

# EPFL Computer Vision Lab Lausanne Switzerland

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## The research team:

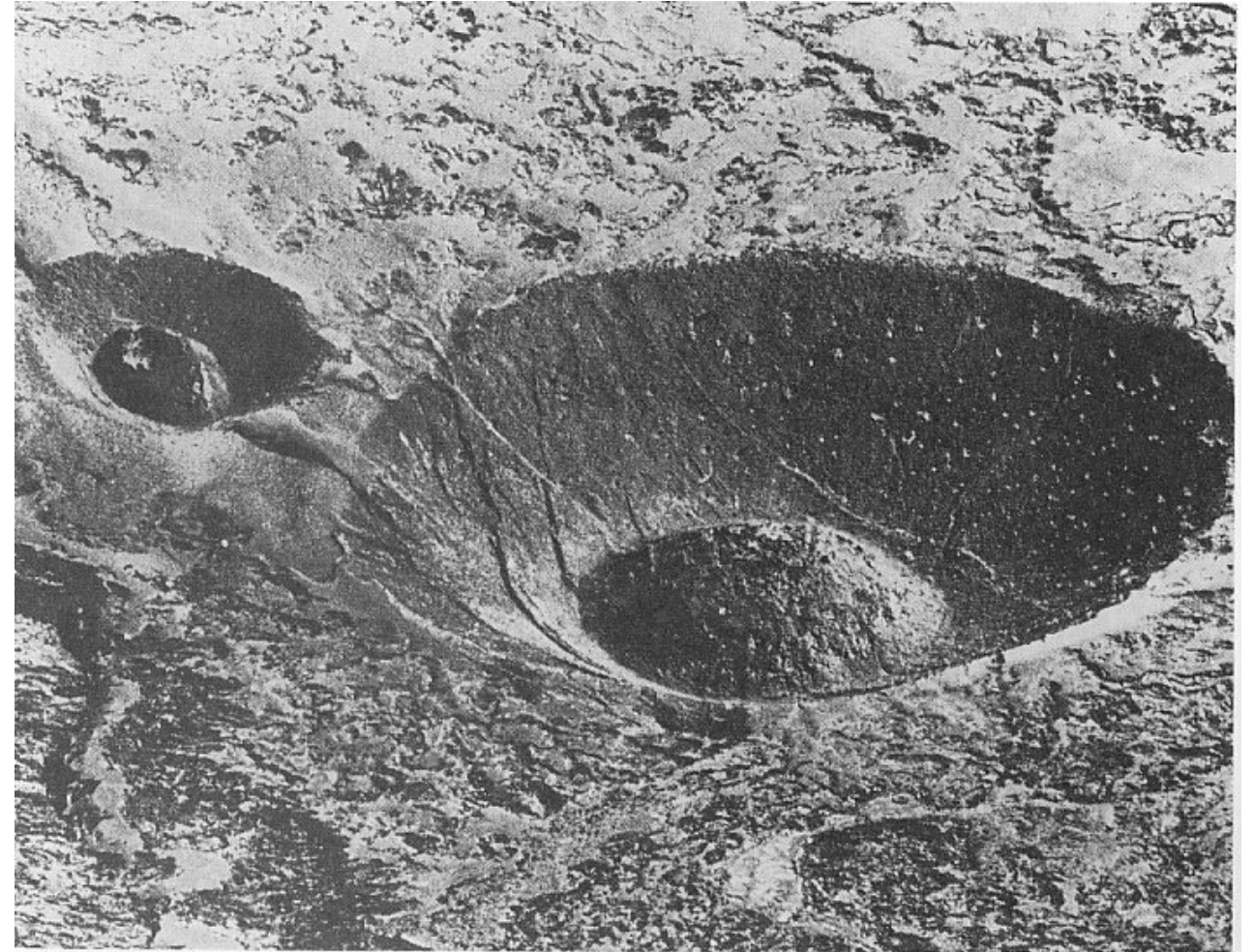
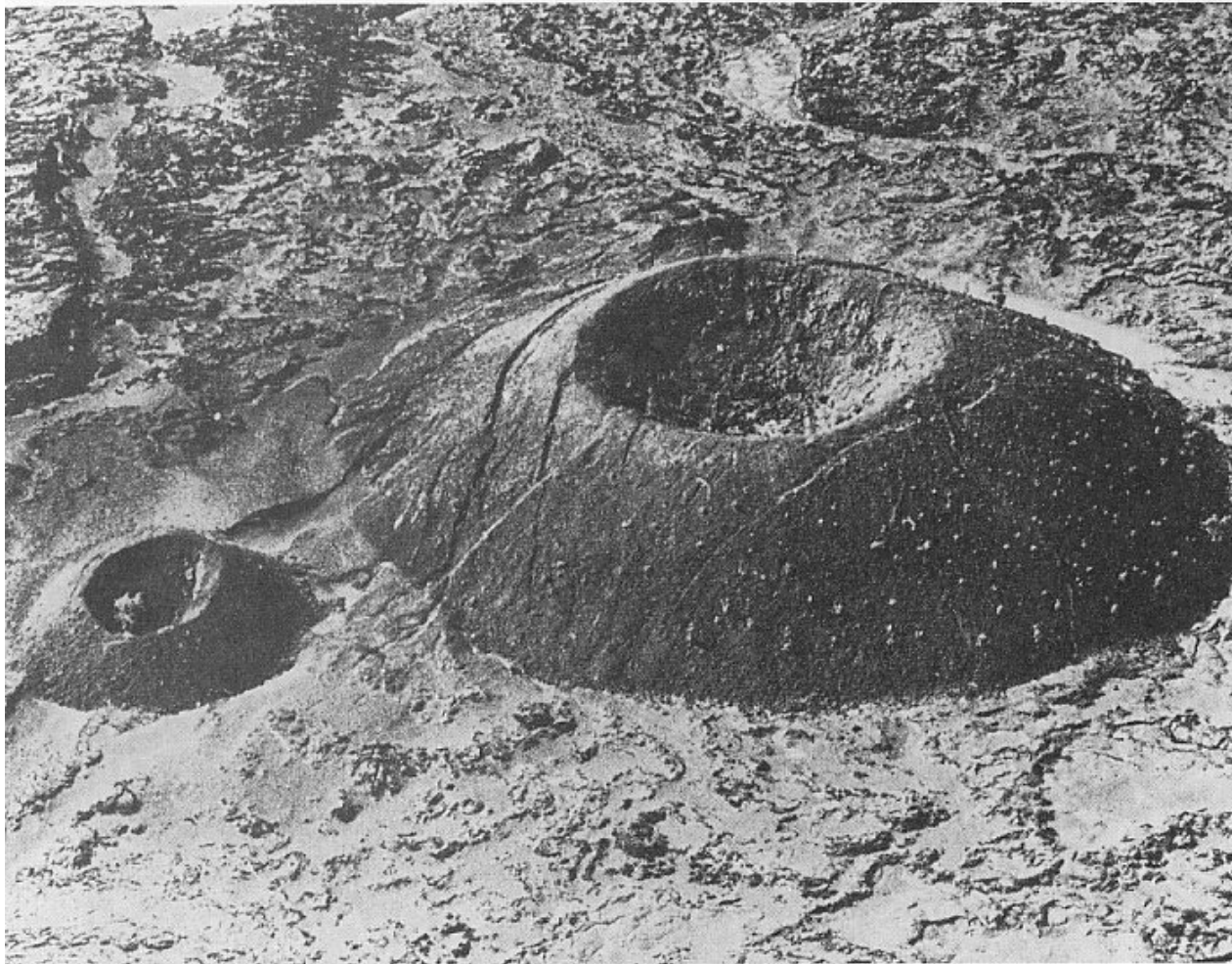
- 1 Professor
- 1 Senior scientist
- 6 Post docs
- 16 PhD candidates

## Research Topics:

- Shape and motion from video
- People tracking
- Neural Structures from Microscopy



# What do You See?



Scene understanding requires:

- Scene models
  - Fitting these models to noisy data
- > Machine Learning, Signal Processing, Numerical Optimization, Geometric modeling ....



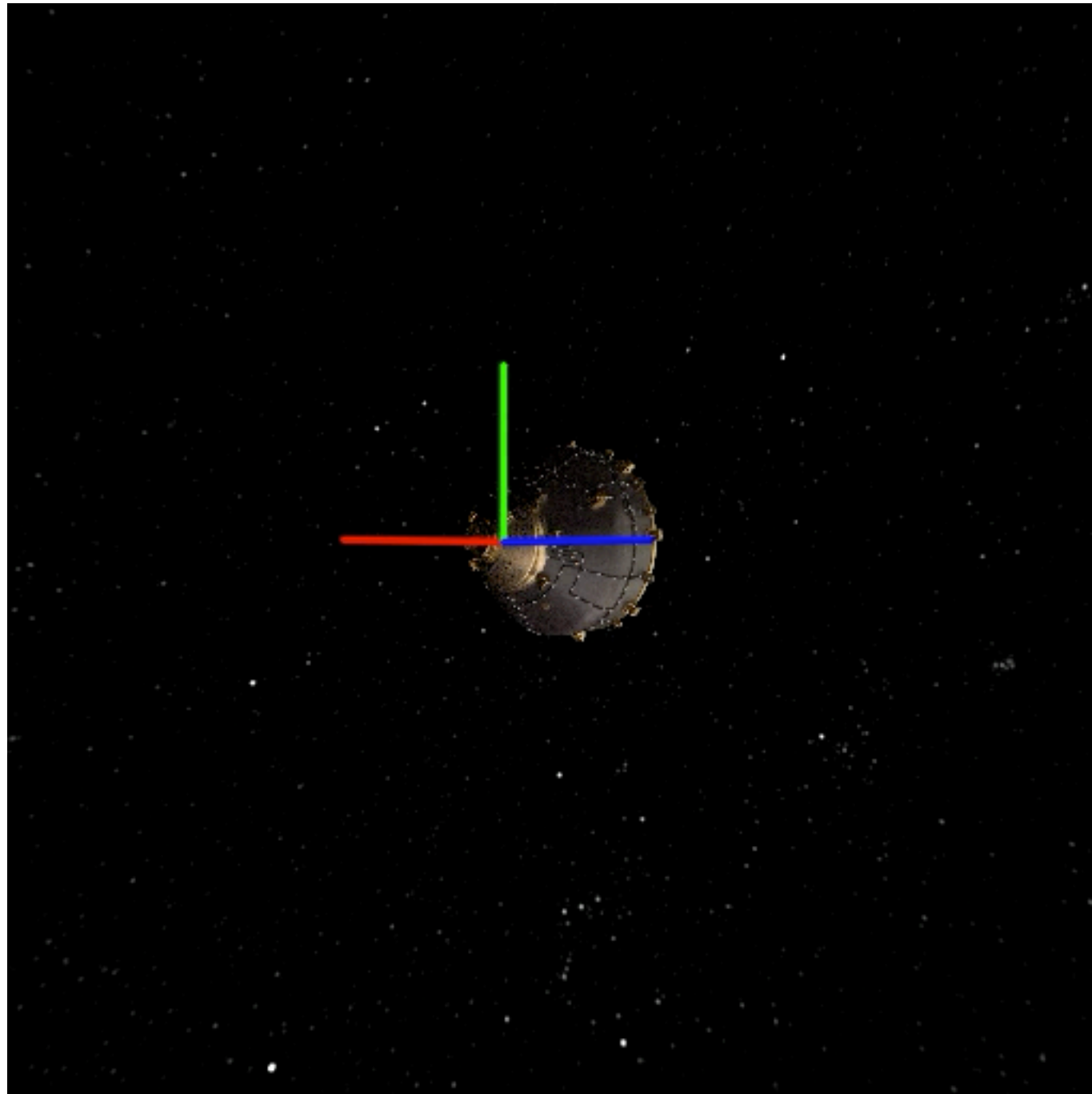
# Aerial Reconstruction



<http://www.pix4d.com/>



# 6D Pose Estimation in Space



[clearspace.today](https://clearspace.today)

