

# Large Scale Neural 3D Scene Reconstruction, Rendering, and Beyond

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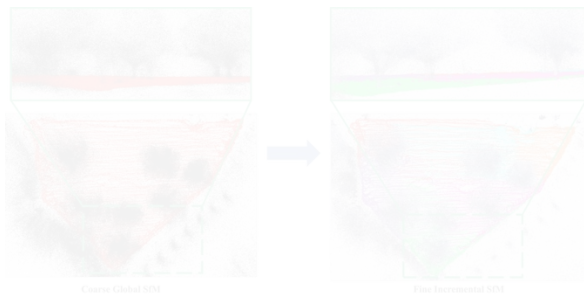
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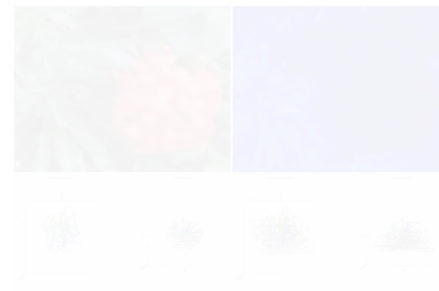
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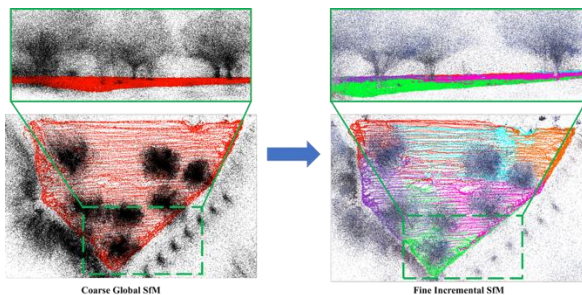


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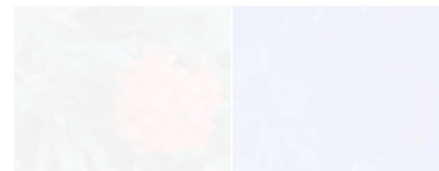
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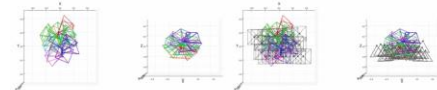
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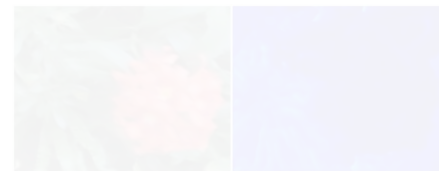


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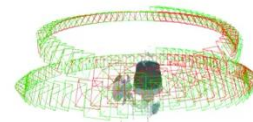
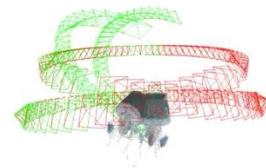
Geometric Understanding  
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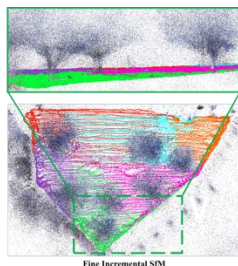
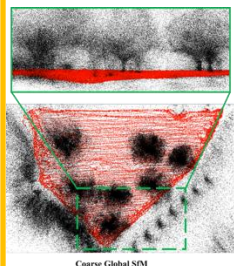
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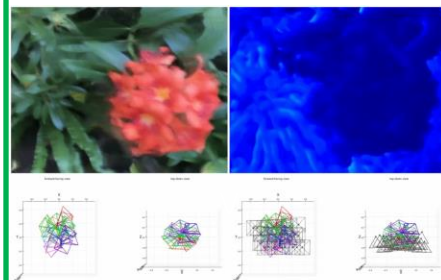
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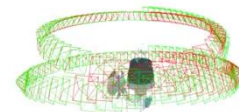


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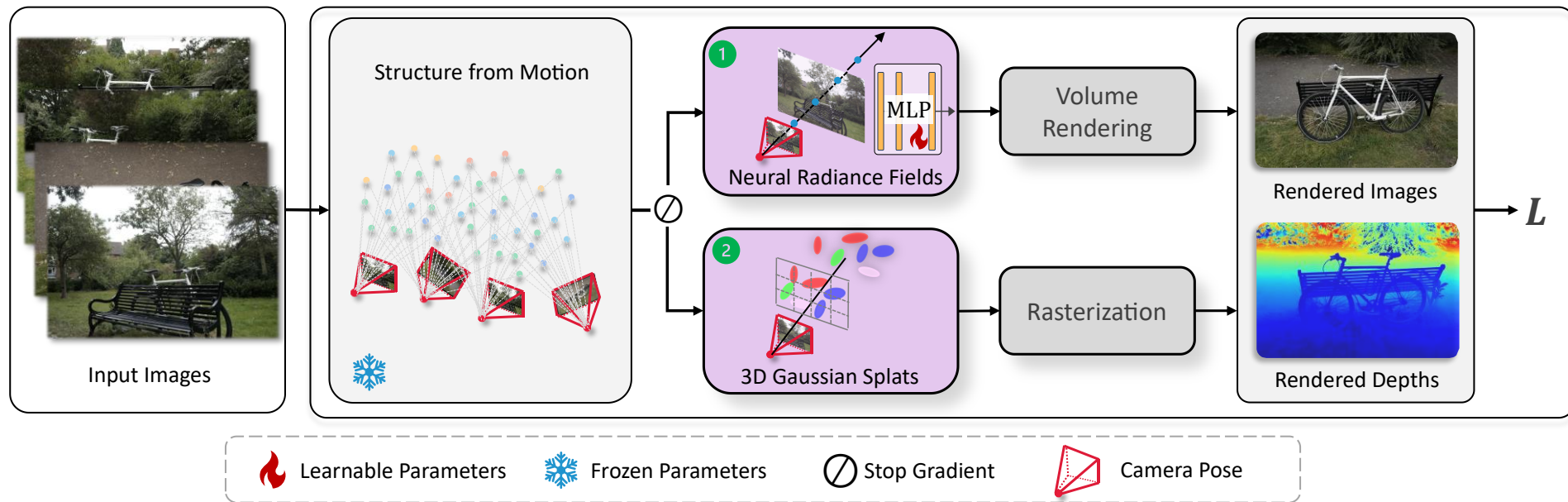


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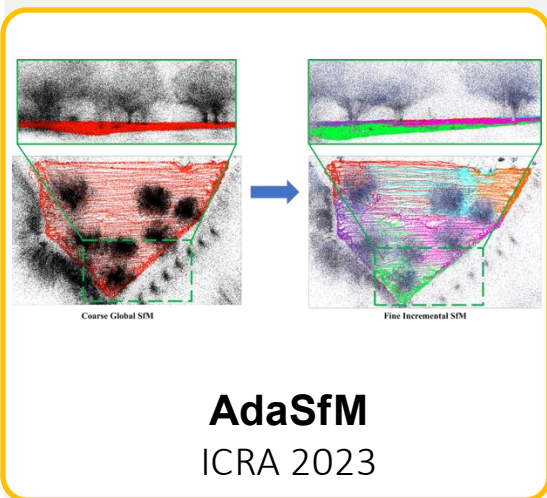
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# The Modern Neural 3D Reconstruction System

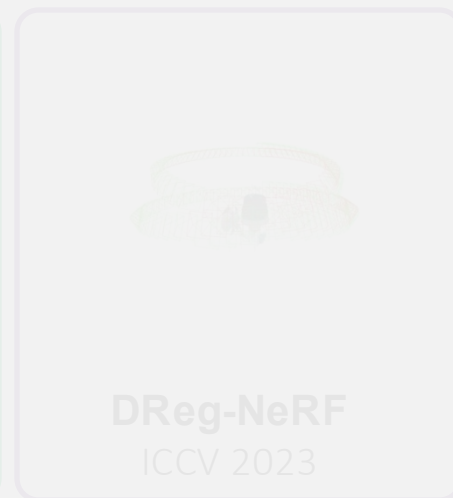
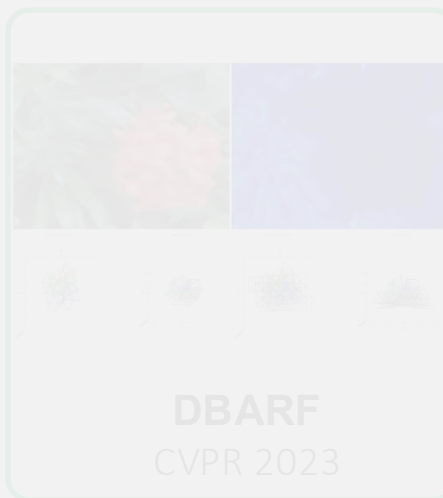


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# Key Challenges

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# Seminal Papers of SfM



## Photo Tourism

Exploring photo collections in 3D

Microsoft



(a)



(b)



(c)

Photo Tourism



COLMAP

- Noah Snavely, Steven M. Seitz, Richard Szeliski, **Photo tourism: Exploring photo collections in 3D**. TOG 2006
- Johannes L. Schonberger, Jan-Michael Frahm. **Structure from Motion Revisited**. CVPR 2016

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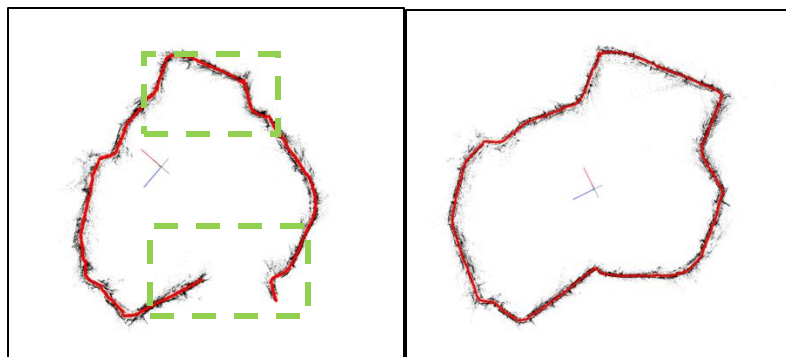
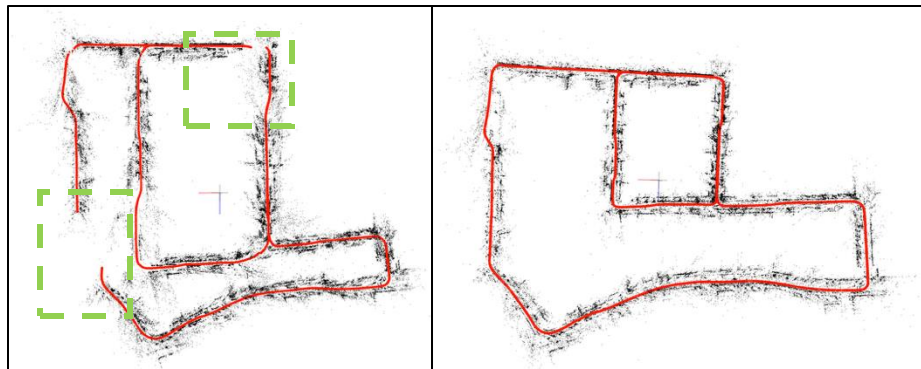
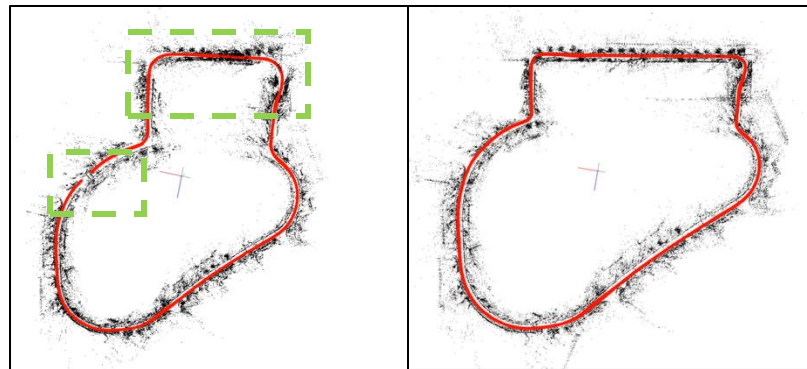
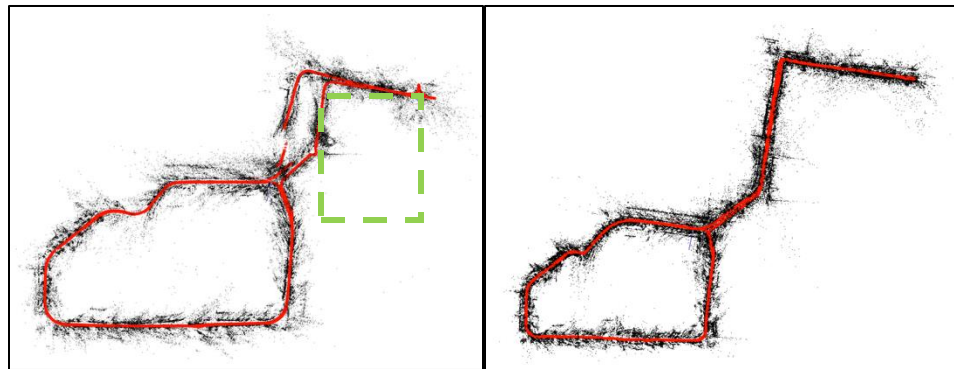
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## Effectiveness of Augmented View Graph



Global SfM from *raw view graph*

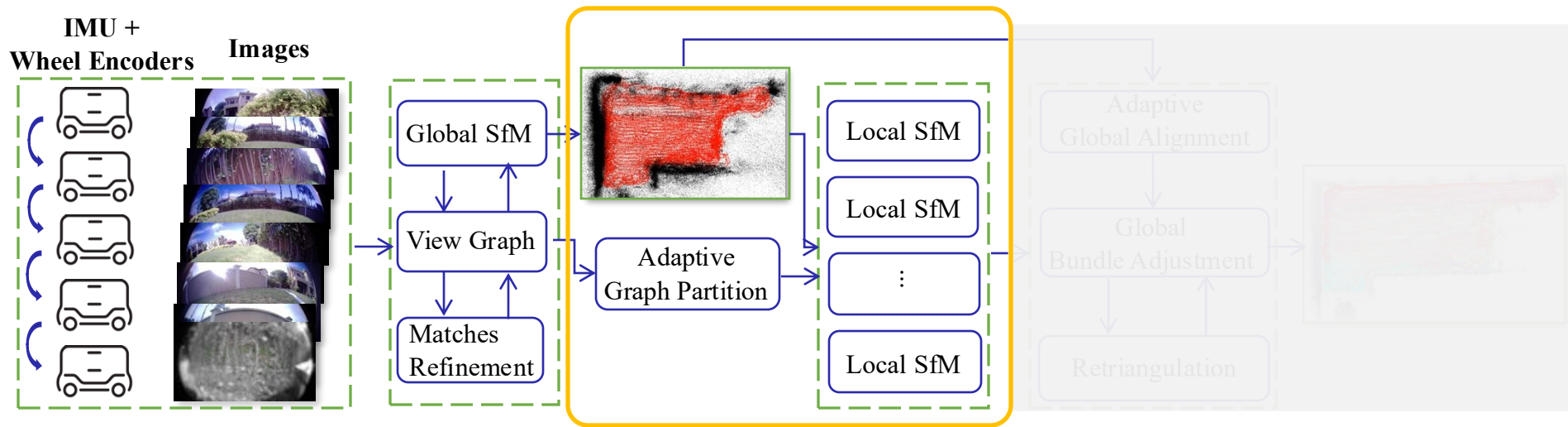
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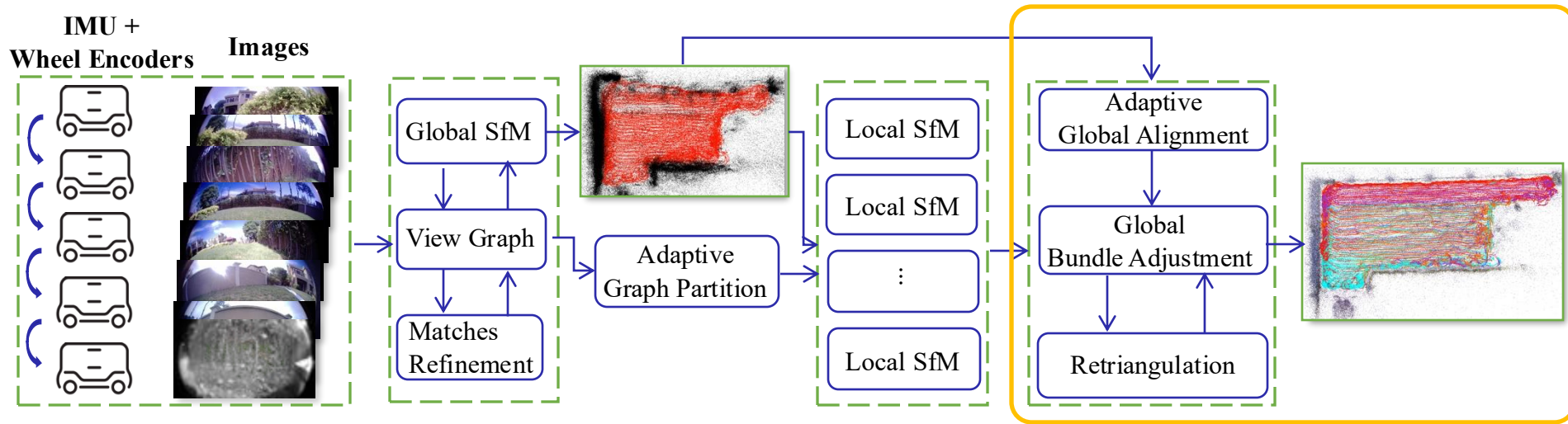
## Efficiency in Structure from Motion



- **Divide-and-Conquer:** Split large scene into smaller blocks
- Leveraging **distribute computing resources**

