

CS 4803 / 7643: Deep Learning

Topics: RL and Robotics

- Embodied AI
- Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO)
- Application: Robotics
 - PointGoal Navigation

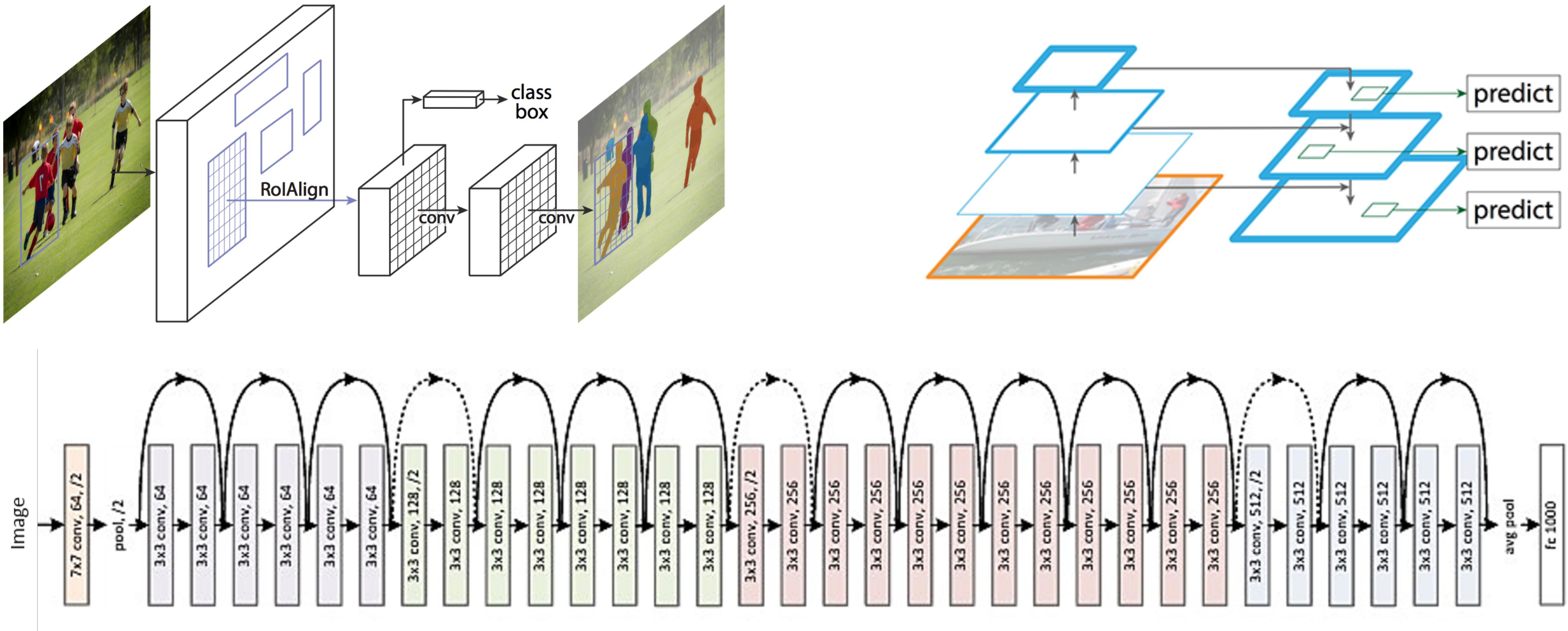
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Lecture Plan

- Embodied AI
- Introduce more advanced RL – Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO)
- Application: Robotics
 - PointGoal Navigation: Combine CNNs, RNNs (LSTMs), and RL together

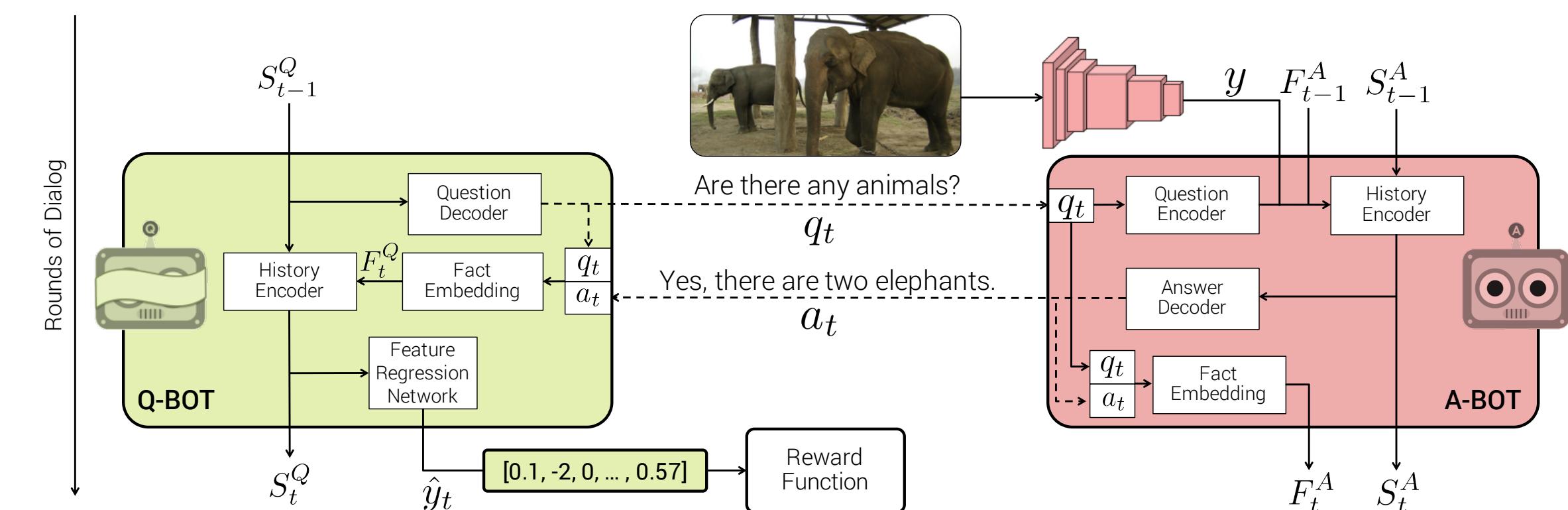
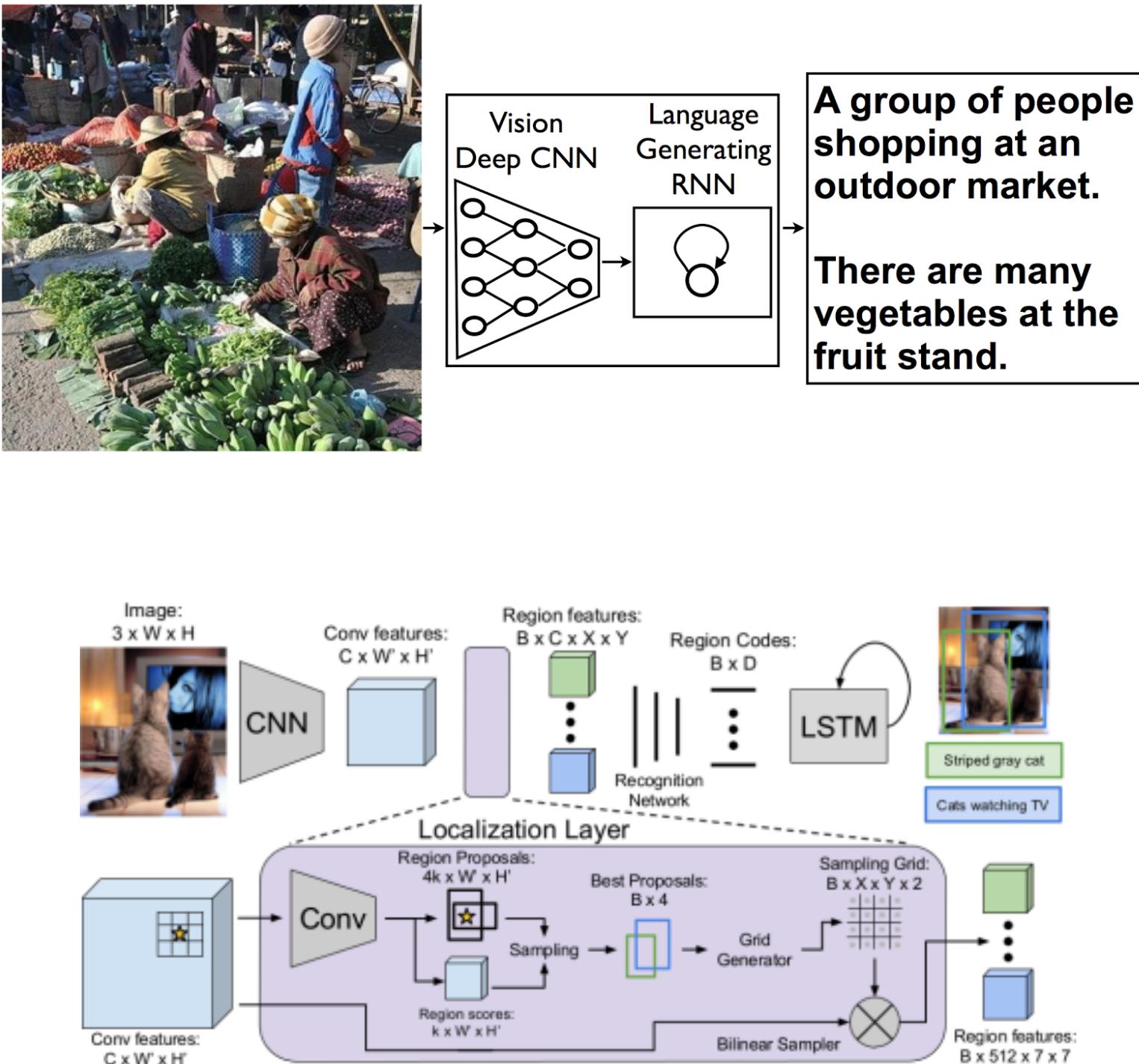
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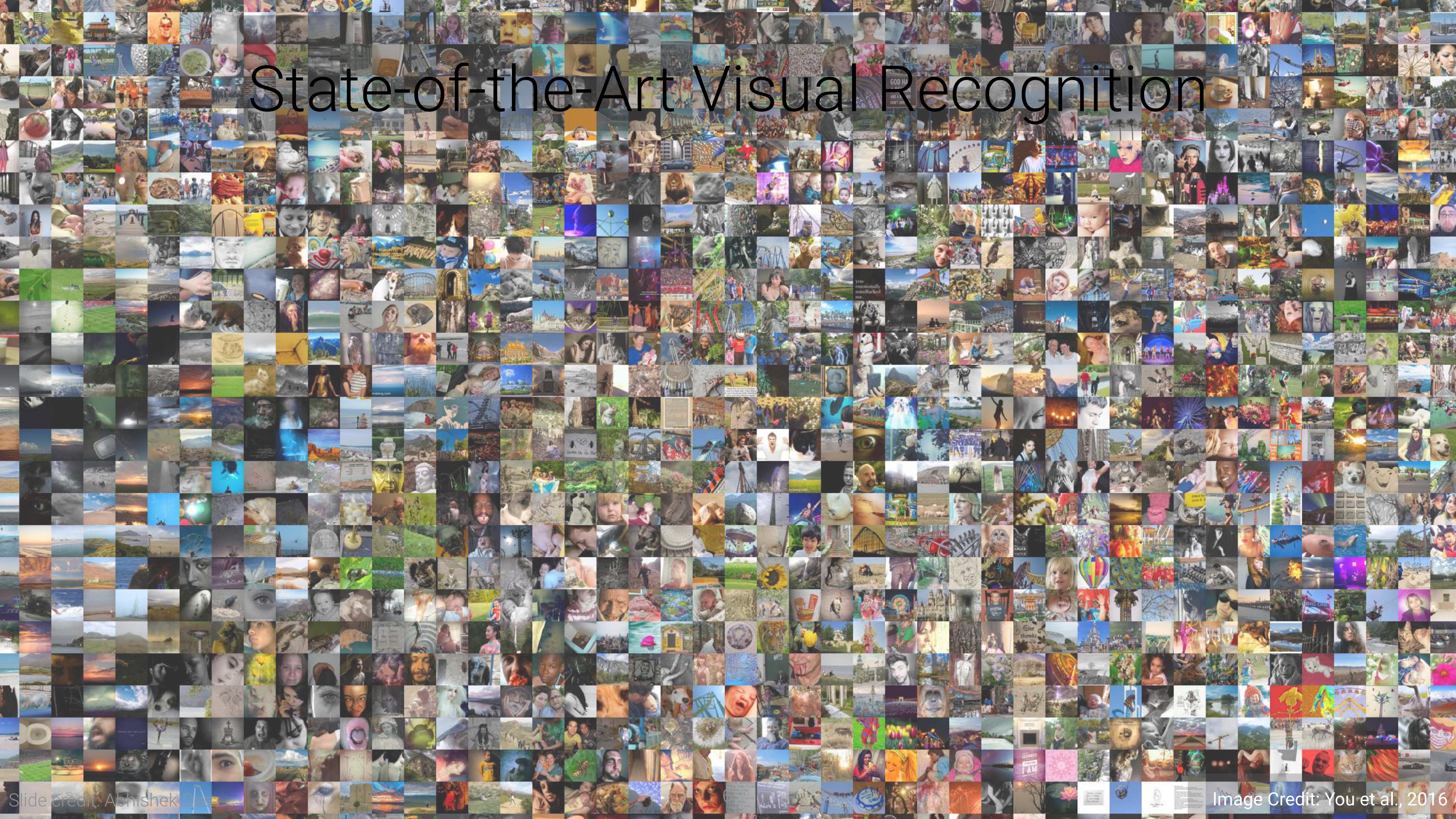


He et al., 2016a, b
He et al., 2017
Lin et al., 2017

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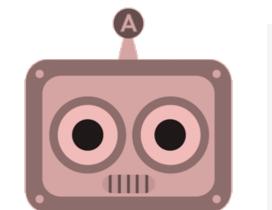


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Physical agent capable of taking actions in the world and talking to humans in natural language

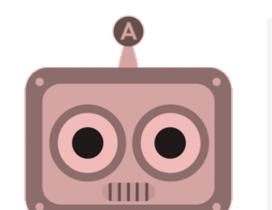


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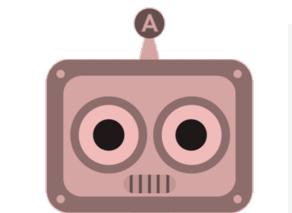


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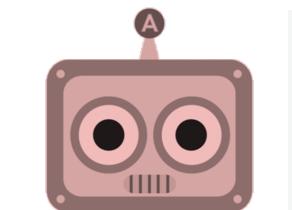


