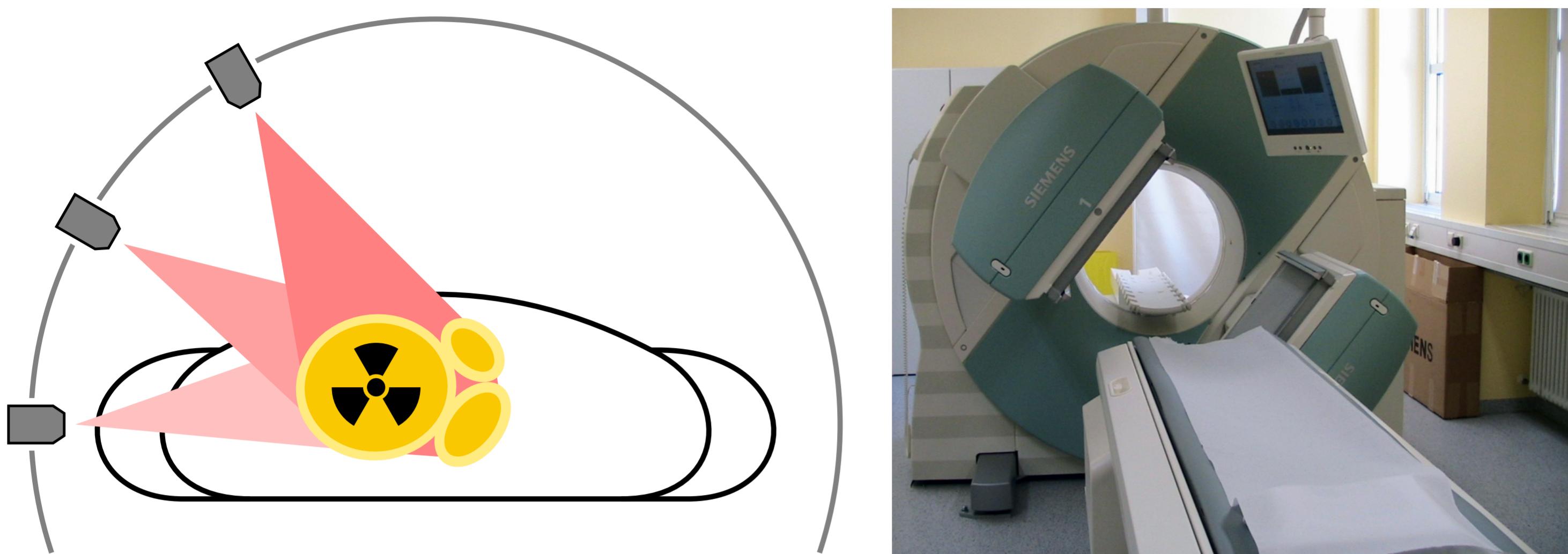


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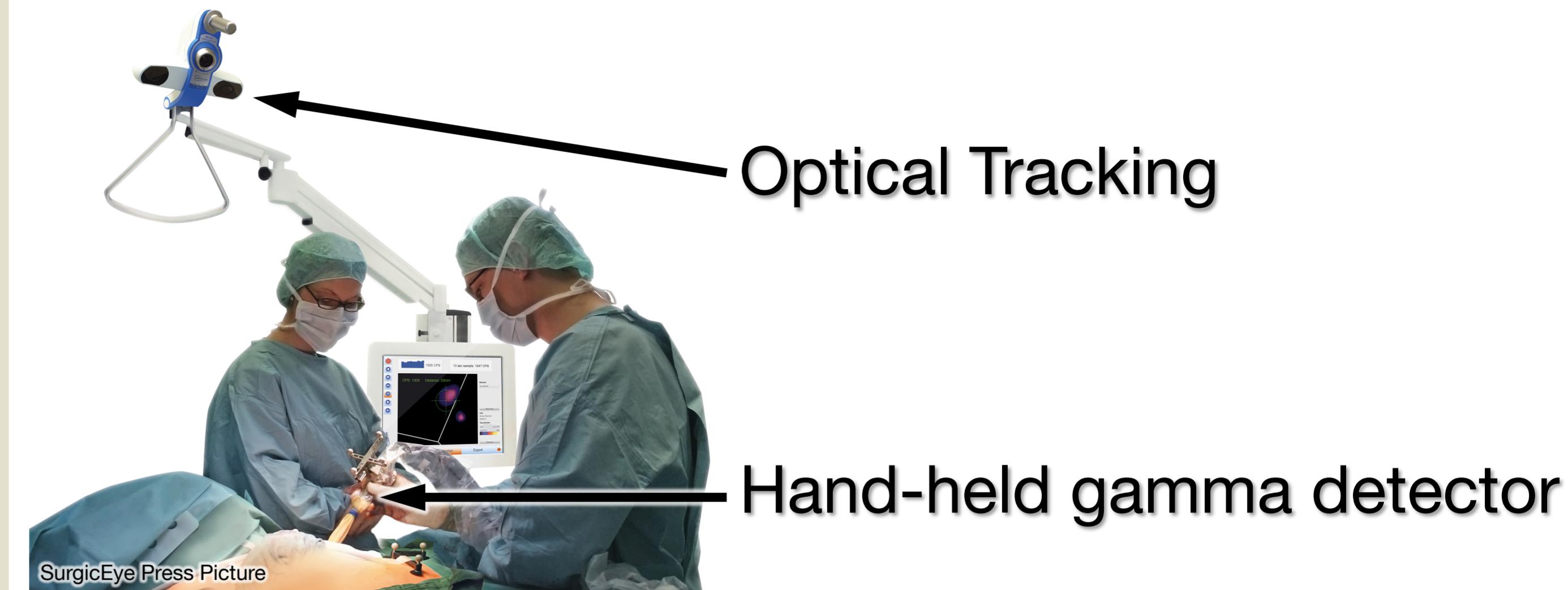
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SPECT (Radio-tracer marks cancer tissue)



