

3d Reconstruction: Learning based methods

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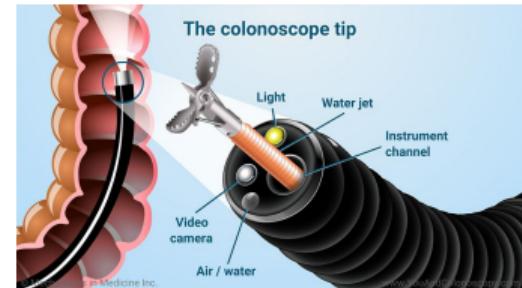
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3d Reconstruction from Videos

Reconstructing the scene geometry from videos is useful in many applications: Robot navigation (obstacle detection), Metrology, 3d Cartography, Medicine...



- + It is a cheap and flexible approach: One single passive camera, Adaptive baseline,...
- It strongly relies on scene structure (texture) and precise camera positioning.

Presentation Outline

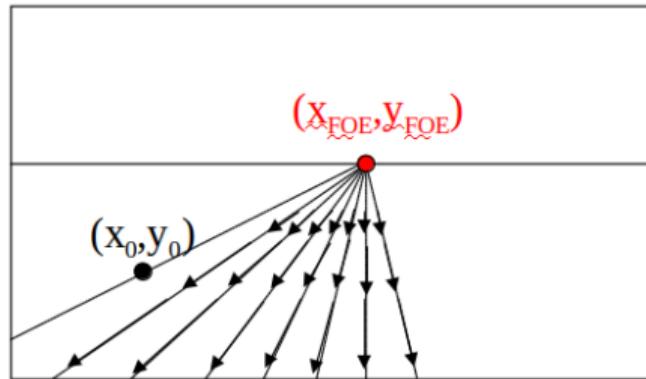
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Preamble: Limitations of analytical methods

- Estimation strongly relies on local structure (texture), then depth estimation on textureless areas depends on complicated regularization methods.
- Depth calculation depends on the apparent displacement (speed) of a point with respect to the epipole (i.e. the Focus of Expansion FoE, that indicates the translation direction of the camera). Such calculation turns undetermined when the point gets close to the FoE.



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DNN for 3d reconstruction

- Like Optical Flow, Depth can benefit from Deep Networks dense prediction capabilities.
- Training can be easily done on *synthetic* or *real RGB-d* data, and loss function is also relatively straightforward.
- One determining benefit of DNN is their ability to exploit potentially *all the depth indices*: parallax, perspective, size and texture gradients, shading,...

Monocular Depth Cues? Occlusions!

Giotto - Pentecoste
(circa 1305)



Monocular Depth Cues? Object sizes!

Georges Seurat -
Un après-midi à
l'île de la Grande
Jatte (1884-1886)



Monocular Depth Cues? Object sizes, Perspective, and Texture Gradients!

Gustave Caillebotte -
Rue de Paris, temps de
pluie (1877)

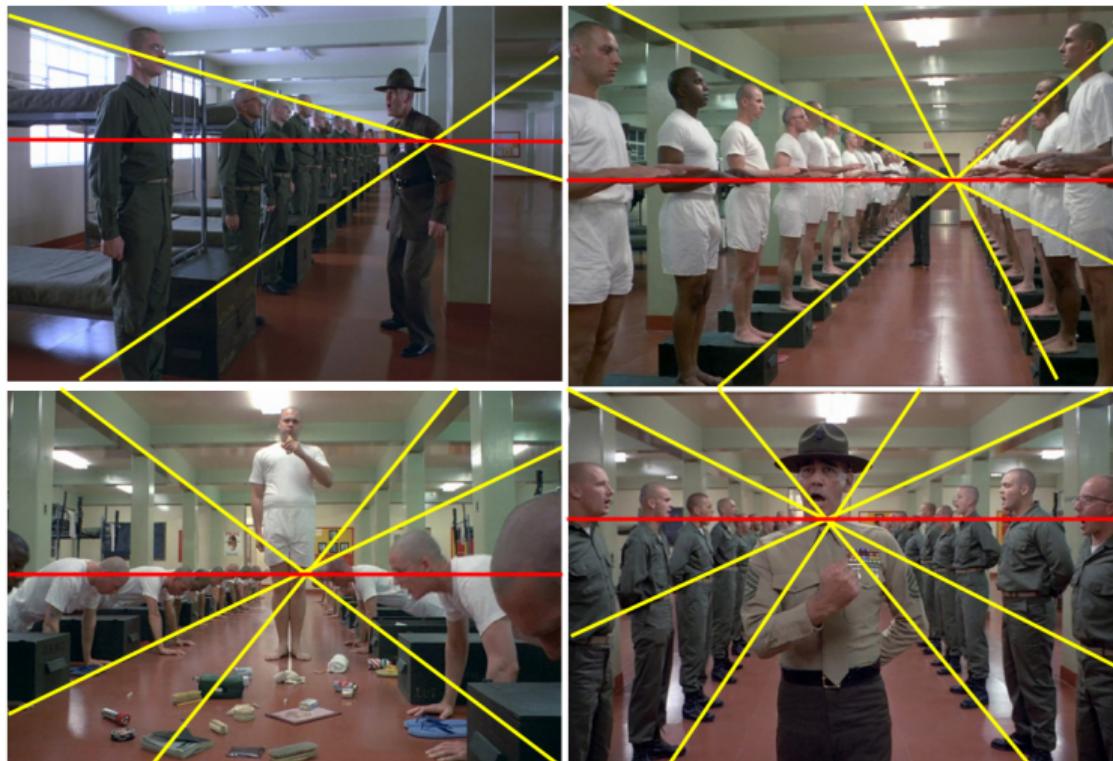


Monocular Depth Cues? Perspective, Horizon and Vanishing Points!

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Monocular Depth Cues? Horizon and Camera Pose!



Stanley Kubrick – *Full Metal Jacket* (1987)

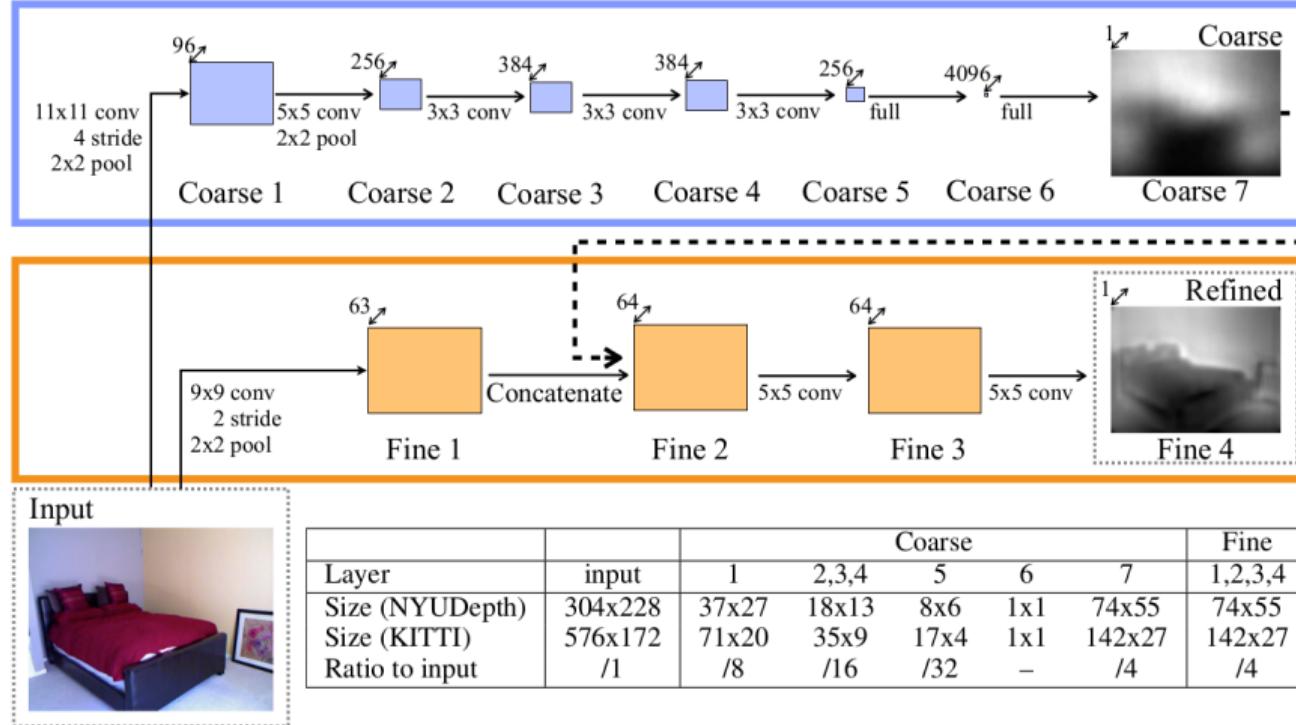
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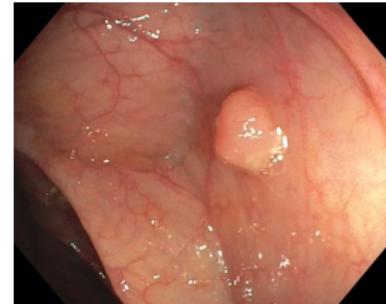
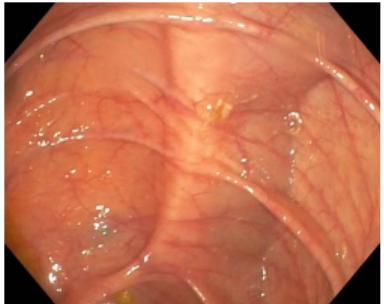
③ Unsupervised Depth Maps Prediction

Depth inference from single view!



