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Coherent Spatiotemporal Filtering, Upsampling and Rendering of RGBZ Videos

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Unfiltered depth map

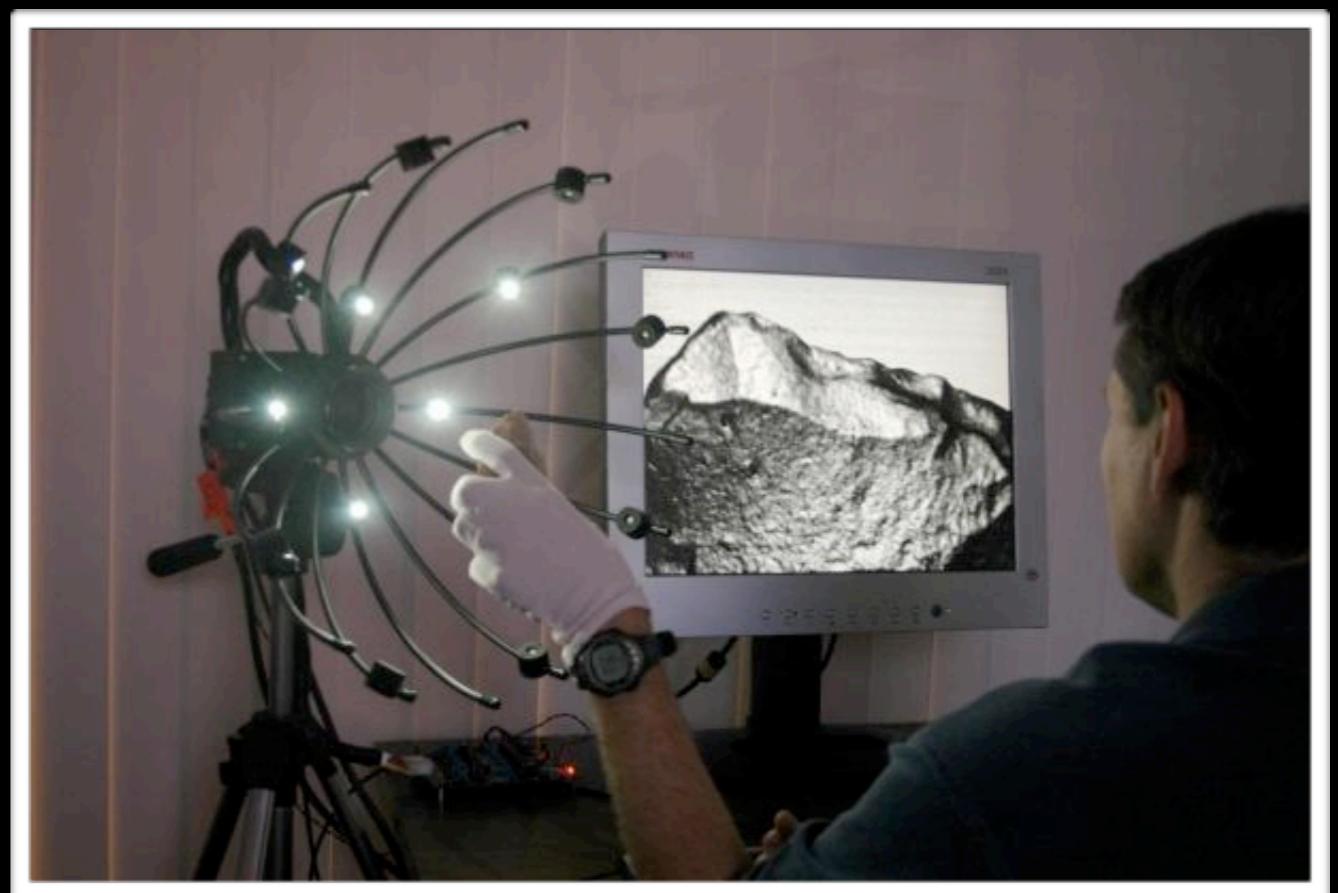
Introduction & motivation

- our work tackles the noisy, low-resolution depth data:
filter colour + depth to upsample and denoise depth
- capturing colour + depth enables a variety of
compelling, previously impossible video effects
- prototype video camera + video processing algorithms
= effective and robust capture of RGBZ video
- result: dynamic, temporally coherent scene geometry,
calculated at interactive frame rates

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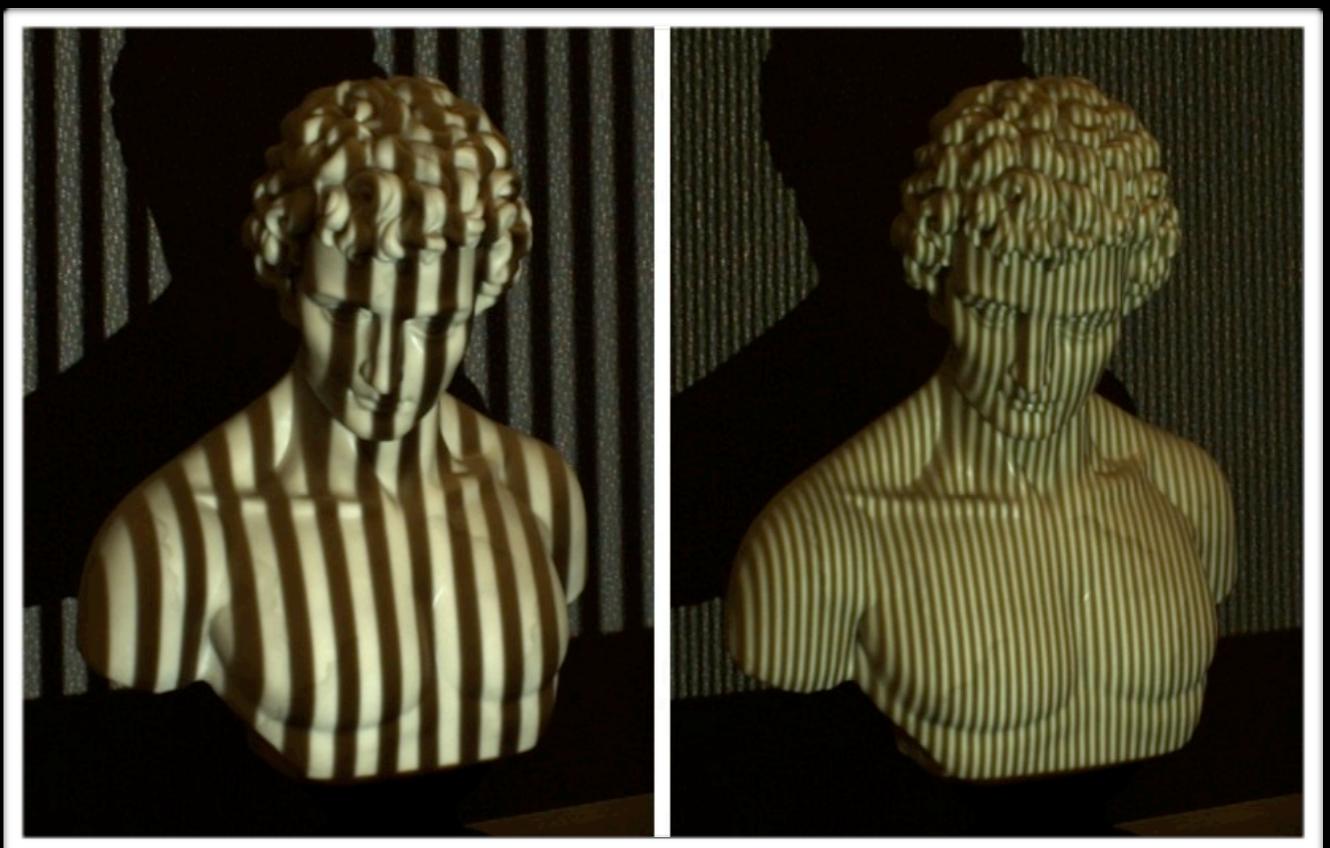
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[Lanman and Taubin 2009]

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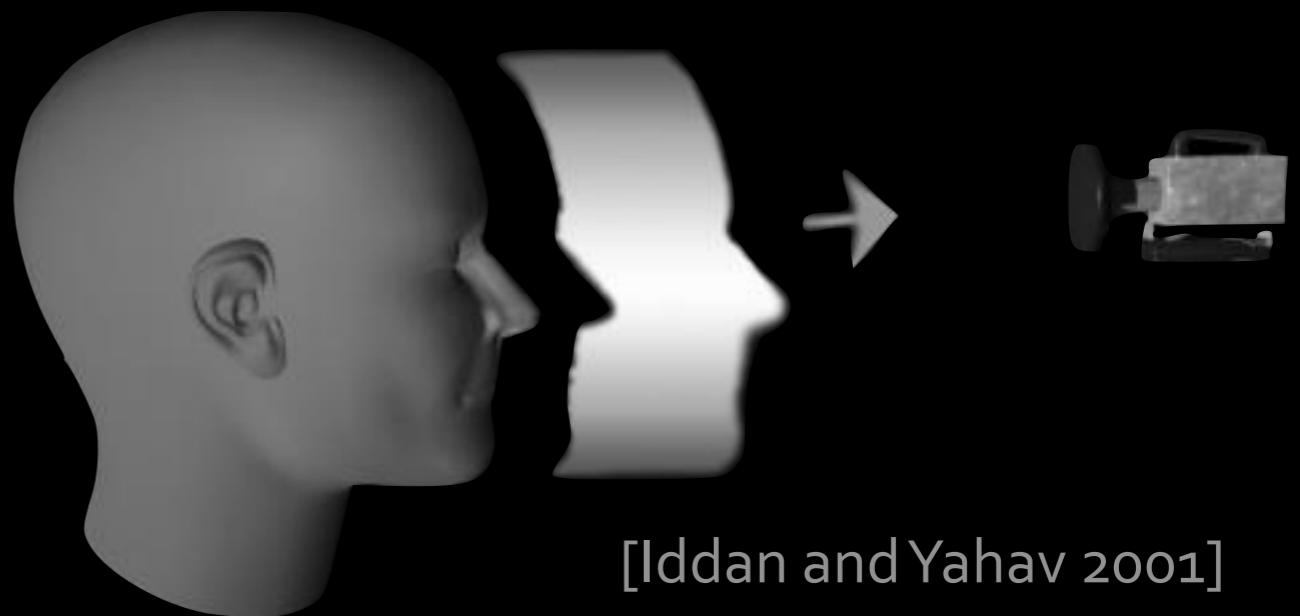
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[Scharstein and Szeliski 2003]

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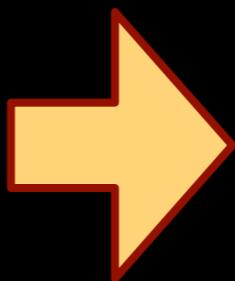
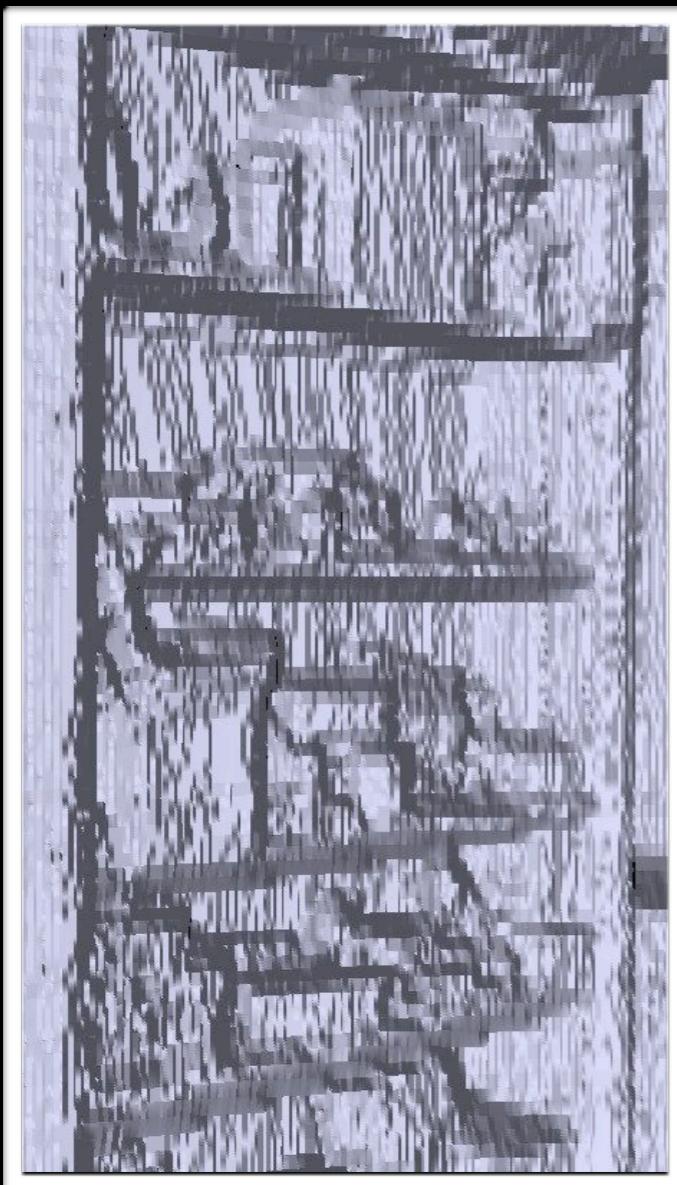


[Iddan and Yahav 2001]

