

TRUCKS WITH LASERS: Mapping the Wilderness

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**Adaptive traction makes
easy work of any obstacle**



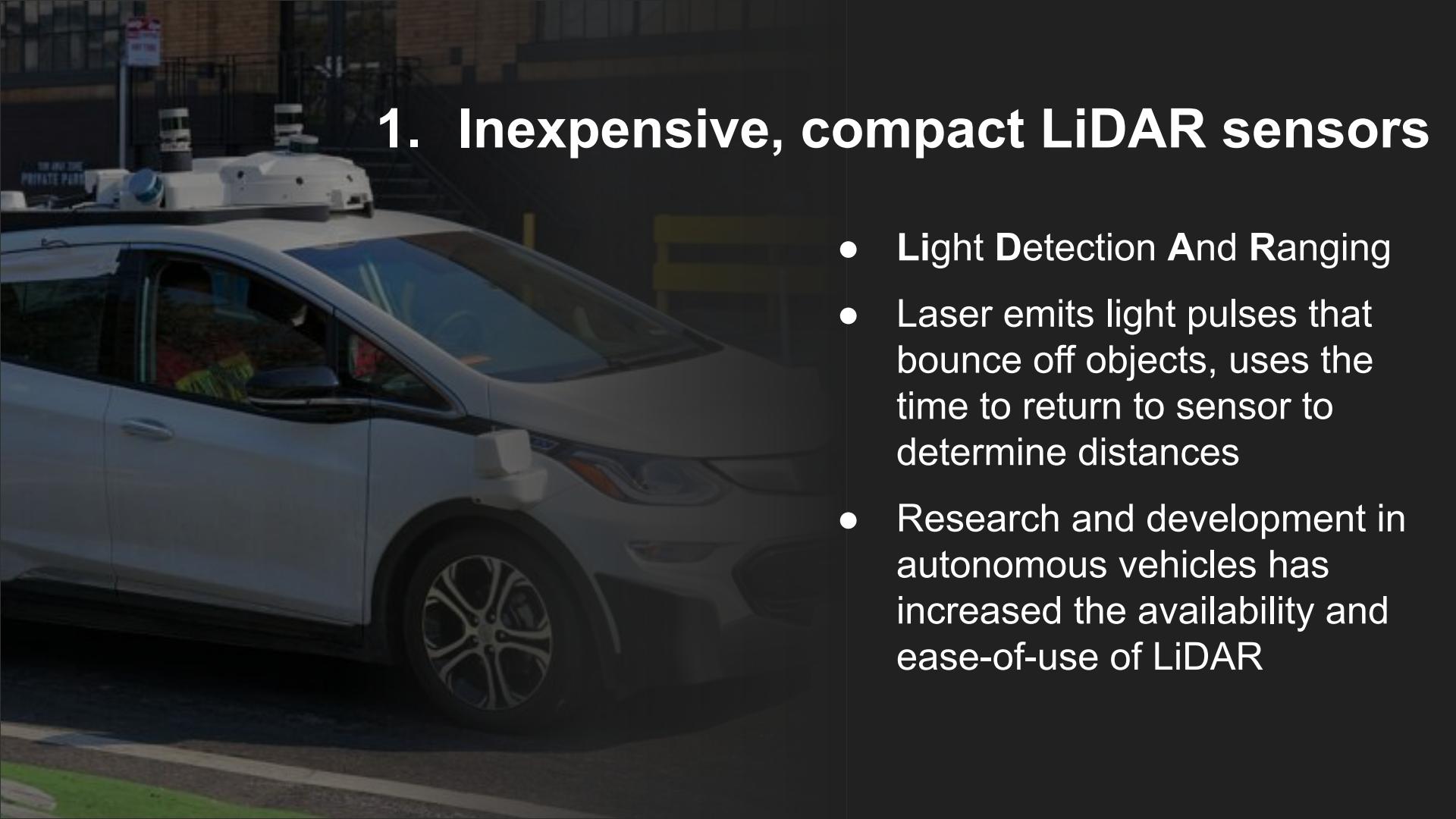
Mode
**NO
ROAD**

Speed
**4
kph**

Eliminates wheel slip

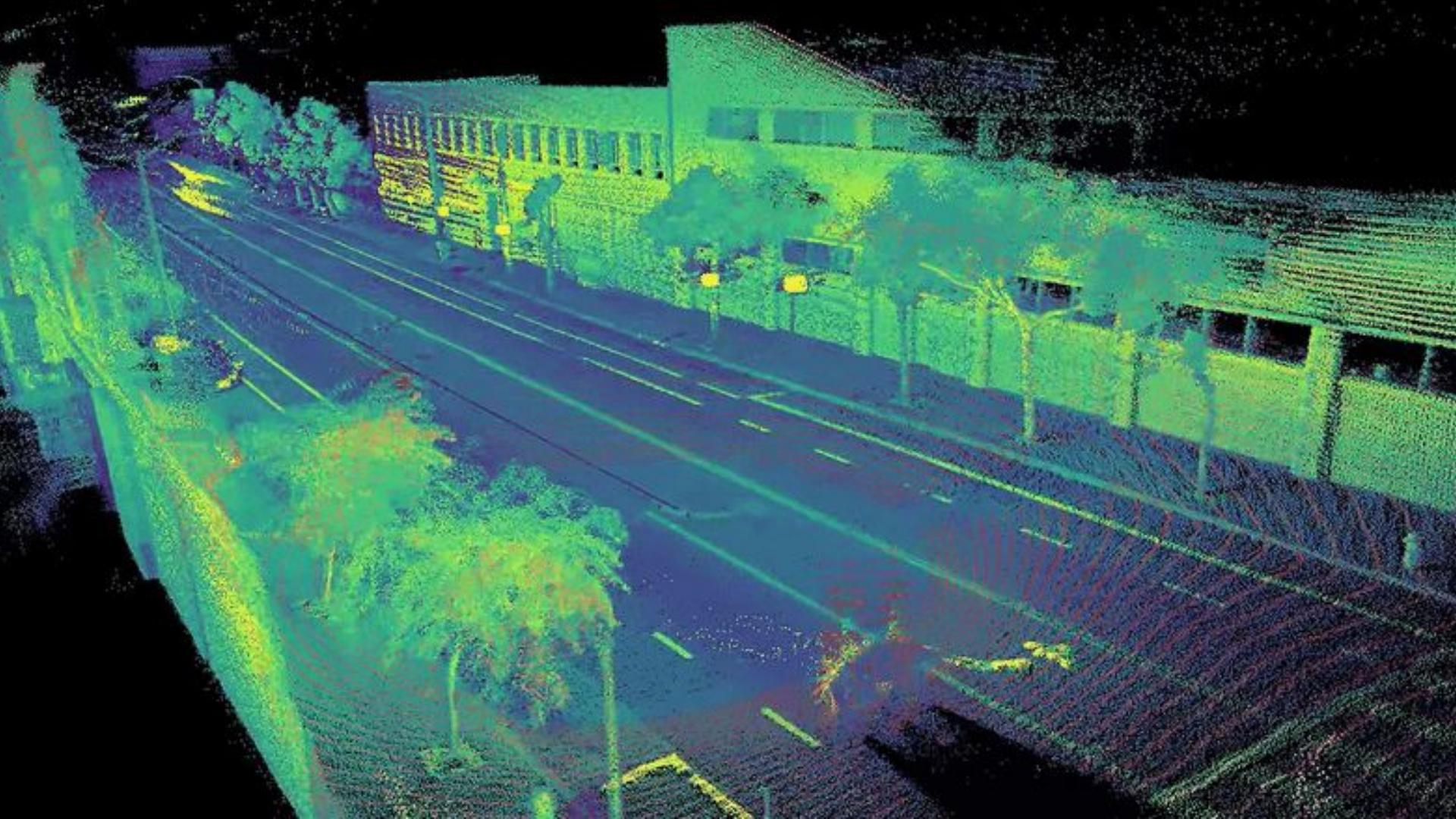
How might we?:

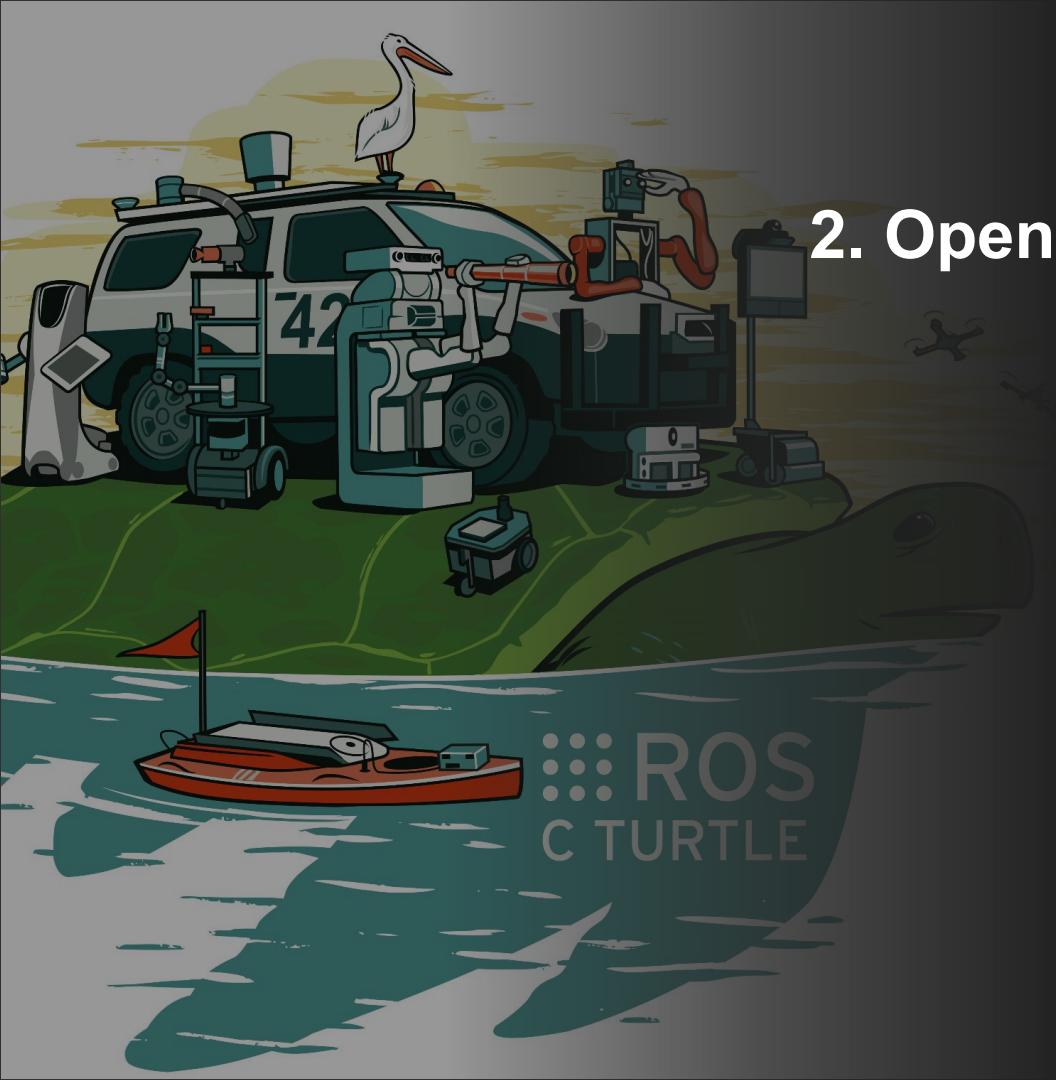
1. collect detailed 3D spatial data in wilderness settings
2. augment the driver's spatial awareness while operating the vehicle
3. Find new ways to visualize, analyze, interact, simulate with the data post-collection

A white sedan, likely a Chevrolet Bolt, is shown from a side-front angle. It has several LiDAR sensors mounted on its roof and a smaller one on the front bumper. The car is parked on a city street with other vehicles and buildings in the background.

