
Image-Based Rendering

Computer Vision
CSE576, Spring 2005
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Today's lecture

Image-Based Rendering

- Light Fields and Lumigraphs
- Panoramas and Concentric Mosaics
- Environment Matting
- Image-Based models

Today's lecture

Video-Based Rendering

- Facial animation
- Video matting and shadow matting
- Video Textures and Animating Stills
- Video-based tours

Readings

- S. J. Gortler , R. Grzeszczuk , R. Szeliski and M. F. Cohen, [The Lumigraph](#), SIGGRAPH'96.
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- H.-Y. Shum and L.-W. He. Rendering with concentric mosaics, SIGGRAPH'99.

Readings

- D. E. Zongker *et al.* [Environment matting and compositing](#), SIGGRAPH'99.
- Y.-Y. Chuang *et al.* Environment matting extensions: Towards higher accuracy and real-time capture. SIGGRAPH'2000, pp.121-130, 2000.
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Readings

- Y.-Y. Chuang *et al.* Video matting of complex scenes. ACM Trans. on Graphics, 21(3):243-248, July 2002
- Y.-Y. Chuang *et al.* Shadow matting. ACM Transactions on Graphics, 22(3):494-500, July 2003.
- A. Schödl *et al.*, Video textures. SIGGRAPH'2000, pp. 489-498, 2000.
- M. Uyttendaele *et al.* Image-based interactive exploration of real-world environments. IEEE Comp. Graphics and Applications, 24(3), May/June 2004.

Lightfields and Lumigraphs

(with lots of slides from Michael Cohen)

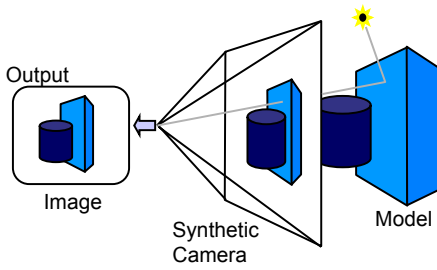
Modeling light

How do we generate new scenes and animations from existing ones?

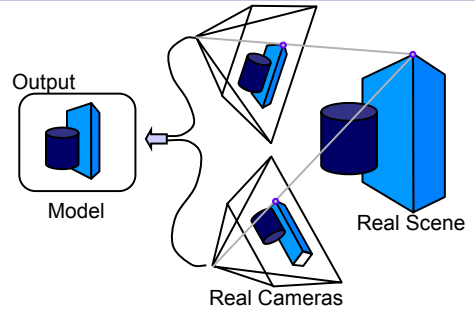
Classic "3D Vision + Graphics":

- take (lots of) pictures
- recover camera pose
- build 3D model
- extract texture maps / BRDFs
- synthesize new views

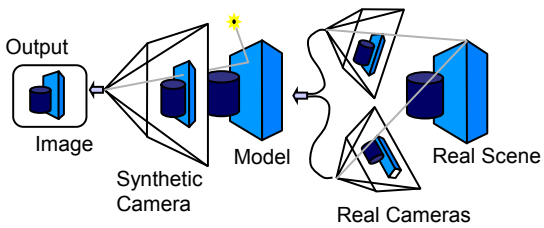
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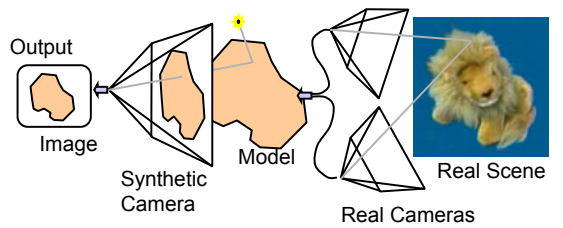
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Combined



But, vision technology falls short



... and so does graphics.

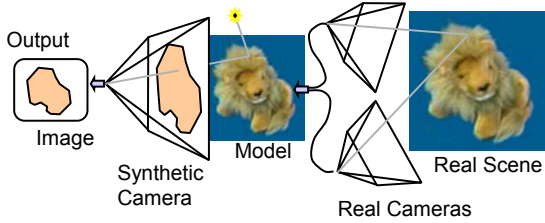
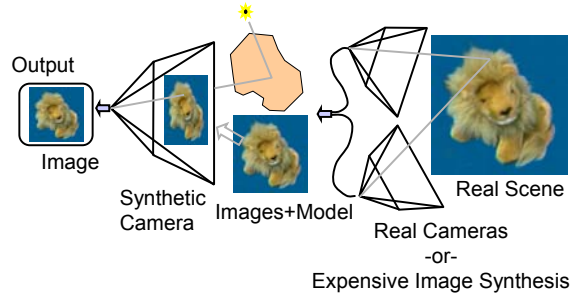