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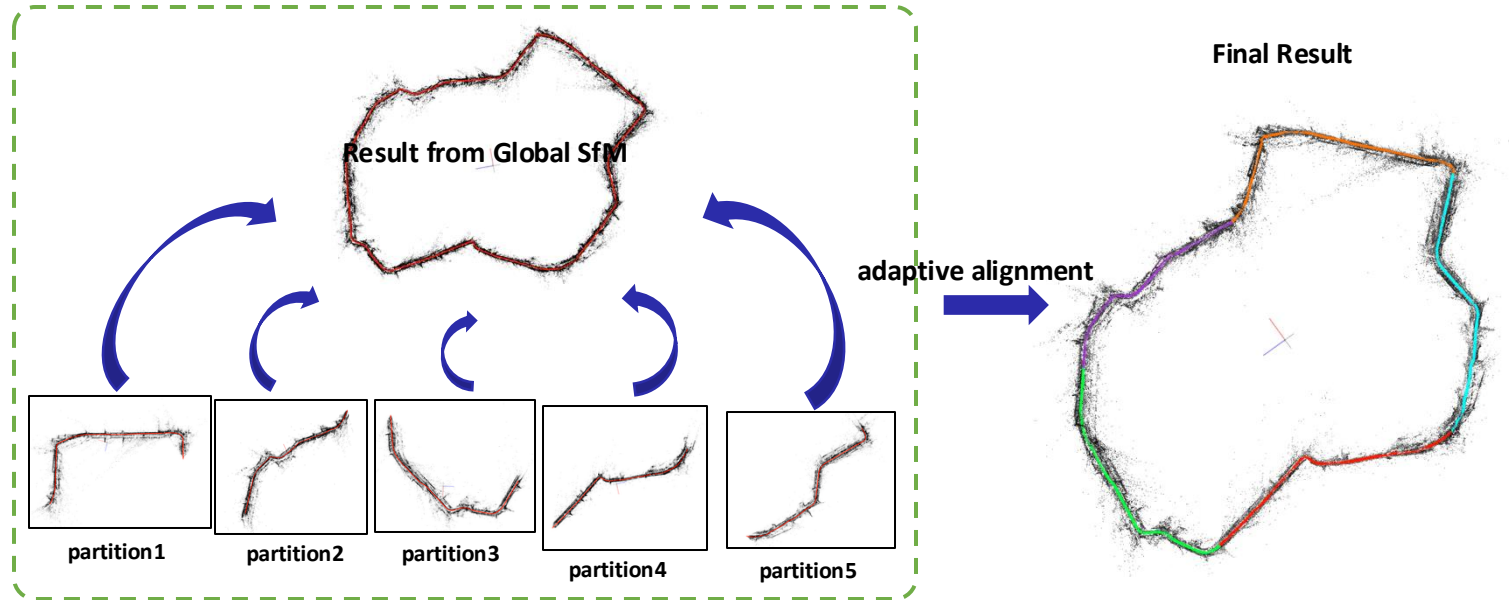
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## Robustness in Structure from Motion – Adaptive Alignment



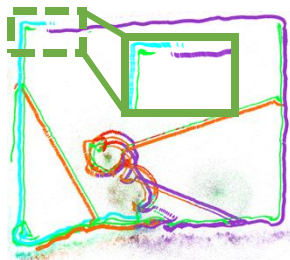
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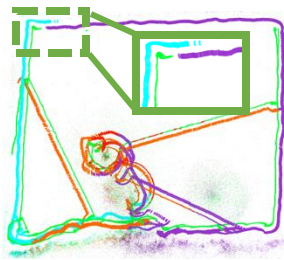
- Similarity transformation estimation is crucial!
  - Outliers in registered camera poses
  - Unknown absolute scale of inlier threshold



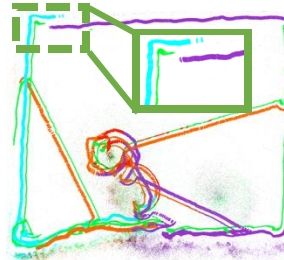
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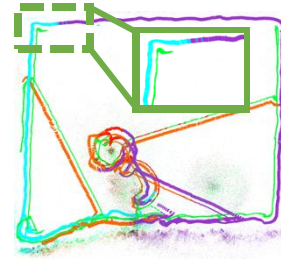
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(c)  $\tau_{\text{inlier}} = 1.5$



(d)  $\tau_{\text{inlier}} = 2.0$

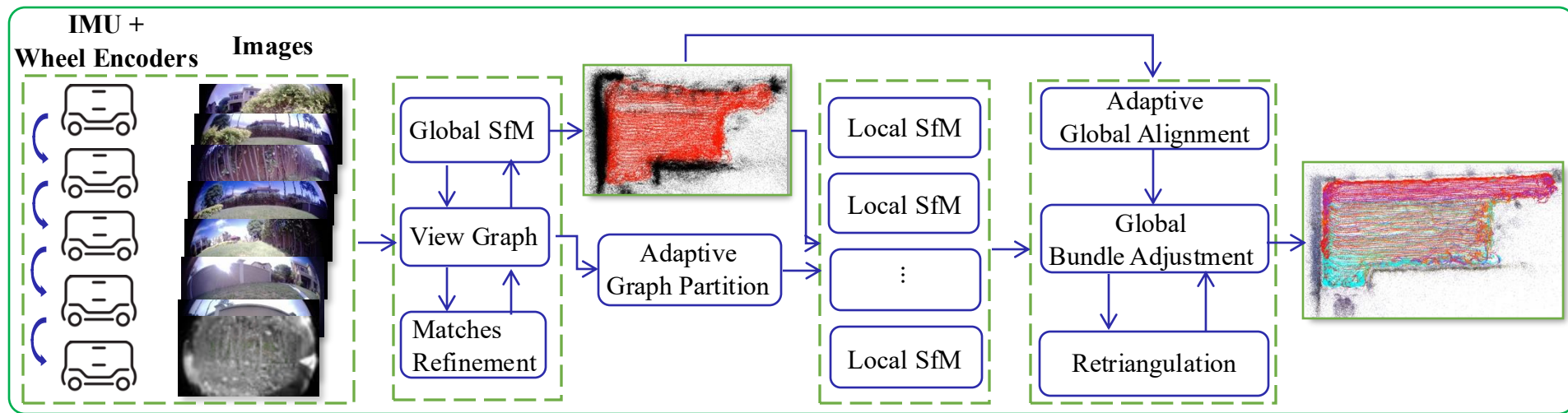


(e)  $\tau_{\text{init}} = 1.0$

(a)-(d) are alignment results by using different fixed inlier threshold within RANSAC; (e) is the result with our adaptive global alignment algorithm with an initial inlier threshold 1.0.

# Highlight

AdaSfM **accelerates** SfM by **3-5 times** on single machine (~12 times on 3 servers) with **higher camera pose accuracy**



# Results

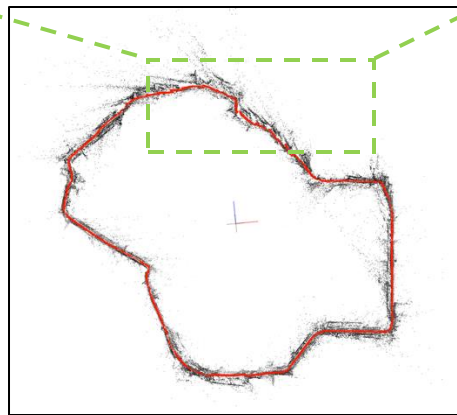
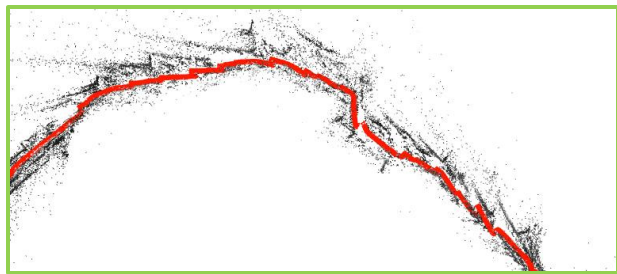
# Reconstruction on Autonomous Driving Datasets

| Scene         | Sequence                      | COLMAP [8] |         |             |            |         | Ours (Global SfM) |         |             |             |       | Ours (final) |         |             |             |        |
|---------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------|-------------|------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------|---------|-------------|-------------|--------|
|               |                               | $N_c$      | $N_p$   | $\Delta R$  | $\Delta t$ | $T$     | $N_c$             | $N_p$   | $\Delta R$  | $\Delta t$  | $T$   | $N_c$        | $N_p$   | $\Delta R$  | $\Delta t$  | $T$    |
| Neighborhood  | recording_2020-10-07_14-53-52 | 6,326      | 137,135 | <b>0.65</b> | 1.78       | 334.90  | 6,036             | 66,777  | 2.52        | 1.17        | 14.68 | 6,033        | 109,483 | 0.74        | <b>0.52</b> | 123.96 |
|               | recording_2020-12-22_11-54-24 | 6,518      | 127,892 | 0.55        | 3.68       | 354.35  | 6,144             | 64,405  | 1.10        | 0.86        | 15.83 | 6,144        | 102,857 | <b>0.51</b> | <b>0.62</b> | 151.88 |
|               | recording_2020-03-26_13-32-55 | 7,414      | 148,848 | <b>0.61</b> | 1.24       | 603.13  | 5,982             | 70,066  | 0.92        | <b>0.79</b> | 17.10 | 5,982        | 111,807 | 1.11        | 0.98        | 157.76 |
|               | recording_2020-10-07_14-47-51 | 6,688      | 152,307 | <b>0.56</b> | 1.67       | 359.03  | 6,248             | 76,305  | 2.20        | 1.17        | 15.70 | 6,248        | 121,657 | 0.75        | <b>0.74</b> | 152.85 |
|               | recording_2021-02-25_13-25-15 | 6,174      | 138,807 | 0.75        | 1.05       | 325.65  | 5,238             | 62,879  | 1.00        | 1.14        | 15.12 | 5,238        | 106,609 | <b>0.46</b> | <b>0.81</b> | 202.85 |
|               | recording_2021-05-10_18-02-12 | 7,784      | 149,528 | 3.04        | 9.57       | 444.85  | 5,834             | 61,889  | 1.49        | 1.38        | 12.76 | 5,834        | 101,102 | <b>0.47</b> | <b>0.59</b> | 153.36 |
|               | recording_2021-05-10_18-32-32 | 7,174      | 141,864 | 2.77        | 19.15      | 416.34  | 6,046             | 89,010  | <b>1.14</b> | <b>1.03</b> | 23.81 | 6,046        | 142,430 | 1.49        | 1.34        | 264.75 |
| Business Park | recording_2021-01-07_13-12-23 | 8,016      | 109,399 | 0.72        | 0.75       | 643.22  | 9,010             | 72,096  | 1.76        | 1.60        | 56.16 | 9,010        | 100,057 | <b>0.66</b> | <b>0.51</b> | 465.34 |
|               | recording_2020-10-08_09-30-57 | 11,520     | 127,013 | <b>0.37</b> | 1.57       | 1284.44 | 8,278             | 66,087  | 1.59        | 1.51        | 48.72 | 8,278        | 108,000 | 0.63        | <b>0.45</b> | 366.81 |
|               | recording_2021-02-25_14-16-43 | 7,414      | 148,848 | <b>0.61</b> | 1.24       | 603.13  | 5,982             | 70,066  | 0.92        | <b>0.79</b> | 17.10 | 5,982        | 111,807 | 1.11        | 0.98        | 157.76 |
| Old Town      | recording_2020-10-08_11-53-41 | 19,332     | 279,989 | -           | -          | 2454    | 12,910            | 181,569 | 2.23        | 2.81        | 45.72 | 12,048       | 279,127 | <b>0.55</b> | <b>0.56</b> | 254.71 |
|               | recording_2021-01-07_10-49-45 | 16,420     | 307,383 | 8.63        | 360.51     | 1496.6  | 12,728            | 194,340 | 2.56        | 3.14        | 53.18 | 12,728       | 327,348 | <b>1.55</b> | <b>1.03</b> | 238.82 |
|               | recording_2021-02-25_12-34-08 | 18,950     | 305,461 | -           | -          | 2392.98 | 12,387            | 182,940 | 2.02        | 3.14        | 40.97 | 12,387       | 302,833 | <b>0.63</b> | <b>0.74</b> | 683.97 |
| Office Loop   | recording_2020-03-24_17-36-22 | 10,188     | 209,942 | 1.17        | 3.40       | 822.38  | 9,522             | 126,680 | 2.28        | 2.38        | 31.87 | 9,377        | 214,285 | <b>0.97</b> | <b>0.98</b> | 166.54 |
|               | recording_2020-03-24_17-45-31 | 8,582      | 195,738 | 0.92        | 3.04       | 865.48  | 9,186             | 122,713 | 2.79        | 2.20        | 33.91 | 8,940        | 205,790 | <b>0.84</b> | <b>0.85</b> | 209.06 |
|               | recording_2020-04-07_10-20-31 | 10,350     | 223,649 | 4.22        | 42.44      | 795.68  | 10,184            | 138,446 | 2.53        | 1.78        | 39.83 | 10,184       | 224,499 | <b>1.47</b> | <b>1.14</b> | 253.24 |
|               | recording_2020-06-12_10-10-57 | 9,990      | 236,593 | 18.97       | 83.94      | 705.93  | 10,150            | 164,062 | 1.92        | 1.61        | 37.32 | 10,150       | 246,516 | <b>0.76</b> | <b>0.87</b> | 206.48 |
|               | recording_2021-01-07_12-04-03 | 9,164      | 475,950 | <b>0.71</b> | 2.58       | 1000.75 | 10,300            | 143,715 | 3.32        | 2.39        | 48.68 | 10,300       | 223,676 | 1.08        | <b>0.67</b> | 249.42 |
|               | recording_2021-02-25_13-51-57 | 9,574      | 214,695 | <b>0.84</b> | 2.84       | 773.32  | 9,426             | 122,746 | 3.80        | 2.68        | 28.96 | 9,426        | 204,289 | 1.01        | <b>0.91</b> | 173.29 |

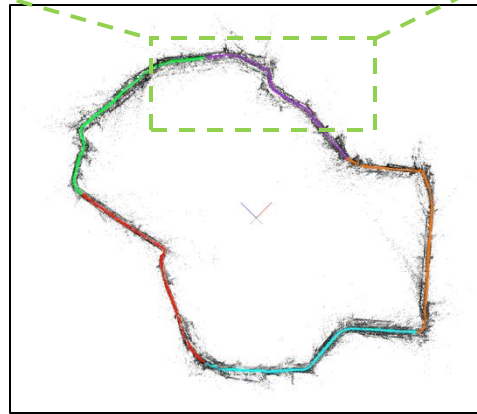
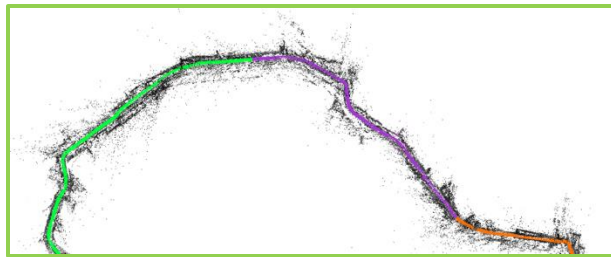
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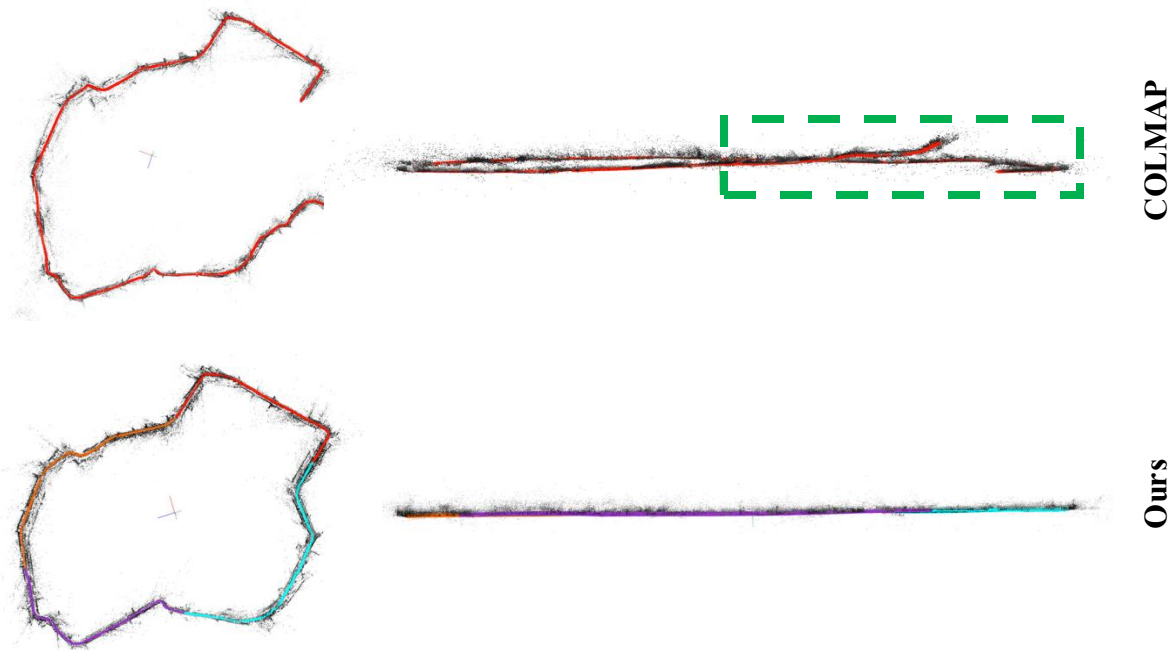
**COLMAP**



