



GuideFlow3D

Optimization-Guided Rectified Flow For Appearance Transfer

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Why 3D Appearance Transfer?

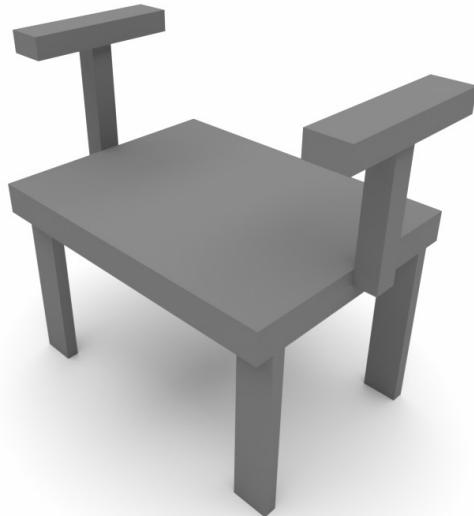
- Bring real-world styles and materials into design
- Generate 3D assets by transferring texture and fine geometry while preserving shape



Goal: Accelerate stylized asset creation for gaming, AR/VR, and digital prototyping

Why 3D Appearance Transfer can be Hard?

1. Geometric irregularity and absence of part-aware grounding disrupt texture alignment and structural consistency.



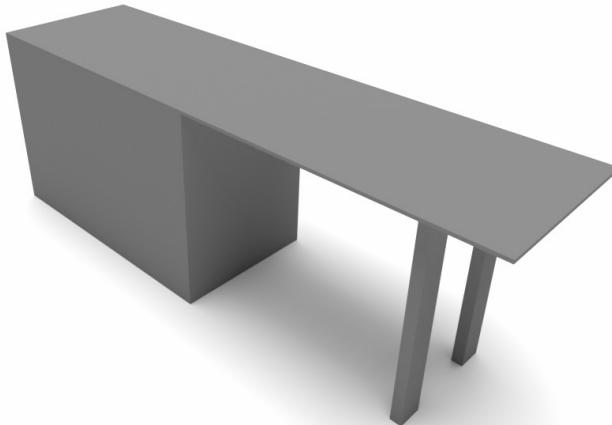
Texture
Alignment?
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Even similar shapes misalign with **no structural awareness**.

Why 3D Appearance Transfer can be Hard?

2. Large semantic gaps across categories break correspondence, causing style leakage and textures that fail to align with object geometry.



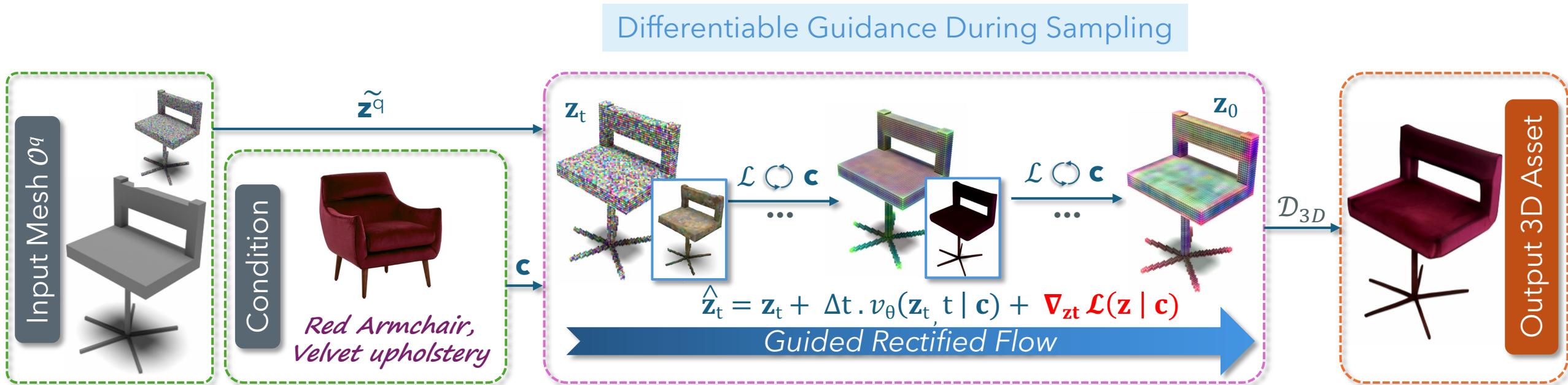
Semantic
correspondence?



Different shapes collapse when **style overpowers structure**.

