## 3D Scene Reconstruction with Multi-layer Depth and Epipolar Transformers

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#### Goal: 3D scene reconstruction from a single RGB image





#### **RGB** Image

3D Scene Reconstruction (SUNCG Ground Truth)

#### Pixels, voxels, and views: A study of shape representations for single view 3D object shape prediction (CVPR 18. Shin, Fowlkes, Hoiem)

Question: What effect does shape representation have on prediction?













CVPR 18

## Coordinate system is an important part of shape representation



## Synthetic training data





Top: RGB training images generated using RenderForCNN [3]. Our RGB dataset consists of 2.4M renderings of 34,000 3D CAD models from 12 object categories in ShapeNet.

## Surfaces vs. voxels for 3D object shape prediction



#### CVPR 18

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# Network architecture for surface prediction



#### CVPR 18

## Experiments

- Three difficulty settings (how well does the prediction generalize?)
  - Novel view: new view of model that is in training set
  - Novel model: new model from a category that is in training set
  - Novel category: new model from a category that is not in the training set
- Evaluation metrics: Mesh surface distance, Voxel IoU, Depth L1 error
- Same procedure applied in all four cases.

What effect does **coordinate system** have on prediction?

Viewer-centered vs. Object-centered



**CVPR 18** What effect does **shape representation** have on prediction?

Voxels vs. multi-surface



Surface distance (mean, lower is better)































#### Inspiring examples from 3D-R2N2's Supplementary Material

#### Input

#### Multi-surface Pred.

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Shape representation is important in learning and prediction.

• Viewer-centered representation generalizes better to difficult input, such as, novel object categories.

• 2.5D surfaces (depth and segmentation) tend to generalize better than voxels and predicts higher fidelity shapes (thin structures)



#### Viewer-centered vs. Object-centered: Human vision

- Tarr and Pinker <sup>1</sup>: Found that human perception is largely tied to viewer-centered coordinate, in experiments on 2D symbols
- McMullen and Farah<sup>2</sup>: Object-centered coordinates seem to play more of a role for familiar exemplars, in line drawing experiments.
- We do not claim our computational approach has any similarity to human visual processing.



[1]: M. J. Tarr and S. Pinker. *When does human object recognition use a viewer-centered reference frame?* Psychological Science, 1(4):253–256, 1990

[2]: P. A. McMullen and M. J. Farah. *Viewer-centered and object-centered representations in the recognition of naturalistic line drawings.* Psychological Science, 2(4):275–278, 1991.

## Follow-up work (Tatarchenko et al., CVPR 19):

What Do Single-view 3D Reconstruction Networks Learn?

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- They observe that SoA single-view 3D object reconstruction methods actually perform image classification, and retrieval performance is just as good.
- Following our CVPR 18 work, they recommend the use of viewer-centered coordinate frames.

## Follow-up work (Zhang et al., NIPS 18 oral):

#### Learning to Reconstruct Shapes from Unseen Classes

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MIT CSAIL	MIT CSAIL	MIT CSAIL
<b>Joshua B. Tenenbaum</b>	William T. Freeman	<b>Jiajun Wu</b>
MIT CSAIL	MIT CSAIL, Google Research	MIT CSAIL

- Zhang et al. performs single-view reconstruction of objects in novel categories.
- Their viewer-centered approach achieves SoA results.
- Following our CVPR 18 work, they experiment with both object-centered and viewer-centered models and validate our findings.

How can we extend viewer-centered, surface-based object representations to **whole scenes**?

## Background: Typical monocular depth estimation pipeline



### 2.5D in relation to 3D



- 3D requires predicting **both** visible and occluded surfaces!

