

FROM MOTORCYCLE TO CHEVY BOLT: A JOURNEY WITH MATLAB IN AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES AND ROBOTS RESEARCH



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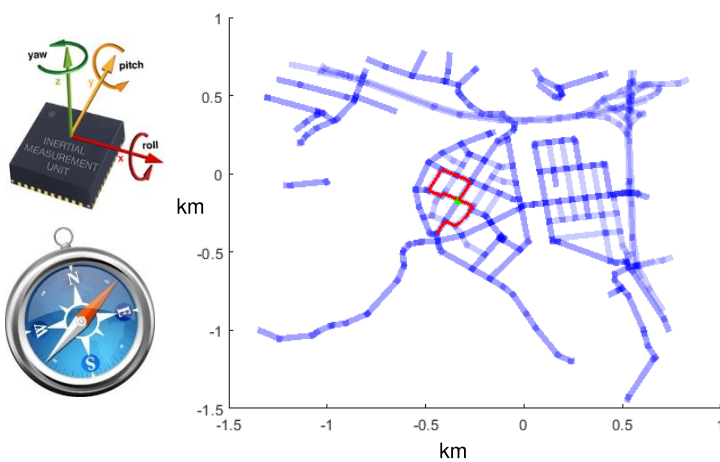
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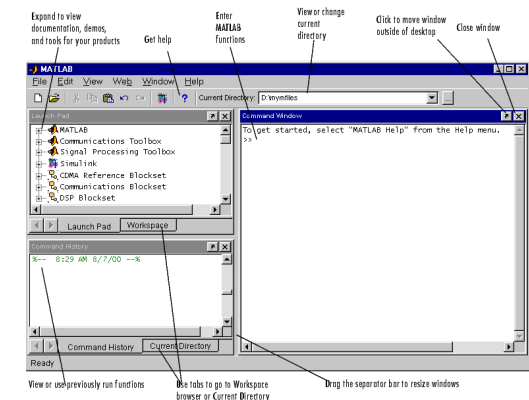
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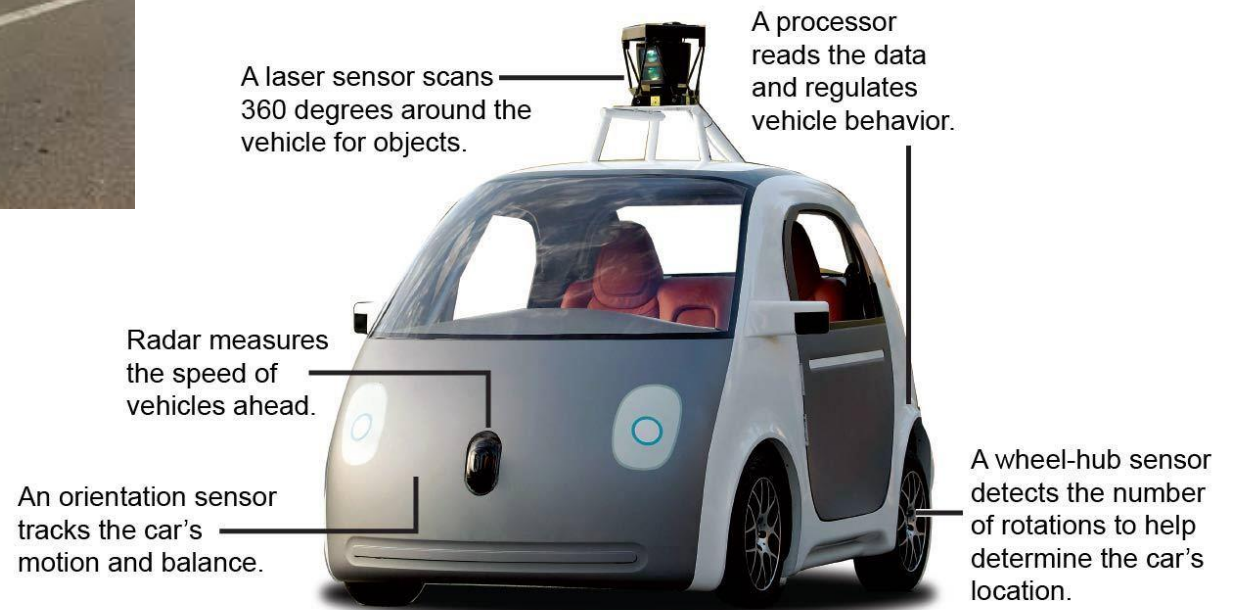


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AUTONOMOUS MOTORCYCLE & MATLAB VERSION 6.0

