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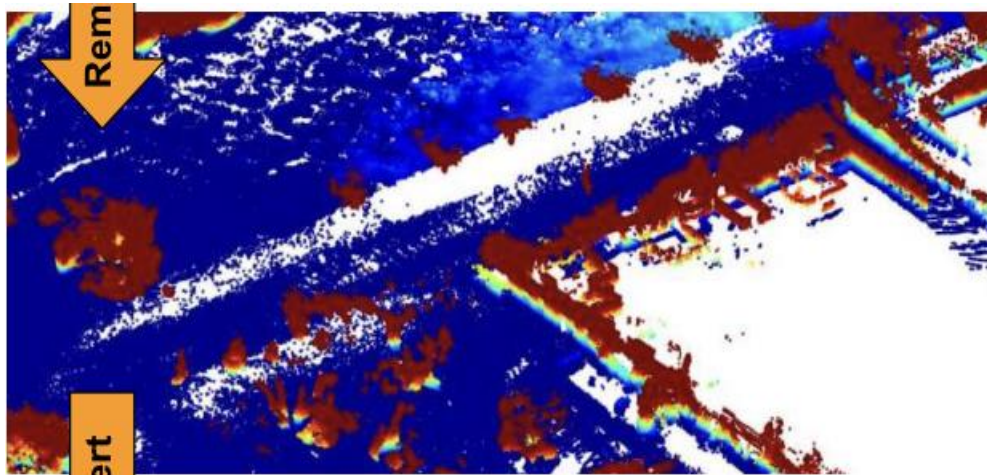
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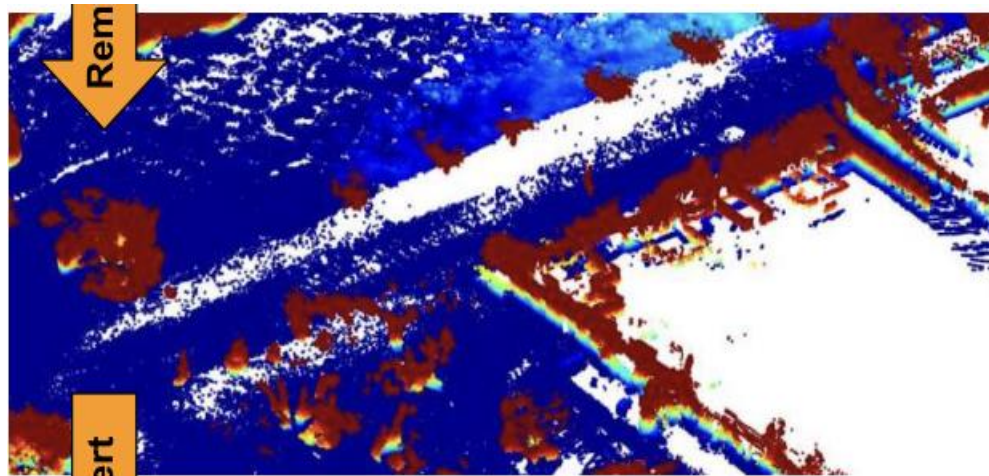
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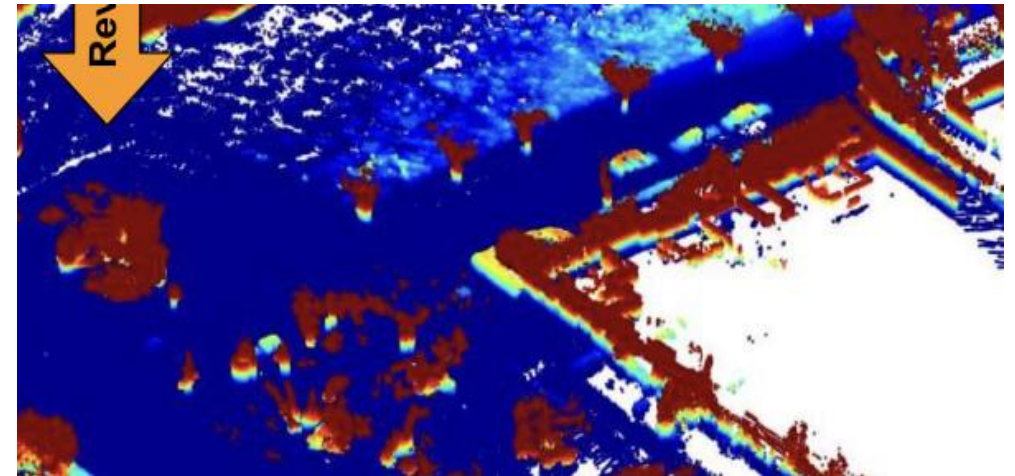
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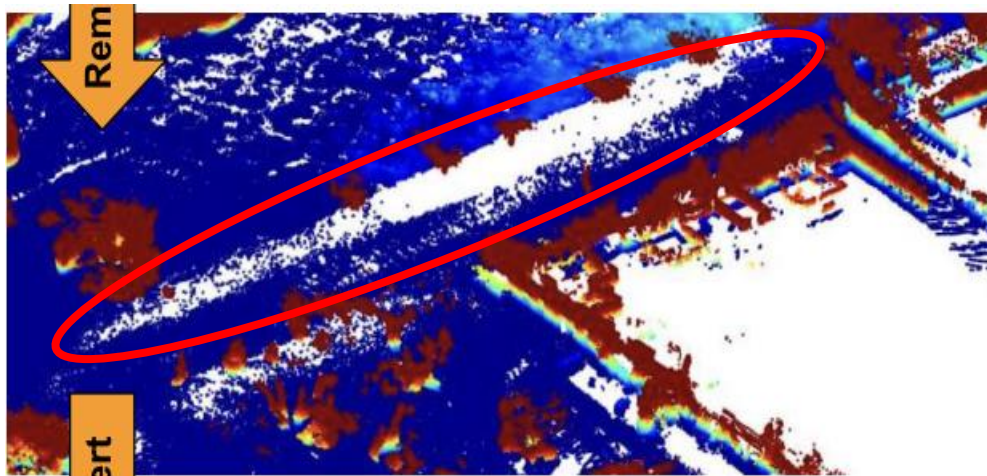
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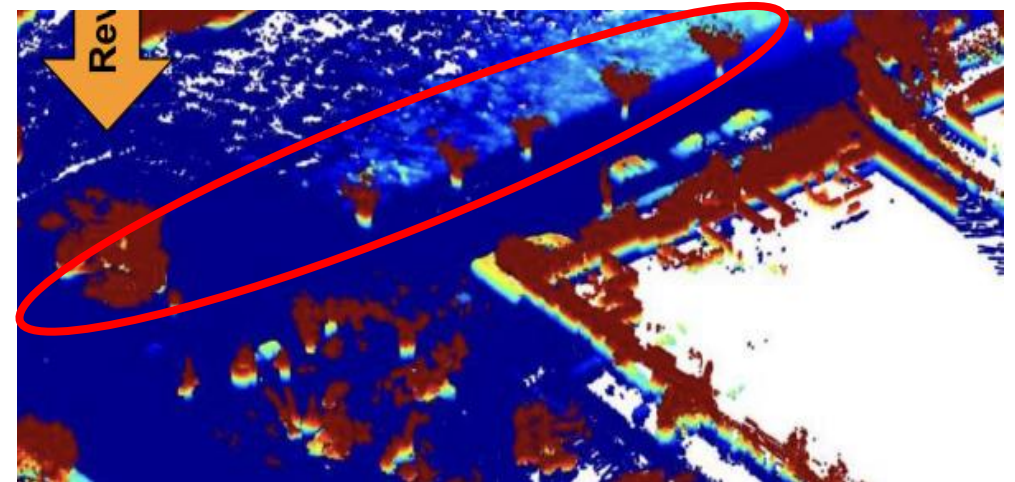
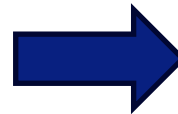
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Related Work

