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Autonomous Racing

Perception
Localization

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Localization and Mapping

Where am I ?

Scene Understanding

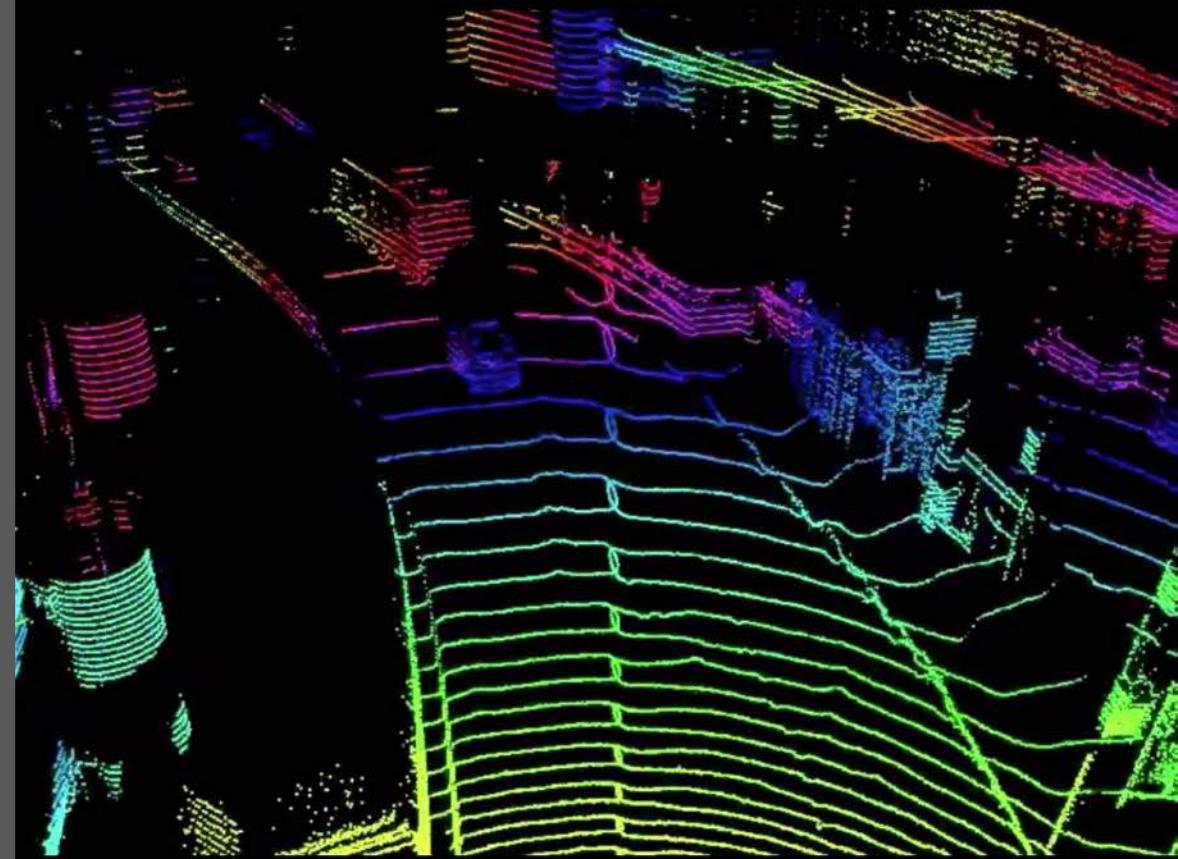
Where/who/what/why of everyone/everything else ?

Trajectory Planning and Control

Where should I go next ?
How do I steer and accelerate ?

Human Interaction

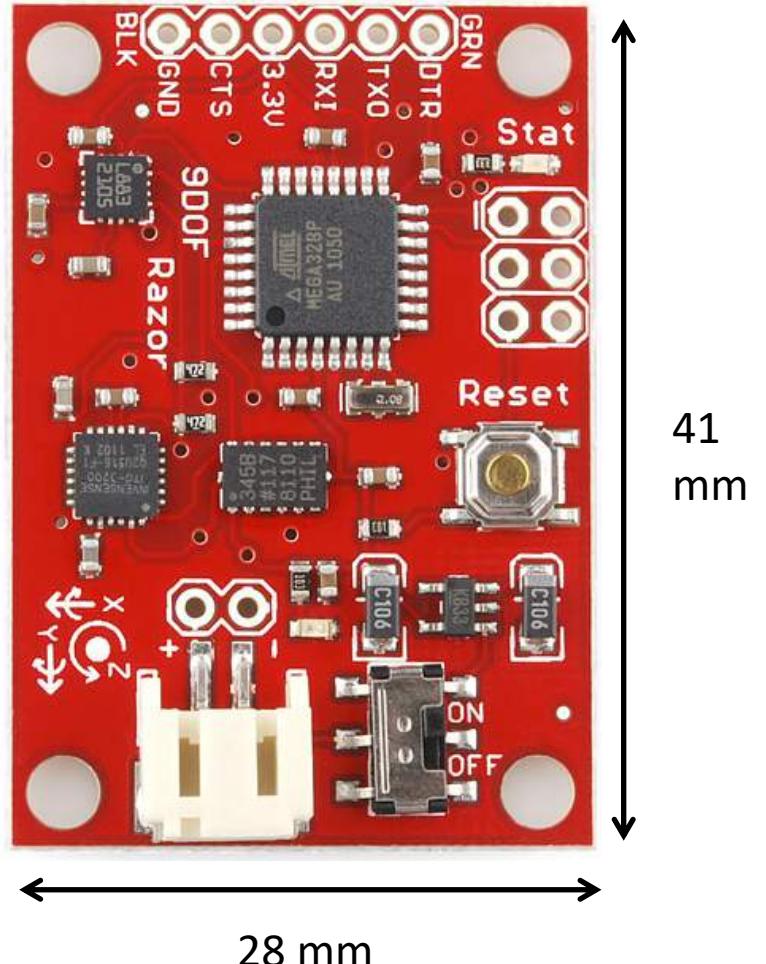
How do I convey my intent to the passenger and everyone else ?



Perception

Sensors: specifications, placement and data

Inertial Measurement Unit



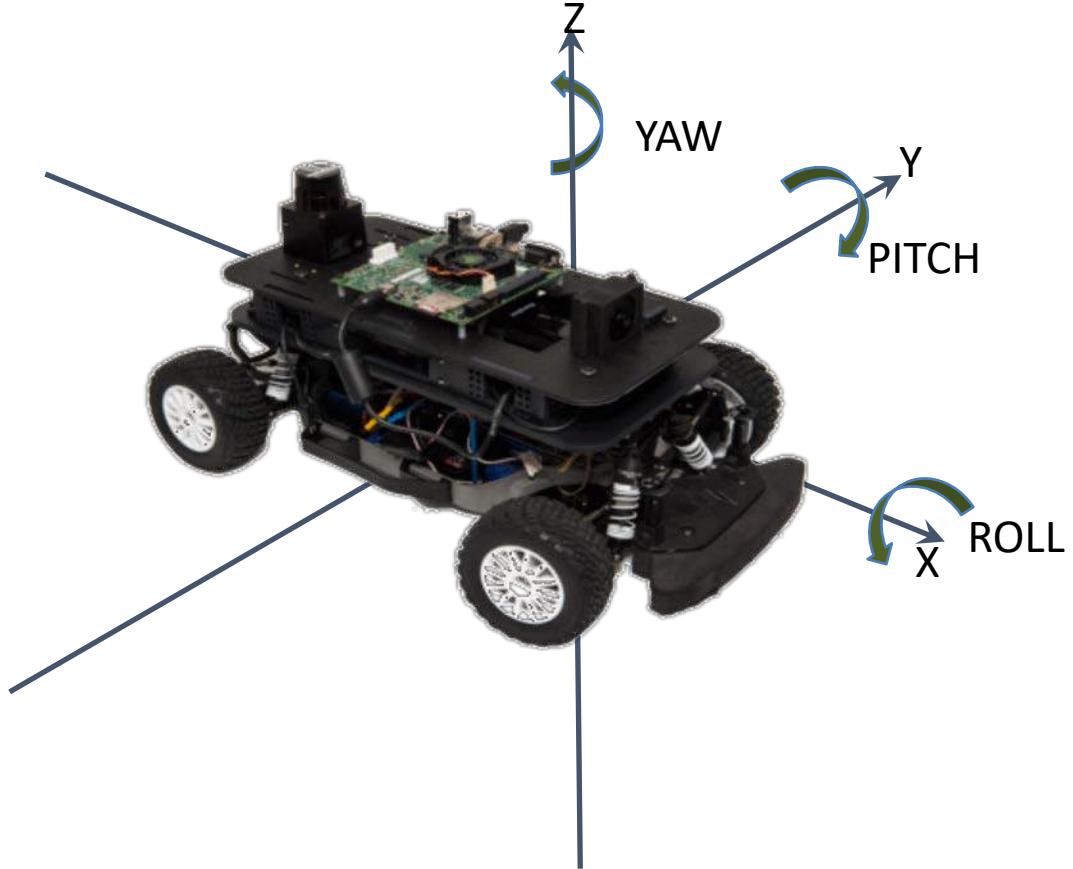
Razor IMU from Sparkfun

An Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) provides acceleration, velocity and attitude measurements.

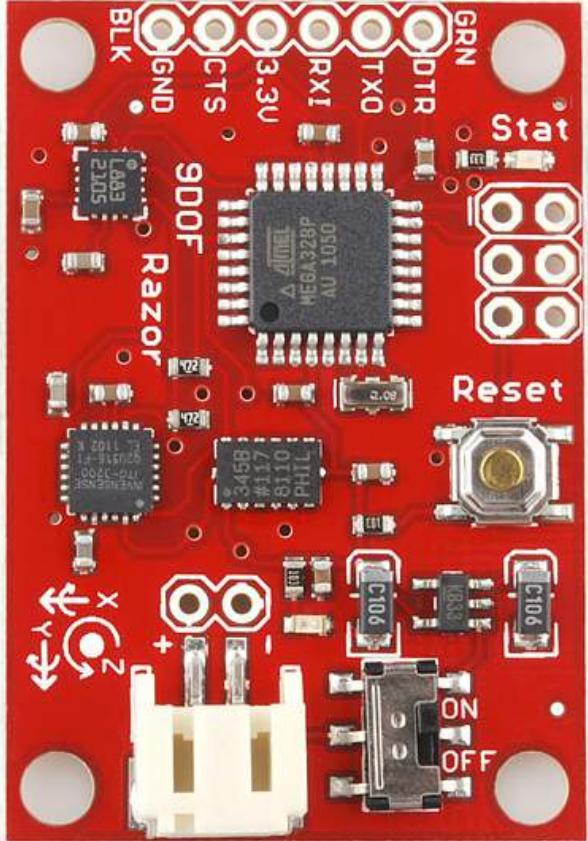
$$\dot{x} = v$$

$$\dot{v} = a$$

Inertial Measurement Unit:



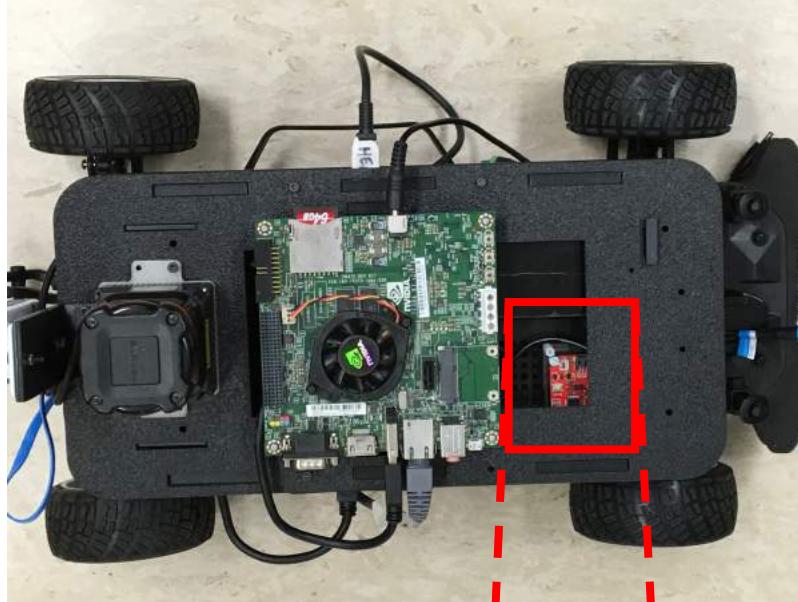
Inertial Measurement Unit



Razor IMU from Sparkfun

- Three gyroscopes measure the roll, pitch and yaw of the car.
- Three accelerometers measure the linear and rotational acceleration of the car.
- Three magnetometers

