

Practical SVBRDF Acquisition of 3D Objects with Unstructured Flash Photography

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Introduction: Input



Unstructured flash photographs

MVS



Initial 3D Geometry

Introduction: Outputs



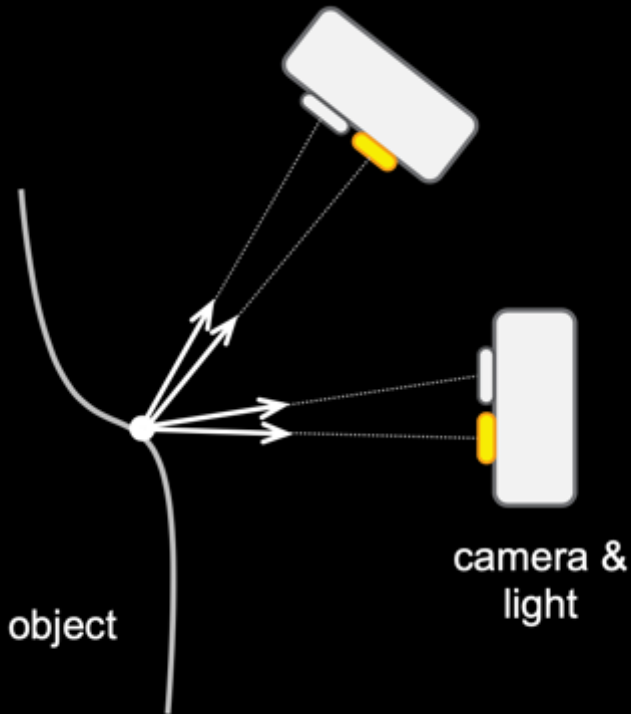
Spatially-varying BRDF



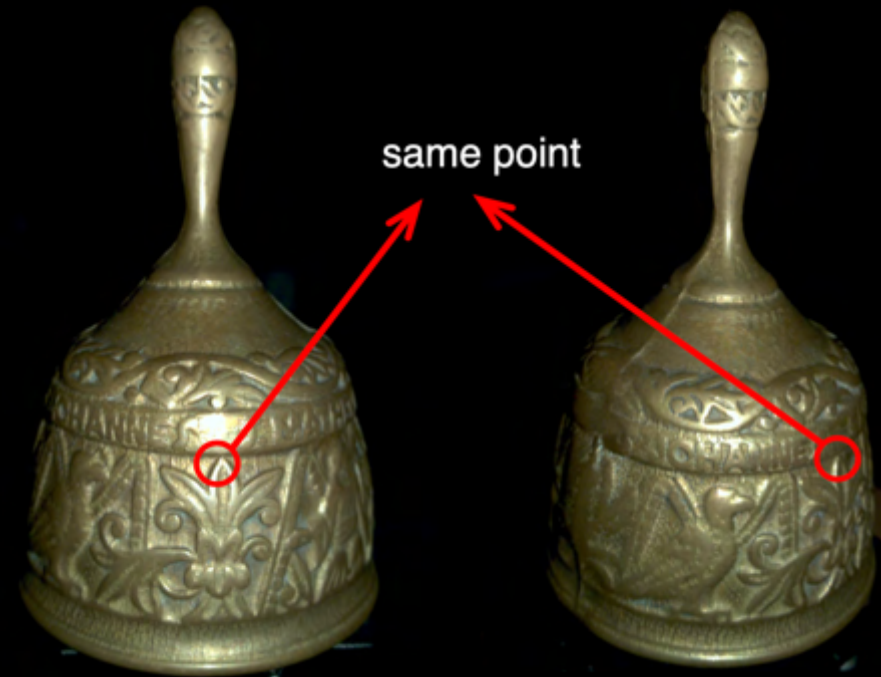
Reproduction in a virtual environment

Challenges

Limited sampling angles for BRDF acquisition



How can we ensure 3D-2D correspondence?

