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CVPR 2019 Tutorial

Multi-sensor Fusion Based Localization

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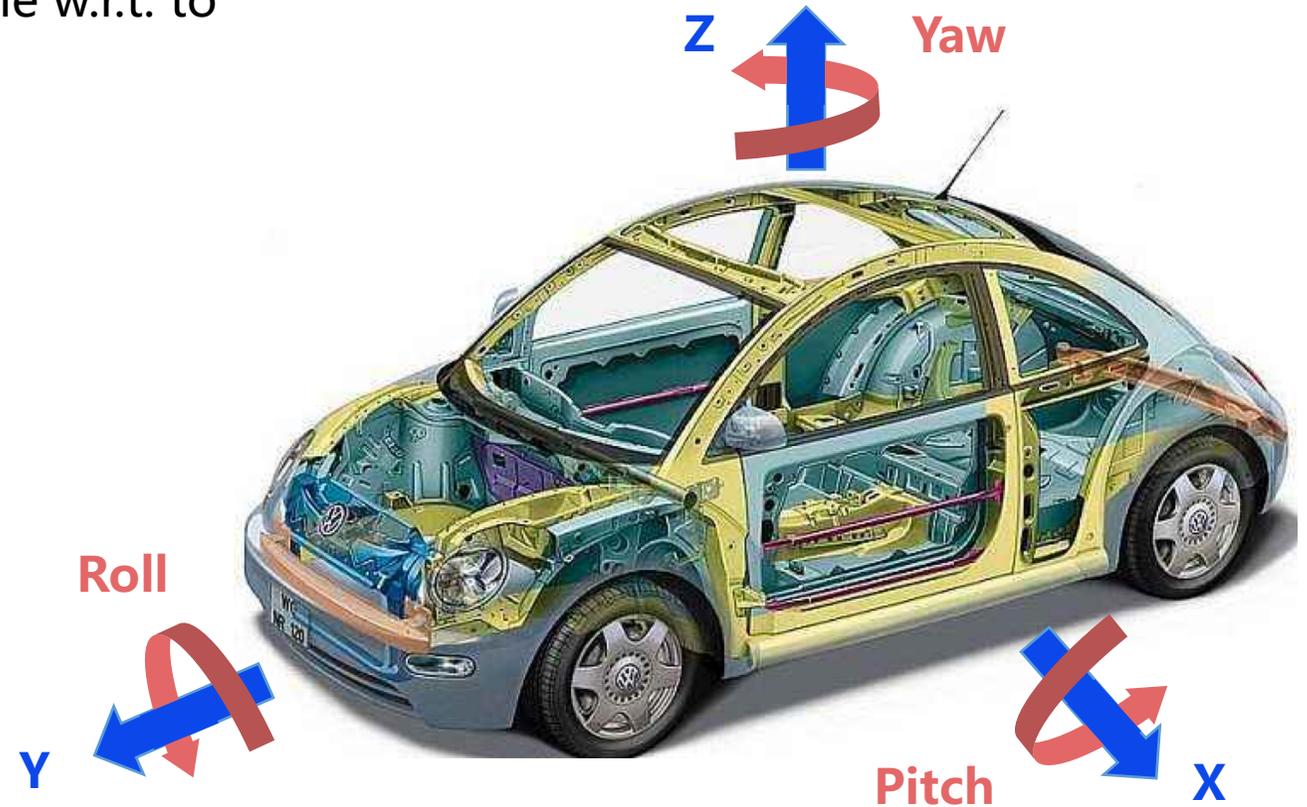
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Introduction

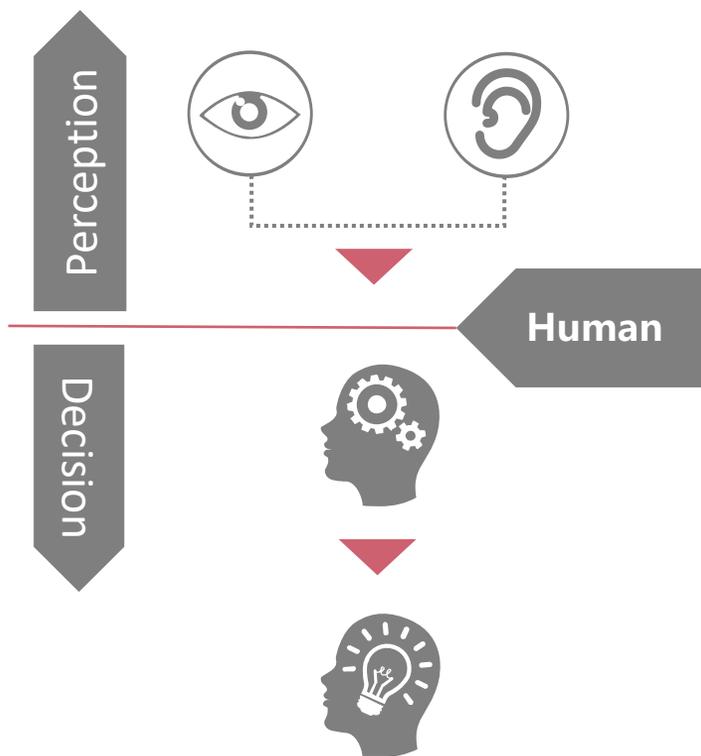
Introduction: Localization System

Estimate position and orientation of a vehicle w.r.t. to a coordinate system (e.g., UTM): **6 DOF**

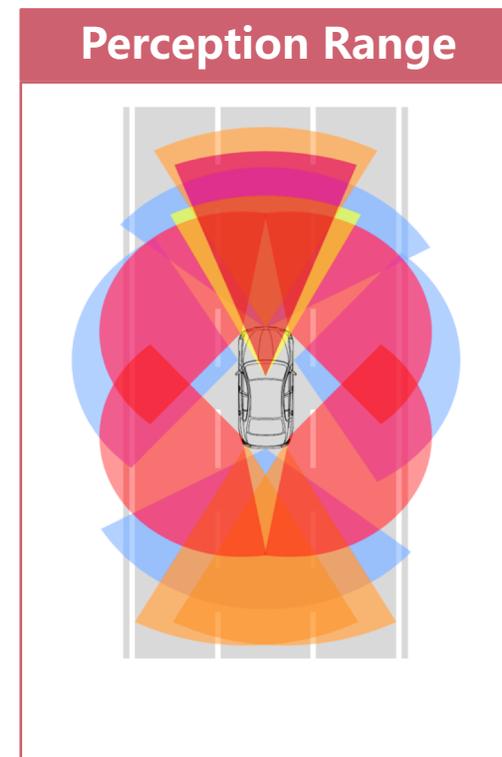
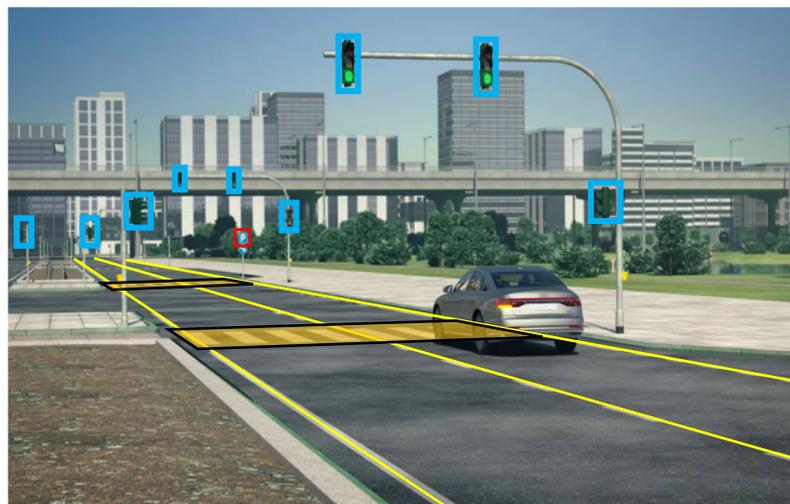
Item	Variable	DOF
Position	X, Y, Z	3
Orientation	Yaw, Pitch, Roll	3
Velocity	v_x , v_y , v_z	3
Acceleration	a_x , a_y , a_z	3
Angular Velocity	ω_x , ω_y , ω_z	3



