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Title: The comparisons of encoder-side and decoder-side depth estimation

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#### **Abstract & Recommendations**

The document presents the comparisons of encoder-side and decoder-side depth estimation in multiple configurations. It is recommended to discuss the possibility of updating the configuration of IVDE in the G17 anchor with one of the proposed configurations.

#### 1 Introduction

The document presents the multiple comparisons of encoder-side and decoder-side depth estimation that were evaluated using TMIV 9.0. The focus is put not only on the quality of the final synthesized views but also on the runtimes of encoding and decoding processes.

### 2 Experiments

The performed experiments were conducted in a reduced-frame configuration of TMIV 9.0. Section 2.1 describes the comparison of A17 and G17 experiments, while Section 2.2 includes a comparison of G17 with the modified configuration of IVDE 4.0.

#### 2.1 A17 vs G17

#### 2.1.1 Comparison of anchors:

|                | Mandatory | content                      | - Proposa                   | l vs. Lov              | v/High-bi                     | trate Ancl                   | nors                 |                         |                       | Runtime ratio (%) |                   |                           |  |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Sequence       |           | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Max<br>delta<br>Y-PSNR | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Pixel<br>rate<br>[%] | Pixel<br>rate<br>[GP/s] | Frame<br>rate<br>[Hz] | Atlas<br>encoding | Video<br>encoding | Decoding<br>&<br>Renderin |  |
| ClassroomVideo | Α         |                              | 38.8%                       | 5.66                   | 105.8%                        | -15.7%                       | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 0.4%              | 110.4%            | 995.7%                    |  |
| Museum         | В         | 287.0%                       | 37.2%                       | 9.70                   | 73.5%                         | -6.5%                        | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 0.3%              | 72.0%             | 935.8%                    |  |
| Fan            | 0         |                              | -89.6%                      | 10.81                  | -66.8%                        | -77.3%                       | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 1.1%              | 91.4%             | 3235.1%                   |  |
| Kitchen        | J         | -38.2%                       | -33.7%                      | 11.74                  | 24.1%                         | 3.4%                         | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 0.8%              | 87.2%             | 3384.4%                   |  |
| Painter        | D         | -55.3%                       | -60.2%                      | 8.99                   | -30.3%                        | -48.2%                       | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 1.2%              | 87.3%             | 4038.2%                   |  |
| Frog           | E         | -72.1%                       | -64.2%                      | 7.61                   | -56.4%                        | -57.0%                       | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 1.4%              | 99.8%             | 8033.9%                   |  |
| Carpark        | Р         | 43.1%                        | 4.4%                        | 11.01                  | 42.3%                         | 7.7%                         | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 | 25                    | 1.7%              | 138.7%            | 2791.8%                   |  |
| Chess          | N         |                              |                             | 32.01                  |                               |                              | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 0.7%              | 75.3%             | 2080.3%                   |  |
| Group          | R         |                              |                             | 22.62                  |                               |                              | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 0.7%              | 85.5%             | 3347.2%                   |  |
| MIV            |           |                              |                             | 13.35                  |                               |                              | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 |                       | 0.9%              | 94.2%             | 3204.7%                   |  |
|                | Optional  | content -                    | Proposal                    | vs. Low                | /High-bitı                    | ate Anch                     | ors                  |                         |                       |                   |                   |                           |  |
| Fencing        | L         | 72.9%                        | -3.6%                       | 13.35                  | 24.3%                         | -27.3%                       | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 1.2%              | 150.0%            | 2695.7%                   |  |
| Hall           | T         | 1009.3%                      | 322.6%                      | 18.55                  | 630.9%                        | 220.3%                       | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 1.9%              | 186.3%            | 1915.7%                   |  |
| Street         | U         | -65.2%                       | -46.8%                      | 7.02                   | -33.1%                        | -30.6%                       | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 2.0%              | 127.1%            | 3102.5%                   |  |
| ChessPieces    | Q         |                              |                             | 34.86                  |                               |                              | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 0.5%              | 62.0%             | 2007.0%                   |  |
| Hijack         | С         |                              |                             | 21.92                  |                               |                              | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 0.8%              | 83.4%             | 526.9%                    |  |
| Mirror         | I         | -14.4%                       | -42.1%                      | 13.51                  | 18.2%                         | -32.9%                       | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 1.5%              | 111.0%            | 3218.3%                   |  |
| MIV            |           |                              |                             | 18.20                  |                               |                              | #VALUE!              | #VALUE!                 |                       | 1.3%              | 119.9%            | 2244.4%                   |  |

