



# Tools for Creating Next-Gen Computer Vision Apps on Snapdragon

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# Computer Vision in Snapdragon

Three function levels to provide comprehensive CV solutions



1

CV hardware  
Acceleration blocks to support and enable hardware, software and system designs in Snapdragon platforms

2

CV Algorithms to demonstrate complete workflows that provide state-of-the-art solutions to certain perception problems

3

CV end-to-end Applications in mobile, XR, Automotive and IOT market segments to enable unique and enhanced user experiences

# Engine for Visual Analytics (EVA): Computer Vision Hardware Blocks



Object/Face Detection	Optical Flow	Depth Estimation	Feature Extraction	Geometry Correction	XR & 3DR	
Object Detection HOG/SVM 	Semi-dense OF GMO for video encode 	DFS 1080p@30 Video Bokeh 	Feature – video encode with 30% BR reduction HCD/NCC 	Lens Distortion Correction 		EVA1.x
ACF/RDF Face Detection 			HCD/ORB – Centralized ME for camera 	Exposure Compensation 		EVA2.x
	Dense OF (SGM based) Dense motion map for multi-frame processing, sensor alignment 	DFS (SGM based) • Bokeh better quality • Visual special effect • XR 3D reconstruction 	Flow improvement for XR 6DoF/VIO 	Motion and depth map warping LSR (in EVAa 3.5) 	XRA - DoH,DoG FREAK, R-BRIEF (In EVAa/EVAv 3.5) 	EVA3.x

Mobile Camera / Video  
 Video  
 XR  
 Auto  
 IoT

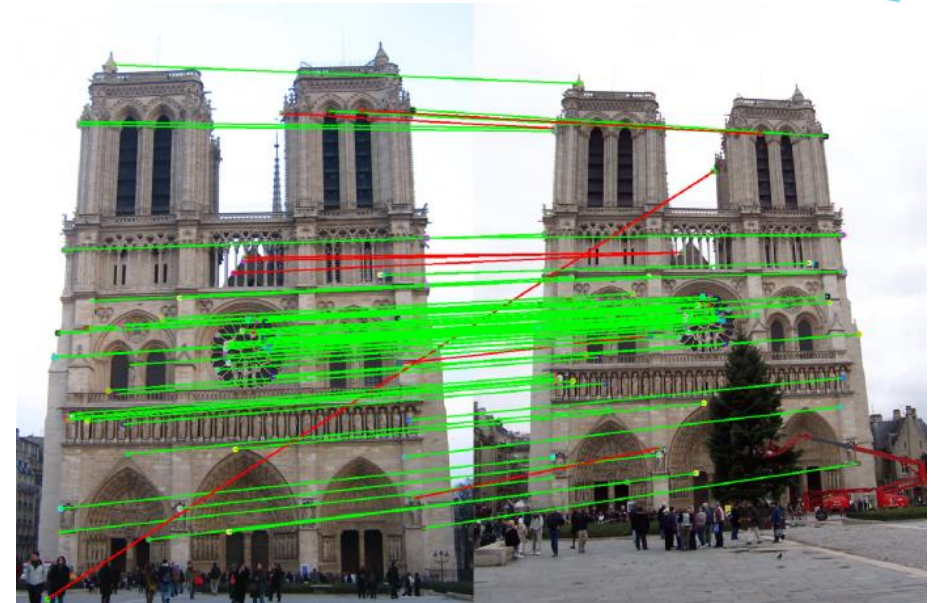
## Sparse Motion

- Feature Point Detection, Local and Global Motion
- Various Detector and Descriptors (Harris, DoH, DoG, FREAK)

## Dense Motion

- Semi-dense Optical Flow (sDOF)
- Dense Optical Flow (DOF)
- Hybrid Deep Learning based Motion + OF Segmentation Enhanced

	Semi-Dense OF	Dense OF
Motion Density	Every 2x2 block	Every pixel
Motion Accuracy	1/8 pixel	1/16 pixel
Motion Range (X,Y)	$\pm 128, \pm 64$	$\pm 64, \pm 32$
Max Resolution	1920x1080	1152x648
Confidence Map	8-bit	8-bit
Frames per Second	60	60