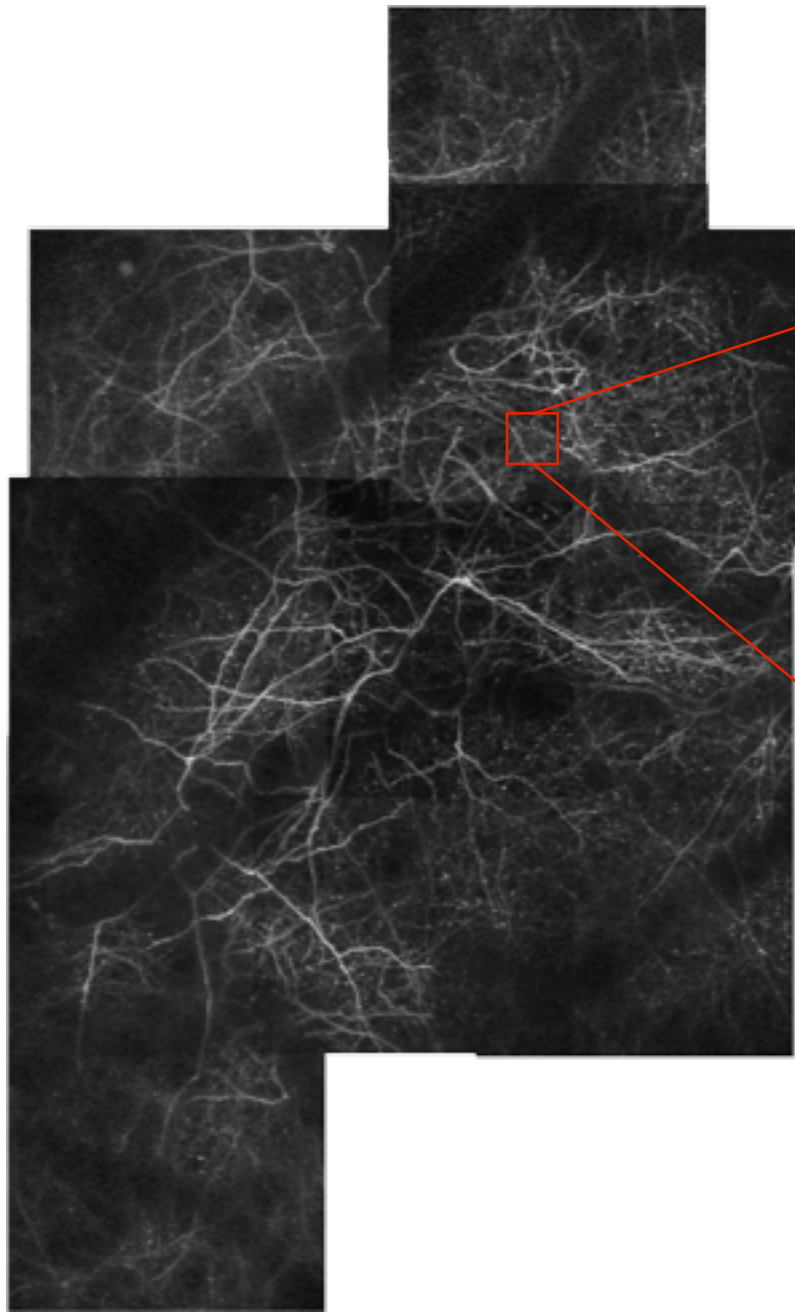


# Deformable Reconstruction and AR

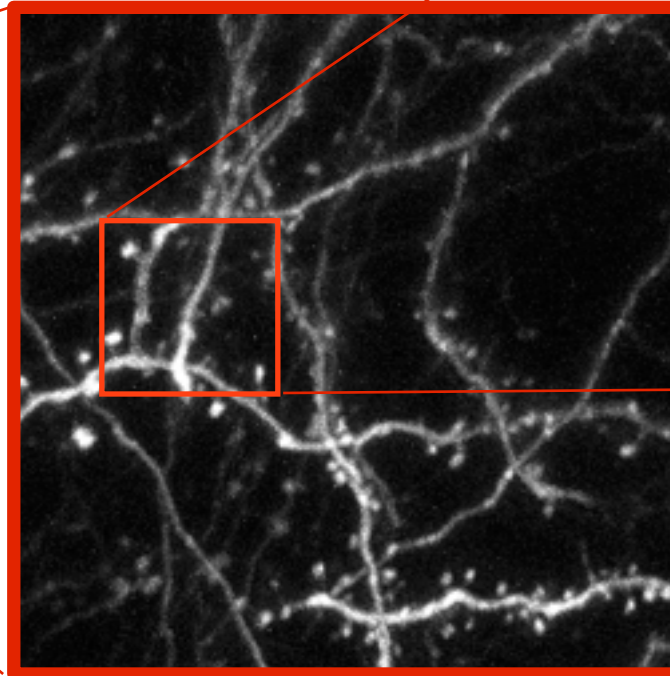




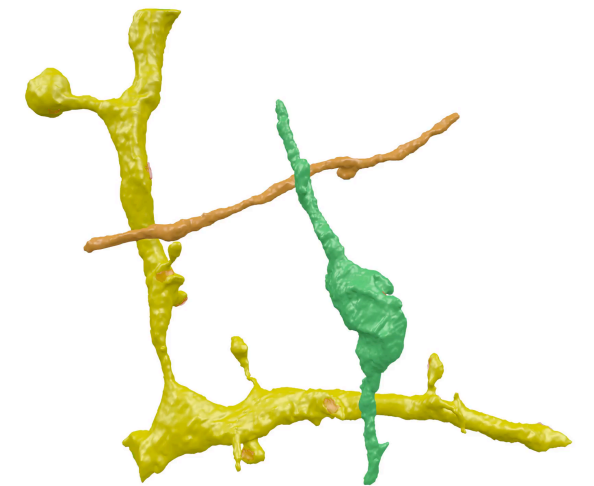
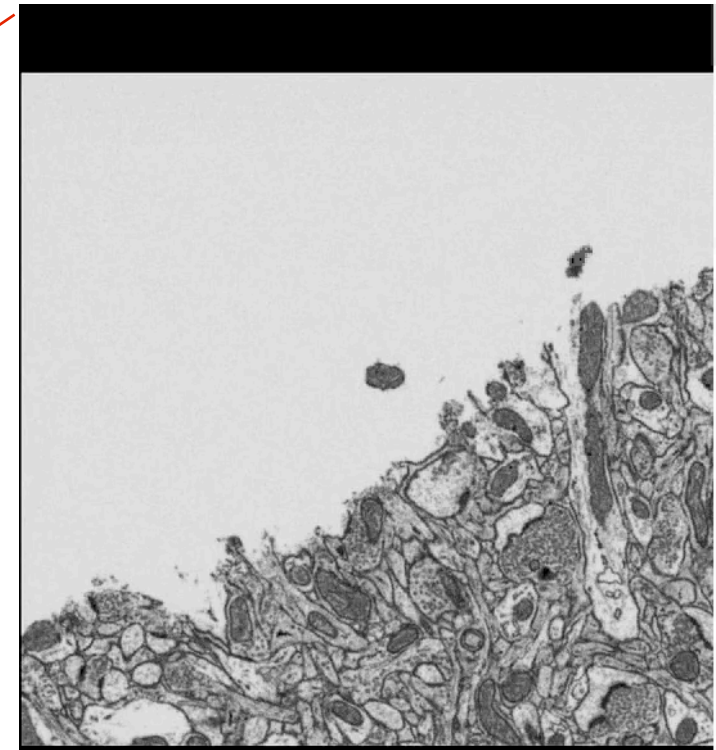
# Mapping the Brain



Fluorescent neurons in vivo in the adult mouse brain.



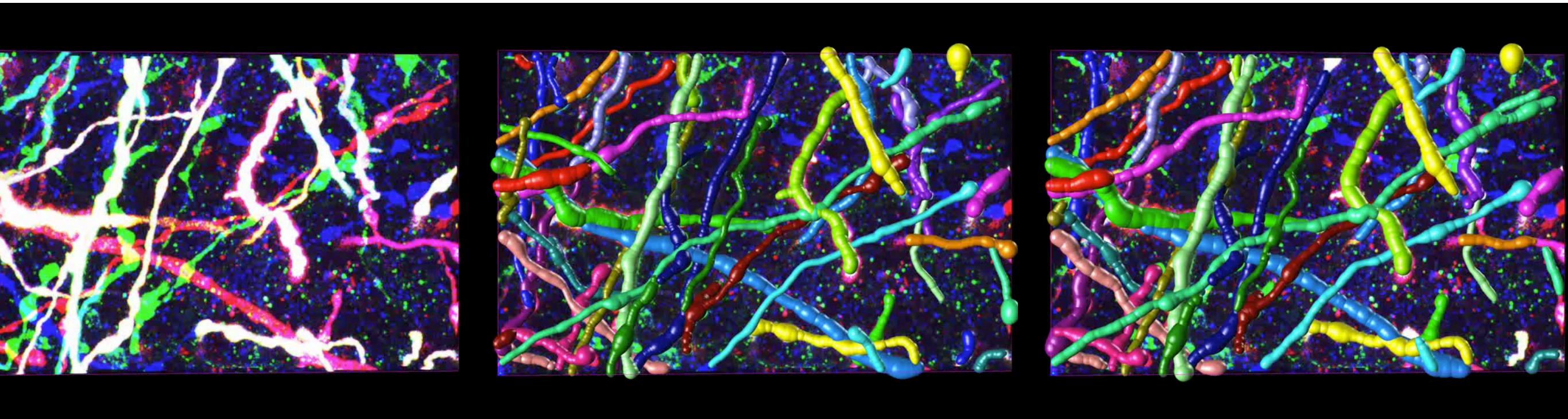
Imaged through a cranial window using a 2-photon microscope.



