

Supplementary Material

BALF: Simple and Efficient Blur Aware Local Feature Detector

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1. Architecture Details

The detailed specifications of our proposed network architecture for implementation are shown in Tab. 1. We also specify the input and output size of each block and layer. Here MLP_3_32 means channel MLP block with 3 input and 32 output channels respectively. MAB denotes multi-axis gated MLP block [23], and RMAB is our proposed residual MLP attention block.

Stage	Input size	Output size	Layers/Blocks
1	$256^2 \times 3$	$256^2 \times 32$	{ MLP_3_32 ReLU
1	$256^2 \times 32$	$256^2 \times 32$	{ MAB RMAB
1	$256^2 \times 32$	$128^2 \times 32$	{ Pooling
2	$128^2 \times 32$	$128^2 \times 64$	{ MLP_32_64 ReLU
2	$128^2 \times 64$	$128^2 \times 64$	{ MAB RMAB
2	$128^2 \times 64$	$64^2 \times 64$	{ Pooling
3	$64^2 \times 64$	$64^2 \times 128$	{ MLP_64_128 ReLU
3	$64^2 \times 128$	$64^2 \times 128$	{ MAB RMAB
3	$64^2 \times 128$	$32^2 \times 128$	{ Pooling
4	$32^2 \times 128$	$32^2 \times 256$	{ MLP_128_256 ReLU
5	$32^2 \times 256$	$32^2 \times 64$	{ MLP_256_64 BatchNorm
6	$32^2 \times 64$	$256^2 \times 1$	{ Channel-wise softmax Reshape

Table 1. **Detailed architecture specifications of BALF framework.** Stage 1-3 denote MLP-based encoder, while stage 4-6 correspond detection module in our proposed BALF framework.

2. Additional Ablation Study

Number of MLPCoder block. Towards understanding the BALF framework, we scaled up our architecture in terms

of the number of MLPCoder. Tab. 2 suggests that using more than three MLPCoder blocks does not significantly improve the detection performance, but increases the number of parameters and computational cost. We thus use 3 MLPCoder blocks in our experiments to yield the performance and complexity tradeoff.

Num. MLPCoder block	Repeatability \uparrow	Params \downarrow	Inference time \downarrow
1	63.60%	23K	6.89ms
2	66.82%	111K	12.54ms
3	75.15%	381K	29.02ms
4	78.27%	1396K	112.20ms

Table 2. **Number of MLPCoder block.** The inference time here is the runtime of keypoint extraction at a VGA resolution image (*i.e.* 480×640 pixels).

Different architectures. We also re-train some classical architectures like ResNet-18 [7], VGG-16 [21], and U-Net [18] with the proposed detection module and loss function. Tab. 3 presents the performance of different architectures. Since the memory required by ViT [5] exceeds NVIDIA Geforce 2080 Ti, we did not re-train ViT in this ablation. The results demonstrate that our proposed MLP-based encoder achieves superior repeatability performance compared to these classical architectures.

Variant	Repeatability \uparrow	Params \downarrow	Inference time \downarrow
ResNet-18 [7]	67.90%	746K	55.12ms
VGG-16 [21]	68.52%	338K	5.25ms
U-Net [18]	67.90%	315K	3.10ms
MLP-based encoder (proposed)	75.15%	381K	29.02ms

Table 3. **Different architectures.** The performance of different network architectures on the GoPro testing dataset.

3. Complete Quantitative Results

Due to limited space in the main paper, we only present the total repeatability performance in the evaluations with

blur and deblur data. We thus show the complete quantitative evaluation results here.

Evaluation with the Blur-HPatches dataset. Tabs. 4 and 5 present the average repeatability score on the viewpoint changes, illumination changes and all image sequences together with three varying levels of motion blur under blur-to-sharp and blur-to-blur configurations respectively.

Evaluation with the Blur-HPatches dataset preprocessed by deblurring network. Tabs. 6 to 9 present the complete repeatability results among all other methods on deblurred images and ours on corresponding blurred images.

4. More Qualitative Results

Detection. Figs. 1 and 2 present detection qualitative results on blurred images from RWBI dataset [25], which are captured by real cameras. It demonstrates that our network cannot only detect well distributed salient keypoints from sharp images, but also being able to detect well localized keypoints from blurred images.

