

ENGN 8501

Week#2: Low-level vision-2:

Camera shake removal

2021 S2

This week:

- Monday Lecture: Supervised paper reading
- Thursday tutorial-1: Read an extra paper on the topic of I-lvl vision.
- Reading Report-1: due on next Thursday evening.

Enrollment update

- The current enrollment number is far beyond our prediction:
 - $45 \rightarrow 65$ (last week) $\rightarrow 91$.
- This is an advanced level course, more demanding than 6528.
- Subjective assessments: reading report, project report, seminar.
 - *To speak a fact: if the class average mark is 66%, half of the students will get a mark below 66%.*

Assessment Components:

Your portfolio for ENGN8501

- **5x Paper Reading Reports:**
 - 2 pages each → totally **10 pages**
 - $10\% \times 5 = 50\%$ marks.
 - Must be in CVPR'21 Latex format. (otherwise, penalty applies)
 - → upload a single PDF file each report to Wattle. (PDF is the only accepted file format.)
- **1x Group Research Project (1~3 students per group):**
 - → 1 page proposal : 5% marks
 - → up to 6 pages report (excluding references): 15% marks
 - → 10-minute video seminar recording and 10-slide PPT: 20% marks.
 - *Ideally, your 6-page project report, if novel and worthy enough, ought to be publishable at a local/national conference.*

Homework assignment-1:

Paper reading report #1

- Pick up any one paper from **the first two weeks'** home-reading materials (see “Weekly-Study-Plan”);
- Read the paper carefully and critically. If necessary, read also some of the references therein.
- Write a 2-page “reading report” using the provided latex template, and upload your report as a single PDF file to Wattle. (via TurnItIn).
- Your report may follow the general latex template.
- Your report must contain a “Critical Analysis” section (c.f. the latex template).
- . The marking process will be subject to tutors’ (and lecturer’s) best judgement. The class average mark might be somewhere at 5~6 out of 10.

Outline for today's lecture

- 1. general tech-background introduction: 20 minutes
- 2. supervised paper reading session: about 30 hours
- 3. breakout room: group discussion and report back to all: about 40 minutes.

General Technical introduction

Blind Image Deblur

Generative model (forward process)



- original $f(x,y)$
- motion blur
- additive intensity noise

For an image with n pixels, write this process as

$$\hat{g} = Af + n$$

where \hat{g} and f are n -vectors, and A is an $n \times n$ matrix.

Inverse problem

- Estimate $f(x,y)$ by optimizing a cost function:

$$\hat{f} = \arg \min_f (g - Af)^2 + \lambda p(f)$$

observed image generated image
 ↓
 { Likelihood/
 prior/
 regularization

Example

$$p(f) = (\nabla f)^2$$

to suppress high frequency noise

Blind deblurring

Non-examinable

So far we have assumed that we know the generative model, e.g.

$$g = A(h) f$$

$$G = H F$$



i.e. that $h(x,y)$ is known, so that given the observed image $g(x,y)$, then the original image $f(x,y)$ can be estimated (restored)

Consider if only the observed image $g(x,y)$ is known.
This is the problem of **blind estimation**.

Blind deblurring continued

- Estimate $f(x,y)$ and $h(x,y)$ by optimizing a cost function:

$$\min_{f,h} \underbrace{(g - A(h)f)^2}_{\text{Likelihood/loss function}} + \underbrace{\lambda p_f(f)}_{\text{image prior}} + \underbrace{\mu p_h(h)}_{\text{blur prior}}$$

observed image generated image

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blue bracket under $(g - A(h)f)^2$

blue bracket under $\lambda p_f(f)$

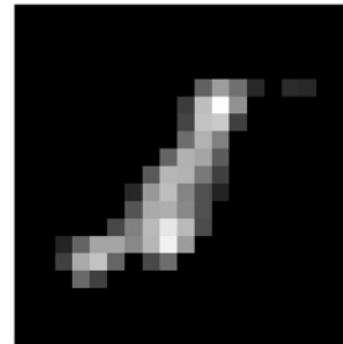
blue bracket under $\mu p_h(h)$

Example I: Blind deblurring

blurred image



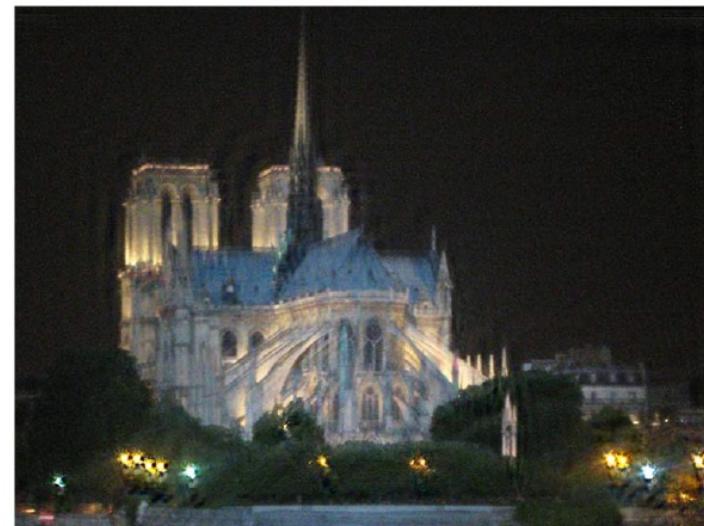
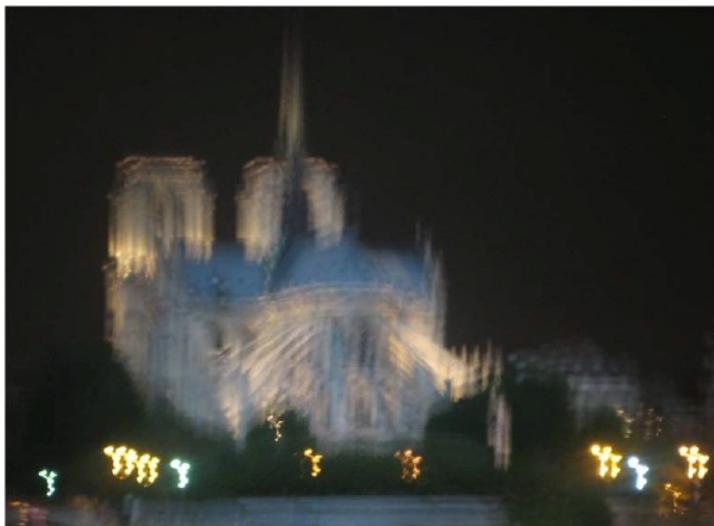
estimated
blur filter



restored image

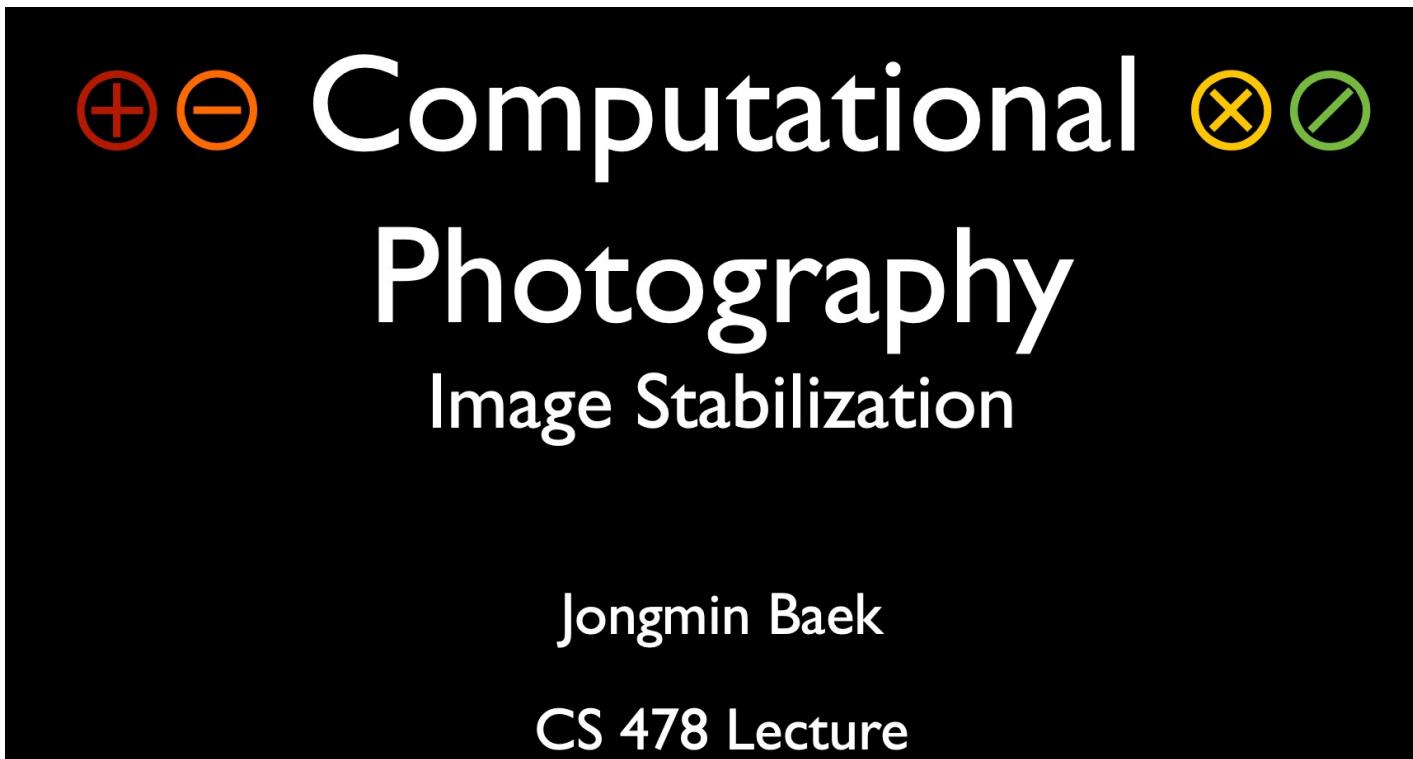


More examples of blind deblurring



Camera Shake Removal

- The next stack of slides are borrowed from:



