

# Controlling 'uncontrollable' stuff: playing with the H<sub>2</sub>Arm

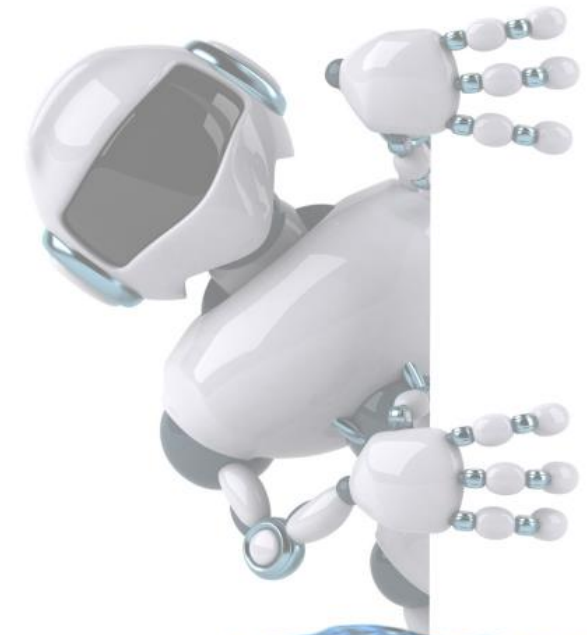
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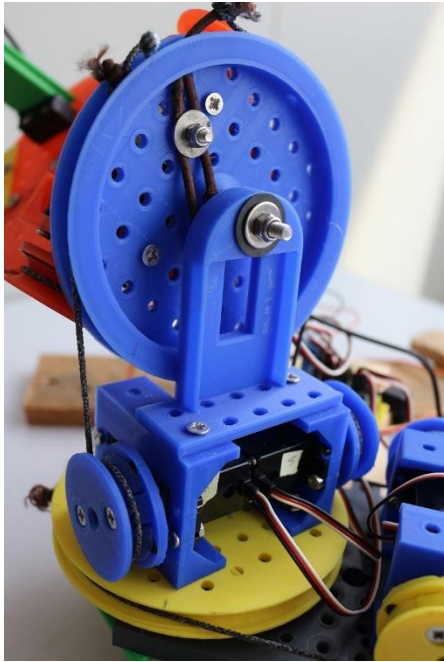


# ‘Uncontrollable’ stuff

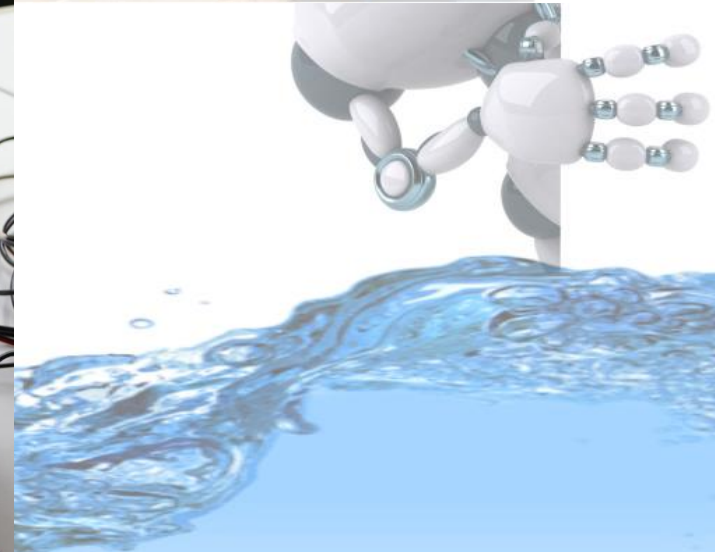
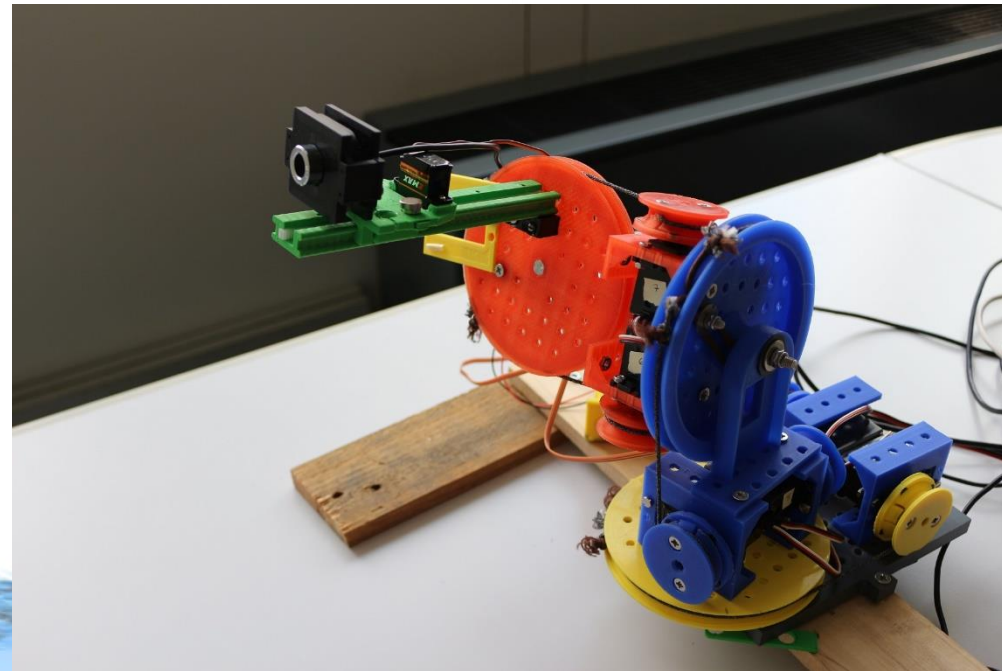
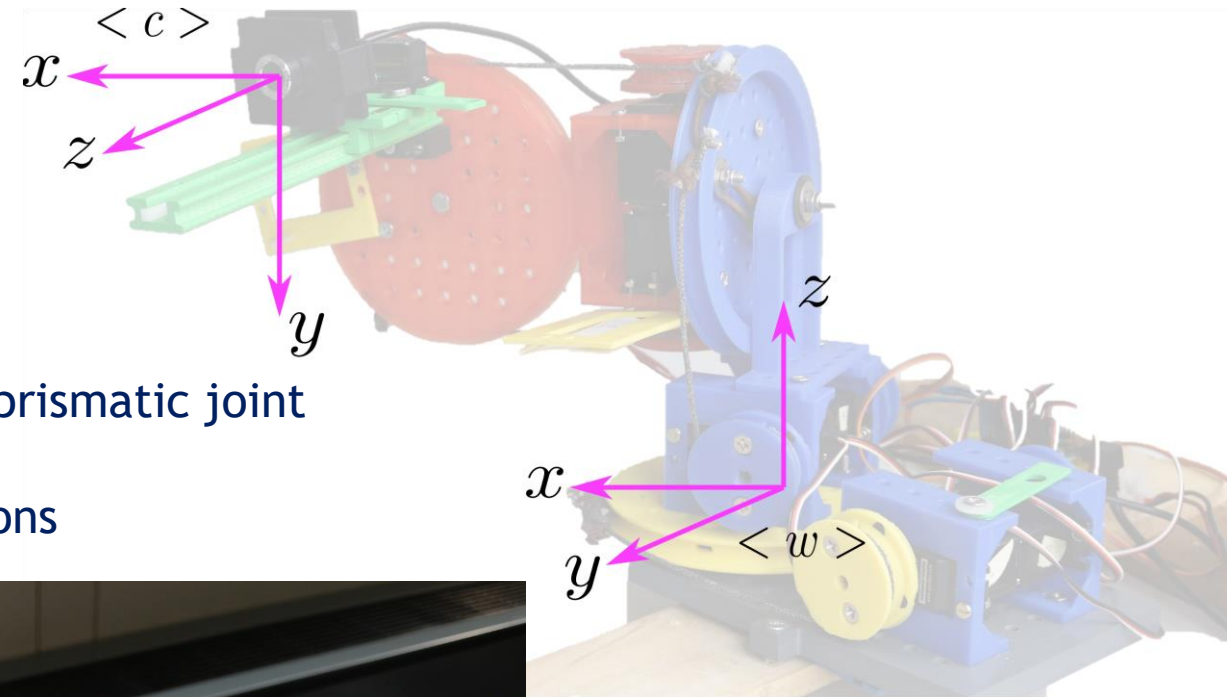
- Uncertain and complex dynamics
  - Uncertain model
  - Large noise affecting control scheme
  - Unstructured environment
  - Soft robots
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- Deterministic vs. stochastic algorithms
  - Use of ML



# H<sub>2</sub>Arm robotic setup

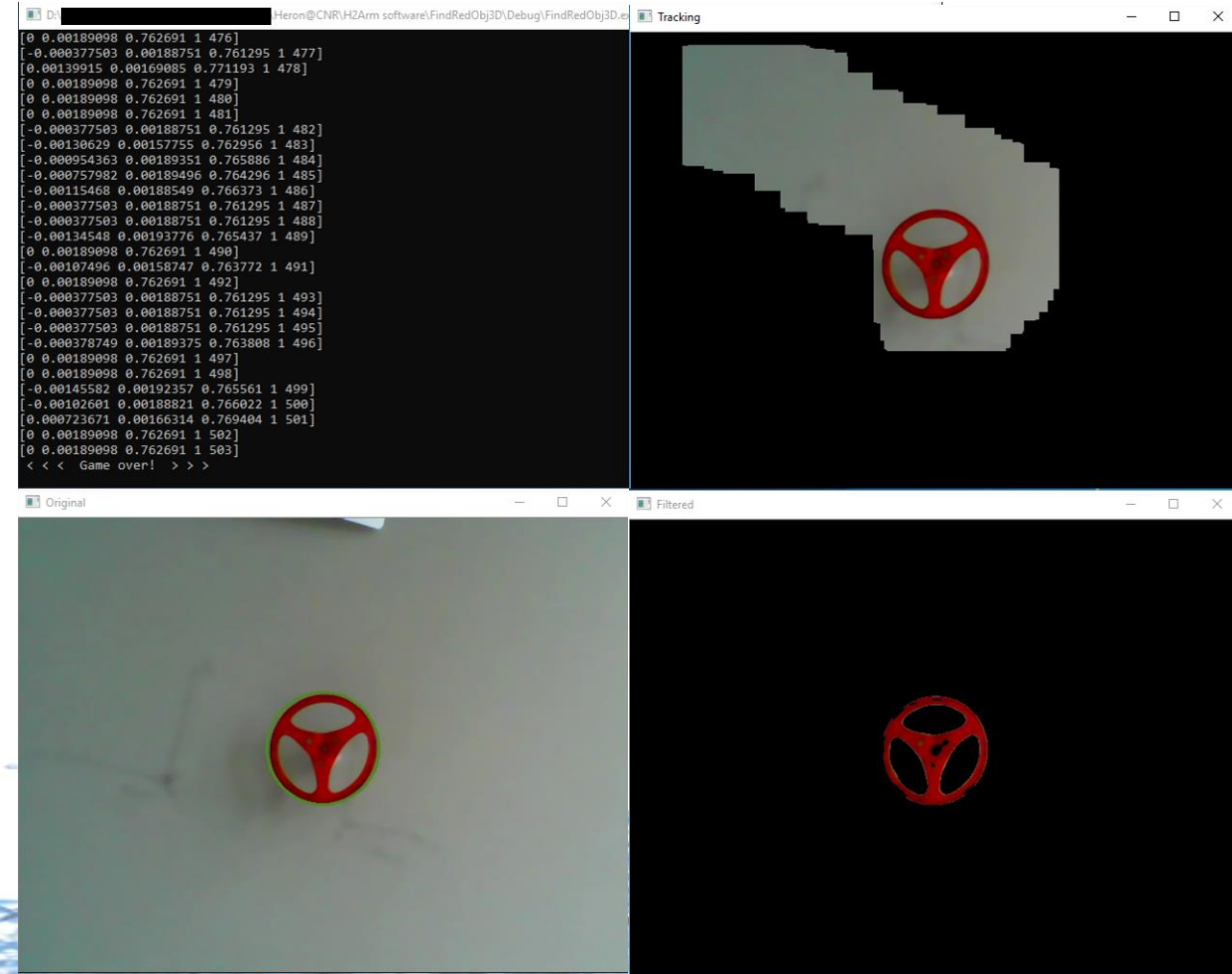
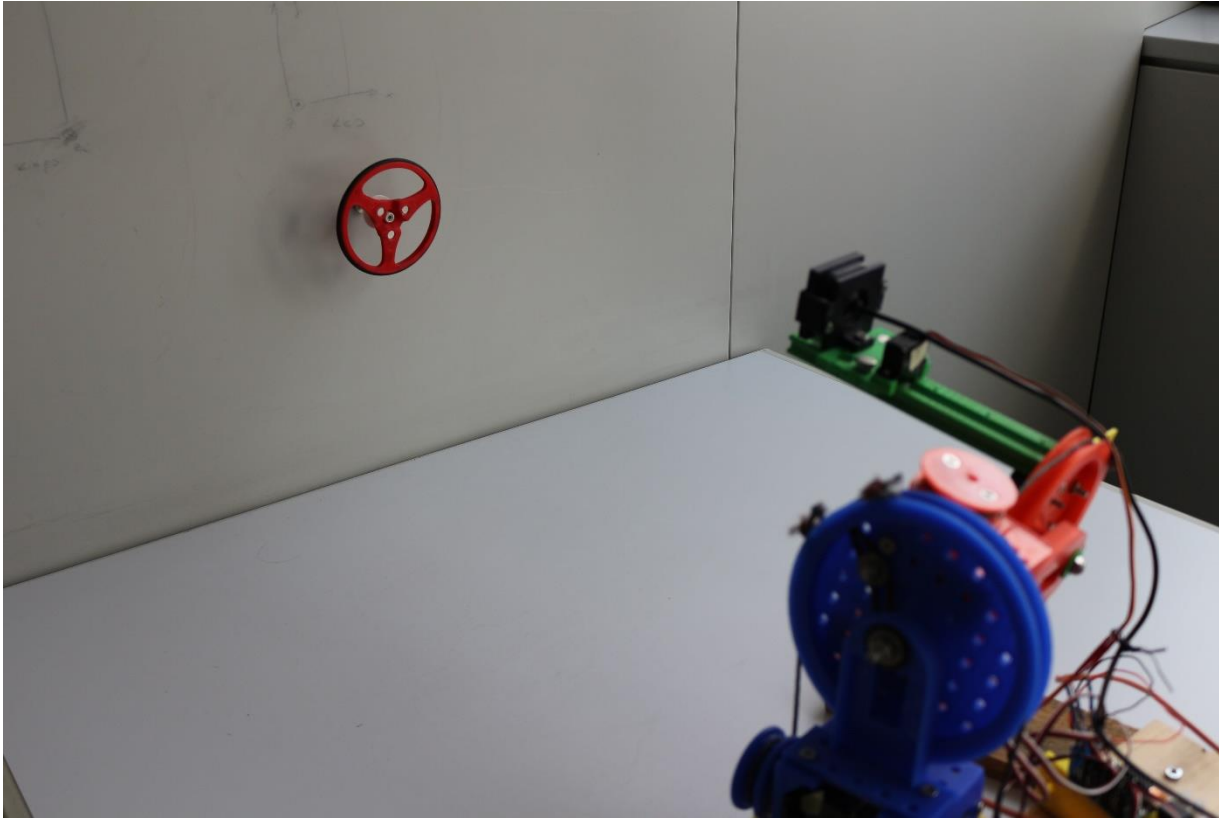


- 4 dofs, 3 rotational joints, 1 prismatic joint
- Webcam mounted on wrist
- Counteracting motors + tendons





# Required task

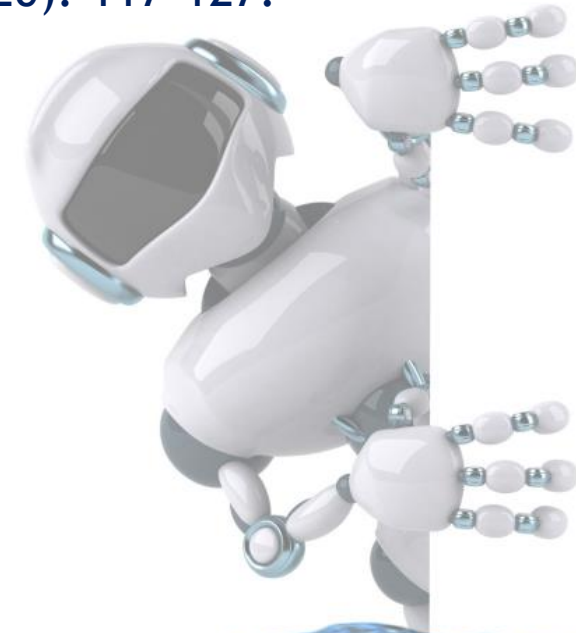


# Reproducibility

Fabio Bonsignorio and Enrica Zereik. "A simple visual-servoing task on a low-accuracy, low-cost arm: an experimental comparison between belief space planning and proportional-integral-derivative controllers." IEEE Robotics & Automation Magazine 28.3 (2020): 117-127.