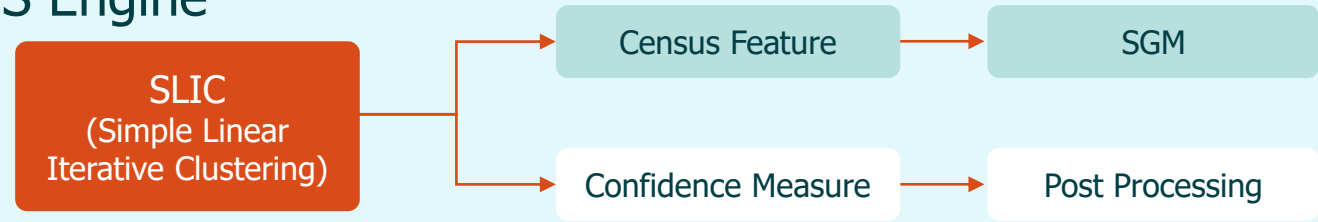
# Depth from Stereo Estimation



## Depth from Stereo (DFS)

- Super-pixel Segmentation on SLIC
- Feature Extraction and Matching
- Confidence Map and Post Processing

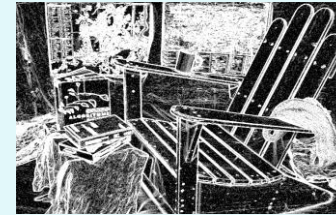
### DFS Engine



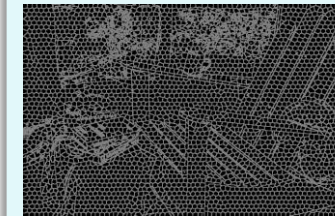
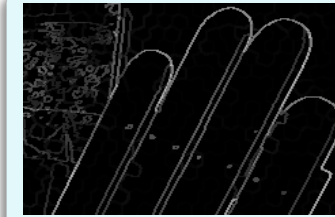
Depth Density	Every pixel
Disparity Accuracy	1/16 pixel
Disparity Level	[0,63]
Max Resolution	720P@60FPS



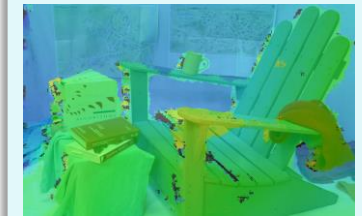
Input Images



Flat Area Detection



SLIC Map



Depth Map



# Geometric Correction Engine (GCE)



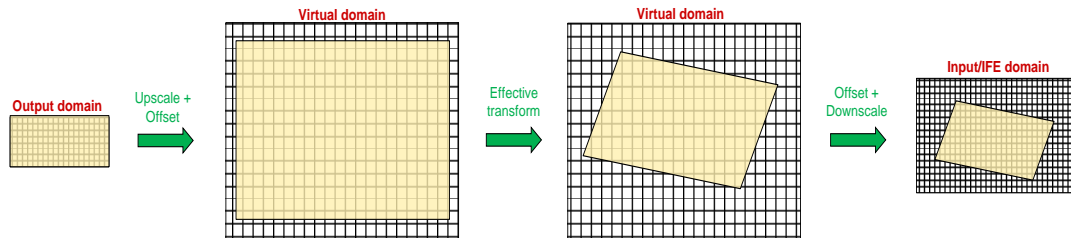
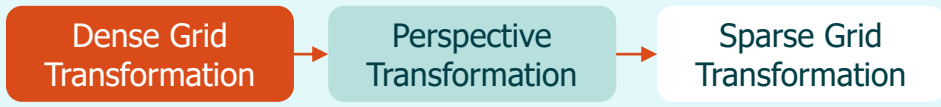
## Low-power High-quality Warping

- ICA maps output pixels to input pixels

## Effective Transformation

- Sparse grid transformation (35x27 or 67x51)
- Dense grid transformation ( 8 pixel grid )
- Perspective transformation (3x3 transform)

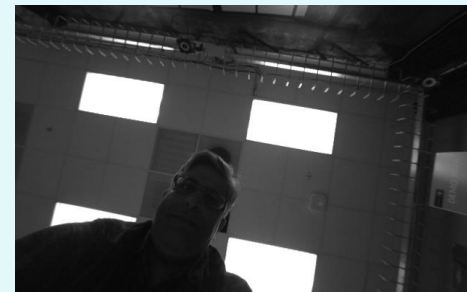
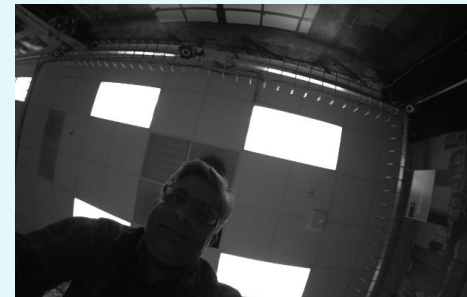
## Effective Transform



