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SLAMBench: A performance and accuracy benchmarking methodology for SLAM

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BMVA Meeting: Vision for Robotics, 3rd December 2014



Robot vision entering mass market



Death of Moore's law



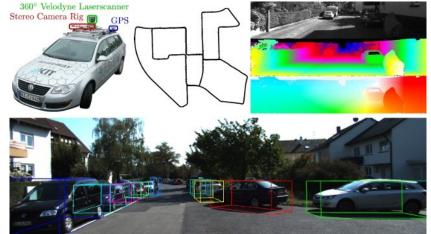
PAMELA – A Panoramic View of the Many-core Landscape

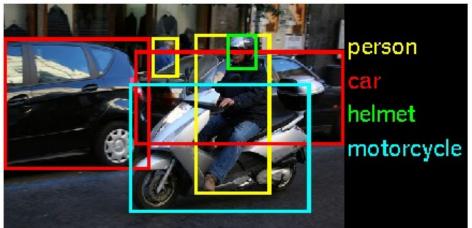
- 5-year EPSRC Programme Grant
- Three partners: Edinburgh, Imperial, Manchester
- Groups specializing in:
 - Computer architecture
 - O Domain specific optimization and languages
 - O Compiler and runtime design
 - o Robotic vision
- Holistic look at the entire software/hardware stack
- **3D scene understanding** as the unifying challenge application

Need for a performance benchmark

Computer vision benchmarks only consider accuracy!





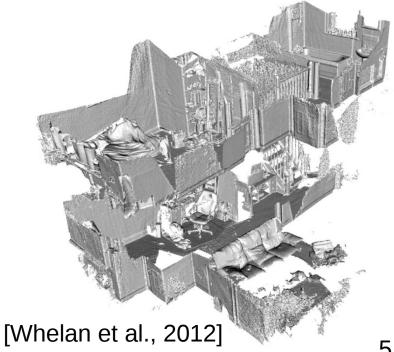


Where do we start?

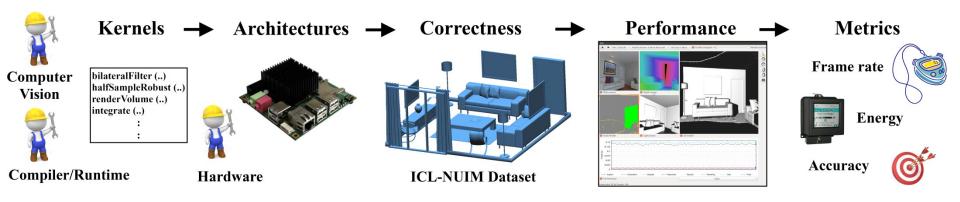
- Simultaneous Localisation and Mapping (SLAM)
- Dense SLAM with a depth camera KinectFusion
- Building block of large scale dense systems



[Chen et al., 2013]

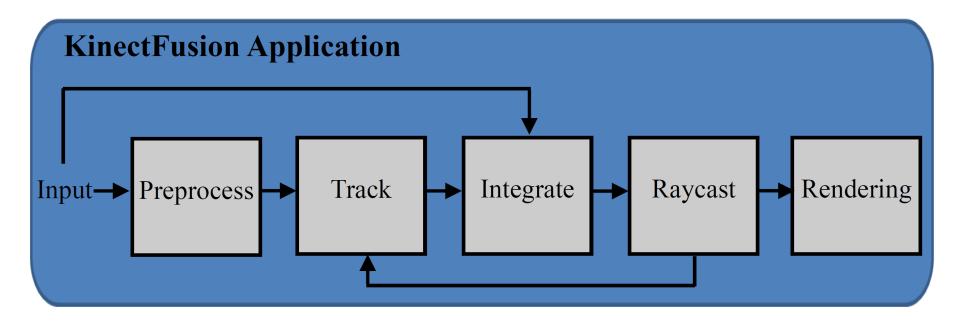


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- Multi-platform KinectFusion implementations
- Measure correctness on synthetic dataset [Handa et al., 2014]
- Kernel-level speed, and energy characterisation
- Enable multi-disciplinary cooperation

