

GAP: Gaussianize Any Point Clouds with Text Guidance

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Figure 1. GAP gaussianizes point clouds into high-fidelity 3D Gaussians with diverse appearances. Left: Examples of text-guided Gaussian generation from object-level point cloud. Bottom-right: Scene-level results with prompts ‘A modern lounge’ and ‘A rainbow bedroom’.

Abstract

3D Gaussian Splatting (3DGS) has demonstrated its advantages in achieving fast and high-quality rendering. As point clouds serve as a widely-used and easily accessible form of 3D representation, bridging the gap between point clouds and Gaussians becomes increasingly important. Recent studies have explored how to convert the colored points into Gaussians, but directly generating Gaussians from colorless 3D point clouds remains an unsolved challenge. In this paper, we propose GAP, a novel approach that gaussianizes raw point clouds into high-fidelity 3D Gaussians with text guidance. Our key idea is to design a multi-view optimization framework that leverages a depth-aware image diffusion model to synthesize consistent appearances across different viewpoints. To ensure geometric accuracy, we introduce a surface-anchoring mechanism that effectively constrains Gaussians to lie on the surfaces of 3D shapes during optimization. Furthermore, GAP incorporates a diffuse-based inpainting strategy that specifically targets at completing hard-to-observe regions. We evaluate GAP on the Point-to-Gaussian generation task across varying complexity levels, from synthetic point clouds to challenging real-world scans, and even large-scale scenes.

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1. Introduction

Point clouds serve as a fundamental representation in 3D computer vision, playing a crucial role across various domains, e.g., autonomous driving, augmented/virtual reality and robotics. With recent advances in 3D scanning devices, such as LiDAR sensors and depth cameras, point clouds have bridged the gap between the physical and digital worlds. However, it still remains a research challenge to effectively transform the geometries of raw point clouds

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032 into high-quality 3D appearances that maintain structural fi-
033 dельty while providing visual-appealing renderings.

034 For high-quality 3D visualization, mesh-based represen-
035 tation has long been the standard approach. However, such
036 a representation faces two major limitations: (1) for meshes
037 with dense faces, the constrained texture resolution limits
038 the final rendering quality, and (2) the heavy reliance on
039 UV unwrapping [58] introduces additional complications
040 such as texture overlapping, fragmentation, and distortion
041 issues. While these limitations can be addressed with care-
042 ful manual intervention, they present significant obstacles
043 in fully automated pipelines. Recent advances in 3D Gaus-
044 sian Splatting (3DGS) [21] have revolutionized neural ren-
045 dering by offering an efficient and high-quality alternative
046 to NeRF-based [27] or mesh-based representations. More-
047 over, 3DGS eliminates the need for explicit UV parameteri-
048 zation, which makes it particularly attractive for real-world
049 applications.

050 Although several attempts have been made to bridge
051 point clouds and 3DGS, existing approaches still face sev-
052 eral significant limitations. For example, Large Point-
053 to-Gaussian [25] model trains a feedforward network for
054 Gaussian primitive generation, but it requires point cloud
055 inputs with color attributes. DiffGS [57] approaches this
056 challenge by learning a reconstruction scheme from points
057 to Gaussians, yet struggles in generalizing to generate di-
058 verse and high-quality 3D appearances.

059 To address these challenges, we propose GAP, a novel
060 approach that generates high-quality Gaussian primitives by
061 Gaussianizing 3D raw point clouds. GAP leverages both
062 geometric information from input point clouds and appear-
063 ance guidance from pretrained text-to-image diffusion mod-
064 els. Specifically, we first introduce a progressive generation
065 scheme that optimizes Gaussian primitives across multiple
066 viewpoints by leveraging a depth-aware text-to-image dif-
067 fusion model. To ensure geometric accuracy, we design
068 a surface-anchoring mechanism that effectively constrains
069 Gaussians to lie on object surfaces during optimization,
070 leading to Gaussian generations consistent to the geo-
071 metry. After optimization, the generated high-quality Gaus-
072 sians can cover most of the surface, however, there are still
073 some unseen areas that require further processing. To ad-
074 dress this, we propose a diffuse-based Gaussian inpainting
075 strategy that gaussianizes the unseen points by leveraging
076 the spatial relationships and geometric consistency of the
077 visible Gaussians. To this end, GAP generates high-fidelity
078 3D Gaussians that maintain both geometric accuracy and
079 visual quality.

080 We evaluate GAP extensively across diverse datasets, in-
081 cluding both synthetic and real-world scanned point clouds
082 of objects and scenes. Comprehensive experiments demon-
083 strate that our method consistently outperforms state-of-
084 the-art alternatives in terms of visual quality. We believe

GAP opens new possibilities for Point-to-Gaussian genera-
085 tion, bridging the gap between widely-used, easily accessi-
086 ble point cloud data and high-quality 3D Gaussian represen-
087 tations. Our contributions can be summarized as follows:

- We proposed GAP, a novel framework that gaussianizes raw point clouds into high-quality Gaussian primitives. GAP introduces both geometric priors and text guidance with large text-to-image diffusion models to generate diverse and visual-appealing appearances from point clouds.
- We design a Gaussian optimization framework that progressively optimizes Gaussian attributes across multiple viewpoints, with a surface anchoring constraint to ensure geometric accuracy. A diffuse-based Gaussian inpainting strategy is further introduced to handle occluded regions.
- Comprehensive evaluations under synthetic and real-scanned point cloud datasets of objects and scenes demonstrate that GAP significantly outperforms the state-of-the-art methods.

