

Instruct-NeRF2NeRF: Editing 3D Scenes with Instructions

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Summary

Instruct-NeRF2NeRF

- Propose a method for **editing NeRF scenes with text instructions**.
- Given a NeRF of a scene and the collection of images to reconstruct 3D scene,
- Use an image conditioned diffusion model (InstructPix2Pix) to iteratively edit the input images while optimizing 3D scenes.

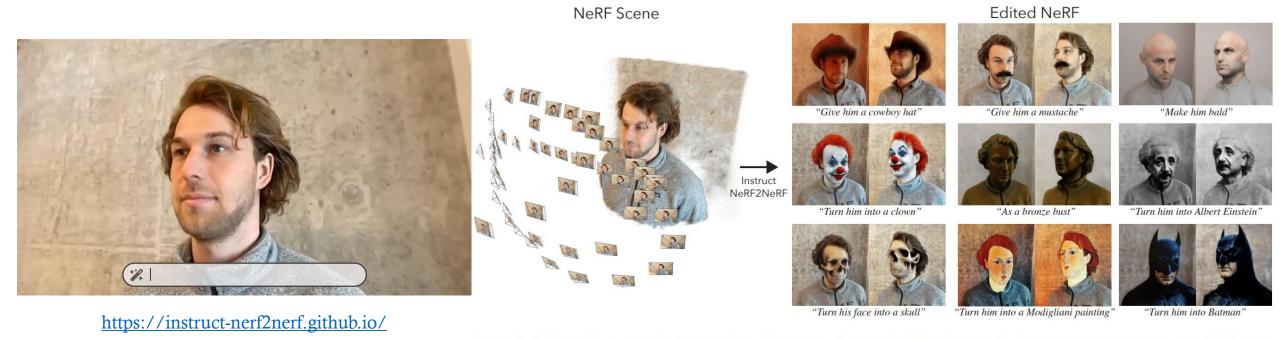


Figure 1: **Editing 3D scenes with Instructions.** We propose Instruct-NeRF2NeRF, a method for consistent 3D editing of a NeRF scene using text-based instructions. Our method can accomplish a diverse collection of local and global scene edits.

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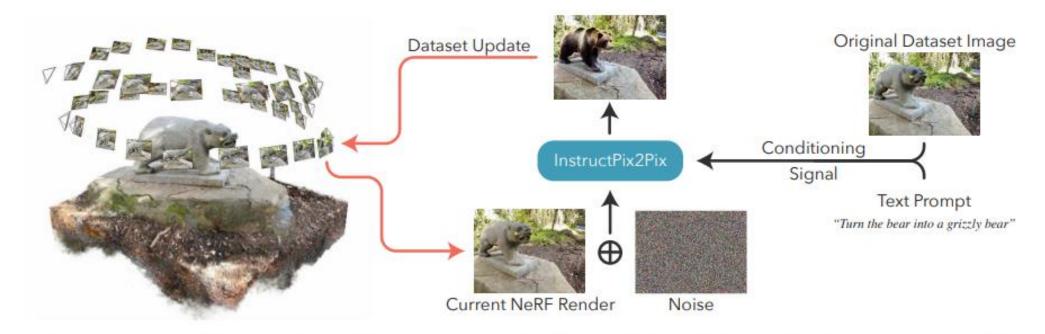


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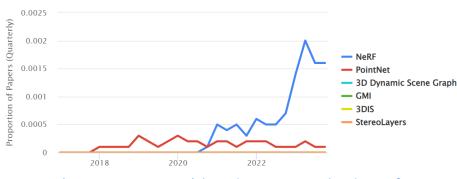
- Emergence of Neural 3D Reconstruction
 - Efficient neural 3D reconstruction techniques have simplified capturing realistic digital representations of real-world 3D scenes. The process involves capturing images from various viewpoints, reconstructing camera parameters, and optimizing a Neural Radiance Field.