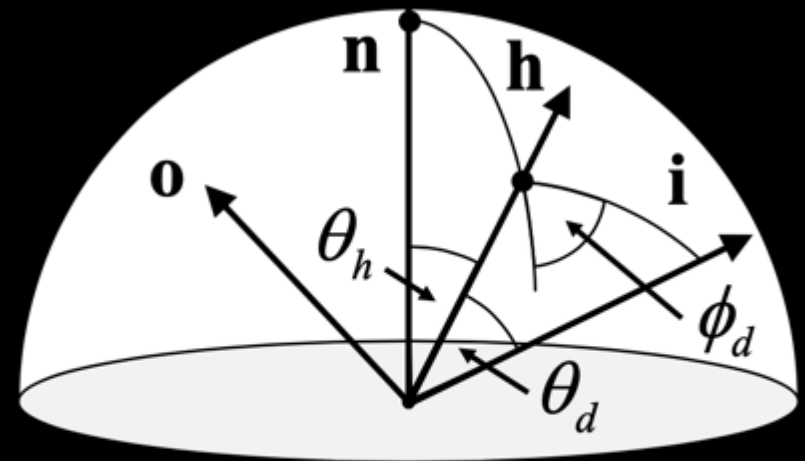


BRDF Acquisition from Flash Photography

BRDF: Bidirectional reflectance distribution

Parameter space for isotropic BRDFs

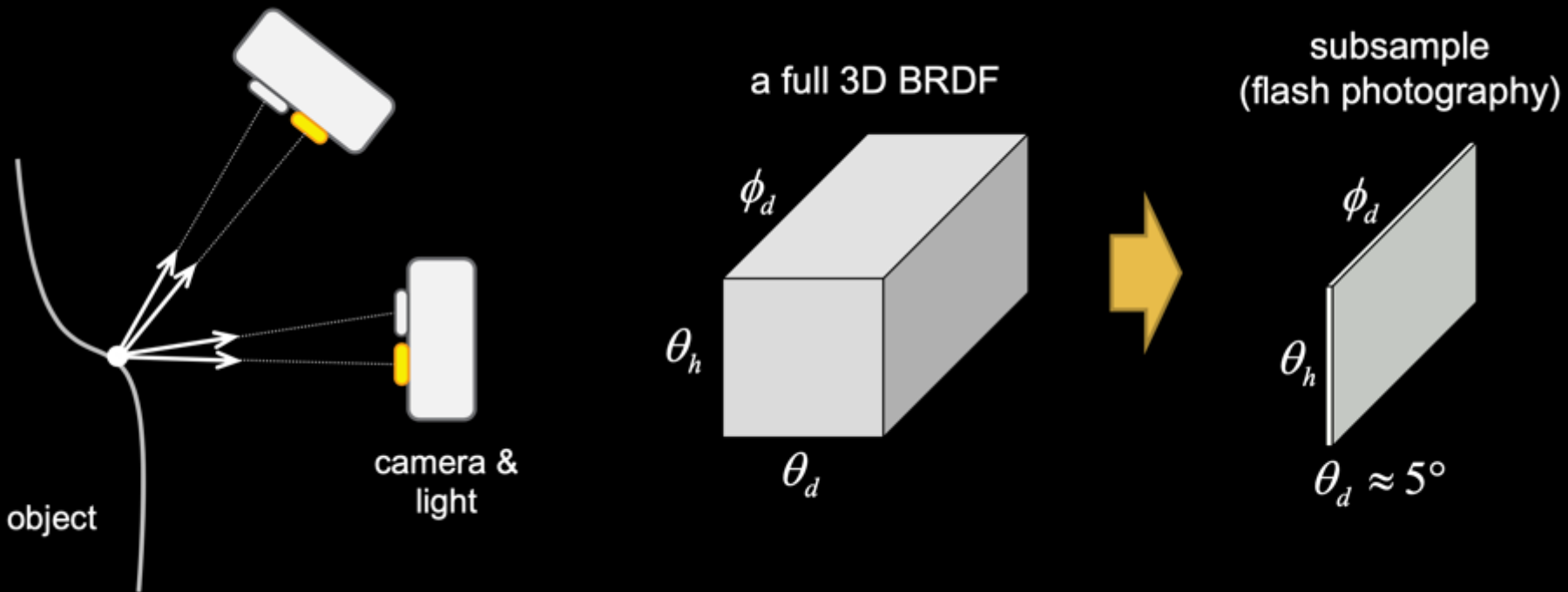
$$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}) = f(\theta_h, \theta_d, \phi_d)$$



[Rusinkiewicz 98]

BRDF Acquisition from Flash Photography

Limited BRDF sampling angle in flash photography



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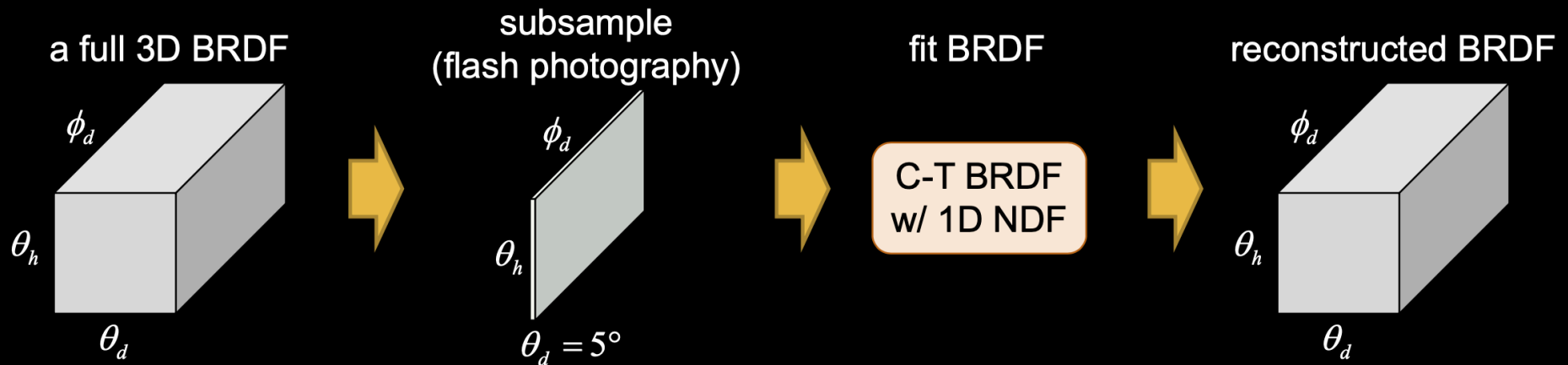
BRDF Model Validation

Cook-Torrance BRDF with 1D data-driven NDF

NDF: Normal Distribution Function

$$f_b(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} + \rho_s \frac{D(\mathbf{h})G(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})F(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{i})}{4(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{o})}$$

[Bagher et al. 2016]



[MERL BRDF dataset]

