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Perception in Aerial Robotics for Inspection and Maintenance

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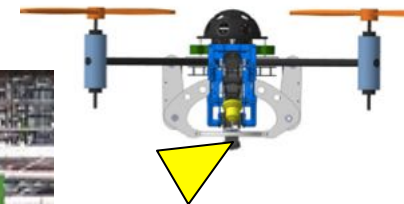
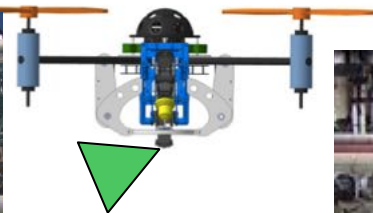
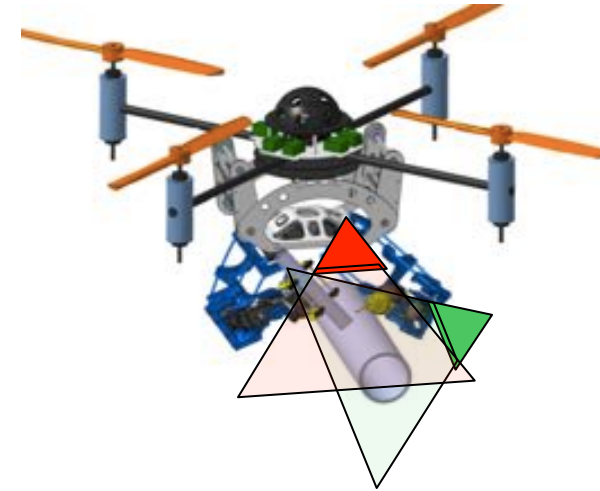
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AEROARMS Perception Objectives

The **main objective** of the Perception is to provide the needed perception functionalities to allow a reliable and accurate localization of the aerial robot for grabbing and manipulation.



Perception objectives for Inspection and Maintenance

Navigation: To move from the origin to destination without colliding with static and dynamic objects

Object tracking: Track the object for inspection, drilling, grasping, manipulation, etc.

Cooperative perception: Use multiple perception systems for inspection and maintenance tasks

Localization and Mapping: Create a global or local map and obtain the pose of the aerial robot

Object/area identification: Identify the objects for inspection, manipulation, landing, etc.

Localization and Mapping

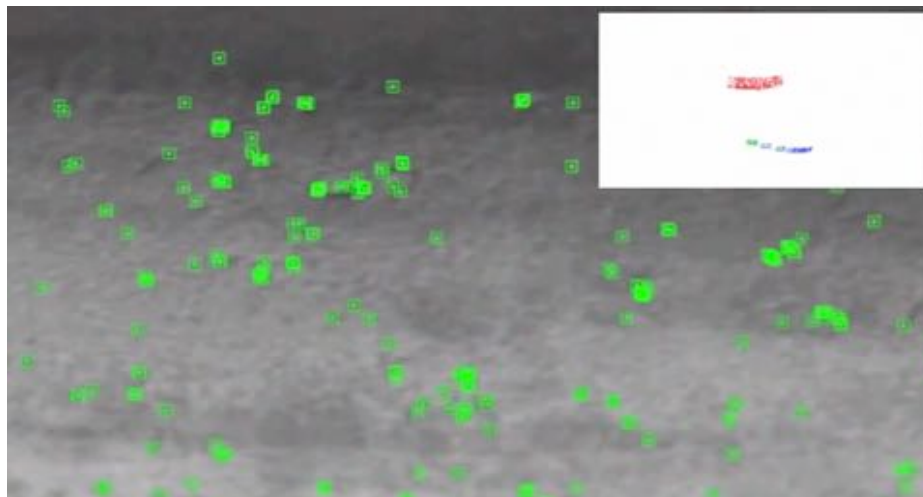
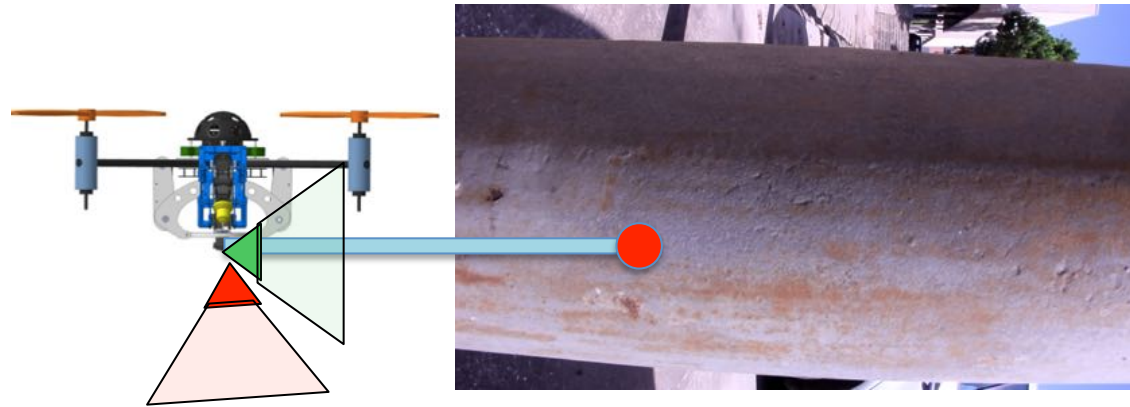
Map building and Localization

