

**Paper Review: Ground-level Mapping And Navigating  
for Agriculture Based on IoT And Computer Vision**

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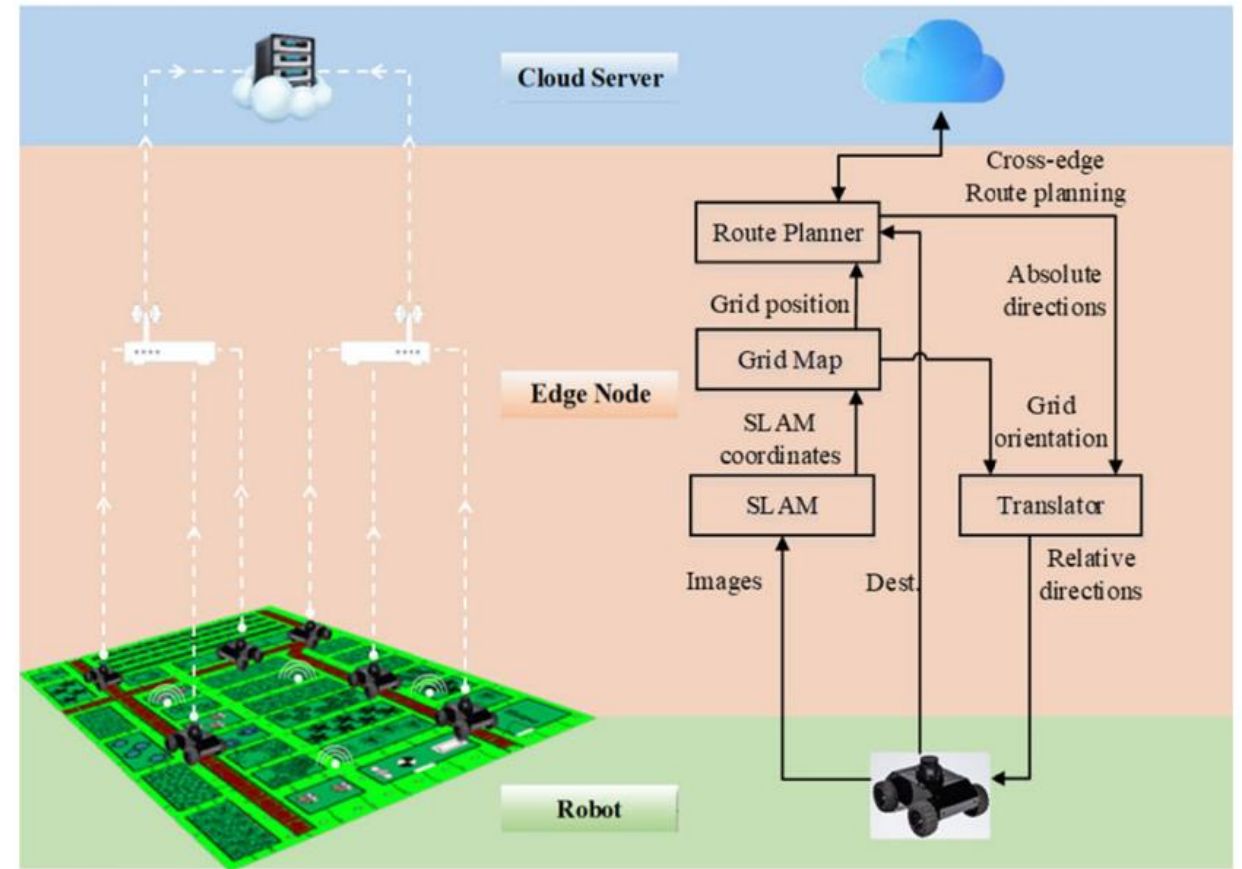
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## Motivation/purpose/ aims/hypothesis

- Enhance agriculture mapping
- Combine IoT and computer vision
- IoT benefits precision agriculture



**FIGURE 1.** The IoT architecture of Cloud-Edge-Robot.

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## Contribution

- IoT-based mapping (Fig. 3)
- Computer vision and edge computing (Fig. 4)
- Advancing precision agriculture (Fig. 5)