**Deterministic**  
**VS**  
**Stochastic control**



# Belief Space Planning

- probability density function of the system state
- Gaussian distribution
- Uncertainties incorporated in the evolution of the belief state

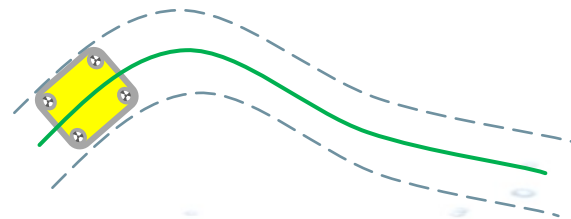
Robustness to measurement errors



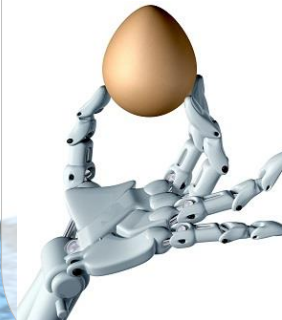
Robustness to disturbances



Compensate for uncertain kinematics and dynamics



end-effector distance from the target



underlying uncertainty





# BSP versus PID

**Input:**  $m_0, m_{\text{goal}}$

**Output:**  $u_{1:s}$

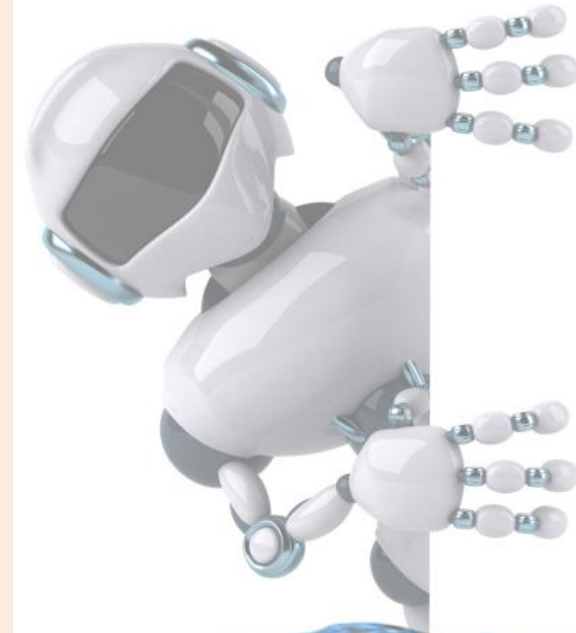
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1: initBSP ();
2: while  $\|e_t\| > thr_2$  do
3:    $(\bar{u}_{1:s}, \bar{m}_{1:s}) \leftarrow \text{CreatePlan}(m_t, m_{\text{goal}})$ ;
4:   for  $i = iCnt$  to  $s$  do
5:      $t = \text{GetSystemTime}()$ ;
6:      $u_t \leftarrow \text{LQR}(\bar{u}_t, \bar{m}_t, m_t)$ ;
7:      $z_t \leftarrow \text{MeasureBlob3Dposition}()$ ;
8:      $e_t \leftarrow m_{\text{goal}} - z_t + \xi$ ;
9:      $m_{t+1} \leftarrow \text{EKF}(m_t, u_t, z_t)$ ;
10:    if  $\|\bar{m}_t - m_t\| > thr_1$  then
11:       $rplCnt \leftarrow rplCnt + 1$ ;
12:      if  $rplCnt \% 5 == 0$  then
13:         $iCnt \leftarrow 1$ ;
14:      else
15:         $iCnt \leftarrow i$ ;
16:    break;
17:  DriveEE ( $u_t$ );
```

VS

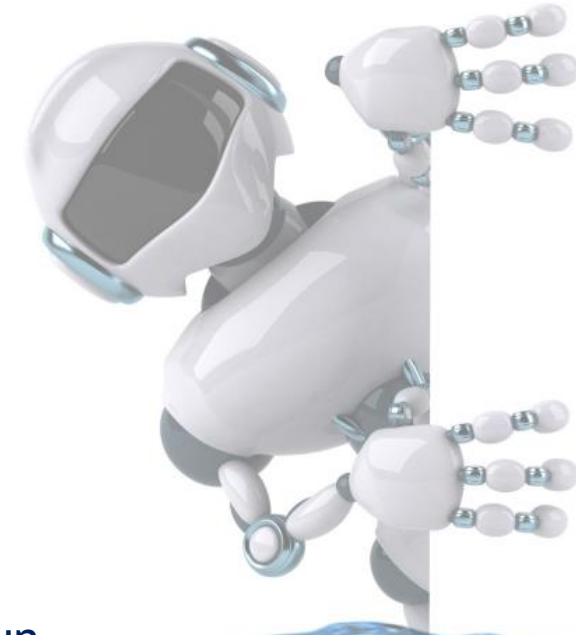
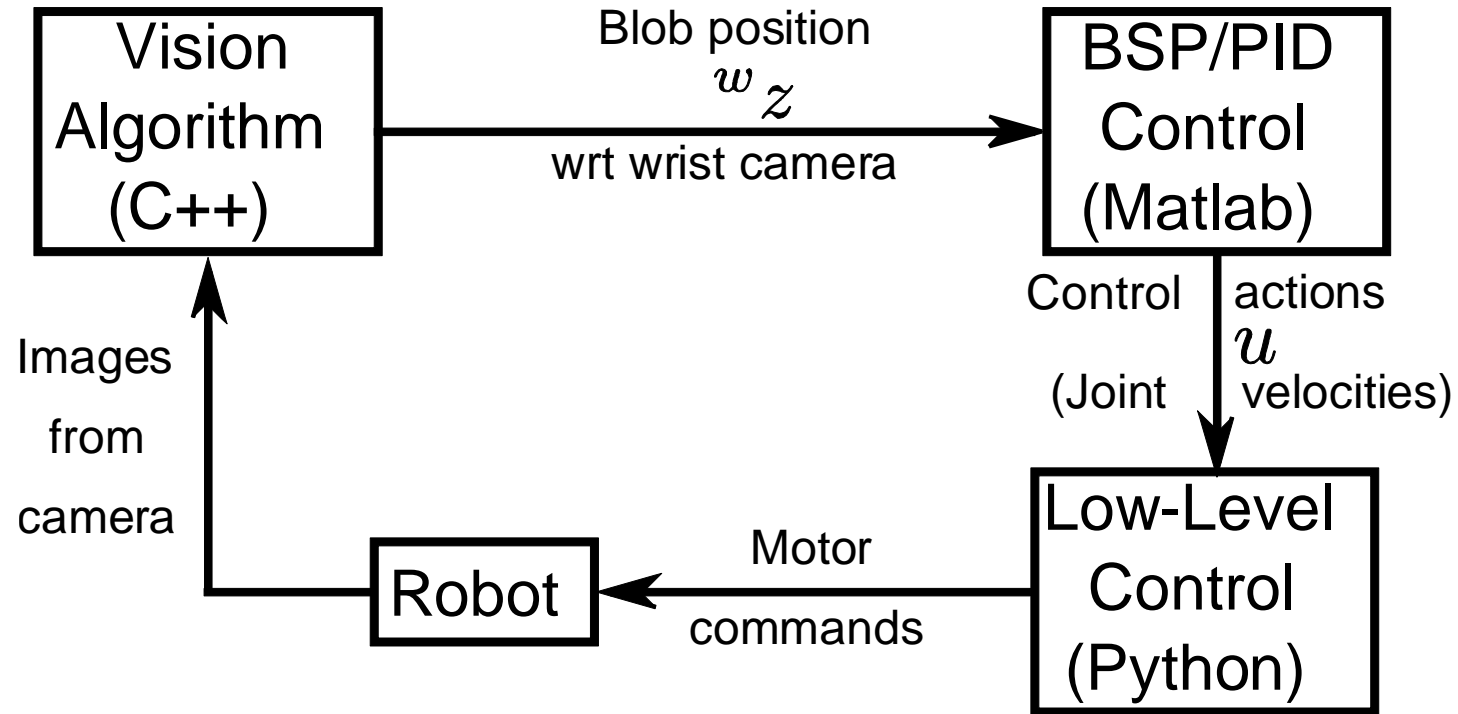
**Input:**  $p_0, p_{\text{goal}}$

**Output:**  $u_t$

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1: initPID ();
2: while  $\|e_t\| > thr_2$  do
3:    $t = \text{GetSystemTime}()$ ;
4:    $dt = t - t'$ ;
5:    $z_t \leftarrow \text{MeasureBlob3Dposition}()$ ;
6:    $e_t \leftarrow p_{\text{goal}} - z_t + \xi$ ;
7:    $e_{t'} = e_{t'} + e_t dt$ ;
8:    $u_t = k_p e_t + k_i e_{t'} + k_d (e_t - e_{t'}) / dt$ ;
9:    $t' = t$ ;
10: DriveEE ( $u_t$ );
```



# H2Arm software architecture

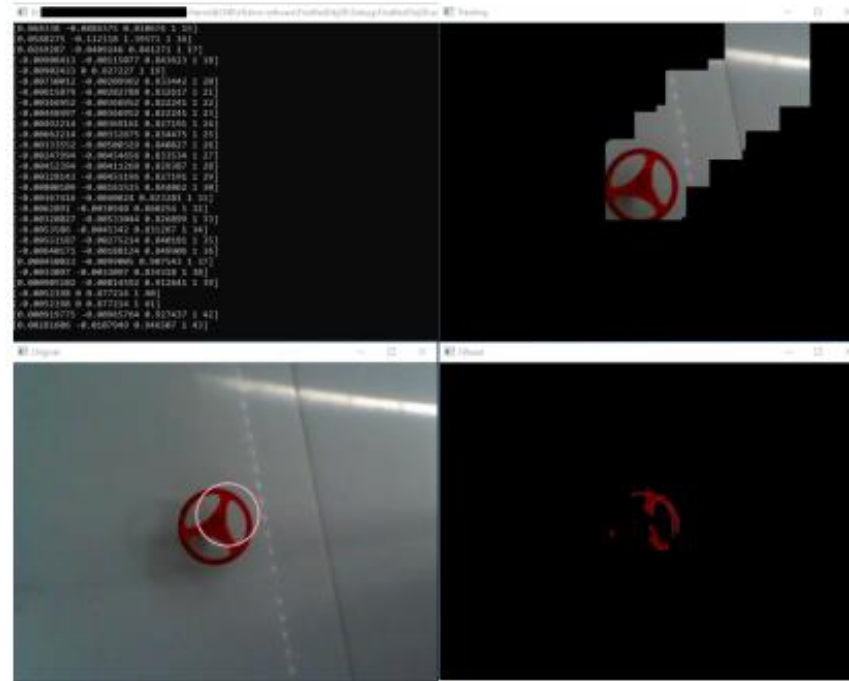


- Vision algorithm and low-level control are the same for each experimental run
- Blocks communicate through standard sockets

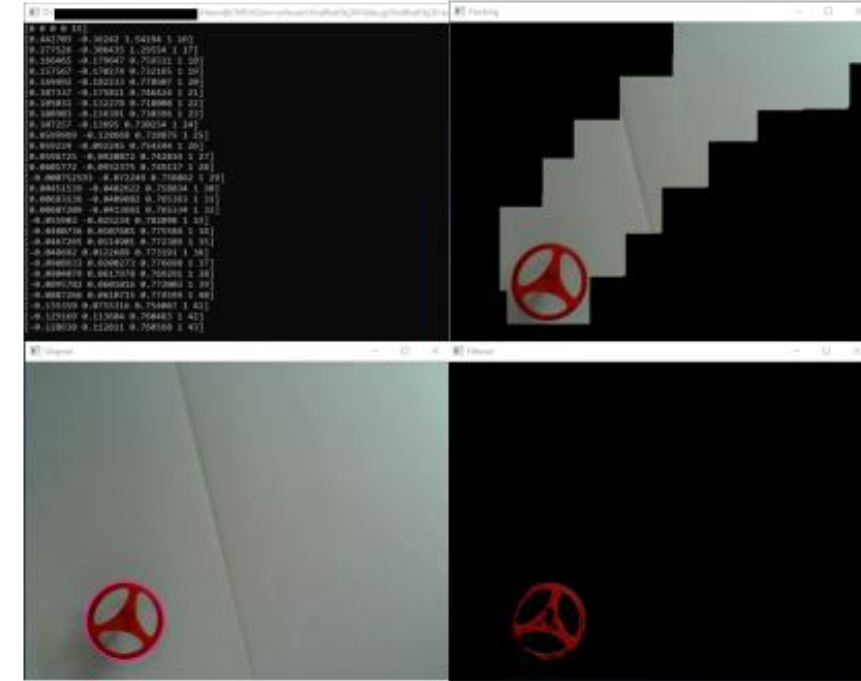


# Additional Noise

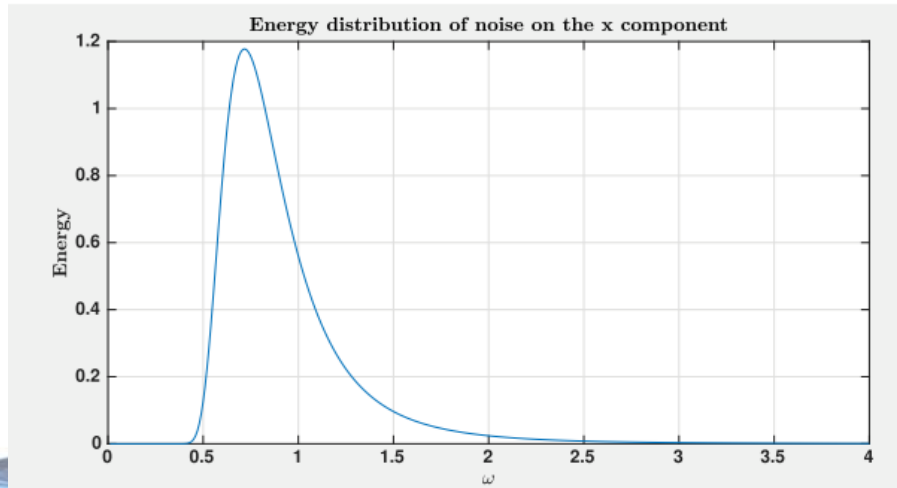
Test Campaign	Calib	Blob	Noise	Cartesian axes wrt $\langle c \rangle$	w
First	Yes	Fixed	No	-	0
			No	-	0
		Moving	Yes	$2, x - y$	0.05
			Yes	$3, x - y - z$	0.05
			Yes	$3, x - y - z$	0.025
Second	Yes	Fixed	No	-	0
			Yes	$3, x - y - z$	0.025
		Moving	Yes	$3, x - y - z$	0.035
Third	No	Fixed	No	-	0
		Moving	Yes	$3, x - y - z$	0.035



(a) Estimation in a successful BSP experiment (fixed blob, no additional noise)



(b) Estimation in a failed PID experiment (fixed blob, no additional noise)



- Additional noise distributed as the Pierson-Moskowitz spectrum
- Environmental noise (e.g. illumination)



# Results at a glance

## First test campaign

Fixed blob, no noise			Moving blob, no noise			Moving blob, 2ax-noise w = 0.05			Moving blob, 3ax-noise w = 0.025			Moving blob, 3ax-noise w = 0.05			TOTAL		
<i>BSP control</i>																	
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
8	11	72.7	5	5	100	10	10	100	15	15	100	21	22	95.5	59	63	93.7
<i>PID control</i>																	
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
4	12	33.3	5	6	83.3	13	30	43.3	3	11	27.3	1	12	8.3	26	71	36.6

## Second test campaign

Fixed blob, no noise			Moving blob, 3ax-noise w = 0.025			Moving blob, 3ax-noise w = 0.035			TOTAL		
<i>BSP control - optimized system</i>											
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
17	19	89.5	6	6	100.0	6	6	100.0	29	31	93.5
<i>PID control - optimized system</i>											
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
12	15	80.0	2	6	33.3	3	6	50.0	17	27	63.0