- Global localization
- Local localization

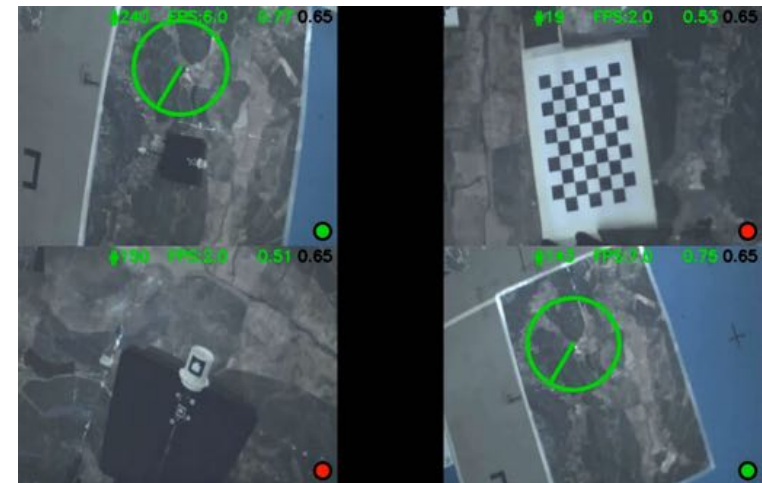
Global localization



Local positioning, mapping and pose detection



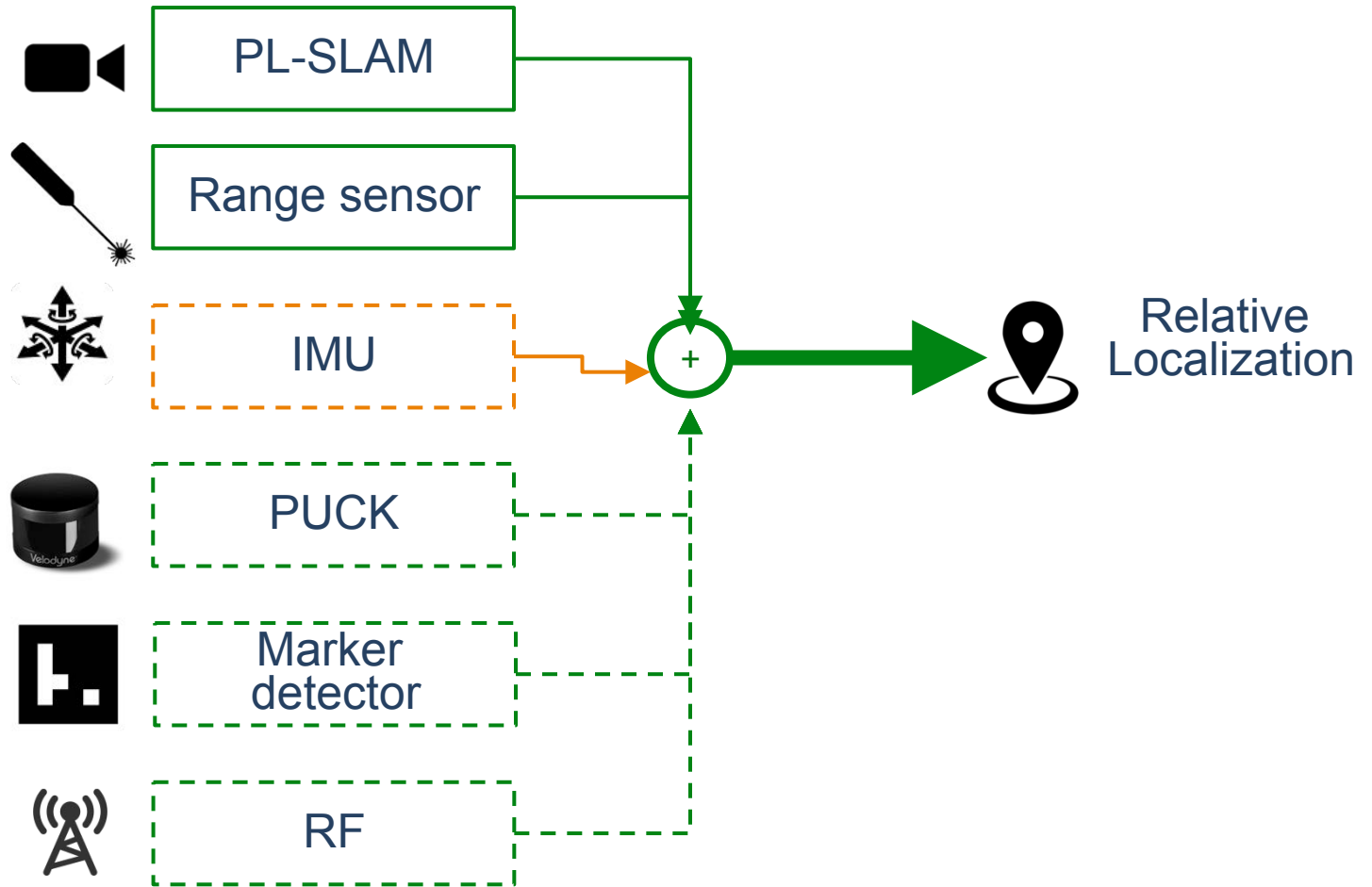
Local map building for local positioning