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 - Undistort a LiDAR scan for dynamic object detection
 - *Use multi-scaled range images (In this paper)*

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- Q : local sensor's coordinate
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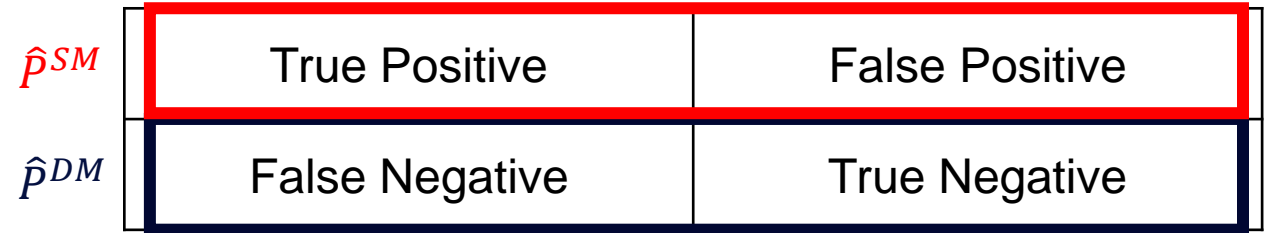
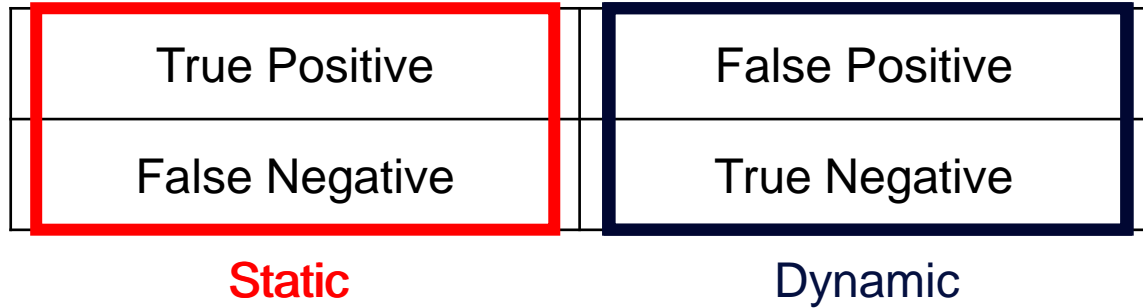
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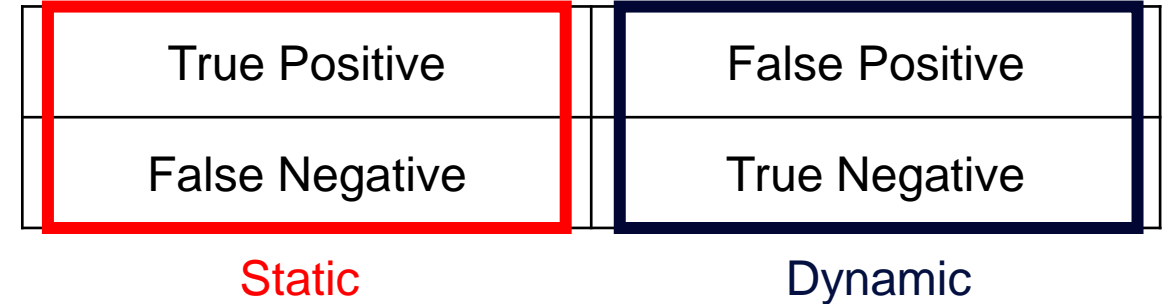
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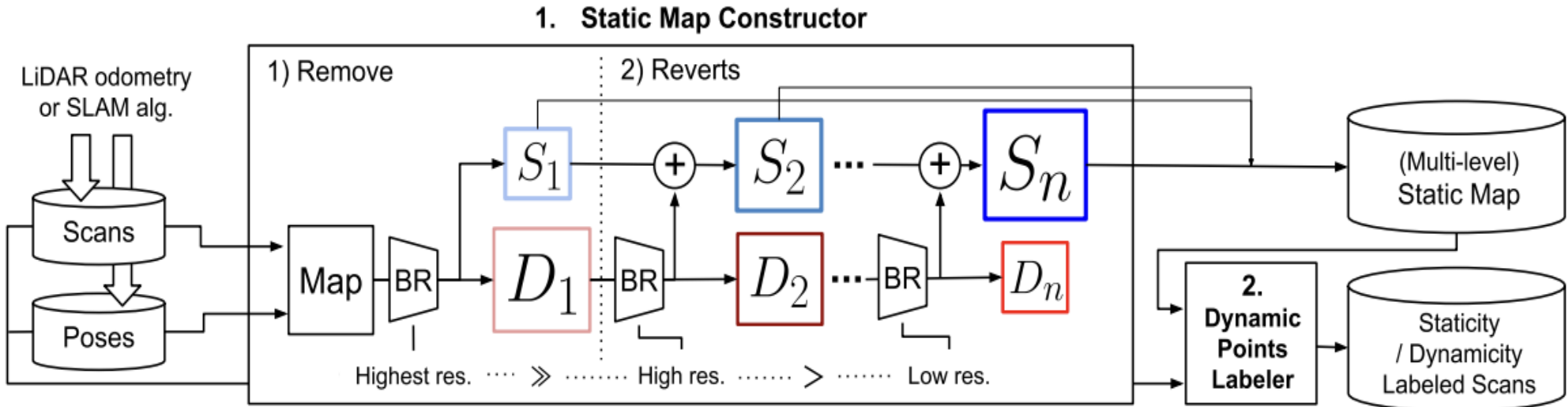
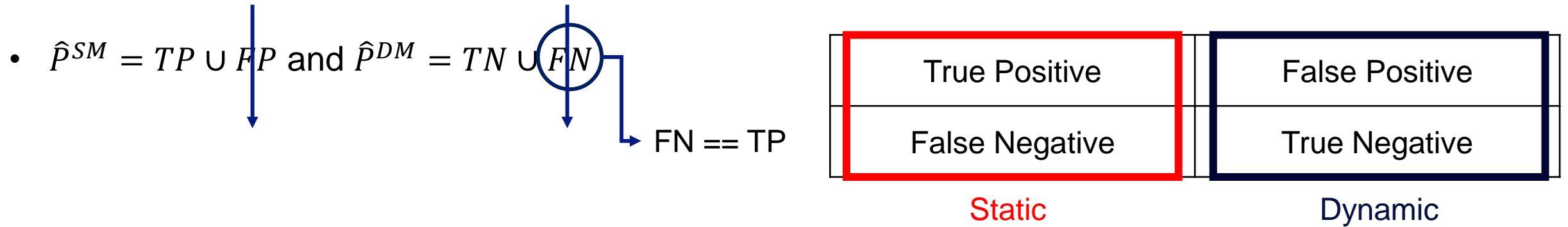
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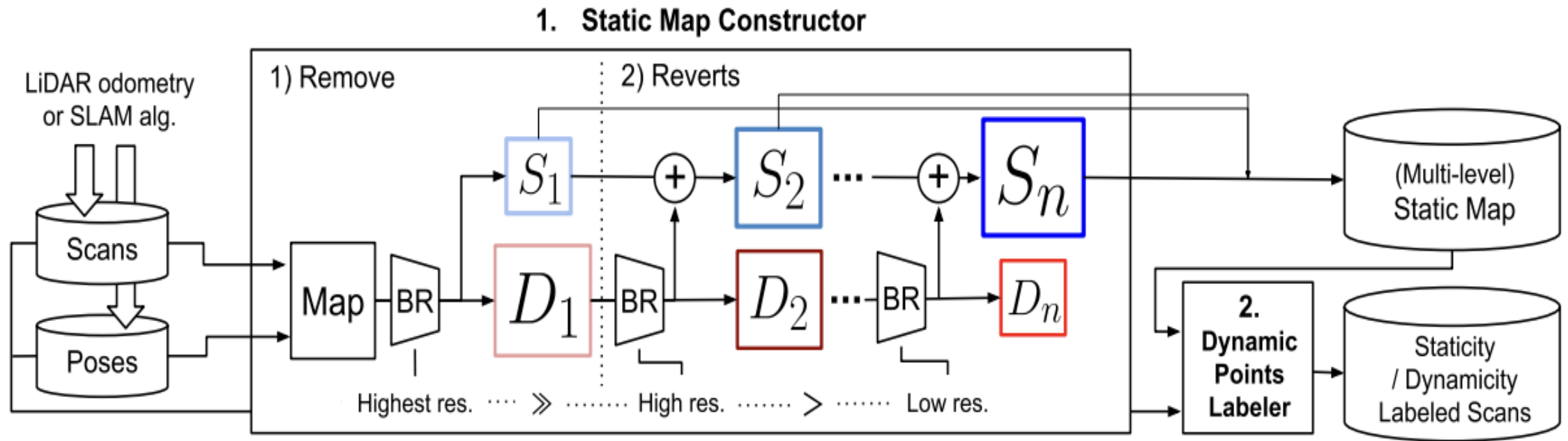