Blurs in Photography

- Defocus Blur

1/60 sec, f/1.8, ISO 400



Blurs in Photography

- Handshake

2 sec, f/10, ISO 100



Remove camera shake: Camera motion deblur



Tripod



Monopod



Heavy Weight



Image Stabilizer

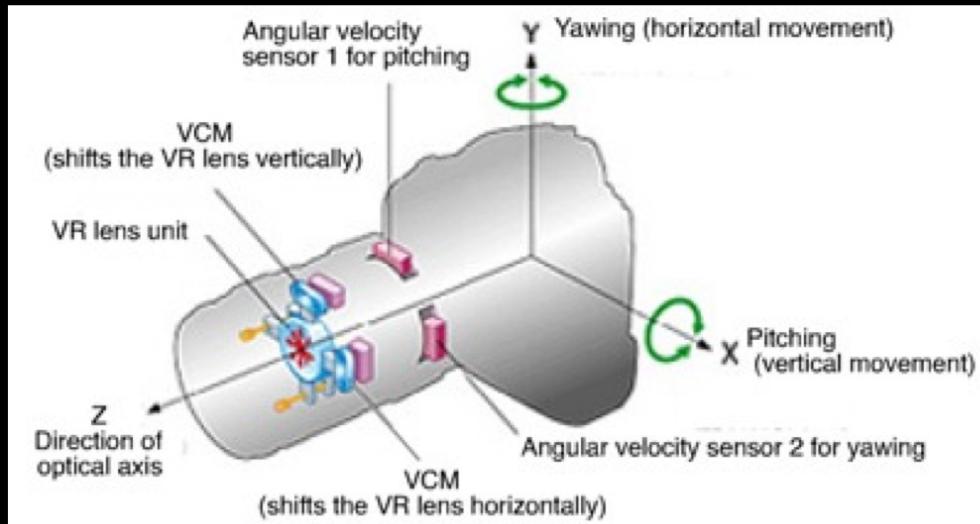
Optical Image Stabilization

- Fight handshake.
 - Lens-Shift Image Stabilization
 - Vary the optical path to the sensor.
 - Sensor-Shift Image Stabilization
 - Move the sensor to counteract motion.

Lens-Shift Image Stabilization

- Lots of different names
 - Image Stabilization (Canon)
 - Vibration Reduction (Nikon)
 - Optical Stabilization (Sigma)
 - Vibration Compensation (Tamron)
 - Mega OIS (Panasonic, Leika)

Lens-Shift Image Stabilization

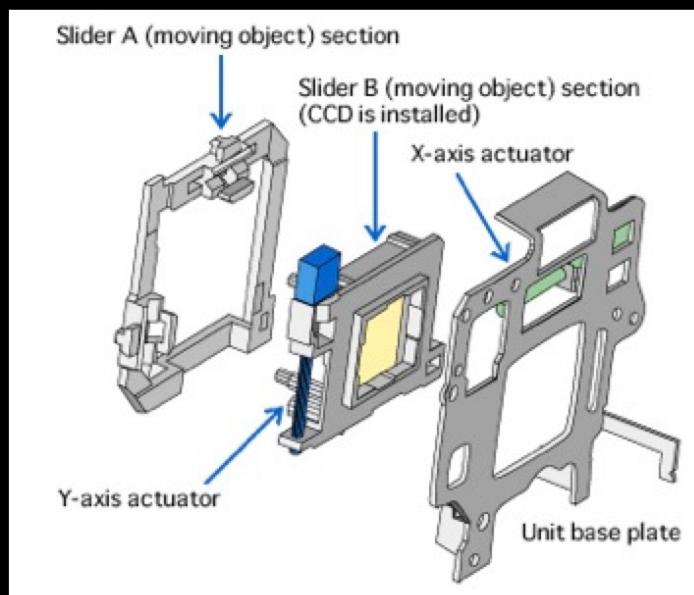


- A floating lens element moves orthogonally to the optical axis, using electromagnets.
 - Vibration is detected by two gyroscopes.
 - Pitch and yaw movements are compensated.
 - Roll and linear movement are not.

Sensor-Shift Image Stabilization



Sony's Built-in Image Stabilisation



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Sung Hee Park

Lens-Shift vs. Sensor-Shift

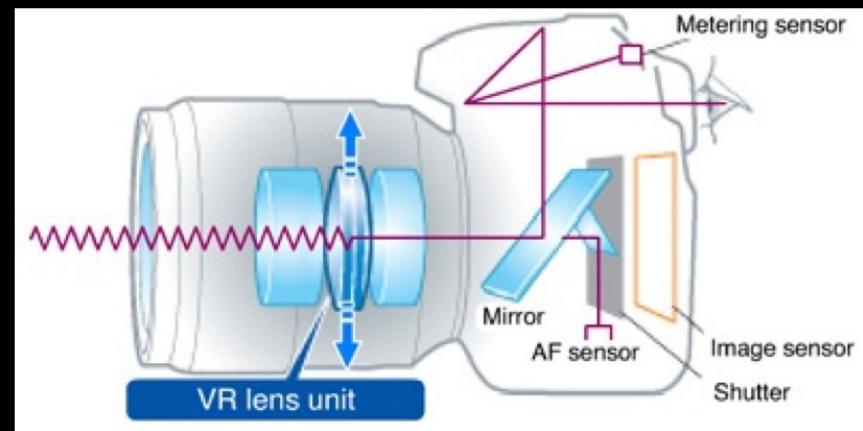
Lens-Shift

- Stable viewfinder
- Better AF/AW
- Optimized to every lens



Sensor-Shift

- Works for all lens
- Cost-effective
- Better optical performance



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Digital Stabilization

- What if you already incurred blur?
 - Need to “remove” blur

Image Formation

- $I = L \otimes K + N$
- I : Observation
- L : Latent image
- K : Blur kernel
- N : Noise



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Some Results



Some Results



Now let us read a few classic papers on digital camera shake removal...

1st Paper to read today (SIGGRAPH):

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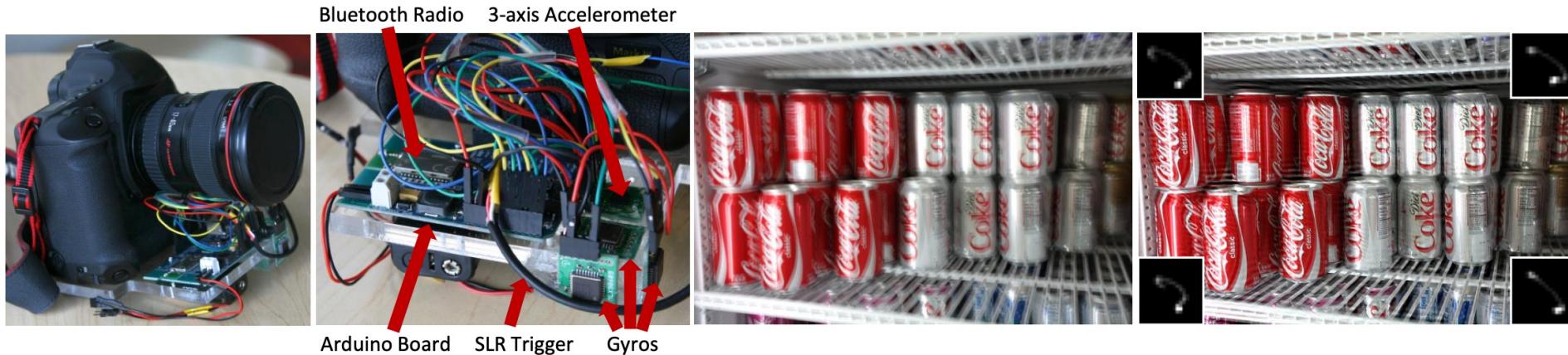


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https://eng.ucmerced.edu/people/zhu/CVPR16_sensordeblur.html/

Abstract

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those derived from natural image statistics), the distribution of camera motions is difficult to model due to its large diversity and inherent randomness. To gain additional informa-

Guided paper reading:

Format:

1. Give you 5 minutes (break time) to refresh your memory of pre-lecture self-reading ...
2. Also, check your name on ZOOM is correct → first name + last name.
3. Check your mic and camera (if suitable).
4. **Supervised paper reading session: 30 minutes.**
5. Breakout room: 15 minutes. Unmute yourself, turn on the camera if suitable, critical analysis questions to discussion, Nominate a “Speaker”, take notes (record your room-ID, and all the student names, speaker’s name, and key point of discussion) or write on PPT slides,
6. 5x random groups; report back, 15 minutes. Share screen, using PPT, Each group 3 minutes.

- Switch to PDF paper reading ... 30 minutes.

Breakout room: Now it is your turn.

- Breakout room group discussion & report:
- Check your name on Zoom
- Take note: breakout room ID, room members, “Mr/Ms speaker”.
- Your task:
 - Pick one paper, either (1) the “Rob Fergus”, or (2 + 3) “Neel Joshi” and “Zhe Hu”.
 - Discuss their limitations/drawbacks.
 - Try to answer the following “critical analysis” questions → page turn ..
 - Report back in 3 minutes by the “Mr/Ms speaker”. Tutor may record your report.

Critical Analysis

5.1. Are the paper's contributions significant?

Are the contribution/improvement trivial, incremental?
Why previous efforts failed ?

5.2. Are the authors' main claims valid?

Have they convincingly validated their main idea?
Any hole in their arguments, derivation, experiments ?

5.3. Limitation and weaknesses

Any limitation/weakness of their method? What can be done to improve the work ?
What would you do to address/overcome their weaknesses?

5.4. Extension and future work

What *extra* experiments that you would suggest the authors to conduct in order to strengthen the result ?

Can you think of other possible applications of the method/ideas (assuming valid) presented in the paper?

What are possible future works?

5.5. Is the paper stimulating or inspiring ?

Many papers (even those published ones) are dull, while some are exciting. What is your opinion about this paper and why?

5.6. Conclusion and personal reflection

First, draw a short conclusion about this paper.
Then, if you were tasked to solve the research problem, what would you do differently? an alternative solution ?
Finally, in one sentence, summarize what you have learned from reading this paper.

Some PPT slides for paper#1 borrowed from
Fergus's SIGGRAPH talk.

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and
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Overview



Close-up



Image formation process

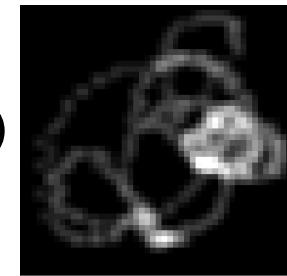


Blurry image

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Sharp image



Blur
kernel

Input to algorithm

Desired output

Model is approximation

Convolution
operator

Why is this hard?

