



# FreBIS: Frequency-Based Stratification for Neural Implicit Surface Representations

Naoko Sawada<sup>1, 2</sup>, Pedro Miraldo<sup>1</sup>, Suhas Lohit<sup>1</sup>, Tim K. Marks<sup>1</sup>, Moitreya Chatterjee<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories (MERL)

<sup>2</sup> Information Technology R&D Center, Mitsubishi Electric Corporation

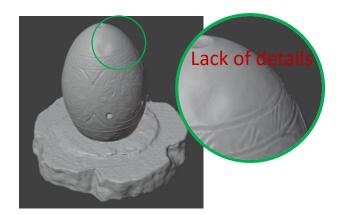


#### **Motivation & Problem Statement**

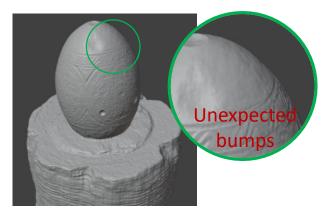
- Neural implicit surface representation enables continuous high-resolution and accurate 3D surface reconstruction.
- Existing methods use a single encoder to capture all surface frequencies.
- → There is a tradeoff between accurate shape recovery and reconstructing the fine details.



Reference image



Positional encoding level 6 [VolSDF, 2021]



Positional encoding level 9 [VolSDF, 2021]

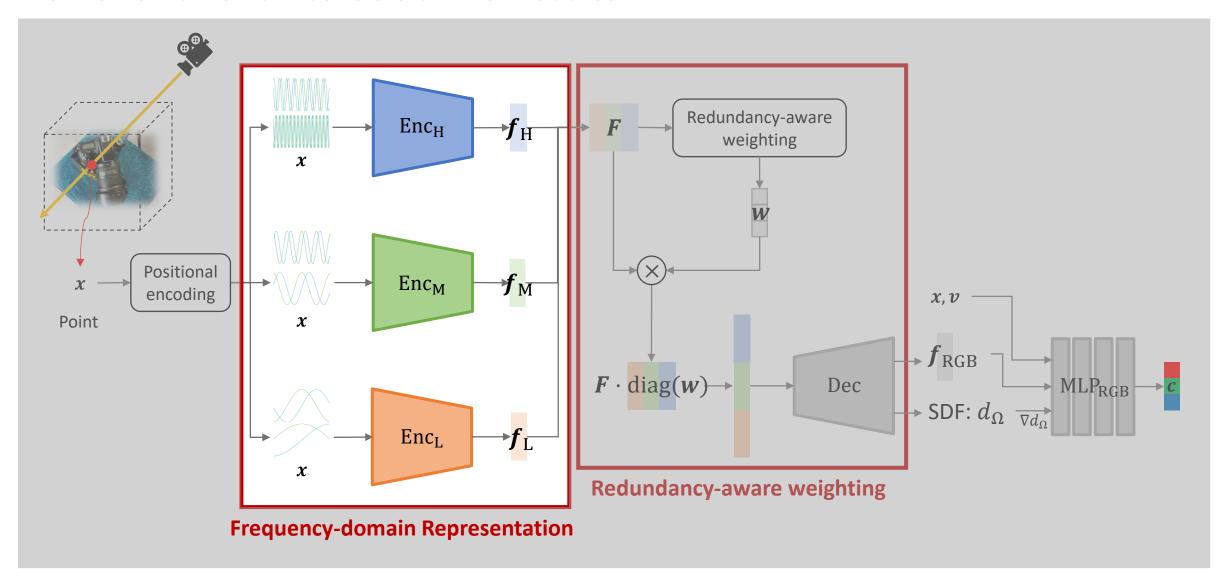
Goal:

Recover high-quality surfaces of a 3D scene that contains a wide variety of frequency levels.



