



Depth Prompting for Sensor-Agnostic Depth Estimation

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Depth Estimation with Sparse Measurement



*video source: developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2020



Velodyne LiDAR Series

Public Dataset

Diverse Type of Depth Sensors





Velodyne HDL-64E LiDAR





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Silberman, et al., Are we ready for Autonomous Driving? Indoor Segmentation and Support Inference From RGBD Images. ECCV 2012 Geiger, et al., Are we ready for Autonomous Driving? The KITTI Vision Benchmark Suite. CVPR 2012

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*Inferred by the state-of-the-art CompletionFormer method (CVPR23).

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Exploring Diverse Sensor Bias Problems



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RGB Image





Exploring Diverse Sensor Bias Problems

• Sparsity Bias (64-Line \leftrightarrow 8-Line)



RGB



RGB



Sparse Depth [64-Line]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)



Sparse Depth [8-Line]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)

Exploring Diverse Sensor Bias Problems

• Pattern Bias (Random ↔ Line)







RGB



Sparse Depth [Random Sampling]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)



Sparse Depth [Line Sampling]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)

Exploring Diverse Sensor Bias Problems

• Range Bias (under 15m ↔ over 15m)



RGB



RGB



Sparse Depth [under 15m]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)



Sparse Depth [over 15m]



CompletionFormer (CVPR23)



The Era of Foundation Models





Monocular Depth (Foundation) Models





"Utilize the Depth (Foundation) Models to Mitigate Sensor Bias Problem."

- ✓ Monocular depth models provides a comprehensive understanding of 3D structures.
- ✓ Our aim is to transfer the knowledge of depth model into our sensor agnostic model.

Baseline Models:

- DepthFormer (Arxiv22, in-domain monocular depth estimation)
- MiDaS (TPAMI22, out-domain monocular depth estimation)
- KBR (ICCV23, out-domain monocular depth estimation)

Motivation

Prompting Engineering Method



[SAM] Segment Anything (ICCV23, Best Paper Honorable Mention)

Demo

- ✓ Inspired by pioneering visual prompt work (SAM), we use prompting method in depth estimation to achieve adaptive output according to unseen sensor configuration.
- Depth prompt with monocular depth models enables relative depth embedding freeing models from depth scan range limits and providing absolute scale depth maps.



Monocular Depth Model & Prompting Engineering Method

























KITTI



NYU



Line: 32



KITTI



NYU



Line: 16



KITTI



NYU



Line: 8



KITTI



NYU



Line: 4



KITTI



NYU



Line: 2



KITTI

Line: 1

NYU



Experiments

Qualitative Results

• Zero-shot Inference on nuScenes Dataset (Trained on KITTI dataset)



Ours (CVPR24)

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Qualitative Results

• Zero-shot Inference on iPad Dataset (Trained on NYU dataset)



Thanks for your attention!

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[Source code]