

Free-form Scanning of Non-planar Appearance with Neural Trace Photography



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• Realistic Material Appearance is Important



Culture Heritage



e-Commerce







Visual Effects

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Capturing Appearance is Challenging



3D Mesh

6D SVBRDF (Varies with Location, Lighting & View)

Digital Model





[Kang et al. 2019]

[Aittala et al. 2015

Sampling Efficiency	High	Low	
Spatial Coherence	No		
Anisotropic	Yes		
Movable	No		
Max Sample Size	Limited		

Differentiable Framework

- High-quality Scanning of Anisotropic Appearance
- Automatically Learns
 - Lighting Condition
 - Measurements => Reflectance
- Adapts to Various Factors
 - Point/Linear/Area Light
 - Setup's Geometry

Our Scanned Results



Key Insight: Appearance Scanning = Geometry Learning





Related Work



Related Work



Fixed View(s)



Unstructured Views

Deep-Learning-Based Priors



Fixed View(s) - Point Light(s)

- [Dong et al. 2010; Aittala et al. 2015;2016; Li et al. 2017; Deschaintre et al. 2018]
- Nearly Flat Appearance
- Low Efficiency in Lighting-View Domain
 - Point Sampling



Fixed View(s) - Illumination Multiplexing

- Linear Light Source
 - [Gardner et al. 2003; Ren et al. 2011; Chen et al. 2014]
 - Planar Appearance
 - Some Requires Pre-captured BRDF Patches
- Lightstages
 - [Ghosh et al. 2009; Tunwattanapong et al. 2013; Aittala et al. 2013; Kang et al. 2019]
 - Anisotropic
- Pixel-Independent Reconstruction
- Require a Fixed View
 - No Information Aggregation Across Views



[Gardner et al. 2003]

[Ren et al. 2011]



Related Work



Multiplexing

Deep-Learning-Based Priors

b)

Unstructured Views - Traditional Priors

- Camera-Flash [Lensch et al. 2003; Riviere et al. 2016; Nam et al. 2018]
- Kinect Sensor [Wu et al. 2015]
- Require Spatial Coherence for Regularization
 - e.g. Linear Combinations of Basis Materials
- Isotropic Reflectance



[Lensch et al. 2003]



[Riviere et al. 2016]



Unstructured Views - Deep-Learning-Based Priors

[Deschaintre et al.2019; Gao et al.2019; Guo et al.2020; Bi et al. 2020]

- Unclear How to Extend to Complex Lights
- Often **Discard** View Conditions
- Isotropic Reflectance



[Deschaintre et al.2019]





[Gao et al.2019]









- LED Array
 - 512 Lights
 - 32cm×16cm
 - 40W
- Single Camera
 - Basler acA2440-75uc
 - 75fps
 - Resolution 2448×2048
- High-Precision Synchronization
 - Custom-designed Circuits/FPGA



• Why an LED Array ?



Point Sampling in Illumination Domain

LED Array



Sample Multiple Lights Simultaneously,)



Appearance Acquisition Scene

Captured Images





Our Framework



Assumptions

- Pre-Captured 3D Shape
- Pixel-Independent Reconstruction
- Fixed Lighting Pattern
- Relative Motion
 - Fixed Scanner / Moving Sample



Neural Trace Photography





Lumitexel

Scanner



Per-Point Lumitexel





Lumitexel

Scanner



Per-Point Lumitexel





Lumitexel

Scanner Sample

Per-Point Lumitexel





Illumination Multiplexing

Scanner







Per-point Pipeline





Per-point Pipeline





Trace



- Previous Work
 - [Dong et al. 2014; Gardner et al.2003; Ren et al. 2011; Morris and Kutulakos 2007]
- Our Definition:

A Collection of High Dimensional Points

Each Point = Measure. + Acquisition Condition

Lighting Condition + View Condition

Varying

Fixed

View Conditions





Trace







- Correlation Between Trace & Lumitexel
 - Challenging to Derive Manually





• Order Independence







• Irregularly Sampled







• Variable-Length





Trace

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Motivate the Use of Geometry Learning Tools



Key Insight: Appearance Scanning = Geometry Learning

Per-point Pipeline





Output Lumitexel

- Challenges
 - LED Array Coverage is Incomplete
 - Multiple Unstructured Views
 - Which View Should Be the Output One?


Output Lumitexel

- Virtual Camera
- Virtual Lights
 - 6×8^2 Diffuse Lumitexel
 - 6 × 32² Specular Lumitexel
- Use the Shading Frame as the Coordinate System

Parameterization For Output Lumitexel



Synthetic Lumitexel Reconstruction



Output Lumitexel

- Virtual Camera
- Virtual Lights
 - 6 × 8² Diffuse Lumitexel





Only Geometric Frame is Known. Accurate Shading Frame is Unknown!

Parameterization For Output Lumitexel



Front Bottom



Virtual Lights

Output Lumitexel

Use Geometric Frame Instead





Per-point Pipeline





Trace Scanning Variant Info Scanning Invariant Info

Reflectance Properties

What We Want!





















Loss Function



β: Confidence = Input Highlight Coverage

$\beta = 0.5$	$\beta = 0.75$	$\beta = 1.0$		
Less Coverage —		→ More Coverage		



Per-point Pipeline





Fitting



Our Pipeline

Final Texture Maps



Training Data

- 200M Synthetic Traces
 - Random BRDF Parameters (Anisotropic GGX)
 - Random Position / Visible Local Frame for Each View
- To Increase Robustness
 - Add Gaussian Noise to BRDF Parameters / Simulated Measurements
 - 30% Dropout Rate to fc Layers



Statistics

Max Dimension of a Sample9~32cmShape Scanning20minutesAppearance Scanning9minutes (1,000 photos)

Image Registration Lumitexel Prediction Reflectance Fitting Training 2 hours
6 minutes
2 hours
66 hours





Results



Captured Appearance Rendered with Novel Lighting & View Conditions



	Diffuse Albedo	Specular Albedo	Normal	Tangent	Roughnesses	Geometry
Ironman						
Amiibo						
Bust						
Vase						





Validation Results





Comparisons

Photo

[Nam et al. 2018]



Ours

Scanned Shape + Optimized Pattern Shape from [Nam et al. 2018] + Optimized Pattern



Comparisons

Ours





High-End Lightstage [Kang et al. 20<u>19]</u>



Evaluations



Repeatability



Scan #1

Scan #2







Impact of Geometric Quality



High Quality Mesh from 3D Scanner Filtered Mesh from 3D Scanner

Mesh from COLMAP



Impact of Camera Pose Error





Impact of Specular Highlight Coverage





Impact of Lighting Patterns



Impact of Training Views



Training Views #





Impact of Test View





Limitations

- No Consideration for Global Illumination
- Need a Relatively Precise 3D Shape
- Cannot Recover Appearance Substantially Deviated from Training Samples



Conclusions

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Future Work

• Extend to a Similar Device



iPad Pro (2nd Gen)

• Unified Neural Scanner for Shape + Reflectance





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