

# Layout guidance related paper discussion

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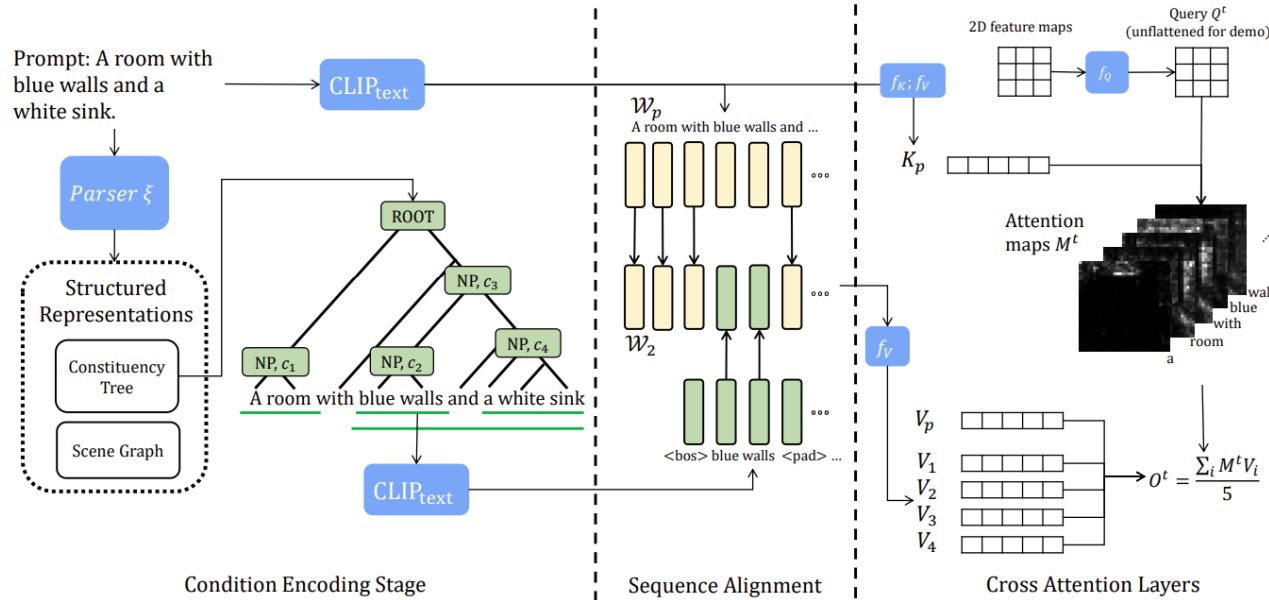
# Attention map editing methods: Structure diffusion

- Focus on attribute binding problem
- Attention maps control layout structure and value matrix  $V$  controls object semantics mapped into attended regions
- Embed each noun phrase (np) separately to form multiple value  $V_1, \dots, V_k$  to address contextualization problem of CLIP (i.e. tokens in the later part of a sequence are blended with the token semantics before them)

A yellow apple and a red banana  
A yellow apple / a red banana

CLIP

Prompt embedding  
Individual np embedding



Original attention map:

Use the whole text prompt to generate value matrix  $V_p$ .

The output cross-attention map  $a = AV_p$  where  $A$  is the attention score map.

Adjusted attention map:

Use individual nps to generate value matrix  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k$ .

The output attention map  $a = \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_i AV_i, i = p, 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

Training-Free Structured Diffusion Guidance Compositional Text-to-Image Synthesis

