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Enhancing the system model
for home interior design using
augmented reality



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Motivation and Challenges

Motivation:

- Home interior design with Augmented Reality (AR) on **smartphones**
- A real-world experience, **shopping** for interior fittings
- Help to eliminate common **errors** in **judgement**, and save time/money for the store/customers
- **Interactive** experience for users/designers
- **Marker-less** augmented reality

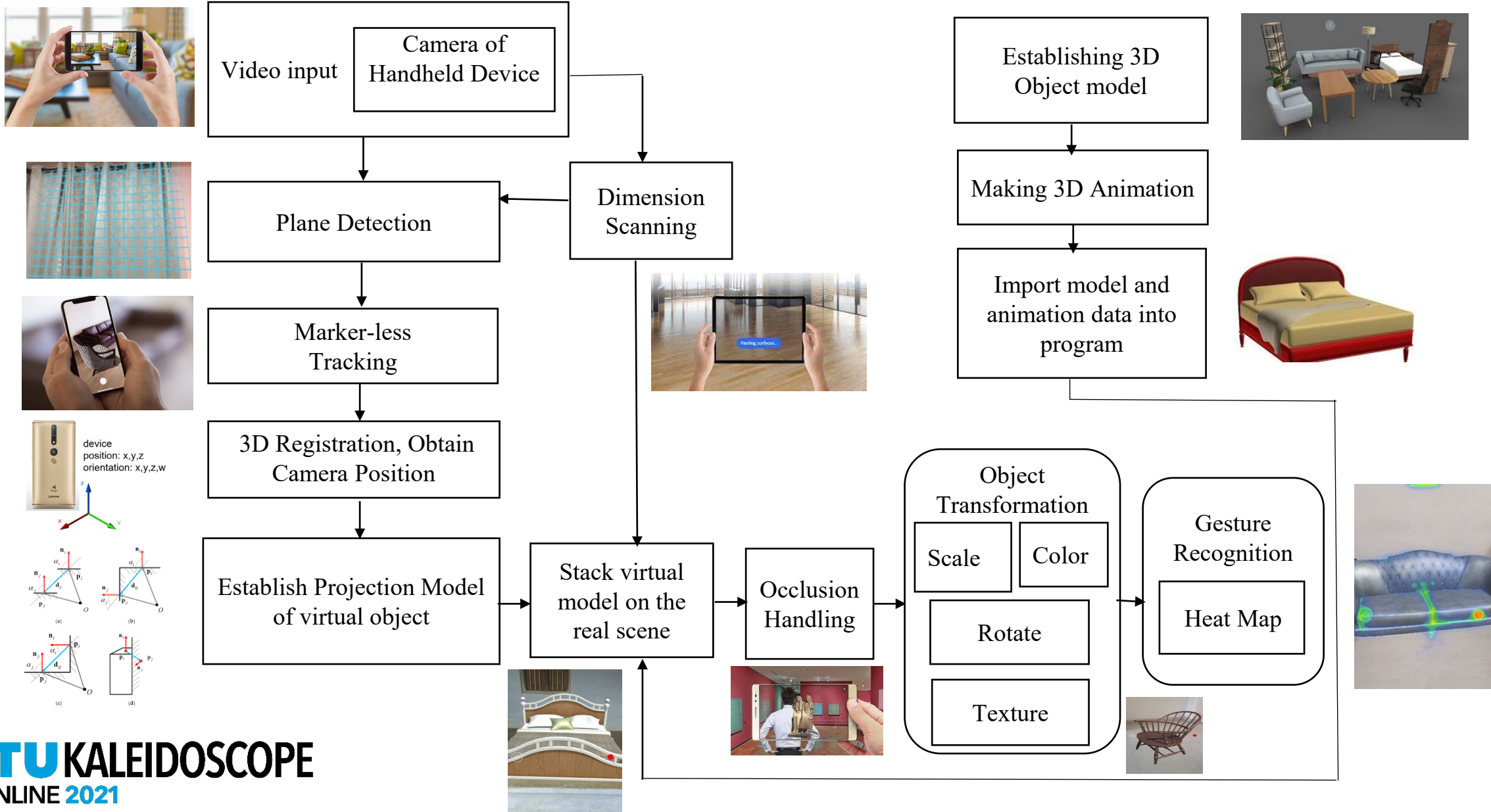
Challenges:

- **Home interior design** is inherently a challenging and time-consuming task
- **Features** to accomplish it on a **target** device with a **vibrant 3D** prototype
- The AR solution needs to **automatically** arrange the selected object in a defined **3D space**
- The **low** performance of **devices** supporting AR applications
- The **latency** becomes a critical factor in the **user's experience**

Scope of the Work

- **Marker-less** augmented reality on a mobile device
- Performance improvement in terms of **latency** while meeting the user's requirements
- The existing popular **trial-ware** application software is used to model, animate, and render 3D scenes
- Dynamically handling the **occlusion**
- Instant **tracking** of 3D feature points using the **SLAM** technique
- The system models to meet **requirements** listed in the ITU-T
 - **G.1035** “Influencing factors on quality of experience for virtual and augmented Reality services”
 - **Q.4066** “Testing procedures of augmented reality applications”

Architecture of the Proposed System



Tracking Object with Frames

The **AR plane manager** presents a prefabricated plane to represent the plane upon detection.

The AR plane contains a **mesh visualizer** and its corresponding components for the rendering.

Whenever the system gets a new frame from the AR camera, it first performs **feature point detection**.

The system **projects** its map into the **new camera frame** to search for more **key** point correspondences.

The **SLAM** algorithm helps to improve the estimate of the camera pose in **tracking**.

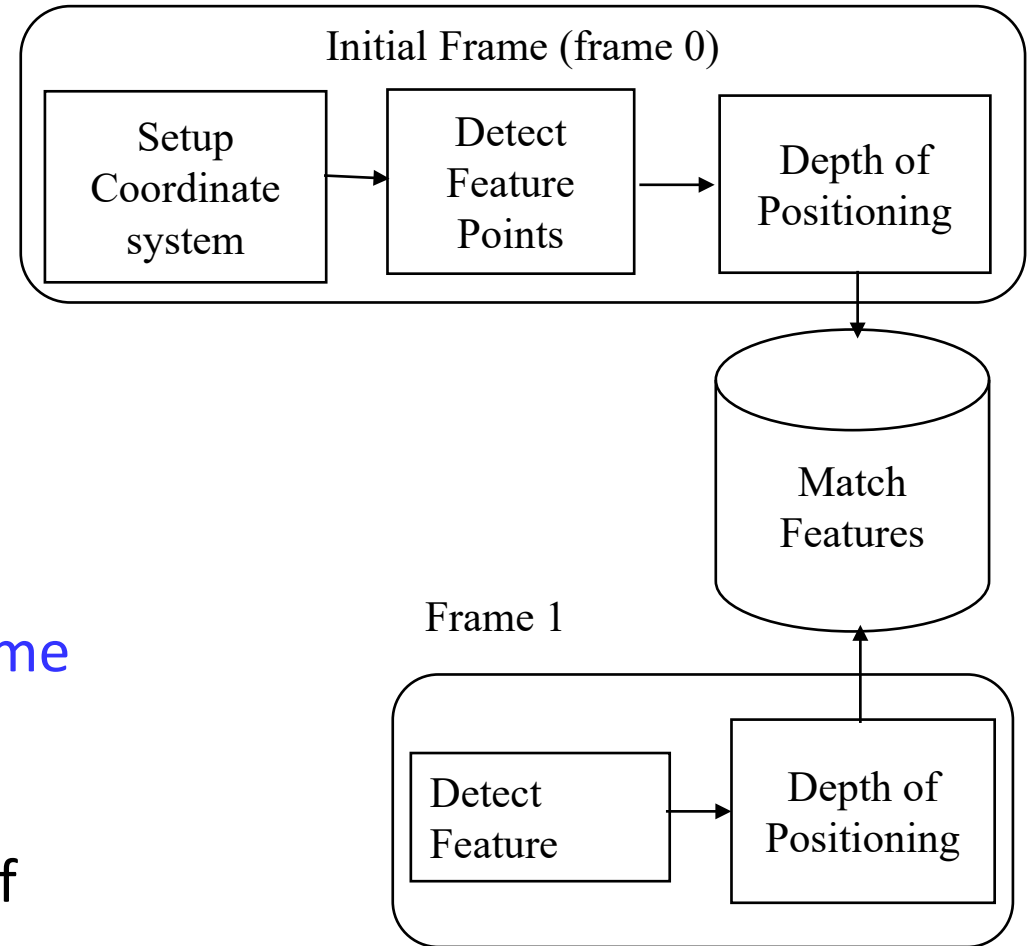
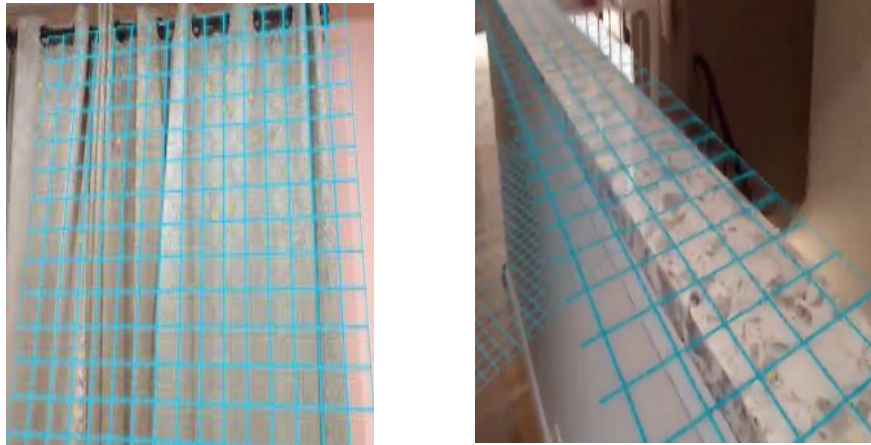


