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Real-Time Loop Closure in 2D LIDAR SLAM

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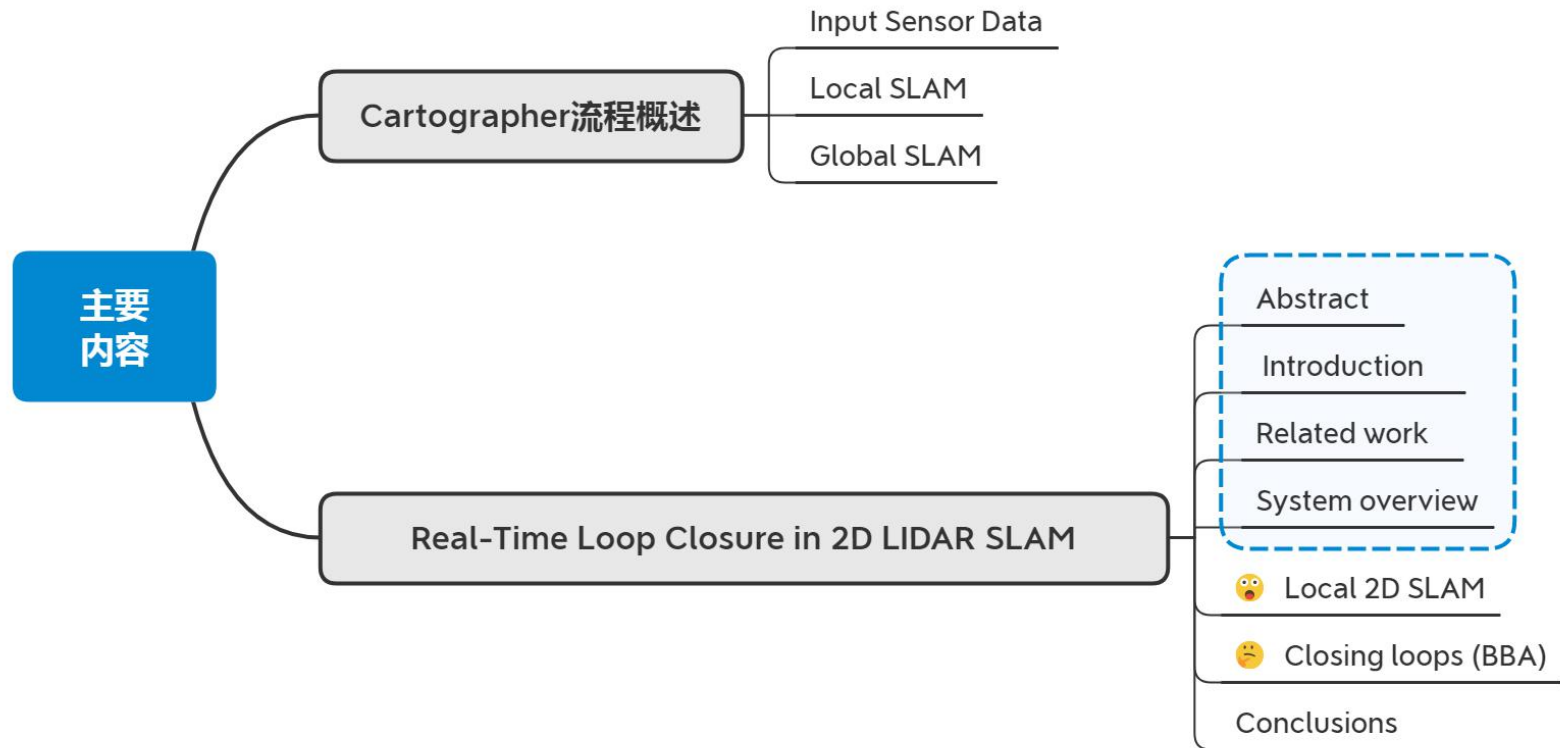
