

From the Pointless algorithm to IndoorGML, point clouds deliver fast methods for indoor mapping and navigation networks

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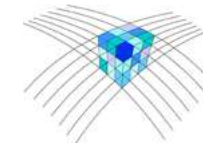
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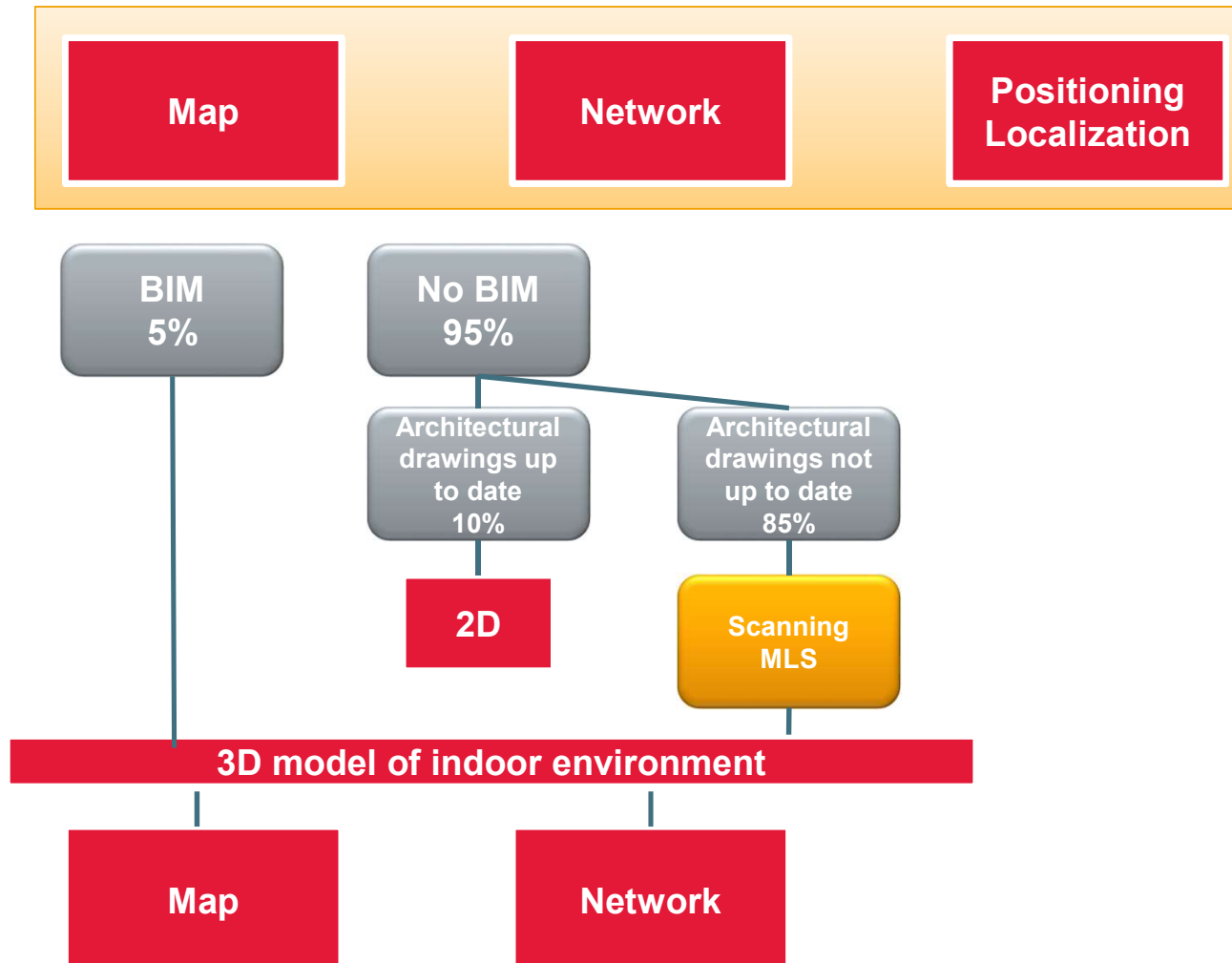
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Research done: Indoor 3D mapping, Indoor 3D localization, high precision surveying with drones

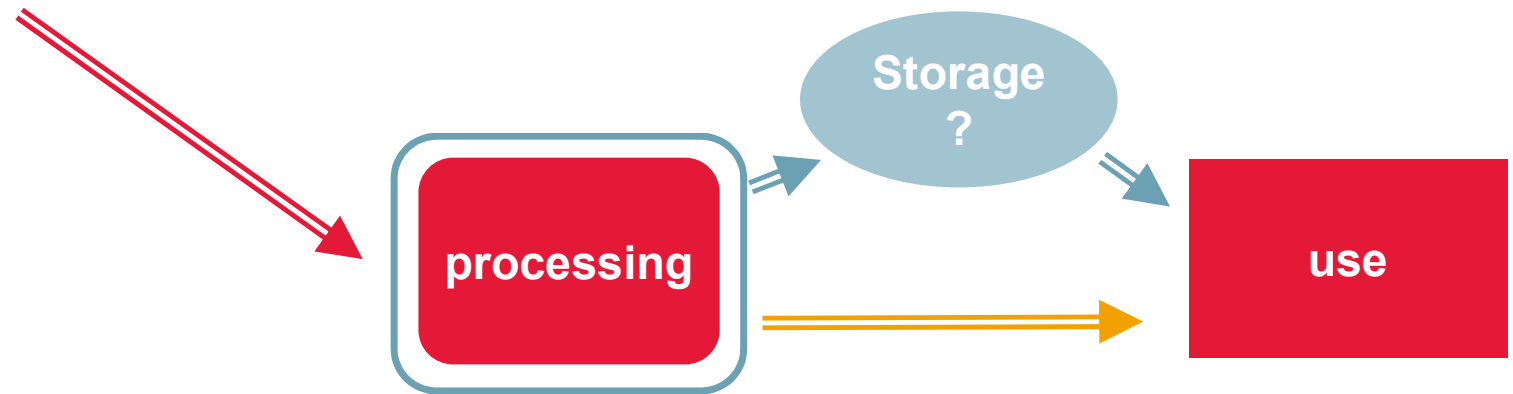
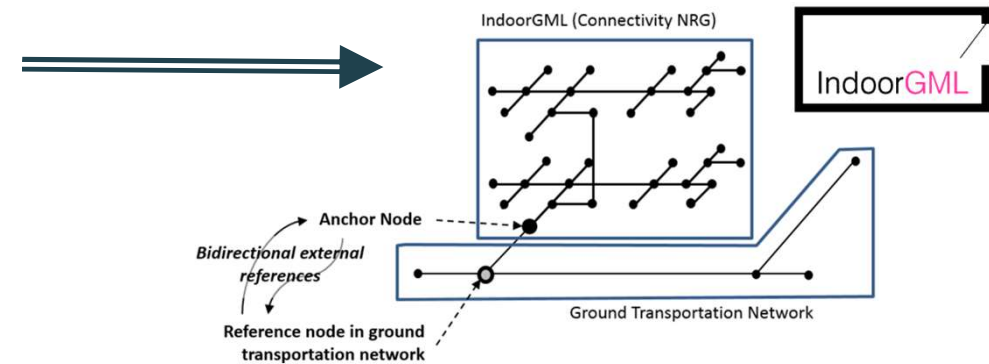
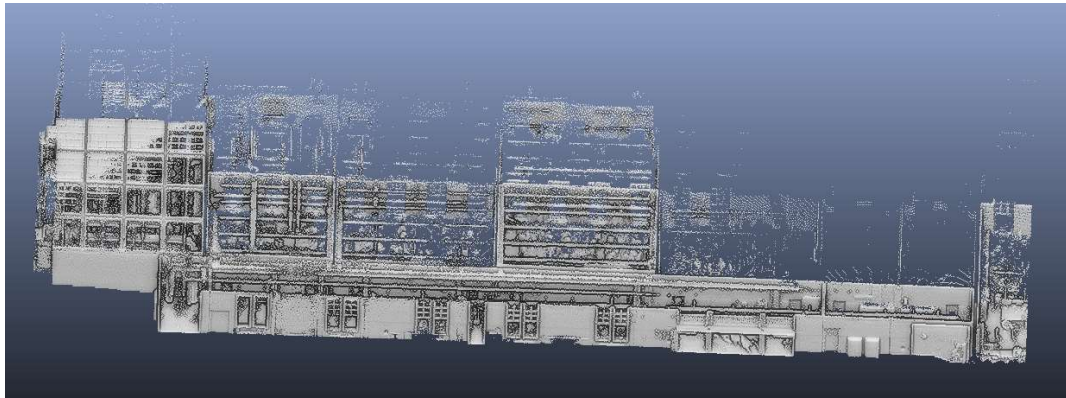
Why do we need new ways of modelling?

- Wifi
- BLE
- UWB
- LORA
- 5G
- Ultrasound
- EMF
- GNSS

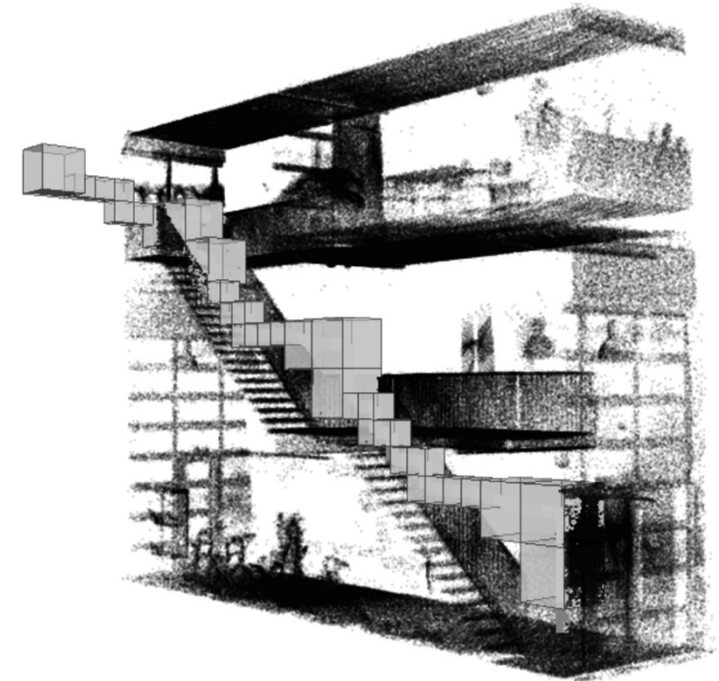
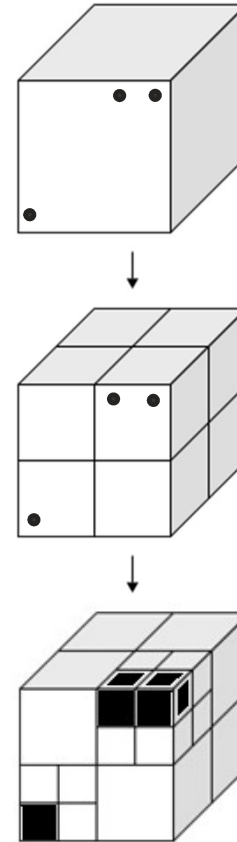
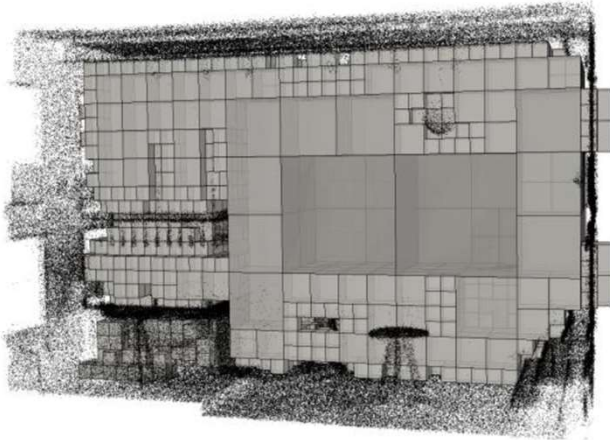


Pointclouds and speed

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“Pointless” algorithm



Using a linear octree to identify empty space in indoor point clouds for 3D pathfinding

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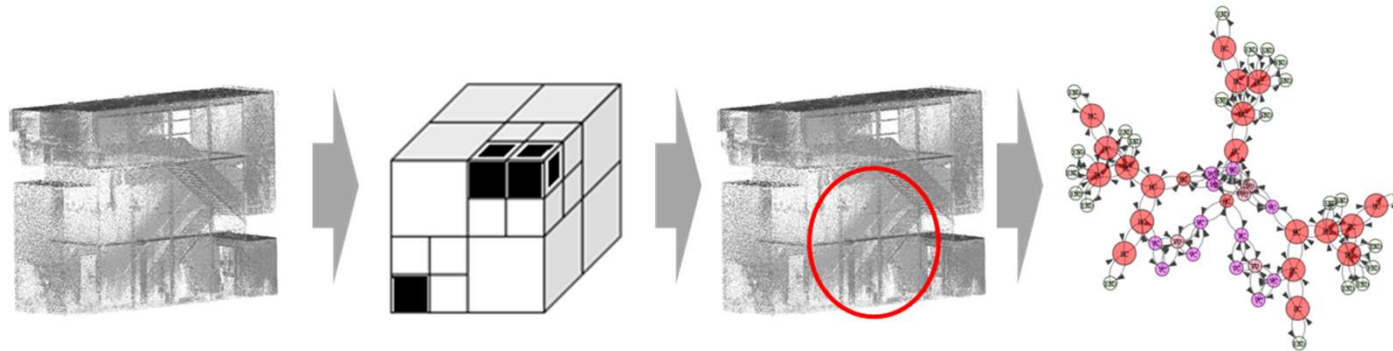
Octree

The route in processing

All using parts of “Pointless”

Semantic enrichment of a point cloud based on an octree for multi-storey pathfinding

MSc research by Florian Fichtner (2016)



To what extent can an octree support semantic enrichment of point clouds for the purpose of multi-storey pathfinding?

