



MaskFlownet: Asymmetric Feature Matching with Learnable Occlusion Mask

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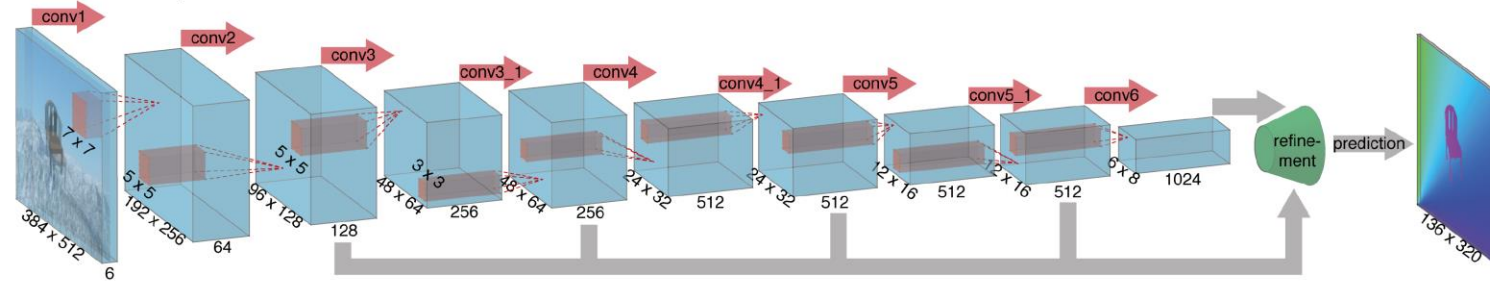
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Optical Flow Estimation

