

# Master Thesis: Fast Sparse Light Field Reconstruction with Shearlet-Based Inpainting

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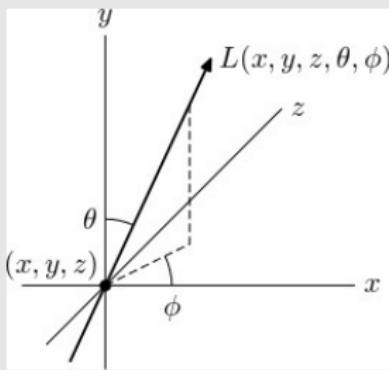
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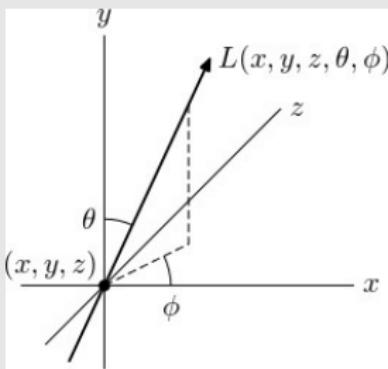
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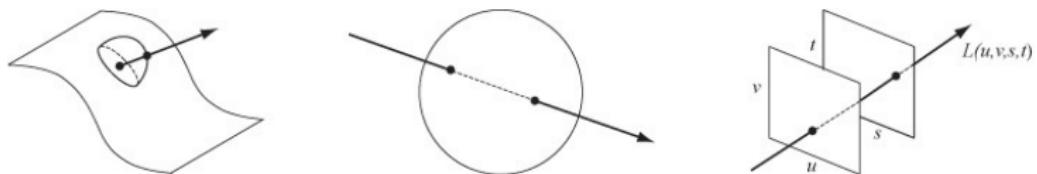
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- ▶ The plenoptic function can be simplified to a 4D function  $L_4$ , called 4D Light Field or simply Light Field, which quantifies the intensity of static and monochromatic light rays propagating in half space.

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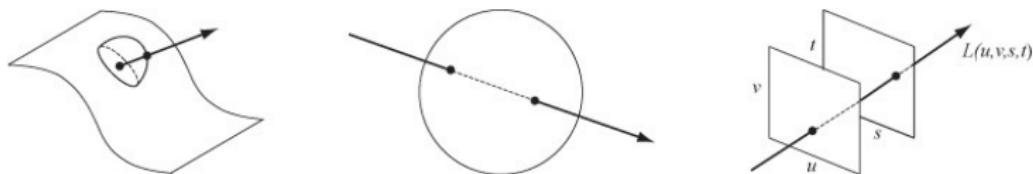


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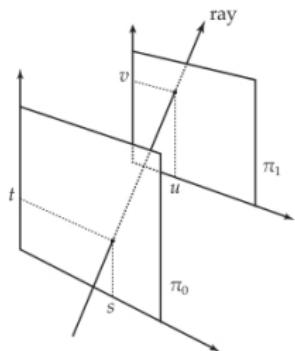


Figure: Used representation: "Two plane parametrization".

## Light Field Reconstruction Using Shearlet Transform

Suren Vagharshakyan, Robert Bregovic and Atanas Gotchev, *Member, IEEE*

**Abstract**—In this article we develop an image based rendering technique based on light field reconstruction from a limited set of perspective views acquired by cameras. Our approach utilizes sparse representation of epipolar-plane images in a directionally sensitive transform domain, obtained by an adapted discrete shearlet transform. The used iterative thresholding algorithm provides high-quality reconstruction results for relatively big disparities between neighboring views. The generated densely sampled light field of a given 3D scene is thus suitable for all applications which requires light field reconstruction. The proposed algorithm is compared favorably against state of the art depth image based rendering techniques.

**Index Terms**—Image-based rendering, light field reconstruction, shearlets, frames, view synthesis.

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*An article about computational result is advertising, not scholarship. The actual scholarship is the full software environment, code and data, that produced the result.*

