

C – camera
A – arm
T – tracking

Collision Avoidance

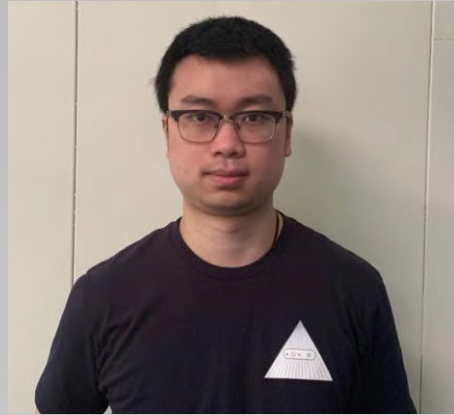
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Depth Detection Camera

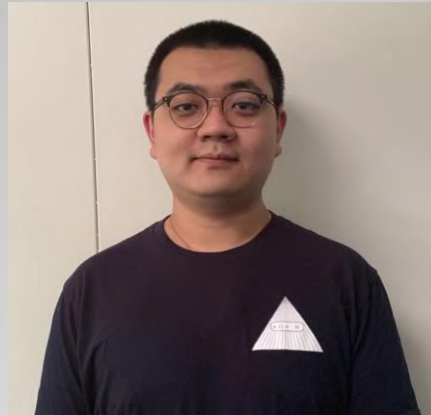
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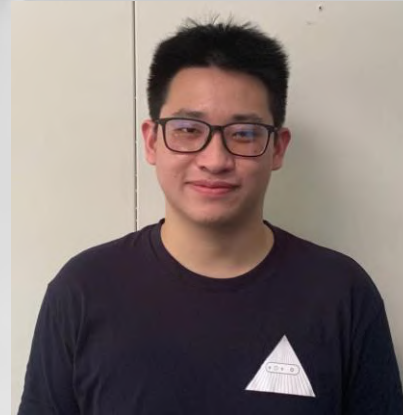
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3D modeling

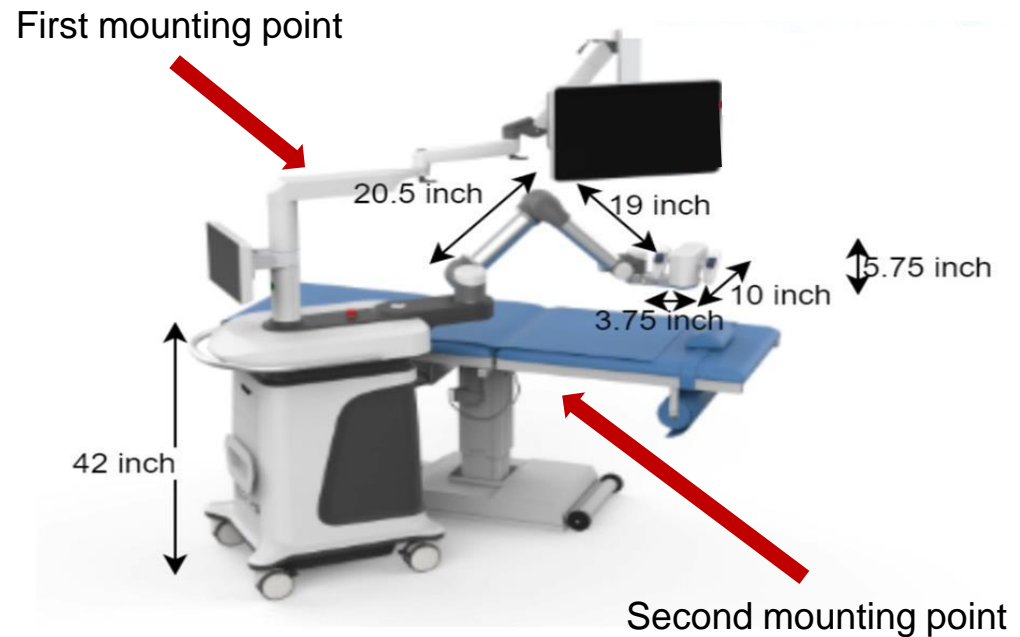
Introduction

- Supporting system for eye surgery
- High-end electronic microscopes attached to robotic arm
- A collision could damage the sophisticated and sensitive microscope