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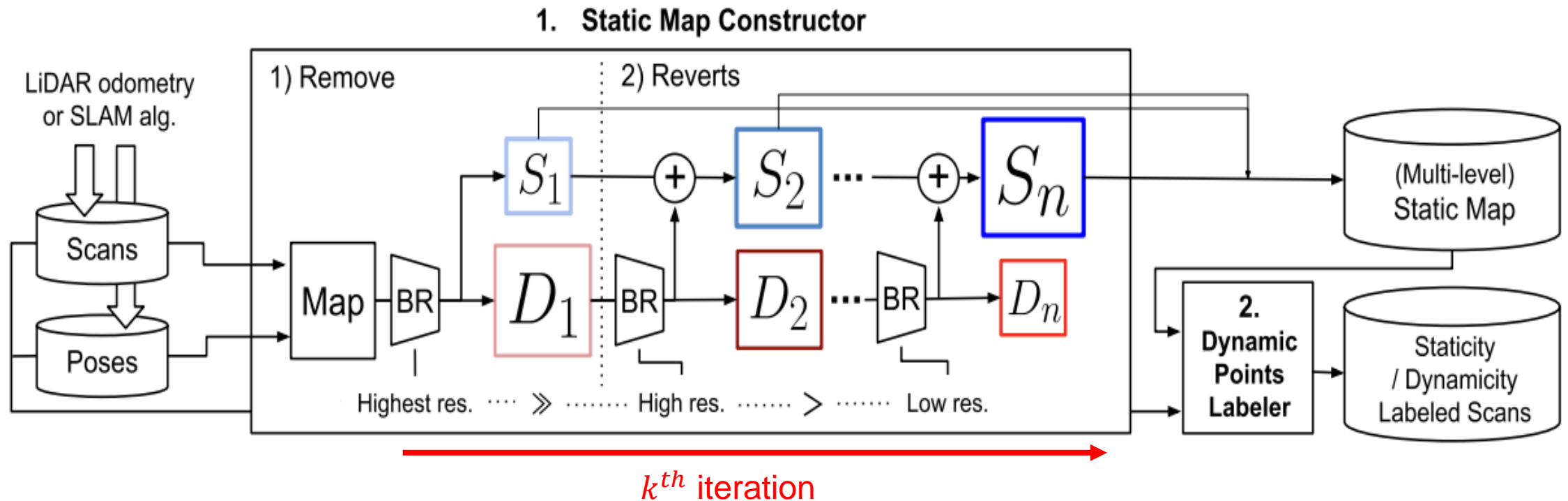
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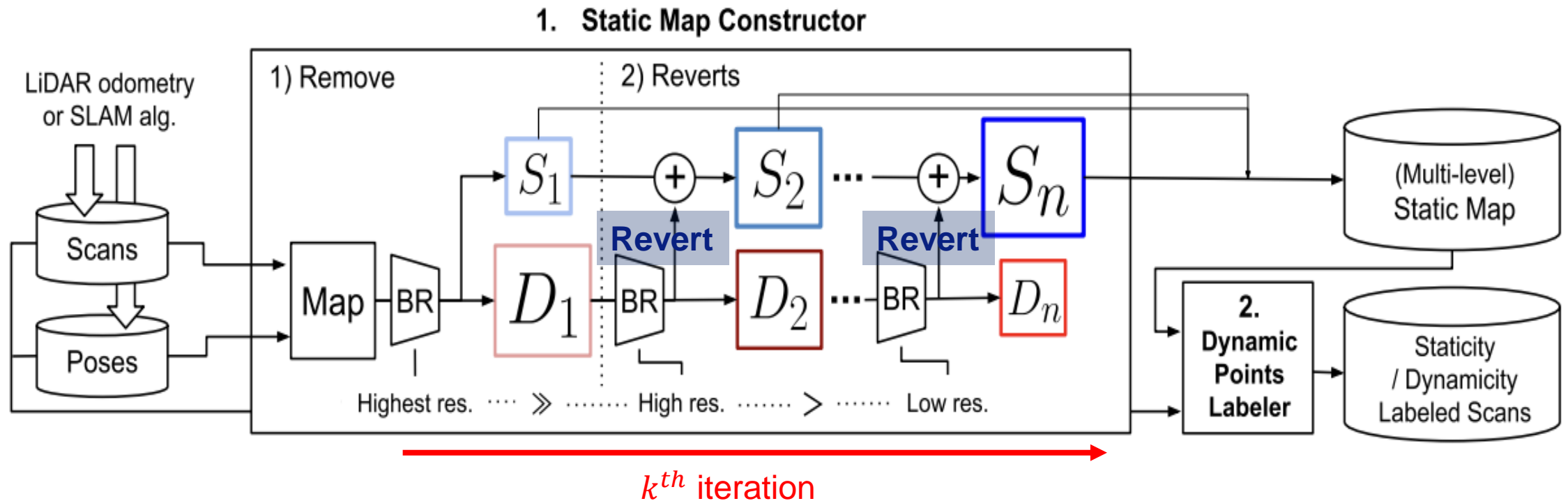
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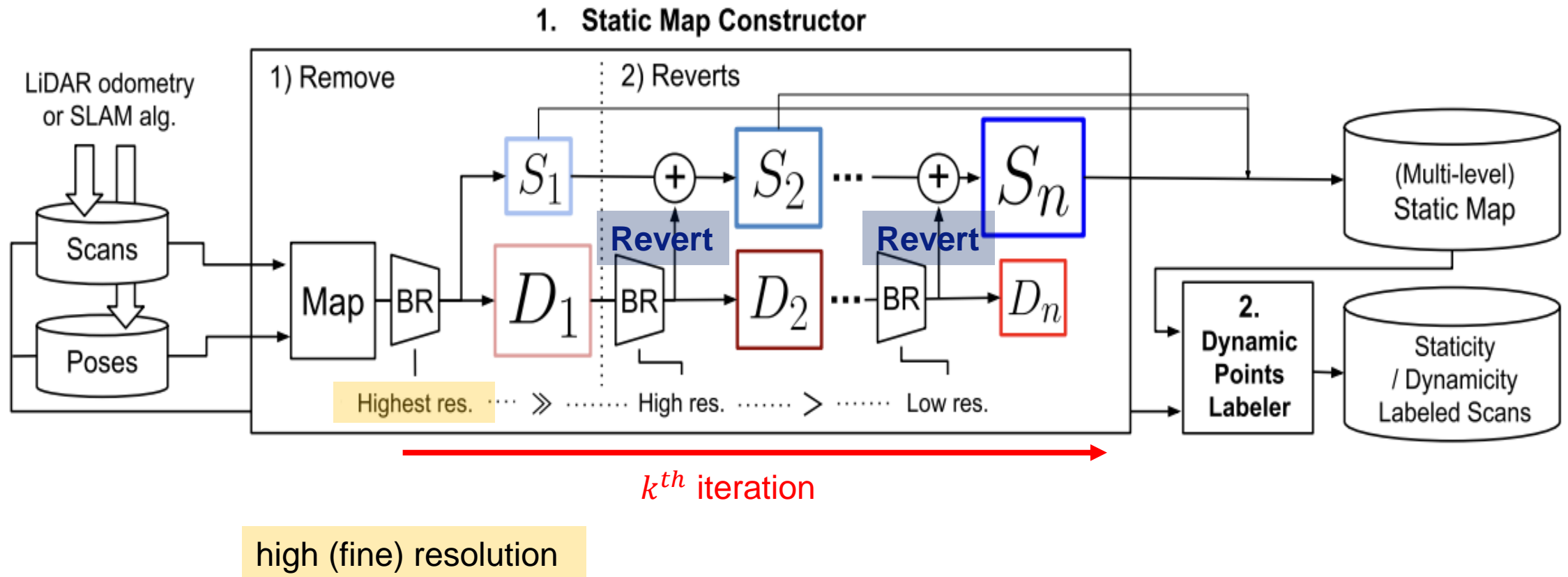
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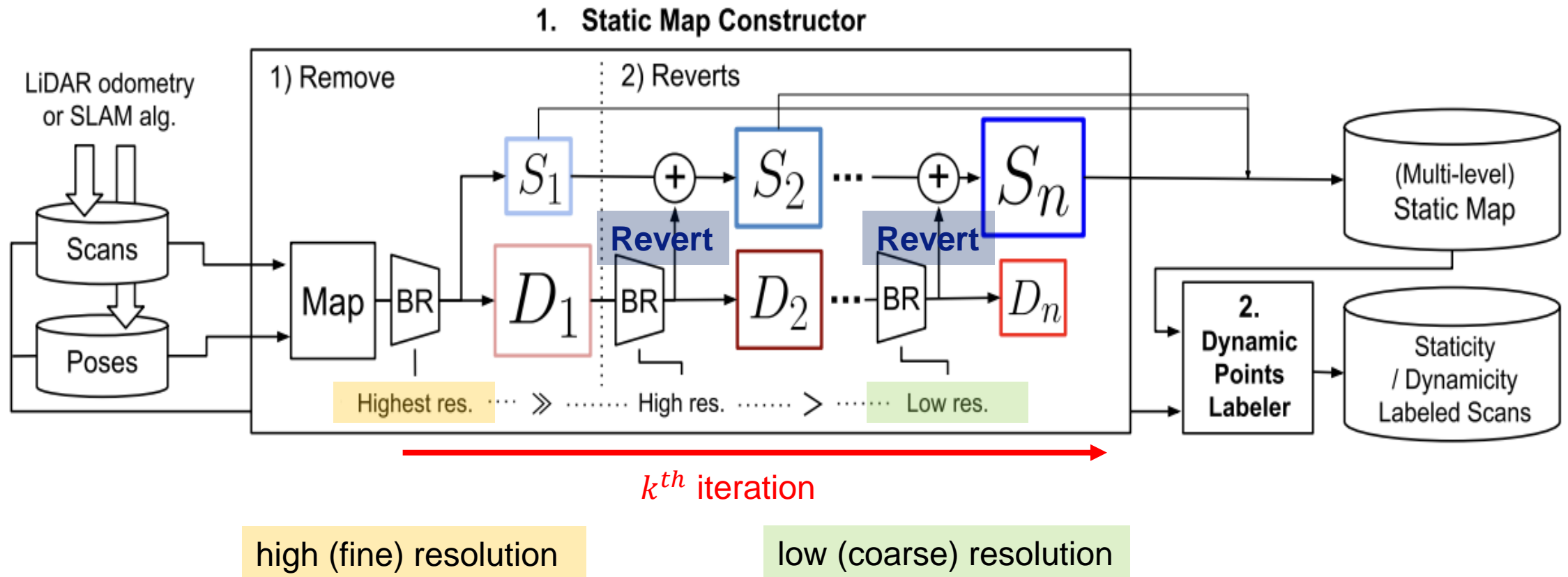
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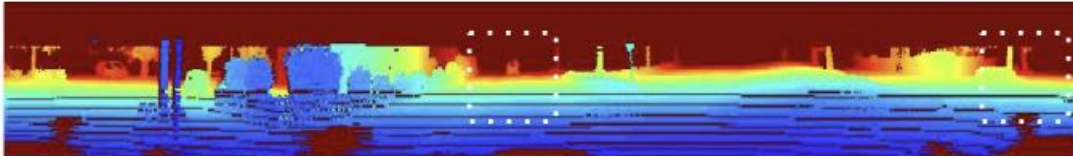
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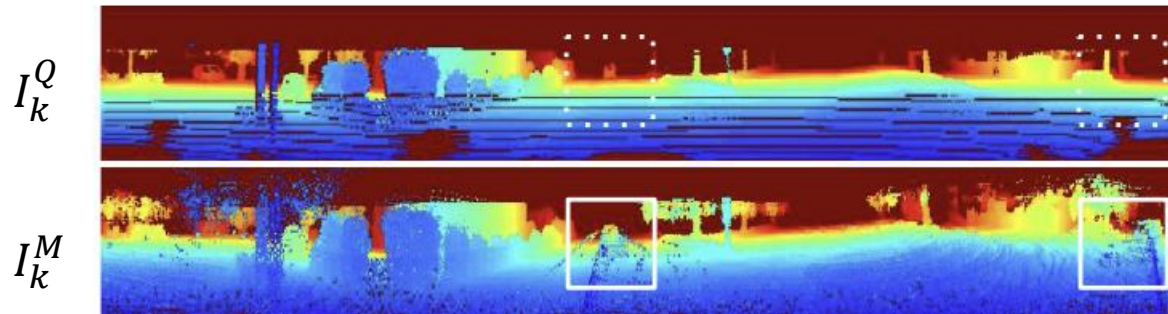