## GCE Use Cases

- Lens distortion correction
- Motion vector grid composition
- Rectification

Lens Distortion Correction



Rectification

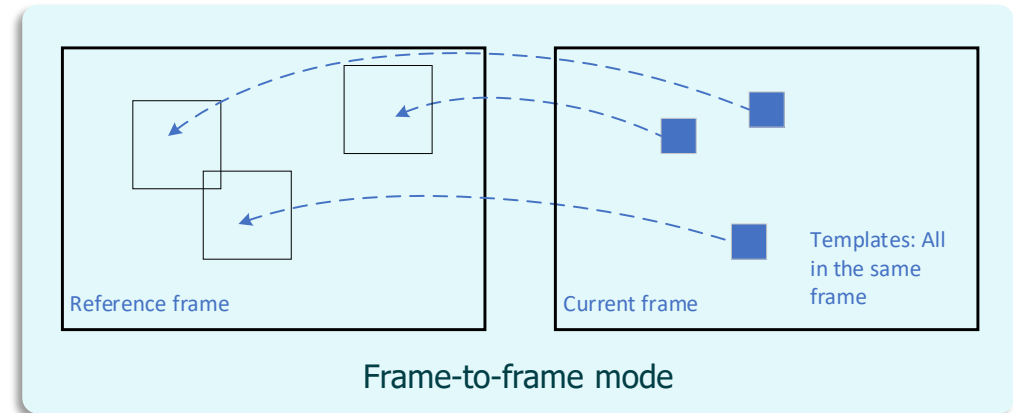
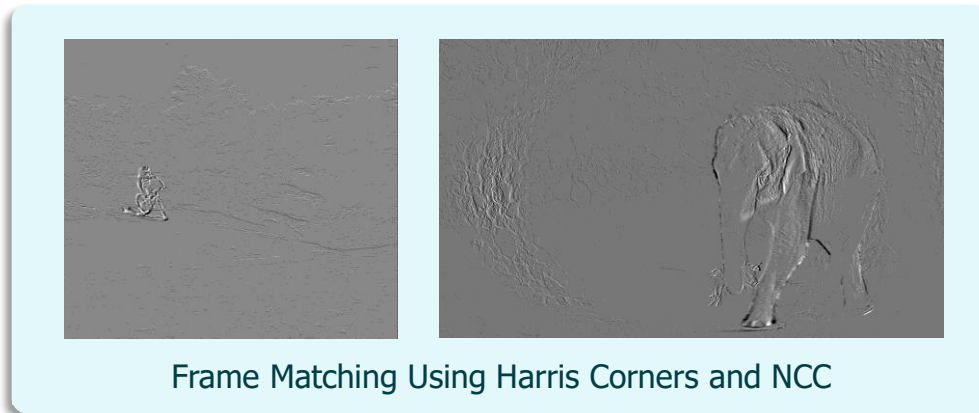
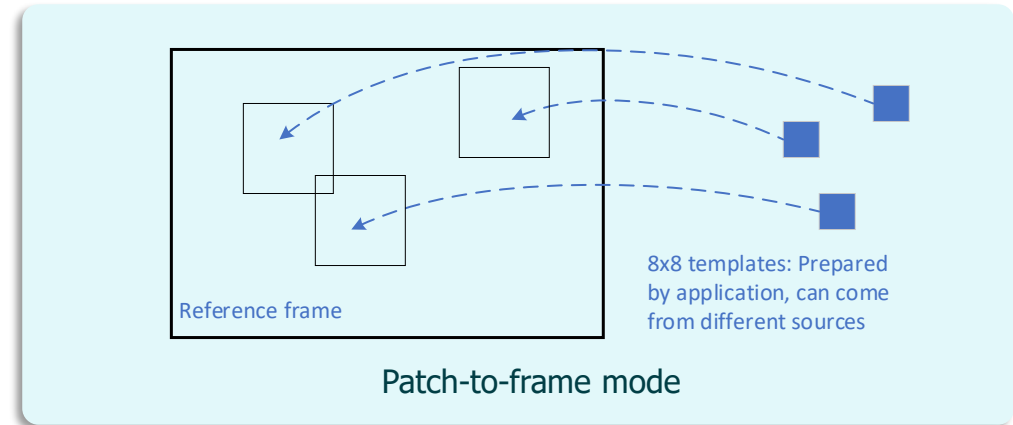
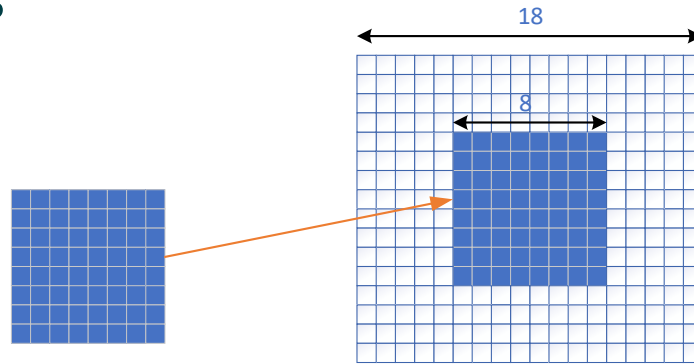


