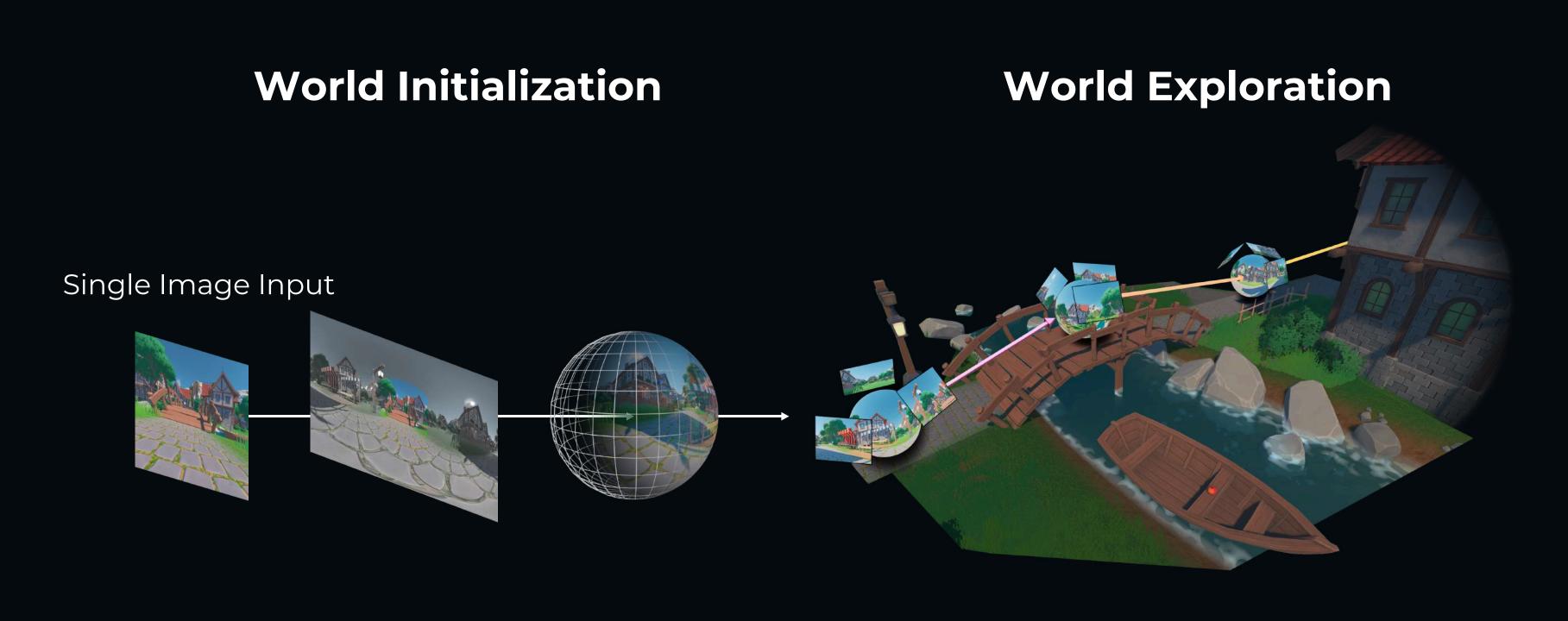


GenEx: Generative World Explorer

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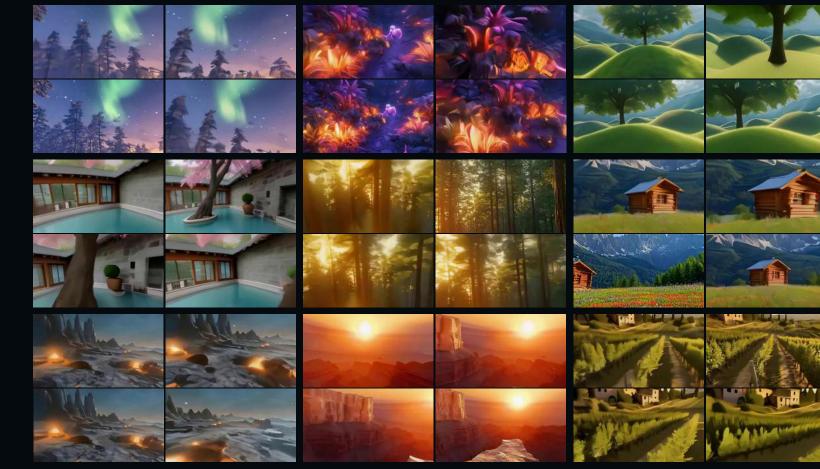
Turn a single image into a world adventure.