<https://weixi-feng.github.io/structure-diffusion-guidance/>

# Attention map editing methods: Structure diffusion

## Stable diffusion    Structure diffusion

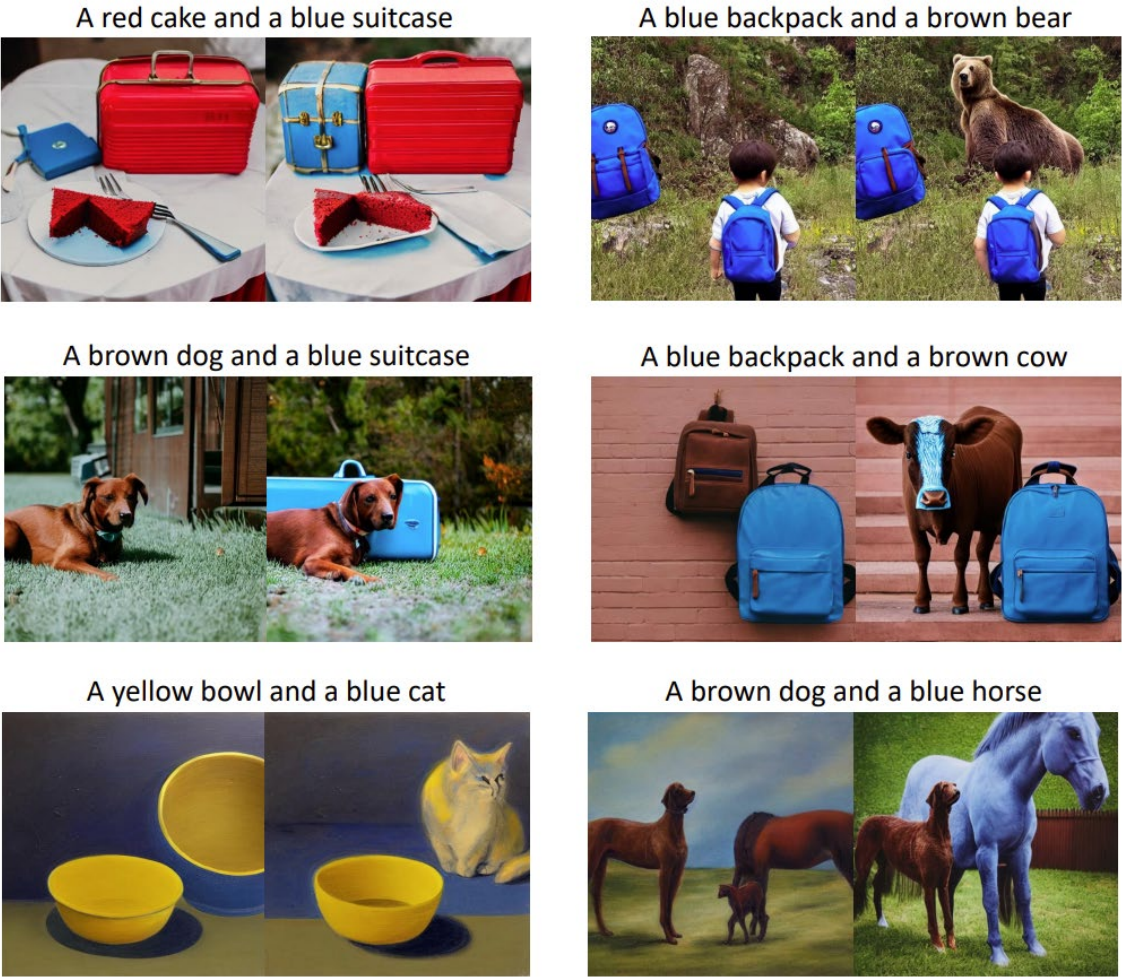


Figure 13: Qualitative results on CC-500

- Evaluation dataset:
  - Attribute binding contrast (ABC-6k): prompts from MSCOCO with contrast caption
  - Concept Conjunction 500 (CC-500): two objects conjunction
- Evaluation metrics:
  - Human evaluation
  - GLIP (phrase grounding prediction model)
  - Percentage of incomplete/ complete / complete with correct attribute images

Methods	CC-500 (Prompt format: “a [colorA] [objectA] and a [colorB] [objectB]” )					
	Human Annotations			GLIP		Human-GLIP Consistency
	Zero/One obj. (↓)	Two obj.	Two obj. w/ correct colors	Zero/One obj. (↓)	Two obj.	
Stable Diffusion	65.5	34.5	19.2	69.0	31.0	46.4
Composable Diffusion	69.7	30.3	20.6	74.2	25.8	48.9
StructureDiffusion (Ours)	62.0	38.0	22.7	68.8	31.2	47.6

## Attention map editing methods: Attend and Excite

- Focus on neglect object
- Design a loss function to strengthen the attention of the most neglected tokens.  
(similar to backward guidance in layout guidance paper)

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### Algorithm 1 A Single Denoising Step using Attend-and-Excite

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**Input:** A text prompt  $\mathcal{P}$ , a set of subject token indices  $\mathcal{S}$ , a timestep  $t$ , a set of iterations for refinement  $\{t_1, \dots, t_k\}$ , a set of thresholds  $\{T_1, \dots, T_k\}$ , and a trained Stable Diffusion model  $SD$ .