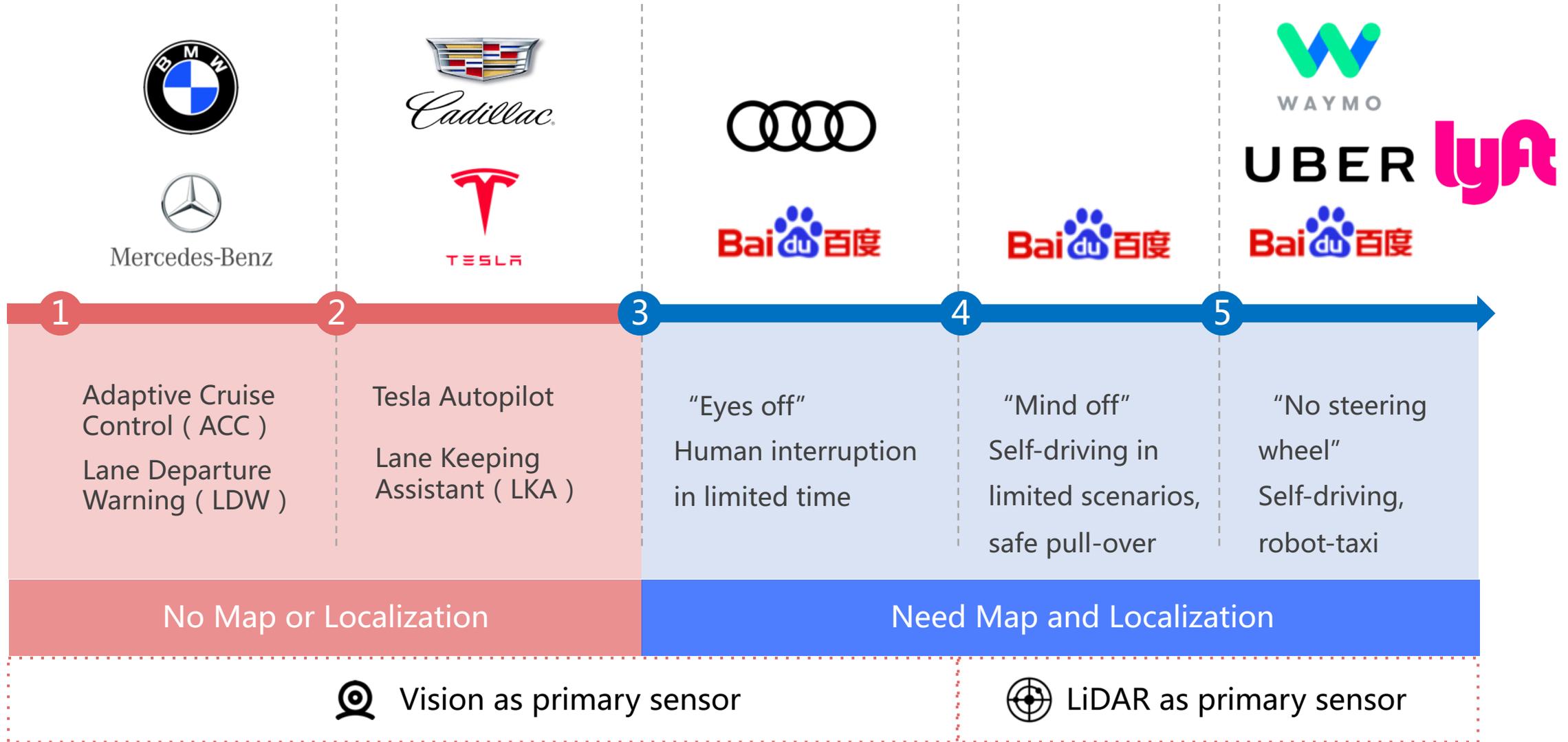
Why we need localization and map?



Prior Guidance



SAE Level and Localization



System Requirement

L4/L5 autonomous driving need a **Precise**、**Reliable**、**Universal** localization module



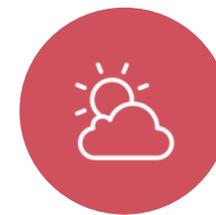
Precise

Centimeter positioning accuracy and sub-degree orientation accuracy



Reliable

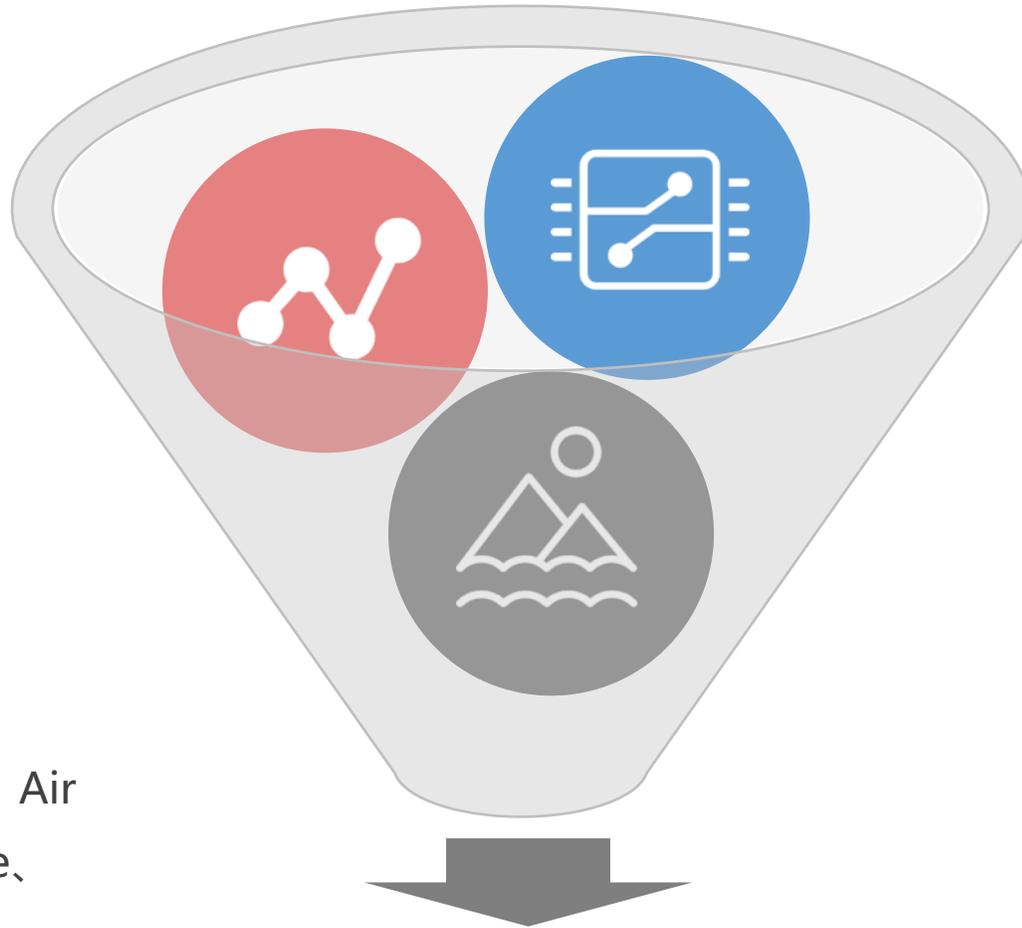
Critical dependency, need to be available all the time



Universal

Available in challenging scenarios, such as tree-lined roads, tunnels, downtown. Available in severe weathers, including rainy, snowy, foggy days.

Localization Methods



Magnetometer, Air
Pressure Gauge,
Depth Gauge

 Signal-based

GNSS, RFID, Cell Phone, Wifi,
FM radio, UWB

 Dead-Reckoning

IMU, Wheel Odometry

 Feature Matching

LiDAR, Radar, Camera

Common Localization Methods and Sensors

Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS)

Solution - Global Navigation Satellite System

Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS):

GPS (United States), GLONASS (Russia), Beidou (China), Galileo (Europe), QZSS (Japan)

Basic Functions:

Measure position, velocity and precise time (PVT)

