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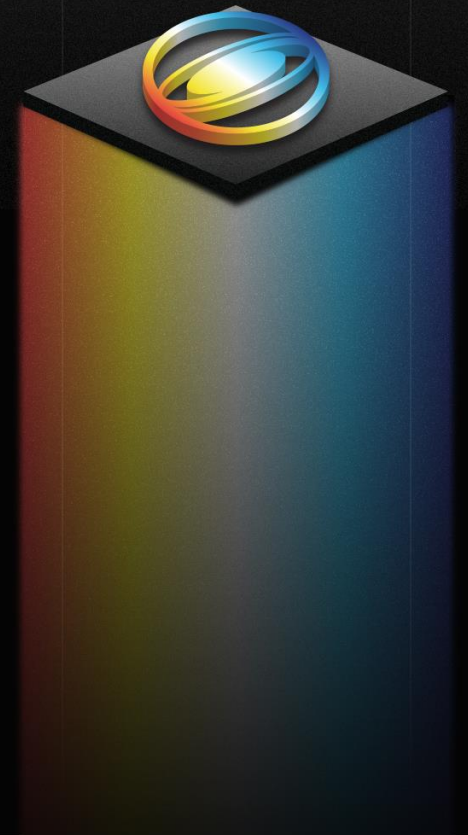
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# RGB $\leftrightarrow$ X: Image Decomposition and Synthesis Using Material- and Lighting-aware Diffusion Models

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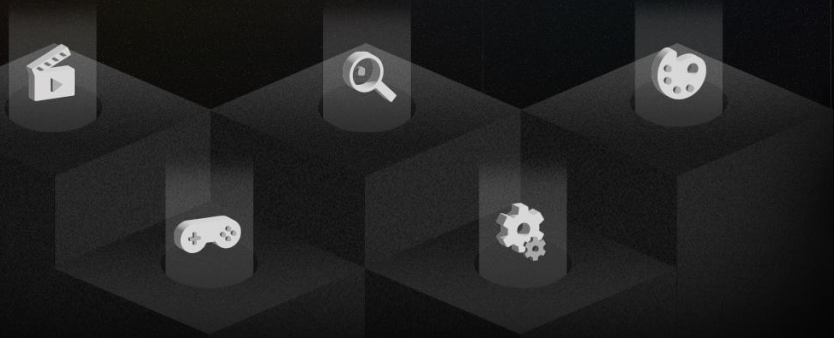


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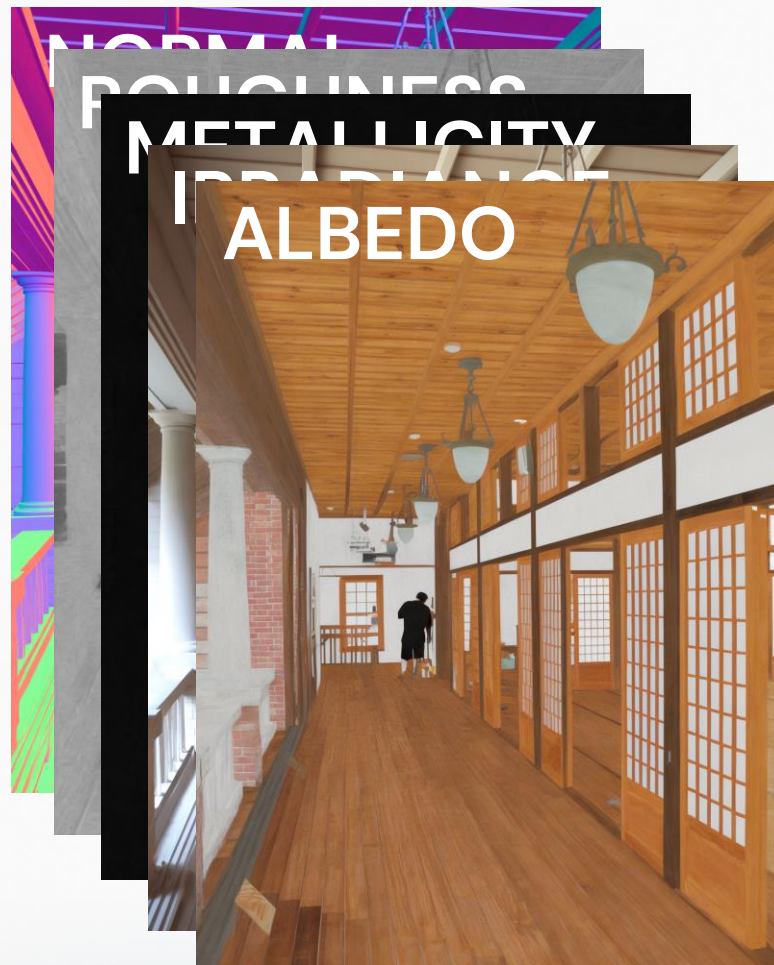
# Background



# Intrinsic decomposition

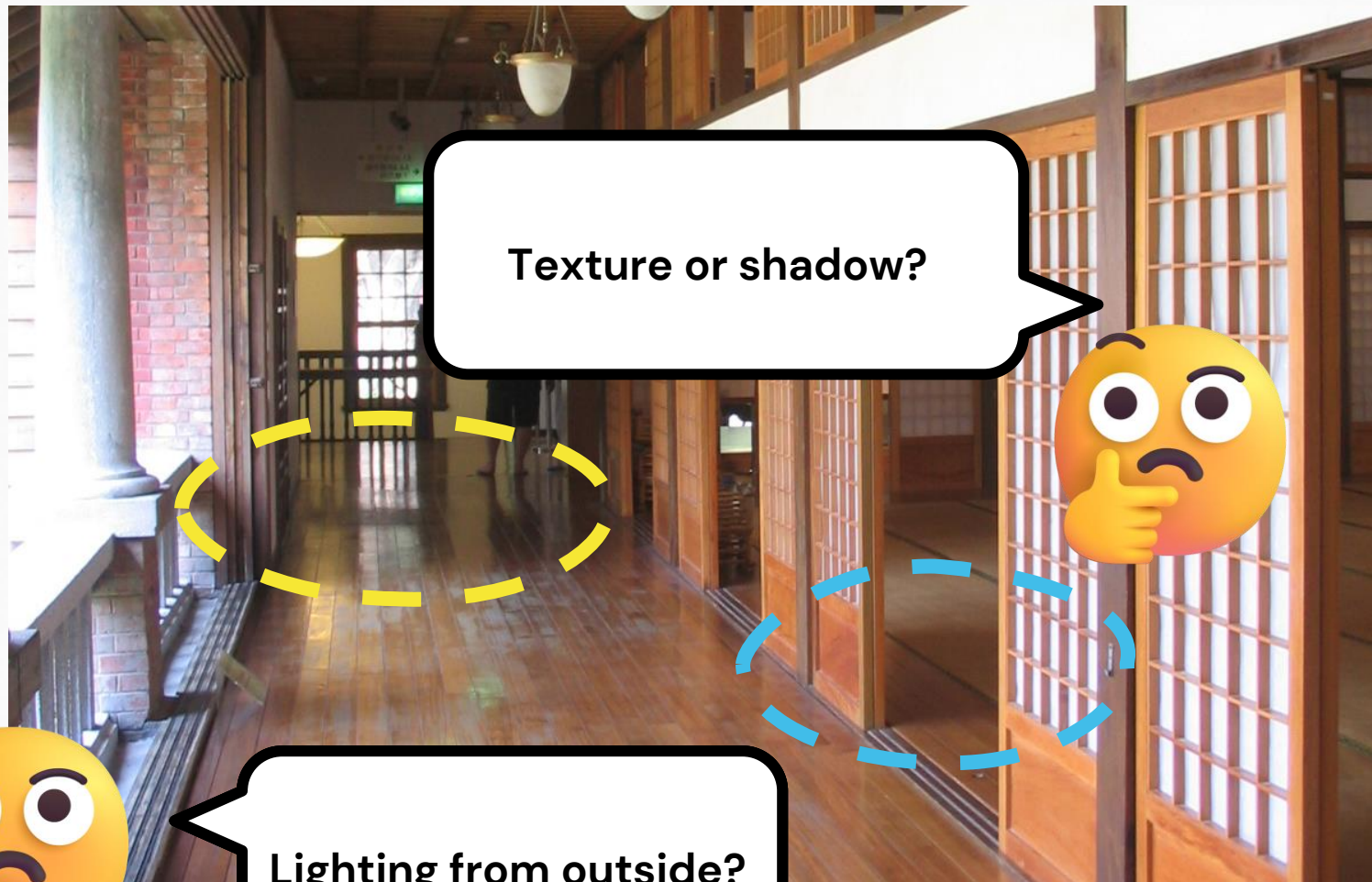
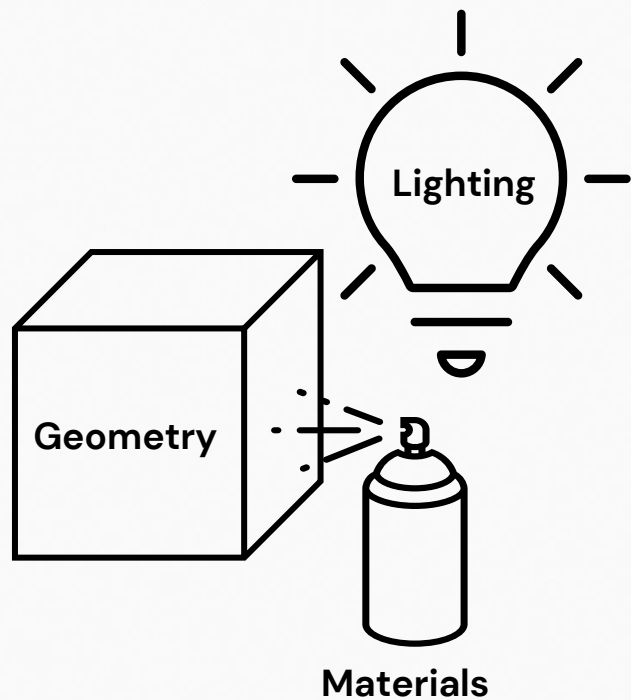


