



UNREAL ENGINE

Exploring AI Depth Estimation

in Compositing



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AI Depth Map

1. Generate depthmap from video using Google Colab
2. Depthmap as procedural garbage matte
3. Depthmap to generate Normal map for relighting in UE



1. Depthmap from Colab



https://github.com/dpredie/Midasv2_1_small-TFLite-Inference

(Colab for video files!)

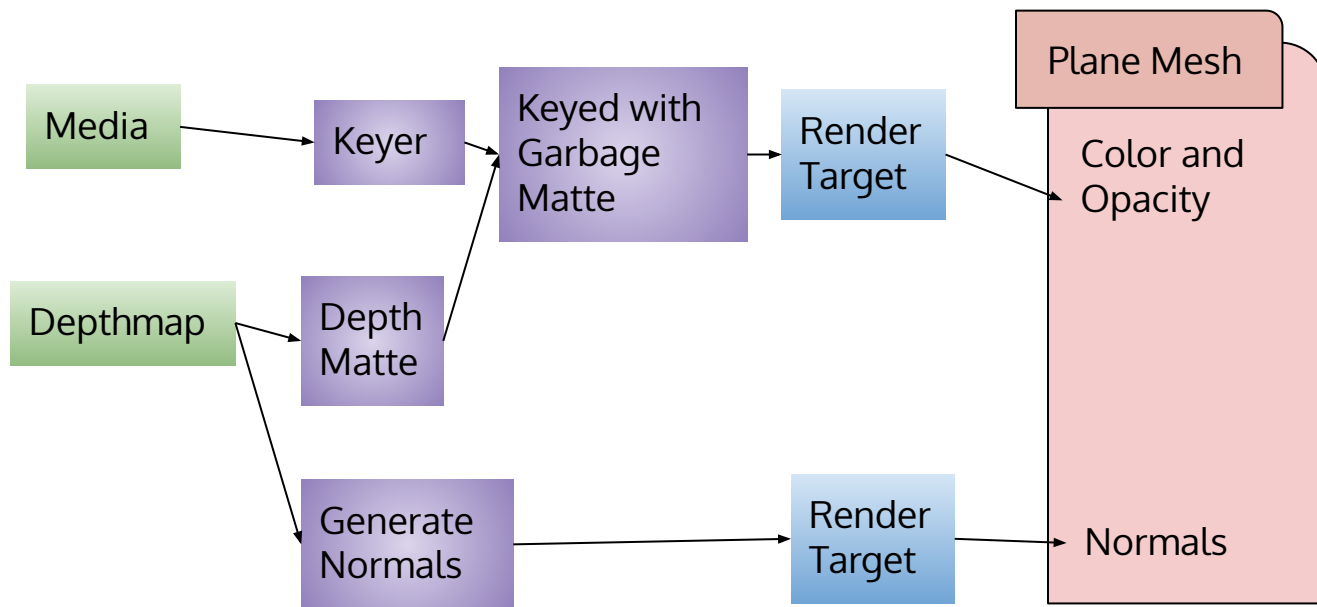
- [Google Colaboratory notebook](#) is now available. [July 2021]  [Open in Colab](#)