Inertial Measurement Unit: Placement



IMU: ROS message

```
# File: sensor_msgs/Imu.msg
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# This is a message to hold data from an IMU (Inertial Measurement Unit)
# Accelerations should be in m/s^2 (not in g's), and rotational velocity should be in rad
/sec
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Header header
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geometry_msgs/Quaternion orientation
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float64[9] orientation_covariance # Row major about x, y, z axes
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geometry_msgs/Vector3 angular_velocity
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geometry_msgs/Vector3 linear_acceleration
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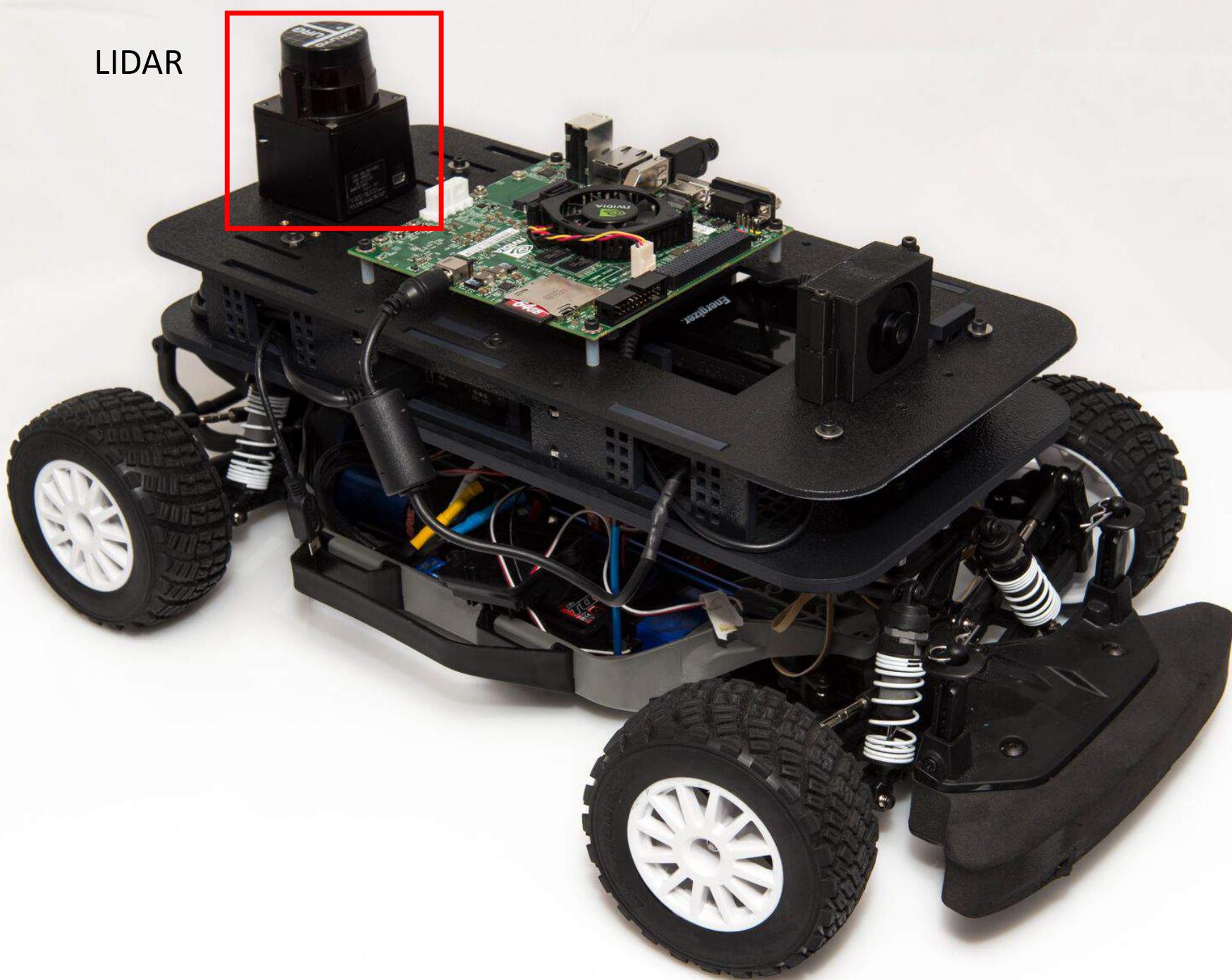
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LIDAR

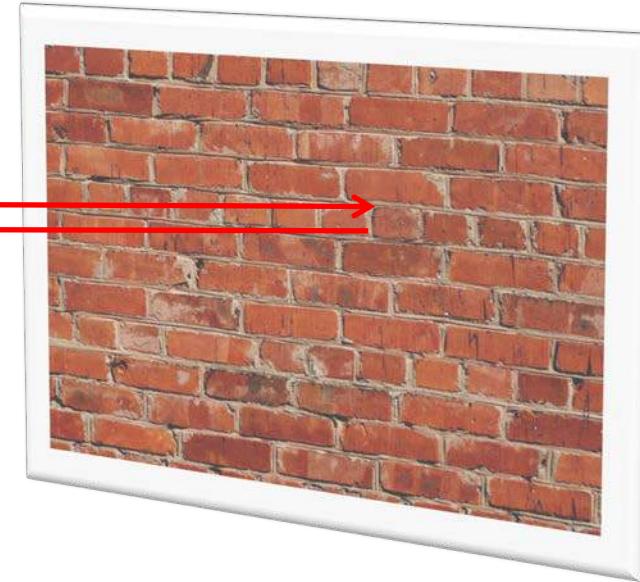
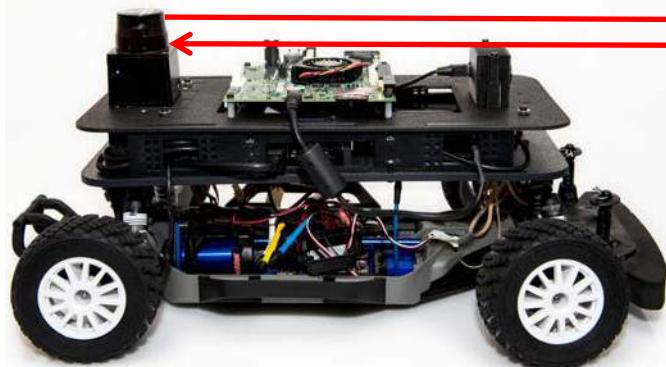


Depth information (how far are objects and obstacles around me)

LIDAR



Distance to obstacle = (speed of light * time traveled)/2





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270 degrees horizontal field
of view

Step 1079

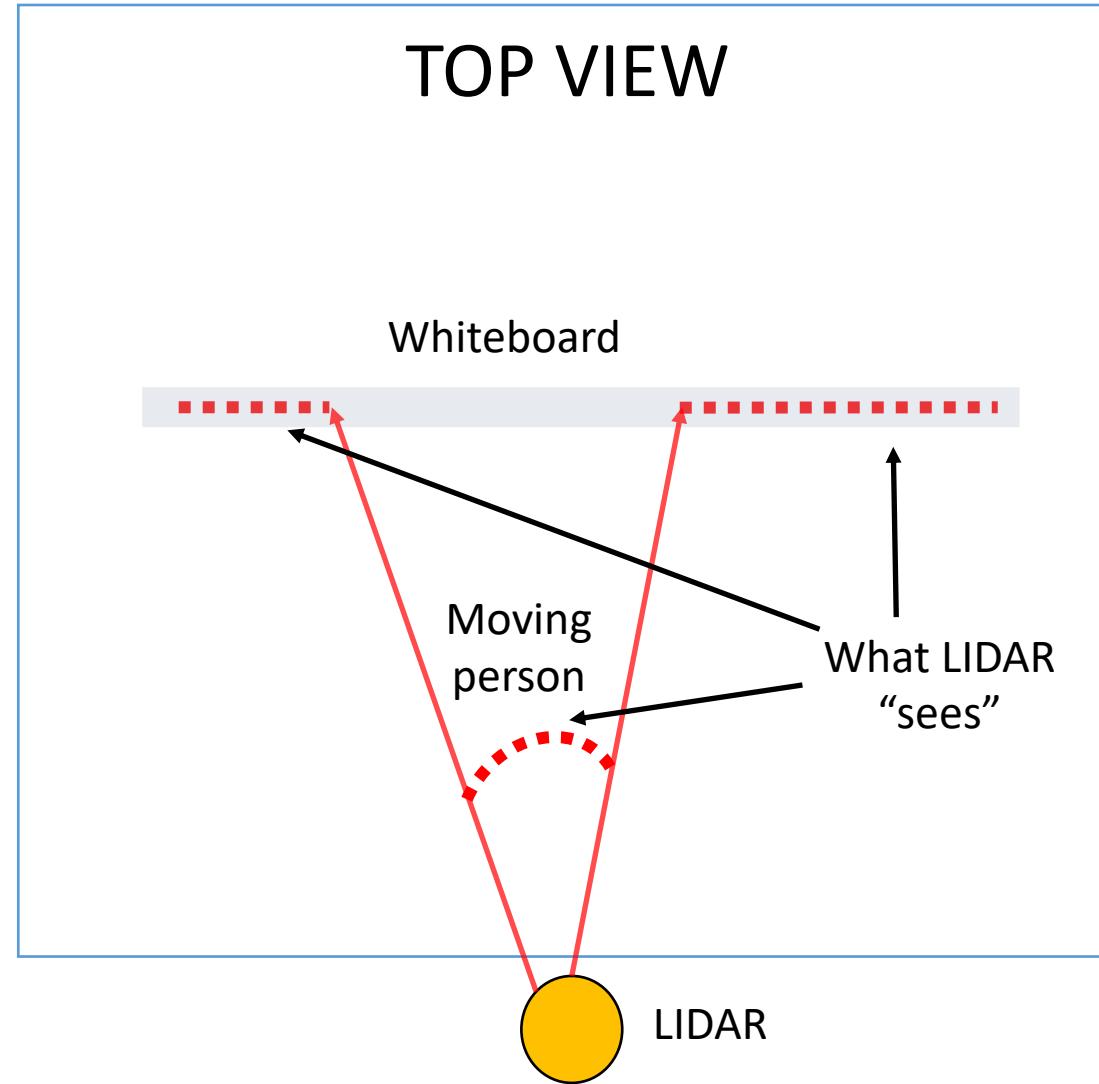
Range
10m

Step k+1
Step k

Angular resolution 0.25 degrees

Step 1
Step 0

LIDAR: a simple scan sequence





Time

ROS Time: 1456773883.70

ROS Elapsed: 362.13

Wall Time: 1456773883.74

Wall Elapsed: 362.13

Experimental

Reset

Left-Click: Rotate. Middle-Click: Move X/Y. Right-Click/Mouse Wheel: Zoom. Shift: More options.