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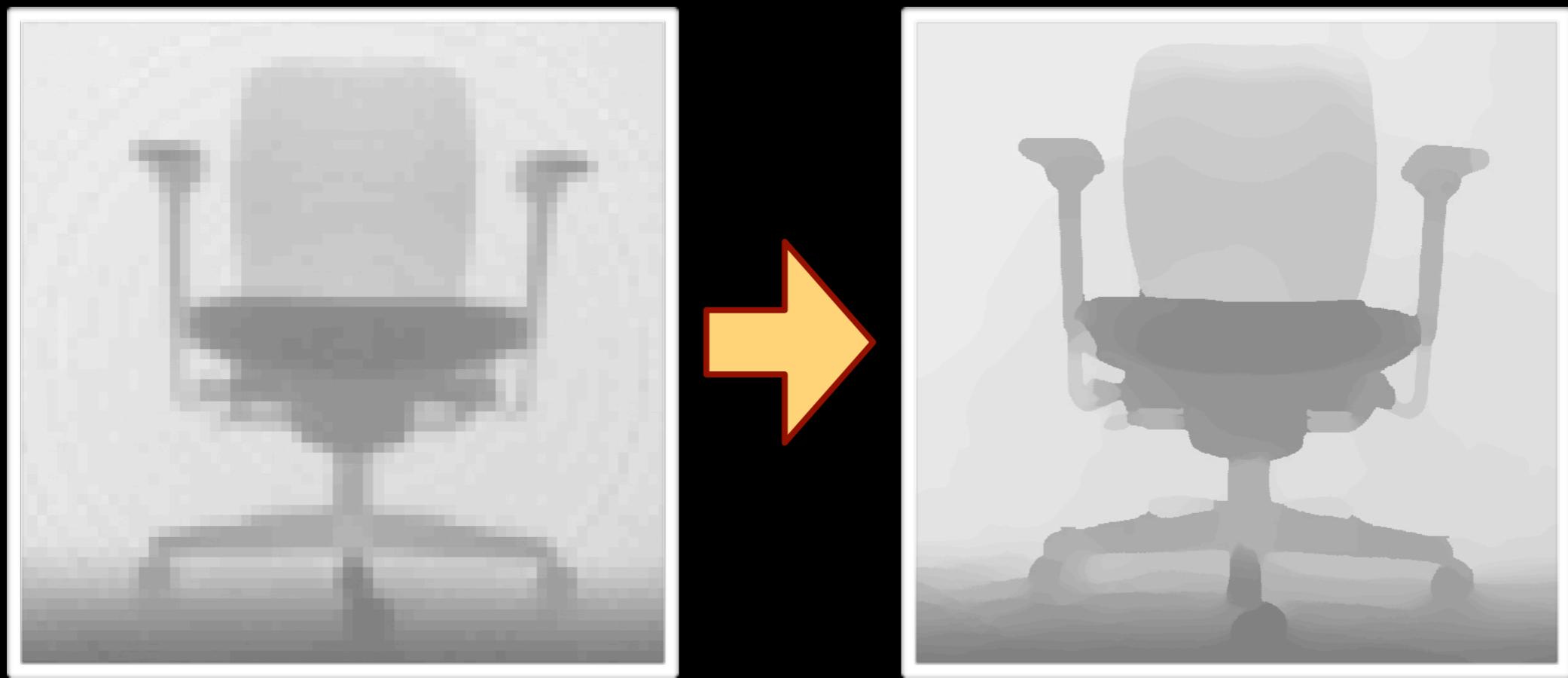
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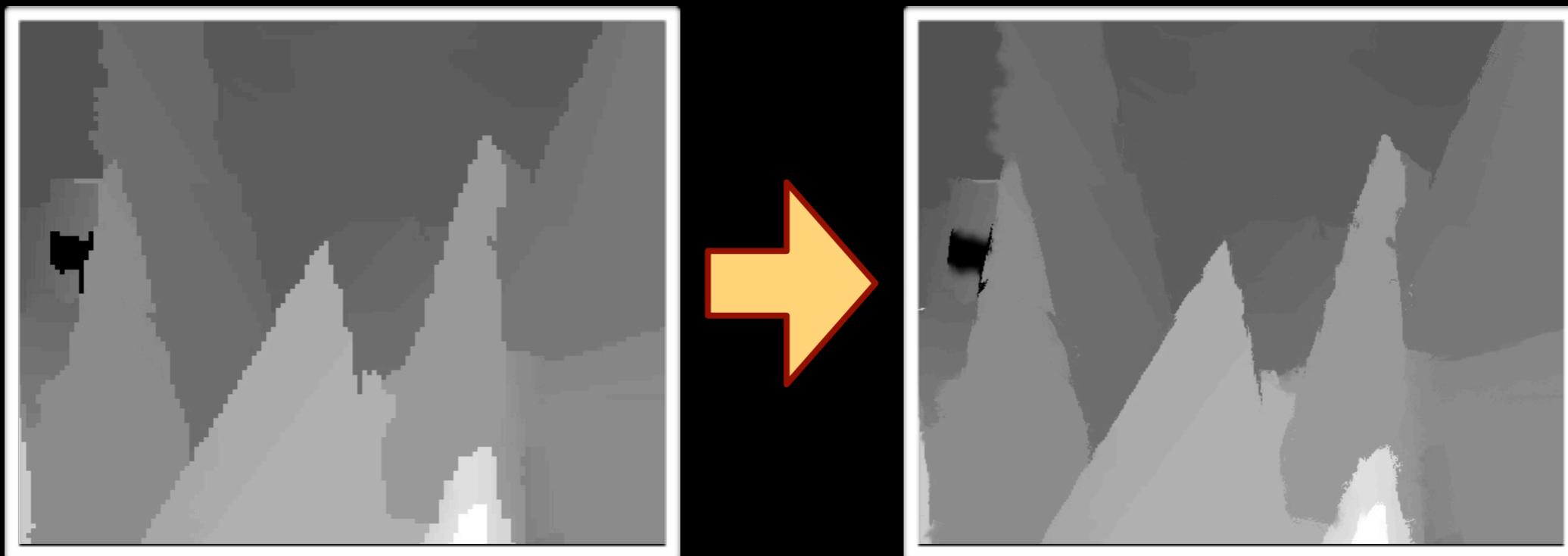
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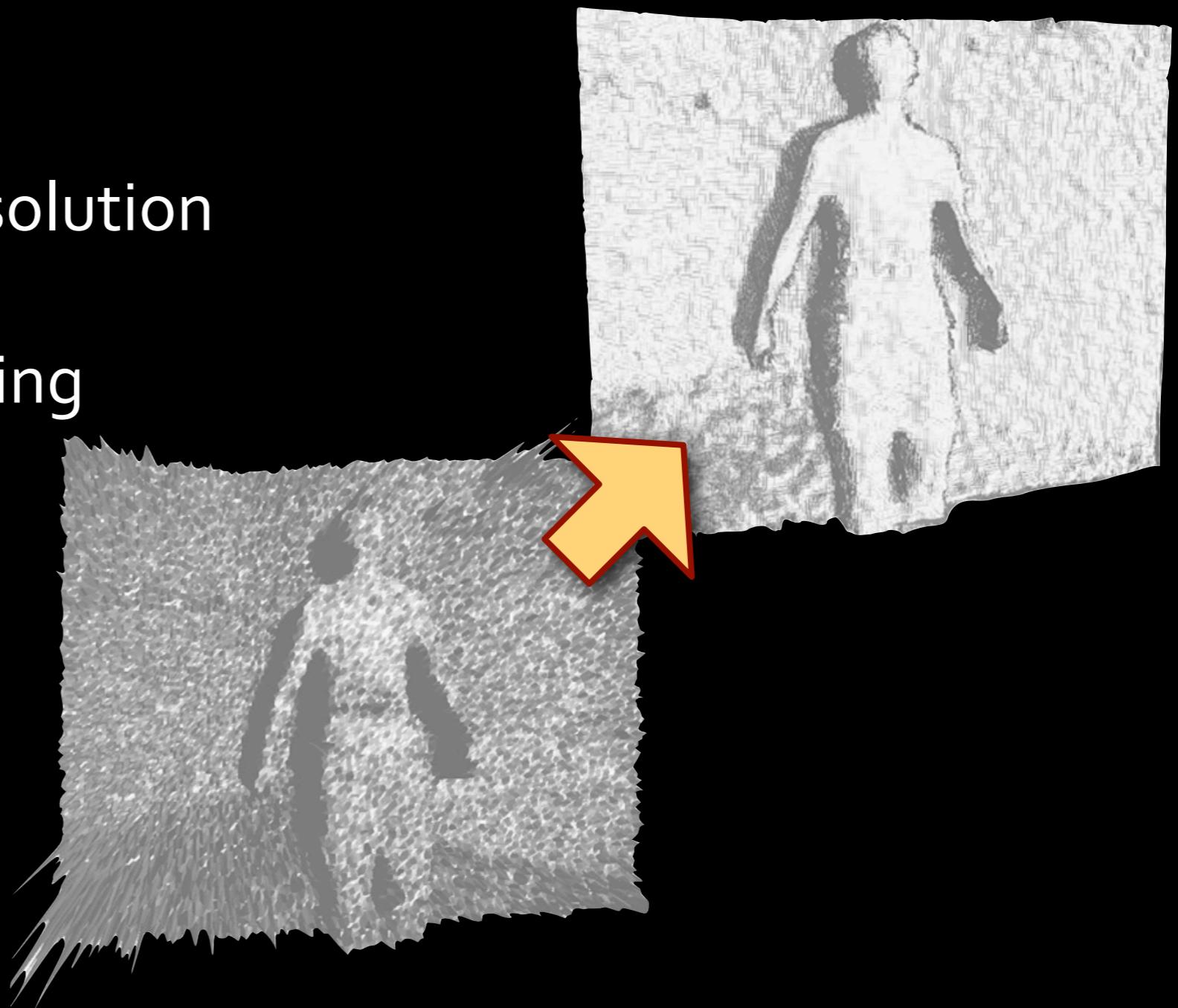
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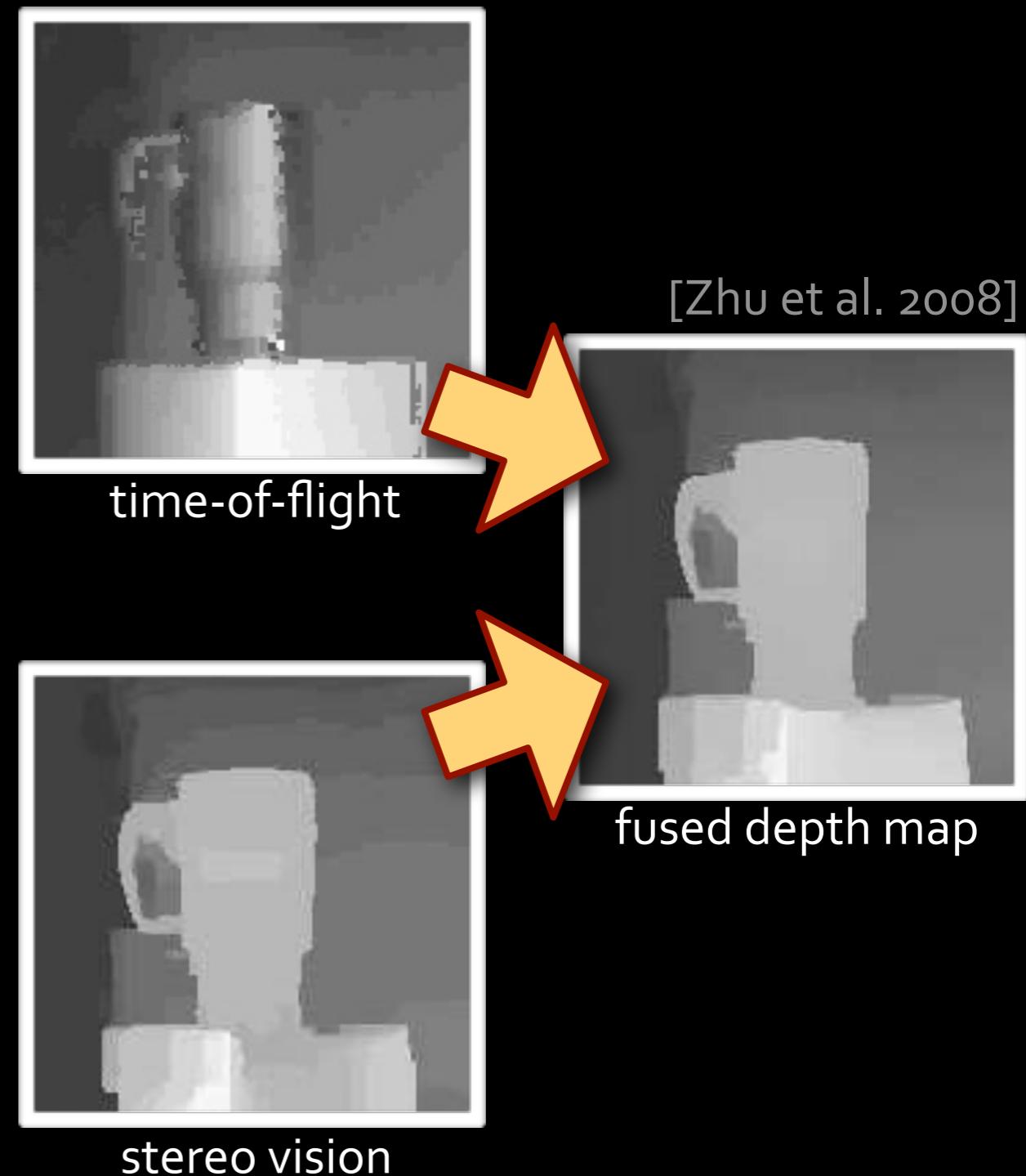
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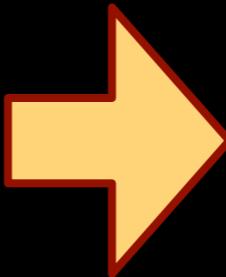
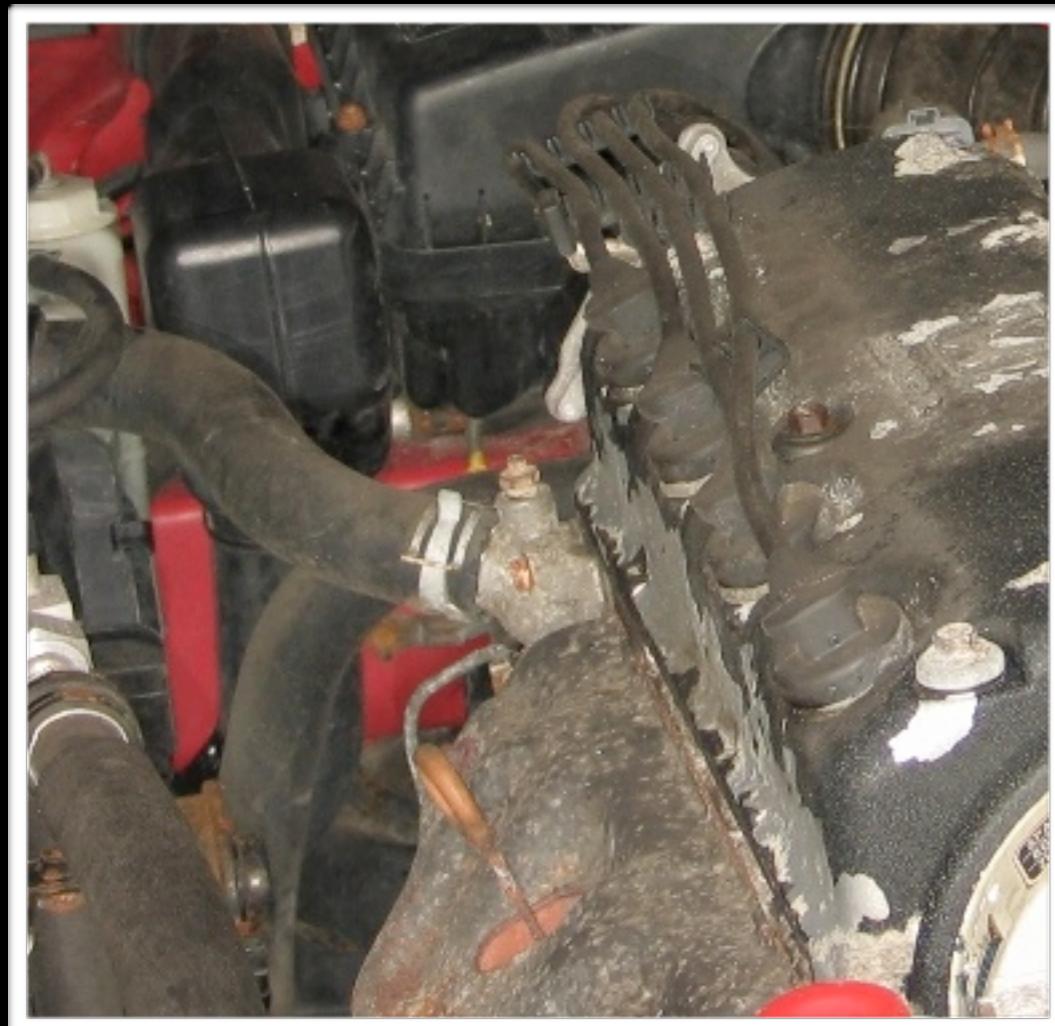
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- upsampling dynamic range data
[Dolson et al. 2010]



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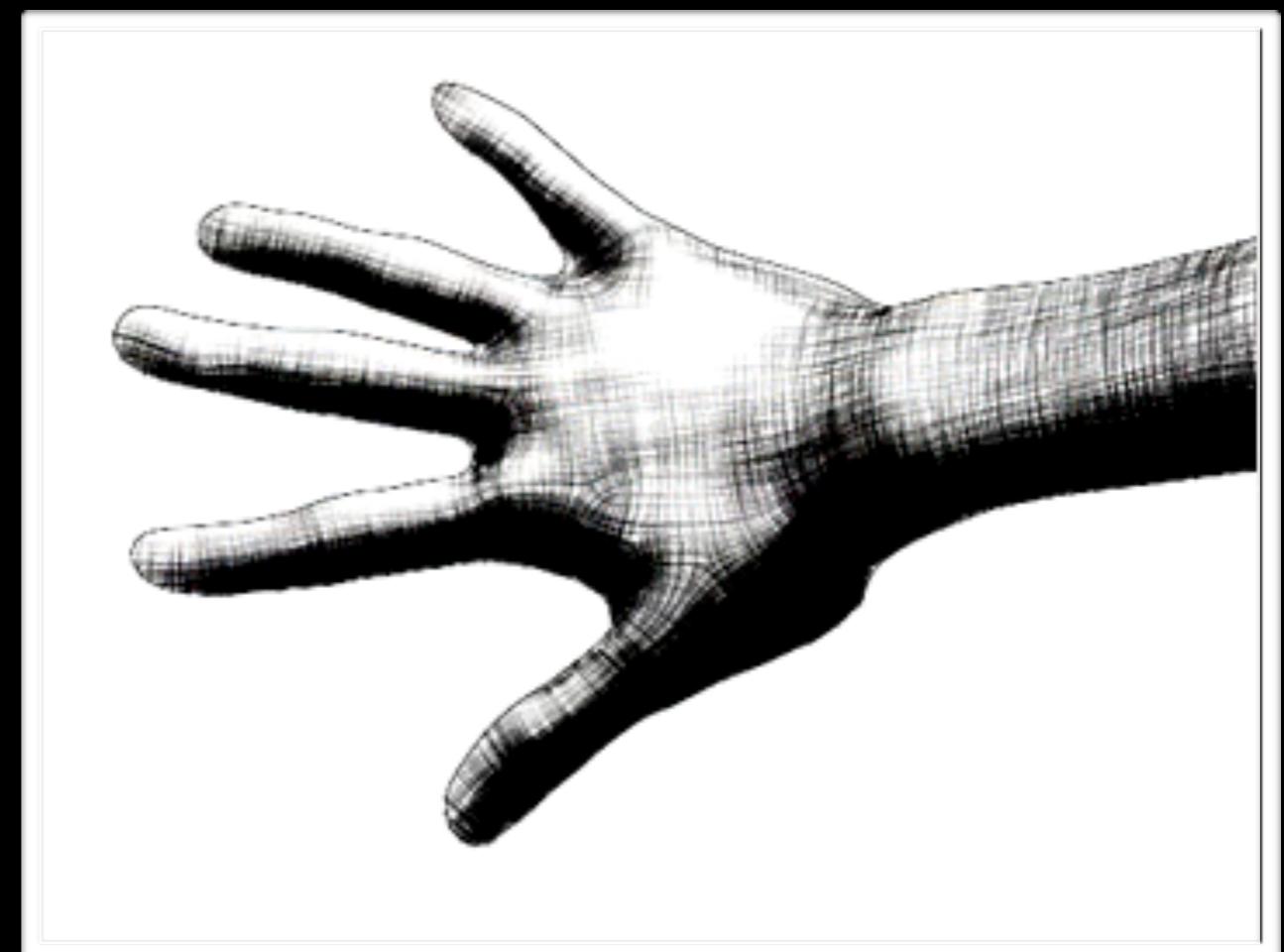
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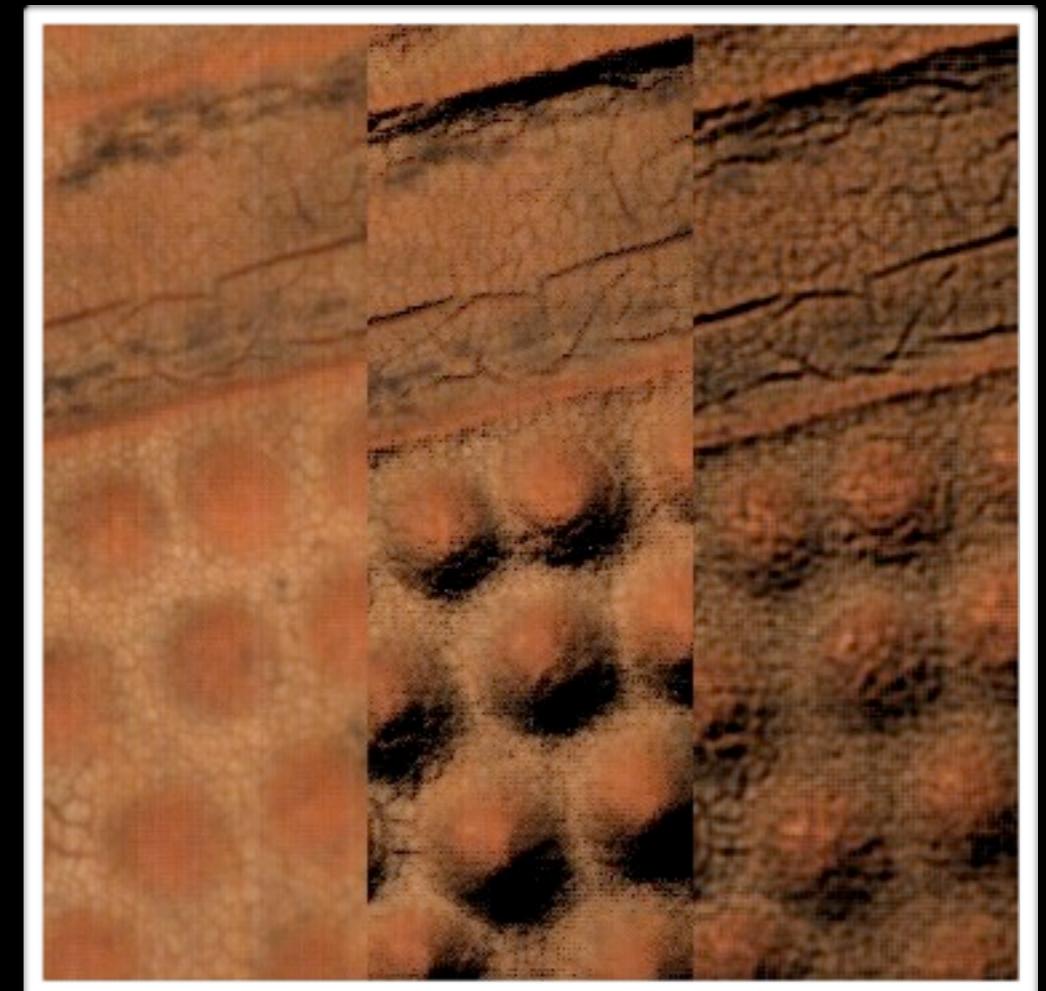
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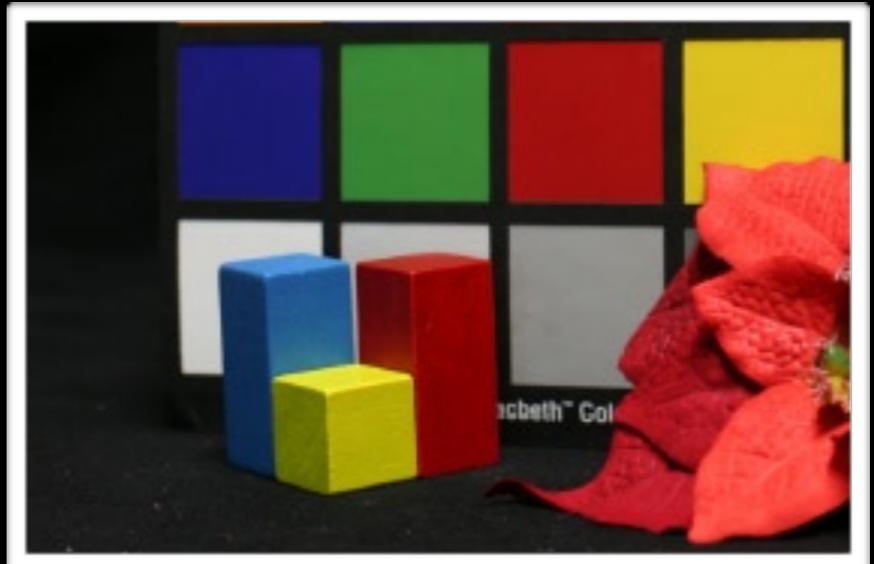
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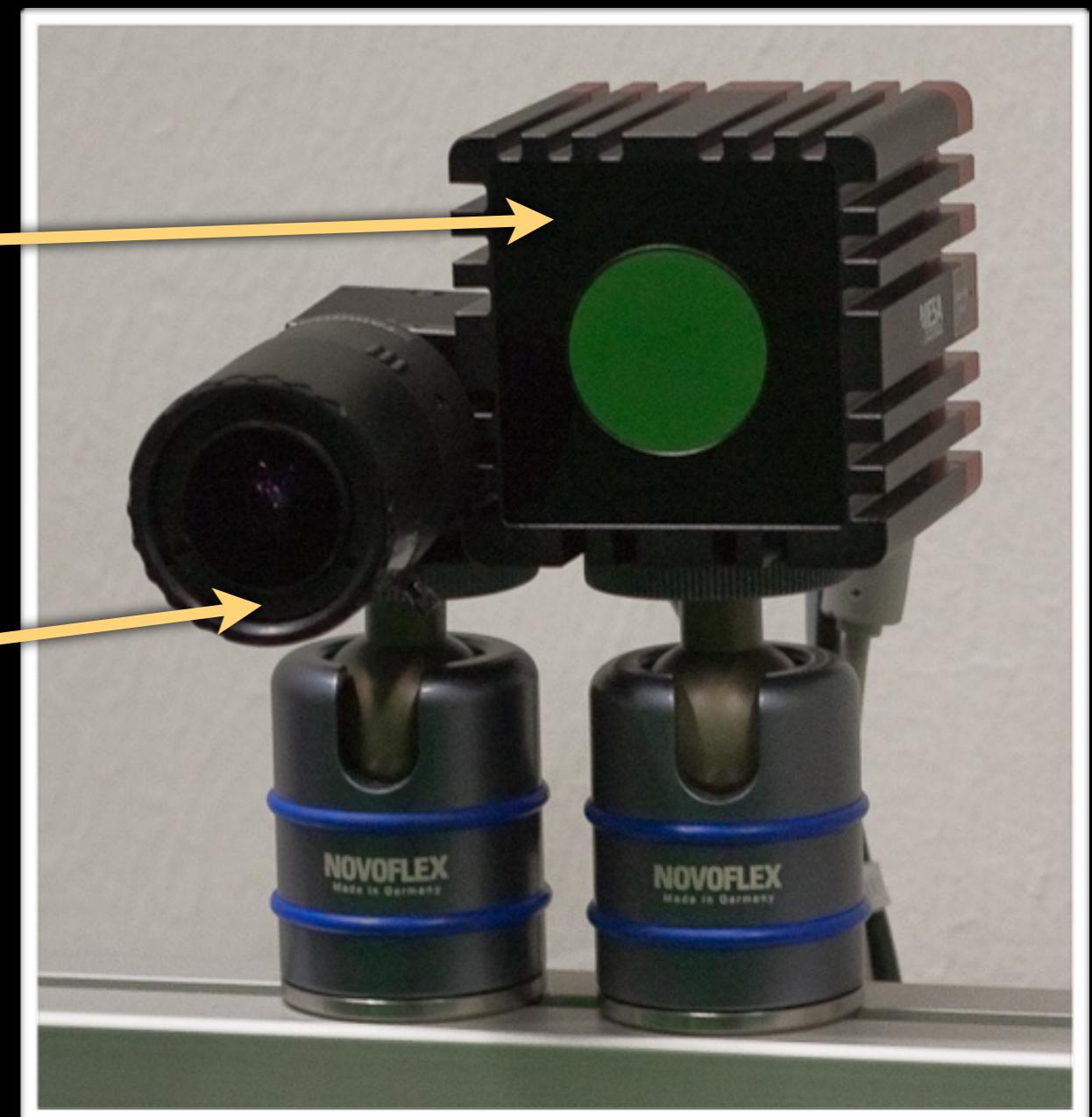
- **context-aware light source**