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Ray

Constant radiance

- time is fixed

5D

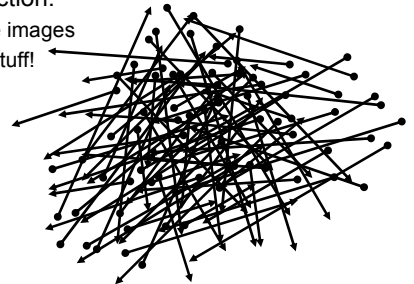
- 3D position
- 2D direction



All Rays

Plenoptic Function:

- all possible images
- too much stuff!



Line

Infinite line

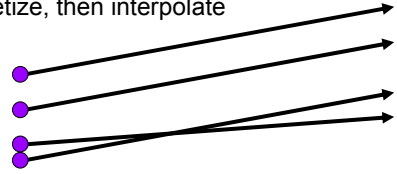


4D

- 2D direction
- 2D position
- non-dispersive medium

Ray

Discretize, then interpolate

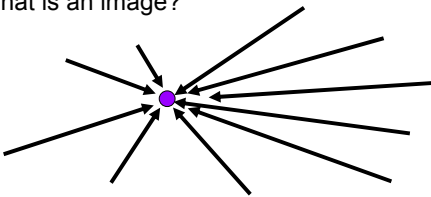


Distance between 2 rays

- Which is closer together?

Image

What is an image?



All rays through a point

- Panorama

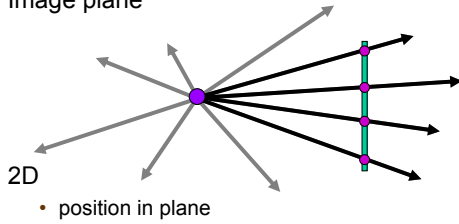
Panoramic Mosaics

Convert panoramic image sequence into a cylindrical image



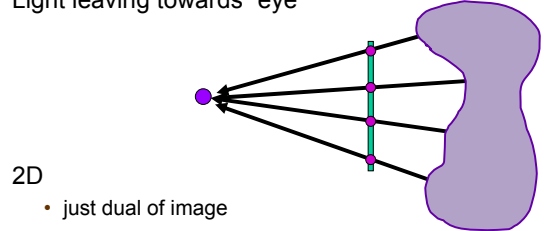
Image

Image plane



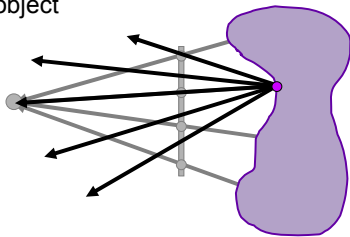
Object

Light leaving towards "eye"

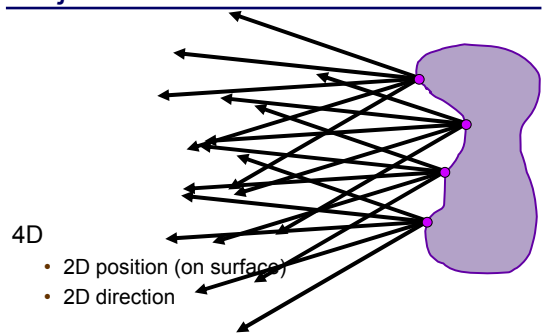


Object

All light leaving object

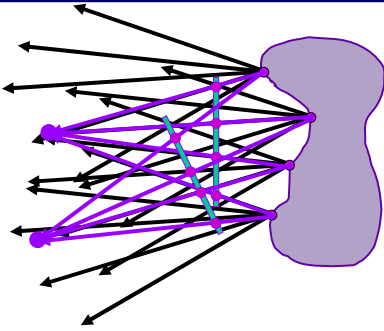


Object



Object

All images



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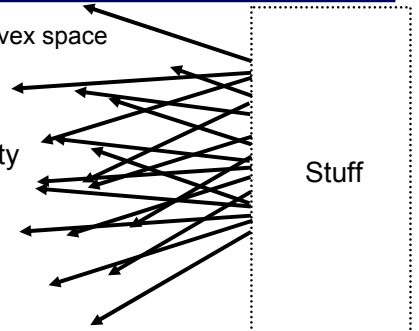
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Lumigraph / Lightfield