30 fp

LIDAR: ROS message structure

File: sensor_msgs/LaserScan.msg

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Header header      # timestamp in the header is the acquisition time of  
                   # the first ray in the scan.  
  
float32 angle_min    # start angle of the scan [rad]  
float32 angle_max    # end angle of the scan [rad]  
float32 angle_increment # angular distance between measurements [rad]  
  
float32 time_increment # time between measurements [seconds]  
float32 scan_time      # time between scans [seconds]  
  
float32 range_min      # minimum range value [m]  
float32 range_max      # maximum range value [m]  
  
float32[] ranges      # range data [m] (Note: values < range_min or > range_max  
                      # should be discarded)  
float32[] intensities   # intensity data [device-specific units].
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paril@paril: ~ 80x24

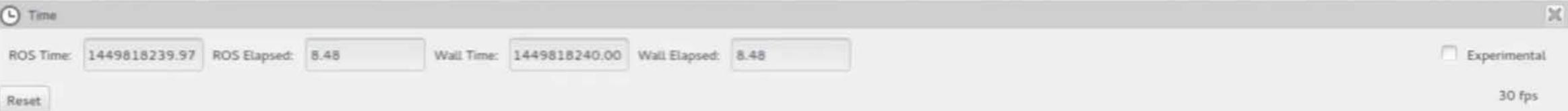
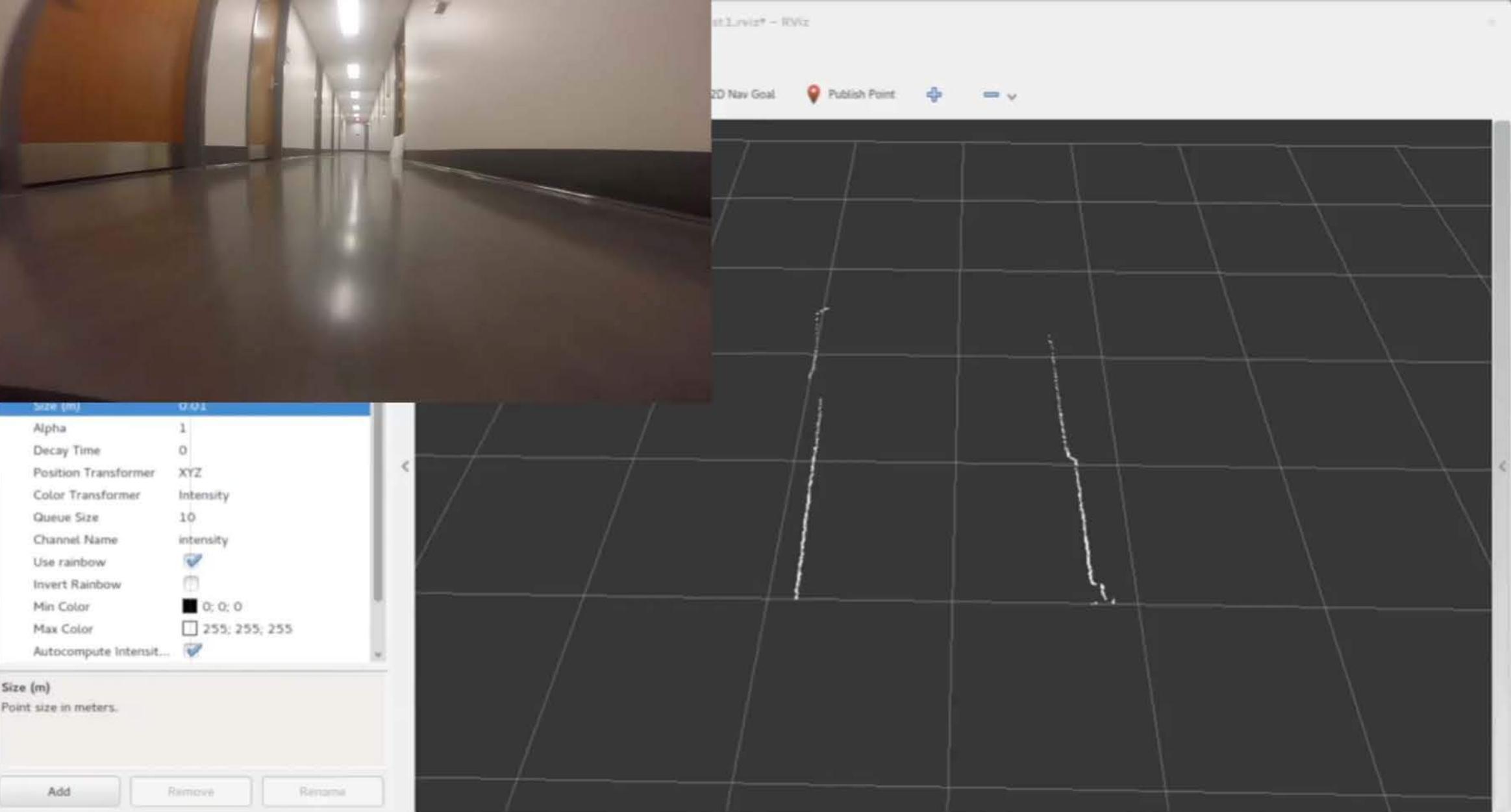
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79016, 0.3319999873638153, 0.3319999873638153, 0.32600000500679016, 0.3260000050
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Array ranges[1080]: ranges[i] is distance measurement of (i+1)st step.

Measurements beyond the min and max range (like inf) *should be discarded*.

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intensities: []
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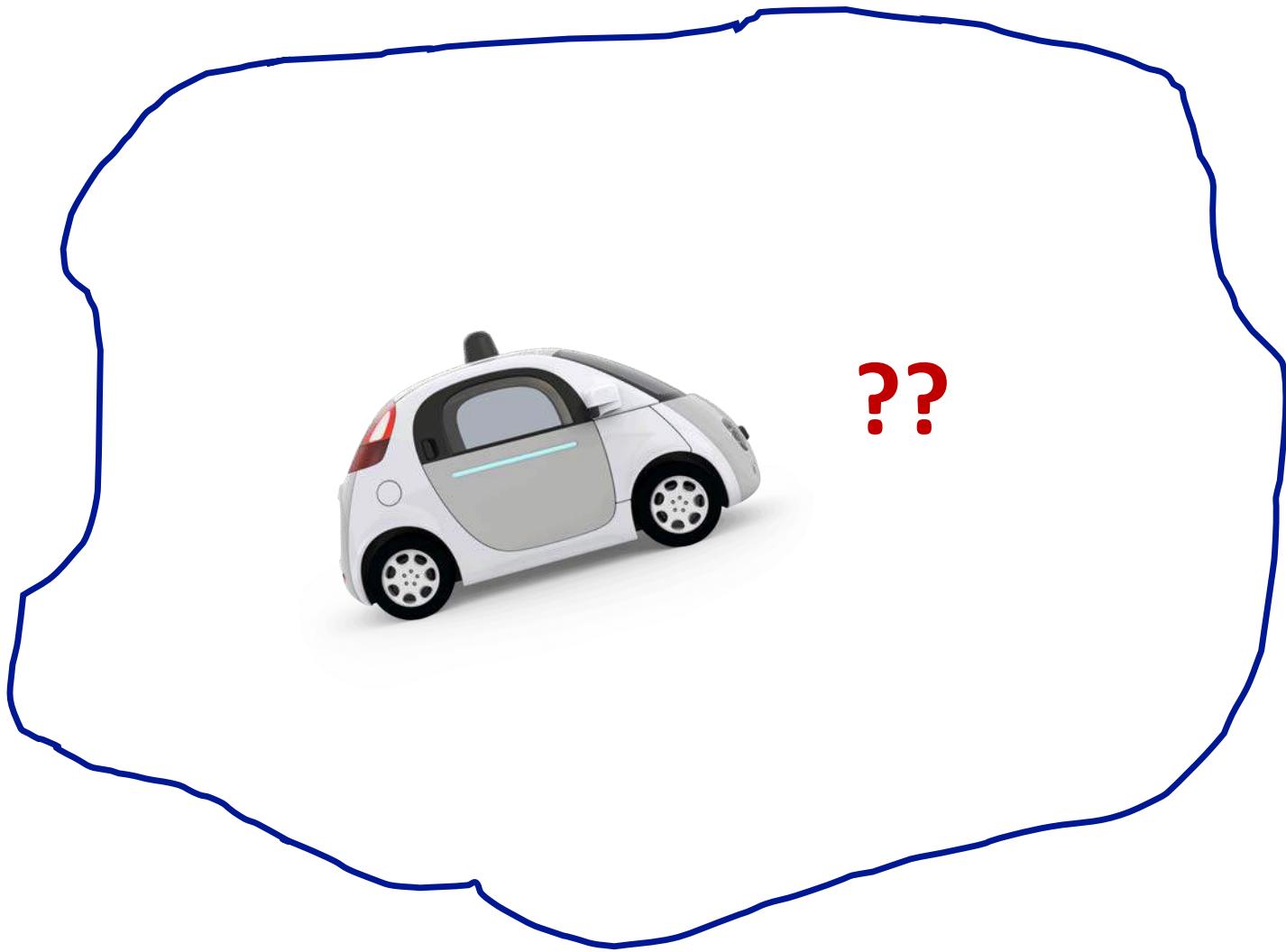
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Localization