Image



Intrinsic channels

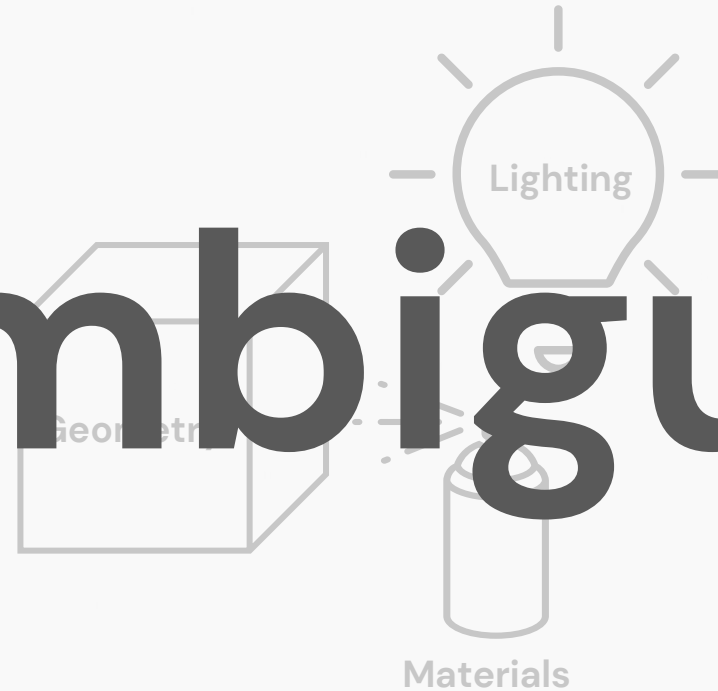
# Intrinsic decomposition is hard



Lighting from outside?

Texture or shadow?

# Ambiguity



The word "Ambiguity" is rendered in a large, bold, dark grey font. Behind the letter 'i', there is a diagram consisting of three interconnected elements: a wireframe cube labeled "Geometry" (partially obscured by the letter), a lightbulb labeled "Lighting" with radiating lines, and a cylinder labeled "Materials".

# Previous work on intrinsic decomposition (albedo channel)



Image



[Zhu et al. 2022b]



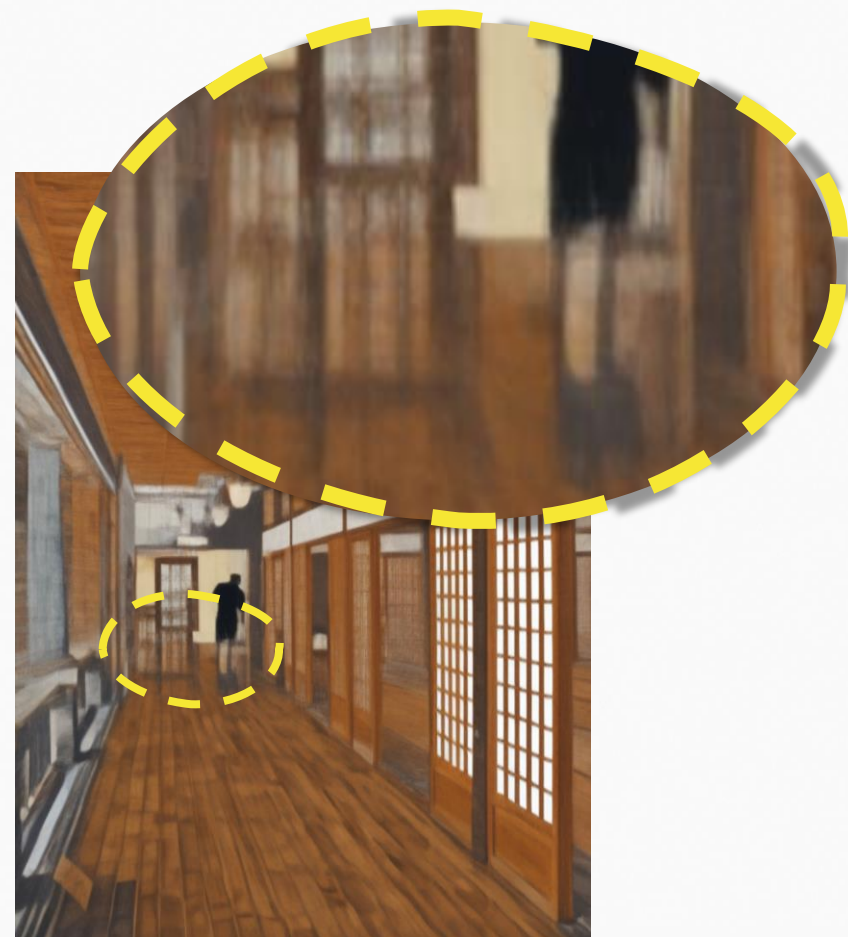
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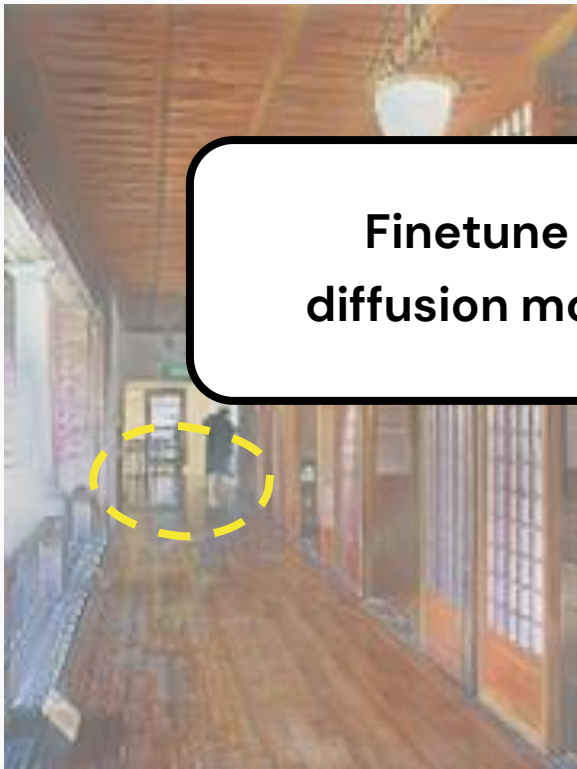
Finetune a diffusion model