**AdaSfM (ours)**

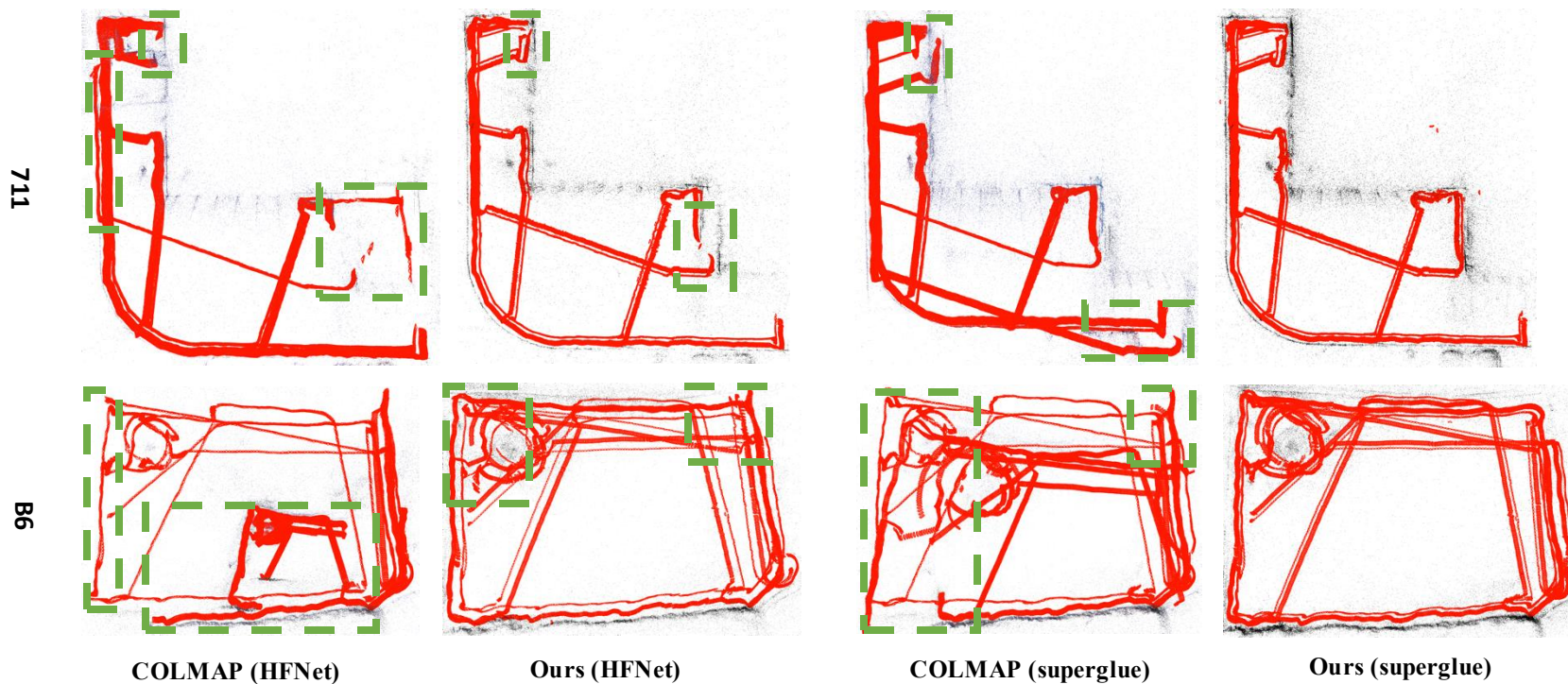
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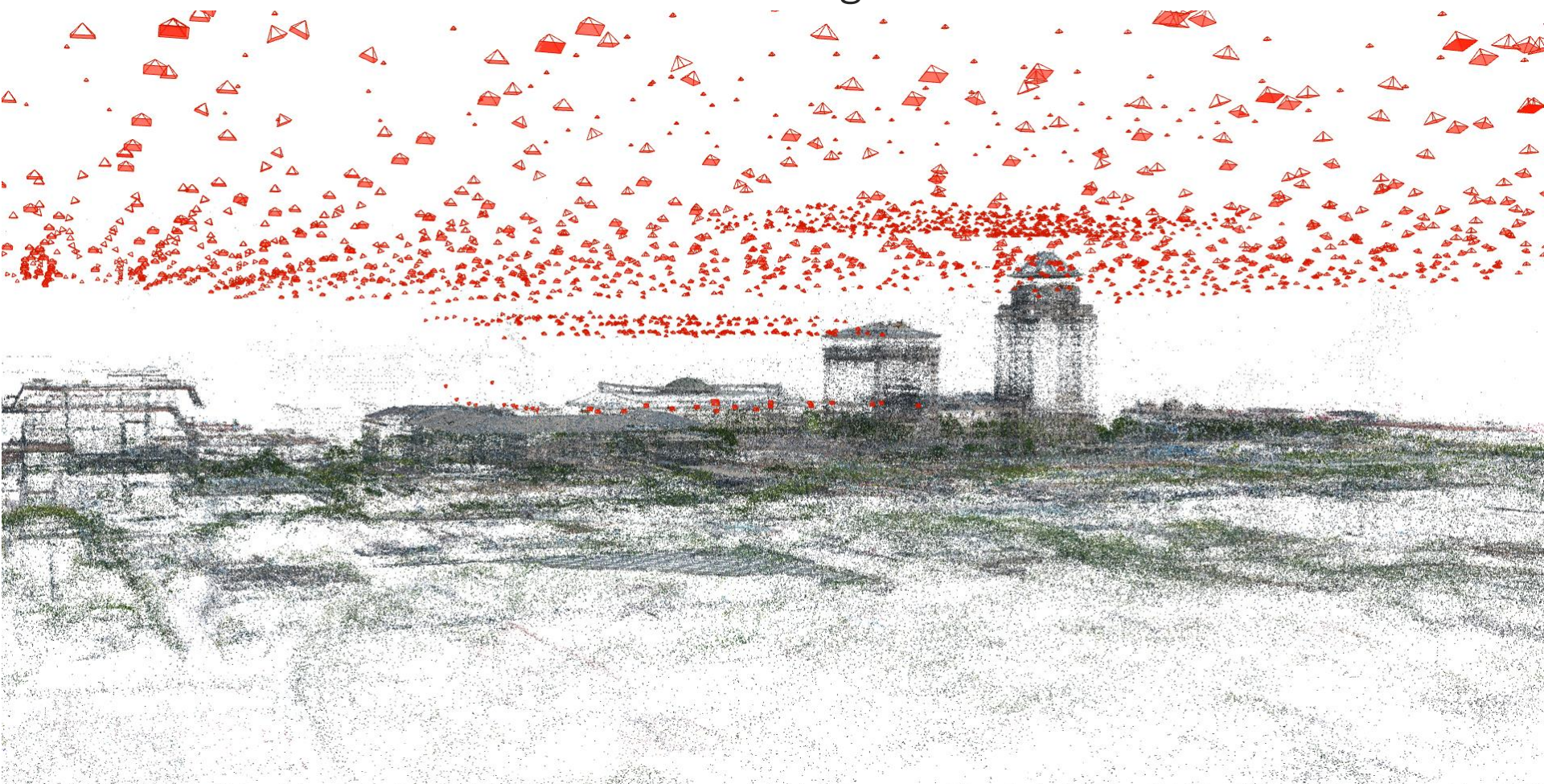
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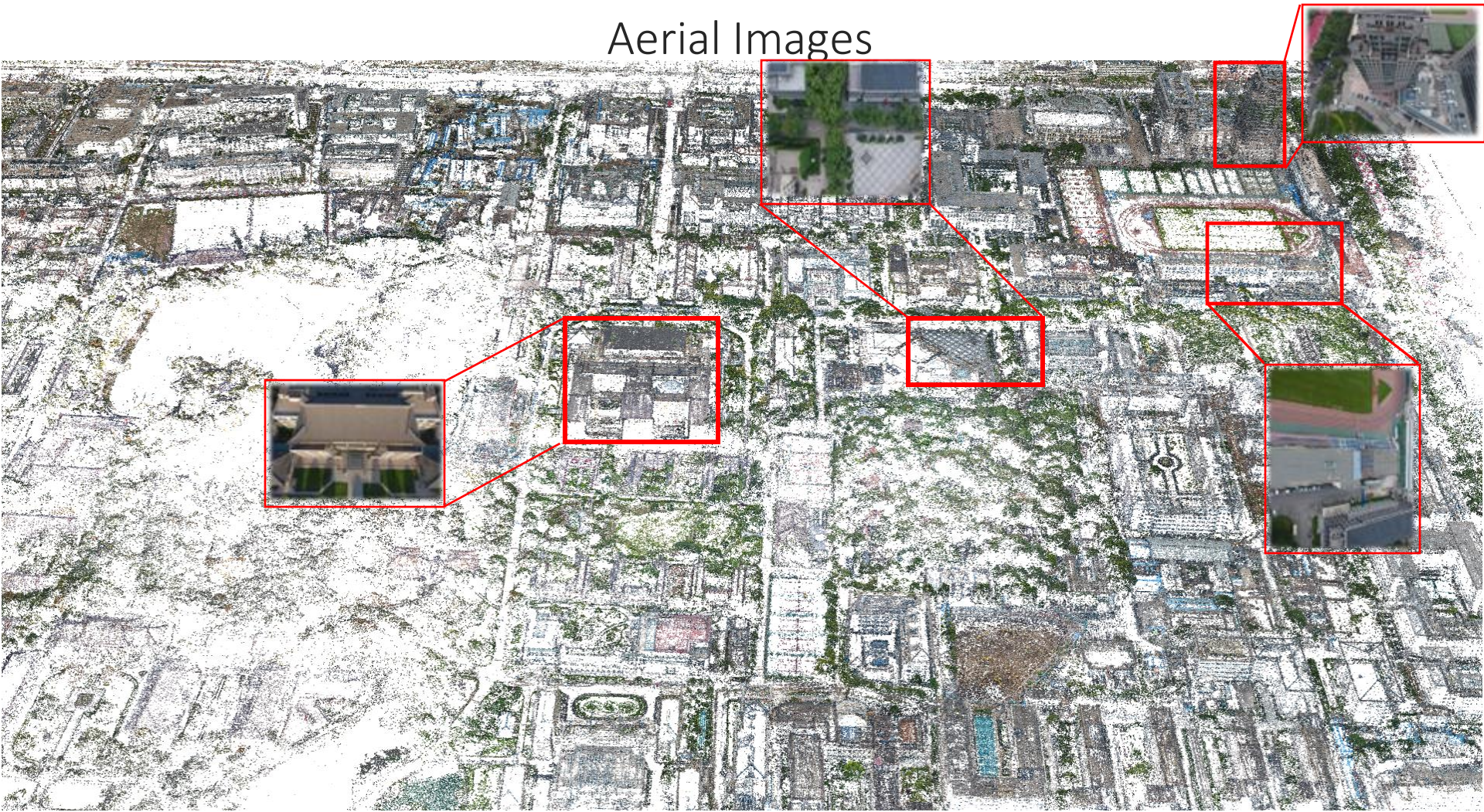
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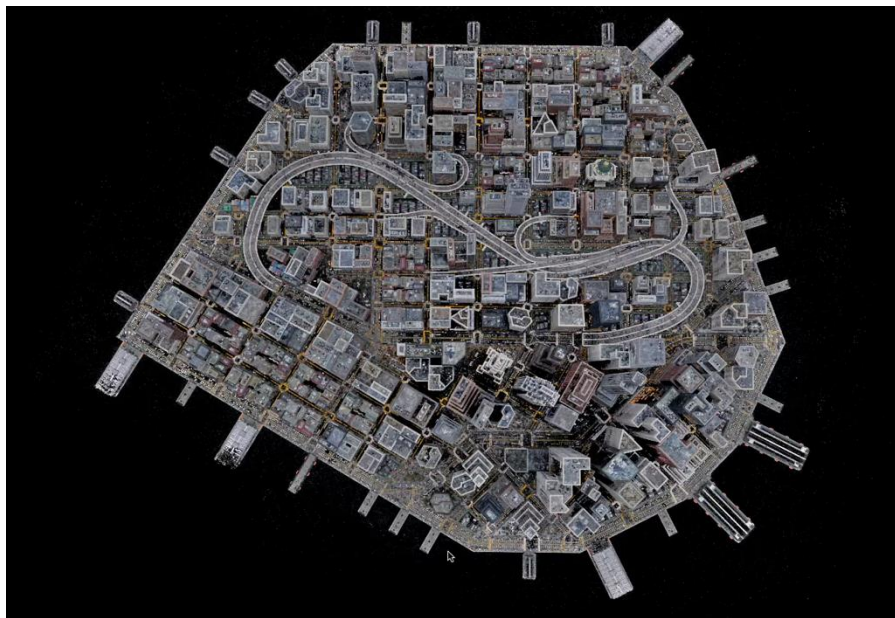
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Room Scale / Object-centric Scenes with 3DGS

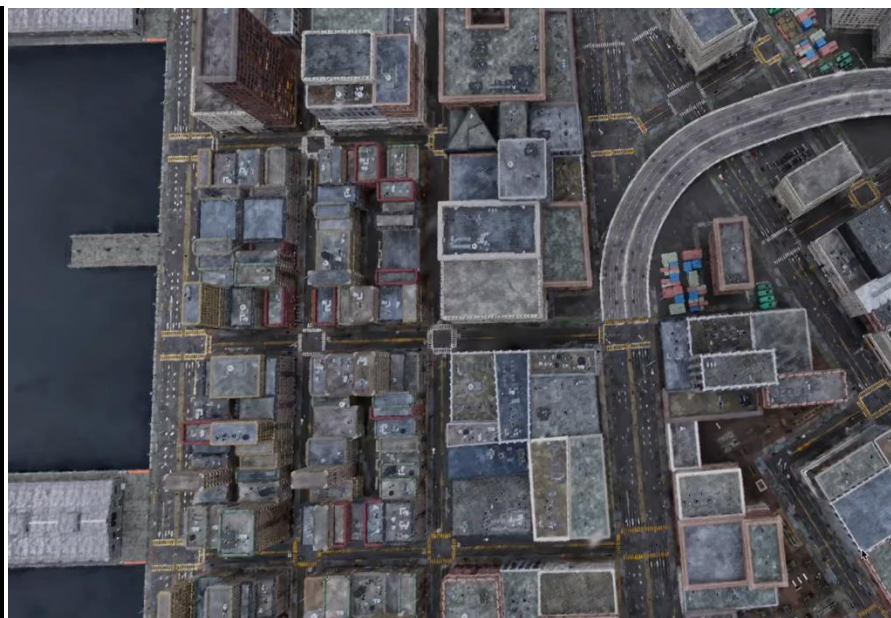


# Highlight ☆☆☆

DOGS accelerates 3DGS training by 6+ times with better rendering quality on five compute nodes



Point Clouds After Training (12.5 M 3D Gaussians)

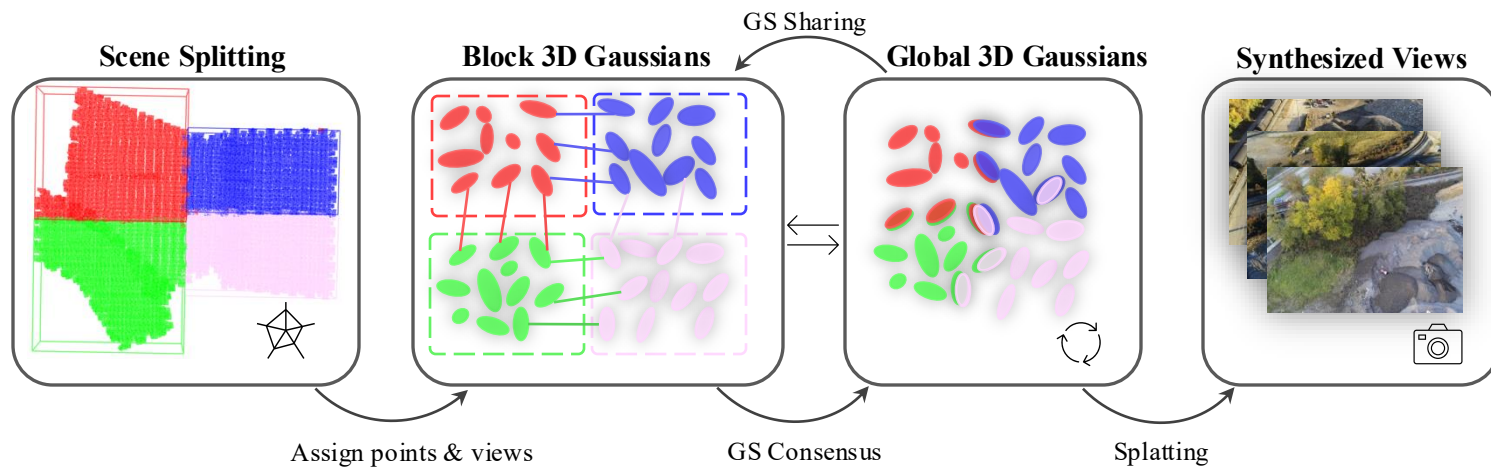


Novel View Rendering

Visualization Results Recorded on Web Viewer (MacBook m1 chip, 8GB memory)

# Main Idea

Divide-and-Conquer



Algorithm Pipeline

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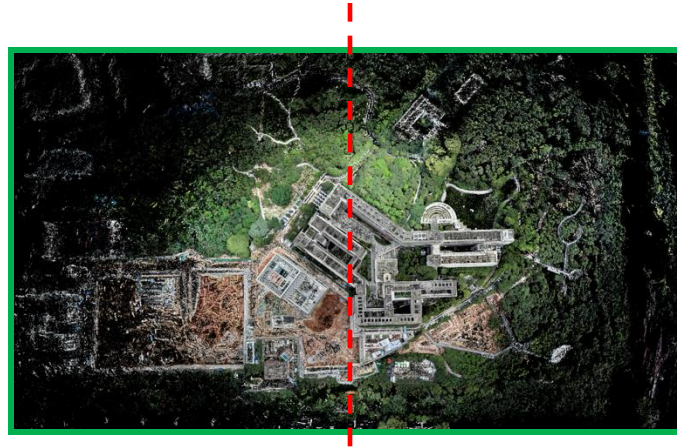
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**Point Clouds in 3D Space**