Our Solution

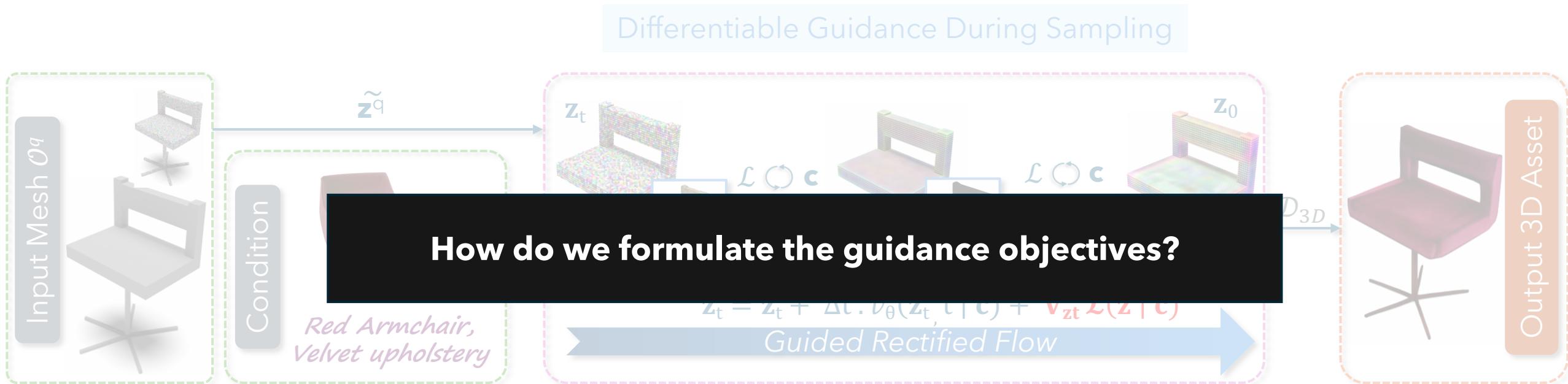
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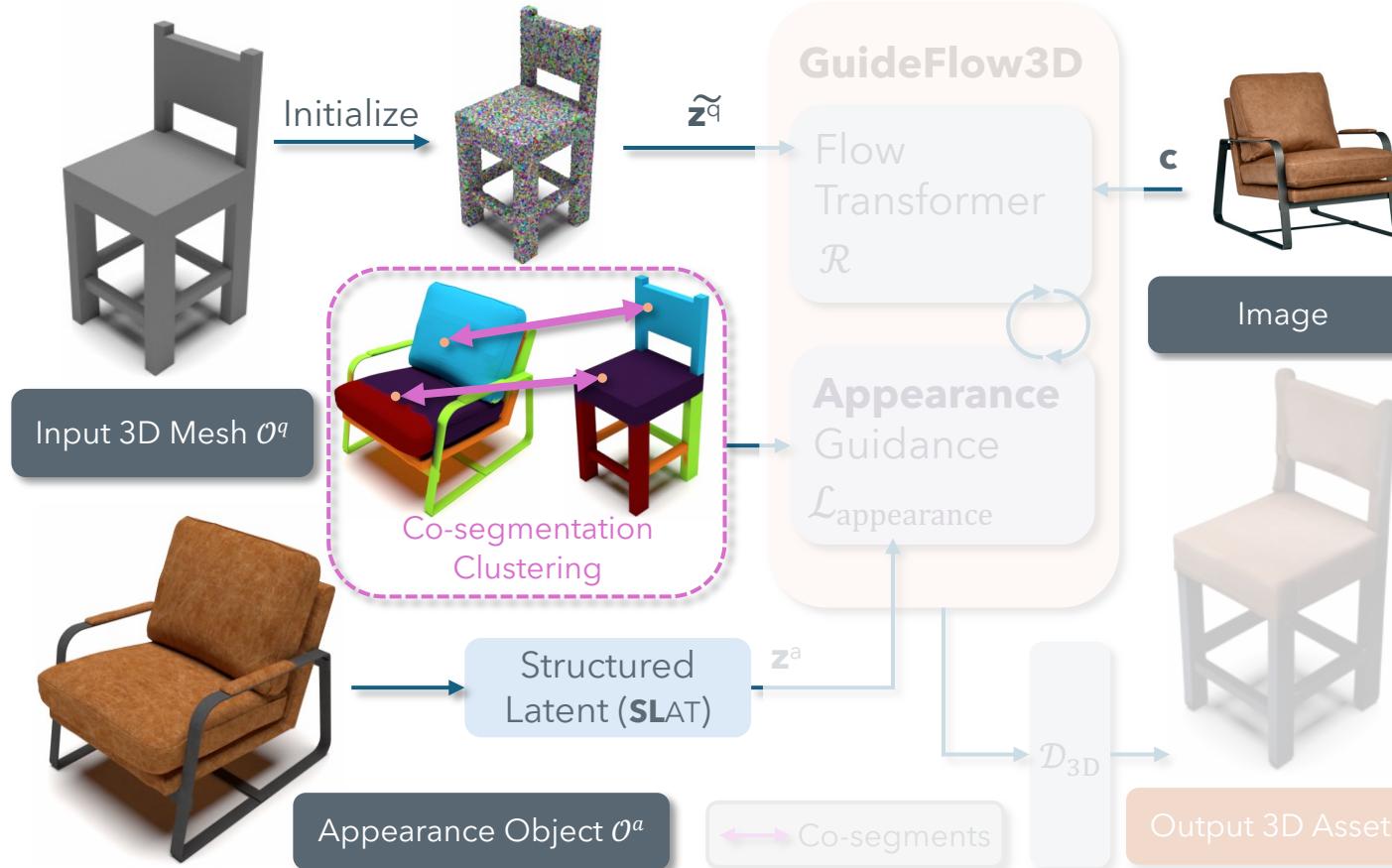
