

# Software Self-configurability in GPU-accelerated Robot Vision

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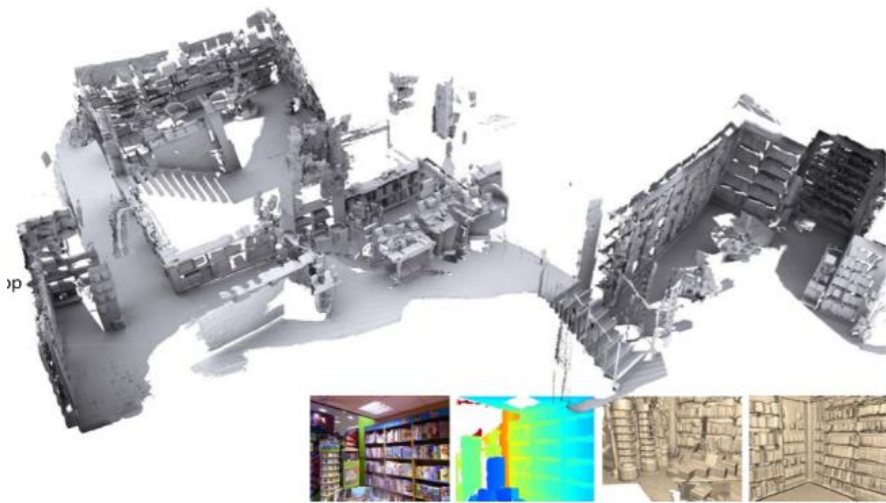
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# The three R's of vision: Spectrum of Computer Vision Research

## Reconstruction

Scalable Kinect Fusion  
(2013)

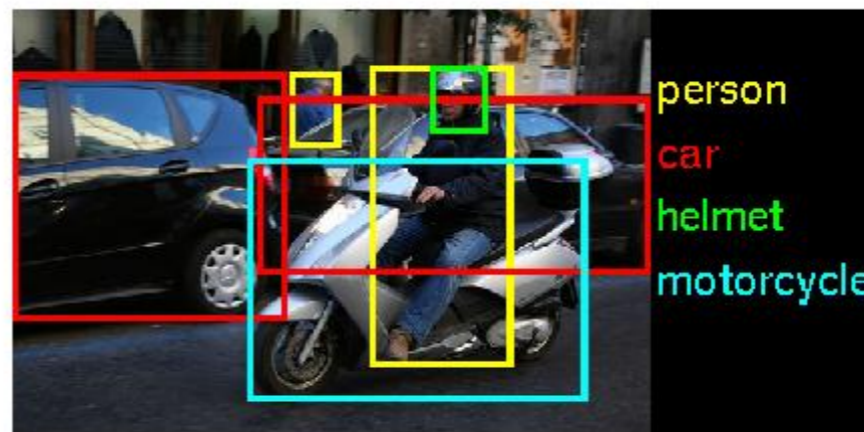
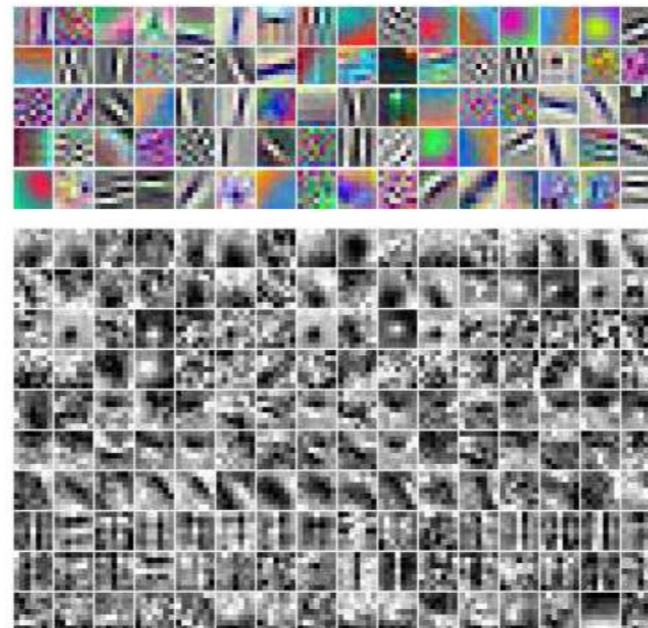


Building Rome on a  
cloudless day (2010)



## Recognition

Deep learning for scalable  
Object class detection (2014)



## Reorganisation or Grouping

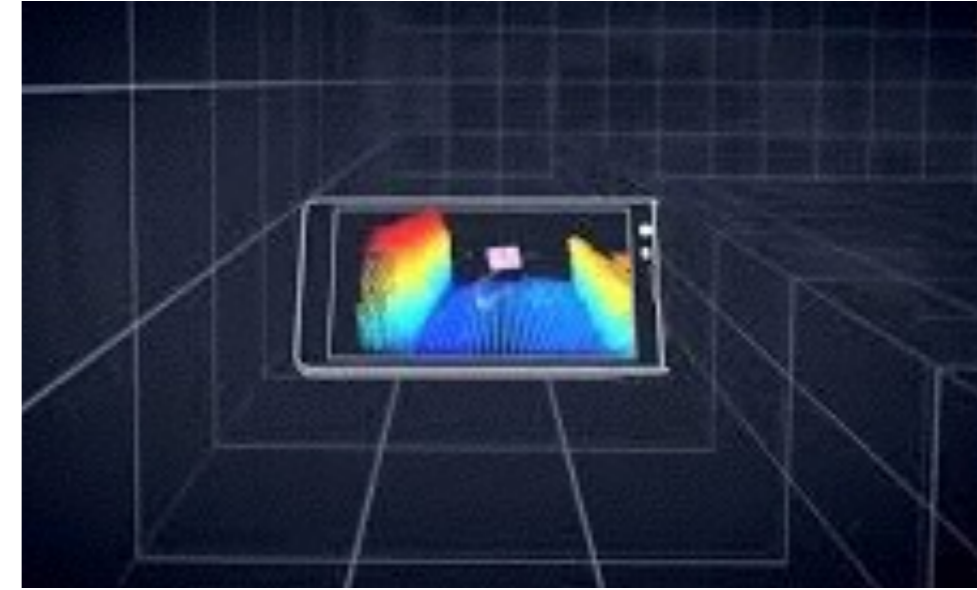
Contour detection  
and segmentation (2011)



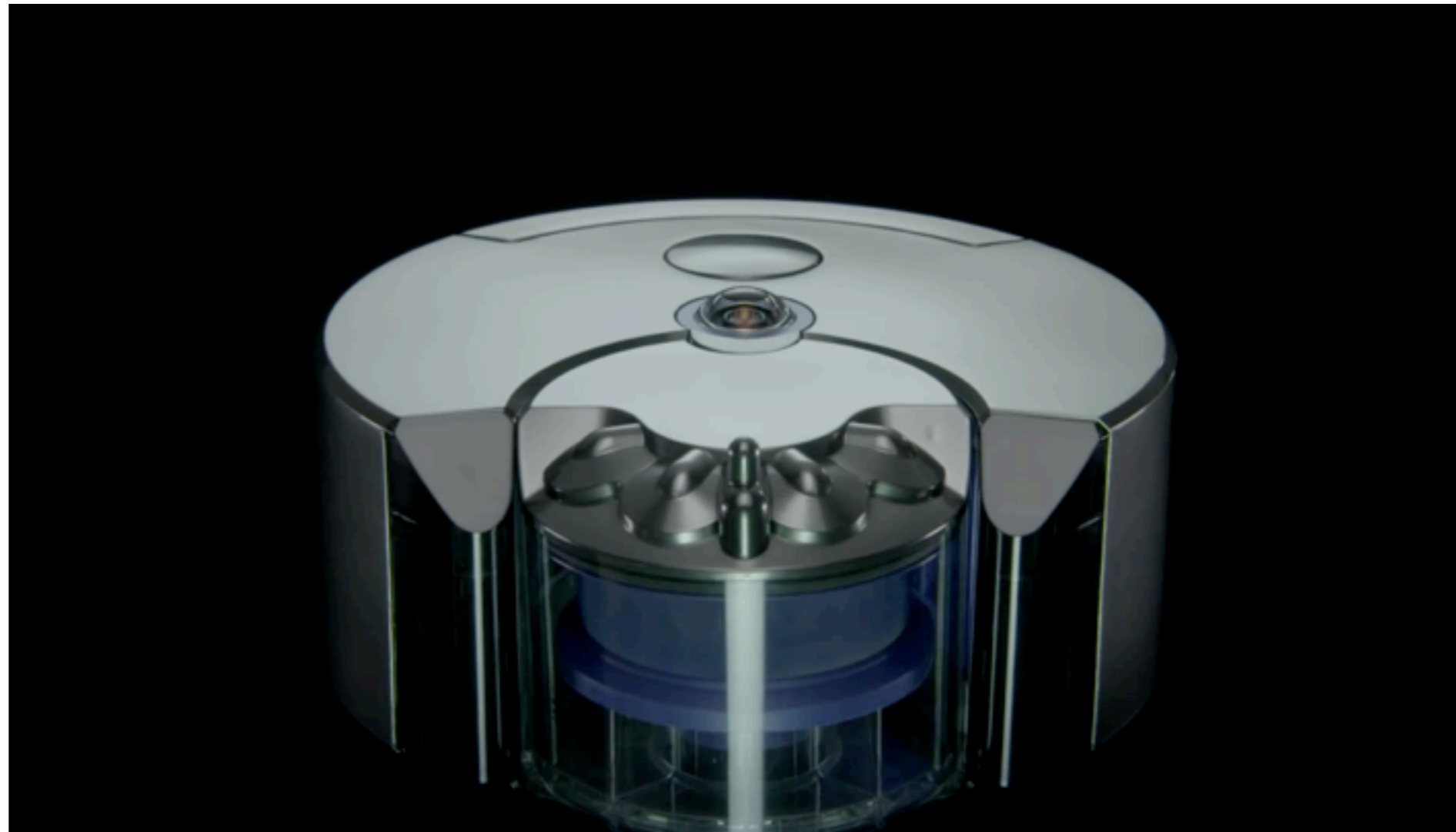
# Simultaneous localisation and mapping (SLAM)