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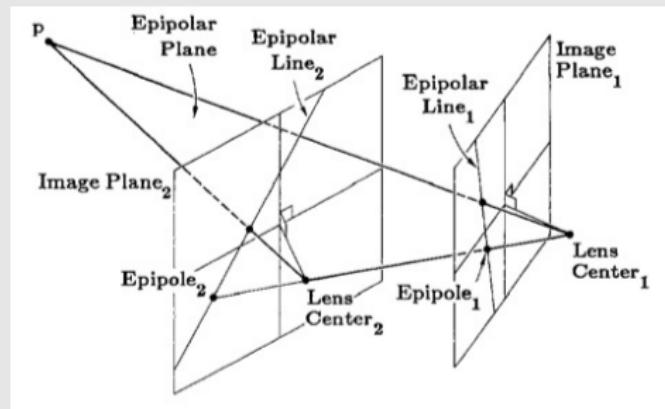
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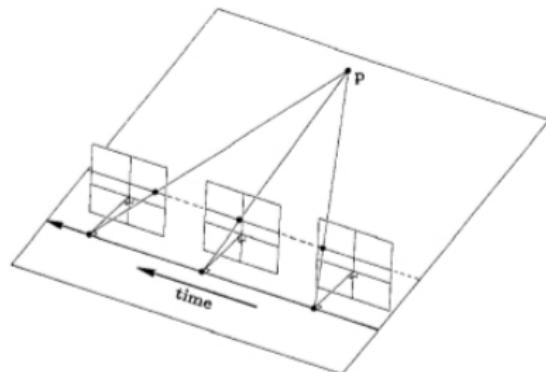
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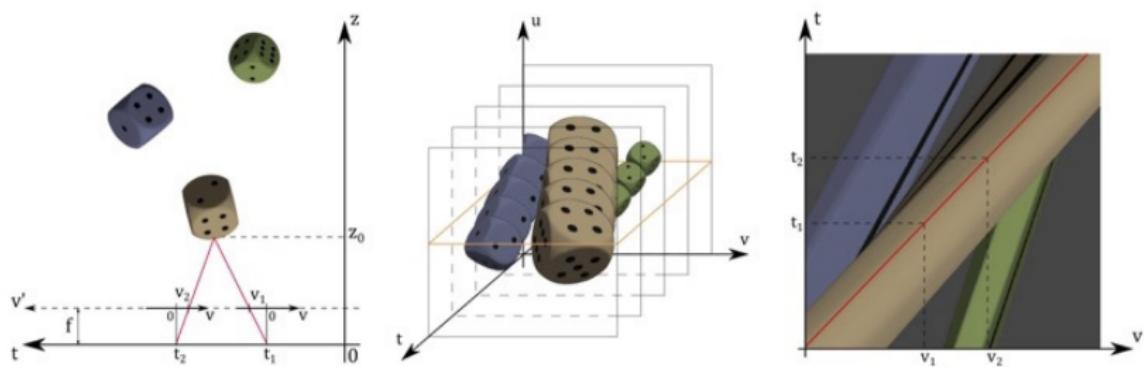
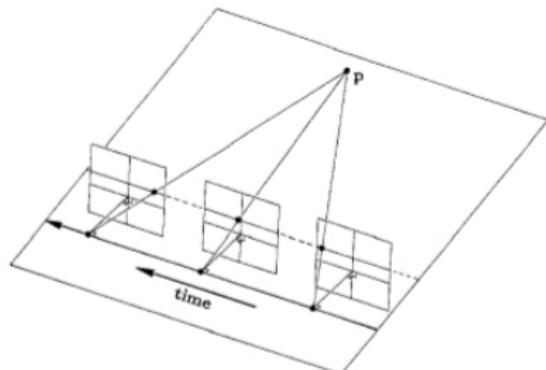
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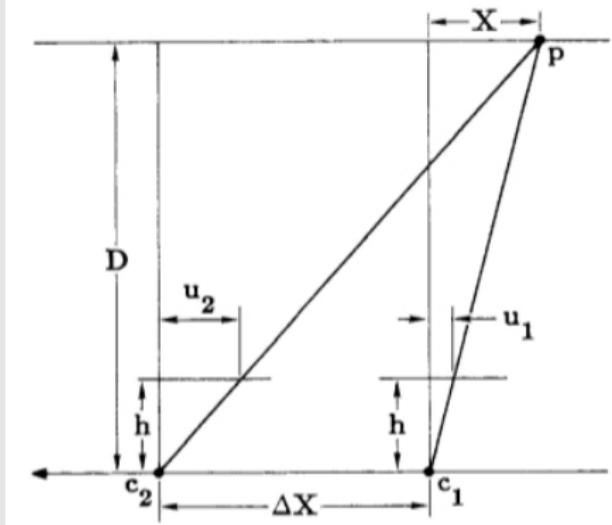
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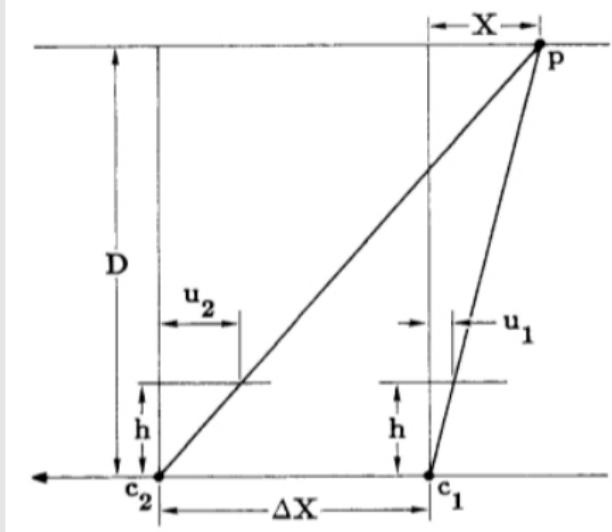
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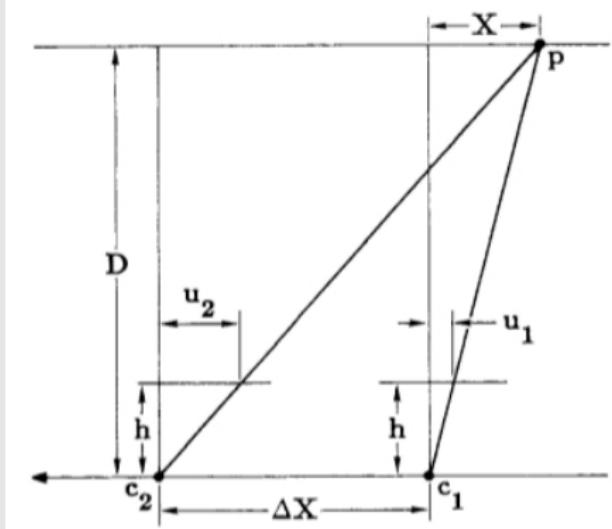


