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# 3D Reconstruction with Polarization

GNeRP: Gaussian-guided Neural Reconstruction of Reflective Objects with Noisy Polarization Priors

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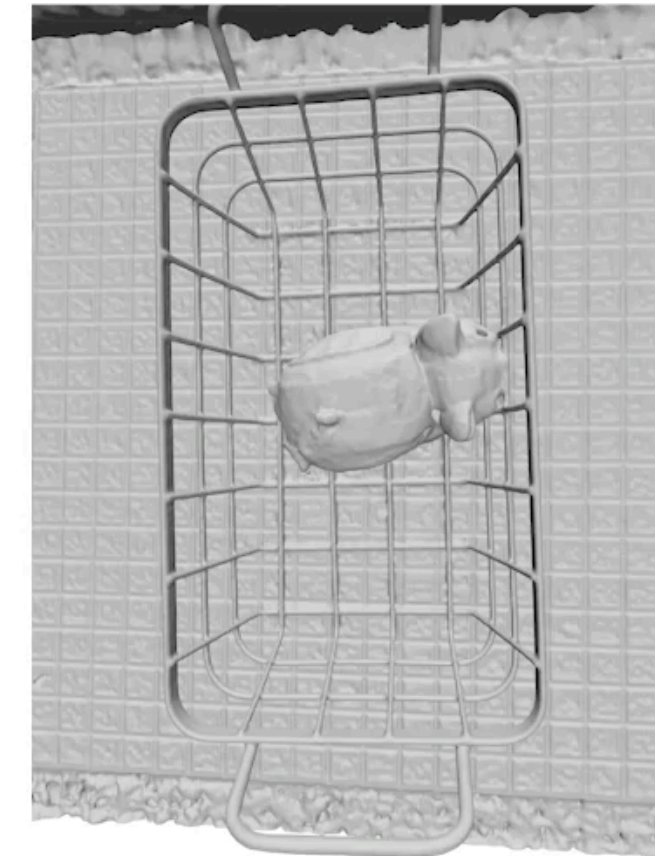
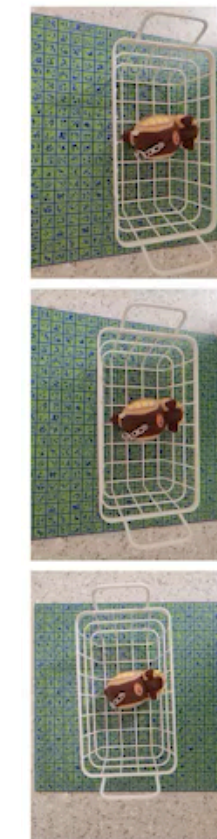
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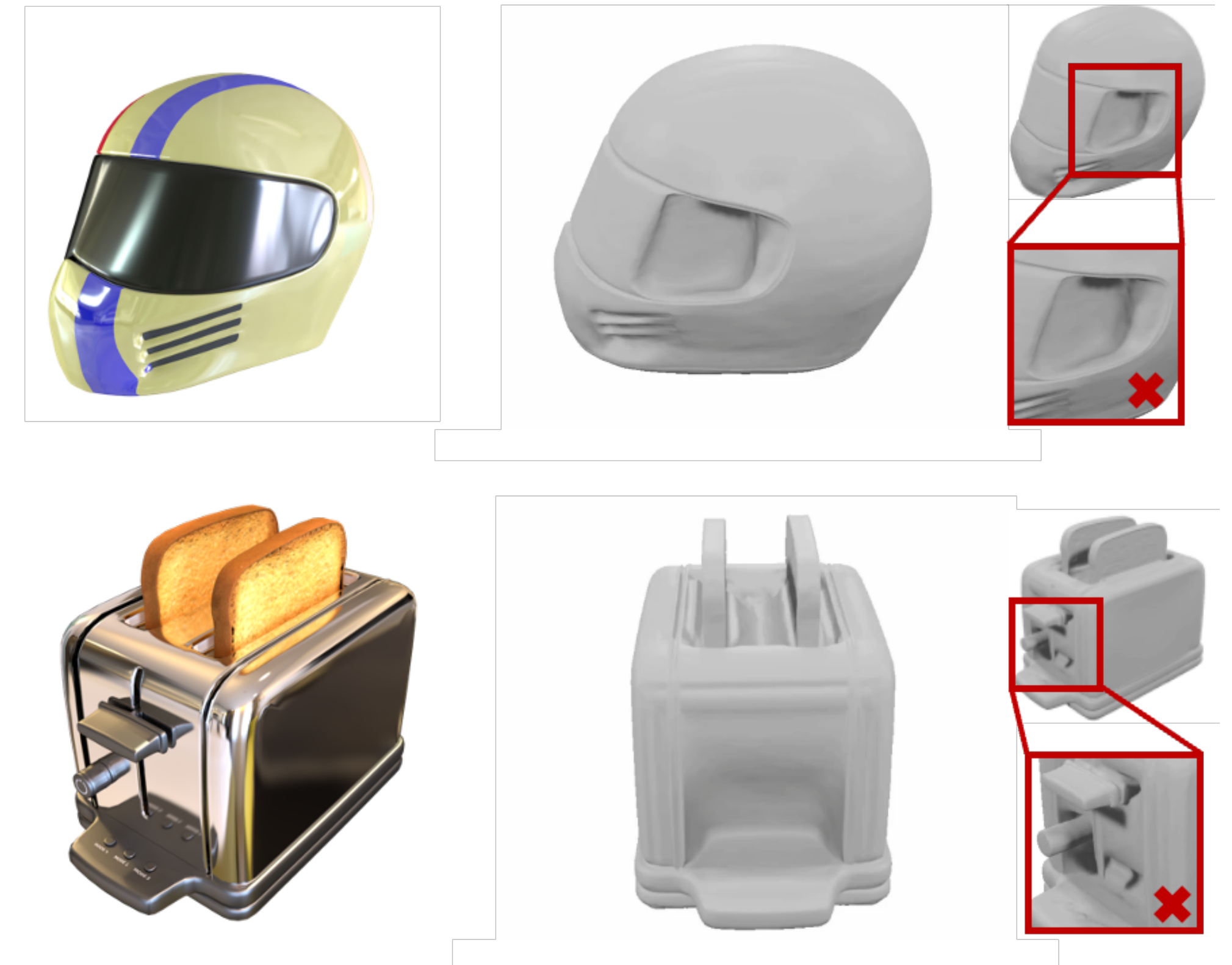
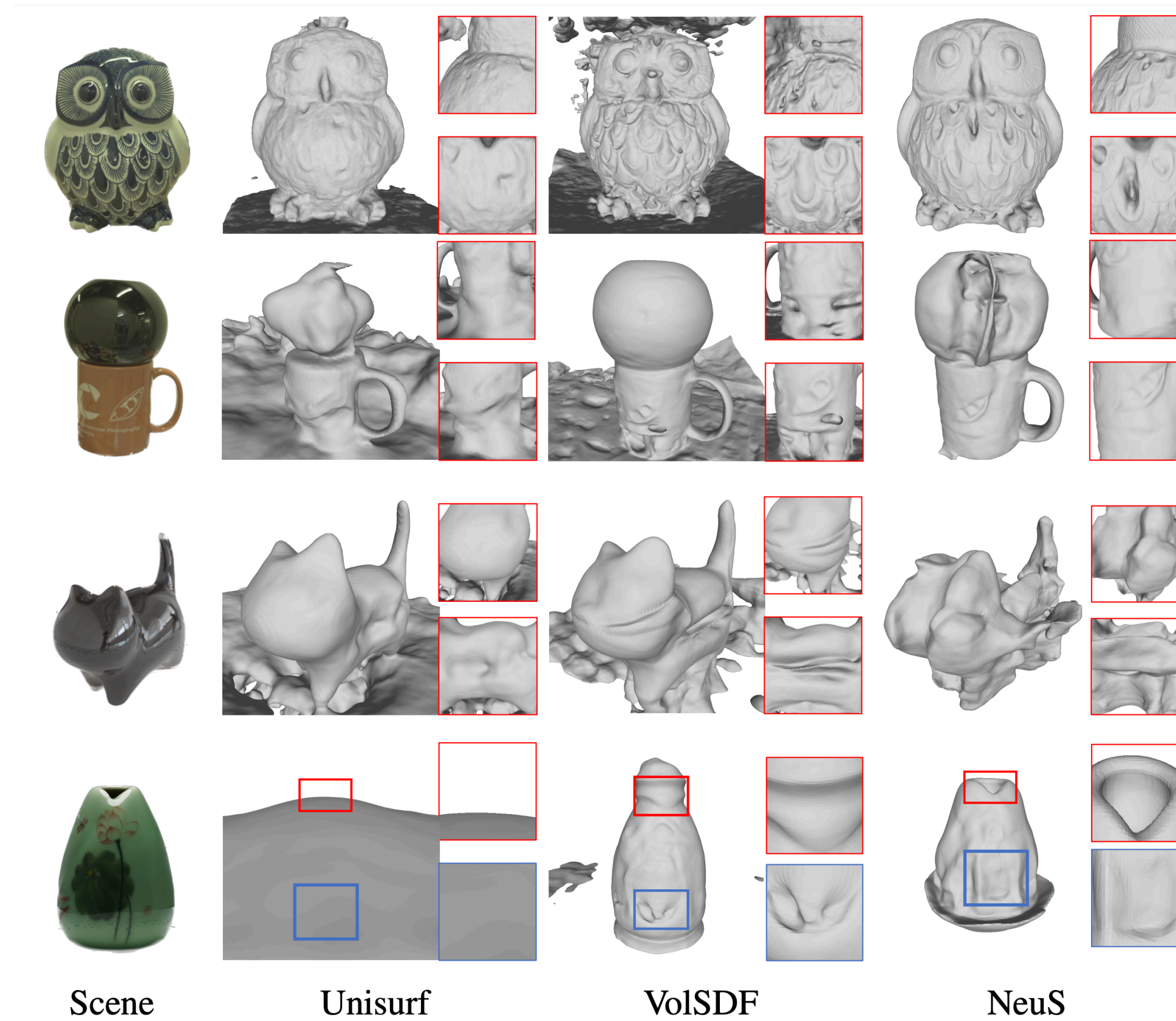
# Multi-view 3D Reconstruction