[Wang et al. 2010]



Prototype camera hardware

- depth sensor:
 - MESA Imaging SR4000
 - 176×144 resolution
- video camera:
 - PointGrey Flea2
 - 1024×768 resolution
- hardware synchronised



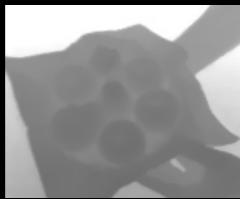
Microsoft Kinect

- low-cost IR-based active stereo + colour camera in one case
- our approach is also applicable to the Kinect
- but our prototype gives us full hardware + software control

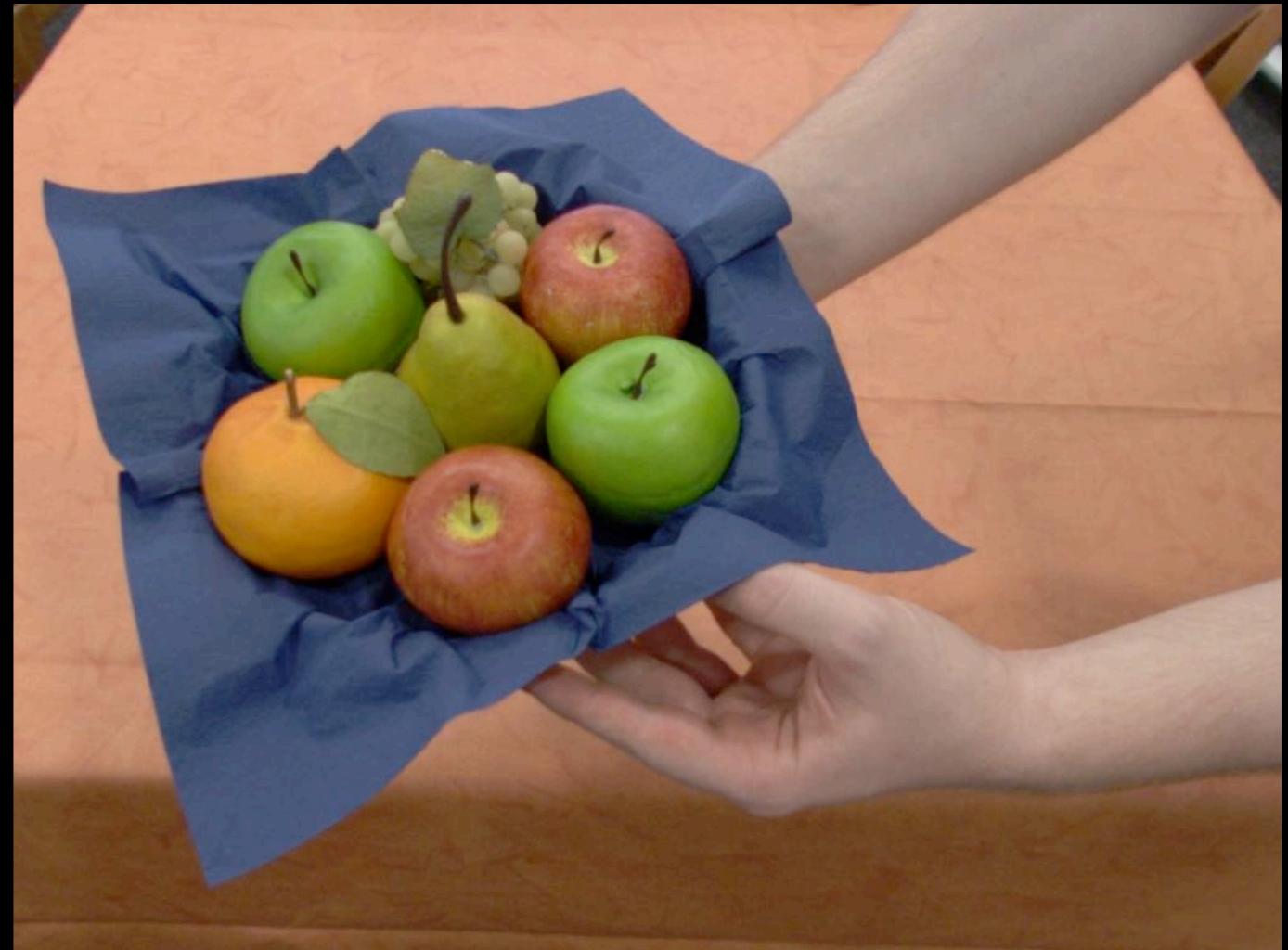


Points to address

- Resolution mismatch



176×144



1024×768

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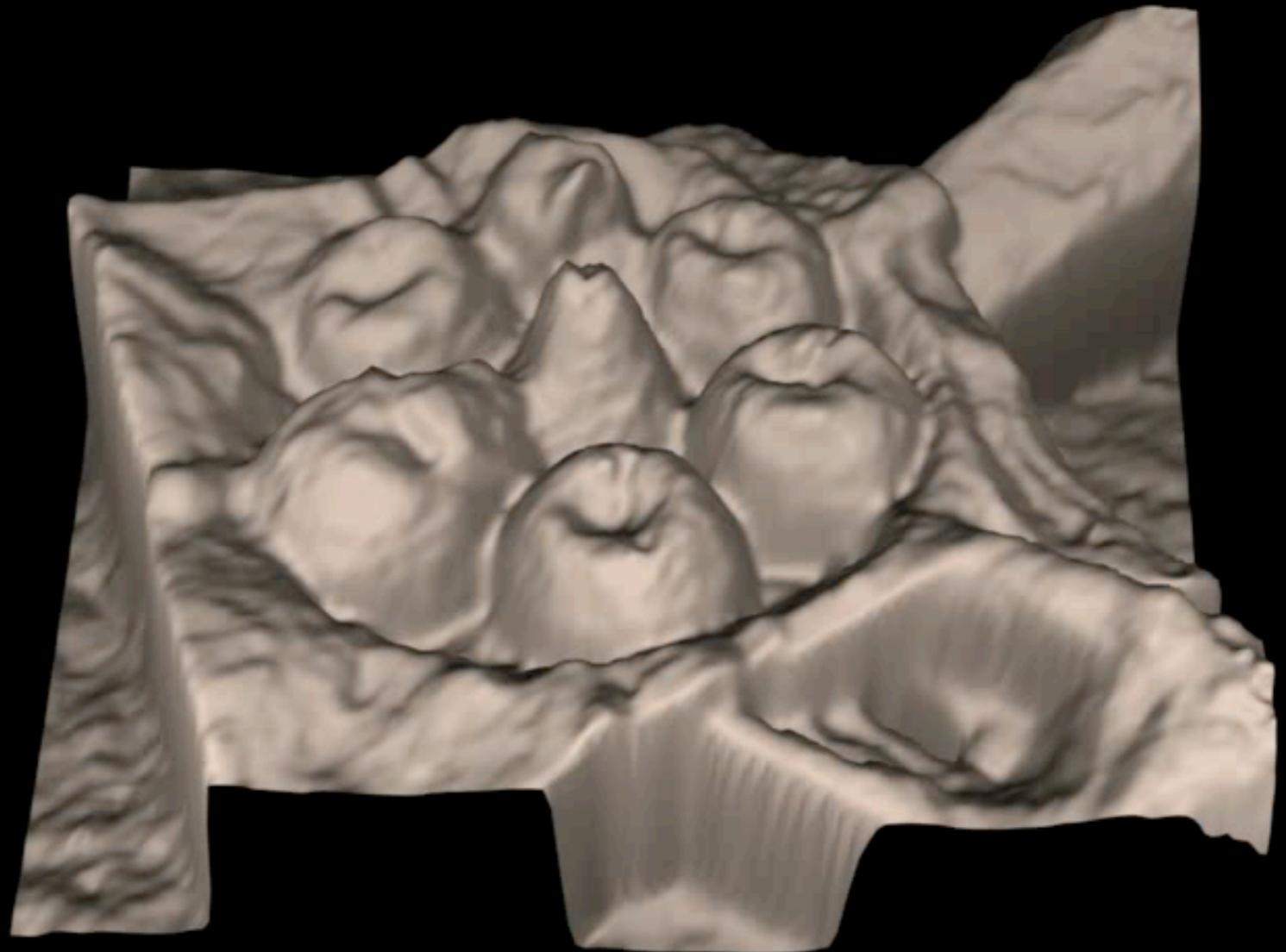
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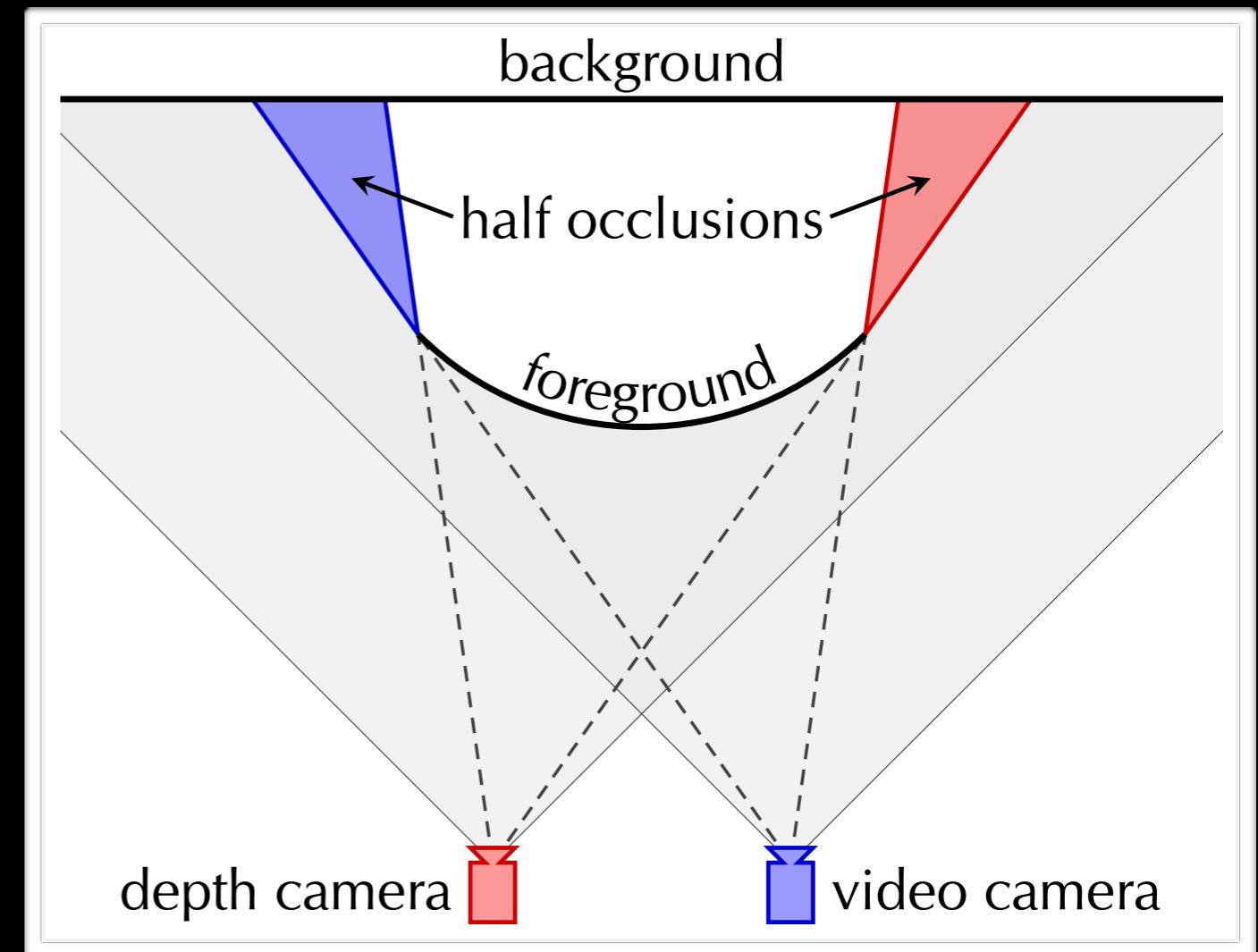
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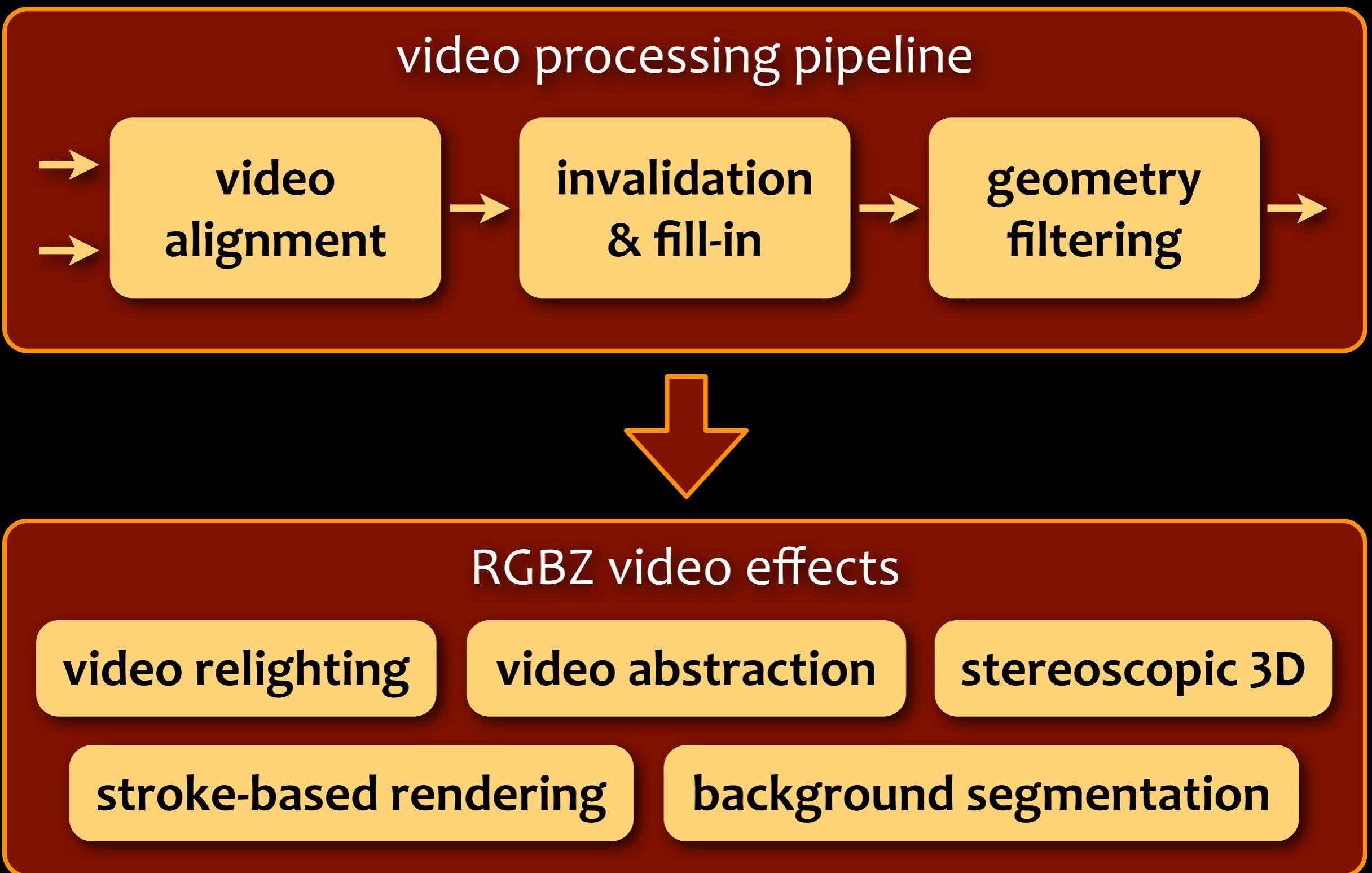
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- Noisy depth data