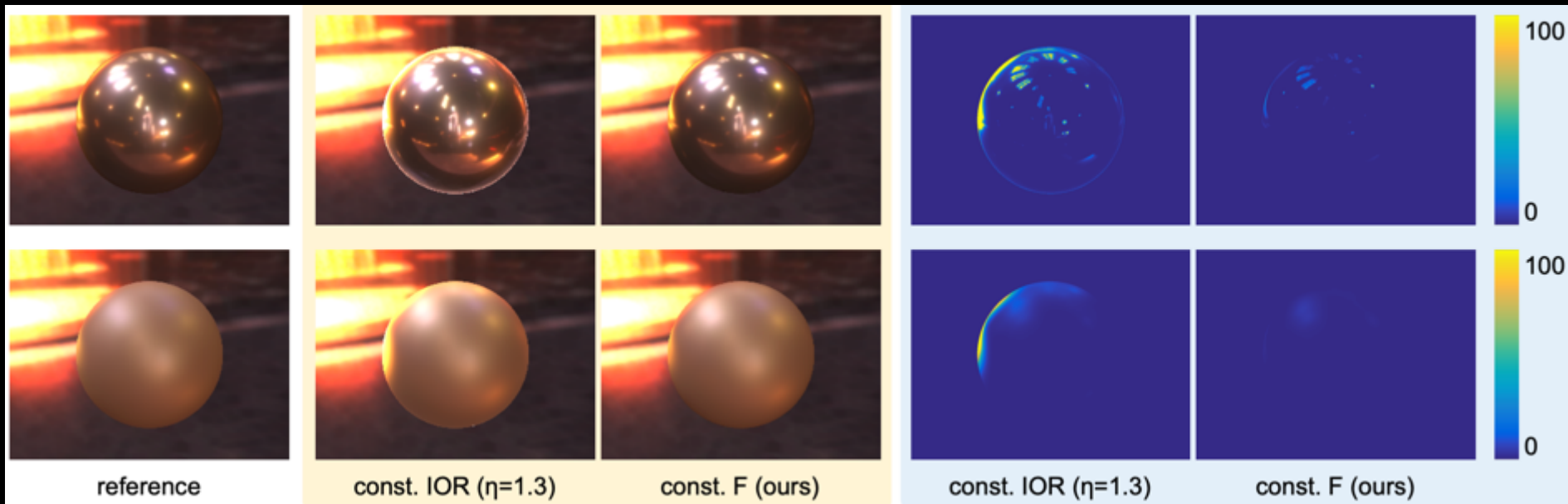
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$$\theta_d = \cos^{-1}(\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{i})$$

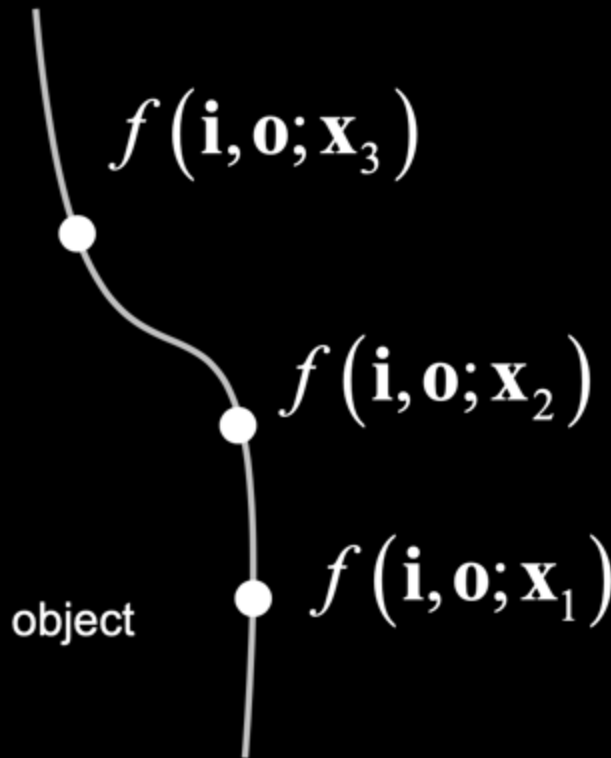
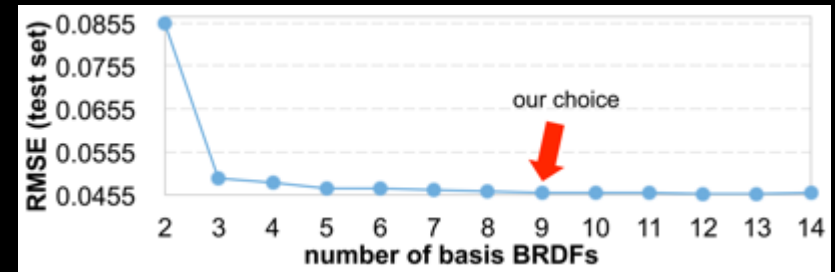
Fresnel Effects

$$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} + \rho_s \frac{D(\mathbf{h})G(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})F(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{i})}{4(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{o})}$$



SVBRDF Representation

Basis BRDFs and spatial blending weights



$$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{b=1}^B \omega_b f_b(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})$$

$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x})$: SVBRDF

$f_b(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})$: basis BRDF

ω : blending weight

B : # of basis BRDFs

Problem Definition

Objective function using photometric consistency



$$I(\mathbf{u}) = L(\mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) \Delta t \Delta g$$

captured image
 \mathbf{u} : pixel position

outgoing
radiance

Δt : exposure time
 Δg : flash intensity

$$L(\mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) = \underbrace{f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{n})}_{\text{reflectance function at point } \mathbf{x}} \underbrace{L(-\mathbf{i}; \mathbf{x})}_{\text{incident light at } \mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})$$