FIB stack and reconstructed neurites.



# Neural Structures in Light Microscopy



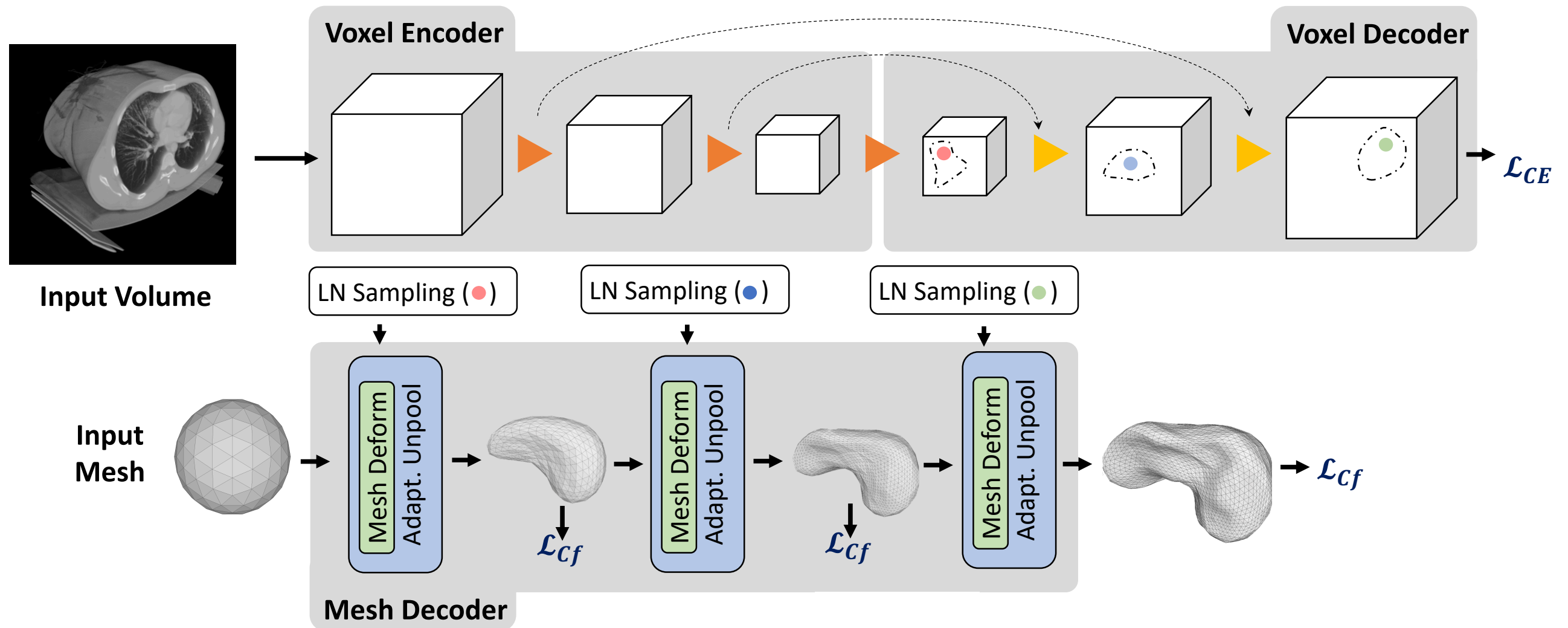
Brainbow Stack

Ground Truth

QMIP reconstruction

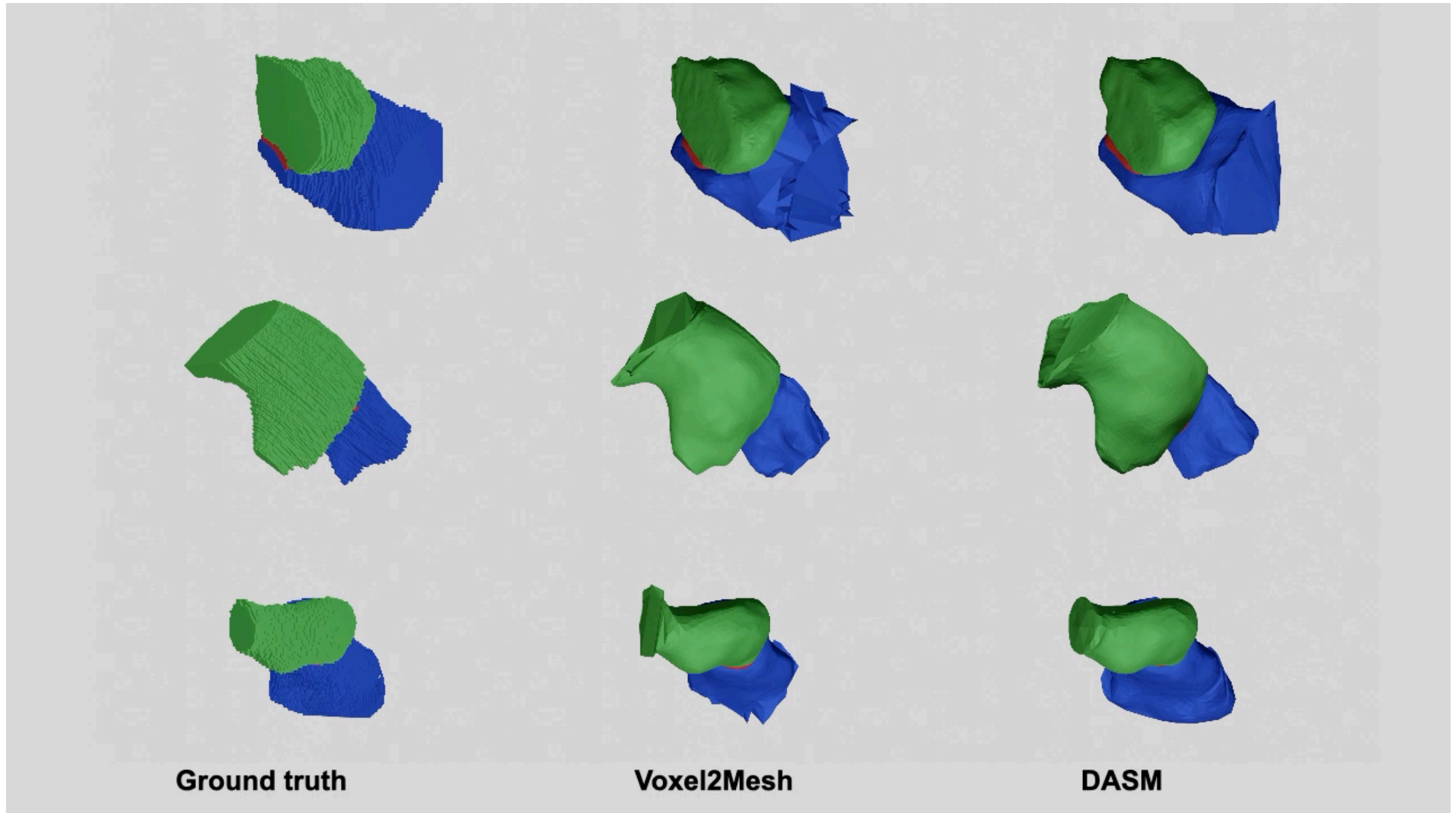


# Voxel to Mesh



- Input: Image stack and spherical mesh
- Output: Deformed mesh

# Deep Active Shape Models

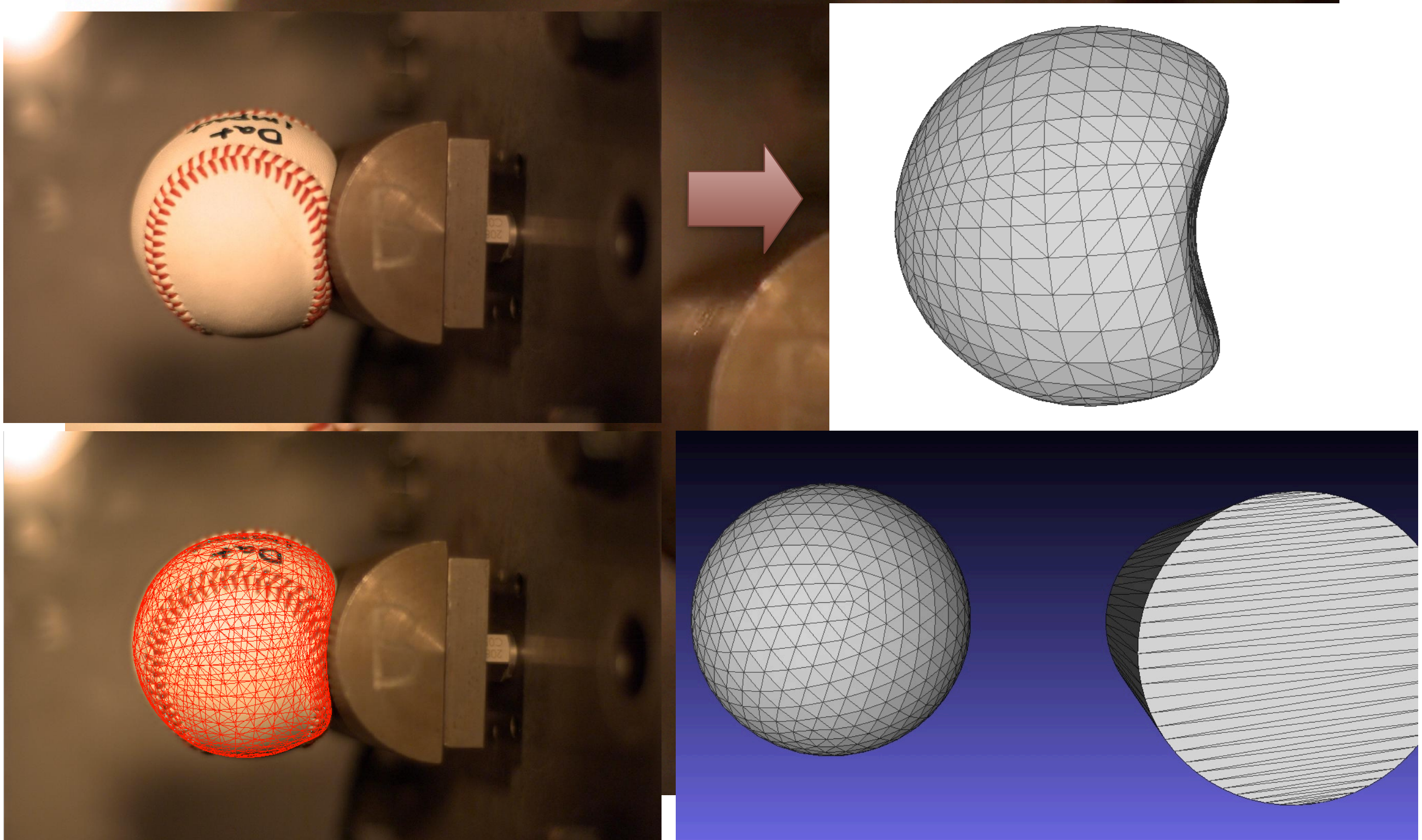


Active Shape Models layers embedded in the network

