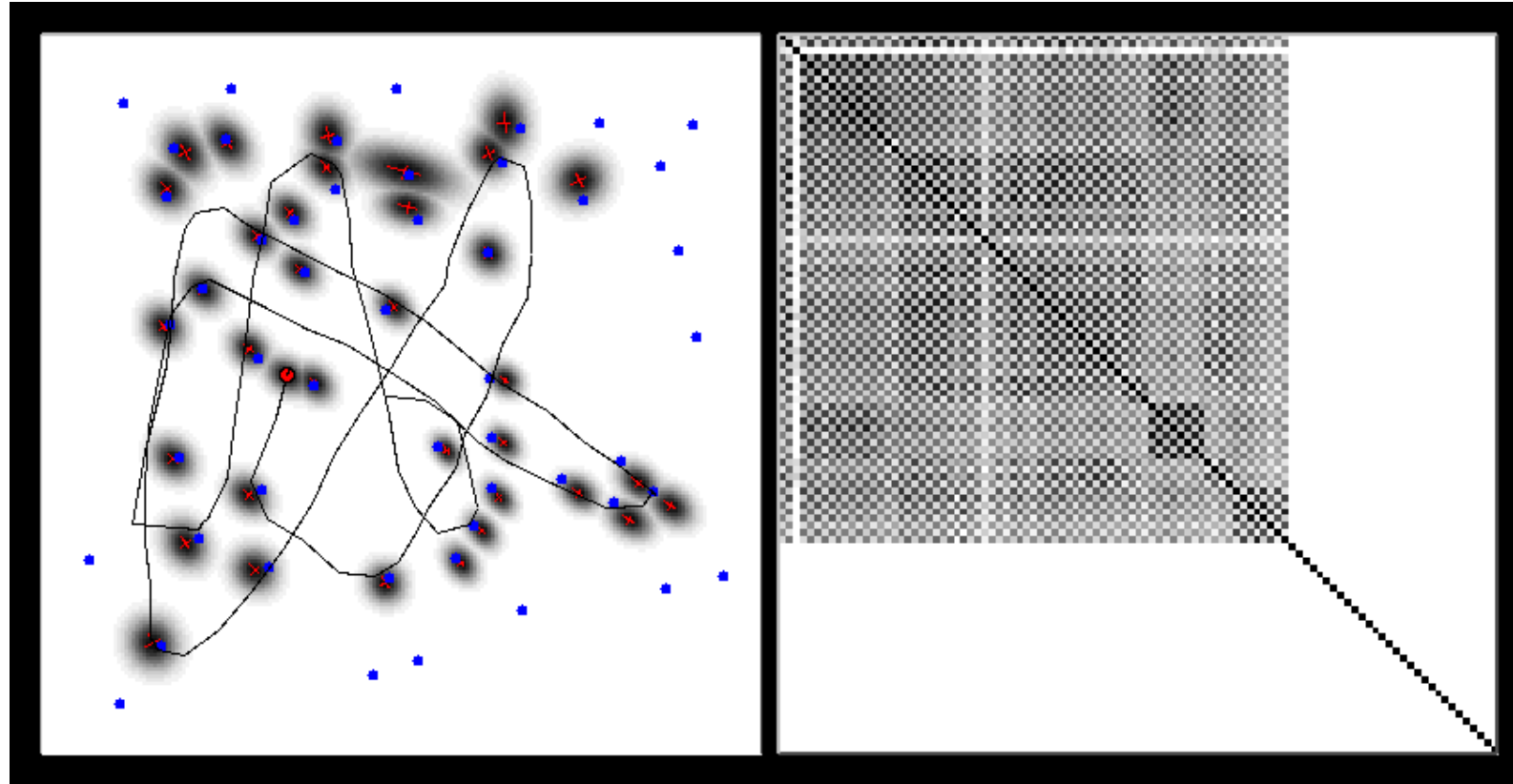


Blue path = true path **Red path** = estimated path **Black path** = odometry



Map

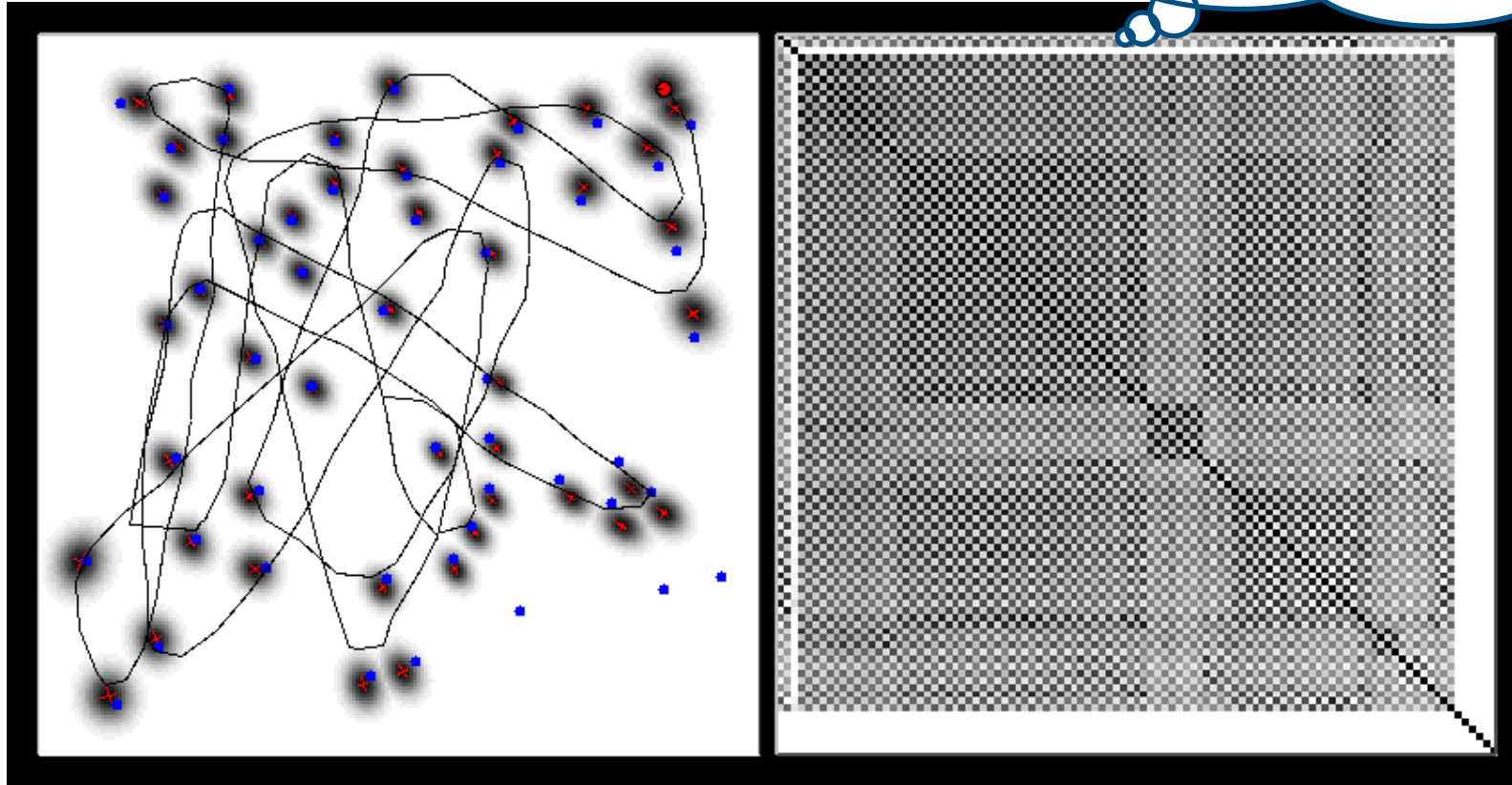
Correlation matrix



Map

Correlation matrix

Landmark positions
uncorrelated with the robot
orientation ...



Map

Correlation matrix

Properties of KF-SLAM (Linear Case)

Theorem: The determinant of any sub-matrix of the map covariance matrix decreases monotonically as successive observations are made.

Theorem: In the limit the landmark estimates become fully correlated

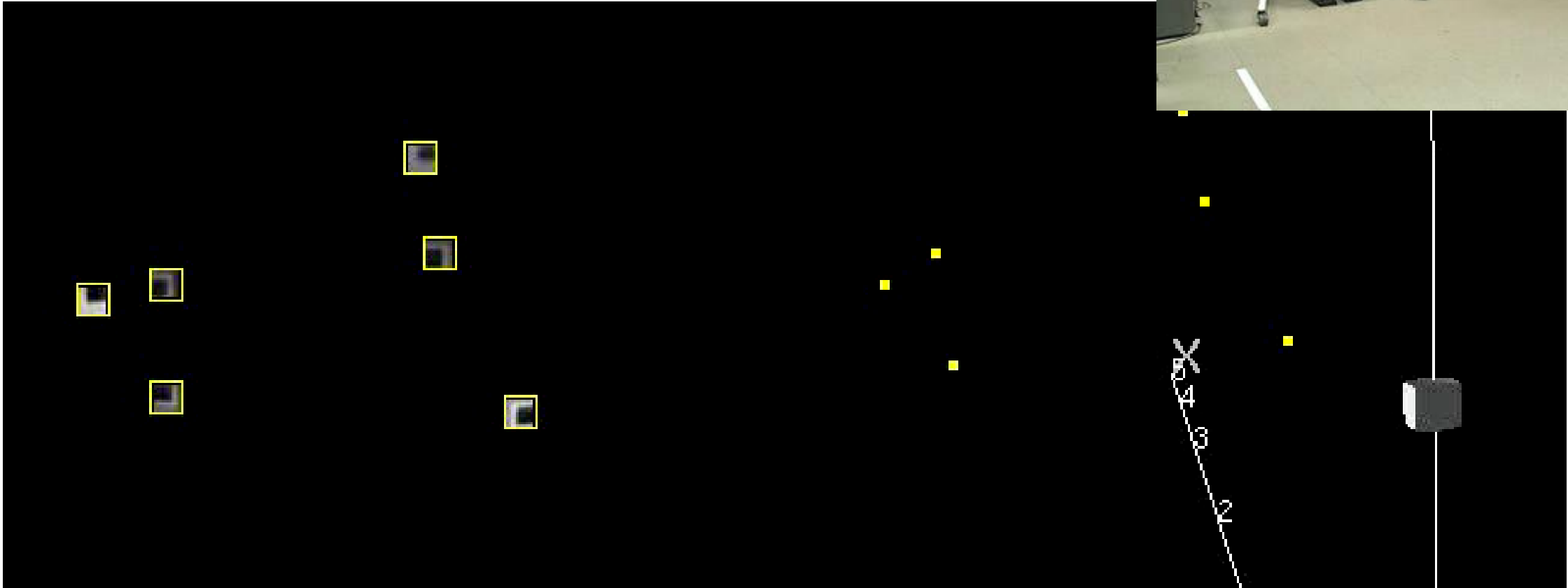
[Dissanayake et al., 2001]

Are we happy about this?

- Quadratic in the number of landmarks: $O(n^2)$
- Convergence results for the linear case
- Can diverge if nonlinearities are large!
- Have been applied successfully in large-scale environments.
- Approximations reduce the computational complexity.



Monocular SLAM Origins ...



Real-Time Camera Tracking in Unknown Scenes



Larger size environments ...



Federated Information Sharing SLAM - Vision Only

BLUE: predicted points - CYAN: updated points - MAGENTA: predicted rays - RED: updated rays



Beyond EKF-SLAM

EKF-SLAM works pretty well but ...

- EKF-SLAM employs linearized models of nonlinear motion and observation models and so inherits many caveats.
- Computational effort is demand because computation grows quadratically with the number of landmarks.

Possible solutions

- Local submaps [Leonard & al 99, Bosse & al 02, Newman & al 03]
- Sparse links (correlations) [Lu & Milios 97, Guivant & Nebot 01]
- Sparse extended information filters [Frese et al. 01, Thrun et al. 02]
- Rao-Blackwellisation (FastSLAM) [Murphy 99, Montemerlo et al. 02, ...]
 - Represents nonlinear process and non-Gaussian uncertainty
 - Rao-Blackwellized method reduces computation



Our Full SLAM
solution



The FastSLAM Idea (Full SLAM)

In the general case we have

$$p(x_t, m|z_t) \neq p(x_t|z_t)p(m|z_t)$$

However if we consider the full trajectory X_t rather than the single pose x_t

$$p(X_t, m|z_t) = p(X_t|z_t)p(m|X_t, z_t)$$

In FastSLAM, the trajectory X_t is represented by particles $X_t(i)$ while the map is represented by a factorization called Rao-Blackwellized Filter

- $p(X_t|z_t)$ through particles
- $p(m|X_t, z_t)$ using an EKF

$$p(m|X_t^{(i)}, z_t) = \prod_j^M p(m_j|X_t^{(i)}, z_t)$$

map poses

FastSLAM Formulation

Decouple map of features from poses ...