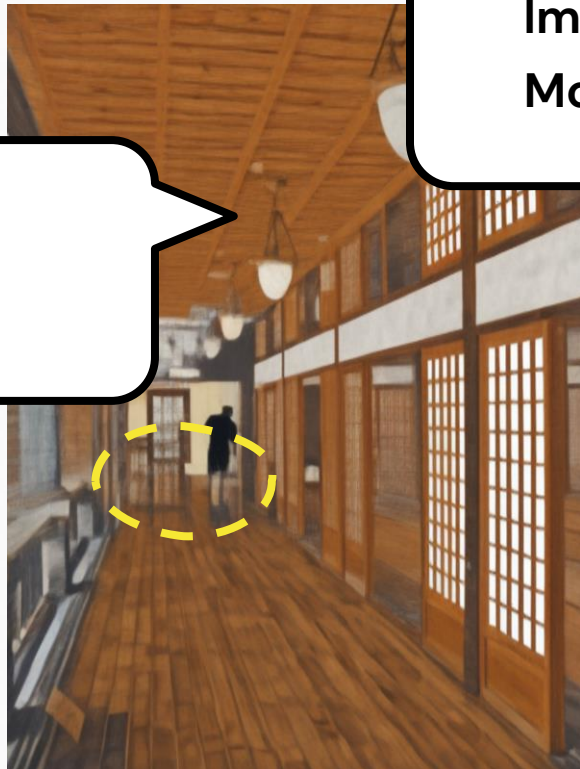
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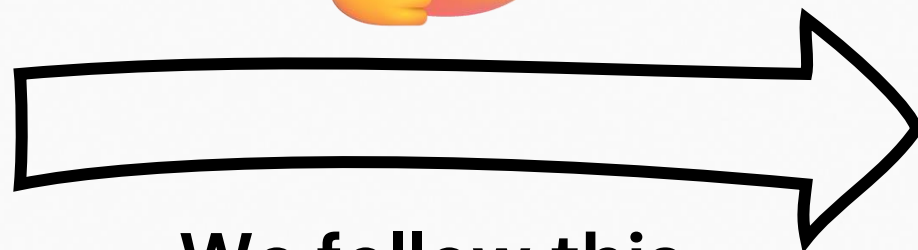


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Improvements?  
More channels?

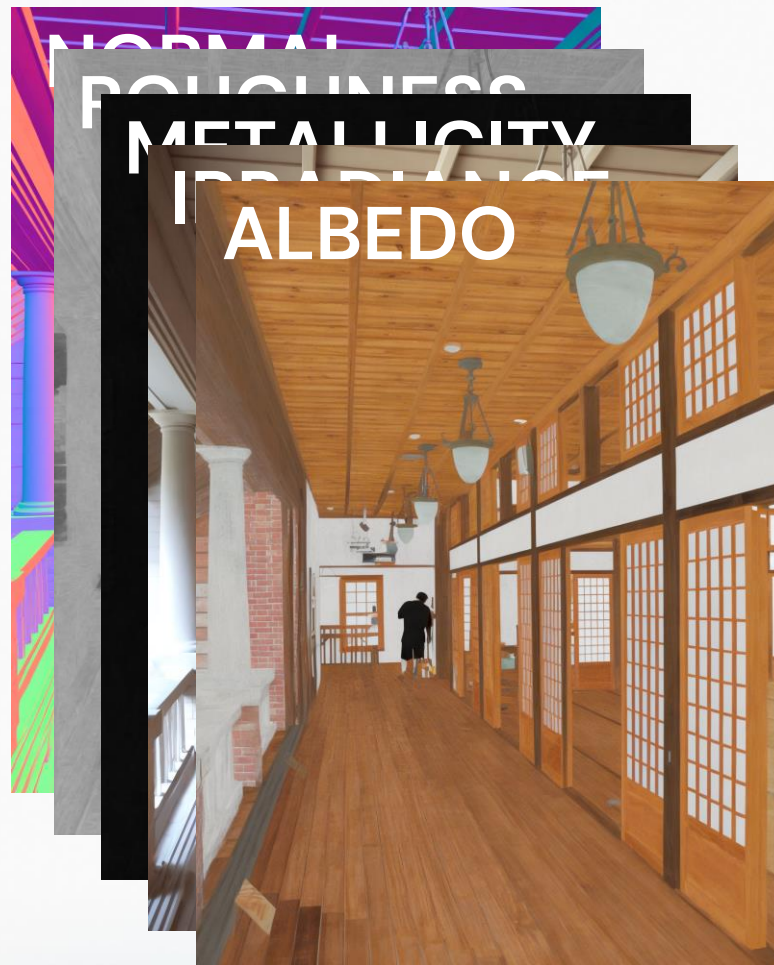


We follow this  
direction further

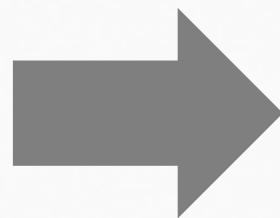
# Intrinsic decomposition



Image



Intrinsic channels



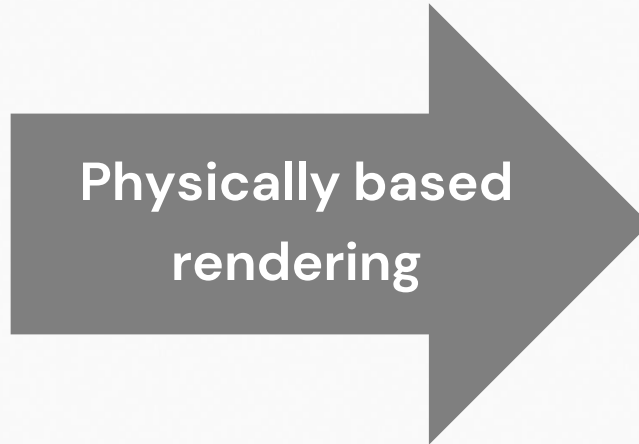
**Synthesized image**



**Physically based  
rendering**



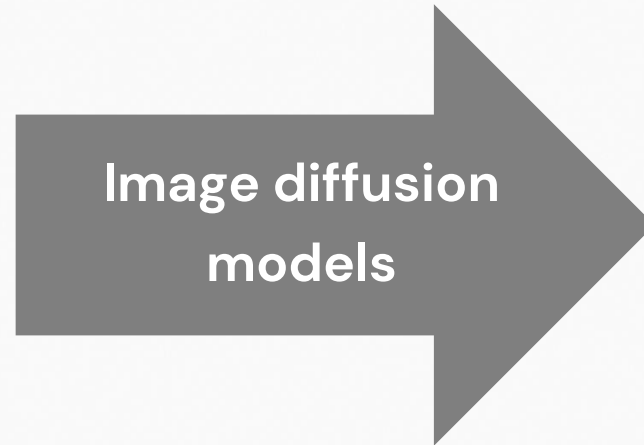
**Scene description**



- Precise and consistent
- Perfect controllability
- **Requires full scene description**



**Realistic image**



*"A modern kitchen"*

Prompt

Image diffusion  
models

- Simple to use
- Hard to precisely control



Image generated by SD v3

A middle ground?