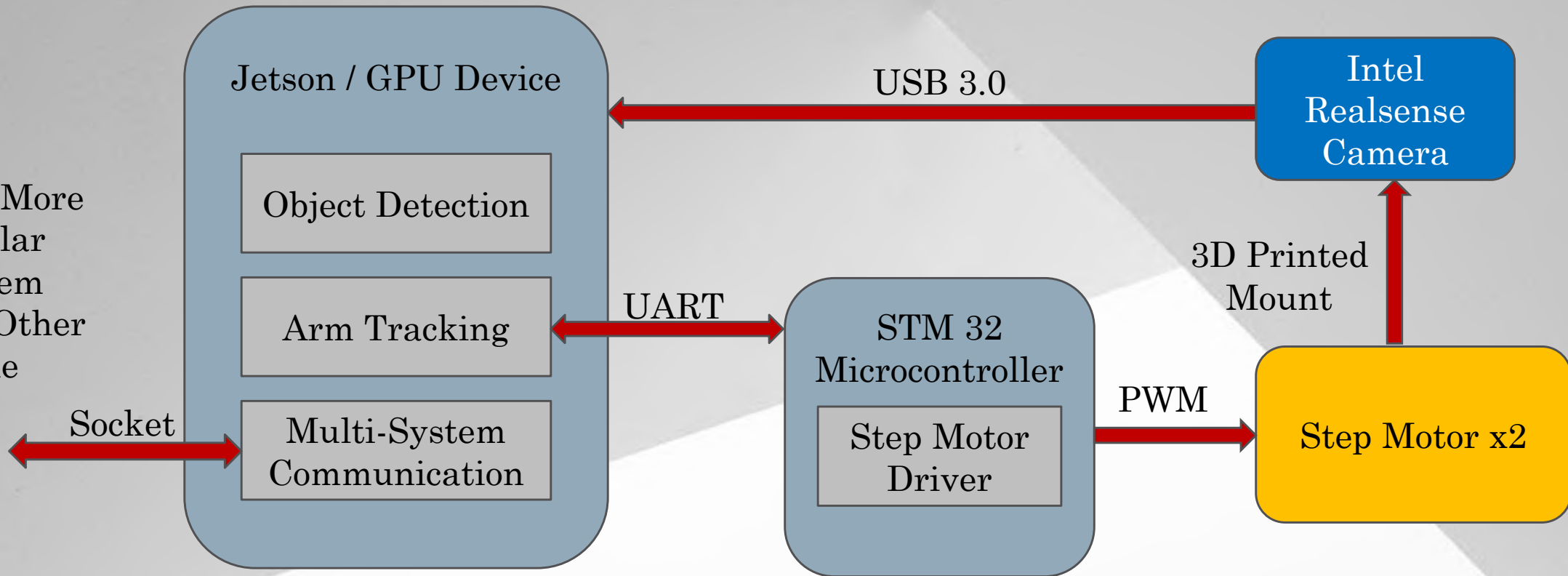
Goals and General Design

- Use depth/object detection to avoid robotic arm collision
- Mount 3D cameras onto/around the surgical cart
- Rotate the cameras to track arm position