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2 & 3. Compositing Overview



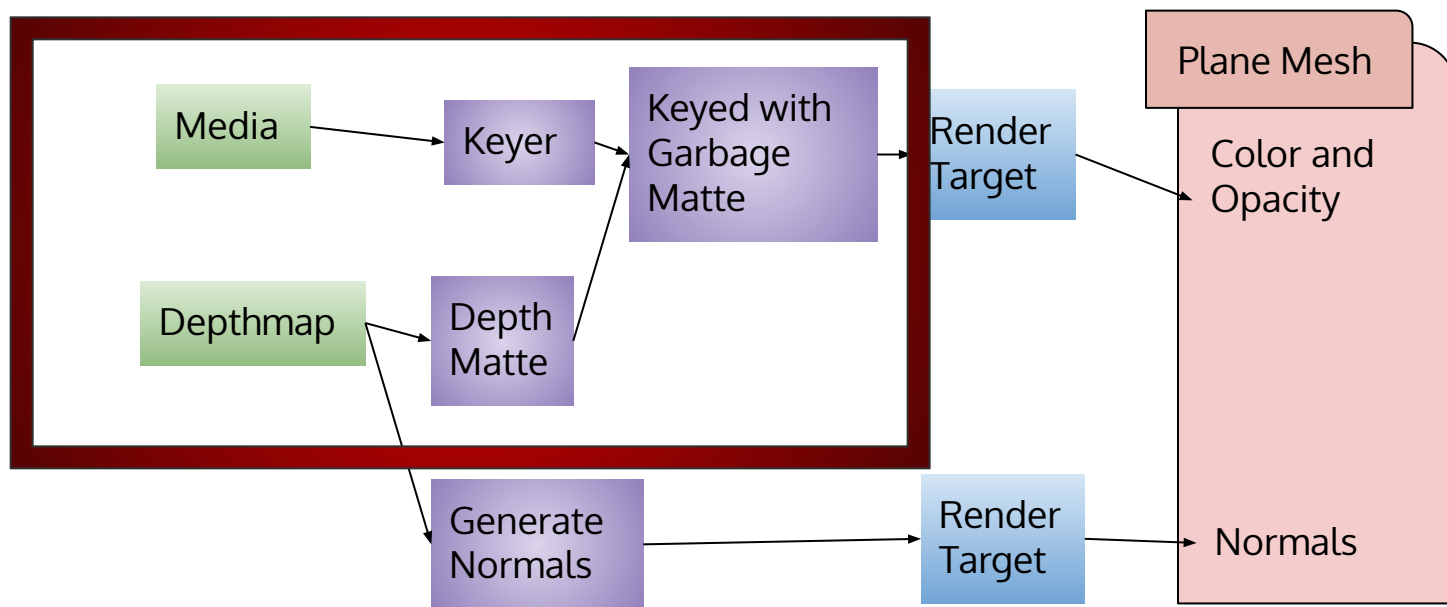
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