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- Autonomous vehicles must be capable of localizing in GPS denied situations
- Topometric localization which combines topological with metric localization
- Build compact database of simple visual and 3D features with GPS equipped vehicle
- ▶ Whole image SURF descriptor, a vector containing gradient information of entire image
- Range mean and standard deviation descriptor
- Localization using a Bayesian filter to match visual and range measurements to the database
- Algorithm is reliable across wide environmental change, including lighting difference, seasonal variations
- Evaluation using a vehicle with mounted video cameras and LIDAR
- Achieving an average localization accuracy of 1 m on an 8 km route