

ROS for Education and Applied Research: Practical Experiences

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Context of Work

University of Burgundy - FRANCE



✓ European Master in Vision & roBOTics (ViBot)

> Erasmus Mundus Programme

> Girona Univ. & Heriot-Watt Univ. Edinburgh



✓ Le2i Research Group

> Image Processing, Computer Science and Electronics

> Non-Classical Imaging



Motivations

Share our experience of ROS with the dev. community

- ✓ **Started in 2013**

- ✓ **2 Challenges in Computer Vision & Mobile Robotics**

 - > Introduction Modules for Education Programs

 - > Research & Development (Internships, Projects, Applications, ...)

- ✓ **Unique Platform**

Outline

Learn, Teach, Search & Develop

1. Learning ROS

2. Education

- ✓ BSc & MSc Programs

3. Research

- ✓ Omnidirectional Vision for Mobile Robotics

4. Application Development

- ✓ 3D Vision for Precision Agriculture

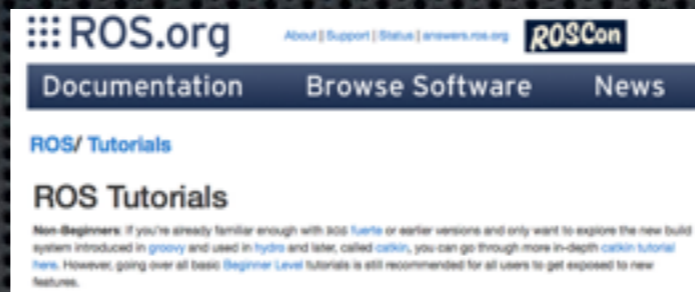
5. Conclusion

Learning

How we learn ROS

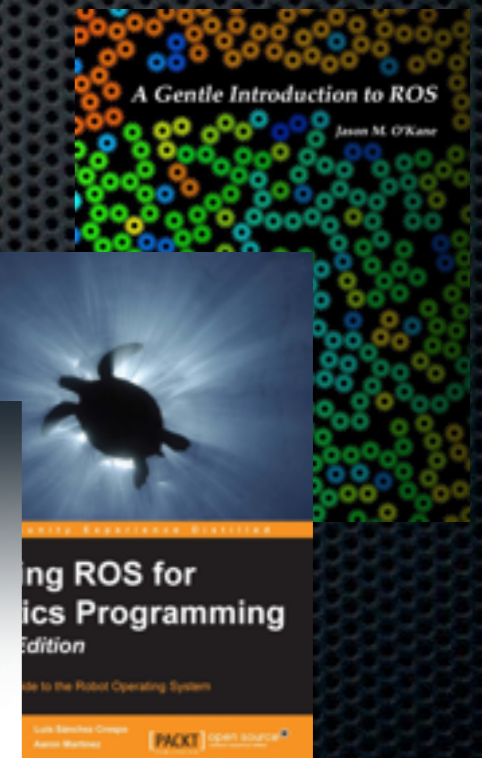
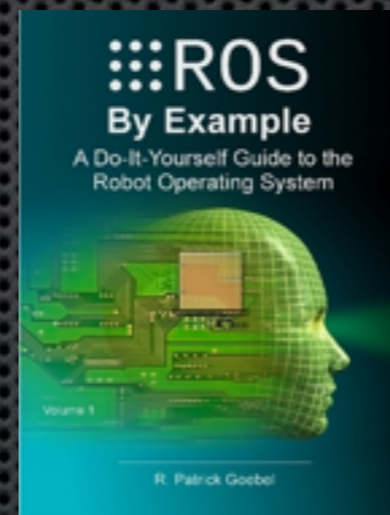
✓ Official Tutorials

> ROS Wiki



✓ Books

> ROS by Example, ...



✓ Workshops

> GDR-Robotique, ...



✓ ROSCon & Shows (Innorobo, ...)

Education

How we teach ROS

✓ Intensive Training Sessions (40 hours + Practice)

> Tutorials

- Introduction to the Middleware
- Packages, Simulation & Basic Control
- Nodes with Python Programming & Launch Files
- C++ Programming
- TurtleBot2



