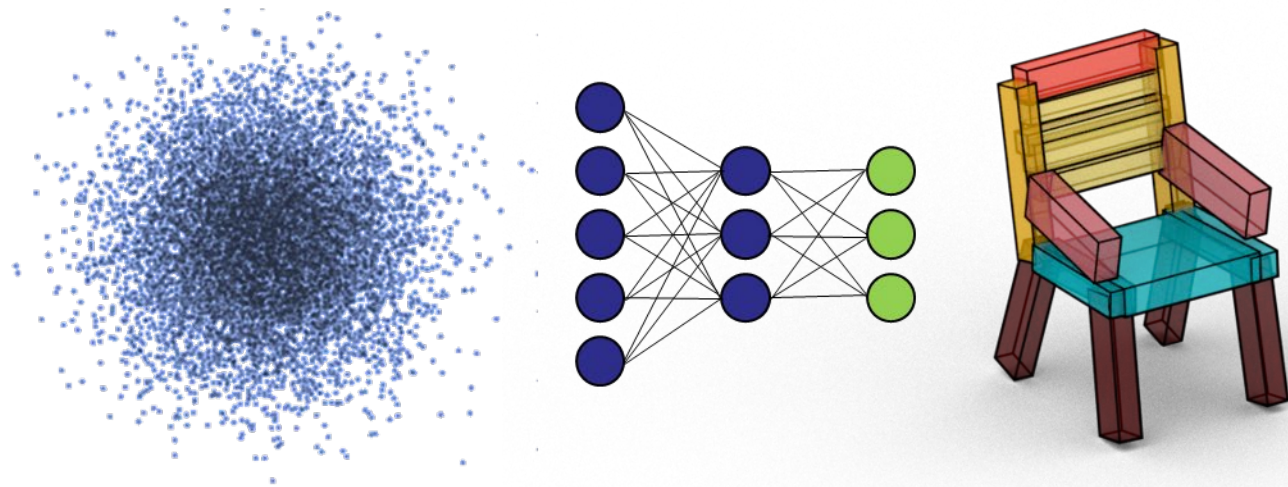


CS348n: Neural Representations and Generative Models for 3D Geometry

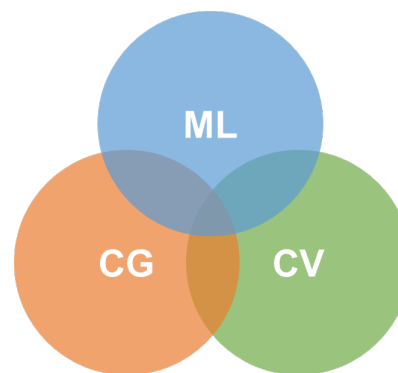


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Brief Biography

- Education: CS Ph.D. Stanford University
 - Advisor: Donald E. Knuth
- Main Other Employers: Xerox PARC, DEC SRC, MIT
- Current Position: Paul Pigott Professor in the School of Engineering, Stanford University, CS + EE (courtesy)
- Other appointments at: University of Athens (Greece), National University of Singapore, Tokyo National Institute of Informatics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Google Research, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Tsinghua-Berkeley Shenzhen Institute, Facebook AI Research



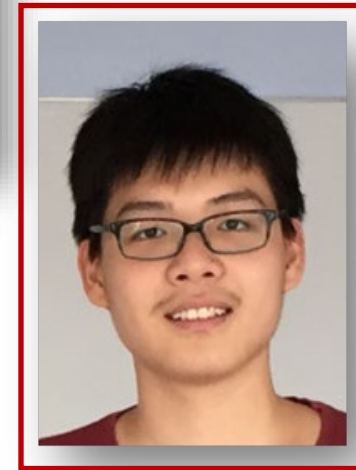
Machine Learning

Computer Vision

Computer Graphics

The Class Principals

- Leonidas (Leo) Guibas (CS & EE)
 - Instructor
- Kaichun Mo (CS)
 - Course Assistant (TA)
- Carrie Petersen (CS)
 - Admin



Also, a number of guest speakers ...

Canvas for class videos, etc...

<http://cs348n.stanford.edu>

Class venue: Zoom, **Clark S361**, Gates 105, ...

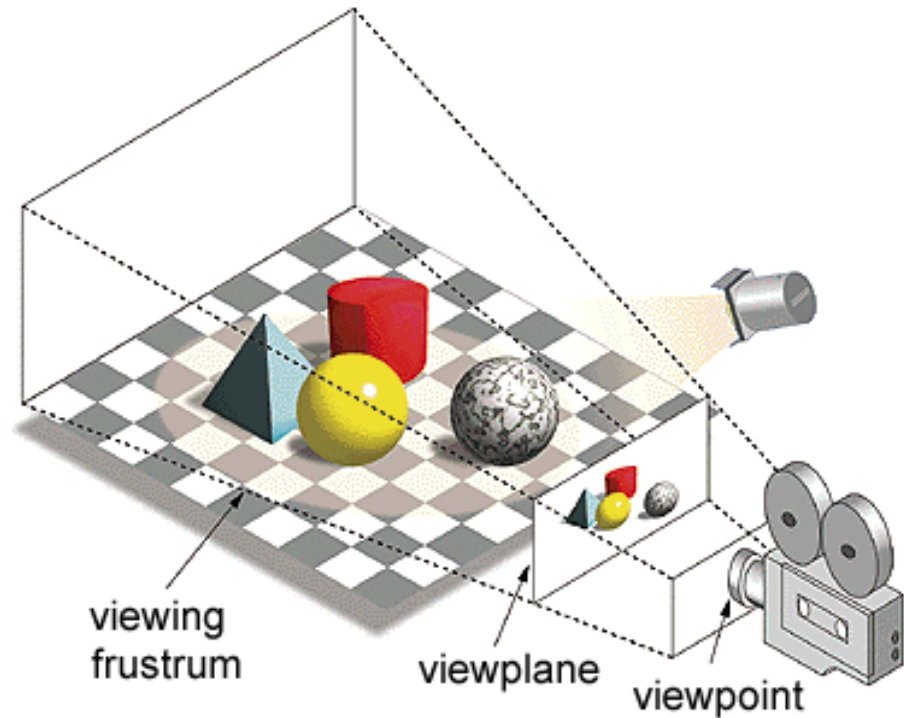
The Course:
Deep Generative Models
for 3D

The Classic Graphics Pipeline

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3D Scene:

- Geometry (incl. animation)
- Material
- Lighting



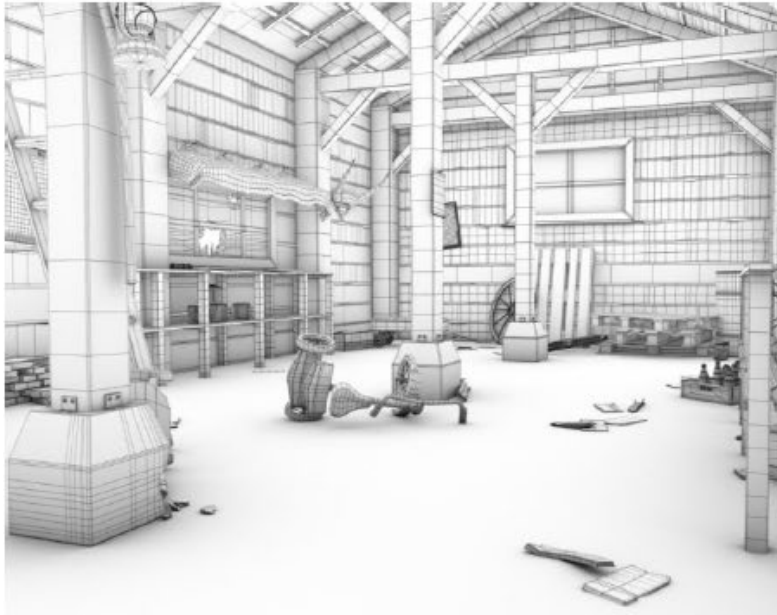
Camera Def.

- Intrinsic
- Often:
 - focal length
 - principal point

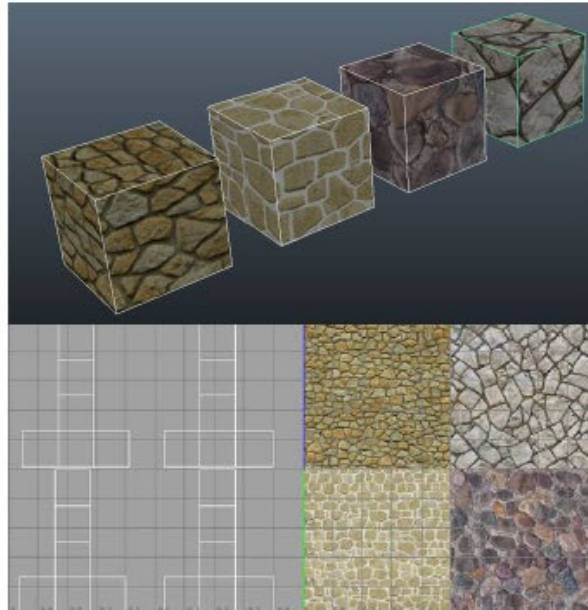
Camera View Point

- Extrinsic
- 6 DoF (3 rot, 3 trans)

Need 3D Content for Rendering



Geometry

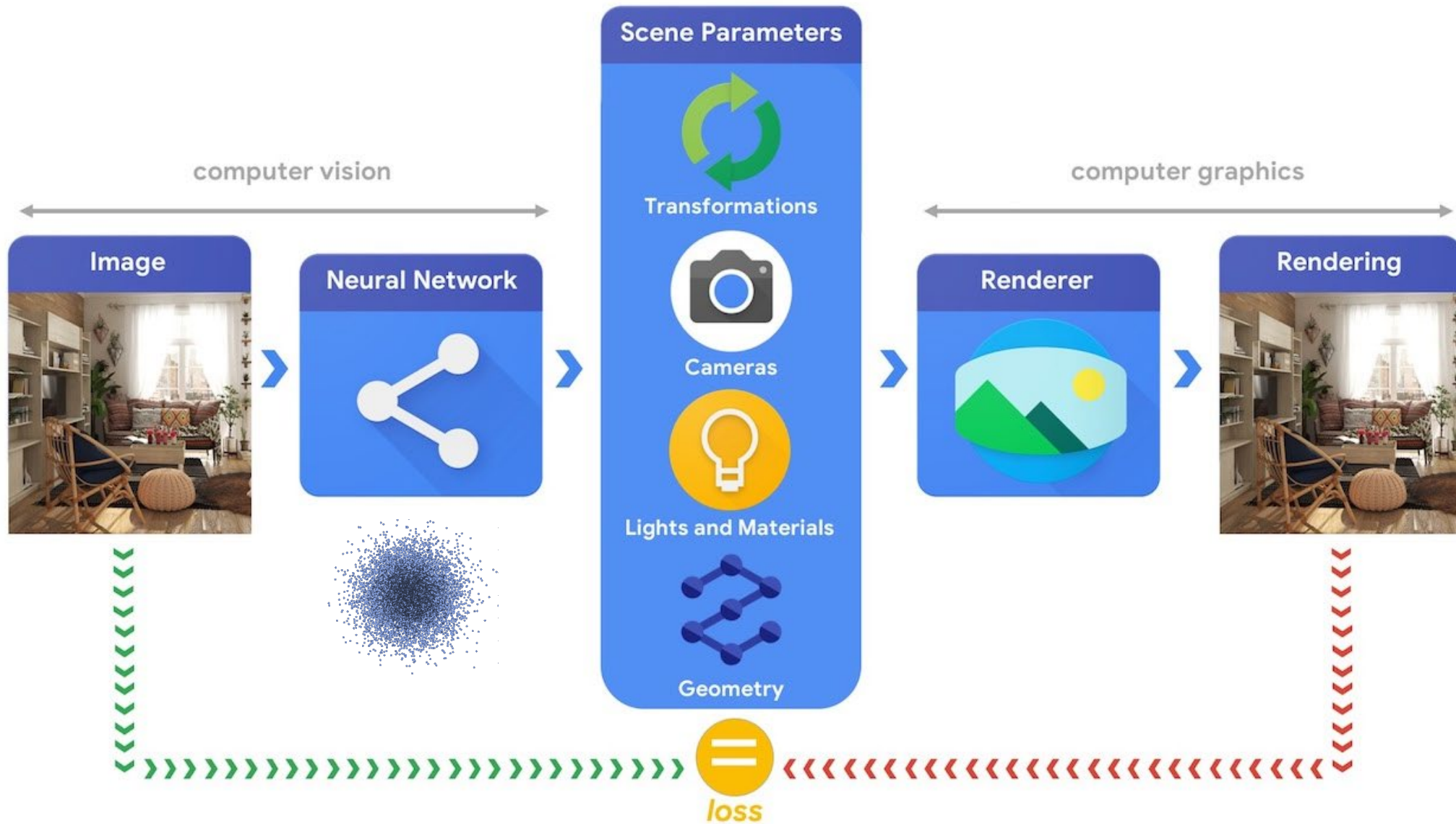


Textures and Materials

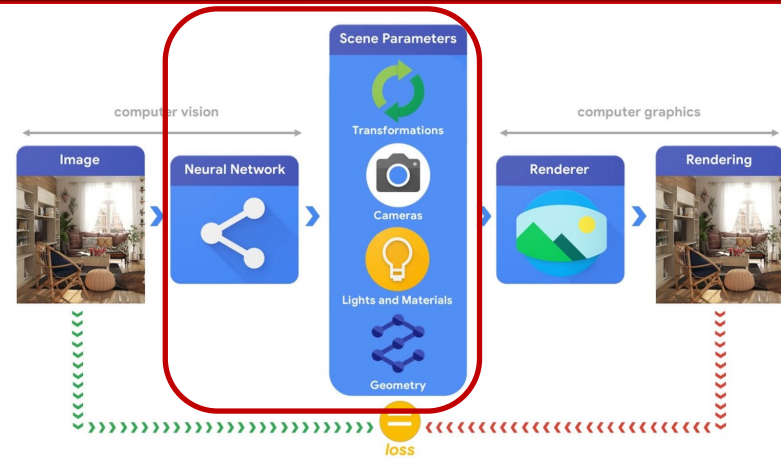


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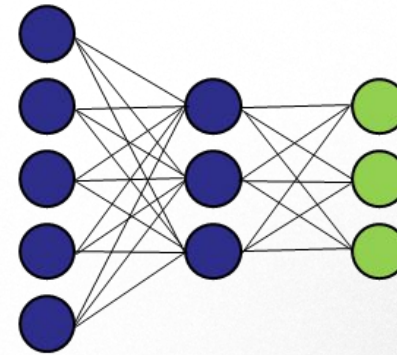
Computer Vision vs. Computer Graphics



Use Neural Networks to Create 3D Objects / Scenes



unconditional,
or conditional



Challenges for 3D Machine Learning

The Role of Supervision, Data Scale: 2D vs 3D



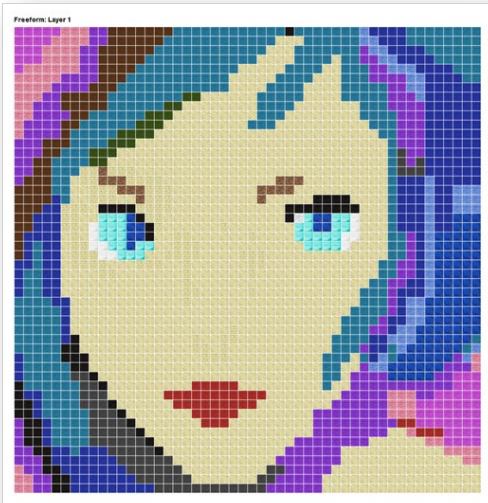
2D —15M Images



A screenshot of the Shape3D website interface. The page shows a search bar, navigation links (Home, About, Download, Statistics), and a search result for "chair". The result includes a definition: "a seat for one person, with a support for the back; 'he put his coat over the back of the chair and sat down'". Below the definition, there is a "Choose a taxonomy" dropdown menu set to "ShapeNetCore" and a list of categories with their respective counts. The "chair" category is highlighted with a count of 23,7083. To the right, there is a "Synset models" section displaying a grid of 3D models for various chair types, including club chair, cantilever chair, armchair, straight chair, swivel chair, butterfly chair, armchair, club chair, recliner, cantilever chair, swivel chair, armchair, folding chair, rocking chair, and club chair.

3D —3M Shapes, scarce annotations

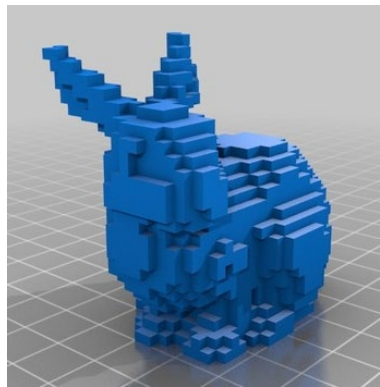
Challenge: Unlike 2D, Multiple 3D Representations



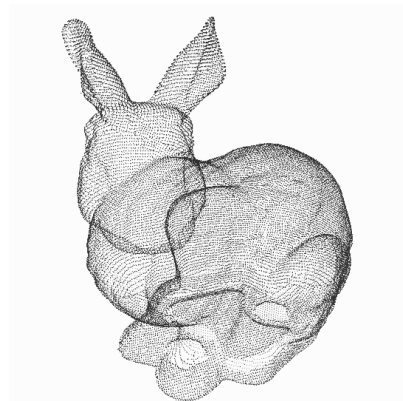
2D



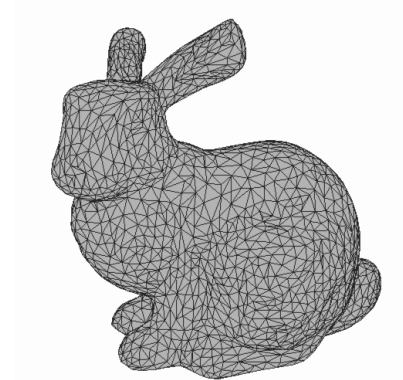
CAD Model



Volumetric



Point Cloud



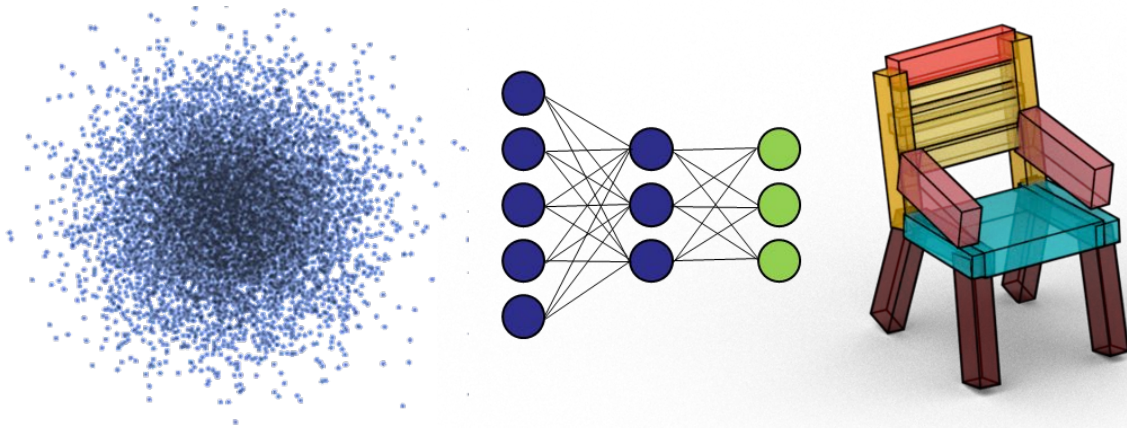
Surface Mesh



Multi-View Images

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Use NNs to Create Views of 3D Objects / Scenes



Generate 3D Representation

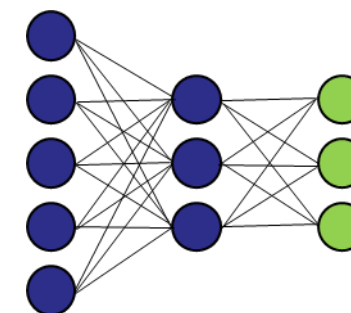
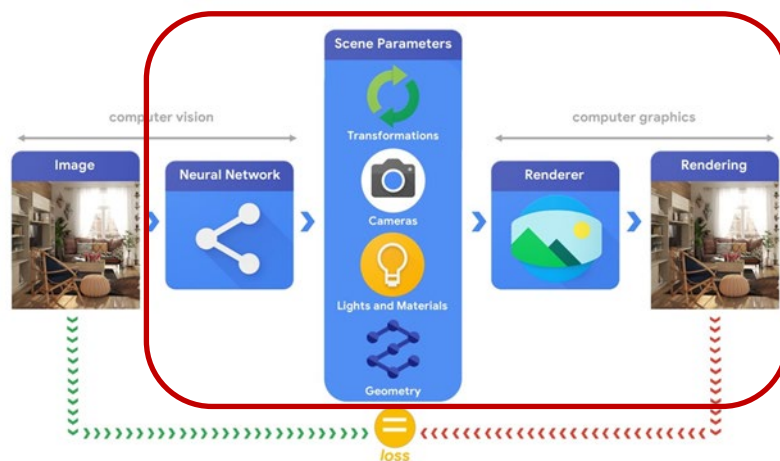
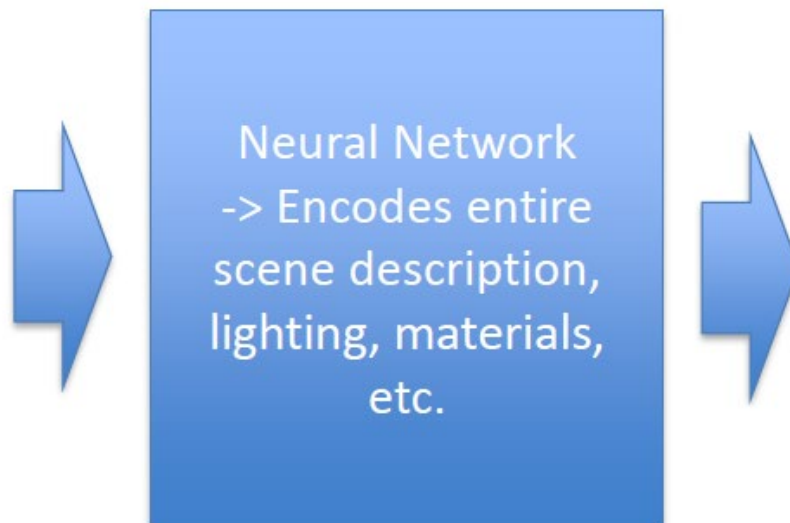


Generate 2D Views

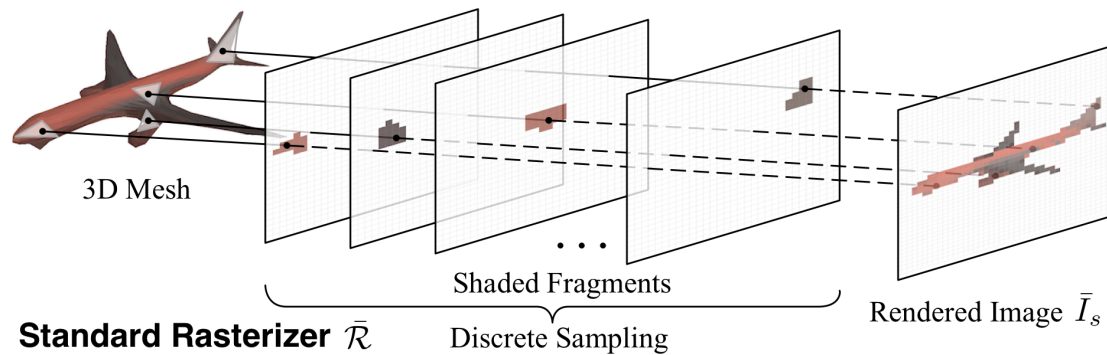
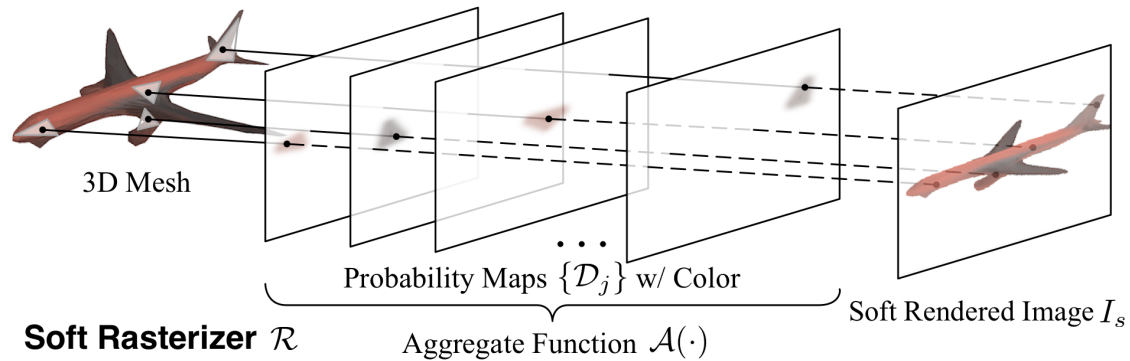
Neural Rendering!

Neural Rendering

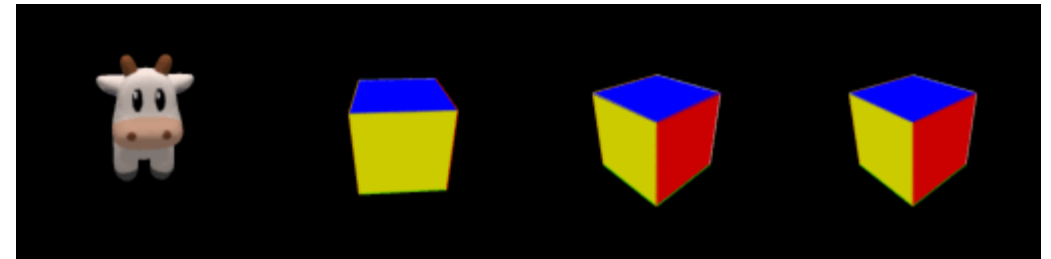
6 DoF Camera
Pose / View Point



NR Challenges: Differentiability, 3D Consistency



Shichen Liu, Tianye Li, Weikai Chen and Hao Li.
Soft Rasterizer: A Differentiable Renderer for
Image-based 3D Reasoning. ICCV'2019.



3D Supervision, from 2D Images!

Where CS348n Fits In

- CS231n – Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition
- CS233 – Geometric and Topological Data Analysis
- CS236 – Deep Generative Models
- CS348a – Computer Graphics: Geometric Modeling and Processing
- CS348b – Computer Graphics: Image Synthesis Techniques
- CS348i – Computer Graphics in the Era of AI

CS348n is a New Class



There will be
rough edges ...



Digital 3D Content Creation

Some history

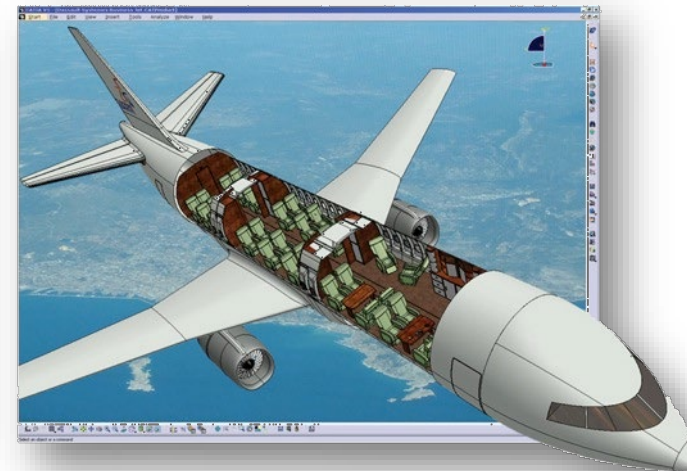
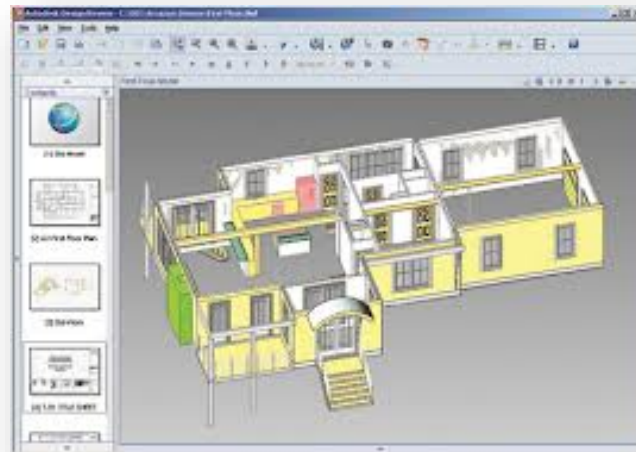
Computer-Aided Shape Design

Geometric Modeling and Processing

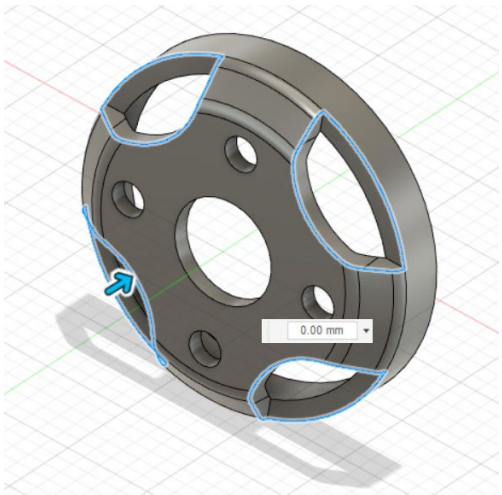
What is computer aided design (CAD), geometric modeling?

Broad goal – digital twins of physical objects:

To create mathematical models and practical tools for the digital representation and manipulation of 2D/3D shapes and their physical attributes.