- Each particle represents a robot trajectory
- Feature measurements are correlated through the robot trajectory
- If the robot trajectory is known all of the features would be uncorrelated
- Treat each pose particle as if it is the true trajectory, processing all of the feature measurements independently

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{trajectory map} \quad \text{observations \& movements} \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \swarrow \\ p(x_{1:t}, l_{1:m} \mid z_{1:t}, u_{0:t-1}) = \\ \uparrow \quad \underbrace{p(x_{1:t} \mid z_{1:t}, u_{0:t-1})}_{\text{Robot path posterior}} \cdot \underbrace{p(l_{1:m} \mid x_{1:t}, z_{1:t})}_{\text{Landmark positions}} \\ \text{SLAM posterior} \end{array}$$

Factored Posterior: Rao-Blackwellization

$$\begin{aligned} & p(x_{1:t}, l_{1:m} \mid z_{1:t}, u_{0:t-1}) \\ &= p(x_{1:t} \mid z_{1:t}, u_{0:t-1}) \cdot p(l_{1:m} \mid x_{1:t}, z_{1:t}) \\ &= p(x_{1:t} \mid z_{1:t}, u_{0:t-1}) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^M p(l_i \mid x_{1:t}, z_{1:t}) \end{aligned}$$

Robot path posterior
(localization problem)

Conditionally independent
landmark positions

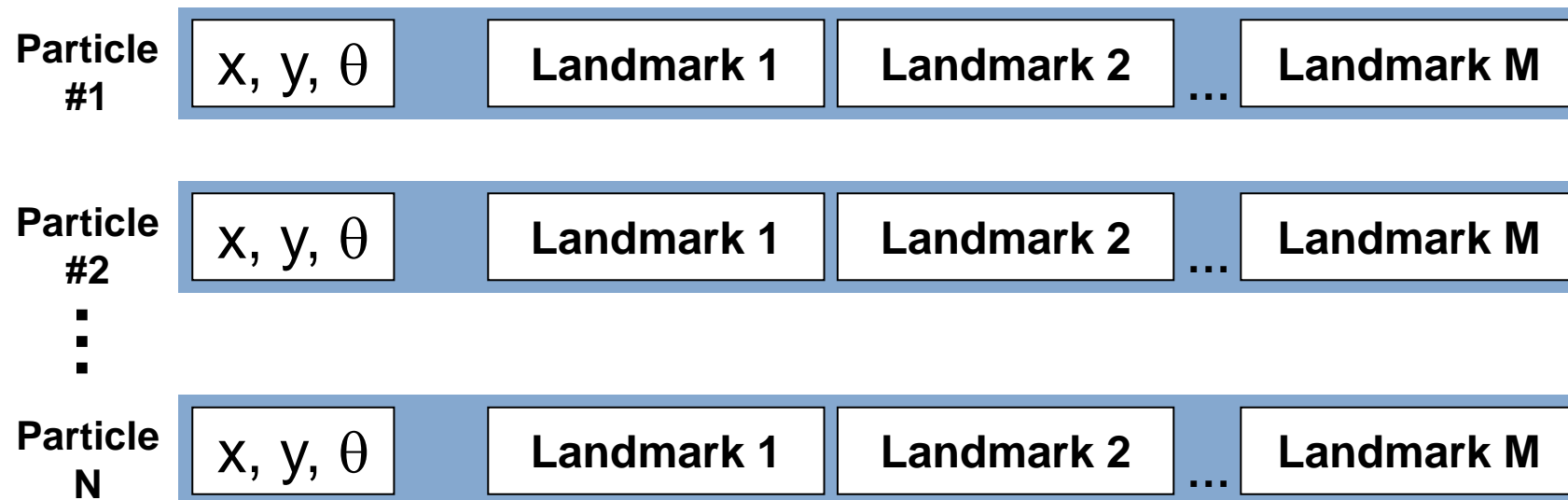
Dimension of state space is reduced by factorization making particle filtering possible

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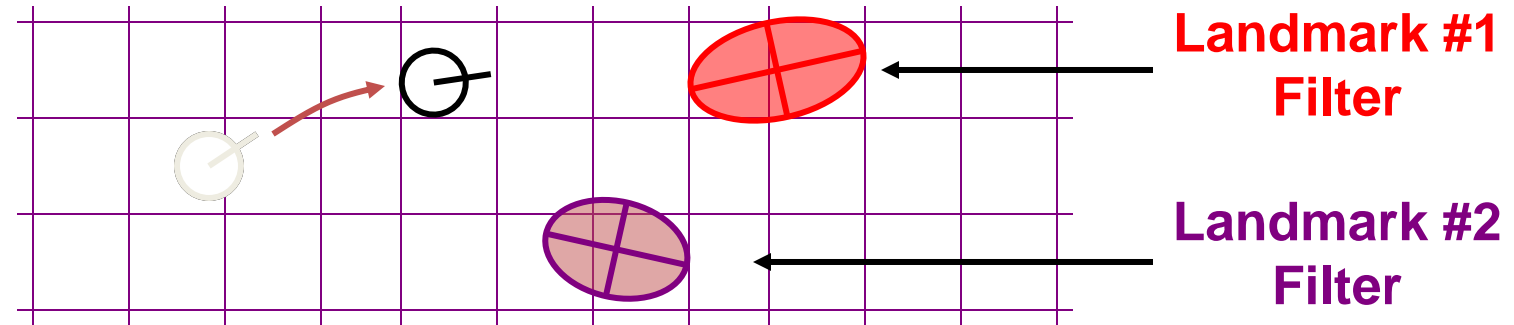
Rao-Blackwellized particle filtering based on landmarks [Montemerlo et al., 2002]

- Each particle is a trajectory (last pose + reference to previous)
- Each landmark is represented by a 2x2 Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)
- Each particle therefore has to maintain M EKFs

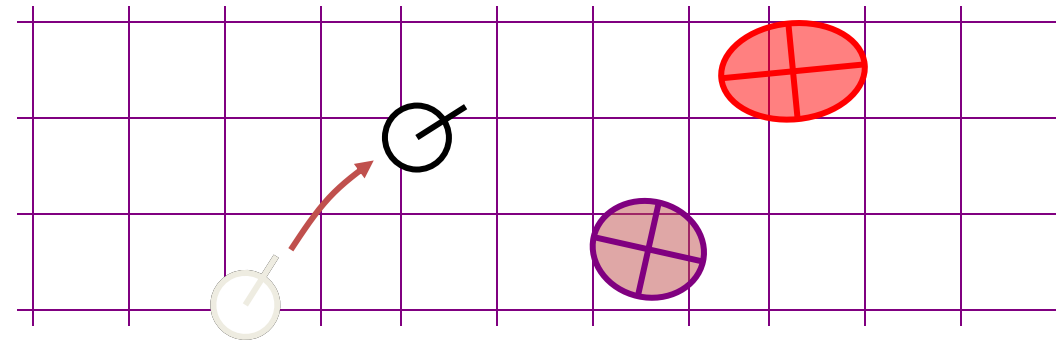


FastSLAM – Action Update

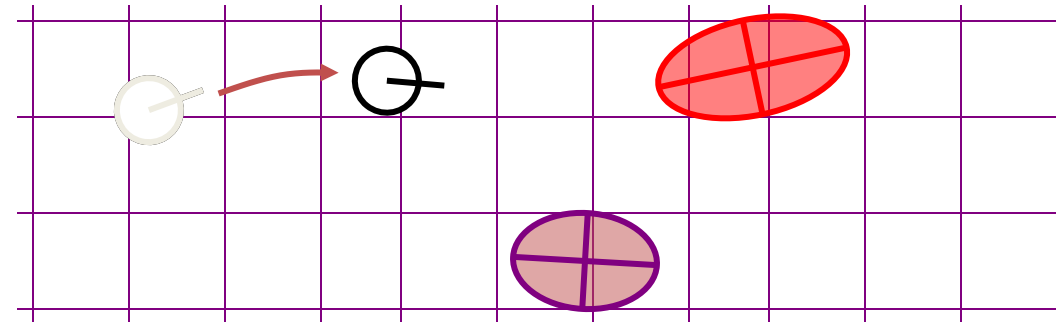
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Particle #2

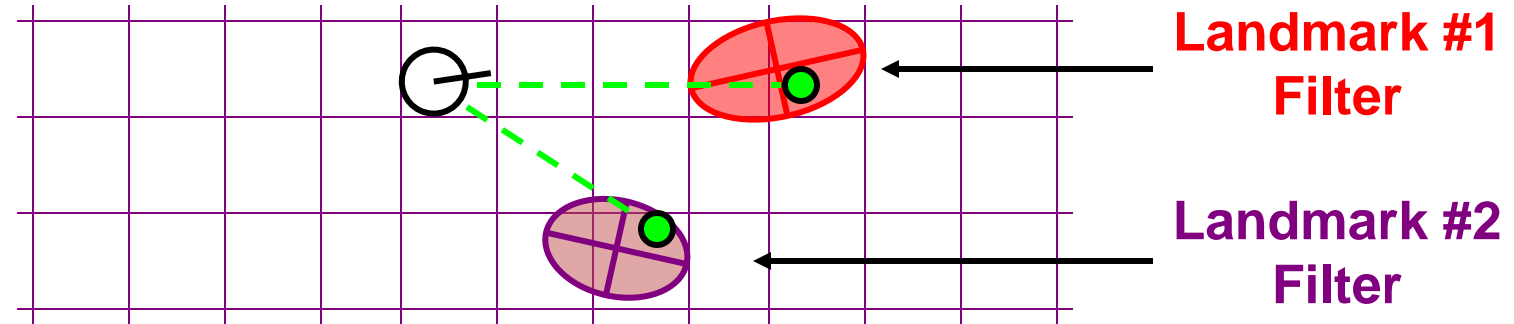


Particle #3

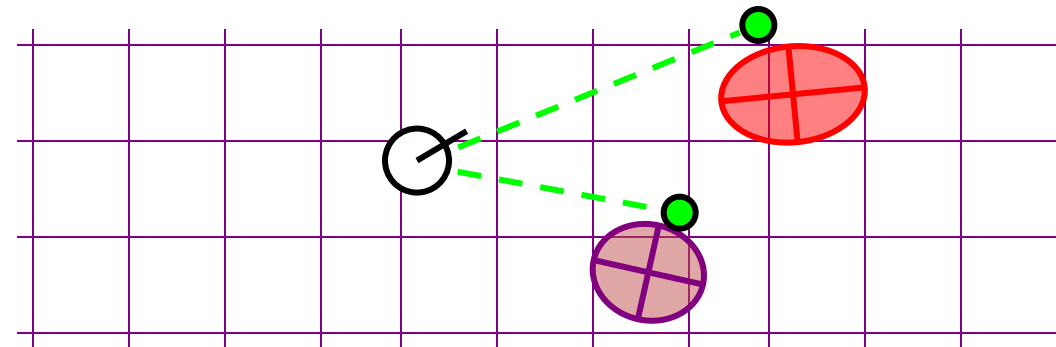


FastSLAM – Sensor Update

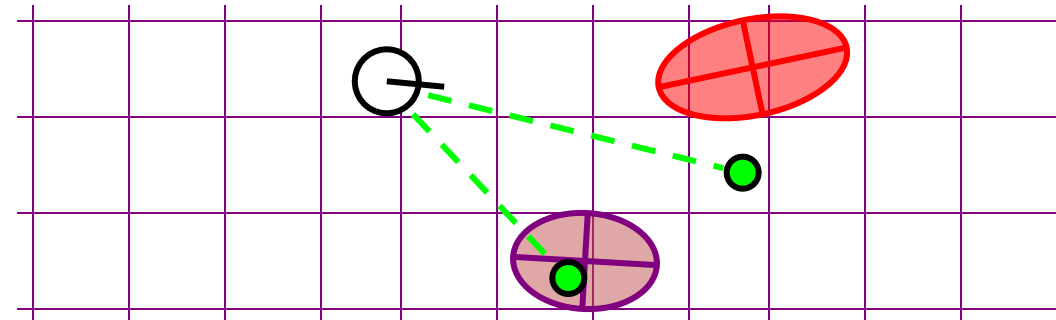
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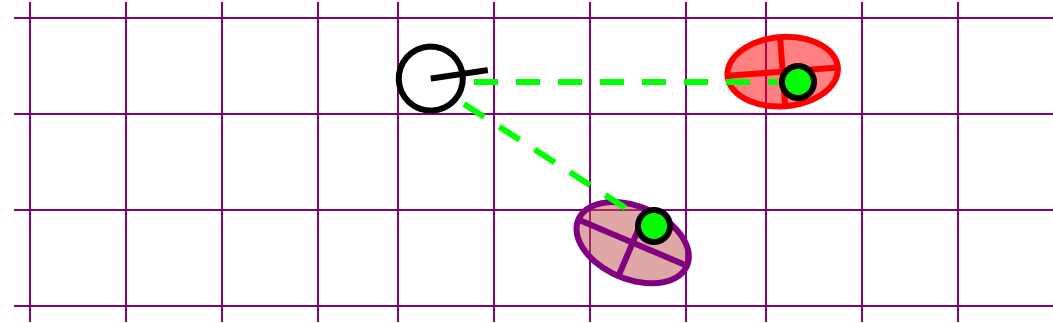


Particle #3



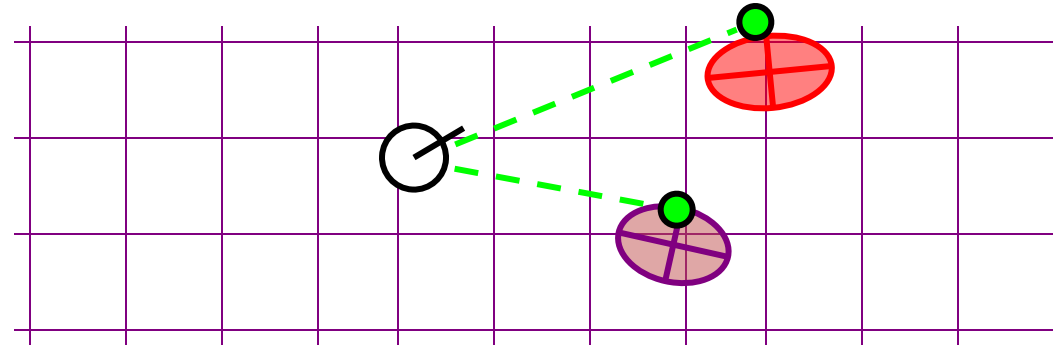
FastSLAM – Sensor Update

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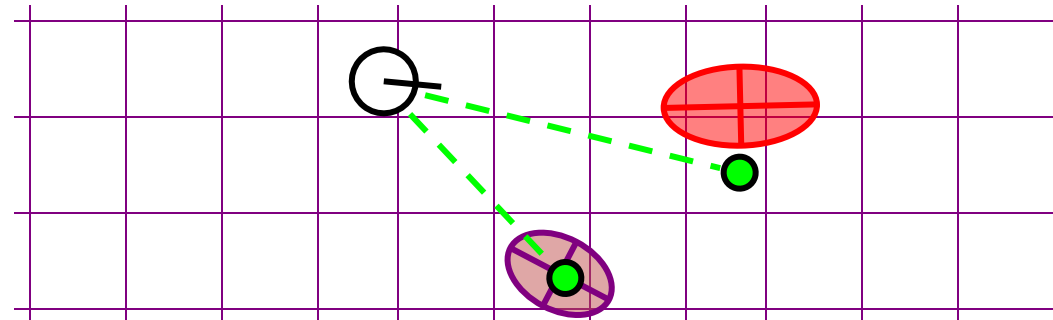
Weight = 0.8