## Multi-layer Depth

## Synthetic dataset



CAD model of 3D Scene (SUNCG Ground Truth, CVPR 17)



## **RGB** Rendering

Physically-based rendering (PBRS, CVPR 17)





#### Learning Target:



**Object First-hit Depth Layer** 

"Traditional depth image with segmentation"







Learning Target:



**Object Instance-exit Depth Layer** 

"Back of the first object instance"



# $\mathsf{D}_5$

#### Learning Target:



#### Room Envelope Depth Layer





## **Multi-layer Surface Prediction**



Input RGB Image



Encoder-decoder



**Predicted** Multi-layer Depth and Semantic Segmentation

## **Multi-layer Surface Prediction**



Input RGB Image



Multi-layer Depth Prediction and Segmentation



#### Surface Reconstruction from multi-layer depth

## 3D scene geometry from depth (2.5D)

- How much geometric information is present in a depth image?



RGB image (2D)



2.5D depth





Mesh representation of a synthetically generated depth image (SUNCG).





## **Epipolar Feature Transformers**

#### Multi-layer is not enough. Motivation for multi-view prediction



# *Multi-view prediction from a single image:* **Epipolar Feature Transformer Networks**



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**Transformed Virtual View Features** 





#### Height Map Prediction



Ground Truth



L1 Error Map
# Multi-layer Multi-view Inference



Frontal Multi-layer Prediction



Frontal View Surface Reconstruction



Input Image



**Height Map Prediction** 



Virtual View Surface Reconstruction

## Network architecture for multi-layer depth prediction



## Network architecture for multi-layer semantic segmentation



## Network architecture for virtual camera pose proposal



## Network architecture for virtual view surface prediction



## Network architecture for virtual view semantic segmentation





**Reconstructed** Virtual View Scene

Predicted Virtual View

Geometry

Transformed Virtual View Feature Maps (232 channels)

# Layer-wise cumulative surface coverage



Table 1: Scene surface coverage (recall) of ground truth depth layers with a 5cm threshold. Our predictions cover 93% of the scene geometry inside the viewing frustum.

# Results













3D Reconstruction



Input View / Alternate viewpoint





Input View / Alternate viewpoint

# Previous state-of-the-art based on **object detection** and **volumetric** object shape prediction

- CVPR 2018
  - "Factoring Shape, Pose, and Layout from the 2D Image of a 3D Scene" by **Tulsiani** et al.
  - 3D scene geometry prediction from a single RGB image





#### Object-based reconstruction is sensitive to detection and pose estimation errors



Our viewer-centered, end-to-end scene surface prediction

Object-detection-based state of the art (Tulsiani et al., CVPR 18)

#### Results on real-world images: object detection error and geometry



## Results on real-world images



### Results on real-world images



# **Quantitative Evaluation Metric**



Predicted 3D Mesh

Surface Coverage Precision-Recall



#### Ground Truth 3D Mesh

"Inlier" Threshold: ◄-->

Precision

Recall













# Our multi-layer, virtual-view depths vs. Object detection based state-of-the-art, 2018



## Layer-wise evaluation



Top-down virtual-view prediction improves both precision and recall

	Precision	Recall
$D_{1,2,3,4}$	0.499	0.417
$D_{1,2,3,4}$ & Overhead	0.519	0.457

(Match threshold of 5cm)

## Synthetic-to-real transfer of 3D scene geometry on ScanNet

 $D_{1,2,3,4,5}$  & Overhead

Tulsiani et al. [43]



We measure recovery of true object surfaces and room layouts within the viewing frustum (threshold of 10cm).

We project the center of each voxel into the input camera, and the voxel is marked occupied if the depth value falls in the first object interval (D1, D2) or the occluded object interval (D3, D4).



High resolution voxels

Our fully convolutional, viewer-centered inference of 3D scene geometry





High resolution voxels





High resolution voxels



High resolution voxels



Input Image





High resolution voxels



 Visible
 Image: Semantic Segmentation

Output



High resolution voxels



Input Image





High resolution voxels



Input Image





High resolution voxels



Output

High resolution voxels
## Voxelization of multi-layer depth maps



High resolution voxels

## Supplemental Video

Our approach: Multi-layer Depth Representation



## Conclusion

- Multi-layer and virtual-view prediction from a single image





- Surface-based accuracy evaluation



Synthetic-to-real transfer of 3D scene geometry prediction, evaluated quantitatively



Geometric comparison with detection-based voxel prediction methods



Code and dataset coming soon. Follow on Twitter for updates!