Identification of walkable space in a **voxel** model, derived from a point cloud and its corresponding trajectory

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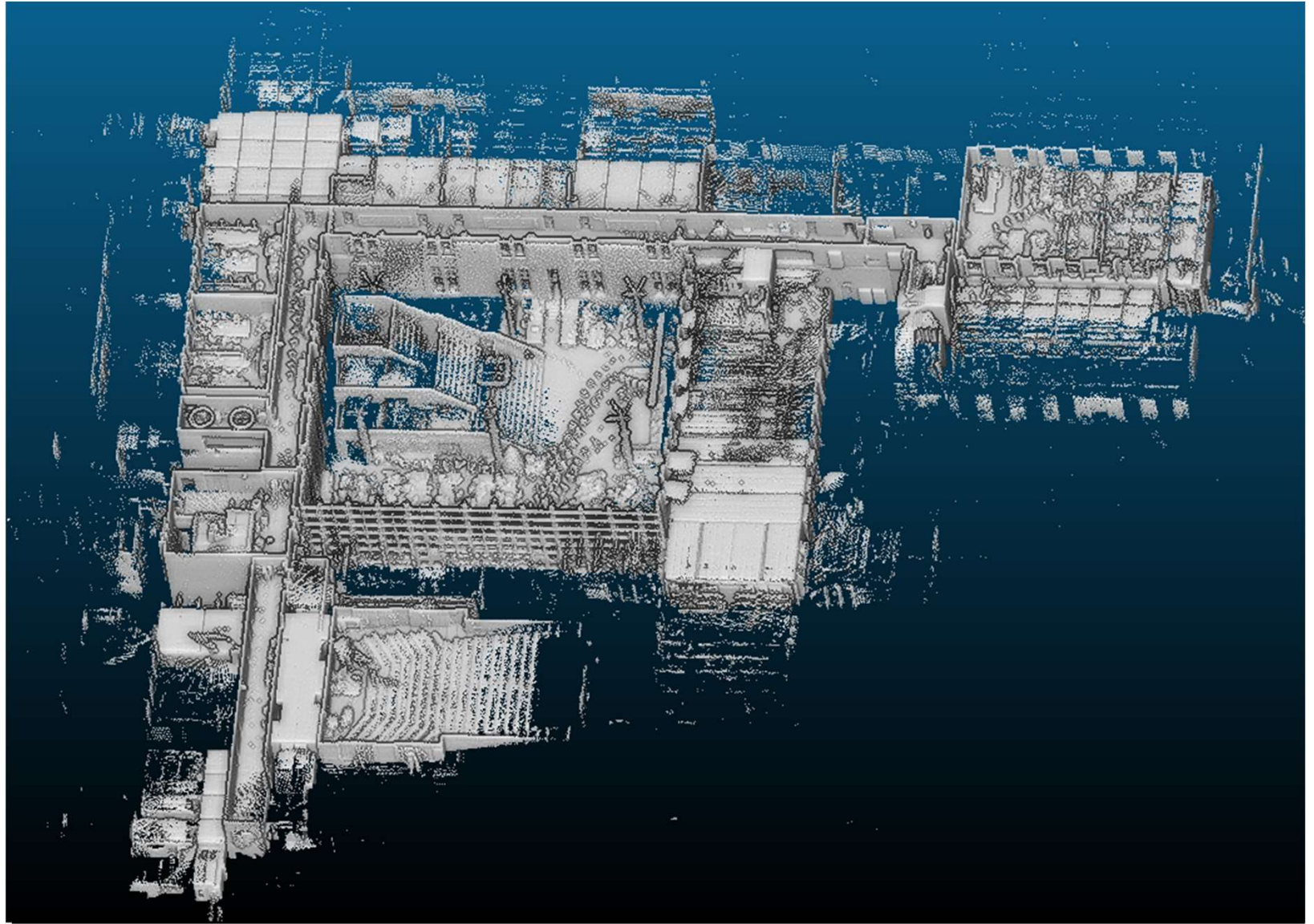
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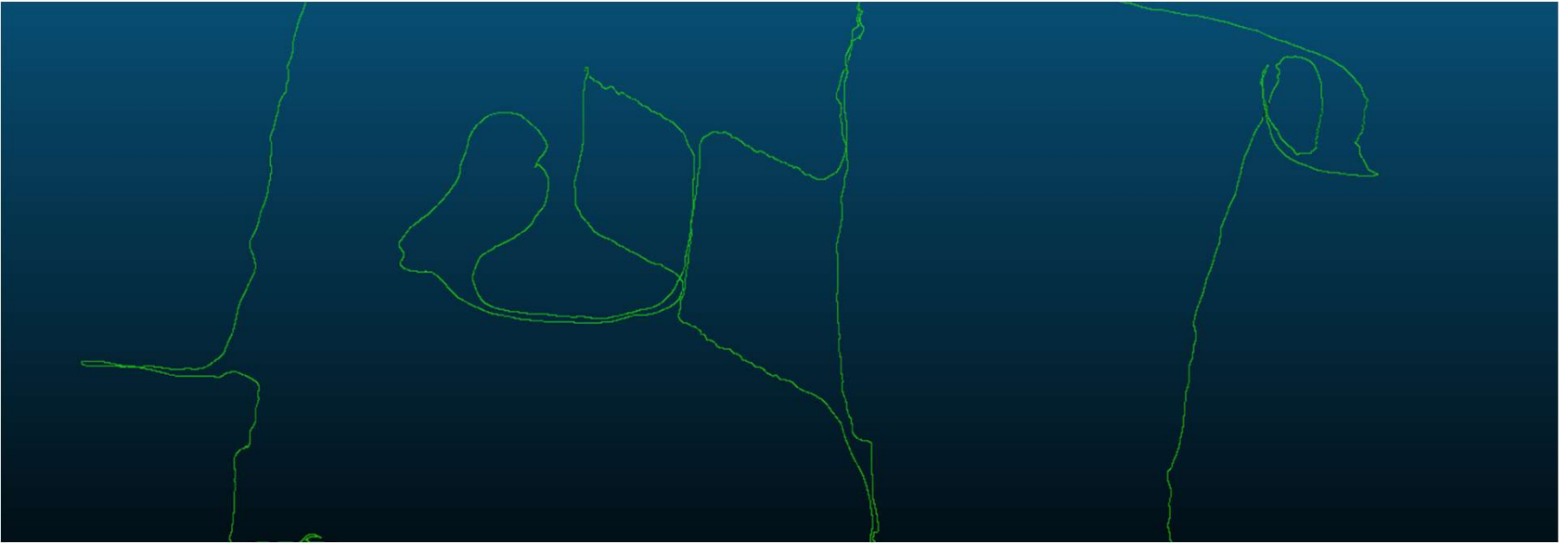


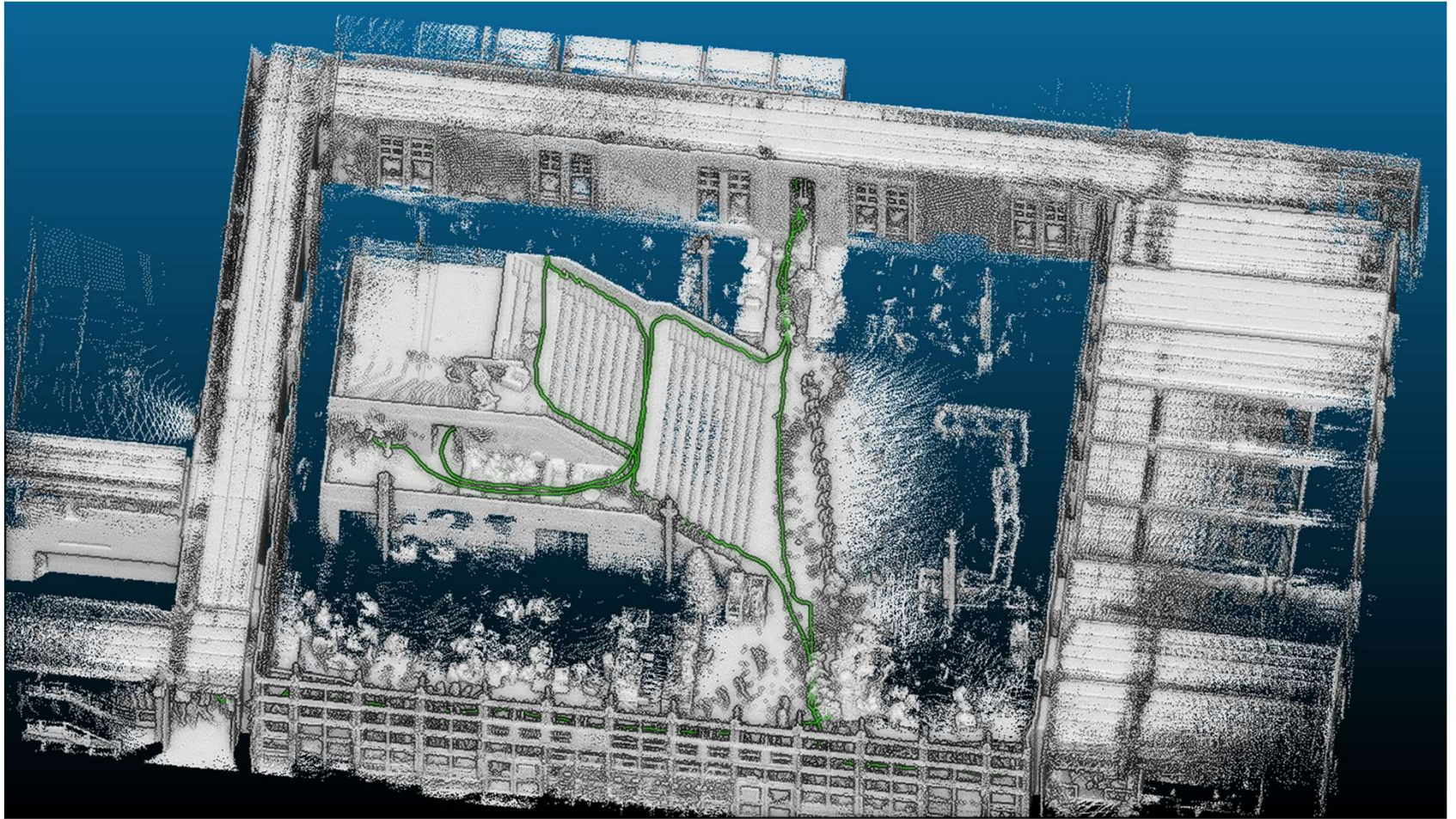
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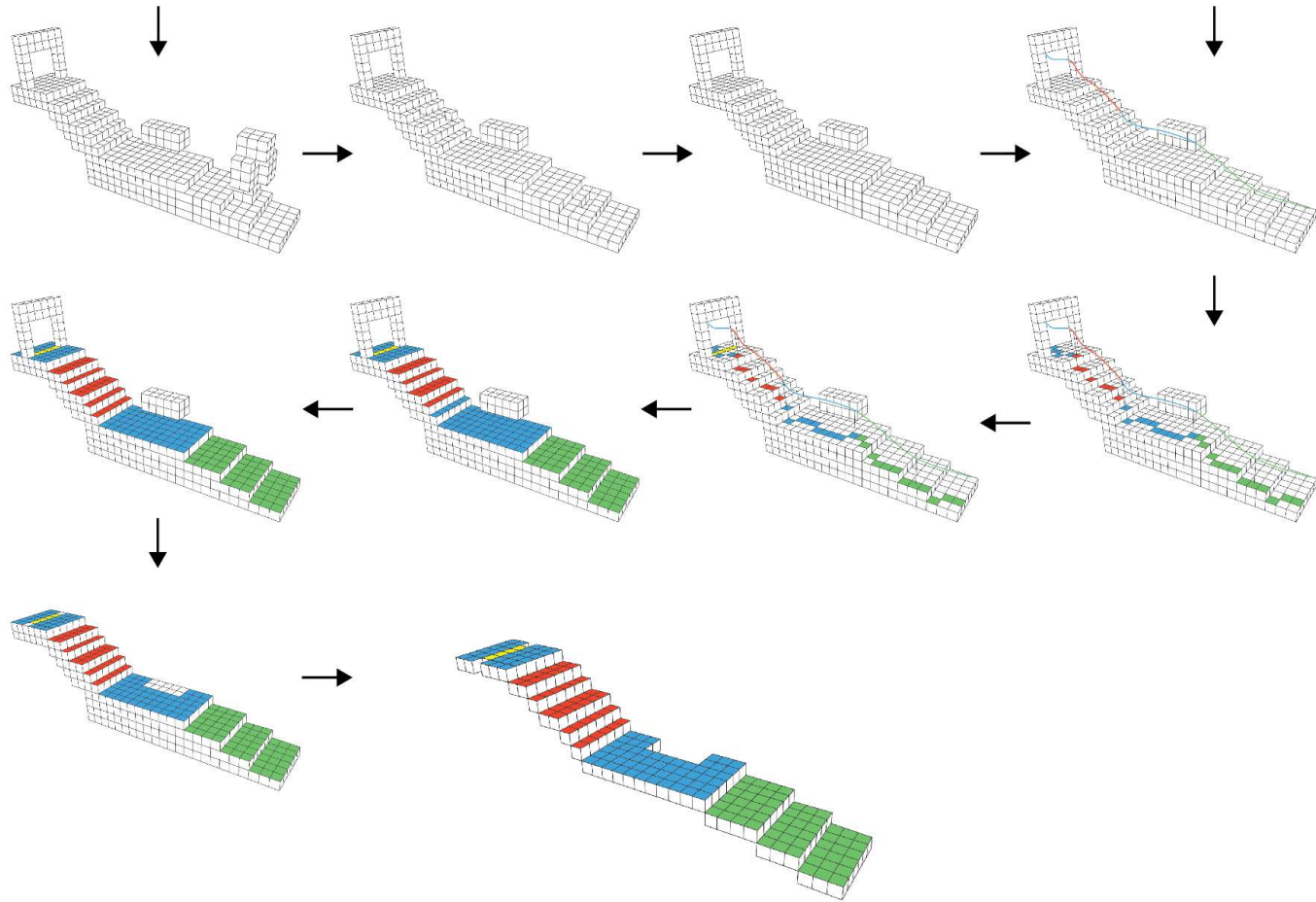
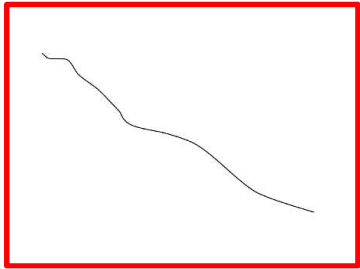
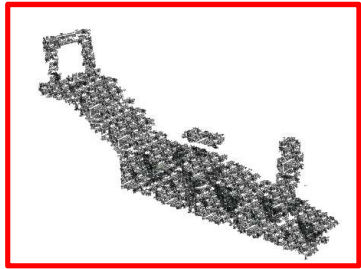