Particle #2



Weight = 0.4

Particle #3



Weight = 0.1

FastSLAM Complexity

Update robot particles based on control u_{t-1} $O(N)$ Constant time
per particle

Incorporate observation z_t into Kalman filters $O(N \cdot \log(M))$ Log time
per particle

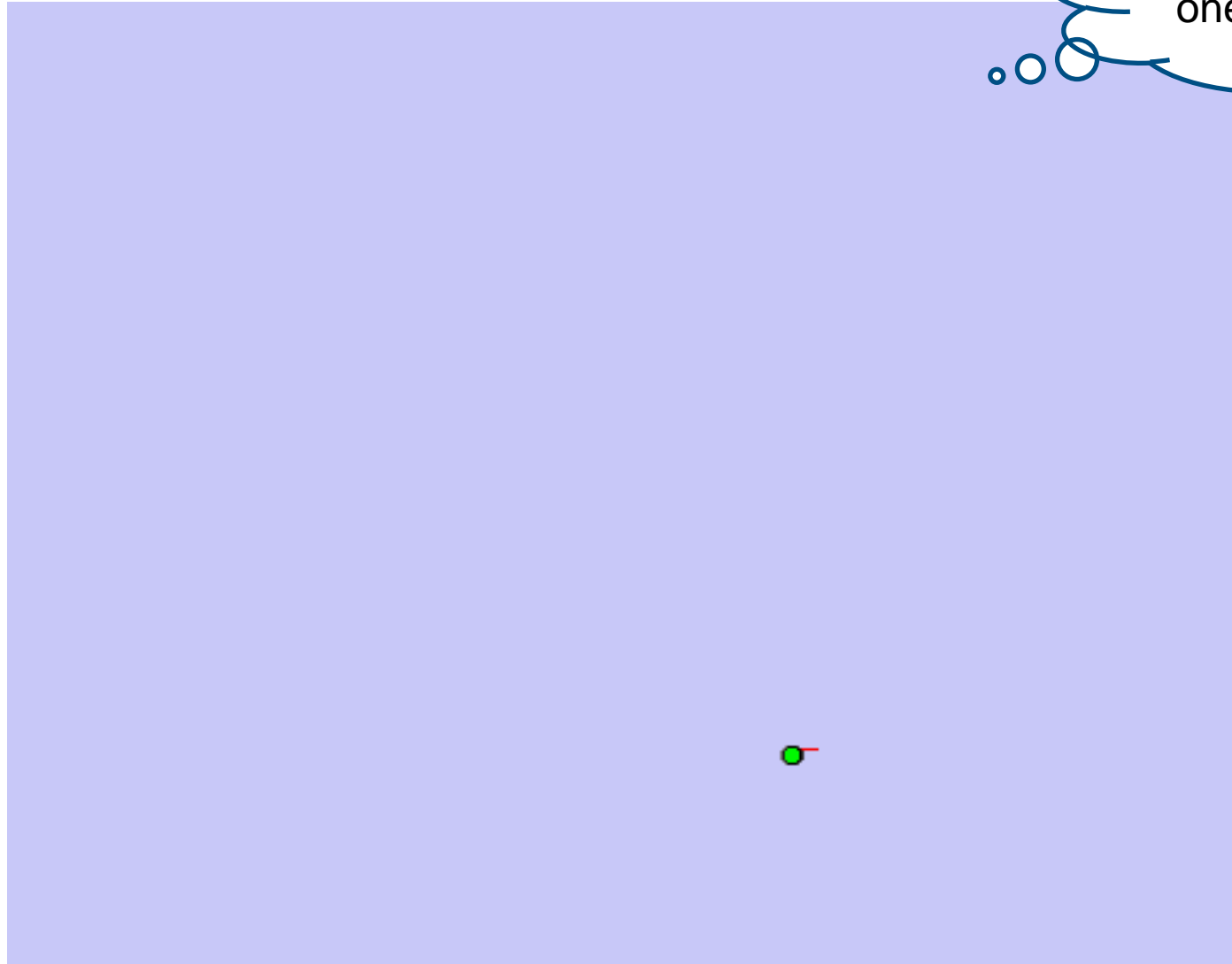
Resample particle set $O(N \cdot \log(M))$ Log time
per particle

$O(N \cdot \log(M))$
Log time per particle

$N = \text{Number of particles}$
 $M = \text{Number of map features}$

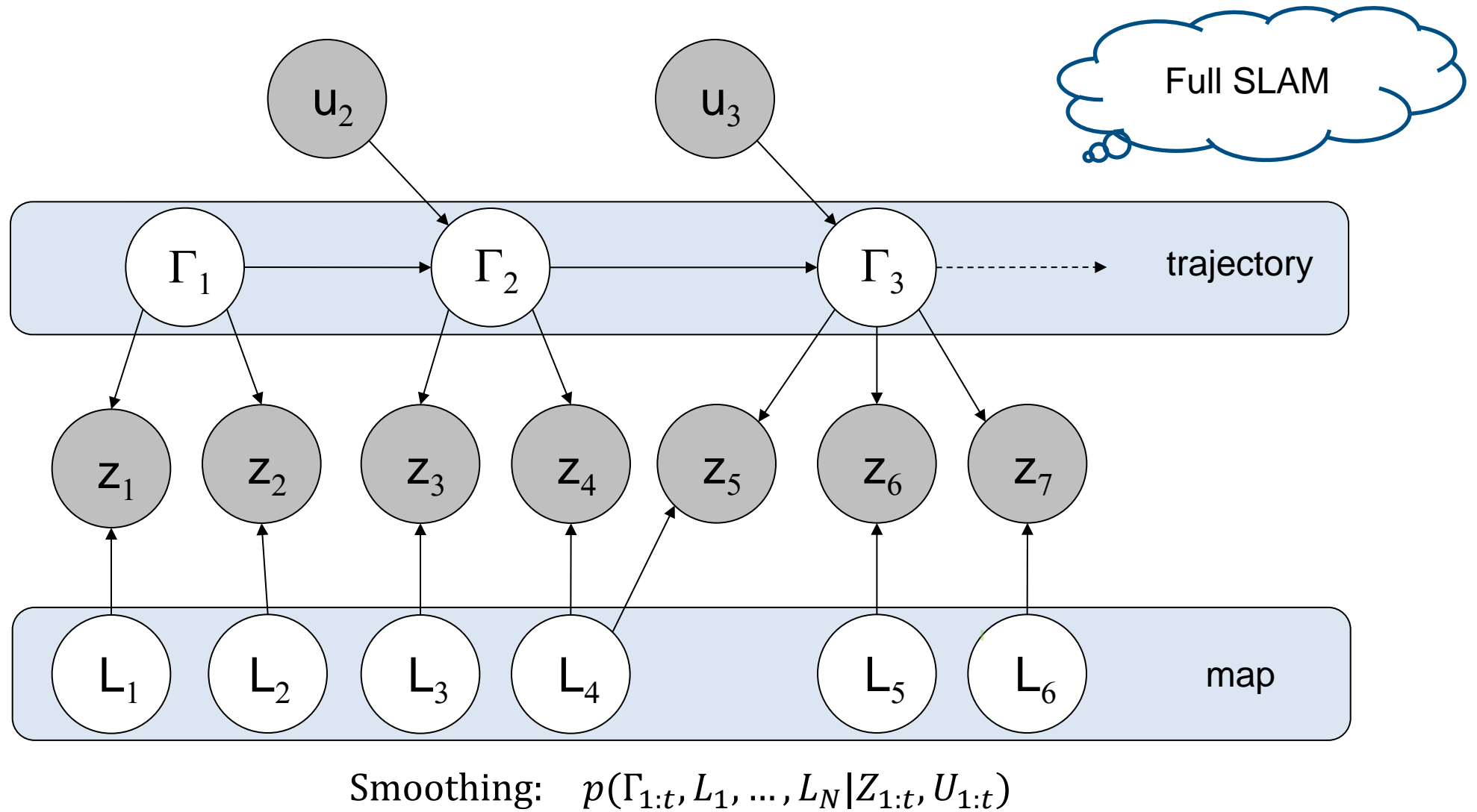


Fast-SLAM Example



Impressive result, but no one does this any more!