"The First NeRF in a TV commercial, January 18, 2023" @LumaLabsAI for @McDonalds



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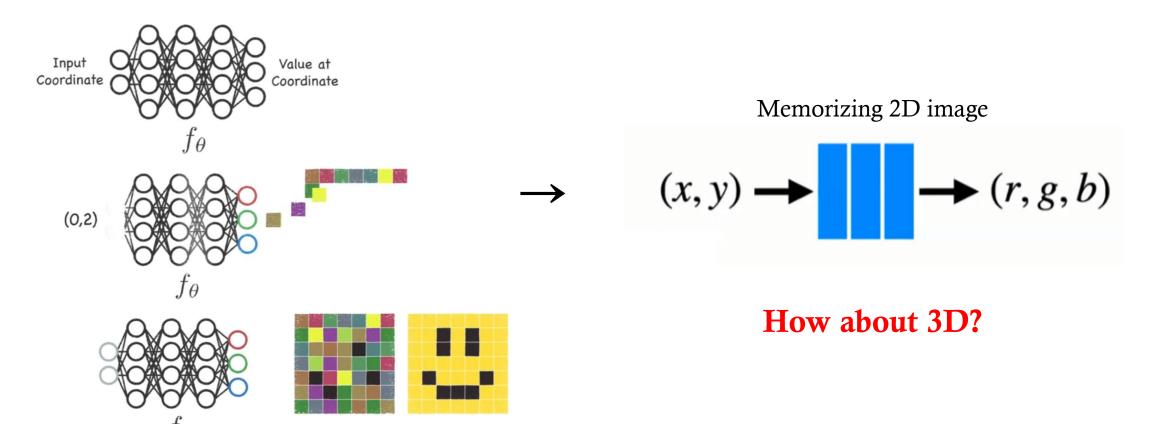
https://paperswithcode.com/method/nerf

Neural Radiance Field (NeRF)

- Novel view synthesis, Image rendering, Scene representation
- Input images rendered from discretized viewpoint
 - → Rendering new views which is not included in training dataset

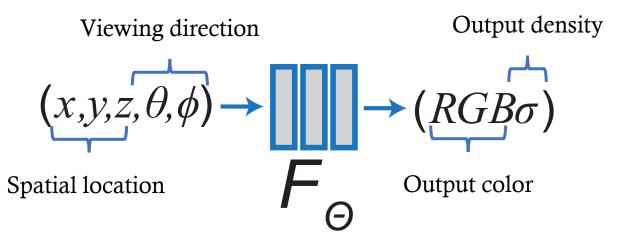


- Scene representation
 - Continuous functions parameterized by MLP **Implicit Representation**
 - Coordinate-based Representation: Takes low dimensional coordinates as input, and trained to output an appropriate representation(values; color, density) of each input



Scene representation

• It is not enough to represent 3D scene with only spatial location (x y z)



Fully-connected neural network, 9 layers, 256 channels

How to train?

- N of 2D images \rightarrow Synthesizing random view image
- $F_{\theta}:(x,d)\to(c,\sigma)$ with deep neural network
 - c: with respect to location x and viewing direction d
 - σ : with respect to location x
 - F_{θ} : Fully-connected neural network

Volume Rendering

- Rendering? 물체의 표면 성질과 빛의 상호 작용을 2D 평면의 RGB 픽셀 값을 결정하는 것
- Volume Ray Casting
 - Computes 2D images from 3D volumetric data sets (3D scalar fields)