Existing methods have the ability to recover accurate geometry of diffuse objects



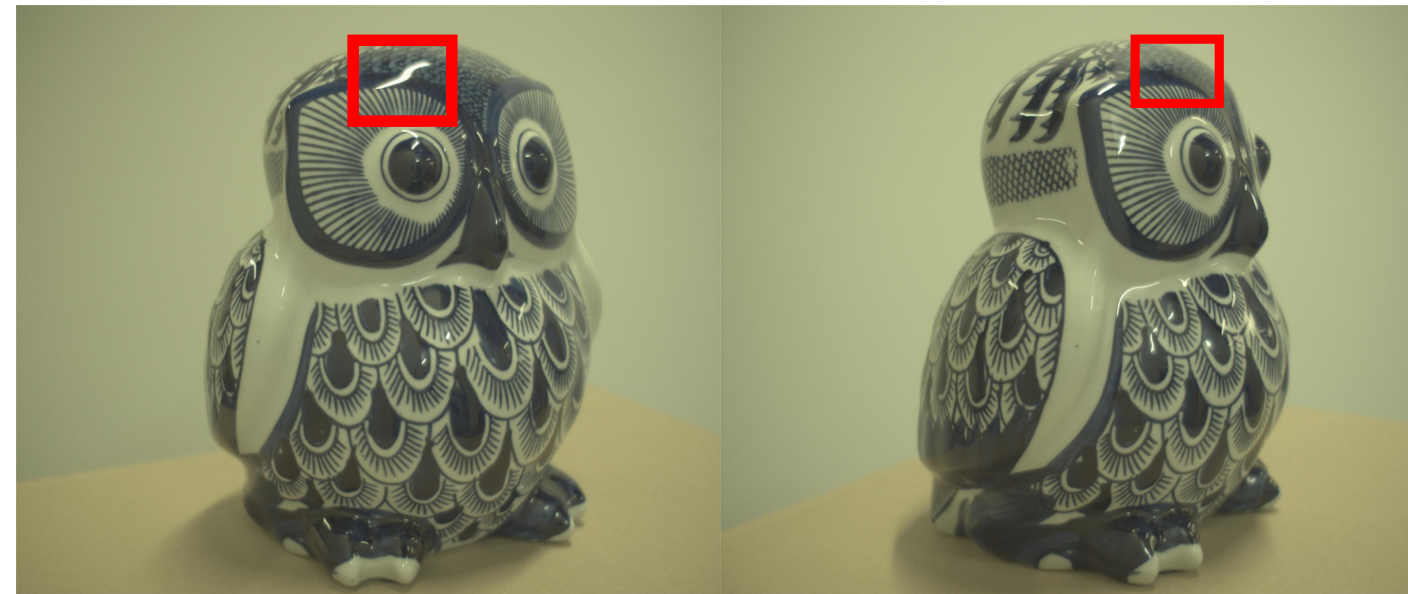
# Multi-view 3D Reconstruction

However, existing methods are unable to reconstruct reflective objects



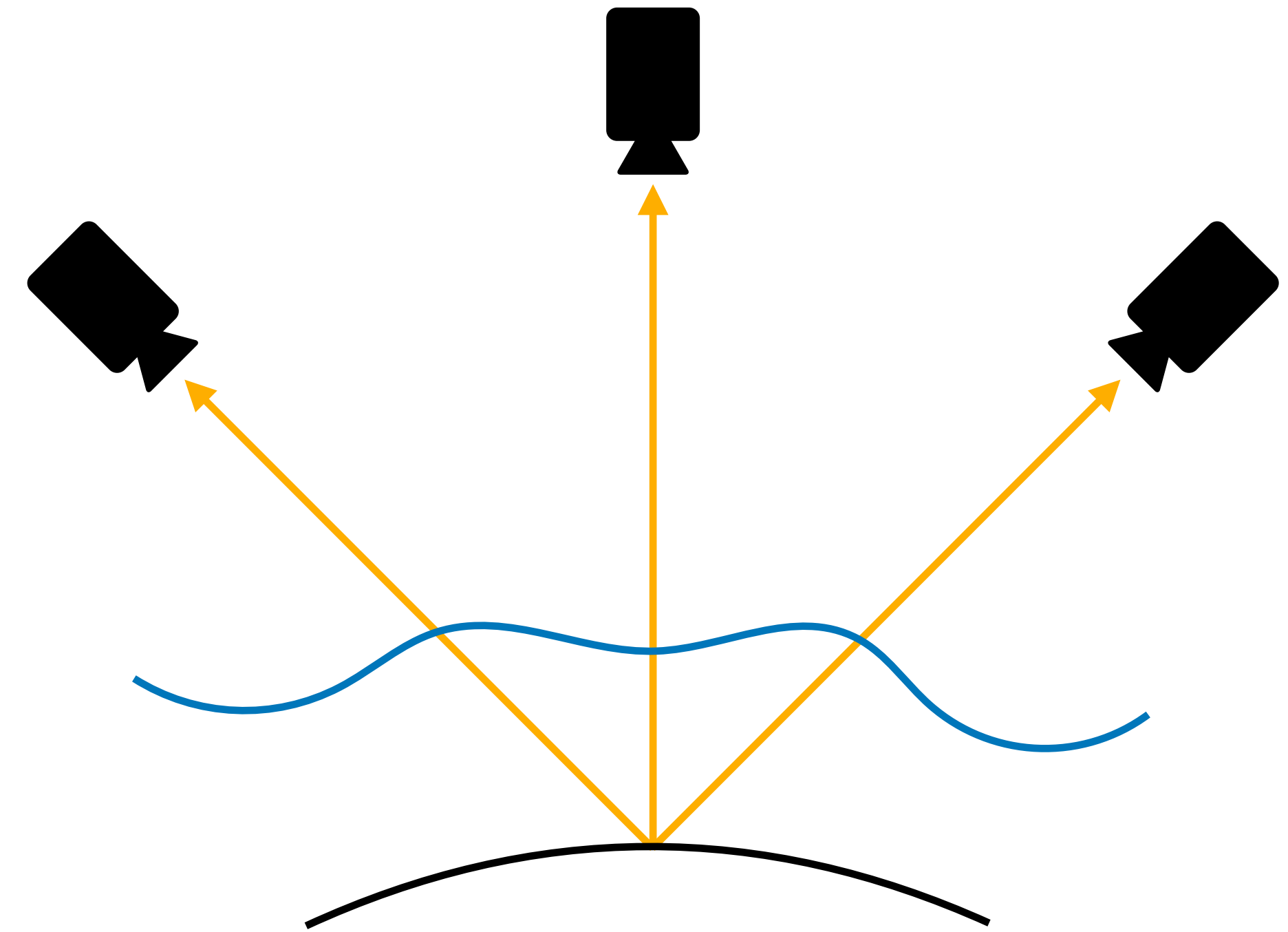
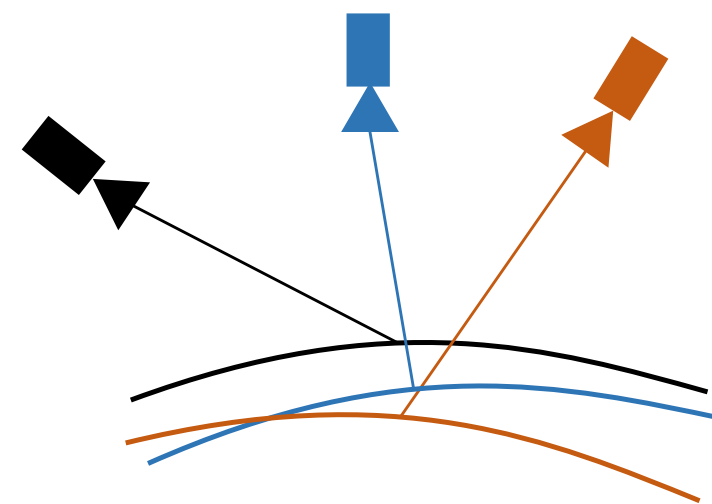
# Dilemma in Reflective Objects