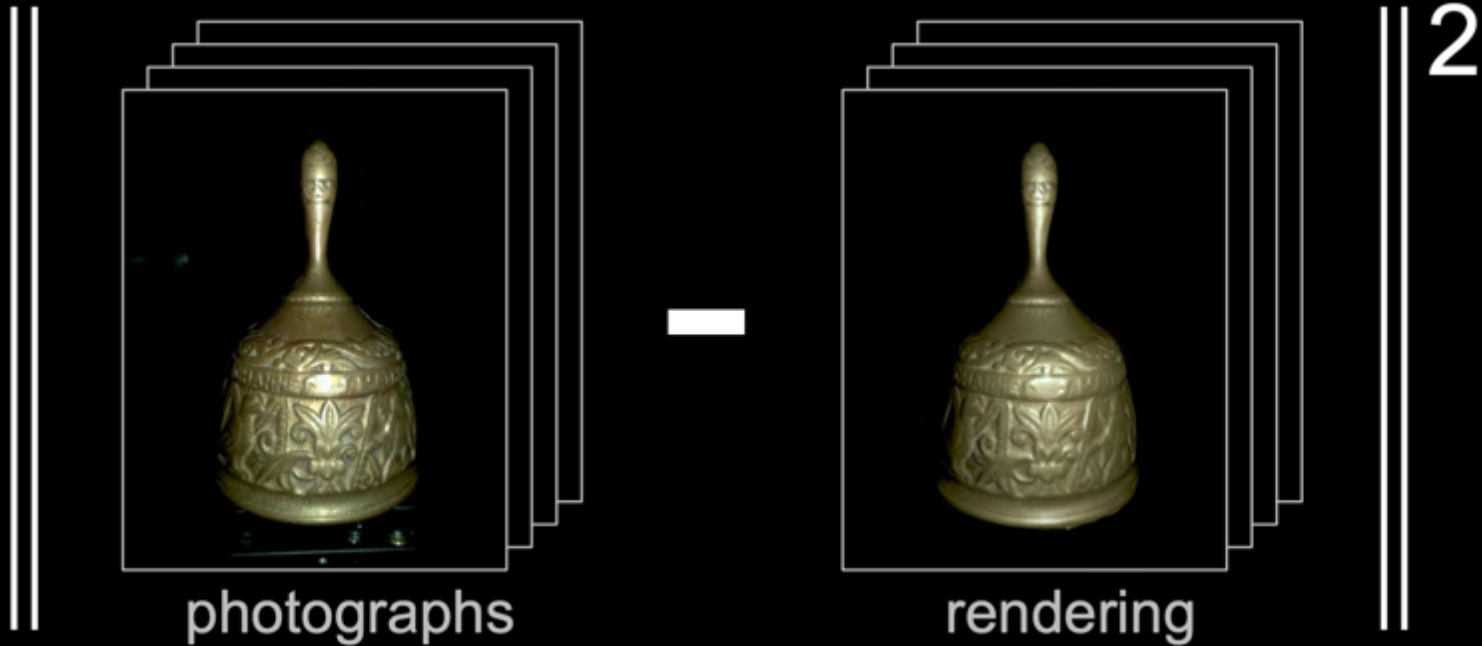
reflectance function
at point \mathbf{x}

incident light at \mathbf{x}

Problem Definition

Objective function using photometric consistency

minimize
 $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{F}_b$



photographs


rendering

\mathbf{X} : 3D vertices
 \mathbf{N} : surface normals

\mathbf{W} : blending weights
 \mathbf{F}_b : basis BRDFs

Problem Definition

Objective function using photometric consistency

$$\underset{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{F}_b}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K \left(L(\mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) L(-\mathbf{i}; \mathbf{x}) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \right)^2$$


