LEGO car course topics

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- Constructing 3D scene using only one camera (a video).
- Existing work with open source code - cuda parallel code.
- Real-time.
Topic 3: REMODE: Probabilistic, Monocular Dense Reconstruction in Real Time by OpenCL

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Why this topic

- Very useful, applicable in many situations.
  1. Using cellphone to construct the 3D object.
  2. 3D printer.
  3. Low cost.
- The autonomous car needs such technique to know the distance between itself and the front object.
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