

# POINT CLOUD MANAGEMENT AND STORAGE

(PONTFELHŐK KEZELÉSE ÉS TÁROLÁSA)

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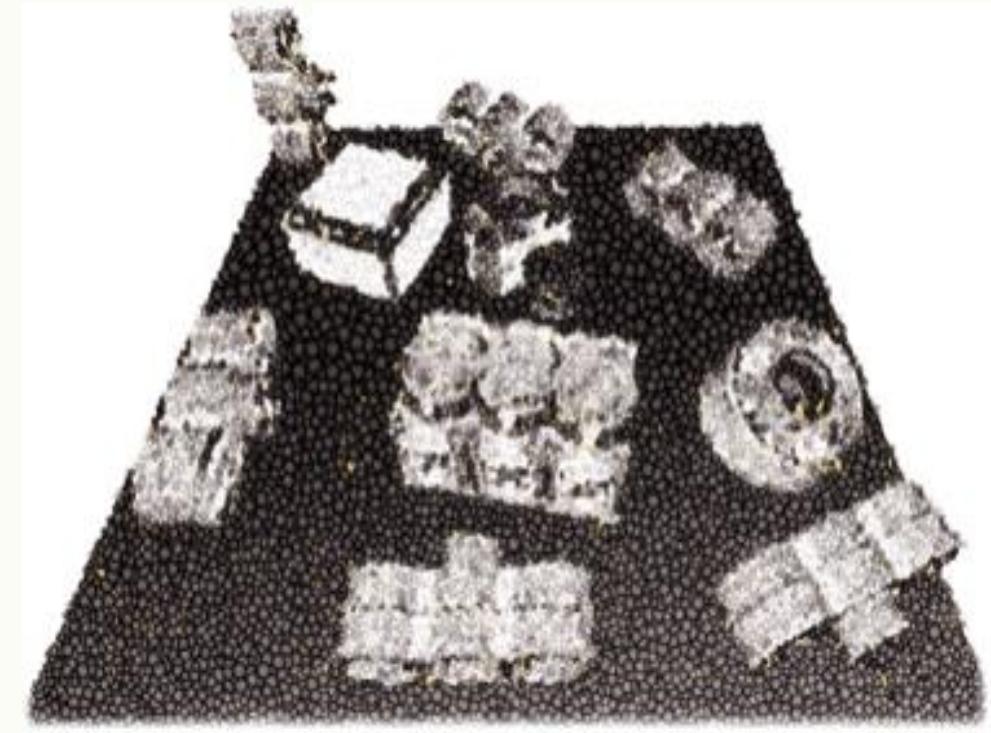


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# Motivation

- Modern 3D LiDAR scanners → point cloud applications
- E.g.:
  - in the context of self-driving cars, localization
  - stitching together successive scan data to produce a map,
  - pedestrian detection or detection of other non-local objects,
  - for autonomous robots, finding an object in a bin