Simple analogy:

11 is the product of two numbers.

What are they?

No unique solution:

$$11 = 1 \times 11$$

$$11 = 2 \times 5.5$$

$$11 = 3 \times 3.667$$

etc.....

Need more information !!!

Multiple possible solutions



Blurry image

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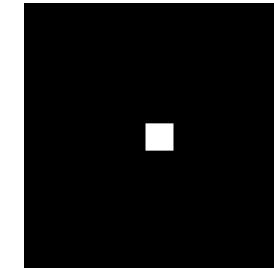
Sharp image

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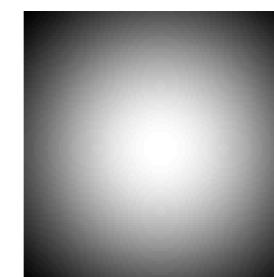


Blur kernel

\otimes



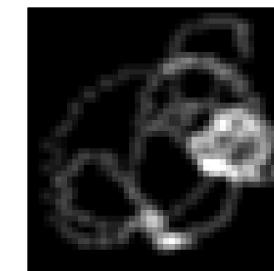
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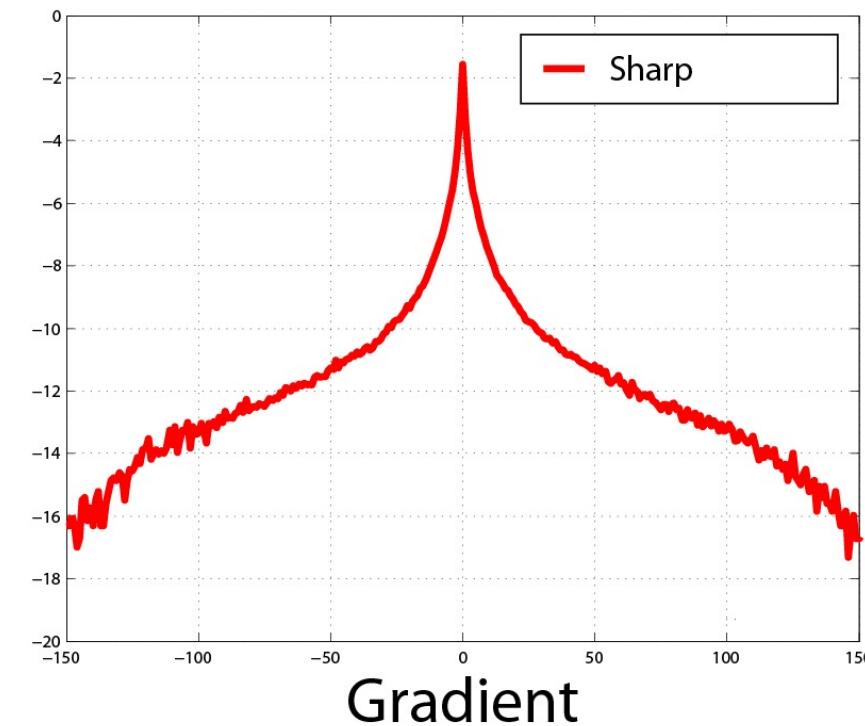


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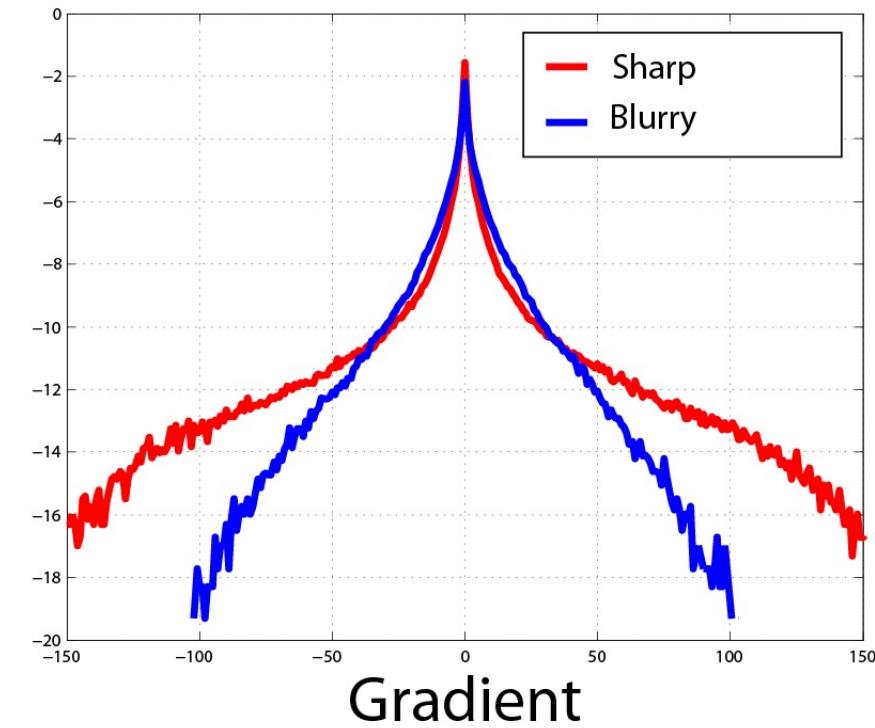


Natural image statistics

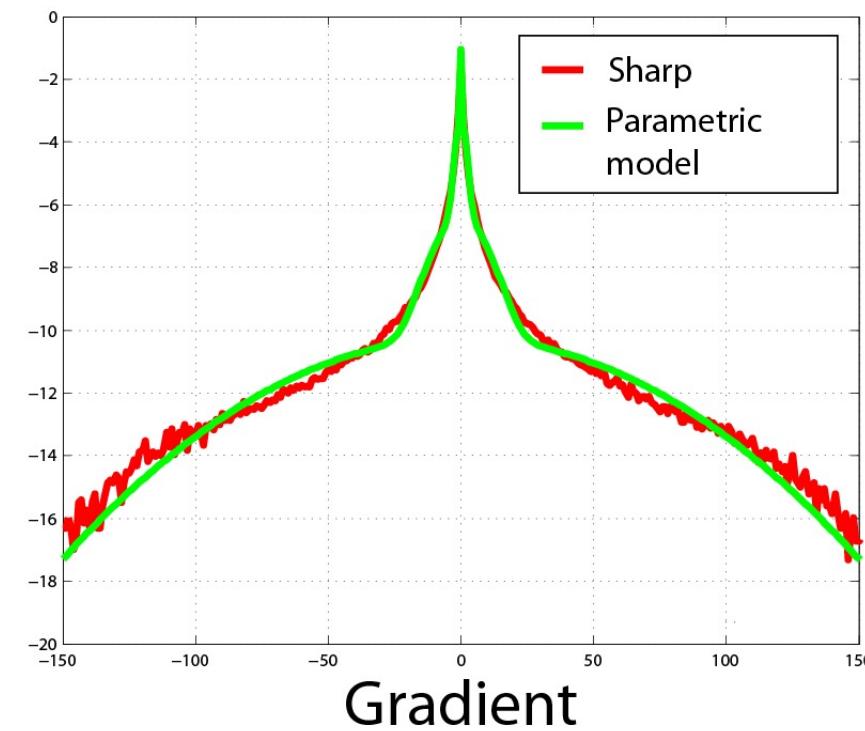
Characteristic distribution with heavy tails



Blurry images have different statistics



Parametric distribution



Use parametric model of sharp image statistics

Uses of natural image statistics

- Denoising [Roth and Black 2005]
- Superresolution [Tappen et al. 2005]
- Intrinsic images [Weiss 2001]
- Inpainting [Levin et al. 2003]
- Reflections [Levin and Weiss 2004]
- Video matting [Apostoloff & Fitzgibbon 2005]

Corruption process assumed known

Existing work on image deblurring

Software algorithms:

- Extensive literature in signal processing community

Mainly Fourier and/or Wavelet based

Strong assumptions about blur

→ not true for camera shake

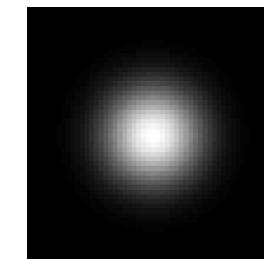
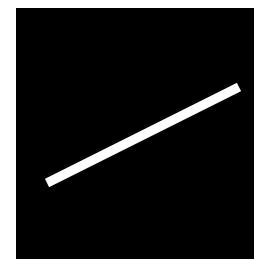


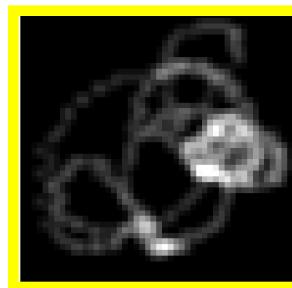
Image constraints are frequency-domain power-laws

Three sources of information

1. Image formation constraint:



Estimated sharp image

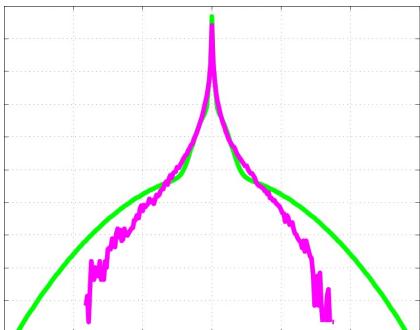


Estimated
blur kernel



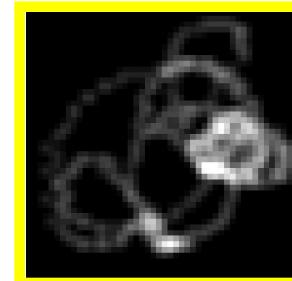
Input blurry image

2. Image prior:



Distribution of
gradients

3. Blur prior:



Positive
&
Sparse

How do we use this information?