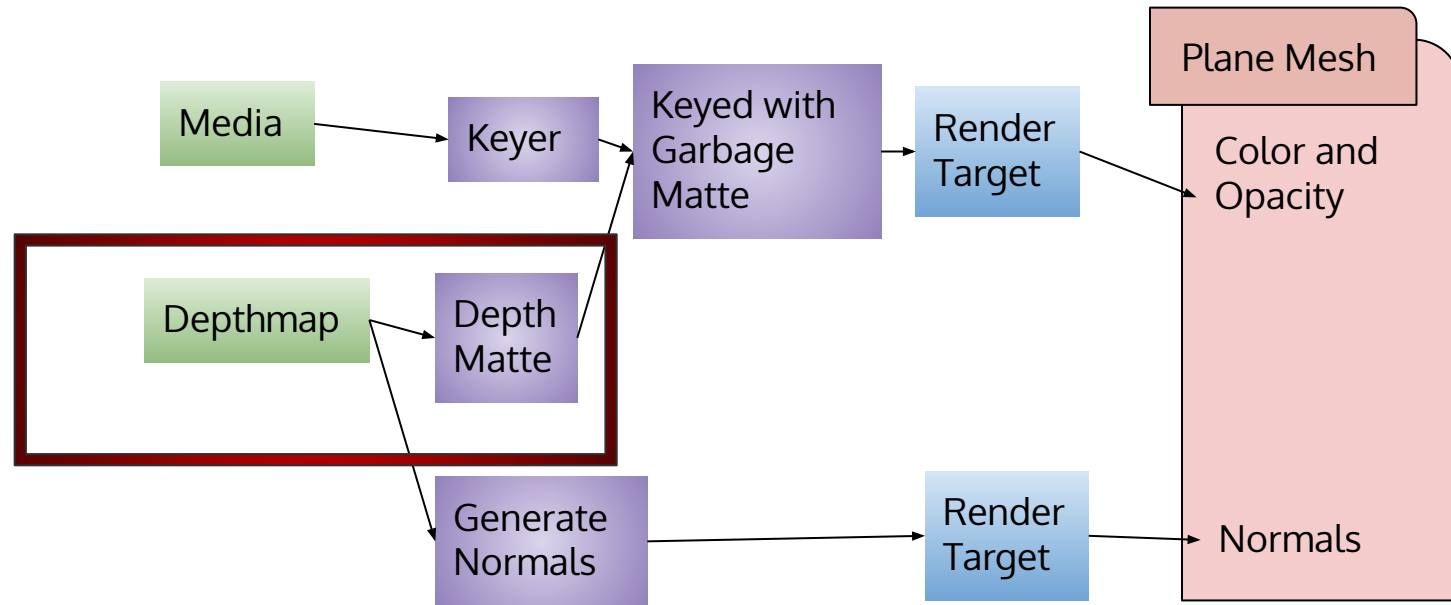
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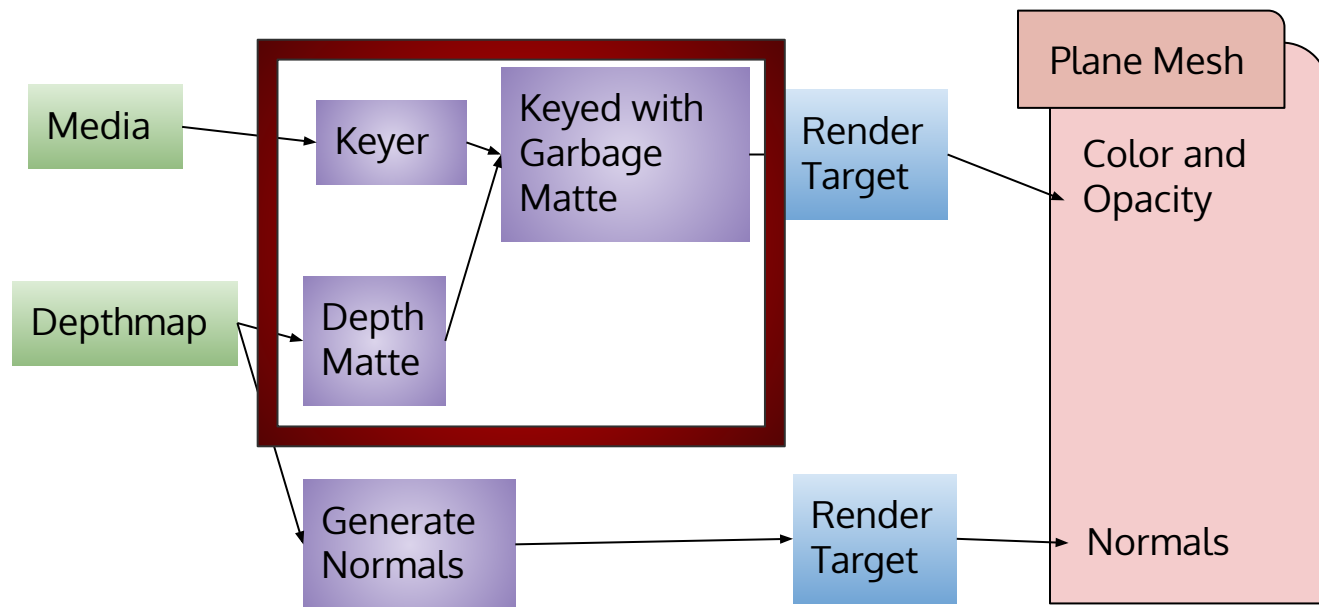
M_DepthMatting