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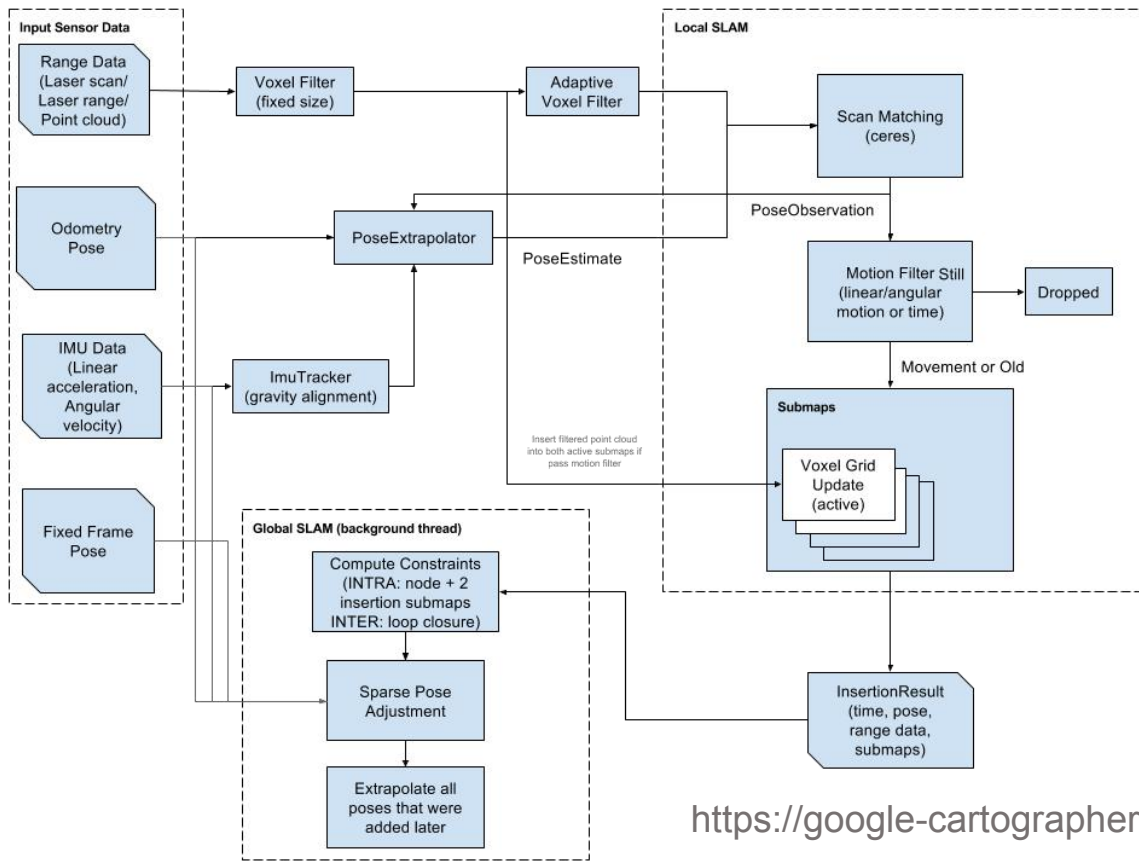
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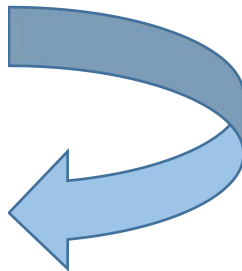
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后端优化，BBS