- Completeness for reconstruction by design
- Bulky device, long duration of measurement

Freehand SPECT



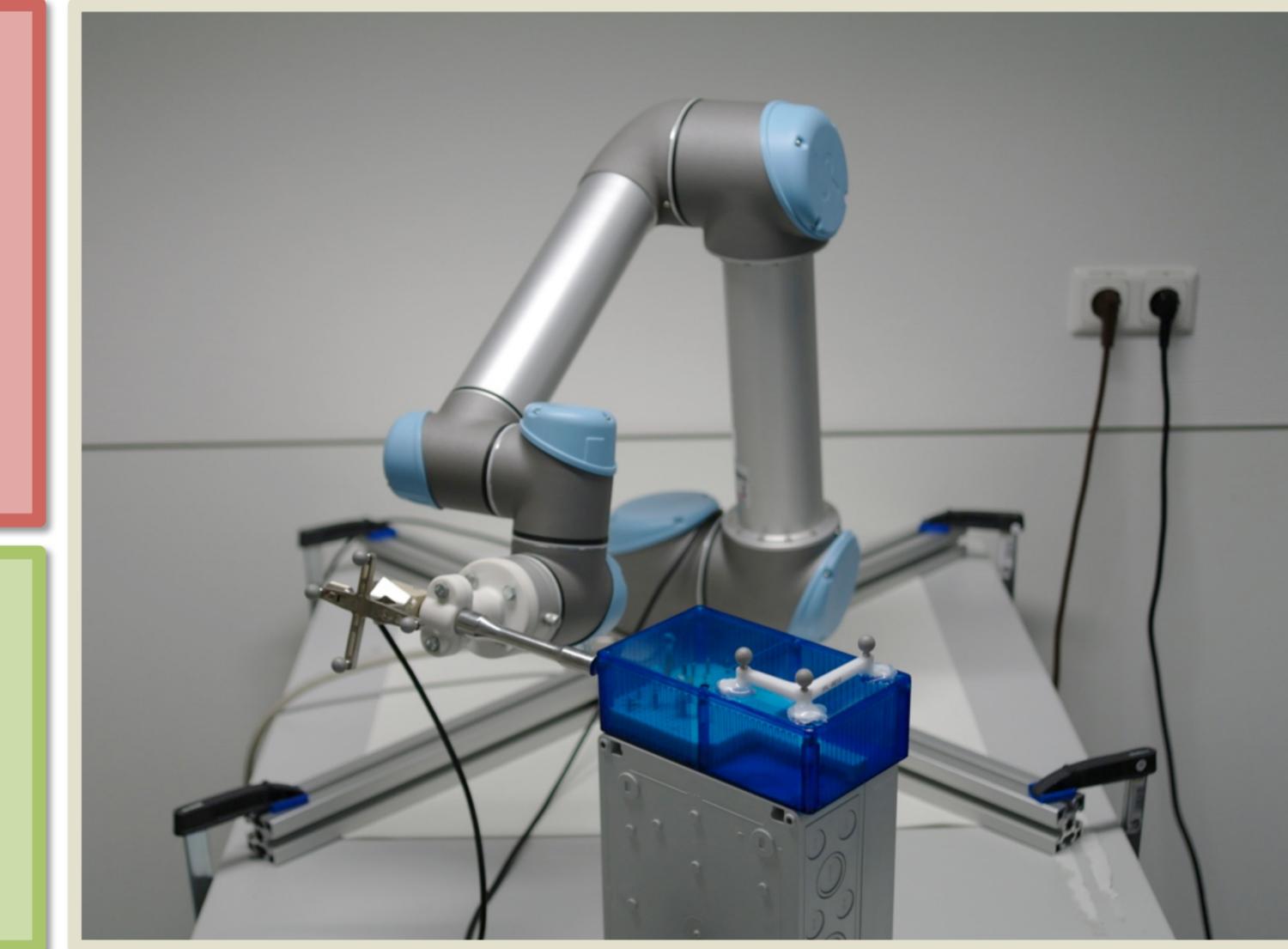
- Quality depends on operator's experience
- Intra-operative use**, fast localized imaging