- In general, the encoding is 100 times faster in G17 than in A17, while decoding (that includes depth estimation for all views) is ~32 times longer.
- The objective quality is better for most perspective sequences and sometimes for omnidirectional content for low bitrates.

#### 2.1.2 EE1 vs G17 (encoder-side depth estimation vs decoder-side depth estimation):

|                | Mandatory | content - | or       | s      |            |           | Runtime ratio (%) |        |         |       |          |          |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|-----------|-------------------|--------|---------|-------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Sequence       |           | High-BR   | Low-BR   | Max    | High-BR    | Low-BR    | Г                 | Pixel  | Pixel   | Frame | Atlas    | Video    | Decoding  |
|                |           | BD rate   | BD rate  | delta  | BD rate    | BD rate   |                   | rate   | rate    | rate  | encoding | encoding | &         |
|                |           | Y-PSNR    | Y-PS NR  | Y-PSNR | IV-PS NR   | IV-PSNR   | L                 | [%]    | [GP/s]  | [Hz]  |          |          | Rendering |
| ClassroomVideo | Α         | -73.4%    | -82.3%   | 5.66   | -67.0%     | -82.2%    | L                 | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 0.4%     | 53.4%    | 955.5%    |
| Museum         | В         |           |          | 9.70   | -87.5%     | -85.6%    | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.1%     | 42.7%    | 918.1%    |
| Fan            | 0         | -53.9%    | -67.4%   | 10.81  | -42.2%     | -57.2%    |                   | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 1.0%     | 80.6%    | 2929.3%   |
| Kitchen        | J         | -61.4%    | -55.5%   | 11.74  | -11.4%     | -22.0%    | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.6%     | 60.8%    | 2687.8%   |
| Painter        | D         | -73.8%    | -73.1%   | 8.99   | -60.7%     | -66.2%    | ı                 | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 1.2%     | 74.8%    | 4322.0%   |
| Frog           | Е         | -63.7%    | -60.7%   | 7.61   | -51.2%     | -55.9%    |                   | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 1.2%     | 85.6%    | 7297.2%   |
| Carpark        | Р         | -0.0%     | -28.3%   | 11.01  | -2.9%      | -27.5%    | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 25    | 1.7%     | 83.2%    | 2689.7%   |
| Chess          | N         |           |          | 32.01  |            |           | Г                 | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 0.3%     | 62.4%    | 1837.0%   |
| Group          | R         |           |          | 22.62  |            |           |                   | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 0.3%     | 73.1%    | 3266.1%   |
| MIV            |           |           |          | 13.35  |            |           | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 0.8%     | 68.5%    | 2989.2%   |
|                | Optional  | content - | Proposal | ve Low | /High-hits | rate Anch | a re              |        |         |       |          |          |           |
| Fencing        | L         | 39.6%     | -22.8%   | 13.35  | 18.1%      | -39.2%    | Γ                 | 83%    | 0.89    | 25    | 1.6%     | 107.1%   | 2529.2%   |
| Hall           | Т         | 1934.4%   | 739.9%   | 18.55  | 1249.8%    | 485.7%    |                   | 83%    | 0.89    | 25    | 1.6%     | 204.3%   | 1956.8%   |
| Street         | U         | -68.3%    | -55.6%   | 7.02   | -38.6%     | -42.0%    |                   | 83%    | 0.89    | 25    | 2.0%     | 85.7%    | 2967.2%   |
| ChessPieces    | Q         |           |          | 34.86  |            |           | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.4%     | 53.0%    | 1931.4%   |
| Hijack         | С         |           |          | 21.92  |            |           | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.3%     | 67.8%    | 506.5%    |
| Mirror         | I         | -14.4%    | -42.1%   | 13.51  | 18.2%      | -32.9%    |                   | 100%   | 1.07    | 30    | 1.0%     | 80.8%    | 2926.0%   |
| MIV            |           |           |          | 18.20  |            |           | #                 | VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 1.2%     | 99.8%    | 2136.2%   |

- The runtimes differences for TMIV encoding and decoding are very similar to the A17 vs G17 comparison. The VVC encoding is 40% faster.
- The objective quality is better for all mandatory content with an exception for SN (probably due to a bug in TMIV reported with anchors) and SR (wrong calculation of z far value.