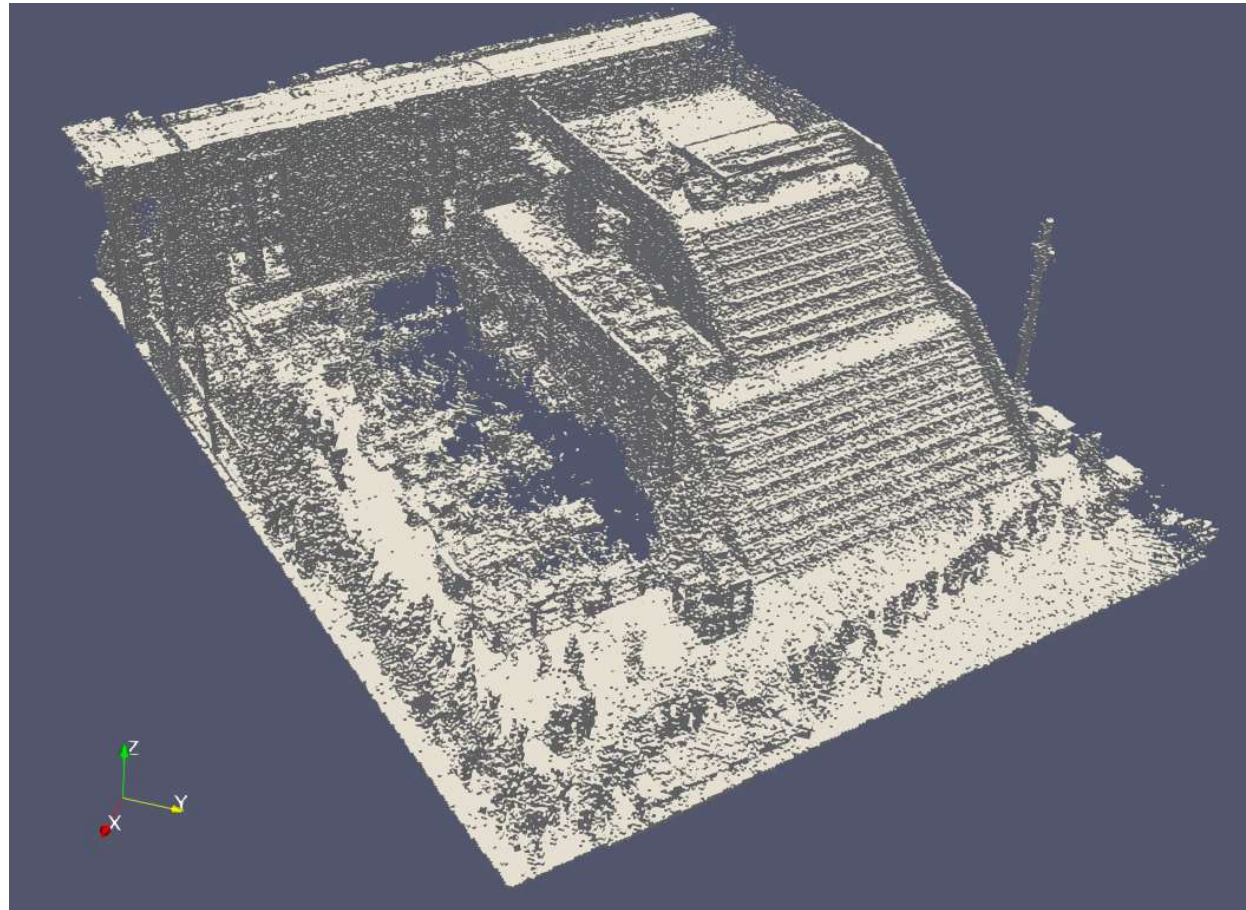








Remove dynamic objects



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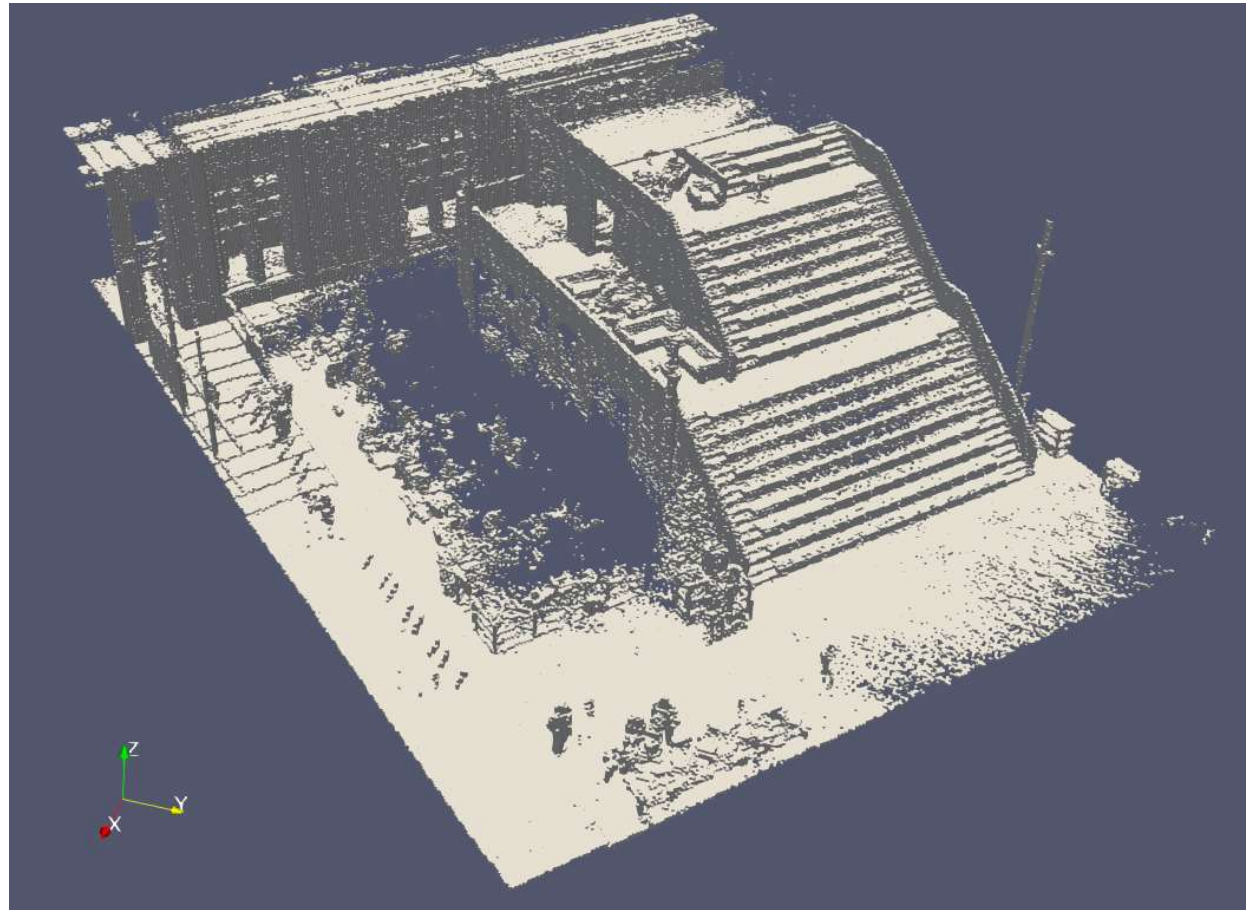
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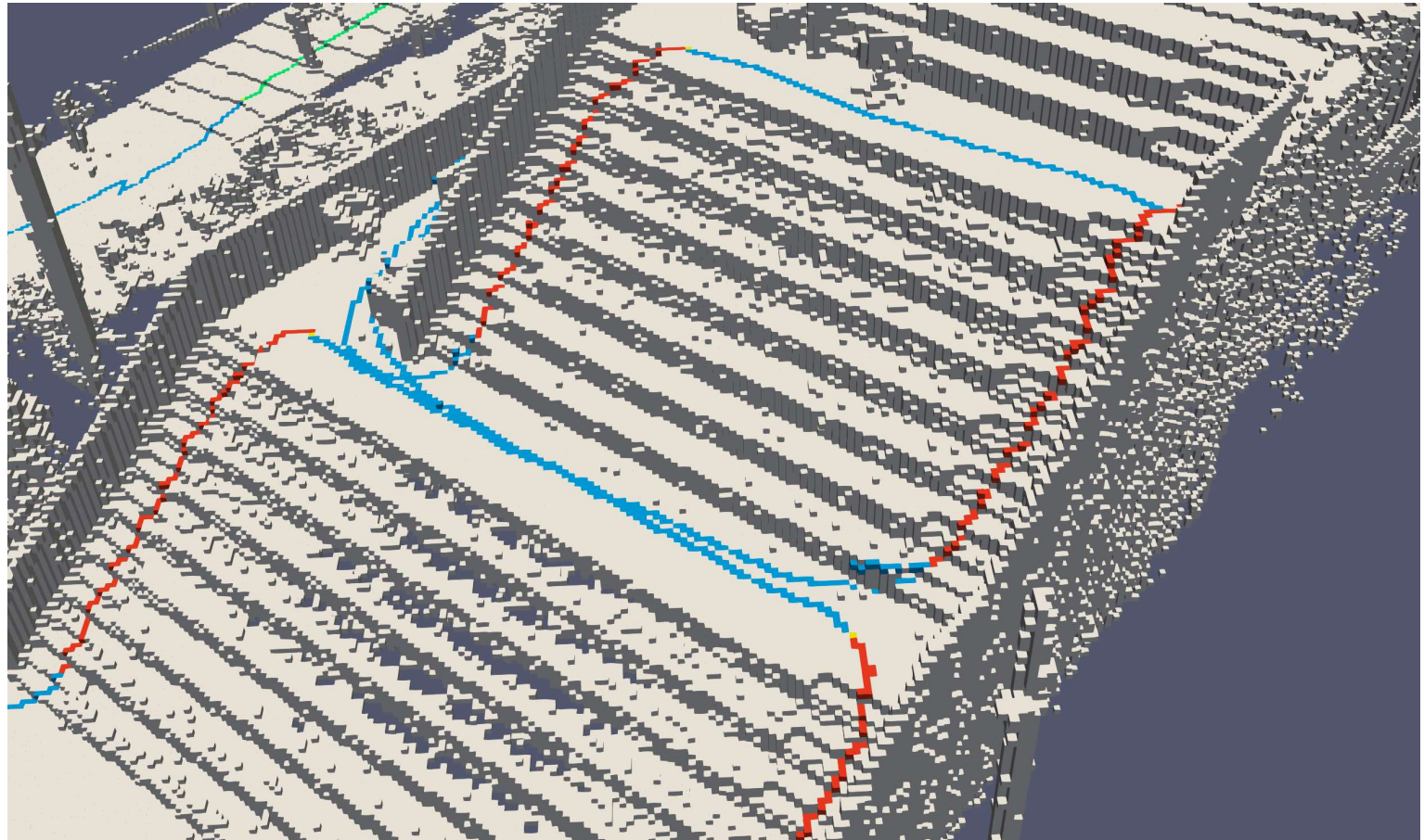
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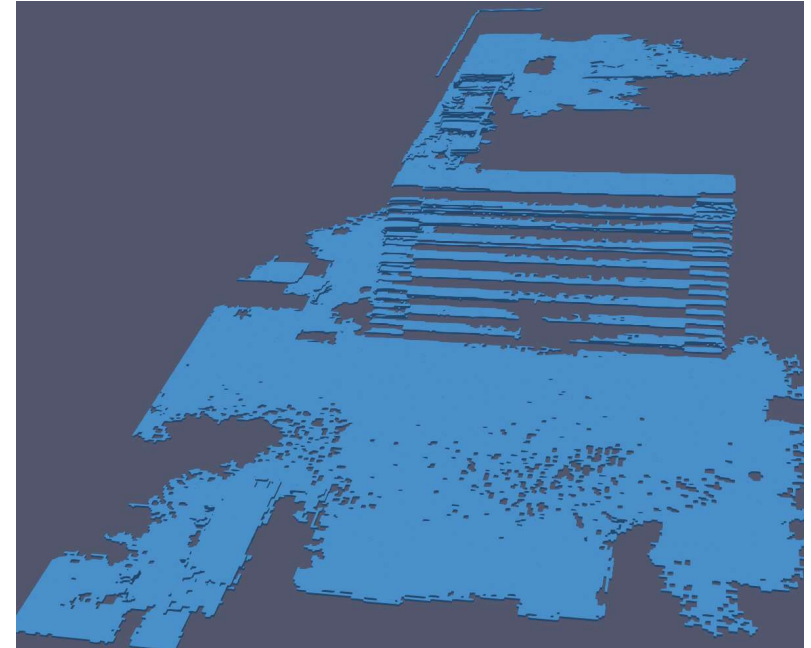
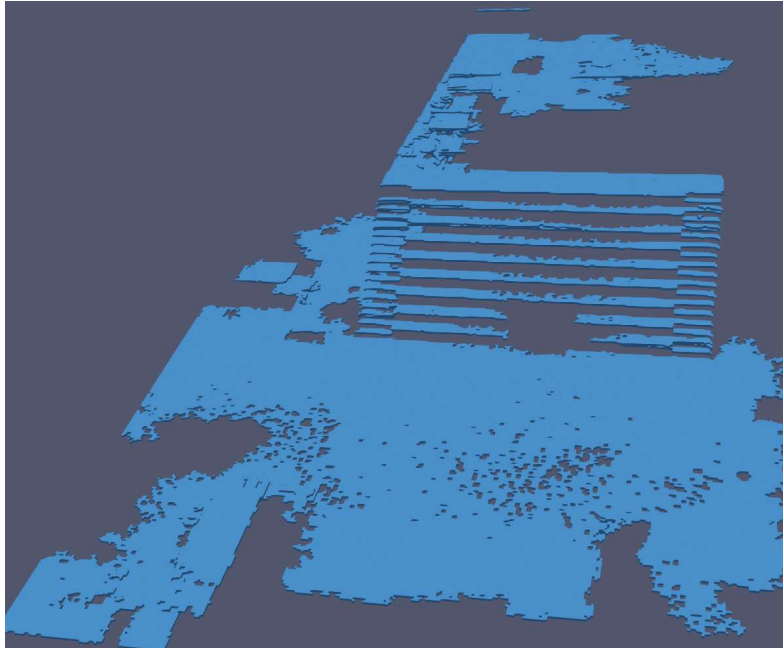
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Voxel model + seed voxels