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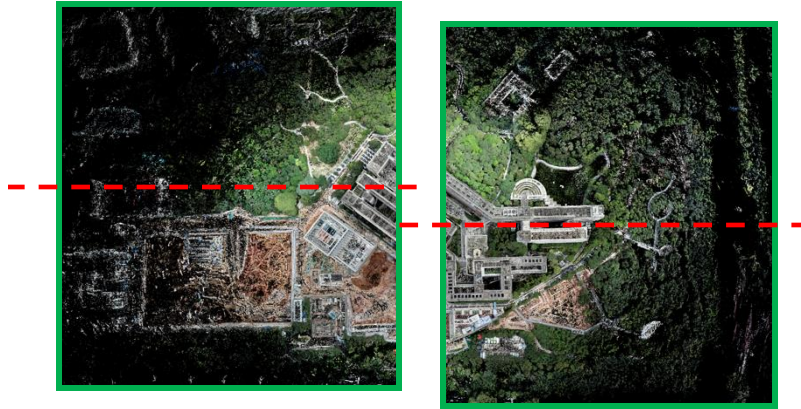
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**Project 3D point clouds onto  
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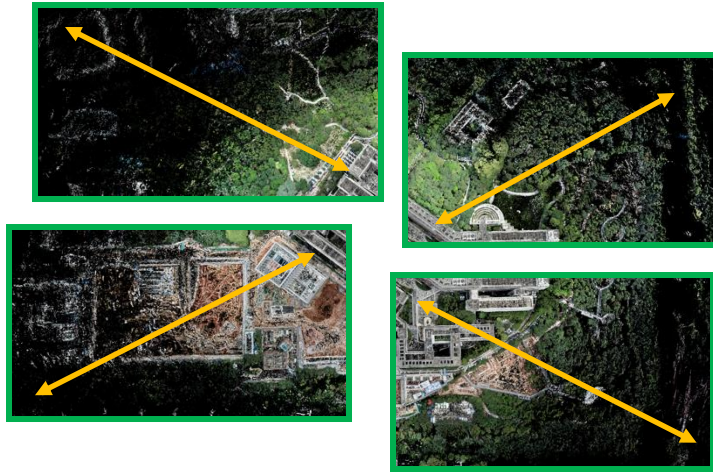
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Splitting along the longer axis

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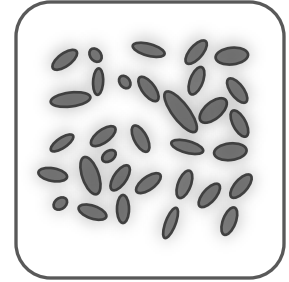


Intersected Blocks

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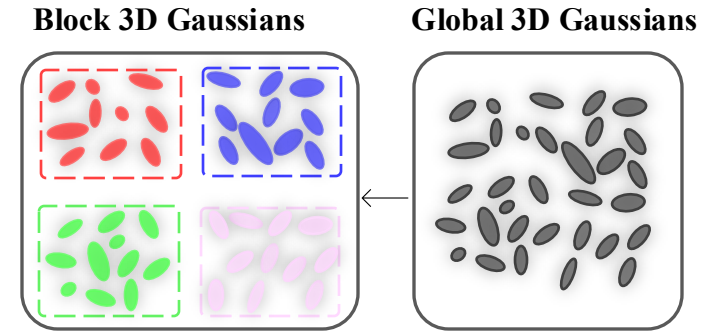
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**Global 3D Gaussians**



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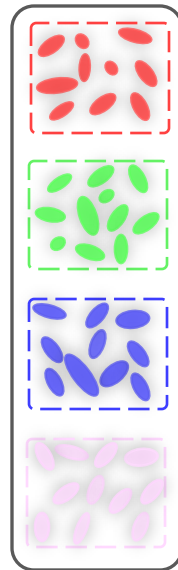
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Divide-and-Conquer: Consensus and Sharing

Block 3D Gaussians



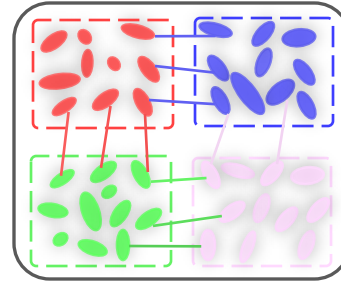
Distributedly trained  
on K slave nodes

How to ensure the **consistency** of the **shared 3D Gaussians** in different blocks?

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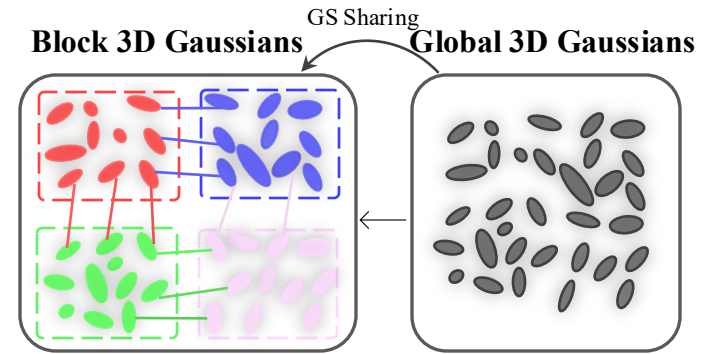
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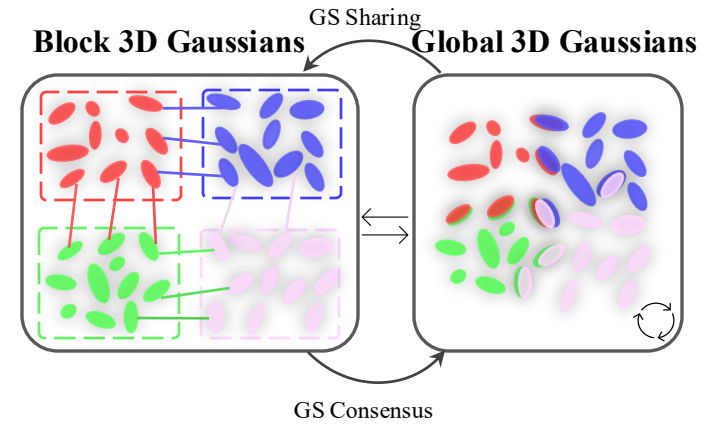
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# Results

# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

## Higher Fidelity Novel View Synthesis

| Scenes                         | Building        |                 |                    | Rubble          |                 |                    | Campus          |                 |                    | Residence       |                 |                    | Sci-Art         |                 |                    |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|                                | PSNR $\uparrow$ | SSIM $\uparrow$ | LPIPS $\downarrow$ | PSNR $\uparrow$ | SSIM $\uparrow$ | LPIPS $\downarrow$ | PSNR $\uparrow$ | SSIM $\uparrow$ | LPIPS $\downarrow$ | PSNR $\uparrow$ | SSIM $\uparrow$ | LPIPS $\downarrow$ | PSNR $\uparrow$ | SSIM $\uparrow$ | LPIPS $\downarrow$ |
| Mega-NeRF [46]                 | 20.92           | 0.547           | 0.454              | 24.06           | 0.553           | 0.508              | 23.42           | 0.537           | 0.636              | 22.08           | 0.628           | 0.401              | 25.60           | 0.770           | 0.312              |
| Switch-NeRF [31]               | 21.54           | 0.579           | 0.397              | 24.31           | 0.562           | 0.478              | 23.62           | 0.541           | 0.616              | 22.57           | 0.654           | 0.352              | 26.51           | 0.795           | 0.271              |
| 3D-GS [18]                     | 22.53           | 0.738           | 0.214              | 25.51           | 0.725           | 0.316              | 23.67           | 0.688           | 0.347              | 22.36           | 0.745           | 0.247              | 24.13           | 0.791           | 0.262              |
| VastGaussian <sup>†</sup> [22] | 21.80           | 0.728           | 0.225              | 25.20           | 0.742           | 0.264              | 23.82           | 0.695           | 0.329              | 21.01           | 0.699           | 0.261              | 22.64           | 0.761           | 0.261              |
| Hierarchy-GS [19]              | 21.52           | 0.723           | 0.297              | 24.64           | 0.755           | 0.284              | –               | –               | –                  | –               | –               | –                  | –               | –               | –                  |
| DoGaussian                     | 22.73           | 0.759           | 0.204              | 25.78           | 0.765           | 0.257              | 24.01           | 0.681           | 0.377              | 21.94           | 0.740           | 0.244              | 24.42           | 0.804           | 0.219              |

Table 1: **Quantitative results of novel view synthesis on Mill19 [46] dataset and Urban-Scene3D [25] dataset.**  $\uparrow$ : higher is better,  $\downarrow$ : lower is better. The red, orange and yellow colors respectively denote the best, the second best, and the third best results. <sup>†</sup> denotes without applying the decoupled appearance encoding.

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# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

Faster Training Speed than 3DGS

| Scenes                         | Building |        |      |        | Rubble  |        |      |        | Campus  |        |      |       | Residence |        |      |        | Sci-Art |        |      |        |
|--------------------------------|----------|--------|------|--------|---------|--------|------|--------|---------|--------|------|-------|-----------|--------|------|--------|---------|--------|------|--------|
|                                | Train ↓  | Points | Mem  | FPS ↑  | Train ↓ | Points | Mem  | FPS ↑  | Train ↓ | Points | Mem  | FPS ↑ | Train ↓   | Points | Mem  | FPS ↑  | Train ↓ | Points | Mem  | FPS ↑  |
| Mega-NeRF [46]                 | 19:49    | –      | 5.84 | 0.009  | 30:48   | –      | 5.88 | 0.009  | 29:03   | –      | 5.86 | 0.008 | 27:20     | –      | 5.99 | 0.006  | 27:39   | –      | 5.97 | 0.006  |
| Switch-NeRF [31]               | 24:46    | –      | 5.84 | 0.009  | 38:30   | –      | 5.87 | 0.009  | 36:19   | –      | 5.85 | 0.007 | 35:11     | –      | 5.94 | 0.007  | 34:34   | –      | 5.92 | 0.008  |
| 3D-GS [18]                     | 21:37    | 7.99   | 4.62 | 90.09  | 18:40   | 3.85   | 2.18 | 166.67 | 23:03   | 13.6   | 7.69 | 59.52 | 23:13     | 5.35   | 3.23 | 142.86 | 21:33   | 2.31   | 1.61 | 240.96 |
| VastGaussian <sup>†</sup> [22] | 03:26    | 5.60   | 3.07 | 121.35 | 02:30   | 4.71   | 2.74 | 163.93 | 03:33   | 17.6   | 9.61 | 47.84 | 03:12     | 6.26   | 3.67 | 118.48 | 02:33   | 4.21   | 3.54 | 120.33 |
| DoGaussian                     | 03:51    | 6.89   | 3.39 | 122.33 | 02:25   | 4.74   | 2.54 | 147.06 | 04:15   | 8.27   | 4.29 | 99.85 | 04:33     | 7.64   | 6.11 | 82.34  | 04:23   | 5.67   | 3.53 | 107.87 |

Table 2: **Quantitative results of novel view synthesis on Mill19 dataset and UrbanScene3D dataset.** We present the training time (hh:mm), the number of final points ( $10^6$ ), the allocated memory (GB), and the framerate (FPS) during evaluation. <sup>†</sup> denotes without applying the decoupled appearance encoding.

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# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

Higher Fidelity Novel View Synthesis – Mill19



Ground Truth

Mega-NeRF

Switch-NeRF

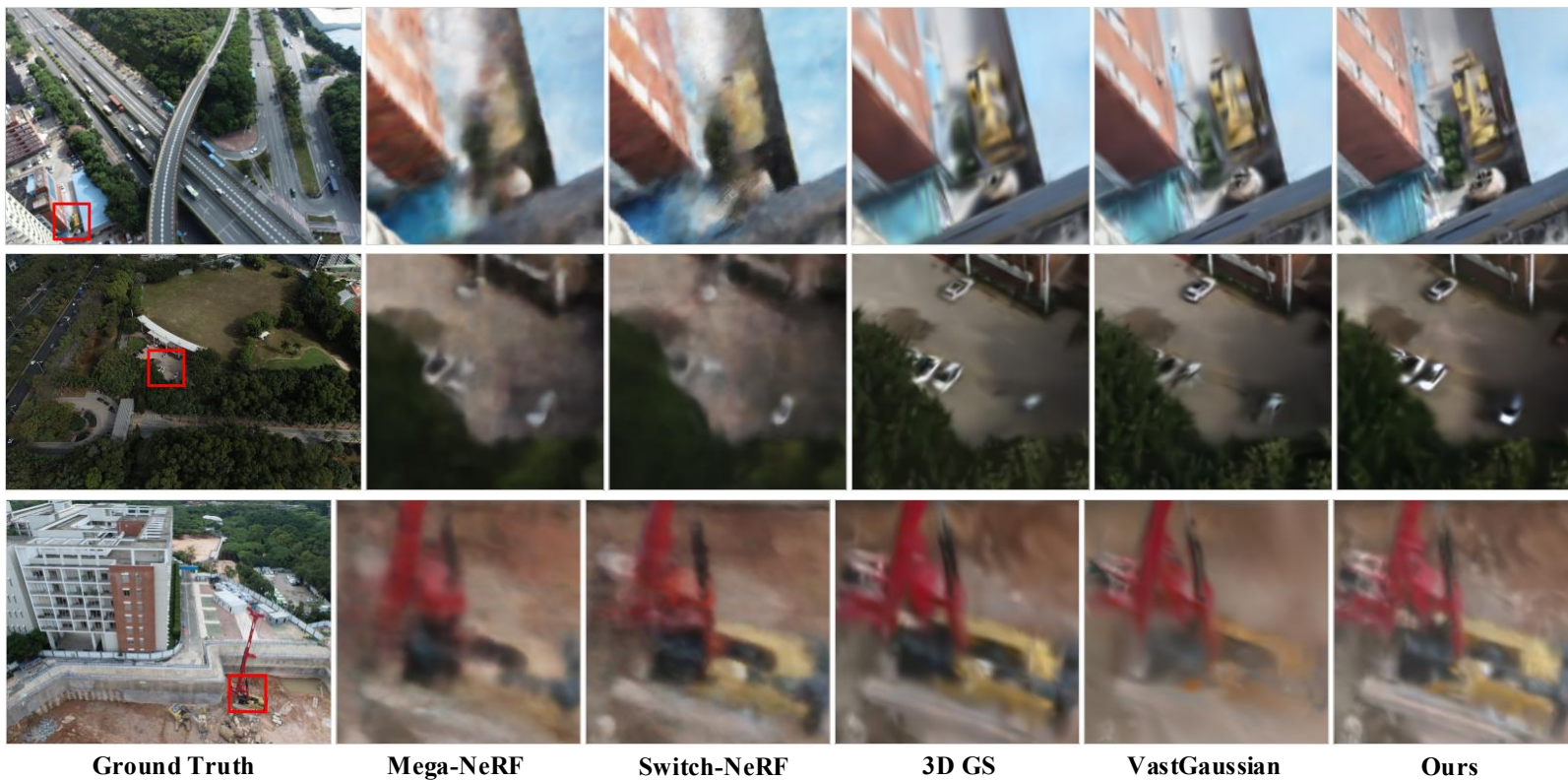
3D GS

VastGaussian

Ours

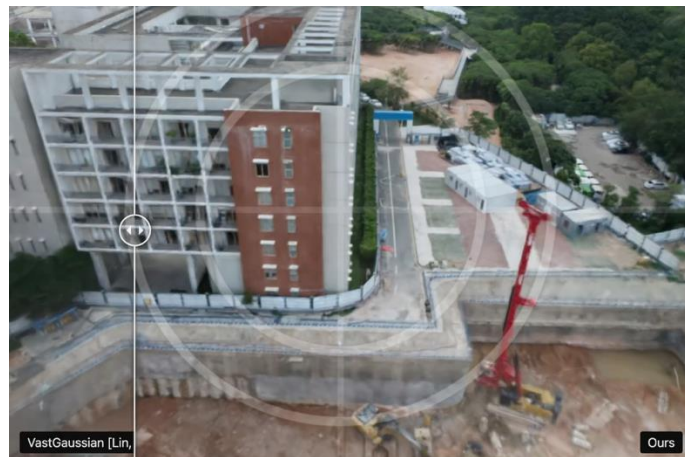
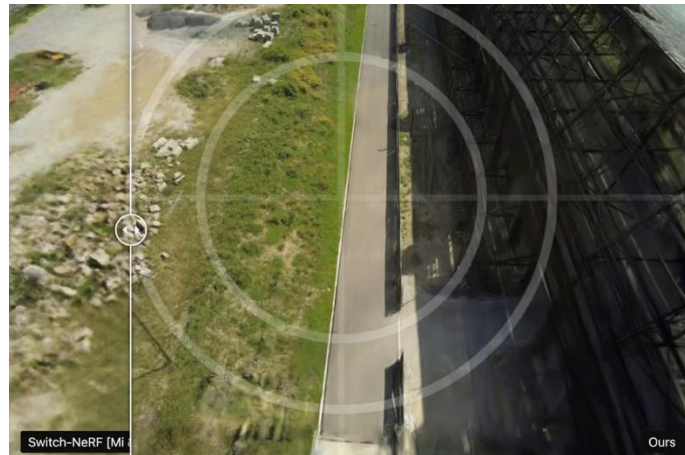
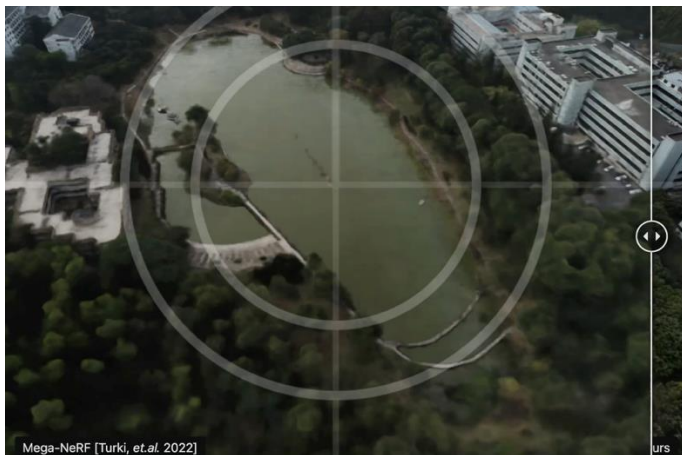
# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