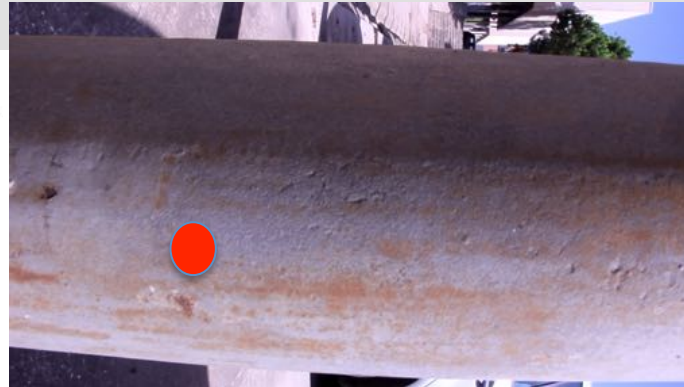
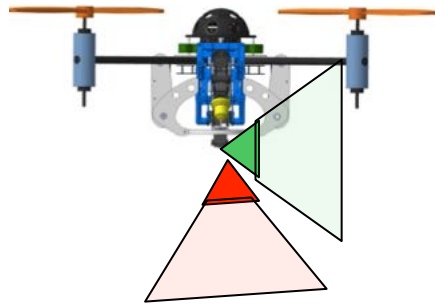
Pose detection

Fusion for relative localization

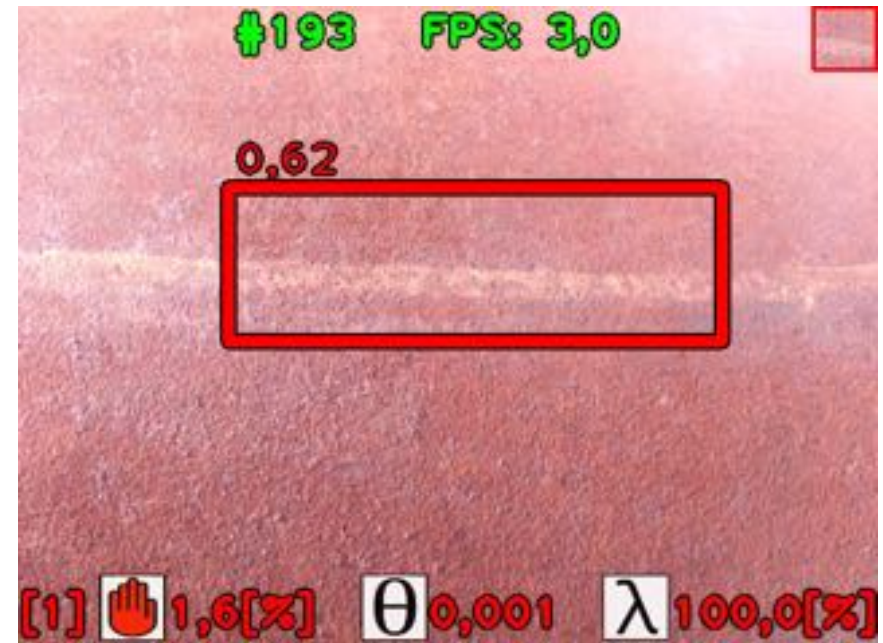
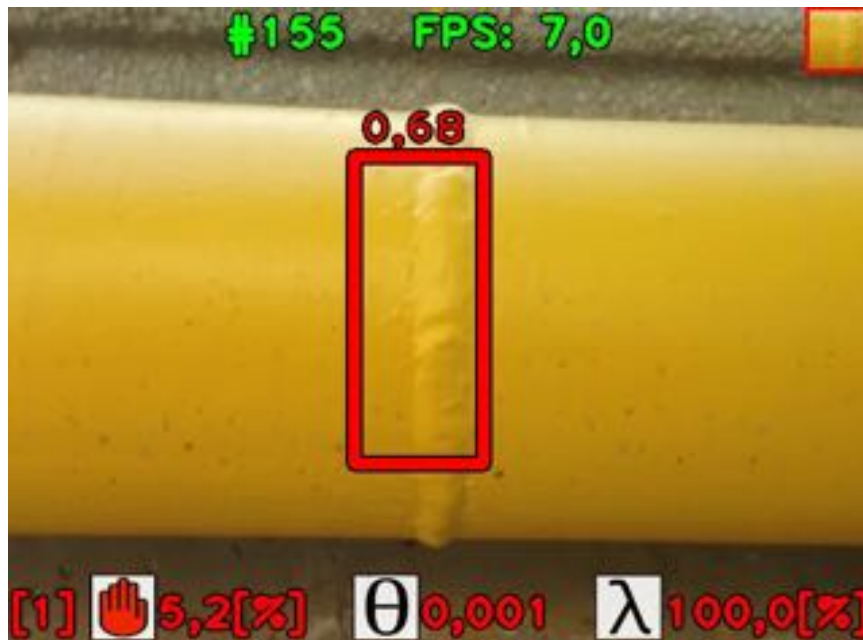
Monocular SLAM