2. Formatting your paper

2.1. Texture Generation

The advent of deep learning has revolutionized texture genera-
106 tion for 3D models. Early learning-based approaches
107 primarily utilized GANs [15, 28, 31], while recent methods
108 [5, 20, 24, 43, 48] leverage large-scale text-to-image dif-
109 fusion models [16, 35] as powerful priors for high-fidelity
110 texture synthesis. A series of works [9, 26, 45] adopts Score
111 Distillation Sampling [30] as their optimization strategy
112 for texture generation, iteratively refining textures through
113 optimizing rendered images with respect to text prompts.
114 Another stream of research [7, 33, 39] proposes efficient
115 texture synthesis through depth-guided inpainting, where
116 textures are progressively generated along specified view-
117 points. Additionally, some approaches [1, 10, 51] focus on
118 multi-view generation with geometric guidance, followed
119 by UV-space refinement. However, maintaining texture
120 continuity across UV seams remains challenging due to the
121 discontinuous nature of UV mapping. Despite these ad-
122 vances, UV distortion and cross-view consistency remain
123 challenging, particularly for complex objects.

2.2. Rendering-Driven 3D Representation

While mesh-based representations [4, 37] remain the stan-
126 dard for 3D visualization, they face limitations in tex-
127 ture resolution and UV parameterization [22, 36]. Re-
128 markable progress has been achieved in the field of novel
129 view synthesis with the proposal of Neural Radiance Fields
130 (NeRF) [27]. Through volume rendering[13] optimization,
131 NeRF achieves outstanding view synthesis quality, though
132 its computational overhead during rendering is consider-
133 able. 3D Gaussian Splatting (3DGS) has emerged as an

135 advanced 3D representation which shows convincing per-
 136 formance in real-time rendering. [21, 23, 38, 42, 46, 50]
 137 By representing scenes with a set of 3D Gaussian primitives,
 138 3DGS achieves both high-quality rendering and effi-
 139 cient real-time performance.

140 2.3. 3DGS Generation Methods

141 With the advancement of 3D Gaussian Splatting, develop-
 142 ing effective generative models for 3DGS has emerged as a
 143 popular research topic. A series of studies [17, 44, 52, 61]
 144 have explored image-based reconstruction without genera-
 145 tive modeling, which fundamentally limits their ability to
 146 generate diverse shapes. These methods also lack point-
 147 conditioned generation capabilities. Recent point cloud-to-
 148 Gaussian conversion approaches [25] rely heavily on the
 149 availability of RGB point clouds as input. While Gaussian
 150 painter [56] uses reference images for stylization, it lacks
 151 precise control over the final appearance. This highlights
 152 the need for a framework generating high-quality Gaussians
 153 from point clouds with flexible appearance control.

154 3. Method

155 We introduced GAP, a novel method that establishes a
 156 bridge between raw point clouds and 3D Gaussians by neu-
 157 ral gaussianizing. Given an input point cloud $P = \{p_i\}_{i=1}^N$,
 158 our goal is to generate Gaussians $G = \{g_i\}_{i=1}^M$ from P ,
 159 conditioned on the text prompt c . The overview of GAP
 160 is shown in Fig. 2. We begin by previewing Gaussian
 161 Splatting, along with the initialization strategy in Sec. 3.1.
 162 In Sec. 3.2, we present a progressive Gaussian genera-
 163 tion scheme that utilizes a powerful text-to-image diffusion
 164 model to generate or inpaint images from a given view-
 165 point. We further introduce a Gaussian optimization strat-
 166 egy which learns Gaussian attributes from the generated
 167 images representing high-fidelity appearance, in Sec. 3.3.
 168 While the object is largely observable from various view-
 169 points, certain regions remain difficult to capture. To ad-
 170 dress this, we introduce a diffuse-based Gaussian inpainting
 171 method in Sec. 3.4.

172 3.1. Gaussian Initialization

173 **Preview 3D Gaussian Splatting.** 3D Gaussian Splatting
 174 (3DGS) [21] is a modern representation technique that mod-
 175 els 3D shapes or scenes through a collection of Gaussian
 176 primitives. Each Gaussian g_i is defined by a set of param-
 177 eters that characterize its geometry and appearance proper-
 178 ties. The geometry of g_i is mathematically defined by its
 179 center position $\sigma_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and a covariance matrix Σ_i , formu-
 180 lated as:

$$181 g_i(x) = \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \sigma_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - \sigma_i) \right). \quad (1)$$

182 The covariance matrix Σ_i is constructed from a rota-
 183 tion matrix $r_i \in \mathbb{R}^4$ and a scale matrix $s_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ($\Sigma_i =$
 184 $r_i s_i s_i^T r_i^T$). Σ_i determines the Gaussian's shape, orienta-
 185 tion, and range in space. Beyond geometry, each Gaussian
 186 encompasses visual attributes including an opacity term o_i
 187 and view-dependent color properties c_i , implemented as
 188 spherical harmonics.