## Third test campaign

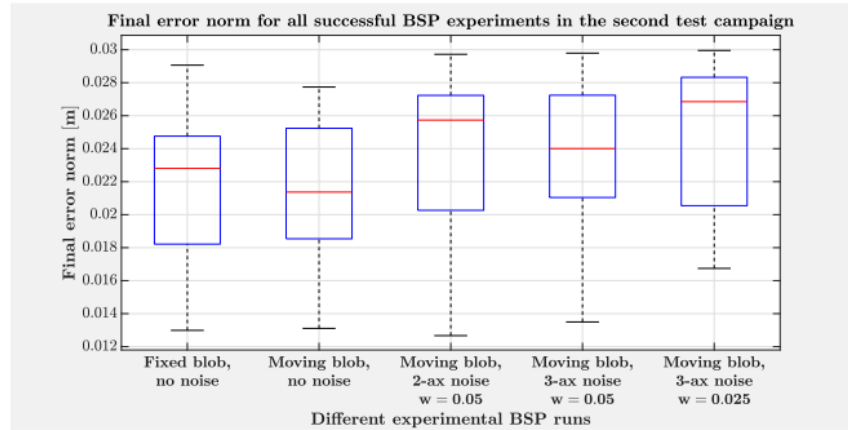
Fixed blob, no noise			Moving blob, 3ax-noise w = 0.035			TOTAL		
<i>BSP control - uncalibrated system</i>								
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
4	5	80.0	5	5	100.0	9	10	90.0
<i>PID control - uncalibrated system</i>								
Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%	Good	Tot	%
0	5	0.0	1	7	14.3	1	12	8.3

- BSP
  - 97 successful experiments out of 104 (93.3%)
  - 109.6 seconds average execution time
- PID
  - 44 successful experiments out of 110 (40%)
  - 31.5 seconds average execution time



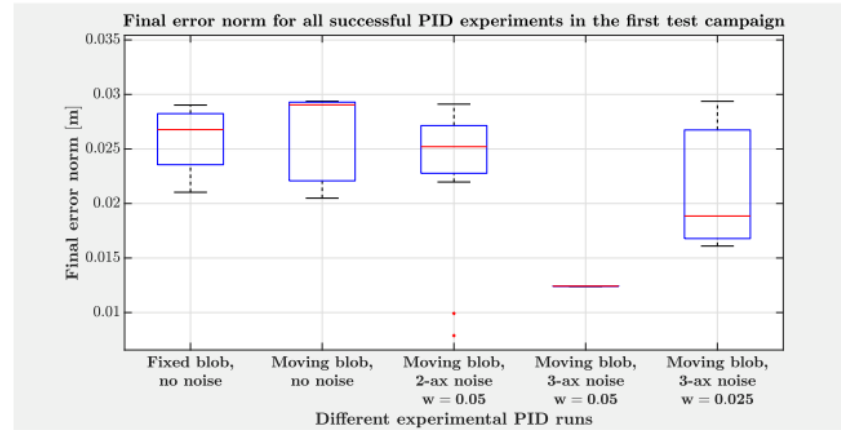
# Results of the first test campaign

72.7% 100% 100% 100% 95.5%

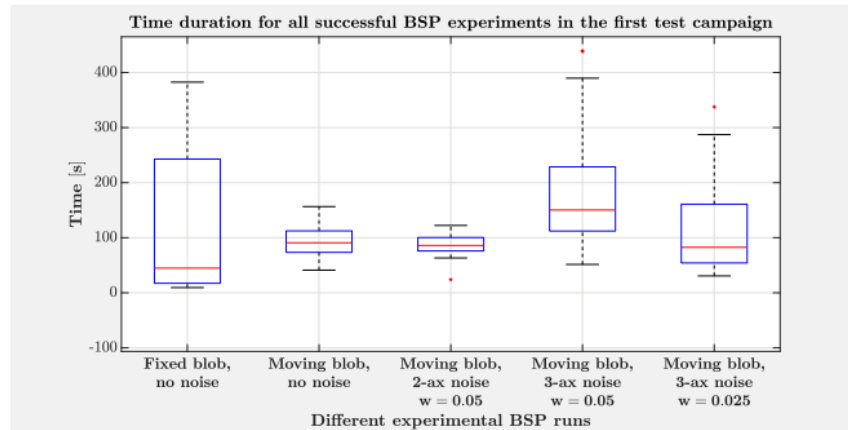


(a) Final error norm for all BSP successful experiments

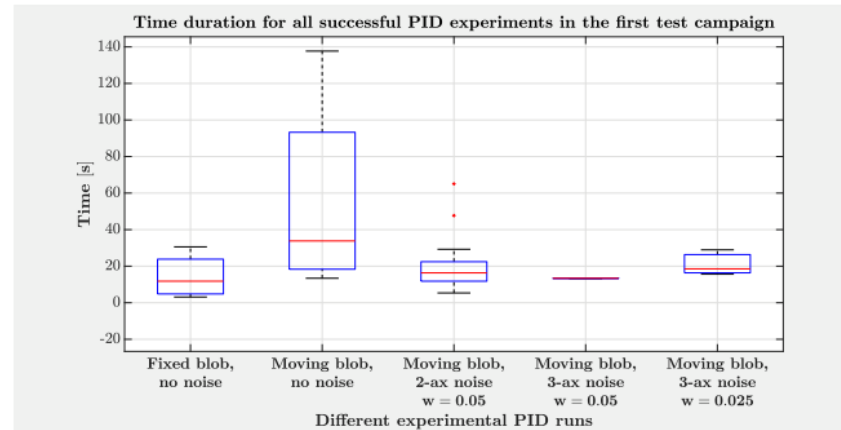
33.3% 83.3% 43.3% 27.3% 8.3%



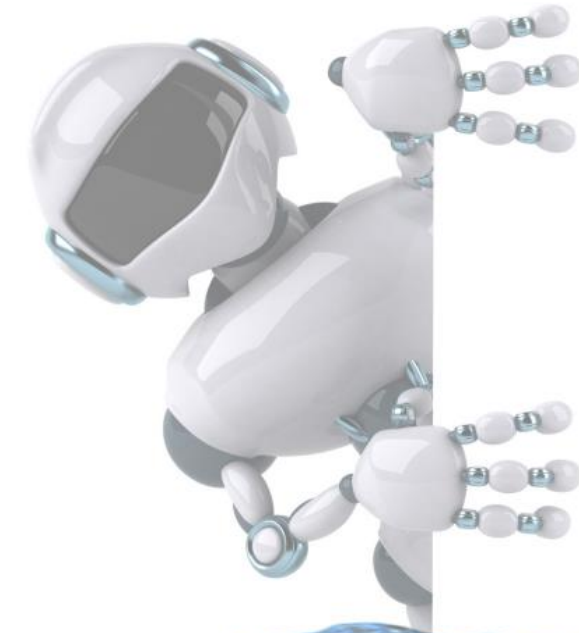
(b) Final error norm for all PID successful experiments



(c) Time duration for all successful BSP experiments

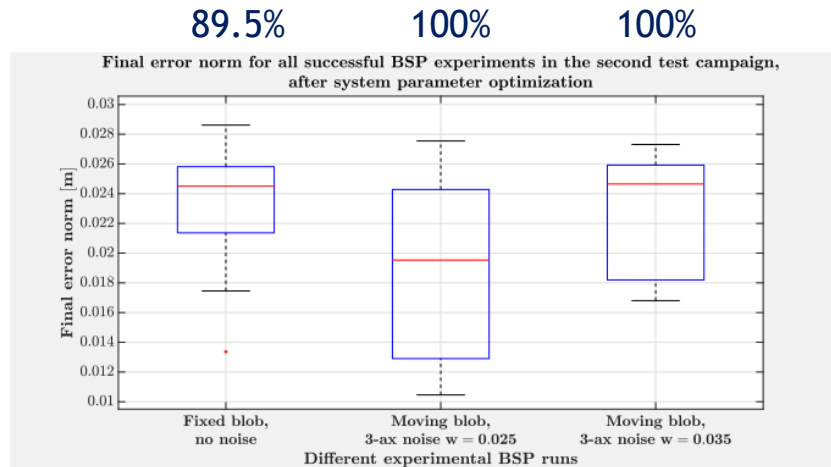


(d) Time duration for all successful PID experiments

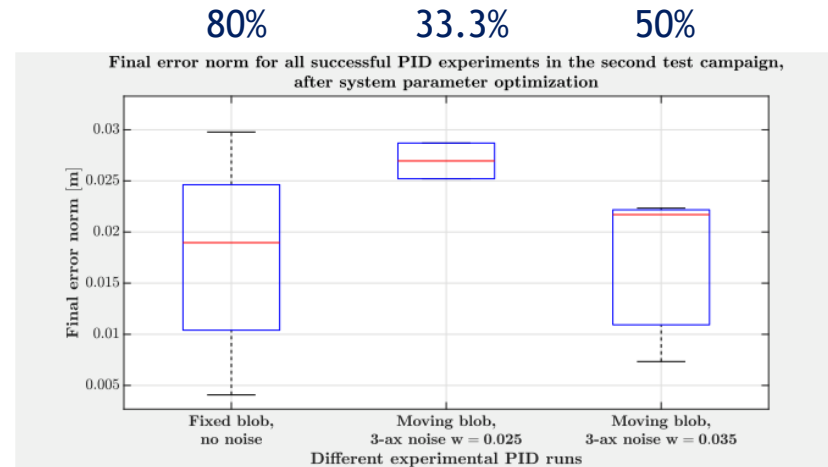




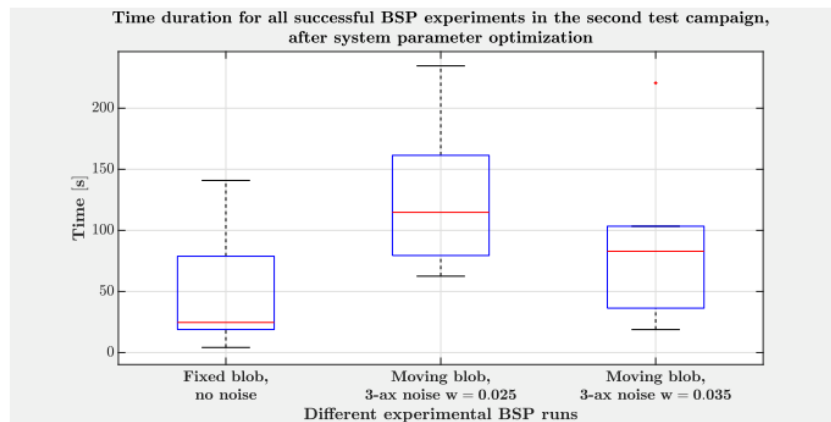
# Results of the second test campaign



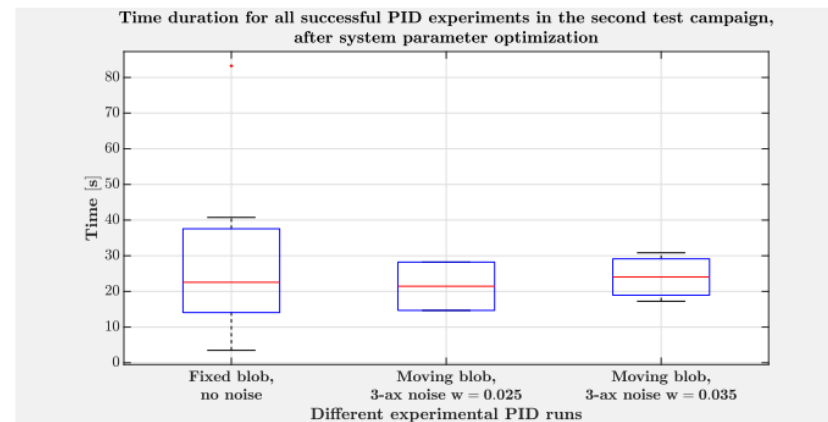
(a) Final error norm for all BSP successful experiments



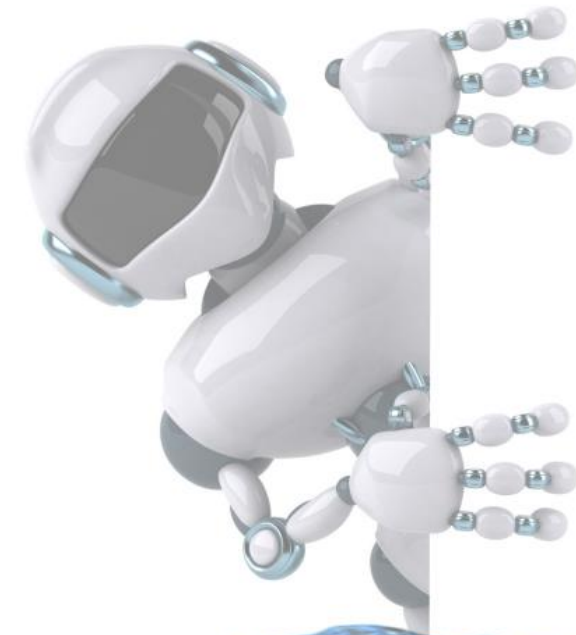
(b) Final error norm for all PID successful experiments



