

# PINs: Progressive Implicit Networks for Multi-Scale Neural Representations

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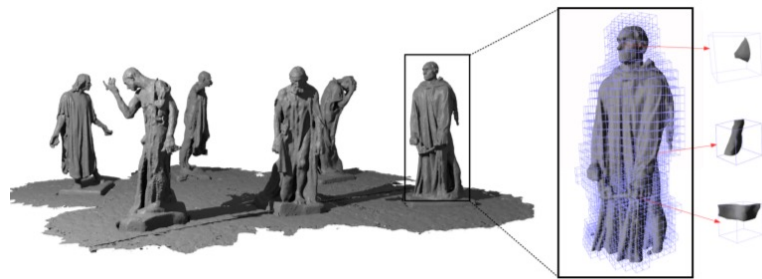
# Introduction

What are Neural Implicit Representations



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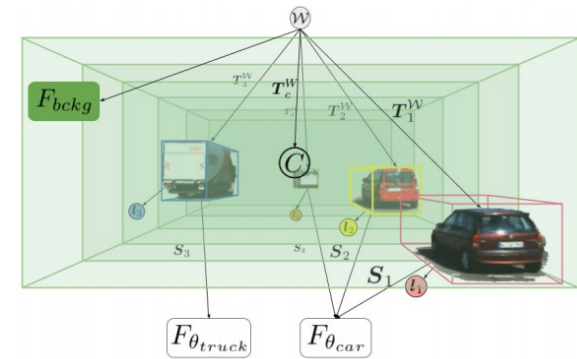
Popular as effective scene encoders



Deep Local Shapes<sup>1</sup>



NeRF<sup>2</sup>

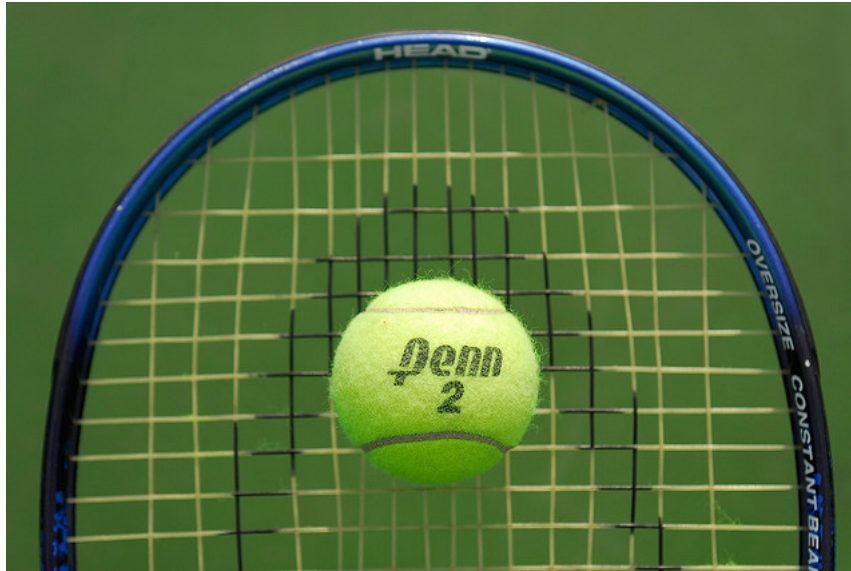


Neural Scene Graphs<sup>3</sup>

- 1) Deep Local Shapes: Learning Local SDF Priors for Detailed 3D Reconstruction, R. Chabra et. al., *ECCV 2020*
- 2) NeRF: Representing Scenes as Neural Radiance Fields for View Synthesis, B. Mildenhall, *ECCV 2020*
- 3) Neural Scene Graphs for Dynamic Scenes, J. Ost et. al. *CVPR 2021*

# Problem statement

Can't reconstruct scenes with a wide frequency spectrum well:



Original



Reconstruction  
(Implementation of Fourier Feature Networks<sup>1</sup>)

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# Problem statement

Noise is introduced into smooth regions



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Why? High frequency components in the positional encoding

