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# OrienterNet



## Visual Localization in 2D Public Maps with Neural Matching

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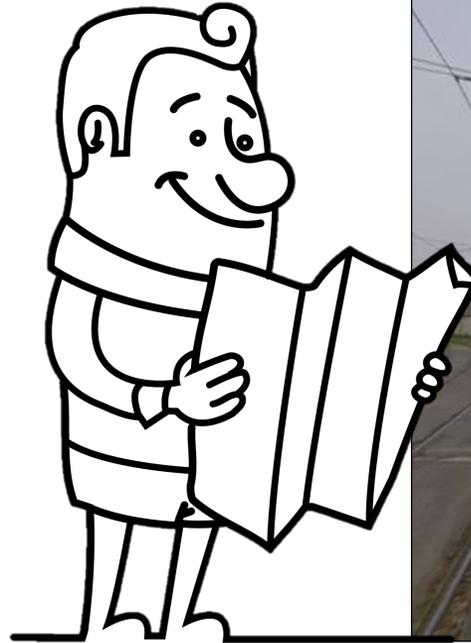
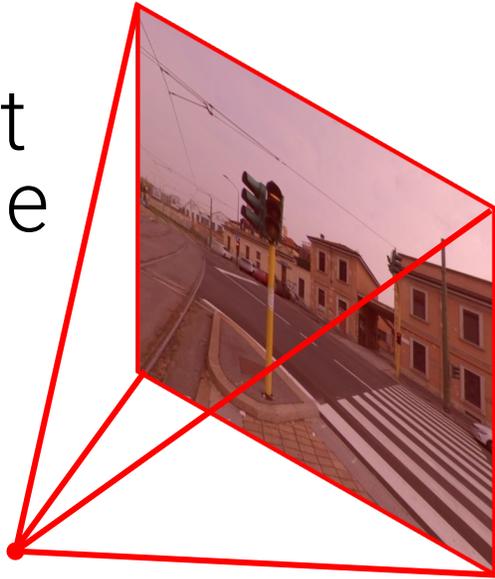
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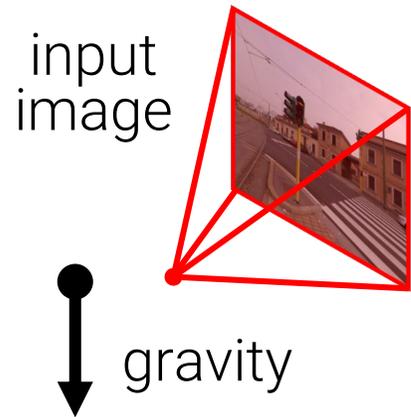
# Humans use simple 2D maps

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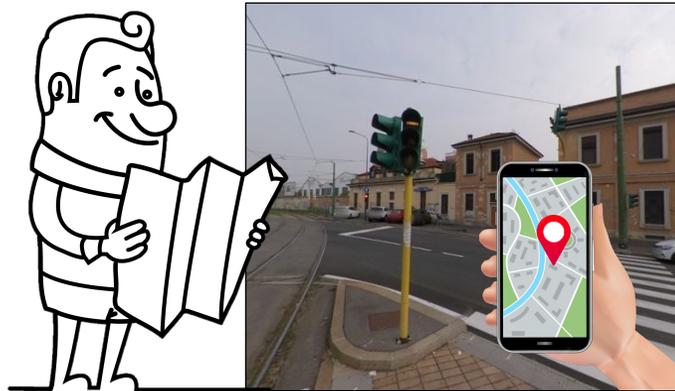
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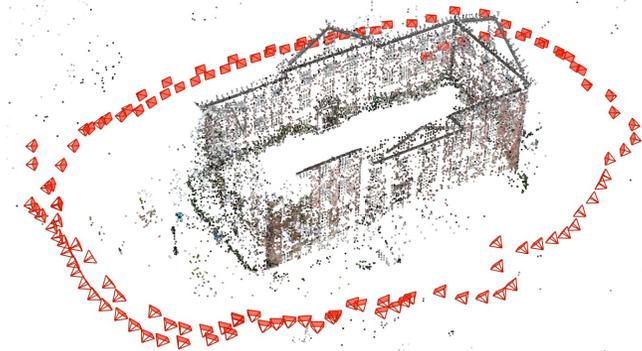
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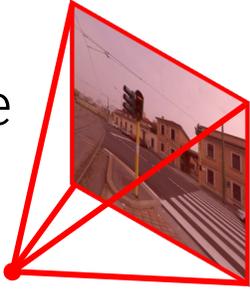


Existing algorithms:  
3D point clouds



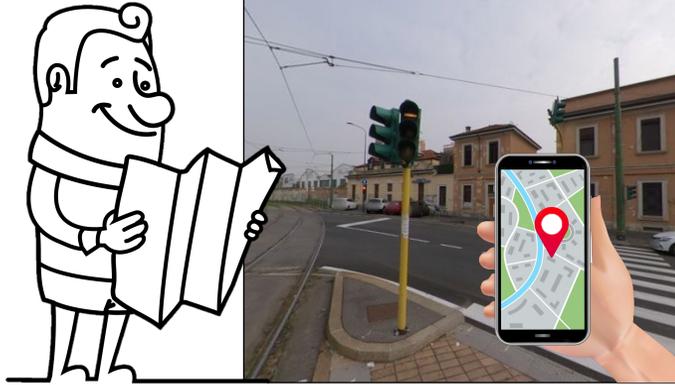
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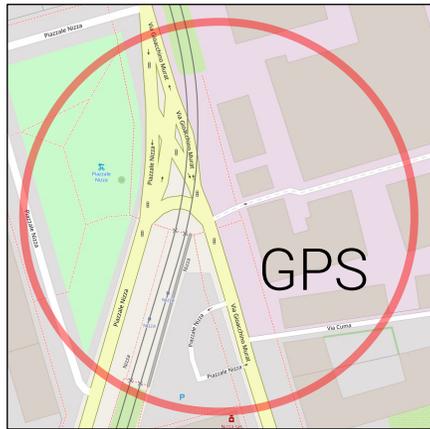
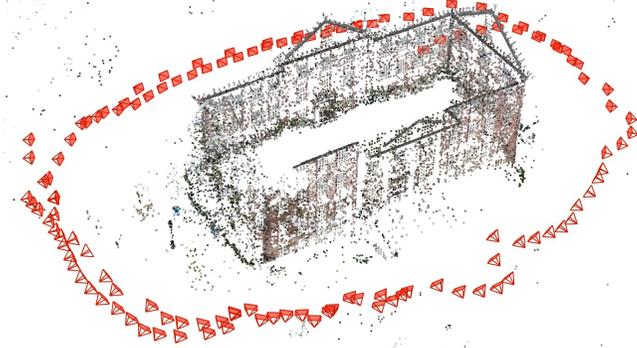


gravity

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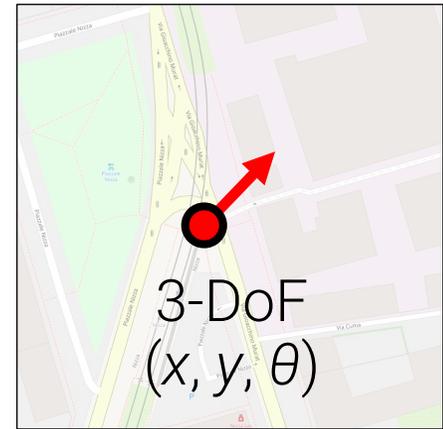
GPS



OpenStreetMap



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3-DoF  
( $x, y, \theta$ )

camera pose

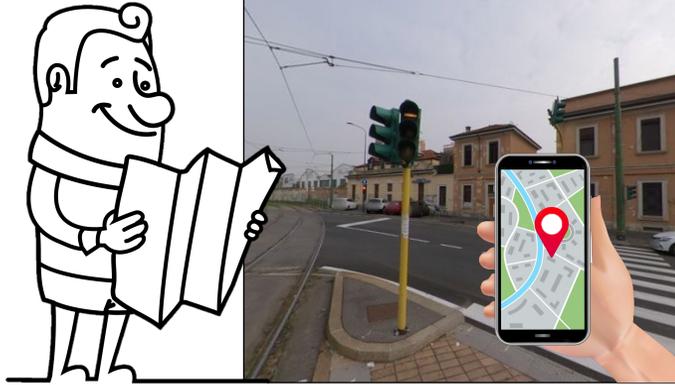
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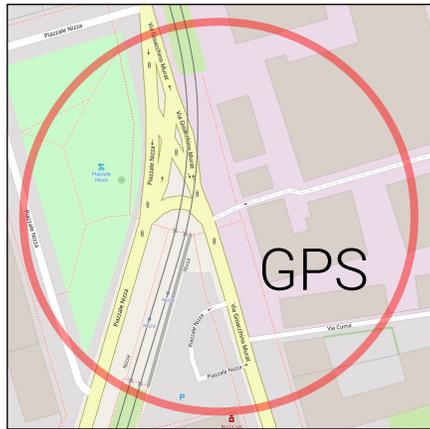
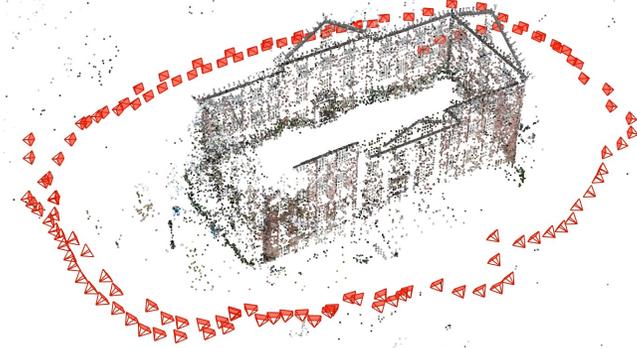


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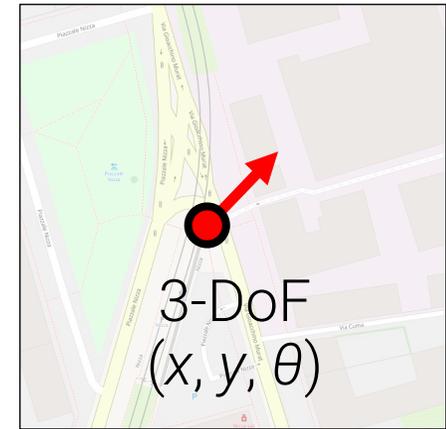


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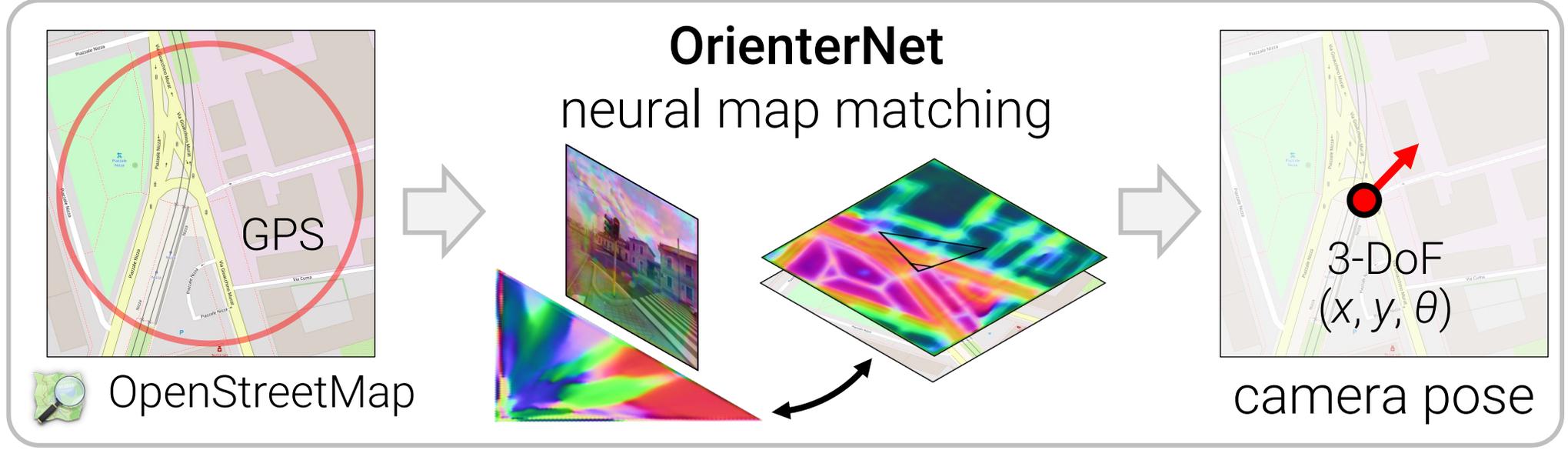
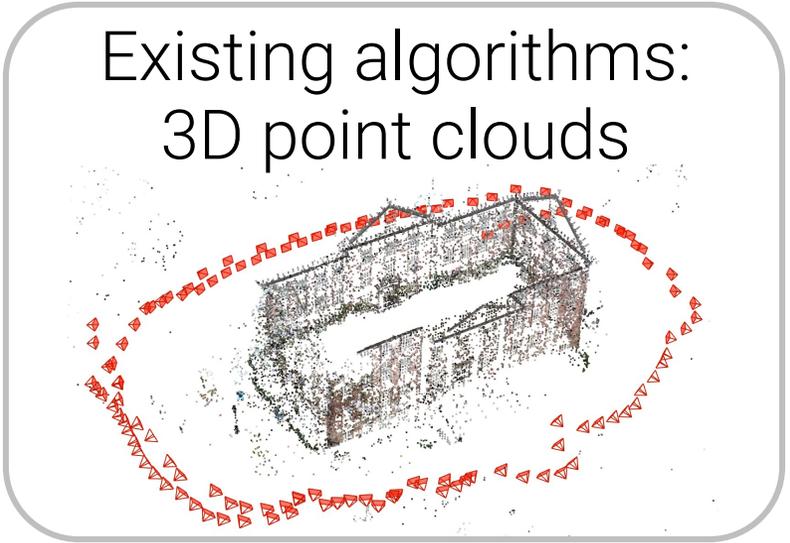
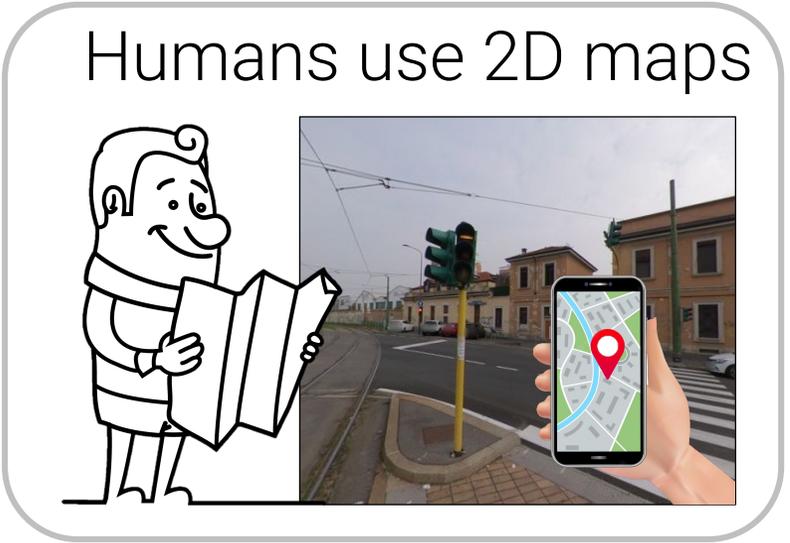
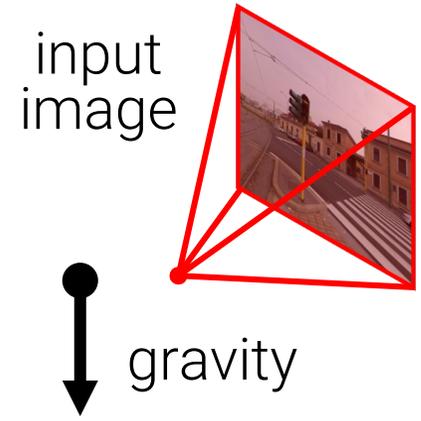
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neural map matching



camera pose

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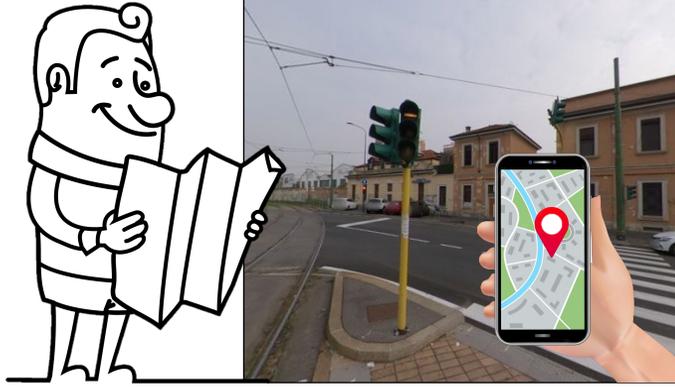
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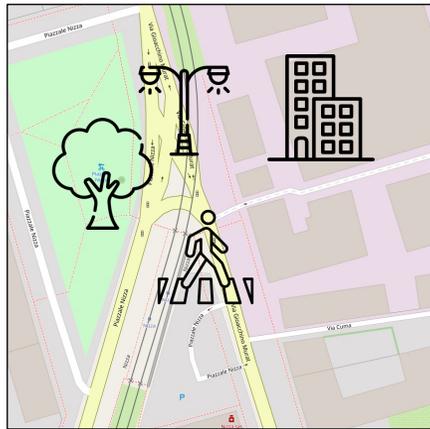
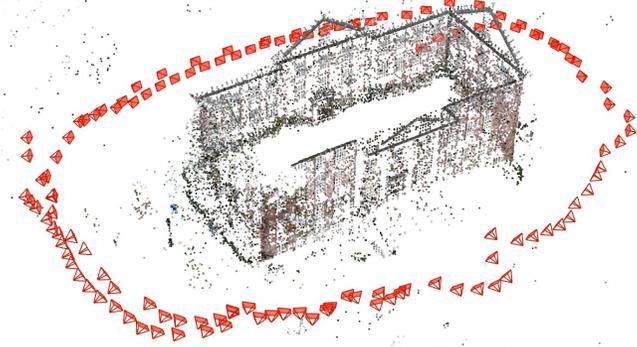


