

# COMP 150: Probabilistic Robotics for Human-Robot Interaction

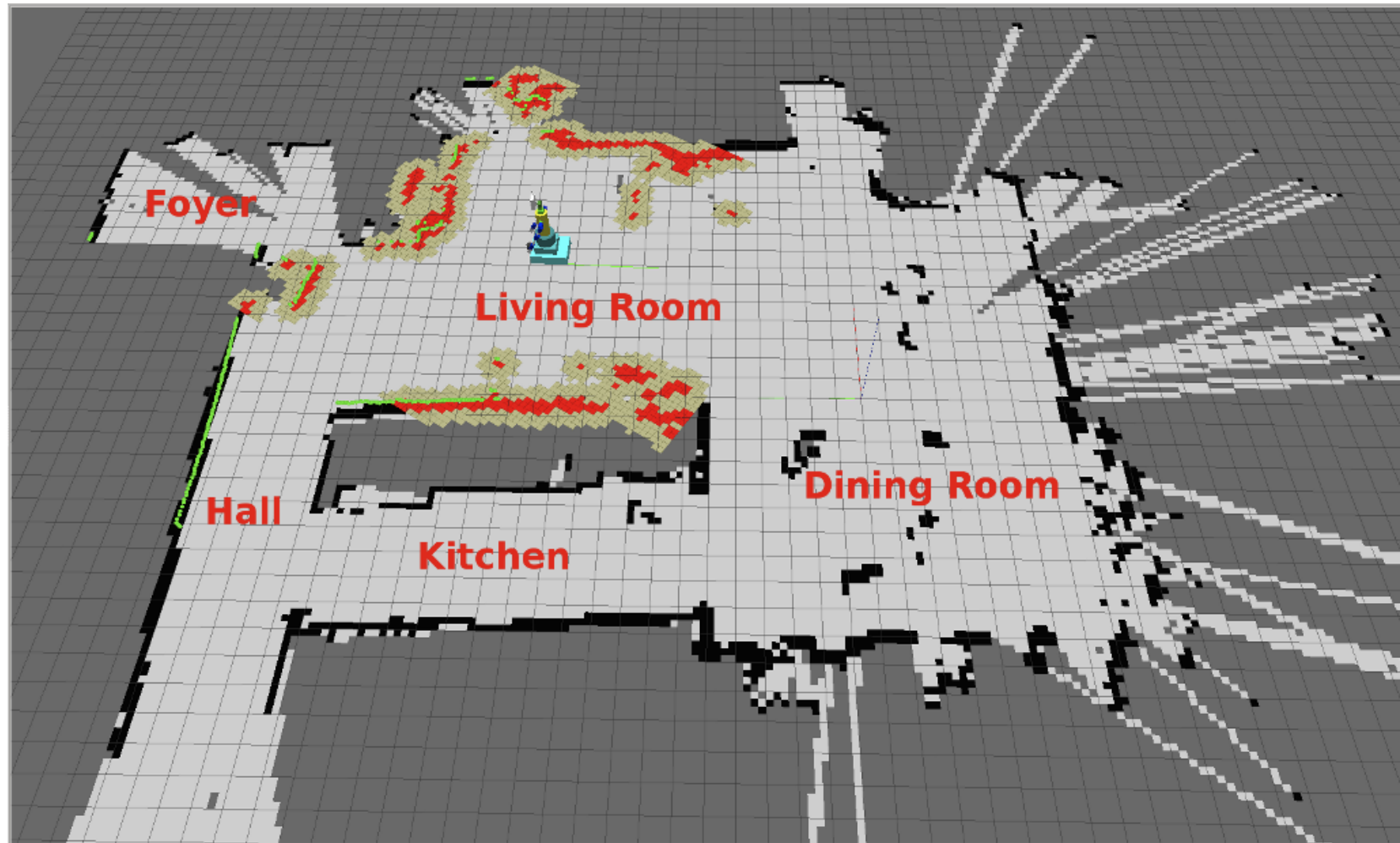
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# Today

- Homework 1 hints
- Introduction for Particle Filters for localization

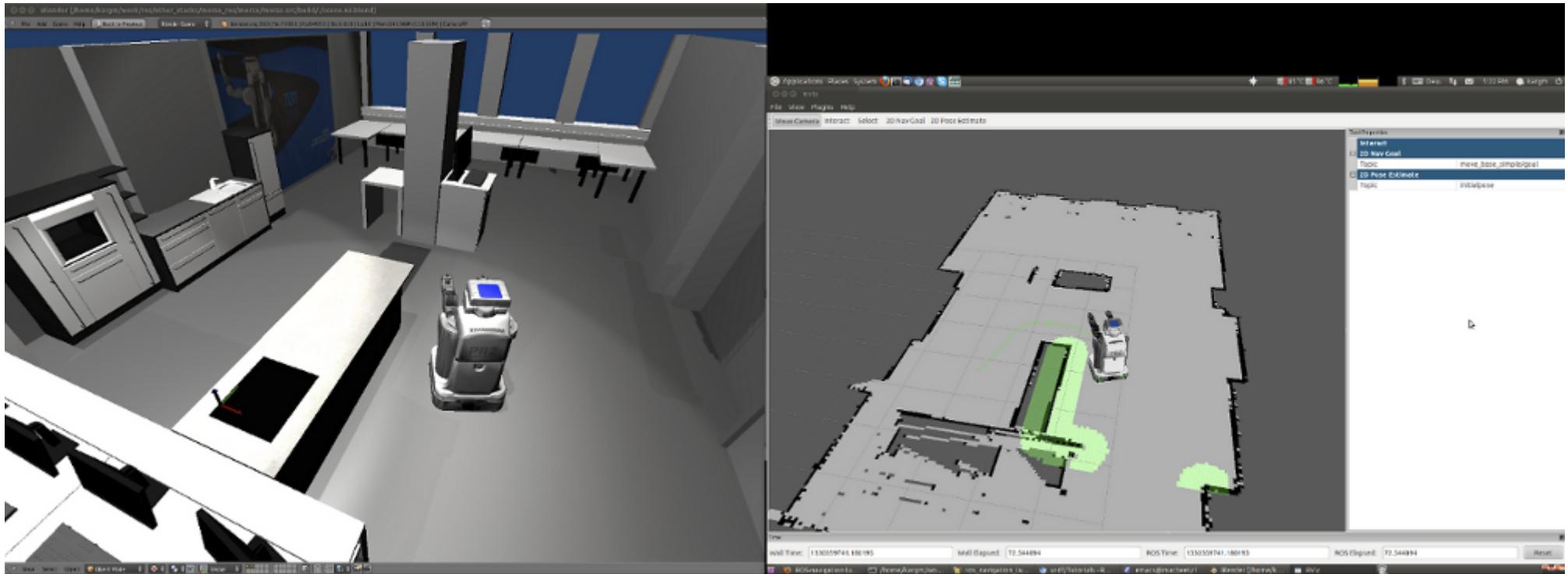
# Localization and Mapping

# Robot Maps



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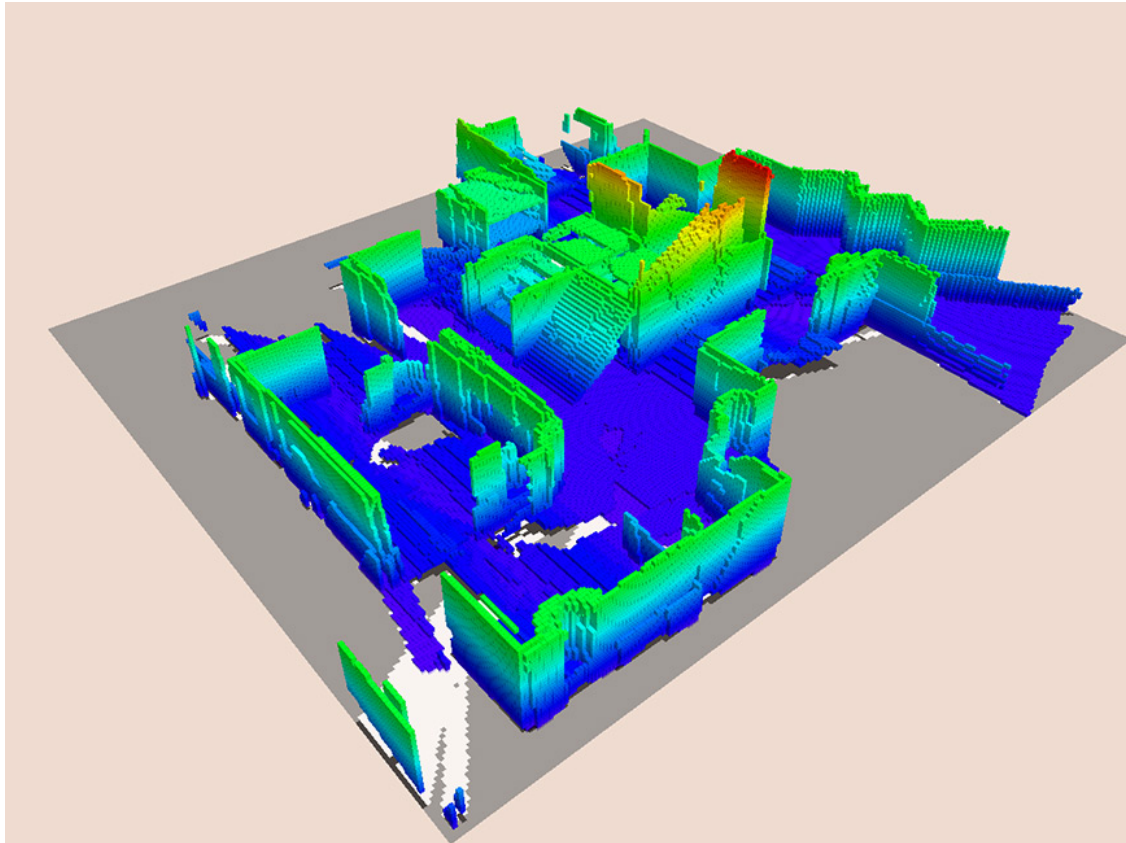


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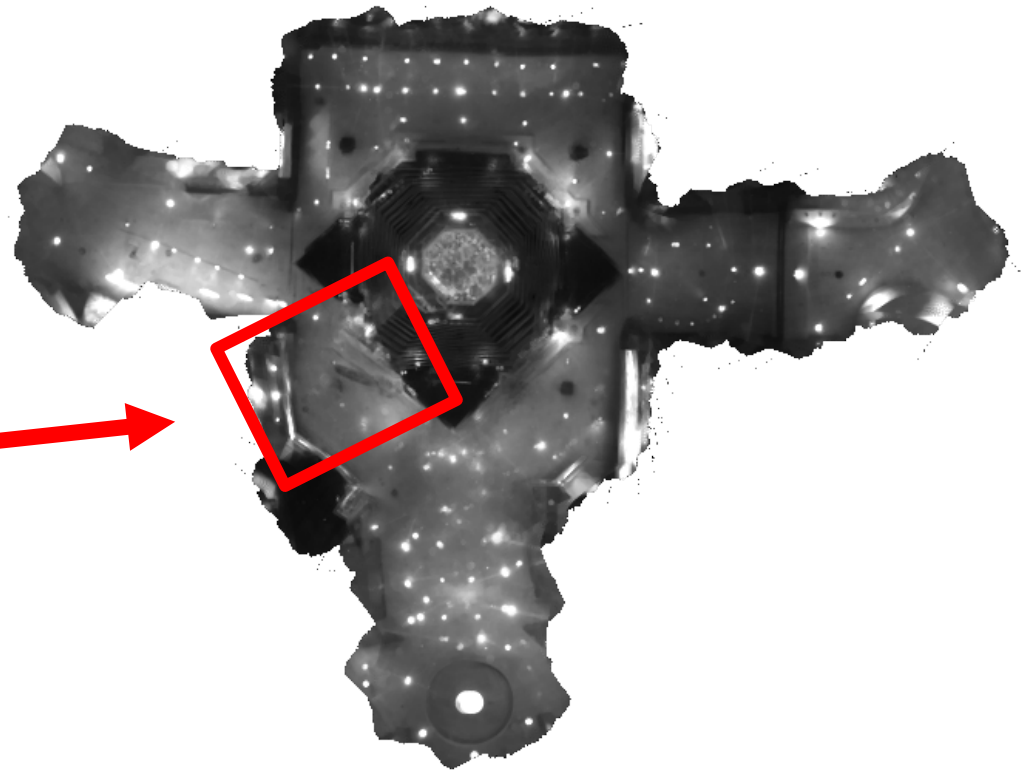
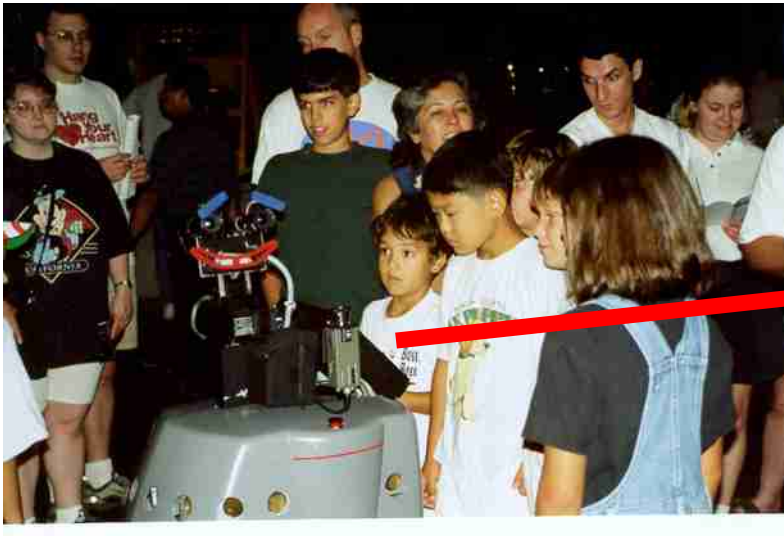
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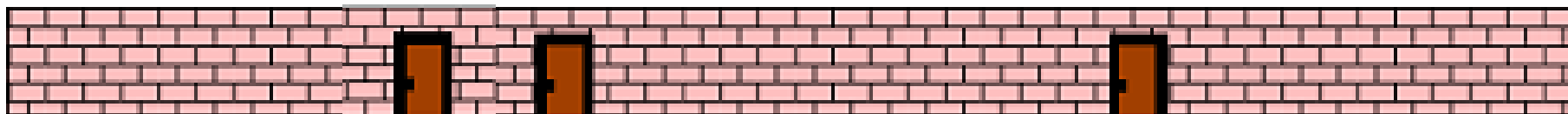
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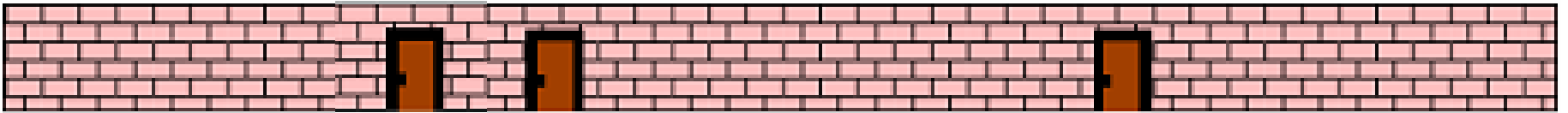




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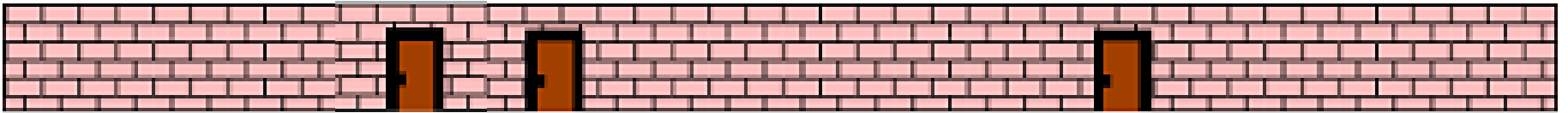


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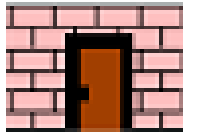


How would we represent this map using math?

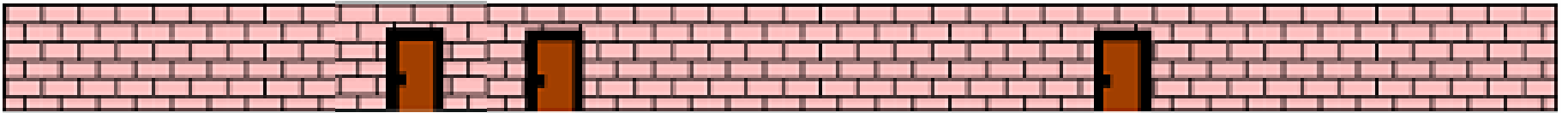
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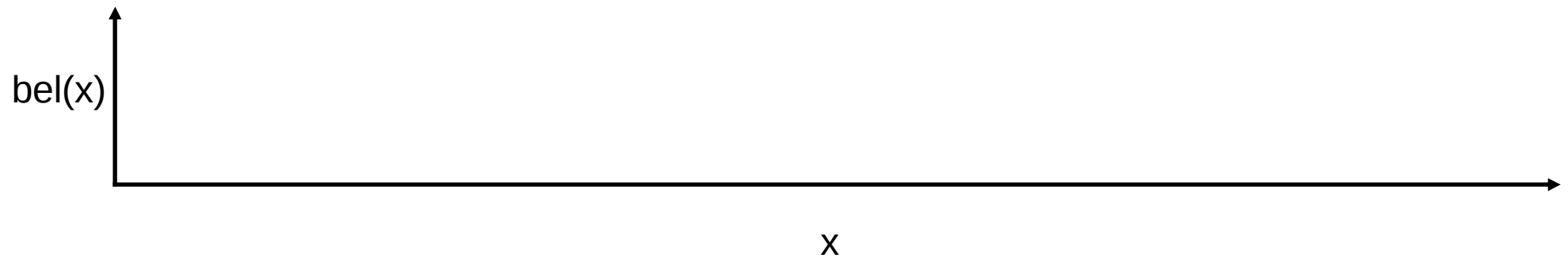
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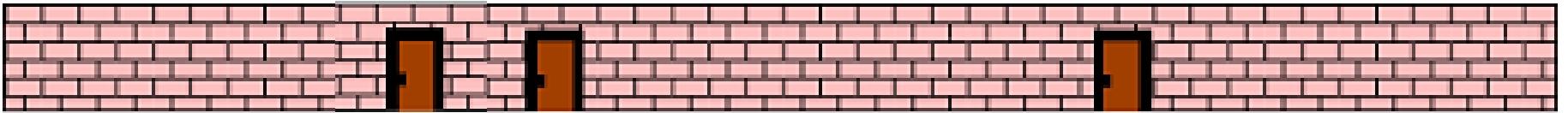


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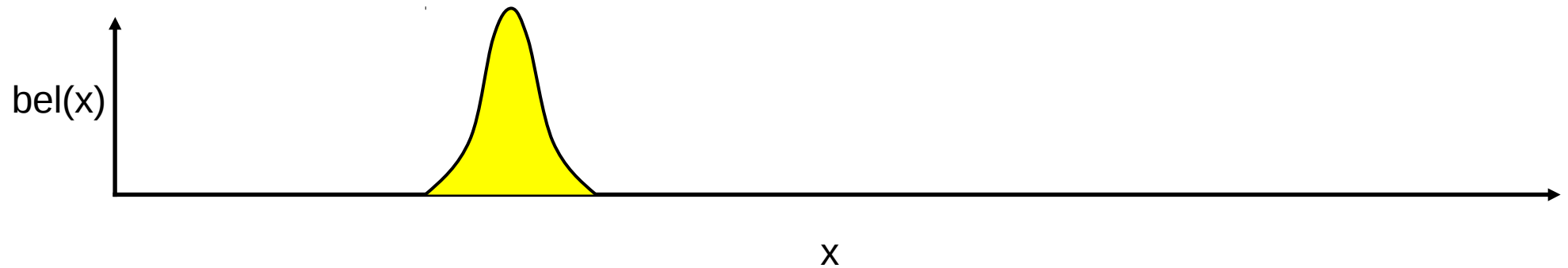
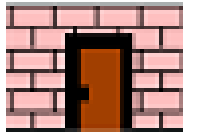




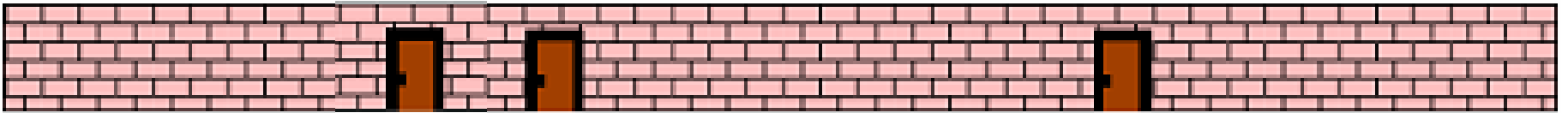
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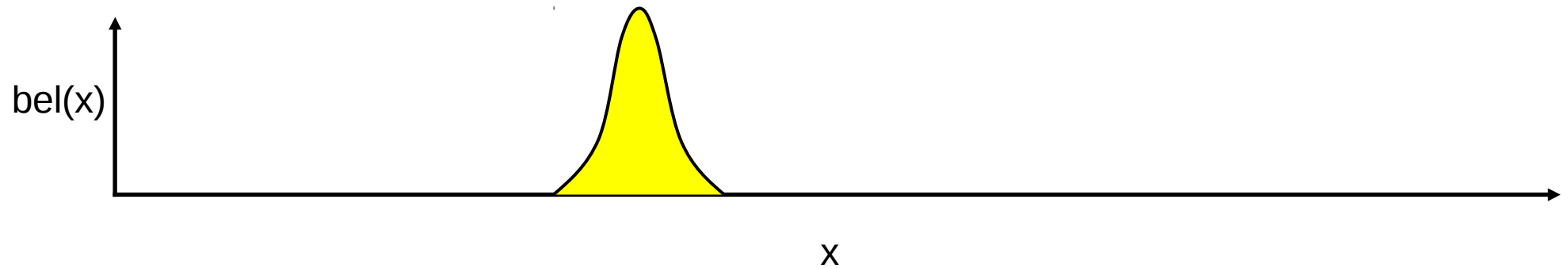
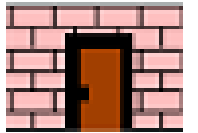
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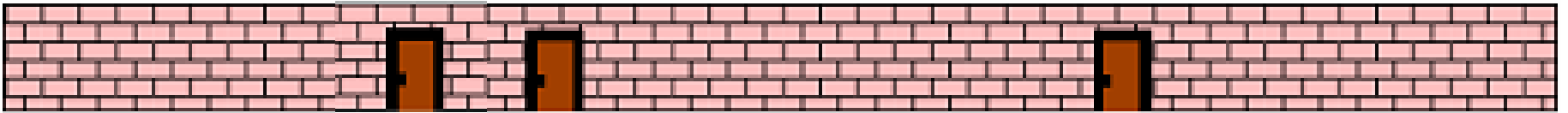
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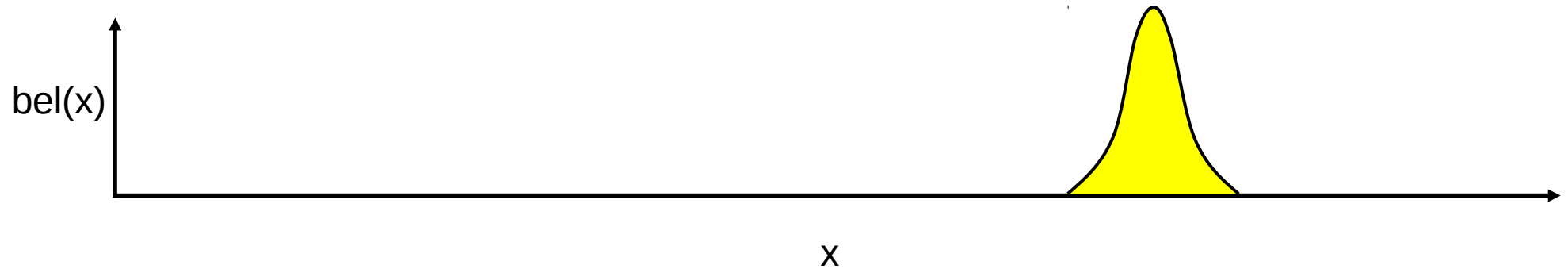
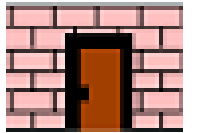
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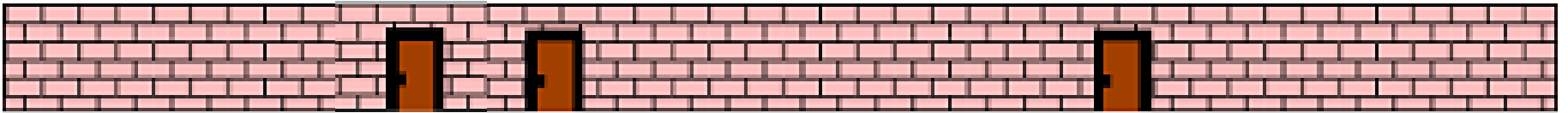
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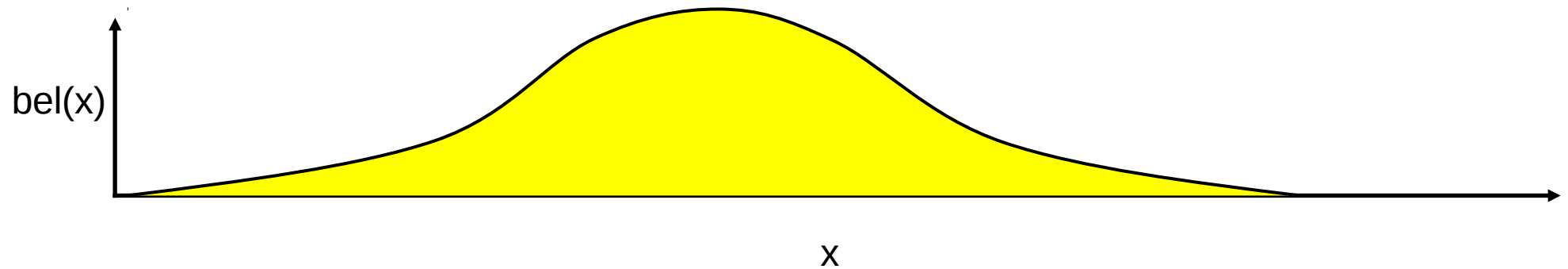
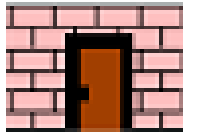
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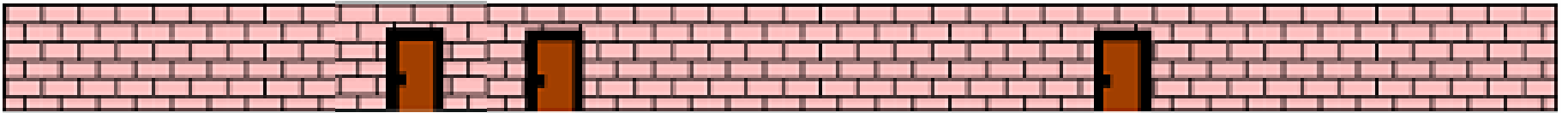
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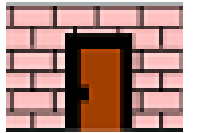
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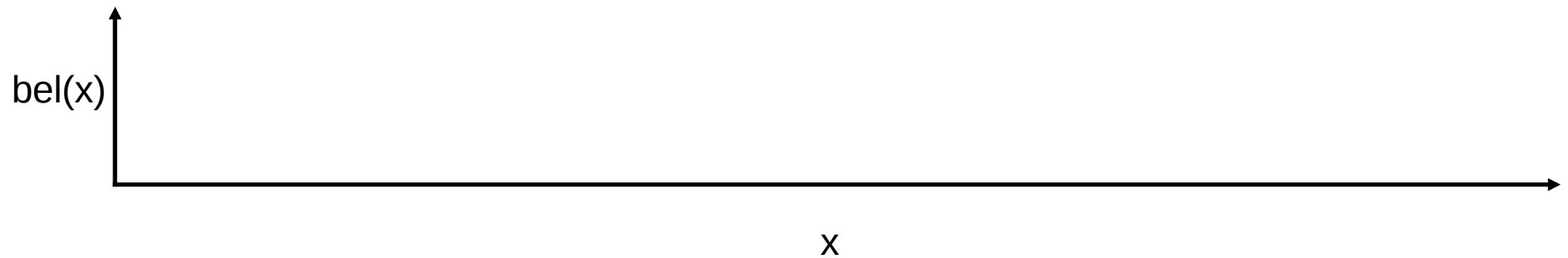
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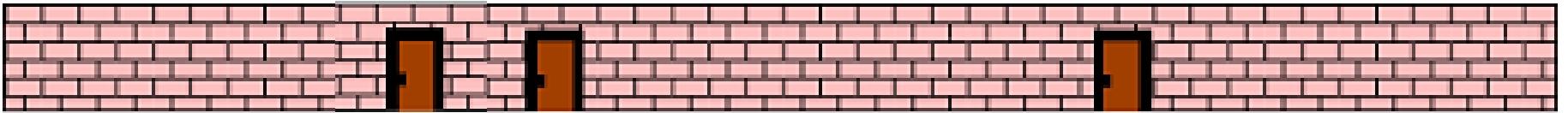