Problem Statement

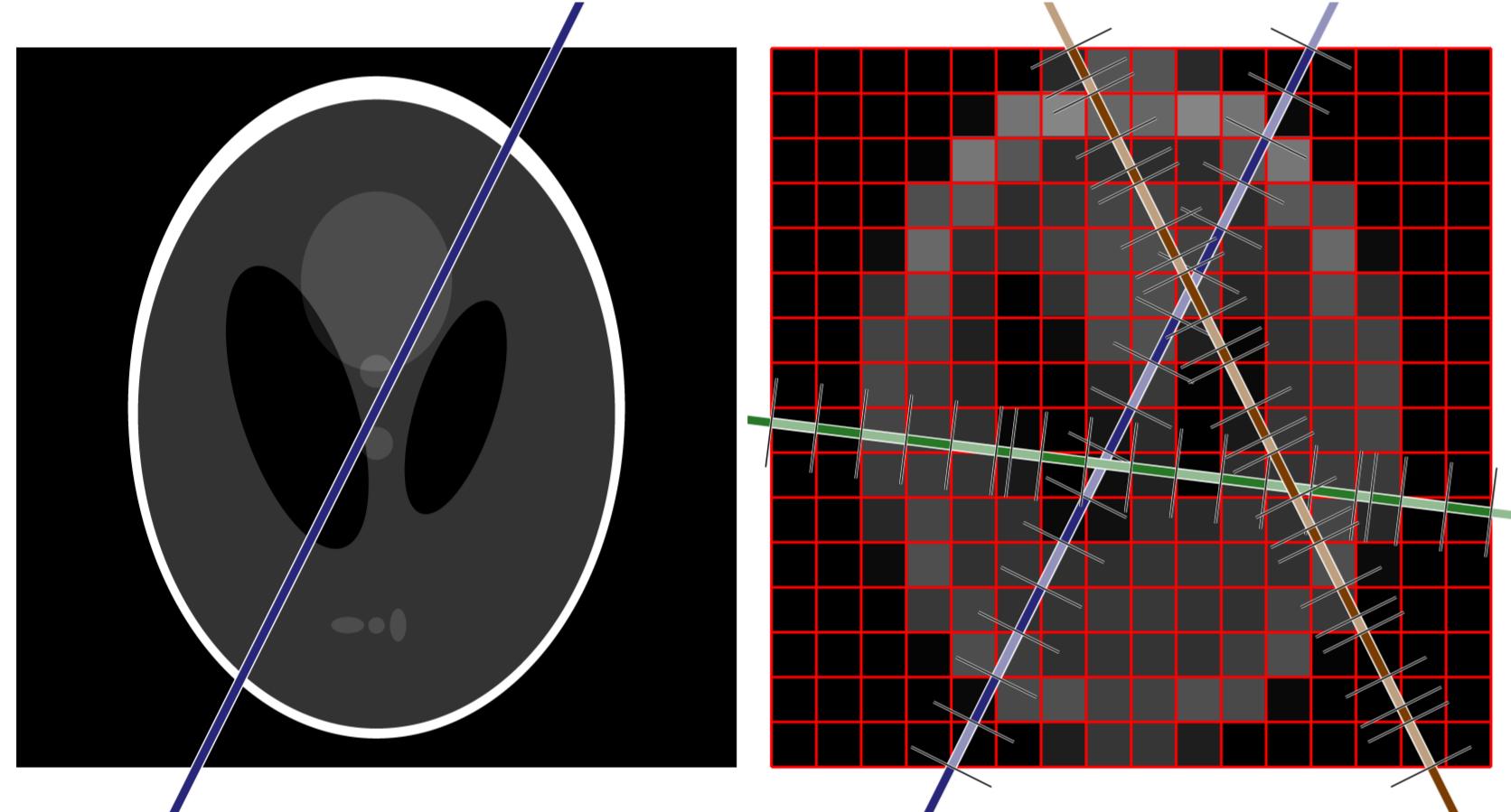
- Characterize trajectories leading to good tomographic reconstructions
- Guide a robot along such a path in real-time