CNN based Depth estimation from single view [Eigen 14] works well on a particular context!

One very particular context...

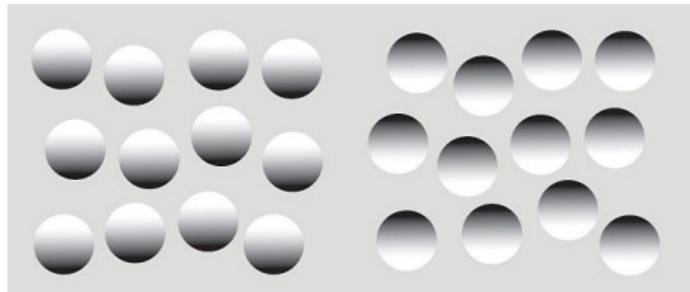
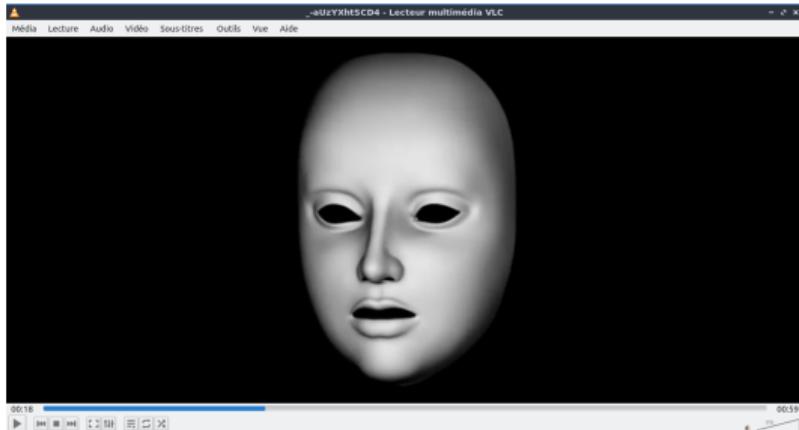


Colonoscopy images [Ruano 19]

Monocular Depth Cues? Shading!

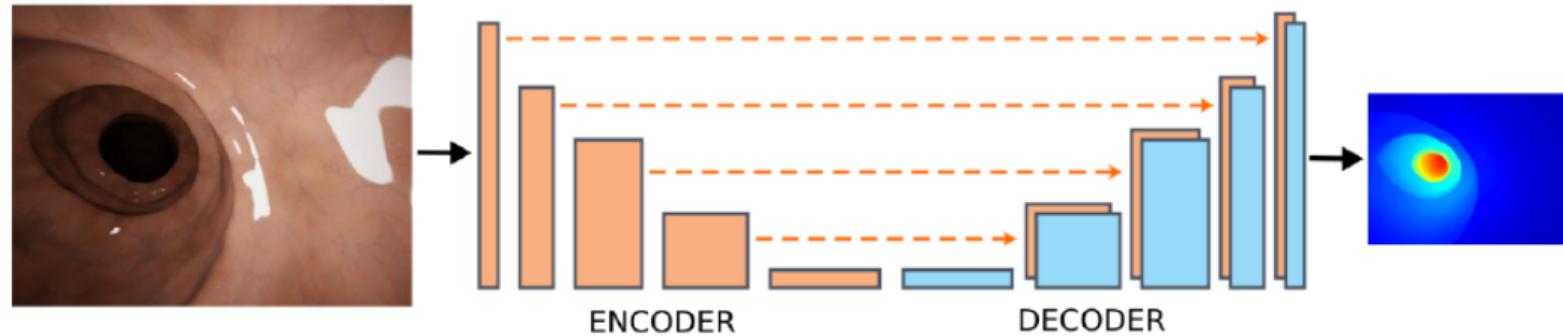
Self shadowing is a strong but ambiguous depth cue (light source position vs concavity).

Without shape prior, the concavity is determined by a prior of top lighting (right image).



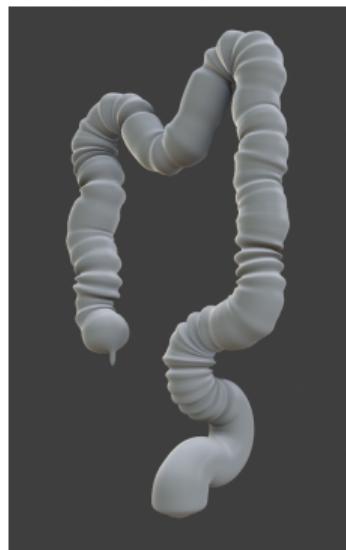
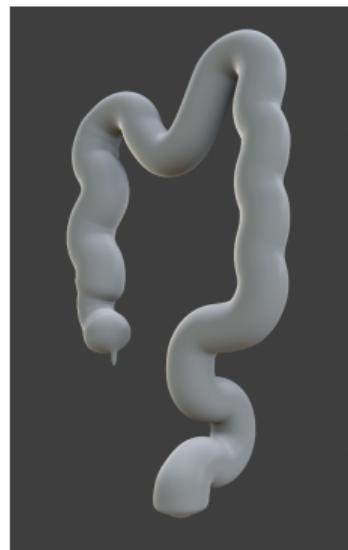
When the shape prior is strong (face then convex), the concavity prior dominates the lighting prior (top-down effect, animation on the left).

Learning Shape from Shading for Automated Colonoscopy



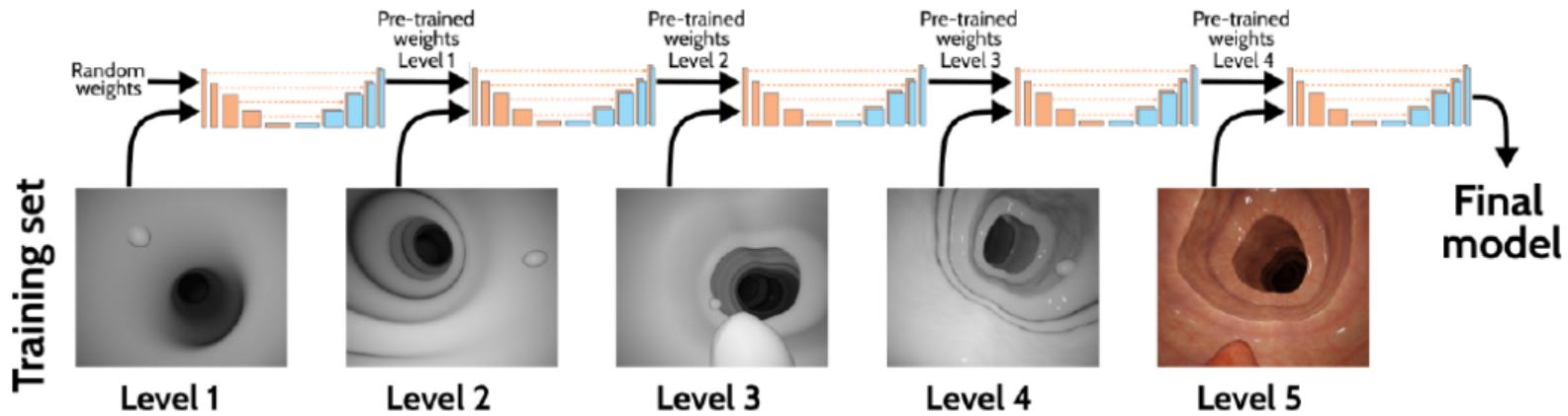
Images from synthetic videos are used to train a CNN using a loss function based on the ground truth depthmap **[Ruano 23]**