Outside convex space

Empty

4D



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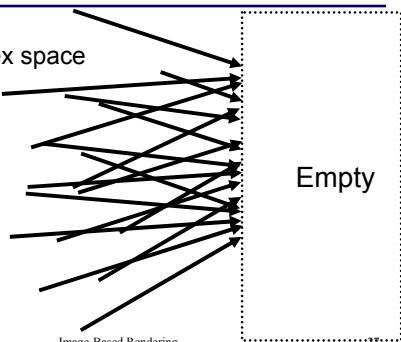
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Lumigraph

Inside convex space

Stuff

4D



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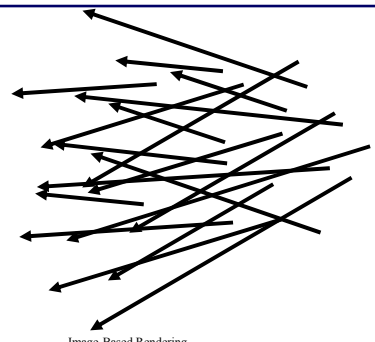
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Lumigraph

How to ?

- organize
- capture
- render



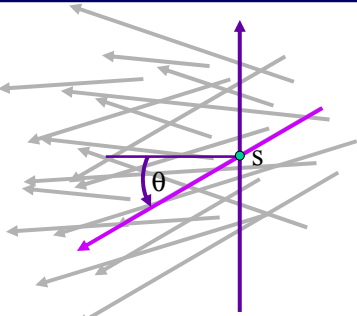
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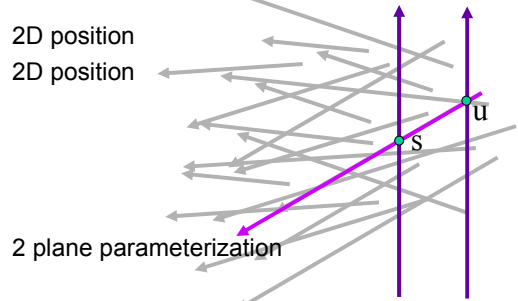
Lumigraph - Organization

2D position
2D direction



Lumigraph - Organization

2D position
2D position

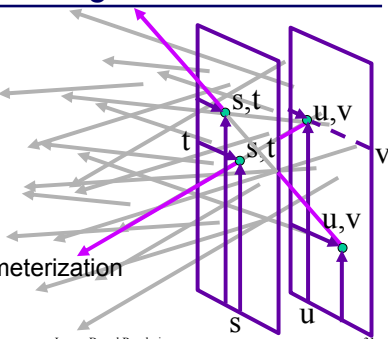


2 plane parameterization

Lumigraph - Organization

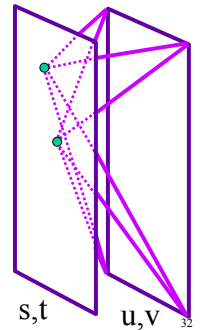
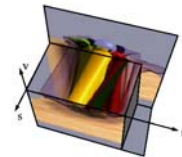
2D position
2D position

2 plane parameterization



Lumigraph - Organization

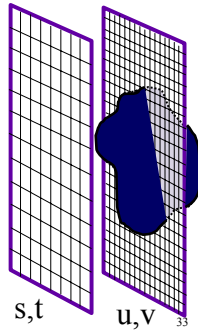
Hold s, t constant
Let u, v vary
An image



Lumigraph - Organization

Discretization

- higher res near object
 - if diffuse
 - captures texture
- lower res away
 - captures directions



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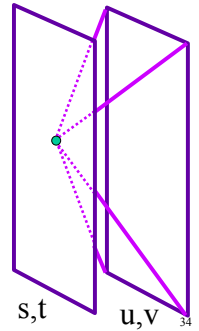
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s,t u,v 33

Lumigraph - Capture

Idea 1

- Move camera carefully over s,t plane
- Gantry
 - see Light Field paper



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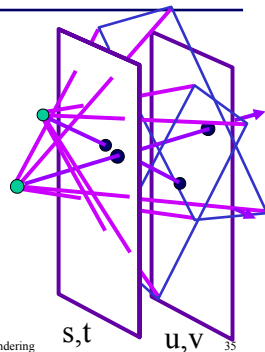
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s,t u,v 34