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Lower frequencies in positional encoding yields blurry reconstructions



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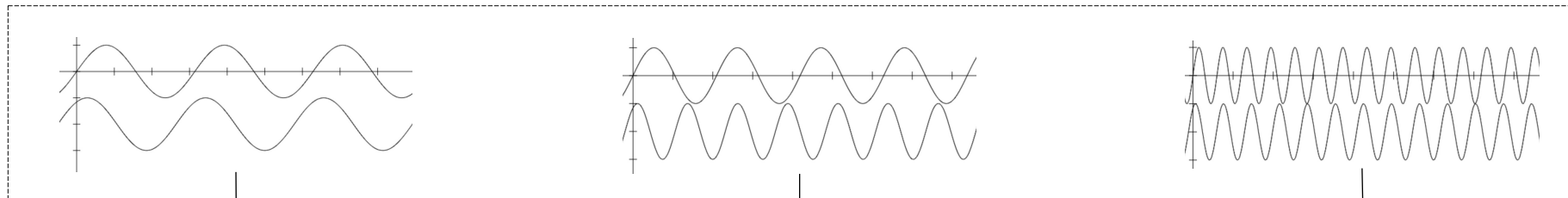
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How do we remove noise in smooth regions while keeping the high frequency detail of the reconstruction?

# PINs

Positional encoding



MLP

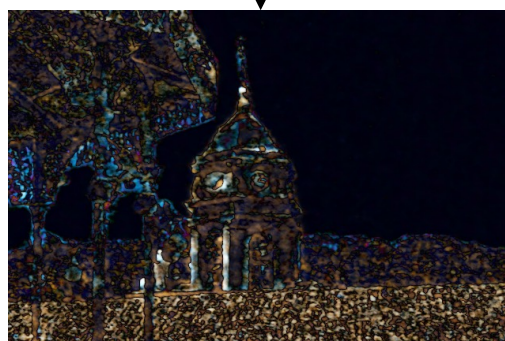
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Residual 1

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Residual 2

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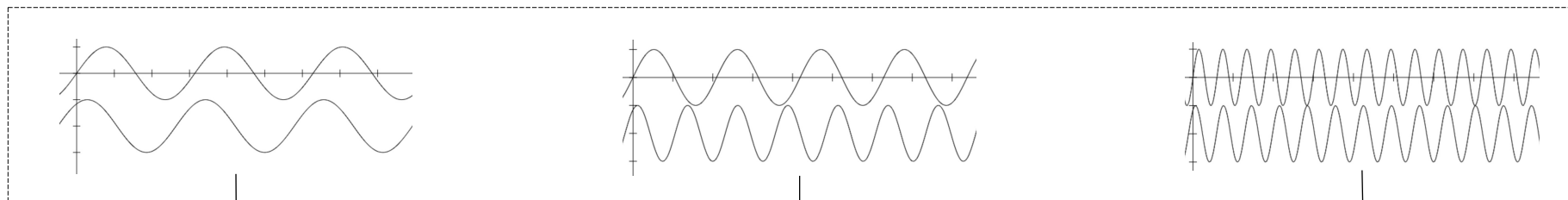
Residual 3

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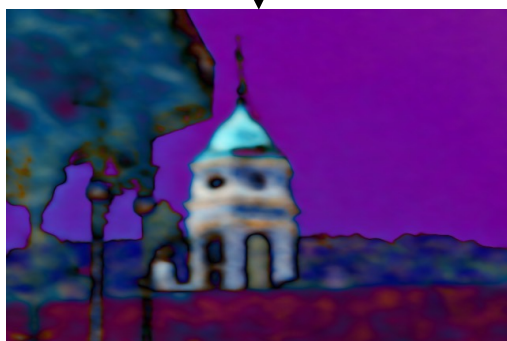


