

# ROS based Control of a 7- DoF Robot Arm for BMI

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# Self-introduction

- I am a post-doc in the Prof. Cao Qixin's Lab in Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU). The main research areas are machine vision, modularity technology and robot localization.
- Researched in the Prof. Yokoyi's Lab from 2016.7.1~2017.1.31. The research project is an automatic Pick & Place robot arm for the BMI system.



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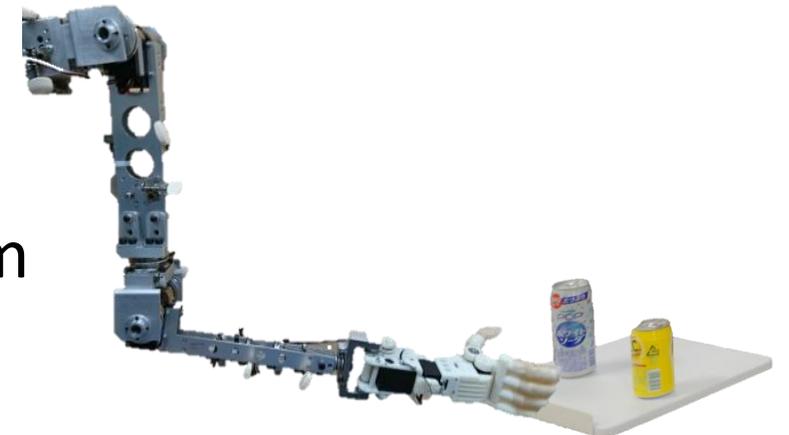
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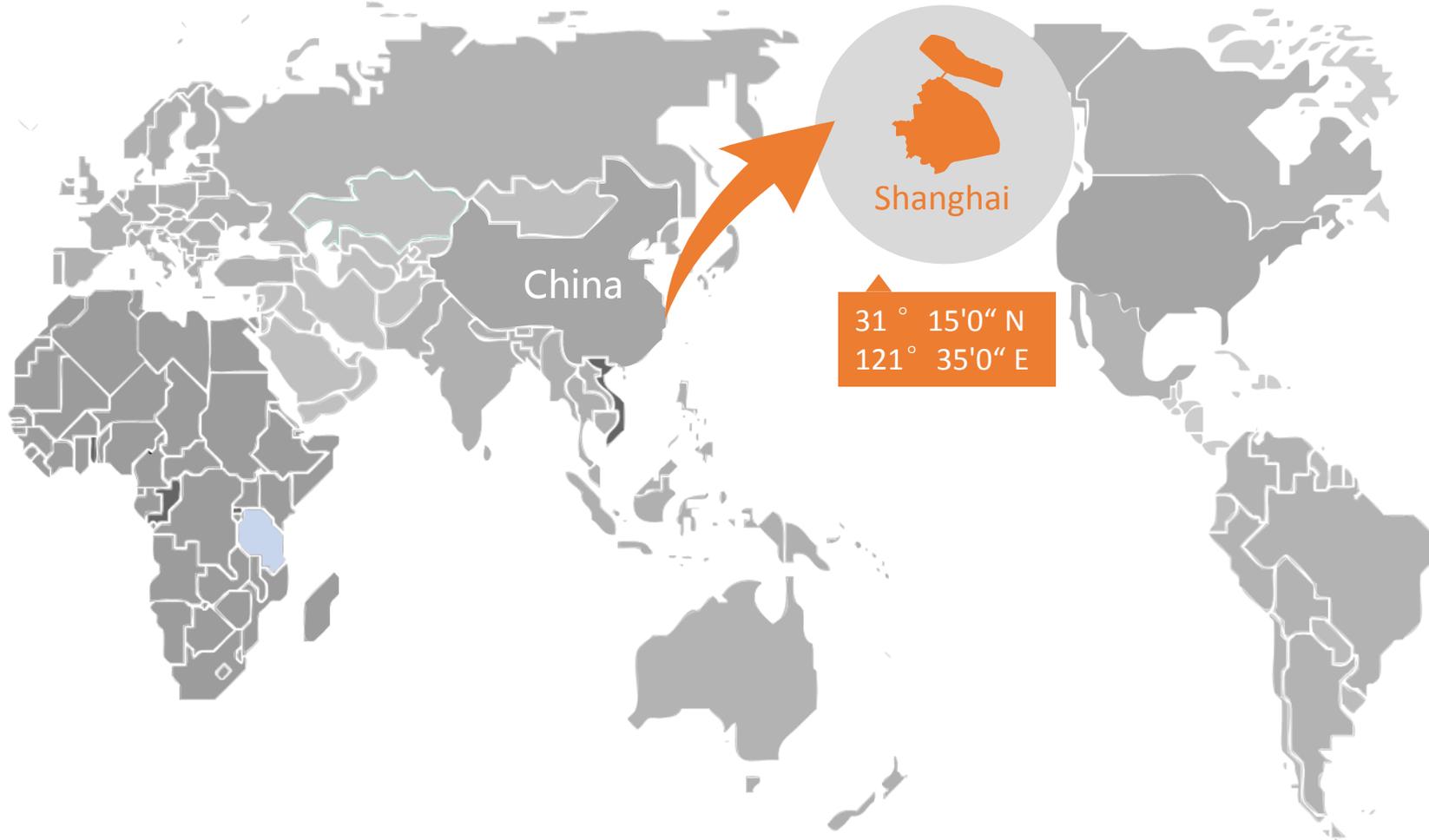


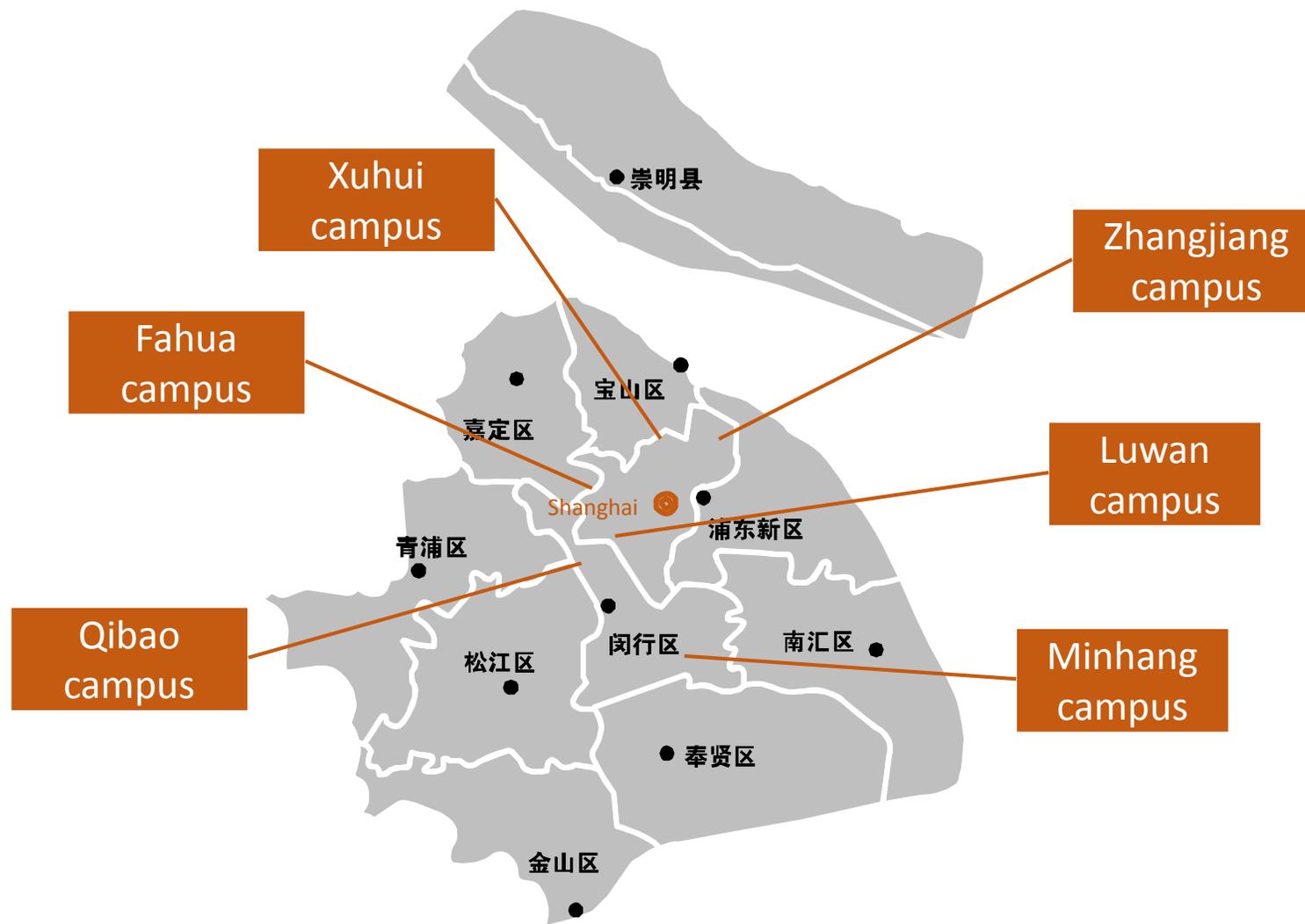
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By December 2015, SJTU has had 29 schools/departments, 25 directly-affiliated institutions, 13 affiliated hospitals, with 16,188 undergraduates and 20,347 postgraduates (13,841 master degree candidates and 6,506 doctorate degree candidates), 2,134 overseas students.

Up to 2015, SJTU led the country for the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year in terms of both the project number and the amount of money issued by National Natural Science Foundation of China, ranked second in sponsored research grants. The total number of SCI-cited papers from 2005 to 2014 reaches 35,488, with 308,723 times of citation, ranking the second in China.



**Robotics Institute of SJTU** was established in 1985(its predecessor was Robot Laboratory established in 1979). One of the earliest robotics professional research organization in China. The existing 30 teachers , about 60 PhD students, more than 50 master students.

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Prof. Ichiro Kato, the father of Japanese humanoid robot, is our honorary director of the Institute during his lifetime.





## Shanghai No. 1 is the China 's first teaching-and-replay robot



Former President Jiang Zemin was watching the performance of "Shanghai No. 1" on the conference of major science and technology



Former Prime Minister Zhu Rongji in Shanghai watched "Shanghai No. 1" Performance, on "the introduction of digestion Exhibition"



## Researching a lot kind of robots



Fire robot



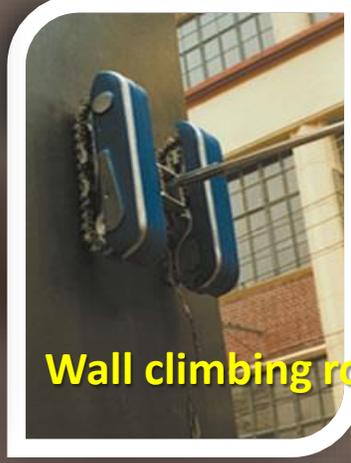
EOD robot



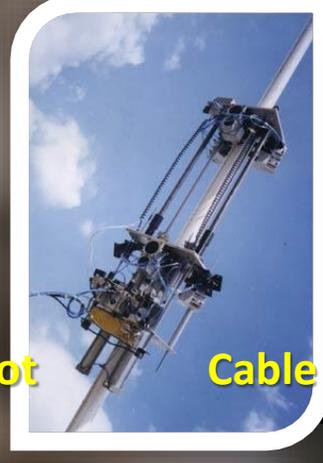
Four legged robot



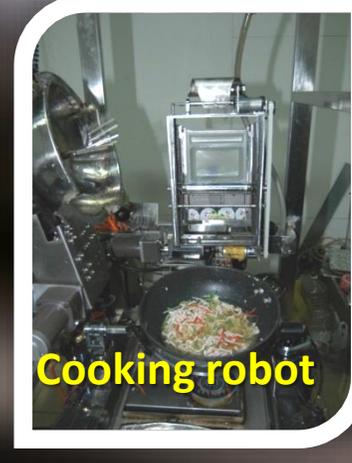
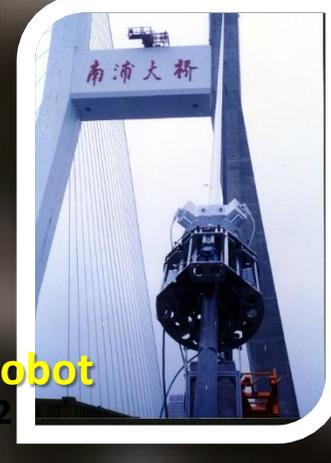
Electric cleaning robot



Wall climbing robot



Cable robot



Cooking robot



## Prof. Cao's Lab



Get the Ph.D. in Agricultural Mechanical Engineering, Kagoshima University, Japan. And then teaching in SJTU from 1998. He is the executive deputy director of the Institute of Robotics and the director of the Institute of Biomedical Manufacturing and Life Quality Engineering.

Published more than 70 SCI/EI journal papers, obtained 90 Chinese patents, and 4 Chinese academic awards.

Robots



Agricultural

Competition

Service

Industry

Medical



## Robots for Agricultural





Prof. Cao, guided students to participate in the NHK 1998 ROBOCON competition in Japan won the mayor Award. And he organized the first china's robot football competition in 2002. Since 2003, he began as the CCTV National College robot contest evaluation expert





## Service robot and special robot





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## Service robot and special robot

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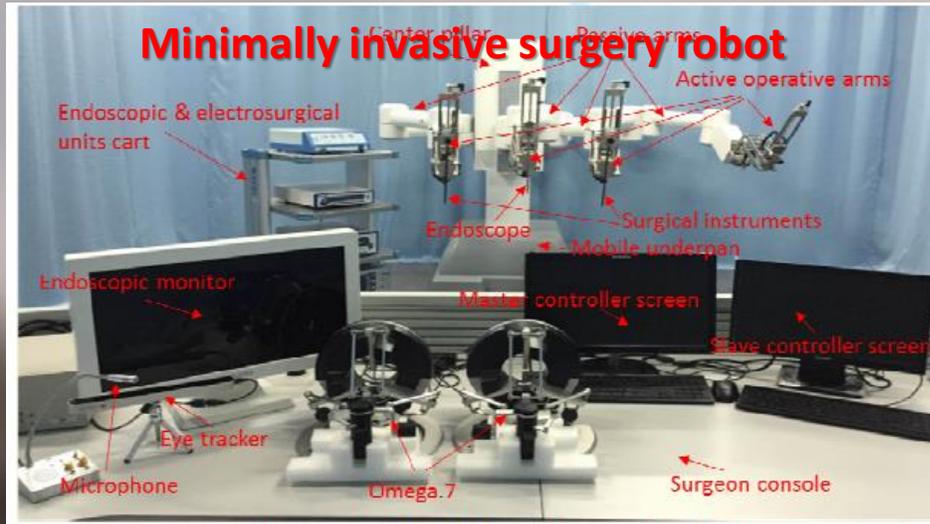
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## Industrial robot





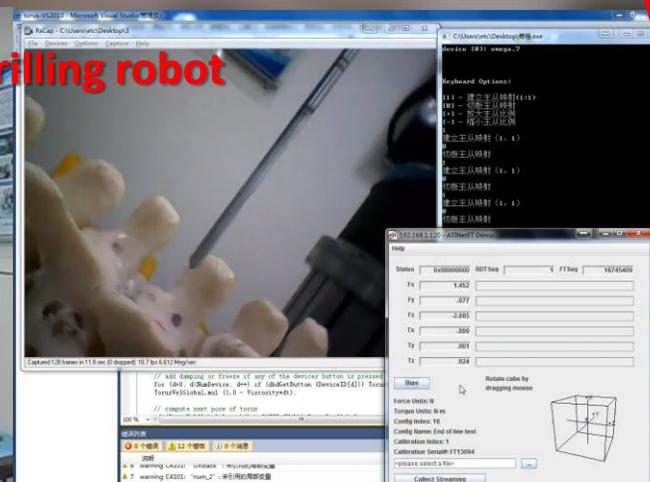
# Medical robots



Working assistant robot



Spinal drilling robot



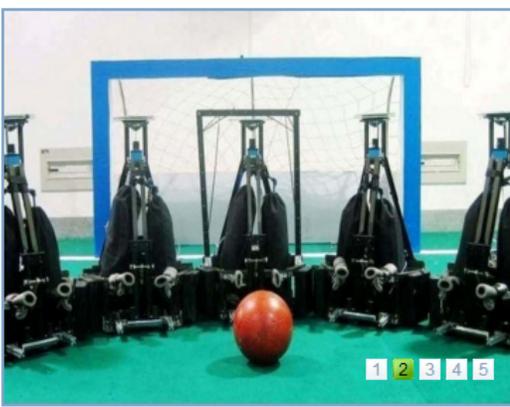


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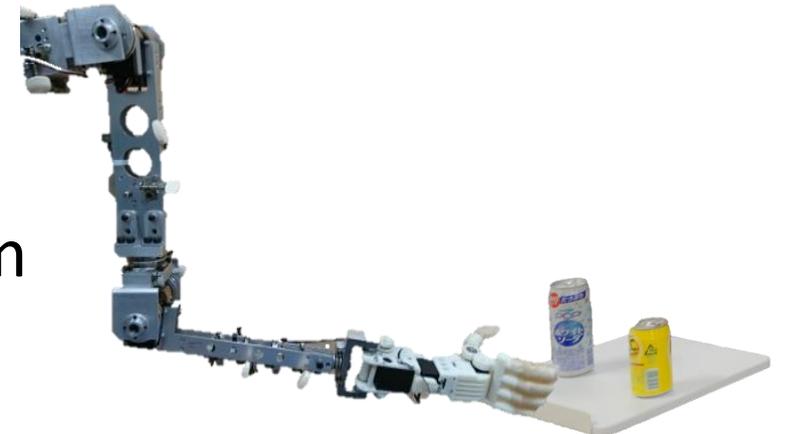
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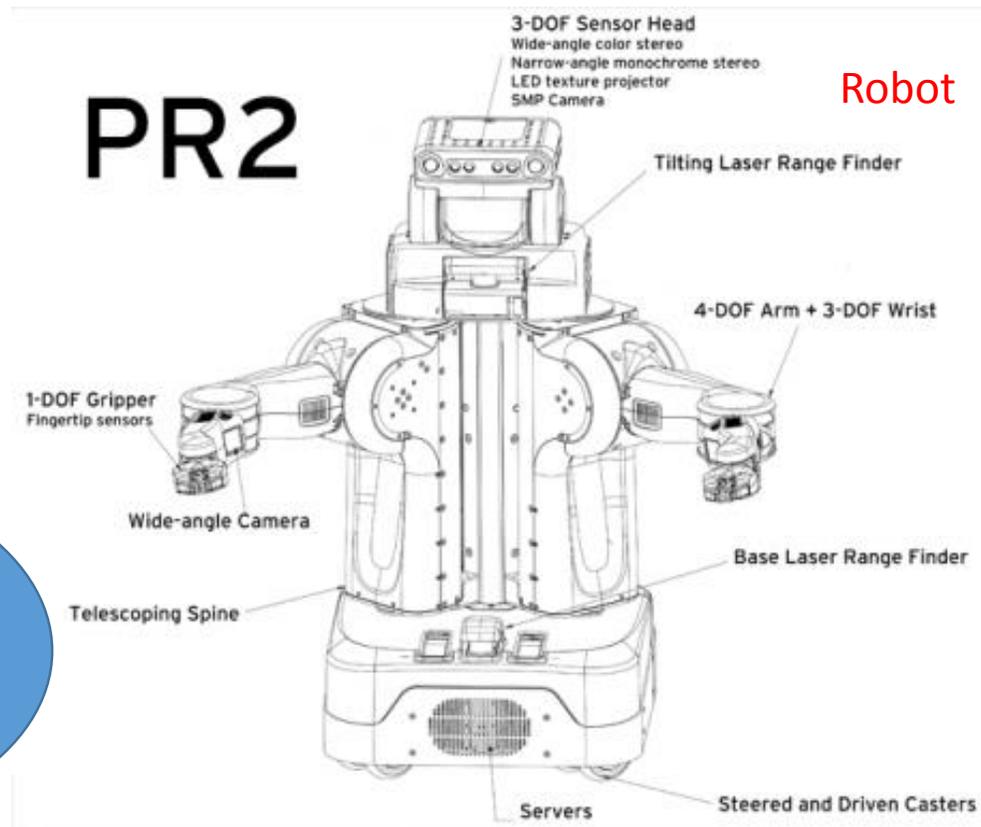
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# How to develop a robot system?