满足实时、大场景的需求



Abstract

关键词：便携式平台、实时、闭环、分枝定界加速

Portable laser range-finders, further referred to as LIDAR, and simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM) are an efficient method of acquiring as-built floor plans. Generating and visualizing floor plans in real-time helps the operator assess the quality and coverage of capture data. **Building a portable capture platform necessitates operating under limited computational resources.** We present the approach used in our backpack mapping platform which achieves **real-time mapping and loop closure at a 5cm resolution.** To achieve real-time loop closure, we use **a branch-and-bound approach** for computing **scan-to-submap matches as constraints.** We provide experimental results and comparisons to other well known approaches which show that, in terms of quality, our approach is competitive with established techniques.



I Introduction

The contribution of this paper is a novel method for **reducing the computational requirements of computing loop closure constraints from laser range data.**

提高实时回环检测的速度



分枝定界加速

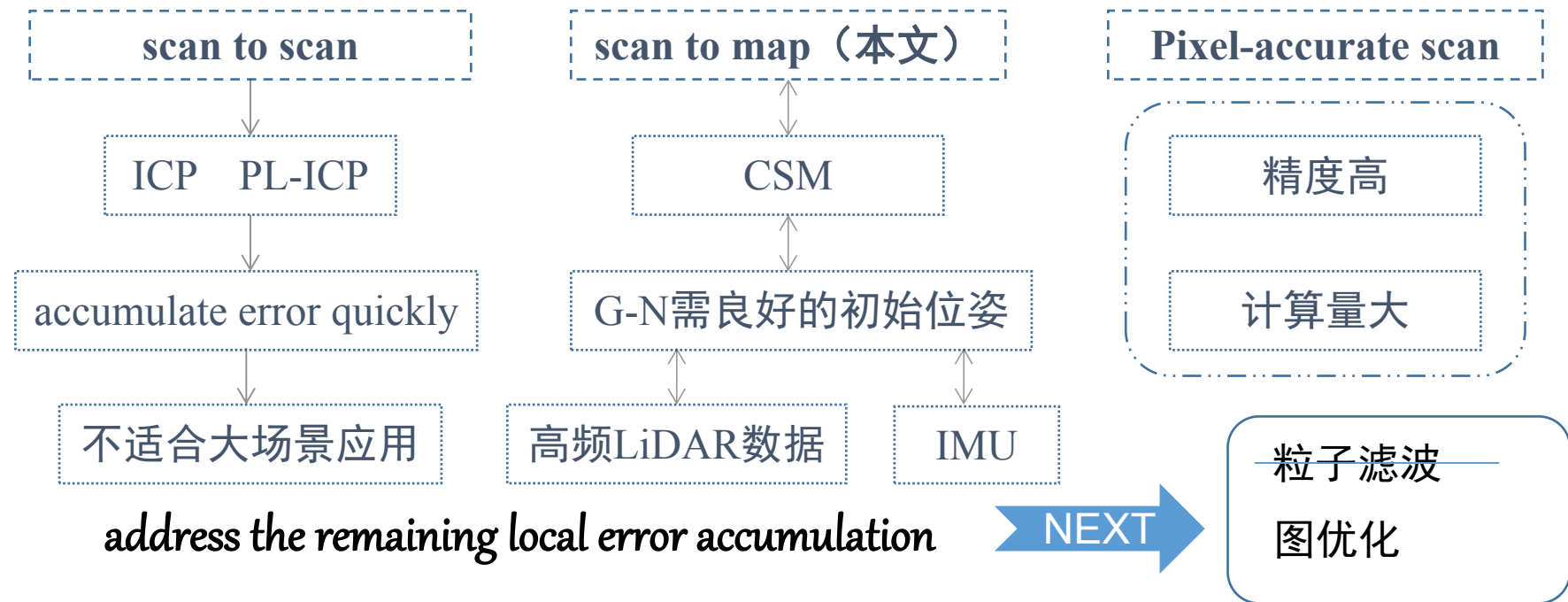
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II Related work Scan Matching





III System overview *funny points*

By completing the optimization every few seconds, the experience of an operator is that loops are closed immediately when a location is revisited. This leads to the soft real-time constraint★ that the loop closure scan matching has to happen quicker than new scans are added, otherwise it falls behind noticeably. We achieve this by using a branch-and-bound approach and ★several precomputed grids per finished submap.

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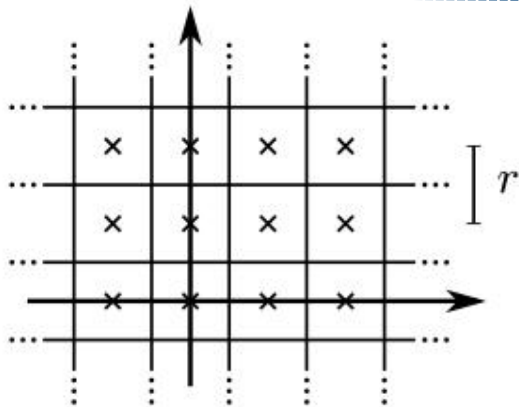


IV Local 2D SLAM

scans



$$T_{\xi}p = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \xi_{\theta} & -\sin \xi_{\theta} \\ \sin \xi_{\theta} & \cos \xi_{\theta} \end{pmatrix}}_{R_{\xi}} p + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \xi_x \\ \xi_y \end{pmatrix}}_{t_{\xi}}$$