Diverse Generation



- Generative imagination guides exploration, forming priors of unseen environments.
- Builds 3D-consistent worlds from a single RGB image, generating panoramic video.
- Maintains loop consistency, preserving coherence over long trajectories.
- Enables active 3D mapping, refining beliefs and predicting unseen regions.
- Supports both goal-driven navigation and open-ended exploration for embodied Al.

Dataset Curation

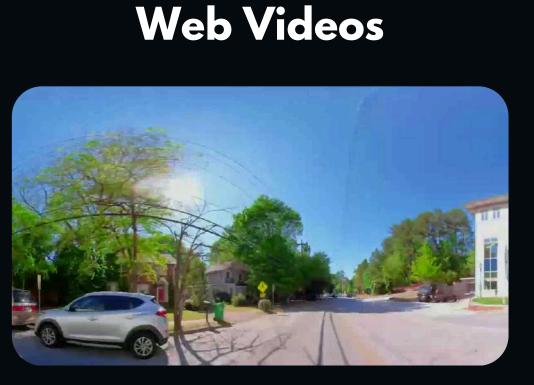






Hand-held Collections





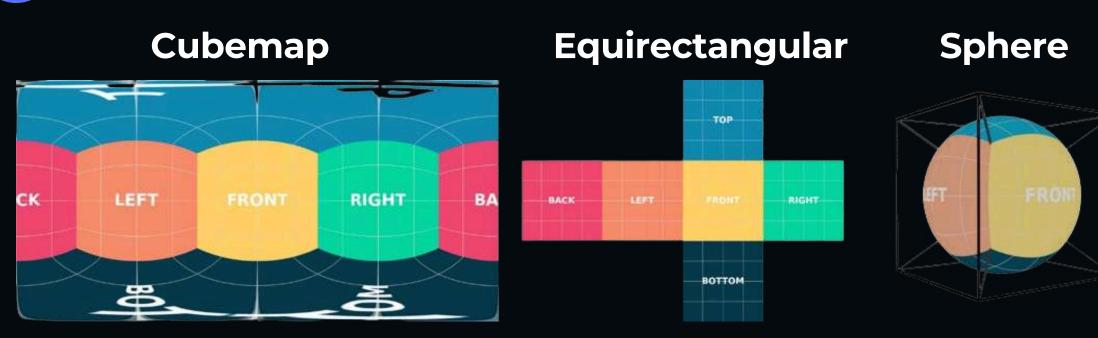
Our data curation leverages physical engines, utilizing realistic city assets from UE5 and animated world assets from Unity. We also collect real-world videos from hand-held cameras and mining from web.







1 World Initialization



• We represent the 360° world using the panoramic view of the agent. Panoramic images capture a complete 360° × 180° view of a scene from a fixed viewpoint.