Develop a PR2 robot



## Applications



# How to develop a robot system?

Ok, I need a team.  
Divide the work



## Hardware

- Body
- Arm
- Mobile base
- Head
- Sensors
- ⋮



## Software

- Drivers
- Algorithms
- System managers
- Database
- Applications
- ⋮

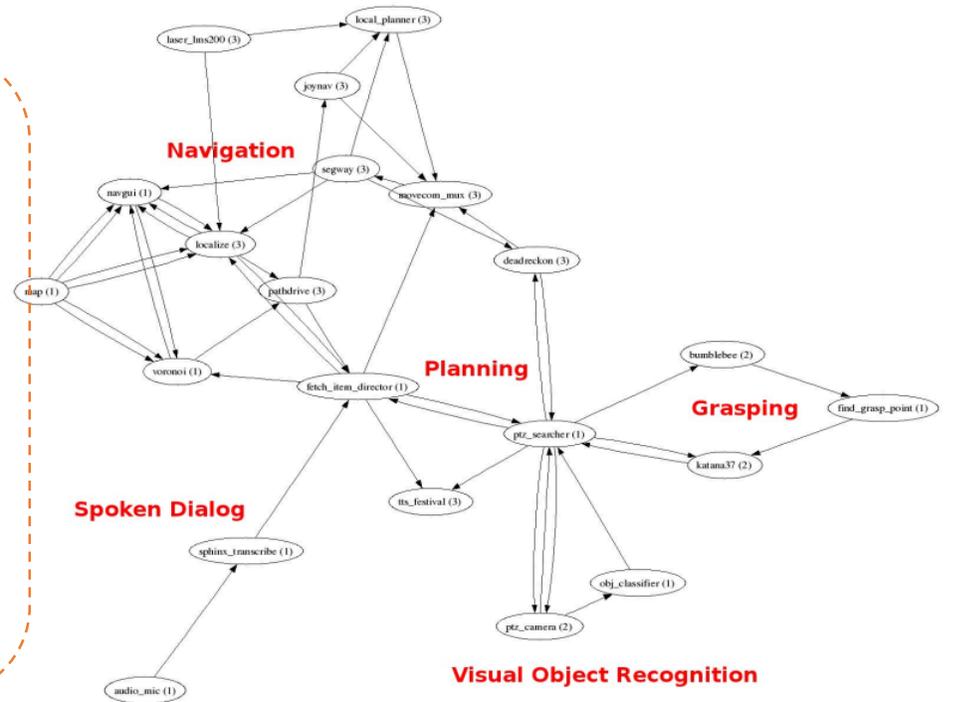
# How to develop a robot system?

I need to manage the system



Structure clear  
Robust  
Easy management  
Extendable  
Easy updating

⋮



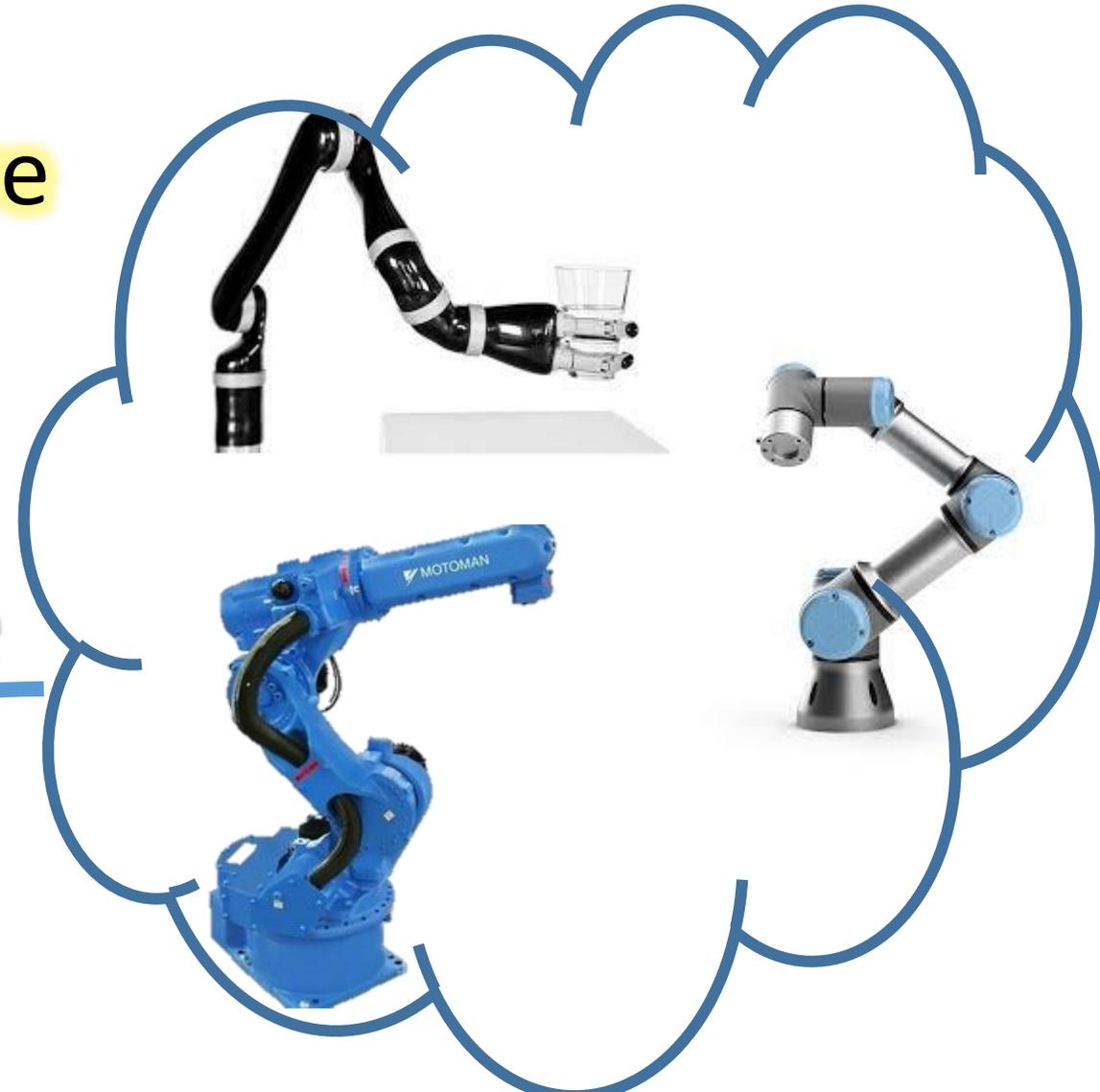
# How to develop a robot system?

Laziness is human nature

I developed a similar arm  
Reuse the design and code



Reuse



# How to develop a robot system?

  **Divide+Manage+Reuse+...**

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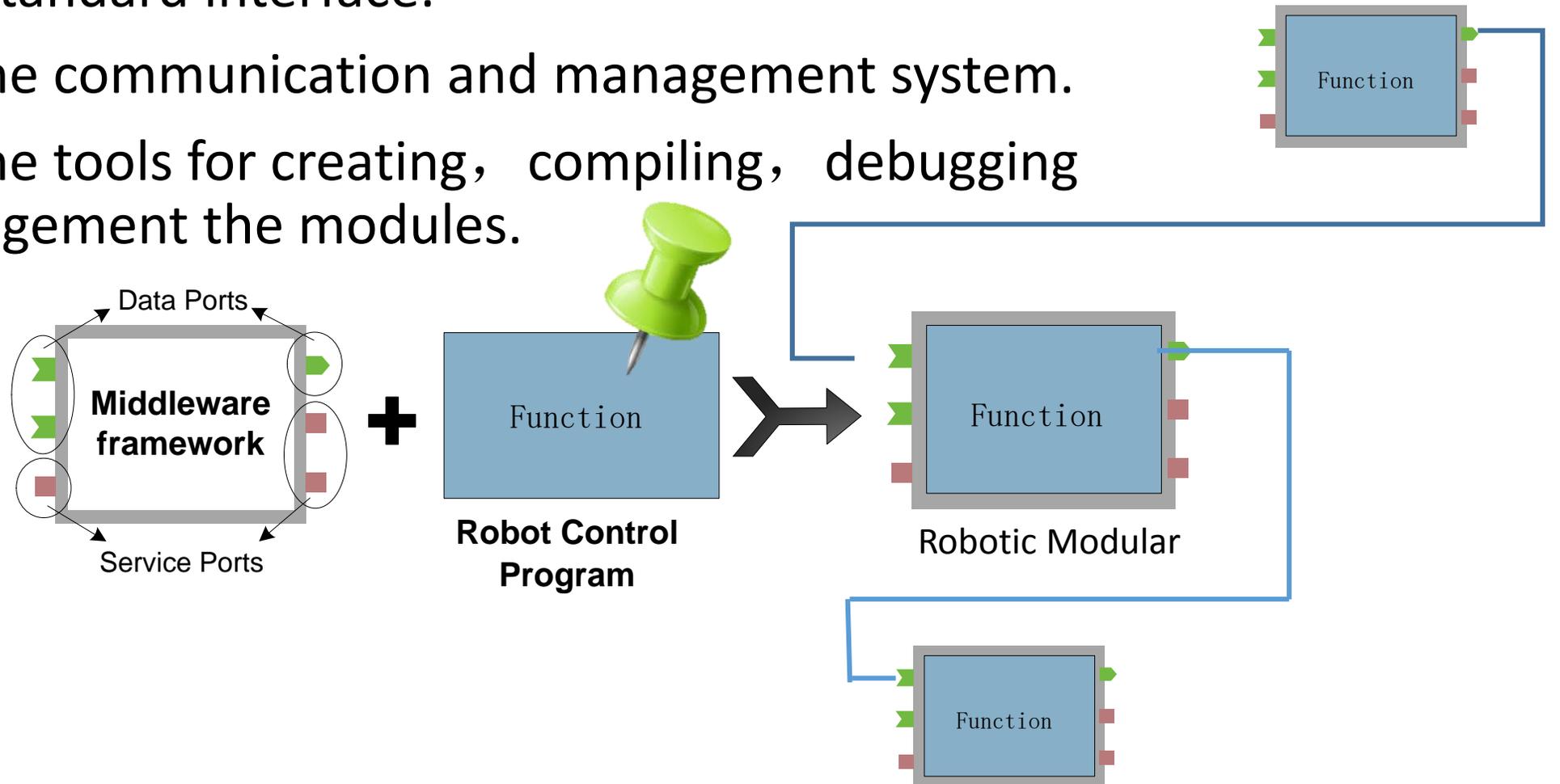
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**Modularity  
Technology**

# Robot modularity technology

- Define a standard interface.
- Provide the communication and management system.
- Provide the tools for creating, compiling, debugging and management the modules.

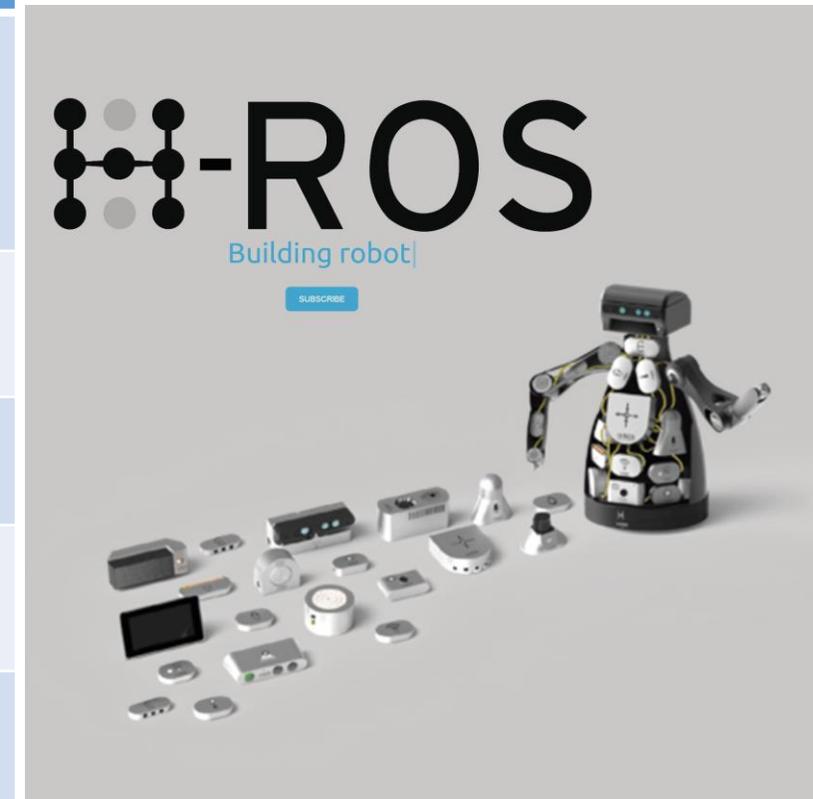


# Robot modularity technology

name	organization	Used standard
OROCOS	K.U. Leuven in Belgium , LAAS Toulouse in France and KTH Stockholm in Sweden, <a href="http://www.oroocos.org/">www.oroocos.org/</a>	CORBA
Orca	KTH Stockholm, <a href="http://orca-robotics.sourceforge.net/">orca-robotics.sourceforge.net/</a>	Ice
ROS	Willow Garage , <a href="http://www.ros.org/">www.ros.org/</a>	TCPROS
OpenRT M-aist	Object Management Group (OMG) and AIST, <a href="http://www.openrtm.org">www.openrtm.org</a>	CORBA



Miro, UPnP Robot Middleware, ASEBA, Player / Stage, The PEIS Kernel, OriN, MARIE, RSCA, The Middleware of AWARE, Sensory Data Processing Middleware, Distributed Humanoid Robots Middleware, Layer for Incorporation, WURDE



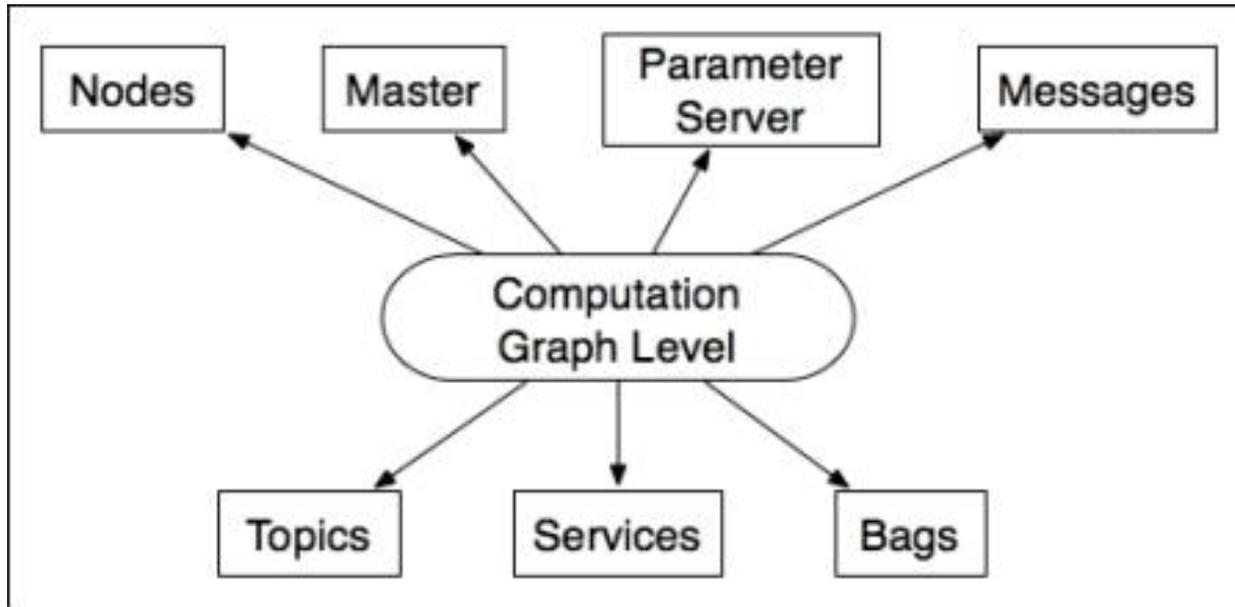
# ROS(Robot Operating System)

- The ROS is a flexible framework for writing robot software. It is a collection of tools, libraries, and conventions that aim to simplify the task of creating complex and robust robot behavior across a wide variety of robotic platforms.
- ROS is open-source and encourage *collaborative* robotics software development.

