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Victims





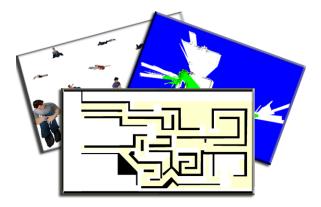
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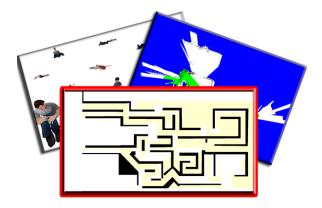
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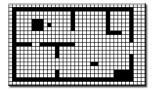
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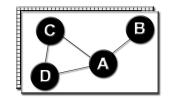


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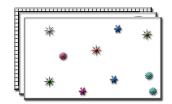


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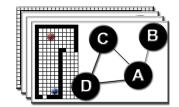


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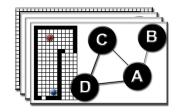
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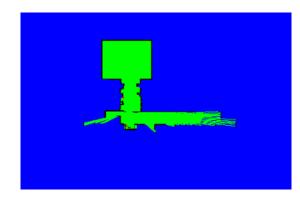
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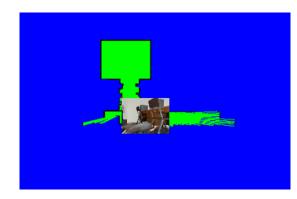
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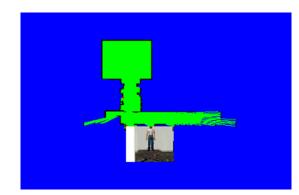
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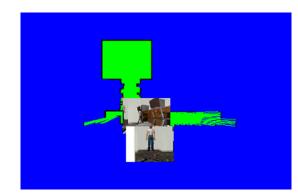
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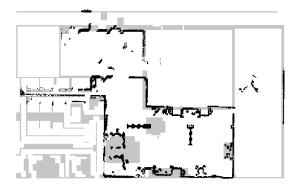


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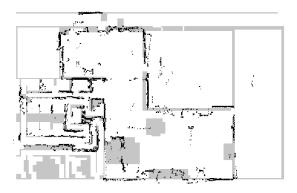


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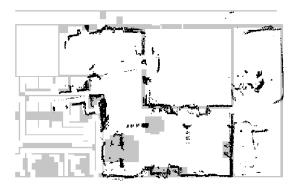


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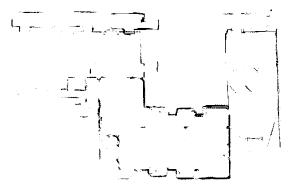
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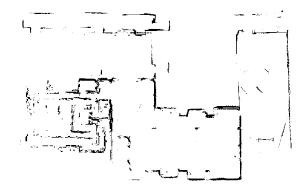
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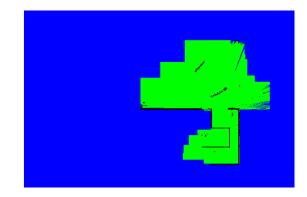


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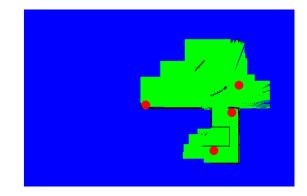
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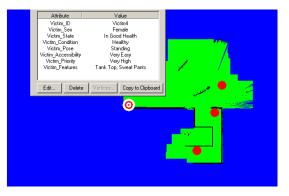


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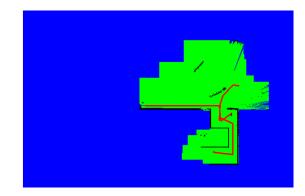


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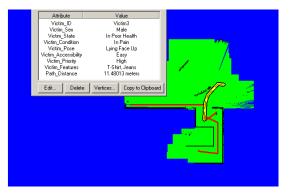


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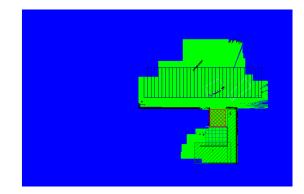
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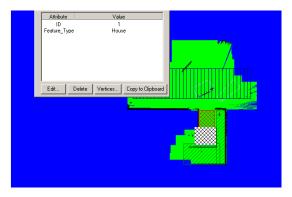


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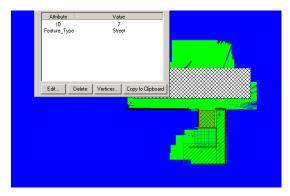


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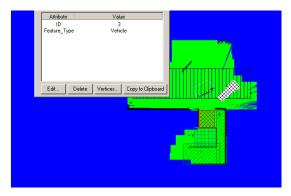


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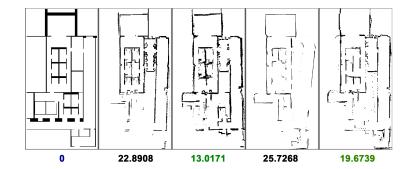
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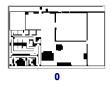
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- Pearson's Correlation (Guyon et al. 2006)
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What have we learned from previous works?