1. Inexpensive, compact LiDAR sensors

- Light Detection And Ranging
- Laser emits light pulses that bounce off objects, uses the time to return to sensor to determine distances
- Research and development in autonomous vehicles has increased the availability and ease-of-use of LiDAR





2. Open-source robotics software

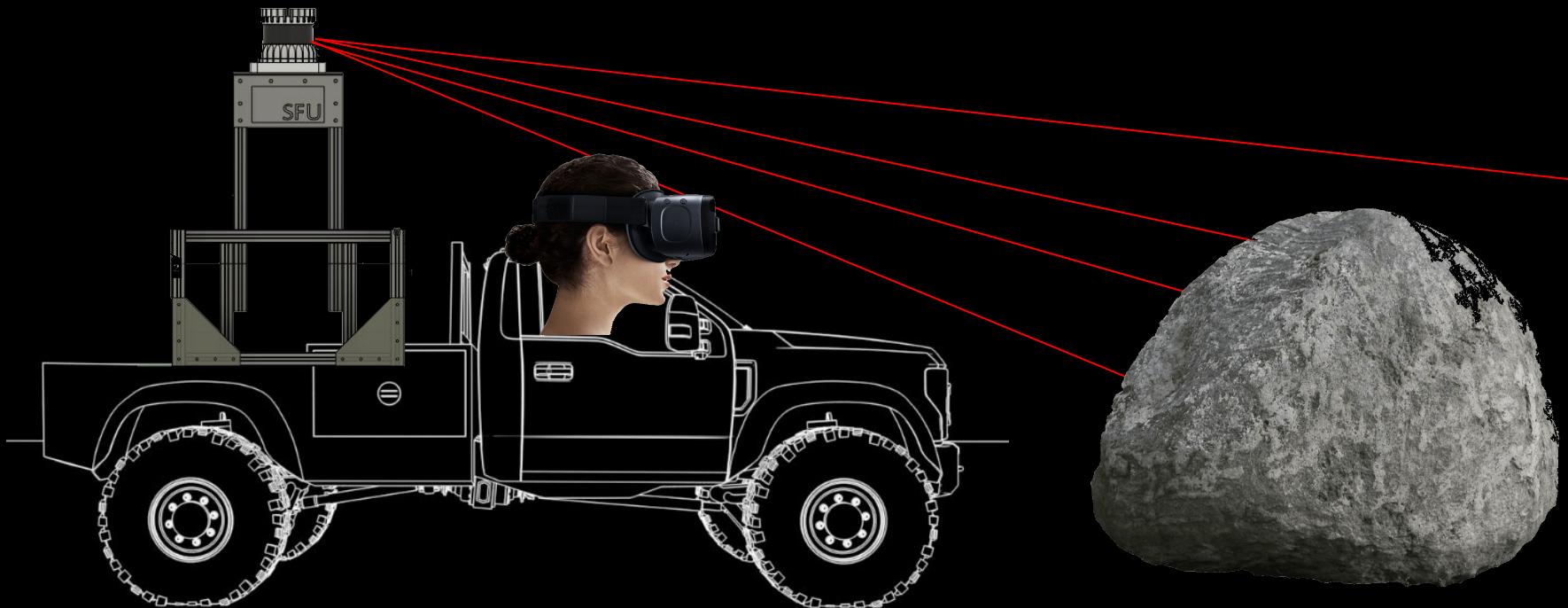
- Robot Operating System (ROS)
- Gazebo Simulation
- RTABMap
- Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM)

3. Extended Reality and video game engines



- Built using the Unity game engine
- Displayed on Microsoft Hololens 2

All together now...





CONCEPT VEHICLE

Volvo ARCAR



BMW ///M Mixed Reality



Thank you!

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