GM Originated in the CAD Industry ~1950



Quadratic Bézier curves

A quadratic Bézier curve is the path traced by the function $B(t)$ given

$$B(t) = (1-t)^2 P_0 + 2t(1-t) P_1 + t^2 P_2$$

preceding equation yields

$$B'(t) = 2(1-t)(P_1 - P_0) + 2t(P_2 - P_1)$$

The derivative of the Bézier curve with respect to t is

$$B''(t) = 2(P_2 - 2P_1 + P_0)$$

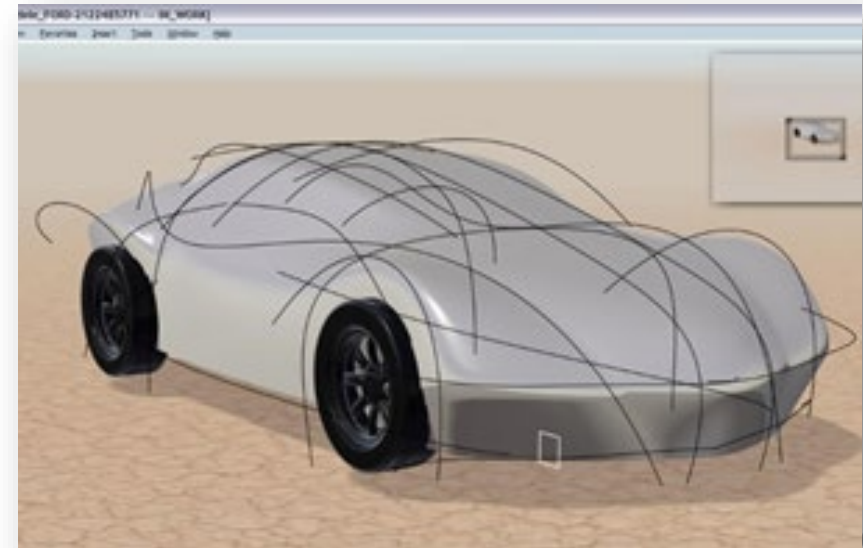
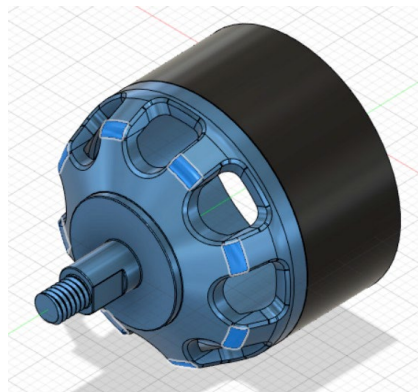
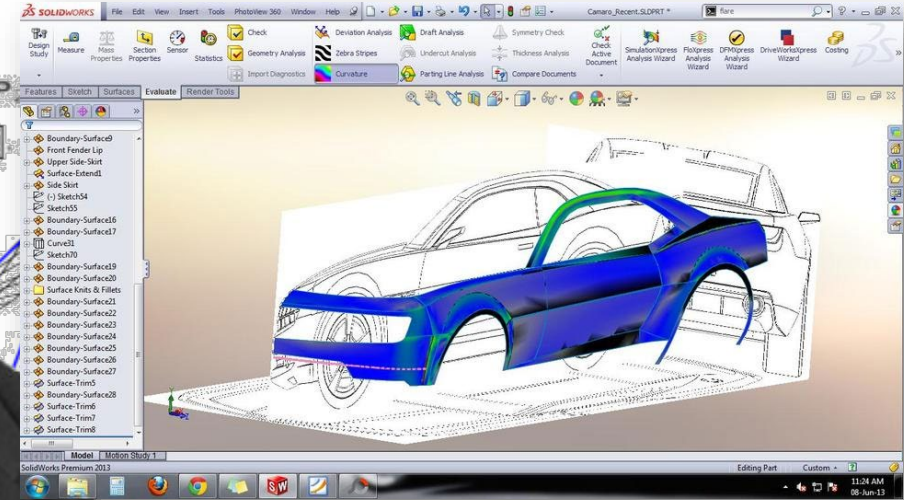
of P_1 , then bends to arrive at P_2 from the direction of P_0 .

The second derivative of the Bézier curve with respect to t is

$$B''(t) = 2(P_2 - 2P_1 + P_0)$$



Pierre Bézier
Renault



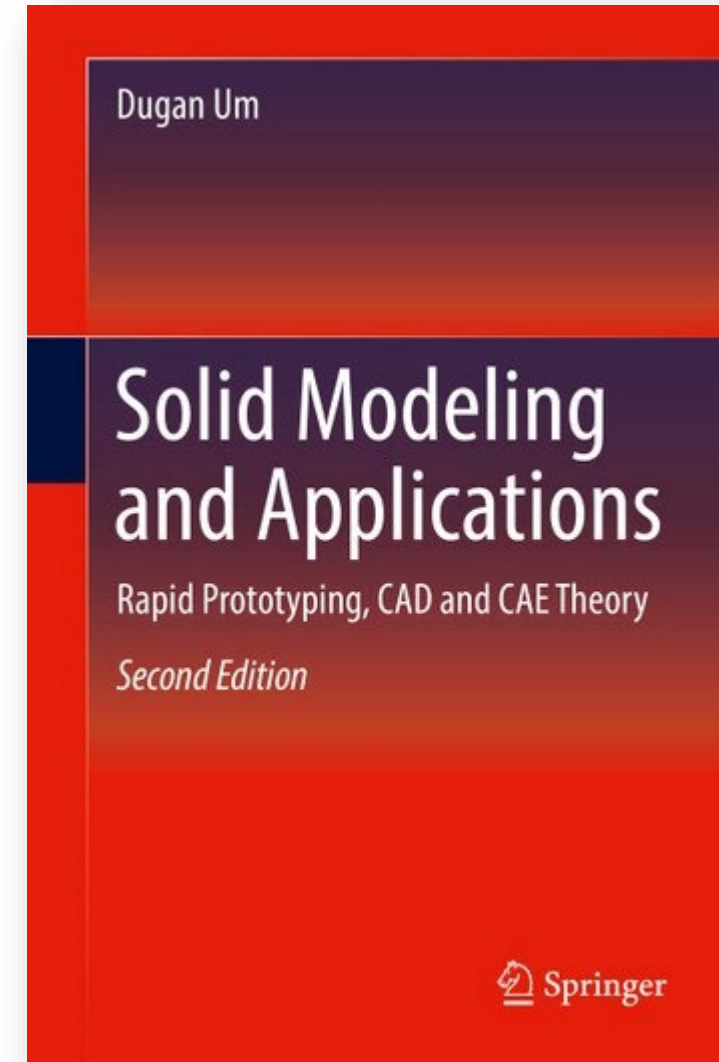
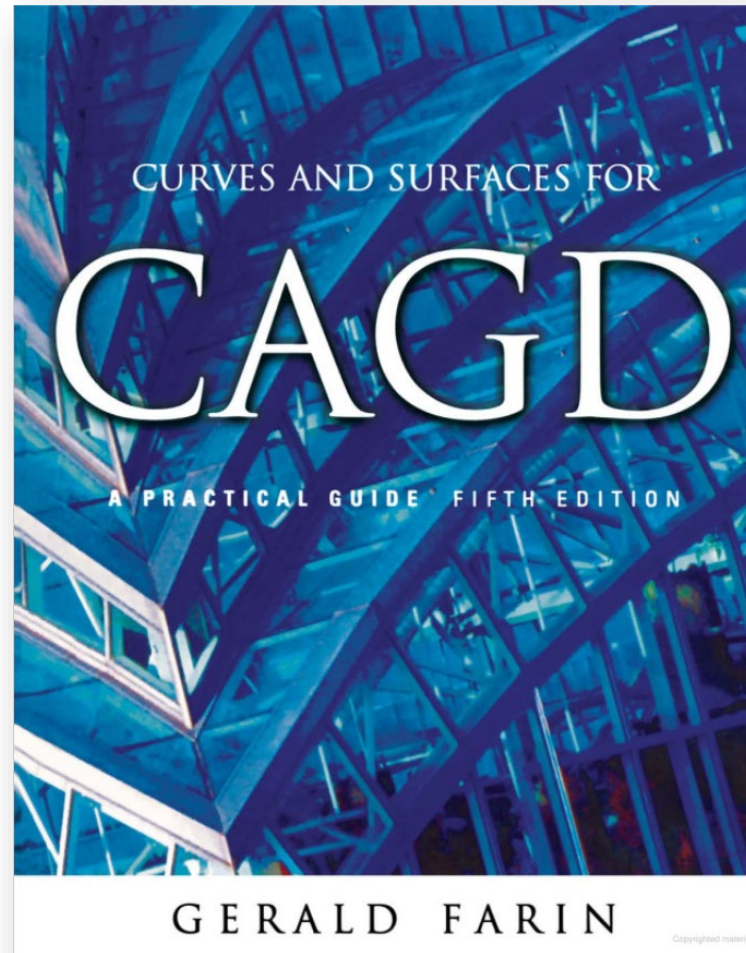
Ivan Sutherland, Sketchpad (1963)



How shape models
arise: human design

“A Man-Machine Graphical Communication System”

Many Textbooks



Ab Initio Design: Many Software Environments



Autodesk Fusion 360

SolidWorks

Dassault Systèmes CATIA

Historical Role of 3D Modeling



Beautiful synthetic imagery (ads, etc)

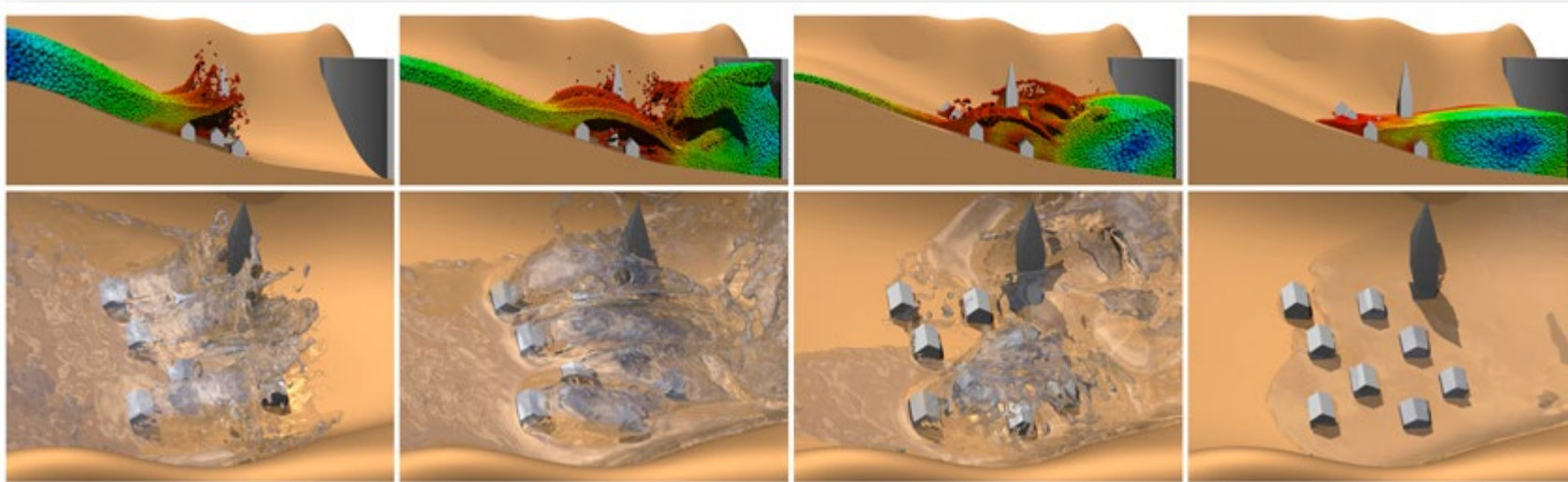


Computer games



Movie special effects

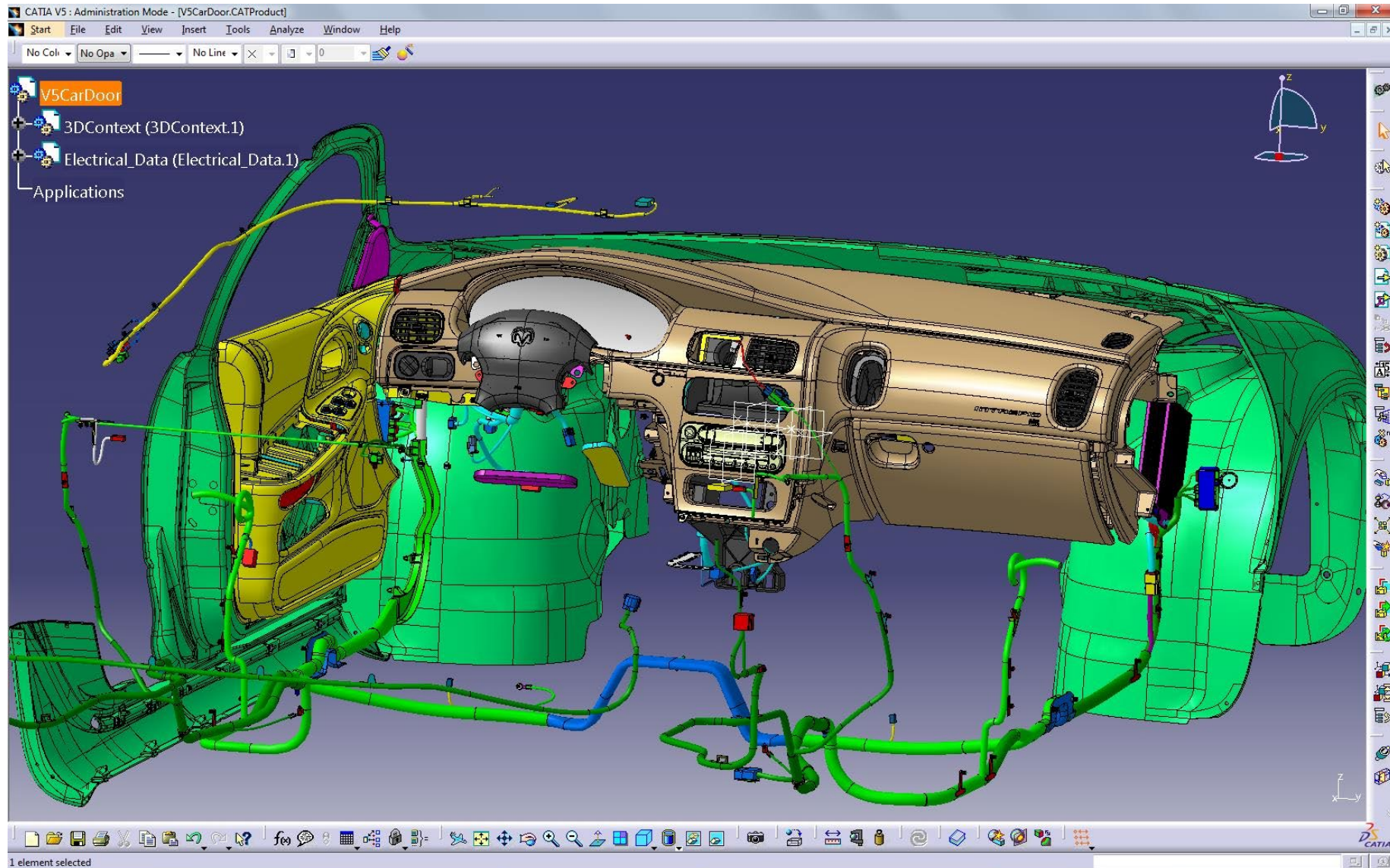
Physically-based simulation



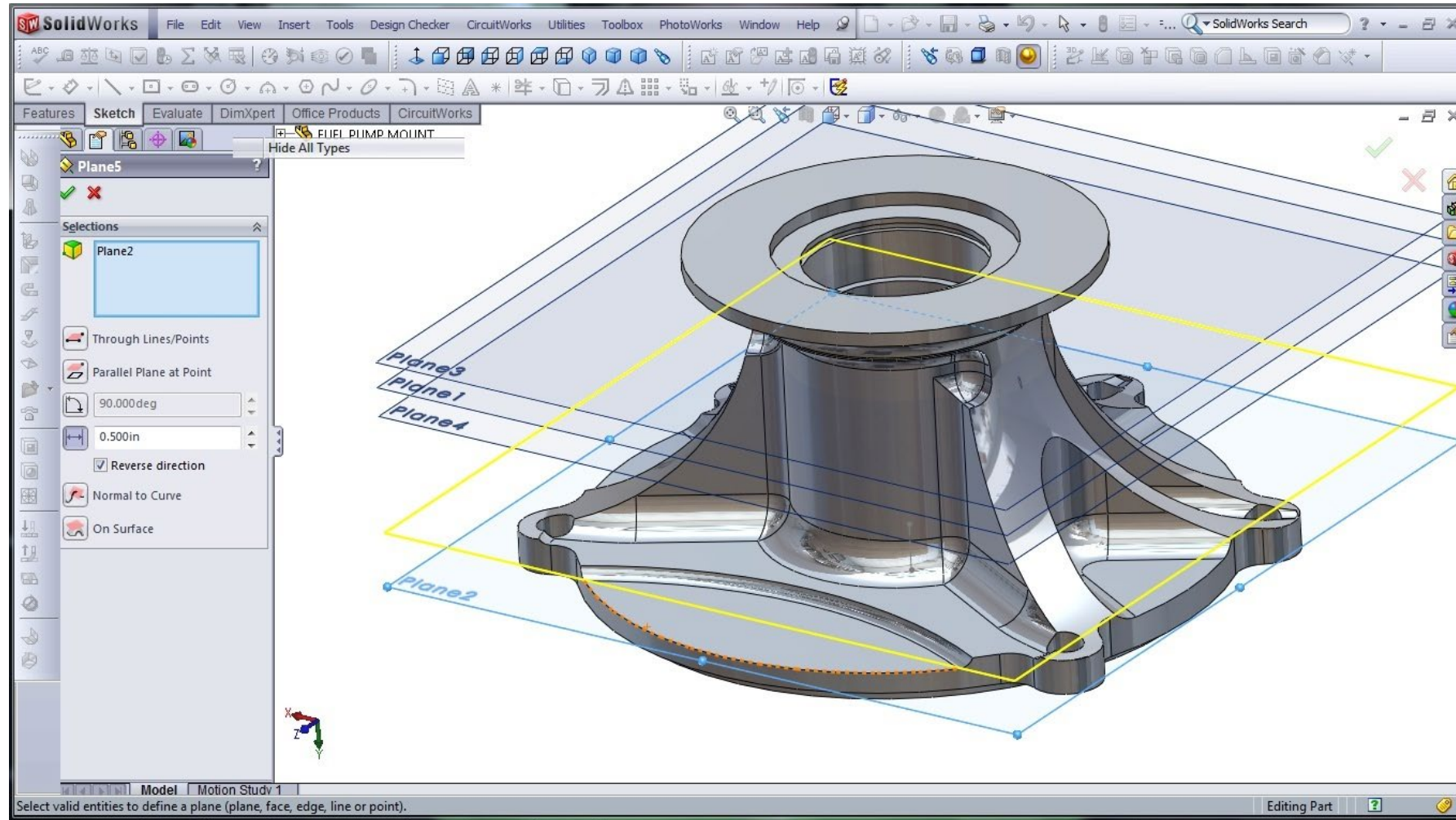
Science

Engineering

CAD Modeling is Hard — Requires Specialists



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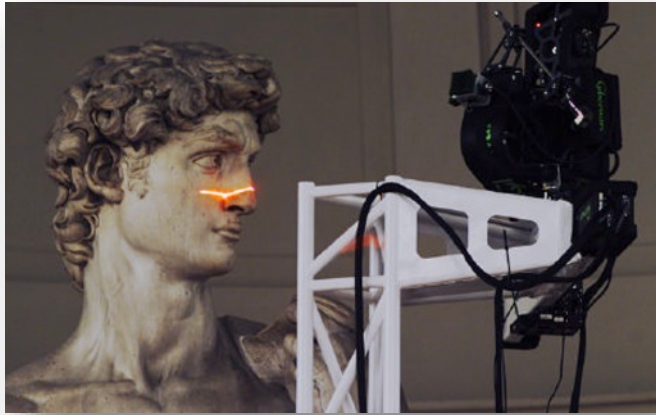


Physical Shape Acquisition

Geometry Capture

Acquisition by 3D Scanners

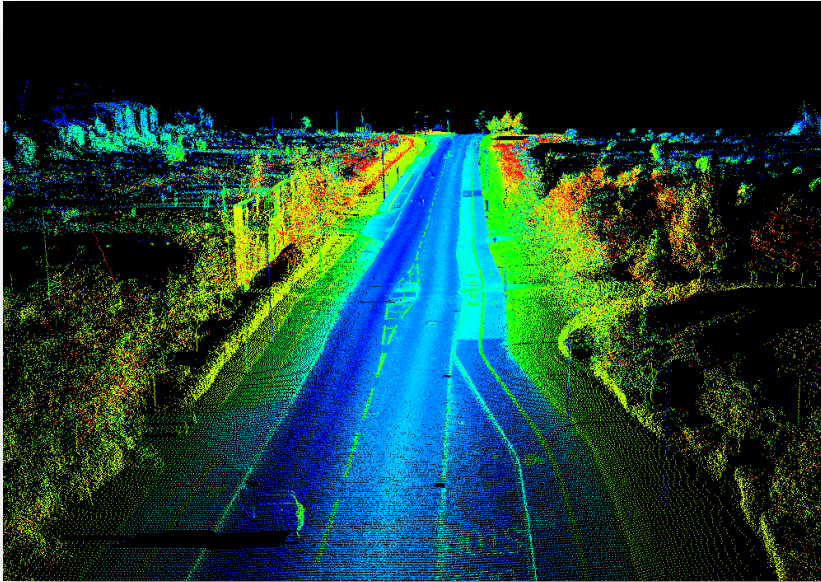
- Acquired shapes:



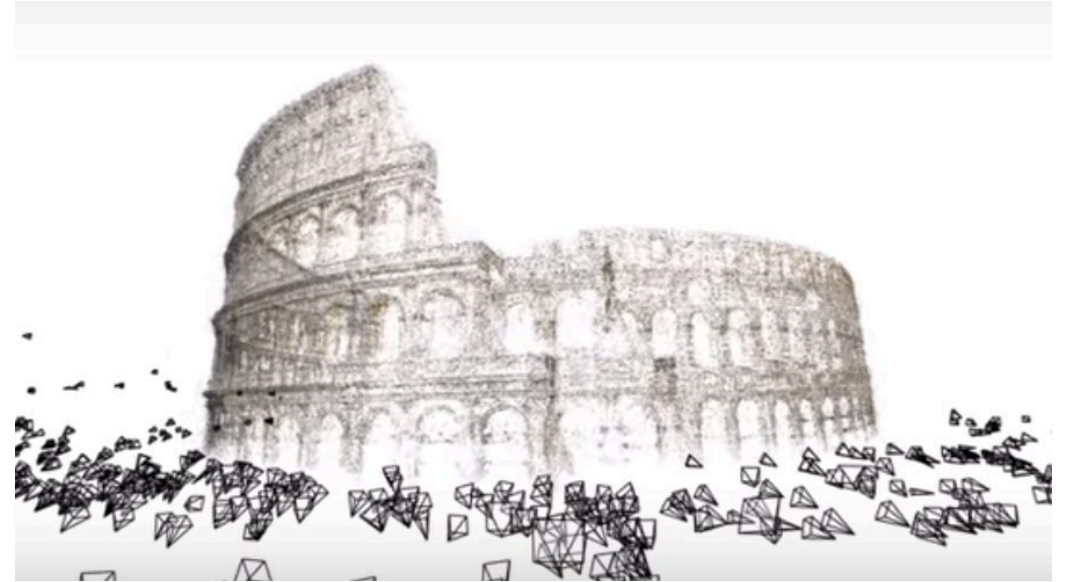
Live Body Scan
Data acquired in 0.01 seconds



Point Clouds from Many Sensor Types



Lidar point clouds (LizardTech)



Structure from motion (Microsoft)

Depth camera (Intel)

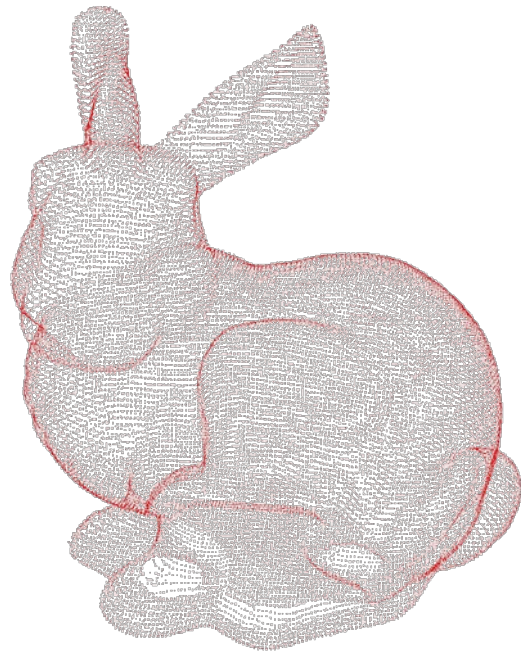


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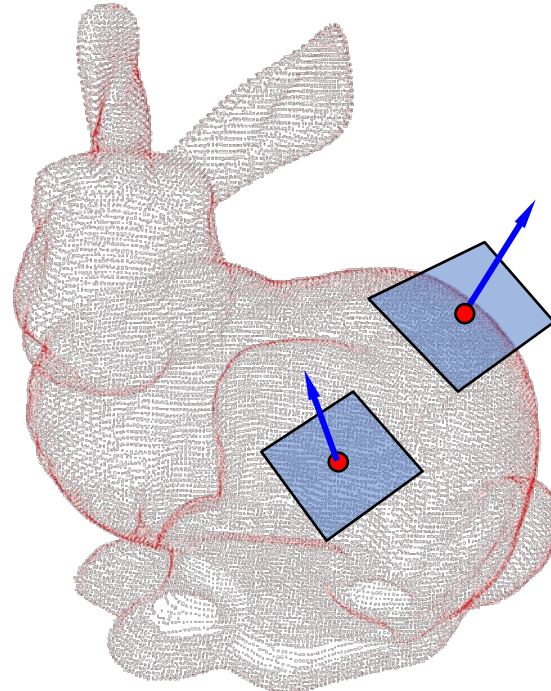


Point Clouds

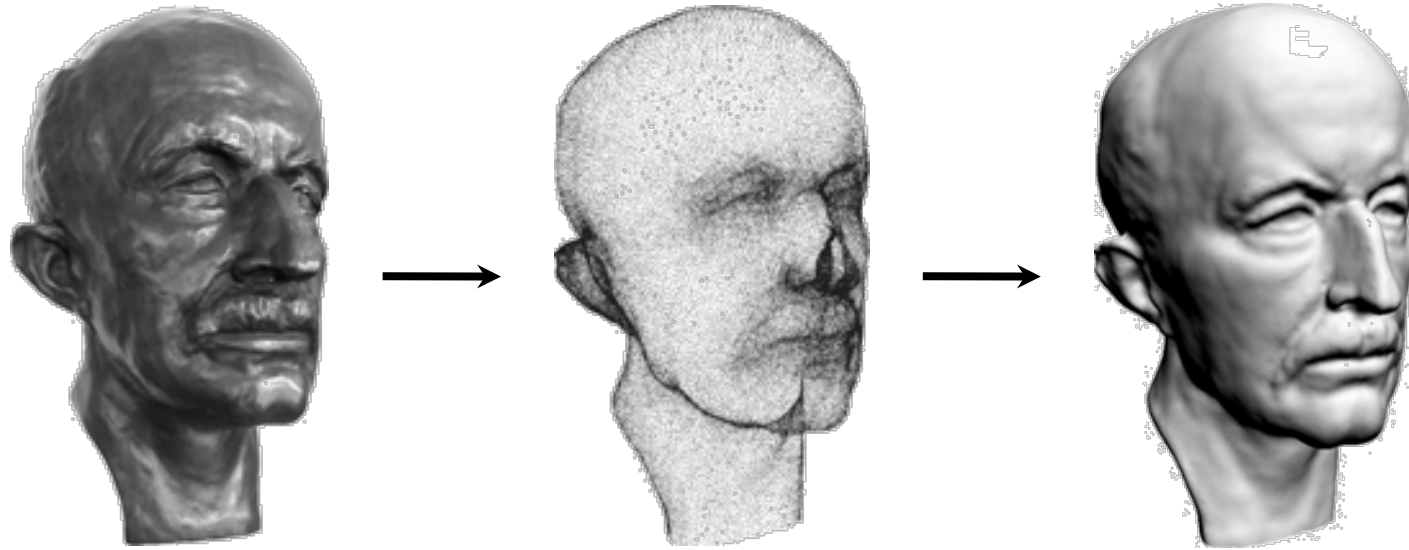
- Simplest representation: **only points**, no connectivity
- Collection of (x,y,z) coordinates, possibly with normals



Stanford bunny



From Point Clouds to Surfaces



physical
model

acquired
point cloud

Reconstructed mesh or CAD
3D model

Geometry Processing Pipeline

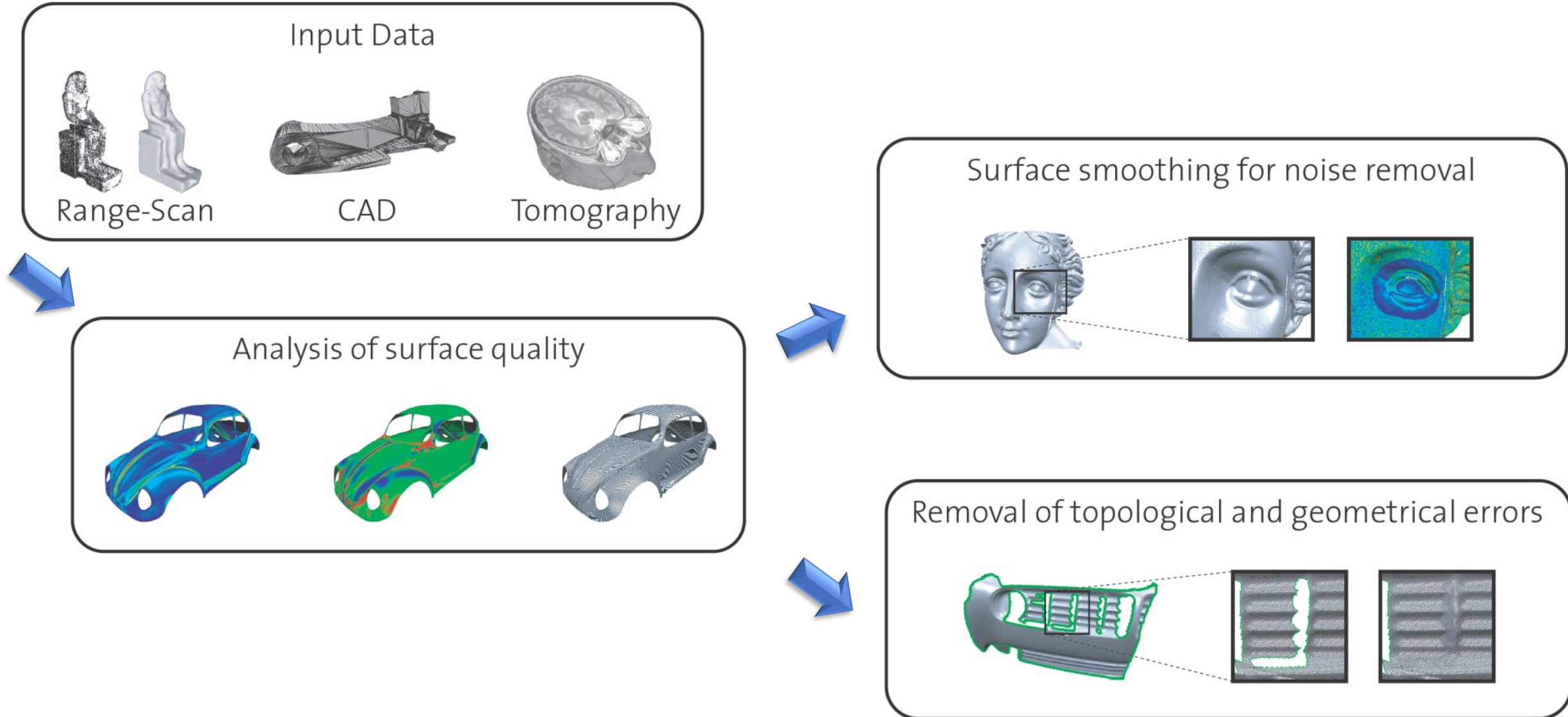
What is Geometry Processing About?