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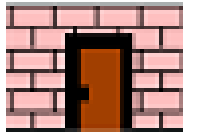




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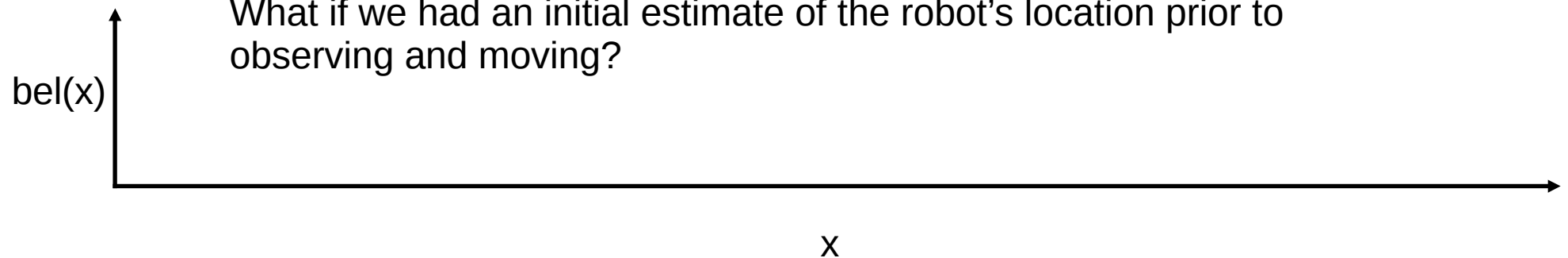


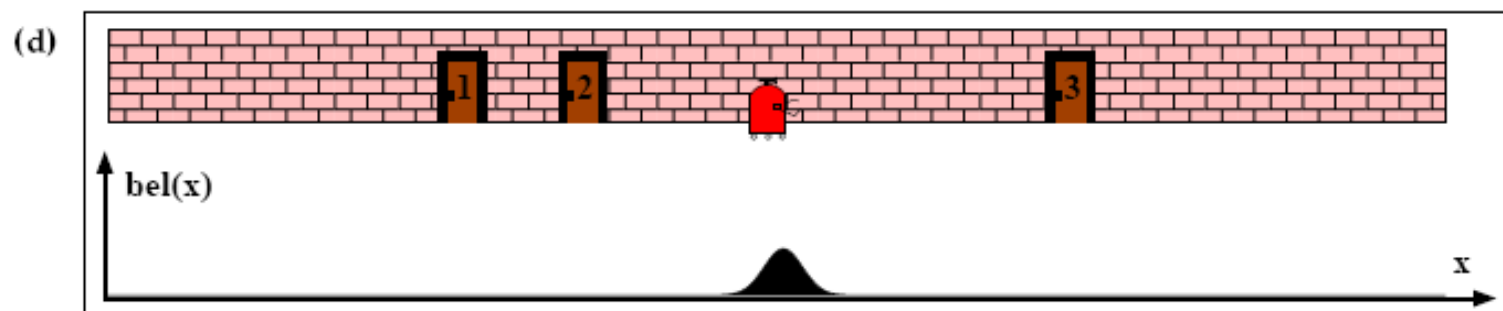
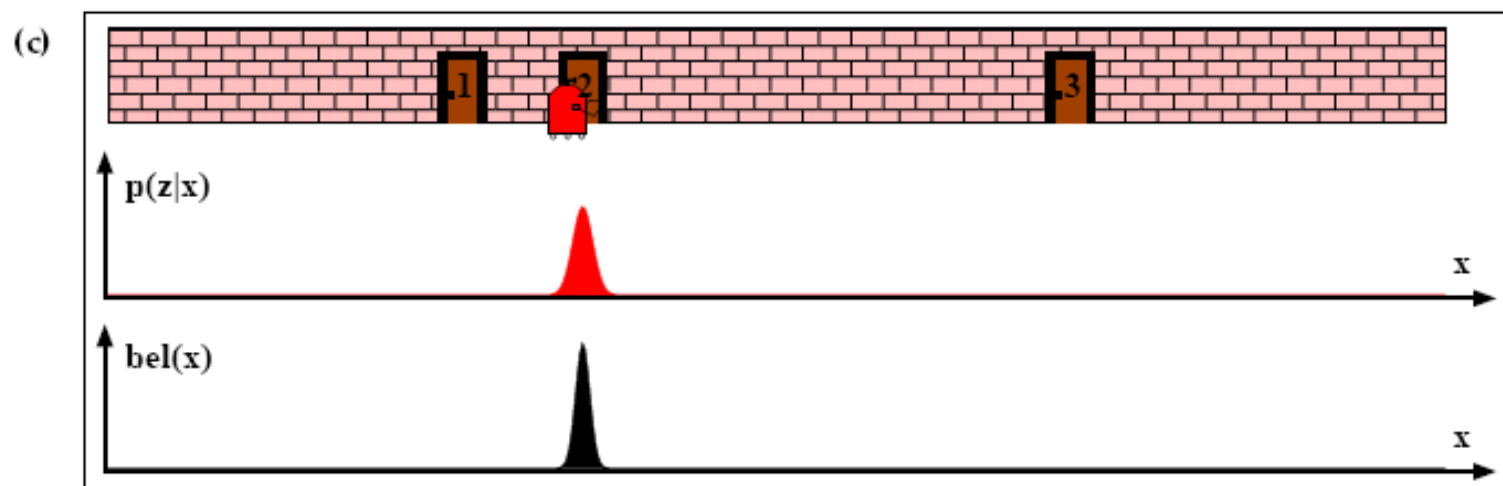
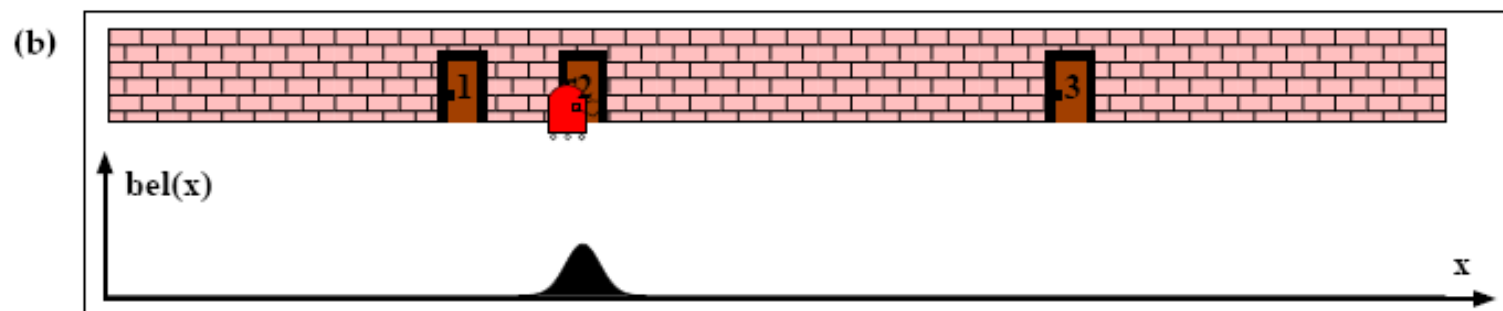
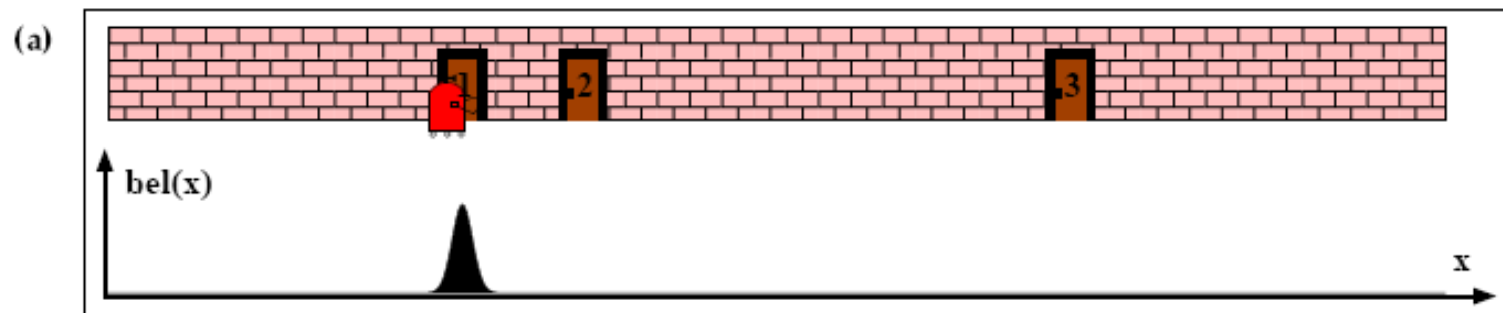
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What if we had an initial estimate of the robot's location prior to observing and moving?





But what if we don't know where we  
are at the start?

Or, what if somebody moves the robot manually  
after it started its operation?

# Odometry

“Odometry is the use of data from motion sensors to estimate change in position over time. It is used in robotics by some legged or wheeled robots to estimate their position relative to a starting location. This method is sensitive to errors due to the integration of velocity measurements over time to give position estimates. “

# Odometry Errors

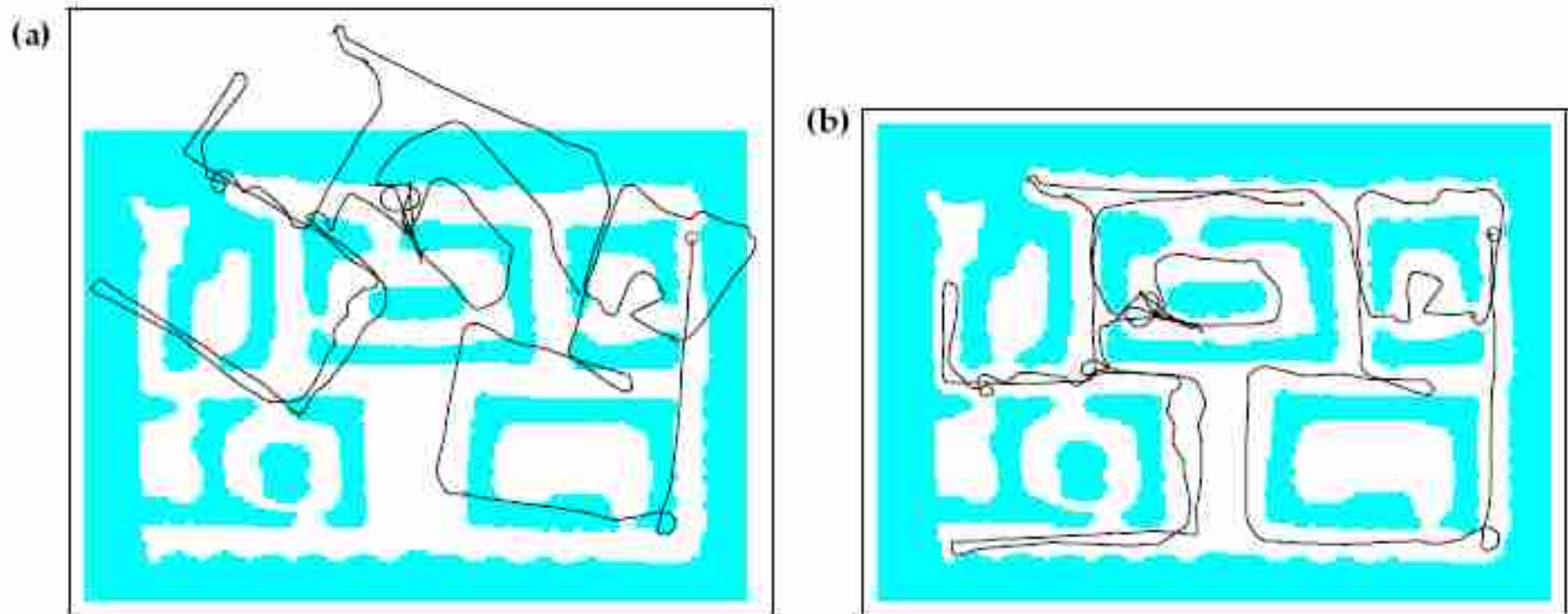
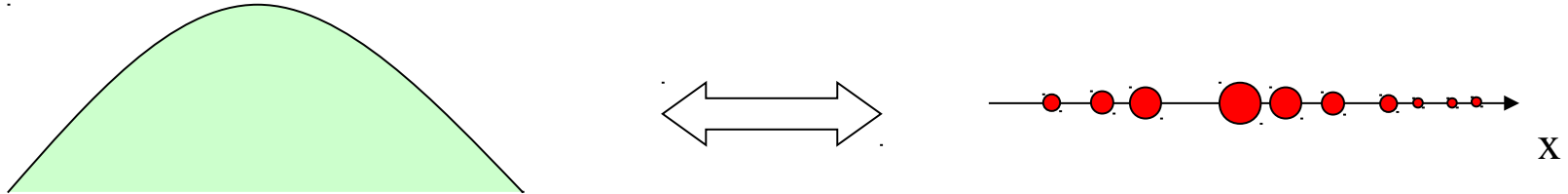


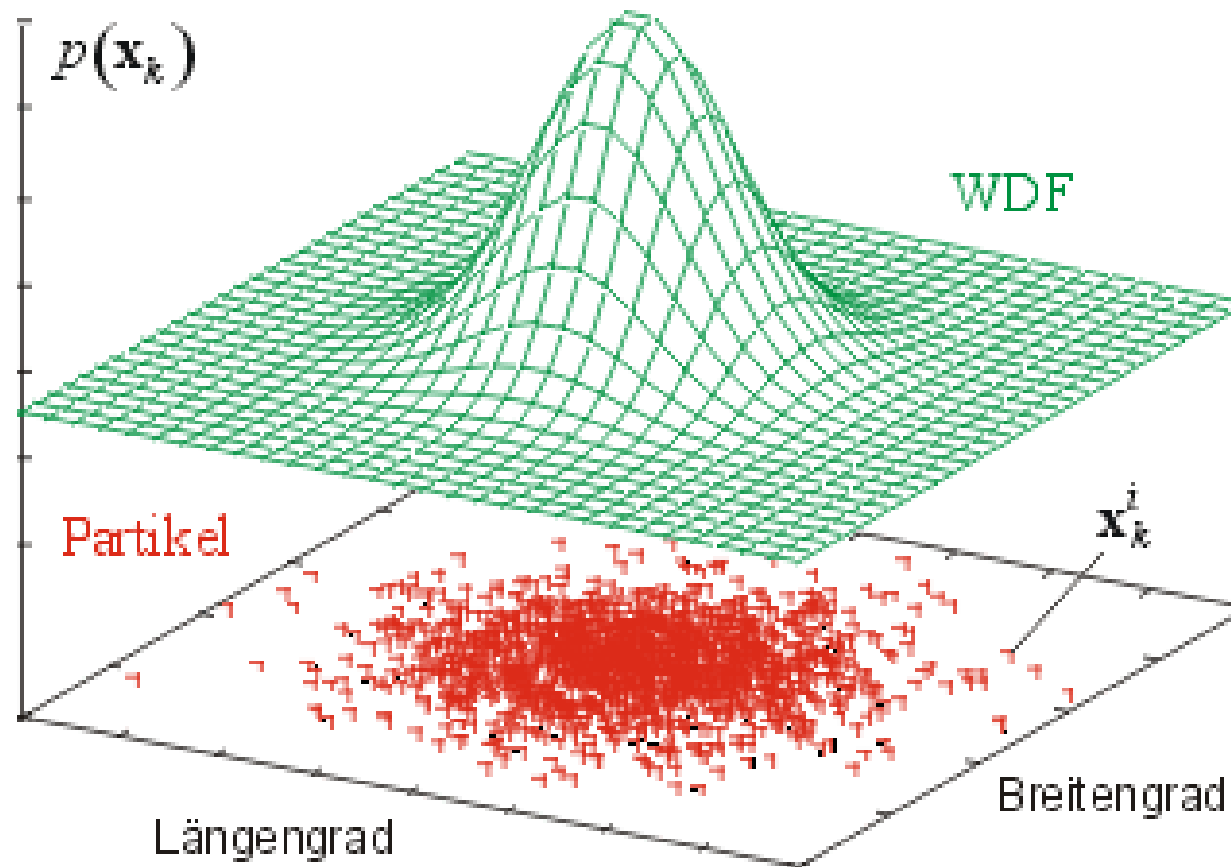
Figure 8.10 (a) Odometry information and (b) corrected path of the robot.