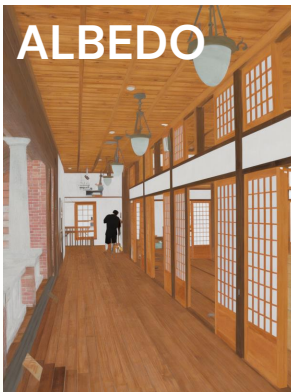
## Physically based rendering

- Precise and consistent
- Easy authoring
- Requires full scene description

## Image diffusion models

- Simple to use
- Hard to precisely control

Properties



Intrinsic channels



Synthesized image



# Summarize the motivation

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Intrinsic channels

Synthesized image

# Summarize the motivation

RGB → X → RGB

Image

Intrinsic channels

Do some editing

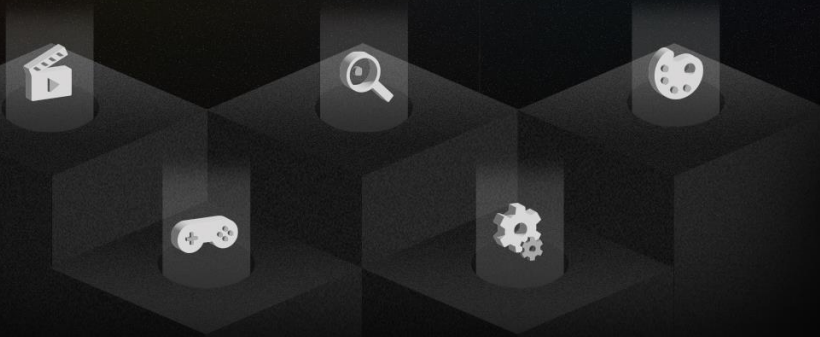
Synthesized image

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# Method





Image

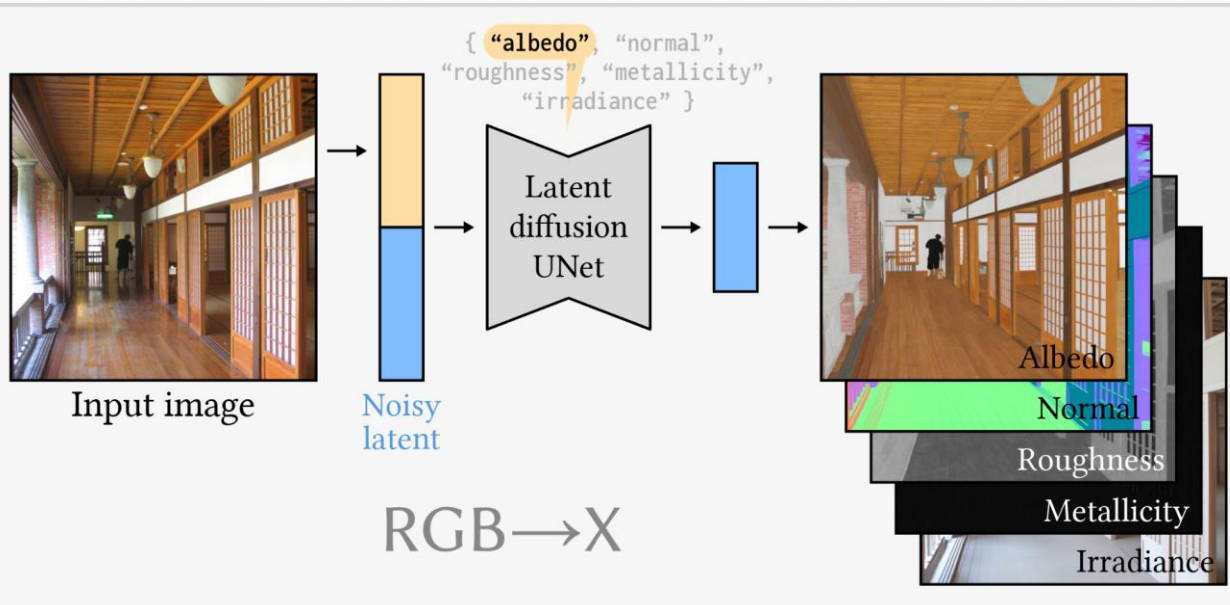
RGB



X



Intrinsic channels



## Finetune Stable Diffusion on synthetic data

- Conditioned on image RGB
- Produce intrinsic channels X

## Re-purpose "prompt" as a "switch"

- Example: given "albedo", it produces albedo
- Benefits:
  - Avoid finetuning multiple outputs – it's harder
  - Enable usage of datasets with different available channels
- More details in paper

# Heterogeneous synthetic training data

✓: available. ✓: available but not reliable. X: not available.

Dataset	Size	Albedo	Normal	Roughness	Metallic	Irrad.
INTERIORVERSE	50,097	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
HYPERSIM	73,819	✓	✓	X	X	✓
EVERMOTION	17,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
IMAGEDECOMP	50,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



INTERIORVERSE



HYPERSIM



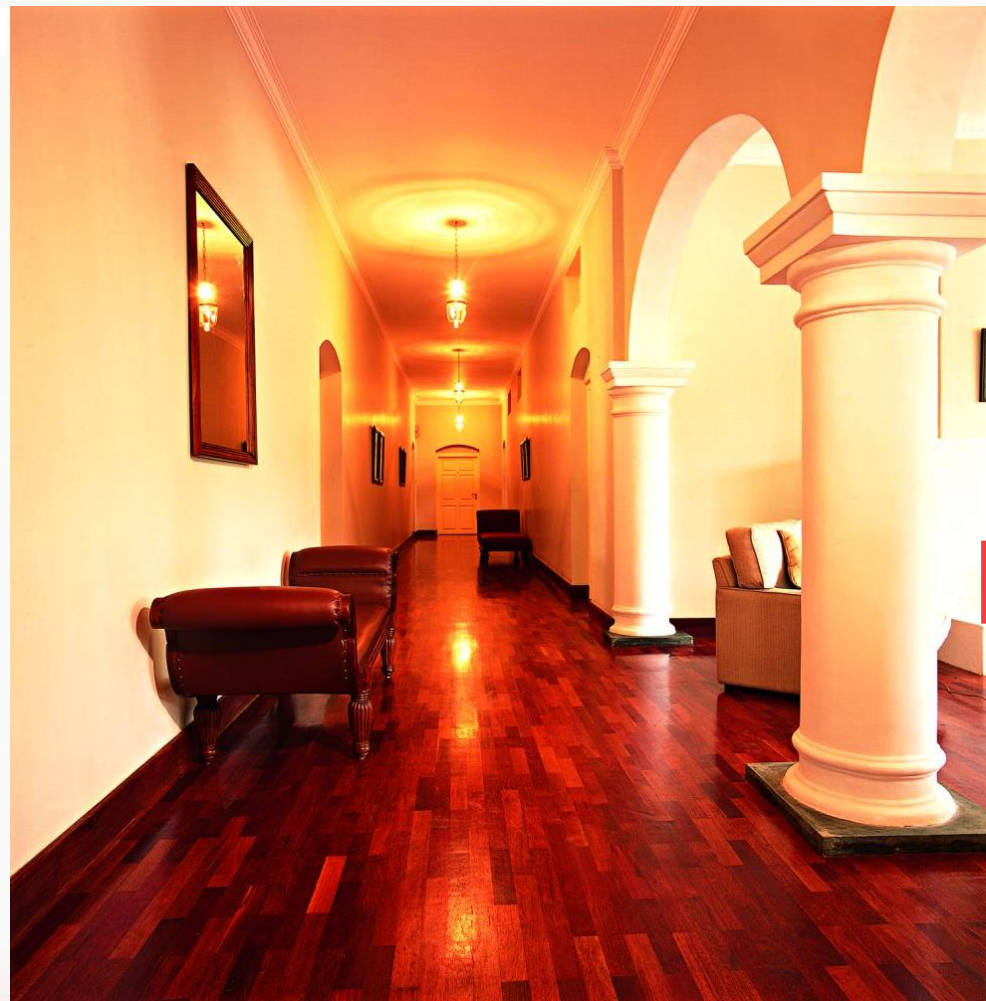
EVERMOTION



IMAGEDECOMP



# RGB→X results



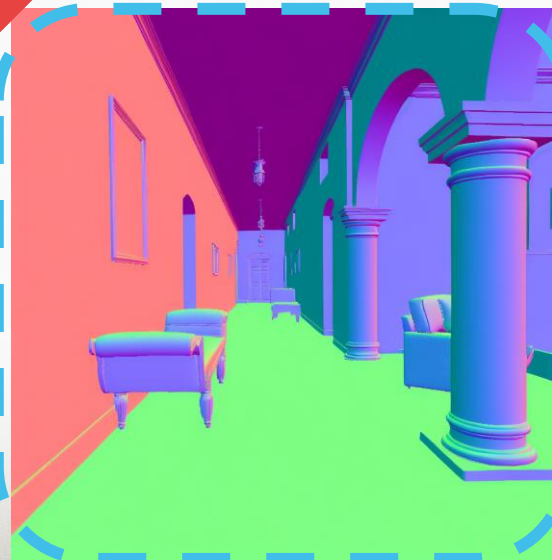
Input (real photo)



