

Scan Matching Localization

Self-Driving Car Engineer Nanodegree

<https://www.udacity.com/course/self-driving-car-engineer-nanodegree--nd013>

Installation

Go to the Udacity workspace of the project "Scan Matching Localization" of the Lesson 3 "Localization" of the Self-Driving Car Engineer Nanodegree.

Copy the contents of the file code/c3-main.cpp into the file ``/home/workspace/c3-project/c3-main.cpp`` in the Udacity workspace of the project "Scan Matching Localization". You can do it by copying and pasting the contents of the file code/c3-main.cpp .

Usage

Press the blue button "Desktop". Start one terminal. Run the Carla simulator by using these Unix commands:

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...
su - student # Ignore Permission Denied, if you see student@ you are good
cd /home/workspace/c3-project
./run_carla.sh
...
```

Start another terminal. Compile the project by using these Unix commands:

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...
cd /home/workspace/c3-project
cmake .
make
...
```

Run the project with the NDT algorithm by using Unix command:

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...
./cloud_loc
...
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Or run the project with the ICP algorithm by using Unix command:

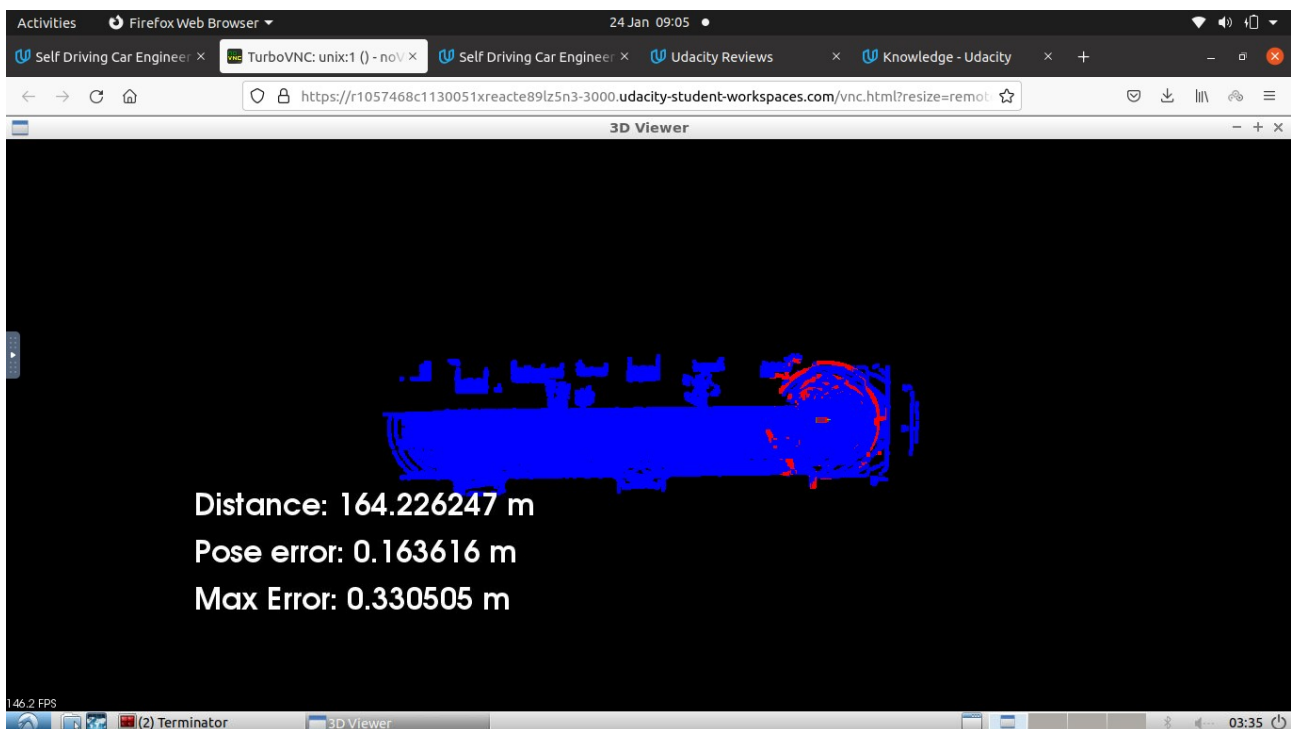
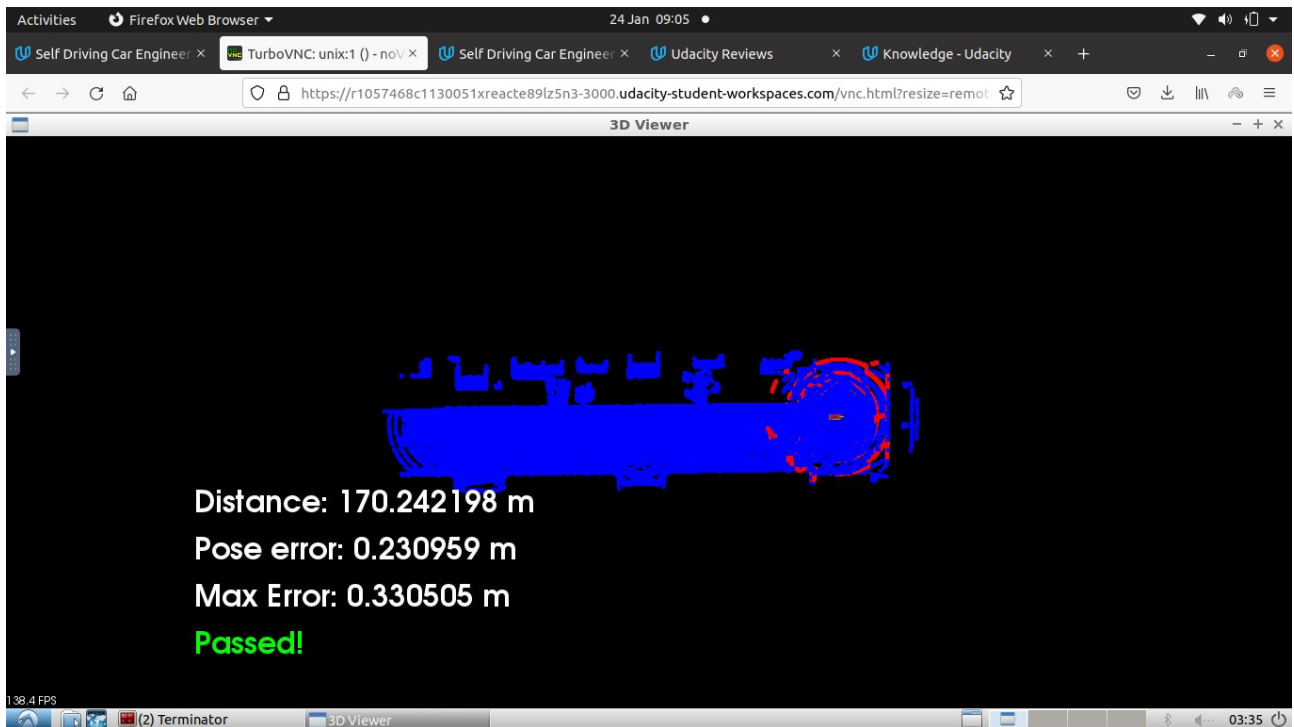
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...
./cloud_loc 2
...
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Once the project is running, click on the map and tap the UP key 3 times, with delays of 1 second between taps. If the green car gets left behind, run the project again and tap the UP key 3 times again. The second run or the third run usually produce better results than the results of the first run.
****IMPORTANT: Never stop the Carla simulator.****

Result in Images

Scan Matching Localization with LIDAR Point Clouds - **Algorithm 1: Normal Distributions Transform NDT**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EOKKcwuBtzo>



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https://r1057468c1130051xreacte89lz5n3-3000.udacity-student-workspaces.com/vnc.html?resize=remot
root@c313b81587ff: /home/workspace/c3-project
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algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.276631, time: 139.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.002789
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.269690, time: 180.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.002692
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.274635, time: 187.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.002310
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algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.276694, time: 180.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.000751
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algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.277024, time: 154.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.004843
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algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.275525, time: 166.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.002997
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.278268, time: 151.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.002228
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.277881, time: 217.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.001144
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.278365, time: 141.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.001883
algorithm: NDT, converged: 1, score: 0.278145, time: 205.000000 ms, avg speed: -0.001810
WARNING: sensor object went out of the scope but the sensor is still alive in the simulation: Actor 93 (sensor.lidar.ray_cast)
(venv) root@c313b81587ff: /home/workspace/c3-project#
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Scan Matching Localization with LIDAR Point Clouds - Algorithm 2: Iterative Closest Point (ICP)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZeZAm4jvW4>

