

Exploiting Illumination Decline

Advances in Monocular Visual SLAM, Self-Supervised Depth Estimation, and Watertight 3D Reconstruction



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Real-scale 3D reconstruction from monocular endoscope images

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Reconstruction

Outside vs. Inside the human body

Outside

[KITTI (2013)]



- Stereo images

Inside

[EndoMapper (2022)]



- Monocular images
! Scale problem

[26] A. Geiger et al. (2013). *Vision meets Robotics: The KITTI Dataset*.

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Reconstruction

Outside vs. Inside the human body

Outside

[KITTI (2013)]



Inside

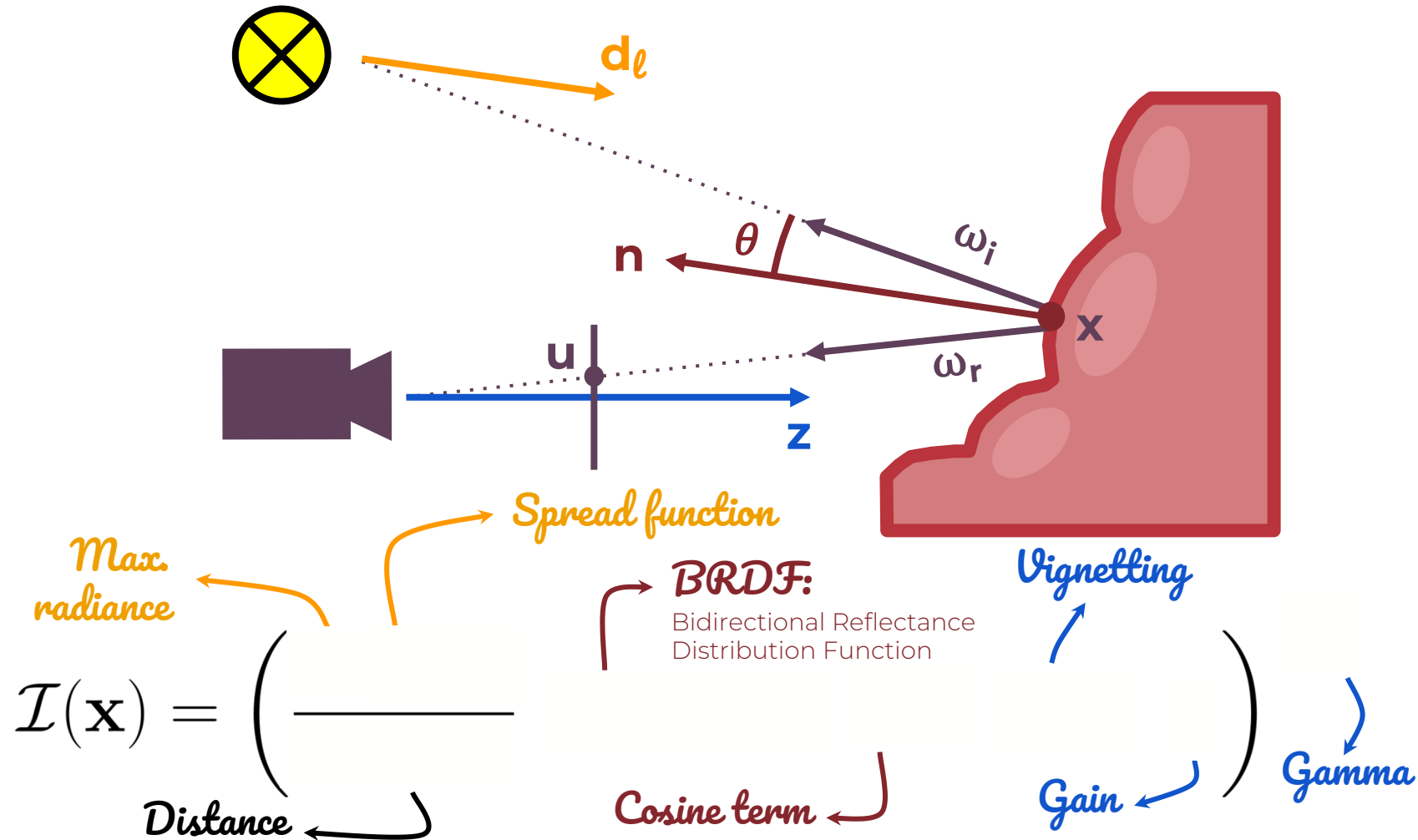
[EndoMapper (2022)]



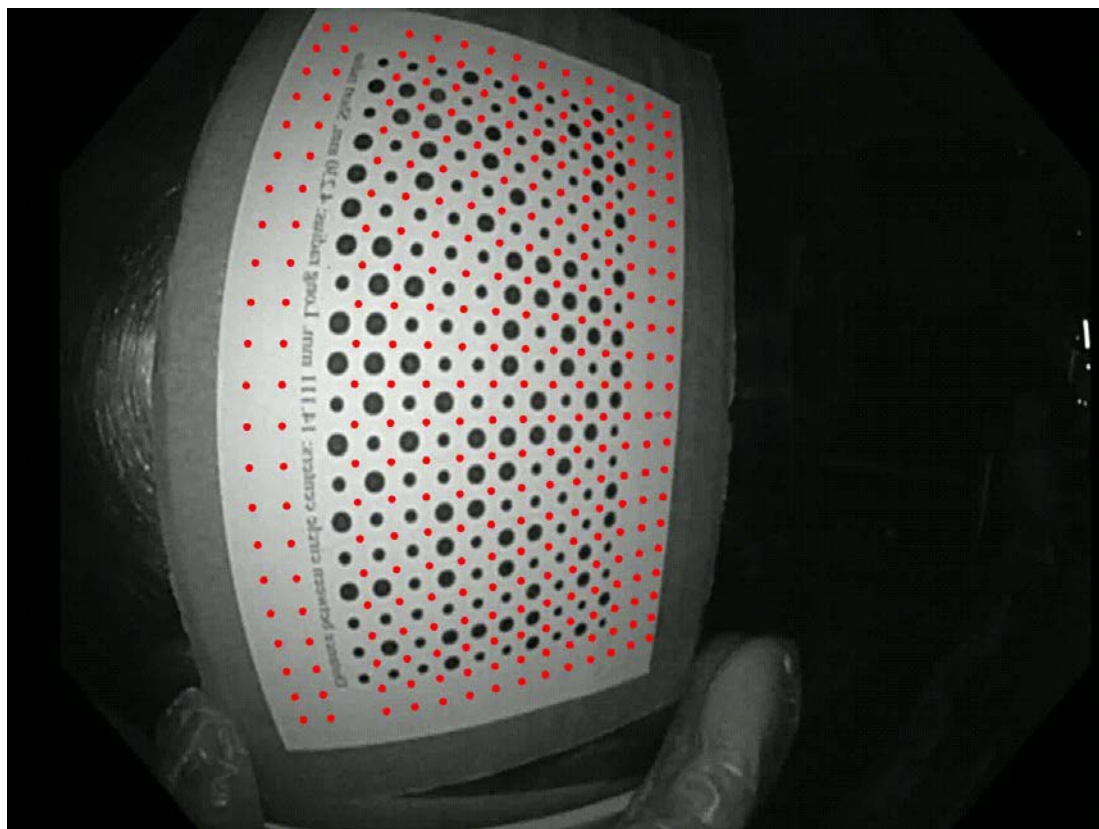
Previously, lighting changes were **dismissed**...