#### 2.1.3 EE1 vs G17, both with modified configuration of IVDE:

"NumOfThreads": 4 (up from 2),
"NumberOfCycles": 2 (up from 1),

<sup>&</sup>quot;TemporalEnhancementThresh": 1.5 (up from 0.5).

|                | Mandatory | hors      |          |         | Runtime ratio (%) |           |         |         |       |          |          |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Sequence       |           | High-BR   | Low-BR   | Max     | High-BR           | Low-BR    | Pixel   | Pixel   | Frame | Atlas    | Video    | Decoding  |
| _              |           | BD rate   | BD rate  | delta   | BD rate           | BD rate   | rate    | rate    | rate  | encoding | encoding | &         |
|                |           | Y-PSNR    | Y-PS NR  | Y-PSNR  | IV-PS NR          | IV-PSNR   | [%]     | [GP/s]  | [Hz]  |          |          | Rendering |
| ClassroomVideo | Α         | -87.6%    | -88.5%   | 5.76    | -75.4%            | -85.3%    | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 0.3%     | 59.3%    | 975.9%    |
| Museum         | В         |           |          | 9.29    | -77.2%            | -75.3%    | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.1%     | 63.1%    | 1622.7%   |
| Fan            | 0         | -59.0%    | -69.3%   | 10.50   | -45.4%            | -59.7%    | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 1.5%     | 104.1%   | 4091.0%   |
| Kitchen        | J         | -65.2%    | -59.5%   | 13.08   | 8.6%              | -19.3%    | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.6%     | 70.6%    | 5257.7%   |
| Painter        | D         | -70.7%    | -70.7%   | 8.45    | -50.8%            | -60.3%    | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 1.7%     | 87.7%    | 6999.0%   |
| Frog           | E         | -65.2%    | -61.4%   | 7.60    | -52.0%            | -56.1%    | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 1.7%     | 112.6%   | #######   |
| Carpark        | Р         | -23.7%    | -42.1%   | 10.59   | -13.5%            | -37.6%    | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 25    | 1.7%     | 135.8%   | 4391.3%   |
| Chess          | N         |           |          | 31.64   |                   |           | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 0.5%     | 79.3%    | 2604.8%   |
| Group          | R         |           |          | 22.64   |                   |           | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 0.2%     | 88.2%    | 5162.7%   |
| MIN            | V         |           |          | 13.28   |                   |           | #VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 0.9%     | 89.0%    | 4852.1%   |
|                | Optional  | content - | Proposal | vs. Low | /High-bit         | rate Anch | ors     |         |       |          |          |           |
| Fencing        | L         | 20.0%     | -31.2%   | 13.30   | 13.7%             | -42.0%    | 83%     | 0.89    | 25    | 1.9%     | 137.0%   | 3994.8%   |
| Hall           | Т         | 2124.5%   | 794.6%   | 17.64   | 913.7%            | 155.6%    | 83%     | 0.89    | 25    | 2.3%     | 320.6%   | 4058.4%   |
| Street         | U         | -65.4%    | -51.2%   | 7.03    | -30.6%            | -35.4%    | 83%     | 0.89    | 25    | 2.0%     | 134.2%   | 5318.7%   |
| ChessPieces    | Q         |           |          | 34.87   |                   |           | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.6%     | 55.2%    | 3785.9%   |
| Hijack         | С         |           |          | 21.32   |                   |           | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 0.6%     | 90.3%    | 744.7%    |
| Mirror         | 1         | -30.4%    | -43.8%   | 12.58   | -6.2%             | -30.6%    | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 1.6%     | 110.8%   | 4200.0%   |
| MIN            | V         |           |          | 17.79   |                   |           | #VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 1.5%     | 141.3%   | 3683.7%   |

- The runtimes for decoding are longer than in previous experiments, but twice as many threads are used by IVDE, so wall time is similar.
- The differences in objective quality are similar despite the better quality of depth maps (see Section 2.2.1). The comparison of DSDE vs ESDE seems to be not very dependent on the used configuration of the depth estimator.