Lumigraph - Capture

Idea 2

- Move camera anywhere
- Rebinning
 - see Lumigraph paper



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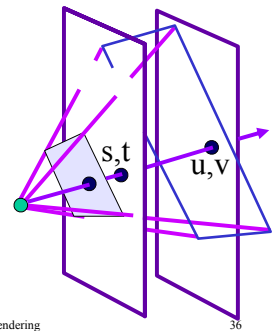
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s,t u,v 35

Lumigraph - Rendering

For each output pixel

- determine s,t,u,v
- either
 - find closest discrete RGB
 - interpolate near values



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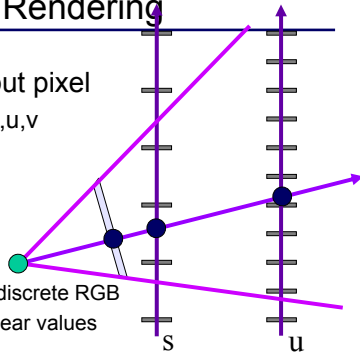
Lumigraph - Rendering

□ For each output pixel

- determine s, t, u, v

• either

- use closest discrete RGB
- interpolate near values



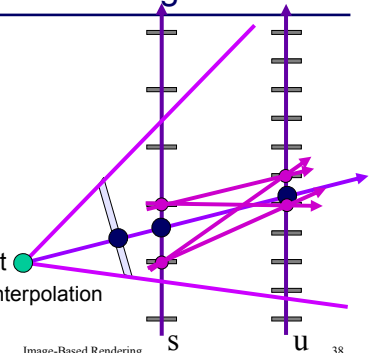
Lumigraph - Rendering

Nearest

- closest s
- closest u
- draw it

Blend 16 nearest

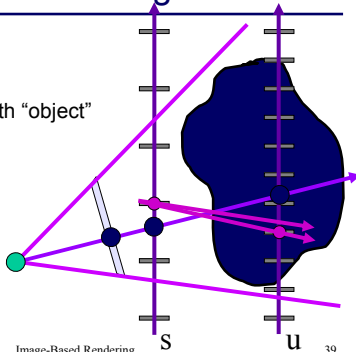
- quadrilinear interpolation



Lumigraph - Rendering

Depth Correction

- closest s
- intersection with "object"
- best u
- closest u

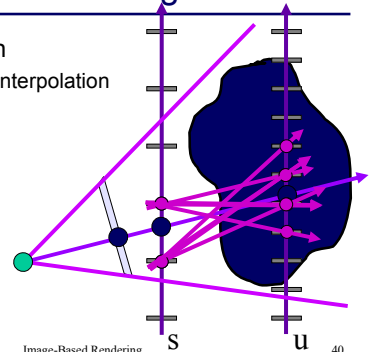


Lumigraph - Rendering

Depth Correction

- quadrilinear interpolation
- new "closest"
- like focus

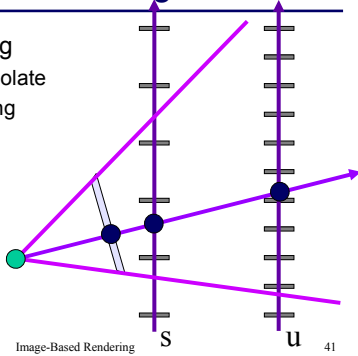
[Dynamically
Reparameterized
Light Fields,
Isaksen, SG'2000]



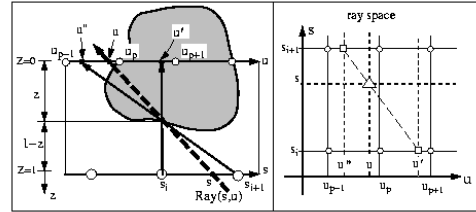
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Fast s,t,u,v finding

- scanline interpolate
- texture mapping
- shear warp



Lumigraph - Ray Space



3D space

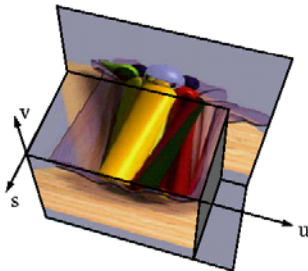
ray space

surface depth \leftrightarrow slope in ray space

Lumigraph - Ray Space

Image effects:

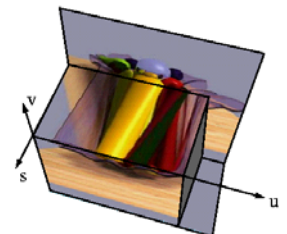
- parallax
- occlusion
- transparency
- highlights



Lumigraph - Demo

Lumigraph

- Lion, Fruit Bowl



Complex Light Field acquisition

Digital Michelangelo Project

- Marc Levoy, Stanford University
- Lightfield ("night") assembled by Jon Shade



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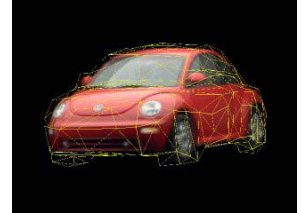
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Unstructured Lumigraph

What if the images aren't sampled on a regular 2D grid?