189 **Initialization Scheme.** When generating Gaussians from
 190 an input point cloud $P = \{p_i\}_{i=1}^N$, we initialize the center
 191 positions σ_i of Gaussian primitives as the spatial coordi-
 192 nates of the points. This direct spatial mapping provides
 193 fine initial geometries for Gaussians, which roughly repre-
 194 sent the underlying 3D surfaces. To better exploit the inher-
 195 ent geometric information embedded in the point cloud, we
 196 employ CAP-UDF [55] to learn a neural Unsigned Distance
 197 Field (UDF) [11] f_u from the point cloud and derive point
 198 normals $N = \{n_i\}_{i=1}^N$ through gradient inference:

$$199 n_i = \frac{\nabla f_u(p_i)}{\|\nabla f_u(p_i)\|}. \quad (2)$$

200 Instead of vanilla 3DGS, we adopt 2D Gaussian Splat-
 201 ting (2DSG) [19] as our representation. The key idea of
 202 2DGS is to replace 3D Gaussian ellipsoids with 2D-oriented
 203 Gaussian disks for scene representation, demonstrating bet-
 204 ter performances in representing detailed local geometries.
 205 2DGS inherently encodes the normal as the disk orienta-
 206 tion. We initialize the rotation matrix r_i of each Gaussian
 207 using its normal n_i from the field f_u , ensuring that each
 208 2D Gaussian disk is accurately aligned to the correct ori-
 209 entation, providing a good initialization for subsequent opti-
 210 mization.

211 3.2. Multi-View Inpainting and Updating

212 For a sequence of specified viewpoints $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^K$, we pro-
 213 gressively generate the visual appearance at each perspec-
 214 tive to optimize the associated Gaussians. Using the learned
 215 UDF field, we employ ray marching techniques to compute
 216 the depth value for each pixel on the depth map D_j . As
 217 shown in Fig. 2(a), we render an image I_j from a specific
 218 viewpoint v_j . The rendered image I_j , along with its corre-
 219 sponding depth map D_j , mask M_j and text prompt c , are
 220 fed into the depth-aware inpainting model.

221 **Depth-aware Inpainting Model.** We leverage a depth-
 222 aware inpainting diffusion model [34, 53] as the appearance
 223 generation model. By integrating depth information into the
 224 diffusion-based inpainting process, the model enables more
 225 geometrically consistent image generation. Its encoder E
 226 operates by first encoding the masked image I concatenated
 227 with the depth map D into a latent code z_0 . The initial en-
 228 coding is:

$$229 z_0 = \mathbb{E}[I \| D]. \quad (3)$$

230 The process gradually degrades the initial latent code
 231 through a series of noise-adding operations. At each

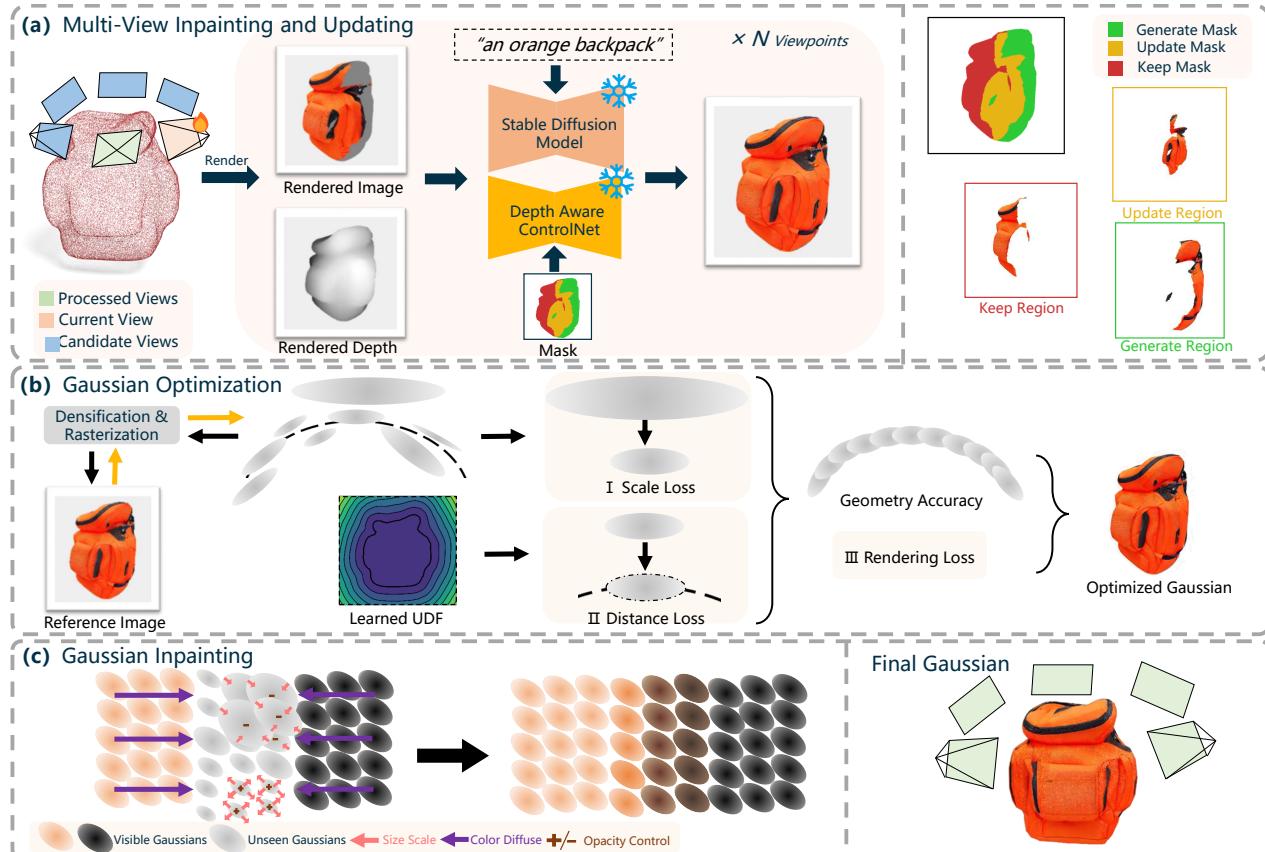


Figure 2. **Overview of GAP.** (a) We rasterize the Gaussians through an unprocessed view, where a depth-aware image diffusion model is used to generate consistent appearances using the rendered depth and mask with text guidance. The mask is dynamically classified as generate, keep, or update based on viewing conditions. (b) The Gaussian optimization includes three constraints: the Distance Loss and Scale Loss introduced to ensure geometric accuracy, and the Rendering Loss that ensures high-quality appearance. (c) The Gaussian inpainting strategy which diffuses the geometric and appearance information from visible regions to hard-to-observe areas, considering local density, spatial proximity and normal consistency.

232 timestep t , the model add Gaussian noise according to a
 233 variance schedule defined by β_t . The transformation fol-
 234 lows a probabilistic distribution:

$$235 \quad z_t | y, g_\phi(y, t, I \| D) \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\sqrt{1 - \beta_t} z_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I} \right), \quad (4)$$

236 where y is text embeddings, and g_ϕ is ControlNet function
 237 processing the image-depth input.

238 To maintain generation consistency, mask blending is
 239 operated at each timestep. Specifically, the latent encod-
 240 ing z_t at timestep t is combined with the masked region
 241 encoding $z_{M,t}$ according to masks M . The mask blending
 242 operation ensures that the content in the unmasked regions
 243 is well preserved. It can be formulated as:

$$244 \quad z_t \leftarrow z_t \odot M + z_{M,t} \odot (1 - M). \quad (5)$$

245 **Updating Scheme for Inpainting.** For the same area of the
 246 3D shape, the inpainting model may generate varying ap-
 247 pearances. We implemented an updating scheme that allows

248 us to refine previously processed regions when more favor-
 249 able viewing angles become available. Hence, masks M are
 250 divided into three distinct regions based on their visibility
 251 from the current viewpoint v_j : generate mask $M_{generate}$,
 252 keep mask M_{keep} and update mask M_{update} .

253 The generate masks $M_{generate}$ refer to blank areas that
 254 have never been generated before. The keep masks M_{keep}
 255 are those that have been processed before and the current
 256 viewpoint does not provide better viewing conditions. The
 257 calculation of the update mask M_{update} involves evaluating
 258 whether to refresh a region based on the similarity between
 259 its viewing directions and normals. Specifically, we define
 260 a similarity mask $M_{similarity}$ to quantify the observabil-
 261 ity of surface details from different viewing angles. For a
 262 viewpoint v_j , the similarity mask value is computed as the
 263 cosine similarity between the viewing direction d_j and the
 264 point normal N : $M_{similarity} = d_j \cdot N$. A region should be
 265 updated when the current view provides a better observation

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angle than any other view:

$$M_{update}^j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } M_{similarity}^j > M_{others} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

The final inpainting $I_{inpaint}$ is generated by combining two different denoising processes: a stronger denoising for newly generated regions (generate masks) and a weaker denoising for regions requiring updates (update masks). The final appearance is achieved as:

$$I \leftarrow I_{inpaint} \odot (1 - M_{keep}) + I \odot M_{keep}. \quad (7)$$

3.3. Gaussian Optimization

For a given viewpoint v_j , we can now generate the appearance I_j with the powerful inpainting model. The Gaussians G can be optimized through I_j . Unlike the vanilla 3DGS fitting scheme that optimizes Gaussian attributes through multiple iterations across different viewpoints, GAP operates only a single optimization pass per viewpoint, which leads to more robust Gaussian generations faithfully representing the high-quality appearance I_j . Specifically, in each view-specific optimization step, we focus exclusively on optimizing the Gaussians that represent the nearest visible surface layer from the current viewpoint, without modifying the Gaussians on the back-facing surfaces, as shown in Fig. 3. To this end, we implement a Gaussian selection scheme that identifies the first intersecting Gaussian along each viewing ray originating from pixels within the generate or update mask. To manage the computational intensity of processing numerous rays, we develop a CUDA [29] implementation that exploits GPU parallelism, accelerating the Gaussian selection process to just 3 seconds.