Object / Area Identification

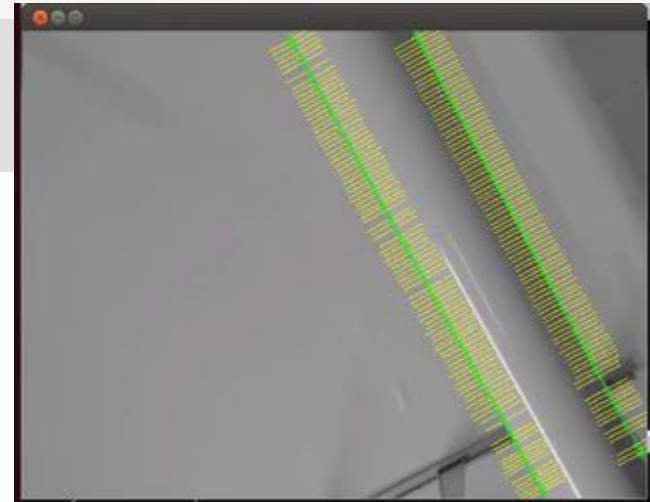


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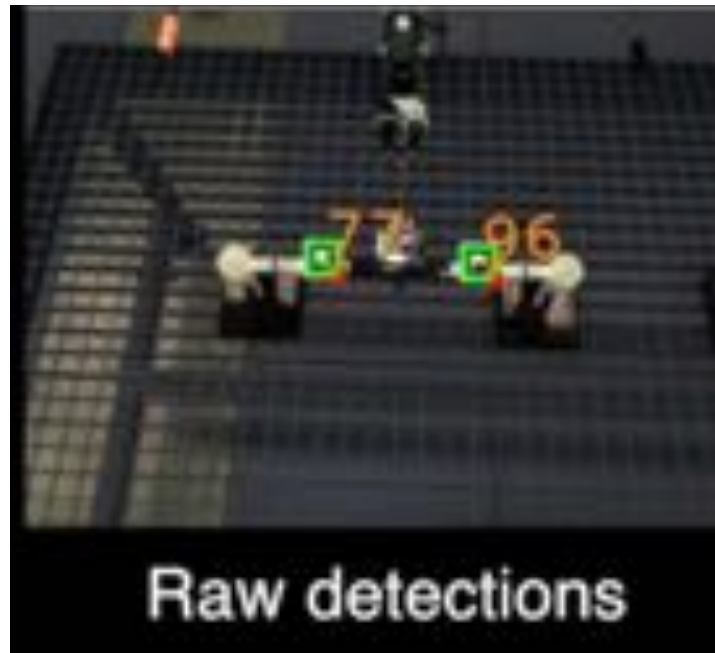


