

Near-Light Photometric Stereo using Circularly Placed Point Light Sources

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Circularly placed light sources are common

Surveillance Cameras



Medical Imaging



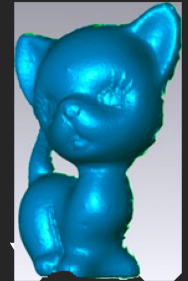
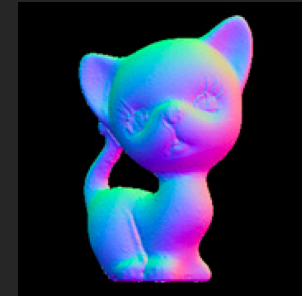
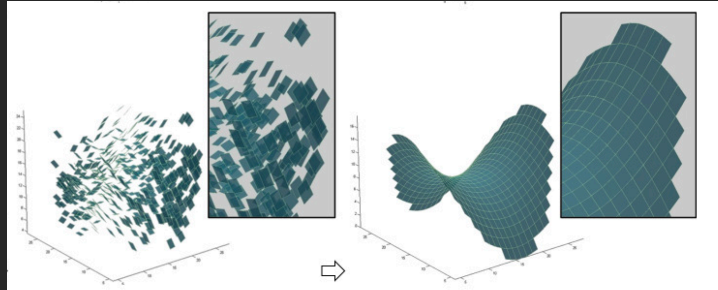
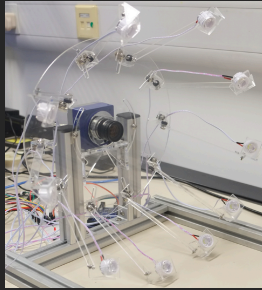
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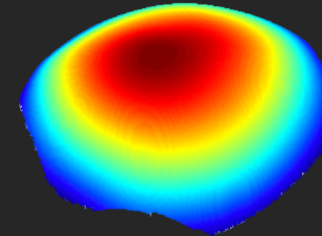
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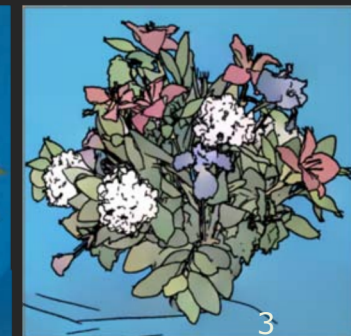
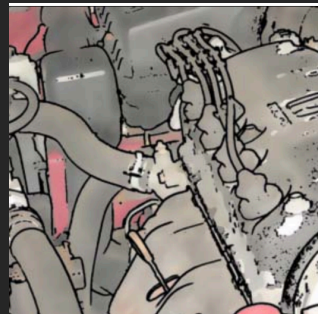
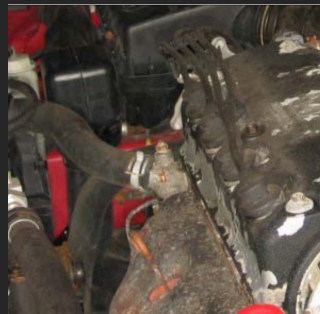
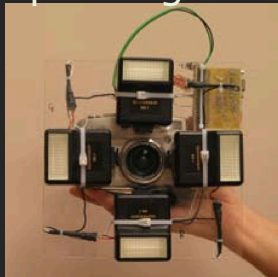
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[Chandraker 11]

Depth Edge Detection

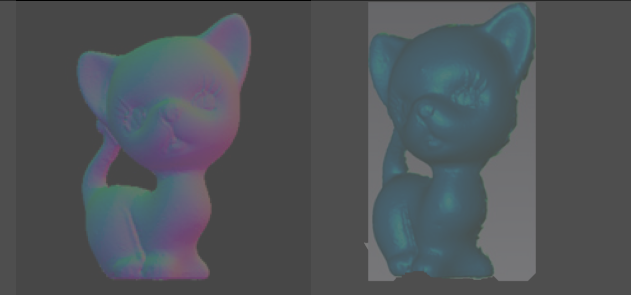


[Raskar et.al 04]

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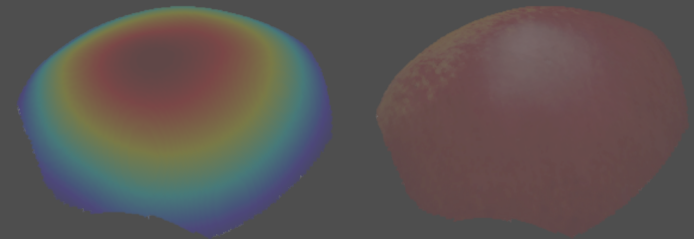
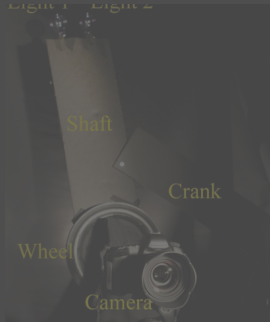
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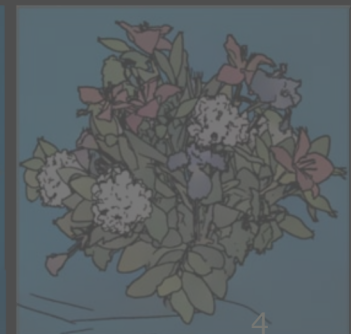
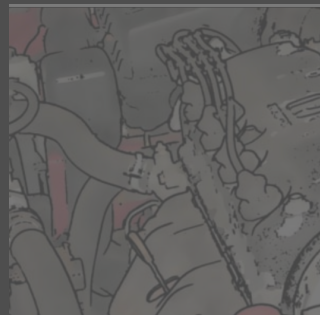
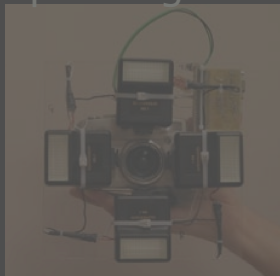
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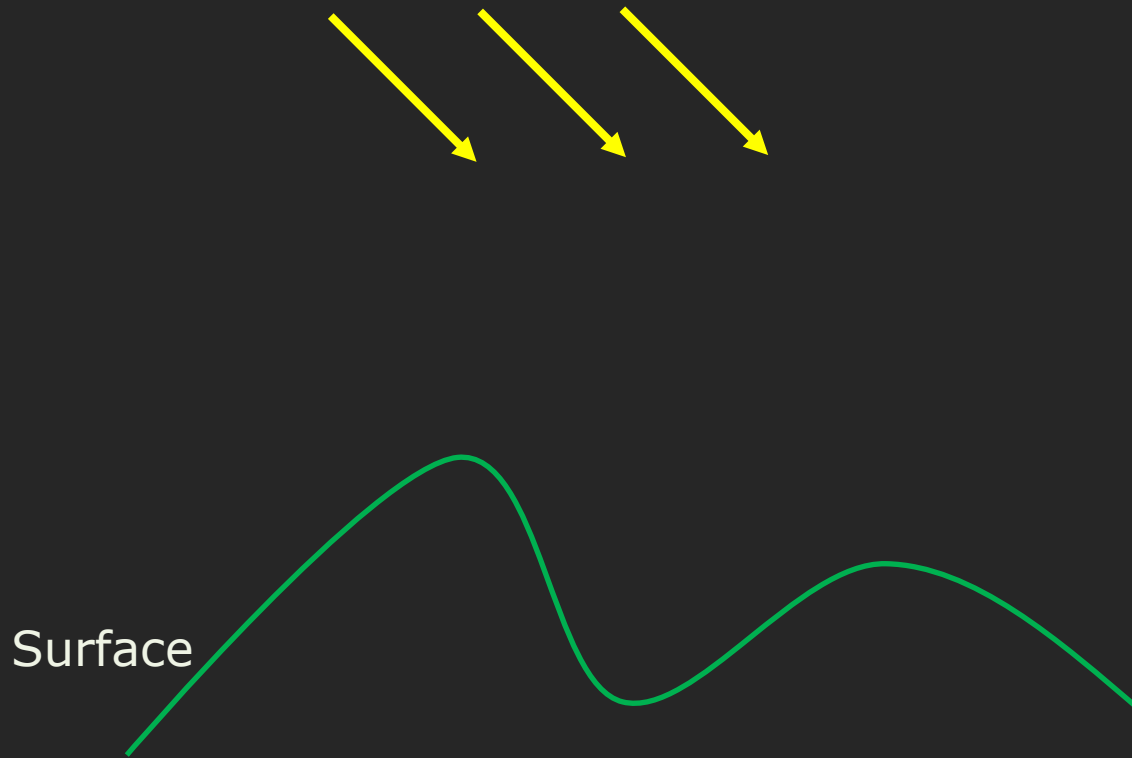


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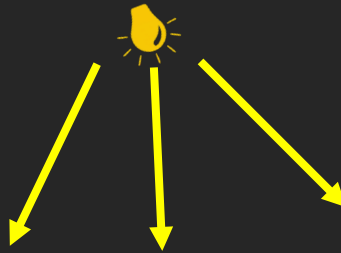
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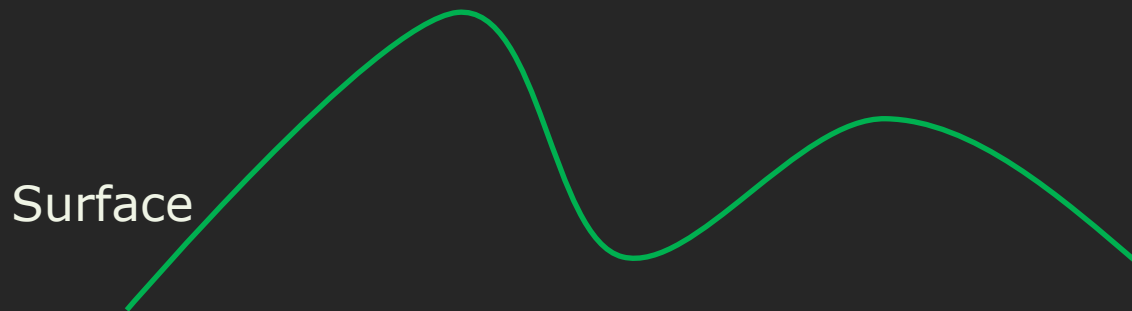
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Spatially variant light directions and intensities



Challenges

Near-light Photometric Stereo using circularly placed light sources:

Small light source baseline: subtle intensity changes

LED ring radius: 30mm; Object distance: 400mm



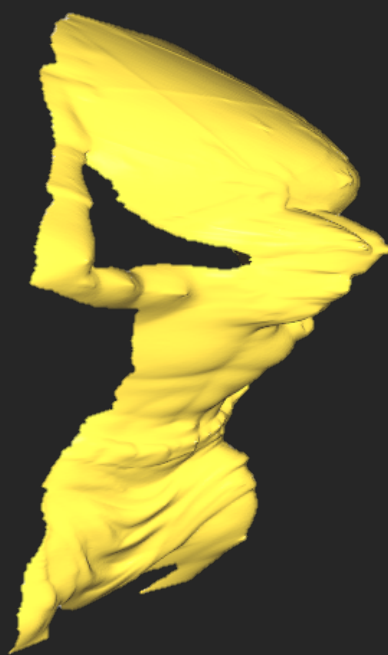
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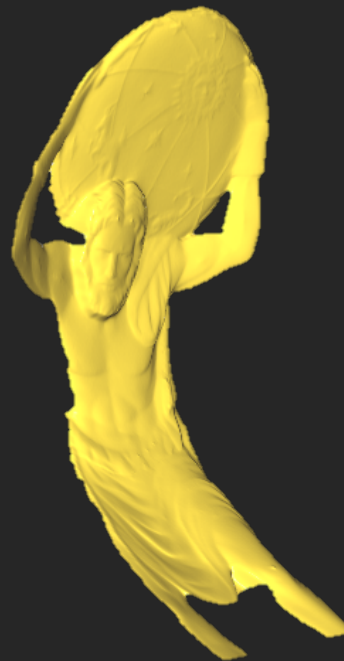
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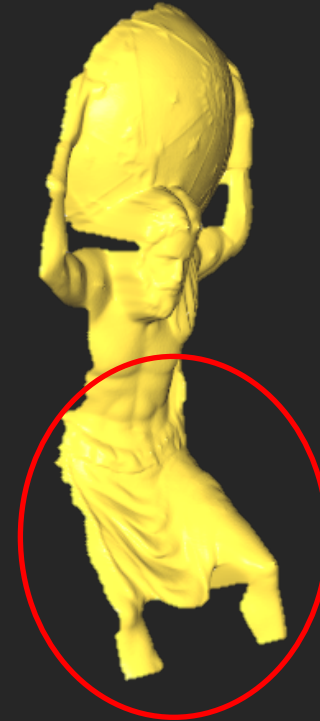
Profile of object



Distant Light



Near Light
[Queau et.al 17]
Depth initialized
at 200 mm



Near Light
[Queau et.al 17]
Depth initialized
at 400 mm

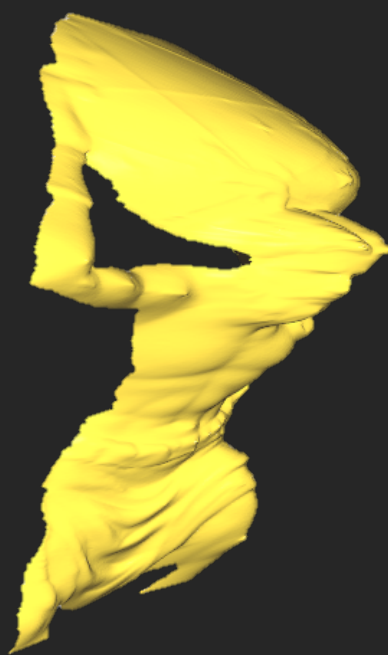
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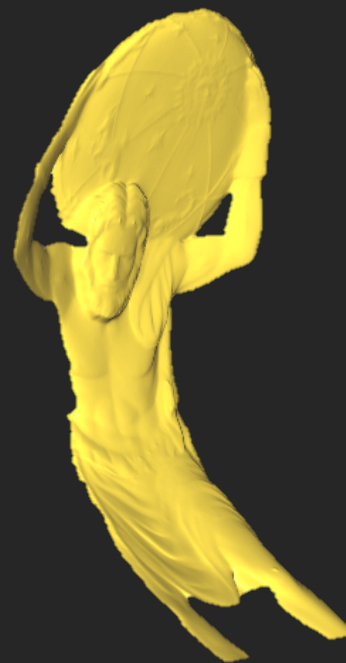
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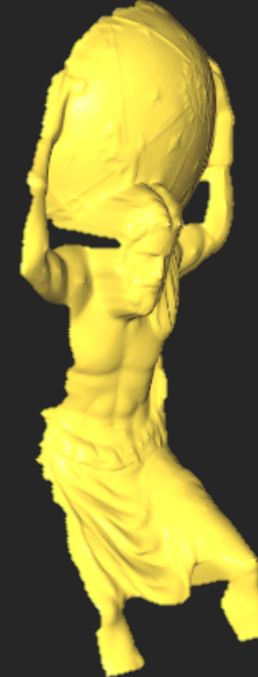
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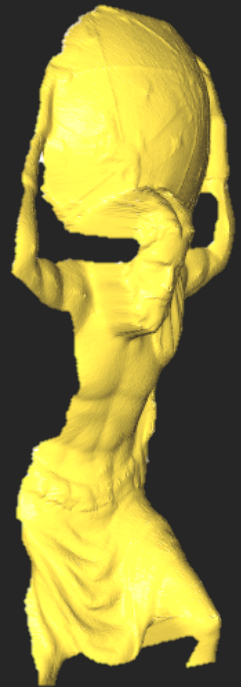
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Proposed
Method

Photometric Stereo with Distant Light



Photometric Stereo with Distant Light



Image intensity

Light direction

$$I = \rho(p) \mathbf{l}^T \mathbf{n}(p)$$

Photometric Stereo with Distant Light



Image intensity

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Surface normal

Photometric Stereo with Distant Light



Image intensity

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Photometric Stereo with Near Light

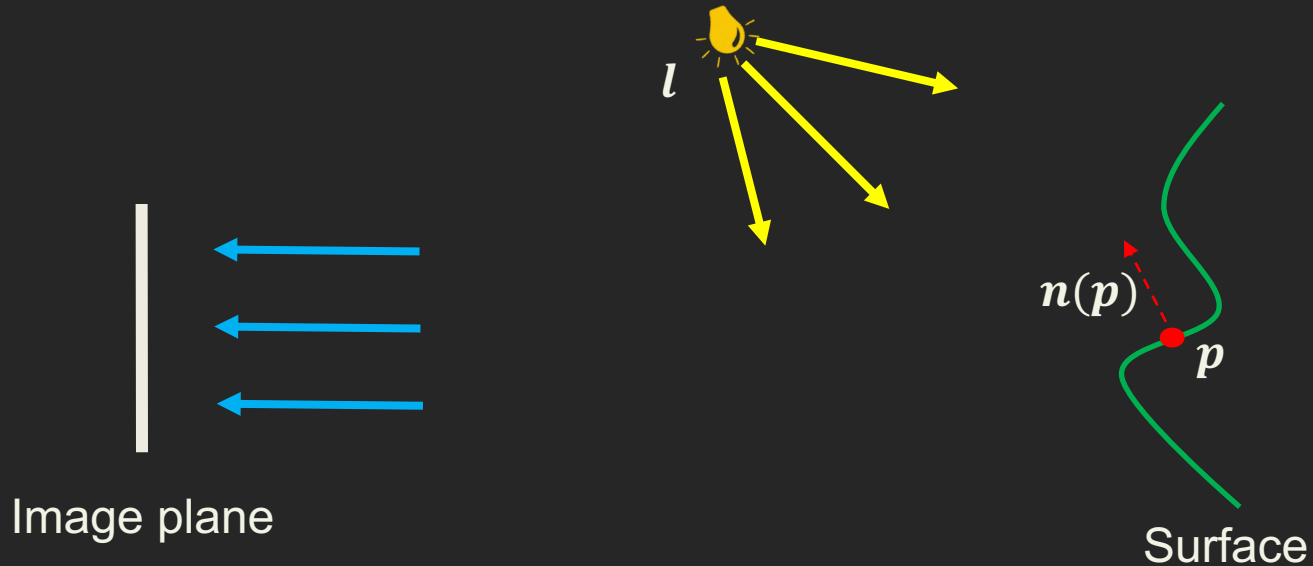


Image intensity

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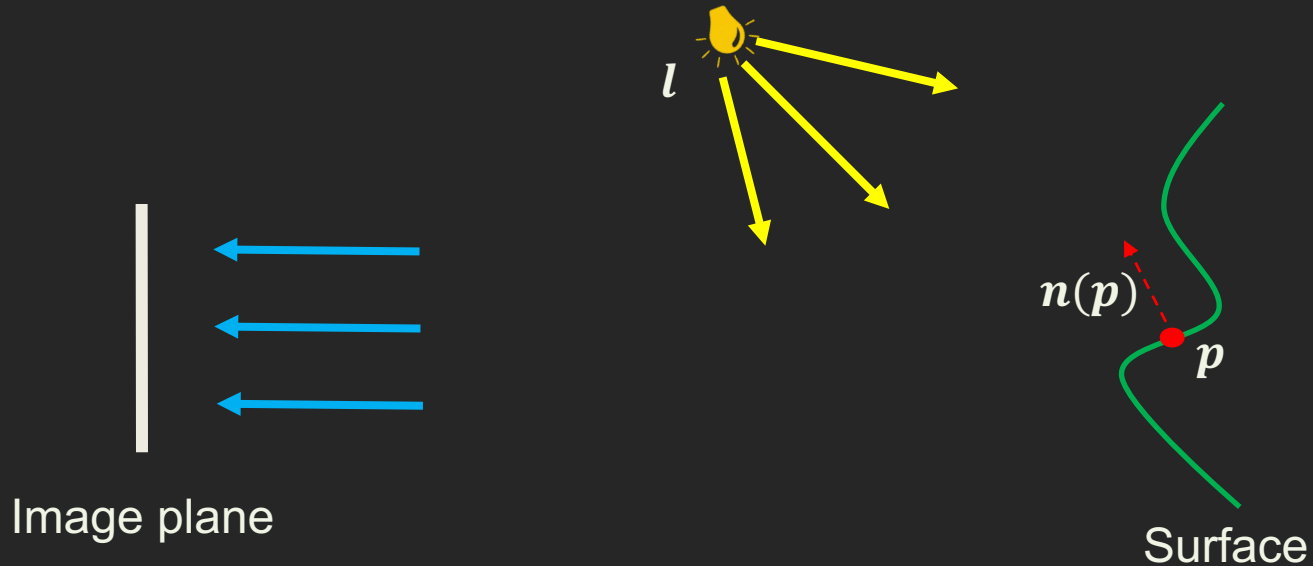


