

PointNet & CalibRRNet

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Deep Learning on PointCloud

- End to end networks for classification, semantic segmentation and object detection since 2017
- Registration and odometry
- Initial applications on transformed point cloud (voxel grids, multi view images projection)

PointNet

- First work to employ Deep learning directly for processing 3D point clouds
- Considers the unordered nature of points, interactions of points in a local region and invariance to certain geometric transformations
- Network should be invariant to N! permutations
- Network should infer correctly under rotation, translation and affine transformation



PointNet

- To solve the order invariance, the network uses max pooling
- The Network applies first an input transform using a T-Net, to ensure invariance to geometric transformations
- Second the transformed points are passed through a sequence of pointwise multilayer perceptron for higher dimensional feature space
- A feature transform is then applied with the same purpose to make the features invariant to transformations
- Point Features are aggregated using max pooling to form a global feature vector



Point Net

Classification Network mlp (64,128,1024) input mlp (64,64) feature max mlp transform input points transform (512,256,k) \pool 1024 nx64 nx64 nx3 nx1024 shared shared global feature output scores point features output scores 64x64 3x3T-Net T-Net transform \transform nx128 n x 1088 shared shared matrix multiply multiply mlp (128,m) mlp (512,256,128) Segmentation Network



PointNet++

- PointNet does not capture information about the local context of points at different scales
- PointNet++ proposes a hierarchical feature learning framework to address PointNet limitations
- The hierarchical learning process is achieved by a series of set abstraction levels
- Each abstraction level consist of sampling layer, grouping layer and PointNet Layer

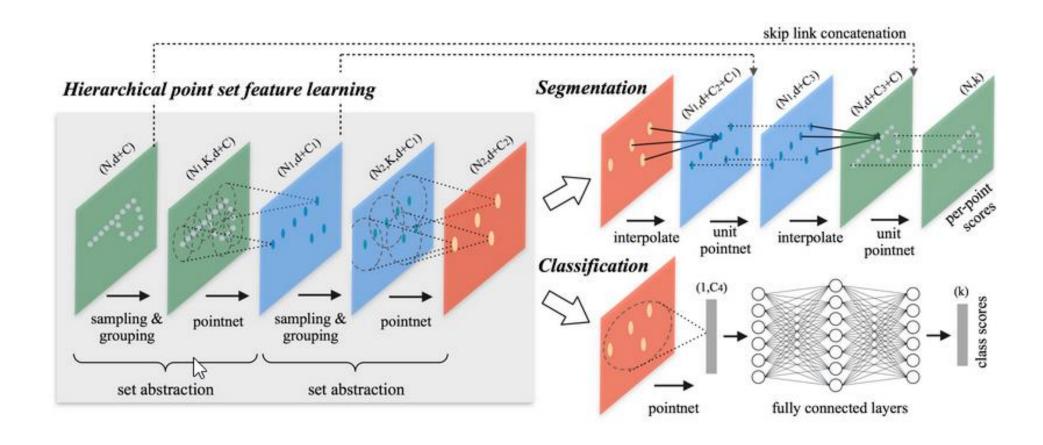


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- In the sampling layer a subset of m points $\{x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{im}\}$ is sampled from the n points. The iterative farthest point sampling technique is used. The sampled m points form the set of centroids for the grouping layer
- Grouping layer takes the input point set N*(D+C), and the coordinates of the centroids N*D from the sampling step. All points laying inside a sphere of a certain radius around each centroid are collected forming set N'*K*(D+C)
- PointNet is applied for each set of group points after being translated to a local system centered at the centroid



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Calibration Network

Target based calibration:

- Dedicated calibration target
- A priori knowledge of target dimension





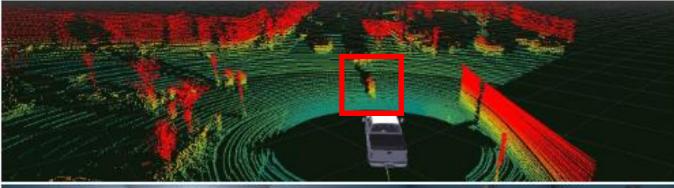


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Target and Targetless calibration

Targetless calibration:

- Laser reflectivity and pixel intensity matching
- Motion sensor dependency





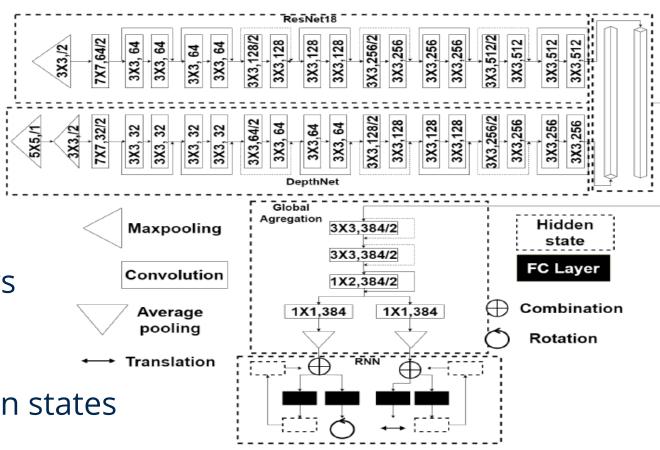
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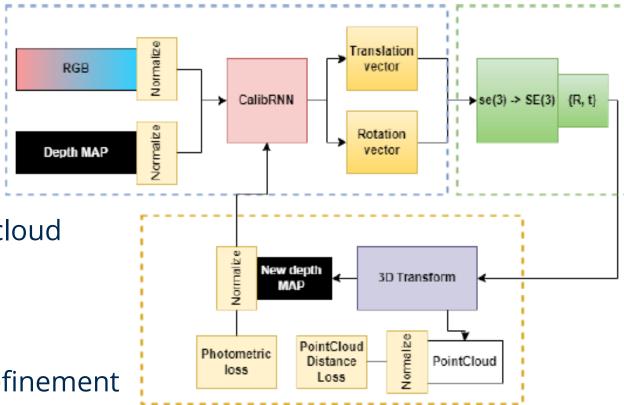
Deep neural networks

- CNN residual networks
- RGB & Depth local special feature extraction
- Feature aggregation
- Estimation of velocity vectors (translation & rotation)
- Translation & rotation hidden states



Framework structure

- RGB & Depth map input
- Translation & rotation estimation
- Mapping from the algebra se(3) to manifold SE(3)
- 6 DoF transformation on the point cloud
- Point distance calculation
- Pixel intensity calculation
- Feedback the new depth map for refinement



Equivalence representations

Yaw Pitch Roll to Mat

$$\mathbf{R}_{z}(\phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0\\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{y}(\chi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \chi & 0 & \sin \chi \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \chi & 0 & \cos \chi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_x(\psi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \psi & -\sin \psi \\ 0 & \sin \psi & \cos \psi \end{pmatrix}$$

Quat to Mat

$$q_r^2 + q_x^2 - q_y^2 - q_z^2 \qquad 2(q_x q_y - q_r q_z) \qquad 2(q_z q_x + q_r q_y)$$

$$2(q_x q_y + q_r q_z) \qquad q_r^2 - q_x^2 + q_y^2 - q_z^2 \qquad 2(q_y q_z - q_r q_x)$$

$$2(q_z q_x - q_r q_y) \qquad 2(q_y q_z + q_r q_x) \qquad q_r^2 - q_x^2 - q_y^2 + q_z^2$$

Applied Lie Algebra

se(3) -> SE(3):

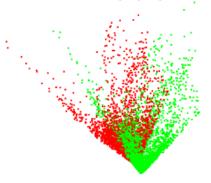
Rodrigues' Formula:
$$e^{\mathbf{v}} \equiv e^{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{v})} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\boldsymbol{\omega}^{\wedge}} & \mathbf{Vt} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I_3} + \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\theta^2} \omega^{\wedge} + \frac{\theta - \sin \theta}{\theta^3} (\omega^{\wedge})^2$$

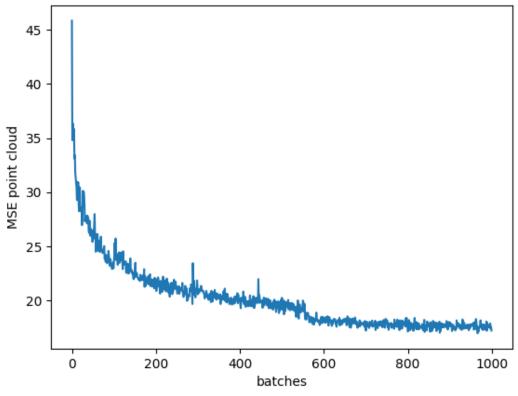
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Training

- Geometrically supervised learning
- Dynamic training dataset generation
- Highest focus on point cloud distance minimization