- can still re-sample rays
- ray weighting becomes more complex [Buehler *et al.*, SIGGRAPH'2000]



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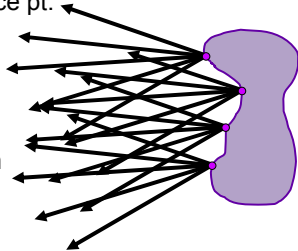
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Surface Light Fields

Turn 4D parameterization around:
image @ every surface pt.

Leverage coherence:
compress radiance fn
(BRDF * illumination)
after rotation by n



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Surface Light Fields

[Wood *et al*, SIGGRAPH 2000]



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3D Representations

Image (and panoramas) are 2D
Lumigraph is 4D

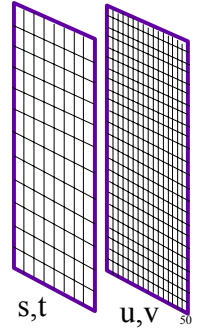
What happened to 3D?

- 3D Lumigraph subset
- Concentric mosaics

3D Lumigraph

One row of s,t plane

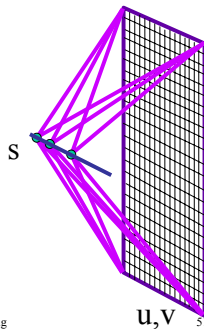
- i.e., hold t constant



3D Lumigraph

One row of s,t plane

- i.e., hold t constant
- thus s,u,v
- a "row of images"

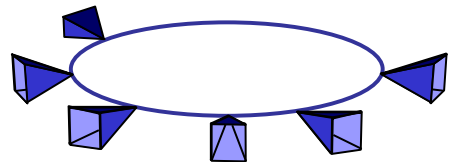


[Sloan *et al.*, Symp. I3DG 97]

Concentric Mosaics

Replace "row" with "circle" of images

[Shum & He, SIGGRAPH'97]



Concentric Mosaics



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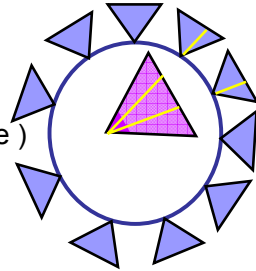
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Concentric Mosaics

Rendering

(as seen
from above)



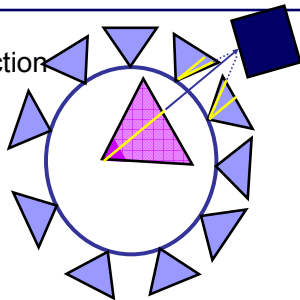
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Concentric Mosaics

Depth correction



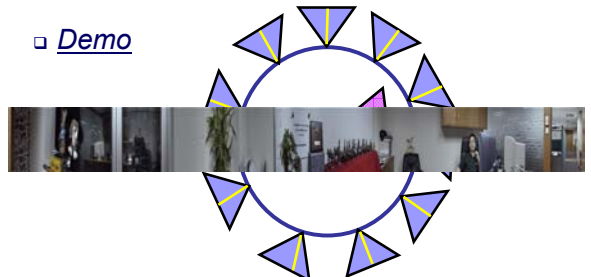
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Concentric Mosaics

□ *Demo*



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2.5D Representations

Image is 2D

Lumigraph is 4D

3D

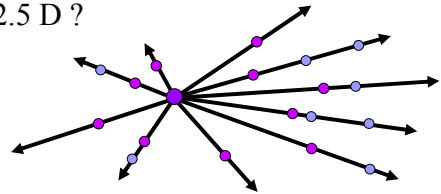
- 3D Lumigraph subset
- Concentric mosaics

2.5D

- Layered Depth Images
- Sprites with Depth (impostors)
- View Dependent Surfaces (see Façade)