# Normalized Cross Correlation



## NCC Supports Two Modes

- Patch to Frame Mode
- Frame to Frame Mode

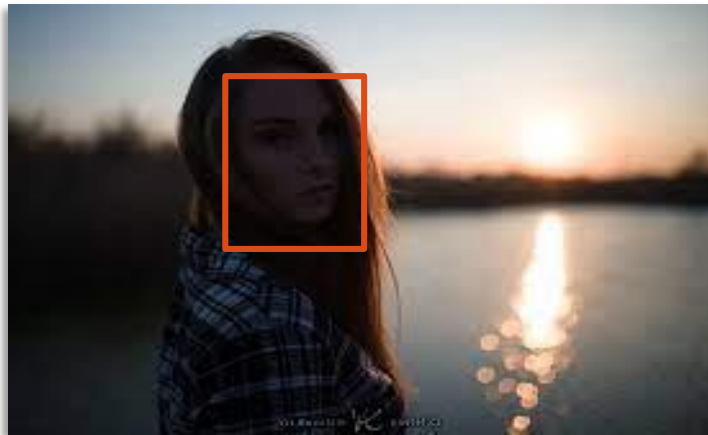


## Deep Learning based Face Detection (FD)

- Min Face Size: 32x32
- Detection Accuracy: 95%
- 1080p@60FPS
- Multiple cameras supported

## Under Non-Ideal Conditions

- Strong Backlight
- Full Profile
- Occlusions – Face Masks, Hats, Glasses, Sunglasses