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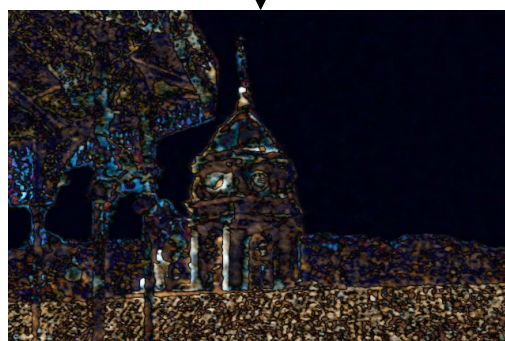
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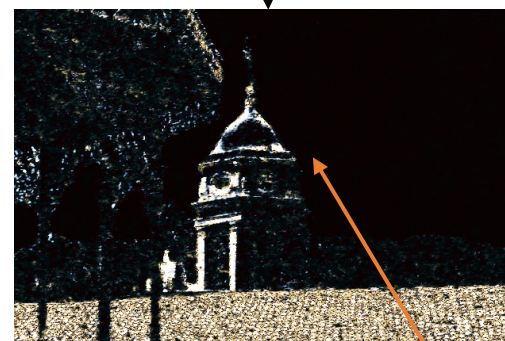
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Residual 2

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MLP



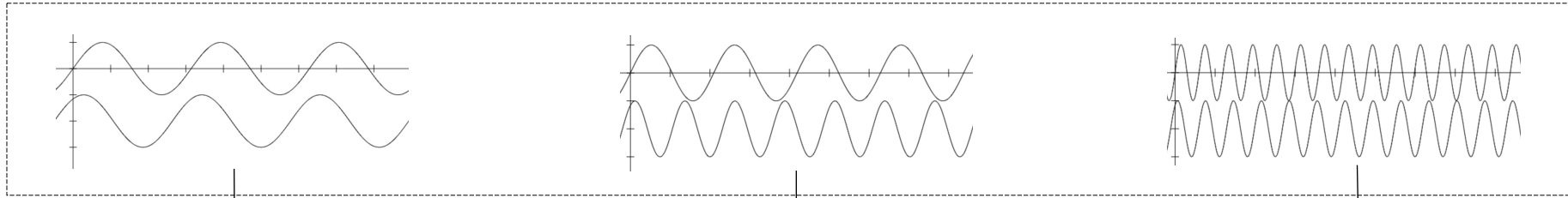
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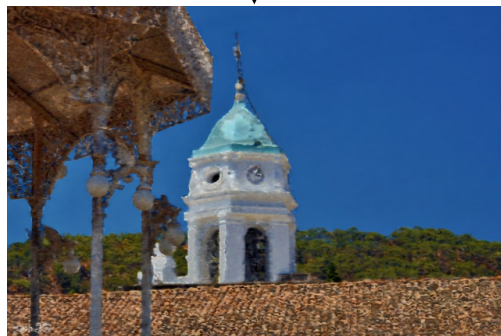
Later layers learn high frequency detail locally

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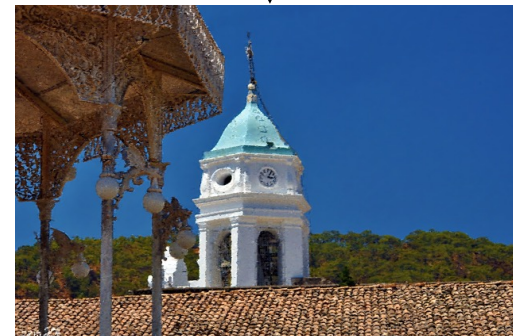
Positional encoding