## **Method: FreBIS**

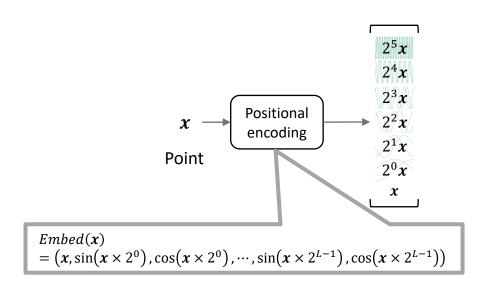
#### The FreBIS framework consists of two modules:





## **Frequency-Domain Representation**

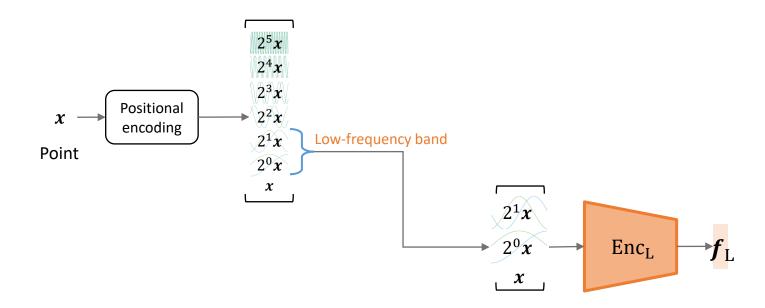
- Three encoders convert the input to features corresponding to different frequency bands (low, middle, high).
- FreBIS uses positional encoding to transform the input coordinate into frequency domains.
  - e.g., frequency level L=6





## **Frequency-Domain Representation**

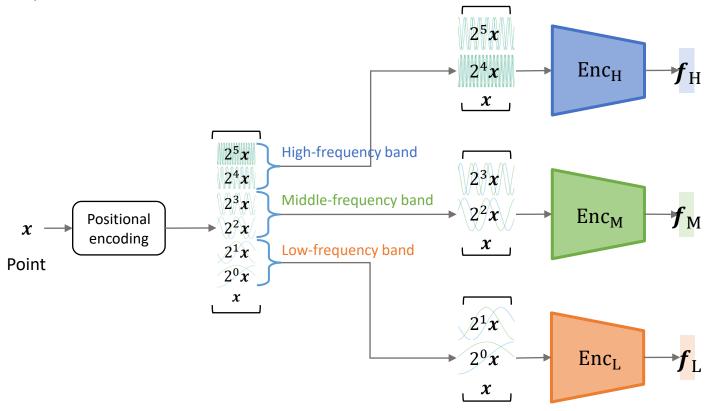
- Three encoders convert the input to features corresponding to different frequency bands (low, middle, high).
- FreBIS uses positional encoding to transform the input coordinate into frequency domains.
  - e.g., frequency level L=6





## **Frequency-Domain Representation**

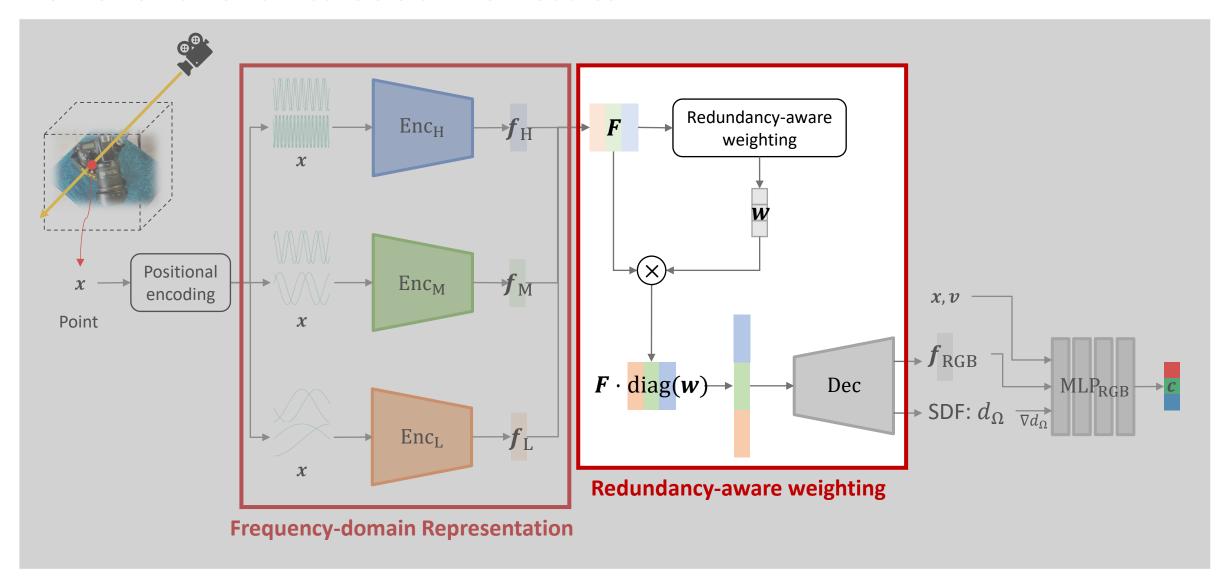
- Three encoders convert the input to features corresponding to different frequency bands (low, middle, high).
- FreBIS uses positional encoding to transform the input coordinate into frequency domains.
  - e.g., frequency level L=6