Higher Fidelity Novel View Synthesis – UrbanScene3D



# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

Higher Fidelity Novel View Synthesis



# Reconstruction on Large Scale Scenes

## Importance of Consensus and Sharing



**w.o. CS**

**full model**



**w.o. CS**

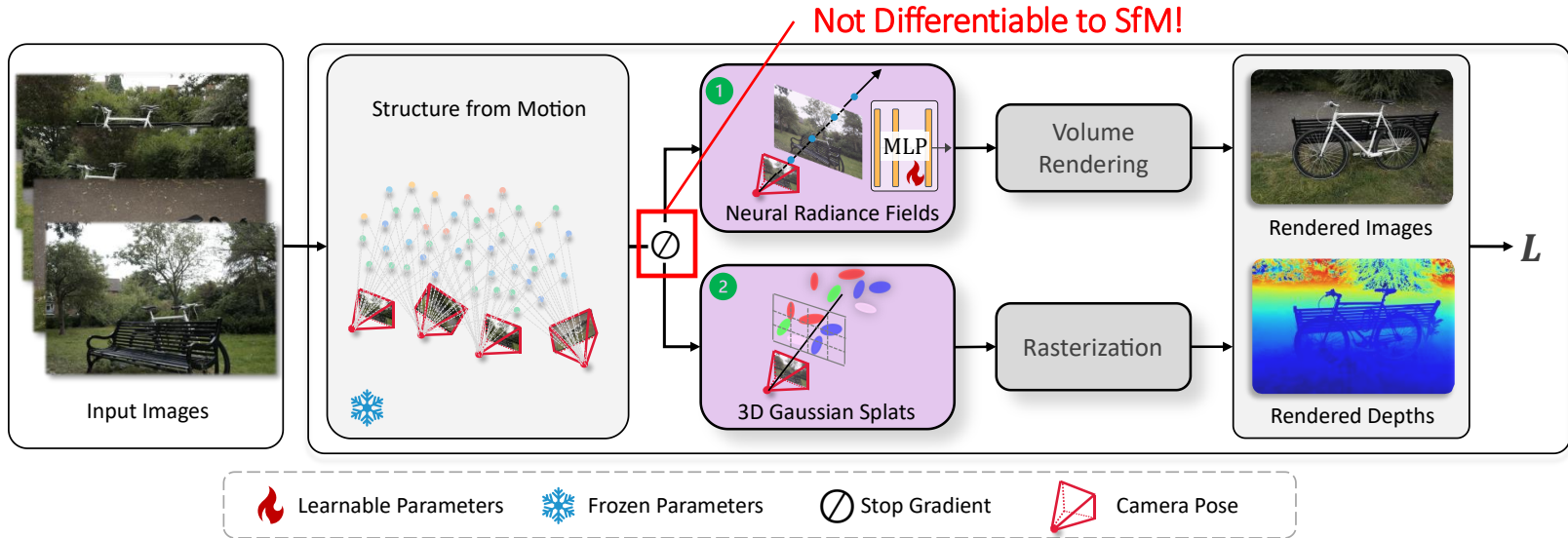
**full model**



- w.o. CS: our method without the 3D Gaussian consensus

# Limitations

## Decoupled Camera Pose Estimation and Scene Reconstruction



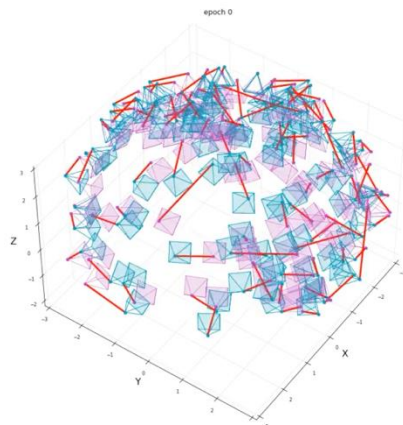
# Part #2

Develop Distributed System and Neural Scene Representations for  
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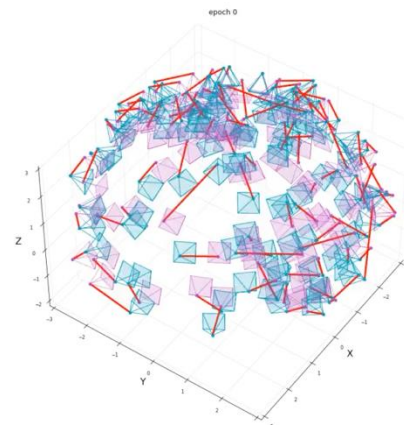


# Bundle-Adjusting Neural Radiance Fields

- **Pros**
  - Refine inaccurate camera poses
- **Cons**
  - Trained on per-scene NeRF
  - Camera poses initialization



**NeRF w/ full positional encoding**



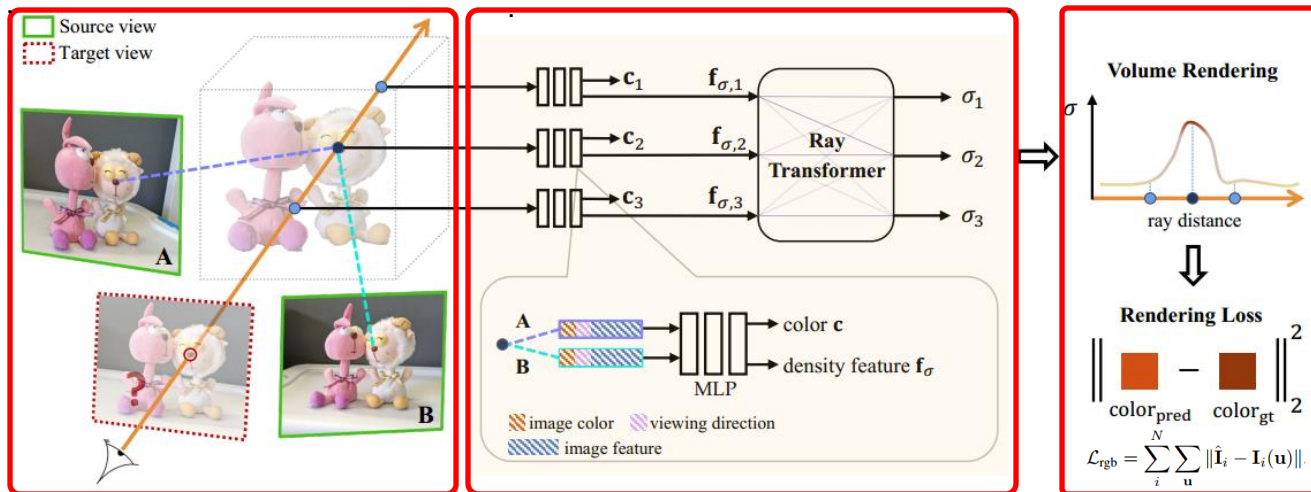
**BARF**

# Generalizable Neural Radiance Fields

$$1 \mathbf{f} = \chi(\Pi(\mathbf{P}_j, \omega(\mathbf{X}_i^k, \mathbf{P}_i)), \mathbf{F}_j)$$

$$2 g_k = f_a(\mathbf{f}_1^k, \mathbf{f}_2^k, \dots, \mathbf{f}_M^k)$$

$$3 \hat{\mathbf{I}}_{\text{target}} := \hat{\mathbf{I}}_i = h(g_1, \dots, g_K; \Phi)$$

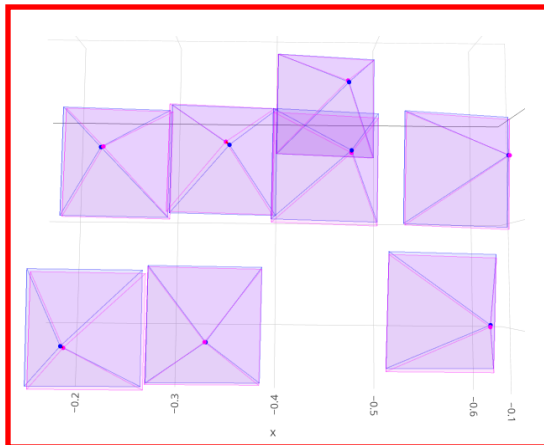


Can we bundle-adjust GeNeRF like BARF?

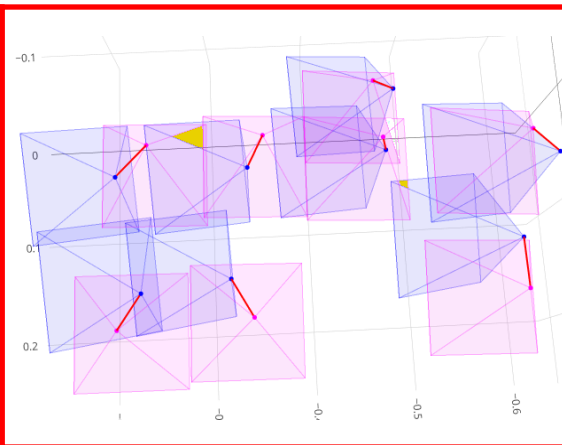
# Bundle Adjusting GeNeRF is Difficult

BARF  $\rightarrow$  GeNeRF

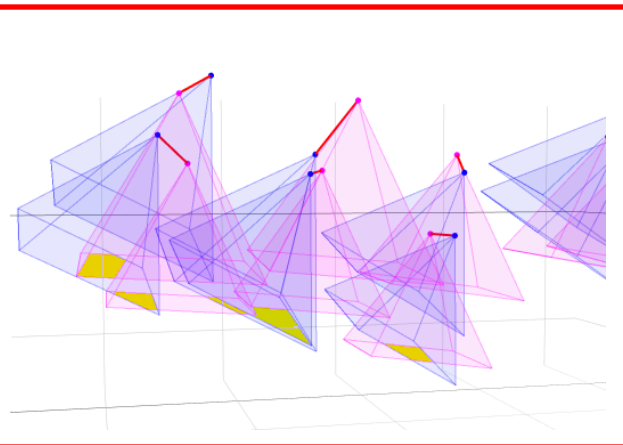
Initial Poses  
(BEV, iter=0)



Optimized Poses  
(BEV, iter=10000)



Optimized Poses  
(SV, iter=20000)

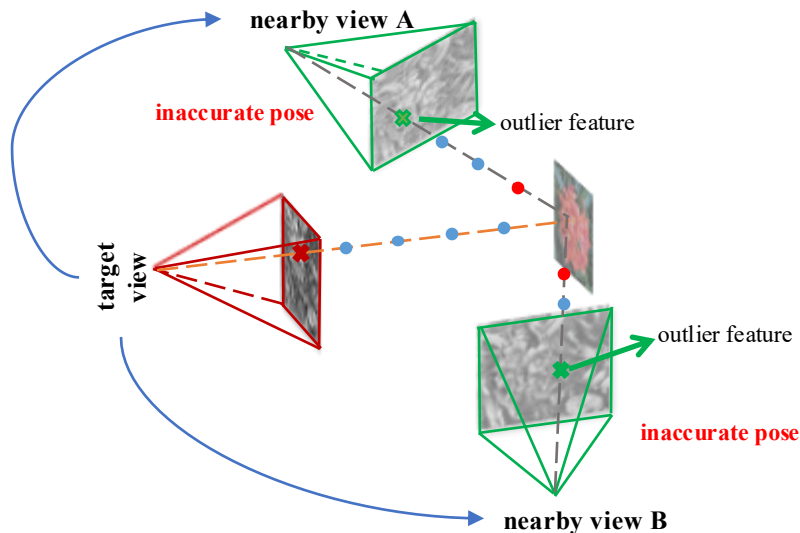


We adopted a pretrained GeNeRF model and constructed a  $N \times 6$  learnable pose embedding like BARF. The pose embedding is jointly trained with the GeNeRF model and optimized by Adam with a learning rate  $1e-5$ .

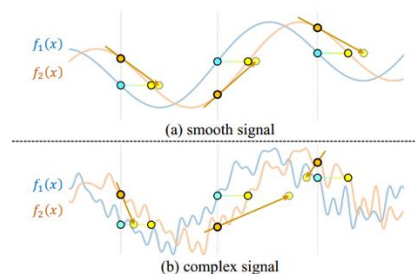
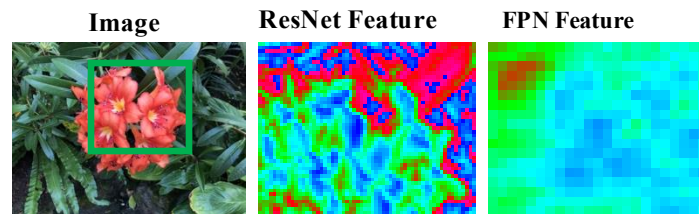
# Key Idea

## Smooth Cost Feature Map for Joint Relative Poses and GeNeRF Optimization

🤖 Occlusion contributes feature outliers



🤖 Image feature space is highly non-smooth



The overall update  $\Delta p$  can be more effectively estimated from pixel value differences with a smooth signal

1. Relative poses are all we need

$$\Pi(\mathbf{P}_j, \omega(\mathbf{X}_i^k, \mathbf{P}_i)) = \mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{P}_i^{-1} \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{P}_{ij} \mathbf{X}_i^k$$

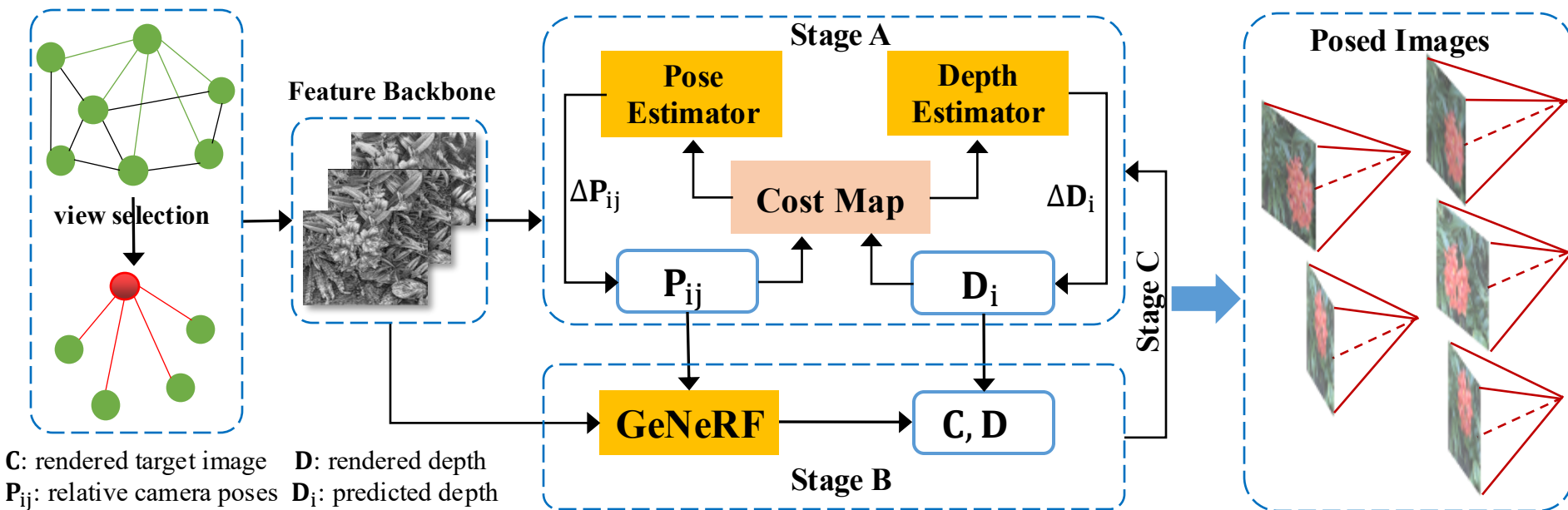
2. Smooth Cost Map as an Implicit Loss

$$\mathcal{C} = \sum_{\mathbf{u}_i} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \rho(\chi(\mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{P}_{ij} \mathbf{X}_i^k, \mathbf{F}_j) - \chi(\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{F}_i))$$

feature-metric error

# Key Idea

Smooth Cost Feature Map for Joint Relative Poses  
and GeNeRF Optimization



# Results

# Novel View Synthesis

## Comparable Results Compared to NeRF with GT Poses

| Scenes   | PSNR $\uparrow$ |              |             |              |          |              | SSIM $\uparrow$ |          |             |              |          |              | LPIPS $\downarrow$ |          |             |              |          |              |
|----------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|--------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
|          | BARF [19]       | GARF [4]     | IBRNet [46] |              | Ours     |              | BARF [19]       | GARF [4] | IBRNet [46] |              | Ours     |              | BARF [19]          | GARF [4] | IBRNet [46] |              | Ours     |              |
|          |                 |              | $\times$    | $\checkmark$ | $\times$ | $\checkmark$ |                 |          | $\times$    | $\checkmark$ | $\times$ | $\checkmark$ |                    |          | $\times$    | $\checkmark$ | $\times$ | $\checkmark$ |
| fern     | 23.79           | 24.51        | 23.61       | 25.56        | 23.12    | <b>25.97</b> | 0.710           | 0.740    | 0.743       | 0.825        | 0.724    | <b>0.840</b> | 0.311              | 0.290    | 0.240       | 0.139        | 0.277    | <b>0.120</b> |
| flower   | 23.37           | <b>26.40</b> | 22.92       | 23.94        | 21.89    | 23.95        | 0.698           | 0.790    | 0.849       | 0.895        | 0.793    | <b>0.895</b> | 0.211              | 0.110    | 0.123       | 0.074        | 0.176    | <b>0.074</b> |
| fortress | 29.08           | 29.09        | 29.05       | 31.18        | 28.13    | <b>31.43</b> | 0.823           | 0.820    | 0.850       | 0.918        | 0.820    | <b>0.918</b> | 0.132              | 0.150    | 0.087       | 0.046        | 0.126    | <b>0.046</b> |
| horns    | 22.78           | 23.03        | 24.96       | <b>28.46</b> | 24.17    | 27.51        | 0.727           | 0.730    | 0.831       | <b>0.913</b> | 0.799    | 0.903        | 0.298              | 0.290    | 0.144       | <b>0.070</b> | 0.194    | 0.076        |
| leaves   | 18.78           | 19.72        | 19.03       | <b>21.28</b> | 18.85    | 20.32        | 0.537           | 0.610    | 0.737       | <b>0.807</b> | 0.649    | 0.758        | 0.353              | 0.270    | 0.289       | <b>0.137</b> | 0.313    | 0.156        |
| orchids  | 19.45           | 19.37        | 18.52       | <b>20.83</b> | 17.78    | 20.26        | 0.574           | 0.570    | 0.573       | <b>0.722</b> | 0.506    | 0.693        | 0.291              | 0.260    | 0.259       | <b>0.142</b> | 0.352    | 0.151        |
| room     | <b>31.95</b>    | 31.90        | 28.81       | 31.05        | 27.50    | 31.09        | 0.940           | 0.940    | 0.926       | <b>0.950</b> | 0.901    | 0.947        | 0.099              | 0.130    | 0.099       | <b>0.060</b> | 0.142    | 0.063        |
| trex     | 22.55           | 22.86        | 23.51       | <b>26.52</b> | 22.70    | 22.82        | 0.767           | 0.800    | 0.818       | <b>0.905</b> | 0.783    | 0.848        | 0.206              | 0.190    | 0.160       | <b>0.074</b> | 0.207    | 0.120        |

Table 1. Quantitative results of novel view synthesis on LLFF [26] forward-facing dataset. For IBRNet [46] and our method, the results with ( $\checkmark$ ) and without ( $\times$ ) per-scene fine-tuning are given.

| Scenes                       | fern | flower | fortress | horns | leaves | orchids | room  | trex  |
|------------------------------|------|--------|----------|-------|--------|---------|-------|-------|
| Rotation ( $\times$ )        | 9.96 | 16.74  | 2.18     | 6.076 | 12.98  | 5.904   | 8.761 | 10.09 |
| Rotation ( $\checkmark$ )    | 0.89 | 1.39   | 0.586    | 0.819 | 4.63   | 1.164   | 0.530 | 1.057 |
| translation ( $\times$ )     | 2.00 | 1.56   | 1.06     | 2.45  | 2.56   | 5.13    | 5.48  | 8.05  |
| translation ( $\checkmark$ ) | 0.34 | 0.32   | 0.23     | 0.29  | 0.85   | 0.57    | 0.36  | 0.46  |

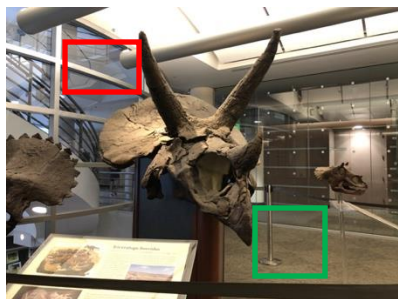
Table 2. Quantitative results of camera pose accuracy on LLFF [26] forward-facing dataset. Rotation (degree) and translation (scaled by  $10^2$ , without known absolute scale) errors with ( $\checkmark$ ) and without ( $\times$ ) per-scene fine-tuning are given.