Strong Backlight



Full Profile



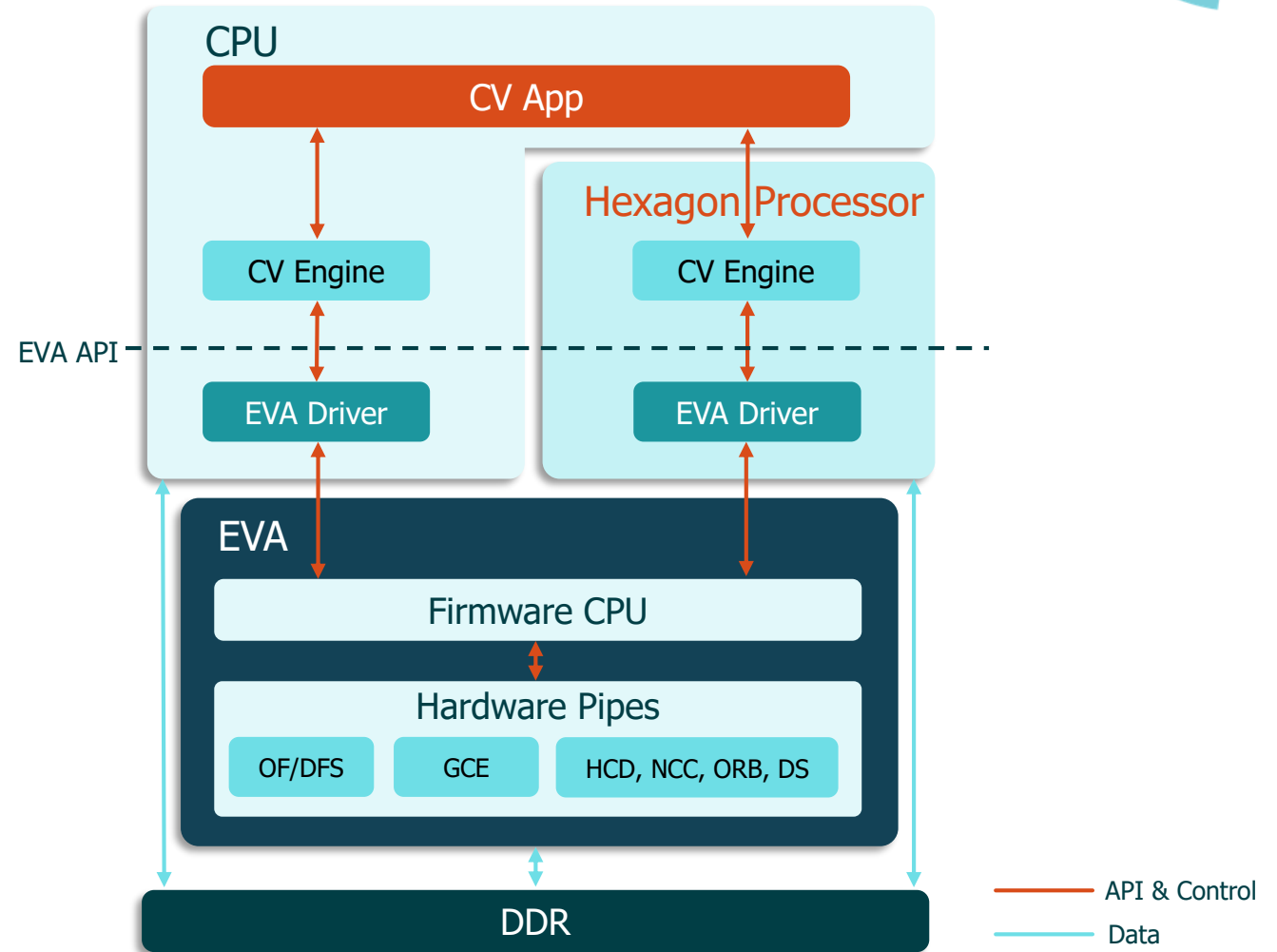
Occlusions



# EVA Architecture and Access



- The EVA APIs are exposed both from the CPU and Hexagon Processor sides
- It includes both synchronous APIs and asynchronous APIs
- There are direct interrupts between the Hexagon Processor and EVA cores for low latency communication
- EVA includes embedded CPU primarily for task scheduling and hardware pipes
- EVA hardware pipes are shared between certain functions



# EVA Feature APIs



EVA3.0 Features	EVA API
Image Warping	evaWarp_Sync / evaWarp_Async
Depth from Stereo (DFS)	evaDfs_Sync / evaDfs_Async
Normalized Cross Correlation (NCC)	evaNccFrame_Sync / evaNccFrame_Async
Optical Flow (OF)	evaOF_Sync / evaOF_Async
Feature Extraction (HCD)	evaFeaturePoint_Sync / evaFeaturePoint_Async
Feature Descriptor Calc & Matching	evaDcm_Sync / evaDcm_Async
Downscaler	evaScaledown_Sync / evaScaledown_Async
Pyramid Image	evaPyramidImage_Sync / evaPyramidImage_Async

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EVA SCODE INFO    ] Query and populate init configuration parameters.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Query and populate frame configuration parameters.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Create EVA session.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Initialize feature handle.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Load input data.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Allocate memory for output buffers.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Start EVA session.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Execute feature sync mode.
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Compare output with ground truth.
-1;32m[EVA SCODE SUCCESS]+[0m Output matches ground truth
EVA SCODE INFO    ] Deallocate buffers and terminate EVA session.
-1;32m[EVA SCODE SUCCESS]+[0m Sample code finished execution successfully.

C:\Workspace\Release\Snap\EVA-Mobile-3.0.6\build\scode\Release>
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operable program or batch file.

C:\Workspace\Release\Snap\EVA-Mobile-3.0.6\build\scode\Release>.\eva_scode.exe --help
Reset XML Parameter tree in Memory:
Usage
    .\eva_scode.exe [options]

Options
    --feat=<eva-feature-string>
    --mode=<feature-mode-number>
    --data=<path-to-data-folder>
    --help

Features
DCM      : Descriptor Calculation and Matching
          Modes - 1 (EVA_DCM_CAL) / 2 (EVA_DCM_CAL_MATCH)
DFS      : Depth From Stereo
DS       : Scaledown
FPX      : Feature Point Extraction
          Modes - 1 (EVA_FPX_PEAK_8x8) / 2 (EVA_FPX_ZONE)
NCC      : Normalized Cross Correlation
          Modes - 1 (EVA_NCC_PATCH_MODE) / 2 (EVA_NCC_FRAME_MODE)
WNCC     : Warped Normalized Cross Correlation
          Modes - 1 (EVA_WNCC_MONO_MODE) / 2 (EVA_WNCC_STEREO_MODE)
OF       : Optical Flow
PYRFPX  : Pyramid Image and Feature Point Extraction
PYRIMG  : Pyramid Image
WARP    : Image Warping
          Modes - 1 (PERSPECTIVE) / 2 (GRID) / 3 (LMC)
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## Applications

- Accurate Camera/Video Bokeh effect
- Background replacement in video recording or Zoom call
- AR/VR  
(3D Reconstruction, Video Passthrough, Occlusion)

