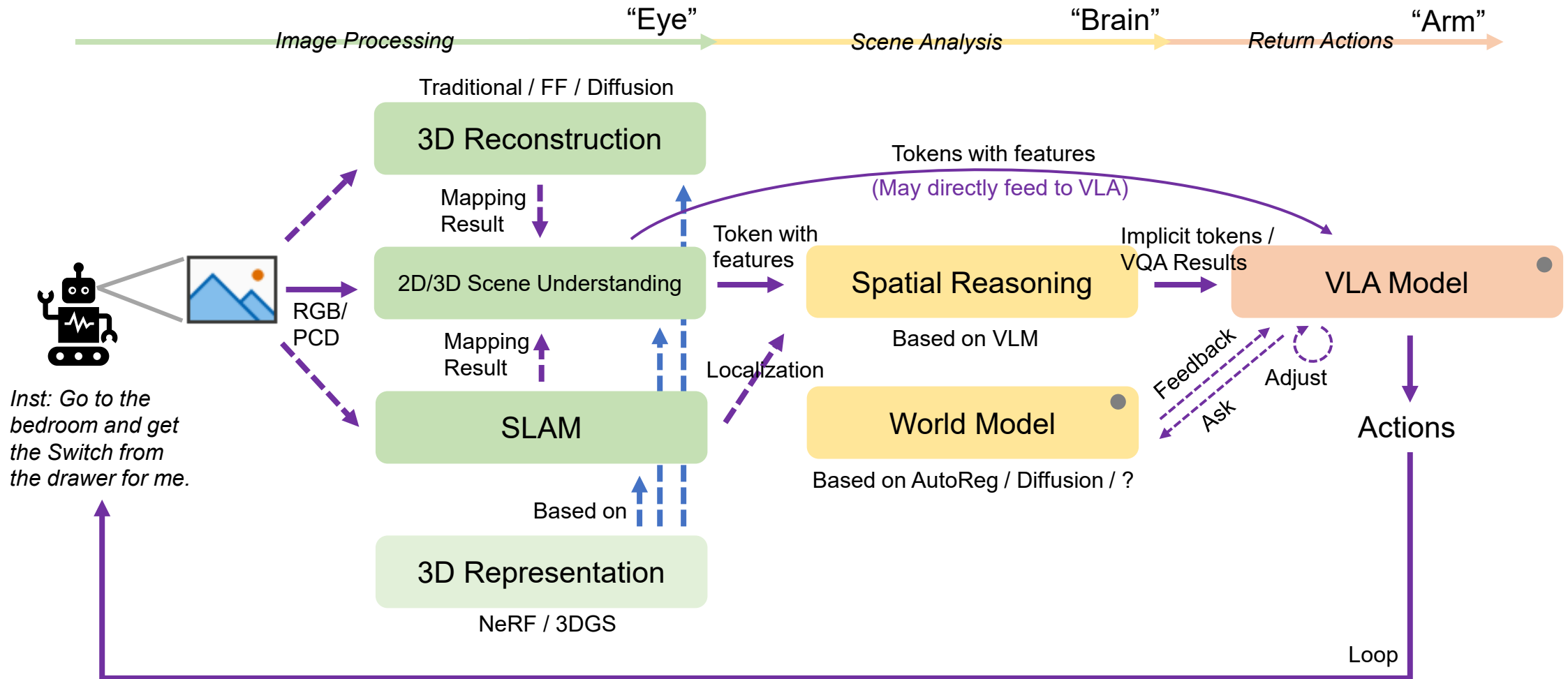


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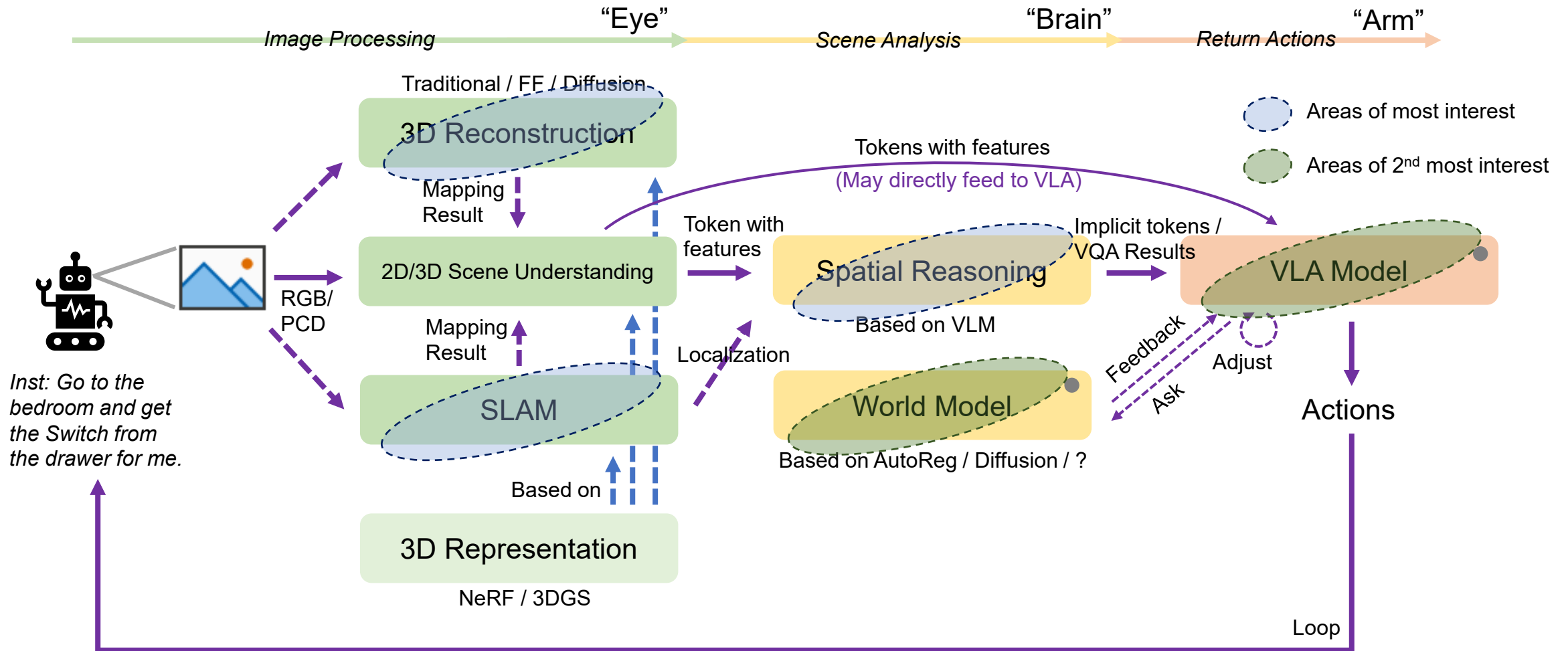
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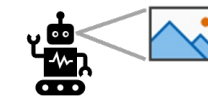
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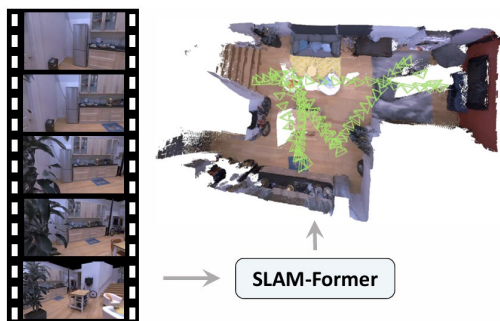
# Potential Specific Topics Interested