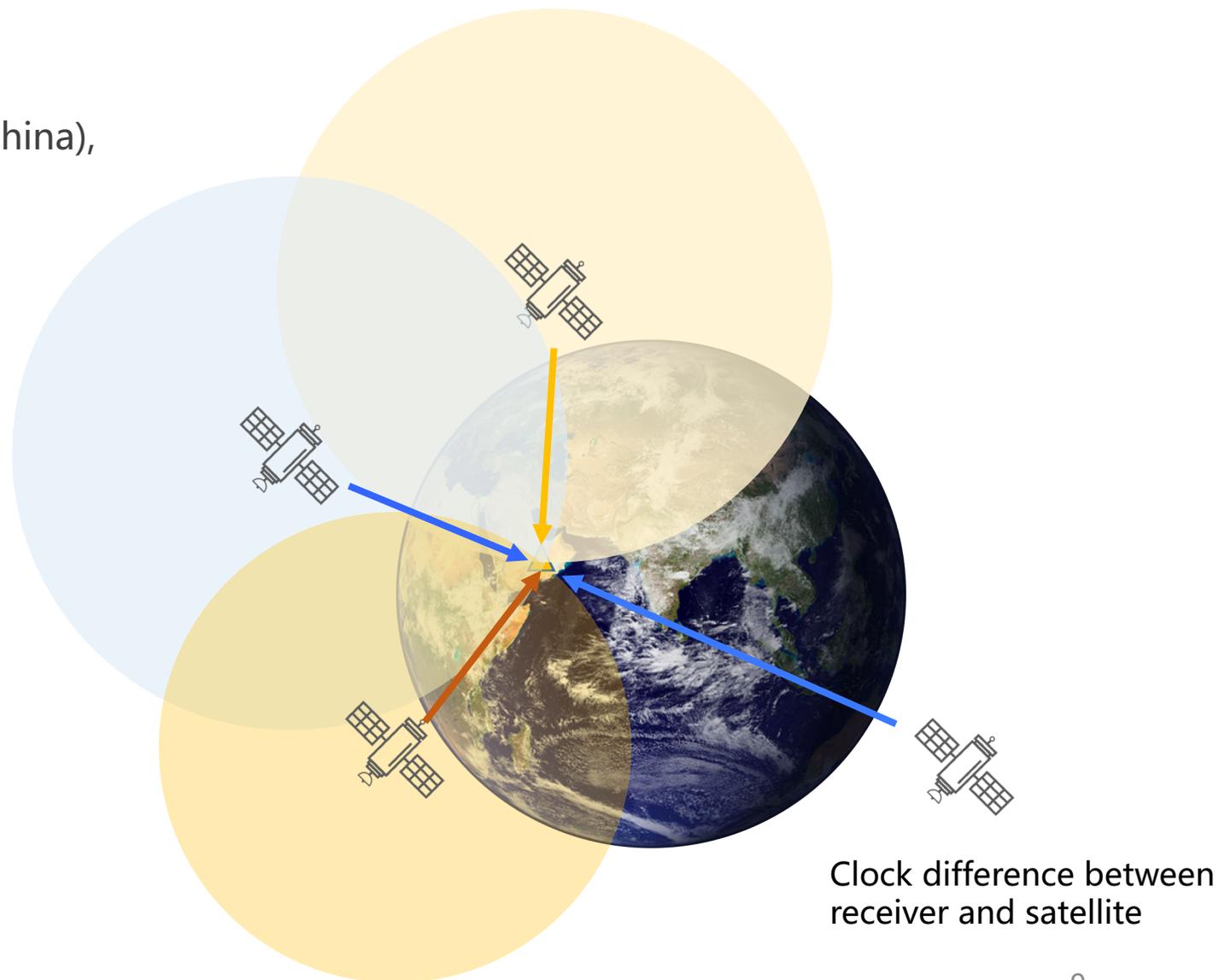
Basic Technical Principle:

Time of arrival (TOA)

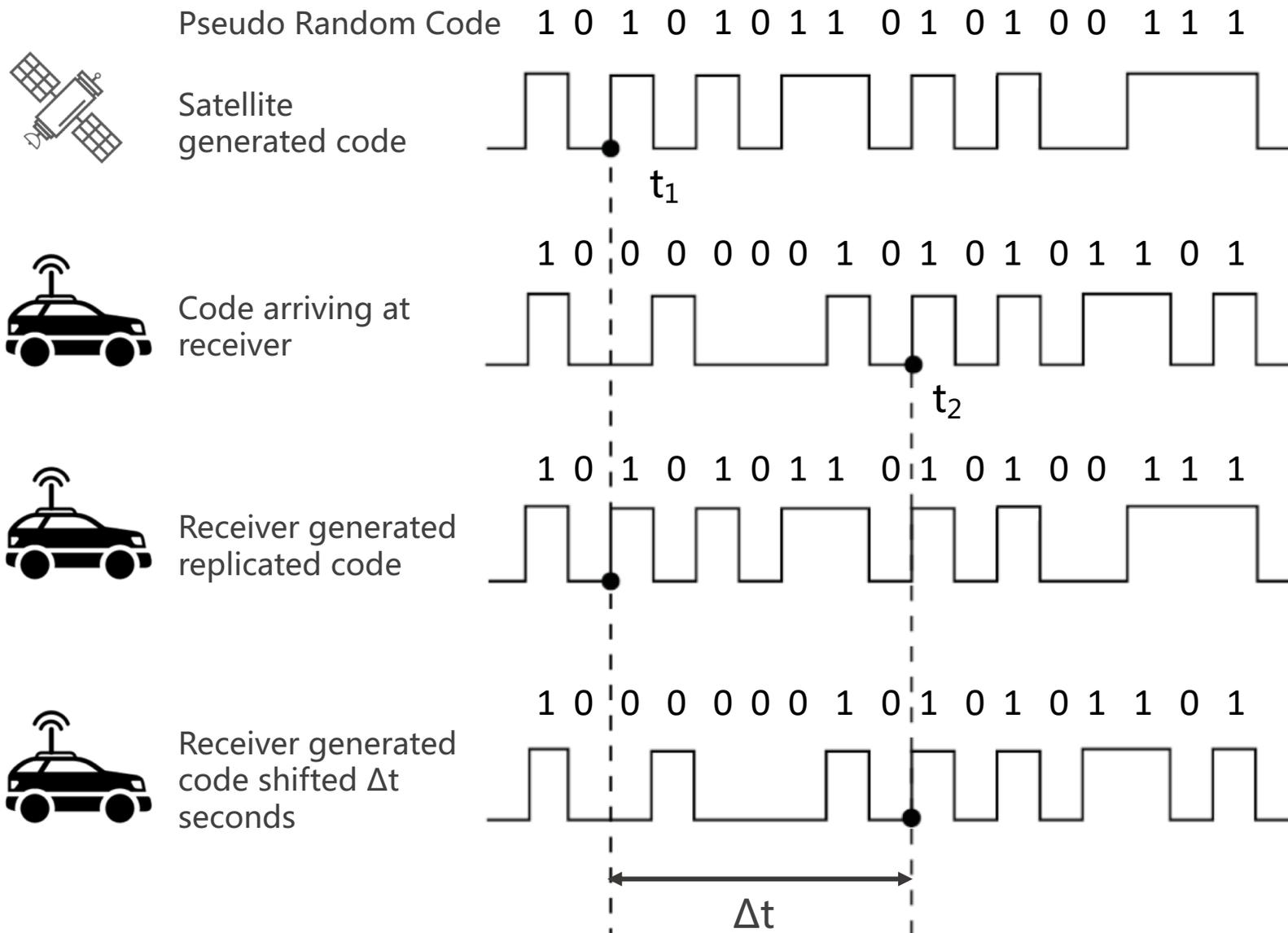
Accuracy:

Single Point Positioning: about 5 m (1 sigma)

Real-time Kinematic (RTK): 1cm + 1 ppm (1 sigma)



Solution - Global Navigation Satellite System



Single Point Positioning

Accuracy: about 5 m

$$\text{Range} = \Delta t * c,$$

where c is the speed of light

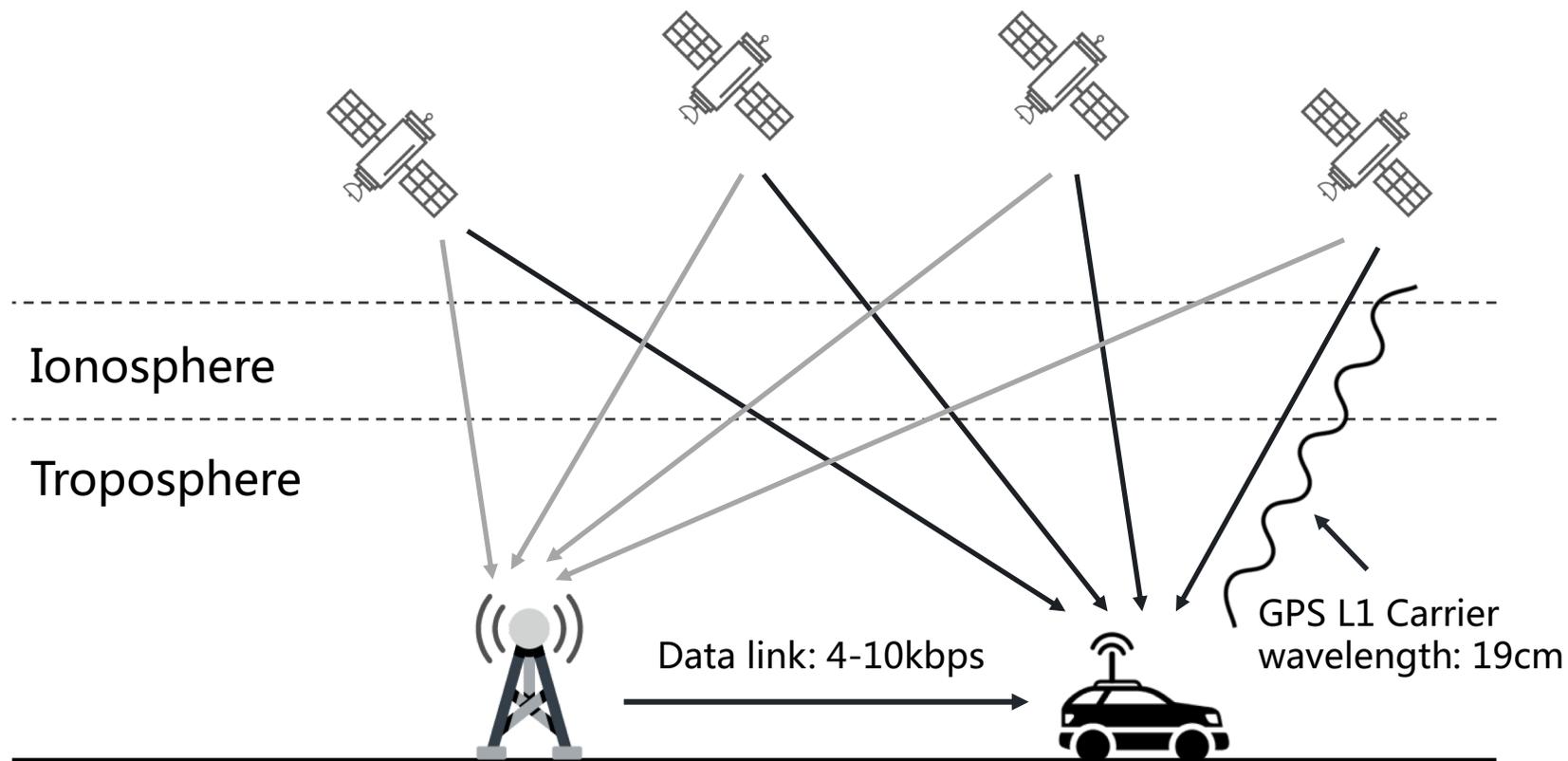
Solution - Global Navigation Satellite System