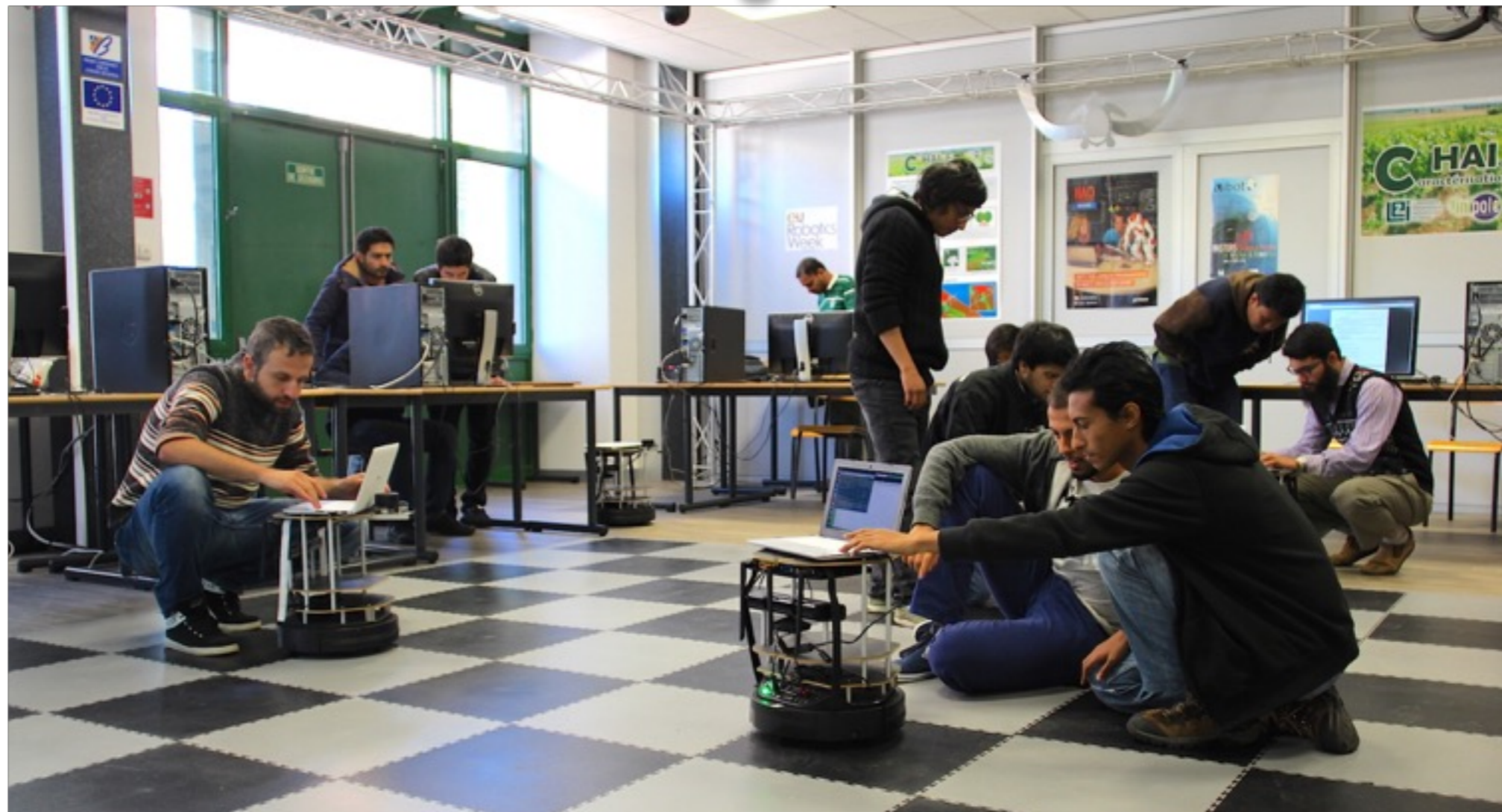
> Technical Workshop, Summer School

Education

How we teach ROS

✓ Project Development

➤ Robotics Laboratory



Education

How we teach ROS

✓ Project Development (~250 hours)

> BSc

- Part 1 - Motion Control

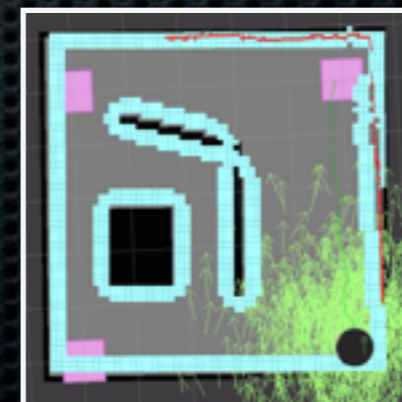
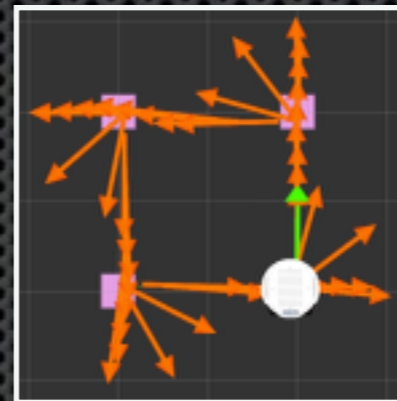
twist, odometry, move_base