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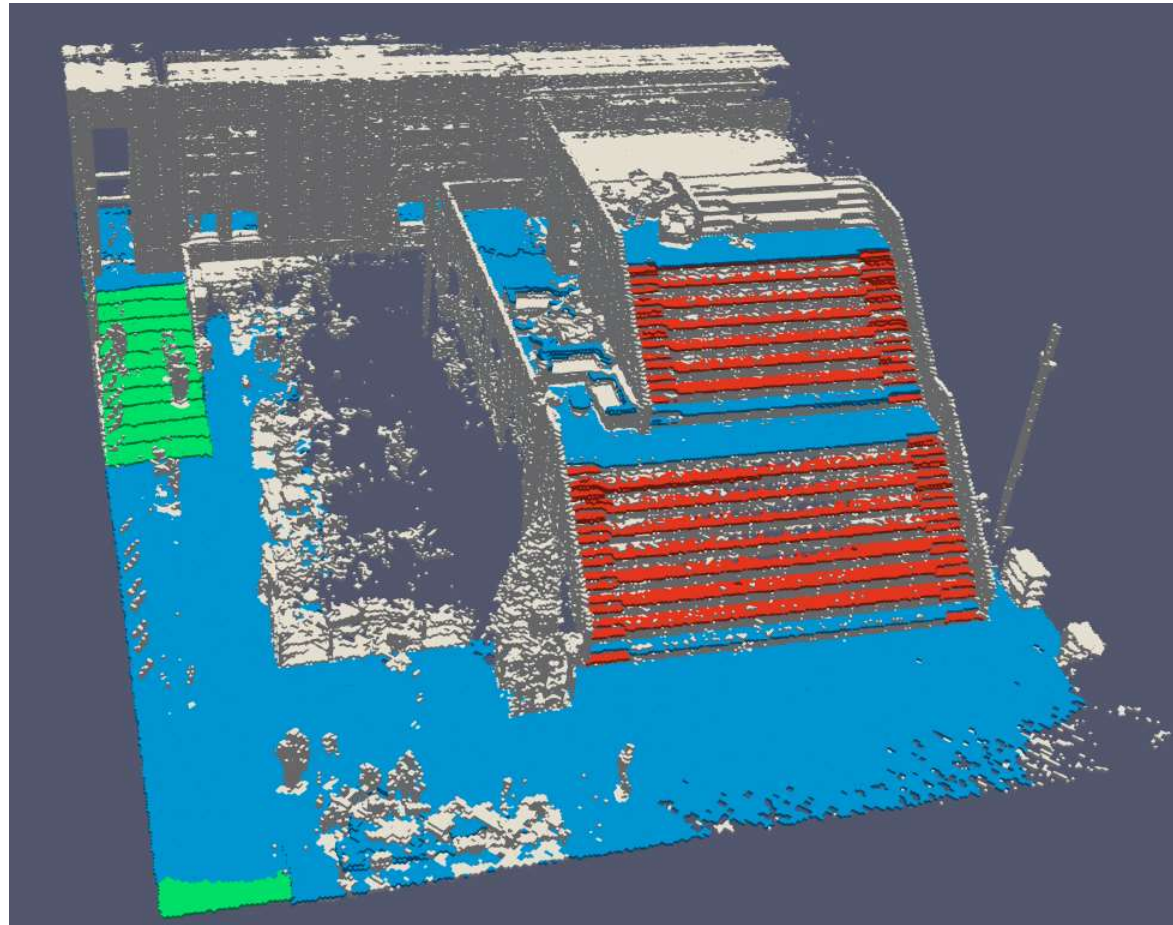
Region growing: two methods



Region growing type	Processing time in minutes	Number of voxels	Largest region in voxels
ClusterDBSCAN eps = 1.5	17	84540	48320
Ordered checking	169	90292	48568

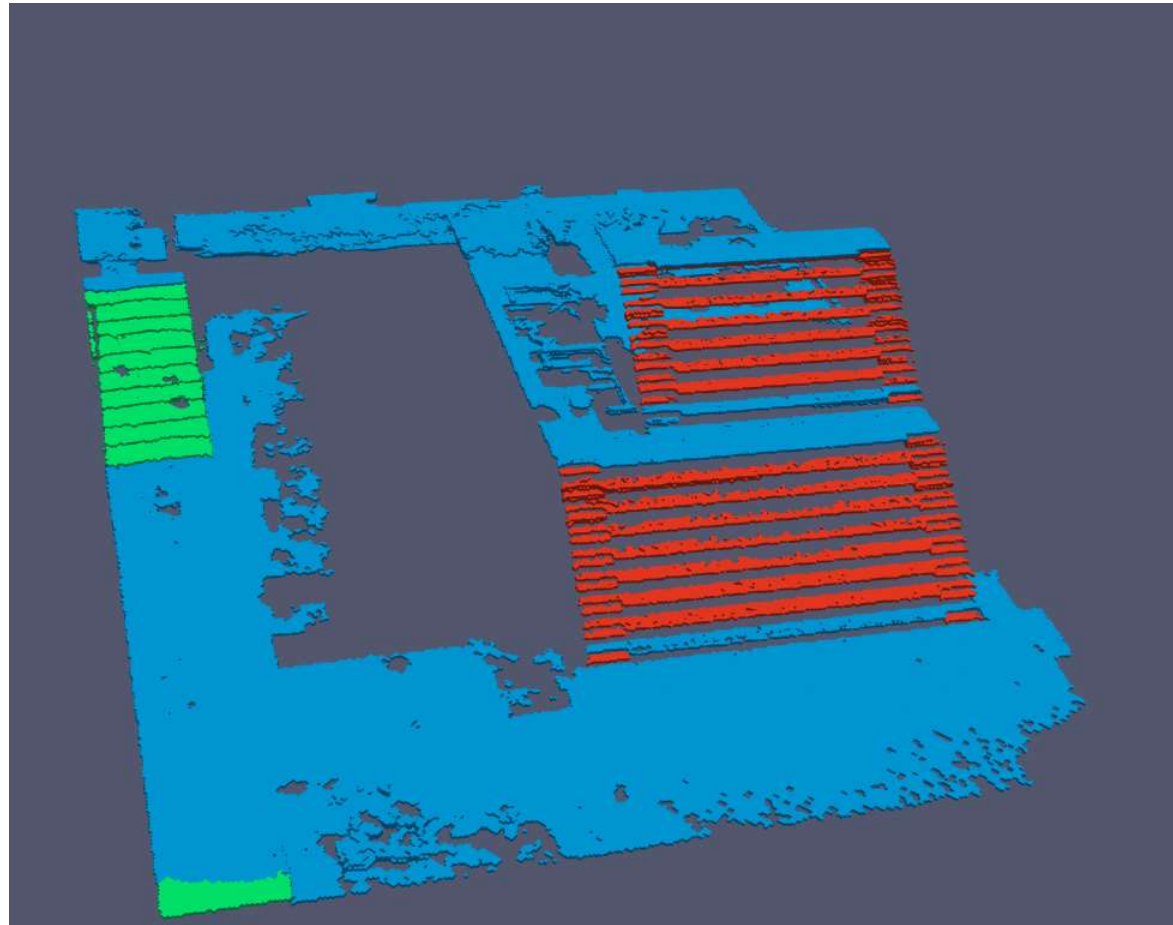
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Results: navigable space



