

3D-Aware anime image synthesis based on π -GAN

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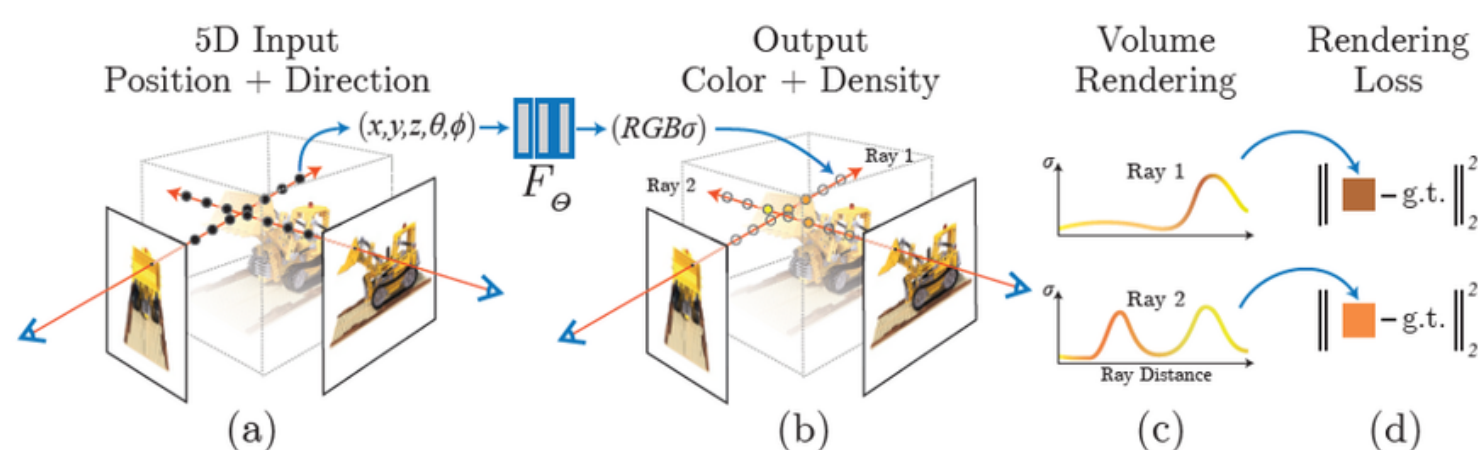
Introduction

3D-aware images synthesis usually suffers from low resolution or multi-view inconsistency. In order to solve this problem, we introduce a NeRF based model called pi-GAN, which used a Non-voxel based model for 3D representation. This model gets a great result in real-world datasets such as Cats and CelebA, we are wondering if the model works when we apply non-real-world datasets such as Anime dataset.

The dataset consists of 726 animated face images with size 512*512.

SIREN-Based Radiance Field and Volume rendering

A radiance field is a continuous mapping from a 3D location and a 2D viewing direction to an RGB color value.



Volume rendering is a technique that render the pixel color C for a camera ray r as follow

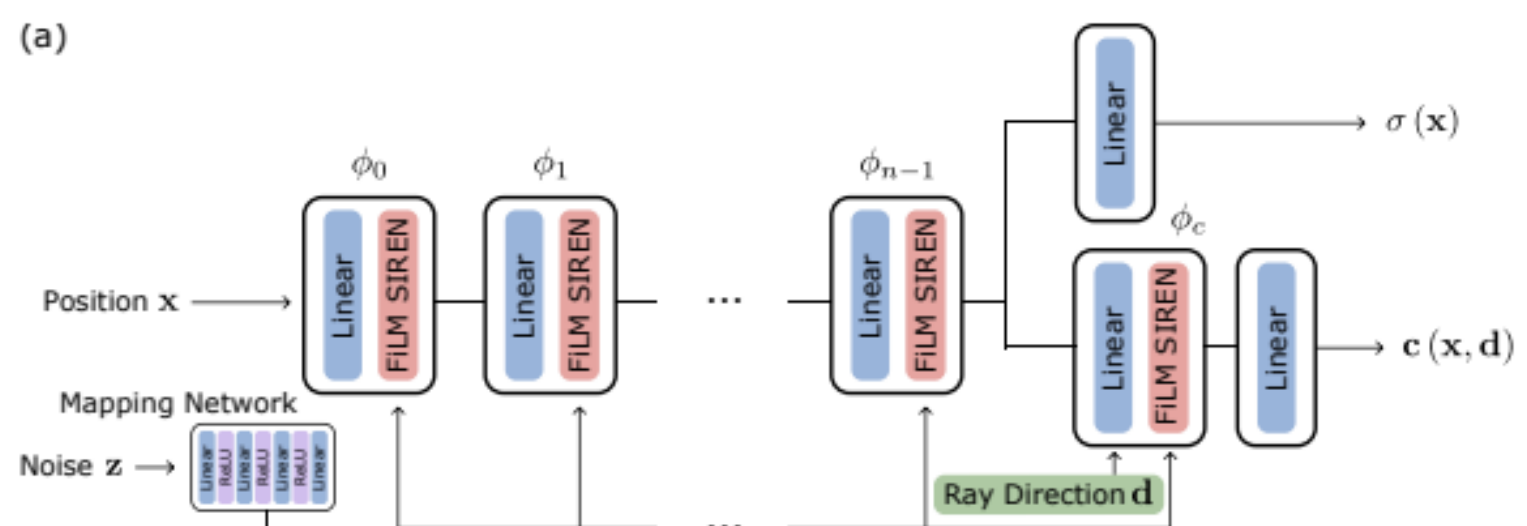
$$C(r) = \int_{t_n}^{t_f} T(t) \sigma(r(t)) c(r(t), d) dt,$$

$$\text{where } T(t) = \exp\left(-\int_{t_n}^t \sigma(r(s)) ds\right).$$

Our approach implements a discretized form of this equation using the stratified and hierarchical sampling approach introduced by NeRF

$$c_r = \sum_{i=1}^N T_r^i \alpha_r^i c_r^i \quad T_r^i = \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} (1 - \alpha_r^j) \quad \alpha_r^i = 1 - \exp(-\sigma_r^i \delta_r^i)$$

Architecture



Training detail

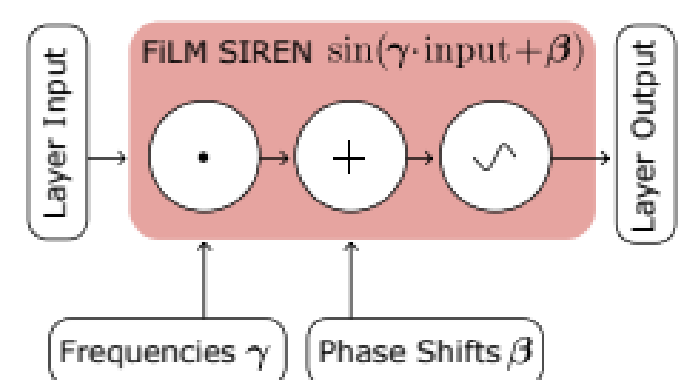
batch size=14

G_lr = 0.00006

D_lr = 0.0002

img_size = 64*64

pretrain model : CelebA



Experiment Result



Discussion

As for the results, we conclude some possible reasons why our 3D anime image cannot be synthesized well.

1. Small dataset with only 737 images.
2. Difference in the image brightness among the dataset may cause black hole on the synthesized image.
3. Among the dataset, some eyes covered by hair are transparent and some are not. It may be the reason why the eyes cannot be synthesized well.
4. Our computational resource is constraint that we can only use batch size=14 instead of 56 in original code. (batch size is important for the beginning of training)