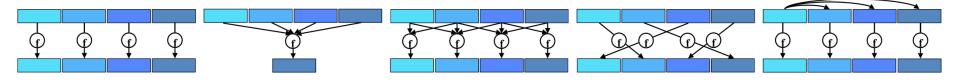
SLAMBench: Application pipeline



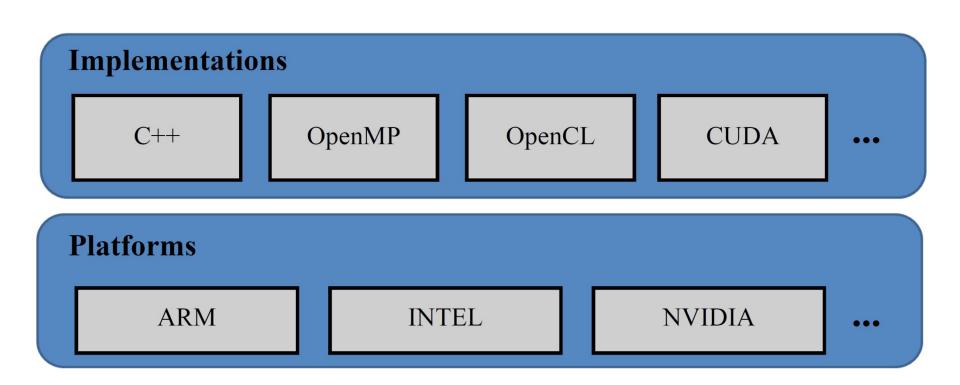
- Truncated Signed Distance Function (TSDF) representation for map (dense 3D reconstruction)
- Predict new depth map from reconstruction
- Align using Iterative Closest Point (ICP) algorithm

SLAMBench: Application pipeline

Kernels	Building Block	Pattern
mm2meters	Preprocess	Gather
bilateralFilter	Preprocess	Stencil
halfSample	Track	Stencil
depth2vertex	Track	Мар
vertex2normal	Track	Stencil
track	Track	Map/Gather
reduce	Track	Reduction
solve	Track	Sequential
integrate	Integrate	Map/Gather
raycast	Raycast	Search/Stencil
renderDepth	Rendering	Мар
renderTrack	Rendering	Мар
renderVolume	Rendering	Search/Stencil



SLAMBench: Multiple platforms



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Machine	Туре	CPU cores	GPU FPU32s	GPU GFLOPS (SP)
TITAN	Desktop	4 (i7 Haswell)	2688	2250
GTX870M	Laptop	4 (i7 Haswell)	1344	1260
TK1	Embedded	4 (Cortex-A15) + 1	192	330
ODROID (XU3)	Embedded	4 (Cortex-A15) + 4 (Cortex-A7)	60	60+30
Arndale	Embedded	2 (Cortex-A15)	40	60







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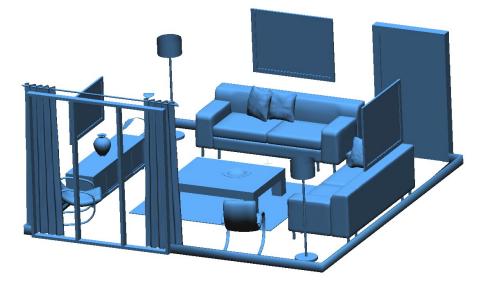
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SLAMBench: Accuracy

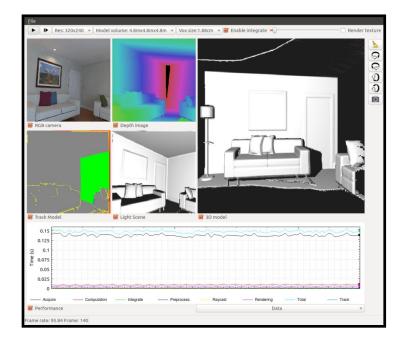
Correctness Verification

ICL-NUIM Dataset

Visualisation Tool



[Handa et al., 2014]