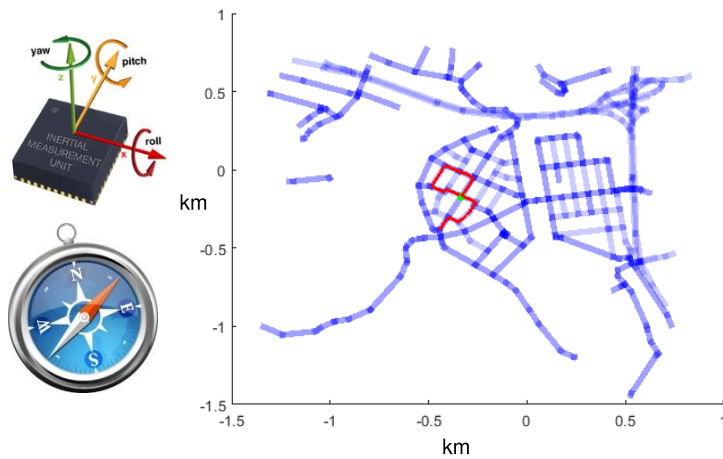
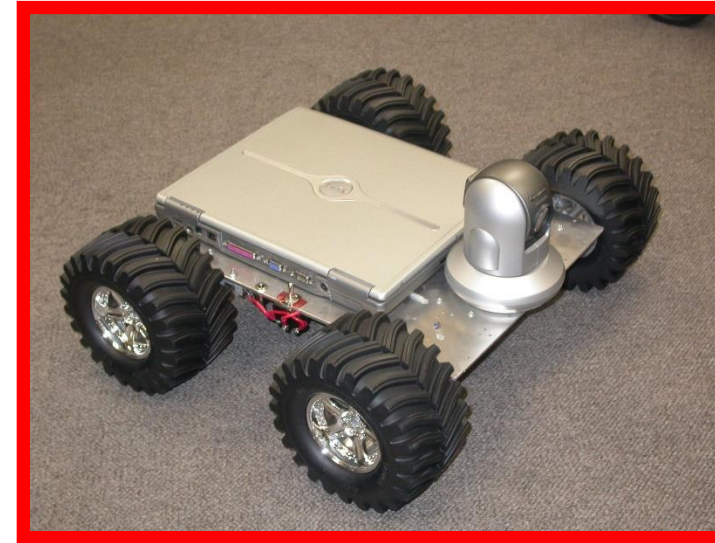




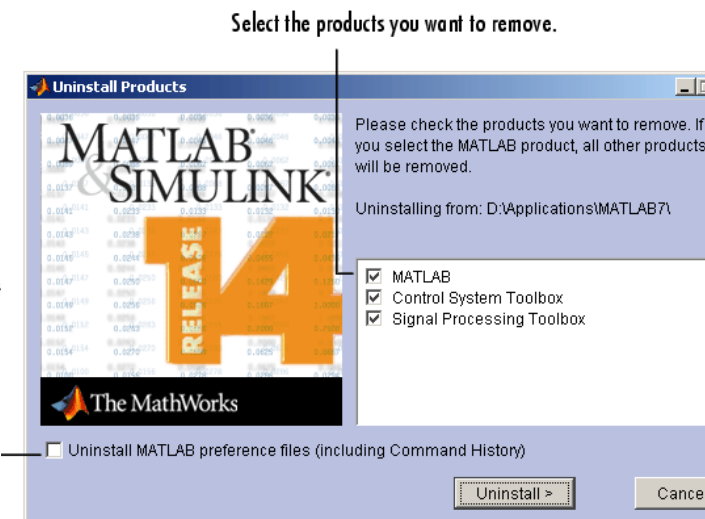
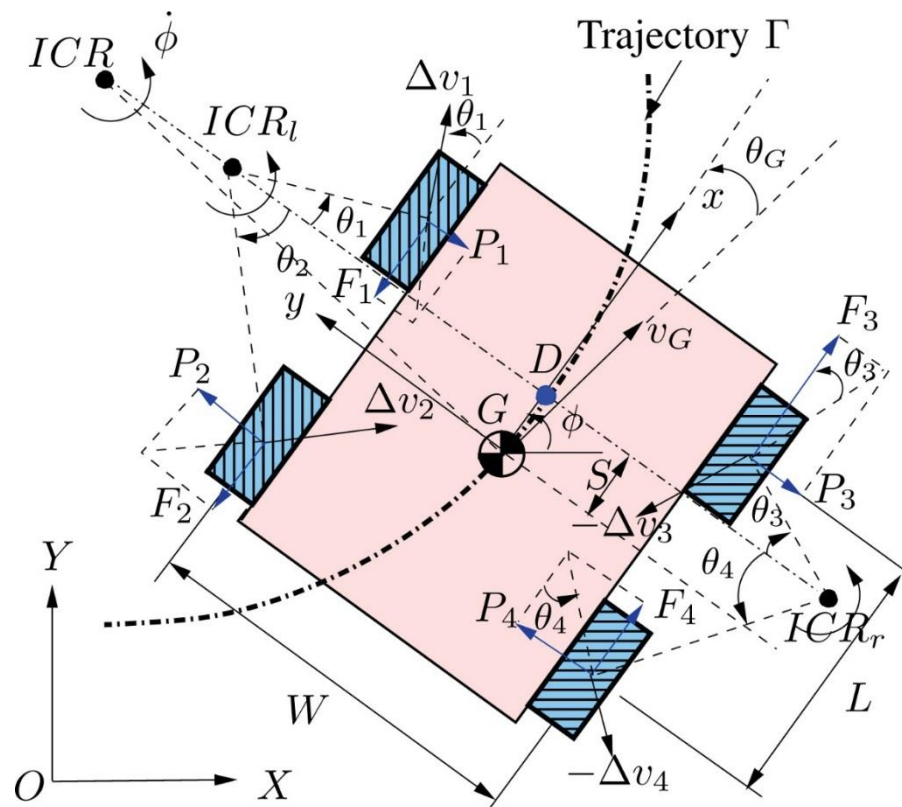
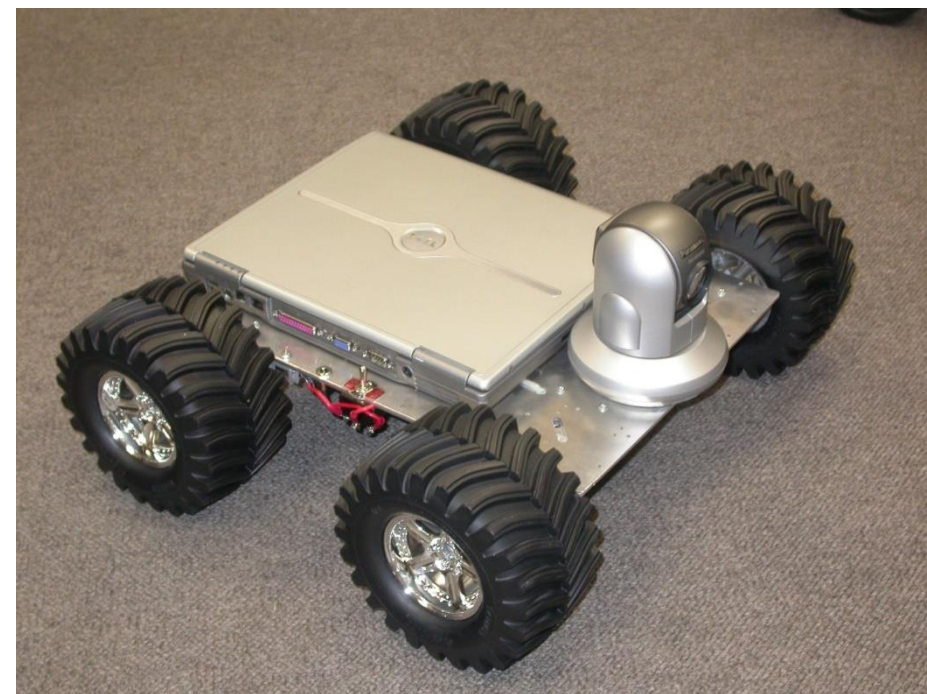
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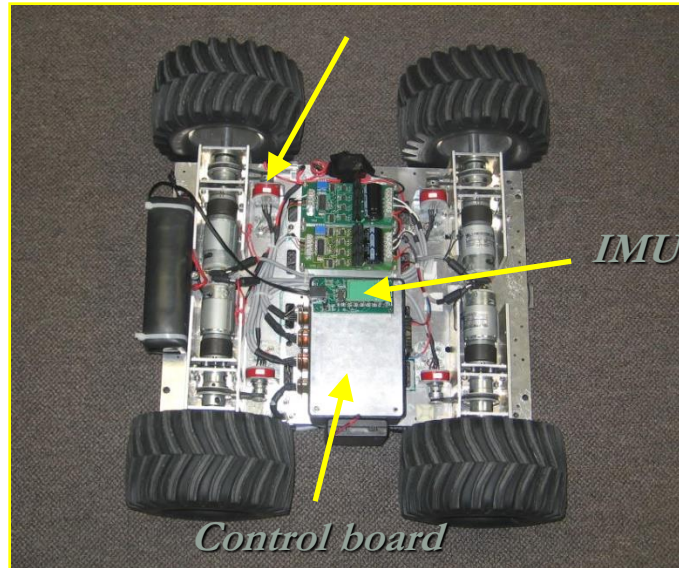
SKID-STEERED MOBILE ROBOTS



EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

- On-board control systems and a sensor suite
- Vision-based computer localization as the global location reference

Wheel encoders

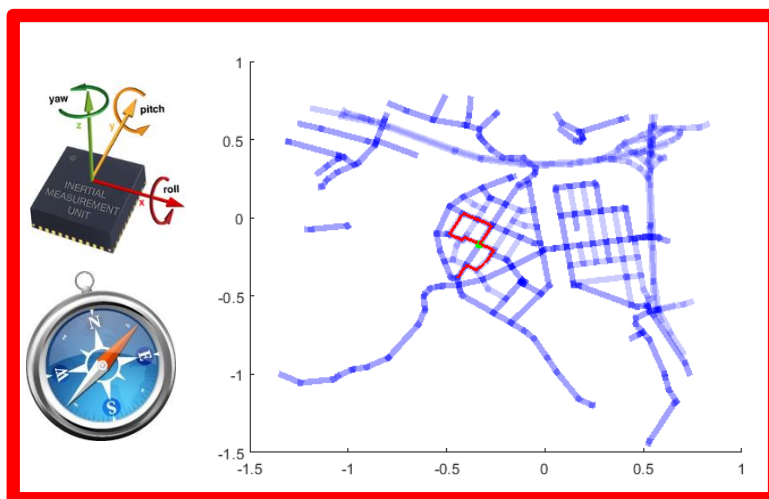
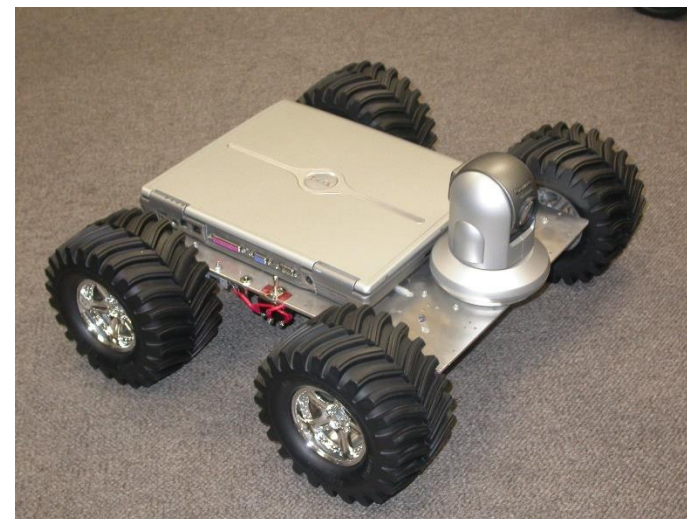