Dynamic Bayesian Networks and Full SLAM



Bayesian Networks and Maximum A Posteriori

In Full SLAM we model

$$X = \Gamma_{0:t}, L_{1:n}$$

$$p(X|Z, U) = p(\Gamma_{0:t}, L_1, \dots, L_n | z_{1:t}, u_{1:t})$$

then we look for Maximum A Posteriori

$$X^{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax} p(X|Z, U)$$

given

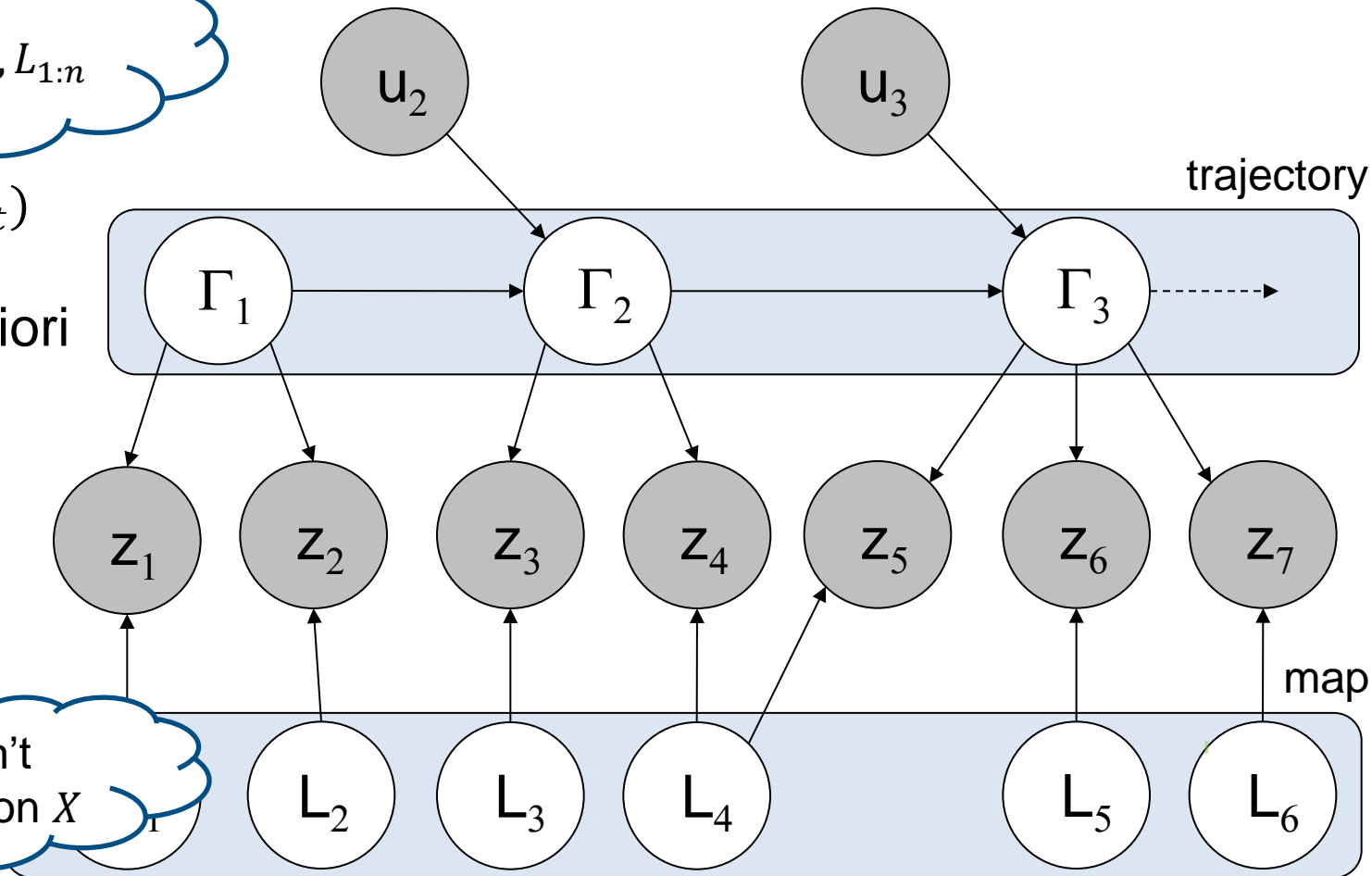
$$p(X|Z, U) = P(X, Z, U) / P(Z, U)$$

we can solve for

$$X^{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax} p(X, Z, U)$$

Doesn't
depend on X

Full Joint
Distribution

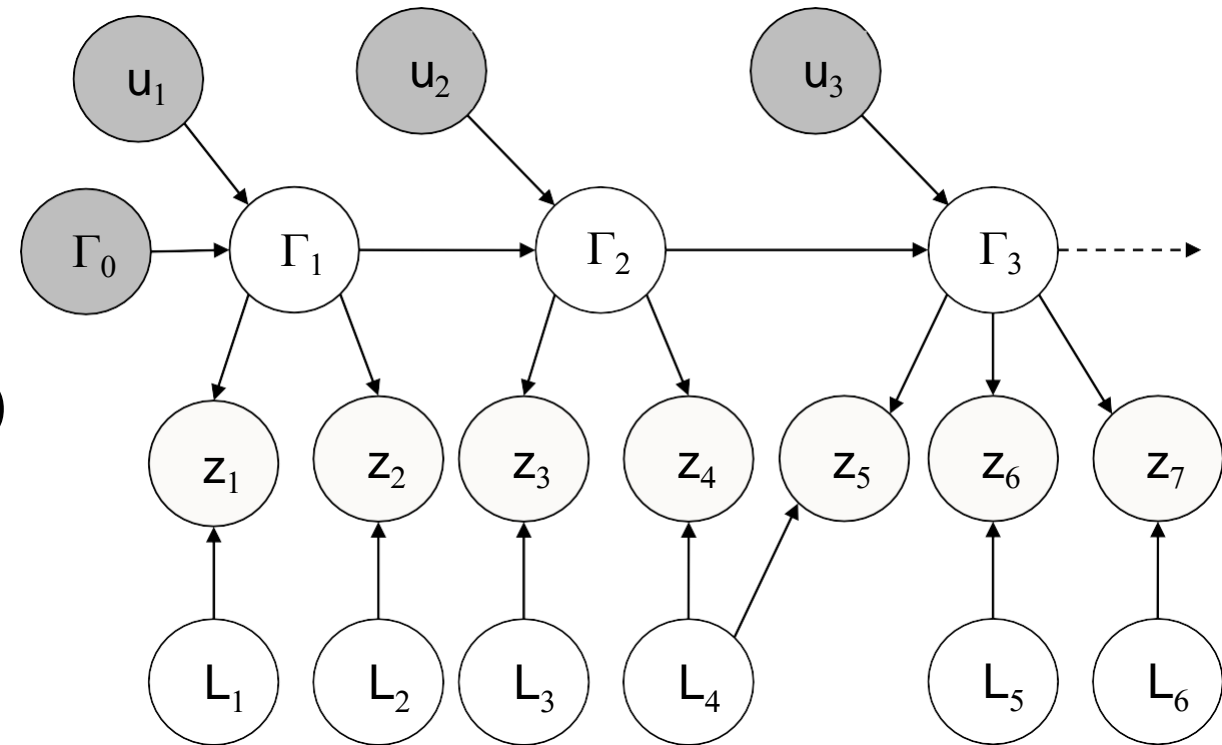


Smoothing: $p(\Gamma_{1:t}, L_1, \dots, L_N | Z_{1:t}, U_{1:t})$

Bayesian Networks and Joint Distribution

The full joint distribution of a Bayesian network is the product of the conditionals

$$\begin{aligned} p(X, Z, U) &= p(\Gamma_{0:3}, L_{1:6}, z_{1:7}, u_{1:3}) = \\ &= p(\Gamma_0)p(\Gamma_1|\Gamma_0, u_1)p(\Gamma_2|\Gamma_1, u_2)p(\Gamma_3|\Gamma_2, u_3) \\ &\quad p(z_1|\Gamma_1, L_1)p(L_1)p(z_2|\Gamma_1, L_2)p(L_2) \\ &\quad p(z_3|\Gamma_2, L_3)p(L_3)p(z_4|\Gamma_2, L_4)p(L_4) \\ &\quad p(z_5|\Gamma_3, L_4)p(z_6|\Gamma_3, L_5)p(L_5) \\ &\quad p(z_7|\Gamma_3, L_6)p(L_6) \end{aligned}$$



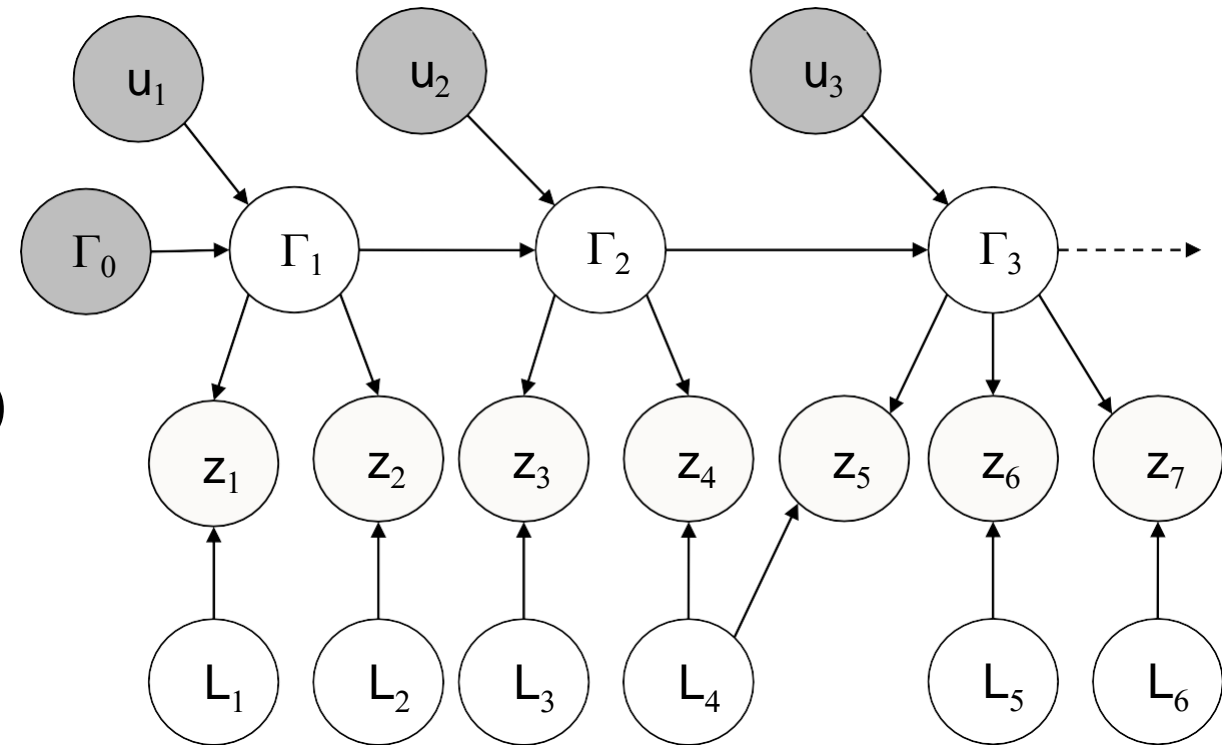
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$$\begin{aligned} &= \phi(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_0, u_1)\phi(\Gamma_2, \Gamma_1, u_2)\phi(\Gamma_3, \Gamma_2, u_3)\phi(z_1, \Gamma_1, L_1)\phi(z_2, \Gamma_1, L_2) \\ &\quad \phi(z_3, \Gamma_2, L_3)\phi(z_4, \Gamma_2, L_4)\phi(z_5, \Gamma_3, L_4)\phi(z_6, \Gamma_3, L_5)\phi(z_7, \Gamma_3, L_6) \end{aligned}$$



