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# List of Algorithms



# List of Abbreviations

<b>ASAP</b>	As Soon As Possible
<b>AKA</b>	Also Known As
<b>BPFA</b>	Beta Process Factor Analysis
<b>CNN</b>	Convolutional Neural Network
<b>GAN</b>	Generative Adversarial Network
<b>MSE</b>	Mean Square Error
<b>PSNR</b>	Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio
<b>SSIM</b>	Structural SIMilarity



# List of Symbols

## Global notations

$I^{\text{SR}}$	super-resolved light field image	—
$I^{\text{LR}}$	low-resolution light field image	—
$I^{\text{HR}}$	high-resolution light field image	—
$E^{\text{SR}}$	super-resolved epipolar plane image	—
$E^{\text{HR}}$	high-resolution epipolar plane image	—

## Chapter 1

$\theta, \phi$	incoming direction expressed in term of spherical coordinates	rad
$\tau$	time	s (second)
$x, y$	spatial coordinates with two-plane parameterization	1 (uint)
$s, t$	angular coordinates with two-plane parameterization	1 (uint)
$P$	radiance distribution	W/srm <sup>2</sup> Hz
$\Omega$	image plane	—
$\Theta$	parameters of the multi-layer framework	—
$\gamma_s, \gamma_a$	scaling factors of spatial / angular coordinates	1 (uint)
$\mathcal{L}$	loss function	—

## Chapter 2

$F_0$	shallow features extracted by a single HConv layer	—
$F_{G_d}$	feature maps extracted by the $d^{\text{th}}$ HRB of the GRLNet	—
$H_{\text{HRB}}^n$	the operation of the $n^{\text{th}}$ HRB of the SReNet	—
$H_{\text{AGBN}}$	the operation of the proposed aperture group batch normalization algorithm	—
$H_{\text{up}}$	upsampling operation on the low-resolution features	—
$\ell_A$	angular loss	—
$\ell_S$	spatial perceptual loss	—
$\ell_{SA}$	the weighted combination of $\ell_A$ and $\ell_S$	—

$f$	the summation of all the feature maps after every activation function of VGG network	—
$g$	learned mapping between the low-resolution and high-resolution light field images	—

## Chapter 3

$x, y$	spatial coordinates with two-plane parameterization	1 (uint)
$s, t$	angular coordinates with two-plane parameterization	1 (uint)
$\gamma_s, \gamma_a$	scaling factors of spatial / angular coordinates	1 (uint)
$\ell_G$	generator adversarial loss	—
$\phi$	denotes the mapping of VGG network	—
$\delta$	nearest neighbor downsampling operator	—
$\kappa$	a Gaussian blurring kernel with a window size of $7 \times 7$ and standard deviation of 1.2 pixels	—
$\eta$	additive noise with zero mean and unit standard deviation	—

## Chapter 1

# Introduction

### 1.1 General Information

This template is for MPhil/Doctor students of University of Hong Kong to prepare their theses. The entire project strictly follows the requirements of booklet provided by Graduate School of the University of Hong Kong. The current version of this template is prepared according to the 13<sup>th</sup> edition of the booklet entitled “**Preparing and Submitting Your Thesis — A Guide for MPhil and PhD Students.**” This edition is updated in **July 2019**. Considering the university may change the stipulations over time, this template also provides the guidelines to adjust the typeset. The current version of the template has been tested by the author(s) and has been successfully accepted by the Engineering Faculty. However, users should also notice that this is not an official template, and we are not responsible for any problems of your thesis preparation and submission caused by using this template. For anyone who would like to use this template, you have to be responsible for your thesis and you are supposed to carefully read and follow the rules in the latest edition of the university booklet to prepare your thesis. In the rest of the template, we will demonstrate how to use, change, or adjust this template.

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**Figure 1.1:** Requirements of the thesis format in the Graduate School 13<sup>th</sup> edition booklet at Page 9.

can change the page margin by adjusting the corresponding settings. There is no stipulation for the top and bottom margins, but the booklet recommend that both of them should be 25mm, which is adopted in this template.

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List of Tables		✓
List of Algorithm		✓
List of Abbreviations		✓
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Notes		
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**Figure 2.1:** An example dedication page.

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## 2.5 Acknowledgements

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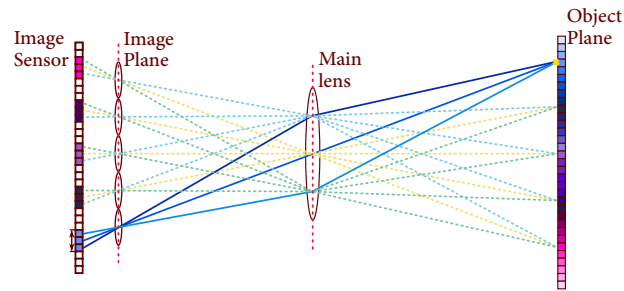
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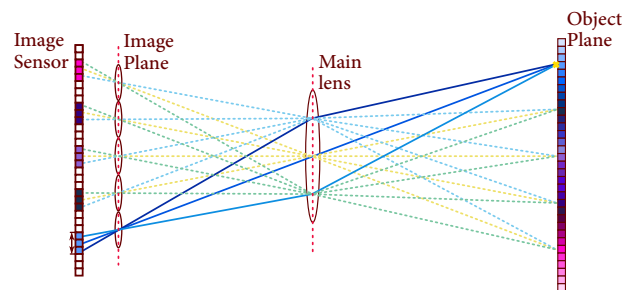
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**Figure 2.3:** Light transformation model in a plenoptic camera. Within a plenoptic camera, a micro-lens array has been placed at the image plane, which further splits the incoming light rays from different directions and records them separately. Therefore, the multi-view information can be extracted from each light field image captured by a single shot.



**Figure 2.4:** Light transformation model in a plenoptic camera. Within a plenoptic camera, a micro-lens array has been placed at the image plane, which further splits the incoming light rays from different directions and records them separately. Therefore, the multi-view information can be extracted from each light field image captured by a single shot.

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## Appendix A

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