(a) The experimental robot

(b) Various ground conditions

(c) Camera positioning systems

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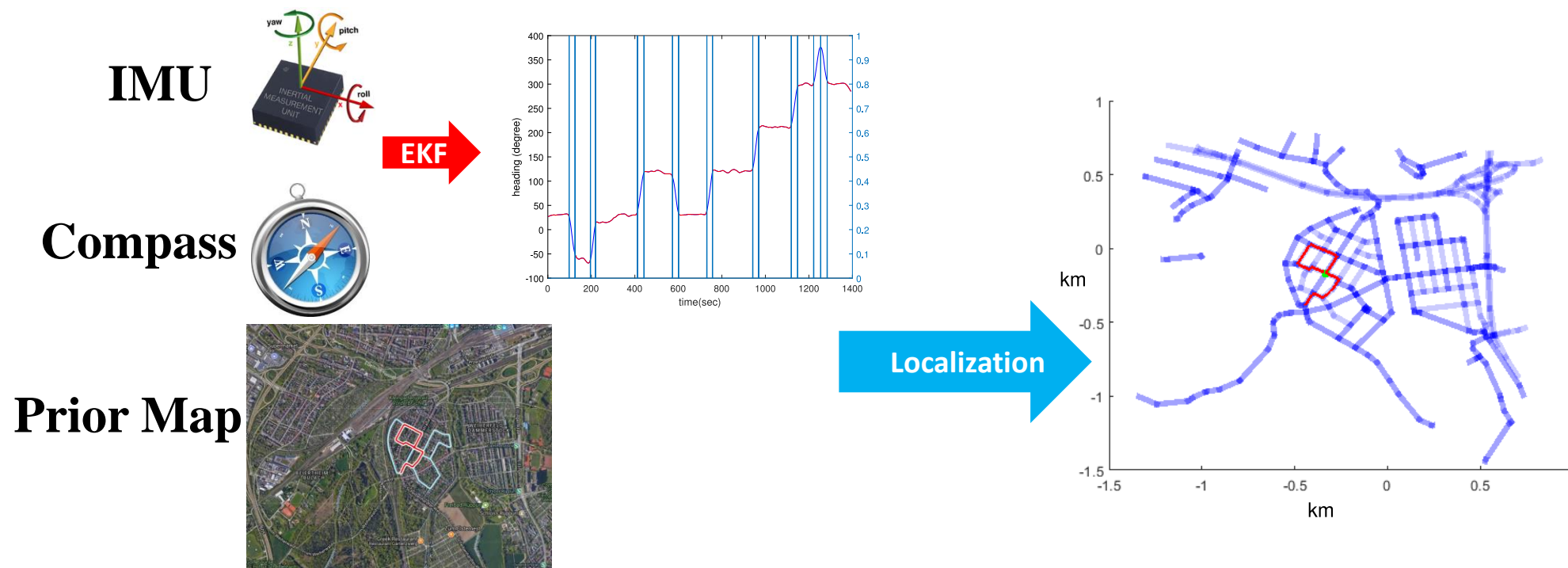
INTRODUCTION

- Localization Scenario
 - Bad weather and poor illumination conditions
 - High-rise buildings block GPS signals

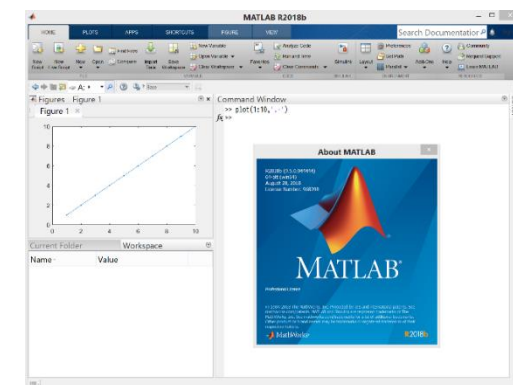
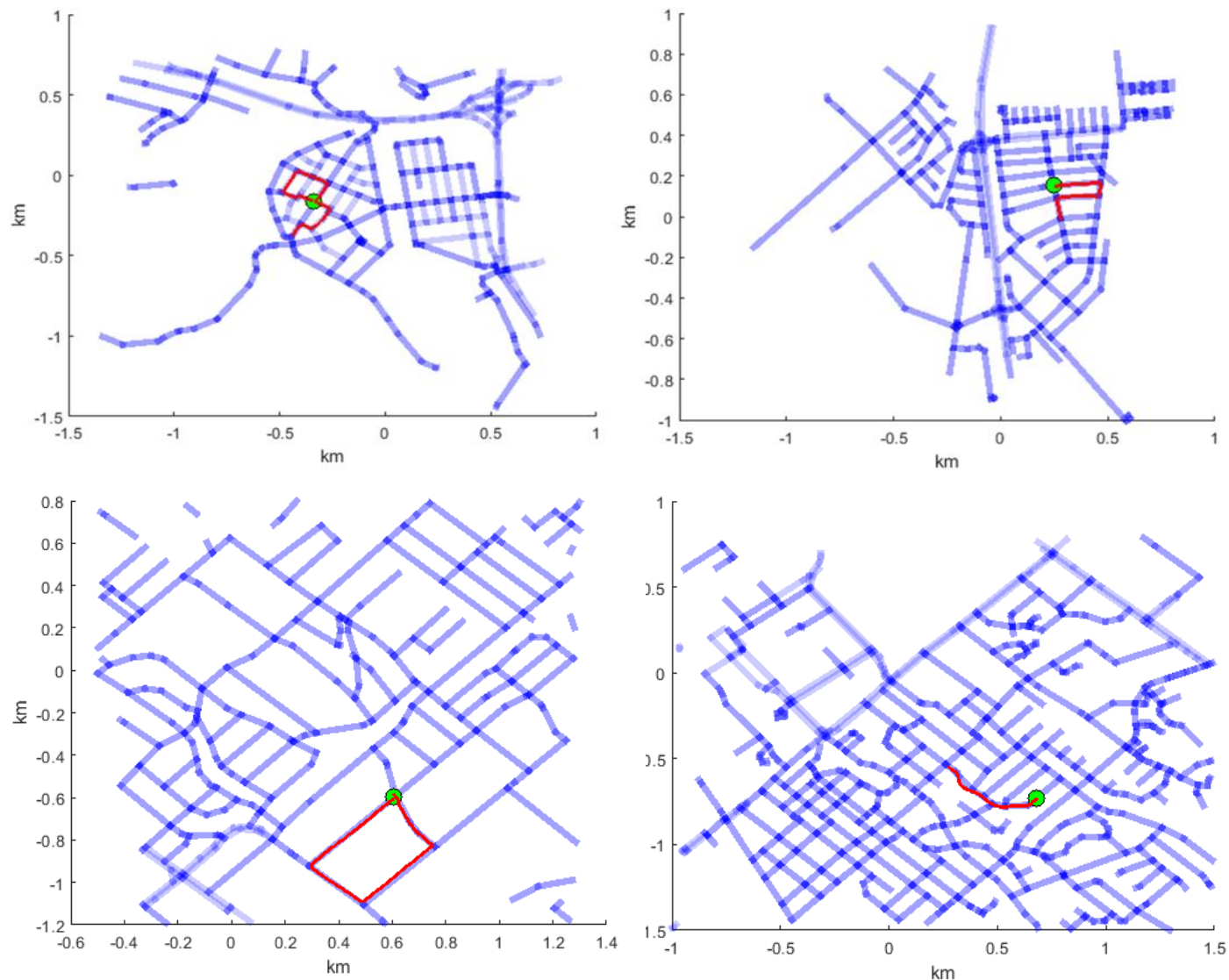