# Novel View Synthesis

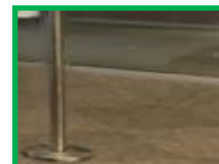
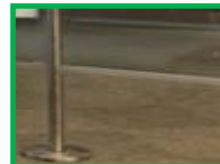
Comparable Results Compared to NeRF with GT Poses



flower



horns



Ground Truth

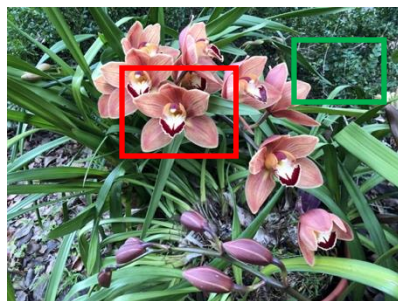
BARF

IBRNet

Ours

# Novel View Synthesis

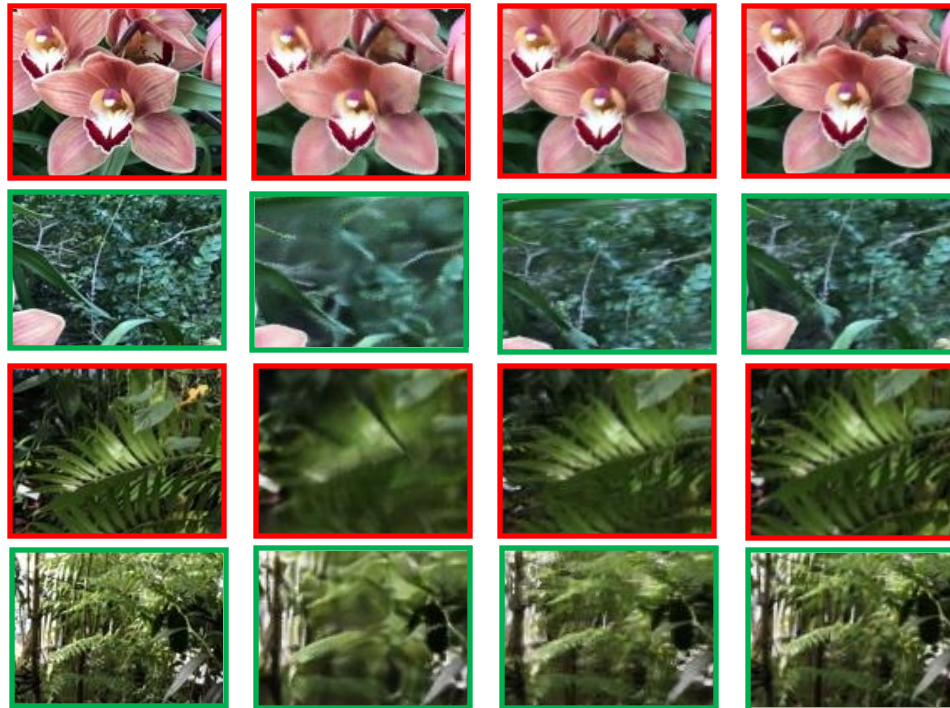
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orchids



leaves



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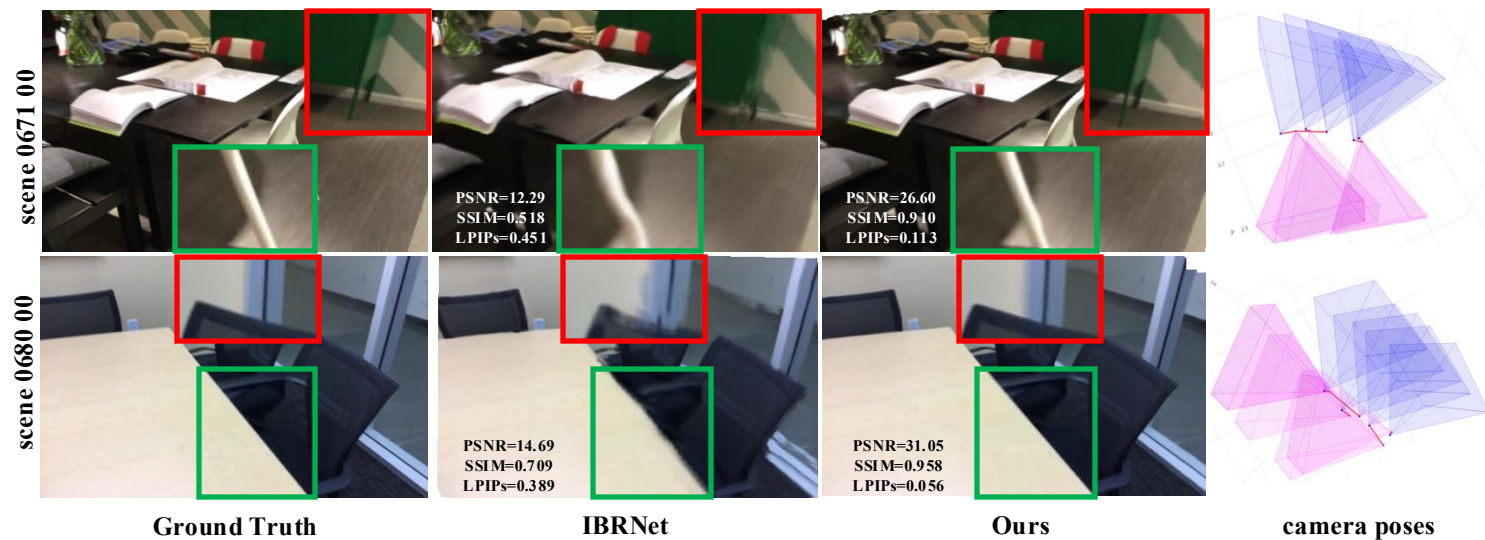
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# Novel View Synthesis

When **poor camera poses** are provided to NeRF - ScanNet



# Novel View Synthesis

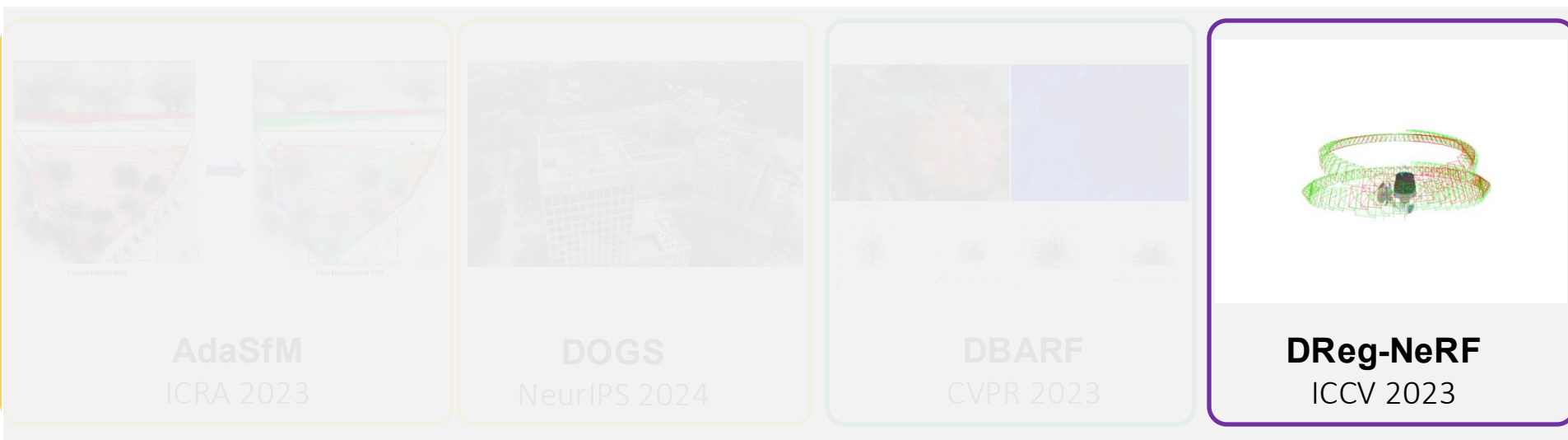
When **poor camera poses** are provided to NeRF - ScanNet

| Scenes       | PSNR $\uparrow$ |       | SSIM $\uparrow$ |       | LPIPS $\downarrow$ |       |
|--------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
|              | IBRNet [6]      | Ours  | IBRNet [6]      | Ours  | IBRNet [6]         | Ours  |
| scene0671-00 | 12.29           | 26.60 | 0.518           | 0.910 | 0.451              | 0.113 |
| scene0673-03 | 11.31           | 23.56 | 0.457           | 0.859 | 0.615              | 0.156 |
| scene0675-00 | 10.55           | 19.95 | 0.590           | 0.875 | 0.589              | 0.207 |
| scene0680-00 | 14.69           | 31.05 | 0.709           | 0.958 | 0.389              | 0.056 |
| scene0684-00 | 18.46           | 33.61 | 0.737           | 0.975 | 0.296              | 0.052 |
| scene0675-01 | 10.33           | 23.56 | 0.595           | 0.899 | 0.548              | 0.166 |
| scene0684-01 | 14.69           | 33.01 | 0.678           | 0.967 | 0.426              | 0.056 |

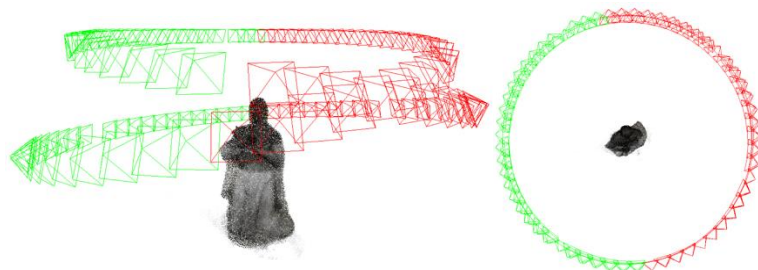
**Quantitative results of novel view synthesis on ScanNet dataset after finetuning.**

# Part #3

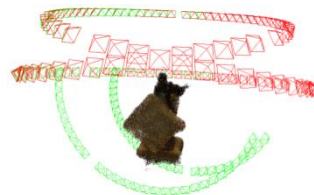
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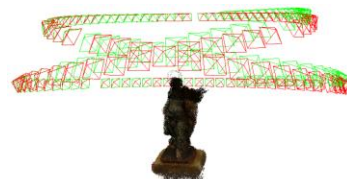
# NeRF Registration



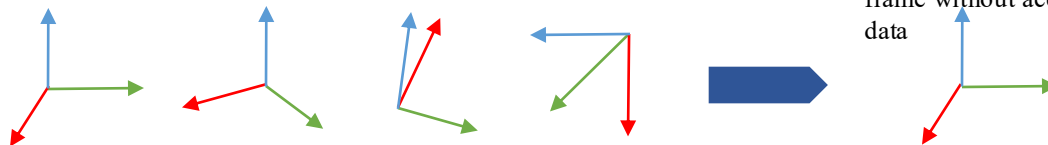
(a) Objaverse



(b) NeRF models are trained in different coordinate frames



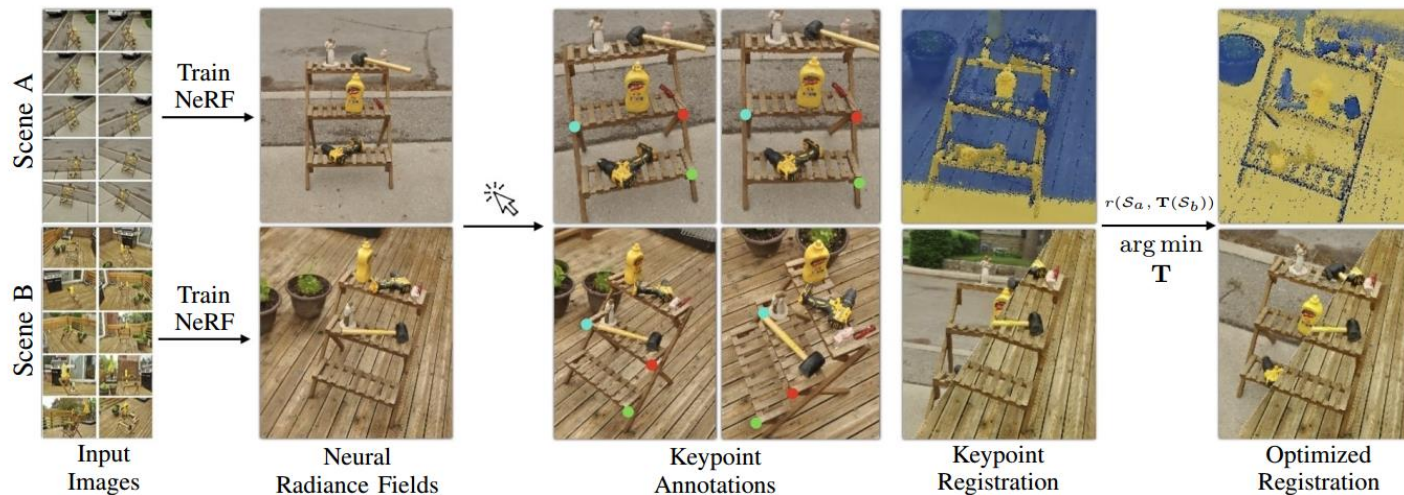
(c) DReg-NeRF aligns NeRF blocks into the same coordinate frame without accessing raw image data



Register a pair of NeRF models that are trained in different coordinate frames into a same coordinate frame

# Seminal Work

## nerf2nerf: Pairwise Registration of Neural Radiance Fields



### 🐛 Limitations

- 🐛 Initialized from human annotated keypoints
- 🐛 Based on traditional optimization method

# Key Idea

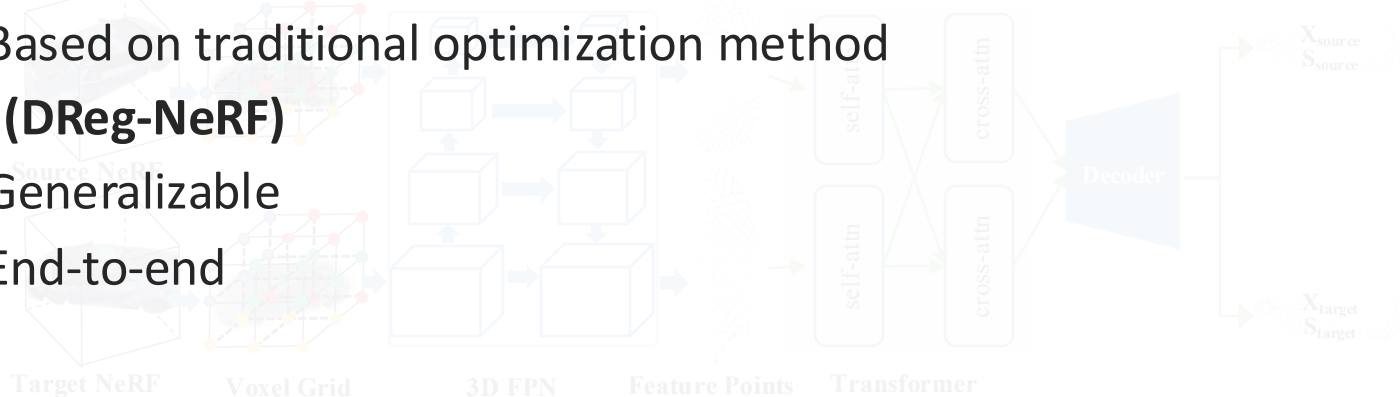
Data Driven; End-to-End

## NeRF2NeRF

- Initialized from human annotated keypoints
- Based on traditional optimization method