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Intensity fall off

Photometric Stereo with Near Light

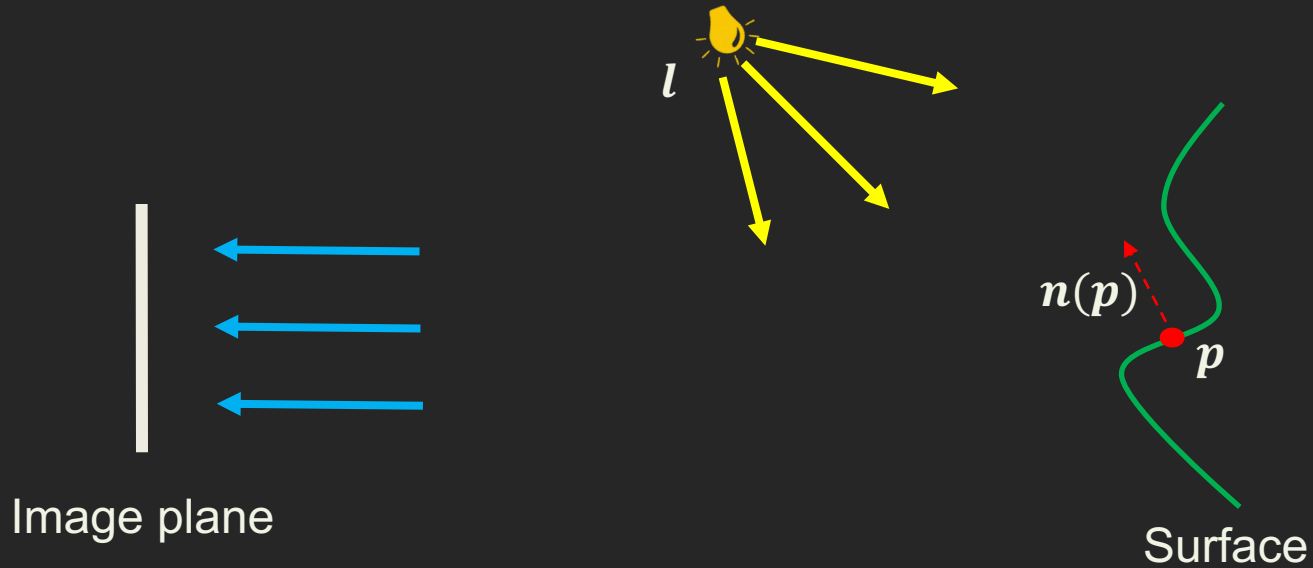


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Light direction

Photometric Stereo with Near Light

Projective camera model

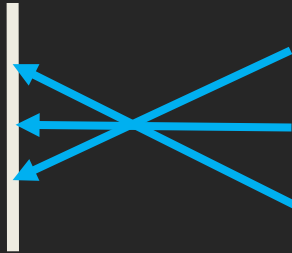


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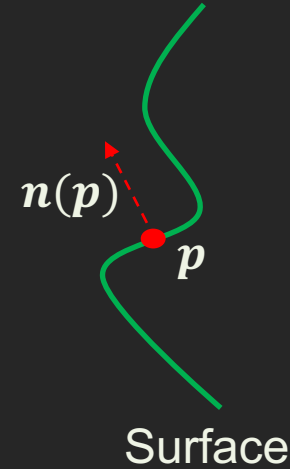
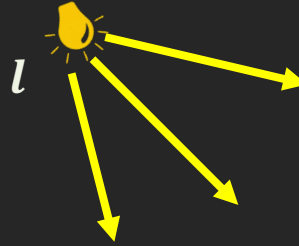


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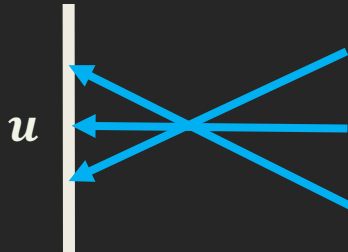


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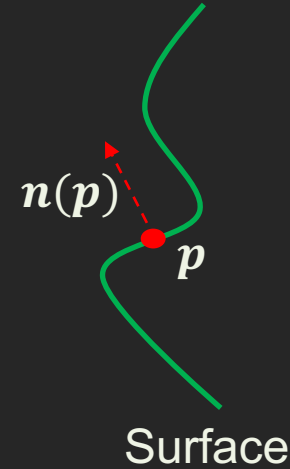
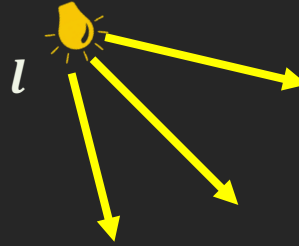


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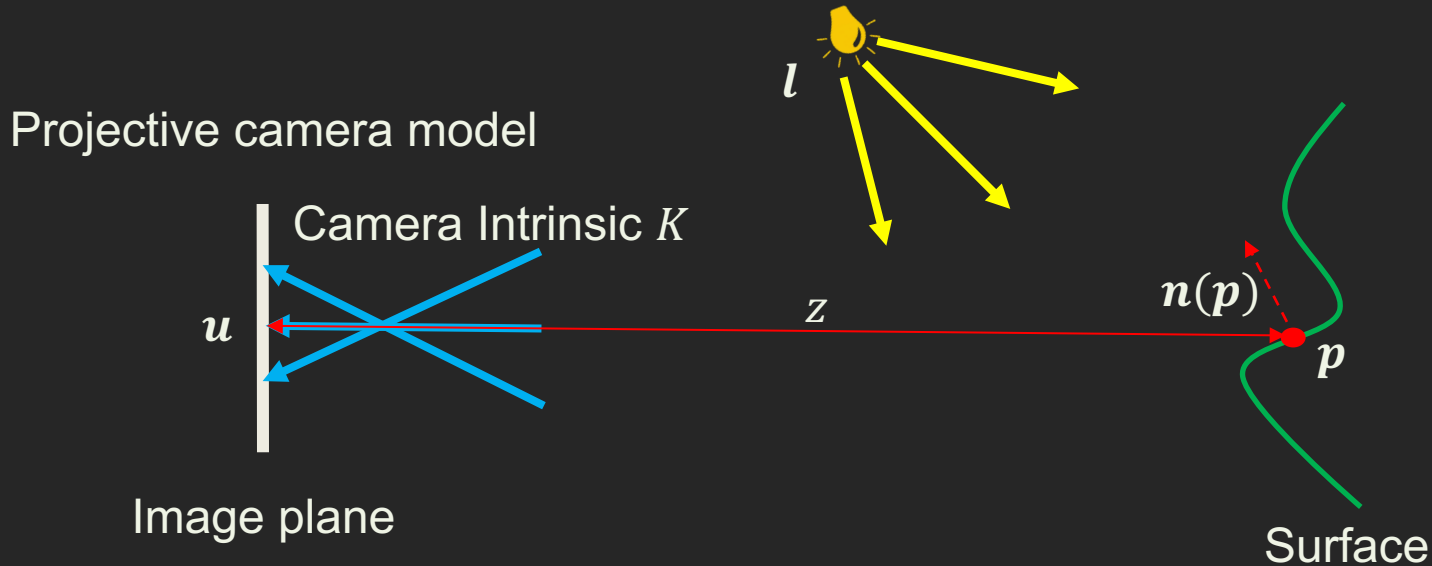


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Back-projection:

$$p(z) = K^{-1}uz$$

Photometric Stereo with Near Light

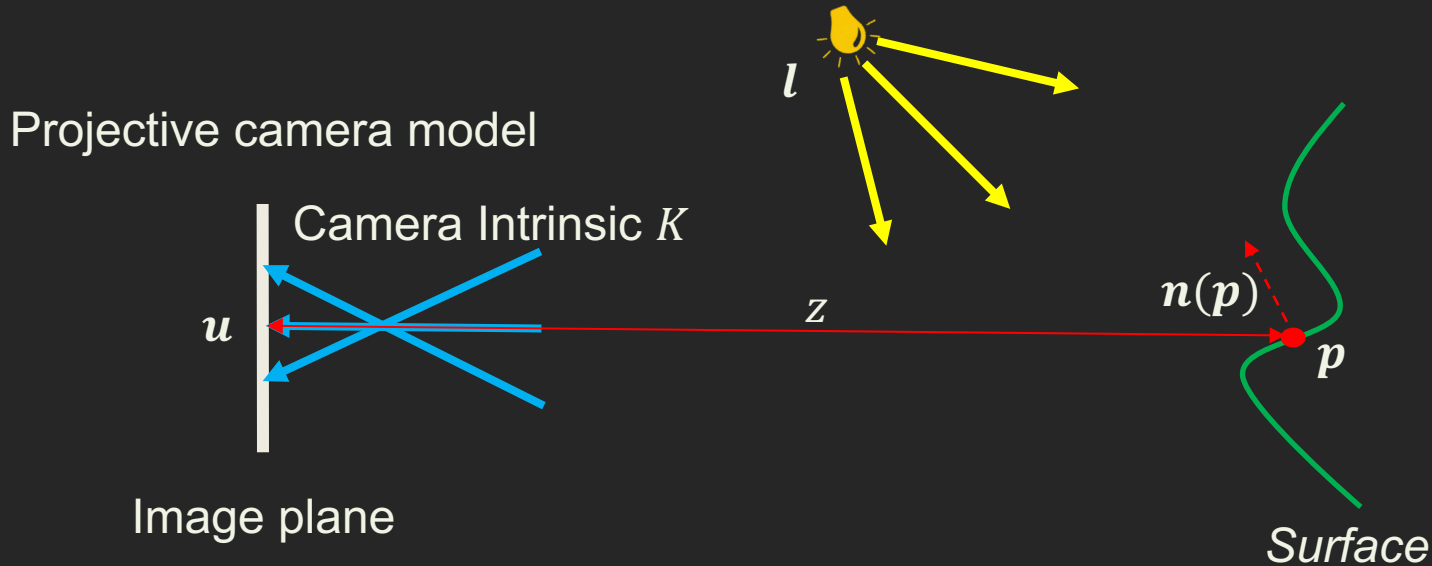


Image formation model

$$I(\mathbf{u}) = \rho(\mathbf{u}) \frac{(\mathbf{l} - K^{-1}\mathbf{u}z)^T}{|\mathbf{l} - K^{-1}\mathbf{u}z|^3} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{u})$$