Know (where is) thyself:

Localization

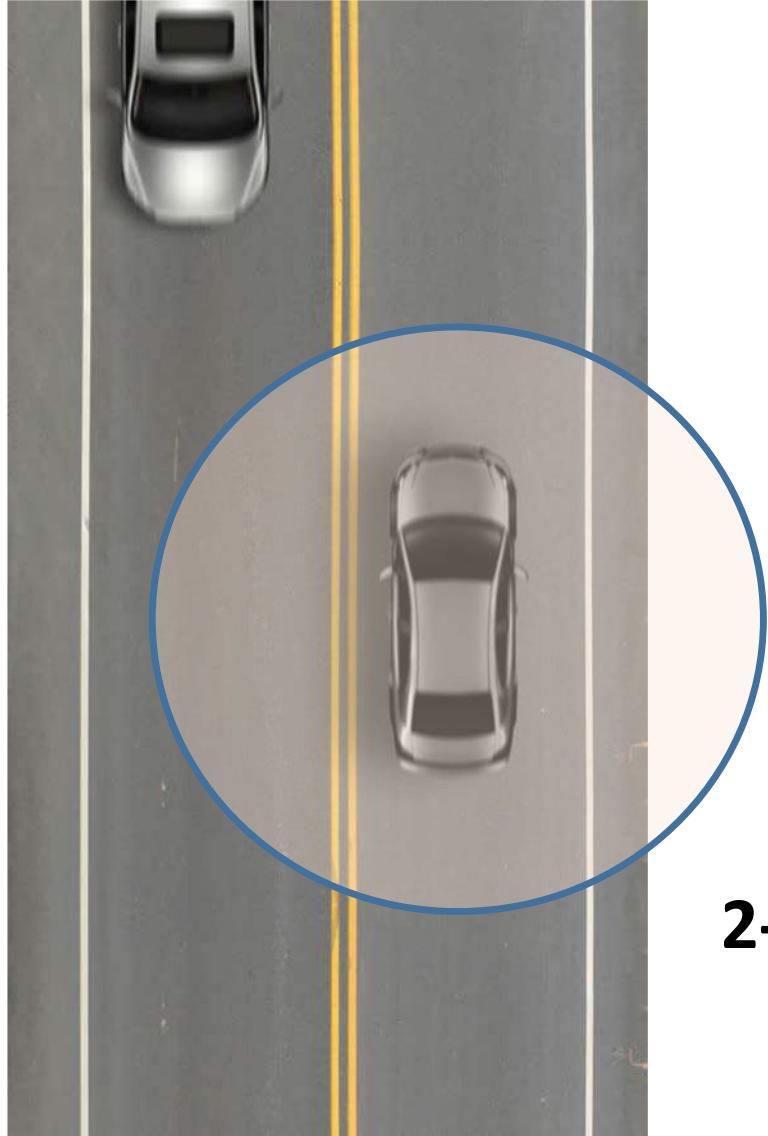


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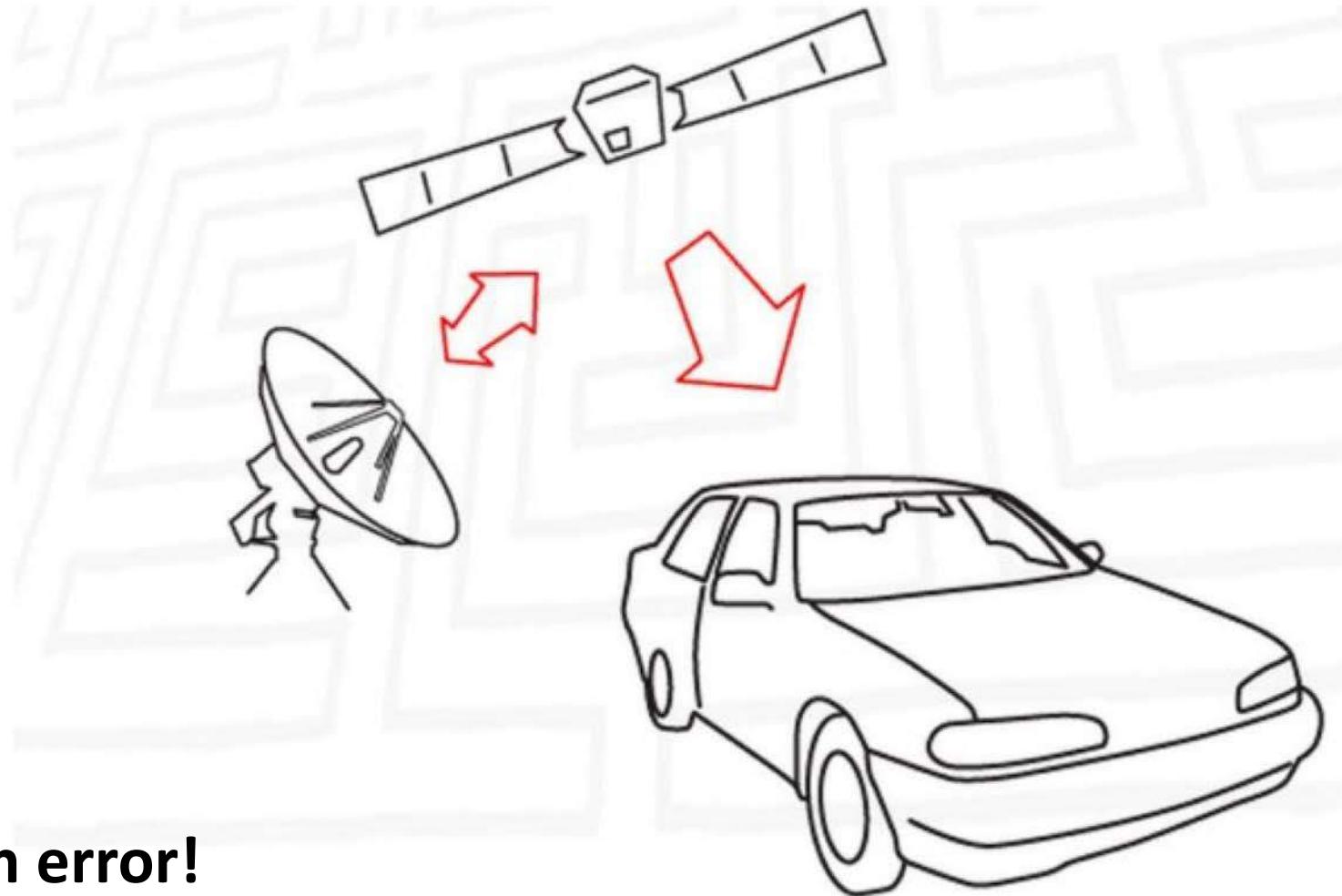
- Determine the state (position and orientation) of a robot with respect to the environment
- Localization can be within a global frame of a map, or relative to one's starting point
- Key component of all methods in the course moving forward!



Global positioning system

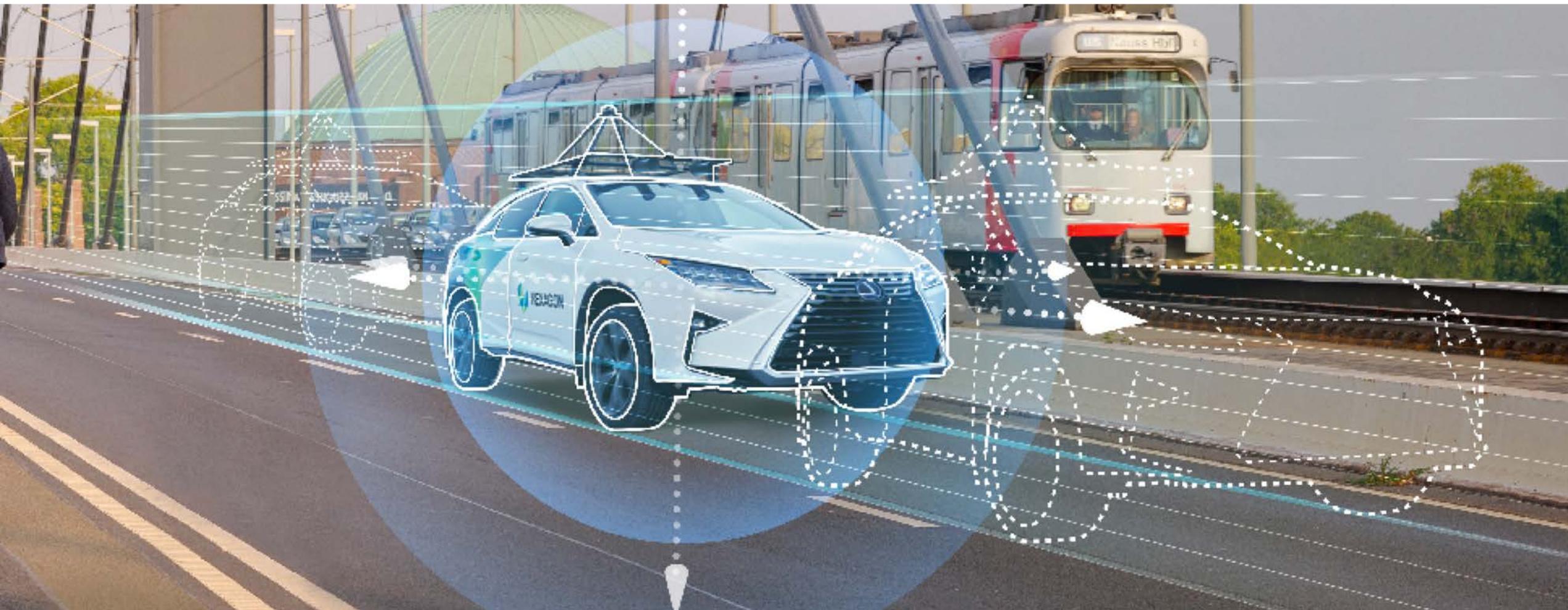


2-10m error!



Need 2-10cm error

Need decimeter level accuracy





Dead Reckoning For Localization



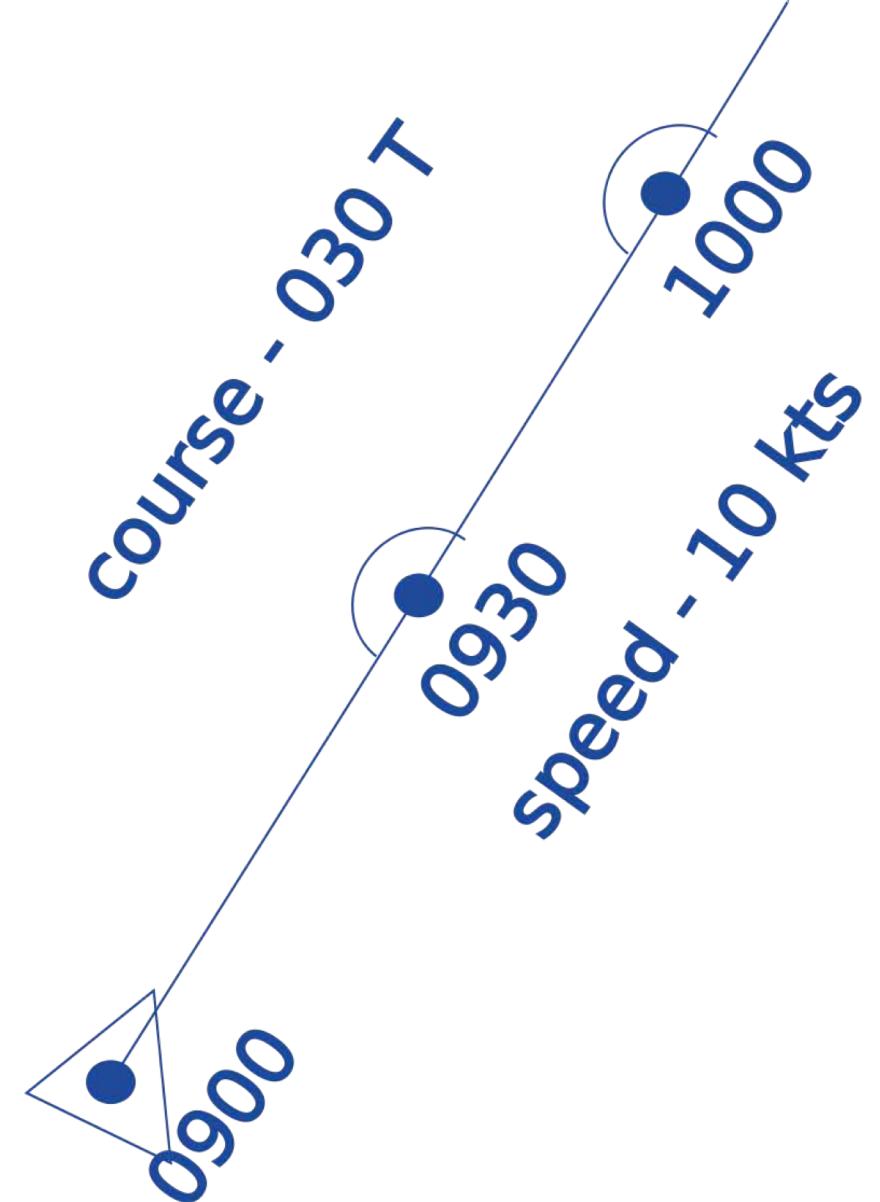
dead reckoning

estimating the value of any variable quantity by using an earlier value and adding whatever changes have occurred in the meantime

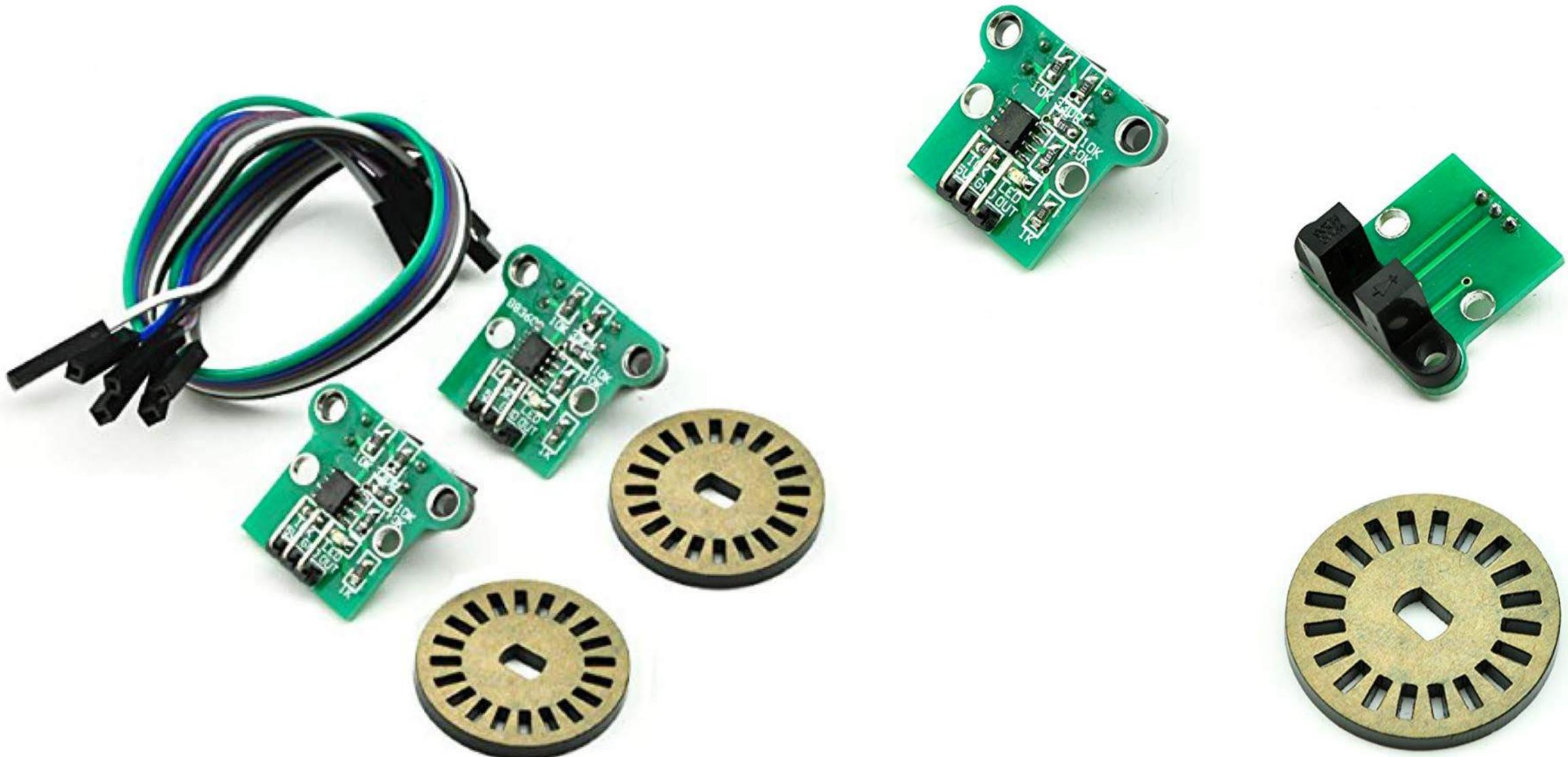
"deduced reckoning,"

"dead ahead," reckoning

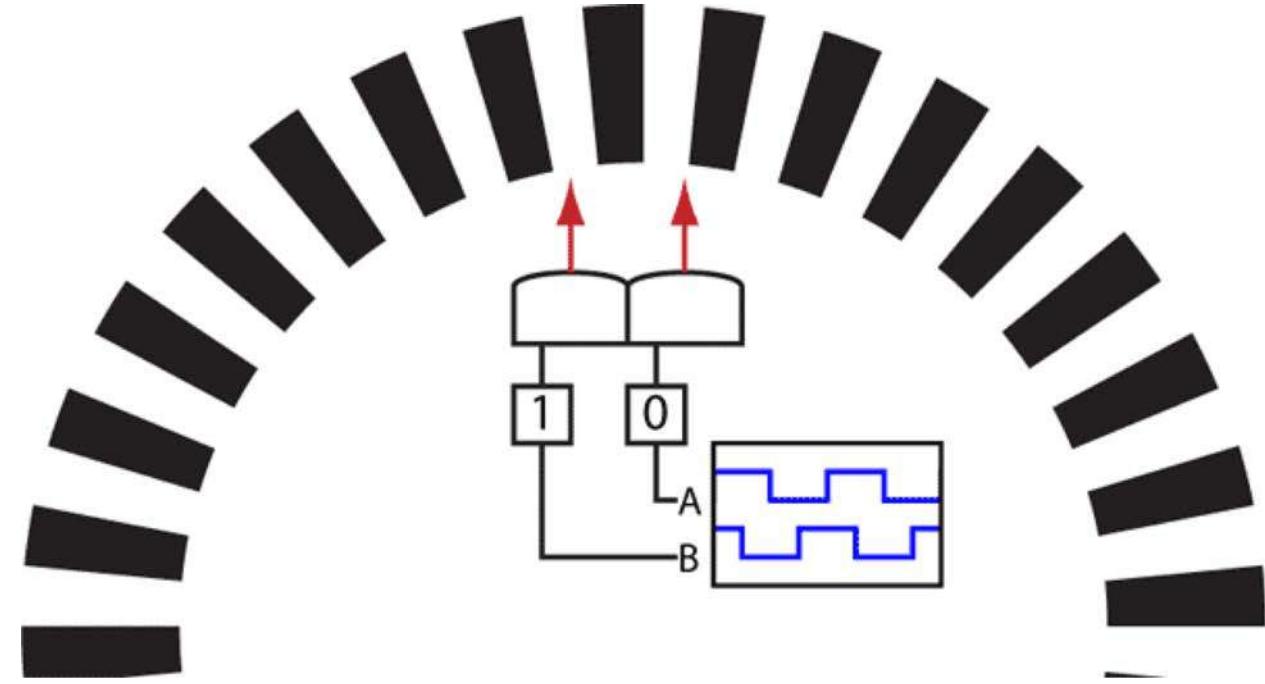
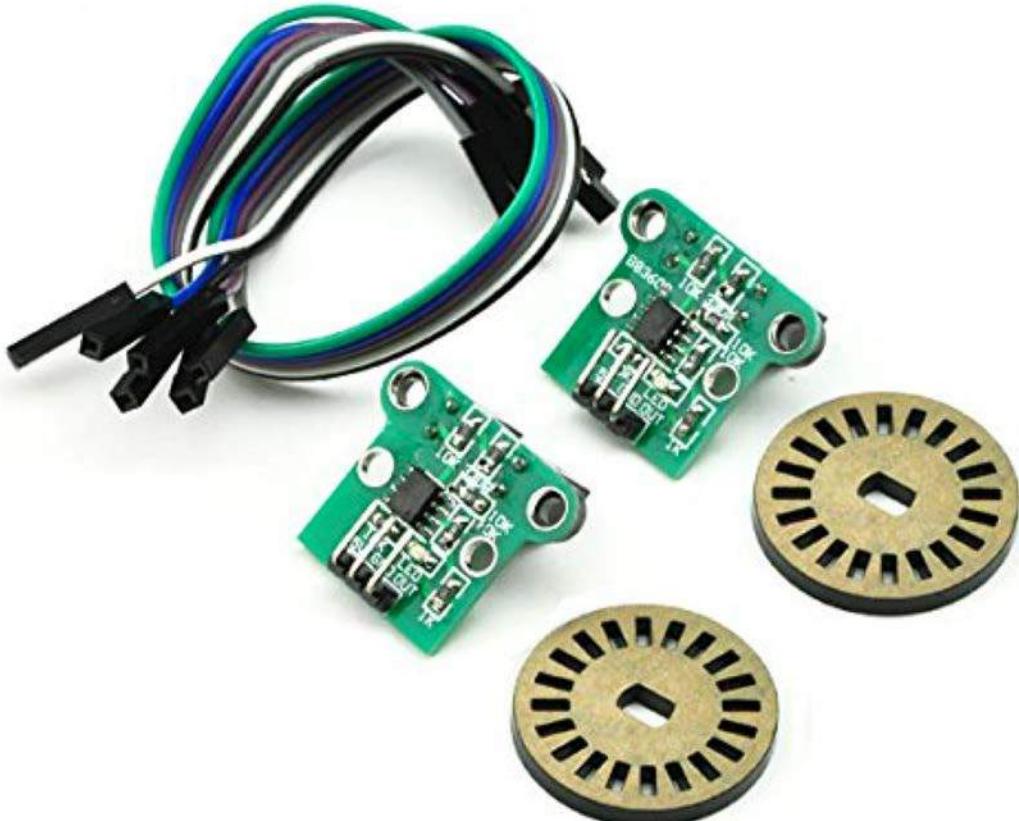
word "dead": "of water, 'still, standing,



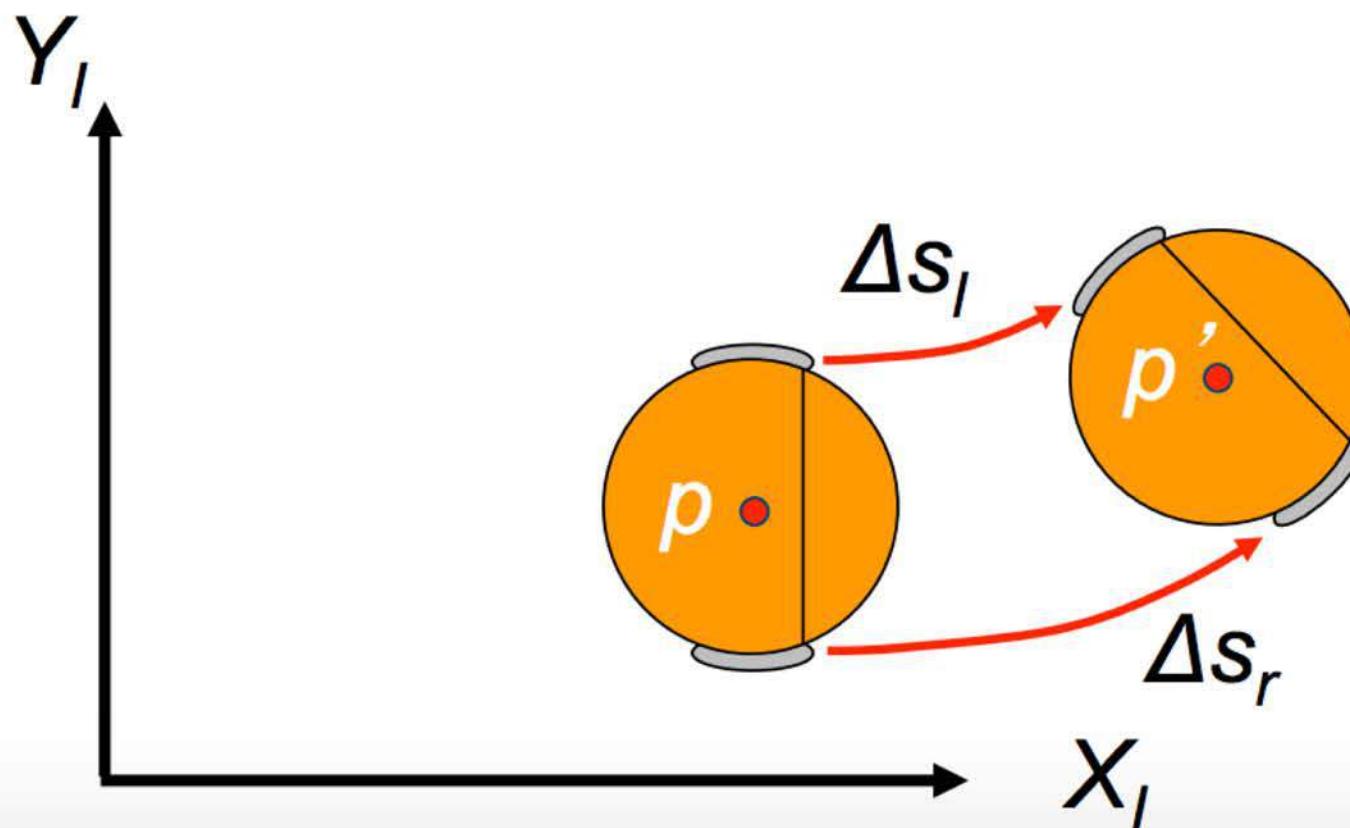
Odometry -Wheel Encoders



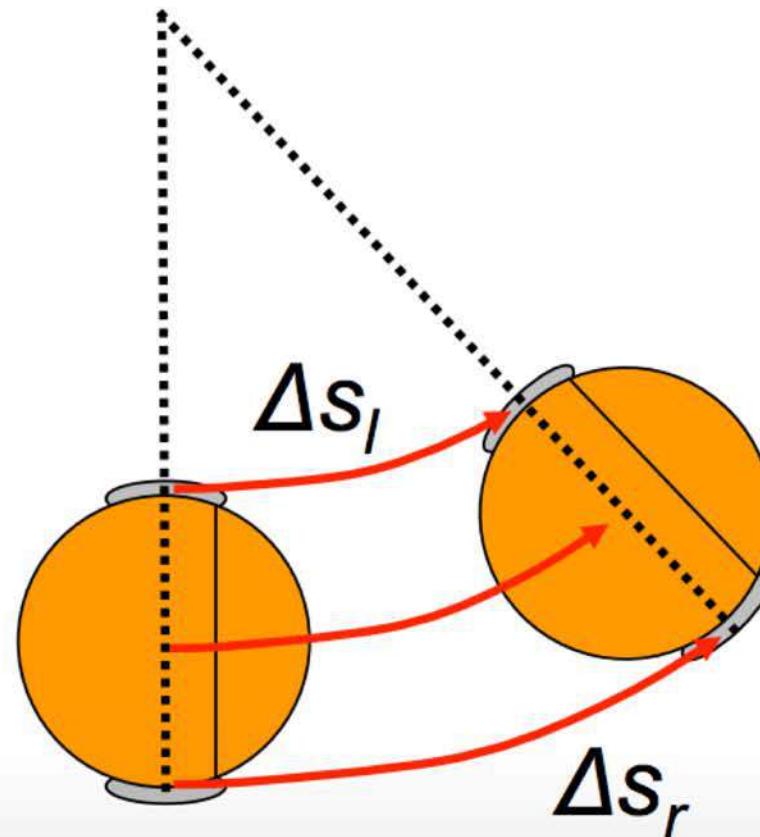
Odometry -Wheel Encoders



- If a robot starts from a position p , and the right and left wheels move respective distances Δs_r and Δs_l , what is the resulting new position p' ?



- To start, let's model the change in angle $\Delta\theta$ and distance travelled Δs by the robot.
 - Assume the robot is travelling on a circular arc of constant radius.

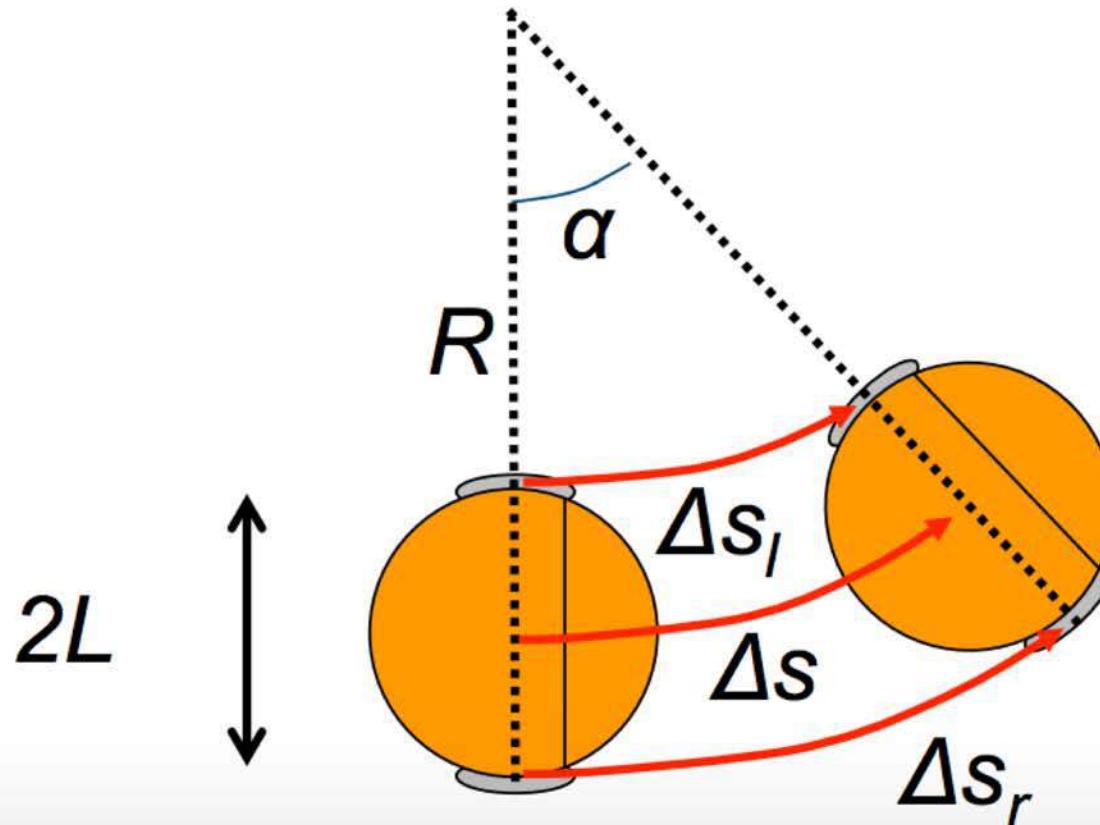


- Begin by noting the following holds for circular arcs:

$$\Delta s_i = R\alpha$$

