

# Scalability of 3D Gaussian Splatting vs NeRF-based SLAM on Large-Scale Indoor Benchmarks

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## Abstract

Recently, map representations based on radiance fields such as 3D Gaussian Splatting and NeRF, which excellent for realistic depiction, have attracted considerable attention, leading to attempts to combine them with SLAM. While these approaches can build highly realistic maps, large-scale SLAM still remains a challenge because they require a large number of Gaussian images for mapping and adjacent images as keyframes for tracking. We propose a novel 3D Gaussian Splatting SLAM method, VIGS SLAM, that utilizes sensor fusion of RGB-D and IMU sensors for large-scale indoor environments. To reduce

## 1 Introduction

This paper examines: VIGS SLAM: IMU-based Large-Scale 3D Gaussian Splatting SLAM. Research question: How does the scalability of 3D Gaussian Splatting for SLAM compare to NeRF-based approaches when evaluated on large-scale indoor benchmarks?.

## 2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 10 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 8.5/10.

## 3 Results

10 papers retrieved. 11 claims extracted; 11 independently verified. Quality review score: 8.5/10.

## 4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

## 5 Extracted Claims

Claim	Verified	Confidence
VIGS SLAM achieves SLAM performance comparable to state-of-the-art methods in large-scale indoor environments.	✓	0.33
3D Gaussian Splatting (3DGS) processes data by considering the uncertainty at each point, allowing for the construction	✓	0.27
3DGS-based SLAM (3DGS SLAM) has emerged as a promising technology for efficiently handling high-resolution visual data,	✓	0.27
The direct method in 3DGS SLAM requires that keyframes are relatively closely spaced due to the sensitivity of the dense	✓	0.31
The direct method in 3DGS SLAM has difficulty in being applied to large-scale environments due to memory limitations.	✓	0.26
The feature-based method in 3DGS SLAM requires significantly less memory to store the map, making it suitable for large-	✓	0.27
The color of a pixel $C_p$ can be computed using the equation: $C_p = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^N c_m \alpha_m}{\prod_{n=1}^{m-1} (1 - \alpha_n)}$ .	✓	0.25
The opacity at a pixel position can be calculated using the equation: $Op = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^N \alpha_m}{\prod_{n=1}^{m-1} (1 - \alpha_n)}$ .	✓	0.22
The combined mapping loss function is given by: $L_{\text{mapping}} = (1 - \lambda) L_{\text{photo}} + \lambda L_{\text{SSIM}} + \lambda L_{\text{depth}}$ .	✓	0.21
The proposed method was evaluated using the photorealistic and large-scale visual-inertial datasets uHumansV1 and uHuman	✓	0.17
The uHumansV1 dataset was collected in a 65m $\times$ 65m office space.	✓	0.19

## References

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