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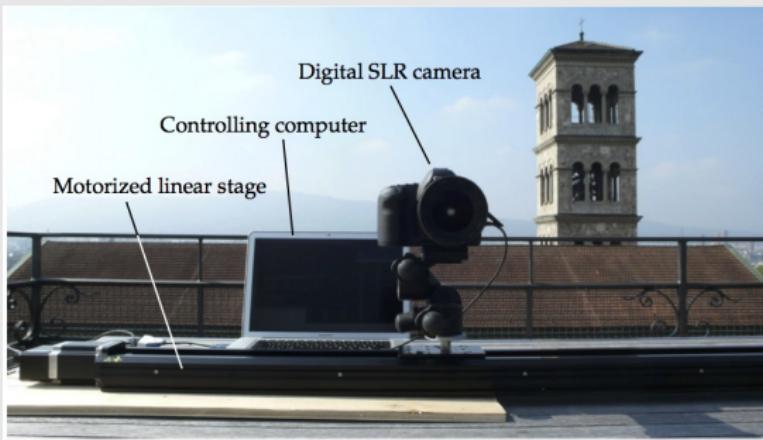
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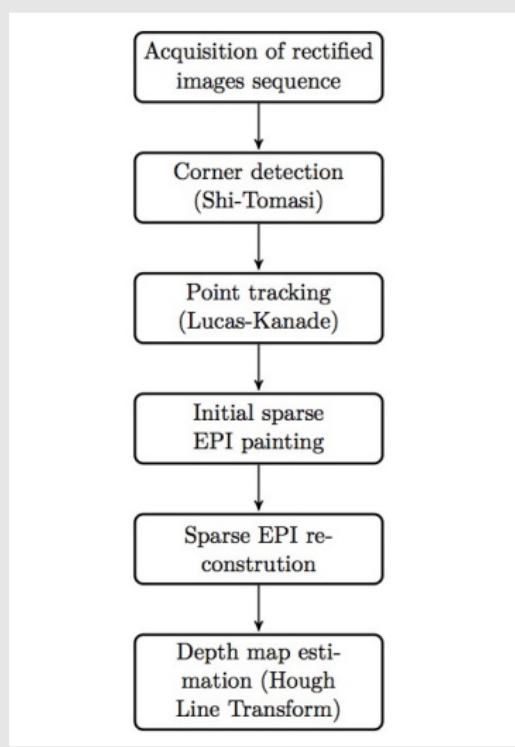
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# Followed Pipeline