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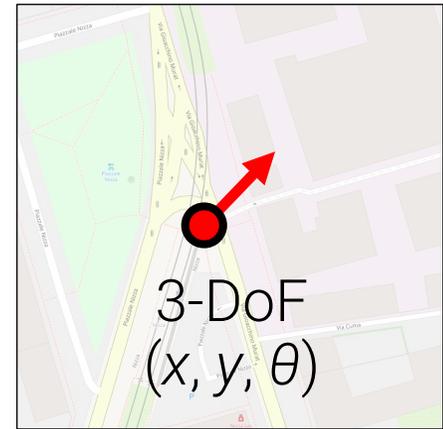
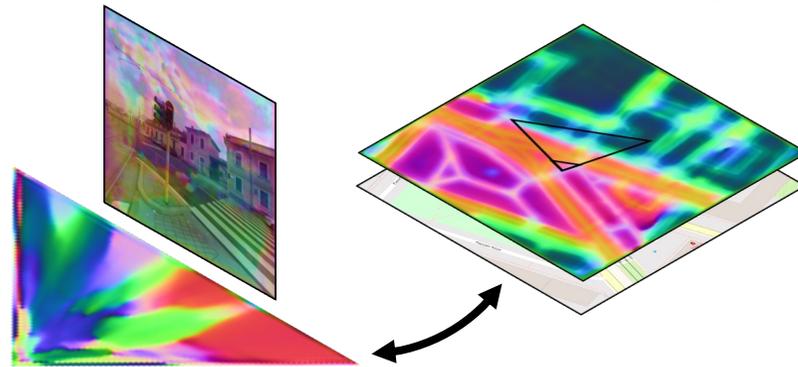
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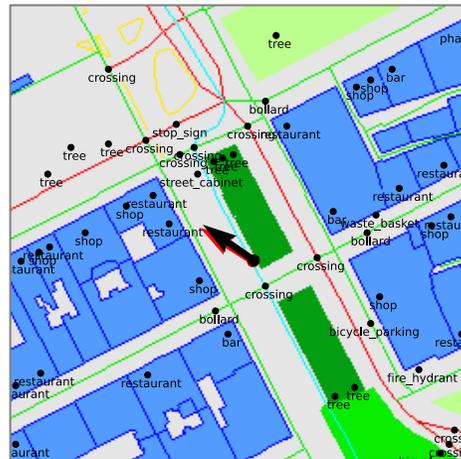
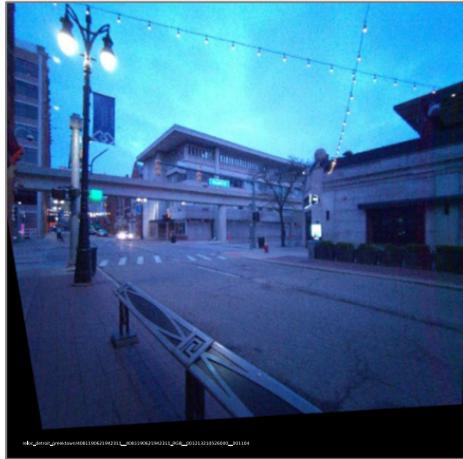
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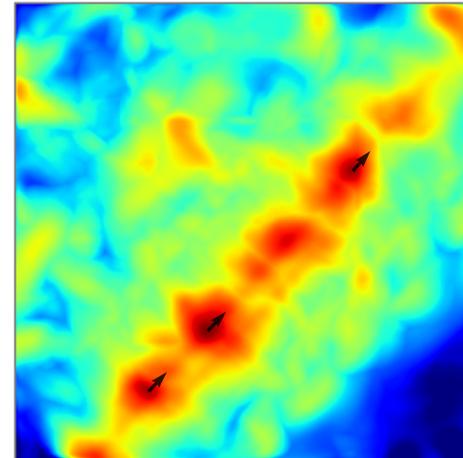
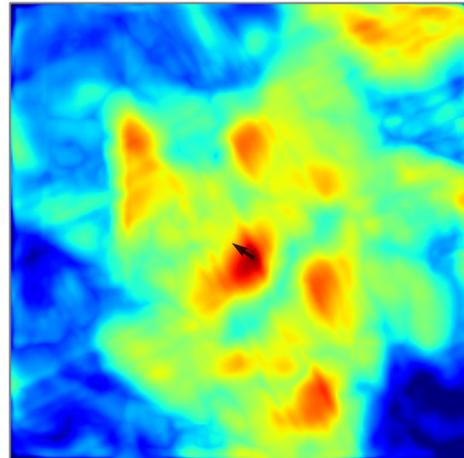
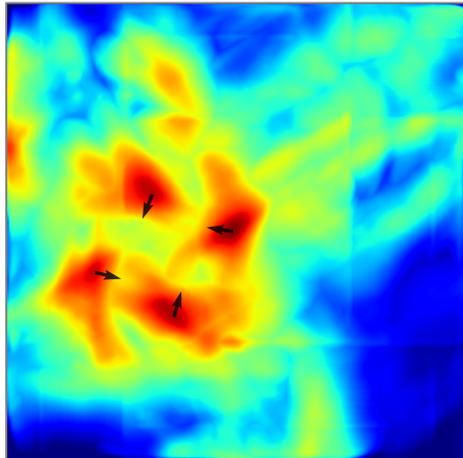
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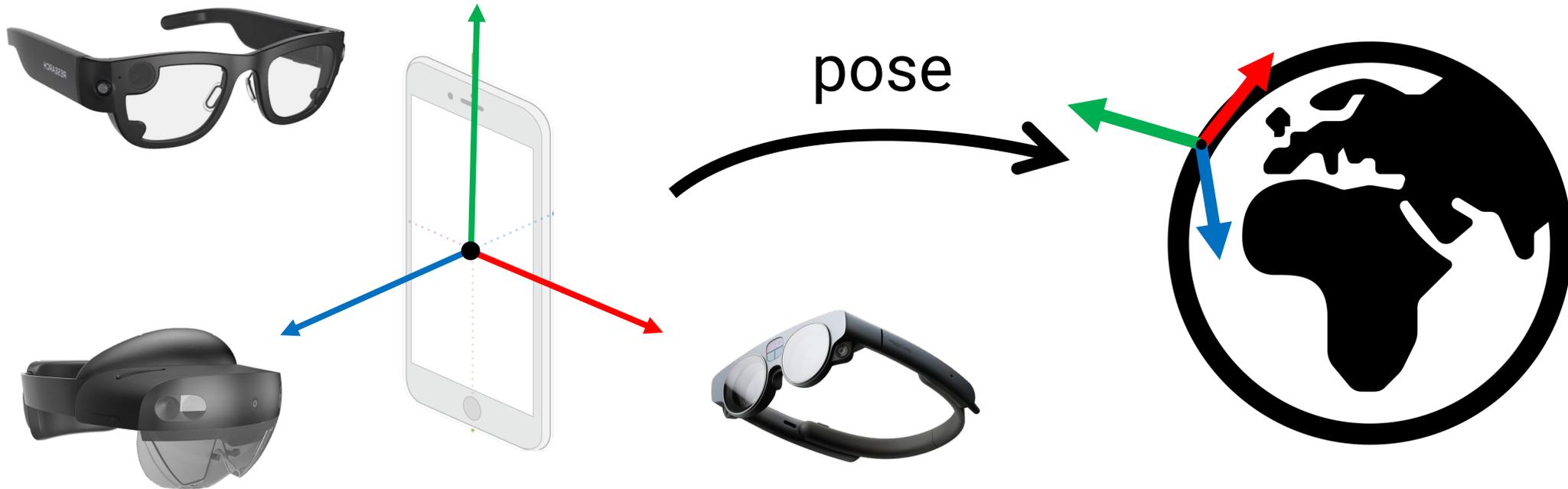
KITTI



# Positioning

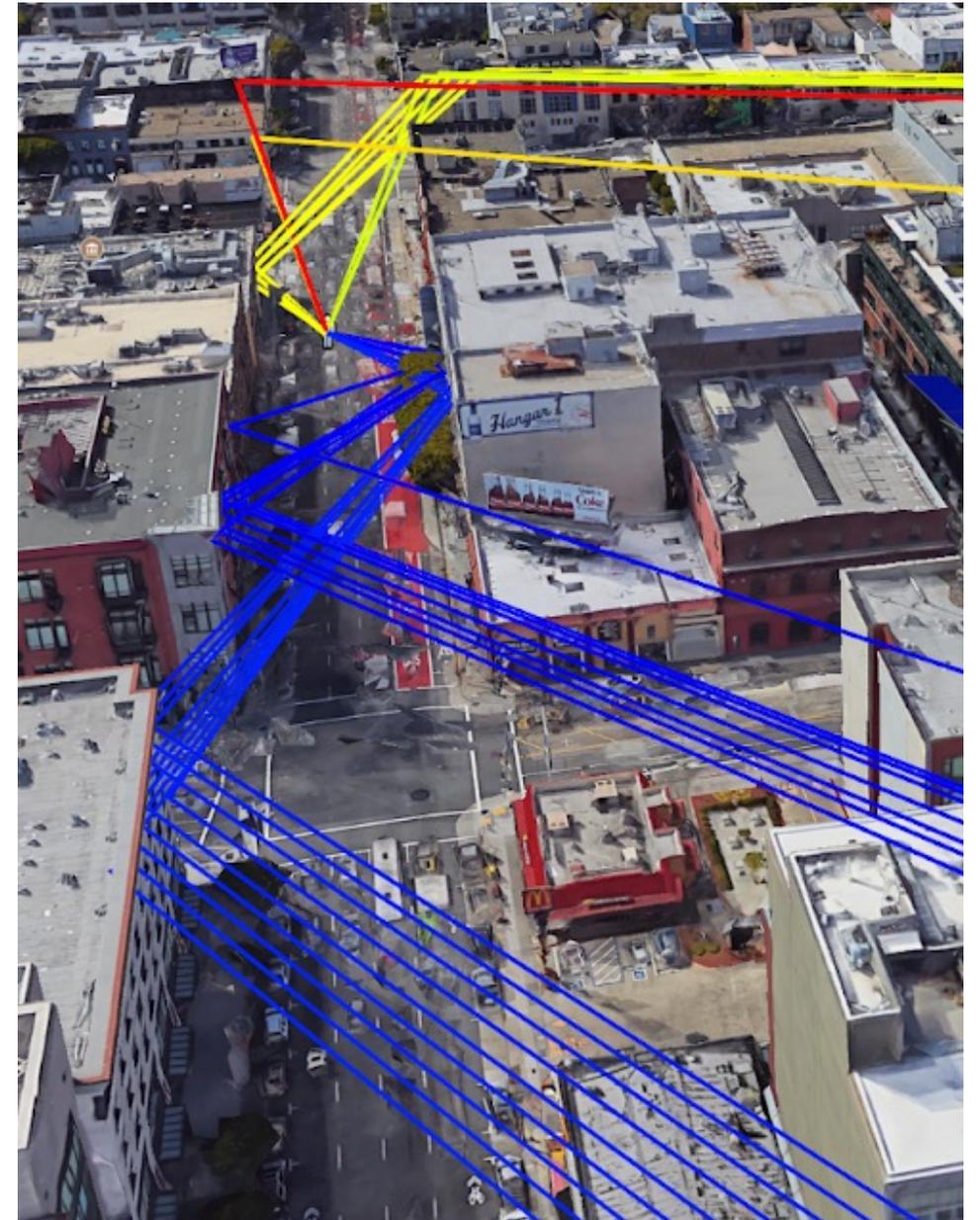
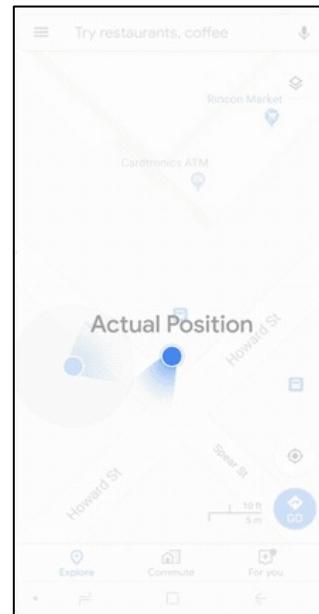
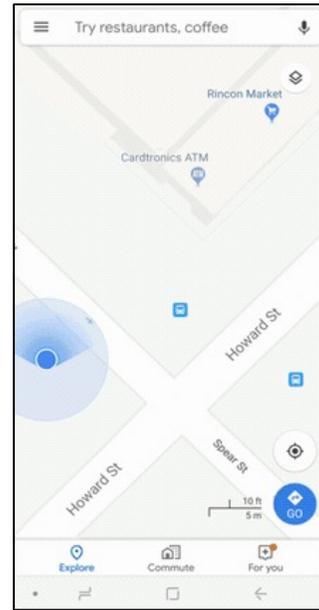
Recover the 6-DoF pose of the device

- 3D translation + rotation
- global reference frame

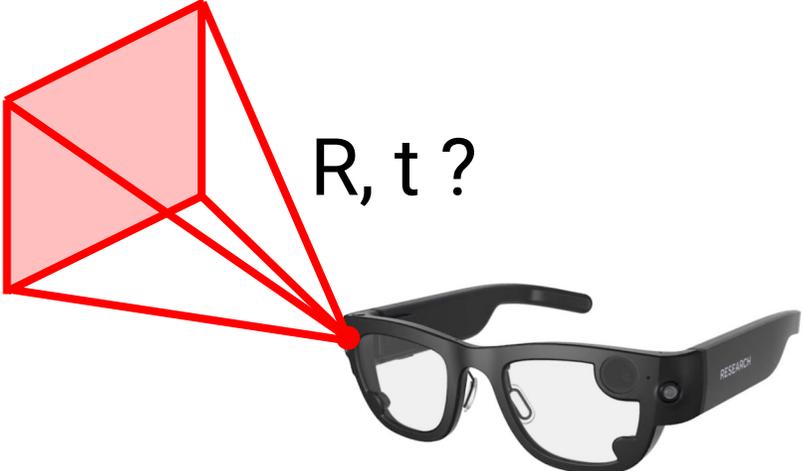


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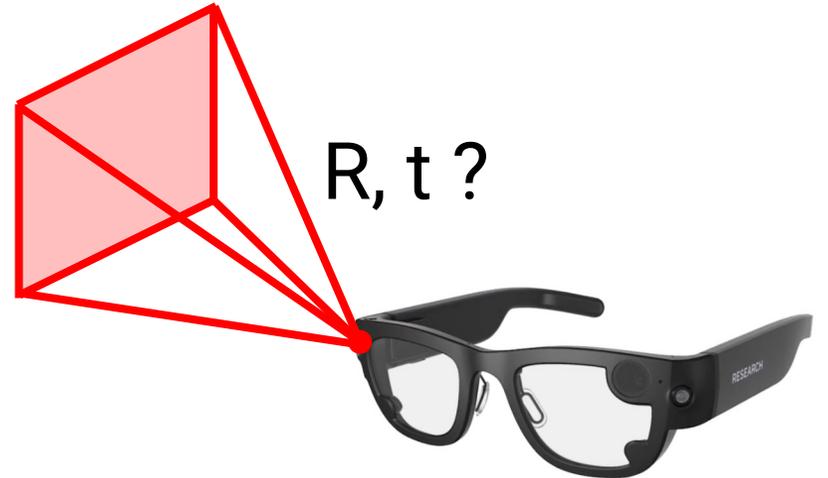
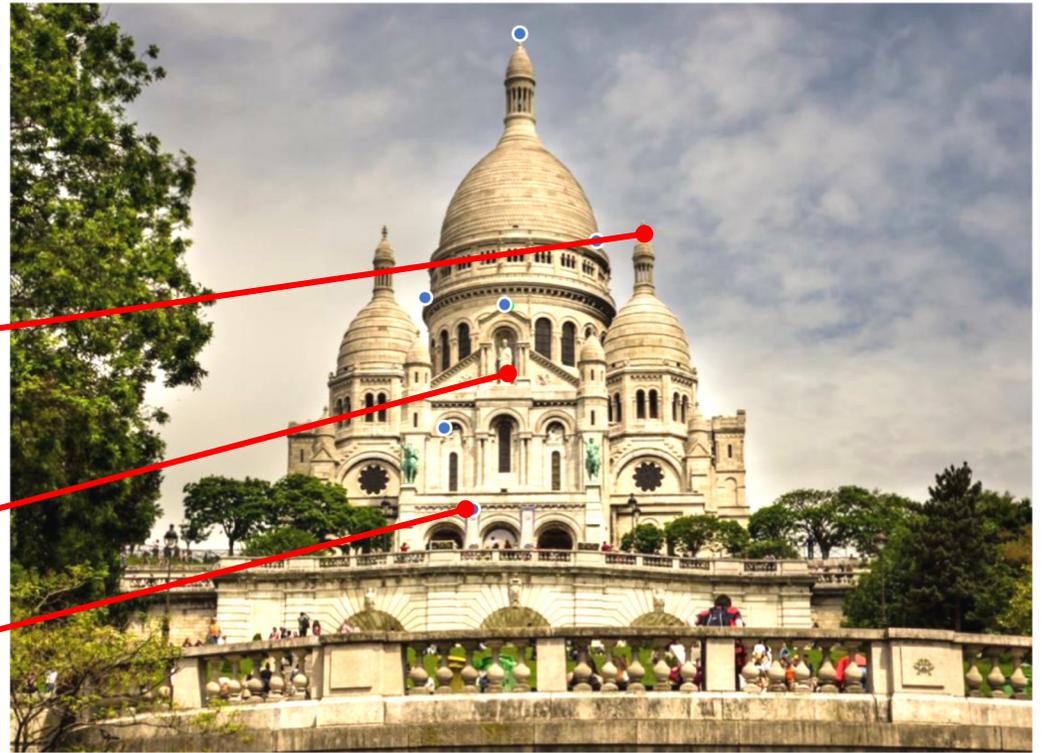
- Low accuracy
- Only 3 DoF
- Commonly unreliable:  
urban canyon,  
metal structures



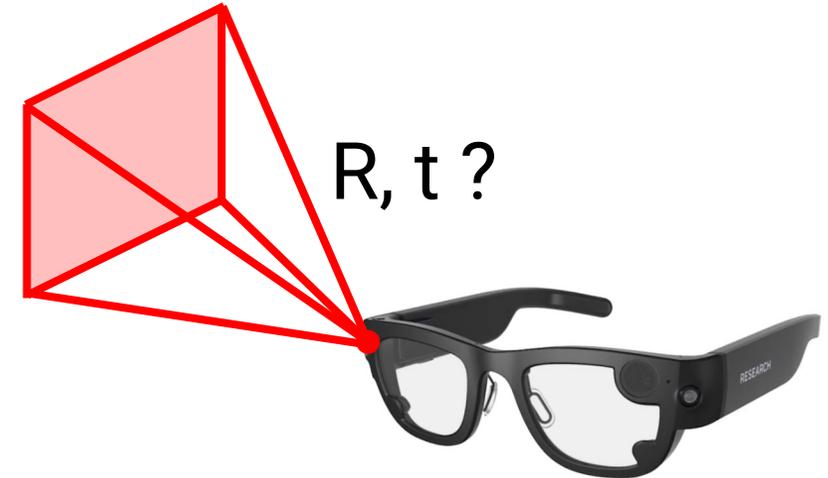
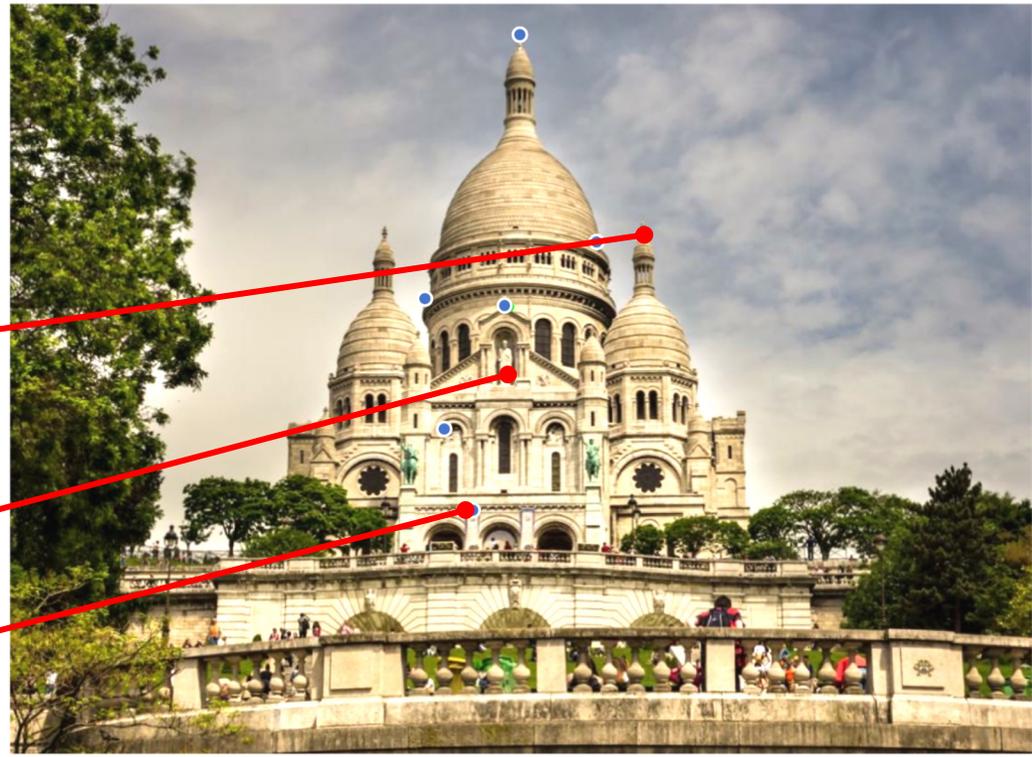
Google Maps