- Acquiring
- Analyzing/Repairing/Improving
- Manipulating

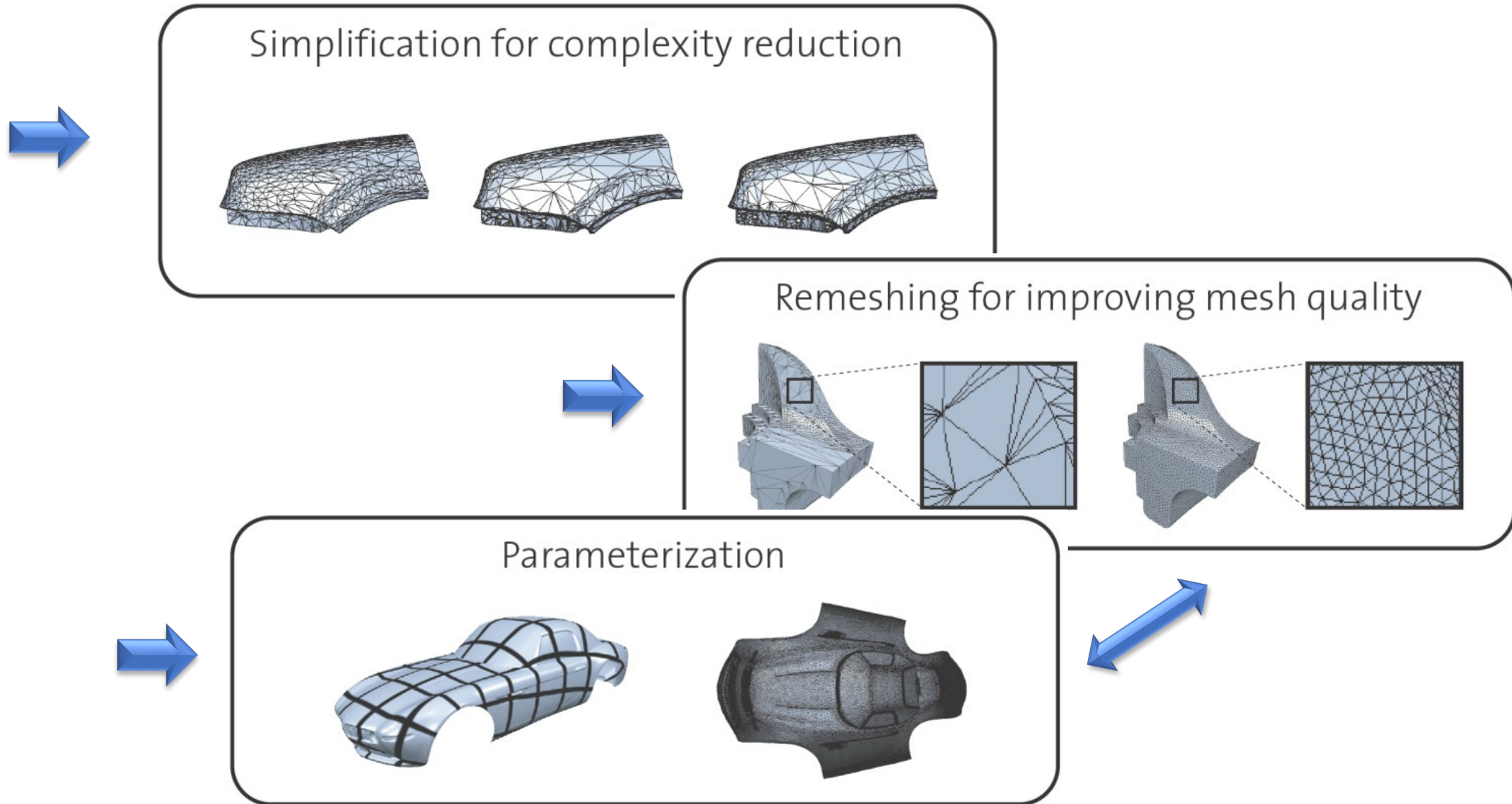


3D Models

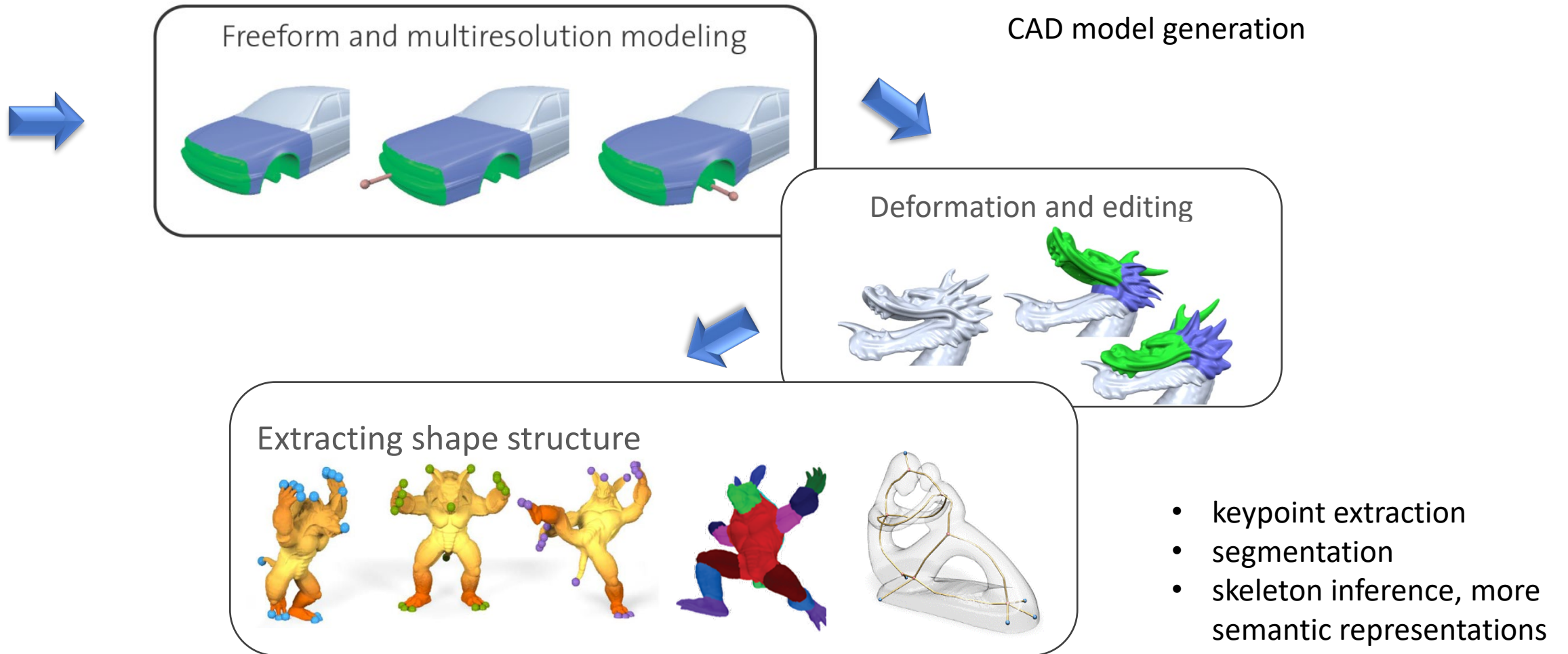
A Geometry Processing Pipeline: Low Level Algorithms



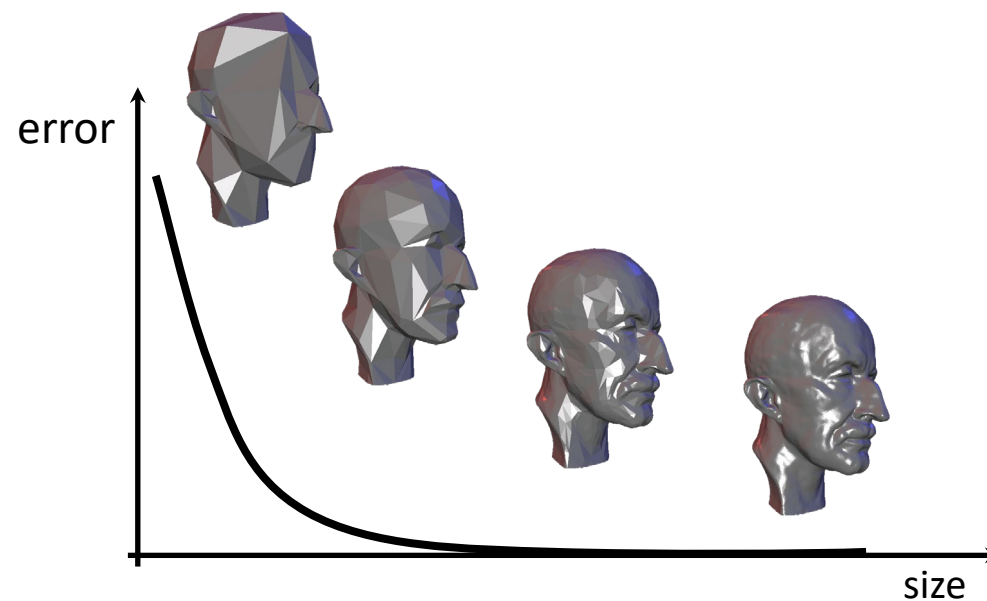
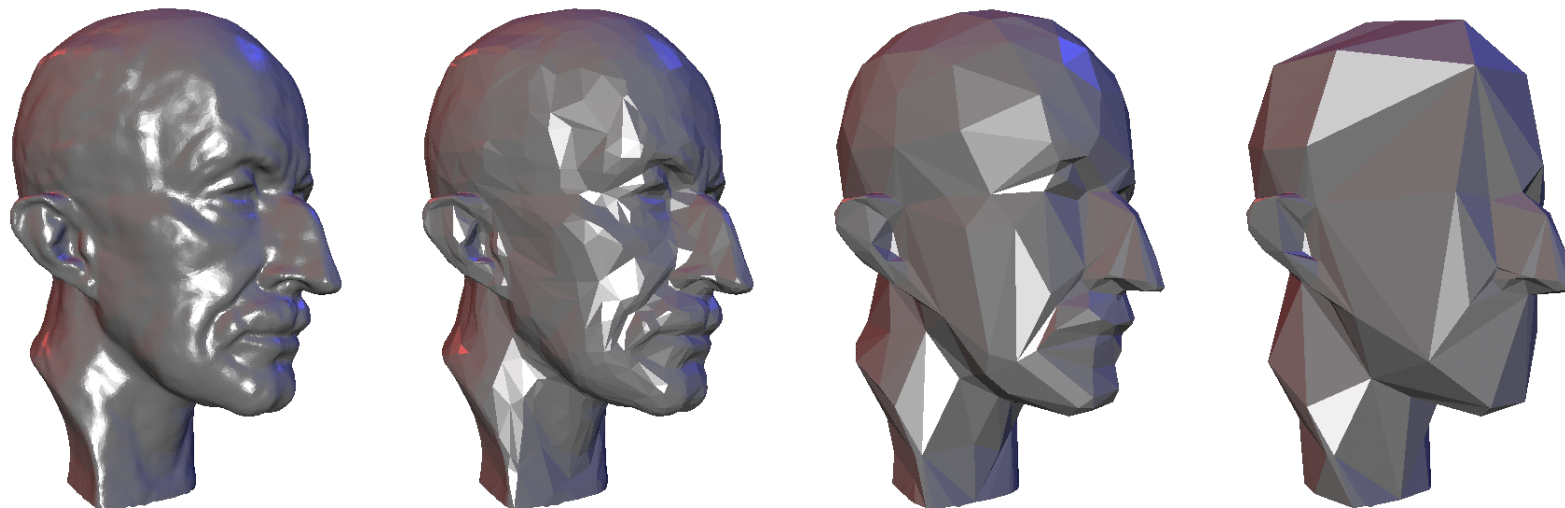
A Geometry Processing Pipeline: Intermediate Algorithms



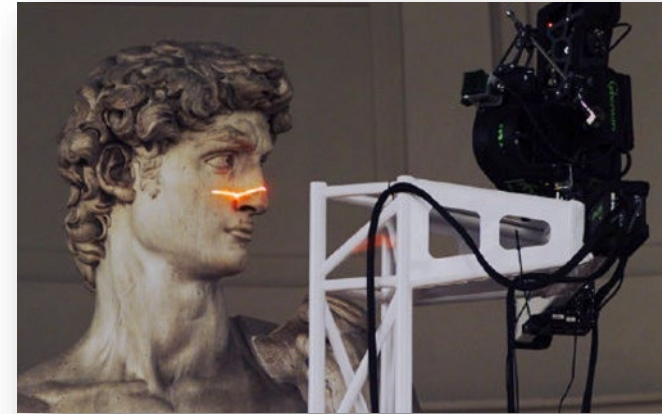
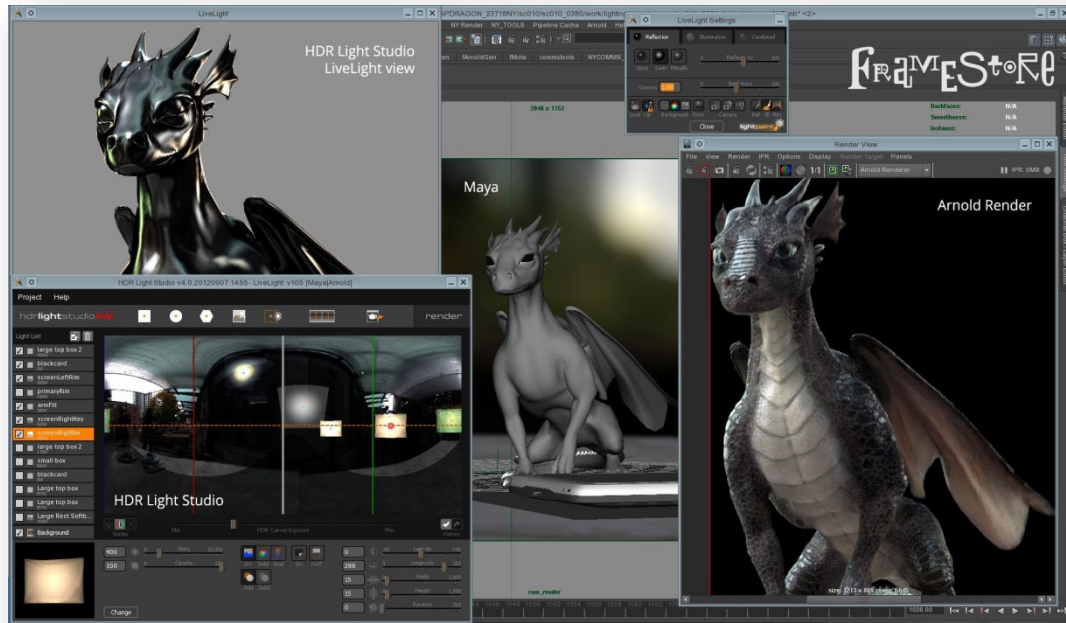
A Geometry Processing Pipeline: High Level Algorithms



Always Trade-Offs for a Representation



3D Content Creation/Acquisition Is Hard



Autodesk Fusion 360



Autodesk Maya



All This Is Changing ...
Better Software, Hardware, and
Machine Learning

Democratization of 3D Content Creation

Simpler 3D Modeling Software



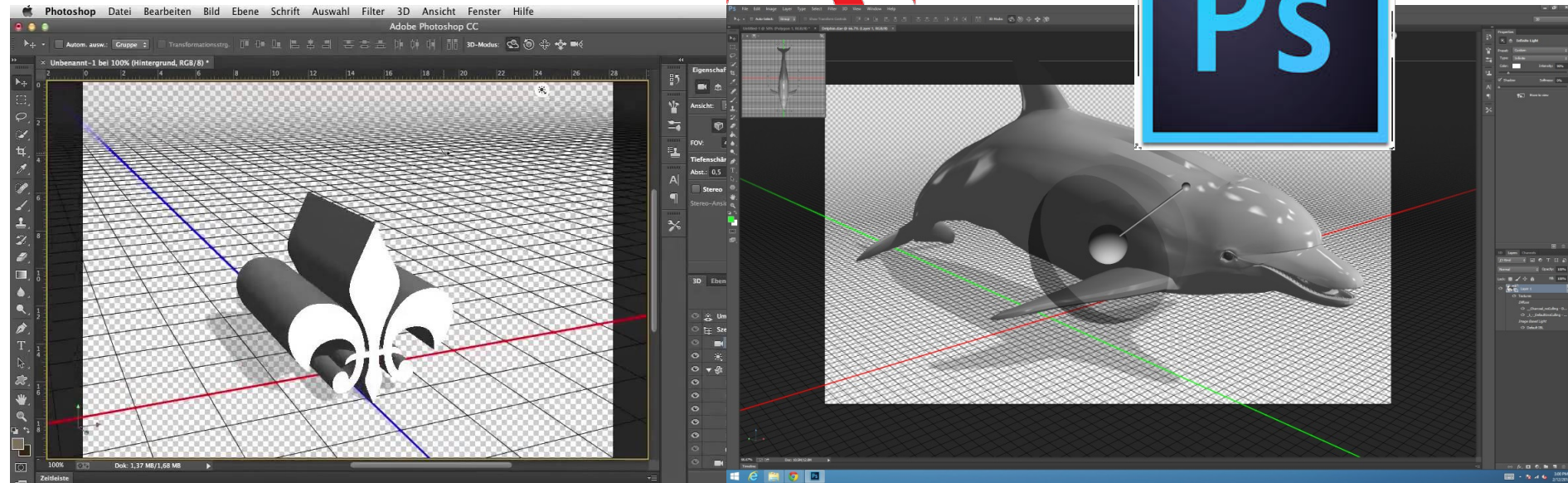
House in Istanbul Haluk Hatipoglu



www.hot4cad.com



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Affordable 3D Scanners



Microsoft Kinect



Google Tango

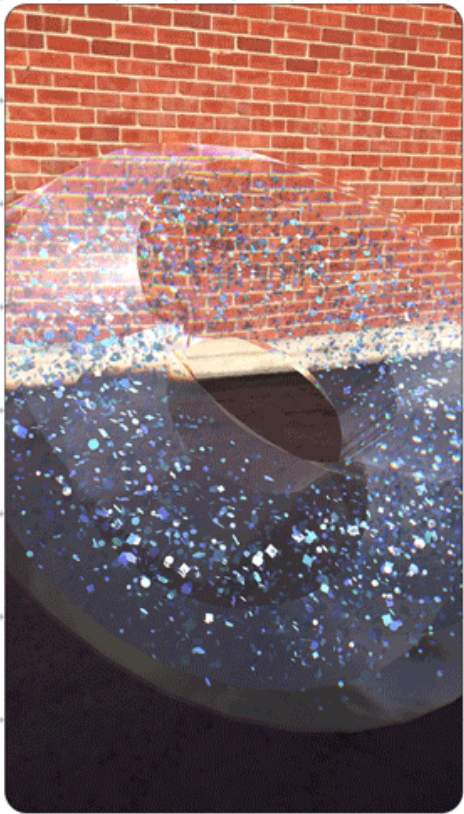
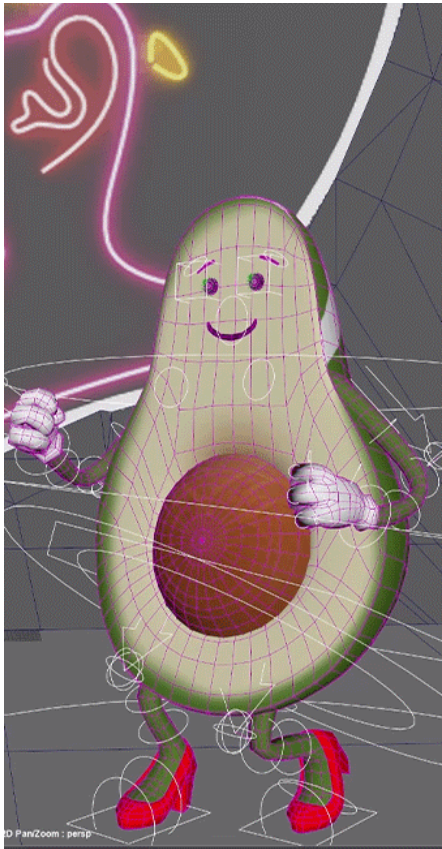


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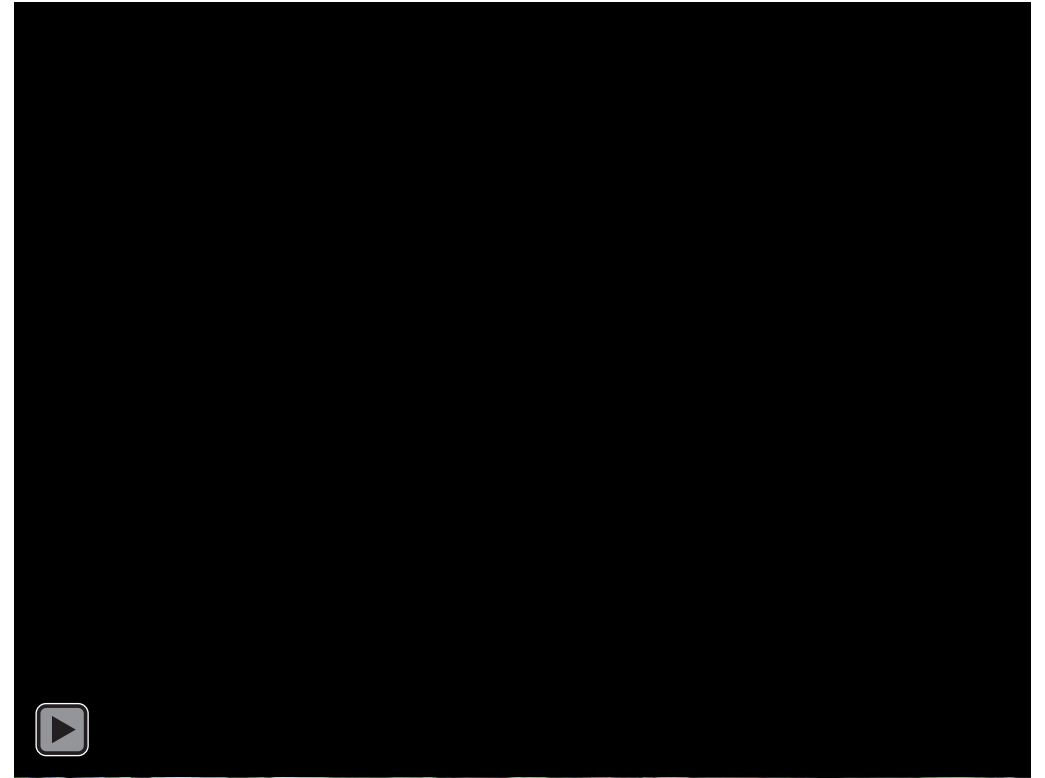


Intel RealSense

SnapChat AR Lenses



Neural Radiance Fields (NeRFs)



Capturing the World in 3D from a Few Photos

The Course

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Course Topics

January 3	January 5	January 17	January 19
<p>Introduction.</p> <p>Traditional 3D modeling pipelines. Computer vision as inverse graphics. Neural 3D representations and neural rendering. Democratization of 3D content creation. Synthetic 3D data for ML training pipelines.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p>	<p>Classical 3D Geometry Representations.</p> <p>Low level: voxel grids, point clouds, triangular and quad meshes. High level: parametric and implicit boundary representations. Review of some classical geometric concepts (normals, curvature).</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p>	<p>Martin Luther King, Jr., Day (holiday, no classes).</p>	<p>Introduction to Generative Models (VAEs, deepSDF).</p> <p>Autoencoders and autoencoders. Variational autoencoders. Deep signed distance functions.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading: VarEncoders1, VarEncoders2, VQVAE, DeepMetafunctionals, IMNet, DeepSDF</p> <p>Student Presentation: KPCConv, PointConv</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Homework 1 out.</p>
January 10	January 12	January 24	January 26
<p>Neural Architectures for Regular Data.</p> <p>Brief review of deep nets and convolutional architectures for images. Sparse convolutions. Transformers. Voxel-based 3D methods for shapes and hierarchical variants.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p>	<p>Irregular Geometries: Point Clouds.</p> <p>PointNet and PointNet++. KPConv and other related methods. Sampling issues. Applications to object detection, classification, and segmentation..</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading: PointNet, PointNet++, DGCNN, VoteNet</p>	<p>Parametric Models. Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) for 3D. Disentanglement.</p> <p>AtlasNet. HoloGAN, 3D-GAN, StyleGAN.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading: GAN1, GAN2, AtlasNet, HoloGAN, WassersteinGAN, StyleGAN1</p> <p>Student Presentation: StructuredImplicits, LocalImplicits</p>	<p>3D Shape Public Data Sets. Flow and Auto-Regressive Models.</p> <p>ShapeNet, PartNet, ... PointFlow, PolyGen.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation: ParSeNet, StyleGAN2, StyleGAN3</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Homework 1 due. Homework 2 out.</p>

Course Topics

January 31	February 2	February 14	February 16
<p>Hierarchical Generation of Structure and Geometry.</p> <p>GRASS, StructureNet, ComplementMe.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Vector Graphics, Deep Architectures for Meshes.</p> <p>Vector graphics generation, convolutions on meshes. MeshCNN.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Conditional Generation: From Image to Shape.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Learning Discrete and Continuous Shape Edits/Deformations. Shaping Latent Spaces.</p> <p>Latent shape differences. Neural shape deformations/edits.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Project proposals due.</p>
February 7	February 9	February 21	February 23
<p>Pose Equivariance and Invariance in 3D Data.</p> <p>Vector neurons.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Conditional Generation: 3D Shape Completion.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Homework 2 due. Homework 3 out.</p>	<p>Presidents' Day (holiday, no classes).</p>	<p>Neural Functions: 3D from 2D Supervision.</p> <p>Neural rendering. Neural radiance fields (NeRFs). GRAF, GIRAFFE.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Homework 3 due.</p>

Course Topics

February 28	March 2
<p>Neural Fields and Surfaces.</p> <p>Surface and Neural field extraction. UNISURF, NeuS.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Scene Generation and Object Placement.</p> <p>MetaSim, MetaSim2.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>
March 7	March 9
<p>Object/Scene Generation and Language.</p> <p>ShapeGlut, PartGlut.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Student Presentation:</p>	<p>Student Project Presentations.</p> <p>Lecture Slides:</p> <p>Reading:</p> <p>Project due.</p>

Course Requirements / Mechanics

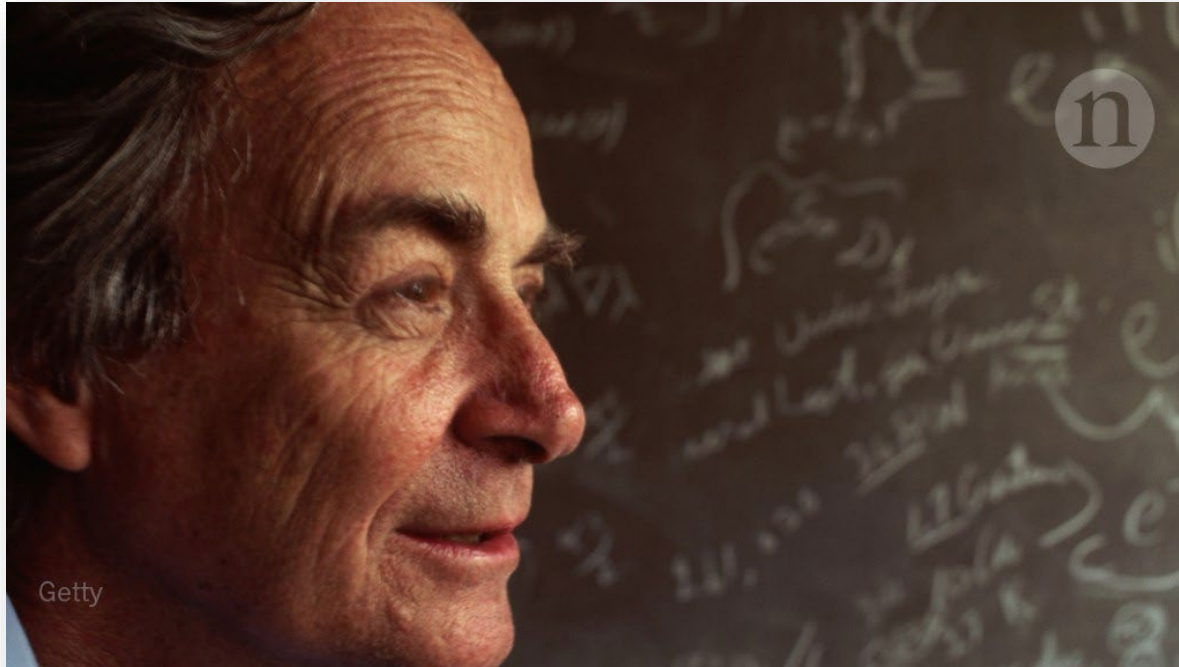
- 3 programming assignments (1 week, 2 weeks, 2 weeks) using Google Cloud for Education
- 1 small project (BYI, but suggestions also provided, 3 weeks)
- 1 class presentation on research papers from the literature (topics covered in the previous class)
- teams of up to three students allowed
- we'll use Piazza (www.piazza.com) as the class discussion forum, and Gradescope (www.gradescope.com) for assignment submissions

Action Items

- Form collaboration teams, if you so desire (Piazza can help find partners)
- Negotiate the date of your literature paper presentation
- Start thinking about a project (we are here to provide feedback)

First Steps Towards 3D ML

Generative Modeling



Richard Feynman: *“What I cannot create, I do not understand”*

Generative modeling: *“What I understand, I can create”*



Generative Model (Unconditional)

Given training data, generate new samples from the same distribution:



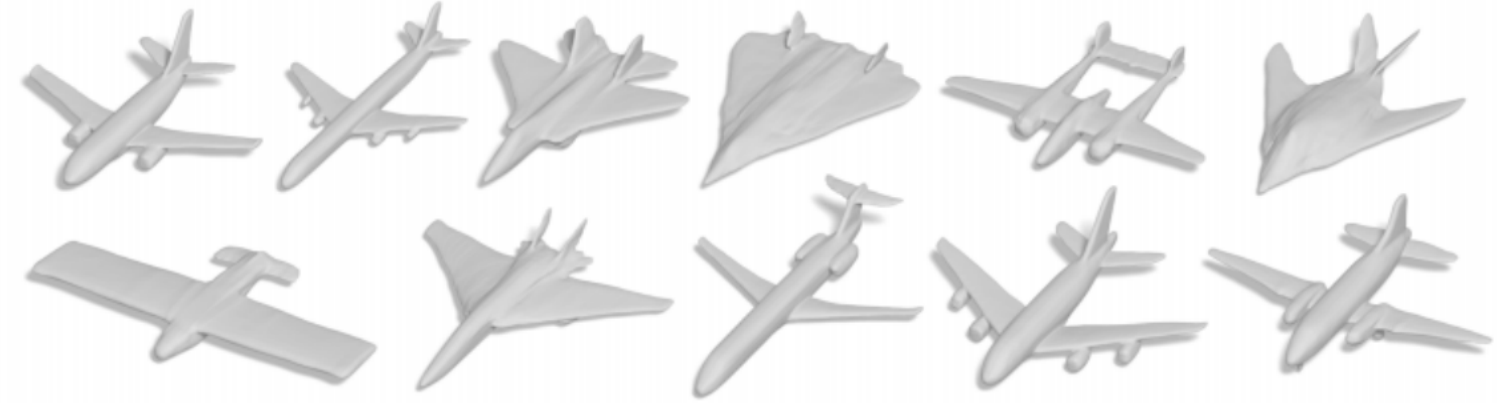
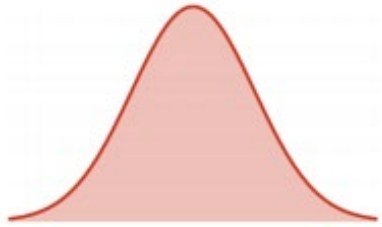
Training data $\sim p_{\text{data}}(x)$



Generated samples $\sim p_{\text{model}}(x)$

Objective: learn a $p_{\text{model}}(x)$ that matches $p_{\text{data}}(x)$.