#### 2.2 G17 vs modified G17

#### 2.2.1 Higher quality:

"NumOfThreads": 4 (up from 2),
"NumberOfCycles": 2 (up from 1),

<sup>&</sup>quot;TemporalEnhancementThresh": 1.5 (up from 0.5).

| Mandatory content - Proposal vs. Low/High-bitrate Anchors |          |           |          |        |            |          |   |         |         |       |          | Runtime ratio (%) |           |  |  |
|---|----------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|----------|---|---------|---------|-------|----------|-------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Sequence  |          | High-BR   | Low-BR   | Max    | High-BR    | Low-BR   |   | Pixel   | Pixel   | Frame | Atlas    | Video             | Decoding  |  |  |
|   |          | BD rate   | BD rate  | delta  | BD rate    | BD rate  |   | rate    | rate    | rate  | encoding | encoding          | &         |  |  |
|   |          | Y-PSNR    | Y-PSNR   | Y-PSNR | IV-PSNR    | IV-PSNR  |   | [%]     | [GP/s]  | [Hz]  |          |                   | Rendering |  |  |
| ClassroomVideo  | Α        | -36.2%    | -23.1%   | 5.76   | -10.4%     | -8.1%    |   | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 88.5%     |  |  |
| Museum  | В        | -17.8%    | -14.1%   | 9.29   | -7.5%      | -6.6%    |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 188.4%    |  |  |
| Fan   | 0        | -8.4%     | -3.4%    | 10.50  | -10.5%     | -5.6%    |   | 100%    |         | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 160.9%    |  |  |
| Kitchen   | J        | 11.6%     | 2.0%     | 13.08  | 17.3%      | 5.8%     |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 186.9%    |  |  |
| Painter   | D        | -26.1%    | -15.3%   | 8.45   | -23.7%     | -14.6%   |   | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 165.2%    |  |  |
| Frog  | E        | 5.5%      | 2.6%     | 7.60   | 3.3%       | 1.3%     |   | 100%    |         | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 140.7%    |  |  |
| Carpark   | Р        | -64.9%    | -48.5%   | 10.59  | -48.1%     | -38.4%   |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 25    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 152.9%    |  |  |
| Chess   | N        |           |          | 31.64  | 145.9%     | 189.7%   |   | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 140.3%    |  |  |
| Group   | R        | -35.2%    | -34.9%   | 22.64  | -17.2%     | -9.6%    |   | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 171.9%    |  |  |
| MIV   |          |           |          | 13.28  | 5.5%       | 12.6%    |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 155.1%    |  |  |
|   | Optional | content - | Dronosal | vs Low | /High_hitr | ate Anch | _ | rc      |         |       |          |                   |           |  |  |
| Fencing   | L        | -16.0%    | -7.3%    | 13.30  | 1.5%       | 1.3%     | ľ | 83%     | 0.89    | 25    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 152.5%    |  |  |
|   |          |           |          | 1      |            |          |   |         |         |       |          |                   |           |  |  |
| Hall  | Т        | -23.1%    | -87.8%   | 17.64  | -32.2%     | -88.0%   |   | 83%     | 0.89    | 25    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 176.0%    |  |  |
| Street  | U        | -3.4%     | -3.6%    | 7.03   | -1.8%      | -2.2%    |   | 83%     |         | 25    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 155.3%    |  |  |
| ChessPieces   | Q        | -21.7%    | -20.1%   | 34.87  | 10.9%      | -7.6%    |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 178.7%    |  |  |
| Hijack  | С        |           |          | 21.32  |            |          |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 148.6%    |  |  |
| Mirror  | I        | -23.2%    | -12.9%   | 12.58  | -27.7%     | -12.8%   |   | 100%    | 1.07    | 30    | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 159.6%    |  |  |
| MIV   |          |           |          | 17.79  |            |          |   | #VALUE! | #VALUE! |       | 100.0%   | 100.0%            | 161.8%    |  |  |

- The bitrates and encoding time are always the same in all G17 experiments, as only the configuration of IVDE is changed and depth estimation is performed always on the same input.
- The runtimes for decoding are longer than in previous experiments, but twice as many threads are used by IVDE, so wall time is similar.
- The objective quality is better for most sequences.