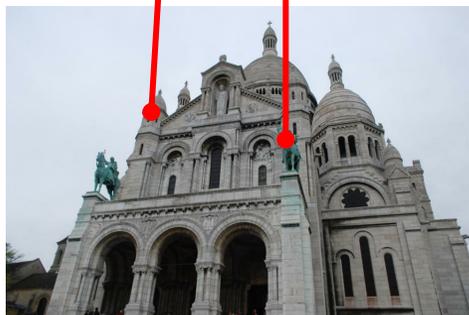
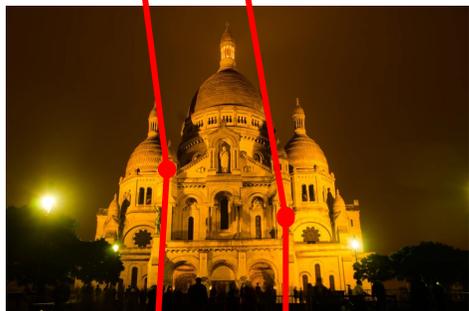
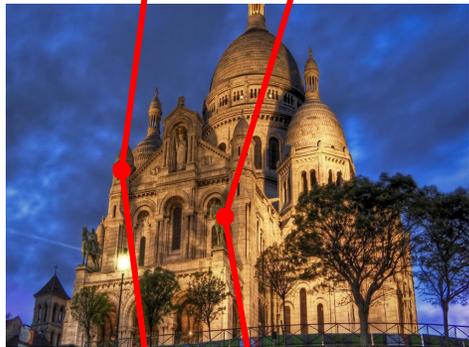
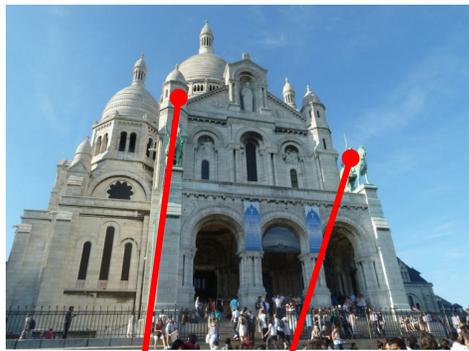
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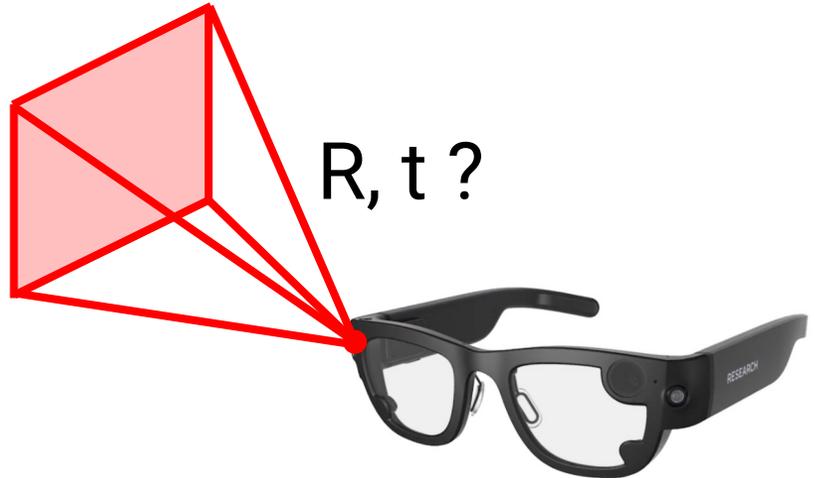
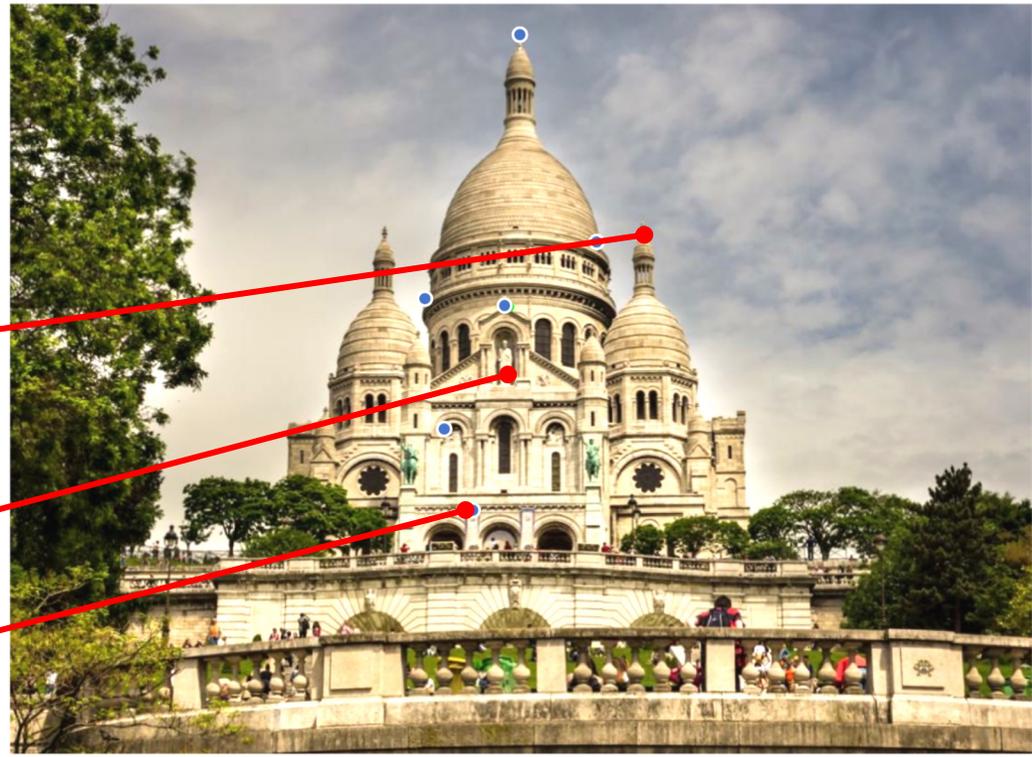
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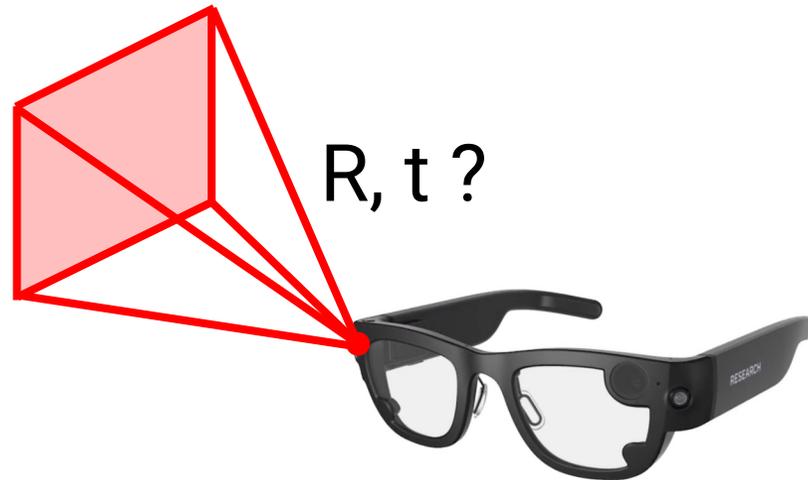
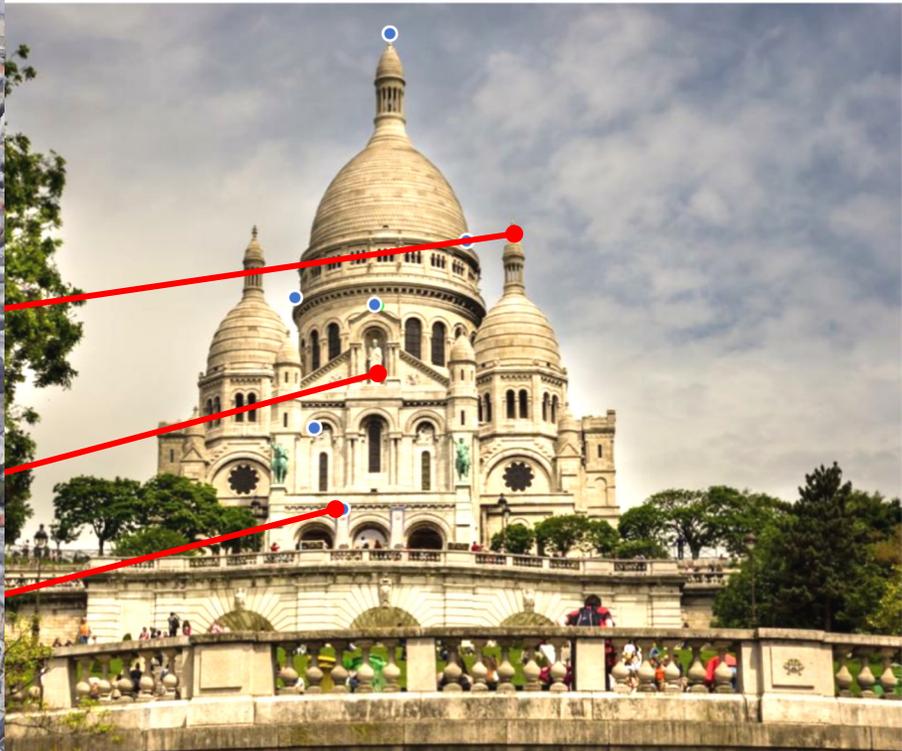
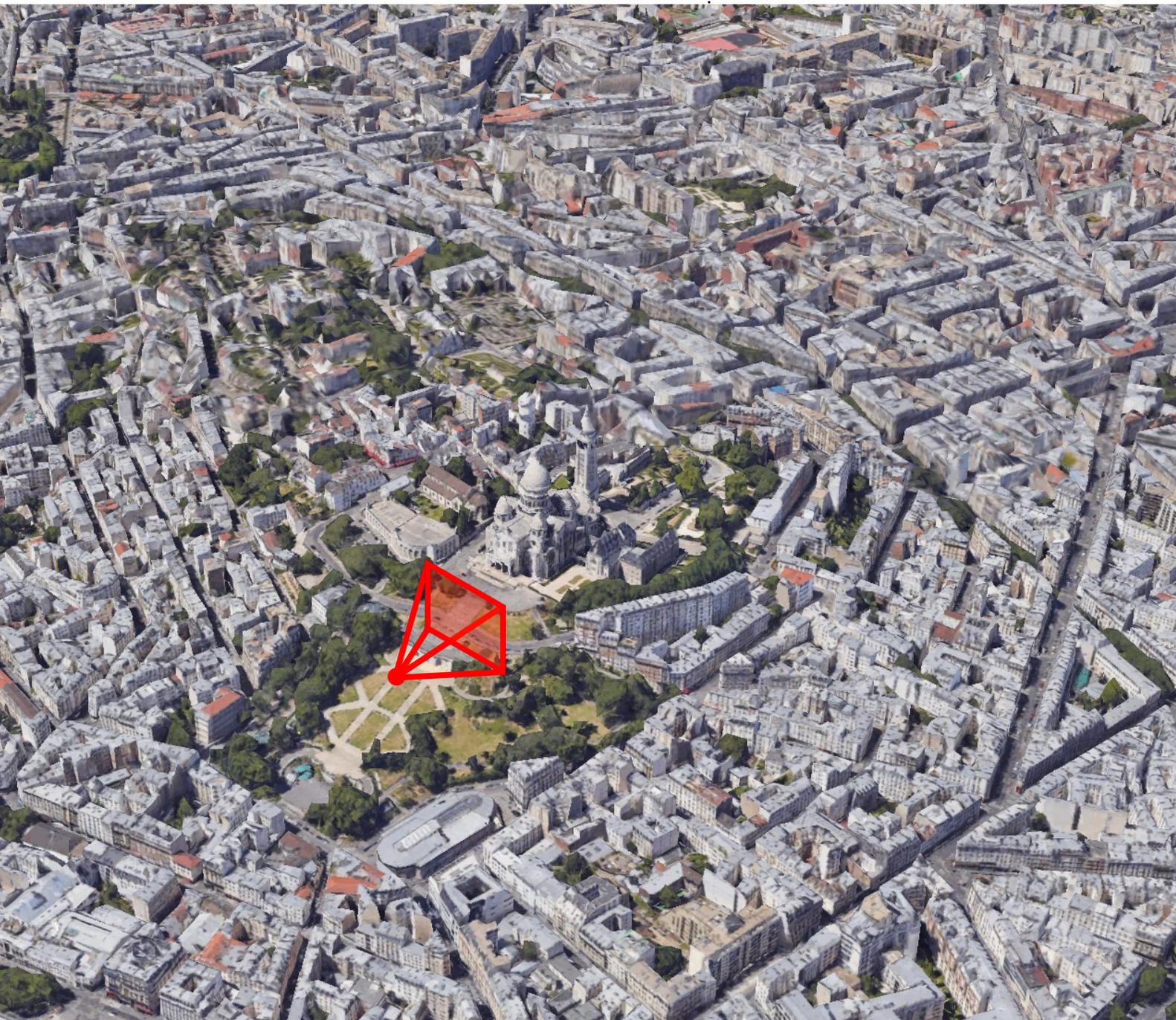
6-DoF Localization



Structure-from-Motion



6-DoF Localization



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# Limitations of 3D maps

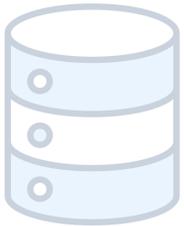


**Build  
& update**

Mapping fleet  
Frequent updates



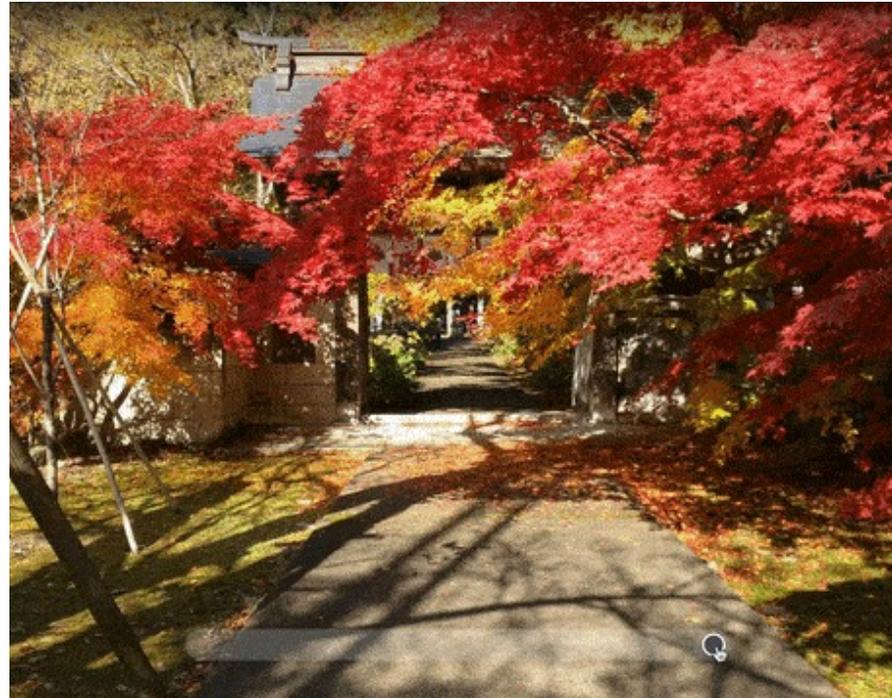
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Storage



Privacy

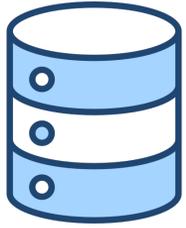


Mapillary

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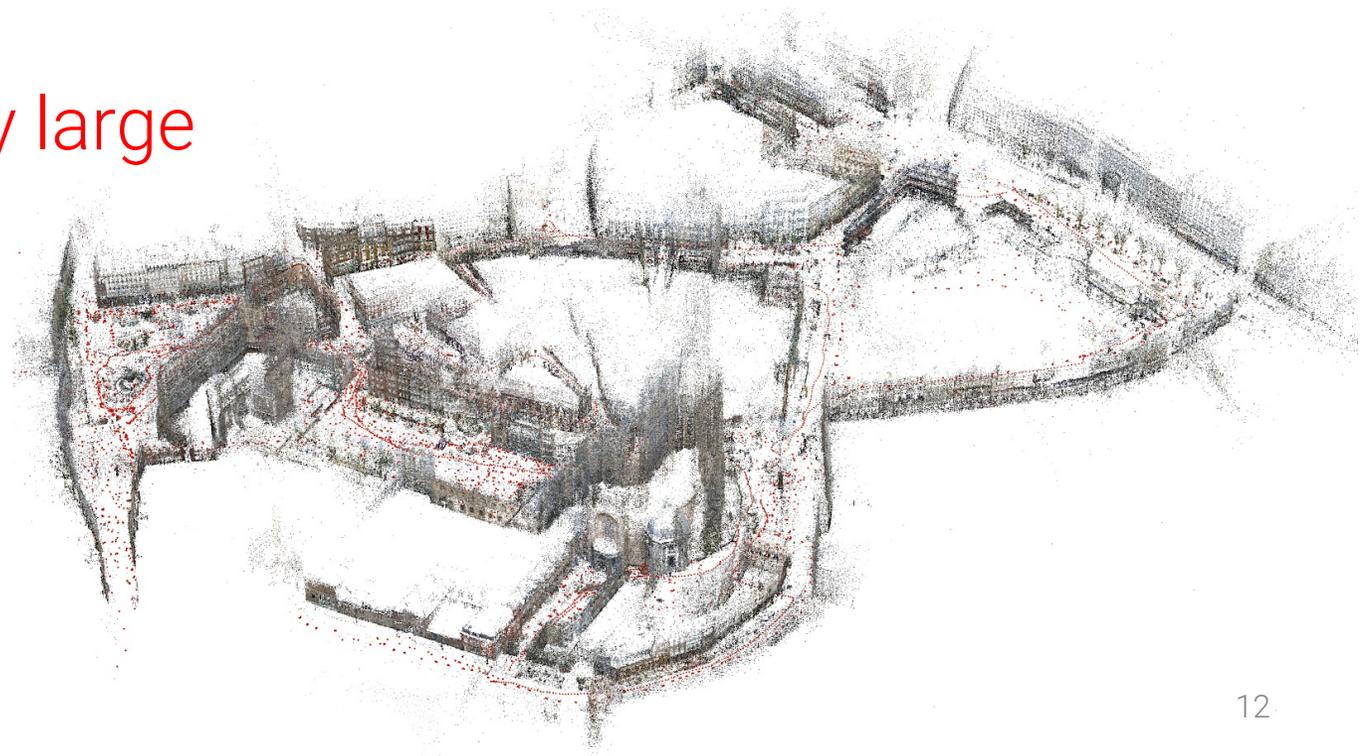


**Storage**

Very large



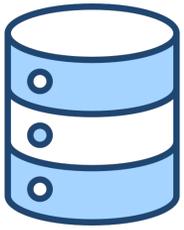
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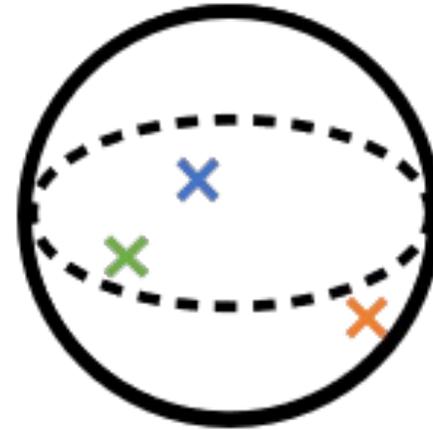


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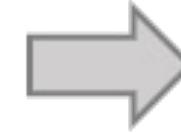
keypoints



descriptors



inversion



reconstruction



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Risk of inversion

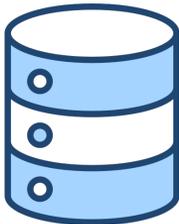
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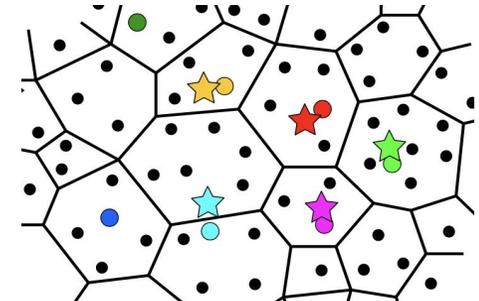
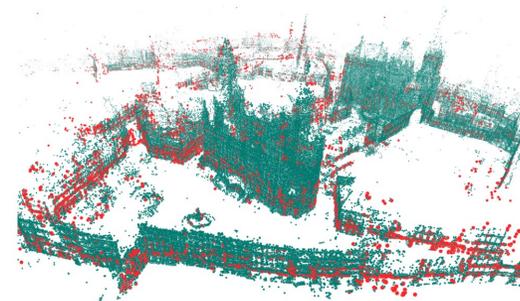
Mapping fleet  
Frequent updates

Compression  
& Quantization



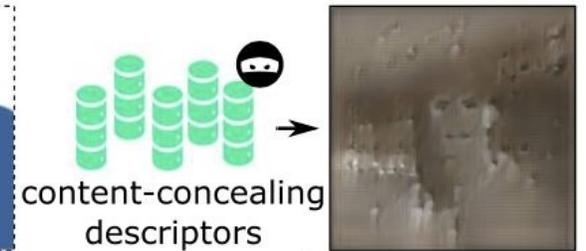
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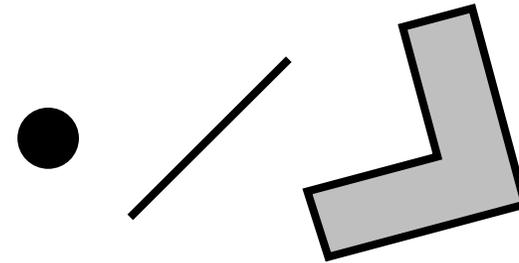


