



Collaborative Diffusion and Human-Machine Collaborative AIGC

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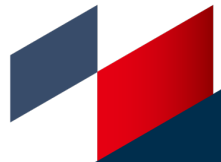
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Overview

- Background: Generative AI, Diffusion Models
- Collaborative Diffusion for Multi-Modal Face Generation and Editing (CVPR 2023)
- Recent Works



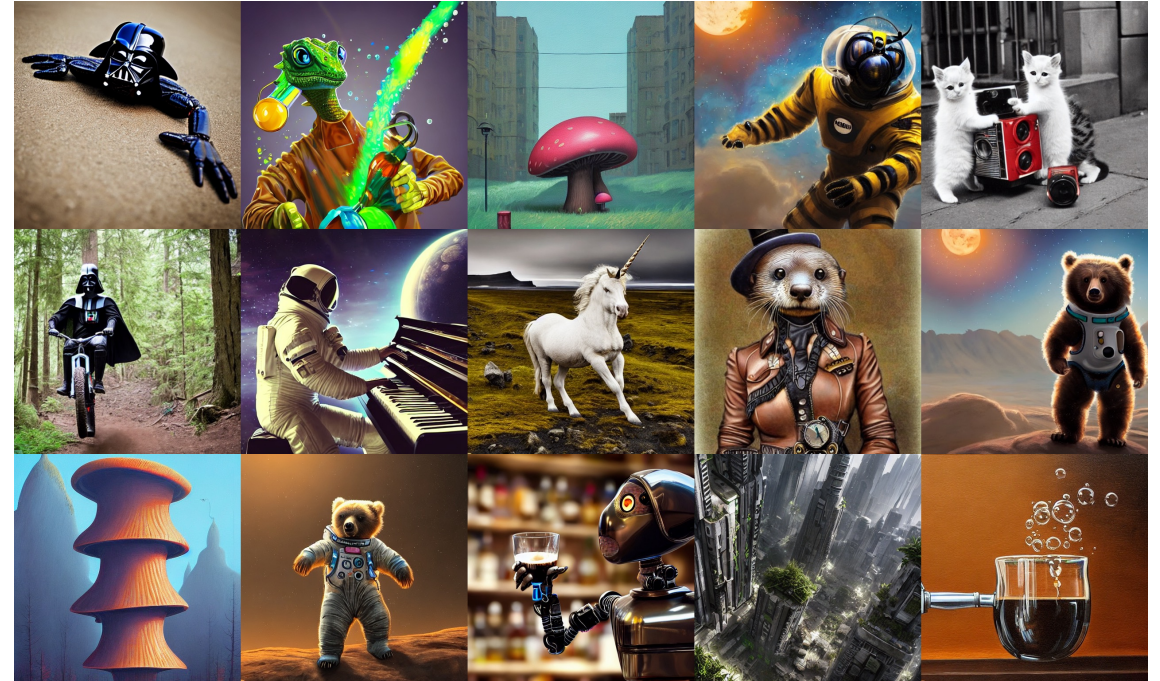
Generative AI



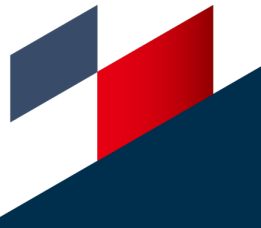
GAN (2014)



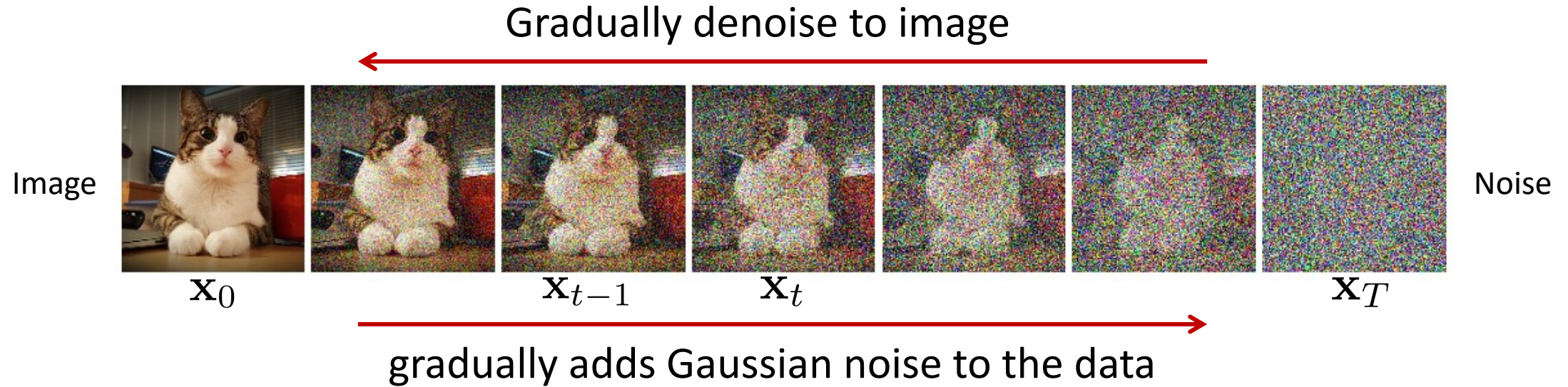
StyleGAN2 (2020)