Decoding/Generation



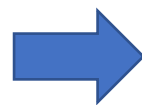
Latent vectors z

Generated Shapes

Generator/Decoder: generating shapes from latent vectors

How to Learn Generative Models

- Explicitly modeling data probabilistic density, learn a network $p_{\theta}(x)$ that maximize data probability
- Implicitly modeling probabilistic density, e.g. learn a network that scores how “real” the generated data is, $f_{\theta}(x)$



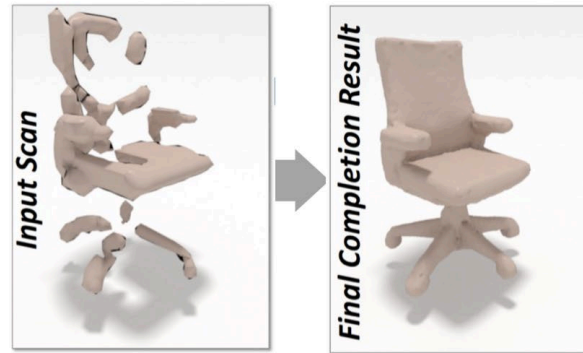
- Markov chain
- Autoregressive models
- Variational autoencoder (VAE)
- Flow-based models
- Structure-based models
- Energy based models
- ...
- Generative adversarial network (GAN)
- Score-based generative
- ...

Generative Model (Conditional)

- Data: (x, y) where x is a **condition** and y is the corresponding **content**.



Single-view 3D reconstruction



Shape completion

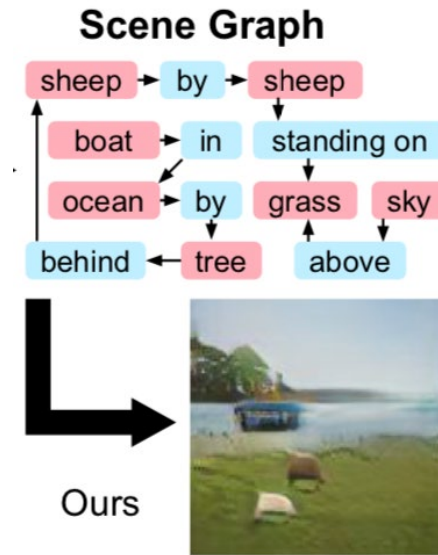
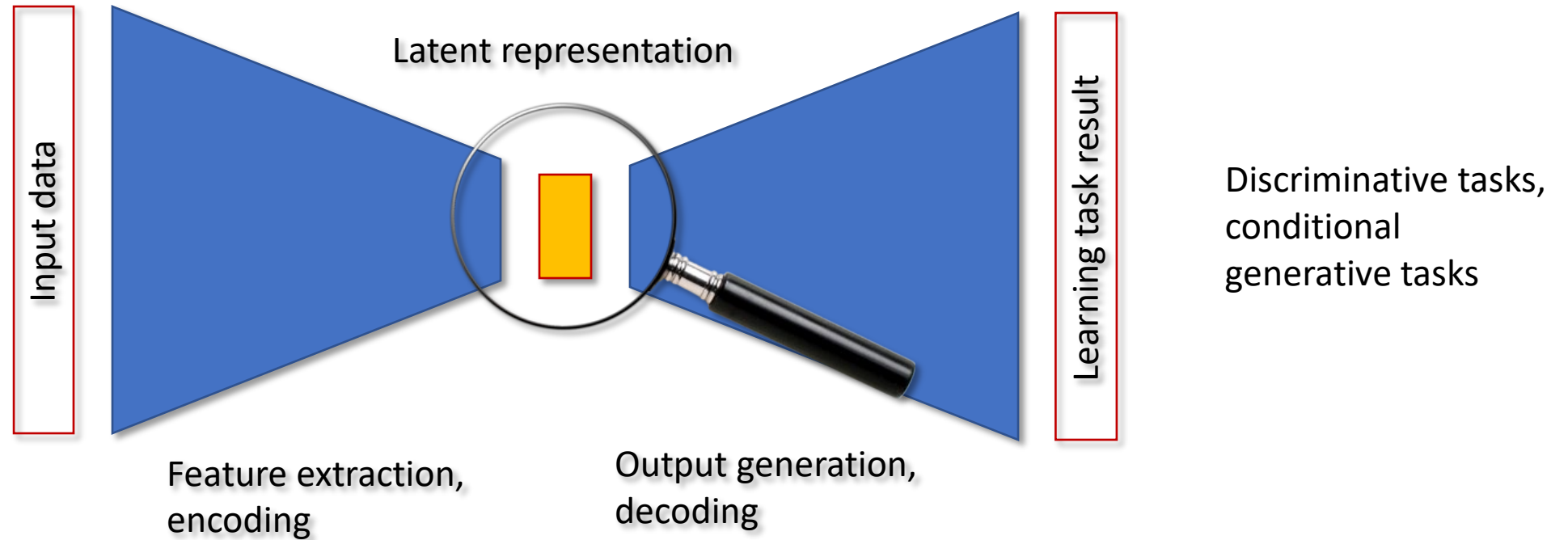


Image generation based on scene-graph

Objective: learn a $p_{\text{model}}(y|x)$ that matches $p_{\text{data}}(y|x)$.

Latent Spaces in Deep Learning

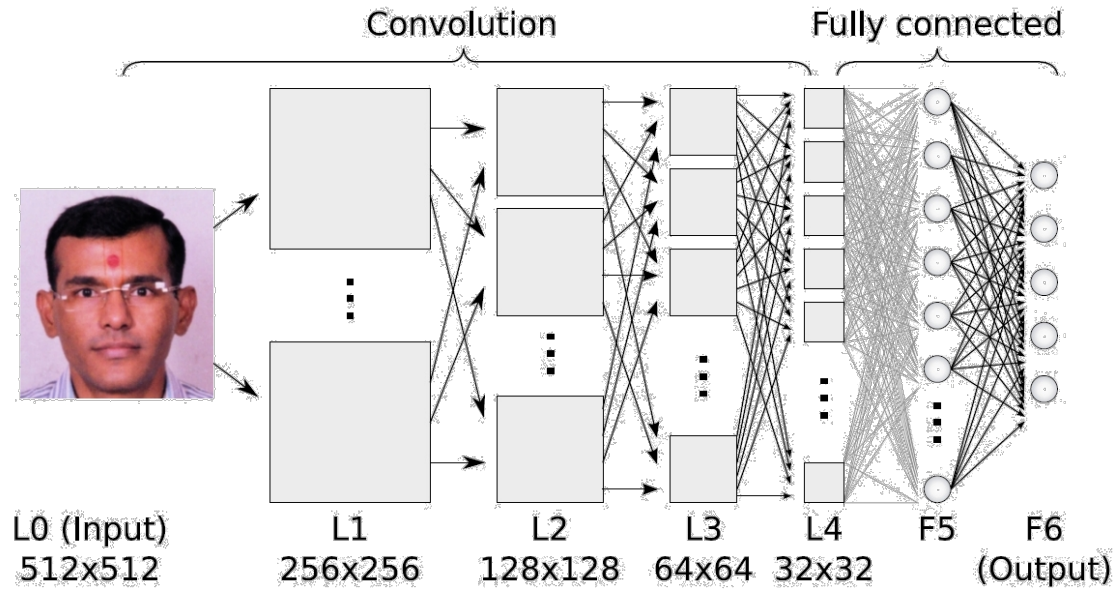


A latent code acts as a low-d proxy for input data w.r.t. a learning task

3D Representations and Learning Frameworks

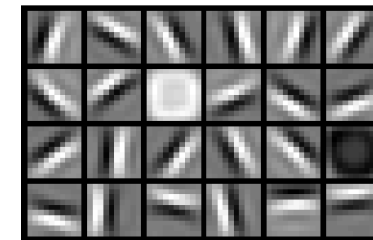
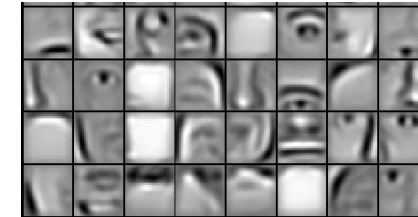
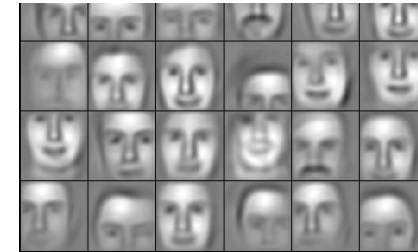
Encoding

Convolutional Image Networks



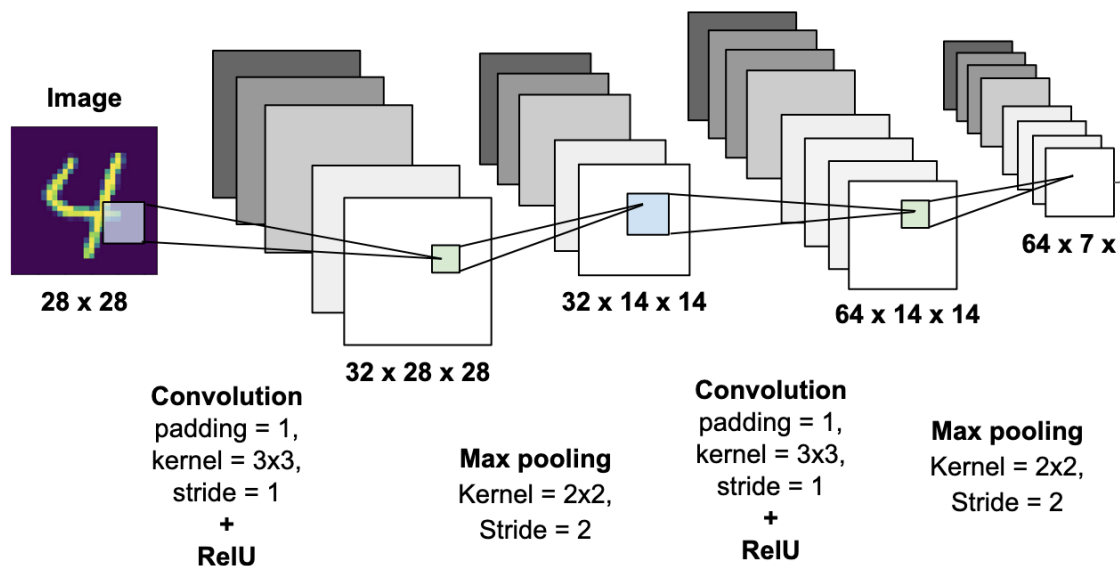
[Makwana, 2016]

Encoder



[Lee et al., 2009]

From 2D to 3D Convolutions: Pixels to Voxels

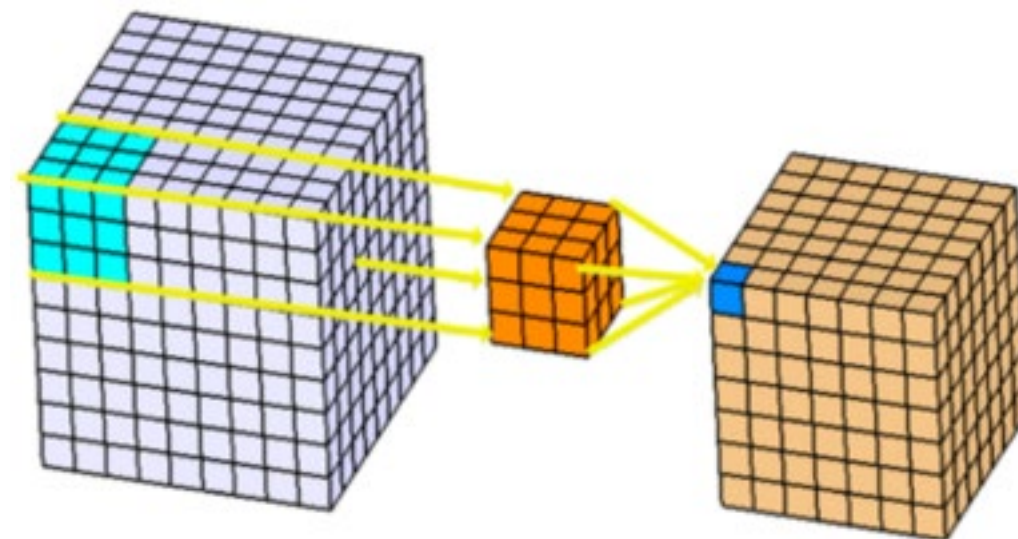


2D convolution

Kernel: $K_h \times K_w$

Kernel weight: $K_h \times K_w \times C_1 \times C_2$

Feature grid: $H \times W \times C$



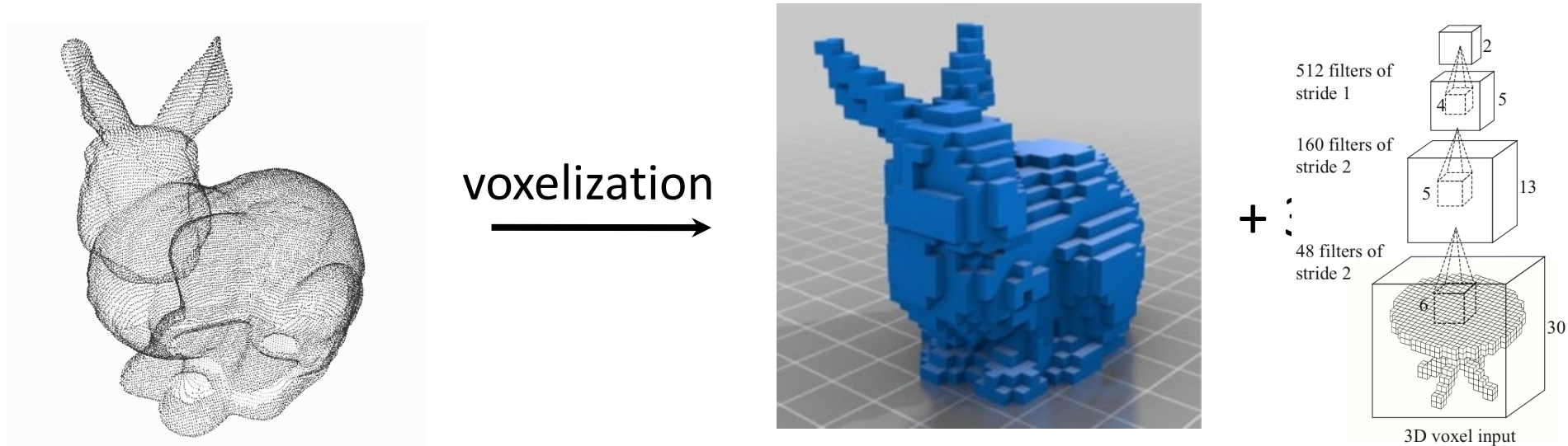
3D convolution

Kernel: $K_h \times K_w \times K_d$

Kernel weight: $K_h \times K_w \times K_d \times C_1 \times C_2$

Feature grid: $H \times W \times D \times C$

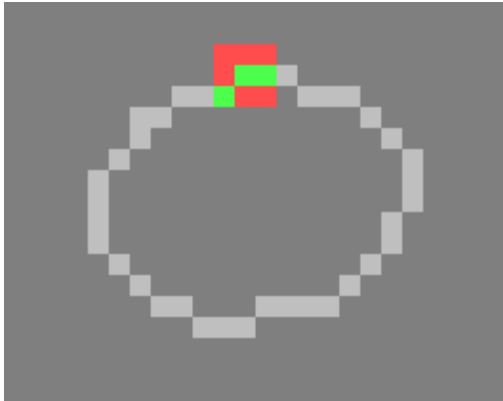
Voxelized 3D Convolution



[Wu et al. 2015]

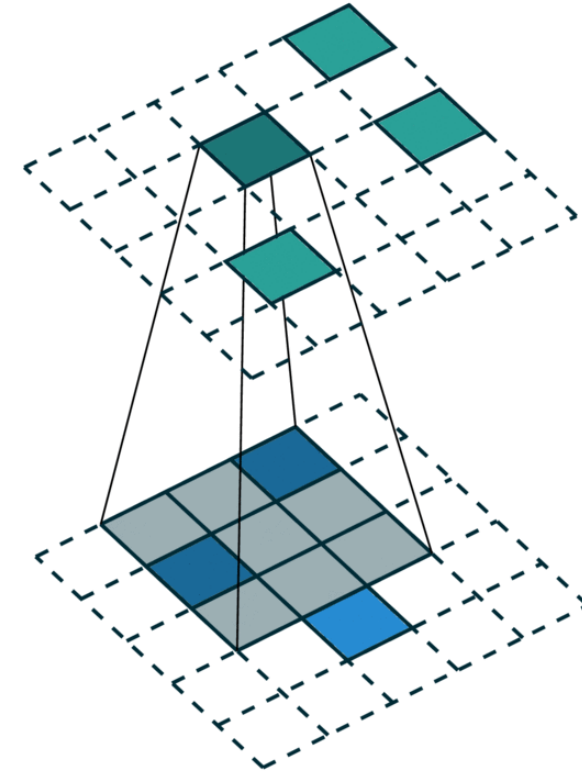
Con: High space complexity -- 3D convolution $O(N^3)$
Quantization errors in voxelization
Not very attractive for generative models

Efficiency: Sparse Convolution



Submanifold sparse convolutional network (from FAIR)

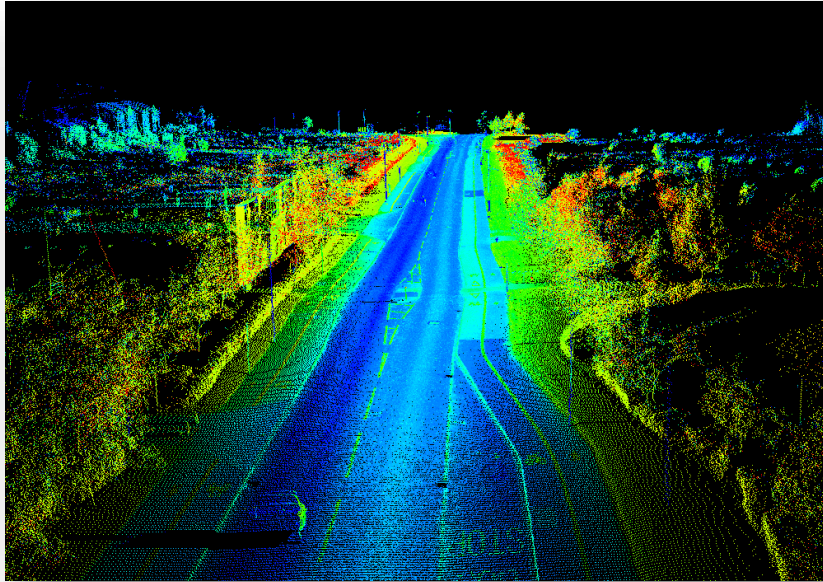
Pro: efficient computation



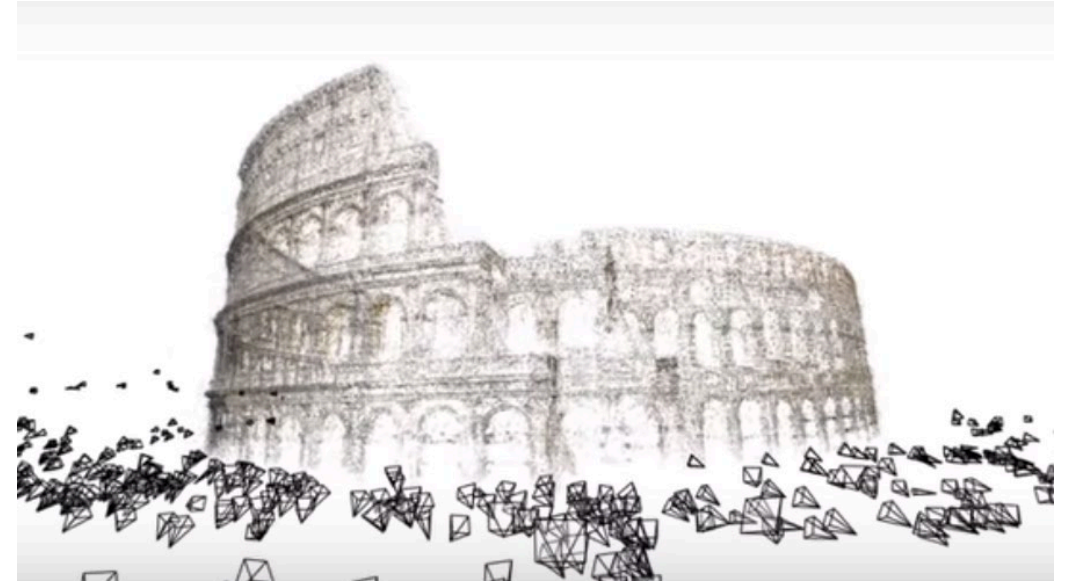
Minkowski Engine (from SVL)

Con: quantization remains

Point Clouds from Many Sensors



Lidar point clouds (LizardTech)



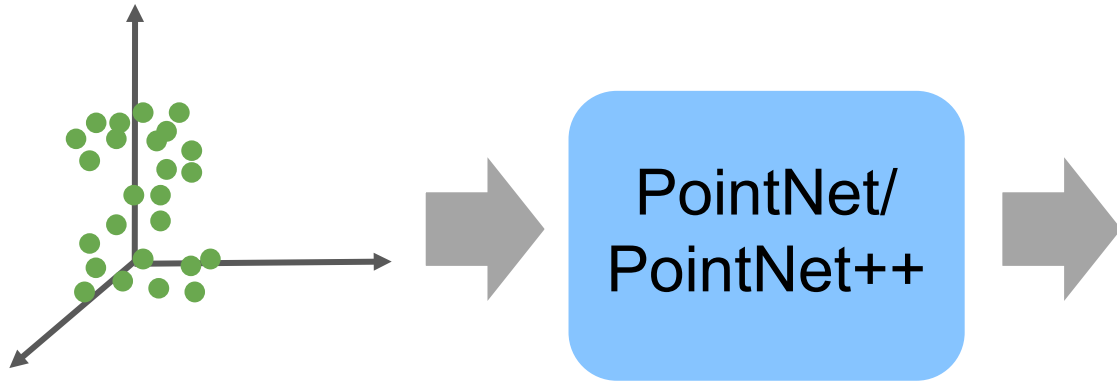
Structure from motion (Microsoft)

Depth camera (Intel)



But irregular!

PointNet++: Convolutions on Point Clouds



Object Classification

Object Part Segmentation

Semantic Scene Parsing

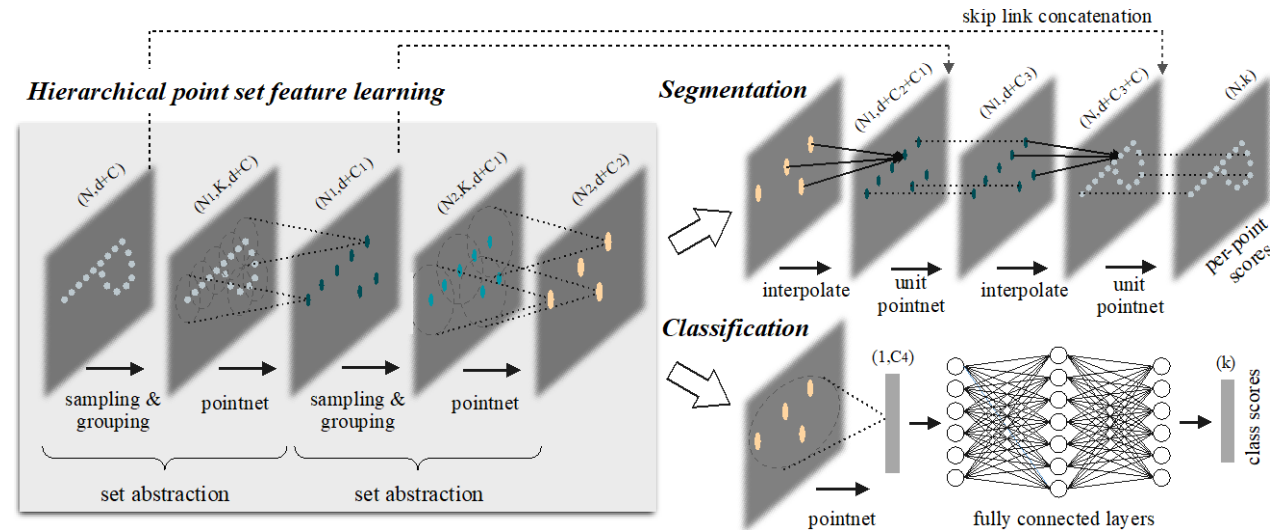
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End-to-end learning for irregular point data

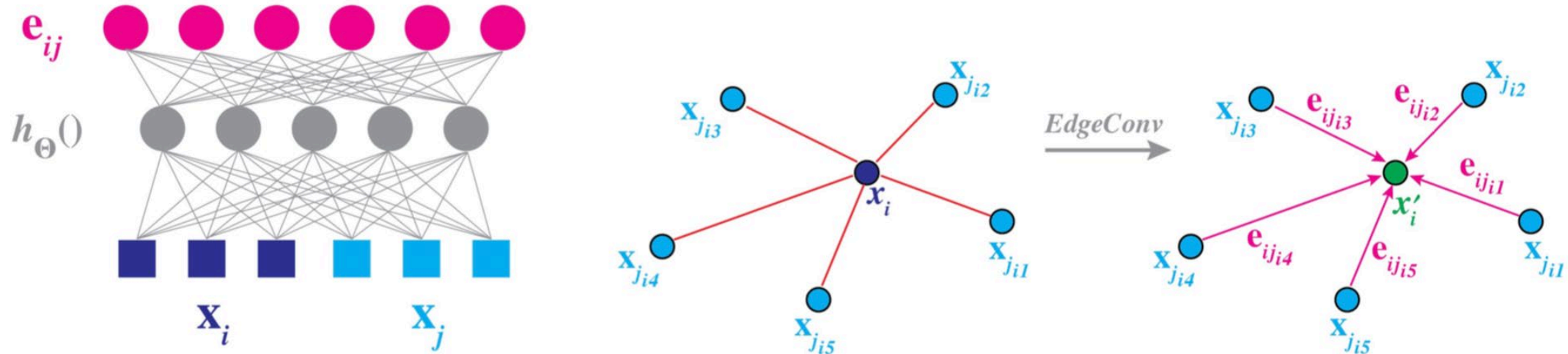
Unified framework for various tasks

Charles R. Qi, Hao Su, Kaichun Mo, Leonidas J. Guibas.
PointNet: Deep Learning on Point Sets for 3D
Classification and Segmentation (CVPR'17)

Charles R. Qi, Li Yi, Hao Su, Leonidas Guibas. *PointNet++:
Deep Hierarchical Feature Learning on Point Sets in a
Metric Space* (NeurIPS 2017)



Convolution on Mesh/Graph



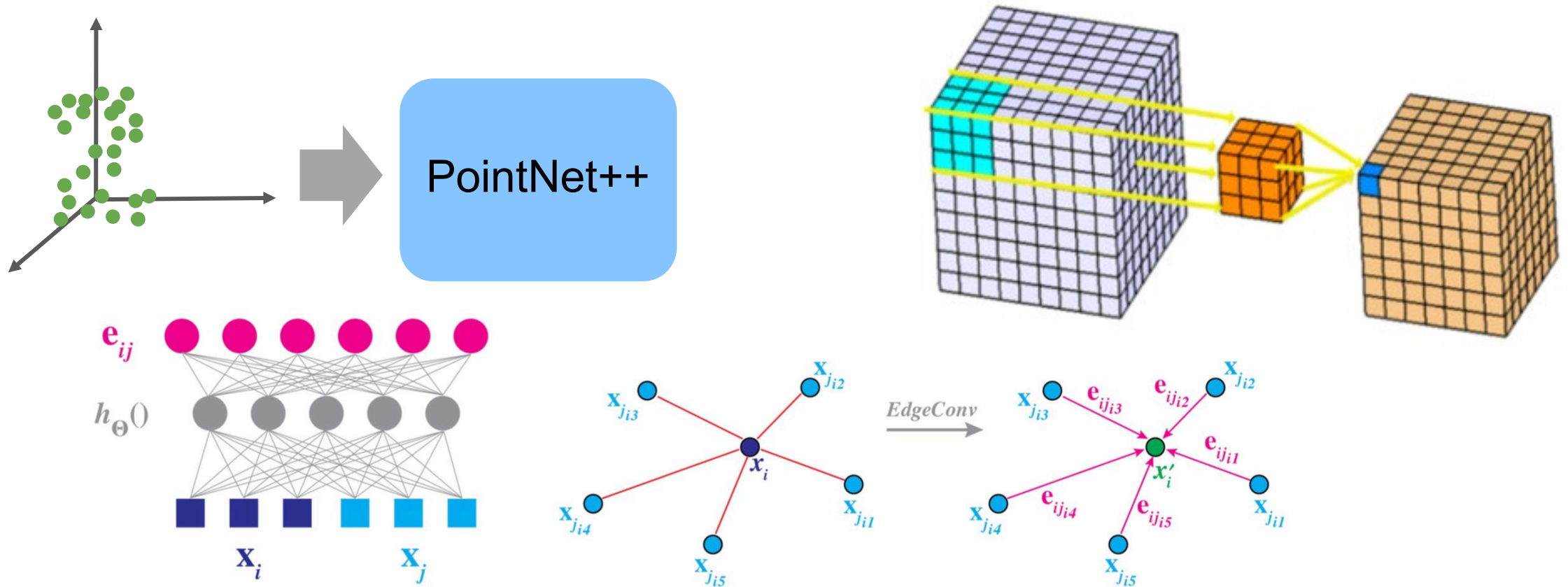
Message passing: The output of EdgeConv at the i -th vertex is thus given by

$$\mathbf{x}'_i = \square_{j:(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} h_{\Theta}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j). \quad (1)$$

3D Representations and Learning Frameworks

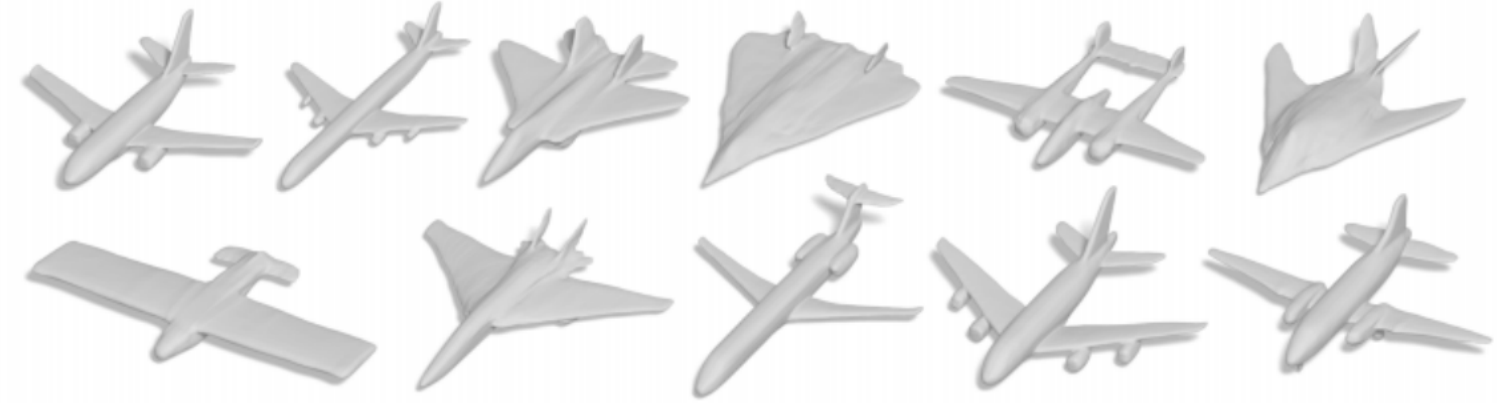
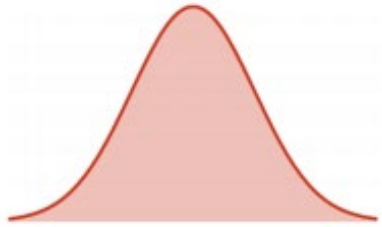
Decoding

Encoding 3D Using Convolution



Encoding: Convolution networks can transform a 3D data into a vector in latent space.