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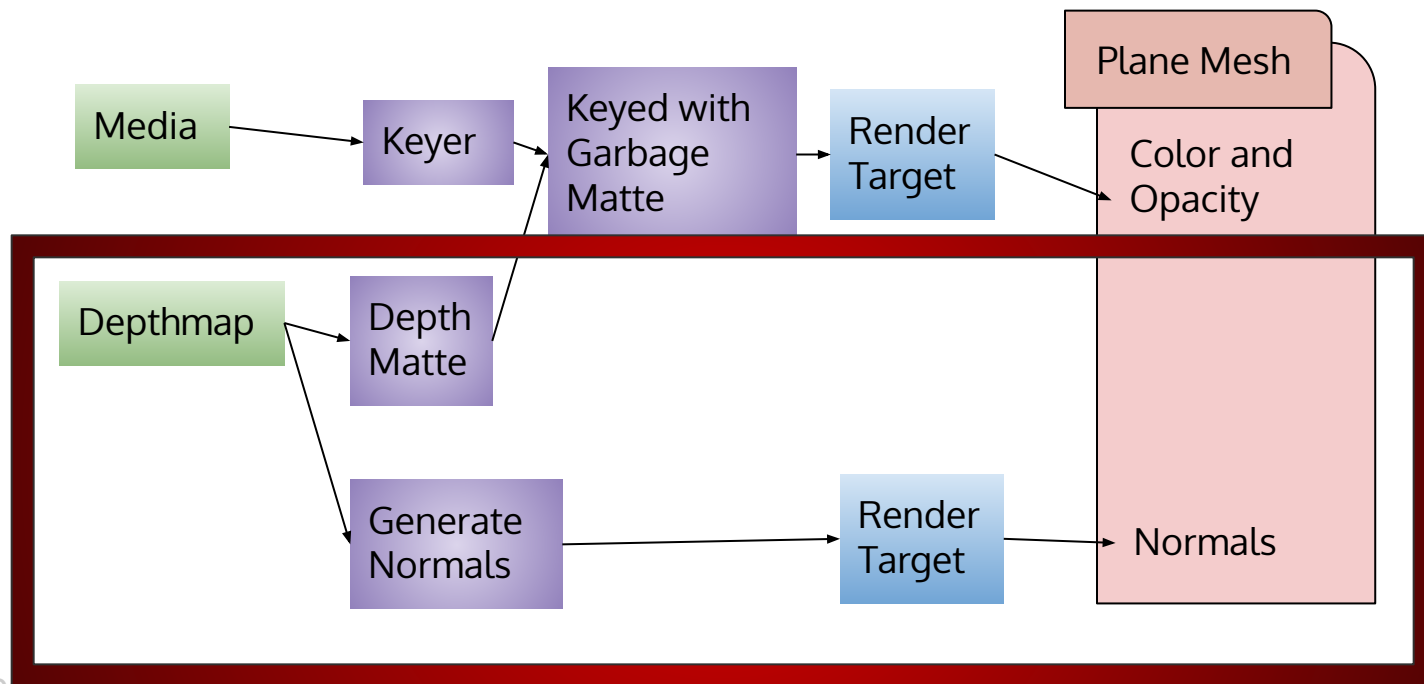
M_Passthrough, M_DepthMatteComp