Reconstruction  
Level 1



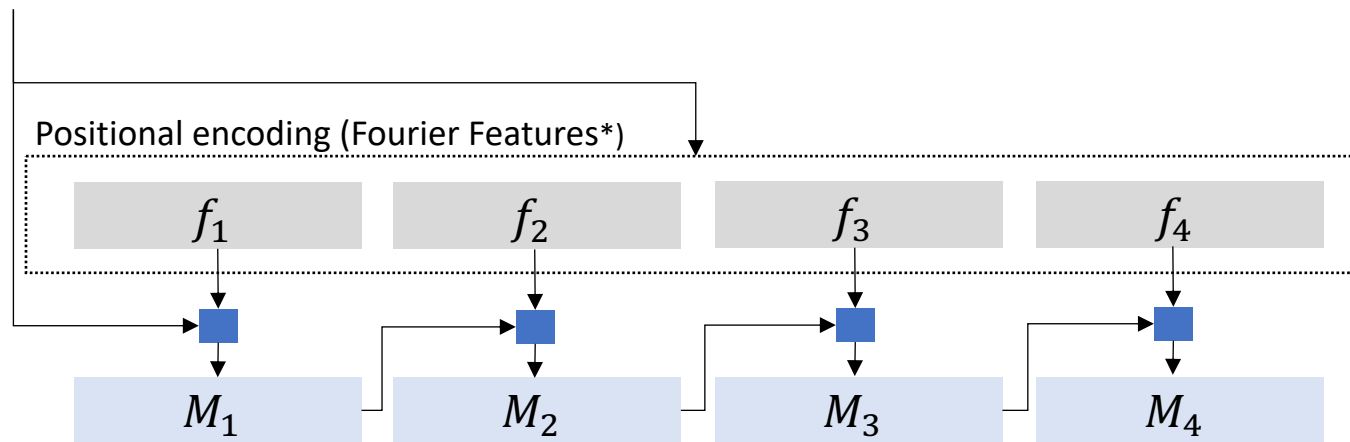
Reconstruction  
Level 2



Reconstruction  
Level 3

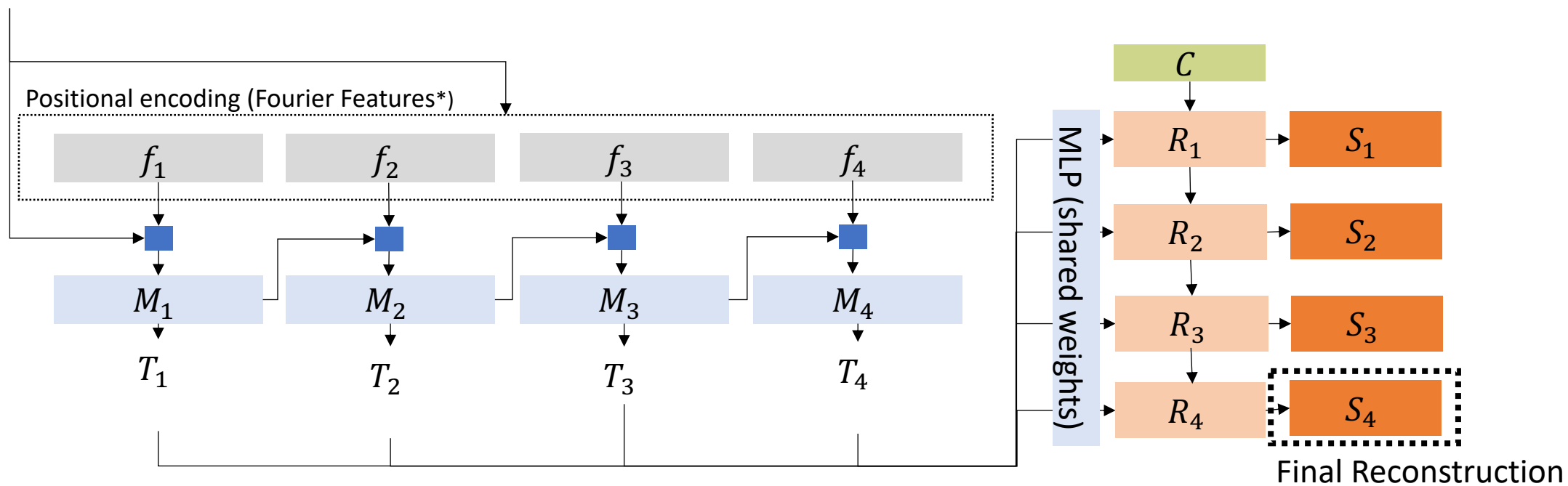
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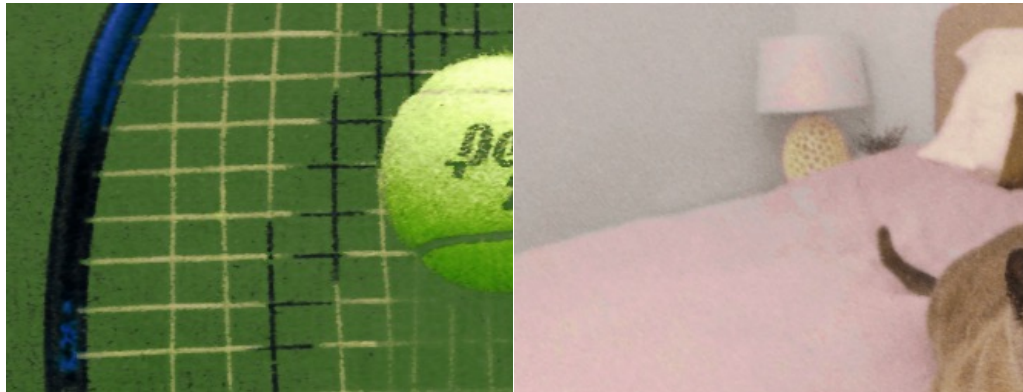