Curriculum Learning Shape from Shading for Automated Colonoscopy



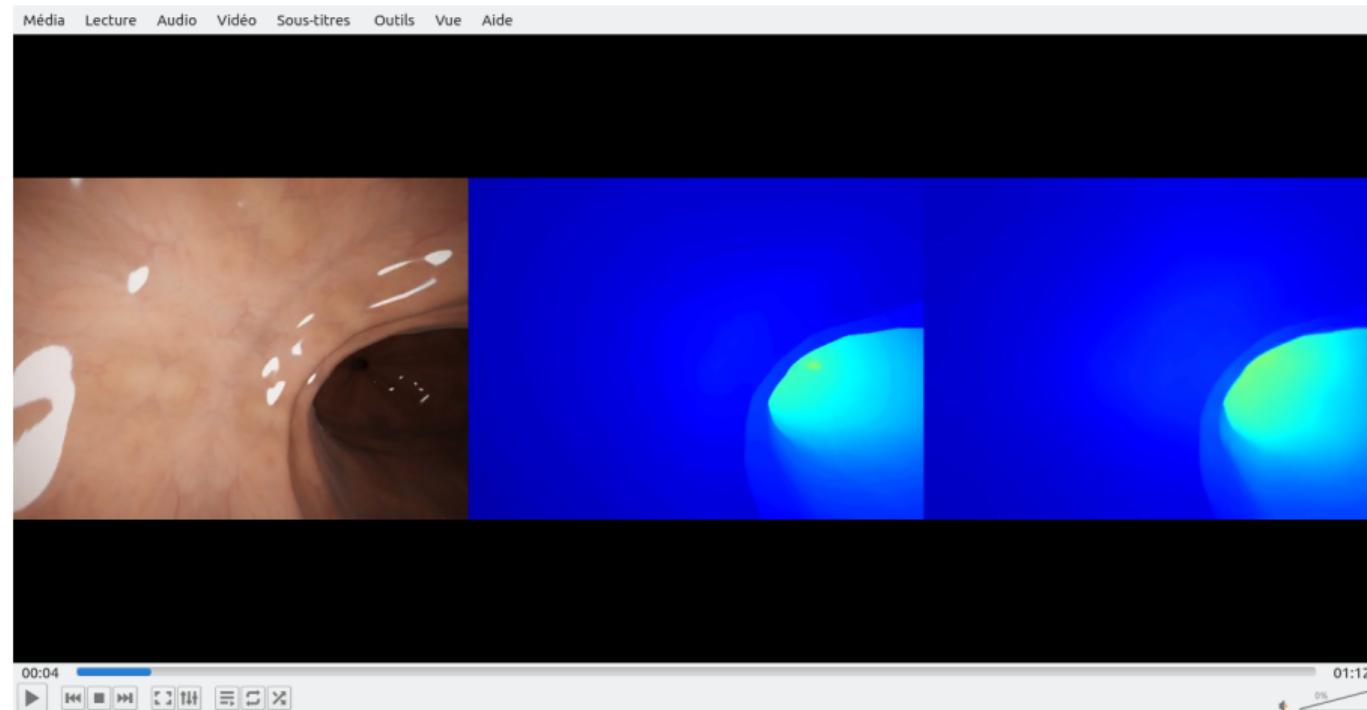
Synthetic exploration videos are created from a hierarchy of synthetic colons of increasing complexity **[Ruano 23]**

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The training is performed with progressive complexity [Ruano 23]

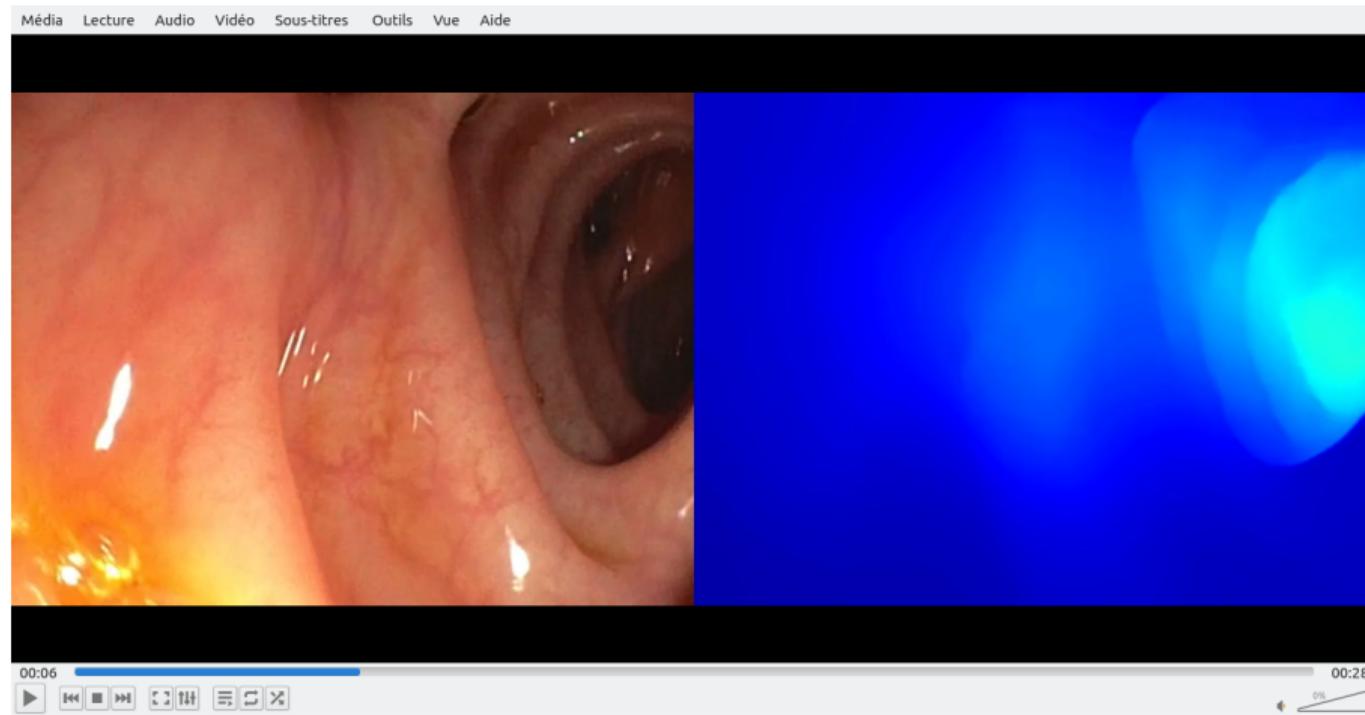
SfSNet on Synthetic Videos



ShapeFromShadingNet on Synthetic Test Videos [Ruano 23]



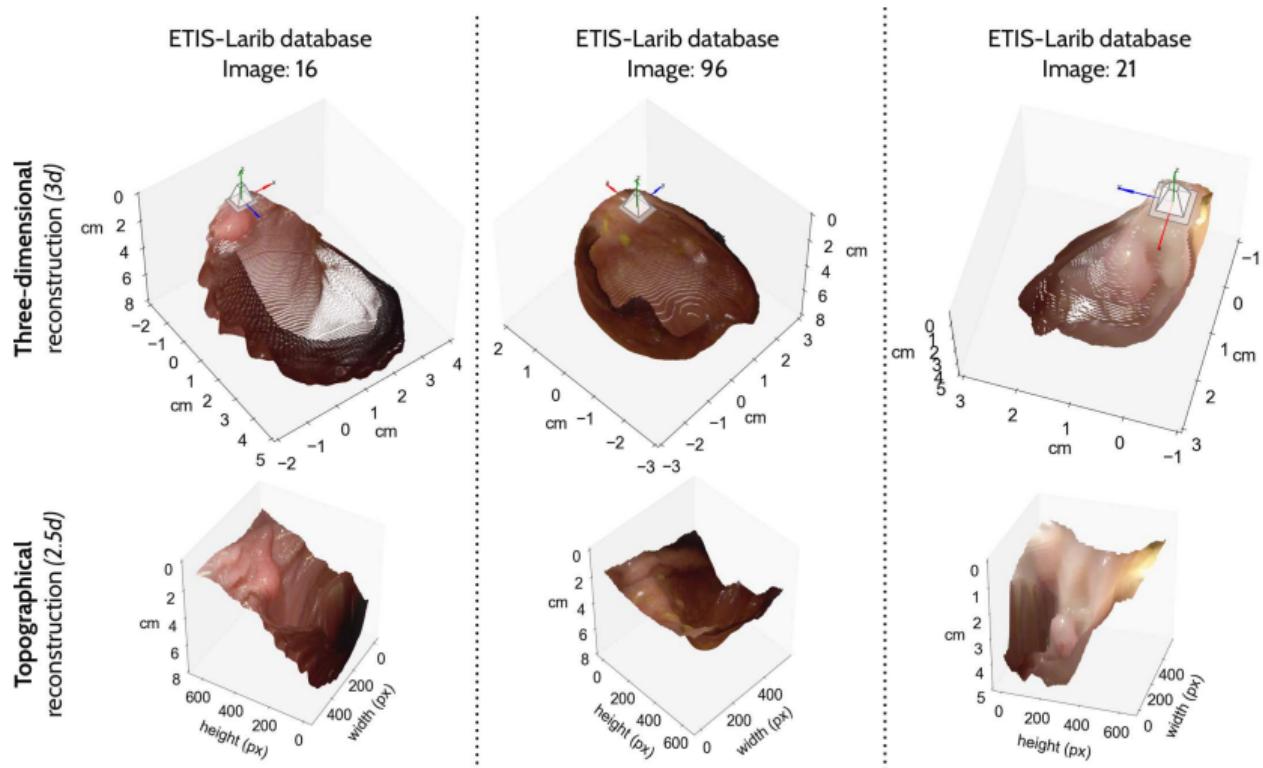
SfSNet on Real Videos



ShapeFromShadingNet on Real Videos [Ruano 23]. Single images seem to be sufficient in such particular context!