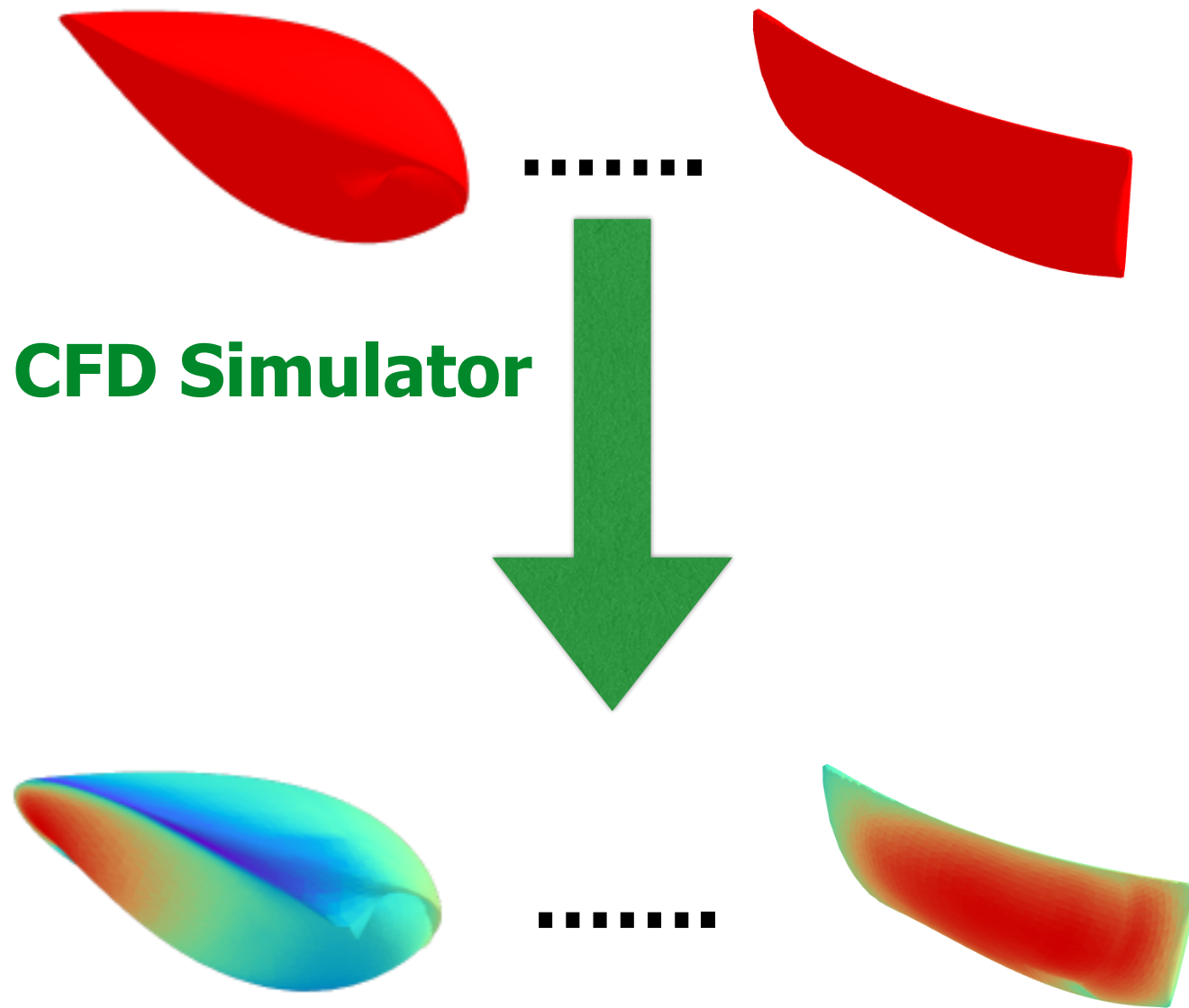
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# 3D Deformable Surface

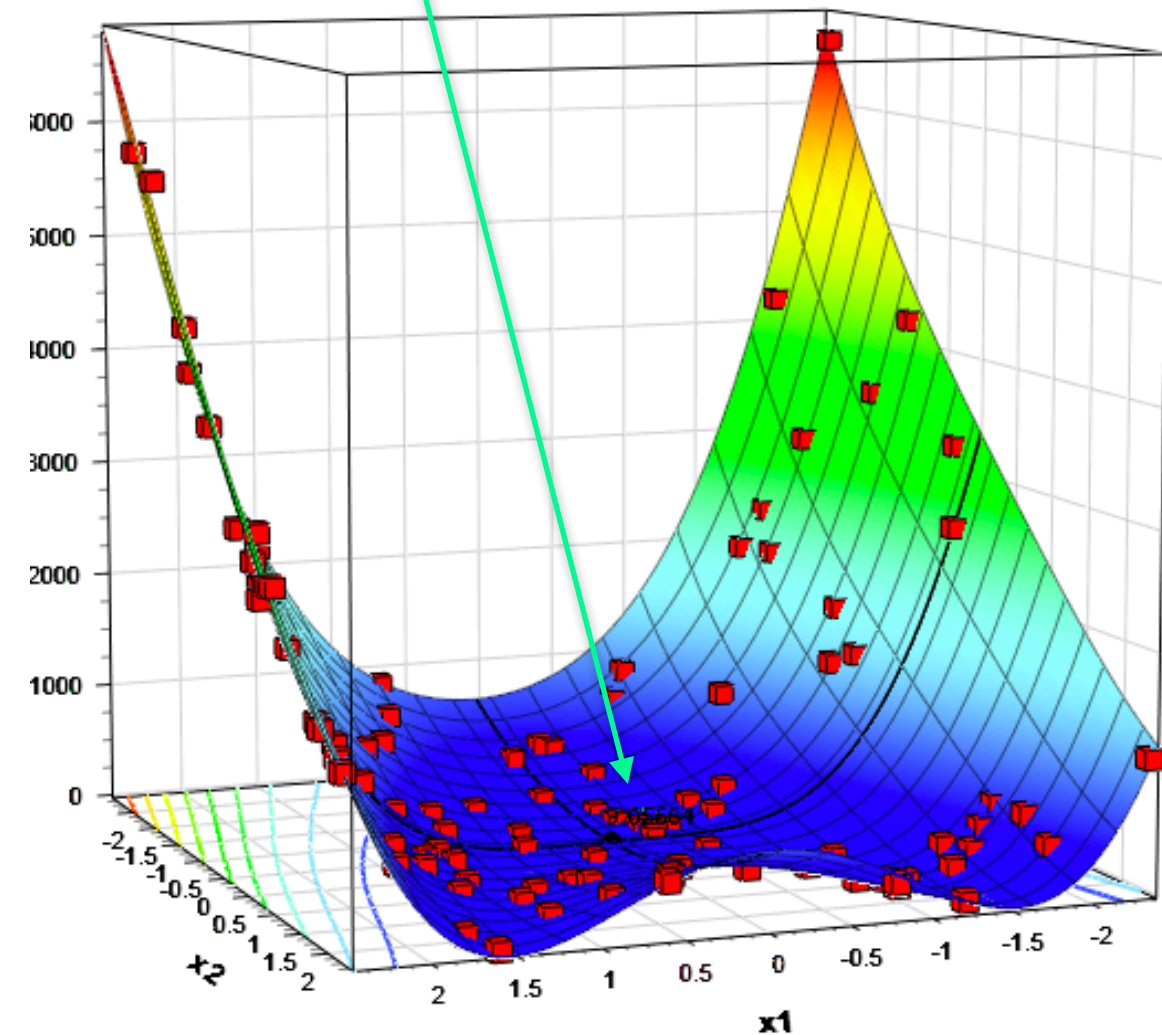


# Deep Surrogate Method



- Drag
- Pressure Coefficients
- Boundary Layer Velocities
- ...

Potential optimum



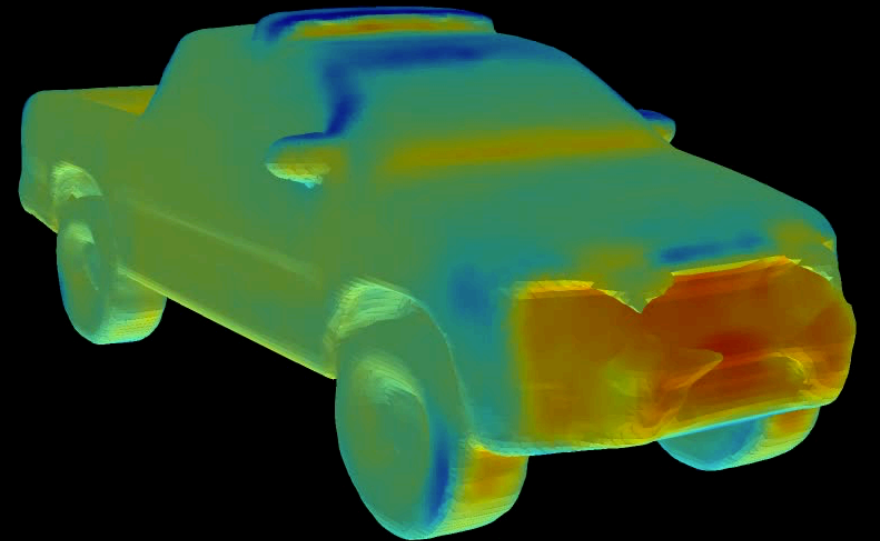
The response surface can be approximated by a geodesic CNN trained to do so.