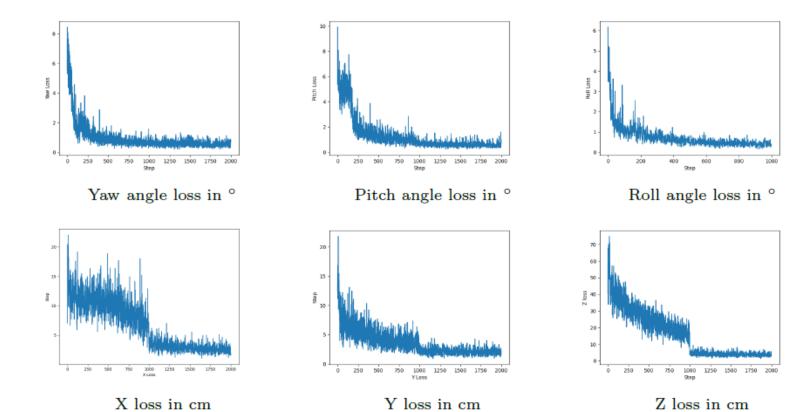








Reported Errors





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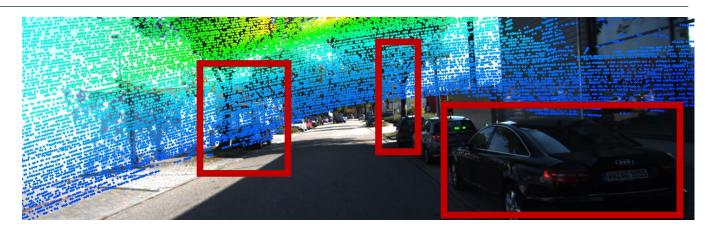
| Approach | Yaw° | Pitch° | Roll° | X com | Y cm | Z cm |
|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Regnet | 0.24 | 0.25 | 0.36 | 7 | 7 | 4 |
| Calibnet | 0.15 | 0.9 | 0.18 | 12.1 | 3.49 | 7.87 |
| CalibRRnet | 0.2043 | 0.2290 | 0.0931 | 1.0590 | 0.9319 | 1.4131 |

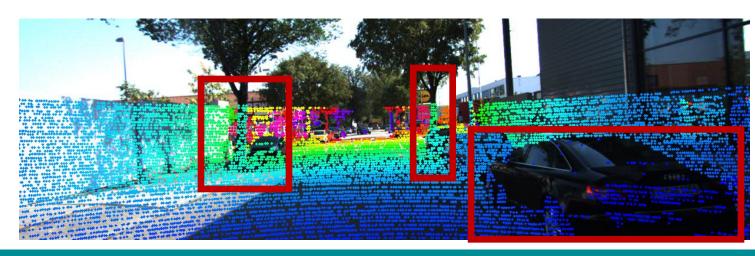


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Calibration

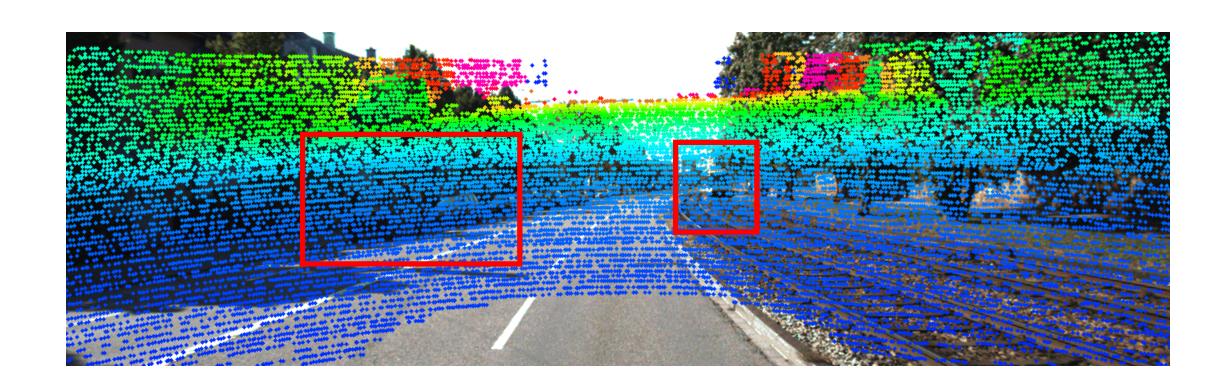
 Misaligned lidar point cloud projection