Albedo



Irradiance



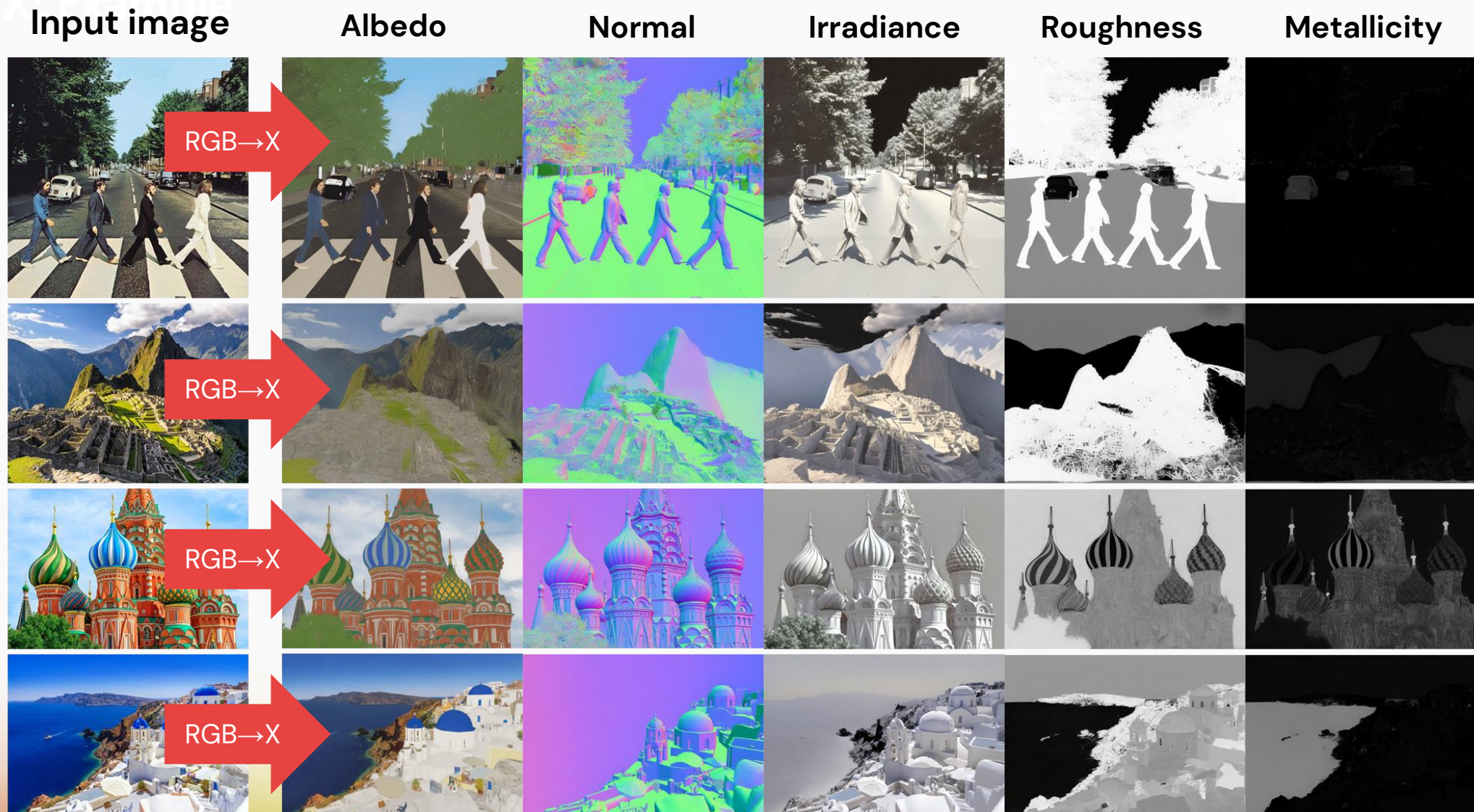
Normal



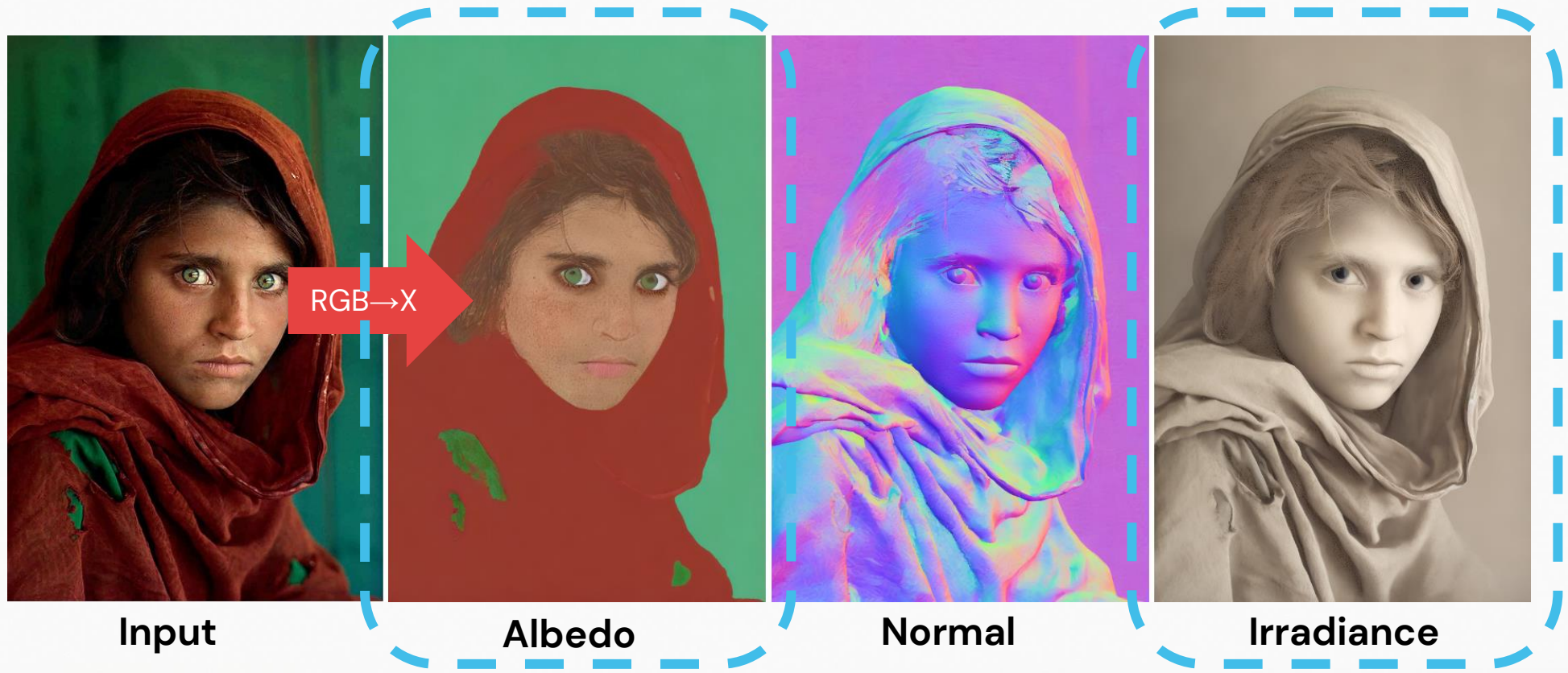
Roughness

# RGB→X results (works, despite no outdoor training data)

RGB→X Example



# RGB→X results (works, despite no human face training data)



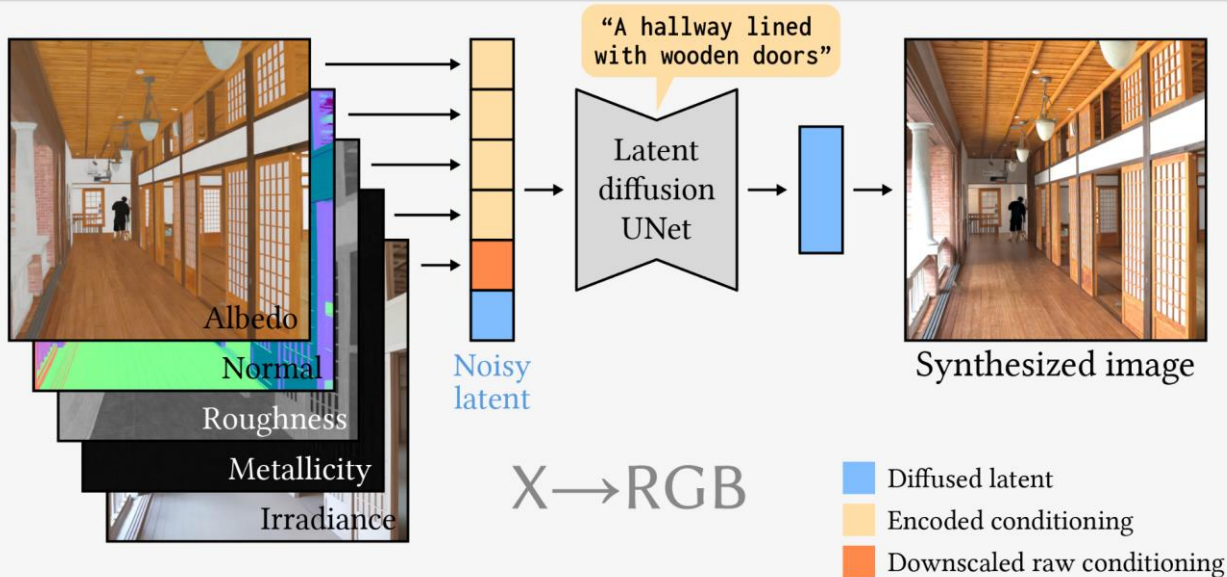


Intrinsic channels

**X** → **RGB**



Synthesized image



## Finetune Stable Diffusion on synthetic data

- Conditioned on intrinsic channels X