# PINs - modularity

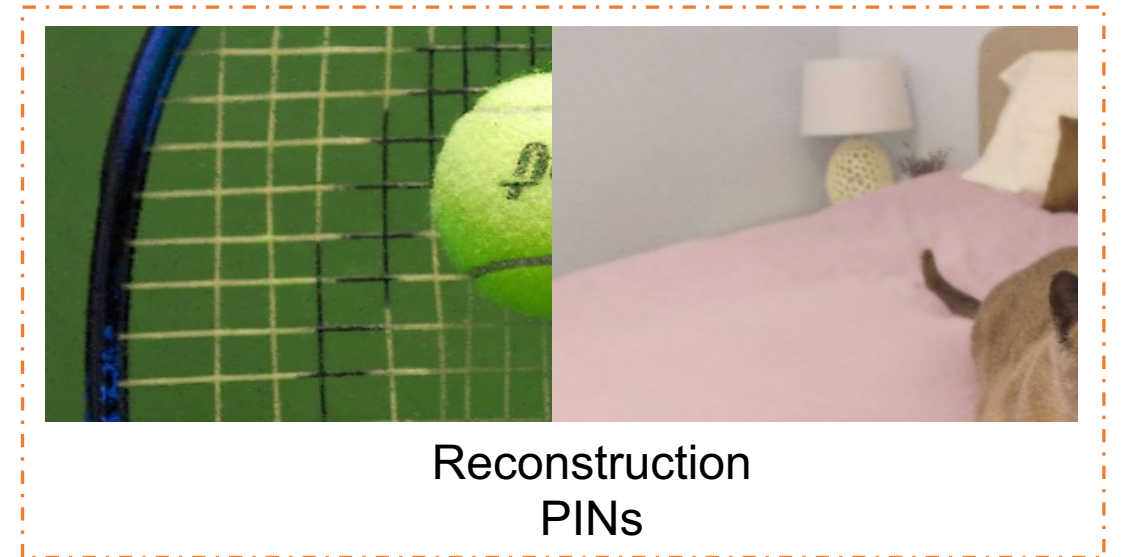
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## Results – improved reconstruction quality



