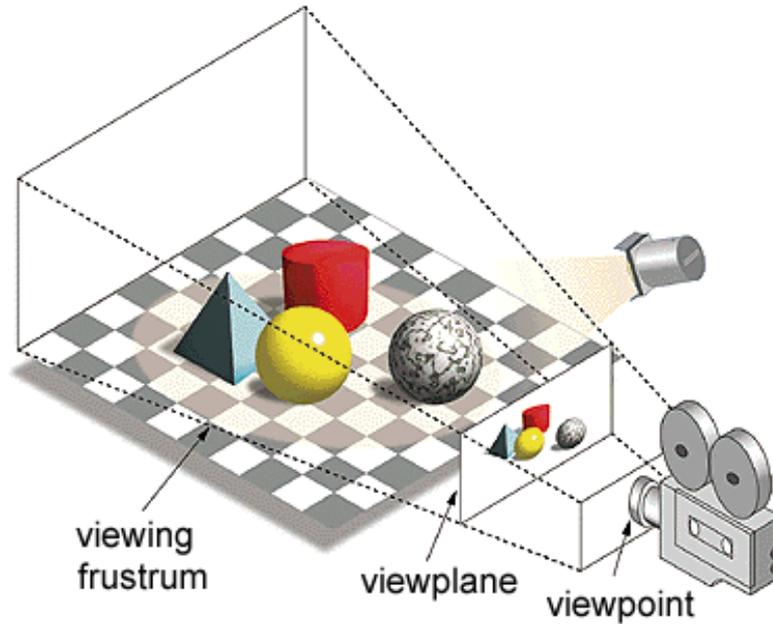


# Neural Rendering

# Rendering

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- 3D Scene:
- Material
  - Lighting
  - Geometry  
(incl. animation)



Camera Def.

- Intrinsic
- Often:
  - focal length
  - principal point

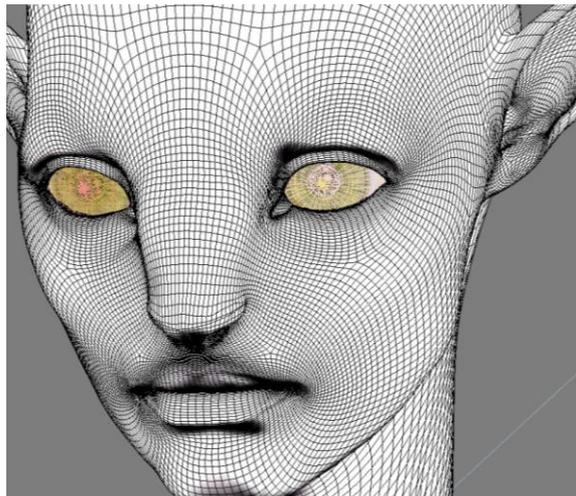
Camera View Point

- Extrinsic
- 6 DoF (3rot, 3trans)

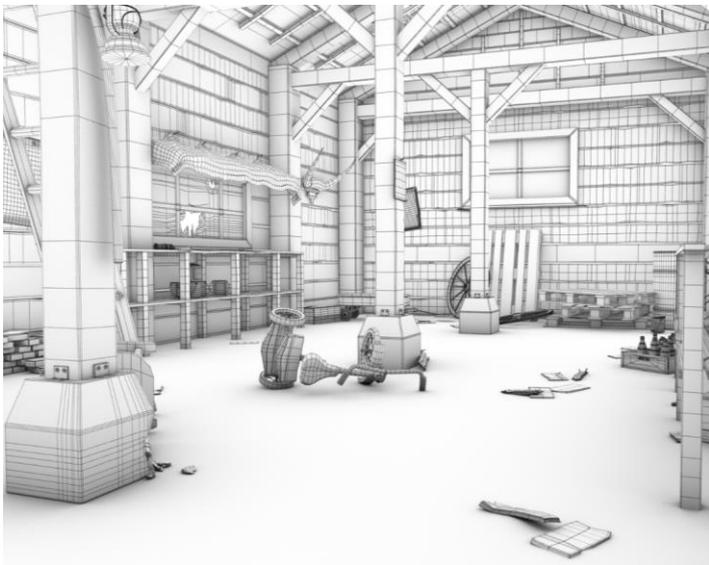
# Photo-realistic Image Synthesis

## The Rendering Equation [Kajiya 86]

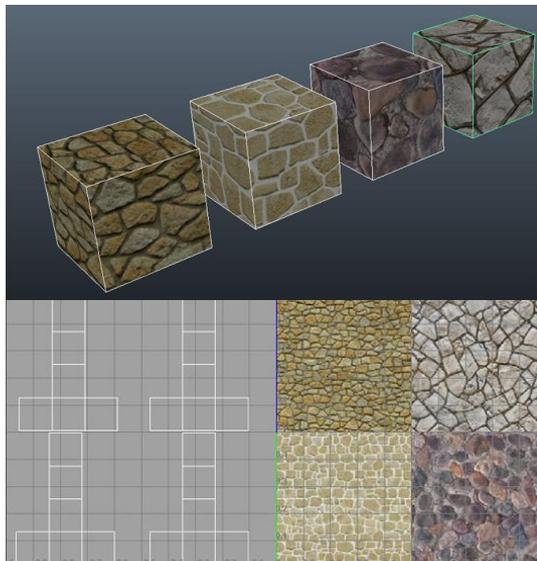
$$L_o(\mathbf{x}, \omega_o, \lambda, t) = L_e(\mathbf{x}, \omega_o, \lambda, t) + \int_{\Omega} f_r(\mathbf{x}, \omega_i, \omega_o, \lambda, t) L_i(\mathbf{x}, \omega_i, \lambda, t) (\omega_i \cdot \mathbf{n}) d\omega_i$$



# Need 3D Content for Rendering



Geometry

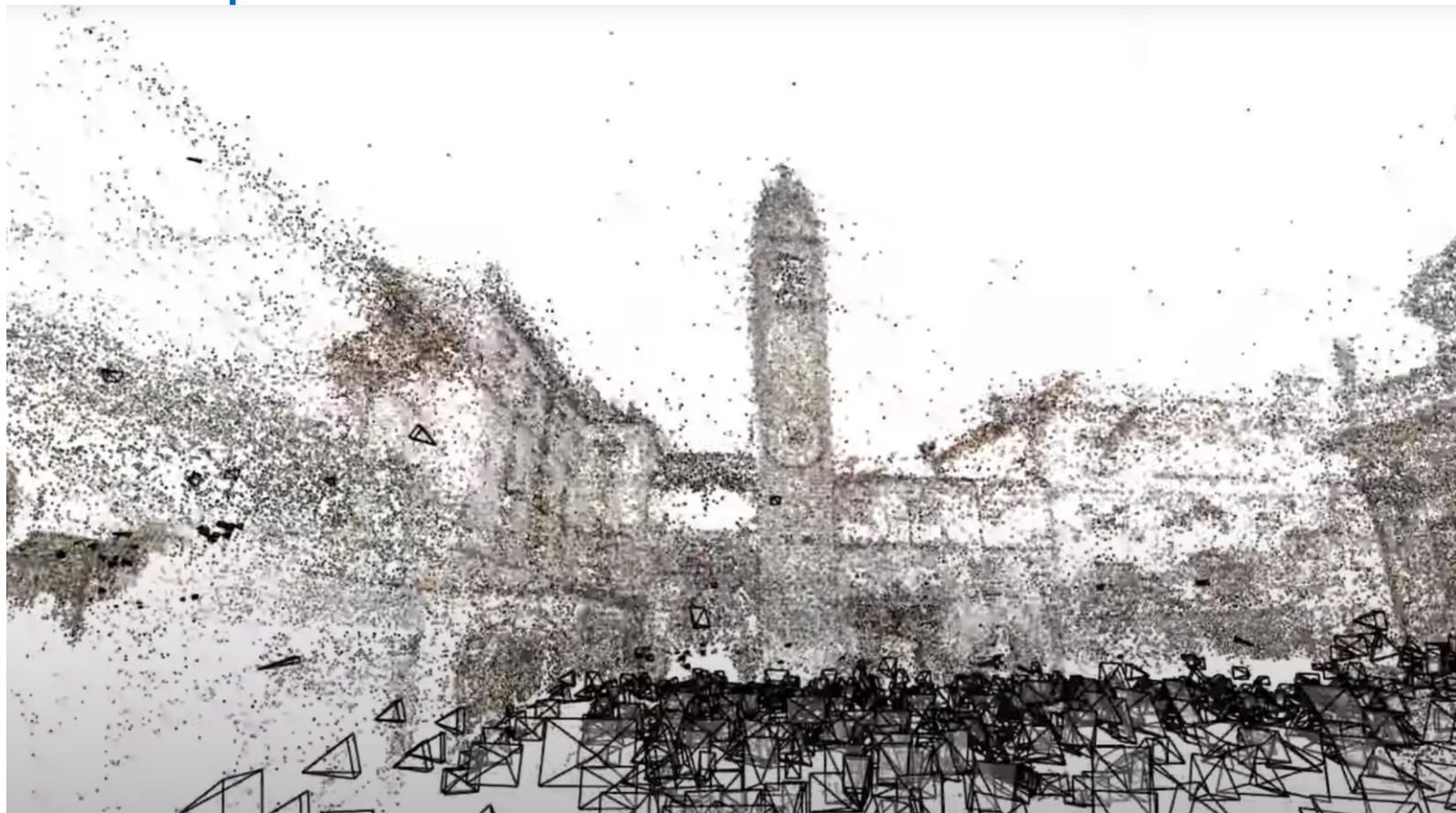


Textures



Material & Lighting

# Computer Vision for Reconstruction



Prof. Leal-Taixé and Prof. Niessner

ICCV'09 [Agarwal et al.]: Building Rome in a Day

# 3D Digitization



Computer Graphics



Computer Vision

# Traditional Graphics vs Deep Learning



3D Model + Textures + Shading -> Synthetic Image



## Generative Adversarial Networks



Discriminator loss

$$J^{(D)} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} \log D(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}} \log (1 - D(G(\mathbf{z})))$$

Generator loss

$$J^{(G)} = -J^{(D)}$$

# Idea of Neural Rendering

Novel View point synthesis:

6 DoF Camera  
Pose / View Point



Neural Network  
-> Encodes entire  
scene description,  
lighting, materials,  
etc.



# Neural Rendering with Pix2Pix

Ground truth for training

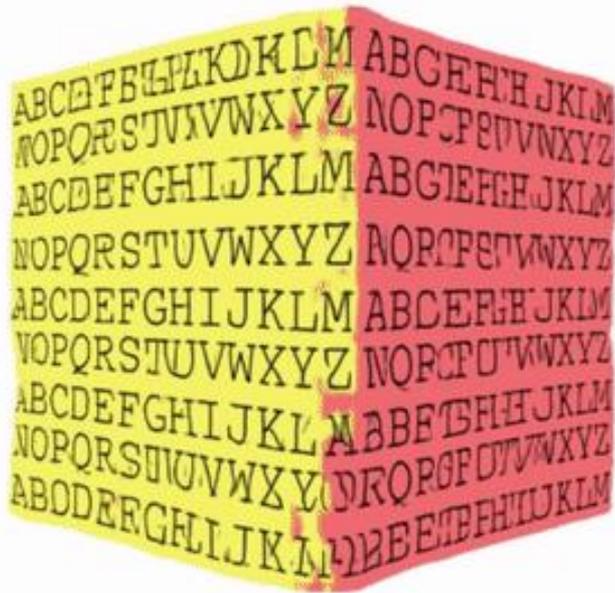
- Pose + Target Image (e.g., observed from real world)
- Constrain with re-rendering loss

Testing

- Given unseen pose, generate image

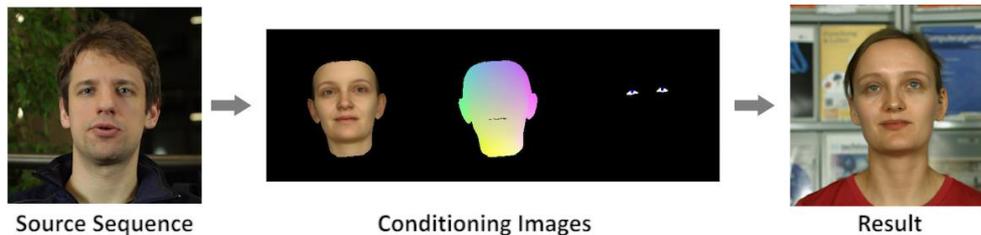
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Pix2Pix [Isola et al. 2017]

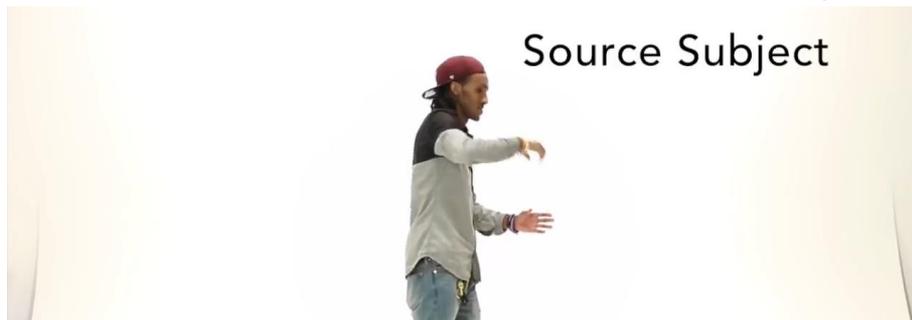


# Other Neural Rendering

- Conditioned on Faces (Deep Video Portraits)