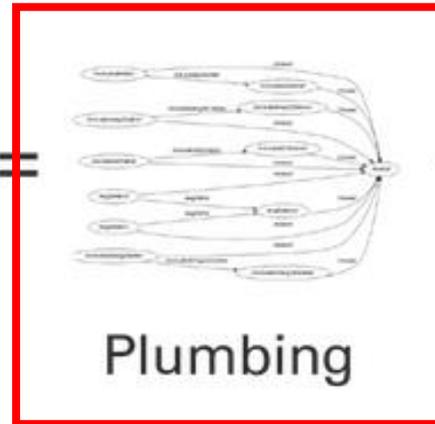
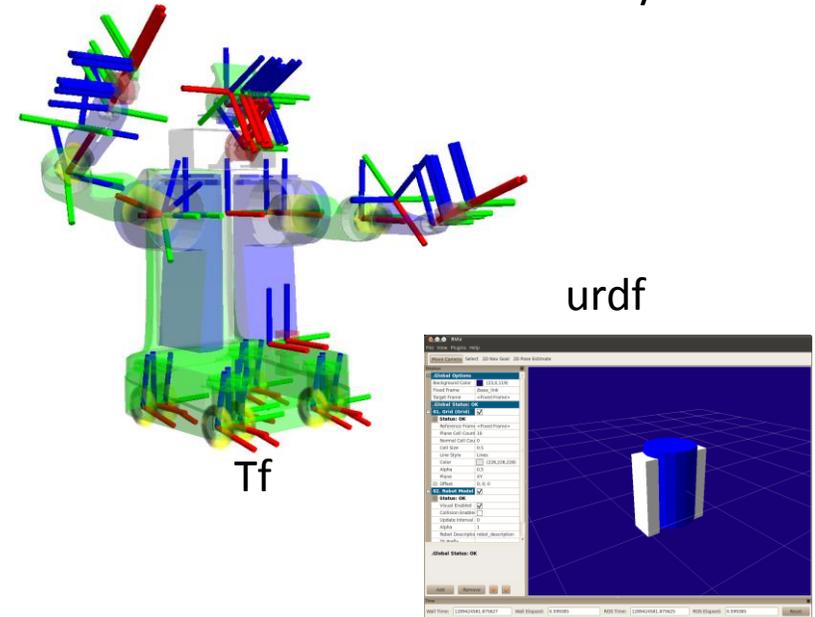


# Introduction of ROS

Peer-to-peer graph network system



Robot-oriented functionality



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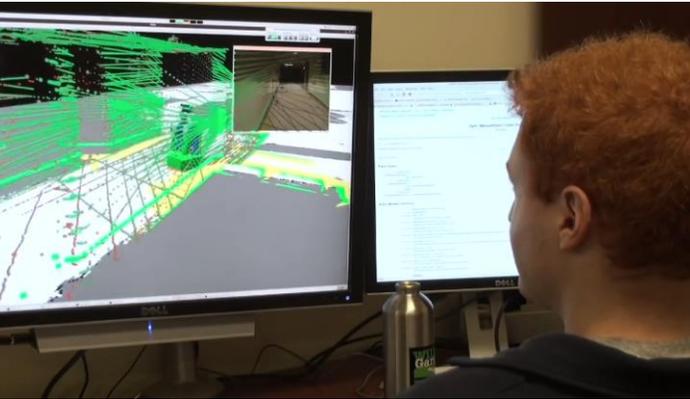
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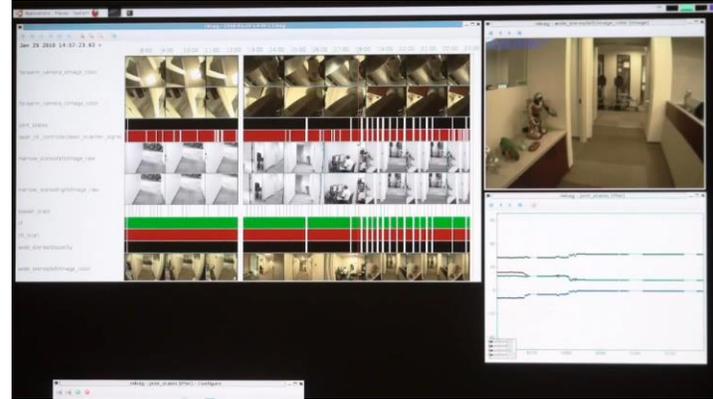
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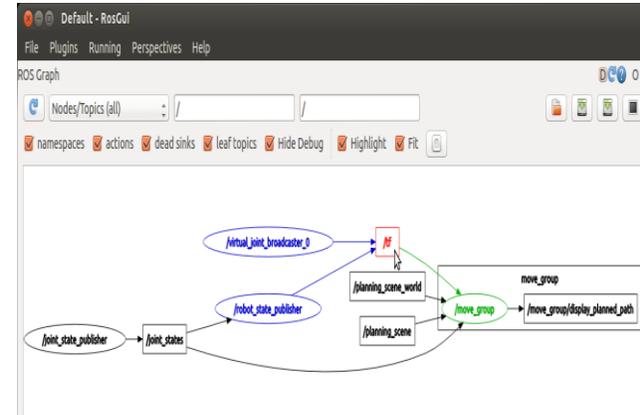
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Data recording and playing back



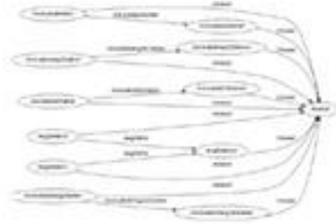
System monitor



Command Line Tools



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Plumbing

+



Tools

+



Capabilities

+



Ecosystem



# Introduction of ROS

- ROS wiki
- ROS Answer
- ROS blog
- ROSCon



ROSCon 2016 Seoul Day 2 Lightning Talk: ...  
Smart factory based on ROS



ROS greatly accelerating the development



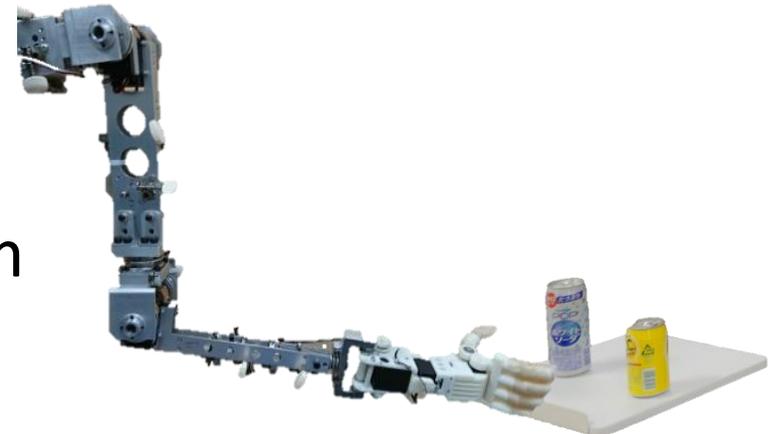
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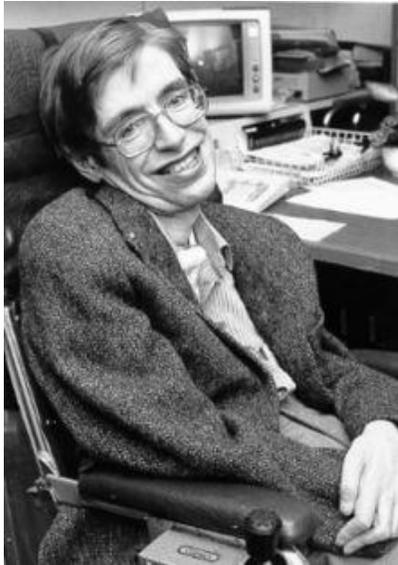


# Background

**Paralysis** (麻痺) is loss of muscle function for one or more muscles.

**Reason:** damage in the nervous system, such as, stroke, trauma with nerve injury, poliomyelitis, ALS, etc.

ALS(Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis,筋萎縮性側索硬化症)

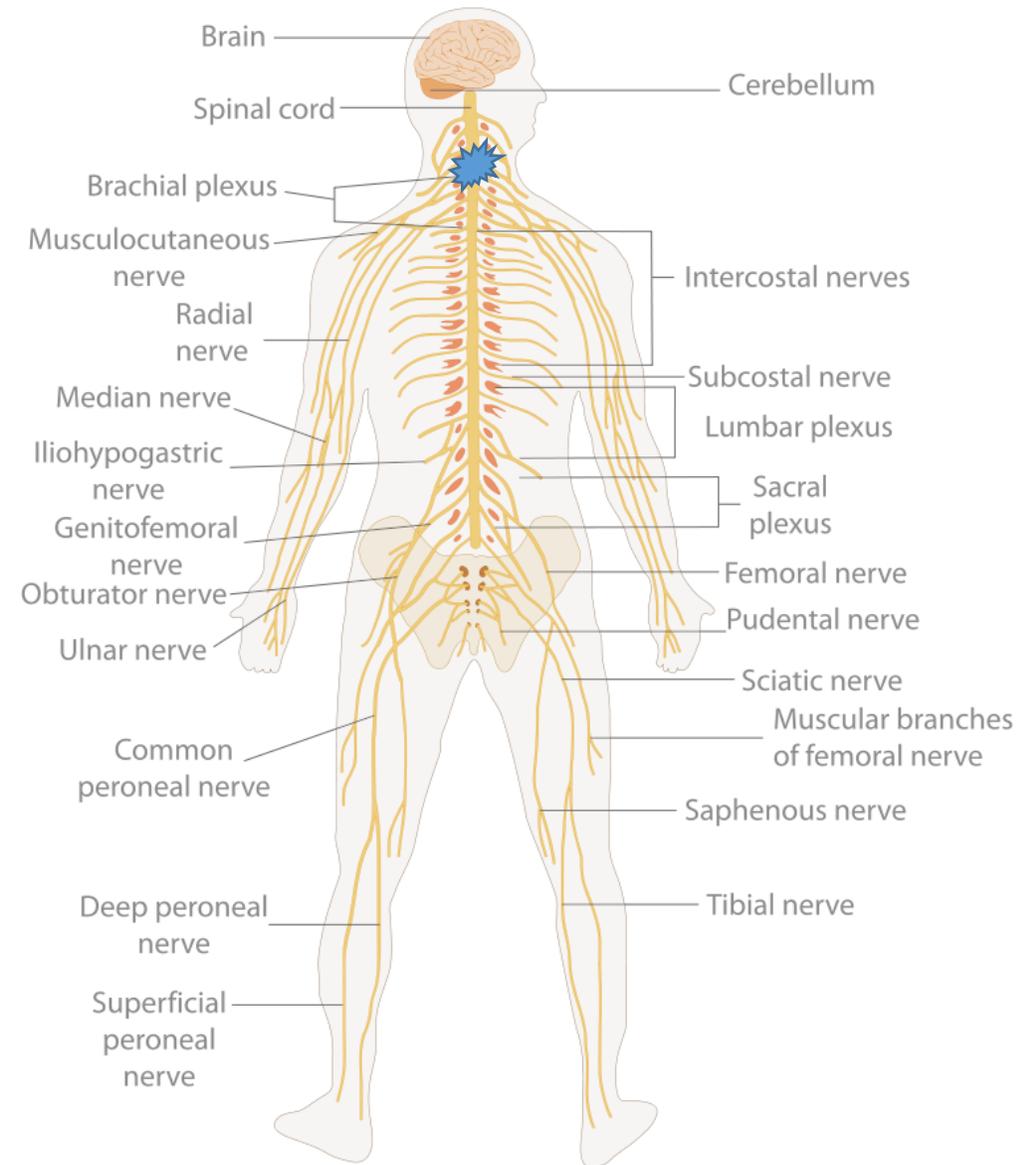


Stephen William Hawking

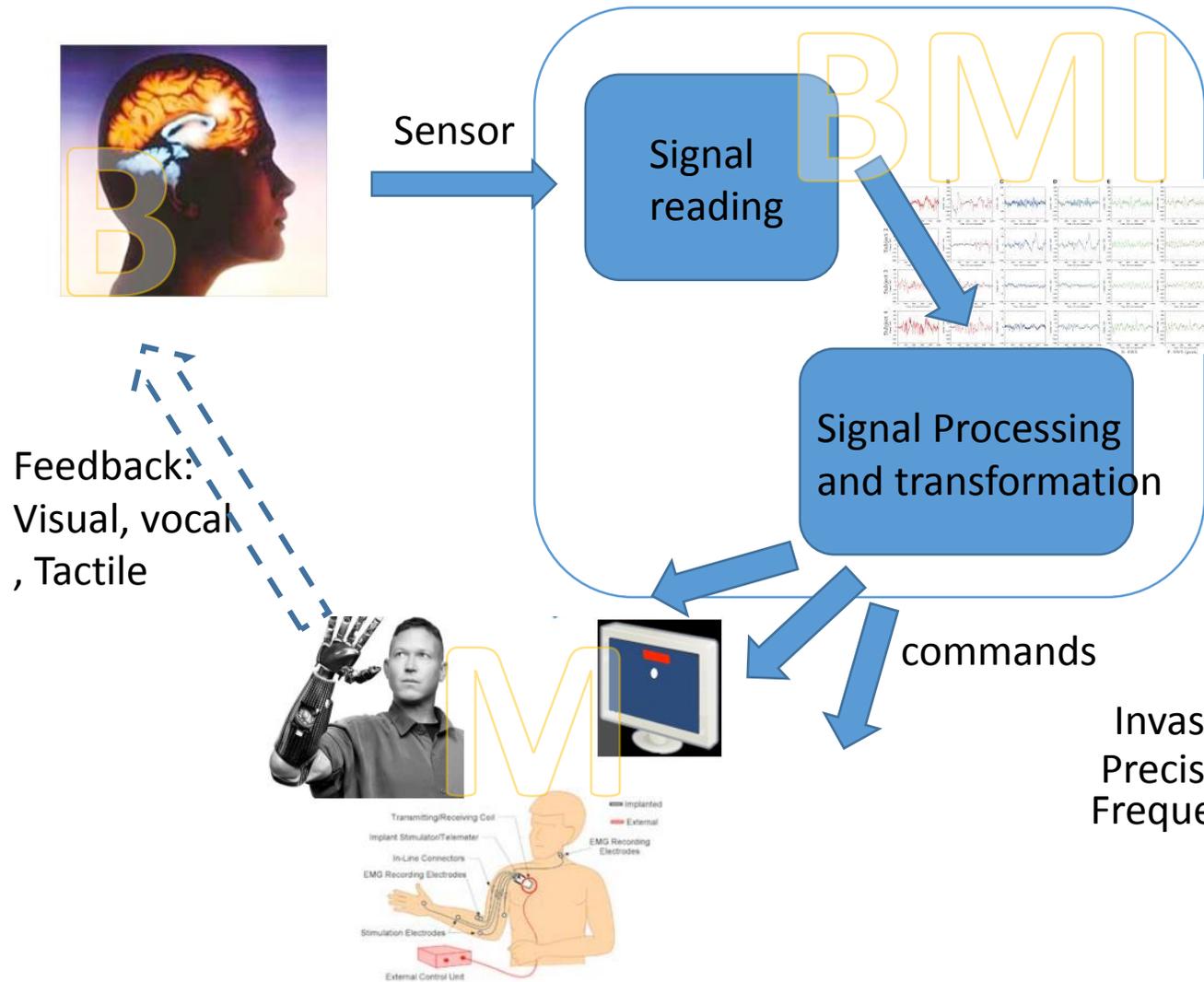
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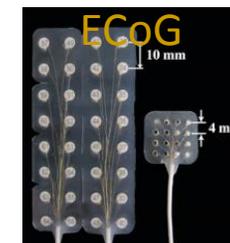
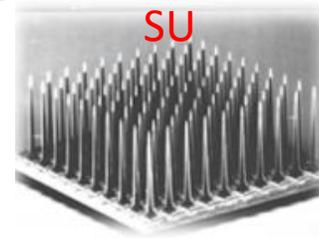
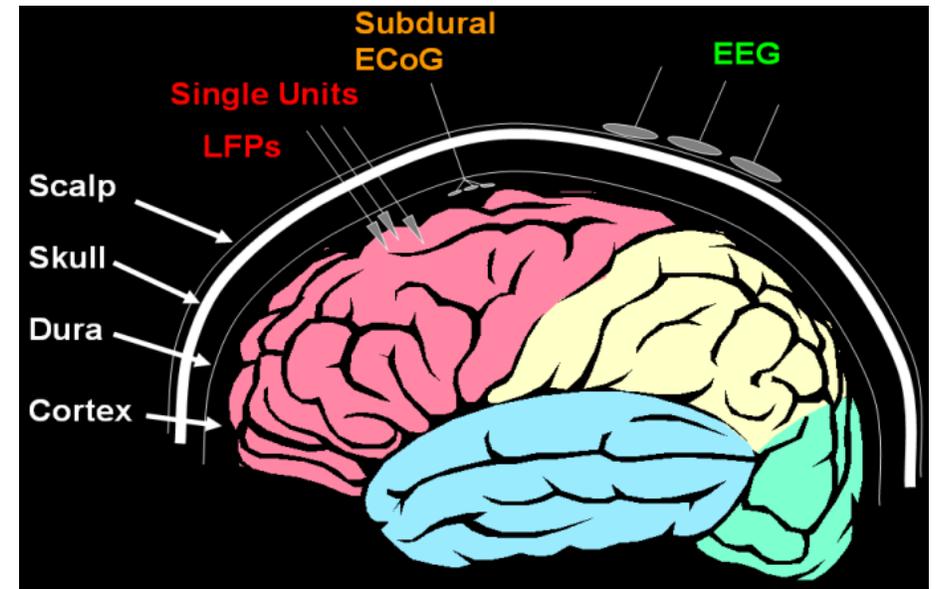
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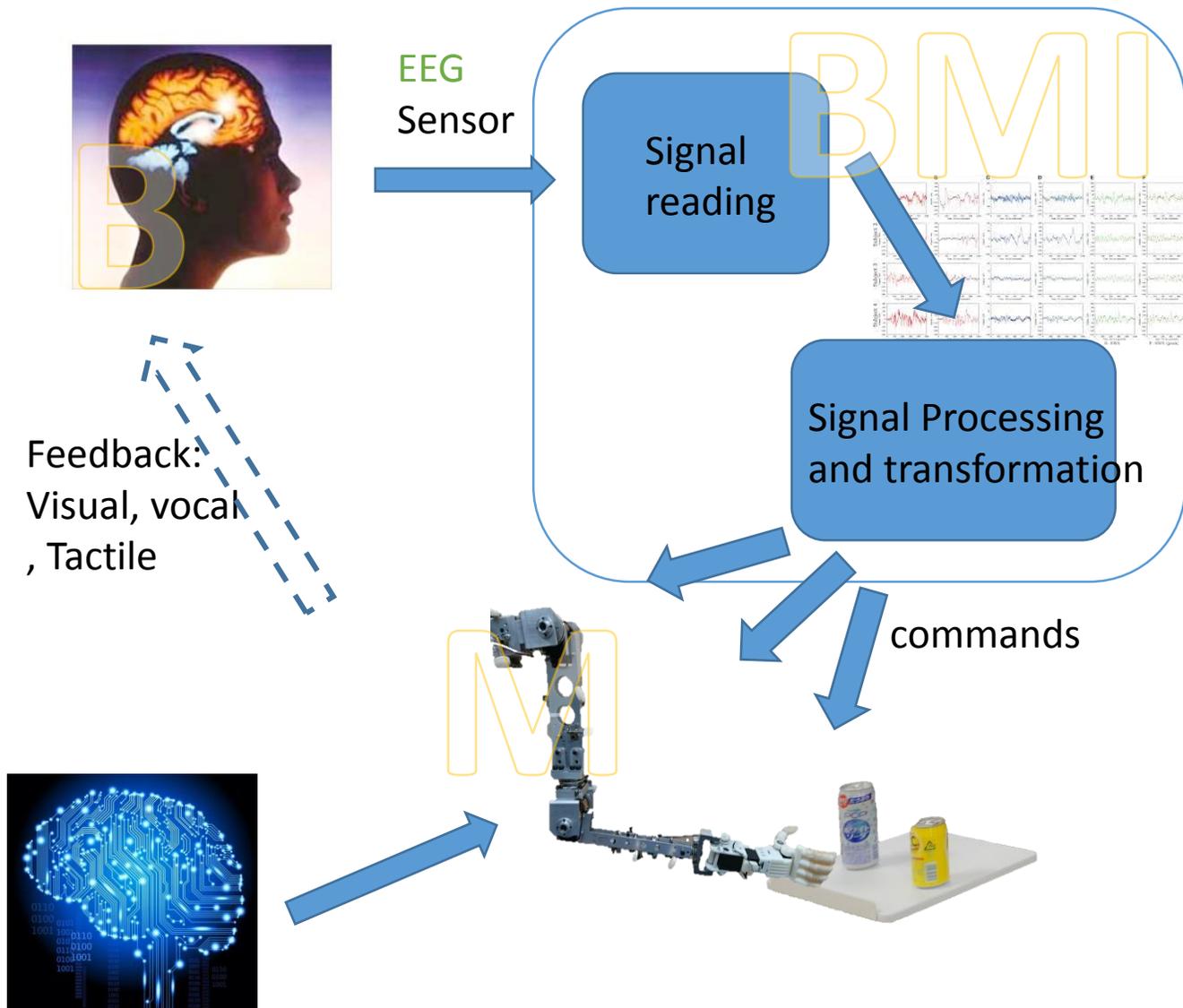
# Brain Machine interface (BMI)