PROBLEM DEFINITION

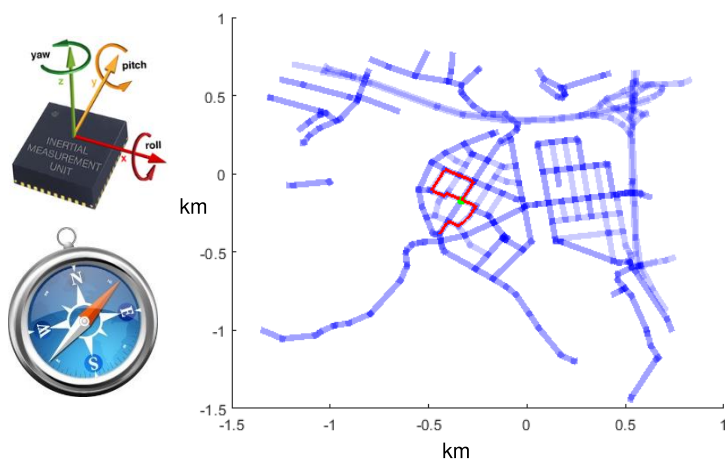
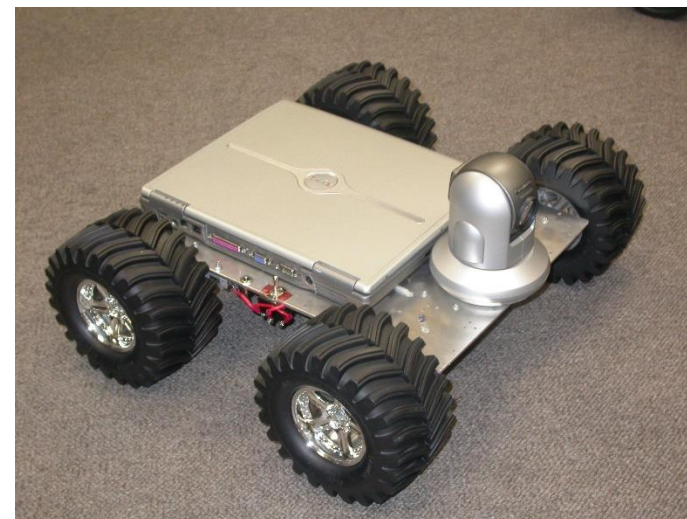
Problem 1. Given \mathcal{M}_p , \mathcal{R} , $\omega_{0:t}$ and $\phi_{0:t_\phi}$, localize the robot after its heading changes.



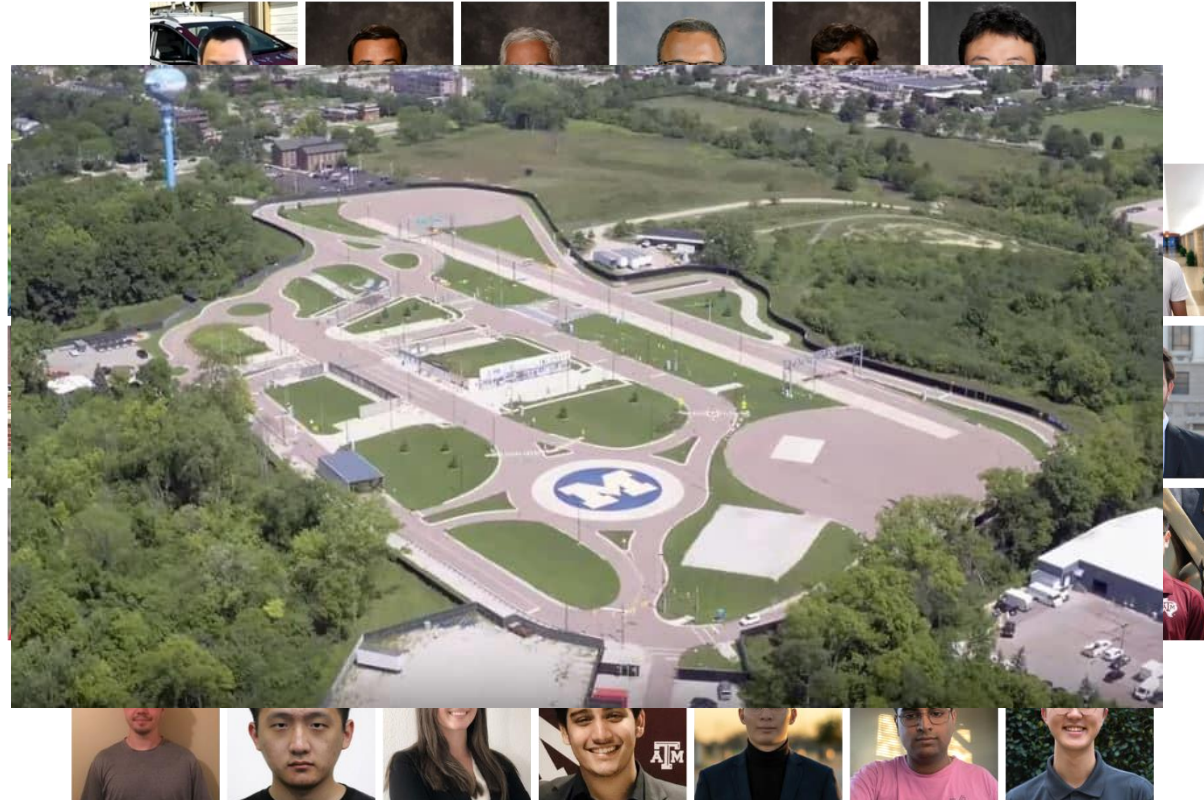
EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS: SAMPLE