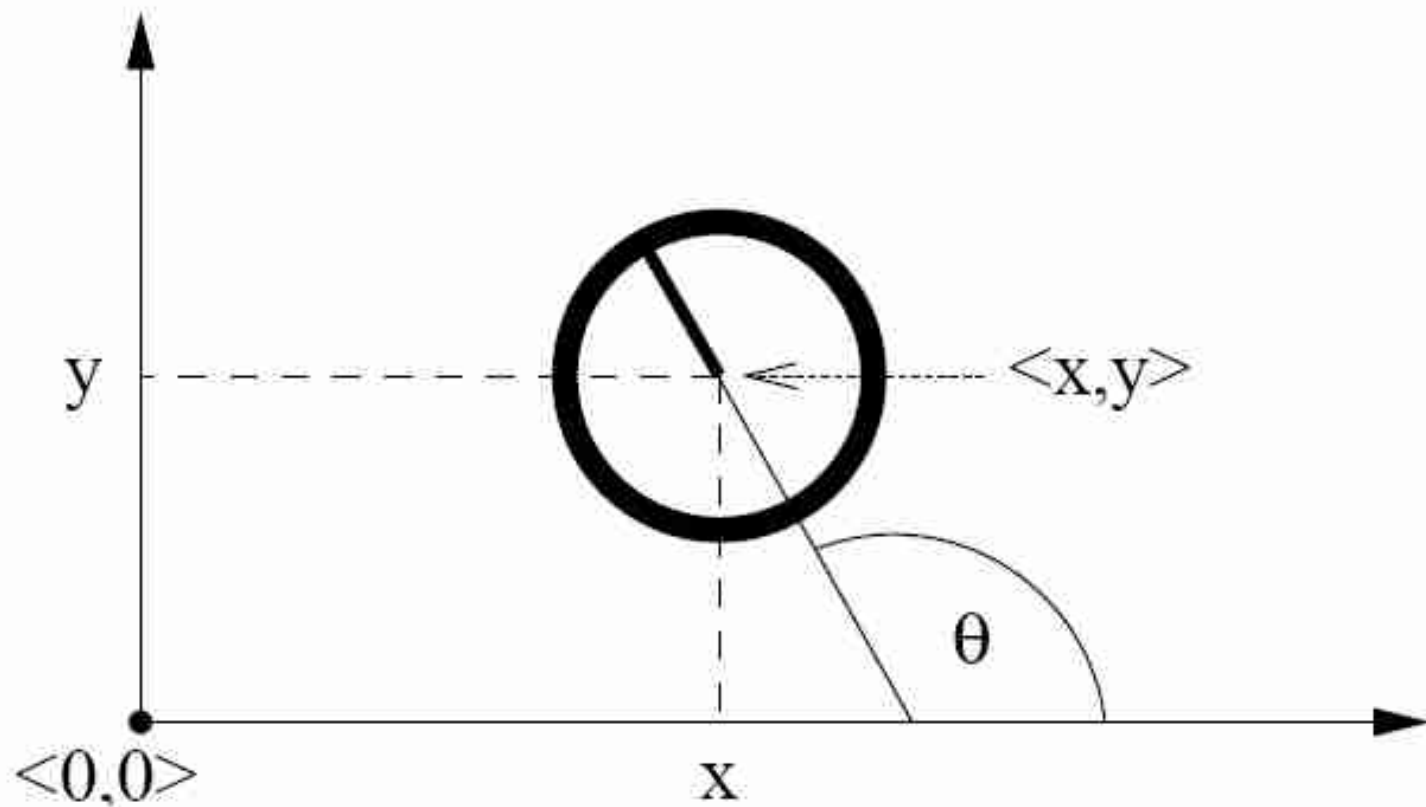
# Basic idea behind Particle Filters



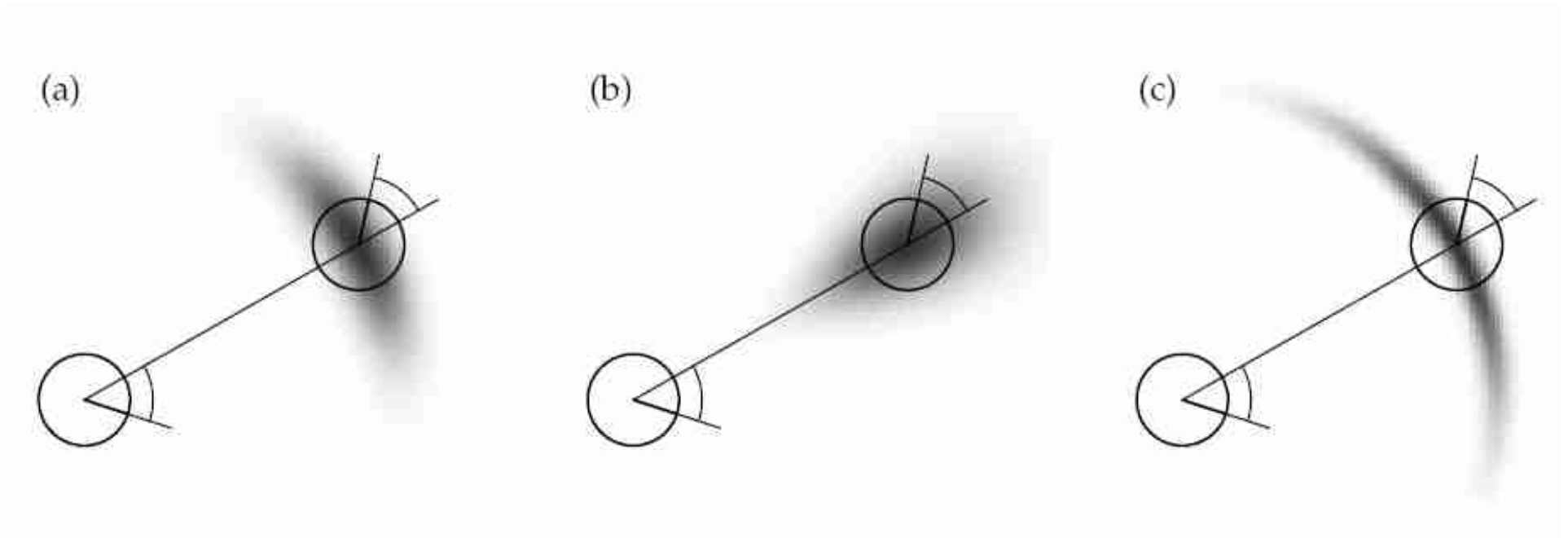
# Now, in 2-D



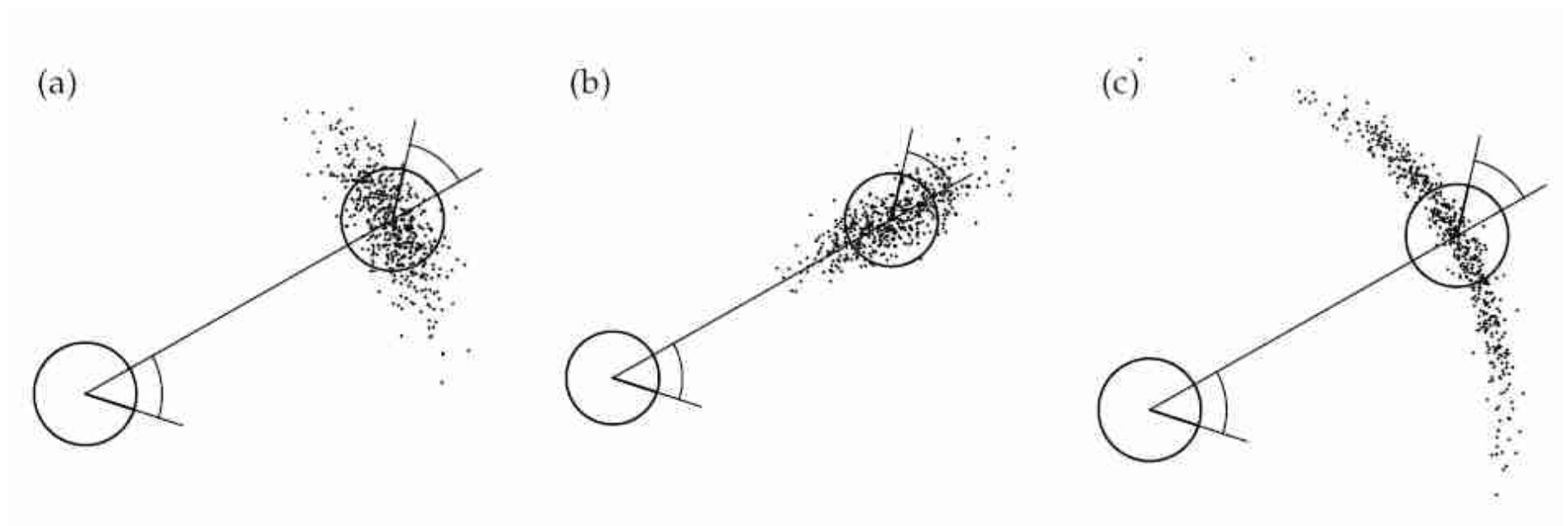
# Robot Pose



# Odometry Motion Model

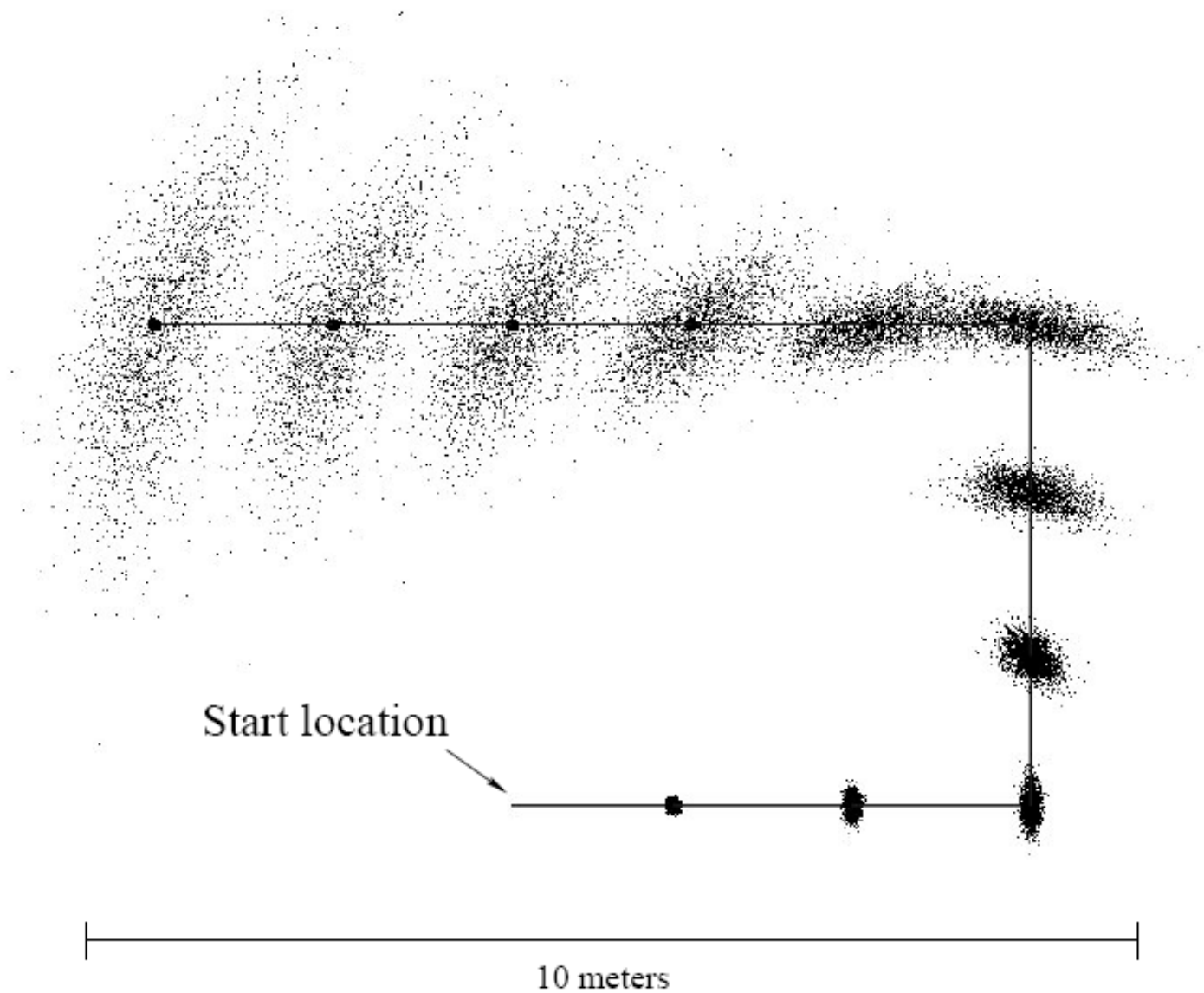


# Sampling from the Model



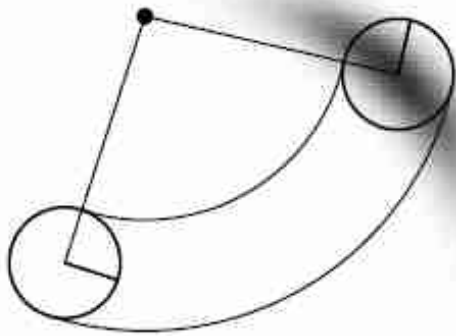


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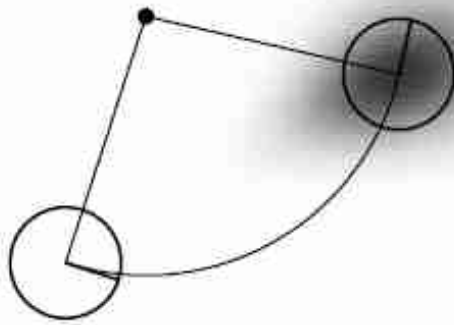


# Velocity Models with Different Parameters

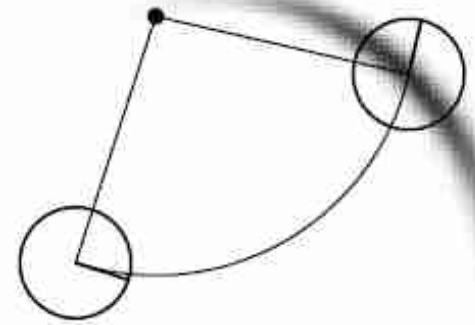
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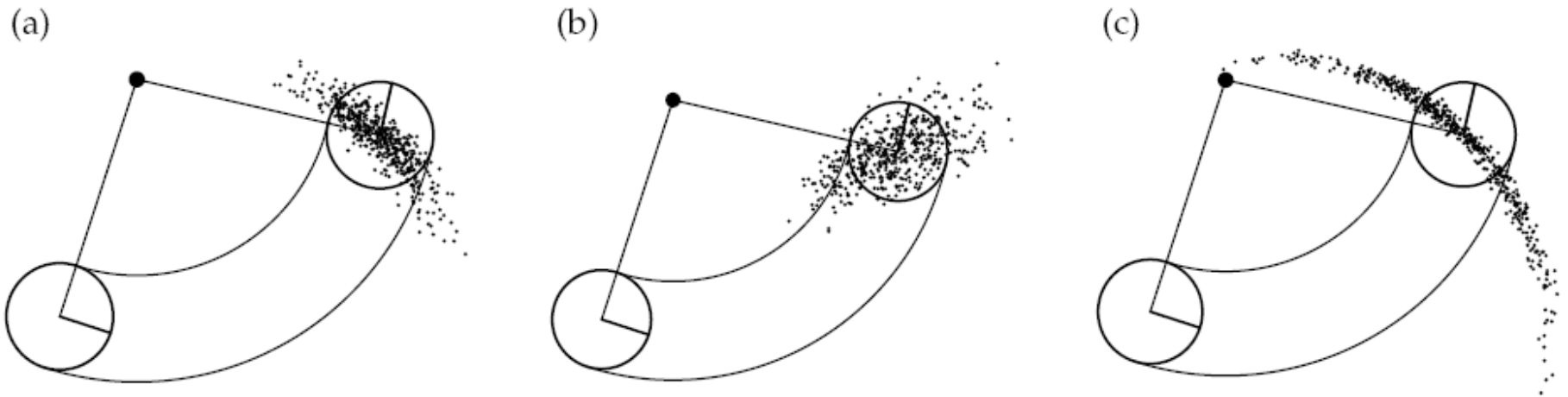
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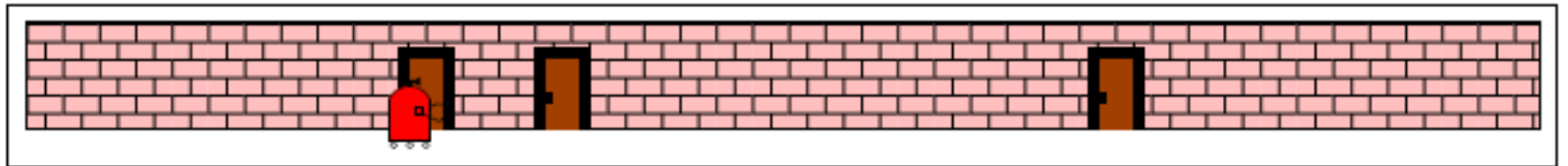
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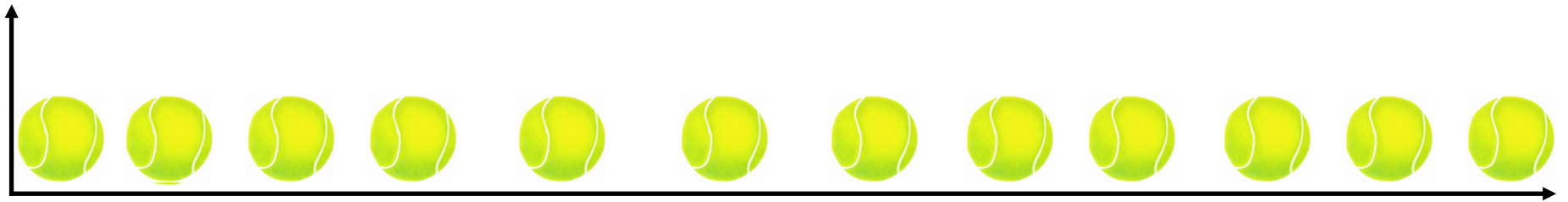
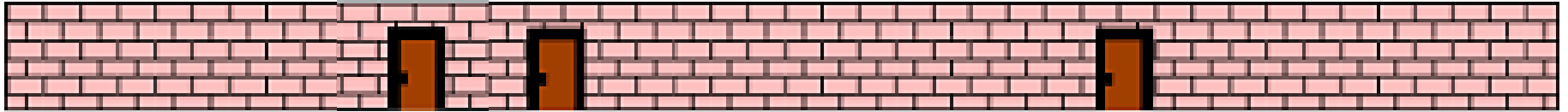


# Example

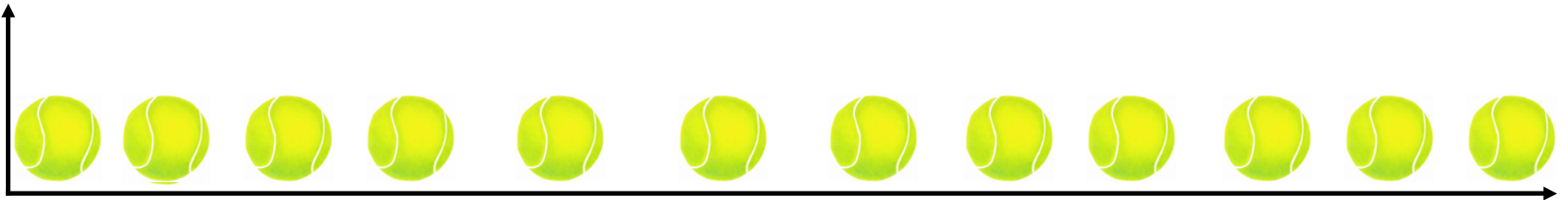
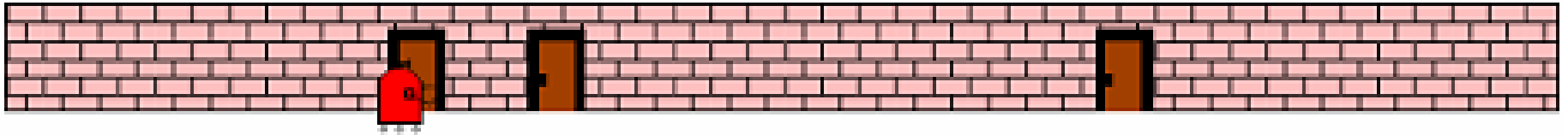


**Figure 7.4** Example environment used to illustrate mobile robot localization: One-dimensional hallway environment with three indistinguishable doors. Initially the robot does not know its location except for its heading direction. Its goal is to find out where it is.

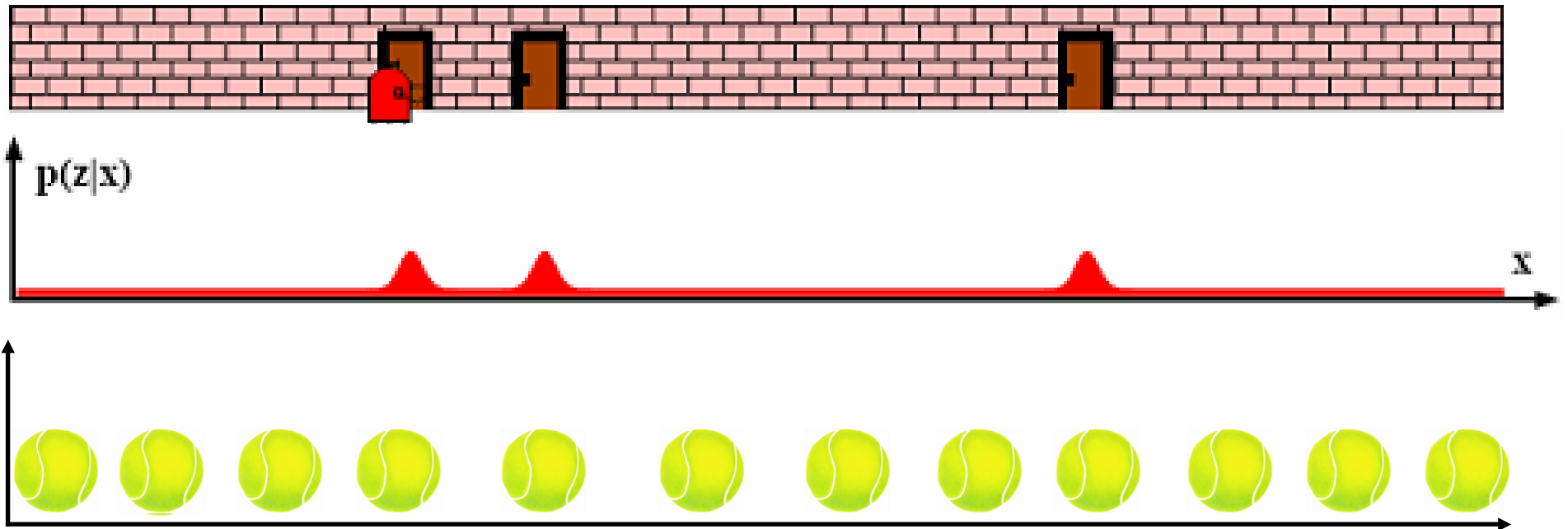
Initially, we do not know the location of the robot, so the particles are everywhere



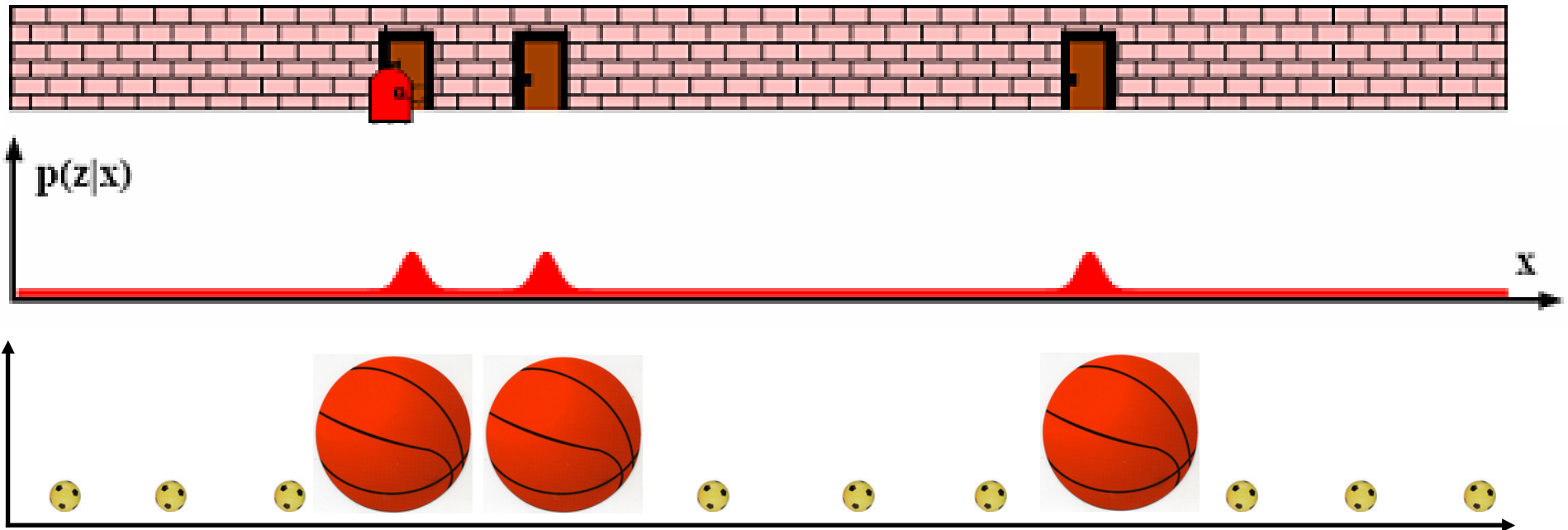
# Next, the robot sees a door



Therefore, we inflate particles next to a door and shrink the rest

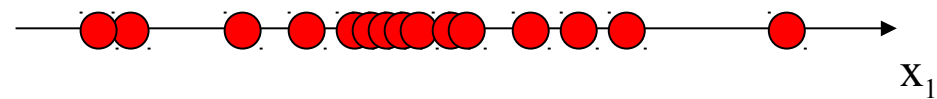
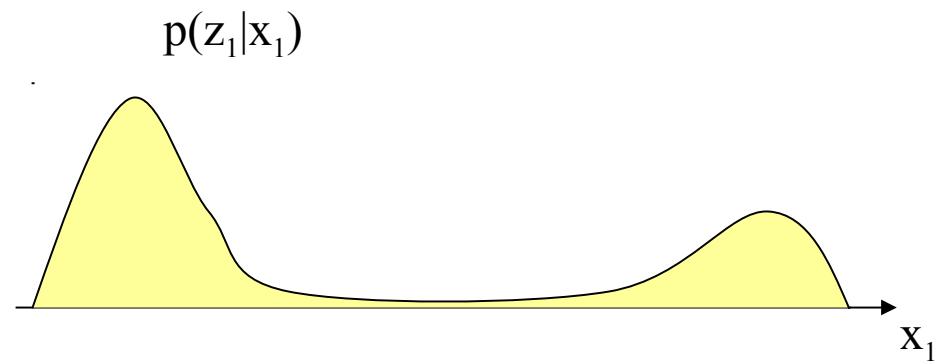


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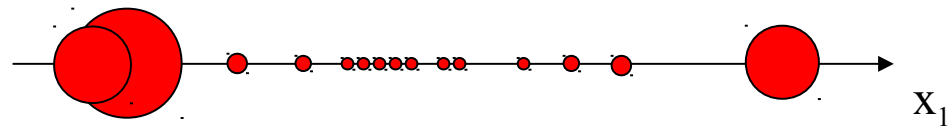




# Computing the weights

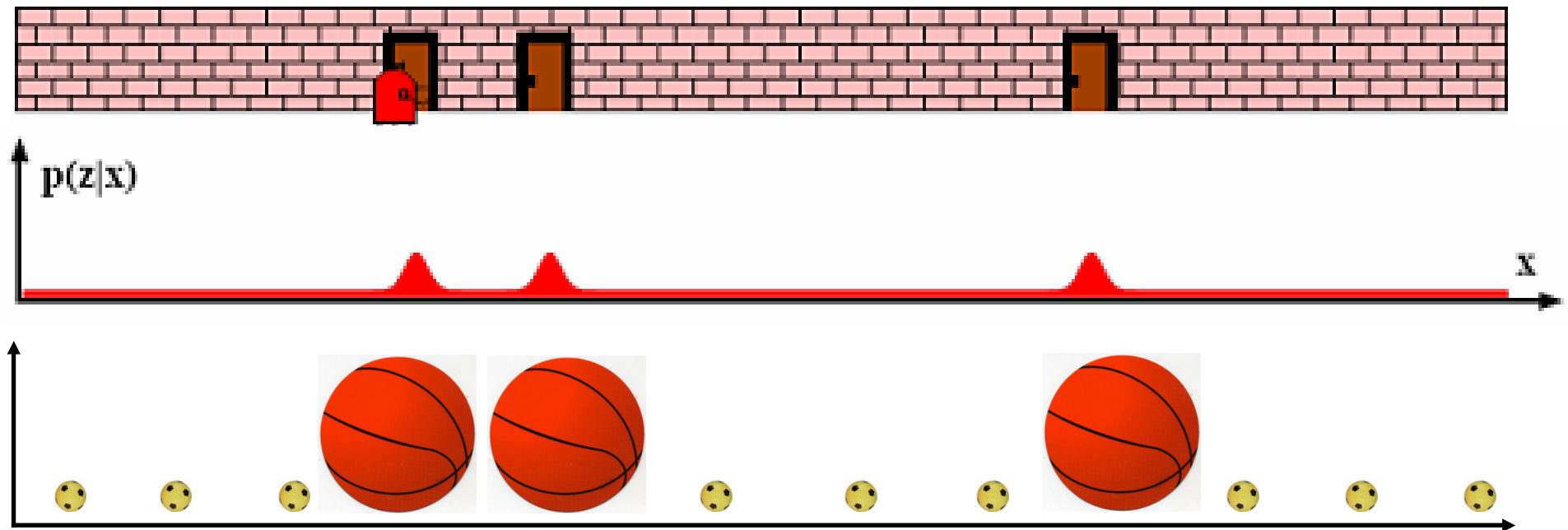


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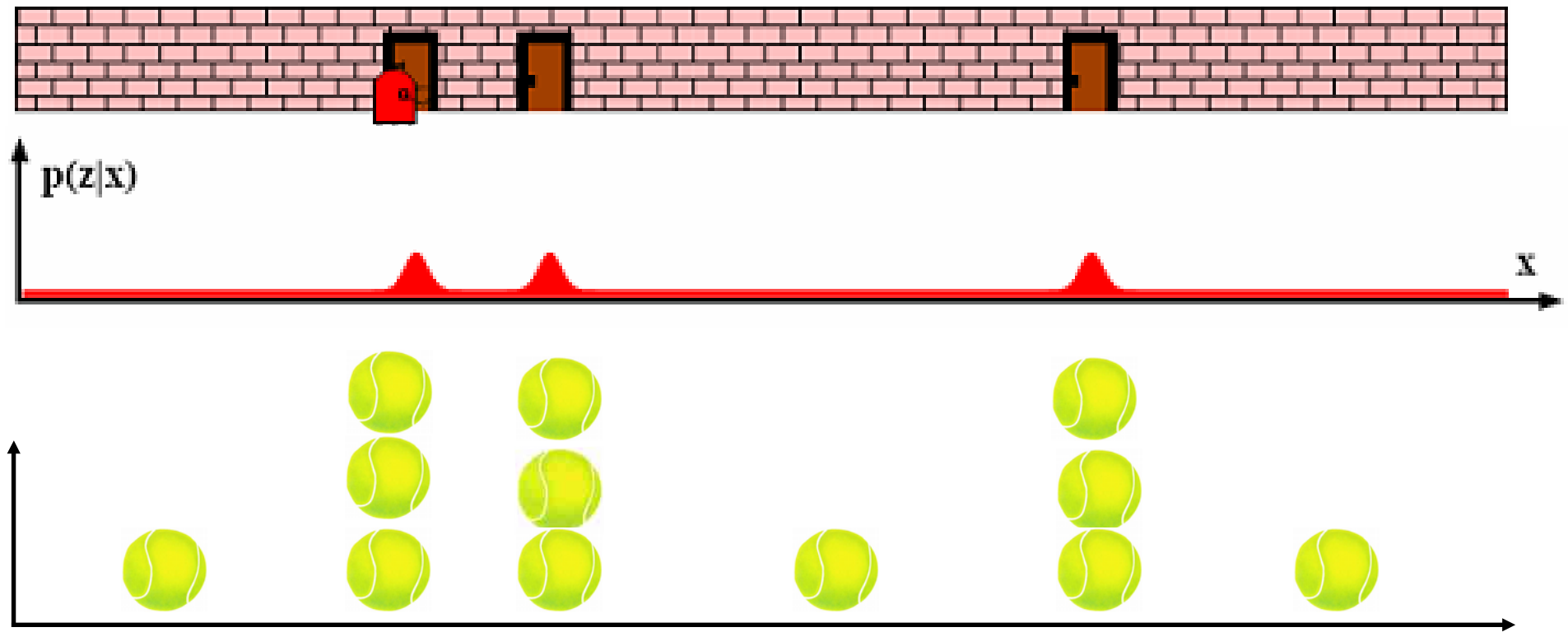