Object tracking

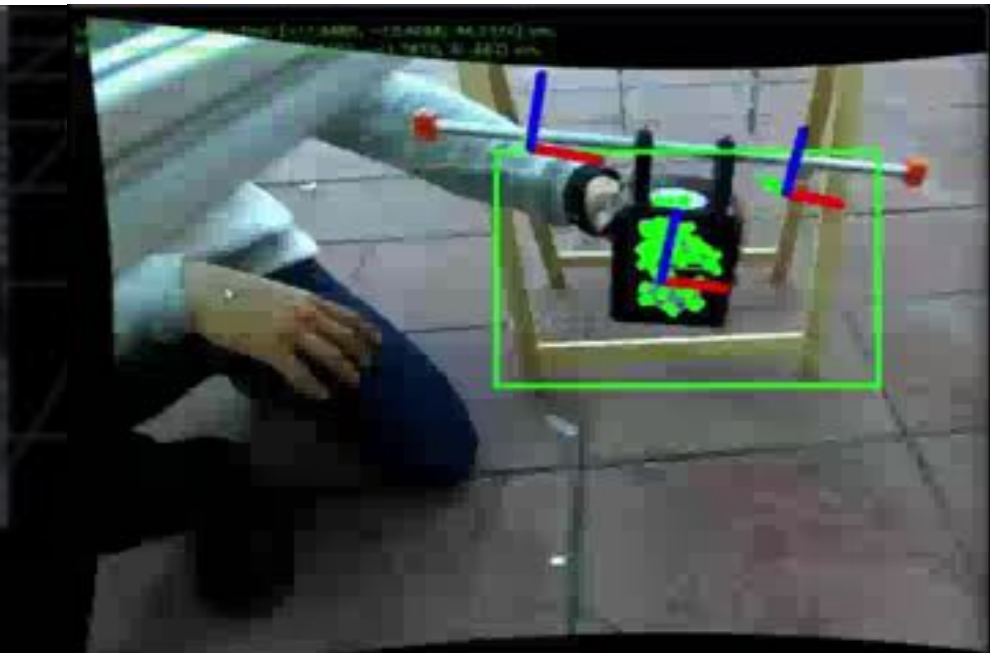
Pipe tracking

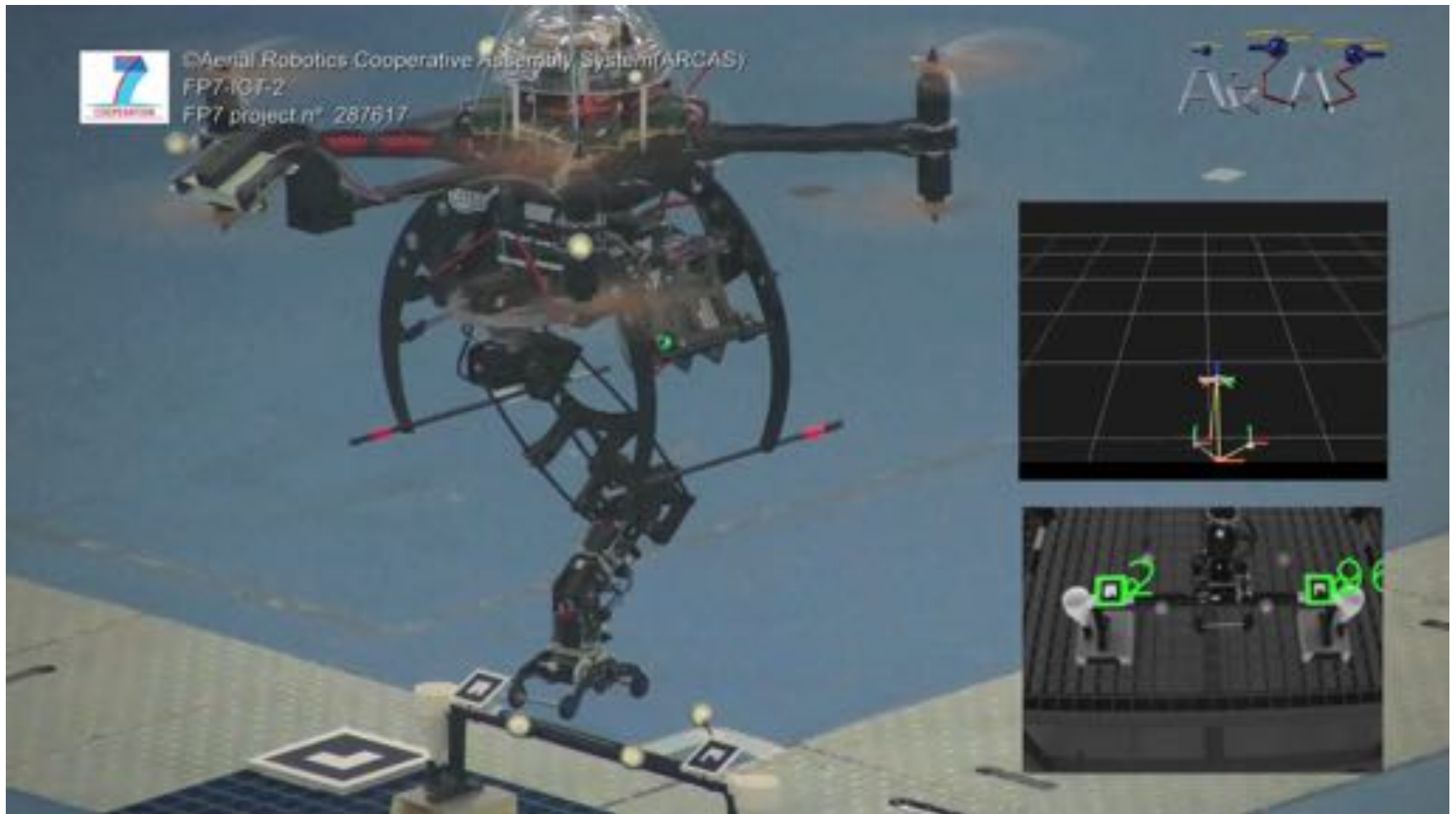


Tracking visual marks for insertion



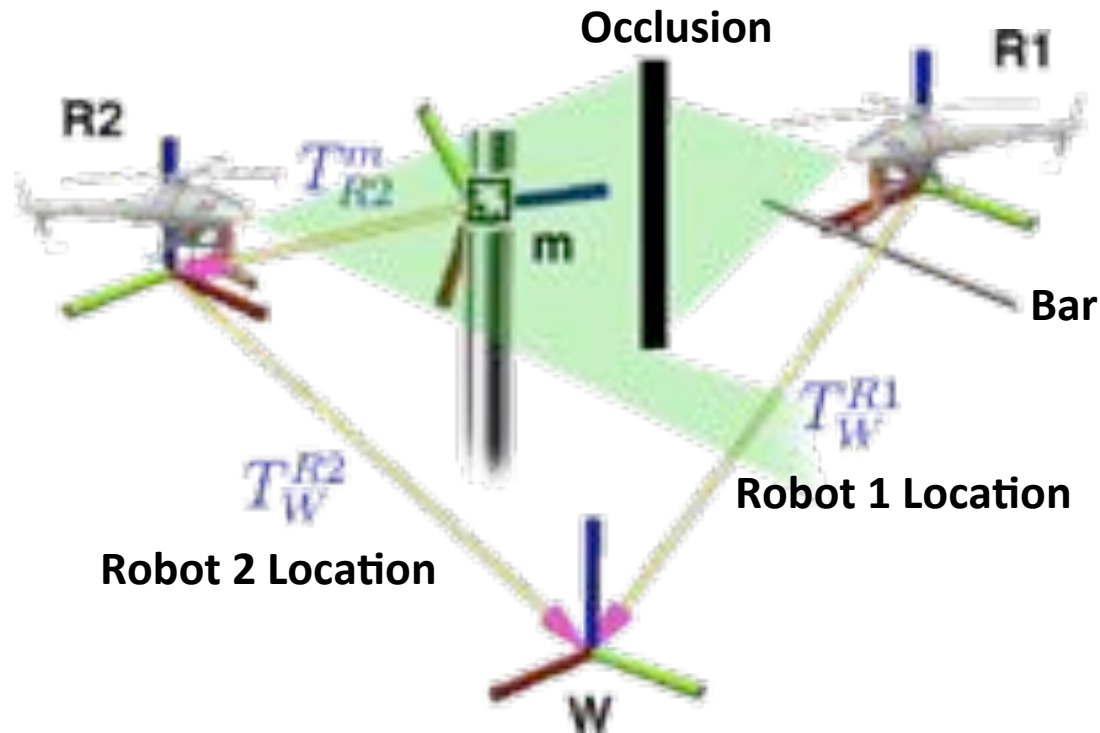