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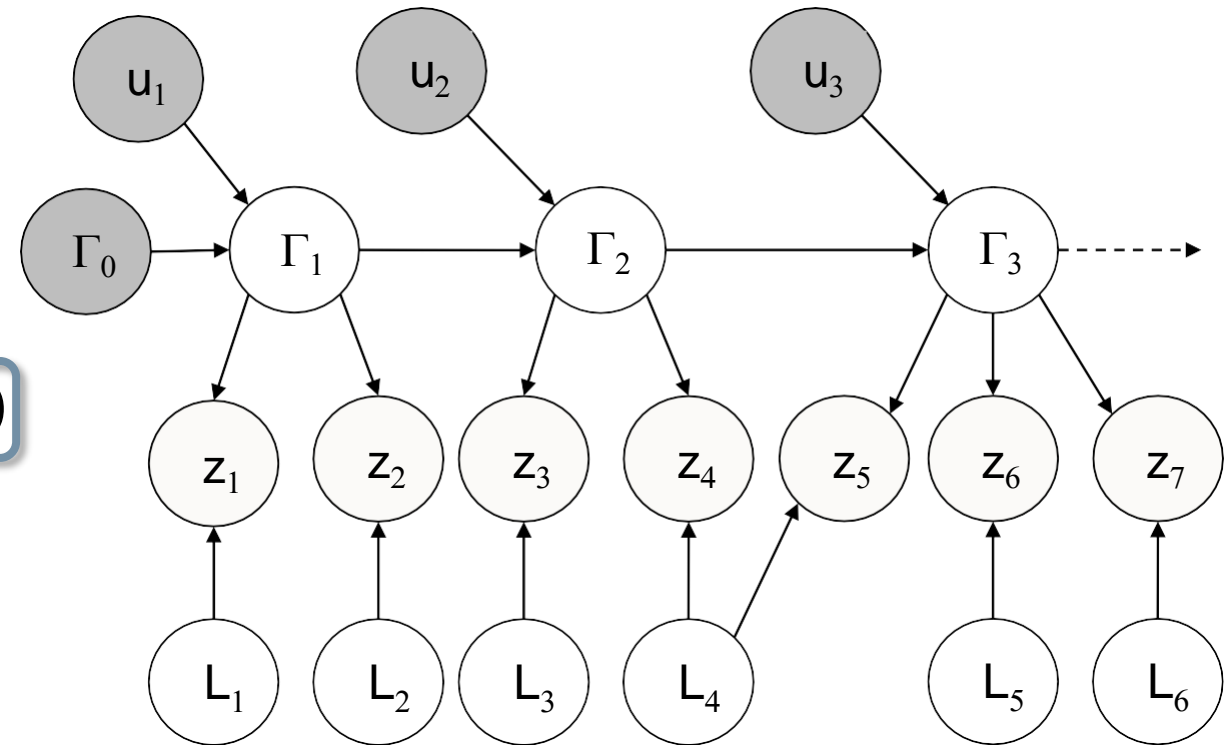
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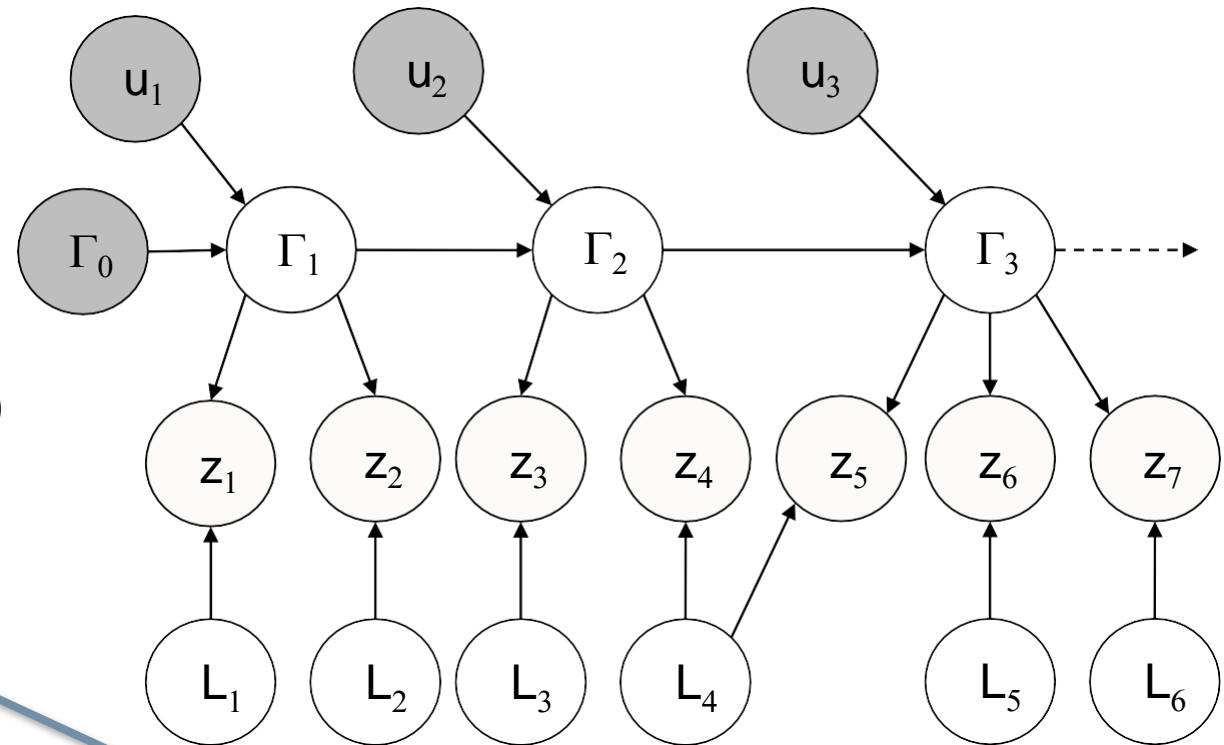
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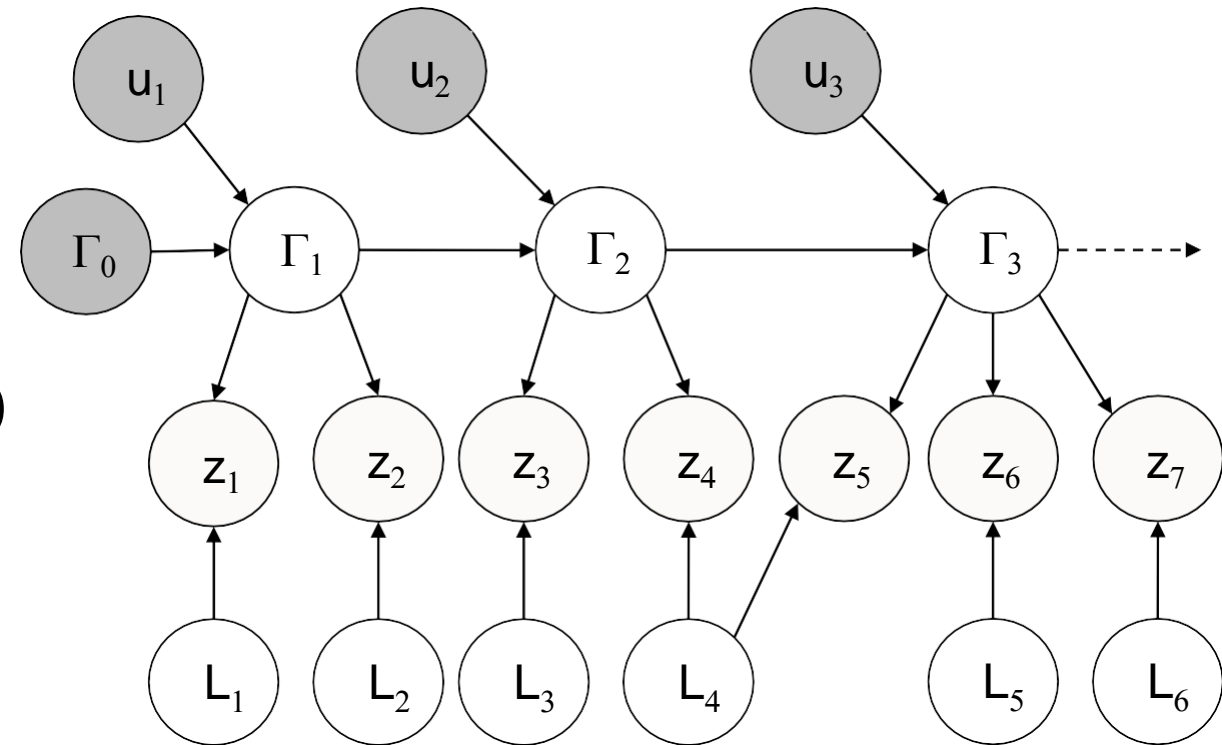
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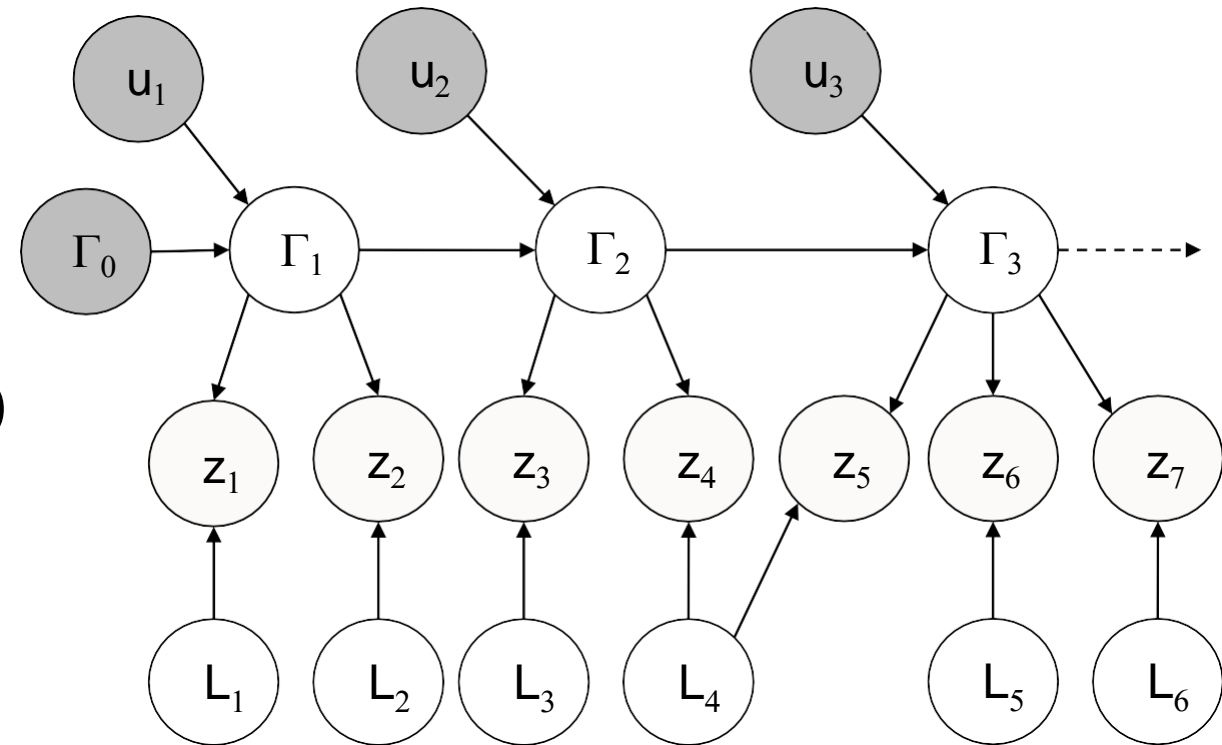
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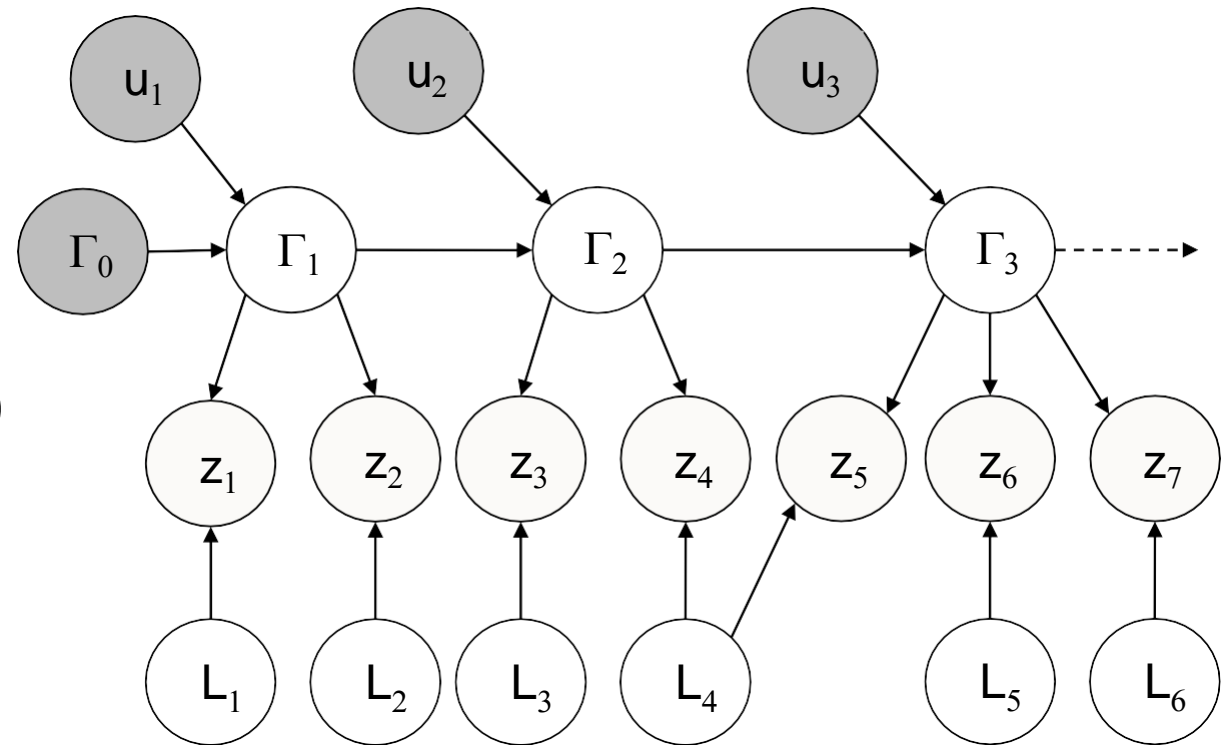
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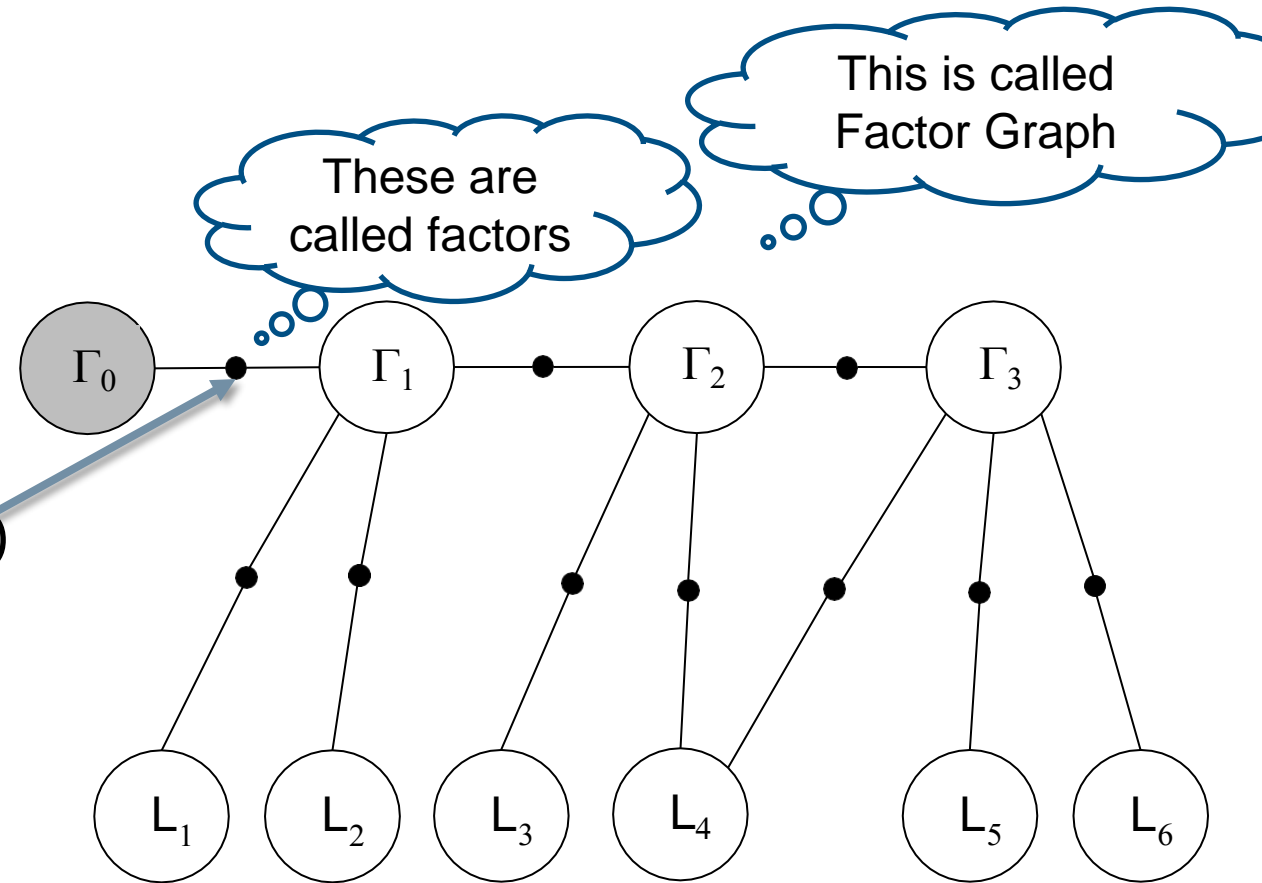
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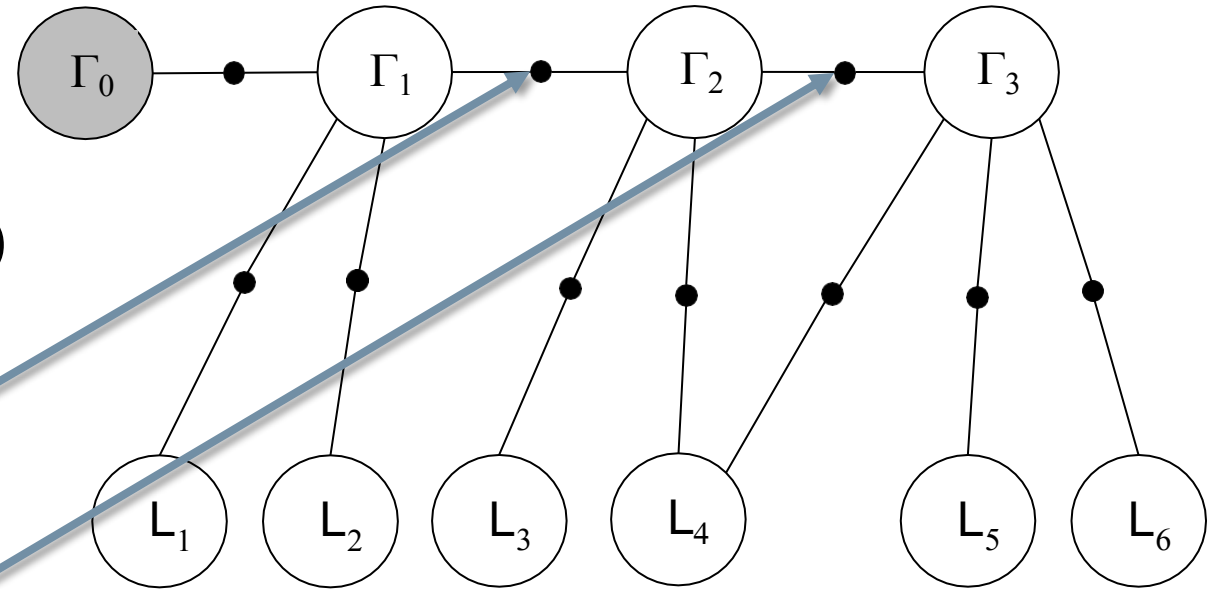
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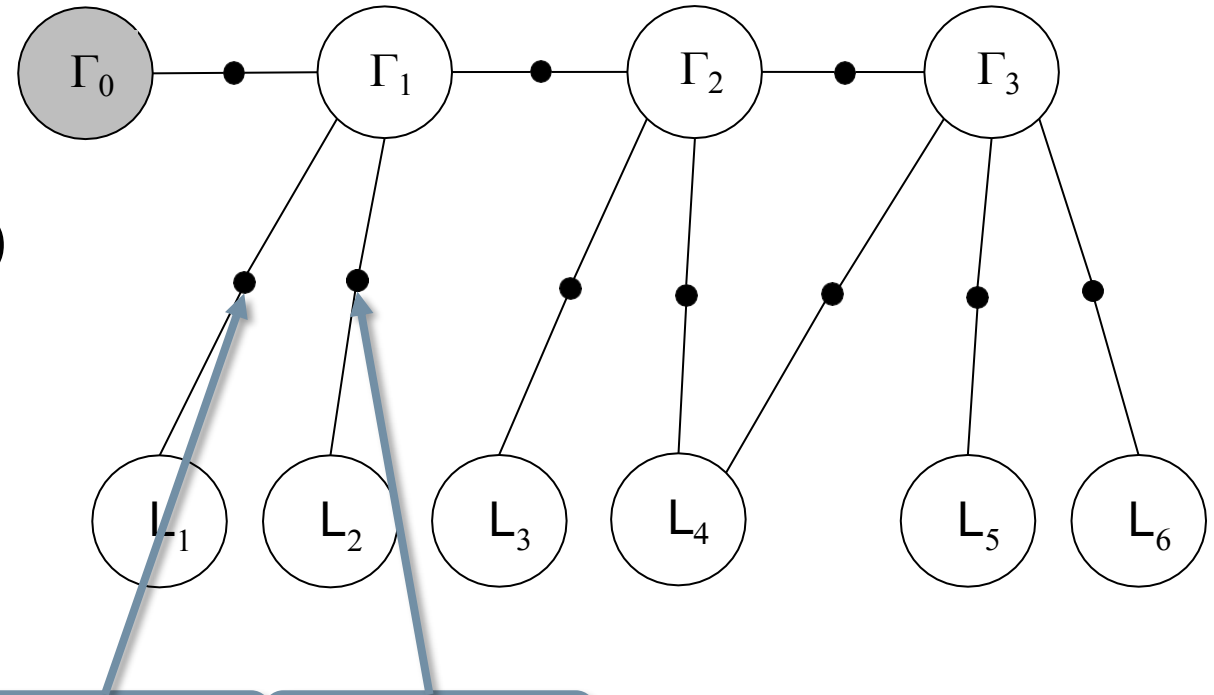
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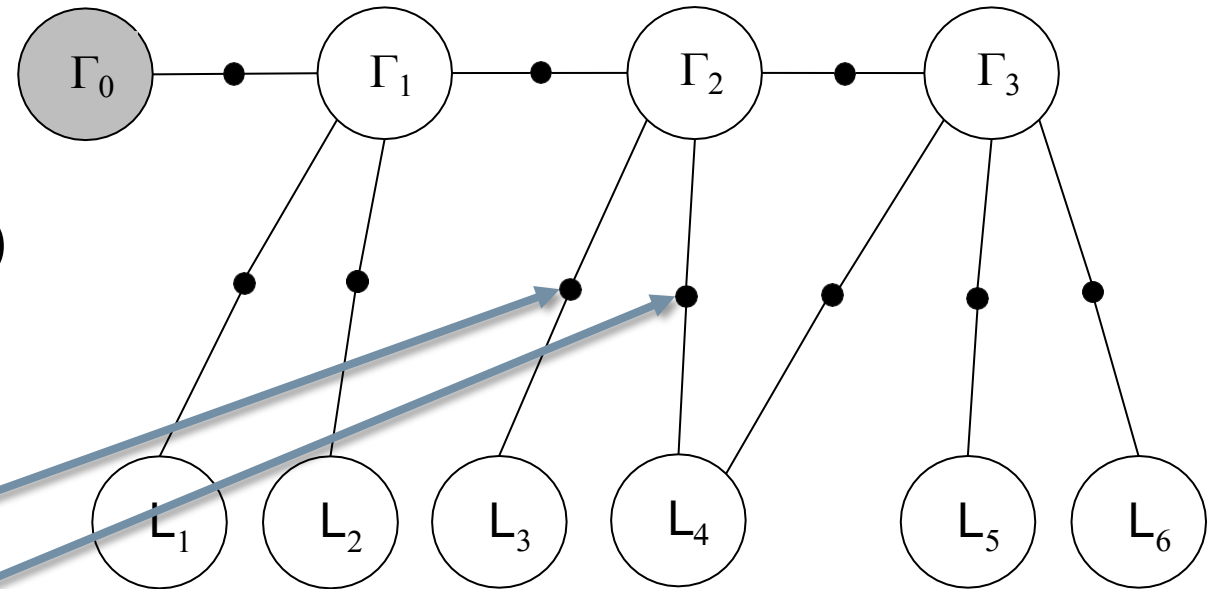
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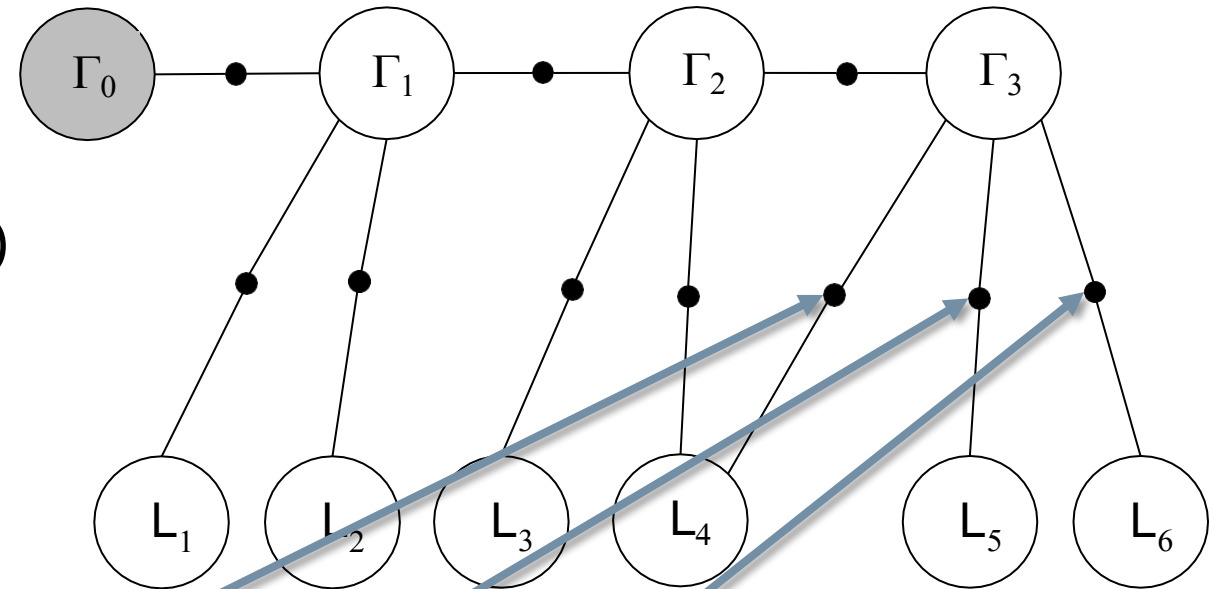
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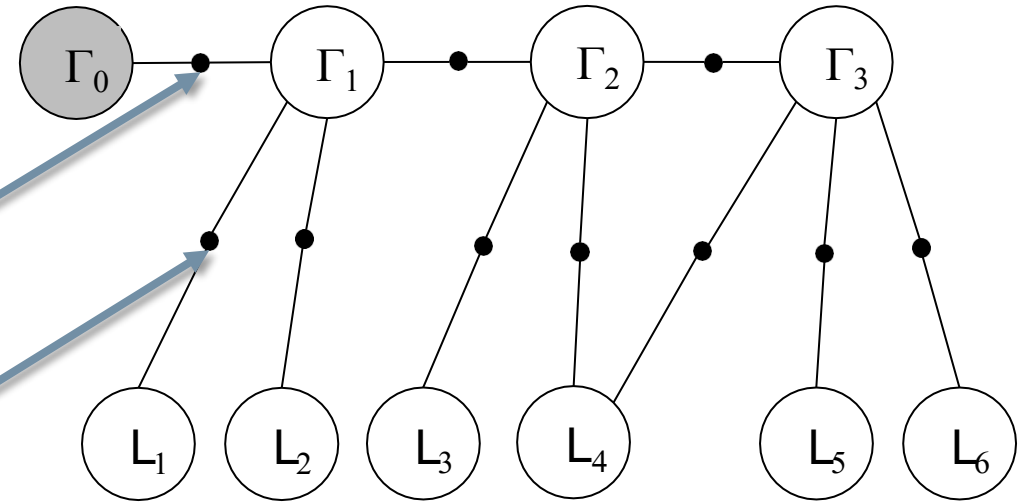
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Full SLAM and (Factor) Graph Optimization