3. Normals & Relight



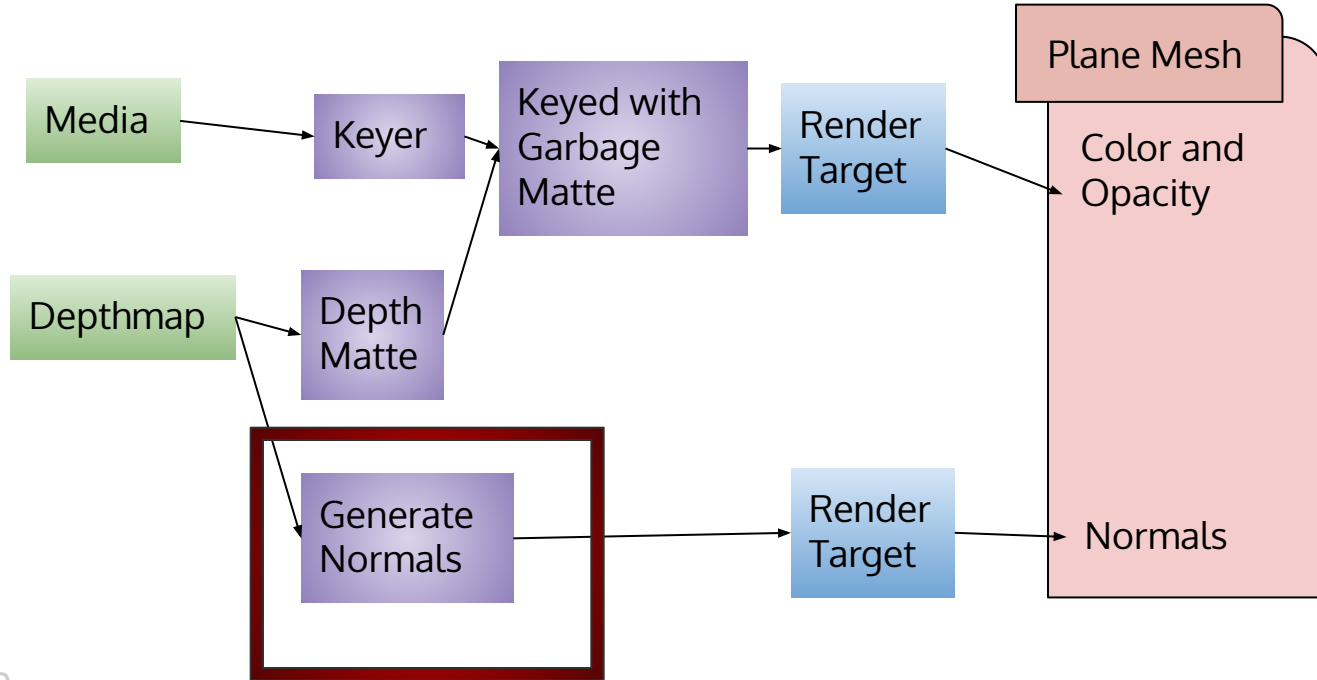
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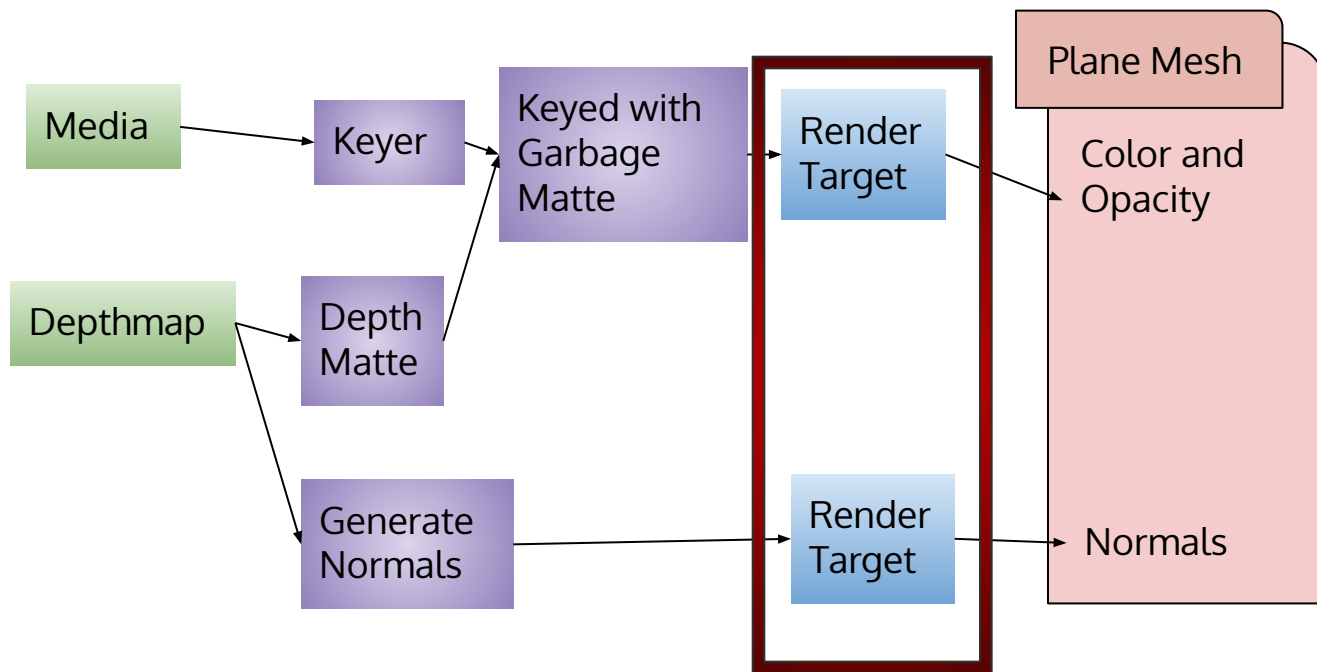
M_RescaleDepth, M_BlurDepth, M_NormalFromDepth