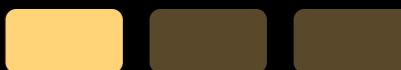


Points to address

- Resolution mismatch
- Video alignment
- Noisy depth data
- Half-occlusions



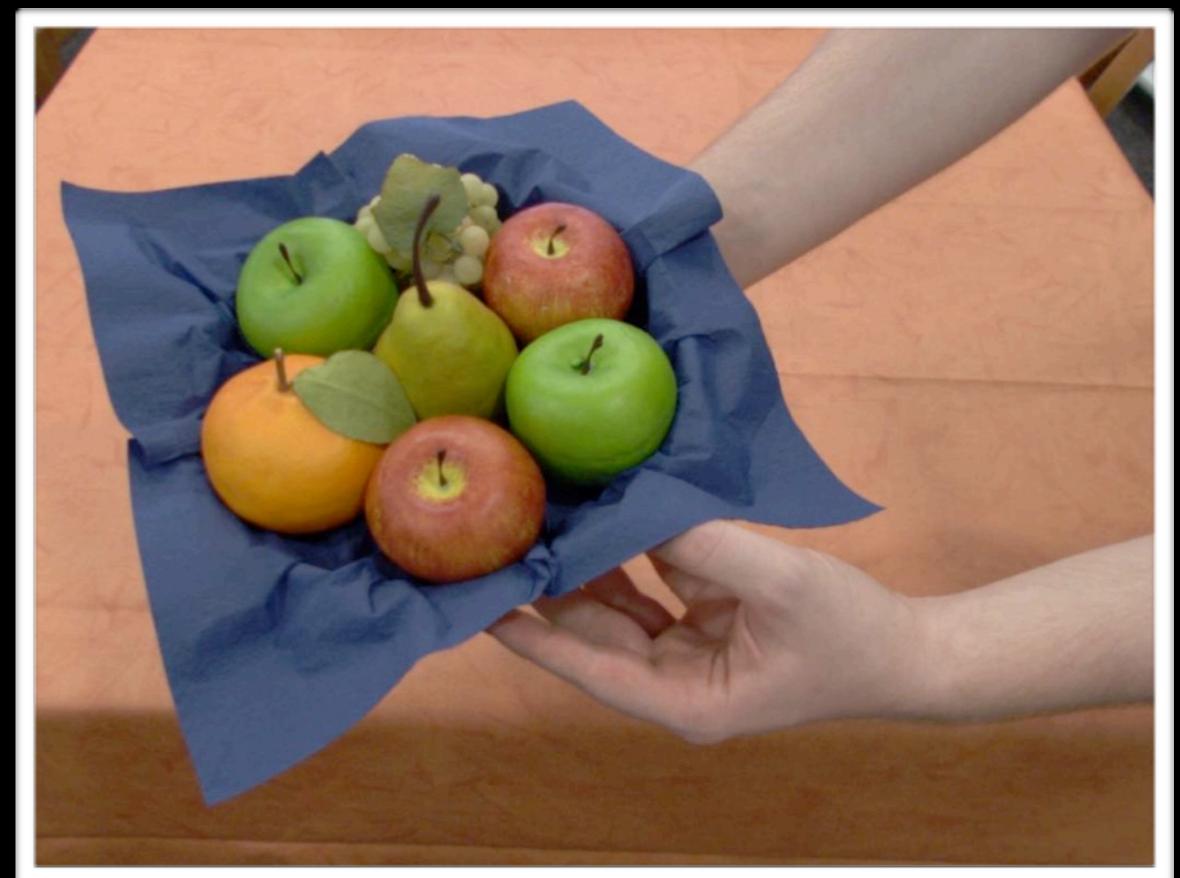




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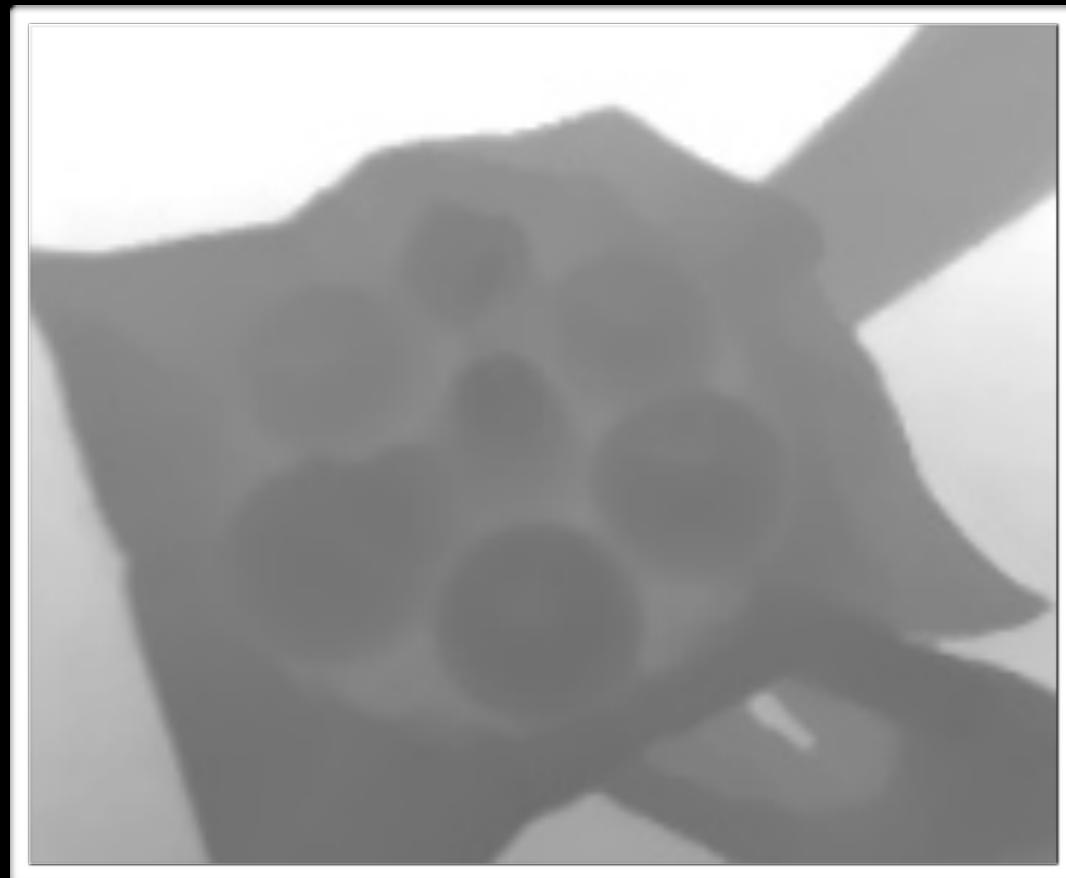
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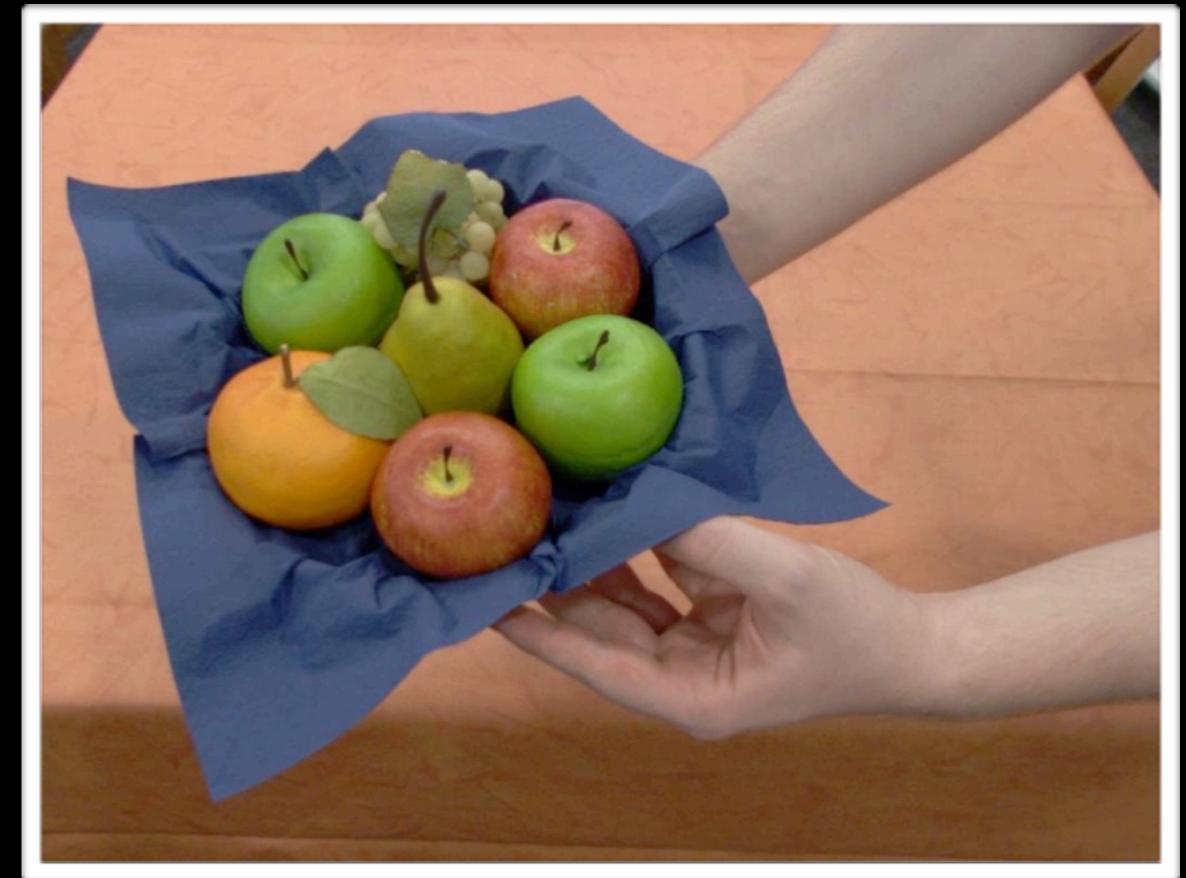
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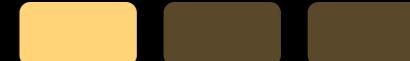
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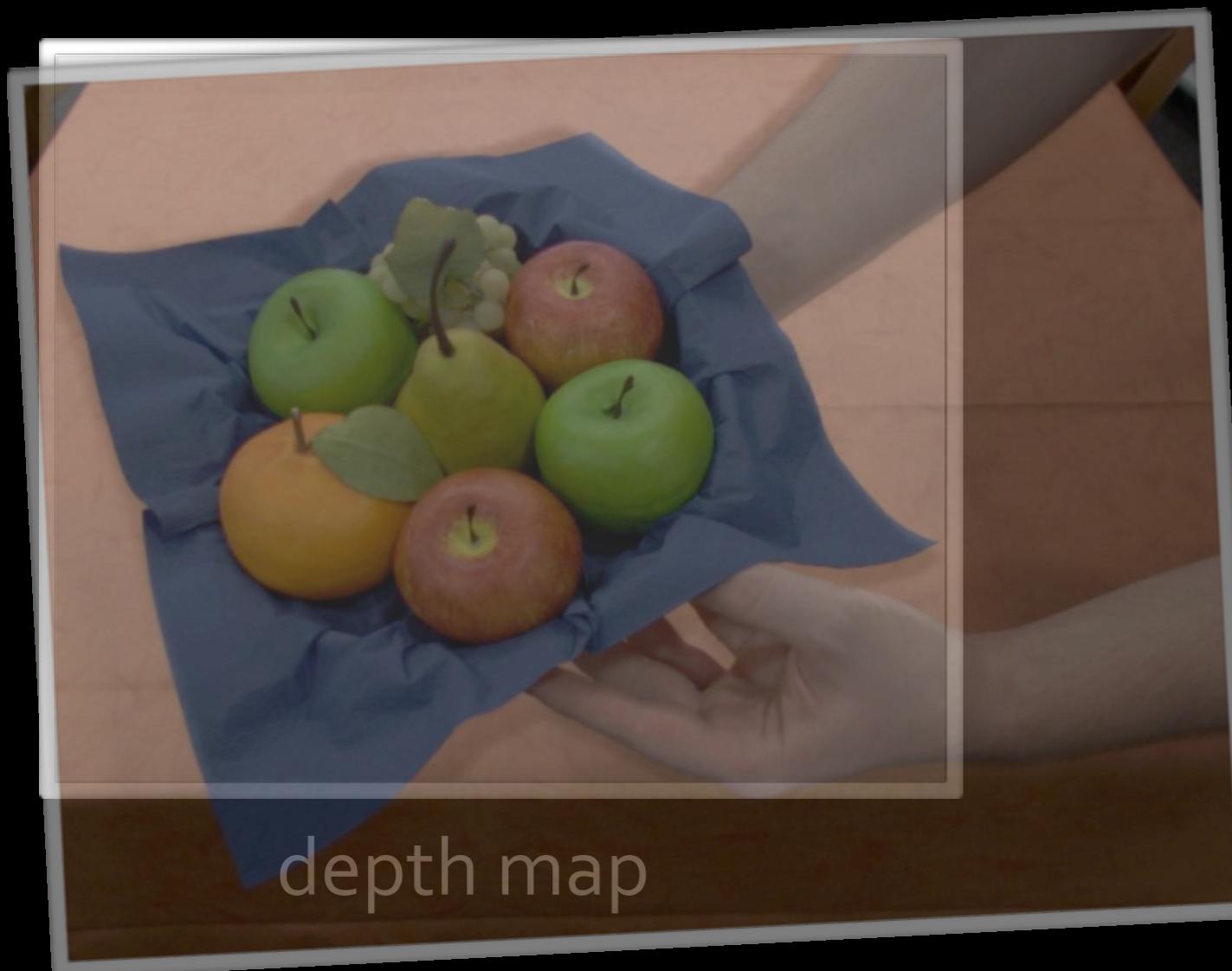
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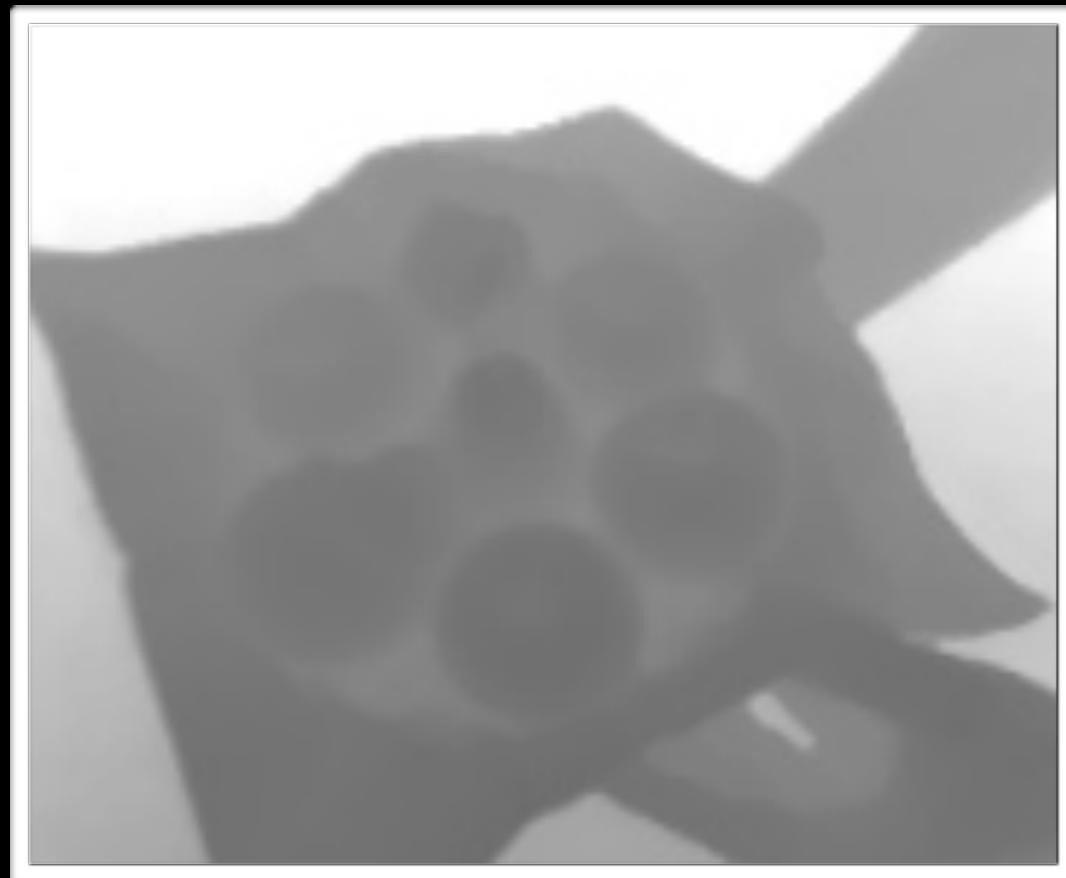
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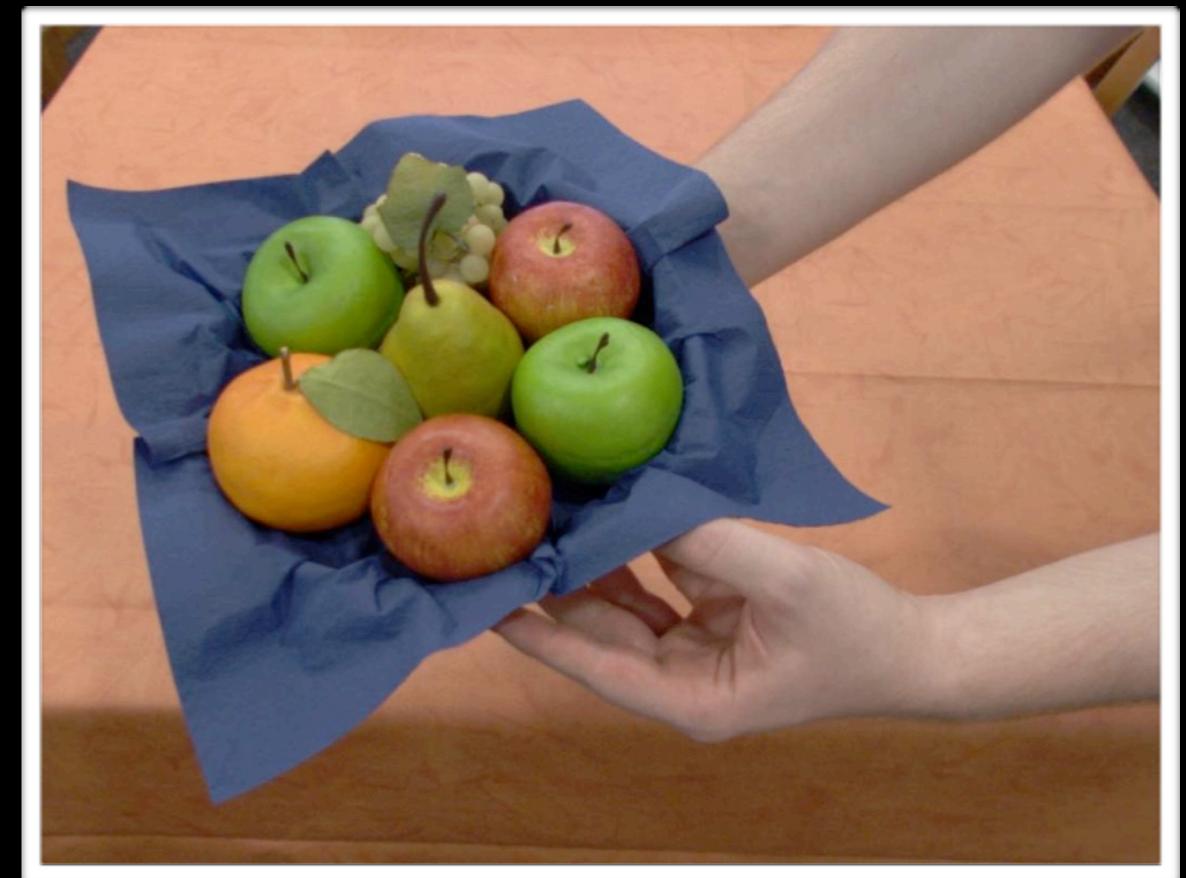
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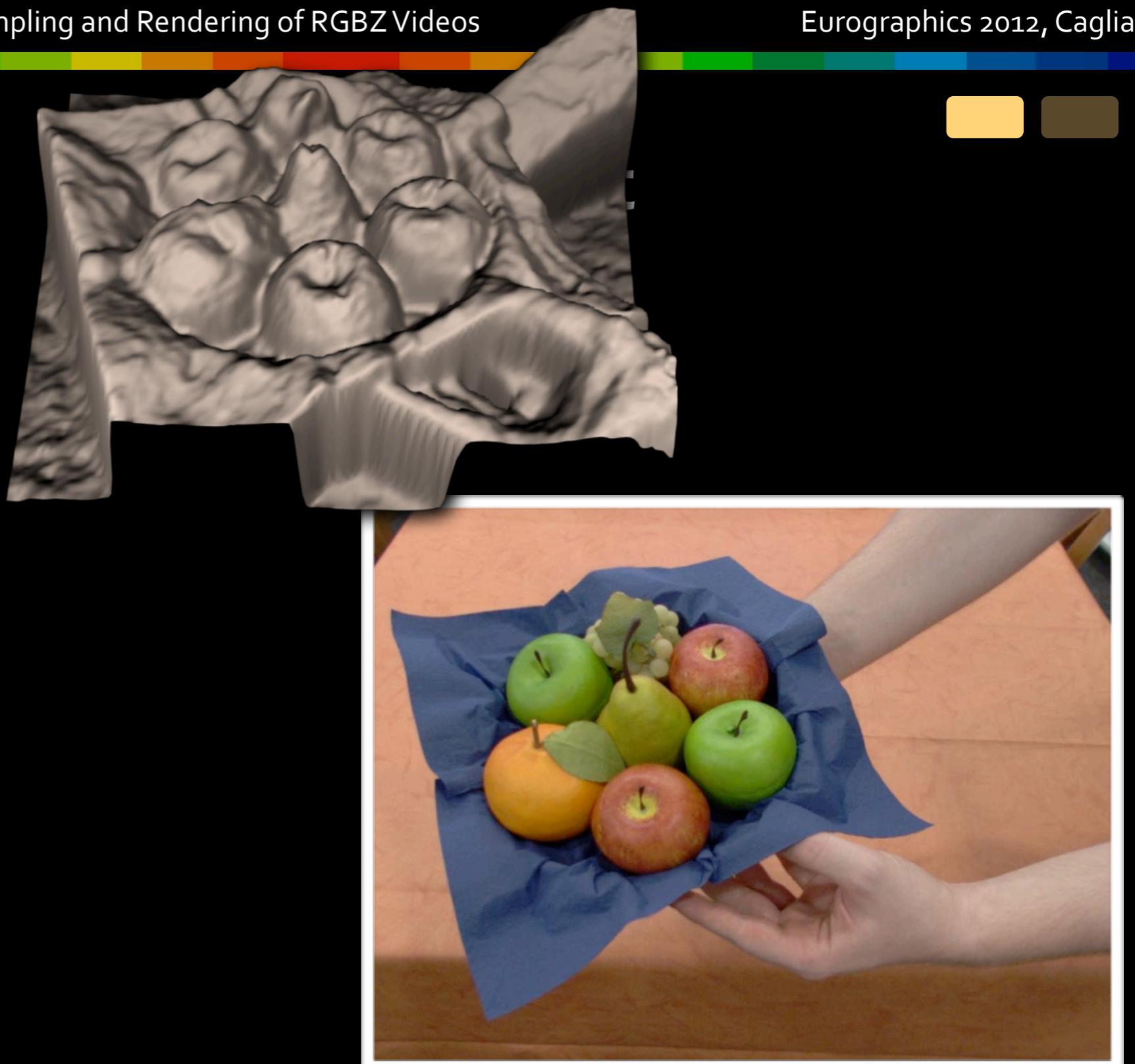
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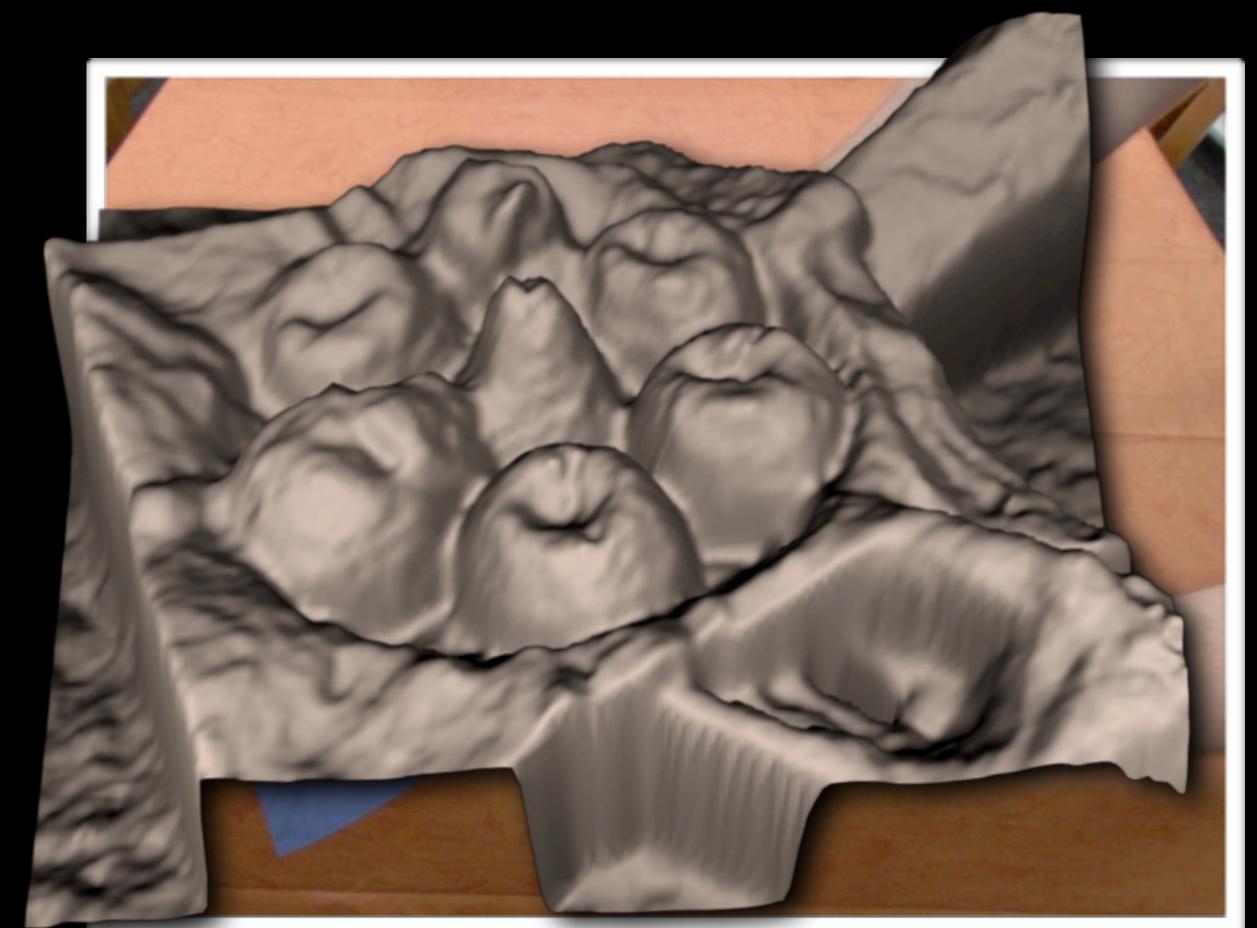