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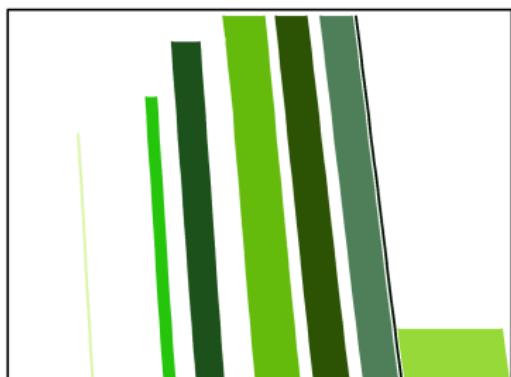
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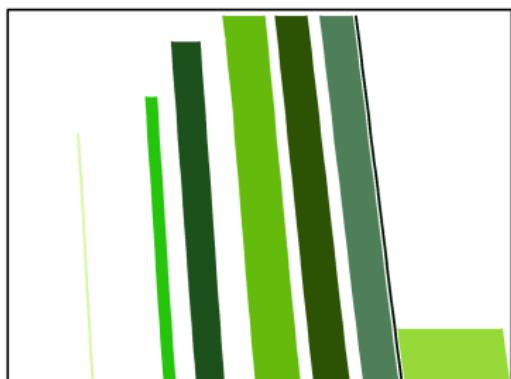
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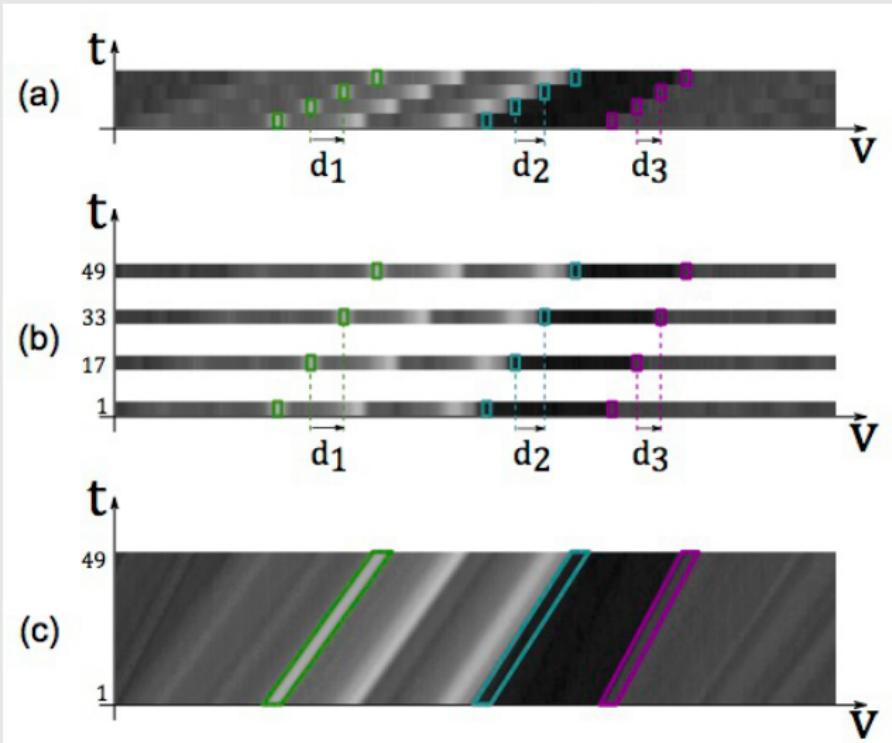
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# Reconstruction Method with Inpainting



# Important Tool: Frame Theory

## Orthonormal Basis

If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a Hilbert space and  $(\phi_i)_{i \in I} \subset \mathcal{H}$  is an orthonormal basis then

$$x = \sum_{i \in I} \langle x, \phi_i \rangle \phi_i, \forall x \in \mathcal{H} \implies \|x\|^2 = \sum_{i \in I} |\langle x, \phi_i \rangle|^2$$

## Frames

Let  $I$  be a set of countable indices. A sequence  $(\phi_i)_{i \in I}$  in a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  is called a **frame** of  $H$ , if there exist constants  $0 < A \leq B < \infty$  such that

$$A\|x\|^2 \leq \sum_{i \in I} |\langle x, \phi_i \rangle|^2 \leq B\|x\|^2, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$$

$A$  and  $B$  are called lower and upper frame bound. Moreover, if  $A$  and  $B$  can be chosen to be equal, we call it ( $A$ -)tight frame. If  $A = B = 1$  is possible,  $(\phi_i)_{i \in I}$  forms a Parseval frame. A frame  $(\phi_i)_{i \in I}$  span  $\mathcal{H}$ .