Fig. 2 - Module for Tracking Object with Frames

Implementation

- The *Autodesk Maya*: to model, animate, and render 3D scenes
- *Substance Painter*: to texture and render the 3D meshes
- AR Foundation framework with *Lean Touch* in *Unity: deploying the proposed system*
- The real-world view of the home interior models stored in native gallery of the smartphone via *Natcoder* API
- *Seaborn* and *Matplotlib* libraries in Python are used for heatmap analysis
- Android smartphone with 4GB RAM and Snapdragon 665 Processor with 6.30 inch display

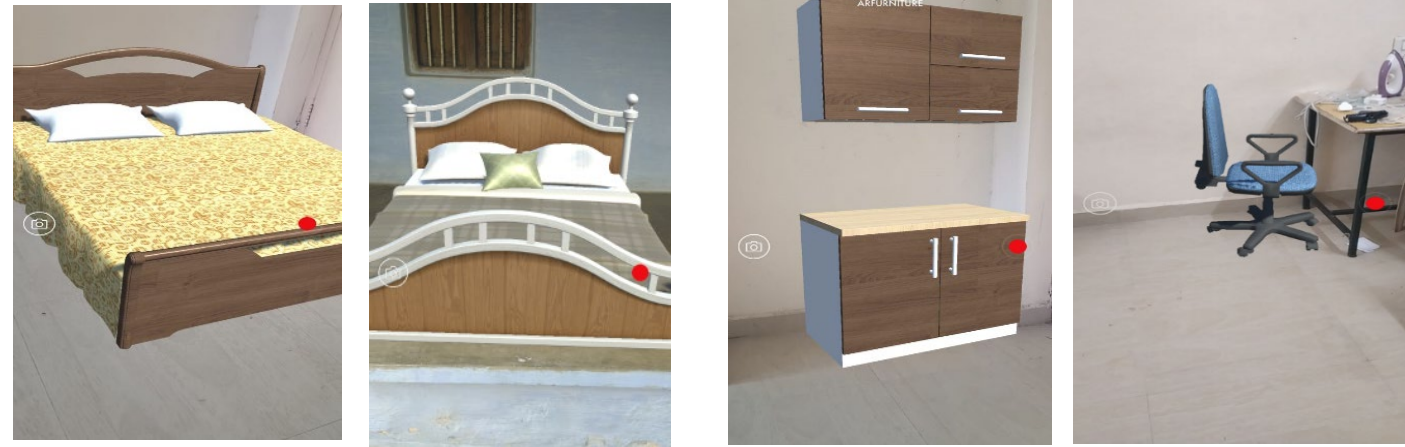
Realistic 3D View of the Featured Models