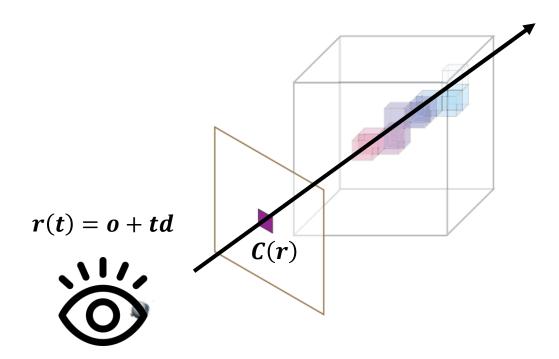
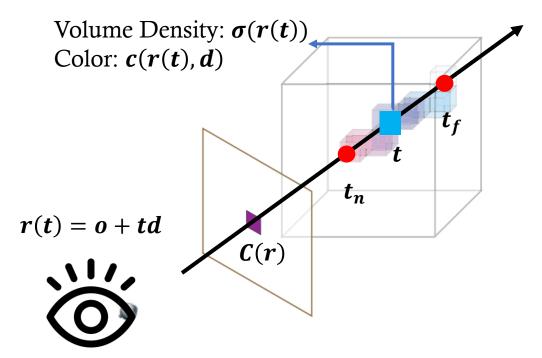


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VSVR: a very simple volume rendering implementation with 3D textures
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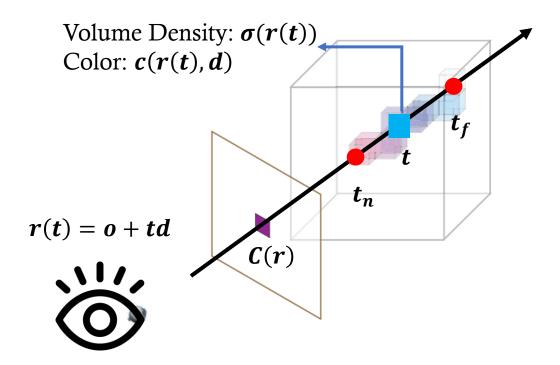


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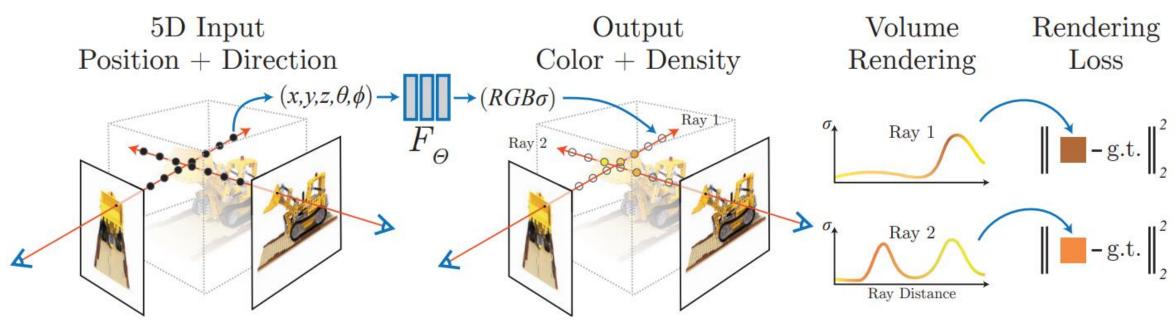
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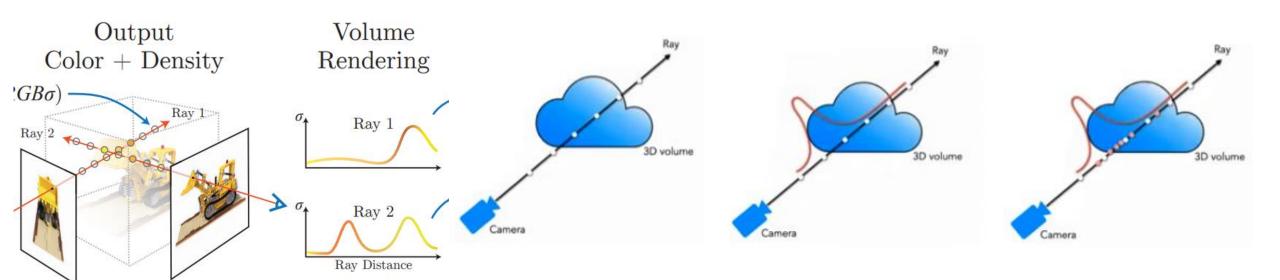
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NeRF Training