# Shape Optimization



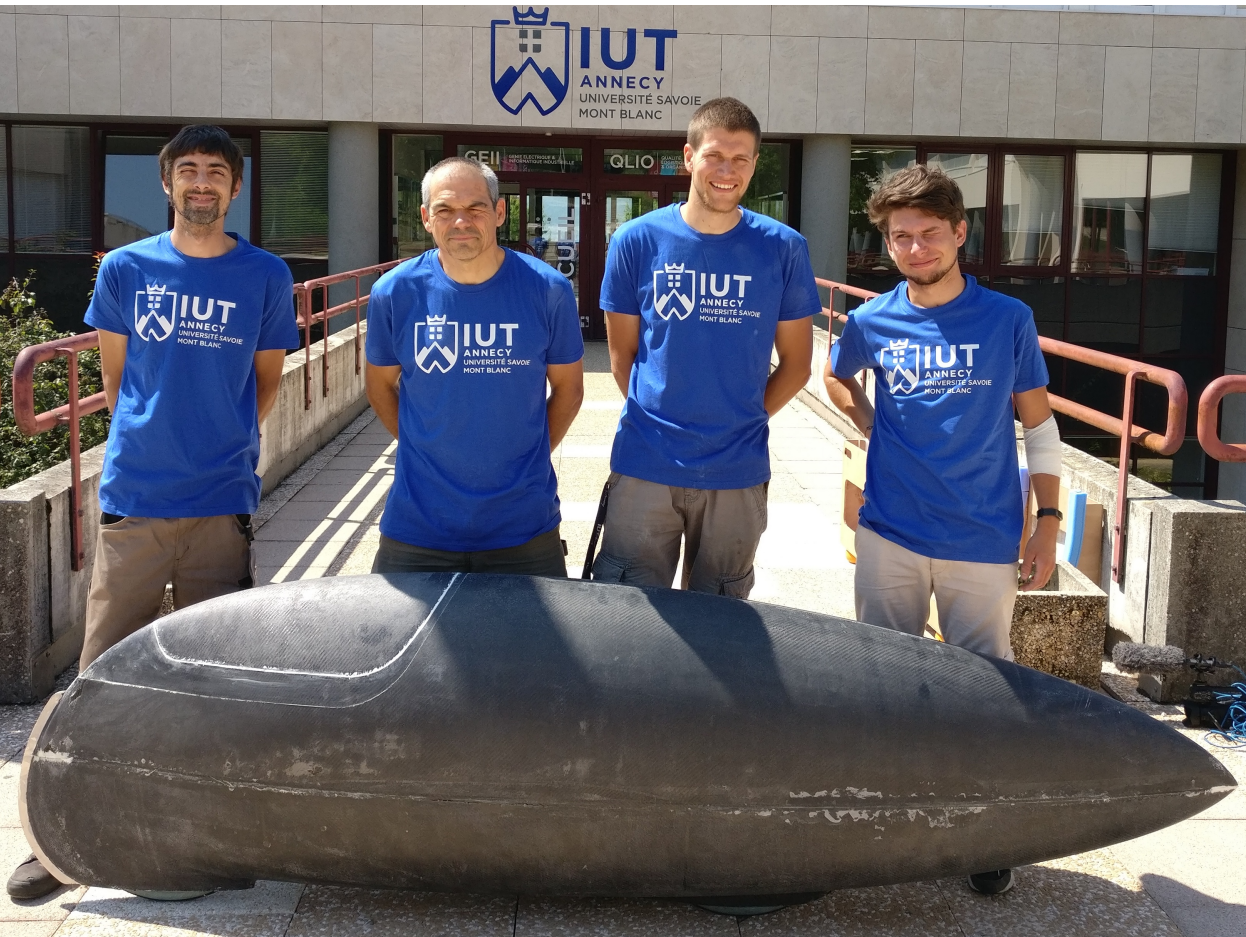
Changing the topology



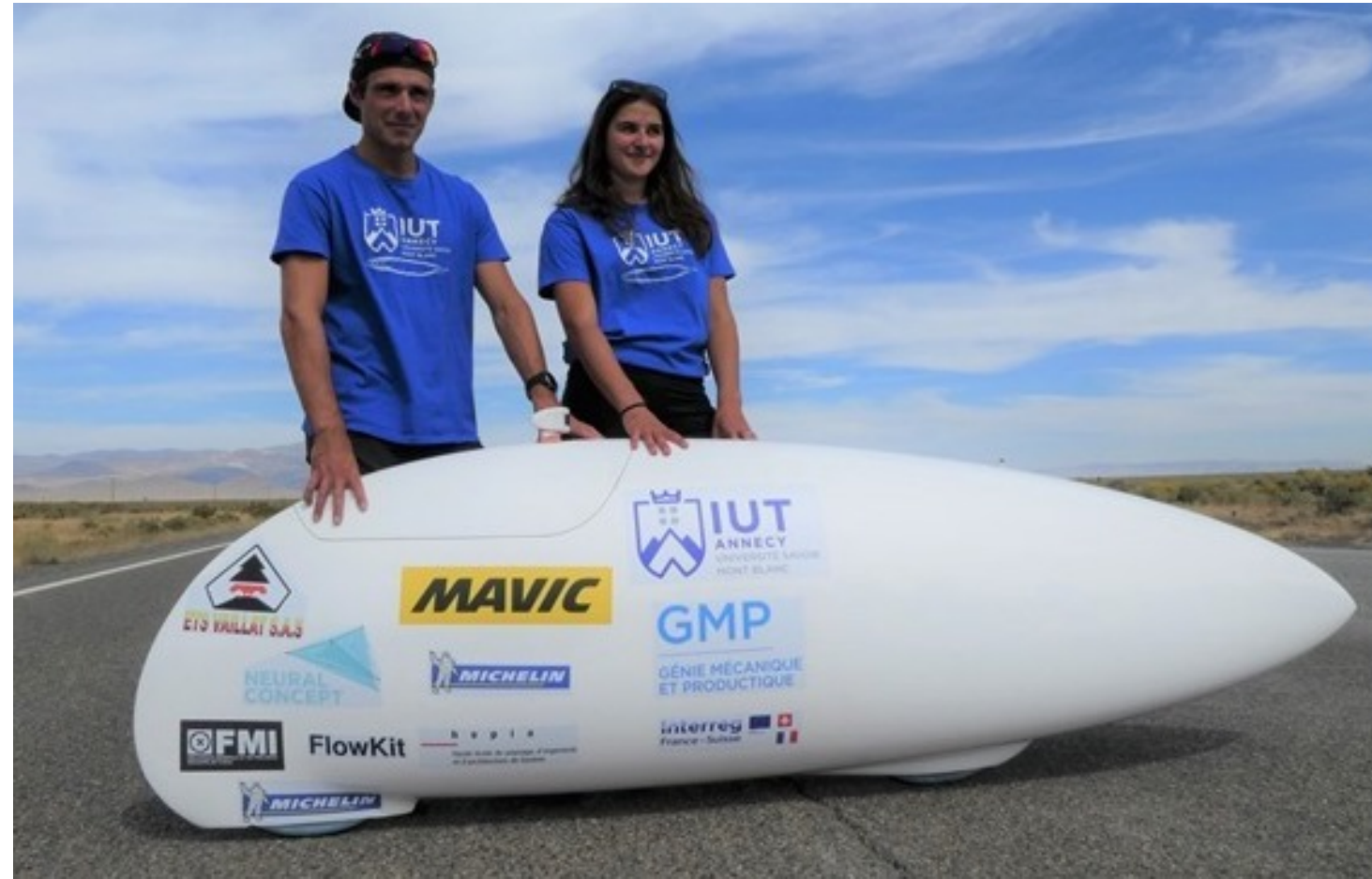
Minimizing the drag



# Bicycle Shell



Altair 6, IUT Annecy, 2018

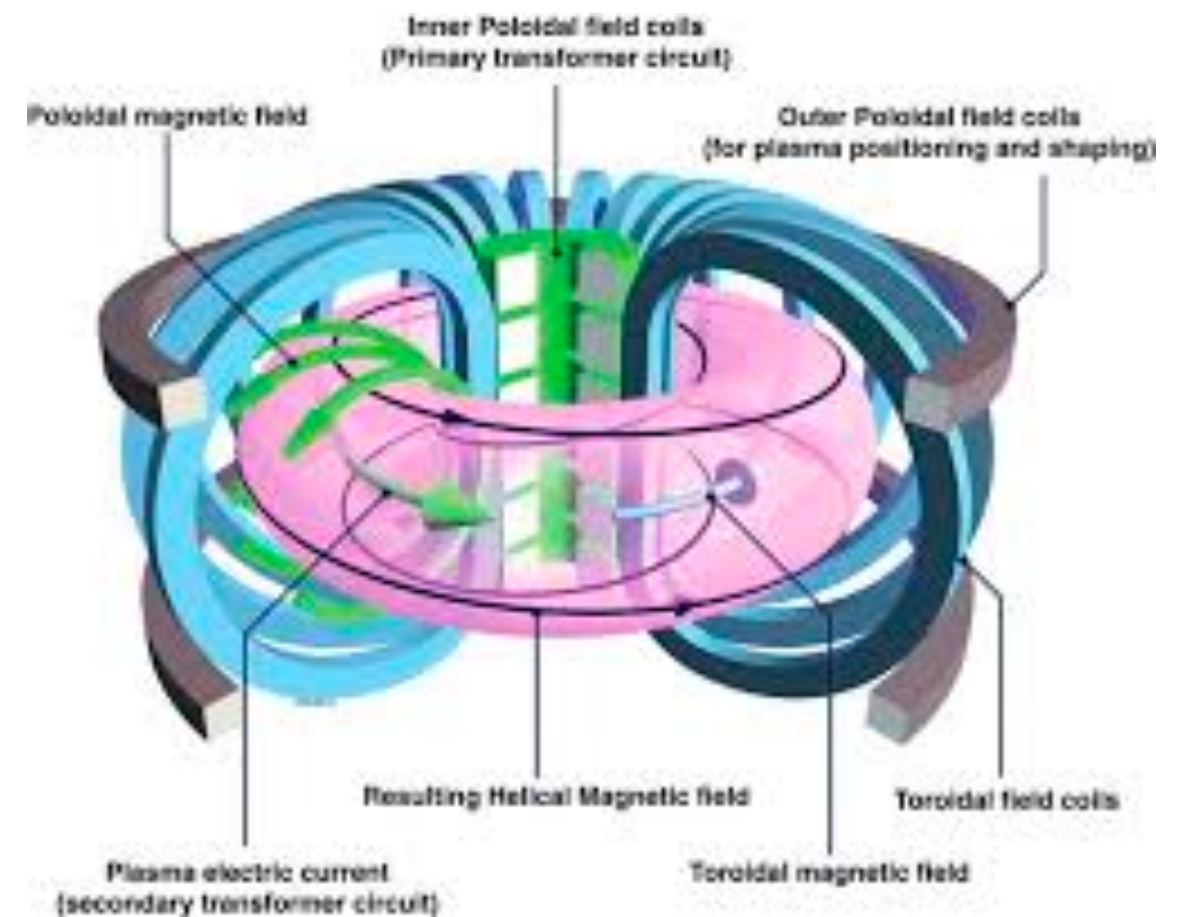


World Human Powered Speed Challenge  
Battle Mountain Nevada, 2019

Women world record: 126,48 km/h  
Men student world record: 136.74 km/h

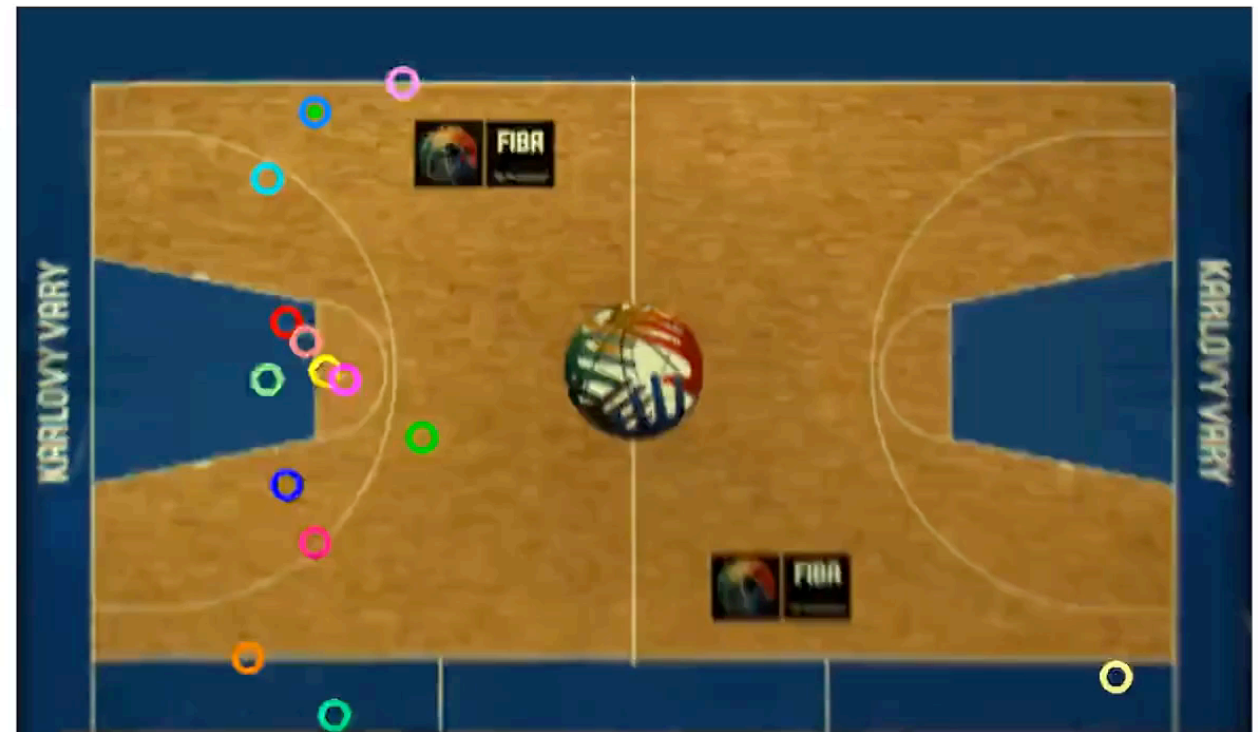


# From Satellite Systems to Nuclear Fusion



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# People Tracking

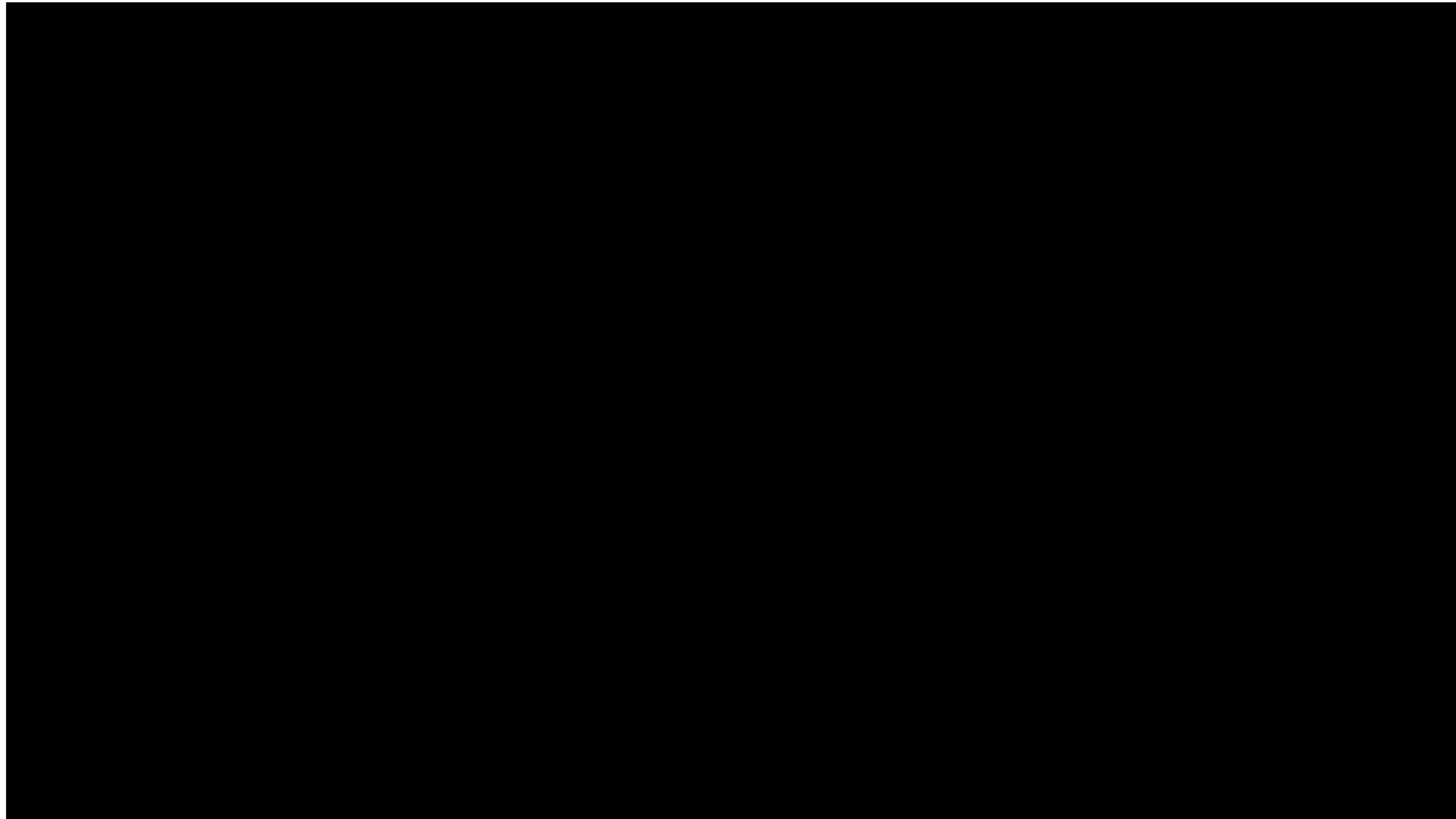