Given the Factor Graph Full Joint Distribution

$$p(X, Z, U) = \prod_i \phi_i(X_i)$$

The Full SLAM problem is reformulated as

$$X^{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax} p(X|Z, U) = \operatorname{argmax} p(X, Z, U) = \operatorname{argmax} \prod_i \phi_i(X_i)$$

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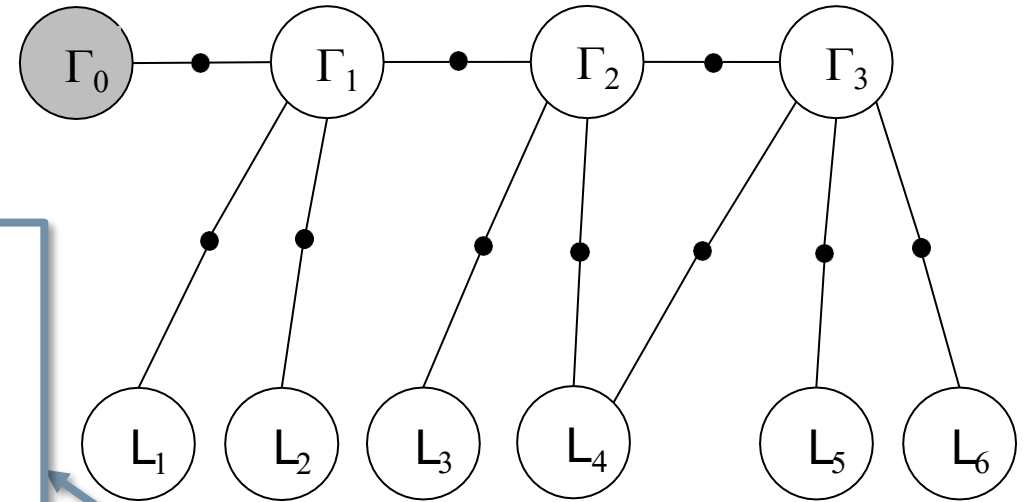
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$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_0, u_1) &\sim N(g(\Gamma_0, u_1), R) \\ \phi(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_0, u_1) &\sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi R|}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|g(\Gamma_0, u_1) - \Gamma_1\|_R^2\right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi R|}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (g(\Gamma_0, u_1) - \Gamma_1)^T R^{-1} (g(\Gamma_0, u_1) - \Gamma_1)\right)\end{aligned}$$

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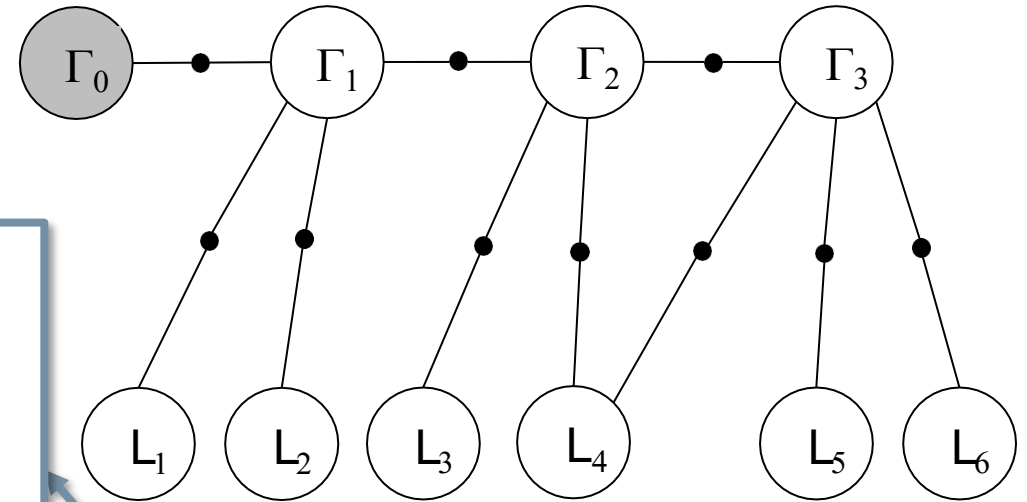
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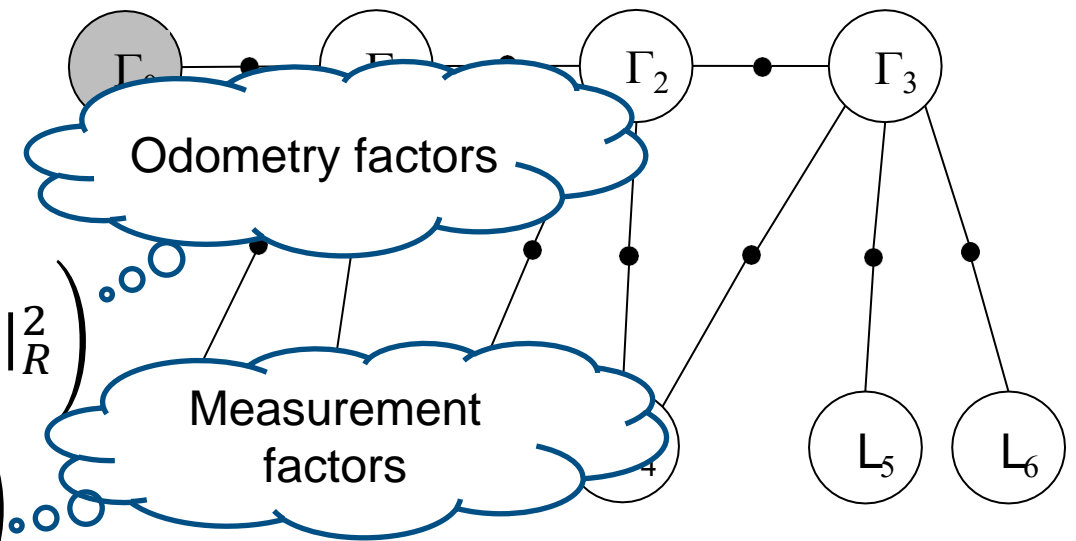
$$\phi_{i=u_i}(\Gamma_i, \Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|g(\Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) - \Gamma_i\|_R^2\right)$$