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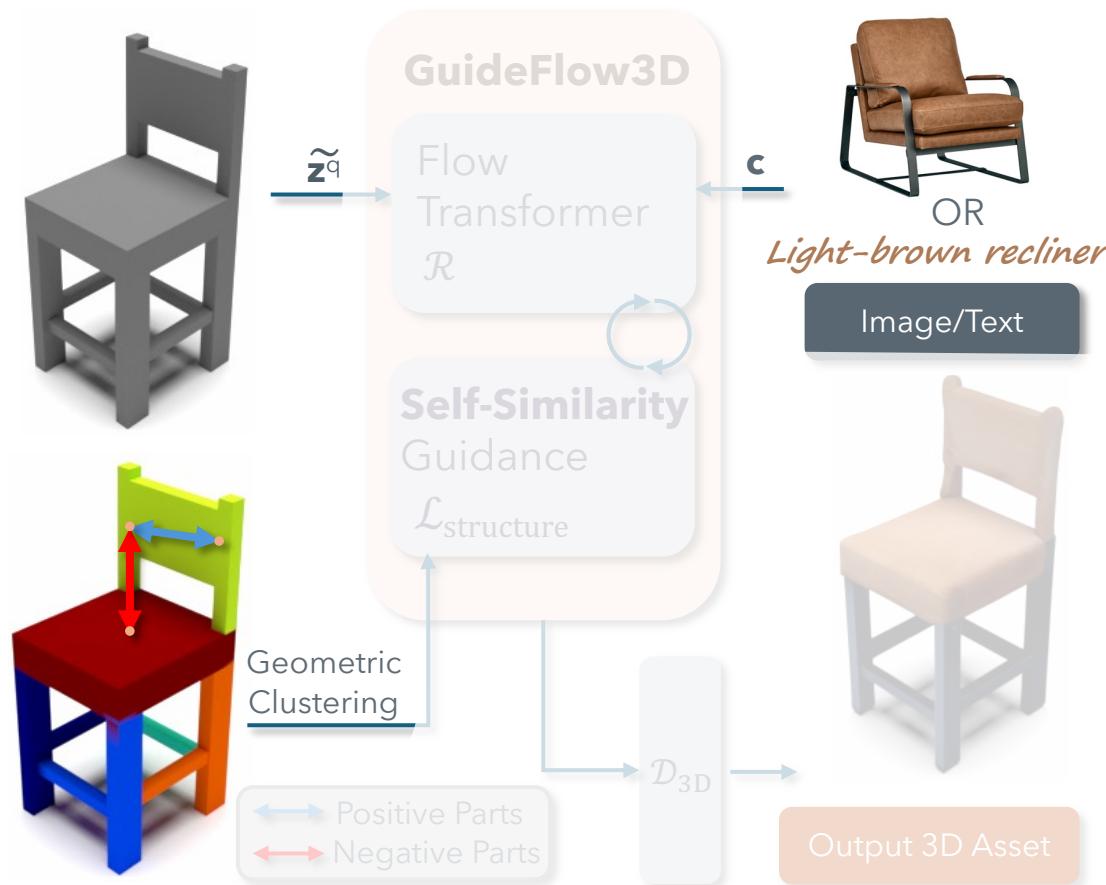
Part-Aware Semantic Guidance