3d reconstruction from depth maps

Back-projection from
the depth map Z :
 $M = Z(m)\mathbf{K}^{-1}m$
[Ruano 23]

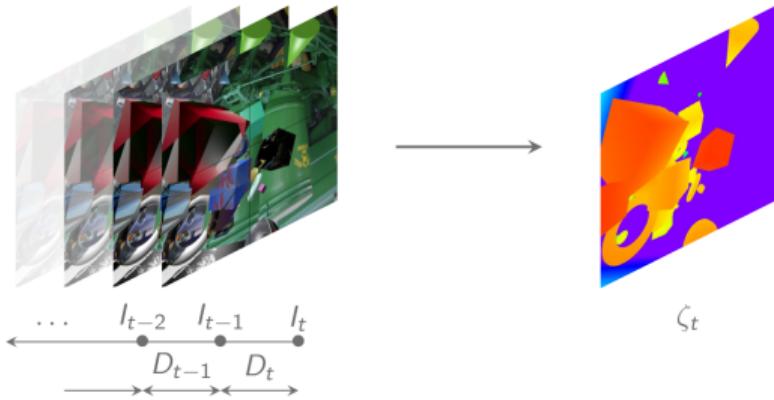


What about UAV's context?

These scenes are all taken from the same drone !



Non photorealistic synthesis for learning SfM



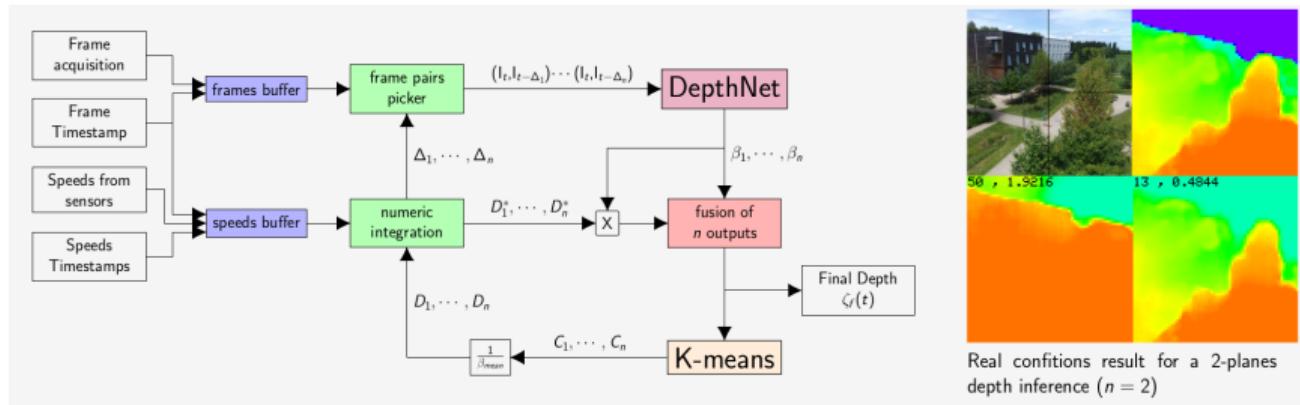
Supervised learning of depth from synthetic sequences

[Pinard 17a]

- Network is based on FlowNet_S
- Unrealistic scenes \leftrightarrow Abstraction of the context
- Focus on geometry / motion, not on appearance /context
- Trained on rotationless movement, at a constant speed

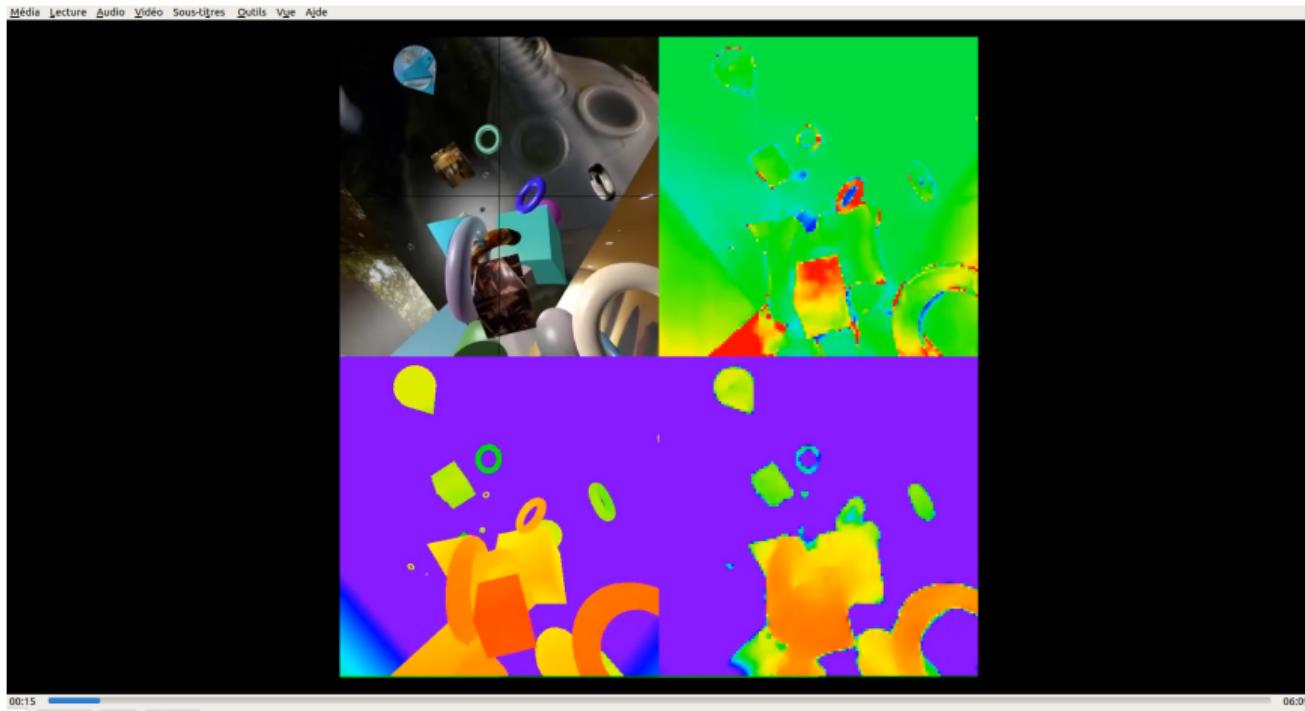
Baseline adaptation using multiple image pairs

- At the inference time, the depth which is relative to the trained speed, is scaled with respect to the actual velocity.
- Adaptable precision is achieved by dynamically adapting the image pairs (baselines) to the depth distribution.



Adaptation of the baselines to the depth distribution [Pinard 17b]

Supervised DepthNet



Supervised DepthNet results [Pinard 17a]: See

<https://perso.ensta-paris.fr/~manzaner/Download/ECMR2017/DepthNetResults.mp4>

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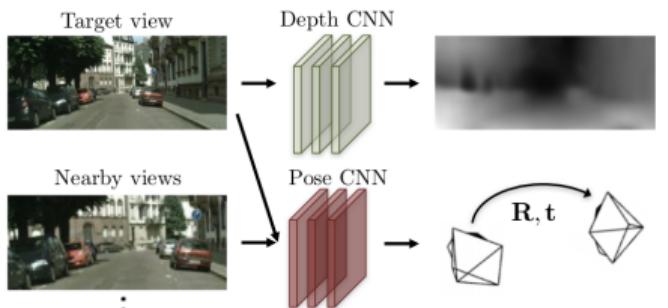
3 Unsupervised Depth Maps Prediction

Unsupervised depth estimation CNN

- Re-training on real/operative context is still essential.
- But data are rarely annotated.
- Self-supervised learning is then necessary.
- *Photometric loss function* can be used, that compares a pair of registered images, knowing the depth and the camera pose.
- Camera pose then needs to be known, or predicted!