Build a coherent world representation and localise the camera in real-time

## Sparse SLAM



Video:  
[Dyson 360 Eye](#)



SIGGRAPH Talks 2011

# KinectFusion:

Real-Time Dynamic 3D Surface  
Reconstruction and Interaction

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**Dense  
SLAM**



Video: [KinectFusion](#)  
[Newcombe et al. ISMAR 2011]

# Simultaneous localisation and mapping (SLAM)

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## Dense SLAM

In this talk I will focus on two dense algorithms:

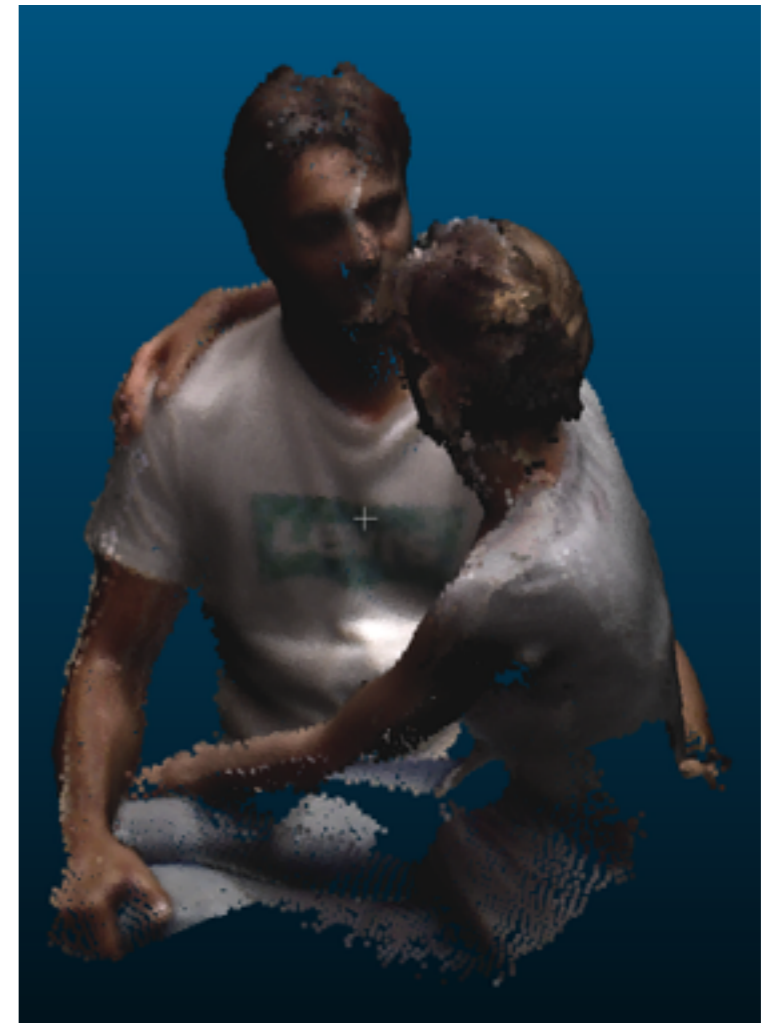
- KinectFusion [[Newcombe et al. ISMAR 2011](#)]
- ElasticFusion [[Whelan et al. RSS 2015](#)]

Applications, e.g.:

- Robotics
- Autonomous driving
- 3D printing
- Augmented reality
- Telepresence



**Jesse Clayton (NVIDIA)  
3D reconstruction**



**Daniele and Daniela  
3D reconstruction**

# What CV researchers say about KinectFusion and ElasticFusion performance

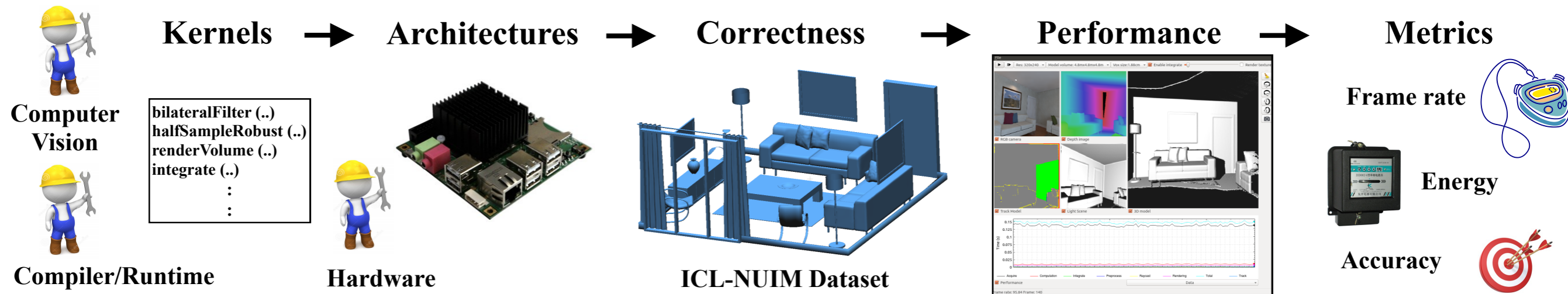
*"Cannot run in real-time on mobile"*

*"You need a fat GPU to run it"*



# Holistic approach to SLAM performance:

## SLAMBench



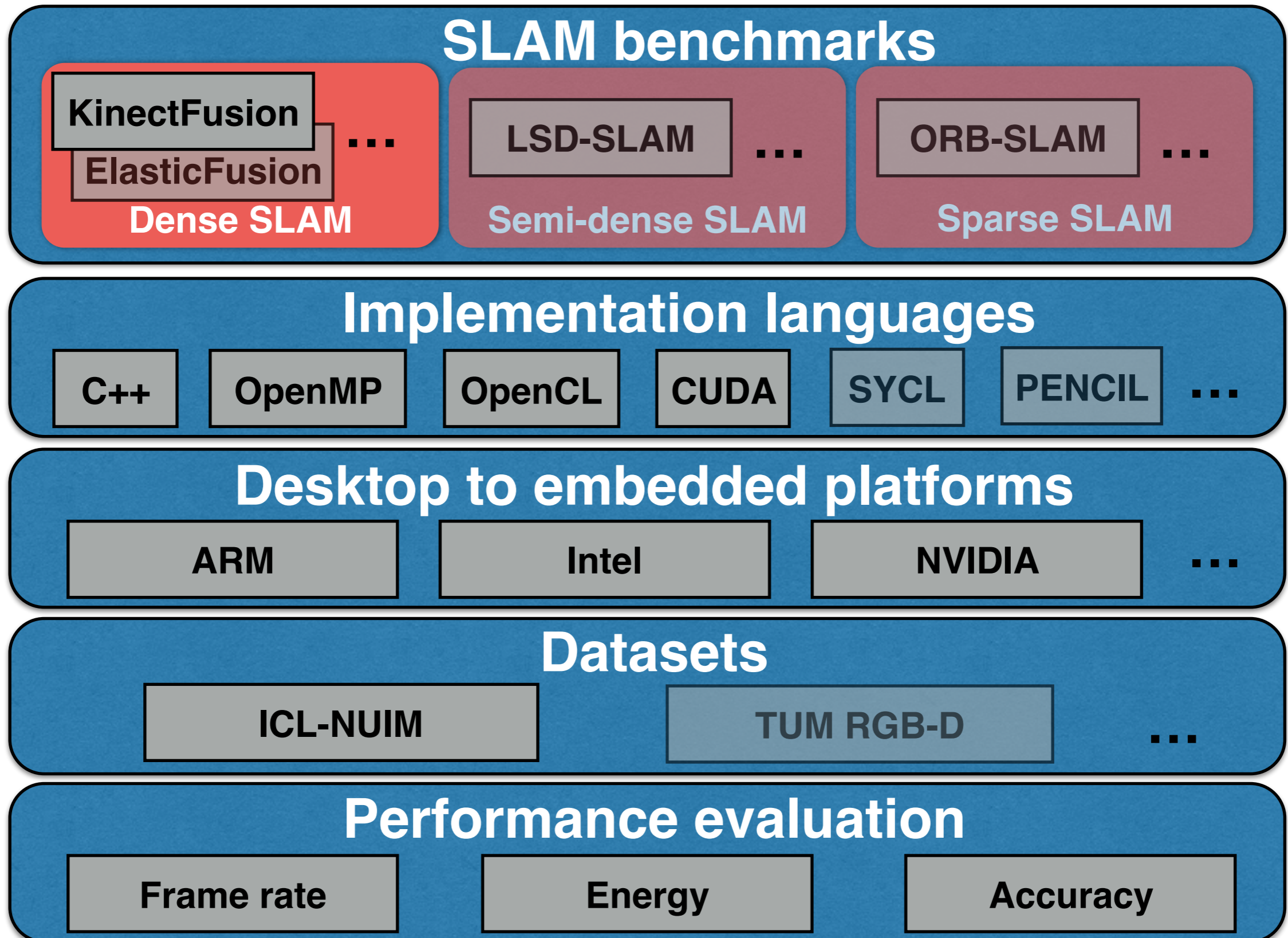
A publicly-available benchmarking framework for quantitative, comparable and validatable experimental research to investigate trade-offs in performance, accuracy and energy consumption of a SLAM system

**Error metric: absolute trajectory error (ATE) based on dataset ground truth**

***Introducing SLAMBench, a performance and accuracy benchmarking methodology for SLAM (ICRA 2015)***

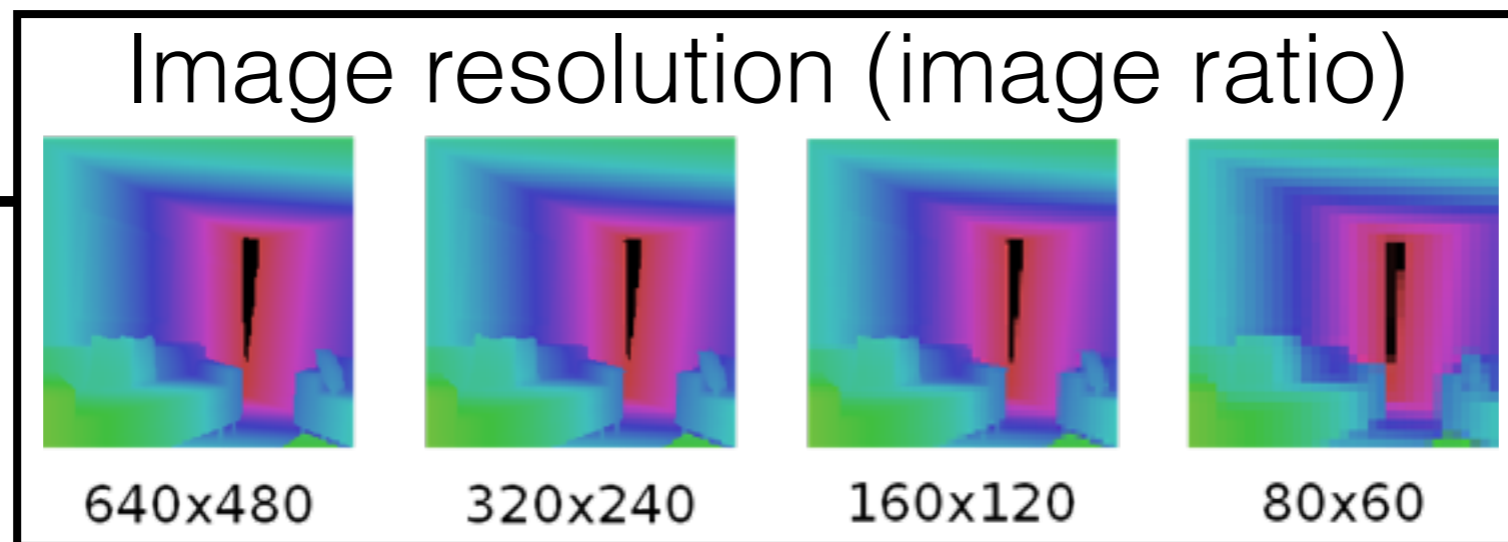
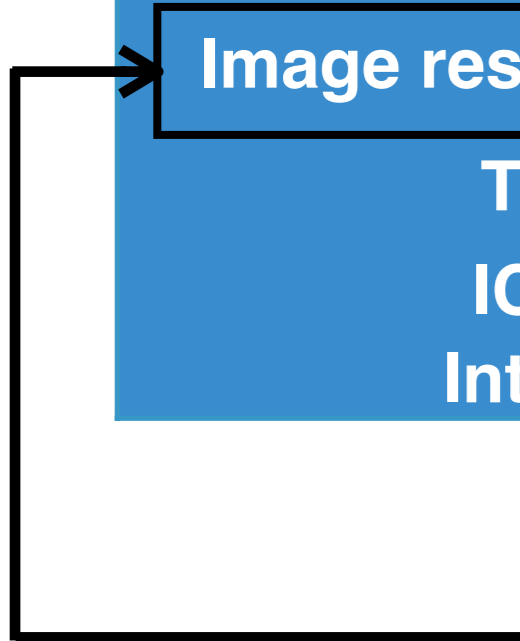