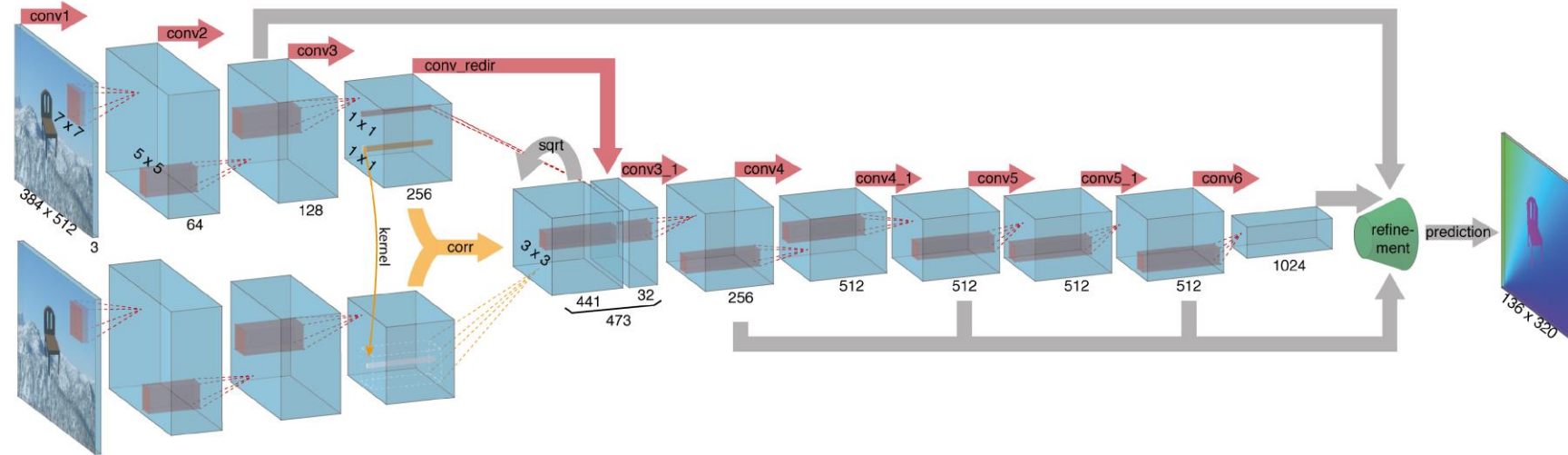


FlowNet

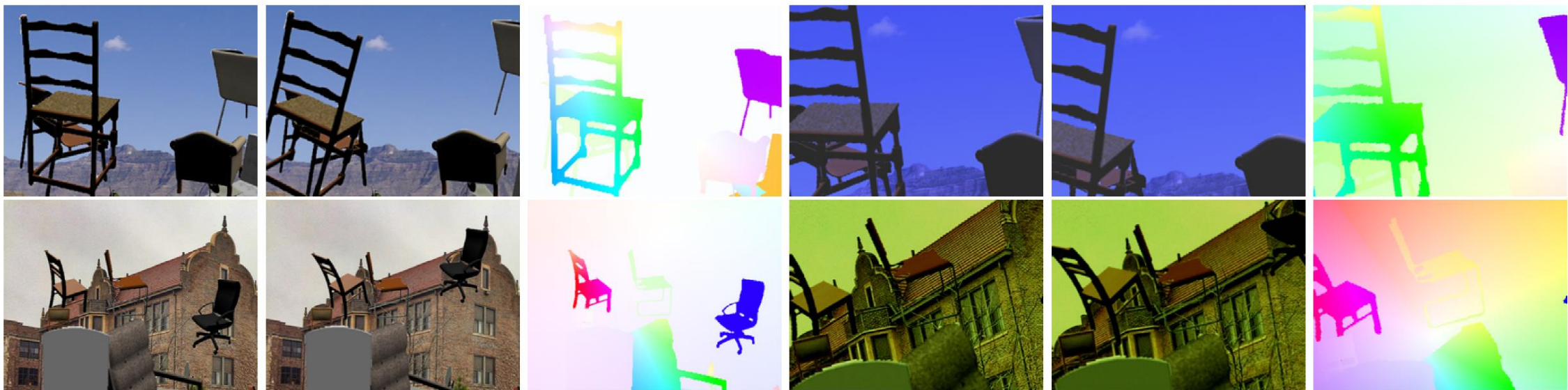
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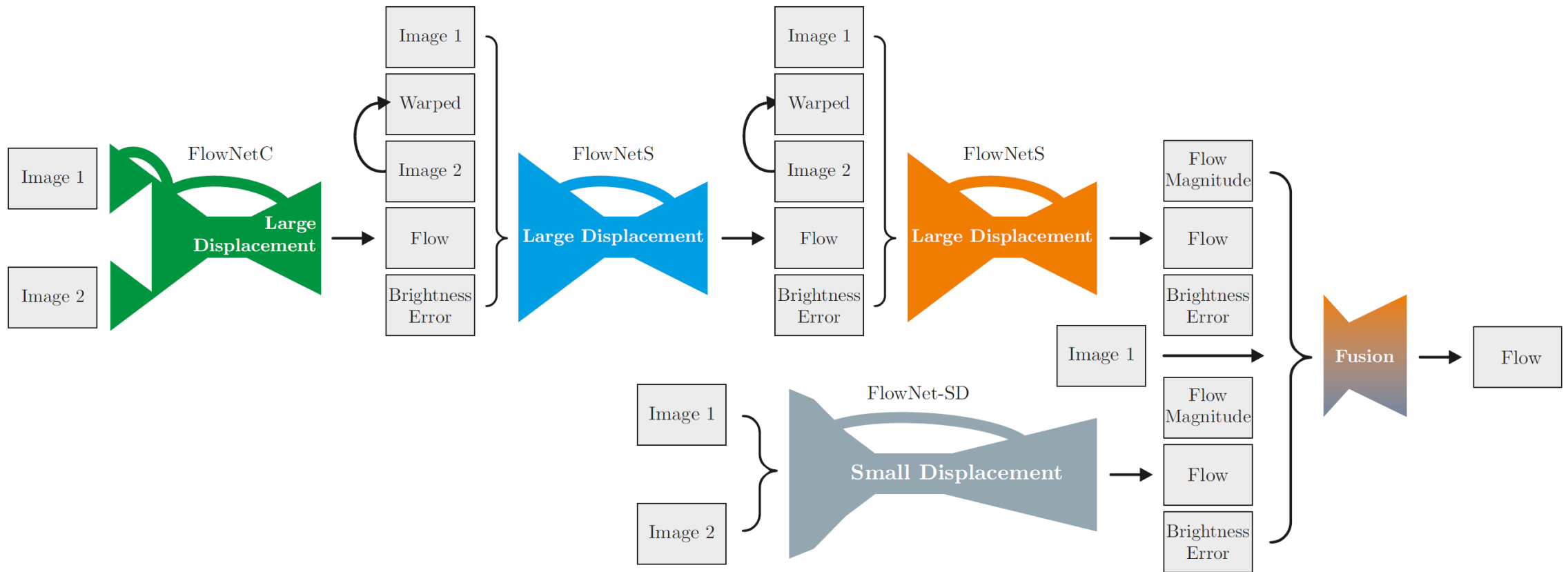
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