Layered Depth Image

2.5 D ?

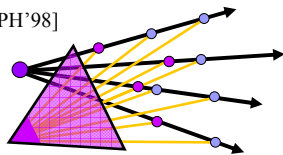


Layered Depth Image

Layered Depth Image

□ Rendering from LDI

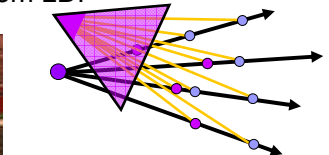
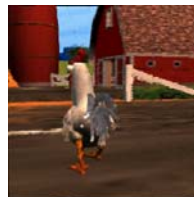
[Shade *et al.*, SIGGRAPH'98]



- Incremental in LDI X and Y
- Guaranteed to be in back-to-front order

Layered Depth Image

□ Rendering from LDI



- Incremental in LDI X and Y
- Guaranteed to be in back-to-front order

Sprites with Depth

Represent scene as collection of cutouts with depth (planes + parallax)

Render back to front with fwd/inverse warping [Shade *et al.*, SIGGRAPH'98]



Environment matting and compositing

D. E. Zongker, D. M. Werner,
B. Curless and D. H. Salesin.
SIGGRAPH'99

Environment Matting

Capture the *reflections* and *refractions* of a real-world object

Composite object over a novel background



Environment Matting - examples

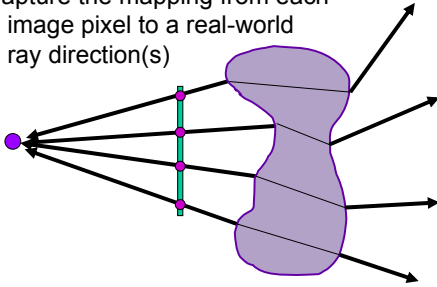


Figure 1 A water goblet, digitally composited onto background images, preserving the effects of refraction.

Movie

Environment Matting

Capture the mapping from each image pixel to a real-world ray direction(s)



Acquisition setup

Use several monitors with stripes

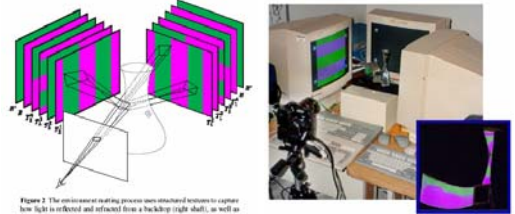


Figure 2 The environment matting process uses structured systems to capture how light is reflected and refracted from a background (right shell), as well as from various vantagepoints (left shell). The process also captures light coming from the background that is seen through unoccluded portions of a grid (center shell).

Environment matting equation

Captures foreground color and background directions

$$C = F + (1 - \alpha)B + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i \mathcal{M}(T_i, A_i)$$

Most standard texture-mapping methods actually compute the average value of an axis-aligned region of a texture, so we'll let $R_i = R_i A_i$. Letting $\mathcal{M}(T, A)$ be a texture-mapping operator that returns the average value of an axis-aligned region A of the texture T ,

Environment matting - result



Figure 4 From left to right we display each component, an environment with components, and a photograph of an object in front of a background image. The top row shows a virtual glass (ready to fly) the bottom row shows a rough method of glass (broken).

Environment matting extensions

[Chuang *et al.*, SIGGRAPH'2001]

- accurate (multiple refractions):
 - soft stripes
- fast (video rate):
 - color ramp



Figure 1. Sample composite images constructed with the techniques of this paper. Some that occurred on the left, and a more restricted example acquired as video rates on the right.

Image-Based Modeling

Image Based Models

Modeling and Rendering Architecture from Photographs
Debevec, Taylor, and Malik 1996

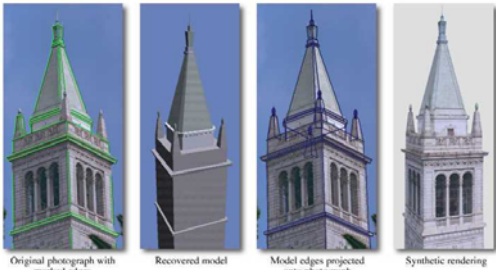
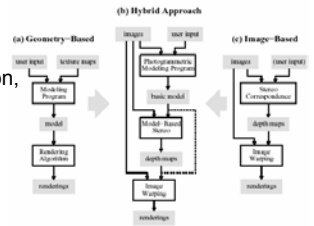


Image-Based Modeling

Create 3D model (and texture maps) from images

- automated
 - (structure from motion, stereo)
- interactive
 - Façade system



Façade

1. Select building blocks
2. Align them in each image
3. Solve for camera pose and block parameters (using constraints)

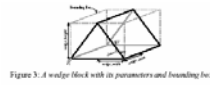


Figure 3: A wedge block with its parameters and bounding box.