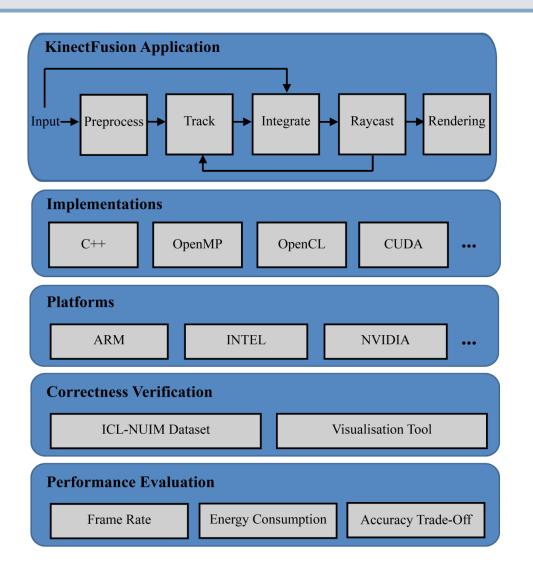


SLAMBench: Metrics

Performance Evaluation					
	Frame Rate	Energy Consumption	Accuracy Trade-Off		

- Kernel-wise evaluation of compute time
- ODROID voltage/current sensors exploiting split power rails
- Knobs to vary different algorithmic parameters affecting accuracy, energy, and frame rate

SLAMBench Suite



- Publicly available
- Easy to understand and extend
- Early adopters include: ARM, IBM TJ Watson Labs, Intel
- ICRA submission [Nardi et al., 2015], available on arXiv.

Experiments

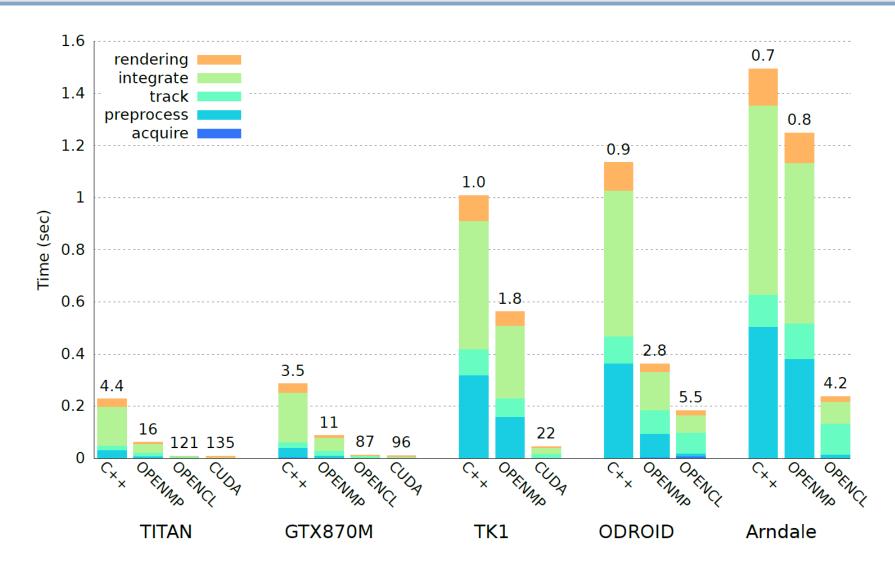
- ICL-NUIM dataset [Handa et al., 2014]
- Synthetic living room model (4.5 m x 4.5 m x 4.5 m)
- Kinect sensor noise added
- Trajectory manually recorded with a real sensor