Multi-view inconsistency results in high-frequency specular radiance



Multi-view Inconsistency

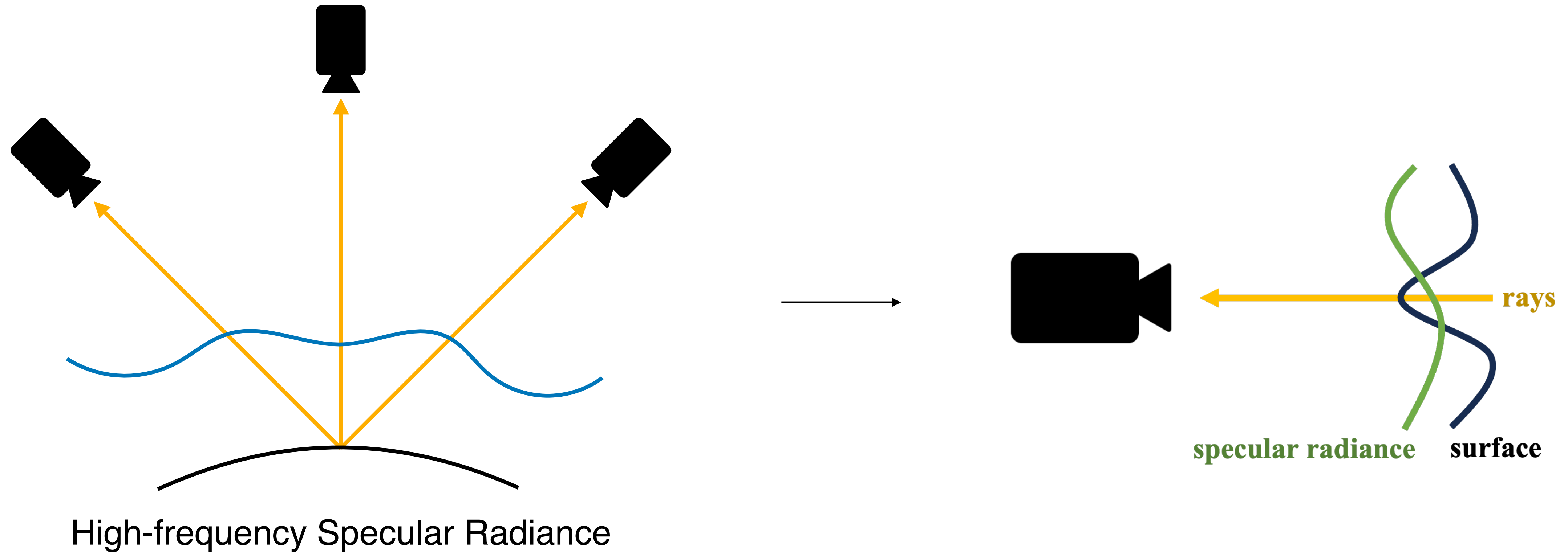
- Ambiguous surfaces from radiance images



High-frequency Specular Radiance

# Dilemma in Reflective Objects

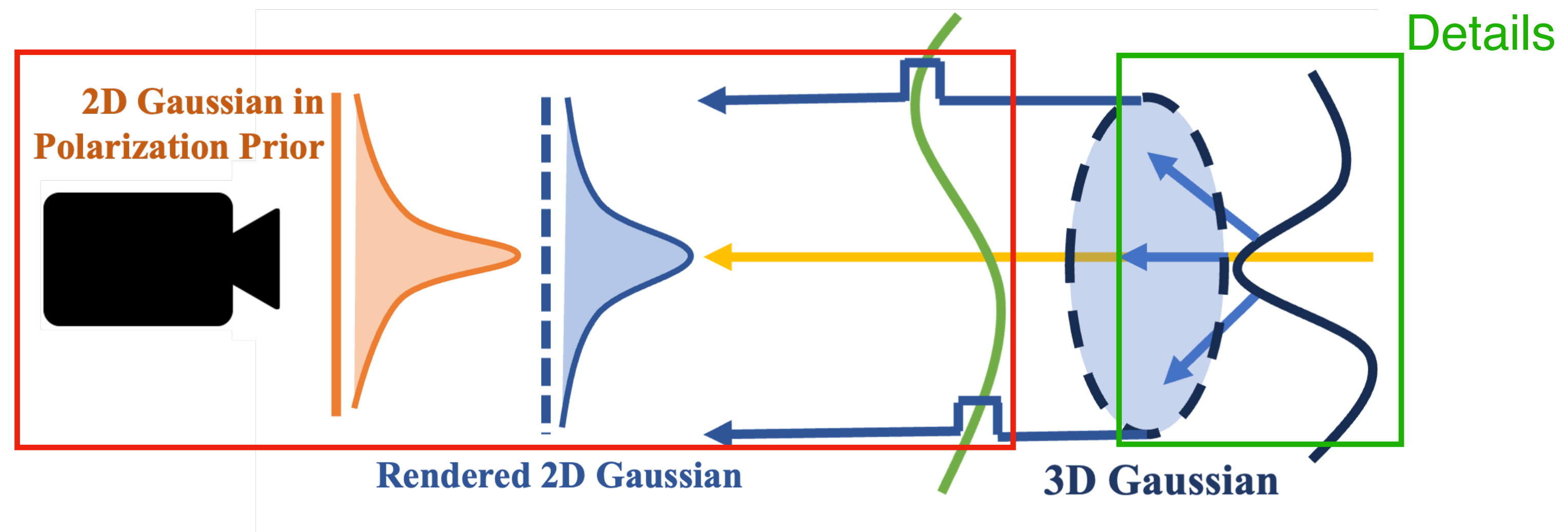
Moreover, disentangle complicated geometry from specular radiance is more intractable



# Our Motivation

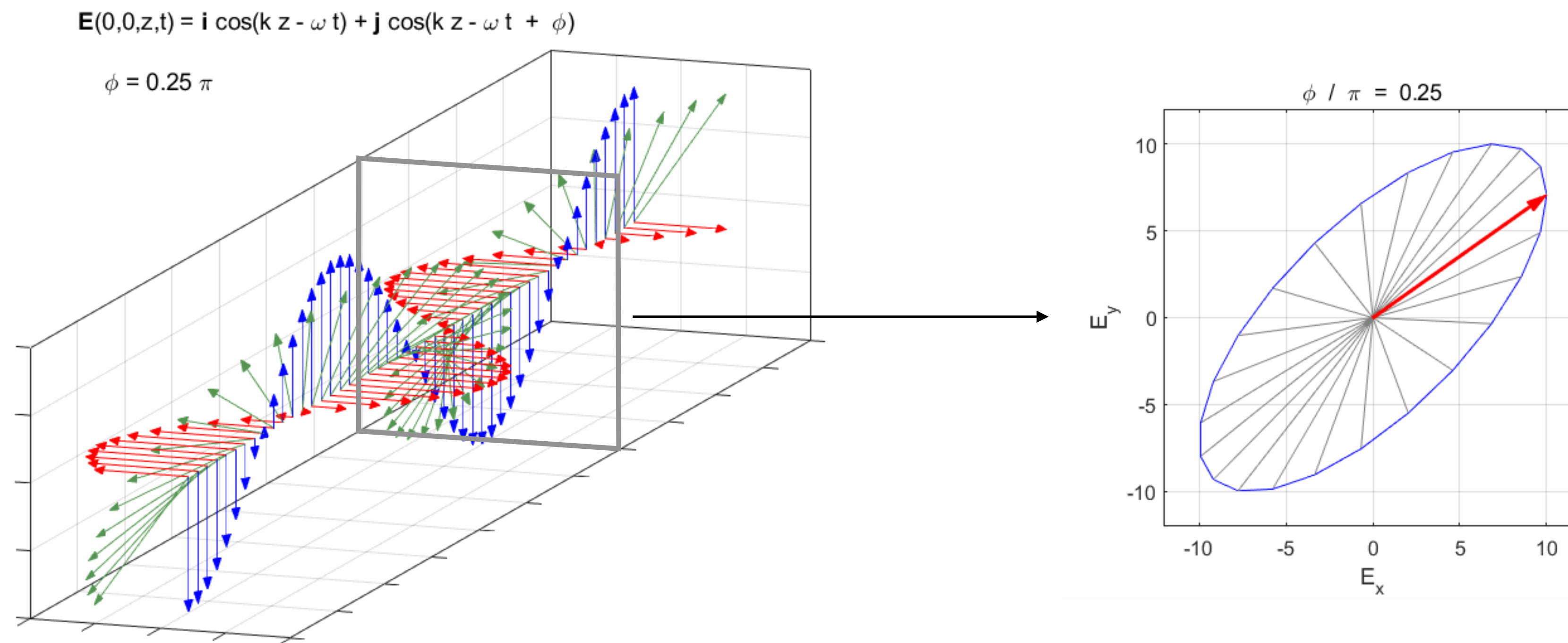
Gaussian representation of normals is disentangleable and contains details of geometry.