SU: Single-unit recording  
 ECoG: Electrocorticography  
 EEG: Electroencephalography

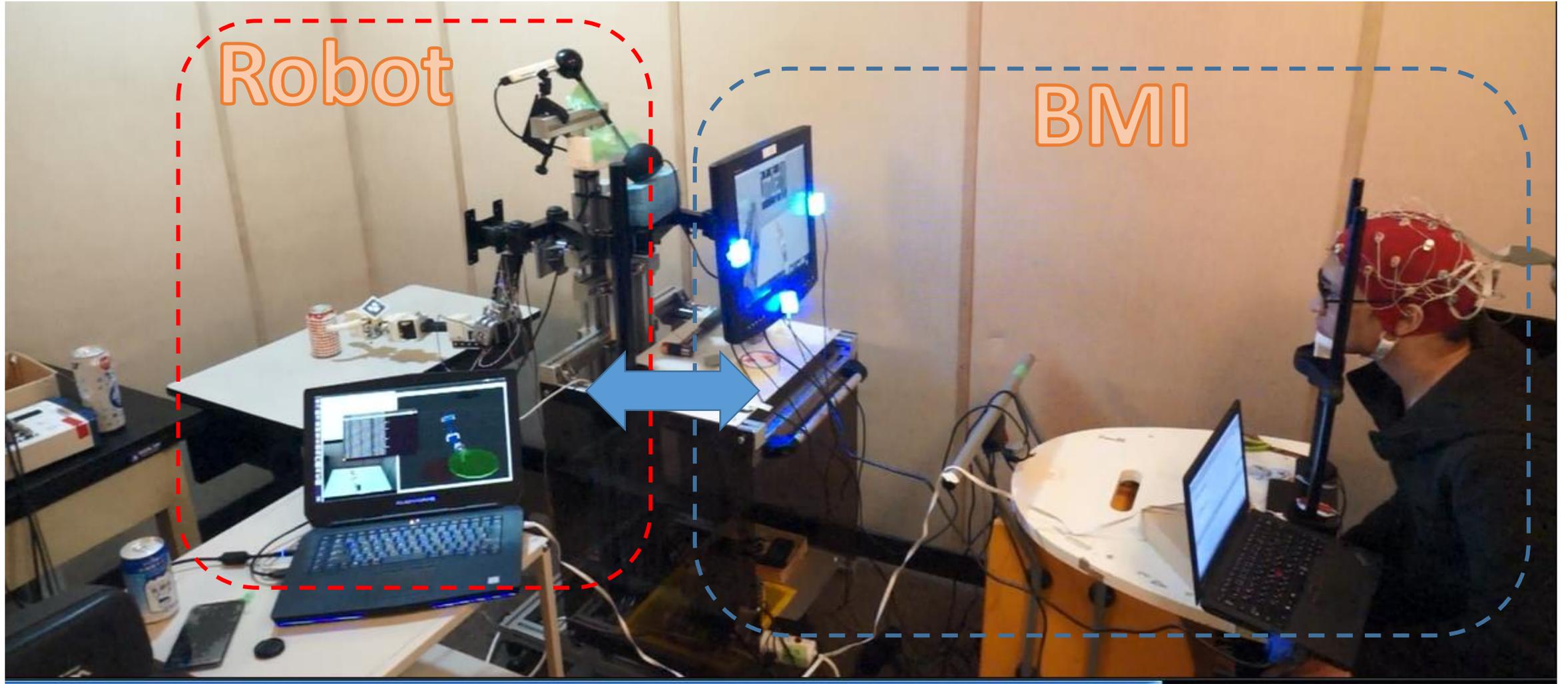


# Project objective

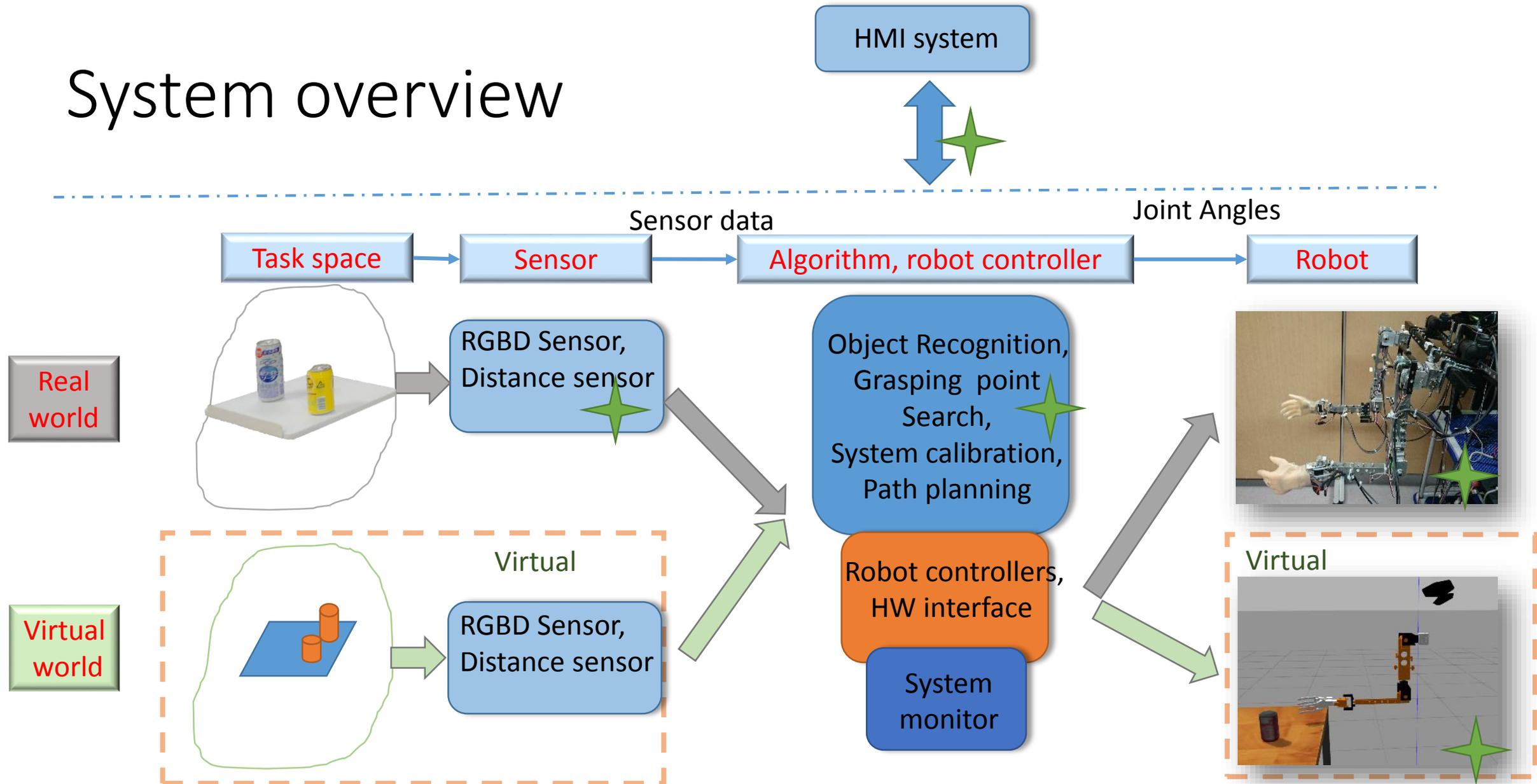


- Using **EEG** sensor and develop brain signal classification algorithm
- Develop a light but powerful robot arm
- Add some Automatic functions to assist the patients
- Main task is grasping the objects on the table

# System overview



# System overview

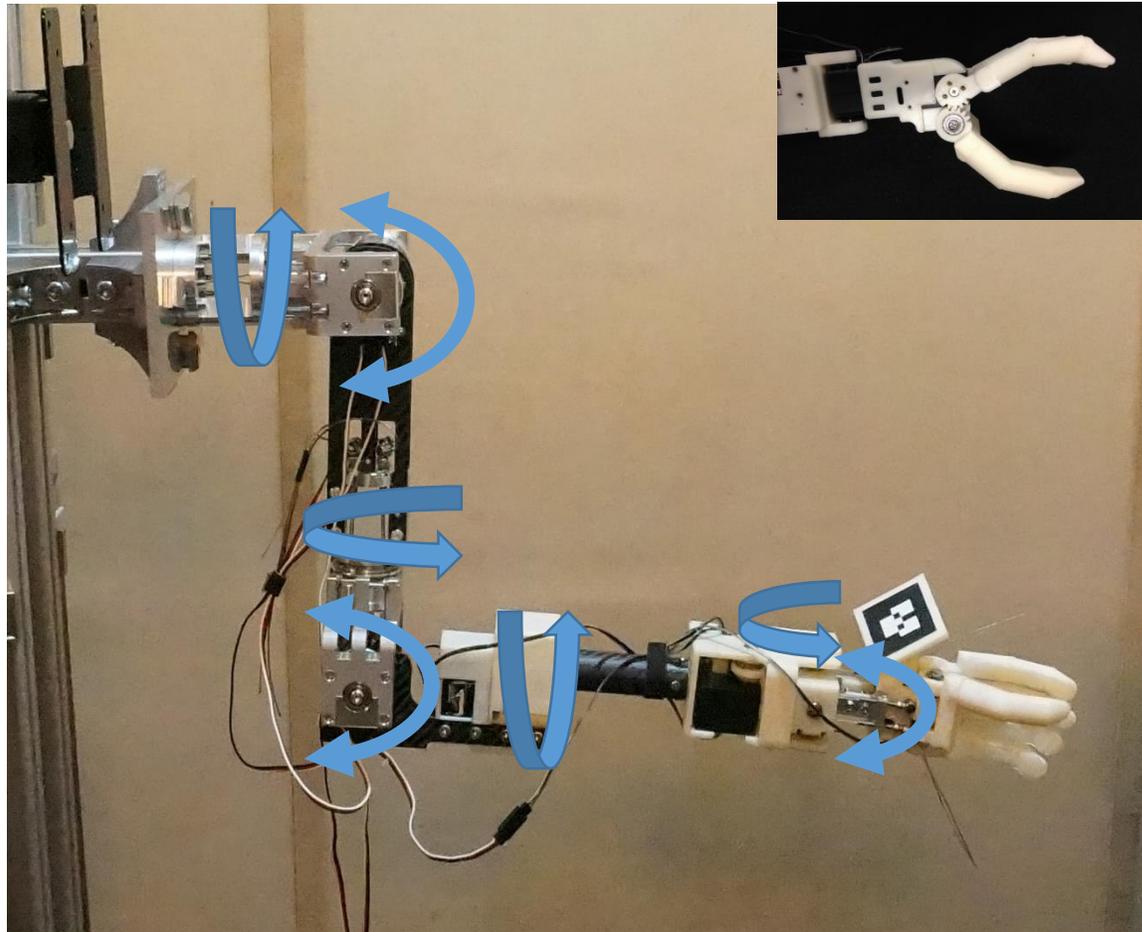


# BMI robot arm

- Basic System
  - Hardware design
  - Vision sensor
  - System calibration
  - Simulated robot
  - Base robot control function
- Machine vision based automatic grasping
- Control sharing with BMI system

# Hardware design

## 既存の超軽量ロボットアームとの比較

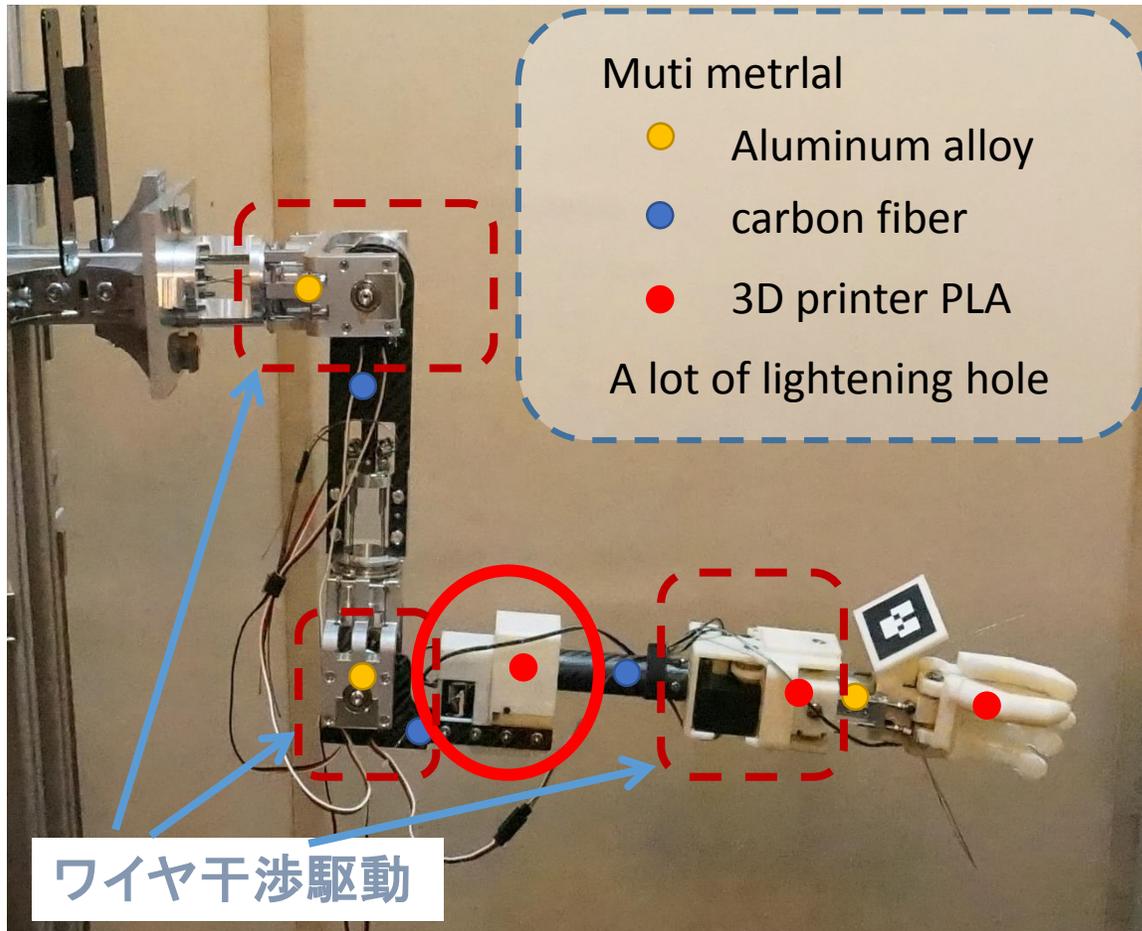


項目	本研究	MICO <sup>2</sup> +KG-2
制御軸数	7	6
最大リーチ[m]	0.8	0.7
本体質量[kg]	2.6	5.2
可搬質量[kg]	1.0	0.8
ハンド動作 自由度	1 (握り・開き)	1 (握り・開き)
最大速度 [m/s]	2 (円接線)	0.2 (直線)

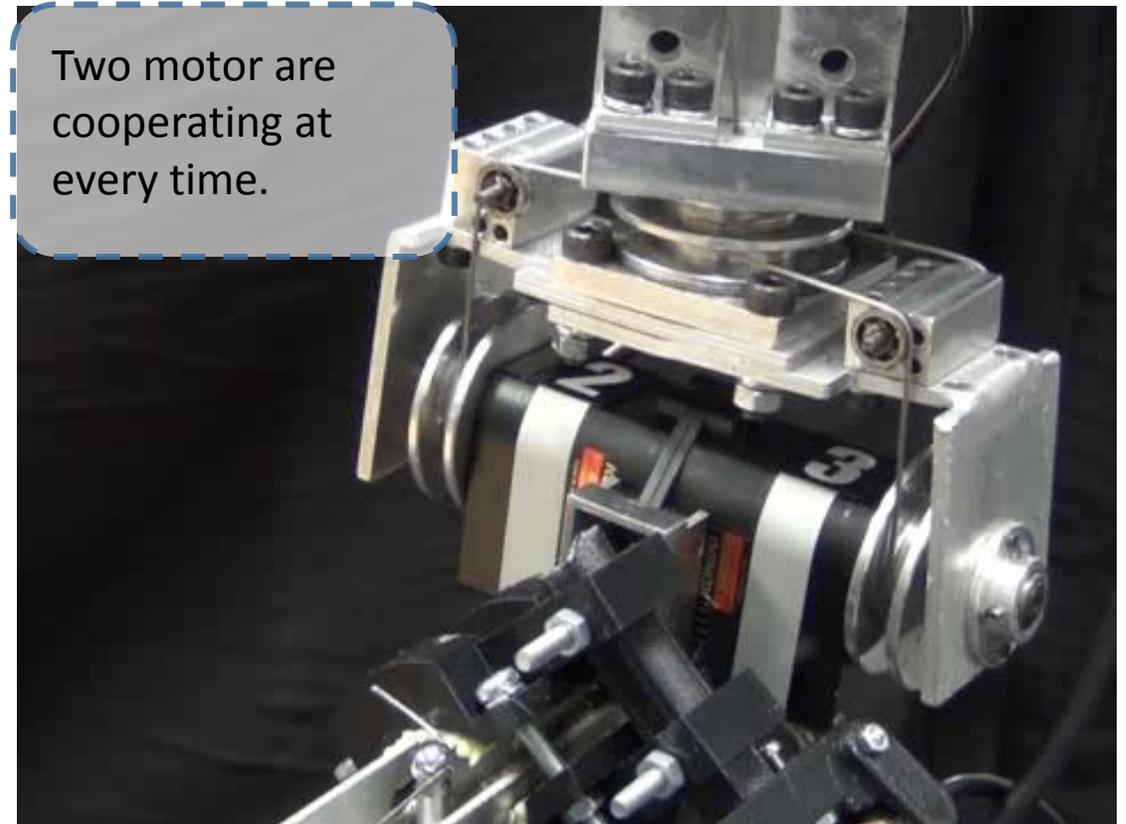


本研究のアームはMICO<sup>2</sup>+KG-2と比較して、  
出力/重量比が2.5倍  
自由度数/重量比が2.3倍  
ヒトの関節に対応した自由度を有する