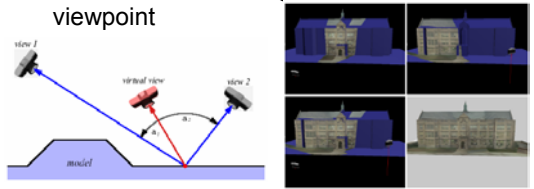


Figure 4: (a) A geometric model of a simple building. (b) The model's hierarchical representation. The nodes in the tree represent geometric primitives (walled blocks) while the links contain the spatial relationships between the blocks.



View-dependent texture mapping

1. Determine visible cameras for each surface element
2. Blend textures (images) depending on distance between original camera and novel viewpoint



Model-based stereo

Compute offset from block model



Some more results:



Image-Based Faces

Estimate shape from images

Match metrics to shape

Project video onto shape

- Texture map

Animate

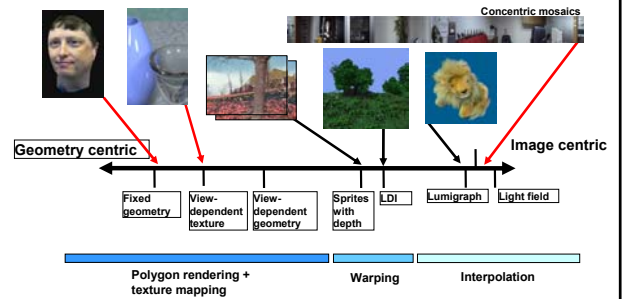
[Z. Liu *et al.*, MSR-TR-2000-11]



Hierarchy of Light Fields [Levoy]

- 8D: Refractive/reflective environment
- 5D: Plenoptic Function (Ray)
- 4D: Lumigraph / Lightfield
- 4D*: Environment Matte (single view)
- 3D: Lumigraph Subset
- 3D: Concentric Mosaics
- 2.5D: Layered Depth Image
- 2.5D: Image Based Models
- 2D: Images and Panoramas

Graphics/Imaging Continuum



What lies *beyond*
Image-Based Rendering?

Video-Based Rendering

Image-Based Rendering:

- render from (real-world) images for efficiency, quality, and photo-realism

Video-Based Rendering

- use *video* instead of still images for dynamic elements and source footage
- generate *computer video* instead of *computer graphics*

VBR Examples

Facial animation

- Video Rewrite, ...

Layer/matte extraction

- Video Matting, ...

Dynamic (stochastic) elements

- Video Textures, ...

3-D world navigation

- Image-Based Realities, ...



Facial animation

Modeling from still images

- [Pighin *et al.*, SG'98]



Lip-synching from video

- Video Rewrite [Bregler *et al.*, SG'97]
- [Ezzat *et al.*, SG'02]



Matting and Compositing

Digital Matting and Compositing



<http://grail.cs.washington.edu/projects/digital-matting/>

Overview

Matting and compositing are important operations in the production of special effects. These techniques enable directors to embed actors in a world that exists only in imagination, or to revive creatures that have been extinct for millions of years. During matting, foreground elements are extracted from a film or video sequence. During compositing, the extracted foreground elements are placed over novel background images.

Traditional approaches to matting include *blue-screen matting* and *rotoscoping*. The former requires filming in front of an expensive blue screen under carefully controlled lighting, and the latter demands talent and intensive user interaction. Our *Bayesian matting algorithm* (CVPR 2001) can pull alpha mattes of complex shapes from natural images. In the "video matting" paper (SIGGRAPH 2002), we extended this approach to video by interpolating user-drawn keyframes using optical flow. A novel technique for smoke matte extraction is also demonstrated.

Traditional compositing operations can only model color blending effects like anti-aliasing, motion blur and transparency. This model, however, can't model reflections, refractions and shadows. In SIGGRAPH 1999, we introduced *environment matting* which can capture how a foreground object refracts and reflects light. The foreground object can then be placed in a new environment using environment compositing, where it will refract and reflect light from that scene. We later developed more sophisticated sampling schemes to capture *mattes with hidden occlusions*, and techniques requiring fewer images, to allow for *real-time capture*. Shadows are yet another effects that traditional approaches fail to model correctly. In SIGGRAPH 2003, we introduced a novel process called "*shadow matting and compositing*" to acquire the photometric and geometric properties of the background for making realistic shadow composites.