Matches input and appearance latents through **part-based co-segmentation**.

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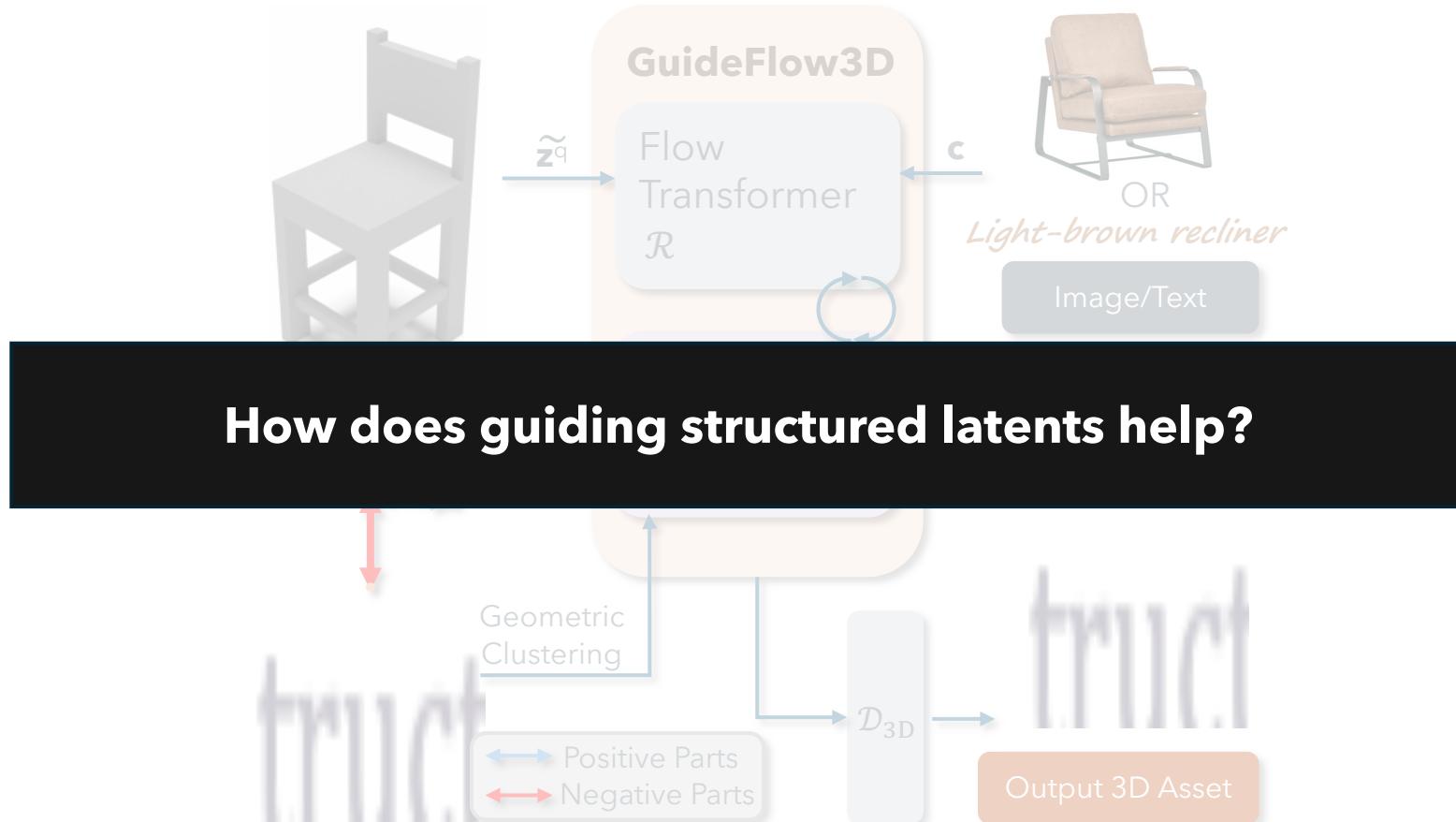
Self-Similarity Guidance



Promotes **local consistency** without **homogenizing appearance** globally.

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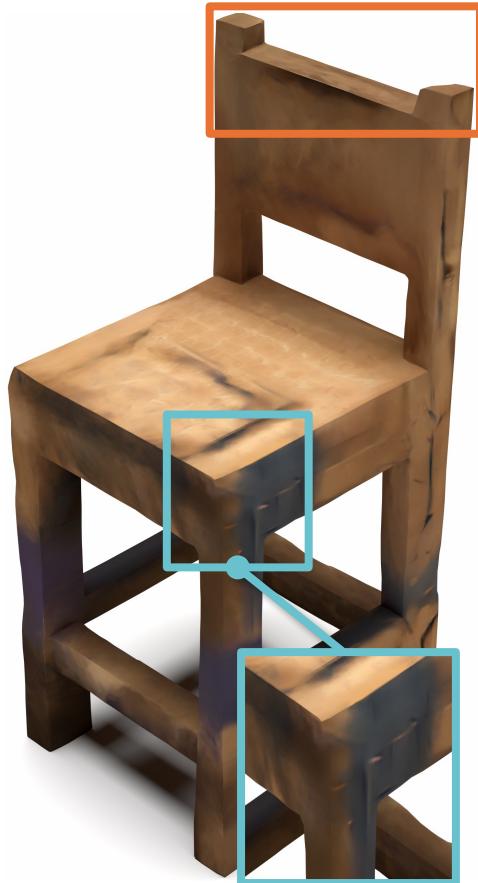
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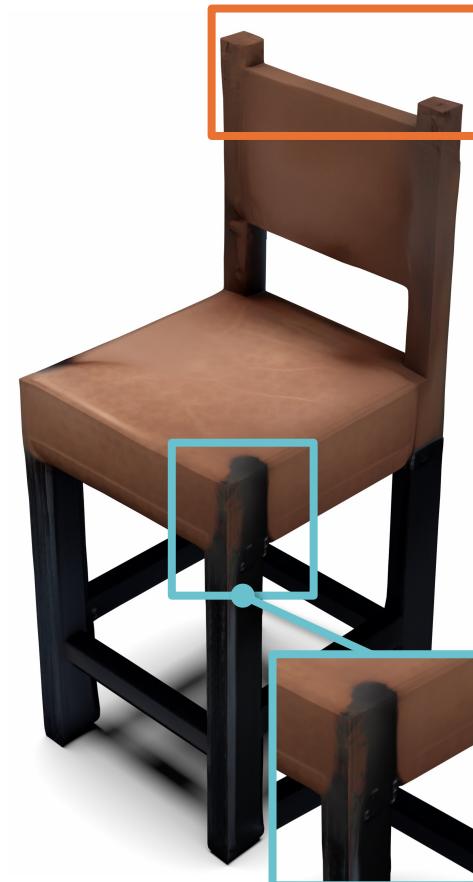
Appearance Object