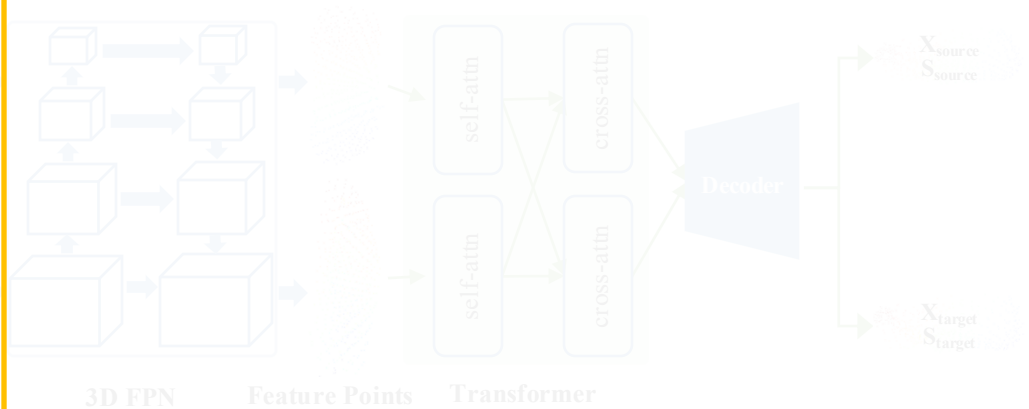
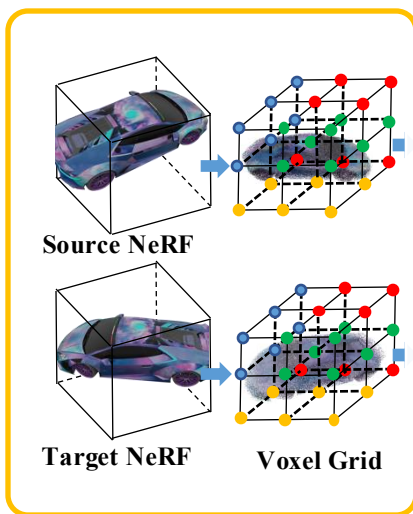
## Ours (DReg-NeRF)

- Generalizable
- End-to-end



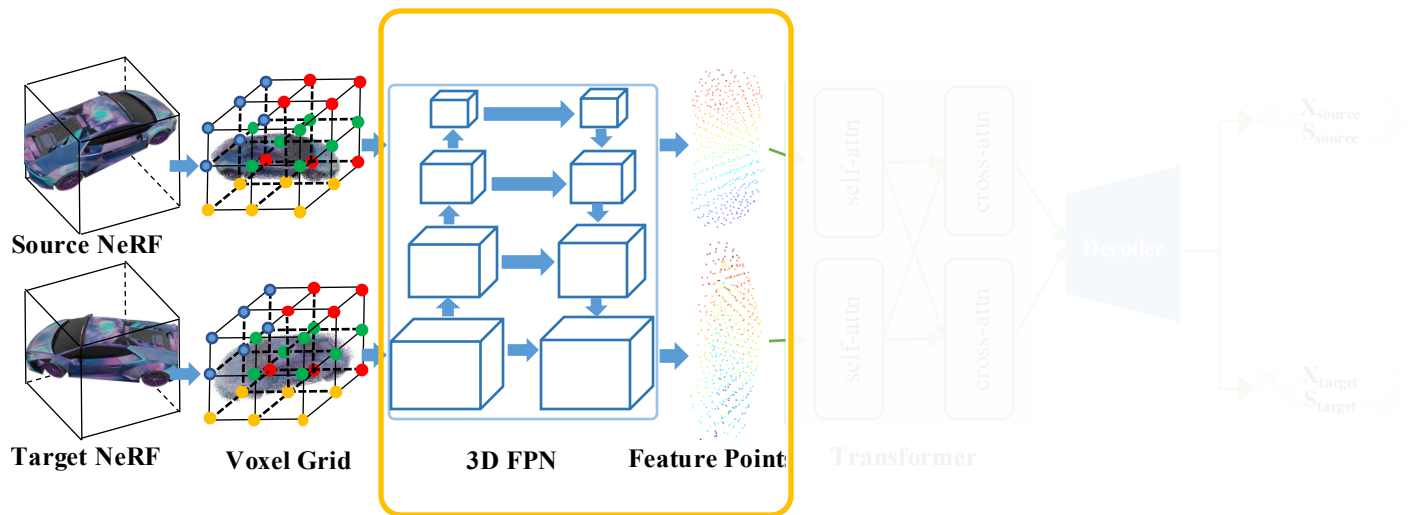
# Key Idea

Data Driven; End-to-End



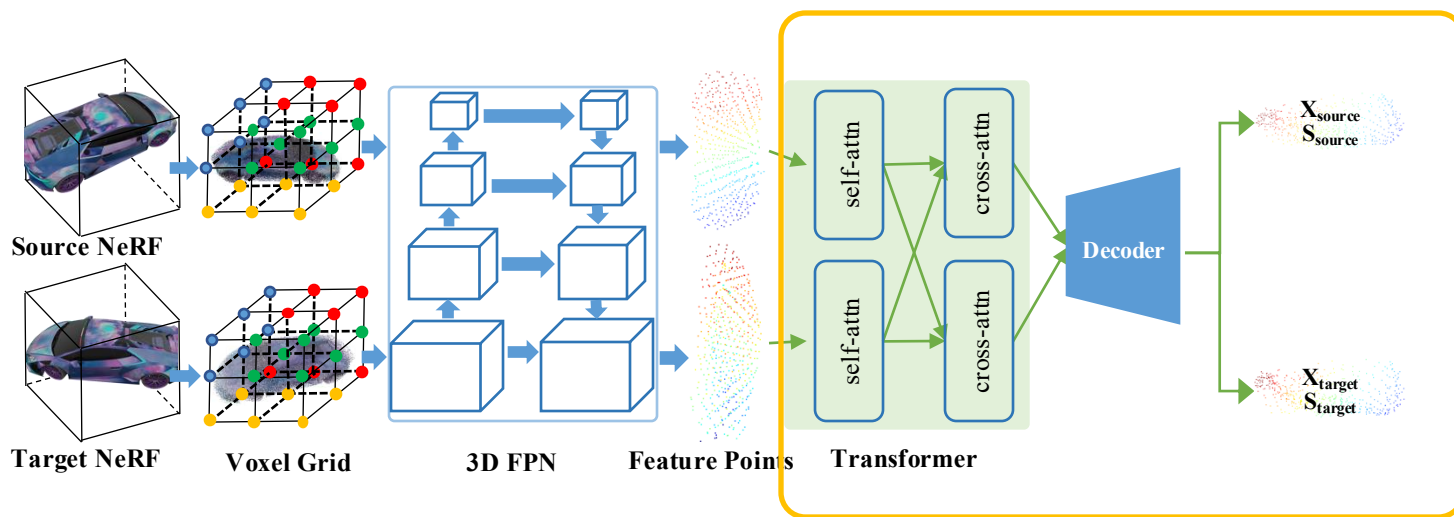
# Key Idea

## NeRF Feature Extraction



# Key Idea

## Enhanced Feature with Transformer



# Dataset Construction

## Absence of Training Data for NeRF Registration

### NeRF2NeRF

-  Not data driven
-  Contain only 6 synthesized scenes

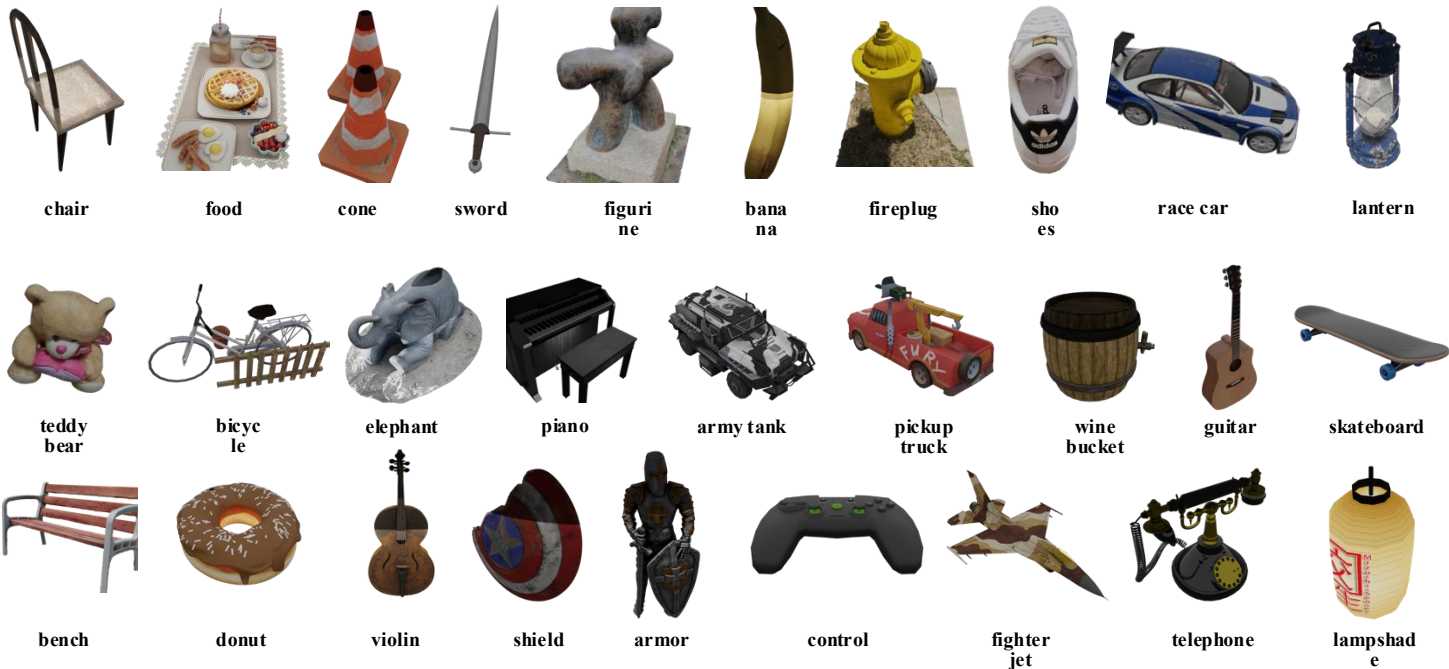


# Objaverse-XL

[illegible]

# Dataset Construction

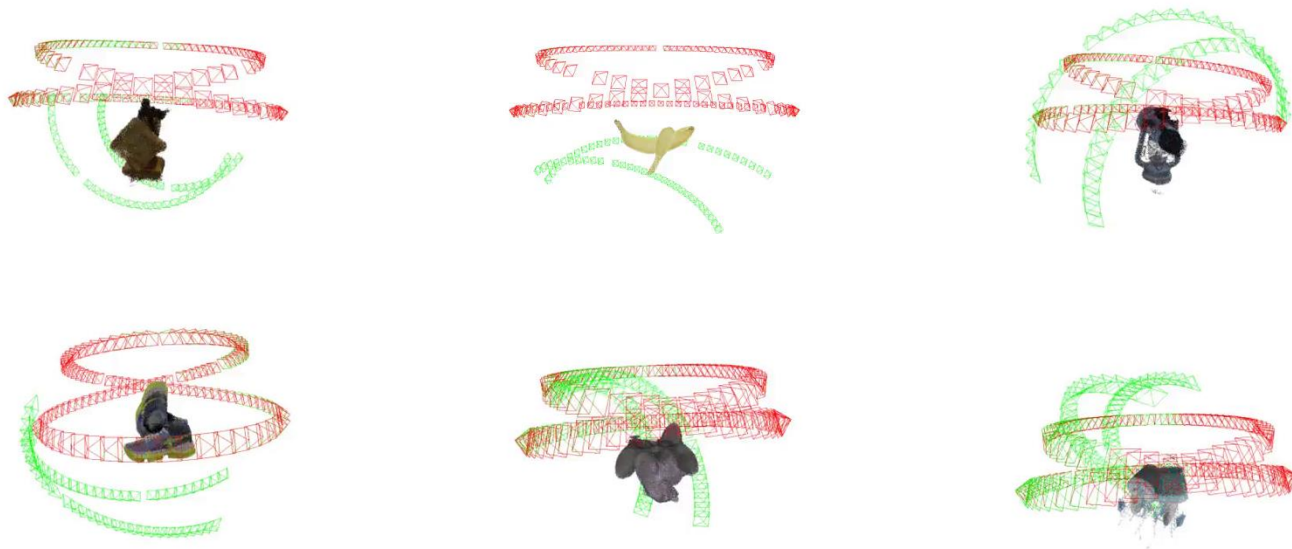
Selected 30+ categories, each category contains 40-80 objects



- 🧠 Collected **1700+ 3D objects** from Objaverse dataset
- 🧠 Render **120 images** from distinct view points per object with **blender**
- 🧠 Take one week with 8 concurrent processes