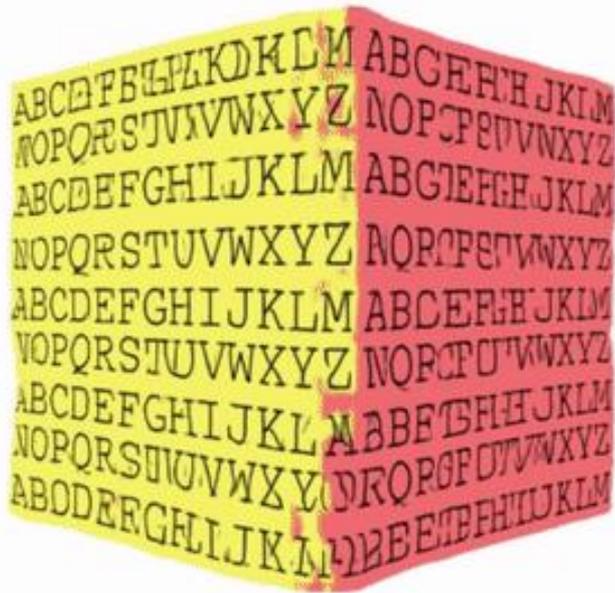


- Conditioned on Human Skeleton (Everybody Dance Now)



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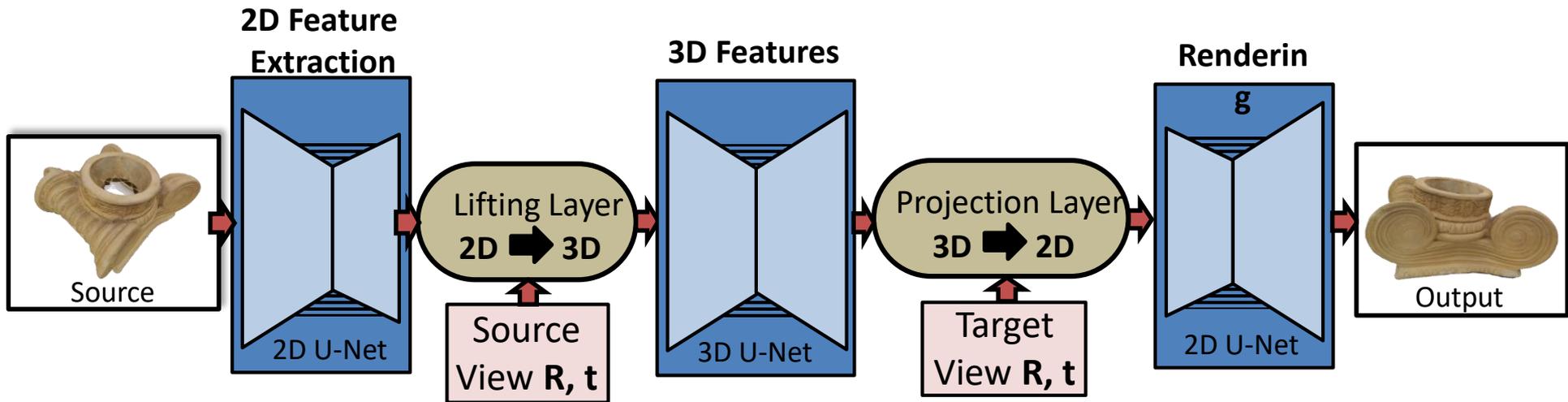


# Deep Voxels

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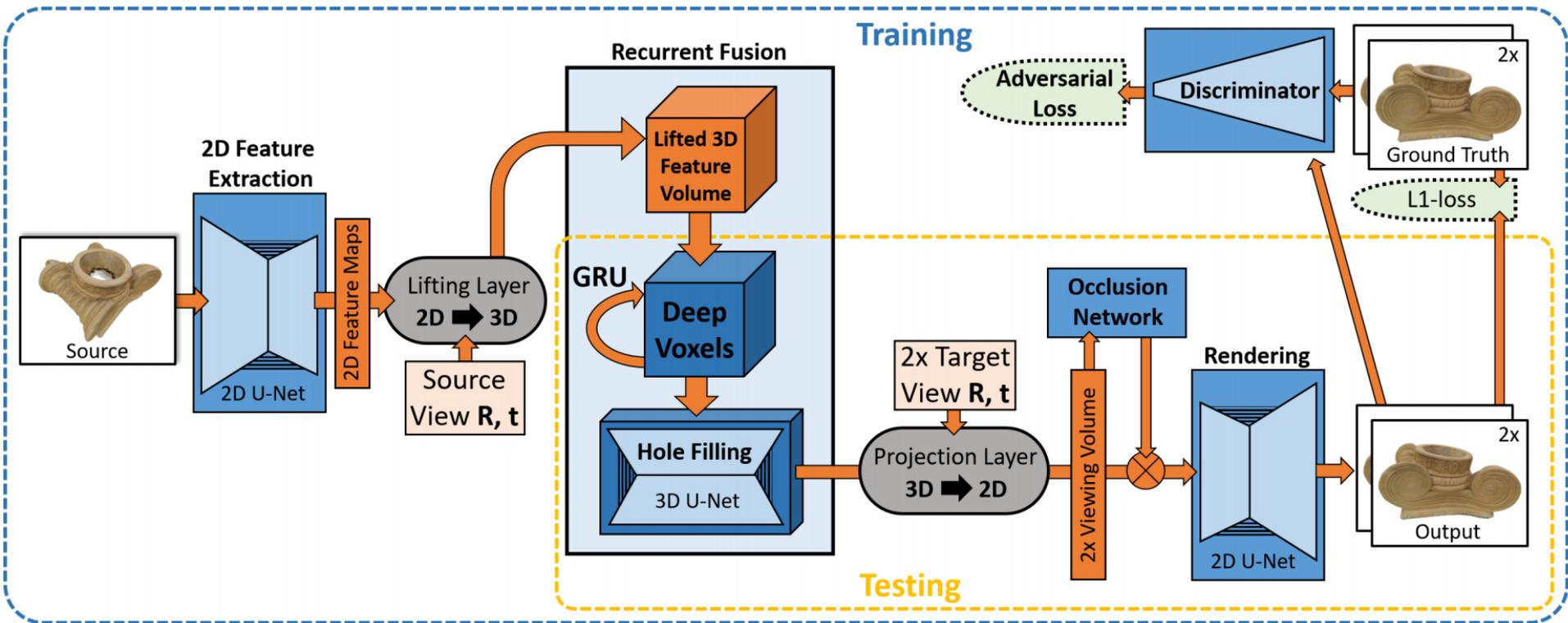
- Main idea for video generation:
  - Why learn 3D operations with 2D Convs !?!?
  - We know how 3D transformations work
    - E.g., 6 DoF rigid pose  $[R | t]$
  - Incorporate these into the architectures
    - Need to be differentiable!
  - Example application: novel view point synthesis
    - Given rigid pose, generate image for that view

# Deep Voxels



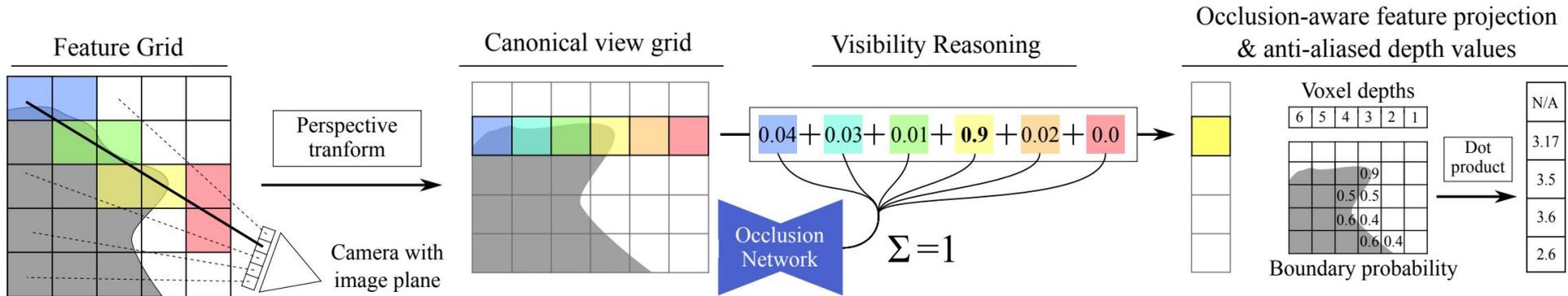
Simplified overview for novel view synthesis

# Deep Voxels



# Deep Voxels

Occlusion Network:



Issue: we don't know the depth for the target!

- > Per-pixel softmax along the ray
- > Network learns the depth

# Deep Voxels

DeepVoxels

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NOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
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Best Baseline: Pix2Pix [Isola et al. 2017]

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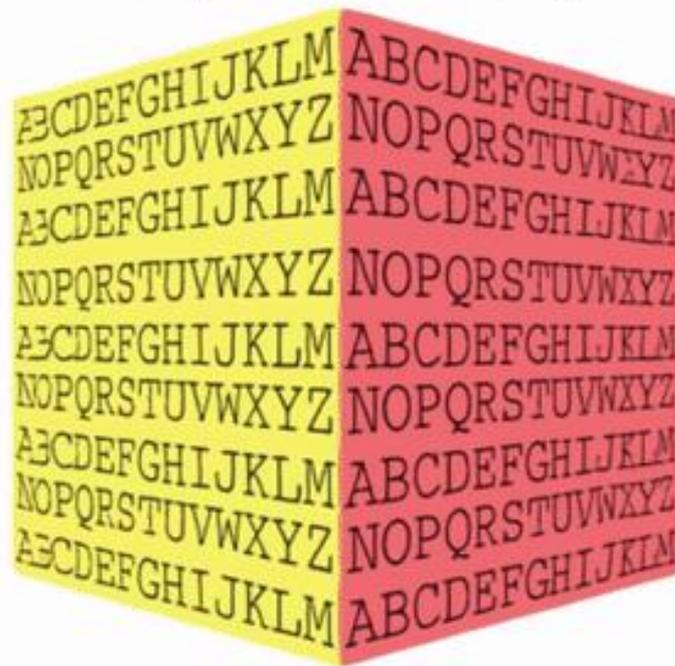


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Pix2Pix [Isola et al. 2017]



DeepVoxels (Ours)

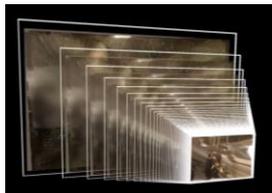


# Deep Voxels: Insights

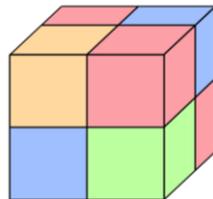
- Lifting from 2D to 3D works great
  - No need to take specific care for temp. coherency!
- All 3D operations are differentiable
- Currently, only for novel view-point synthesis
  - I.e., cGAN for new pose in a given scene
- But: limited resolution due to dense 3D voxel grid

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Scene  
Representa  
tion



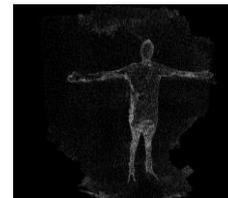
Multi-Plane Images



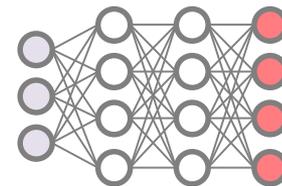
Voxelgrids



Image-based



Point Clouds



Implicit Function

Renderer

(Alpha) compositing

Volumetric  
Ray-based

Rasterization

Splatting

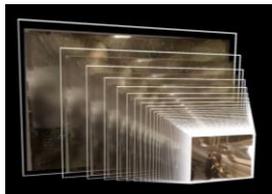
Sphere-Traced  
Volumetric

Scene Representation

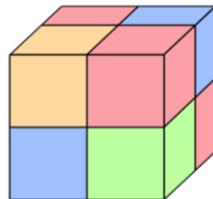
Differentiable Renderer

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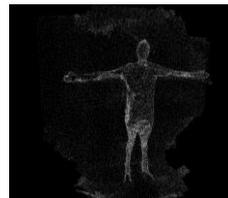
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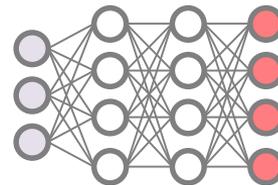
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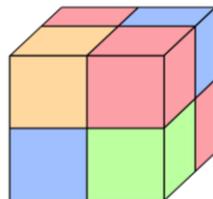
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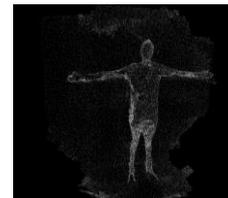
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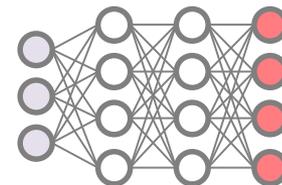
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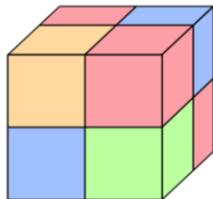
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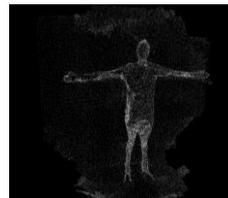
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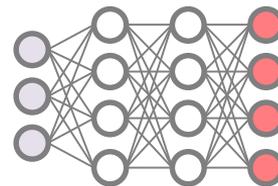
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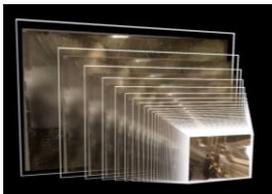
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High quality  
Generalizes

Cons

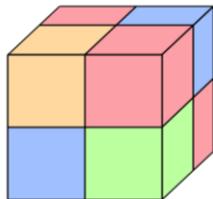
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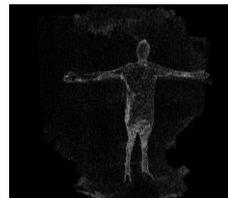
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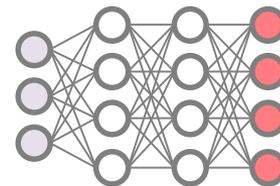
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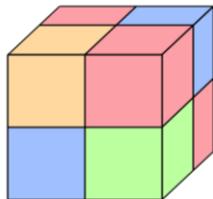
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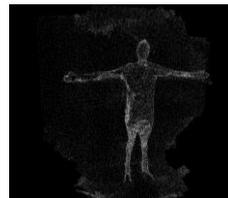
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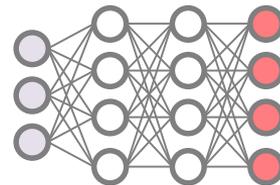
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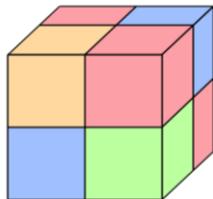
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Memory  $O(n^3)$