$$\Delta s_r = (R+2L)\alpha$$

$$\Delta s = (R+L)\alpha$$



- Now manipulate first two equations:

$$\Delta s_l = Ra \quad \Delta s_r = (R+2L)\alpha$$

To:

$$Ra = \Delta s_l$$

$$La = (\Delta s_r - Ra)/2$$

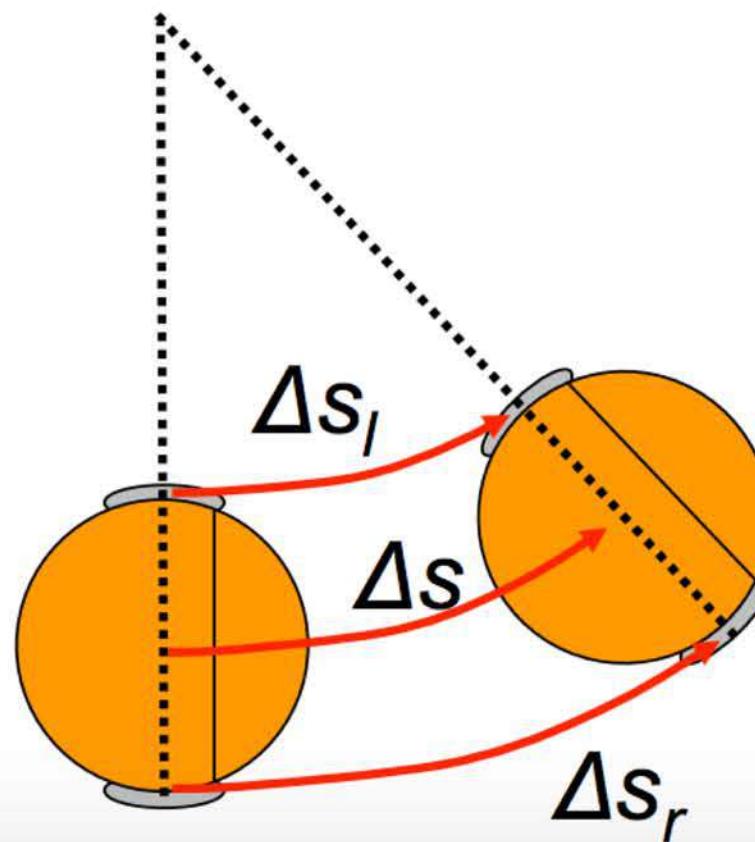
$$= \Delta s_r/2 - \Delta s_l/2$$

- Substitute this into last equation for Δs :

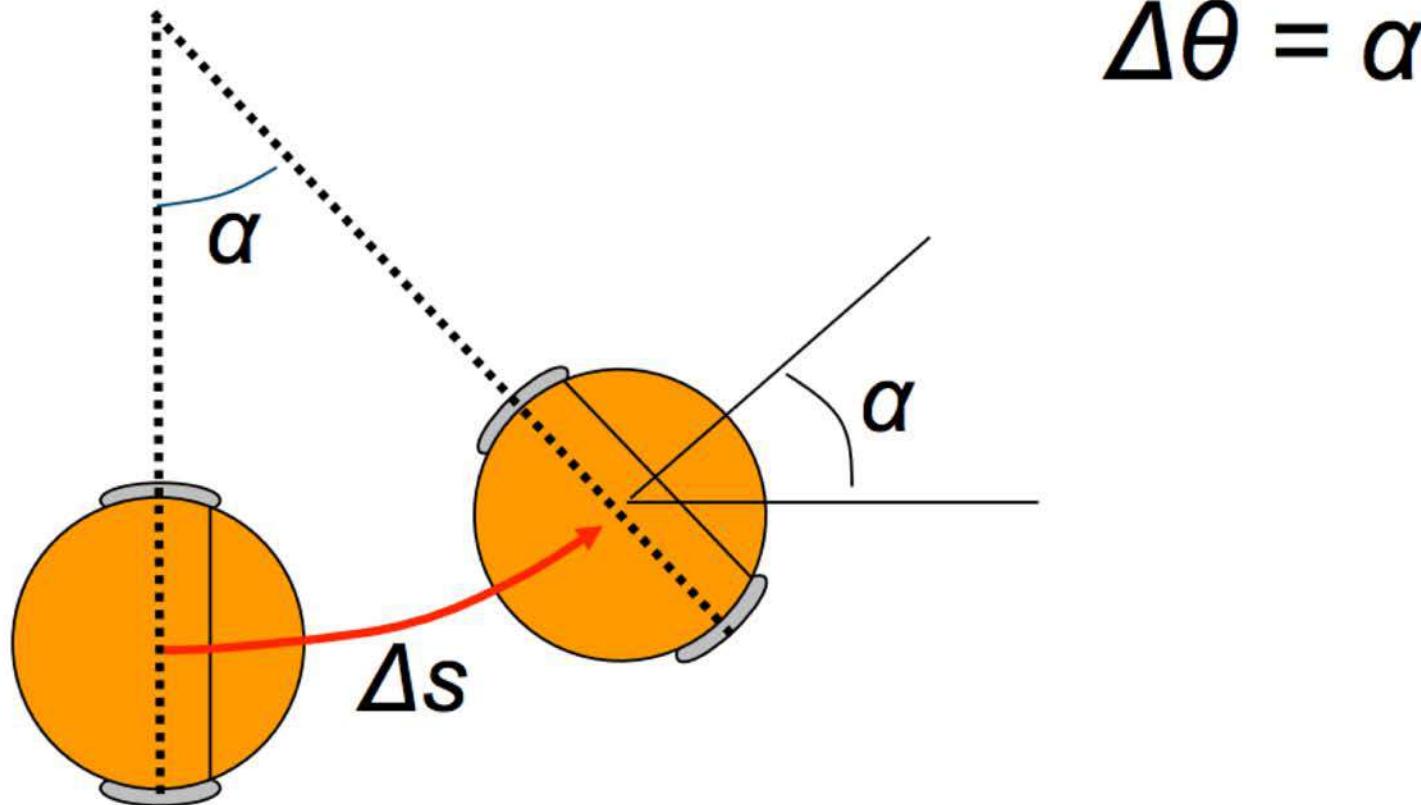
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta s &= (R+L)\alpha \\&= R\alpha + L\alpha \\&= \Delta s_l + \Delta s_r/2 - \Delta s_l/2 \\&= \Delta s_l/2 + \Delta s_r/2 \\&= \frac{\Delta s_l + \Delta s_r}{2}\end{aligned}$$

- Or, note the distance the center travelled is simply the average distance of each wheel:

$$\Delta s = \frac{\Delta s_r + \Delta s_l}{2}$$



- To calculate the change in angle $\Delta\theta$, observe that it equals the rotation about the circular arc's center point



- So we solve for α by equating α from the first two equations:

$$\Delta s_l = R\alpha \quad \Delta s_r = (R+2L)\alpha$$

This results in:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta s_l / R &= \Delta s_r / (R+2L) \\ (R+2L) \Delta s_l &= R \Delta s_r \\ 2L \Delta s_l &= R (\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l) \\ \frac{2L \Delta s_l}{(\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l)} &= R\end{aligned}$$

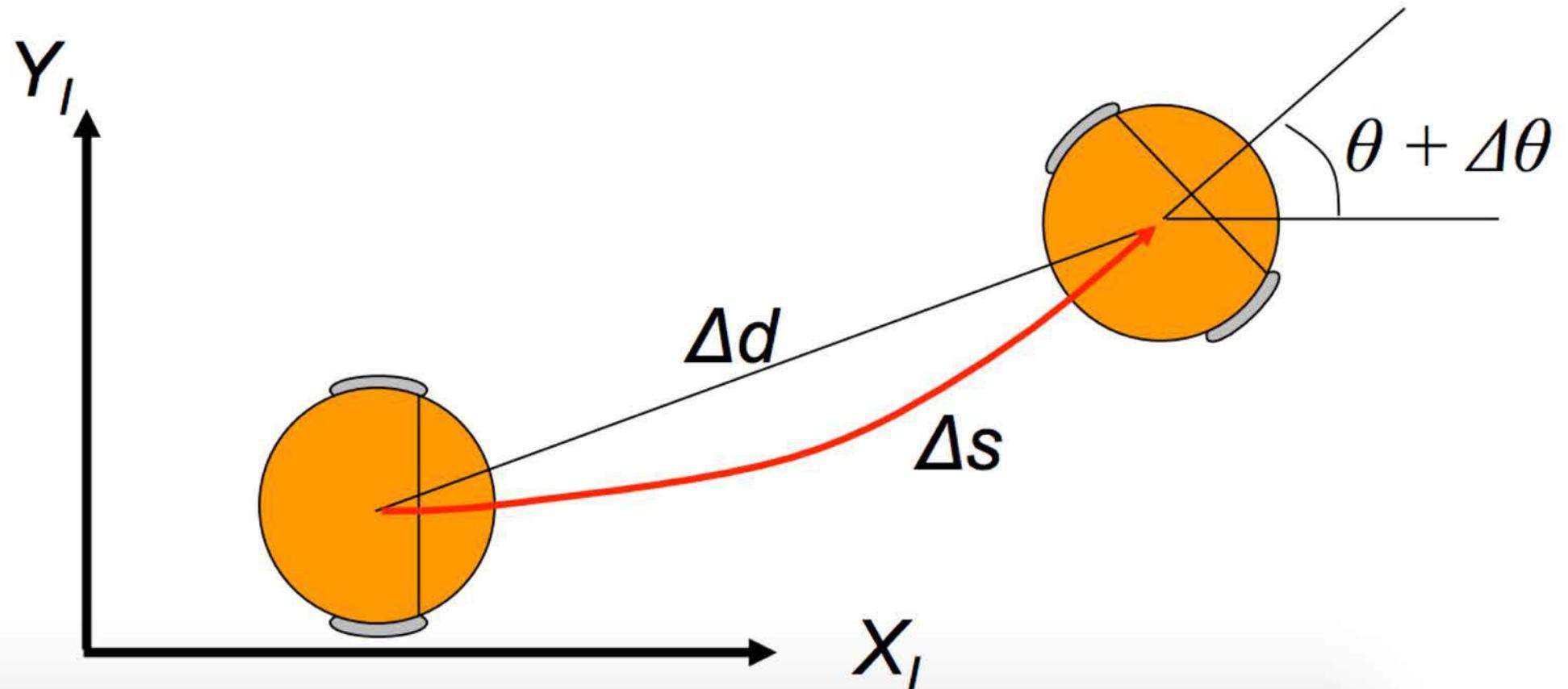
- Substitute R into

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \Delta s_l / R \\ &= \Delta s_l (\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l) / (2L \Delta s_l) \\ &= \frac{(\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l)}{2L}\end{aligned}$$