Inst: Go to the bedroom and get the Switch from the drawer for me.



## SLAM / 3D Reconstruction

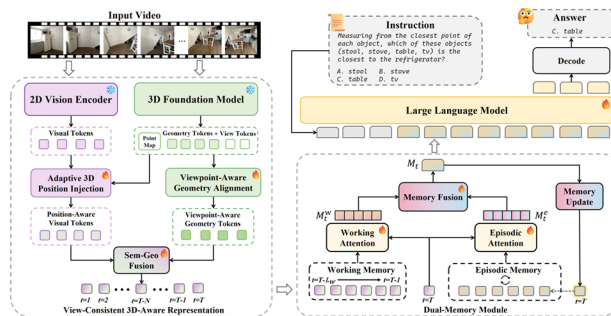


Leverage feed-forward / diffusion-based model on **large-scene** reconstruction (RGB input version of my 3<sup>rd</sup> research project)

- SLAM-Former / Stream-VGGT
- While these work are able to handle longer scene compared to VGGT, the scales of scene they demonstrated in Experiment Section are still one or two rooms.
- Robots need to map the **entire house** or even more complex indoor cases (which means larger scene) in order to accurately perform tasks within that area.

## Spatial Reasoning

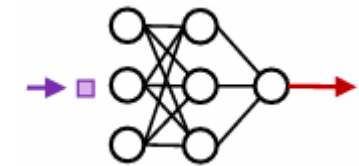
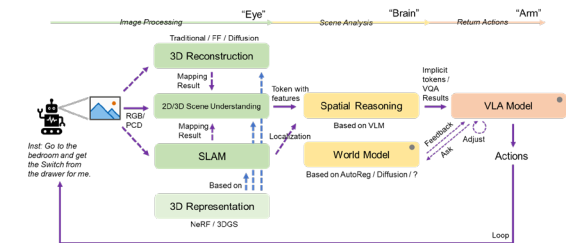
Design **memory mechanism** for long-horizon spatial reasoning



- Actually two possible pipelines to model large scene: 1) High-quality SLAM result -> guide the robot; 2) Current RGBD + Memory -> guide the robot.
- Suppose no global SLAM result is provided, then memory will be needed to model the whole scene. Consider answering questions like *I'm in the living room right now. How do I get to the bedroom? (GT: Enter the door on your right. )* assuming the robot has explored the entire house.

# My Understanding of “Bitter Lesson”

- **Simpler is better: To find meta methods.**
- Take the evolution of 3D Reconstruction as the example. Traditional methods build the pipeline based on human knowledge prior: SFM + MVS. Recent work (from 2024) there are lots of “Feed-Forward” methods like Dust3r, Mast3r, or VGGT.
- **More is better: To construct high-quality dataset.**
- AI is a data-driven science.
- Hands-on practice: the huge impact of batch size and dataset size during training!
- **This may contradict the viewpoint I made in last slide,** as the pipeline I demonstrated introduces human prior of how we act for the given instructions (although there is no explicit knowledge). Meanwhile, long pipelines can also introduce cumulative errors.
- Actually I have no idea which one will lead us further. The only thing I believe is that experiments and practice can tell the truth :)



# Motivation Based on Project Features

- During talk with some professors, a consensus is they treasure students' motivation.
- In my perspective: Interested in a certain field  $\neq$  Motivation. I may be motivated by projects with following features, even if the task given does not perfectly match my interests.
- Specific tasks with fun background or statement (有趣的小任务场景)
  - e.g. Use robot to push boxes to specific positions; Guide agent to play Minecraft
- Methods that introduce amazing tricks (神乎其技的创新)
  - e.g. Use diffusion to replace linear layer in LLM output; RoPE embedding
- Methods that bring intuition to solution (符合直觉的通用解决方案)
  - e.g. Develop a robot that can learn to do something with one-shot video guidance; Introduce memory mechanism to long-sequence SLAM
- Methods that related to basic modules or “essence” (触及基础或本质)
  - e.g. Gated Transformer