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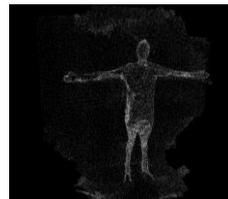
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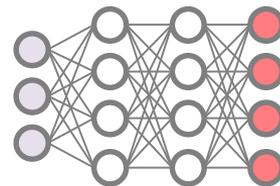
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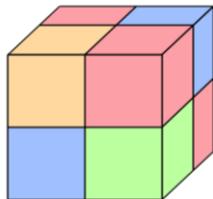
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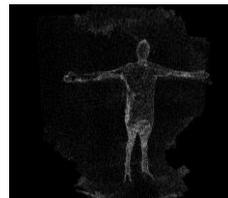
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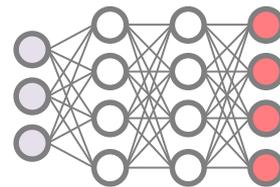
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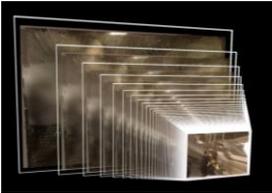
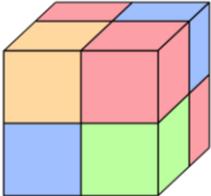
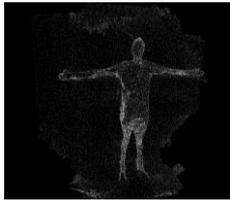
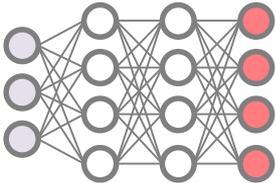
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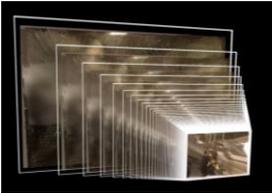
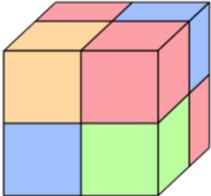
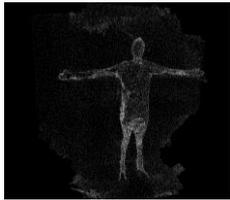
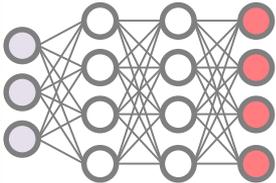
No reconstruction priors  
Memory  $O(n^3)$

Requires good SFM  
No compact representation

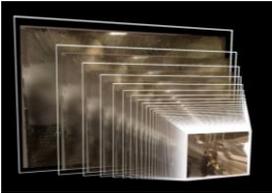
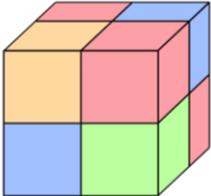
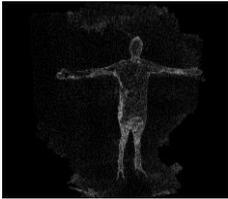
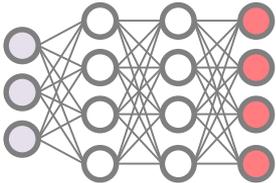
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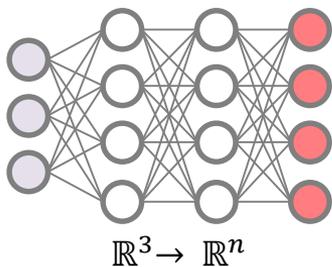
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# Scene Representation Networks

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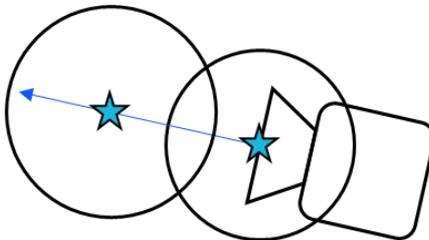
Scene  
Representa  
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ReLU MLP



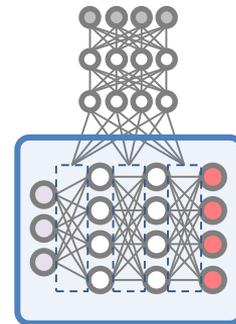
Renderer

Generalized (learned)  
sphere-tracing



Generalizati  
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Hypernetwork



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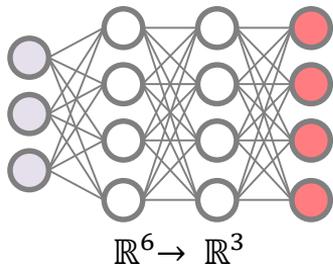
Full 3D Reconstruction from single image!

# NERF: Neural Radiance Fields

## Mildenhall et al., arXiv 2020

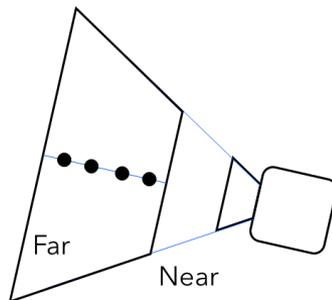
**Scene  
Representa  
tion**

ReLU MLP +  
Positional Encoding  
View Direction



**Renderer**

Volumetric,  
stratified sampling

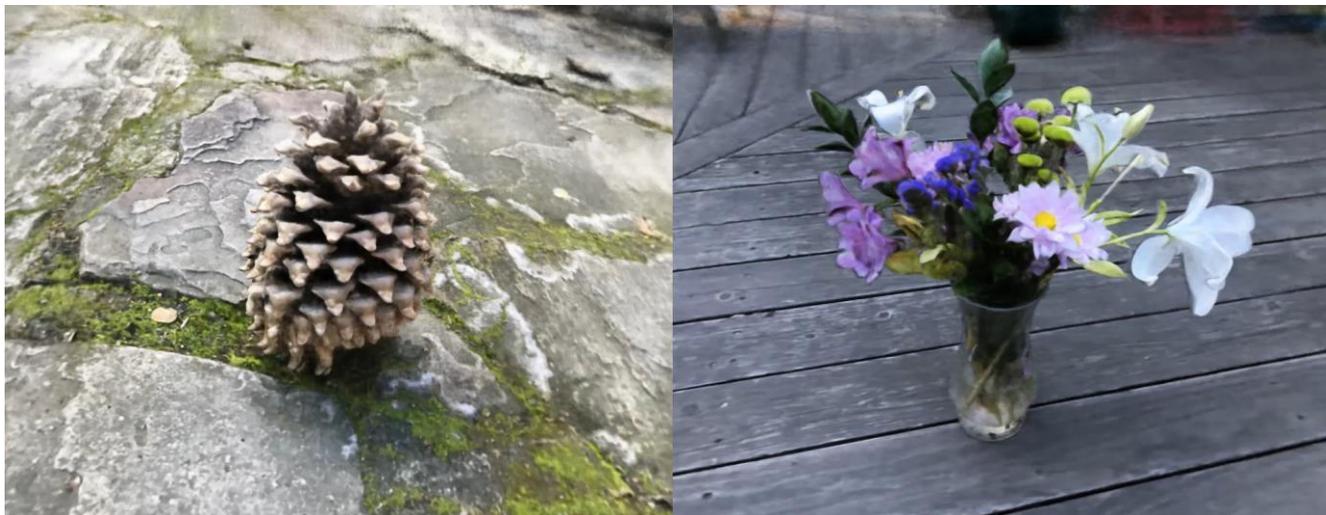


**Generalizati  
on**

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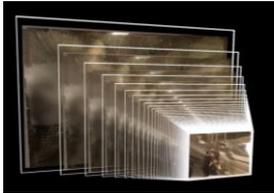
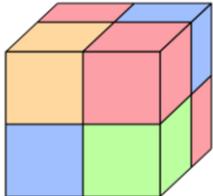
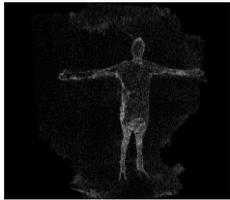
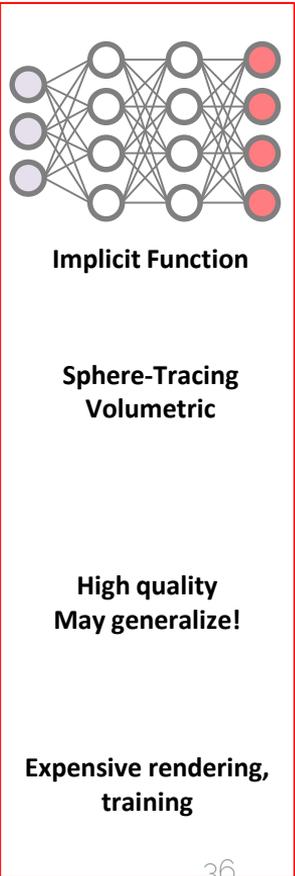
# NERF: Neural Radiance Fields

Mildenhall et al., arXiv 2020



Photorealistic, including view-dependence!  
(~100 images)

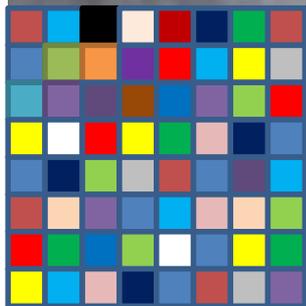
# Requirements

Scene Representation					
Renderer	(Alpha) compositing	Volumetric Ray-based	Rasterization	Splatting	Sphere-Tracing Volumetric
Pros	Fast rendering High quality Generalizes	"True 3D" High quality	High quality	High quality	High quality May generalize!
Cons	Only 2.5D Size	No reconstruction priors Memory $O(n^3)$	Requires good SFM No compact representation	Requires good SFM	Expensive rendering, training

# Neural Textures: Features on 3D Mesh

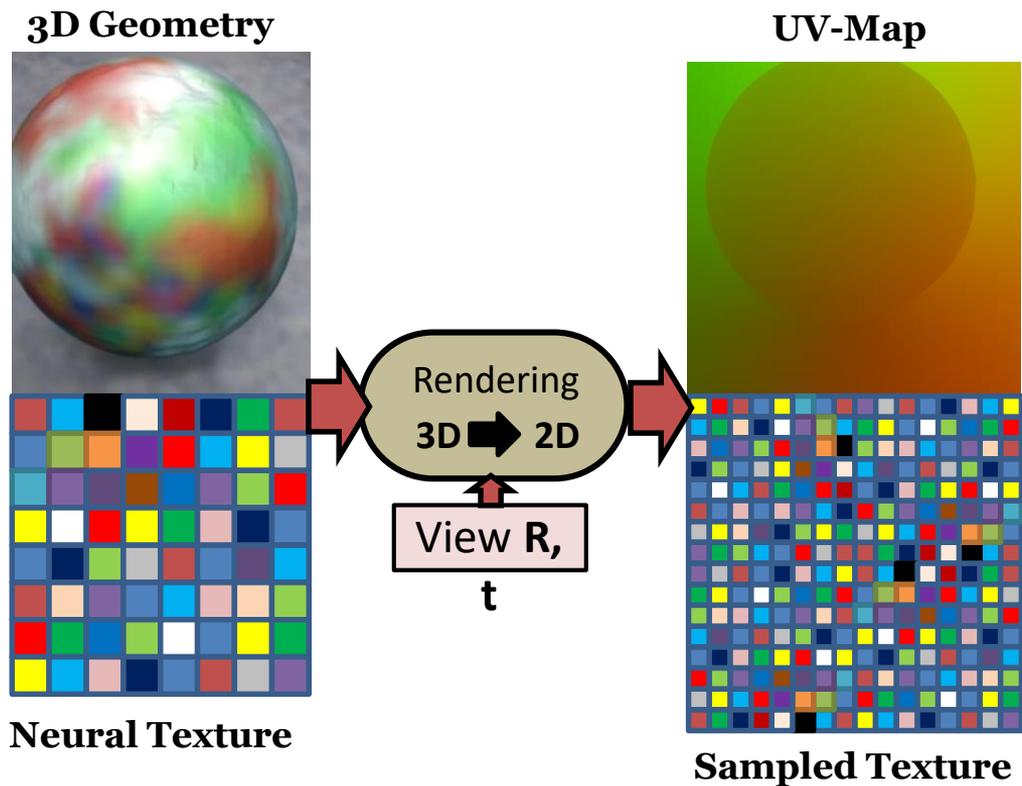
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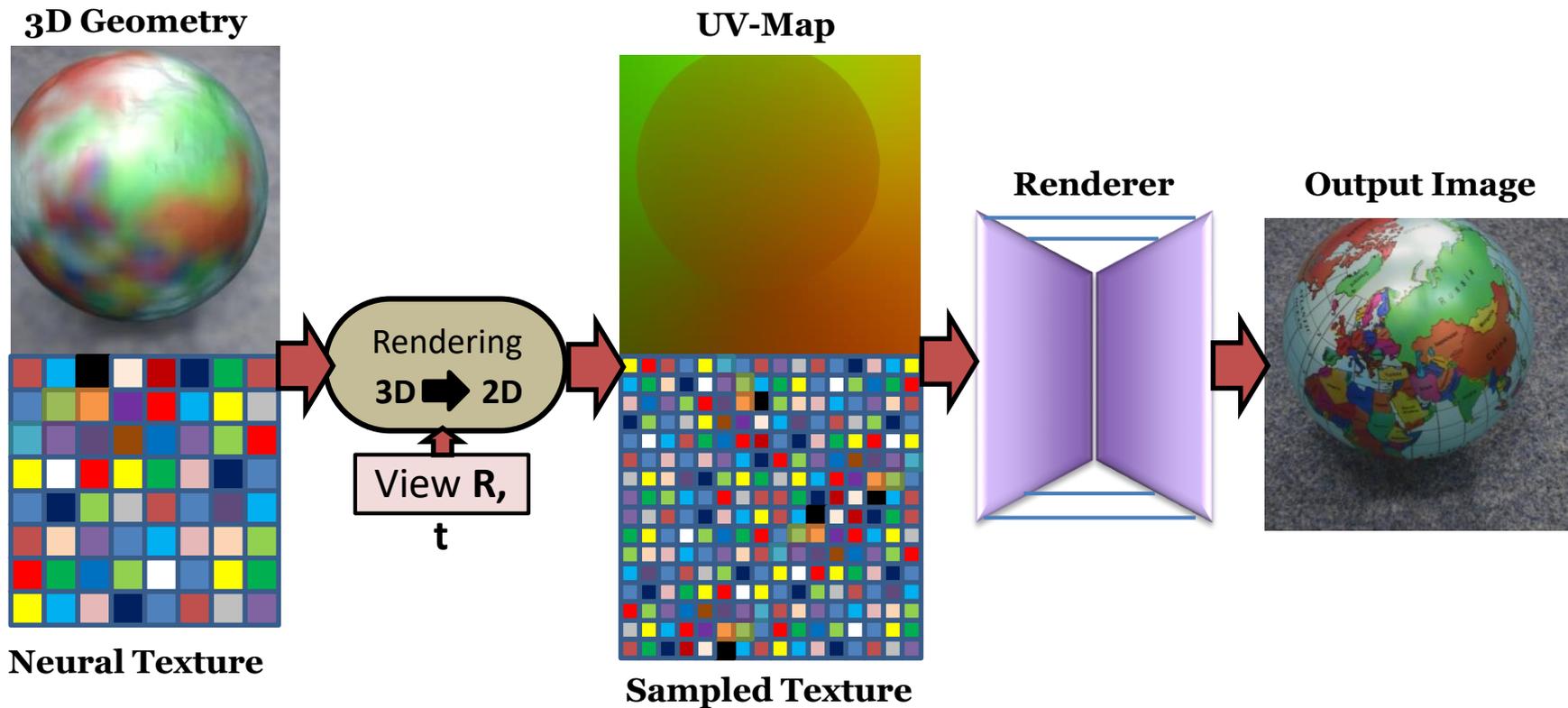