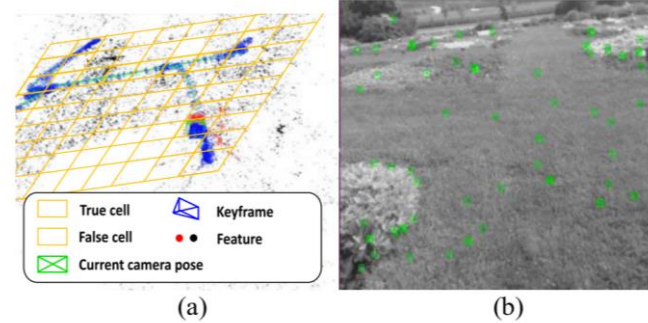


FIGURE 3. a) A demonstration of mn-scaled meshing with SLAM map and b) real-time farm view.

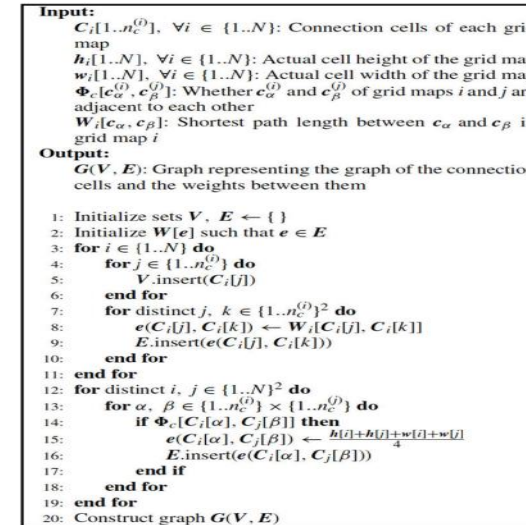


FIGURE 5. Route planning algorithm based on the Mesh-map.

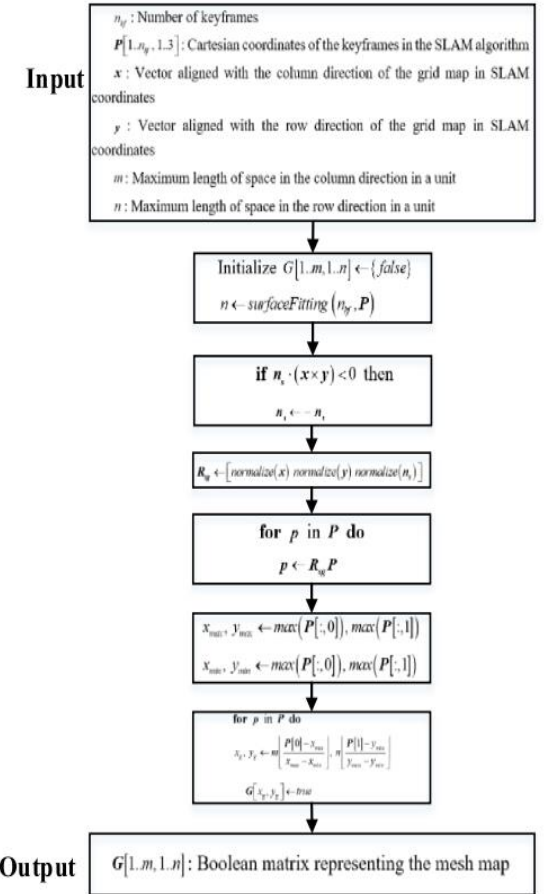
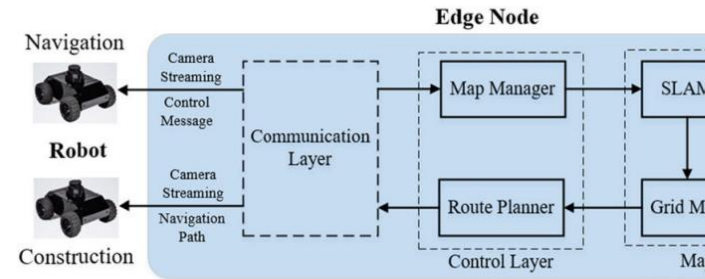


FIGURE 4. mn-Scaled Meshing algorithm.