# SLAMBench framework



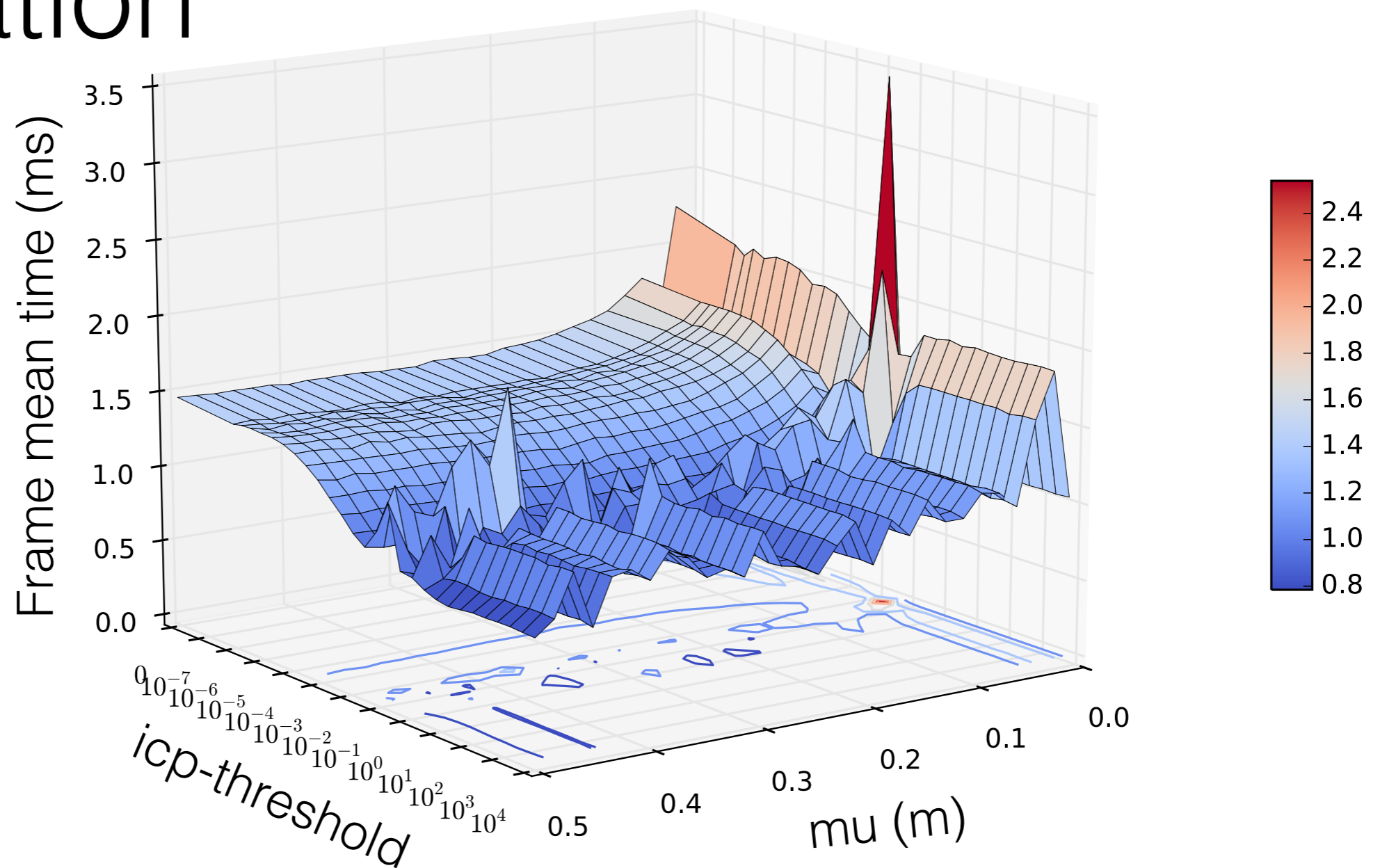
# KinectFusion algorithmic features

Features	Ranges
Volume resolution	64x64x64, 128x128x128, 256x256x256, 512x512x512
$\mu$ distance	0 .. 0.5
Pyramid level iterations (3 levels)	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Image resolution (image ratio)	1, 2, 4, 8
Tracking rate	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
ICP threshold	$10^{-6}$ .. $10^2$
Integration rate	1 .. 30



Different algorithmic features for ElasticFusion

# Motivation

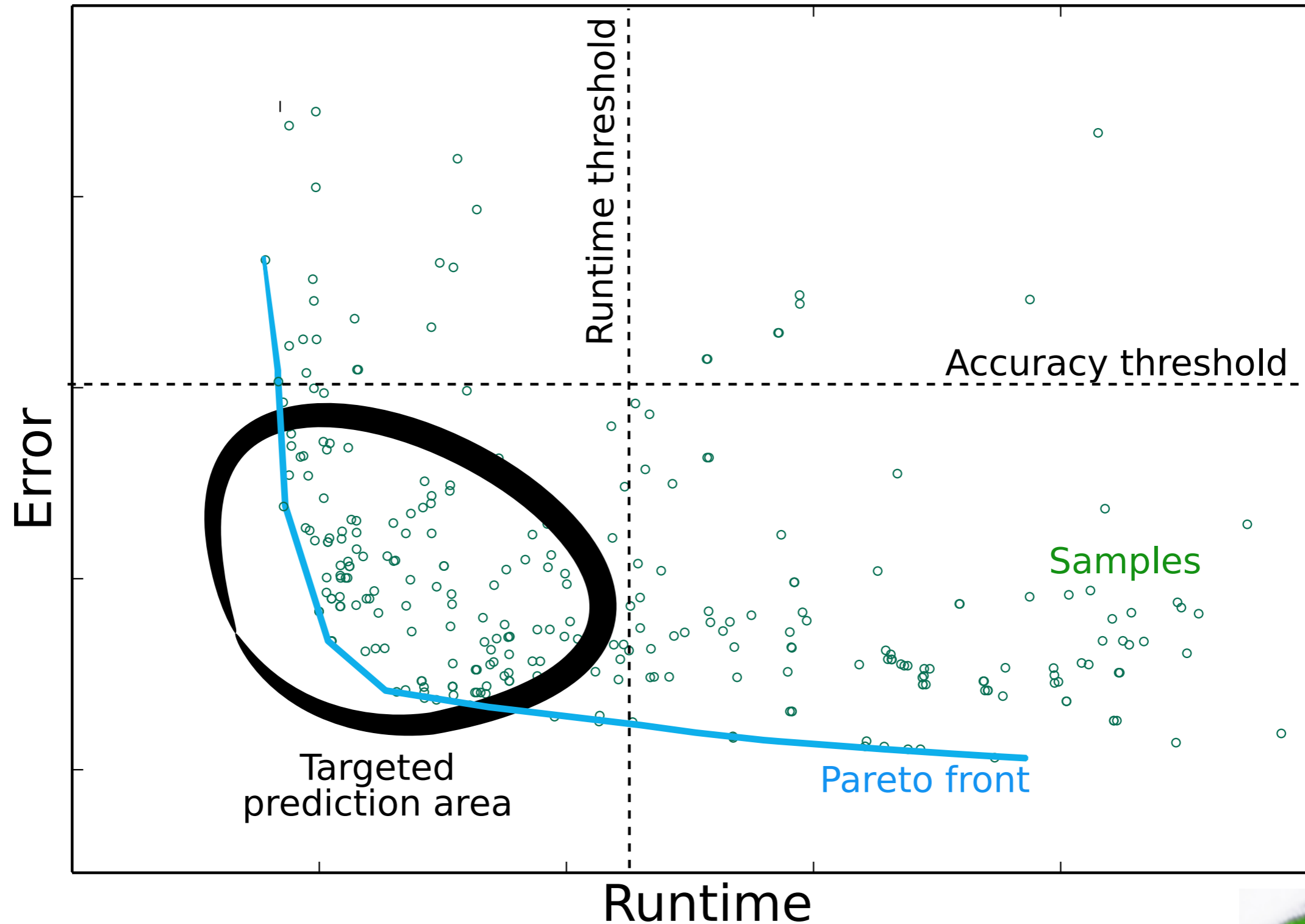


- KinectFusion runtime response surface: non-linear, multi-modal and non-smooth
- Optimal **algorithm configurability** enables better performance and better accuracy of the computation