Obvious thing to do:

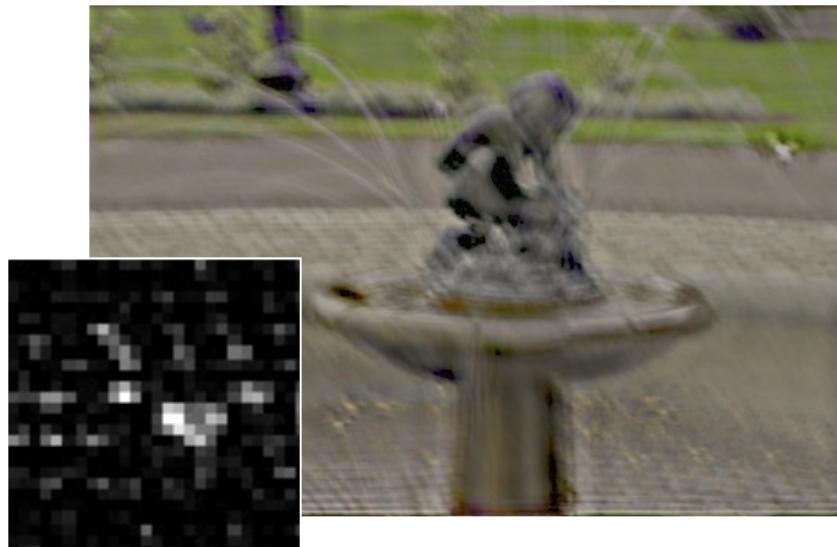
- Combine 3 terms into an objective function
- Run conjugate gradient descent
- This is Maximum a-Posteriori (MAP)

Results from MAP estimation

Input blurry
image



Maximum a-Posteriori (MAP) Our method: Variational Bayes



Overview of algorithm

1. Pre-processing
2. Kernel estimation
 - Multi-scale approach
3. Image reconstruction
 - Standard non-blind deconvolution routine



Preprocessing

Input image



Convert to
grayscale

Remove gamma
correction

User selects patch
from image

Bayesian inference too
slow to run on whole
image

Infer kernel
from this patch



Initialization

Input image



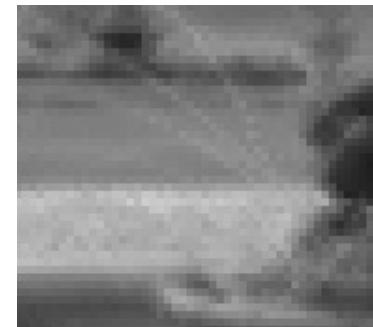
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Blurry patch



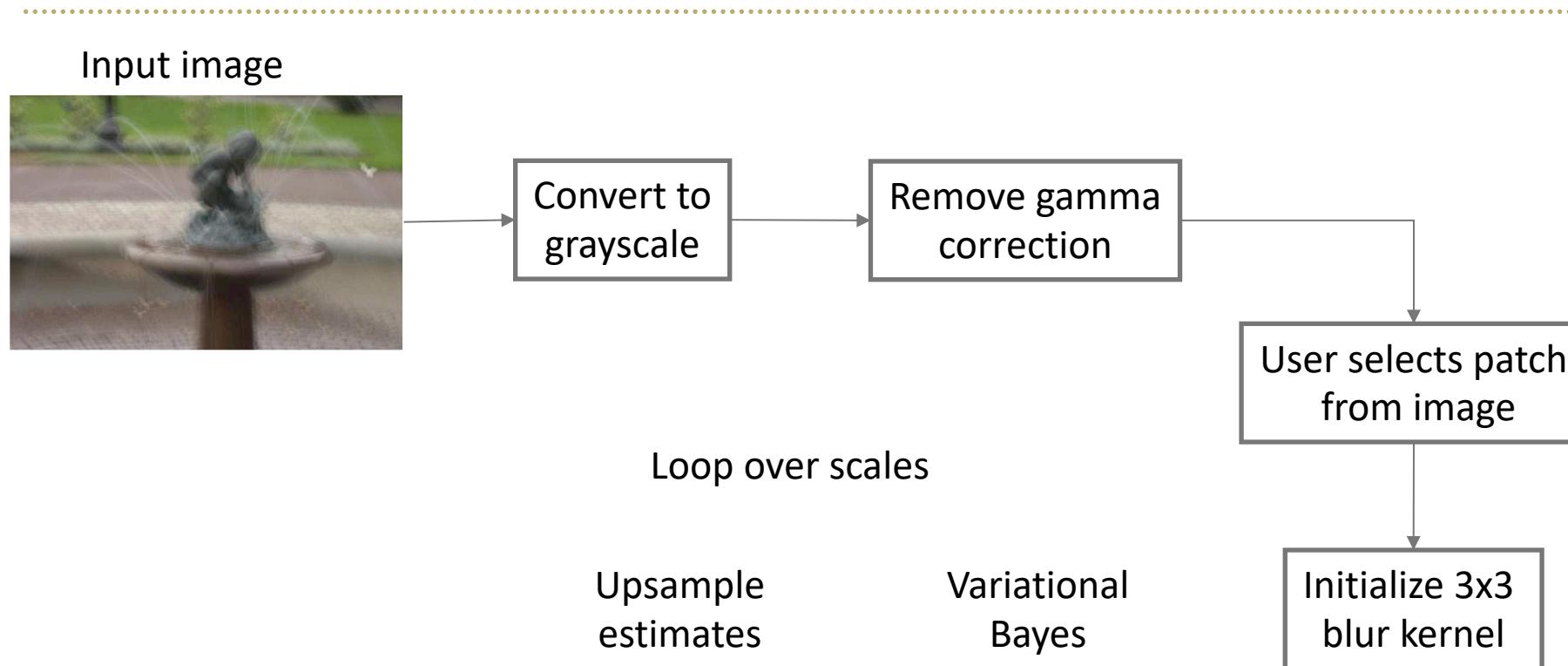
Initial image estimate

Initialize 3x3
blur kernel



Initial blur kernel

Inferring the kernel: multiscale method



Use multi-scale approach to avoid local minima:

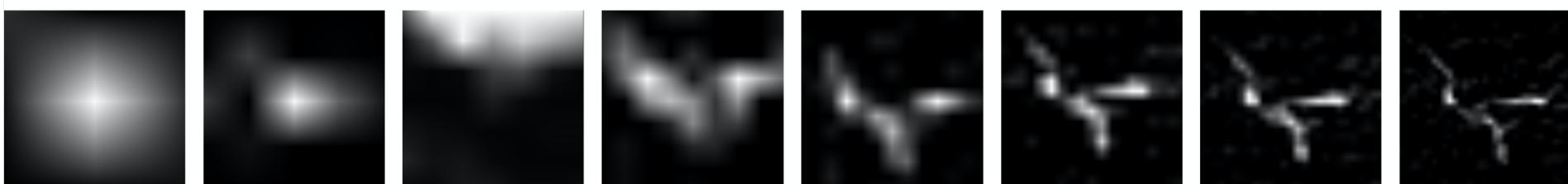


Image Reconstruction

Input image



Convert to
grayscale

Remove gamma
correction

User selects patch
from image

Loop over scales



Full resolution
blur estimate

Upsample
estimates

Variational
Bayes

Initialize 3x3
blur kernel

Non-blind deconvolution
(Richardson-Lucy)