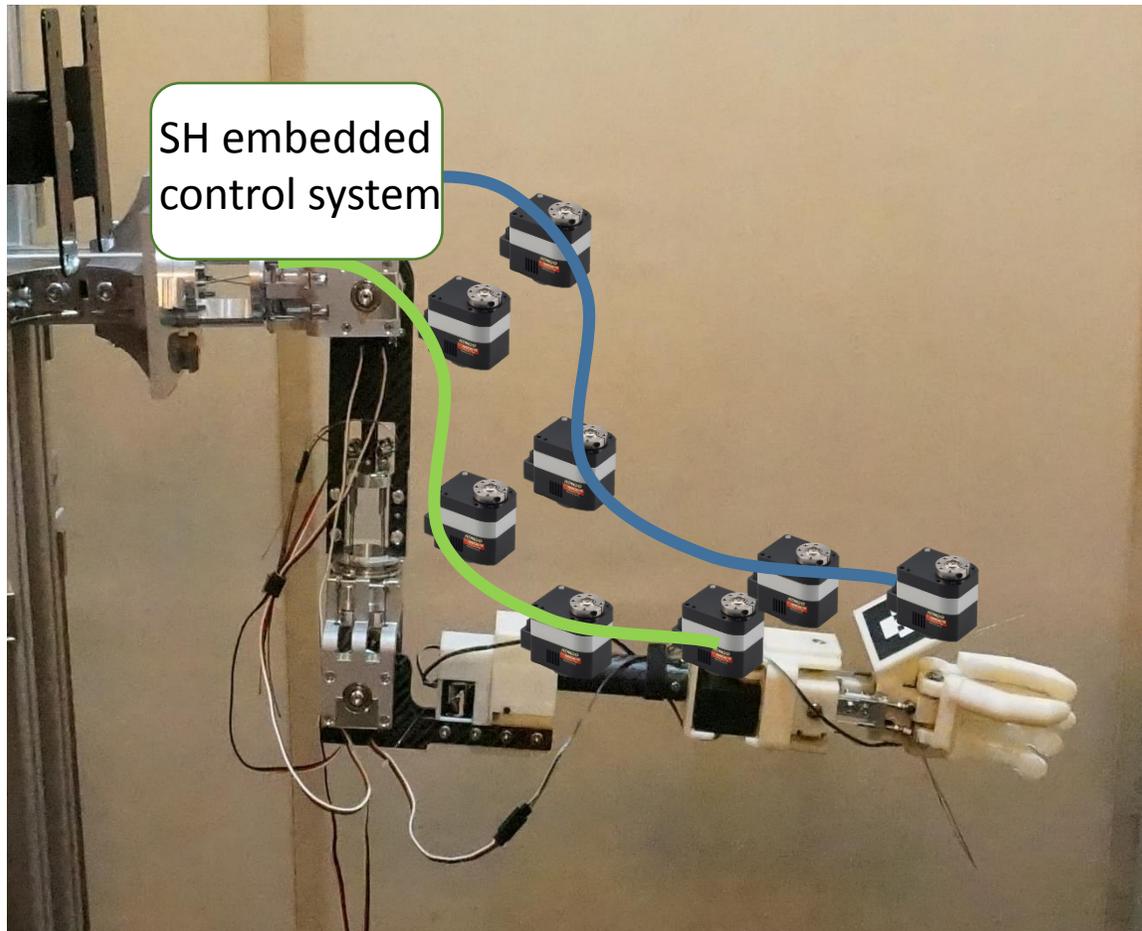
# Lightweight and powerful



## Coupled Tendon-Driven(ワイヤ干渉駆動) 特願2016-109120



# Parallel control of the motors



最大トルク: 67.0kg・cm

●最高スピード: 0.22s/60°

●寸法: 51 × 32 × 39.5mm (突起部除く)

●重量: 103g (サーボホーン含む)

●最大動作角度: 270°

●最大消費電流: 6.1A

●ギヤ種類: 特殊アルミギヤ

+ステンレスギヤ

●ケース材質: アルミ(トップ、ミドル)

ガラス入り樹脂(ボトム)

●ギヤ比: 362.88:1

●電源電圧: HV仕様(9V~12V)

●通信規格: ICS3.5(シリアル/PWM選択式)

●通信速度: 115200/625000/1250000bps

●初期設定: ID0/BR115200

●信号レベル: TTL

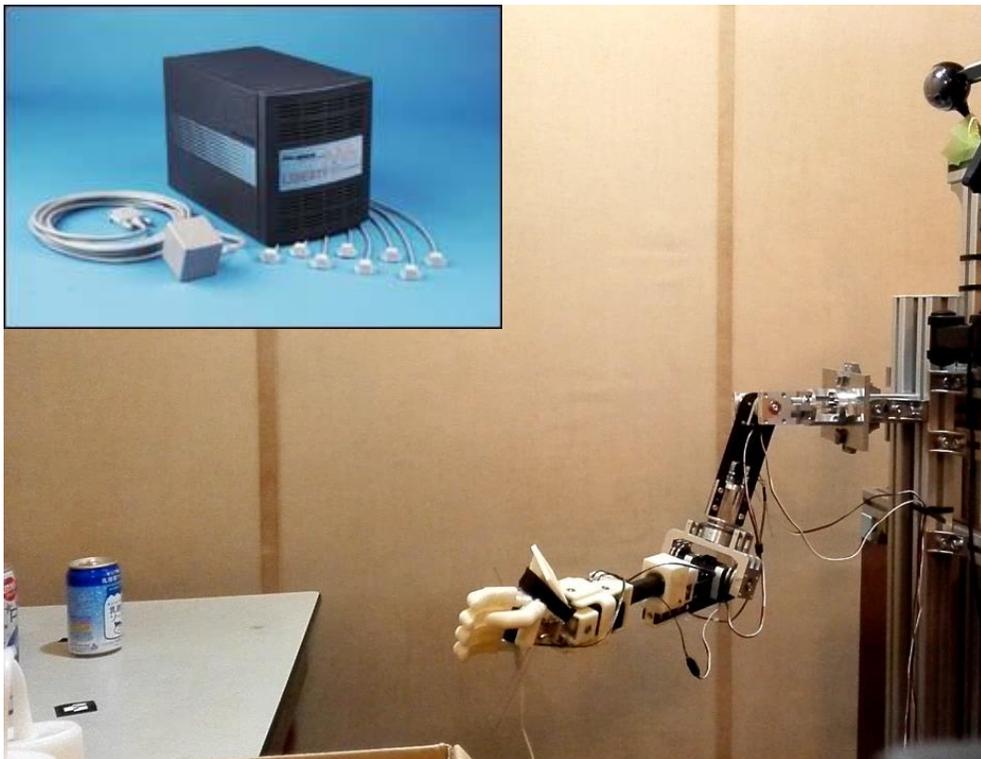


# Repeat accuracy testing

Test Pose → Random Pose

5 measures for one Pose

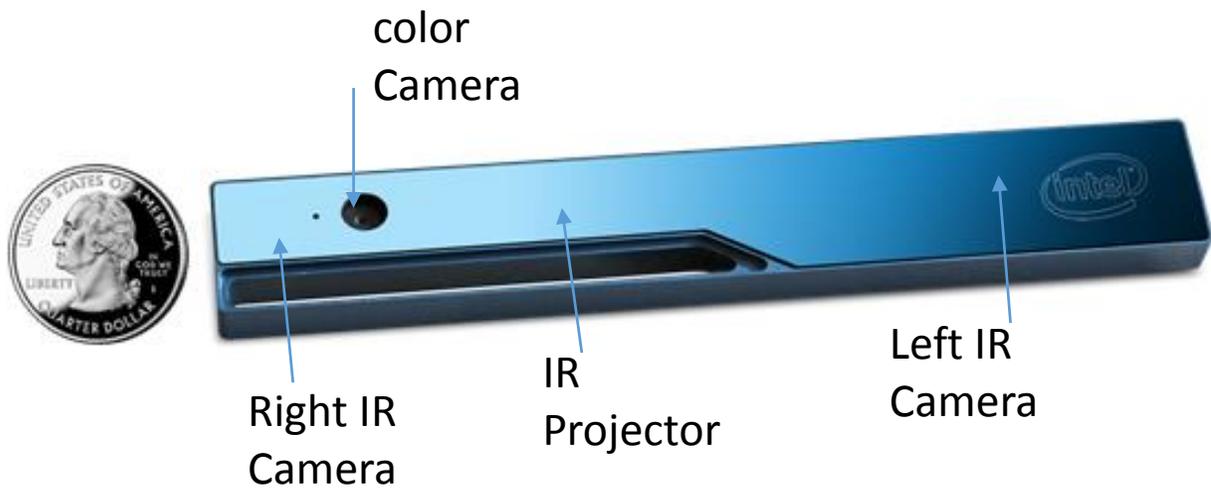
- 3 Poses are tested



		Average (mm)	Max absolute error (mm)
Pose1	X	20.72833	0.16544
	Y	47.34129	0.426108
	z	3.725552	0.126973
Pose2	X	37.14884	0.100315
	Y	53.16144	0.136713
	z	-3.60846	0.200365
Pose3	X	25.38503	0.184033
	Y	22.46846	0.512729
	z	-2.37699	0.176066

# Vision sensor system

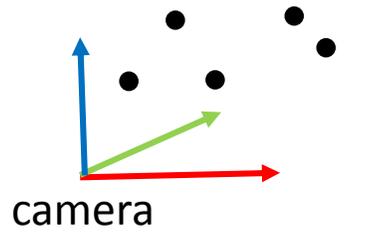
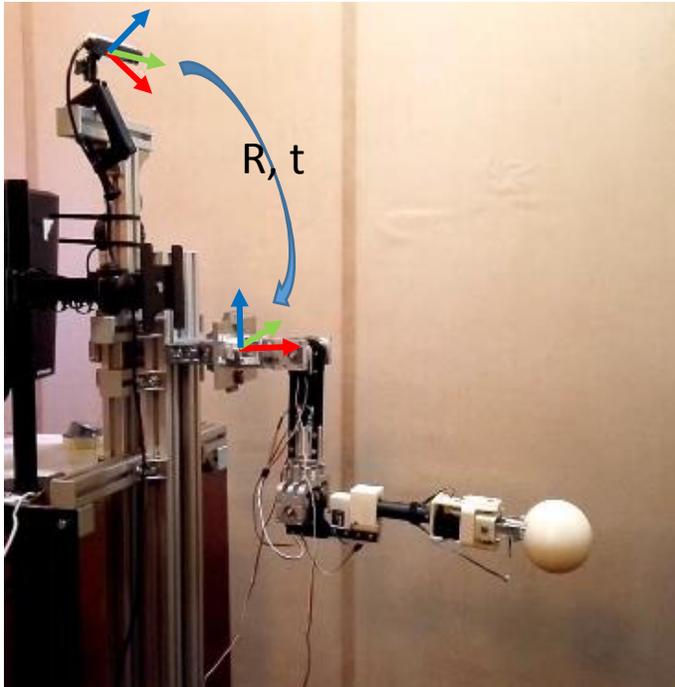
- RGB-D sensor can simultaneously capture the
  - RGB — color information
  - D — Depth information



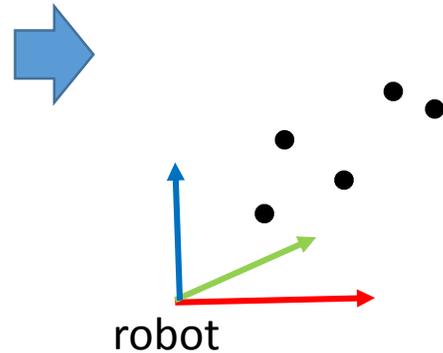
One frame of sensor data



# Vision System calibration



$$\{p_i\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$



$$\{q_i\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$q_i = R \cdot p_i + t$$

$$\arg \min \sum_{i=1}^N \|q_i - (R \cdot p_i + t)\|^2$$

$$p = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \quad p'_i = p_i - p$$

$$q = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N q_i \quad q'_i = q_i - q$$

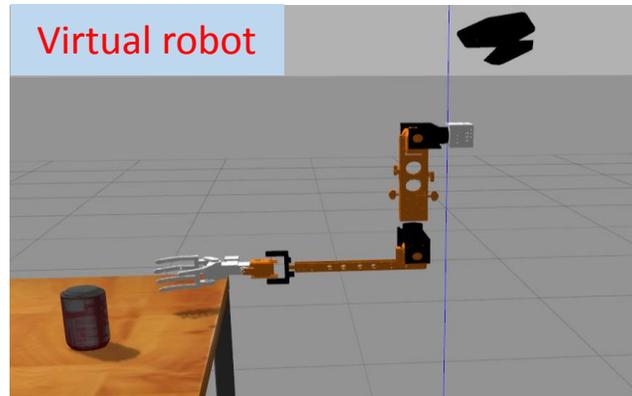
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \arg \min \sum_{i=1}^N \|q_i - (R \cdot p_i + t)\|^2 \\ \arg \min \sum_{i=1}^N \|q_i - R \cdot p_i\|^2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N q'_i \cdot p_i^T \xrightarrow{\text{SVD Decomposition}} H = U \cdot S \cdot V^T \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} R = V \cdot U^T \\ t = q - R \cdot p \end{array}$$

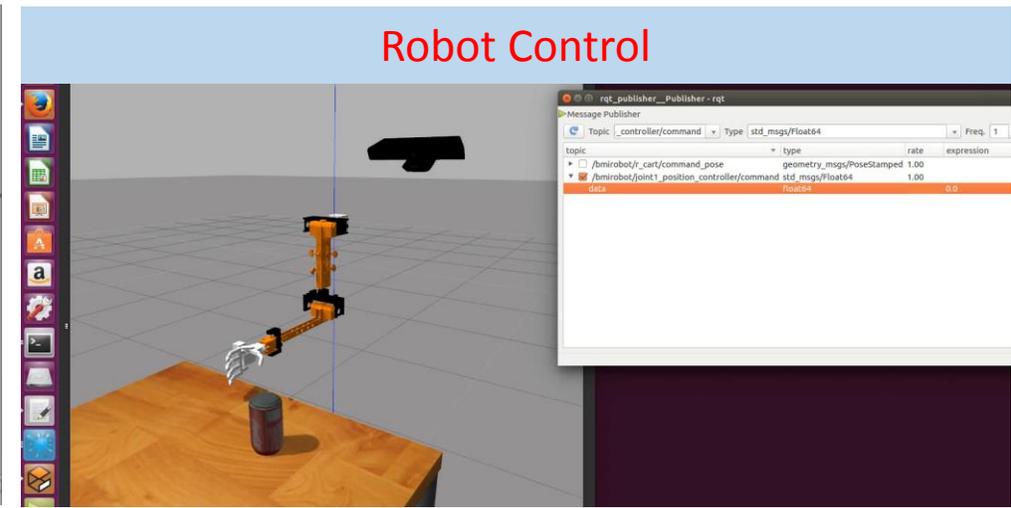
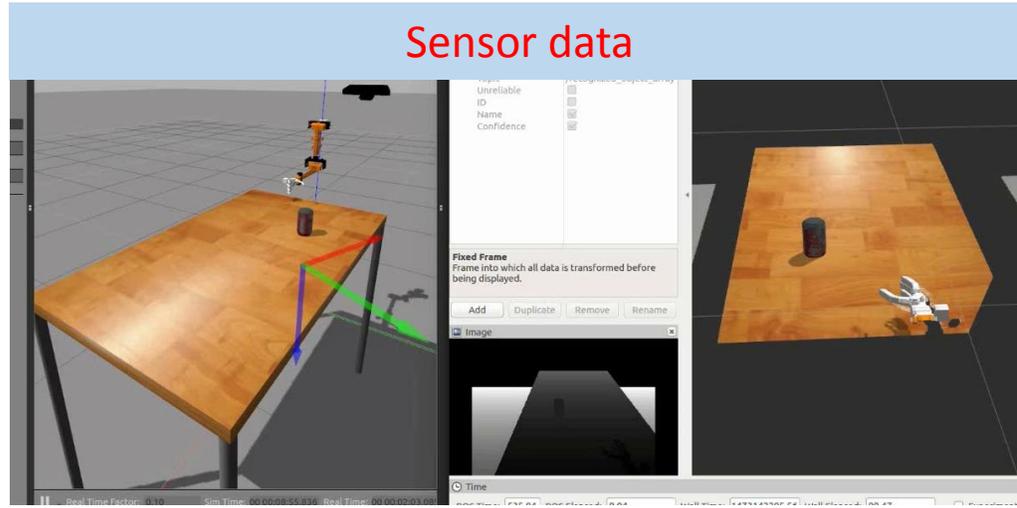
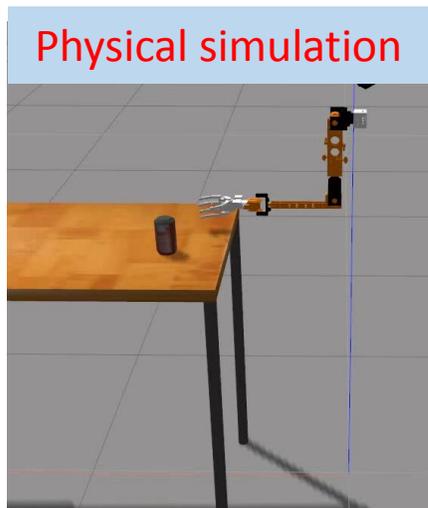
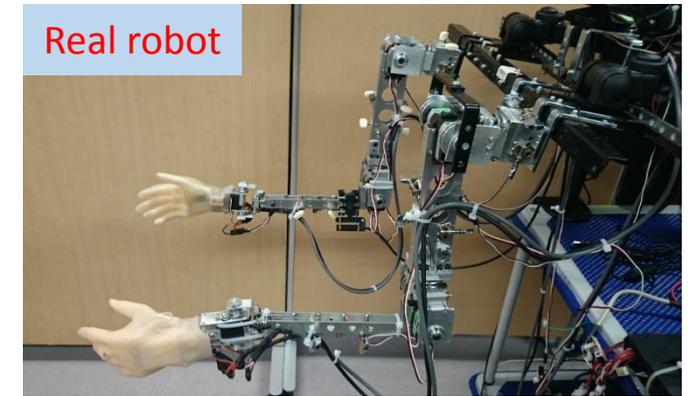
$$\text{err} = \frac{\sum \|R \cdot p_i + t - q_i\|}{n} = 0.021\text{m}$$

# Simulate robot

- Gazebo is integrated in ROS



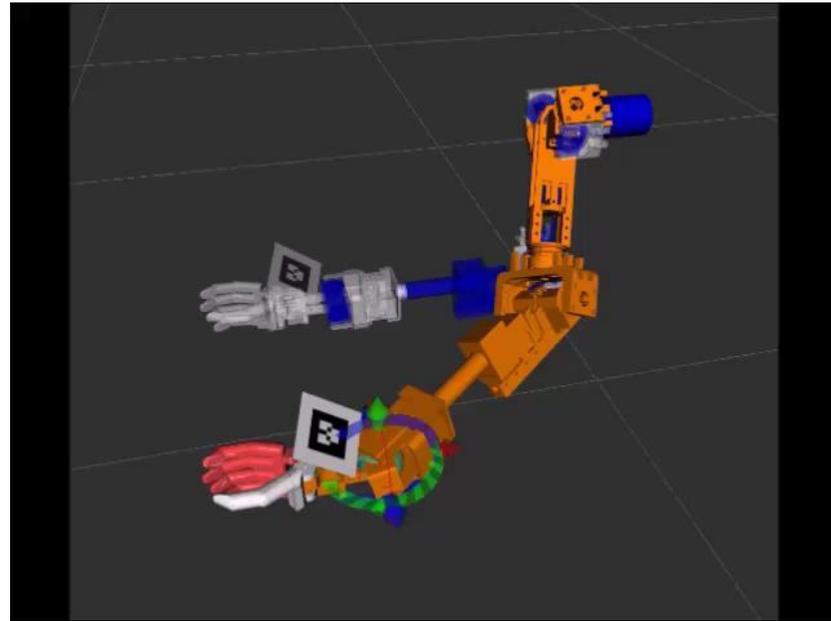
≈ Physical properties  
≈ Task space information  
≈ Sensor information  
= Control interface