System Design

One More
Similar
System
For Other
Angle

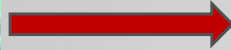


STM32 and Step Motor

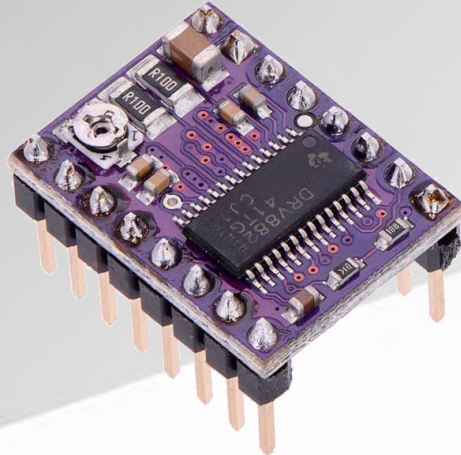
STM32 Microcontroller



PWM &
GPIO



Motor Driver



4 Bit Step
Info



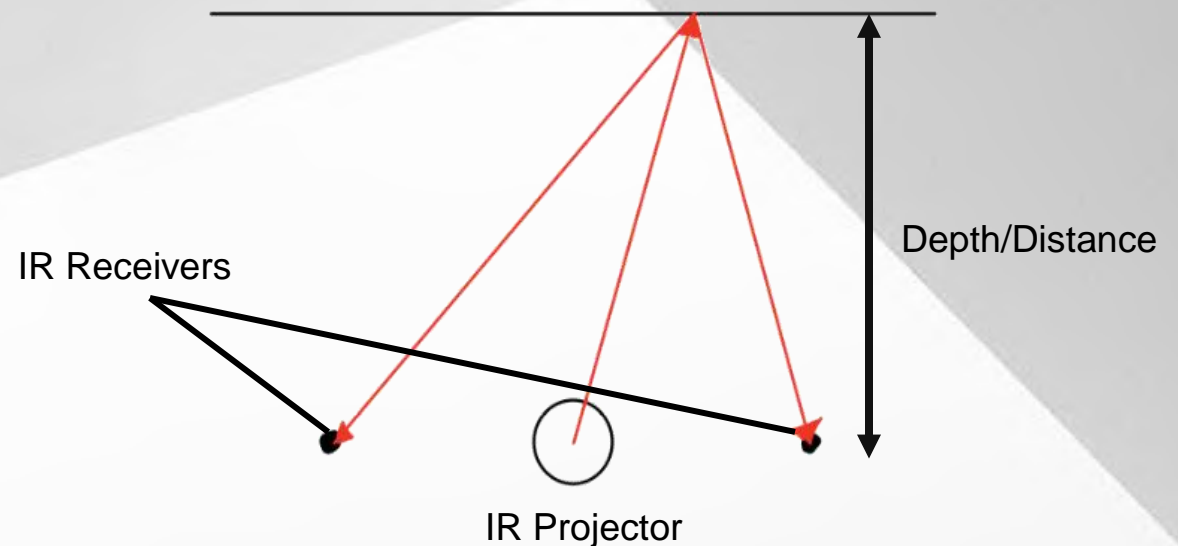
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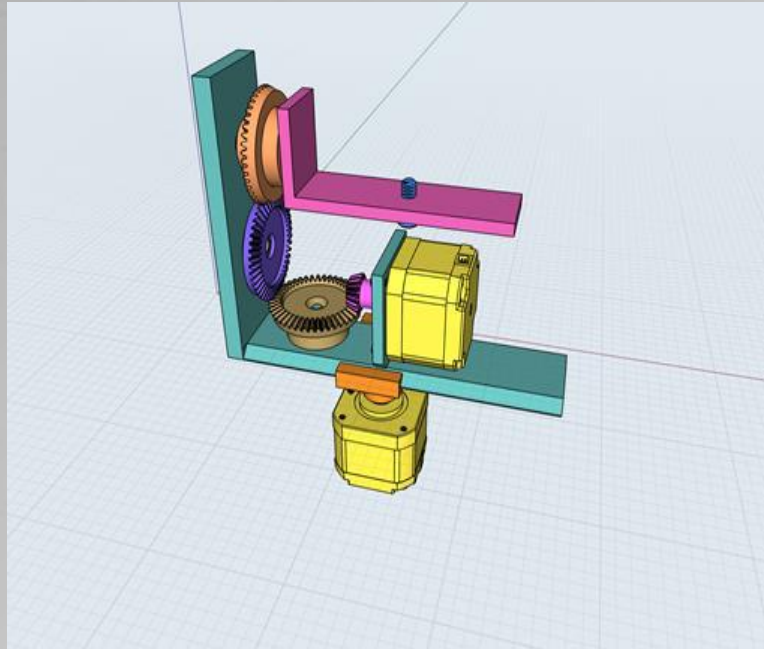
Depth Detection Camera