Surface-anchoring Mechanism. During Gaussian optimization, Gaussians that float away from their expected surface positions introduce significant challenges for multi-view inpainting and updating. These Gaussians produce incorrect occlusion relationships in subsequent viewpoints, resulting in distorted masks and further degrading the quality of generation and inpainting. To this end, we introduce a surface-anchoring mechanism in terms of a distance loss which aligns Gaussians with the zero-level set of the learned unsigned distance field. Practically, we constrain distance value at each Gaussian center, queried from f_u , to be close to zero during optimization. The distance loss is formulated as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Distance} = \|f_u(\sigma_i)\|_2. \quad (8)$$

Scale Constraint. During optimization from a single viewpoint, some oversized Gaussians may lead to incorrect geometries which adversely affect the inpainting results of subsequent views. To address this issue, we introduce a scale loss that constrains the maximum value of s_i for each Gaussian. The *Scale Loss* is defined as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Scale} = (\min(\max(s_i), \tau) - \max(s_i))^2, \quad (9)$$

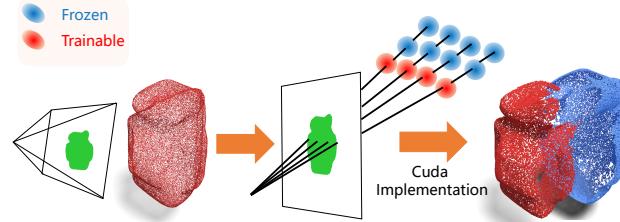


Figure 3. **Gaussian Selection scheme.** We identify the first intersecting Gaussian along each viewing ray within generate or update masks, implemented with CUDA for efficient processing.

where τ is a predefined threshold value. The scale loss effectively prevents Gaussians from growing excessively large while still allowing sufficient flexibility to model the appearance.

Rendering Constraint. Following 3DGS [21], we also employ the *Rendering Loss* during optimization. The rendering constraint consists of an $L1$ loss term and a D-SSIM term with weights of 0.8 and 0.2 respectively:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Rendering} = 0.8L_1(I'_j, I_j) + 0.2L_{D-SSIM}(I'_j, I_j), \quad (10)$$

where I'_j is the rendered image. With the balanced weight α and β , the final optimization objective can be formulated as:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{Rendering} + \alpha\mathcal{L}_{Distance} + \beta\mathcal{L}_{Scale}. \quad (11)$$

3.4. Diffuse-based Gaussian Inpainting

Even with comprehensive multi-view capturing from densely sampled viewpoints, certain regions of the 3D object are still challenging to observe. As shown in Fig. 2(c), to model the appearances of the unseen areas, we propose a diffuse-based Gaussian inpainting approach. Our method effectively recovers missing appearance in the final representation, as shown in Fig. 4. Our approach operates inpainting directly in 3D space, leveraging the inherent structure and spatial relationships of the visible Gaussians. Using the Gaussian selection scheme across multiple viewpoints, we can effectively identify the unseen Gaussians $G' = \{g'_j\}_{j=1}^{M'}$, which are not optimized at any view. For the unseen Gaussians, whose positions and normal directions have already been well initialized through the Gaussian initialization scheme proposed in Sec. 3.1, we primarily focus on predicting their remaining properties, such as color, scale, and opacity.



Figure 4. The Gaussian inpainting approach effectively completes the unseen regions by propagating properties from visible Gaussians.

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Color Diffuse. To predict the color attributes of the unseen regions, we implement a diffusion mechanism that propagates the attributes of nearby Gaussians. For each unseen