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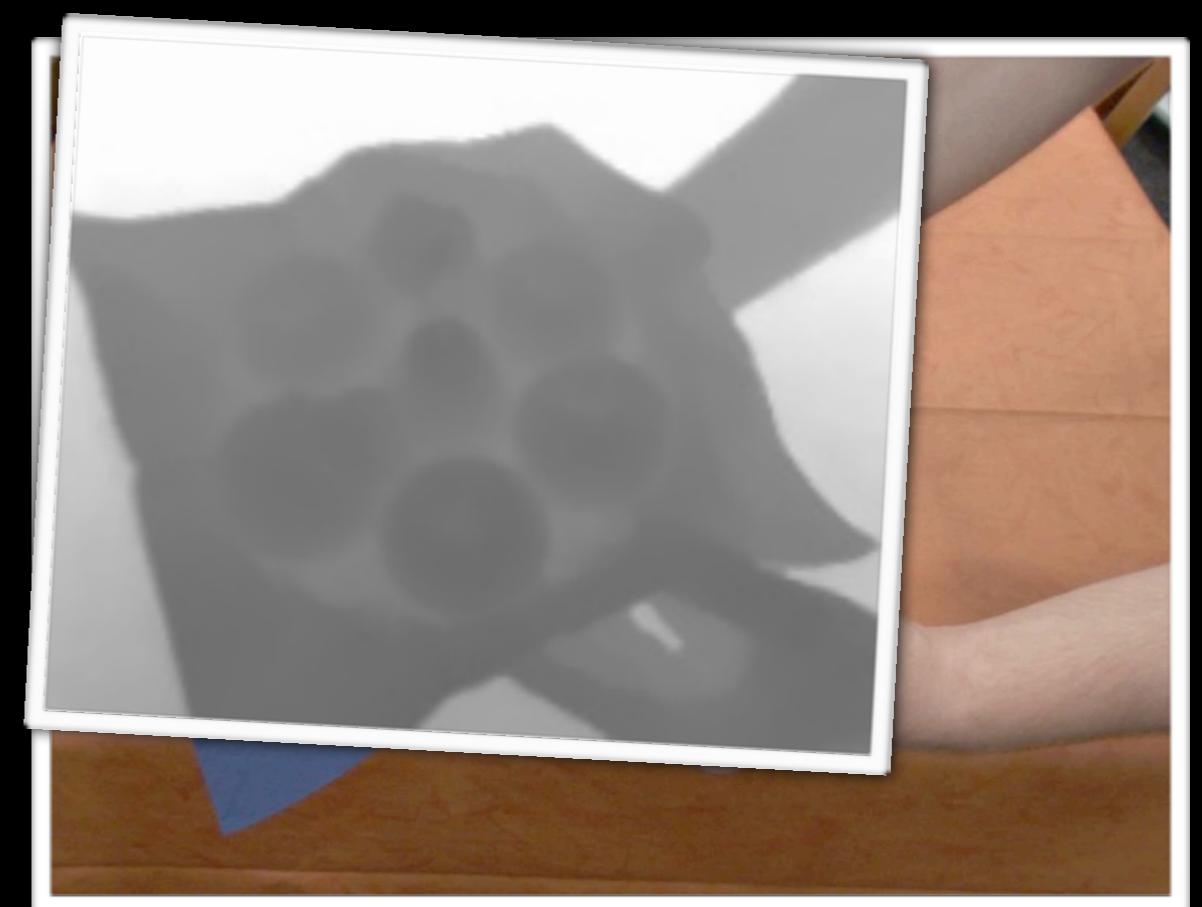


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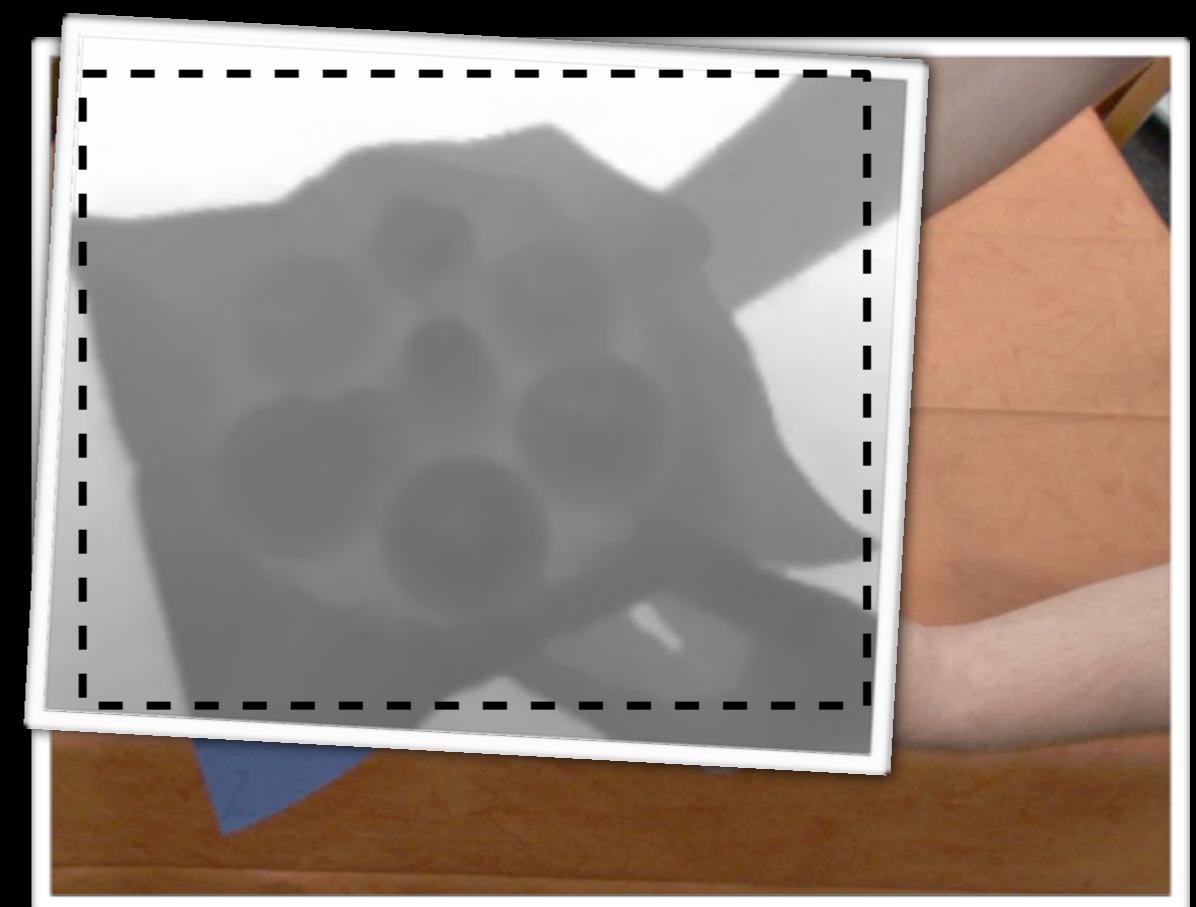


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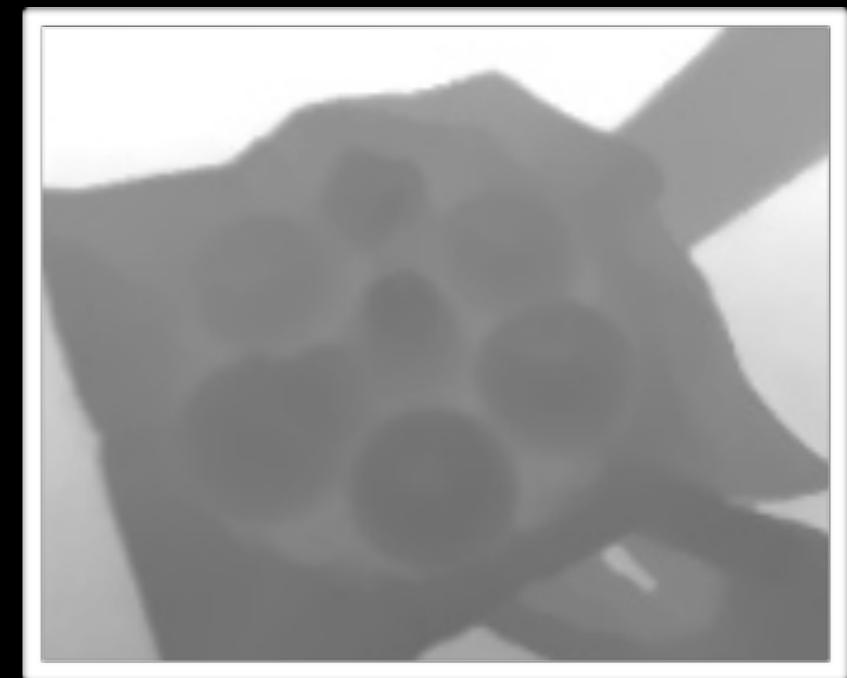


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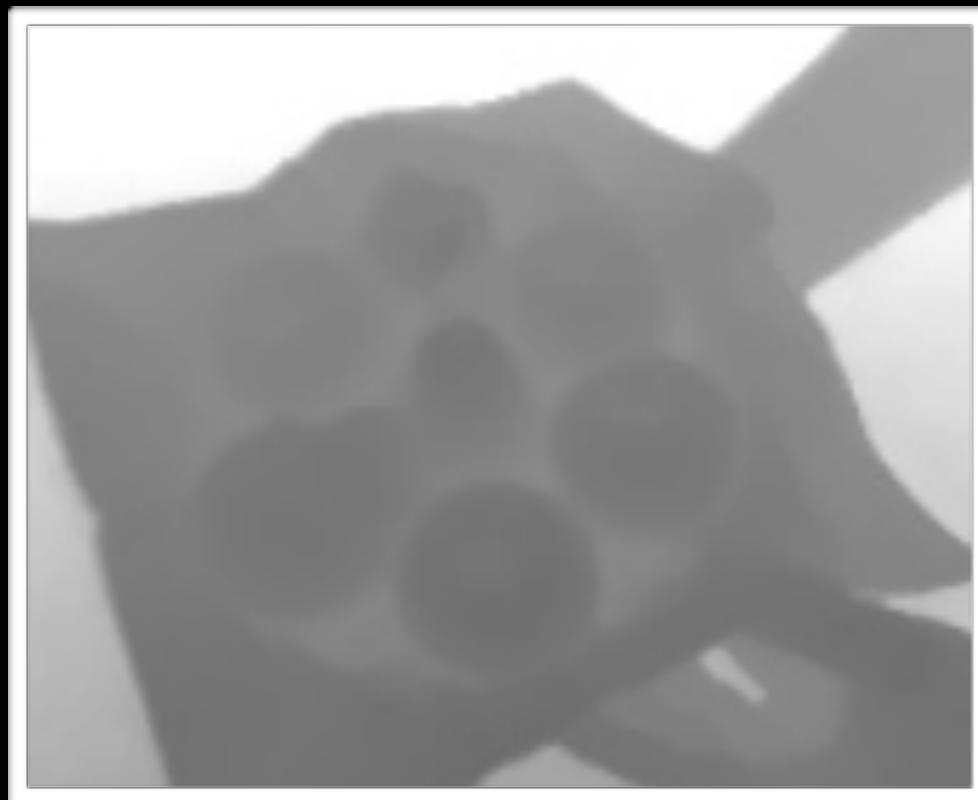


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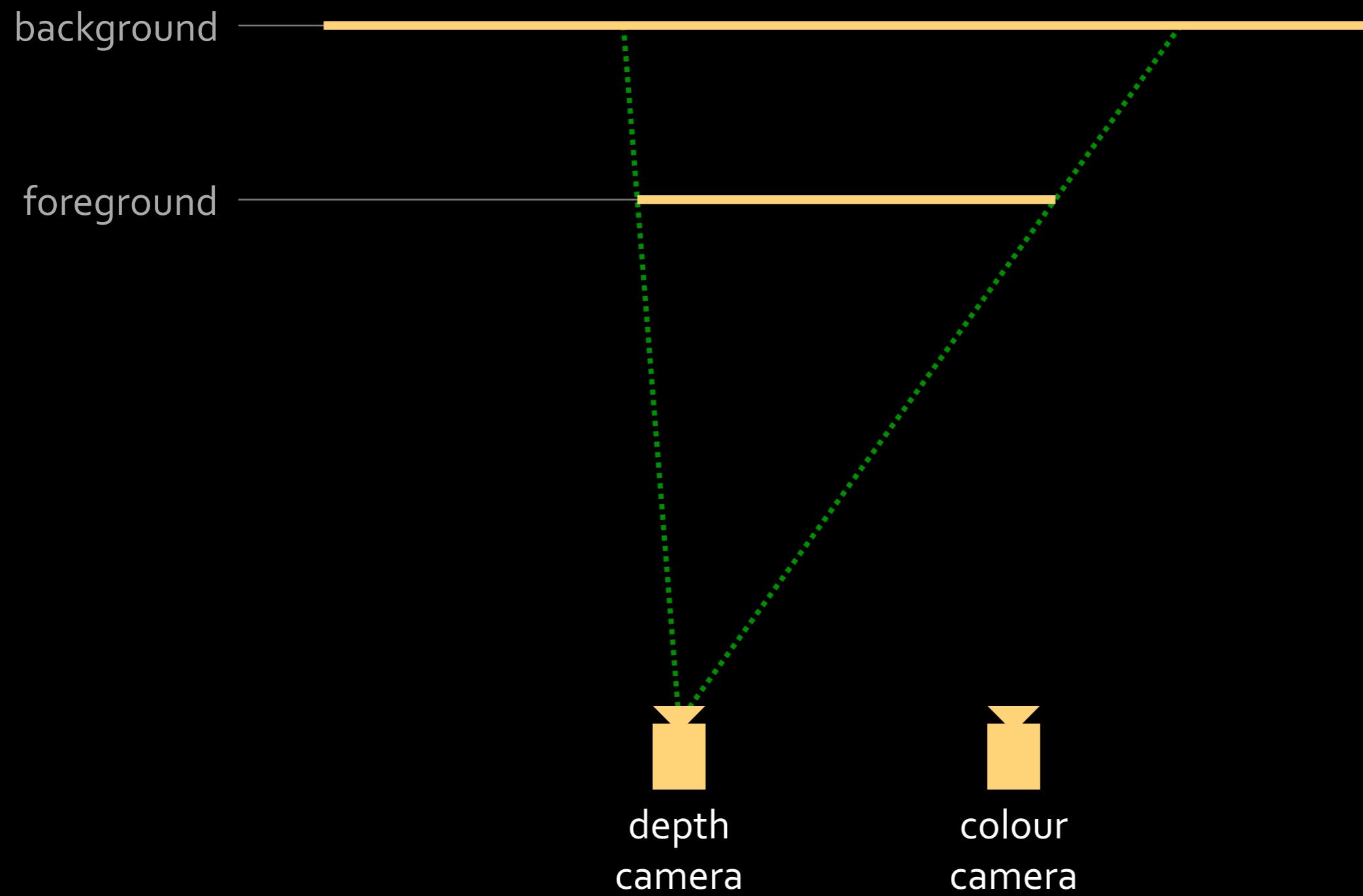
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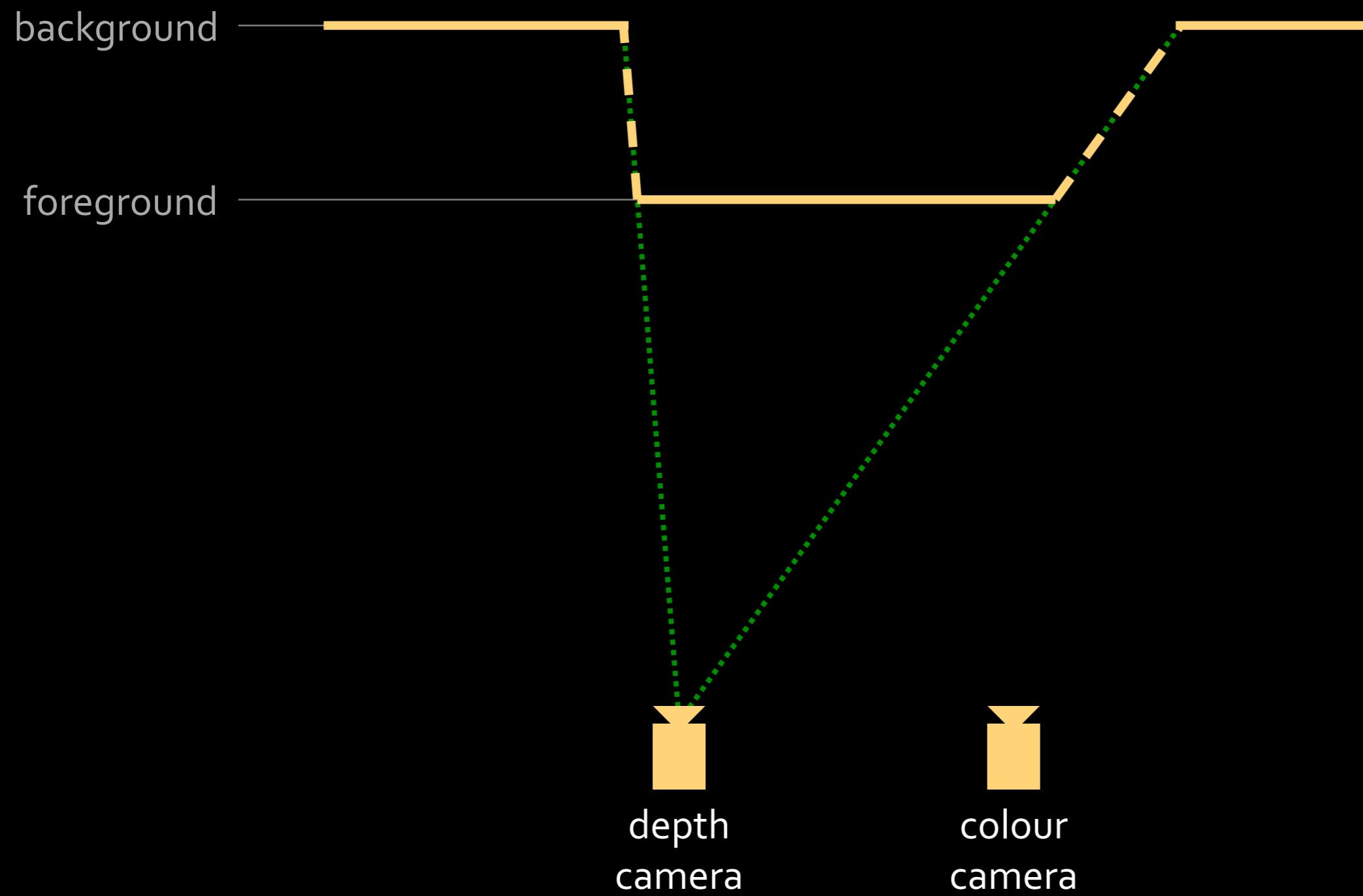


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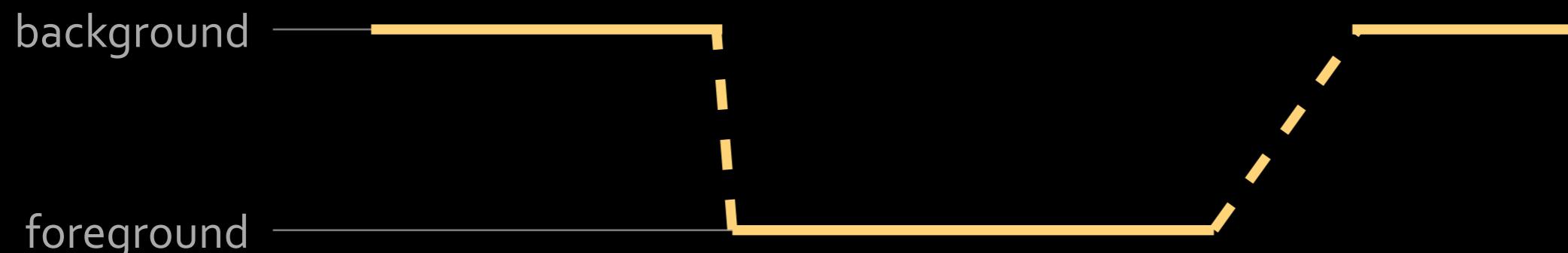