Video Matting

Pull dynamic α -matte from video with complex backgrounds



[Chuang *et al.* @ UW, SIGGRAPH'2002]



Video Matting



Shadow Matting

Transfer a shadow from one background to another:

- Extract and model photometry (darkening)
- Extract and model geometry (deformation)



Shadow Matting

Shadow matting



(a) Source frame (b) Source fit image (c) Source shadow image (d) Recovered beta

Shadow matting. Starting from a source image sequence (one frame shown in (a)), we first remove the foreground character using video matting. Our shadow matting algorithm recovers it and shadow images (b,c) using max/min compositing. It then estimates β by projecting observed pixel colors onto the color lines between them (d).

Shadow Matting

Shadow compositing

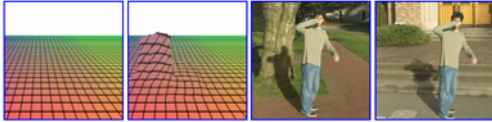


(a) Target fit image

(b) Target shadow image

(c) Composite without displacement

(d) Geometric shadow scanning



(e) Regular grid on the reference plane
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(f) Displacement map visualization
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(g) Composite with displacement

(h) Using another background

Shadow Matting

Video



Video Textures

Video Textures

How can we turn a short *video clip* into an ∞ amount of continuous video?

- dynamic elements in 3D games and presentations
- alternative to 3D graphics animation?



[Schödl, Szeliski, Salesin, Essa, SG'2000]

Video Textures

Find cyclic structure in the video



(Optional) region-based analysis
Play frames with random shuffle
Smooth over discontinuities (morph)

Region-based analysis



Crossfading and morphing

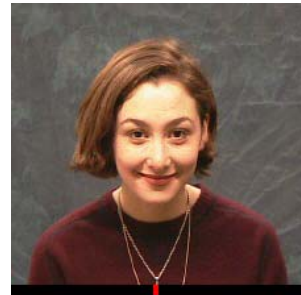


Jump Cut

Crossfade

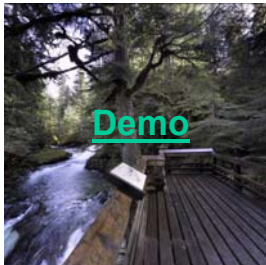
Morph

Video portrait



Dynamic scene element

Live waterfall in static panorama



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Interactive fish



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A complete animation



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Video-Based Tours

Video-Based Walkthroughs

Move camera along a rail ("dolly track") and play back a 360° video

Applications:

- Homes and architecture
- Outdoor locations (tourist destinations)

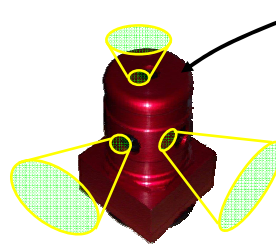


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Research

Surround video acquisition system



OmniCam (six-camera head)



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OmniCam



Built by Point Grey Research (*Ladybug*)

Six camera head

Portable hard drives, fiber-optic link

Resolution per image: 1024 x 768

FOV: $\sim 100^\circ \times \sim 80^\circ$

Acquisition speed: 15 fps uncompressed

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Acquisition platforms

Robotic cart



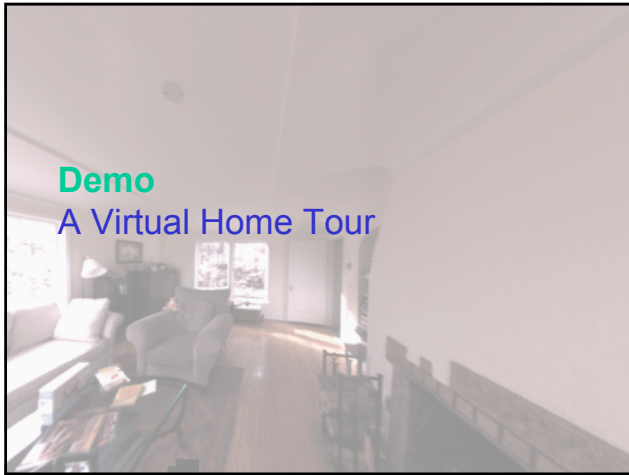
Wearable



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Open issues

How to best sample and interpolate Light Field

- (sub-?) pixel accurate stereo
- reflections, refractions, ...

Compositing

- how to insert Light Field into new environment
- relighting
- ...?

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