

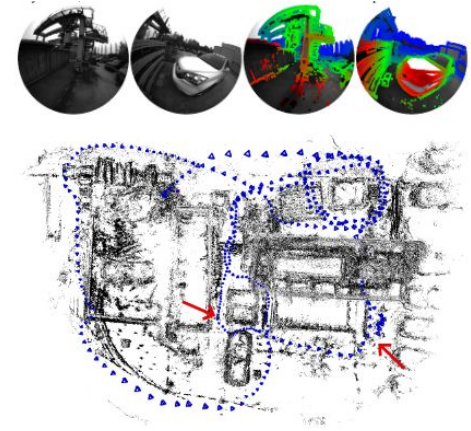
Avancement thèse

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Biblio : SLAM fisheye

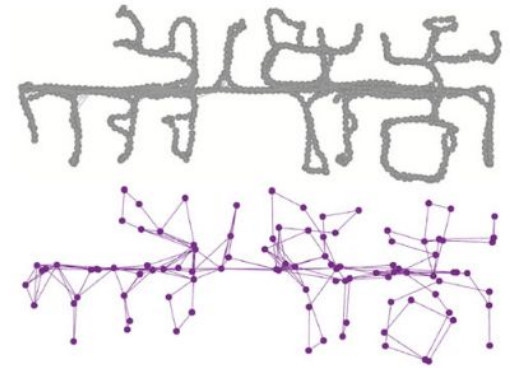
- > VINS-MONO: propose un modèle fisheye mais qui est converti en pinhole
- > LSD Omni: SLAM dense mono fisheye qui propose une étude de différents modèles caméra
- > ORB-SLAM 3: propose une classe abstraite caméra pour tester d'autres modèles, mais n'a fait aucune expériences sur un banc stéréo fisheye



Toujours pas d'expériences stereo fisheye pour du SLAM éparsé dans la littérature

Biblio: Backend SLAM

- > efficacité de l'optimiseur (ISAM2, g2o)
- > marginalization et sparsification du graph (J. Vallvé)
- > problématiques qui se pose pour un SLAM à grande échelle (Manhattan 3500...)
- > Séjour à Barcelone (IRI) du 28/03 au 8/04 pour travailler sur du graph SLAM visuel



Soumission IROS 2022: CosySLAM

-> SLAM visuel inertiel basé deep learning avec un backend factor graph

-> Expériences sur dataset public avec comparaison ORB-SLAM 3 et VINS MONO

-> études des performances en terme de temps de calcul

-> expériences de robustesses

CosySLam: investigating object-level SLAM for detecting locomotion surfaces

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Abstract—While blindfolded legged locomotion has demonstrated impressive capabilities in the last few years, further progress is expected from using exteroceptive perception to better adapt the robot behavior to the available surfaces of contact. In this paper, we investigate whether monocular cameras are suitable sensors for that aim. We propose to rely on object-level SLAM, fusing RGB images and inertial measurements, to simultaneously estimate the robot balance state (orientation in the gravity field and velocity), the robot position, and the location of candidate contact surfaces. We used CosyPose, a learning-based object pose estimator for which we propose an empirical uncertainty model, as the sole front-end of our visual inertial SLAM. We then combine it with inertial measurements which ideally complete the system observability, although extending the proposed approach could be straightforward (e.g. kinematic information about the contact, or a feature-based visual front end). We demonstrate the interest of object-based SLAM on several locomotion sequences, by some absolute metrics and in comparison with other monocular SLAM.

I. INTRODUCTION

State estimation is a central aspect of the design of legged robot systems. Using estimates of the base velocity and gravity direction, modern locomotion controllers [1], [2] can achieve remarkable robustness without precise knowledge of their environment. In these cases, the state estimation relies simply on inertial, kinematic, and contact measurements to achieve balance [3]–[5]. However, to accomplish reactive contact planning over uneven surfaces [6], we need to go beyond a blindfolded system by using exteroceptive sensors.

Most of the current approaches exploit depth sensors which can be used to build local elevation maps of the robot surroundings [7] later processed to extract the contact surfaces needed by locomotion planners [8]. Current methods loosely couple the elevation mapping with the estimation of the robot state. Other approaches strive to extend reconstruction capabilities by using 3D voxels [9], dense surfaces [10], or meshes representations of the environment [11].

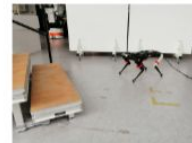


Fig. 1. Experimental setup: a RealSense DAVIS is mounted on the Solo robot which localizes itself with respect to stairs. A motion capture system provides ground truth of the robot pose.

On the opposite, recent legged estimators, based on the tight coupling of exteroceptive inertial SLAM system with leg kinematics, have been shown to provide accurate and robust source odometry [12], [13]. The use of sparse features in these approaches is however not intended for contact surfaces extractions. Yet they tend to show the importance of tightly coupling all locomotion estimators, to which we also intend to contribute.

In indoor environments, a localization system may benefit from the presence of known objects. SLAM++ [14] showed that object-level semantic SLAM could be achieved in office environments using depth sensors and scanned models of objects such as chairs and tables. More recent works on the matter rely mainly on deep-learning-based object segmentation to detect objects in RGB images [15]. This information is used along with depth measurements to perform semantic SLAM with static [16] or moving [17]–[19] objects. Using solely monocular cameras, object SLAM can also be achieved without object shape priors by directly integrating segmentation bounding boxes in classical feature-based SLAM frameworks [20], [21]. Aside from the camera trajectory and object poses, object shapes may also be optimized using a differentiable rendering engine [22].