Privacy-preserving descriptors

# Semantic 2D maps



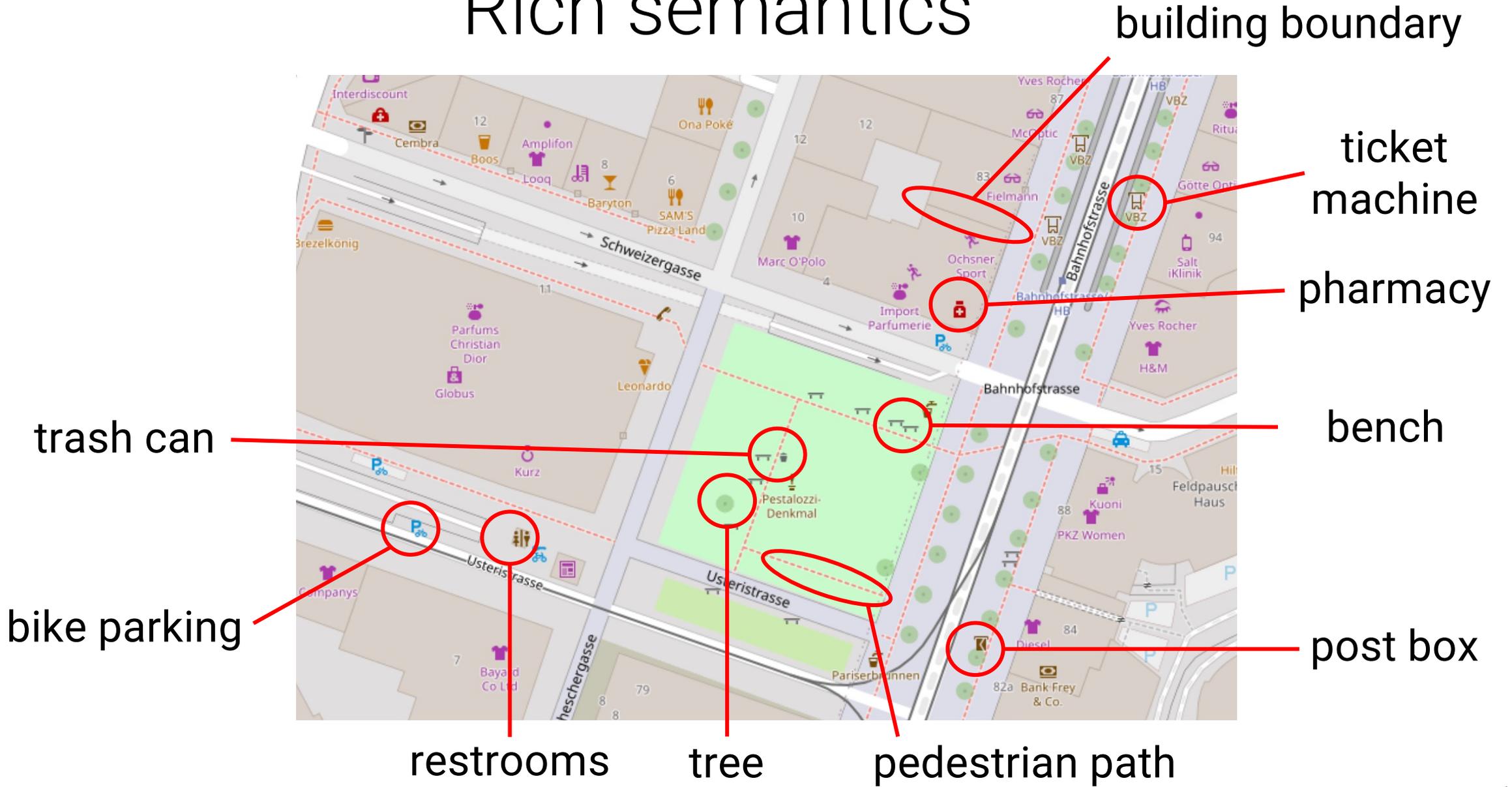
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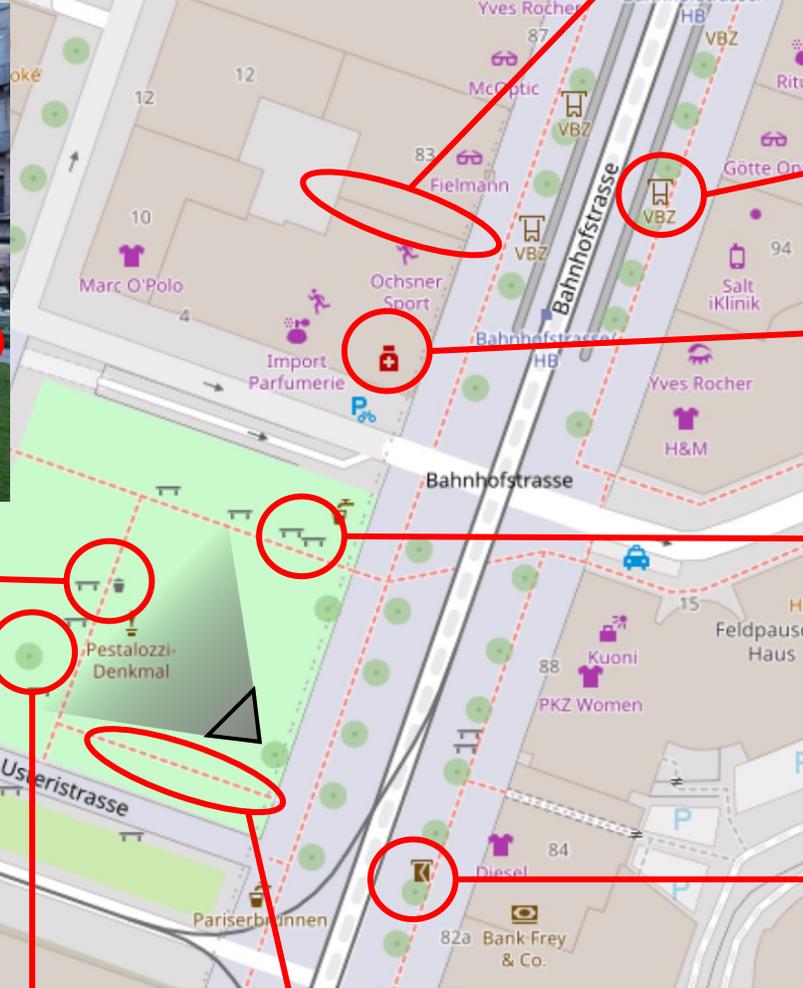
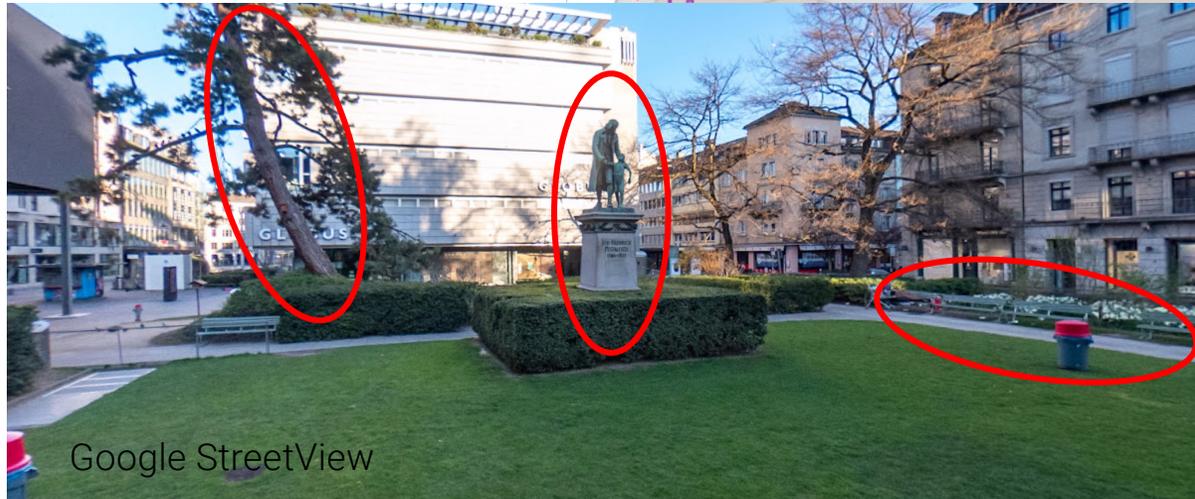
OpenStreetMap



# Rich semantics



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building boundary

ticket machine

pharmacy

bench

post box

trash can

bike parking

restrooms

tree

pedestrian path

## 3D maps

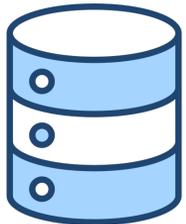
## 2D maps



Build  
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Mapping fleet  
Frequent updates

Public  
No appearance updates



Storage

Very large

Compact  
Transfer on-device



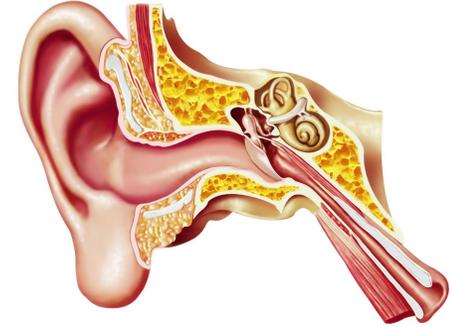
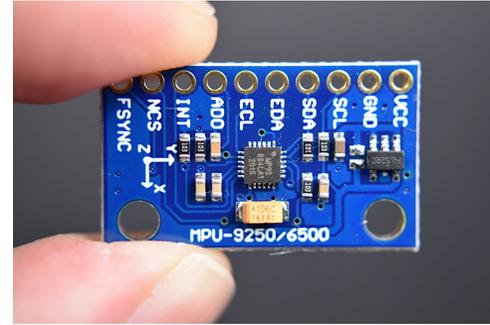
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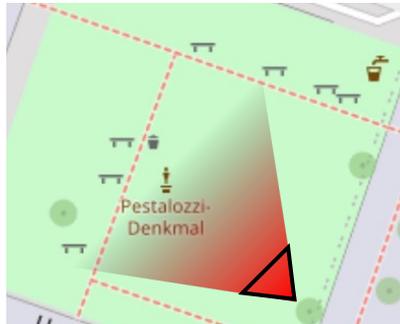
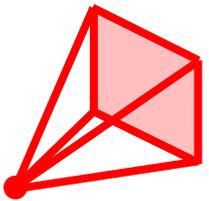
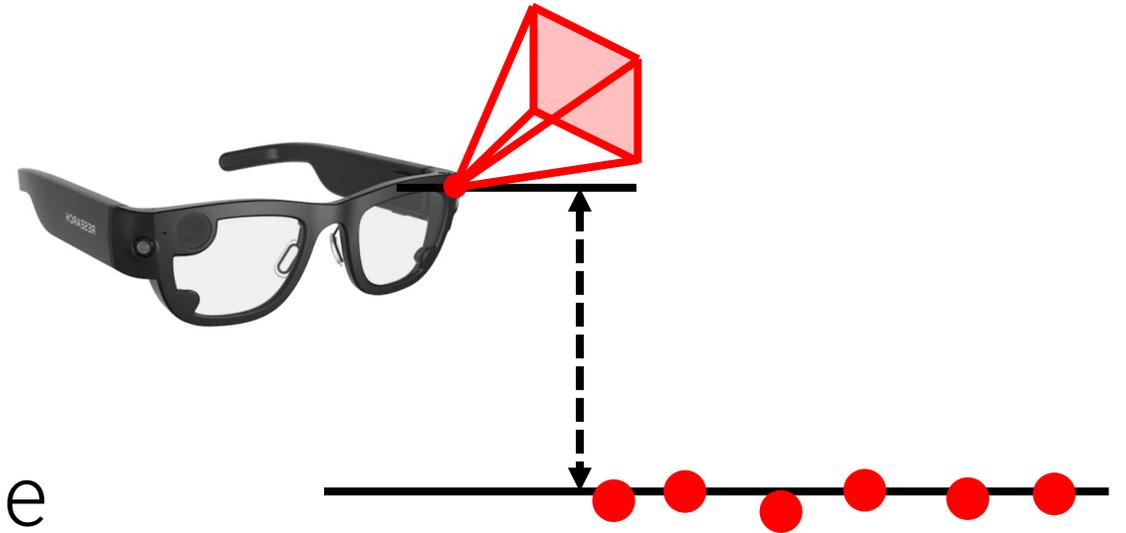
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# Simplifying assumptions

- Known gravity direction



- Unnecessary vertical position



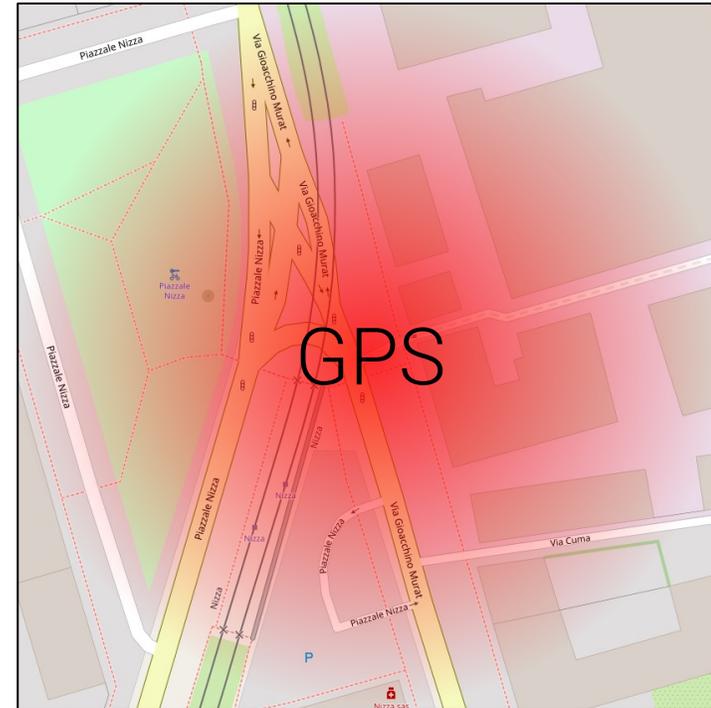
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# Problem setup



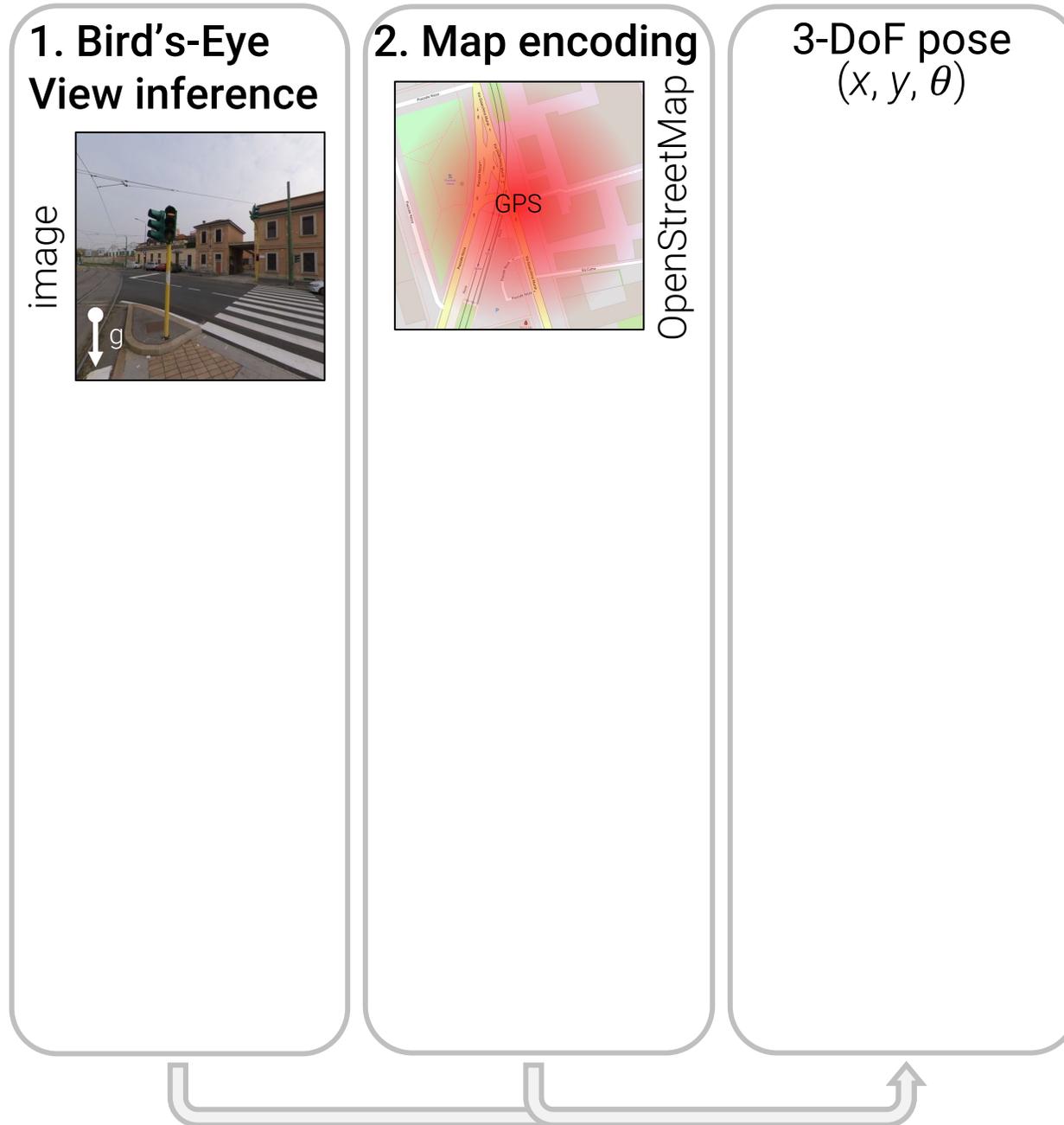
image  
+ gravity

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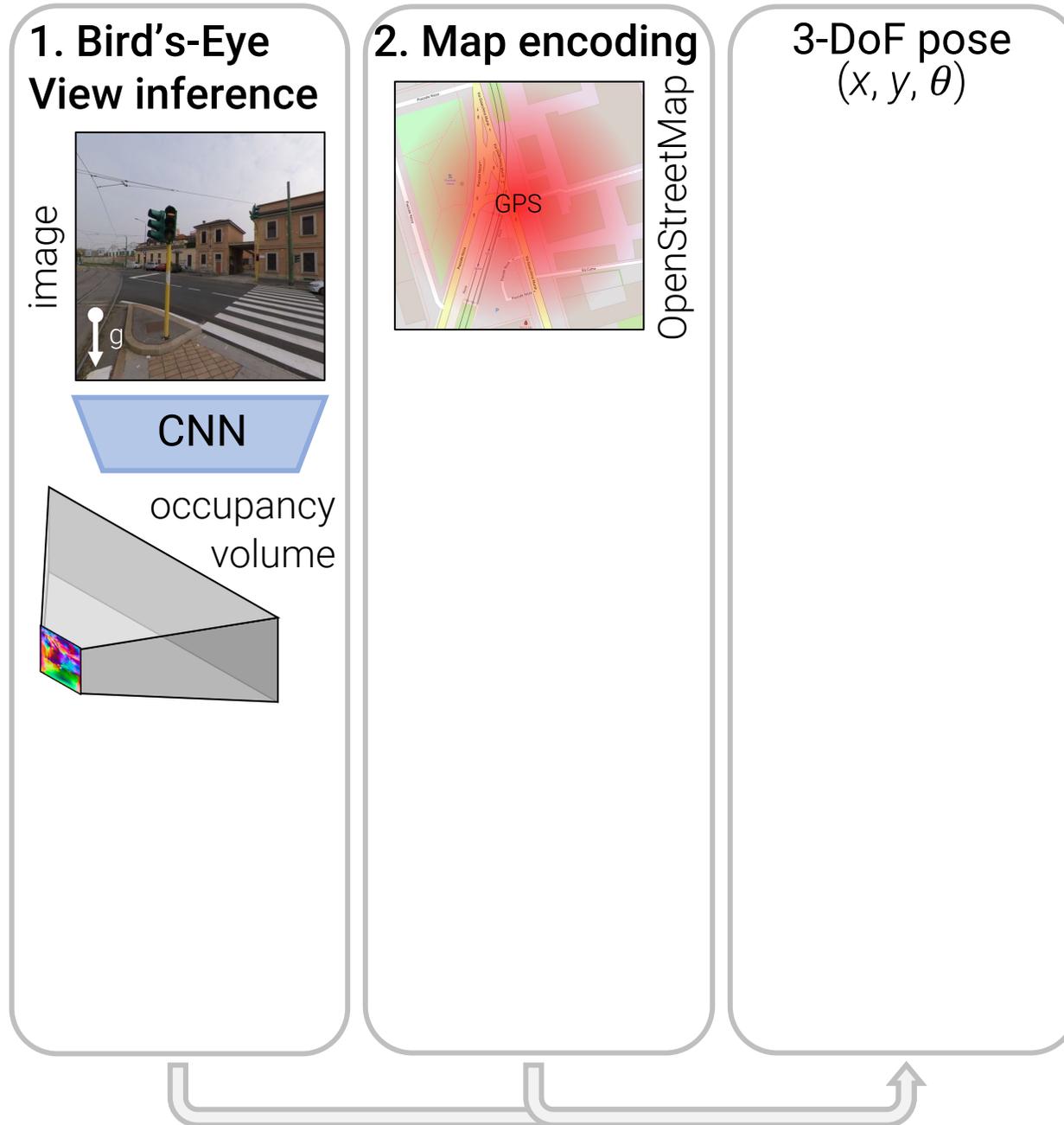