Object tracking for grasping





Cooperative perception

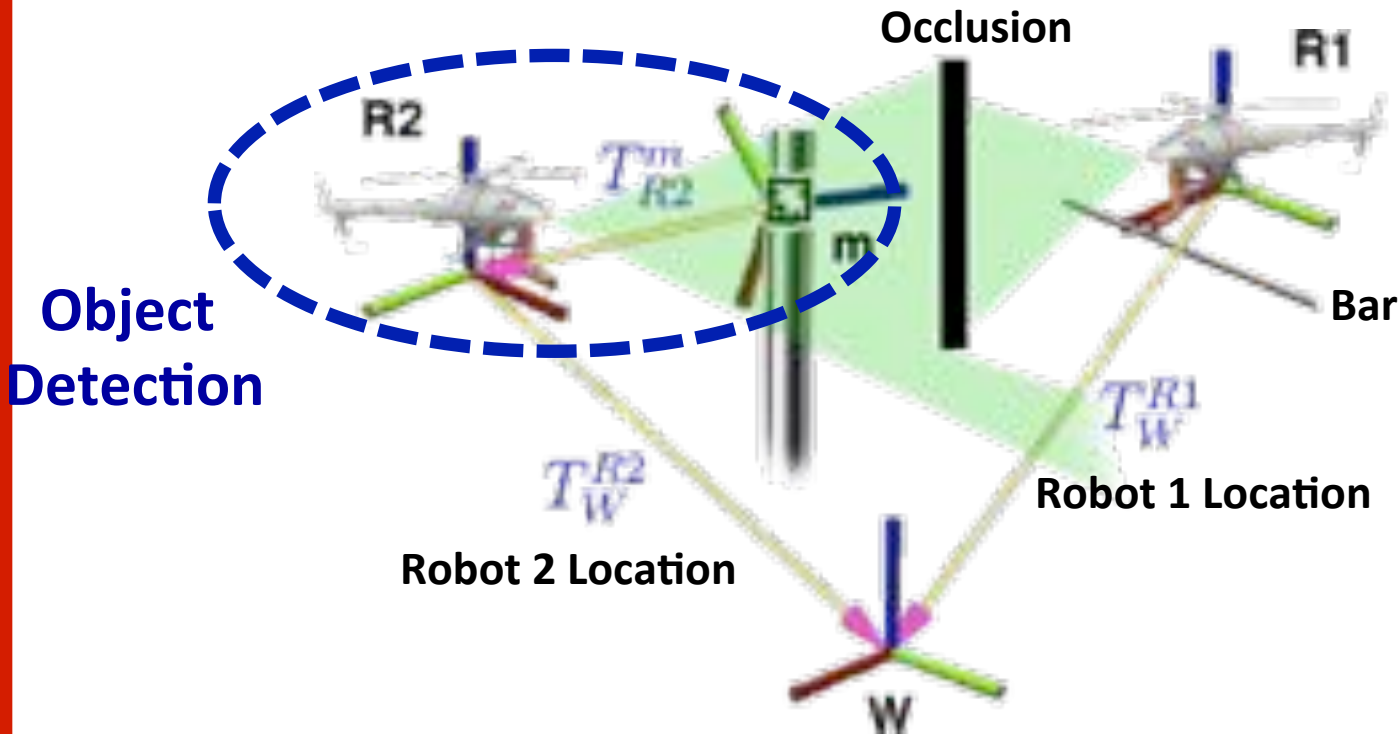
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Cooperative perception