#### 2.2.2 Similar quality, faster depth estimation:

"NumOfThreads": 4 (up from 2),

"NumberOfSuperpixels": 25000 (down from 100000),

"NumberOfZSteps": 128 (down from 256),

"NumberOfCycles": 2 (up from 1),

"TemporalEnhancementThresh": 1.5 (up from 0.5).

|                |          |                              | Runtime ratio (%)           |                        |                               |                              |     |                      |                         |                       |                   |                   |                            |
|----------------|----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Sequence       |          | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Max<br>delta<br>Y-PSNR | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR |     | Pixel<br>rate<br>[%] | Pixel<br>rate<br>[GP/s] | Frame<br>rate<br>[Hz] | Atlas<br>encoding | Video<br>encoding | Decoding<br>&<br>Rendering |
| ClassroomVideo | Α        | 45.3%                        | 21.1%                       | 6.01                   | 18.9%                         | 10.3%                        |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 26.1%                      |
| Museum         | В        | 3.3%                         | -2.2%                       | 9.40                   | -0.8%                         | -1.3%                        |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 40.8%                      |
| Fan            | 0        | 8.0%                         | 6.6%                        | 10.75                  | 4.6%                          | 5.4%                         |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 23.3%                      |
| Kitchen        | J        | 53.0%                        | 34.1%                       | 12.13                  | 28.0%                         | 20.4%                        | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 27.0%                      |
| Painter        | D        | -17.2%                       | -10.0%                      | 8.86                   | -17.3%                        | -10.9%                       |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 22.4%                      |
| Frog           | E        | 11.7%                        | 6.7%                        | 7.76                   | 15.3%                         | 8.4%                         |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 17.9%                      |
| Carpark        | Р        | -28.9%                       | -21.1%                      | 10.95                  | -27.4%                        | -21.7%                       | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 27.1%                      |
| Chess          | N        |                              |                             | 30.95                  | 215.4%                        | 150.4%                       |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 34.3%                      |
| Group          | R        | -37.7%                       | -37.5%                      | 22.63                  | -5.7%                         | -5.4%                        |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 29.5%                      |
| MIV            |          |                              |                             | 13.27                  | 25.7%                         | 17.3%                        | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 |                       | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 27.6%                      |
|                | Optional | content -                    | Proposal                    | vs. Low                | /High-biti                    | ate Anch                     | ors |                      |                         |                       |                   |                   |                            |
| Fencing        | L        |                              |                             | 13.80                  | 370.9%                        | 165.0%                       |     | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 24.6%                      |
| Hall           | T        |                              |                             | 19.85                  |                               |                              |     | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 28.5%                      |
| Street         | U        | 294.9%                       | 87.0%                       | 7.87                   | 100.1%                        | 34.4%                        |     | 83%                  | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 23.4%                      |
| ChessPieces    | Q        | 82.9%                        | 43.1%                       | 32.80                  | 56.1%                         | 27.1%                        | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 37.6%                      |
| Hijack         | С        | 19.2%                        | -75.4%                      | 21.67                  | -24.6%                        | -8.0%                        | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 55.9%                      |
| Mirror         | I        | 0.4%                         | -2.6%                       | 13.04                  | -4.4%                         | -3.7%                        |     | 100%                 | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 30.5%                      |
| MIV            |          |                              |                             | 18.17                  |                               |                              | #   | VALUE!               | #VALUE!                 |                       | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 33.4%                      |