Contributions

- Use numerical condition of linear reconstruction system



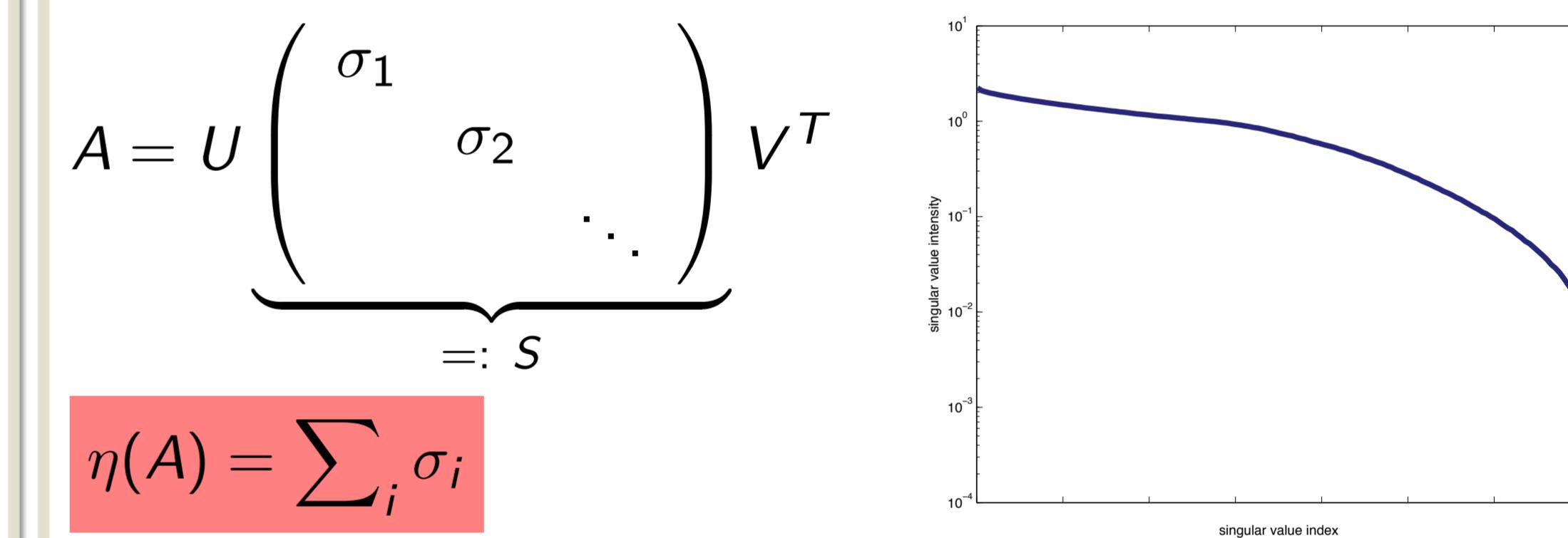
Algebraic Reconstruction



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_j : (\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad m_j &= \langle \mathbf{a}_j^T, \mathbf{x} \rangle \\ m_j &= \int_{L_j} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \\ &= \mathcal{M}_j(f) \\ &\approx \mathcal{M}_j(\sum_i x_i \cdot b_i) \\ &= \sum_i x_i \cdot \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_j(b_i)}_{=: a_{ji}} \end{aligned}$$

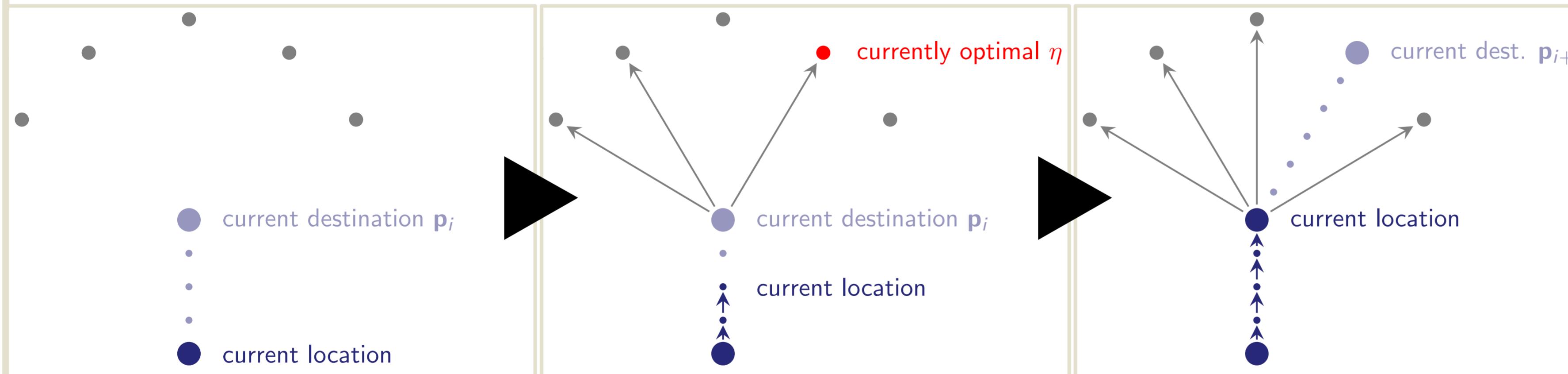
$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