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- No "catch-all" solution
- Application-dependent (USAR)
- Categorized solution
 - Metric Quality
 - Skeleton Quality
 - Annotation
 - Grouping
 - Utility
 - Creativity



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• Rewards map accuracy compared to ground truth

- Similar localization errors can have different impacts
 - Global Quality
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- Scoring: normalized based on best map



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Reduces a map into a set of connected locations

- Accuracy determined by following the skeleton
 - False positives
 - False negatives
- Scoring: point deductions for each inconsistency



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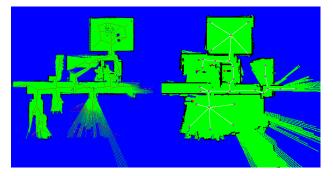
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- Describes important features or landmarks
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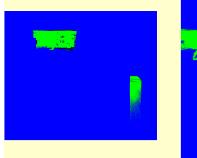
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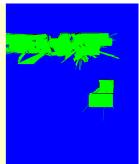
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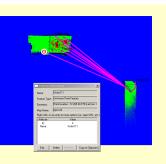
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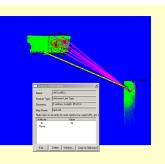
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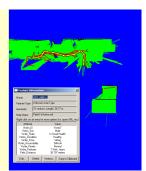
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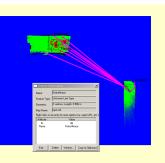
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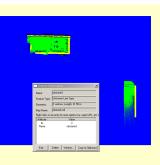
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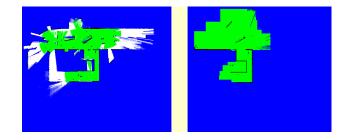
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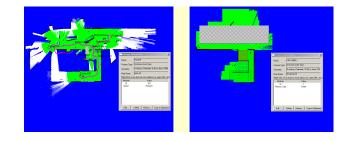
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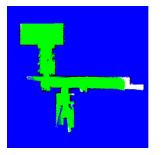
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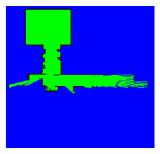
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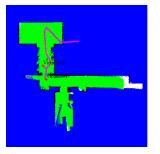


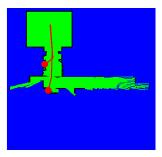




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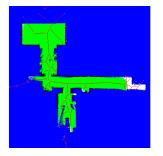


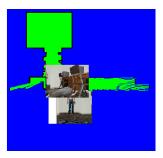




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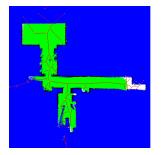
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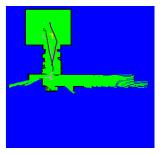
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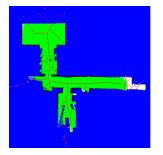


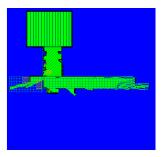




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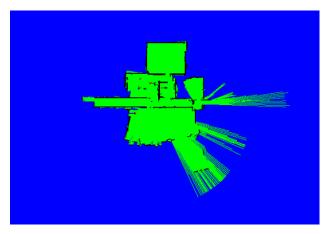
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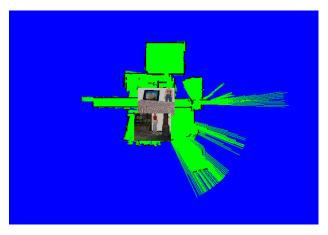
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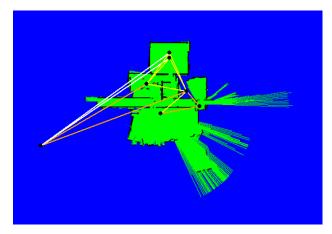
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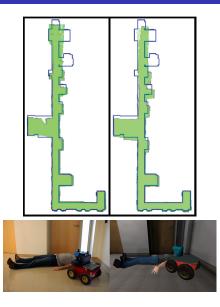
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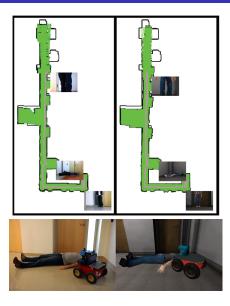
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- Lack of proper metric quality benchmarks
- Categorized map benchmarks for USAR
- Map representation standards
- Commitment to open-source and open standards
- Tested with simulated and real robots
- Benefit of simulations



Thanks!

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