- Produce image RGB

## Intrinsic channel dropout strategy

- Randomly drop condition channels during training
- Benefits: this lets us
  - handle heterogeneous datasets during training
  - choose which inputs to provide at inference

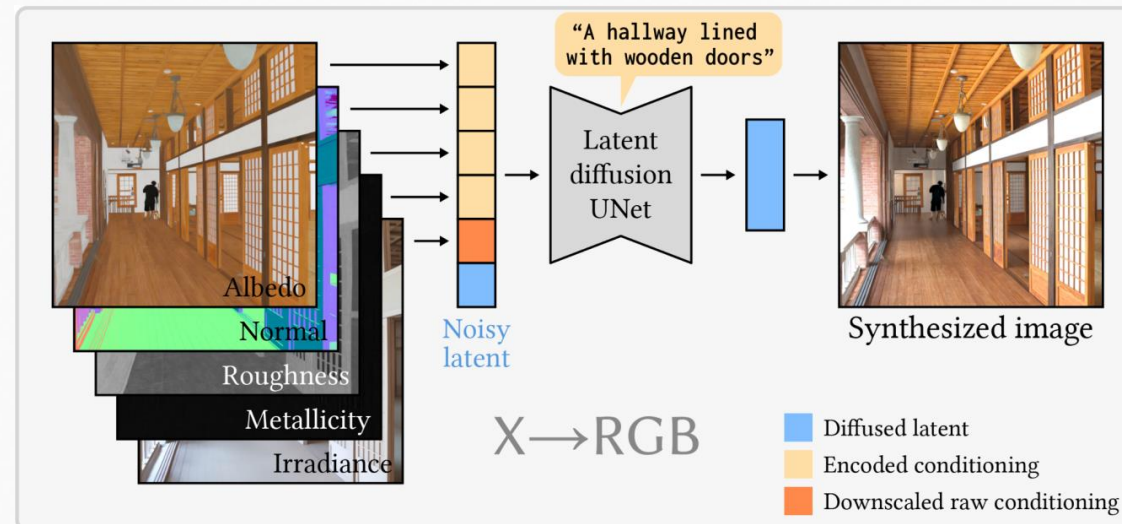
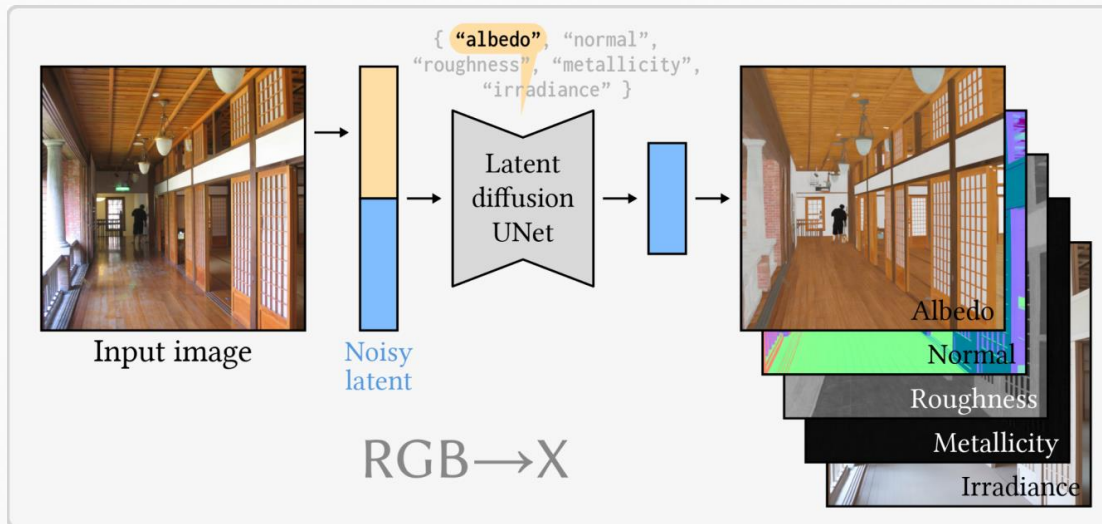
# X→RGB results (comparison to classical rendering)