Decoding/Generation



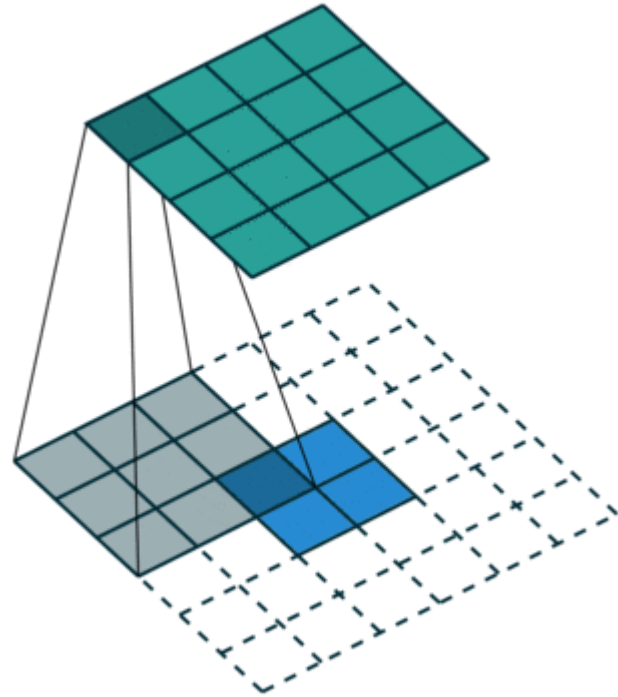
Latent vectors z

Generated Shapes

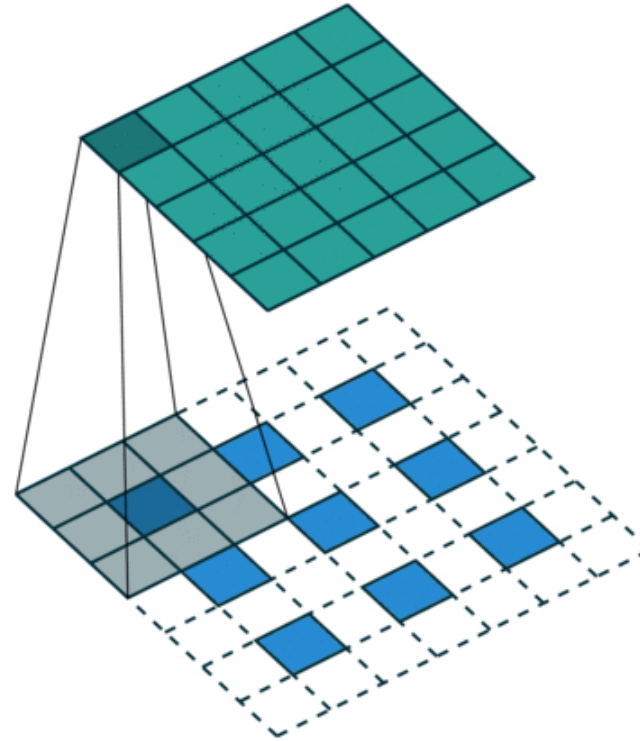
Generator/Decoder: generating shapes from latent vectors

Upsampling and Deconvolution (Transposed Conv)

Stride = 1,
Padding = 0



Stride = 2,
Padding = 1



- **Padding (p):** The number of zeros padded around the original input increasing the size to $(i+2*p) \times (i+2*p)$
- **Stride (s):** The amount by which the kernel is shifted when sliding across the input image.

Image credit:


https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv_arithmetic

Decoders Really Matter for Generative Models



Published: 14 March 2019

The Devil is in the Decoder: Classification, Regression and GANs

[Zbigniew Wojna](#) , [Vittorio Ferrari](#), [Sergio Guadarrama](#), [Nathan Silberman](#), [Liang-Chieh Chen](#), [Alireza Fathi](#) & [Jasper Uijlings](#)

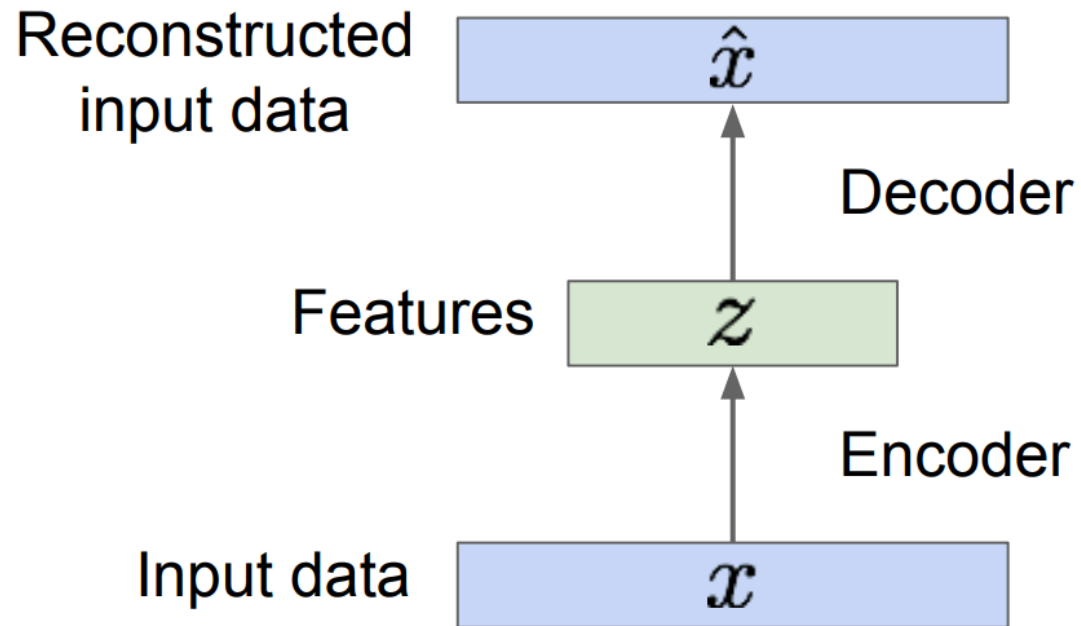
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Abstract

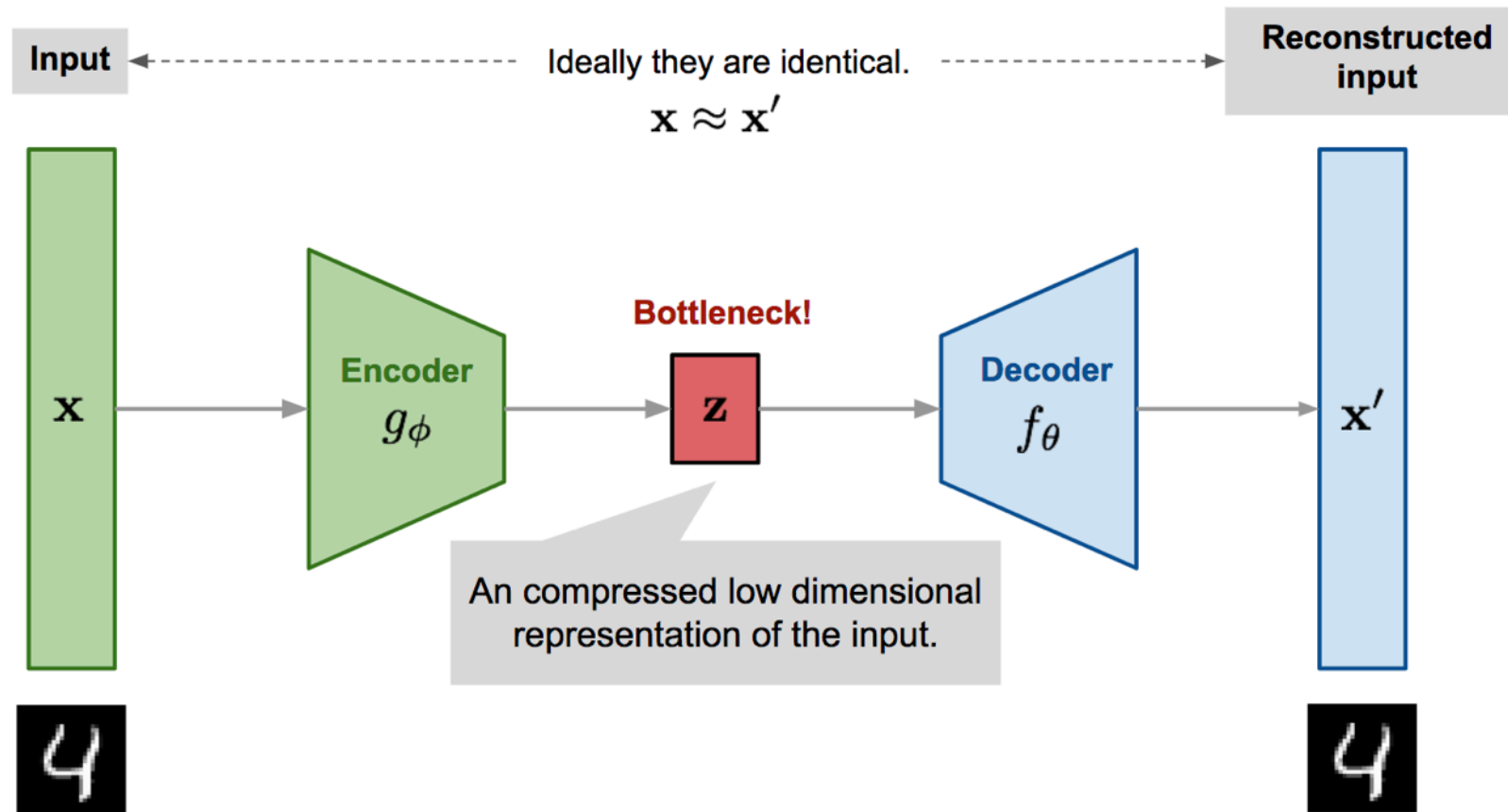
Many machine vision applications, such as semantic segmentation and depth prediction, require predictions for every pixel of the input image. Models for such problems usually consist of encoders which decrease spatial resolution while learning a high-dimensional representation, followed by decoders who recover the original input resolution and result in low-dimensional predictions. While encoders have been studied rigorously, relatively few studies address the decoder side. This paper presents an extensive comparison of a variety of decoders for a variety of pixel-wise tasks ranging from classification, regression to synthesis.

Auto-Encoder



- AE encodes itself into a latent z
- AE then decodes the latent z back to itself
- Understanding AE is the first step to understand generative models.

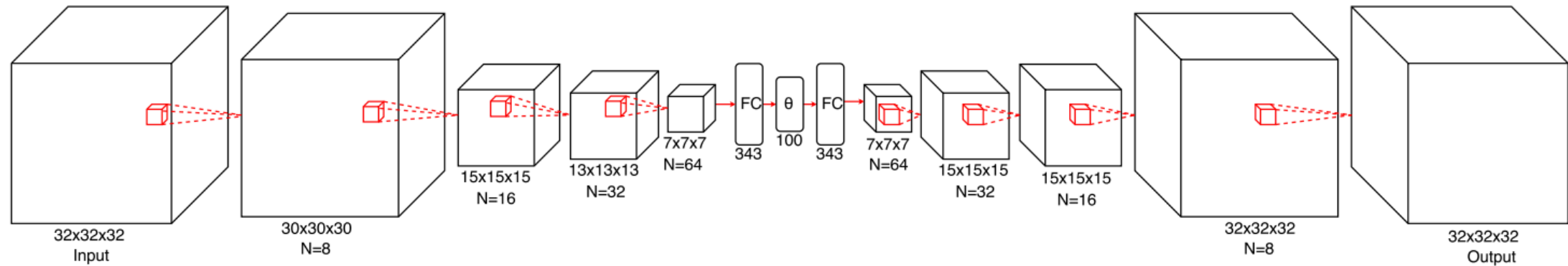
Auto-Encoder Training (Self-Supervised)



Task: Learn to encode the input and decode itself

Reconstruction loss: measuring the distance between the input/output

Volumetric AE



Binary Cross-Entropy Loss: $\mathcal{L} = -t \log(o) - (1 - t) \log(1 - o)$



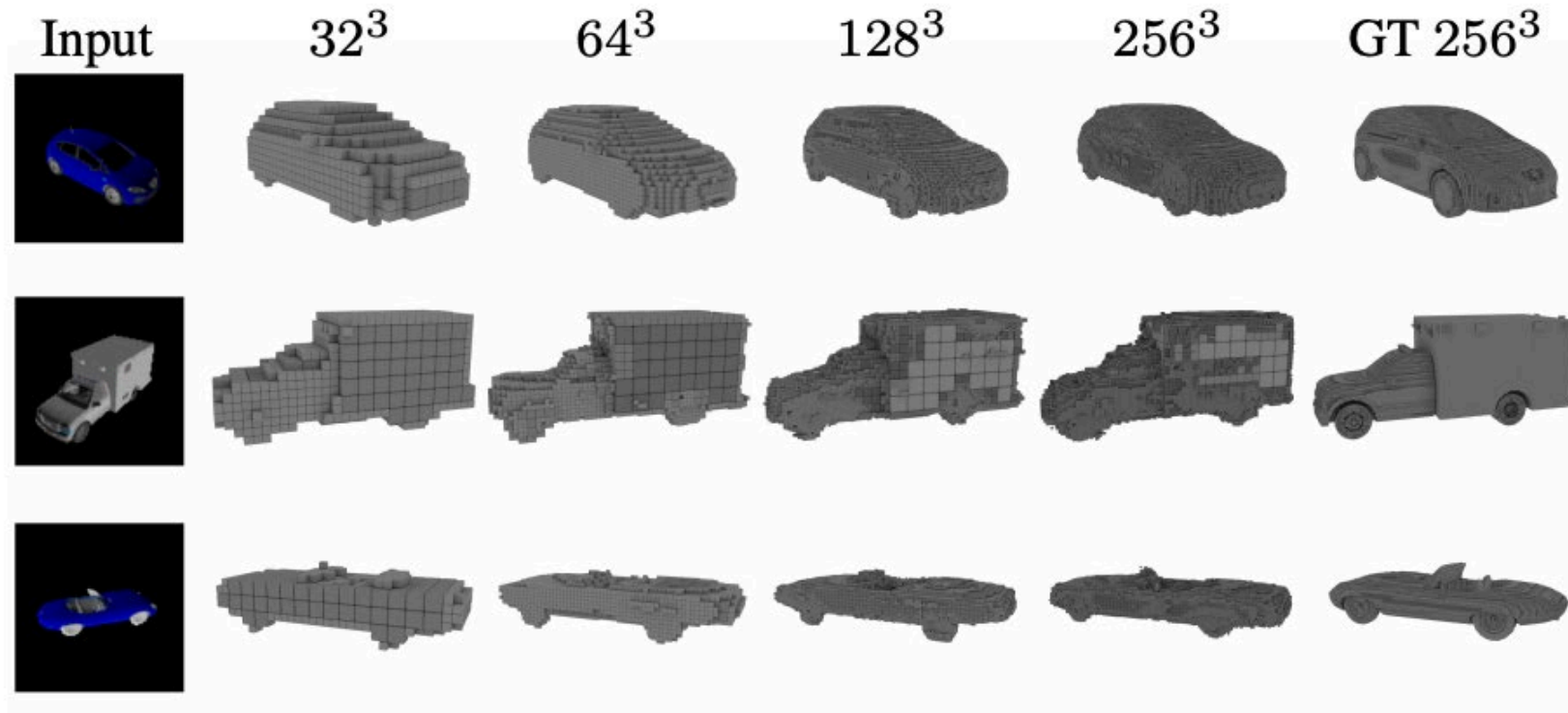
CoRR 2016

Generative and Discriminative Voxel Modeling with Convolutional Neural Networks

Auto-Encoder Connecting 2D and 3D

Encoder: 2D Conv

Decoder: 3D Deconv (Octree decoder)

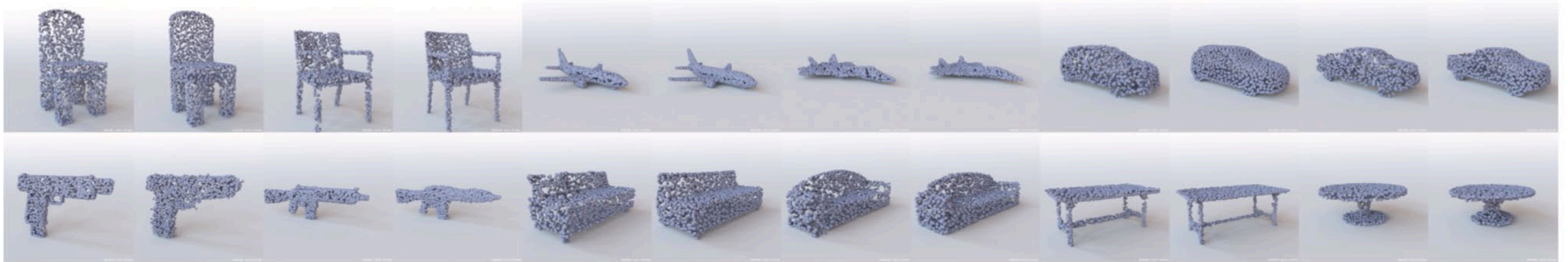


Tatarchenko et al., “Octree Generating Networks: Efficient Convolutional Architectures for High-resolution 3D Outputs”, *ICCV 2017*

Point Cloud AE

Encoder: PointNet ($N*3 \rightarrow L$)

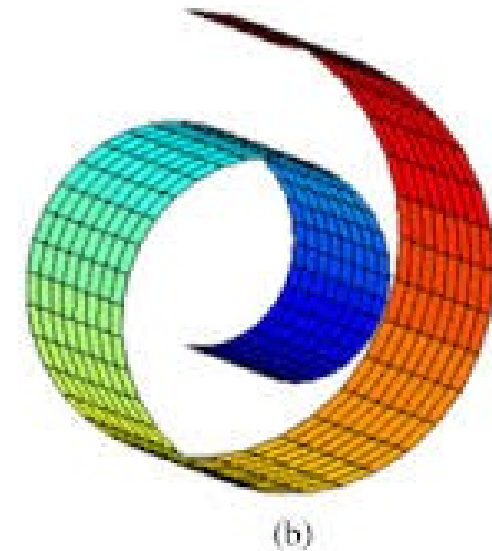
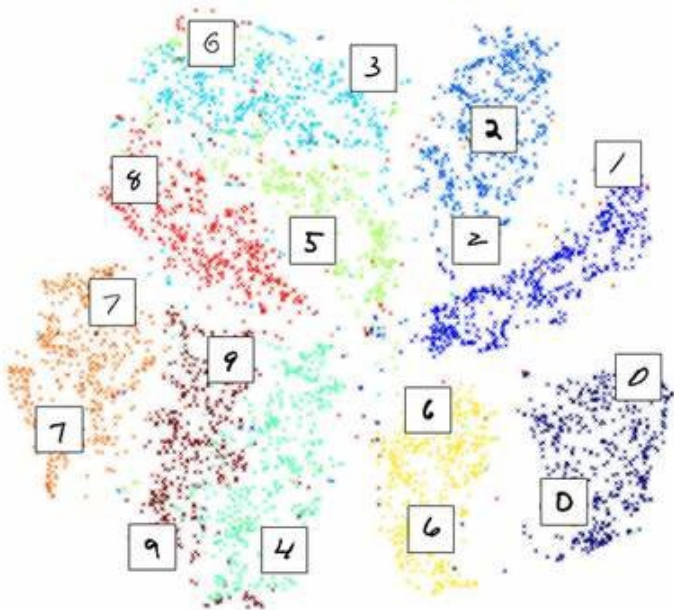
Decoder: MLP ($L \rightarrow 3N \rightarrow N*3$)



ICML, 2018, Learning Representations and Generative Models for 3D Point Clouds, Panos Achlioptas, et. al.

Auto-encoder Latent Space

- Where is the data manifold in the latent space?
- Is a vanilla autoencoder a generative model?



Need to “structure” the latent space

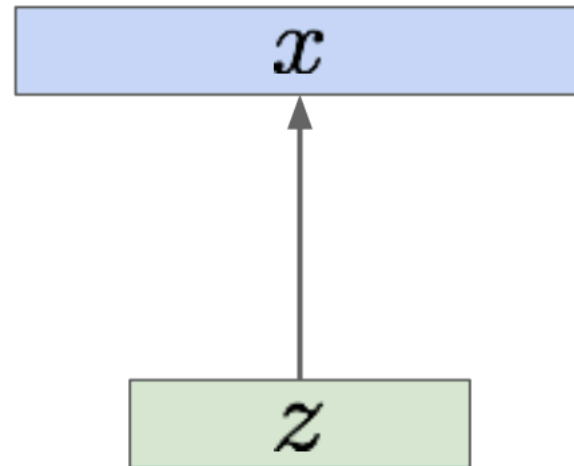
Variational Auto-Encoder

Sample from
true conditional

$$p_{\theta^*}(x | z^{(i)})$$

Sample from
true prior

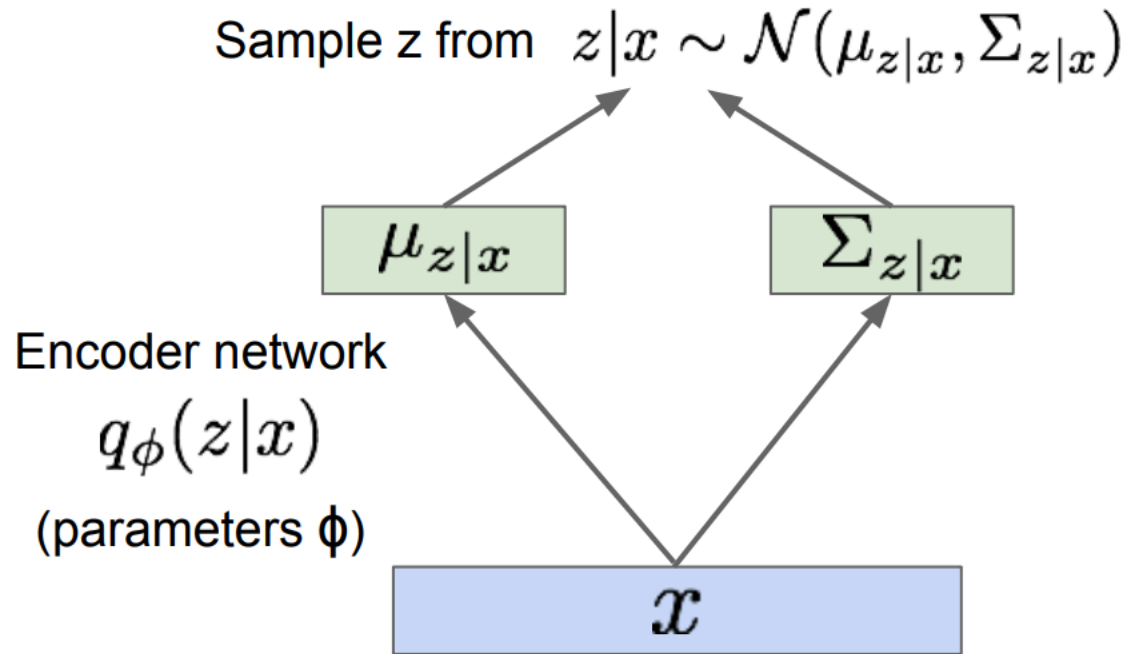
$$p_{\theta^*}(z)$$



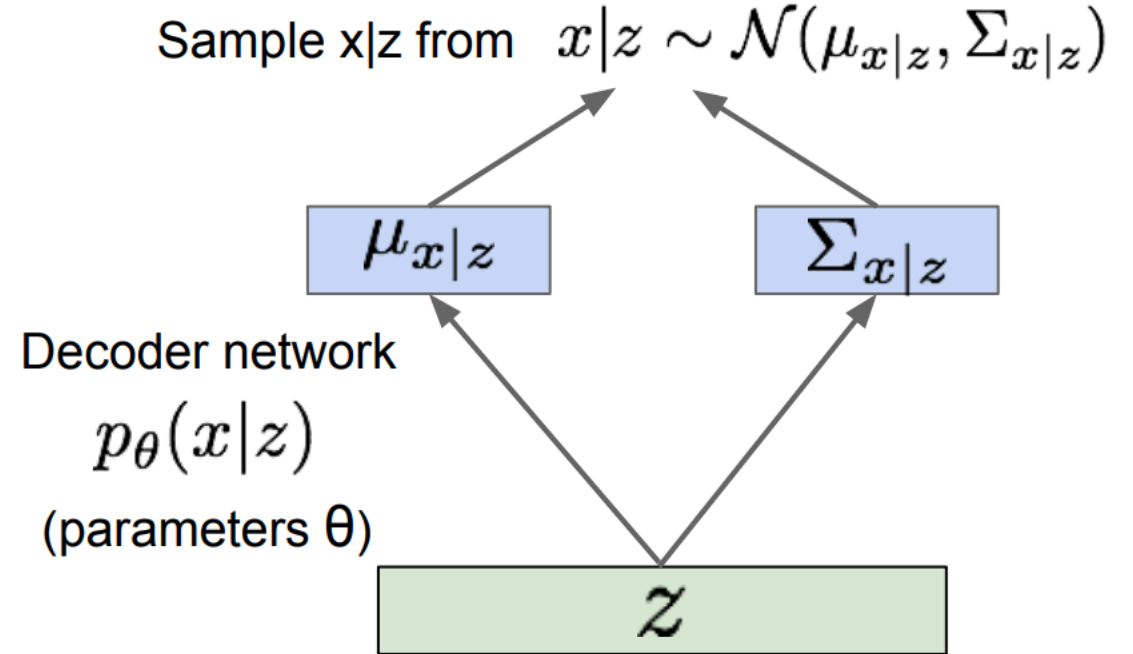
We can assume z follows a distribution.

Choose prior $p(z)$ to be simple, e.g. Gaussian.