Intel Realsense D435i

- Active IR technology
- High resolution RGB camera
- SDK for most programming language
- USB 3.1 which requires a high-level micro controller



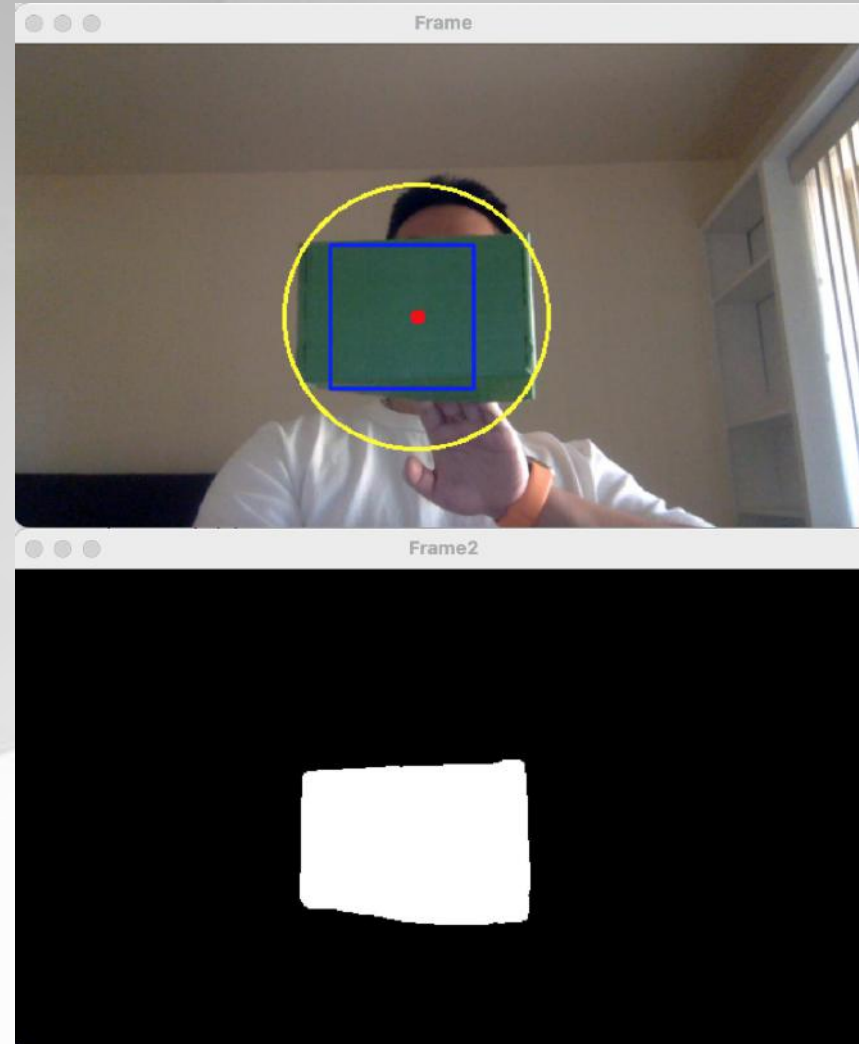
3D Printed Mount



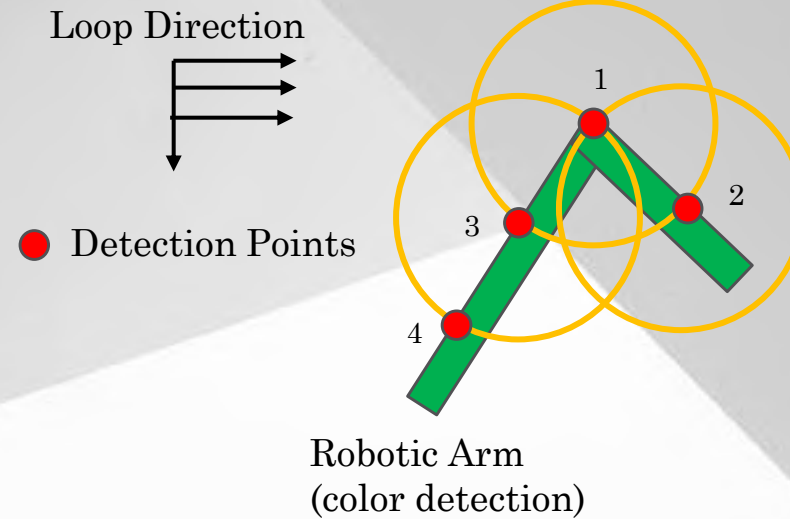
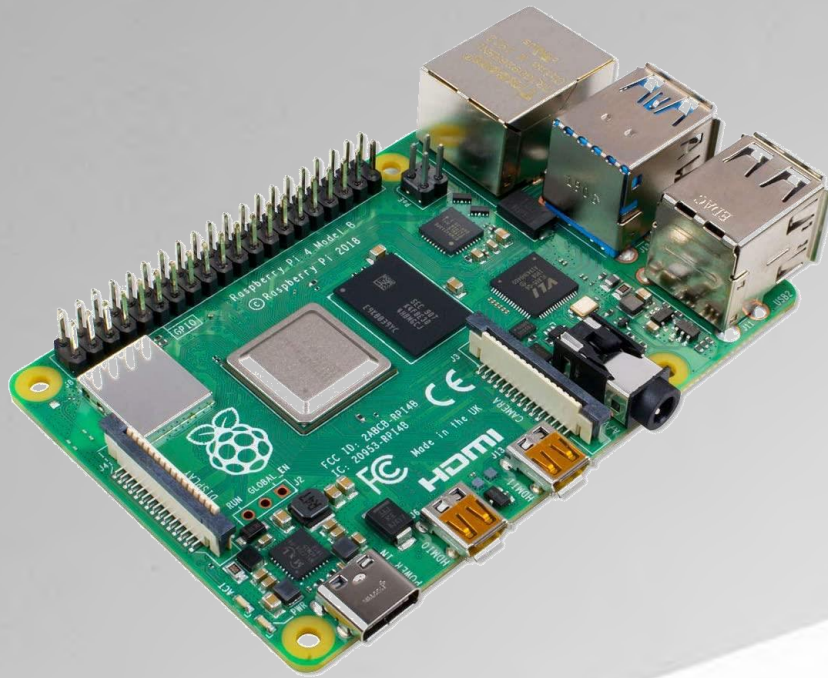
- 360 degree turning angle both vertically and horizontally
- Two sets for different perspective point

Color Detection

1. Generate a color mask from RGB image
 - Get a 2-D array of 0 and 255
 - Mark pixels of selected color range with 255
2. Return a Geometric center
 - Use Opencv2 package
 - Use the center point to tracking the robotic arm