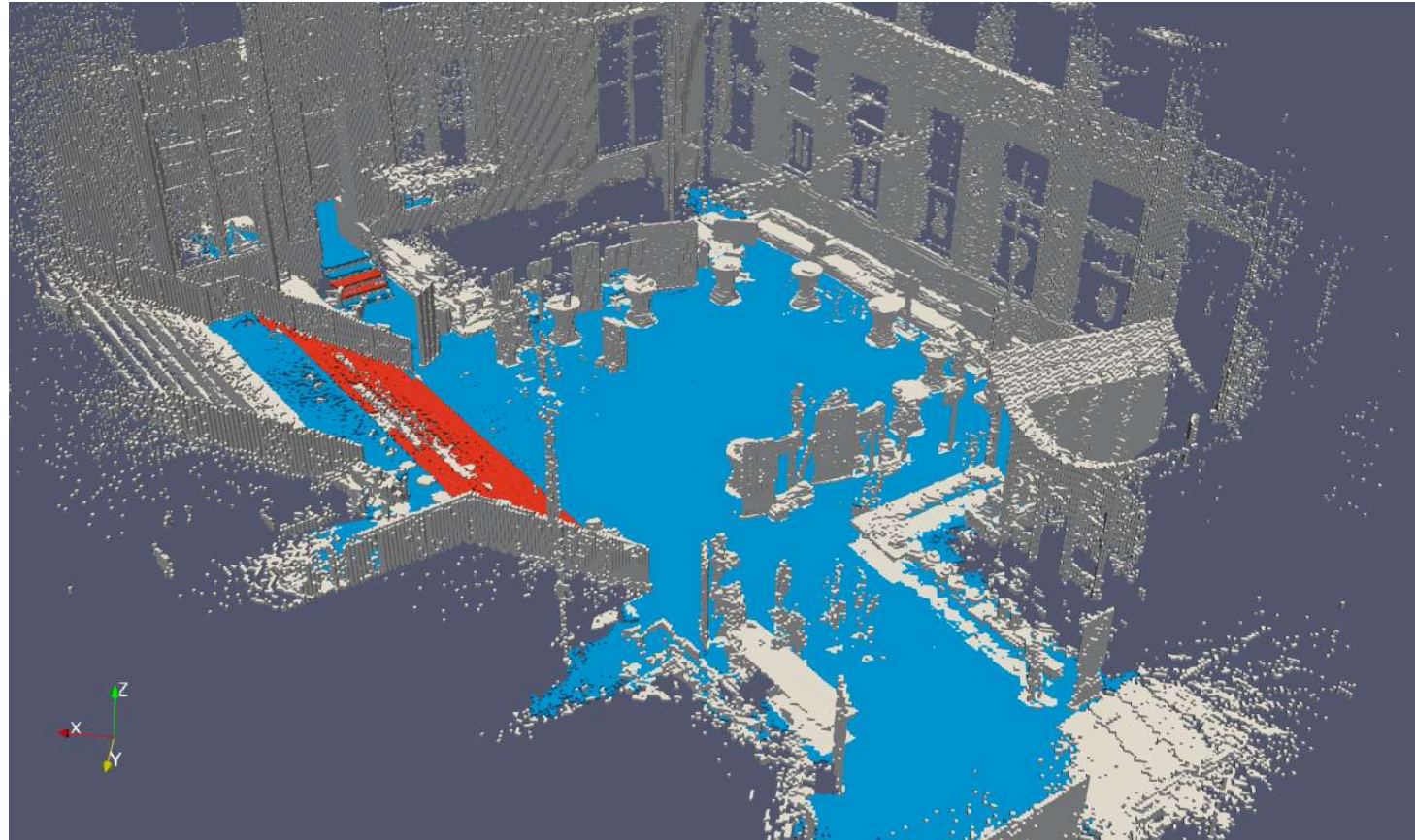
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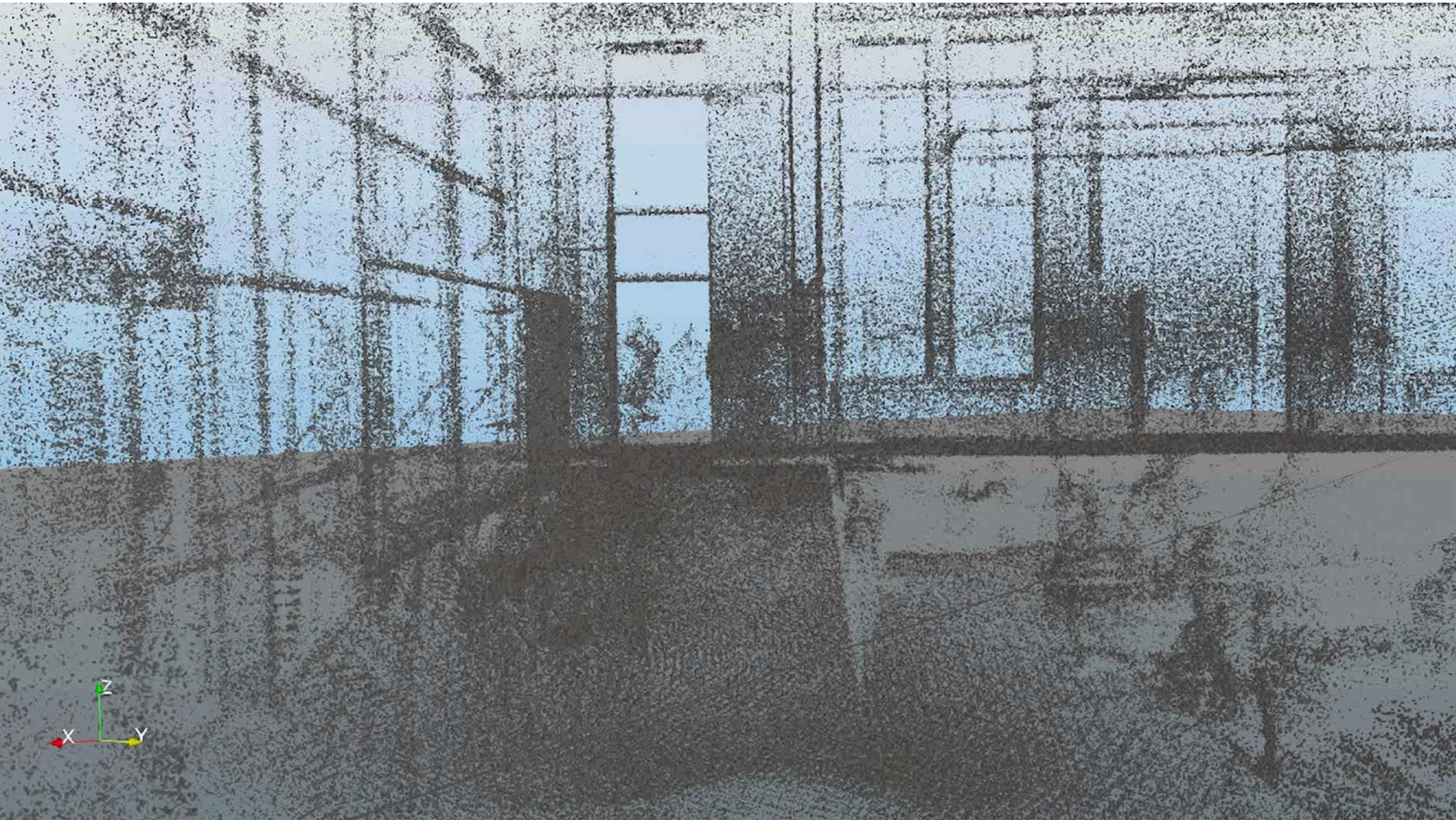
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Automatic Extraction of an IndoorGML Navigation Graph from an Indoor Point Cloud

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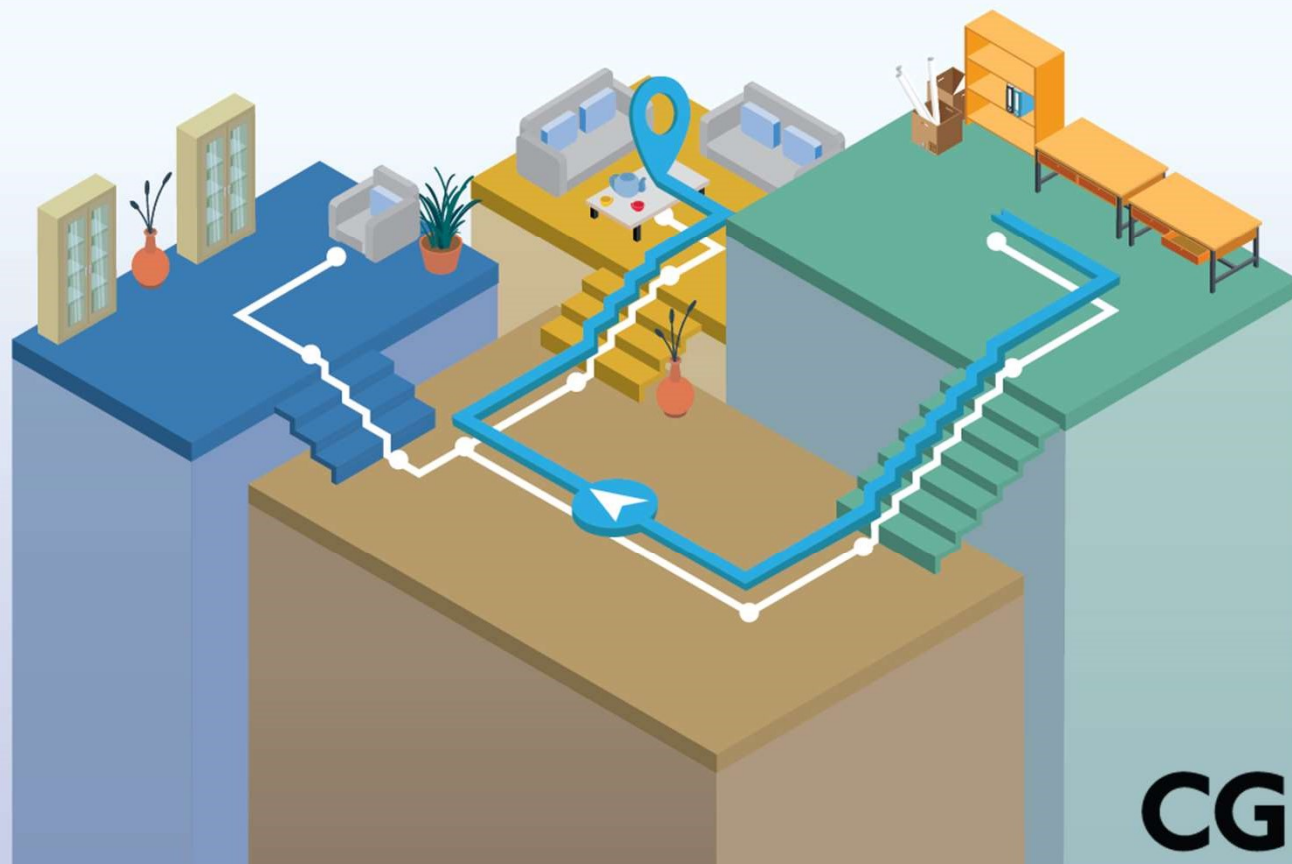
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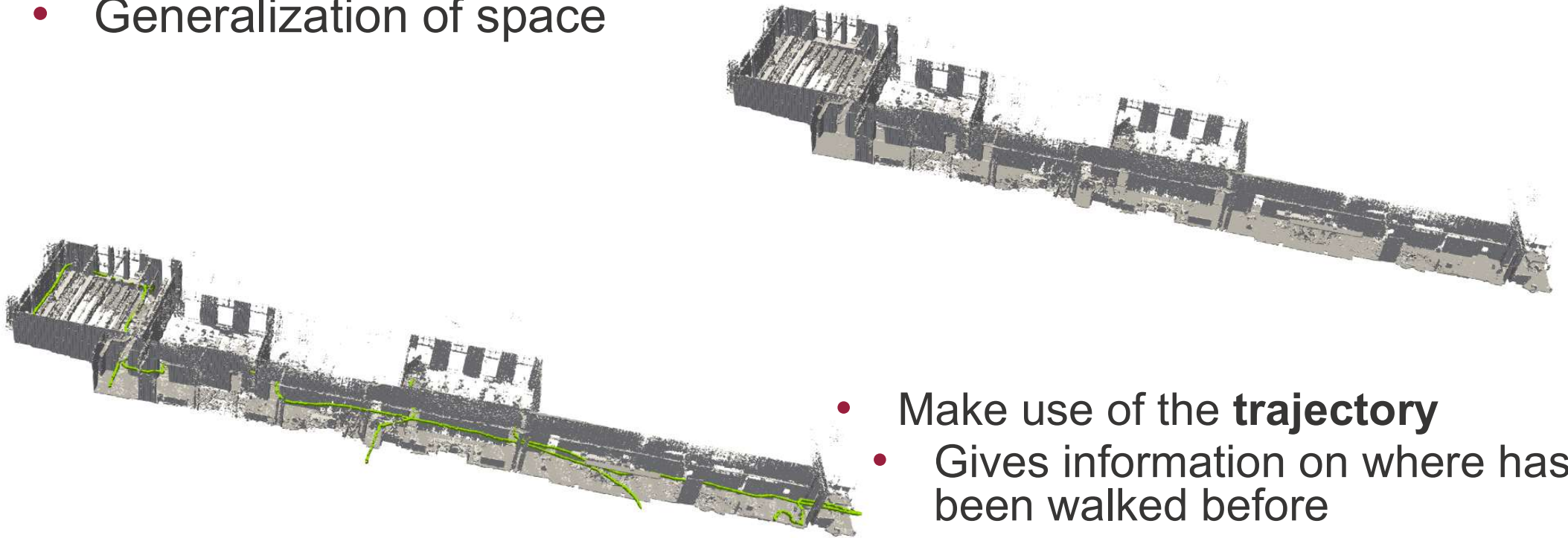
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Use of voxels