for all images &
for all 3D vertices

captured radiance

reconstructed radiance

X: 3D vertices

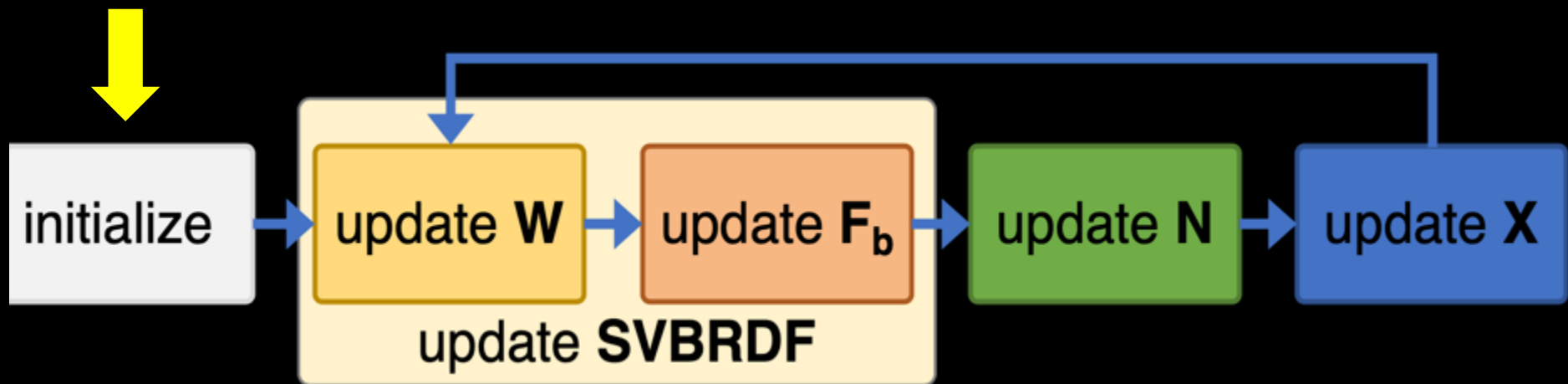
N: surface normals

W: blending weights

F_b: basis BRDFs

Overview

Iterative & alternating optimization of $\{X, N, W, F_b\}$



X: 3D vertices

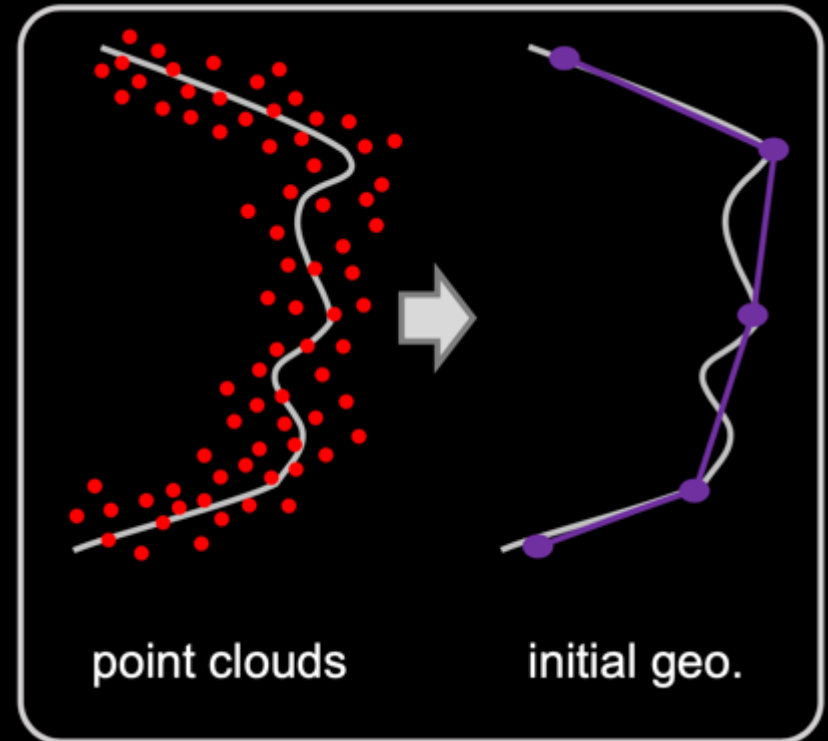
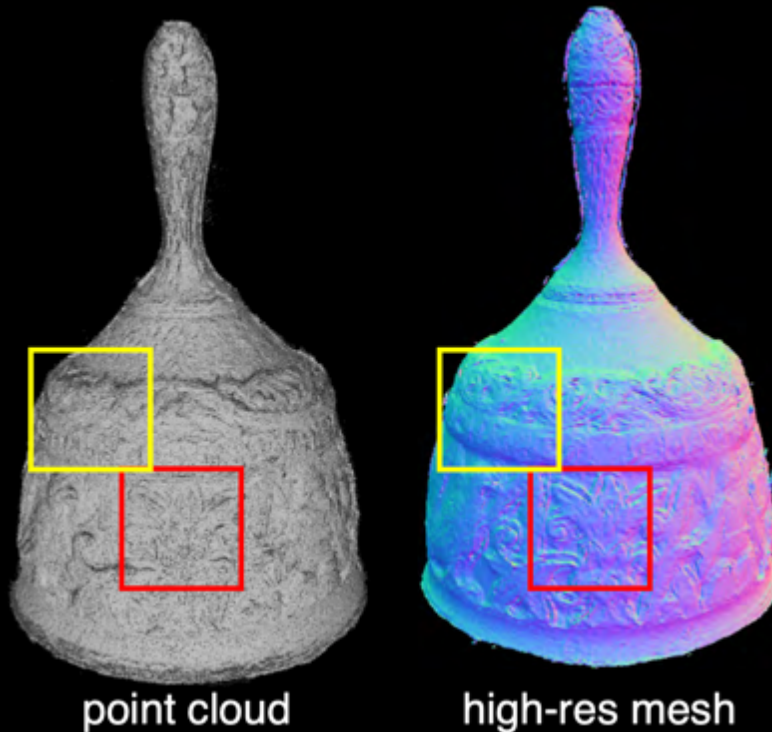
N: surface normals

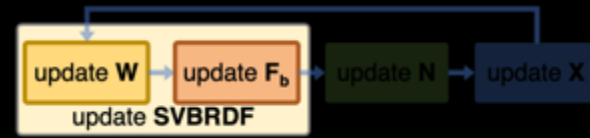
W: blending weights

F_b: basis BRDFs

Initialization

Initial geometry from image-based 3D modeling
COLMAP [Schönberger 2016]: SfM-MVS-meshing





Update SVBRDF

Re-formulate the equation w.r.t. the reflectance

$$\underset{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{F}_b}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K \left(L(\mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) L(-\mathbf{i}; \mathbf{x}) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \right)^2$$



$$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{b=1}^B \omega_b f_b(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})$$

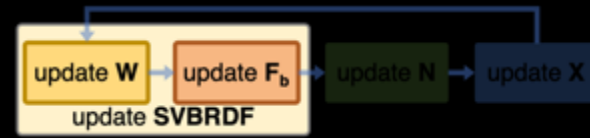
$$\underset{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{F}_b}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K v_{p,k} \left(f'_{p,k} - \Phi_{p,k} \sum_{b=1}^B \omega_{p,b} \mathbf{f}_b \right)^2$$