submaps



概率网格M

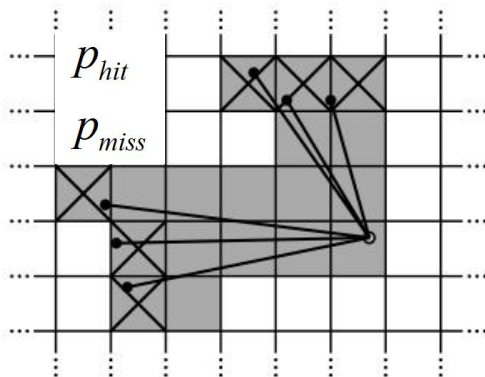
$$\text{odds}(p) = \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$M_{\text{new}}(x) = \text{clamp}(\text{odds}^{-1}(\text{odds}(M_{\text{old}}(x)) \cdot \text{odds}(p_{\text{hit}})))$$

precomputed grids



区间限定函数



ceres scan matching

$$\underset{\xi}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{k=1}^K (1 - M_{\text{smooth}}(T_{\xi}h_k))^2$$

a smooth version of the probability values



use bicubic interpolation

result [0,1]

require good initial estimates

NEXT

CLOSING LOOPS



V Closing loops A. Optimization problem

Loop closure optimization, like scan matching, is also formulated as **a nonlinear least squares problem** which allows easily adding residuals to take additional data into account.

$$\underset{\substack{\xi^m, \xi^s}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \rho(E^2(\xi_i^m, \xi_j^s; \Sigma_{ij}, \xi_{ij}))$$

$$E^2(\xi_i^m, \xi_j^s; \Sigma_{ij}, \xi_{ij}) = e(\xi_i^m, \xi_j^s; \xi_{ij})^T \Sigma_{ij}^{-1} e(\xi_i^m, \xi_j^s; \xi_{ij})$$

$$e(\xi_i^m, \xi_j^s; \xi_{ij}) = \xi_{ij} - \begin{pmatrix} R_{\xi_i^m}^{-1}(t_{\xi_i^m} - t_{\xi_j^s}) \\ \xi_{i;\theta}^m - \xi_{j;\theta}^s \end{pmatrix}$$

- submap pose
 - scan pose
 - associated covariance matrices
 - relative poses
- 世界坐标系下

Huber robust error function

$$L_\delta(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}a^2 & \text{for } |a| \leq \delta \\ \delta(|a| - \frac{1}{2}\delta), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

a表述residuals, 亦可用y-f(x)表示



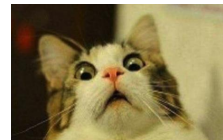
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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching

We are interested in the **optimal**, **pixel-accurate match** where \mathcal{W} is the **search window** and M_{nearest} is M extended to all of \mathbb{R}^2 by rounding its arguments **to the nearest grid point first**, that is **extending the value of a grid points to the corresponding pixel**. The quality of the match can be **improved further** using (CS).

$$\xi^* = \underset{\xi \in \mathcal{W}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{k=1}^K M_{\text{nearest}}(T_{\xi} h_k) \quad (\text{BBS})$$

怎么理解?



Efficiency is improved by carefully choosing step sizes. We choose the angular step size δ_{θ} so that scan points at the maximum range d_{max} do not move more than \mathcal{r} , the width of one pixel. 计算步长

$$d_{\text{max}} = \max_{k=1, \dots, K} \|h_k\|$$

$$\delta_{\theta} = \arccos\left(1 - \frac{r^2}{2d_{\text{max}}^2}\right)$$



take Naive
algorithm 1
for example



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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching

Algorithm 1 Naive algorithm for (BBS)

$best_score \leftarrow -\infty$

for $j_x = -w_x$ **to** w_x **do**
 for $j_y = -w_y$ **to** w_y **do**
 for $j_\theta = -w_\theta$ **to** w_θ **do**

暴力搜索

$score \leftarrow \sum_{k=1}^K M_{\text{nearest}}(T_{\xi_0 + (rj_x, rj_y, \delta_\theta j_\theta)} h_k)$

if $score > best_score$ **then**

$match \leftarrow \xi_0 + (rj_x, rj_y, \delta_\theta j_\theta)$

$best_score \leftarrow score$

end if

end for

end for

end for

return $best_score$ and $match$ when set.