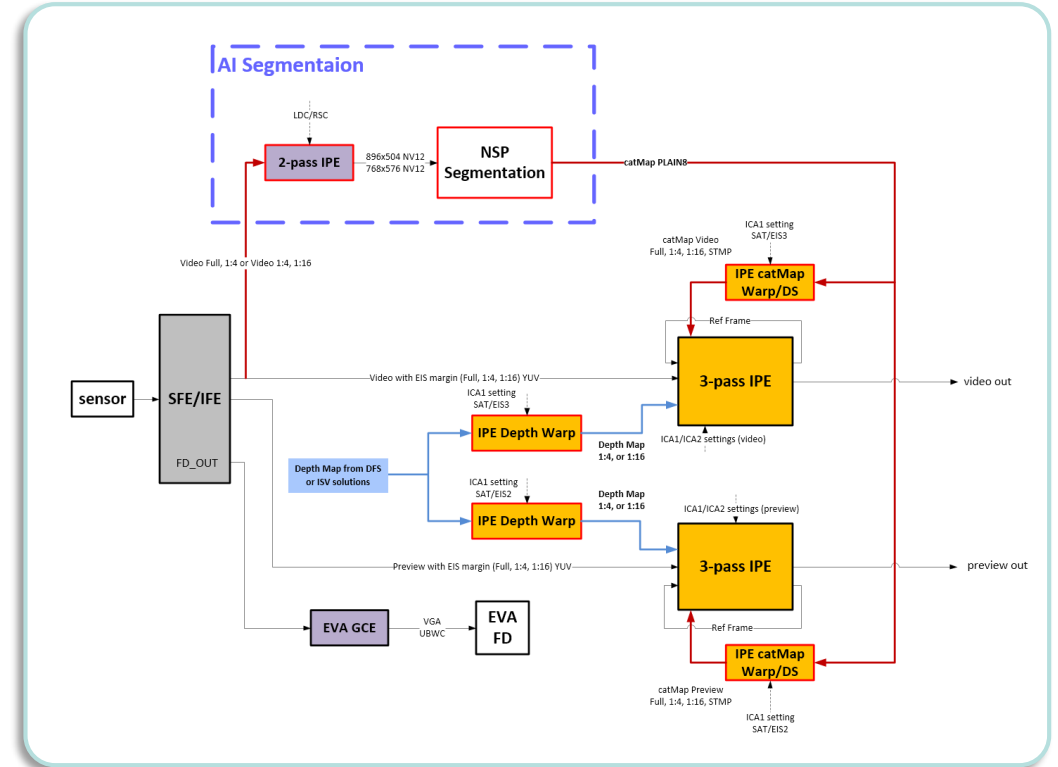


# Real Time Bokeh Effect using Depth Map from Stereo Cameras (DFS)



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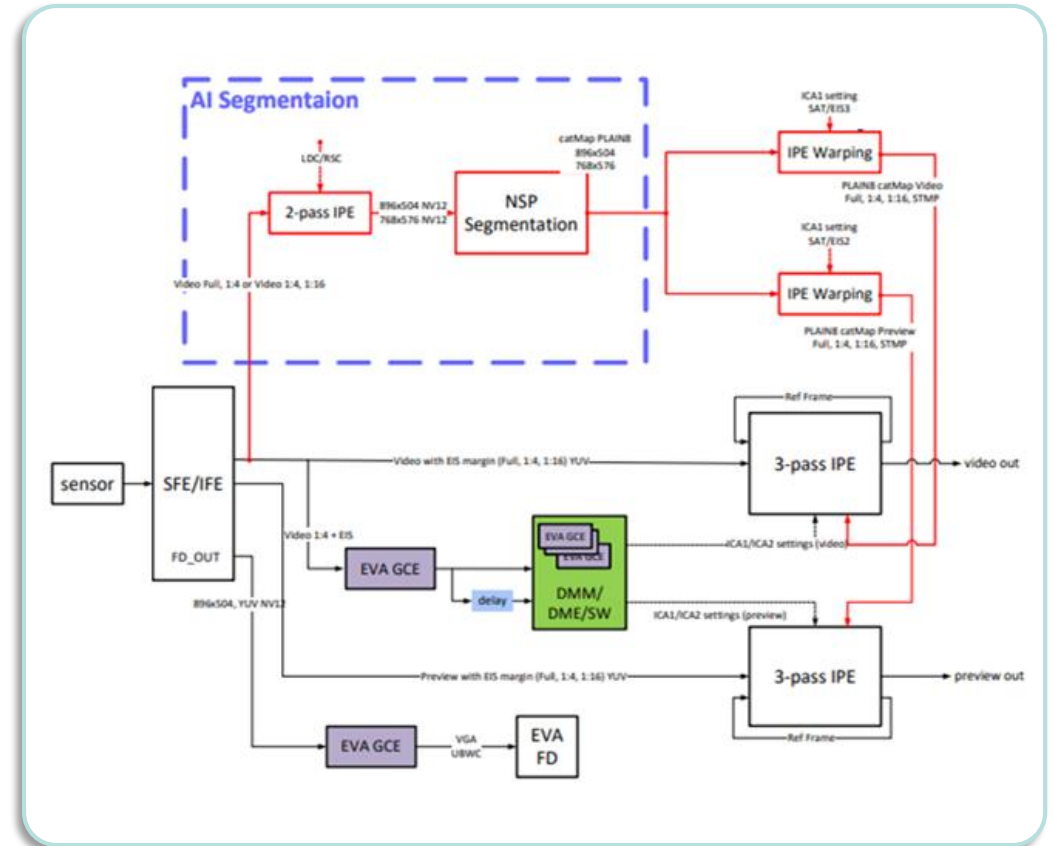
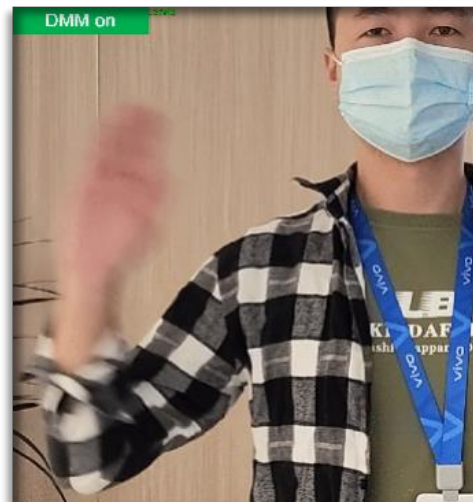