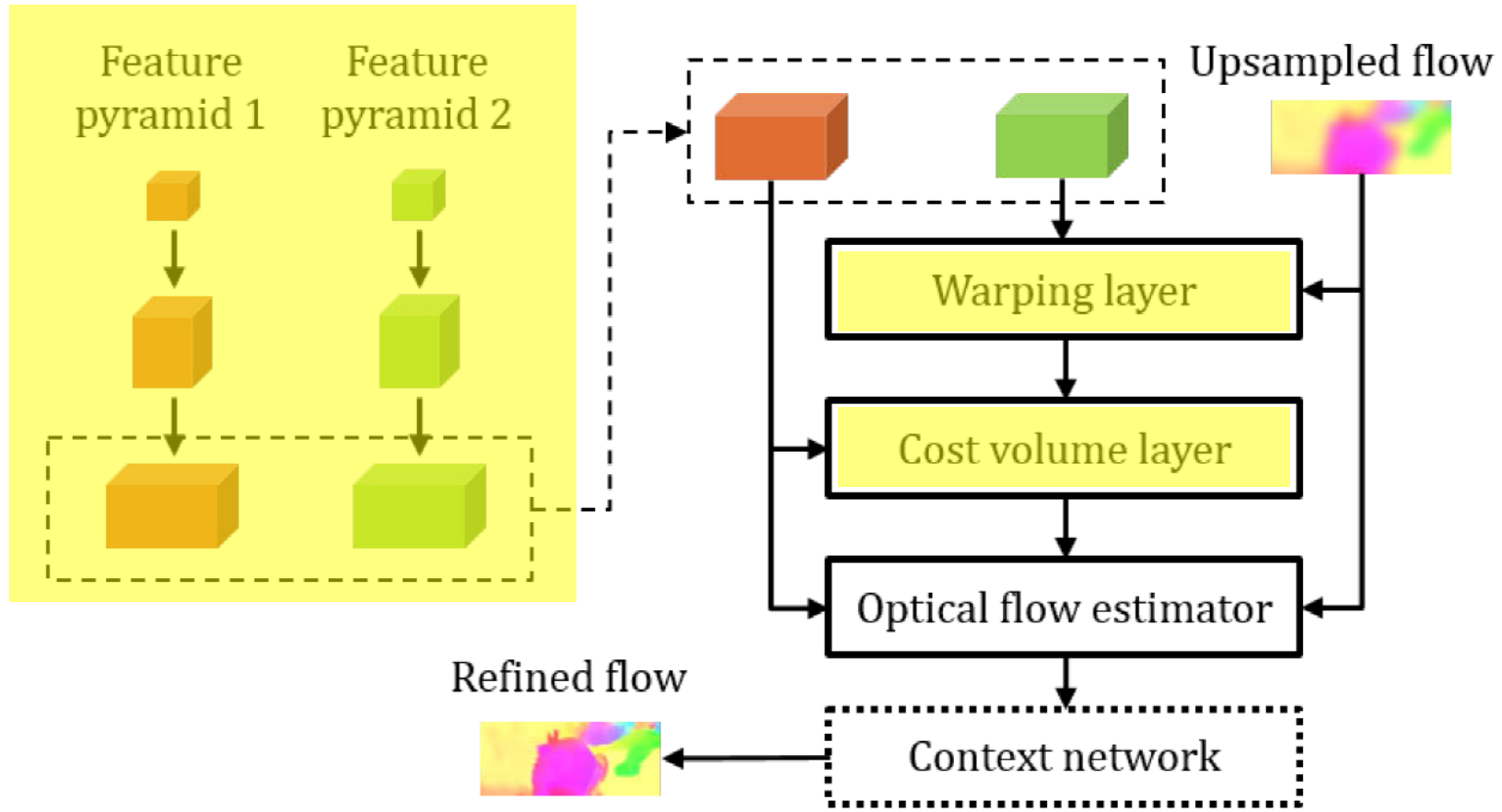
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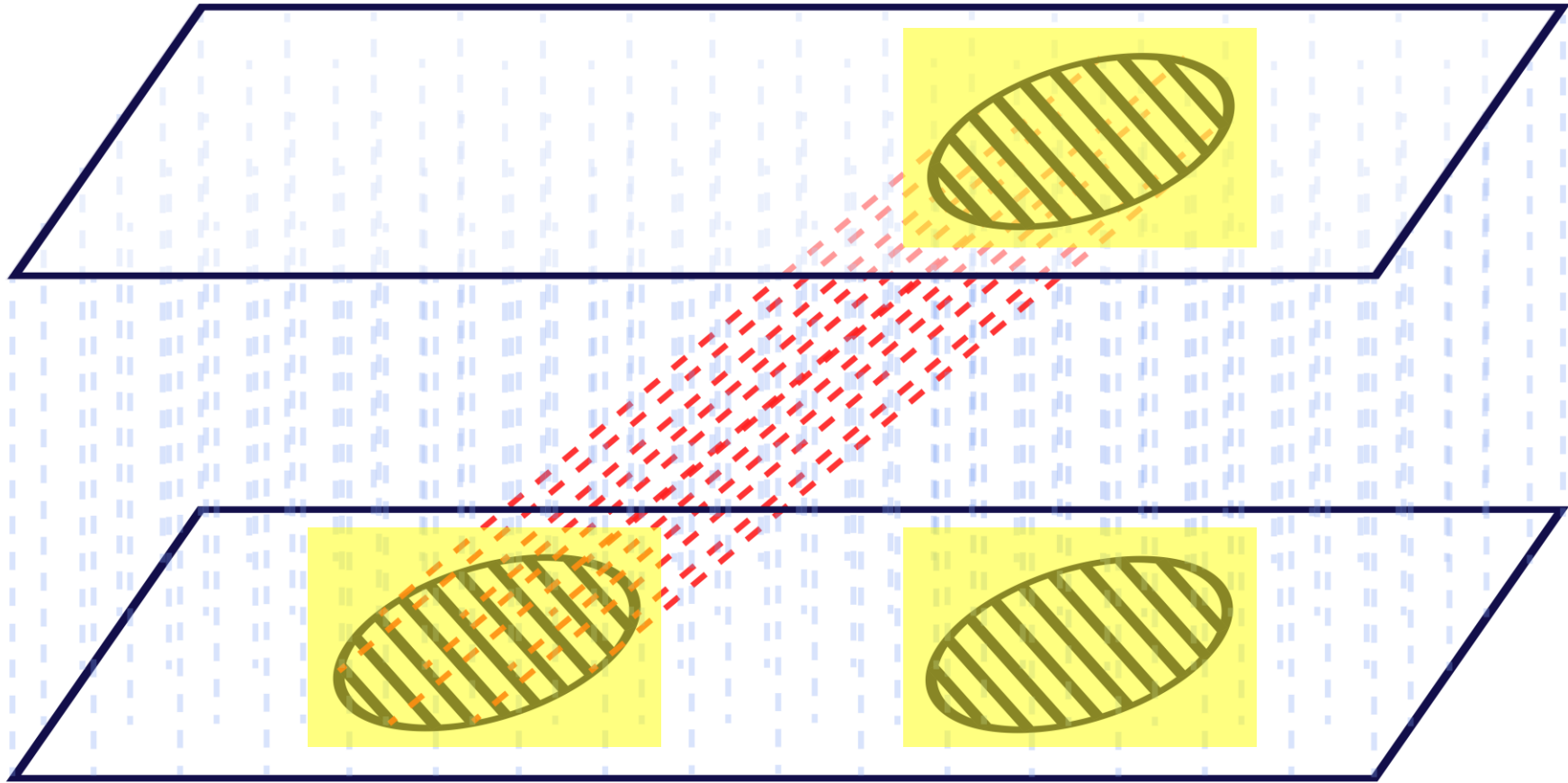
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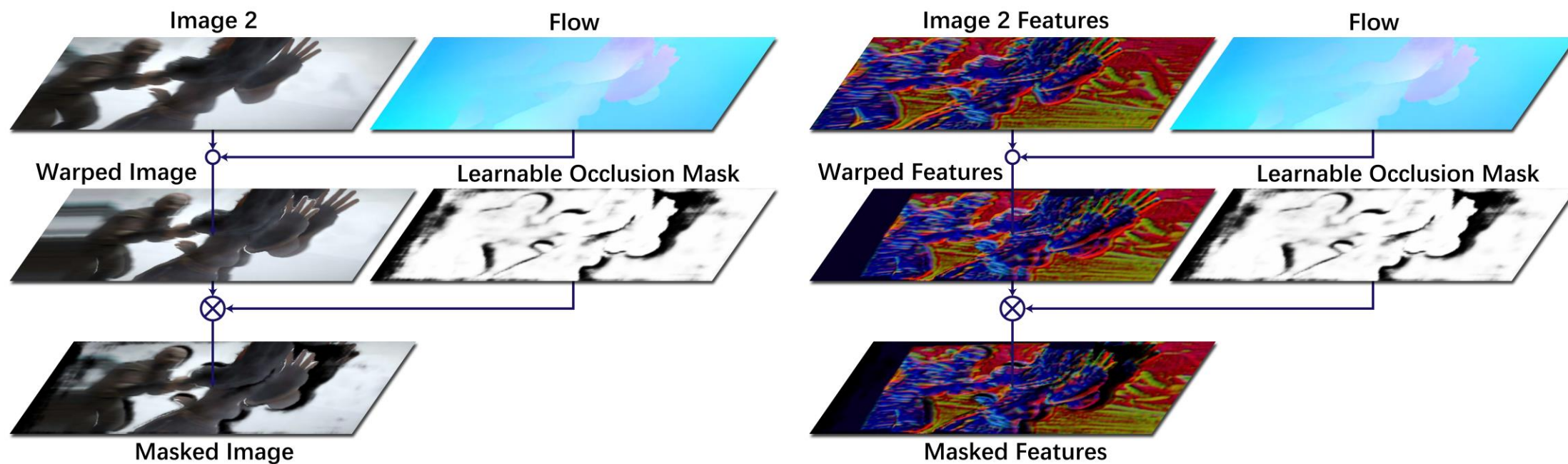
PWC-Net