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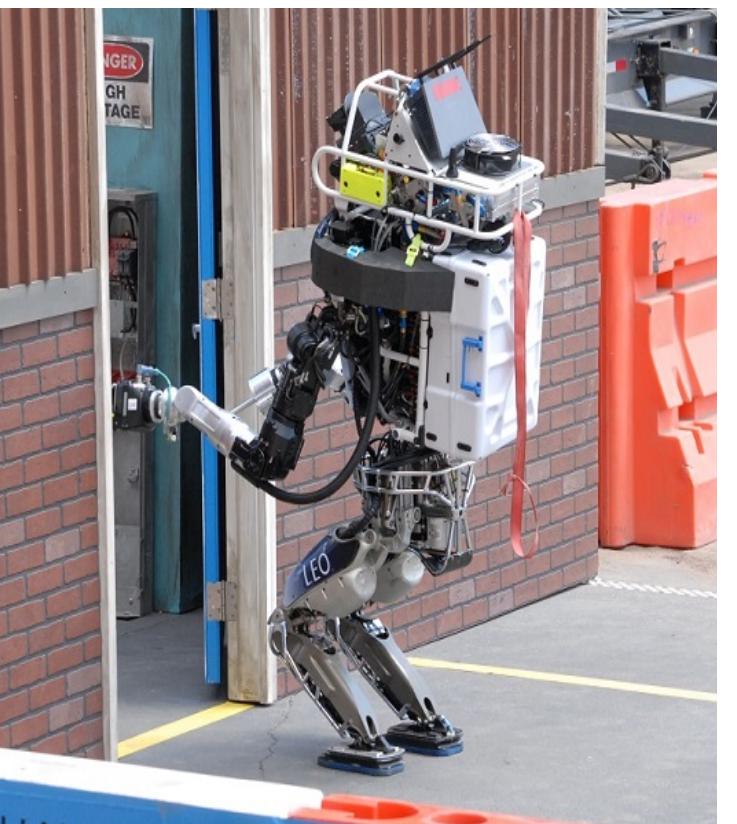
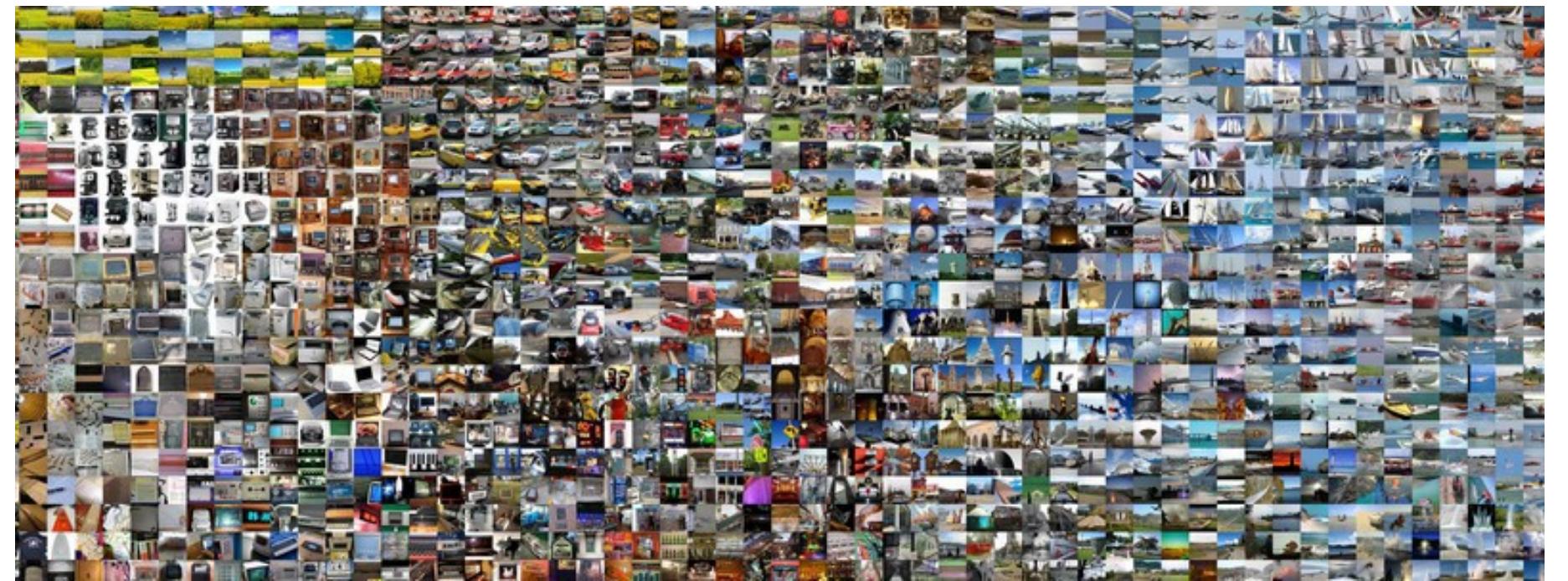
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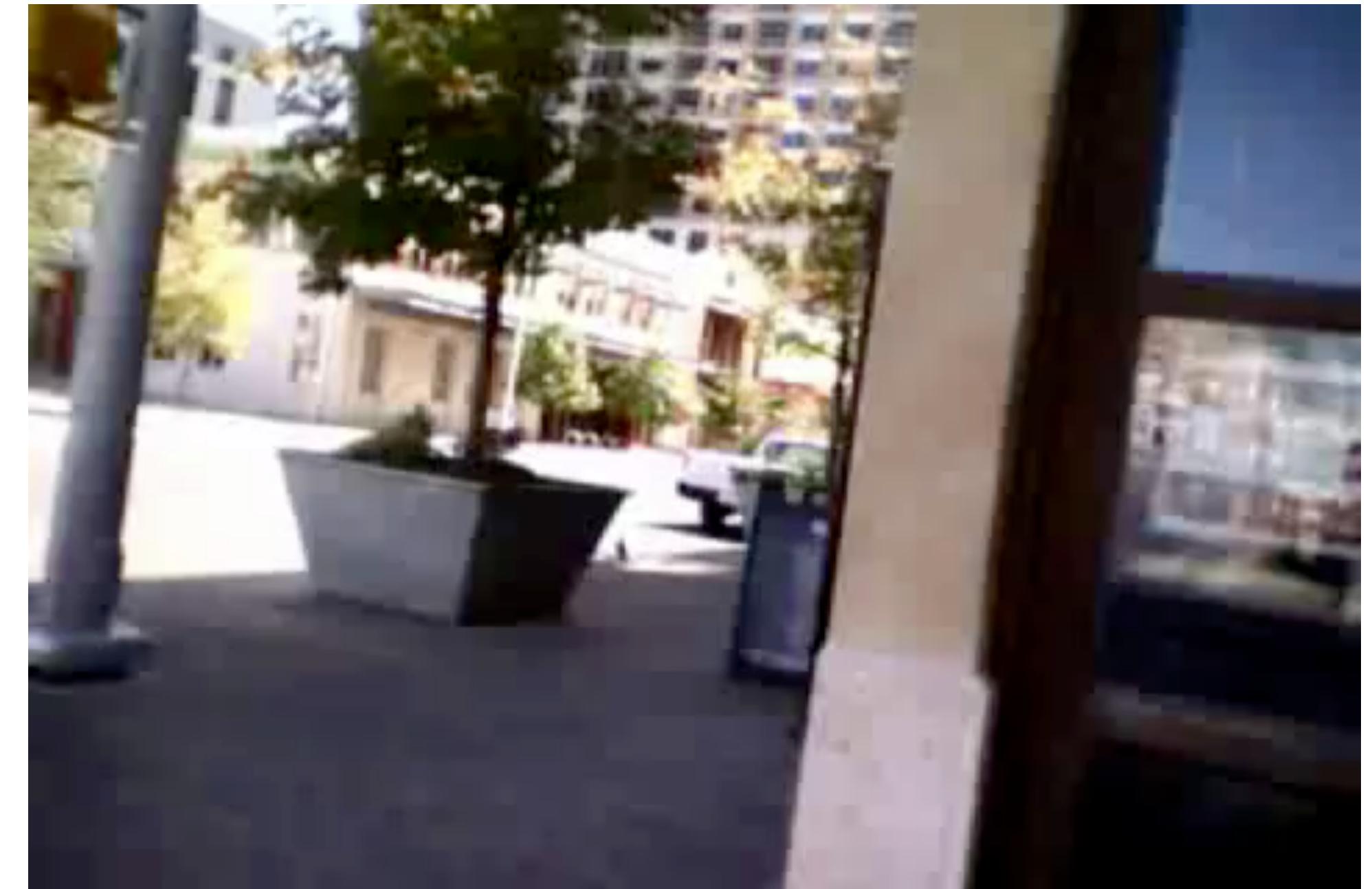
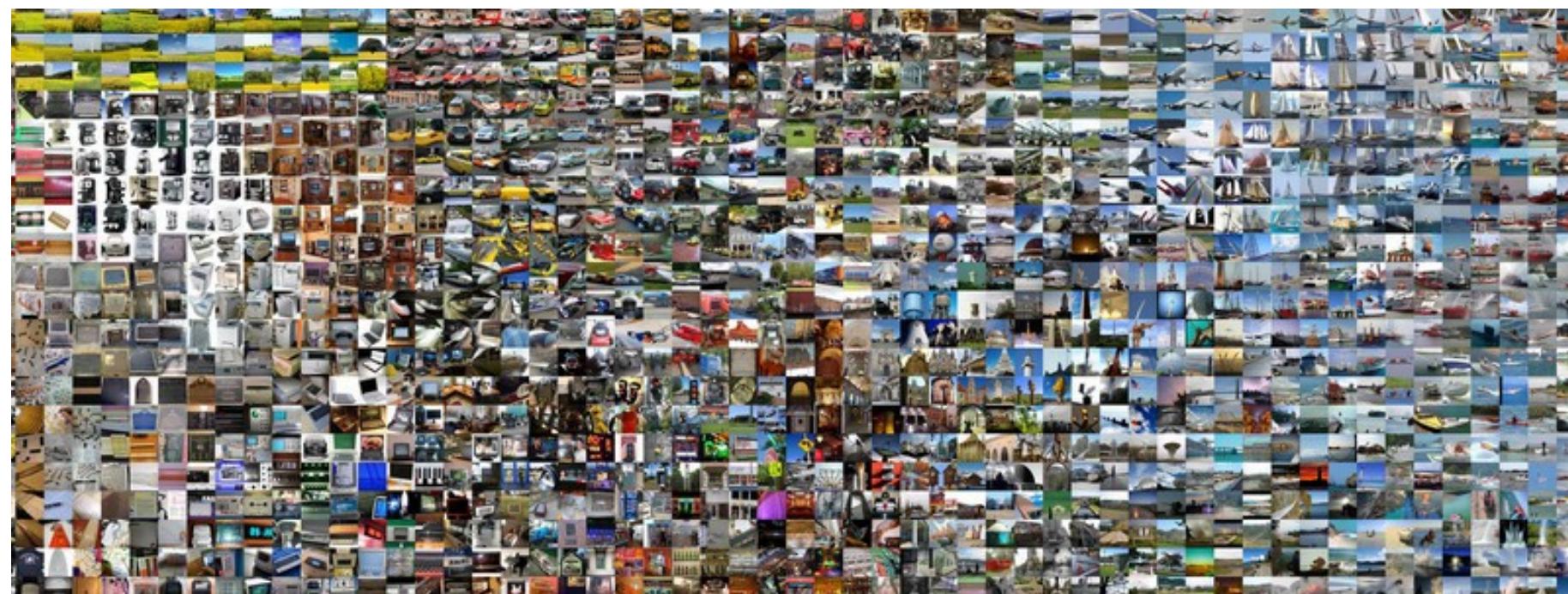
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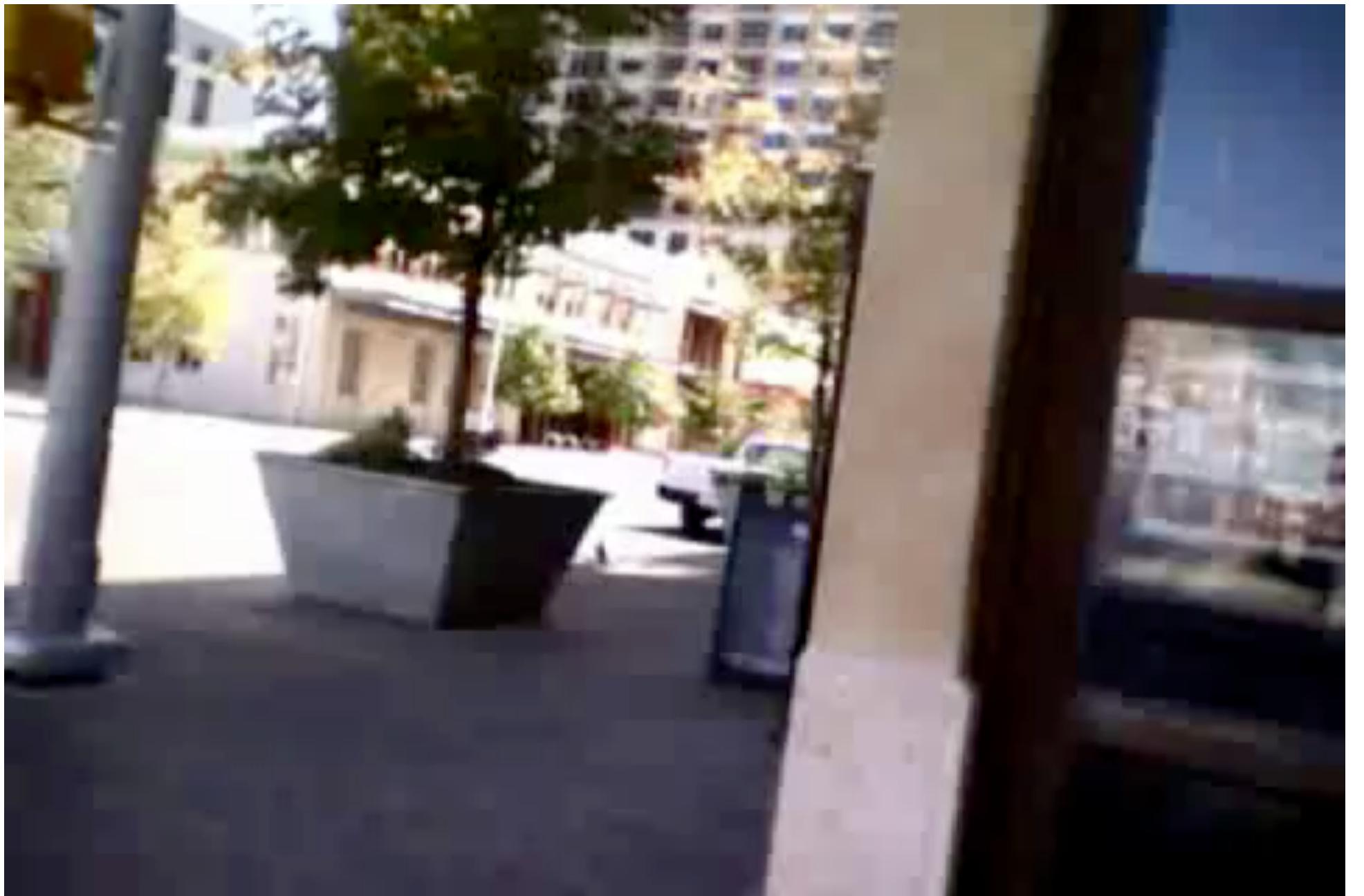
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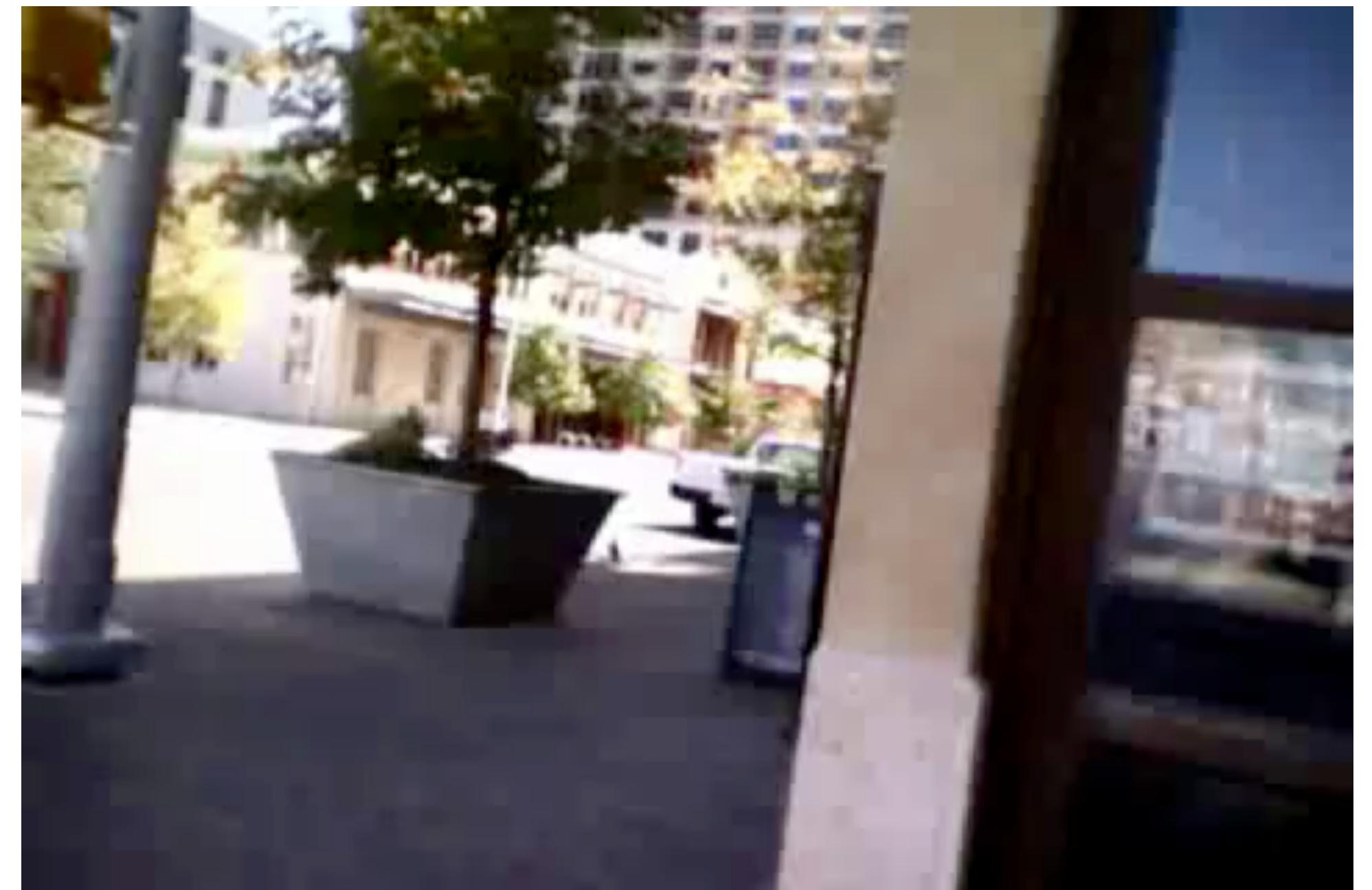
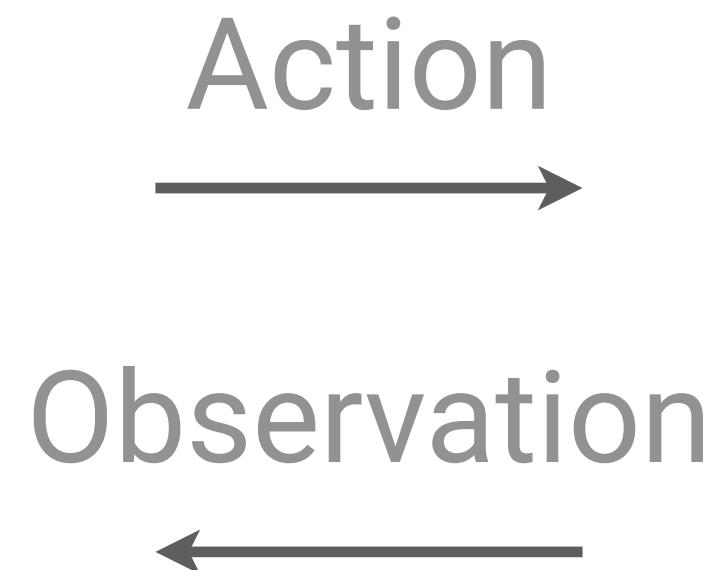
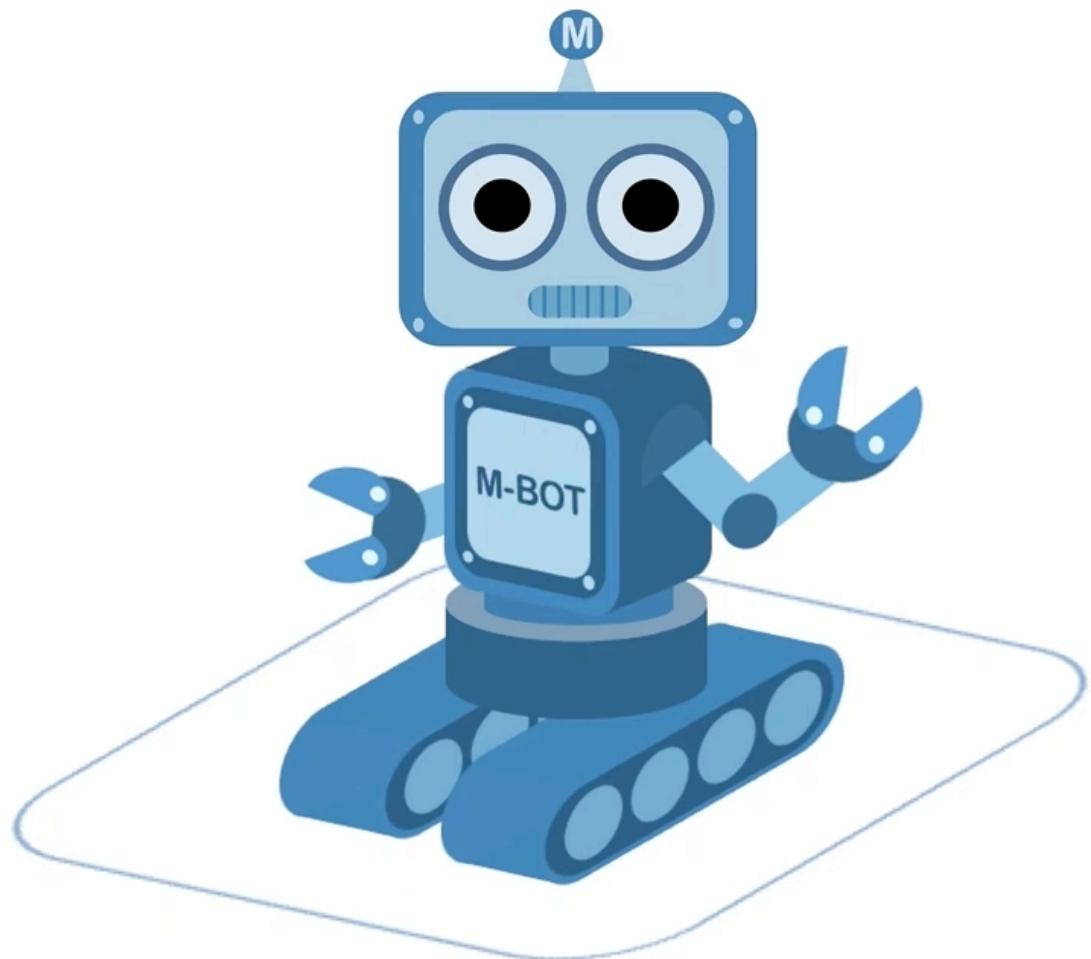
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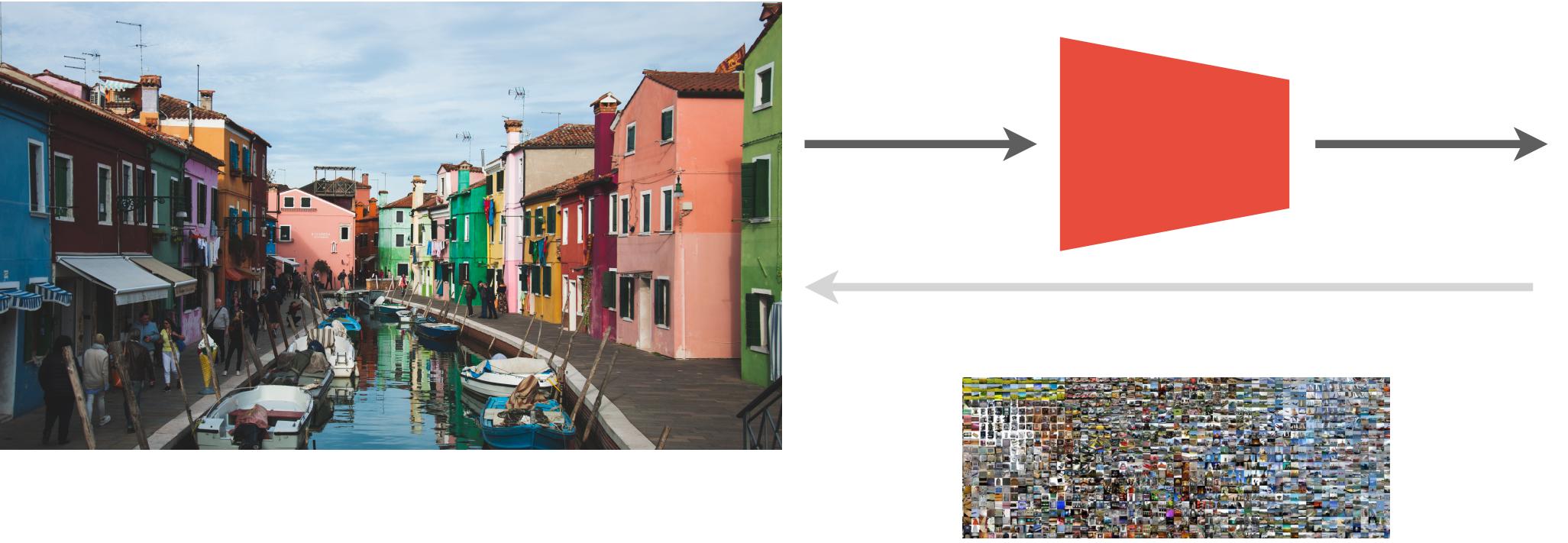
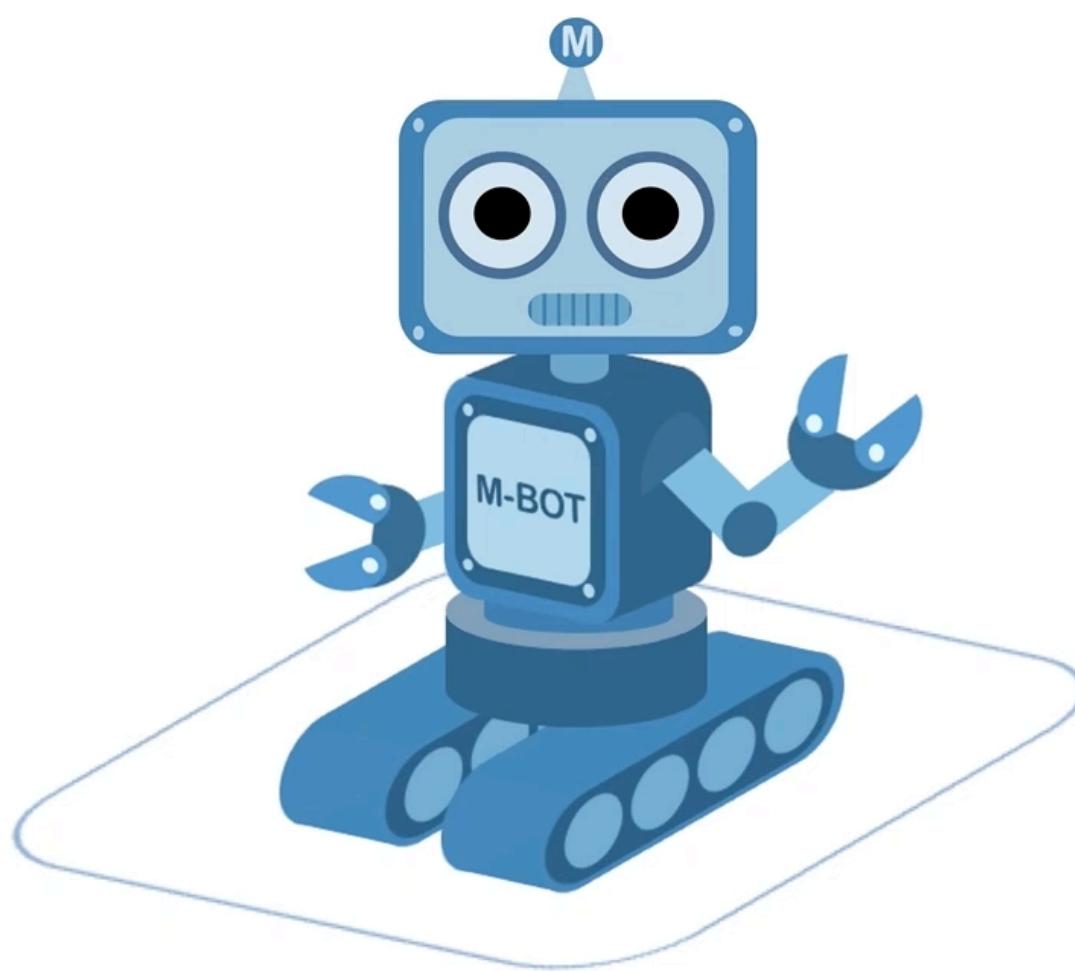
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Agent controls incoming data distribution