Stable Diffusion (2022)



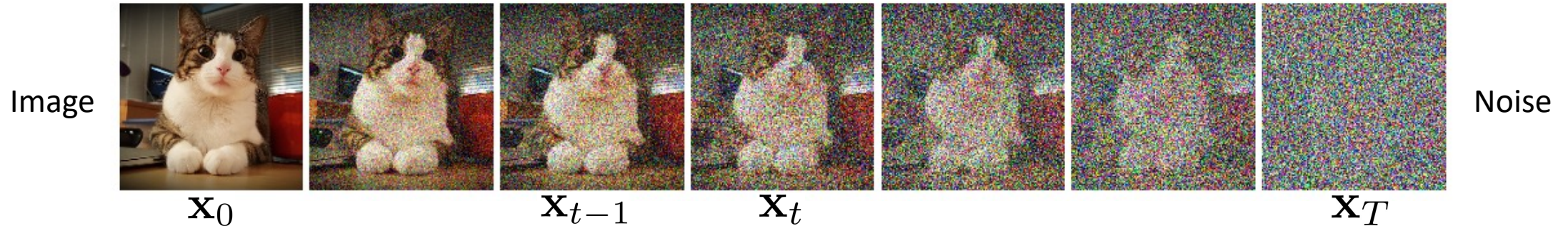
Diffusion Models



- Deep Unsupervised Learning using Nonequilibrium Thermodynamics (ICML 2015)
- Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models (NeurIPS 2020)
- Score-based generative modeling through stochastic differential equations (ICLR 2021)
- Diffusion Models Beat GANs on Image Synthesis (NeurIPS 2021)



Forward Process / Diffusion Process



gradually adds Gaussian noise to the data

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) := \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}),$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) := \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t\mathbf{I}).$$

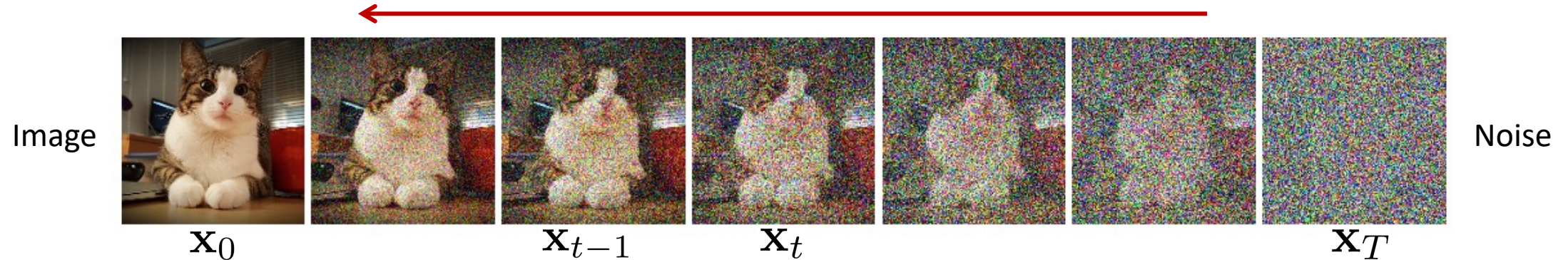
Direct sampling: $q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)\mathbf{I})$ $\bar{\alpha}_t := \prod_{s=1}^t \alpha_s$ and $\alpha_t := 1 - \beta_t$

$$\mathbf{x}_t(\mathbf{x}_0, \epsilon) = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\epsilon \text{ for } \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$



Reverse Process (Generation)