Matching. To further demonstrate the performance of our method on the real blurred images, we randomly select a paired sharp and blurred images, and another sharp image (with viewpoint changes) from RealBlur dataset [17] for feature matching evaluation. Specifically, we first run our detector on the paired sharp and blurred images, and extract the correspondences between them by a pre-defined range, such as those within a circle. We then compute the correspondences between those two sharp images (with viewpoint changes), using HardNet descriptor [13] and FLANN [14] matching. Finally, we can establish the correspondences between the blurred and the second sharp images via the above two sets of correspondences. Fig. 3 demonstrates that our method can detect well localized and repeatable keypoints from both sharp and blurred images for further image matching.

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Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	50.64	61.39	55.92	51.55	62.23	56.80	47.36	59.83	53.49
SURF [3]	55.77	62.09	58.88	50.98	61.66	56.23	49.36	<u>63.37</u>	56.24
Harris-Laplace [12]	16.17	57.65	36.70	17.46	58.77	37.97	18.43	51.70	34.98
Shi-Tomasi [20]	57.33	57.33	57.33	55.18	55.05	55.11	48.13	50.12	49.11
MSER [11]	43.27	45.15	44.19	40.43	43.57	41.97	34.56	39.62	37.05
KAZE [1]	46.76	53.15	49.90	43.30	50.48	46.84	34.64	45.47	39.98
AKAZE [2]	46.57	62.00	54.15	42.46	58.94	50.51	33.64	57.90	45.49
FAST [19]	60.89	63.10	61.98	61.01	62.56	61.77	47.93	54.93	51.37
LIFT [24]	46.47	55.06	50.69	45.71	54.78	50.17	42.13	52.02	46.99
Key.Net [9]	58.02	62.74	60.34	50.54	59.02	54.71	39.20	50.38	44.69
SuperPoint [4]	<u>66.06</u>	65.21	<u>65.64</u>	<u>61.96</u>	62.49	<u>62.22</u>	51.60	54.13	52.84
LF-Net [15]	59.57	<u>67.65</u>	63.54	57.64	<u>64.87</u>	61.19	<u>52.14</u>	61.57	<u>56.78</u>
D2-Net [6]	44.30	55.31	49.71	41.60	53.19	47.30	38.39	50.47	44.32
R2D2 [16]	55.10	60.99	57.99	47.37	56.25	51.73	33.46	47.92	40.57
BALF (ours)	72.58	75.74	74.12	72.93	76.07	74.45	67.26	76.54	71.84

Table 4. **Repeatability results (%) on Blur-HPatches dataset under blur-to-sharp configuration.** Our method achieves best performance compared to prior works on the viewpoint changes, illumination changes, and all image sequences together with three varying levels of motion blur.

Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	56.67	57.31	56.99	53.15	53.85	53.49	46.23	46.63	45.94
SURF [3]	58.46	63.80	61.08	55.61	60.55	58.04	49.92	57.41	53.60
Harris-Laplace [12]	17.09	54.82	35.76	15.08	29.06	31.95	11.44	43.79	27.47
Shi-Tomasi [20]	58.16	54.35	56.29	54.72	52.73	53.75	<u>51.61</u>	51.13	51.37
MSER [11]	41.11	42.53	41.81	37.21	39.30	38.24	32.63	36.61	34.59
KAZE [1]	<u>63.31</u>	63.27	63.29	58.66	58.76	58.71	45.94	47.88	46.90
AKAZE [2]	61.81	68.63	<u>65.16</u>	<u>59.28</u>	65.24	<u>62.20</u>	48.22	55.06	51.54
FAST [19]	57.81	57.87	57.84	52.70	54.03	53.35	49.70	52.62	51.17
LIFT [24]	46.08	50.69	48.34	43.74	49.51	46.57	42.87	50.31	46.53
Key.Net [9]	61.81	63.77	62.77	56.82	59.57	58.17	45.68	52.94	49.25
SuperPoint [4]	58.01	59.22	58.60	49.69	50.37	50.03	42.34	44.25	43.28
LF-Net [15]	52.45	<u>68.74</u>	60.45	51.20	<u>67.21</u>	59.07	49.68	<u>66.02</u>	<u>57.71</u>
D2-Net [6]	46.65	57.14	51.80	45.84	56.44	51.05	45.11	56.13	50.53
R2D2 [16]	54.10	61.00	57.49	51.87	58.87	55.31	40.88	53.05	46.86
BALF (ours)	69.44	71.56	70.48	67.13	70.22	68.43	65.90	69.60	67.71

Table 5. **Repeatability results (%) on Blur-HPatches dataset under blur-to-blur configuration.** Our method also achieves best performance compared to prior works on the viewpoint changes, illumination changes, and all image sequences together with three varying levels of motion blur.