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$$\min_{c \in \ell^2(I)} \|c\|_{\ell^0(I)} \quad \text{subject to} \quad P_K x^0 = P_K T_\Phi^* c = \sum_{i \in I} c_i P_K \phi_i$$

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$$\sigma_N(f, \{\psi_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}) = O(N^{-1})$$

In the case of 2D-wavelets

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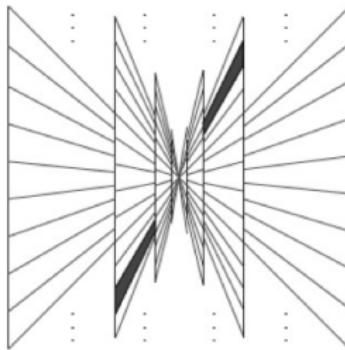
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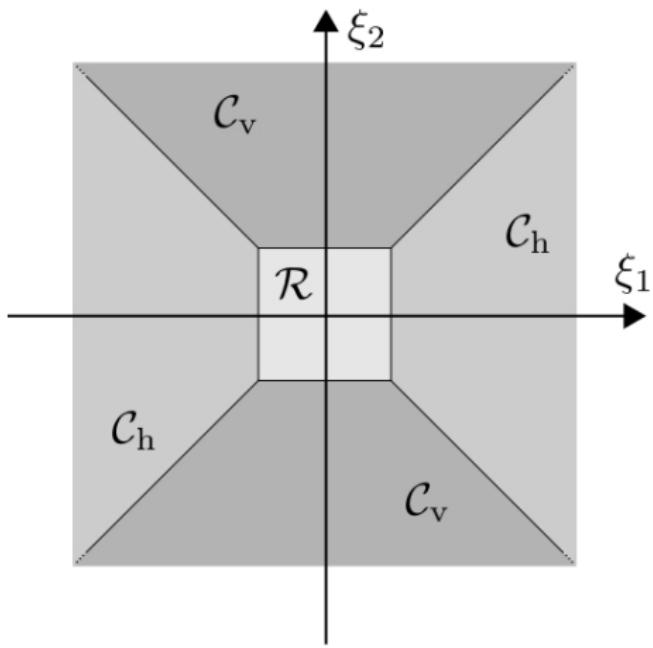
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$$\mathcal{SH}(\phi, \psi, \tilde{\psi}, c) := P_{\mathcal{R}}\Phi(\phi, c_1) \cup P_{\mathcal{C}_h}\Psi(\psi, c) \cup P_{\mathcal{C}_v}\tilde{\Psi}(\tilde{\psi}, c)$$



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## Meyer and Corona Scaling Functions

Let  $\phi \in \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R})$  with  $0 \leq \hat{\phi} \leq 1$ ,  $\hat{\phi}(u) = 1$  for  $u \in [-1/16, 1/16]$  and  $\text{supp}(\hat{\phi}) \subset [-1/8, 1/8]$ ; then  $\phi$  is usually called **Meyer scaling function**. One can define then the **corona scaling function** for  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  for  $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  by

$$\hat{\Phi}(\xi) := \hat{\phi}(\xi_1)\hat{\phi}(\xi_2)$$

$$W(\xi) := \sqrt{\hat{\Phi}^2(2^{-2}\xi) - \hat{\Phi}^2(\xi)}$$

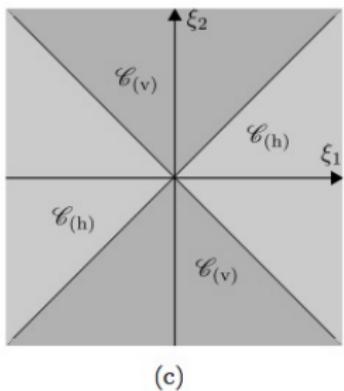
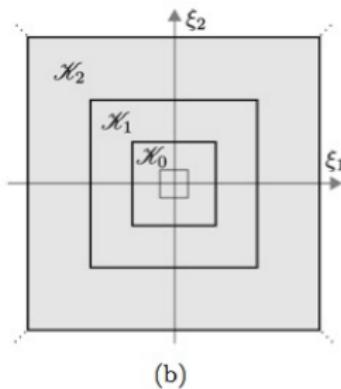
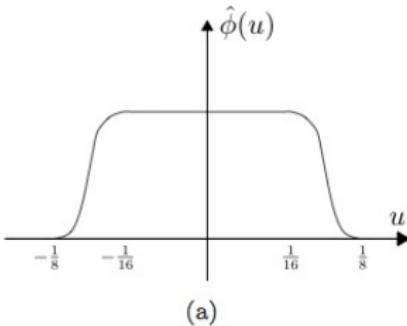
$$W_j(\xi) := W(2^{-2j}\xi)$$