Disentanglement



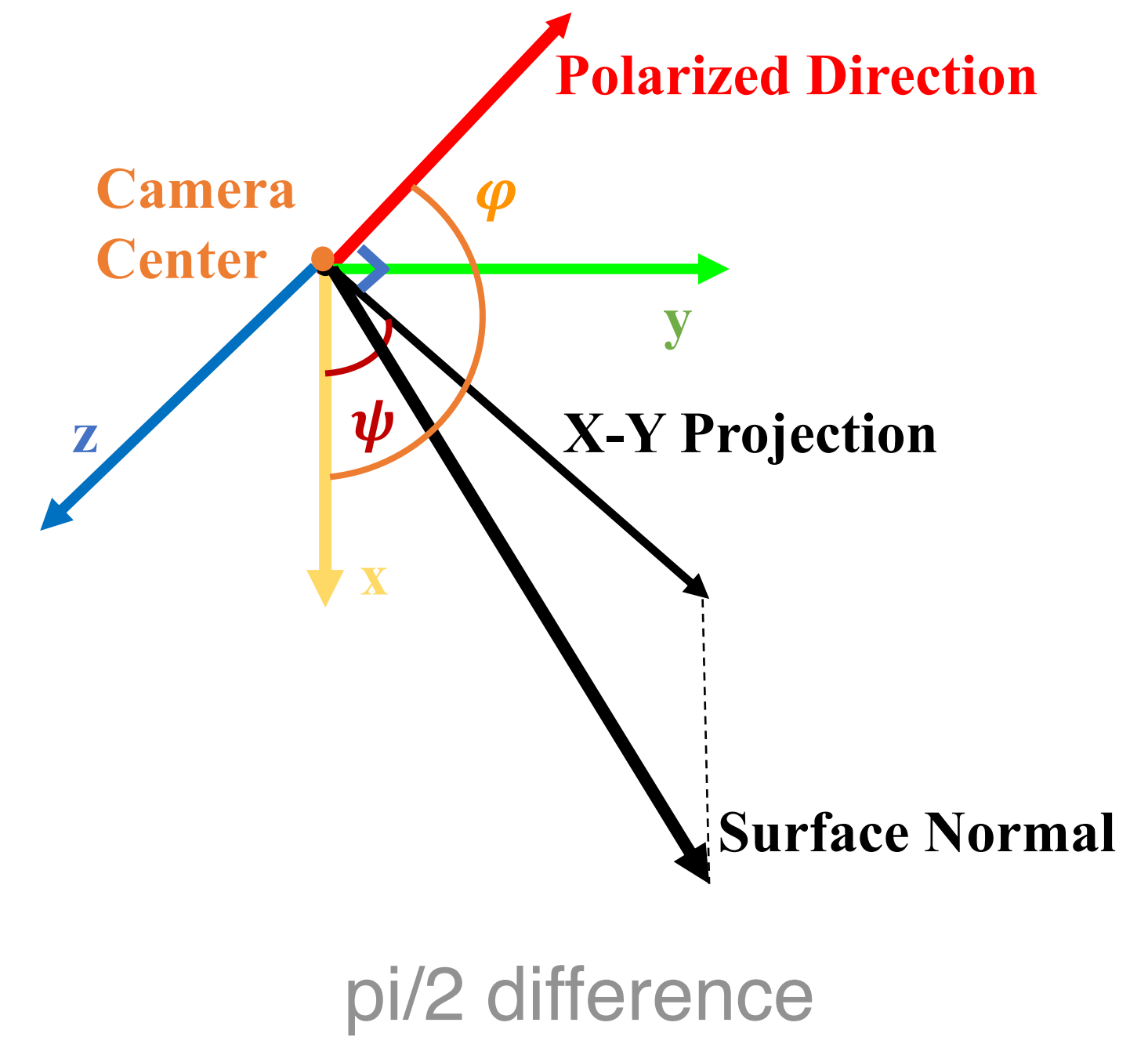
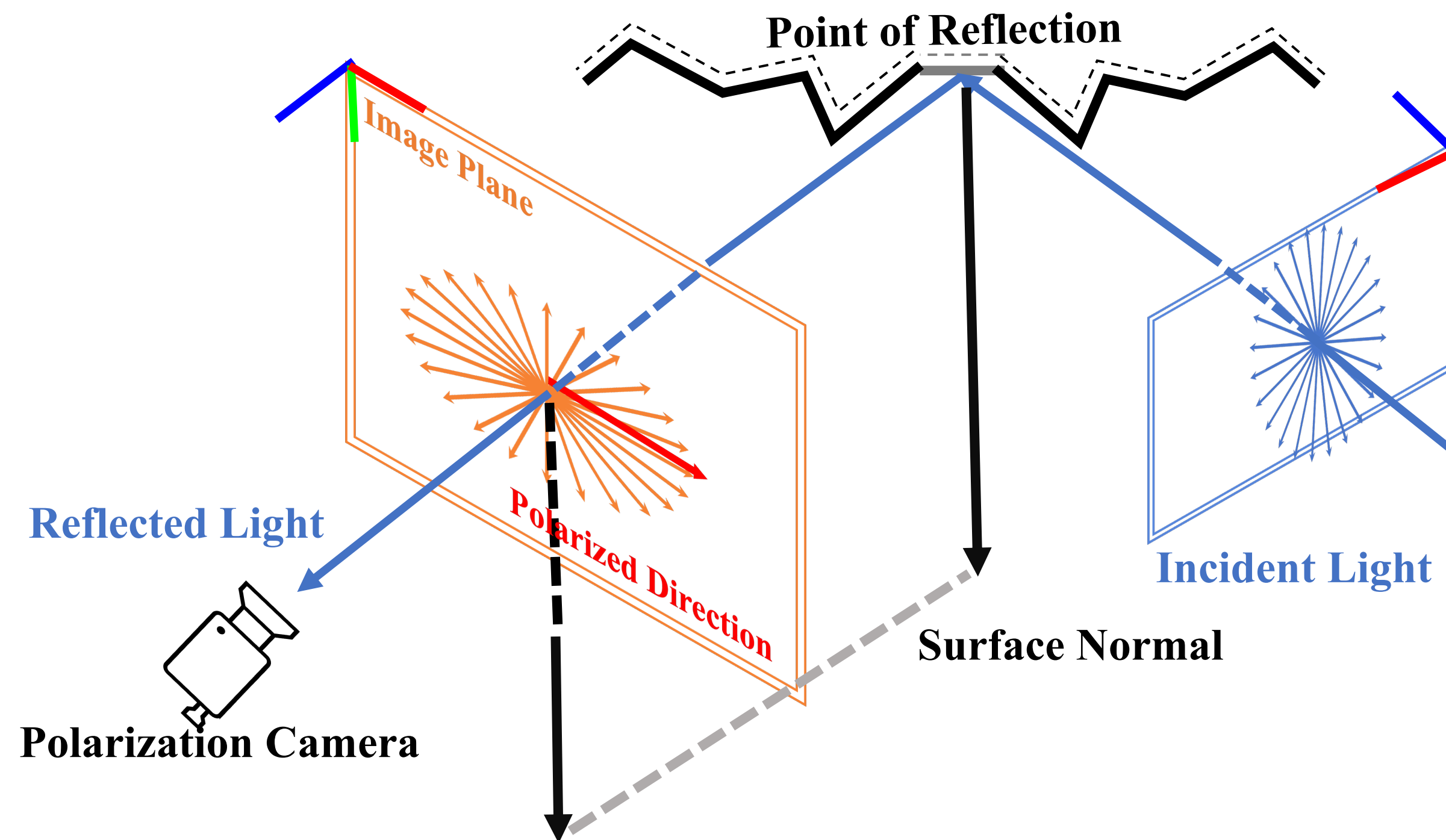
# Preliminary of Polarization