Real-time Kinematic (RTK)

Accuracy: 1cm + 1ppm

Core Technique:

- Carrier-phase tracking
- Differential GNSS



Reference station with precisely known position

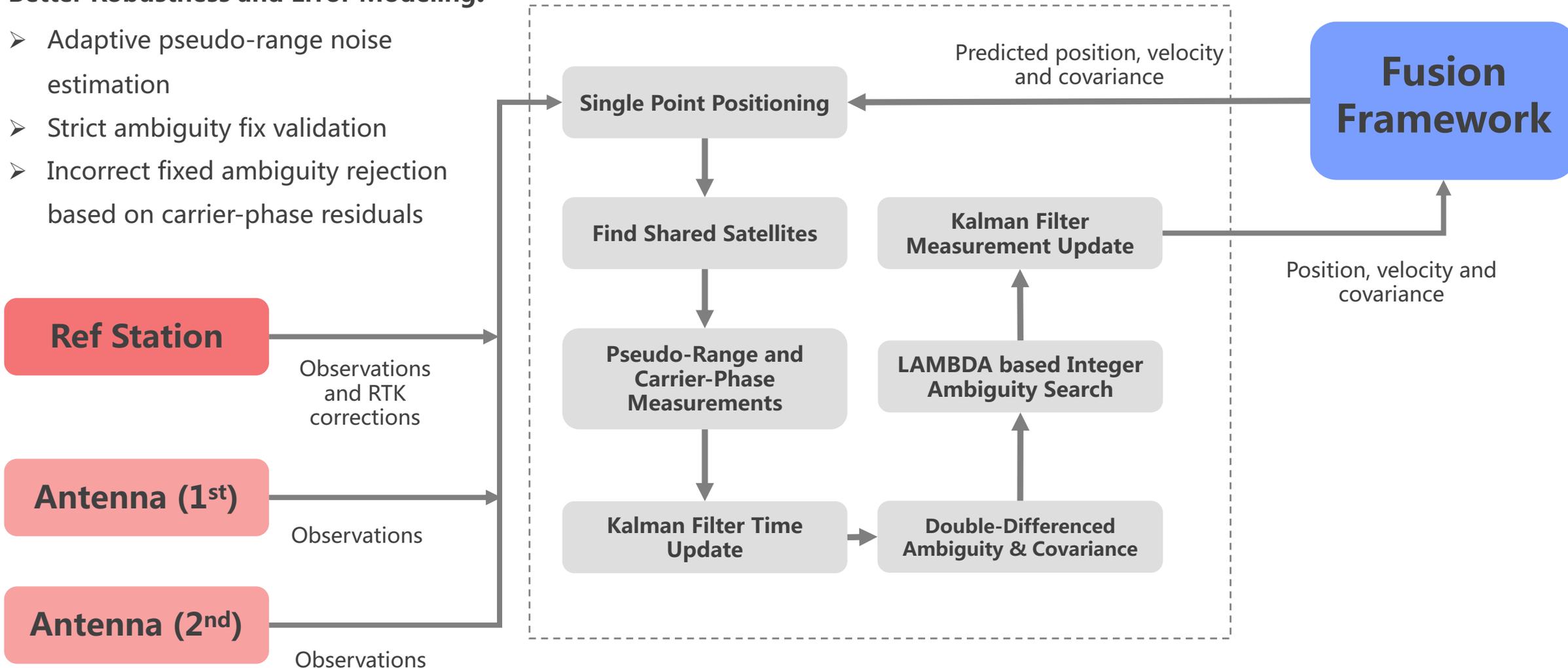
SPP Error Sources (m)

✓	Ephemeris	~1.4
✓	Satellite Clock	~1.4
✓	Ionosphere	~2
✓	Troposphere	~0.5
✓	Pseudorange noise	~0.5
✗	Multipath	~1.0

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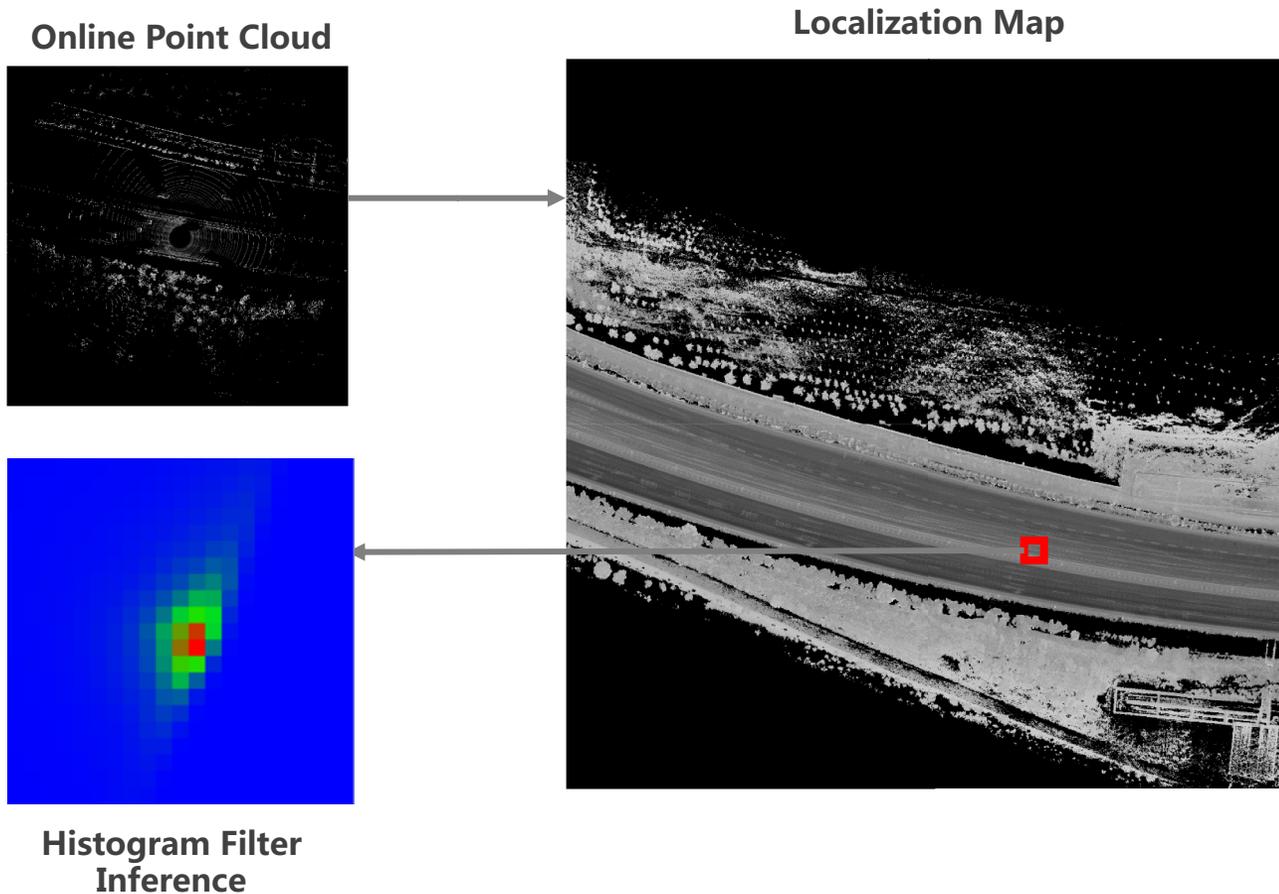
Better Robustness and Error Modeling:

- Adaptive pseudo-range noise estimation
- Strict ambiguity fix validation
- Incorrect fixed ambiguity rejection based on carrier-phase residuals



LiDAR Localization

Solution – LiDAR Localization



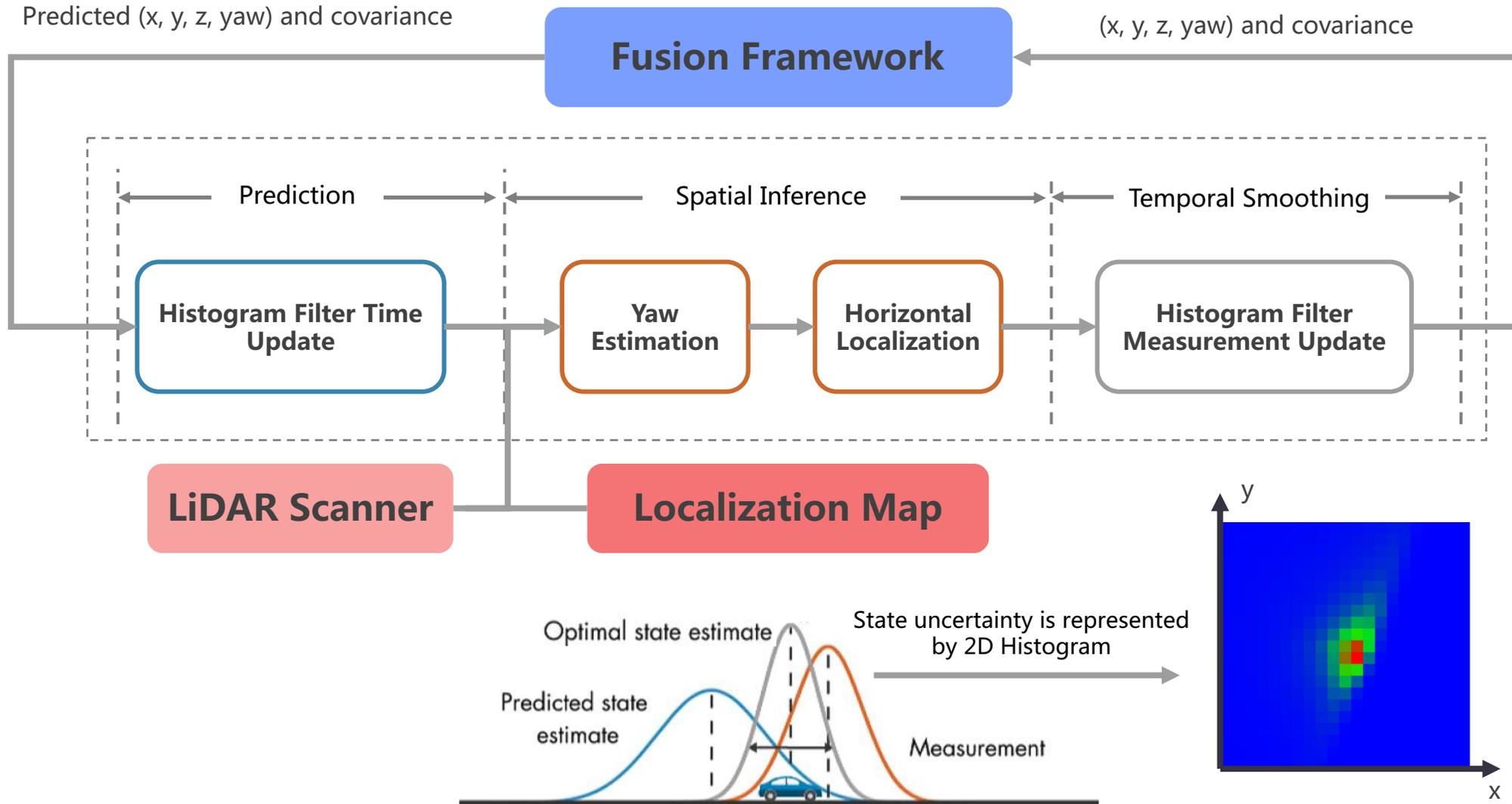
Advantage

- Precise and accurate
- No external dependences

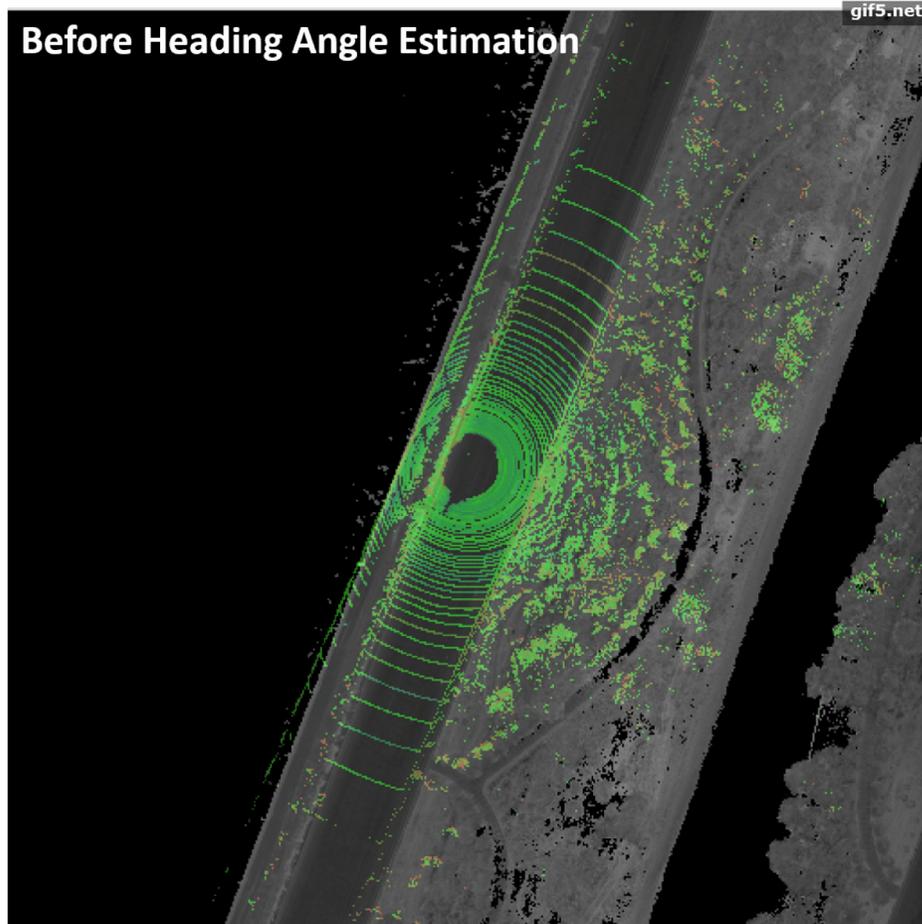
Disadvantage

- Pre-collected map required
- Map update required
- Suffer in server weather, such as snow.