Variational Auto-Encoder

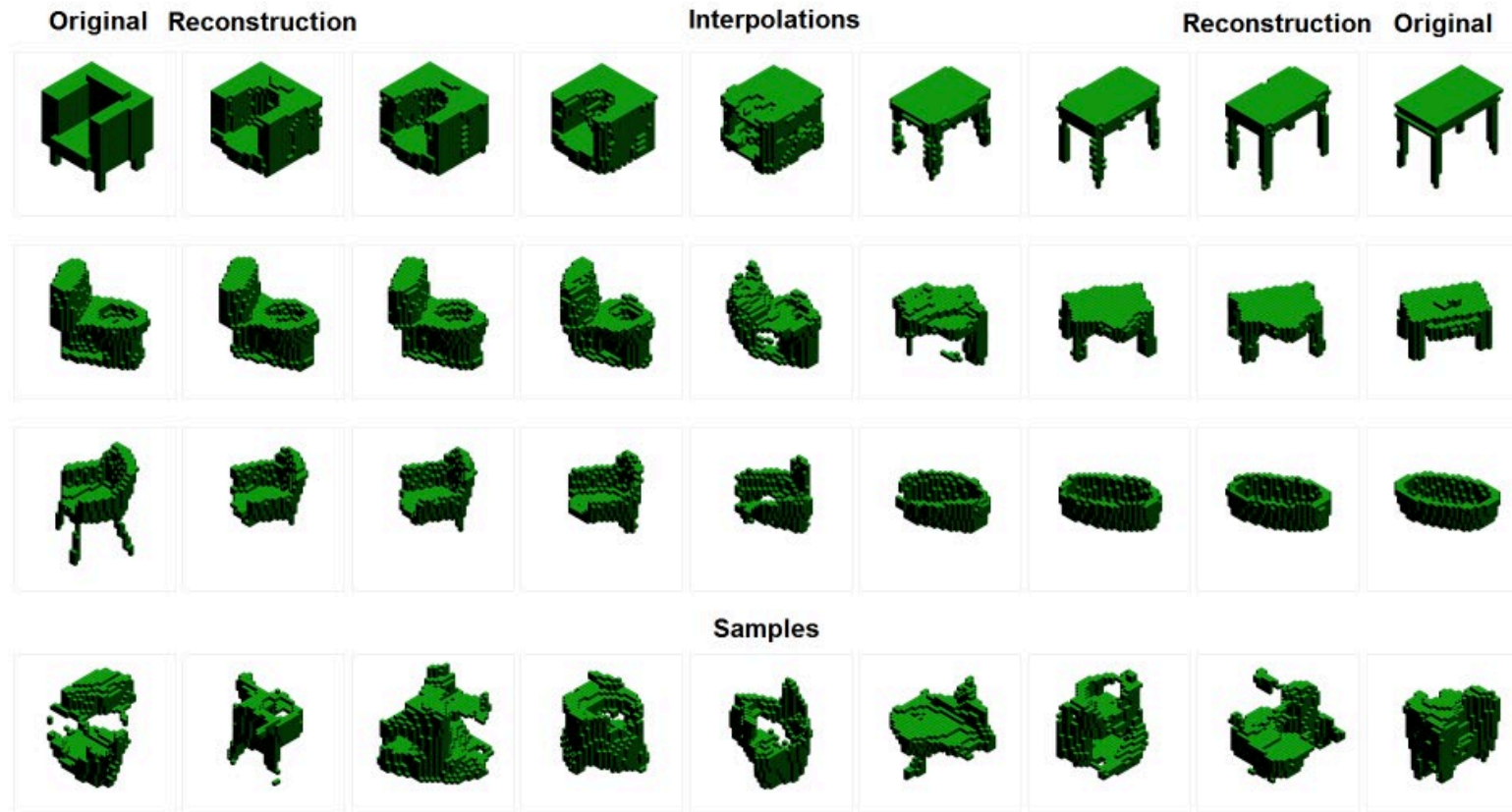


Encoder



Decoder

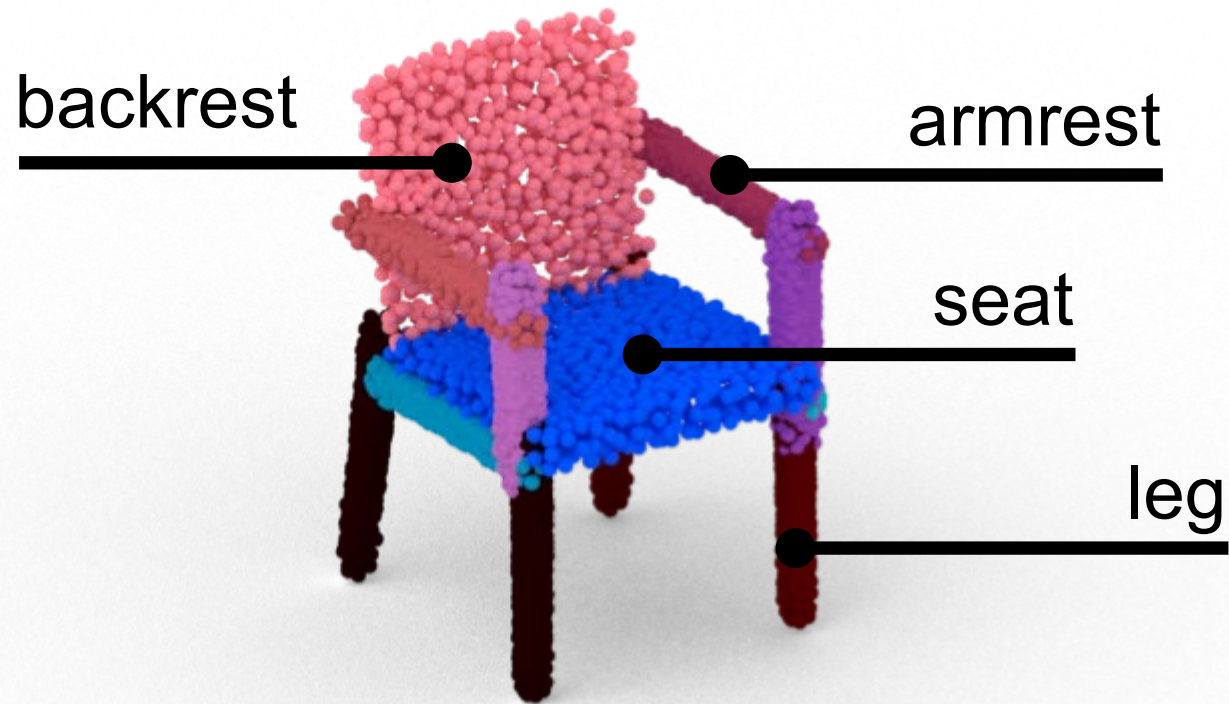
Generating New Samples & Interpolation



CoRR 2016

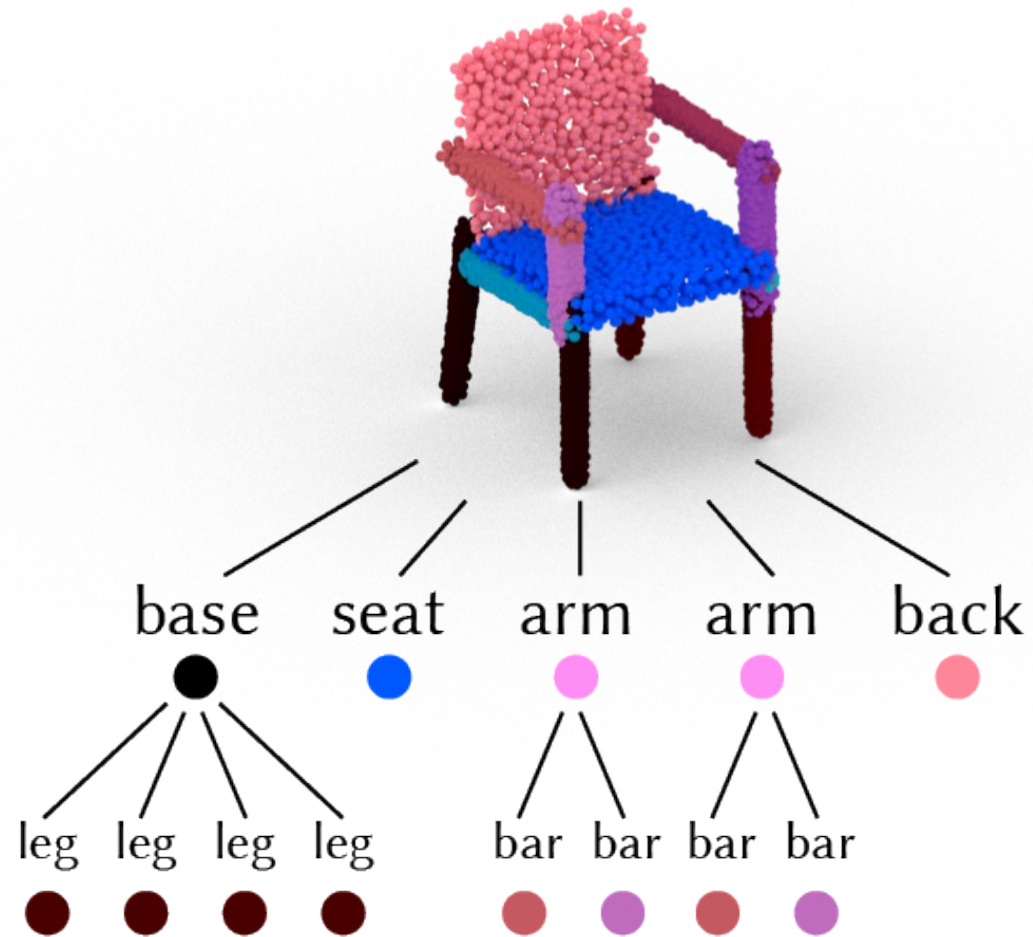
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Geometry and Structure

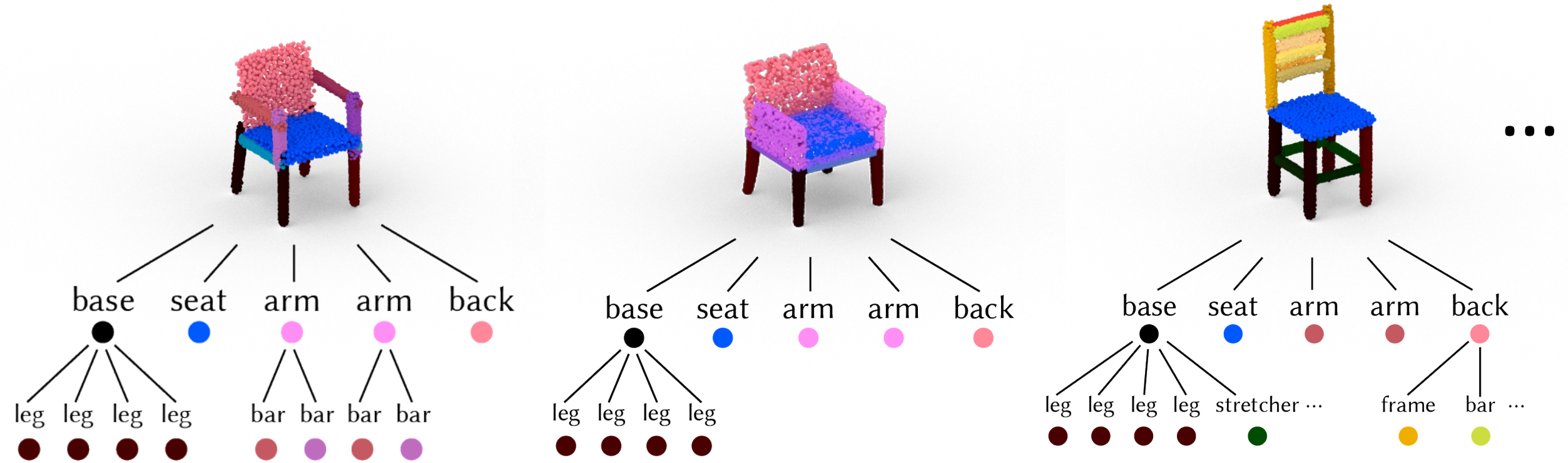


Now with point clouds for the geometry

Structure: Part Hierarchy



Structural Consistency



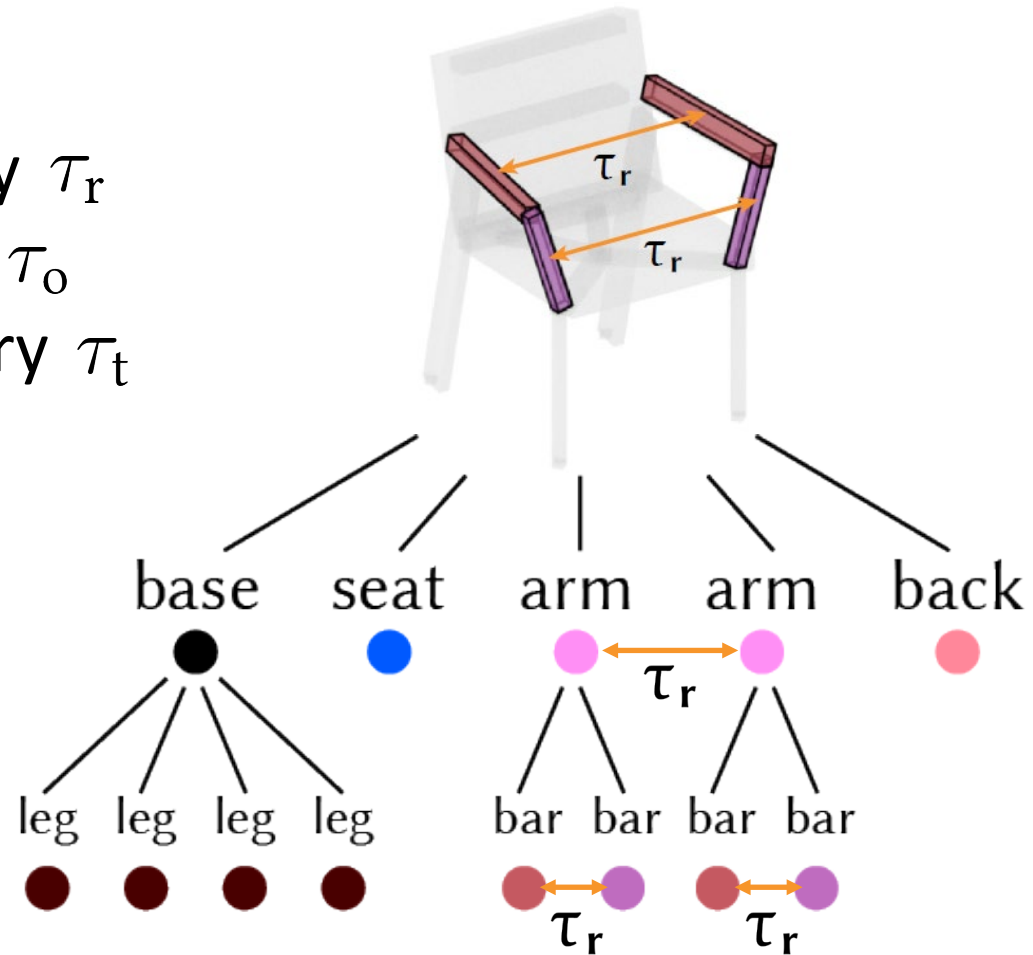
Object Representation: Sibling Relationships