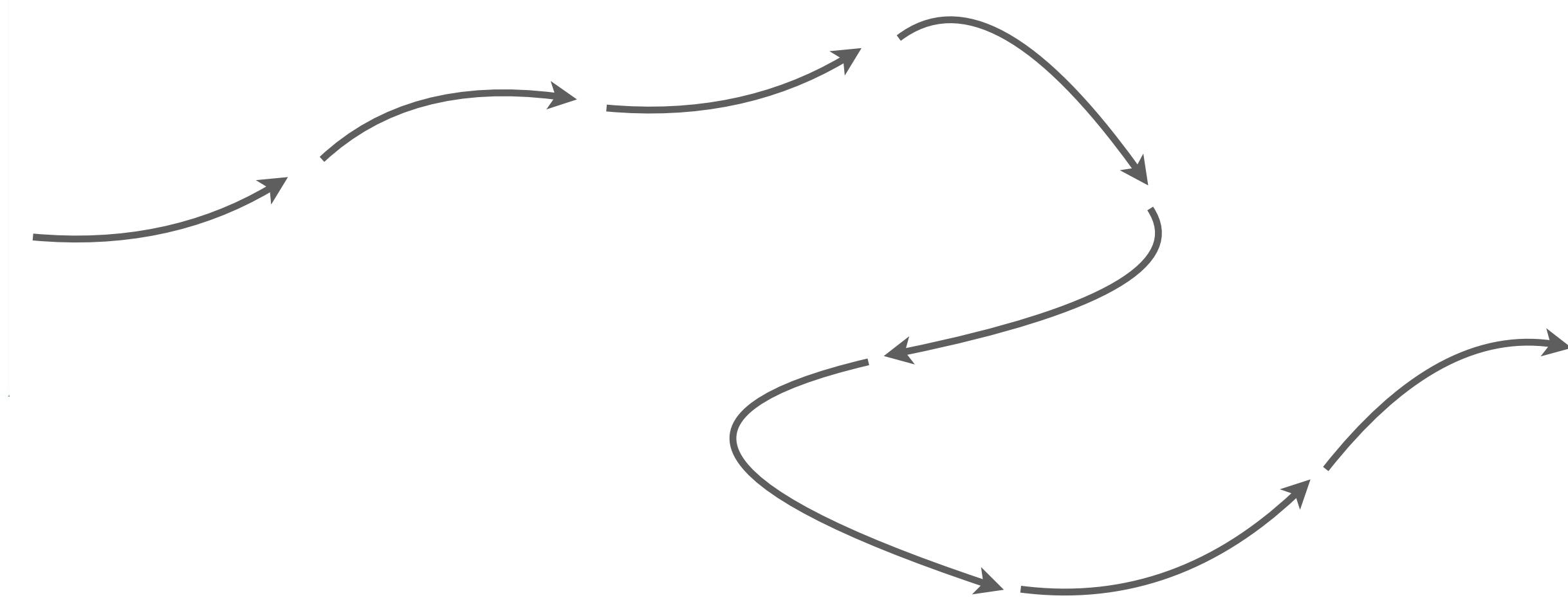
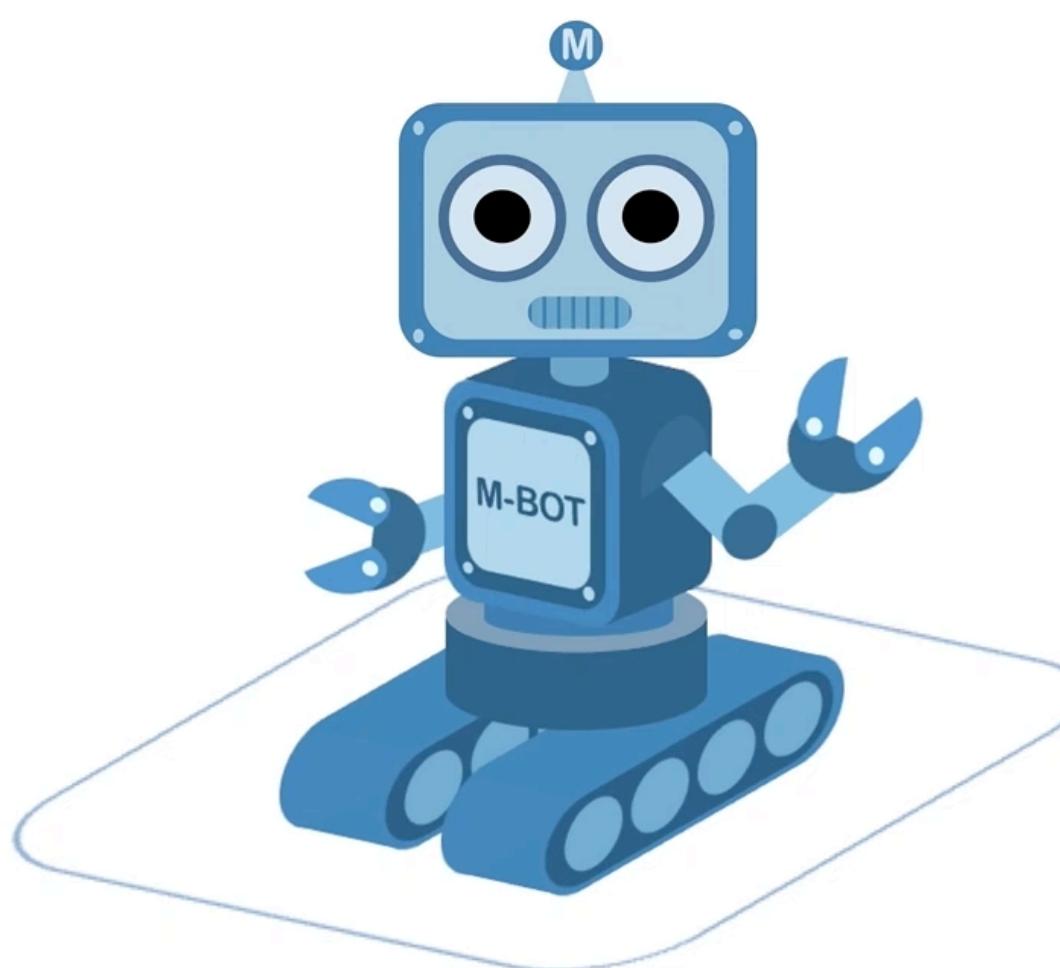
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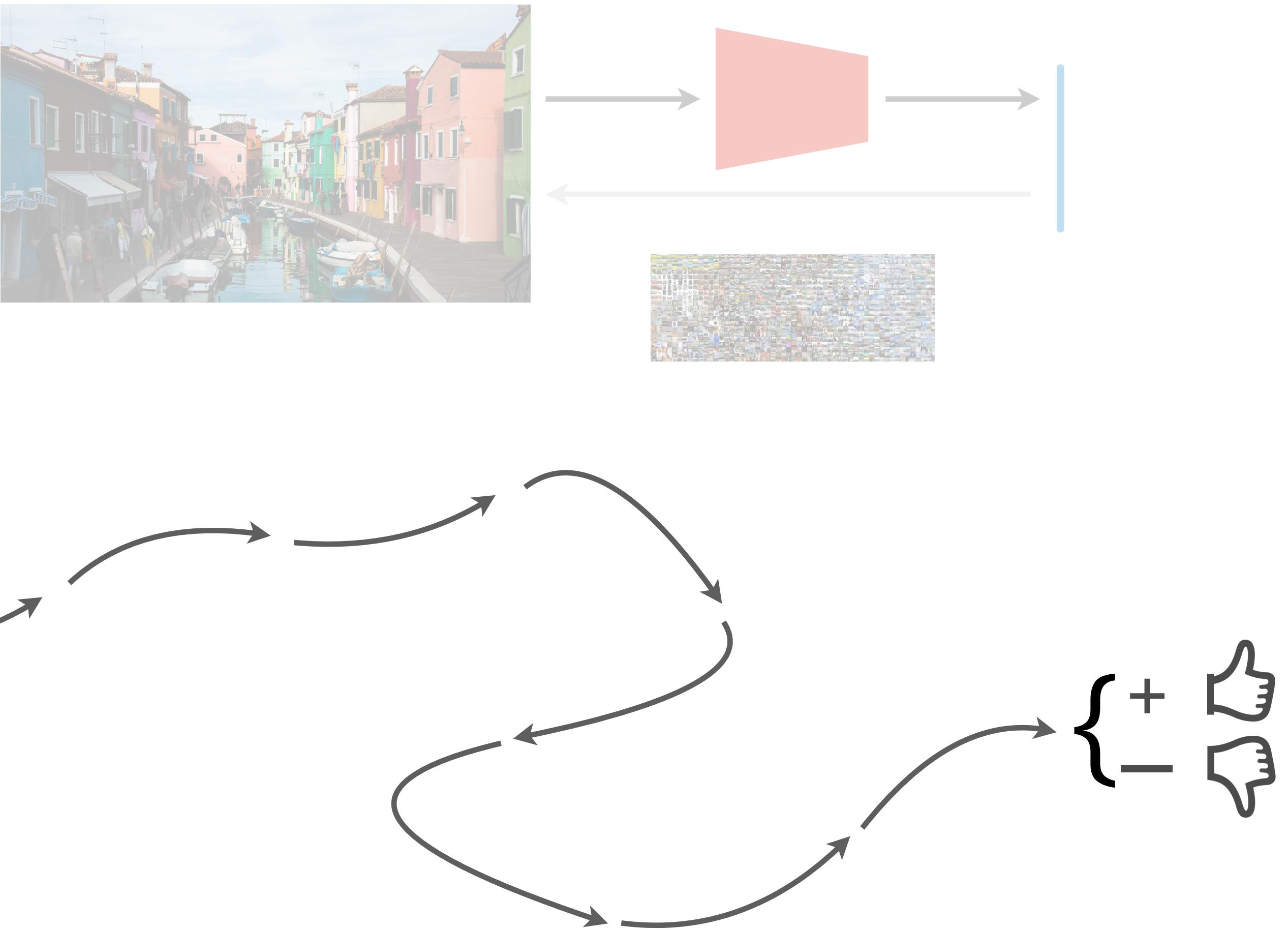
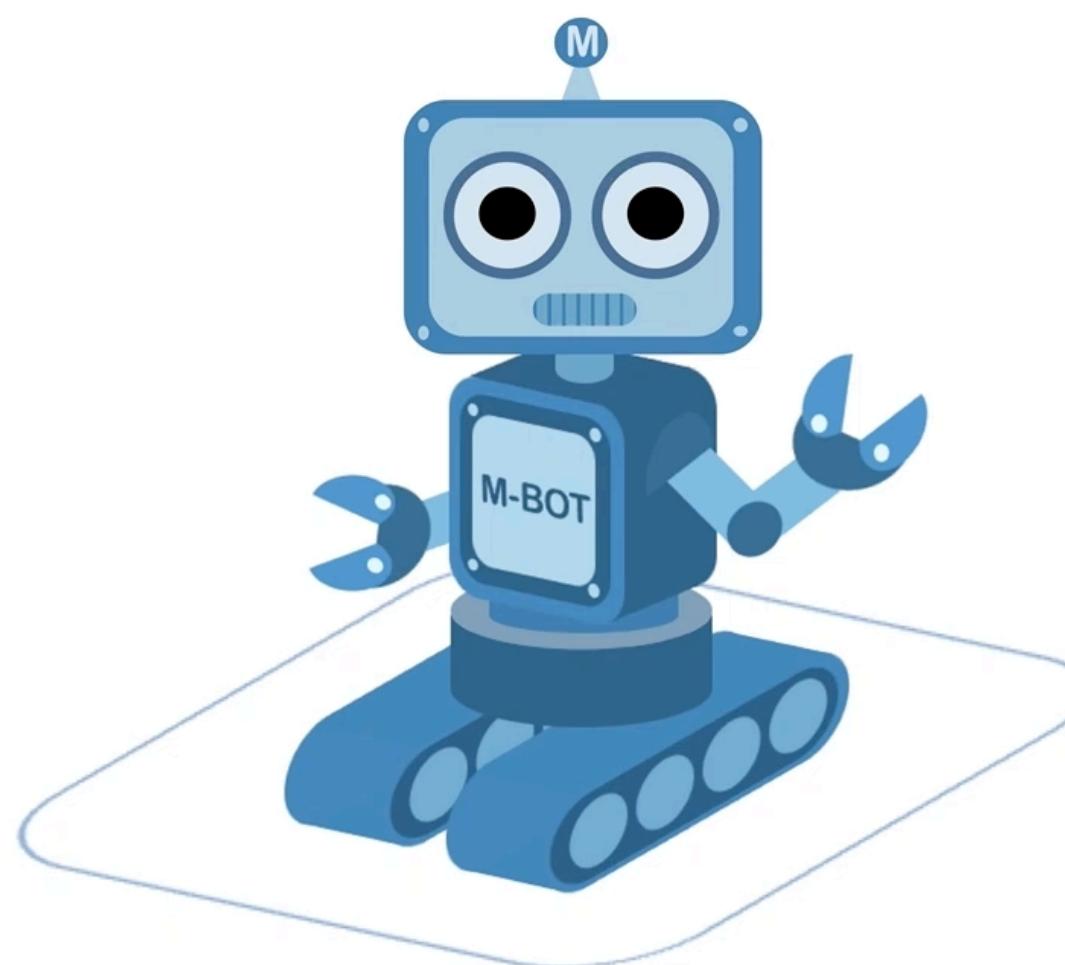
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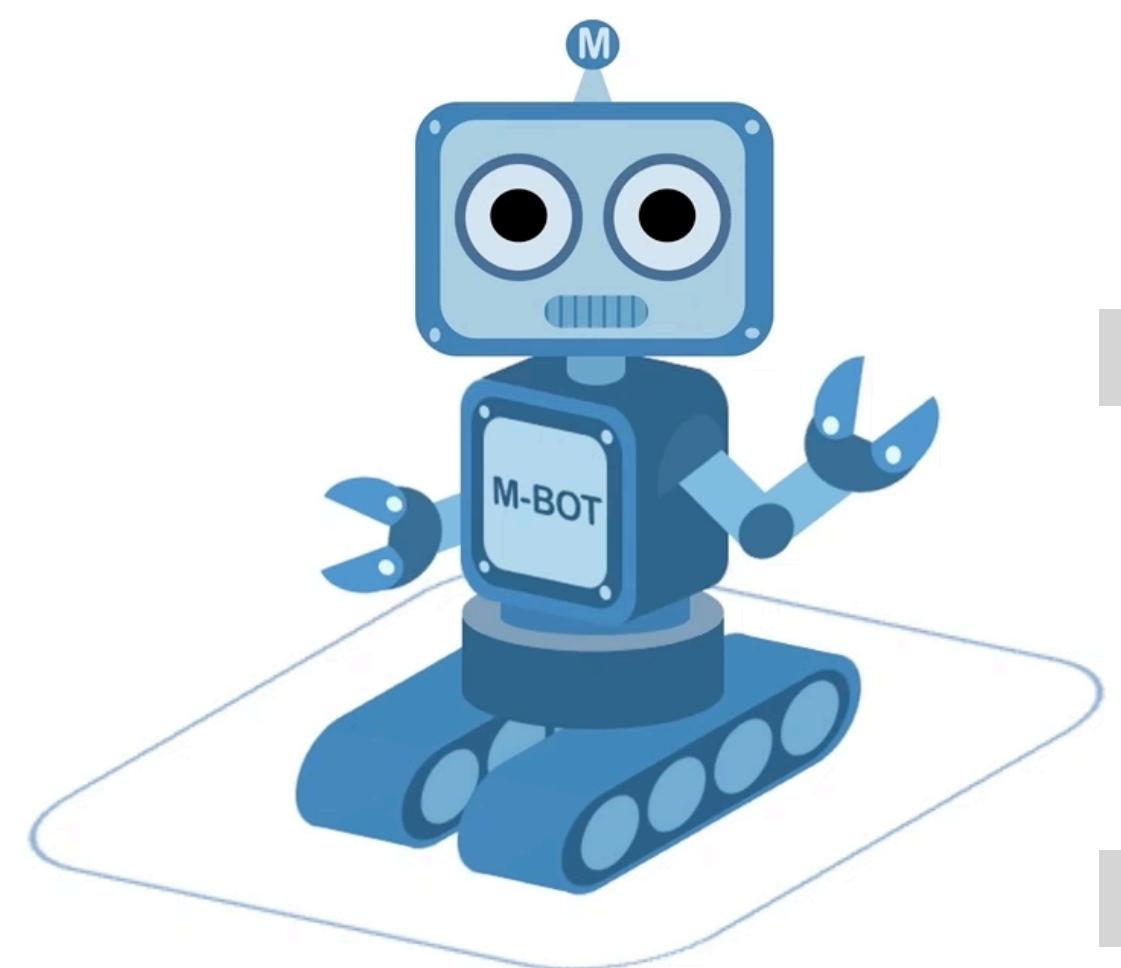
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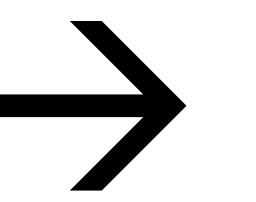
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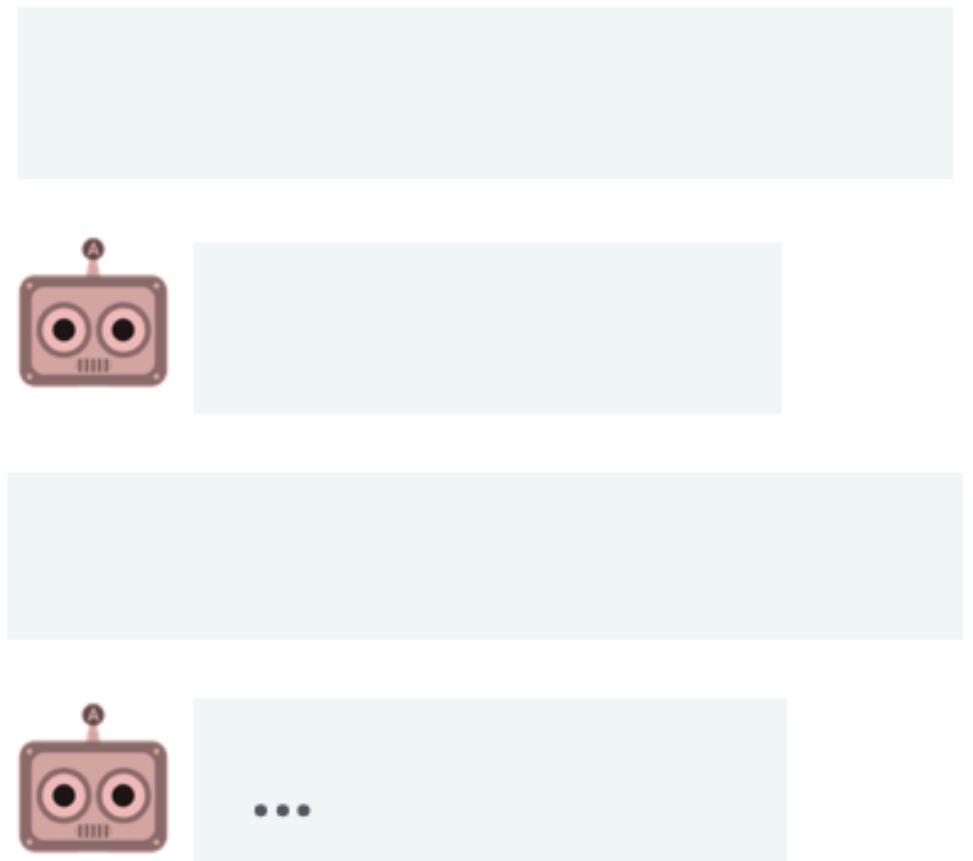
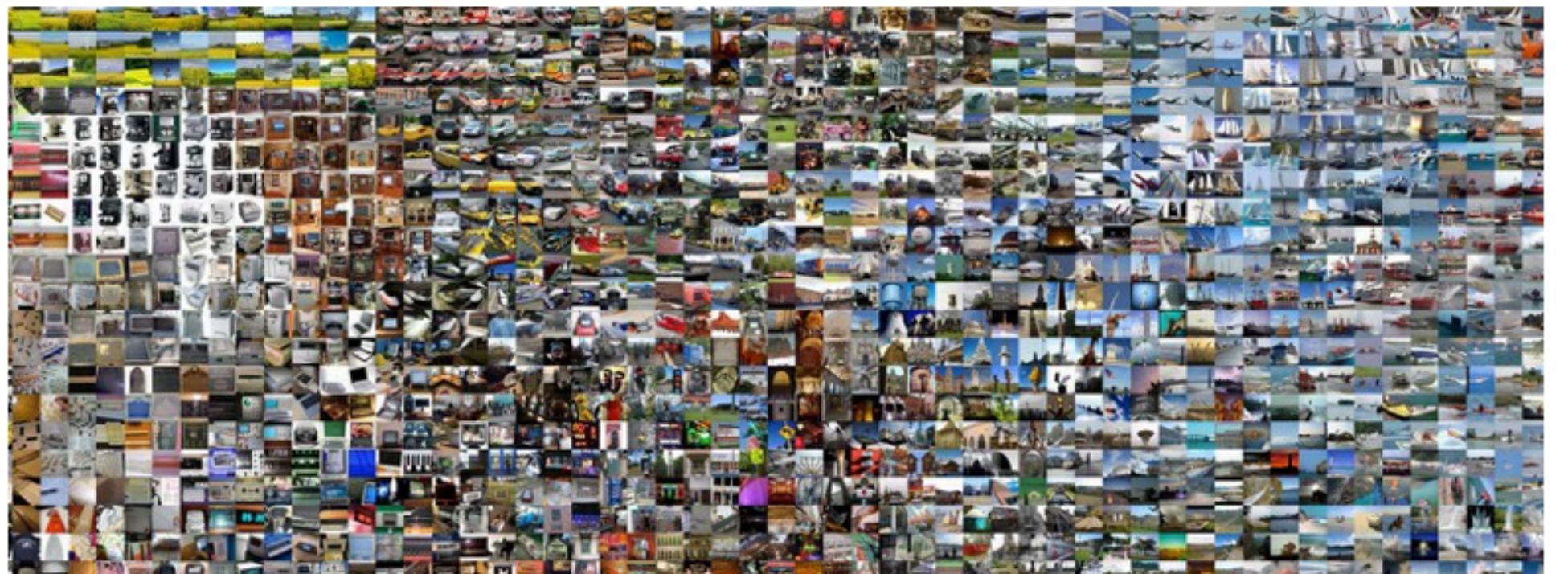


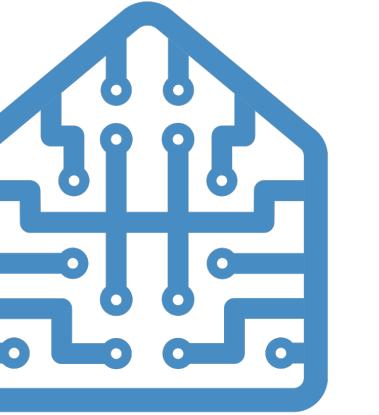
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Internet AI



Embodied AI





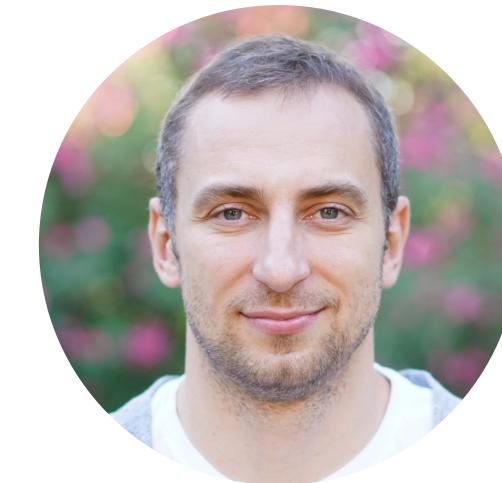
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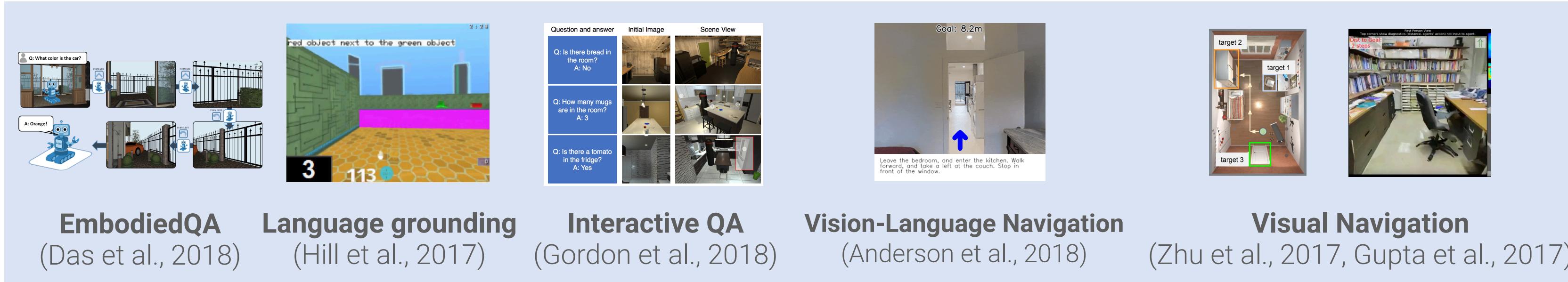
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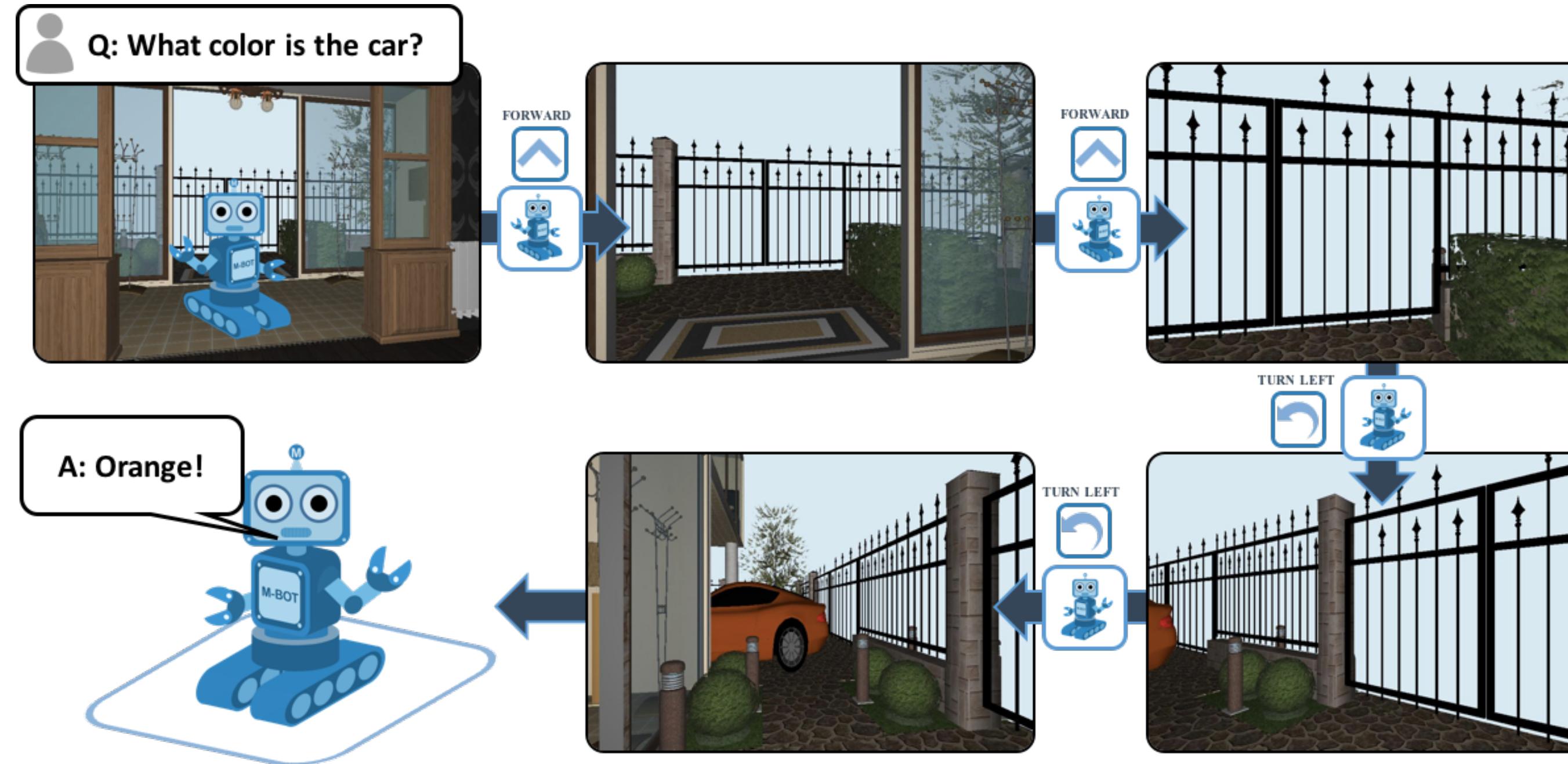
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EmbodiedQA
(Das et al., 2018)

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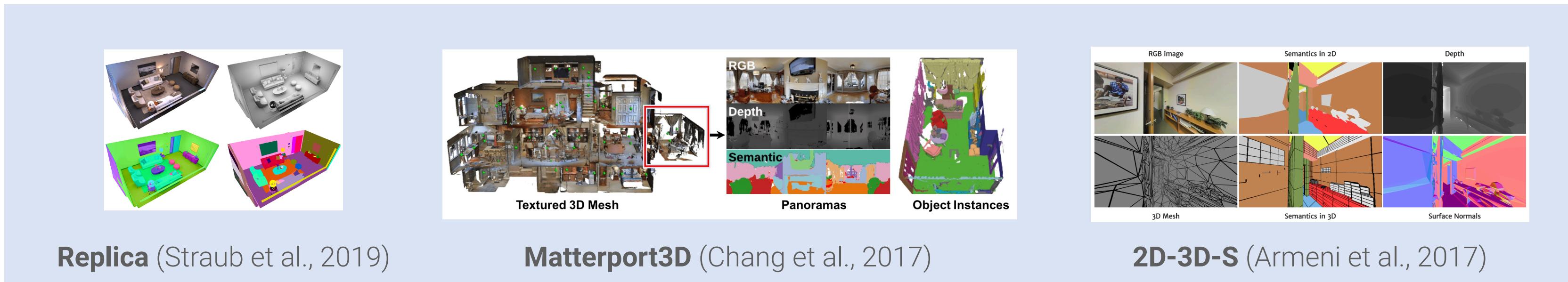


Leave the bedroom, and enter the kitchen. Walk forward, and take a left at the couch. Stop in front of the window.