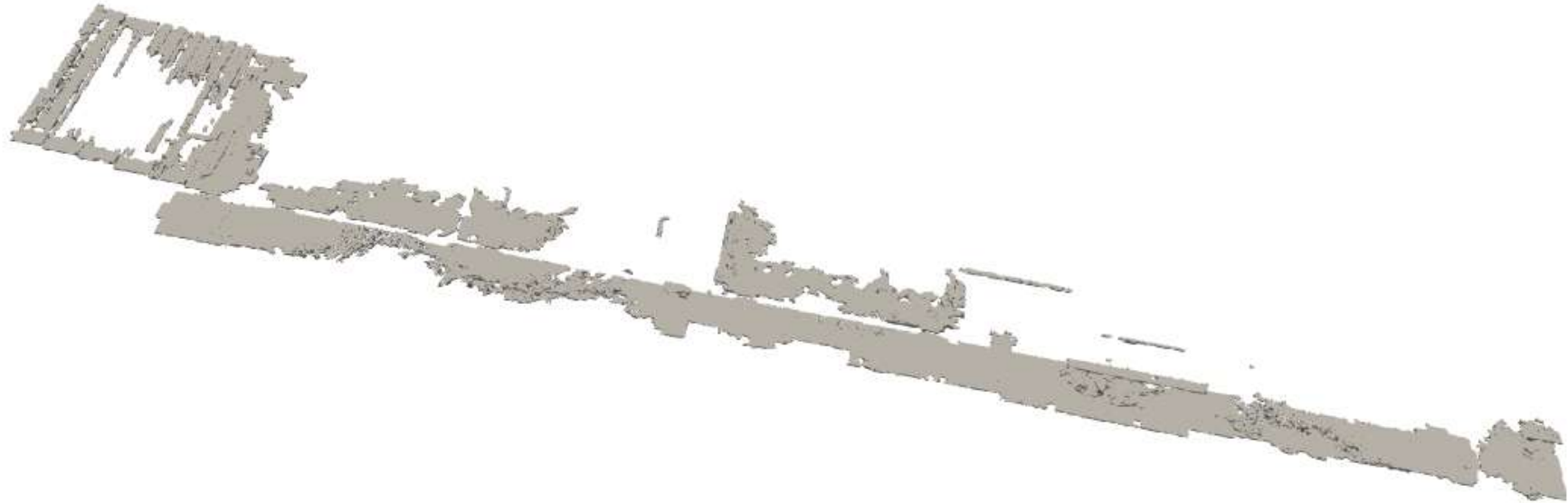
- Millions of points become thousands of voxels
- Downscale in data size: faster processing
- Generalization of space



- Make use of the **trajectory**
- Gives information on where has been walked before

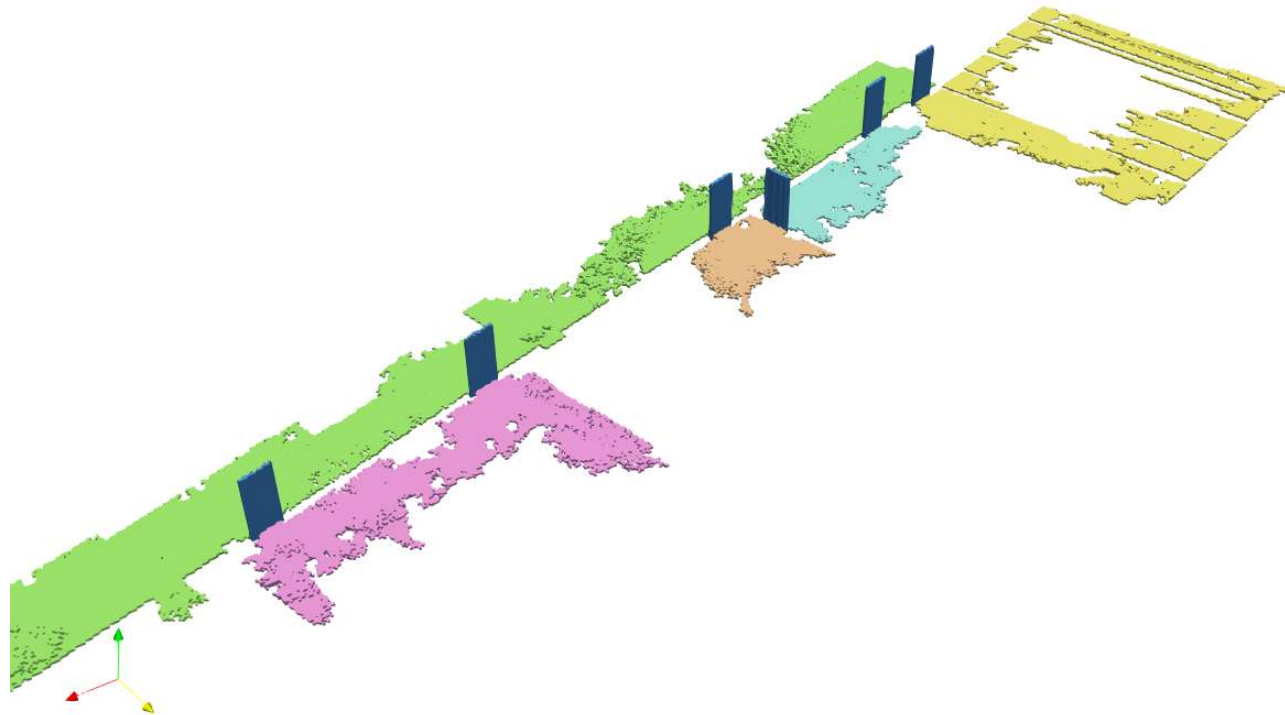
Where can we walk?

- Retrieve walkable voxels
 - All floors, stairs, ramps, etc



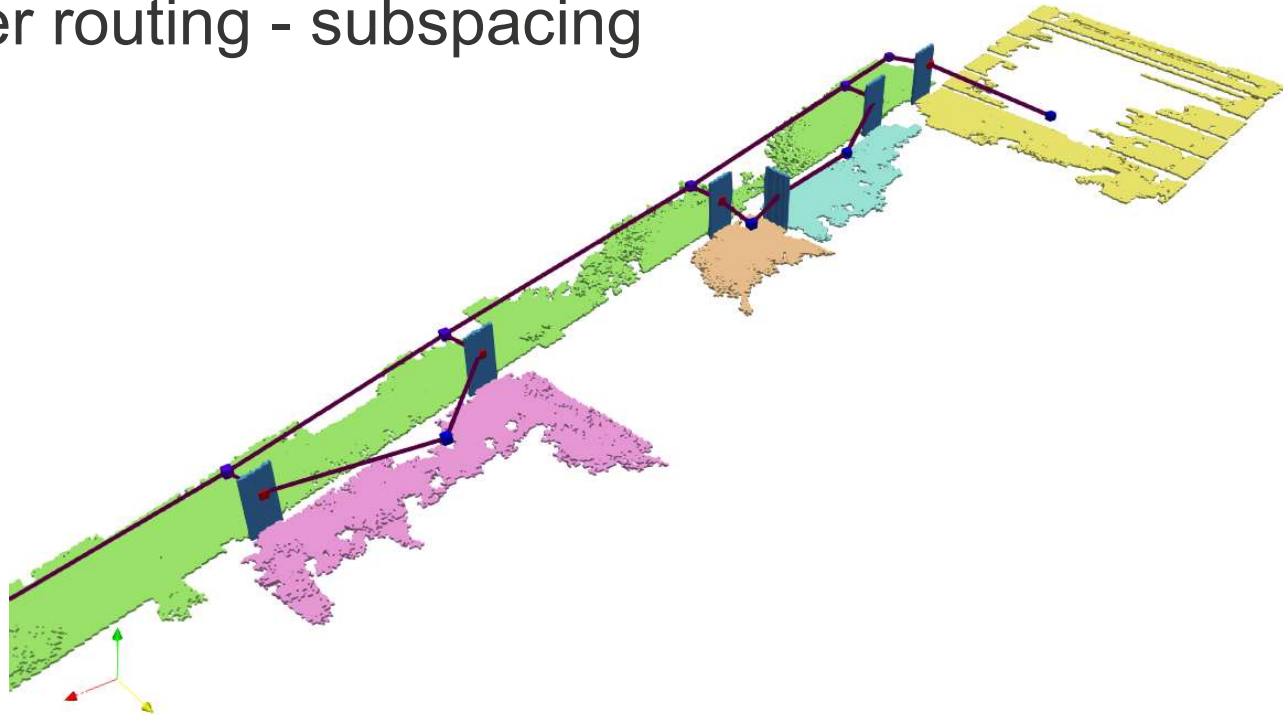
How to get a navigation network?

- Detect doors
- Divide walkable space into separate rooms



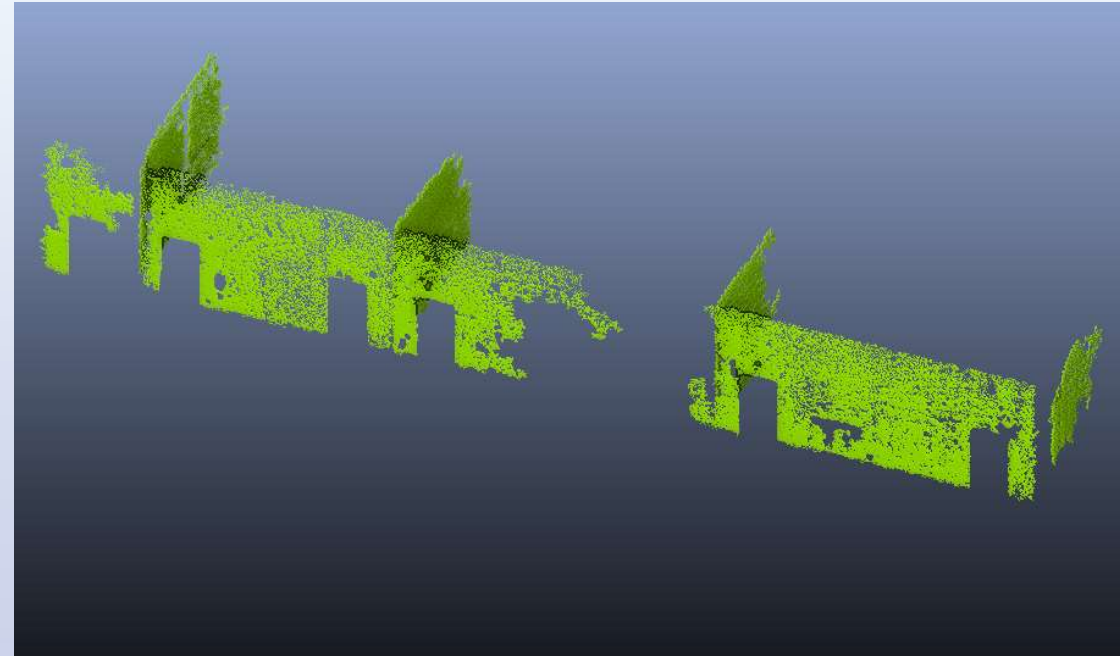
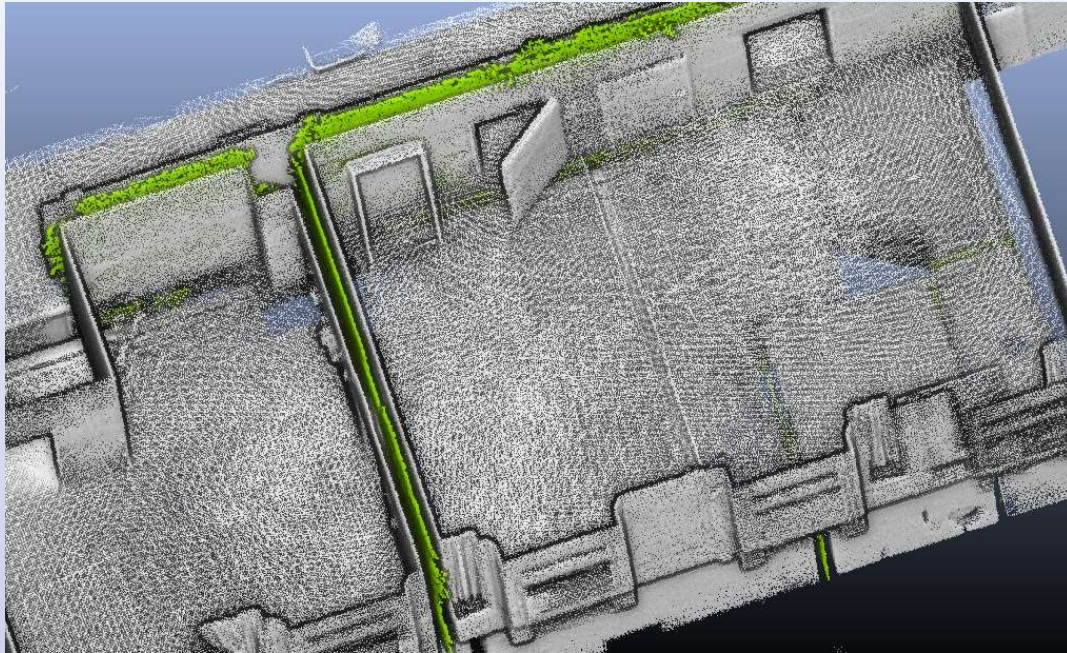
How to get a navigation network?