Reflectional Symmetry τ_r

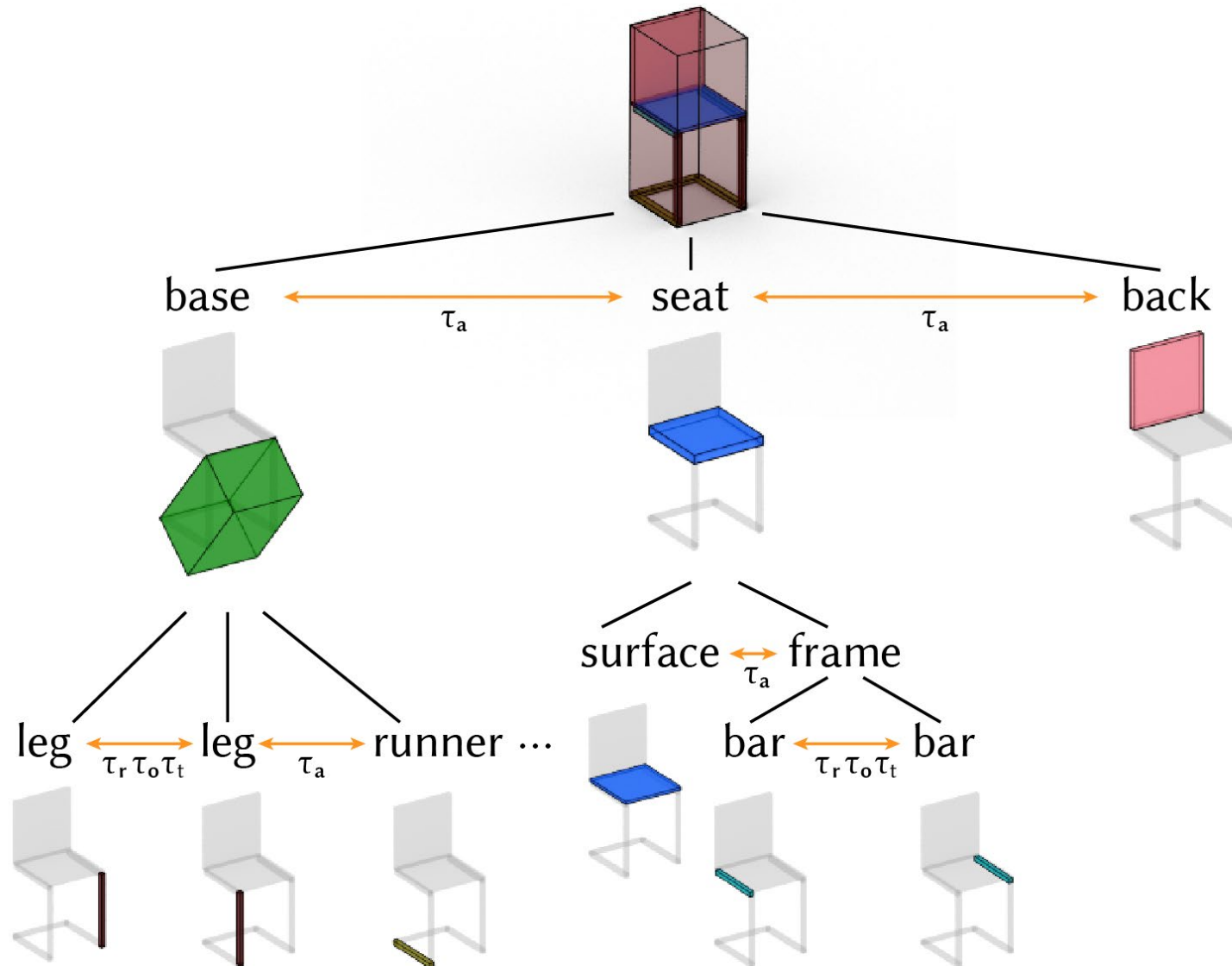
Rotational Symmetry τ_o

Translational Symmetry τ_t

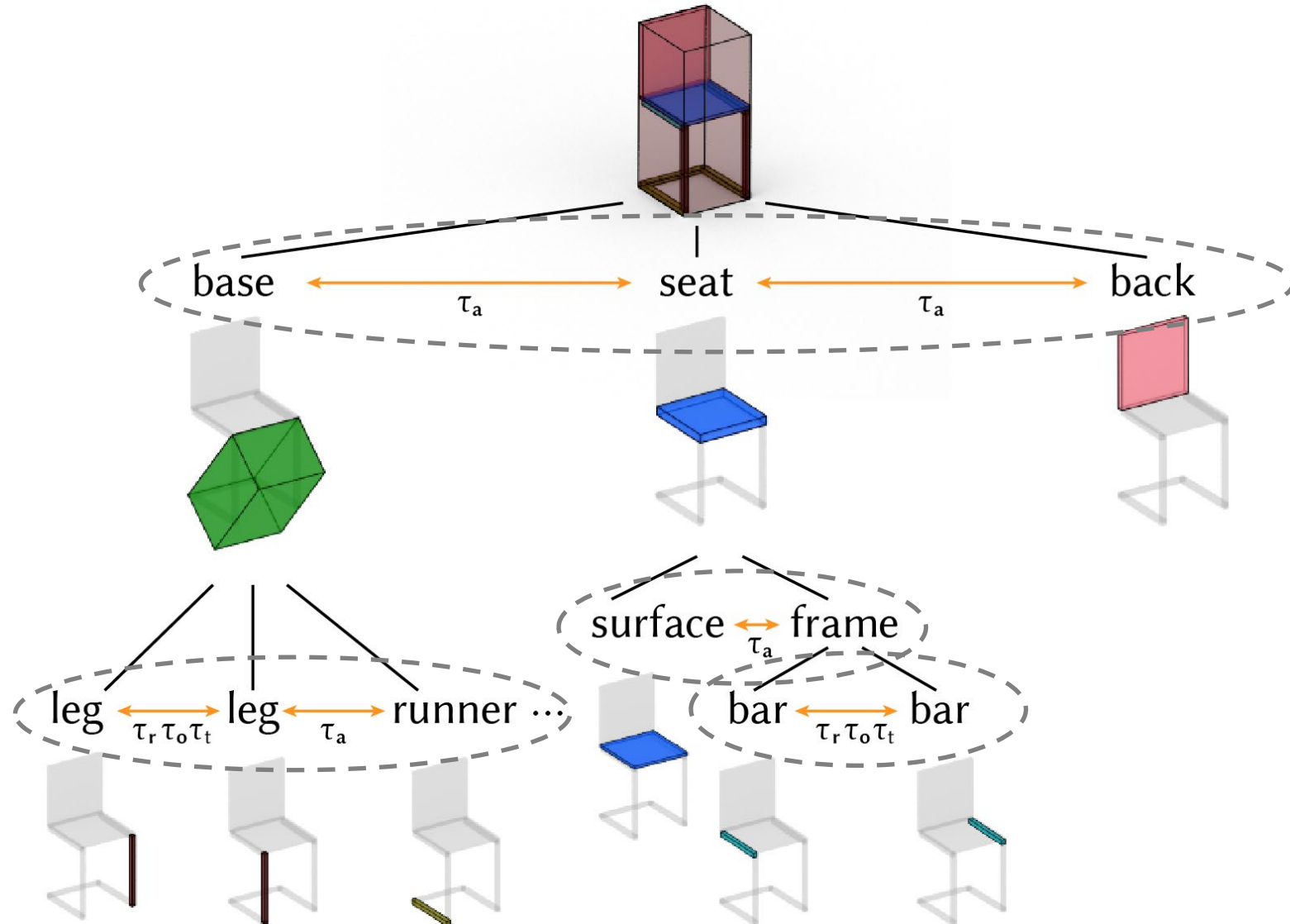
Adjacency τ_a



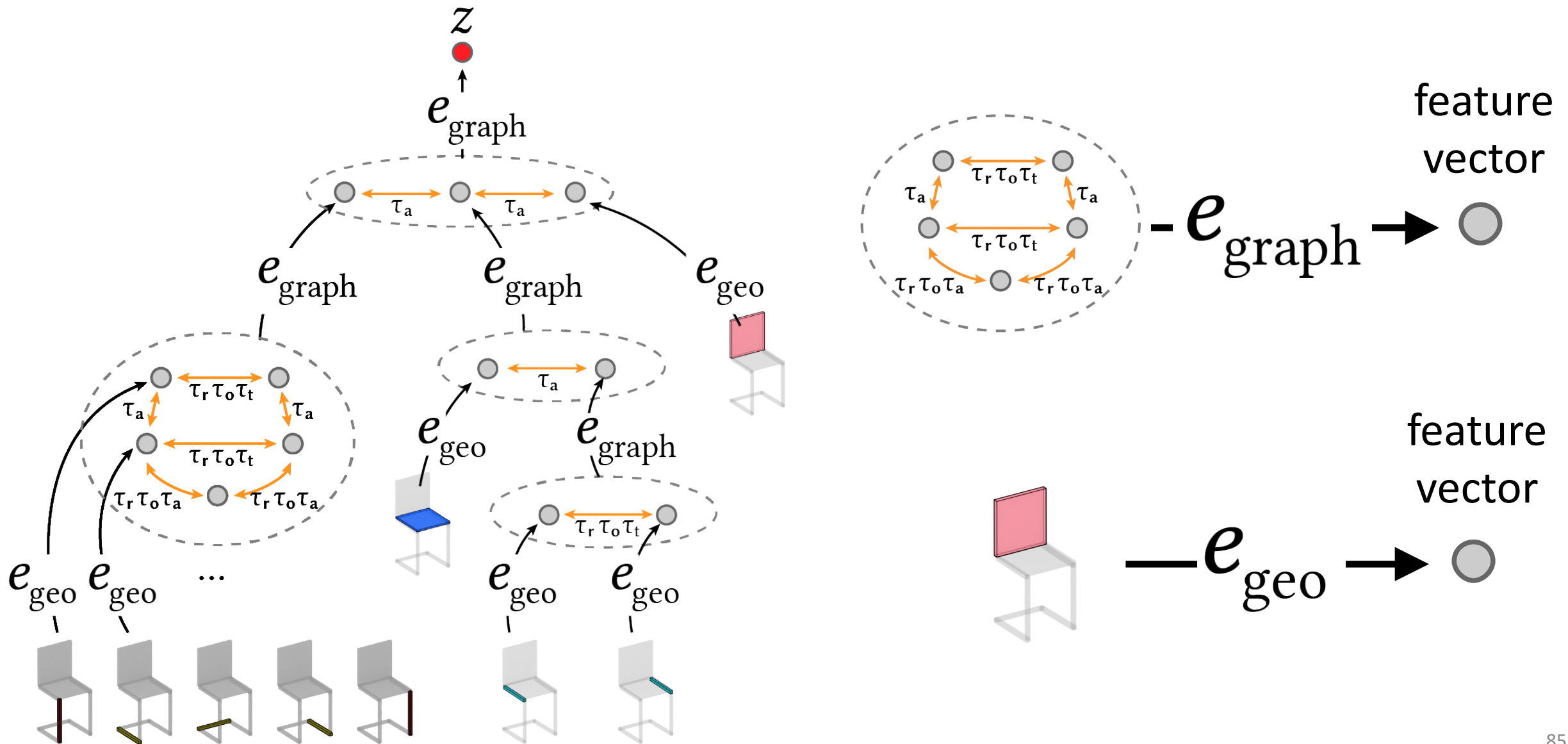
Object Representation: Example



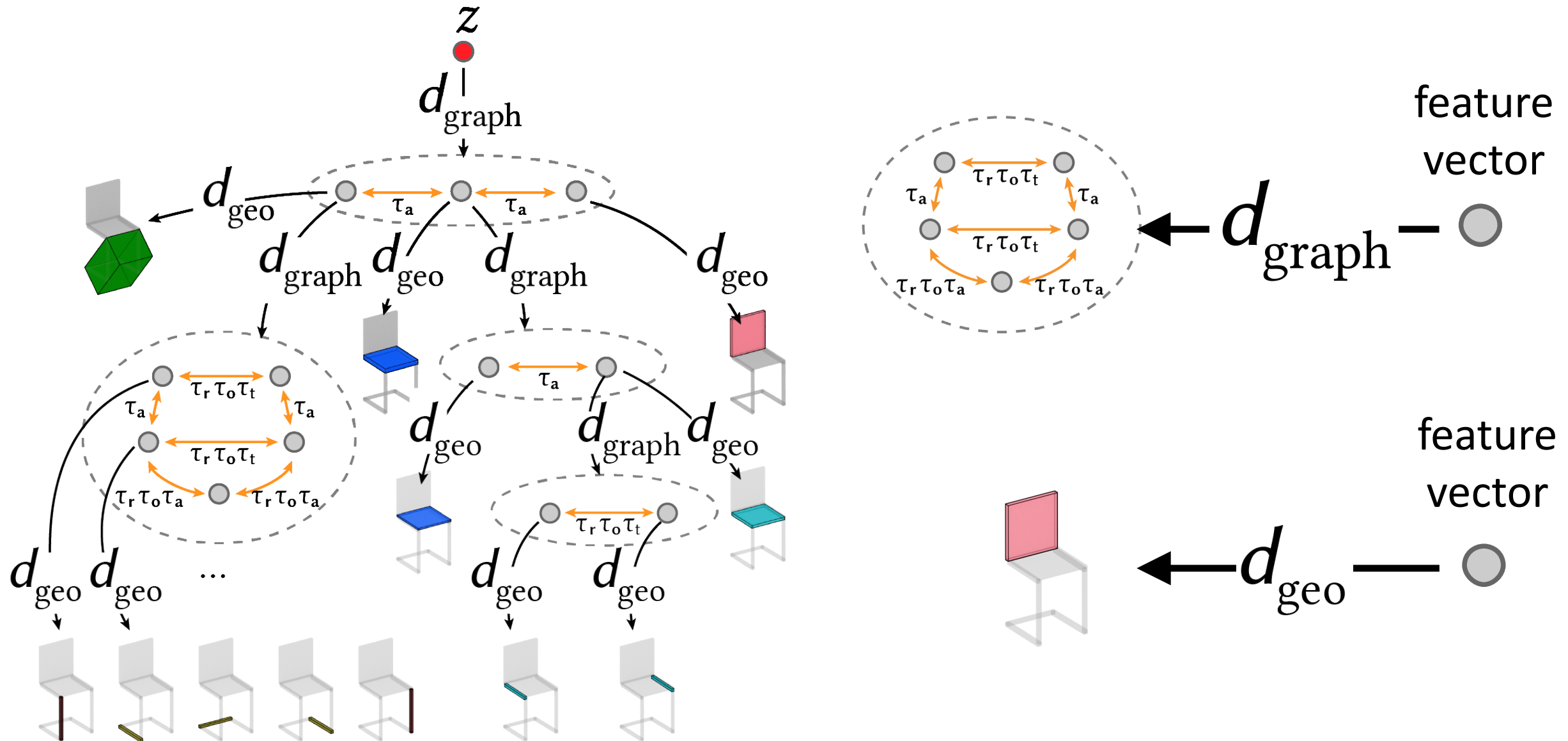
A Hierarchy of Graphs



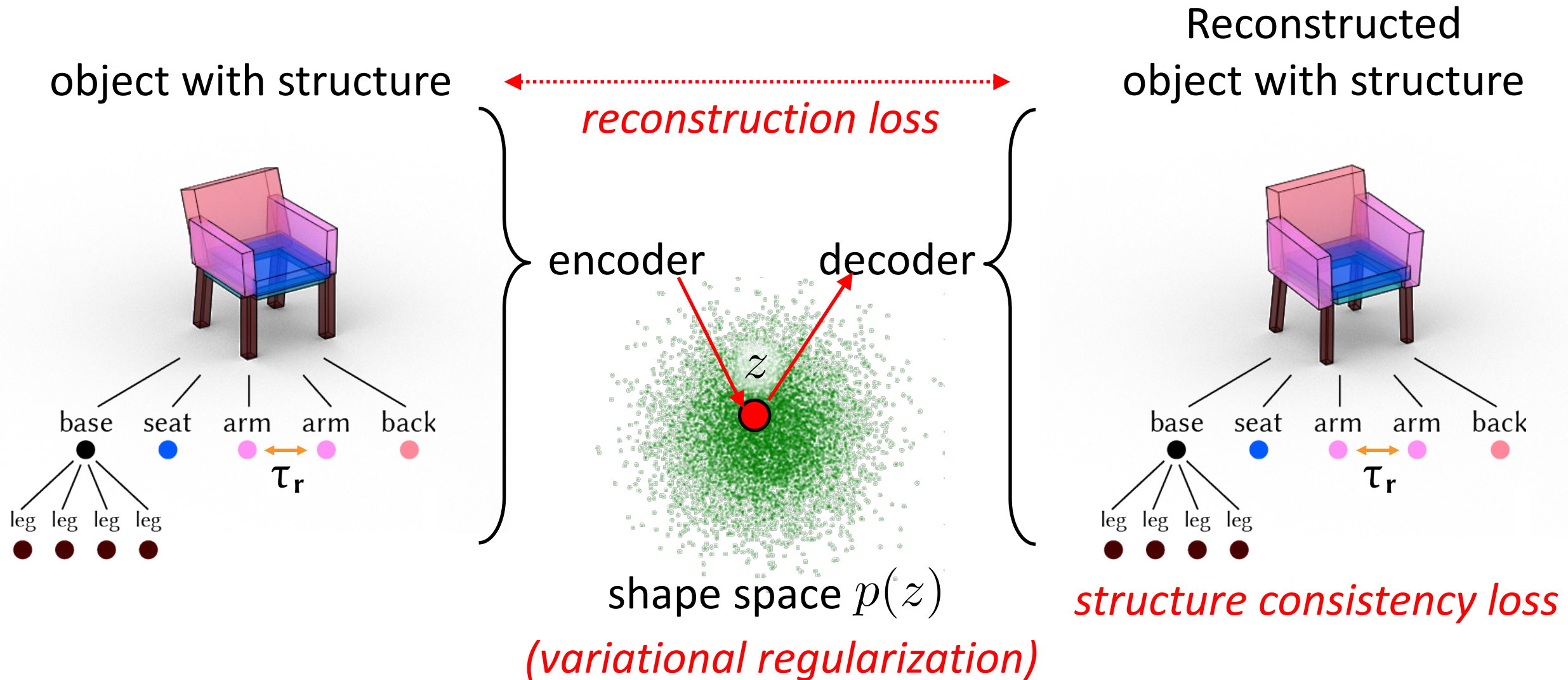
Hierarchical Graph Encoder



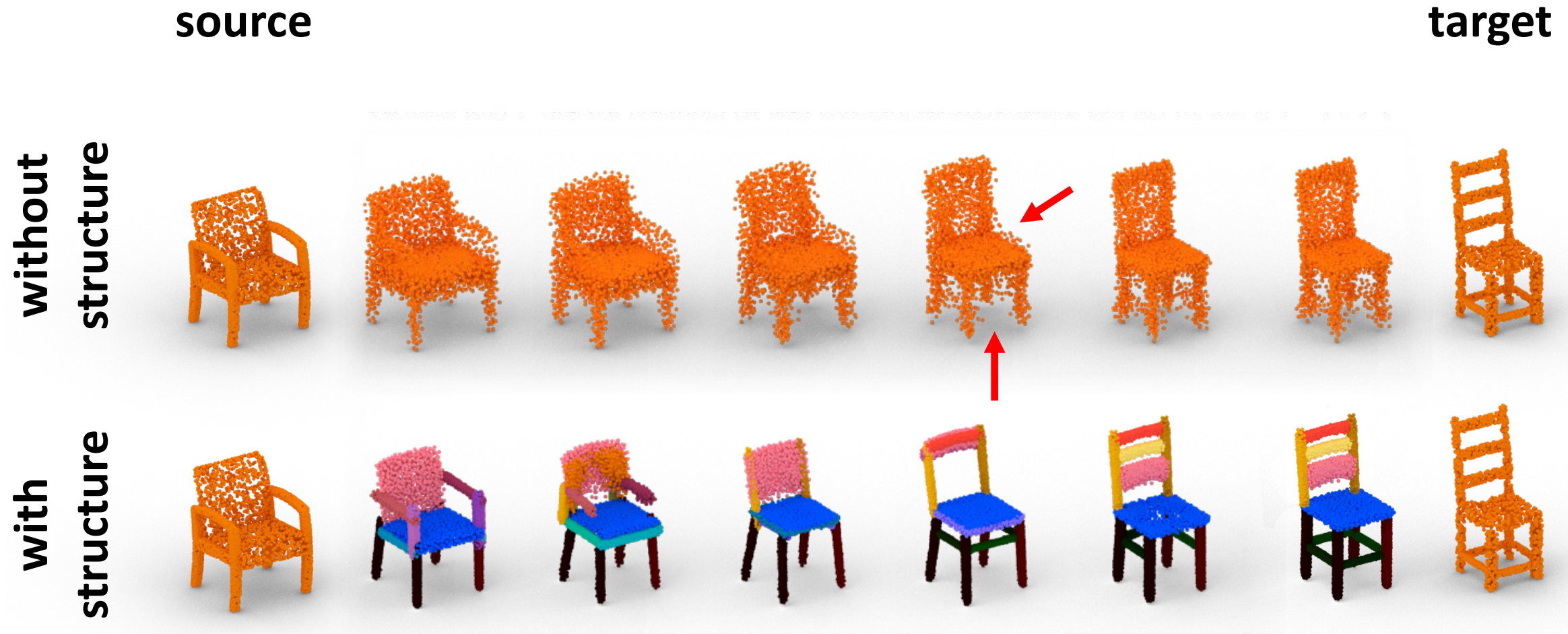
Hierarchical Graph Decoder



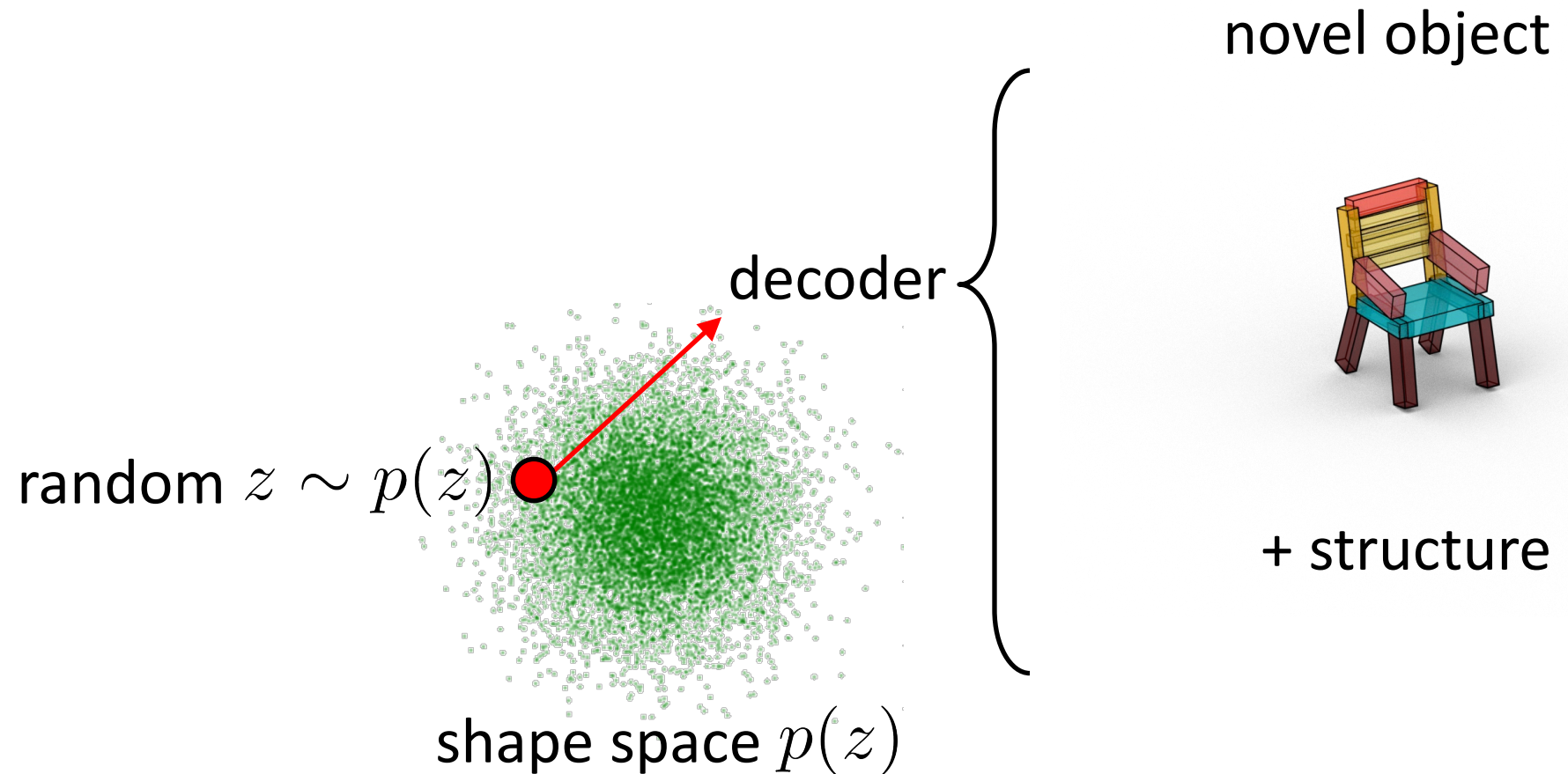
Architecture Overview: VAE Training



Interpolation With vs. Without Structure



Application: Generation



Generation



Flow-Based 3D Generative Model

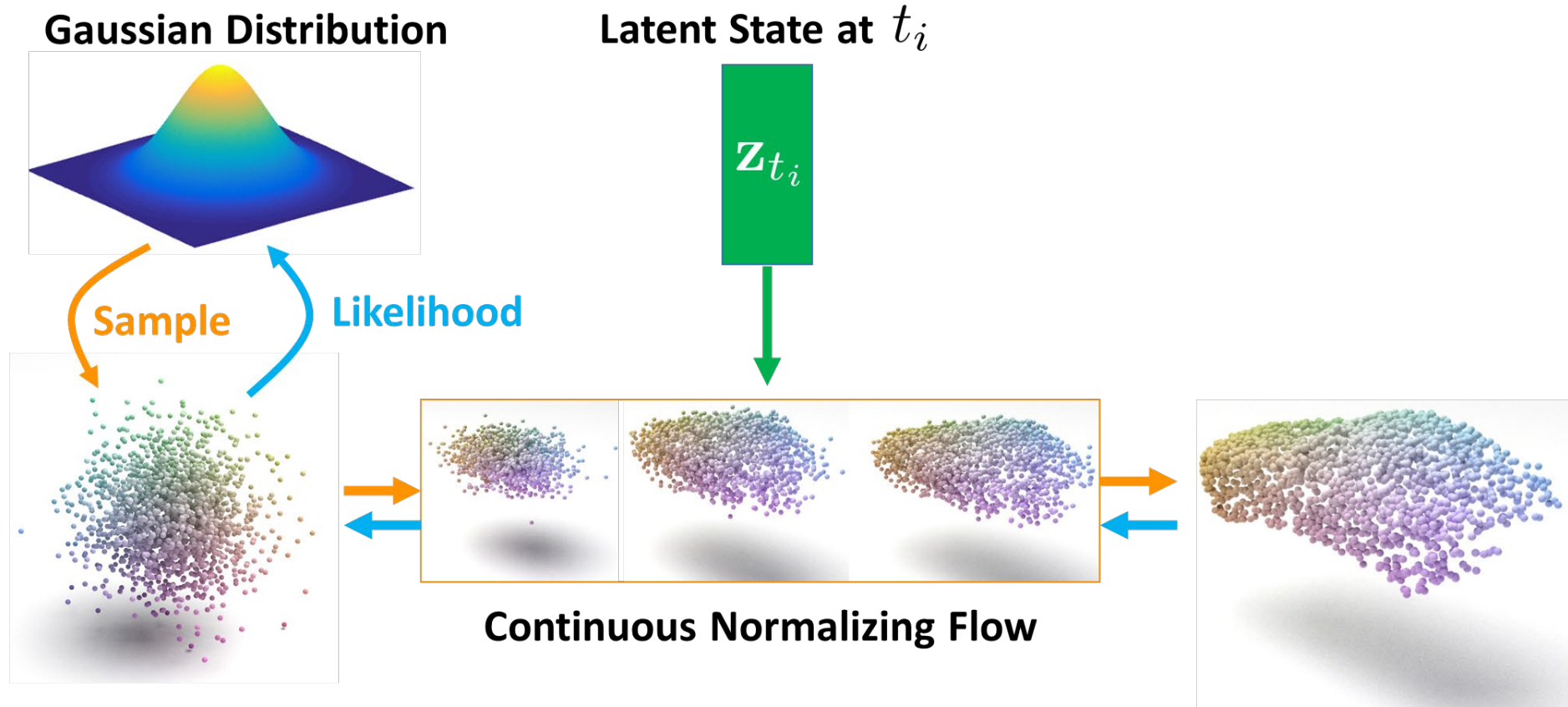


Discrete Point Flow Networks
From Univ. Grenoble Alpes

PointFlow (continuous
normalizing flow)
From Cornell

Note that bijectivity requires same dimensionality.
From left to right: latent points to generated points

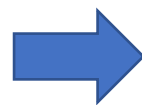
Flow-Based Generative Model



Flow-based model is constructed by a sequence of **invertible transformations**.
Explicitly modeling probability. Loss: negative loglikelihood of $z = f(x)$

How to Learn Generative Models

- Explicitly modeling data probabilistic density, learn a network $p_{\theta}(x)$ that maximize data probability
- Implicitly modeling probabilistic density, e.g. learn a network that scores how “real” the generated data is, $f_{\theta}(x)$

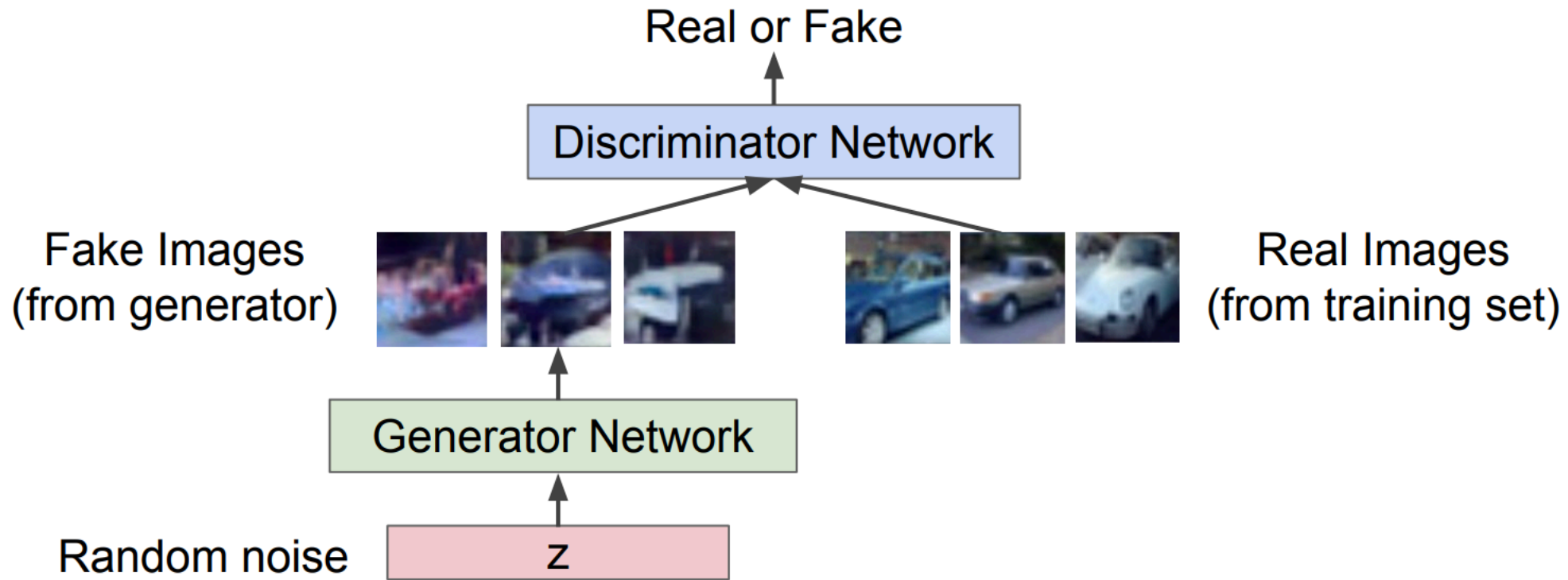


- Markov chain
- Autoregressive models
- Variational autoencoder (VAE)
- Flow-based models
- Structure-based models
- Energy based models
- ...
- Generative adversarial network (GAN)
- Score-based generative
- ...

GAN

Generator network: try to fool the discriminator by generating real-looking images

Discriminator network: try to distinguish between real and fake images



Voxel GAN

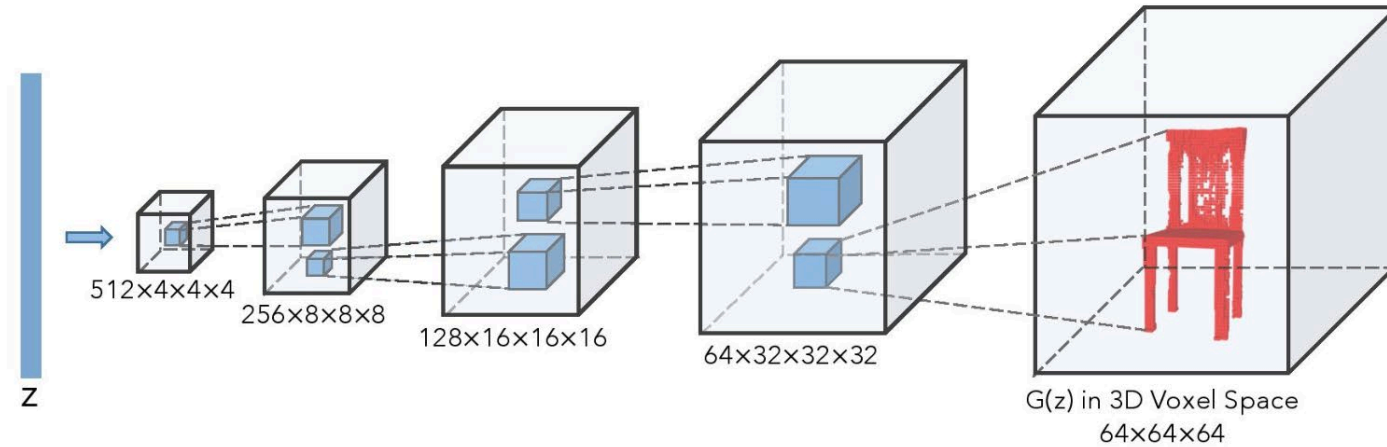


Figure 1: The generator of 3D Generative Adversarial Networks (3D-GAN)

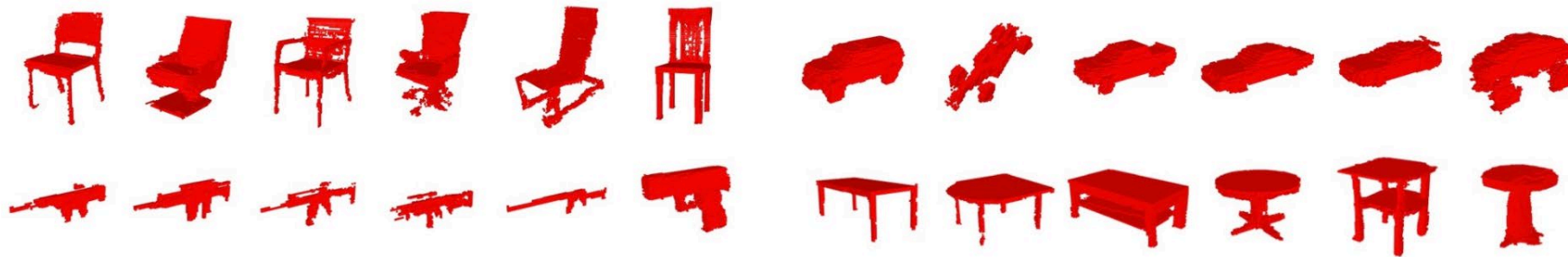
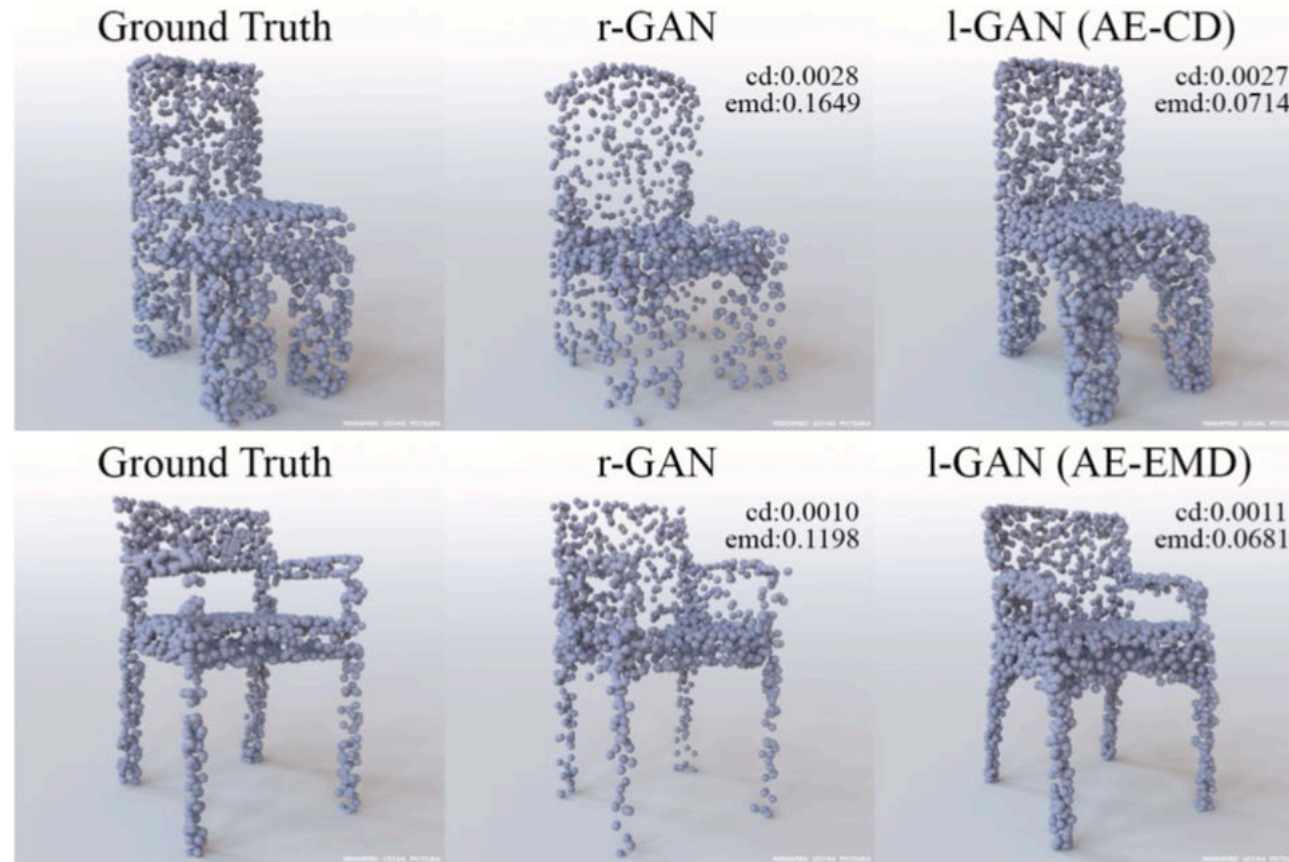


Figure 2: Shapes synthesized by 3D-GAN

Wu et. al., **Learning a Probabilistic Latent Space of Object Shapes via 3D Generative-Adversarial Modeling**, NeurIPS 2016

Point Cloud GANs



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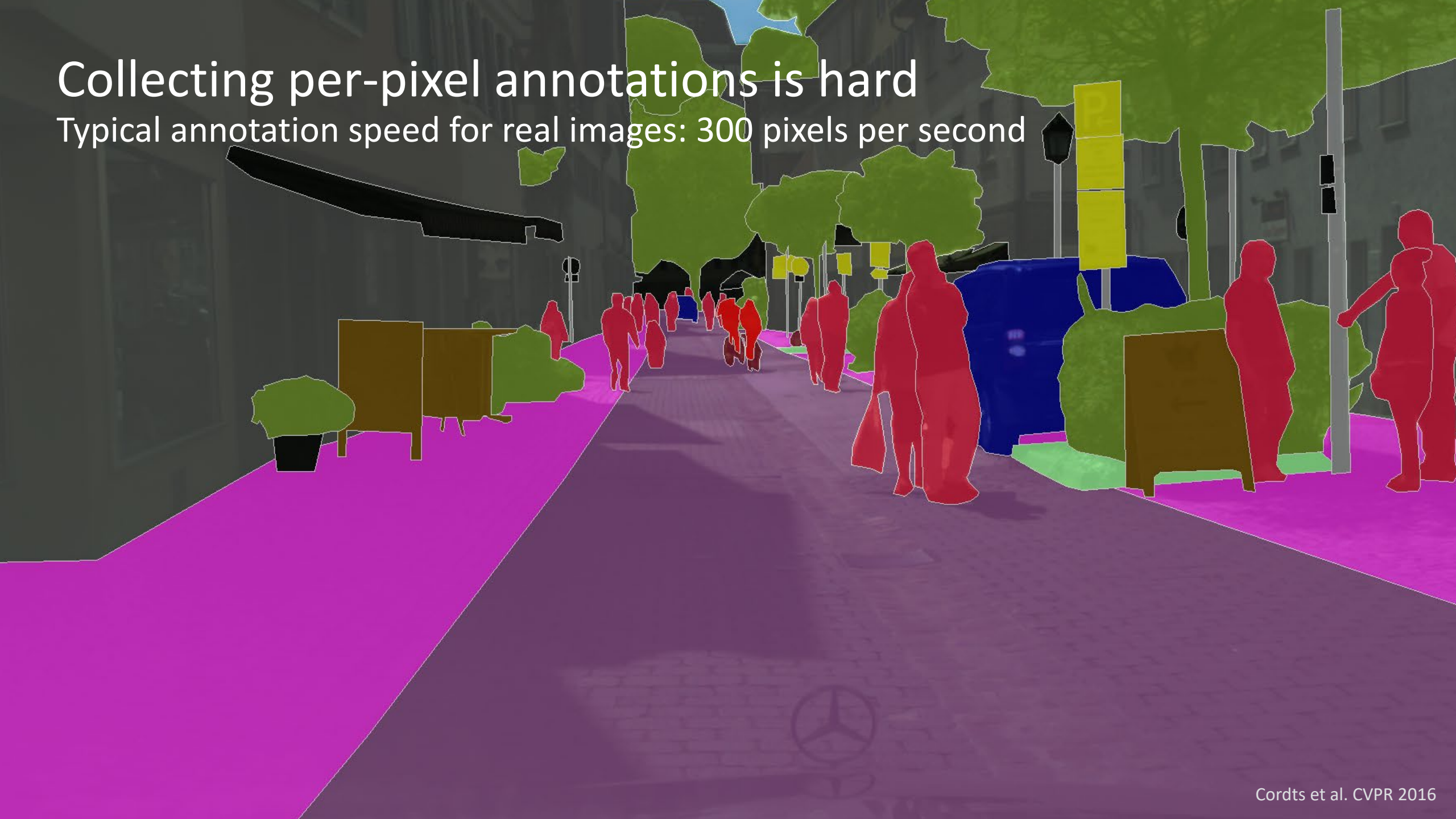
In 3D, Not Close to Direct 2D Results Using GANs



Synthetic 3D for ML

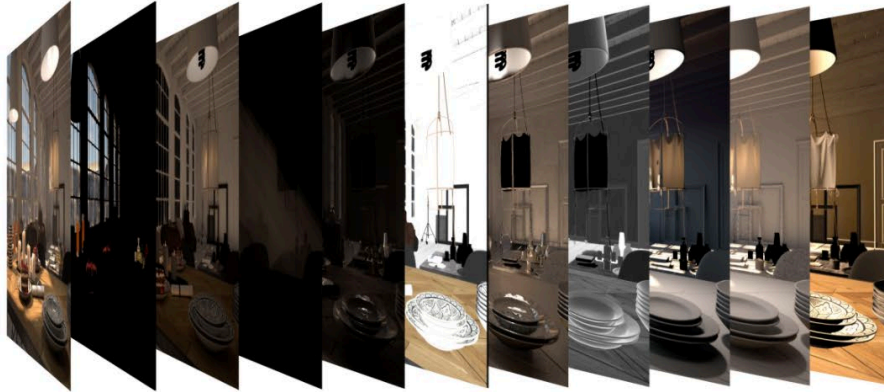
Collecting per-pixel annotations is hard

Typical annotation speed for real images: 300 pixels per second



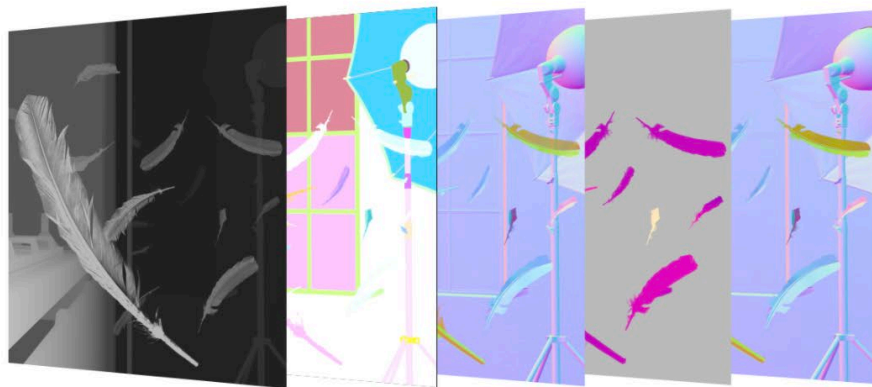
Synthetic Data Easily Provides Multi-Modal Annotations

Beauty Render Elements



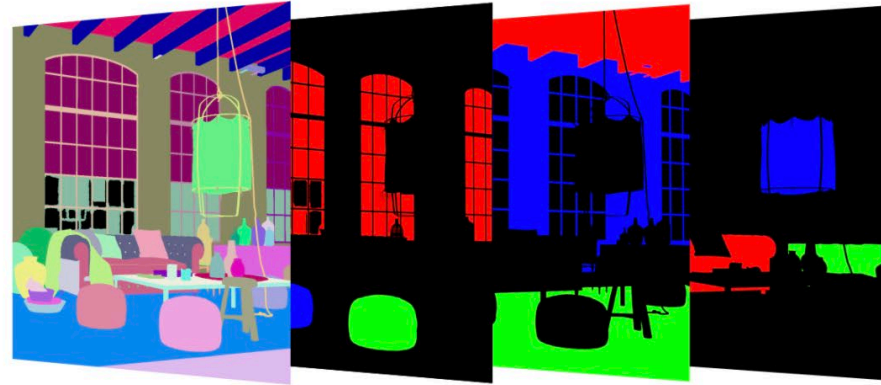
The Beauty Render Elements are the primary render elements that form V-Ray's pre-composited final render pass *Beauty RGB_Color*. These include the *Lighting*, *Global Illumination*, *Reflection*, *Refraction*, *Specular*, etc.