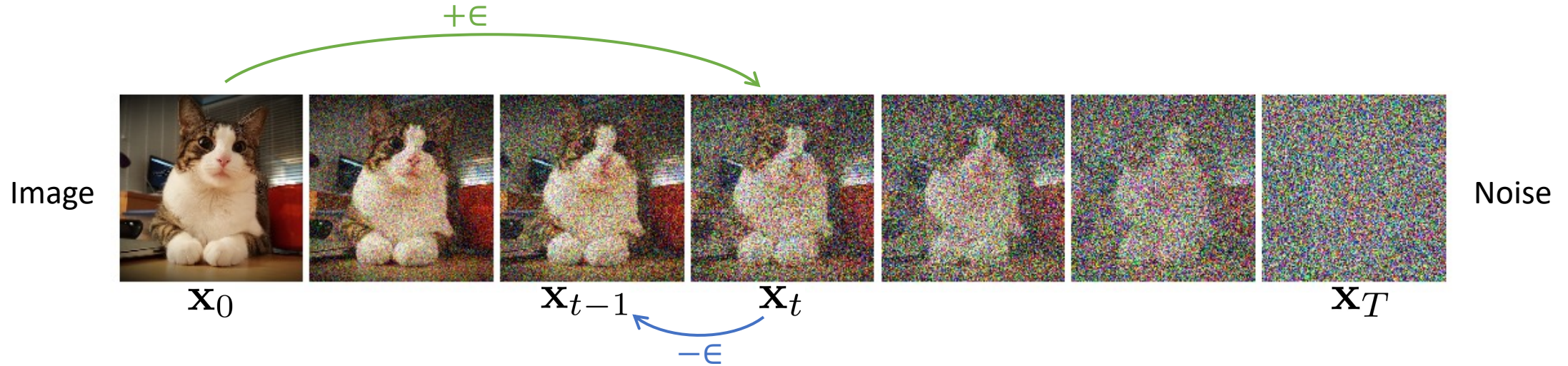
Gradually denoise to image



$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) := p(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^T p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t),$$

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t) := \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

Training & Sampling



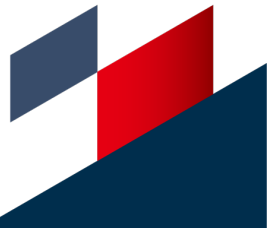
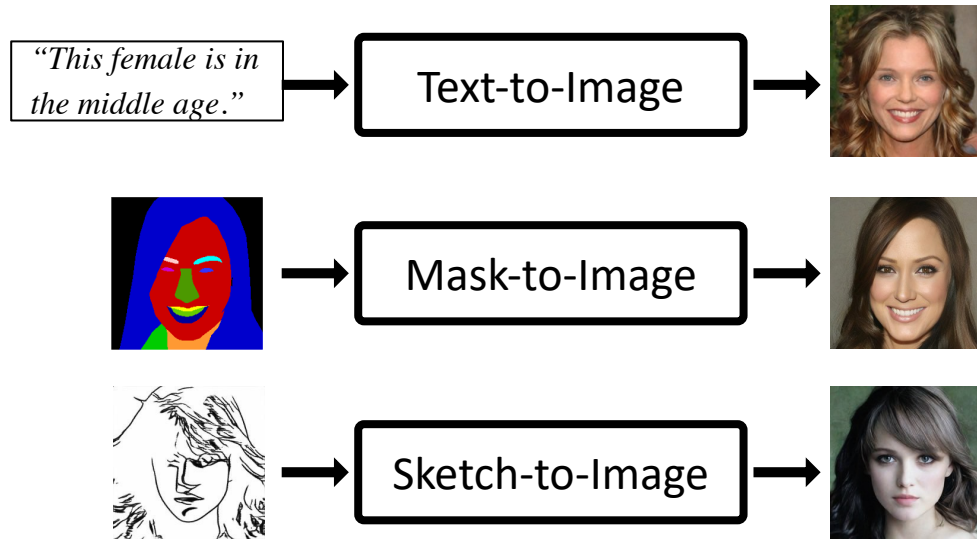
Algorithm 1 Training

- 1: **repeat**
 - 2: $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
 - 3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
 - 4: $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 5: Take gradient descent step on
$$\nabla_{\theta} \left\| \epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta} \left(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \epsilon, t \right) \right\|^2$$
 - 6: **until** converged
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Algorithm 2 Sampling

- 1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 2: **for** $t = T, \dots, 1$ **do**
 - 3: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ if $t > 1$, else $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$
 - 4: $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
 - 5: **end for**
 - 6: **return** \mathbf{x}_0
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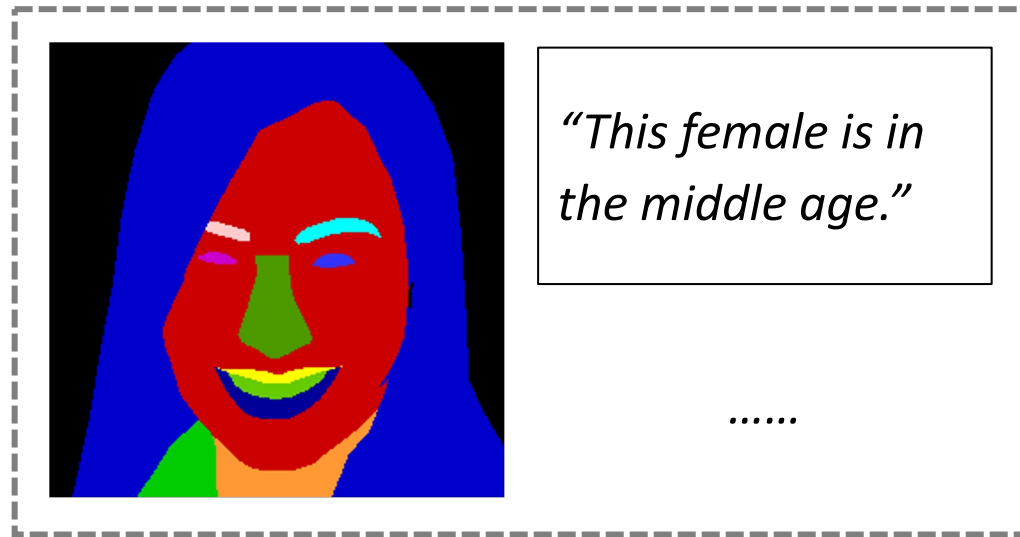
Uni-Modal Diffusion Models