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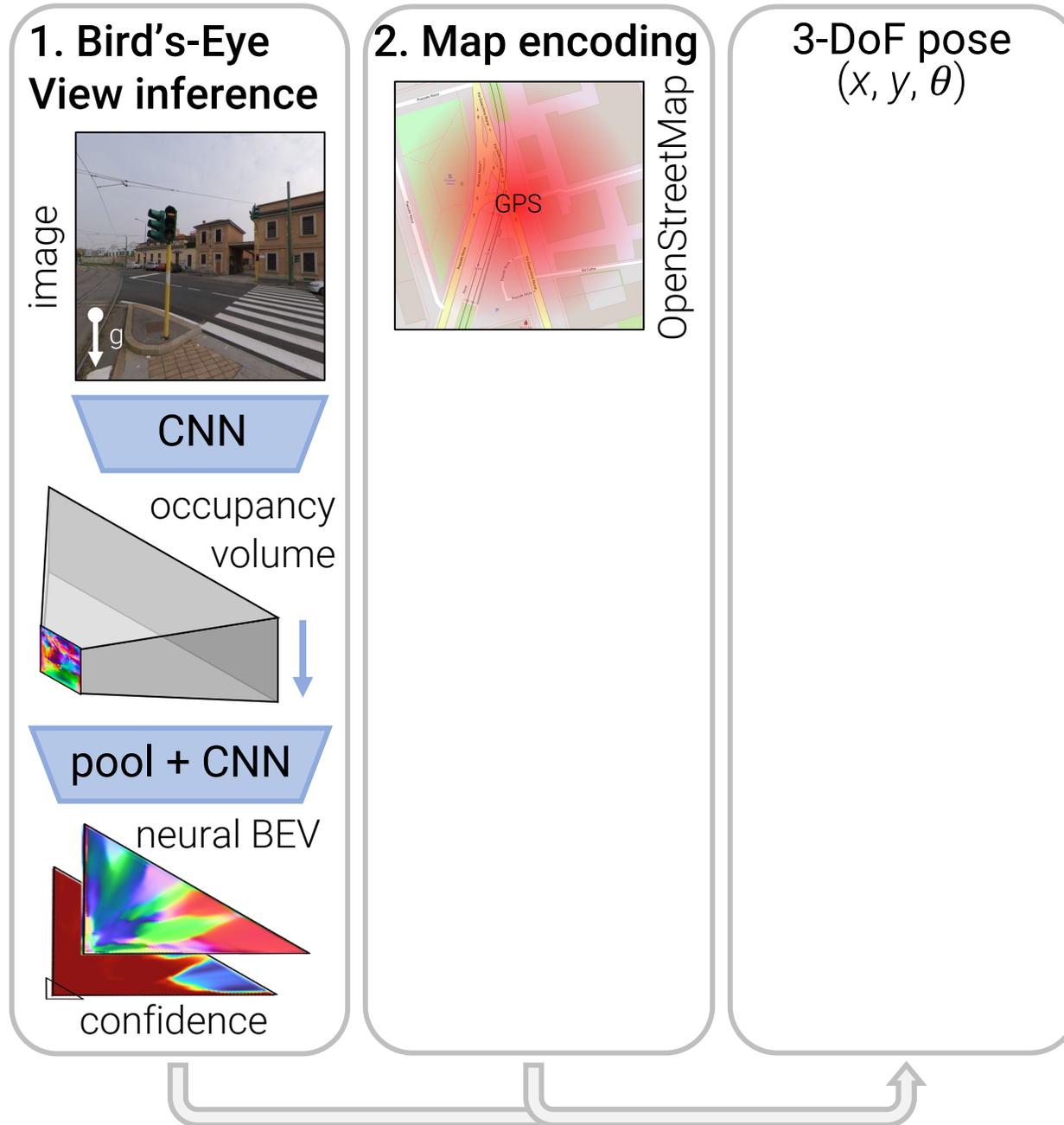
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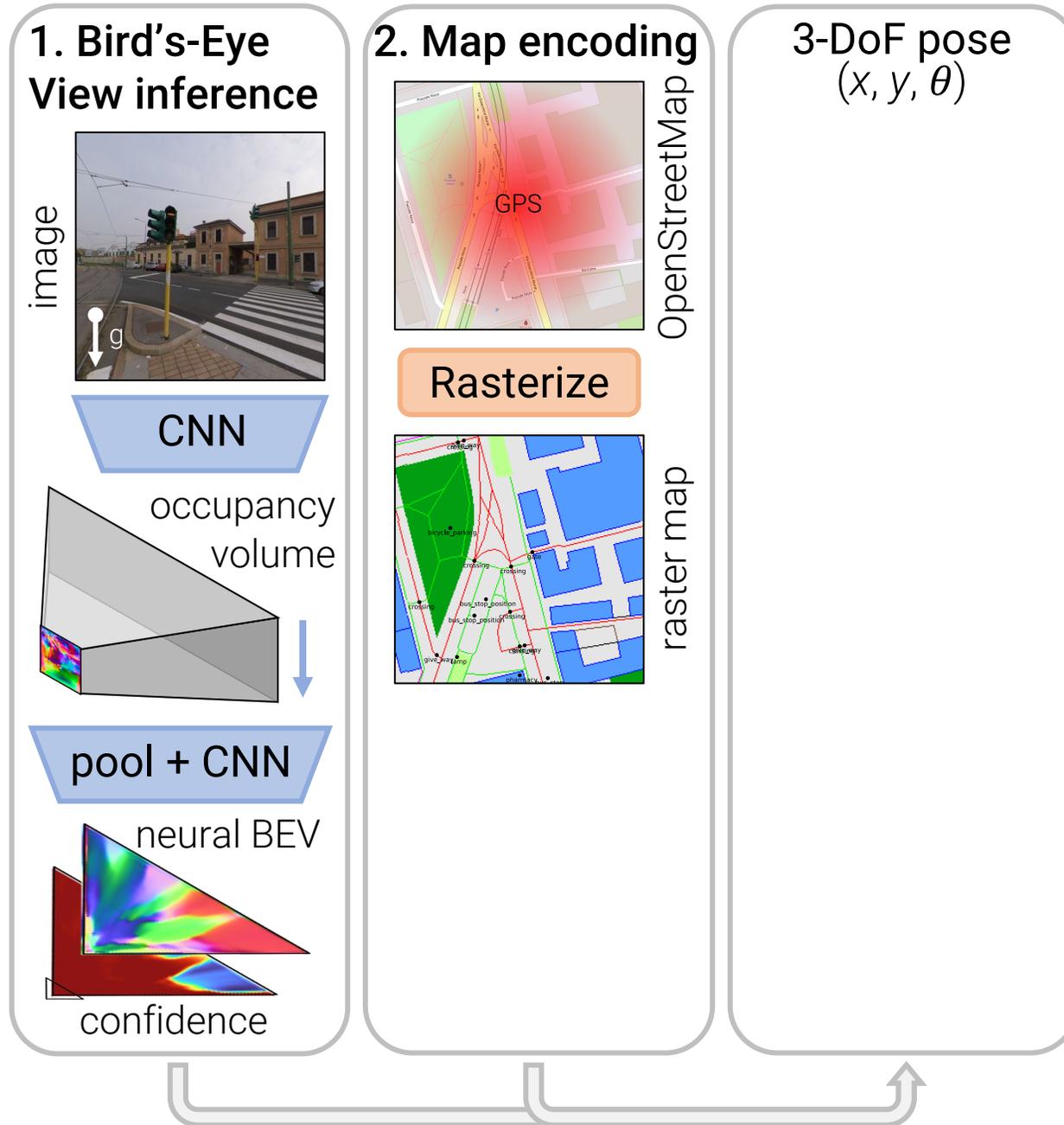
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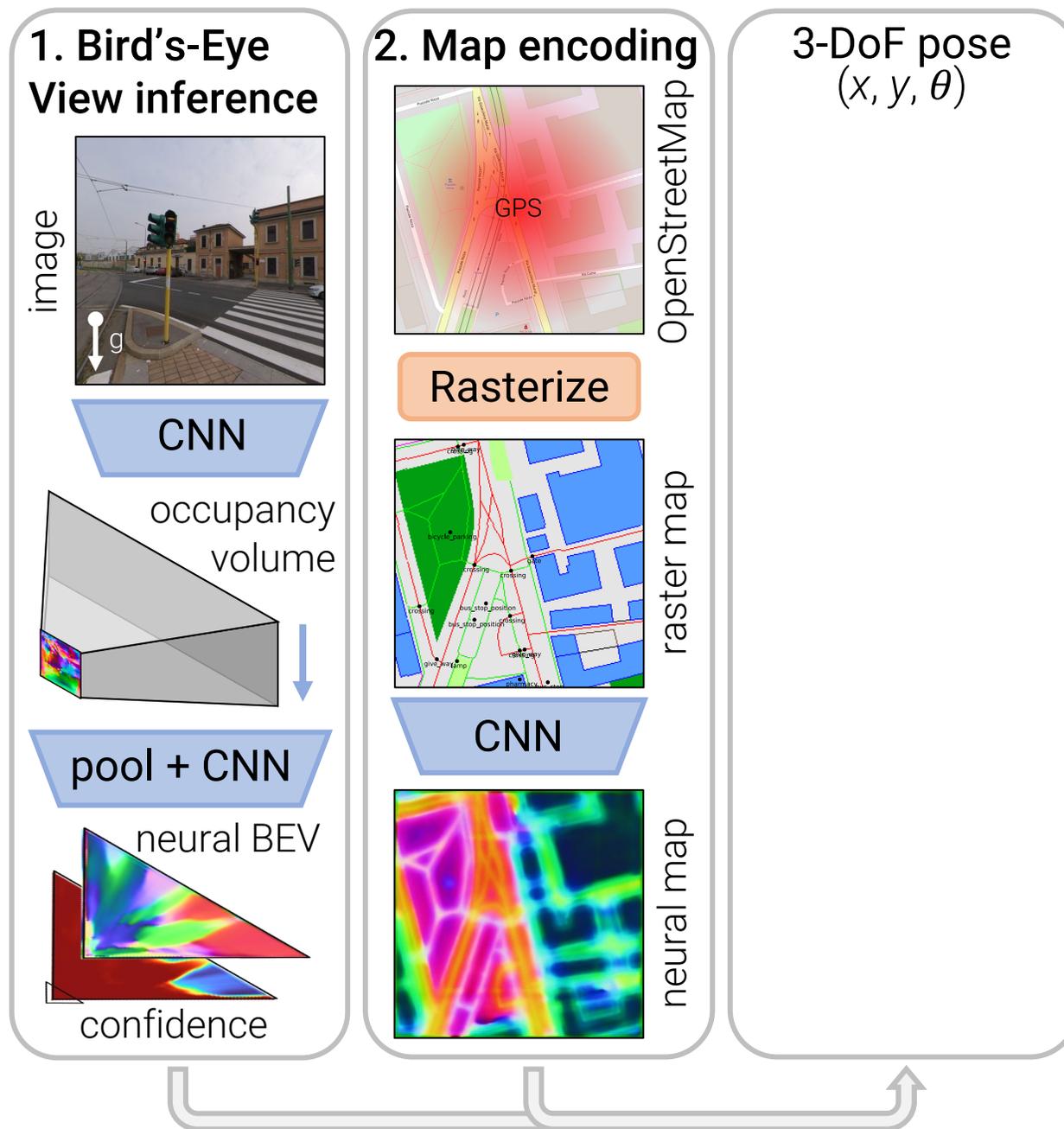
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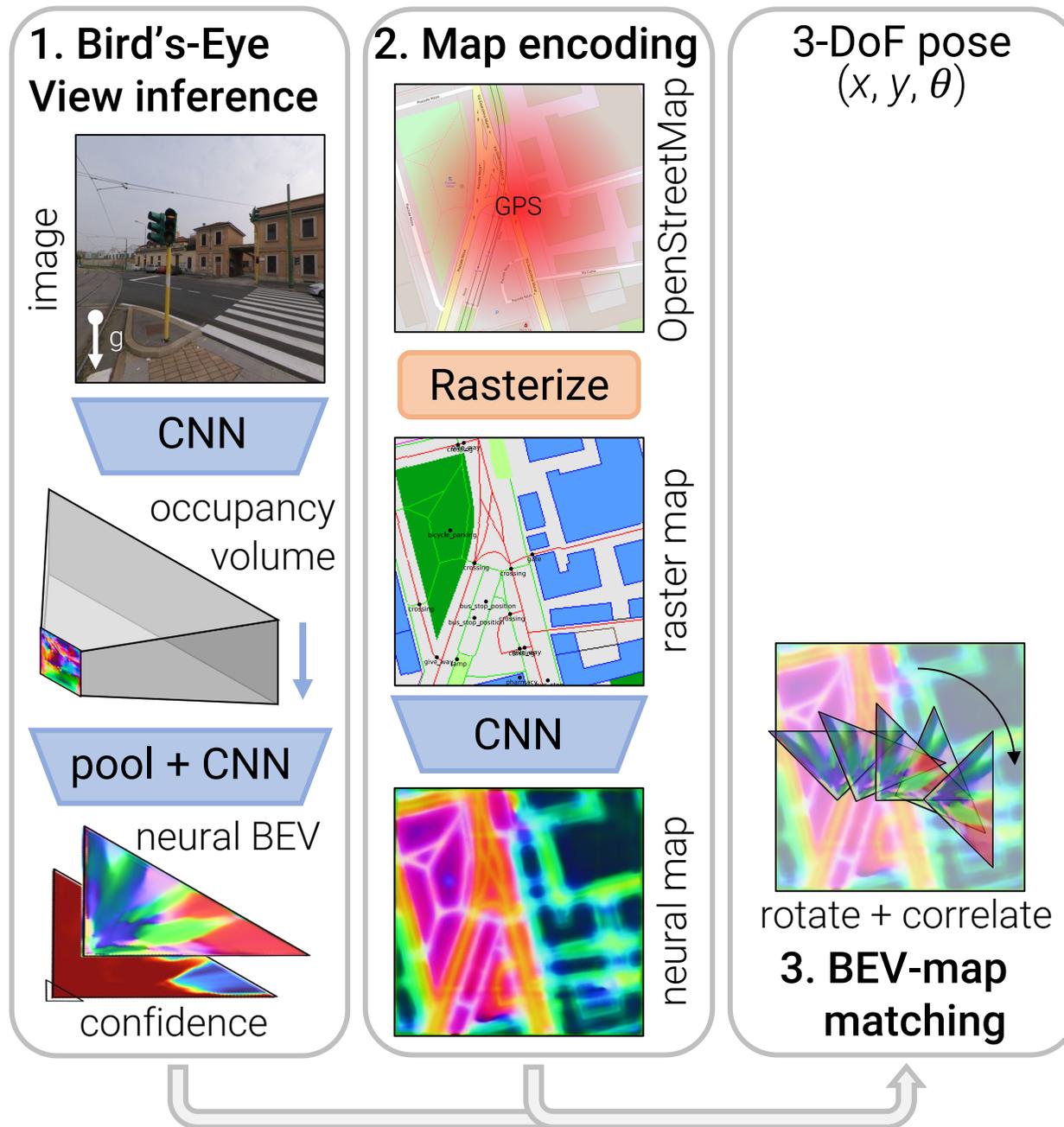
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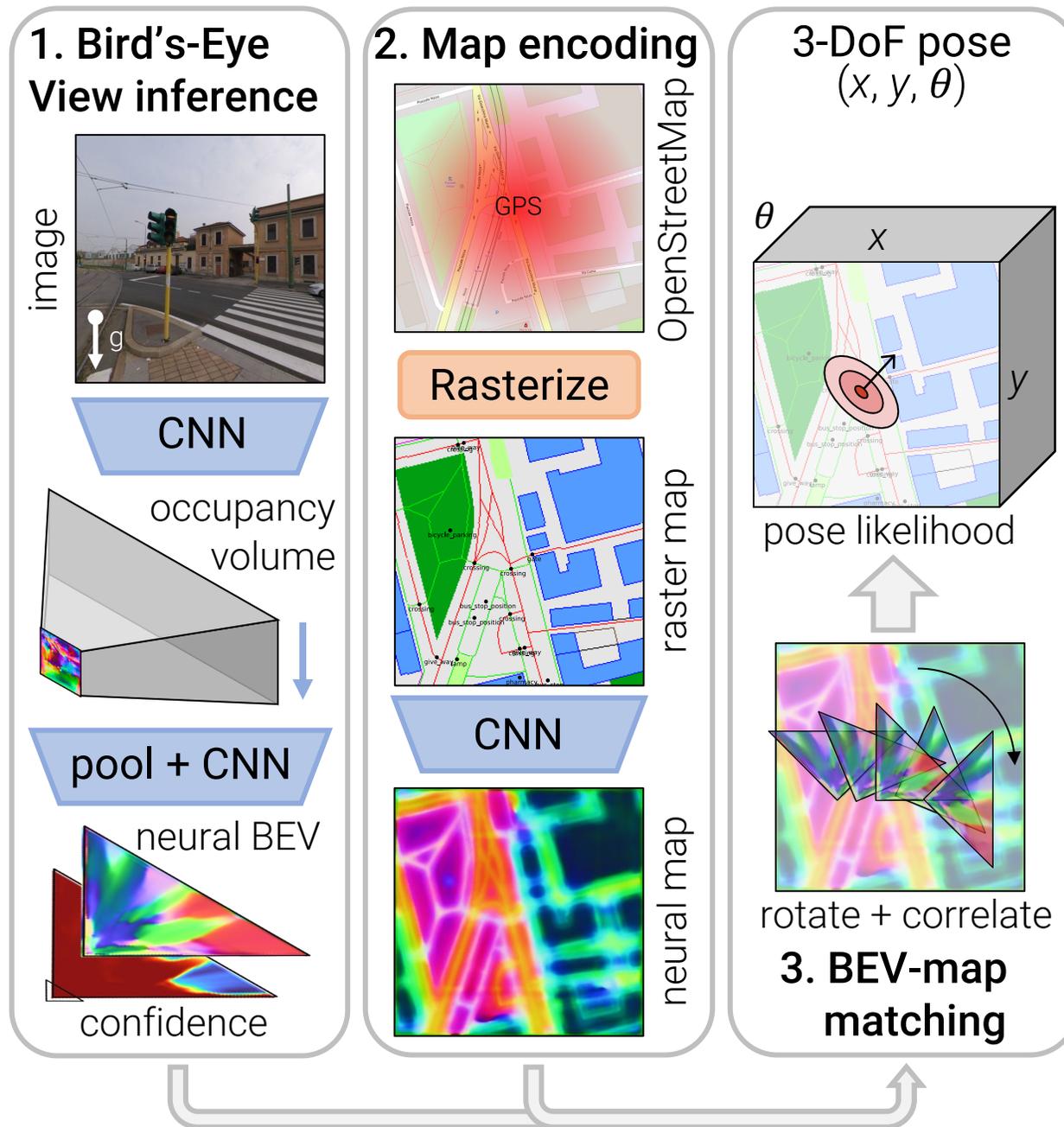
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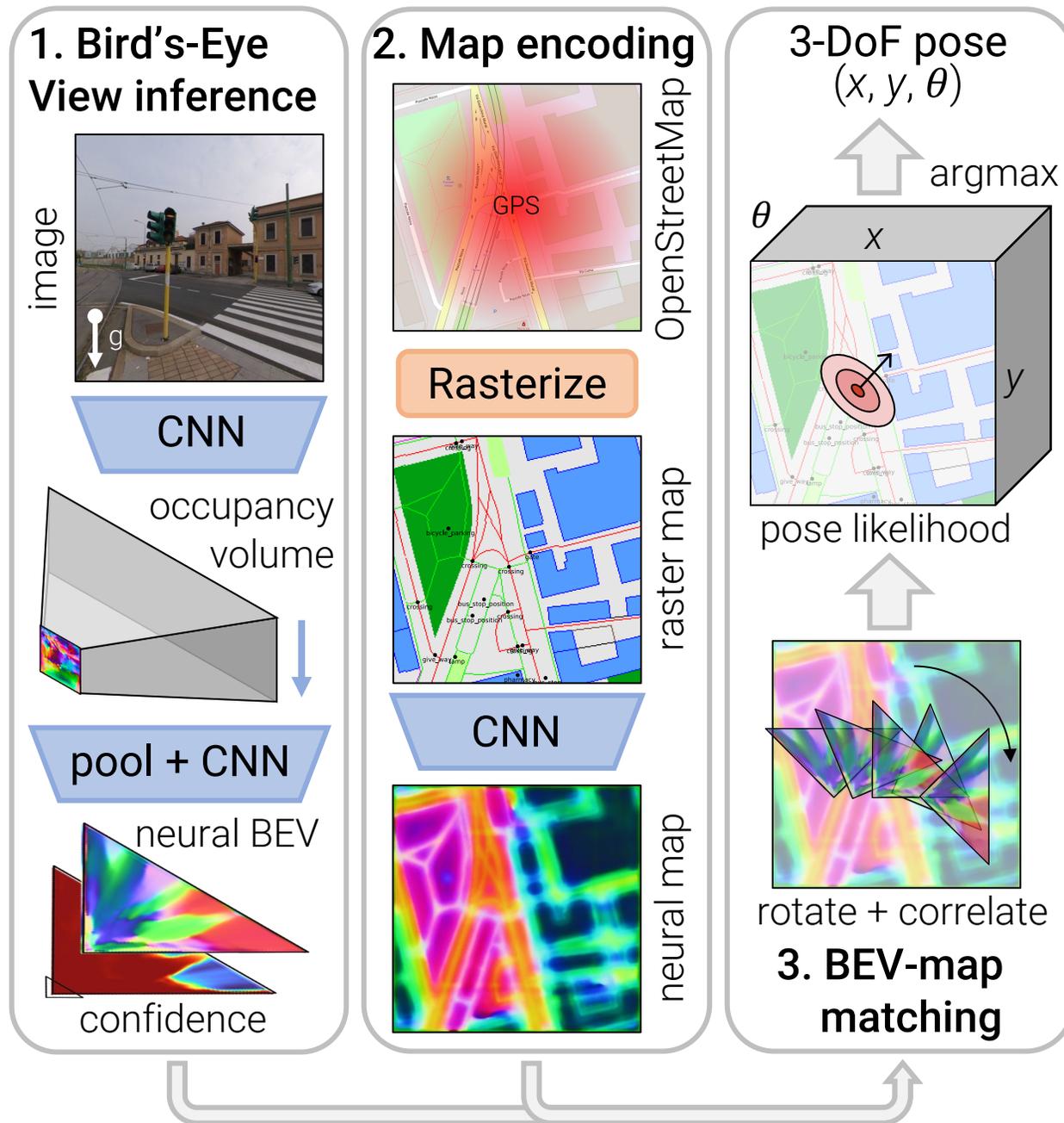
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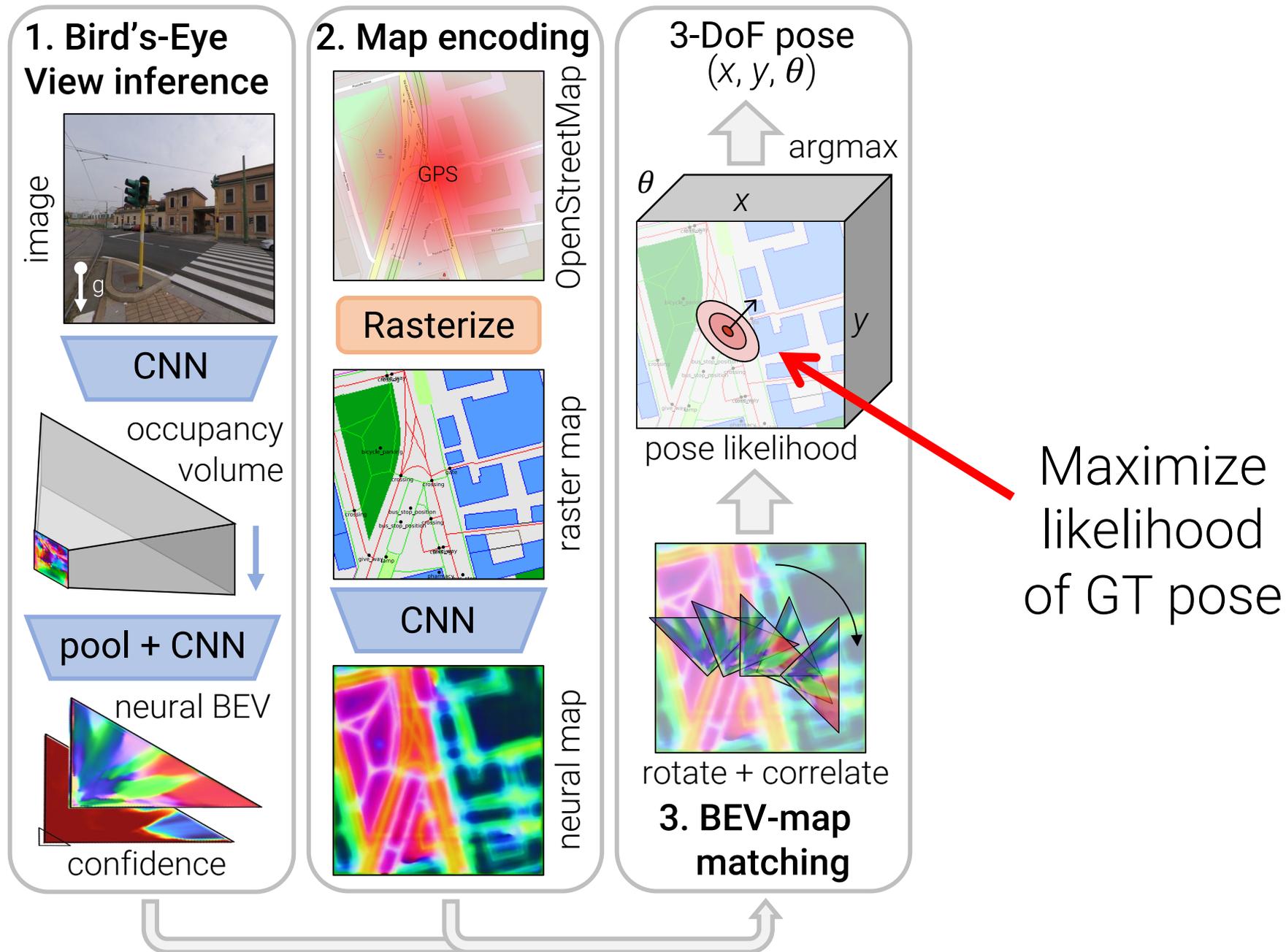
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# 1. Bird's Eye View inference