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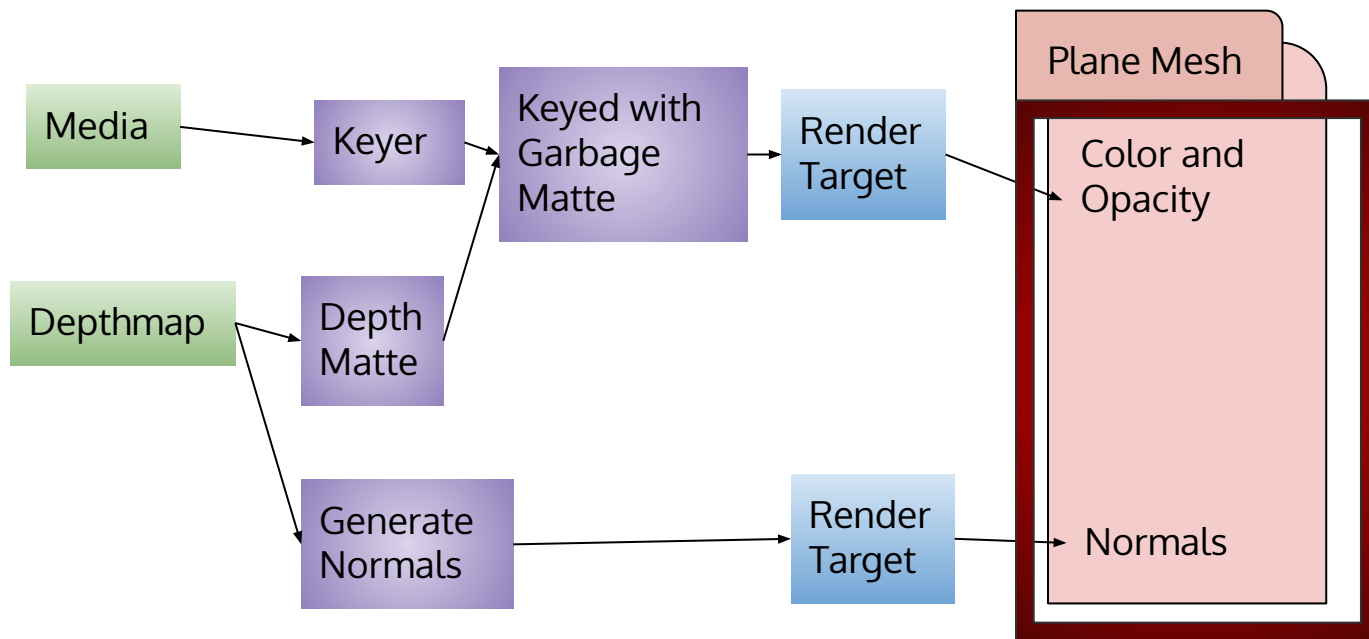
Output to RT_Keyed, RT_ReNormal