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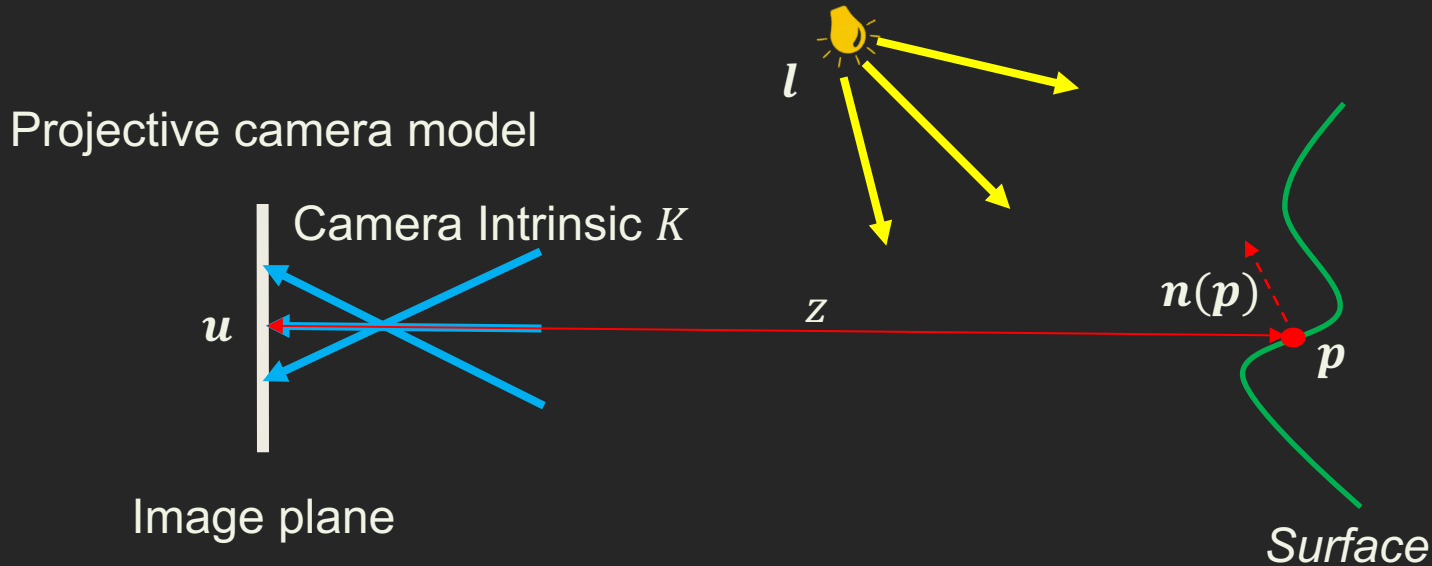


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Albedo Light Position Depth

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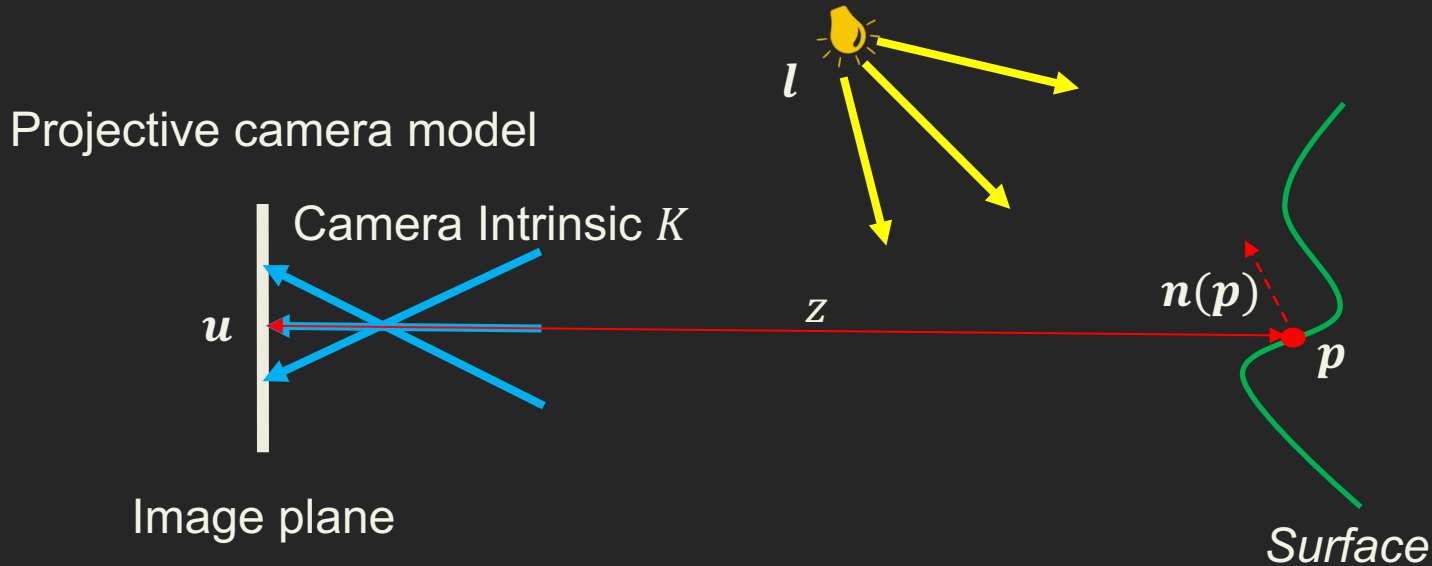


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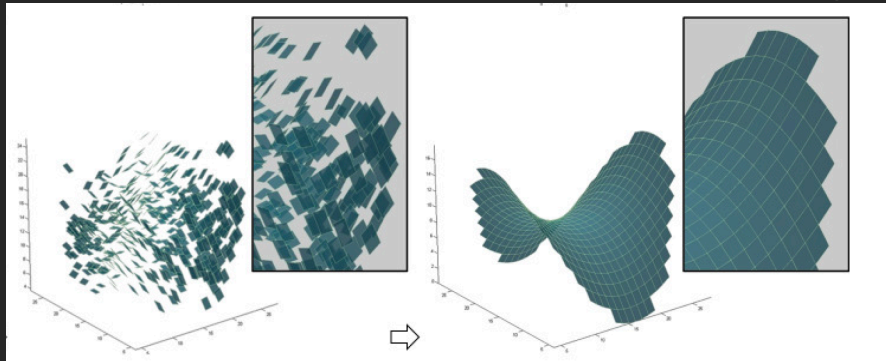
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Related Works on Near Light PS

Solve for n and z separately

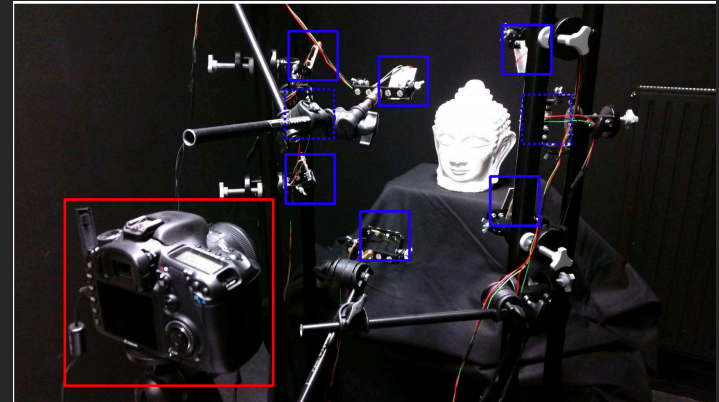
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Global blending

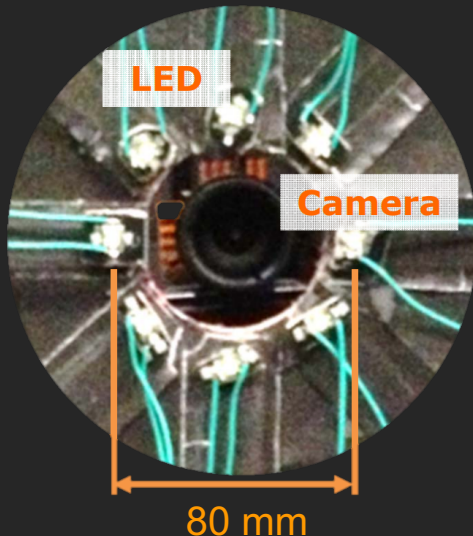


[Xie et.al 15]

Solve for z directly



[Queau et.al 16, 17]



[Wang et.al 15]

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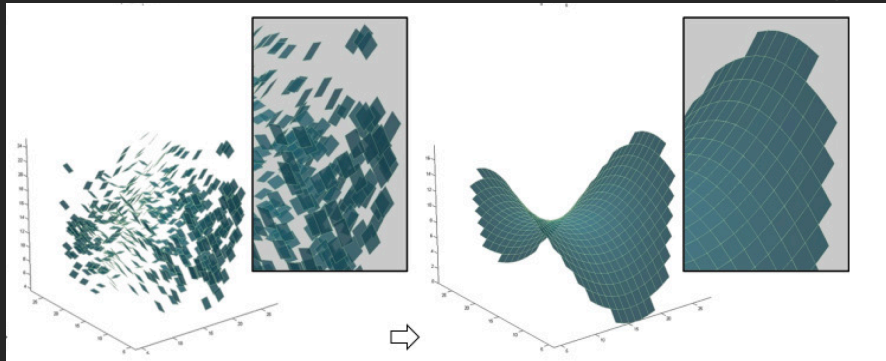
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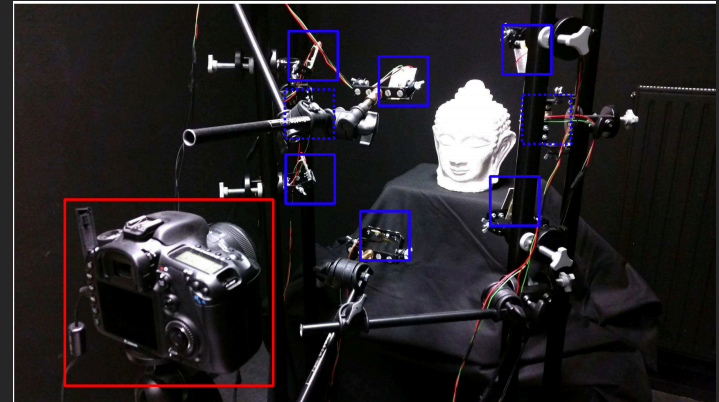
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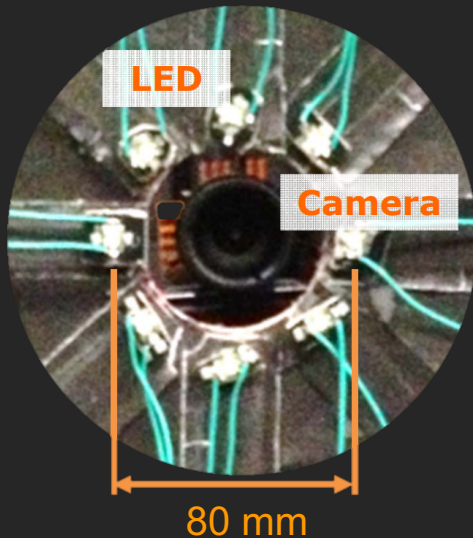