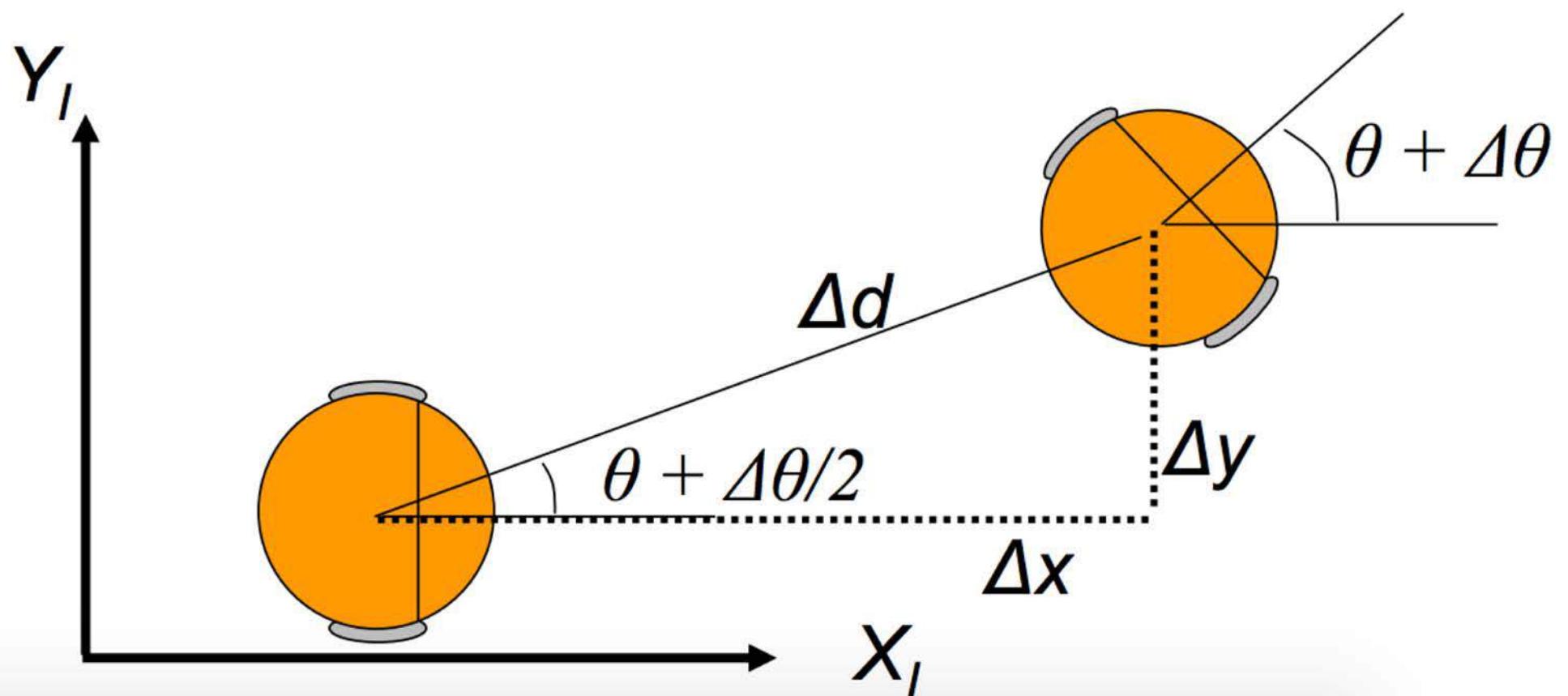
So...

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l)}{2L}$$

- Now that we have $\Delta\theta$ and Δs , we can calculate the position change in global coordinates.
 - We use a new segment of length Δd .



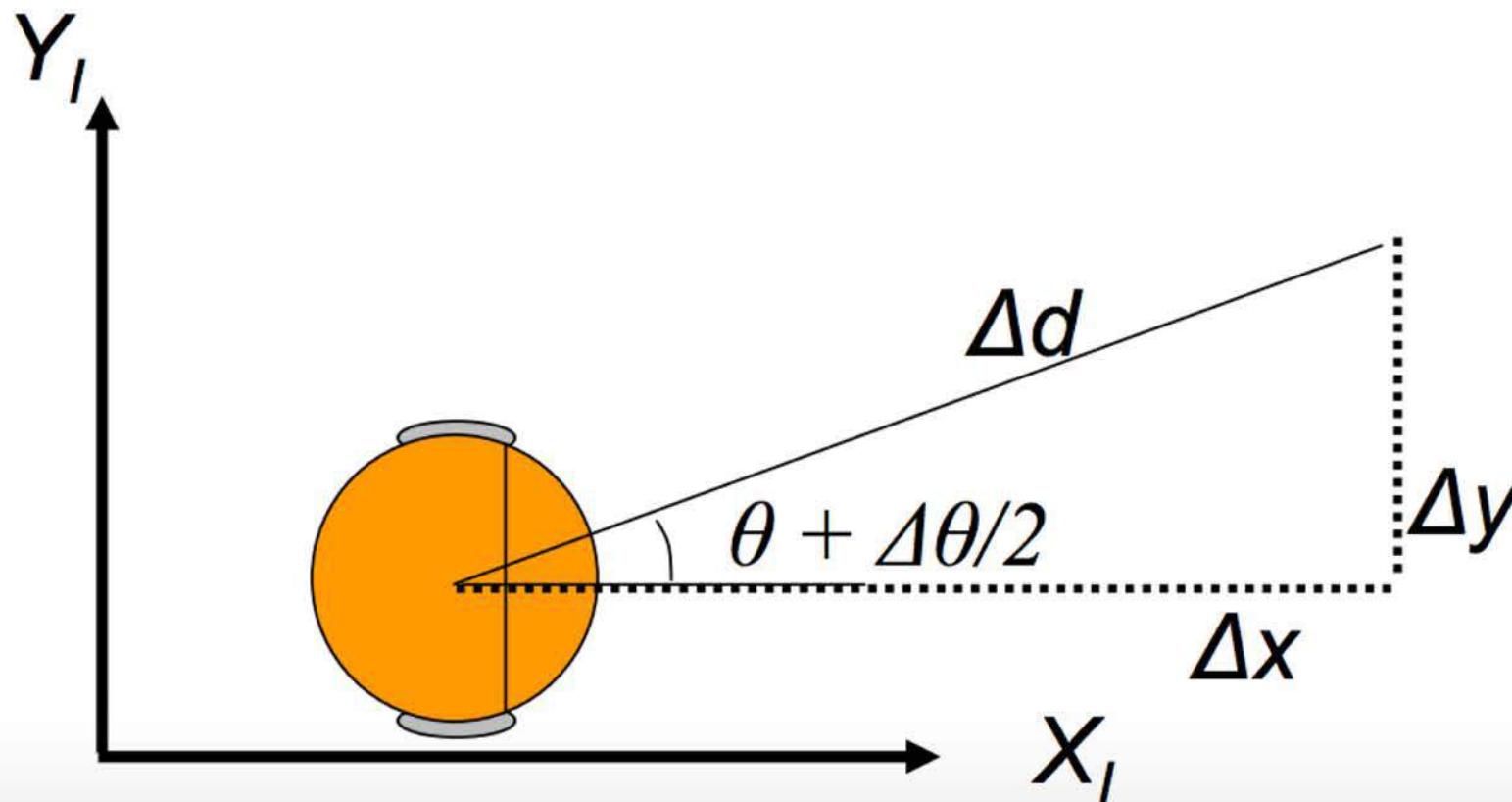
- Now calculate the change in position as a function of Δd .



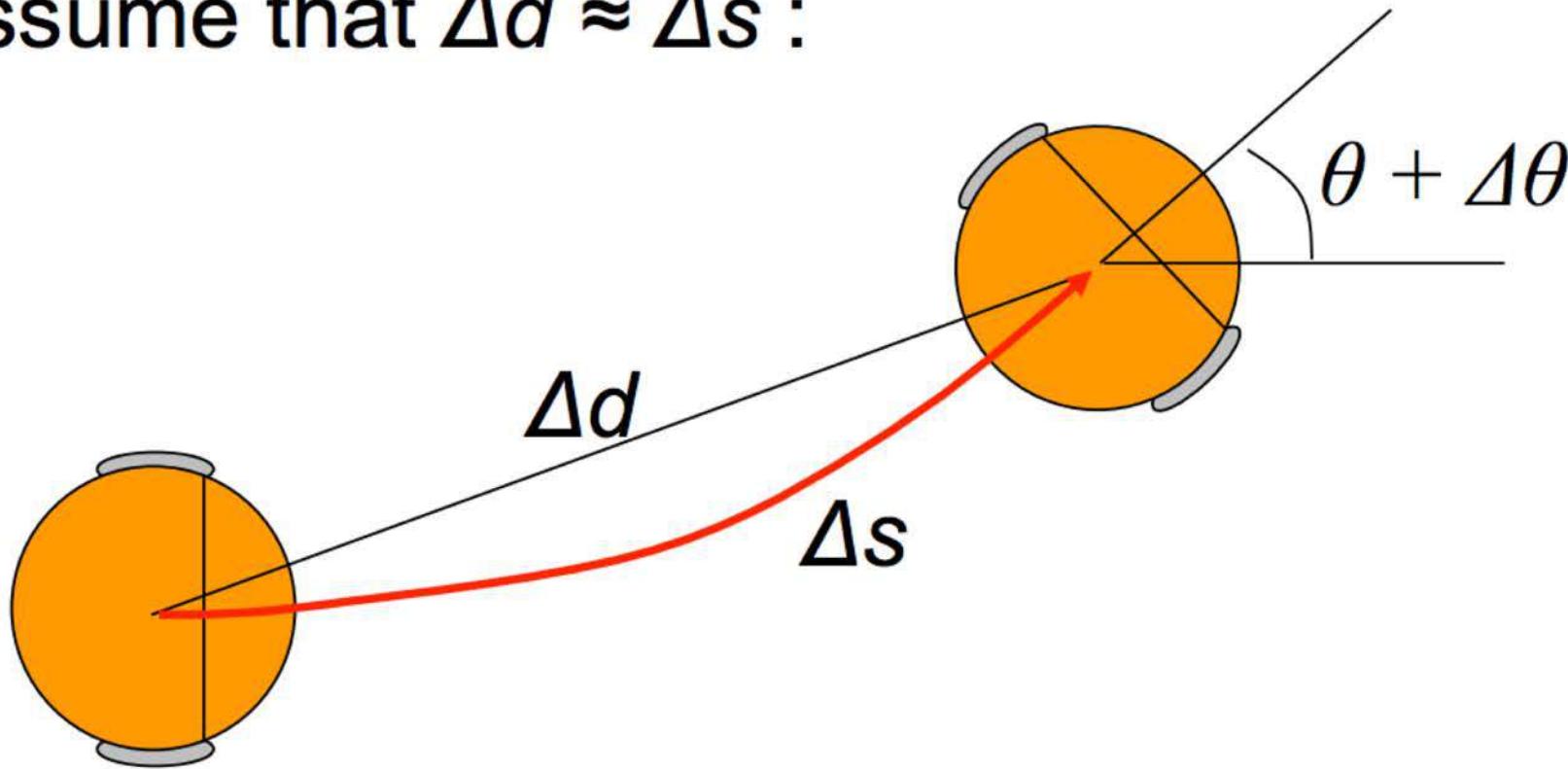
- Using Trig:

$$\Delta x = \Delta d \cos(\theta + \Delta\theta/2)$$

$$\Delta y = \Delta d \sin(\theta + \Delta\theta/2)$$



- Now if we assume that the motion is small, then we can assume that $\Delta d \approx \Delta s$:

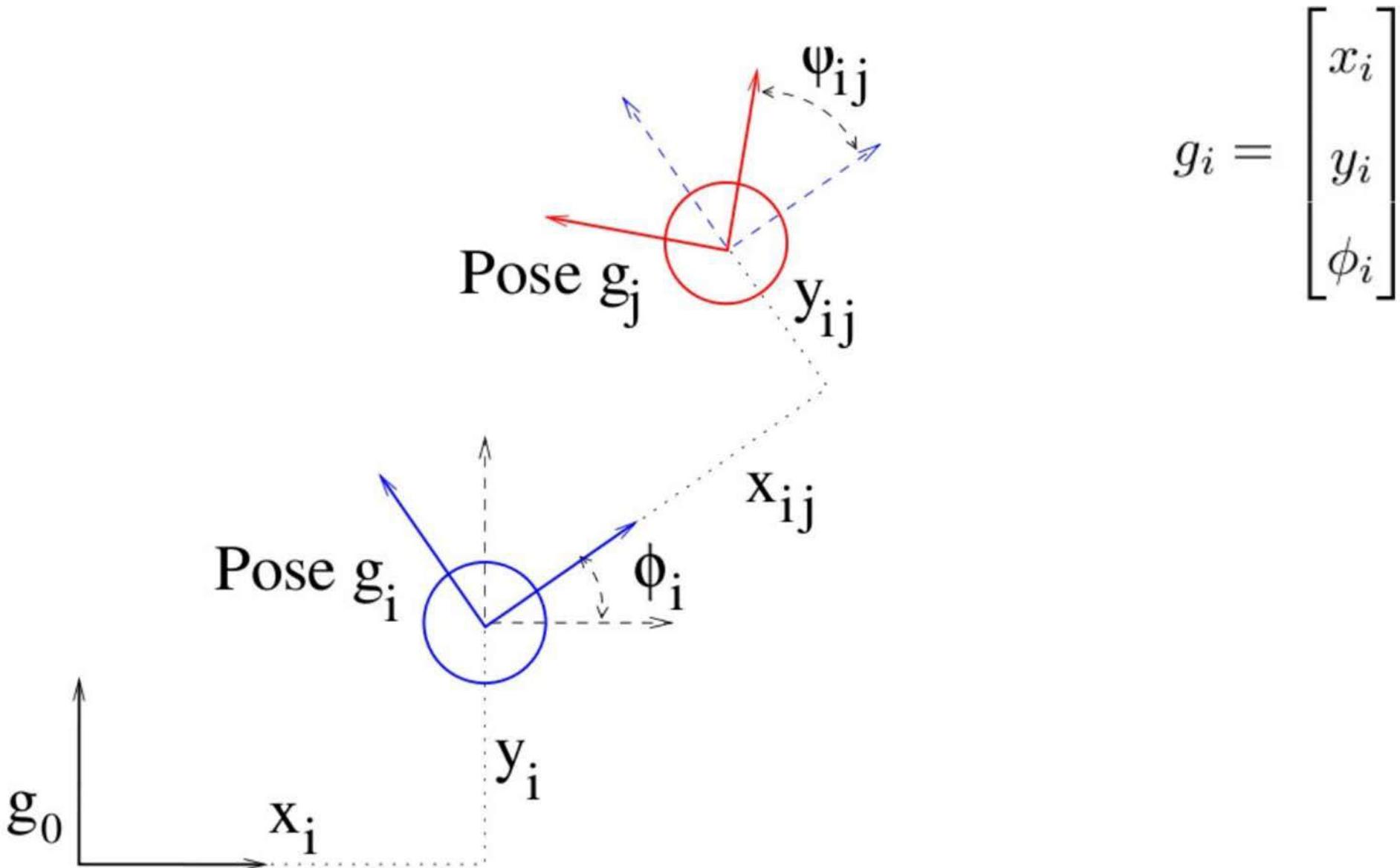


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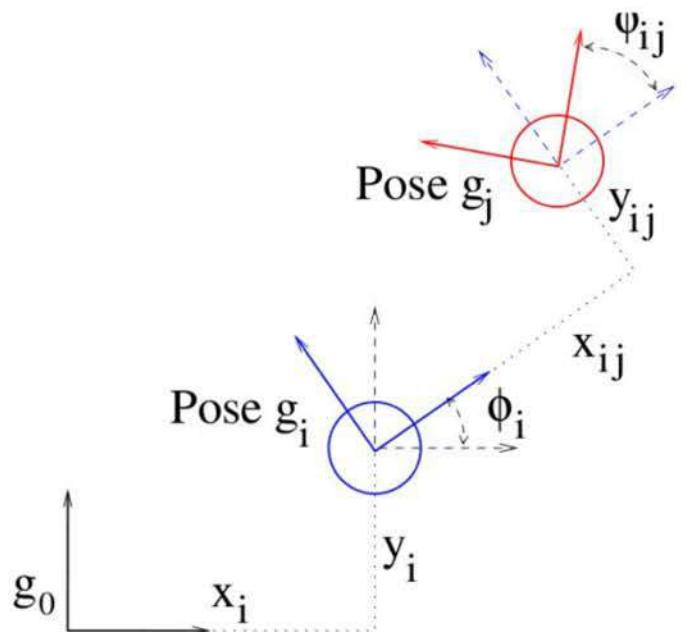
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Dead-reckoning



In more general form



$$g_{ij} = g_i^{-1} g_j = \begin{bmatrix} x_{ij} \\ y_{ij} \\ \phi_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Noise/Errors

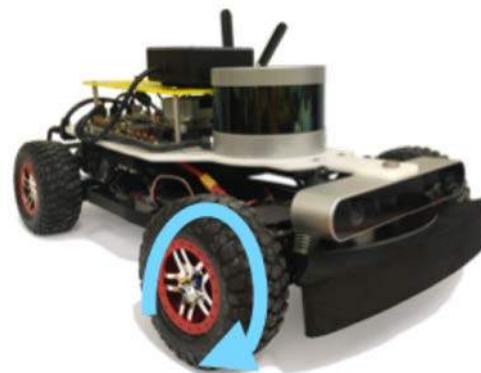
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Motion Integration

Odometry: Start at known pose and integrate control and motion measurements to estimate the current pose

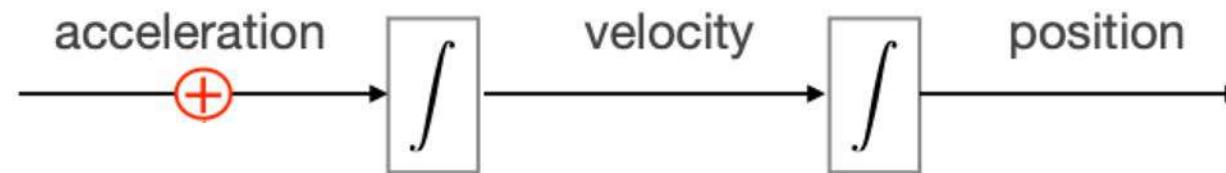
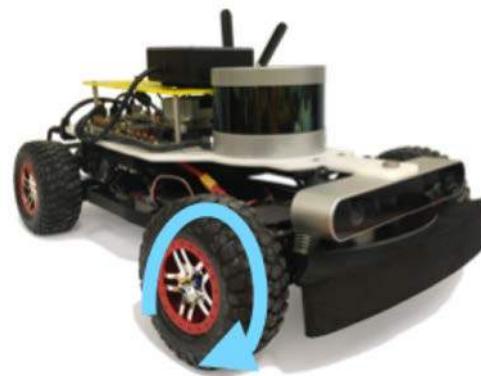
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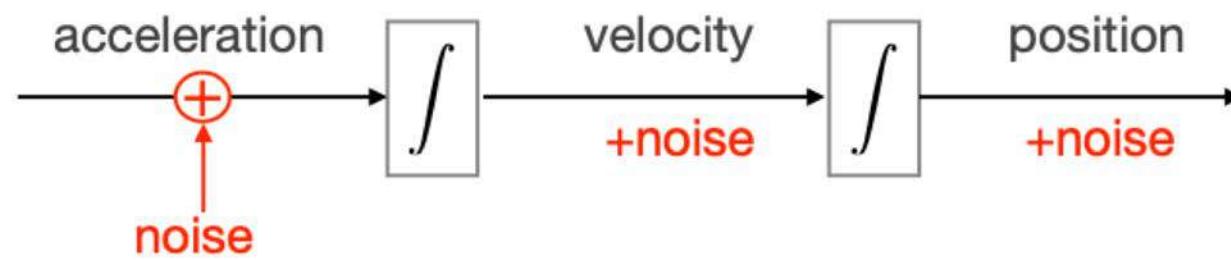
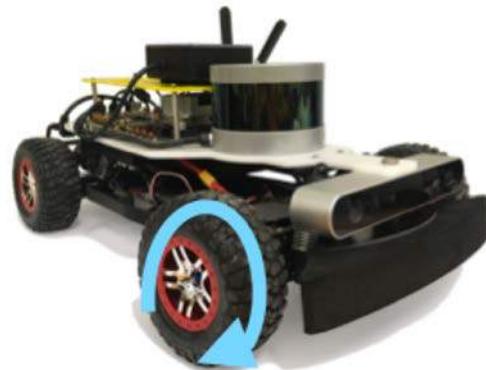


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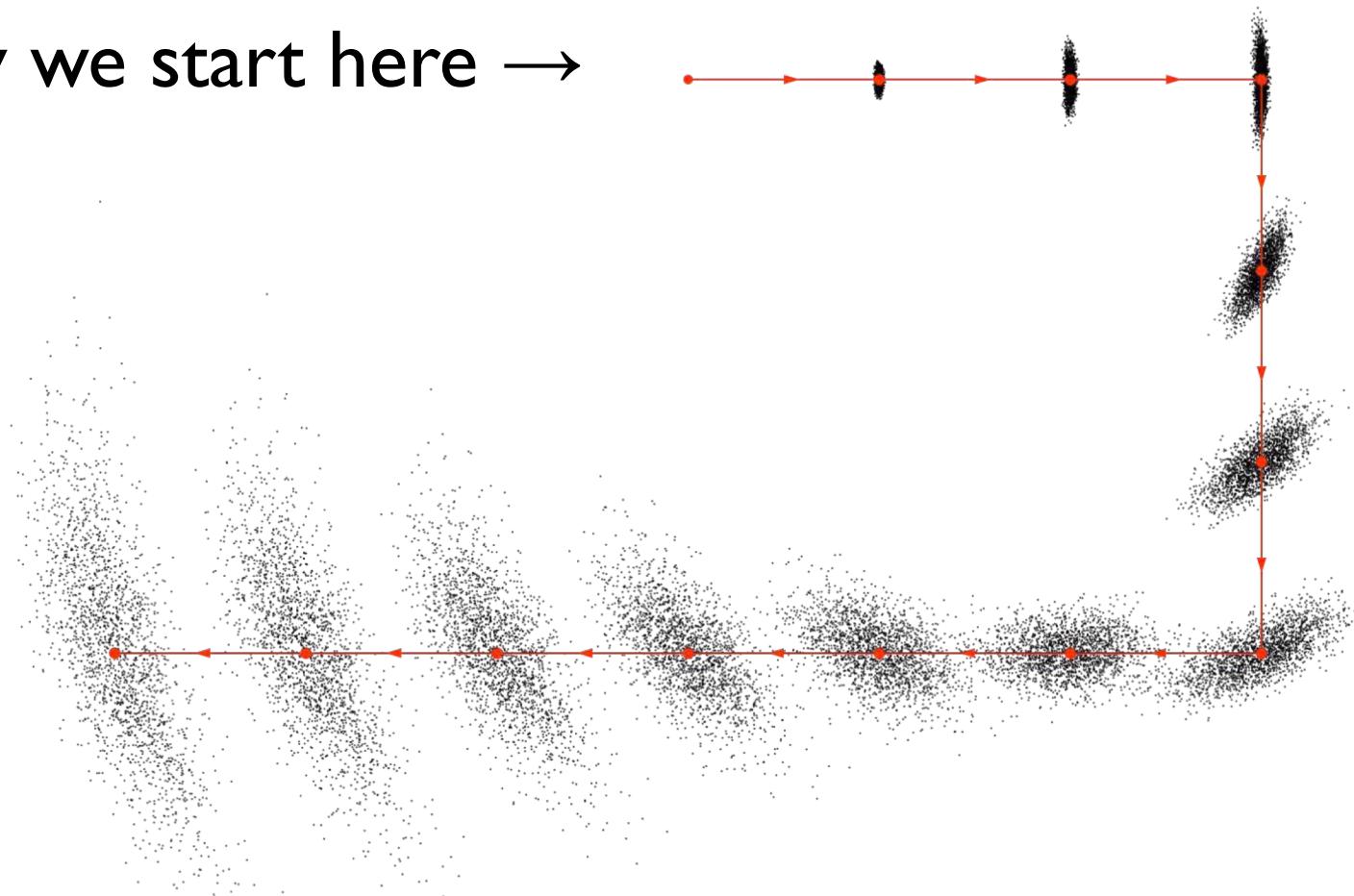