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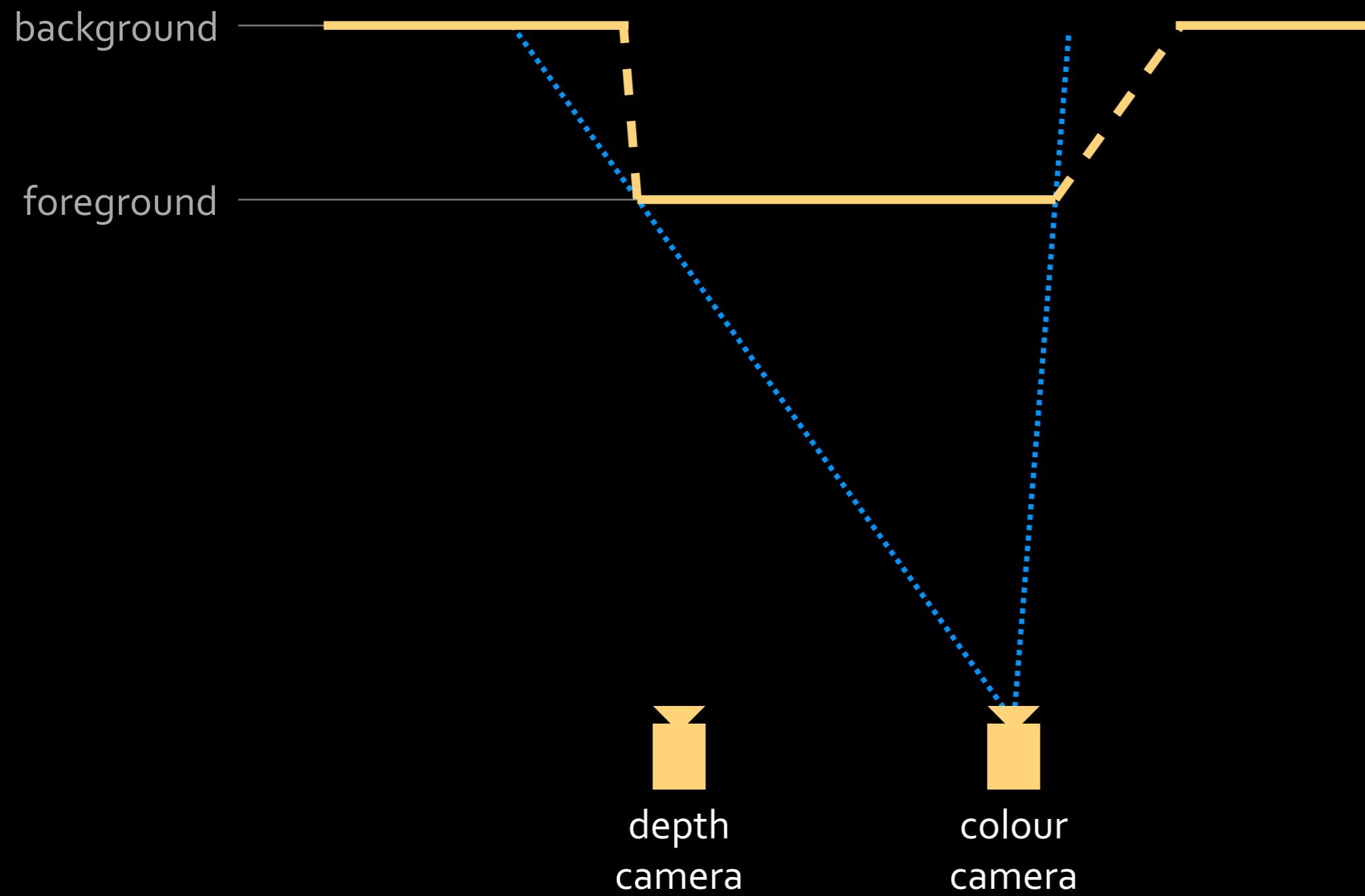
depth
camera



colour
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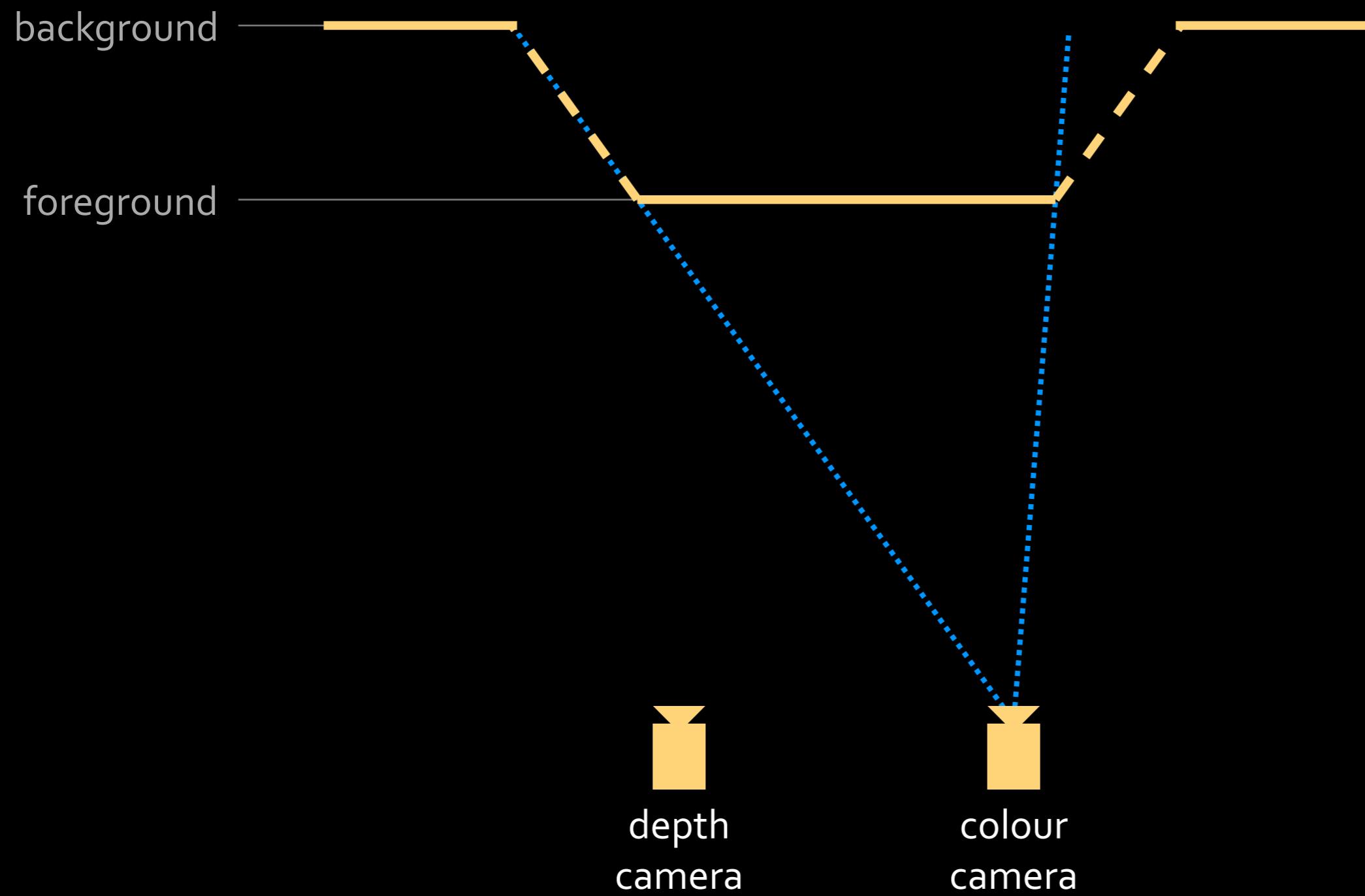


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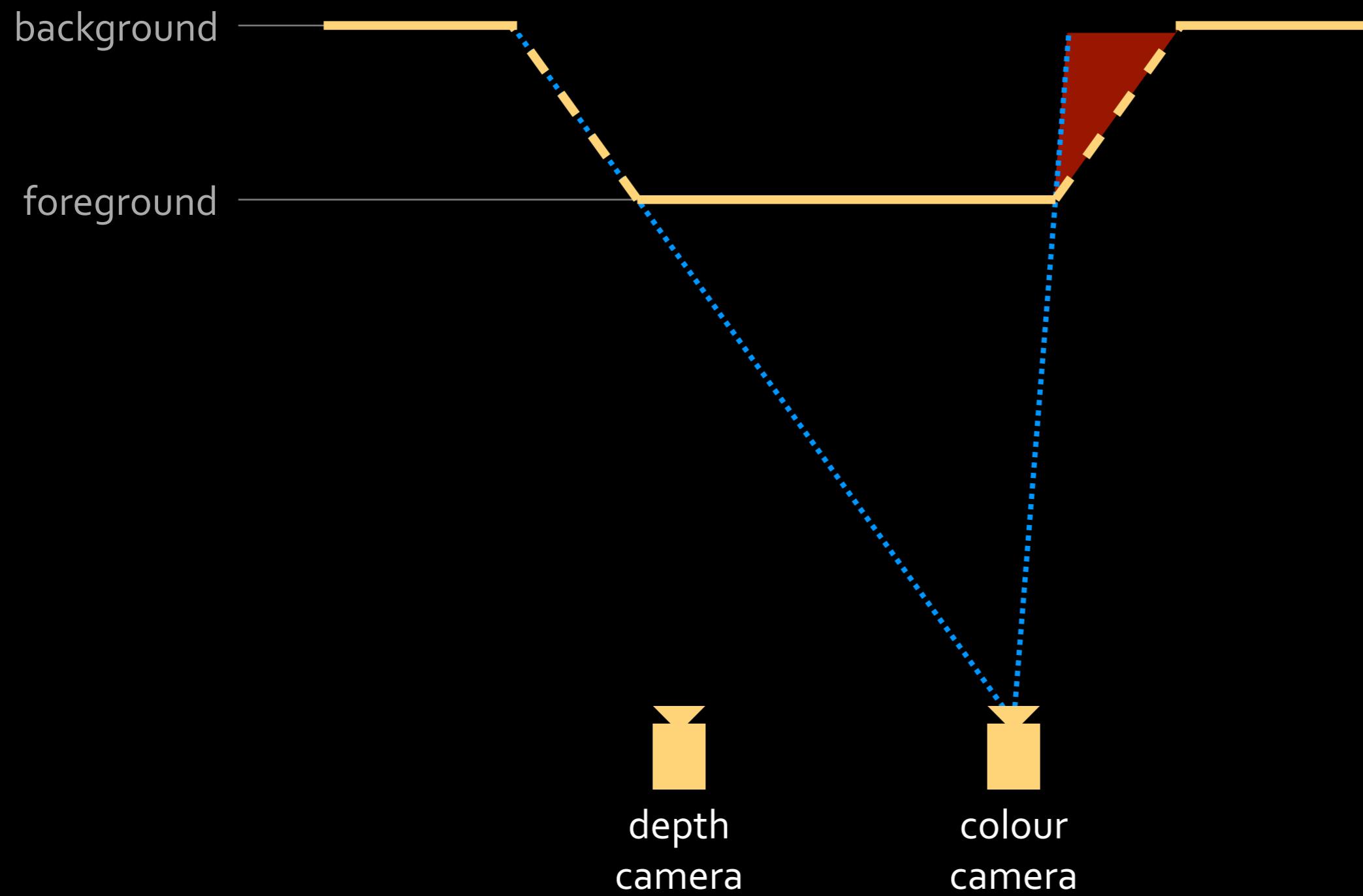


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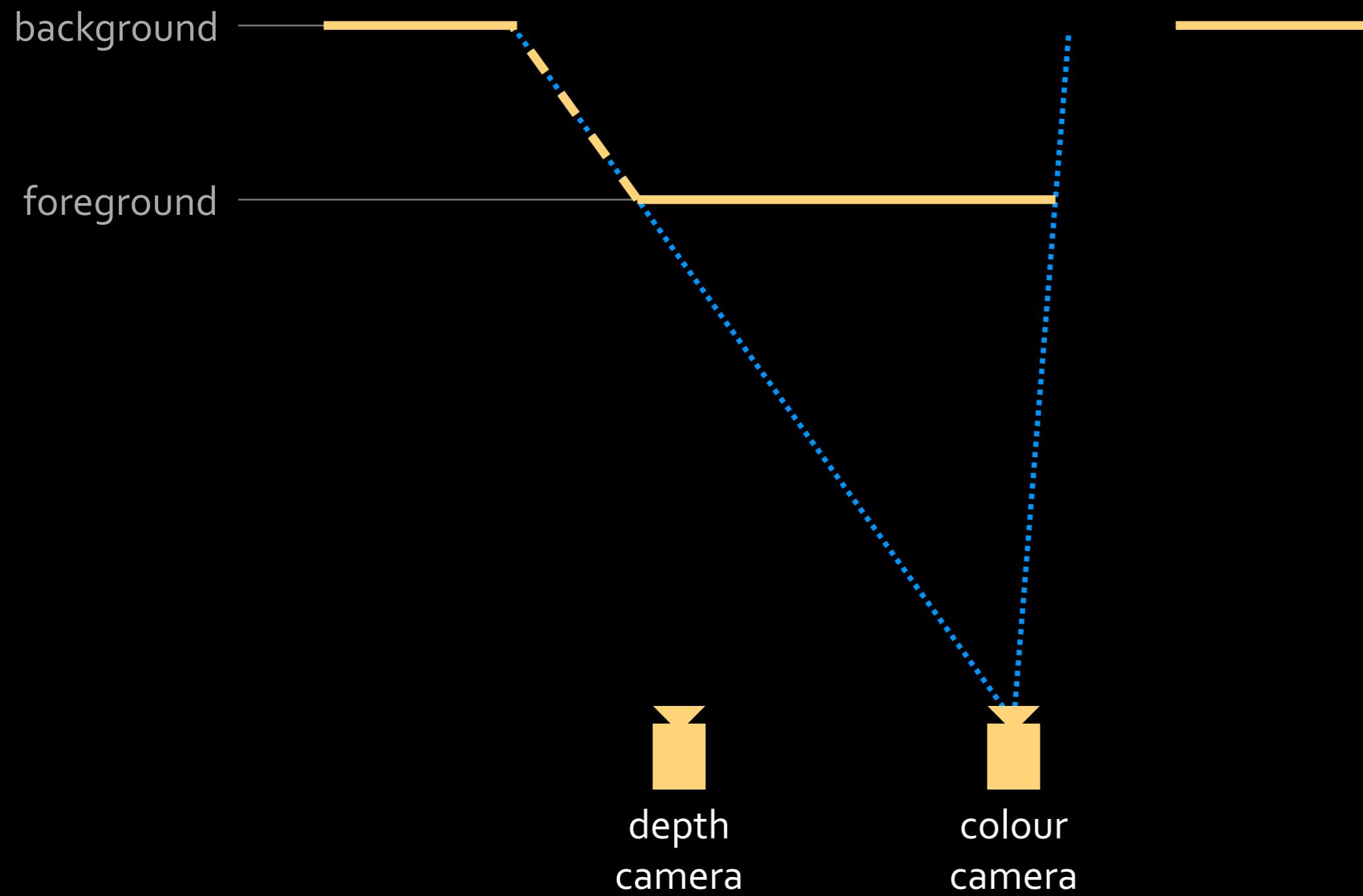


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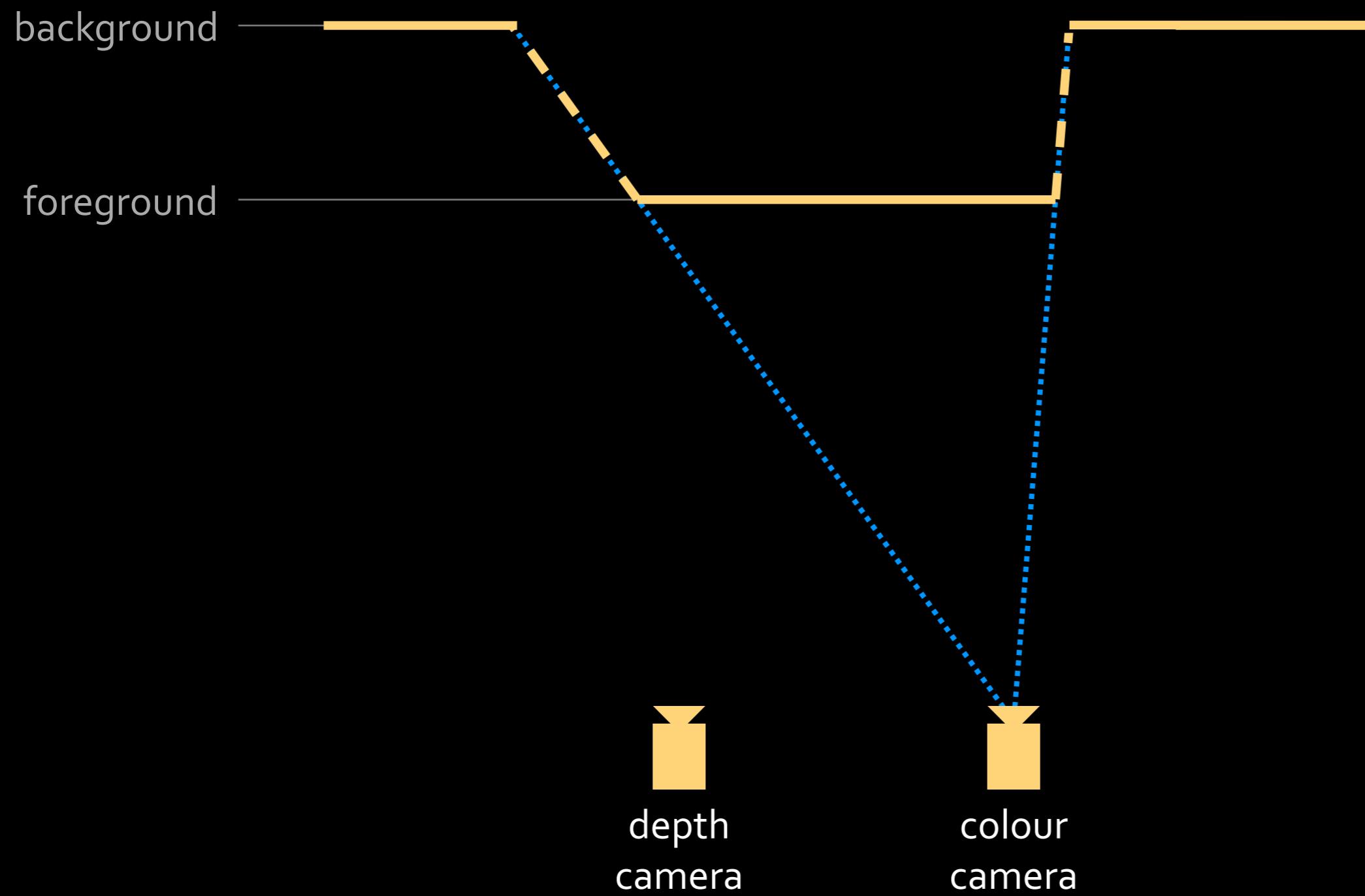


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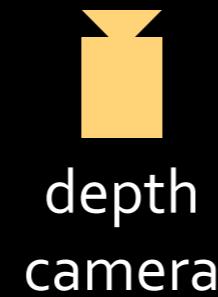
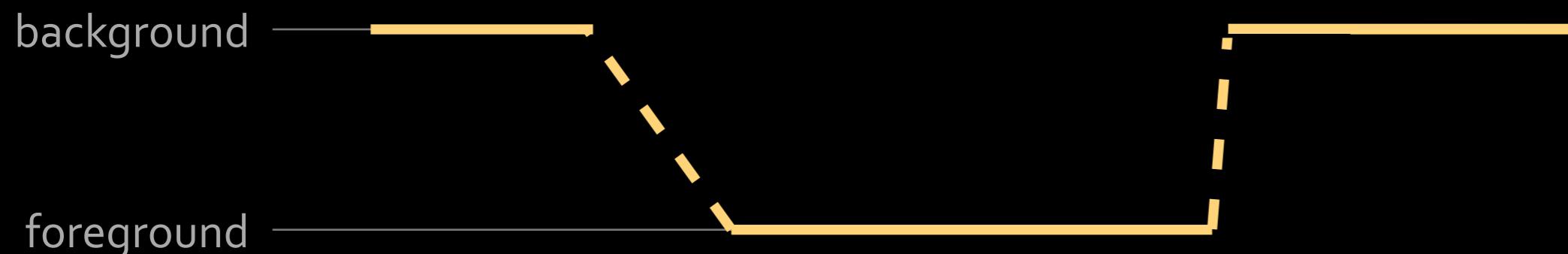


Geometry invalidation and fill-in





Geometry invalidation and fill-in



depth
camera



colour
camera



Geometry invalidation and fill-in

Geometry invalidation and fill-in

aligned geometry (before invalidation)



Geometry invalidation and fill-in

invalidated geometry (in orange)



Geometry invalidation and fill-in

single-resolution fill-in ($\sigma_s = 27$)