**Neural Texture**

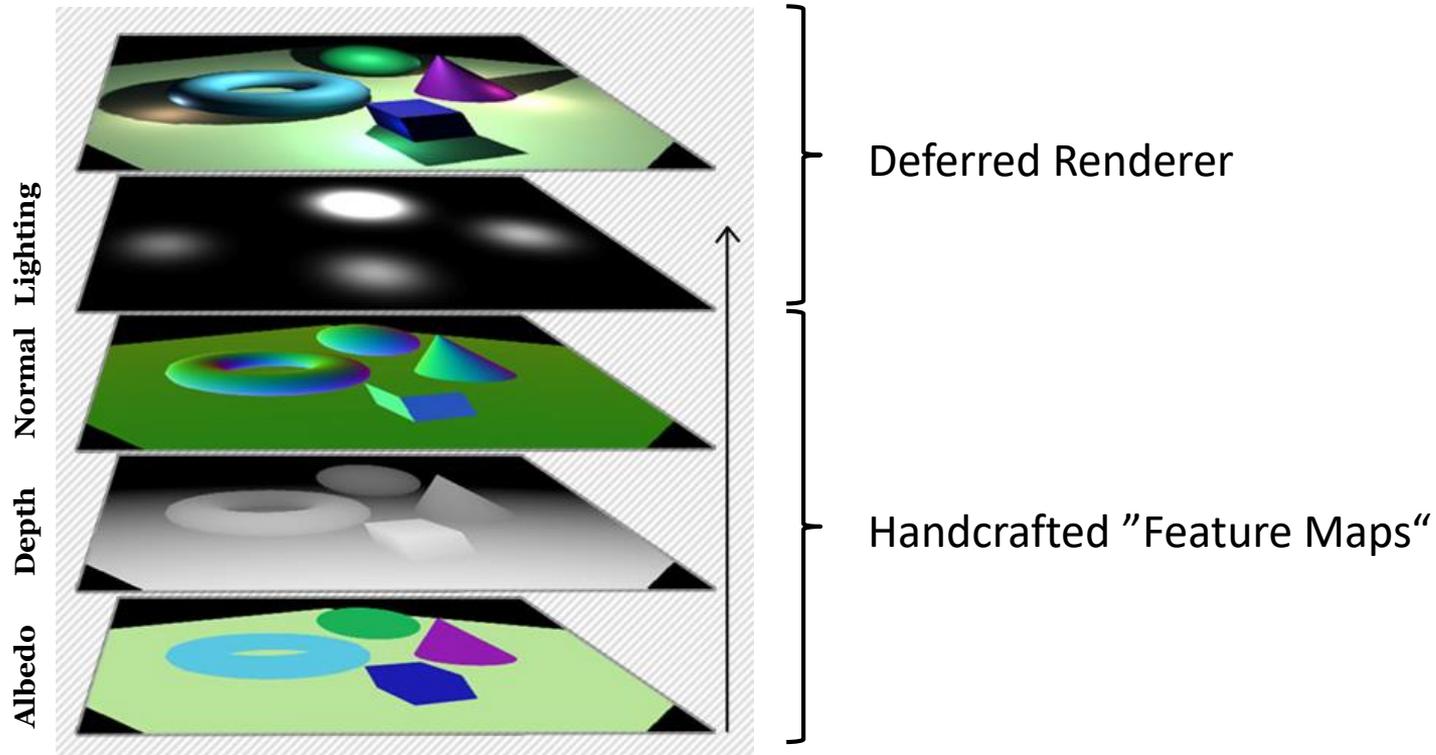
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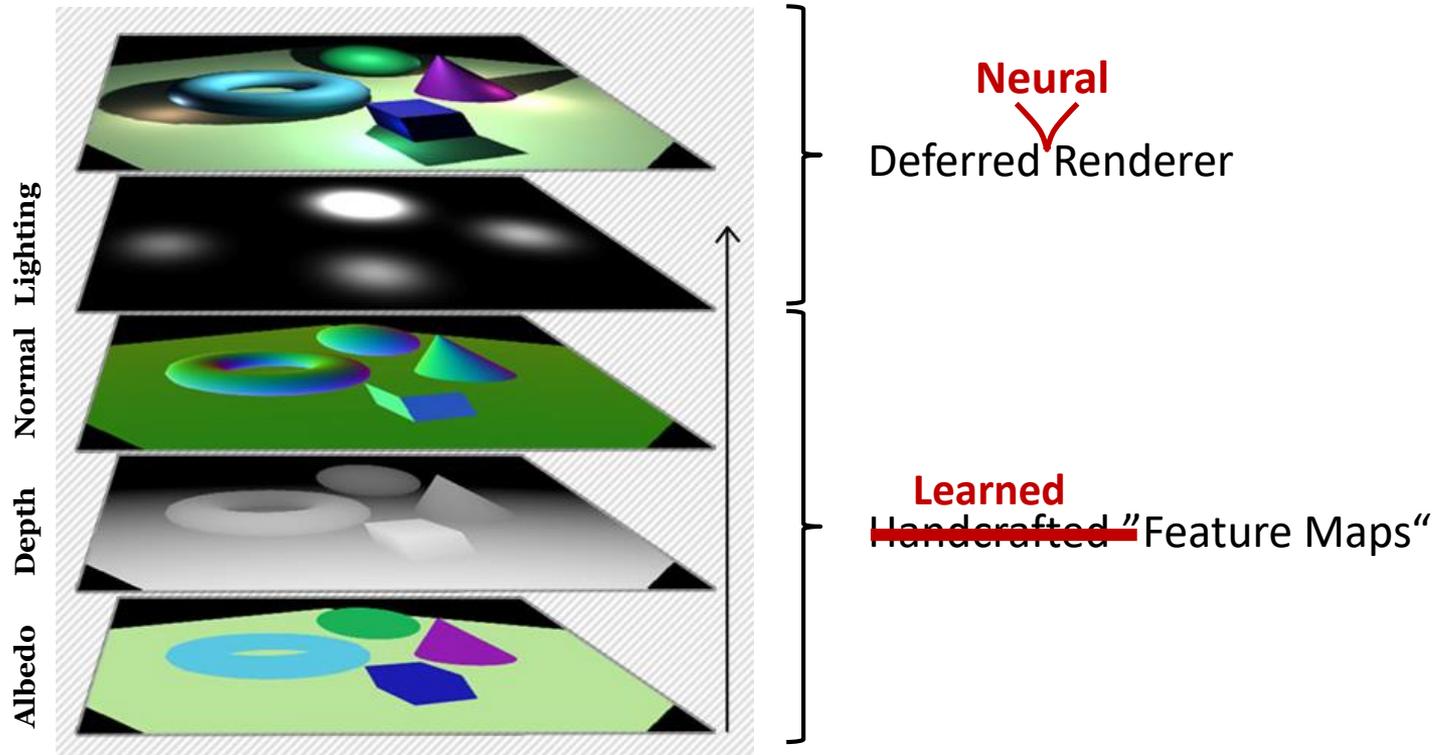
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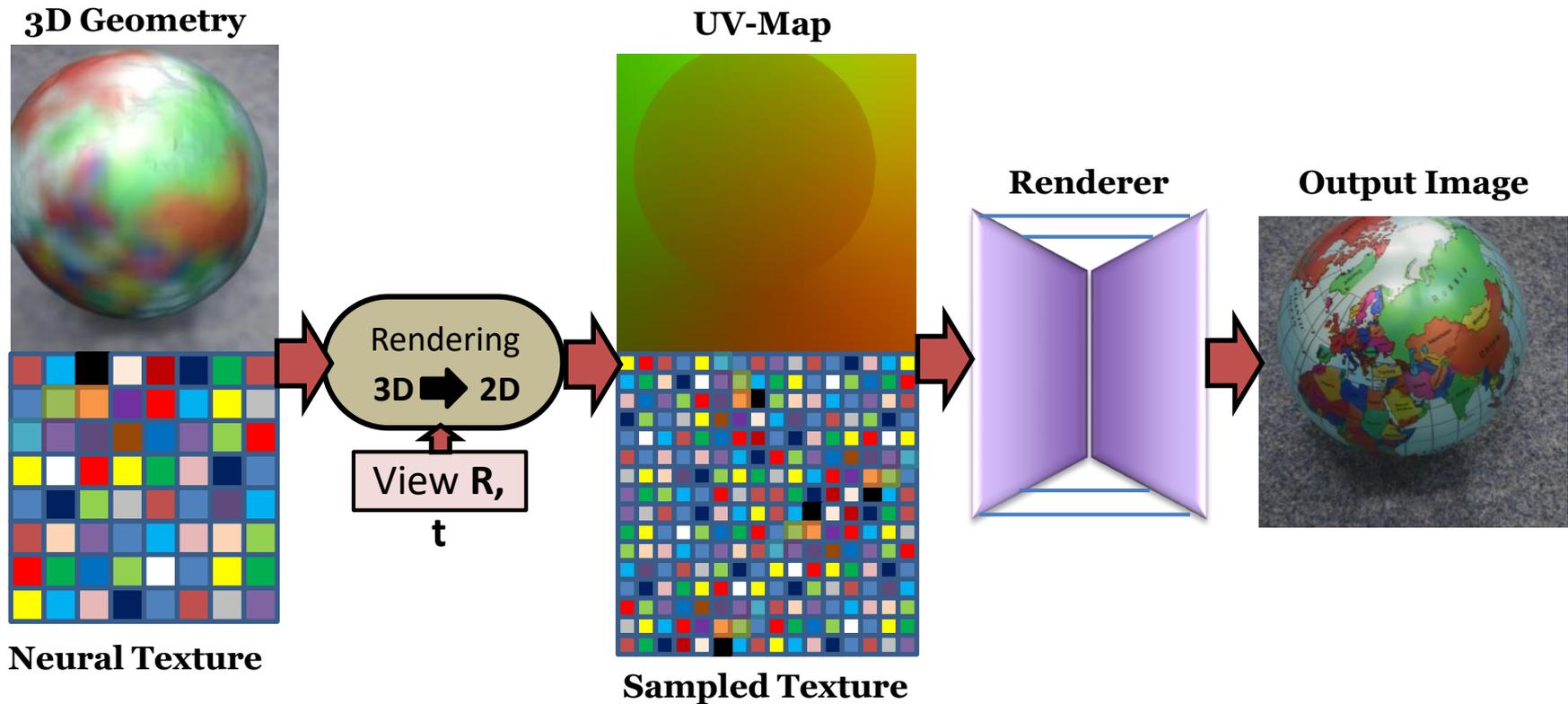
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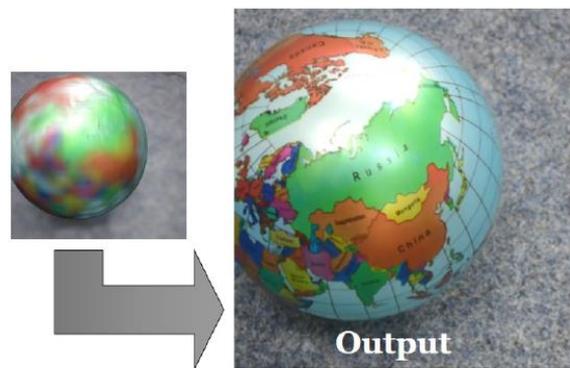
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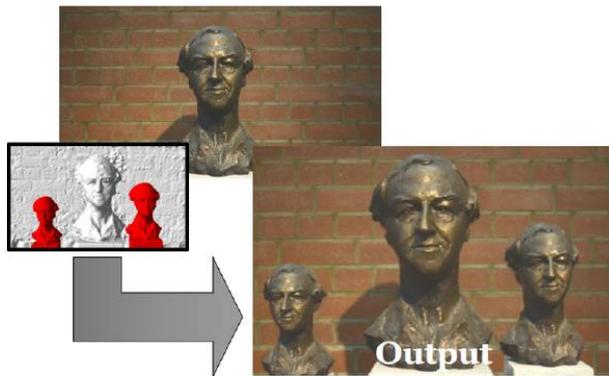
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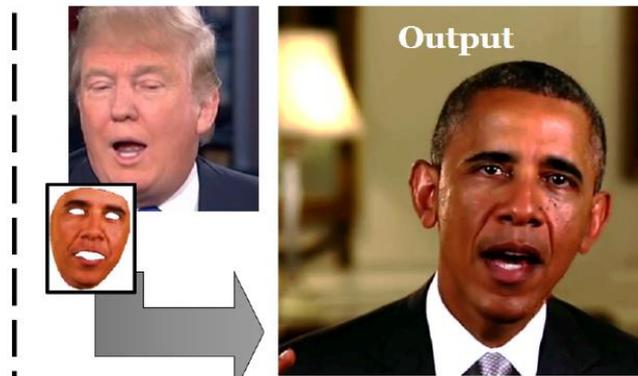
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**Novel View Synthesis**