## **Method: FreBIS**

#### The FreBIS framework consists of two modules:





- The redundancy-aware weighting module **maximally utilizes the encoder capacity** and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging **dissimilarity between the learned representations**.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

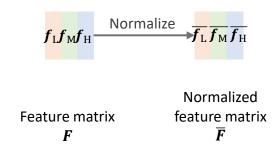


Feature matrix



- The redundancy-aware weighting module **maximally utilizes the encoder capacity** and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging **dissimilarity between the learned representations**.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

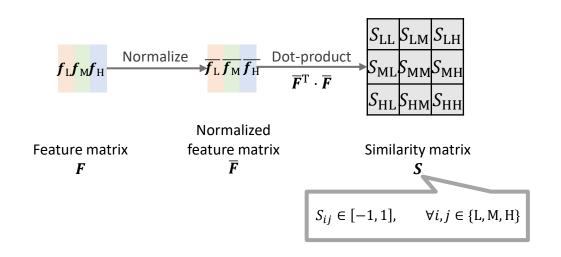
#### **Feature normalization**





- The redundancy-aware weighting module maximally utilizes the encoder capacity and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging dissimilarity between the learned representations.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

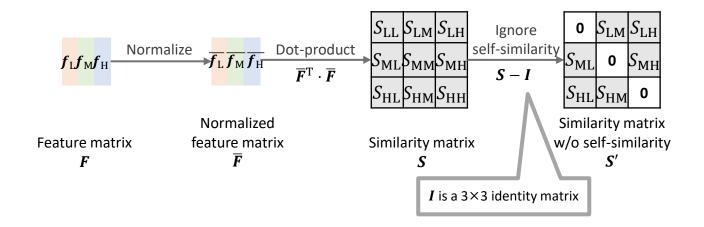
#### Similarity between features





- The redundancy-aware weighting module **maximally utilizes the encoder capacity** and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging **dissimilarity between the learned representations**.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

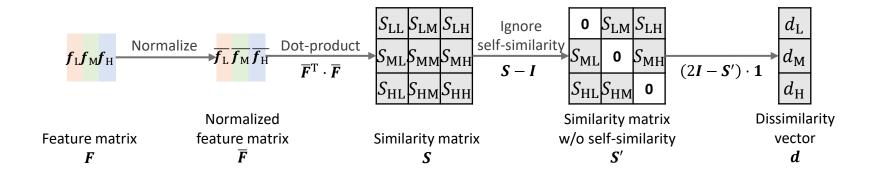
#### Off-diagonal similarity





- The redundancy-aware weighting module **maximally utilizes the encoder capacity** and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging **dissimilarity between the learned representations**.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