**Output:** A noised latent  $z_{t-1}$  for the next timestep

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1:  $\_, A_t \leftarrow SD(z_t, \mathcal{P}, t)$ 
2:  $A_t \leftarrow \text{Softmax}(A_t - \langle \text{sot} \rangle)$ 
3: for  $s \in \mathcal{S}$  do
4:    $A_t^s \leftarrow A_t[:, :, s]$ 
5:    $A_t^s \leftarrow \text{Gaussian}(A_t^s)$ 
6:    $\mathcal{L}_s \leftarrow 1 - \max(A_t^s)$ 
7: end for
8:  $\mathcal{L} \leftarrow \max_s(\mathcal{L}_s)$ 
9:  $z'_t \leftarrow z_t - \alpha_t \cdot \nabla_{z_t} \mathcal{L}$ 
10: if  $t \in \{t_1, \dots, t_k\}$  then ▷ If performing iterative refinement at  $t$ 
11:   if  $\mathcal{L} > 1 - T_t$  then
12:      $z_t \leftarrow z'_t$ 
13:     Go to Step 1
14:   end if
15: end if
16:  $z_{t-1, \_} \leftarrow SD(z'_t, \mathcal{P}, t)$ 
17: Return  $z_{t-1}$ 
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Loss function design:

$$L = \max_i L_i \quad L_i = 1 - \max_u A_{ui}$$

Encourage  $z_t$  to generate along the direction of increasing  $\min_i \max_u A_{ui}$ .

Find the minimum of the highest attention score of all tokens and try to increase this value during sampling.

Ignore the [SOT] attention score map

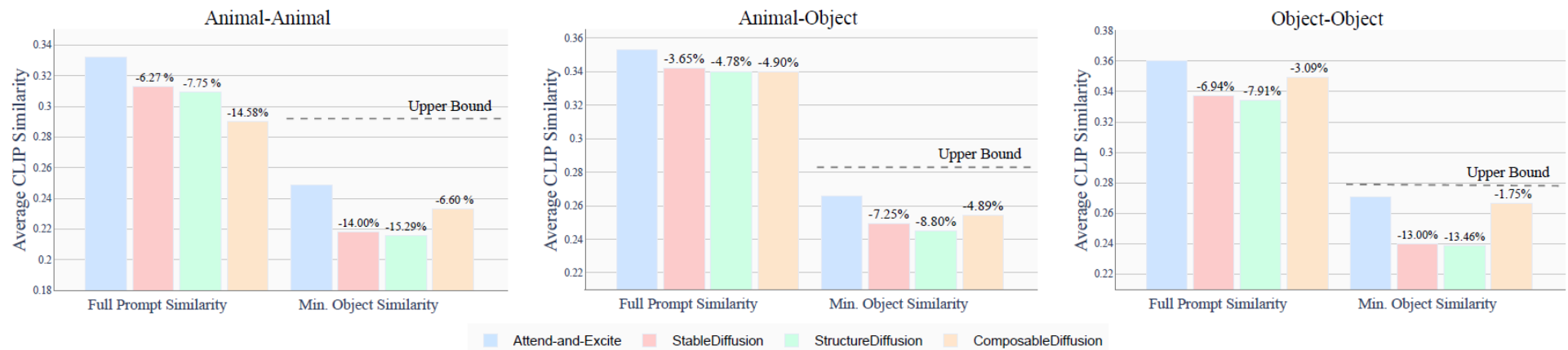


# Attention map editing methods: Attend and Excite



## Evaluation:

- CLIP similarity:
  - Image & text: full prompt / sub prompt with generated image
  - Text & text: predicted caption using generated image & original text prompt
- User study



## Attention map editing methods: Directed diffusion

- Re-weighting attention score maps on corresponding token and padding tokens (similar to forward guidance in layout guidance) risk for overly aggressive guidance


$$D_{ui} = A_{ui} \cdot W + S, W = \begin{cases} 1 & u \in B \\ c < 1 & u \notin B \end{cases}, S = \begin{cases} \text{gaussian} & f(u) & u \in B \\ 0 & & u \notin B \end{cases}, i \in \text{target token} \cup \text{padding tokens}$$