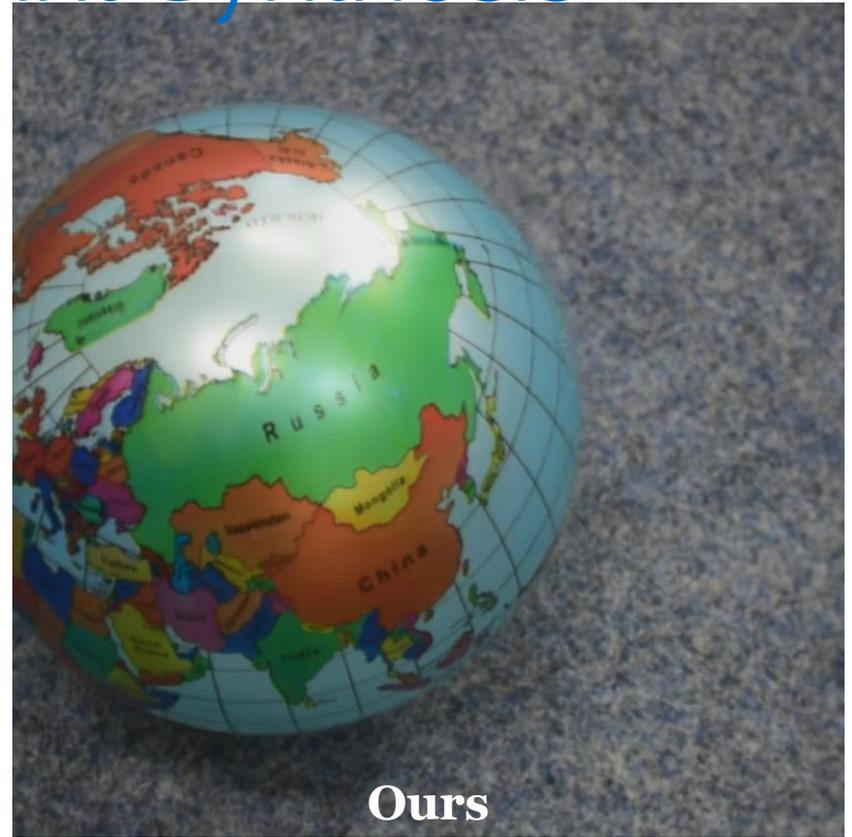
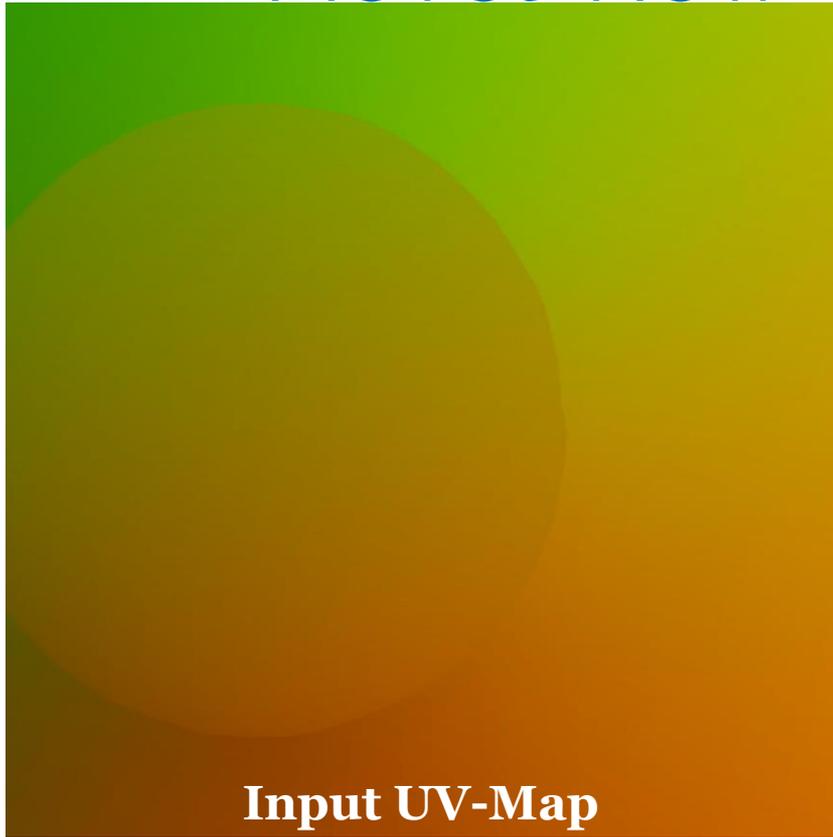


**Scene Editing**

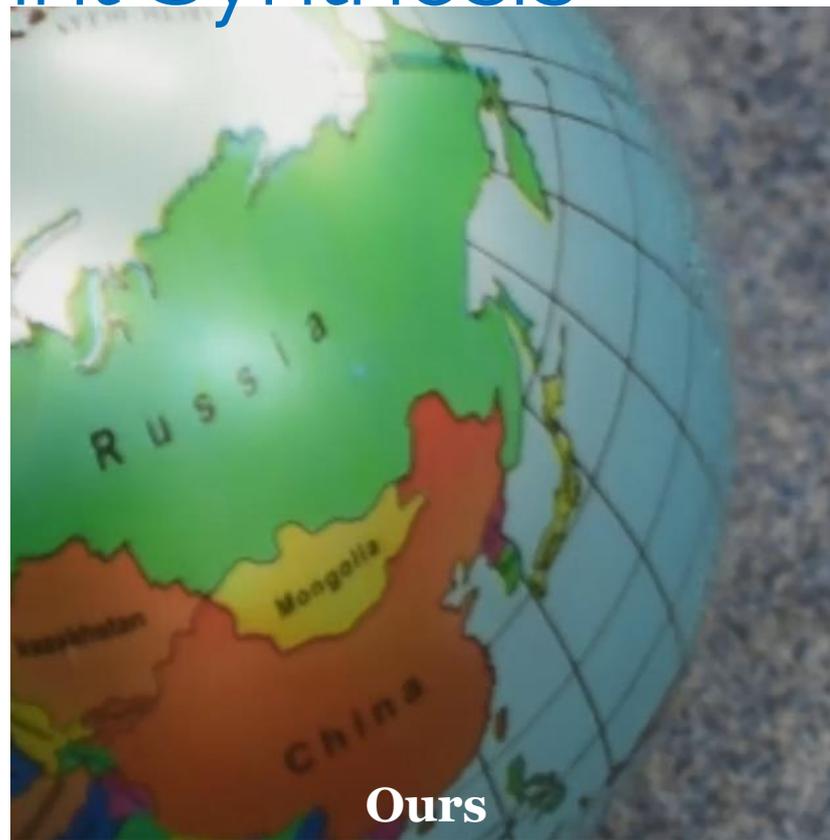
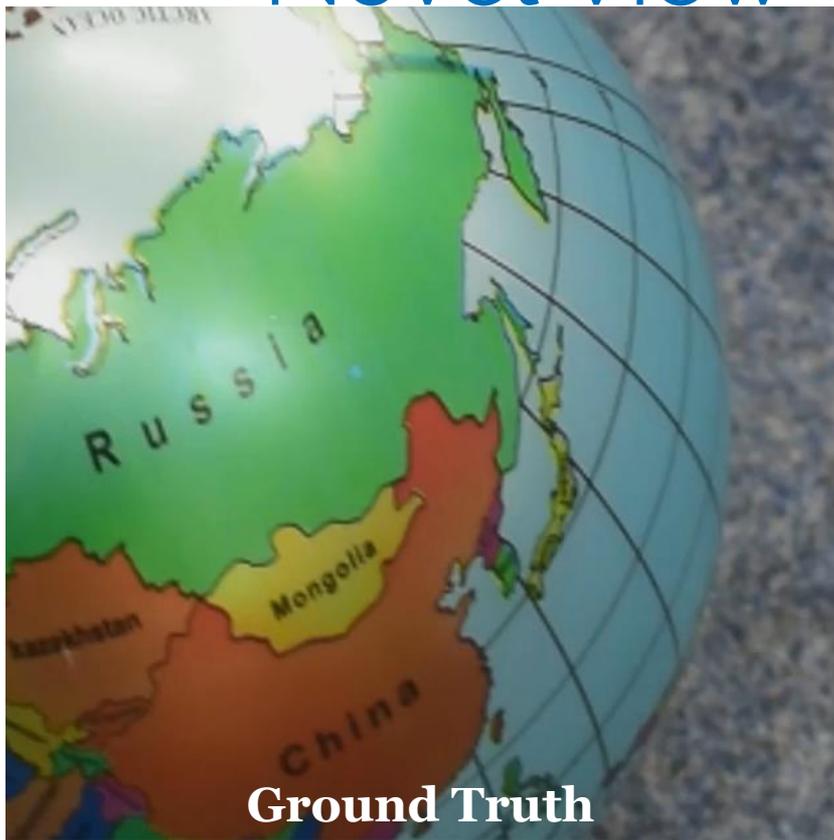


**Animation Synthesis**

# Novel View-Point Synthesis



# Novel View-Point Synthesis



# Scene Editing

**Input  
Sequence**



**Geometry  
Editing**



# Scene Editing



# Scene Editing



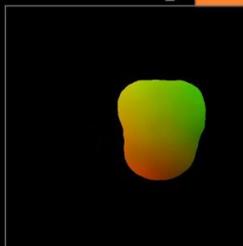
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## Animation Synthesis

Source Actor



Target  
UV-Map



Target  
Background



Output



# Facial Animation

## Animation Synthesis

Source Actor

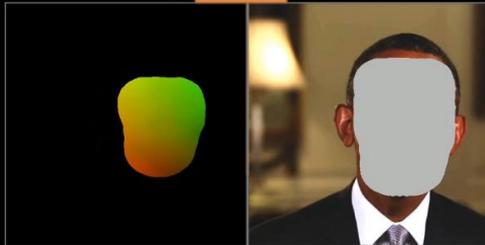


Output



Target  
UV-Map

Target  
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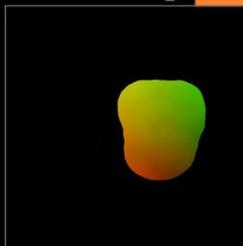
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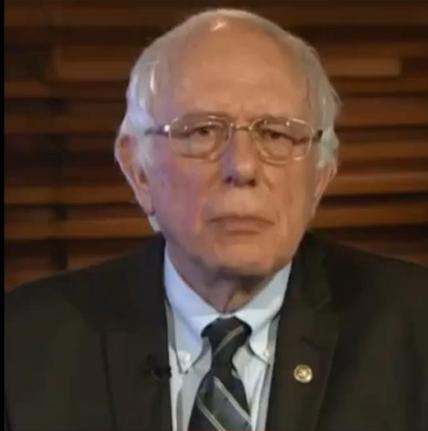
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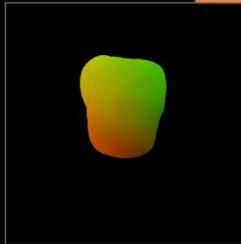
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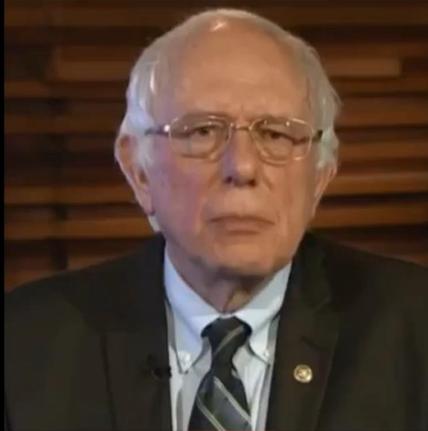
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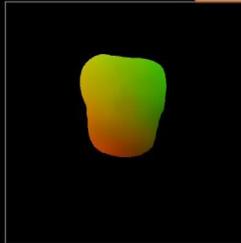
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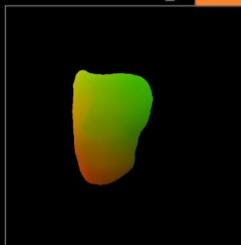
# Deferred Neural Rendering

## Animation Synthesis

Source Actor



Target  
UV-Map



Target  
Background



Output



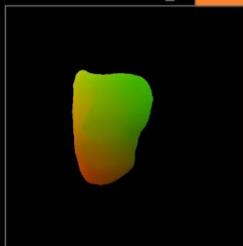
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## Animation Synthesis

Source Actor



Target  
UV-Map



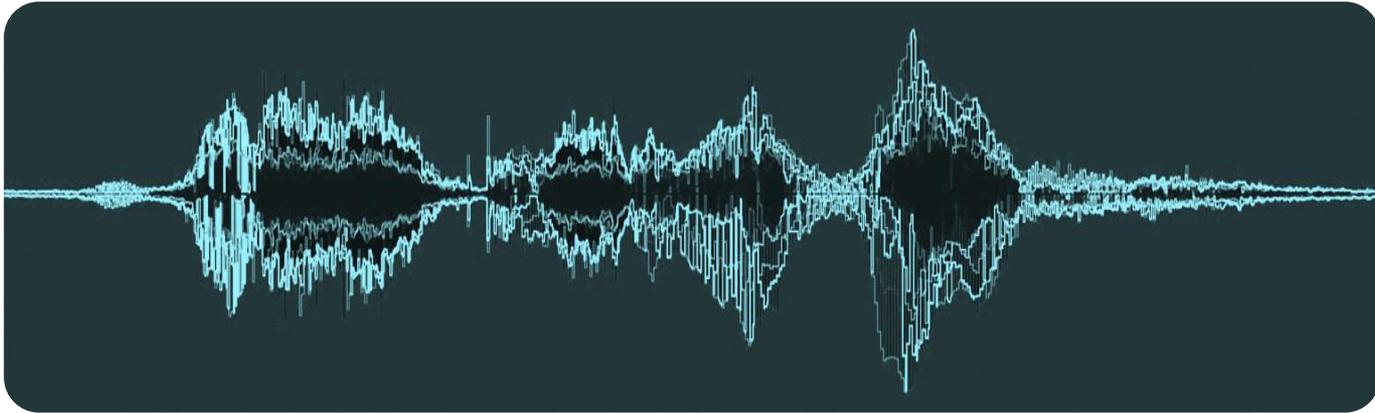
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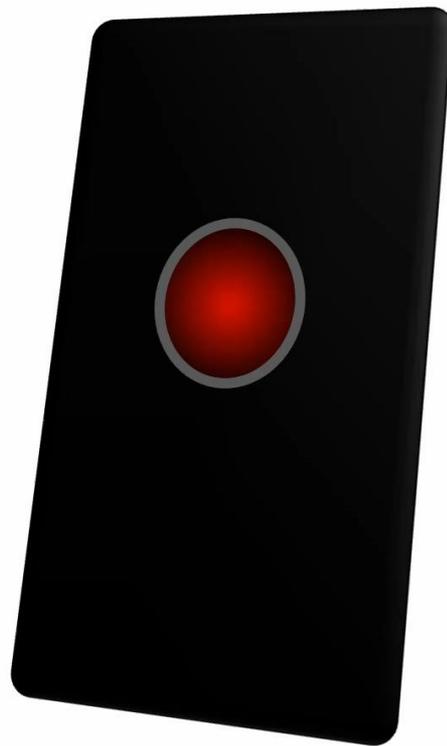


# Neural Voice Puppetry



# Neural Voice Puppetry

Hey Siri, can you  
show me your face?