Single View Image

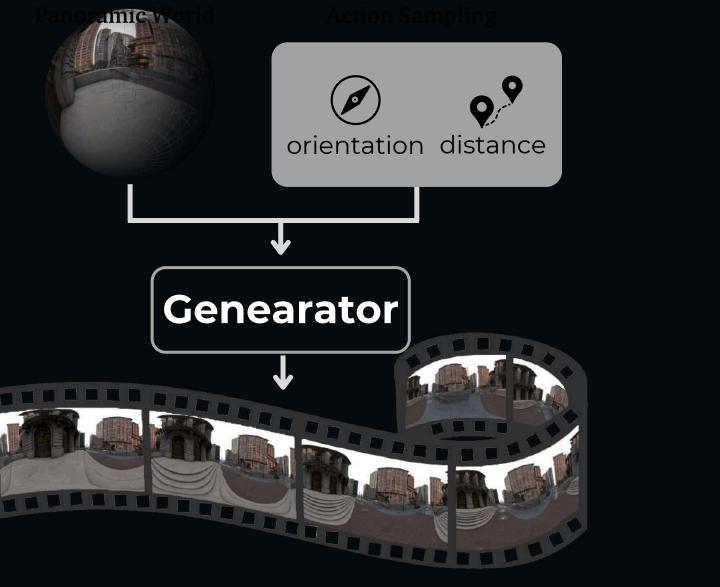


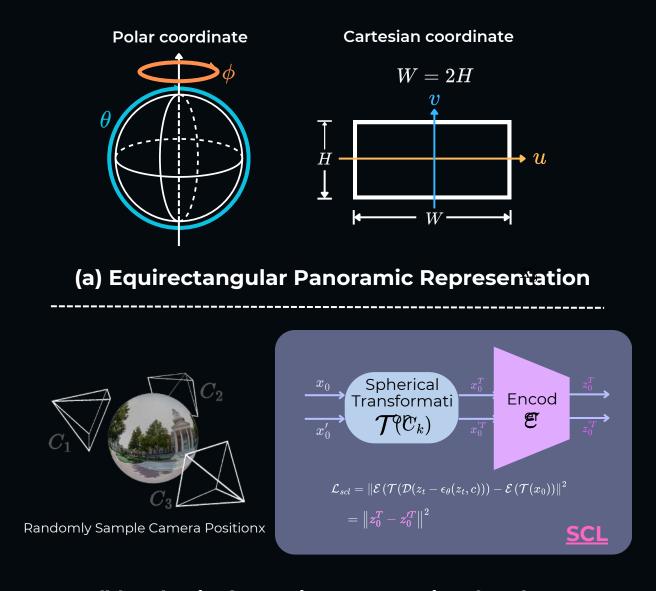
• Our world initialization model builds on a SOTA text-to-

360° Panorama

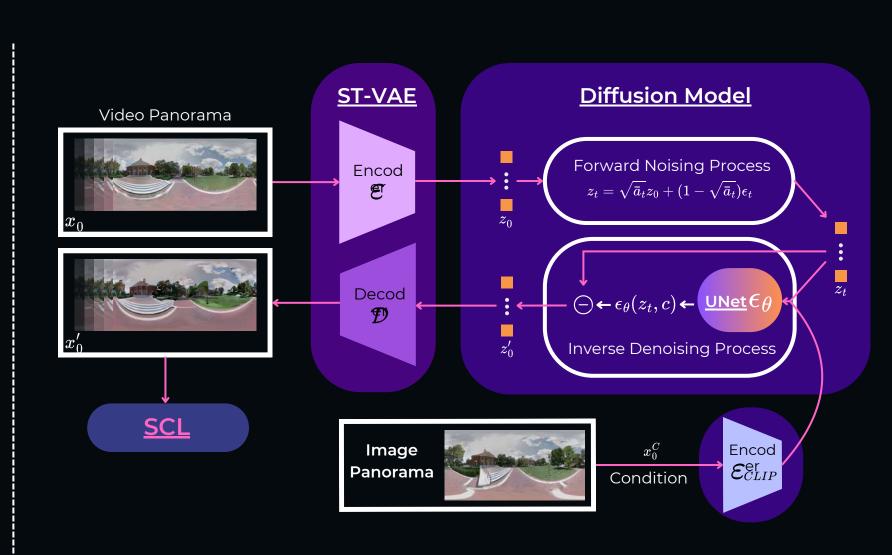
panorama model, tuned from the text-to-image model FLUX.1. • We extend it to condition on both text and an image, enabling the generation of a coherent 360-degree environment.

2 World Transition





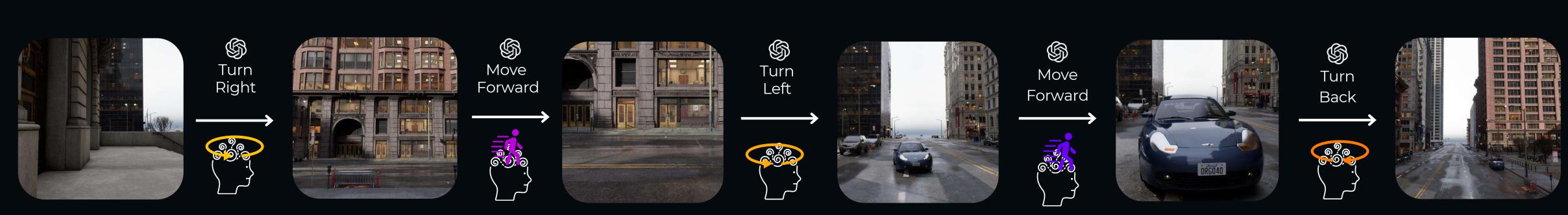




(c) Spherical-Consistent Egocentric Panoramic Video Diffusion Model

3 World Exploration

Instruction: "Plan to move to the position of the blue car, then turn back."



• The agent follows a goal-driven navigation instruction, where GPT plans high-level actions, and GenEx iteratively refines exploration, updating images step-by-step for controlled and targeted navigation.

Advancing Embodied Al

In our generative world, we explore unseen regions, gather comprehensive information, and refine beliefs for informed decisionmaking, framing this as an "imaginationaugmented policy" that shapes the future of embodied Al.