Singular Value Spectrum



- Slow to compute, incremental scheme

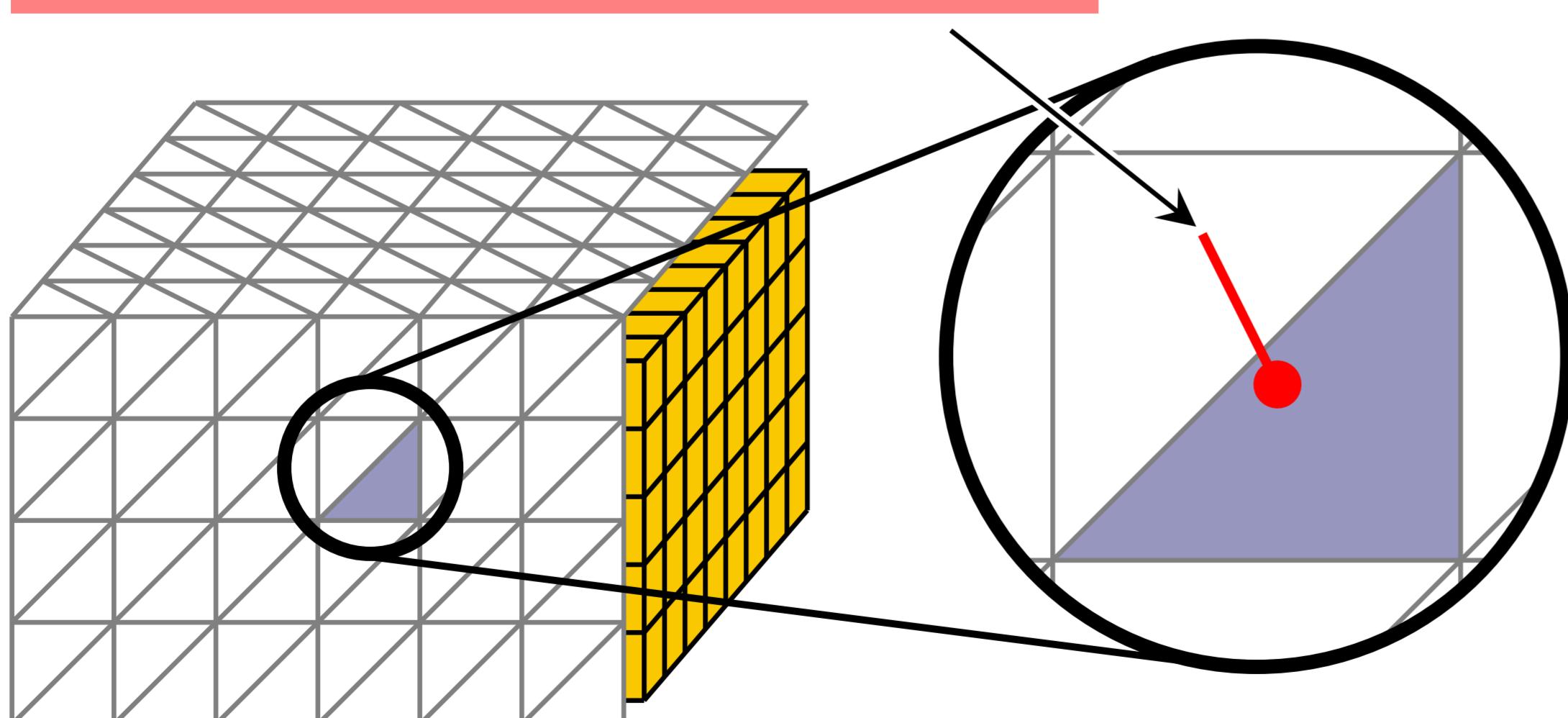
Trajectory Planning