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$$X^{MAP} = \underset{u_i}{argmax} \prod \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|g(\Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) - \Gamma_i\|_R^2\right) \prod_{z_i} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|h(\Gamma_i, L_i) - z_i\|_Q^2\right)$$

If we solve for the logarithm, we get a simpler optimization algorithm

$$\begin{aligned} X^{MAP} &= \underset{i}{argmax} \prod \phi_i(X_i) = \underset{i}{argmax} \log \prod \phi_i(X_i) = \underset{i}{argmax} \sum \log \phi_i(X_i) = \\ &= \underset{i=u_i}{argmax} \sum \log \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|g(\Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) - \Gamma_i\|_R^2\right) + \sum_{i=z_i} \log \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|h(\Gamma_i, L_i) - z_i\|_Q^2\right) \end{aligned}$$



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Multiply times -2 and
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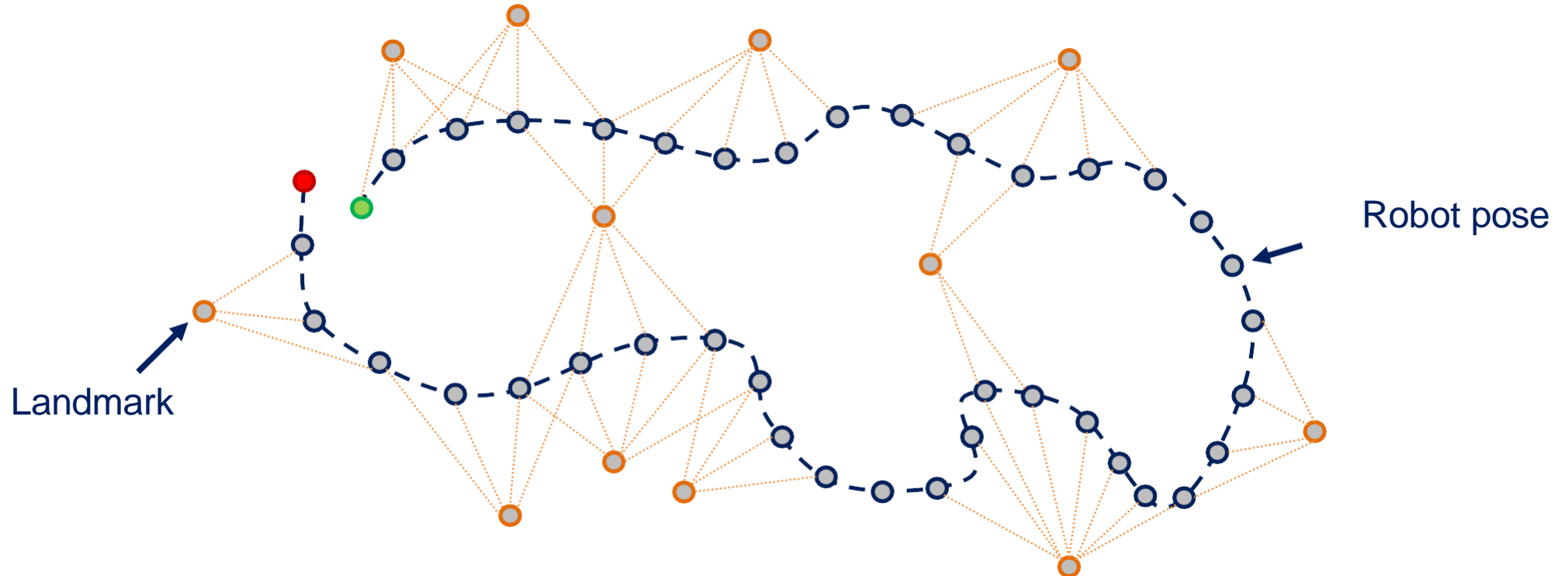


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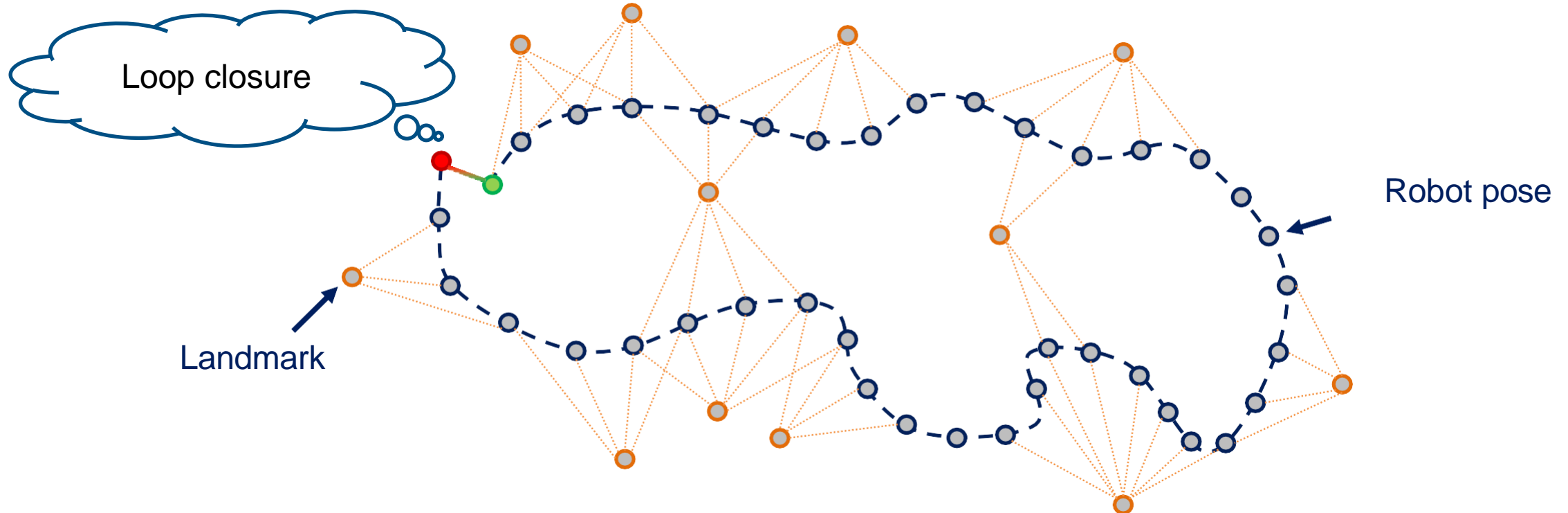
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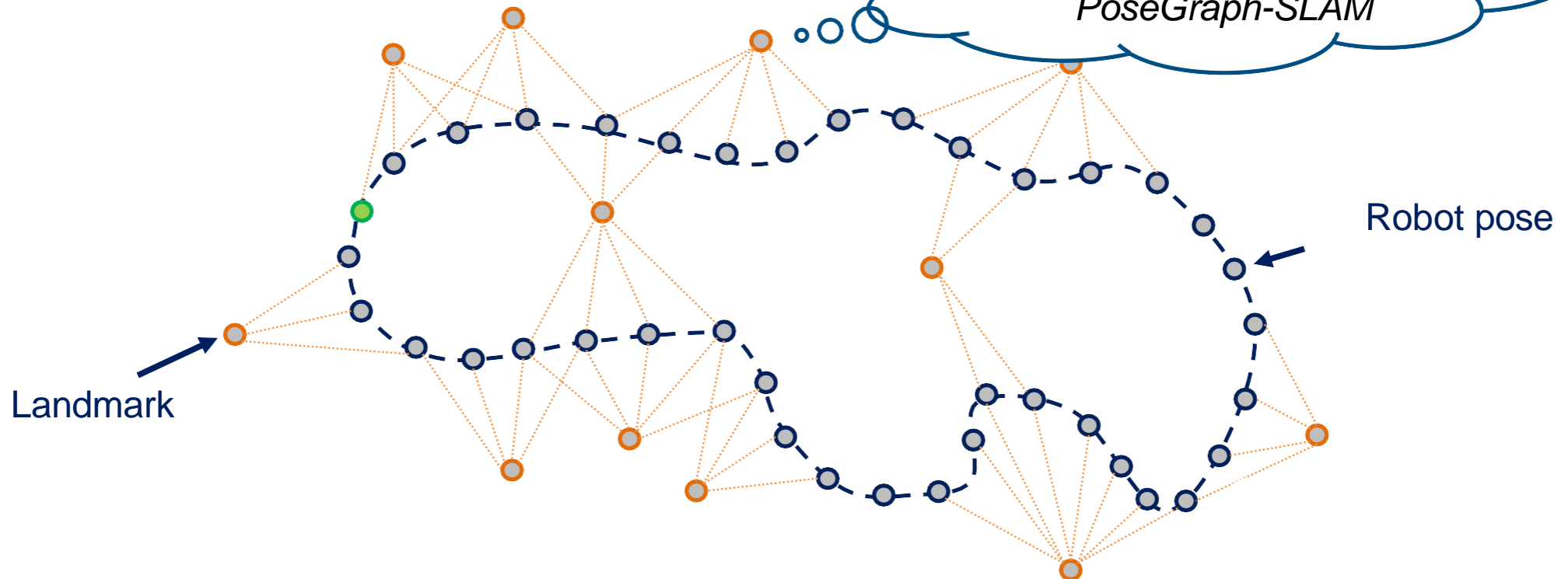


Graph SLAM

The (Gaussian) Full SLAM problem becomes

$$\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=u_i} \|g(\Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) - \Gamma_i\|_R^2 + \sum$$

Sometimes landmarks get
«attached» to poses in
PoseGraph-SLAM



Graph-SLAM Example



What did happen to the quadratic complexity?

Solving non-linear least squares needs iterative adjustments (gradient descend)

$$\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=u_i} \|g(\Gamma_{i-1}, u_i) - \Gamma_i\|_R^2 + \sum_{i=z_i} \|h(\Gamma_i, L_i) - z_i\|_Q^2$$

Let's focus on measurement factors, then the following extends to all factors

$$h_i(\Gamma_i, L_i) = h_i(X_i) = h_i(X_i^0 + \Delta_i) \approx h_i(X_i^0) + H_i \Delta_i$$

$$\Delta_i = X_i - X_i^0 \quad H_i = \left. \frac{\partial h_i(X_i)}{\partial X_i} \right|_{X_i^0}$$

This is the usual
Taylor expansion

We look for the single adjustment step which minimizes all measurement factors

$$\Delta^* = \operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=z_i} \|h(\Gamma_i, L_i) - z_i\|_Q^2 = \operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=z_i} \|H_i \Delta_i - (z_i - h_i(X_i^0))\|_Q^2$$

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We can rewrite the Mahalanobis norm as it follows turning it into quadratic

$$\|e_i\|_Q^2 \equiv e_i^T Q^{-1} e_i = (Q^{-1/2} e_i)^T (Q^{-1/2} e_i) = \|Q^{-1/2} e_i\|_2^2$$

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From this we can get to

$$\Delta^* = \operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=z_i} \|A_i \Delta_i - b_i\|_2^2 = \operatorname{argmin} \|A \Delta - b\|_2^2$$

$$A_i = Q_i^{-1/2} H_i \quad b_i = Q^{-1/2} (z_i - h_i(X_i^0))$$

Linear least
squares problem

Let's assume odometry
included now on

What did happen to the quadratic complexity?

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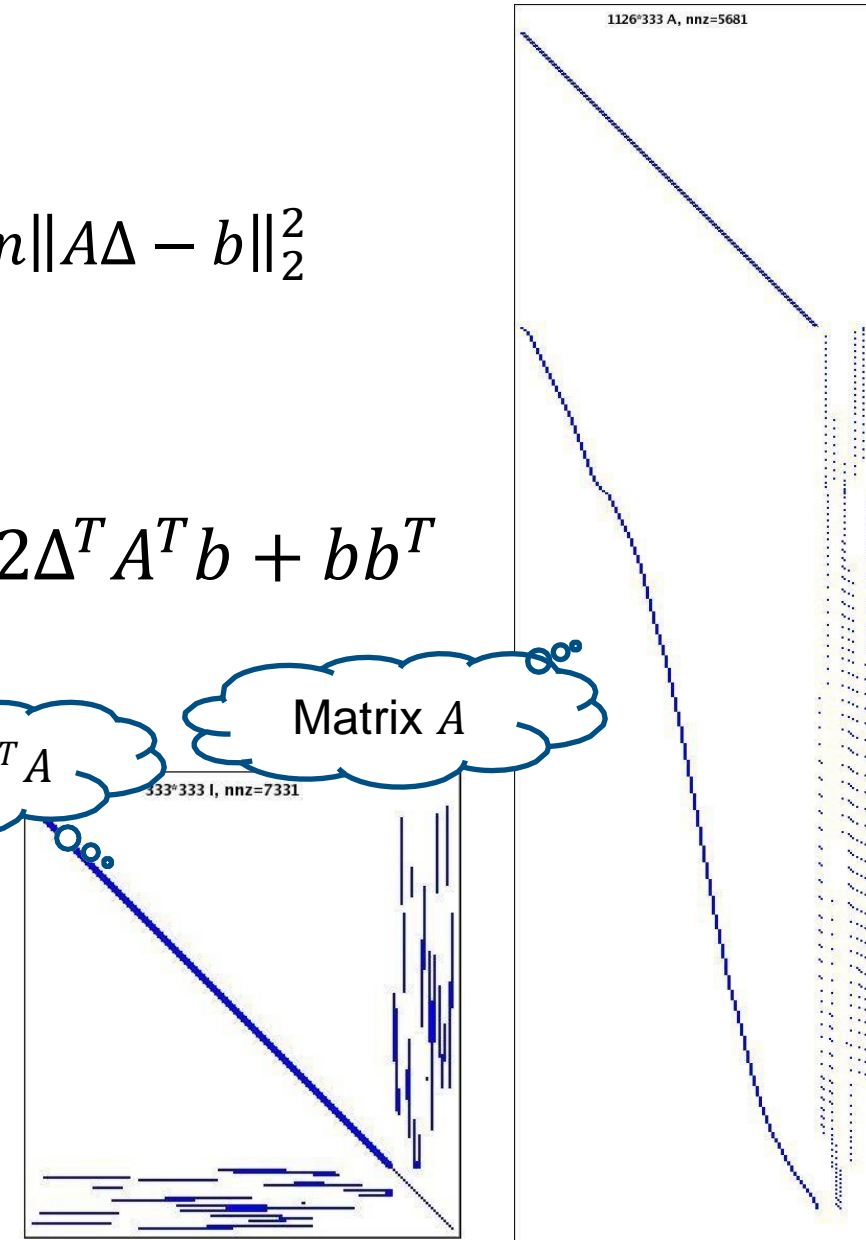
Let's solve the linear least squares problem

$$\|A\Delta - b\|_2^2 = (A\Delta - b)^T (A\Delta - b) = \Delta^T A^T A \Delta - 2\Delta^T A^T b + b^T b$$

$$\frac{\partial \|A\Delta - b\|_2^2}{\partial \Delta} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A^T A \Delta = A^T b$$

Matrix A from Odometry and Measurement Jacobians

- Factors are constraints between 2 variables
- Matrix A is sparse and matrix $A^T A$ too
- We can use sparse methods which are fast !!!