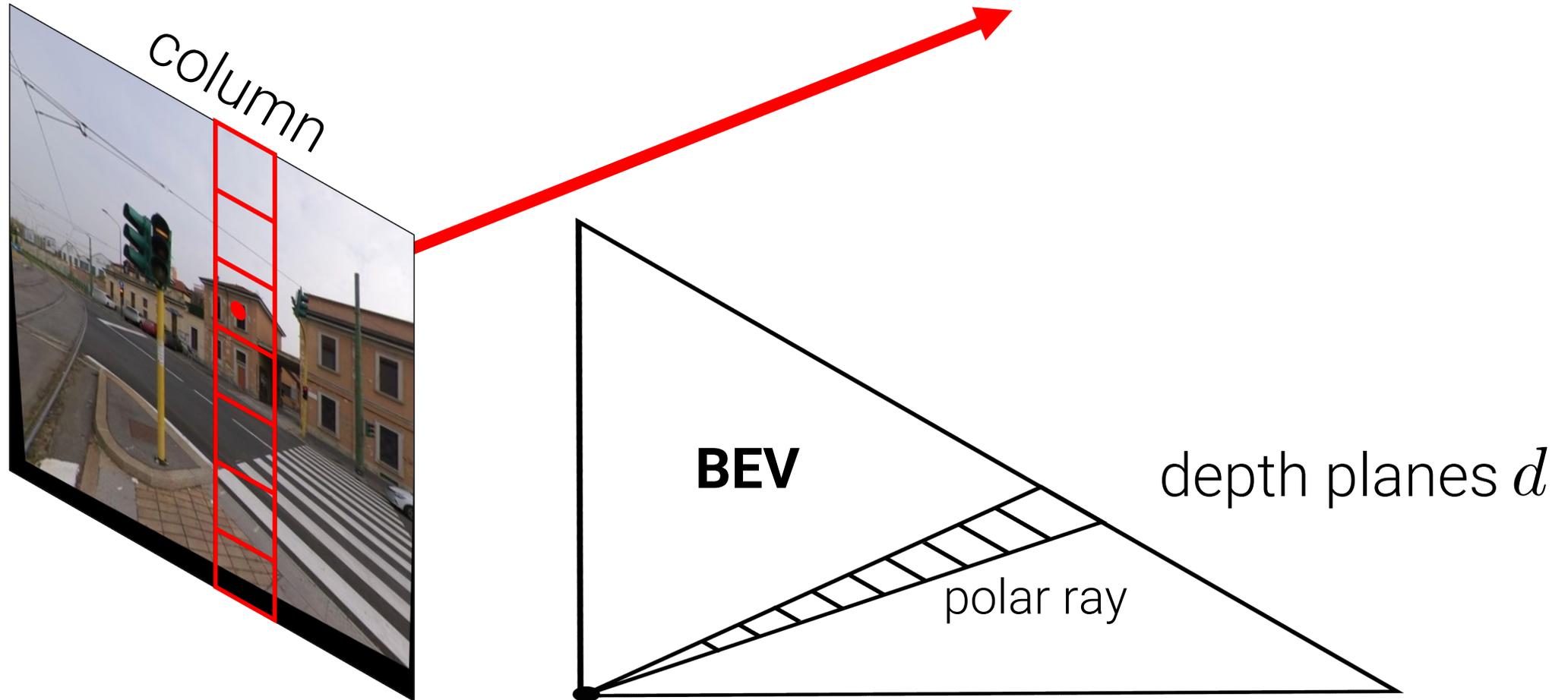


# 1. Bird's Eye View inference

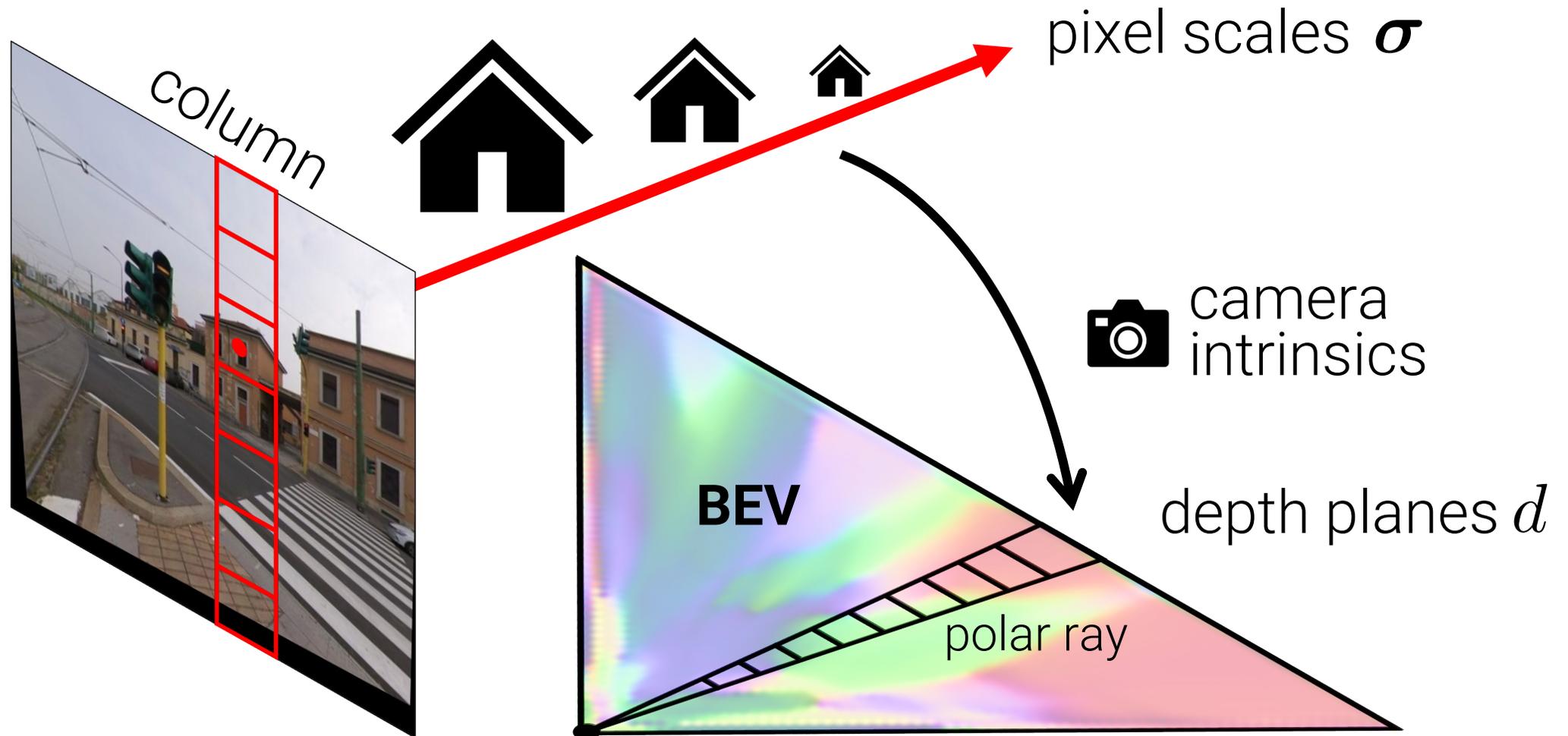


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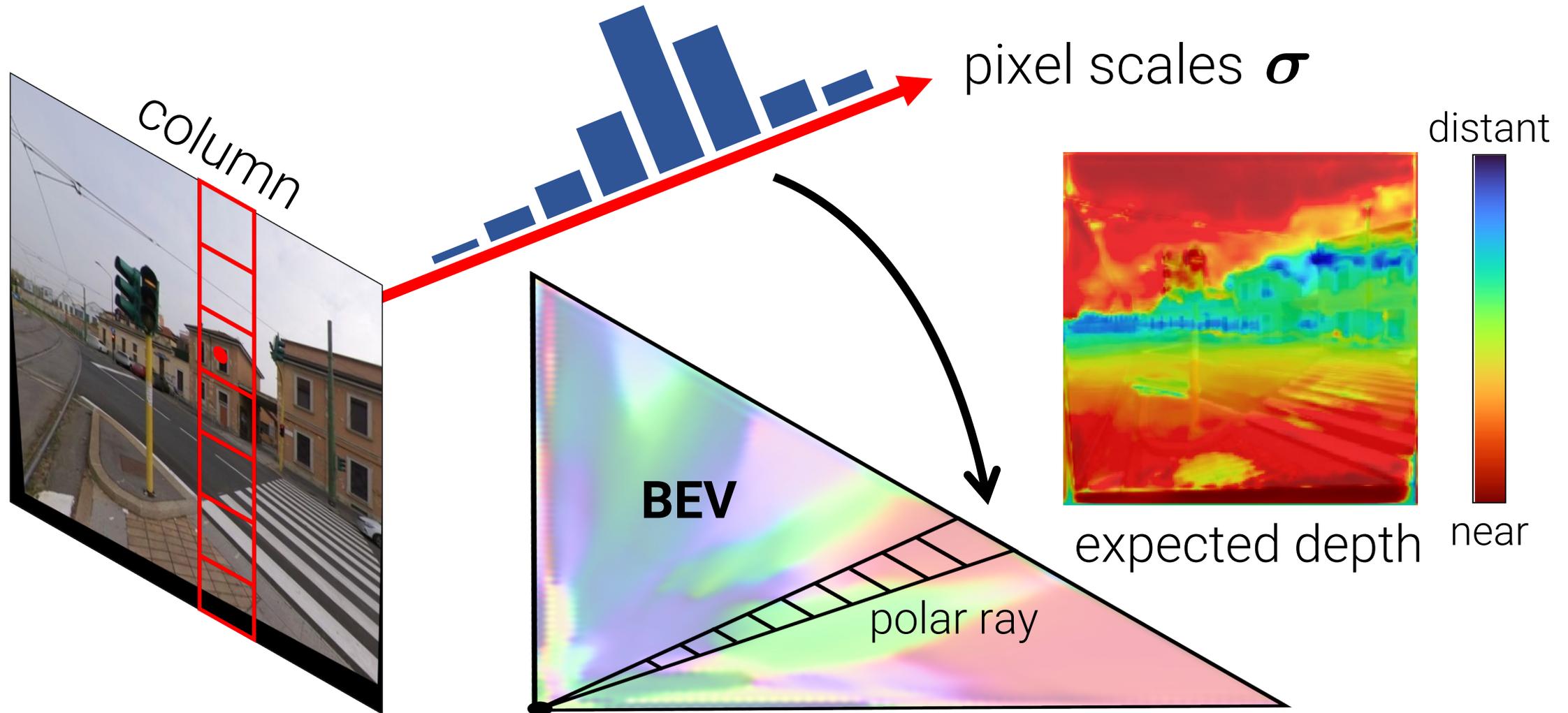
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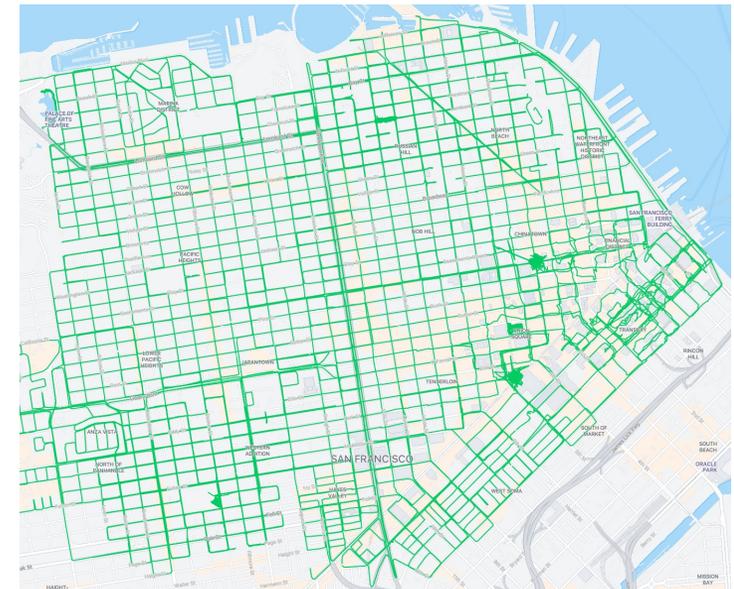
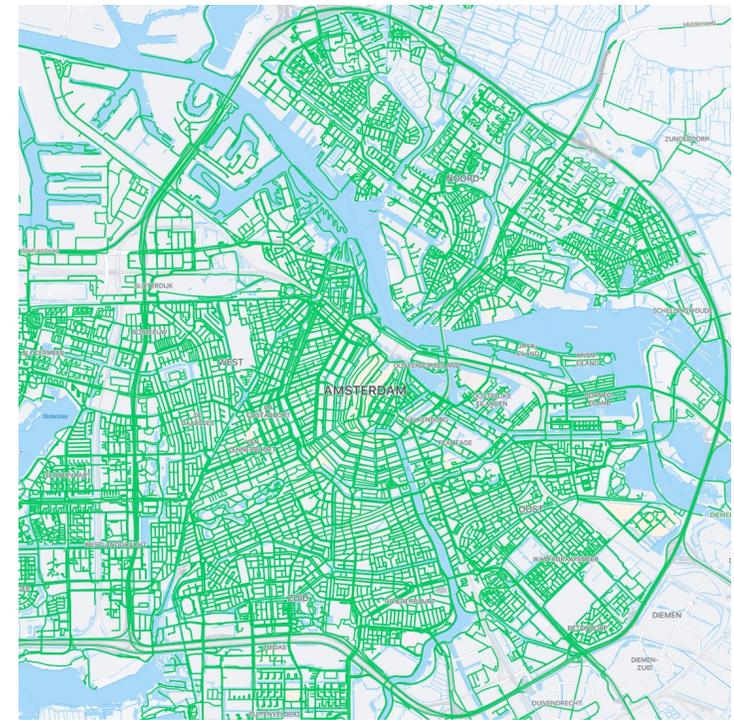
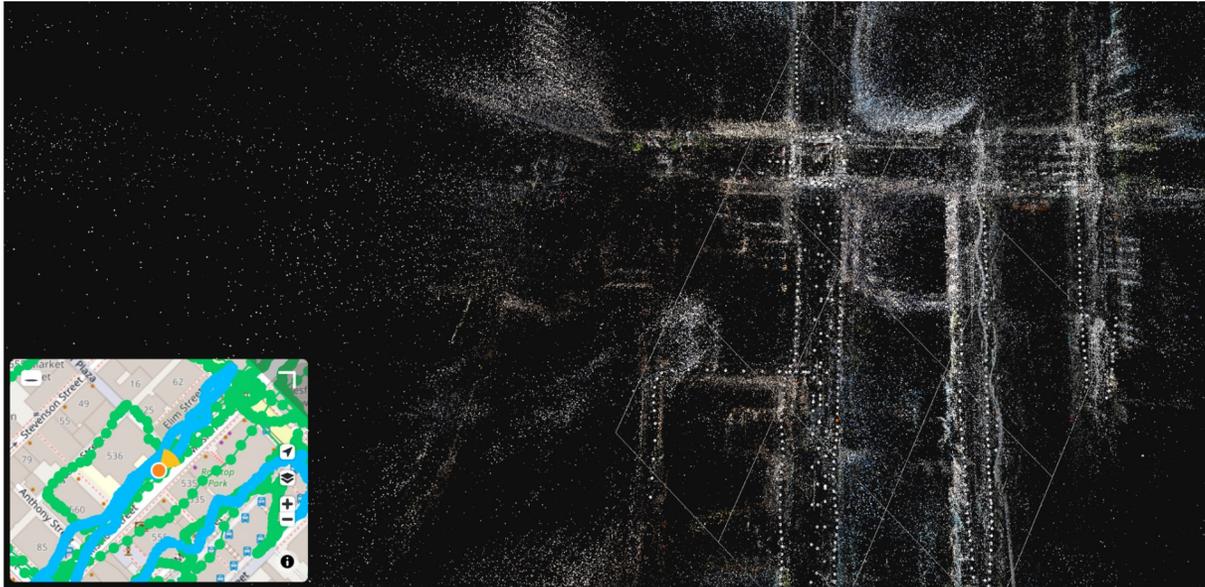