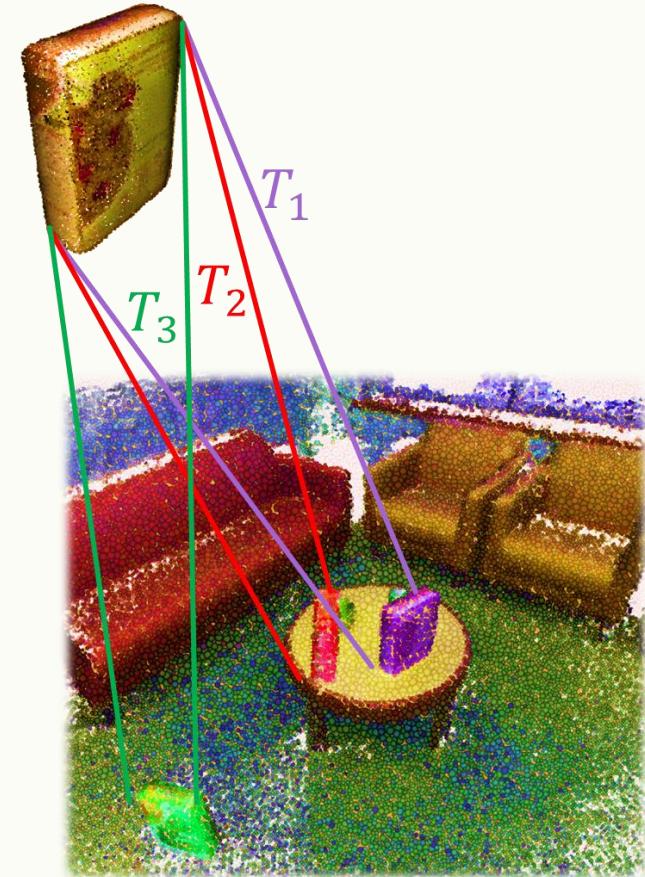


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# Point cloud registration

- Feature-based registration algorithm  
→ initial transformation
- Steps:
  1. Keypoints (e.g. corner or edge points) detection
  2. Feature descriptor computation
  3. Correspondence estimation, filtering
  4. Transformation estimation
- Special case: point cloud-based pattern matching

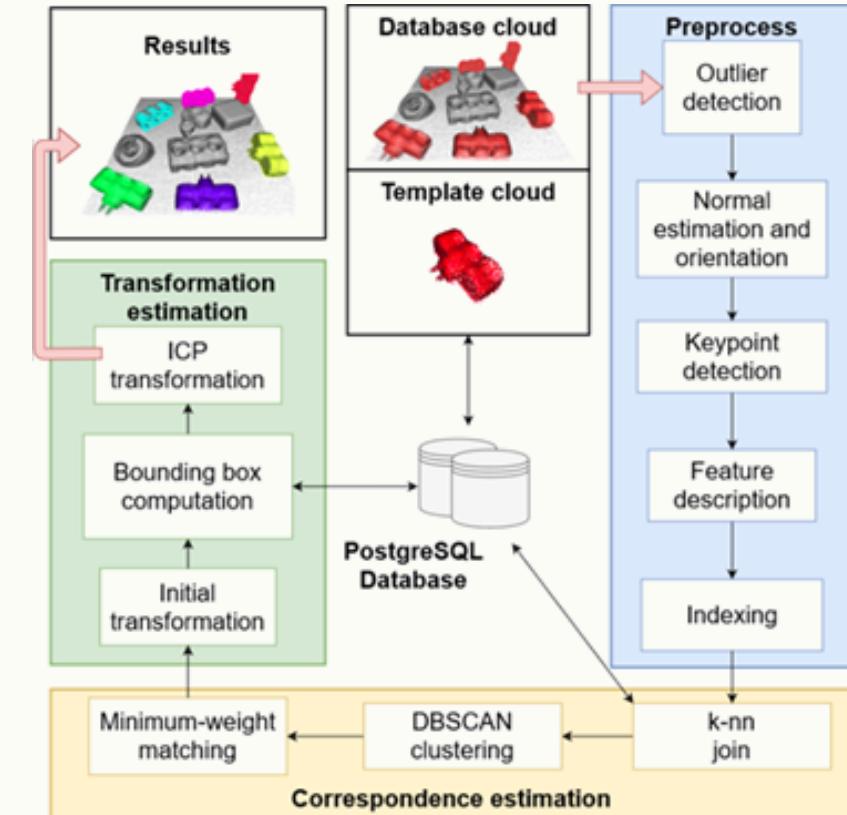


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# Pattern matching in large-scale LiDAR point clouds

- Large-scale point clouds (e.g. Oxford RobotCar dataset)
- Last year result was a publication on this method:
  - Dániel Varga, János Márk Szalai-Gindl, Bence Formanek, Péter Vaderna, László Dobos, Sándor Laki, Template matching for 3D objects in large point clouds using DBMS, **IEEE Access** journal (Q1), pp. 1–14, 2021, doi: [10.1109/ACCESS.2021.3082848](https://doi.org/10.1109/ACCESS.2021.3082848)