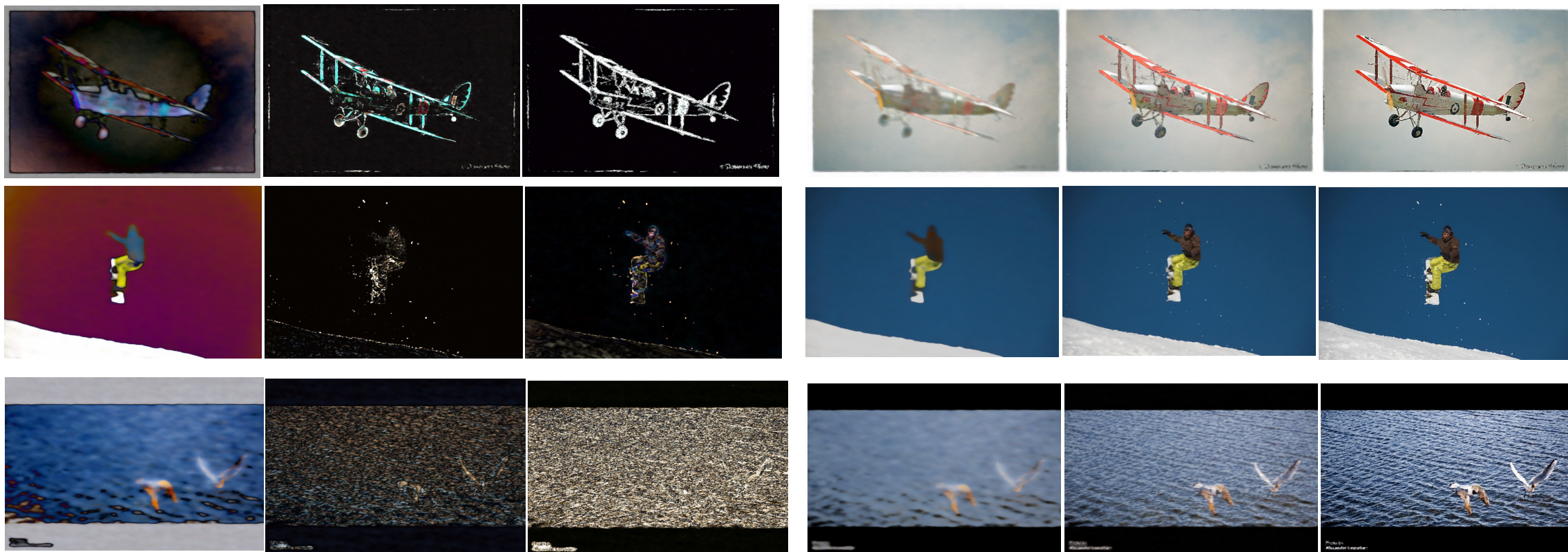
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# Results – 2D regression examples



Residual 1

Residual 2

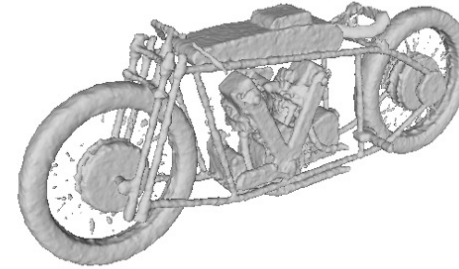
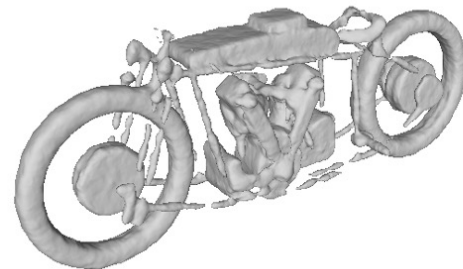
Residual 3