# X → RGB results (material / lighting control by text prompts)

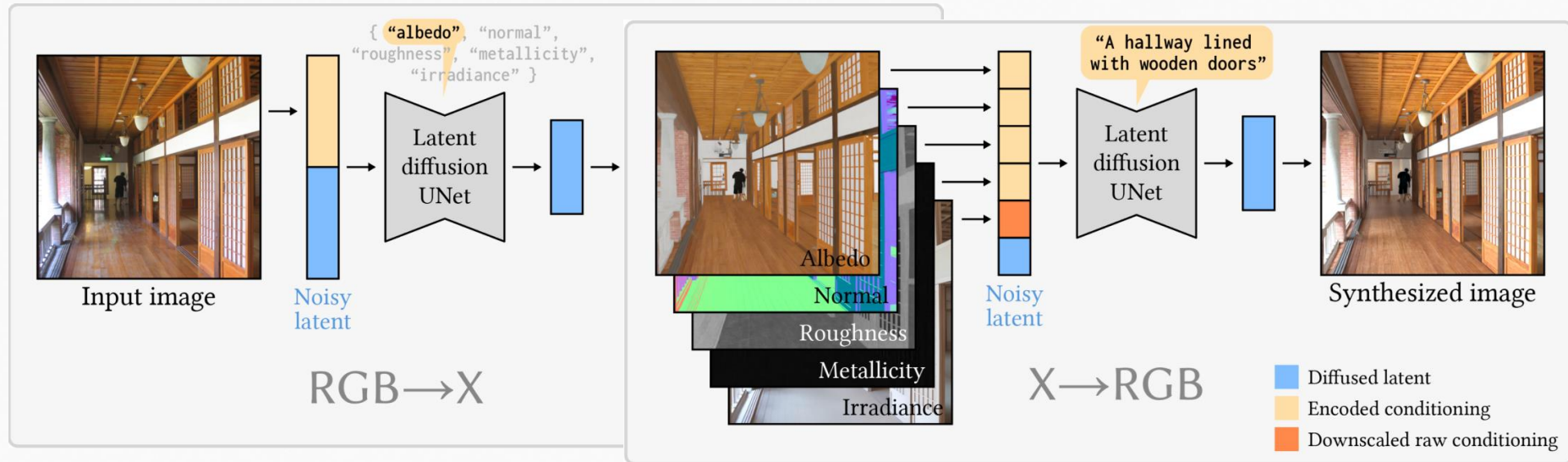


# Having RGB→X and X→RGB?





# RGB→X→RGB



RGB → X → RGB



Image



Intrinsic channels

Do some editing



Synthesized image

# RGB→X→RGB results



Input



RGB→X



Albedo

Normal

Roughness

Metallicity

Irradiance



X→RGB



Our X→RGB

Our intrinsic channels X

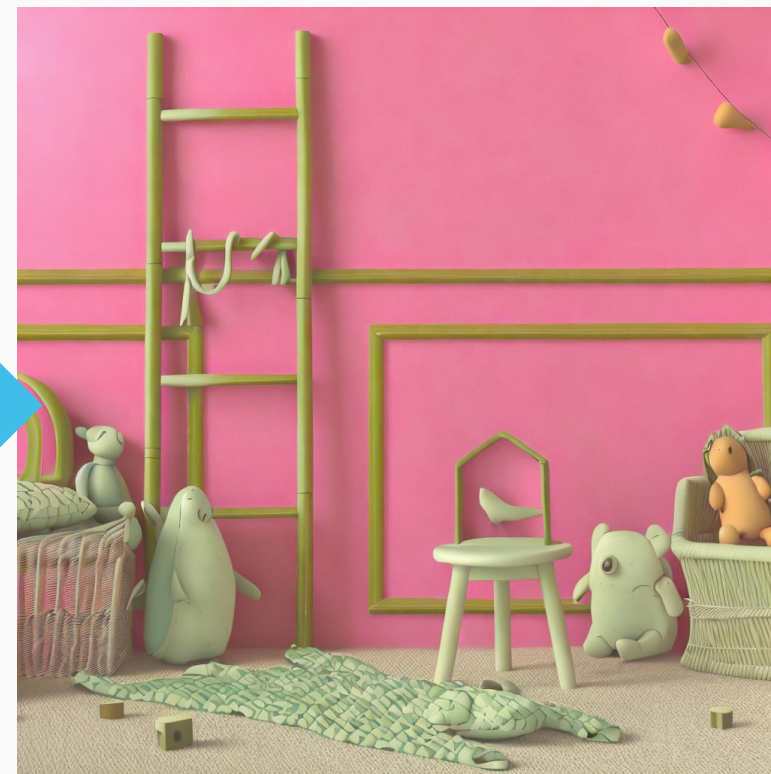
# RGB→X→RGB results



Input



Our intrinsic channels X



Our X→RGB (drop albedo)

# RGB→X→RGB results



Input



RGB→X



Albedo

Normal

Roughness

Metallicity

Irradiance

Our intrinsic channels X

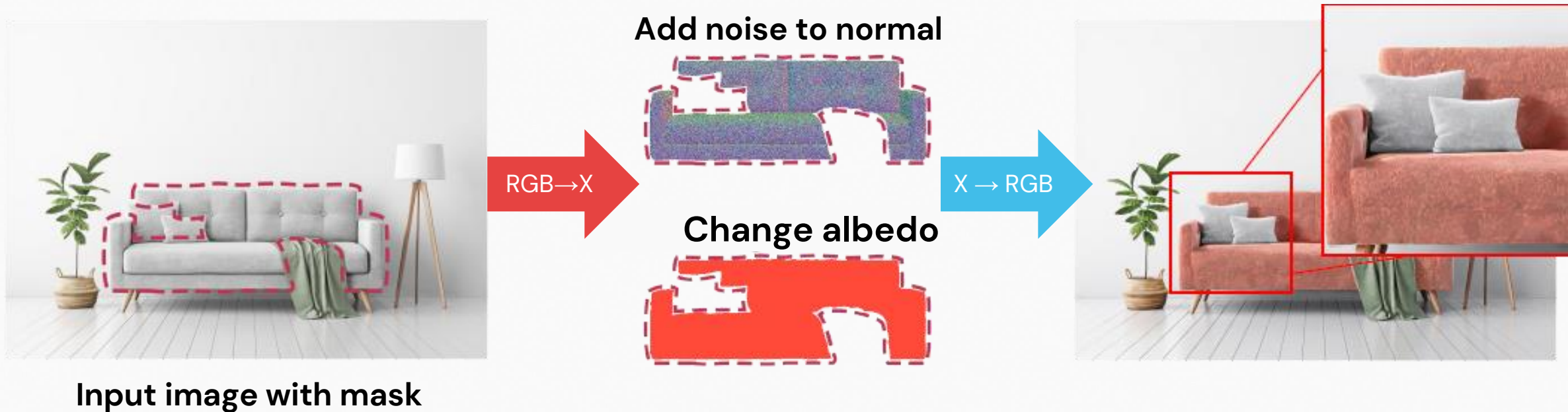


X→RGB

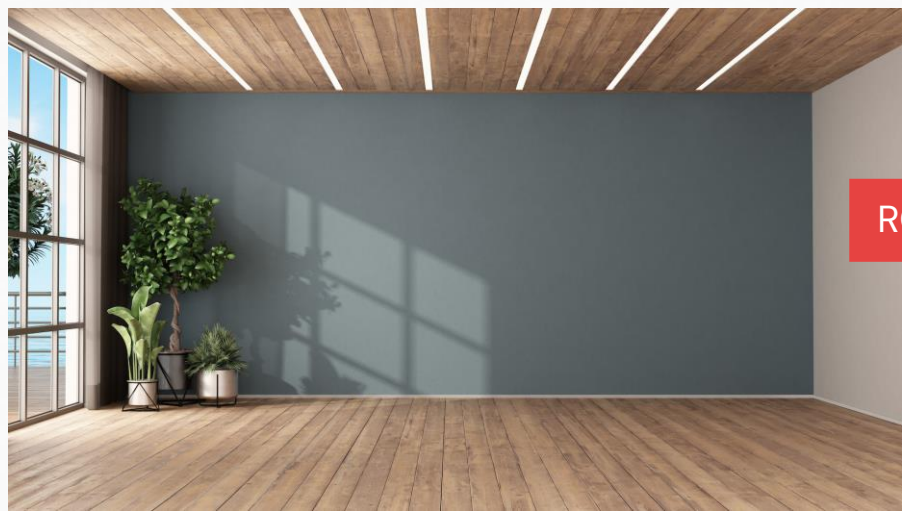


Our X→RGB (drop irradiance)

# RGB→X→RGB application: material editing



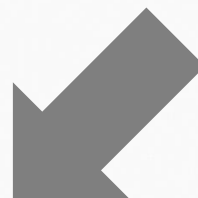
# RGB→X→RGB application: synthetic object insertion