(a) Vertical Plane

(b) Horizontal Plane

Fig. 3 – Plane detection



(a) Bed 1

(b) Bed 2

(c) Cupboard

(d) Chair

Fig. 4 – Sample Home Interior Models in real world view

- Once the plane is detected, the 3D model to be rendered is instantiated and deployed in the real scene.
- Transformations (scaling and rotation) carried out on the models.
- Users can also move around the interiors to get a clearer picture on how it would look like from multiple perspectives.

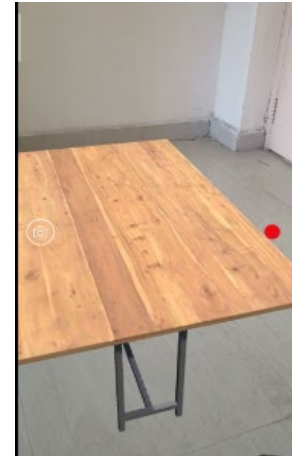


(a) Scale

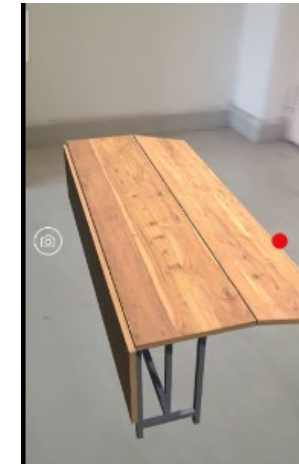


(b) Rotate

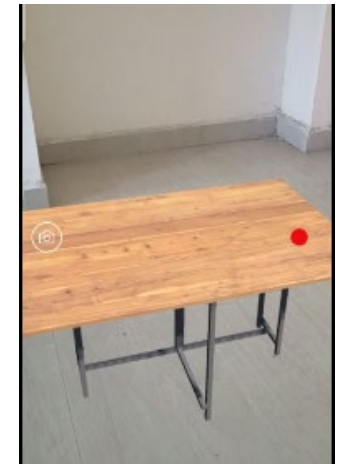
Fig. 5 – 3D transformations



(a) Top view



(b) Side view



(c) Front view

Fig. 6 – Multi-perspective view of home interior models

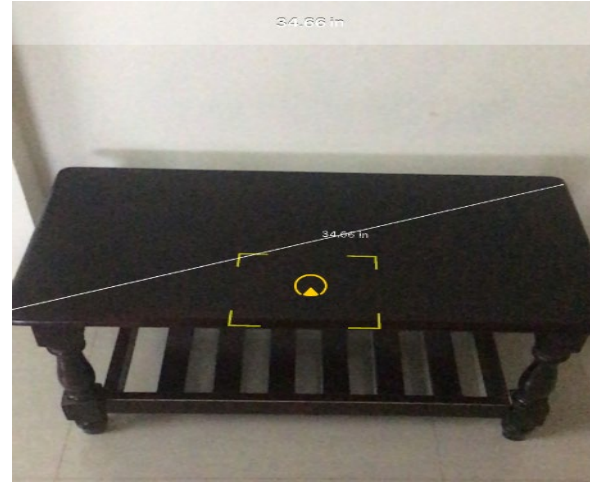
Realistic 3D View of the Featured Models cont.

When **multiple** objects are placed in the scene, **occlusion** occurs which is handled dynamically.