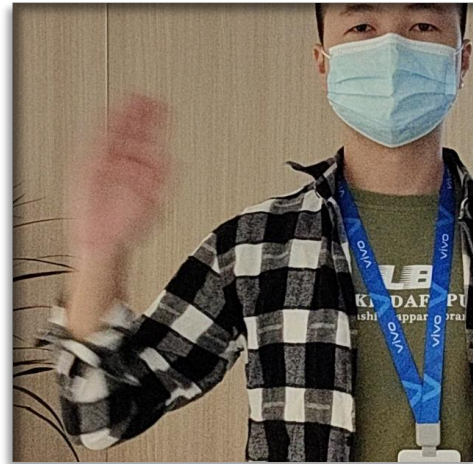
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## Key Benefits of EVA

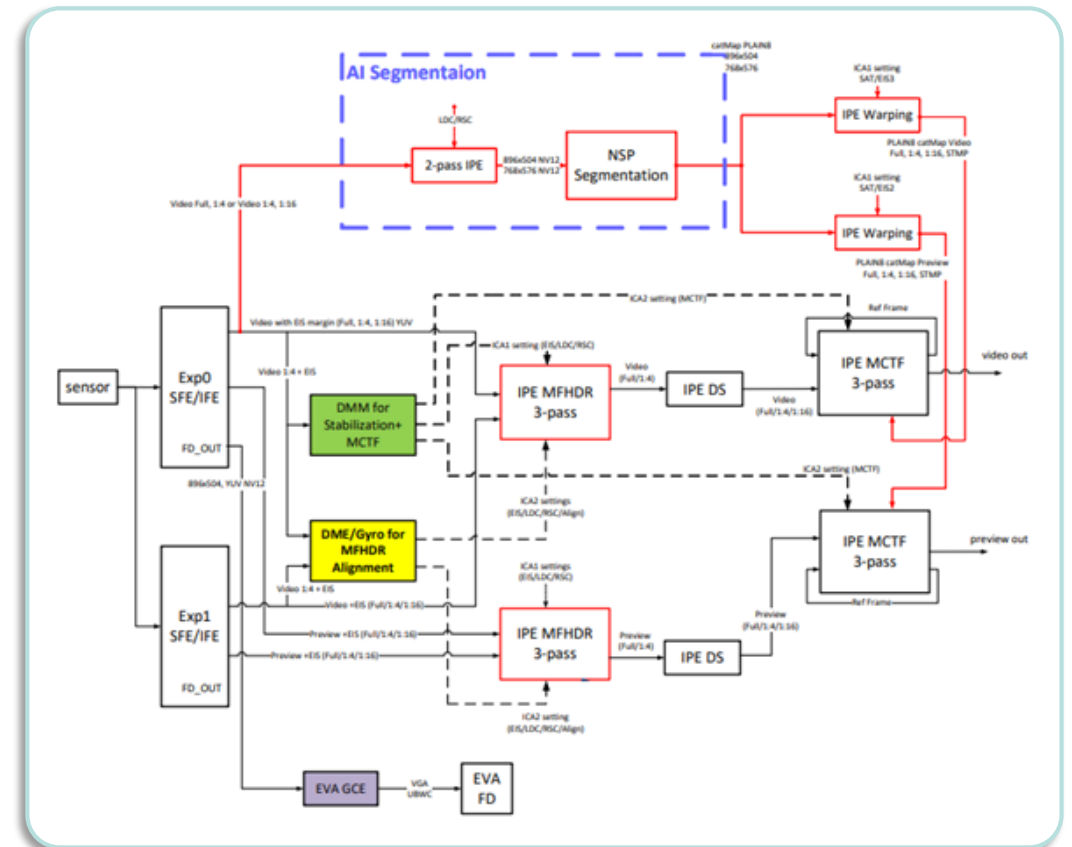
- Register multiple frames with local motion compensated
- Remove ghosting artifacts in combined video frames