W: weaken mask    S: strengthen mask

- Find the best weighted combination of padding token maps s.t. target token maps  $A_i$  best match desired map  $D_i$

Find adjustment weights  $a_i^* \in \mathbb{R}^{77-|P|-1}$  to minimize  $L_{a_i} = \sum_i \|A_i^{t-1}(\text{Diag}(a_t) \cdot A_{|P|+1:77}^t) - D_i\|^2, \quad i \in \text{target token}.$

Only change padding tokens attention maps instead of changing target token maps directly:  $A_{|P|+1:77}^t = \text{Diag}(a_i^*) \cdot D_{|P|+1:77}^t.$



Change attention of padding maps and see their impact on the next iteration attention maps for target token

Directed Diffusion: Direct Control of Object Placement through Attention Guidance

<https://hohonu-vicml.github.io/DirectedDiffusion.Page/>



# Attention map editing methods: Directed diffusion

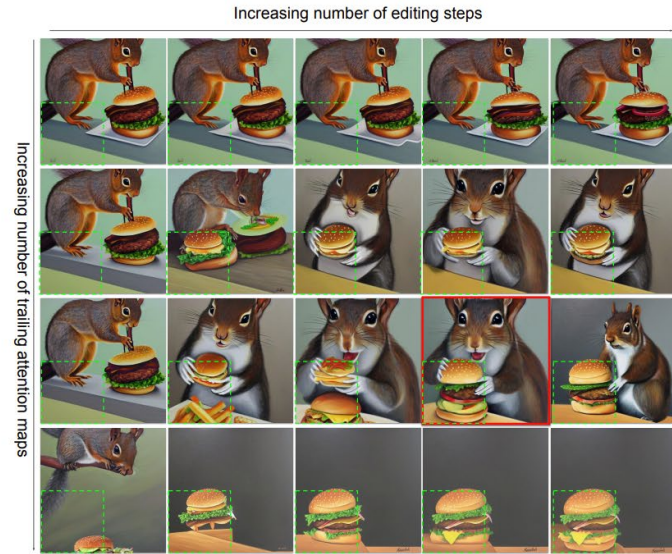


Figure 11: The number of trailing attention maps (5, 10, 15, 20, maps on the vertical axis) versus the number of attention map editing steps (1, 3, 5, 10, and 15 steps on the horizontal axis). The prompt is “A photo of a squirrel eating a burger” with the directed object “burger” positioned at the bottom left. The best results are obtained with an intermediate number of editing steps and edited trailing attention maps, as in the case of the image with the red border