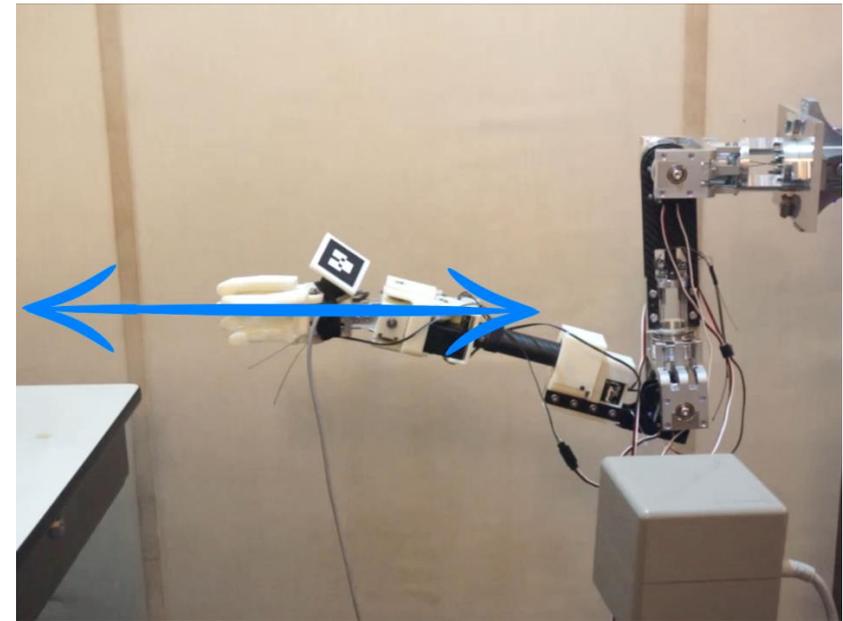
# Basic Control functions



Joint Control



Trajectory Control



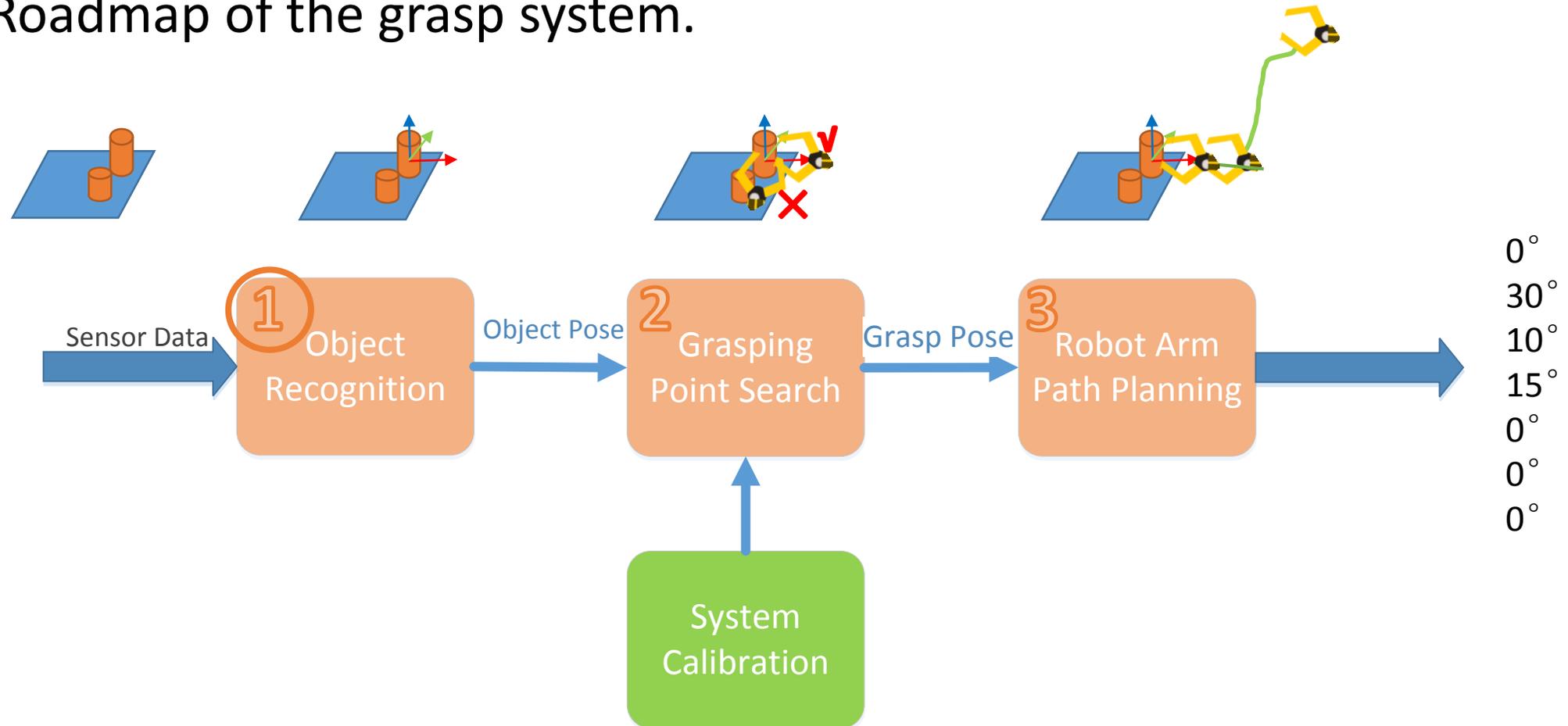
Cartesian Control

# BMI robot arm

- Basic System
- Machine vision based automatic grasping
  - Object recognition
  - Grasping point determining
  - Arm path planning
  - Demonstrating
- Control sharing with BMI system

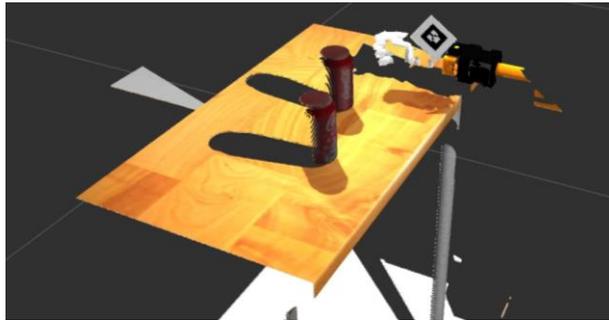
# Machine vision based automatic grasping

- Roadmap of the grasp system.



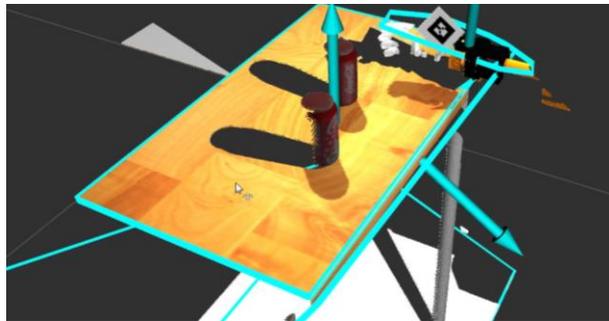
# Object recognition

- Detect the objects on the table

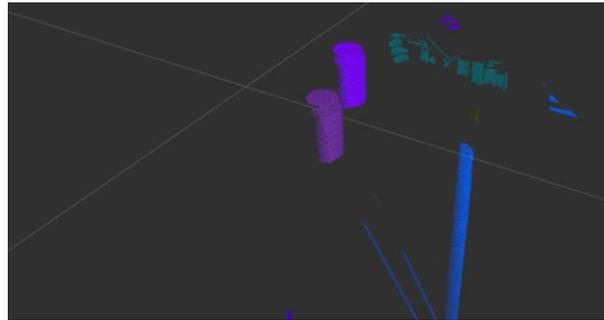


Sensor data

**RANSAC**

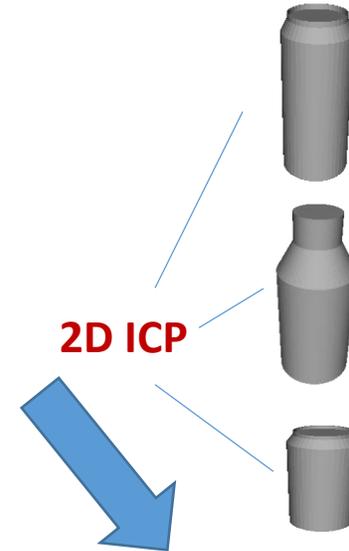


Recognized plane

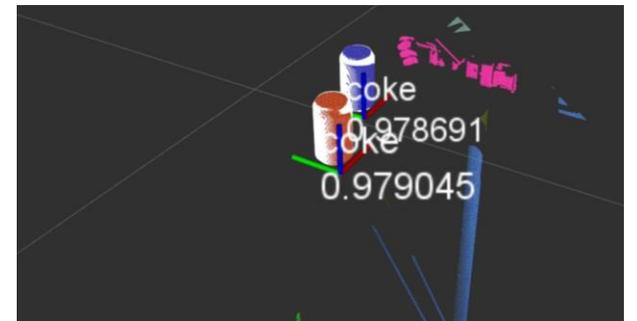


Clustered point cloud

**Euclidean clustering**

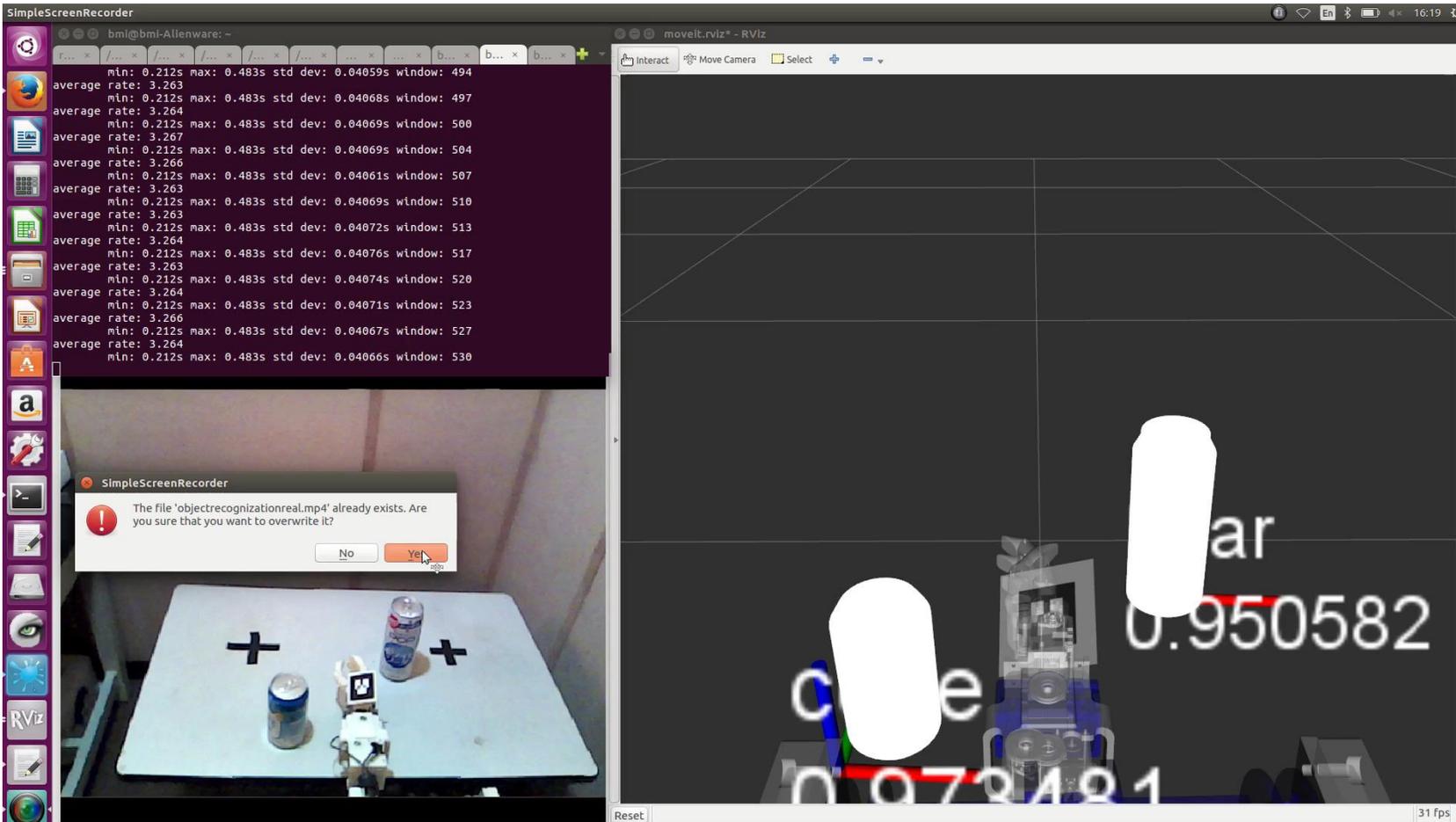


**2D ICP**



Recognized point cloud

# Recognition result



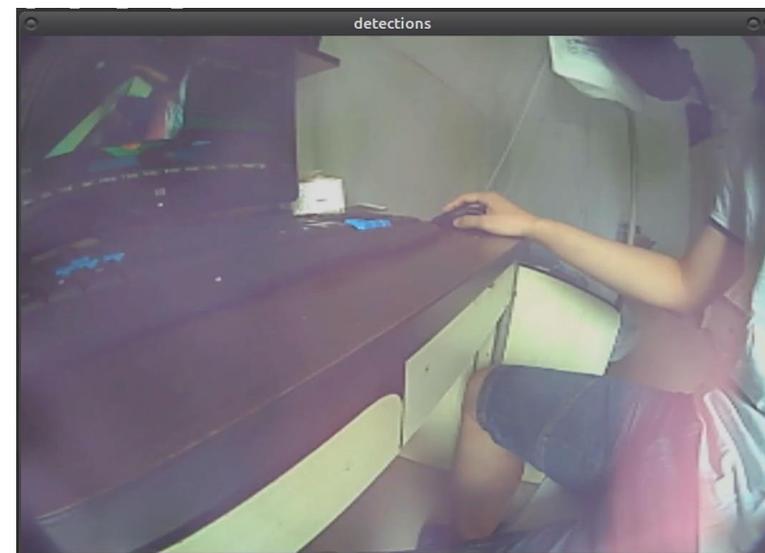
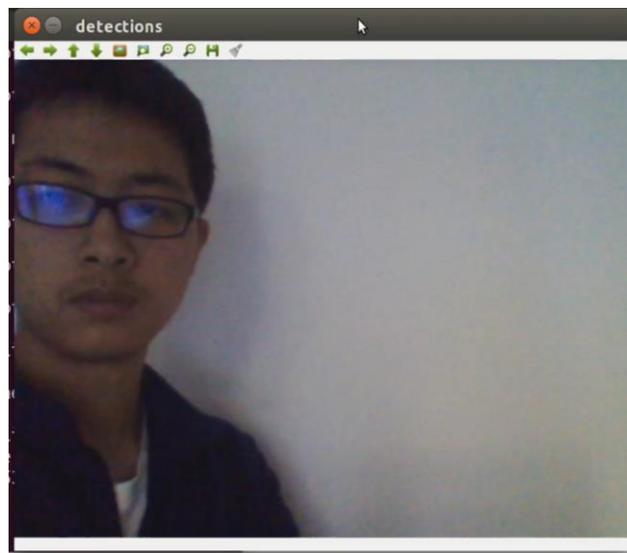
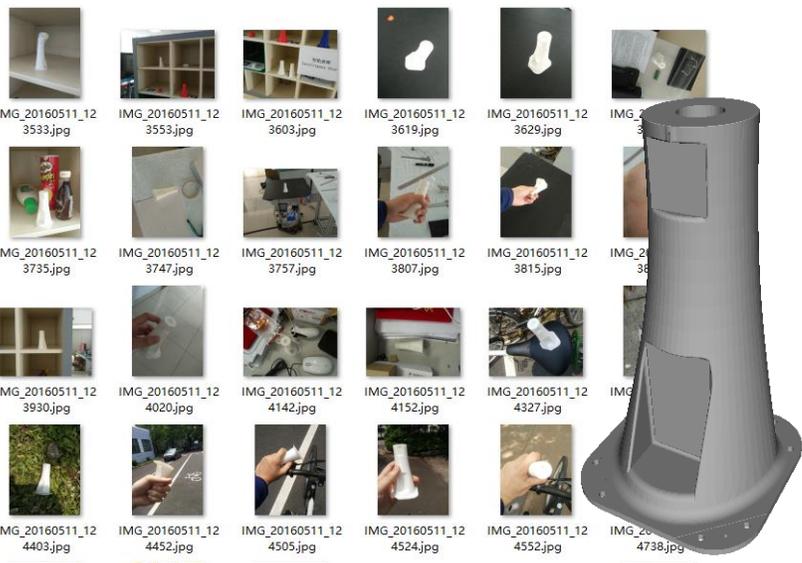
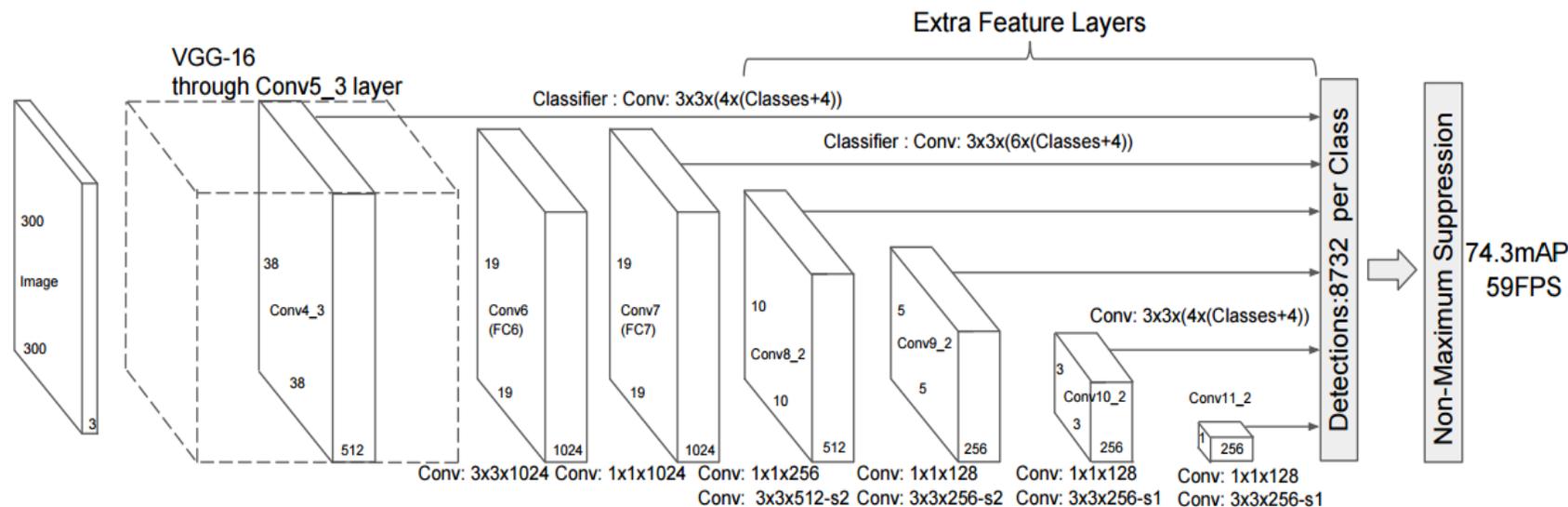
- Run at 3.5Hz
- The object must be a Rotational symmetry with Z axis
- The Z axis must be Perpendicular to the table plane
- Not use the color information

# Using CNN for object recognition

SSD: Single Shot MultiBox Detector (Wei Liu etc., 2016)