Two-step process:

1. Detection in each time-frame independently using a generative model
  2. Linking detections across frames using an LP solver
- > System is very robust to occlusions and occasional detection failures

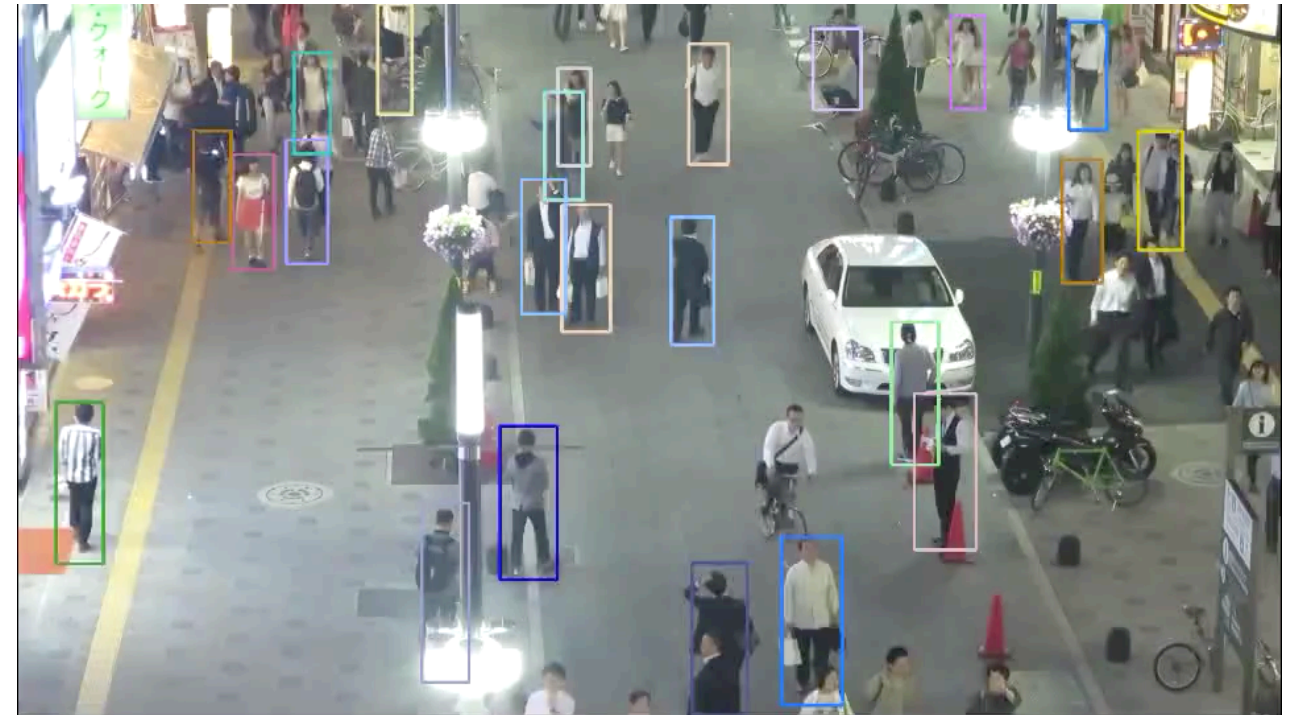


# From White Board to NBA and Soccer



- 2005: First ICCV paper published
- 2014: PlayfulVision founded
- 2015: PlayfulVision acquired by SecondSpectrum
- 2016: NBA Official Optical Tracking Provider
- 2017: System deployed in NBA arenas
- 2019: Premier League Optical Tracking Provider