- Part 2 - Planar Laser RangeFinder

RoboPeak RP-Lidar, tf, turtlebot

- Part 3 - Navigation & Localization

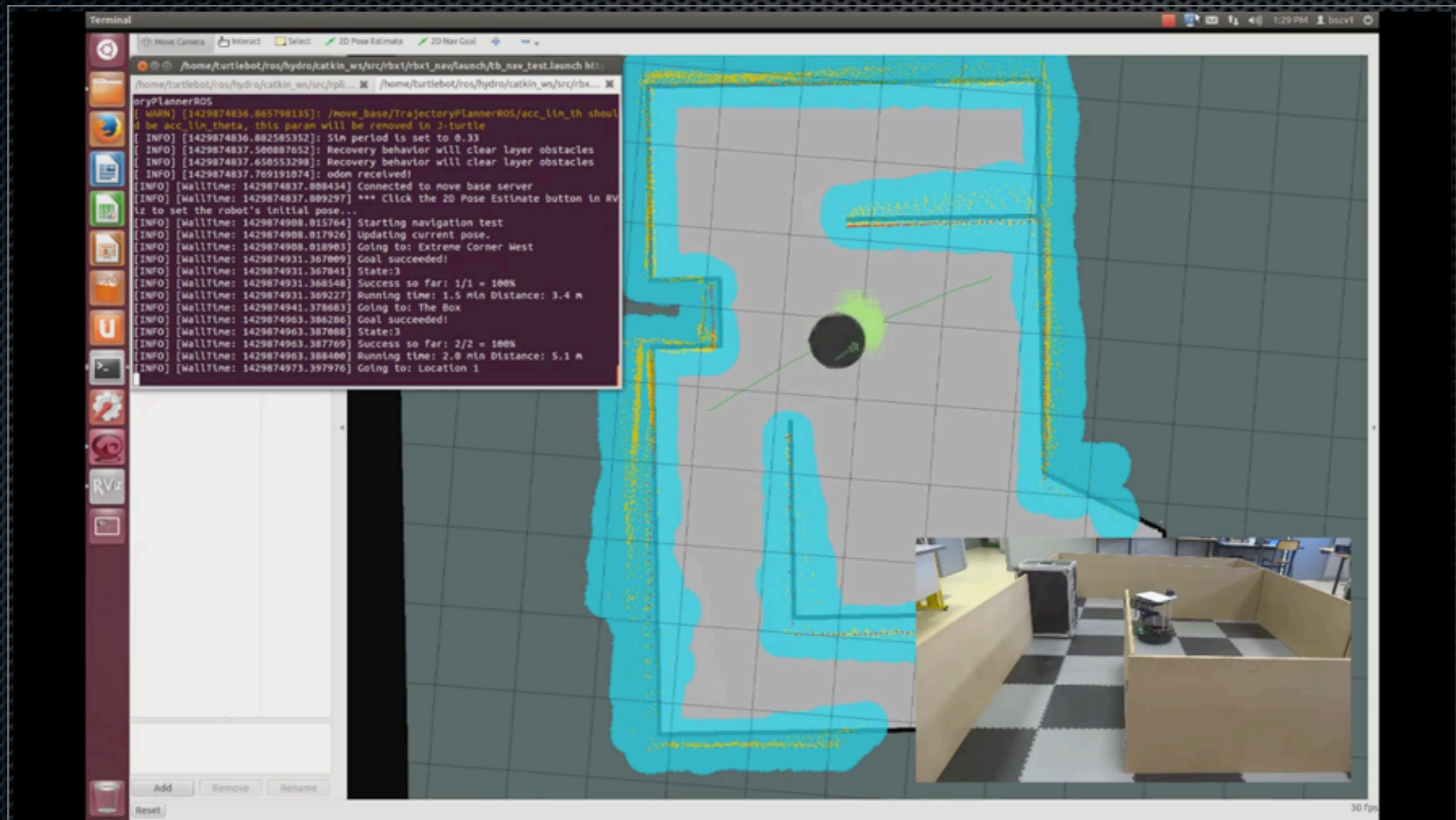
move_base, gmapping, amcl



Education

How we teach ROS

- ✓ BSc Robotics Projects - Indoor Navigation with TurtleBot2



Education

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✓ Project Development (~250 hours)

> MSc = BSc + Computer Vision Tasks

- Patrolling with Tasks: Tag / Face Recognition, Search and Rescue, Fire Escape, ...