Motivation

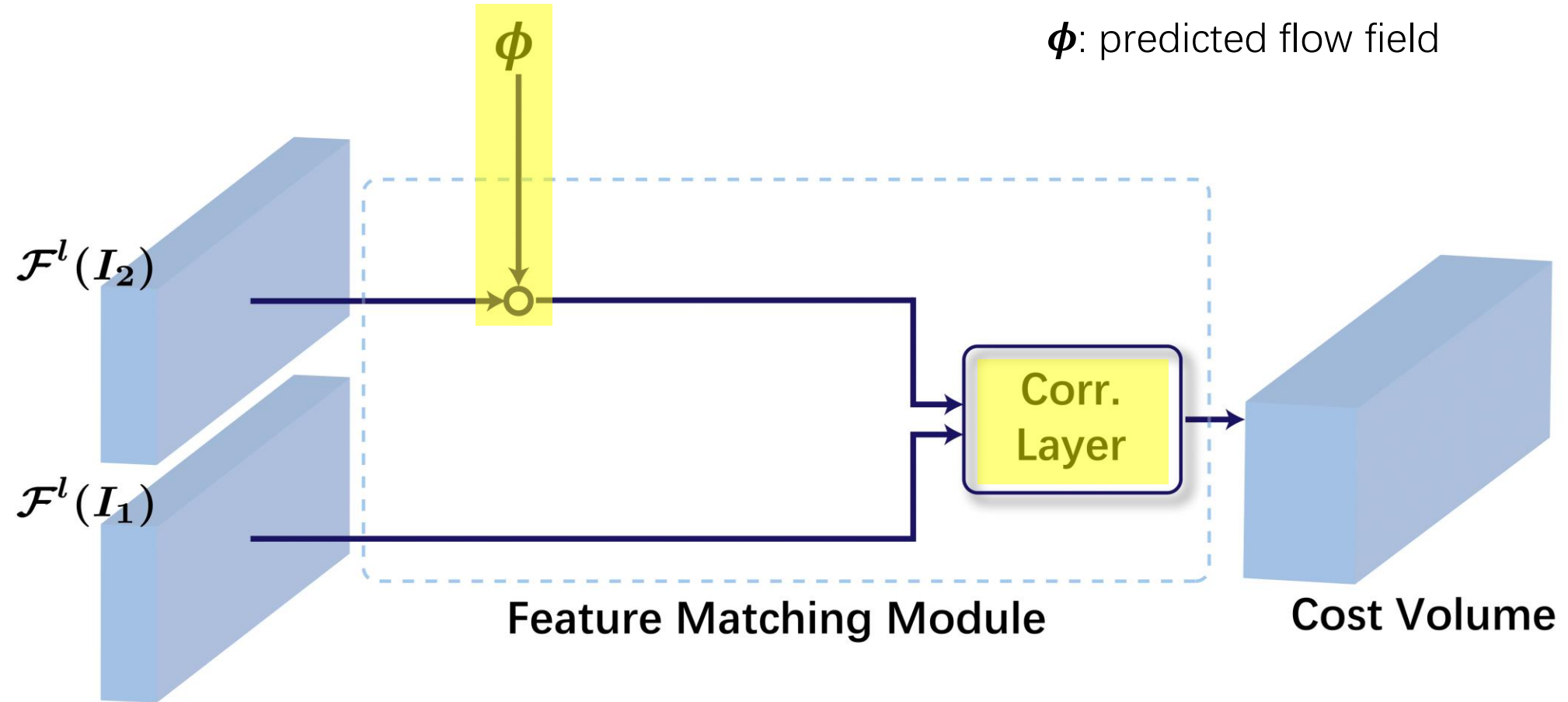


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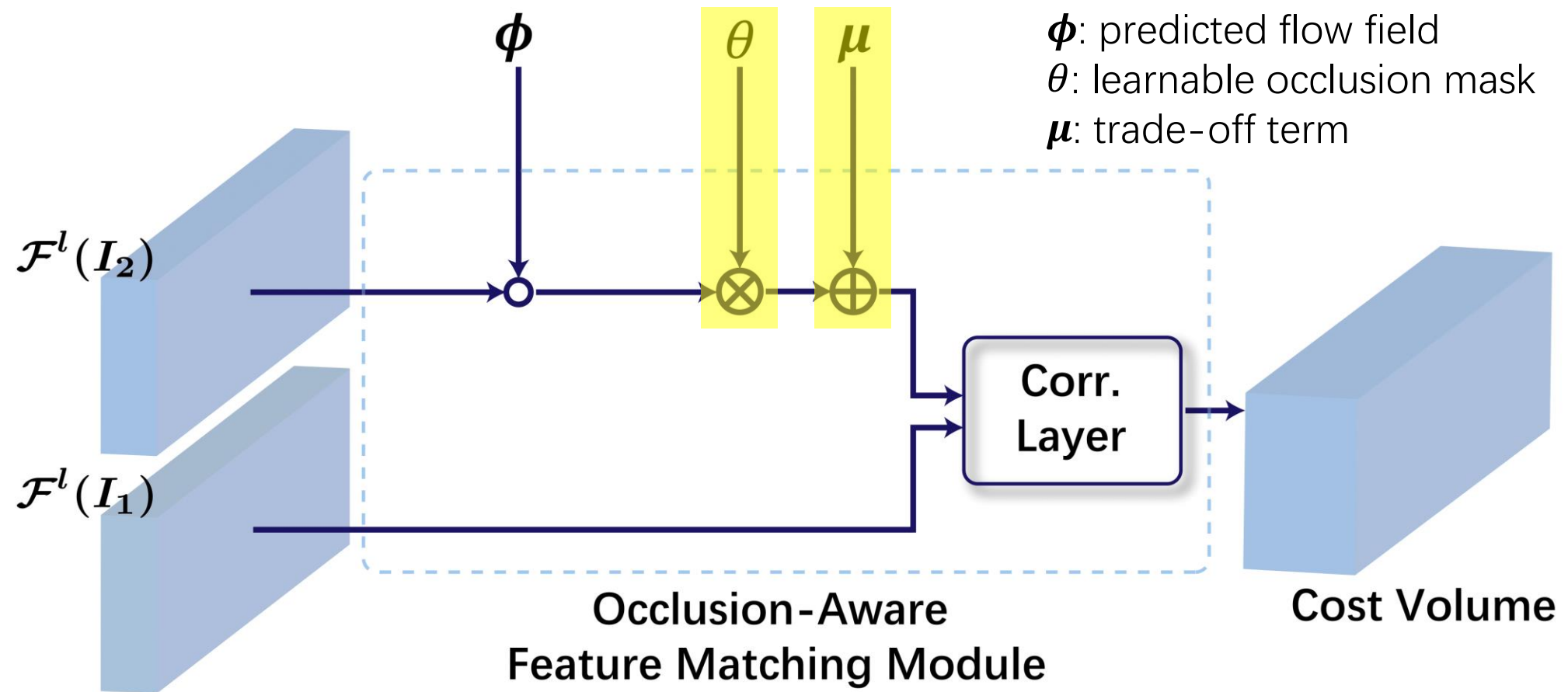