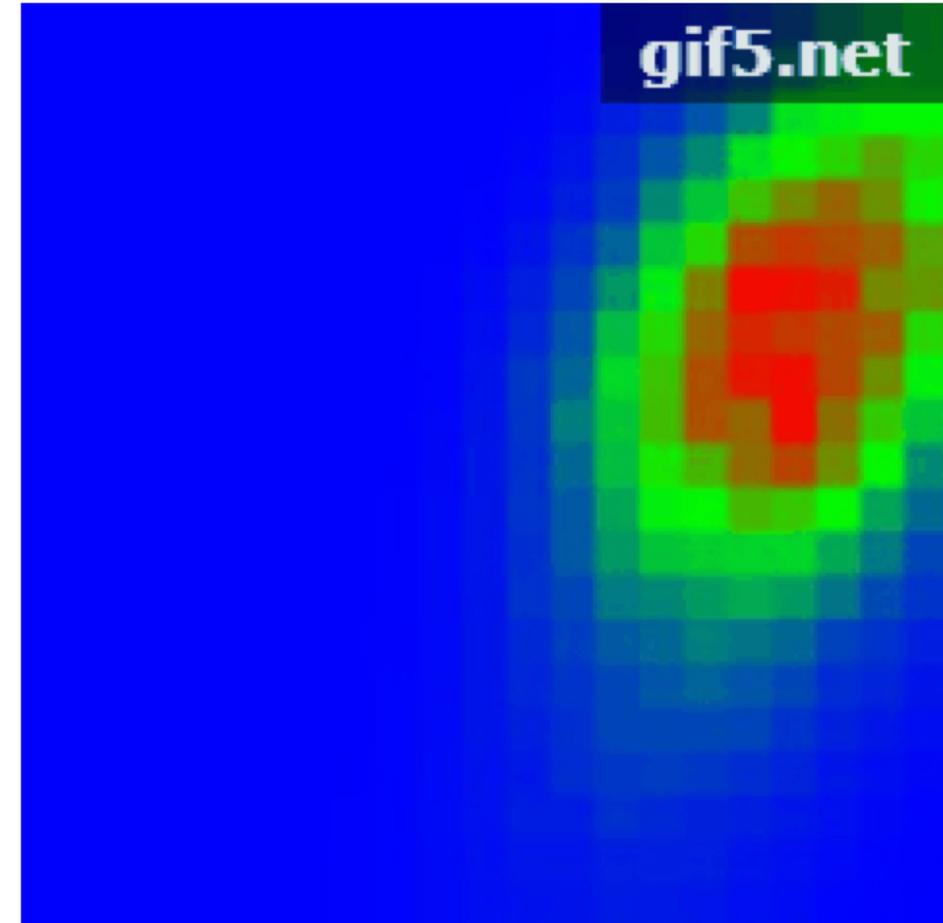
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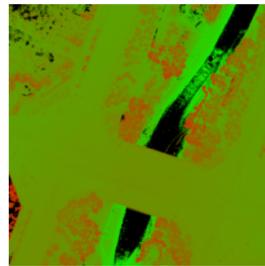
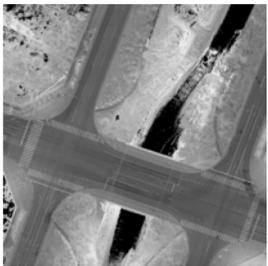
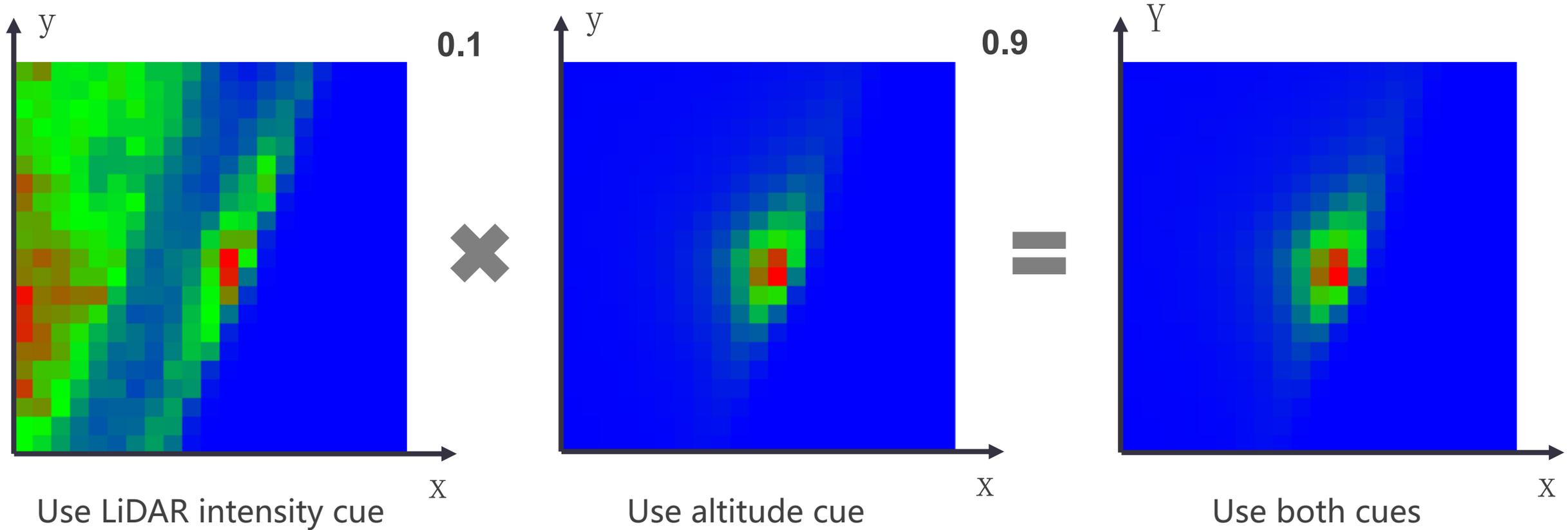


1.5° error in heading estimation



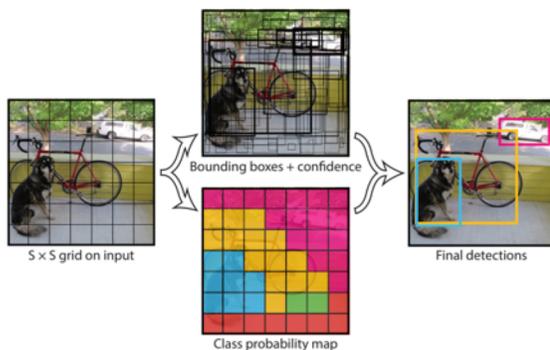
Horizontal Localization
(with or without heading estimation)

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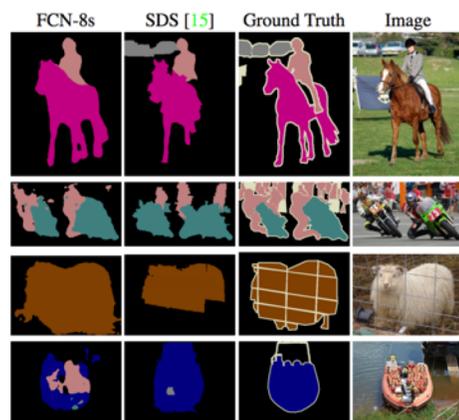
Learning-based Methods