Vibration status of light is a type of electromagnetic wave



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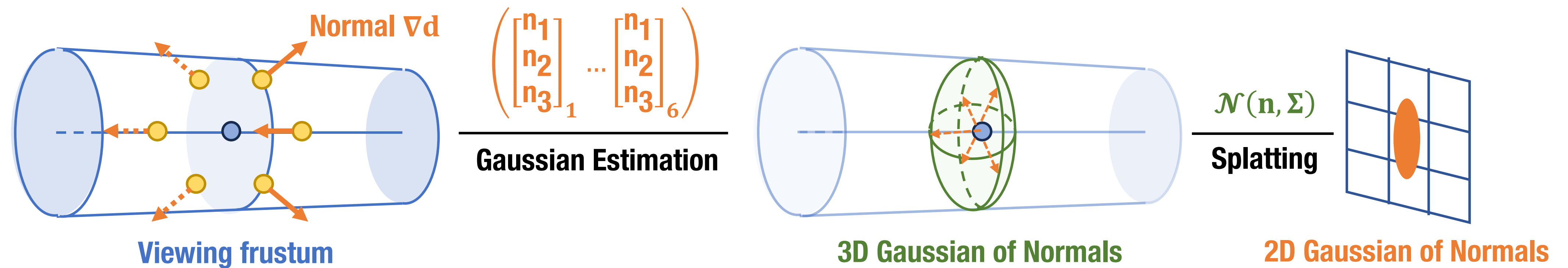
Fixed relation to the azimuth angle of surface normals





# Our Method

Gaussian representation of normals



$$\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{x}_i) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_i), \Sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} |\Sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_i))^T \Sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_i))\right)$$

# Our Method

## Gaussian splatting of normals

Transformation:

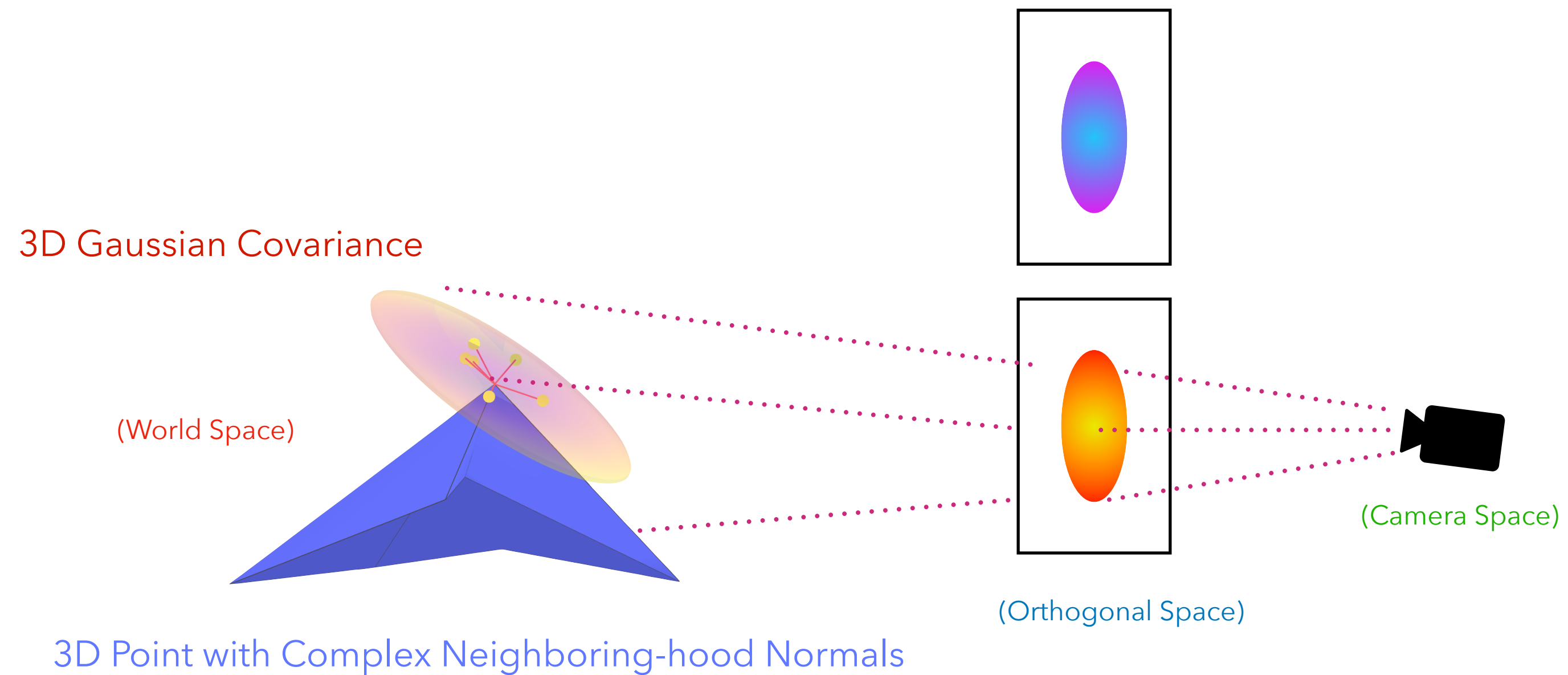
$$r''(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_k) = \mathcal{G}_{V_k''}(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_k) \text{ (World Space)}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \Phi(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{d}$$

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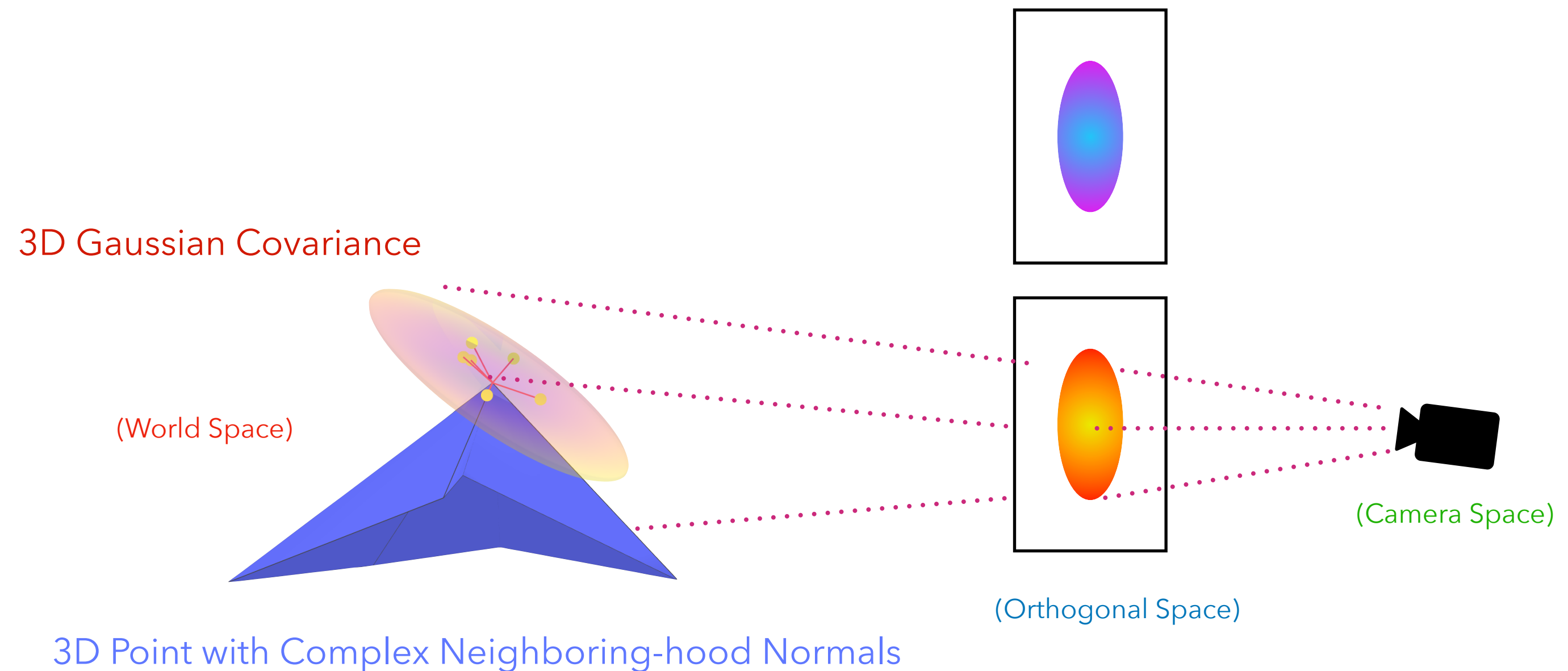
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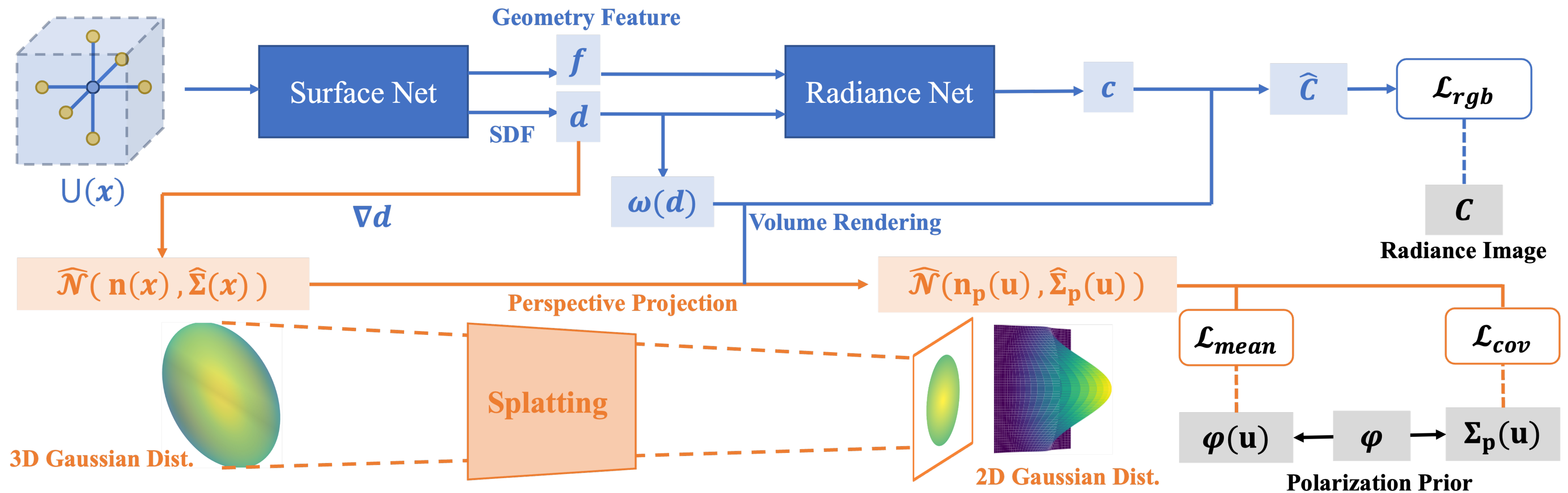
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{m}_u(\mathbf{u}) \text{ Strict Linear}$$