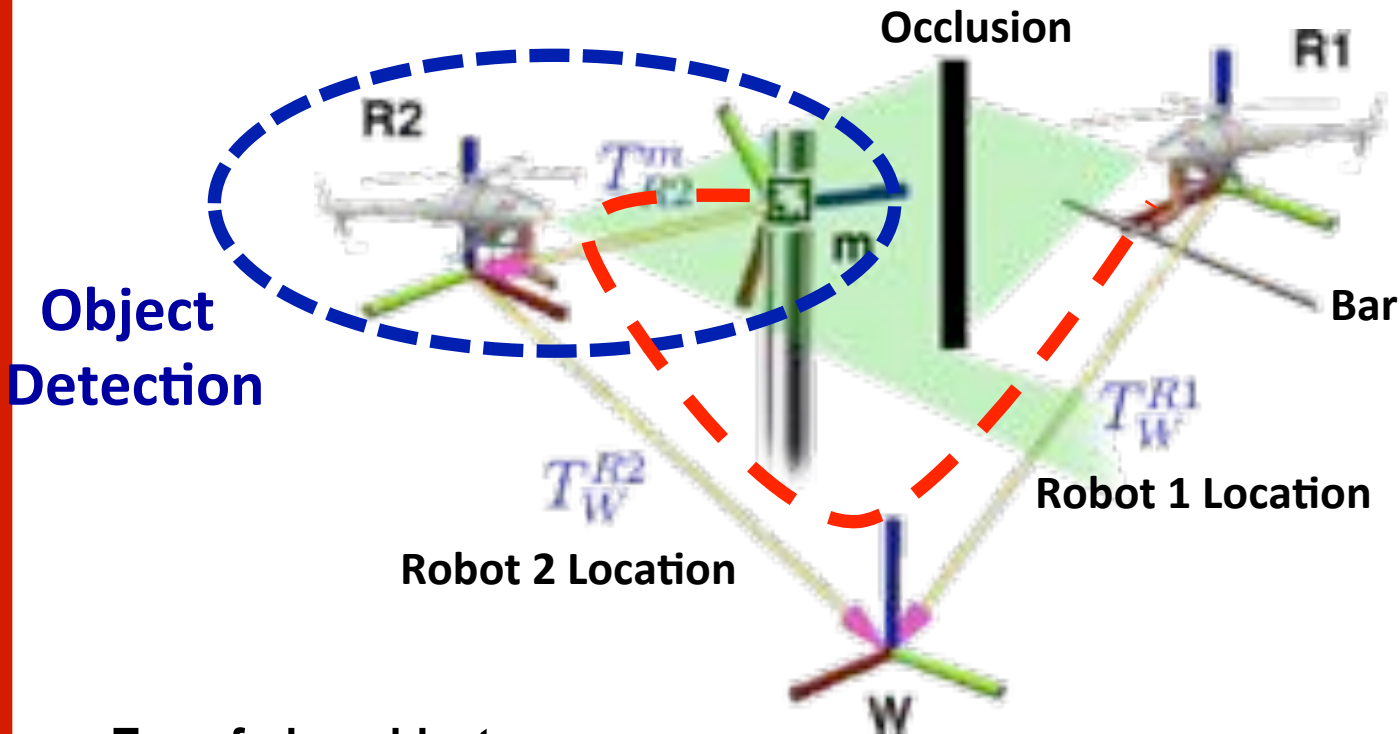
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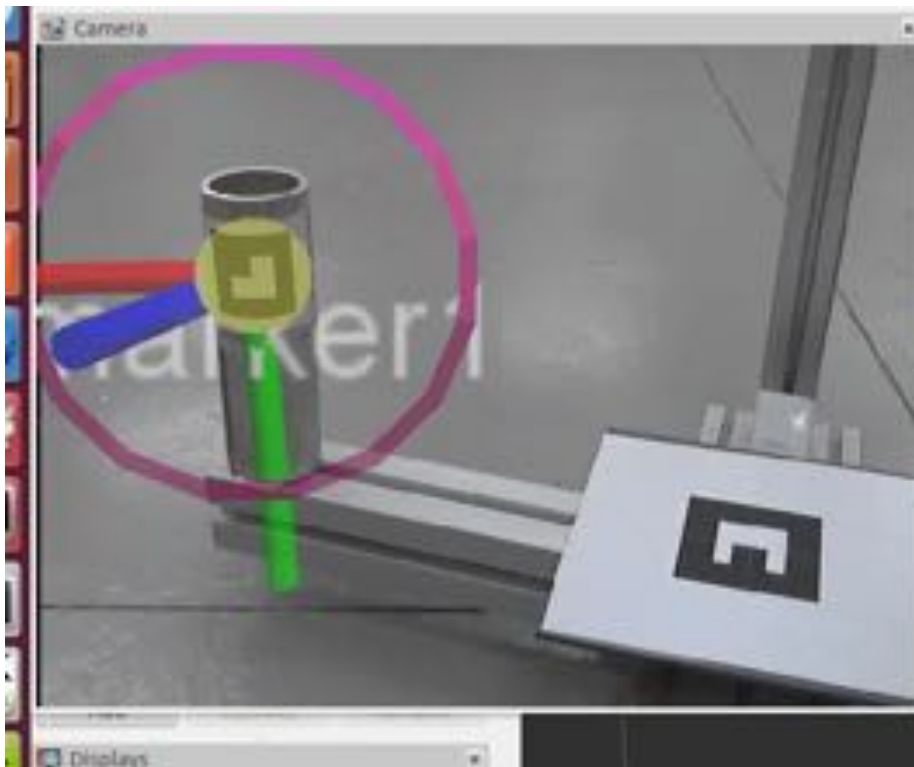
Transferring object pose:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T_W^m &= T_{R2}^m \cdot T_W^{R2} \\ T_{R1}^m &= T_W^m \cdot (T_W^{R1})^{-1} \end{aligned} \right\} T_{R1}^m = T_{R2}^m \cdot T_W^{R2} \cdot (T_W^{R1})^{-1}$$