Object-level SLAM has not been explored in the context of legged robot locomotion yet. In this paper, we propose to build a visual-inertial object-level SLAM by merging an object pose estimator based on shape priors with pre-integrated inertial measurements. We rely on the open-source pose estimator CosyPose [23], for which we first propose

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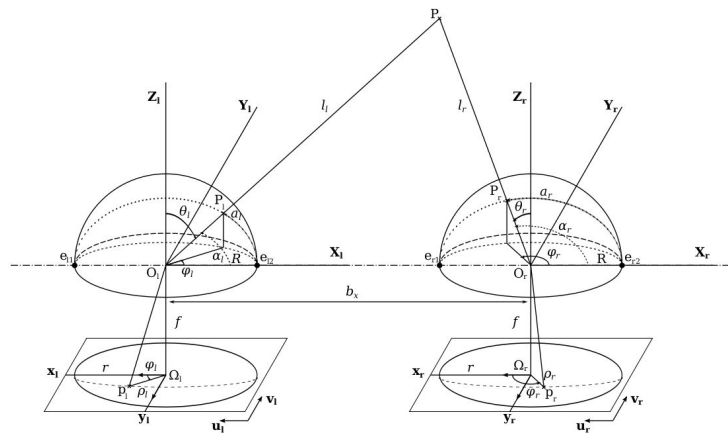
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Un bon entraînement à la soumission d'un papier de SLAM

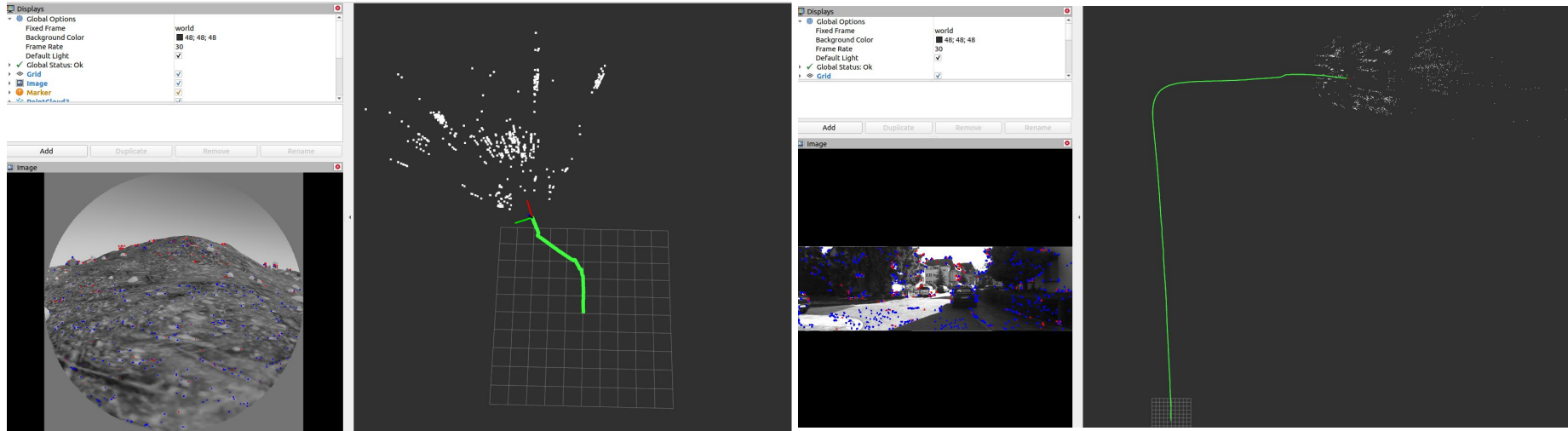
Code: Géométrie épipolaire pour caméras sphériques

- > Estimation of omnidirectional camera model from epipolar geometry - Micusik
- > Algorithme des 8 points généralisable à tous les modèles de caméra
- > Validation du modèle avec le plan épipolaire

$$\begin{aligned} q_2^T E_{21} q_1 &= 0 \\ E_{21} &= [1t^2]_{x-1} R^2 \end{aligned}$$



Code: Adaptation de PAVO aux caméras omni



-> La géométrie épipolaire ne donne pas de bons résultats en stationnaire: utiliser une homographie RANSAC / généraliser l'algorithme pnp

-> L'échelle n'est pas estimée: utiliser la stéréo

-> Temps de calcul élevé: tester différents keypoints / descripteurs

Expé: acquisition dans une grotte & claie de portage

FISA/ISAE-SUPAERO 2A — 2022-2023 "Avionique et Systèmes Embarqués"

Intégration et mise au point d'un système d'acquisition
de données portatif pour l'exploration d'environnements
sous-terrain

Keywords: système d'acquisition mobile, exploration, robotique, navigation



(a) Sac à dos Apple



(b) Sac à dos Google

Figure 1: Exemple de systèmes d'acquisition portables.

Questions toujours ouvertes

- > Comment assurer l'éclairage du FOV? (Quel intérêt d'utiliser des fisheye sur l'éclairage est focalisé sur une partie de l'image)
- > Est-il possible de faire de la fermeture de boucle à bas coup de calcul? (nécessite de la biblio)