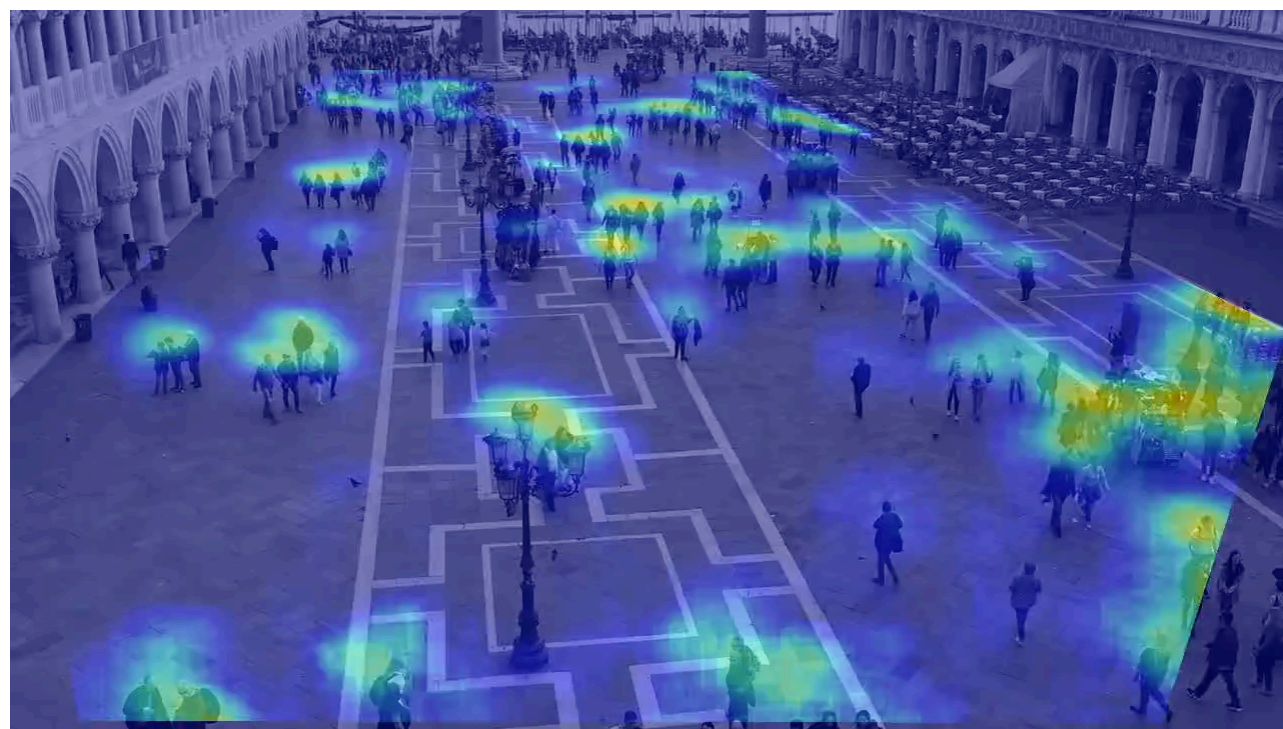
# Denser Crowds



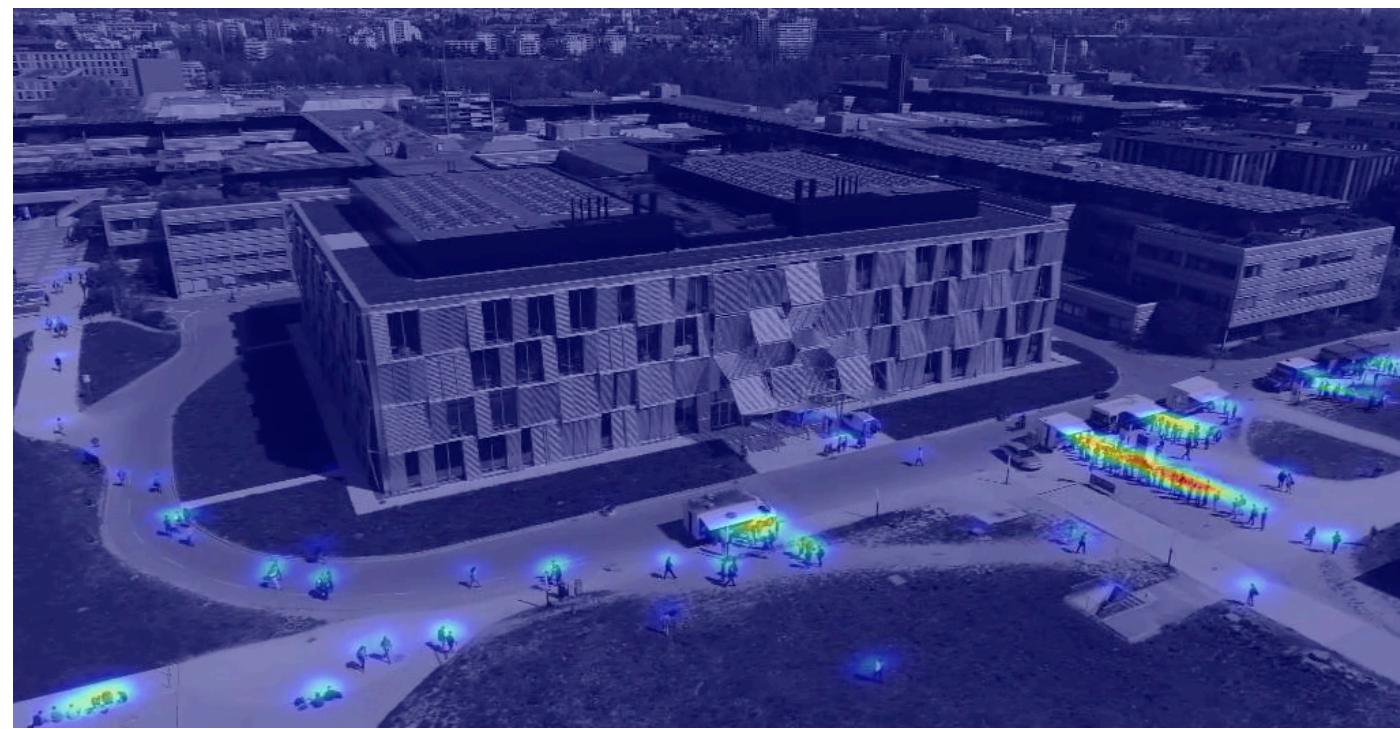
- Bounding boxes and last 3s of tracking
- Long tails denote identity preservation



# ... and even Denser



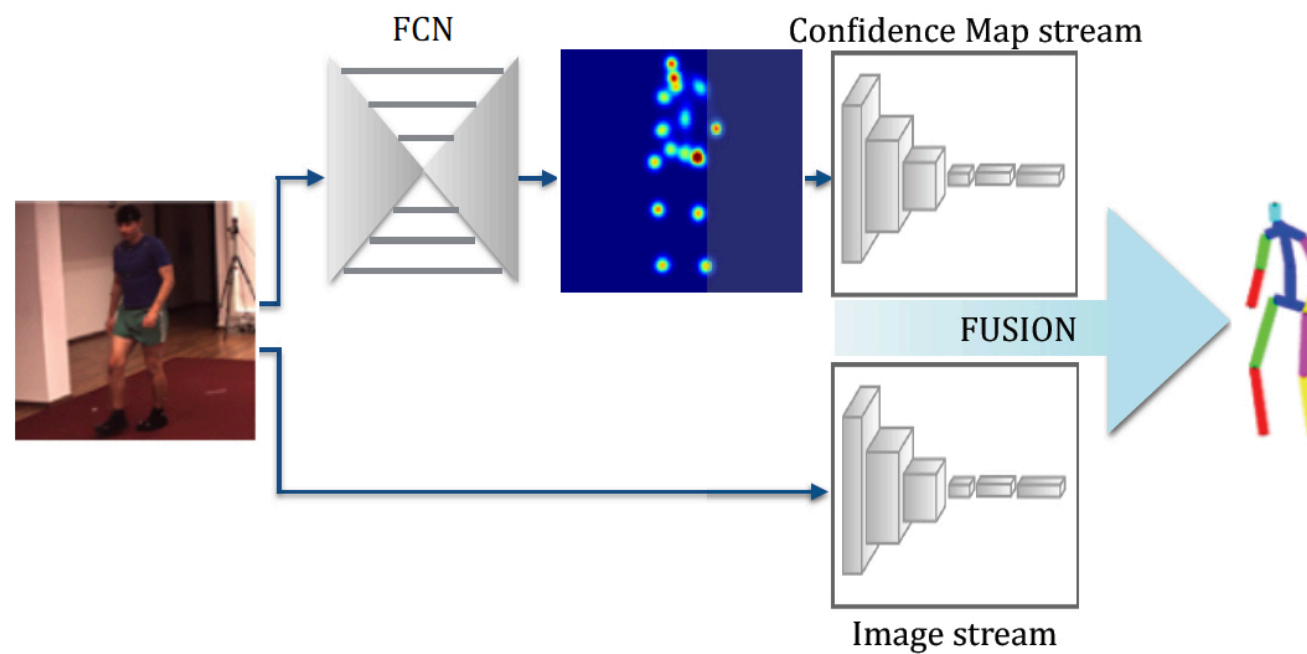
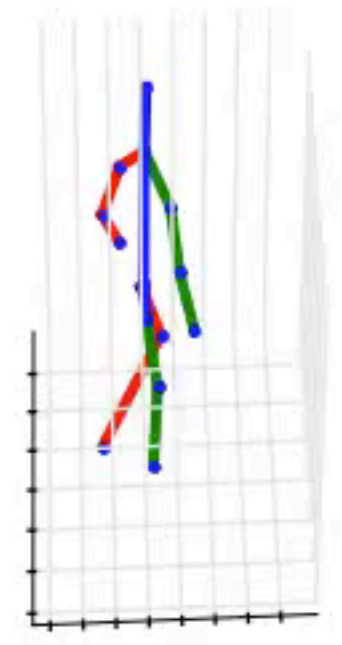
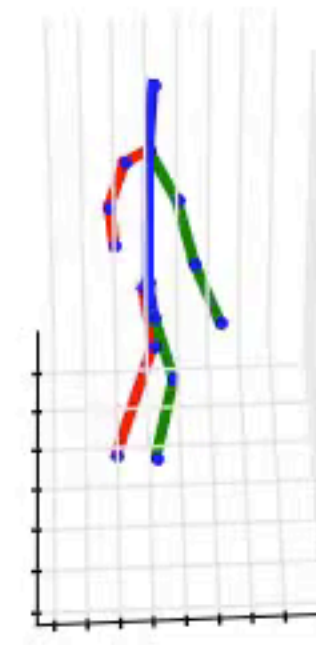
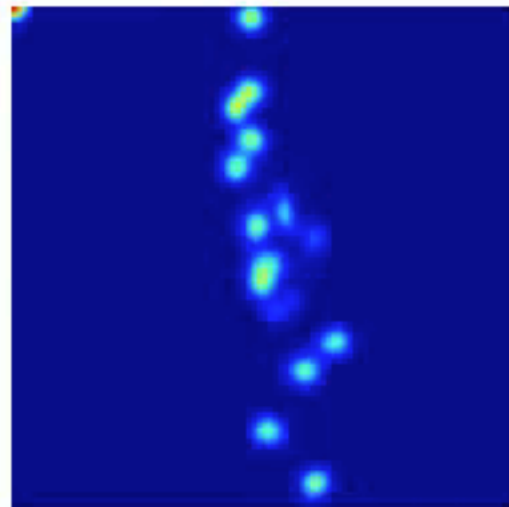
Venice



