

Project: 3D Photography using Context-aware Layered Depth Inpainting (link)

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GOAL

Objectives

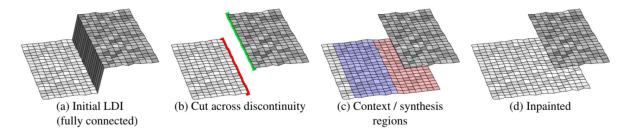
- 1. The project aims at converting a single RGB-D input image into a 3D photo a multi-layer representation for novel view synthesis that contains hallucinated colour and depth structures in regions occluded in the original view.
- 2. It uses the Layered Depth Image with explicit pixel connectivity as underlying representation, and presents a learning-based inpainting model that iteratively synthesizes new local color-and-depth content into the occluded region in a spatial context-aware manner.
- 3. The resulting 3D photos can be efficiently rendered with motion parallax using standard graphics engines.
- 4. The effectiveness of our method is validated on a wide range of challenging everyday scenes and show fewer artifacts when compared with the state-of-the-arts.

Method Overview

- 1. Generating a Layered-Depth-Image and preprocessing the image
 - a. Normalizing the depth channel
 - b. Lifting the image onto an LDI
 - c. Finding depth-discontinuities
- 2. Finding Context and Synthesis Regions
 - a. Generation of Synthesis Region (a contiguous region of new pixels)
 - i. Using flood-fill like algorithm
 - ii. Iterative expansion
 - iii. Synthesis Region remains in the occluded part of the image
 - b. Generation of Context Region
 - i. Using flood-fill like algorithm
 - ii. Select LDI pixels and follow connection links
 - iii. Halts at silhouettes

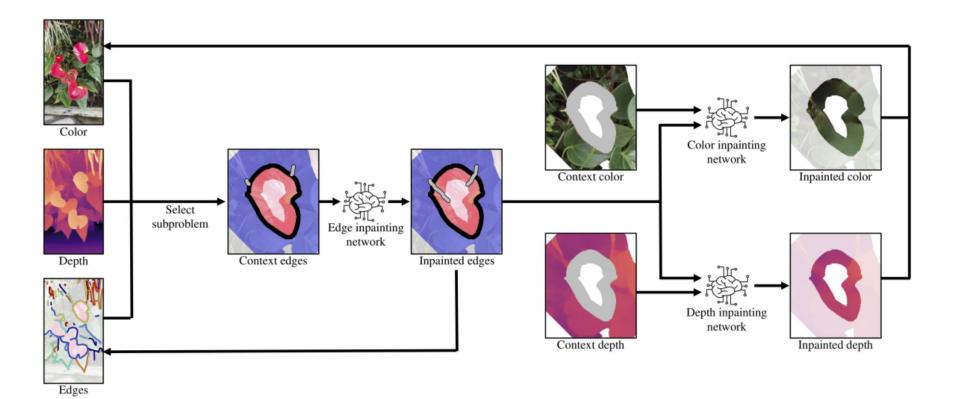
Method Overview

3. Context aware color and depth inpainting



- a. Heuristic based approach using standard network architectures designed for images.
- b. Independent Colour and Agemap Inpainting
- c. Since independent, the inpainted depth-image might not be well-aligned with the inpainted colour. Thus, we break down inpainting task into sub-networks:
 - i. Edge inpainting network
 - ii. Color inpainting network
 - iii. Depth inpainting network
- d. Multi-layer Inpainting to fill up discontinuities
- 4. 3D textured mesh generation by integrating all inpainted values to original LDI.

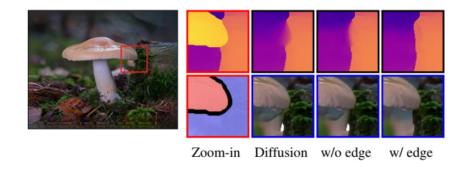
Context-aware colour and depth inpainting overview

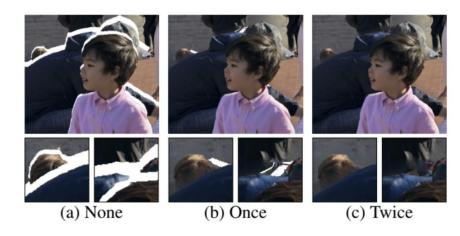


Method Overview (cont..)

Benefit of Edge-Guided Depth Inpainting:

Multi-layer inpainting:





Timeline

Mid-Eval Deliverables:

- 1. Generating a Layered-Depth-Image and preprocessing the image
- 2. Finding Context and Synthesis Regions

Final Eval Deliverables:

- Context aware color and depth inpainting
- 3D textured mesh generation by integrating all inpainted values to original LDI.
- 3. Testing and Final output generation