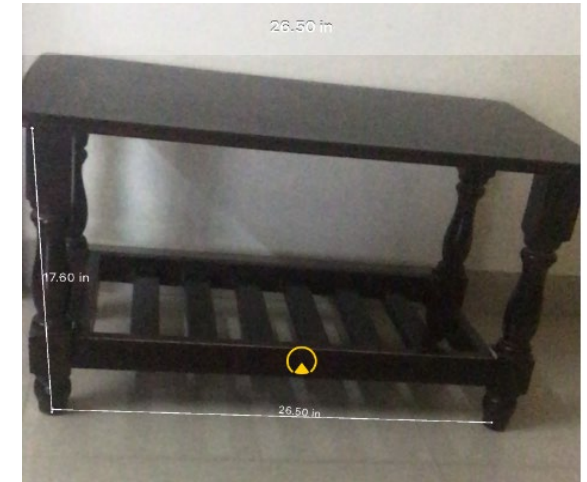


(a) Plants, soccer ball rug (b) Chair, bookcase, nightstand

Fig. 7 – Spawning multiple models in real scene



(a) Diagonal length



(b) Length and width

Fig. 8 – Dimension scanning

In dimension scanning, **anchors** are used to hold the **hit results** obtained from **AR Raycasting** while pose updates to track the physical feature across the reshaping since **hit results** do not happen in the **same** frame.

Results

Enhancing performance in terms of **latency** while meeting the user's requirements.

This requires support of the **field-of-view** and **perspective** of the user, thereby allowing the environment to **react** accordingly.

Table 1 – Average response time of home interior models

Model Name	Mean Response Time (s) (before SLAM)	Mean Response Time (s) (after SLAM)
Plant	0.94828	0.41224
Soccer ball	0.74901	0.36415
Rug	0.79299	0.39041
Pillow	0.88311	0.49107
Armchair	0.97388	0.58739
Wooden Bookcase	1.62302	0.98908
Couch	1.22955	0.74487
Bed	1.58708	0.95165
Chair	0.90057	0.58805