- Assuming **constant illumination**
- Using **invariant feature** points

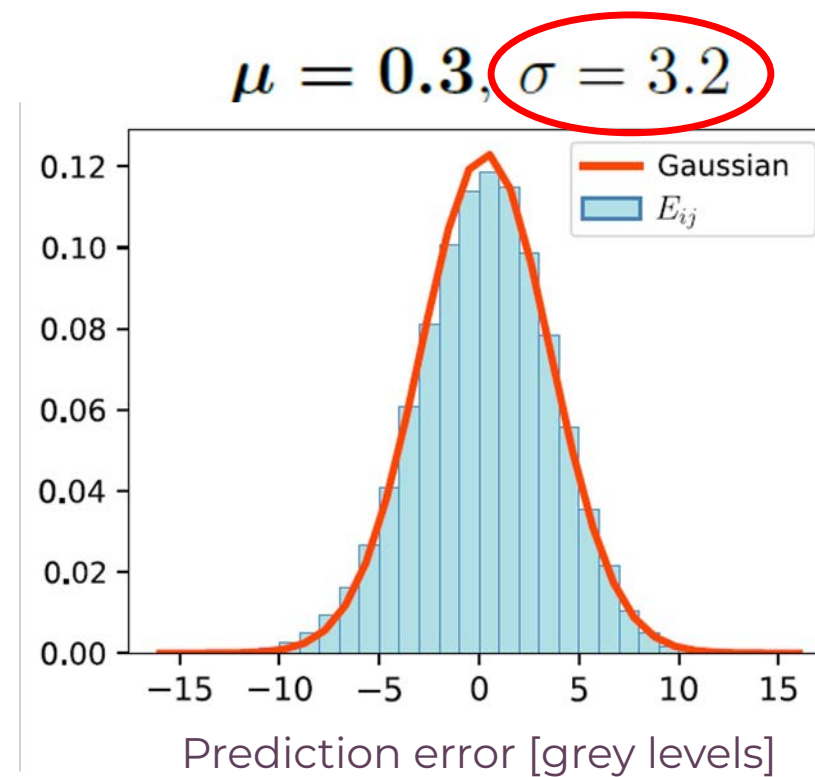
General photometric model



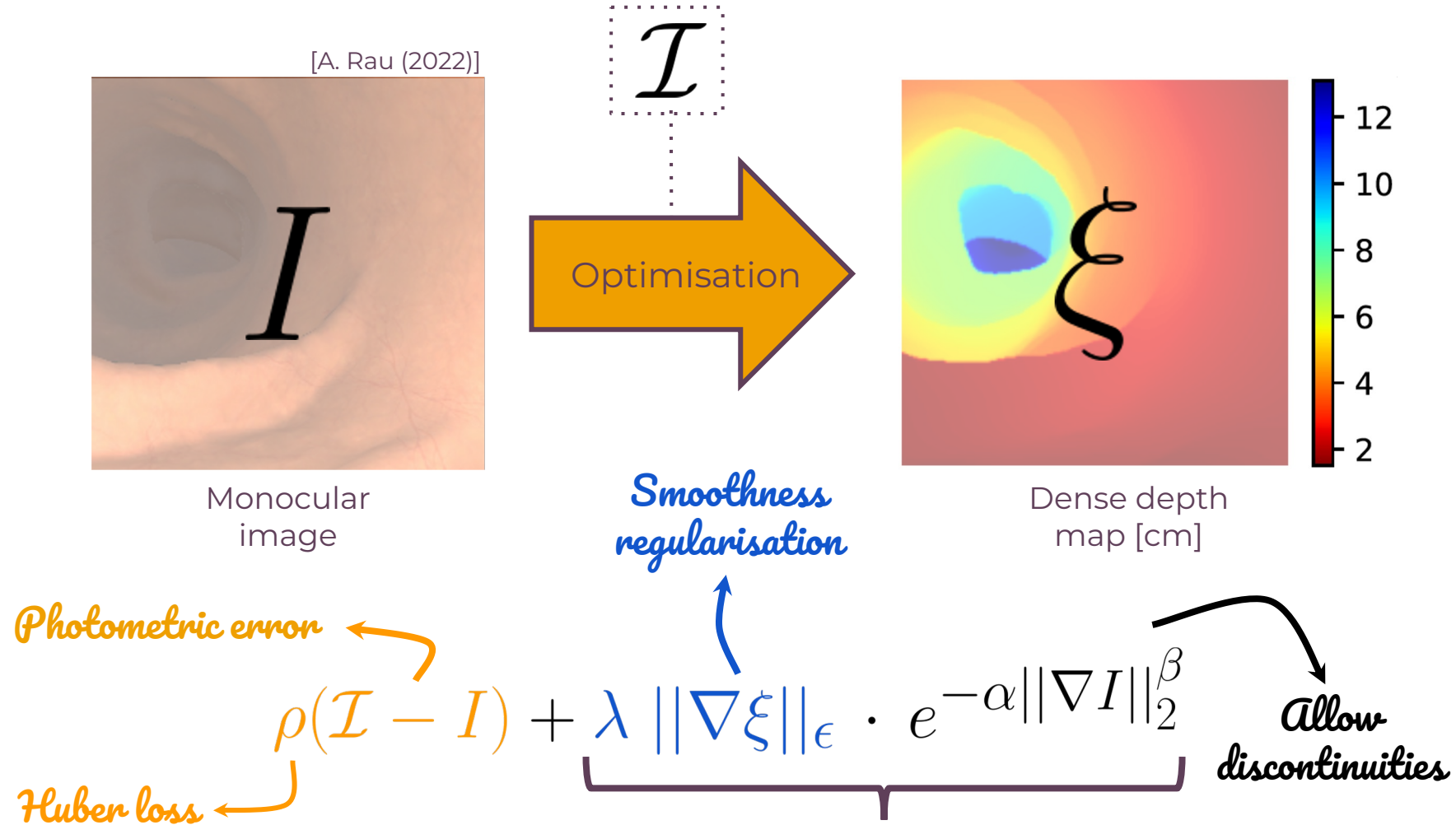
Endoscope calibration



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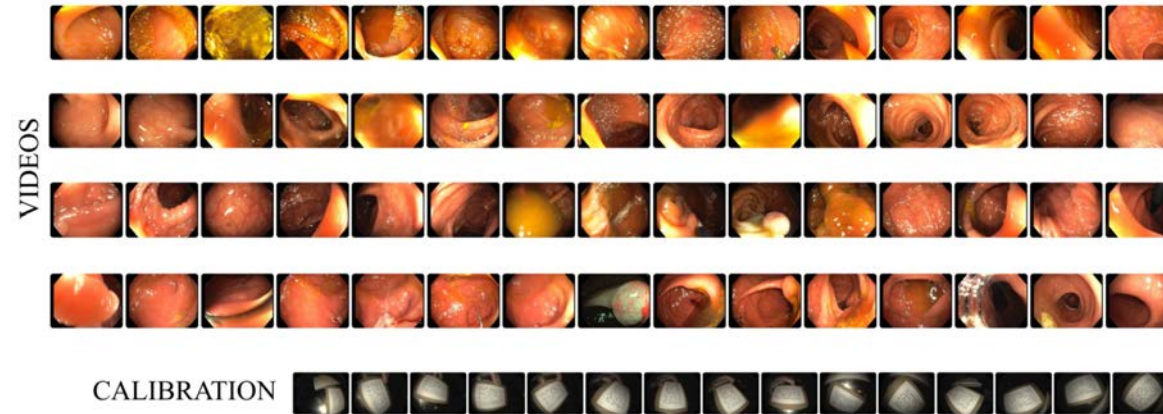