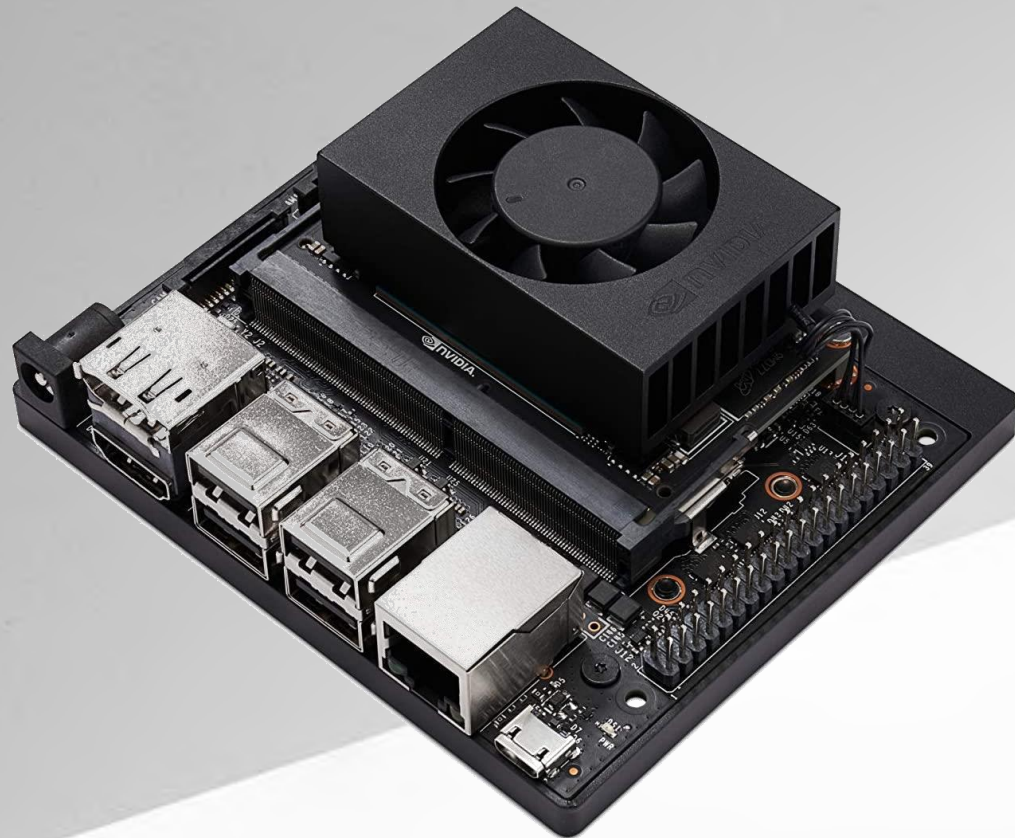


First Attempt on Raspberry Pi



Failed because of the limitation of Raspberry Pi and CPU intensive algorithm

Current Design



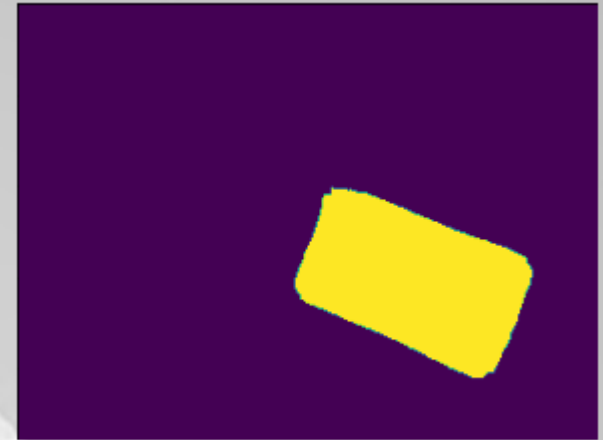
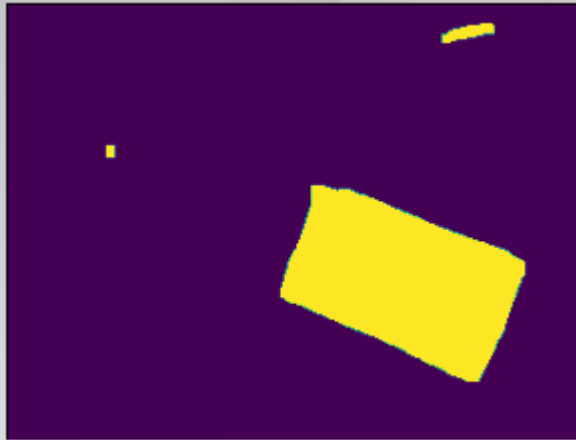
Jetson Based