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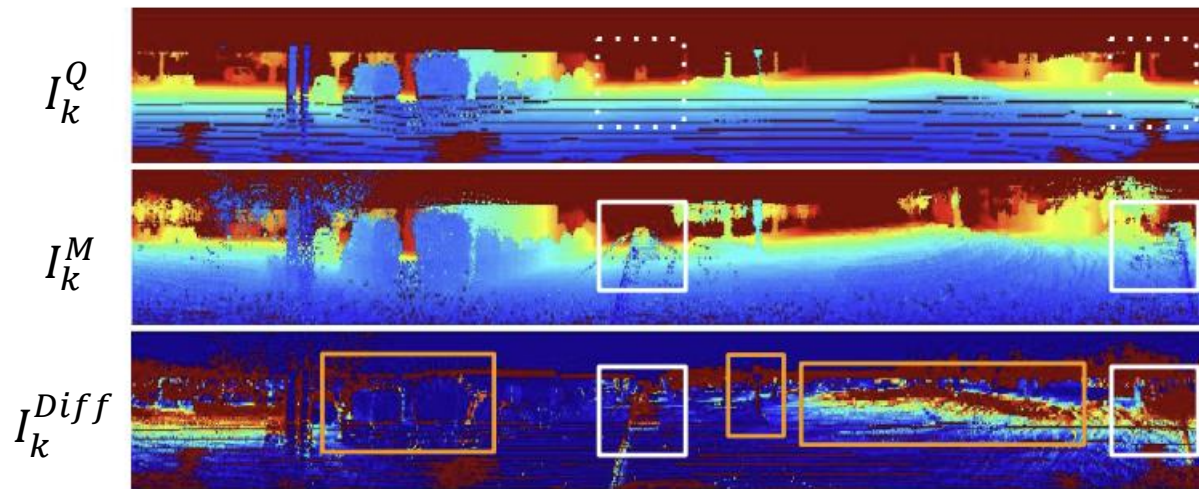
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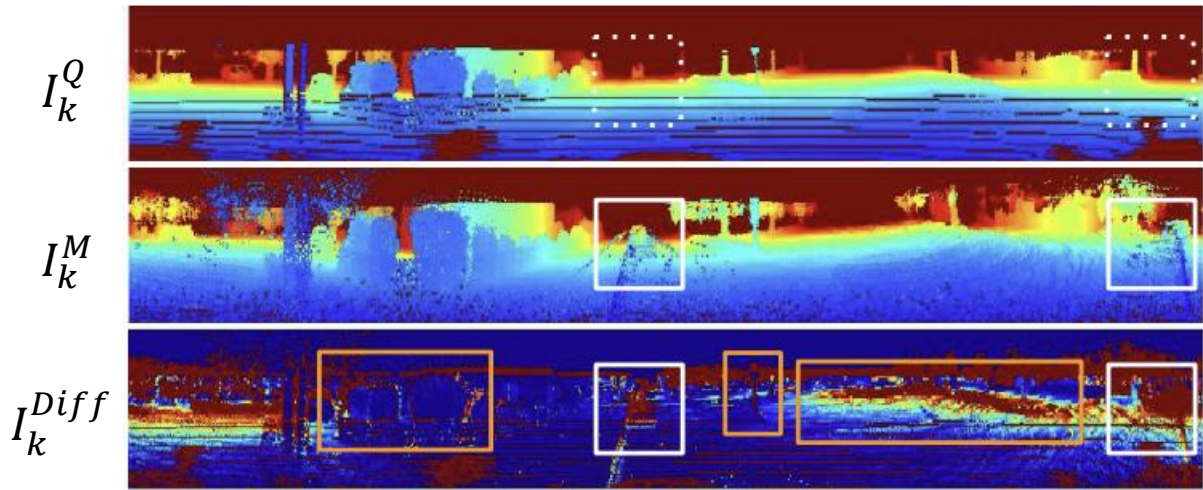
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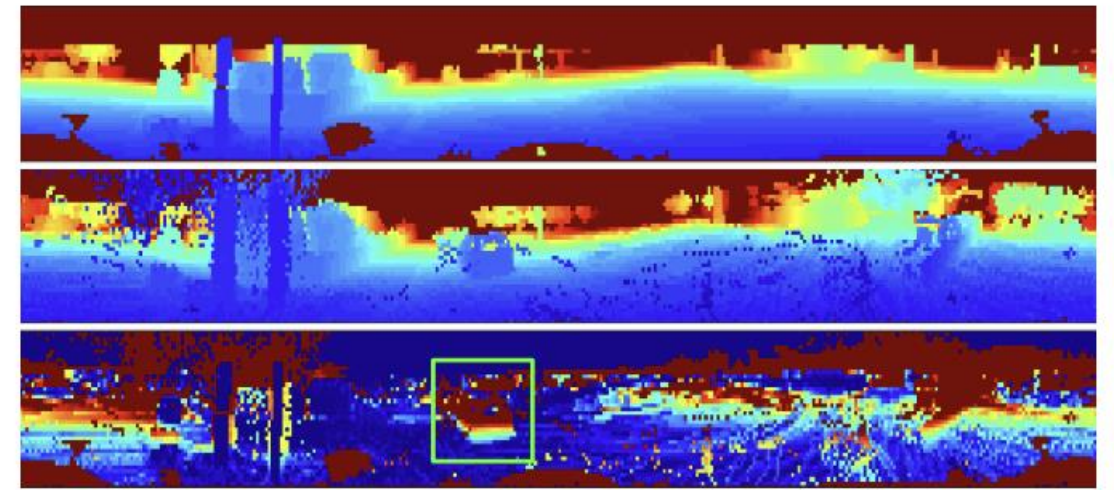
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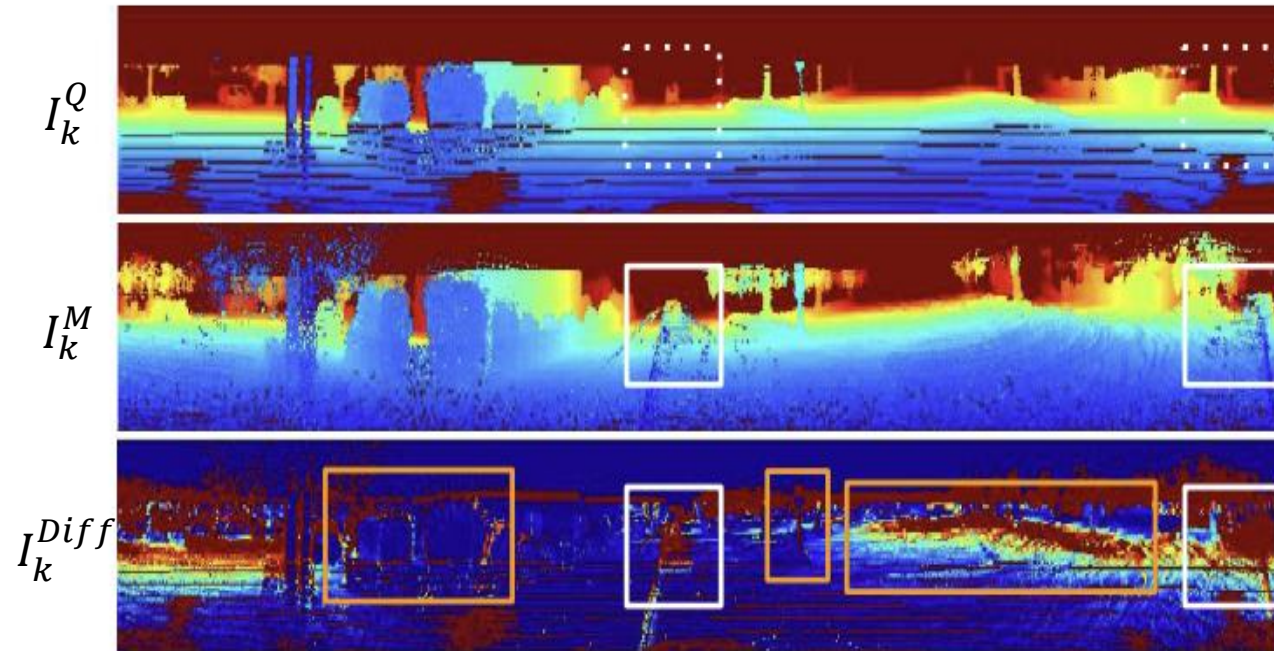
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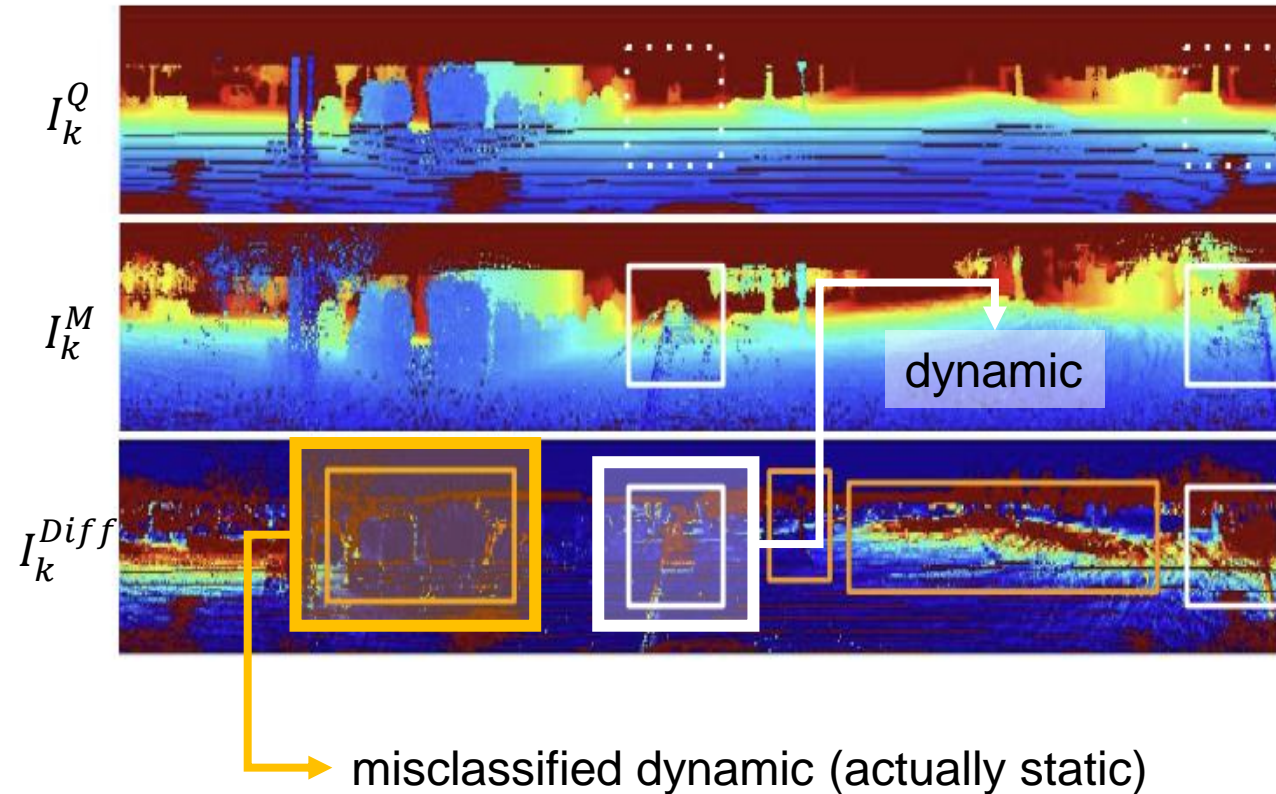
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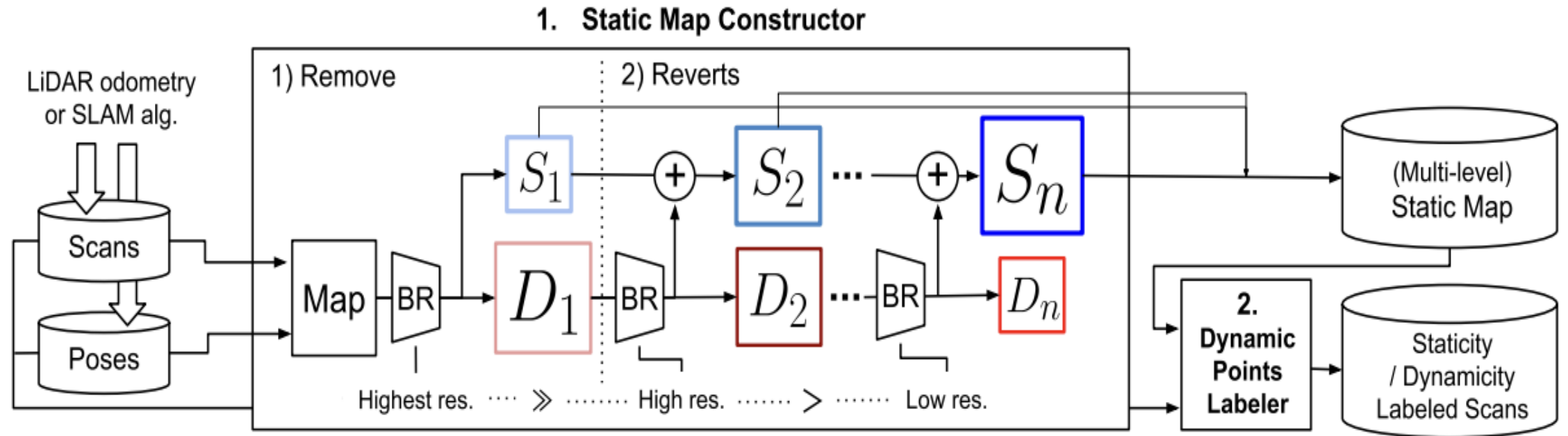
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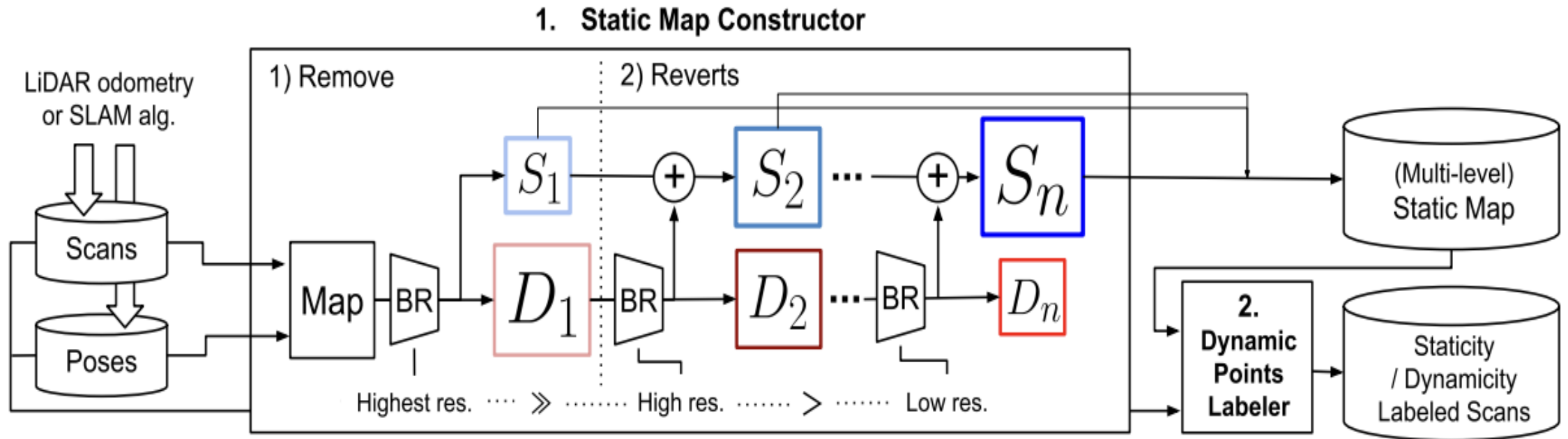