We compute an integral number of steps covering given linear and angular search window sizes.

$$W_x = W_y = 7m \quad W_\theta = 30^\circ$$

$$w_x = \left\lceil \frac{W_x}{r} \right\rceil, \quad w_y = \left\lceil \frac{W_y}{r} \right\rceil, \quad w_\theta = \left\lceil \frac{W_\theta}{\delta_\theta} \right\rceil$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{W}} = \{-w_x, \dots, w_x\} \times \{-w_y, \dots, w_y\} \times \{-w_\theta, \dots, w_\theta\}$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \left\{ \xi_0 + (rj_x, rj_y, \delta_\theta j_\theta) : (j_x, j_y, j_\theta) \in \overline{\mathcal{W}} \right\}$$

初始位姿 搜索集中的当前位姿



V Closing loops

B. Branch-and-bound scan matching-main idea

主要思想是将可能性子集表示为树中的节点，其中根节点表示所有可能的解决方案。每个节点的子节点构成其父节点的一个分区，因此它们一起表示相同的可能性集。通过得分进行判断，为了得到一个具体的算法，我们必须确定选择节点、分支和上界计算的方法



NODE SELECTION

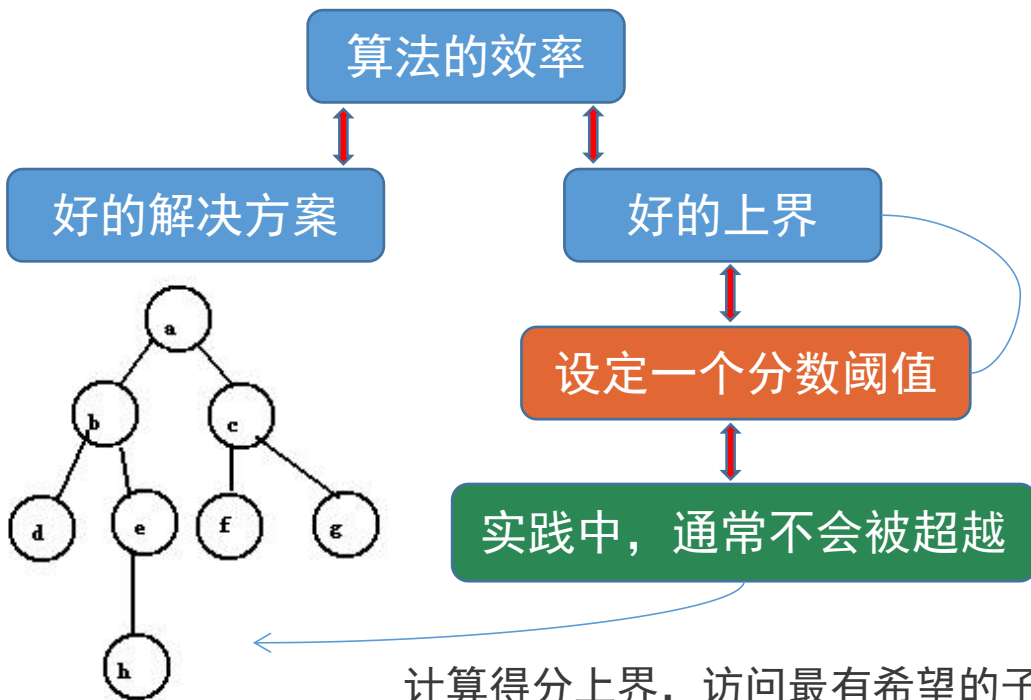


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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching- Node selection

与广度优先搜索算法不同，深度优先搜索算法类似与树的先序遍历。这种搜索算法所遵循的搜索策略是尽可能“深”地搜索一个图。快速计算多个叶节点。

abdehcfg



DFS 深度优先搜索

https://blog.csdn.net/m0_37316917/article/details/70880521

去除匹配中比较差的最优解

算法3



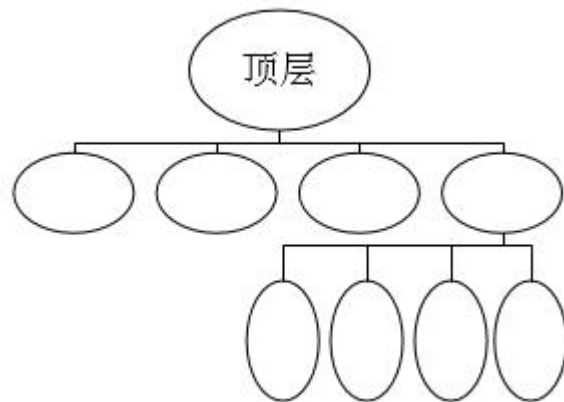
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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching- Branching rule

Each node in the tree is described by a tuple of integers $c = (c_x, c_y, c_\theta, c_h) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$. Nodes at height c_h combine up to $2^{c_h} \times 2^{c_h}$ possible translations but represent a specific rotation. Leaf nodes have height $c_h = 0$, and correspond to feasible solutions $\mathcal{W} \ni \xi_c = \xi_0 + (rc_x, rc_y, \delta_\theta c_\theta)$.