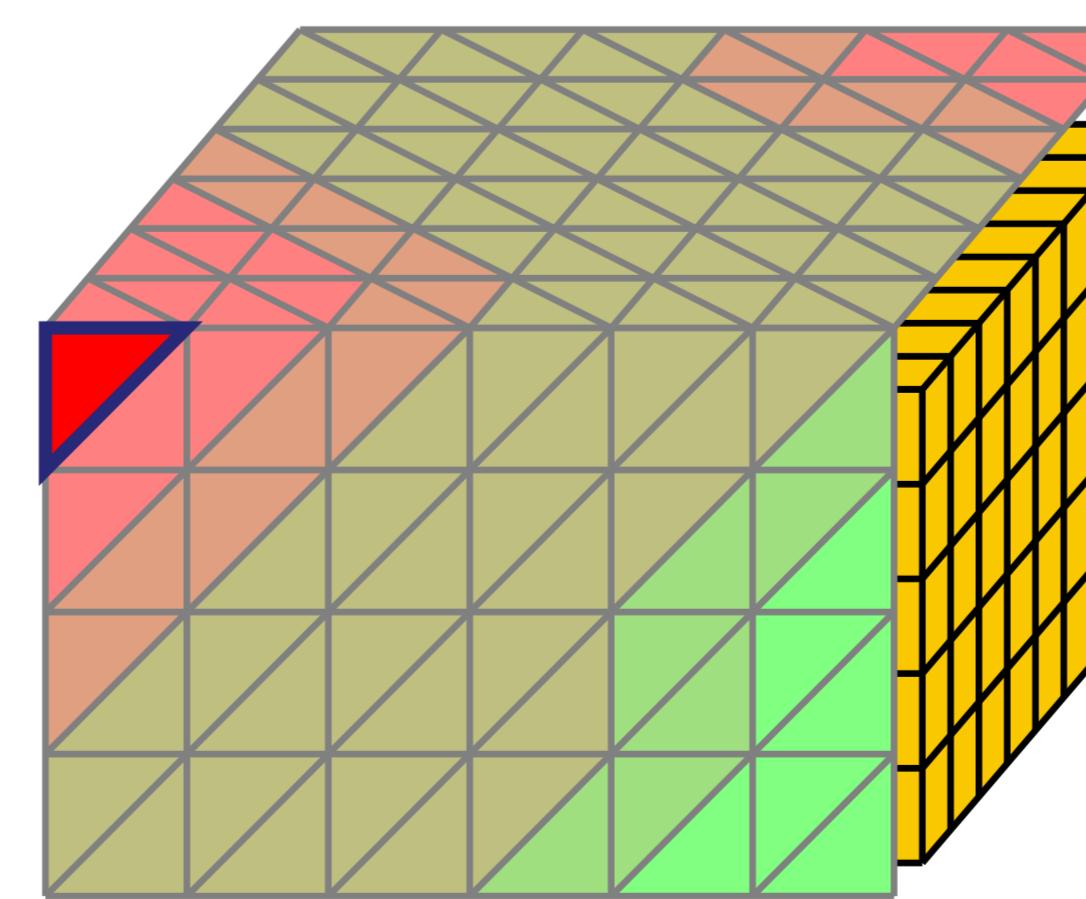
- Take matrix A_i at current destination p_i , and extend it optimally