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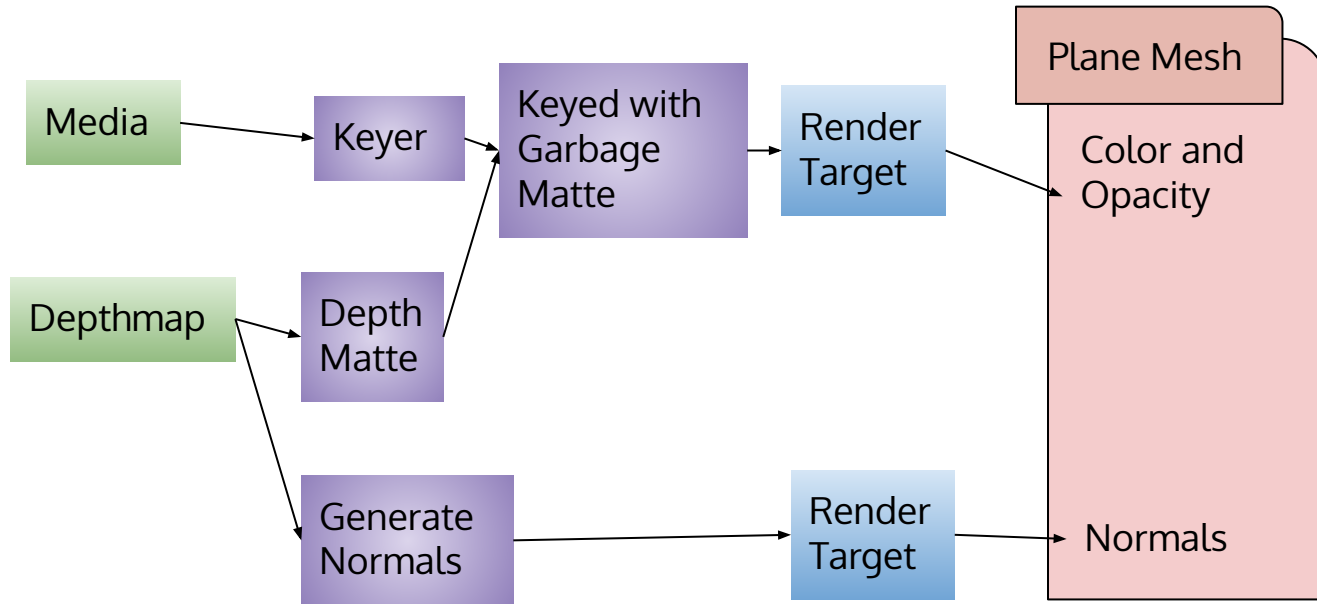
Plane Material : M_DepthMapPlane



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Limitations

1. Not Panacea (can't fix bad lighting)
2. Quality, Resolution, and Processing time of Depthmap relies on trained model & source video

Future Search

1. Realtime solution (balance between quality and FPS)
2. Absolute Distance to camera (meters) instead of relative values

Credits

- Ibai Gorodoro: forked Ibai's implementation of "Small Midas TFLite inference" to create the Colab notebook
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e161_IZps9c
- 3dsf for discussion on Midas & Depth networks
 - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1Sb4I_gCkSRE1JDMAmn2Wg
- Andy Blondin: how to sync different Media Texture using sequencer
 - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCa1s9Zc1YxGUTIENQ0Nmyrg>