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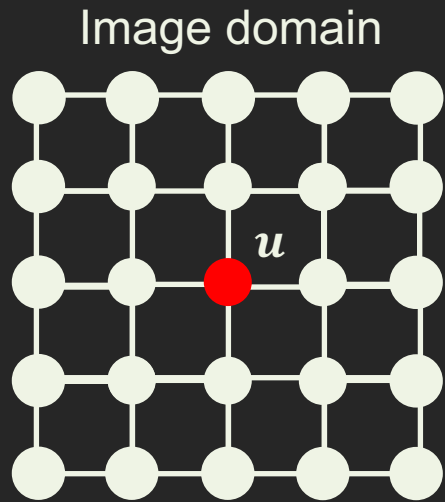


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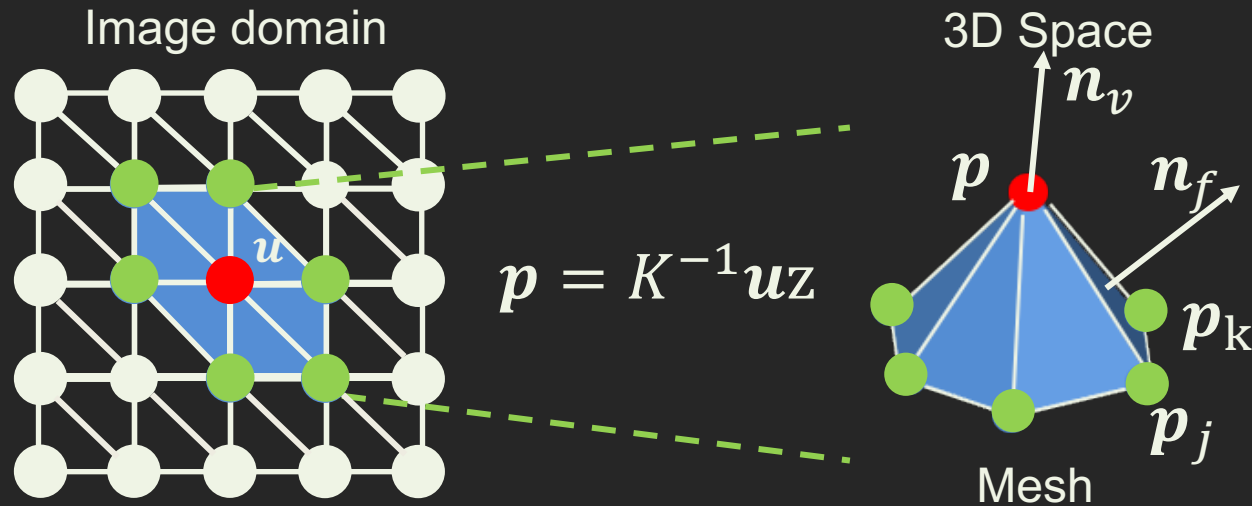
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Represent Normal in terms of Depth



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Surface normal as function of depths

$$\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{n}_v(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_k, \mathbf{p}_i \in N_1(\mathbf{p})} w_f \mathbf{n}_f(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_k, \mathbf{p}_j)$$

Vertex position as back-projecting

$$\mathbf{p} = K^{-1}uz$$

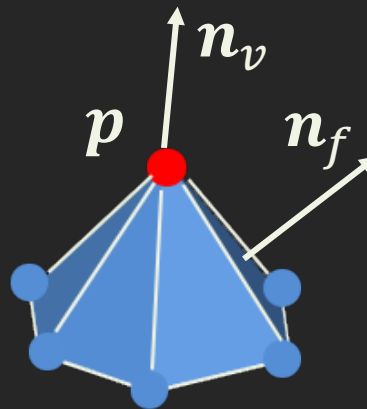
Problem Formation

Given the captured images $\hat{I}$, estimate depth and albedo:

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}, \rho} \underbrace{\left| \hat{I}(\mathbf{u}) - I(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{n}, z, \rho) \right|^2}_{\text{Photometric difference}} + \underbrace{R_s(z)}_{\text{Regularization for depth}}$$

with

$$I(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{n}, z, \rho) = \rho(\mathbf{u}) \frac{(\mathbf{l} - K^{-1}\mathbf{u}z)^T}{|\mathbf{l} - K^{-1}\mathbf{u}z|^3} \mathbf{n}_v(\mathbf{u}, z)$$



Sensitive to Initial Guess

Reconstructed object is place at depth about 200 *mm*. LED ring radius is 30 mm

Two of 24 captured images



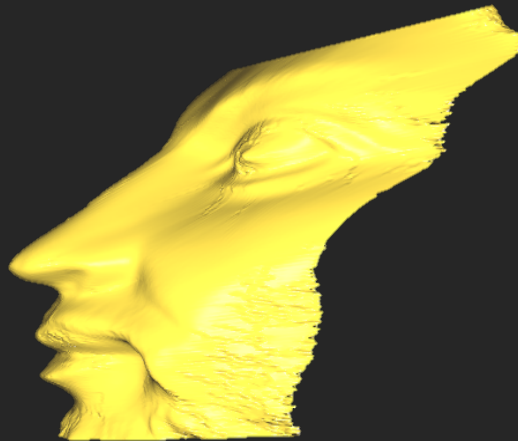
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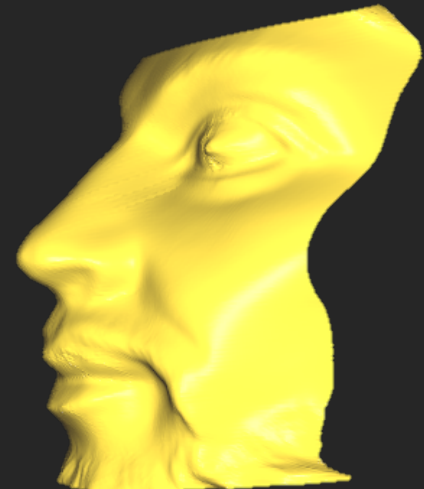
z_{opt}



$z_{init}=100\text{ mm}$

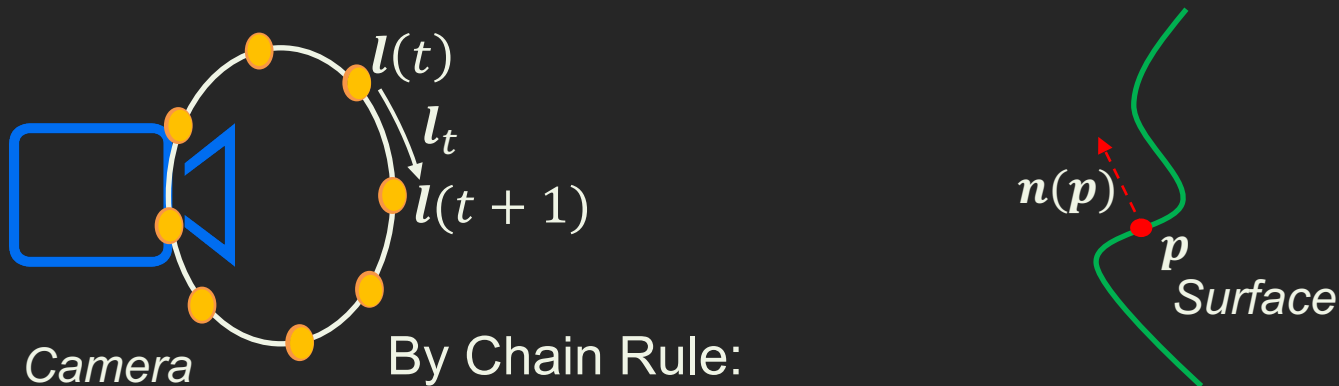


$z_{init}=400\text{ mm}$



$z_{init}=250\text{ mm}$

Modelling Differential Image



Direction Change Distance Change

$$I_t = \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial l} l_t = I \frac{n^T l_t}{n^T (l-p)} - 3I \frac{(l-p)^T l_t}{|l-p|^2}$$

$$l^T l_t \approx 0 \text{ for light on a circle} \quad \approx I \frac{n^T l_t}{n^T (l-p)} + 3I \frac{p^T l_t}{|l-p|^2}$$

$$p^T l_t \text{ is small and attenuated by inverse squared distance} \quad \approx I \frac{n^T l_t}{n^T (l-p)}$$

Initialize using Differential Image

Using Differential Images to initialize

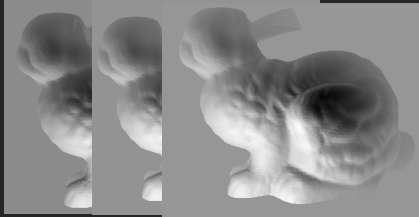
$$\min_z \left| \hat{l}_t \mathbf{n}^T(\mathbf{z})(\mathbf{l} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{z})) - \hat{l} \mathbf{n}^T(\mathbf{z}) \mathbf{l}_t \right|^2 + R_s(\mathbf{z})$$

By using Differential Images to initialize depths

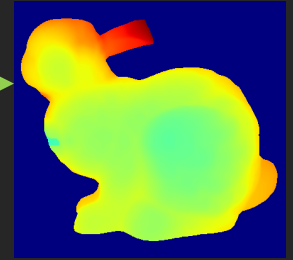
1. Free from albedo estimation
2. Free from inverse square attenuation term

Two Stage Near-light Photometric Stereo

Differential Images



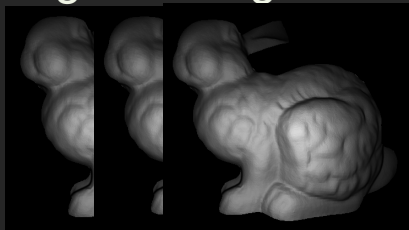
Initial Depth Map



Use Differential Images to initialize

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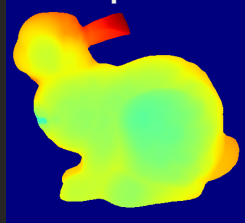
Original Images