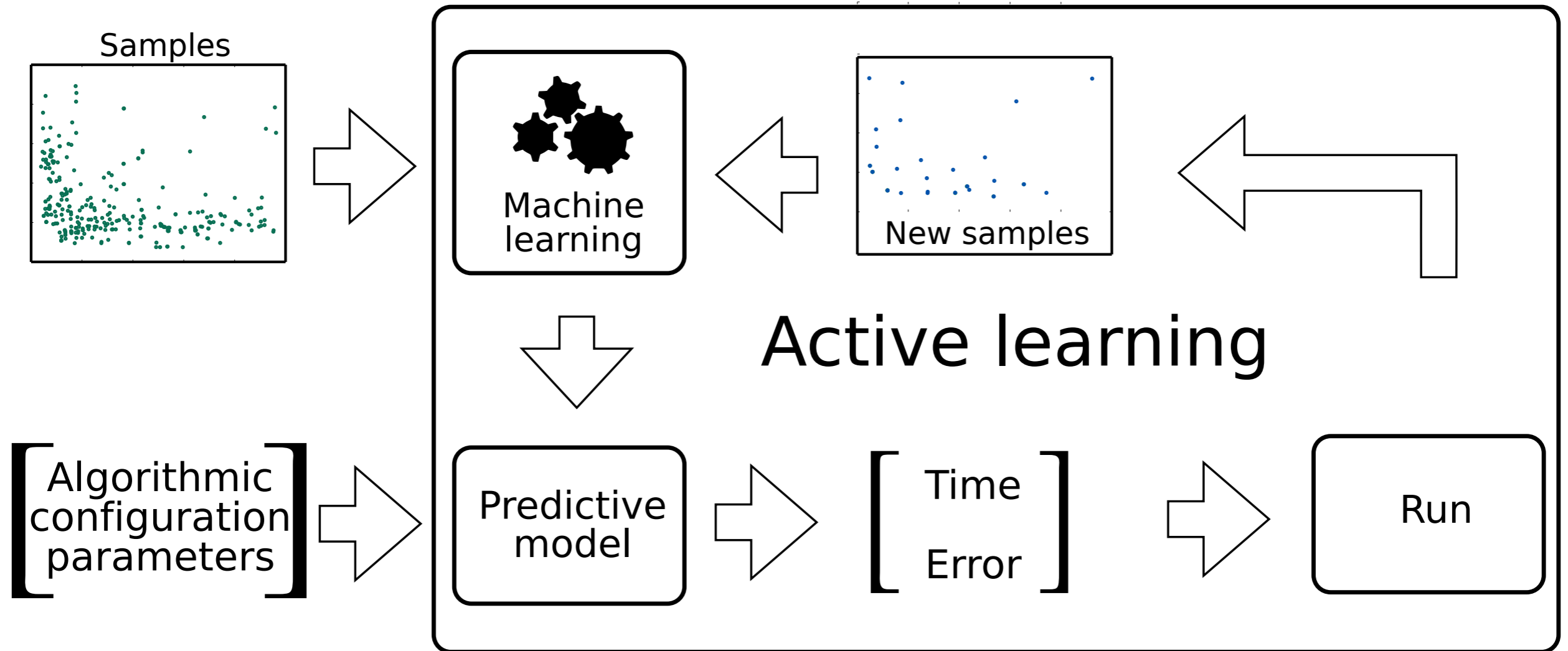
***Integrating Algorithmic Parameters into Benchmarking and Design Space Exploration in 3D Scene Understanding (PACT 2016)***



