Uncertainty Propagation using Copulas in a 3D Stereo Matching Pipeline

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Figure: Cost function [Cournet et al., 2020]

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Can \mathcal{M}_{mass} be an (outer) approximation of \mathcal{M}_{robust} ?

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