Task Highlight

(A) Multi-Modal Face Generation

given multi-modal controls



synthesize high-quality image consistent with the controls



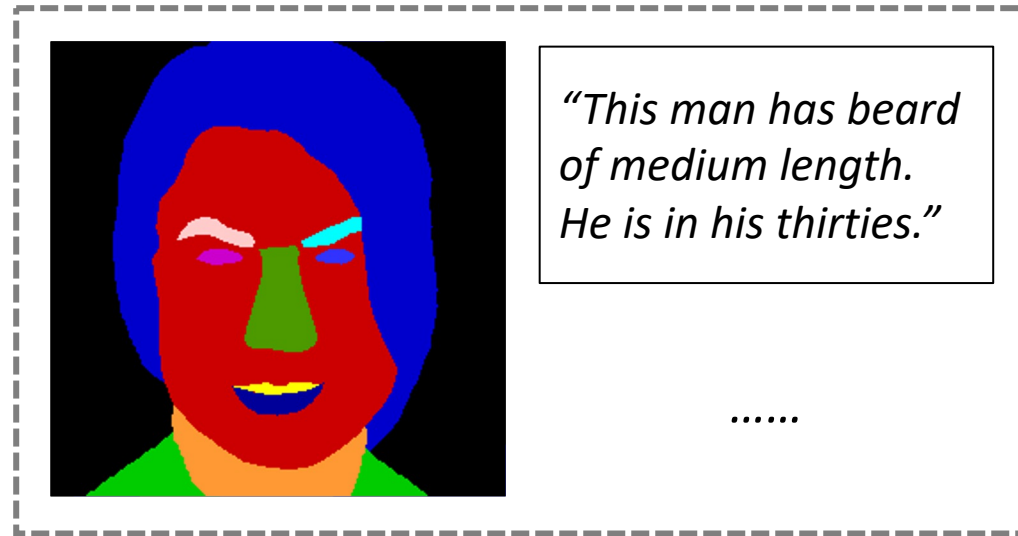
Task Highlight

(B) Multi-Modal Face Editing

given input image



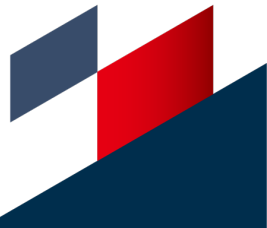
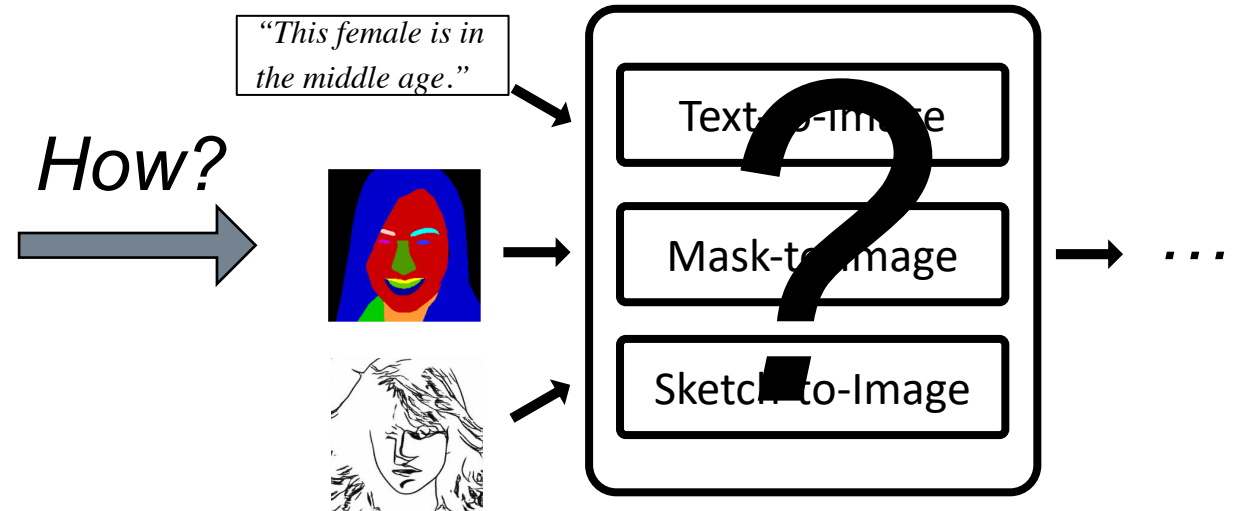
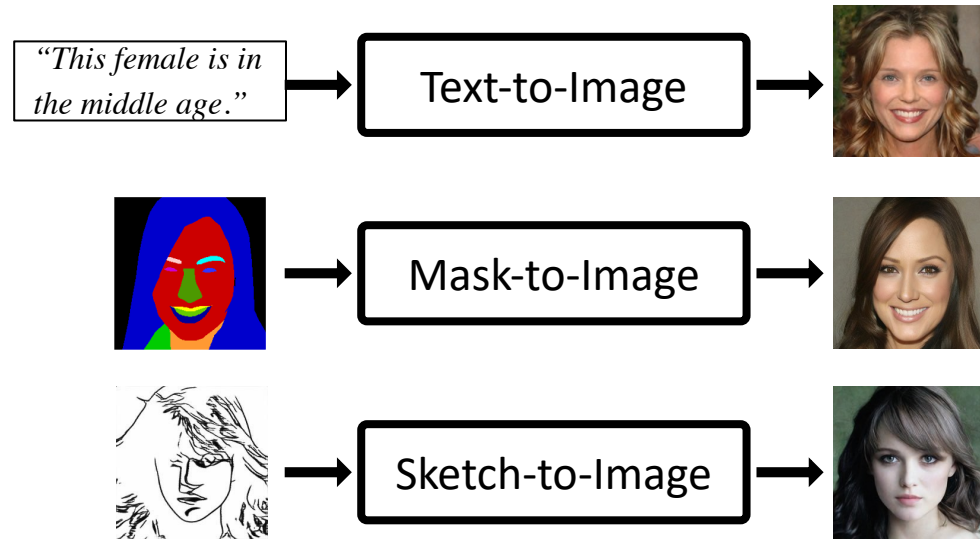
and target multi-modal conditions



*edit the image
to 1) satisfy the target conditions
while 2) preserving the facial identity*