- Hierarchical volume sampling
 - 1. Stratified sampling: Partition $[t_n, t_f]$ into N_C evenly-spaced bins and then draw one sample uniformly at random from within each bin (Coarse Network)
 - Then feed forward points to MLP and get weights
 - Given coarse network, producing a more informed sampling of points N_f
 - 2. Inverse transform sampling: Sample N_f points according to the probability distribution (Fine Network)
 - Then feed forward $N_C + N_f$ sampled points to MLP and get volume density of that points



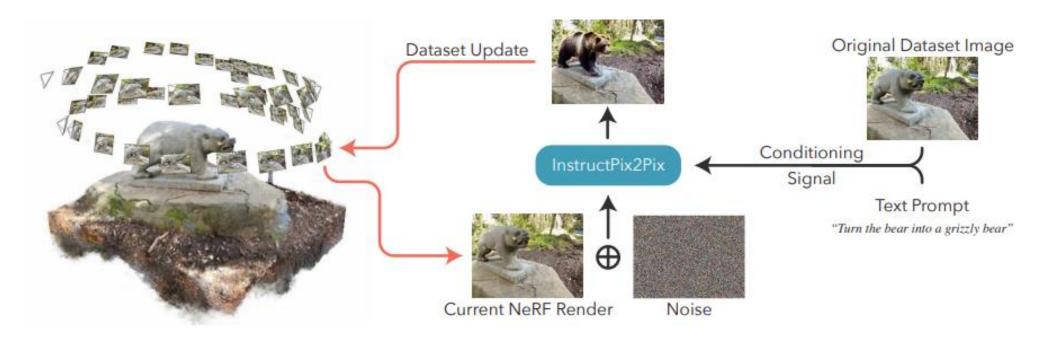


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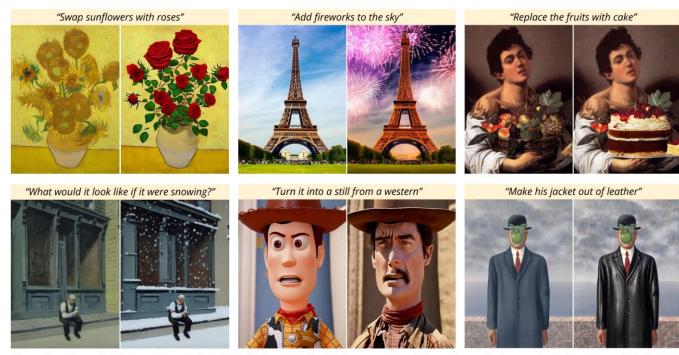


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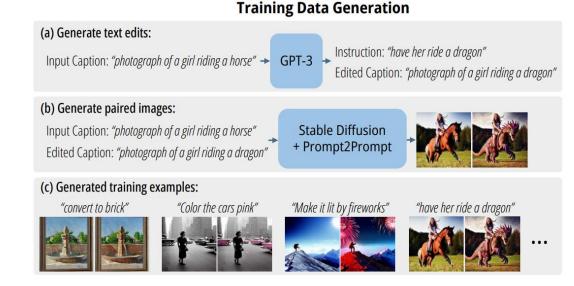
Instruction-following Diffusion Model (d) Inference on real images: "turn her into a snake lady" InstructPix2Pix

InstructPix2Pix

A method for editing images based on human instructions

Method

- 1. Generating an image editing dataset
- 2. Train a conditional diffusion model
 - Stable Diffusion (latent diffusion model)
 - Conditioned on:
 - RGB image (cI) input image,
 - Text-based editing instruction (cT),
 - the model takes as input a noisy image called zt.