Reconstruction Level 1

Reconstruction Level 2

Reconstruction Level 3

## Results – 3D regression examples



Reconstruction Level 1

Reconstruction Level 2

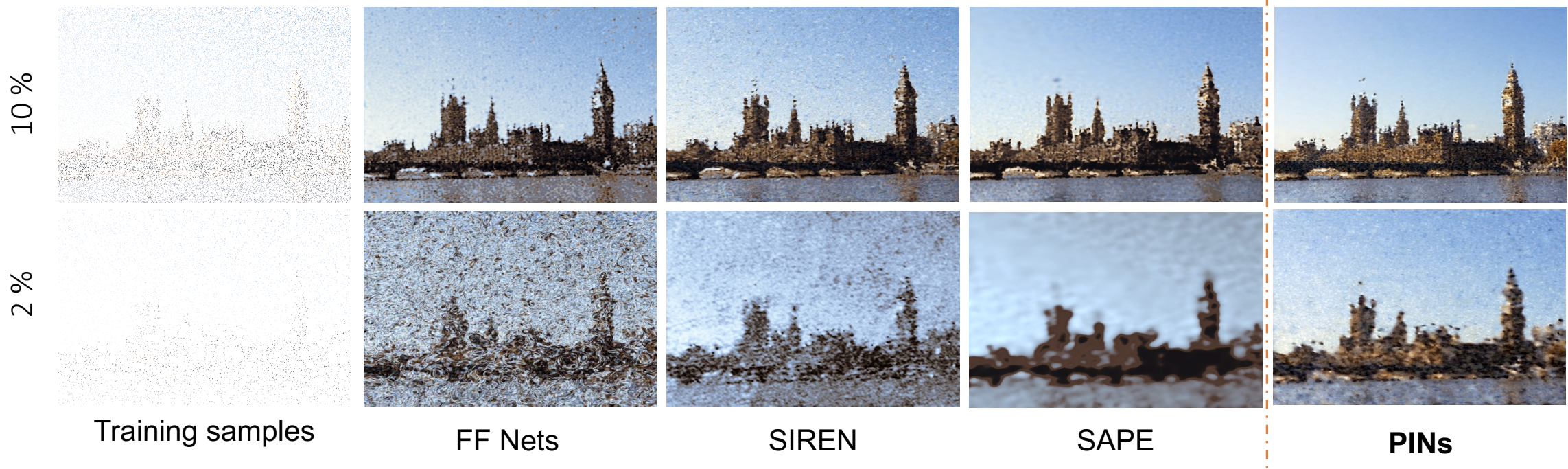
Reconstruction Level 3



# Results – robustness



Original



\* Please see main paper for baseline references

# Results

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Model	lamp (ChD ↓)	car (ChD ↓)	chair (ChD ↓)	sofa (ChD ↓)	motorbike (ChD ↓)	bed (ChD ↓)	camera (ChD ↓)
FF Nets	$2.5 \pm 3.4e-3$	$2.1 \pm 4.8e-4$	$0.92 \pm 1.5e-4$	$1.5 \pm 5.6e-4$	<b><math>1.0 \pm 1.5e-5</math></b>	$2.83 \pm 5.2e-3$	$3.46 \pm 1.26e-2$
SIREN	$25.4 \pm 4.2e-3$	$2.2 \pm 5.2e-4$	$28.4 \pm 6.7e-3$	$1.6 \pm 5.5e-4$	$1.7 \pm 6.4e-4$	$3.22 \pm 6.9e-3$	$2.31 \pm 2.68e-3$
SAPE	$6.7 \pm 9.2e-2$	$2.2 \pm 6.6e-4$	$1.50 \pm 1.1e-3$	$6.6 \pm 0.42$	$2.8 \pm 3.9e-4$	$4.58 \pm 2.4e-2$	$4.38 \pm 2.7e-2$
Ours	<b><math>1.5 \pm 1.0e-4</math></b>	<b><math>2.0 \pm 5.1e-4</math></b>	<b><math>0.87 \pm 1.7e-4</math></b>	<b><math>1.48 \pm 5.4e-4</math></b>	$1.1 \pm 6.7e-5$	<b><math>2.79 \pm 4.7e-3</math></b>	<b><math>2.05 \pm 2.7e-3</math></b>

Table 2. Evaluation on 3D models from 3D Warehouse (3DW) in terms of the bi-directional Chamfer Distance ( $mm$ )

# Conclusions

- Novel, multi-scale representation with
  - 1) Progressive positional encoding
  - 2) Hierarchical MLP structure
- Improved reconstruction quality and robustness (2D & 3D scenes)
- End-to-end trainable model no explicit per-level supervision

Thank you for your attention

Poster session #2 at 6:30 pm today