\mathbf{W} : blending weights

\mathbf{F}_b : basis BRDFs

captured reflectance

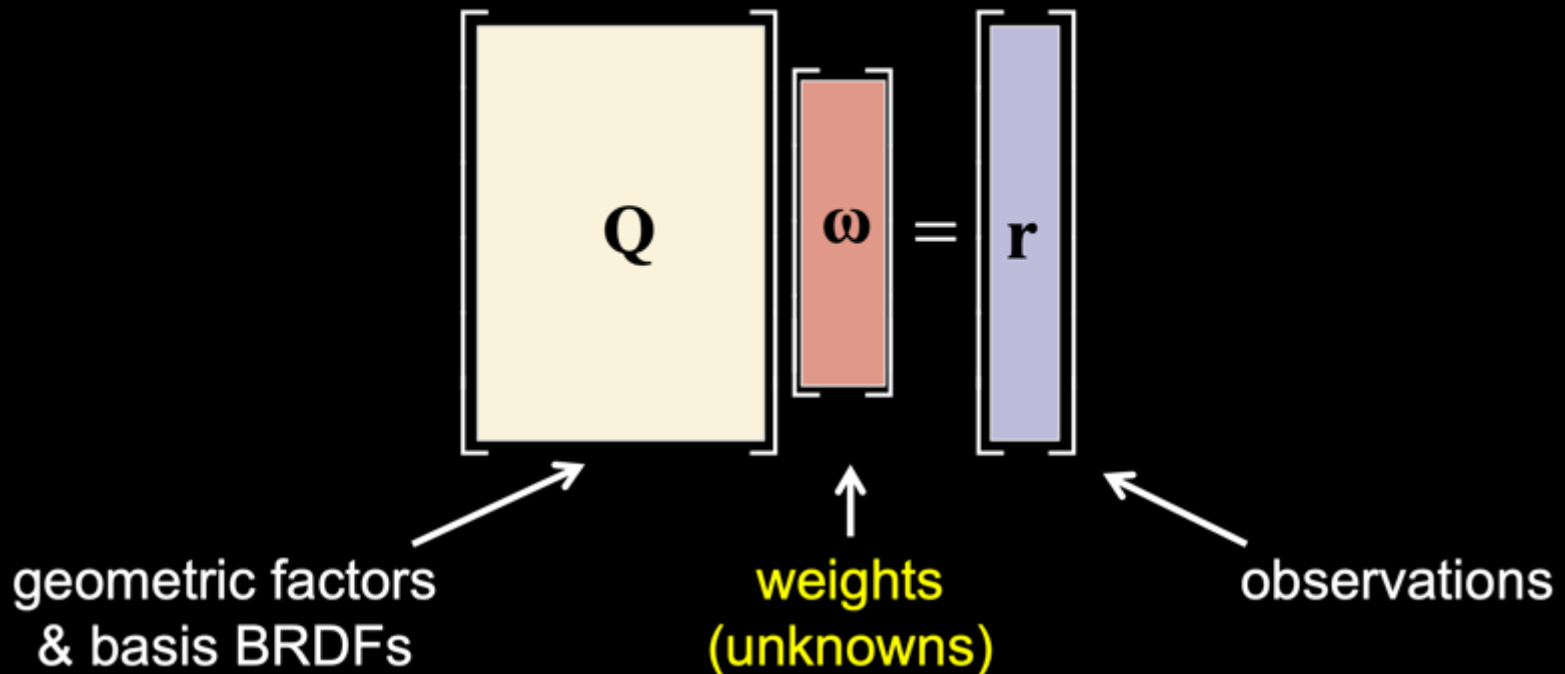
reconstructed reflectance

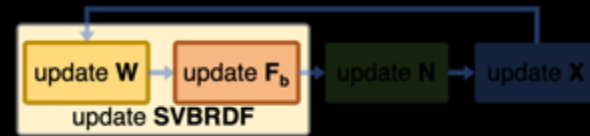


Update SVBRDF: blending Weights W

Per-vertex optimization

$$\underset{\omega}{\text{minimize}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Q}\omega - \mathbf{r}\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \omega_b > 0, \quad \sum_{b=1}^B \omega_{p,b} = 1$$





Update SVBRDFs: basisBRDFs

Hold W fixed and solve for F_b
Convex quadratic programming

$$\underset{F_b}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K v_{p,k} \left(\underbrace{f'_{p,k}}_{\text{observation}} - \Phi_{p,k} \sum_{b=1}^B \underbrace{\omega_{p,b}}_{\text{estimated weights}} \underbrace{\mathbf{f}_b}_{\text{basis BRDFs (unknowns)}} \right)^2$$

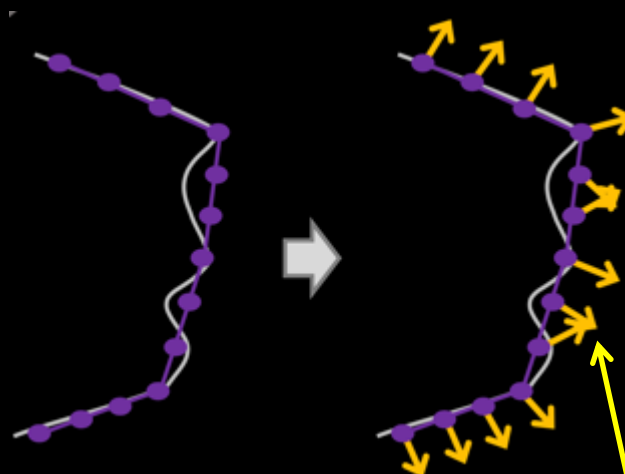
$\mathbf{f}_b = [\rho_d, \rho_s FD(\theta_h)]^T$



Update Normals

Per-vertex optimization

Linear regression easy to solve!

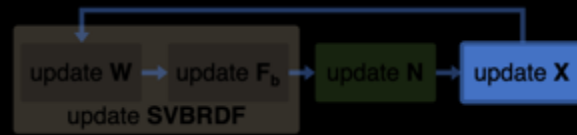


$$\text{minimize}_{\tilde{\mathbf{n}}} \sum_{k=1}^K \left(L(\mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{n}) L(-\mathbf{i}; \mathbf{x}) (\tilde{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \right)^2$$