Deblurred
image

Results on real images

Submitted by people from their own photo collections

Type of camera unknown

Output does contain artifacts

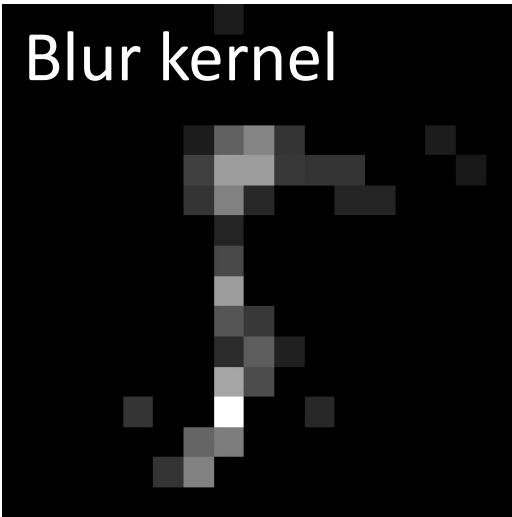
- Increased noise
- Ringing

Compares well to existing methods

Original photograph



Blur kernel



Our output



Matlab's deconvblind



Close-up of garland

Original



Matlab's
deconvblind



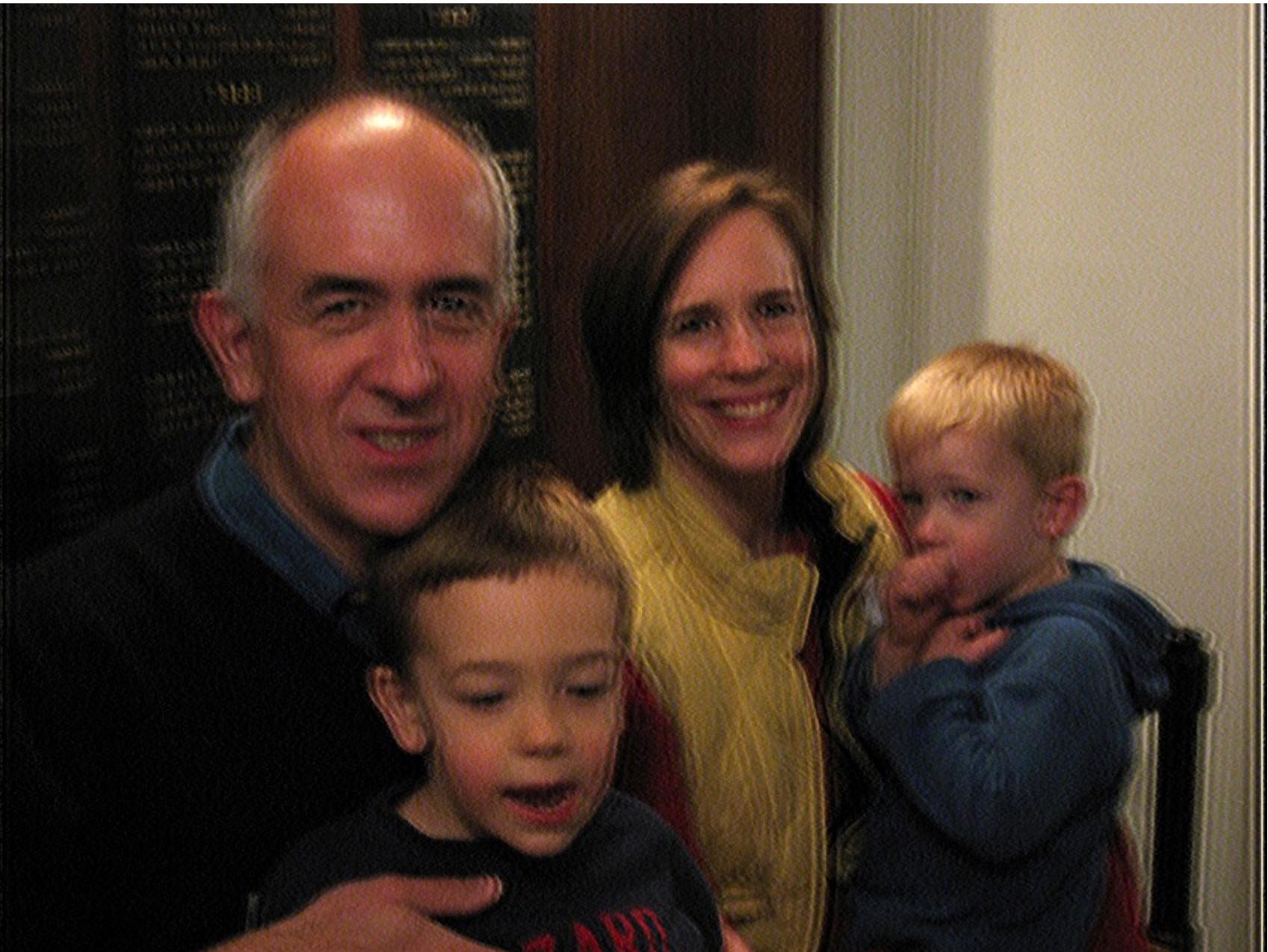
Our output



Original photograph



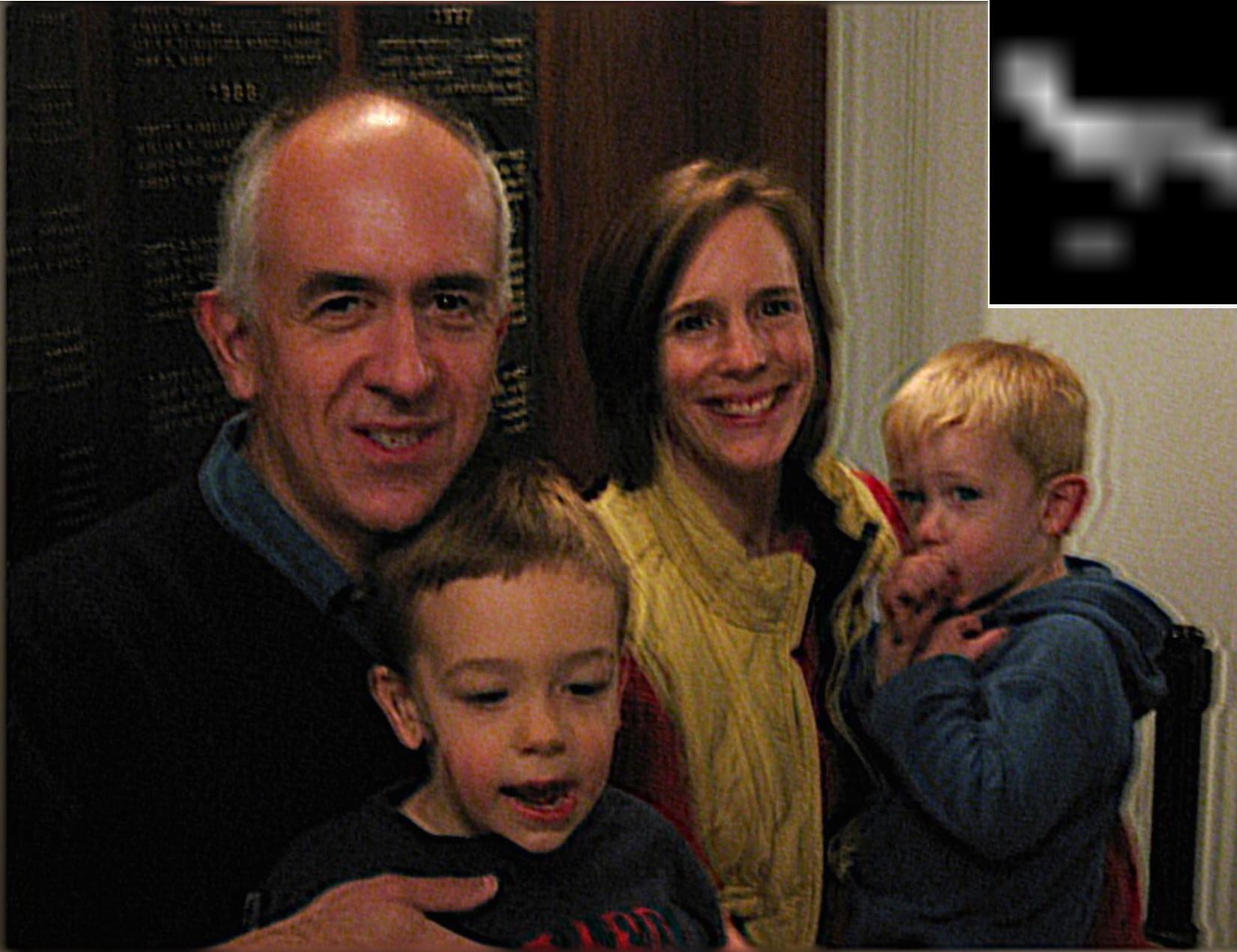
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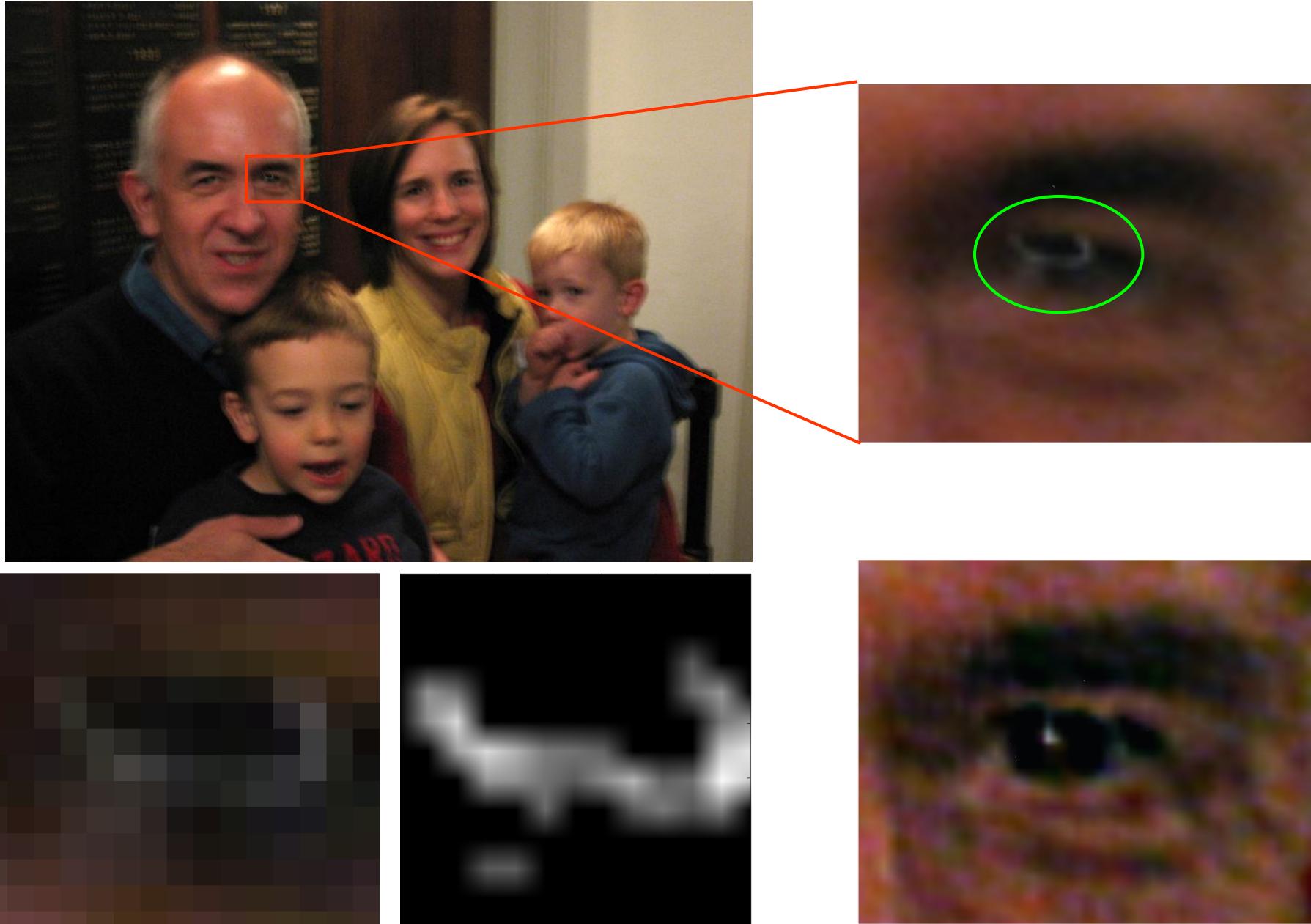