Vision-Language Navigation
(Anderson et al., 2018)

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Datasets



Replica (Straub et al., 2019)

Matterport3D (Chang et al., 2017)

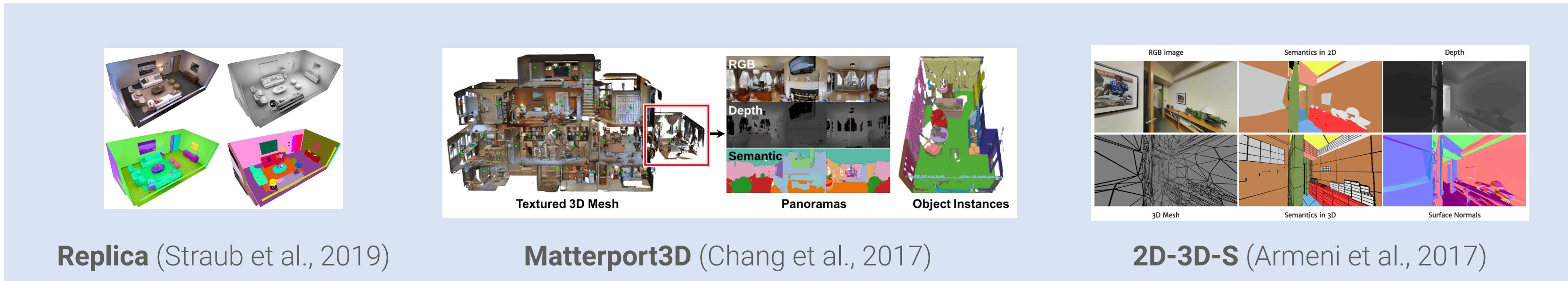
2D-3D-S (Armeni et al., 2017)

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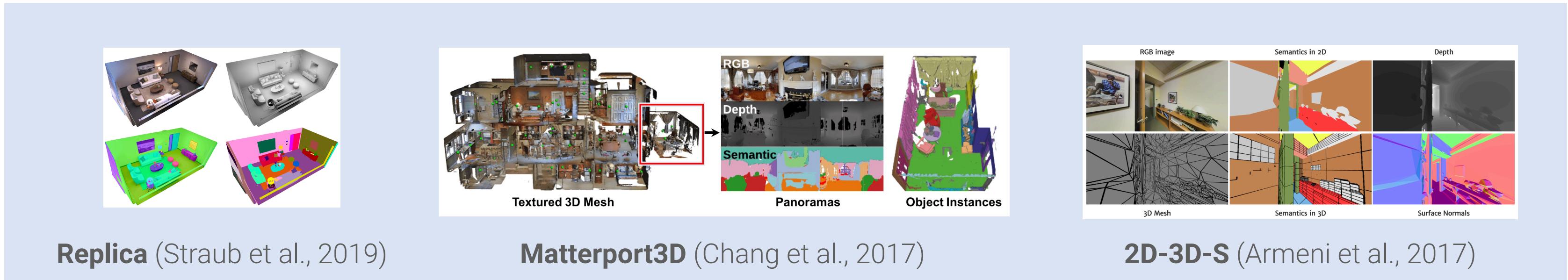
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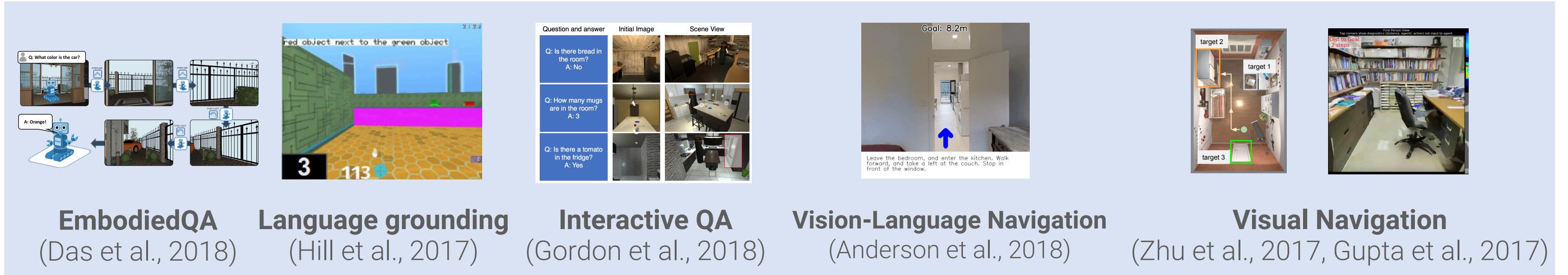


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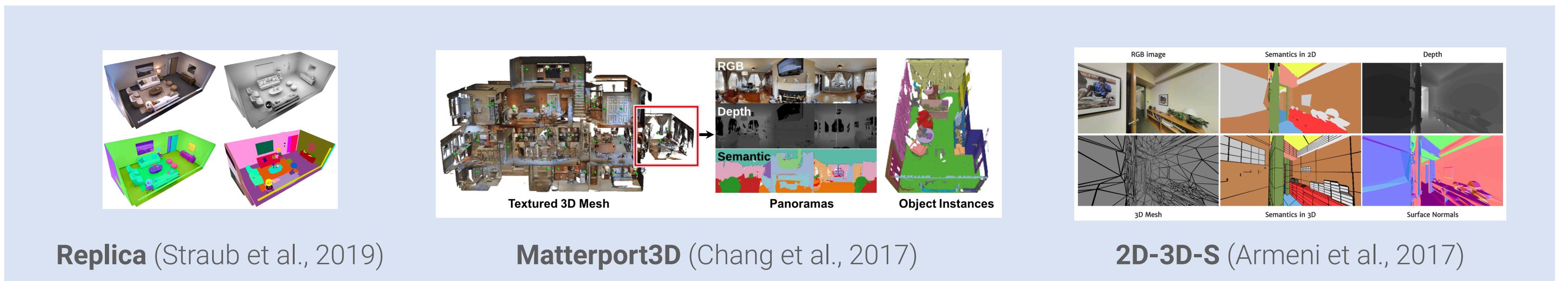
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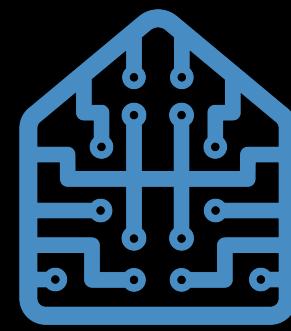
Habitat-API



Habitat-Sim



Generic Dataset Support

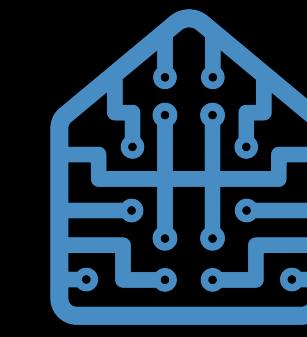


Habitat-Sim

Habitat-Sim Demo

Bring Your Own Scan: Virtualizing Reality

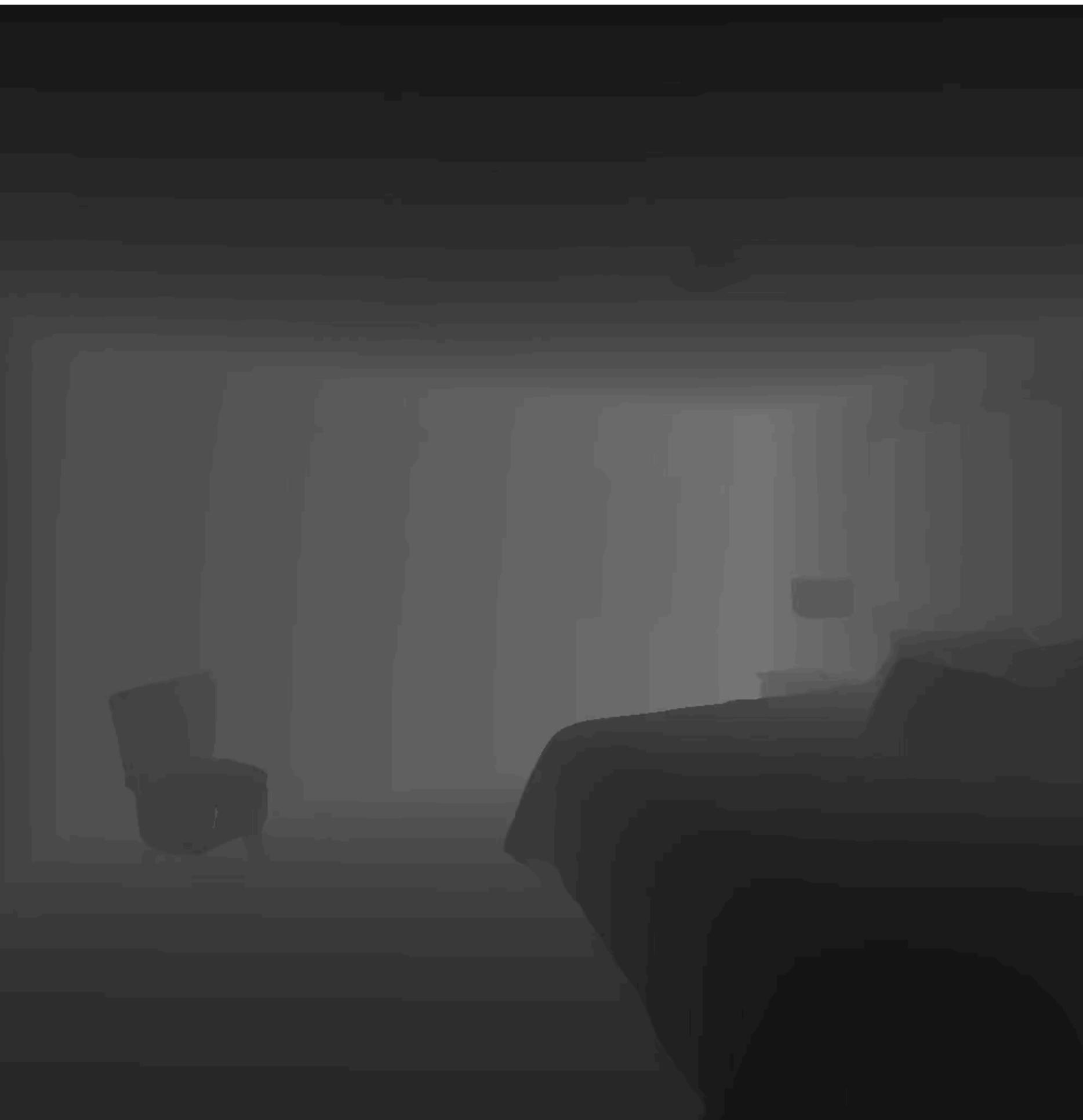




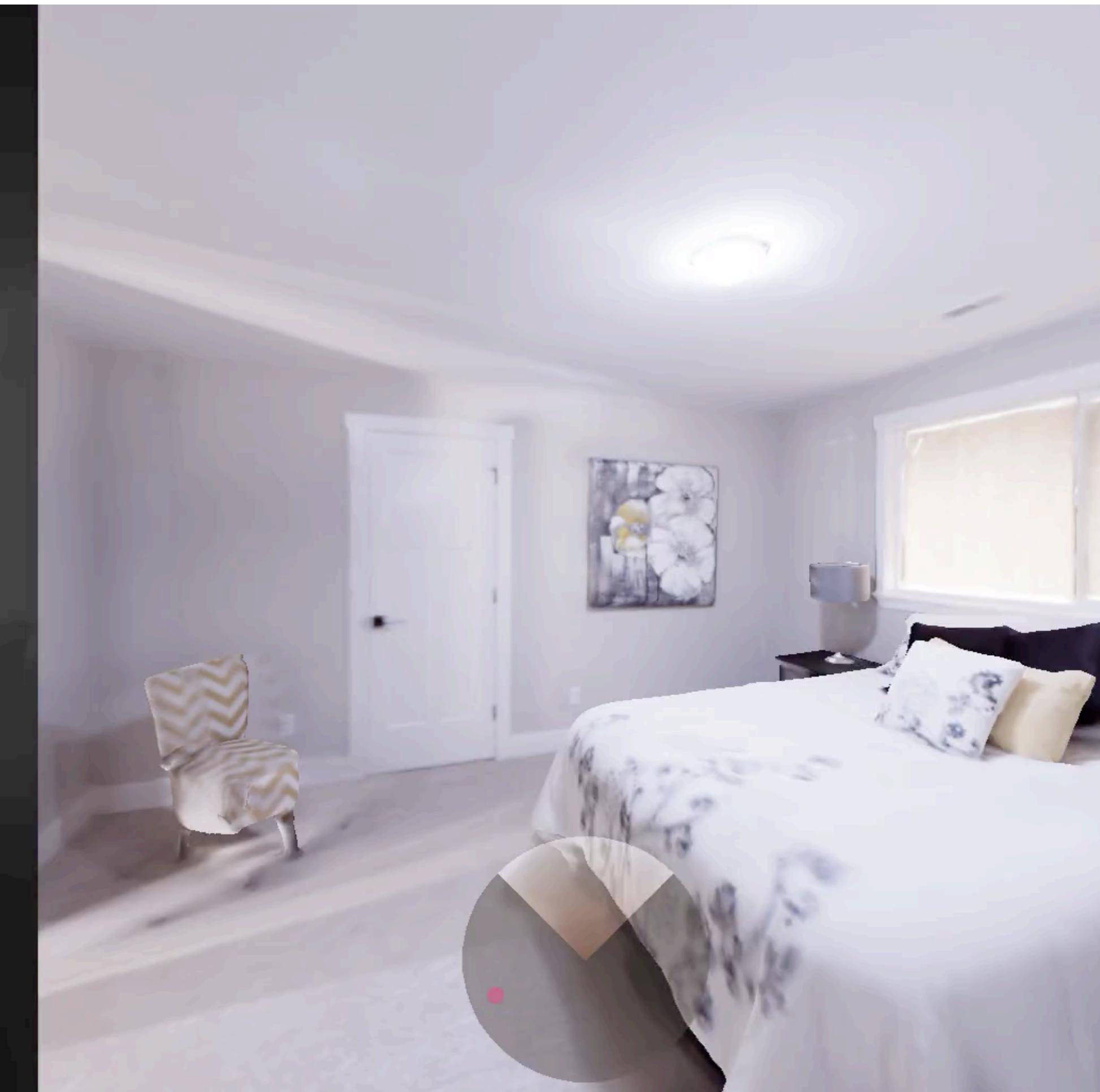
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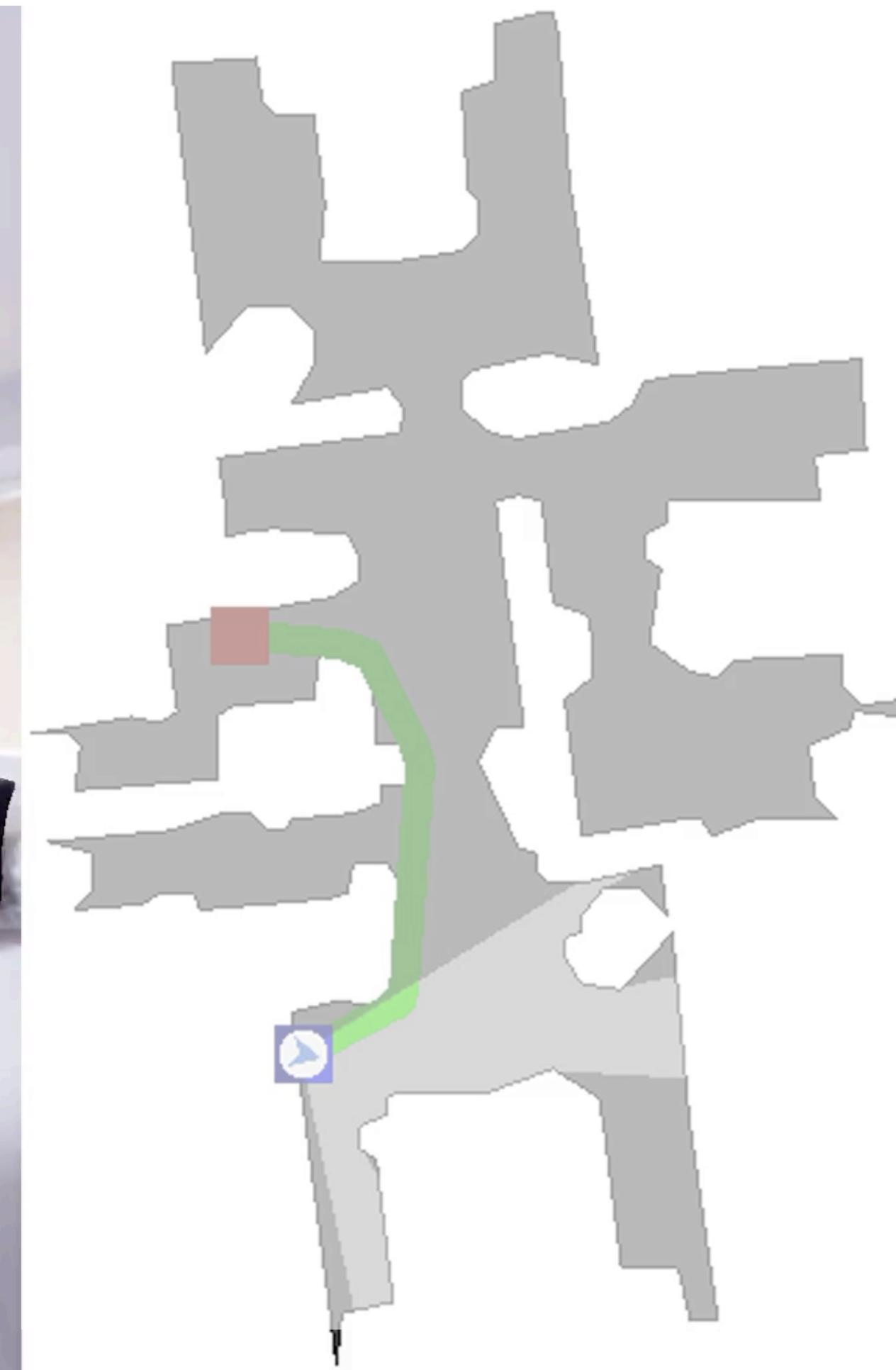
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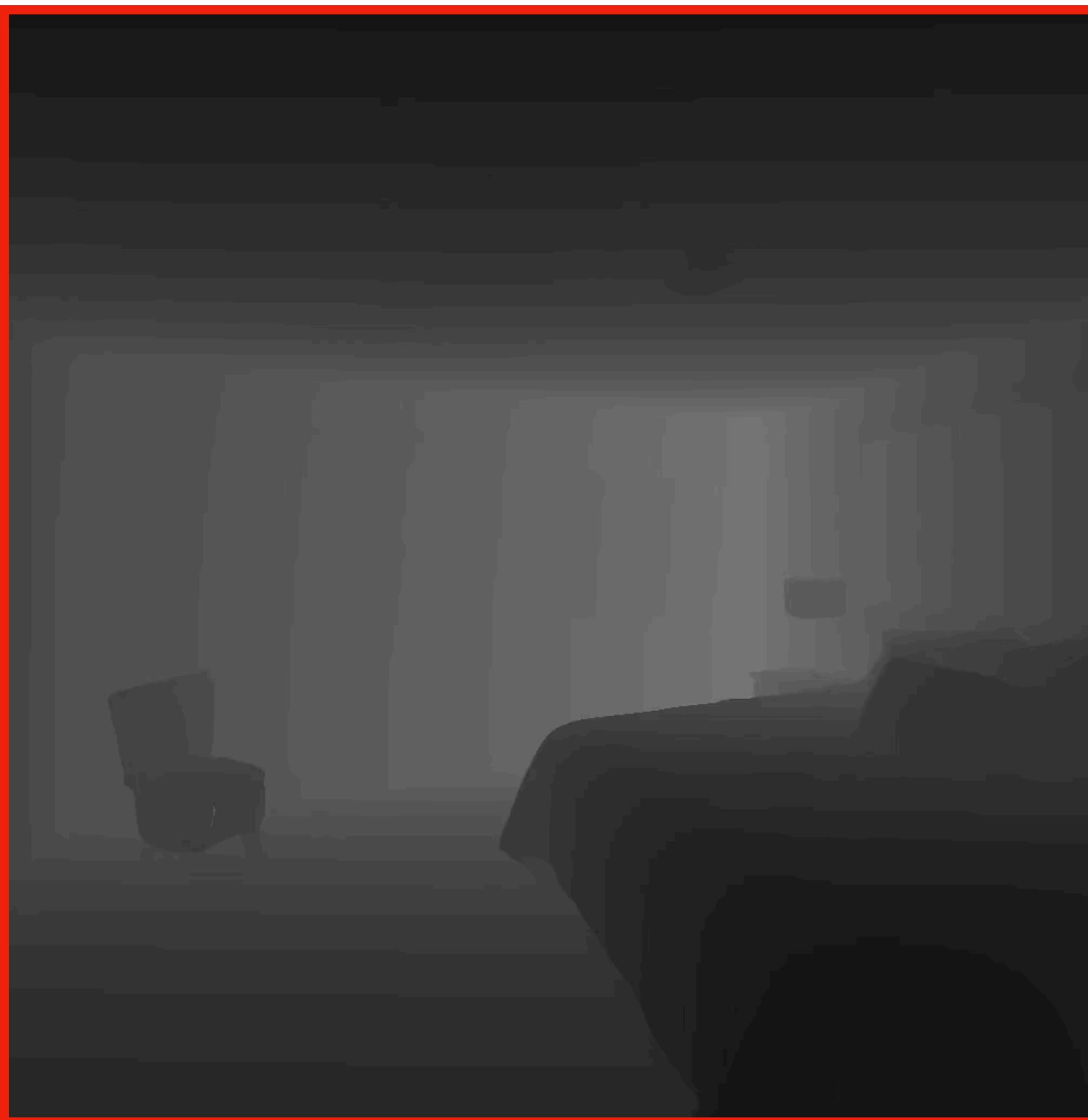


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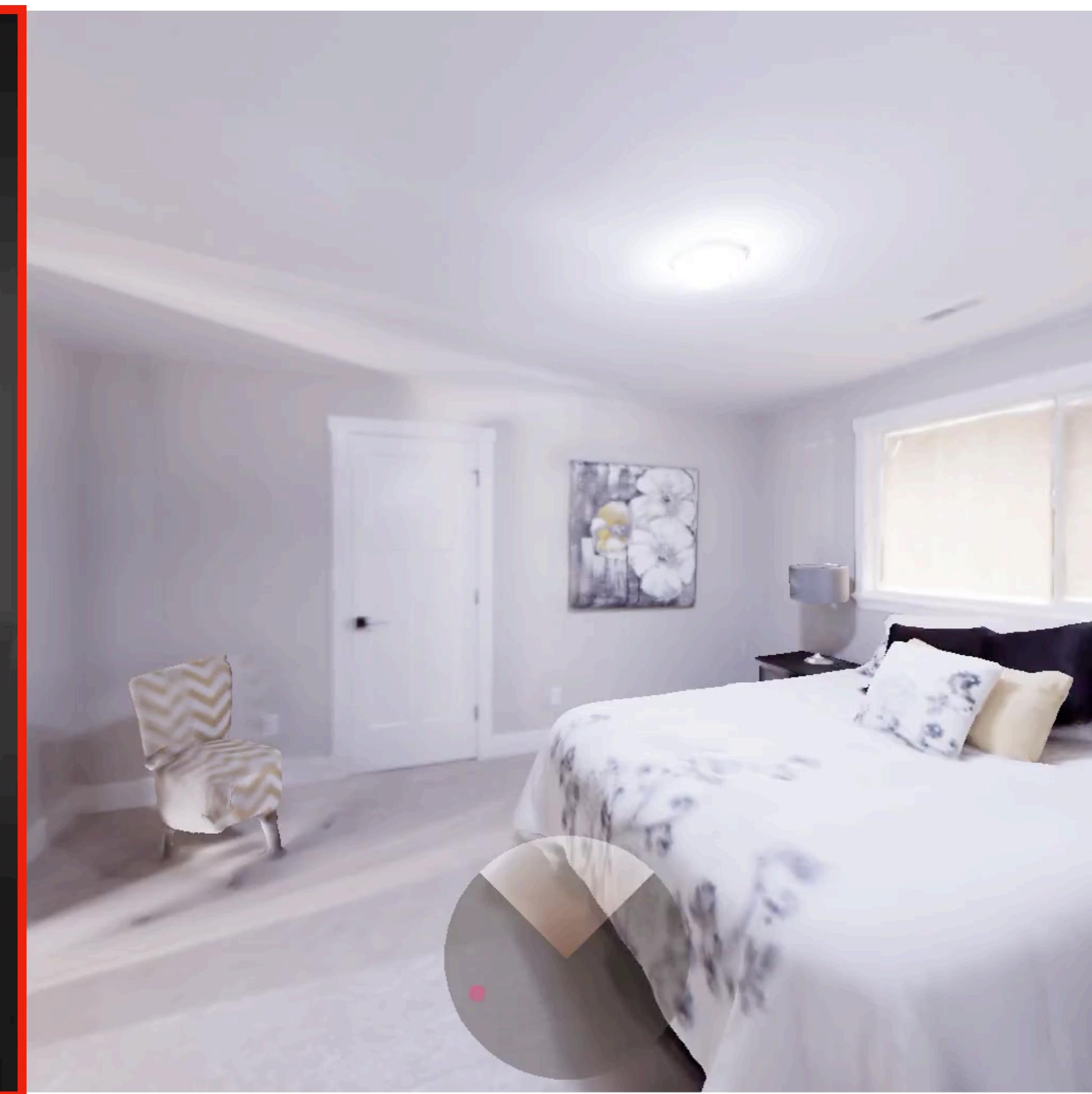