Depth estimation

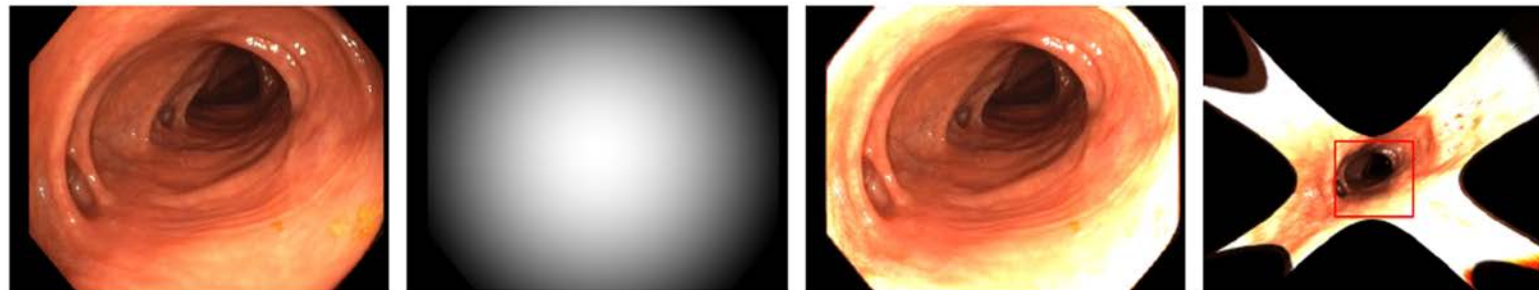


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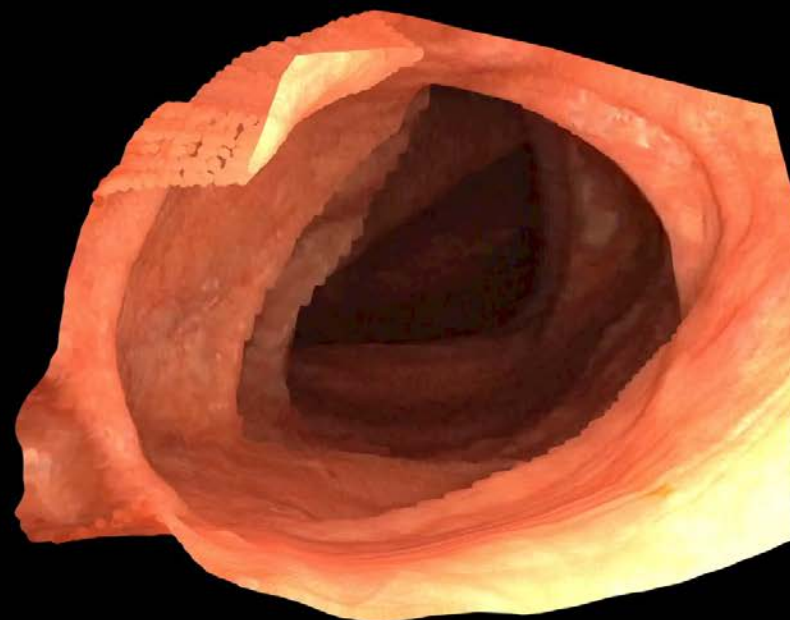
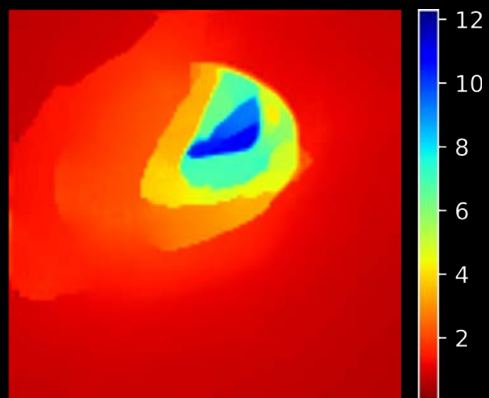
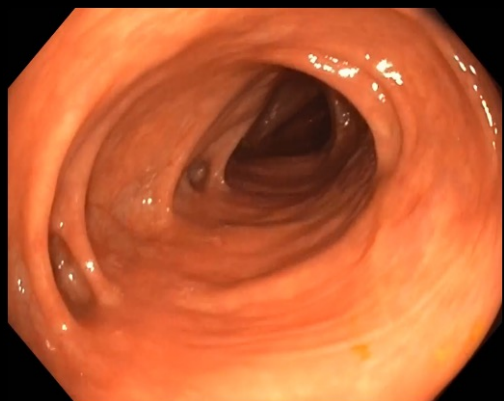
Real colon dataset