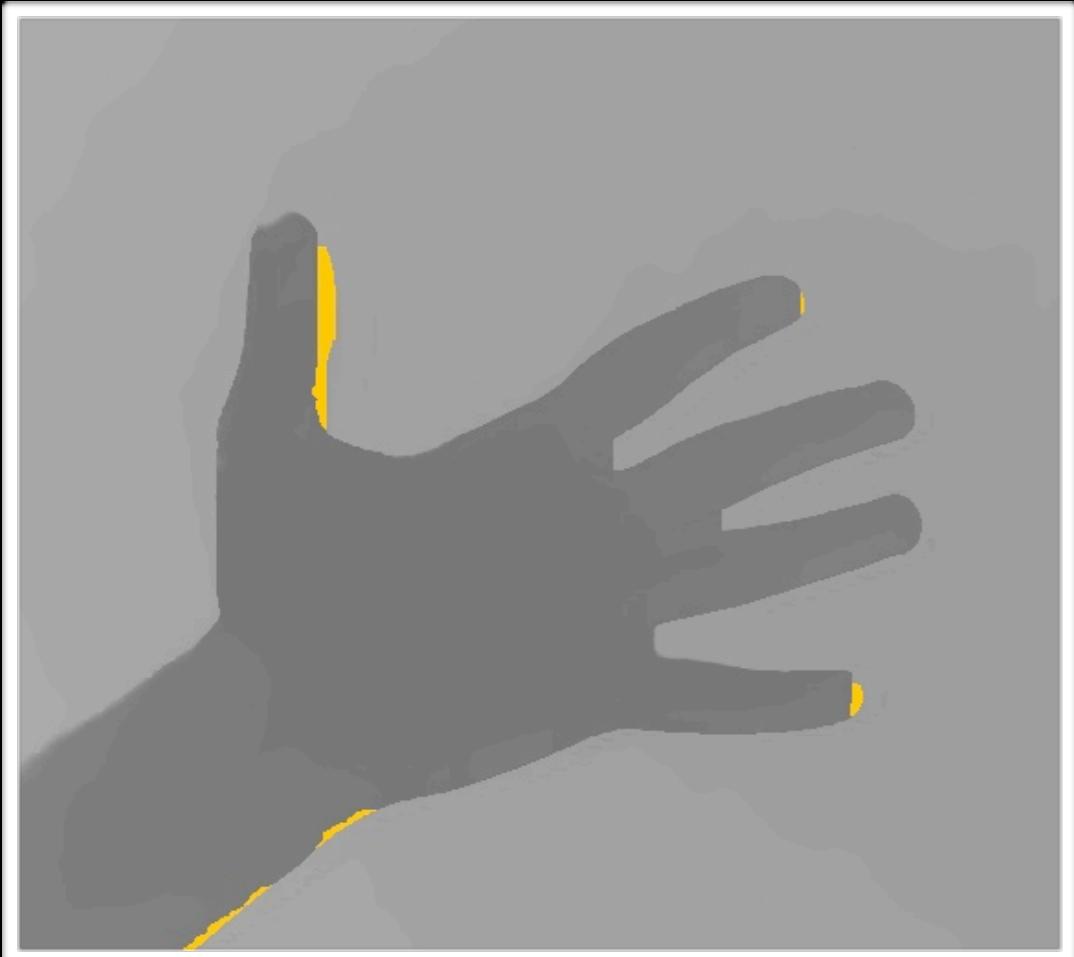
70.2 ms



92.8 ms

Geometry invalidation and fill-in

single-resolution fill-in ($\sigma_s = 10$)



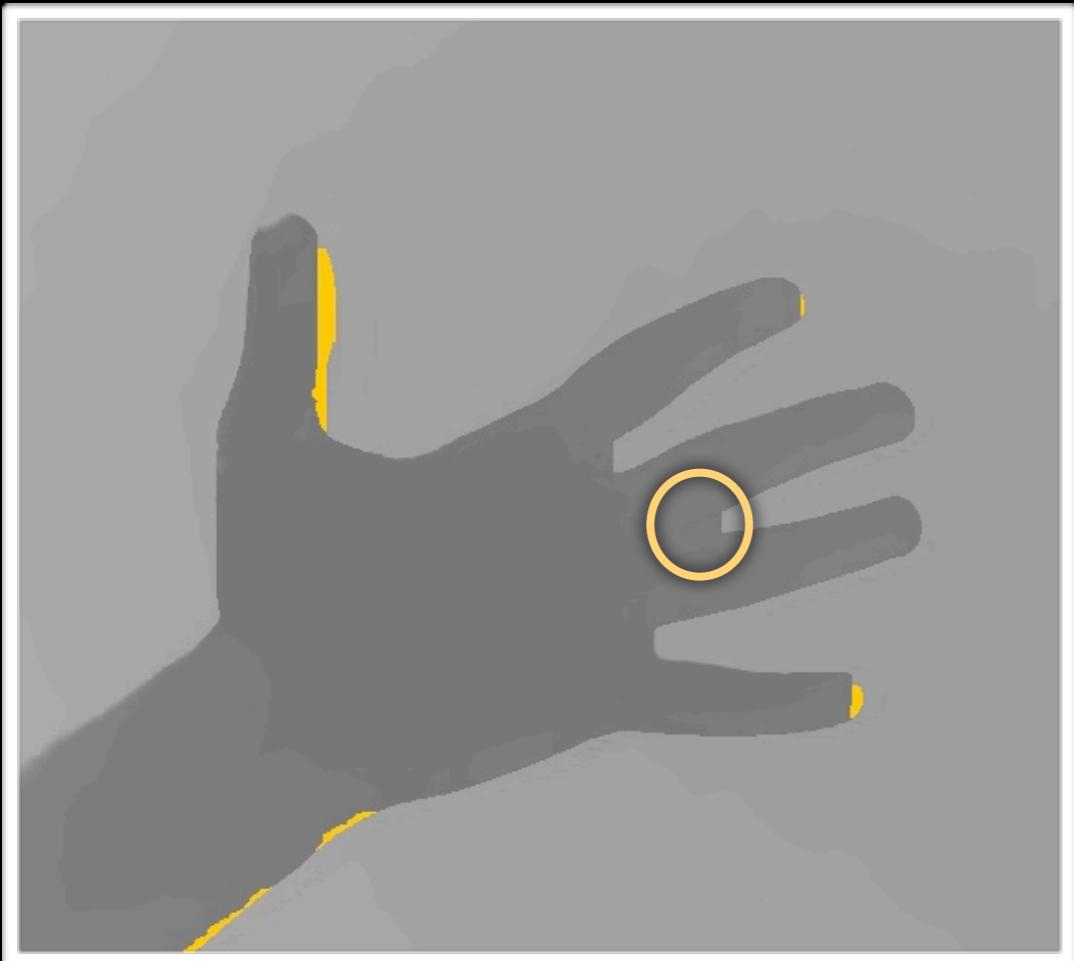
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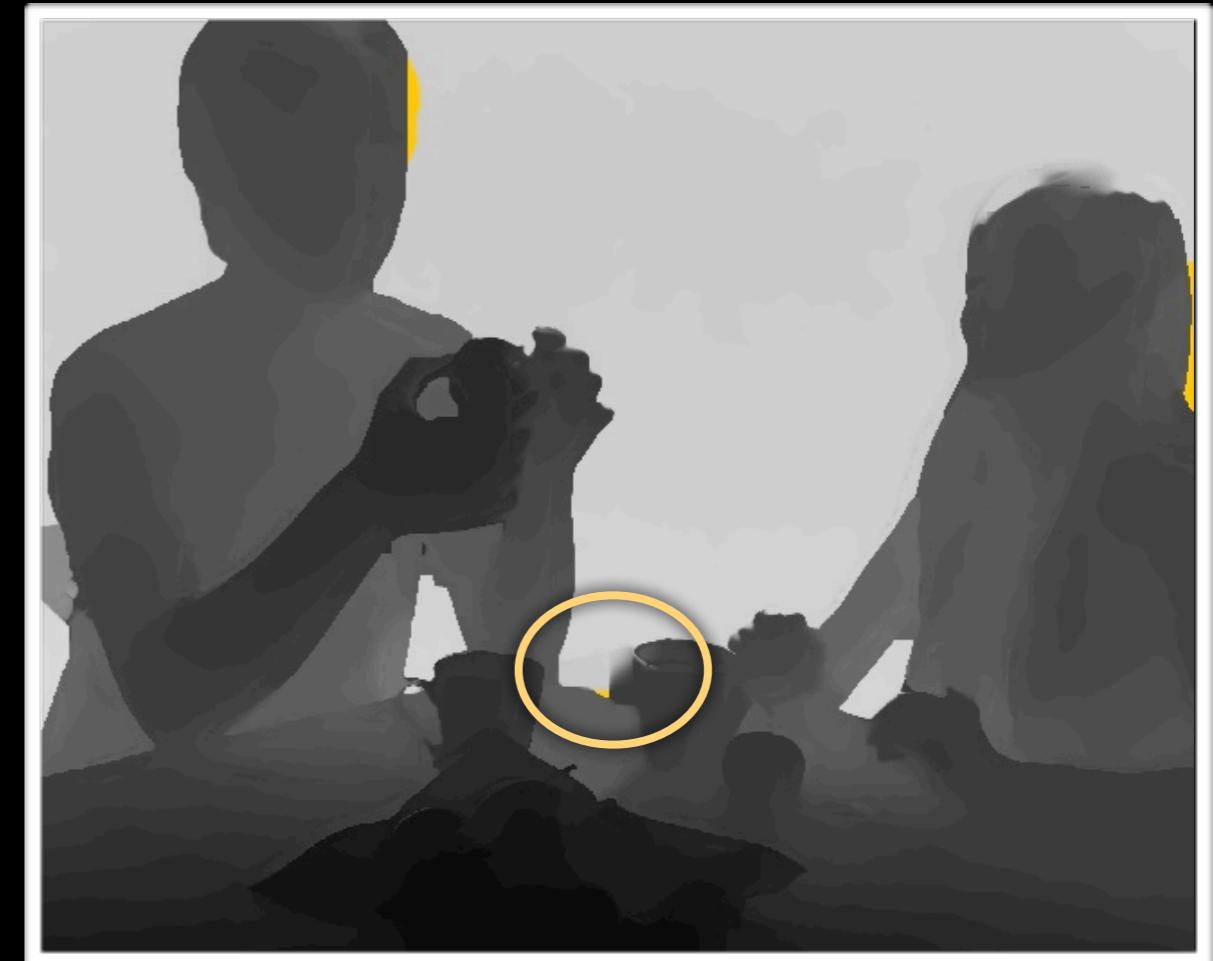
14.8 ms

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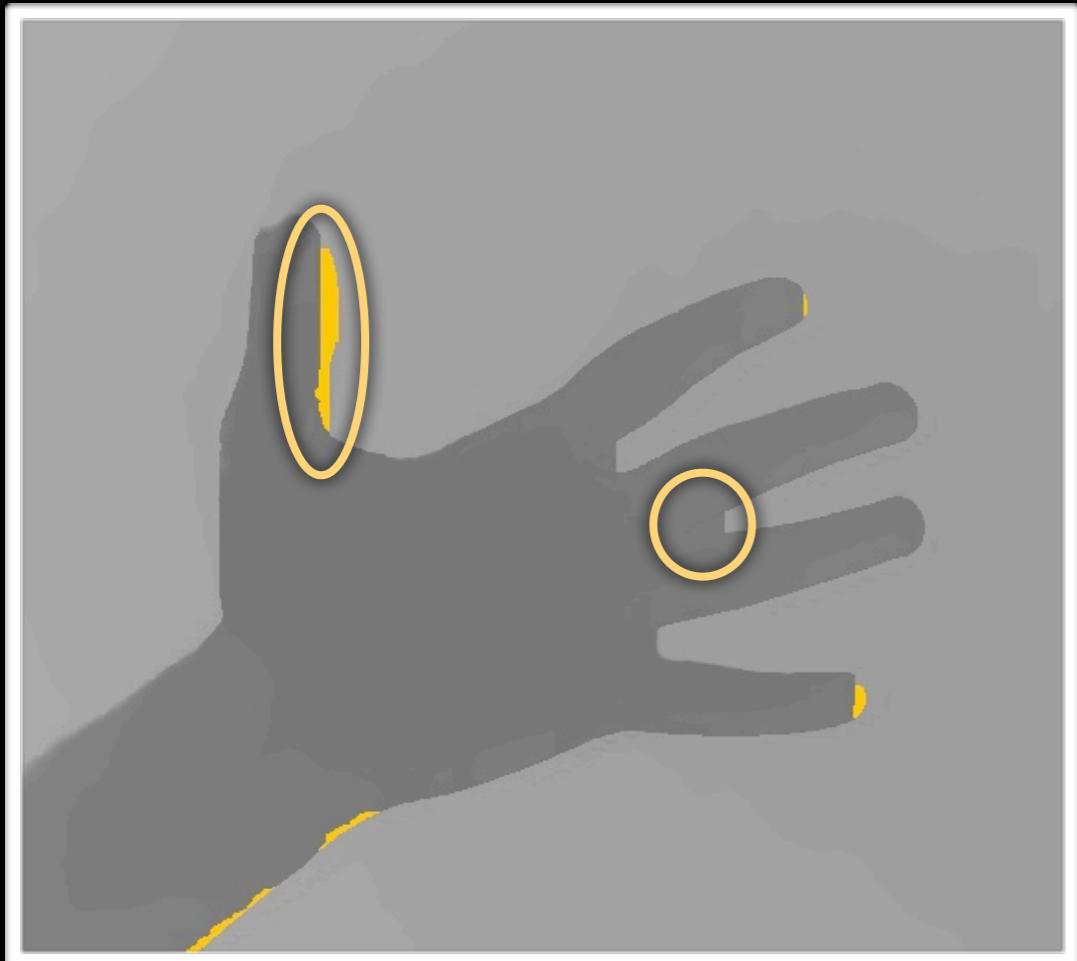
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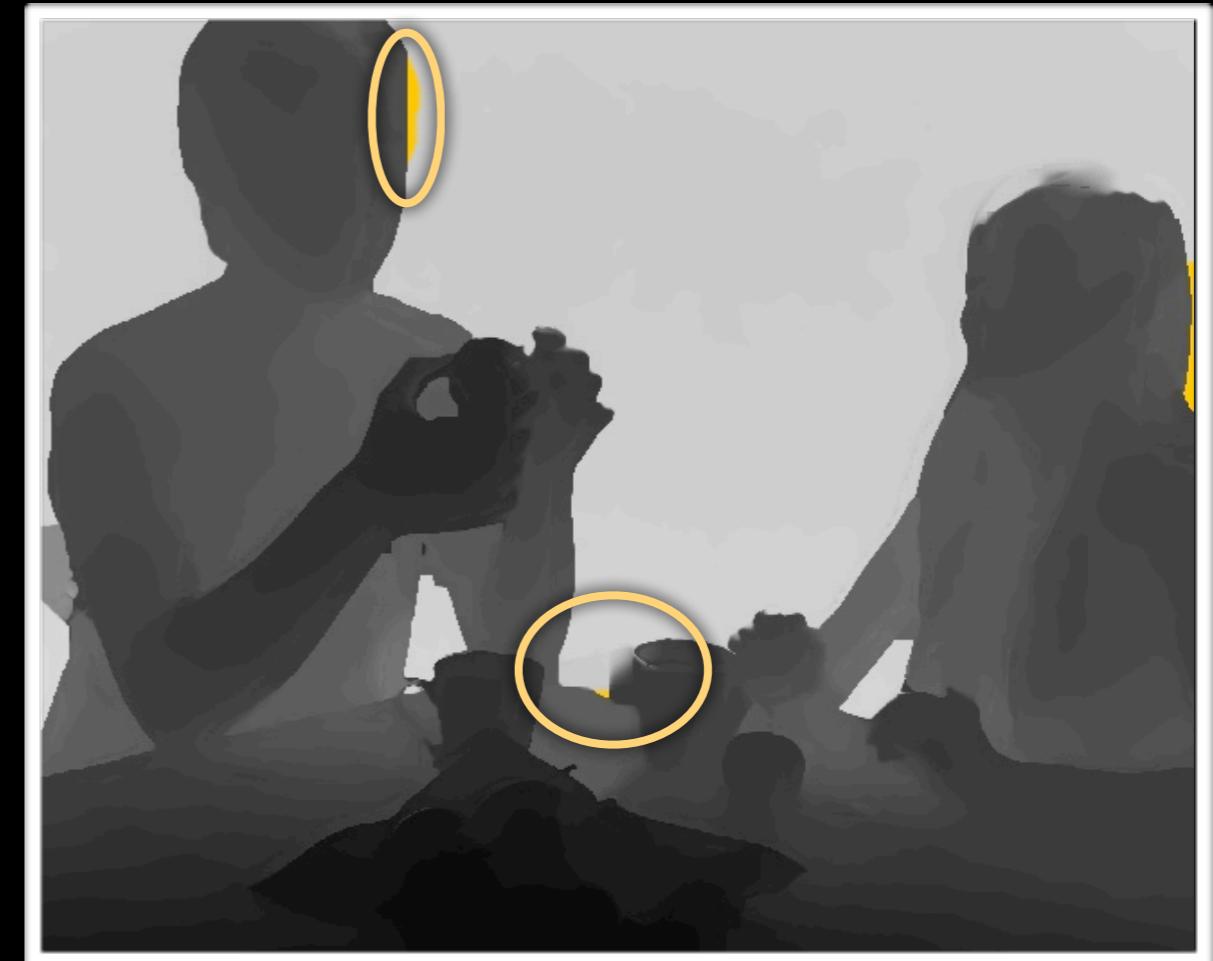
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Geometry invalidation and fill-in

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Geometry invalidation and fill-in

our multi-resolution fill-in ($n = 3, g = 3, \sigma_s = 3$)

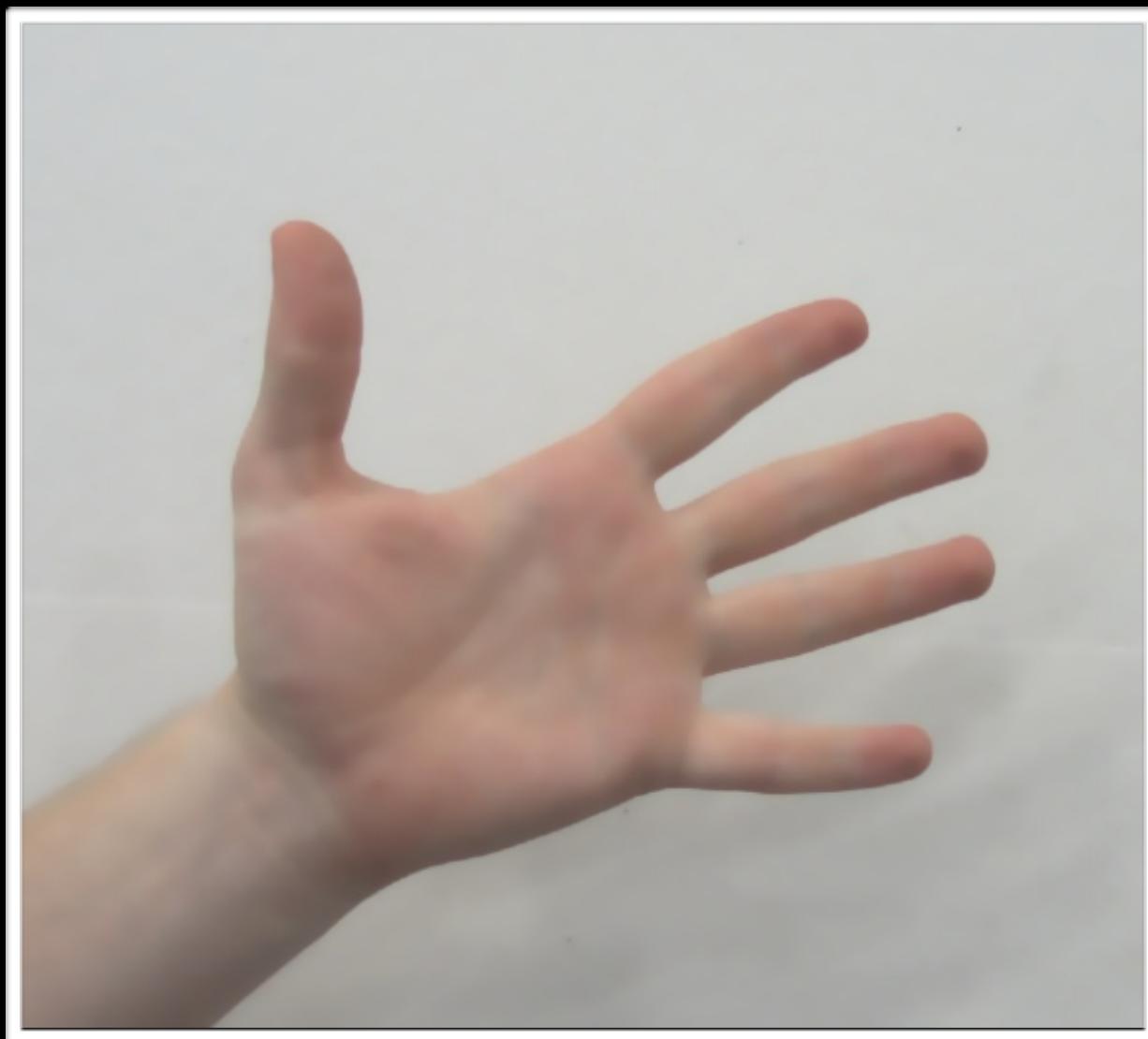


13.7 ms



15.1 ms

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 0$)



invalidated (level $k = 0$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 1$)



invalidated (level $k = 1$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 2$)



invalidated (level $k = 2$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 2$)



filled-in (level $k = 2$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 1$)