- Define connectivity between all spaces
- Divide hallway into smaller parts for better routing - subspacing



Medial wall sheets

- MAT Medial Axis Transform



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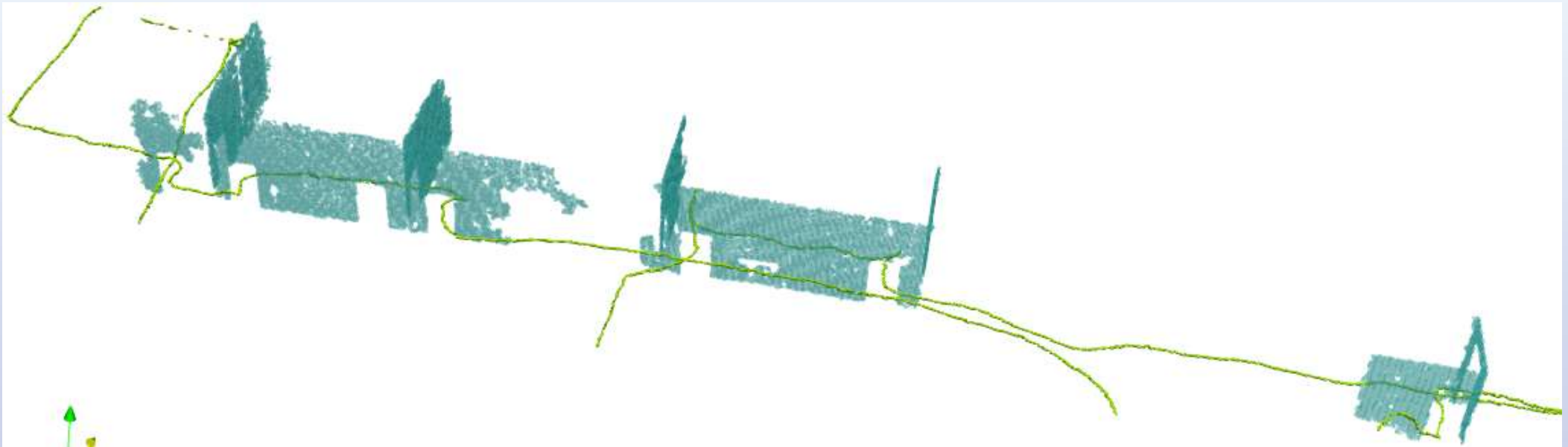
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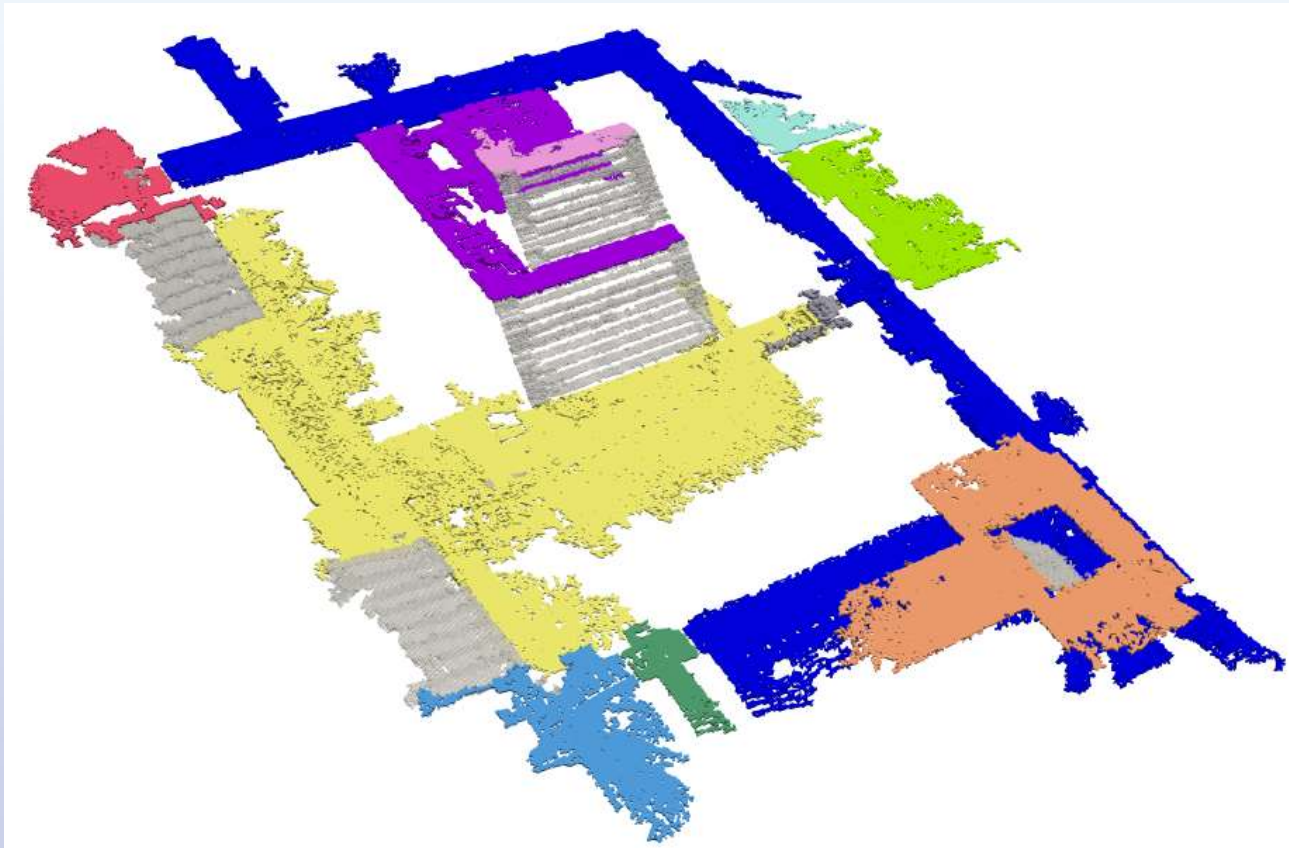
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Door detection using 3D MAT sheet voxels

- Together with trajectory



Creating separate indoor spaces



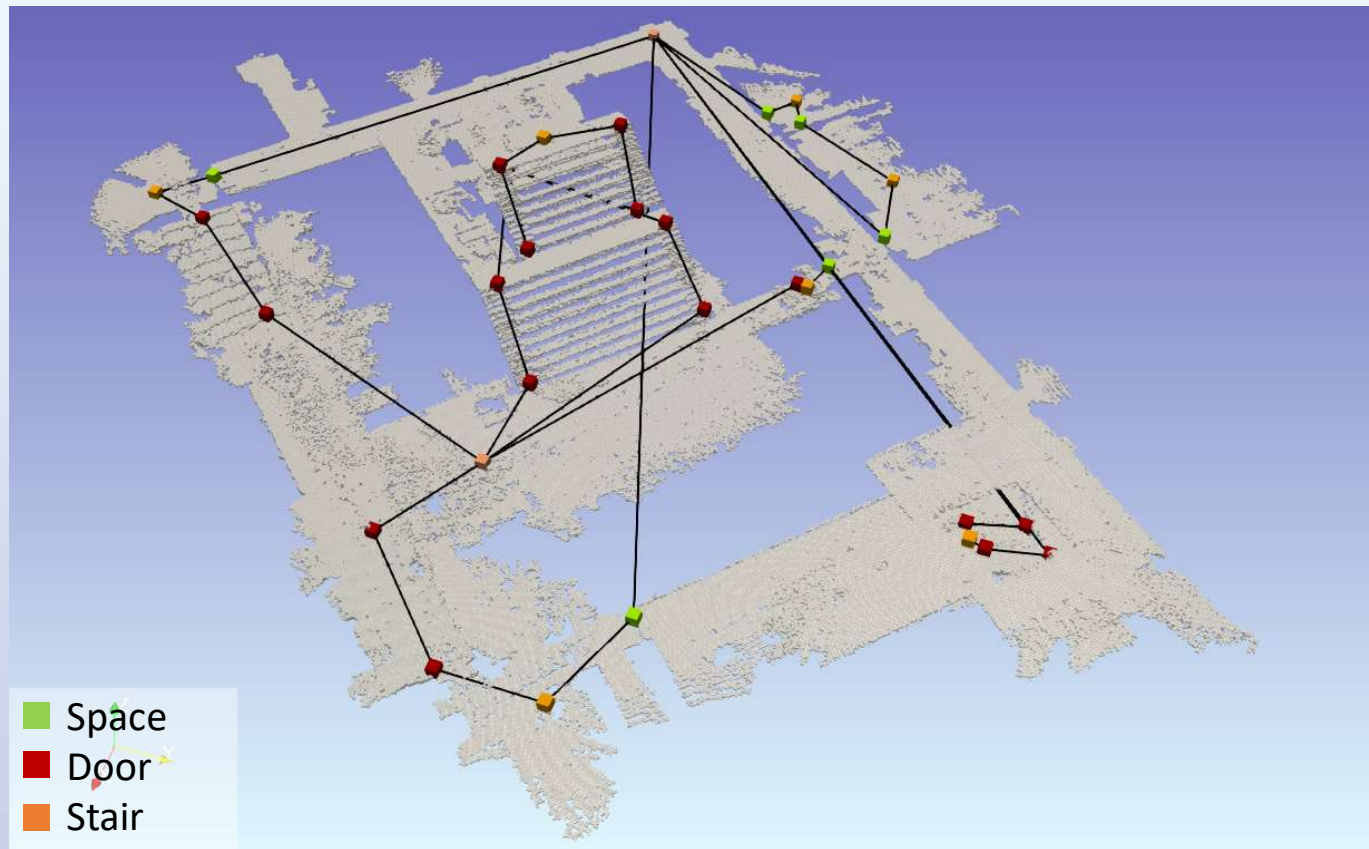
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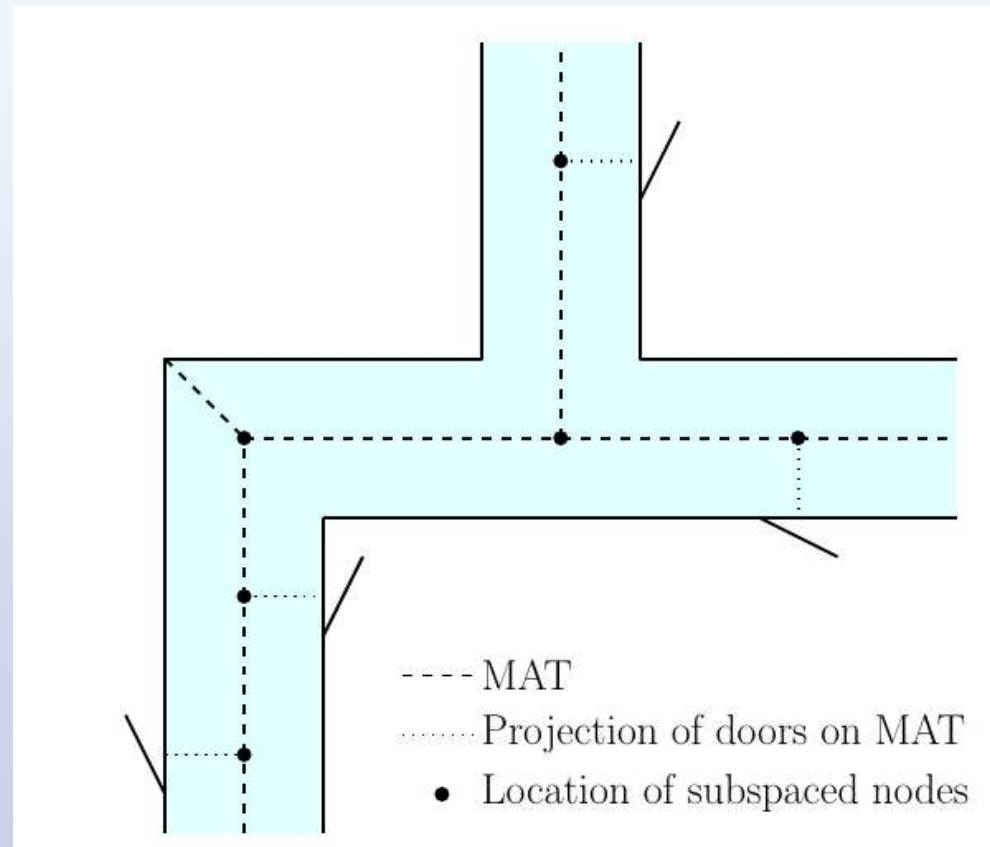
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Connectivity graph