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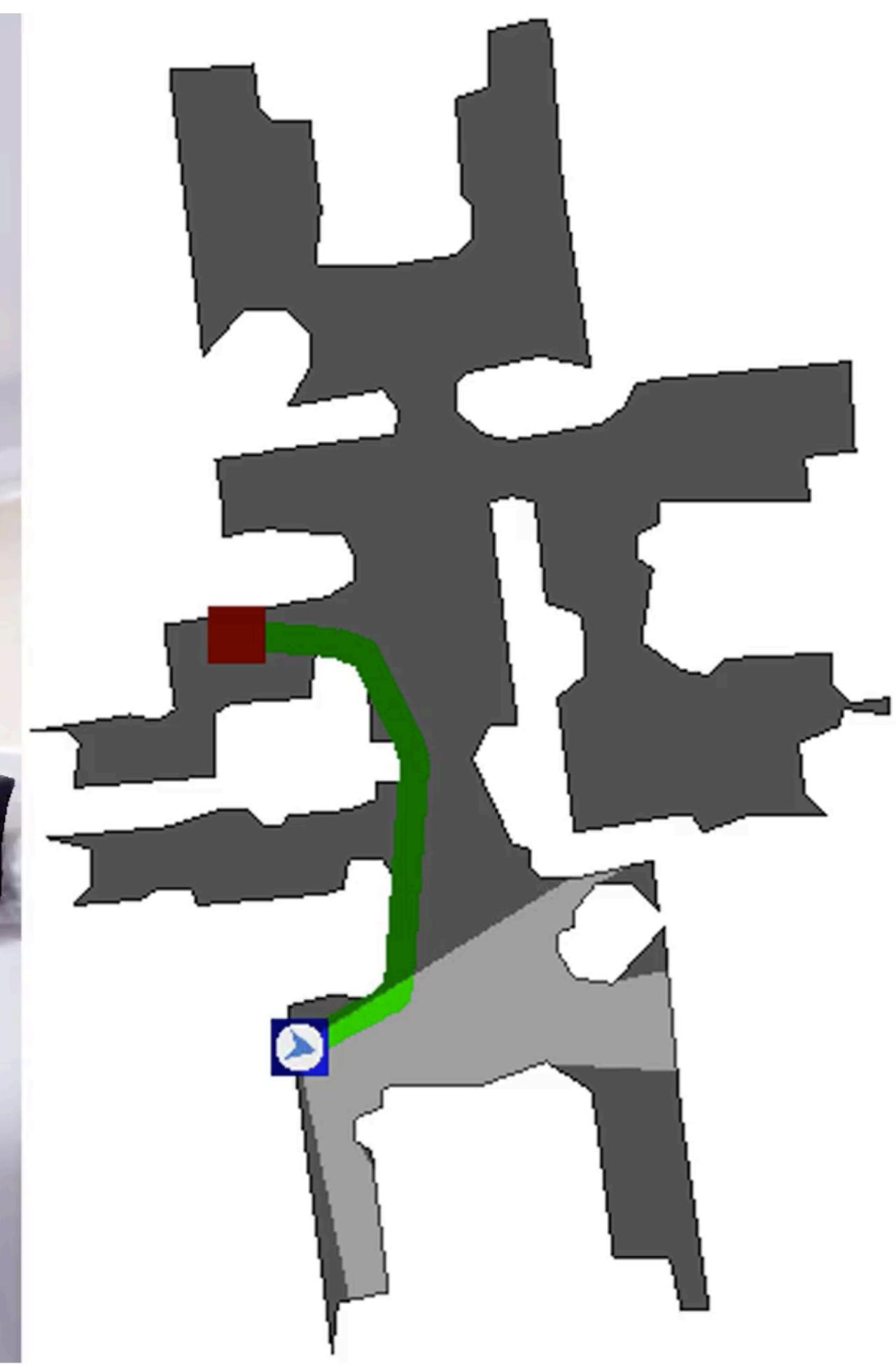
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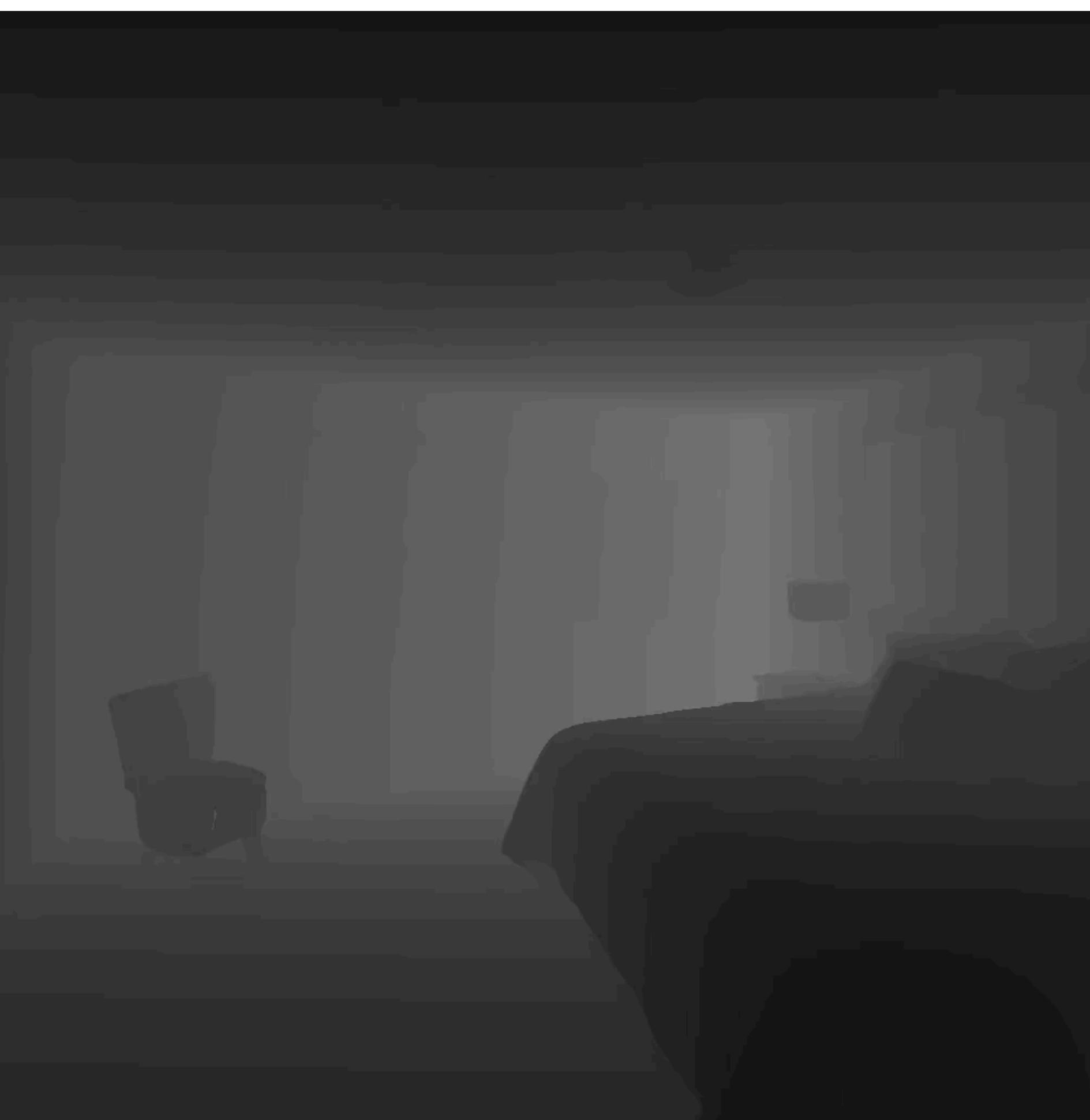


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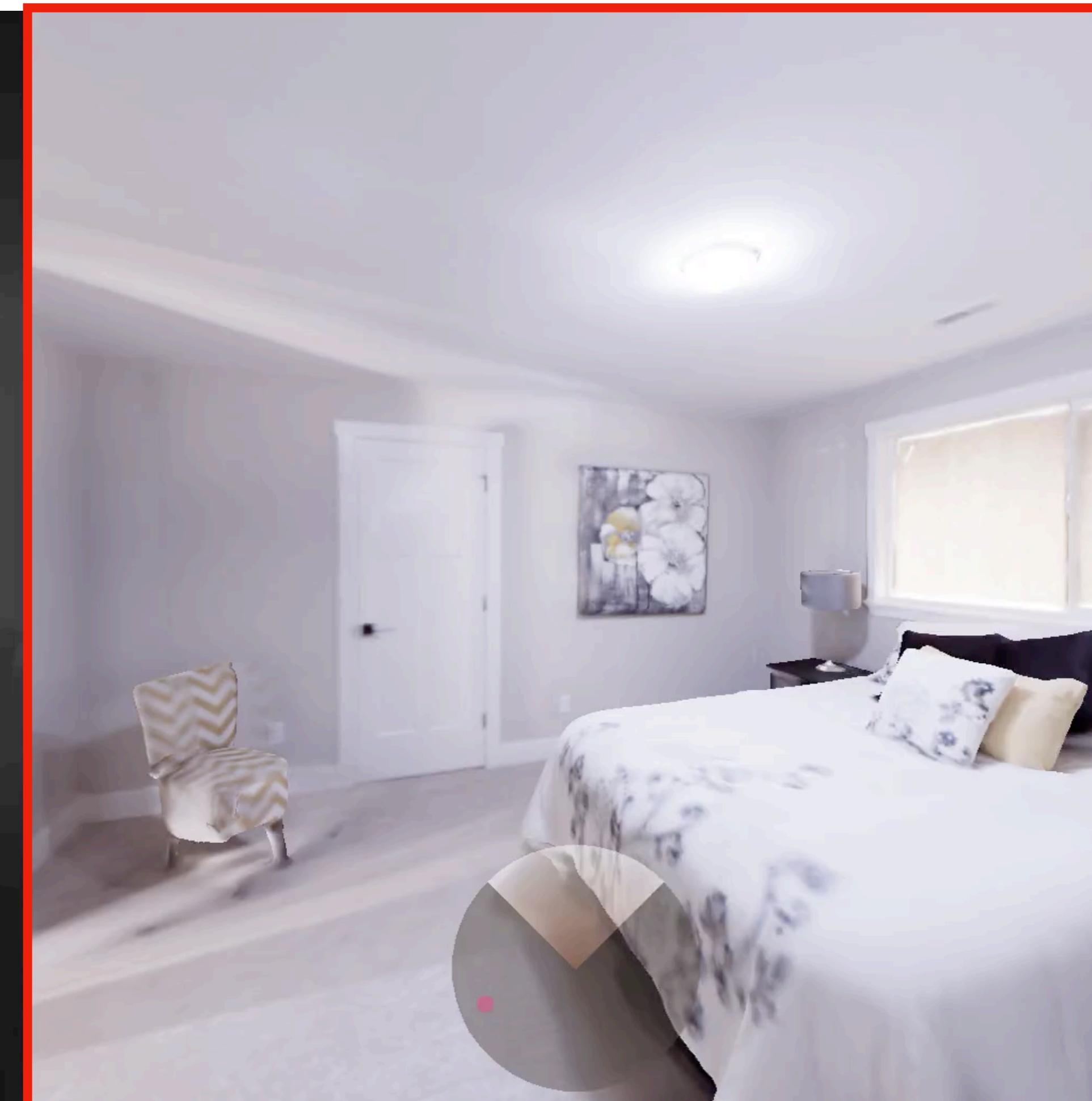


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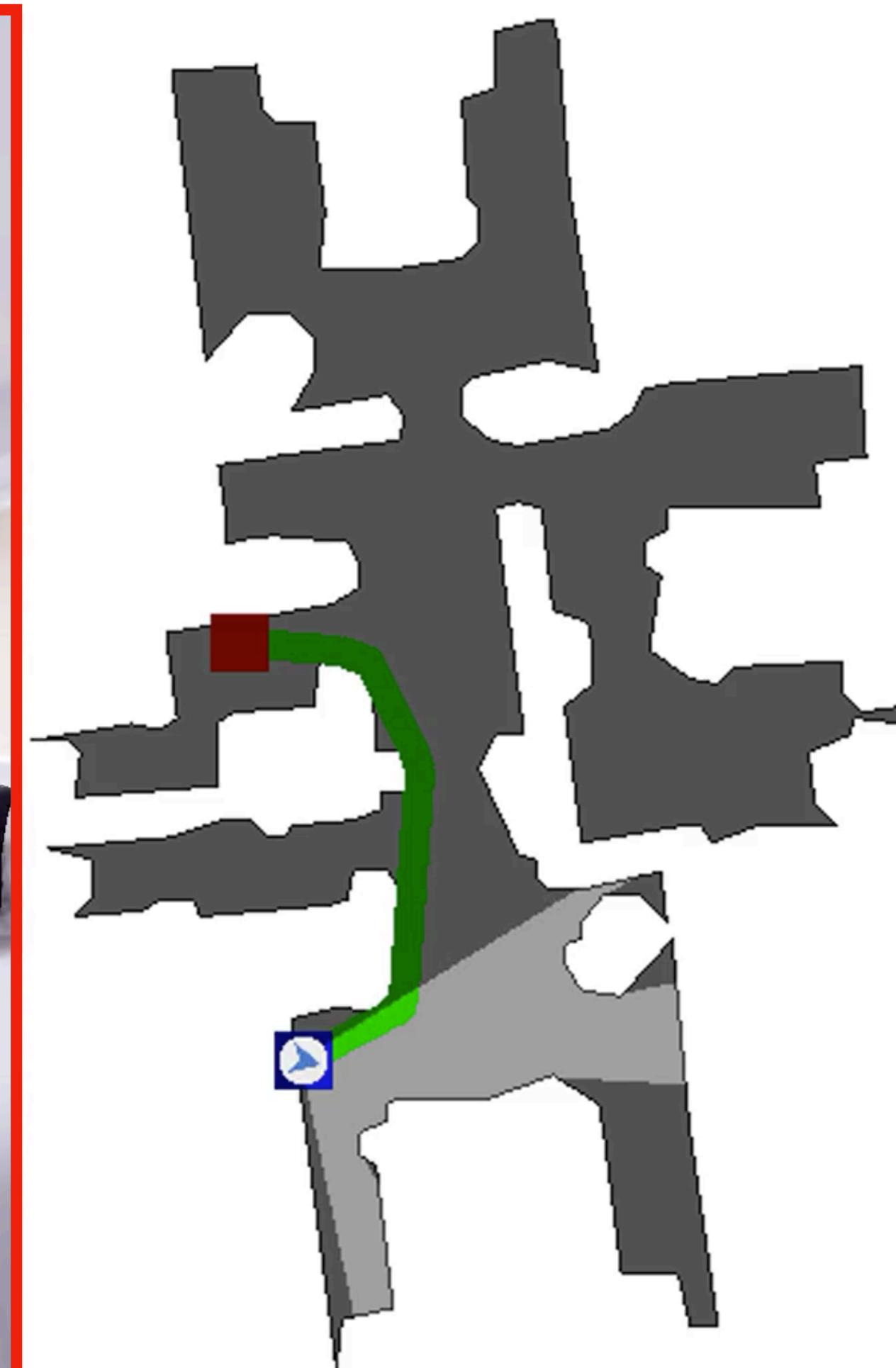
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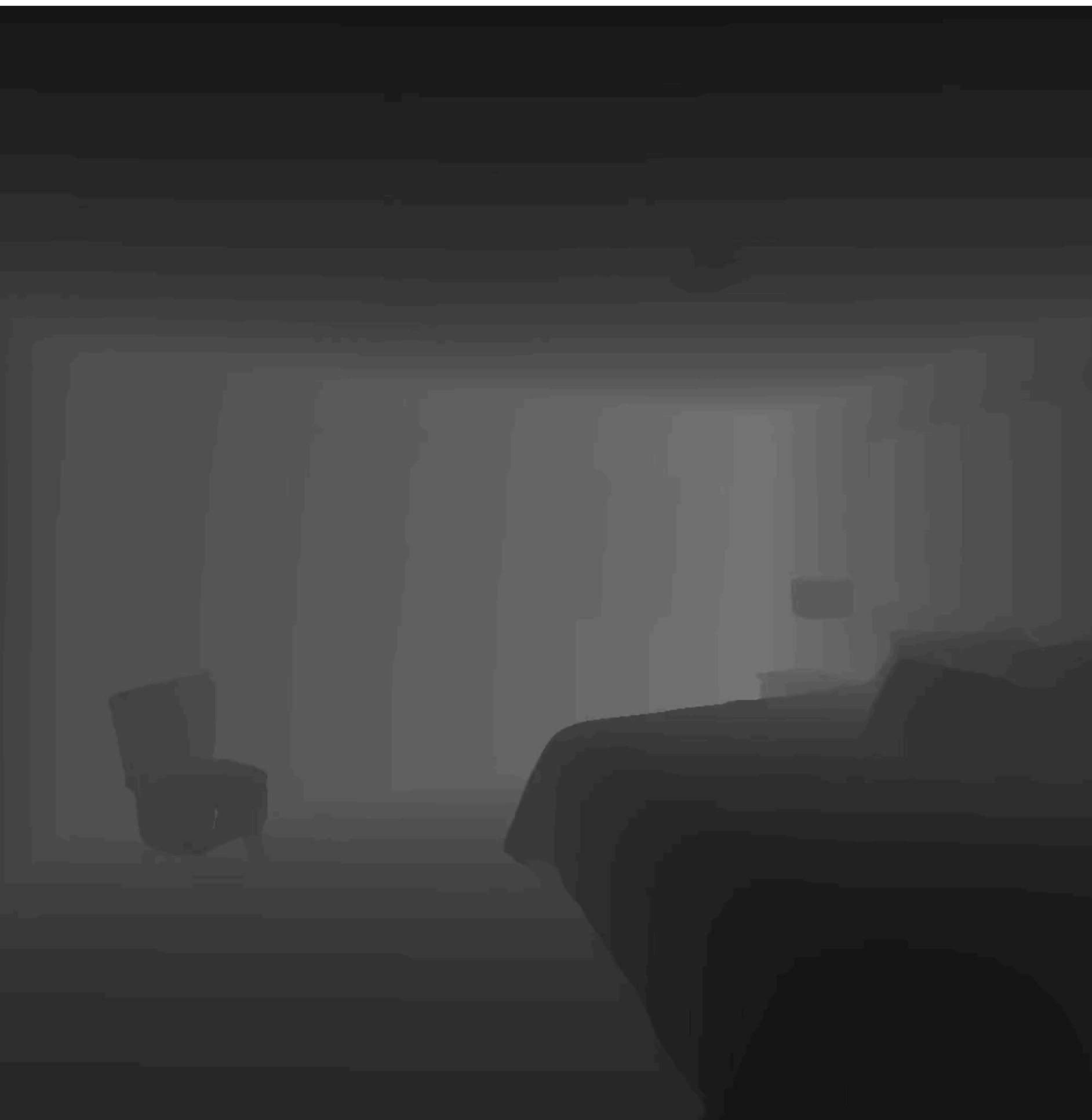


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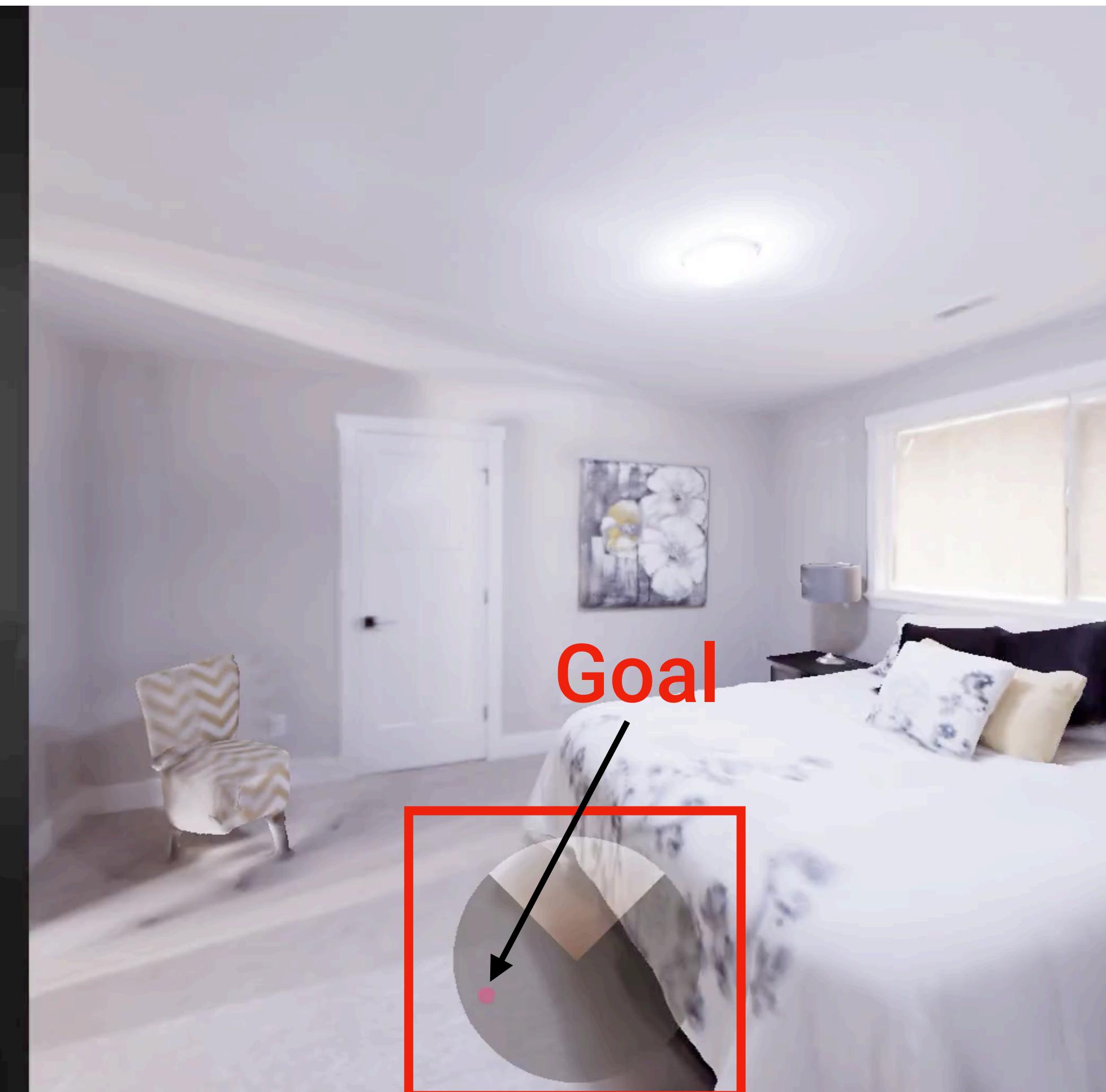