(c) Time duration for all successful BSP experiments

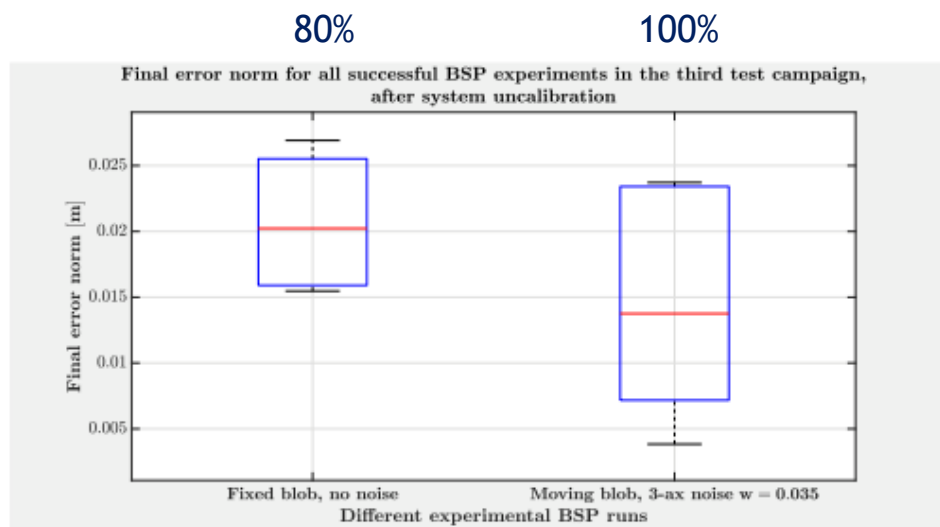


(d) Time duration for all successful PID experiments

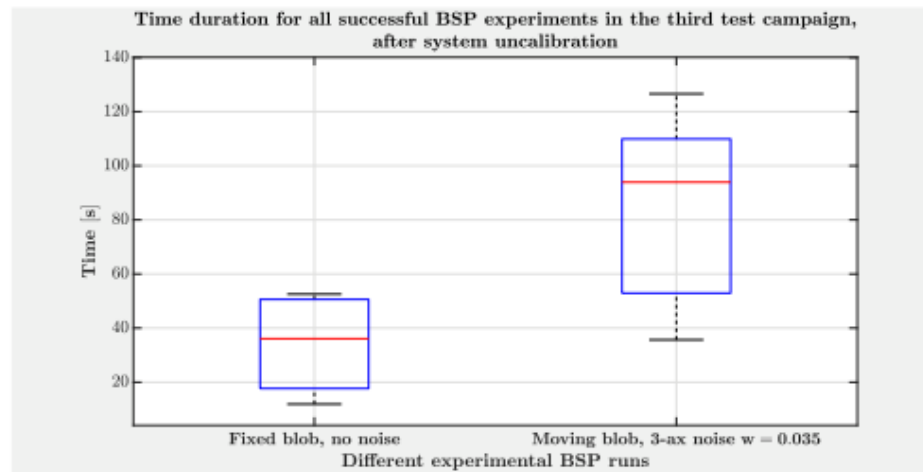


# Results of the third test campaign

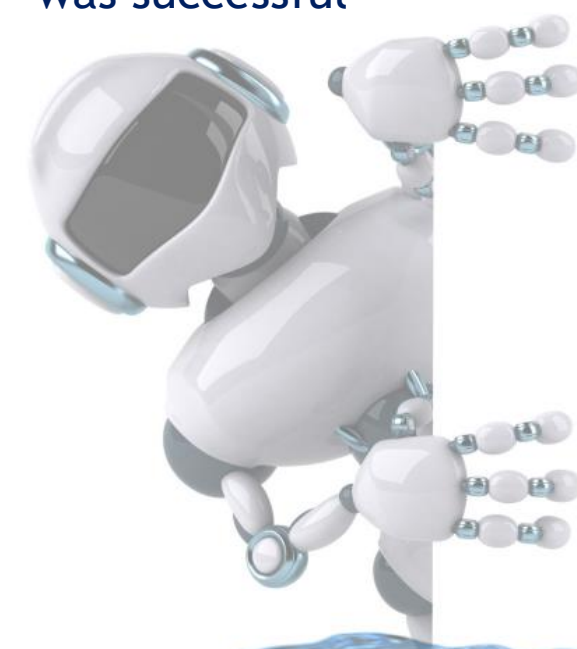
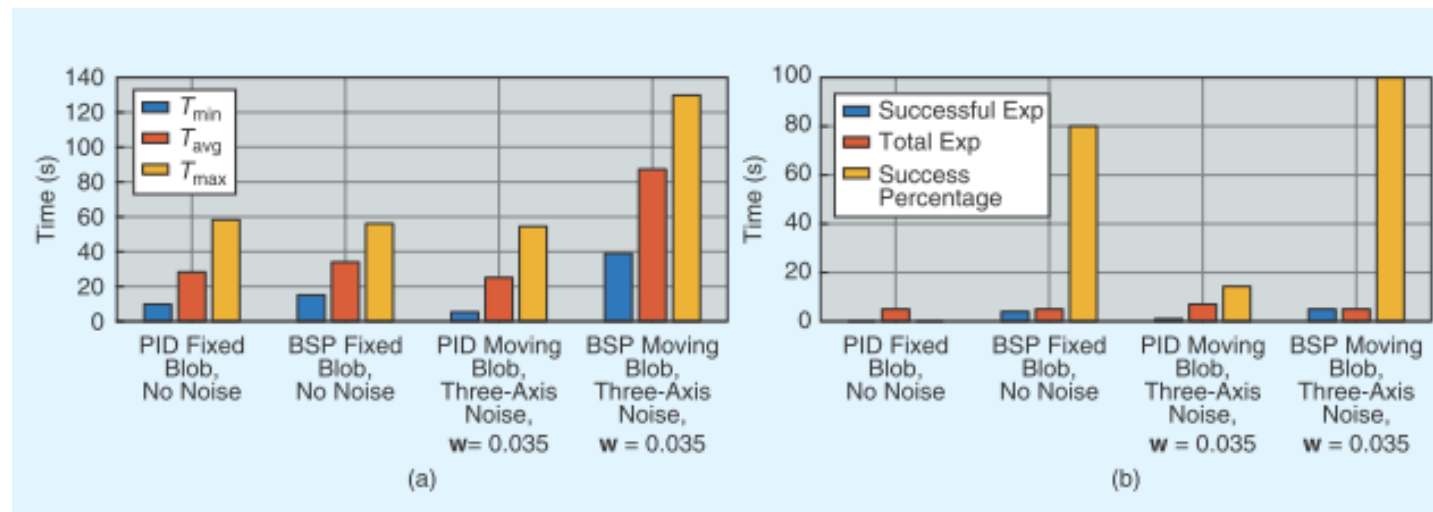
No plot on final error norm for PID because just one experiment for each PID category was successful



(a) Final error norm for all BSP successful experiments

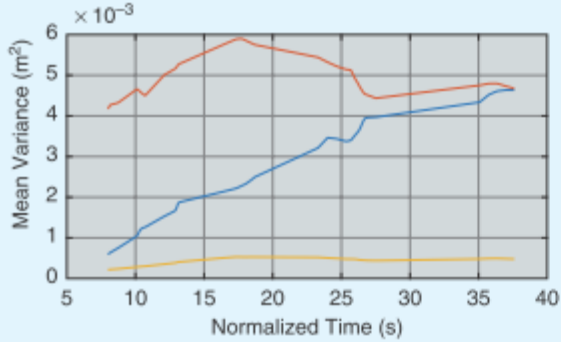


(b) Time duration for all successful BSP experiments

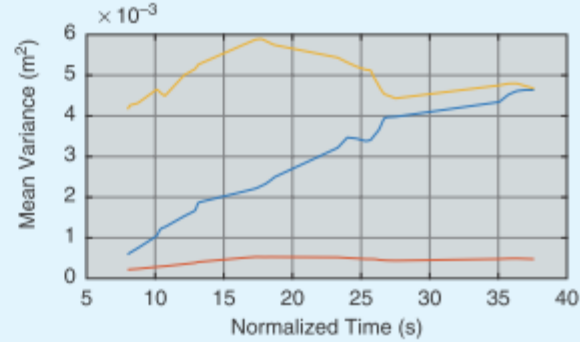


# Results of the third test campaign – successful runs

BSP  
fixed  
blob  
no  
noise

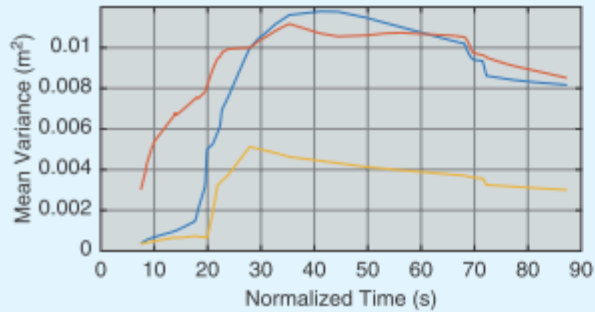


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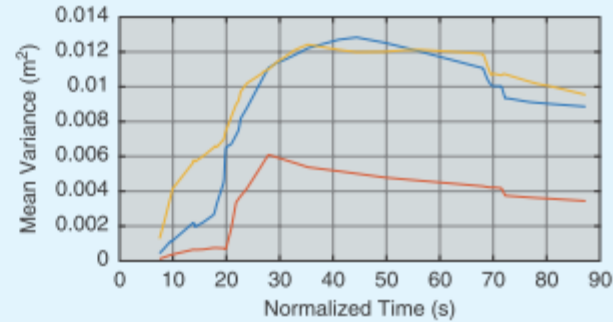


(b)

BSP  
moving  
blob  
w=0.035

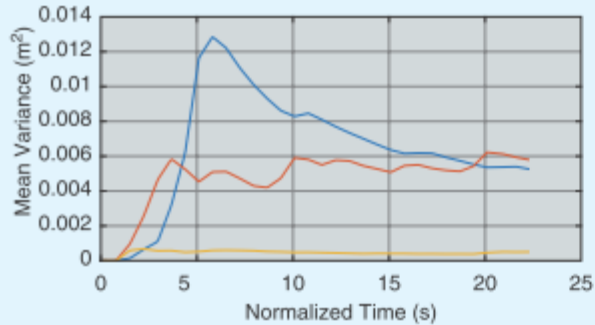


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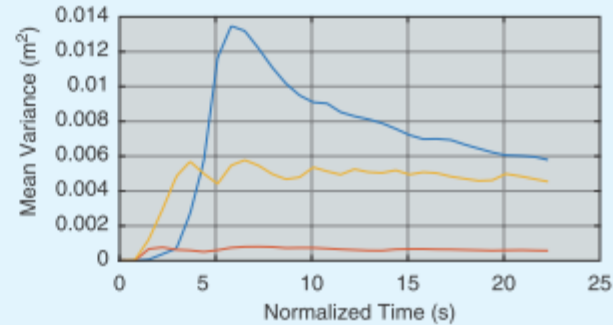


(d)

PID  
moving  
blob  
w=0.035



(e)



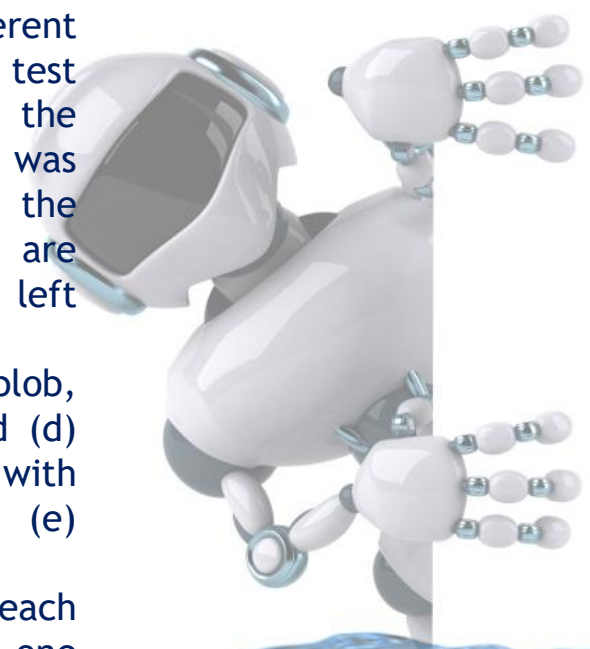
(f)



The time evolution of mean posterior variance of the blob position measurement (left column) and of the end-effector Cartesian error (right column) throughout successful experiments in the different categories of the third test campaign. No PID run in the “fixed blob, no noise” case was successful. As expected, the graphs in the right column are very similar to those in the left column.

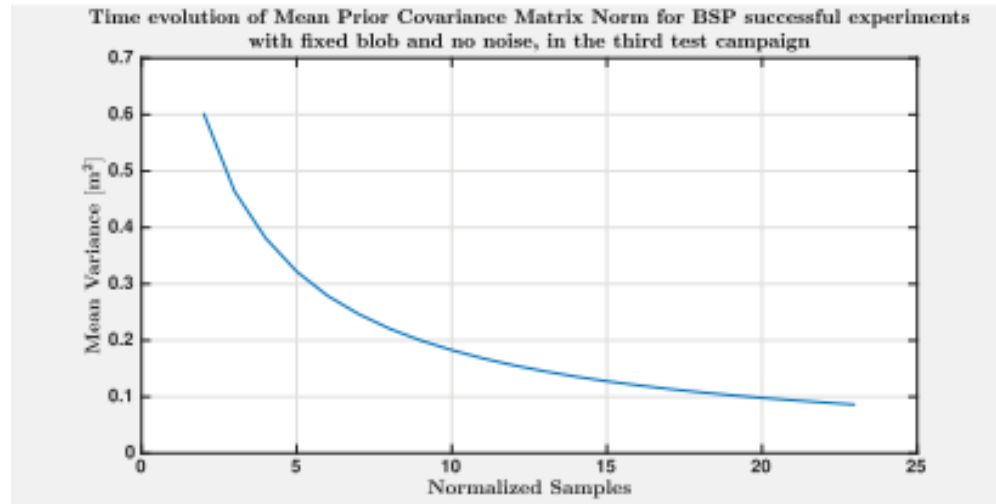
(a) and (b) BSP with fixed blob, each with no noise. (c) and (d) BSP moving blob, each with three-axis noise,  $w = 0.035$  (e) and (f)

PIDs with moving blobs, each with three-axis noise, [Just one experiment in each of (e) and (f) was successful.]

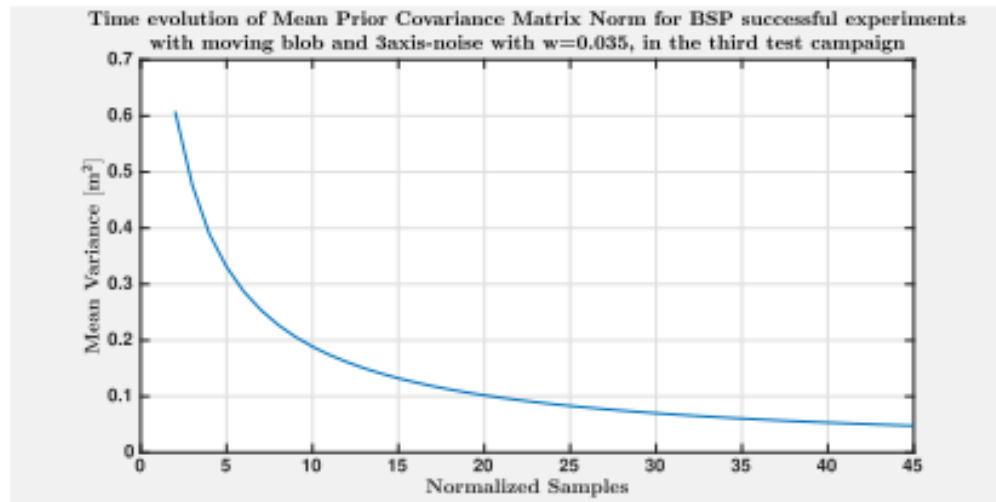




# Results of the third test campaign - successful runs

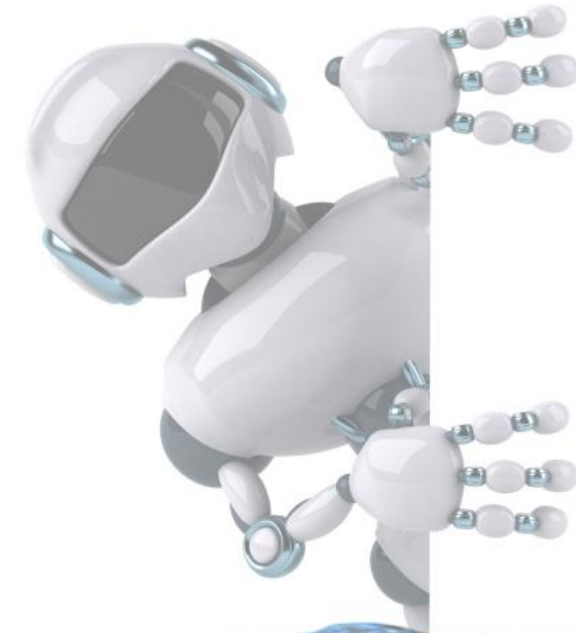


(a) *BSP fixed blob no noise*



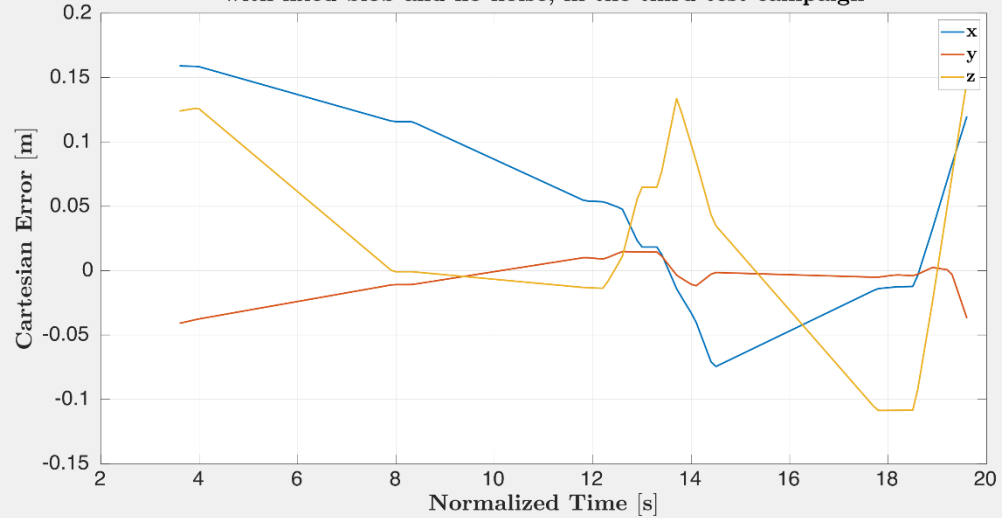
(b) *BSP moving blob 3-ax noise,  $w = 0.035$ .*

Time evolution of mean prior covariance matrix norm throughout successful BSP experiments in the different categories of the third test campaign.

