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- Challenges in household robotics:
 - Unstructured environments
 - Embodied camera agents
- We need Active Perception to
 obtain relevant information

Setup

- Mobile Manipulator (head-mounted camera)
- TSDF -> Grasp Prediction
- Assumption:
 - Rough object position known(Object inside red bounding box)



Method

- Robot Motion to maximize Information Gain
- IG of view = #rear-side voxels unveiled
- Execute best grasp if stable

Naive solution: Move to high IG view

- → Very inefficient motion
- 1. Solution: Introduce cost for distance
- Bias to explore nearby solutions
- Solution: Compute velocity as a vector sum of views, weighted by gain
- → use all provided information

Further Work

- Ray-casting in batch allows IG computation for many views:
 - Sample feasible trajectories & IG for all possible views from trajectories
- Grasps are only useful for a Mobile Manipulator if they are *reachable*
 - Include 6DoF grasp reachability metric in the grasp quality criterion Stay tuned for our full paper :)