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Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	53.98	59.35	56.62	52.44	58.38	55.36	47.95	59.92	53.83
SURF [3]	60.84	62.99	61.89	57.39	60.92	59.13	49.89	60.04	54.88
Harris-Laplace [12]	14.74	19.62	17.15	14.89	18.89	16.87	17.95	23.17	20.54
Shi-Tomasi [20]	61.05	60.05	60.56	57.12	56.61	56.87	47.63	49.96	48.78
MSER [11]	46.74	46.55	46.65	42.67	43.80	43.23	35.95	39.92	37.90
KAZE [1]	65.37	64.90	65.14	62.55	63.67	63.10	56.73	63.71	60.16
AKAZE [2]	63.21	68.94	66.03	60.39	<u>67.77</u>	64.02	53.45	<u>68.14</u>	60.64
FAST [19]	60.96	62.62	61.77	58.61	60.75	59.67	<u>58.67</u>	64.61	<u>61.60</u>
LIFT [24]	52.12	57.93	54.98	49.16	56.25	52.64	41.75	51.93	46.75
Key.Net [9]	62.86	63.72	63.28	56.37	59.71	58.01	42.08	52.30	47.10
SuperPoint [4]	<u>68.65</u>	66.76	<u>67.72</u>	<u>65.33</u>	62.73	<u>64.05</u>	54.18	56.37	55.26
LF-Net [15]	54.40	<u>70.31</u>	<u>62.22</u>	52.52	67.53	59.90	47.77	61.93	54.73
D2-Net [6]	46.72	57.08	51.81	44.30	54.87	49.49	40.00	52.07	45.94
R2D2 [16]	58.36	62.31	60.31	52.58	58.38	55.43	37.40	49.32	43.26
BALF (ours)	72.58	75.74	74.12	72.93	76.07	74.45	67.26	76.54	71.84

Table 6. Repeatability results (%) on deblurred images from SRN-DeblurNet [22] under deblur-to-sharp configuration. The bottom row shows the results of our method on the corresponding blurred images.

Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	60.31	59.16	59.75	57.98	58.27	58.13	48.56	52.78	50.63
SURF [3]	61.33	63.58	62.44	59.84	62.74	61.26	<u>51.76</u>	58.90	55.27
Harris-Laplace [12]	14.88	59.55	36.98	15.22	56.66	35.73	16.37	48.31	32.23
Shi-Tomasi [20]	66.13	60.13	63.18	63.75	58.78	61.03	51.13	50.63	50.88
MSER [11]	48.52	46.85	47.70	46.11	44.66	45.40	36.33	38.70	37.49
KAZE [1]	64.87	63.51	64.20	62.78	62.12	62.45	51.57	55.31	53.41
AKAZE [2]	63.35	68.15	65.71	61.30	66.96	<u>64.08</u>	51.55	60.85	56.10
FAST [19]	63.74	61.67	62.72	61.86	60.40	61.14	49.11	52.16	50.61
LIFT [24]	53.88	57.95	55.88	52.12	55.22	53.64	42.85	47.87	45.31
Key.Net [9]	62.71	63.01	62.86	59.69	61.22	60.44	46.57	55.06	50.74
SuperPoint [4]	<u>67.77</u>	64.93	<u>66.38</u>	<u>64.61</u>	61.67	63.16	49.04	50.02	49.52
LF-Net [15]	55.36	<u>71.03</u>	63.06	54.60	<u>69.72</u>	62.03	49.17	<u>65.68</u>	<u>57.28</u>
D2-Net [6]	49.05	58.32	53.60	48.58	57.57	53.00	45.70	56.33	50.93
R2D2 [16]	55.71	60.60	58.11	52.30	57.38	54.80	40.83	50.88	45.77
BALF (ours)	69.44	71.56	70.48	67.13	70.22	68.43	65.90	69.60	67.71

Table 7. Repeatability results (%) on deblurred images from SRN-DeblurNet [22] under deblur-to-deblur configuration. The bottom row shows the results of our method on the corresponding blurred images.

Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	56.28	59.03	57.63	54.02	59.10	56.52	51.29	61.88	56.50
SURF [3]	60.98	62.99	61.97	57.28	61.93	59.57	51.48	61.38	56.34
Harris-Laplace [12]	14.08	19.35	16.69	14.75	19.10	16.90	17.84	22.69	20.24
Shi-Tomasi [20]	62.98	60.50	61.75	59.32	58.88	59.10	51.29	51.83	51.56
MSER [11]	47.98	47.25	47.62	44.90	45.40	45.14	40.12	41.30	40.70
KAZE [1]	65.42	65.04	65.23	62.27	64.12	63.18	<u>58.62</u>	64.27	61.41
AKAZE [2]	63.63	69.04	66.29	60.44	<u>68.72</u>	64.50	56.07	<u>69.65</u>	<u>62.72</u>
FAST [19]	61.89	62.12	62.00	59.41	61.51	60.44	57.01	60.53	58.74
LIFT [24]	54.88	58.37	56.59	50.94	56.24	53.54	45.60	52.70	49.09
Key.Net [9]	63.78	64.20	63.99	57.46	60.91	59.16	44.92	53.92	49.35
SuperPoint [4]	<u>68.85</u>	67.02	<u>67.95</u>	<u>66.83</u>	64.84	<u>65.86</u>	57.37	59.10	58.22
LF-Net [15]	55.01	<u>70.43</u>	62.59	53.03	67.70	60.24	47.73	62.14	54.81
D2-Net [6]	47.68	<u>57.77</u>	52.64	44.96	55.64	50.21	40.17	51.80	45.88
R2D2 [16]	58.60	62.38	60.46	52.72	58.74	55.68	40.55	50.38	45.38
BALF (ours)	72.58	75.74	74.12	72.93	76.07	74.45	67.26	76.54	71.84

Table 8. Repeatability results (%) on deblurred images from DeblurGAN-v2 [8] under deblur-to-sharp configuration. The bottom row shows the results of our method on the corresponding blurred images.

Method	EASY			HARD			TOUGH		
	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow	Viewpoint \uparrow	Illumination \uparrow	Total \uparrow
SIFT [10]	59.17	59.73	59.44	57.33	58.66	57.98	50.12	52.33	51.21
SURF [3]	60.57	63.63	62.07	58.95	62.74	60.81	51.82	58.47	55.09
Harris-Laplace [12]	14.49	60.16	37.09	14.73	57.67	35.97	15.02	48.35	31.54
Shi-Tomasi [20]	66.02	61.05	63.58	64.08	59.62	61.89	54.59	52.90	53.76
MSER [11]	48.43	47.23	47.84	45.93	45.18	45.56	37.45	38.59	38.01
KAZE [1]	64.77	63.47	64.13	61.92	61.82	61.87	52.93	55.48	54.19
AKAZE [2]	63.62	67.94	65.75	61.03	66.57	<u>63.75</u>	53.93	60.90	57.35
FAST [19]	63.86	62.92	63.40	62.16	61.23	61.70	<u>54.60</u>	56.30	55.43
LIFT [24]	54.44	58.99	56.68	53.01	57.70	55.31	46.95	54.05	50.44
Key.Net [9]	62.38	63.08	62.73	59.39	61.81	60.58	49.12	56.93	52.96
SuperPoint [4]	<u>67.49</u>	65.49	<u>66.50</u>	<u>64.89</u>	62.48	63.71	51.85	52.35	52.09
LF-Net [15]	55.57	<u>70.69</u>	63.00	54.58	<u>69.25</u>	61.79	50.48	<u>65.49</u>	<u>57.85</u>
D2-Net [6]	49.40	58.62	53.93	48.65	58.08	53.29	45.69	55.97	50.74
R2D2 [16]	55.66	60.33	57.95	52.31	57.84	55.03	43.12	52.76	47.86
BALF (ours)	69.44	71.56	70.48	67.13	70.22	68.43	65.90	69.60	67.71

Table 9. Repeatability results (%) on deblurred images from DeblurGAN-v2 [8] under deblur-to-deblur configuration. The bottom row shows the results of our method on the corresponding blurred images.