## Key Benefits of EVA

- Estimating and compensating for motion is key to achieve high quality HDR video
- Remove ghosting artifacts in combined video frames
- Running global motion and local motion estimation simultaneously requires large amount of computation power

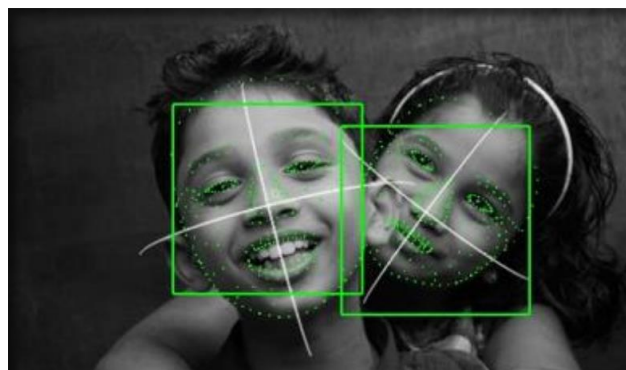


# Face Detection (FD) and Face Landmark Detection (FLD)



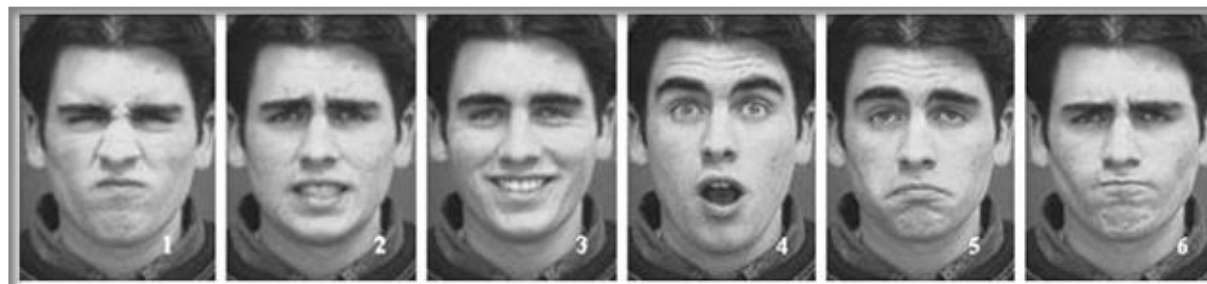
## Applications

- Gender/Expression/Emotion/Gaze detection
- Avatar animation
- Geometric personalization

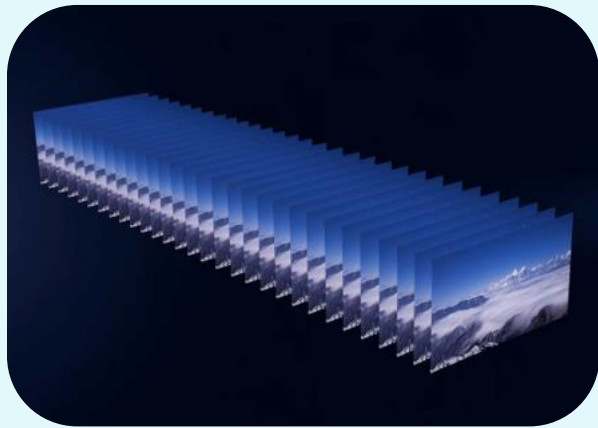


Qualcomm Deep Learning-based 3D face landmark detection reaches high accuracy in locating

**115 or 300 facial landmarks**



# Start Developing on Snapdragon



Capture at higher FPS



Extend battery life



Tap into hardware-accelerated CV features with an SDK not previously available

# Start Developing on Snapdragon



For access to the SDK contact:

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