Photoshop sharpen more



Our output





Original photograph

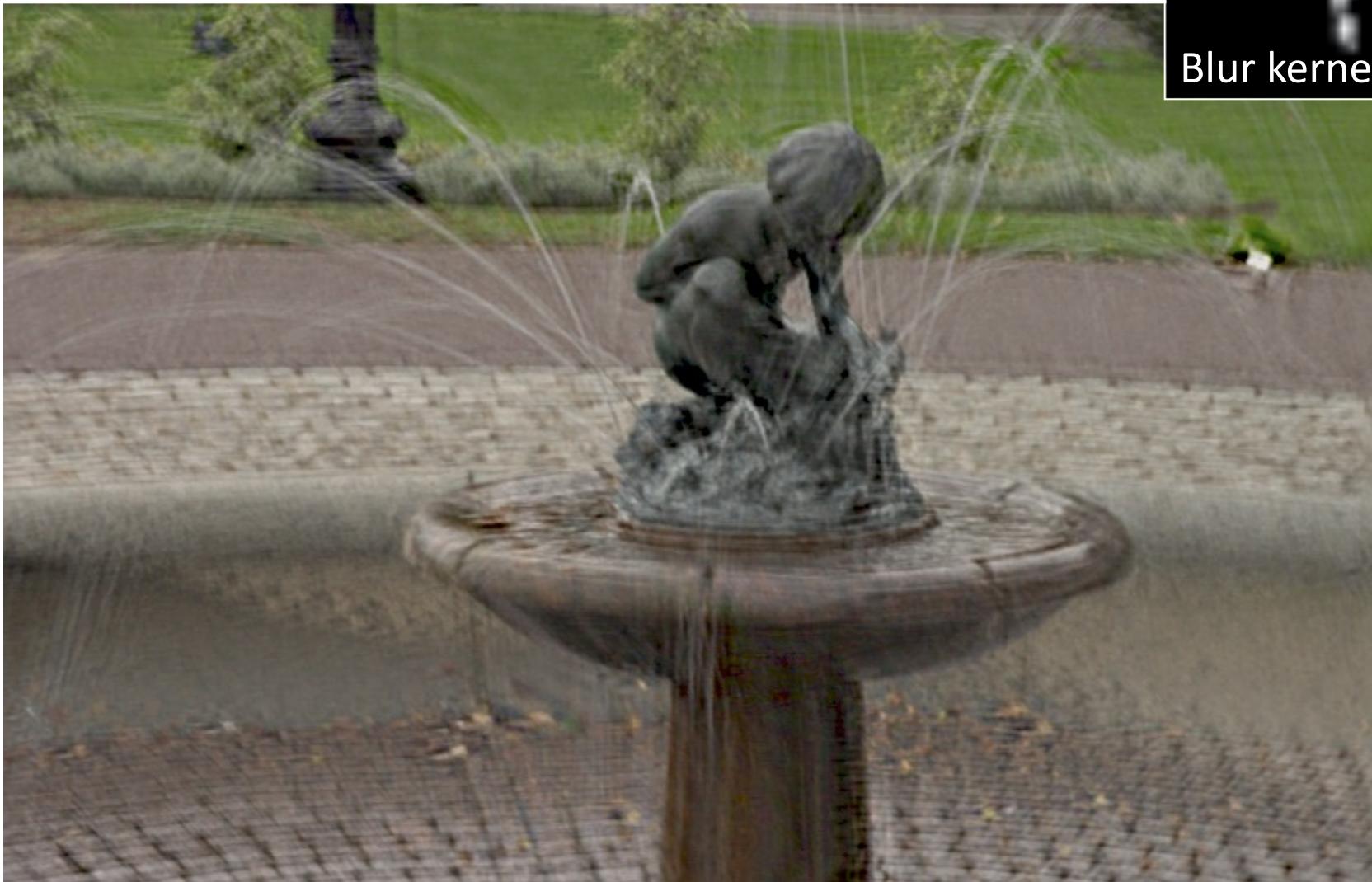


Our output



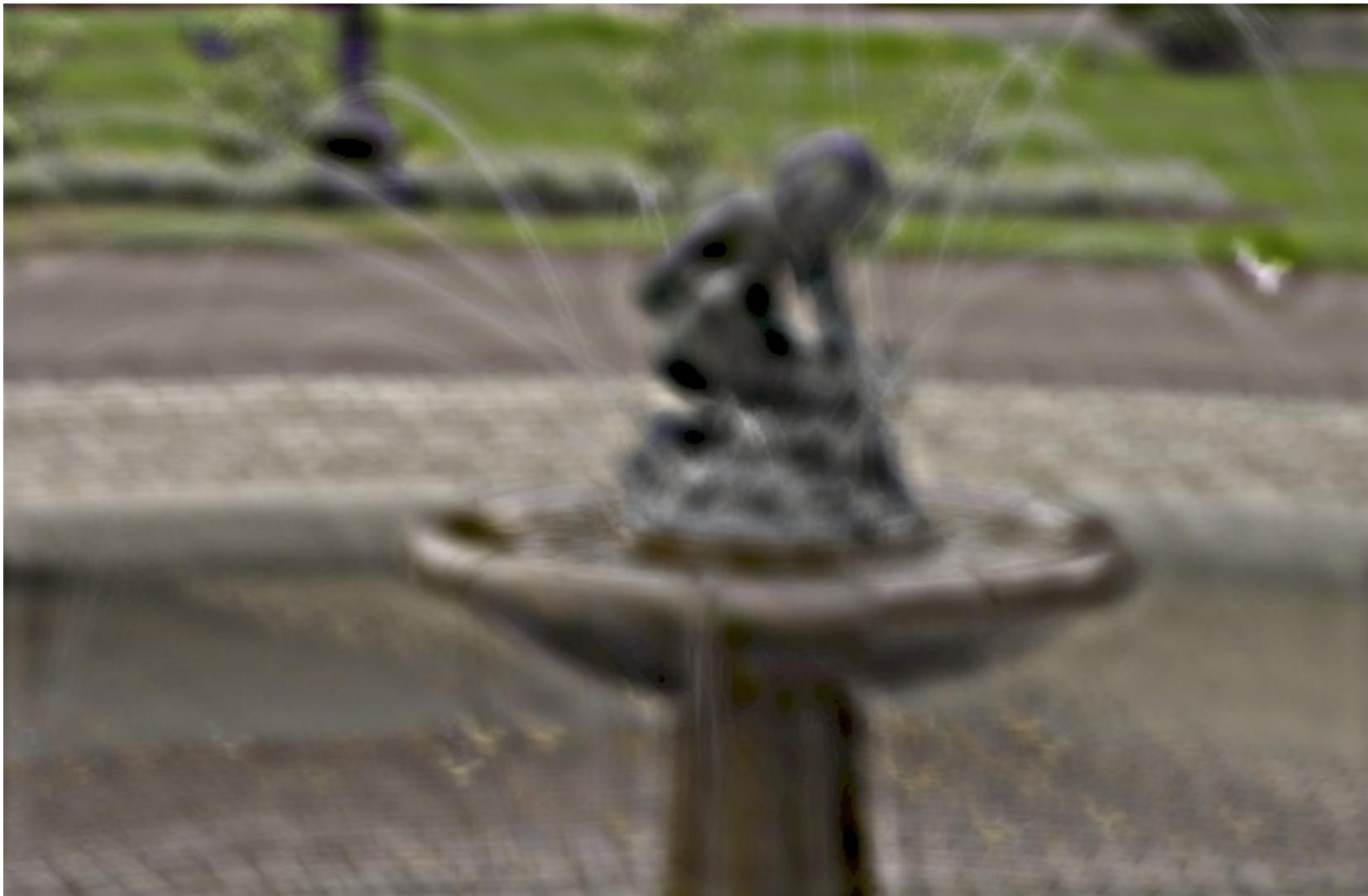
Blur kernel





Blur kernel

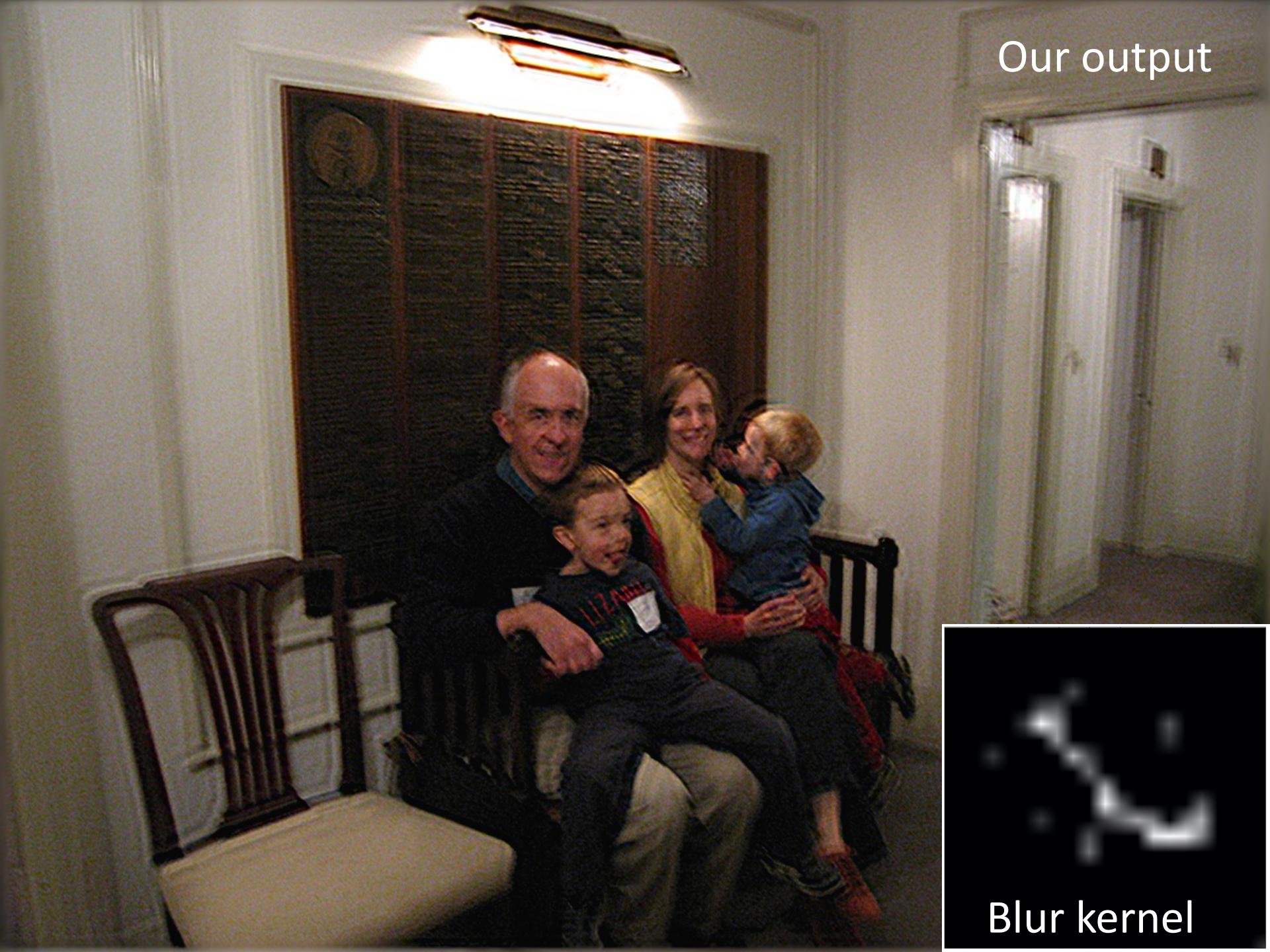




Original photograph



Our output



Blur kernel

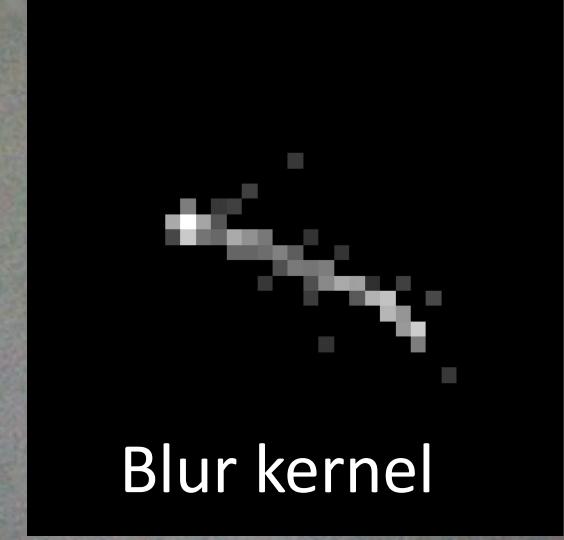
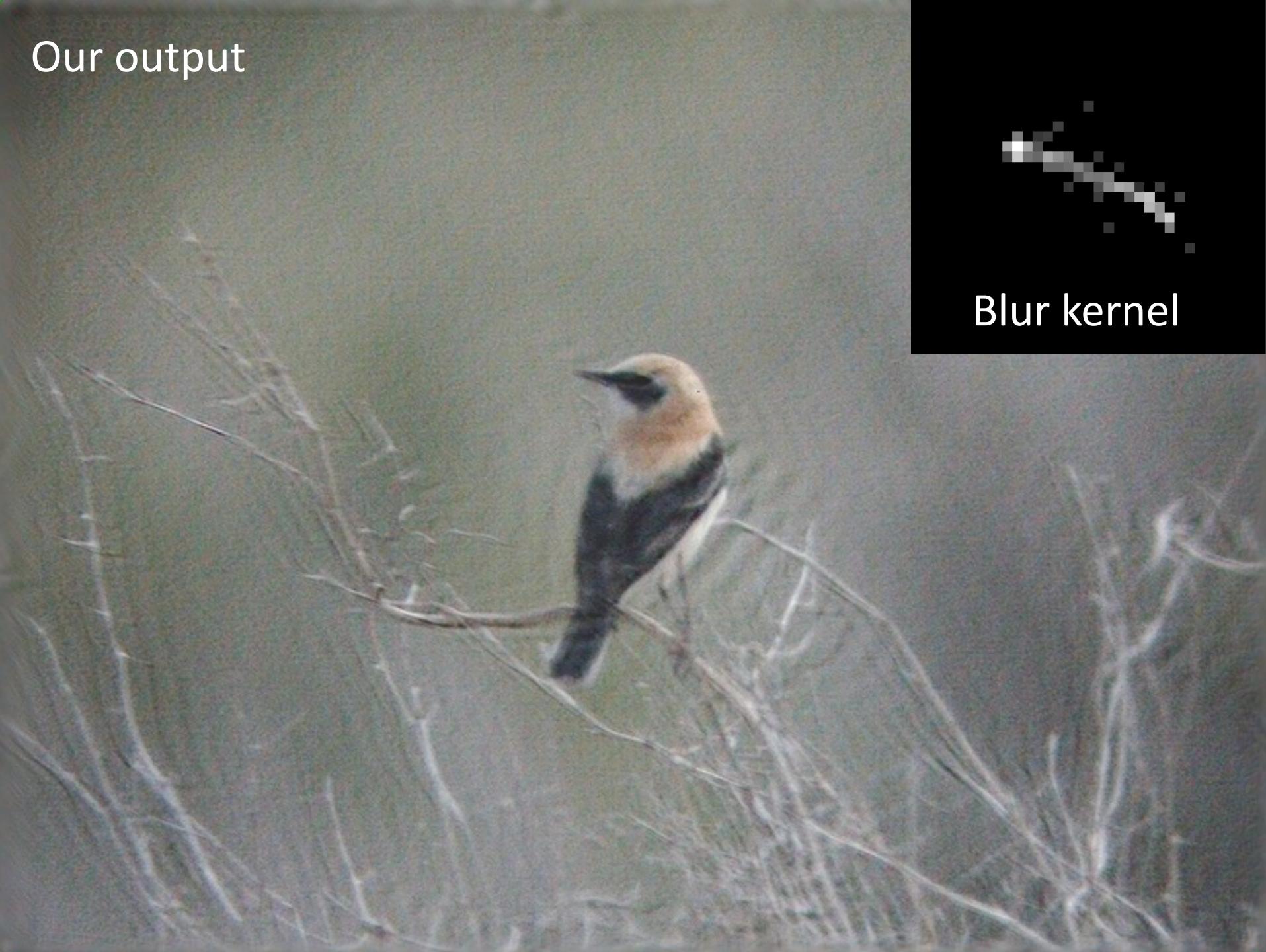
Close-up of child



Original photograph



Our output



Blur kernel



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Original photograph