- The runtimes for decoding are much lower (4 times faster than in the G17 anchor) due to decreased number of depth levels and superpixels in each view during the depth estimation. Moreover, twice as many threads are used by IVDE.
- The objective quality differences vary for different sequences and are on average the same as in G17 for mandatory sequences (when N is not taken into account).
- When compared to the A17 anchor (below), the decoding time difference A17 and G17 becomes much smaller (down from 32 times slower to 8 times slower):

|                | Mandatory content - Proposal vs. Low/High-bitrate Anchors |                              |                             |                        |                               |                              |                                 |         |                   |                   |                            |  |
|----------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Sequence       |   | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Max<br>delta<br>Y-PSNR | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Pixel Pix<br>rate ra<br>[%] [GP | te rate | Atlas<br>encoding | Video<br>encoding | Decoding<br>&<br>Rendering |  |
| ClassroomVideo | Α   |                              | 33.0%                       | 6.01                   | 138.4%                        | -15.6%                       | 100% 1.0                        |         | 0.4%              | 110.4%            | 260.3%                     |  |
| Museum         | В   | 328.6%                       | 37.6%                       | 9.40                   | 72.3%                         | -7.3%                        | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE! 30 | 0.3%              | 72.0%             | 381.7%                     |  |
| Fan            | 0   |                              | -89.1%                      | 10.75                  | -65.9%                        | -76.4%                       | 100% 1.0                        |         | 1.1%              | 91.4%             | 752.5%                     |  |
| Kitchen        | J   | -4.4%                        | -9.2%                       | 12.13                  | 55.4%                         | 25.4%                        | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE! 30 | 0.8%              | 87.2%             | 913.6%                     |  |
| Painter        | D   | -62.1%                       | -63.5%                      | 8.86                   | -37.2%                        | -51.4%                       | 100% 1.0                        | 07 30   | 1.2%              | 87.3%             | 905.0%                     |  |
| Frog           | E   | -69.4%                       | -62.7%                      | 7.76                   | -50.8%                        | -54.3%                       | 100% 1.0                        |         | 1.4%              | 99.8%             | 1437.2%                    |  |
| Carpark        | Р   | 29.7%                        | -2.8%                       | 10.95                  | 31.9%                         | -1.3%                        | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE! 25 | 1.7%              | 138.7%            | 756.2%                     |  |
| Chess          | N   |                              |                             | 30.95                  |                               |                              | 100% 1.0                        | 07 30   | 0.7%              | 75.3%             | 713.4%                     |  |
| Group          | R   |                              |                             | 22.63                  |                               |                              | 100% 1.0                        | 07 30   | 0.7%              | 85.5%             | 986.2%                     |  |
| MIV            |   |                              |                             | 13.27                  |                               |                              | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE!    | 0.9%              | 94.2%             | 789.6%                     |  |
|                | Optional  | content -                    | Proposal                    | vs. Low                | /High-bitı                    | rate Anch                    | ors                             |         |                   |                   |                            |  |
| Fencing        | L   | 125.3%                       | 20.4%                       | 13.80                  | 83.5%                         | -9.8%                        | 83% 0.8                         | 39 25   | 1.2%              | 150.0%            | 664.1%                     |  |
| Hall           | T   |                              | 762.2%                      | 19.85                  |                               | 388.5%                       | 83% 0.8                         | 39 25   | 1.9%              | 186.3%            | 545.3%                     |  |
| Street         | U   | 30.5%                        | -3.4%                       | 7.87                   | 24.7%                         | -7.8%                        | 83% 0.8                         |         | 2.0%              | 127.1%            | 724.7%                     |  |
| ChessPieces    | Q   |                              |                             | 32.80                  |                               |                              | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE! 30 | 0.5%              | 62.0%             | 754.7%                     |  |
| Hijack         | С   |                              |                             | 21.67                  |                               |                              | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE! 30 | 0.8%              | 83.4%             | 294.5%                     |  |
| Mirror         | I   | -12.5%                       | -43.9%                      | 13.04                  | 21.2%                         | -35.8%                       | 100% 1.0                        | 07 30   | 1.5%              | 111.0%            | 980.1%                     |  |
| MIV            |   |                              |                             | 18.17                  |                               |                              | #VALUE! #VA                     | LUE!    | 1.3%              | 119.9%            | 660.6%                     |  |