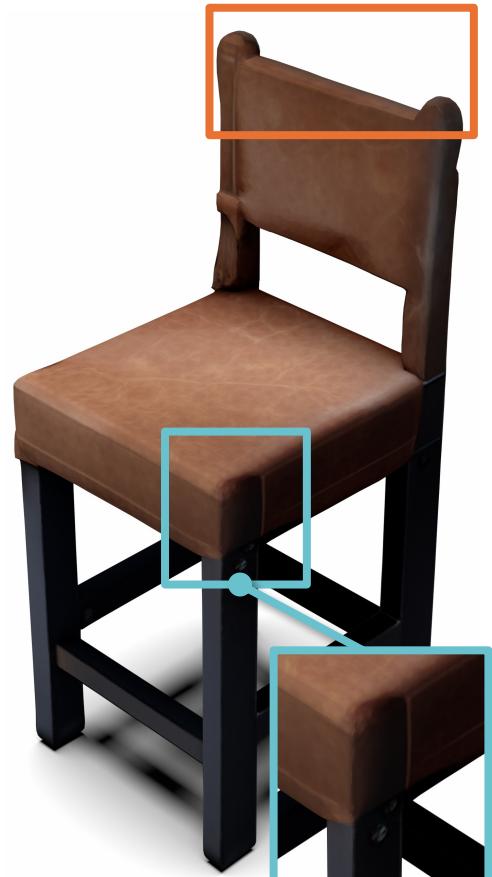
w/o Rectified Flow



w/o Guidance



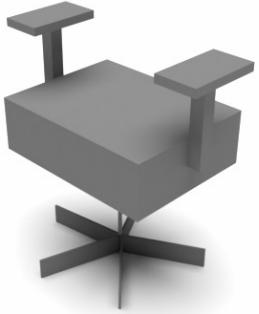
w/ GuideFlow3D



From plausible shapes to semantically grounded textures.

Results: Intra-Category with Image

Transfers **fine-grained texture** while preserving **part consistency** and **shape fidelity**.



Input 3D Mesh



Appearance Image



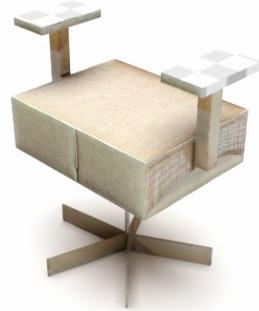
UV Nearest Neighbor



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Cross Image Attention



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Results: Intra-Category with Text

Aligns text-based appearance with object structure and semantics.



Input 3D Mesh

Reddish-brown rectangular wooden cabinet on short legs with two drawers, an open shelf, and a built-in power socket.

Appearance Text



UV Nearest Neighbor



SDXL + Cross Image Attention



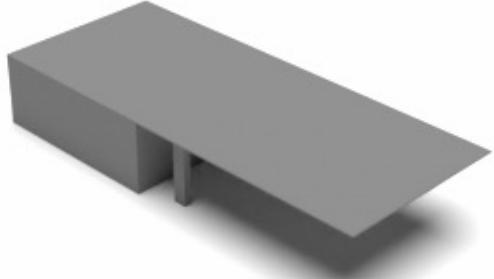
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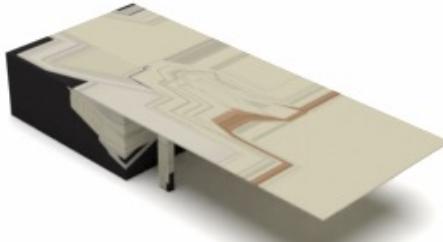
Generalizes across category, retaining **realistic materials** and **geometric structure**.



Input 3D Mesh



Appearance Image



UV Nearest Neighbor



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Results: Inter-Category with Text

Generalizes across categories from **abstract textual cues**.



Input 3D Mesh

Light rectangular coffee table with three-plank top, black metal accents, central drawer with ring handle, and thick black tapered legs.