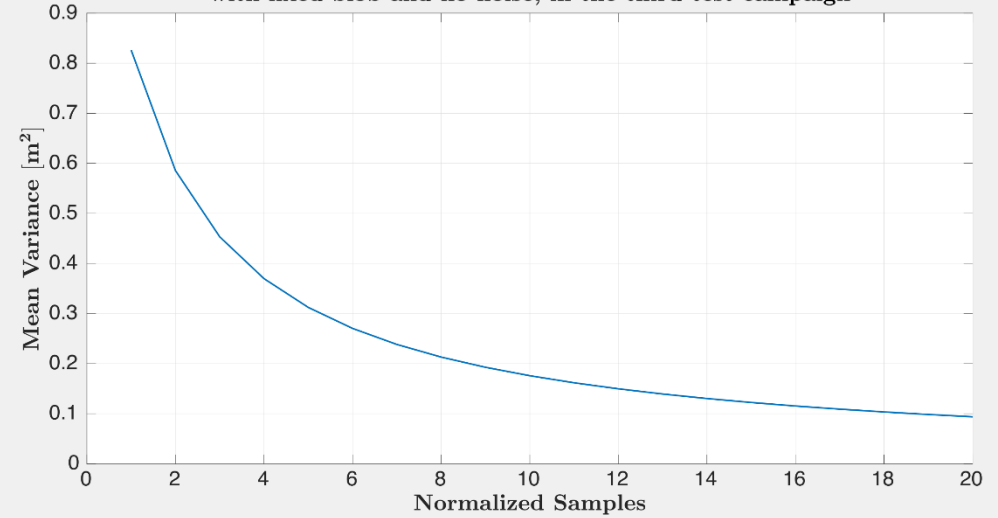


# Results of the third test campaign - failed runs

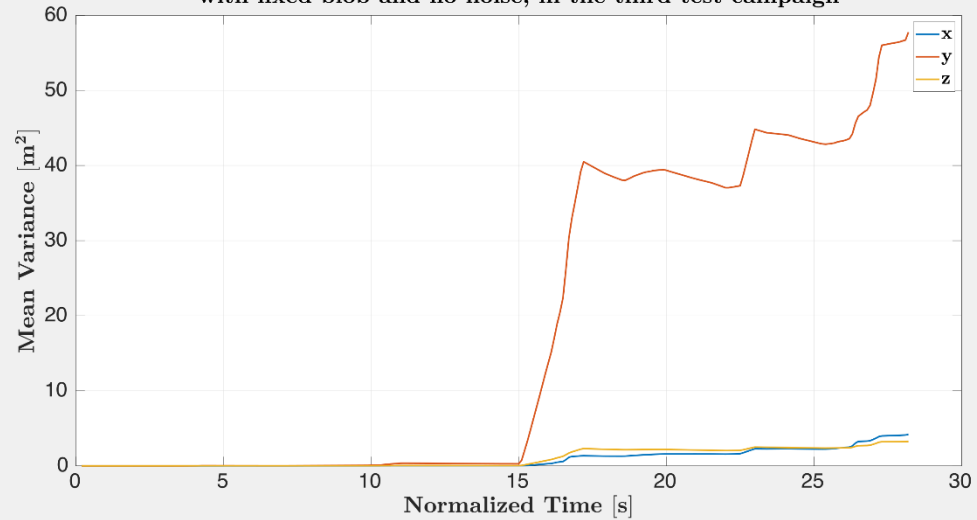
Time evolution of Mean Cartesian Error for BSP failed experiments with fixed blob and no noise, in the third test campaign



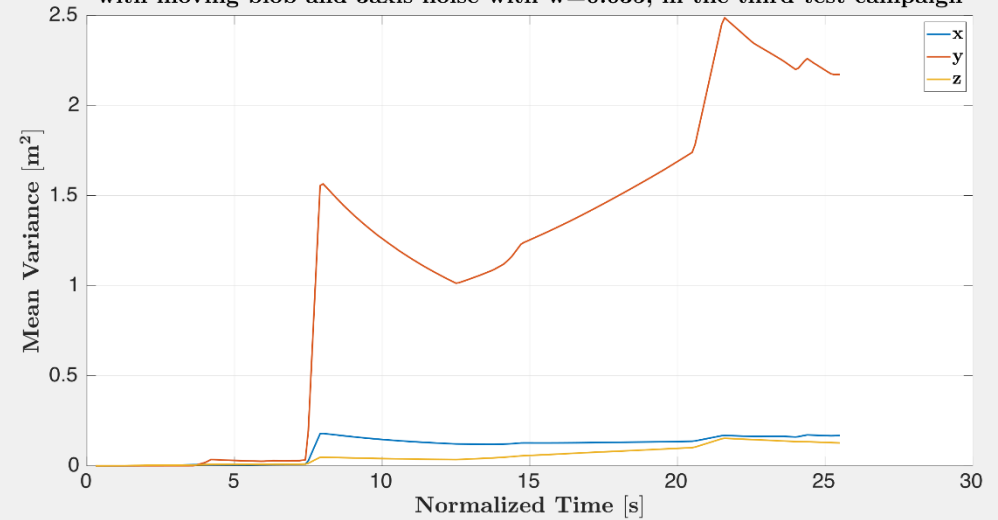
Time evolution of Mean Prior Covariance Matrix Norm for BSP failed experiments with fixed blob and no noise, in the third test campaign



Time evolution of Mean Posterior Variance of Cartesian Error for PID failed experiments with fixed blob and no noise, in the third test campaign



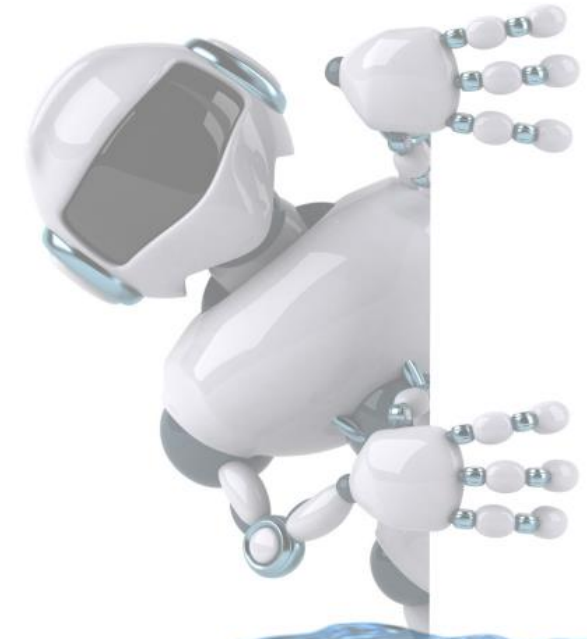
Time evolution of Mean Posterior Variance of Cartesian Error for PID failed experiments with moving blob and 3axis-noise with  $w=0.035$ , in the third test campaign



# Discussion of results

*Thanks to the experiment reproducibility it was possible to fairly compare BSP and PID:*

- **Effects of noise:**
  - benefit from randomization
  - low precision of the vision system
- **Effects of LLC uncalibration:**
  - BSP: 9 successful runs over 10
  - PID: 1 successful run over 12
- **Effects of Measurement Variance on Experiments**
  - vision-based measurements intrinsically affected by noise
  - BSP enhances the measurement process with its smoother motion
  - BSP mean measure variance more homogeneous wrt PID
  - BSP control strategy limits unnecessary vibrations and large spikes on the motors





# Lesson learned

- PID surely works for **heavy, rigid** and **very accurate** robotic structures, but it is not suitable for soft or lightweight and non-repeatable robots
- BSP, on the contrary, performs well on systems affected by high noise and uncertainty
- PID is faster in task execution than BSP
- BSP is computationally heavy
- Reproducibility allows to highlight significant behaviours of the system, and to fully investigate the trigger causes



# Reproducible articles

Three main components:

**1. Main article:**

General idea, motivations, high-level description of the work, results in brief

**2. Supplemental material:**

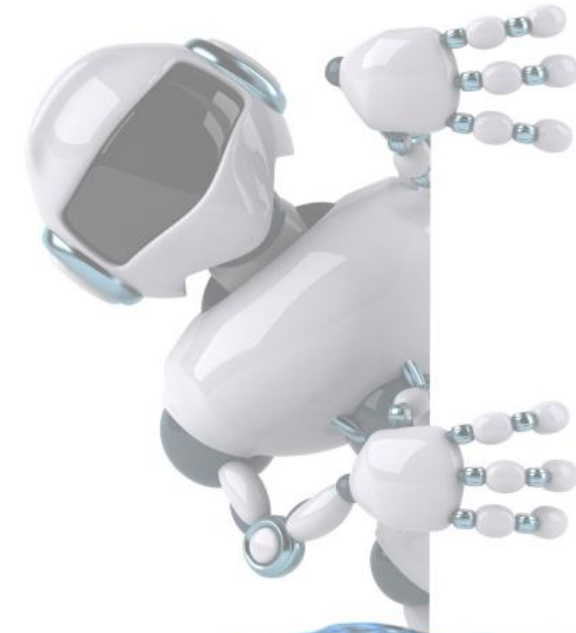
Methodology, full results, discussion, experiment user guide

**3. Data and code repository**

Implemented code, logged datasets, user guide to experiment, eventually hardware specs

## H2Arm - BSP vs PID experiments - Supplemental Material

- *Introduction and Problem statement*
- *Materials and Methods* (system setup, software components, control strategies)
- *Results* (experiments, disturbance and noise modeling, description of test campaigns)
- *Discussion* (BSPvsPID comparison, effects of noise, effects of motor uncalibration, effects of measurements variance)
- *User guide* (hardware and software setup, material organization on DataPort, changing experiment parameters, launching procedure)



# Supplemental information

Model A	Param set							
	1		2		3		4	
	$\tau_j$	$K_j$	$\tau_j$	$K_j$	$\tau_j$	$K_j$	$\tau_j$	$K_j$
$J_1$	0.001	4	0.001	4	0.001	4	0.001	4
$J_2$	0.001	2	0.001	2	0.001	3	0.001	4
$J_3$	0.01	1	0.01	1	0.001	1	0.001	1
$J_4$	0.01	8	0.01	10	0.001	10	0.001	10

Model B	Param set							
	1				2			
	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$
$J_1$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0
			$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	4			$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	4
			$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	3			$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	3
$J_2$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0
			$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	4			$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	5
			$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	3			$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	4
	$\tau_j$		$K_j$		$\tau_j$		$K_j$	
$J_3$	0.01		1		0.01		1	
$J_4$	0.01		10		0.01		10	



Model C	Param set									
	1				2					
	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$		
$J_1$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0		
			$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	2			5	$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	1	4
			$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	1			4	$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	1	3
$J_2$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0		
			$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	4			3	$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	6	5
			$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	3			2	$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	5	4
	$\tau_j$		$K_j$		$\tau_j$		$K_j$			
$J_3$	0.01		1		0.01		1			
	$\tau_j$		$K_j$		$\tau_j$		$K_j$			
$J_4$	0.01		10		0.01		6			

Model D	Param set									
	1				2					
	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$	$\tau_{j,1}$	$\tau_{j,2}$	working area	$K_j$		
$J_1$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,1}$	0		
			$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	2			5	$\tau_{1,1} < \dot{q}_1 < \tau_{1,2}$	2	5
			$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	1			4	$\dot{q}_1 > \tau_{1,2}$	1	4
$J_2$	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0	0.0001	0.001	$\dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,1}$	0		
			$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	4			3	$\tau_{2,1} < \dot{q}_2 < \tau_{2,2}$	3	2
			$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	3			2	$\dot{q}_2 > \tau_{2,2}$	2	2
	$\tau_j$		$K_j$		$\tau_j$		$K_j$			
$J_3$	0.01		1		0.01		1			
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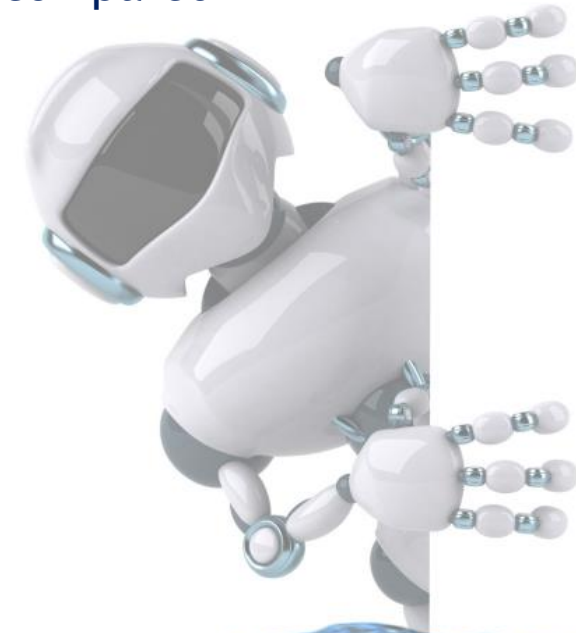
## BSP

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First	Fixed blob, no noise	3	6	500	500	150	A	1	
		3	3	500	500	150	A	1	
		2	2	500	5	150	A	2	
	Moving blob, no noise	5	5	500	500	150	A	2	
	Moving blob, 2ax-noise, w = 0.05	10	10	250	250	150	A	2	
	Moving blob 3ax-noise, w = 0.05	5	5	250	250	150	A	2	
		1	1	250	250	150	A	3	
		1	1	250	250	150	A	4	
		1	1	250	250	150	B	2	
	13	14	250	250	150	B	1		
	Moving blob, 3ax-noise, w = 0.025	15	15	250	250	150	B	1	
	Second	Fixed blob, no noise, optimized system	10	12	250	250	150	B	1
			1	1	250	250	150	D	1
1			1	250	250	150	D	2	
5			5	250	250	150	C	1	
Moving blob, 3ax-noise, w = 0.025, optimized system		6	6	250	250	150	C	1	
Moving blob, 3ax-noise, w = 0.035, optimized system		6	6	250	250	150	C	1	
Third	Fixed blob, no noise, uncalibrated system	4	5	250	250	200	C	2	
	Moving blob, 3ax-noise, w = 0.035, uncalibrated system	5	5	250	250	200	C	2	

## PID

Test Campaign	Category	# succ runs	# tot runs	k <sub>p</sub>	k <sub>i</sub>	k <sub>d</sub>	t <sub>vis</sub> [ms]	t <sub>LLC<sub>stop</sub></sub> [ms]	t <sub>LLC<sub>go</sub></sub> [ms]	LLC model	param set	
First	Fixed blob, no noise	1	1	$\frac{4}{7}$	$\frac{10}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	500	500	150	A	1	
		2	5	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{10}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	500	500	150	A	1	
		1	6	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	500	500	150	A	1	
	Moving blob, no noise	5	6	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	500	500	150	A	2	
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	Moving blob 3ax-noise, w = 0.05	0	1	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	150	B	1	
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	Second	Fixed blob, no noise, optimized system	7	10	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	150	B	1
			5	5	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	150	C	1
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		1	4	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	150	C	1	
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Third		Fixed blob, no noise, uncalibrated system	0	5	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	200	C	2
	Moving blob, 3ax-noise, w = 0.035, uncalibrated system	1	7	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{5}{1000}$	$\frac{1}{700}$	250	250	200	C	2	

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# Code repository

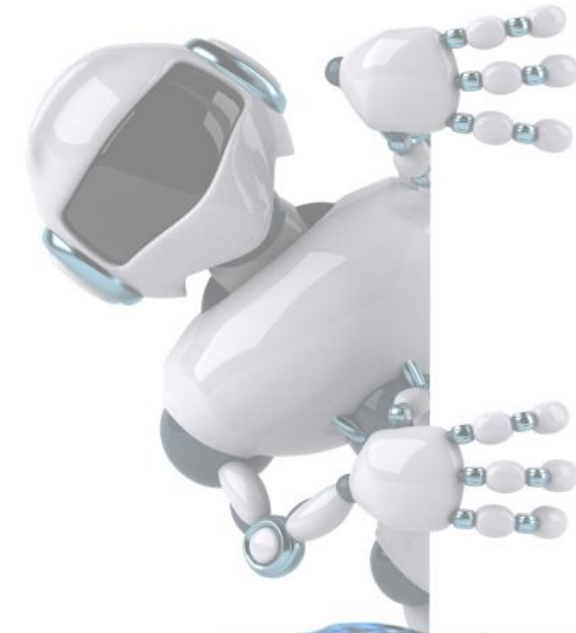
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In our work, in order to validate our reproducible research platform and provide a template methodology for its usage, we have thoroughly compared in a reproducible way the performance of simple BSP and PID controls when applied to a light-weight, low accuracy and compliant open source robot arm (H2Arm). BSP significantly outperforms PID on this platform, but not w.r.t. to all metrics. The findings are interesting by themselves. They also show how easily statistically weak results can lead to qualitatively wrong conclusions, if you cherry-pick results.

The present dataset contains: i) CAD design to 3D-print the H2Arm; ii) experimental data of comparison BSP vs PID; iii) all the code used to perform the experiments (both BSP and PID).

All the data in this repository are linked (and thoroughly documented in the paper "An Experimental Comparison of BSP and PID Controllers for A Simple Visual-servoing Task on a Low-Accuracy Low-Cost Arm" by Fabio Bonsignorio and Enrica Zereik, accepted for publication in IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine).