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## Overview



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Total loss

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \alpha(1 - \rho)\mathcal{L}_{\text{color}} + \beta\rho(\mathcal{L}_{\text{mean}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{cov}}) + \gamma\mathcal{L}_{\text{eik}} + \delta\mathcal{L}_{\text{mask}}, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{color}} &= \|\hat{\mathbf{C}}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{u})\|_2, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{mean}} = \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}(\mathbf{n}_p(\mathbf{u})) - \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{u})\|_1, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{cov}} &= \left( \left\| \begin{array}{c} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_1 \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_0 \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_1 \\ \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_0 \end{array} \right\|_1 + \beta' \langle \hat{\mathbf{v}}, \widetilde{\mathbf{v}} \rangle \right) (\mathbf{u}), \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{eik}} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K (\|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} d(\mathbf{x}_i)\|_2 - 1)^2,\end{aligned}$$

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Degree-of-polarization reweighing strategy

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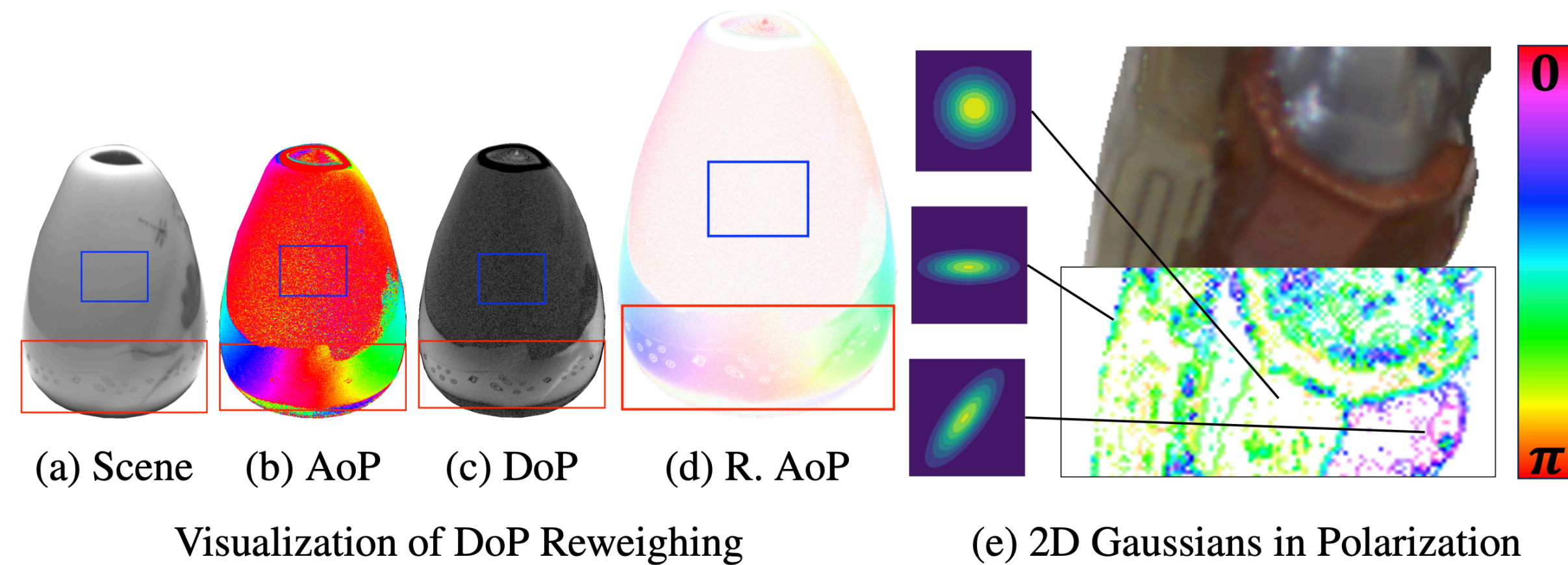
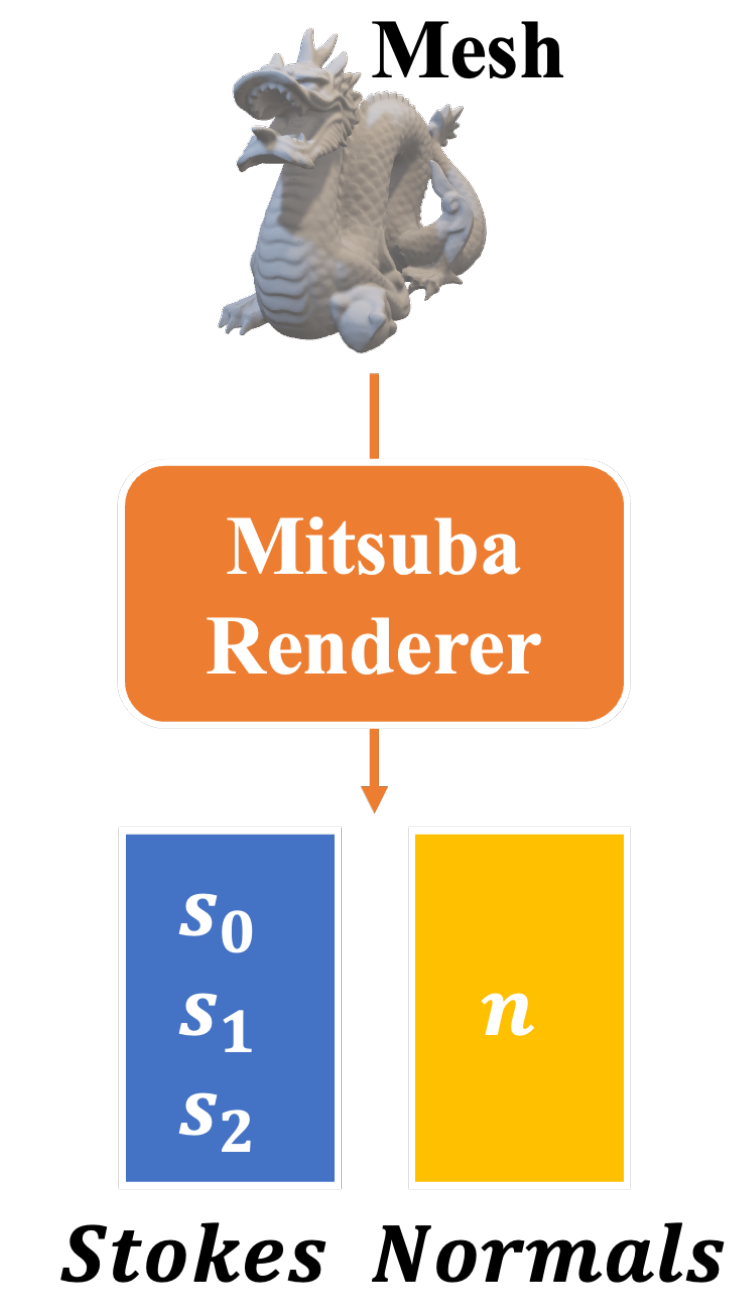
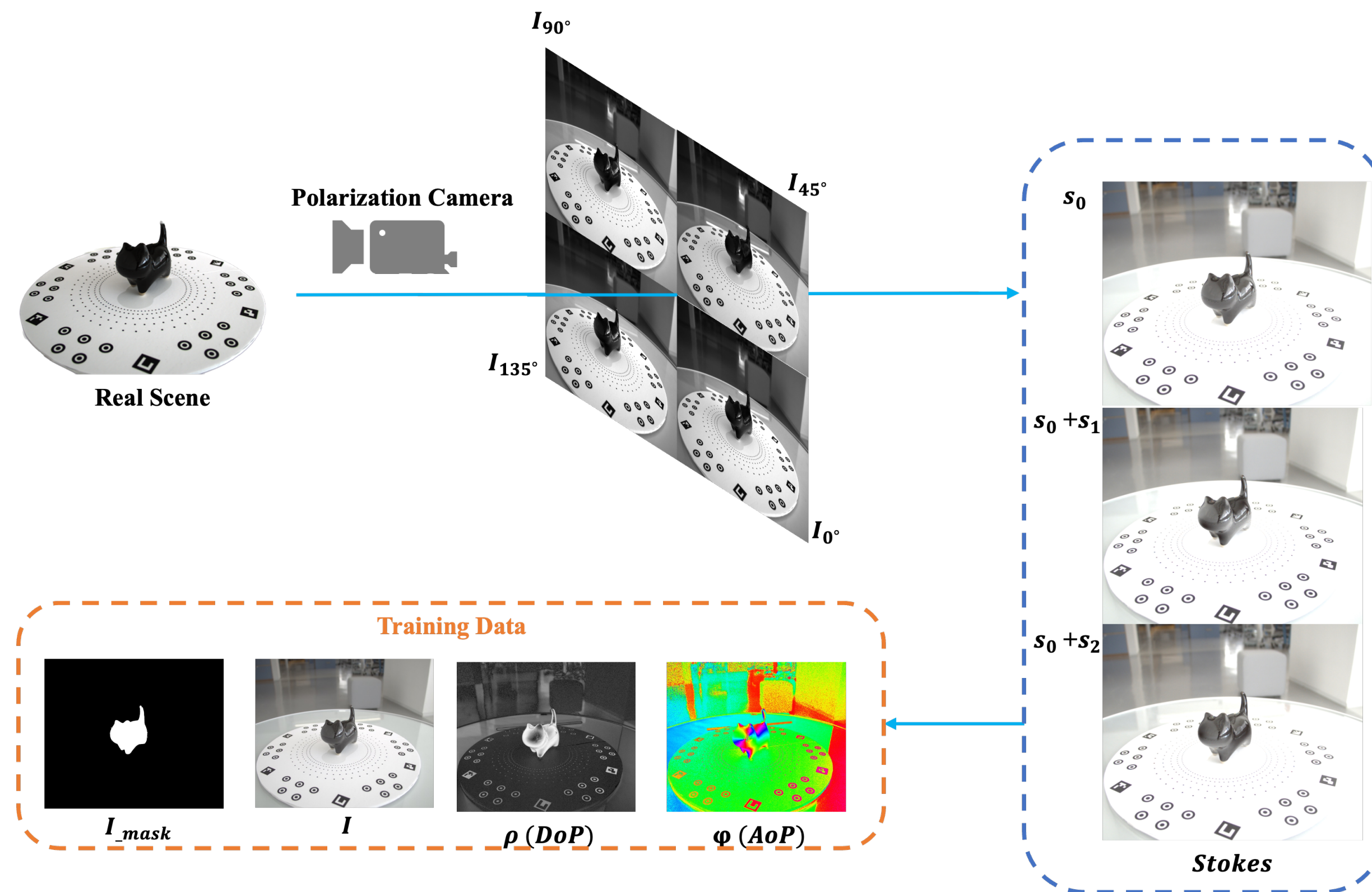