#### 2.2.3 Lower quality, much faster depth estimation:

"NumOfThreads": 4 (up from 2),

"NumberOfSuperpixels": 12500 (down from 100000),

"NumberOfZSteps": 64 (down from 256),

"NumberOfCycles": 2 (up from 1),

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"TemporalEnhancementThresh": 1.5 (up from 0.5).

|                | Mandatory content - Proposal vs. Low/High-bitrate Anchors |                              |                             |                        |                               |                              |                  |     |                         |                       |                   |                   | io (%)                     |
|----------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Sequence       |   | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>Y-PSNR | Max<br>delta<br>Y-PSNR | High-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Low-BR<br>BD rate<br>IV-PSNR | Pix<br>rat<br>[% | e   | Pixel<br>rate<br>[GP/s] | Frame<br>rate<br>[Hz] | Atlas<br>encoding | Video<br>encoding | Decoding<br>&<br>Rendering |
| ClassroomVideo | Α   | 550.2%                       | 138.3%                      | 6.41                   | 54.5%                         | 28.5%                        | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 16.7%                      |
| Museum         | В   | 54.0%                        | 21.7%                       | 9.55                   | 10.0%                         | 4.4%                         | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 23.8%                      |
| Fan            | 0   | 52.4%                        | 27.8%                       | 11.28                  | 19.7%                         | 13.4%                        | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 14.6%                      |
| Kitchen        | J   | 379.9%                       | 113.8%                      | 14.42                  | 90.8%                         | 46.5%                        | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 17.8%                      |
| Painter        | D   | 19.3%                        | 9.7%                        | 9.81                   | -8.4%                         | -6.9%                        | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 14.1%                      |
| Frog           | E   | 16.8%                        | 9.6%                        | 7.89                   | 20.8%                         | 11.8%                        |                  | 00% |                         | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 7.6%                       |
| Carpark        | Р   | 466.8%                       | 173.3%                      | 11.75                  | 43.6%                         | 33.0%                        | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 13.9%                      |
| Chess          | N   |                              |                             | 31.07                  |                               |                              | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 20.1%                      |
| Group          | R   | -10.1%                       | -21.4%                      | 22.46                  | 27.4%                         | 8.3%                         | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 17.8%                      |
| MIV            |   |                              |                             | 13.85                  |                               |                              | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 |                       | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 16.3%                      |
|                | Optional  | content -                    | Proposal                    | vs. Low                | /High-bitı                    | rate Anch                    | ors              |     |                         |                       |                   |                   |                            |
| Fencing        | L   |                              |                             | 15.45                  |                               |                              |                  | 83% | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 13.2%                      |
| Hall           | Т   |                              | 814.9%                      | 17.72                  | -46.7%                        | -43.1%                       |                  | 83% | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 17.1%                      |
| Street         | U   |                              | 491.0%                      | 9.57                   | 267.6%                        | 79.6%                        |                  | 83% | 0.89                    | 25                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 11.6%                      |
| ChessPieces    | Q   |                              |                             | 31.94                  |                               |                              | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 22.7%                      |
| Hijack         | С   |                              |                             | 22.34                  |                               |                              | #VAL             | UE! | #VALUE!                 | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 46.0%                      |
| Mirror         | 1   | 50.8%                        | 19.4%                       | 14.38                  | 28.4%                         | 9.5%                         | 1                | 00% | 1.07                    | 30                    | 100.0%            | 100.0%            | 16.9%                      |

#### Comments:

 The runtimes for decoding are much lower (8 times faster than in the G17 anchor) due to even more decreased number of depth levels and superpixels in each view during the depth estimation. Moreover, twice as many threads are used by IVDE.

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#VALUE! #VALUE!