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# Methodology

- Monocular cameras, SLAM, mesh maps (Figs. 2, 5)
- Accuracy, CPU usage, localization
  - experiments (Figs. 9, 12)
- Real-time mapping for precision agriculture (Fig. 8)



**Input:**

- $C_i[1..n_c^{(i)}], \forall i \in \{1..N\}$ : Connection cells of each grid map
- $h_i[1..N], \forall i \in \{1..N\}$ : Actual cell height of the grid map
- $w_i[1..N], \forall i \in \{1..N\}$ : Actual cell width of the grid map
- $\Phi_c[c_\alpha^{(i)}, c_\beta^{(j)}]$ : Whether  $c_\alpha^{(i)}$  and  $c_\beta^{(j)}$  of grid maps  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent to each other
- $W_i[c_\alpha, c_\beta]$ : Shortest path length between  $c_\alpha$  and  $c_\beta$  in grid map  $i$

**Output:**

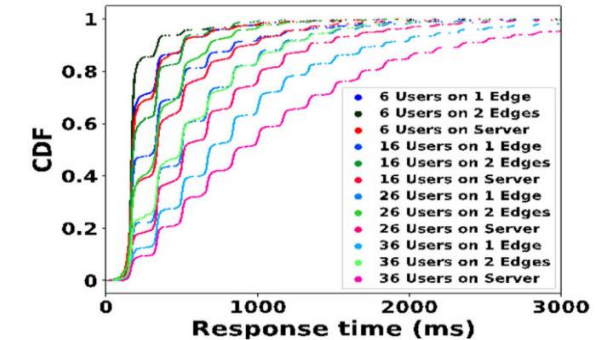
- $G(V, E)$ : Graph representing the graph of the connection cells and the weights between them

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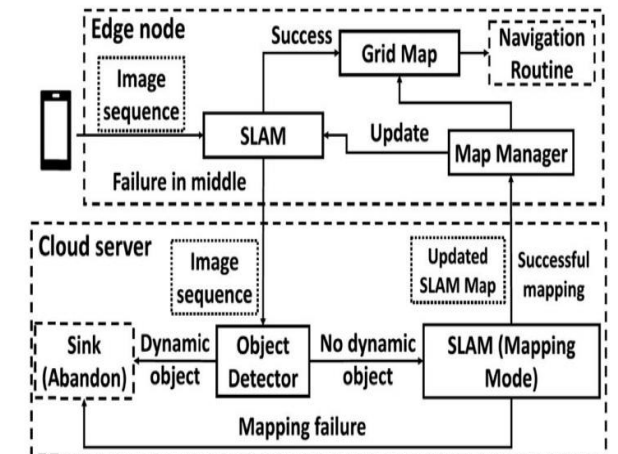
1: Initialize sets  $V, E \leftarrow \{\}$ 
2: Initialize  $W[e]$  such that  $e \in E$ 
3: for  $i \in \{1..N\}$  do
4:   for  $j \in \{1..n_c^{(i)}\}$  do
5:      $V.insert(C_i[j])$ 
6:   end for
7:   for distinct  $j, k \in \{1..n_c^{(i)}\}^2$  do
8:      $e(C_i[j], C_i[k]) \leftarrow W_i[C_i[j], C_i[k]]$ 
9:      $E.insert(e(C_i[j], C_i[k]))$ 
10:  end for
11: end for
12: for distinct  $i, j \in \{1..N\}^2$  do
13:   for  $\alpha, \beta \in \{1..n_c^{(i)}\} \times \{1..n_c^{(j)}\}$  do
14:     if  $\Phi_c[C_i[\alpha], C_j[\beta]]$  then
15:        $e(C_i[\alpha], C_j[\beta]) \leftarrow \frac{h[i]+h[j]+w[i]+w[j]}{4}$ 
16:        $E.insert(e(C_i[\alpha], C_j[\beta]))$ 
17:     end if
18:   end for
19: end for
20: Construct graph  $G(V, E)$ 

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**FIGURE 5.** Route planning algorithm based on the Mesh-map.