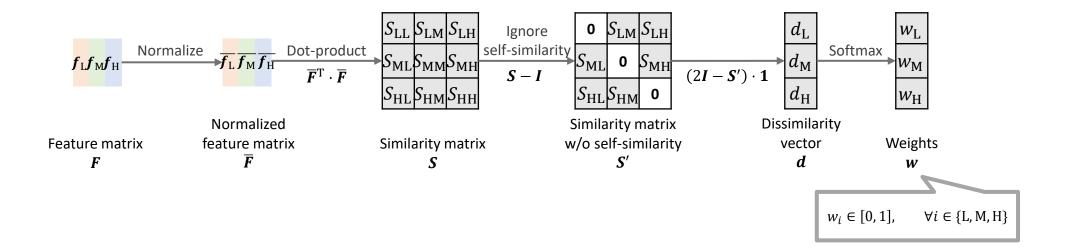
#### Dissimilarity between features





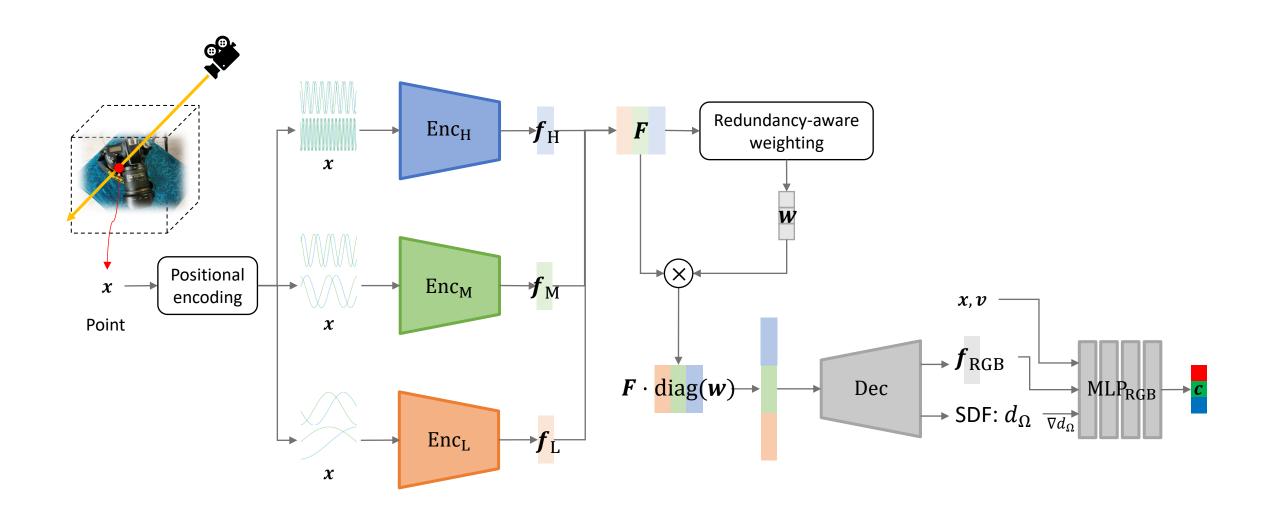
- The redundancy-aware weighting module **maximally utilizes the encoder capacity** and effectively combines the learned complementary information by encouraging **dissimilarity between the learned representations**.
  - i.e., the higher weights are on features that are dissimilar to other features,
    while the lower weights are on features that are similar to other features.

#### **Rescaled dissimilarity**





## **Overall FreBIS Framework**





## **Experimental Setup**

#### **Dataset**

BlendedMVS : Object-centric real-world scenes with complex backgrounds

■ Number of Scenes : 9 scenes

■ Number of views : 31~144 views

■ **Resolution** : 768 × 576

#### **Baselines**

VolSDF [Yariv et al., 2021] : 0.5M parameters

Scaled-up VolSDF : 1.4M parameters (roughly the same as Ours)

\*Scaled-up VolSDF: An adaptation of VolSDF, where the number of parameters is increased to be roughly the same as Ours



## **Quantitative Results: BlendedMVS**

|                | Method (no. of parameters) | Doll  | Egg   | Head  | Angel | Bull  | Robot | Dog   | Bread | Camera | Mean  |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| PSNR(†)        | VolSDF [52] (0.5M)         | 25.43 | 27.23 | 26.94 | 30.28 | 26.18 | 26.39 | 28.44 | 31.18 | 22.96  | 27.23 |
|                | Scaled-up VolSDF (1.4M)    | 26.07 | 27.15 | 26.62 | 30.37 | 26.08 | 25.07 | 28.32 | 29.44 | 23.02  | 26.90 |
|                | Ours (1.4M)                | 26.22 | 27.48 | 27.29 | 30.52 | 26.33 | 26.69 | 28.56 | 30.22 | 23.08  | 27.38 |
| SSIM(↑)        | VolSDF [52] (0.5M)         | 0.911 | 0.943 | 0.959 | 0.989 | 0.970 | 0.957 | 0.950 | 0.988 | 0.928  | 0.955 |
|                | Scaled-up VolSDF (1.4M)    | 0.925 | 0.943 | 0.956 | 0.990 | 0.970 | 0.946 | 0.949 | 0.980 | 0.929  | 0.954 |
|                | Ours (1.4M)                | 0.928 | 0.946 | 0.961 | 0.990 | 0.971 | 0.962 | 0.952 | 0.983 | 0.930  | 0.958 |
| LPIPS(\dagger) | VolSDF [52] (0.5M)         | 0.041 | 0.032 | 0.017 | 0.007 | 0.021 | 0.032 | 0.027 | 0.006 | 0.045  | 0.025 |
|                | Scaled-up VolSDF (1.4M)    | 0.035 | 0.032 | 0.018 | 0.006 | 0.021 | 0.043 | 0.028 | 0.011 | 0.045  | 0.027 |
|                | Ours (1.4M)                | 0.035 | 0.030 | 0.015 | 0.006 | 0.020 | 0.030 | 0.026 | 0.009 | 0.044  | 0.024 |

The proposed method improves the rendering quality in terms of PSNR, SSIM, and LPIPS.