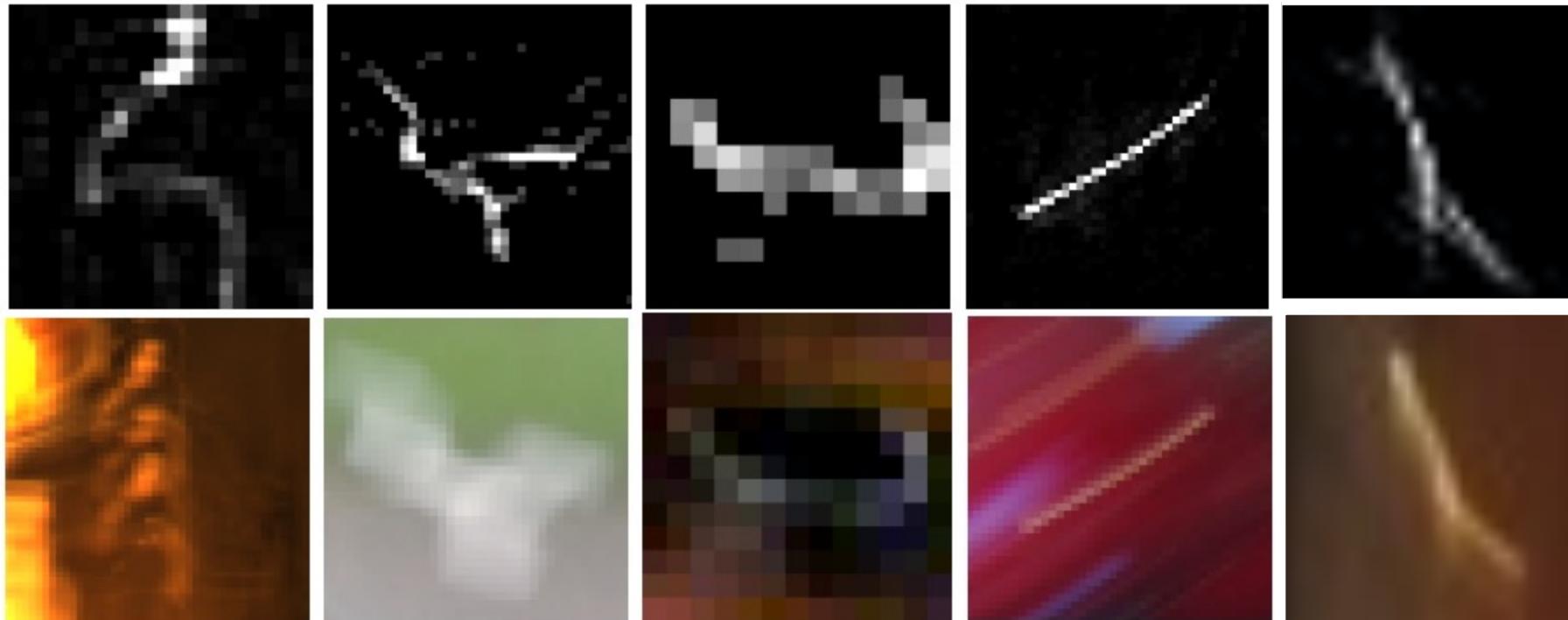




Our output



Image artifacts & estimated kernels



Note: blur kernels were inferred from large image patches,
NOT the image patterns shown

Blurry synthetic image



Our output



Ground truth



Matlab's deconvblind





Summary

Method for removing camera shake
from real photographs

First method that can handle
complicated blur kernels

Uses natural image statistics

Non-blind deconvolution
currently simplistic

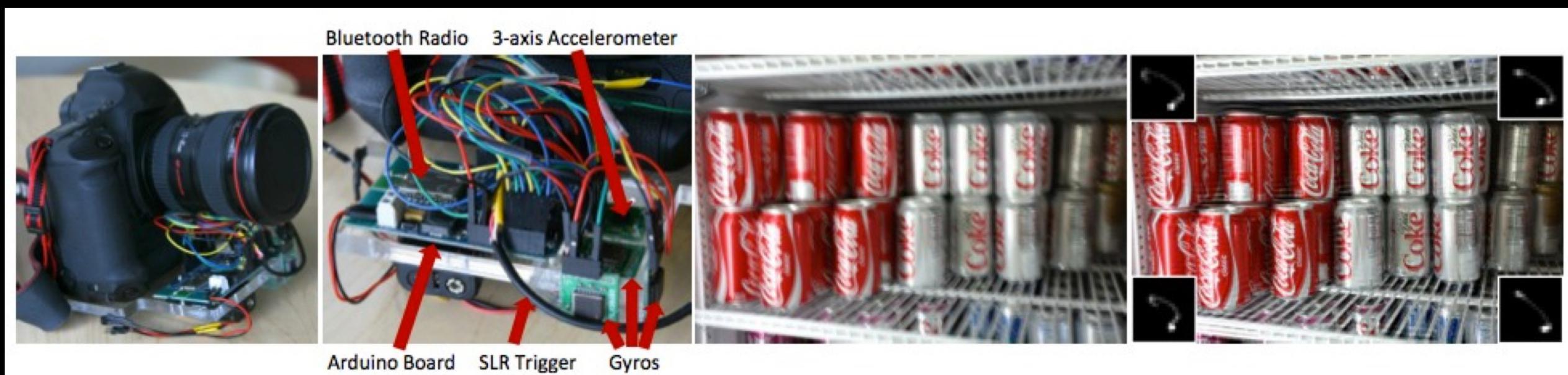
Things we have yet to model:

- Correlations in colors, scales, kernel continuity
- JPEG noise, saturation, object motion



Other Twists

- Use gyros to figure out kernel



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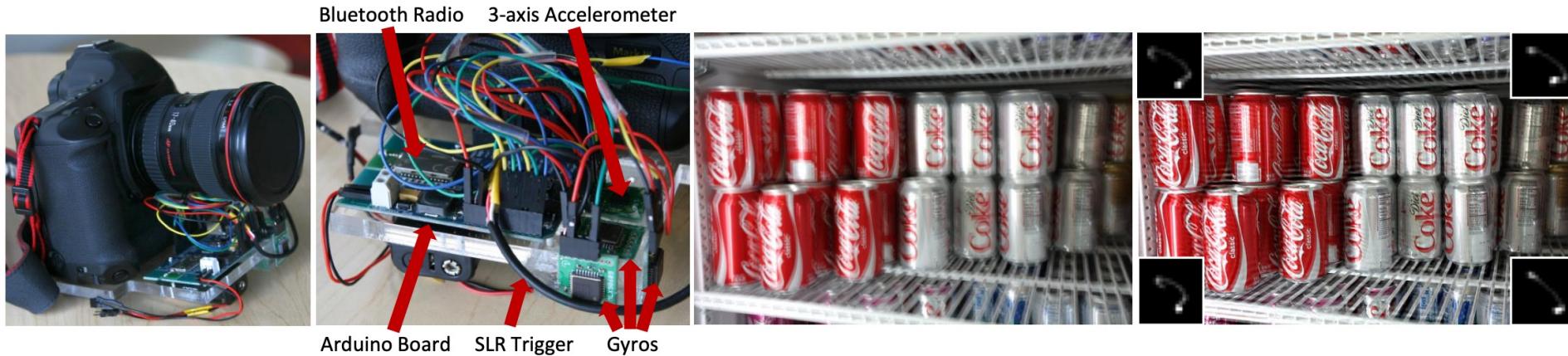


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Camera rotational motion

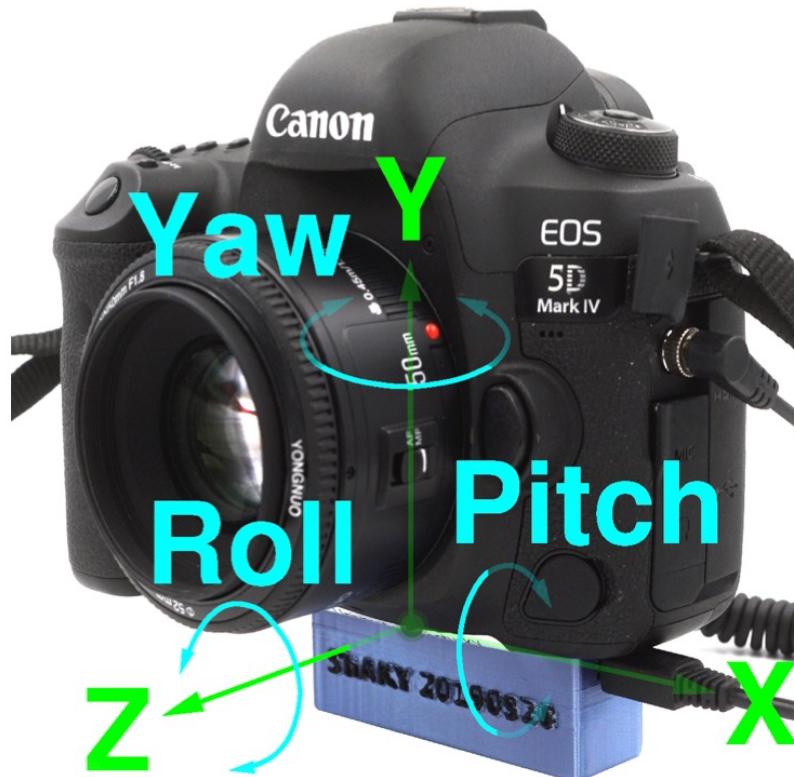
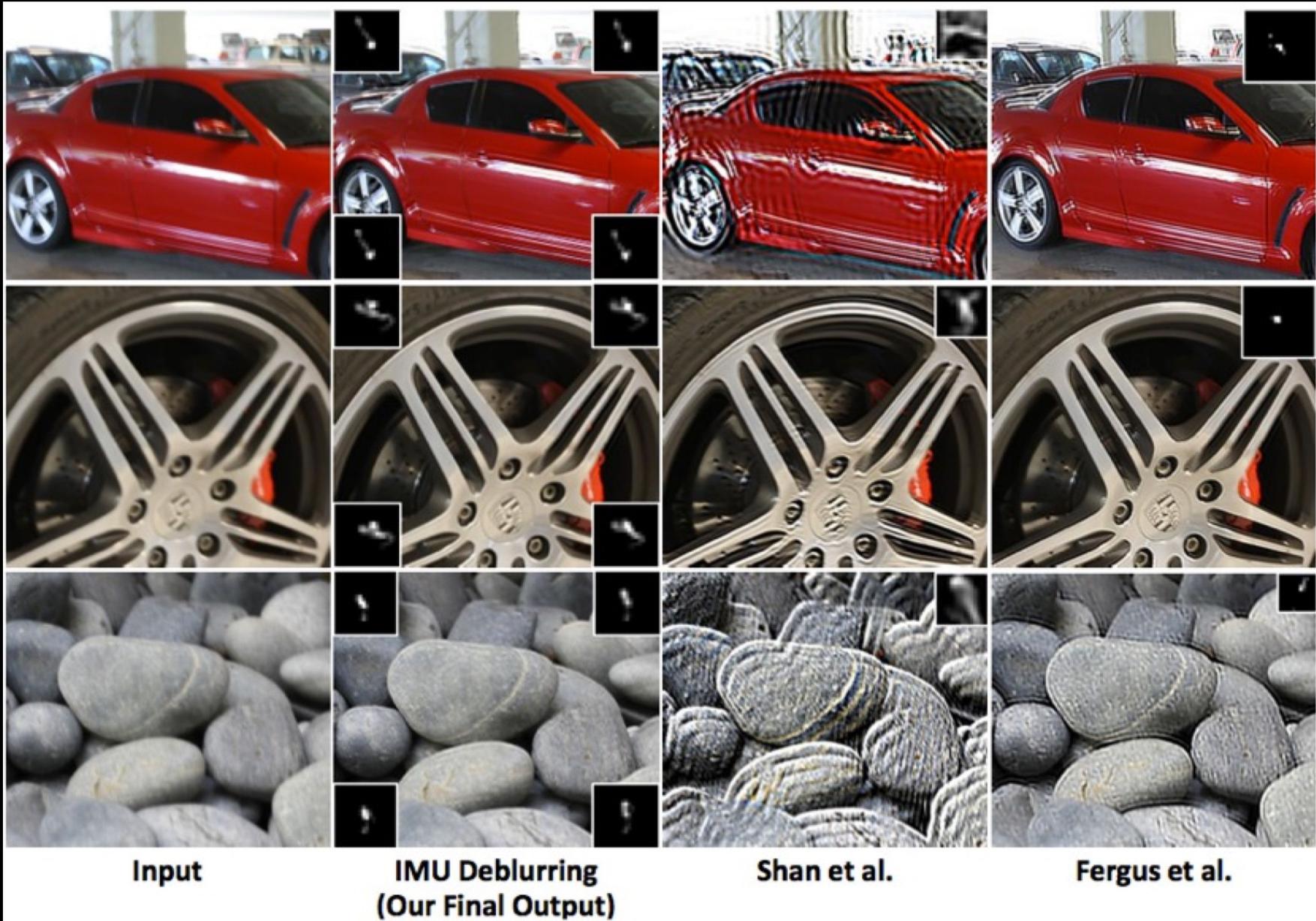


Figure 1. Measurement orientations for ShAKY on a Canon 5DIV

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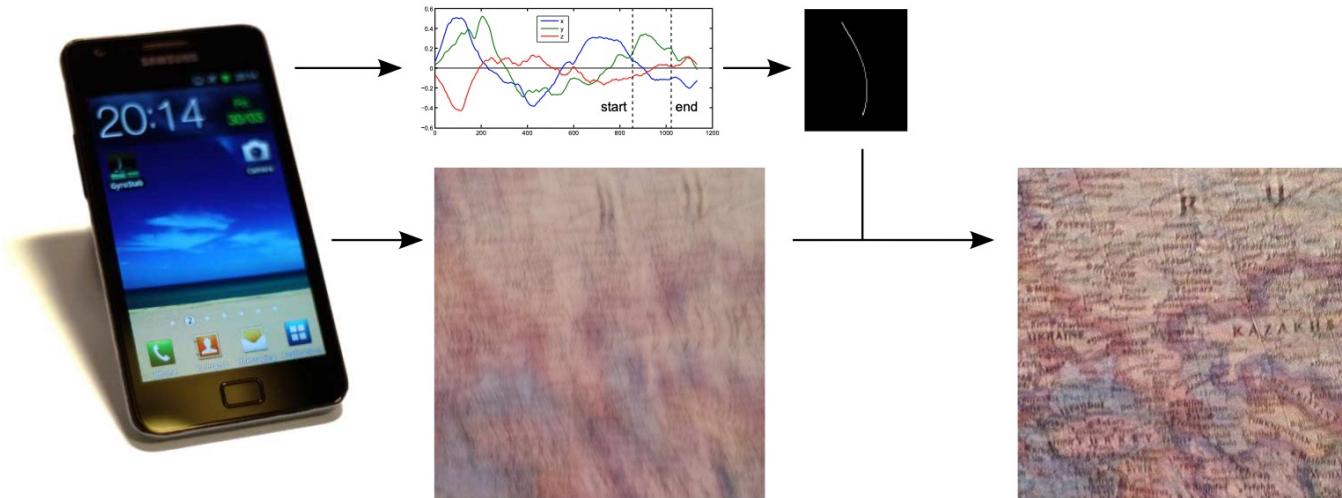


Figure 1: Basic application workflow. Together with a taken photograph gyroscope data are recorded, which is a base for blur kernel estimation. A deconvolution is then performed to remove blur from the image.