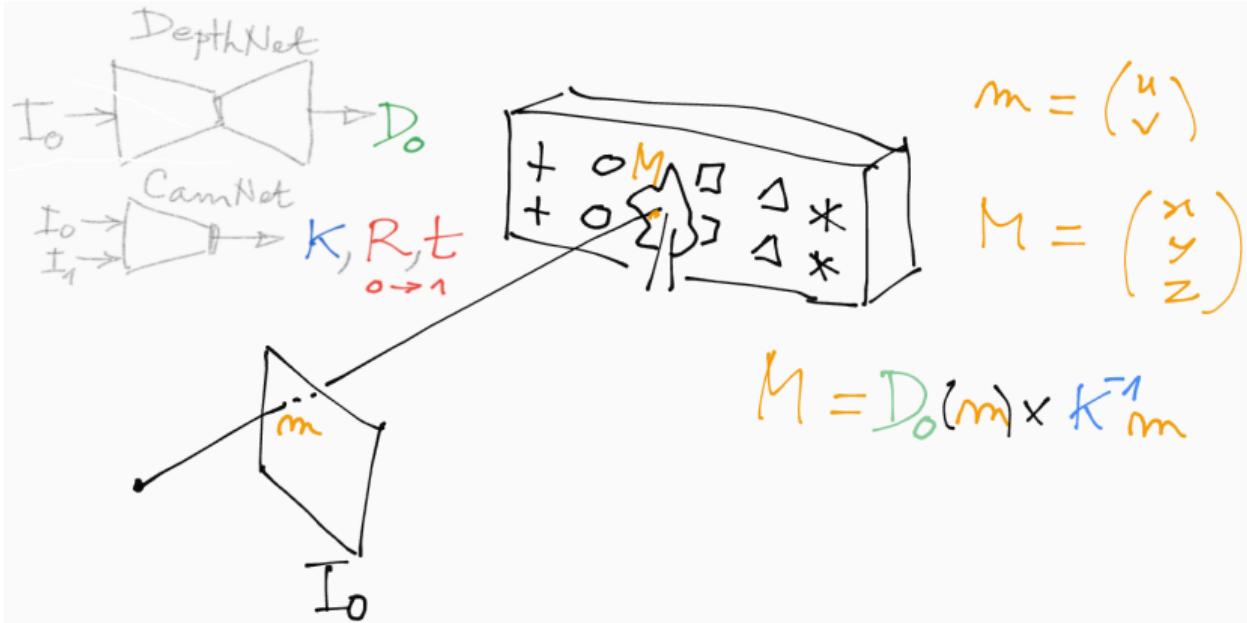
(a) Training: unlabeled video clips.



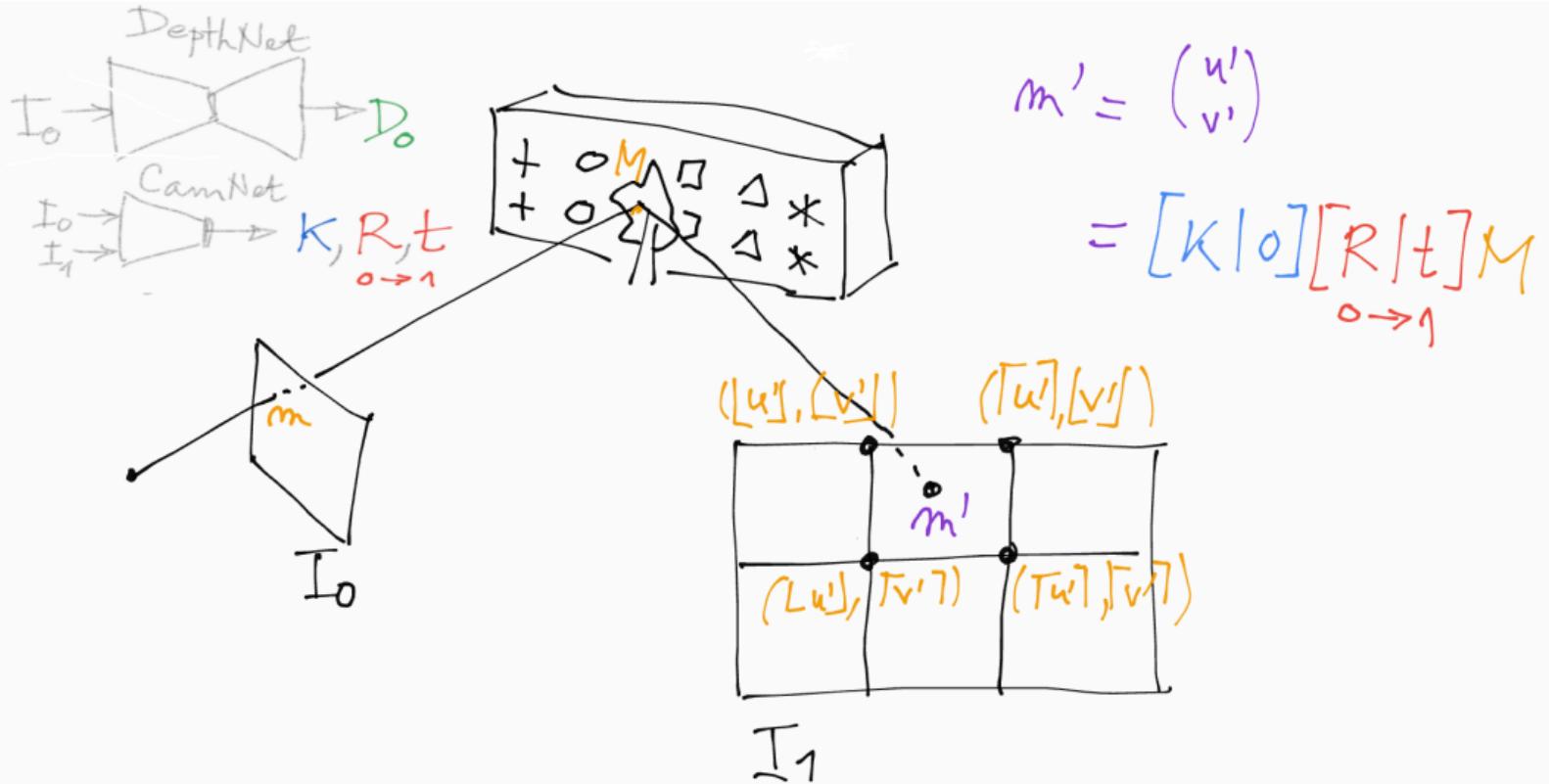
(b) Testing: single-view depth and multi-view pose estimation.

[Zhou 17]

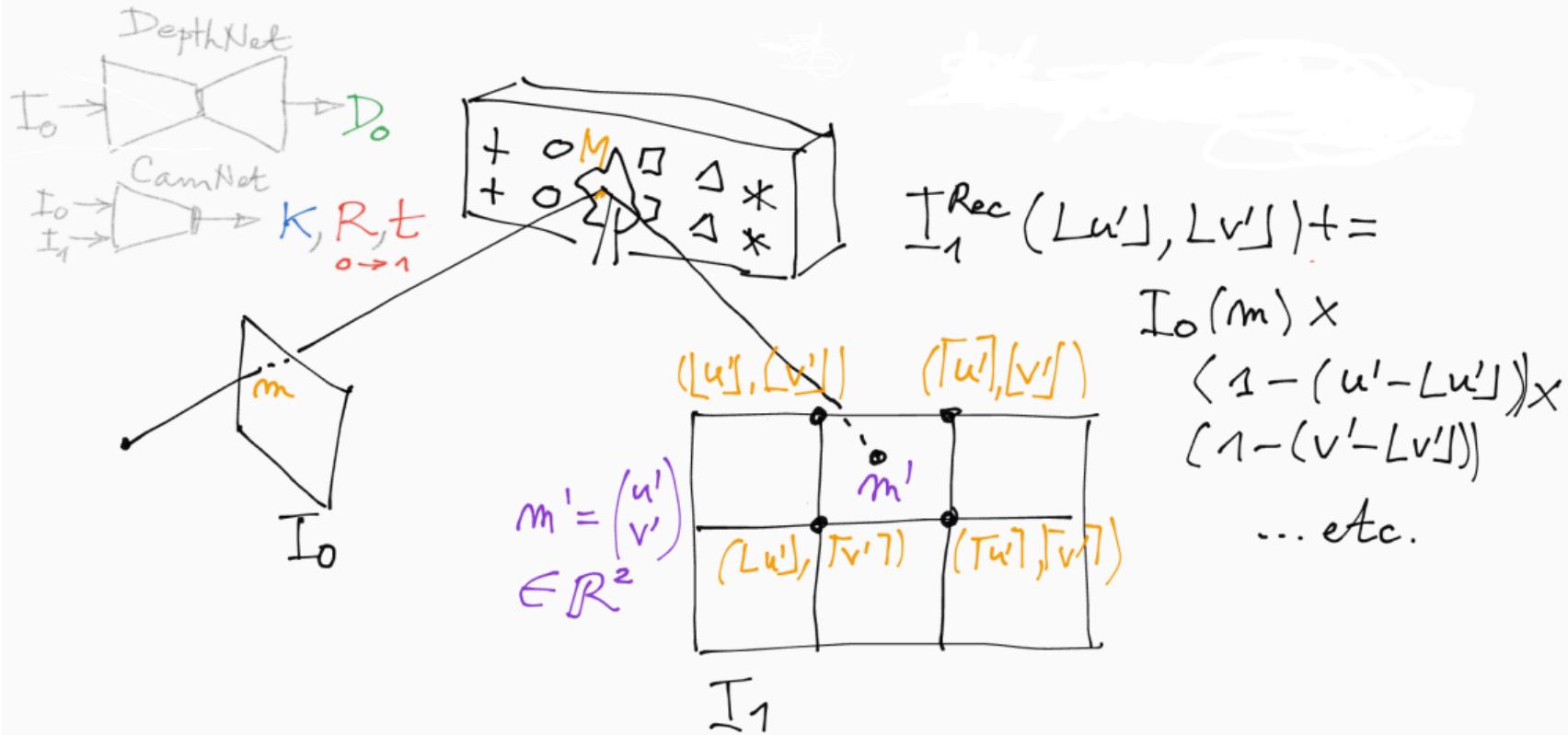
Photometric Loss (1): Back-projection from first image