# Exploration goal illustration

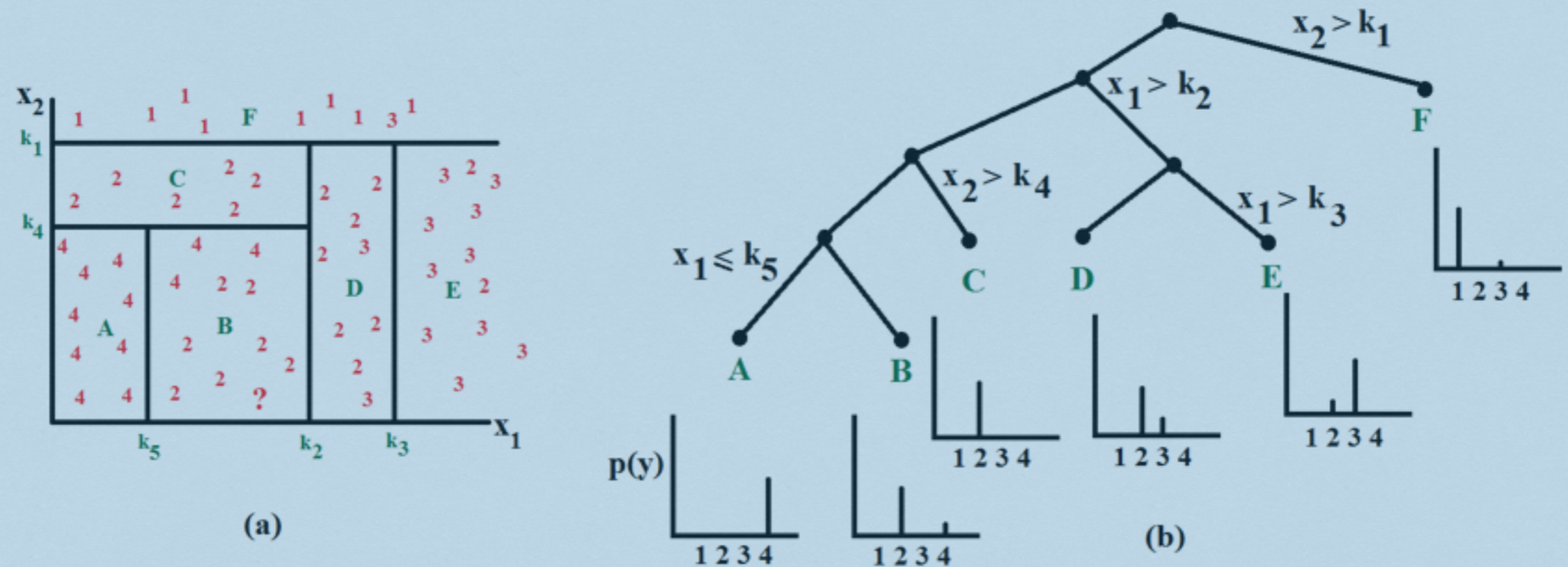


# Algo Design-Space Exploration (DSE): Active Learning Methodology

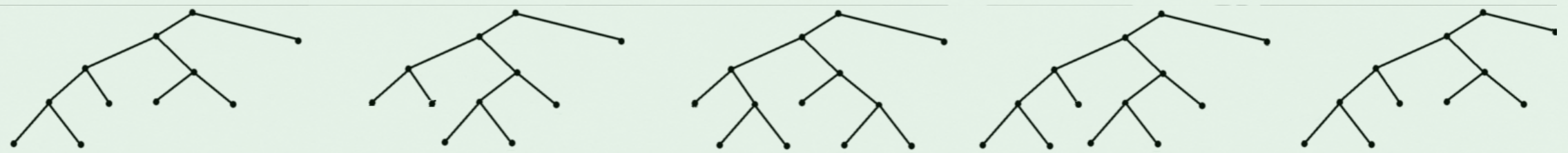


# Machine learning methods used

## Decision Tree

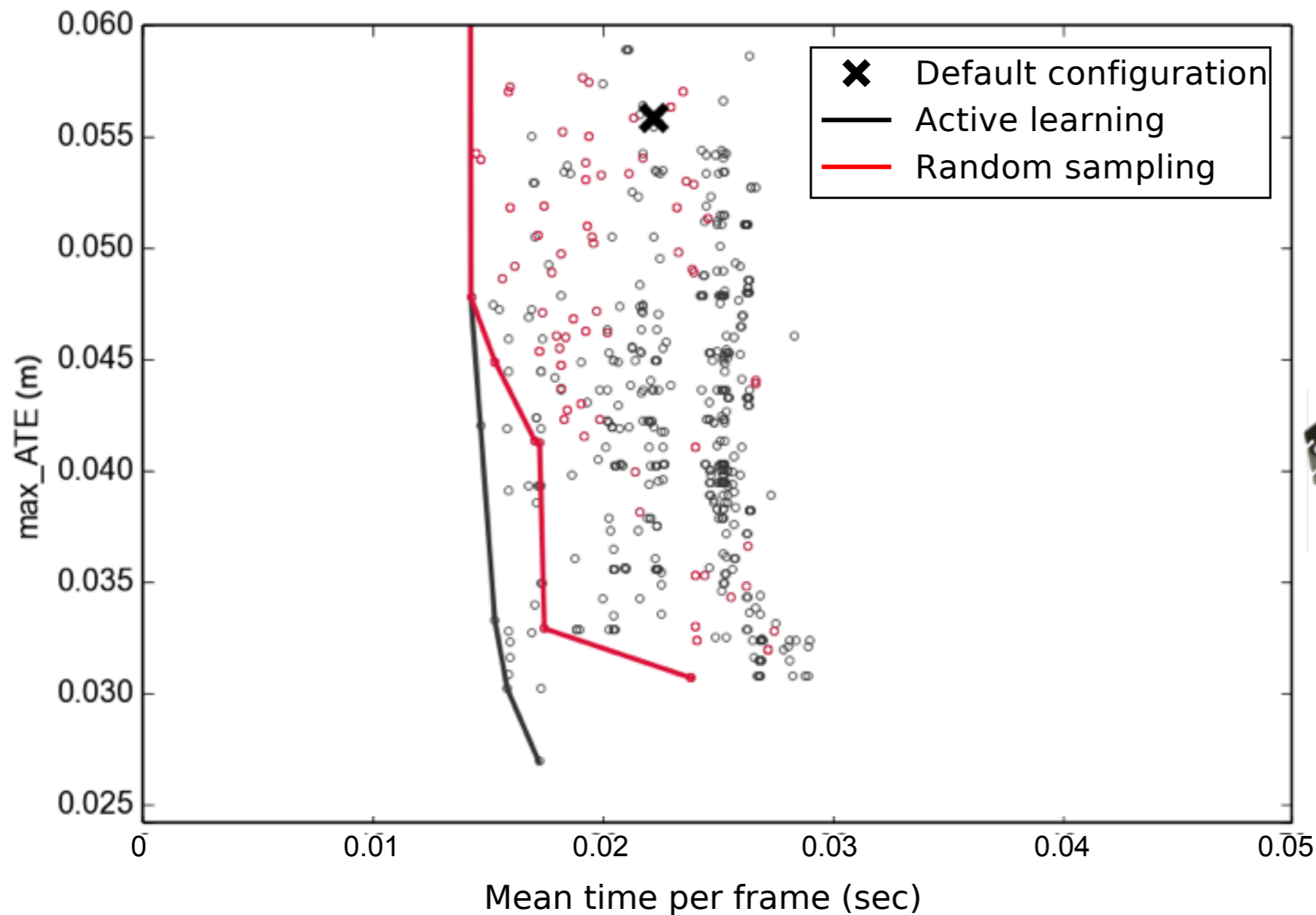


## Random Forest



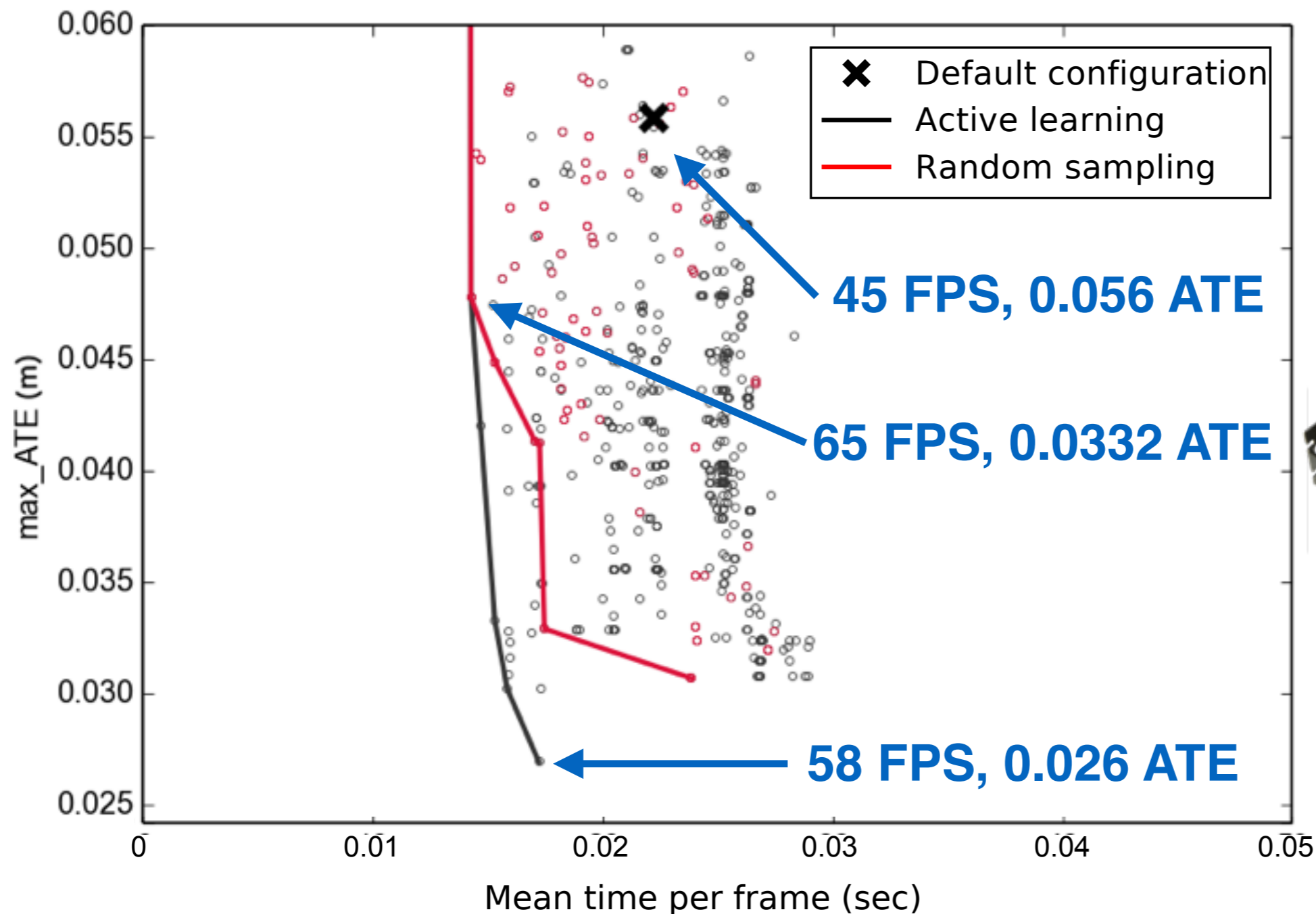
Results **ElasticFusion** DSE error/runtime III

Machine	Type	CPU	CPU name	CPU cores	GPU	GPU name
NVIDIA/Intel	Desktop	Intel Ivy Bridge	E5-1620	8	NVIDIA	GTX 780 Ti