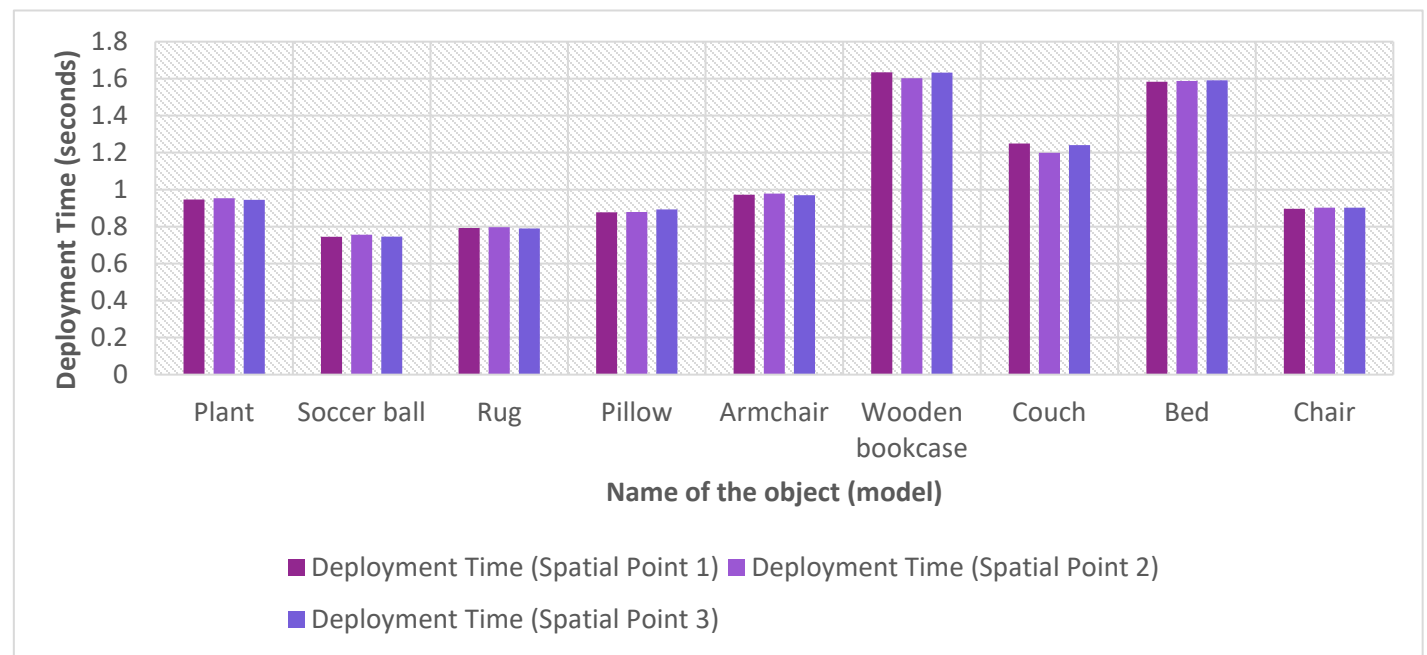


Fig. 9 – Home interior models with high latency

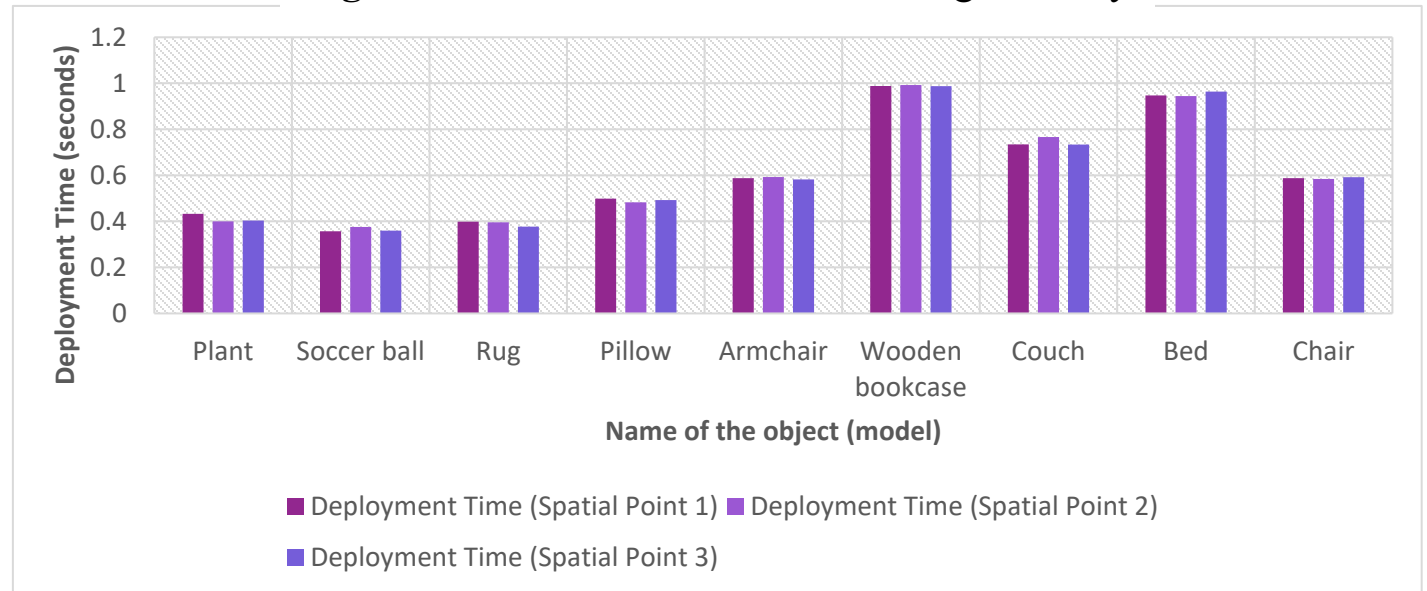


Fig. 10 – Home interior models with minimized latency

Results (cont.)