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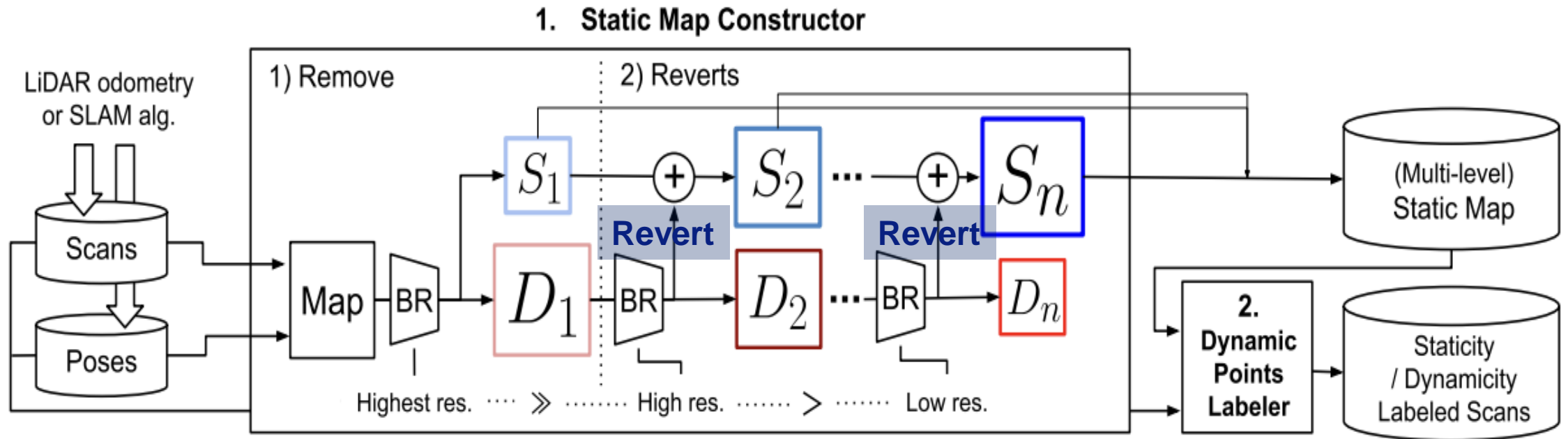
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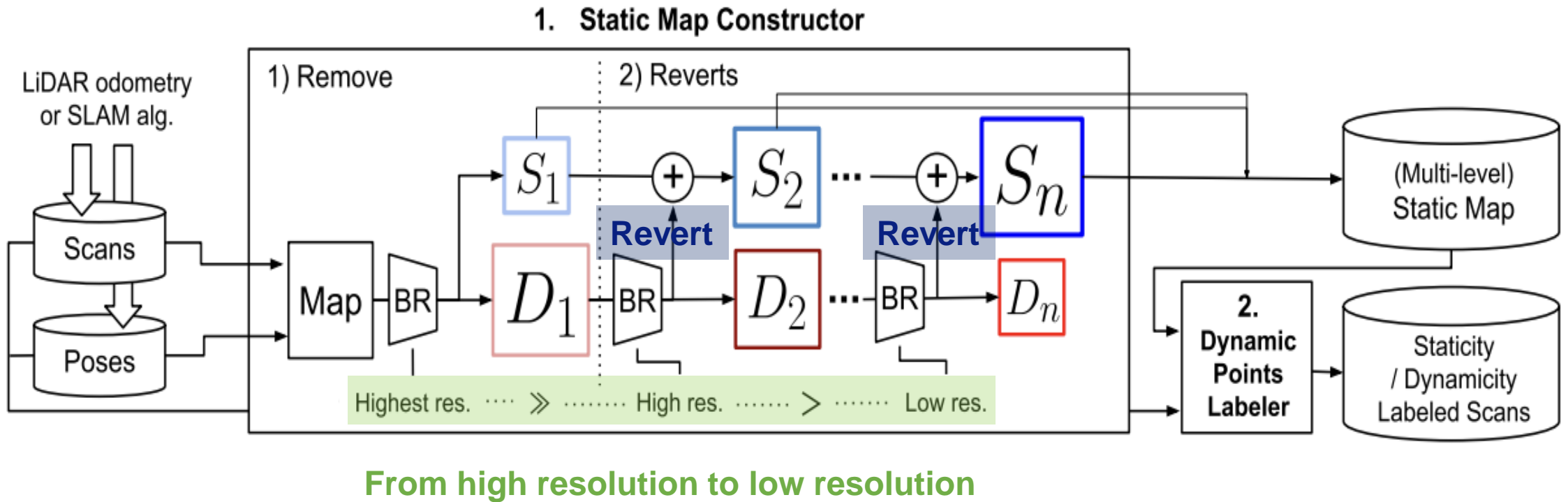
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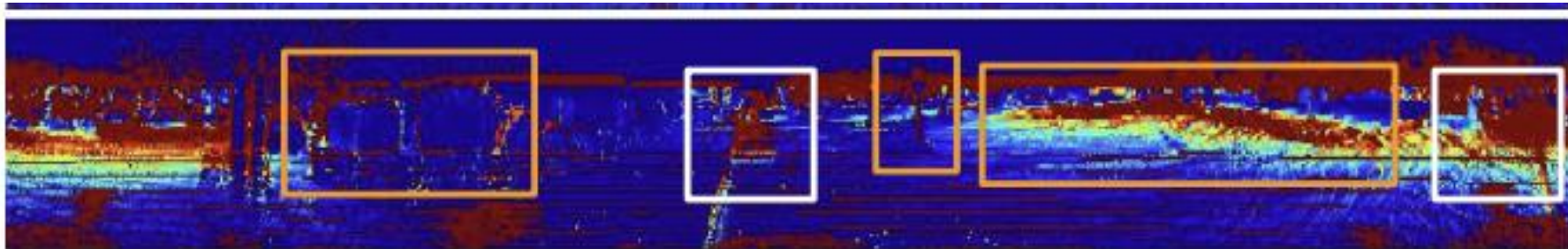
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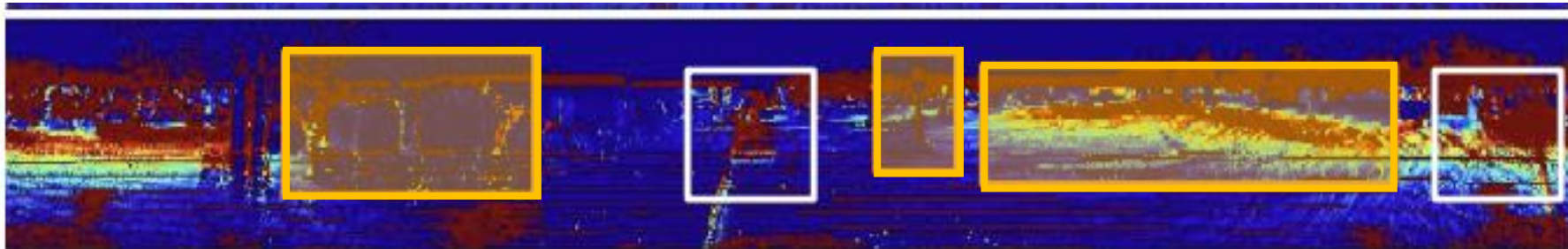
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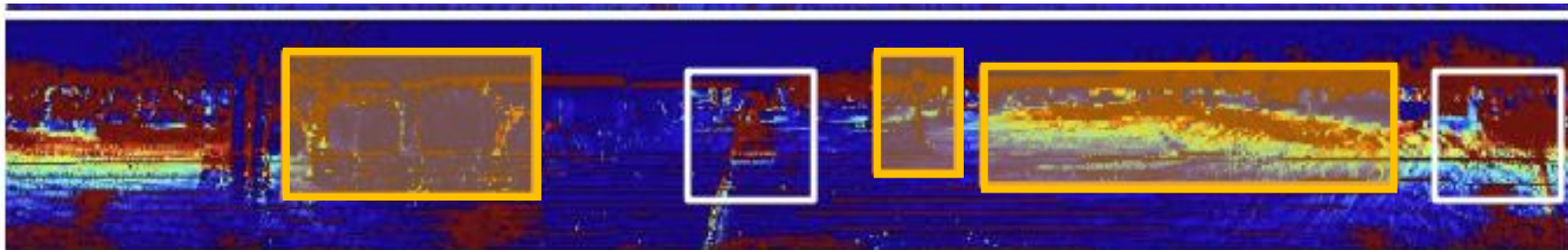
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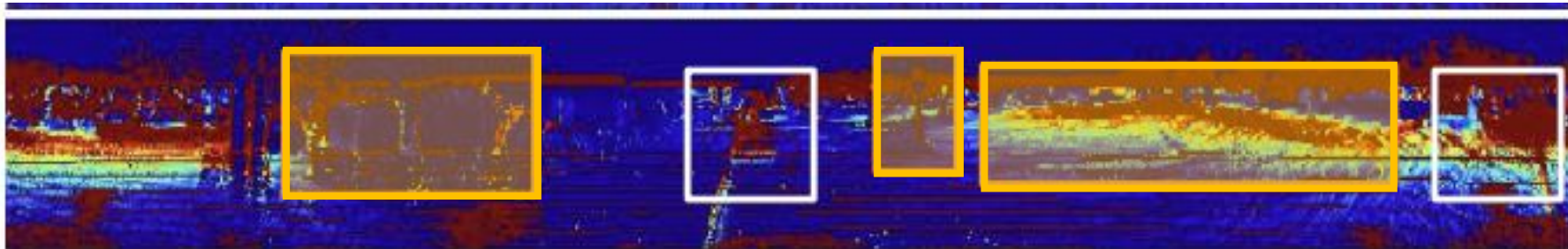
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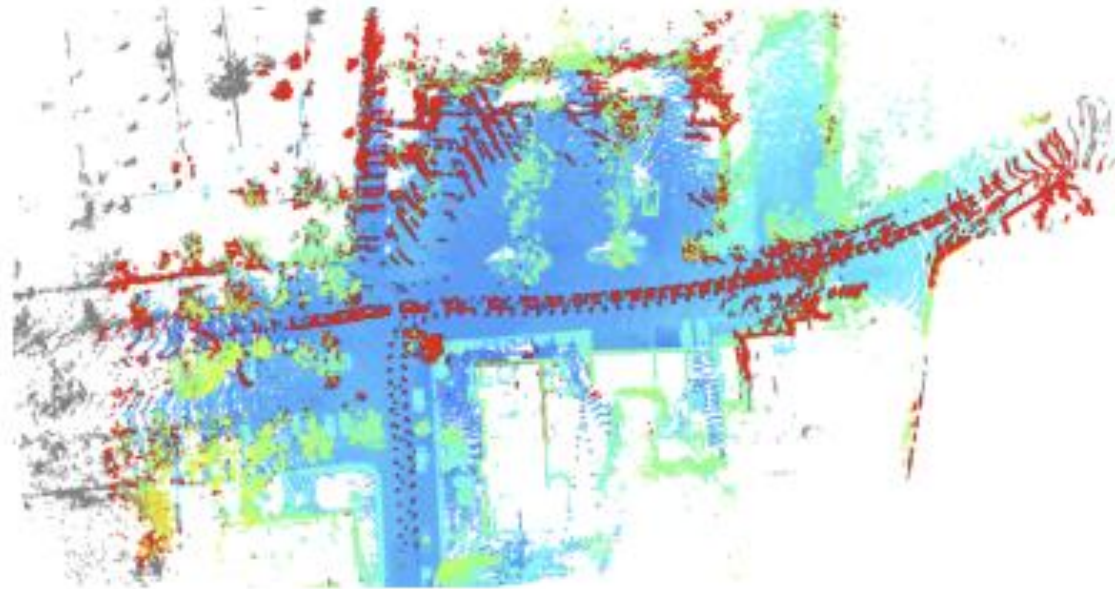