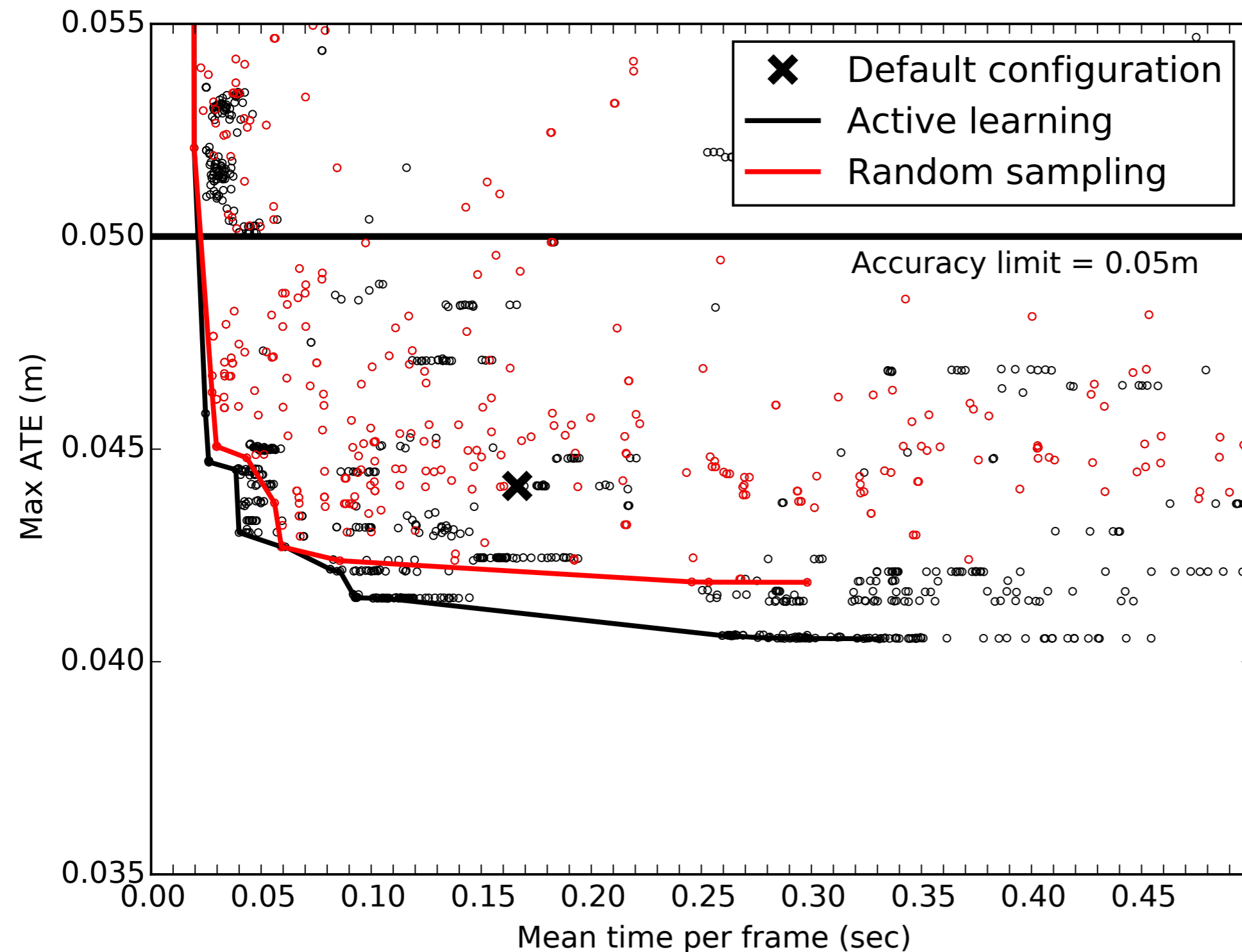
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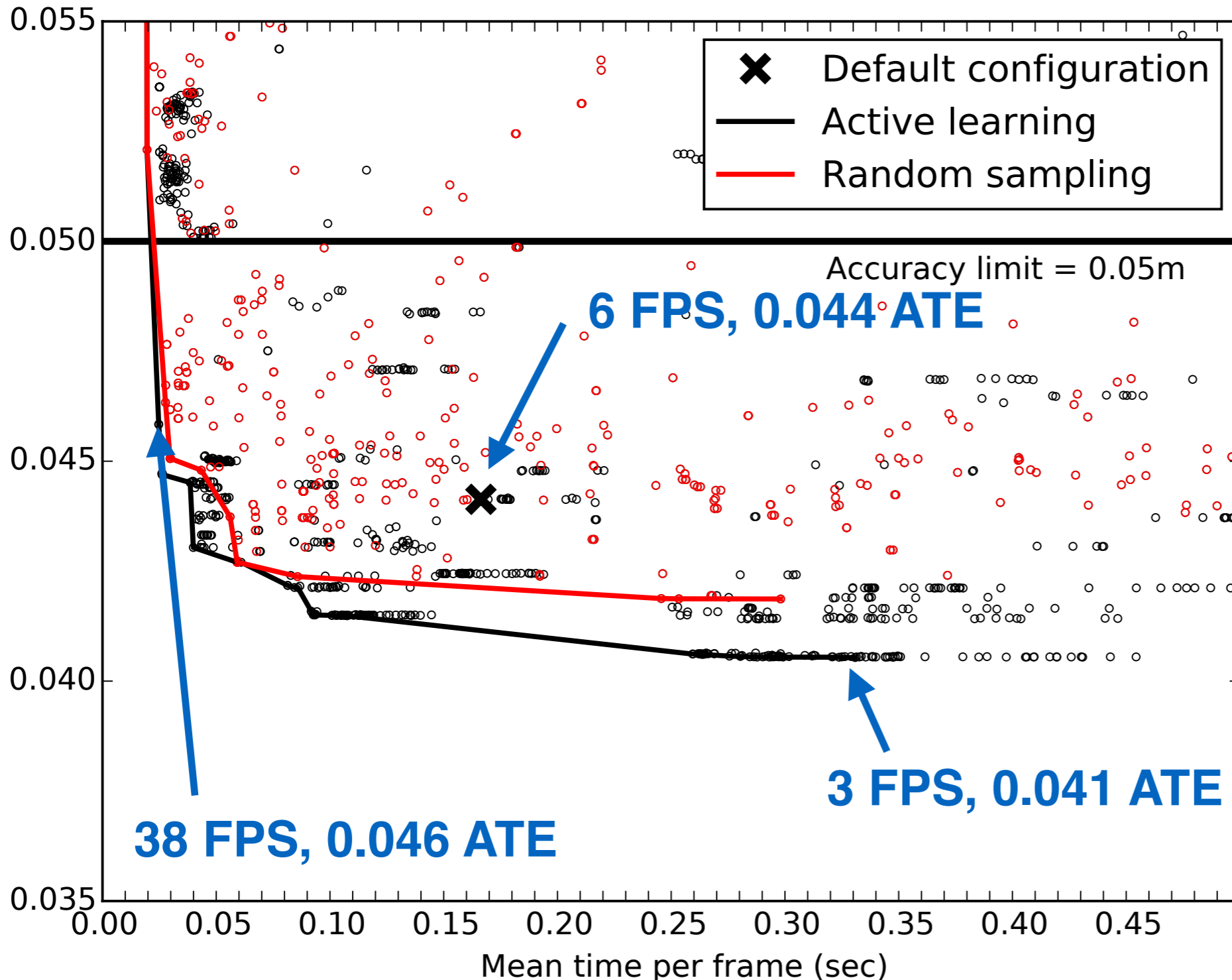
# Results KinectFusion DSE error/runtime I

Machine	Type	CPU	CPU name	CPU cores	GPU	GPU name
<b>Hardkernel ODROID-XU3</b>	Embedded	ARM A15 + A7	Exynos 5422	4 + 4	ARM	Mali-T628



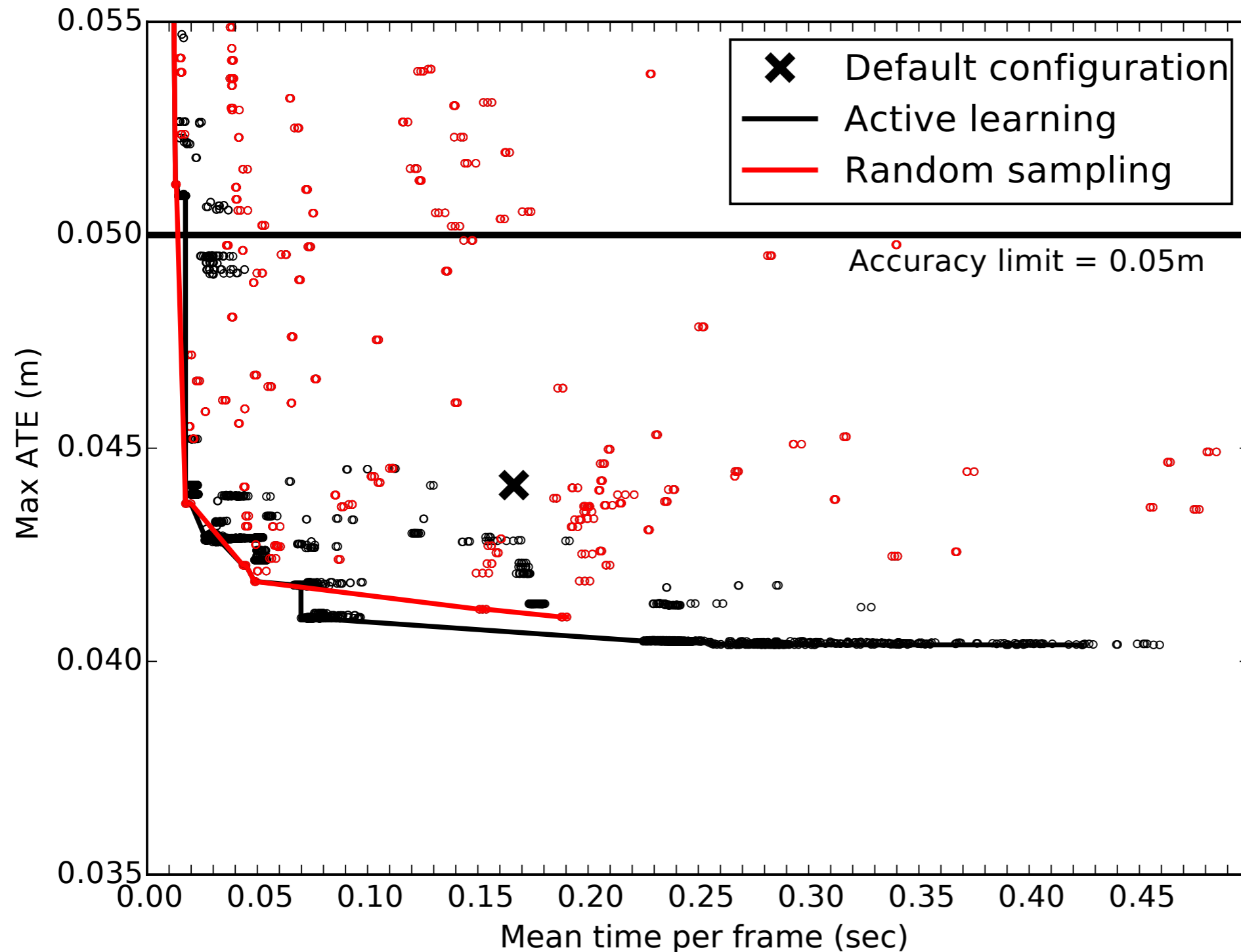
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# Results KinectFusion DSE error/runtime II