The functions  $W_j$  are compactly supported in corona-shaped scaling levels  $\mathcal{K}_j := [2^{-2j-1}, 2^{2j-1}]^2 \setminus (-2^{2j-4}, 2^{2j-4})^2$ .

## Bump-like Function

A **bump-like** function is defined as  $v \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\text{supp}(v) \subset [-1, 1]$  and

$$|v(u-1)|^2 + |v(u)|^2 + |v(u+1)|^2 = 1 \quad \text{for } u \in [-1, 1] \quad , \text{and}$$
$$v(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad v^{(n)}(0) = 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$



## Scaling and Shearing Matrices

Let  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha_j \in (-\infty, 2)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

$$A_{j,\alpha_j,(h)} := \begin{pmatrix} 2^j & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{\alpha_j j/2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_{k,(h)} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Adapted Cone Functions

Let  $\iota \in \{h, v\}$  and  $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then

$$V_{(h)}(\xi) := v(\xi_2/\xi_1), \quad V_{(v)}(\xi) := v(\xi_1/\xi_2), \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

## Ingredients for the Universal Shearlet System

Let  $\Phi, W, V_{(h)}, V_{(v)} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  be defined as before.

1. **Coarse scaling functions:** For  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we set

$$\psi_{-1,k} := \Phi(x - k), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

2. **Interior shearlets:** Let  $\alpha_j \in (-\infty, 2)$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $|k| < 2^{(2-\alpha)j/2}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  and  $\iota \in \{h, v\}$ . The shearlets will be given by

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\psi}_{j,k,m}^{\alpha_j,(\iota)}(\xi) := & 2^{-(\alpha_j+2)j/4} W(2^{-j}\xi) V_{(\iota)}(\xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(\iota)} S_{-k,(\iota)}) \\ & e^{-2\pi i \xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(\iota)} S_{-k,(\iota)}}, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^2\end{aligned}$$

3. **Boundary shearlets:** For  $\alpha_j \in (-\infty, 2)$ ,  $j \geq 1$ ,  $k = \pm \lceil 2^{(2-\alpha_j)j/2} \rceil$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we define

$$\hat{\psi}_{j,k,m}^{\alpha_j} := \begin{cases} 2^{-(\alpha_j+2)j/4-1/4} & W(2^{-j}\xi) V_{(h)}(\xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(h)} S_{-k,(h)}) \\ & e^{-\pi i \xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(h)} S_{-k,(h)} m}, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{C}_{(h)}, \\ 2^{-(\alpha_j+2)j/4-1/4} & W(2^{-j}\xi) V_{(v)}(\xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(v)} S_{-k,(v)}) \\ & e^{-\pi i \xi^\top A_{-j,\alpha_j,(v)} S_{-k,(h)} m}, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{C}_{(v)} \end{cases}$$

and in the case  $j = 0$ ,  $k = \pm 1$ , we define

$$\hat{\psi}_{0,k,m}^{\alpha_j} := \begin{cases} W(\xi) V_{(h)}(\xi^\top S_{-k,(h)}) e^{-2\pi i \xi^\top m}, & \xi \in \mathcal{C}_{(h)}, \\ W(\xi) V_{(v)}(\xi^\top S_{-k,(v)}) e^{-2\pi i \xi^\top m}, & \xi \in \mathcal{C}_{(v)}. \end{cases}$$

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## Scaling Sequence

A sequence  $(\alpha_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}_0} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is called a scaling sequence if

$$\alpha_j \in A_j := \{2n/j | n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \leq j-1\} = \{\dots, -4/j, -2/j, 0, 2/j, \dots, 2-2/j\}$$

## Universal Shearlet System

Let  $(\alpha_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}_0}$  be a scaling sequence,  $\phi$  a Meyer scaling function and  $v$  a bump-like function, then **the universal shearlet system** is given by