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# Resampling Rules



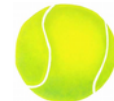
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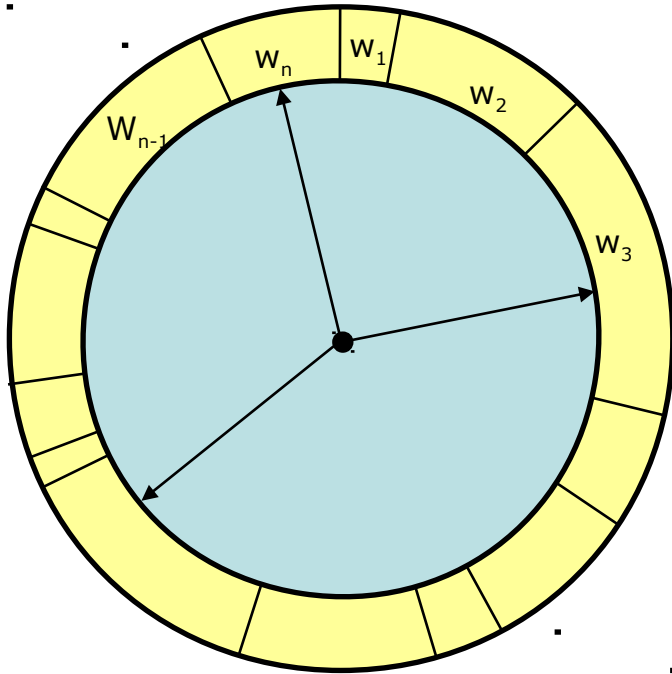
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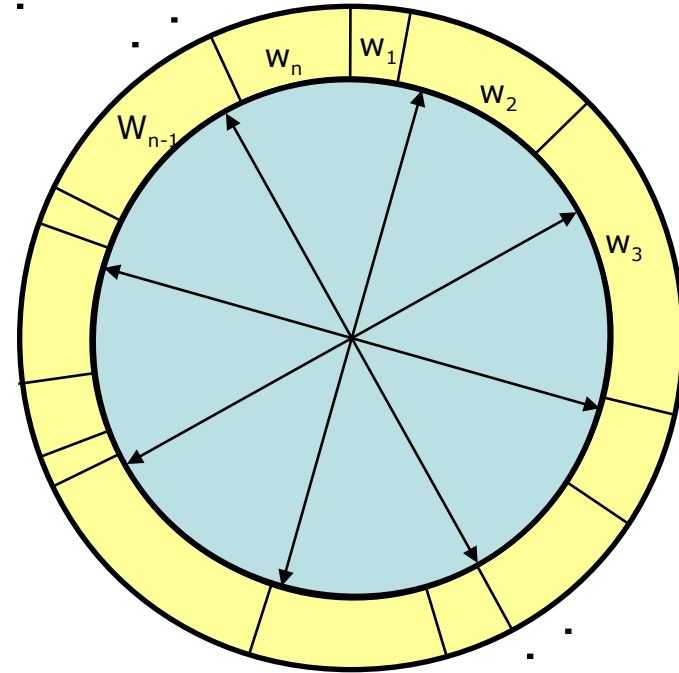
# Resampling

- **Given**: Set  $S$  of weighted samples.
- **Wanted** : Random sample, where the probability of drawing  $x_i$  is given by  $w_i$ .
- Typically done  $n$  times with replacement to generate new sample set  $S'$ .

# Roulette wheel Resampling



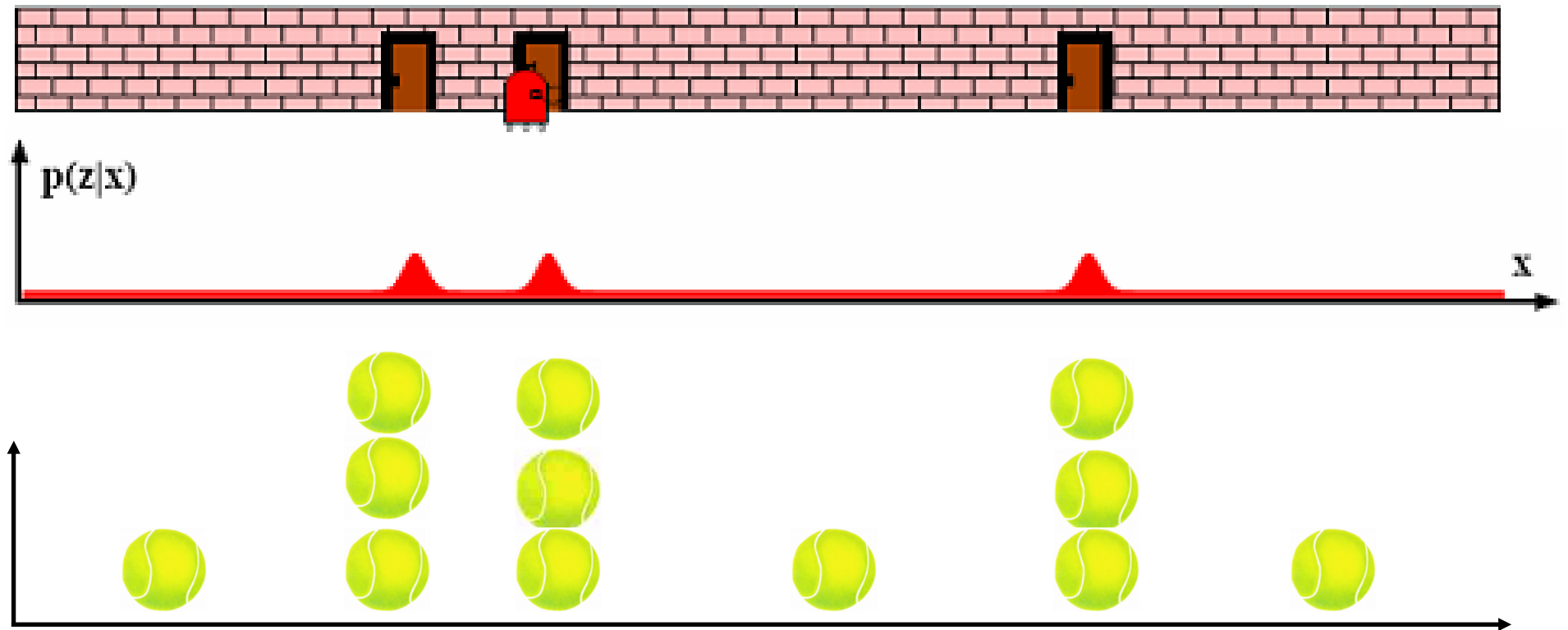
- Roulette wheel
- Binary search,  $n \log n$



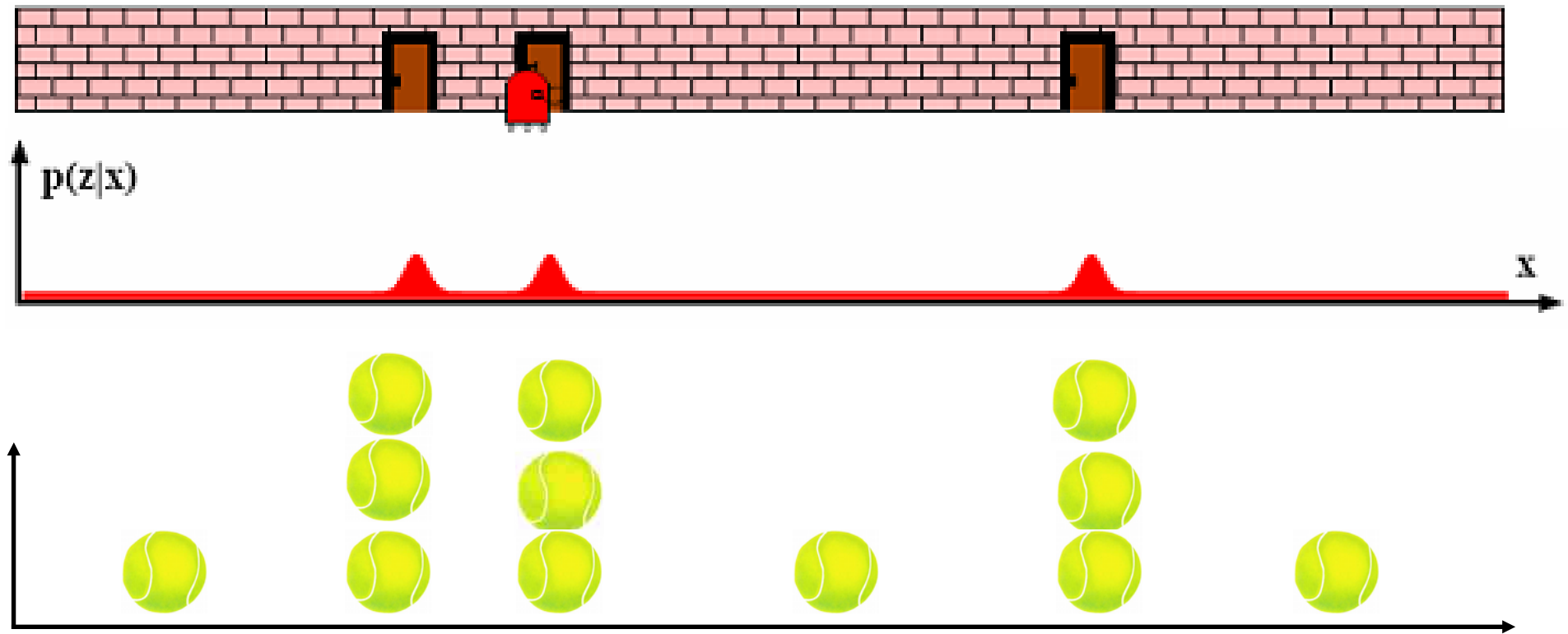
- Stochastic universal sampling
- Systematic resampling
- Linear time complexity
- Easy to implement, low variance

*[From Thrun's book "Probabilistic Robotics"]*

Next, the robot moves to the right...

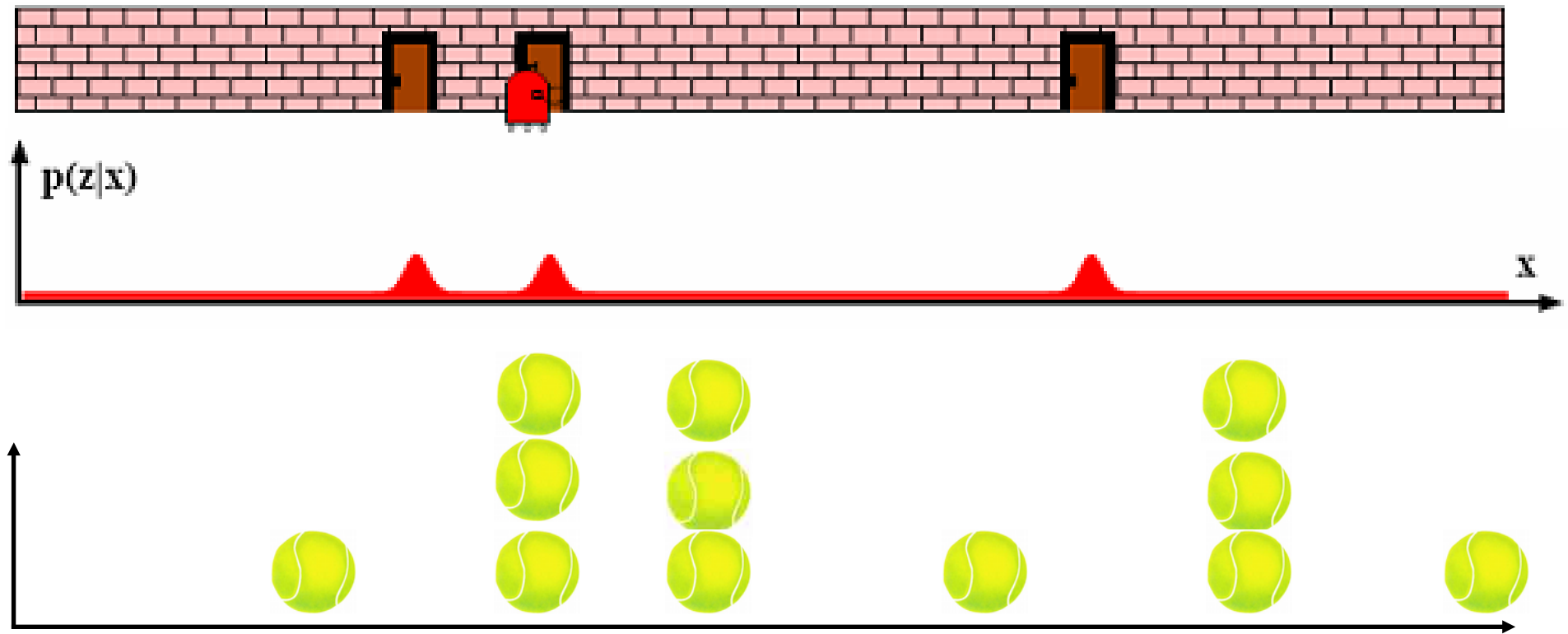


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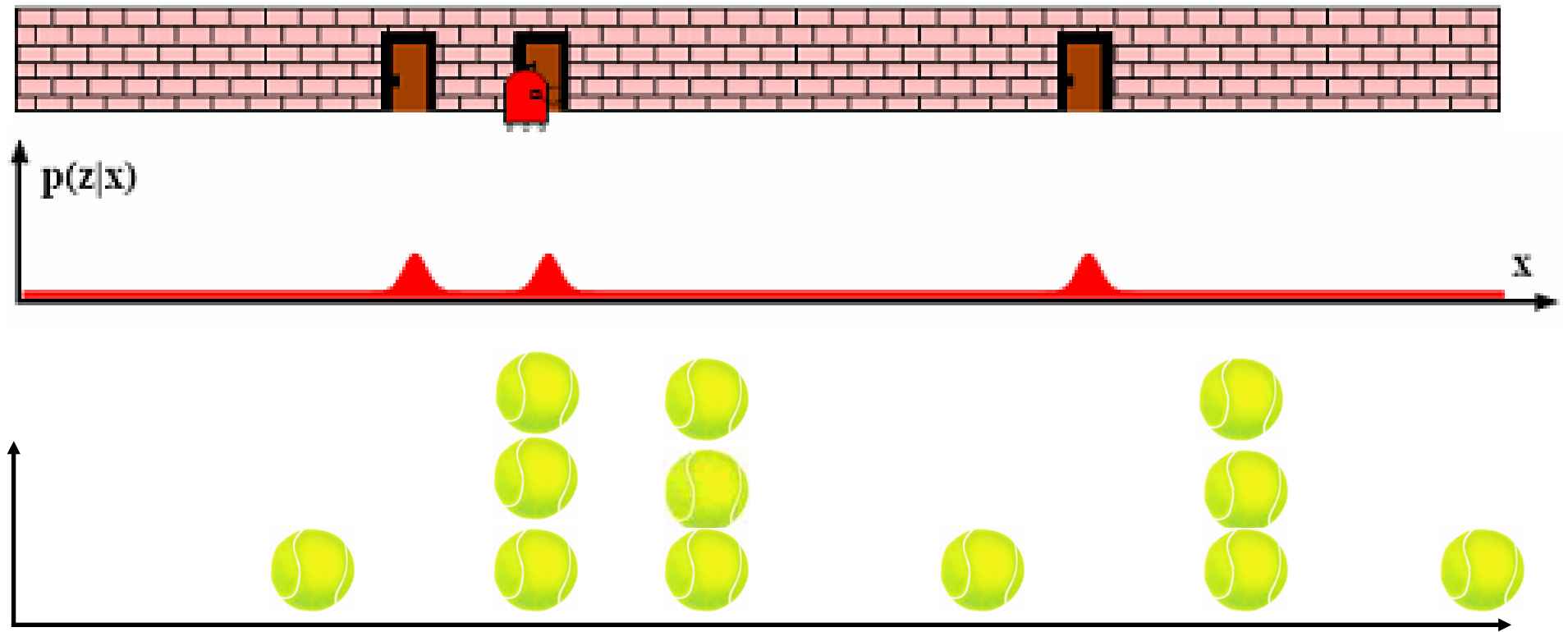