Multi-Modal Control





Collaborative Diffusion for Multi-Modal Face Generation and Editing



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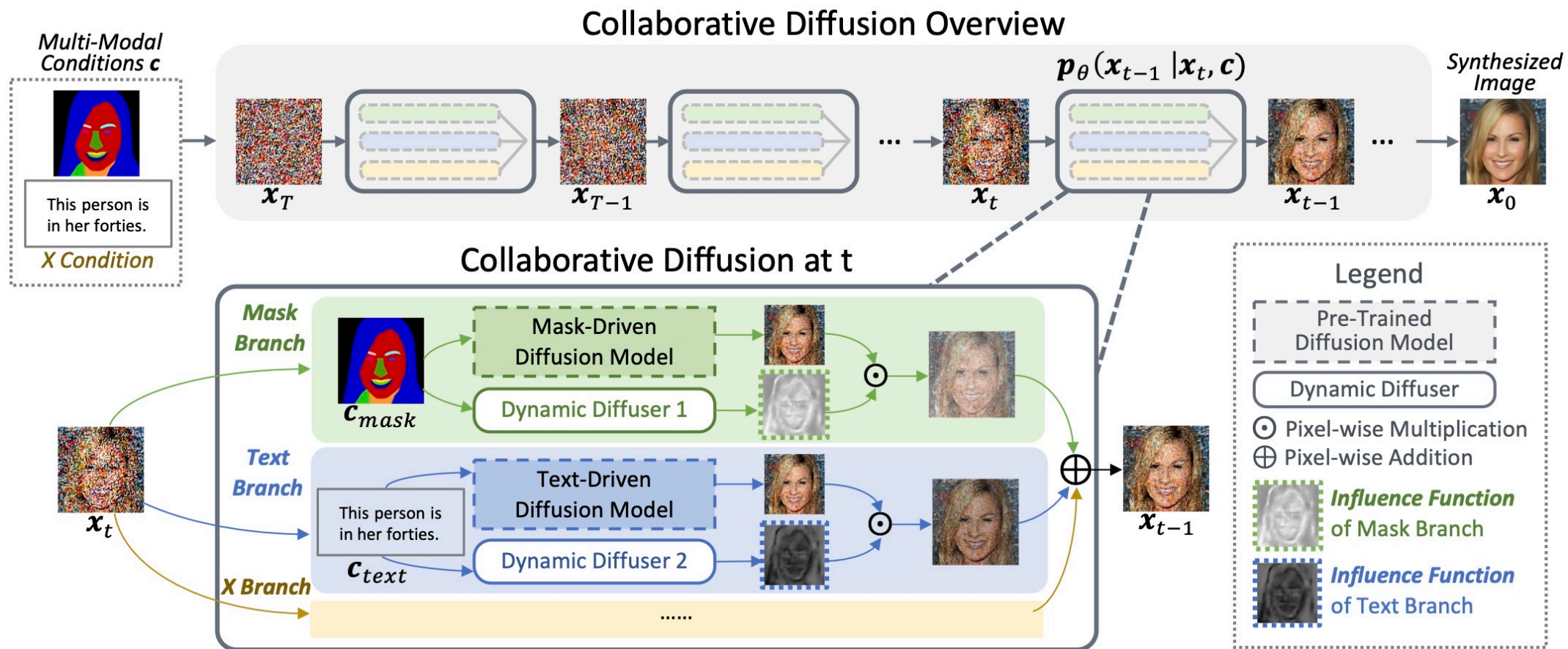
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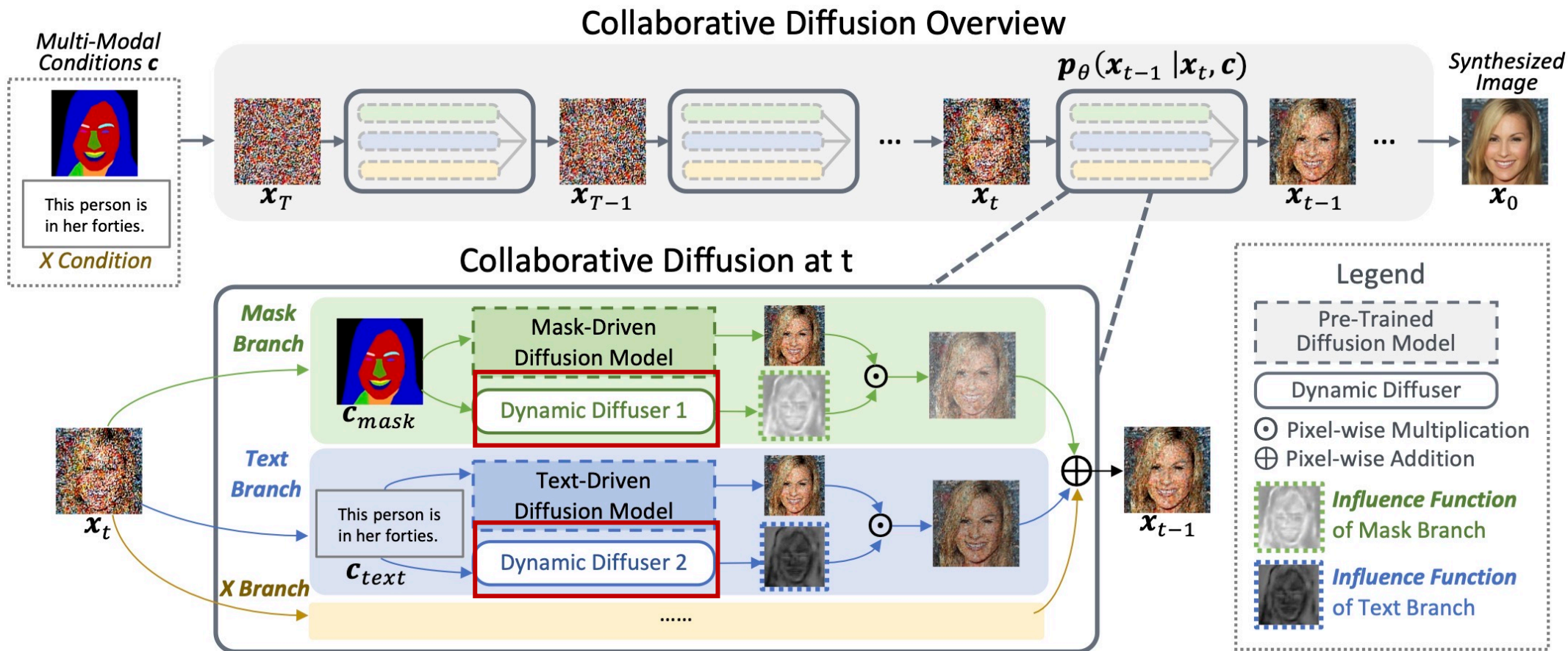
Collaborative Diffusion Framework



The framework consists of two components:

- **Collaborators:** pre-trained diffusion models (e.g. mask-driven, text-driven)
- **Dynamic Diffusers:** facilitate collaboration among different collaborators