**FIGURE 12.** The CDF of the time intervals between responses. Note: User means a working robot.



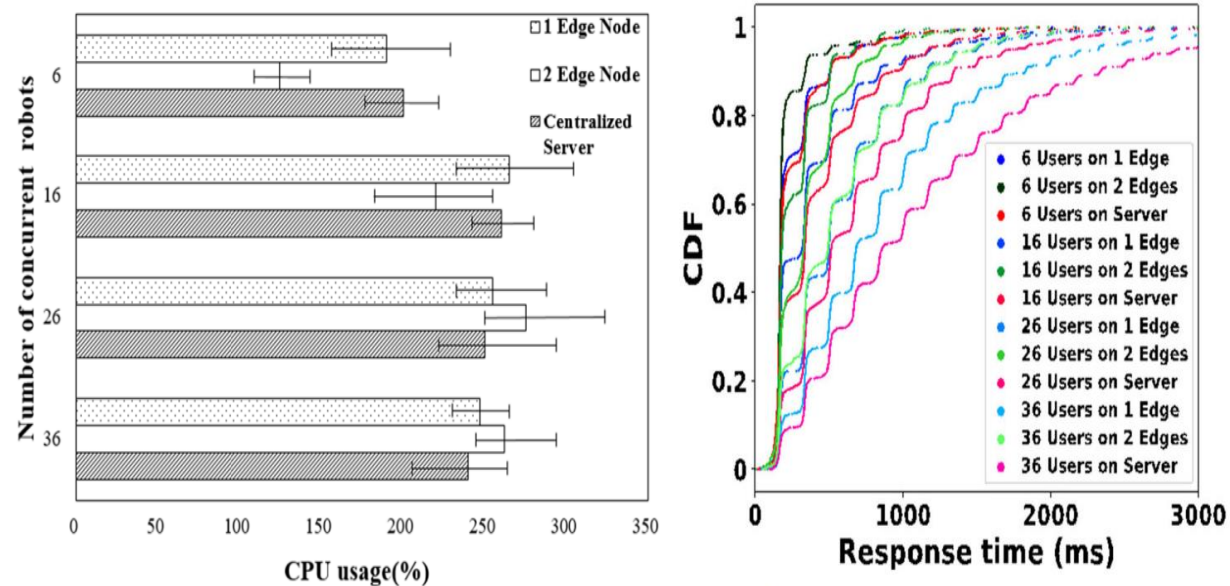
**FIGURE 9.** The flowchart of map maintenance.

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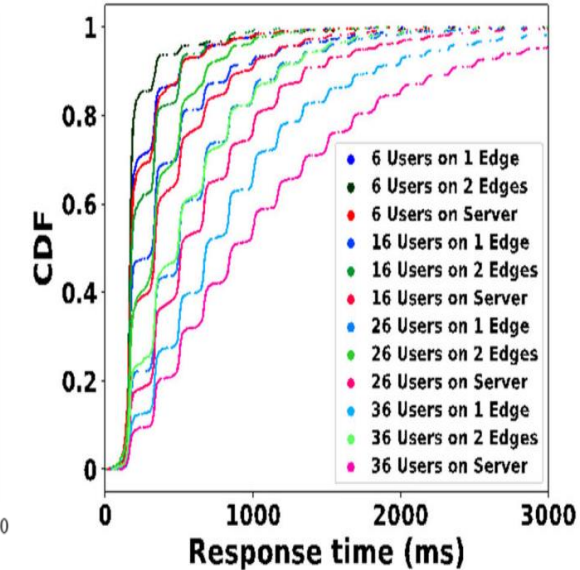
**TABLE 4. Results from the accuracy experiment.**

Cell length (approximate) (cm)	30	60
Localization success frequency (%)	84.7	89.3
RMSE (cm)	19.5	0
Maximal error (cm)	36.9	0
Orientation accuracy (%)	100	100

*Note: Orientation includes 8 directions separated by 45 degrees.*



**FIGURE 13. CPU usages in each experiment configuration.**



**FIGURE 12. The CDF of the time intervals between responses. Note: User means a working robot.**

## Conclusion

- High accuracy (Table 4).
- Efficiency of edge computing (Fig. 13).
- Real-time data and map updates (Fig. 12).

# Limitations

## **Limitation 1**

Planar terrain  
assumption

## **Limitation 2**

SLAM technology  
limitations

# Synthesis

**Future  
Applications**

**Environmental  
Monitoring**

**Smart  
Cities**

**Disaster  
Response**

**Exploration &  
Mapping**

**Versatile  
Industries**

**Overcoming  
Limitations**

**Enhancing  
Adaptability**



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