Figure 1. **Qualitative results for keypoint detection on RWBI dataset [25].** Our method generates more accurate and consistent keypoints. Best view in high resolution.

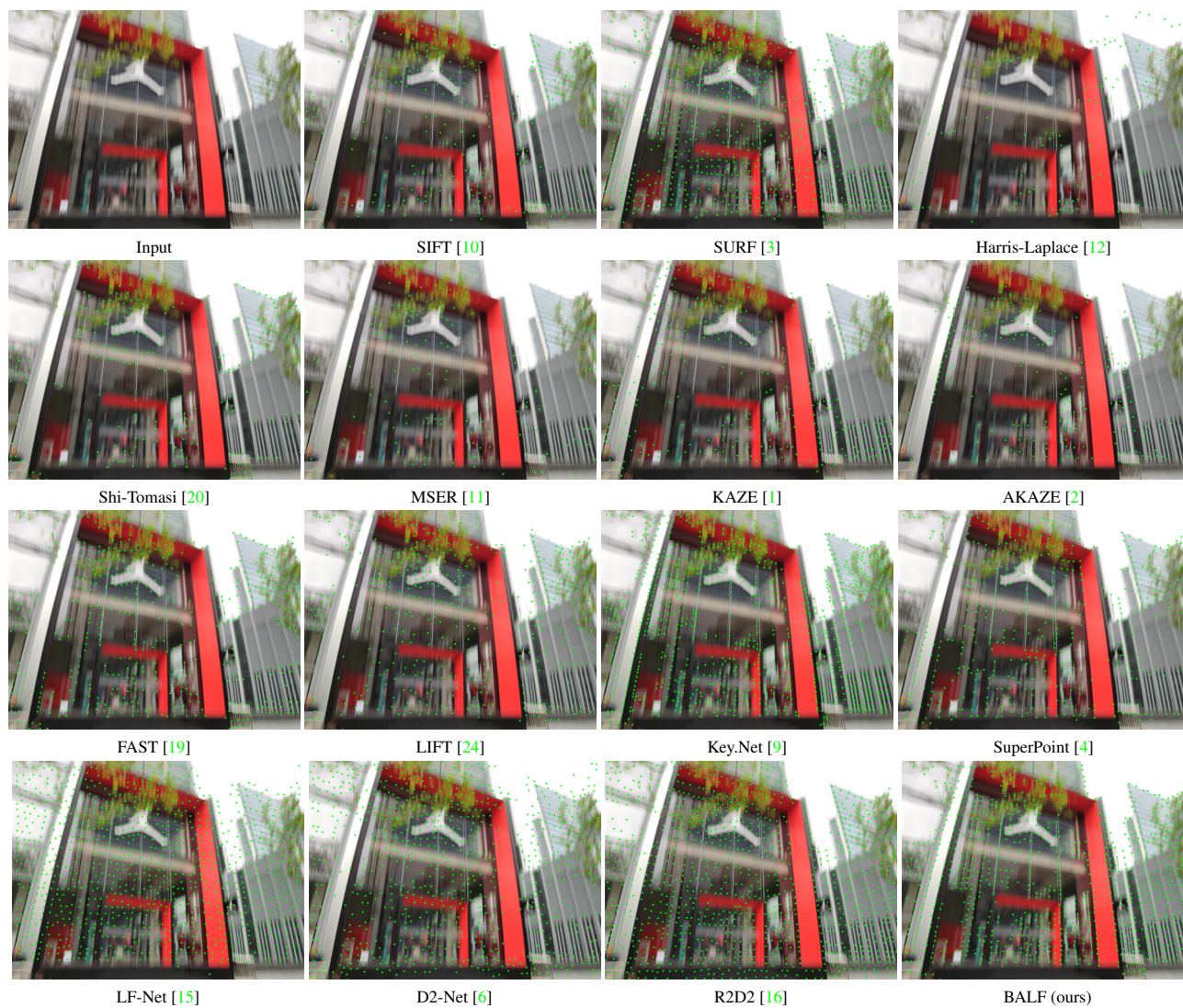


Figure 2. **Qualitative results for keypoint detection on RWBI dataset [25].** Our method generates more accurate and consistent keypoints. Best view in high resolution.