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# Training a single strong model

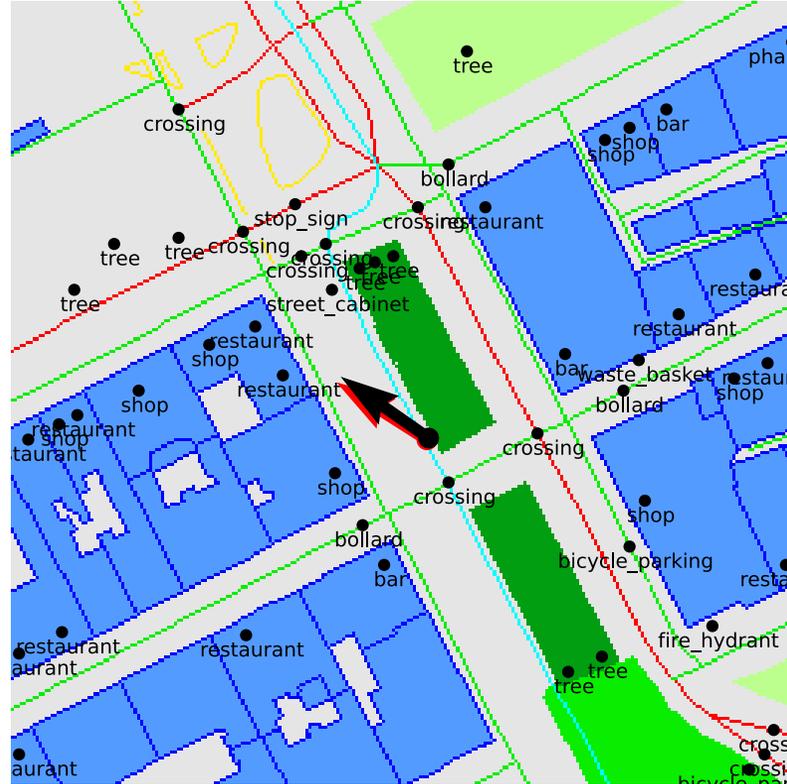
- Publicly-available data from Mapillary
- 760k images from 12 cities across Europe & US
- Hand-held, car, bike



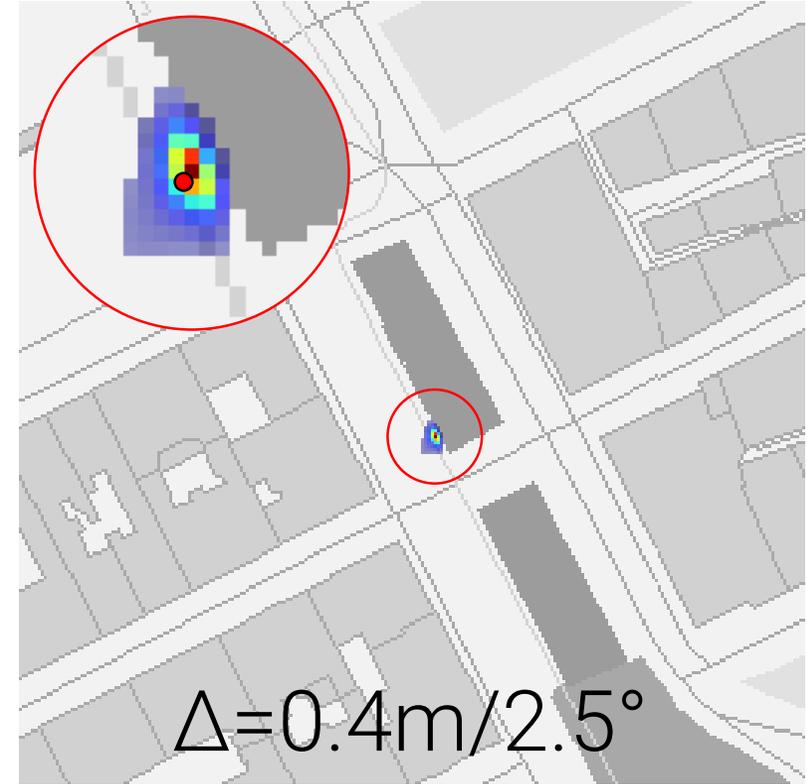
input image



raster map



likelihood



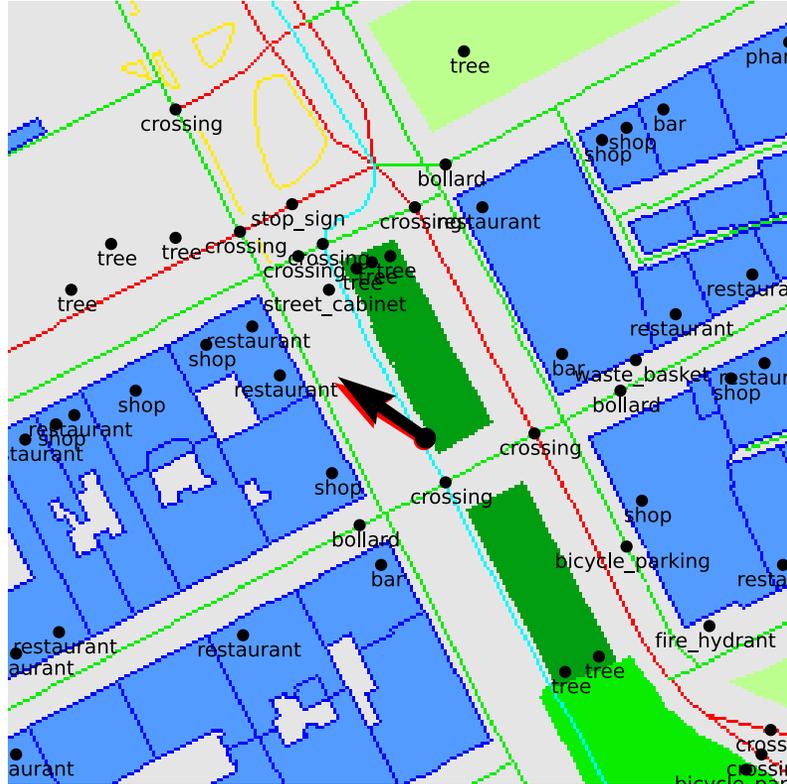
ground truth prediction  
truth

building ●area and ●outline, ●road, ●footway, ●cycleway, ●grass, ●park, ●playground, ●parking, ●fence

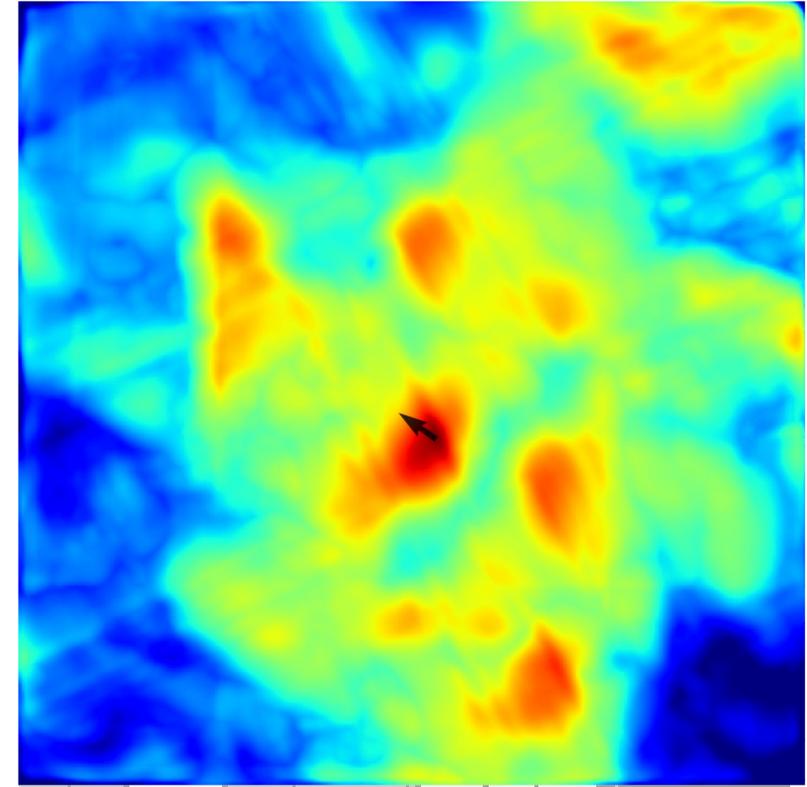
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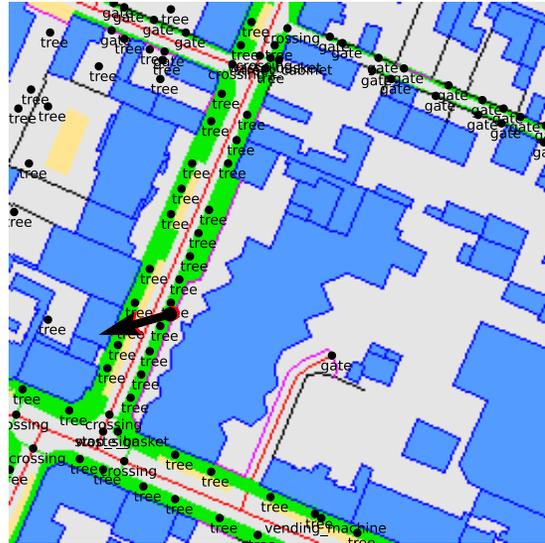
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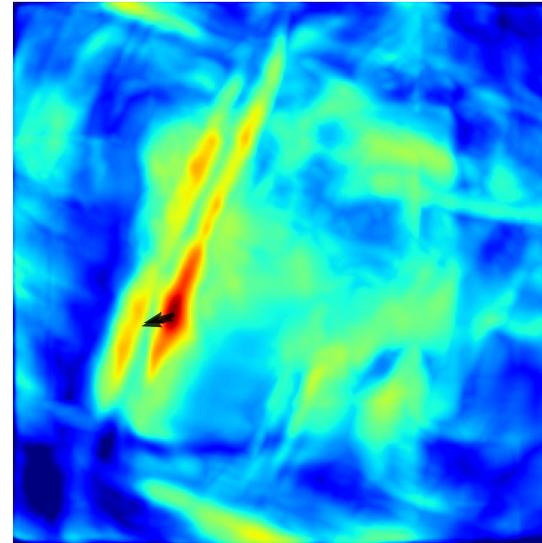
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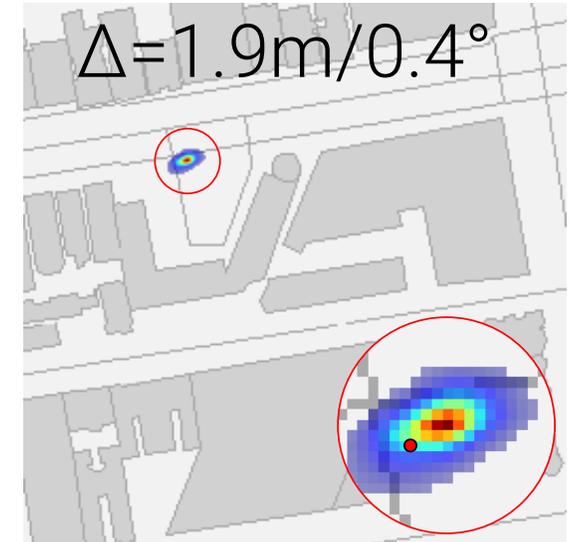
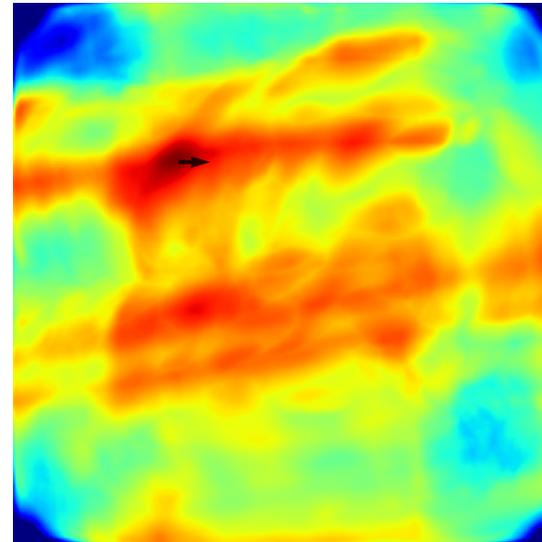
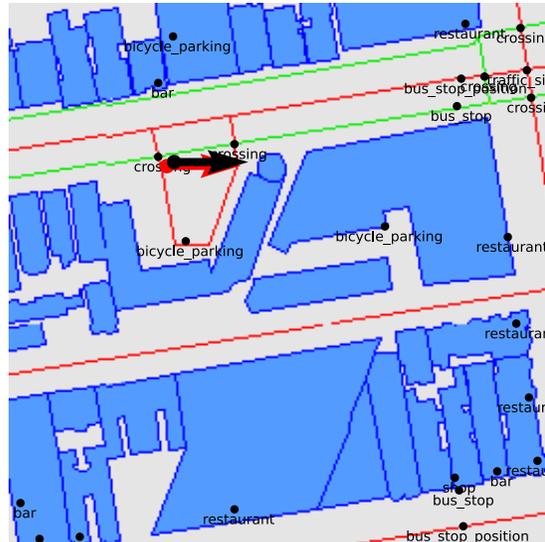
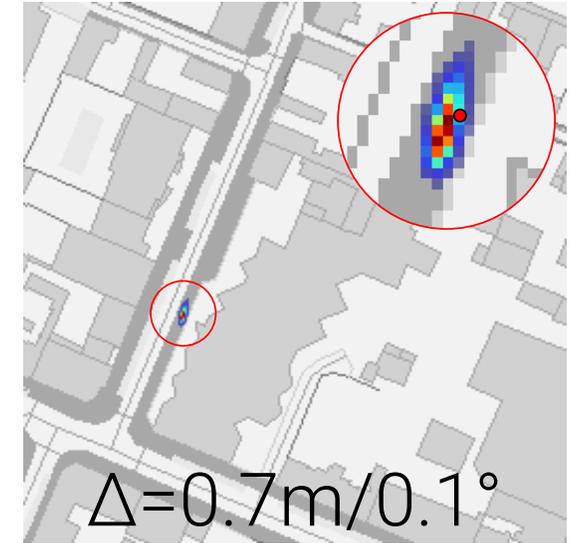
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log-likelihood

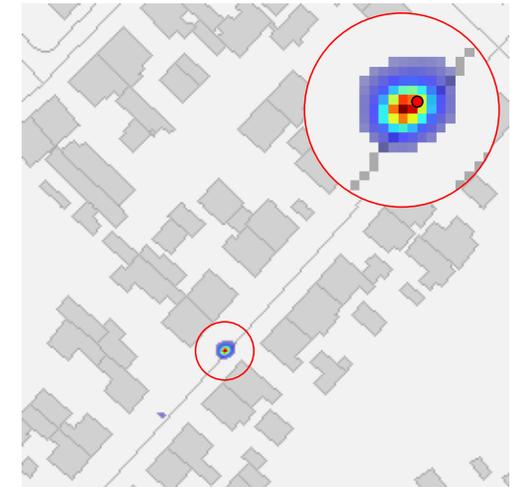
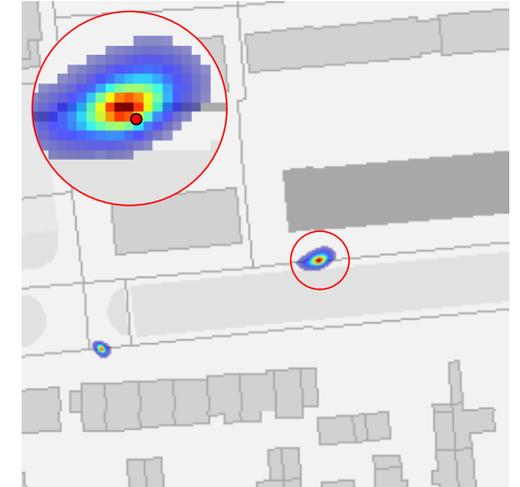
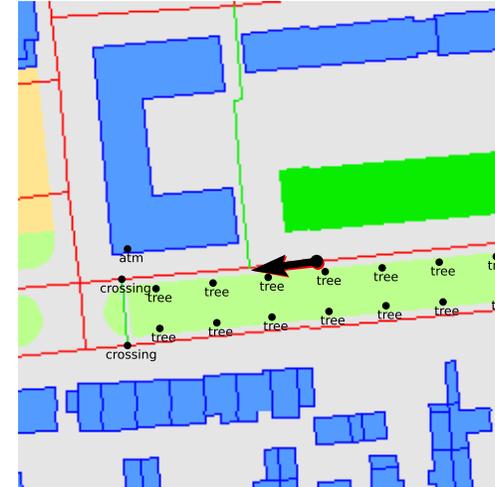


likelihood



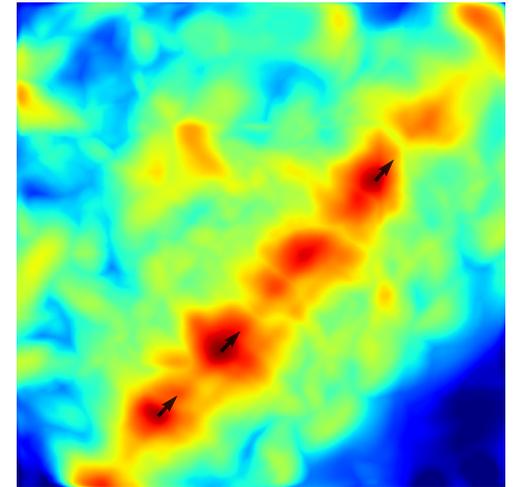
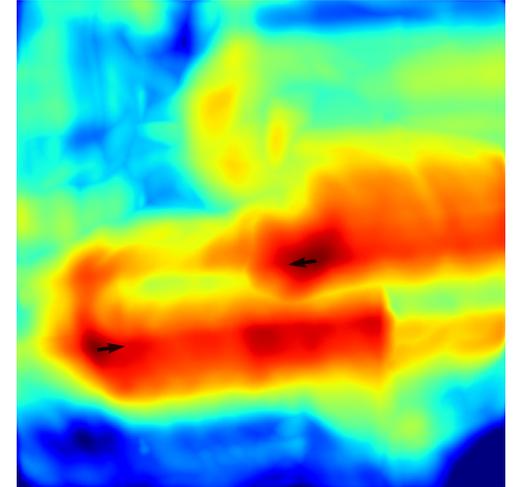
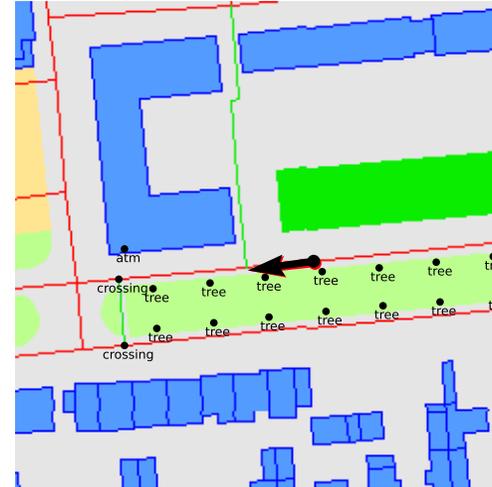
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# Driving data – KITTI



building ●area and ●outline, ●road, ●footway, ●cycleway, ●grass, ●park, ●playground, ●parking, ●fence