Photometric Loss (2): Re-projection onto second image



Photometric Loss (3): Interpolation within second image

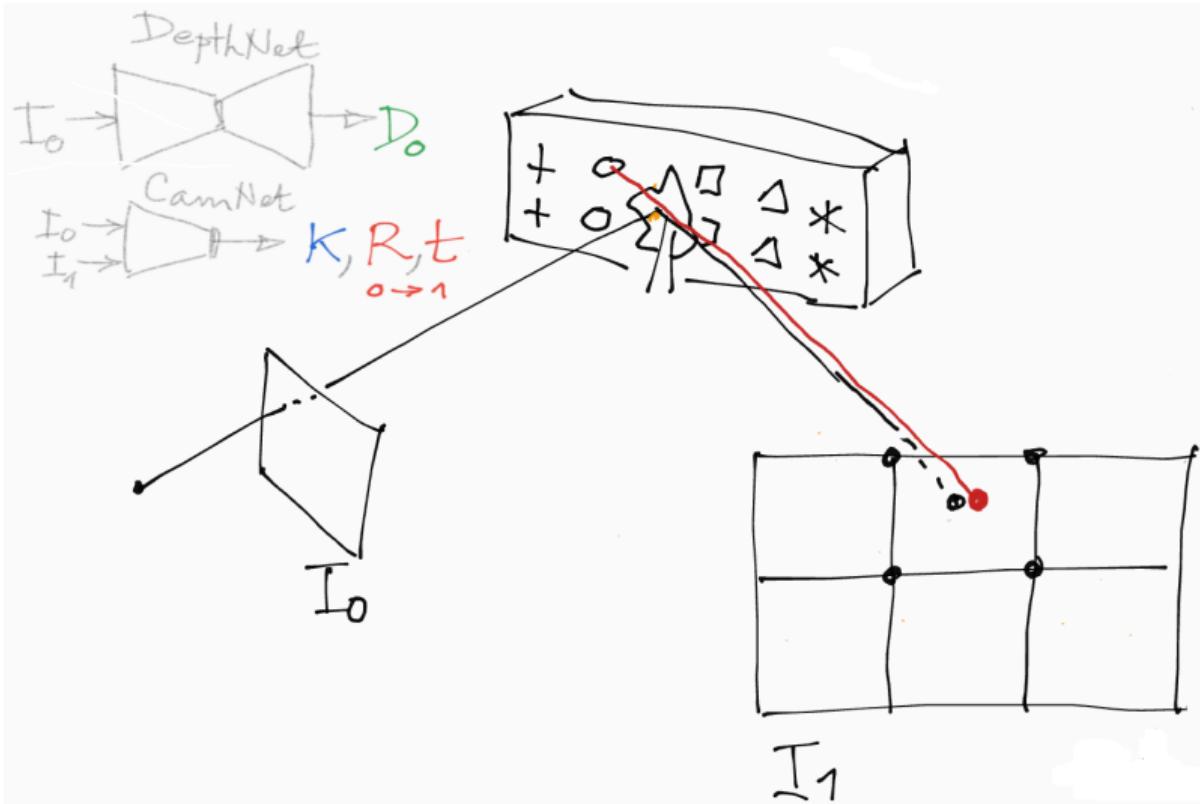


Photometric Loss: Summary and formula

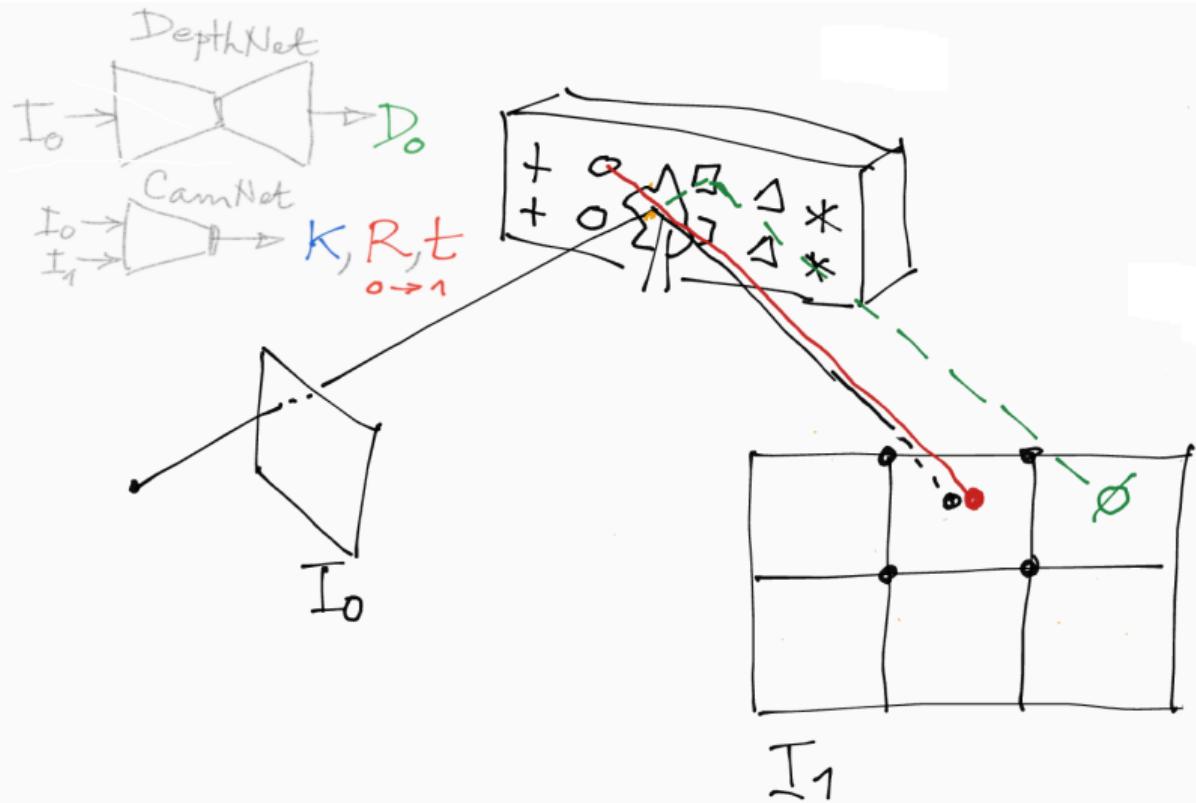
The photometric loss provides a self-supervision signal by comparing the observed image with the reconstructed image from the previous view if the depth map and odometry have been well predicted:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{photo}}^{\text{depth,odometry}} &= \|I_1 - I_1^{\text{Rec}}\| \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{m}'} (I_1(\mathbf{m}') - I_0(\mathbf{m}))^2, \text{ with } \mathbf{m}' \simeq ([\mathbf{K}|\mathbf{O}_4] [\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}] D_0(\mathbf{m}) \times \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{m})\end{aligned}$$

Photometric Loss: Occlusion issue



Photometric Loss: Un-occlusion issue



Examples of reprojected images



Instant T



Instant T



Instant T



Instant T + 1



Instant T + 1



Instant T + 1



Instant T - 1



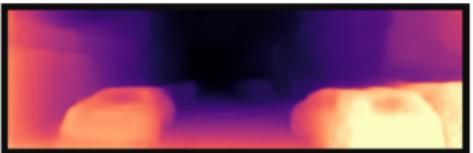
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Depth