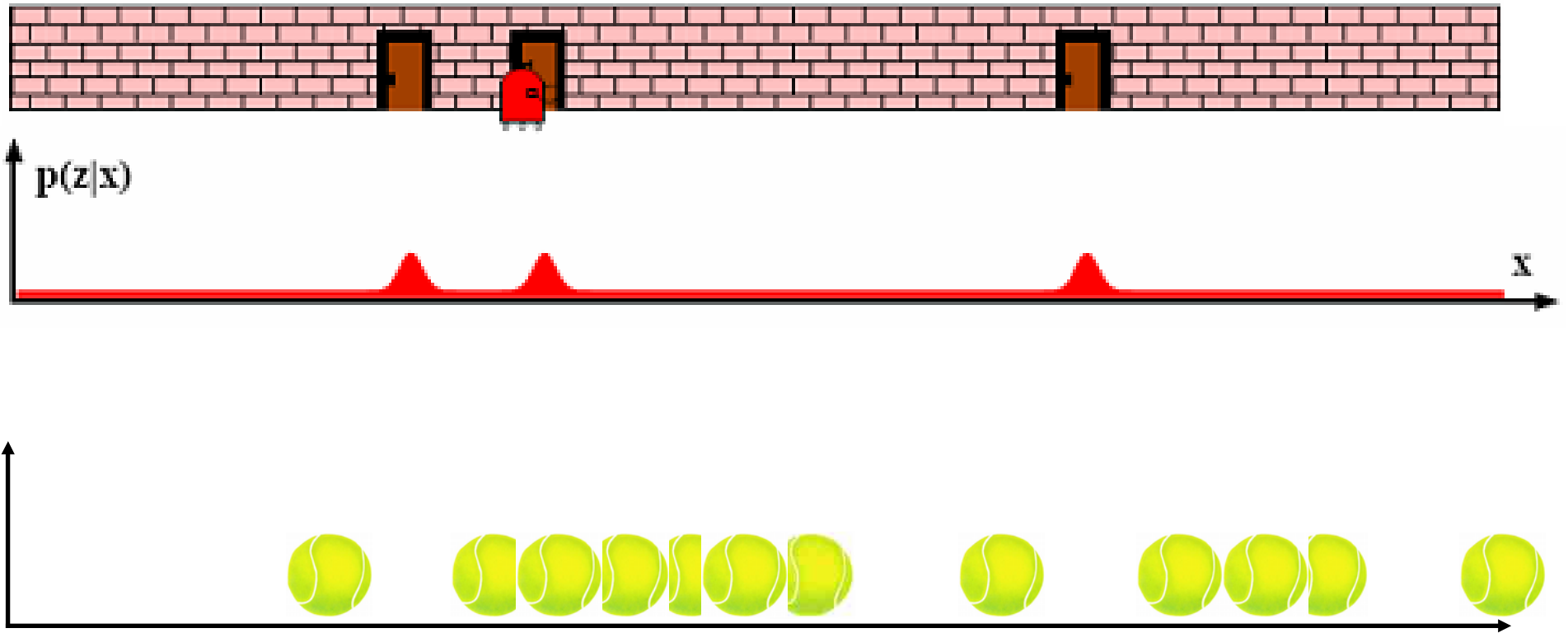
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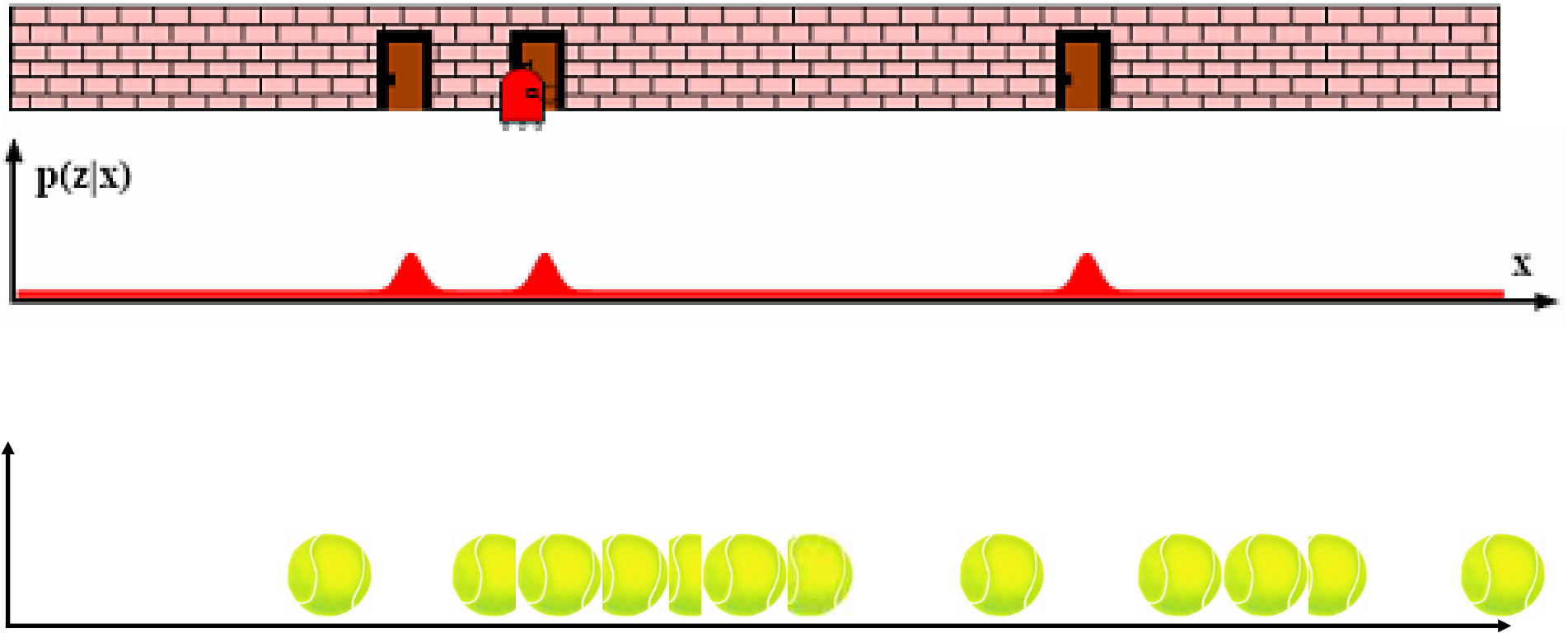
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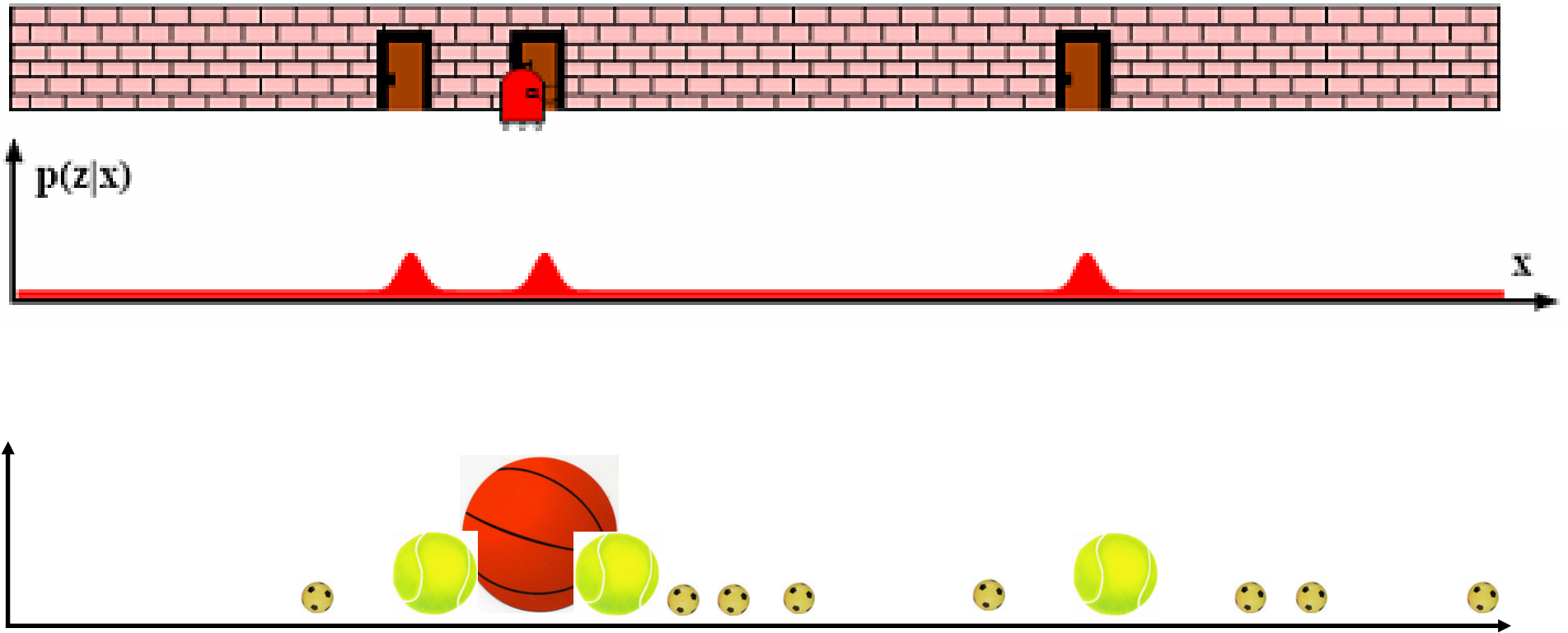
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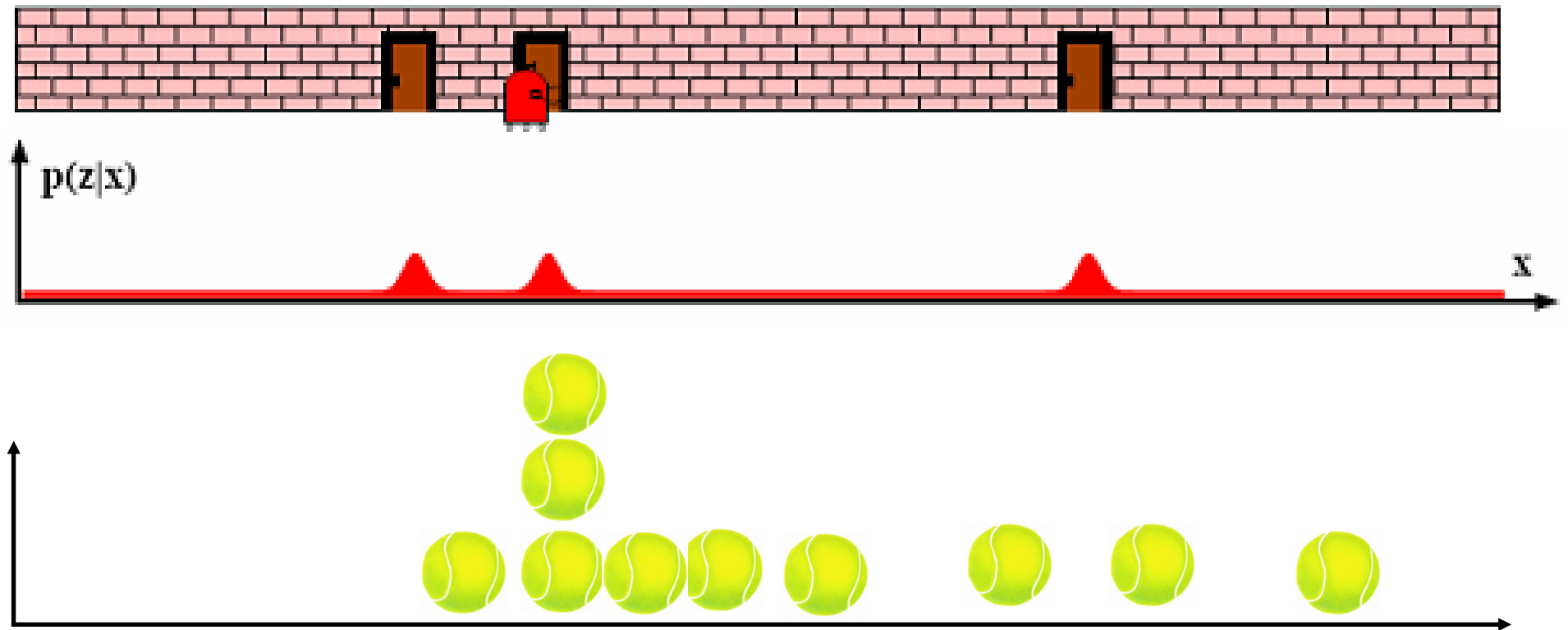
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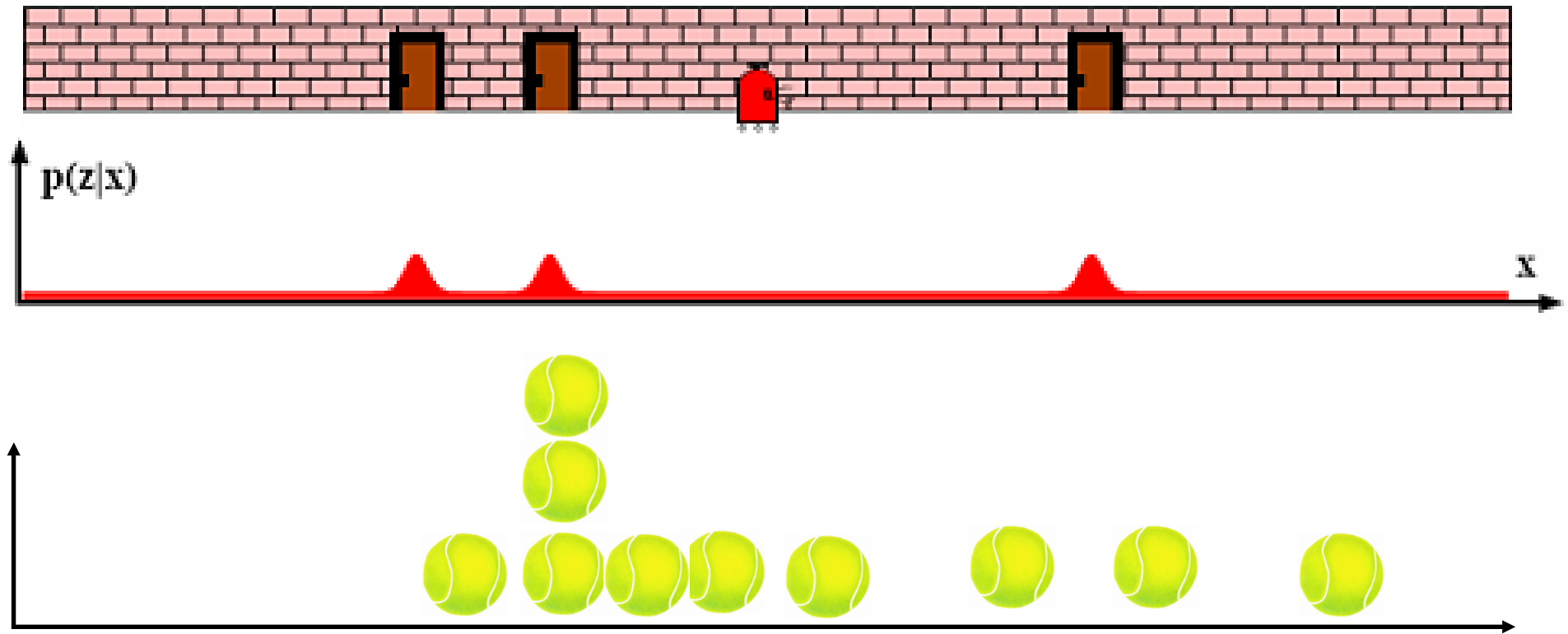
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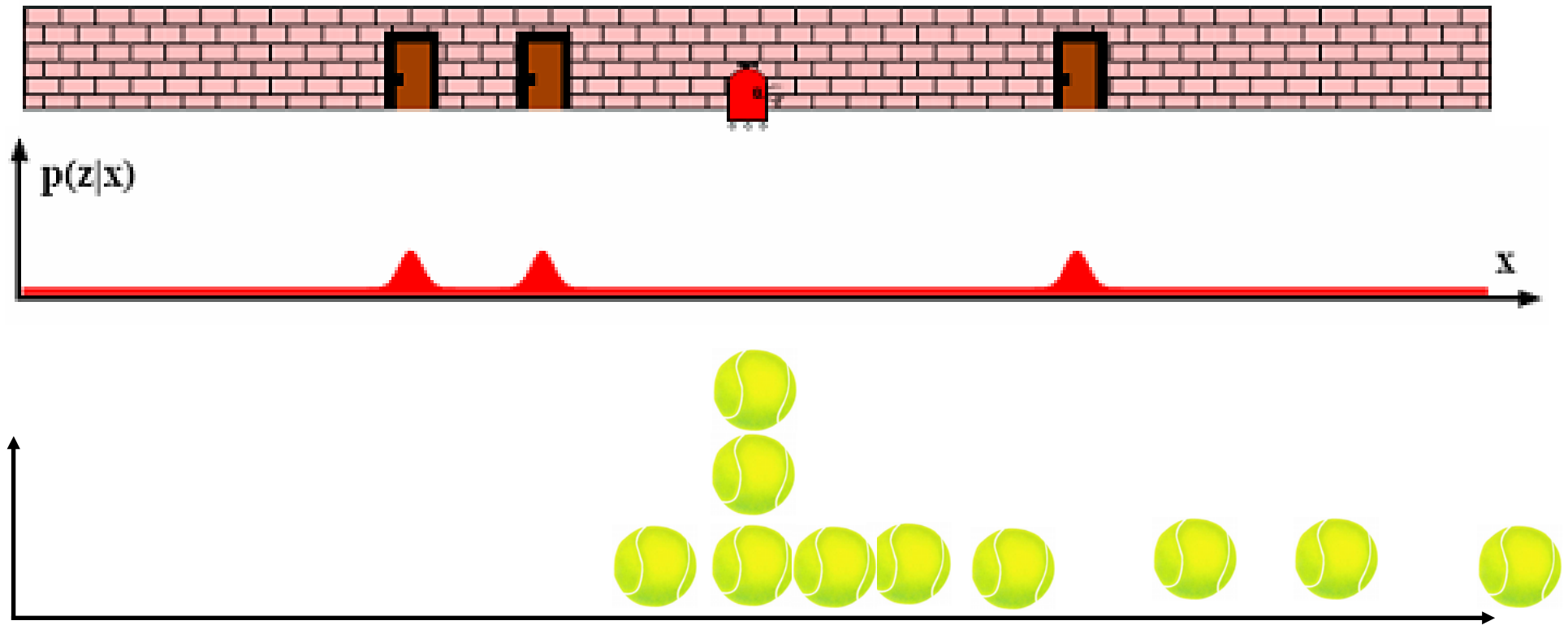
...we resample again



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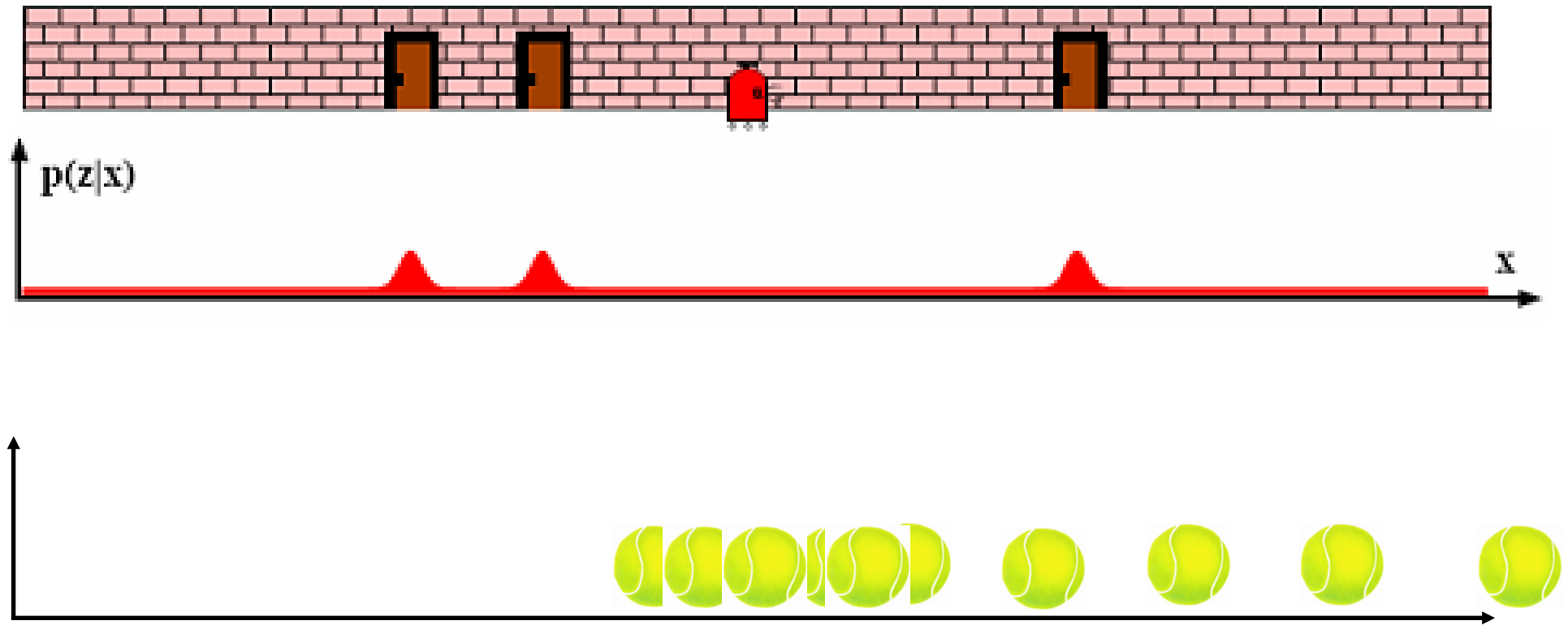


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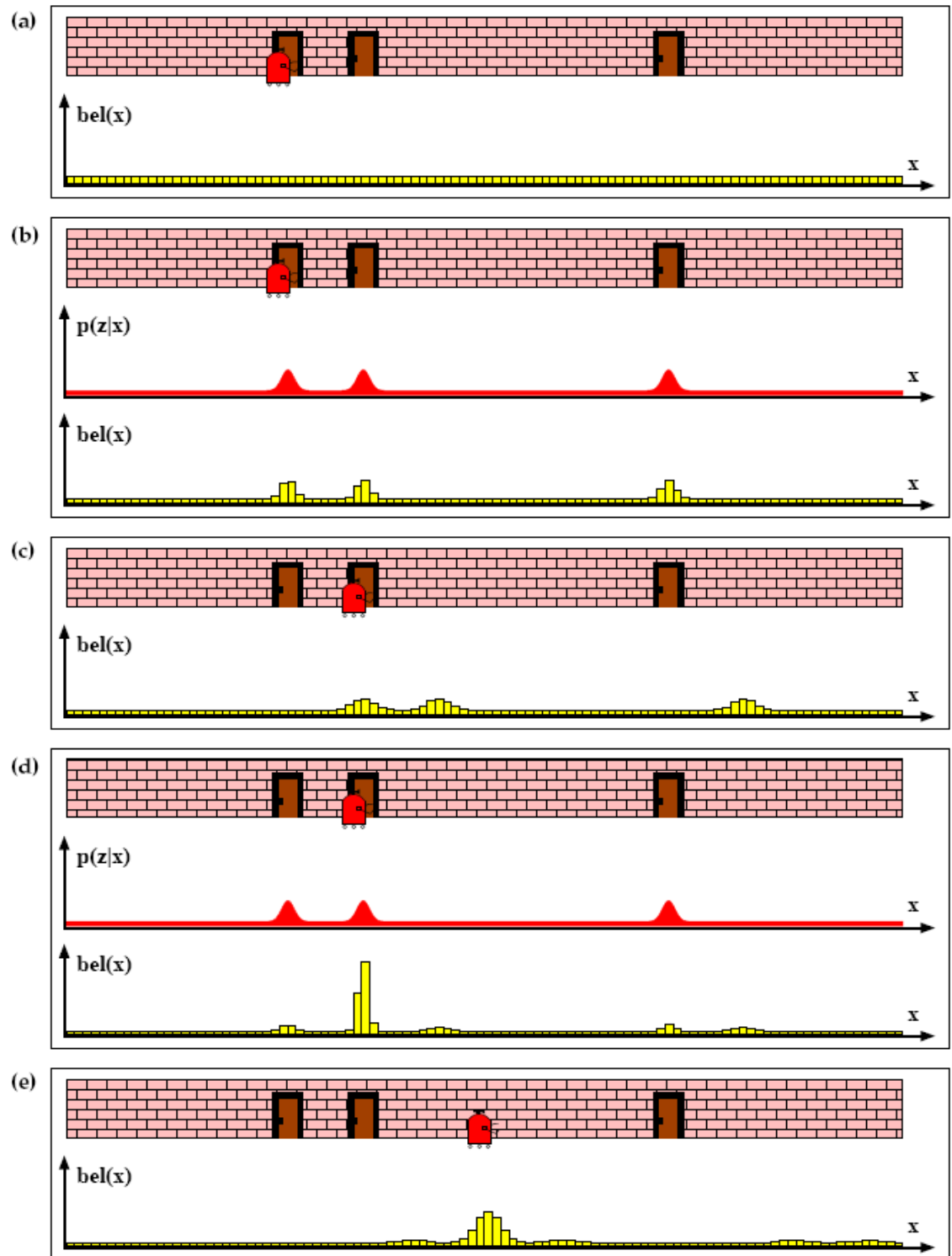
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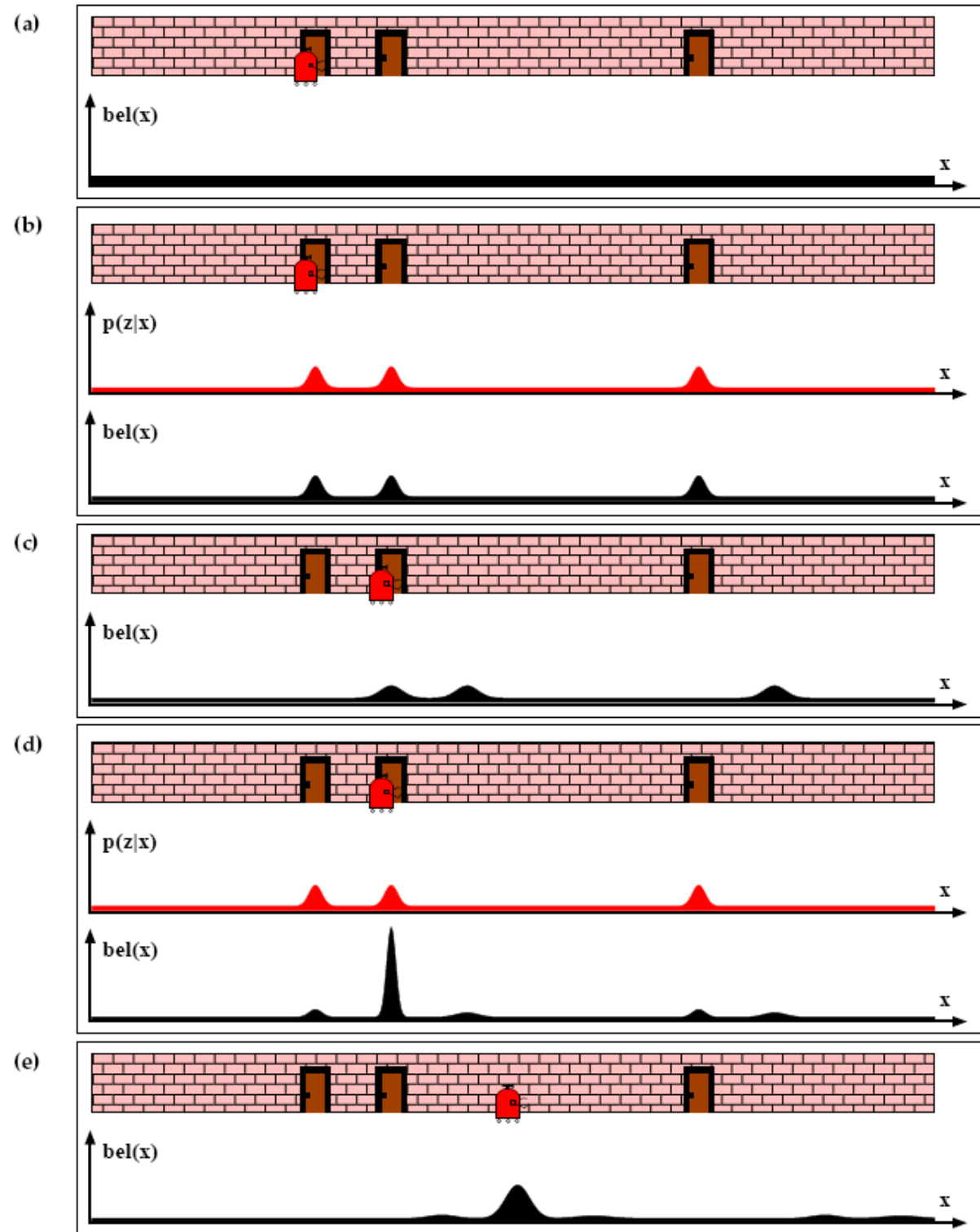
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Now, let's compare that to some of  
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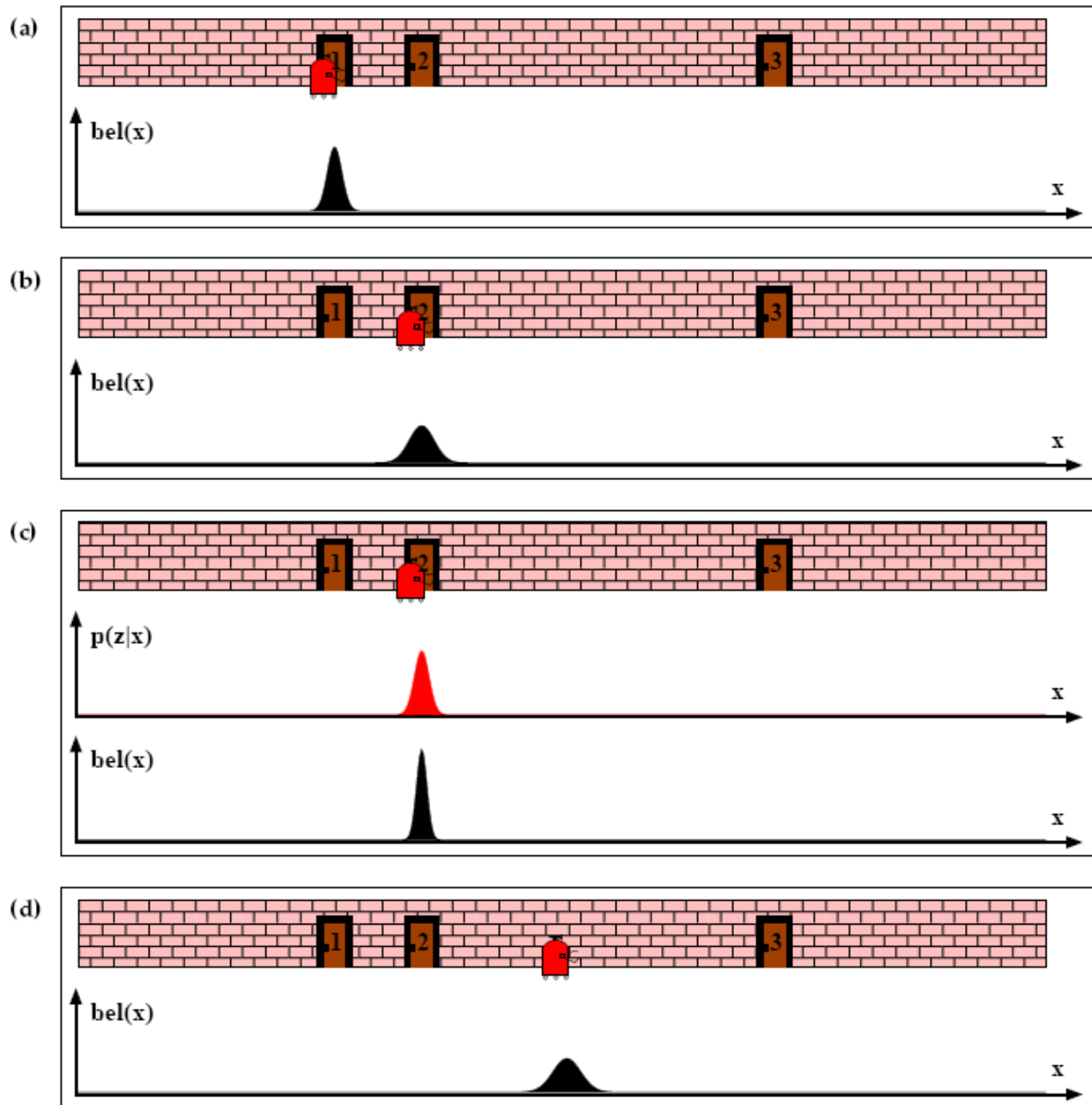
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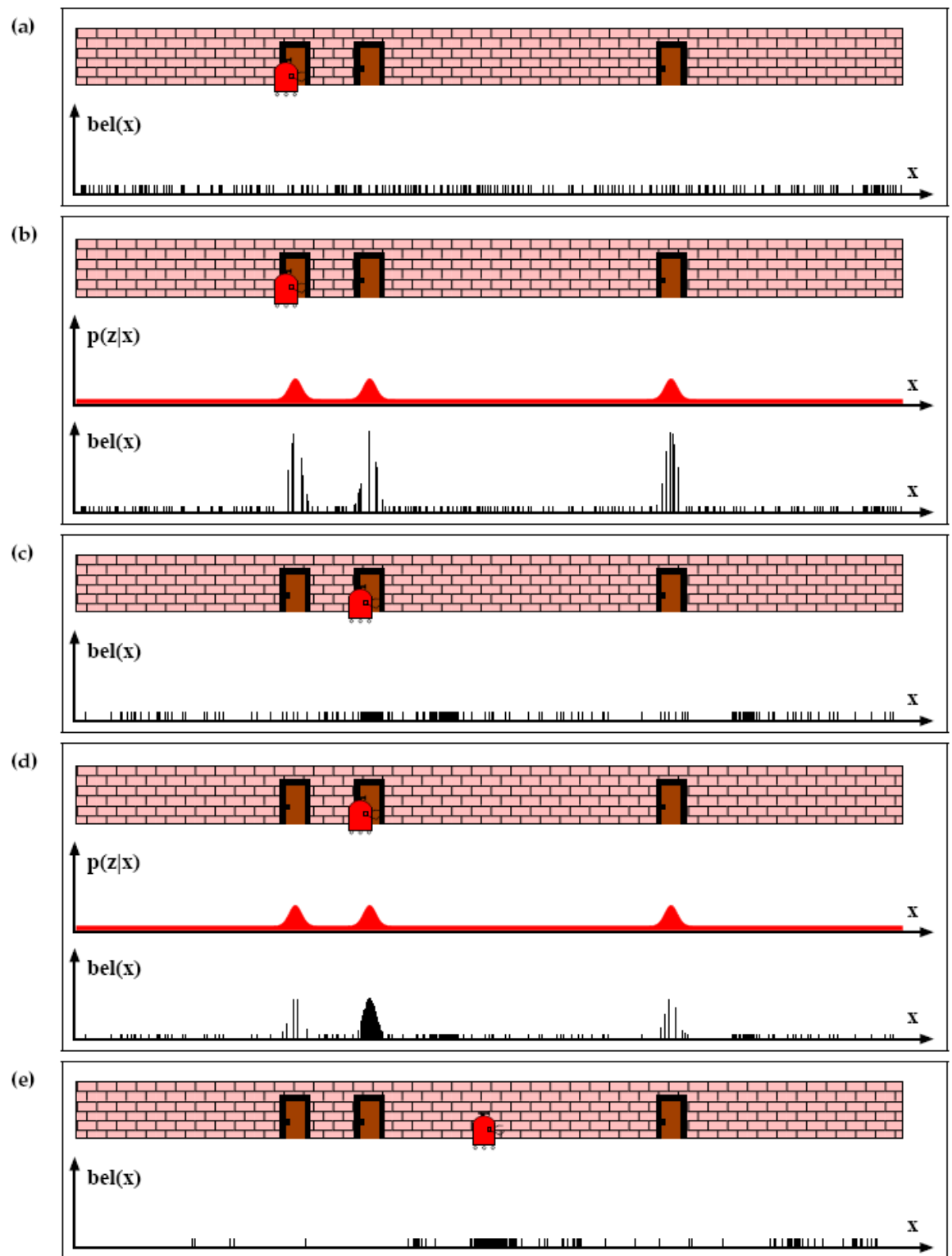
# Markov Localization