Occlusion-Aware Feature Matching

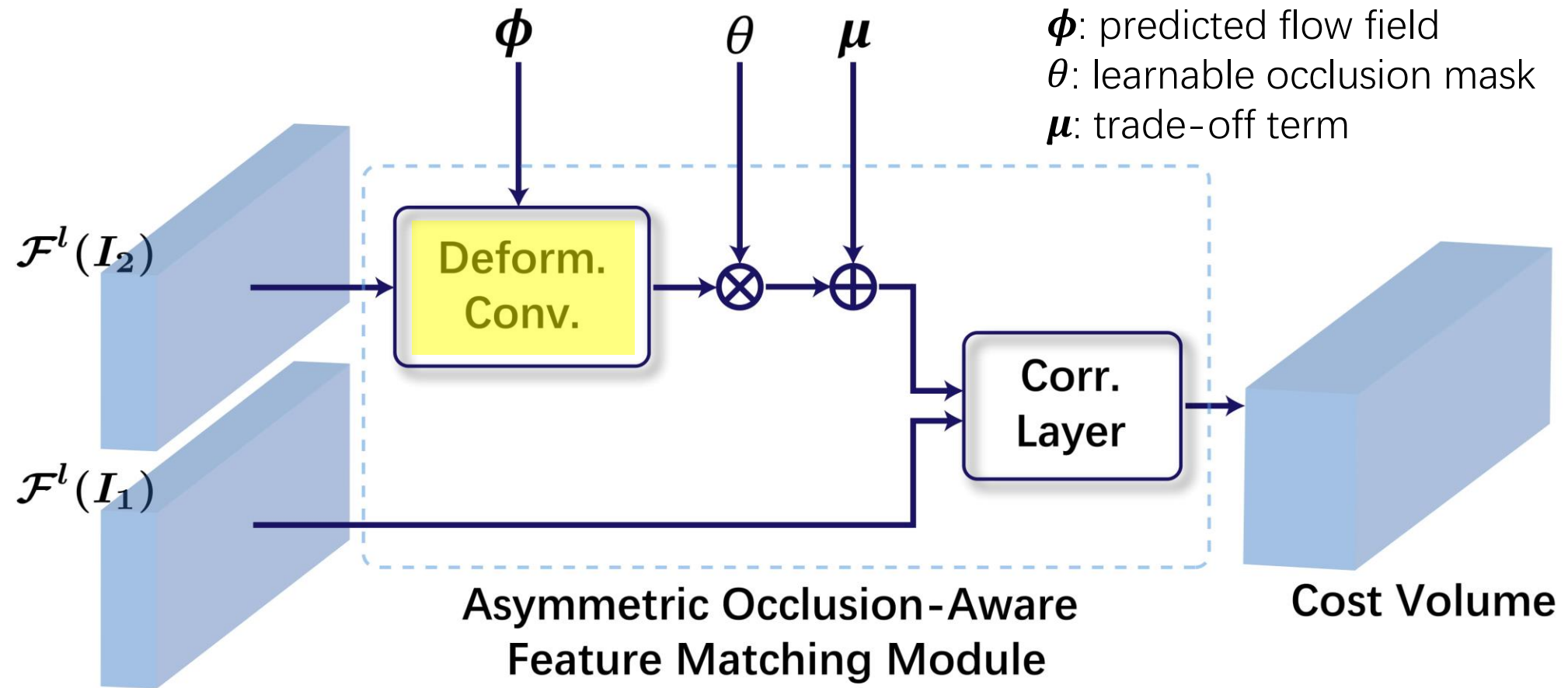
Feature Matching Module (FMM)



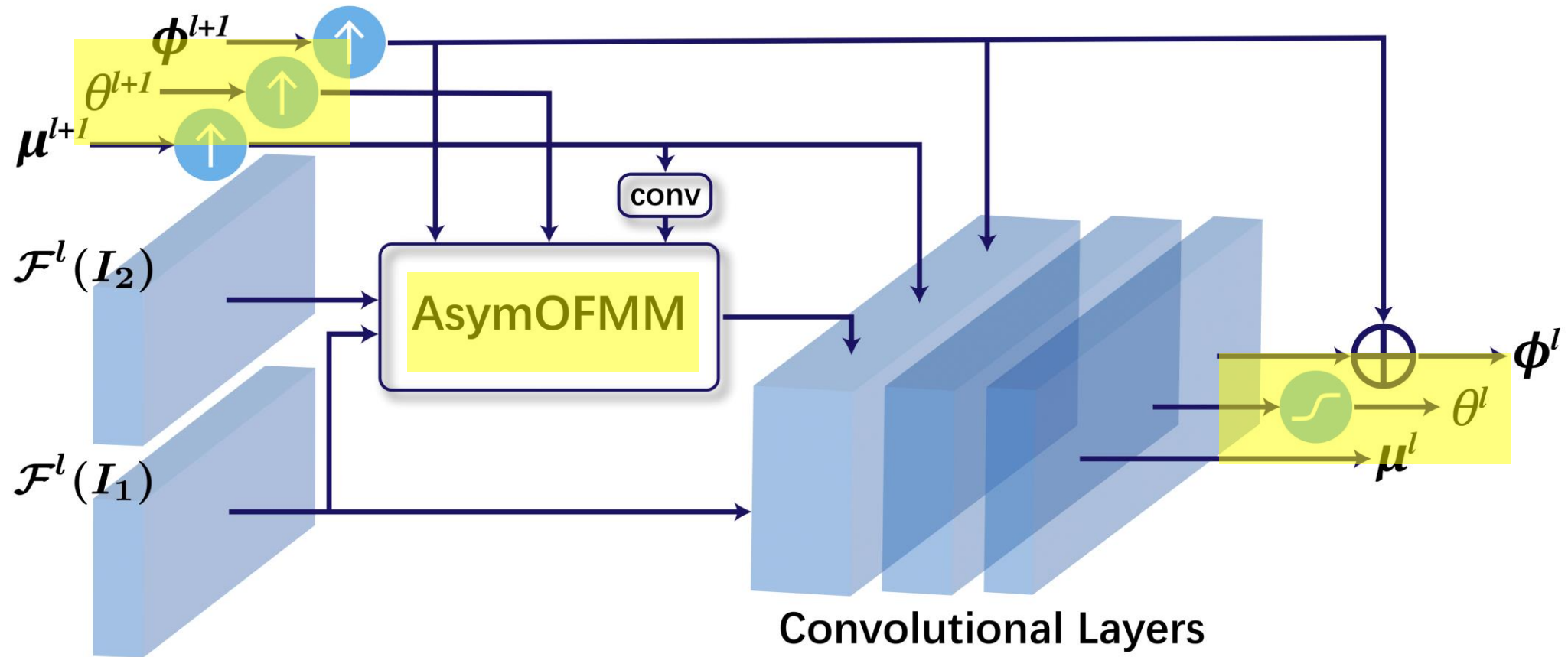
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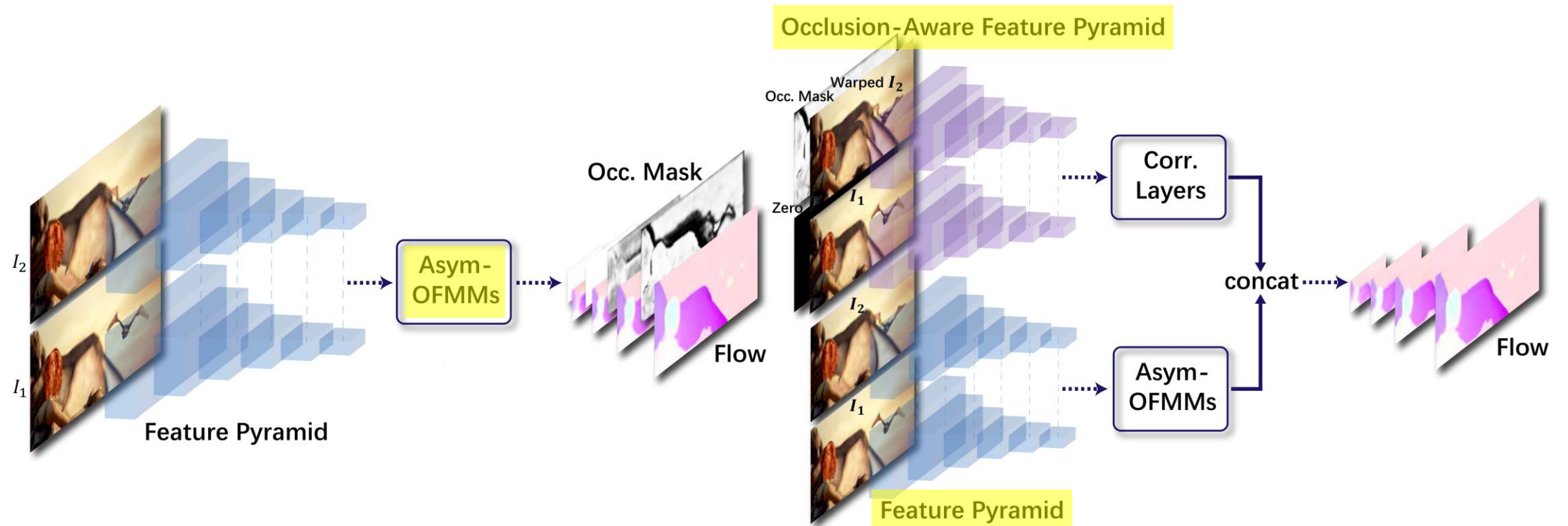
Asymmetric Occlusion-Aware Feature Matching Module (AsymOFMM)