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7     jupyter==1.0.0 \
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9     && conda clean -ya
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13     pyserial==3.4
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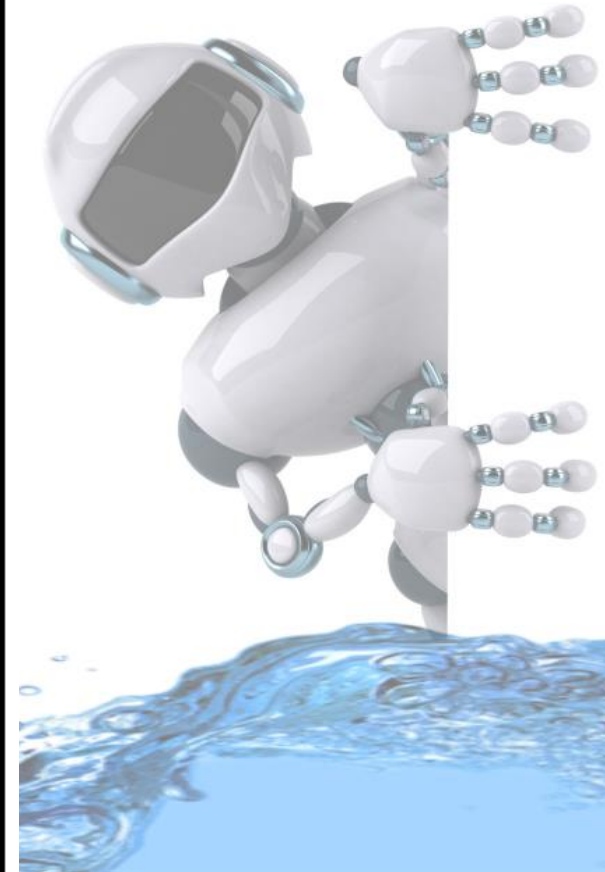
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- Code Editor:** The main area shows a MATLAB script named "run.sh" with the following code:

```
158 w_dError = 0.0;
159 w_hError = 0.0;
160
161 i = 1;
162 cmdTime0 = tic;
163
164 while norm(error) > thr2
165     i = i+1;
166     %-----READ FROM SOCKET-----%
167     while (connCplusplus.BytesAvailable > 0)
168         readBuff = fread(connCplusplus, 5, 'single');
169     end
170     if size(readBuff,1) ~= 0
171         z = readBuff(size(readBuff,1)-4:size(readBuff,1));
172     else
173         z=[0 0 0 0]';
174     end;
175     %-----READ FROM SOCKET-----%
176     if(z(4) == 1.0)
177         wave_noise_x = wave_scale*waveGen(SpectX, omega_x, wave0_x, z(5)*MEAS_ST);
178         wave_noise_y = wave_scale*waveGen(SpectY, omega_y, wave0_x, z(5)*MEAS_ST);
179         wave_noise_z = wave_scale*waveGen(SpectZ, omega_y, wave0_z, z(5)*MEAS_ST);
180         wave_noise =[wave_noise_x wave_noise_y wave_noise_z]';
181
182         z_0 = Te0(1:3,1:3)*z(1:3);
183         error = z(1:3)+wave_noise-finalDistance_wrt_cam;
184         w_error = Te0(1:3,1:3)*error;
185
186         passedTime(i) = toc(cmdTime0);
187         dt = passedTime(i)-passedTime(i-1);
188
189         w_dError = (w_error-w_prevErr)/dt;
190         w_hError = w_hError + w_error*dt;
191         w_prevErr = w_error;
192
193         ular = kp*w_error + kd*w_dError + ki*w_hError;%PID control action
194
195         xdot = ular;
196         Je0 = H2Arm.jacob0(qcurr);
197         qdot2 = pinv(Je0(1:3,:))* xdot(1:3); %only linear Jacobian
198         qdot = pinv(Je0)*[xdot; 0; 0; 0];
199
```
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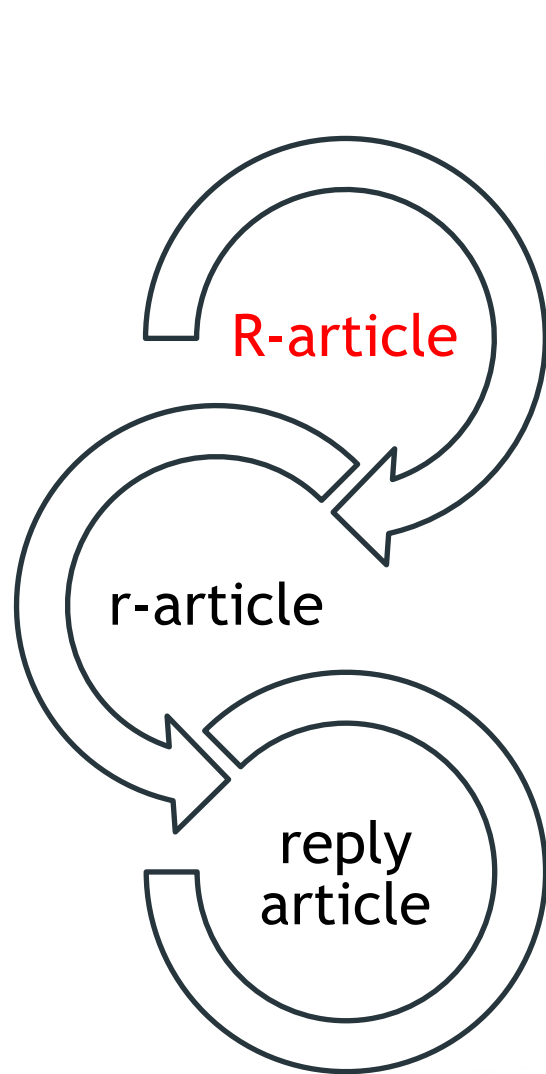
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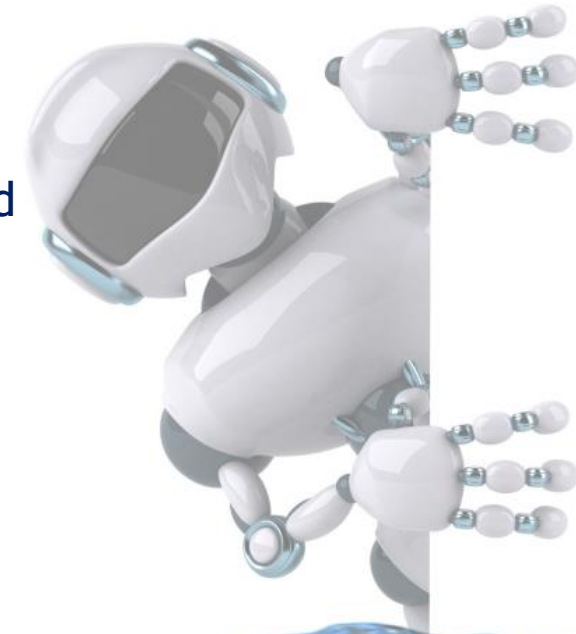
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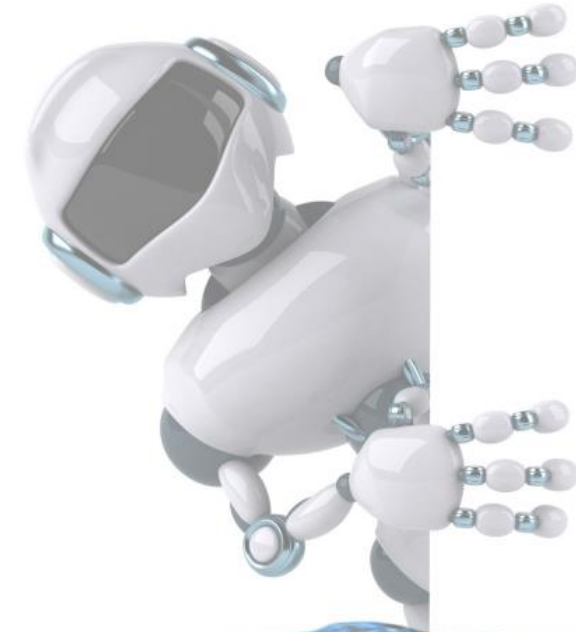
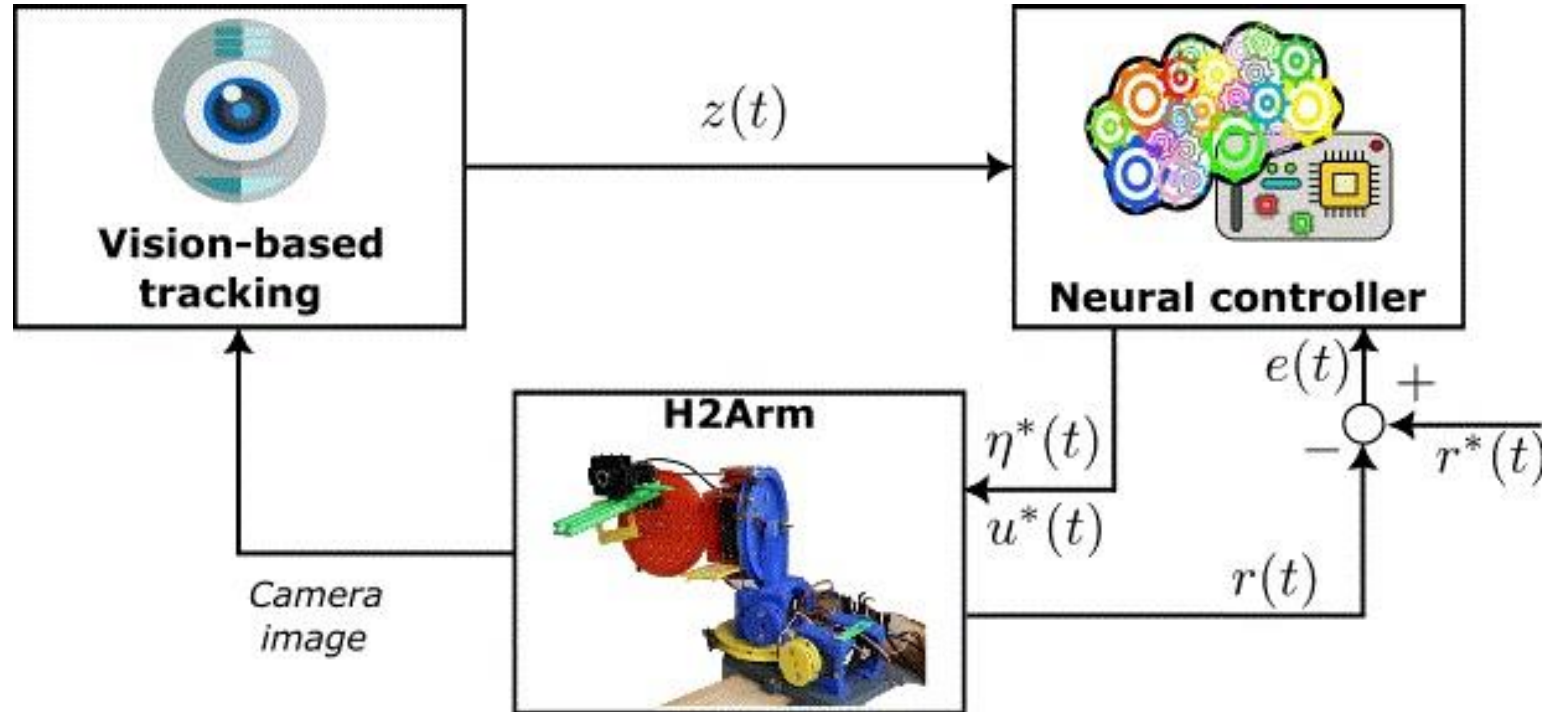
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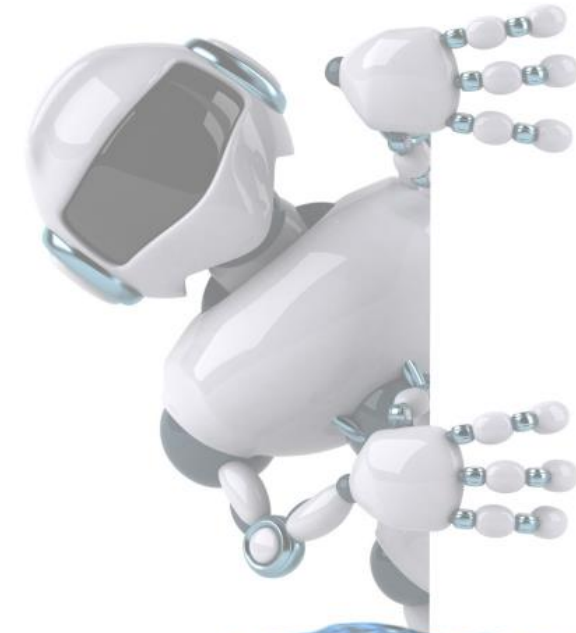
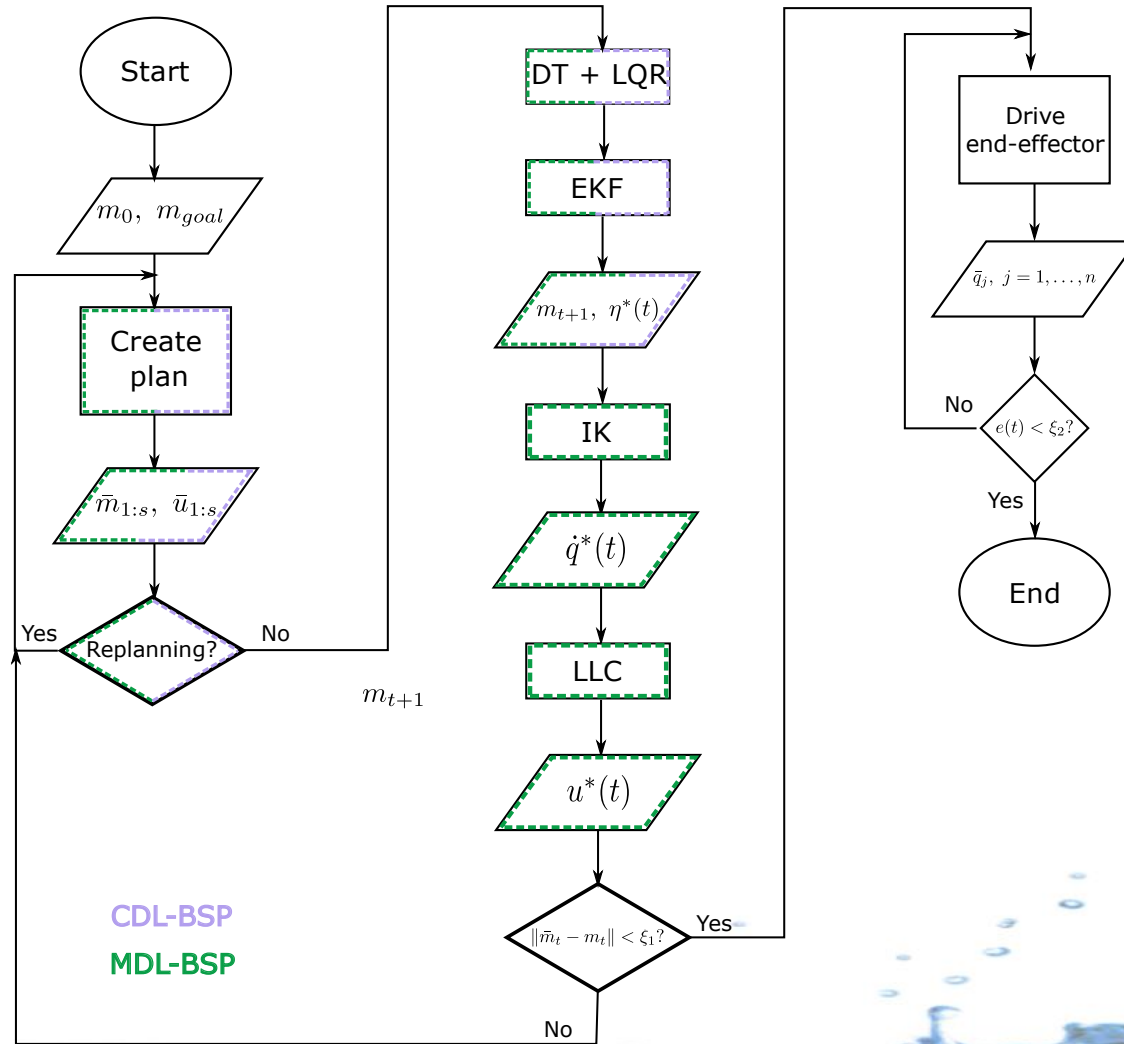
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## Use of ML