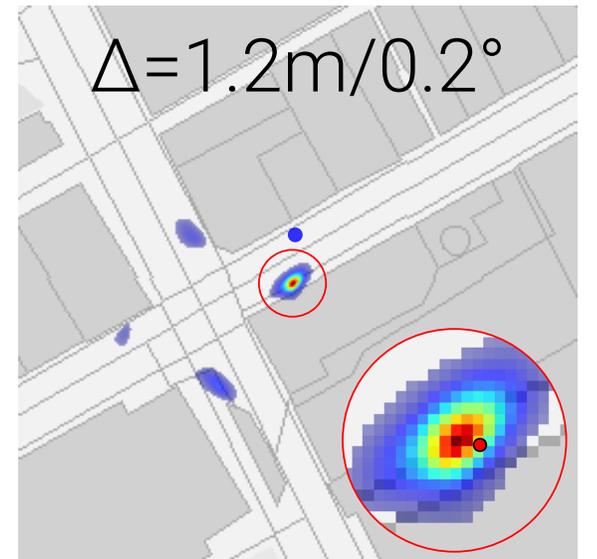
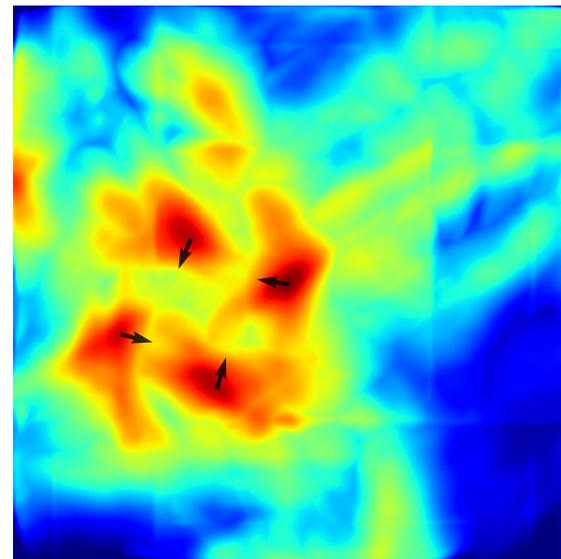
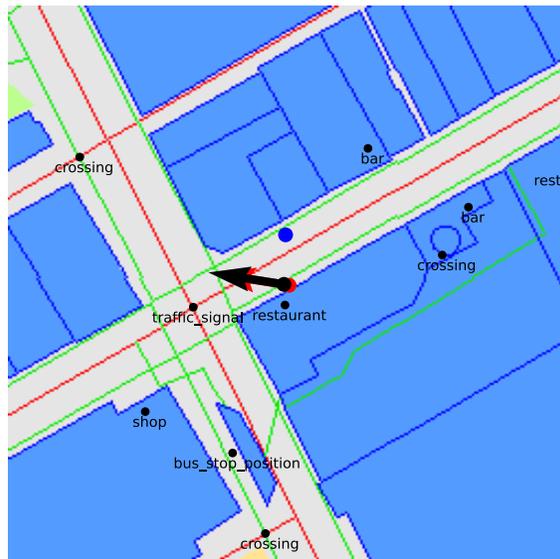
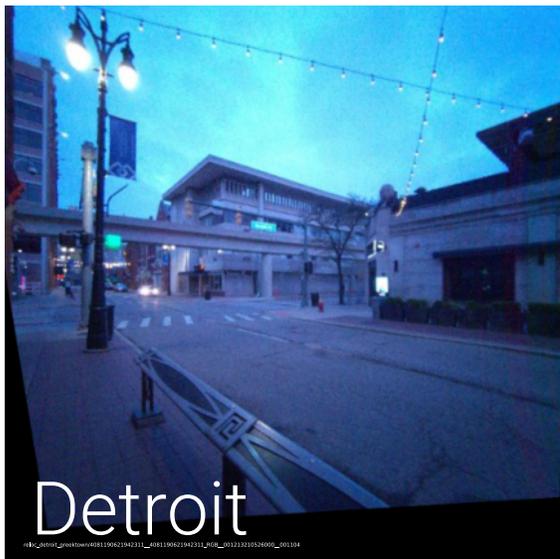
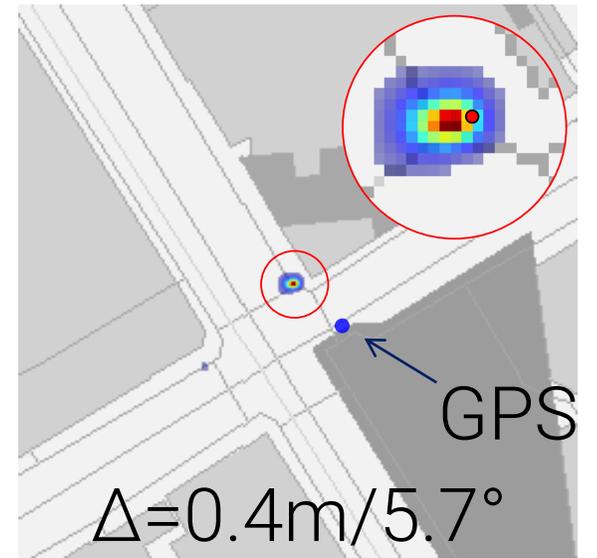
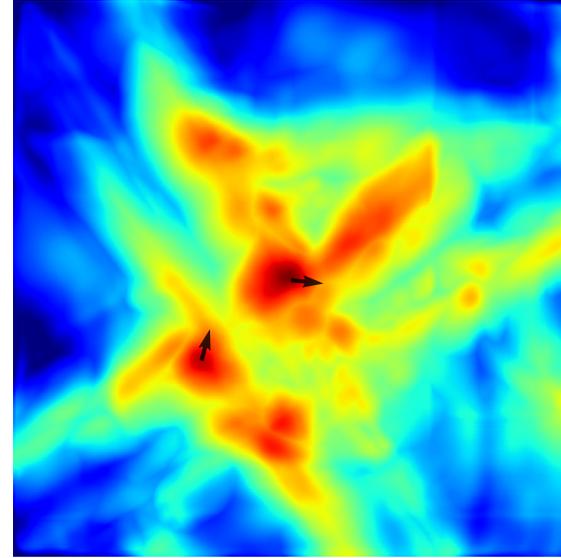
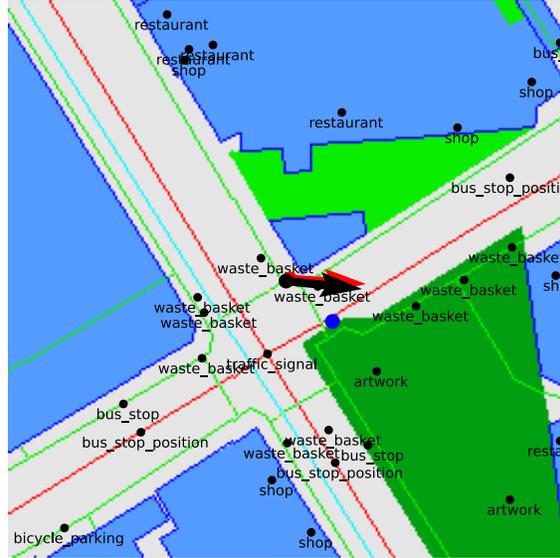
# Driving data – KITTI



building ●area and ●outline, ●road, ●footway, ●cycleway, ●grass, ●park, ●playground, ●parking, ●fence



# AR data – Aria glasses



building ●area and ●outline, ●road, ●footway, ●cycleway, ●grass, ●park, ●playground, ●parking, ●fence

# Sequence localization

**Fuse successive predictions** assuming known relative poses

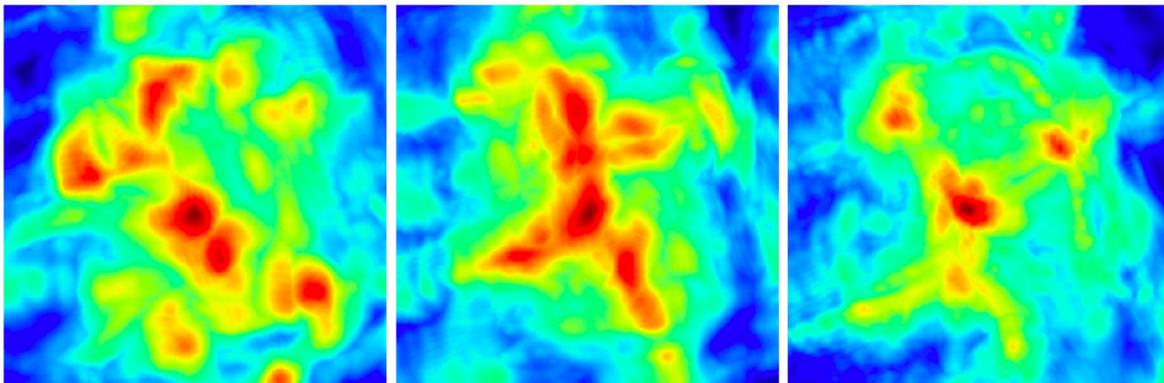
$$P(\boldsymbol{\xi}_i | \{\mathbf{I}_j\}, \text{map}) = \prod_k P(\boldsymbol{\xi}_i \oplus \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{ij} | \mathbf{I}_j, \text{map})$$

input  
image

time



log  
likelihood

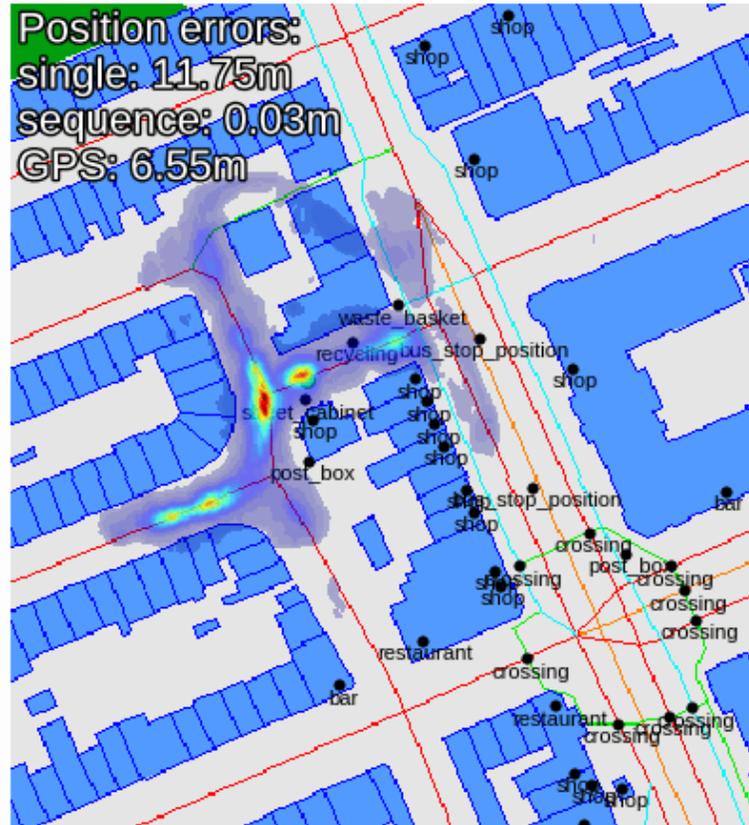




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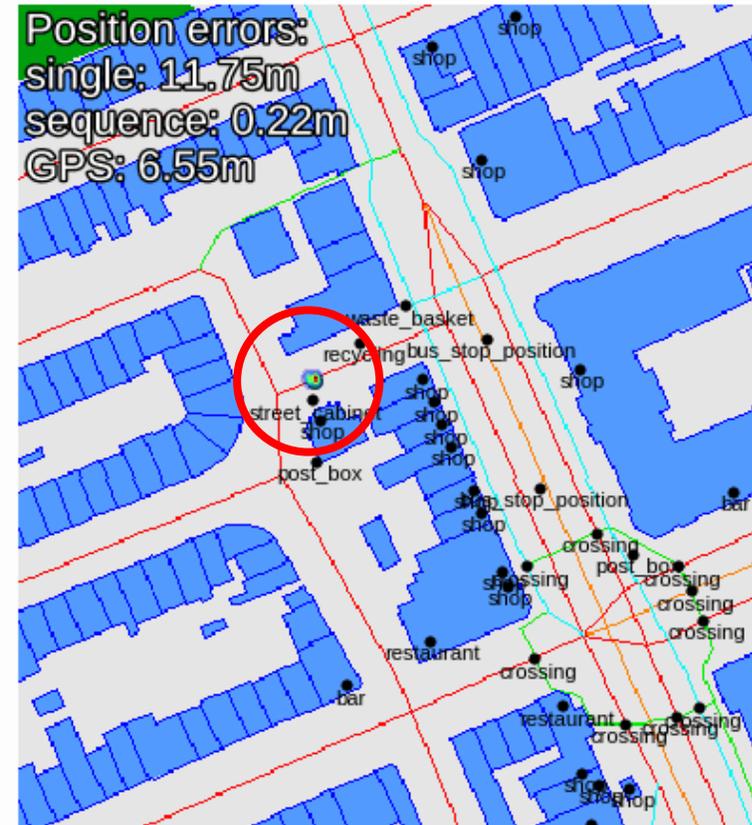


input image



Position errors:  
single: 11.75m  
sequence: 0.03m  
GPS: 6.55m

single-frame likelihood

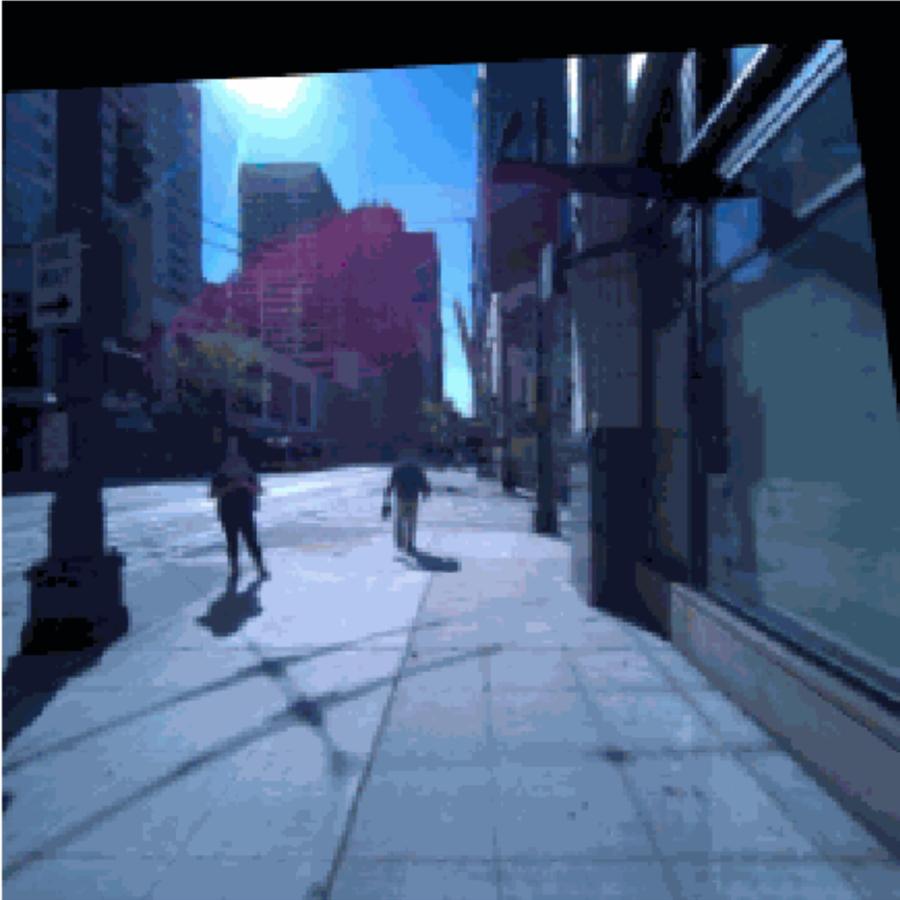


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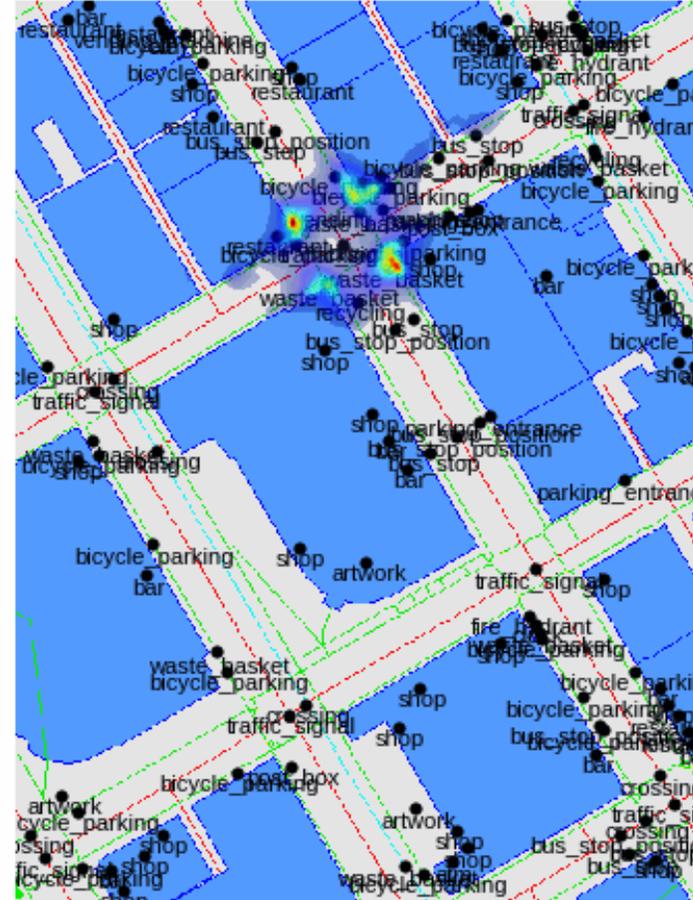
sequence likelihood



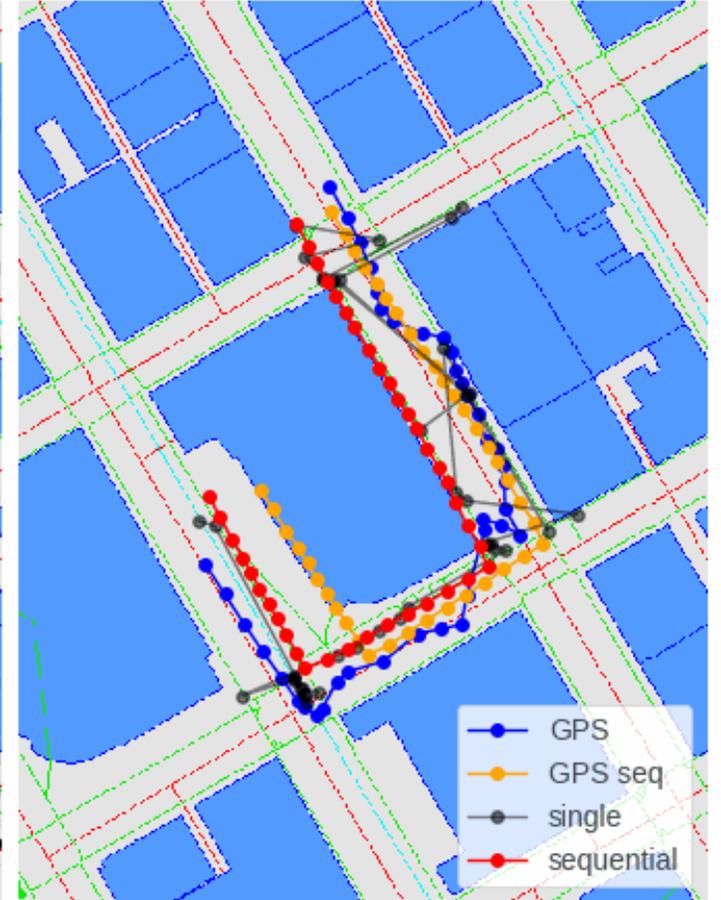
# Sequence localization – Aria



input image



single-frame likelihood



final trajectories

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