- Random candidate for every triangle

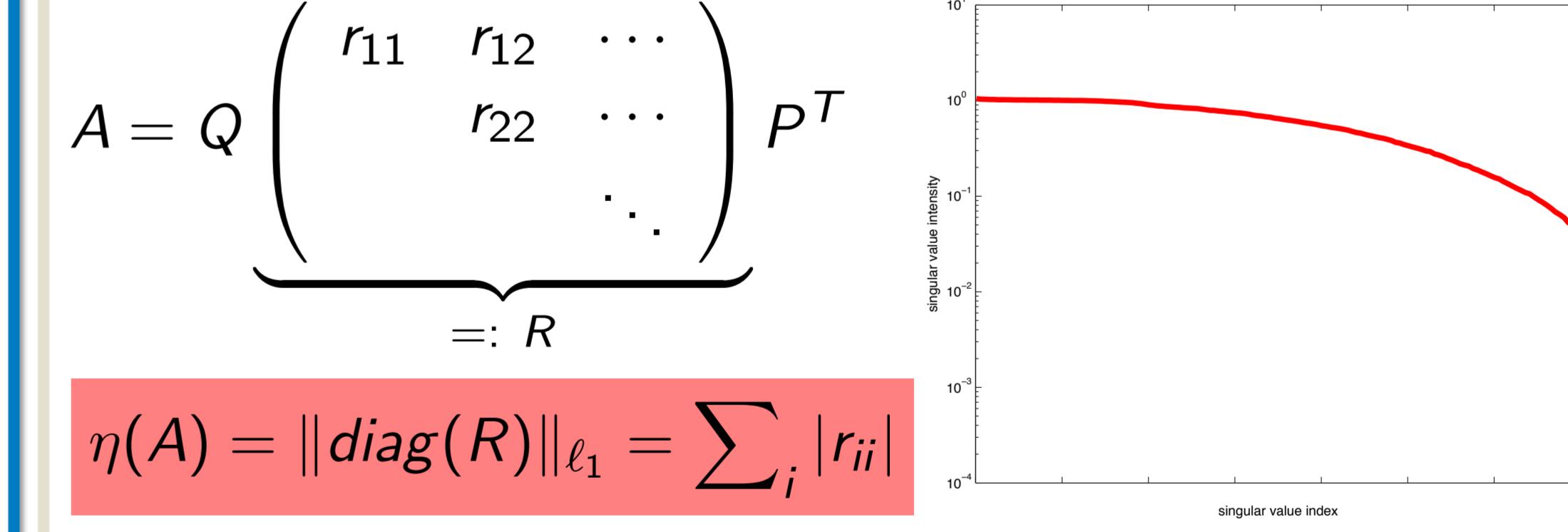
random pose, evaluate $\eta \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_i & \\ \hline & \mathbf{a}_* \end{array} \right)$