EndoMapper



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3D reconstruction



LightDepth: Single-View Depth Self-Supervision from Illumination Decline

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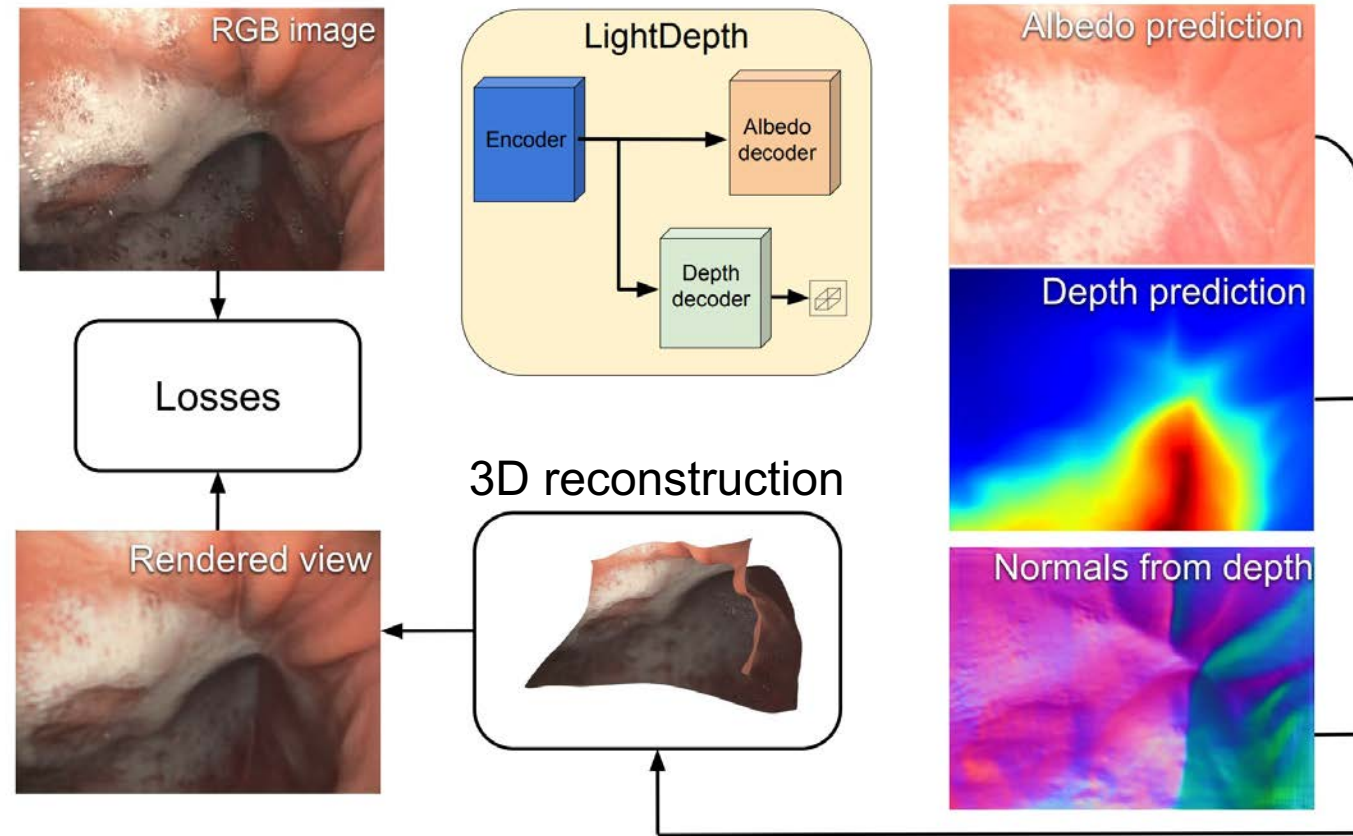
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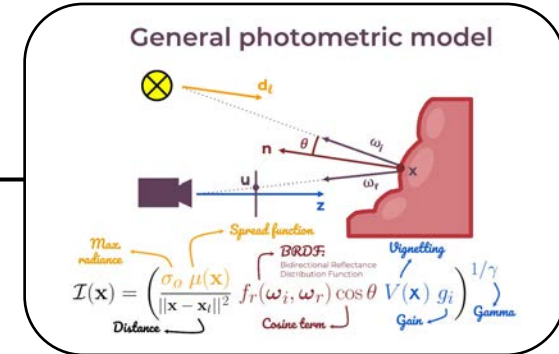
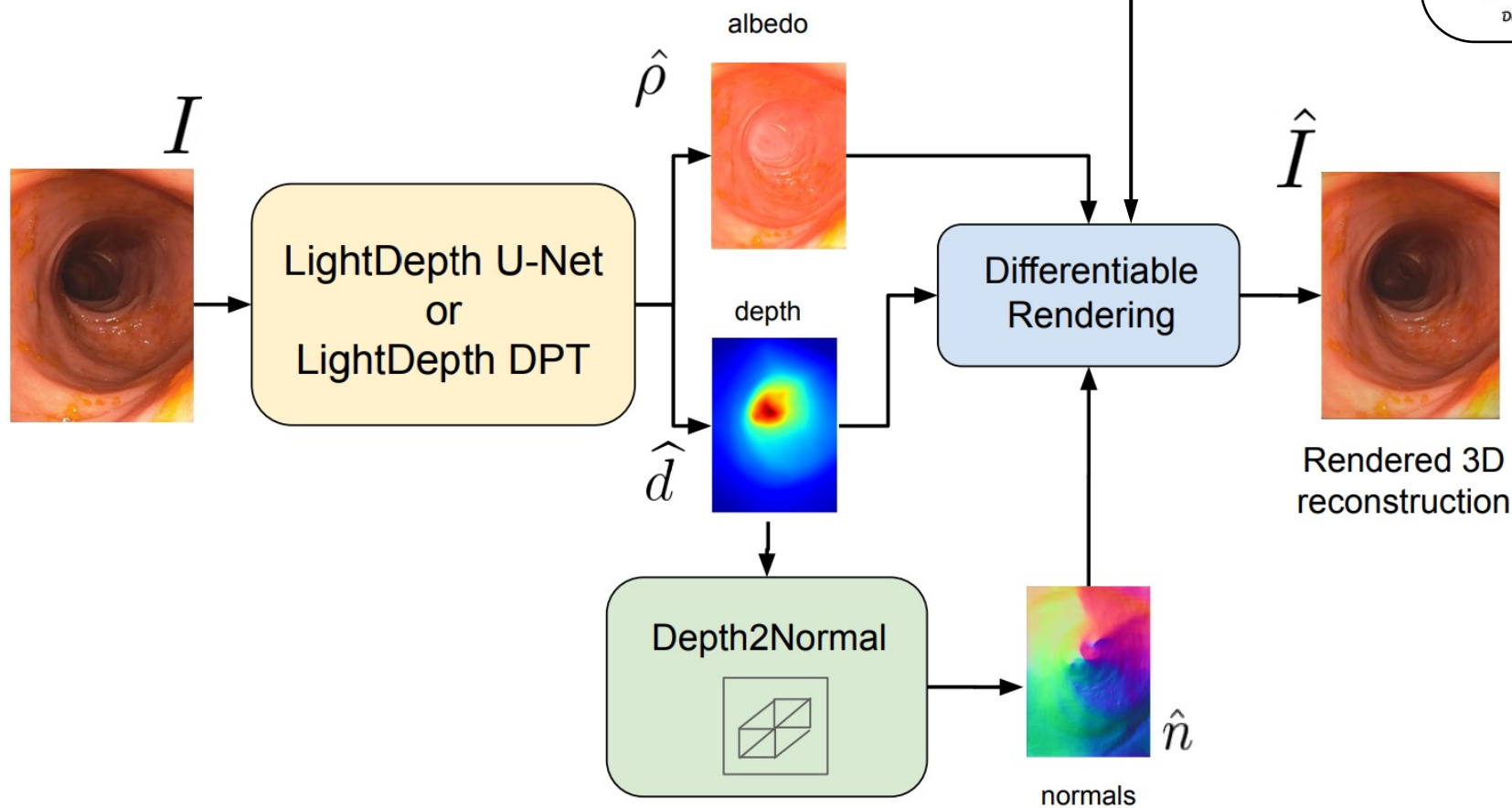
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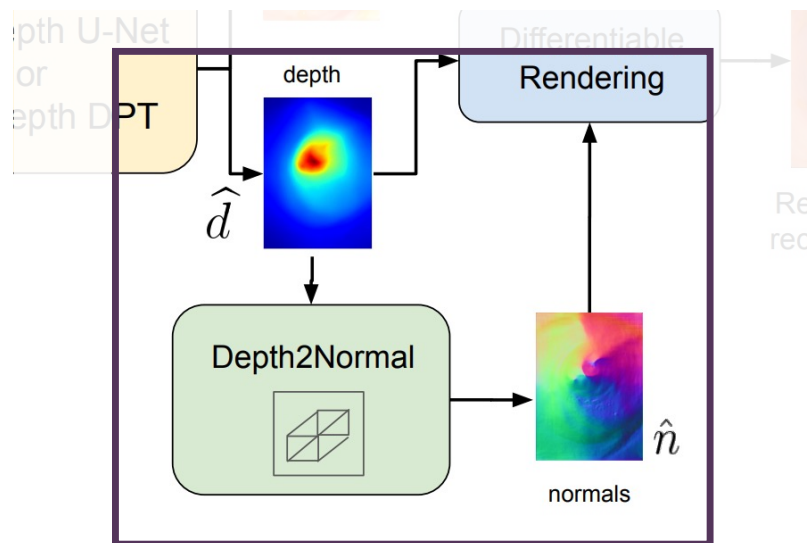
Single-view self-supervision



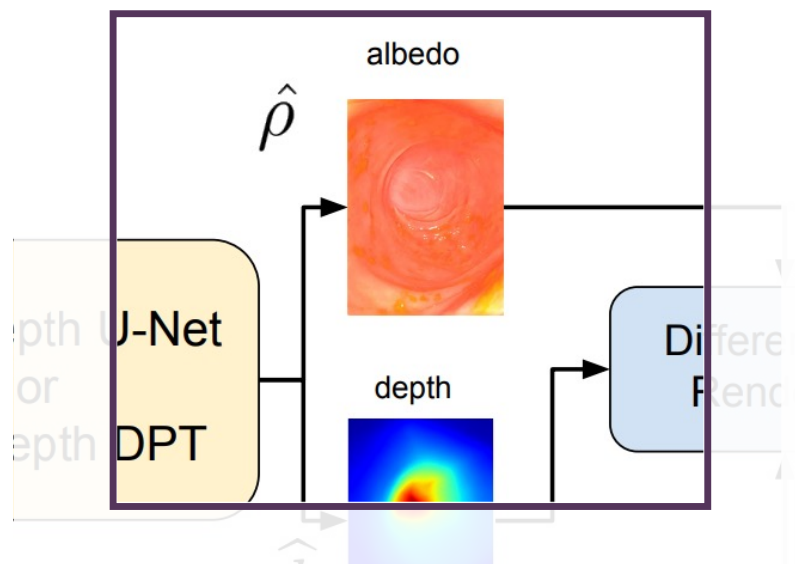
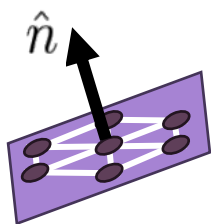
LightDepth