Network Connections



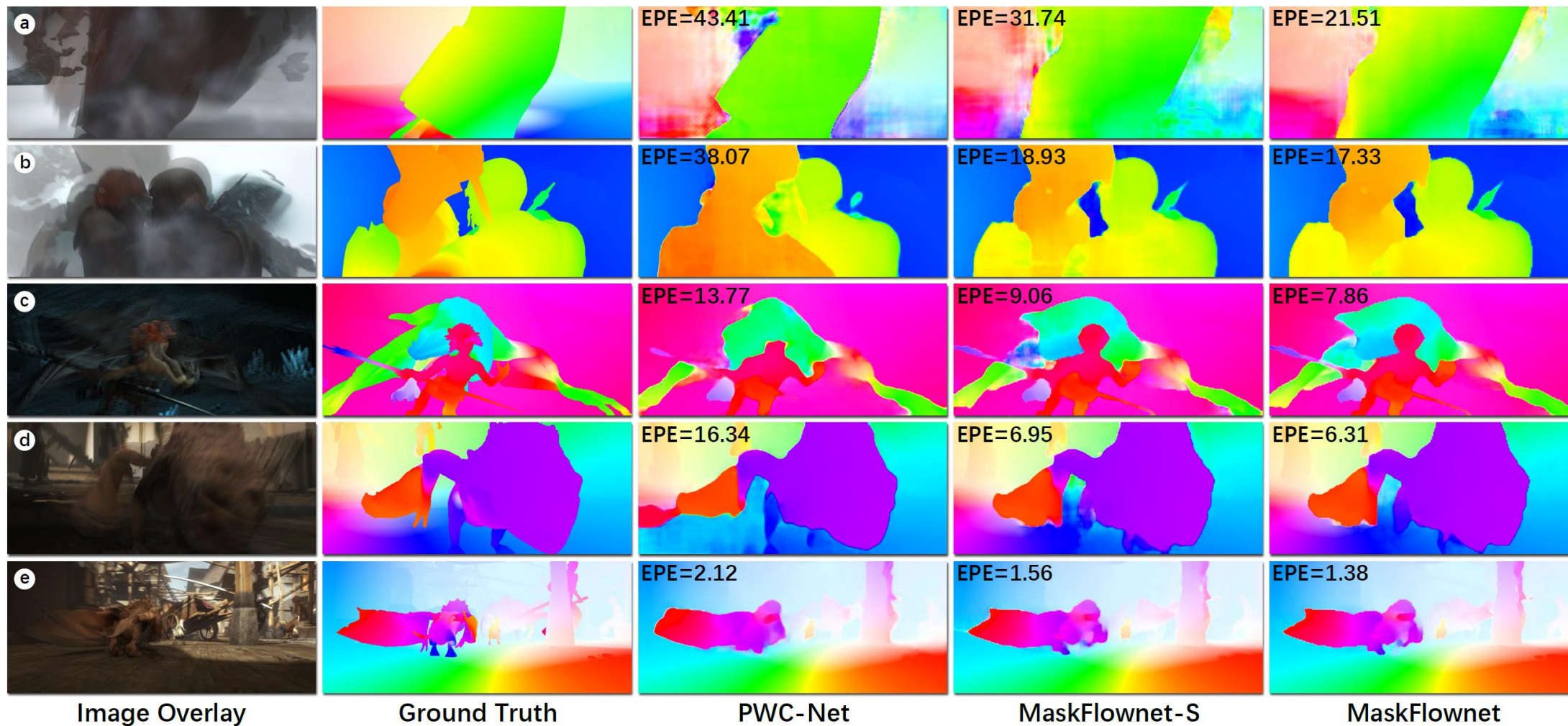
Overall Architecture



Main Results

| Method | Time | Sintel <i>clean</i> | | Sintel <i>final</i> | | KITTI 2012 | | KITTI 2015 | |
|-------------------|------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| | (s) | AEPE <i>train</i> | AEPE <i>test</i> | AEPE <i>train</i> | AEPE <i>test</i> | AEPE <i>train</i> | AEPE <i>test</i> | Fl-all <i>train</i> | Fl-all <i>test</i> |
| FlowNetS [8] | 0.01 | 3.66 | 6.16 | 4.76 | 7.22 | 6.07 | 7.6 | - | - |
| FlowNetC [8] | 0.05 | 3.57 | 6.08 | 5.25 | 7.88 | 7.31 | - | - | - |
| FlowNet2 [14] | 0.12 | 2.02 | 3.96 | 3.14 | 6.02 | 4.09 | 1.8 | 28.20% | 11.48% |
| SpyNet [26] | 0.16 | 4.12 | 6.64 | 5.57 | 8.36 | 9.12 | 4.1 | - | 35.07% |
| MR-Flow [37] | 480 | - | 2.53 | - | 5.38 | - | - | - | 12.19% |
| LiteFlowNet [11] | 0.09 | 2.48 | 4.54 | 4.04 | 5.38 | 4.00 | 1.6 | 28.50% | 9.38% |
| LiteFlowNet2 [12] | 0.04 | 2.24 | 3.45 | 3.78 | 4.90 | 3.42 | 1.4 | 25.88% | 7.74% |
| PWC-Net [31] | 0.03 | 2.55 | 3.86 | 3.93 | 5.13 | 4.14 | 1.7 | 33.67% | 9.60% |
| PWC-Net+ [30] | 0.03 | - | 3.45 | - | 4.60 | - | 1.5 | - | 7.90% |
| SelFlow [18] | 0.09 | - | 3.74 | - | 4.26 | - | 1.5 | - | 8.42% |
| VCN [39] | 0.03 | 2.21 | 2.81 | 3.62 | 4.40 | - | - | 25.1% | 6.30% |
| MaskFlownet-S | 0.03 | 2.33 | 2.77 | 3.72 | 4.38 | 3.21 | 1.1 | 23.58% | 6.81% |
| MaskFlownet | 0.06 | 2.25 | 2.52 | 3.61 | 4.17 | 2.94 | 1.1 | 23.14% | 6.11% |