Figure 4: Visualization of Reweighted AoP Priors. Red boxes bound specular reflection dominant regions, and the blue boxes bound diffuse ones. (d) is the AoP map reweighted by DoP. Saturation in (e) indicates the degree of anisotropy, and color represents the direction of the singular vector of 2D Gaussians' covariance. A few 2D Gaussians are drawn as ellipses for intuition.

# Experiments

## Data collection and generation





# Experiments

## Evaluation protocol

$$\text{CD} (P_1, P_2) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| x_i - \text{Nearest} (x_i, P_2) \right| + \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n \left| x_j - \text{Nearest} (x_j, P_1) \right|$$

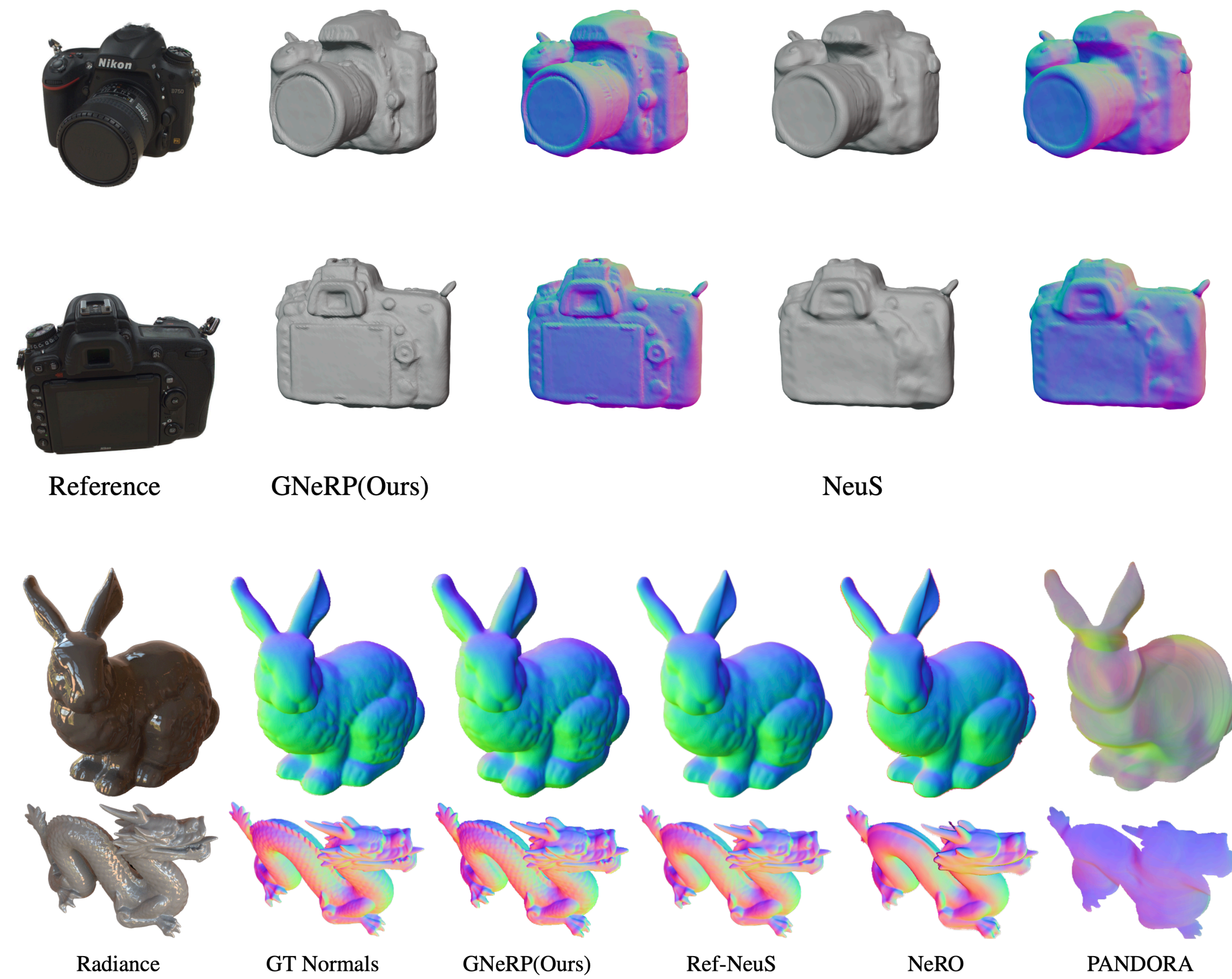
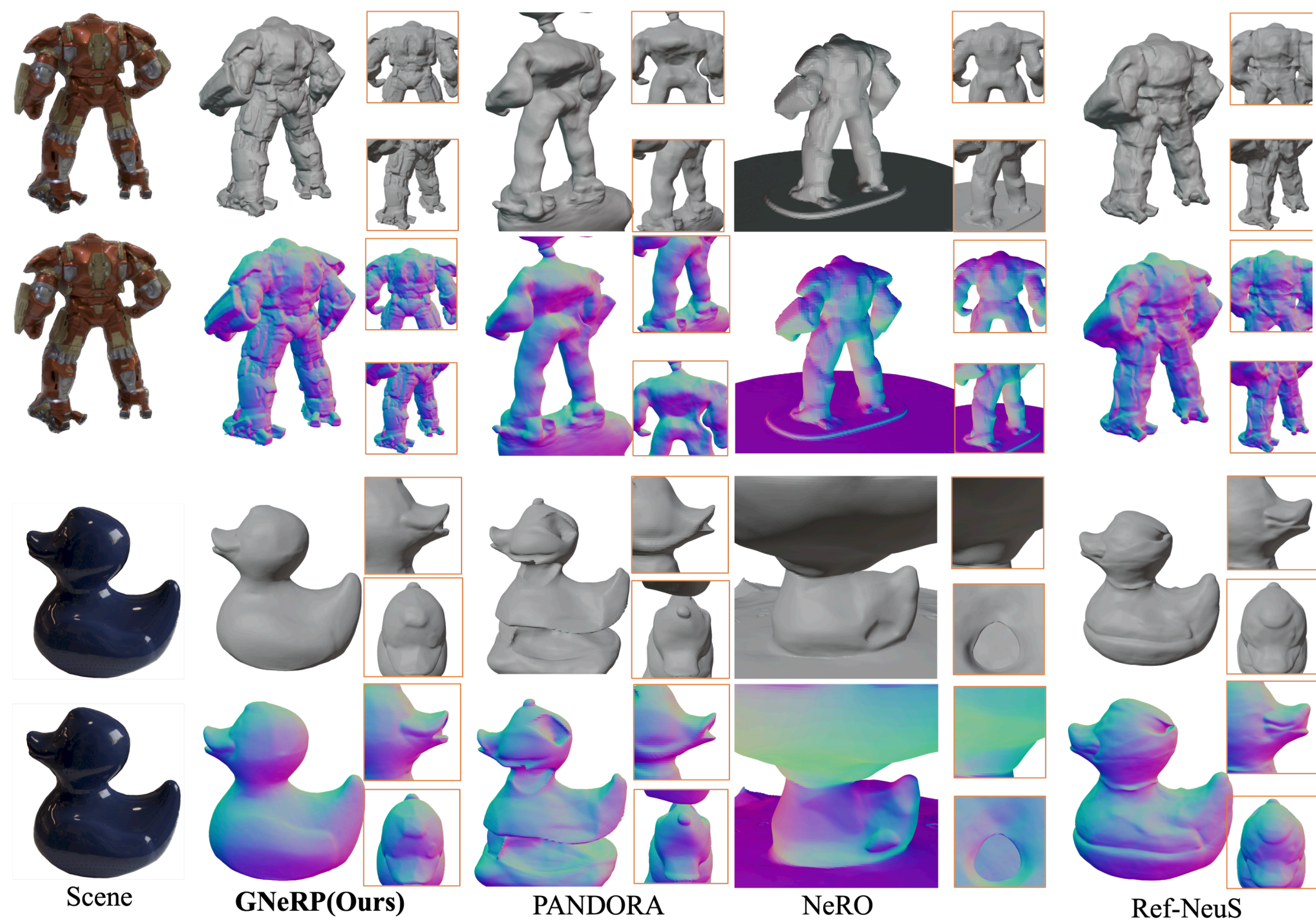
Real & Synthetic Data