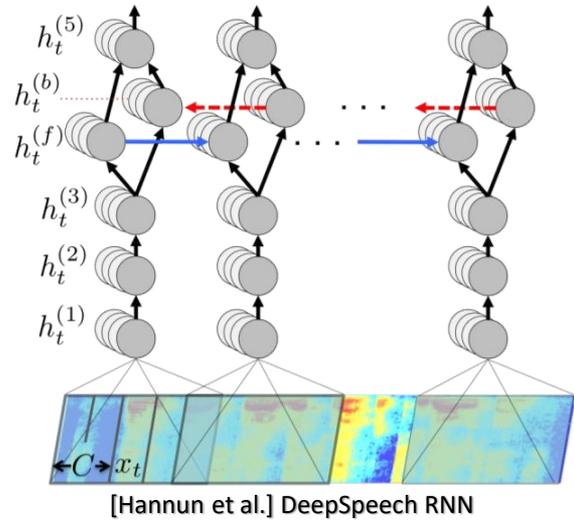


We use Siri as synonym for a digital assistant.

# Neural Voice Puppetry

## **How does it work?** **Pipeline Overview**

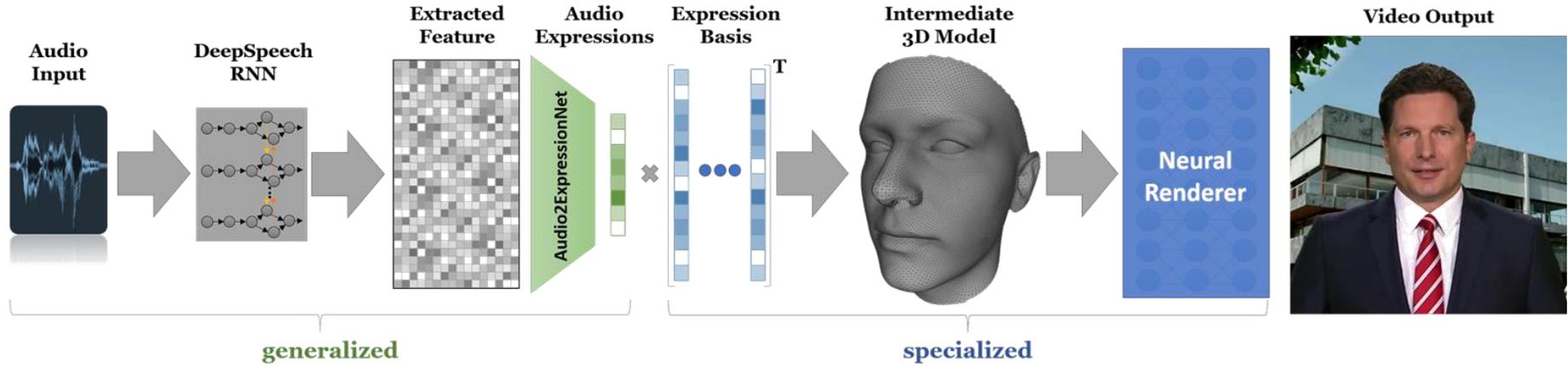
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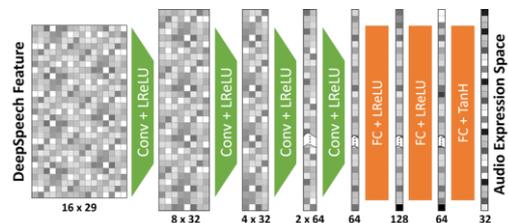
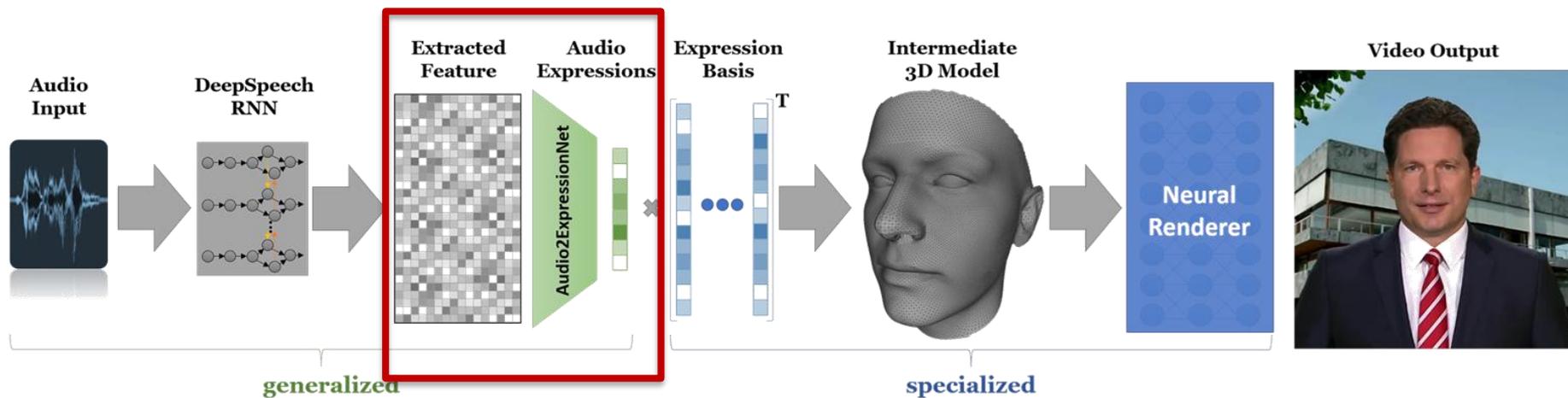
Output of the RNN of DeepSpeech:  
- Logits of alphabet ( $|\text{alphabet}|=29$ )

We use a time window ( $n=16$ )

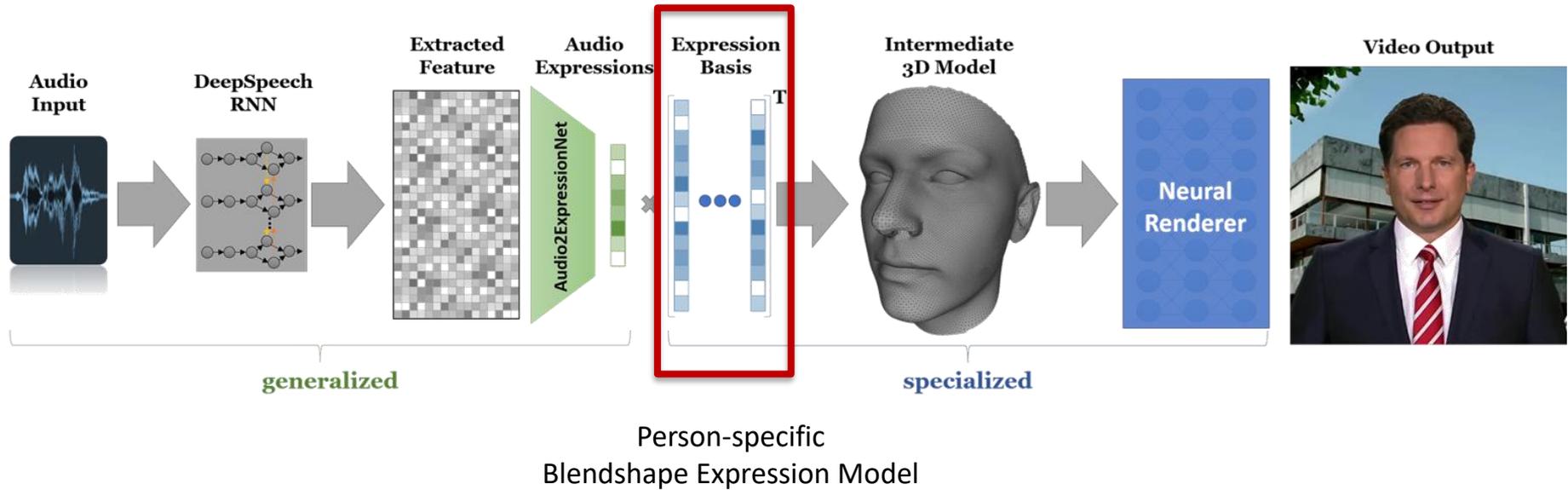
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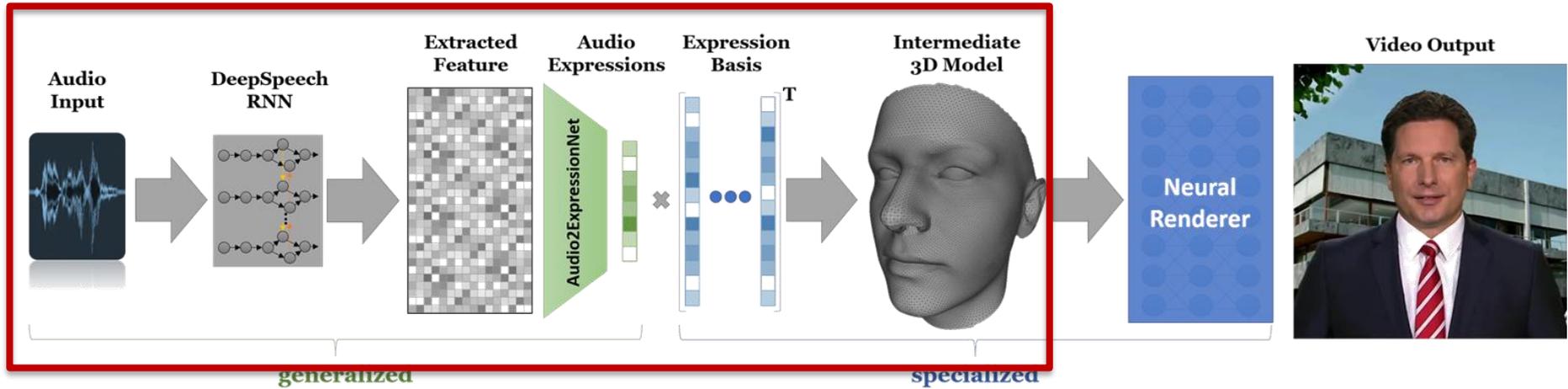


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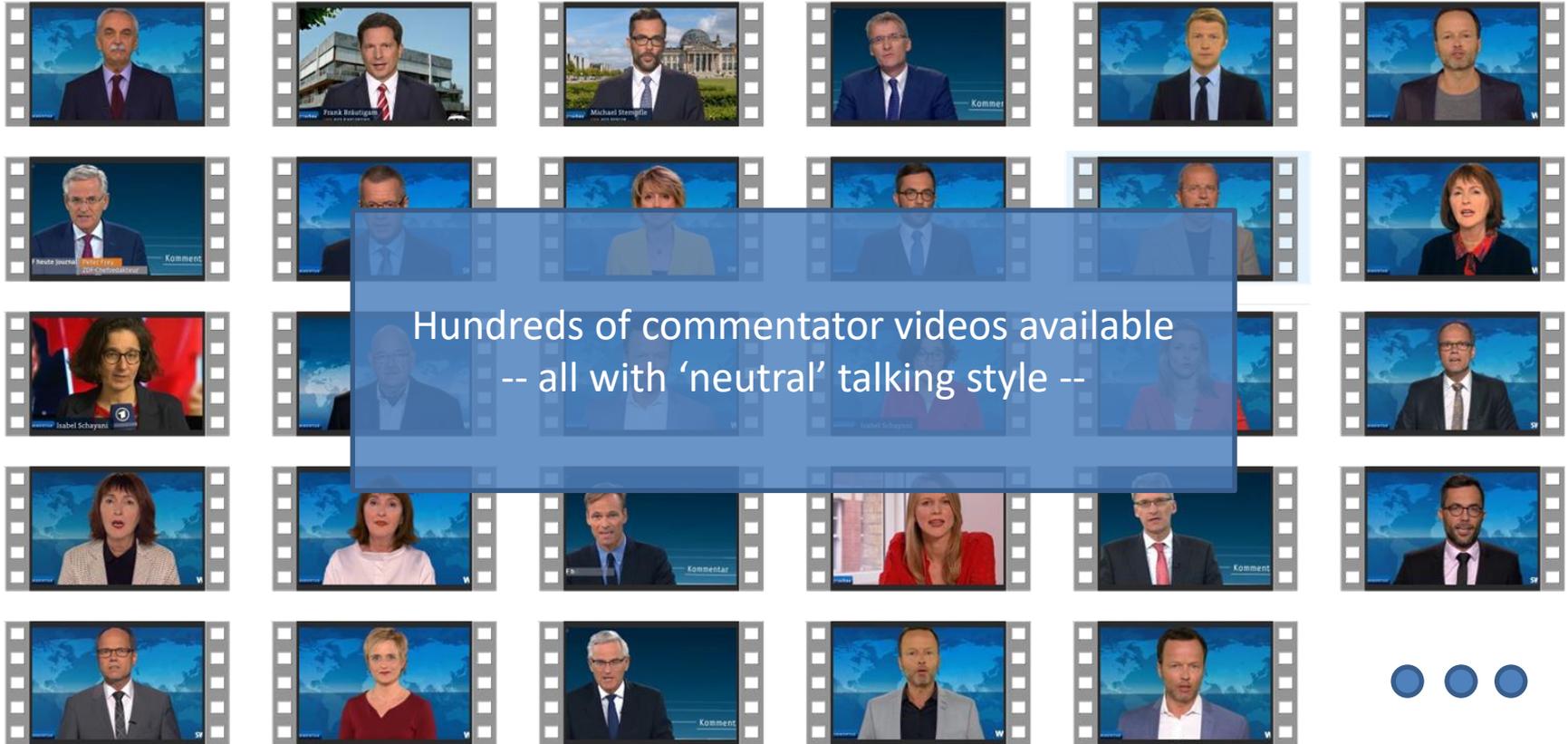