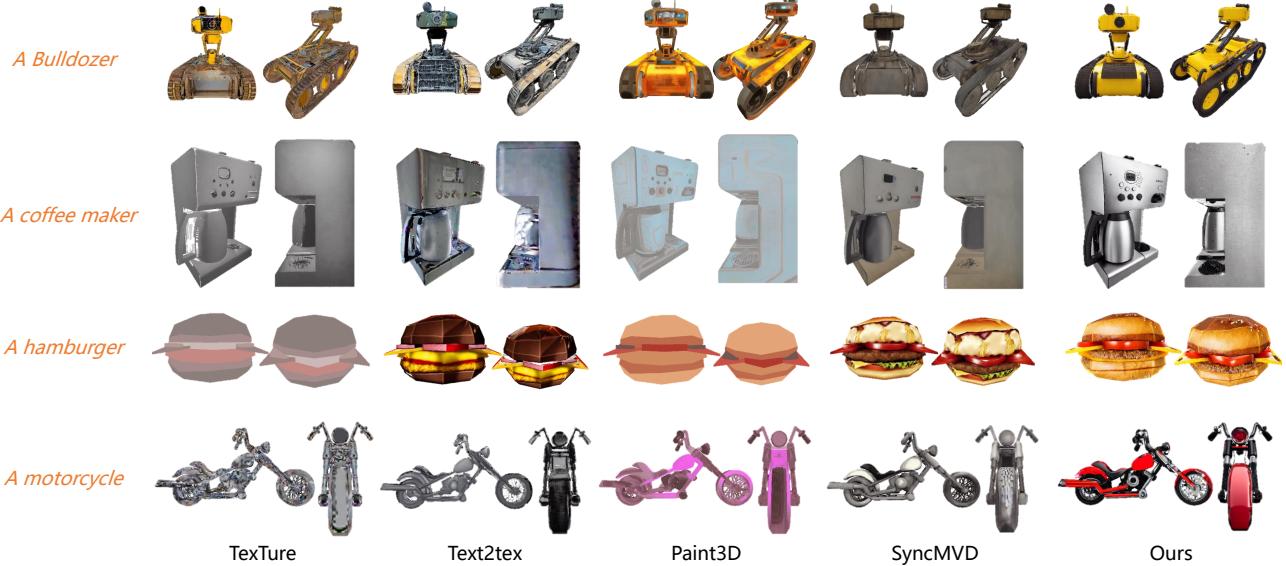


Figure 5. Visual comparison of text-guided appearance generation results on the Objaverse dataset.

356 Gaussian g'_j , we first locate its L nearest optimized neighbor
 357 Gaussians as the reference. We design a weighting strategy
 358 that incorporates spatial proximity, geometric consistency,
 359 and opacity reliability during color diffuse. Let o_{max} be
 360 the maximum opacity value among all neighbor Gaussians.
 361 For each valid neighbor g_i of the unseen Gaussian g'_j , we
 362 define its color weight λ_i as follows: when the angle be-
 363 tween the normals of g_i and g'_j is less than 60 degrees, i.e.,
 364 $(\mathbf{n}_i \cdot \mathbf{n}_j) > 0.5$, the weight is calculated as:

$$\lambda_i = \frac{1/d_i}{\sum_{k=1}^L 1/d_k} \cdot (\mathbf{n}_i \cdot \mathbf{n}_j) \cdot \frac{o_i}{o_{max}}. \quad (12)$$

366 Otherwise, the weight is set to 0. The distance term $1/d_i$
 367 prevents the far Gaussians with inconsistent appearances to
 368 largely affect the color, while the normal consistency term
 369 $(\mathbf{n}_i \cdot \mathbf{n}_j)$ preserves geometric features by prioritizing color
 370 propagation between Gaussians with similar surface ori-
 371 entations. The opacity reliability term o_i/o_{max} ensures that
 372 Gaussians with higher opacity values have a stronger influ-
 373 ence on the color prediction. Finally, the color c'_j of the
 374 unseen Gaussian g'_j can be formulated as:

$$c'_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^L (c_i * \lambda_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^L \lambda_i}. \quad (13)$$

376 **Size Scale.** To predict appropriate scales for the unseen
 377 Gaussians g'_j , we consider the L nearest neighbors (includ-
 378 ing both optimized and unseen Gaussians). The scale is ad-
 379 justed based on the spatial proximity of these neighbors.
 380 The scale s'_j of an unseen Gaussian is computed as:

$$s'_j = \log\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^L d_i}{L}\right), \quad (14)$$

382 where d_i represents the distance between the unseen Gaus-
 383 sian g'_j and its neighbor g_i . We incorporate distance weight-
 384 ing, as larger distances indicate sparser regions that require
 385 larger scales.

386 **Opacity Control.** For predicting the opacity o'_j of an un-
 387 seen Gaussian g'_j , we employ a density-based control mech-
 388 anism. The opacity within a radius ρ is inversely propor-
 389 tional to the local Gaussian density. The opacity o'_j of an
 390 unseen Gaussian g'_j is computed as:

$$o'_j = \frac{o_0}{\max(1, P/P_0)}, \quad (15)$$

391 where o_0 is a base opacity value, P is the number of neigh-
 392 boring Gaussians within a specified radius ρ , and P_0 is a
 393 reference density threshold. The opacity control scheme en-
 394 sures that regions with higher Gaussian density have lower
 395 opacity values, preventing over-accumulation of color while
 396 maintaining proper surface coverage.

4. Experiments

397 We first evaluate GAP’s core capability of text-driven ap-
 398 pearance generation in Sec. 4.1. In Sec. 4.2, we compare
 399 GAP’s performance specifically on the Point-to-Gaussian
 400 generation task with other Gaussian generation methods.
 401 Next, we further validate GAP’s capability on real-world
 402 scanned point clouds, where the inputs are often incomplete
 403 in Sec. 4.3. In Sec. 4.4, we showcase GAP’s scalability by
 404 applying it to scene-level point clouds. Finally, the ablation
 405 studies are shown in Sec. 4.5.