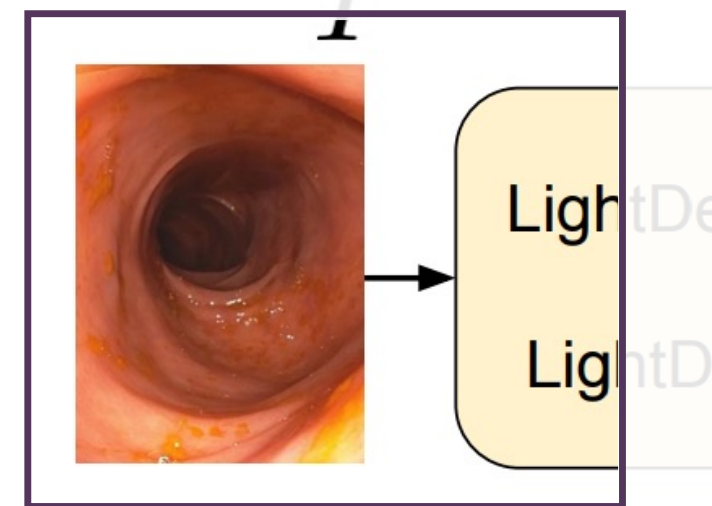
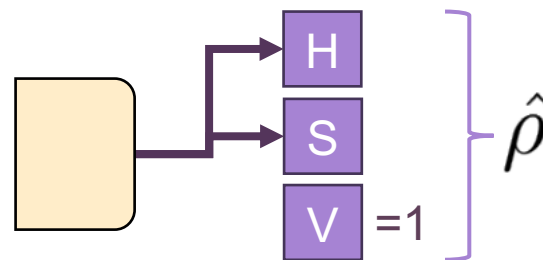
Key ideas



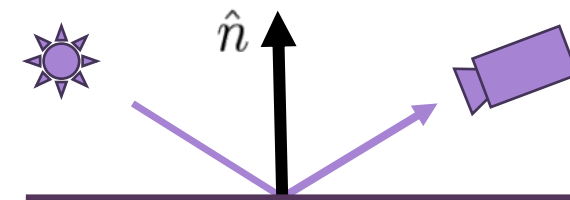
① Normals from Depth



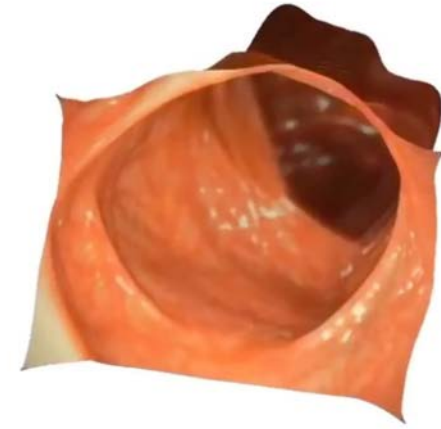
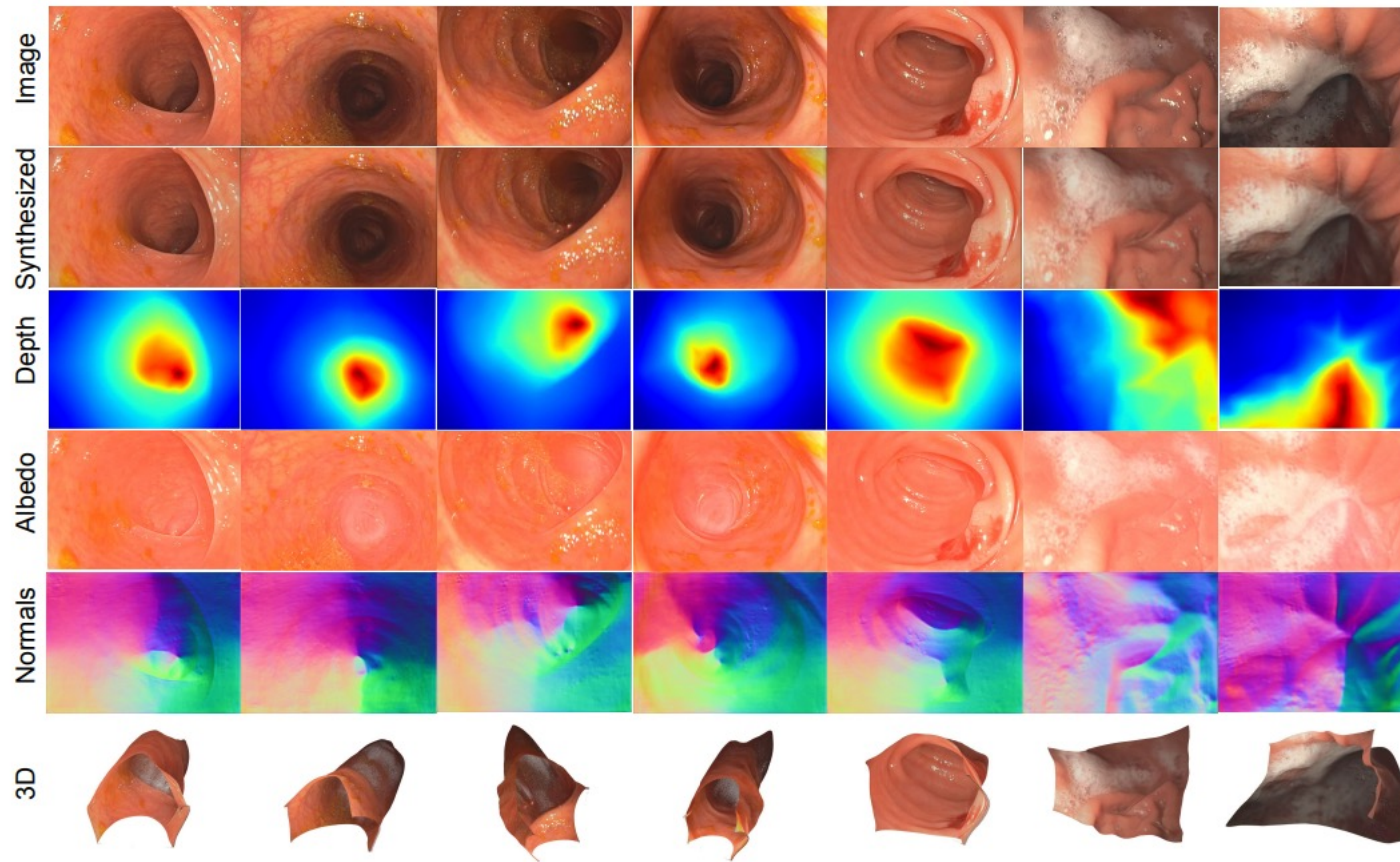
② Albedo prediction