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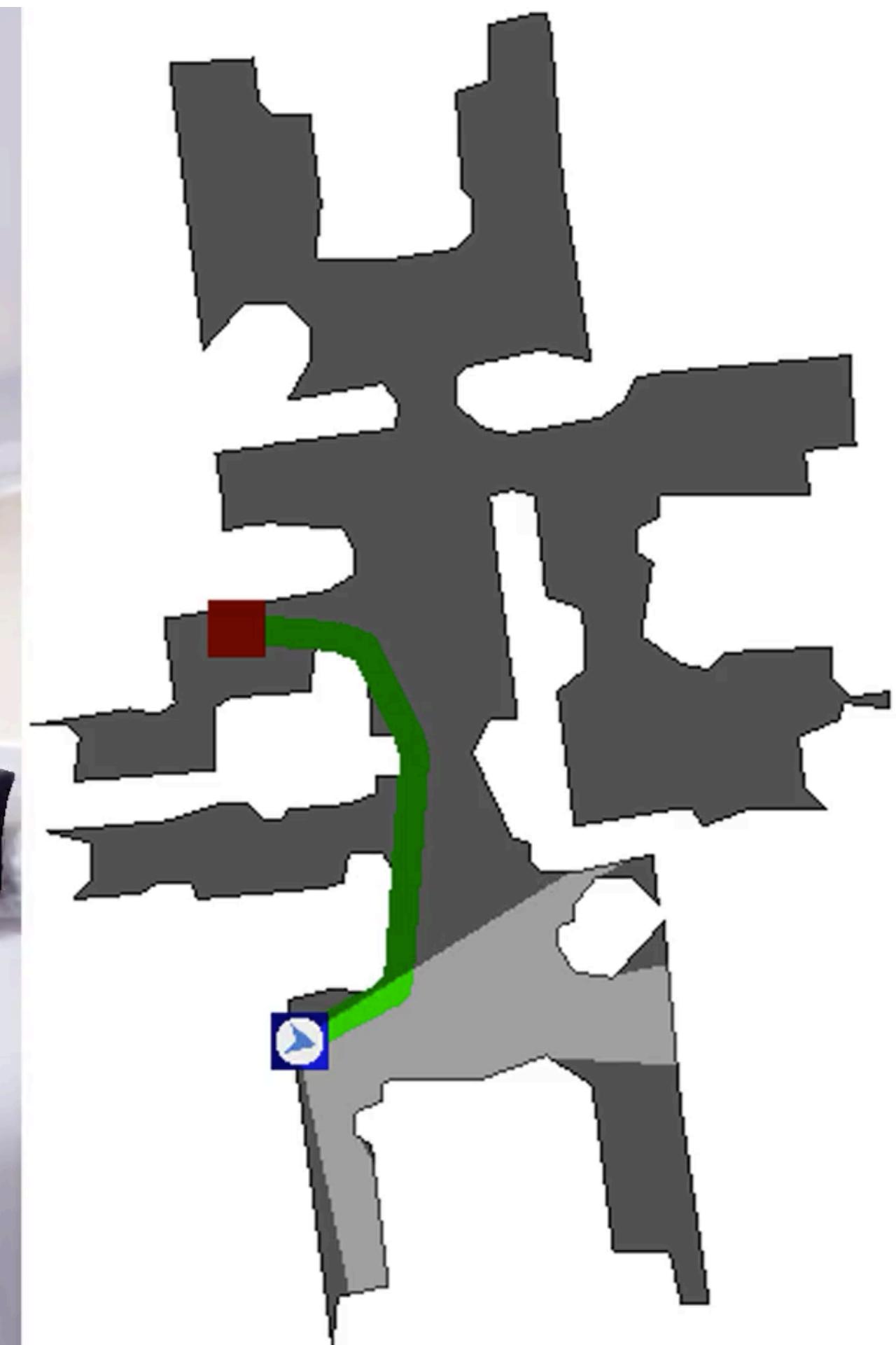
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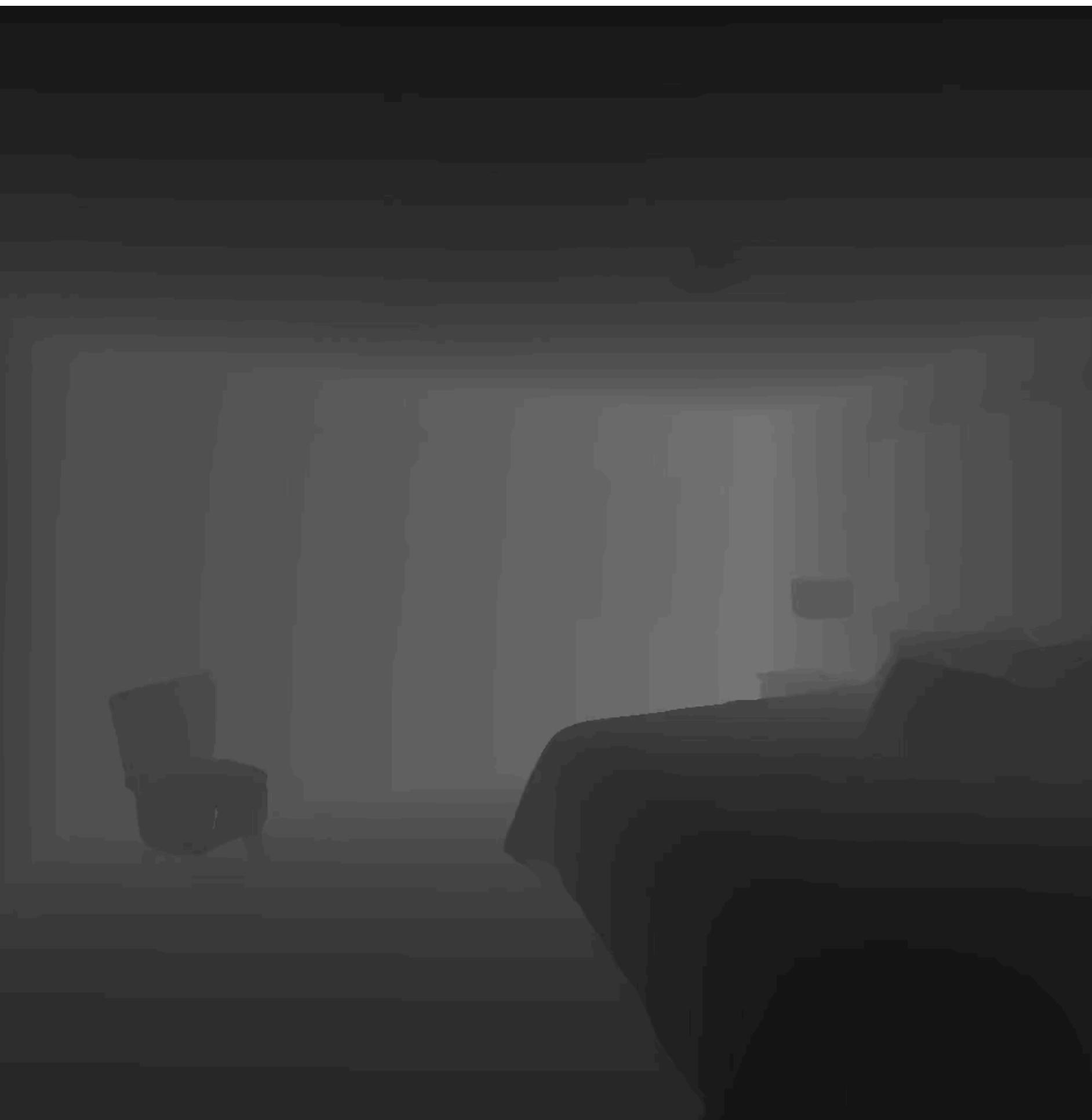


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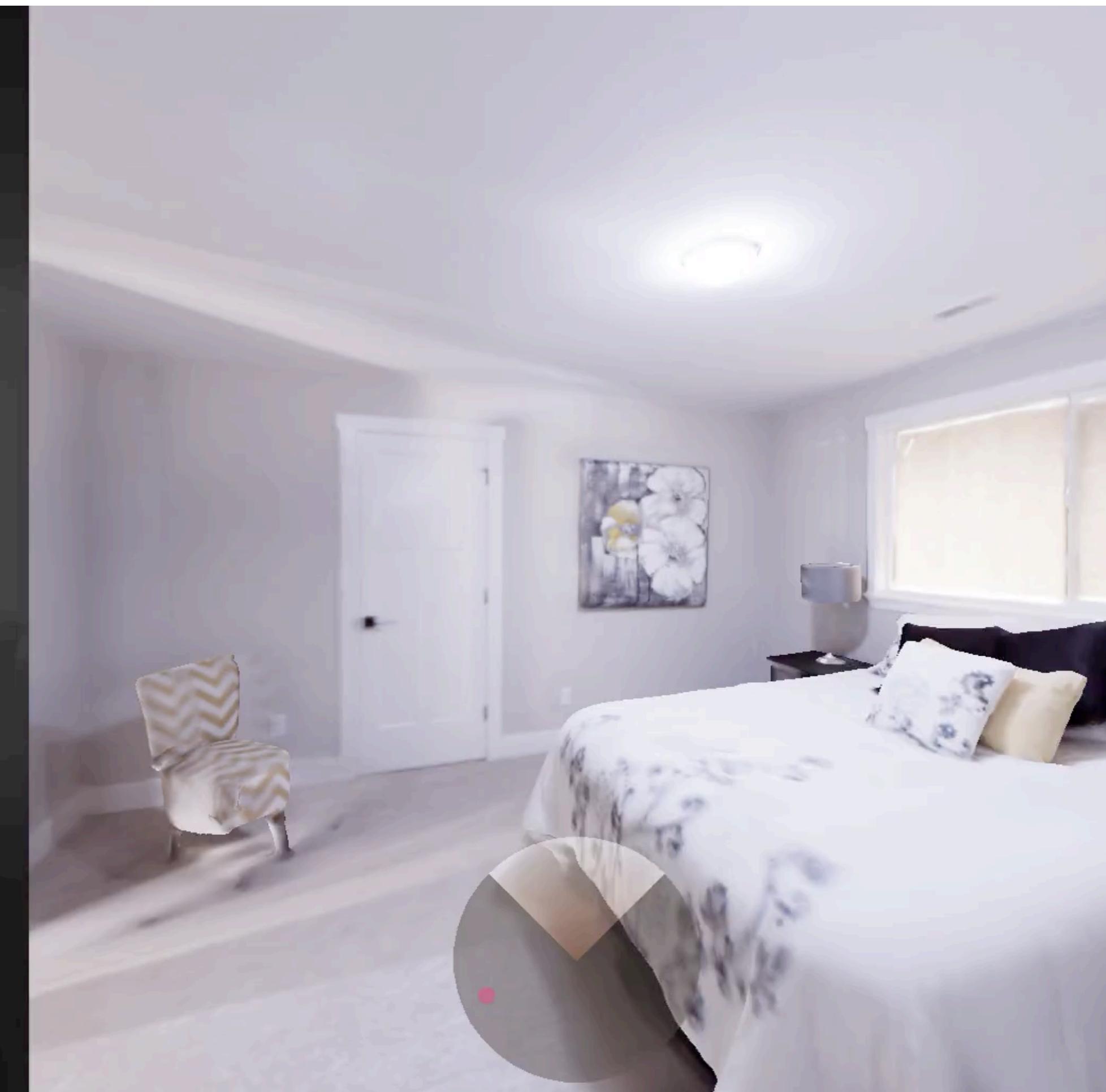


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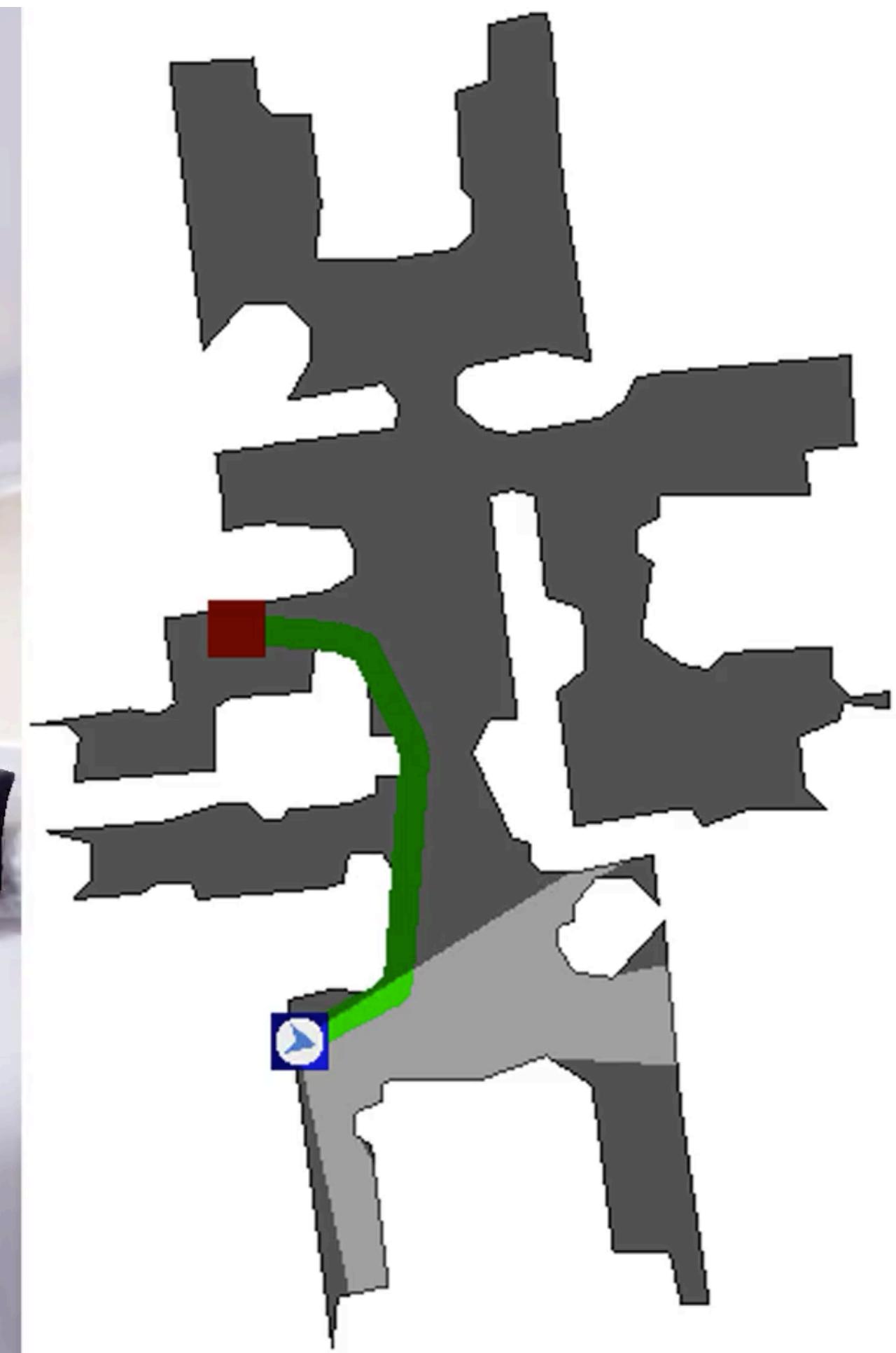
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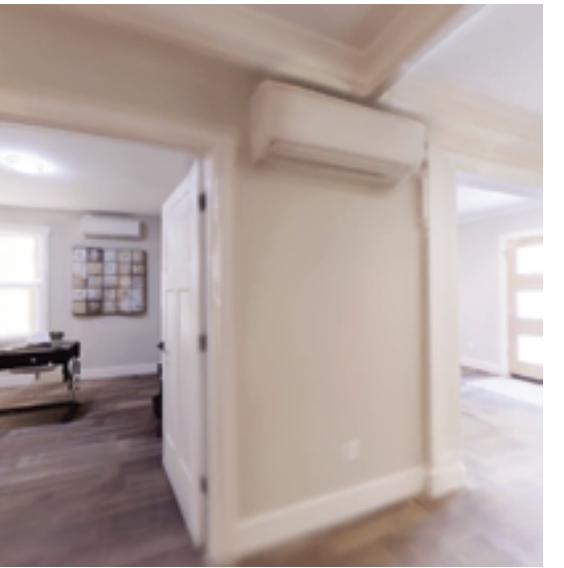


- 0.6m tall cylinder with 0.2m radius
- Actions:
 - <stop>: Indicates the agent believes it has completed the task
 - <forward>: Moves 0.25m forward
 - <left>, <right>: Turn 30 degrees