4.1. Text-Driven Appearance Generation

406 **Datasets and Metrics.** Following prior works [7, 33], we
 407 conduct experiments on the curated subset of the Objave-
 408 rse [12] dataset containing 410 textured meshes across



Figure 6. Visual comparison of point-to-Gaussian generation results on DeepFashion3D.

225 categories. Unlike previous methods that require perfect meshes, we only use a sampled point cloud of $100K$ points as input. We employ three complementary metrics: Fréchet Inception Distance (FID) [49] and Kernel Inception Distance ($KID \times 10^{-3}$) [3] for assessing image quality, and CLIP Score [32] for measuring text-image alignment. All methods use identical text prompts describing each object. We render all objects at a high resolution of 1024×1024 pixels from fixed viewpoints.

Baselines. For visual appearance, we compare GAP with state-of-the-art 3D texture generation methods: TexTure [33], Text2Tex [7], Paint3D [51], and SyncMVD [24], all of which rely on UV-mapped meshes. And the original meshes in the subset of the Objaverse dataset include artist-created UV maps. For a fair comparison with those methods under the same conditions of point cloud inputs, we reconstruct meshes from the input point clouds using the traditional Ball-Pivoting Algorithm (BPA) [2] and SOTA learning-based method CAP-UDF [54]. We then generate UV maps through xatlas [47] unwrapping.

Comparison. The quantitative comparison in Tab. 1 shows that GAP outperforms previous state-of-the-art methods. Unlike approaches relying on artist-created UV maps, GAP leverages Gaussian Splatting for inherently higher rendering quality. The performance gap is even more pronounced compared to baselines using reconstructed meshes, which suffer from topological ambiguities, connectivity errors, and geometric distortions. These issues, compounded by dense mesh reconstructions and automated UV unwrapping, often result in severe texture artifacts. In contrast, GAP bypasses UV parameterization by directly optimizing Gaussian primitives in 3D space. As shown in Fig. 5, while existing methods generate plausible appearances, they struggle with detail preservation. By directly optimizing appearance in 3D space, GAP achieves superior visual quality across object categories. A more detailed visual comparison with mesh-based methods is provided in the supplementary material.

To assess visual appearance and text alignment, we con-

Table 1. Quantitative comparison with baselines on the Objaverse dataset. Best results are highlighted as 1st, 2nd and 3rd .

Method	FID↓	KID↓	CLIP↑	User Study	
	Overall Quality↑	Text Fidelity↑			
TexTure [33]	42.63	7.84	26.84	2.90	3.05
Text2Tex [7]	41.62	6.45	26.73	3.48	3.62
SyncMVD [24]	40.85	5.77	27.24	3.12	3.4
Paint3D [51]	41.08	5.81	26.73	3.07	3.33
TexTure _{BPA}	60.69	15.98	26.62	1.46	1.62
Text2Tex _{BPA}	64.35	16.67	26.18	2.86	3.06
SyncMVD _{BPA}	60.29	14.35	26.19	2.85	3.12
Paint3D _{BPA}	65.36	17.37	25.14	1.45	1.45
TexTure _{CAP}	53.55	12.43	26.68	2.23	2.60
Text2Tex _{CAP}	52.78	11.09	26.78	3.03	3.57
SyncMVD _{CAP}	63.85	16.92	25.81	2.97	3.09
Paint3D _{CAP}	59.49	13.56	24.99	2.38	2.40
Ours	40.39	5.28	27.26	4.21	4.47

ducted a user study with 30 participants. Each participant independently evaluated results from all methods across multiple viewpoints, rating them on a scale of 1 to 5.

4.2. Point-to-Gaussian Generation

Datasets and Implementations. To evaluate GAP’s effectiveness in Point-to-Gaussian generation, we conduct experiments on two datasets: the ShapeNet chair category [6] and DeepFashion3D [60]. We uniformly sample $100K$ points from each 3D model to generate input point clouds. GAP is compared with three state-of-the-art methods DreamGaussian [38], TriplaneGaussian [61], and DiffGS [57], all using the same $100K$ point clouds as input. Please refer to the supplementary for the adaptions of those baseline methods, as well as additional results.