3D shape



Initial Depth Map

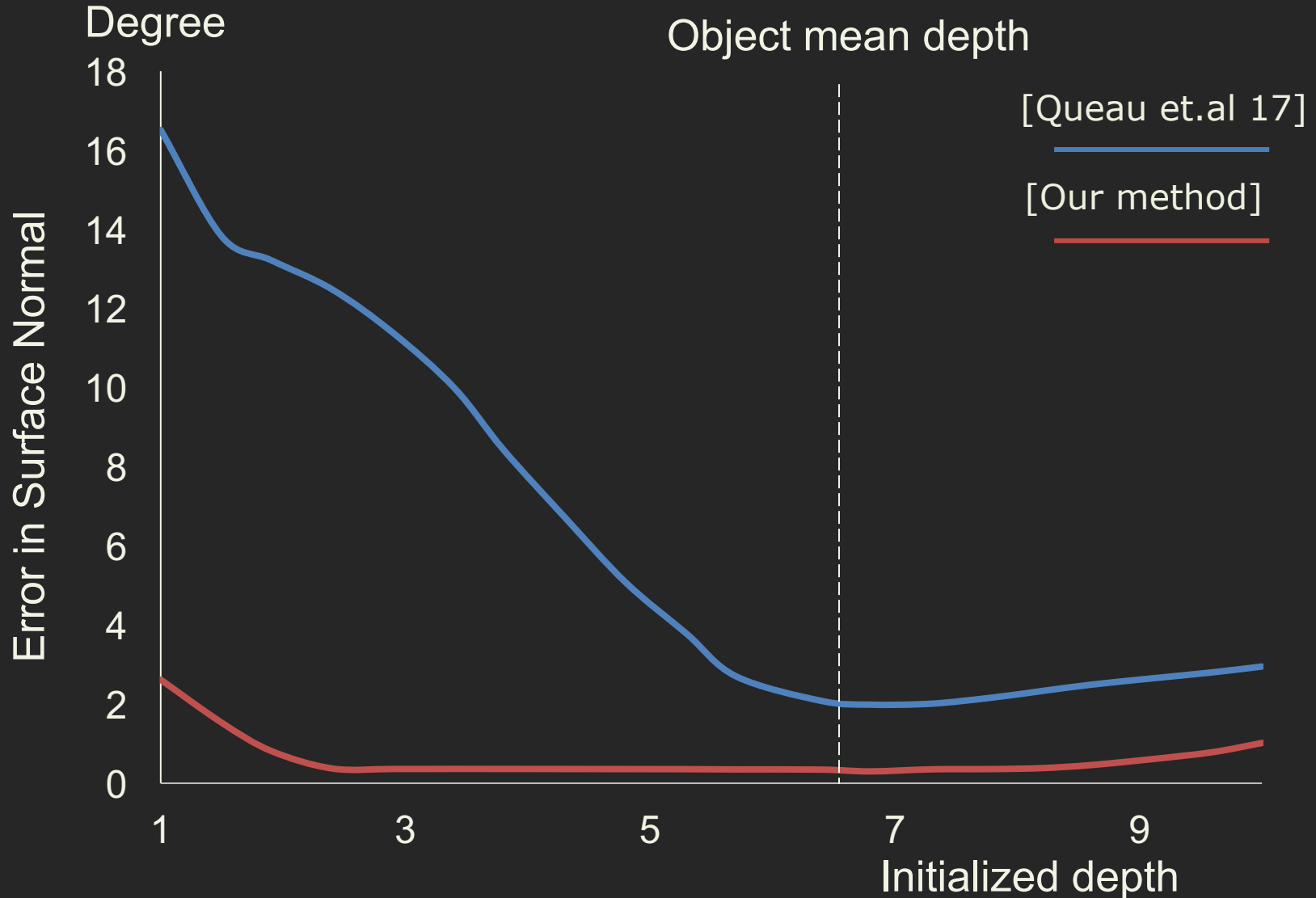


Use Original Images directly to refine

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}, \rho} \left| \hat{l}_m - \rho(\mathbf{u}) \frac{(\mathbf{l}_m - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{z}))^T}{|\mathbf{l}_m - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{z})|^3} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{z}) \right|^2 + R_s(\mathbf{z})$$

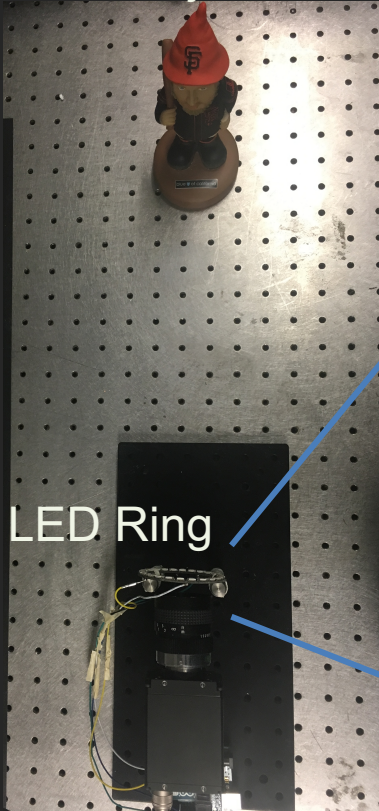
Simulation: Different Initials

Performance vs. Initial Depth

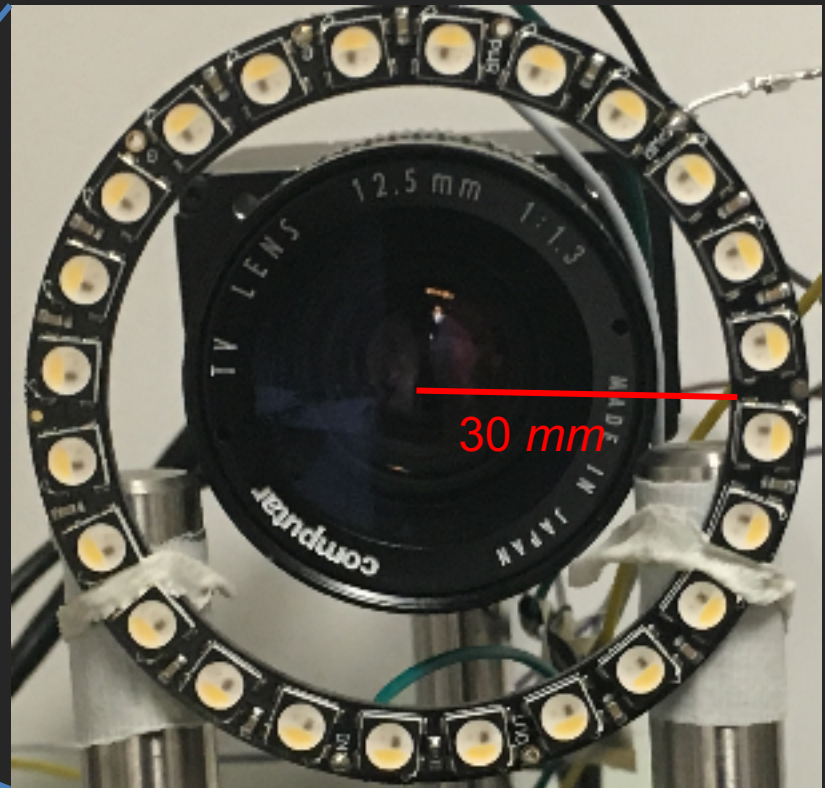


Experiment Setup

Object



Camera

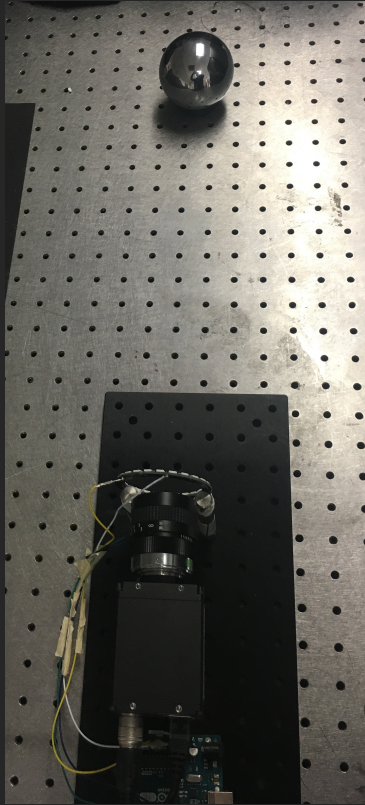


24 LEDs

Light Source Position Calibration

Accurate light source positions are needed.

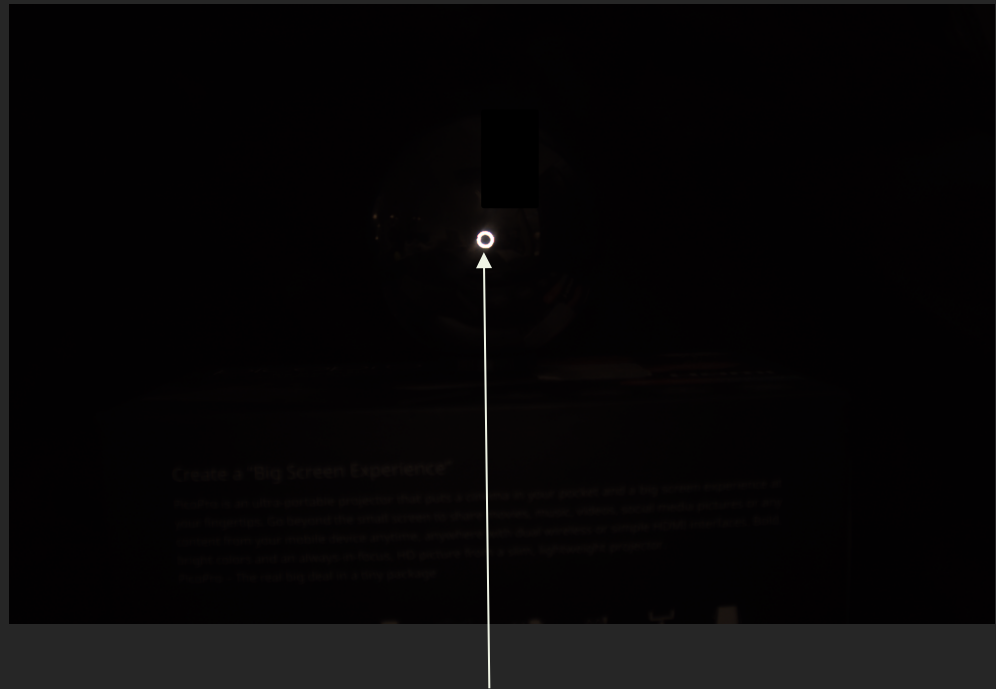
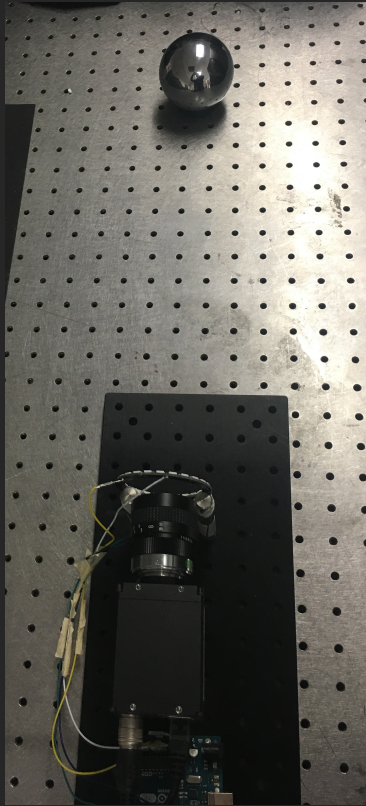
Chrome Sphere