$\mathcal{SH}(\phi, v, (\alpha_j)_j) := \mathcal{SH}_{\text{Low}}(\phi) \cup \mathcal{SH}_{\text{Int}}(\phi, v, (\alpha_j)_j) \cup \mathcal{SH}_{\text{Bound}}(\phi, v, (\alpha_j)_j)$ ,  
where

$$\mathcal{SH}_{\text{Low}}(\phi) := \{\psi_{-1,m} | m \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{SH}_{\text{Int}}(\phi, v, (\alpha_j)_j) := \{\psi_{j,k,m}^{\alpha_j, (\iota)} | j \geq 0, |k| < 2^{(2-\alpha_j)j/2}, m \in \mathbb{Z}^2, \iota \in \{h, v\}\},$$

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## Parseval Frame Property (G. Kutyniok, M. Genzel, 2014)

If  $(\alpha_j)_j$  is a scaling sequence then  $\mathcal{SH}(\phi, v, (\alpha_j)_j)$  is a Parseval frame for  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .

## 0-Shearlets System

The 0-Shearlets System are obtained by selecting the scaling sequence  $(\alpha_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} = (-2/j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$  on the Universal Shearlets System; they are sensible to linear singularities and have an associated scaling matrix given by

$$A_j = \begin{pmatrix} 2^j & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

We used the 0-Shearlets System as the selected sparsifying system for the sparse EPIs inpainting.

# Shearlet-based inpainting with iterative hard thresholding

## Algorithm

**Input** : Sparse EPI  $y$ , sampling matrix  $M$ ,  $\delta_{init}, \delta_{min}$ , iterations

**Compute**:  $x_0 := 0;$

$$\delta_0 := \delta_{init};$$

$$\lambda := (\delta_{min})^{1/(iterations-1)};$$

$$\Gamma_0 := supp(T(x_0));$$

$$\beta_0 := T_{\Gamma_0}(y - Mx_0);$$

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{||\beta_0||_2^2}{||MT^*(\beta_0)||_2^2};$$