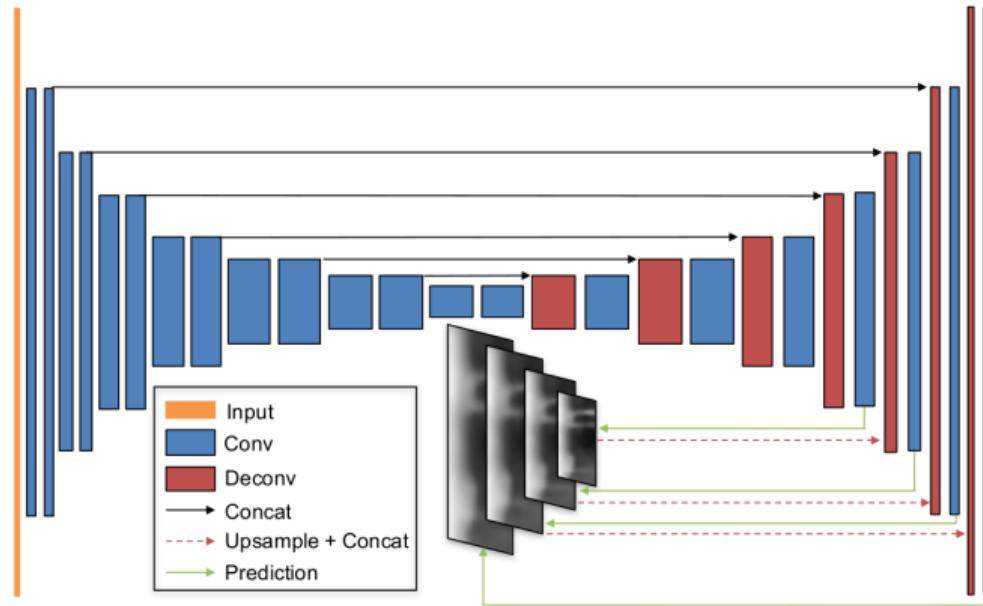
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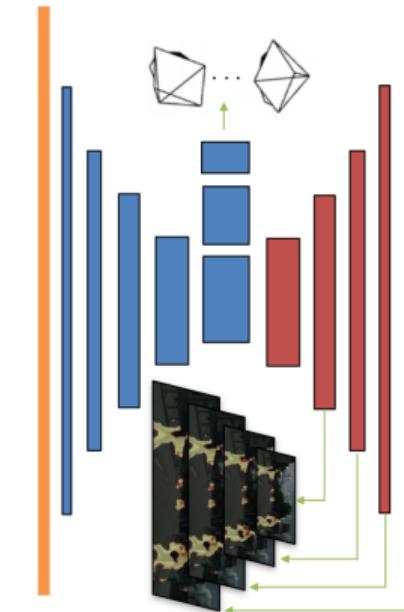
[PhD Marwane Hariat]

Unsupervised depth estimation CNN



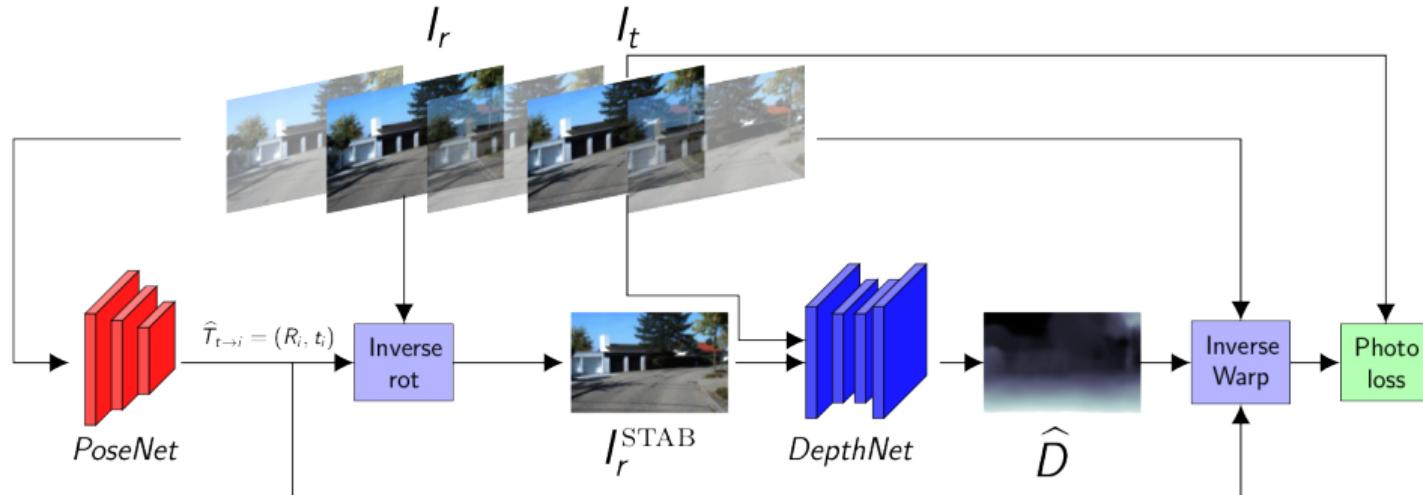
(a) Single-view depth network

[Zhou 17]



(b) Pose/explainability network

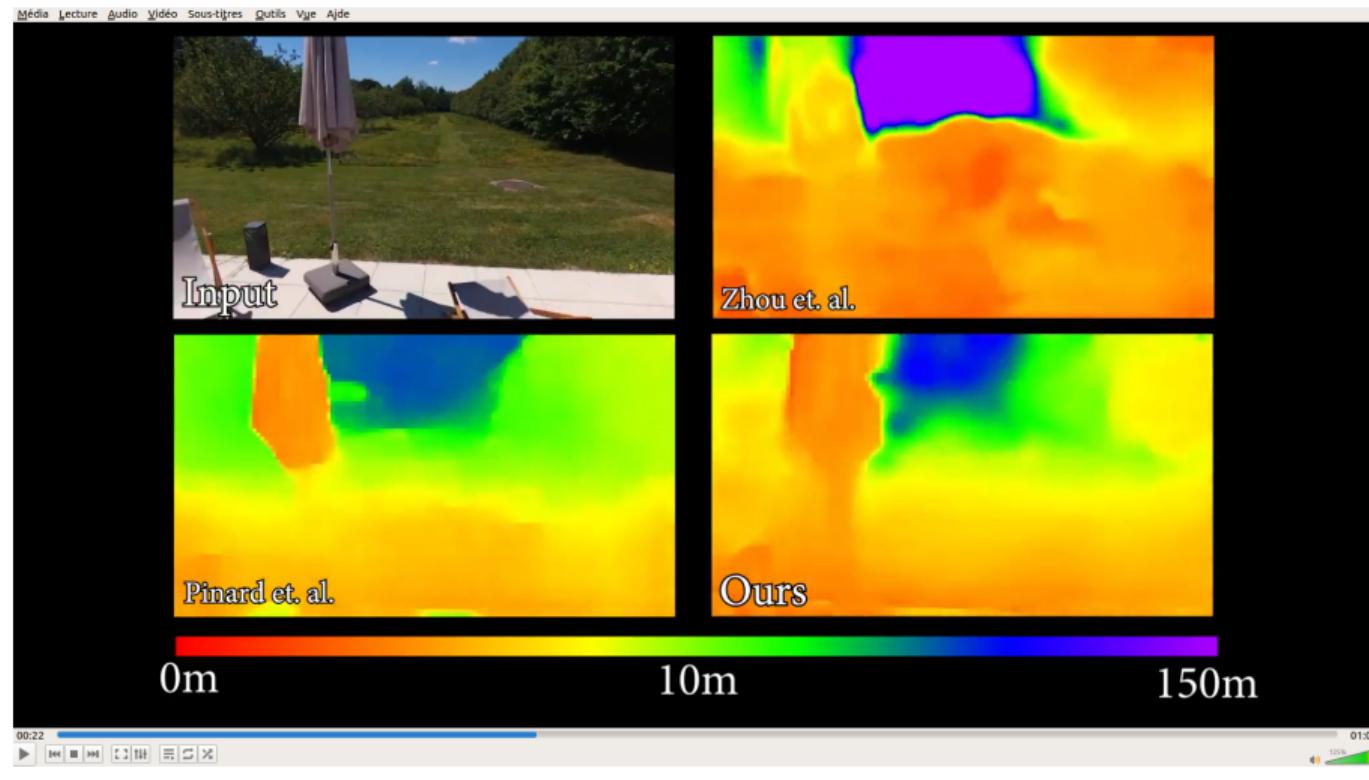
Unsupervised DepthNet



$$\forall i, t_i^{\text{NORM}} = t_i \frac{T_0}{\epsilon + \|t_r\|}$$

Unsupervised re-learning of Structure from Motion with adaptive baseline **[Pinard 18]**