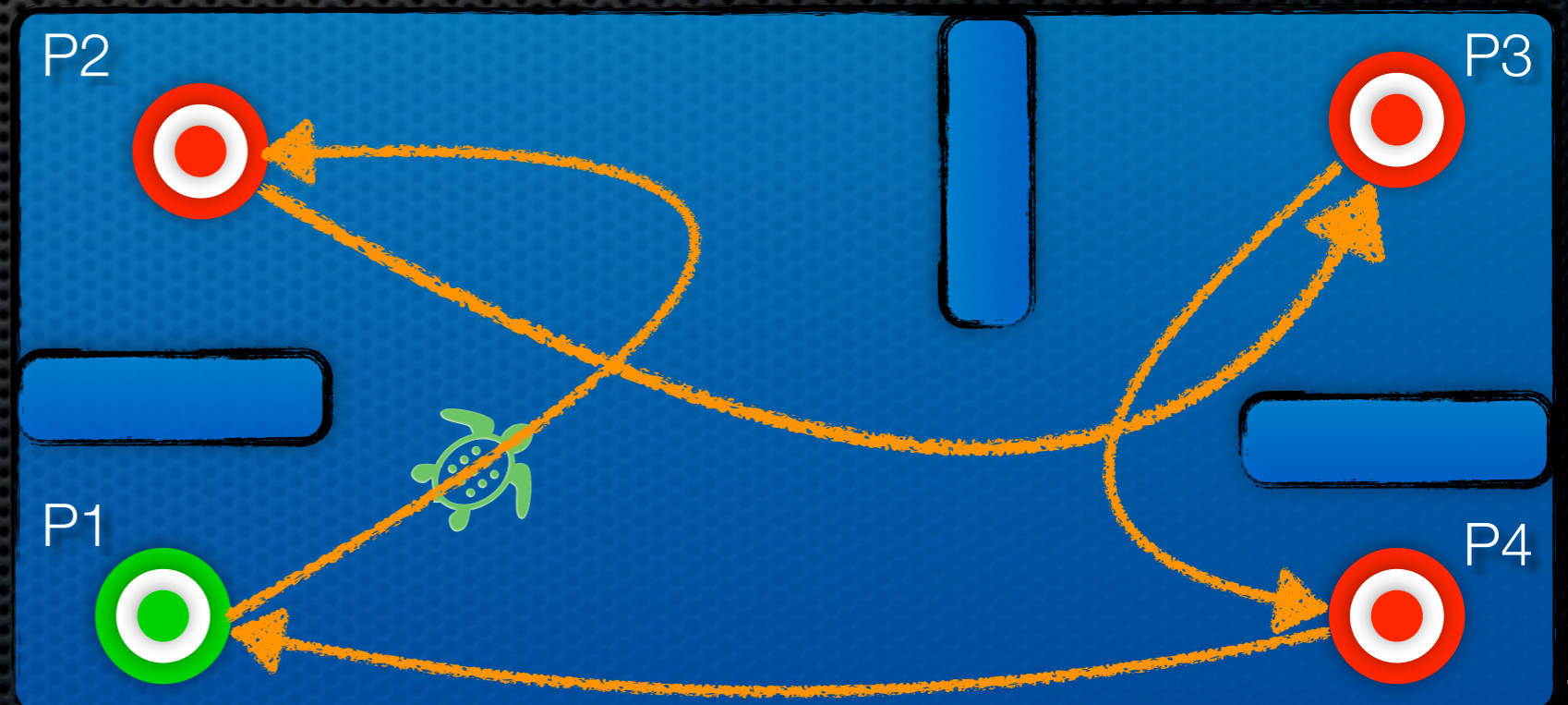
openni,

opencv,

pcl,

visp,

smach, ...