100.0% 100.0% 21.2%

 The objective quality is lower in most sequences. However, when compared with A17, such configuration is still competitive for many sequences and the decoding time becomes even closer to the MIV anchor (4.5 times longer decoding with 100 times faster encoding):

|                | Mandatory | content   | - Proposa | trate Anc | 10r        | 'S      |     |        | Runt    | ime rati | o (%)    |          |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------|-----|--------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Sequence       |           | High-BR   | Low-BR    | Max       | High-BR    | Low-BR  |     | Pixel  | Pixel   | Frame    | Atlas    | Video    | Decoding  |
|                |           | BD rate   | BD rate   | delta     | BD rate    | BD rate |     | rate   | rate    | rate     | encoding | encoding | &         |
|                |           | Y-PSNR    | Y-PSNR    | Y-PSNR    | IV-PSNR    | IV-PSNR | L   | [%]    | [GP/s]  | [Hz]     |          |          | Rendering |
| ClassroomVideo | Α         |           | 150.4%    | 6.41      | 196.8%     | -14.0%  |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 0.4%     | 110.4%   | 166.2%    |
| Museum         | В         |           |           | 9.55      | 86.1%      | -4.0%   | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30       | 0.3%     | 72.0%    | 222.8%    |
| Fan            | 0         |           | -88.3%    | 11.28     | -62.7%     | -75.3%  |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 1.1%     | 91.4%    | 471.3%    |
| Kitchen        | J         |           | 43.4%     | 14.42     |            | 51.3%   | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30       | 0.8%     | 87.2%    | 601.8%    |
| Painter        | D         | -47.6%    | -56.9%    | 9.81      | -36.4%     | -50.5%  |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 1.2%     | 87.3%    | 571.2%    |
| Frog           | Е         | -68.4%    | -61.9%    | 7.89      | -49.0%     | -53.1%  |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 1.4%     | 99.8%    | 606.9%    |
| Carpark        | Р         | 88.5%     | 35.0%     | 11.75     | 54.8%      | 16.5%   | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 25       | 1.7%     | 138.7%   | 388.5%    |
| Chess          | N         |           |           | 31.07     |            |         | Г   | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 0.7%     | 75.3%    | 418.1%    |
| Group          | R         |           |           | 22.46     |            |         |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 0.7%     | 85.5%    | 594.4%    |
| MIV            |           |           |           | 13.85     |            |         | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! |          | 0.9%     | 94.2%    | 449.0%    |
| •              | Ontional  |           | Duamasal  |           | /11:-b bis |         |     |        |         |          |          |          |           |
|                | Optional  | content - |           |           |            |         | ors |        |         |          |          |          |           |
| Fencing        | L         |           | 24.0%     | 15.45     | 227.7%     | 8.4%    |     | 83%    | 0.89    | 25       | 1.2%     | 150.0%   | 356.7%    |
| Hall           | T         |           | 585.5%    | 17.72     |            | 610.1%  |     | 83%    | 0.89    | 25       | 1.9%     | 186.3%   | 327.5%    |
| Street         | U         | 306.9%    | 70.5%     | 9.57      | 66.1%      | 13.8%   |     | 83%    | 0.89    | 25       | 2.0%     | 127.1%   | 358.5%    |
| ChessPieces    | Q         |           |           | 31.94     |            |         | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30       | 0.5%     | 62.0%    | 455.0%    |
| Hijack         | С         |           |           | 22.34     |            |         | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! | 30       | 0.8%     | 83.4%    | 242.4%    |
| Mirror         | I         | -0.2%     | -39.8%    | 14.38     | 28.2%      | -34.8%  |     | 100%   | 1.07    | 30       | 1.5%     | 111.0%   | 543.4%    |
| MIV            |           |           |           | 18.57     |            |         | #   | VALUE! | #VALUE! |          | 1.3%     | 119.9%   | 380.6%    |

#### 3 Posetraces

P01 posetraces for QP1 and QP5 were uploaded to MPEG content server. For all sequences we provide:

- A17 anchor,
- G17 anchor,
- G17 from section 2.2.1 (2\_cycles in the filenames),
- G17 from section 2.2.2 (25k\_128 in the filenames),
- G17 from section 2.2.3 (12k\_64 in the filenames).

Other posetraces are available upon request.

#### 4 Recommendations

It is recommended to discuss the possibility of updating the configuration of IVDE in G17 anchor with one of the proposed configurations.

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