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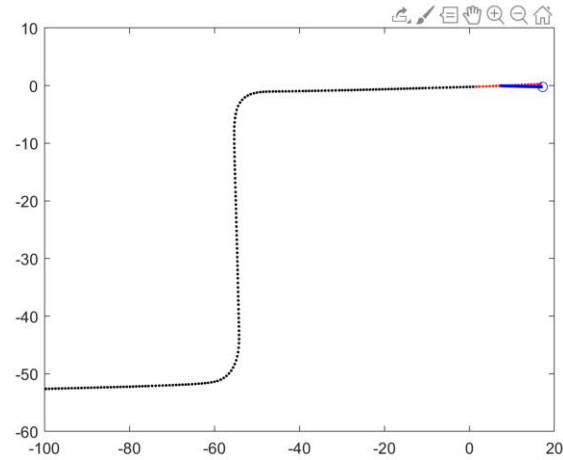
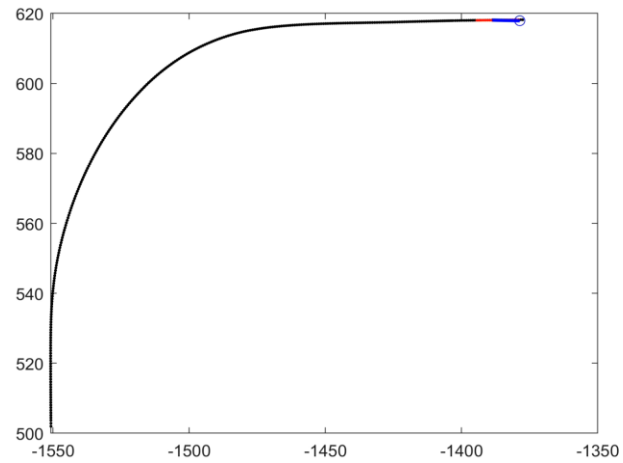
HOW MATLAB HELPED OUR TEAM