- The primary goal is to produce an estimate of the edited image z0
- The diffusion model predicts the amount of noise present in the input image zt using a denoising U-Net $\epsilon\theta$, formulated as:

$$\hat{\epsilon} = \epsilon_{\theta}(zt; t, cI, cT)$$

Input

- Reconstructed NeRF scene.
- Source data, including captured images, camera poses, and camera calibration.
- Natural-language editing instruction (e.g., "turn him into Albert Einstein").

Output

- Edited version of the NeRF scene based on the provided edit instruction.
- Edited versions of the input images.

Method

- 1. Edits dataset images using InstructPix2Pix
- 2. Iteratively updates image content at captured viewpoints (Iterative DU)
- 3. Consolidates these edits in 3D through standard NeRF training.

Inspiration

- Built upon recent advances in diffusion models for image editing, particularly InstructPix2Pix.
- InstructPix2Pix uses an image-and-text conditioned diffusion model trained to edit natural images using human-provided instructions.
 - → to make consistent with pre-existing 3D scene

Method

- 1. Edits dataset images using InstructPix2Pix
 - It takes three inputs: Conditioning image(cI), Text instruction(cT), Noisy input(zt)
 - To update an image at viewpoint v:
 - The unedited image I_{v0} is used as cI.
 - zt is a noised version of the current render at optimization step i.
 - The replacement of an image is represented as:

$$I_{vi+1} \leftarrow U_{\theta}(I_{vi}, t; I_{v0}, cT)$$

• U_{θ} is the DDIM sampling process with a fixed number of intermediate steps.

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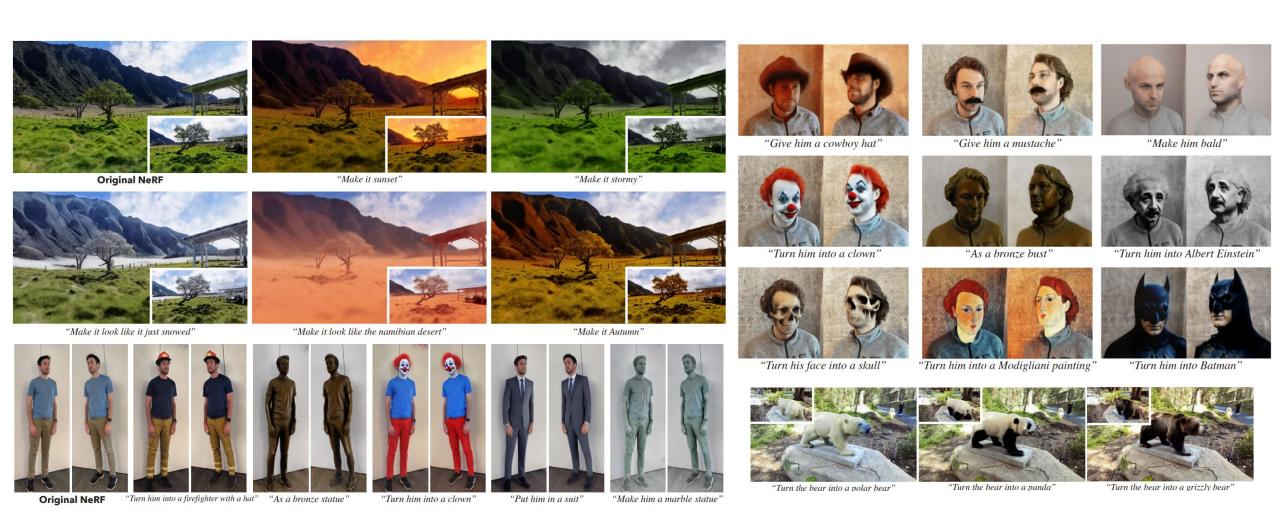
- Initial Dataset: Optimization starts with a dataset of originally captured images, represented as (I_{v0}) .
- At each iteration:
 - Performs a number of image updates (d) and NeRF updates (n).
 - Image updates occur sequentially in a random order.
 - NeRF updates sample random rays from the entire training dataset.
- Editing process results in the replacement of dataset images with edited versions.
- Over time, edited images converge on a globally consistent depiction of the edited scene.