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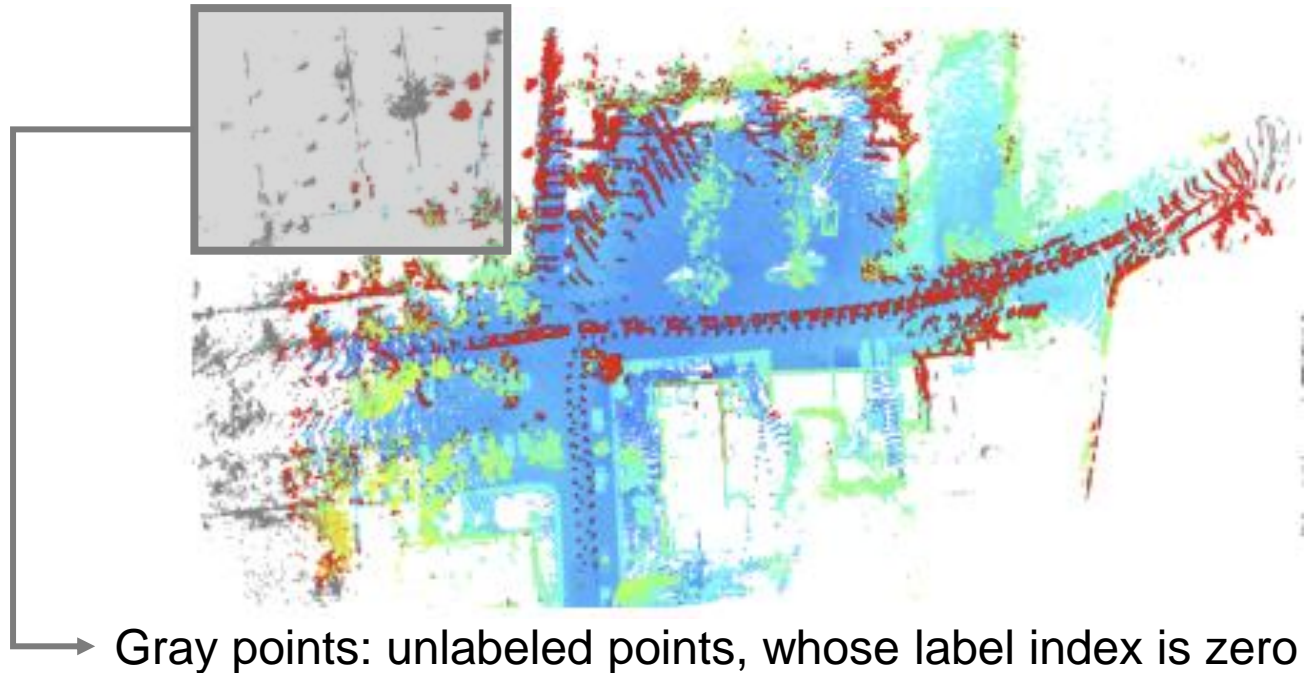
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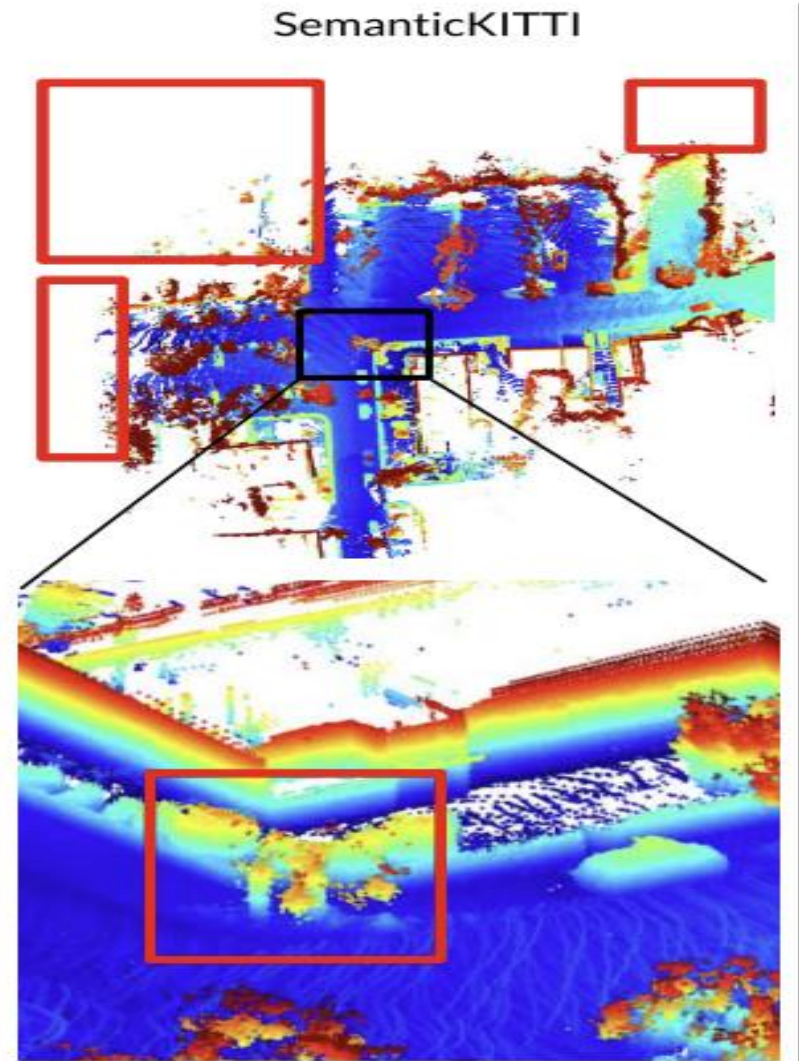
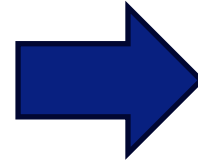
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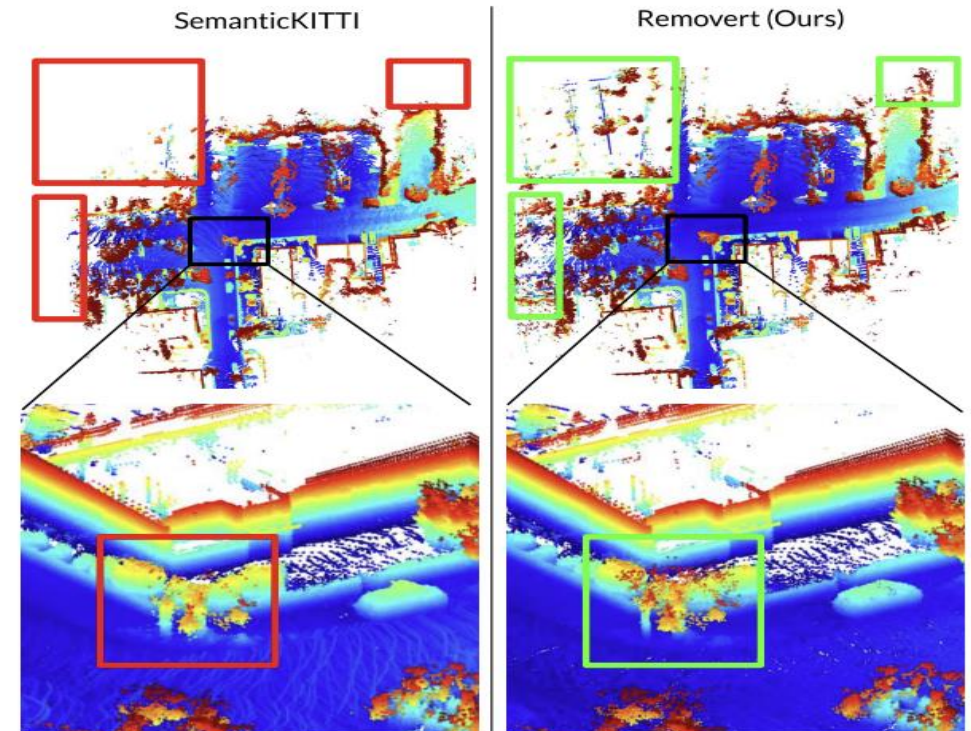
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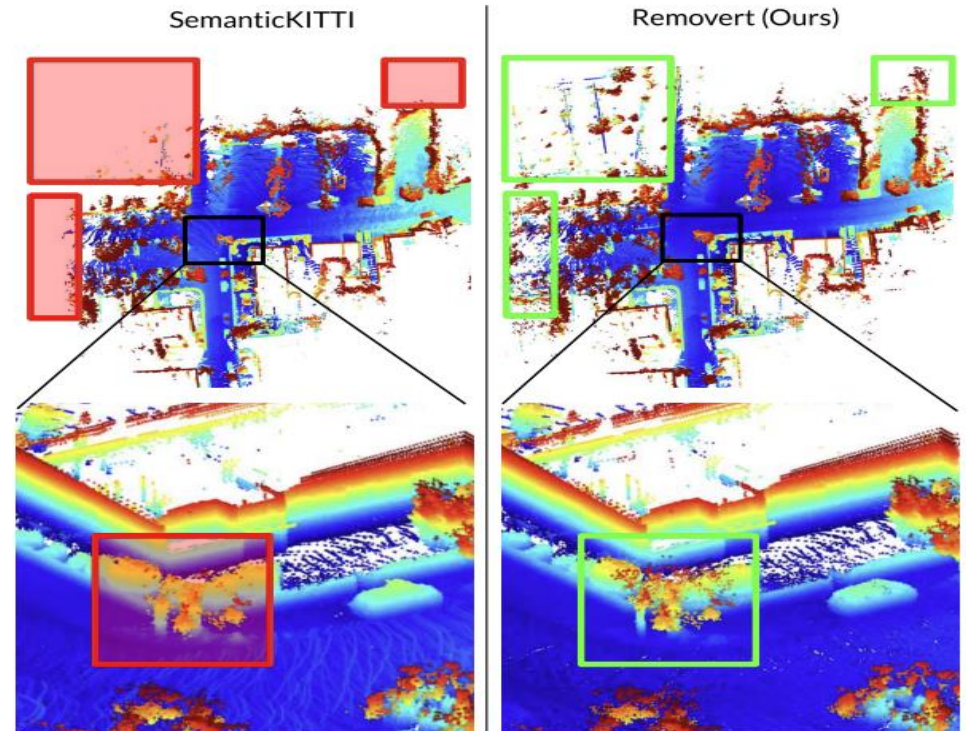
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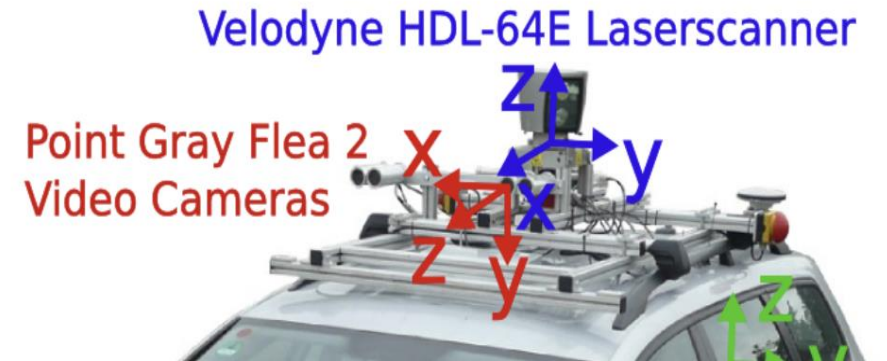


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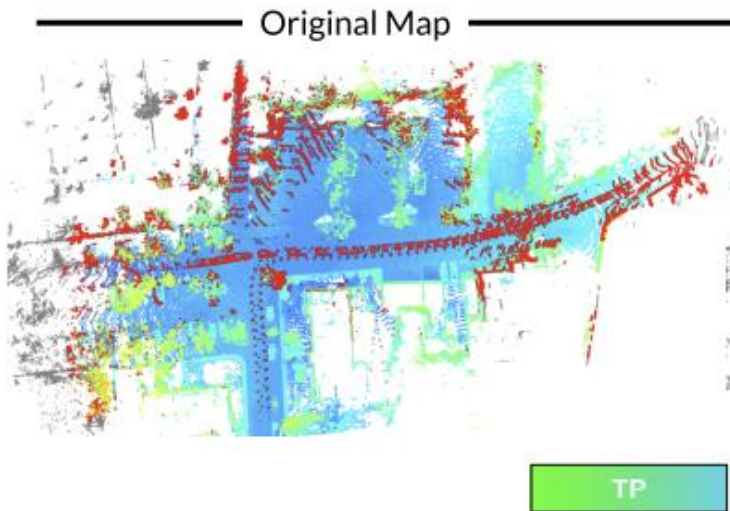