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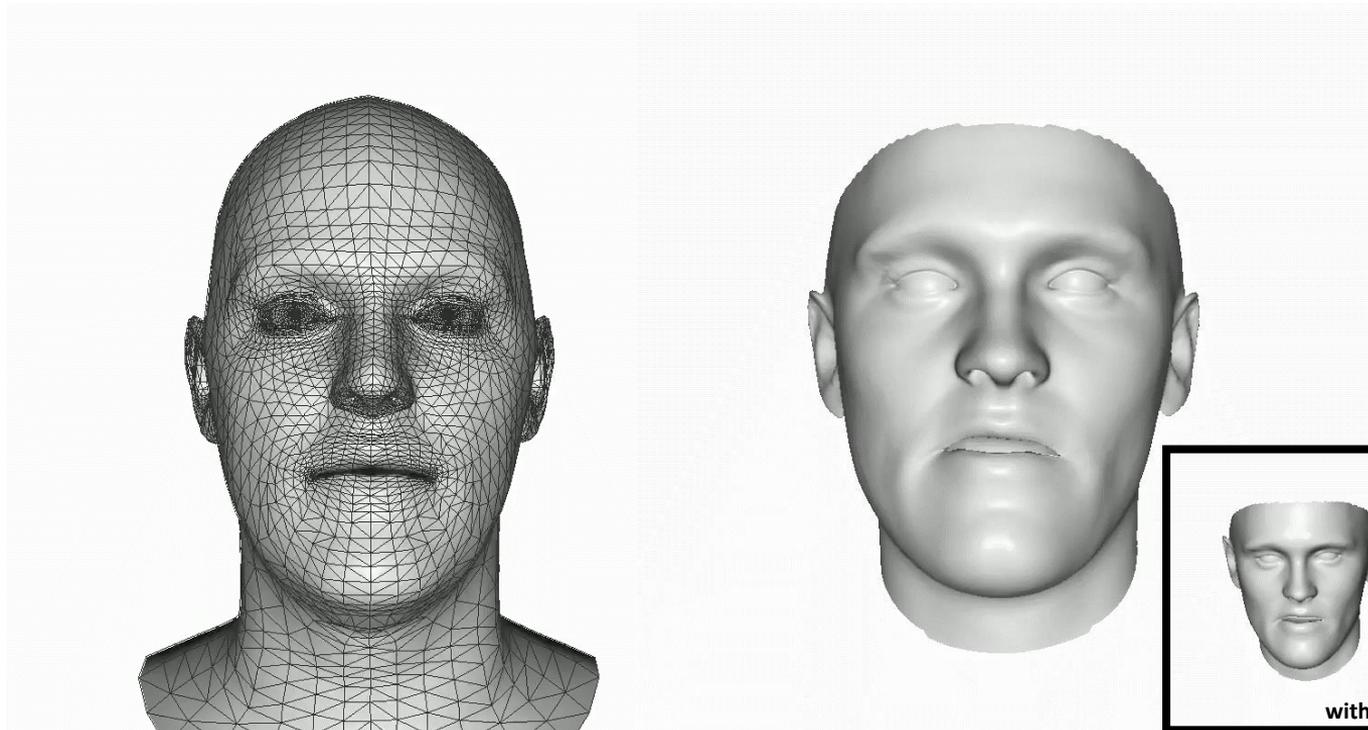
## Audio2Expression Training



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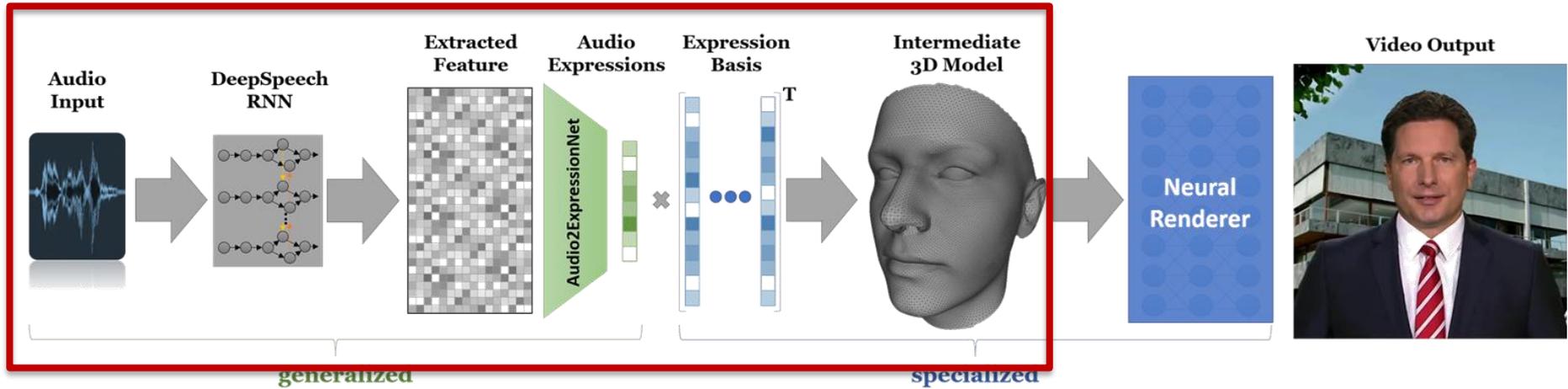
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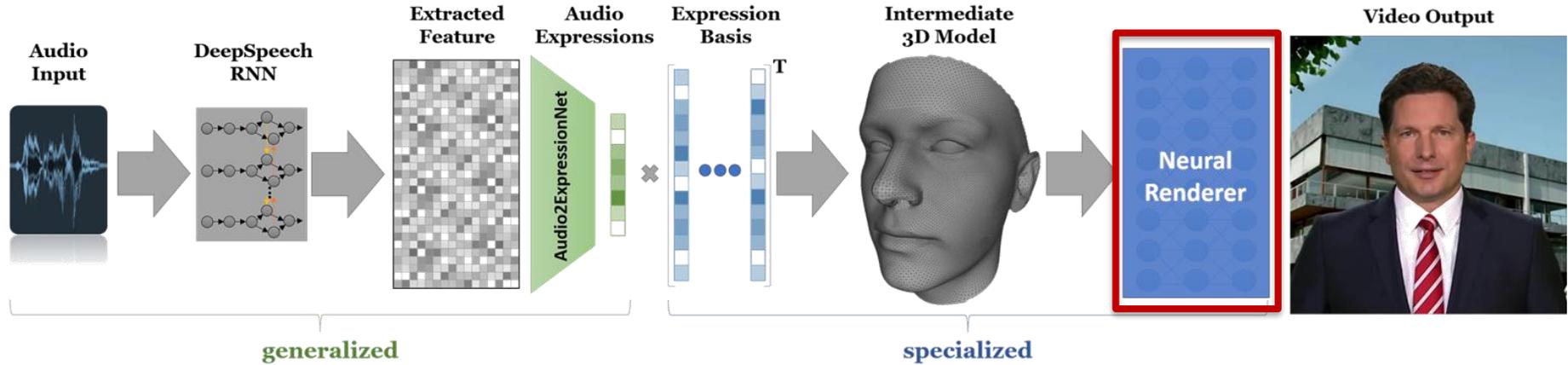
**Flame Model**

**Basel Model**

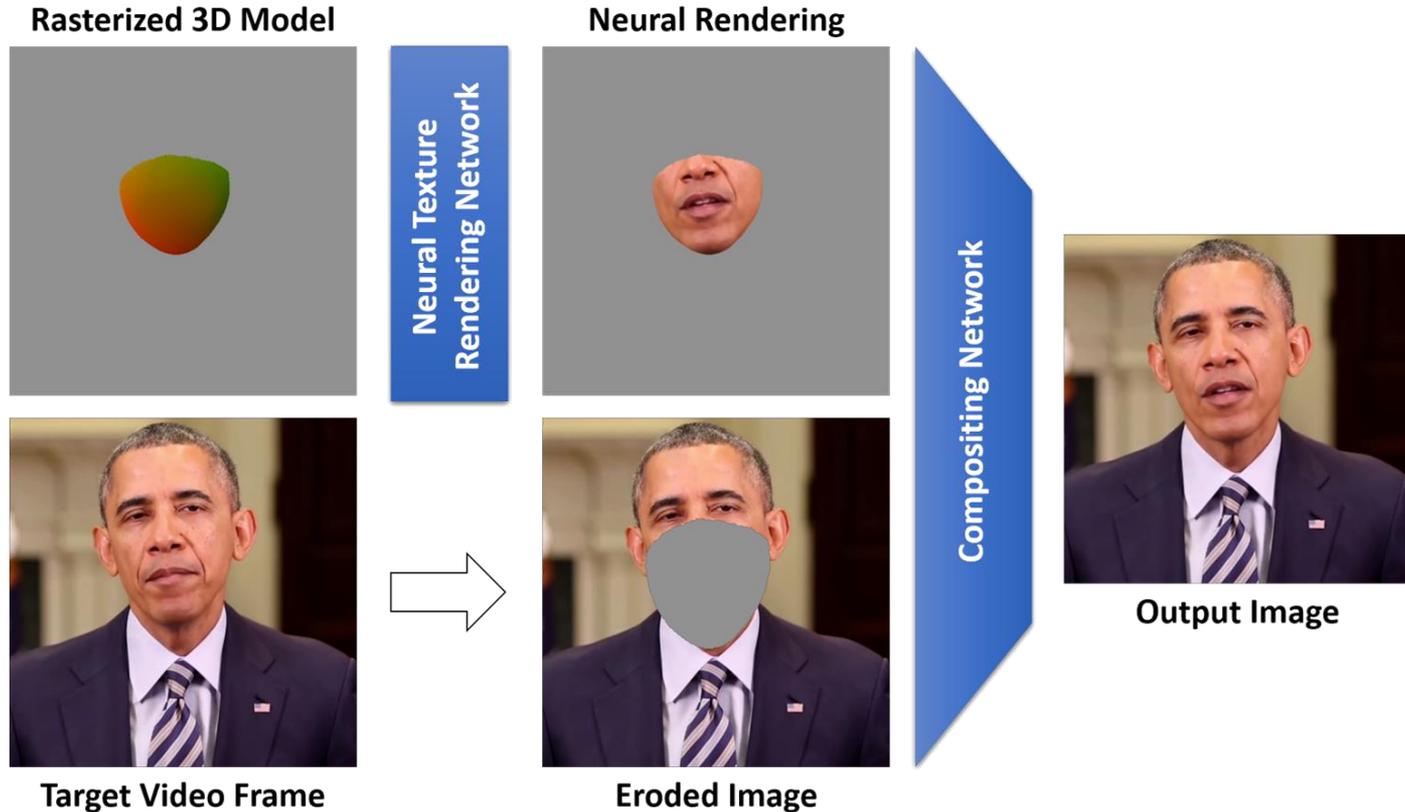
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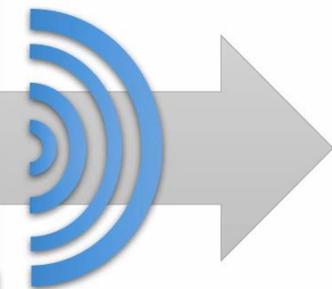
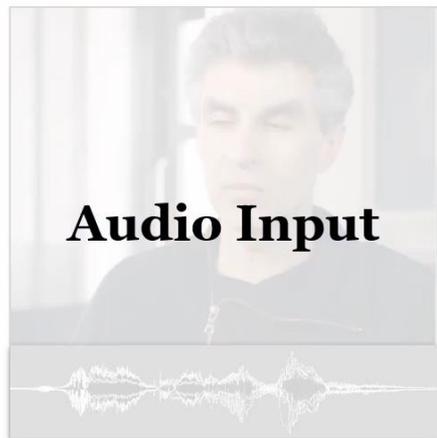
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# Big Open Challenges

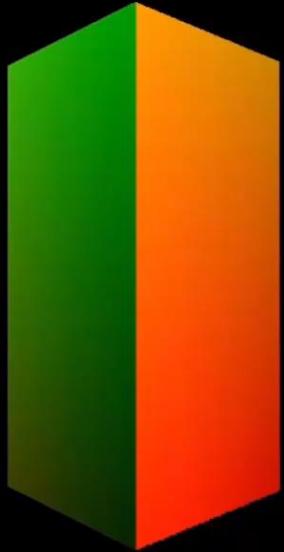
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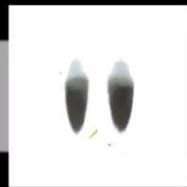
Photo-realistic Reconstruction