- Yields "need for measurement" for entire surface

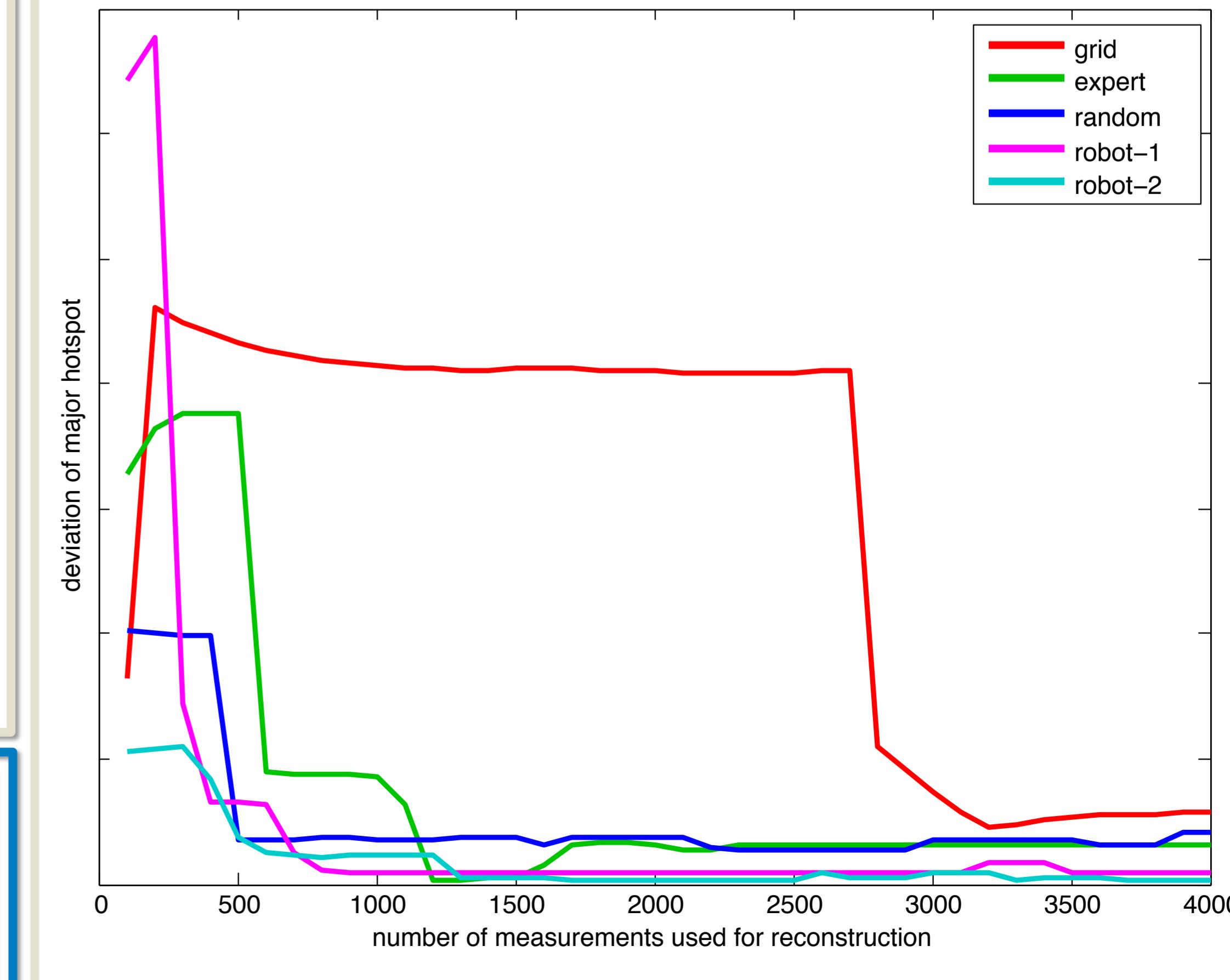


Pivoted QR



- Very fast to compute

Results



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- Improved convergence**
- Works in real-time on laptop using CPU threads and LAPACK (Intel i7, 2.3 GHz)