Implementation details

- Underlying NeRF Model: 'nerfacto' model from NeRFStudio is used as the base NeRF implementation.
- Parameters Affecting Diffusion Model:
 - [tmin, tmax] = [0.02, 0.98] values define the amount of noise and signal retained from original images.
 - Denoised images are always sampled with 20 denoising steps.
- Diffusion Model Parameters:
 - Classifier-free guidance weights for text and image conditioning signals.
 - Default values: sI = 1.5 and sT = 7.5.
 - Users can hand-tune the guidance weight on an image for optimal edit strength before NeRF optimization.
- Manual Guidance Values: The paper's results use manually selected guidance values, but adjusting these can result in varying scene edits.
- Fixed 3D Hyperparameters: All other 3D hyperparameters are consistent across all experiments.
- NeRF Training Losses: L1 and LPIPS [54] losses are used for NeRF training.
- Training Iterations: The method is trained for a maximum of 30,000 iterations, which takes approximately an hour on a single NVIDIA Titan RTX with 15GB of memory.

Qualitative Evaluation



Ablation study

Limitations

- The method inherits limitations from InstructPix2Pix,
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 - Adding entirely new objects or removing content to the scene is challenging.
- Two types of failure cases are demonstrated:
 - 1. When InstructPix2Pix fails in 2D, the method also fails in 3D
 - 2. When InstructPix2Pix succeeds in 2D but has large inconsistencies, the method cannot consolidate them in 3D.



Figure 9: **Limitations:** InstructPix2Pix cannot always perform the desired edit (top), and thus our method does not perform an edit. Sometimes InstructPix2Pix produces correct, but inconsistent edits in 2D that our method fails to consolidate in 3D (bottom).



Thank you!

Instruct-Pix2Pix

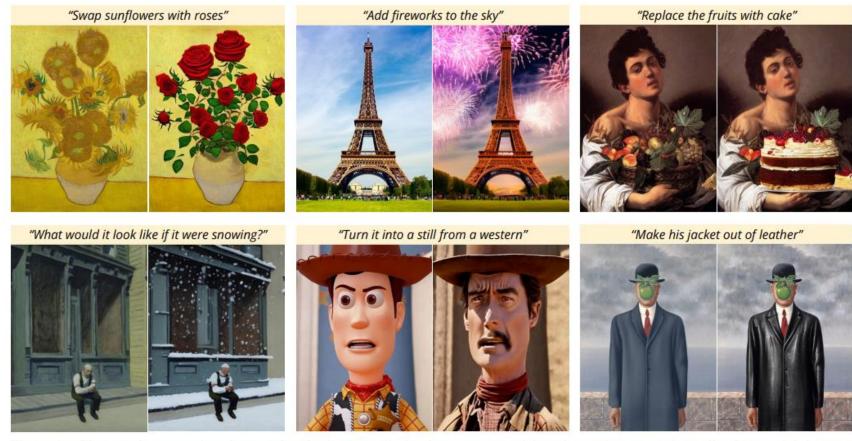


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Limitations in 3D Asset Creation Tools

• While creating 3D representations from real scenes is now more accessible, **the tools needed for editing these 3D assets are underdeveloped**. Traditional 3D model editing requires specialized tools and extensive training.

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Instruct-NeRF2NeRF Methodology

- Allows editing of 3D NeRF scenes using simple text instructions.
- Ensures edits are consistent in 3D, making the process intuitive for everyday users.

Use of 2D Diffusion Model

- Extracts shape and appearance priors from a 2D diffusion model, InstructPix2Pix.
- Facilitates instruction-based 2D image editing due to limited 3D training data.

Overcoming Inconsistencies Across Viewpoints

- Addresses inconsistencies caused by editing individual NeRF-rendered images.
- Iterative Dataset Update method to alternate between editing inputs and updating the 3D representation.