Subspacing corridor with MAT



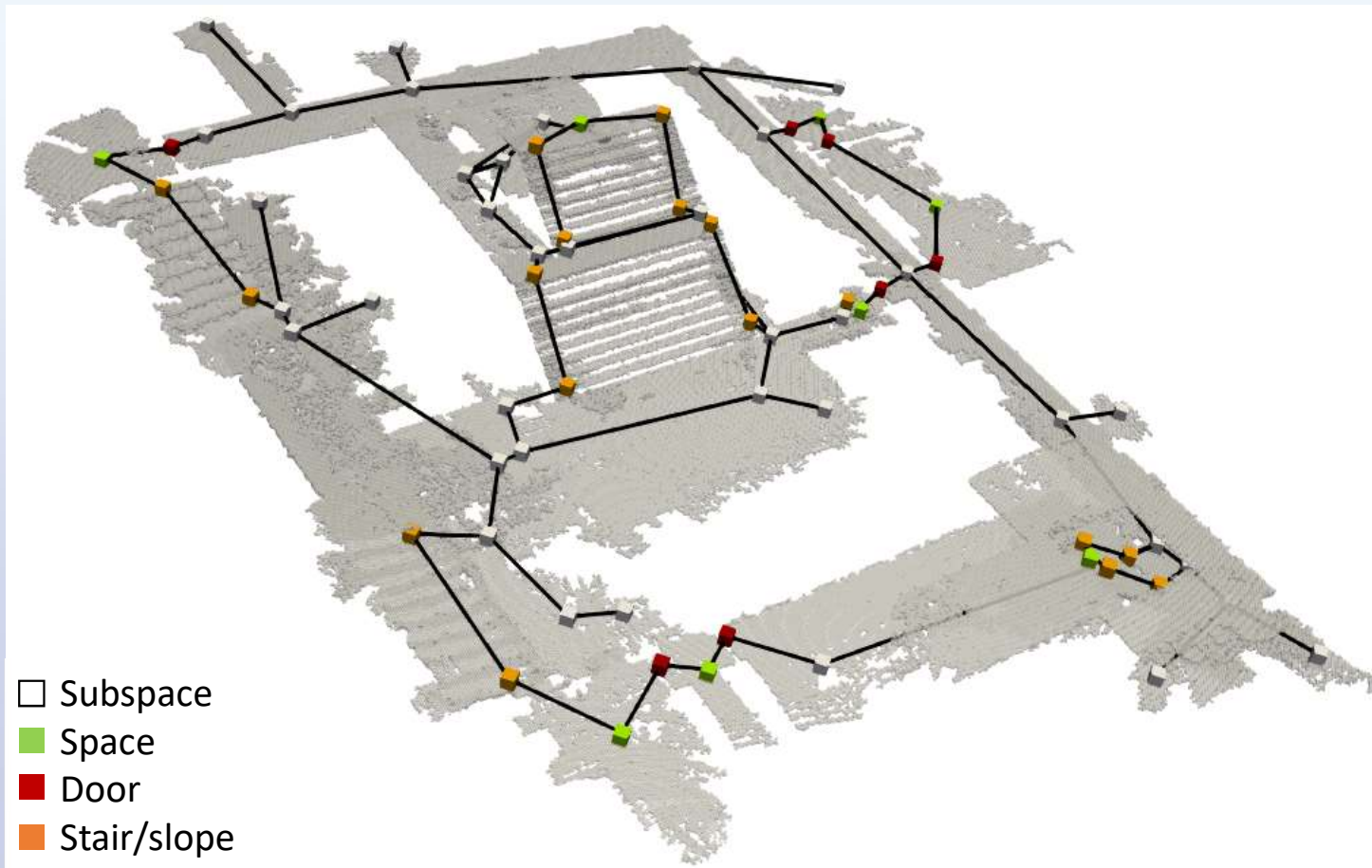
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Result of subspace



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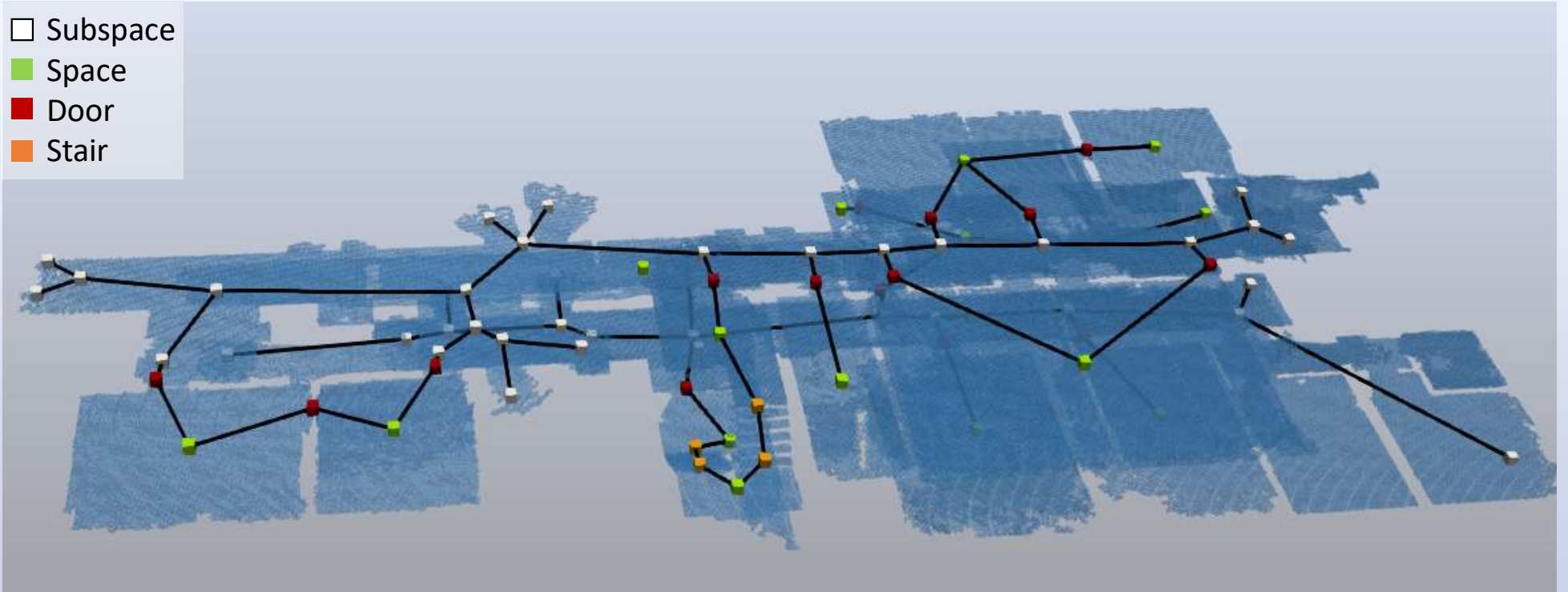
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Results on test point cloud

- Subspace
- Space
- Door
- Stair



Many future challenges!

- Will we be in need of stored datasets?
- Complex indoor environments with micro navigation



Scanning, sharing and using it directly

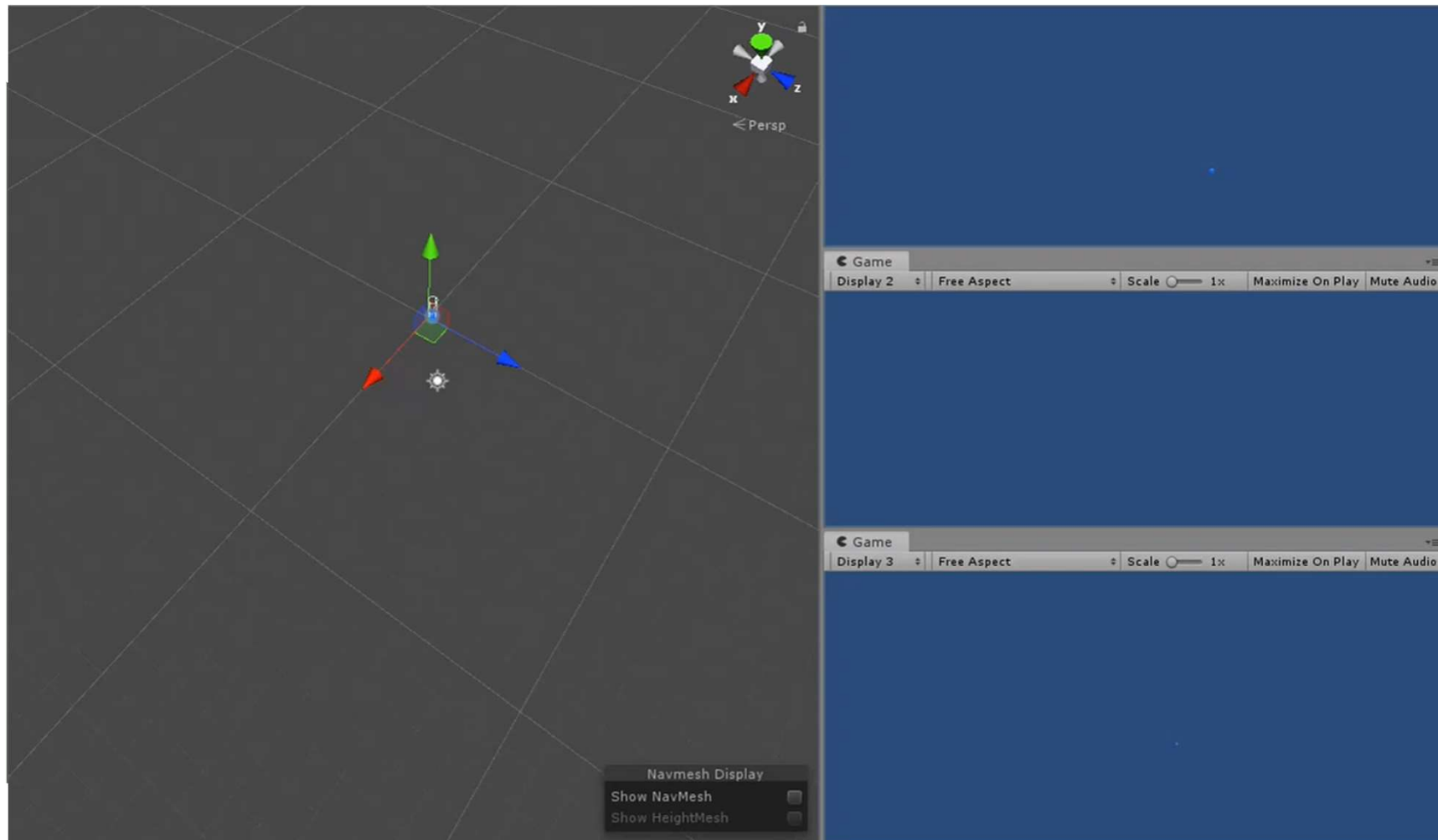
Creating Remote 3D Indoor First Responder Situation Awareness in Real-Time using SLAM



MSc research of Bart-Peter Smit (GIMA)

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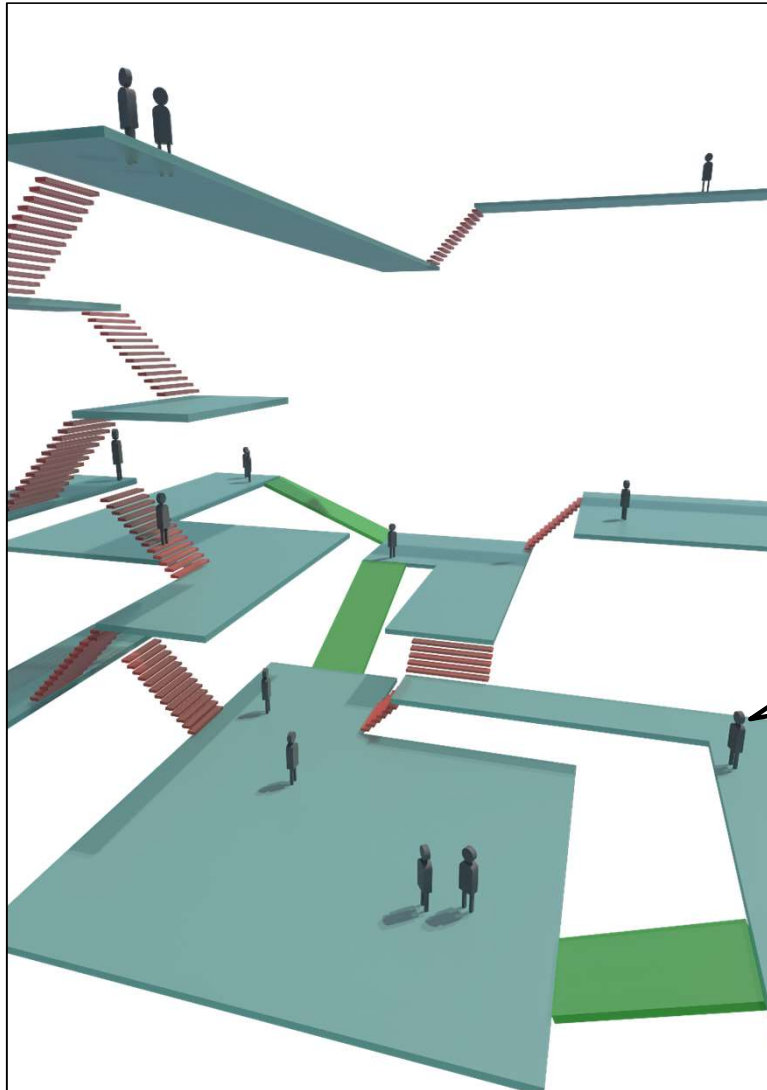


Future research

- Glas detection
- 3D Indoor visualisations for operations (from outdoor to indoor and directly indoor)
- Collaborative scanning

- Demo Rotterdam (if time left)





Thank you
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