# KF



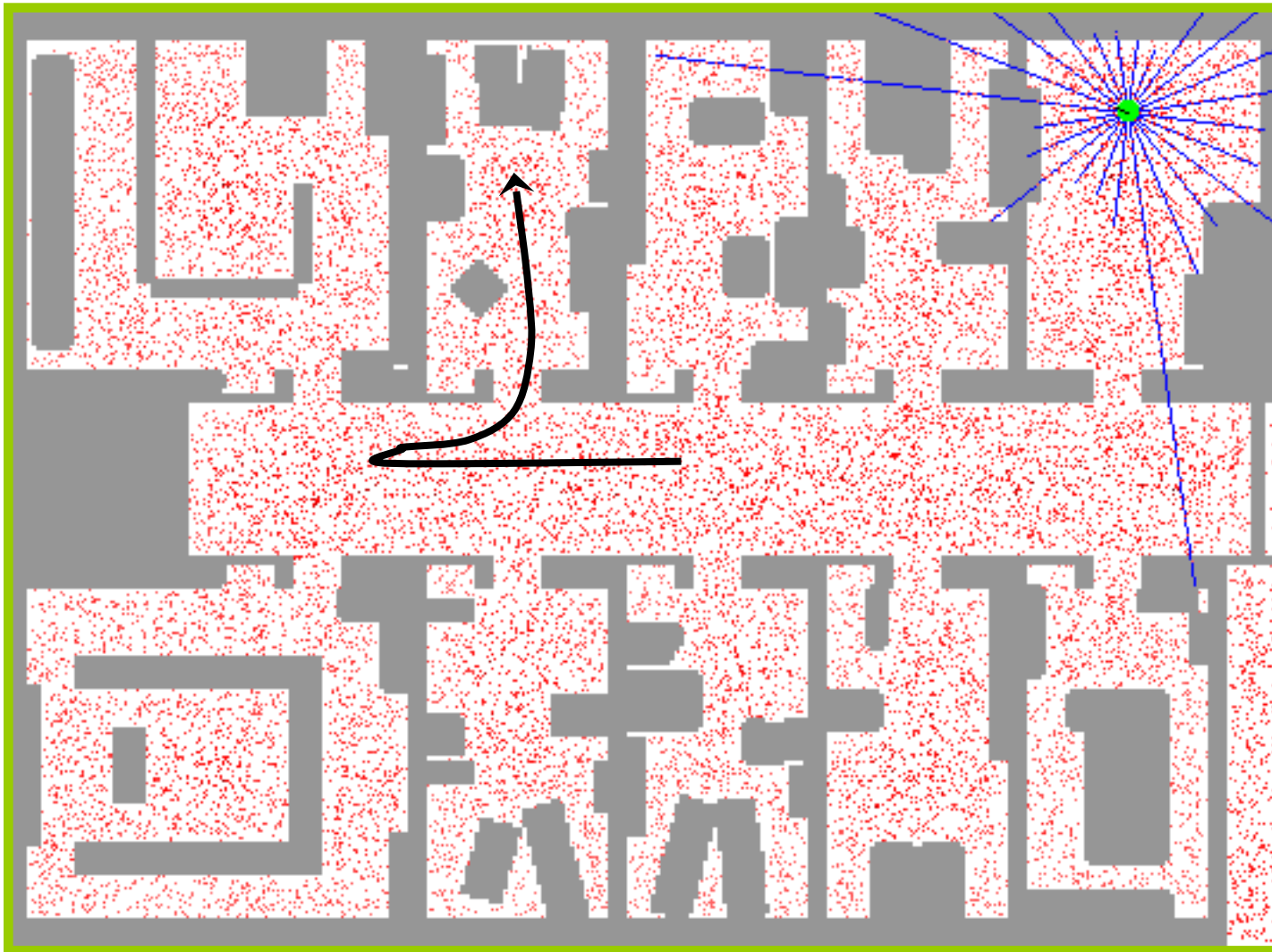
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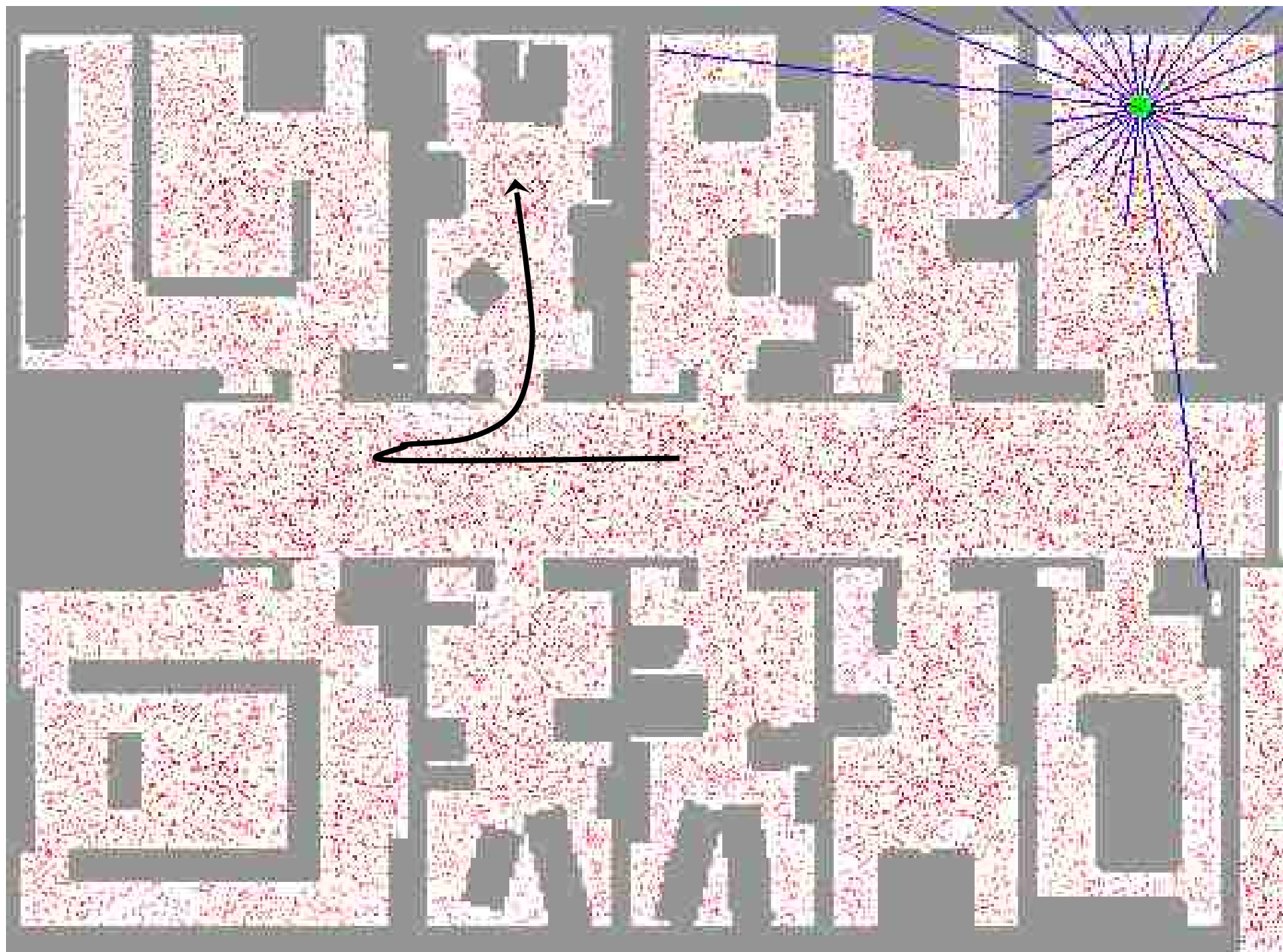


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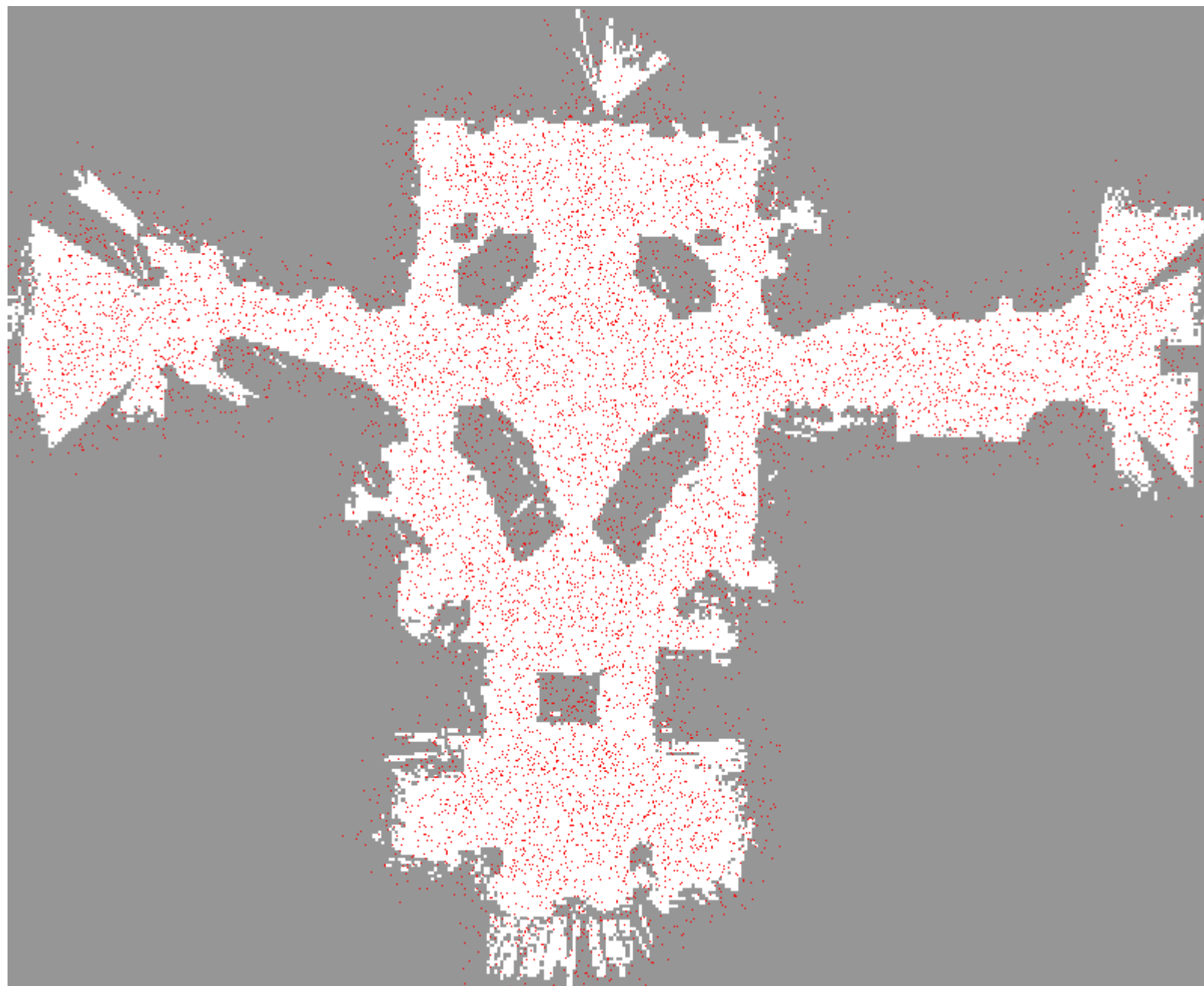


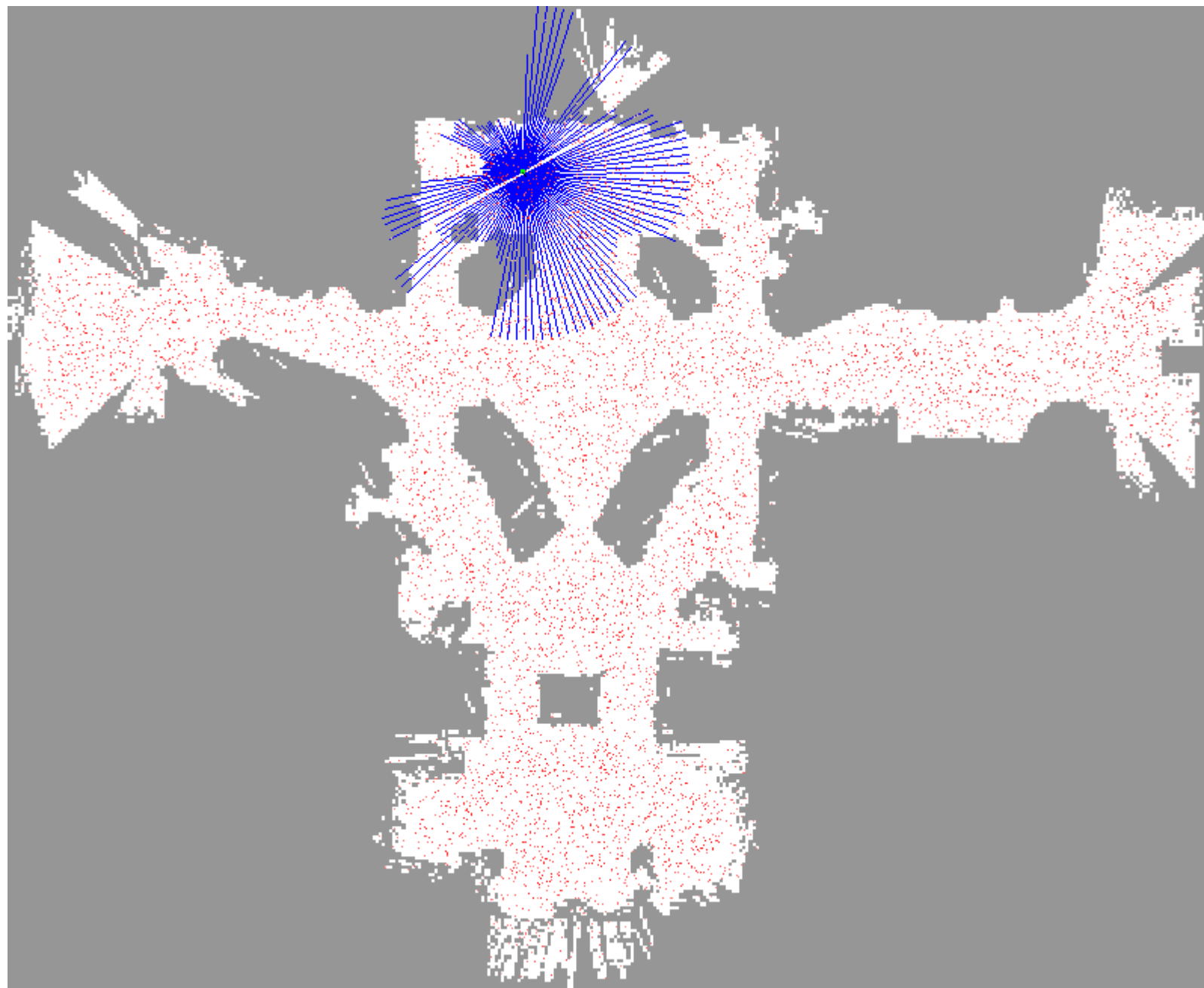
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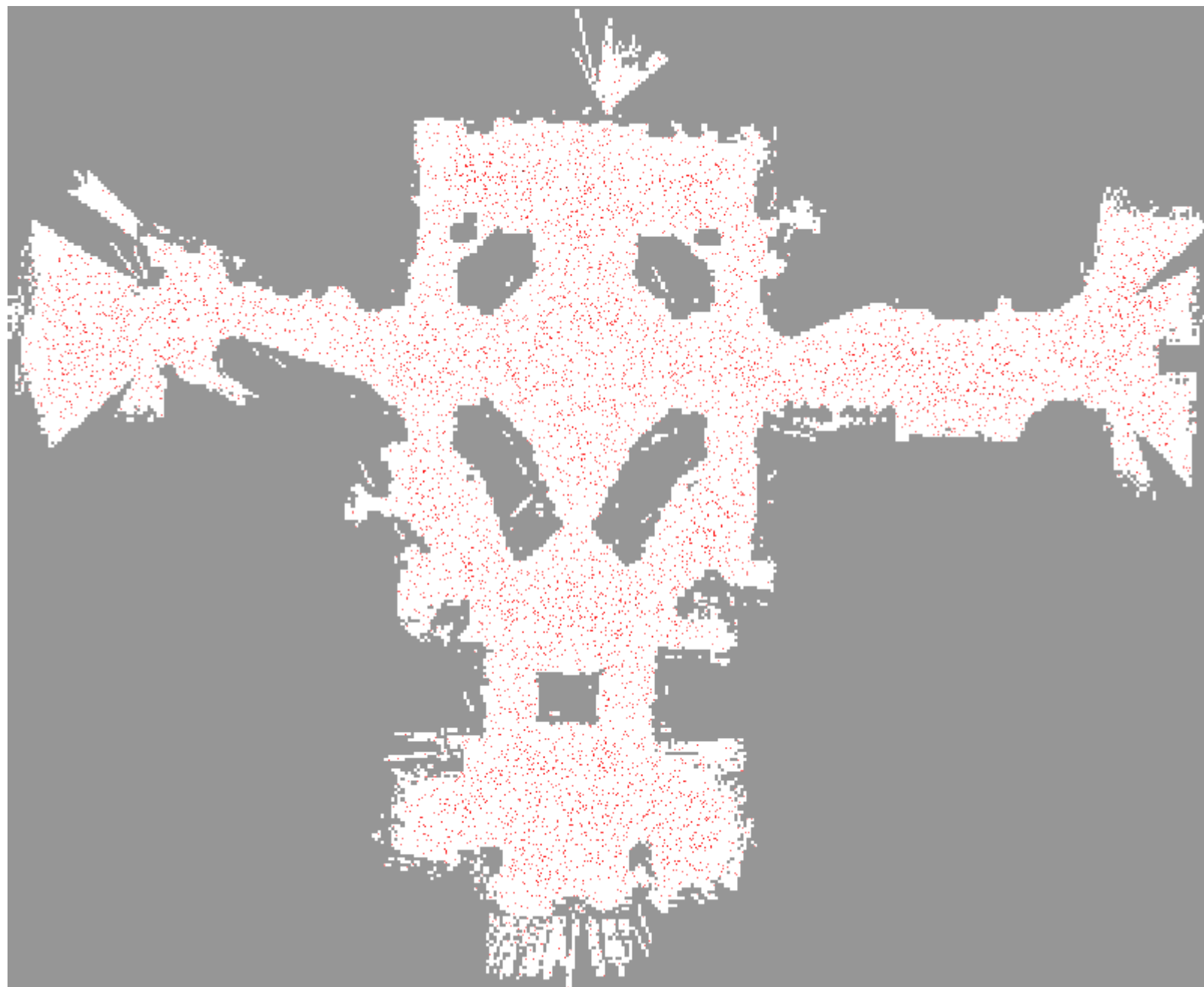