Qualitative Comparison



Main Result

Ablation Study

| Module | Trained on Chairs | | | Things3D | | Sintel | |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Chairs <i>test</i> | Sintel (<i>train</i>) | | Sintel (<i>train</i>) | | Sintel (<i>val</i>) | |
| | | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> |
| FMM | 1.61 | 3.25 | 4.59 | 2.55 | 4.05 | 3.02 | 4.70 |
| OFMM | 1.62 | 3.20 | 4.50 | 2.52 | 4.01 | 3.06 | 4.52 |
| AsymOFMM | 1.56 | 2.88 | 4.25 | 2.33 | 3.72 | 2.70 | 4.07 |

| Module | Trained on Chairs | | | Things3D | |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | Chairs <i>test</i> | Sintel (<i>train</i>) | | Sintel (<i>train</i>) | |
| | | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> |
| OFMM | 1.62 | 3.20 | 4.50 | 2.52 | 4.01 |
| + sym-conv | 1.61 | 3.33 | 4.64 | 2.54 | 3.84 |
| + asym-conv | 1.52 | 2.96 | 4.29 | 2.41 | 3.85 |
| + deform-conv | 1.56 | 2.88 | 4.25 | 2.33 | 3.72 |

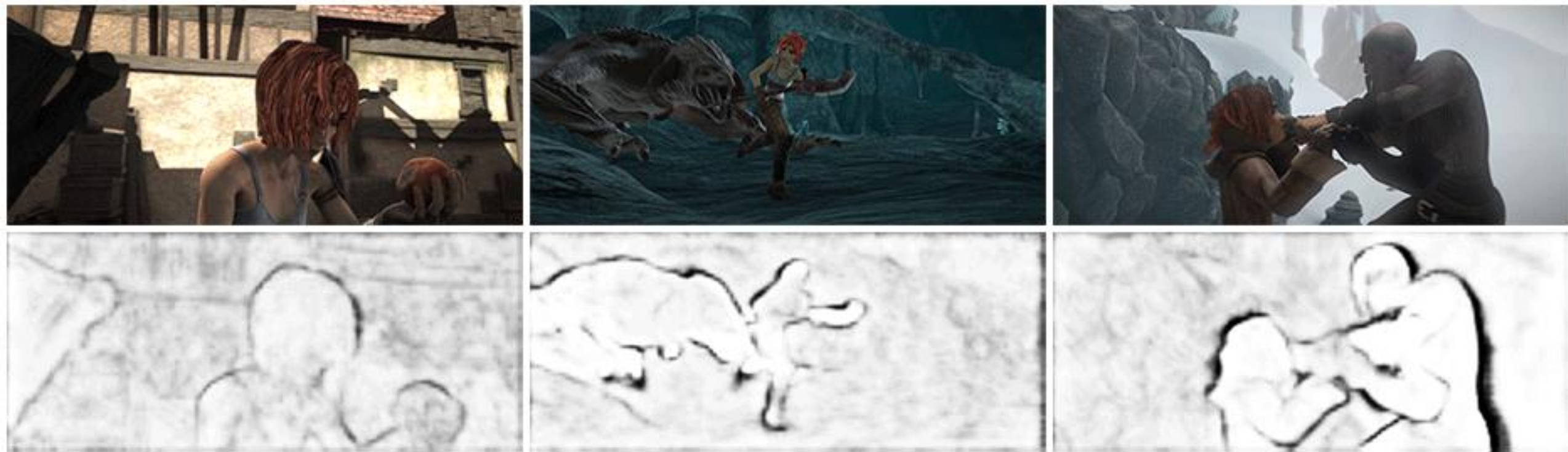
| Network | Tuned on Sintel | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Sintel (<i>val</i>) | |
| | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> |
| MaskFlowNet-S | 2.70 | 4.07 |
| + single pyramid w/o mask | 2.53 | 3.90 |
| + single pyramid w/ mask | 2.55 | 3.88 |
| + dual pyramids w/o mask | 2.52 | 3.85 |
| + dual pyramids w/ mask | 2.52 | 3.83 |

| Module (AsymOFMM) | Trained on Chairs | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | Chairs <i>test</i> | Sintel (<i>train</i>) | |
| | | <i>clean</i> | <i>final</i> |
| w/o mask w/o trade-off | 1.58 | 3.08 | 4.29 |
| w/ mask w/o trade-off | 1.60 | 3.06 | 4.32 |
| w/o mask w/ trade-off | 1.58 | 2.97 | 4.30 |
| (w/ mask w/ trade-off) | 1.56 | 2.88 | 4.25 |

Learnable Occlusion Mask



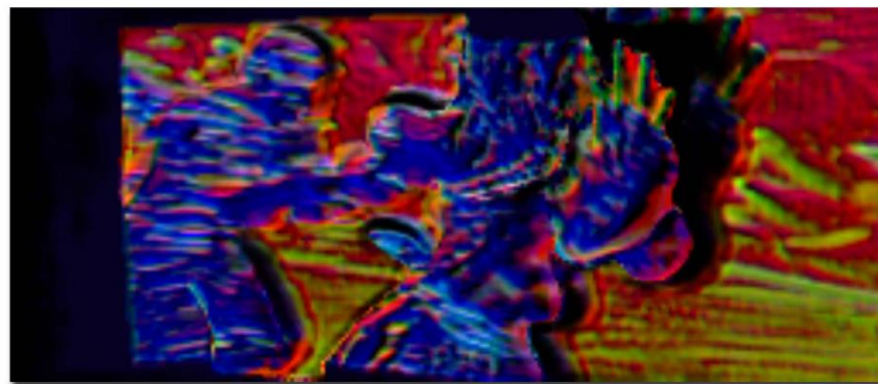
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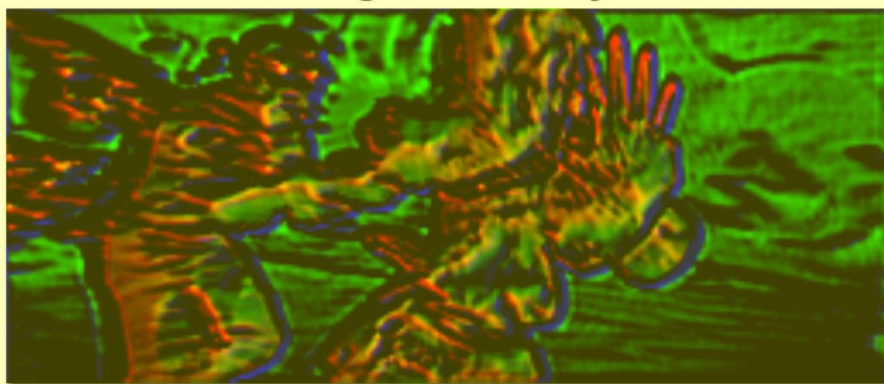
Asymmetry