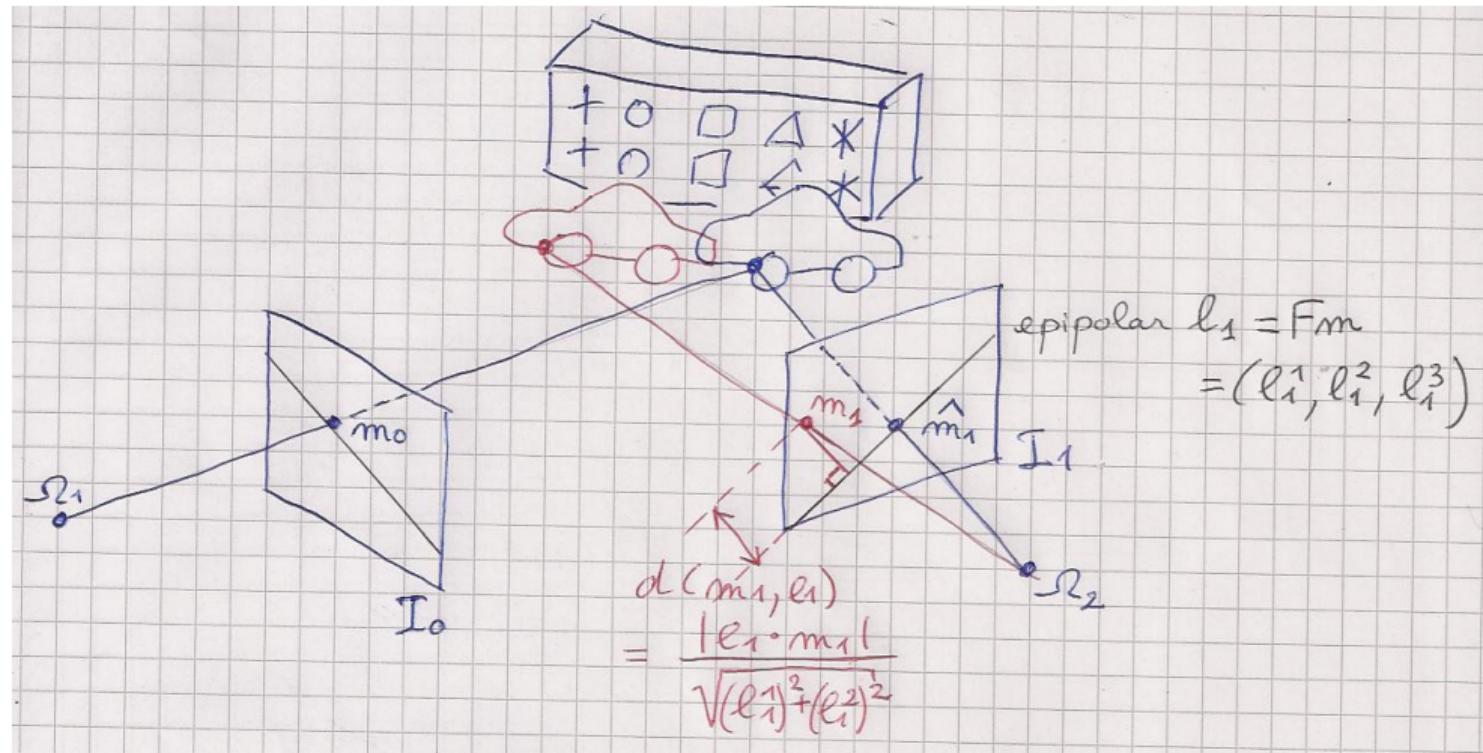
Unsupervised DepthNet



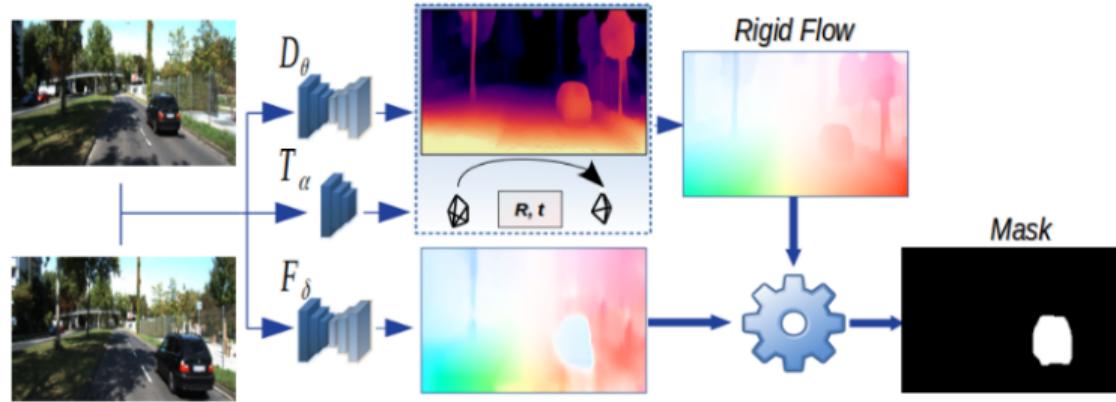
Unsupervised DepthNet real fly demo [Pinard 18]: See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZDgWAWTwU7U>



Photometric Loss: Moving objects issue



CoopNet: Joint training of Optical Flow, Odometry and Depth

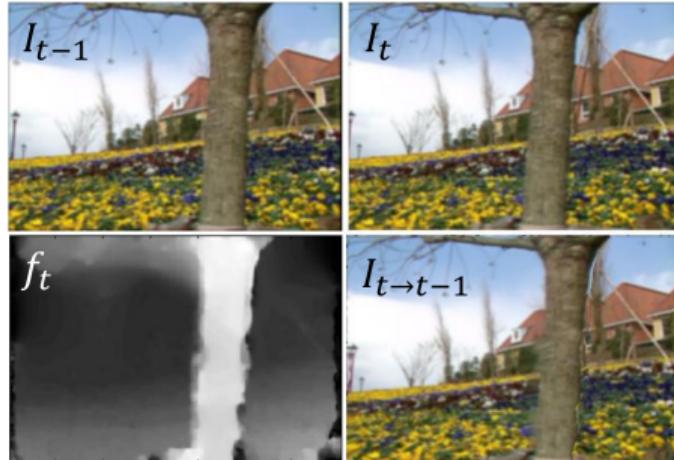


CoopNet [Hariat 23]

By estimating (or predicting) the optical flow, moving objects can also be predicted by comparing the optical flow with the *rigid flow*, which is the apparent velocity field under rigid assumption scene (i.e. only due to camera motion), defined as:

$$[\mathbf{K}|\mathbf{O}_4] [\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}] D_0(\mathbf{m}) \times \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}$$

Comparison with photometric loss for Optical Flow



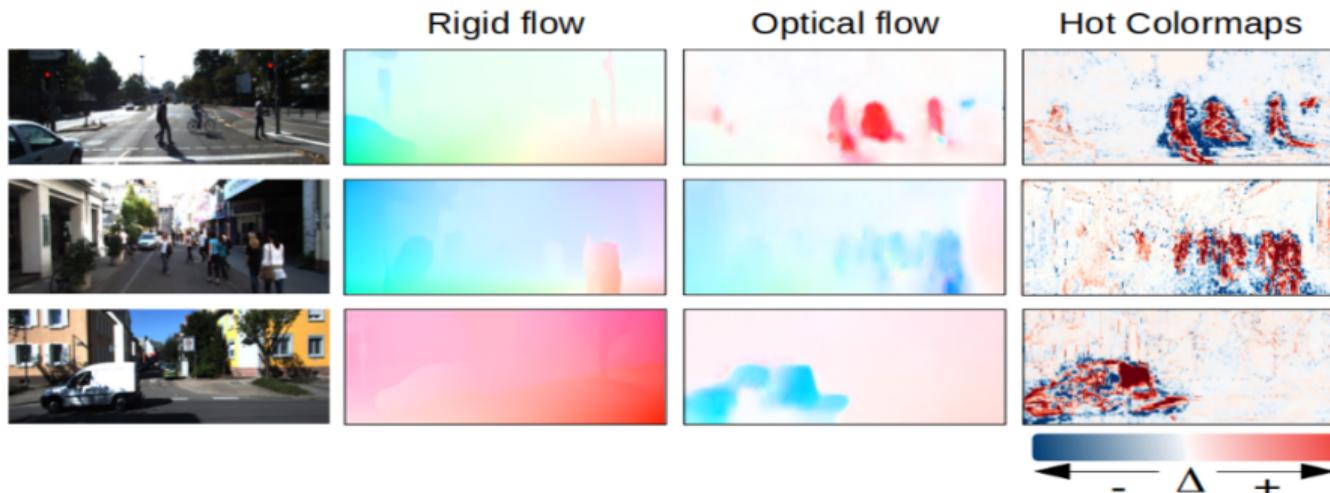
Self-supervised Optical Flow is also based on photometric loss, that measures the difference between an image and its prediction based on the optical flow:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{photo}}^{\text{flow}} = \|I_1 - I_{0 \rightarrow 1}\|,$$

with:

$$I_{0 \rightarrow 1}(\mathbf{m}) = I_0(\mathbf{m} - f_{0 \rightarrow 1}(\mathbf{m})).$$

CoopNet: Joint training of Optical Flow, Odometry and Depth



CoopNet [Hariat 23]

The CoopNet network is trained based on the difference between the photometric losses from the optical flow and from the depth networks:

$$\Delta(\mathbf{m}) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{photo}}^{\text{depth,odometry}} - \mathcal{L}_{\text{photo}}^{\text{flow}}$$

Conclusion on Learning-based methods

- Learning optical flow and depth from videos has many advantages:
 - ▶ Globally addressing the context
 - ▶ Multi-cues depth inference
 - ▶ Natural regularization of ill-posed problem
- The main issues to address are the hard dependence to the learned context, and the difficulties inherent to online learning. The current work perspectives are:
 - ▶ Domain adaptation: ground robotics, medical robotics,...
 - ▶ Incremental and online learning...
 - ▶ Explainability and Reliability...

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