- GPU on-board
- Faster object detection
- Detect all direction of the whole arm simultaneously

Image Postprocessing

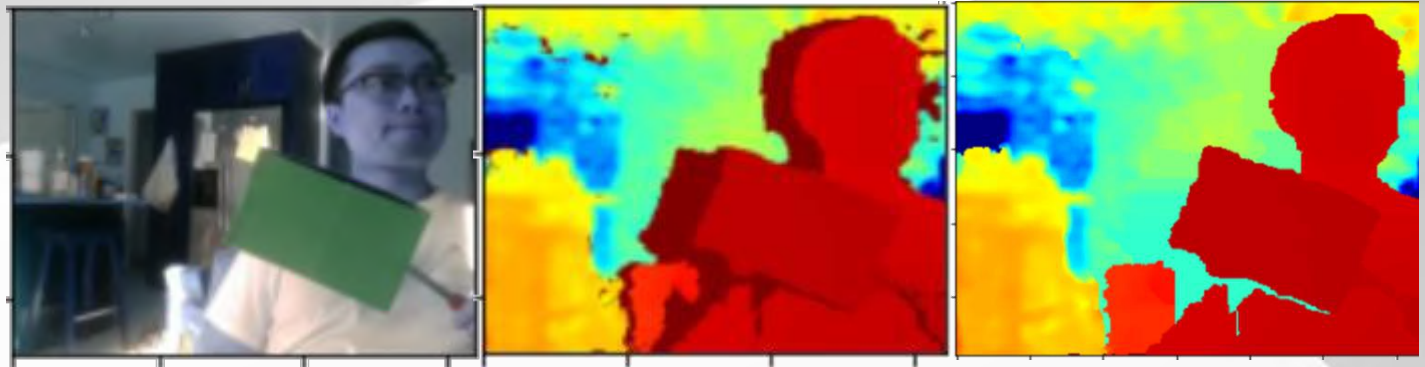
1. Color Mask:

- Use our own kernel to remove noise





2. Depth Frame:

- Use filter to smooth the depth image
- Hole filling





Object Detection

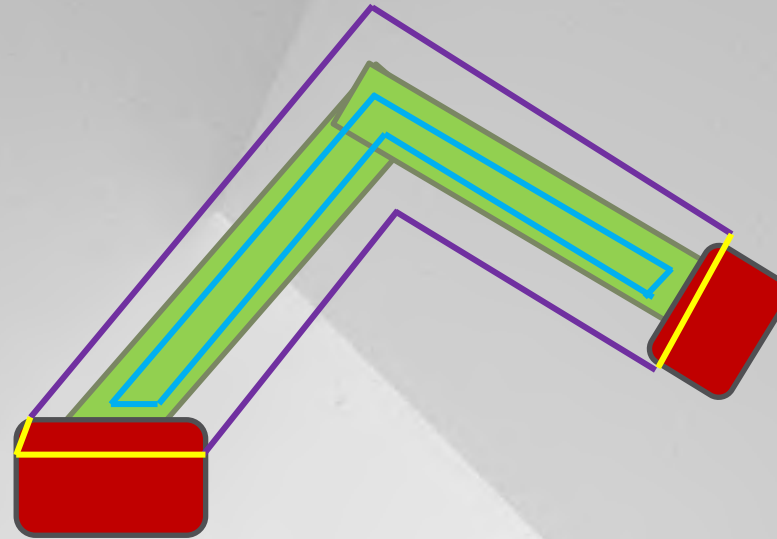
Robotic Arm
(Green Covered) 

Ignored Device
(Red Covered) 