K : # of images

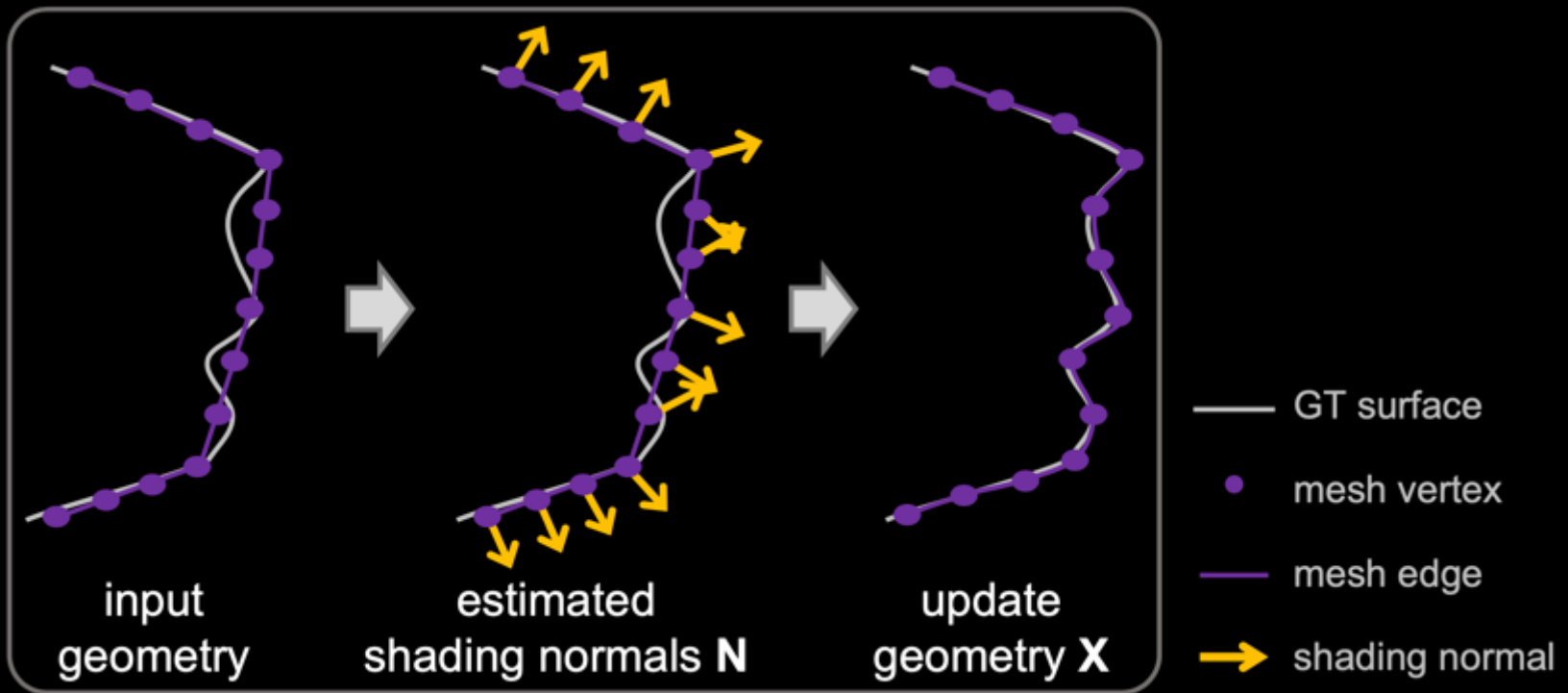
geometric normal
(\mathbf{n} , known)

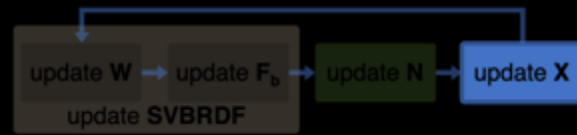
shading normal
($\tilde{\mathbf{n}}$, unknown)



Update Geometry

Screened Poisson surface reconstruction [Kazhdan2015]





Update Geometry

Screened Poisson surface reconstruction [Kazhdan2015]

X : new geometry (unknown)

$$\underset{\chi}{\text{minimize}} \int \left\| \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{x}_p) - \nabla \chi(\mathbf{x}_p) \right\|^2 d\mathbf{x}_p + \alpha \sum_{\mathbf{x}_p \in X} \chi^2(\mathbf{x}_p)$$

3D vector field from shading normals

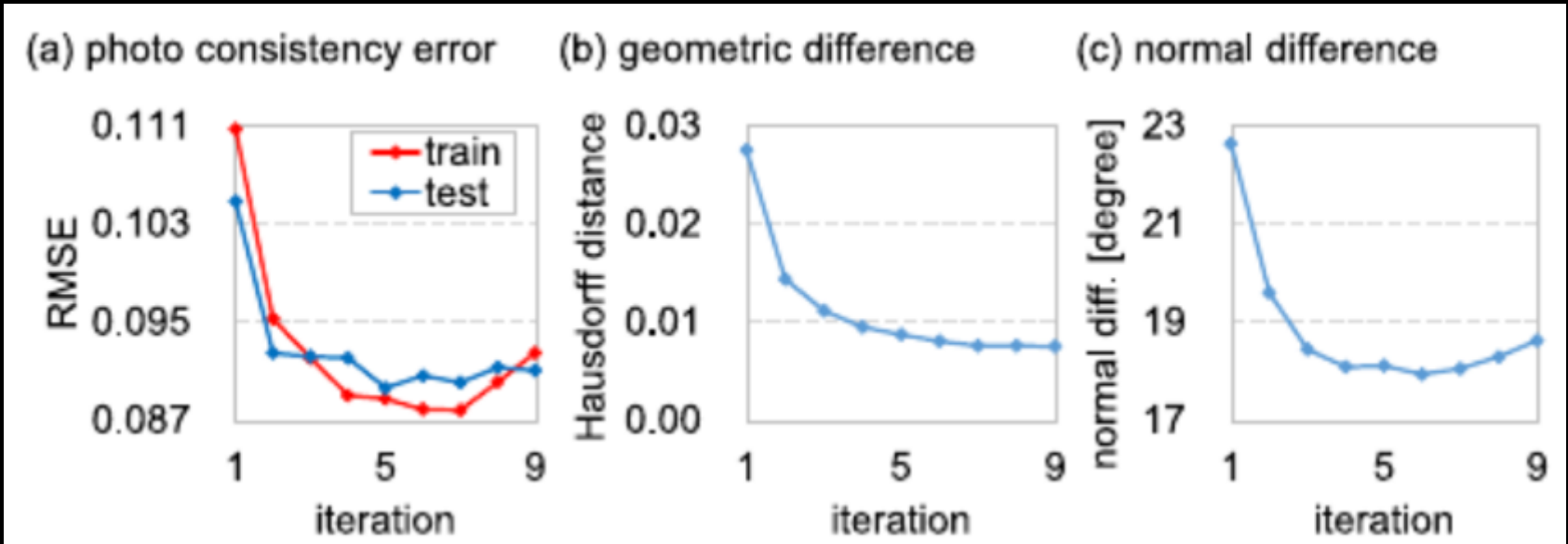
gradient of new geometry

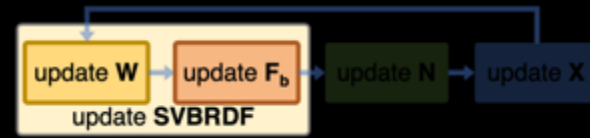
squared distance of current and new geometry