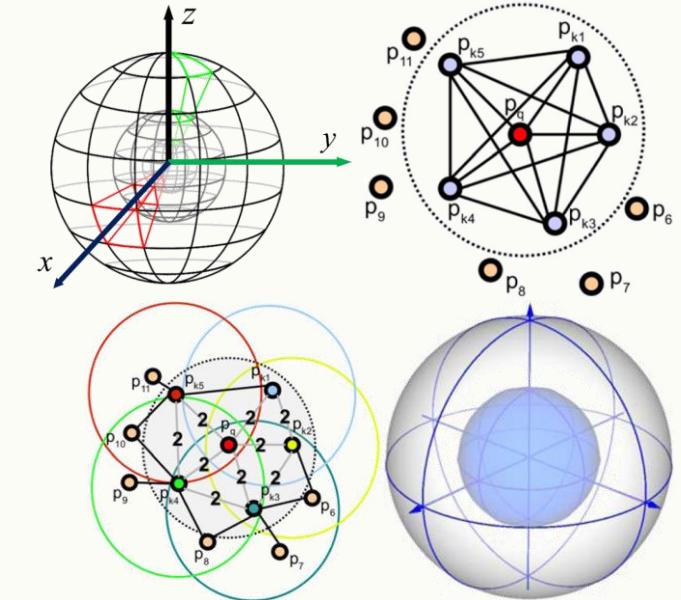


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# Feature descriptors

- Multidimensional feature descriptors
- Search for nearby neighbours
- Intrinsic dimensionality, dimension reduction technique
- Binarization methods
  - Hamming distance
  - Smaller memory footprint and storage space requirement



Guo, Y., Bennamoun, M., Sohel, F., Lu, M., Wan, J., & Kwok, N. M. (2016). A comprehensive performance evaluation of 3D local feature descriptors. International Journal of Computer Vision, 116(1), 66-89. page 69: Figure 1

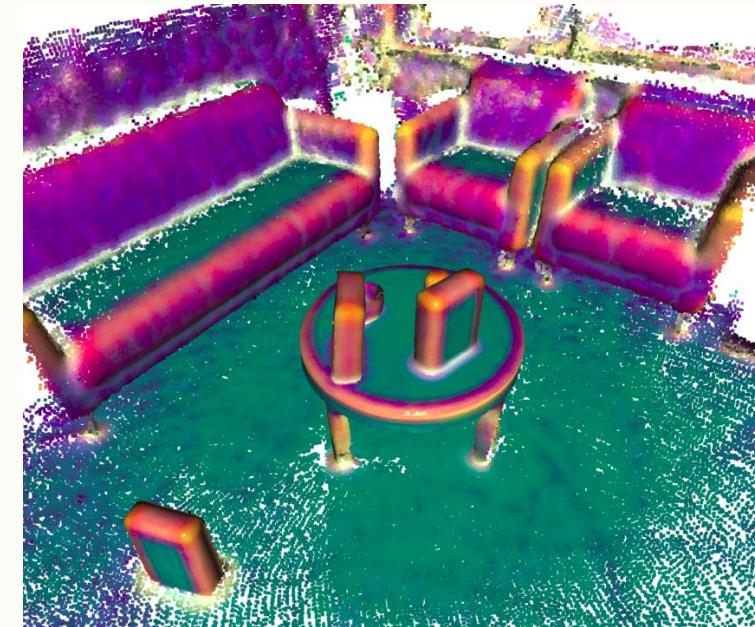


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# Feature descriptors

- Application of PCA to feature descriptors
- Dániel Varga, János Márk Szalai-Gindl, Sándor Laki, The descriptiveness of feature descriptors with reduced dimensionality, in European Conference on Advances in Databases and Information Systems. Springer, 2021, pp. 317–322.