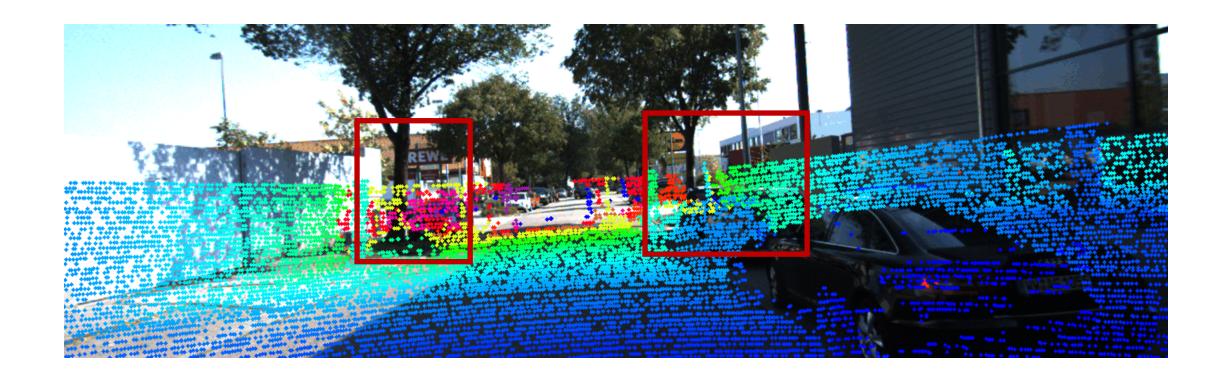
 Alignment result of Depth map feature and RGB feature map.

Rotation(deg): [-10, 10], Translation(m): [-0.2, 0.2]





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Rotation(deg): [-20, 20], Translation(m): [-0.4, 0.4]

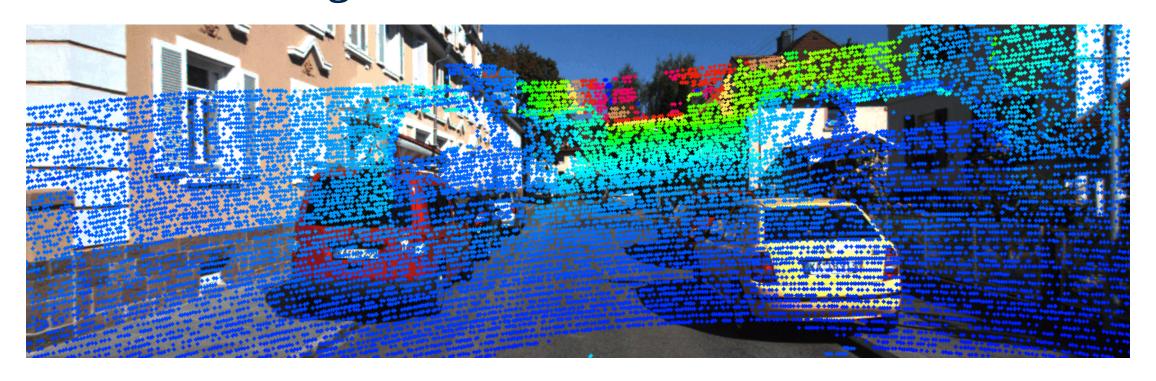




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Model application on different camera calibration setup

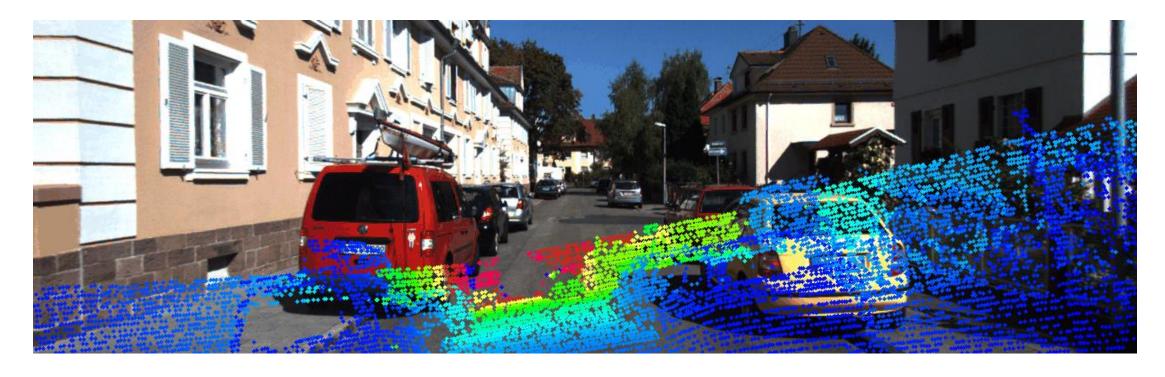
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