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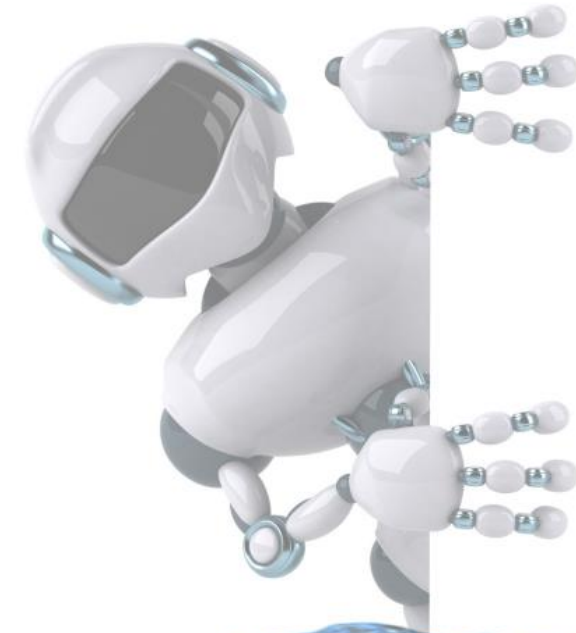
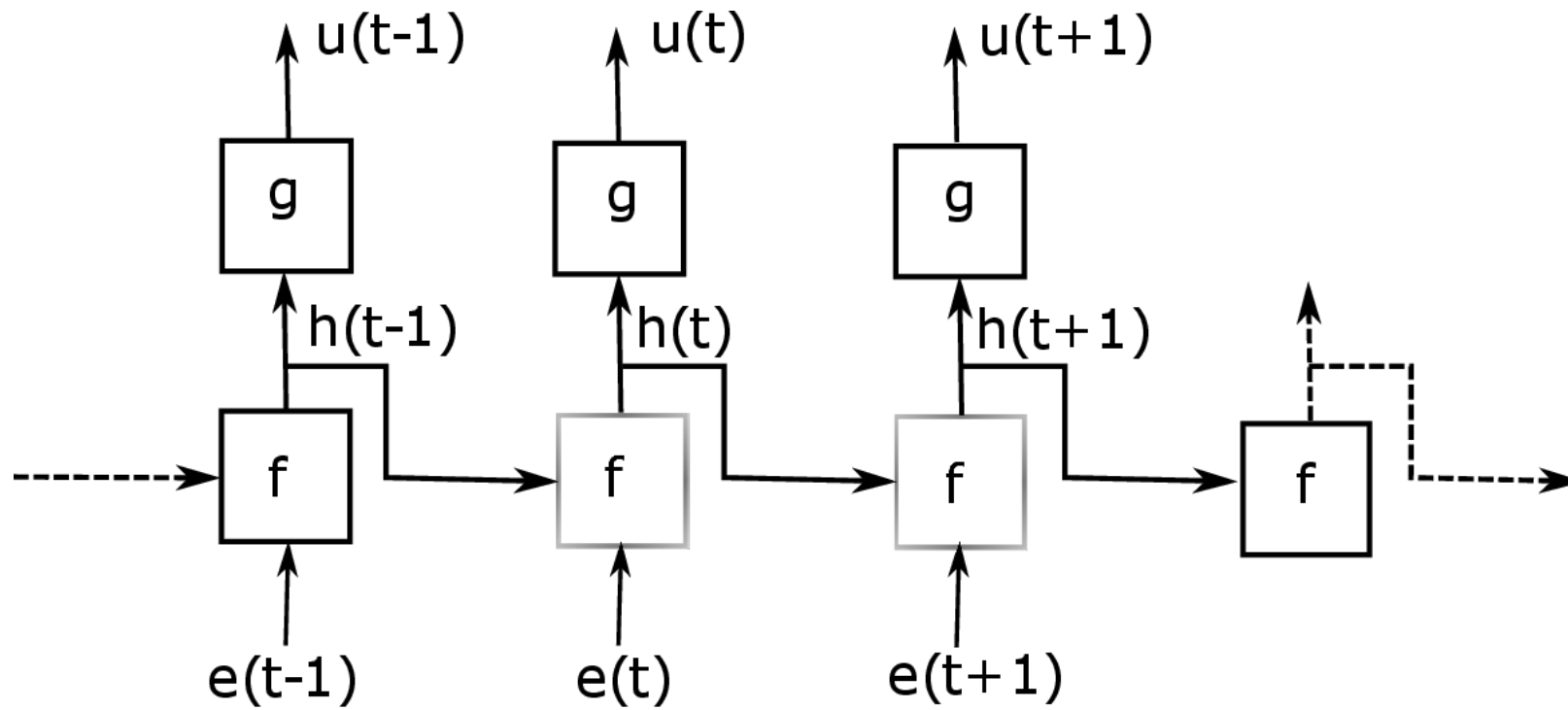


# Motor (MDL) vs Cartesian (CDL) schemes





# RNN structure



# Results at a glance

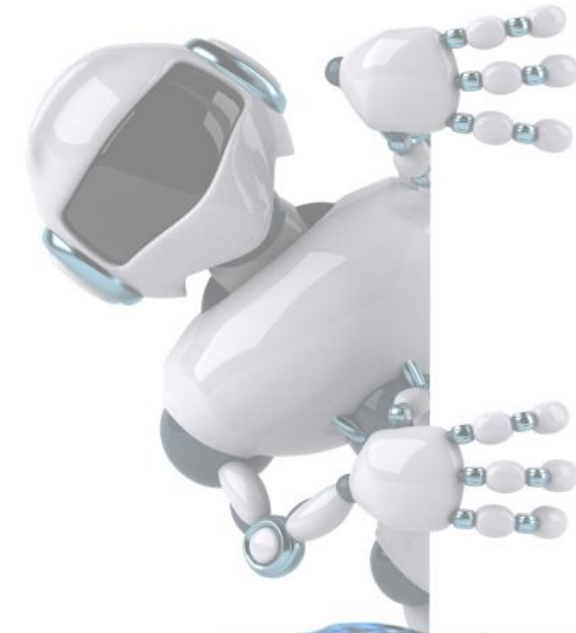
## Test trajectories

Neural Controller	Noise	Average steps	Average time [s]
<i>CDL</i>	No	18.25	6.98
<i>MDL</i>		19.45	7.53
<i>CDL</i>	Yes	37.1	14.66
<i>MDL</i>		31.7	12.33

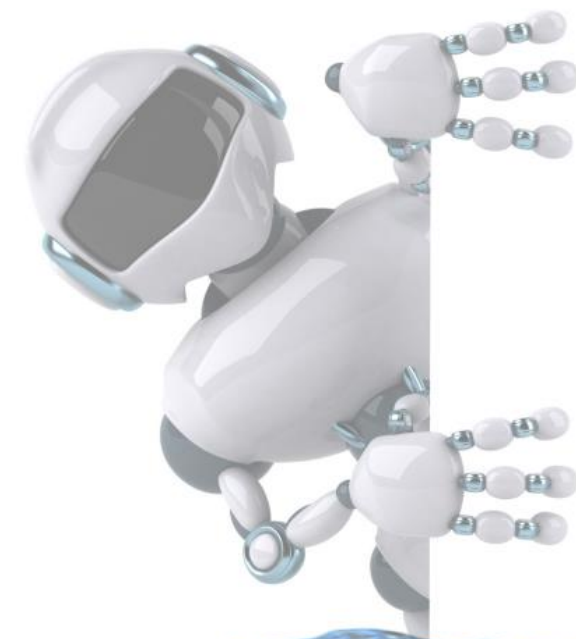
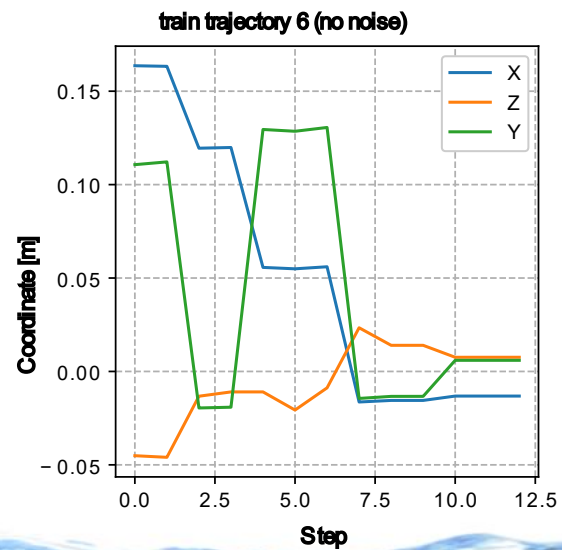
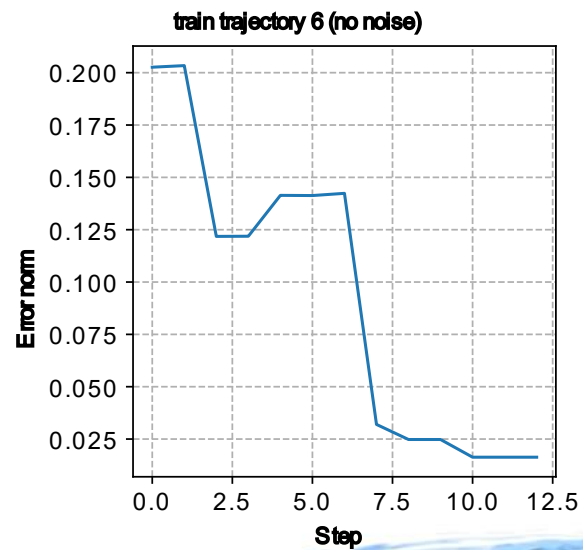
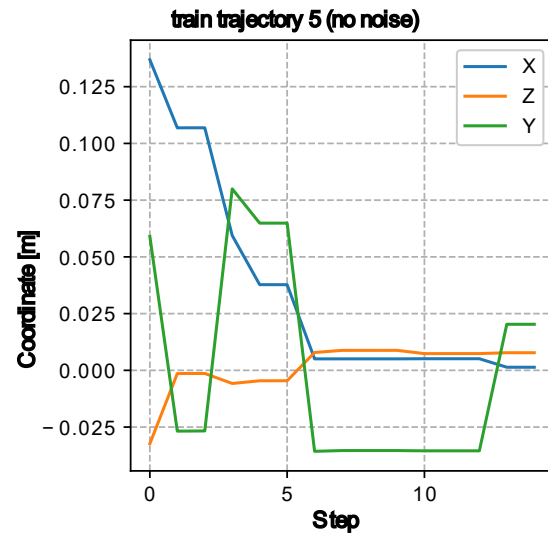
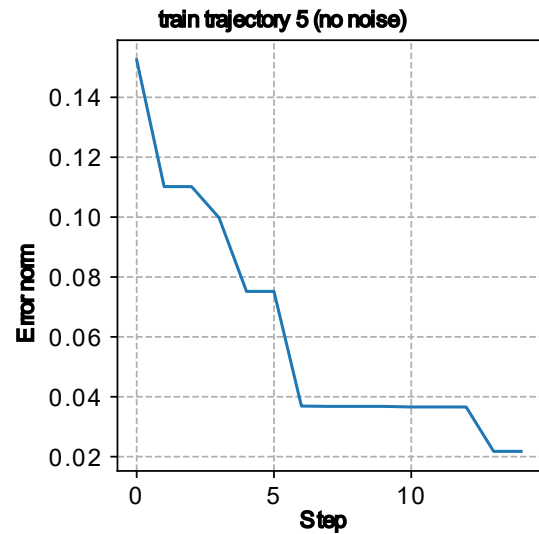
## Training trajectories

Neural Controller	Noise	Average steps	Average time [s]
<i>CDL</i>	No	15.74	73.83
<i>MDL</i>			
<i>CDL</i>	Yes	13.91	91.08
<i>MDL</i>			

Almost 10 times faster!

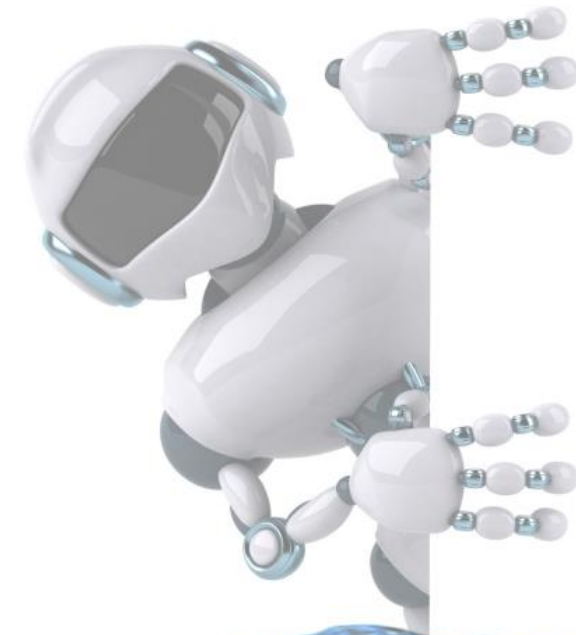
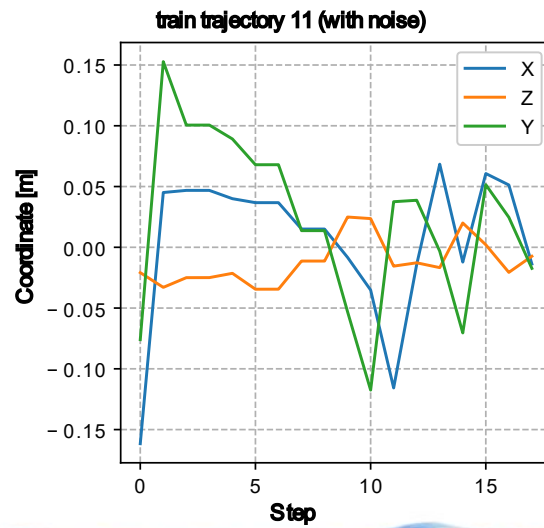
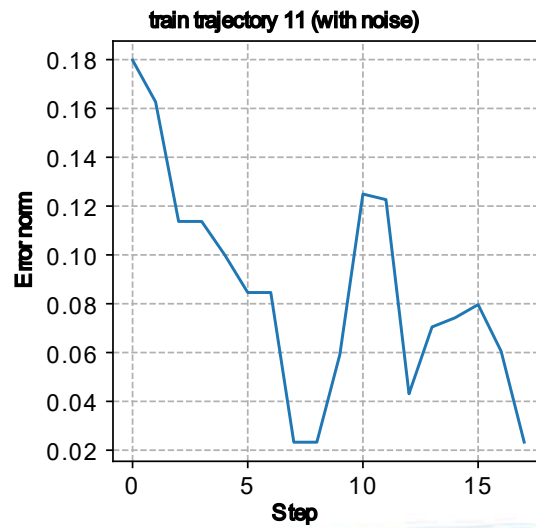
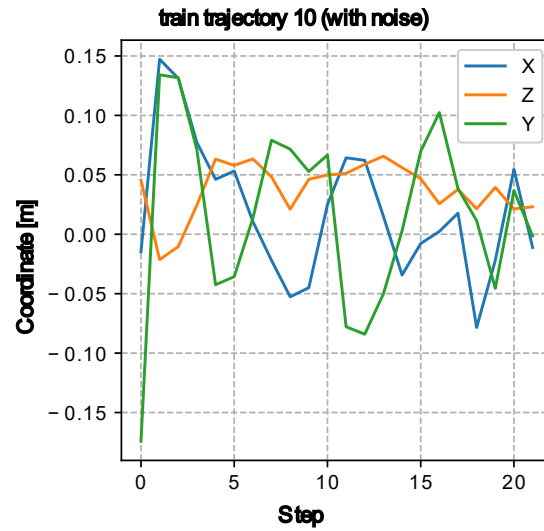
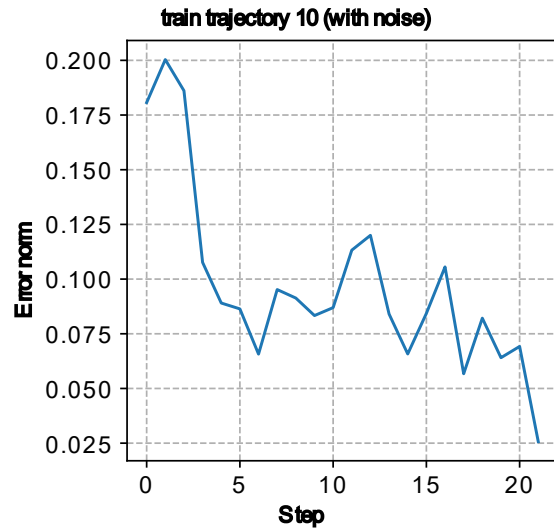