Dynamic Diffuser

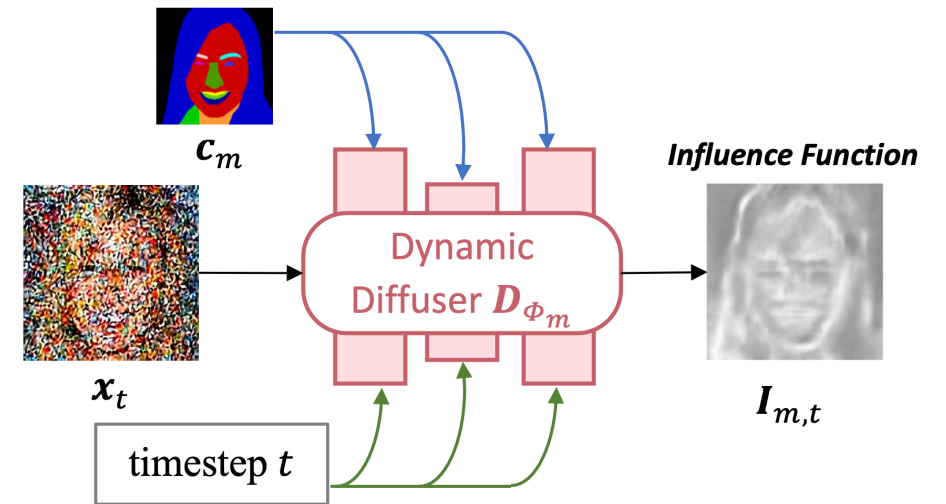


Dynamic Diffuser

- *Dynamic Diffuser* predicts *Influence Functions* to determine when, where, and how much each collaborator contributes

$$\mathbf{I}_{m,t} = \mathbf{D}_{\phi_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, \mathbf{c}_m)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t,p} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{I}_{m,t,p})}{\sum_{j=1}^M \exp(\mathbf{I}_{j,t,p})}$$



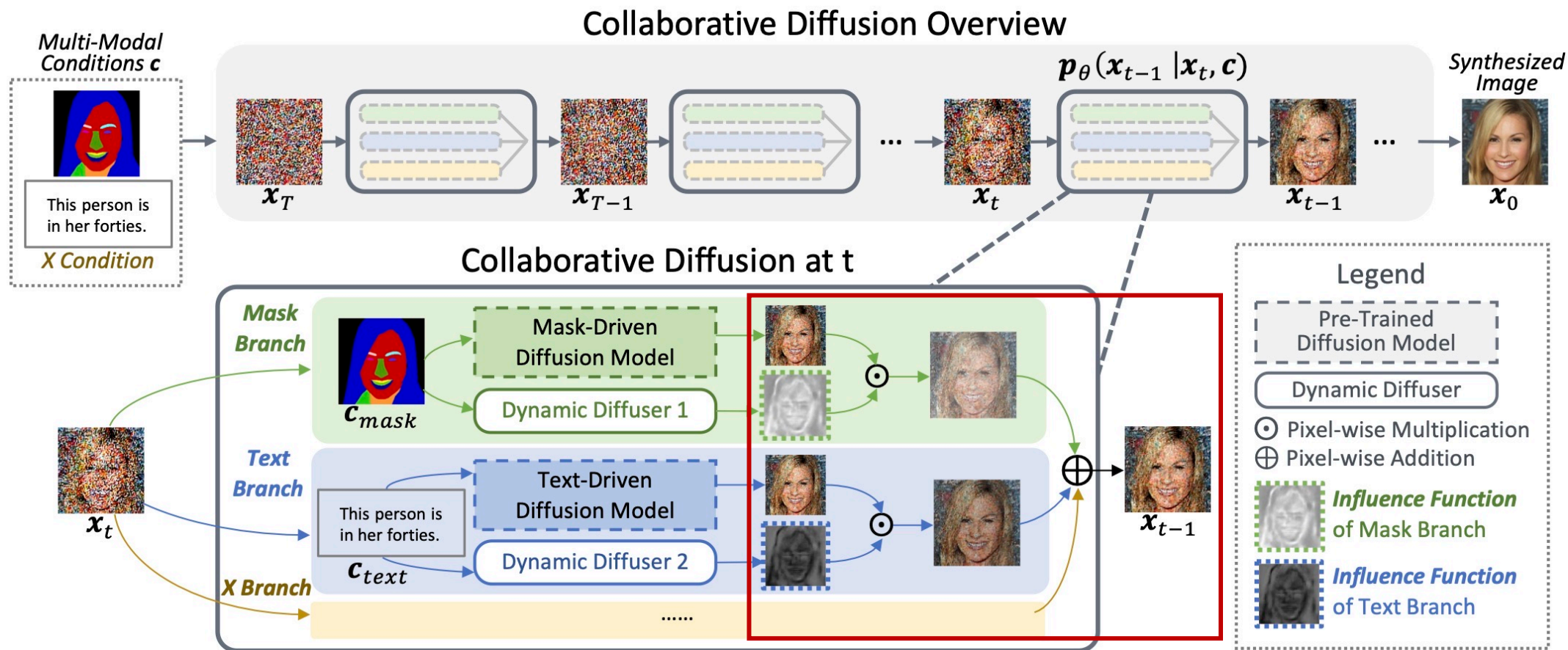
Dynamic Diffusers

- Dynamic Diffusers are lightweight.
- A dynamic diffuser is much smaller than a uni-modal conditional diffusion model.