Education

How we teach ROS

- ✓ MSc Robotics Projects - Indoor Patrolling with TurtleBot2

The image displays a ROS development environment. On the left, a window titled 'visp_auto_tracker debug display' shows a camera feed of a hand holding a tag with a red crosshair and green bounding boxes. Below the camera feed is a 2D floor plan with a blue path. A terminal window at the bottom left shows the following output:

```
sample : n_total_sample : 250
klt : Mask Border : 0
klt : Max Features : 10000
klt : Windows Size : 5
klt : Quality : 0.01
klt : Min Distance : 20
klt : Harris Parameter : 0.01
klt : Block Size : 3
klt : Pyramid Levels : 3
face : Angle Appear : 75
face : Angle Disappear : 75
camera : u0 : 319.5 (default)
camera : v0 : 239.5 (default)
camera : px : 525 (default)
camera : py : 525 (default)
[ INFO ] [1418815327.041702824]: detection Camera parameters:
Camera parameters for perspective projection without distortion:
px = 525    py = 525
u0 = 319.5  v0 = 239.5
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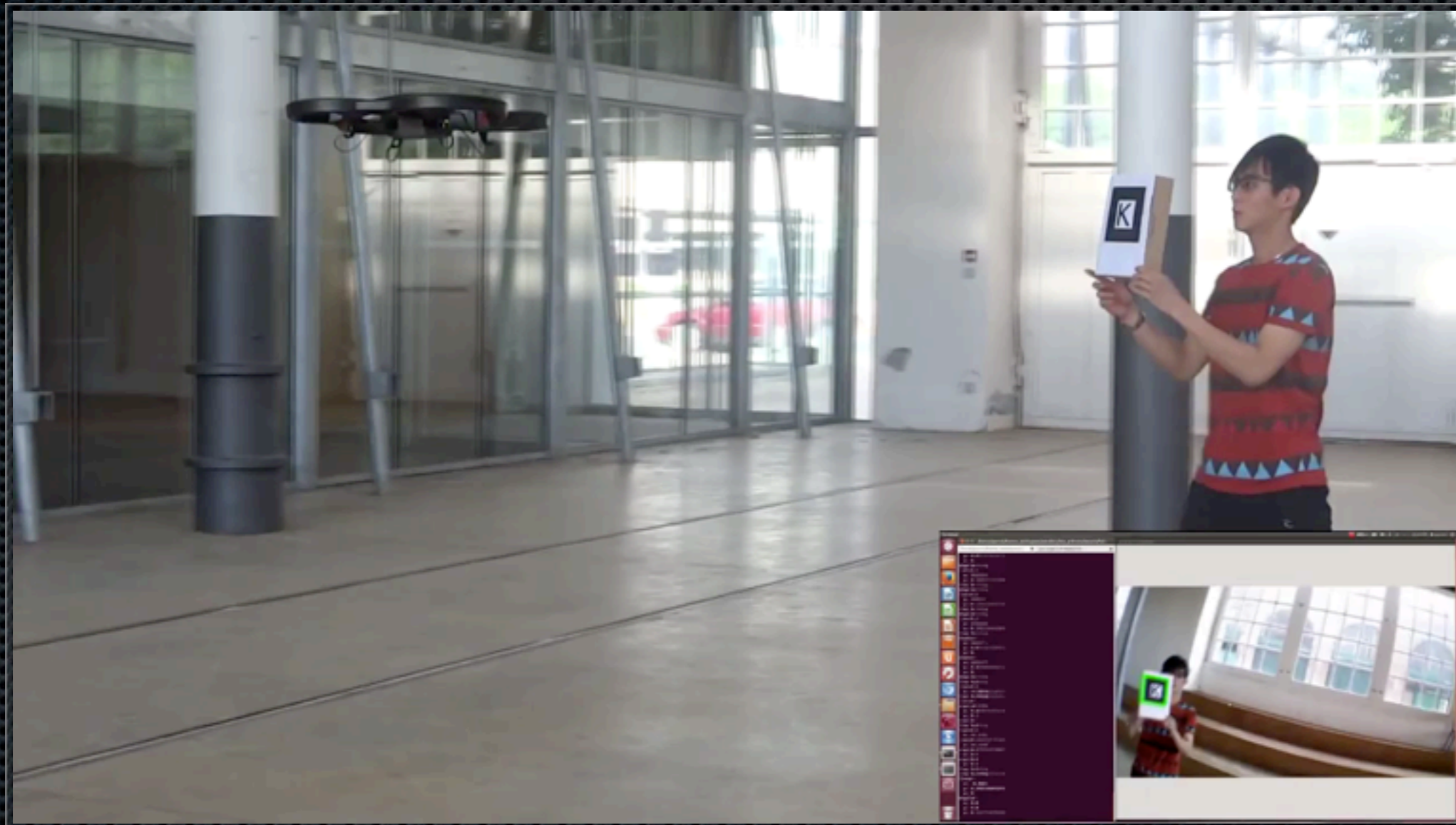
On the right, a 'Smach Viewer' window shows a state machine diagram with nodes like 'SM_ROOT', 'Start', 'DetectTag', 'Task1', 'Task2', and 'Task3'. A red node is highlighted at the bottom.

Task 3 - Tag Detection

Education

How we teach ROS

- ✓ Education Project UTP - UAV Tag Tracking



ardrone_autonomy , artoolkit

Research Project

Omnidirectional Vision for Mobile Robotics

✓ **Omnidirectional Compact Sensor - Principle**

- Fisheye Lens -> Wide Angle of View $\sim 185^\circ$
- 2 Non-Overlapping Fisheye Cameras
-> Full Panoramic Spherical View



Research Project

Omnidirectional Vision for Mobile Robotics

✓ **Omnidirectional Compact Sensor - Camera Rig**

