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Hi Vincent,

The conference paper describing our preliminary work is cited as reference [23] in the manuscript that we submitted to Remote Sensing. In the conference paper the results were from a laser scanner only while the current versions has results from two sensors, an RGB-D camera and a laser scanner. The depth of analysis is much more than the basic version presented in conference. A lot of robotics and scanning issues are discussed in detail. Similarly, scanning in sloping surfaces is included in this version only.

As per IEEE policy extended versions of conference papers can be published in journals as long the journal version is substantially different. Our paper has no issues of self-plagiarism or duplication as 1) the conference paper is already cited in the journal manuscript, 2) the journal version is substantially different and extensive compared to the conference version.

## 229 4. Initial Testing

The platform's ability to capture a floor surface profile was initially tested using two 2D laser scanners. One laser scanner (mounted vertically) was used to capture the floor profile, while the other laser scanner (mounted horizontally) was used to localise the robot within the environment. The initial testing methodology and results were presented in [23].

Wilson, S.; Potgieter, J.; Arif, K. Floor surface mapping using mobile robot and 2D laser scanner.
Mechatronics and Machine Vision in Practice (M2VIP), 2017 24th International Conference on. IEEE,
2017, pp. 1–6.

Please let me know if you have any further questions about this issue.

Regards,

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Dear Dr. Arif,

We found the paper's title and some sections are same as your another article <Floor surface mapping using mobile robot and 2D laser scanner>, which was published on the IEEE, 21-23 Nov. 2017. To avoid misunderstanding, please clarify the difference between the published one and this paper with self-plagiarism and novelty issue.

If you require any further information, feel free to contact me. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards, Vincent Zhou

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Mr. Vincent Zhou

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