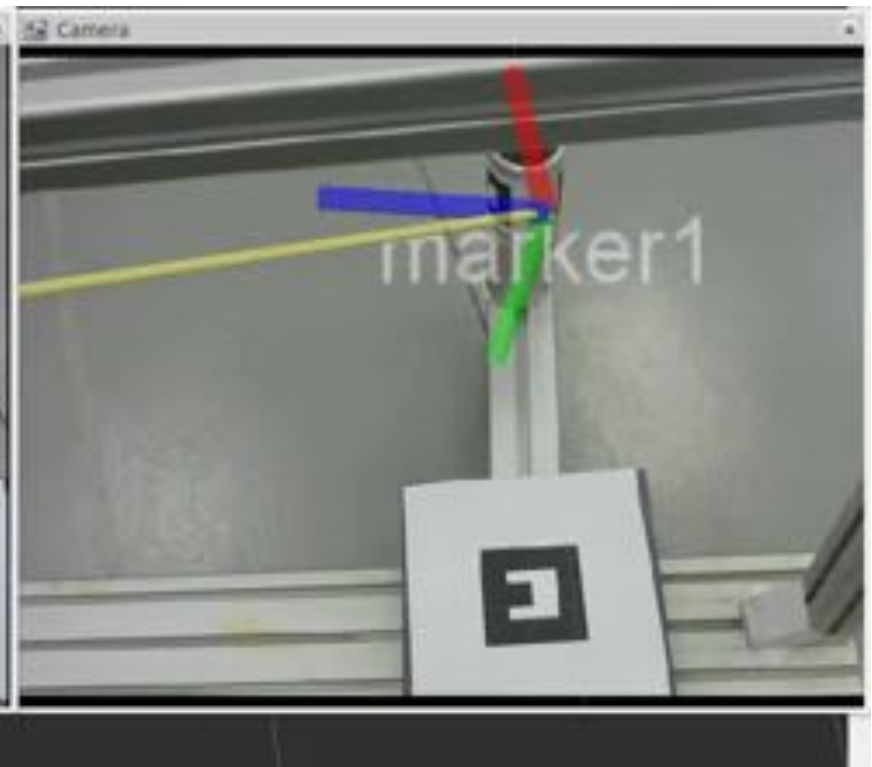
Cooperative perception

Experiments:

Camera 2



Camera 1



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