# Big Open Challenges: How much can AI do?

Using a Bounding Box as Proxy



**Input UV-Map**



**Sampled  
Texture**



**Ours**

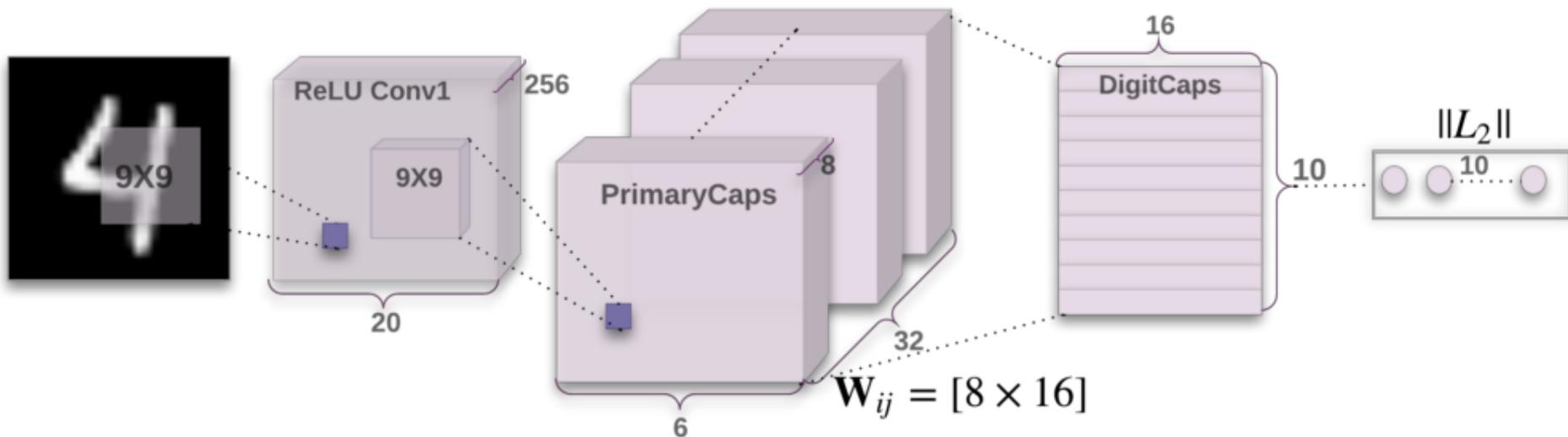


**Ground Truth**

# Big Open Challenges: 3D in Networks

Why learn 3D operations, such as transformations?

-> *differentiate known operators*

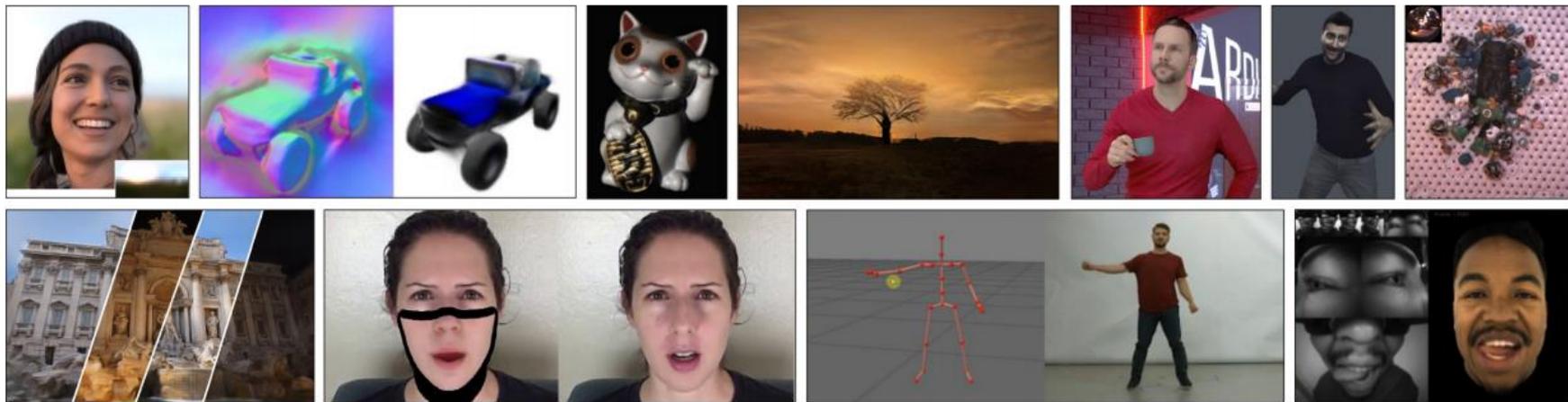


Capsule networks are motivated by *inverse graphics* [Sabour et al. 17]

# State of the Art on Neural Rendering

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**Figure 1:** Neural renderings of a large variety of scenes. See Section 6 for more details on the various methods. Images from [SBT\* 19, SZW19, XBS\* 19, KHM17, GLD\* 19, MBPY\* 18, XSHR18, MGK\* 19, FTZ\* 19, LXZ\* 19, WSS\* 19].

See you next week 😊

# Some Extra Slides:

# Neural Voice Puppetry

## **Comparisons** **Model-based Methods**

# Neural Voice Puppetry

## **Comparisons** **2D-based Methods**

# Neural Voice Puppetry



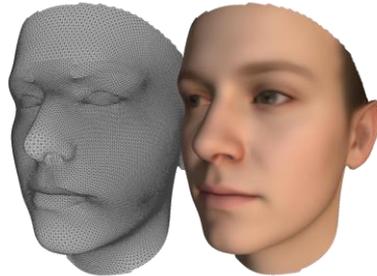
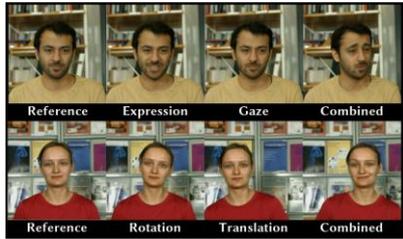
Strided Convolutions  
(classical U-Net, 5 down & up convs,  
kernel size 4)



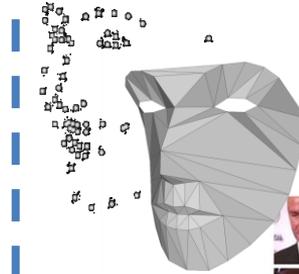
Dilated Convolutions  
(U-Net, dilated instead of strided convs  
increasing dilation per layer, kernel size 3)

# Facial Reenactment

Dense

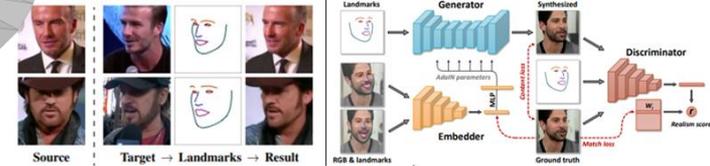


Sparse



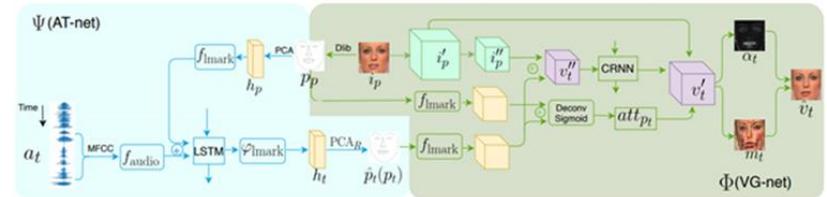
Few-Shot Adversarial Learning of Realistic Neural Talking Head Models

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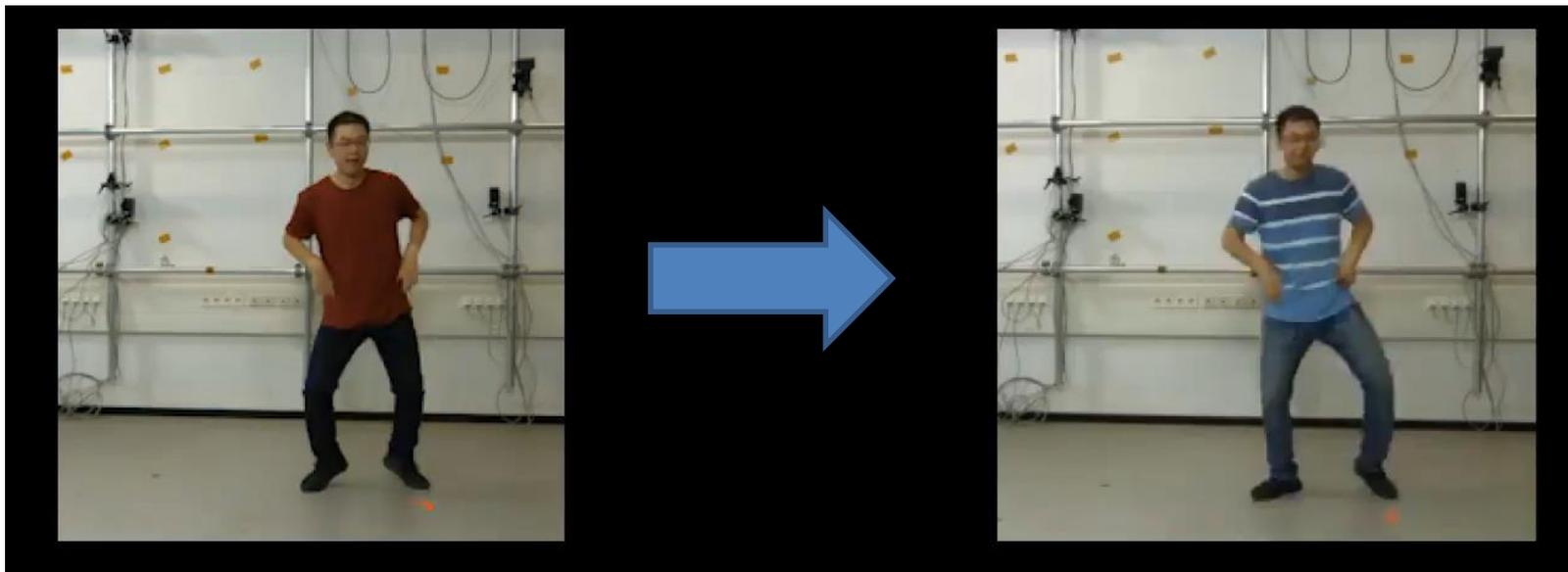


Hierarchical Cross-Modal Talking Face Generation with Dynamic Pixel-Wise Loss

Lele Chen Ross K. Maddox Zhiyao Duan Chenliang Xu  
 University of Rochester, USA

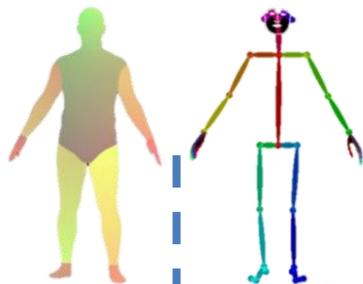


# Neural Rendering and Reenactment of Human Actor Videos



# Body Reenactment

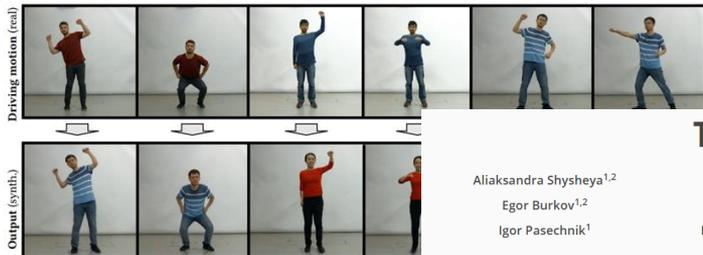
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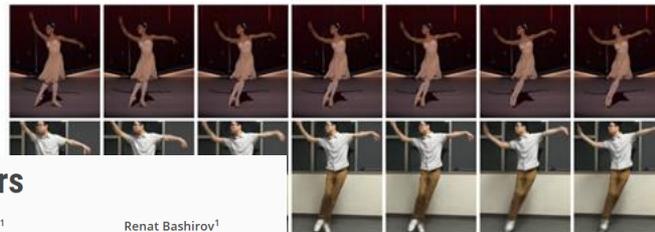
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## Everybody Dance Now

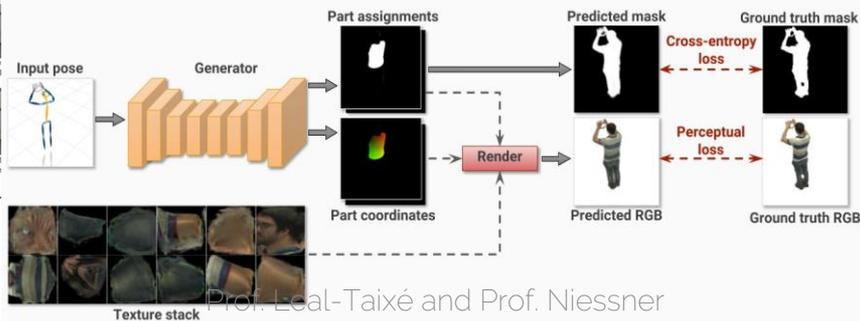
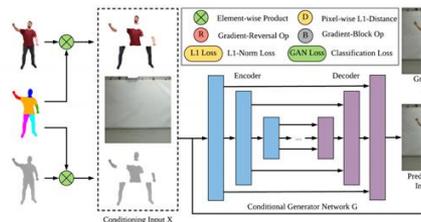
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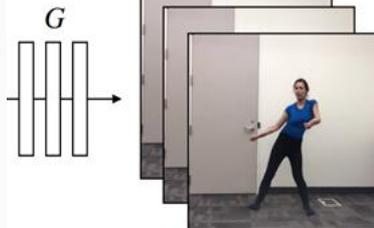
## Textured Neural Avatars

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$G(x_1), \dots, G(x_t)$



# Open Challenges

- Motion Capturing
- Person-specific Motions/Expressions
- Temporal Stability
- Image Quality