Appearance Text



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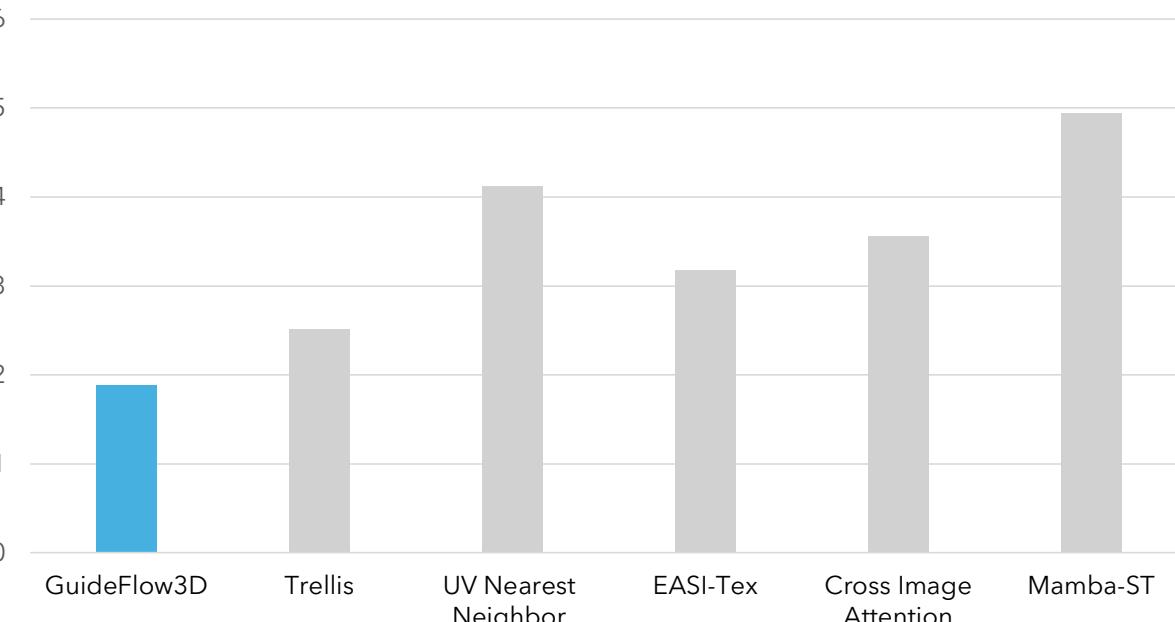


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Quantitative Evaluation

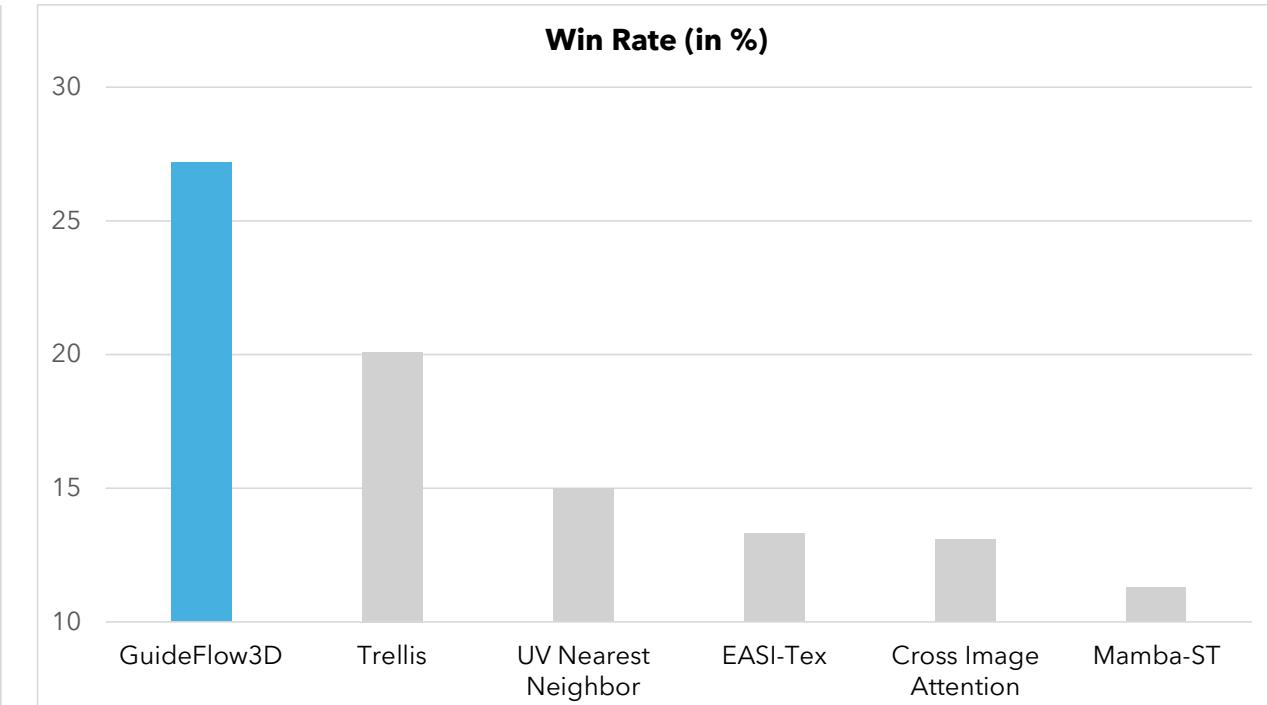
LLM Evaluation

Preference Rank (scale of 1-6)