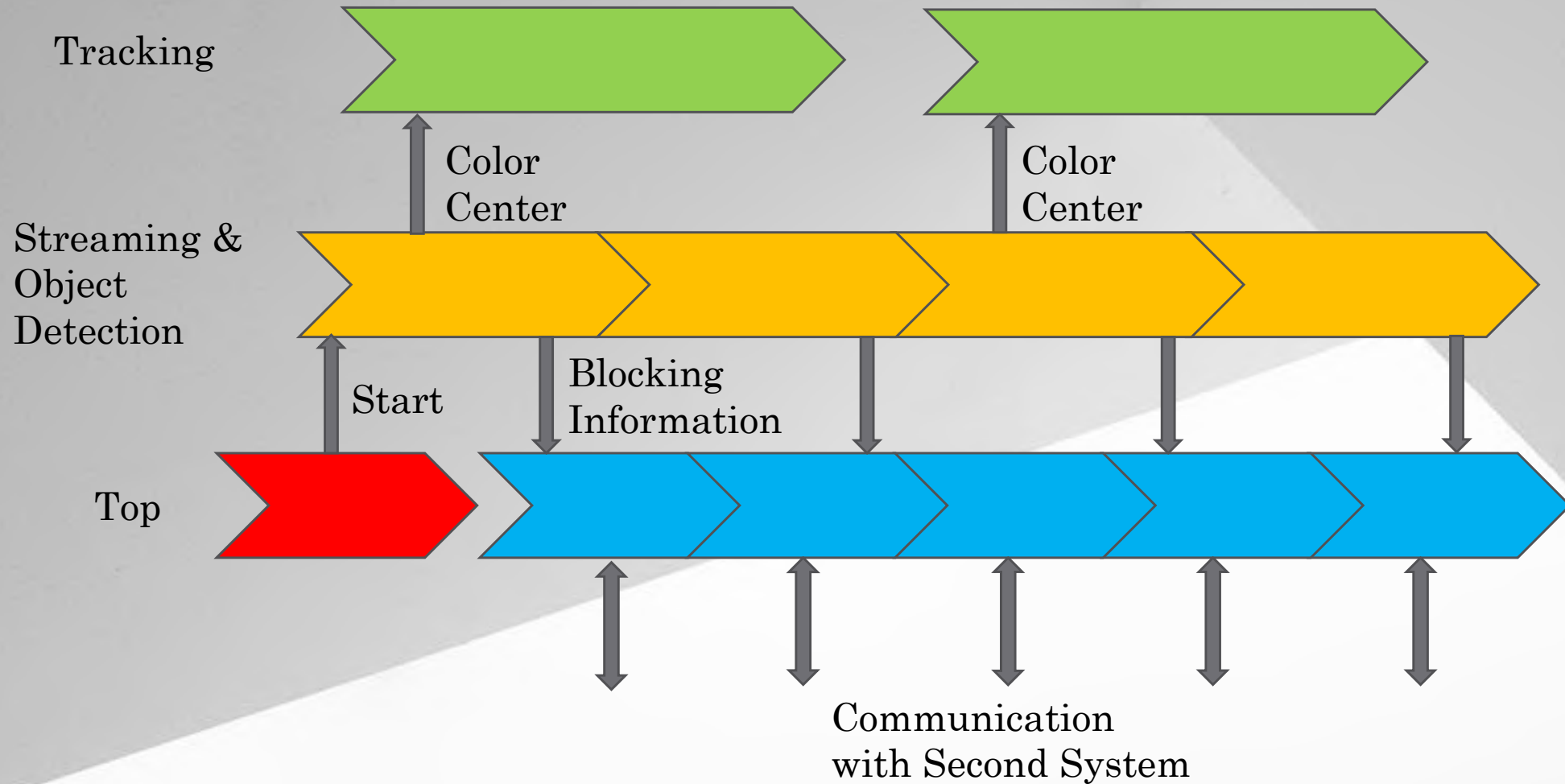
Inner Bound
(For Comparison) 

Outer Bound
(For Detection) 

Ignored Bound
(Skip Part) 



Main Program



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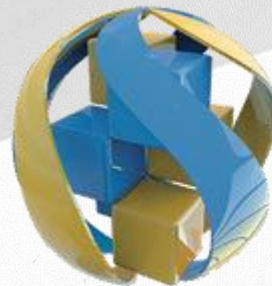
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