- Vehicle Control
- Sensor Calibration
- Perception Testing
- Planner Testing

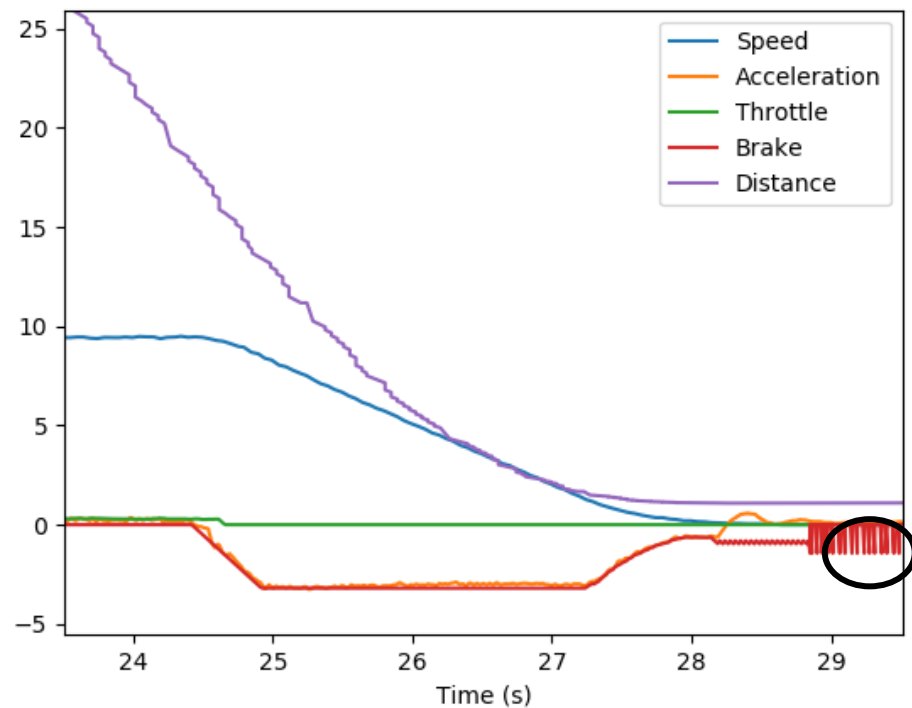
LATERAL CONTROLLER ANALYSIS

X: detected waypoints at turning : vehicle position : vehicle trajectory

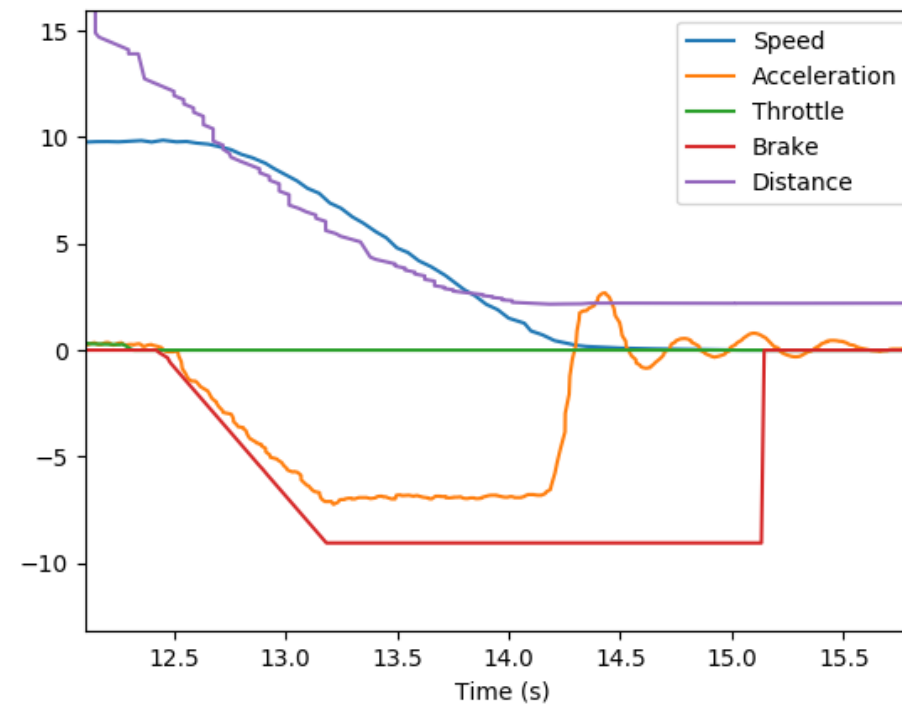


LONGITUDINAL CONTROLLER ANALYSIS

- Mimic human driving in designing controller behaviors
- Visualize the CAN bus output



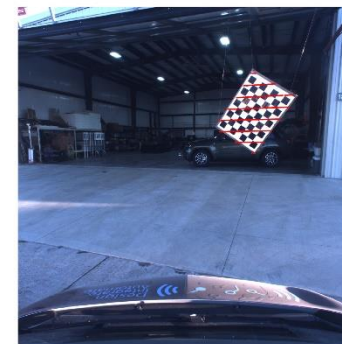
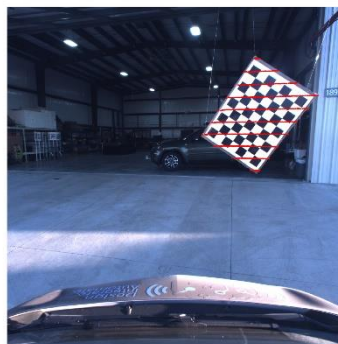
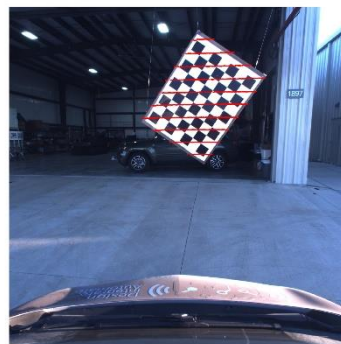
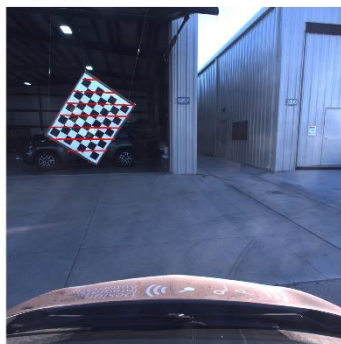
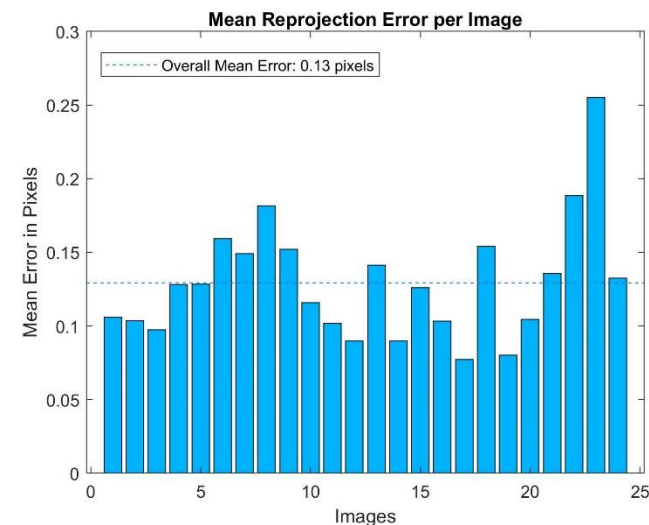
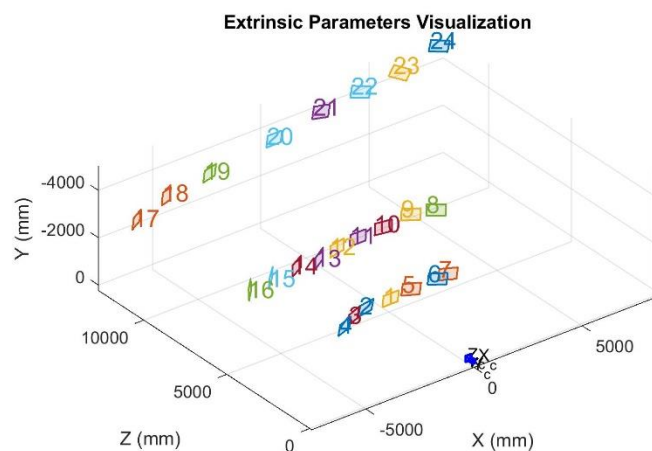
(a) Trembling brake (See black circle) happens since the numerical issues and solved after adding the filtering.