③ Normals from highlights



Results inside the human colon



Comparison

Dataset	Architecture	Backbone	Supervision	MAE ↓	MedAE ↓	RMSE ↓	Depth [mm]					Normals [°]	
							RMSE _{log} ↓	Abs _{Rel} ↓	Sq _{Rel} ↓	$\delta < 1.25 \uparrow$	$\delta < 1.25^2 \uparrow$	$\delta < 1.25^3 \uparrow$	MAE ↓
Synthetic	U-Net	ResNet18	Depth GT	4.37	2.99	6.38	0.1251	0.0965	0.0008	0.9057	0.9931	0.9997	25.1
	LightDepth U-Net	ResNet18	Light	4.76	2.47	8.60	0.1375	0.0903	0.0011	0.9180	0.9820	0.9935	15.2
C3VD	U-Net	ResNet18	Depth GT	4.15	3.29	5.52	0.1139	0.0902	0.0007	0.9172	0.9943	0.9994	26.5
	DPT-Hybrid [48]	ResNet50	Depth GT	3.22	2.77	4.10	0.0860	0.0699	0.0004	0.9640	0.9865	0.9913	15.1
	Monodepth2 [20]	ResNet50	Multi-View	14.27	9.59	18.64	0.3921	0.2971	0.0070	0.4897	0.7313	0.8611	43.6
	CADepth [64]	ResNet18	Multi-View	52.35	17.04	87.43	0.9144	1.1916	0.2650	0.3664	0.5653	0.6679	67.2
	XDCycleGAN [42]	ResNet	Cycle	17.16	11.91	22.43	0.4953	0.3616	0.0105	0.4291	0.6615	0.7910	64.4
	LightDepth U-Net	ResNet18	Light	4.37	2.92	6.31	0.1183	0.0856	0.0007	0.9315	0.9934	0.9994	24.0
	LightDepth DPT	ResNet50	Light	3.94	2.67	5.60	0.1080	0.08046	0.0006	0.9476	0.9965	0.9994	<u>21.3</u>
	LightDepth U-Net	ResNet18	Light (TTR)	3.72	2.59	5.43	0.1060	0.0770	0.0005	0.9505	0.9971	0.9994	23.5
	LightDepth DPT	ResNet50	Light (TTR)	<u>3.70</u>	2.58	<u>5.27</u>	0.1073	0.0780	<u>0.0005</u>	0.9525	0.9961	<u>0.9992</u>	22.5

Table 1. Depth and normal metrics for several architectures and supervision modes. Best results per dataset are boldfaced, second best underlined.

- LightDepth (TTR) is the closest to Depth GT supervision



LightNeus: Neural Surface Reconstruction in Endoscopy using Illumination Decline

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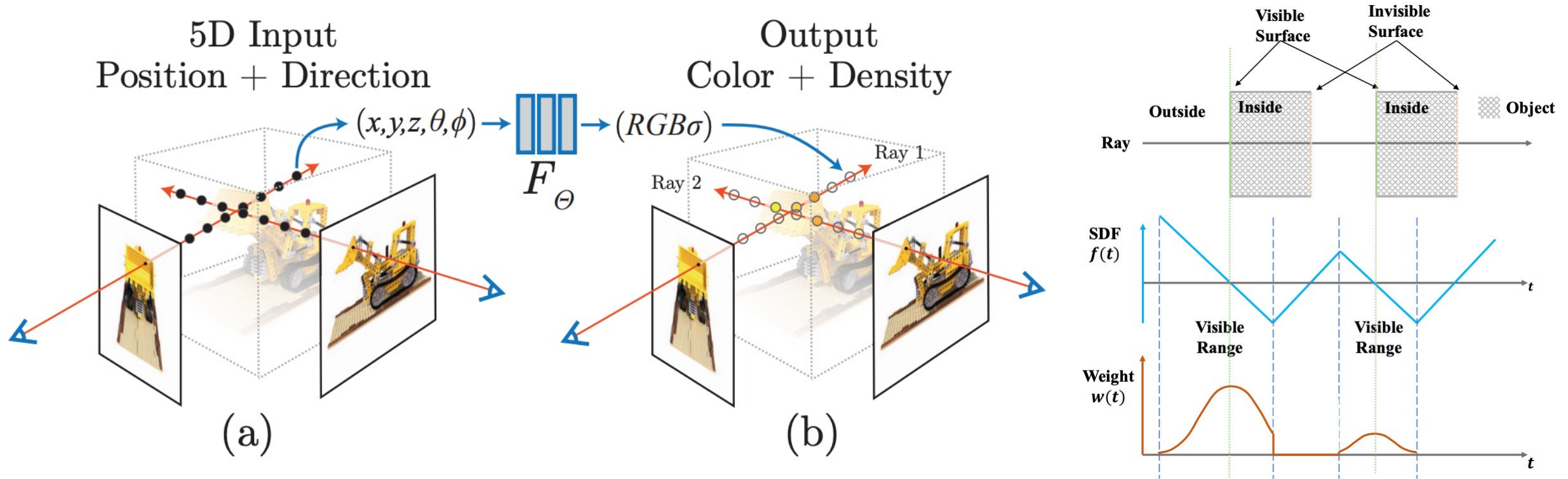
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What if we want...

- A **dense** model
- From a **whole section**
- **Globally** optimized

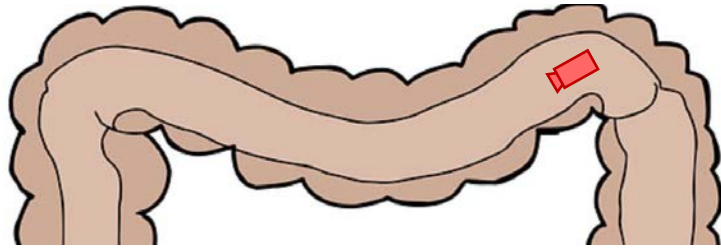
What's NeuS?



Mildenhall et al. (2020). NeRF: Representing scenes as neural radiance fields for view synthesis.

Wang et al. (2021). NeuS: Learning neural implicit surfaces by volume rendering for multi-view reconstruction.

NeRF inside the human colon? How?



Key ideas

- **Watertight** surfaces.
- Co-located **illumination decline**.