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Reflection of light sources

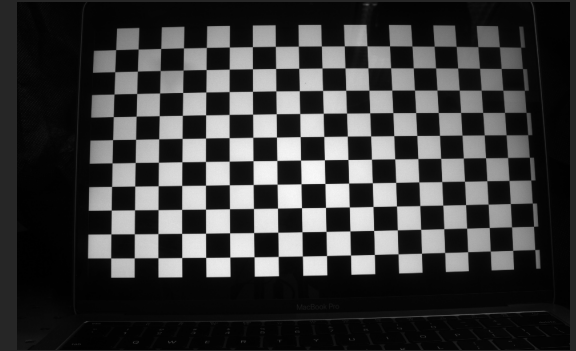
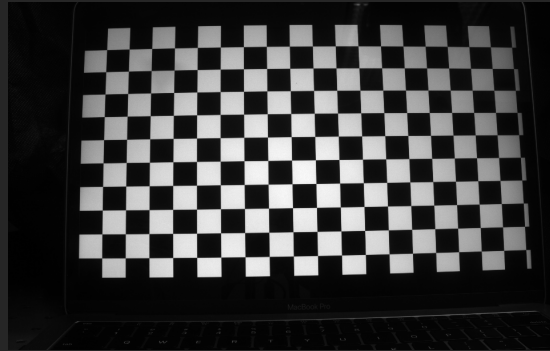
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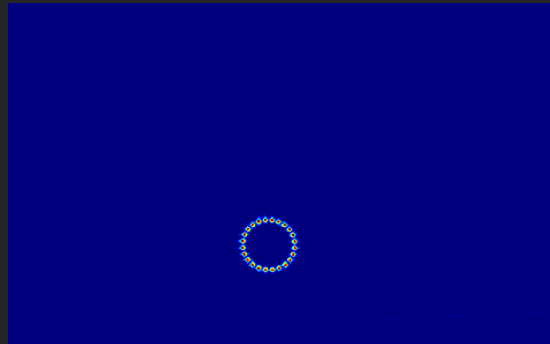
Specular Display



Displayed Checkerboard



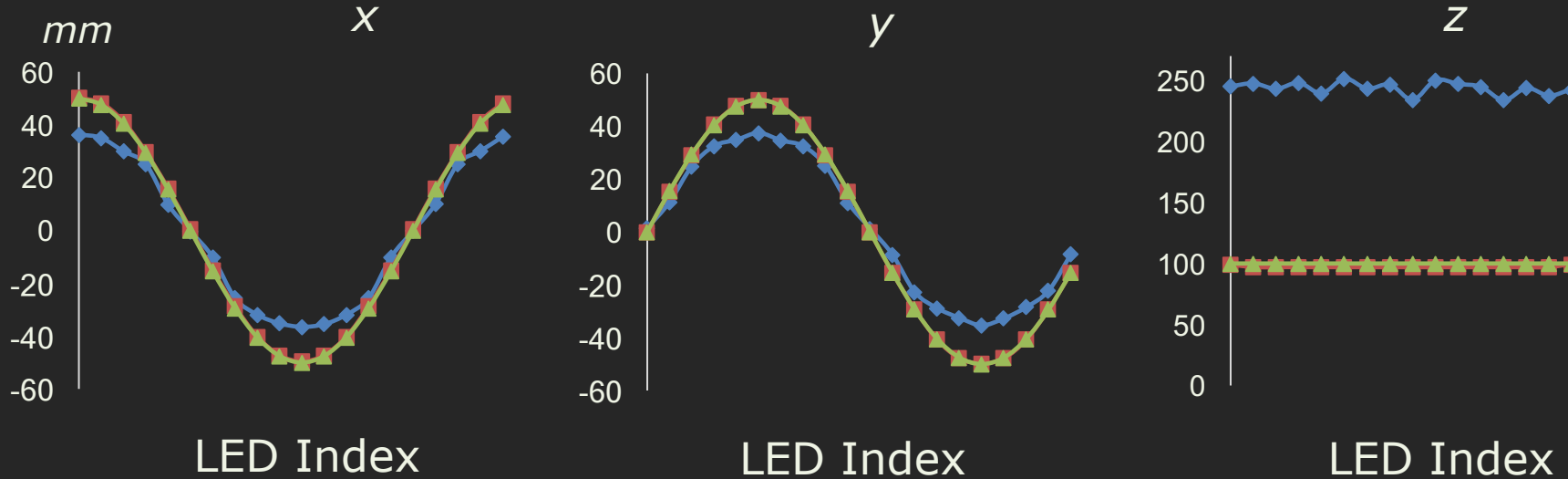
Reflected Light (color encoded)



The light positions are estimated by triangulate the reflected rays

Simulation Results on Light Calibration

Comparison with method using chrome sphere



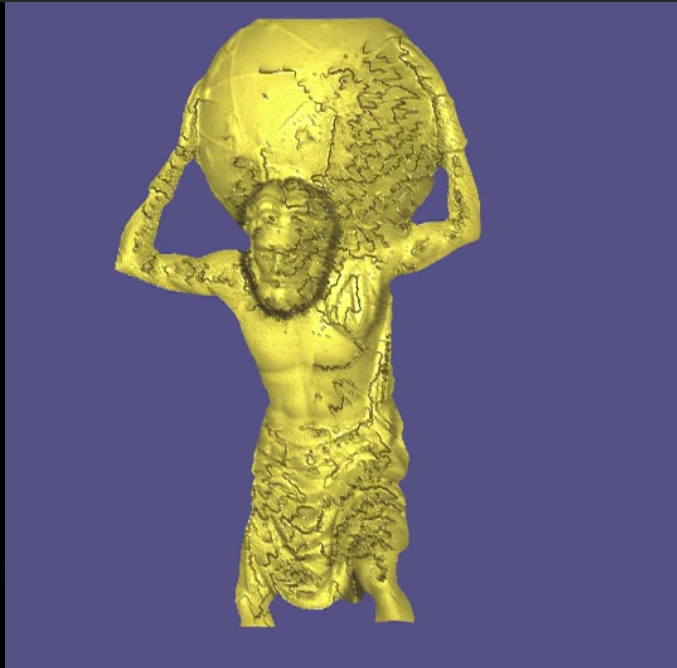
- ▲— Ours
- ◆— Using Chrome Sphere
- Ground Truth