Human Evaluation

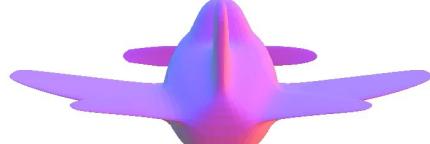
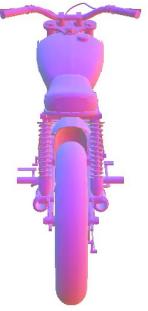
Win Rate (in %)



LLM rankings align with human preferences, confirming superior appearance transfer quality.

Application: In-the-Wild

Input 3D Mesh



Appearance Object



Output 3D Asset

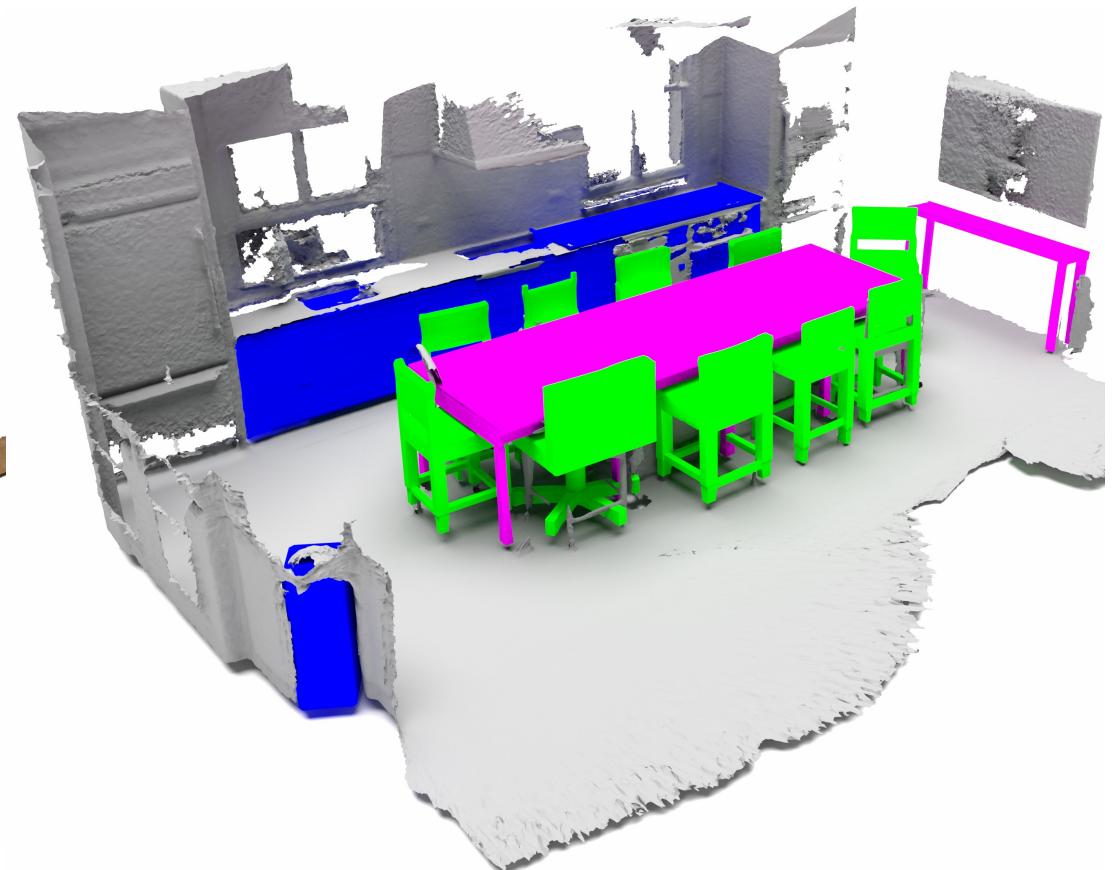


Application: Scene Editing

Input Scene



Appearance Objects

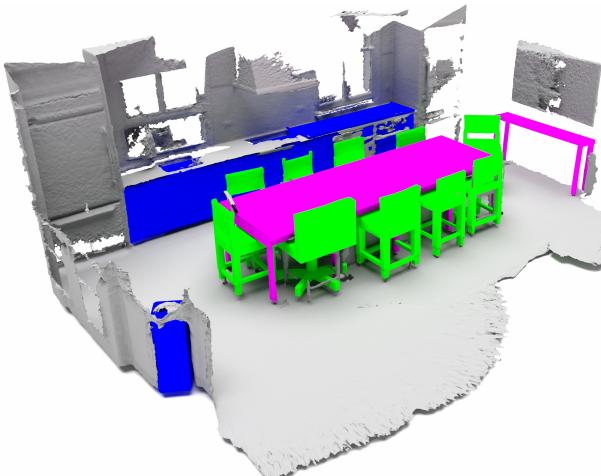


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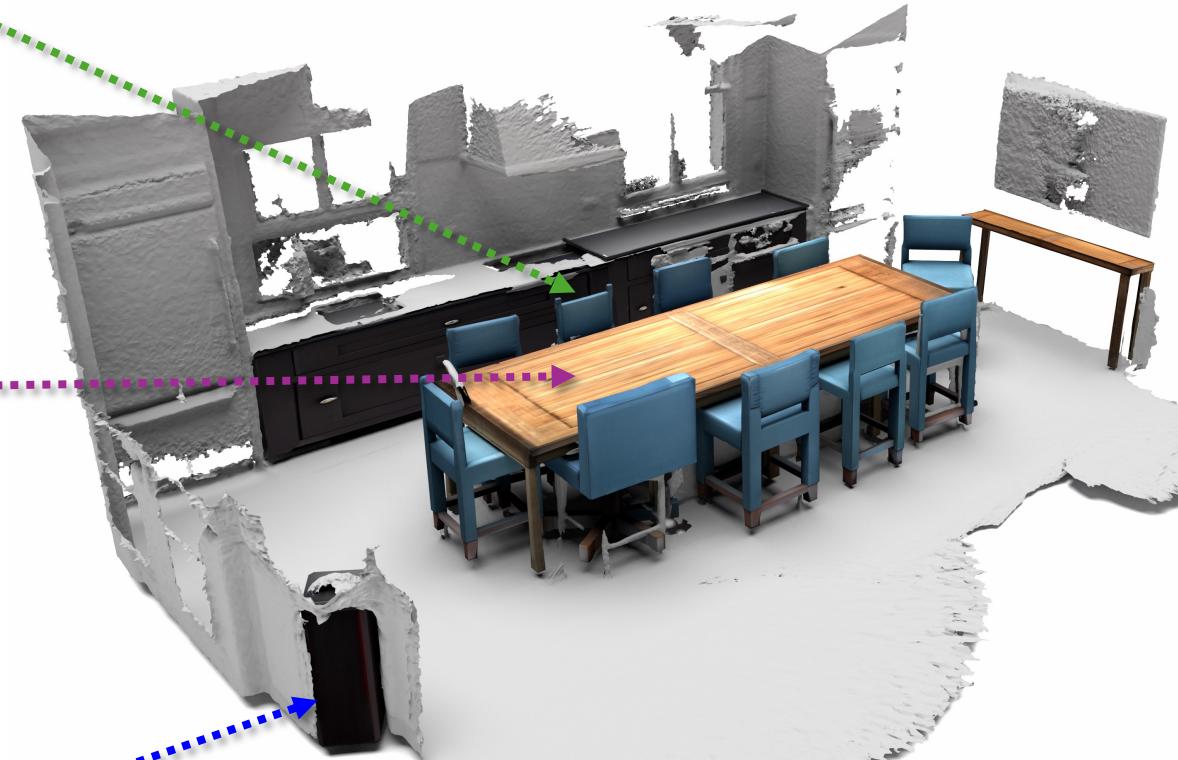
Input Scene



Appearance Objects



Output Scene



Scene Restyling with context-aware transfer

Limitations: Where Do We Still Fail?

Interpreting **abstract semantics without ambiguity** remains an open challenge!



Input 3D Mesh



Appearance Image



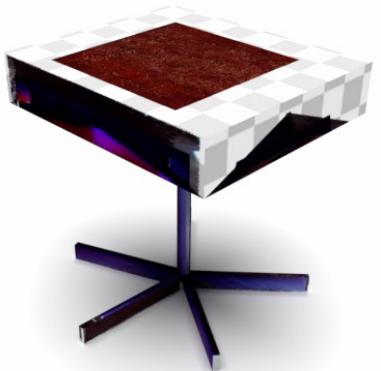
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Key Takeaways

- Novel framework for 3D appearance transfer that applies universal, differentiable guidance to a pretrained rectified flow model
- Training-free approach, generalizable to different appearance representations

Bring controllable creativity to 3D generative design!

Future Directions

- Can we train self-supervised model for fast and efficient inference?
- Can we, in principle, extend the guidance objectives to other tasks, eg, 3D reconstruction?



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