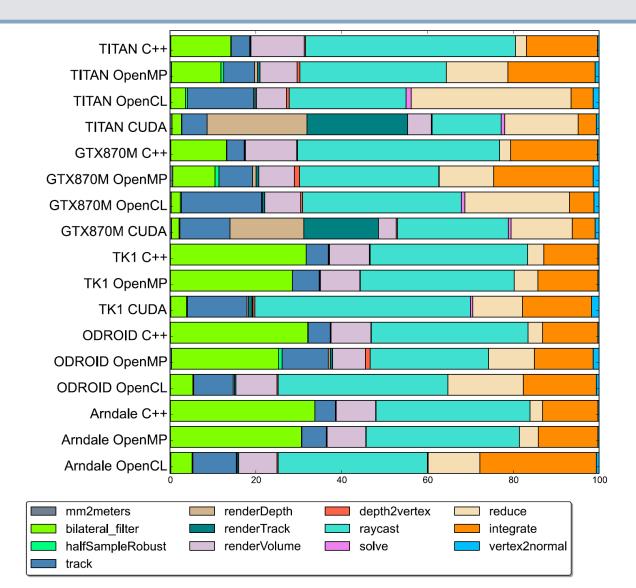
Accuracy

- Total 17 platform, language combinations evaluated
- Platforms: TITAN, GTX870M, TK1, ODROID, Arndale
- Languages: C++, OpenMP, OpenCL, CUDA
- Absolute trajectory error in the range of **2.01-2.07 cm**
- Not the same: due to multi-threaded execution and different hardware architectures!

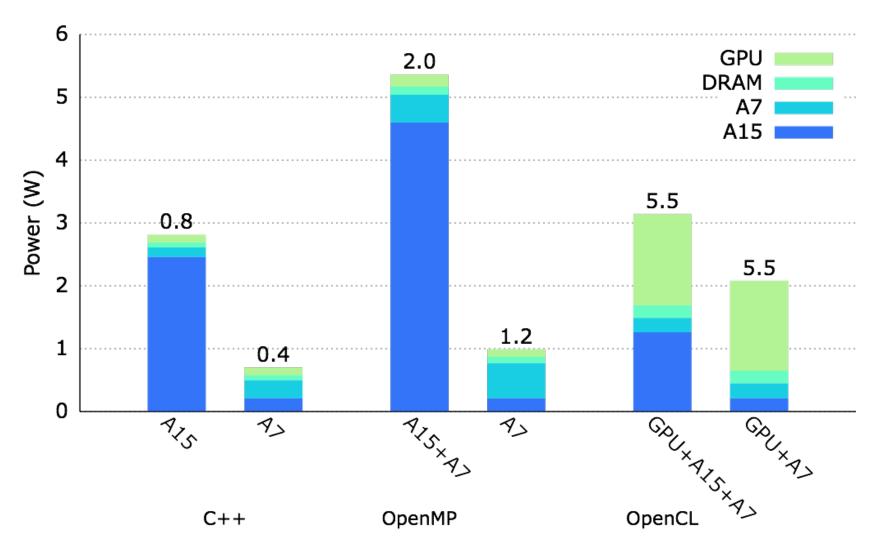
Elapsed times and frame rates: Blocks



Percentage of time spent in each kernel



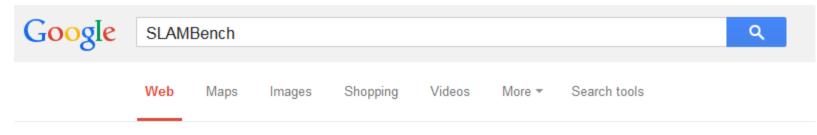
Power consumption on ODROID



Conclusion and future work

- Accuracy + Computational performance + Energy
- Benchmark to compare hardware accelerators, software tools, and novel algorithms
- Future: Extension, Design-space exploration, domain specific languages and optimizations

Questions?



About 2,740 results (0.36 seconds)

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SLAMBench presents a foundation for quantitative, comparable and validatable experimental research to investigate trade-offs for performance, accuracy and ...

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