Performance. We provide visual comparisons with baseline methods in Fig. 6, GAP consistently generates more visually appealing and geometrically accurate results compared to existing approaches. The baseline methods exhibit several key limitations. DreamGaussian, despite incorporating Score Distillation Sampling (SDS) for appearance optimization, tends to produce over-saturated appearances with unnatural colors. Additionally, its optimization process is computationally intensive and highly parameter-sensitive. TriplaneGaussian and DiffGS are fundamentally constrained by their limited-resolution triplane representa-

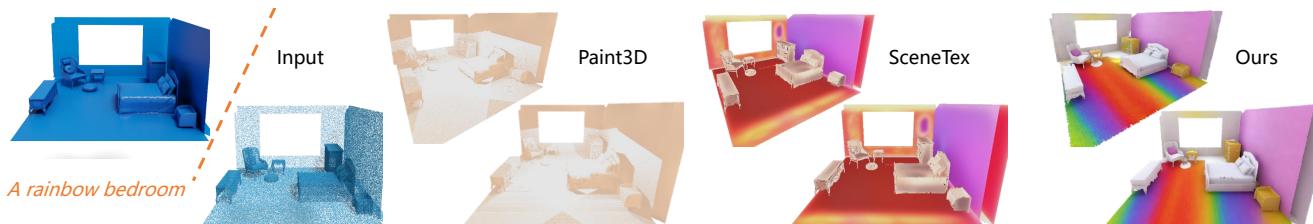


Figure 7. Scene-level Gaussianization comparison on 3D-FRONT datasets.

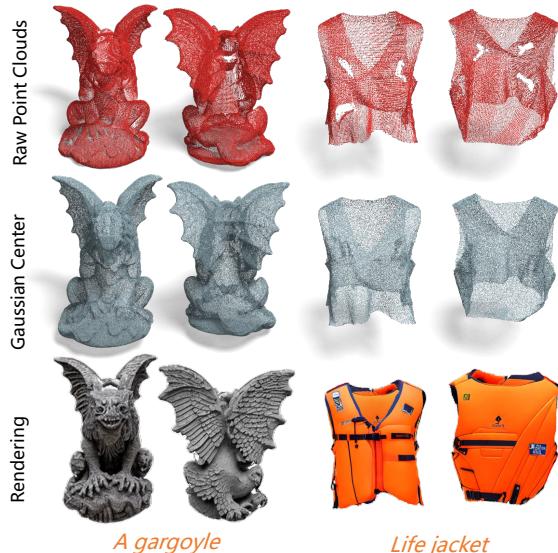


Figure 8. Results on real-world partial scans from SRB and Deep-Fashion3D datasets.

tions, limiting their ability to capture appearance details.

4.3. Gaussian Generation for Scanned Inputs

Datasets. We evaluate GAP on real-world partial scans from SRB (Scan-to-Reality Benchmark) [41] and Deep-Fashion3D [60] datasets. Both datasets contain point clouds captured by depth sensors, presenting real-world challenges such as incomplete coverage, occlusions and scanning artifacts. We directly use the raw scanned point clouds as input. **Performance.** As shown in Fig. 8, GAP successfully gaussianizes partial point clouds into complete, high-quality Gaussian representations. Our surface-anchoring mechanism effectively pull the split and cloned 3D Gaussians to fill missing regions while preserving geometric consistency. The results demonstrate that our method can robustly handle artifacts and occlusions in real-world scanned point clouds and generate visually appealing Gaussians.

4.4. Scale to Scene-Level Gaussian Generation

Datasets. We evaluate GAP on both synthetic and real-world scene datasets. For synthetic scenes, we use 3D-FRONT [14], which features diverse indoor environments. We sample 500K points from scene meshes as input. For real-world evaluation, we use raw point clouds from the 3D

Scene dataset [59], which poses challenges such as complex topology, varying point densities, and scanning artifacts.

Comparision. Compared to Paint3D [51] and Scenetex [8], our method achieves superior visual quality. As shown in Fig. 7, Paint3D fails on scene-level data, while SceneTex requires both VSD optimization [40] and additional LoRA [18] training, significantly increasing processing time. In contrast, our method produces high-quality results for complex scenes with a single optimization process. Please refer to the supplementary for more results on real-world scenes.

4.5. Ablation Study

To analyze the effectiveness of key components in GAP, we performed a series of controlled experiments. The performance was measured using three metrics: FID, KID, and CLIP Score. These metrics were computed on rendered images captured from multiple viewpoints. We evaluate some major designs of our framework in Tab. 2. Without the Scale Loss, Gaussians grow excessively large, leading to distorted results in subsequent views. The Distance Loss prevents Gaussians from drifting away from object surfaces, maintaining geometric accuracy. The diffuse-based Gaussian Inpainting ensures complete coverage in hard-to-observe regions. Each component proves essential for achieving optimal performance.

Table 2. Ablation study of key components in GAP.

Method	FID↓	KID↓	CLIP↑
Full Model	40.39	5.28	27.26
W/o $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Scale}}$	214.63	79.04	26.25
W/o $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Distance}}$	161.04	23.29	24.30
W/o GS Inpainting	46.37	8.77	27.21

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we presented GAP, a novel approach that generates high-quality 3D Gaussians from raw point clouds with text guidance. We design a multi-view optimization framework which learns Gaussian attributes from text-to-image diffusion models. The surface-anchoring constraint and diffuse-based Gaussian inpainting scheme are proposed to ensure geometric accuracy and appearance completion. Extensive experiments demonstrate GAP’s effectiveness on both synthetic and real-world scanned data, from objects to large-scale scenes.

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