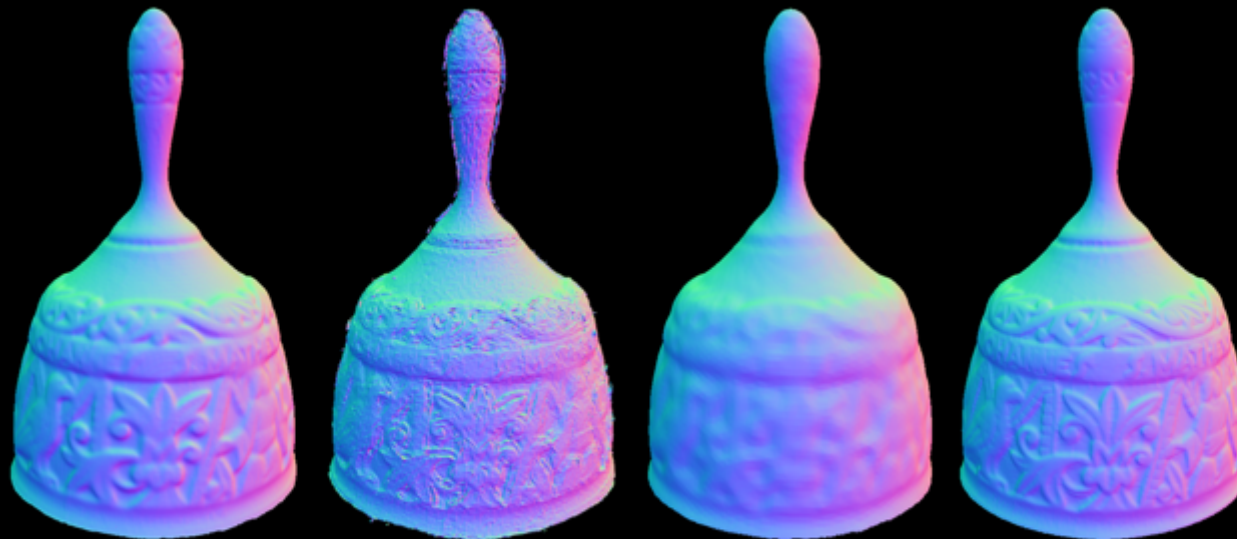
Iterative Optimization Result

Iterate the whole process until RMSE of the test set starts to increase





Evaluation: Geometry Refinement



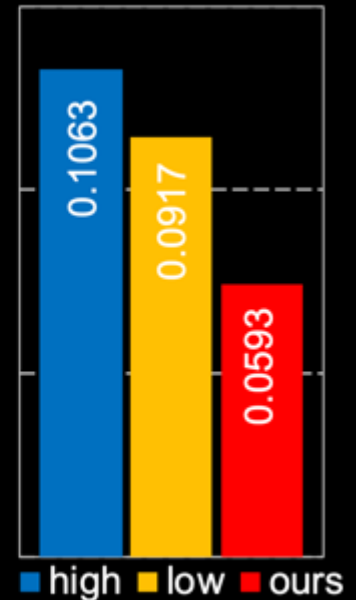
reference
(NextEngine)

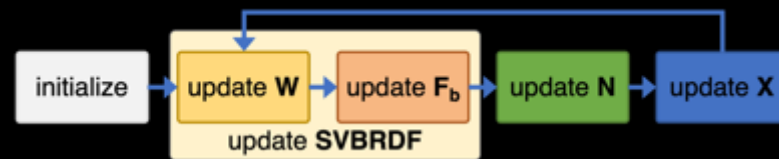
COLMAP
(high res.)

COLMAP
(low res.)

ours

avg. geo. diff. [mm]



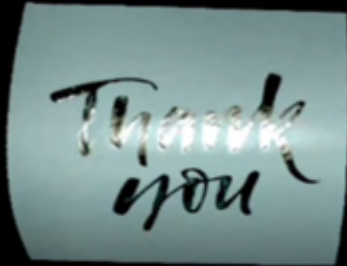


Personal Comments

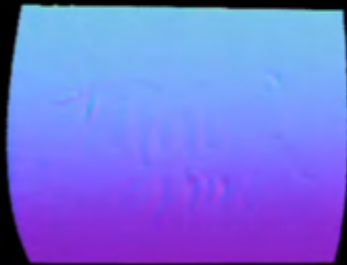
- Creative and novel idea to optimize the reconstruct of 3D geometry
- Get high-quality 3D geometry & SVBRDF simultaneously
- Capture images using just commercial cameras with flash lights
- Dark room is not a must
- No additional complex hardware, suitable for wider public
- Not real-time

Summary

- Comparable quality to commercial 3D desktop scanning systems
- Complex geometries cannot be reconstructed accurately from image-based 3D modeling, Pinecones, hair strands, etc.
- Missing specular highlights at mirror reflection angles
- Future works: material appearance, inter-reflections, subsurface scattering, transparency in light transport model



point-light rendering



geometry



Env. rendering