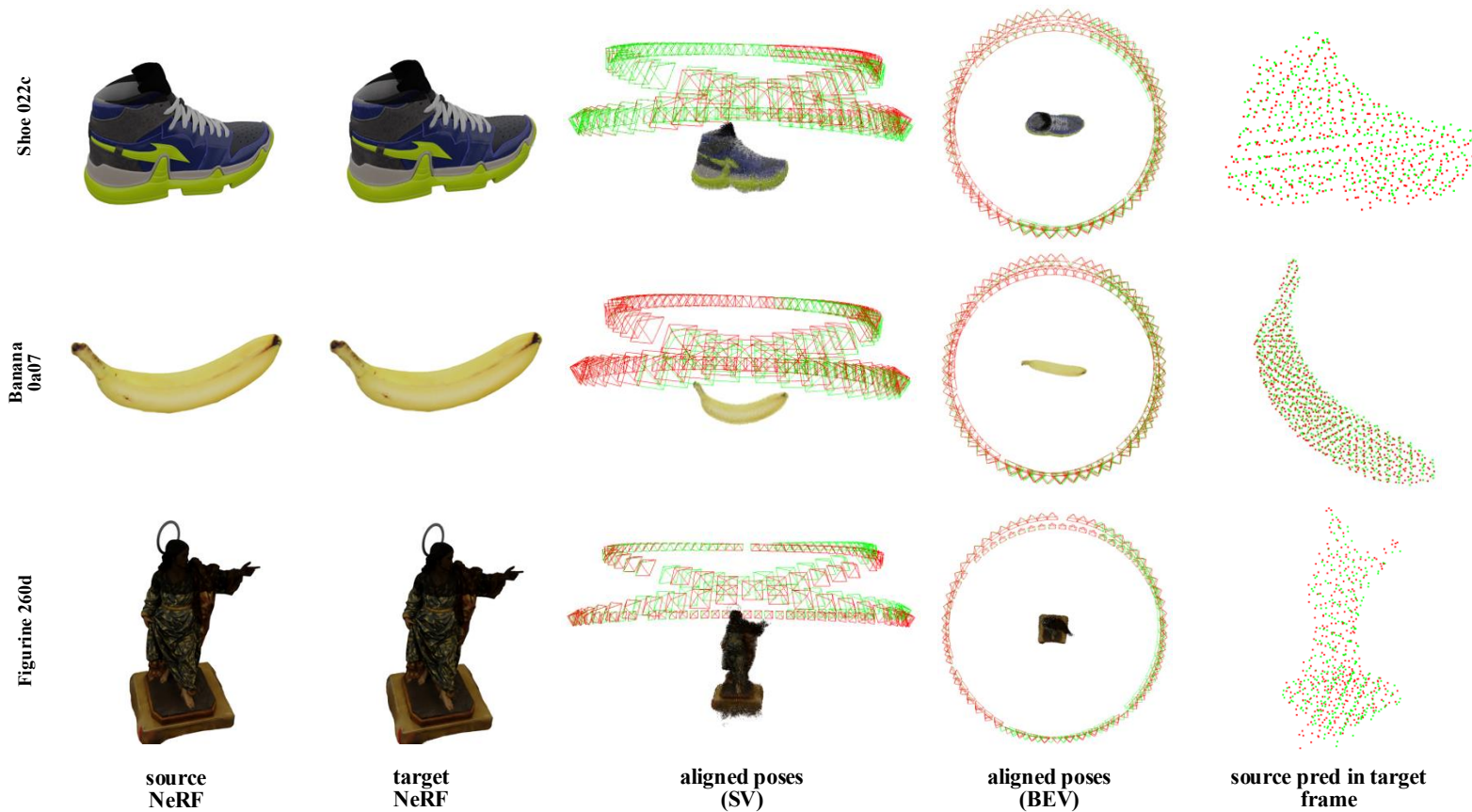
# Dataset Construction

Trained 1,700+ pairwise NeRF models

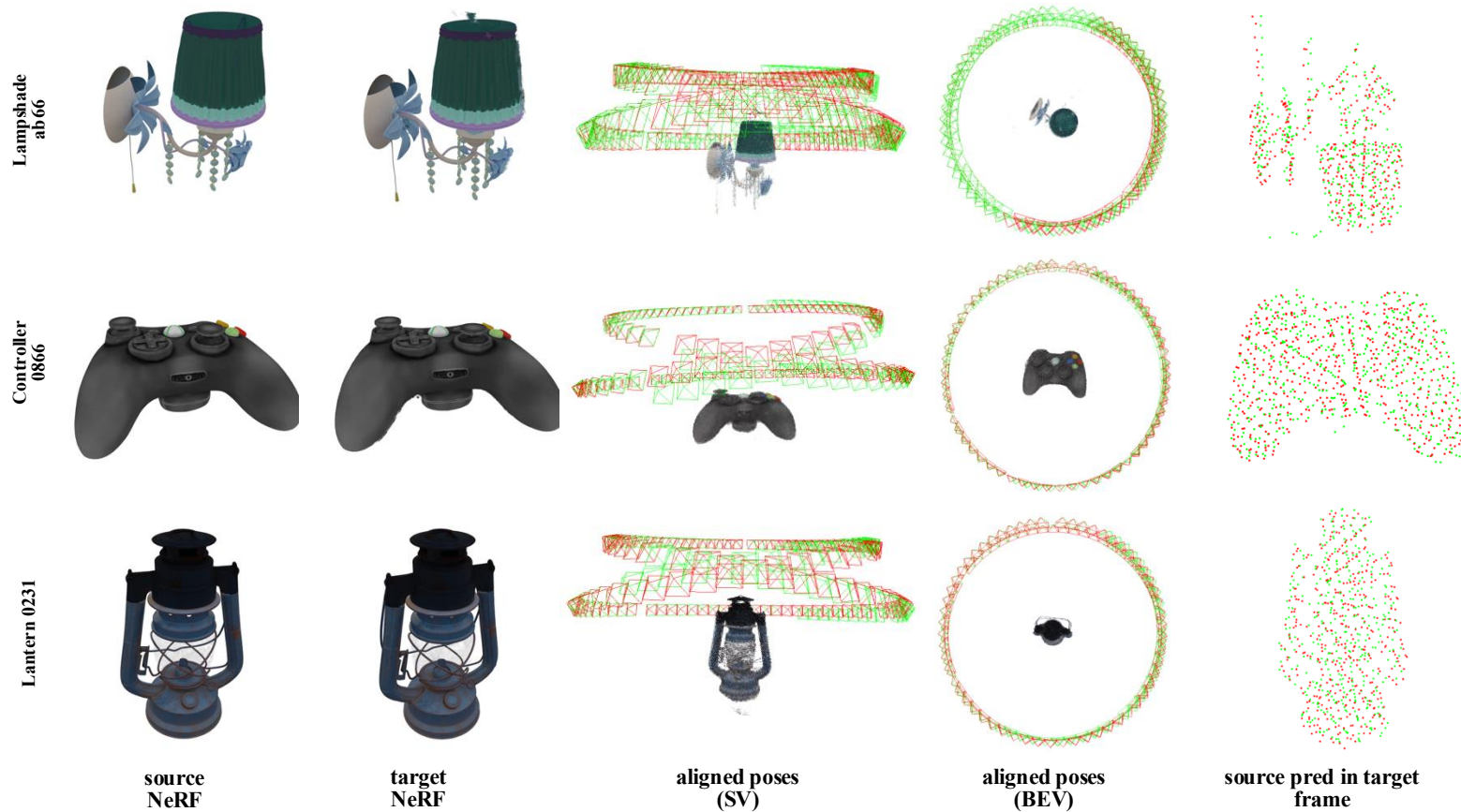


- 🔗 Trained 1700+ pairwise NeRF models with the collected objects
  - 🔗 Images are split into two blocks by KMeans
  - 🔗 Perturb the coordinate frame with a randomly generated 3D transformation
  - 🔗 Take one week with a 4090 GPU

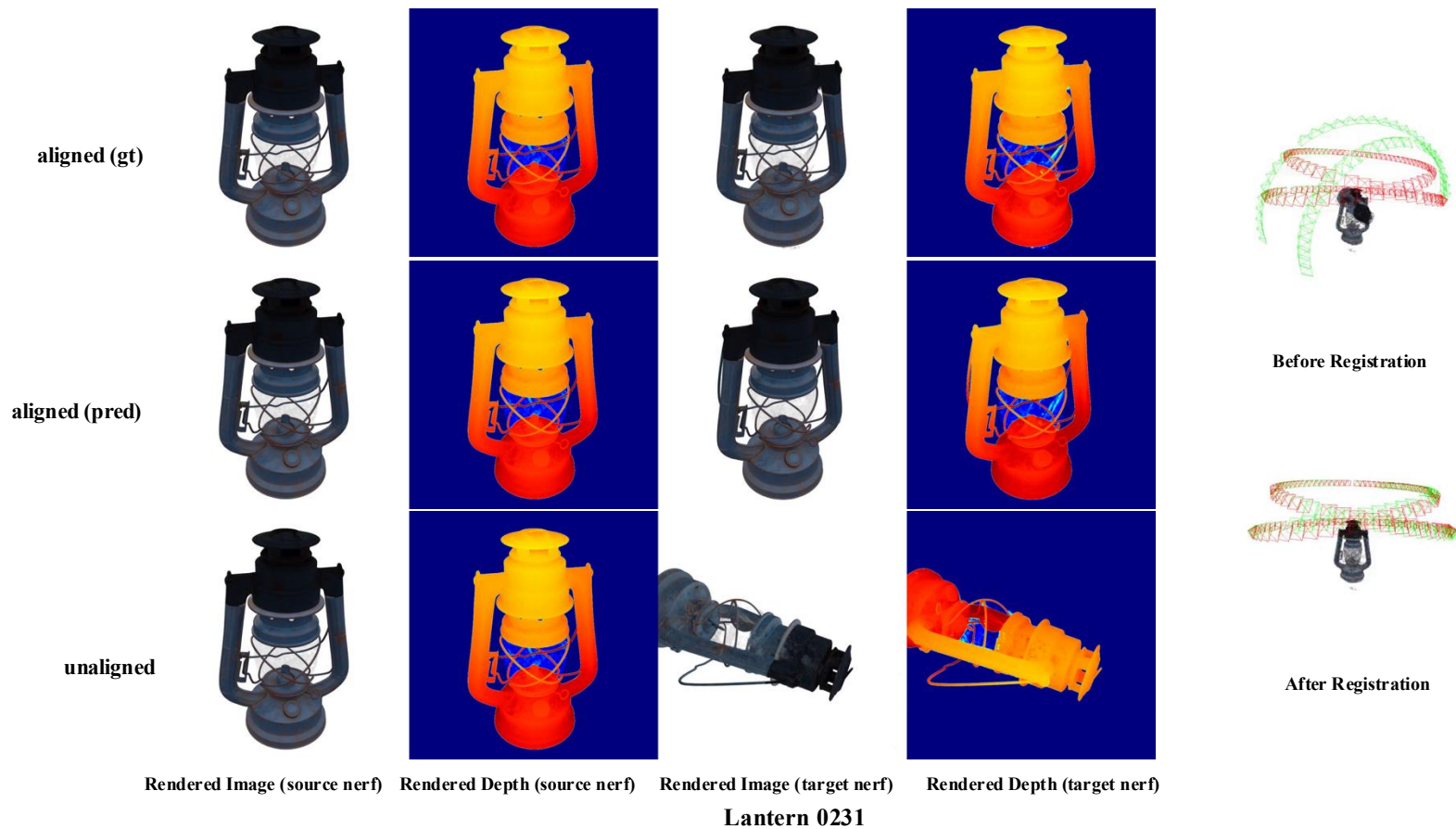
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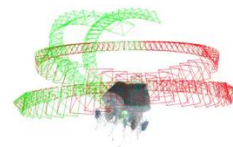
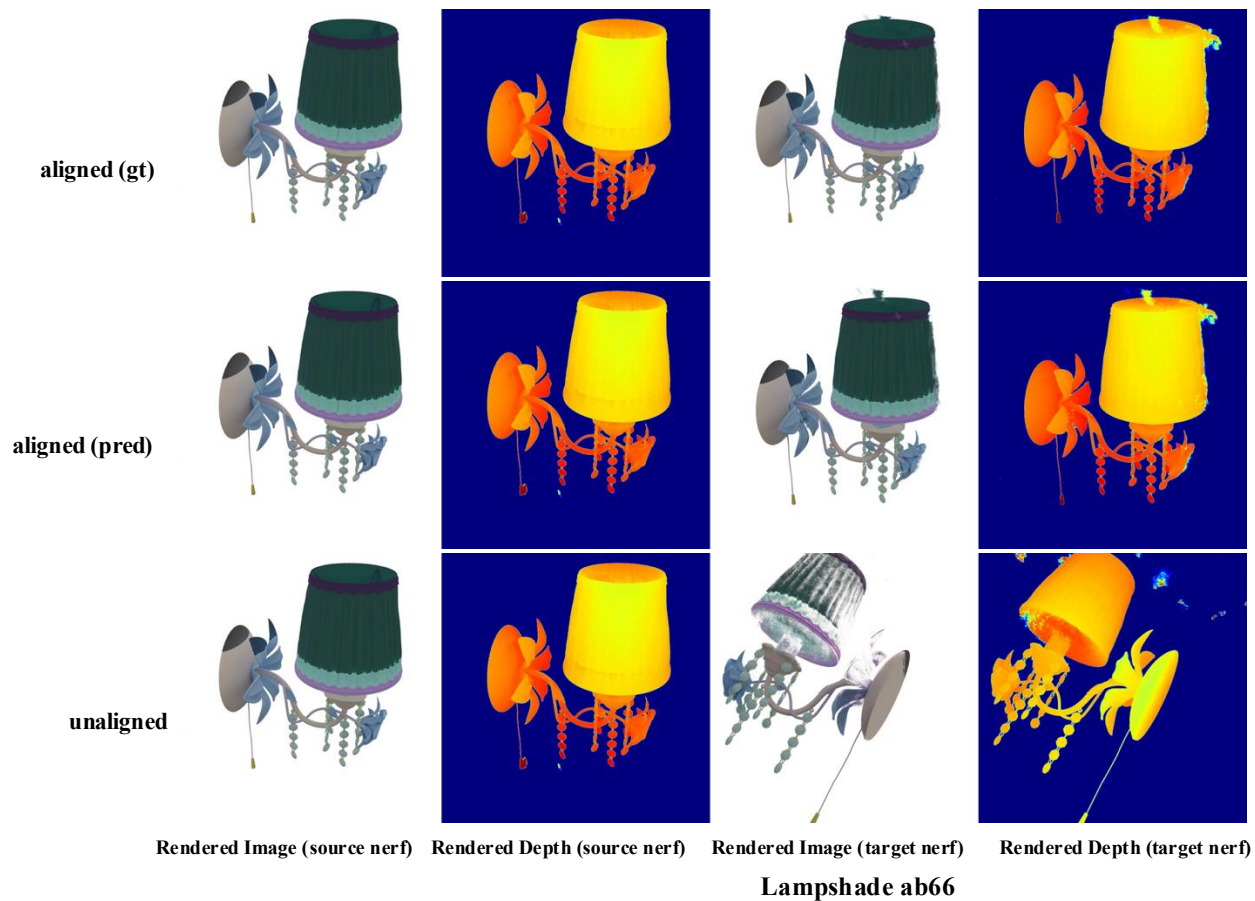
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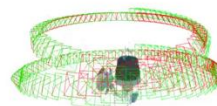
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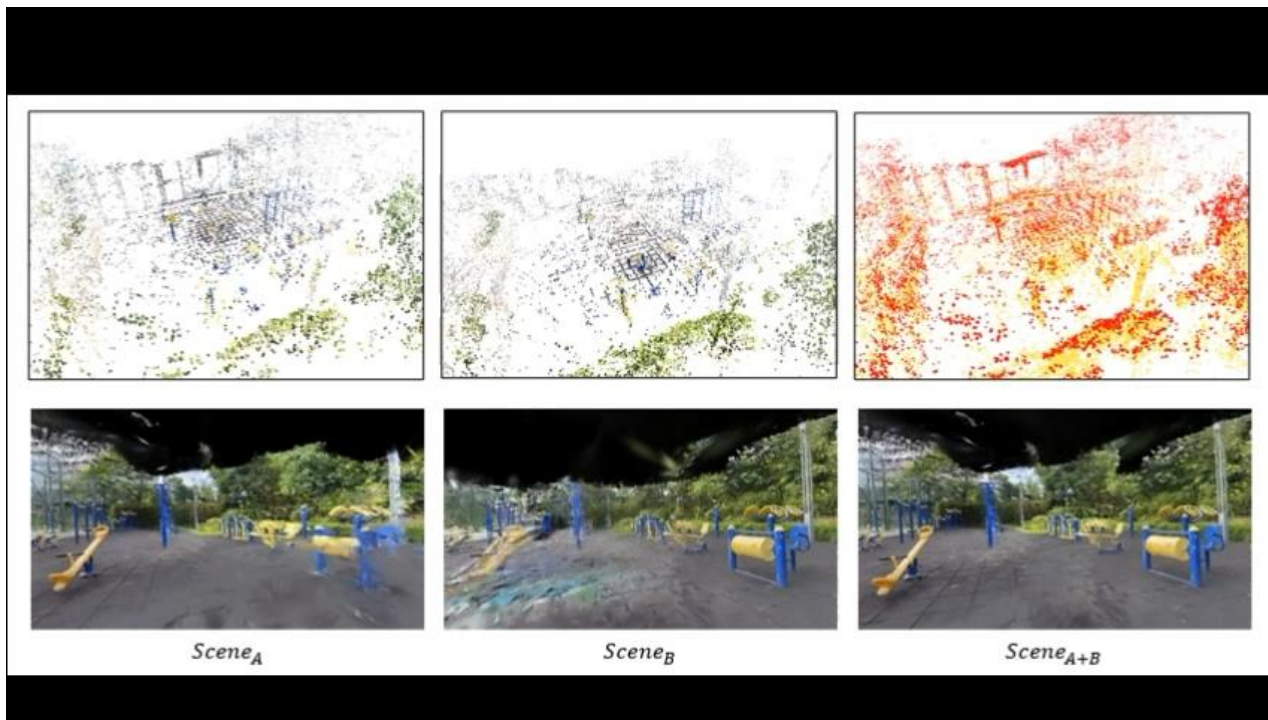
Before Registration



After Registration

# Inspired Follow-up Work

## GaussReg – Scene Level

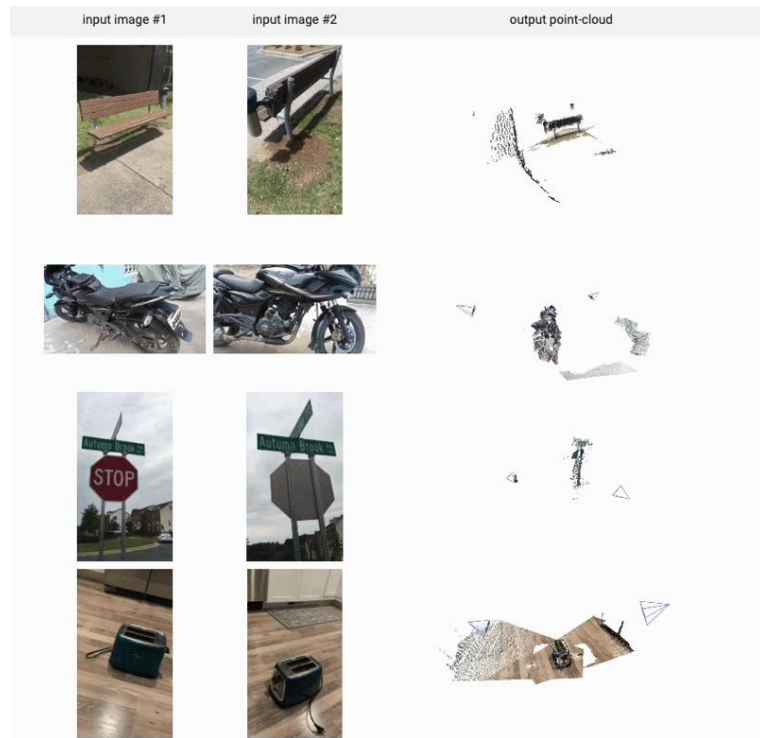


# What is Next?

From 3D reconstruction to 3D foundation model

# From DUS<sub>t</sub>3R to VGGT

## Two Views to Multiple Views



DUS<sub>t</sub>3R

32 Views



VGGT

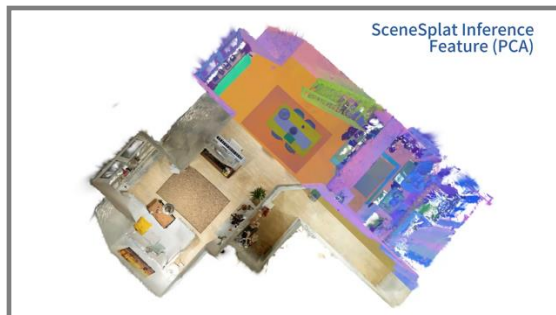
- Shuzhe Wang, *et.al.* DUS<sub>t</sub>3R: Geometric 3D Vision Made Easy. CVPR 2024
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# 3D Foundation Model

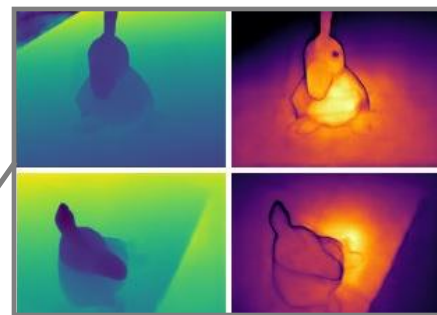
Camera Pose Estimation



Scene Understanding



Depth Estimation



Unconstrained  
image collections

Unified Model



Dense Reconstruction



Scene Generation

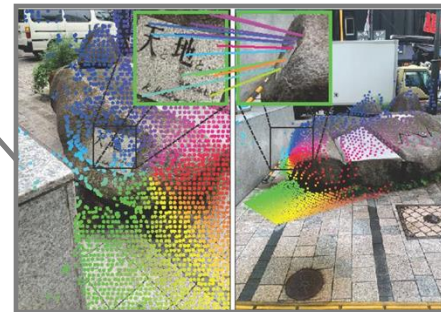
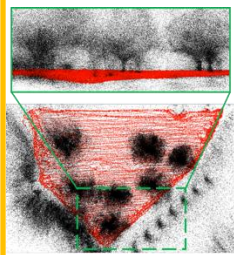


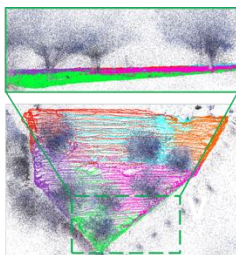
Image Matching

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Coarse Global SfM



Fine Incremental SfM

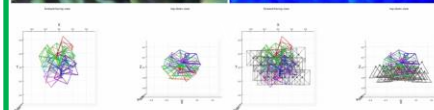


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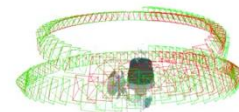
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