- An interesting application: placement finetuning

- Impact of adjusting padding tokens attention maps

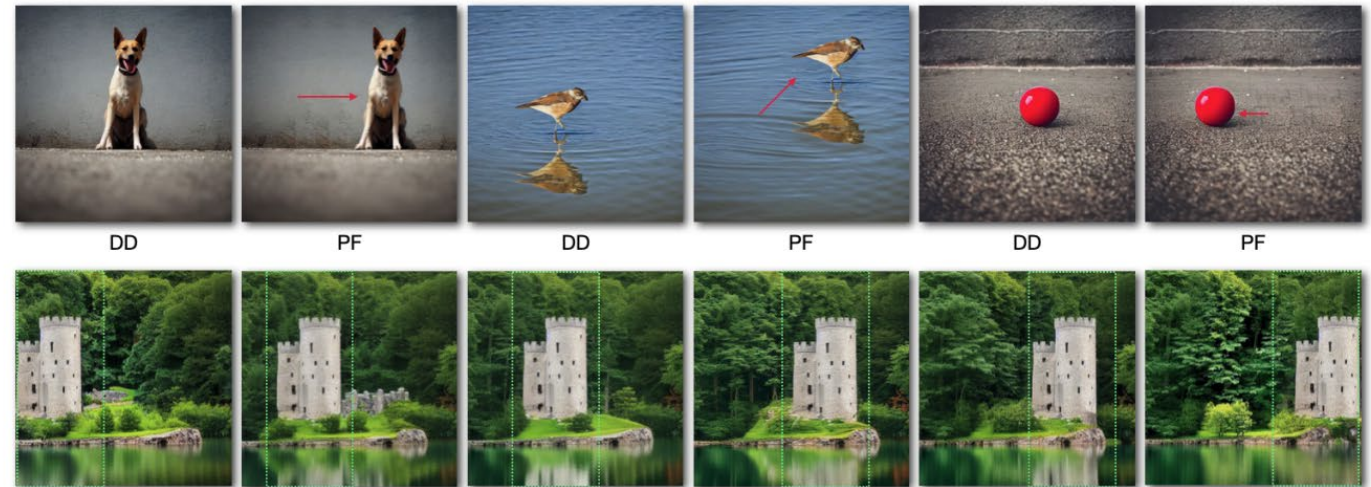


Figure 9: (Top) placement finetuning (PF) allows the position of an object to be changed while largely preserving the object identity and existing background, and without requiring network optimization or fine-tuning. (Bottom) PF is used to explore different locations for a desired castle. Compare to Fig. 7, top, where repositioning the DD bounding box results in a different castle at each location.

## Summary

- Structure diffusion and Attend & Excite don't need additional bounding boxes. They mainly focus on two major problems in compositional image generation: neglect objects and attribute binding rather than layout control.
- Layout control can also help to alleviate such problems. But layout guidance doesn't provide analysis on attribute binding.
- Role of [SOT] and padding tokens attention maps is still not clear.
- Evaluation of compositionality is mainly based on human inspection.



# Gradient guidance methods

Classifier guidance:

$$\epsilon_{\theta}(z_t, t) \leftarrow \epsilon_{\theta}(z_t, t) - \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \nabla_{z_t} \log p(c|z_t)$$

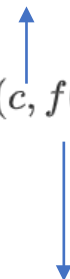
$$z_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( z_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(z_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t z$$

Encourage  $z_t$  to generate along the direction of increasing classification probability.

Extension:

$$\epsilon_{\theta}(z_t, t) \leftarrow \epsilon_{\theta}(z_t, t) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \nabla_{z_t} l(c, f(z_t))$$

Additional prompt



Guidance function

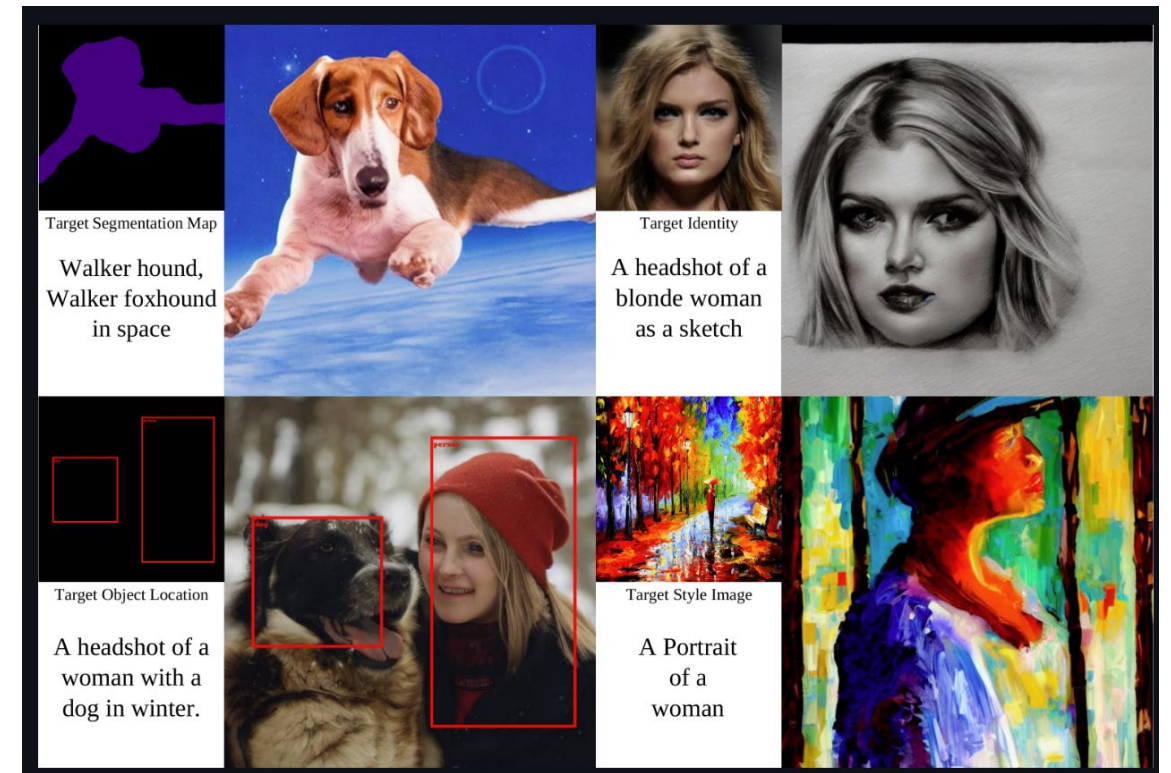
Loss function to measure the distance between guided sample and given prompt