Real Experiment Results

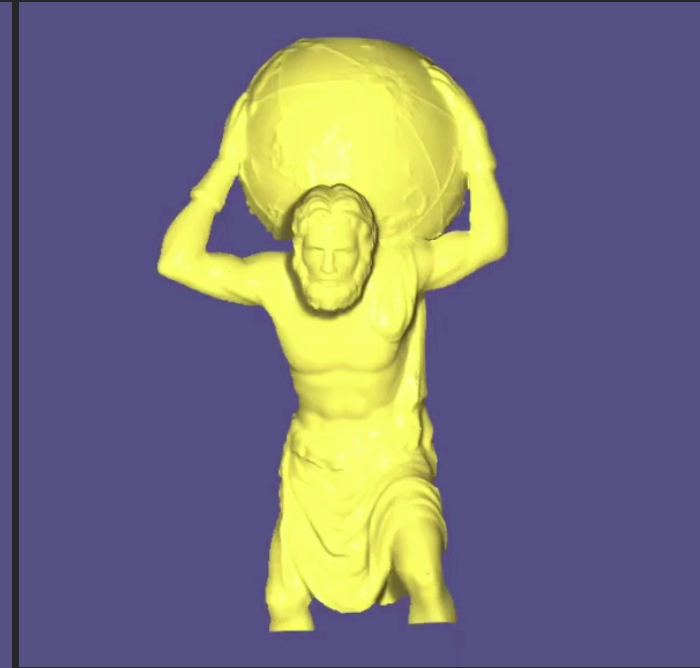
Input images



Initial Depth using
Differential Images



Refined using
Original Images

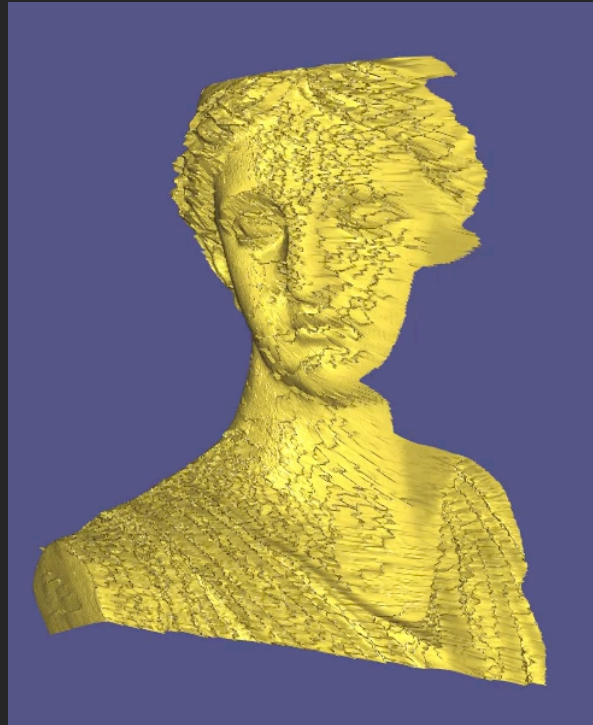


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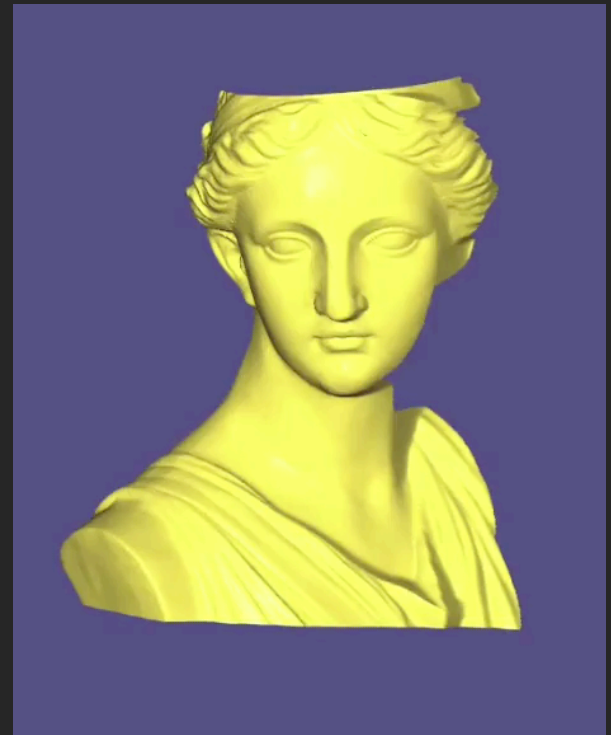
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Initial Depth using
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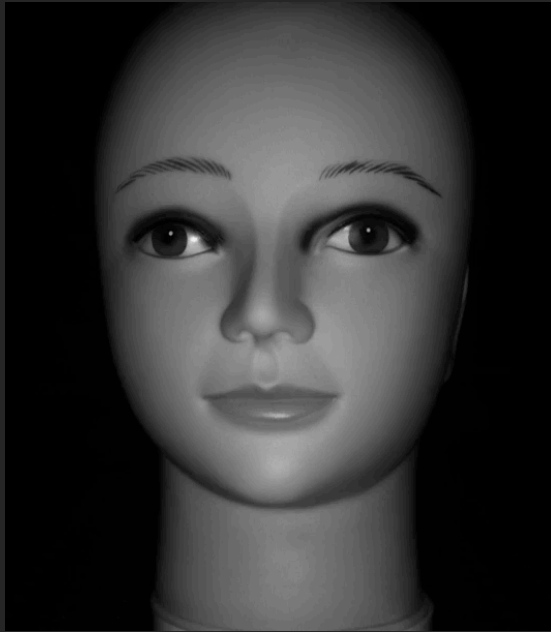


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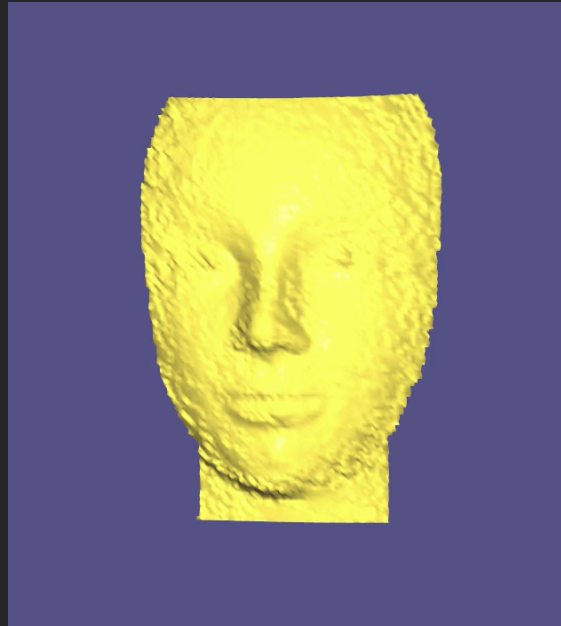


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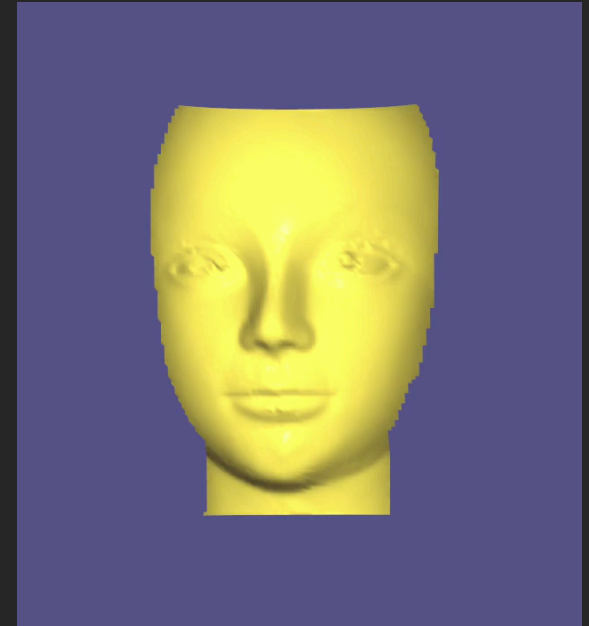
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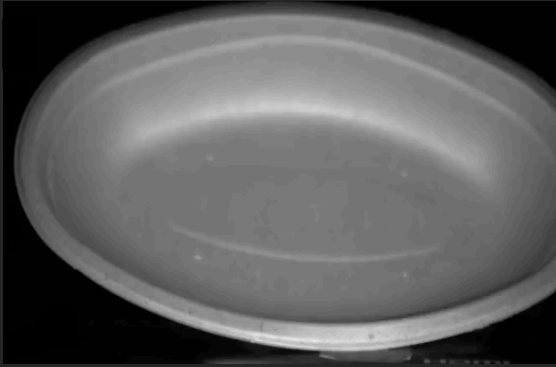


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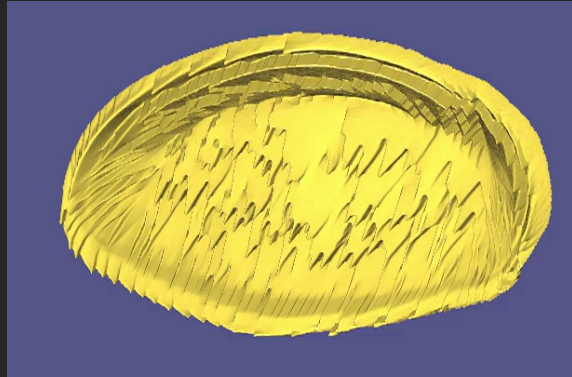


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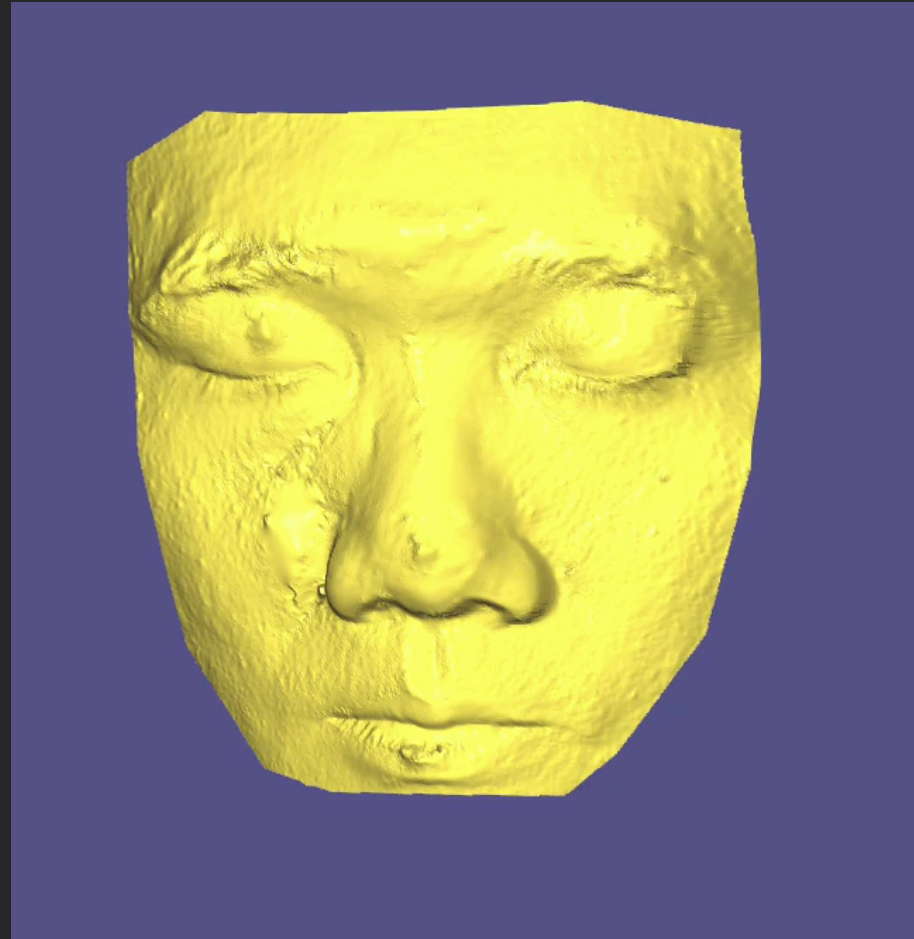


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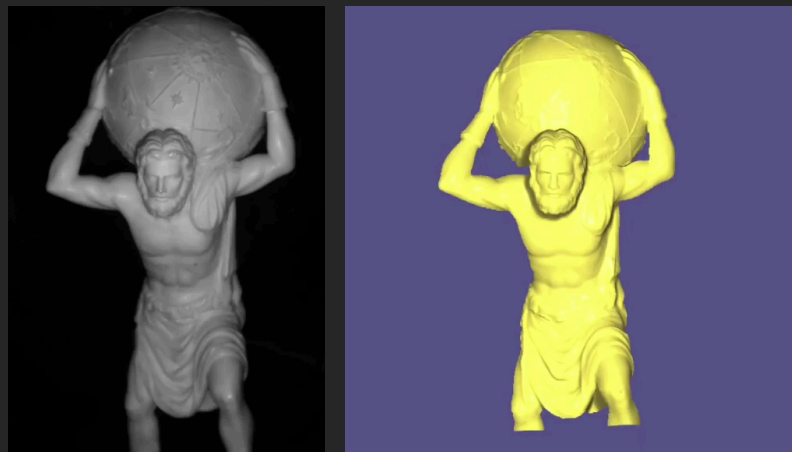


Reconstruction



Conclusion

- Near-Light Photometric Stereo algorithm for circularly placed light sources with small baselines:
 - Use mesh representation to relate surface normal and depth
 - More trackable than the variational definition for surface normal
 - Two-stage photometric stereo algorithm
 - Use differential image for depth initialization
 - Refine the depths using the original images



Future Work

- Photometric Stereo for materials with subsurface scattering effects (e.g. human skin under NIR light)
- Take into account surface BRDF
- BRDF invariant shape analysis using differential image with near-field light and small light source baseline limitationf