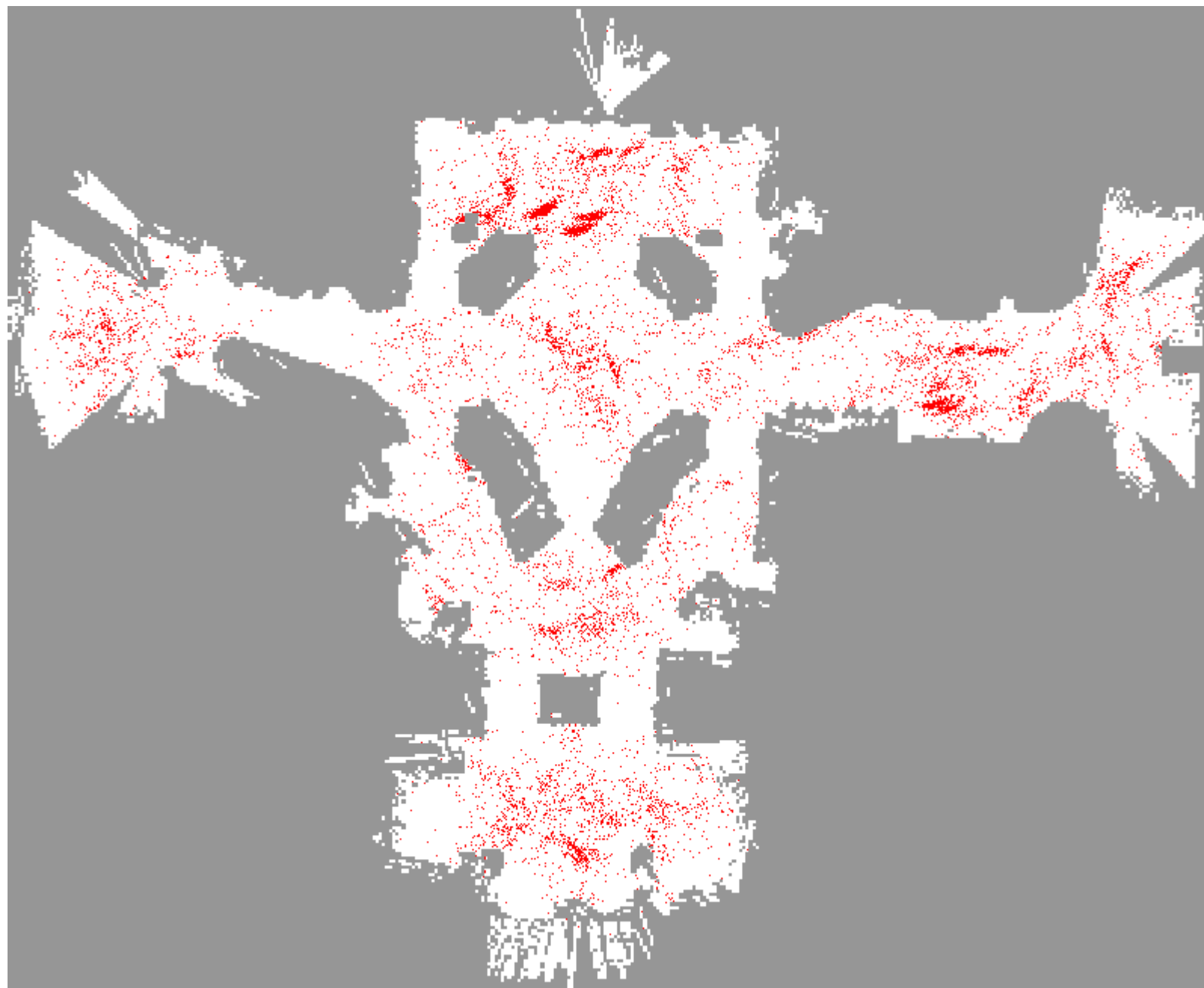


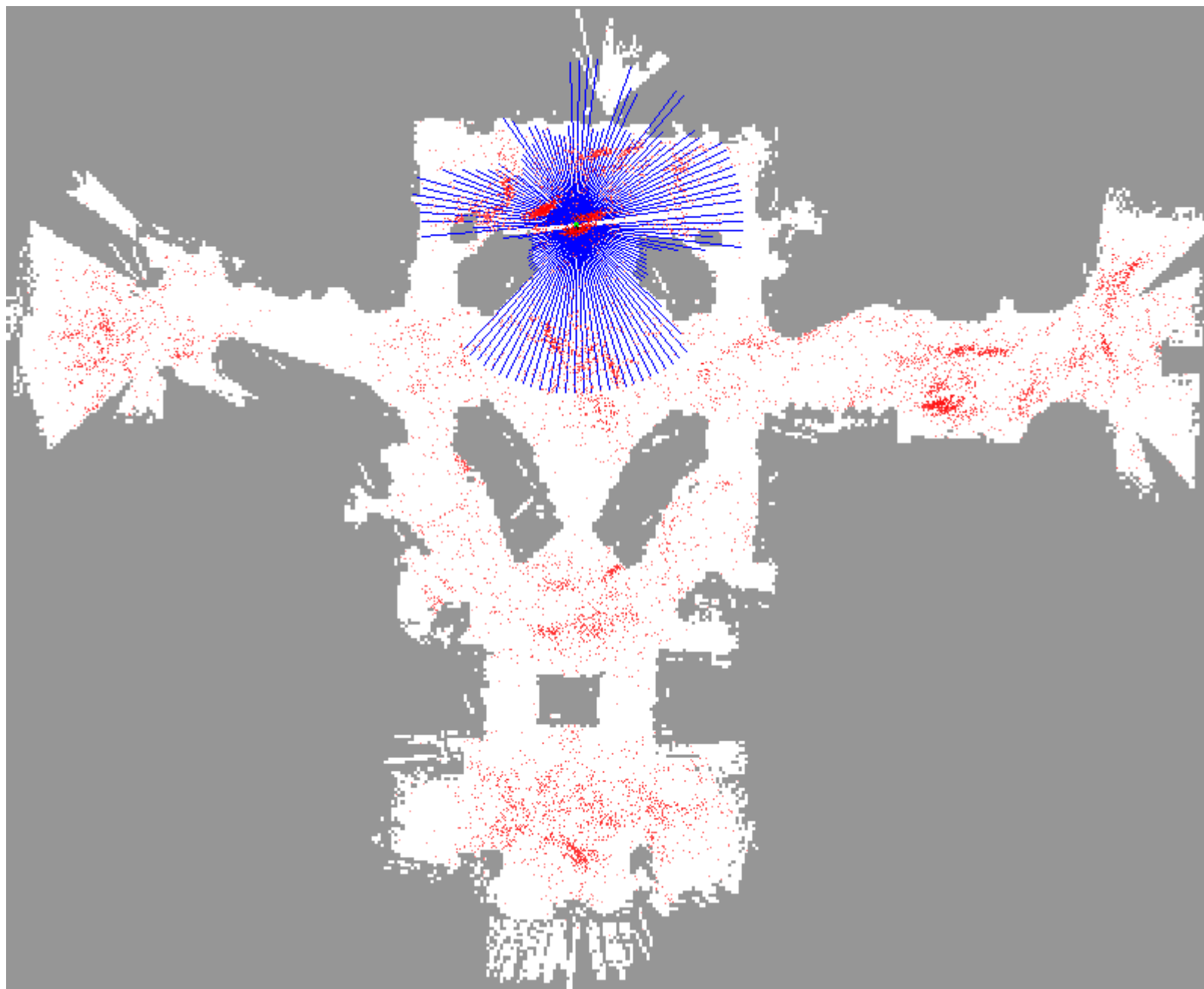




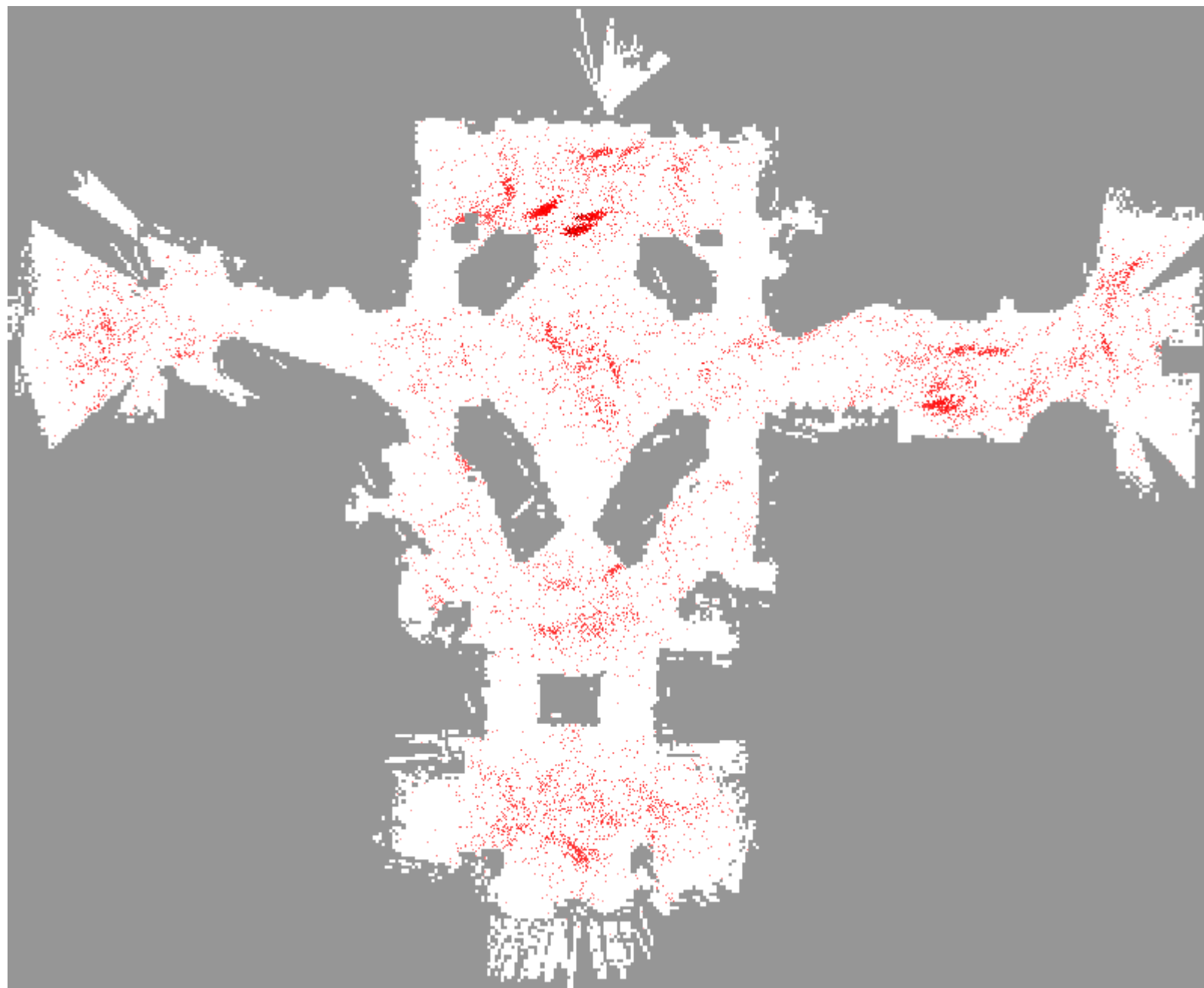


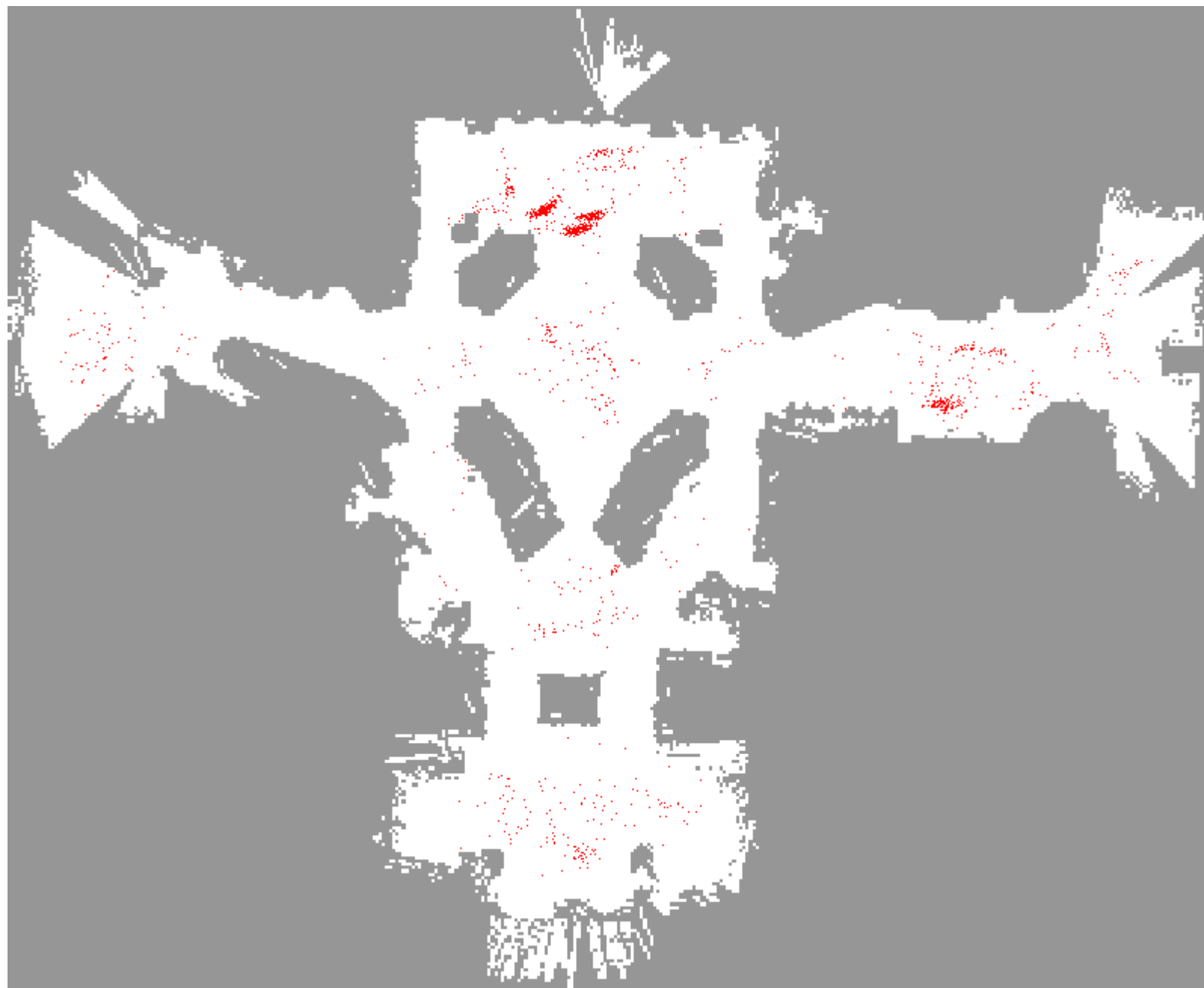


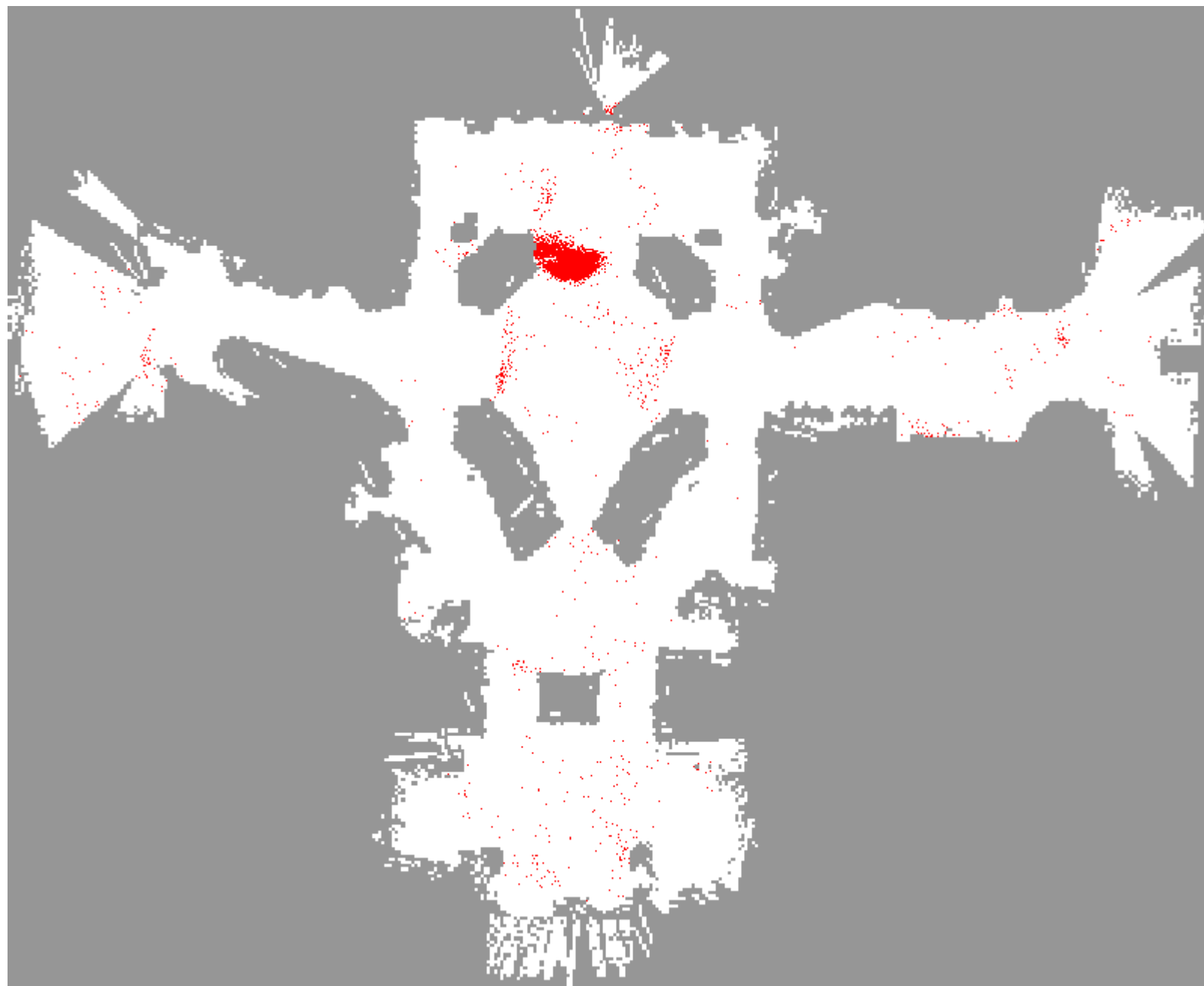


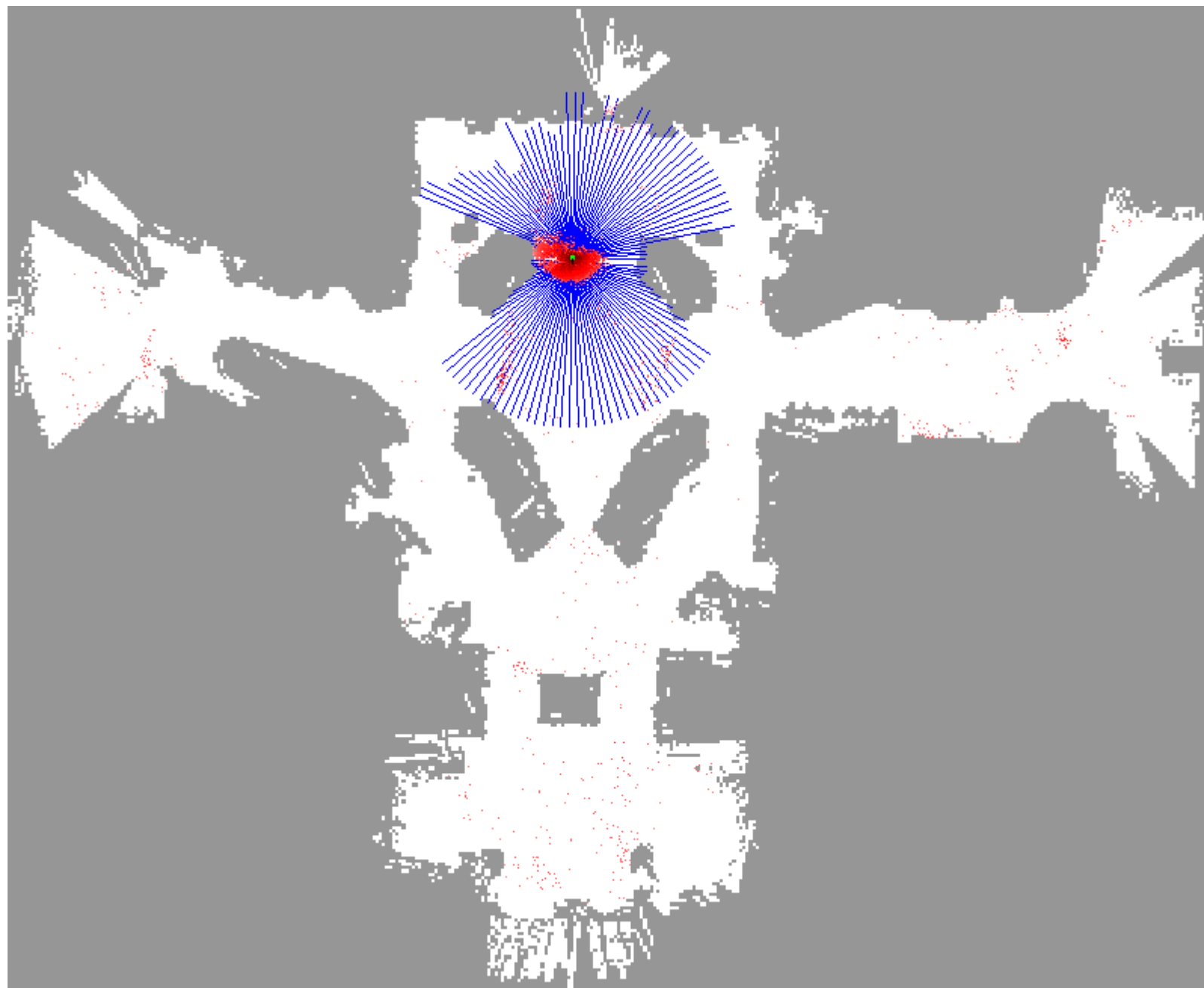




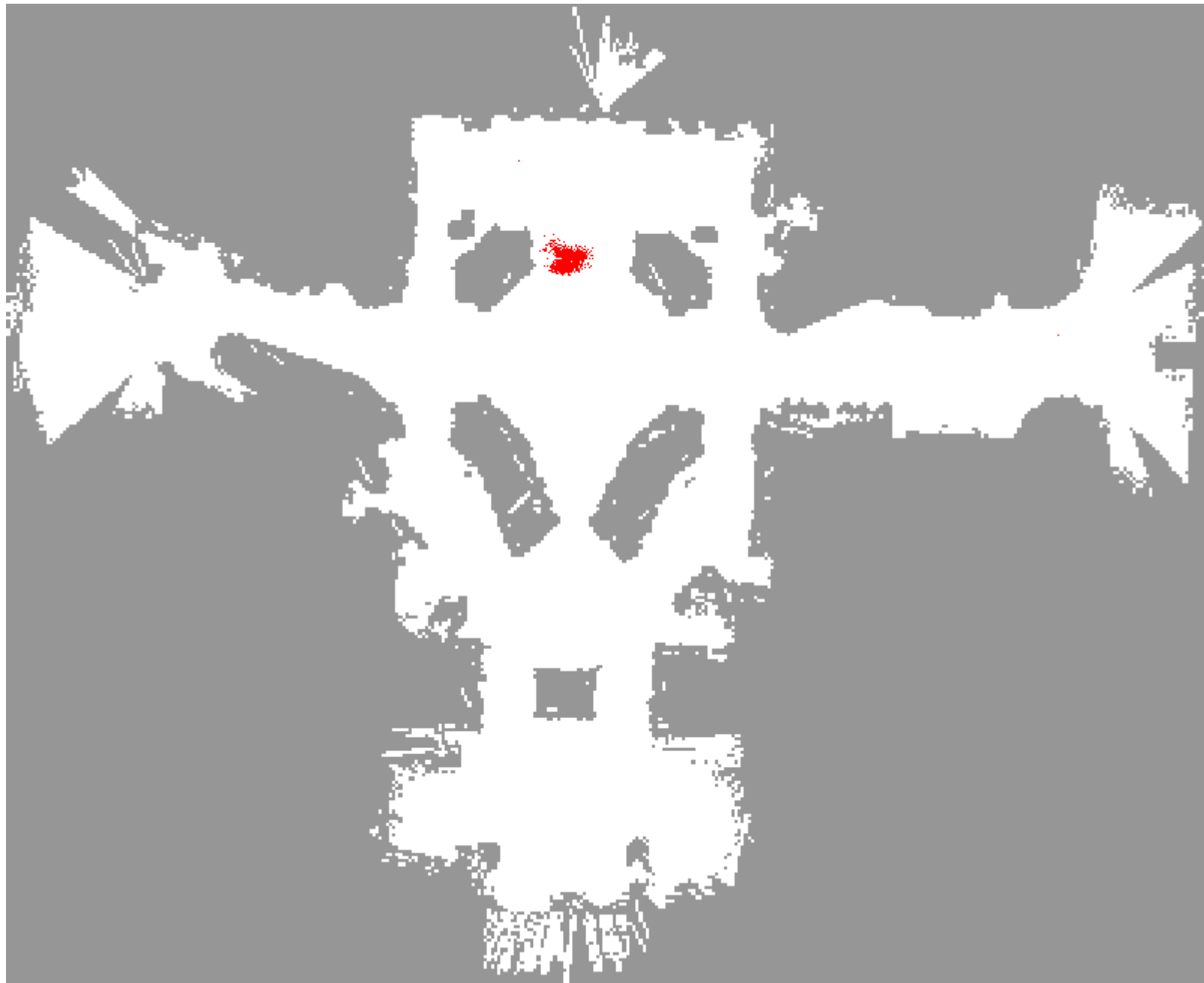


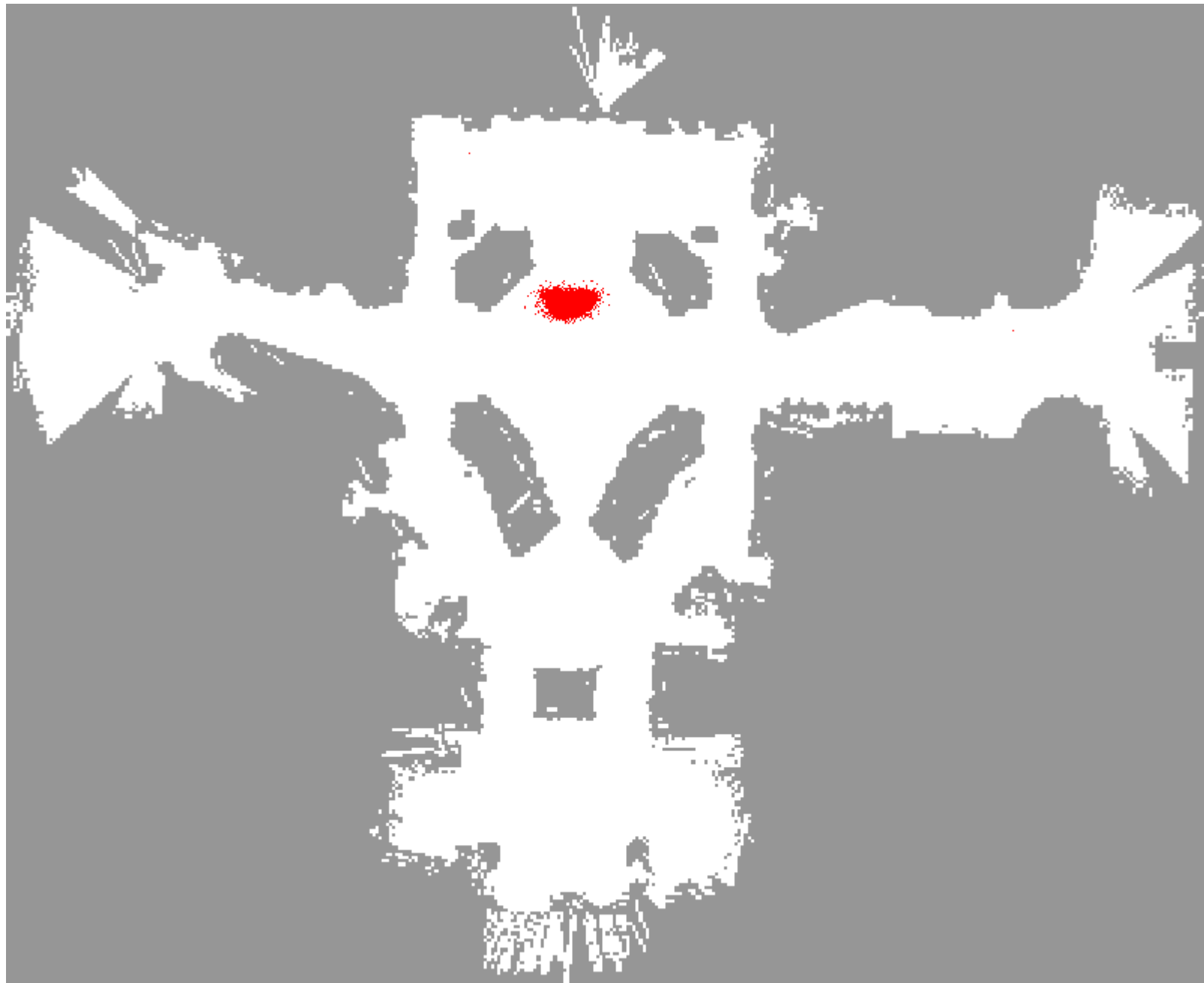


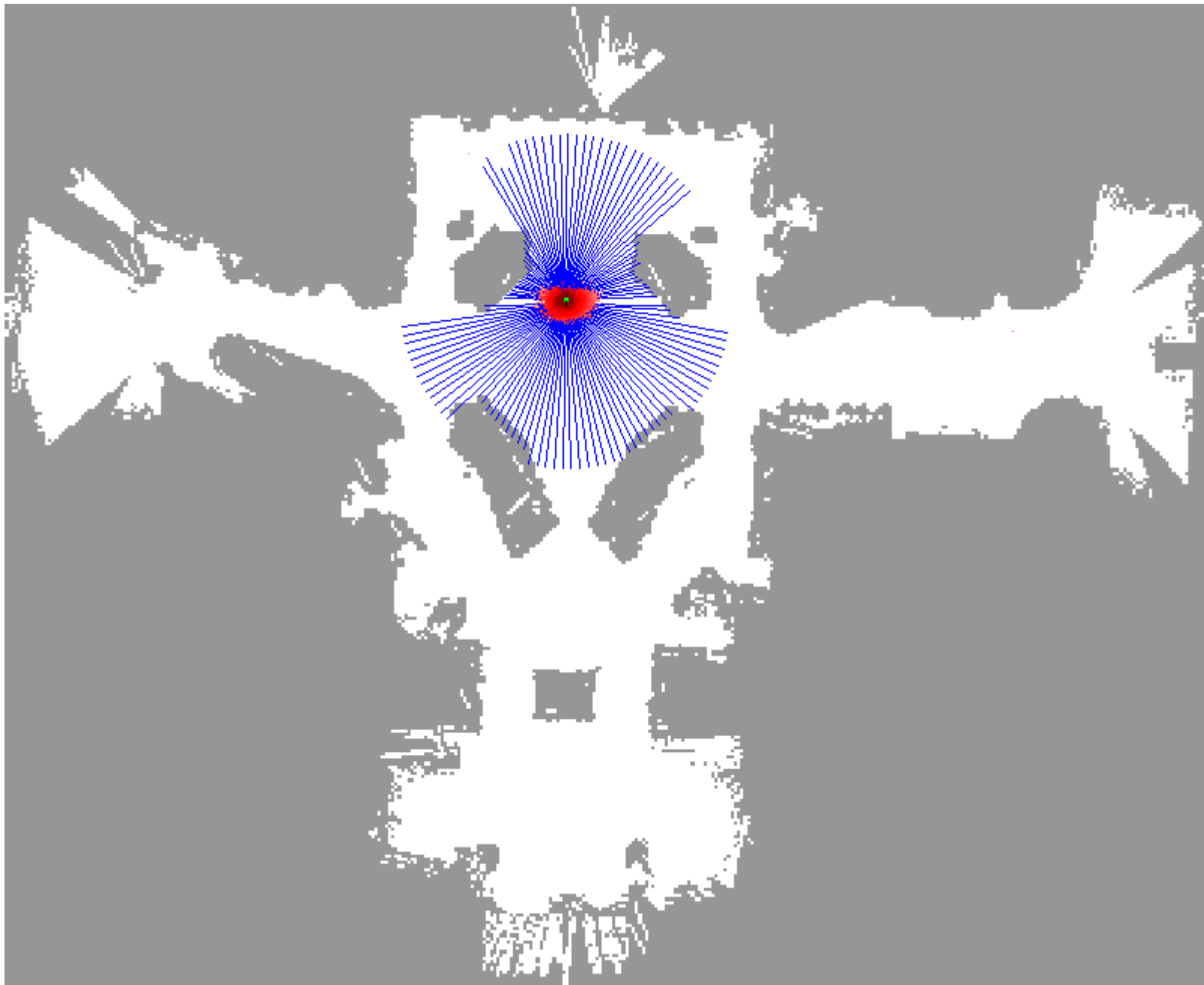




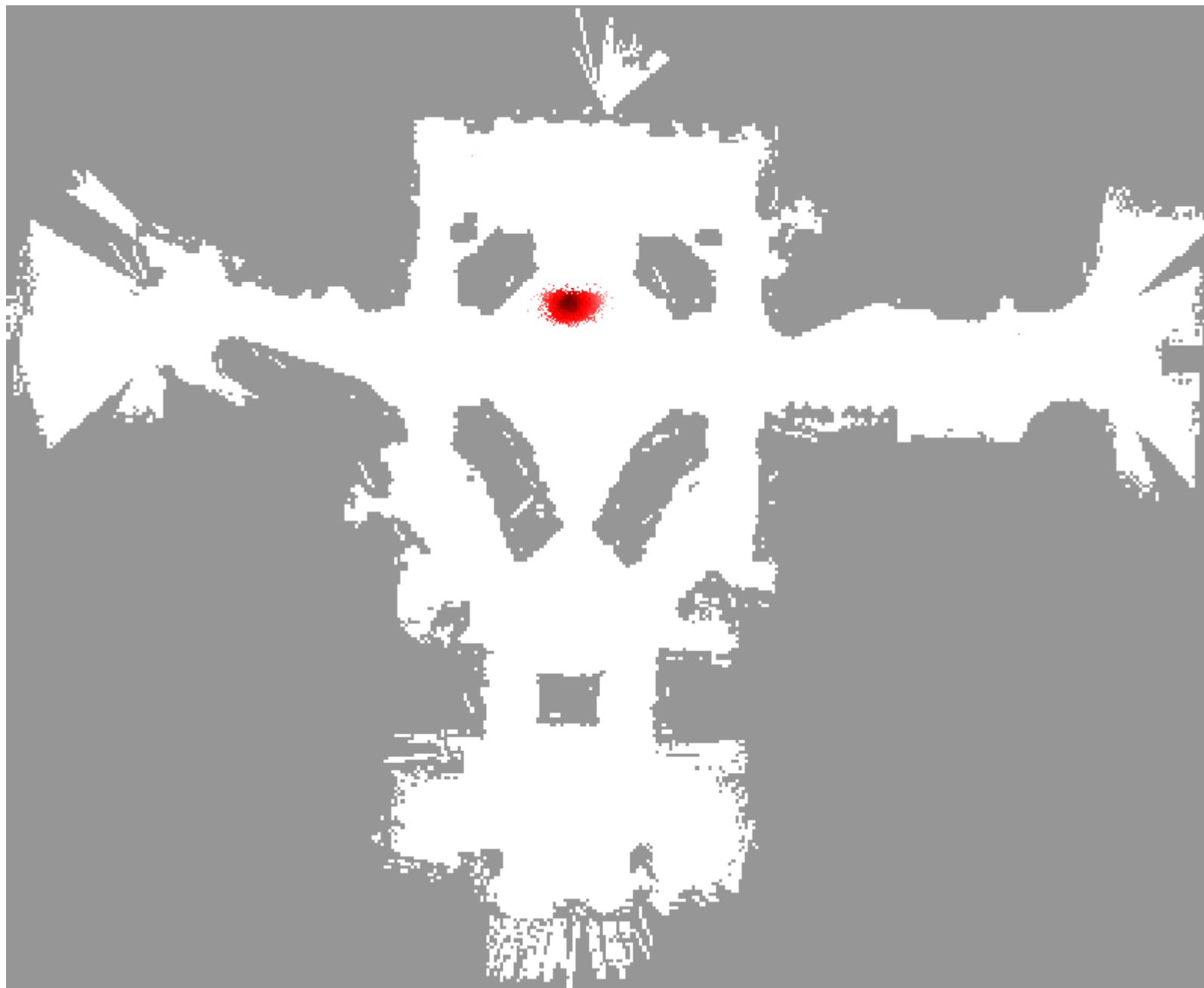


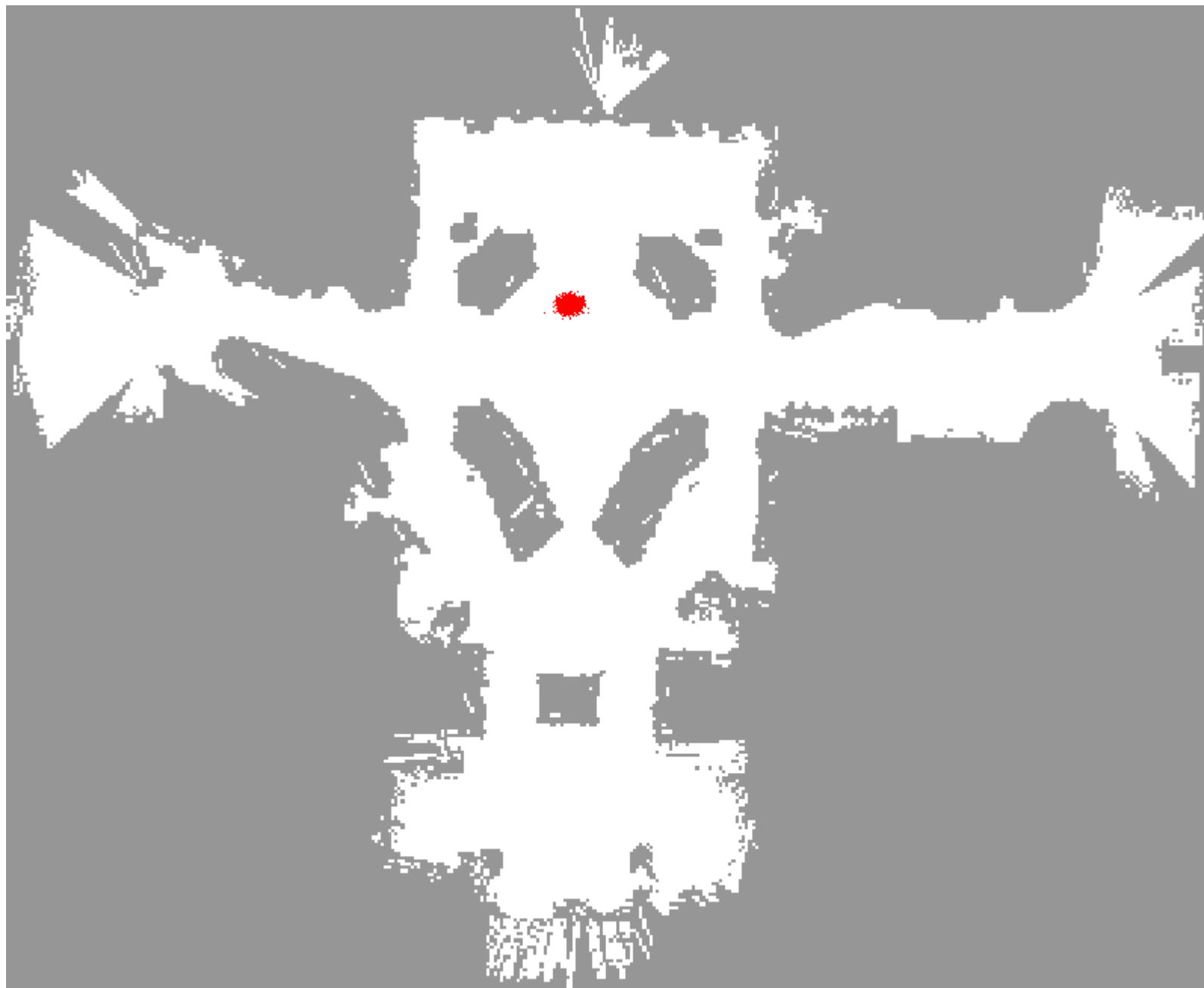




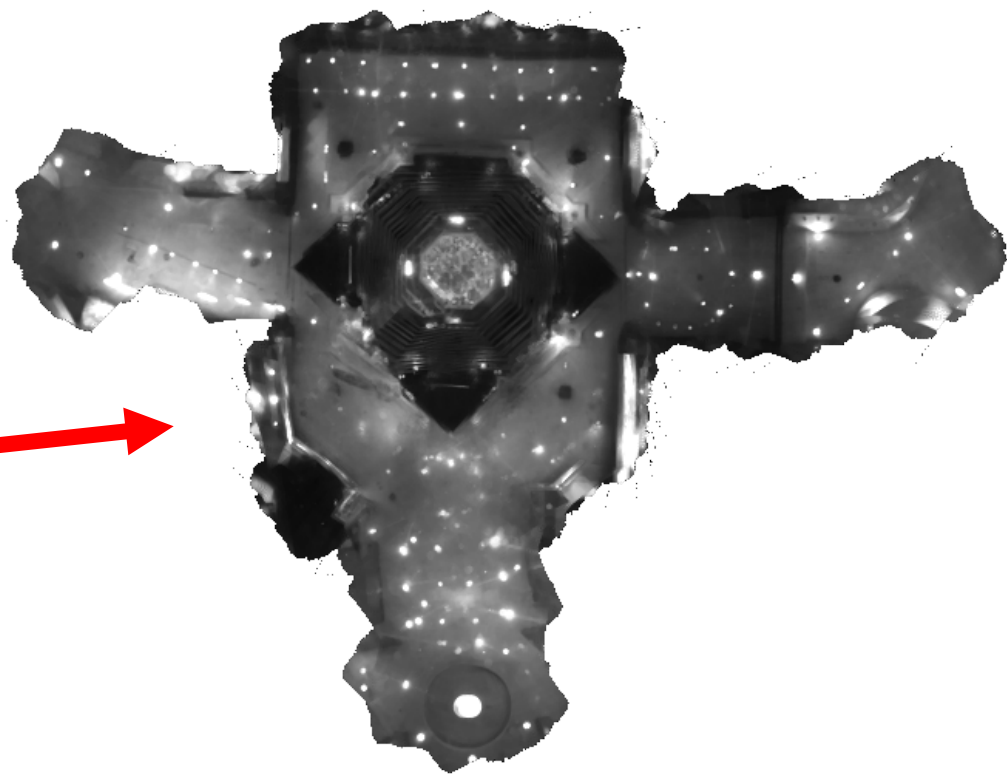




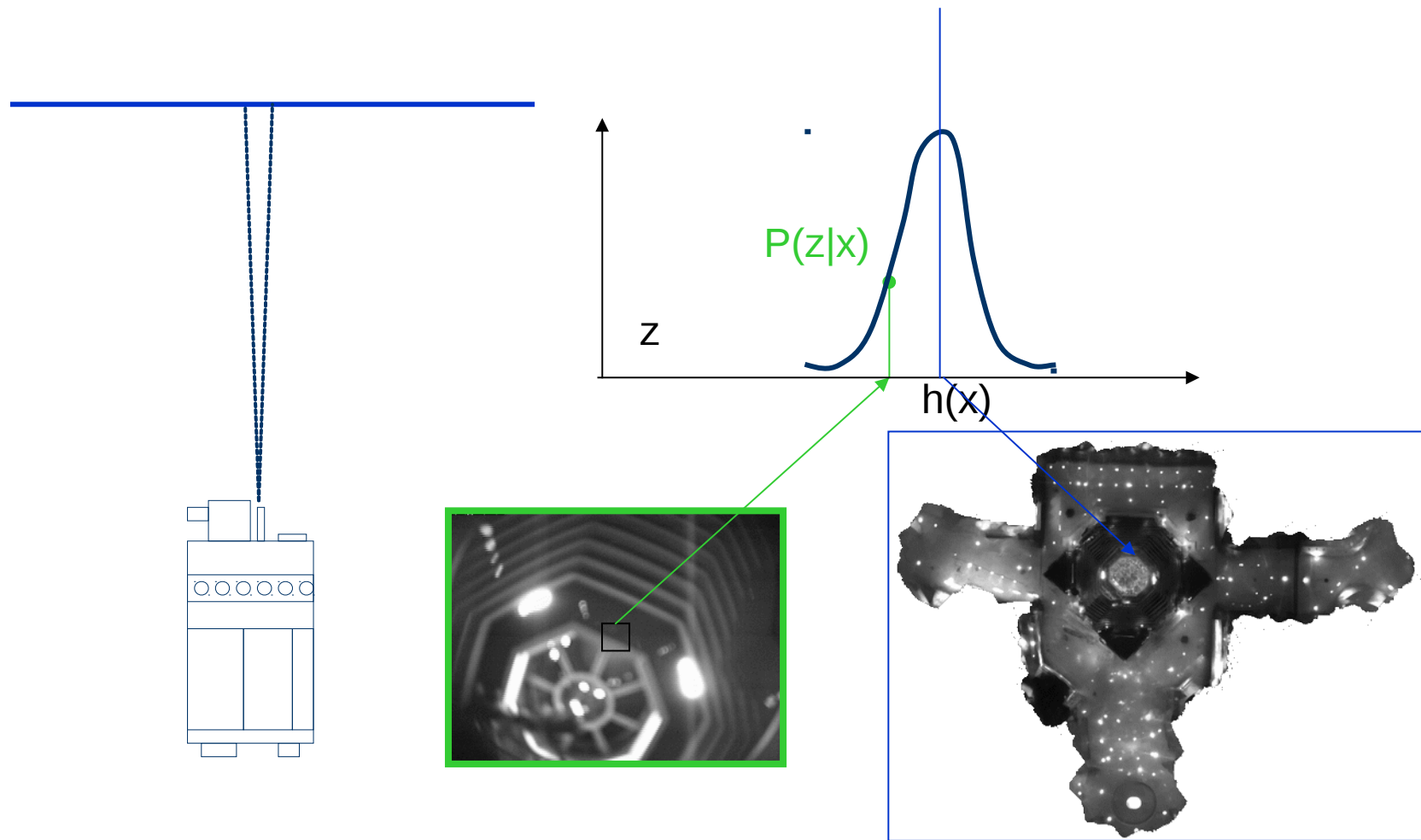




# Using Ceiling Maps

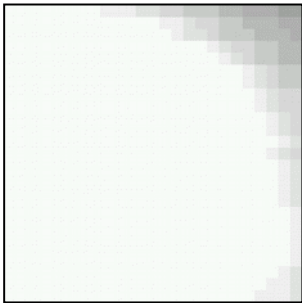


# Vision-Based Localization

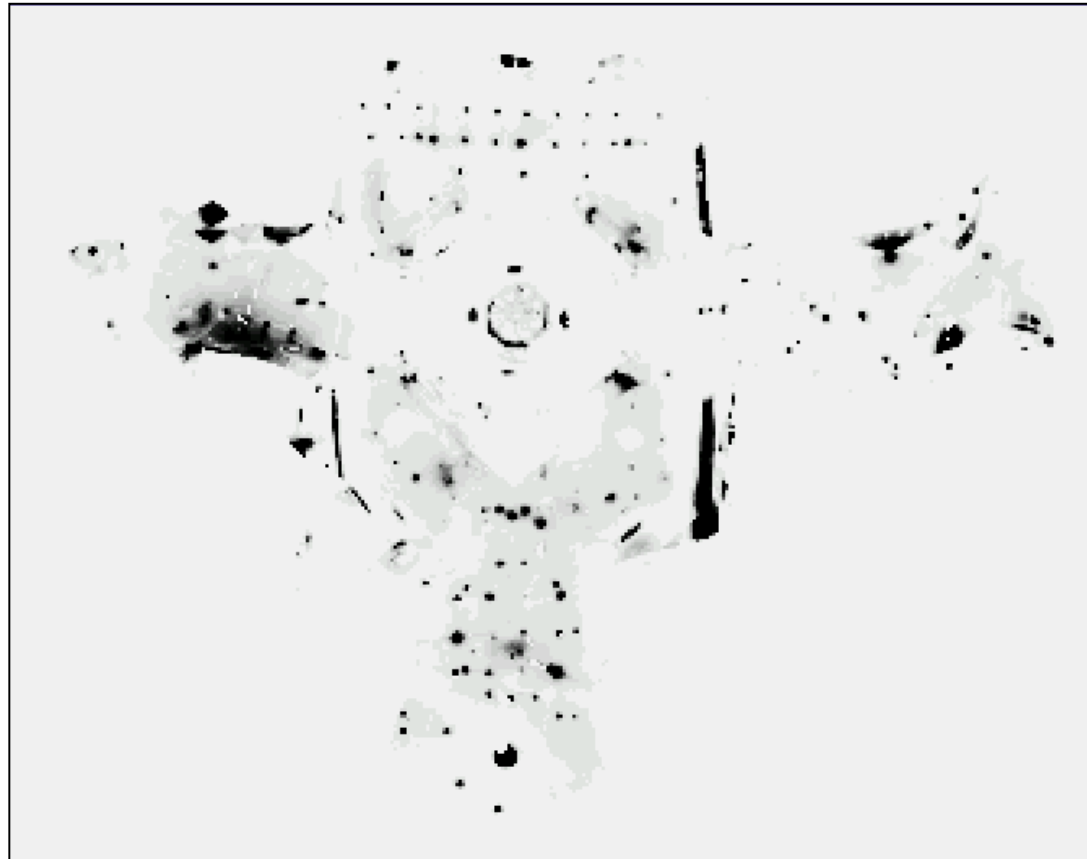


# Under a light

Measurement  $z$ :

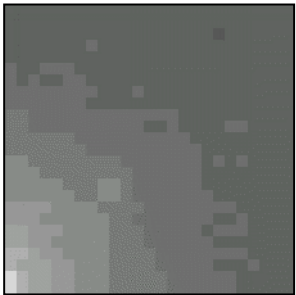


$P(z|x)$ :

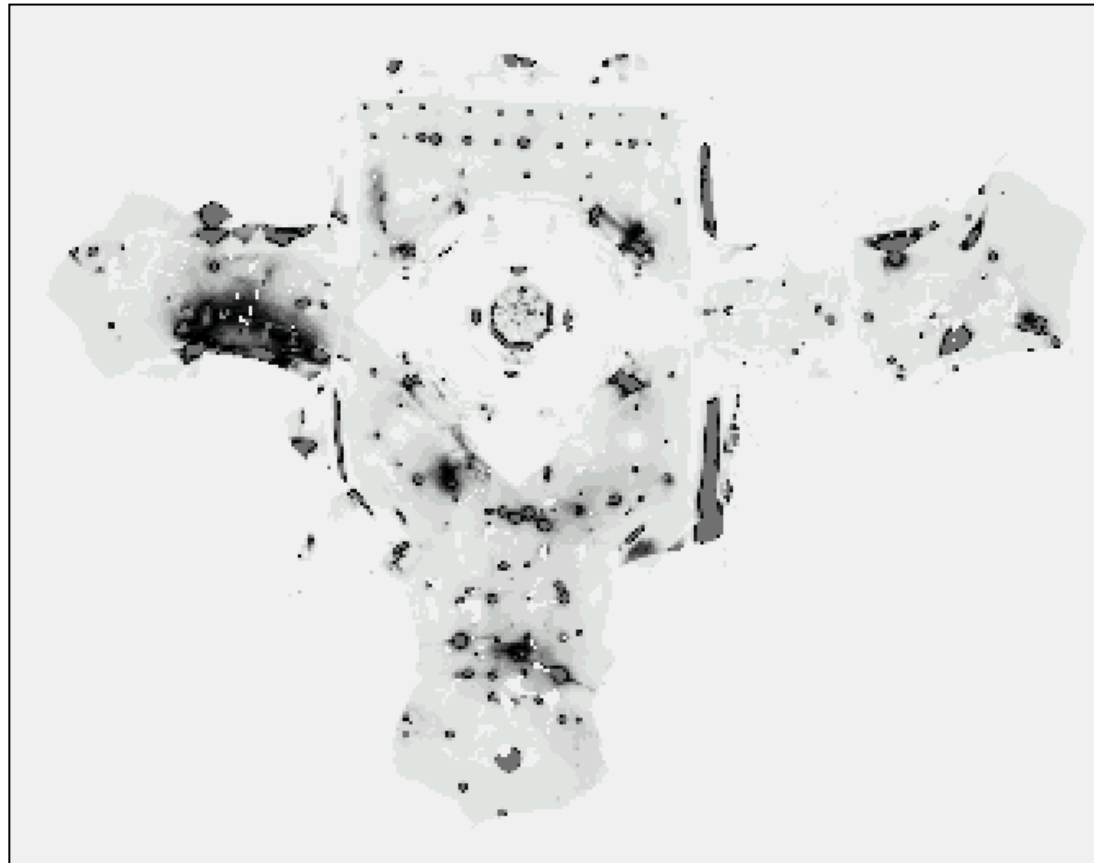


# Close to a light

Measurement  $z$ :



$P(z|x)$ :

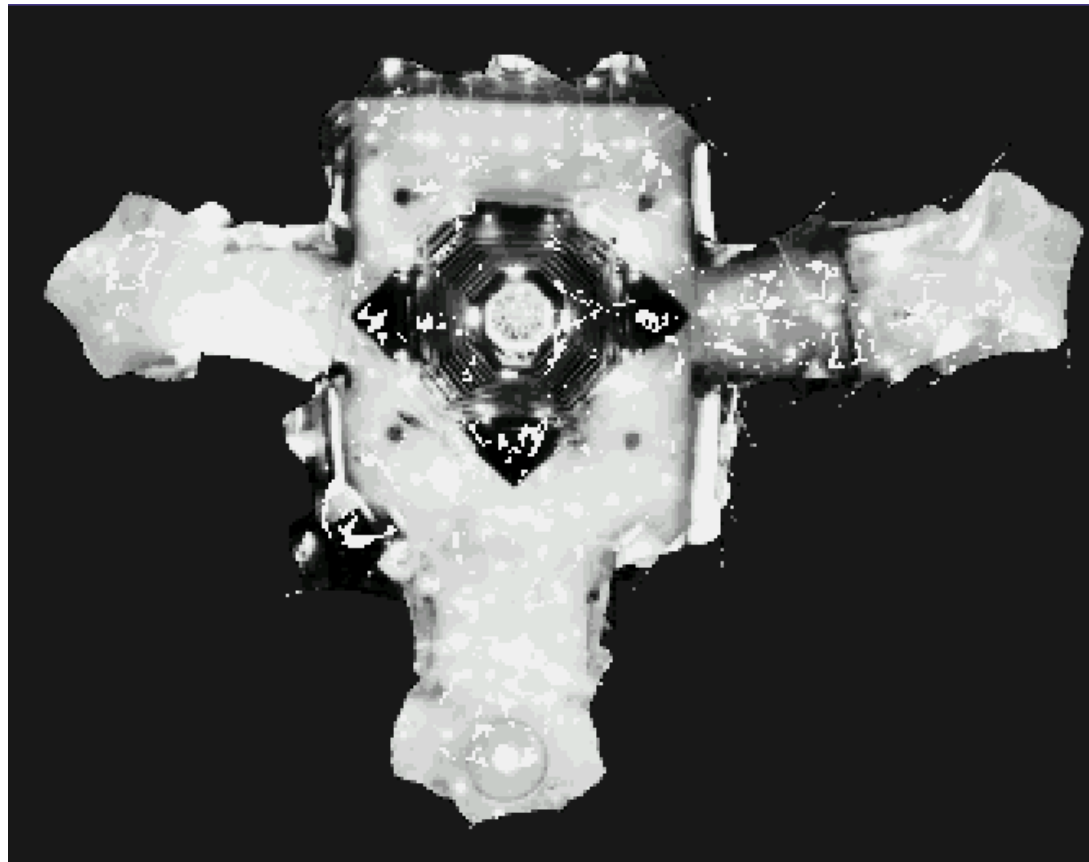


# Far from a light

Measurement  $z$ :



$P(z|x)$ :



Could the robot use both vision and sonar to localize? How?



# Summary

Particle filters are an implementation of recursive Bayesian filtering

They represent the posterior by a set of weighted samples.

In the context of localization, the particles are propagated according to the motion model.

They are then weighted according to the likelihood of the observations.

In a re-sampling step, new particles are drawn with a probability proportional to the likelihood of the observation.

# Localization and Mapping Project Ideas

- Build maps and localize using vision
- 2D and/or 3D vision
- Ceiling Maps
- Incorporate multiple sources of observations for computing  $p(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k | x)$
- Integrate existing mapping and localization algorithms into the turtlebot2 code-base

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THE END