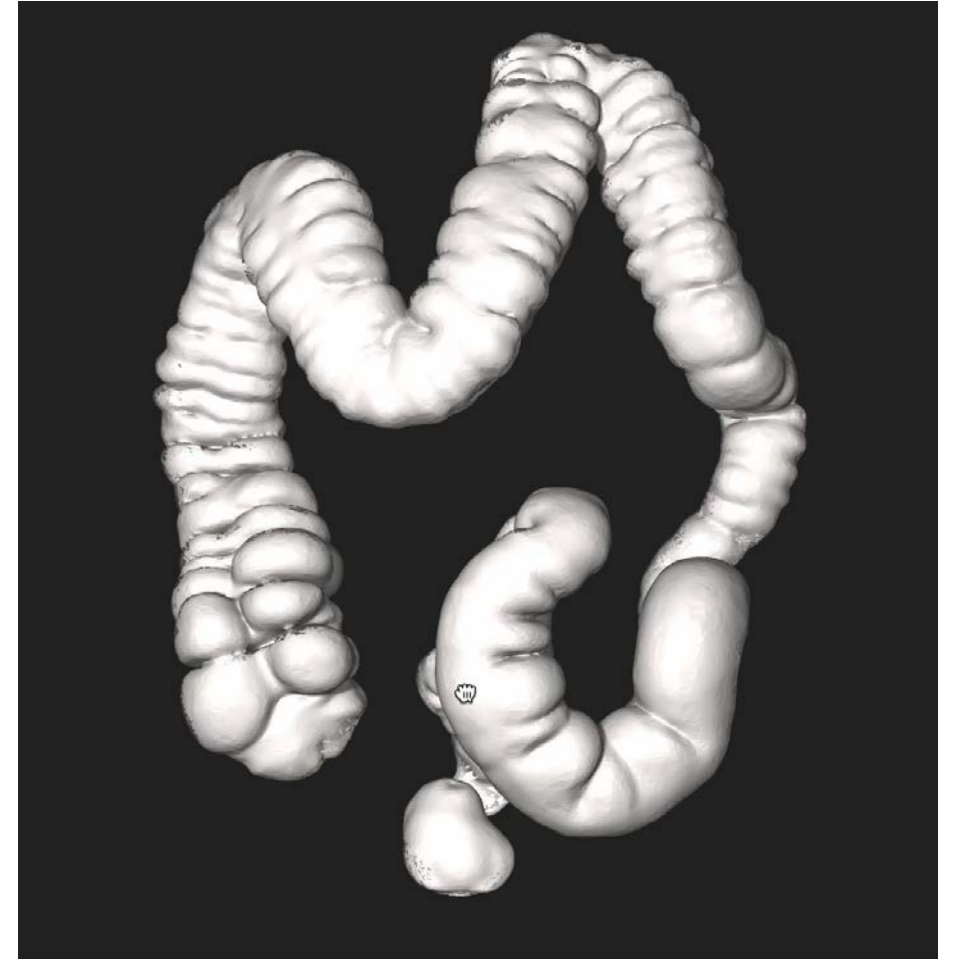
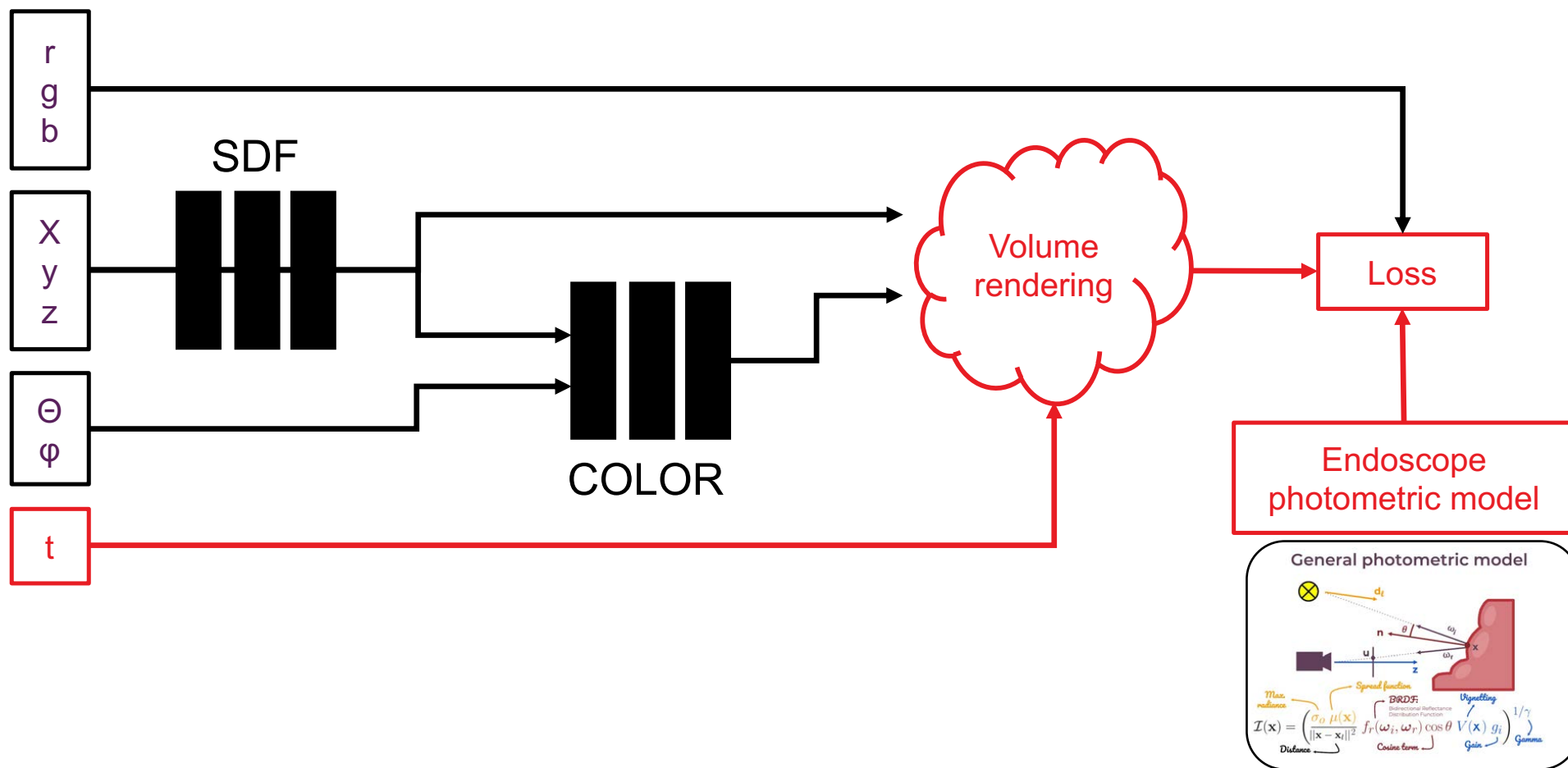
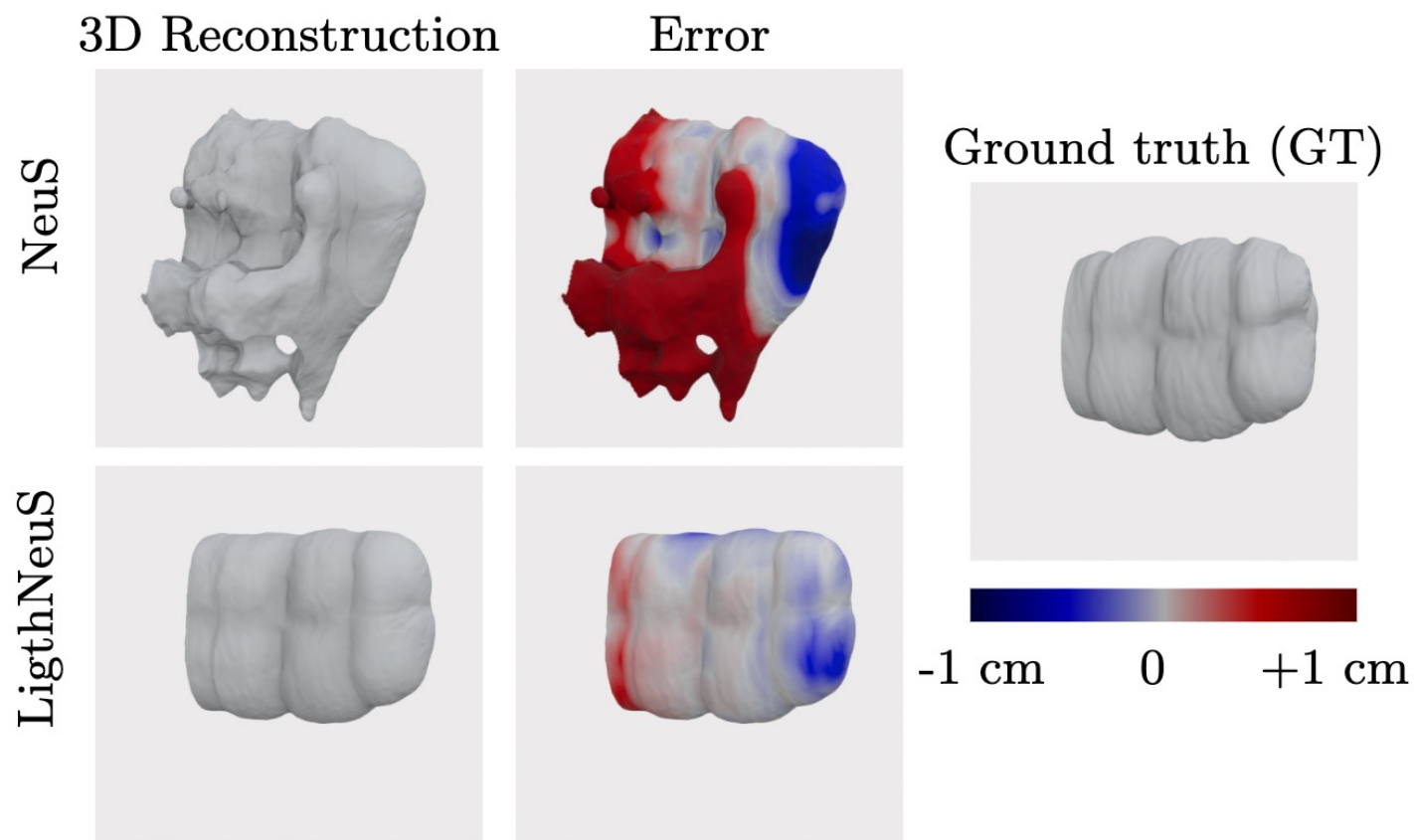