- 2 x IDS-Imaging uEye USB 3.0 Camera - *UI-3240CP*
- 2 x Fisheye Lens - *FUJINON FE185C046HA-1*



Acquisition: *ueye stereo, message_filters*

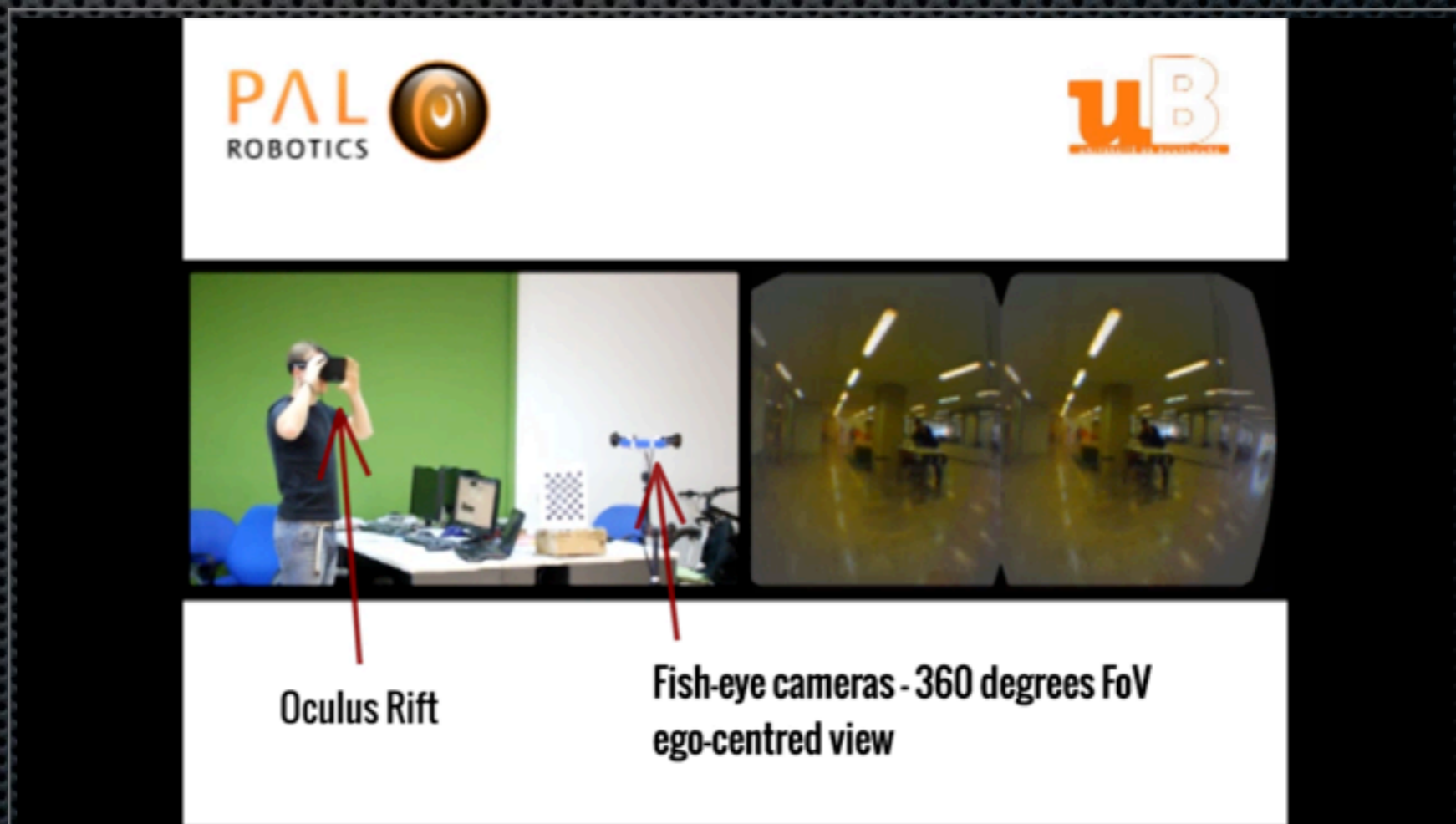
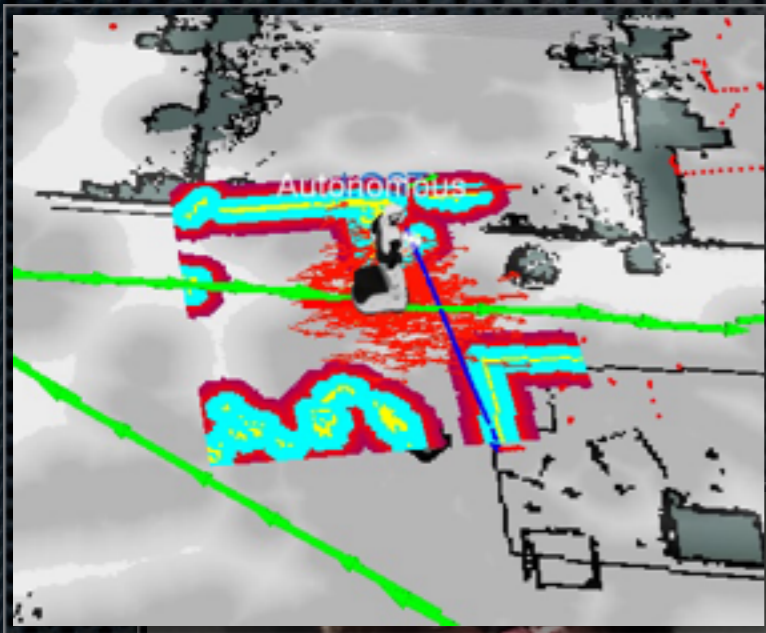
Spherical Image: <https://github.com/artivis>

Research Project

Omnidirectional Vision for Mobile Robotics

✓ **Omnidirectional Compact Sensor**

> Localization & Telepresence



Application Development

3D Vision for Precision Agriculture

✓ Burgundy Viticulture

-> Sustainable Spray Application of Phytosanitary Products

✓ Adapt Amount of Applied Products w/r Leaf Density of the Vineyard Rows

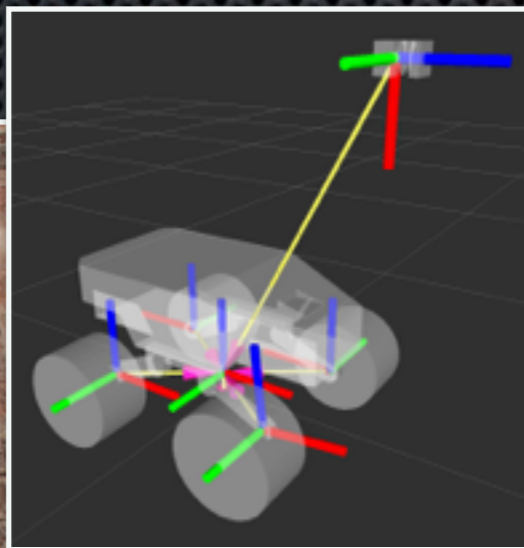


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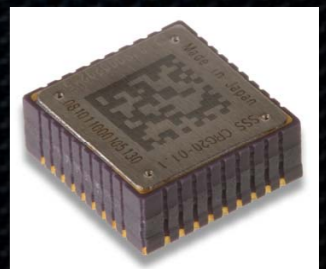
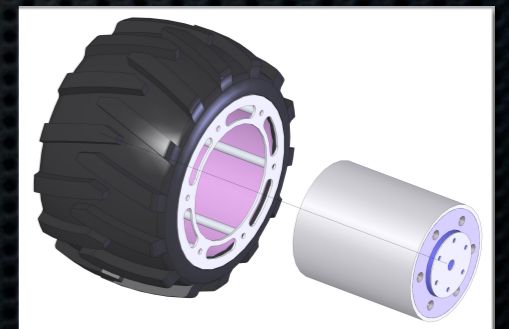
3D Vision for Precision Agriculture

✓ Prototype for 3D Vineyard Canopy Analysis