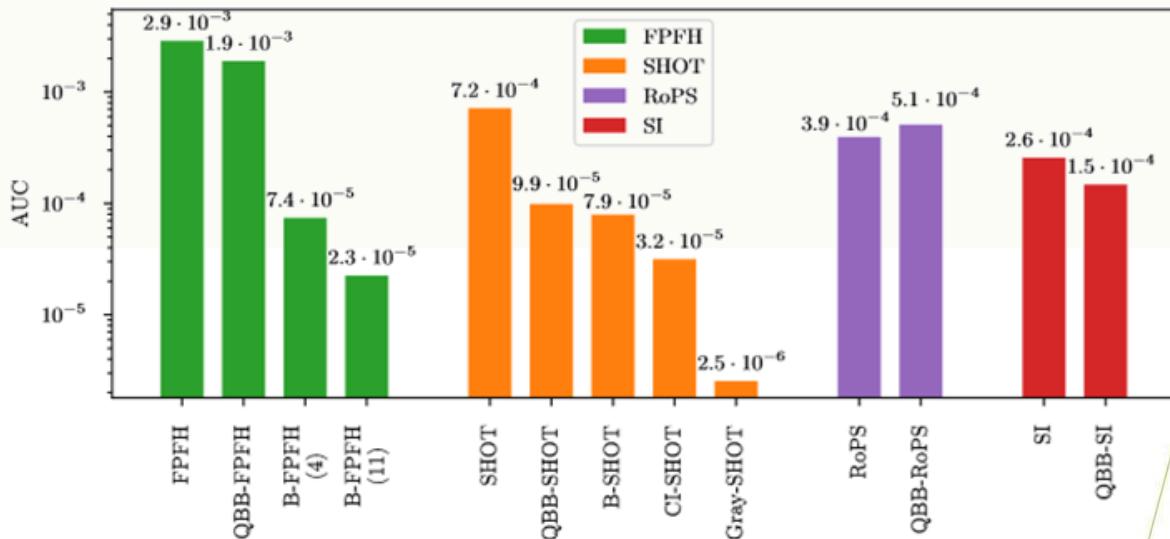
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# Feature descriptors

Feature  
descriptor

- New binarization method:
- **János Márk Szalai-Gindl, Dániel Varga, Márton Ambrus-Dobai, Sándor Laki, QBB: Quantile-Based Binarization of 3D Point Cloud Descriptors**
  - Submitted to ACM SIGIR 2022 conference → rejected
  - Submitted to **IEEE Access (Q1) journal** → encouraging first round review results



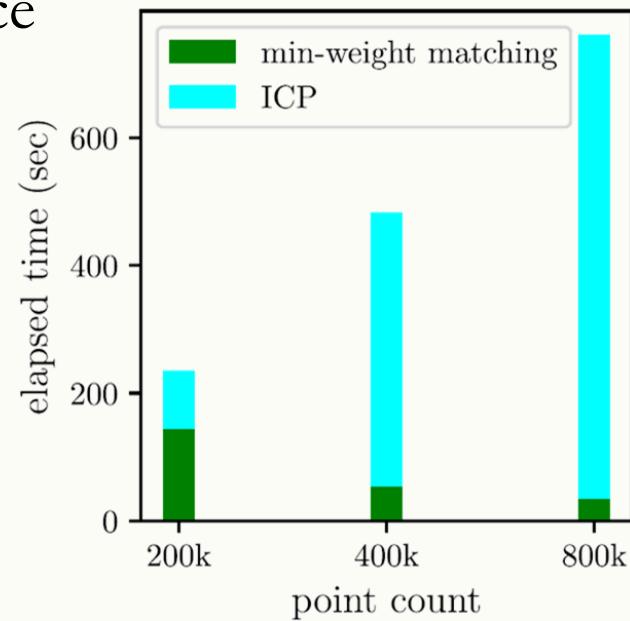
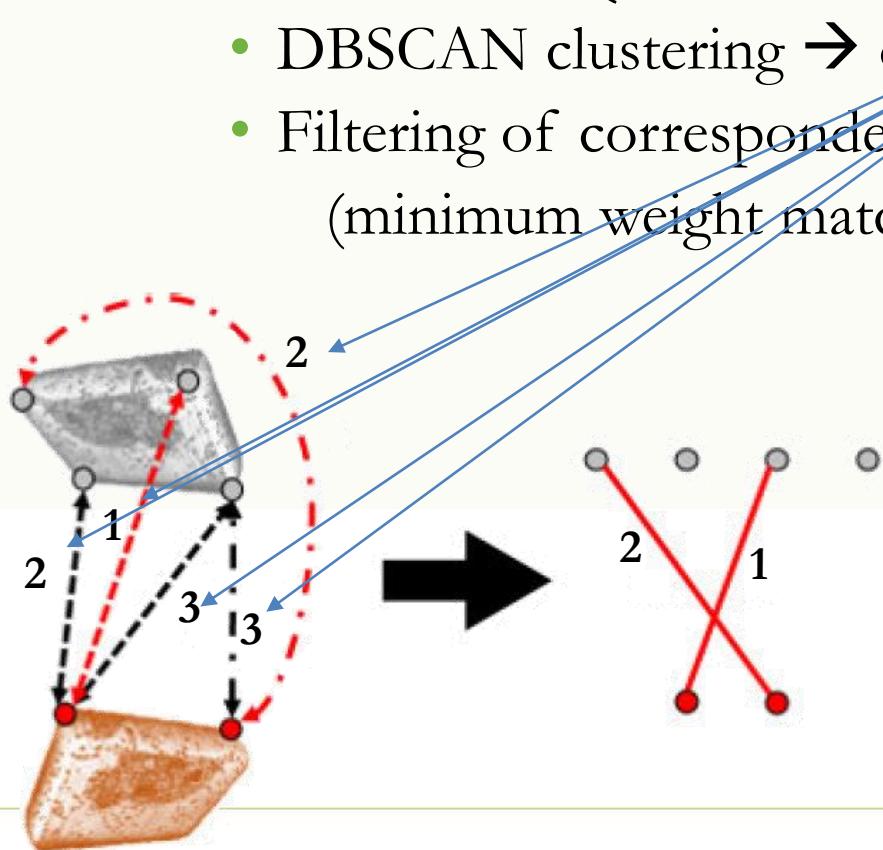
# Correspondence estimation