Image of a human colon from a CT scan.
Source: Nevit Dilmen @ Wikipedia

LightNeuS

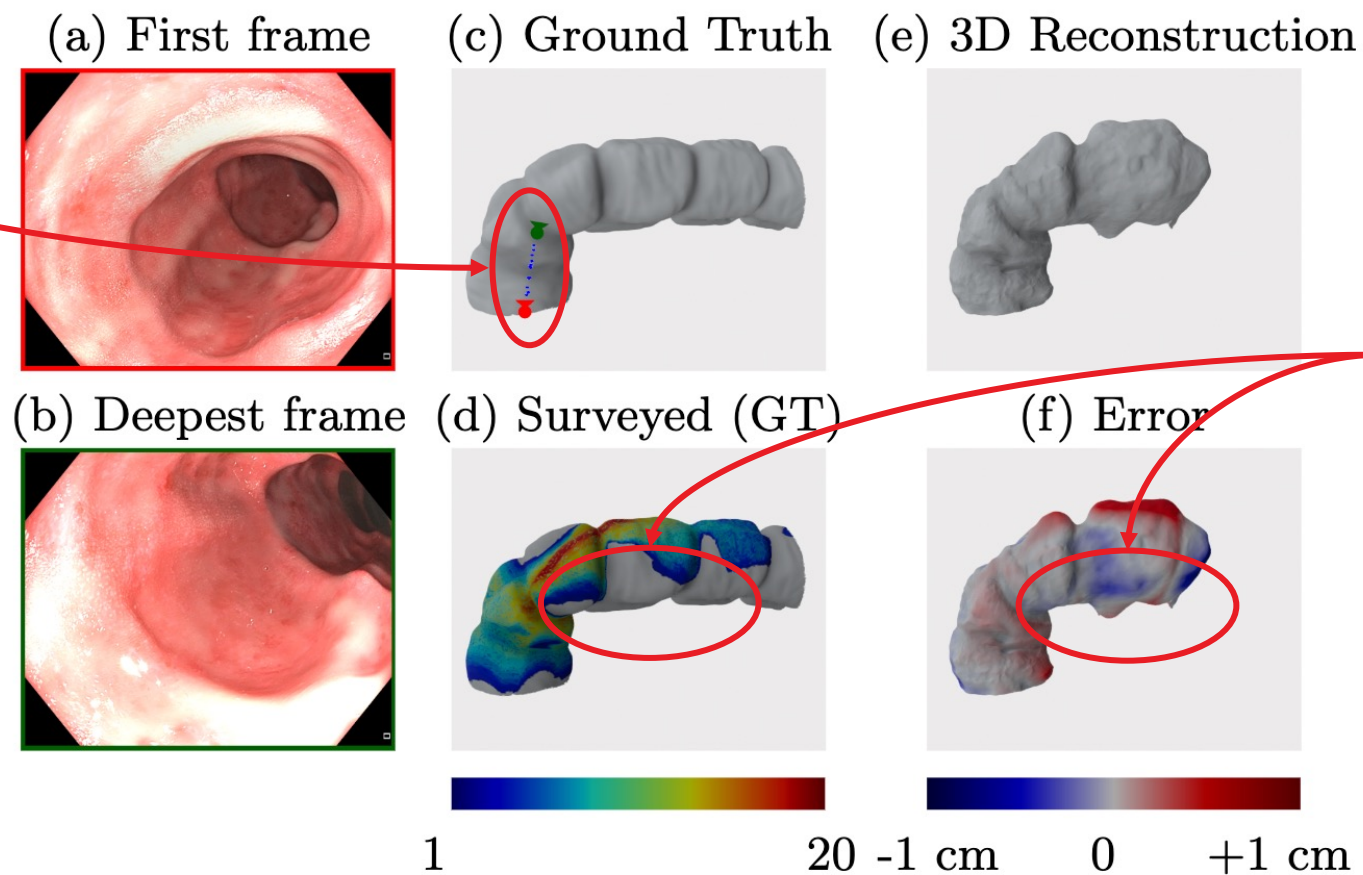


NeuS vs LightNeuS



Partially observed regions

Short camera trajectory



Unseen area



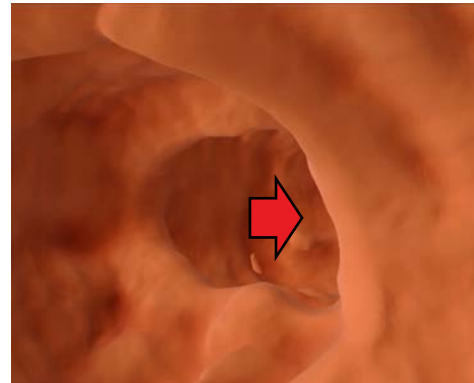
After inspecting a colon section,

Future work

Make it work in real-time!



Automatic report writing



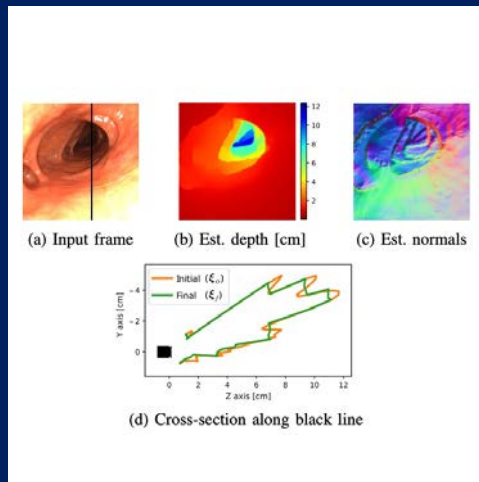
Real-time directions to unexplored areas



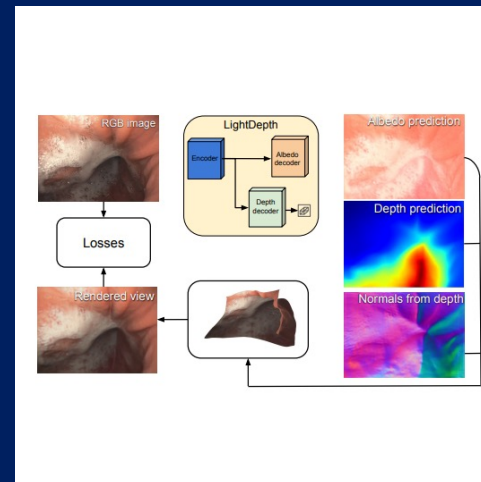
Full deformable model

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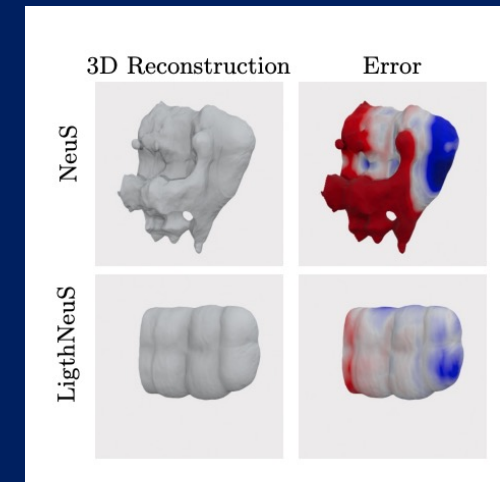
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