Robotnik SUMMIT XL

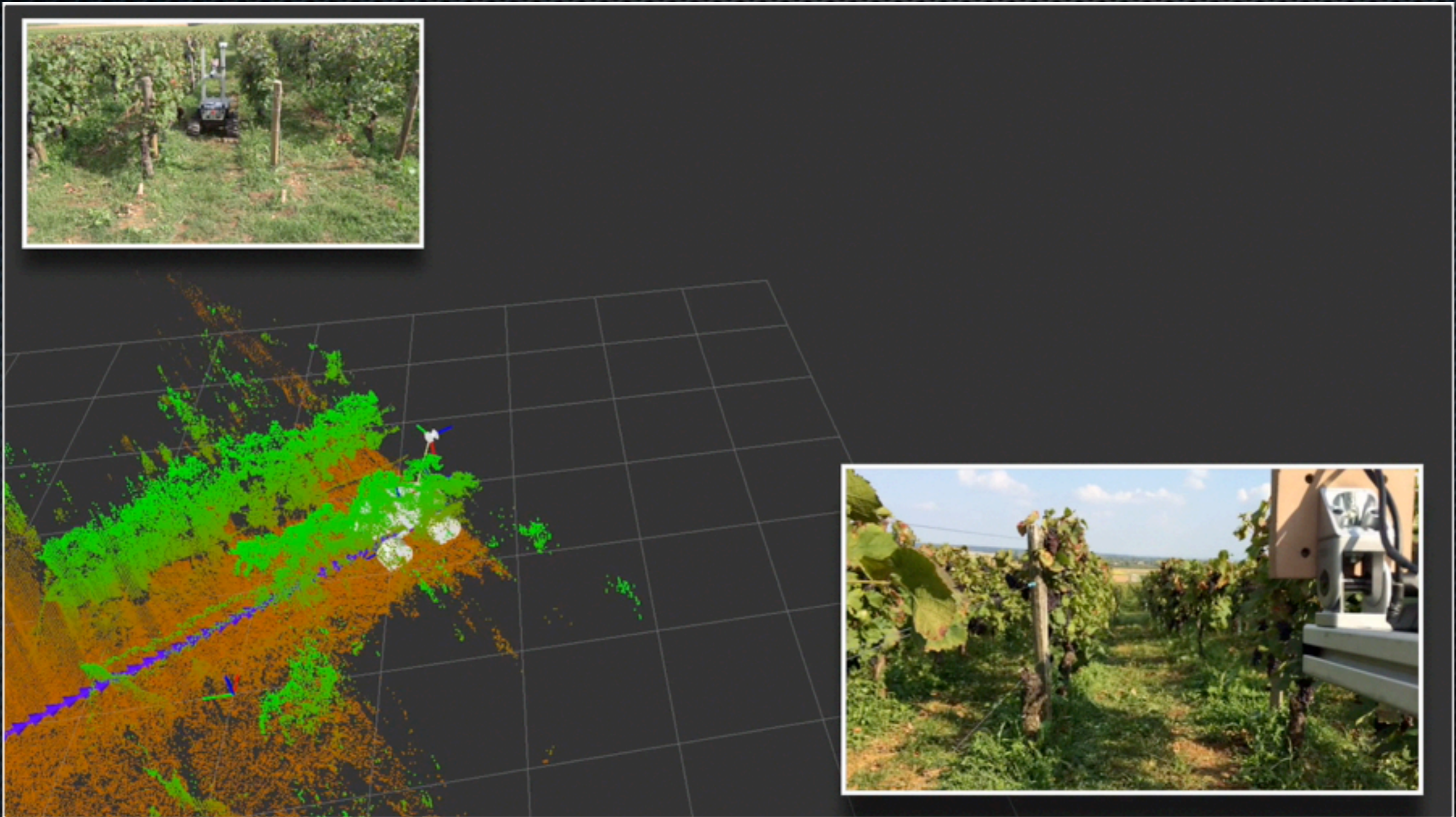


- ✦ LiDAR Sensor
 - ✓ HOKUYO UTM-30-LX
- ✦ Odometry
 - ✓ 4 Wheel Encoders
- ✦ Gyroscope
 - ✓ CRG20 Silicon Sensing



Application Development

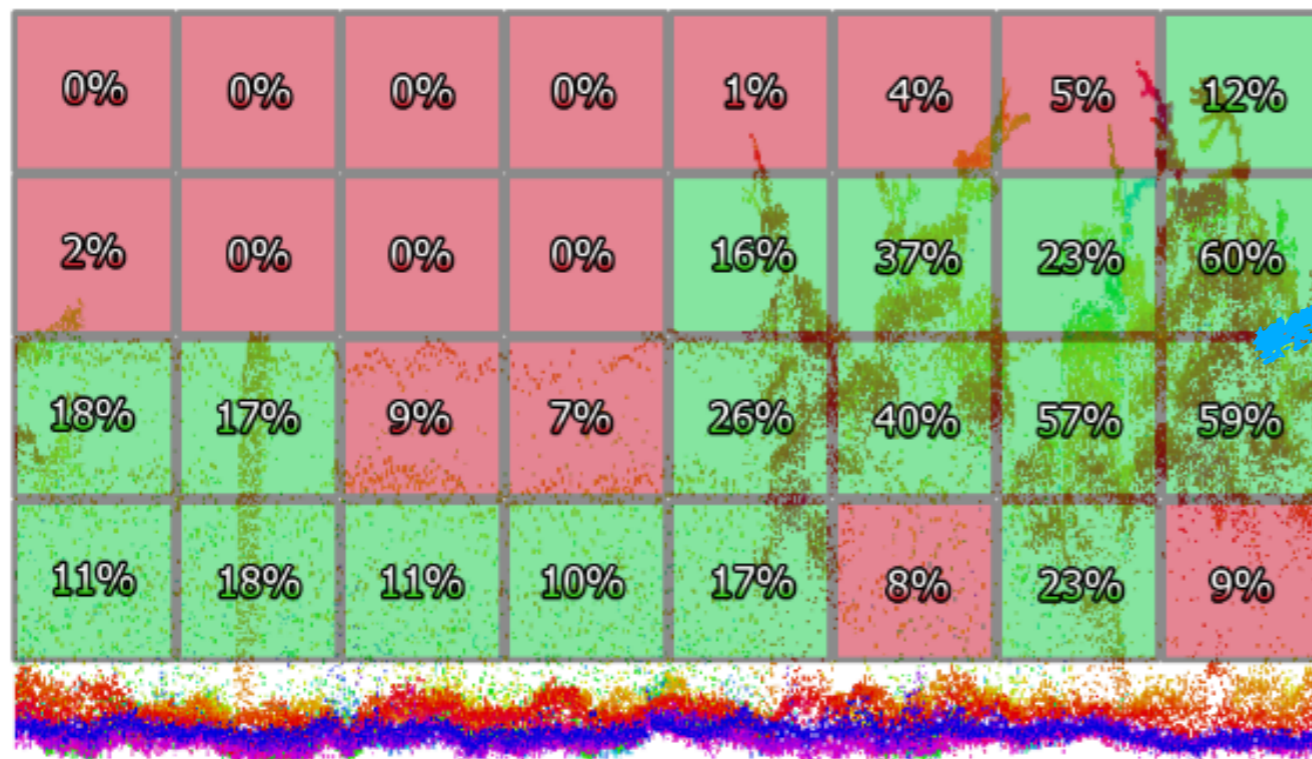
3D Vision for Precision Agriculture



summit_xl, tf, hokuyo_node, laser_pipeline

Application Development

3D Vision for Precision Agriculture



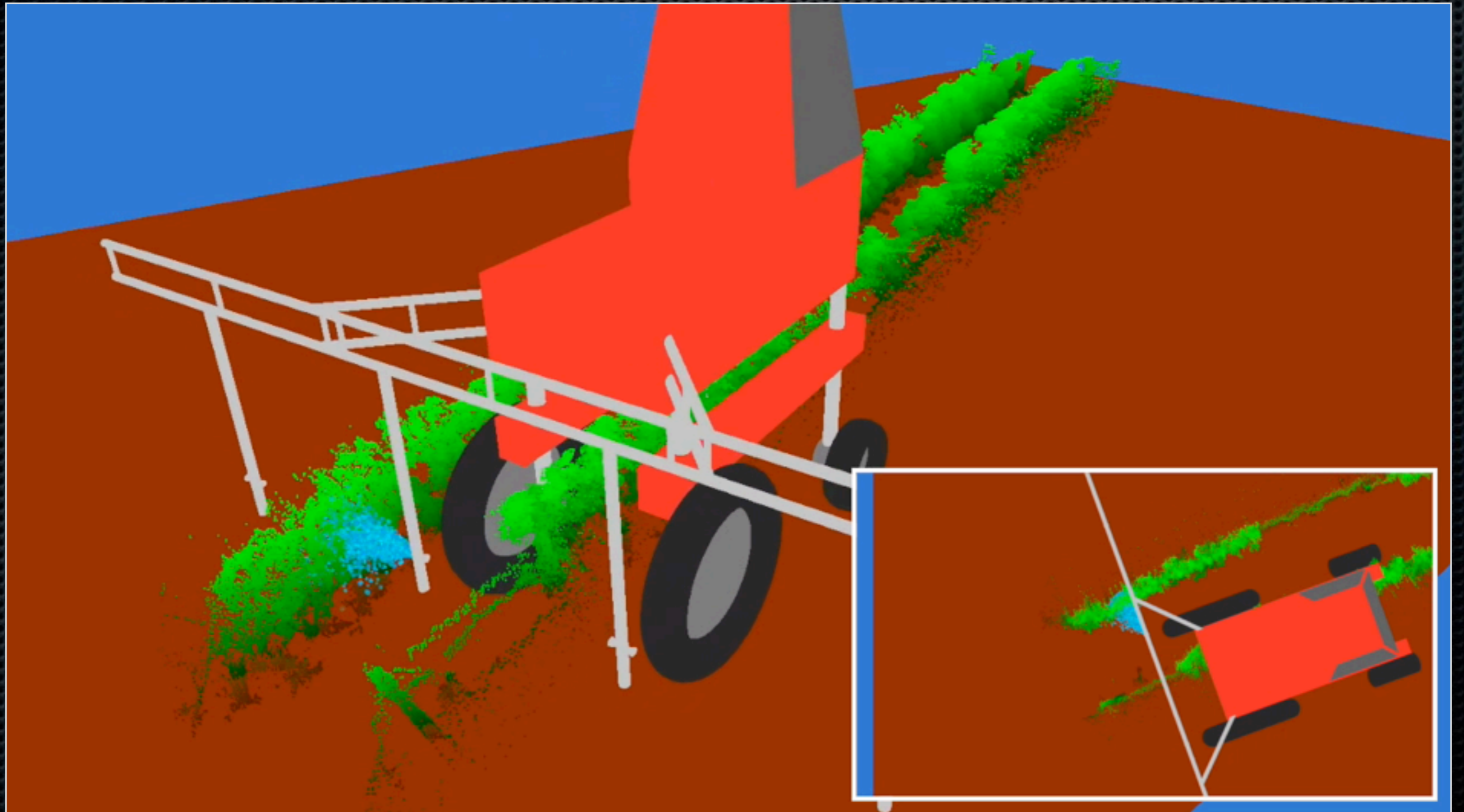
I/O Module



laser_assembler, laserscan2pointcloud2, pcl

Application Development

3D Vision for Precision Agriculture



Conclusion

ROS for Education and Applied Research

✓ **How to use ROS from scratch ?**

- > Training & Networking

- > Practice -> TurtleBot2

✓ **ROSified Hardware**

✓ **ROS for Instrumentation**

- > OpenSource Acquisition & Processing Platform

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