$$\text{MAE} (\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \mathbf{n}) = \frac{1}{NM} \arccos \left( \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}_i^j \cdot \mathbf{n}_i^j}{\|\hat{\mathbf{n}}_i^j\| \|\mathbf{n}_i^j\|} \right)$$

Synthetic Data

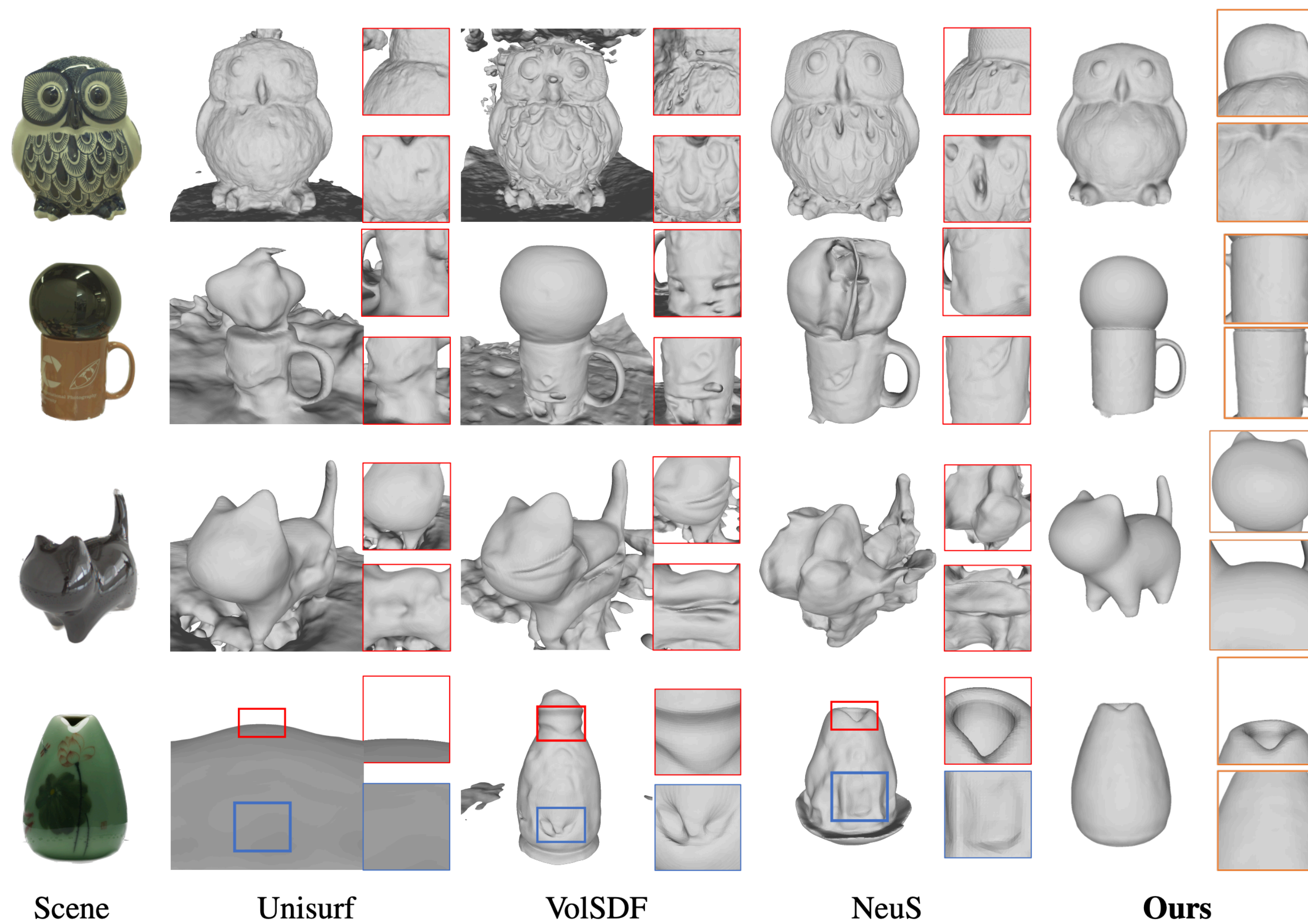
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SOTA results



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## SOTA results

Methods	Ironman	Duck	Cow	Snorlax	Mean
Unisurf* (Oechsle et al., 2021)	3.97	10.83	14.43	14.33	10.89
VolSDF (Yariv et al., 2021)	2.72	5.16	5.95	3.20	4.26
NeuS (Wang et al., 2021)	<u>2.28</u>	<u>2.12</u>	3.82	<u>2.11</u>	<u>2.58</u>
Geo-NeuS (Fu et al., 2022)	4.77	10.12	17.48	10.39	10.82
NeuralWarp (Darmon et al., 2022)	12.44	19.78	5.41	20.57	14.55
NeRO* (Liu et al., 2023)	2.29	23.75	<u>2.95</u>	24.30	13.32
Ref-NeuS (Ge et al., 2023)	<u>1.88</u>	<u>1.93</u>	<u>3.66</u>	<u>1.99</u>	<u>2.34</u>
PANDORA † (Dave et al., 2022)	4.61	5.28	7.96	5.73	5.90
<b>GNeRP</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.63</b>	<b>1.39</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>1.35</b>

Table 1: Quantitative comparison with state-of-the-art methods. The evaluation metric is Chamfer Distance. The lower is better. \* indicates the method doesn't use object masks. † refers to the use of polarization priors. The best scores are **bold**, the second best scores are double underlined, and the third best scores are underlined.

Scene	GNeRP (Ours)		Ref-NeuS		NeRO		PANDORA	
	CD ↓	MAE ↓	CD ↓	MAE ↓	CD ↓	MAE ↓	CD ↓	MAE ↓
Bunny	<b>0.72</b>	<b>0.78</b>	1.09	1.03	1.41	2.55	3.77	18.15
Dragon	<b>0.59</b>	<b>1.03</b>	0.82	1.23	2.15	3.47	5.48	10.98

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360 video demo