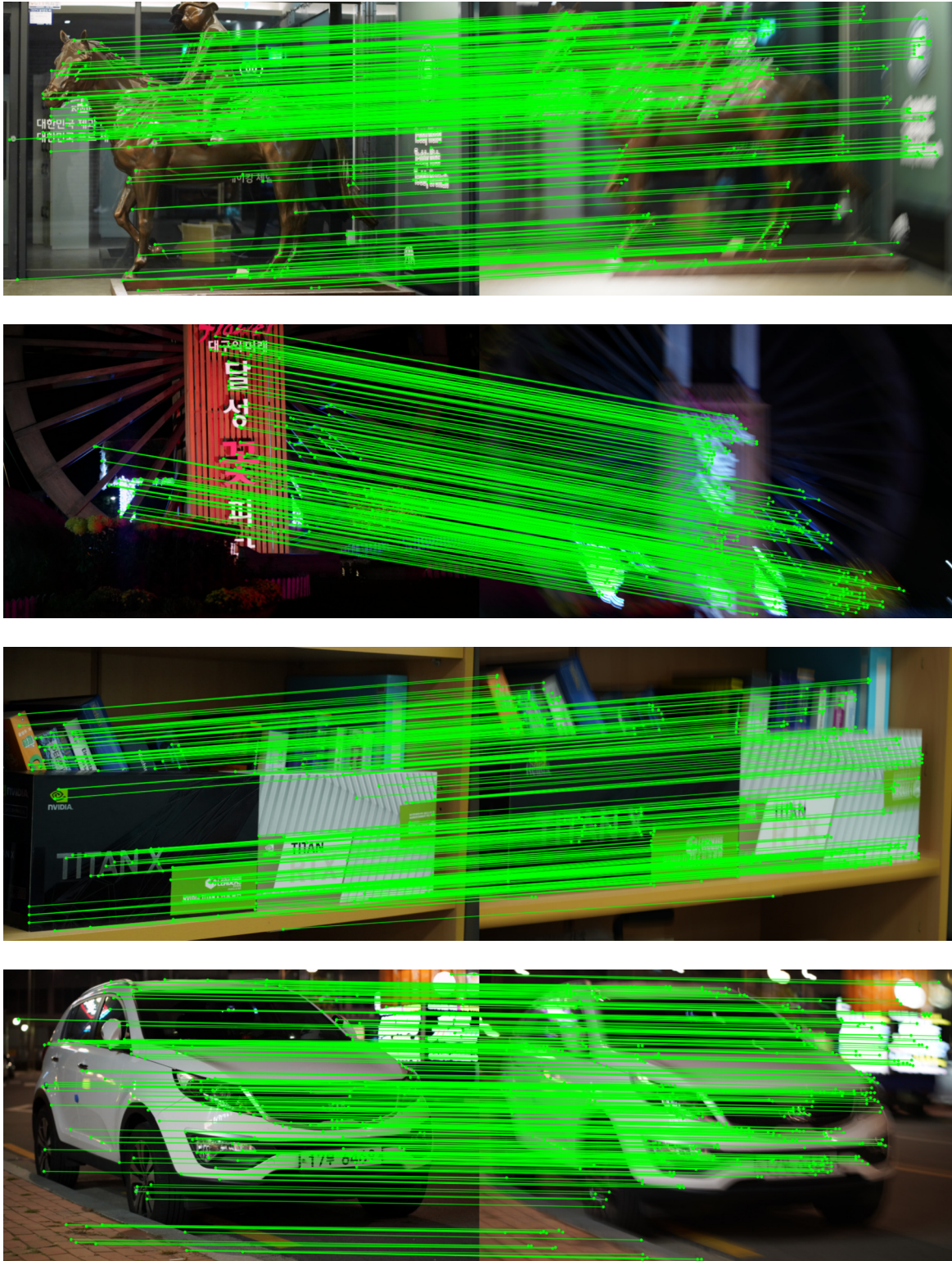


Figure 3. **Qualitative results for keypoint detection and matching on RealBlur dataset [17].** Left Sharp image. **Right** Blurred image. Our network is able to detect well distributed and localized keypoints from both sharp and blurred images for further image matching. Best view in high resolution.