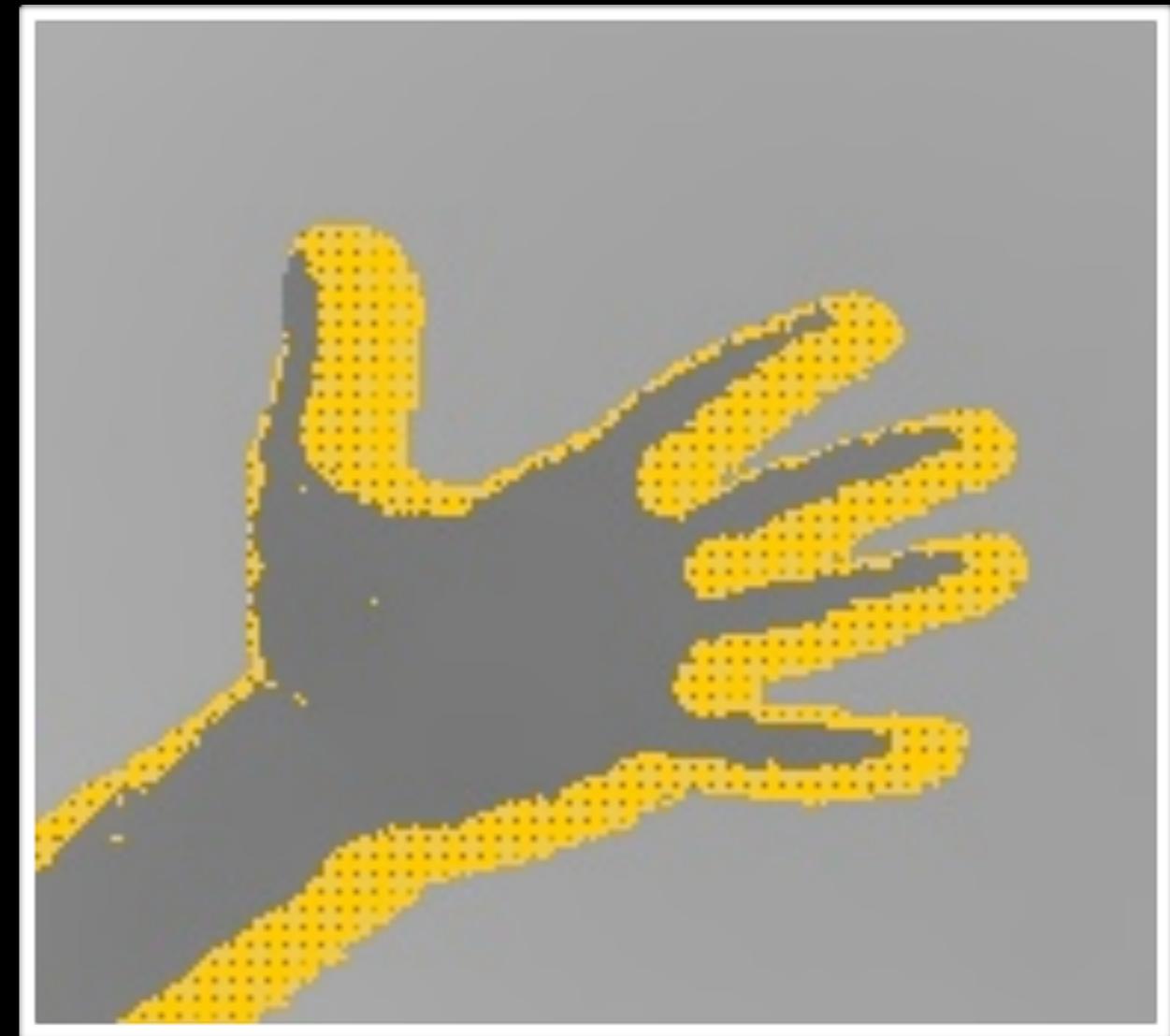


invalidated (level $k = 1$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in



colour image (level $k = 1$)



sparsely upsampled ($k = 1$)

Geometry invalidation and fill-in

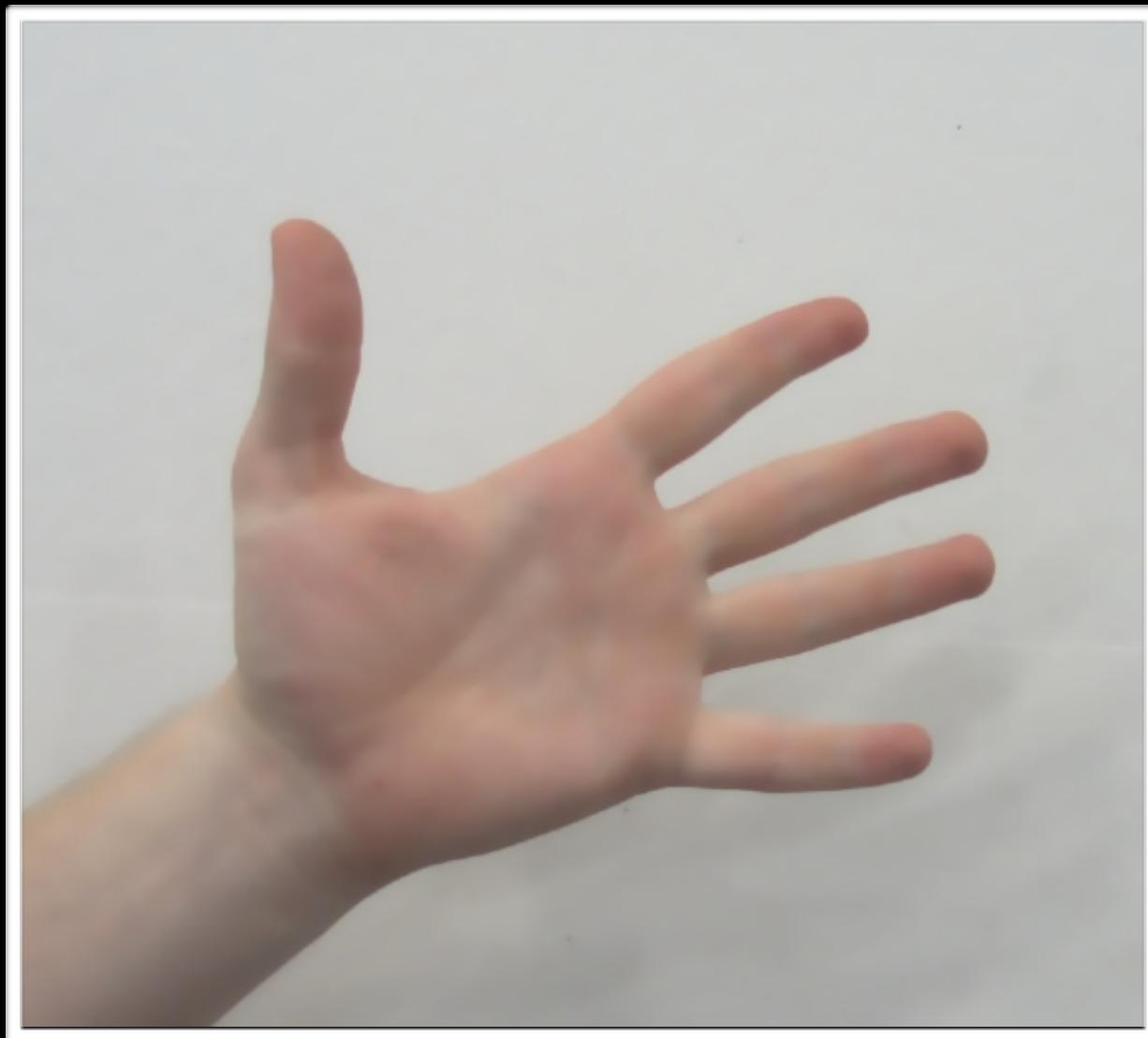


colour image (level $k = 1$)



filled-in (level $k = 1$)

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colour image (level $k = 0$)

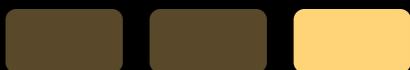


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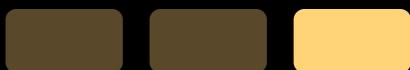
Spatial-only geometry filtering

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colour
weight

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spatial
weight

$$w_s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp\left(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 / 2\sigma_s^2\right)$$



Spatial-only filtering results



Aligned, but unfiltered



Spatially filtered



Spatiotemporal geometry filtering

$$f_{ST}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

spatiotemporal filter



Spatiotemporal geometry filtering

$$f_{ST}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \varphi \cdot f_S(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

spatiotemporal filter

spatial filter

Spatiotemporal geometry filtering

$$f_{ST}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \varphi \cdot f_S(\mathbf{x}, t) + (1 - \varphi) \cdot f_T(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

spatiotemporal filter

spatial filter

temporal filter

Spatiotemporal geometry filtering

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spatiotemporal filter

spatial filter

temporal filter

$$f_T(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sum_{\mathbf{y} \in N_x} w(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot f_{ST}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}, t-1)$$

Spatiotemporal geometry filtering

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temporal filter

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flow weight $W_f(\mathbf{y}, \bar{\mathbf{y}}) = \exp\left(-\|\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}\|^2 / 2\sigma_f^2\right)$

Spatiotemporal filtering results



Aligned, but unfiltered



Spatiotemporally filtered

RGBZ video effects

- ❖ video relighting
- ❖ geometry-based video abstraction
- ❖ stroke-based video rendering
- ❖ background segmentation
- ❖ stereoscopic 3D rendering

Video relighting



Input video

Geometry-based video abstraction



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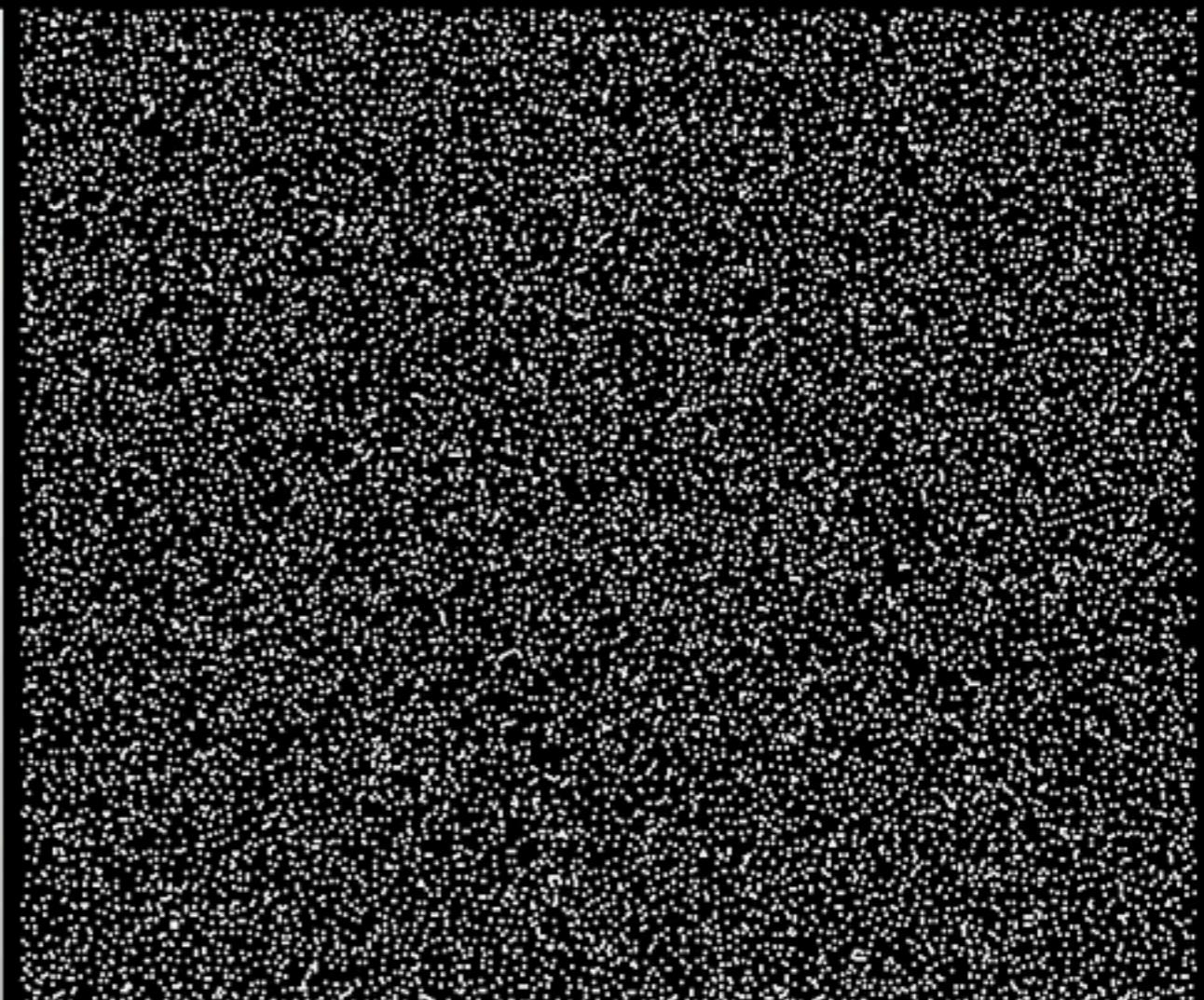


Image-based abstraction

Stroke-based video rendering

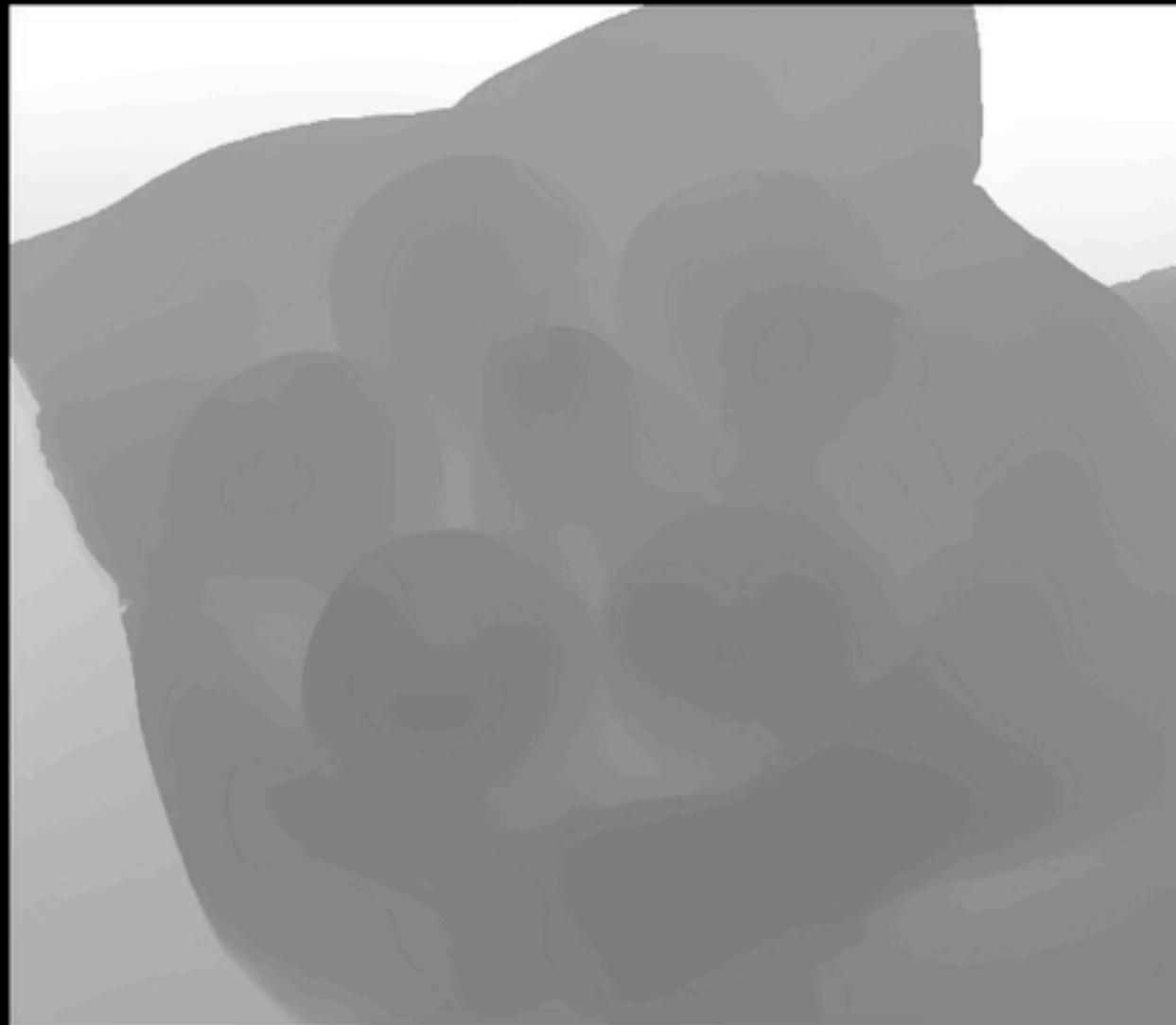


Input video



Sprite positions

Background segmentation

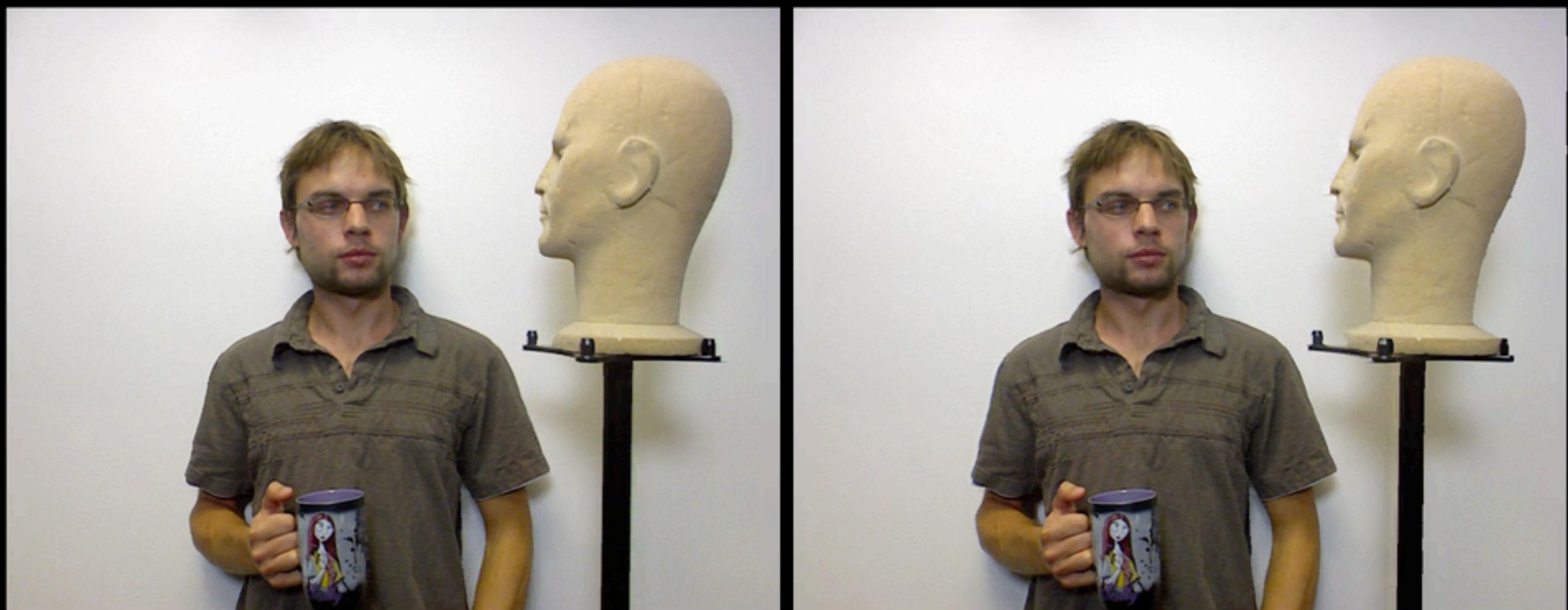


Filtered distance map



Colour video

Stereoscopic 3D rendering



Synthesised right view

Synthesised stereo image

Limitations

- unreliable optical flow can lead to smearing artefacts
- assumption of coincident colour + depth edges
 - ‘texture copy’ artefacts in the distance map
 - edges with small colour differences not preserved well
- depth detail limited by time-of-flight camera resolution
- joint-bilateral filter not guaranteed to be optimal:
new values are a linear combination of existing values

Future work

- improve preservation of features
 - could refine results using shape-from-shading
- formulate optical flow that respects depth discontinuities
 - would prevent ‘smearing’ artefacts in the distance map
- commodification of RGBZ video cameras and effects:
 - miniaturisation of camera hardware
 - improvements in hardware performance
 - algorithmic optimisations

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Summary

- introduced a novel set of efficient and effective depth filtering and upsampling techniques for RGBZ videos:
 - a fast fill-in procedure for unreliable geometry
 - a multi-lateral spatiotemporal filtering approach
- illustrated the benefits of RGBZ video for effects
- source code and data sets are available on our project page at
<http://richardt.name/rgbz-camera/>

Hire me! I'm looking for a postdoc from October 2012.