# Train trajectories without noise

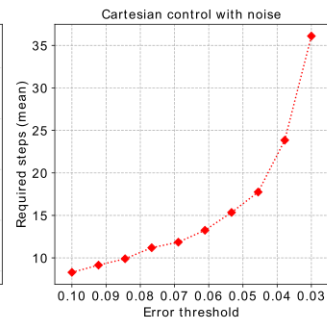
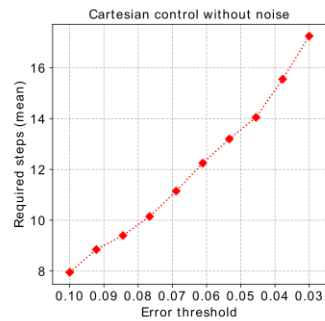
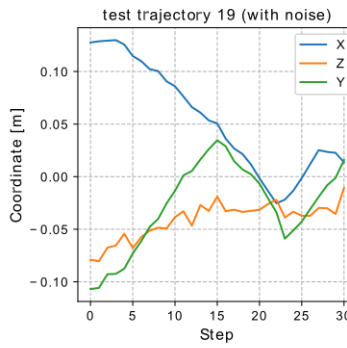
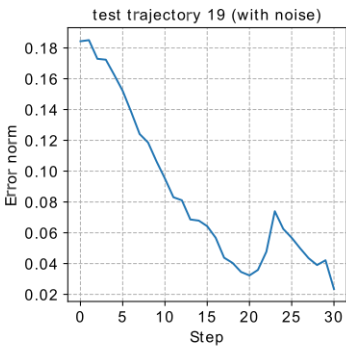
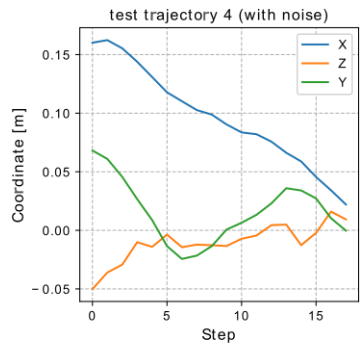
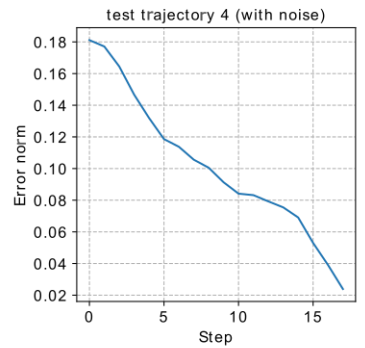
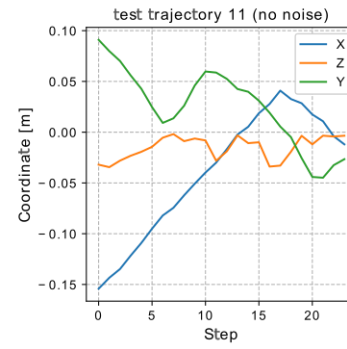
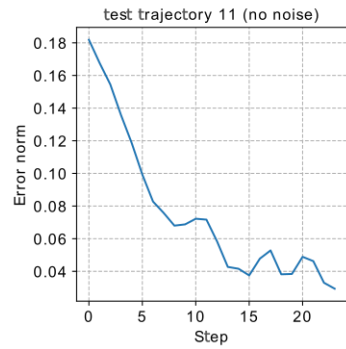
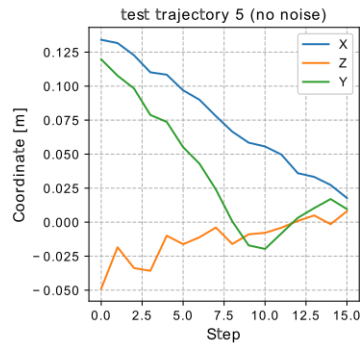
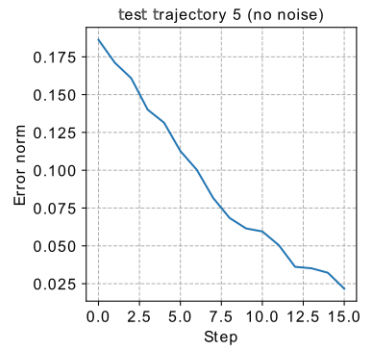




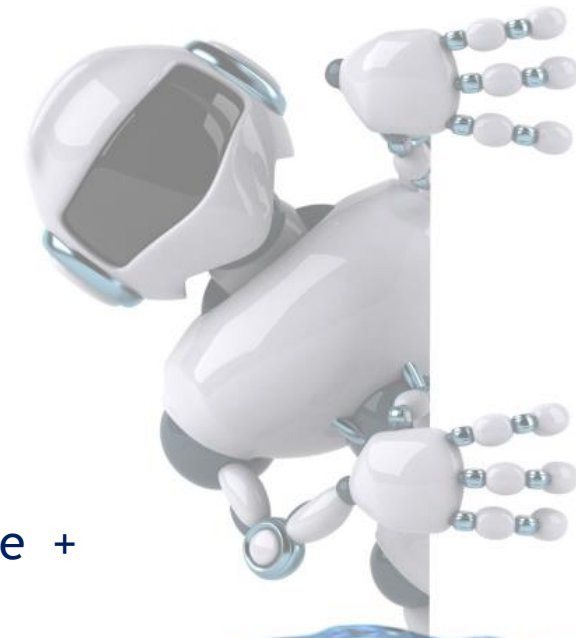
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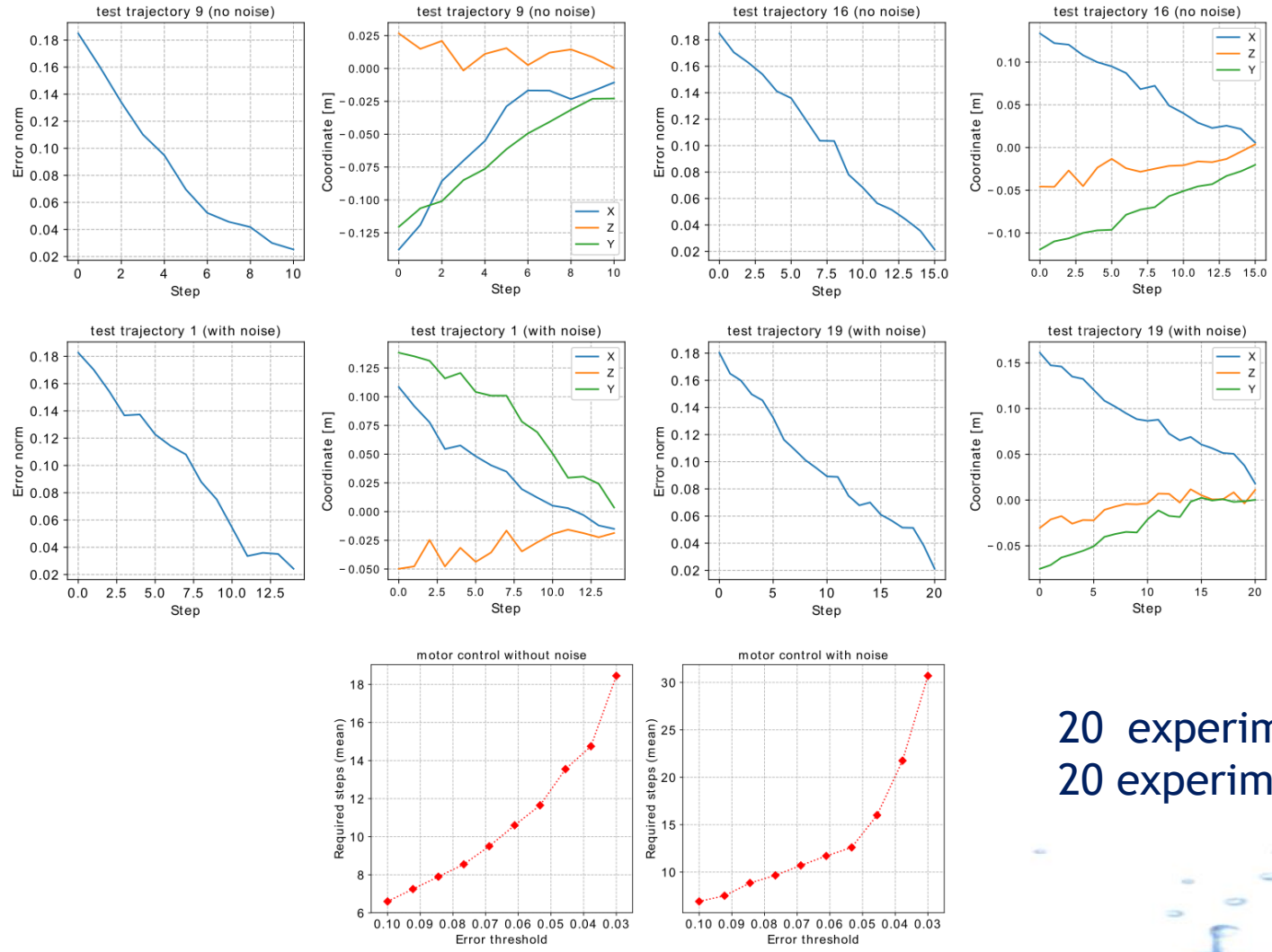
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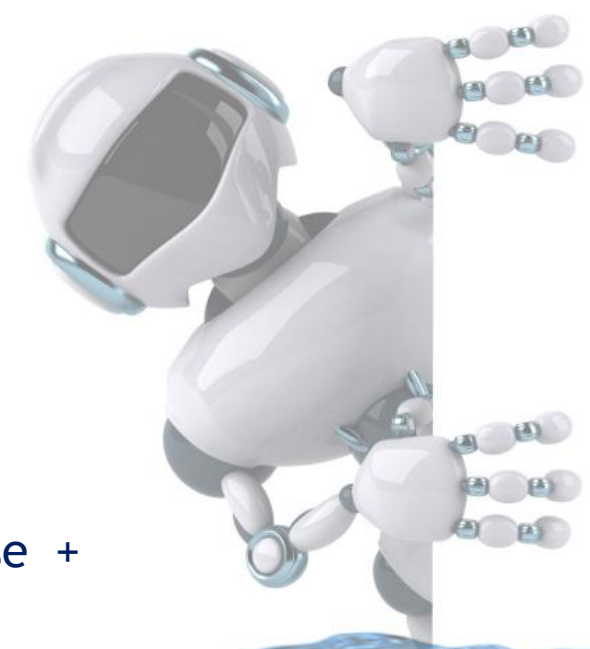
20 experiments without noise +  
20 experiments with noise



# MDL trajectories



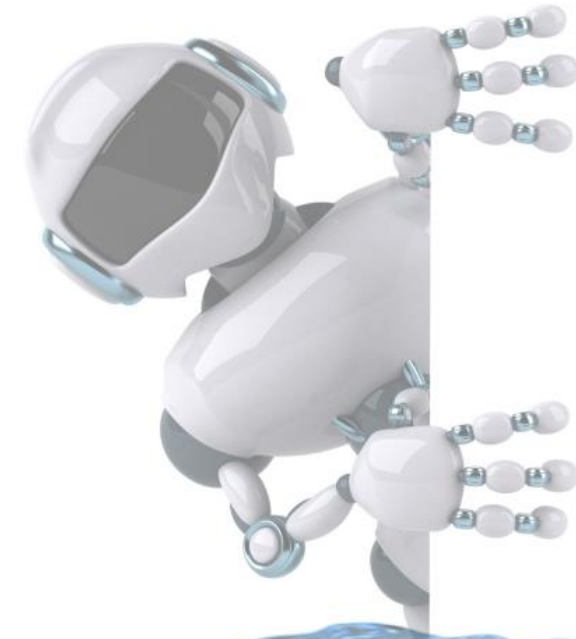
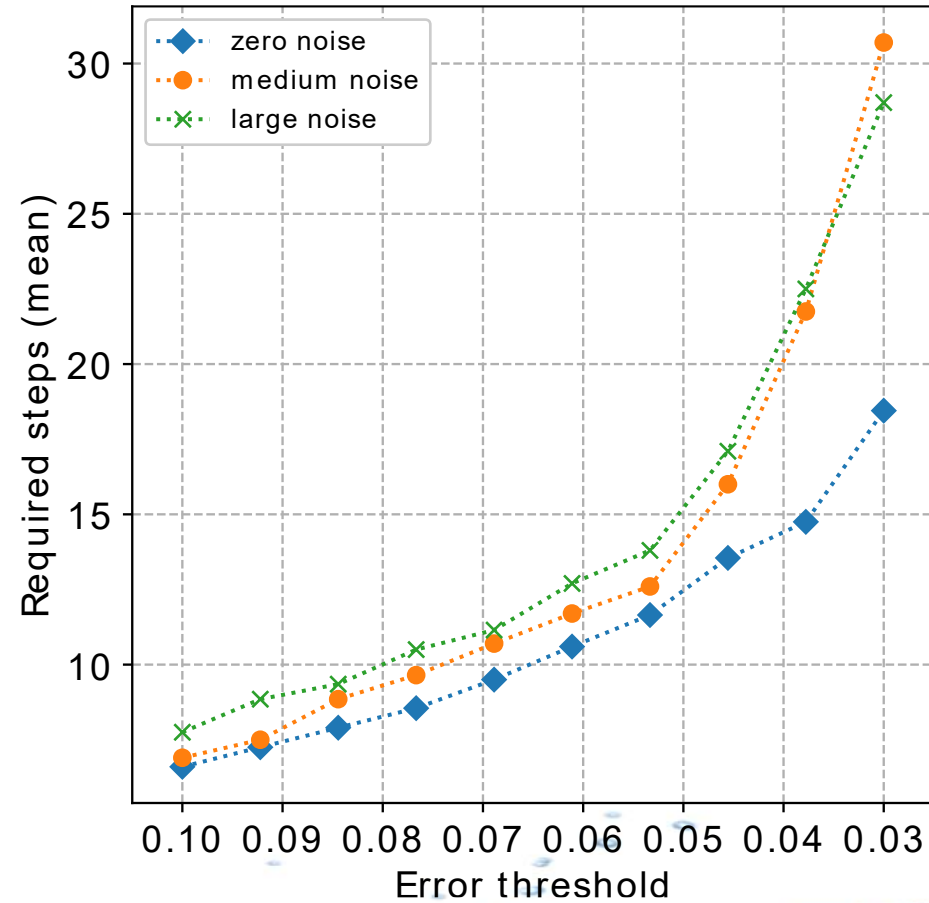
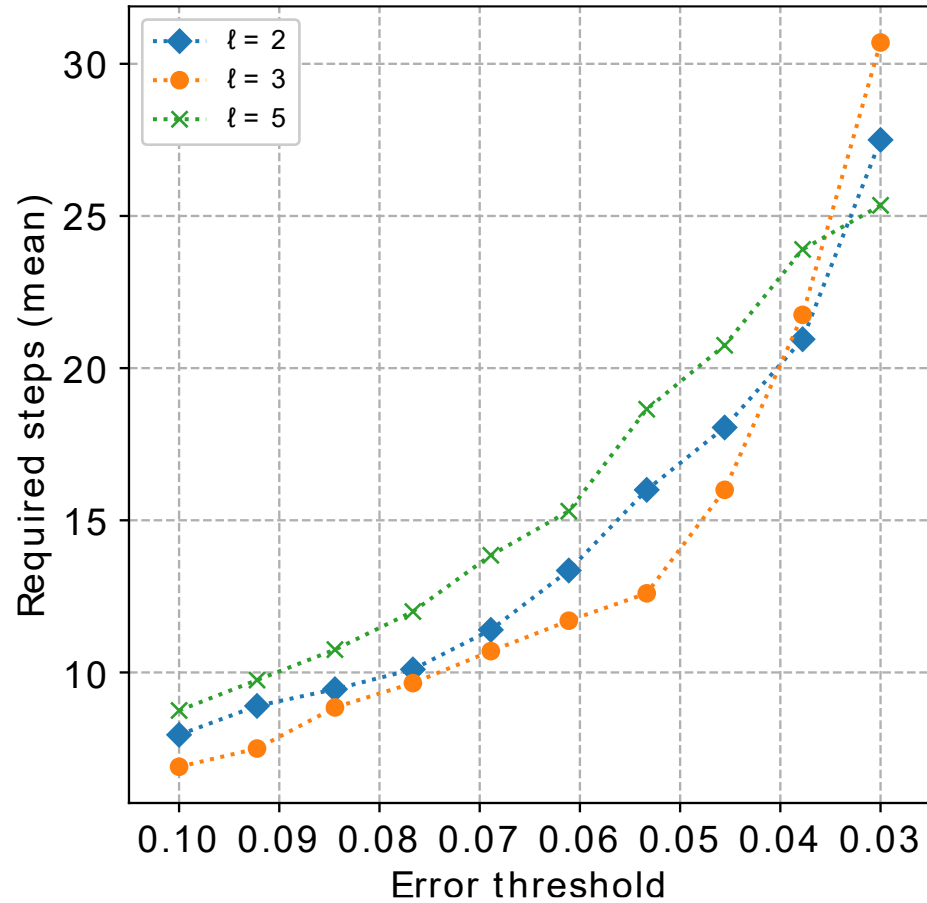
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# Results in more details

20 experiments without noise +  
20 experiments with noise for  
both CDL and MDL



Thank you!  
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And now... **DEMO!**