(b) Maximum deceleration analysis when emergency brake happens.

SENSOR CALIBRATION

- Computer Vision Toolbox
- Verify the calibration accuracy using visualization

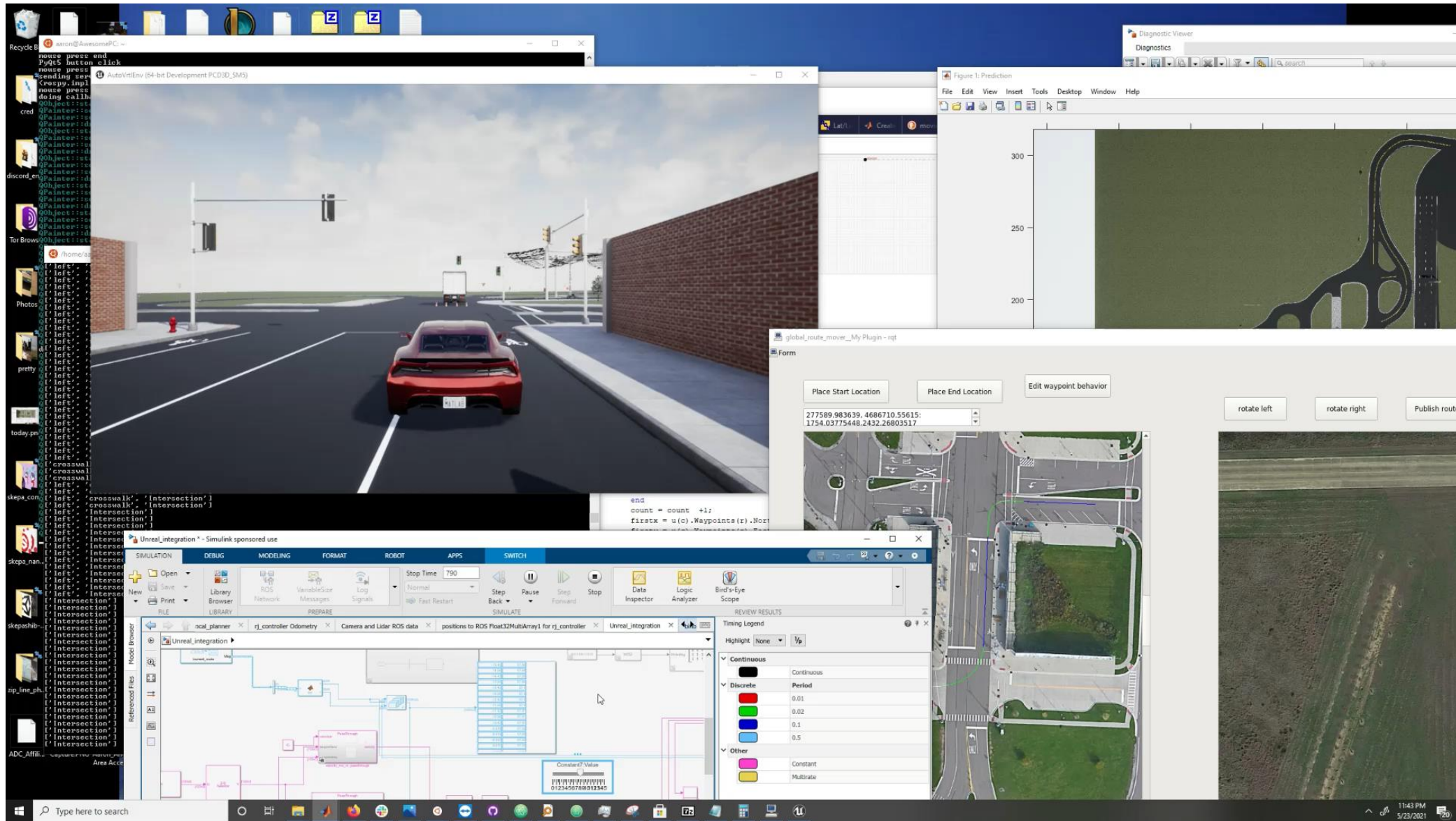


PERCEPTION TESTING – TRAFFIC LIGHT

The screenshot displays a Simulink simulation environment for a traffic light perception test. The main window shows a 3D view of a red car on a road with a traffic light. An inset window shows a zoomed-in view of the traffic light. A 'Simulation Data Inspector' window is open, displaying a graph of signal states over time for 'TrafficSigns2-1' and 'TrafficSigns1-1'. The graph shows a red line for 'TrafficSigns2-1' and a green line for 'TrafficSigns1-1'. The red line starts at 110 and drops to 0 at approximately 25 seconds. The green line starts at 105 and drops to 0 at approximately 25 seconds. The 'Simulation Data Inspector' window also shows a list of signals and their properties.

Signal Name	Line Color
TrafficSigns2-1	Red
TrafficSigns1-1	Green
heading-1	Blue
vehicle_steering-1	Orange
rawsteering-1	Yellow
angular_velocity_deg-1	Purple
distance_to_obj-1	Cyan
Constant7-Value	Magenta

PLANNER TESTING



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