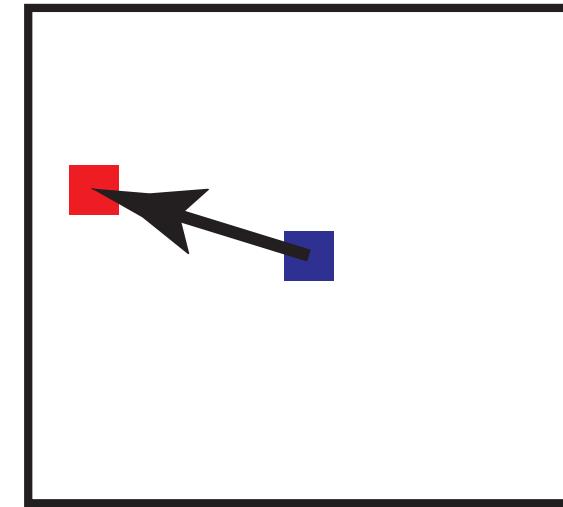
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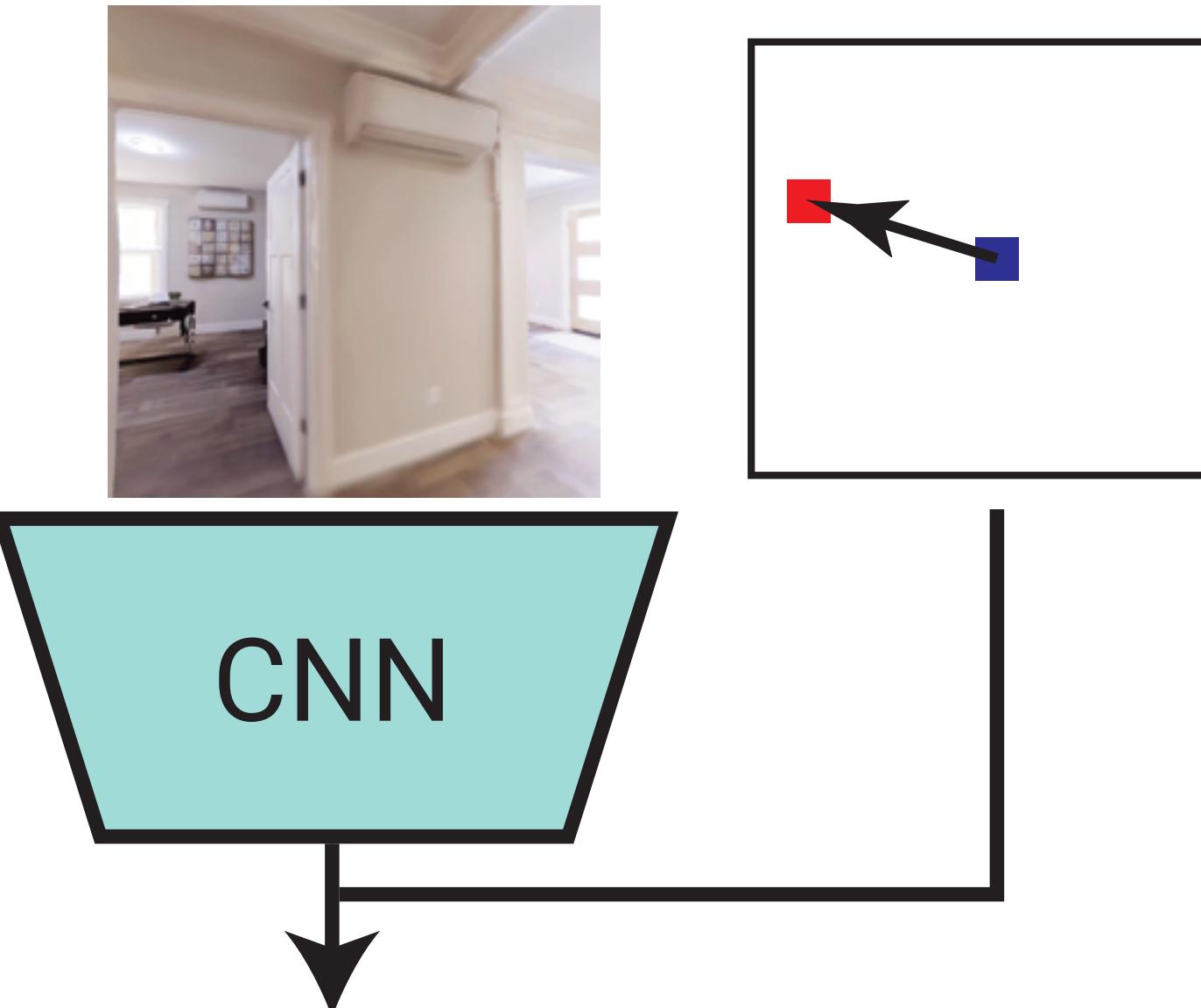
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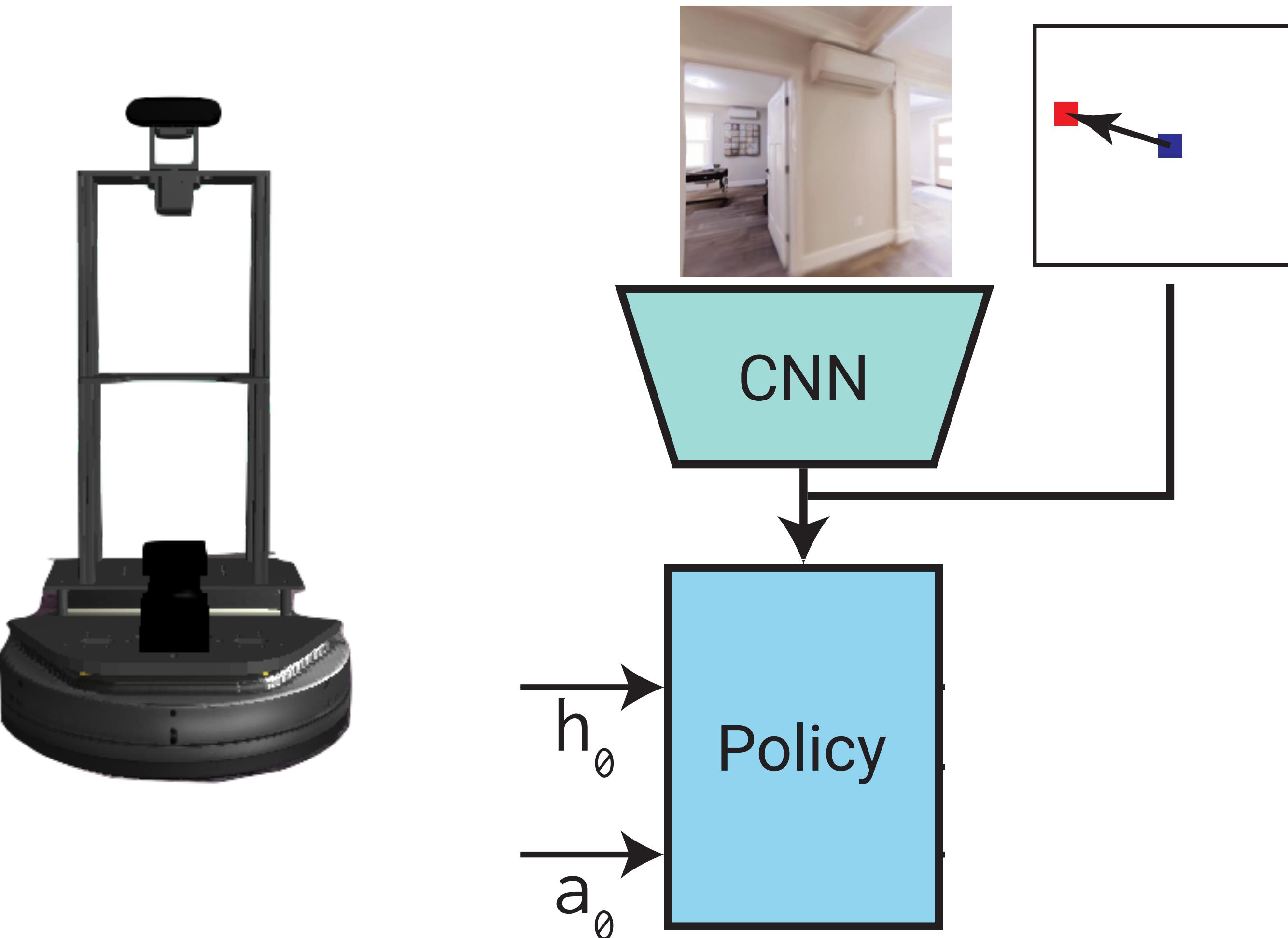
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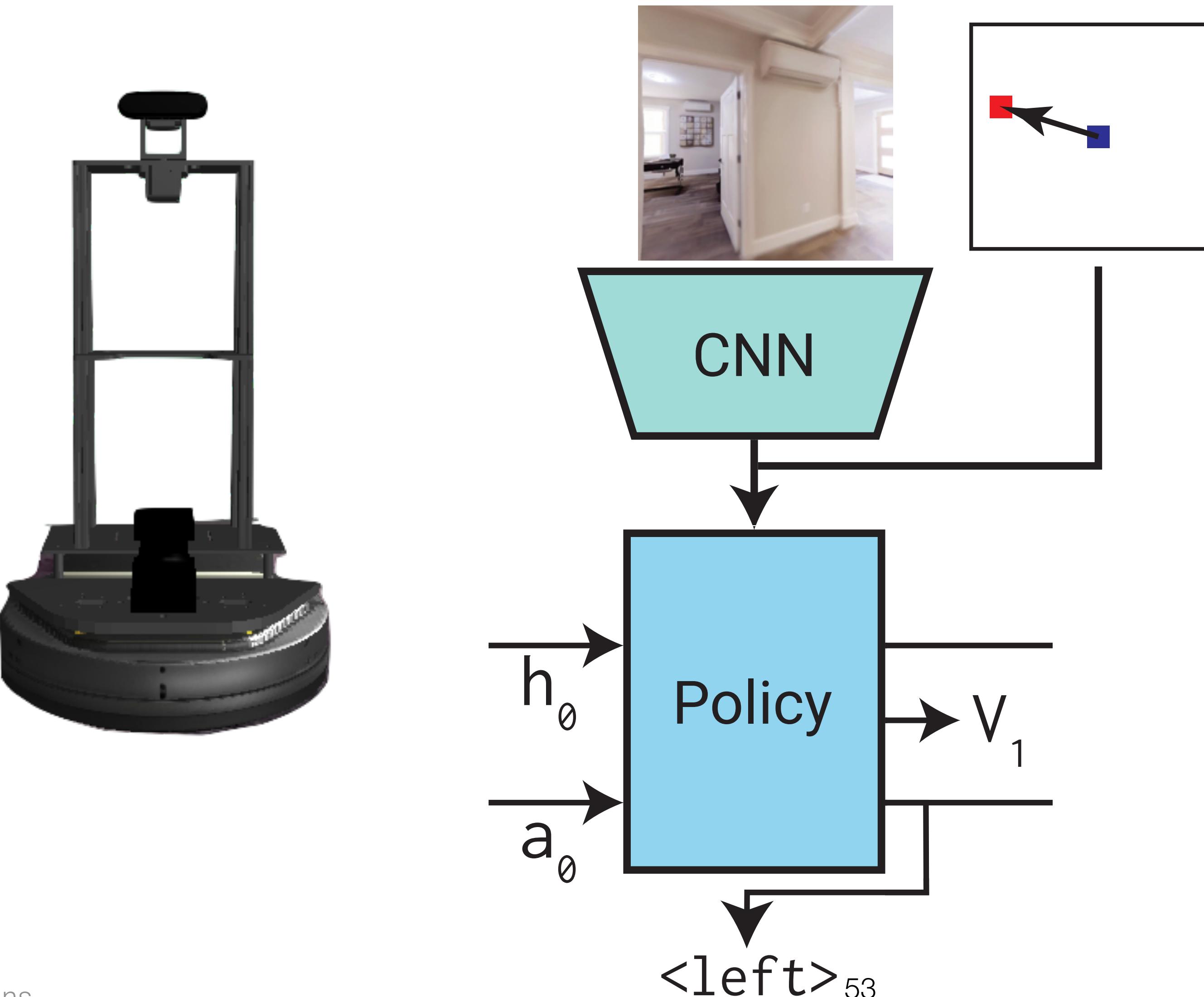
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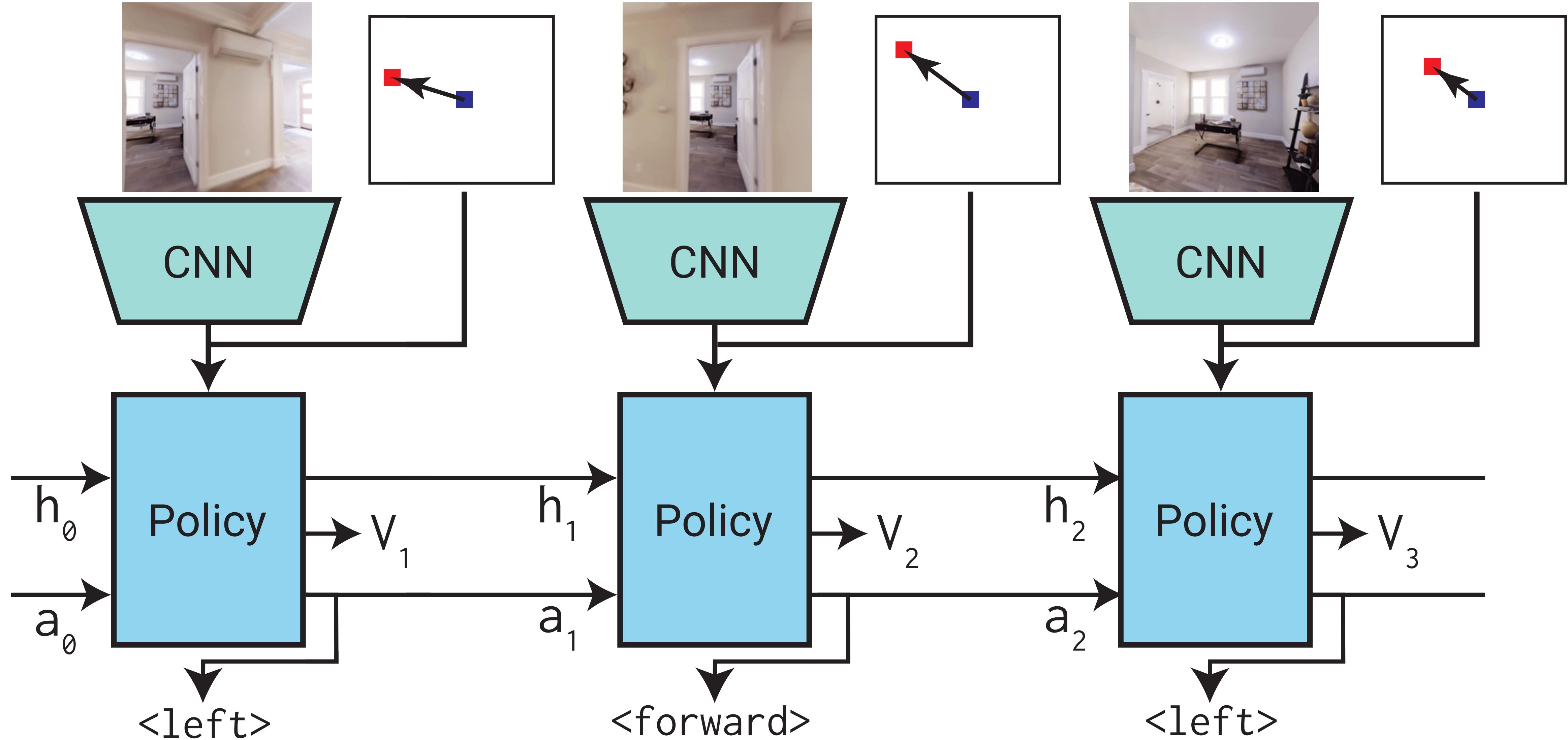
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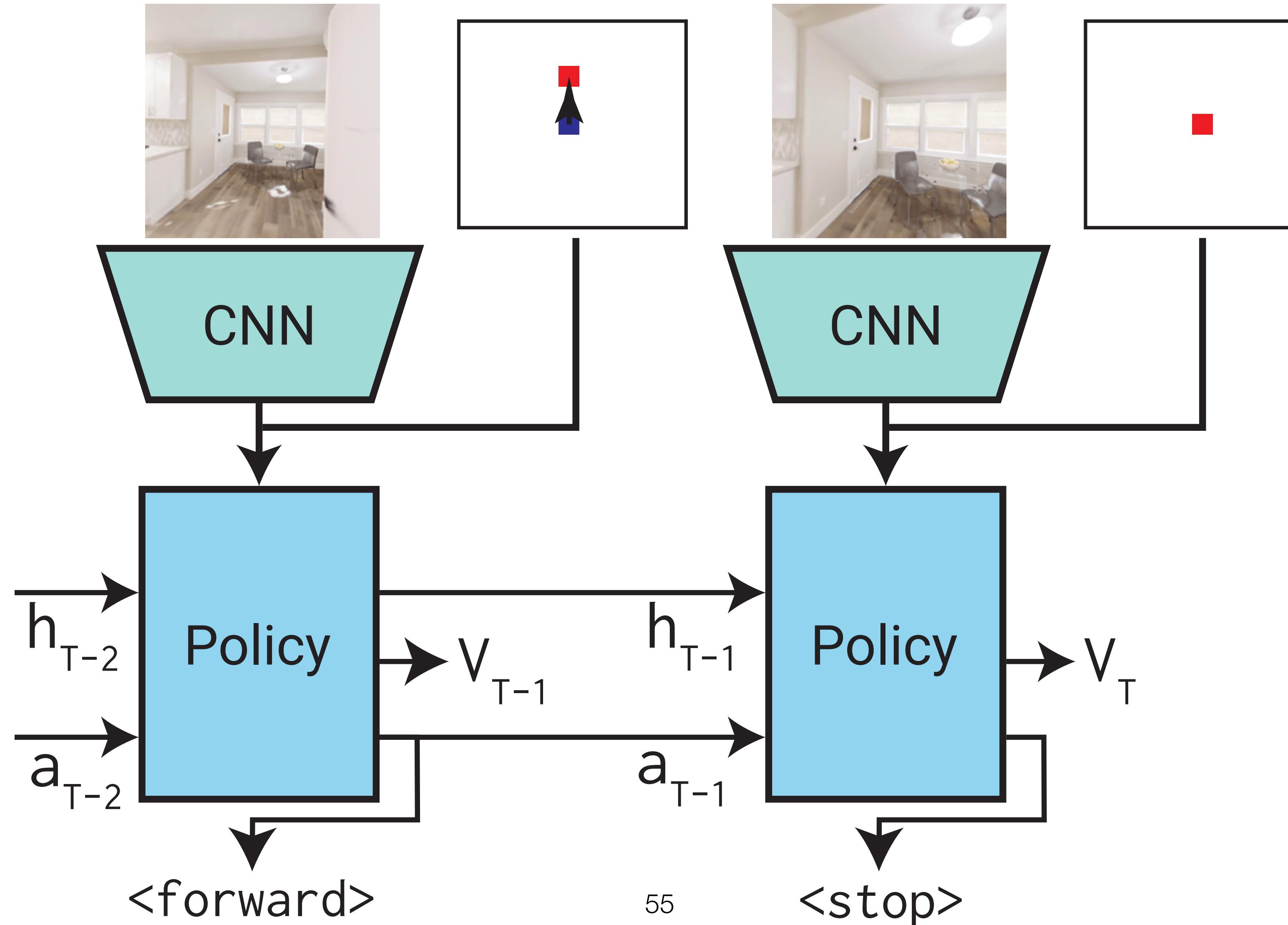
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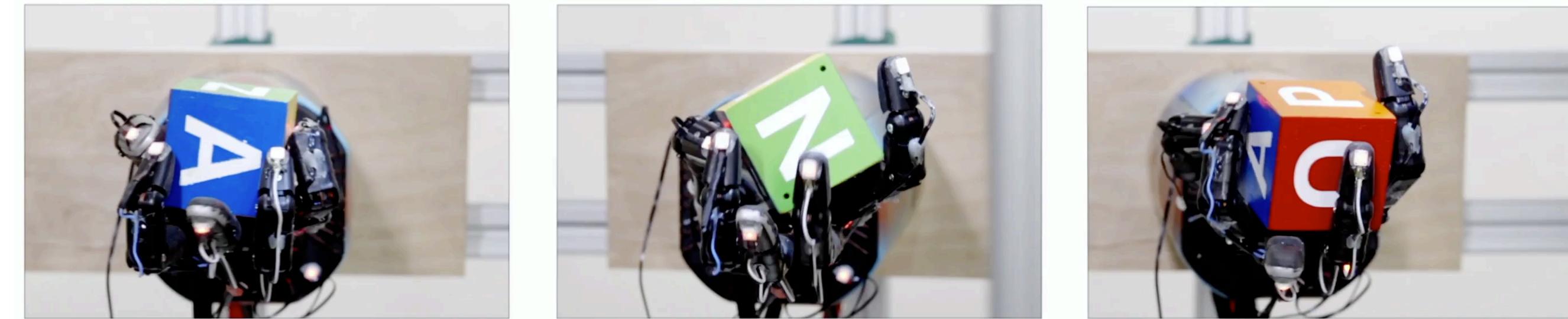
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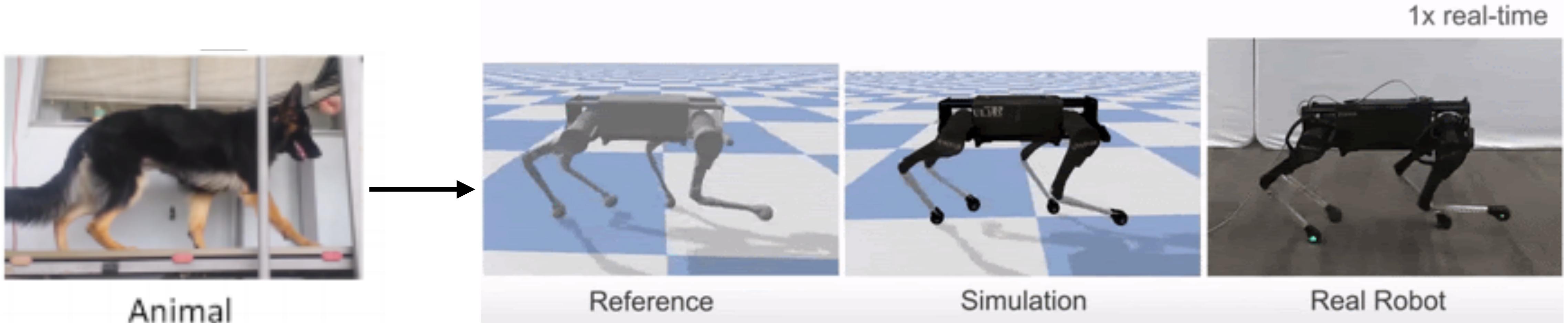
AlphaStar: Mastering the
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FINGER PIVOTING

SLIDING

FINGER GAITING



Animal

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Simulation

Real Robot

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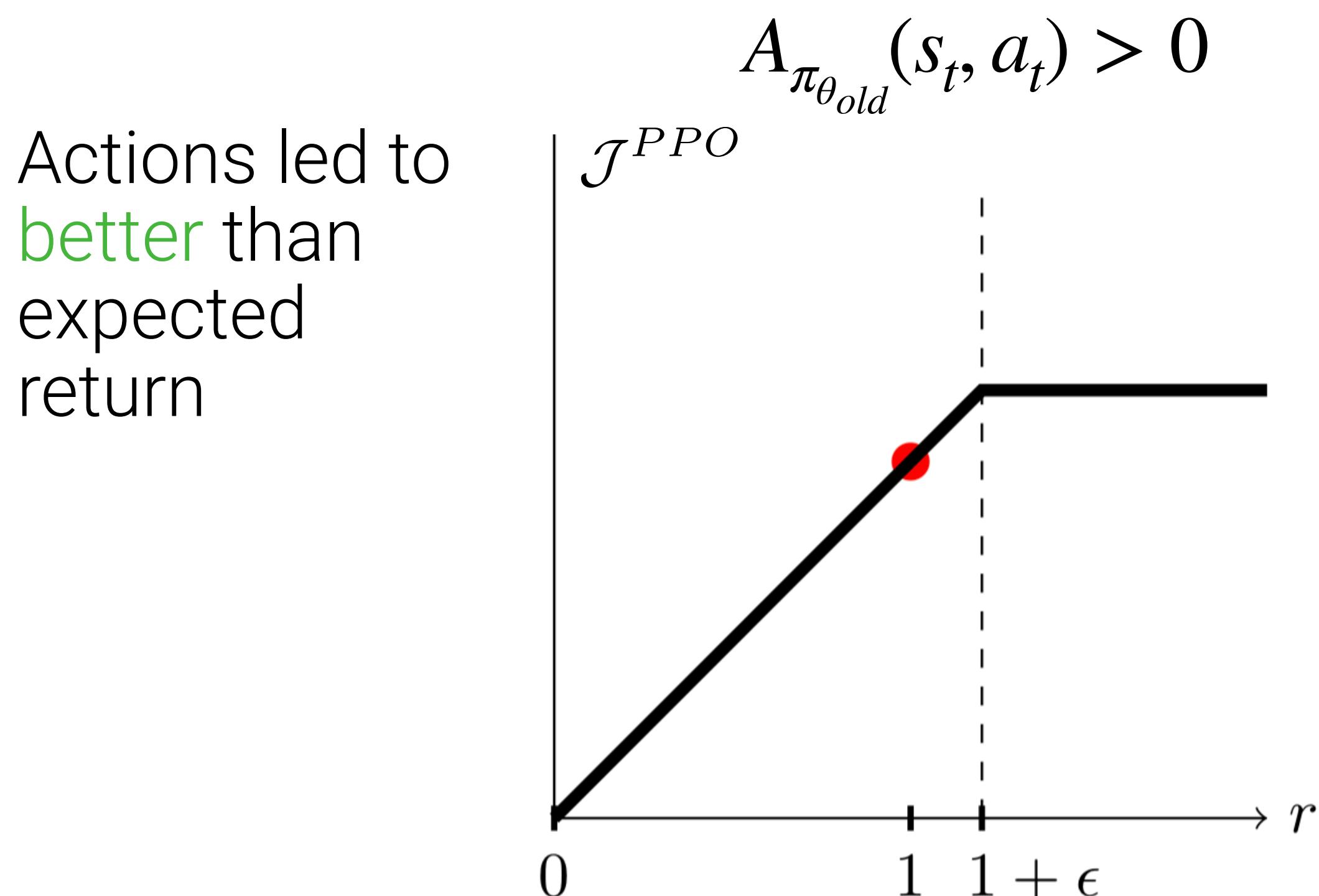
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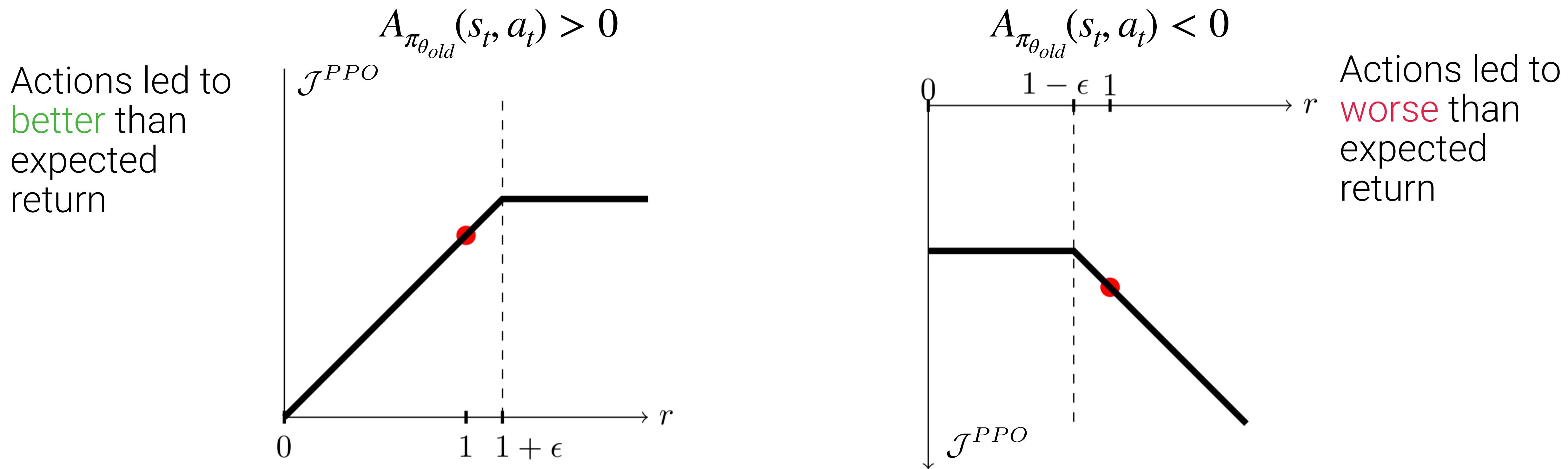
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 - Other methods are more sample efficient

PPO Implementation

1. Collect a set of trajectories using current policy
2. For a few epochs (typically 2 or 4)
 1. Sample mini batches from rollout (typically 2 or 4)
 1. Update the policy via step of PPO/TRPO objective
3. Repeat

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Dynamics Aware Navigation

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A1



AlienGo

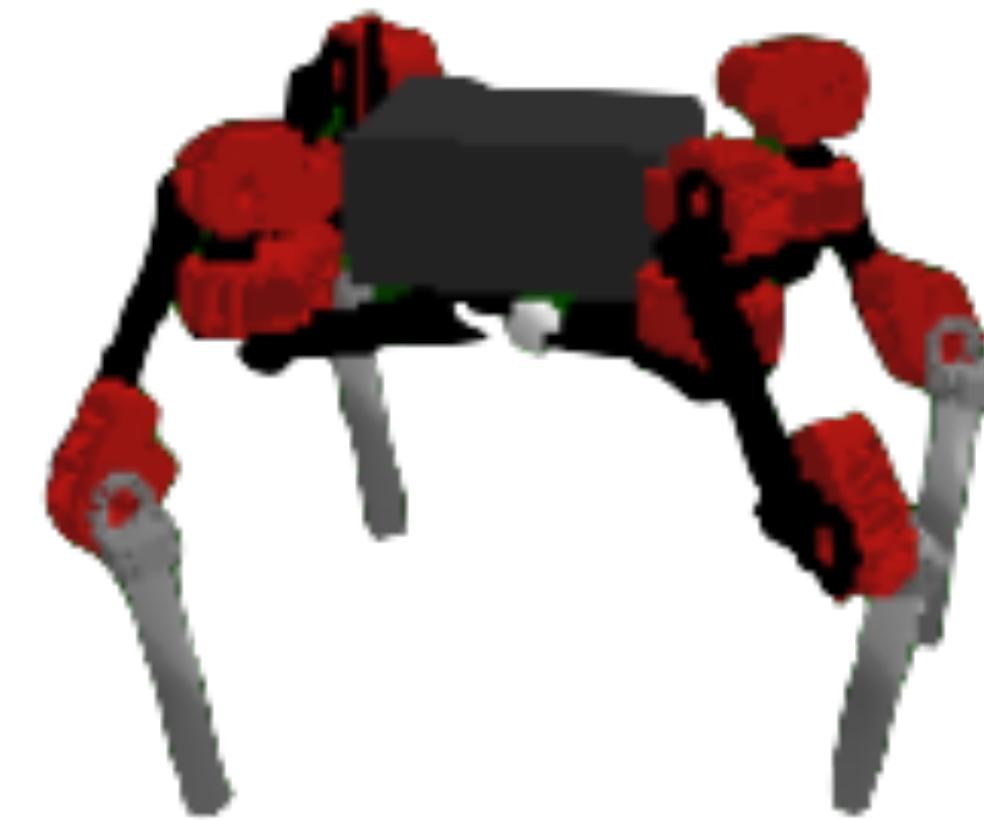


Daisy

How to generalize to new robots?



Laikago



Daisy

Sphere baseline (no dynamics)

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- Idealized agent: sphere
- Given direct access to points along the shortest path to the goal

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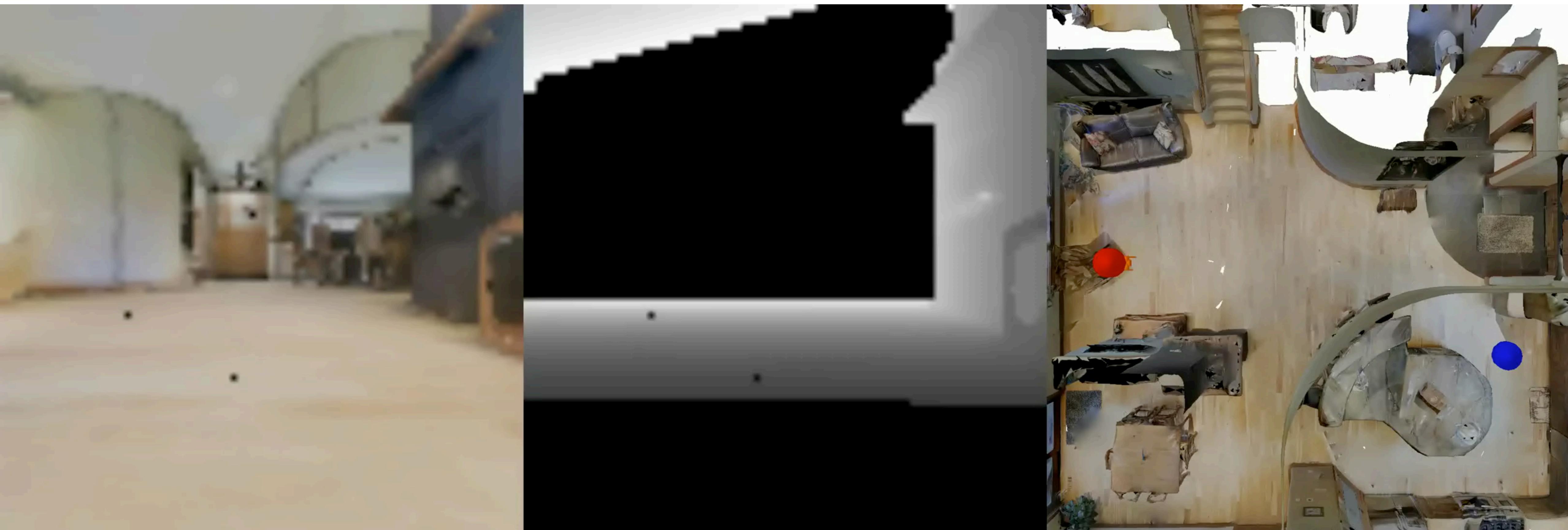