Physical Editing of NeRFs

- NeRFs create photorealistic scenes but are hard to edit.
- Techniques include physics-based optimization and bounding boxes.
- ClimateNeRF adds weather effects like snow and flooding.
- Focus on enabling diverse, arbitrary creative edits.

Artistic Stylization of NeRFs

- Developments in 3D stylization of NeRFs based on image stylization literature.
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Generating 3D Content

- Large-scale models now generate 3D content from text prompts.
- Challenges include limited control, focus on single objects, and lack of realism.
- DreamFusion creates 3D models; RealFusion and SparseFusion use input images for realism.
- This approach focuses on editing real NeRF scenes for consistent, realistic outcomes.

Instruction as an Editing Interface

- Rise of large language models like GPT and ChatGPT.
- Natural language used as an interface for complex tasks.
- Demonstrated effectiveness in 2D image tasks and beyond.
- Pioneering instructional guidance in 3D editing for easy access by novices.

Instruct-NeRF2NeRF Methodology

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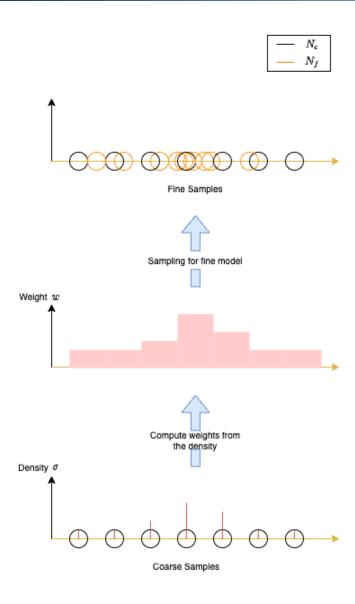
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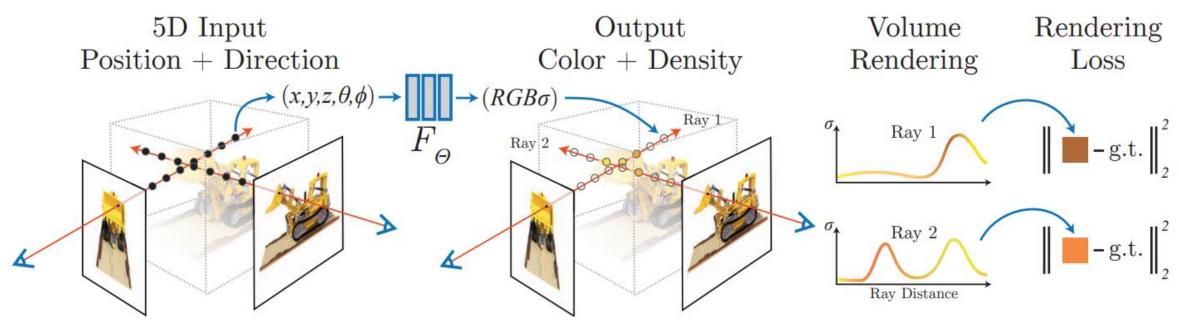
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 - ϵ = $\epsilon \theta$ (zt; t, cI, cT)
- The predicted noise ϵ is used to derive z0, the estimate of the edited image.
- The denoising process can be applied at any timestep t within the range [0, T], allowing for images with varying degrees of noise.
 - Larger t values produce estimates with more variance, while smaller t values result in lower variance estimates that closely follow the visible image signal in zt.
- InstructPix2Pix operates based on a latent diffusion model, meaning the diffusion process entirely operates within an encoded latent domain.
 - Variables cI and z0 are latent images created by encoding an RGB image (E(I)).
 - To obtain an RGB image from the diffusion model, the predicted latents ^z0 are decoded using a decoder, giving ^I = D(^z0).

 InstructPix2Pix: Learning to Follow Image Editing Instructions [CVPR 2023]