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Motion Integration

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Let's say we start here →



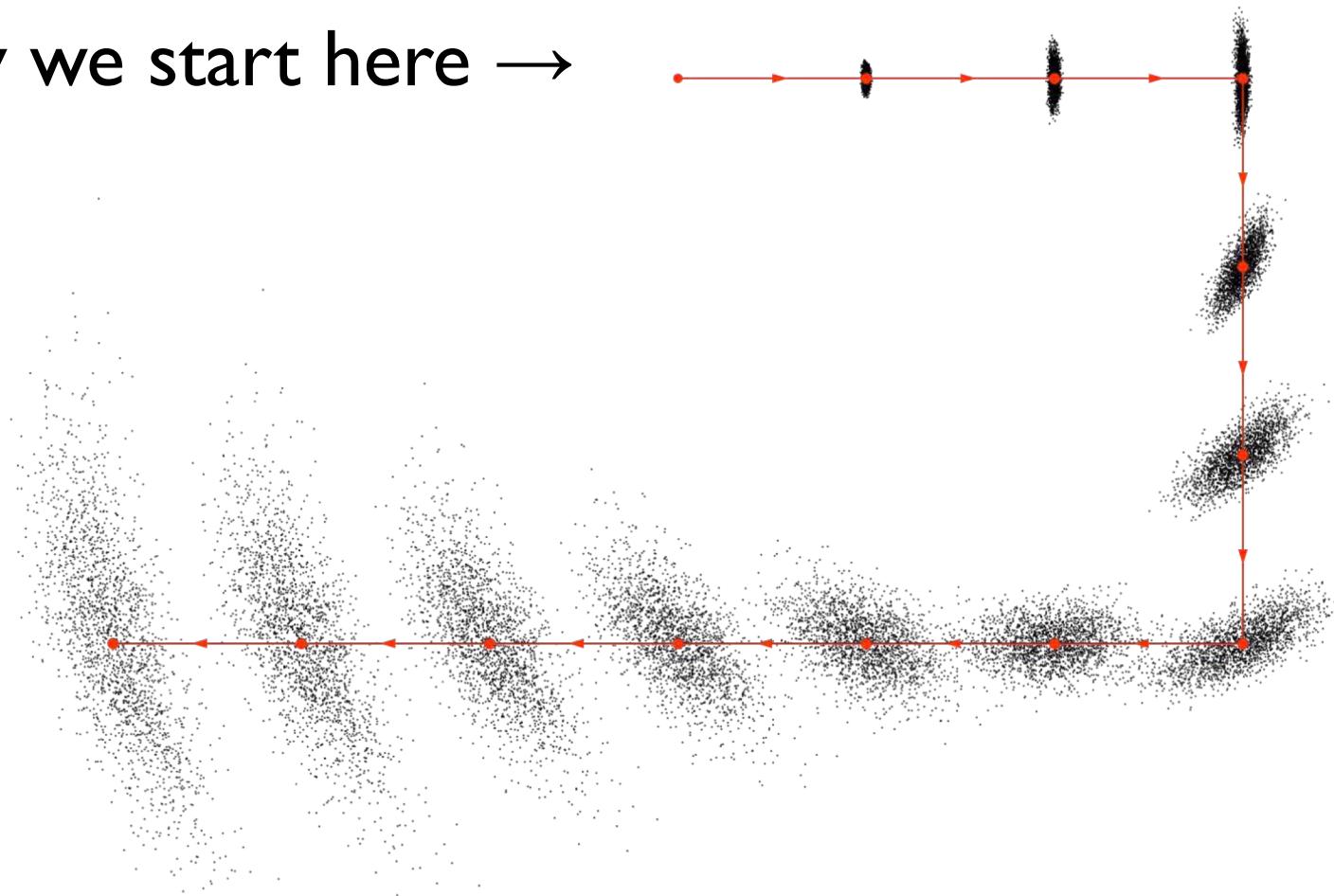
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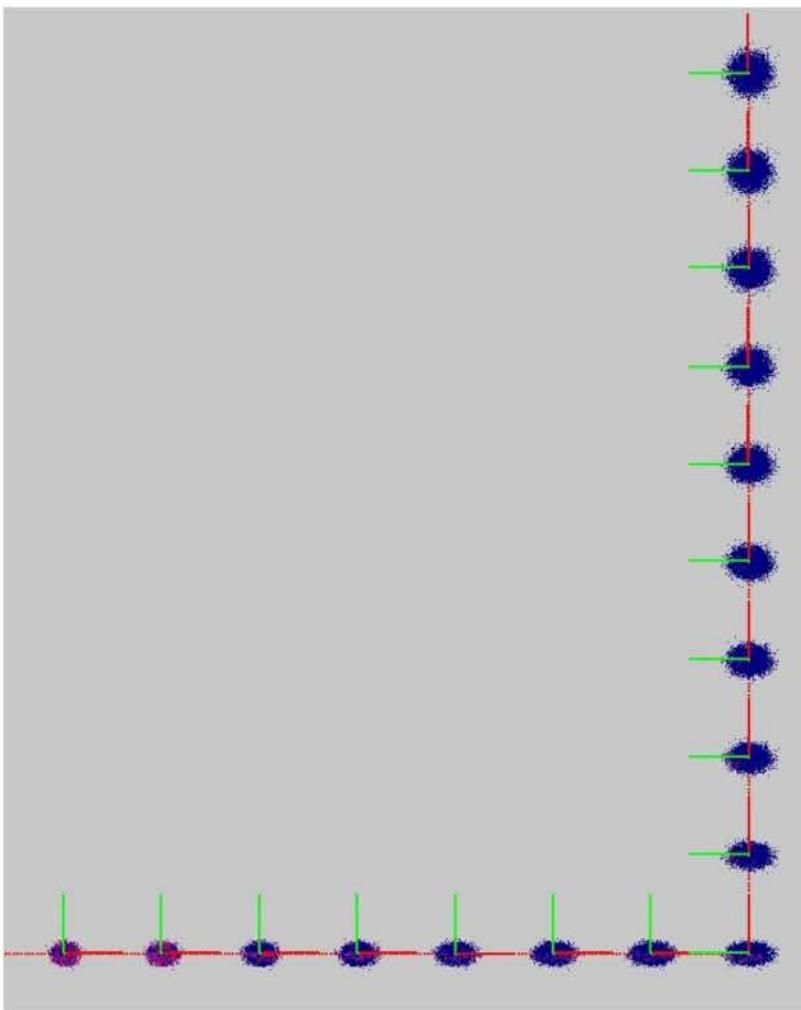
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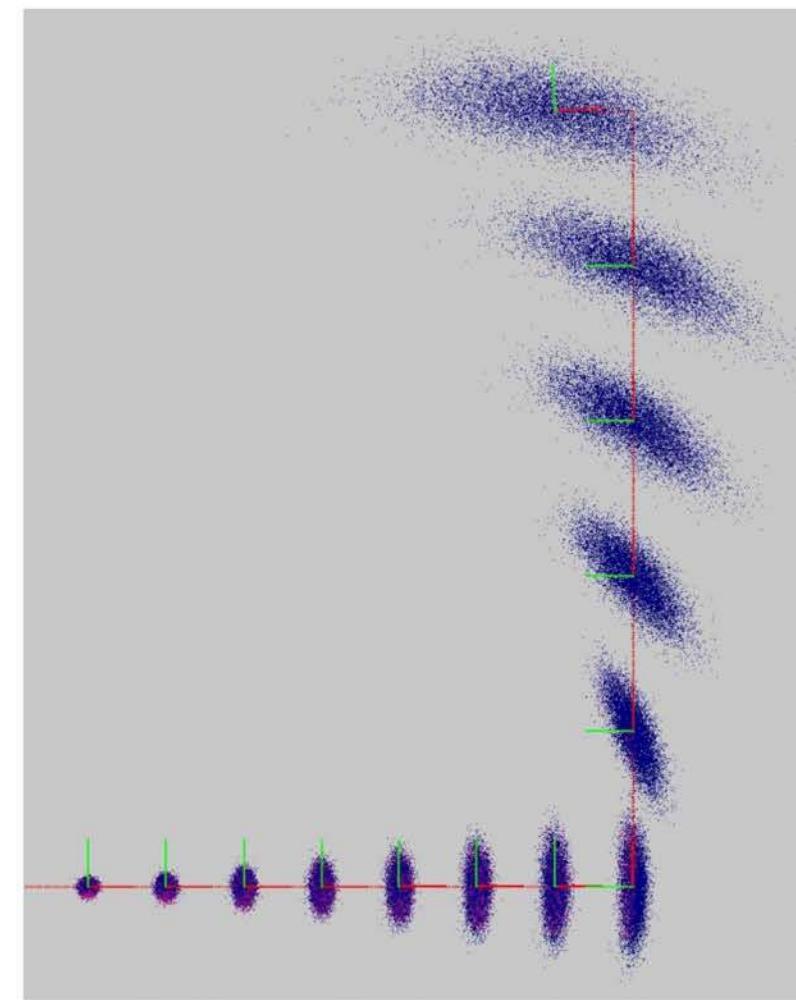
Notice how
uncertainty
increases →



Evolution of noise



No heading error

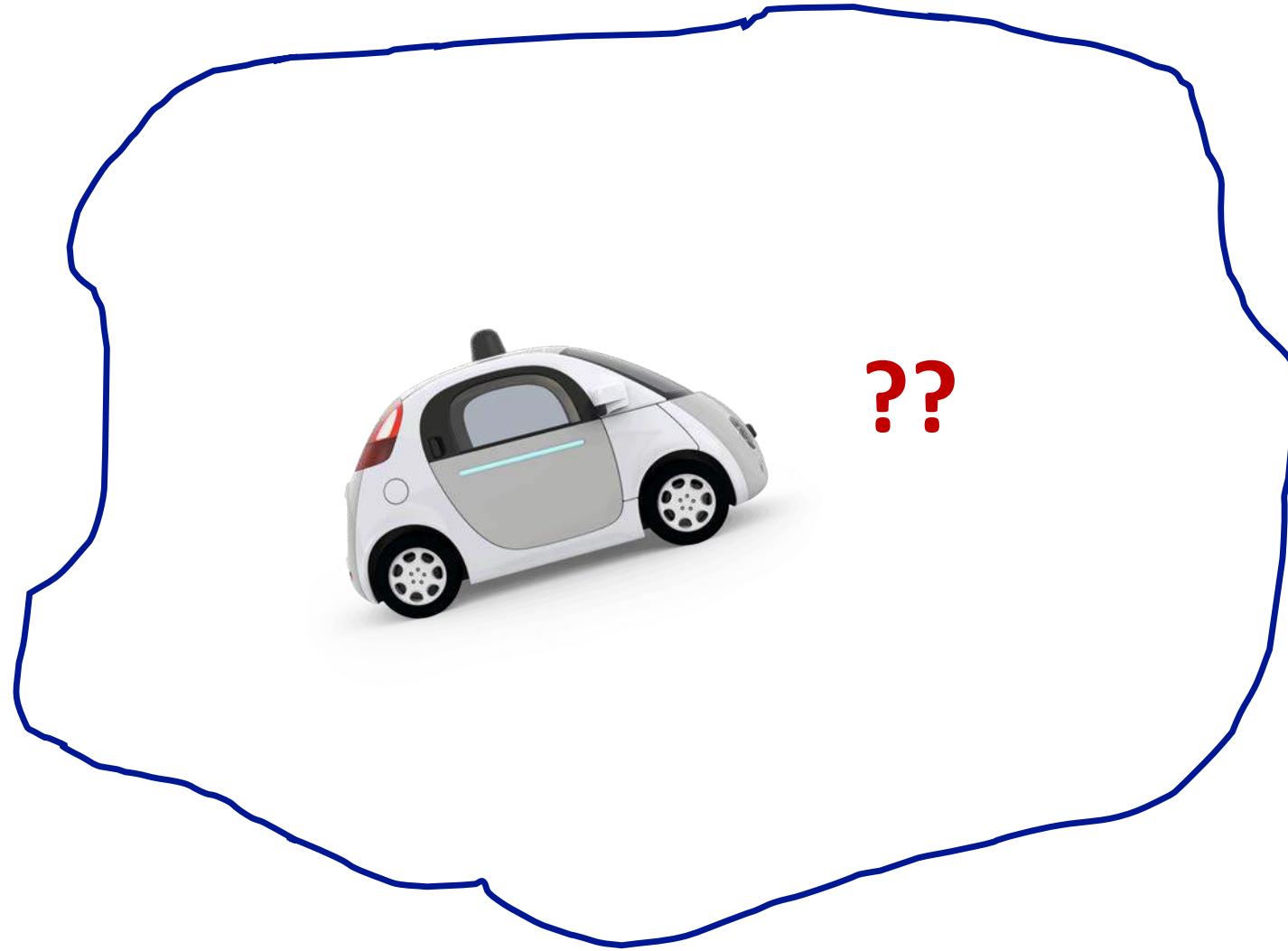


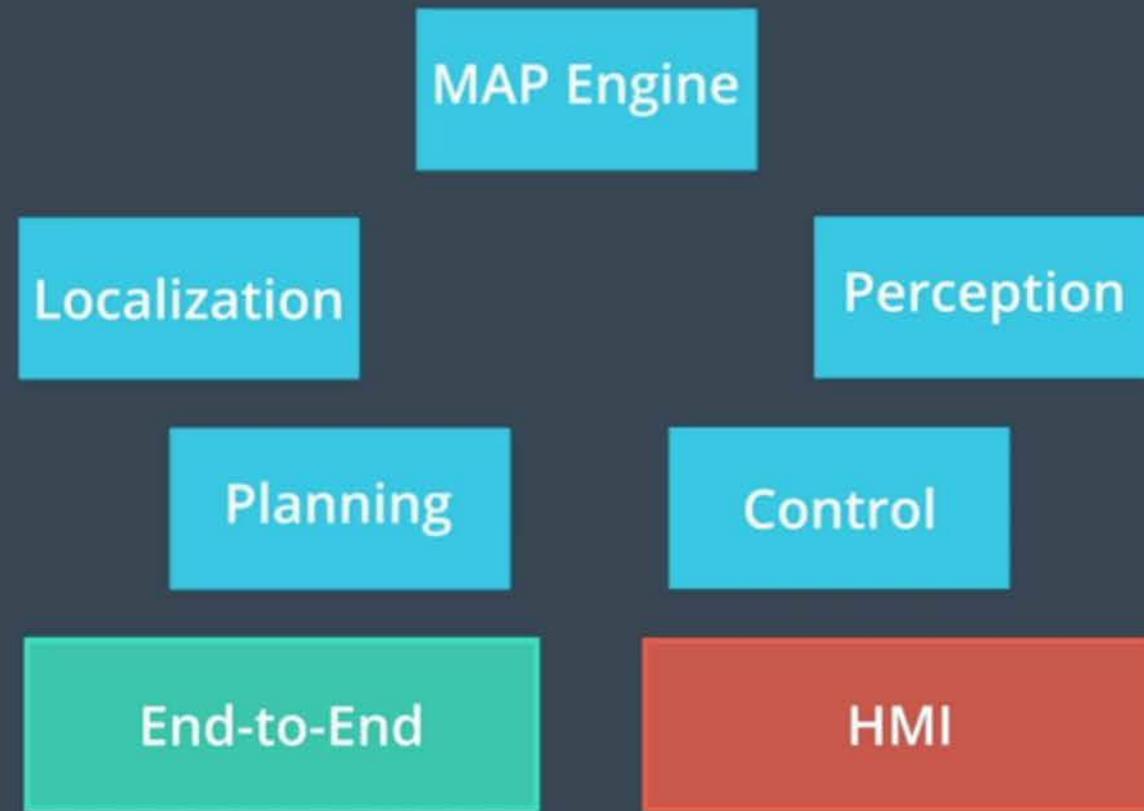
With heading error

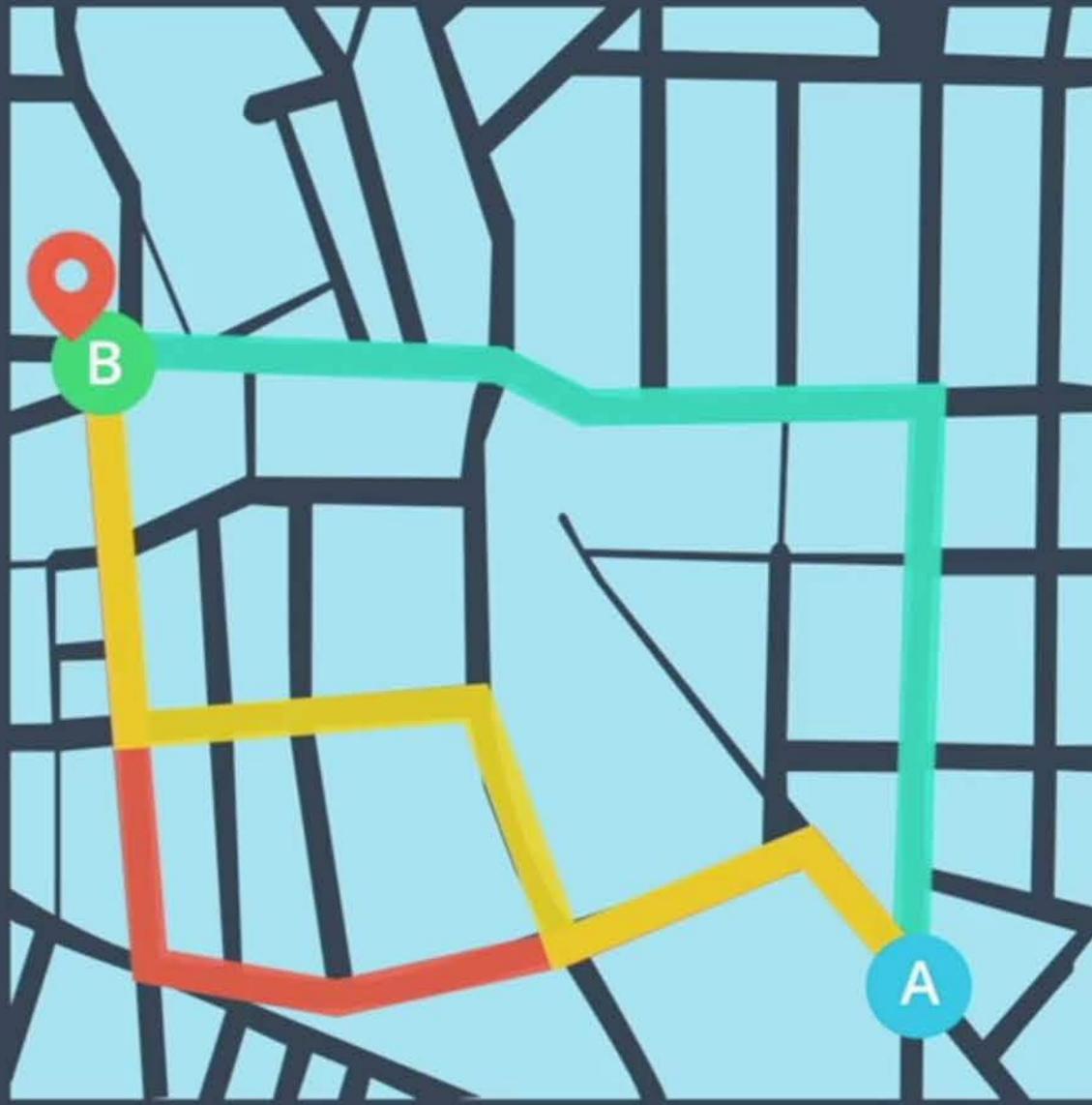
Beyond odometry

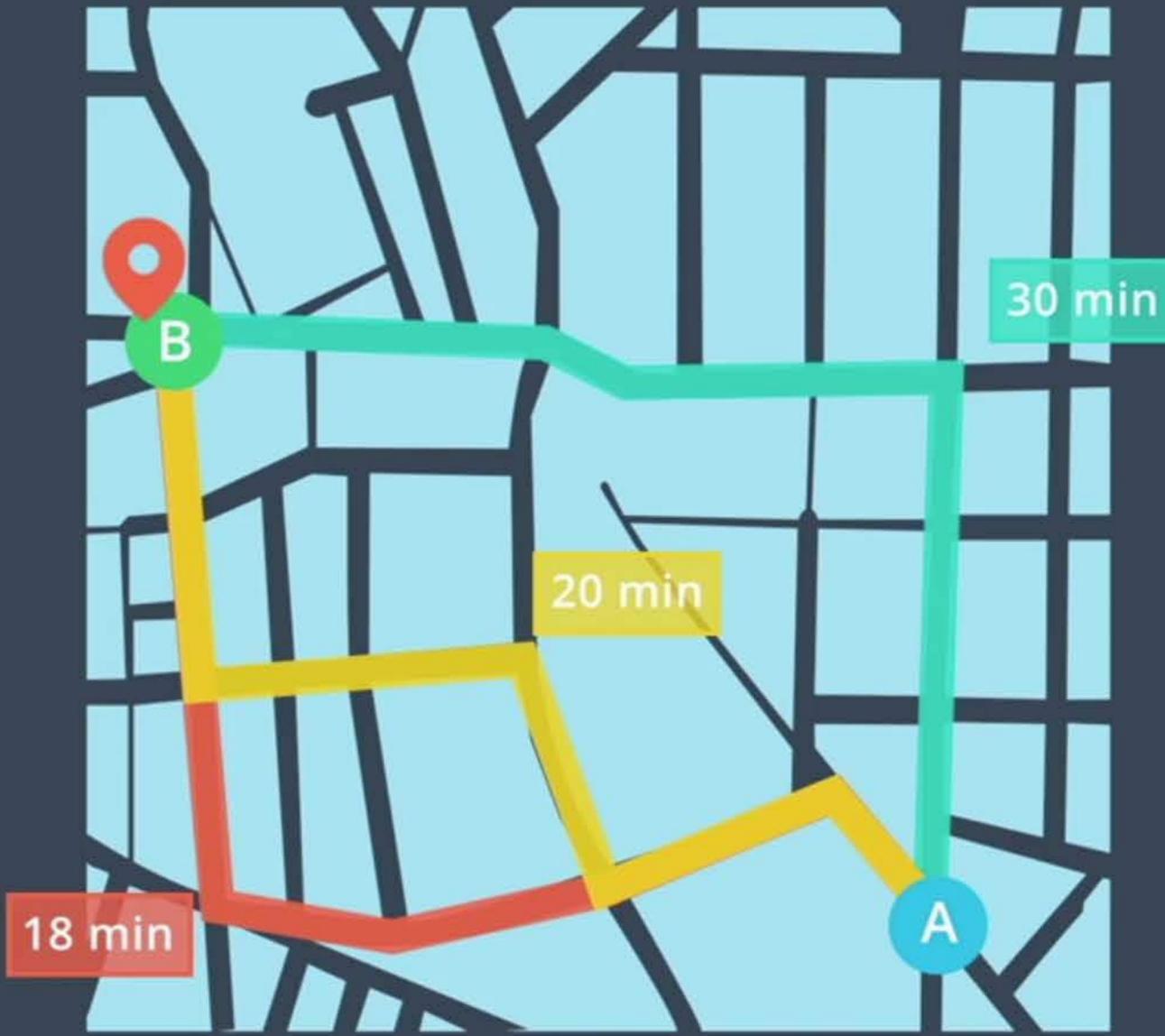
- Using odometry for localization is known as “dead reckoning” in aircraft and maritime navigation
- How do we utilize that information, such as range sensor measurements to localize?

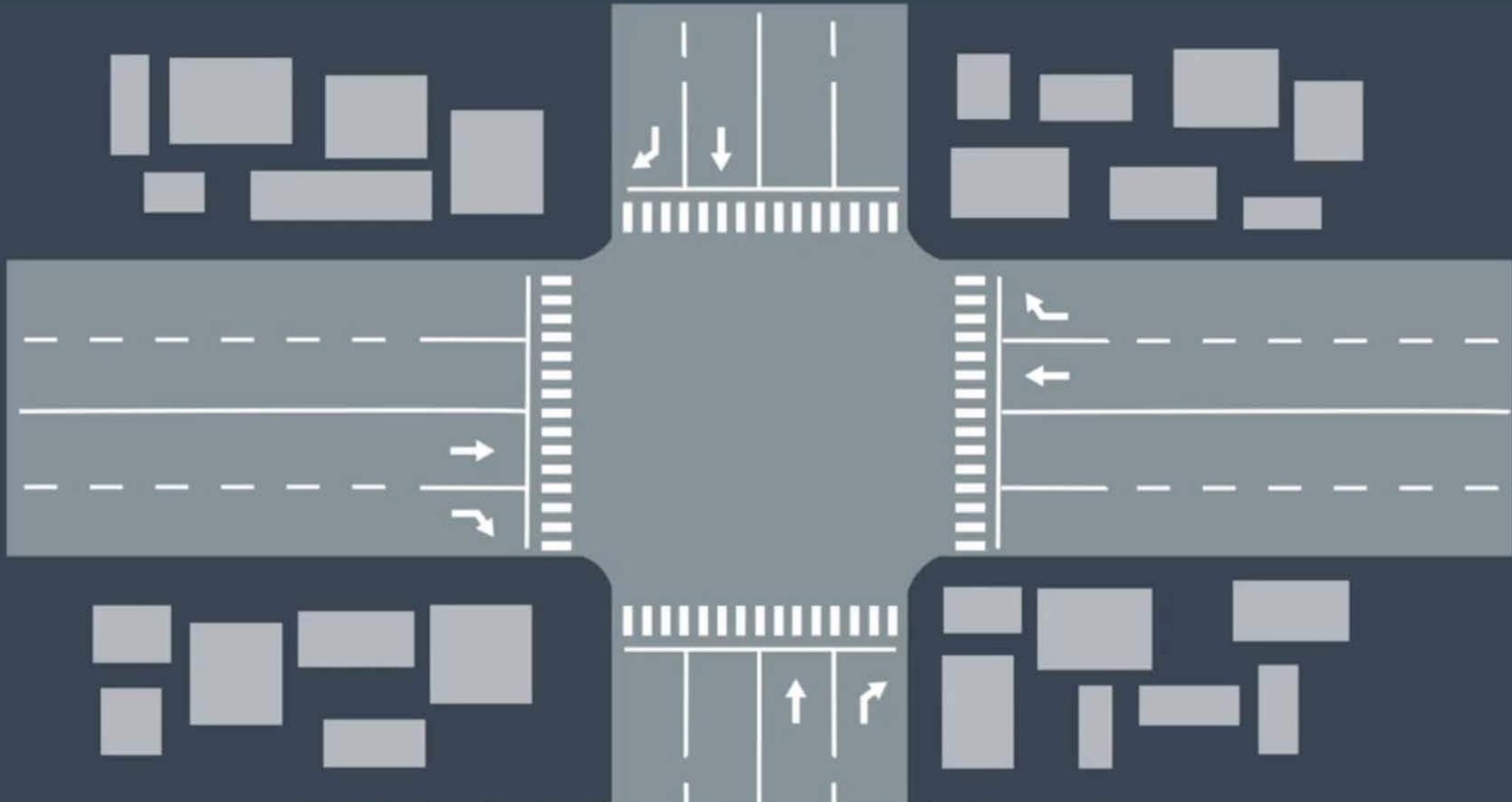
How can we know where we are with 10cm level accuracy ?







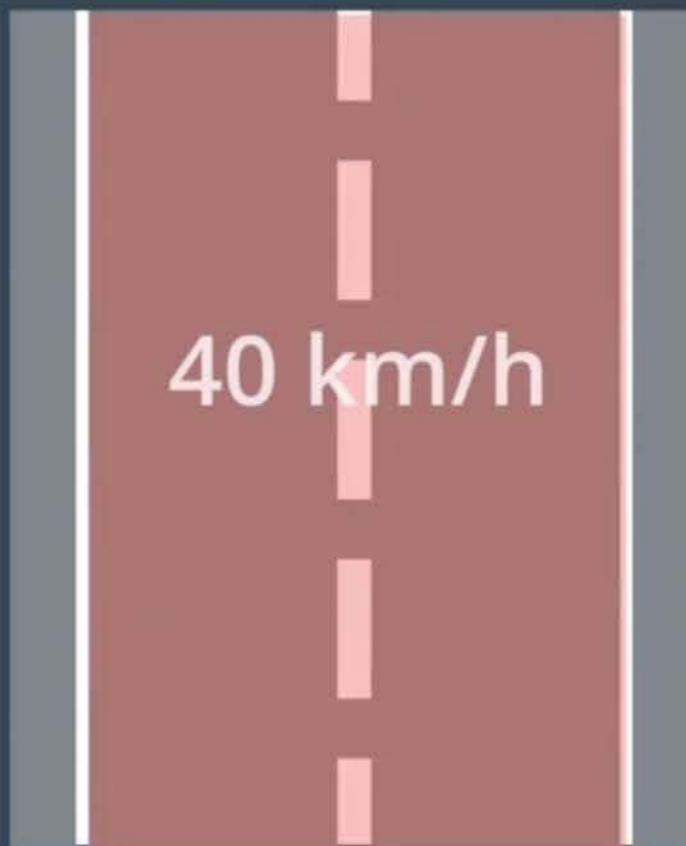


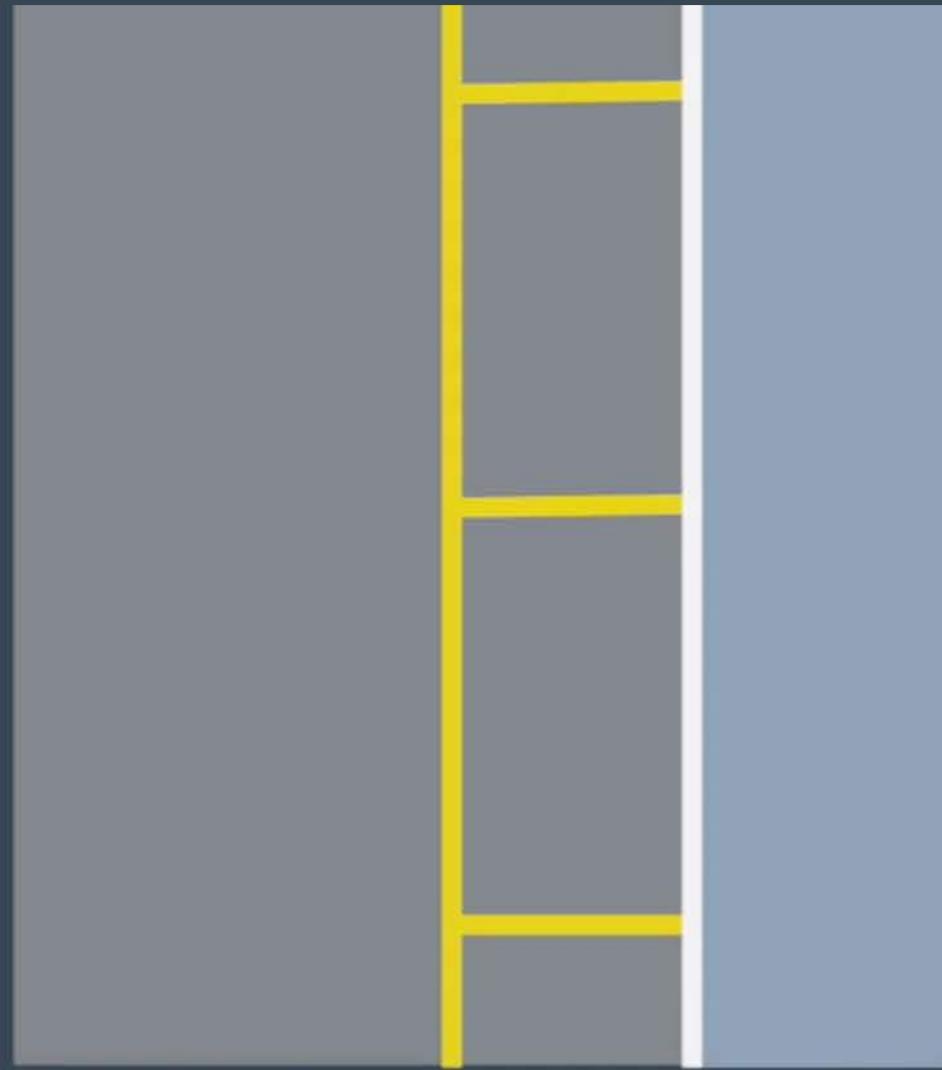


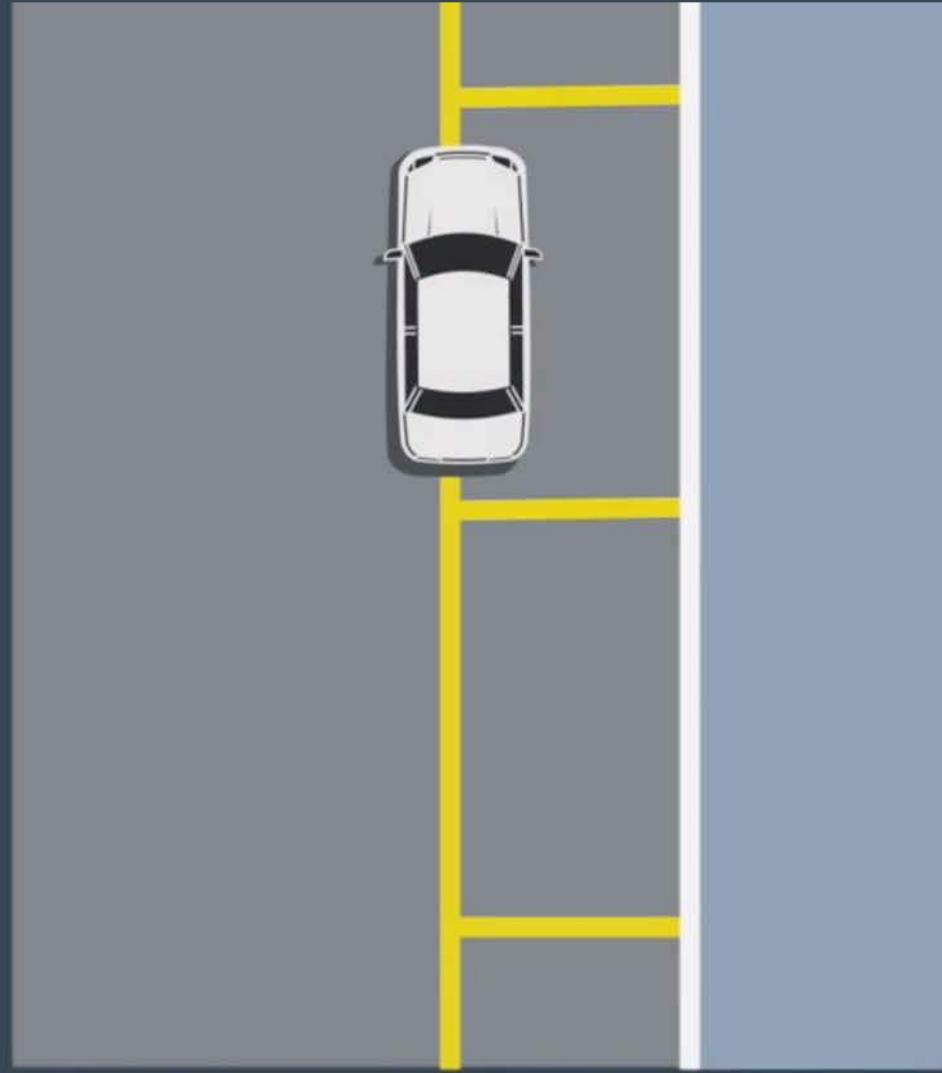
A high definition map contains a huge amount of driving assistance information.



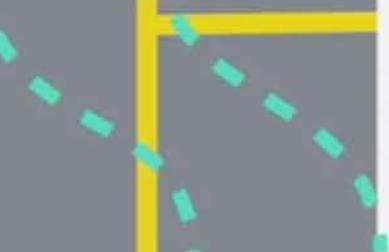
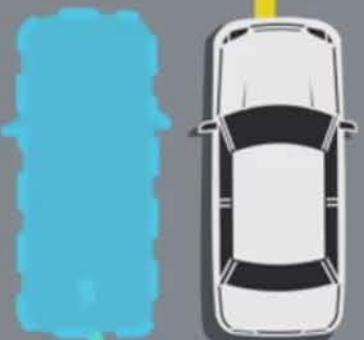
A high definition map also contains a lot of semantic information.

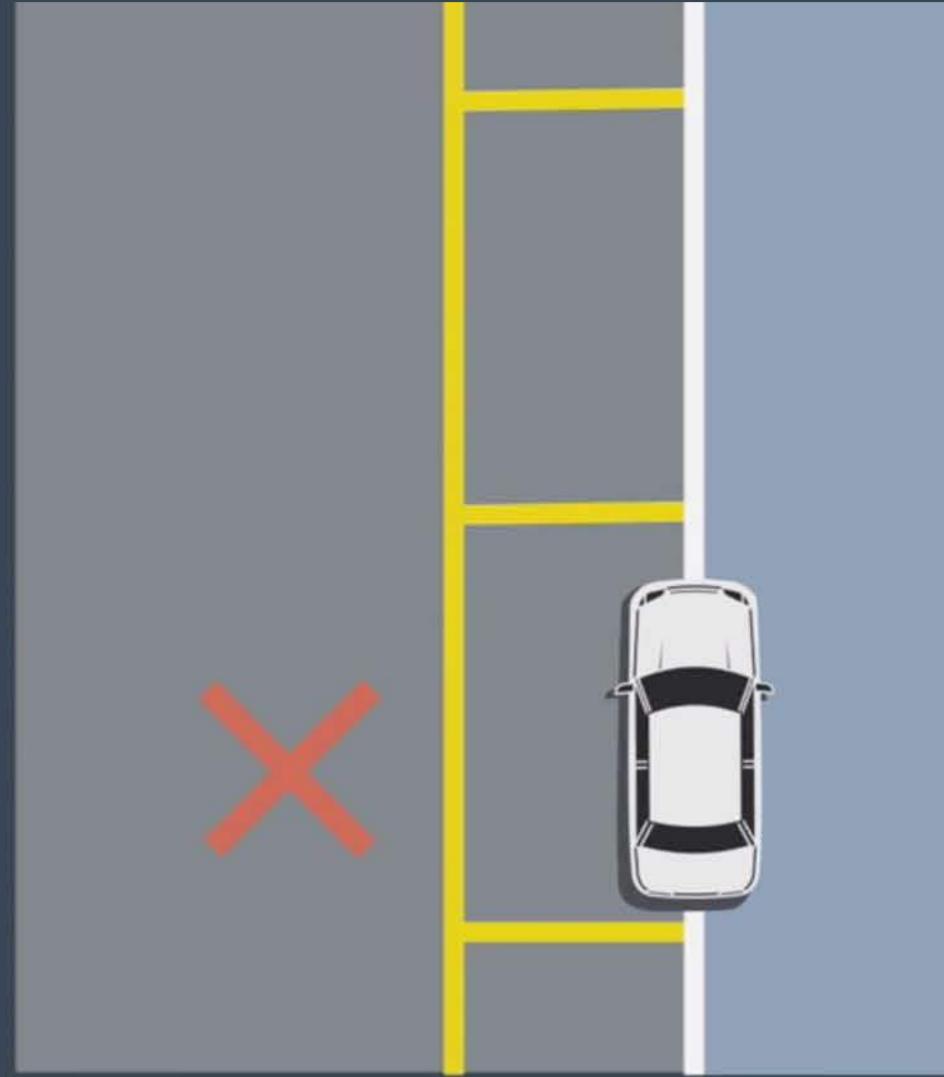






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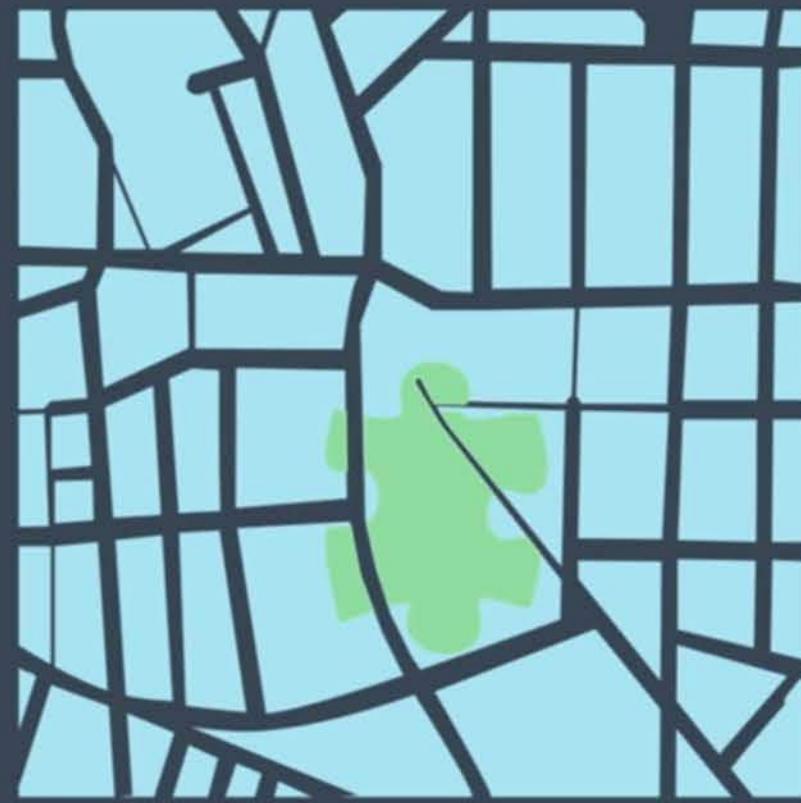


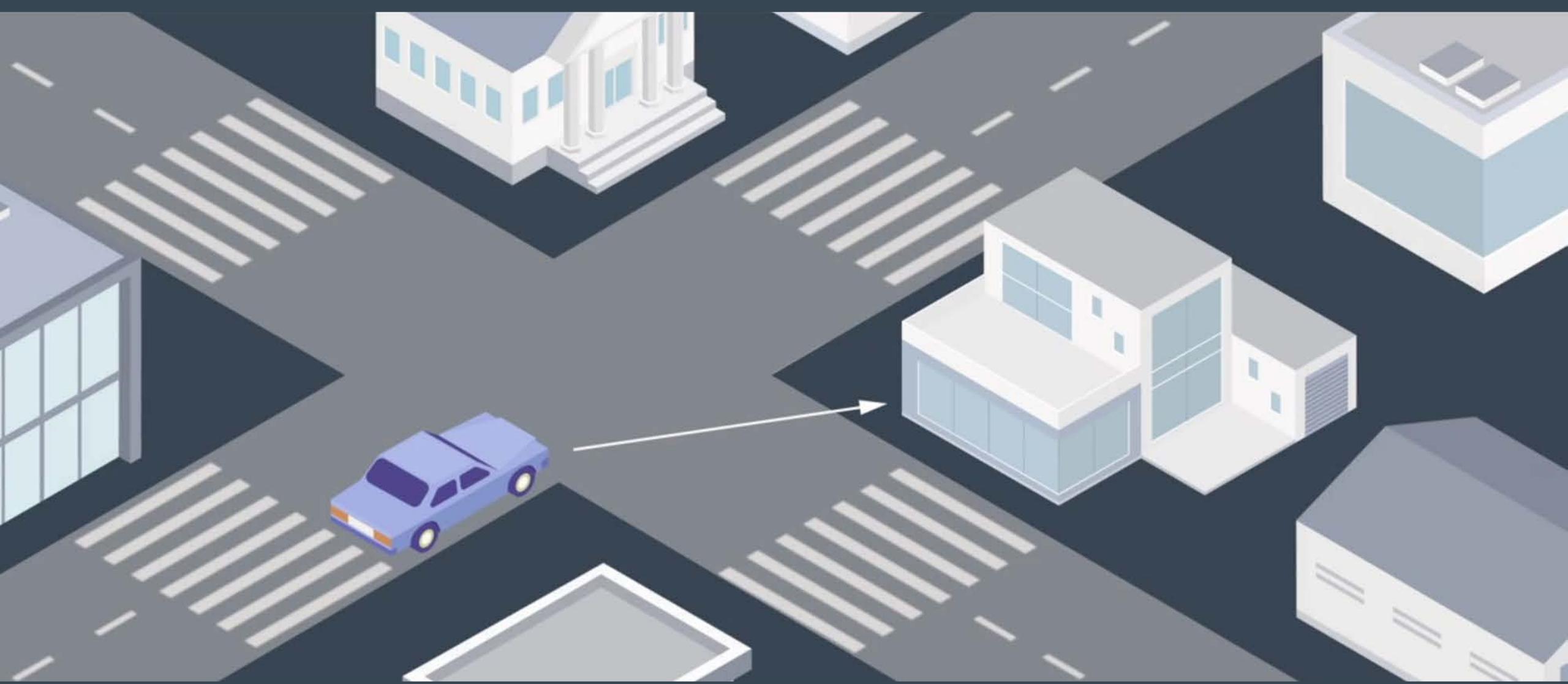
Localization And Scan Matching

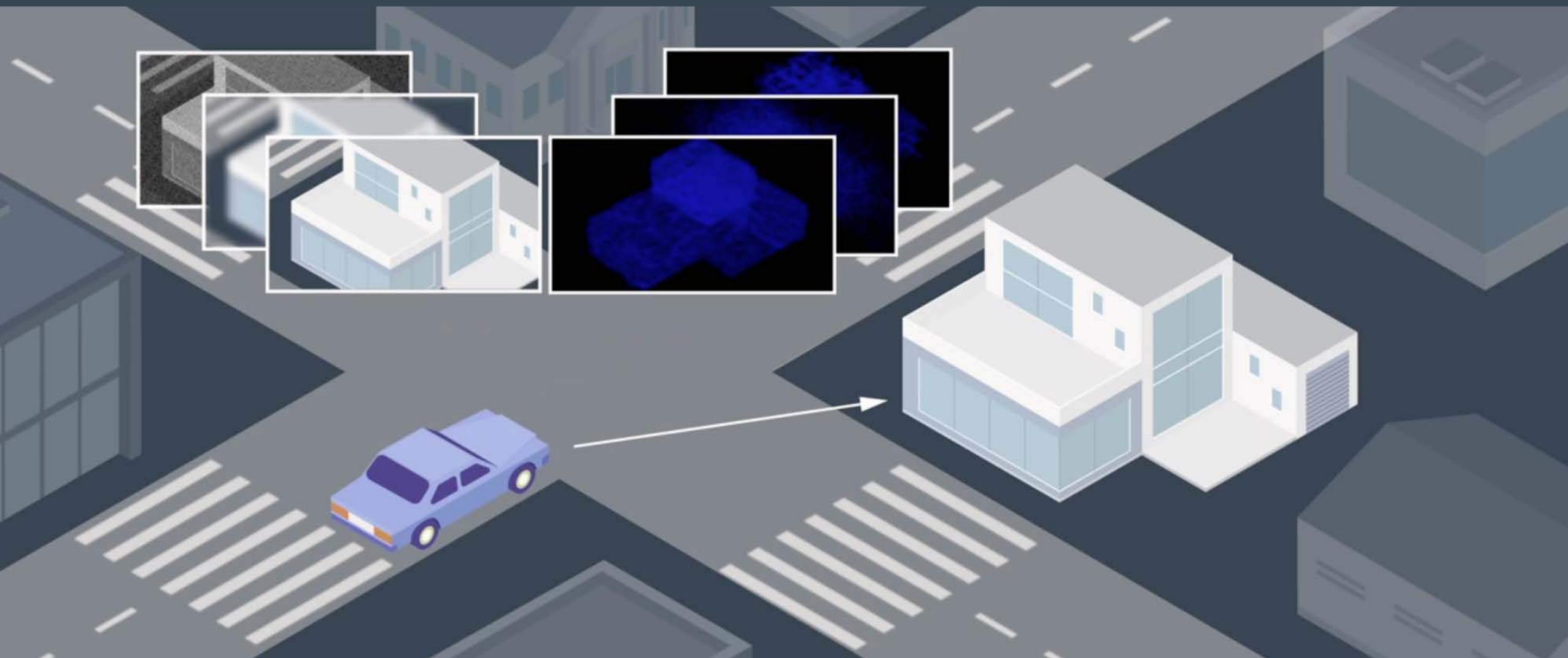


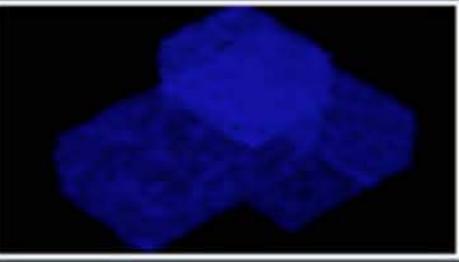