# **Qualitative Results: BlendedMVS (Doll)**



Ground truth



Scaled-up VolSDF



VolSDF

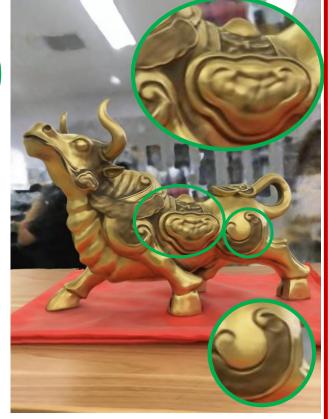




# **Qualitative Results: BlendedMVS (Bull)**









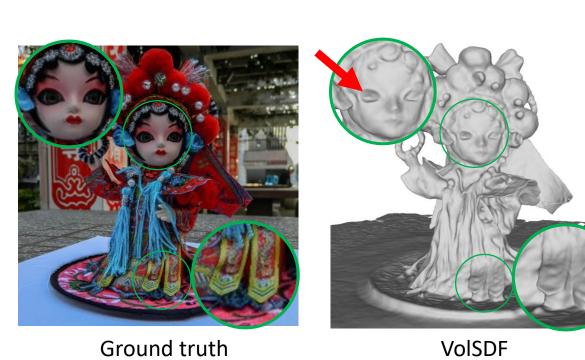
Ground truth

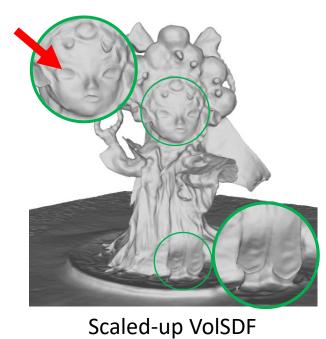
VolSDF

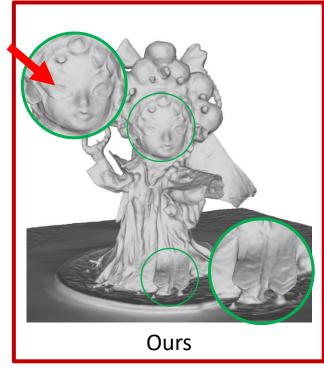
Scaled-up VolSDF



# **Qualitative Results: BlendedMVS (Doll)**





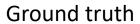


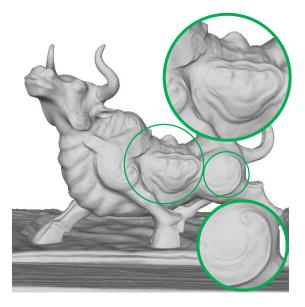
© MERL



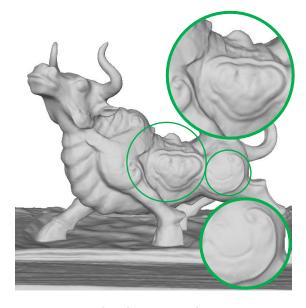
# **Qualitative Results: BlendedMVS (Bull)**



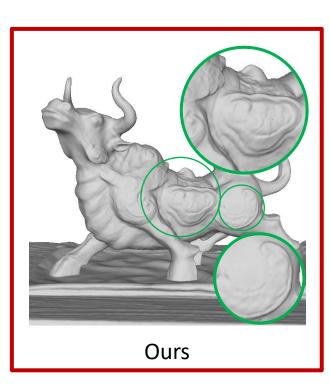




VolSDF



Scaled-up VolSDF





### **Conclusion**

- We propose FreBIS, which stratifies a scene into multiple frequency levels according to the surface frequencies and leverages a novel redundancy-aware weighting module, to effectively capture complementary information.
- FreBIS improved the qualities of the reconstructed meshes, as well as rendered images.
- For future work, we plan to evaluate FreBIS on other datasets and backbones.

# Thank you for your attention!







For more details, please check out our paper and poster.