Geometry Render Elements



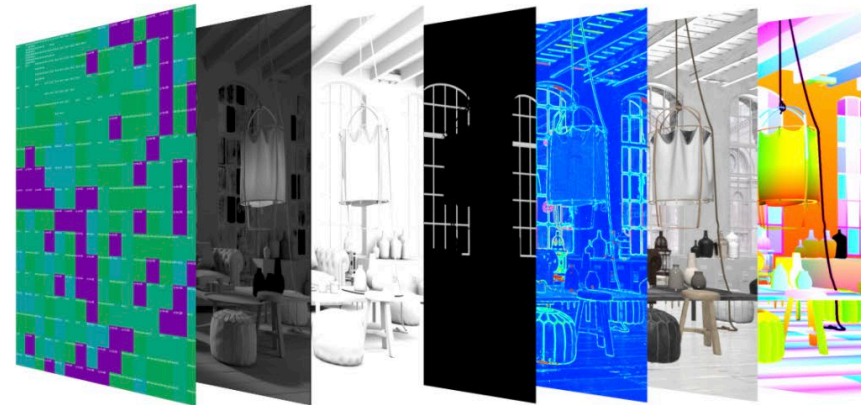
The Geometry Render Elements rely on geometry to generate geometry data for the compositing process. These include the *Velocity*, *Z-Depth*, *Wire Color*, and *Normals* render elements.

Matte Render Elements



The Matte Render Elements aid selection masking in the compositing process. These include the *Material ID*, *Multimatte*, *Object ID*, and *Render ID* render elements.

Utility Render Elements

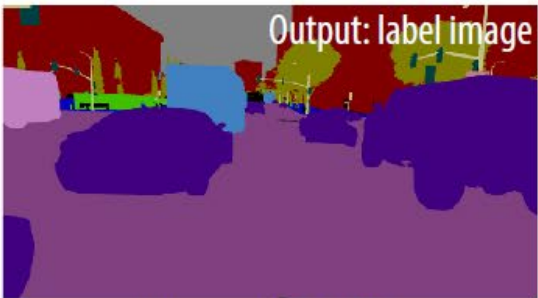


The Utility Render Elements give insight into how V-Ray is running and extra functionality for compositing.

These include the *Distributed Render ID*, *Sample Rate*, *Denoiser*, *Extra texture*, *Sampler Info*, etc

Synthetic Data Improves Performance

Semantic segmentation



Richter et al. ECCV 2016

3D mesh reconstruction



Johnson et al. ICCV 2019

Inverse rendering



Li et al. ICCV 2019

Reasoning behind occlusions



Ehsani et al. CVPR 2018

Real-World Tasks

Need Quantity, Quality, Diversity in Generation



Zhang et al. CVPR 2017



Li and Snavely ECCV 2018

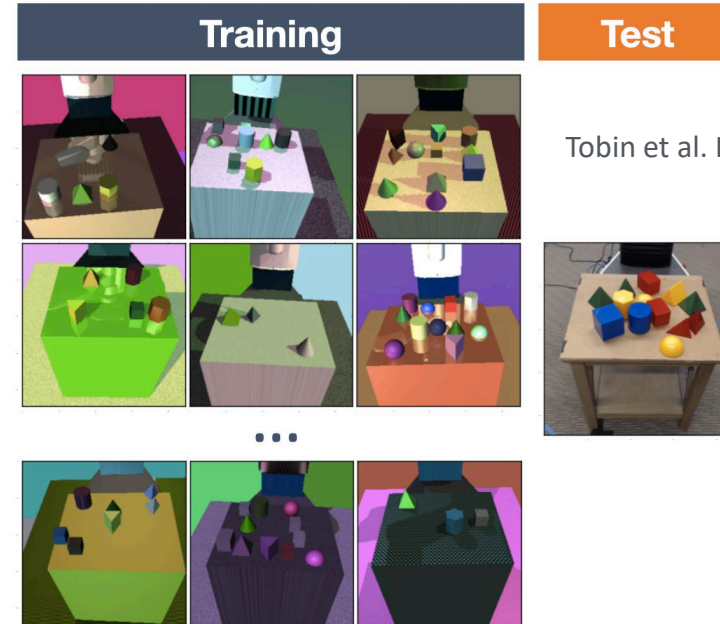
Less photorealistic

More photorealistic

More photorealism is better

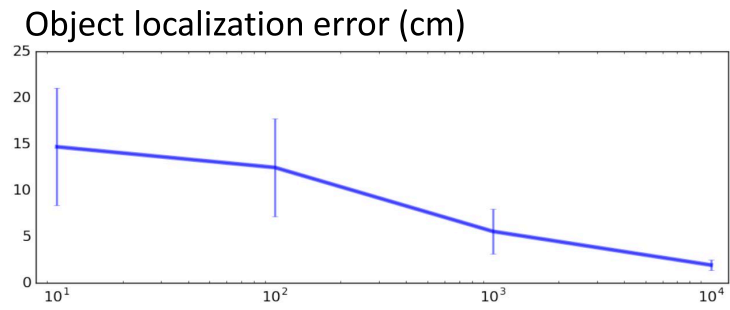
“Sim2Real”

Zhang et al. CVPR 2017, Li and Snavely ECCV 2018



[Roberts and Paczan]

Tobin et al. IROS 2017



Greater diversity is better

Want all plausible scenes, views, lighting conditions, materials, ...

Sadeghi and Levine RSS 2017, Tobin et al. IROS 2017

Synthetic Indoor Environments



Hypersim: A Photorealistic Synthetic Dataset for Holistic Scene Understanding

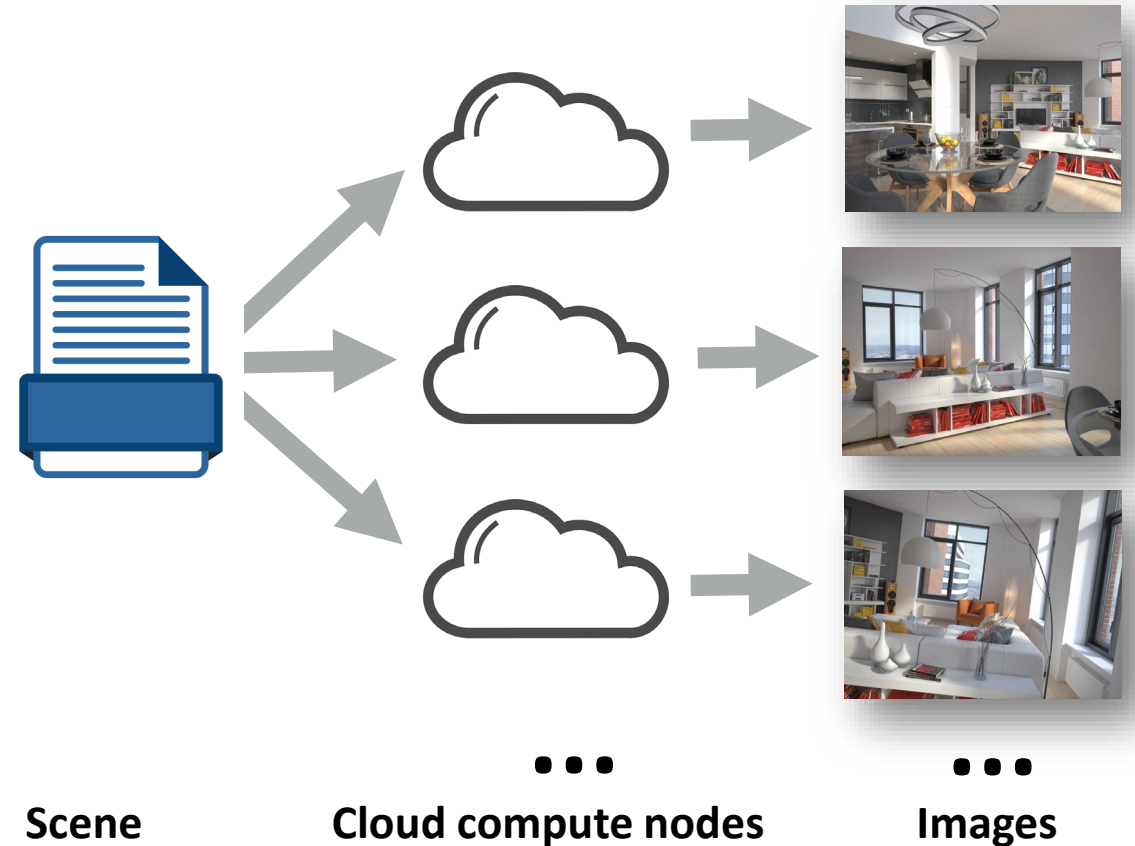
461 indoor scenes, 77k images

Images ✓ 3D assets ✓ Segmentation ✓ Intrinsic ✓

Synthetic Imagery Has Its Own Costs



Specialist design time/effort



Photorealistic rendering in the cloud is very costly

\$51K for 77K images @ 1024x768 resolution

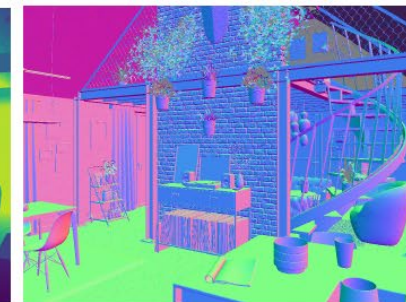
Intermediate-Level Annotations



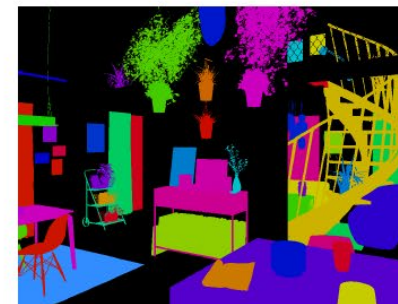
RGB image



Depth



Surface normal



Instance-level semantic segmentation



Non-Lambertian intrinsic image decomposition

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Opportunity: Deferred Shading



Diffuse reflectance



Diffuse illumination



Non-diffuse residual



Final image

can randomize

Fixed camera, fixed lighting, **dynamic materials**

Faster Shading

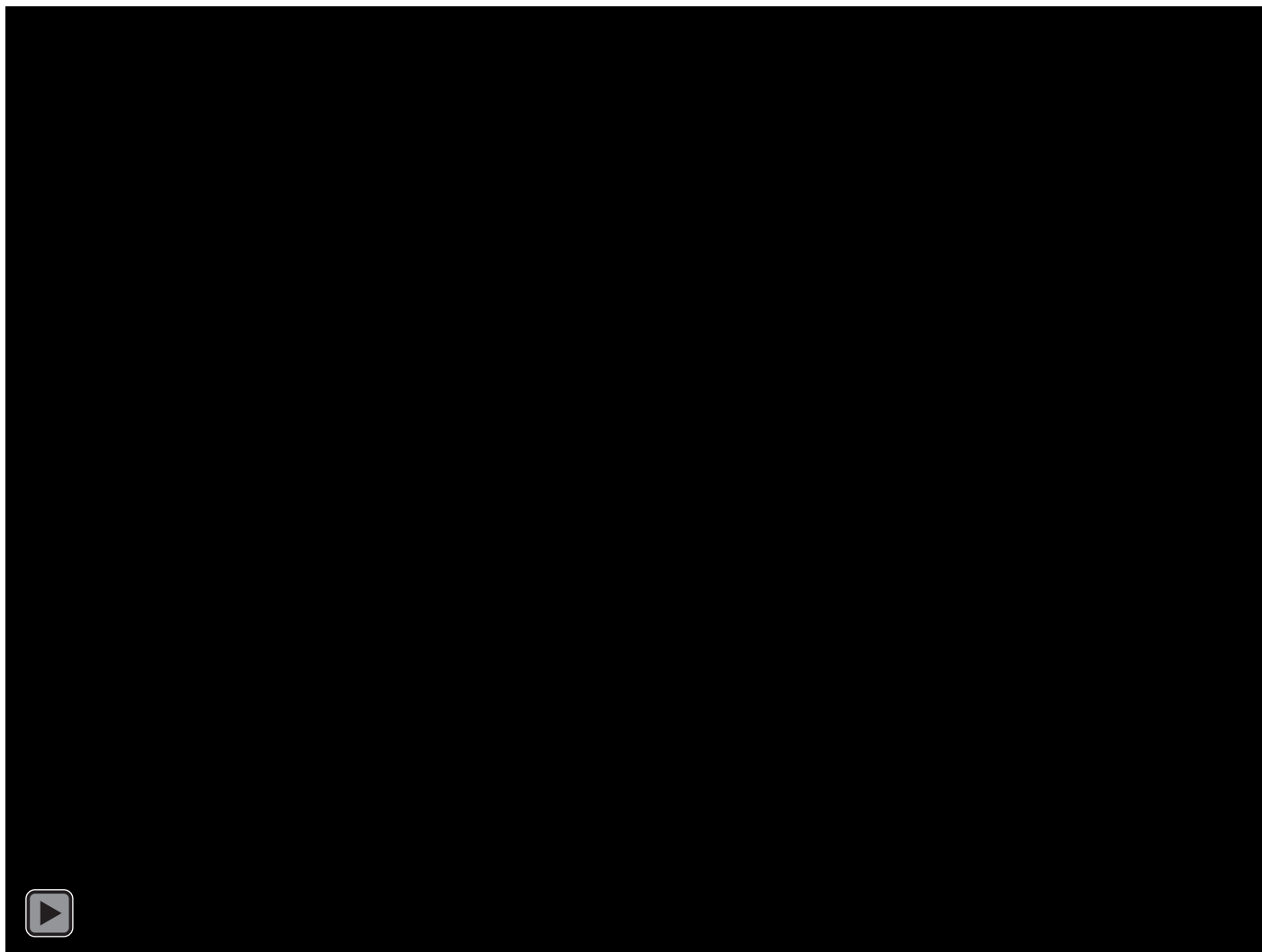


Original Image
1.5 hours to render

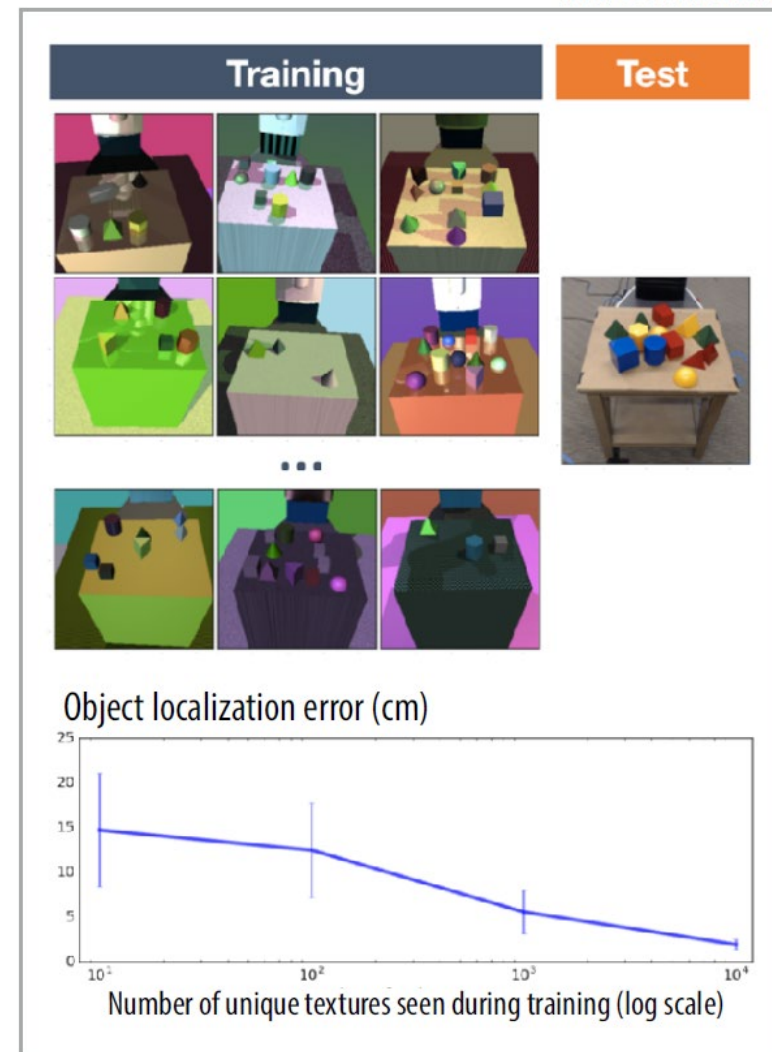


Random Variations
10 milliseconds to render

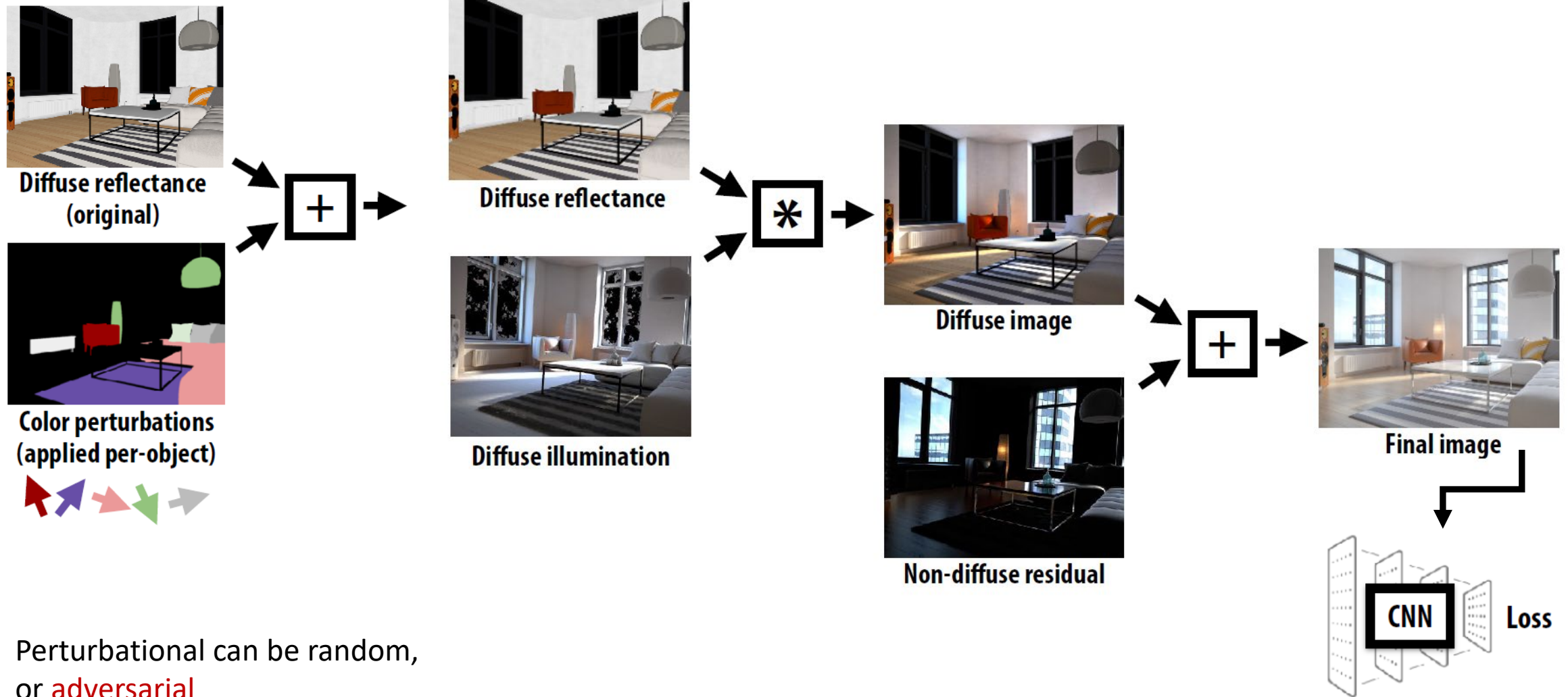
Faster Shading



Tobin et al. IROS 2017



Deferred Shading is Differentiable

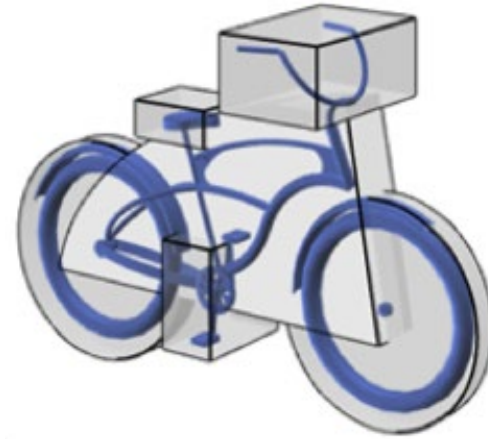
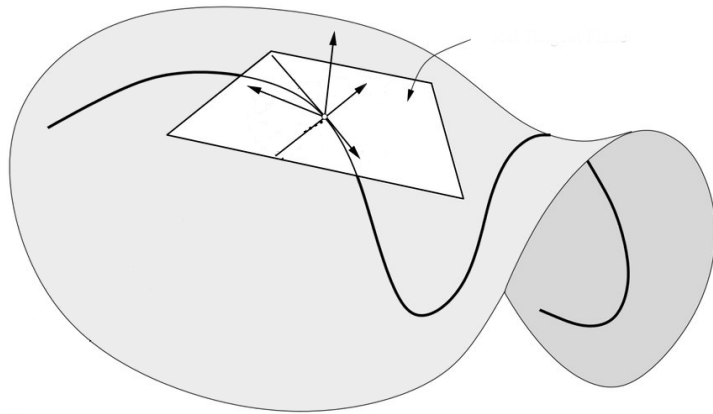


Fine-grained integration of data synthesis and ML training

Generative Model for Geometry Deformations/Edits

Learn possible variations of an input shape, discrete or continuous, meeting semantic constraints.

latent space



Learning Variation Generation

Learning to Vary

- Re-use what we already have
- Populate sparsely sampled regions

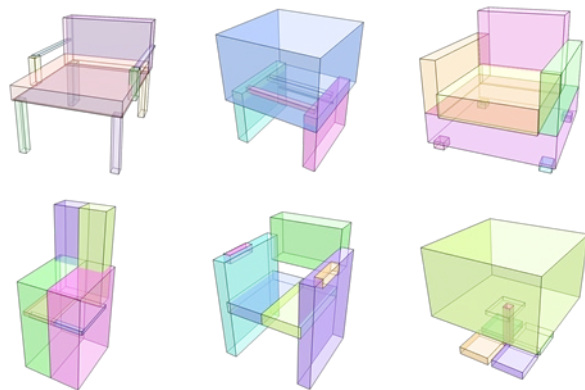


Geometry,
Arrangement,
Appearance,
Motion

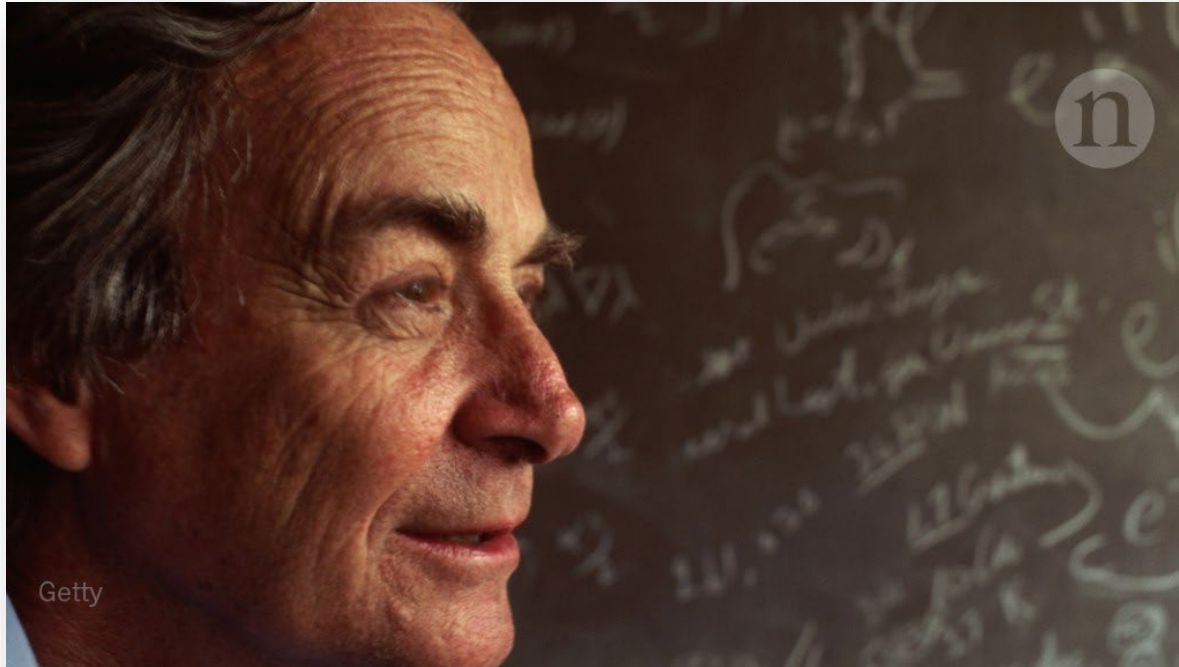
for Objects and
Scenes

Varying to Learn

- Provide generation diversity
- Create training data tailored for hard concepts



Generative Modeling

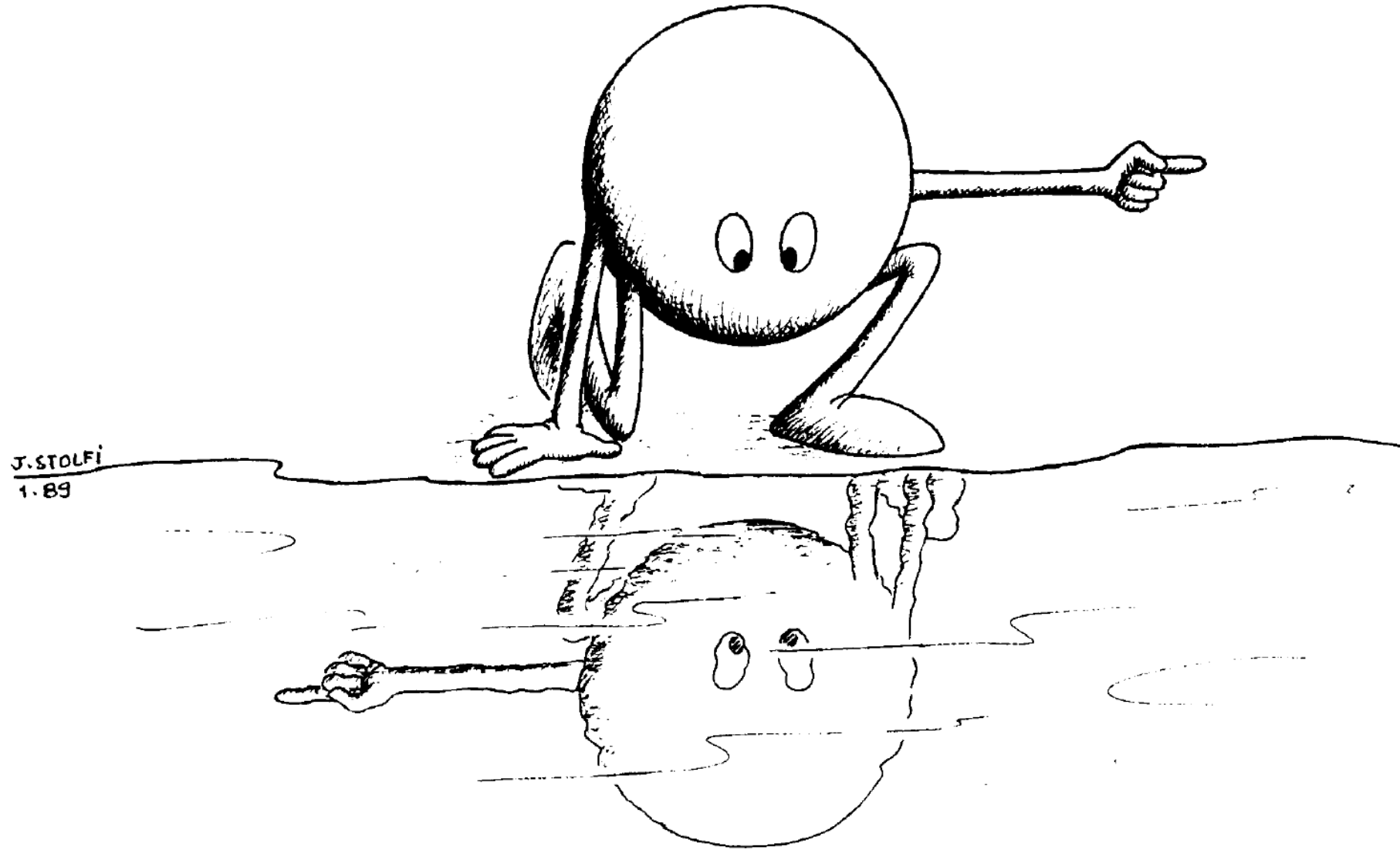


Richard Feynman: *“What I cannot create, I do not understand”*

Generative modeling: *“What I understand, I can create”*



That's All



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