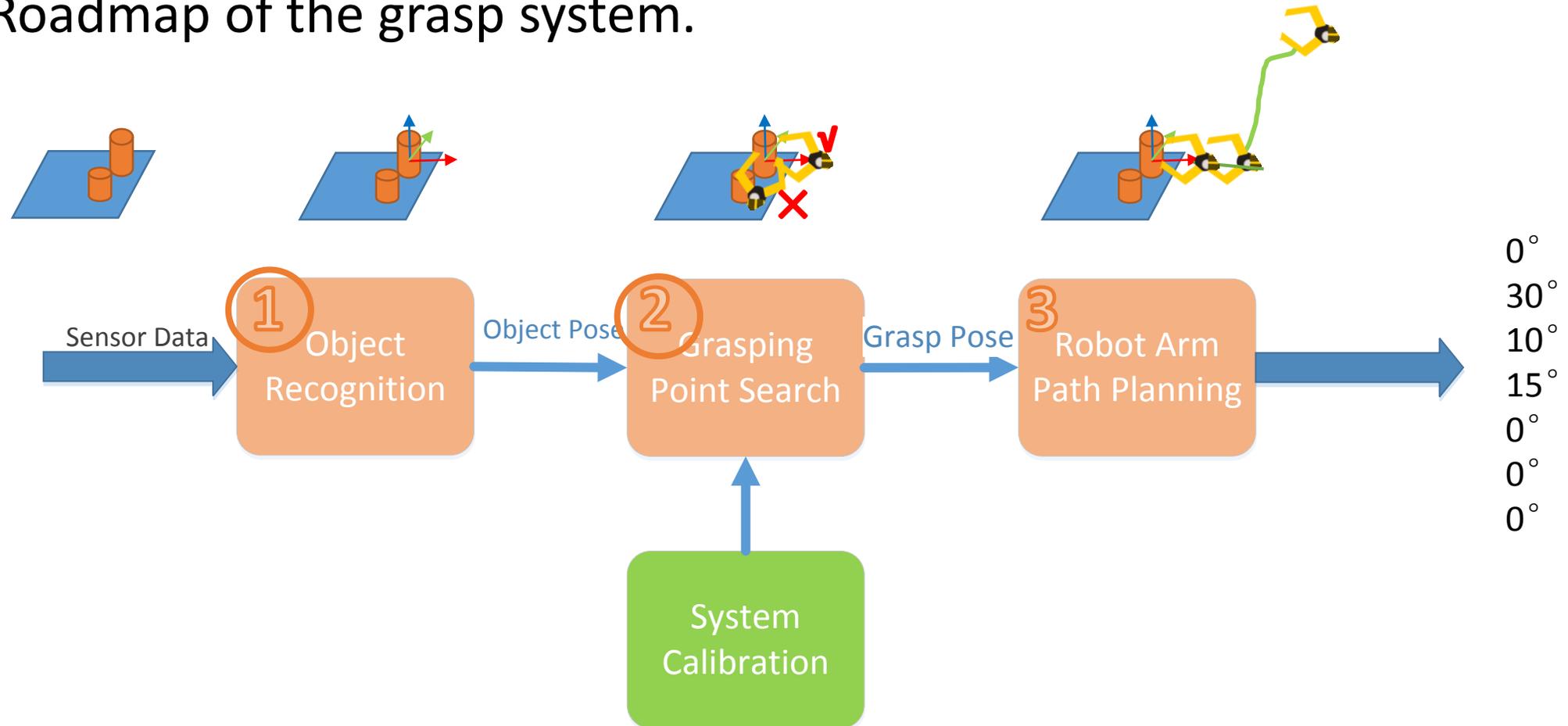
- Robust to background and Motion blur
- Running at real-time

200 images for training



# Machine vision based automatic grasping

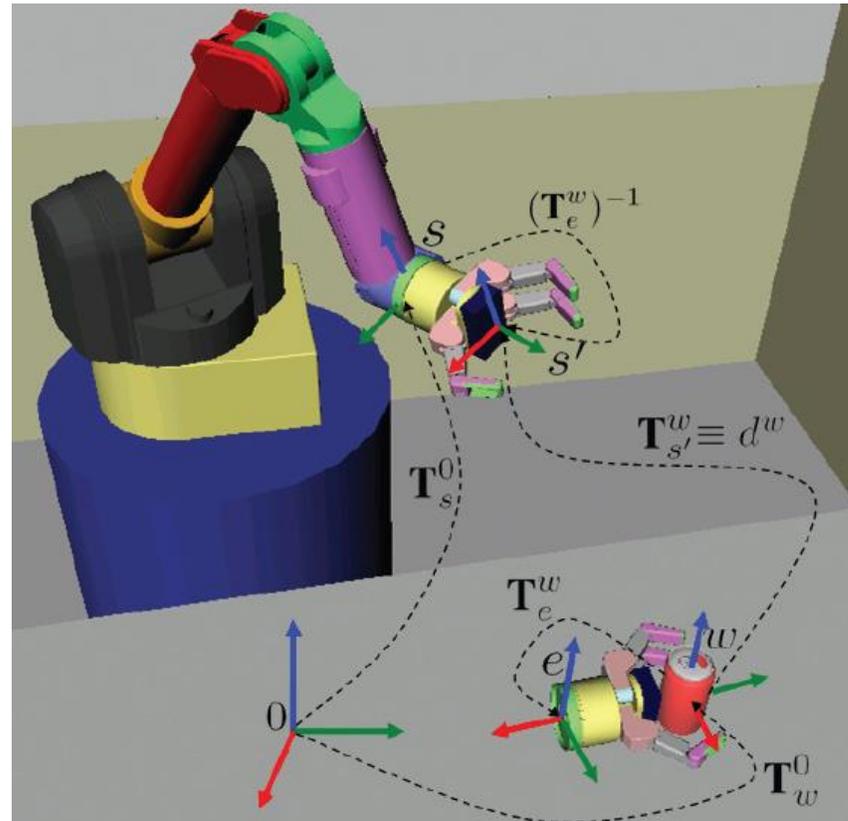
- Roadmap of the grasp system.



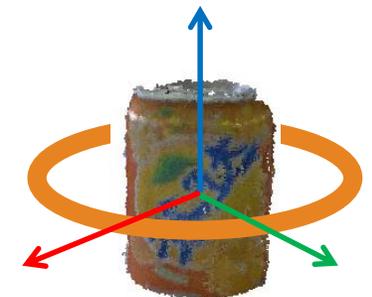
# Task Space Region(TSR)(Berenson 2011)

- Continuous graspable area.

$${}^o\mathbf{T}_e = \begin{bmatrix} {}^o\mathbf{R}_e & {}^o\mathbf{t}_e \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \theta_x \\ \theta_y \\ \theta_z \end{bmatrix}$$



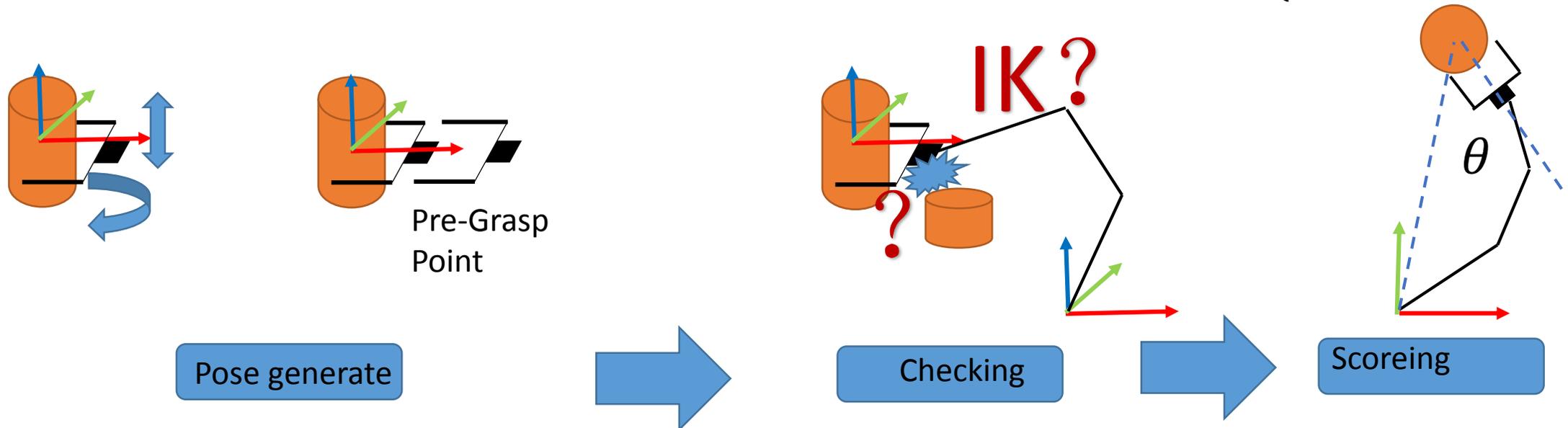
$${}^o\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{\min} & x_{\max} \\ y_{\min} & y_{\max} \\ z_{\min} & z_{\max} \\ \theta_{x\min} & \theta_{x\max} \\ \theta_{y\min} & \theta_{y\max} \\ \theta_{z\min} & \theta_{z\max} \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^o\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ -\pi & \pi \end{bmatrix}$$



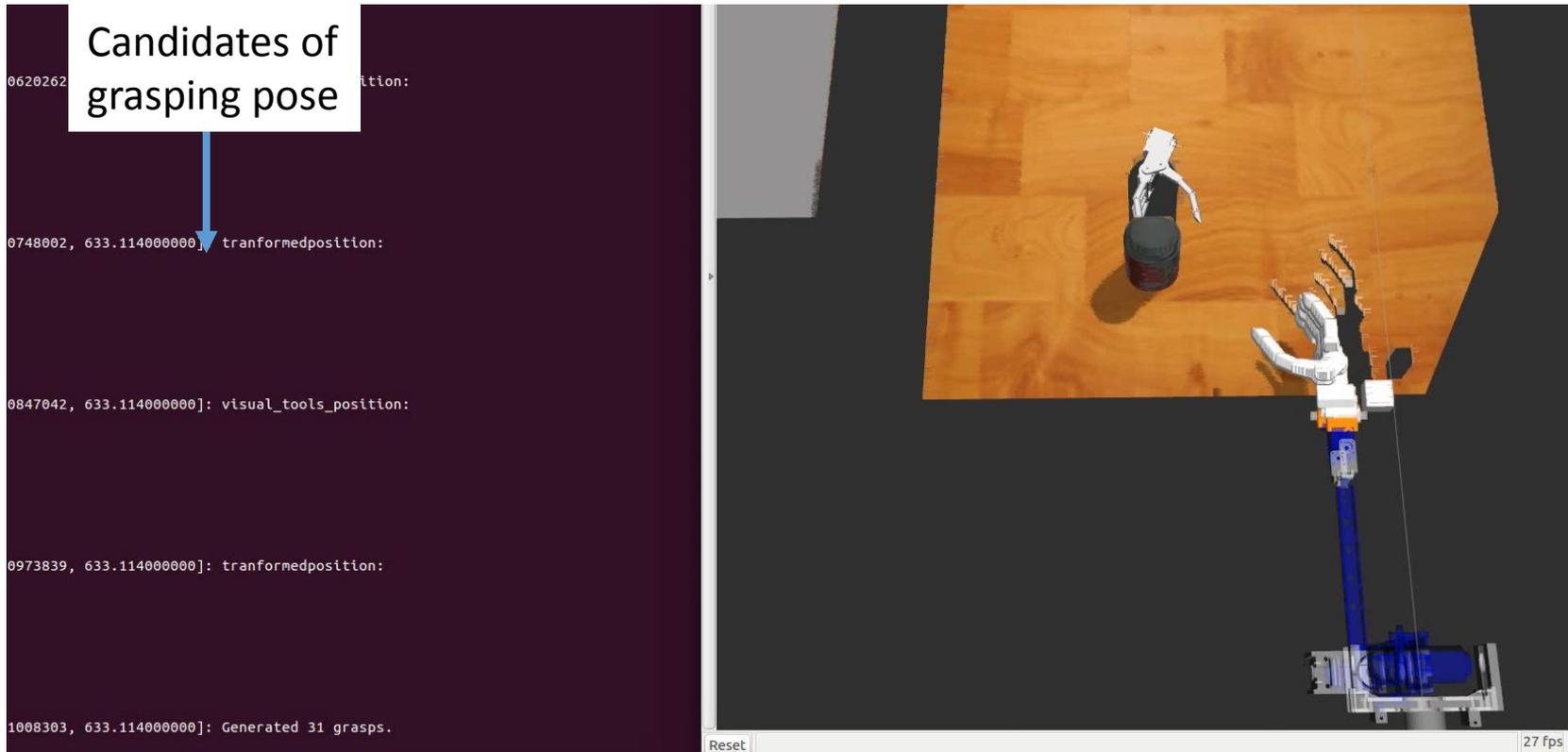
# Grasping point searching

- We use searching method to find the grasp point
  - Generate a lot possible grasp poses of the grasper.
  - Check those pose include the pre-grasp pose with Inverse Kinematic, collision etc.
  - Compute a score for every possible grasp pose.

$$\text{Score} = \begin{cases} 2 * \cos\theta, & \text{if } \theta > 0 \\ \cos\theta & , \text{if } \theta < 0 \end{cases}$$



# Grasping point searching

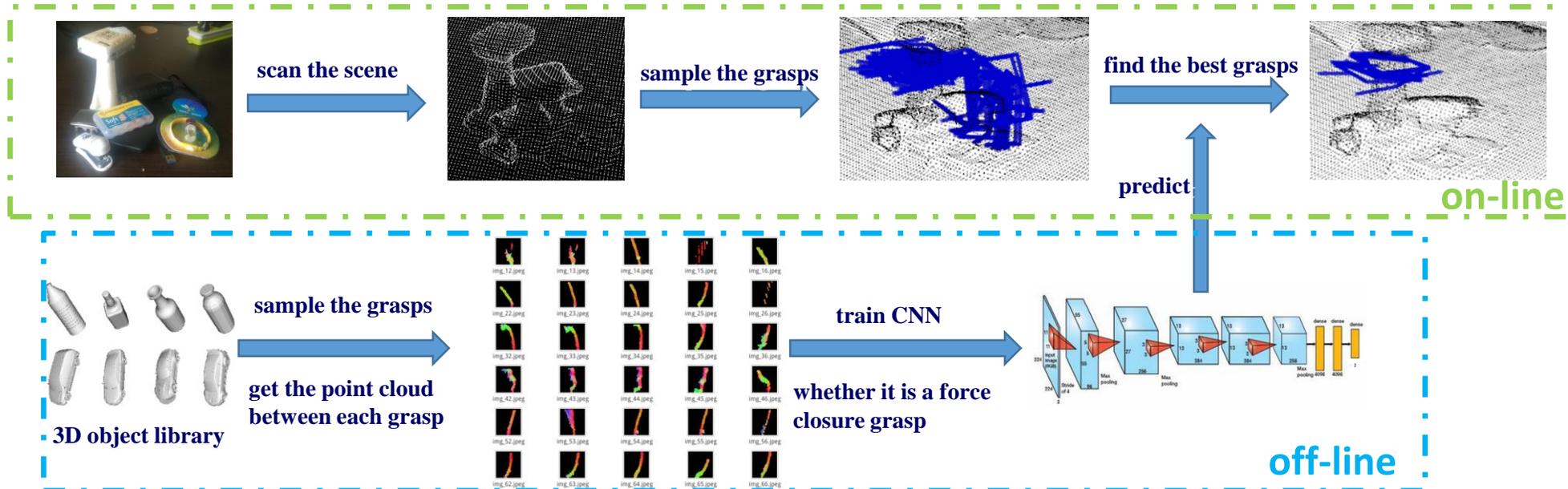
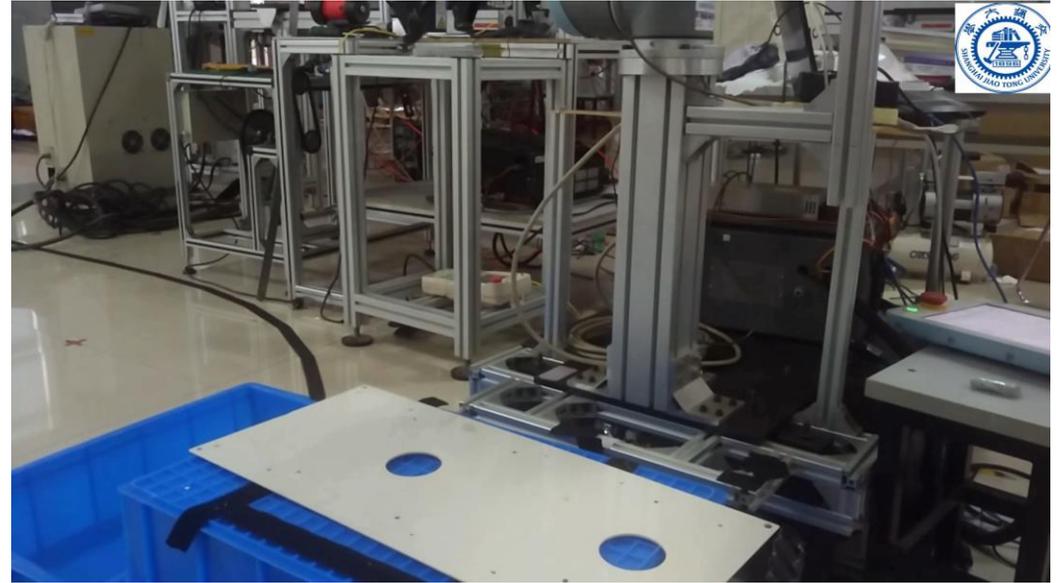


- This method is stable
- By using parallel computing the search speed is acceptable
- Not work well for objects with complex shape

# Deep learning based grasping point computing

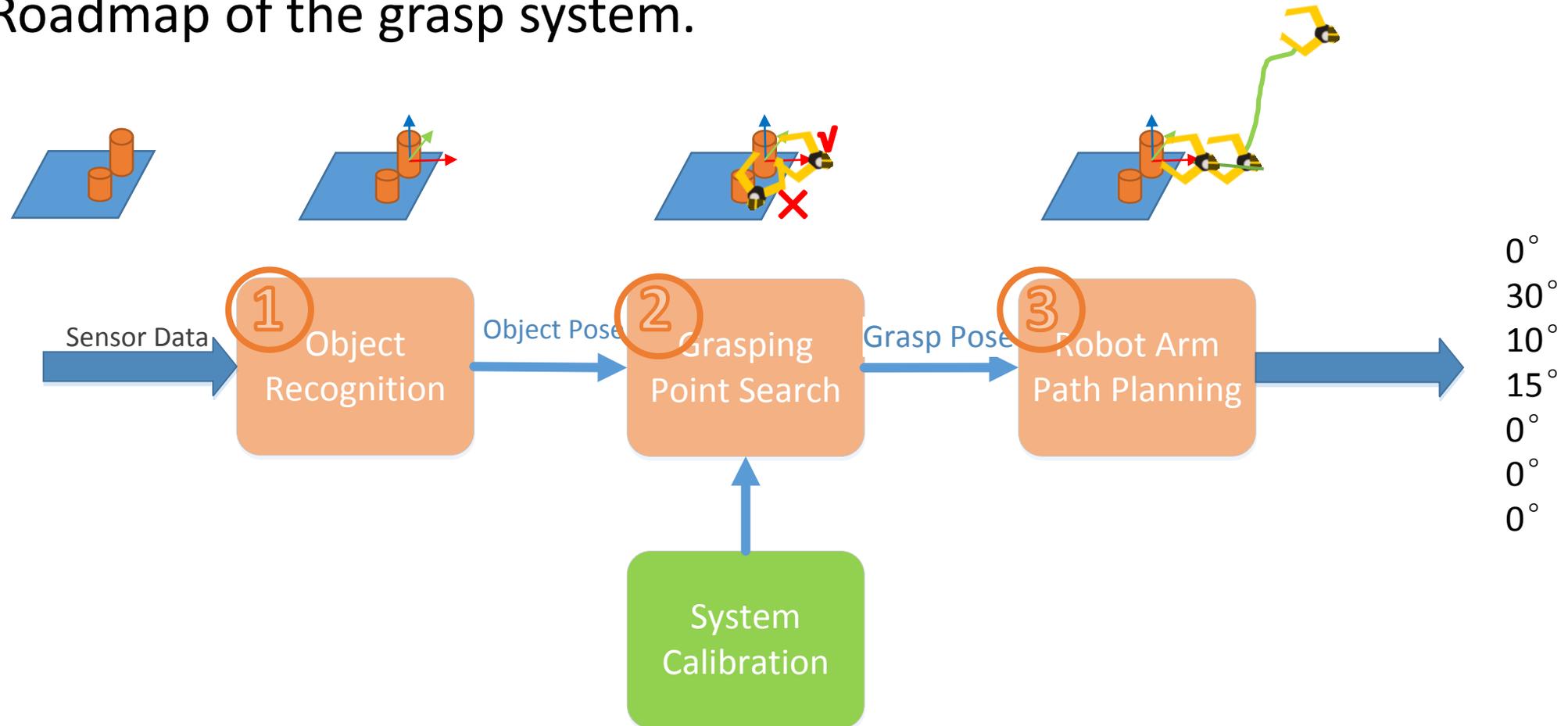
- features:

- 1. For different objects in high clutter grasping
- 2. No human demonstration, No human labeling
- 3. Suitable for different size of gripper. No retraining
- 4. Better for known objects; Suitable for unknown objects.
- 5. Can be combined with object detection



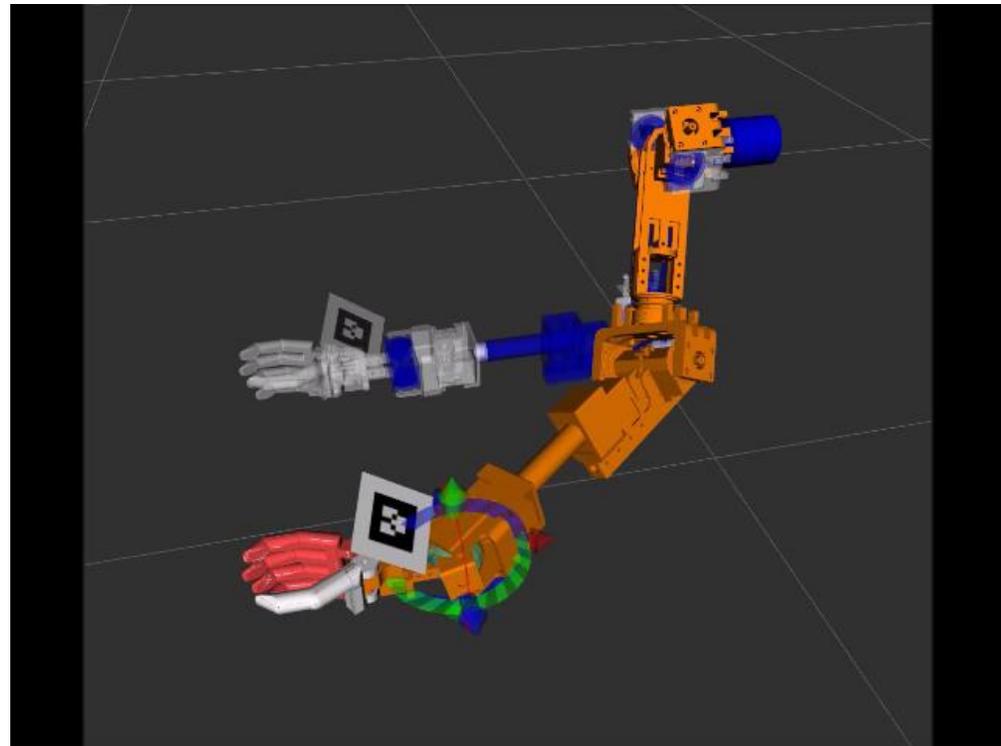
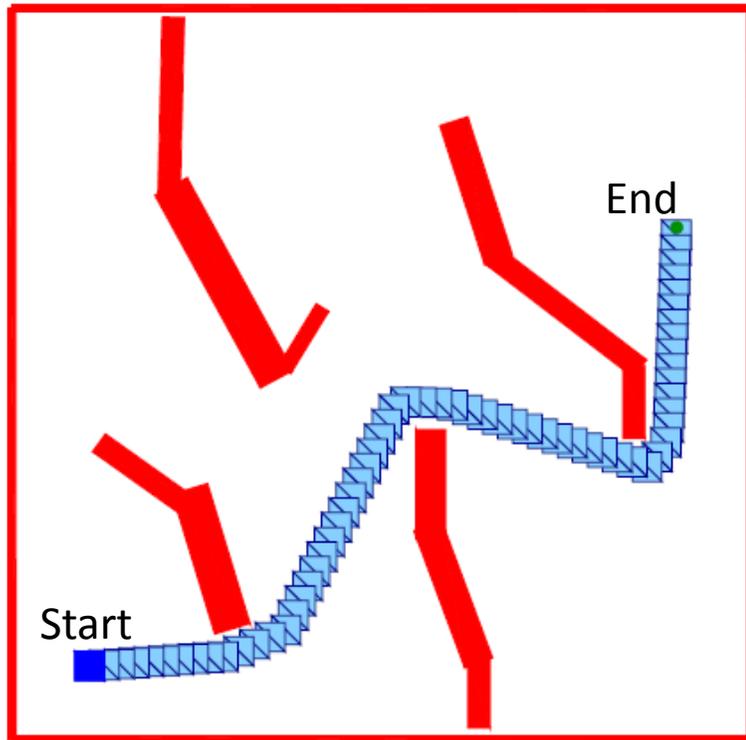
# Machine vision based automatic grasping

- Roadmap of the grasp system.

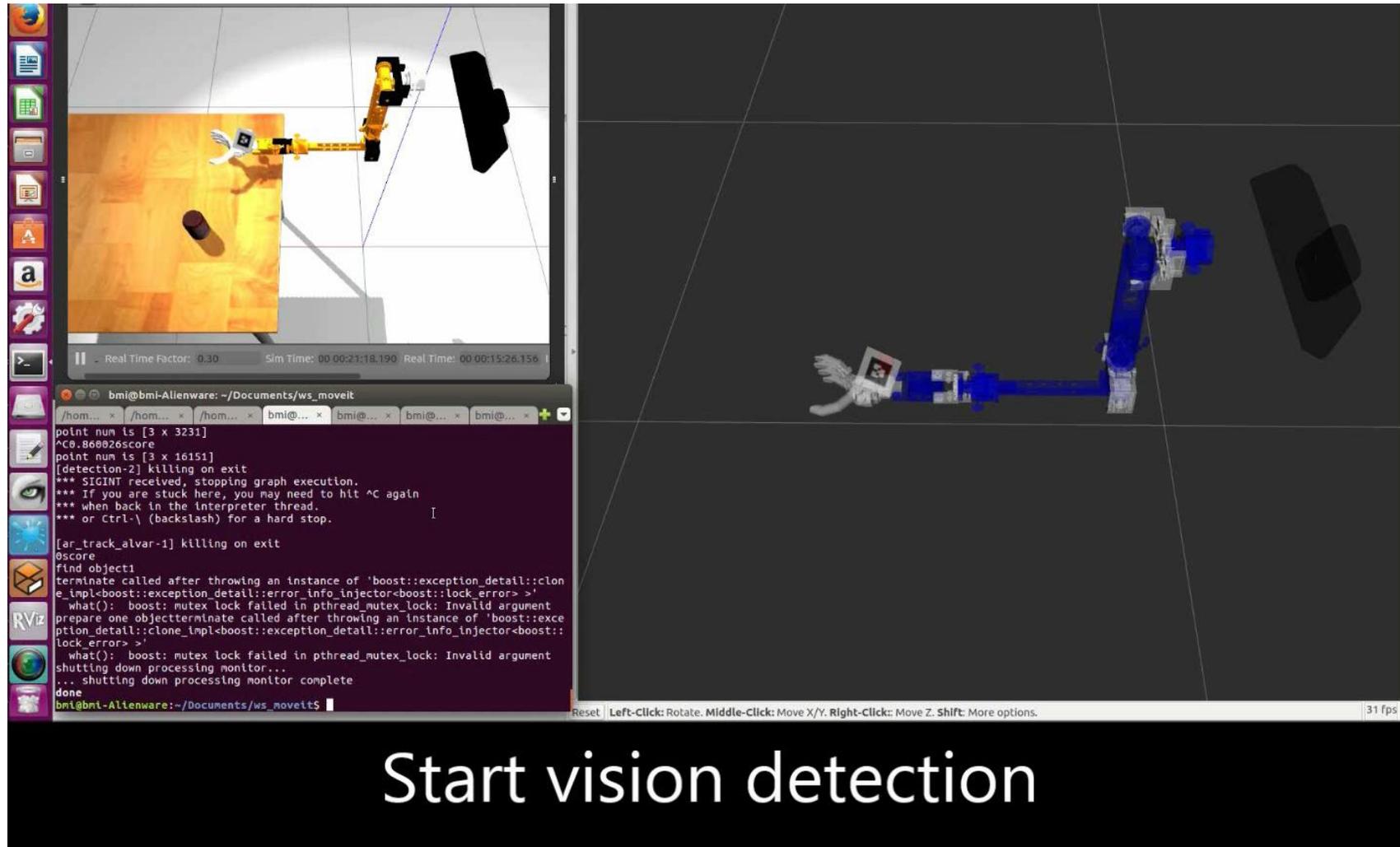


# Robot arm path planning

Using a RRT ( rapidly exploring random tree) method to find a Collision-free path.



# Simulation experiment



# Real robot experiment

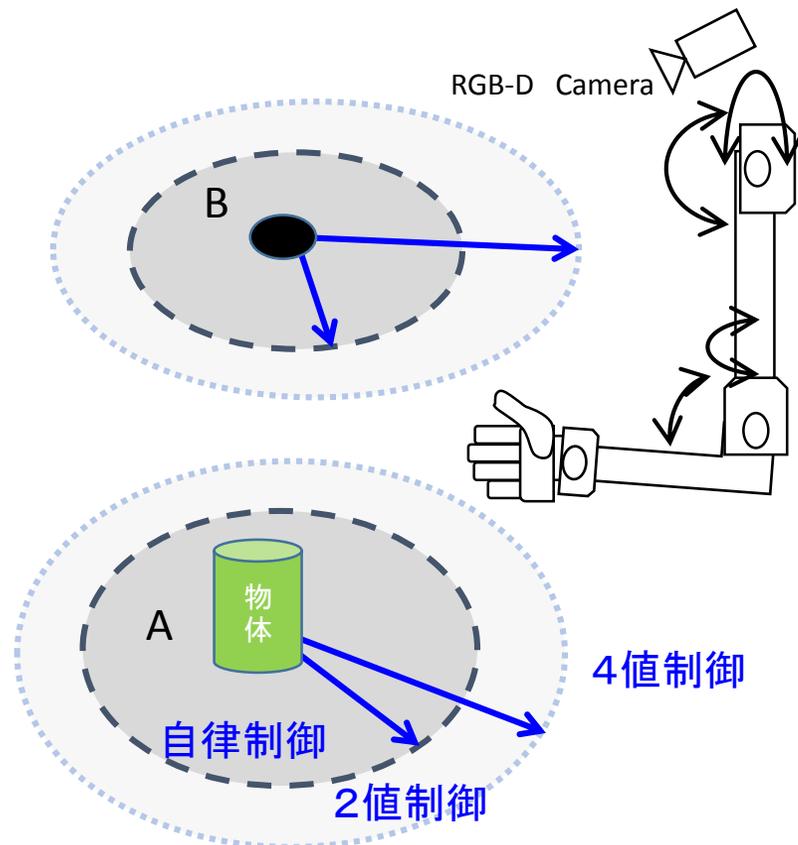


# BMI robot arm

- Basic System
- Machine vision based automatic grasping
- Control sharing with BMI system
  - Strategy
  - Experiment

# Sharing control with BMI system

- Using state switching such that either the BMI user or the robotic system had control during specific phases
- A Finite state machine system is used.

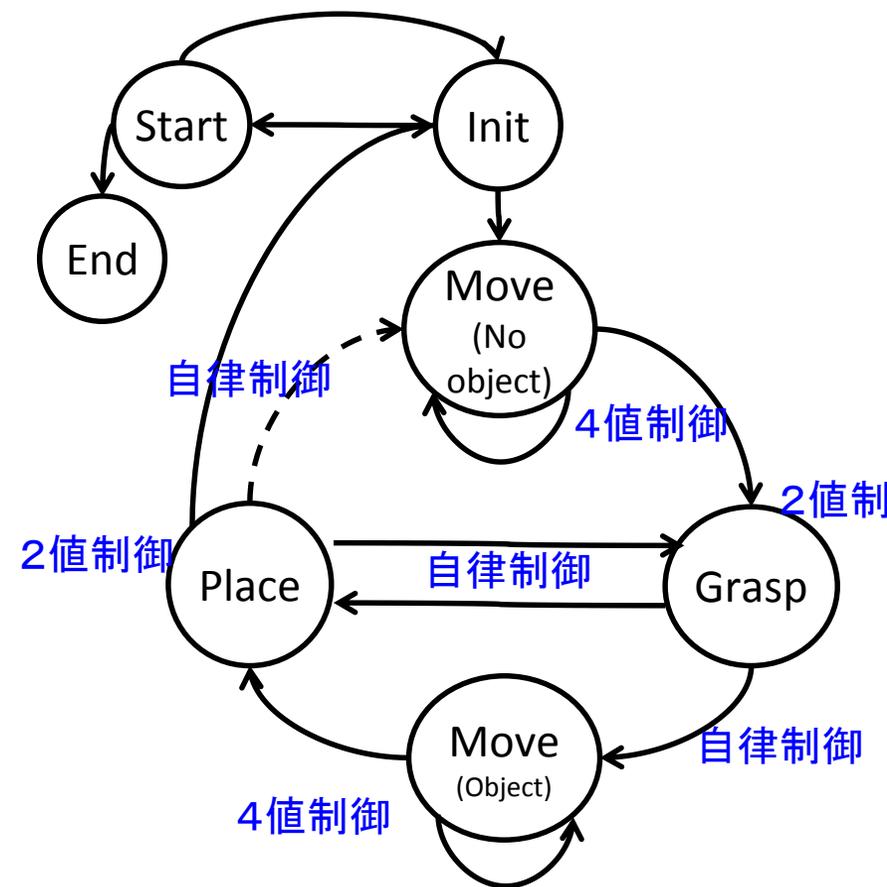


BMI:

Robot control

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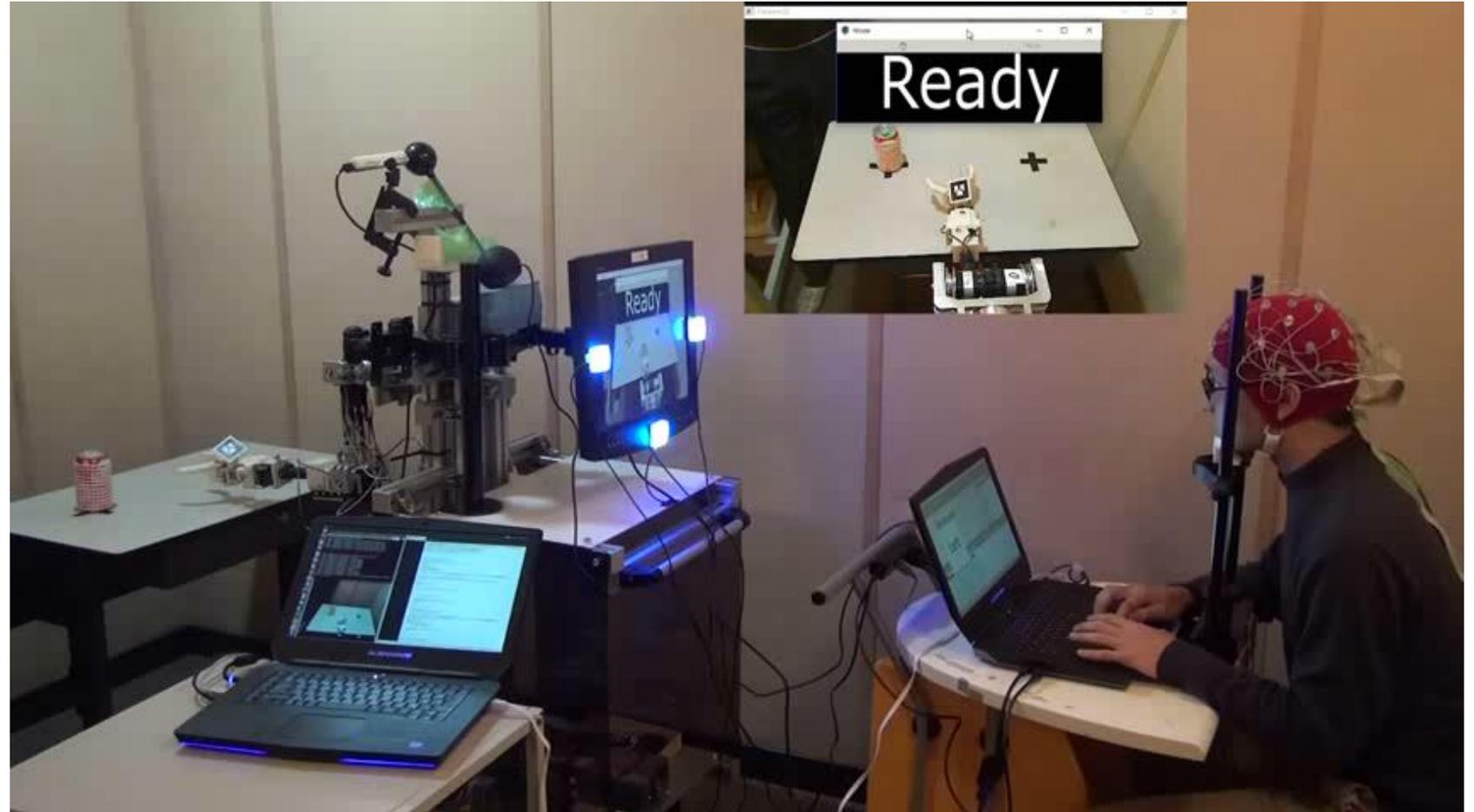
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把持姿勢探索, 物体の把持・保持・放す



Finite state machine

# BMI grasping experiment

- SSVEP is used for BMI system
- 10 tests are all successful and the average grasping time is 1 mins



# conclusion

- A light but powerful robot arm is designed. The robot arm has a similar DOF configuration and work space with human. The repeat precision is high.
- A vision based automatic grasping system is developed, which has good stability for special grasping task. More intelligent function is under developing.
- A Finite State Machine system is used to communication with the BMI.
- The robot control software is based on ROS.

**Thank you for your attention!**