Minimum-weight  
matching

DBSCAN  
clustering

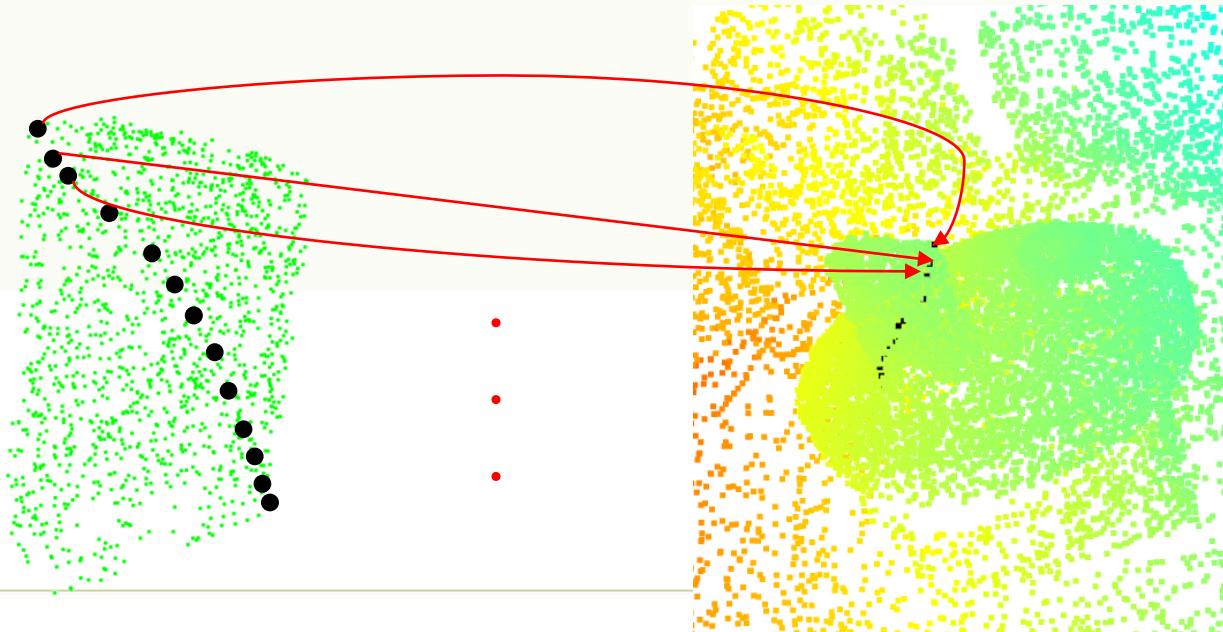
k-nn  
join

- Previous approach:
  - K-NN join between feature descriptors → correspondence candidates:  $\{(dfeat_i, sfeat_j, nn_{idx}), \dots\}$
  - DBSCAN clustering → occurrence candidates
  - Filtering of correspondence candidates (minimum weight matching)