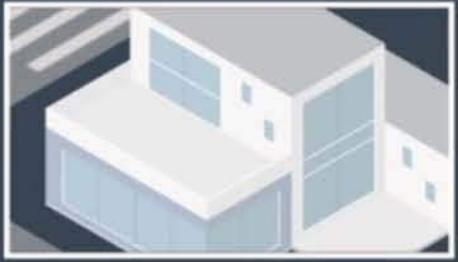
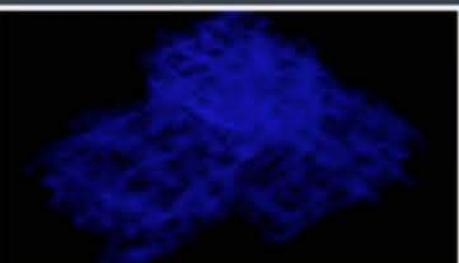
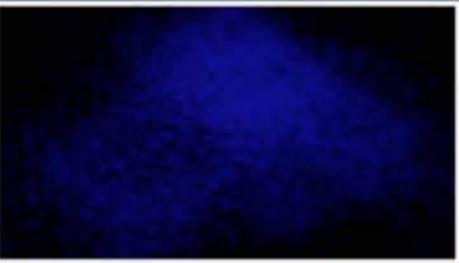
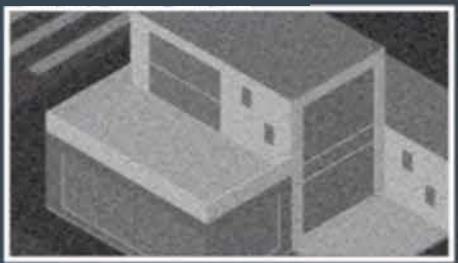


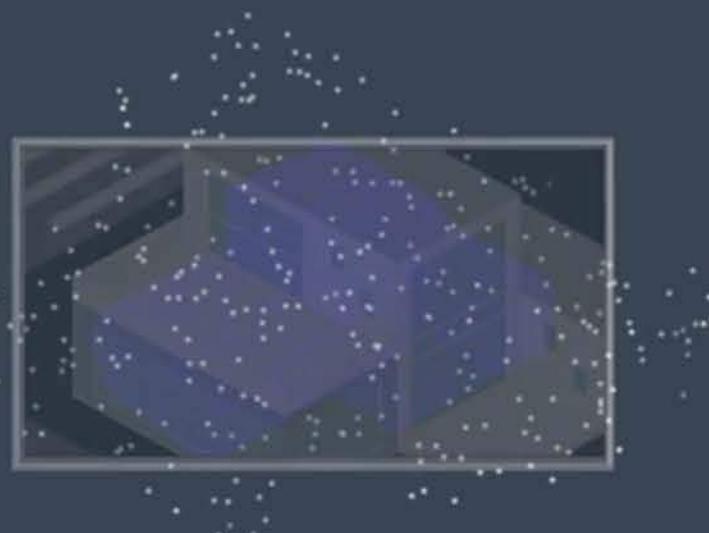




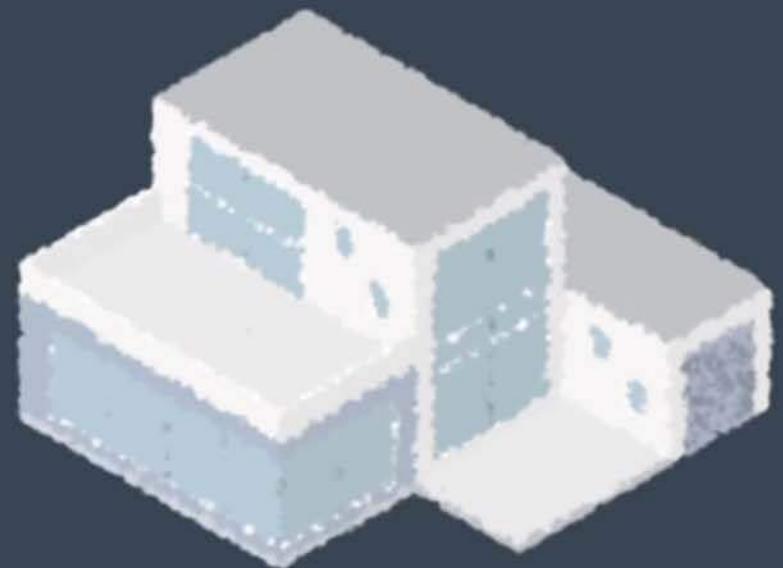


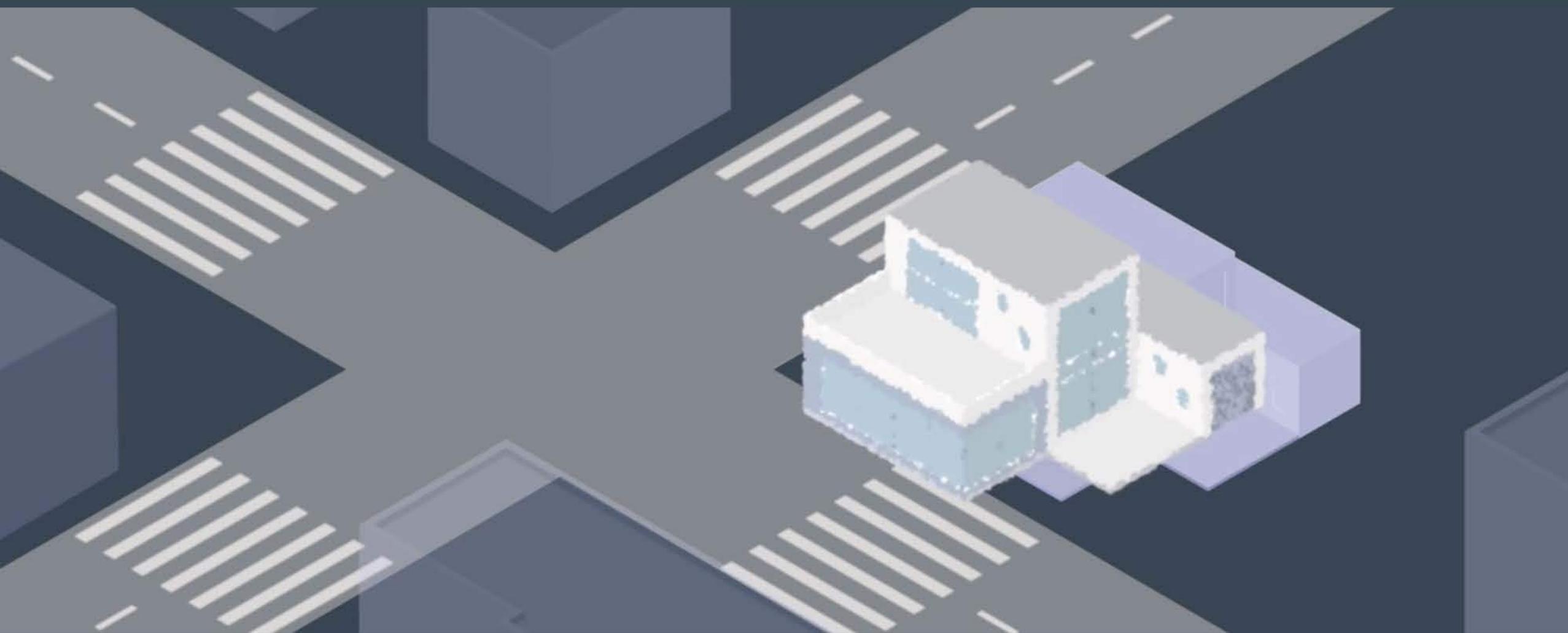


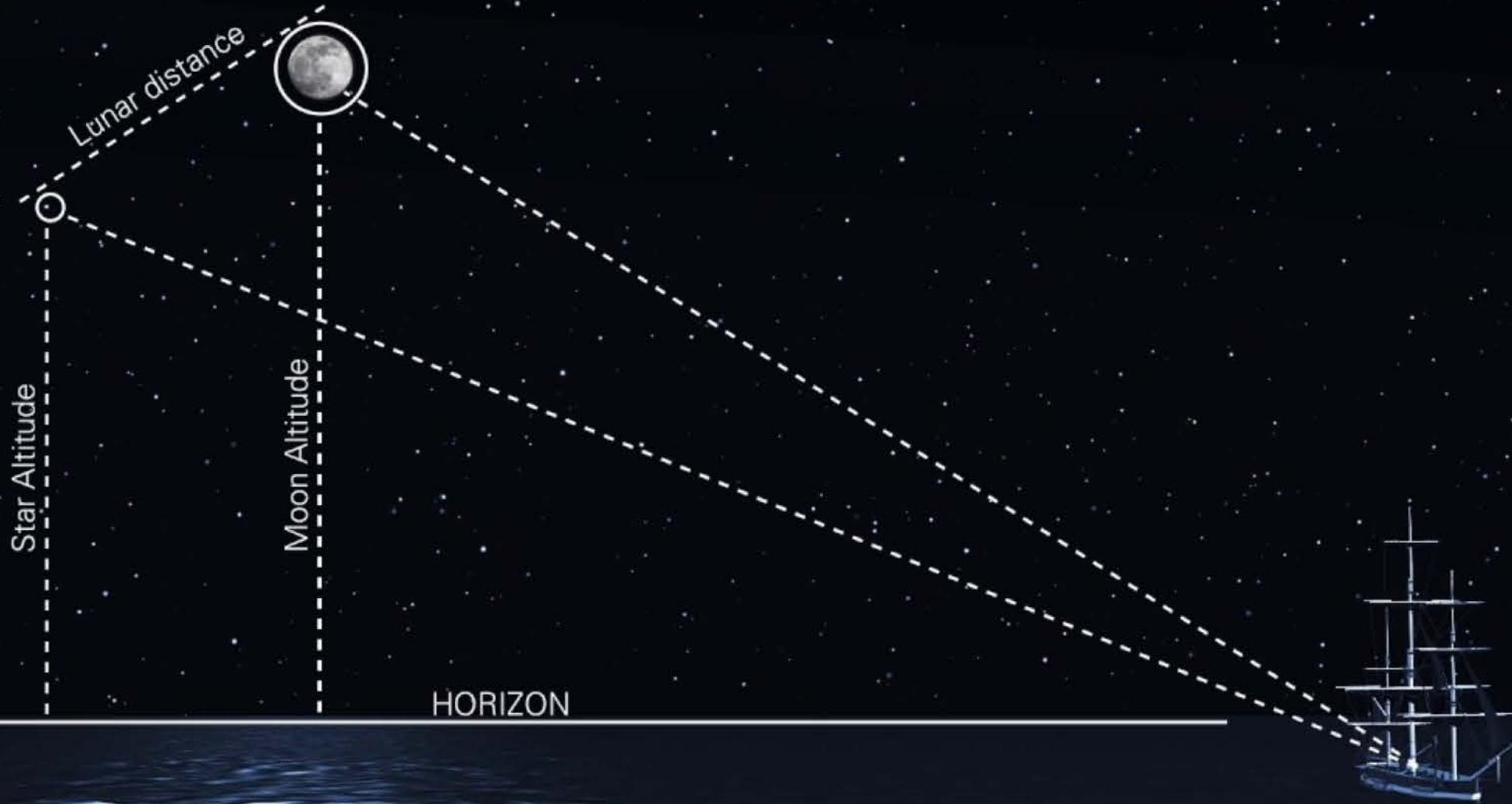




Data fusion merges data from different vehicles and different types of sensors.







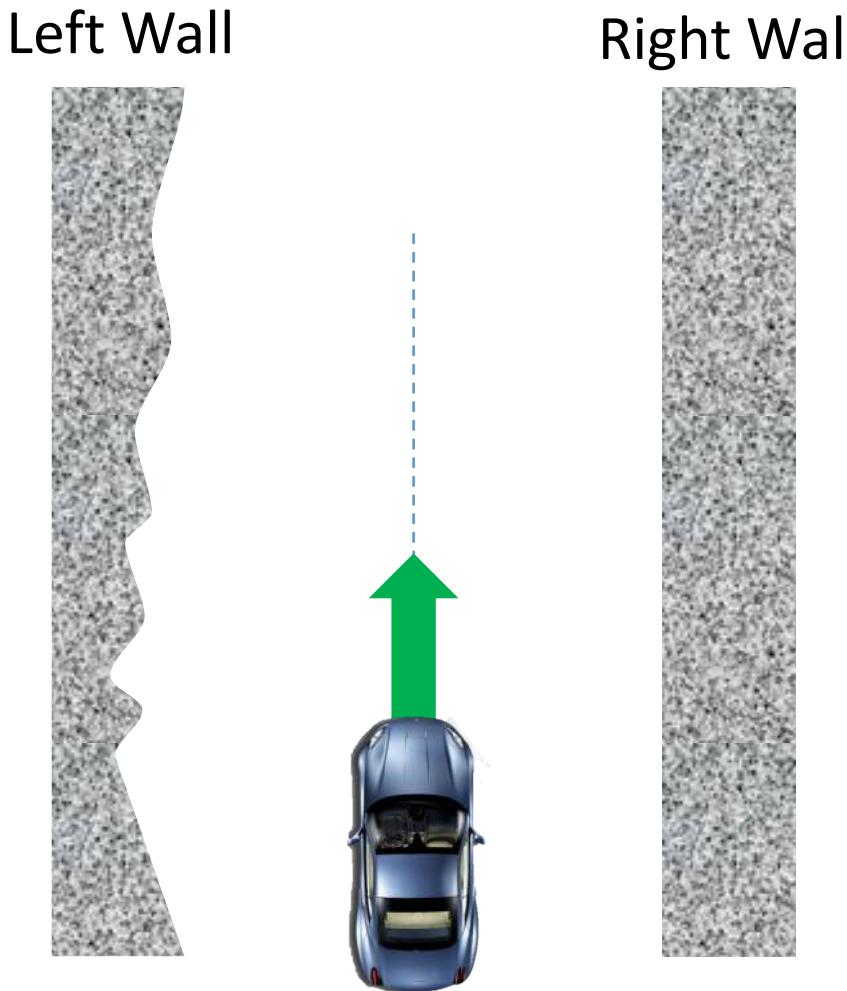
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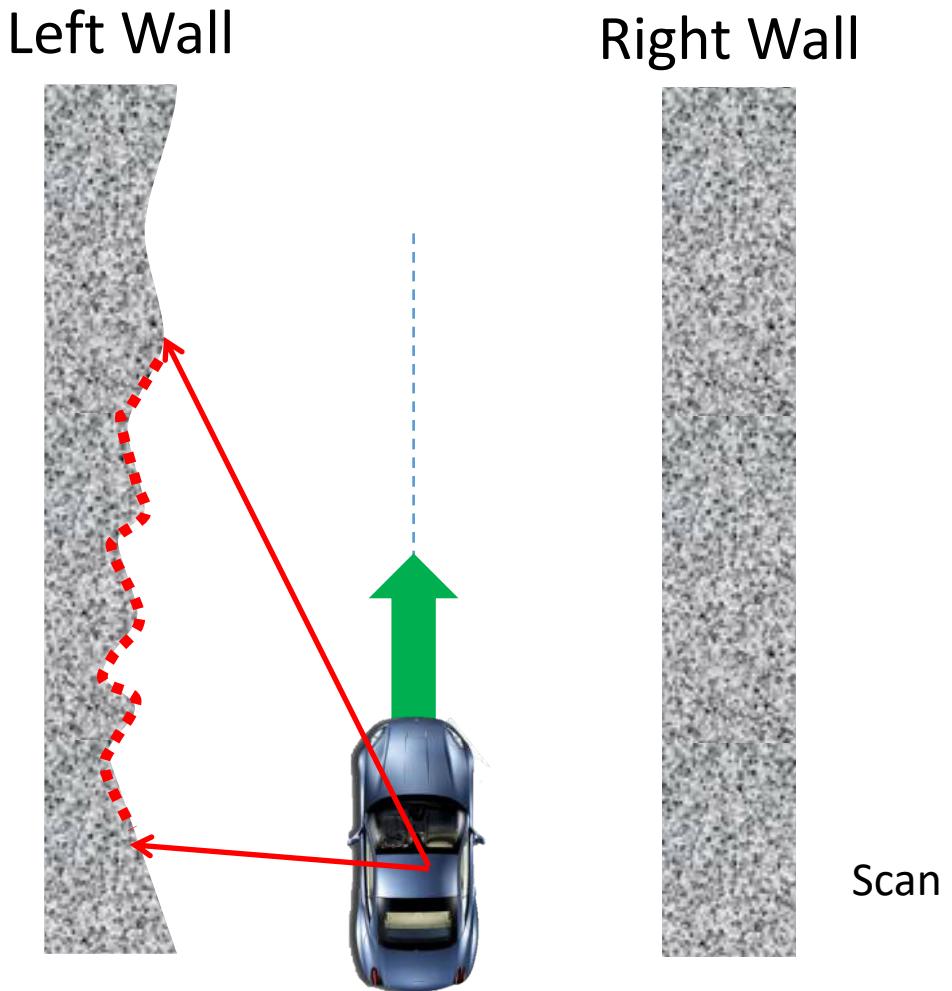
Odometry with LIDAR

- Odometry = Estimation of position (x, y, z) and attitude (θ, φ, ψ)
- In what follows, will use “position” as short for “position and attitude”

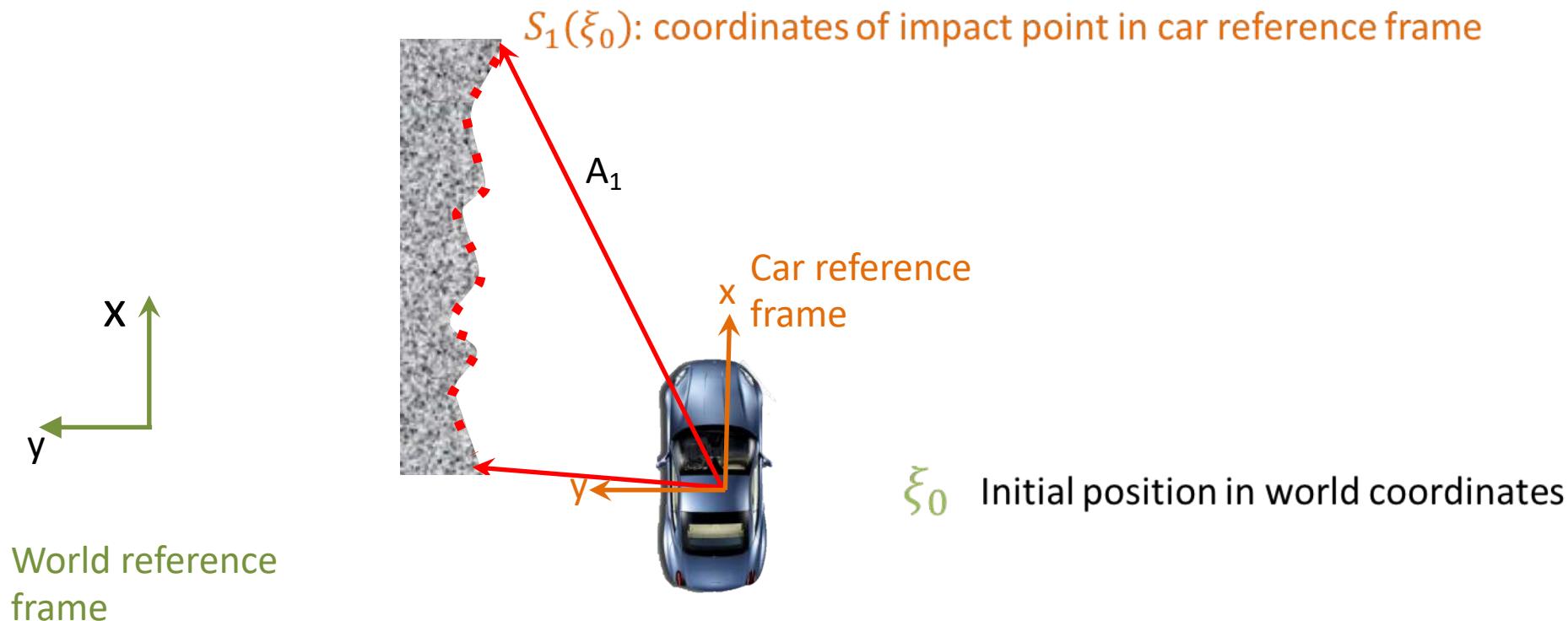
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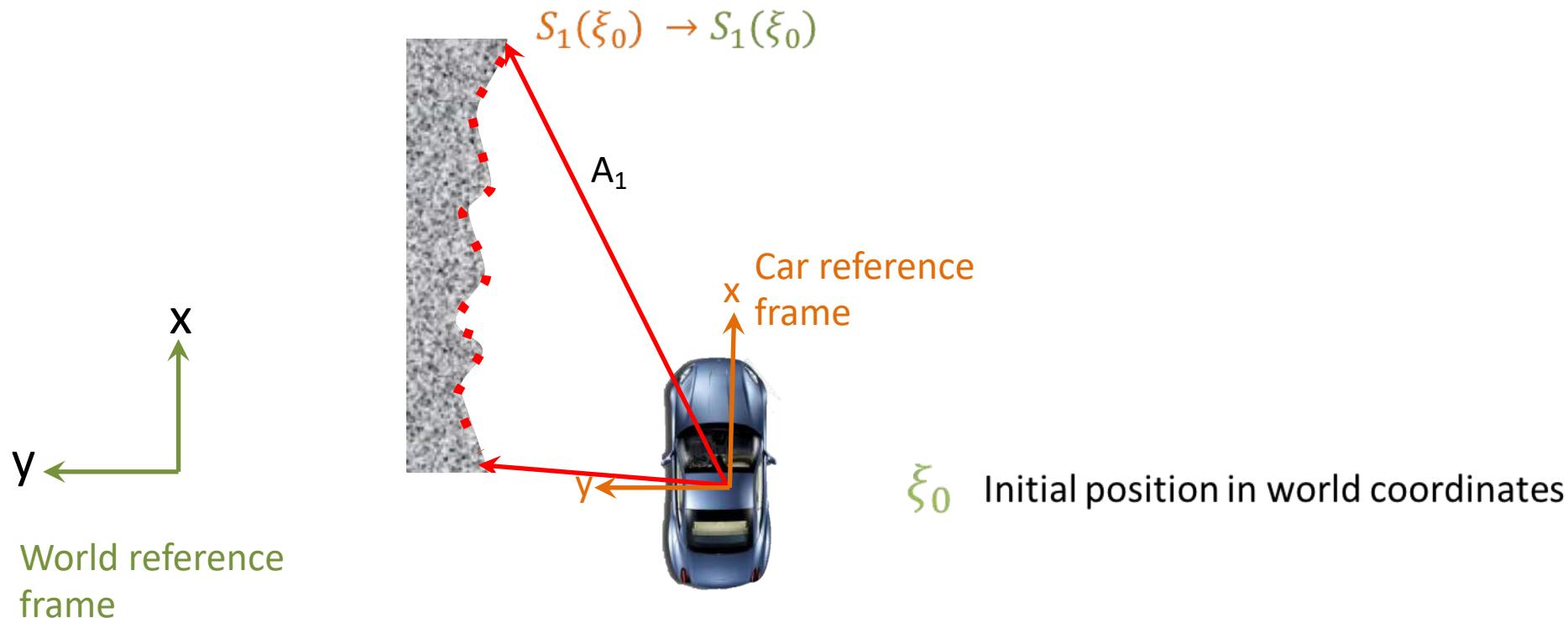
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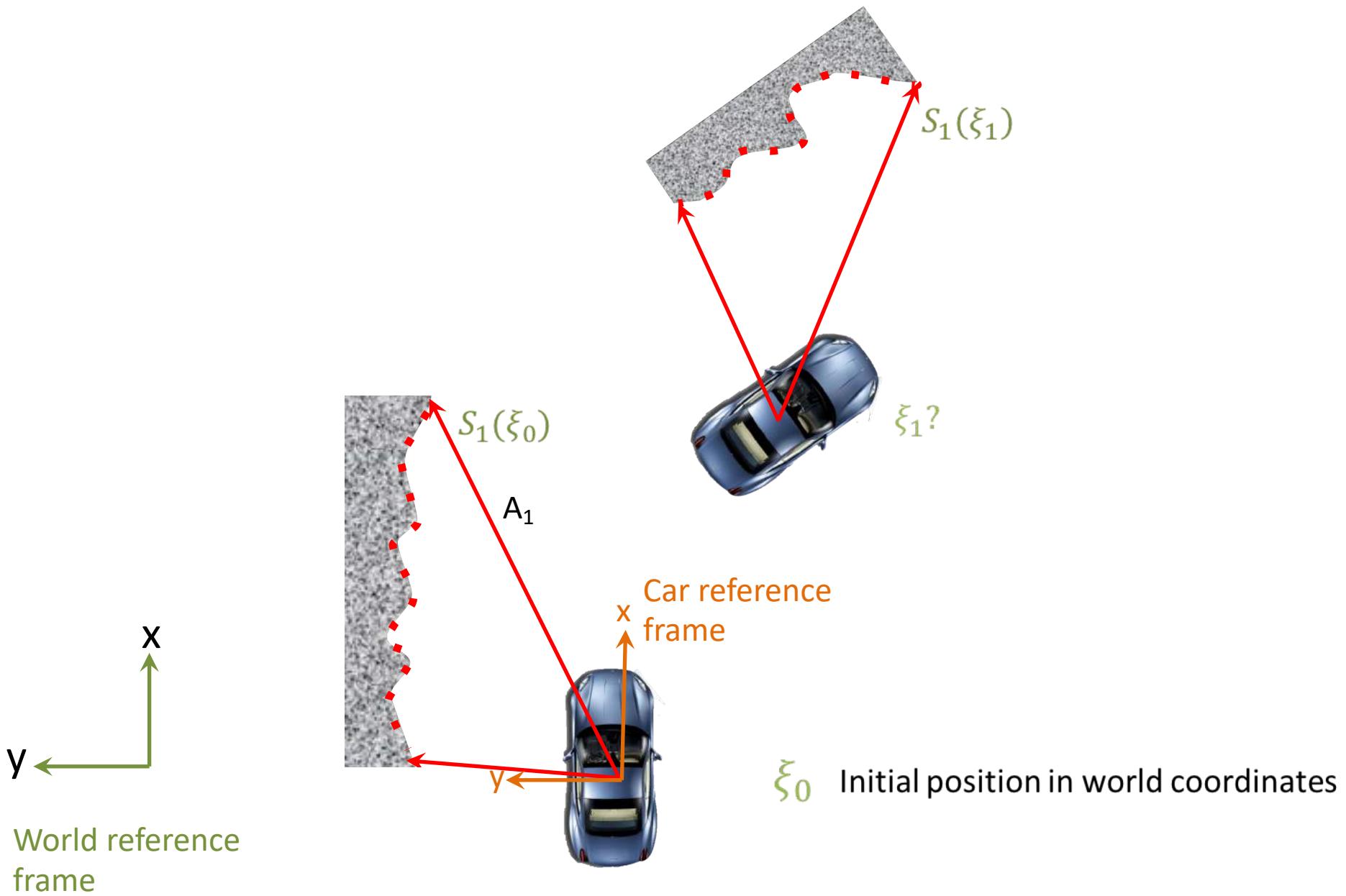


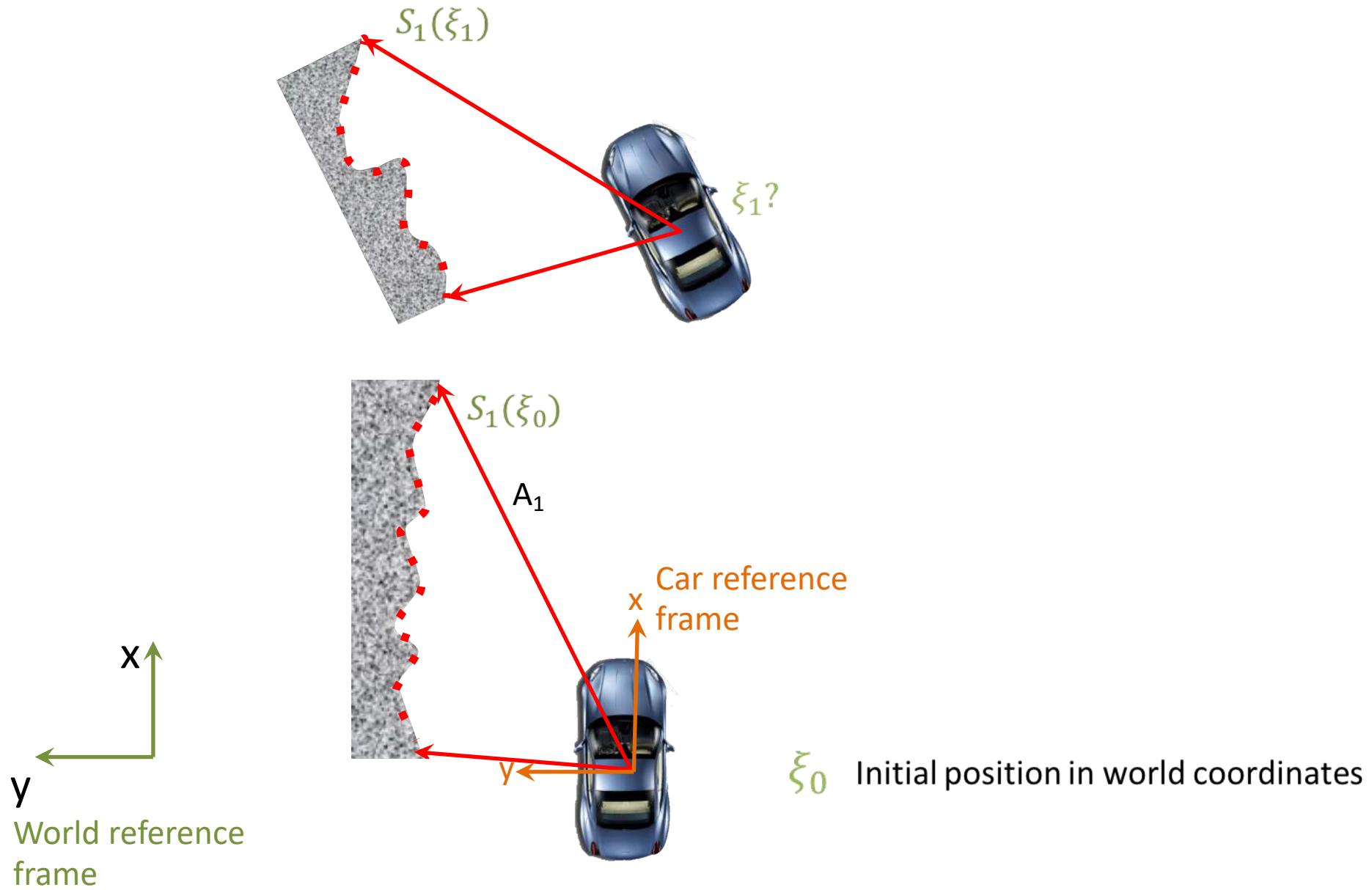
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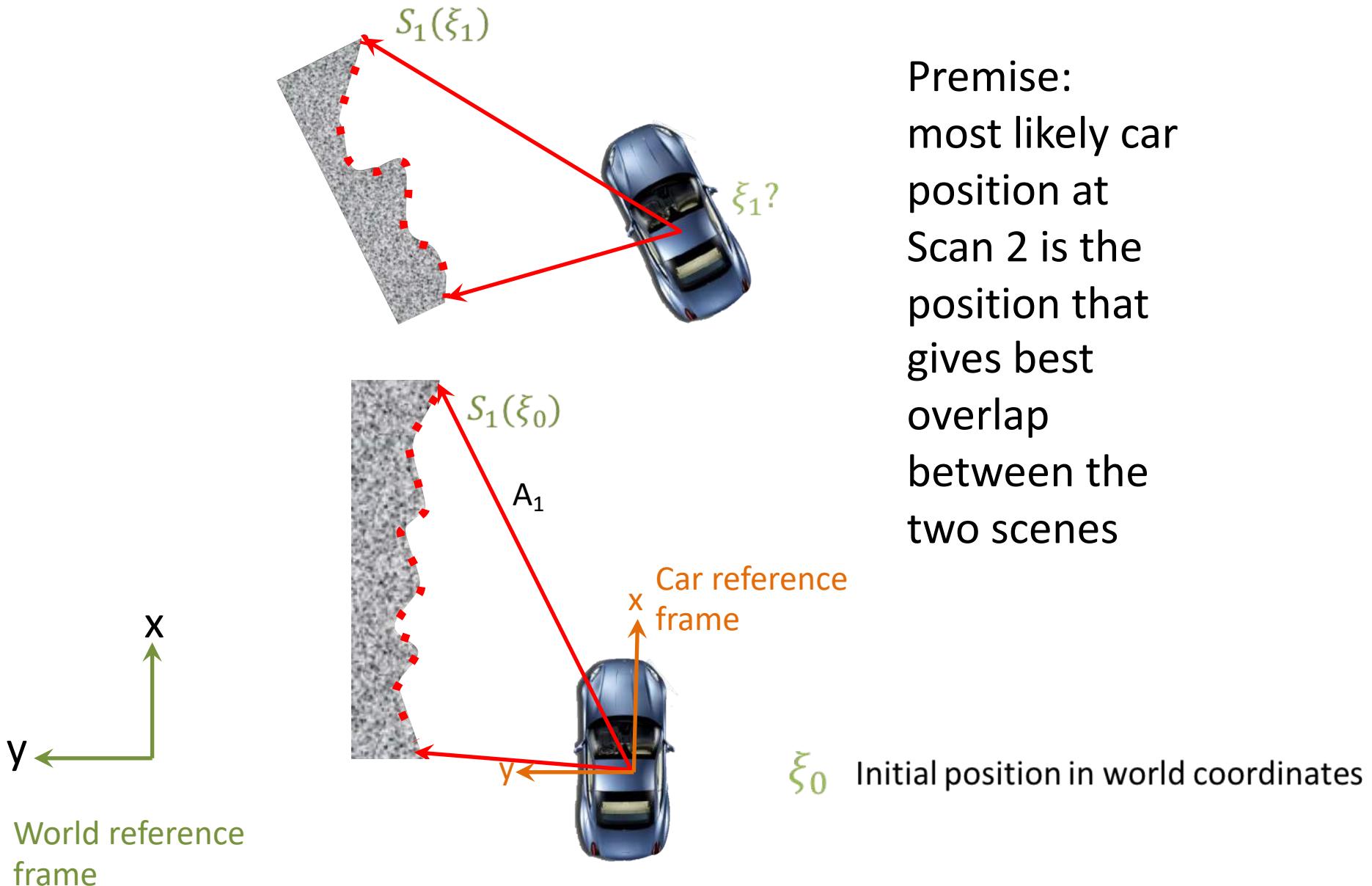


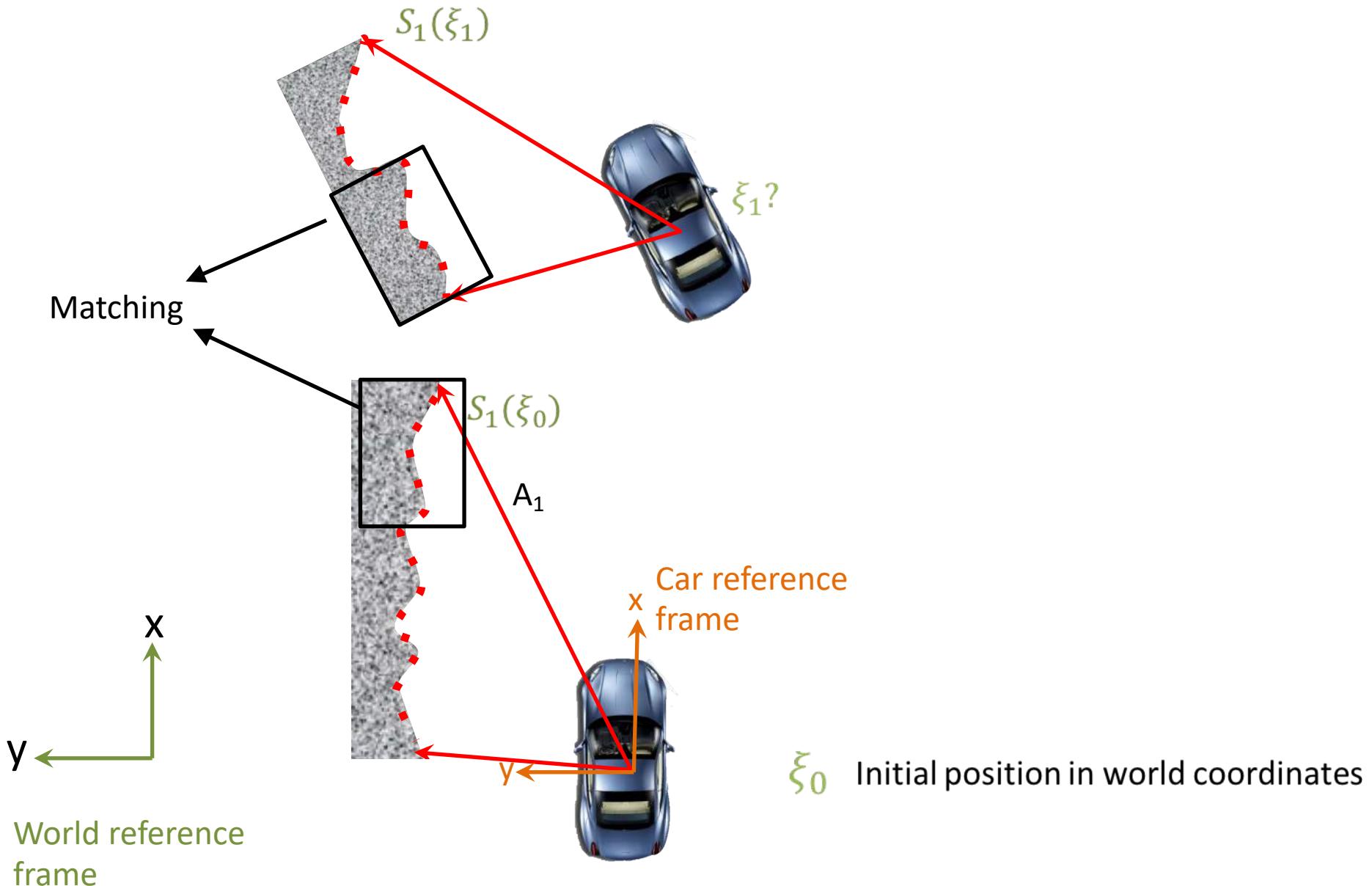
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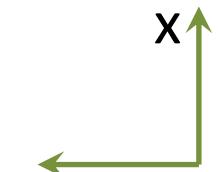


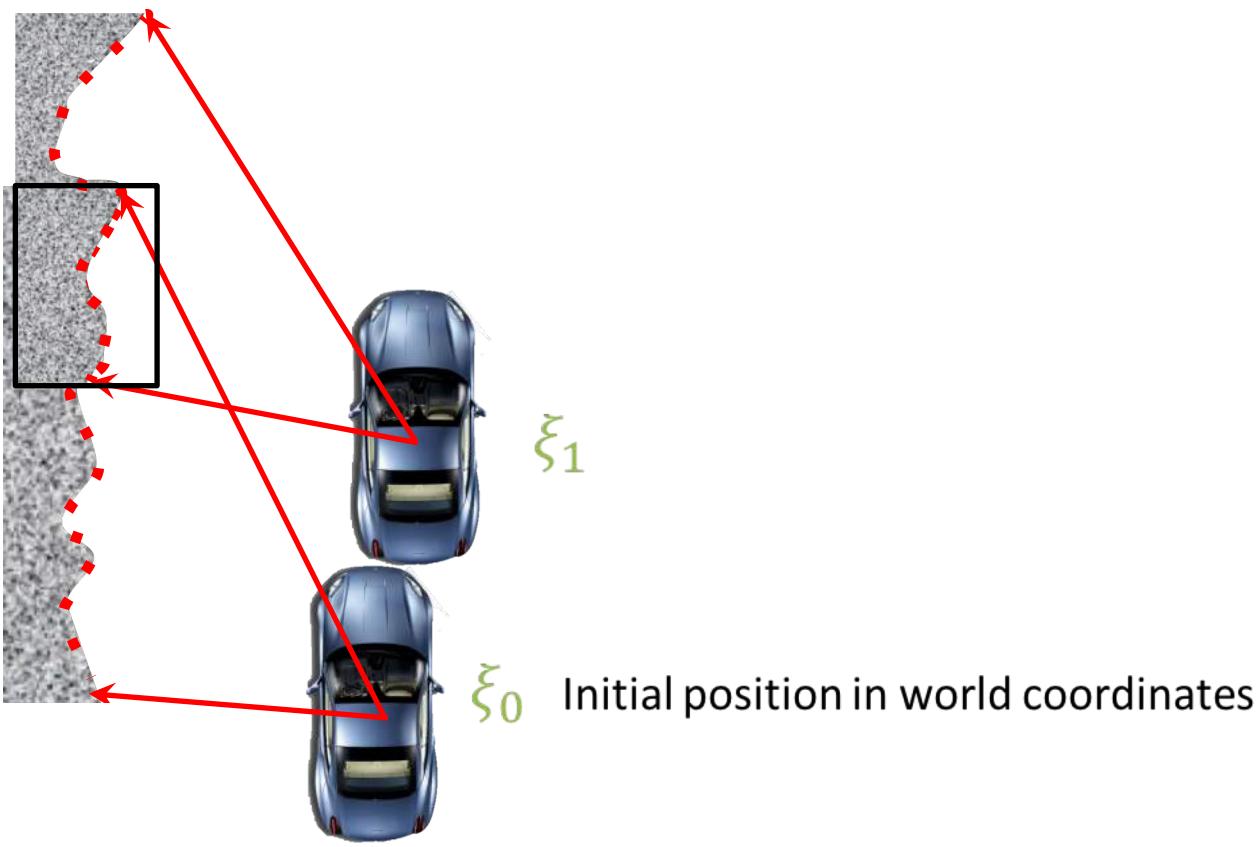




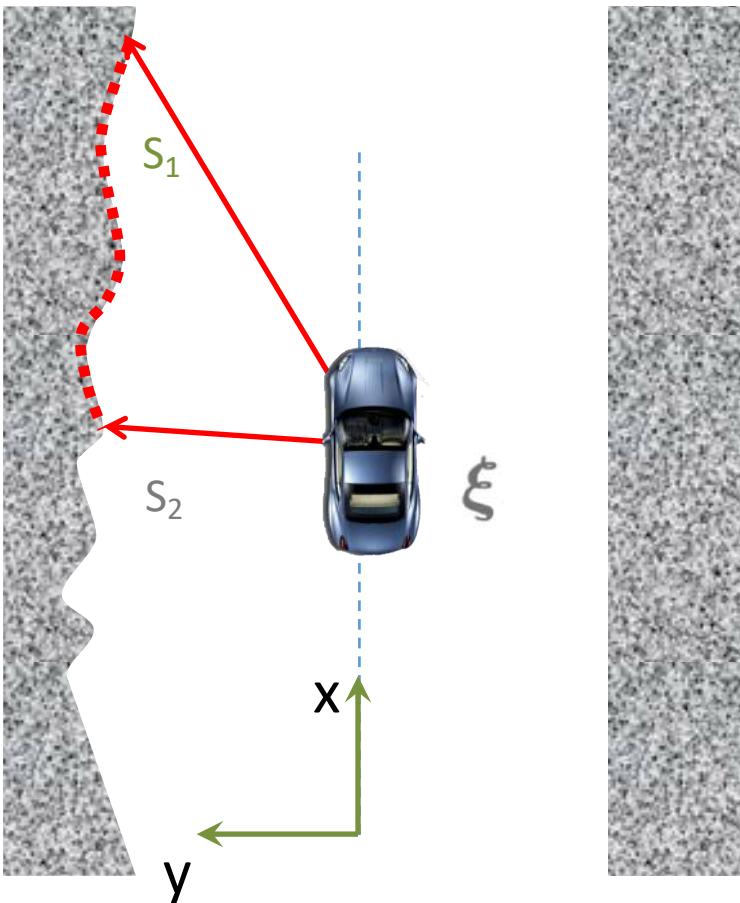




 World reference frame



Scan matching: optimization



Impact coordinates of i^{th} step in world frame

Total of n steps ($n = 1084$)

$$\xi^* = \underset{\xi}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - M(\mathbf{S}_i(\xi))]^2$$

Measure of match