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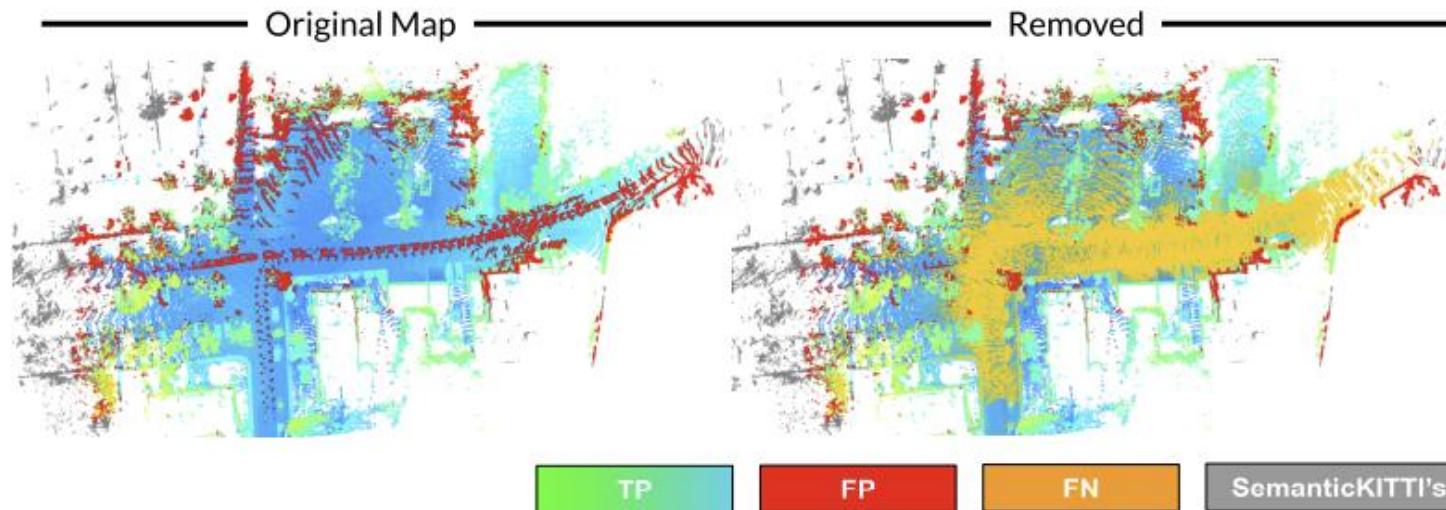
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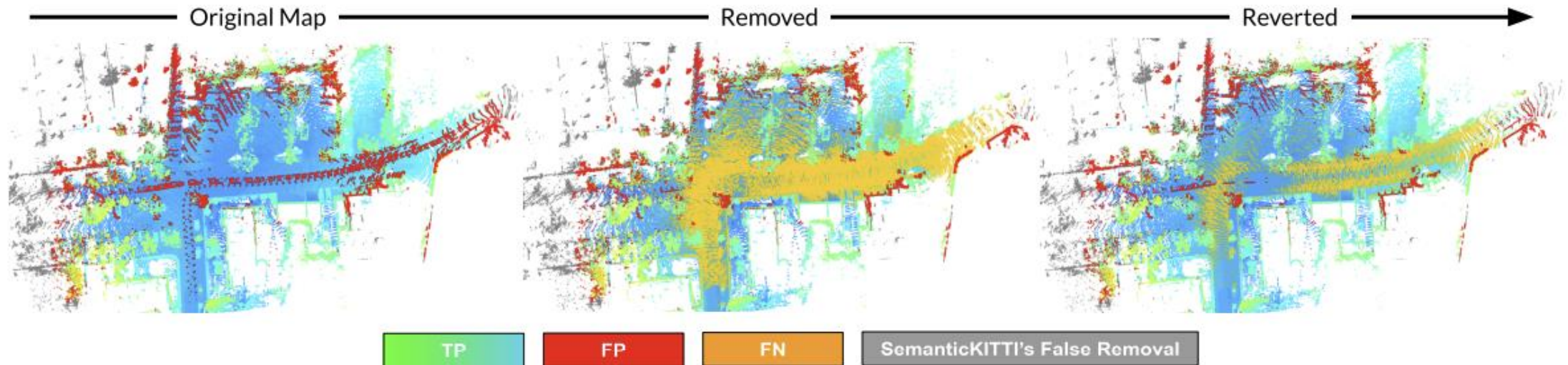
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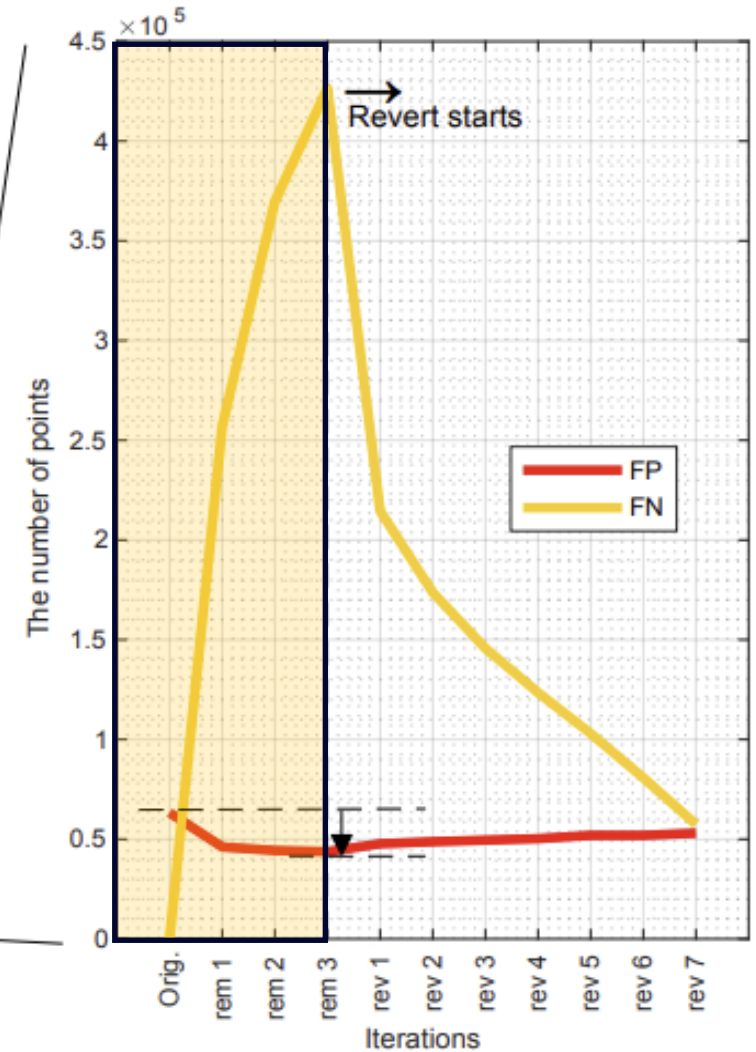
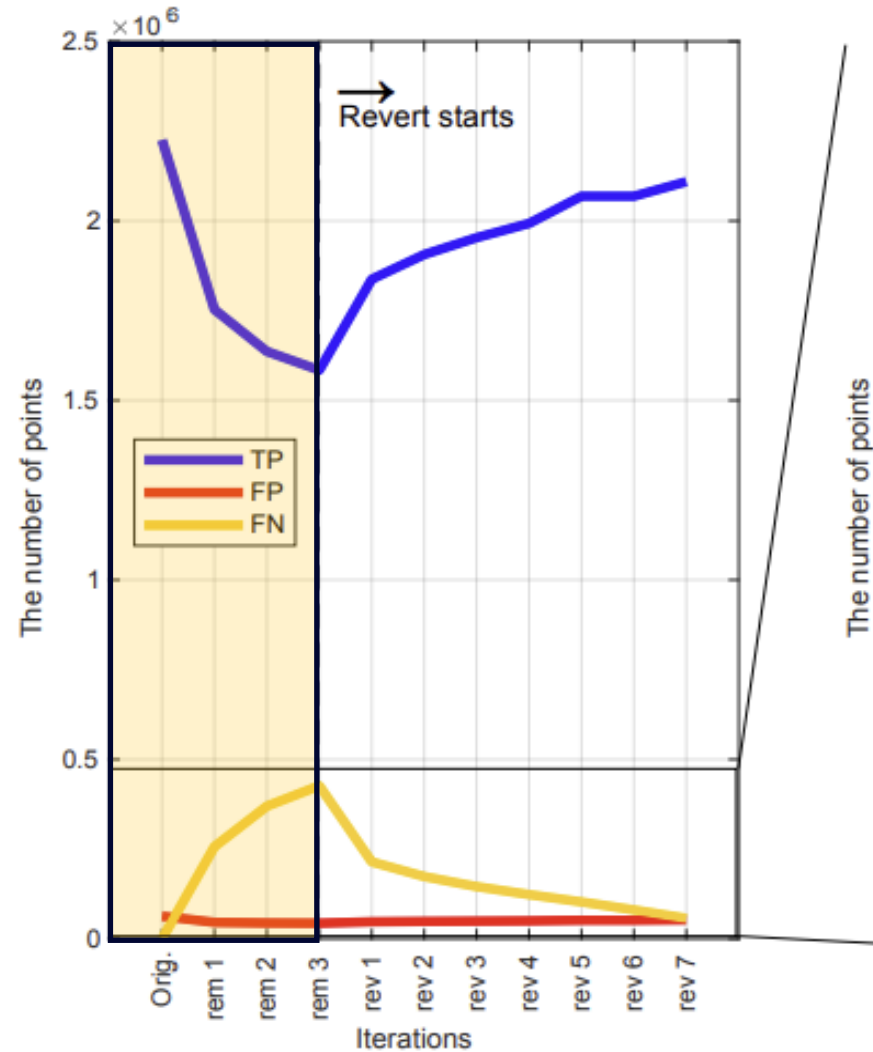
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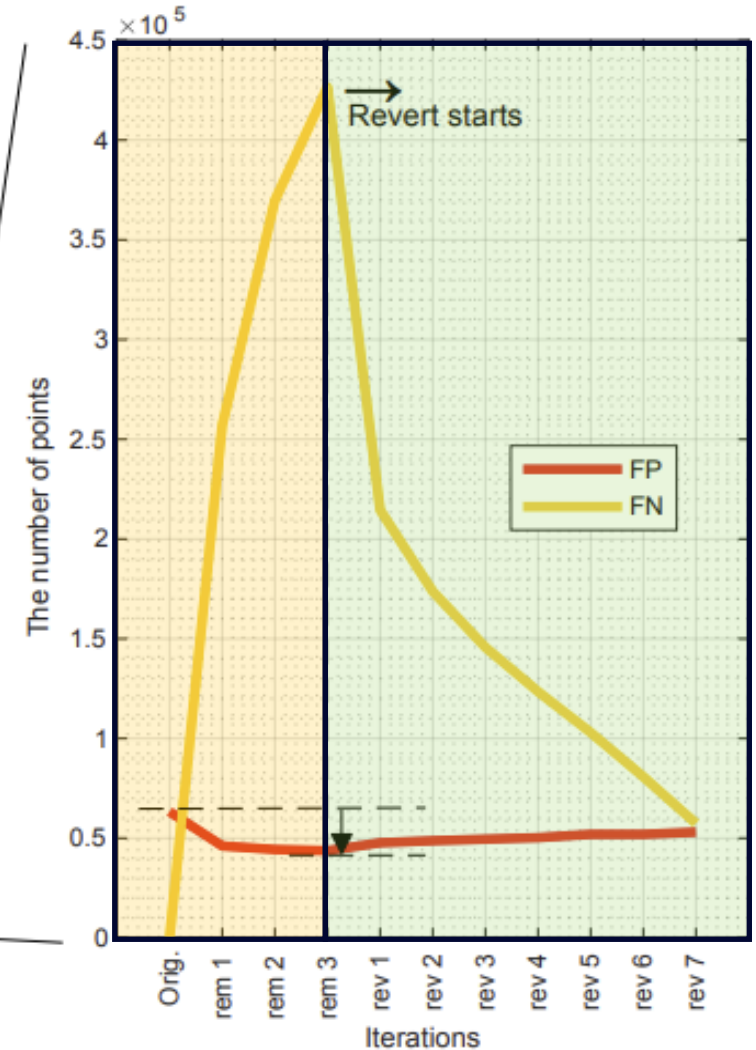
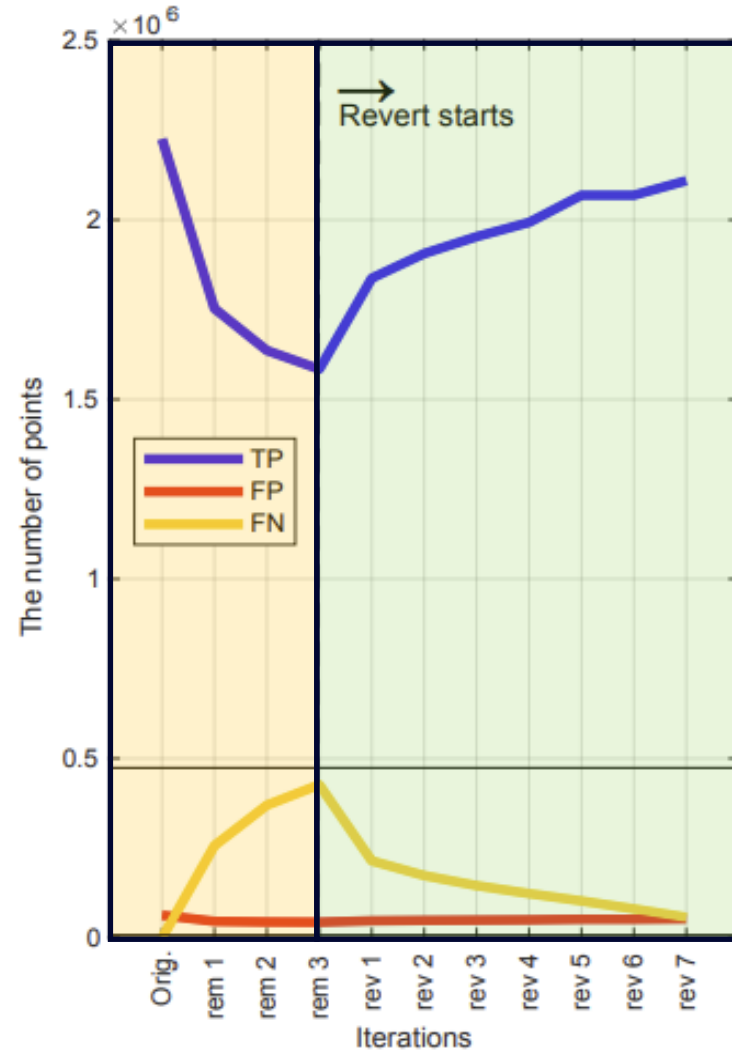
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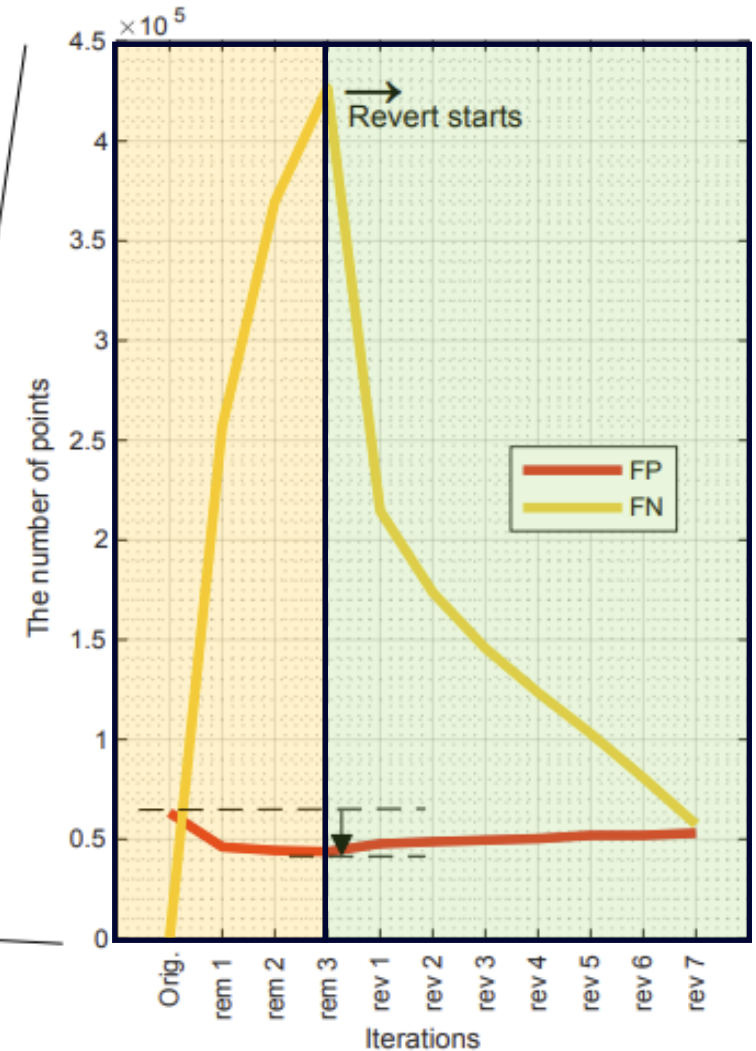
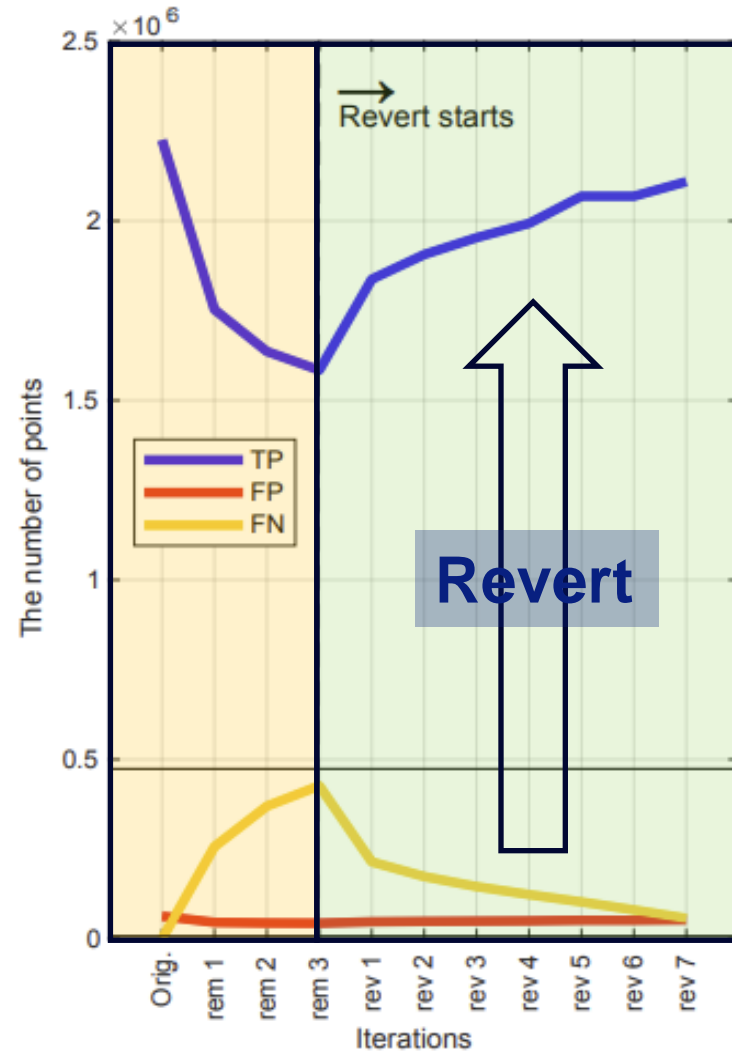
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Q&A

Appendix

B. Range image-based map comparison

- During the projection, they use a range image of particular resolution
 - ex) a single pixel represents 1° for both horizontal and vertical FOV
- They call this FOV-restricted and sampled map point cloud a “*visible map point cloud*” (P_k^M)
- A visible map point cloud P_k^M is defined as its equivalent range image $I_k^M = (I_{k,ij}^M) \in R^{m \times n}$
 - m, n : number of pixels

$$I_{k,ij}^M = \min_{p \in P_{ij}^M} r(p) \quad (r(\cdot): \text{a range of a point } p \in R^3)$$

$$P_k^M = \{p_{k,ij}^M = \operatorname{argmin}_{p \in P_{ij}^M} r(p)\}$$