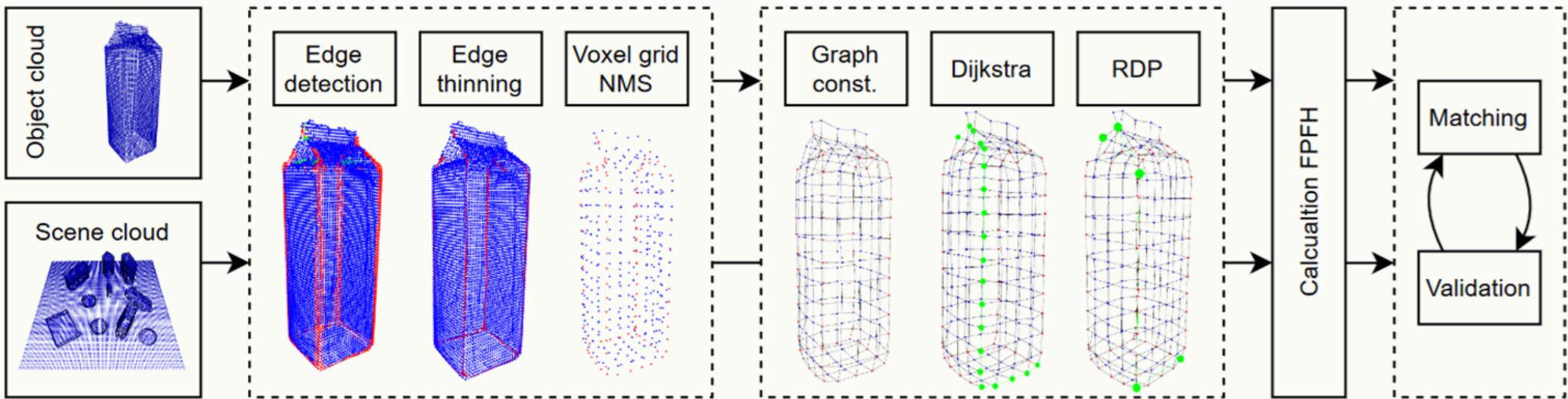
# Correspondence estimation – catenarian matching

- Instead, a 'point chain' at the object point cloud
  - Search this in the database point cloud
  - by feature descriptors and geometric constraints
- → Not only search for nearby points in the feature space, but also 3D positions of points



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# Correspondence estimation – catenarian matching



- Máté Michelisz, Dániel Varga, János Márk Szalai-Gindl, CatMat: 3D Object Recognition Using Catenarian Matching
  - Submitted to **CITDS 2022** conference
  - Accepted/presented
- TDK 2<sup>th</sup> place (→ OTDK)

# LiDAR data

- Processing and making available LiDAR data from Levente Hajder's group
- Web interface, data visualisation

The screenshot displays the ELTE lidar car dataset web interface. At the top, there are two header sections: "ELTE lidar car dataset" with links to Home, Data collection, Data processing, Data sample, Downloads, and About; and a language selection dropdown set to English (en) with an "ok" button. Below the headers, the main content area features a map of a street scene with various landmarks labeled in Hungarian. A white callout box with buttons for "Demo", "From", and "To" is overlaid on the map. To the right of the map is a "Sample data" section containing six images: "Front-left", "Forward-facing", "Front-right", "Back-left", "Back-right", and "Images". On the far right, there is a sidebar with input fields for "From\*" (500), "To\*" (999), and "Sensors" (cam0, cam1, cam2), along with an "ok" button.

ELTE lidar car dataset

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Data collection

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Map showing street names like Magyar Nobel-díjasok útja, Lágymányos, Neumann János utca, Infopark (Pázmány Péter sétány), Szinpad, Barba Negra Track, Track Terrace, Henryk Sławik rakpart, and Rákóczi sétány. A callout box with "Demo", "From", and "To" buttons is overlaid on the map.

Sample data

Lidar pointcloud Images

Front-left Forward-facing Front-right

Back-left Back-right

From\*

500

To\*

999

Sensors

cam0  
cam1  
cam2

ok

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