$$\overline{\overline{\mathcal{W}}}_c = \left(\left\{ (j_x, j_y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 : \begin{array}{l} \text{x_index_offset} \\ \text{y_index_offset} \\ \text{加入新的偏移量} \end{array} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \begin{array}{l} c_x \leq j_x < c_x + 2^{c_h} \\ c_y \leq j_y < c_y + 2^{c_h} \end{array} \right\} \times \{c_\theta\} \right) \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{角度不变} \\ \text{int scan_index} \end{array}$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{W}}_c = \overline{\overline{\mathcal{W}}}_c \cap \overline{\mathcal{W}}.$$



algorithm 2、3



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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching- *Computing upper bounds*

$$\begin{aligned} score(c) &= \sum_{k=1}^K \max_{j \in \overline{\mathcal{W}}_c} M_{\text{nearest}}(T_{\xi_j} h_k) \\ &\geq \sum_{k=1}^K \max_{j \in \overline{\mathcal{W}}_c} M_{\text{nearest}}(T_{\xi_j} h_k) \\ &\geq \max_{j \in \overline{\mathcal{W}}_c} \sum_{k=1}^K M_{\text{nearest}}(T_{\xi_j} h_k). \end{aligned}$$

Note that, to be able to do this, we also compute the maximum over $\overline{\mathcal{W}}_c$ which can be larger than $\overline{\mathcal{W}}_c$ near the boundary of our search space.

$$score(c) = \sum_{k=1}^K M_{\text{precomp}}^{c_h}(T_{\xi_c} h_k)$$

$$M_{\text{precomp}}^h(x, y) = \max_{\substack{x' \in [x, x+r(2^h-1)] \\ y' \in [y, y+r(2^h-1)]}} M_{\text{nearest}}(x', y')$$

为了有效计算最大值 \longrightarrow precomputed grids $M_{\text{precomp}}^{c_h}$

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B. Branch-and-bound scan matching- Branching rule

Algorithm 2 Generic branch and bound

```
best_score  $\leftarrow -\infty$ 
 $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}_0$ 
while  $\mathcal{C} \neq \emptyset$  do
    Select a node  $c \in \mathcal{C}$  and remove it from the set.
    if  $c$  is a leaf node then
        if  $\text{score}(c) > \text{best\_score}$  then
            solution  $\leftarrow n$ 
            best_score  $\leftarrow \text{score}(c)$ 
        end if
    else
        if  $\text{score}(c) > \text{best\_score}$  then
            Branch: Split  $c$  into nodes  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .
             $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{C} \cup \mathcal{C}_c$ 
        else
            Bound.
        end if
    end if
end while
return best_score and solution when set.
```

Algorithm 3 DFS branch and bound scan matcher for (BBS)

```
best_score  $\leftarrow \text{score\_threshold}$ 
Compute and memorize a score for each element in  $\mathcal{C}_0$ .
Initialize a stack  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $\mathcal{C}_0$  sorted by score, the maximum
score at the top.
while  $\mathcal{C}$  is not empty do
    Pop  $c$  from the stack  $\mathcal{C}$ .
    if  $\text{score}(c) > \text{best\_score}$  then
        if  $c$  is a leaf node then
            match  $\leftarrow \xi_c$ 
            best_score  $\leftarrow \text{score}(c)$ 
        else
            Branch: Split  $c$  into nodes  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .
            Compute and memorize a score for each element
            in  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .
            Push  $\mathcal{C}_c$  onto the stack  $\mathcal{C}$ , sorted by score, the
            maximum score last.
        end if
    end if
end while
return best_score and match when set.
```



看代码



VII Conclusion

In this paper, we presented and experimentally validated a **2D SLAM system** that combines **scan-to-submap matching** with **loop closure detection** and **graph optimization**. Individual submap trajectories are created using our local, grid-based SLAM approach. In the background, **all scans are matched to nearby submaps using pixel-accurate scan matching to create loop closure constraints**. The constraint graph of submap and scan poses is **periodically optimized** in the background. The operator is presented with an **up-to-date preview** of the final map as a **GPU accelerated** combination of finished submaps and the current submap. We demonstrated that it is possible to run our algorithms on modest hardware **in real-time**.



总结



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