Image Overlay



Masked Features

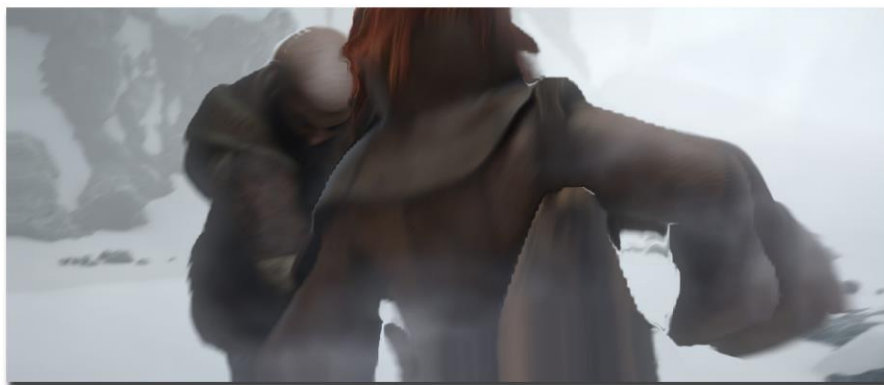


Source Features



Target Features

The Trade-off Term



Warped Image



w/o Trade-off



w/ Skip Connection



w/ Trade-off

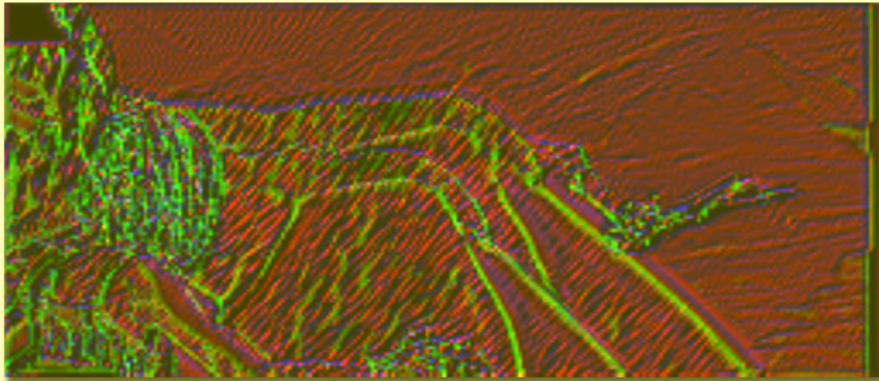
Occlusion-aware Feature Pyramid



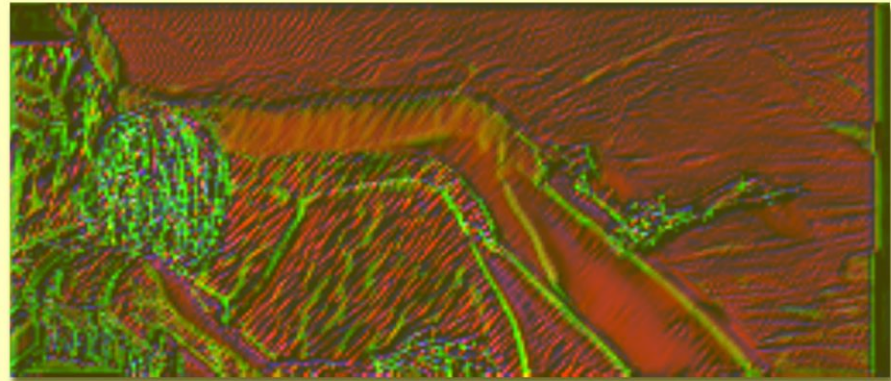
Warped Image



Occ. Mask



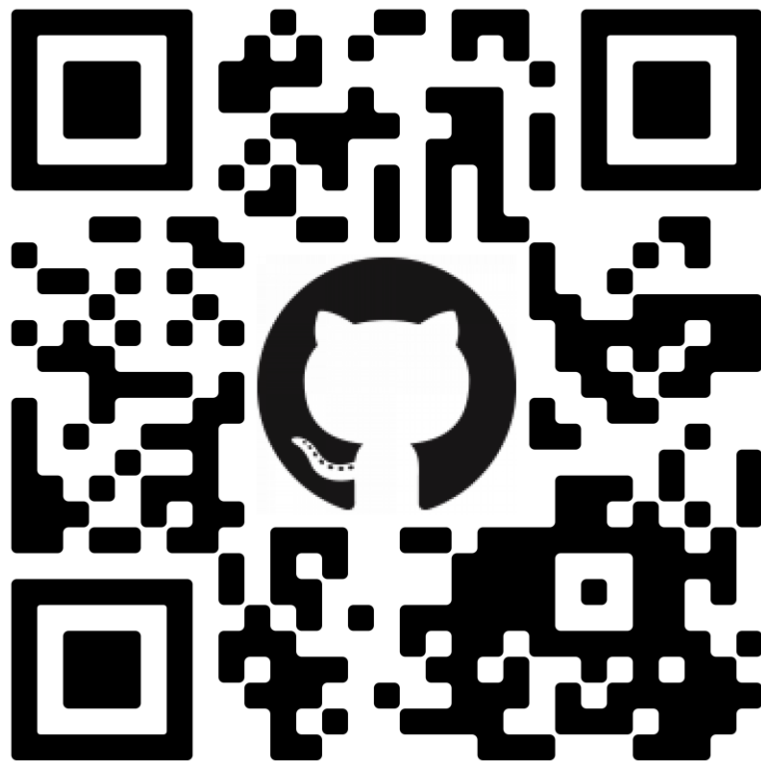
Features w/o Mask



Features w/ Mask

Conclusion

- Learning occlusion mask without any explicit supervision.
- Asymmetric design of feature matching module.
- Easily integrable and nearly costless.
- New perspective on how to deal with occlusions for both supervised and unsupervised optical flow estimation.



<https://github.com/microsoft/MaskFlowNet>

<https://www.msra.cn/zh-cn/news/features/cvpr-2020-maskflownet>