Input photo



Intrinsic channels from RGB→X



Edited intrinsic channels with synthetic object

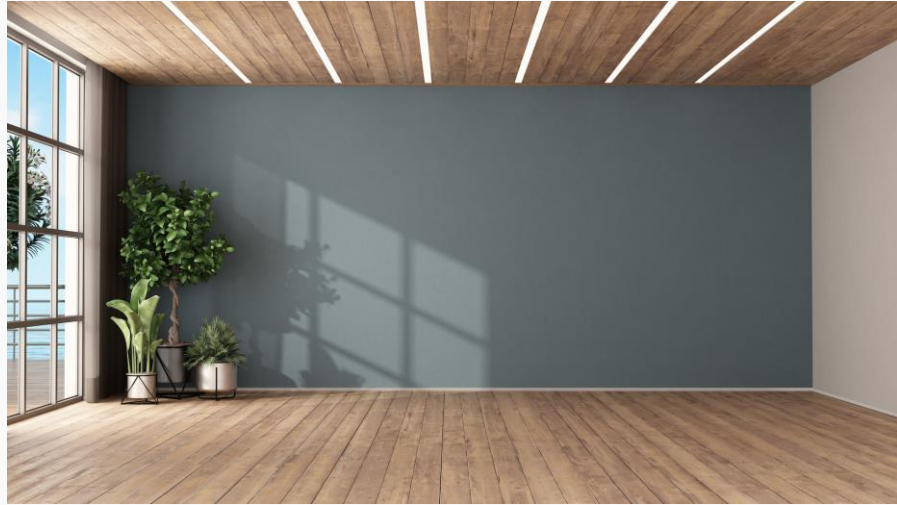


Result image

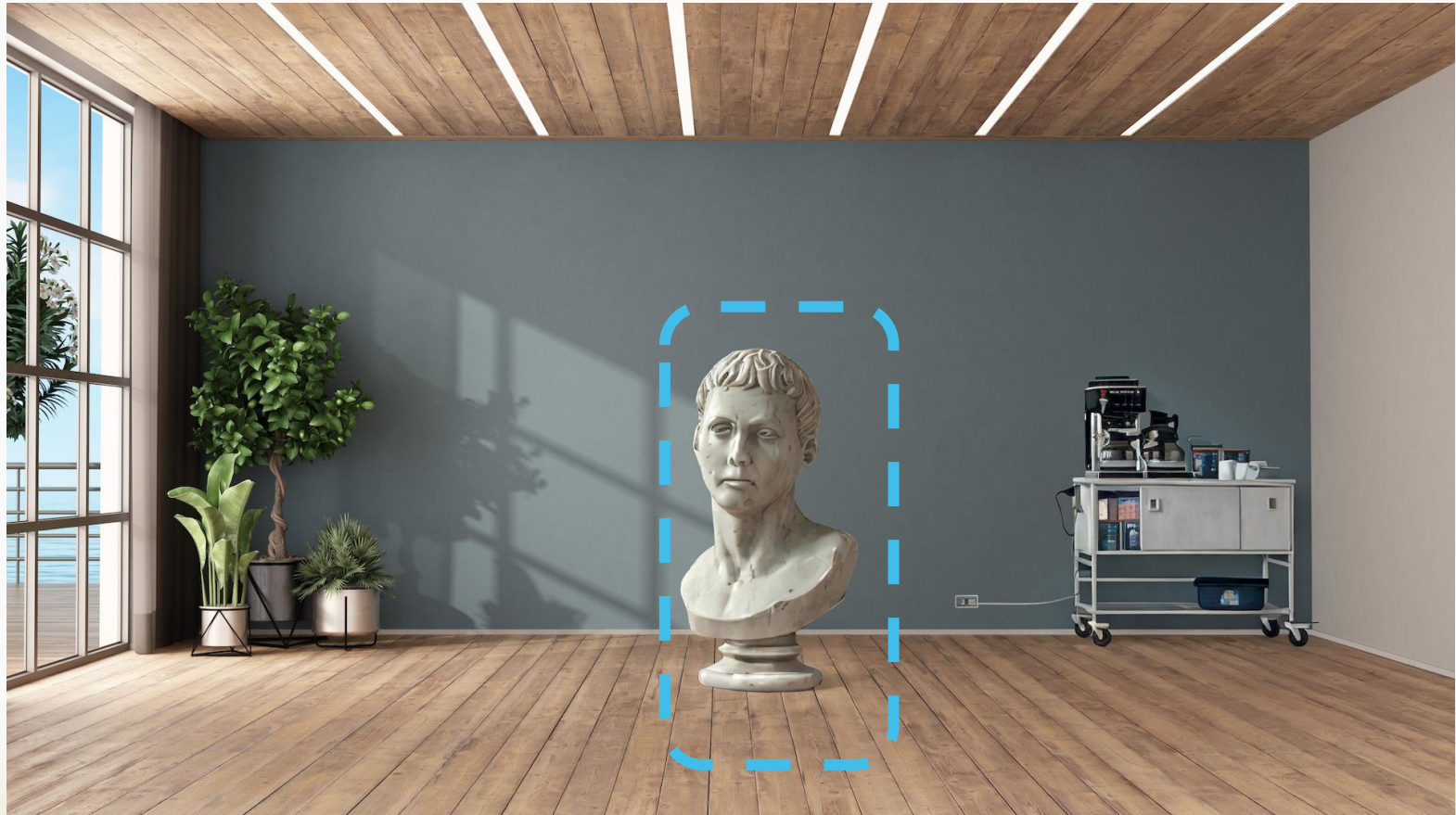


Masks

# RGB→X→RGB application: synthetic object insertion



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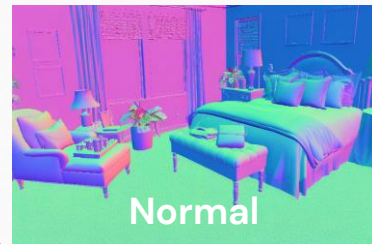
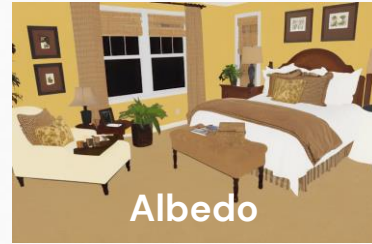
Result image



# RGB→X→RGB application: relighting



Input photo



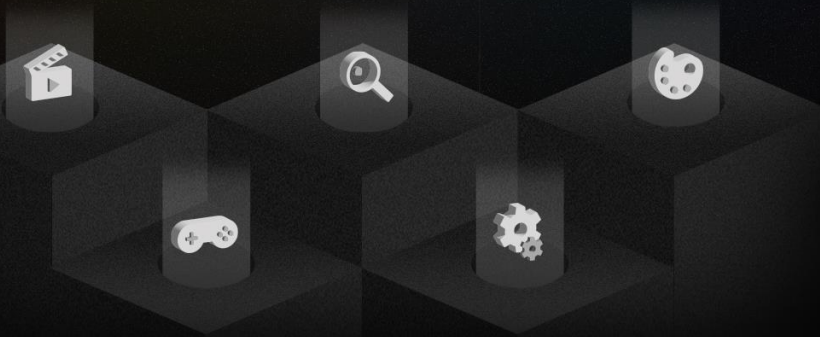
Relit

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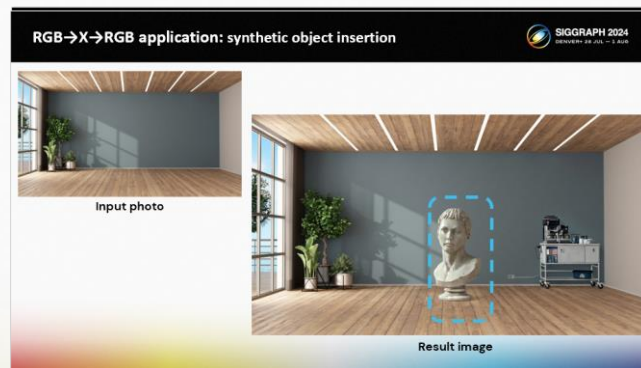
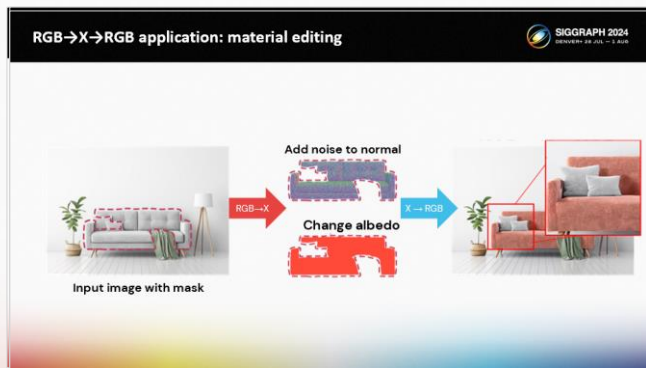


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# Summary



- A unified diffusion framework for
  - intrinsic channel estimation from images (termed  $RGB \rightarrow X$ ) and
  - synthesizing realistic images from such channels ( $X \rightarrow RGB$ )
- $RGB \rightarrow X \rightarrow RGB$  enables
  - Material editing, object insertion, relighting



Project page here

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Thank you!