Machine	Type	CPU	CPU name	CPU cores	GPU	GPU name
<b>ASUS T200TA</b>	Detachable laptop	Intel Silvermont	Atom Z3795	4	Intel	HD Graphics



# Conclusion - take away messages

1. Building tools to explore the performance landscape for SLAM solutions
2. Pareto maps how configurations should be adapted when objectives change - static and dynamic
3. Performance and accuracy improvement over default
4. Generalisation to other applications



# Live demos GTC-EU 2016

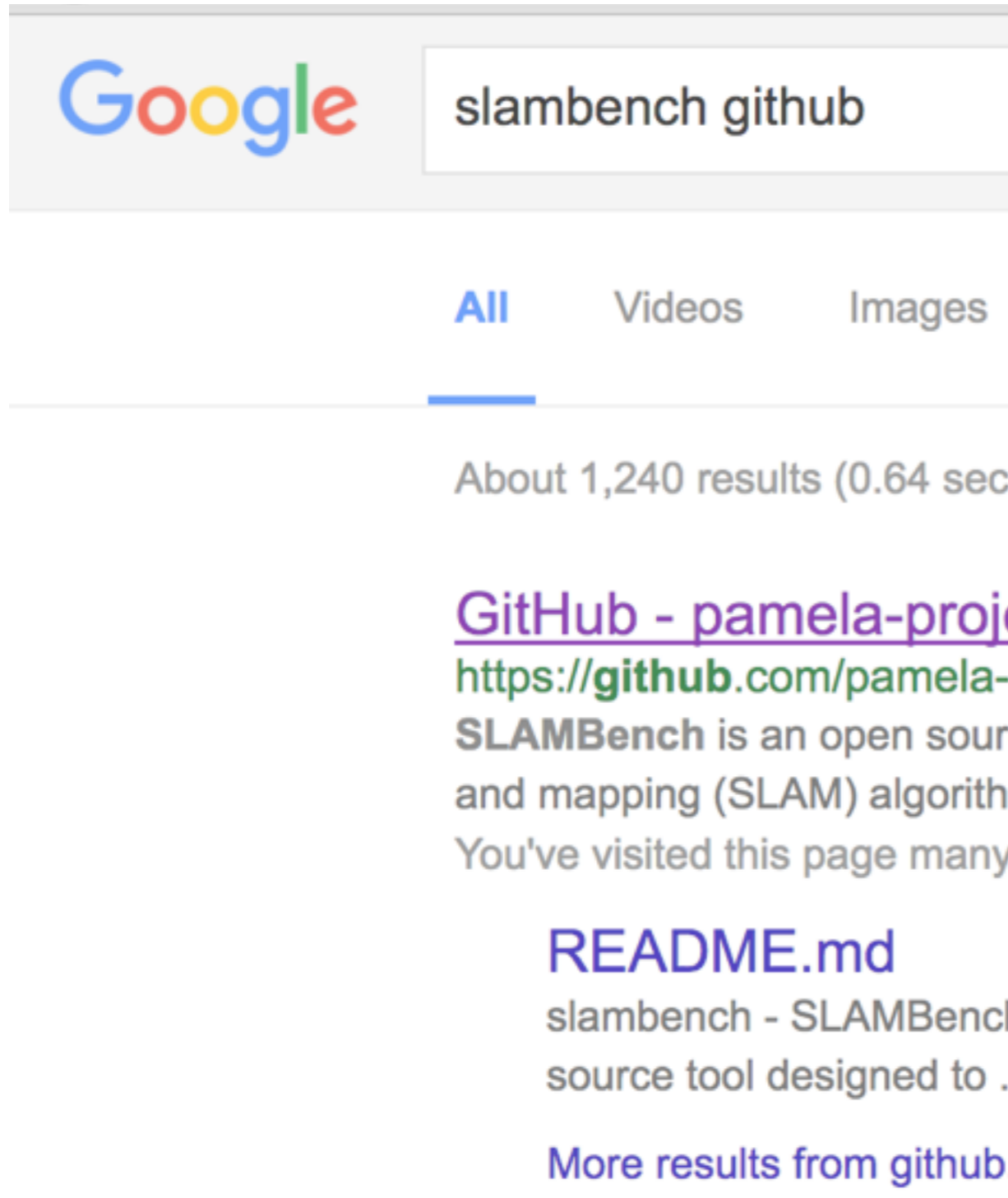
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**Booth D3**

Passenger Terminal Hall 1/Main deck

September 28th and 29th

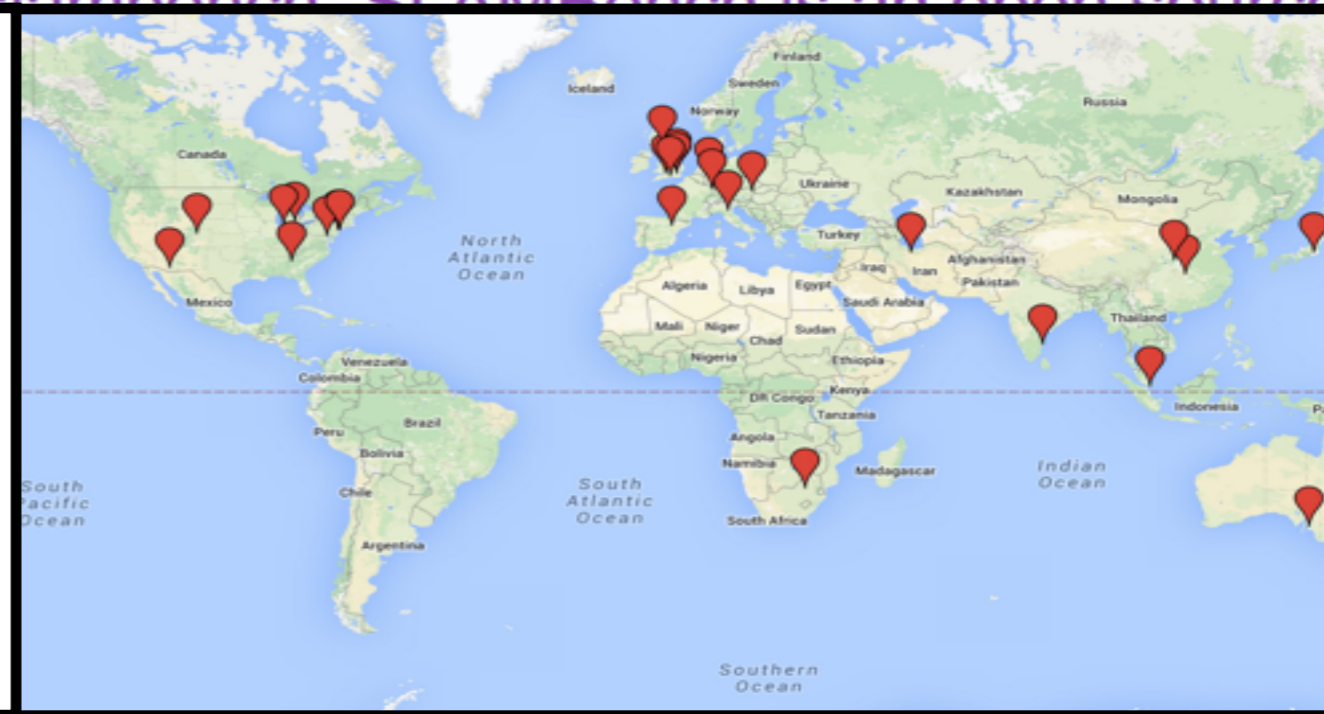




Company users



Academic users



SLAMBench install  
Booth D3 for help

Publicly released 13/11/2014  
 (1400+ downloads)

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