Object Detection



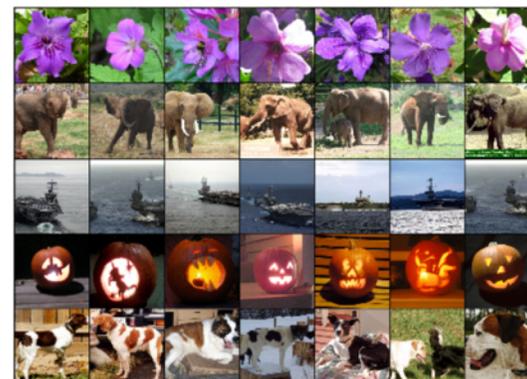
J. Redmon, et al., CVPR 2016

Semantic Segmentation



J. Long, et al., CVPR 2015

Image Classification

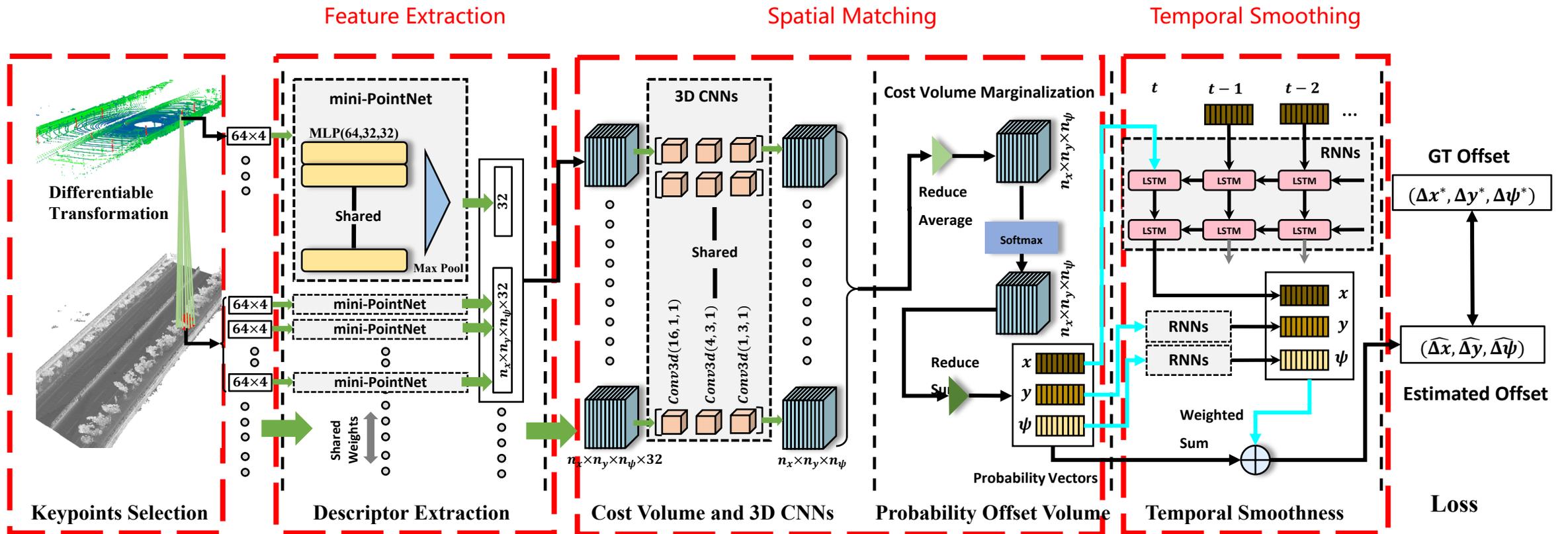


A. Krizhevsky, et al., NIPS 2012

Geometric Problem



Learning-based LiDAR Localization



Learning-based LiDAR Localization



DataSet	Methods	Horiz. RMS	Horiz. Max	Long. RMS	Lat. RMS	< 0.1m Pct.	< 0.2m Pct.	< 0.3m Pct.	Yaw. RMS	Yaw. Max	< 0.1° Pct.	< 0.3° Pct.	< 0.6° Pct.
BaylandsToSeafood	Levinson et al.[18]	0.148	1.501	0.115	0.074	54.62%	82.41%	91.10%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.036	0.203	0.026	0.019	98.88%	99.98%	100.0%	0.054	0.372	86.82%	99.86%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.054	0.328	0.041	0.026	94.49%	99.77%	99.95%	0.029	0.294	98.56%	100.0%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.050	0.209	0.039	0.024	96.48%	99.89%	100.0%	0.020	0.179	99.35%	100.0%	100.0%
ColumbiaPark	Levinson et al.[18]	0.063	0.202	0.045	0.034	87.30%	99.99%	100.0%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.046	0.160	0.034	0.024	96.46%	100.0%	100.0%	0.081	0.384	67.27%	99.74%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.047	0.161	0.034	0.025	95.82%	100.0%	100.0%	0.049	0.322	92.57%	99.99%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.043	0.159	0.032	0.023	98.02%	100.0%	100.0%	0.028	0.190	99.50%	100.0%	100.0%
Highway237	Levinson et al.[18]	0.161	0.622	0.138	0.061	37.05%	69.90%	86.09%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.049	0.196	0.038	0.022	93.27%	100.0%	100.0%	0.069	0.302	78.12%	99.94%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.053	0.257	0.046	0.019	92.05%	99.77%	100.0%	0.048	0.211	94.51%	100.0%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.045	0.190	0.034	0.023	99.01%	100.0%	100.0%	0.038	0.112	99.30%	100.0%	100.0%
MathildaAVE	Levinson et al.[18]	0.106	0.779	0.086	0.044	65.20%	90.43%	94.83%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.040	0.179	0.030	0.020	98.72%	100.0%	100.0%	0.060	0.453	82.91%	99.74%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.054	0.379	0.040	0.028	96.82%	99.91%	99.99%	0.033	0.674	97.56%	99.83%	99.97%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.051	0.154	0.040	0.025	98.87%	100.0%	100.0%	0.019	0.176	99.31%	100.0%	100.0%
SanJoseDowntown	Levinson et al.[18]	0.103	0.586	0.075	0.055	58.20%	88.39%	97.75%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.058	0.290	0.039	0.034	87.72%	99.55%	100.0%	0.052	0.246	87.82%	100.0%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.057	0.288	0.037	0.037	89.81%	98.93%	100.0%	0.033	0.274	99.02%	100.0%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.055	0.294	0.036	0.034	91.32%	99.20%	100.0%	0.034	0.221	98.86%	100.0%	100.0%
SunnyvaleBigLoop	Levinson et al.[18]	0.132	1.423	0.097	0.070	43.95%	87.51%	94.99%	-	-	-	-	-
	Wan et al.[29]	0.069	0.368	0.050	0.038	80.86%	99.08%	99.96%	0.081	0.679	69.51%	98.60%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithoutRNN)	0.060	0.451	0.039	0.037	88.24%	98.99%	99.85%	0.046	0.405	91.32%	99.98%	100.0%
	Ours.(WithRNN)	0.055	0.347	0.037	0.032	92.42%	99.14%	99.94%	0.033	0.262	96.44%	100.0%	100.0%

CVPR 2019: L3-Net: Towards Learning based LiDAR Localization for Autonomous Driving
Demo Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dptbd4D78Mk>

Inertial Navigation System (INS)

Solution – Inertial Navigation System (INS)

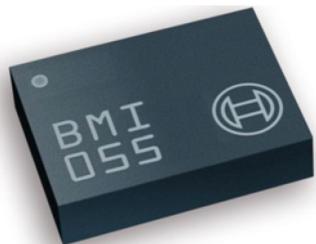
Fiber Optic Gyros

Precise but pricy



Consumer IMU

Inaccurate but affordable



Advantage

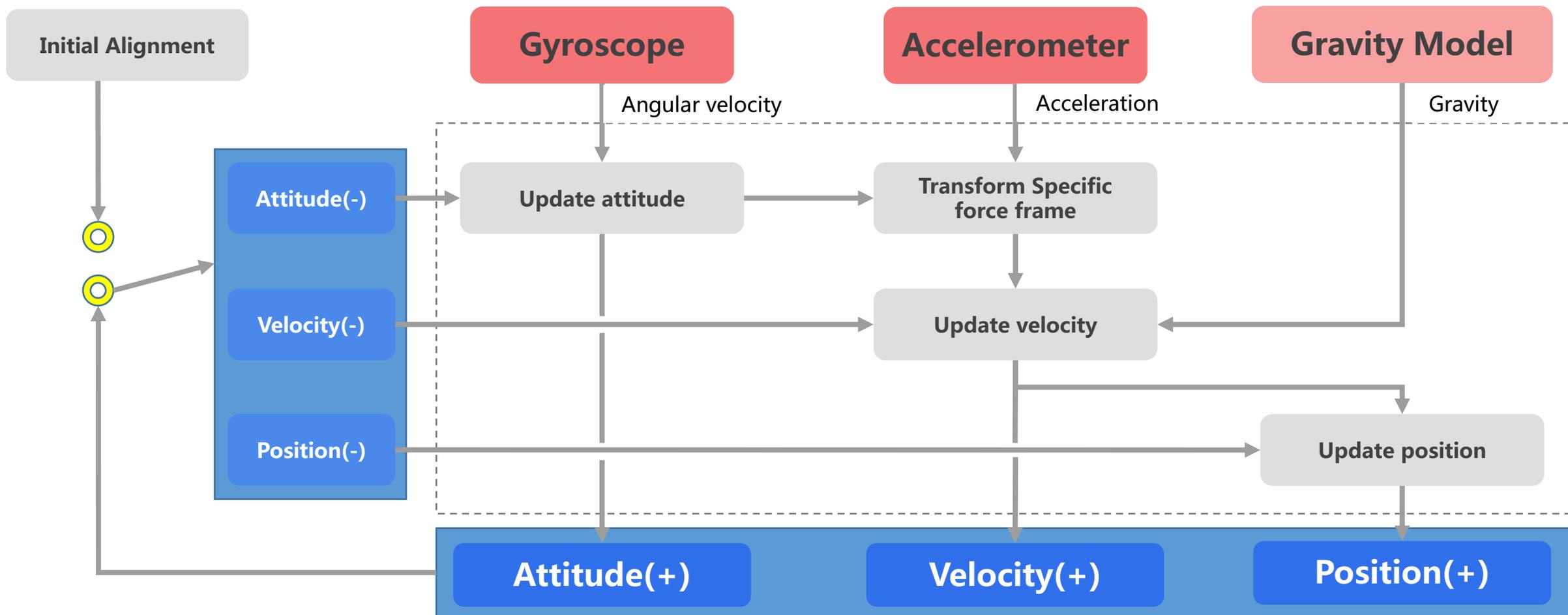
- No external dependences
- High frequency