By combining **AR Foundation** with **Lean Touch** recognition and by dynamically handling the **occlusion** using **SLAM** technique, **instant tracking** of 3D feature points is achieved, thereby **latency** gets minimized

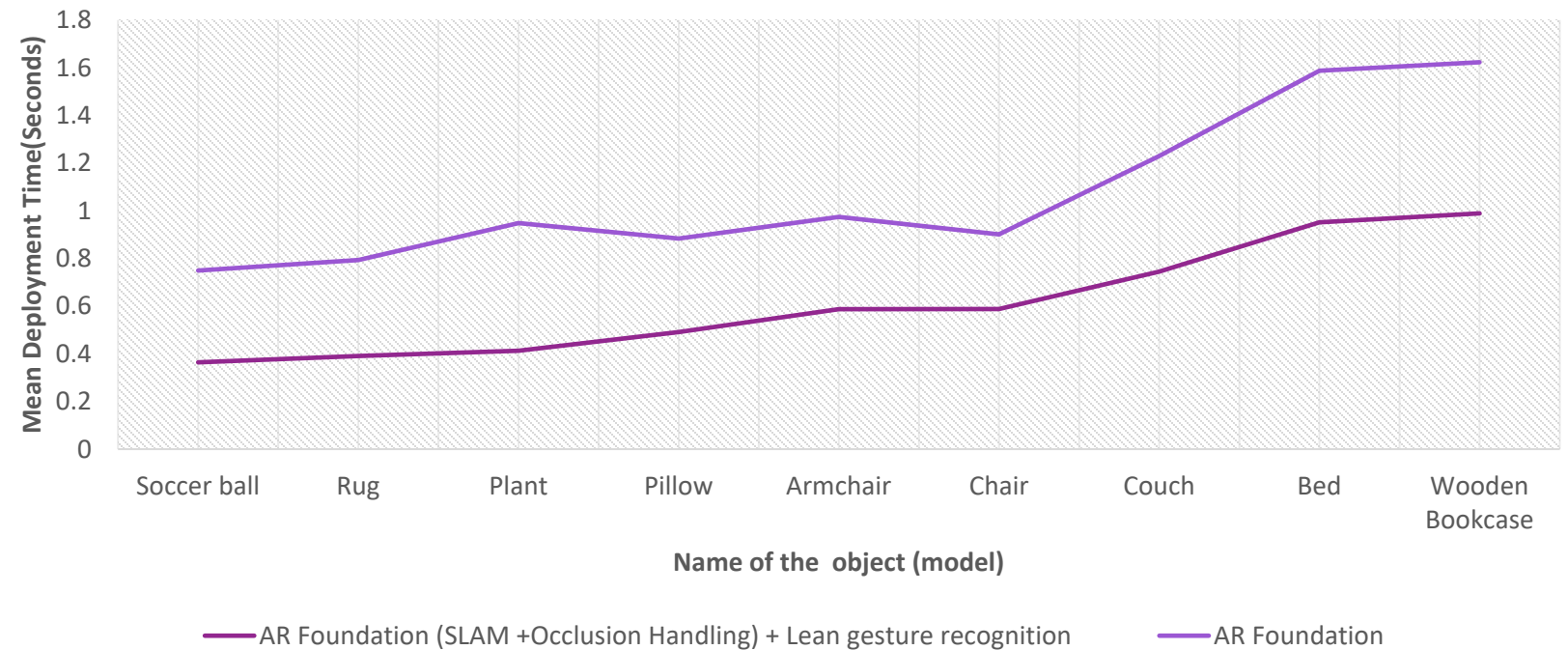


Fig. 11 – Deployment latency

The **heatmap** (color spectrum) provides information on a system's **usefulness** of touch gesture and the **quality** of user interface.

Heatmap parameters: Tap counts, number of clicks, drags, swipes for each person uniquely.

Start screen position, last screen -> **position** value of the **finger** in pixels



Fig. 12 – Heatmap analysis

Summary

Conclusion:

- **Marker-less** augmented reality implemented on a mobile device
- Enhancement of **user experience** in applications of the home interior design related with furniture shopping
- The existing popular **trial-ware** application software is used design, experiment, and implement the proposed system

Future work

- The application can **collect** images of the **target** room at the start time of a design session and can **stream** them to a **server** where they are analyzed
- A candidate technology of virtual and augmented reality services being **standardized** in ITU-T Study Group 16

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