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Naïve least squares uses pseudo inverse, however $(A^T A)^{-1}$ is $O(n^3)$

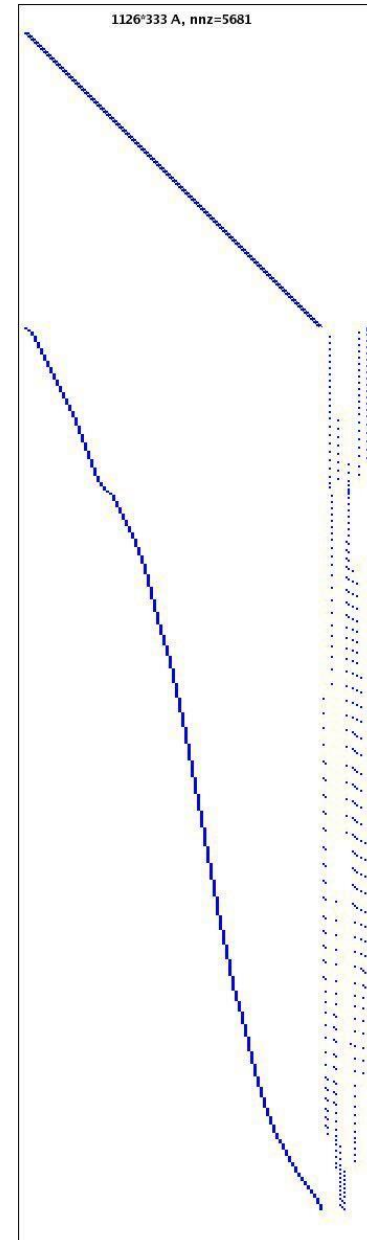
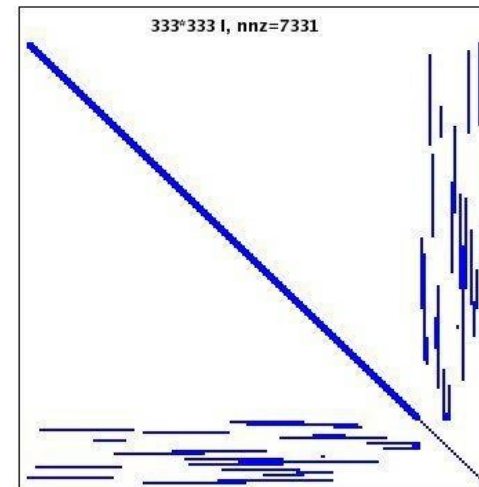
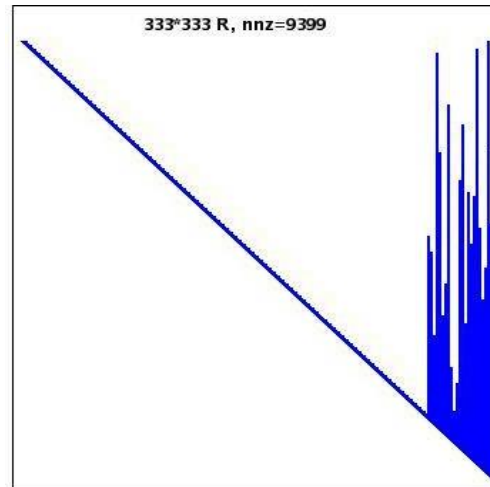
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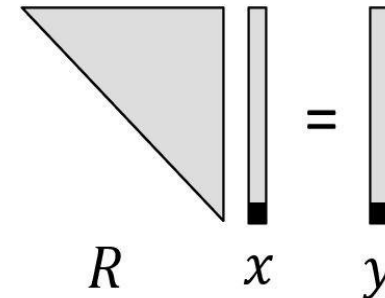
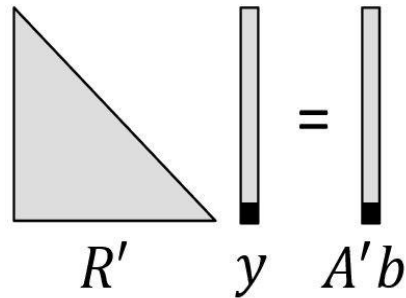
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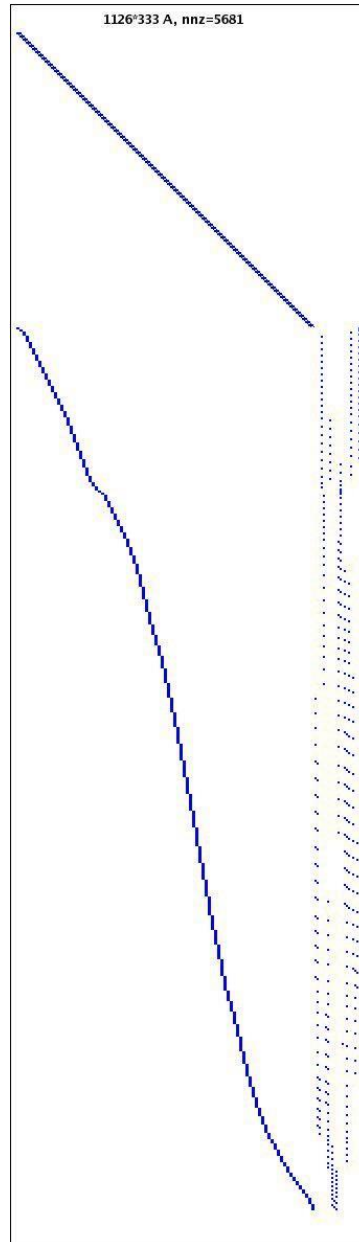
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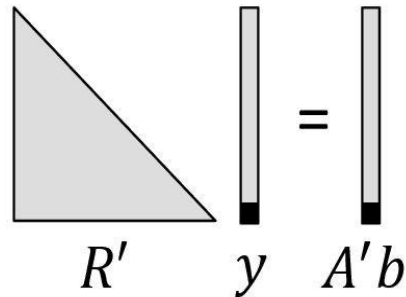
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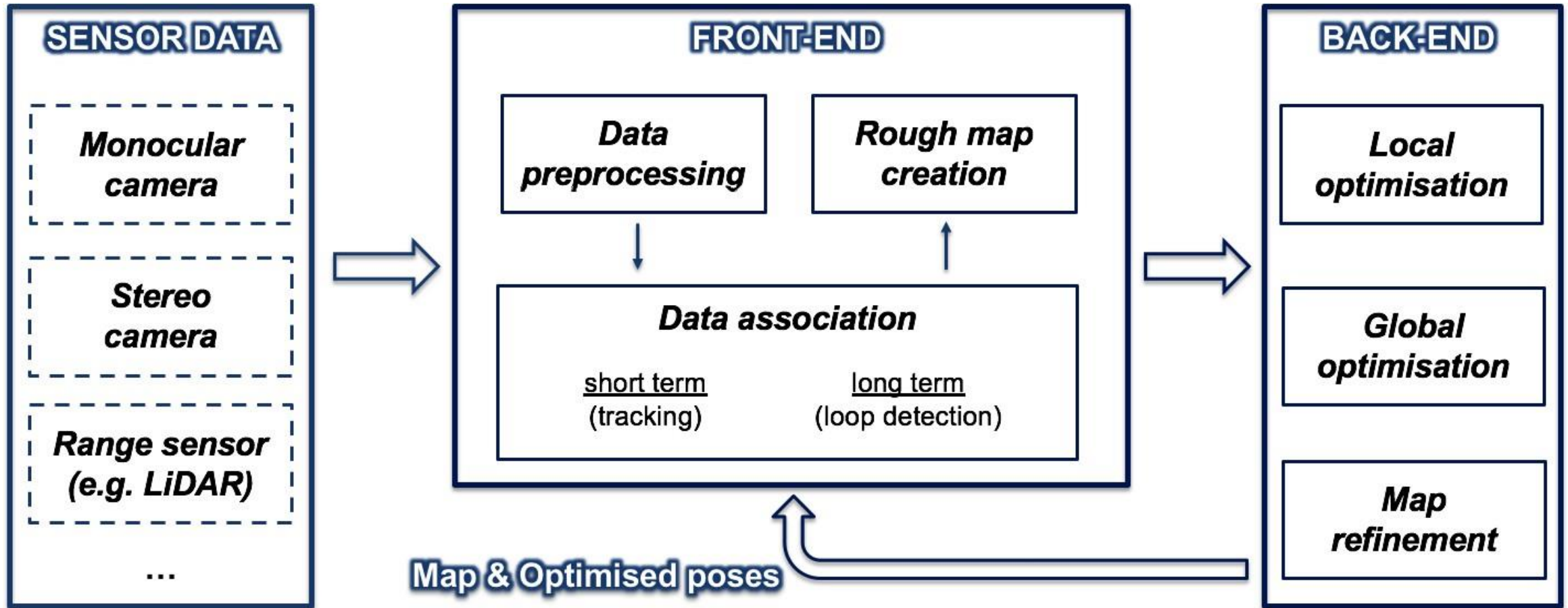

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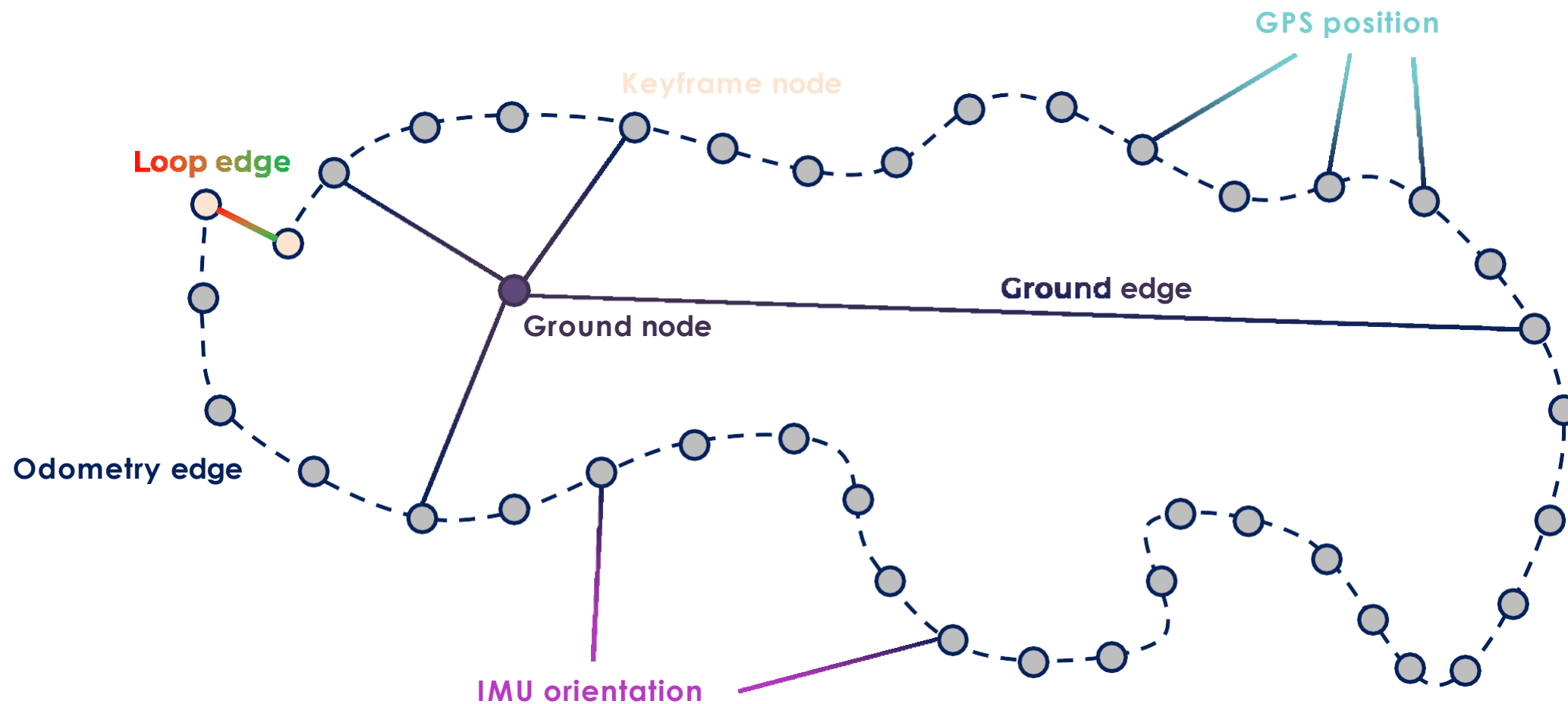
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General Architecture of a Modern SLAM System



Pose-Graph SLAM



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