**for**  $n := 0$  **to** (iterations-1) **do**

$$x_{n+1} = T^*(Thr_{\delta_n}(T(x_n + \alpha_n(y - Mx_n))));$$

$$\Gamma_{n+1} := supp(T(x_{n+1}));$$

$$\beta_{n+1} := T_{\Gamma_{n+1}}(y - Mx_{n+1});$$

$$\alpha_{n+1} := \frac{||\beta_{n+1}||_2^2}{||MT^*(\beta_{n+1})||};$$

$$\delta_{n+1} := \lambda \delta_n;$$

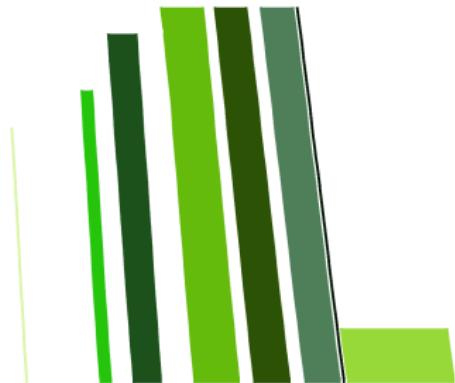
**end**

**Output** : Inpainted EPI  $x_{iterations}$

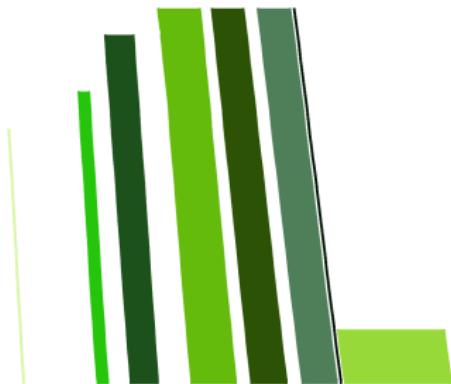
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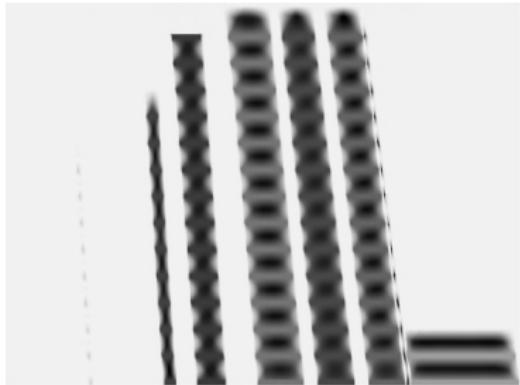
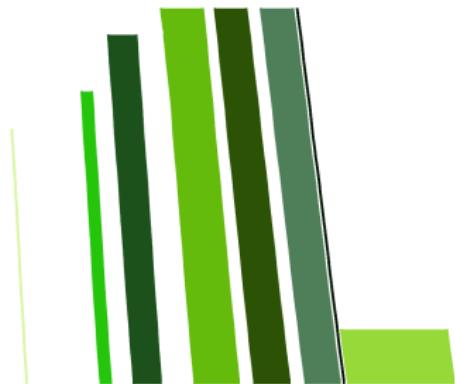
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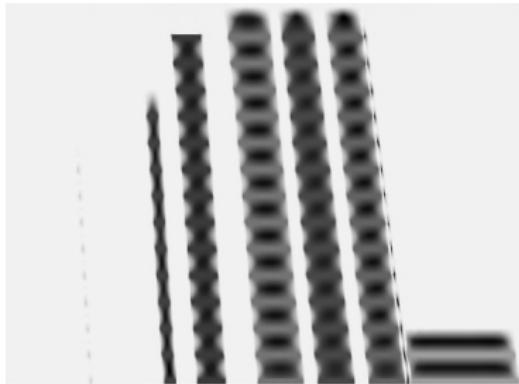
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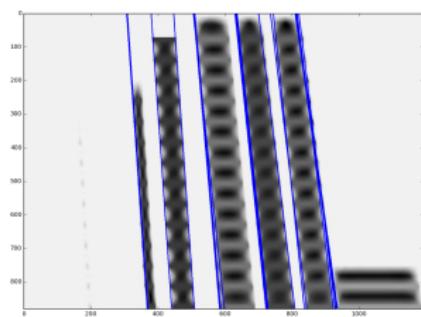
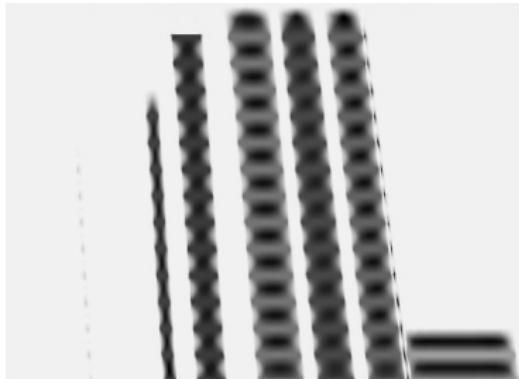
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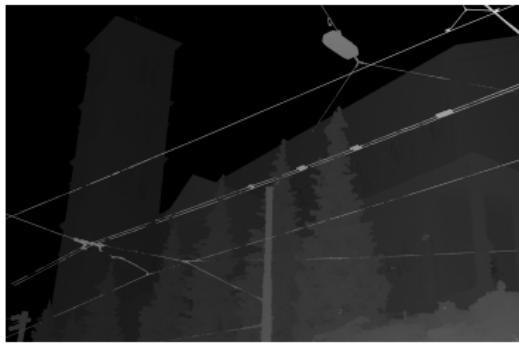
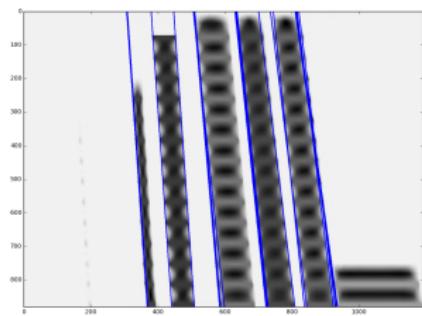
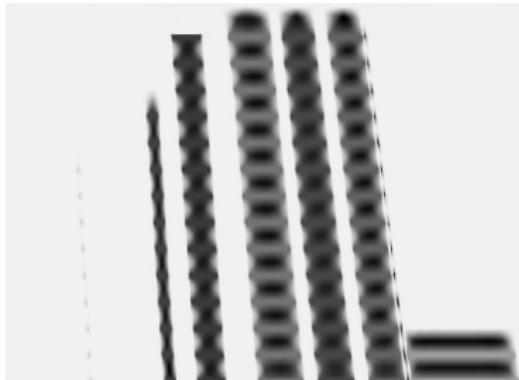
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# Conclusions and Outlook

Thanks!

Questions?