- Use a text prompt  $c$  to generate an image  
f: CLIP image encoder  
l: dot product similarity
- Use a bounding box prompt  $c$  to generate an image  
f: object detector  
l: bounding box regression loss and classification loss
- Use a segmentation prompt  $c$  to generate an image  
f: segmentation network  
l: per-pixel cross entropy loss

# Gradient guidance methods

Universal Guidance for Diffusion Models

<https://github.com/arpitbansal297/Universal-Guided-Diffusion>



More Control for Free! Image Synthesis with Semantic Diffusion Guidance

<https://xh-liu.github.io/sdg/>

(a) Style guidance



(b) Structure-preserving guidance



(c) Out-of-domain guidance images

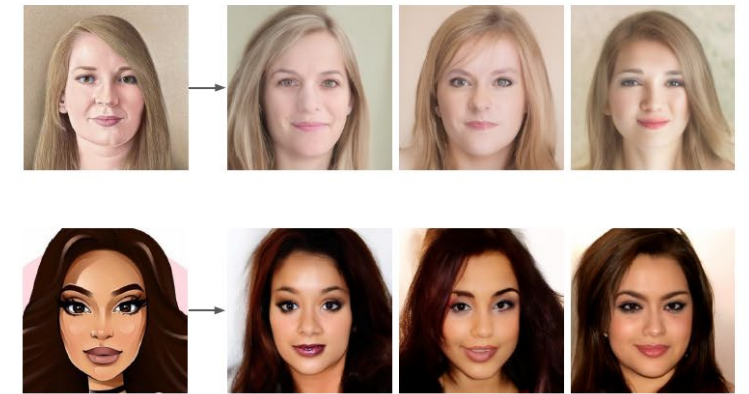


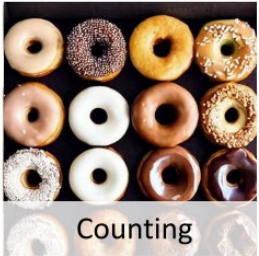
Figure 7: Different applications of SDG. (a) Style-guided synthesis. (b) Structure-preserving synthesis when the user does not want to generate diverse structures. (c) Synthesizing photo-realistic images with out-of-domain image guidance.

# Summary

- Conduct other guidance rather than bounding box guidance like segmentation guidance through attention map editing
- More detailed text prompt for objects inside bounding boxes to increase compositionality

## (b) Improve T2I Semantic Correctness

Stable Diffusion



Counting

A box contains ten donuts with varying types of glazes and toppings. {large square in the top, <245> <1> <535> <248>} red donut. {... , ...} ... {large square in the top right, <744> <18> <939> <257>} brown glazed chocolate donut.

Ours



Stable Diffusion



Relationship

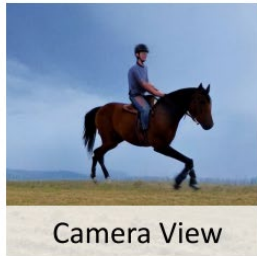
A boat below a traffic light with a park in the background. {large tall in the top, <572> <0> <686> <314>} a traffic light with the green light on. {large square in the bottom, <298> <660> <730> <904>} a white boat on the lake.

Ours



Size

A chair that looks much larger than the white airplane in the background. {large square in the bottom, <179> <454> <617> <957>} a chair. {medium long in the right, <602> <330> <863> <416>} a white airplane.



Camera View

A zoomed out view of a man riding a horse through rural country side. {medium square in the bottom right, <610> <699> <799> <854>} brown horse. {medium tall in the bottom right, <672> <630> <721> <753>} a man in blue shirt.



ReCo: Region-Controlled Text-to-Image Generation  
<https://github.com/microsoft/ReCo>