Disadvantage

- Accumulated error
- Initial alignment required

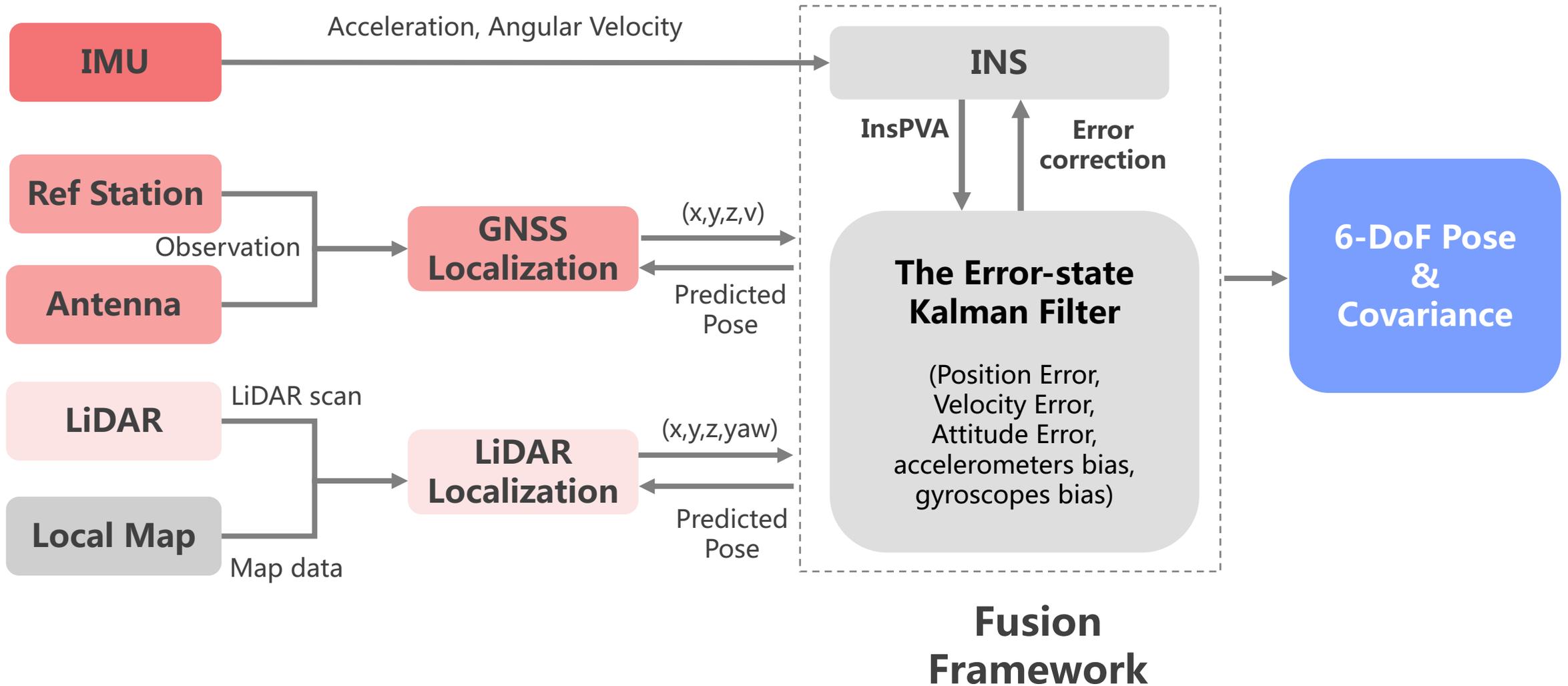
Grade	Price \$	Accel-meter Bias [mg]	Gyroscope Bias [deg/h]	Horizontal Position Error			
				1s	10s	60s	1hr
Marine	Millions	0.01	0.001	0.005cm	0.5cm	18cm	<50m
Aviation	Hundred thousands	0.03-0.1	0.01	0.017cm	0.17cm	60cm	<1.5km
Intermediate	Ten thousands	0.1-1	0.1	0.05cm	5cm	1m	--
Tactical	Thousands	1-10	1-100	3cm	25cm	--	--
Automotive	Ones	>10	>100	5cm	5m	--	--

Solution – Inertial Navigation System (INS)



Multi-sensor Fusion

Multi-sensor Fusion based Localization



ICRA 2018 | Robust and Precise Vehicle Localization based on Multi-sensor Fusion in Diverse City Scenes
Demo Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wRs_TaAfUk

Resources

Open Platform and Papers, Books



www.github.com/apolloauto



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- L3-Net: Towards Learning based LiDAR Localization for Autonomous Driving, CVPR, 2019.



Books

- S. Thrun, W. Burgard, D. Fox, Probabilistic Robotics
- T. Barfoot, State Estimation for Robotics
- P. D. Groves, Principles of GNSS, Inertial, and Multisensor Integrated Navigation Systems

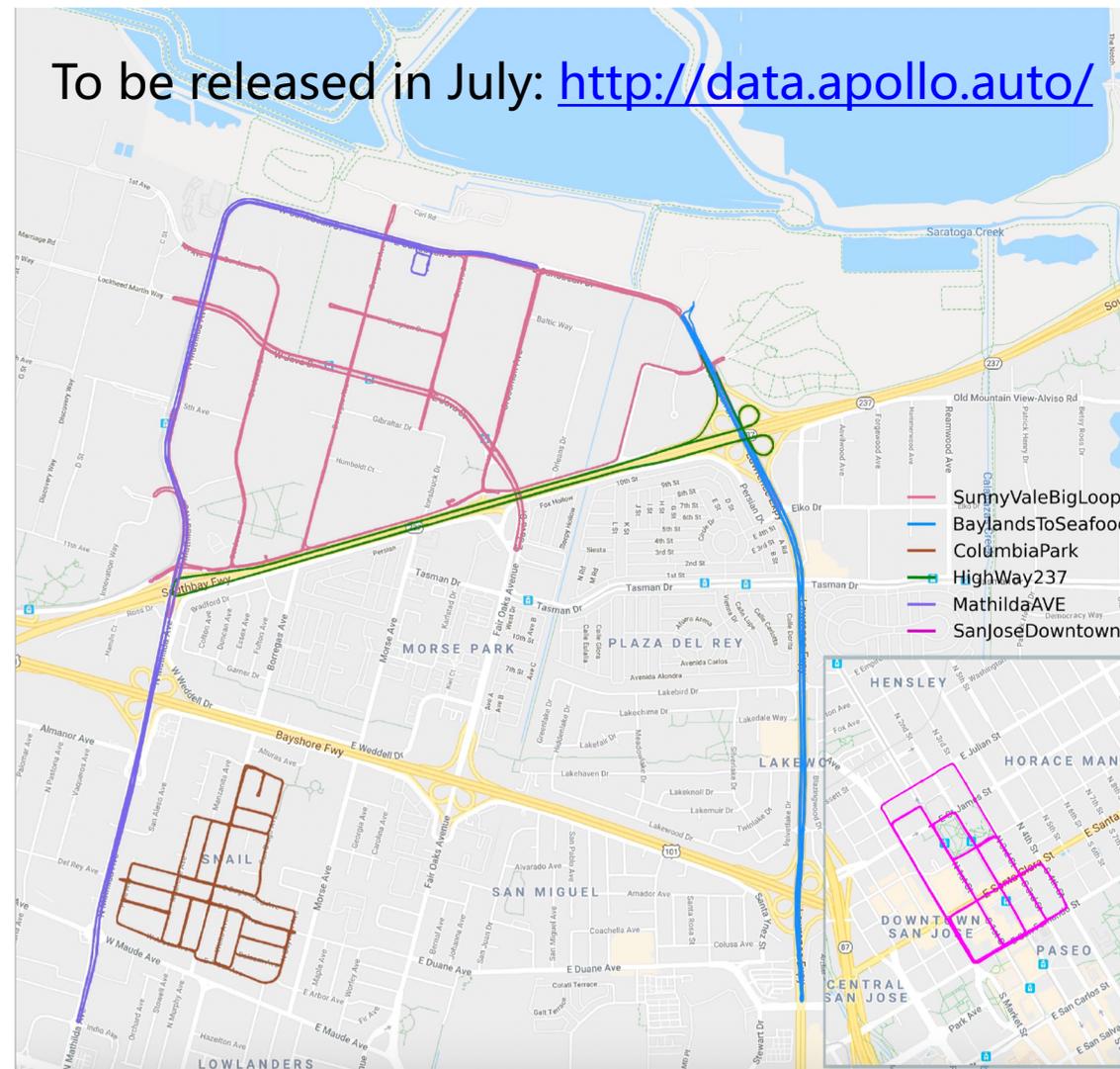
Inside Apollo: Test Scripts

- How to build a localization map using demo data at Apollo Data Open Platform (<http://data.apollo.auto>)
https://github.com/ApolloAuto/apollo/blob/master/docs/howto/how_to_generate_local_map_for_MSF_localization_module.md
- How to run MSF localization module using demo data at Apollo Data Open Platform (<http://data.apollo.auto>)
https://github.com/ApolloAuto/apollo/blob/master/docs/howto/how_to_run_MSF_localization_module_on_your_local_computer.md



Localization Dataset: Apollo-SouthBay

Datasets	Length	Ground Truth	360° LiDAR	Multiple Trials
Ford Campus	5.1km	✓	✓	✗
KITTI	39.2km	✓	✓	✗
Oxford RobotCar	1000.0km	✓	✗	✓
Apollo-SouthBay	380.5km	✓	✓	✓



Sensors:

- Velodyne HDL-64E LiDAR
- NovAtel ProPak 6 and IMU-ISA-100C
- 1080P 15Hz Camera Images.



Thank You !