#### **NeRF : Representing Scenes as Neural Radiance Fields for View Synthesis**

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#### **Outline**

- Intro
- Previous works
- NeRF : Representing Scenes as Neural Radiance Fields for View Synthesis
- Method
- Results
- Going forward





#### **Intro**

• 3D Rendering and View synthesis







#### **Previous works**

- RGB $-\alpha$  volume rendering for synthesis
	- $\cdot$  Large N-d array contains RGB $-α$  information.







#### **Previous works**

- Neural Network as shape representation
	- Deep SDF
	- Occupancy network







#### **NeRF : Neural Radiance Field Scene Representation**

- Neural Network as scene representation
	- Volume rendering with neural radiance fields
	- View synthesis and image-based rendering **Ben Mildenha**







- Neural Network as a scene representation
	- Generalization?  $\rightarrow$  X
	- Overfitted by 1 specific scene.
	- Weights of NN represents the scene!



Fully-connected neural network

( 256 channels, 9 layers )





• Representing a scene as a continuous 5D function







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	- Optimize every ray with gradient descent (l2 loss)







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 $\cdot R^{2L} \leftarrow R$ : map into higher dimensional space.





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	- ² View-dependent RGB color



• Color (radiance) distributions of the same point on ships viewed by different angles.

Fig. 3: A visualization of view-dependent emitted radiance. Our neural radiance field representation outputs RGB color as a 5D function of both spatial position x and viewing direction **d**. Here, we visualize example directional color distributions for two spatial locations in our neural representation of the *Ship* scene. In (a) and (b), we show the appearance of two fixed 3D points from two different camera positions: one on the side of the ship (orange insets) and one on the surface of the water (blue insets). Our method predicts the changing specular appearance of these two 3D points, and in  $(c)$  we show how this behavior generalizes continuously across the whole hemisphere of viewing directions.





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**Ground Truth** 

**Complete Model** 

No View Dependence No Positional Encoding

Fig. 4: Here we visualize how our full model benefits from representing viewdependent emitted radiance and from passing our input coordinates through a high-frequency positional encoding. Removing view dependence prevents the model from recreating the specular reflection on the bulldozer tread. Removing the positional encoding drastically decreases the model's ability to represent high frequency geometry and texture, resulting in an oversmoothed appearance.





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- Comparisons with previous methods
	- Synthetic dataset







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	- Real world scenes





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# **Going forward**

- Decrease training and inference time (currently 30 sec per high-resolution frame)
	- Mip-NeRF (A Multiscale Representation for Anti-Aliasing Neural Radiance Fields) <https://jonbarron.info/mipnerf/>
- Disentangle more graphics attributes to allow additional applications, such as relighting ▪ NeRV (Neural Reflectance and Visibility Fields for Relighting and View Synthesis) <https://pratulsrinivasan.github.io/nerv/>
- Generalize to more than one scene without training from scratch and requiring fewer input images





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