Lausanne

- Regress from image to people density
- Impose geometric constraints
- Impose temporal consistency on the flow

# Monocular 3D Pose Recovery



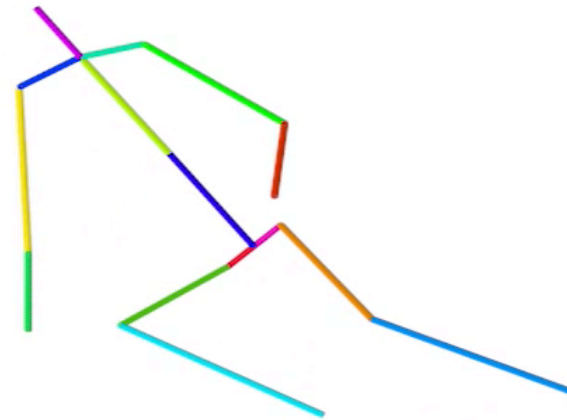


# Qualitative results on skiing

Training on the ski dataset with weak multi-view supervision improves accuracy.



Cropped input



Our method\*  
(trained on new ski dataset)



Baseline\*  
(trained on H3.6M)

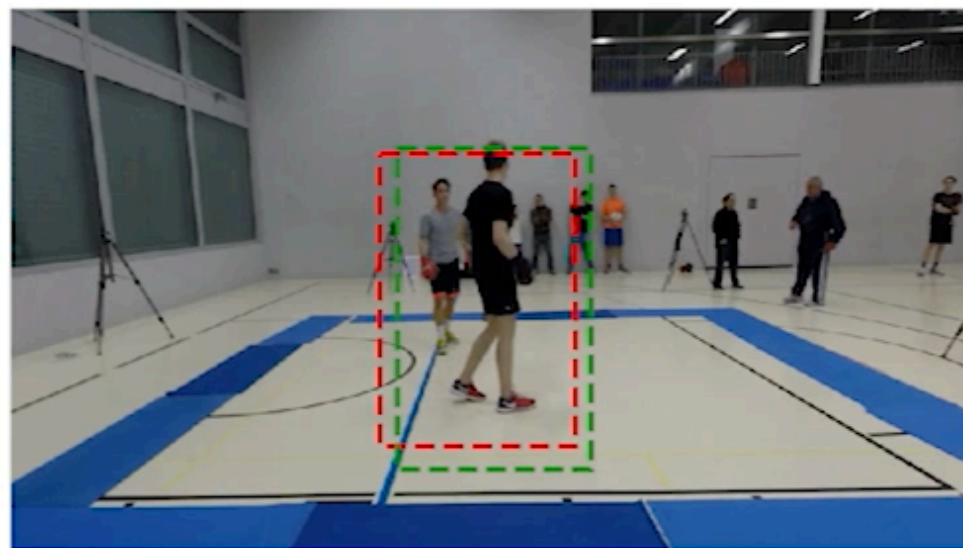
\*smoothed temporally with a Gaussian window of std=1

# Multiple People

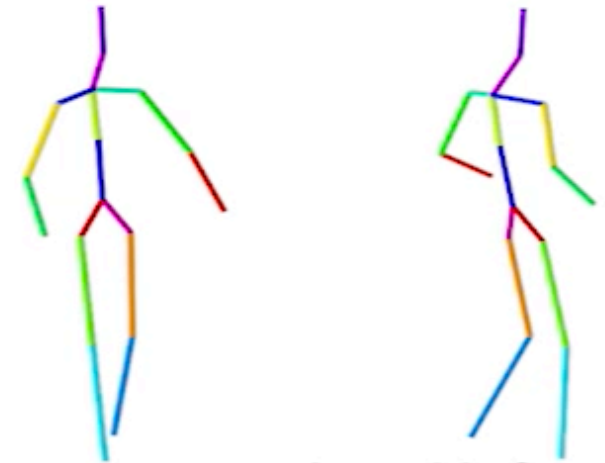
## Multi-person 3D pose estimation with NSD



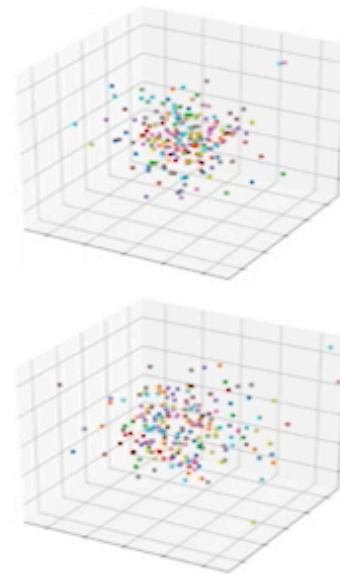
Input



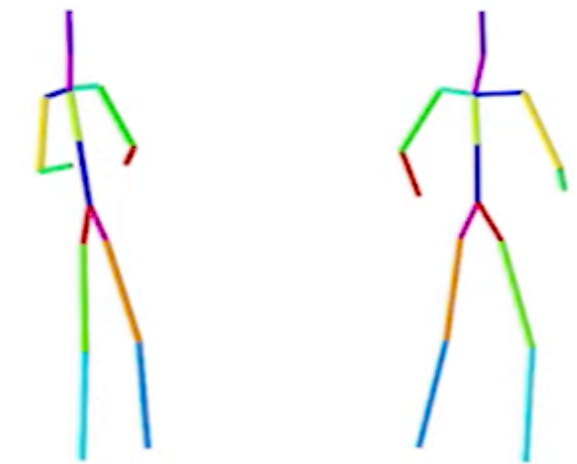
Bounding box



GT 3D poses (ordered left to right)



3D latent spaces



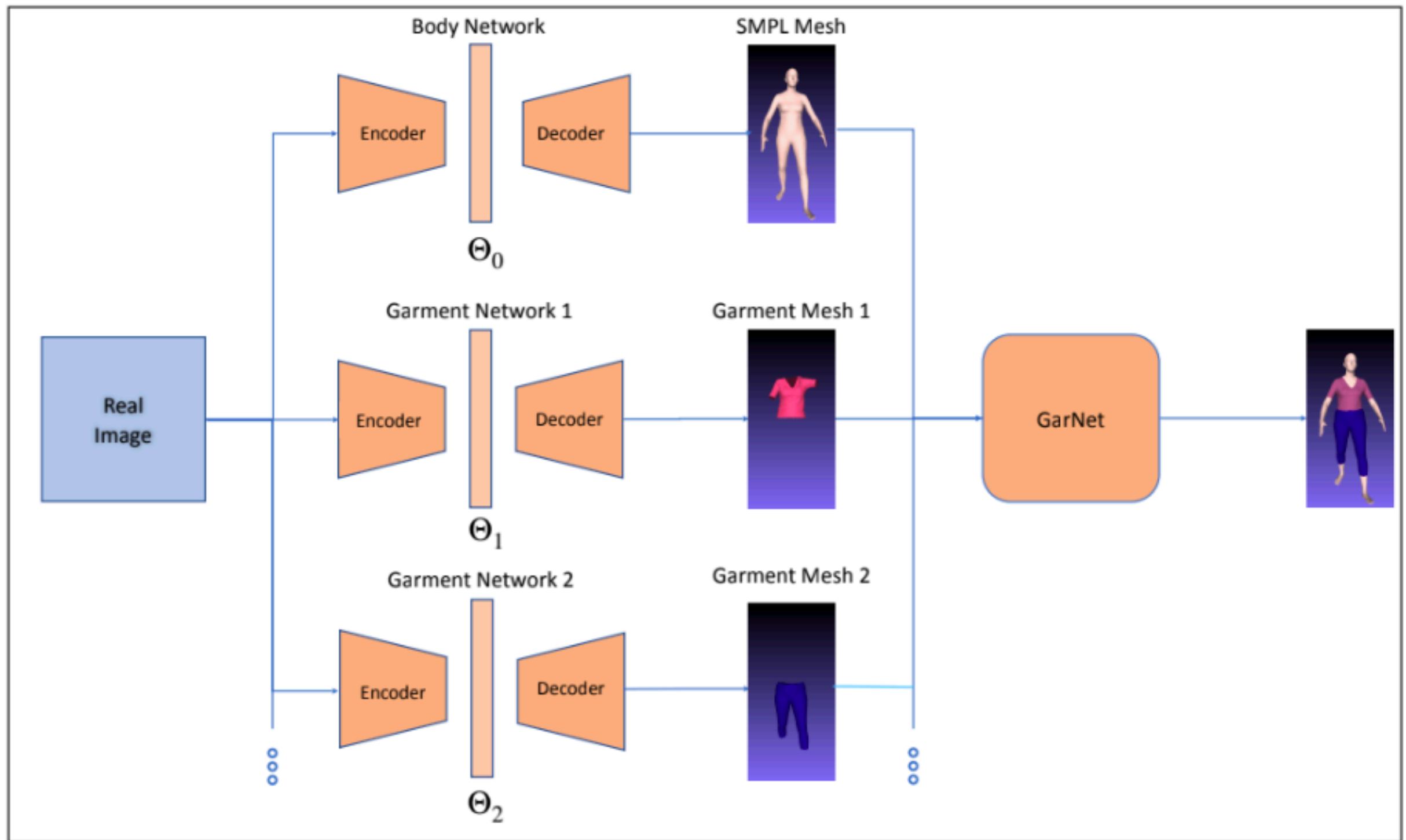
Our 3D pose prediction  
(ordered left to right)



# Temporal Consistency and Physics



# Modeling Clothed People



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# Future Work

Deep Learning now is at the heart of most of our algorithms but this not the end of the story:

- Geometry and physical constraints still matter
- The required training databases are not always available
- Guarantees and explanations are necessary
- For many tasks, we are still far from human level