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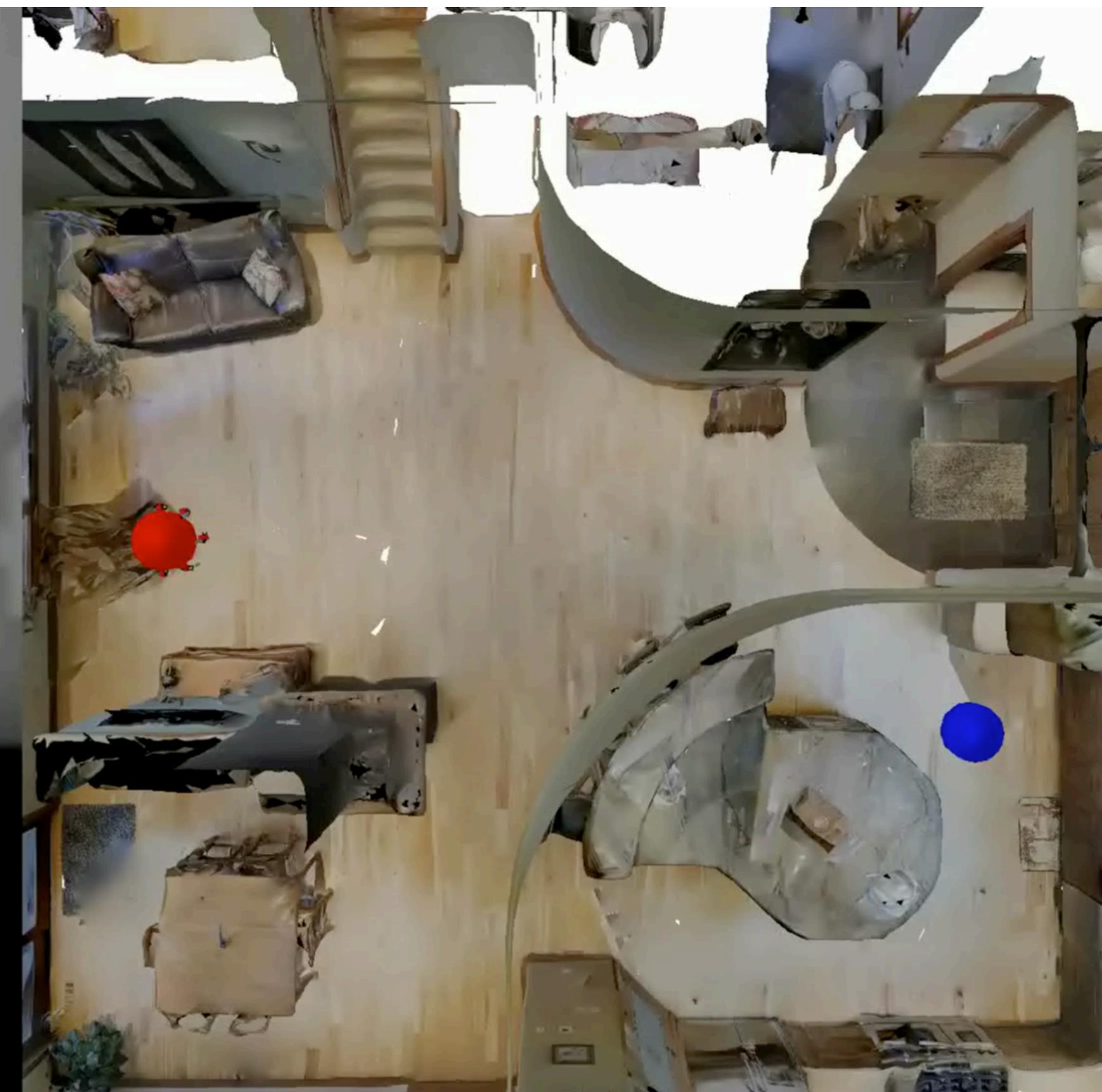
- Trained policy on Daisy robot, deploy on AlienGo

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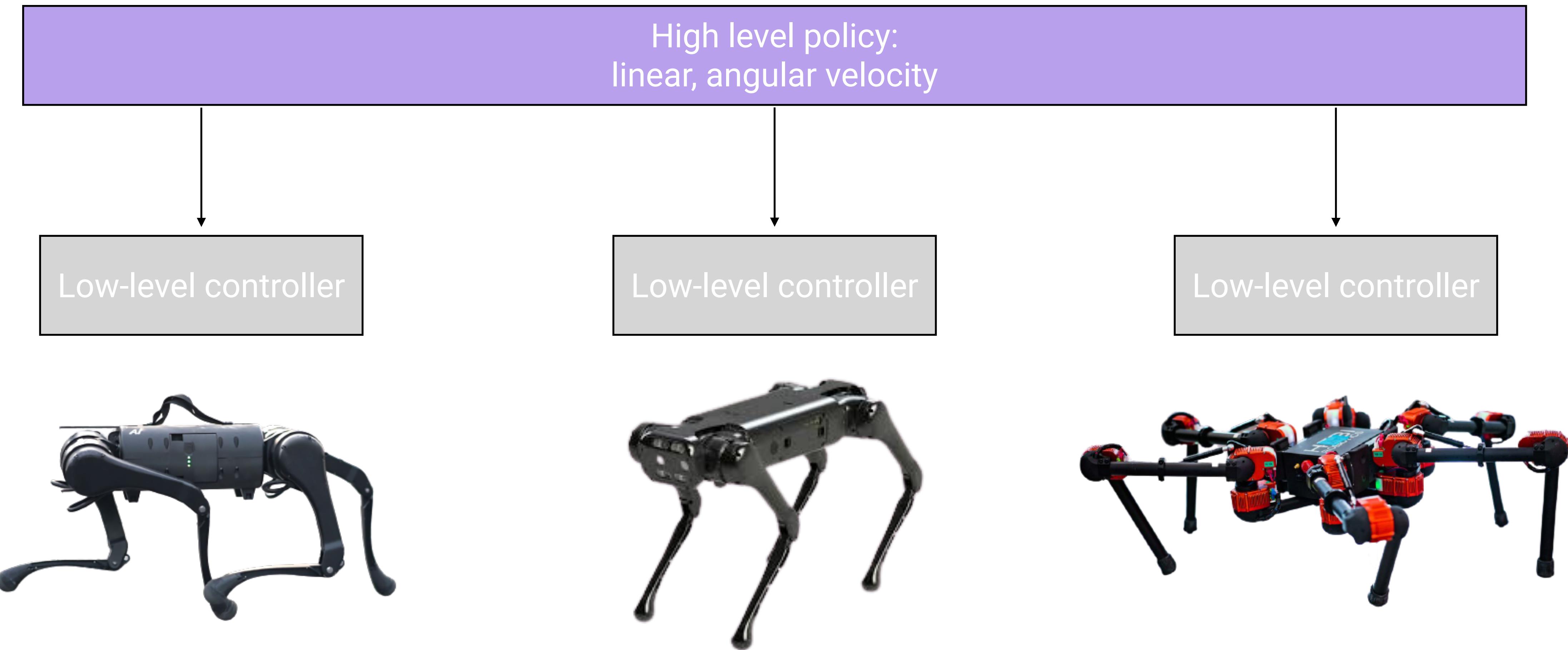


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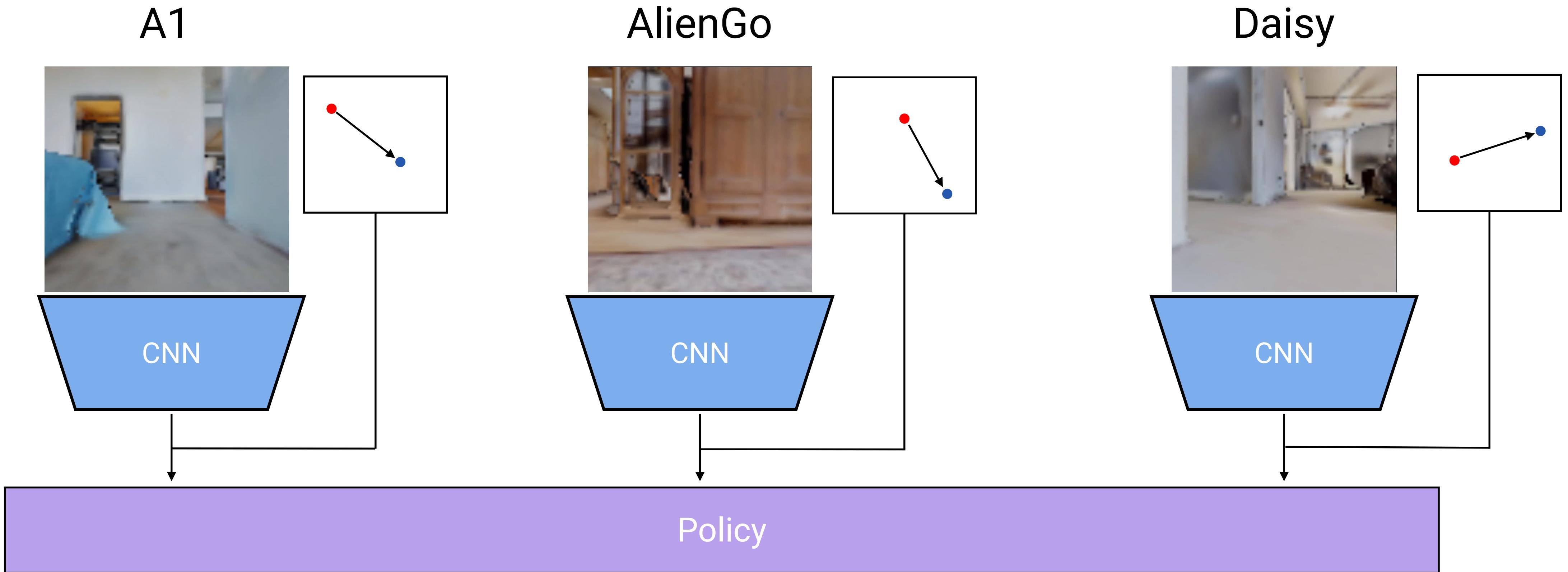
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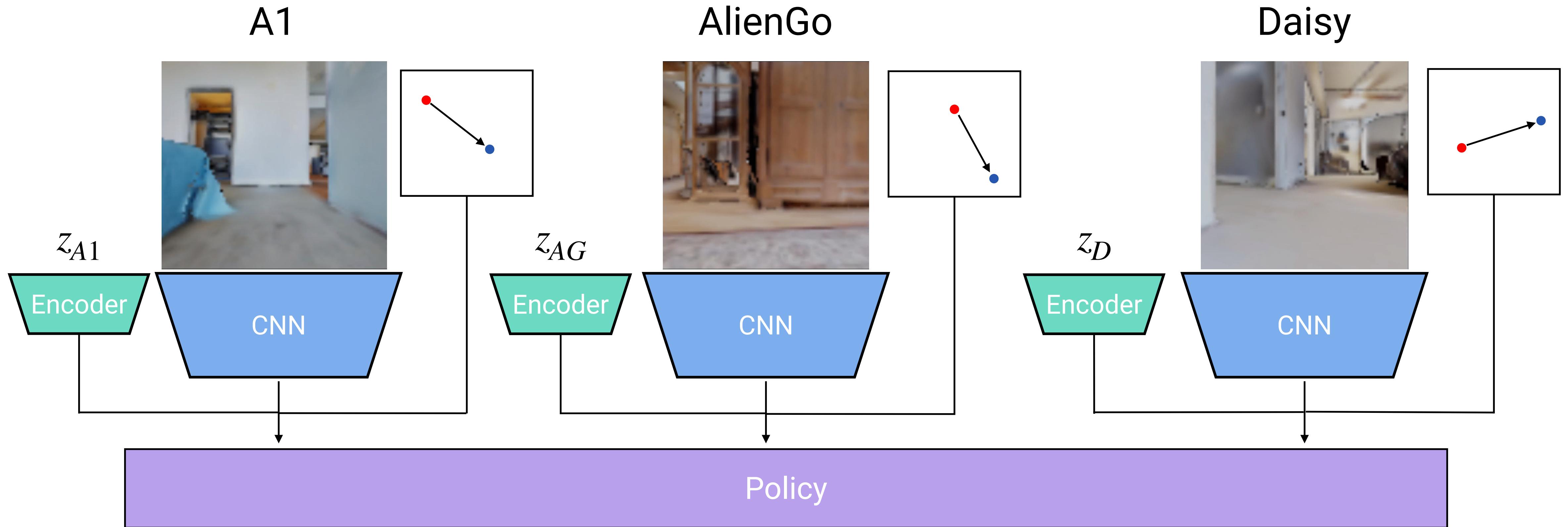
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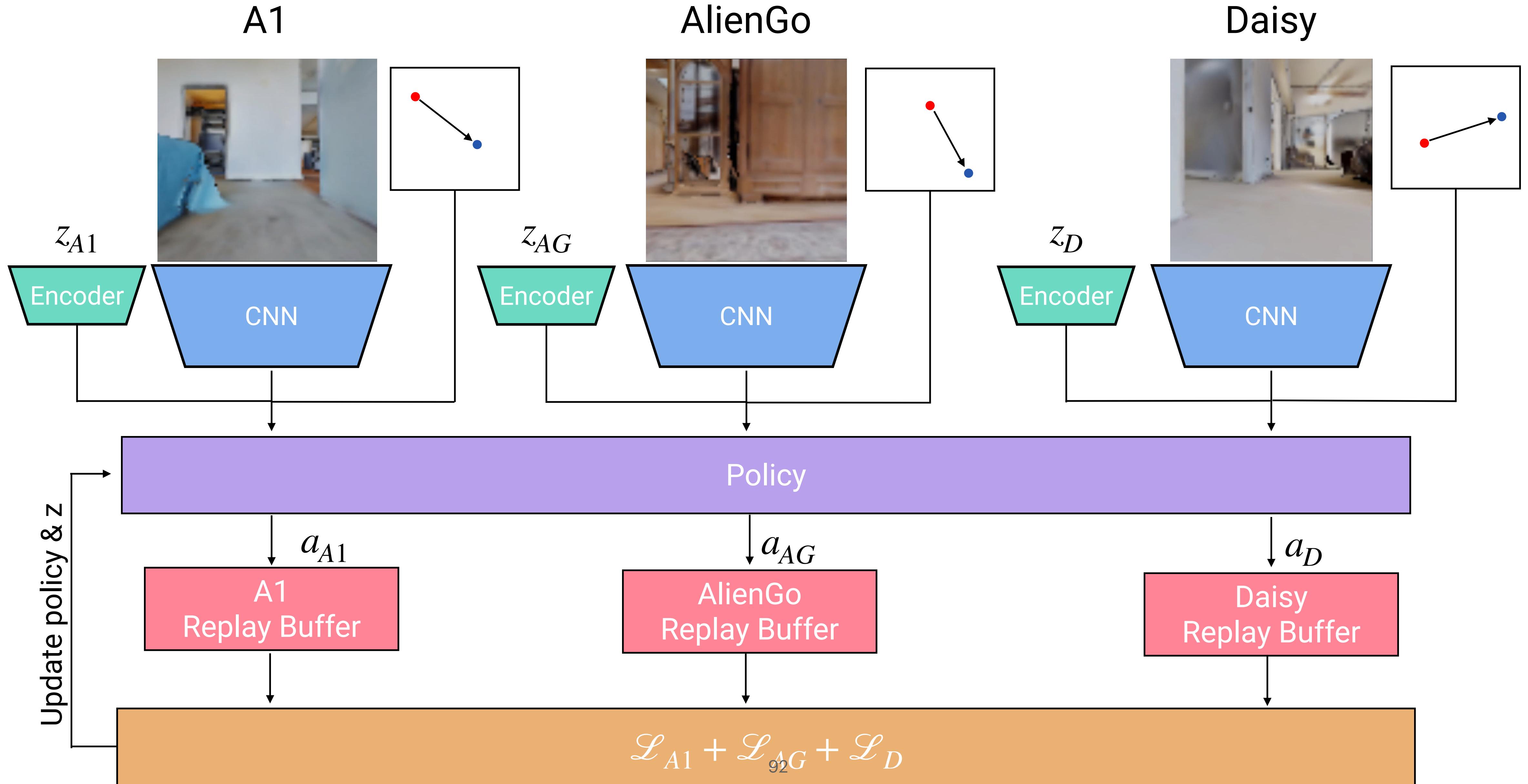
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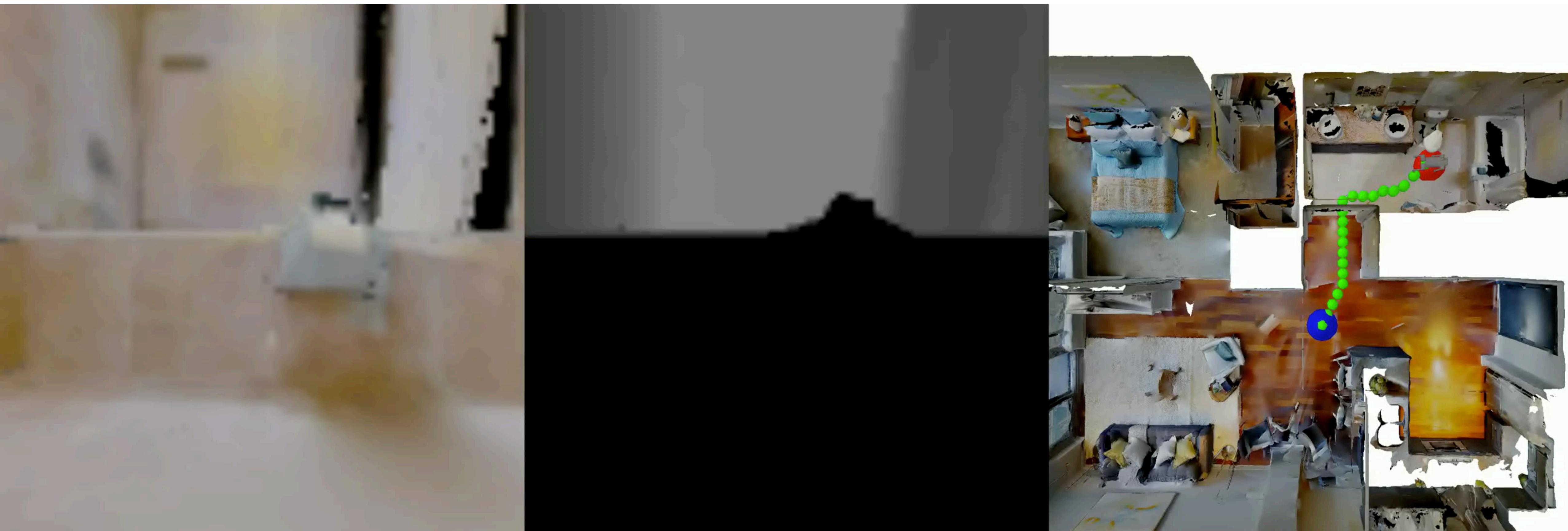


Our approach



A1 (Train robot) in novel environment

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AlienGo (Train robot) in novel environment

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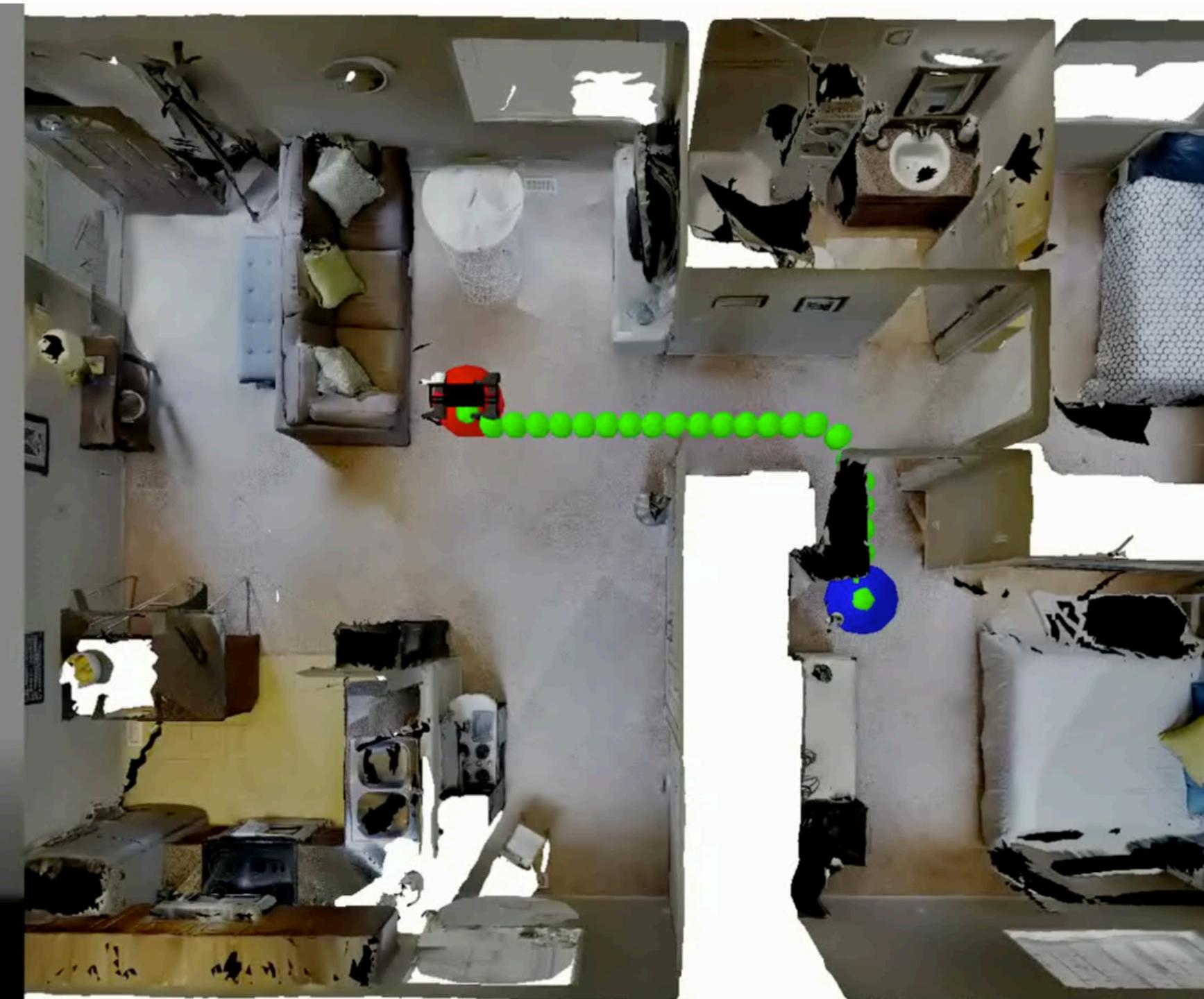
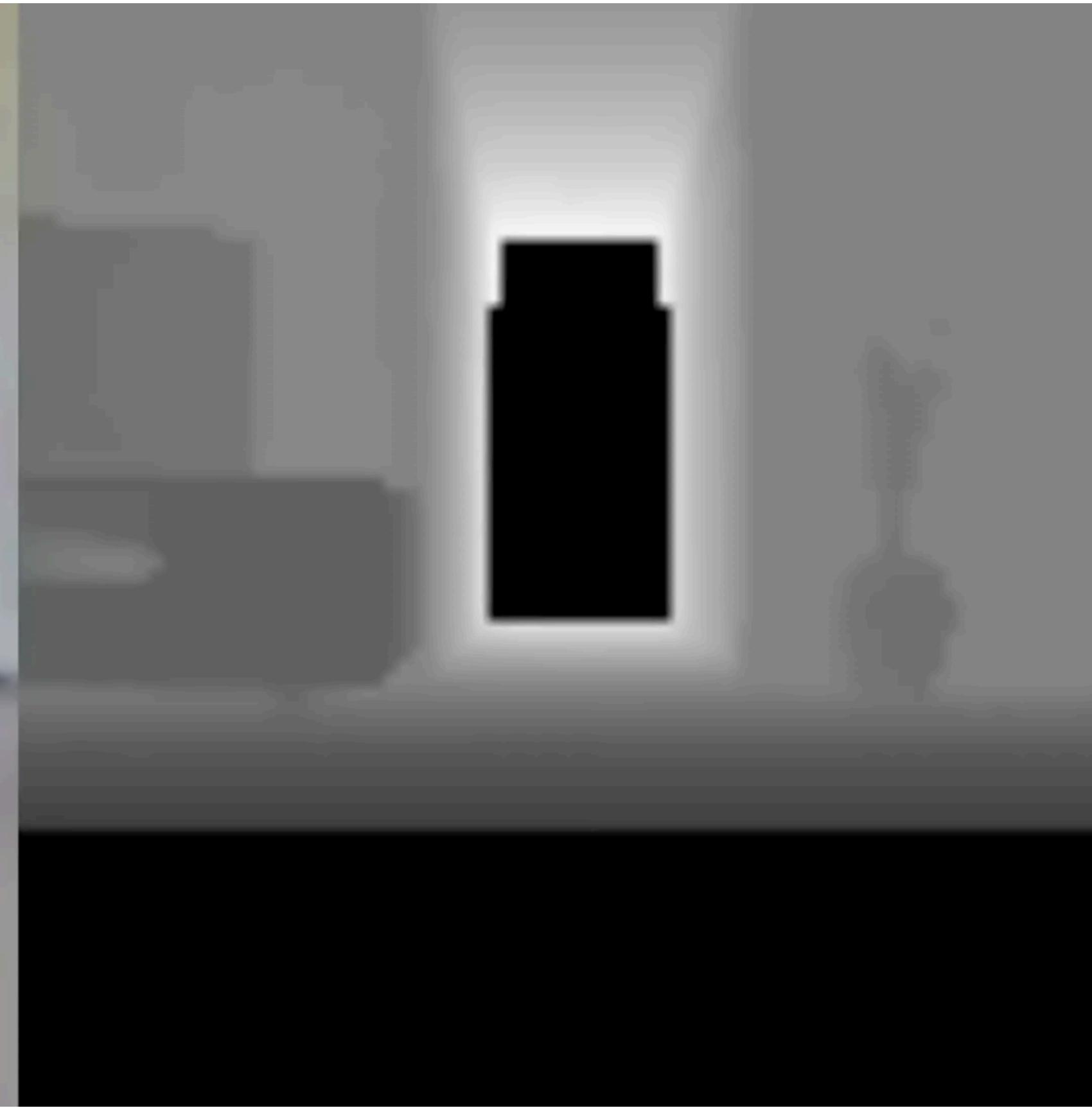
Daisy (Train robot) in novel environment

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Laikago (new robot) in novel environment

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Daisy-4Legged (new robot) in novel environment

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Thank you!

Questions?