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Lightfield / Lumigraph



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• We have tools that acquire and tools that display photographs at a convincing quality level, for almost 100 years now







Sergei Mikhailovich Prokudin-Gorskii. A Settler's Family, ca. 1907-1915.



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Sergei Mikhailovich Prokudin-Gorskii. *Tea Factory in Chakva. Chinese Foreman Lau-Dzhen-Dzhau.* ca. 1907-1915.





Sergei Mikhailovich Prokudin-Gorskii. *The Emir of Bukhara, 1911.*

RGB in early 1900's





Lightfield – Lumigraph approach [Levoy96, Gortler96]

- Take all photographs you will ever need to display
- Model becomes database of rays
- Rendering becomes database querying



Plenoptic function

- Defines all the rays
 - through any point in space (x, y, z)
 - with any orientation (θ, ϕ)
 - over all wavelenghts (λ)
 - at any given moment in time (t)

$$\rho = P(x, y, z, \phi, \varphi, \lambda, t)$$



IBR summary

Representation of plenoptic function



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From 7D to 4D $\rho = P(x, y, z, \phi, \varphi, \lambda, t)$

- Static scene, t constant
- λ approximated with RGB
- consider only convex hull of objects, so the origin of the ray does not matter



4D Lightfield / Lumigraph





Discreet 4D Lightfield





Lightfield: set of images with COPs on regular grid

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or Lightfield: set of images of a point seen at various angles

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(b)



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Depth correction of rays





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Construction from dense set of photographs



Construction from sparse set of photographs

acquisition stage

camera positions

space carving 30

Filling in gaps using pull-push algorithm

- Pull phase
 - low res levels are created
 - gaps are shrunk
- Push phase
 - gaps at high res levels are filled using low res levels

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Compression

- Large size uncompressed: 1.125GB
 32x32 (s, t) x 256x256 (u, v) x 6 faces x 3 B
- Compression
 - jpeg + mpeg (200:1 to 6MB)
 - or vector quantization + entropy encoding

Vector Quantization (VQ)

• Principle

- codebook made of codewords
- replace actual word with closest codeword
- Implementation
 - training on representative set of words to derive best codebook
 - compression: replacing word with index to closest codeword
 - decompression: retrieve indexed codeword from codebook

Lightfield compression using VQ