| Model Name | Number of Parameters |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Mask-Driven Pre-trained Diffusion Model | 403.6M |
| Text-Driven Pre-trained Diffusion Model | 403.6M |
| Dynamic Diffuser for Mask Branch | 13.1M |
| Dynamic Diffuser for Text Branch | 13.1M |



Multi-Modal Collaboration



Multi-Modal Collaboration

- *Influence Functions* selectively enhance or suppress the contributions of the given modalities at each iterative step

$$\epsilon_{pred,t} = \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t} \odot \epsilon_{\theta_m}(x_t, t, c_m)$$

Algorithm: Training & Sampling

Algorithm 1 Dynamic Diffuser Training

- 1: **repeat**
 - 2: $\mathbf{x}_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_M \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_M)$
 - 3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
 - 4: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 5: **for** $m = 1, \dots, M$ **do** Pre-Trained Uni-Modal DM
 - 6: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,m,t} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta_m}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t, c_m)$
 - 7: $\mathbf{I}_{m,t} = \mathbf{D}_{\phi_m}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t, c_m)$
 - 8: **end for**
 - 9: $\hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t,p} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{I}_{m,t,p})}{\sum_{j=1}^M \exp(\mathbf{I}_{j,t,p})}$, softmax at each pixel p
 - 10: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,t} = \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t} \odot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,m,t}$ Multi-Modal Collaboration
 - 11: Take gradient descent step on $\nabla_{\phi} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,t}\|^2$ where $\phi = \{\phi_m | m = 1, \dots, M\}$
 - 12: **until** converged
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Algorithm 2 Collaborative Sampling

- 1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 2: **for** $t = T, \dots, 1$ **do**
 - 3: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ if $t > 1$, else $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$
 - 4: **for** $m = 1, \dots, M$ **do**
 - 5: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,m,t} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_m)$
 - 6: $\mathbf{I}_{m,t} = \mathbf{D}_{\phi_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_m)$ Dynamic Diffusers predict Influence Functions
 - 7: **end for**
 - 8: $\hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t,p} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{I}_{m,t,p})}{\sum_{j=1}^M \exp(\mathbf{I}_{j,t,p})}$, softmax at each pixel p
 - 9: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,t} = \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t} \odot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,m,t}$
 - 10: $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1-\alpha_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{pred,t} \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
 - 11: **end for**
 - 12: **return** \mathbf{x}_0
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Algorithm: Editing

Algorithm 3 Collaborative Editing

Require:

input image \mathbf{x}_{input} , target conditions $c_{m,target}$,
diffusion models ϵ_{θ_m} , dynamic diffusers \mathbf{D}_{ϕ_m} , ($m = 1, \dots, M$),
interpolation scale α

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1: for  $m = 1, \dots, M$  do ▷ Uni-Modal Editing
2:    $c_m = c_{m,target}$ 
3:    $\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_{input} + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \epsilon$ 
4:    $c_{m,opt} = \operatorname{argmin}_{c_m} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon,t} \|\epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_m)\|^2$ 
5:    $\theta_{m,opt} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta_m} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon,t} \|\epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_{m,opt})\|^2$ 
6:    $c_{m,int} = \alpha \cdot c_{m,target} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot c_{m,opt}$ 
7: end for

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8:  $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$  ▷ Collaborate the Uni-Modal Edits
9: for  $t = T, \dots, 1$  do
10:   $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$  if  $t > 1$ , else  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$ 
11:  for  $m = 0, \dots, M$  do Pre-Trained Uni-Modal DM
12:     $\epsilon_{pred,m,t} = \epsilon_{\theta_{m,opt}}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_{m,int})$ 
13:     $\mathbf{I}_{m,t} = \mathbf{D}_{\phi_m}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, c_{m,int})$  Dynamic Diffusers predict Influence Functions
14:  end for
15:   $\hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t,p} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{I}_{m,t,p})}{\sum_{j=1}^M \exp(\mathbf{I}_{j,t,p})}$ , softmax at each pixel  $p$ 
16:   $\epsilon_{pred,t} = \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\mathbf{I}}_{m,t} \odot \epsilon_{pred,m,t}$  Multi-Modal Collaboration
17:   $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1-\alpha_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_{pred,t} \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$ 
18: end for
19: return  $\mathbf{x}_0$ 

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Imagic

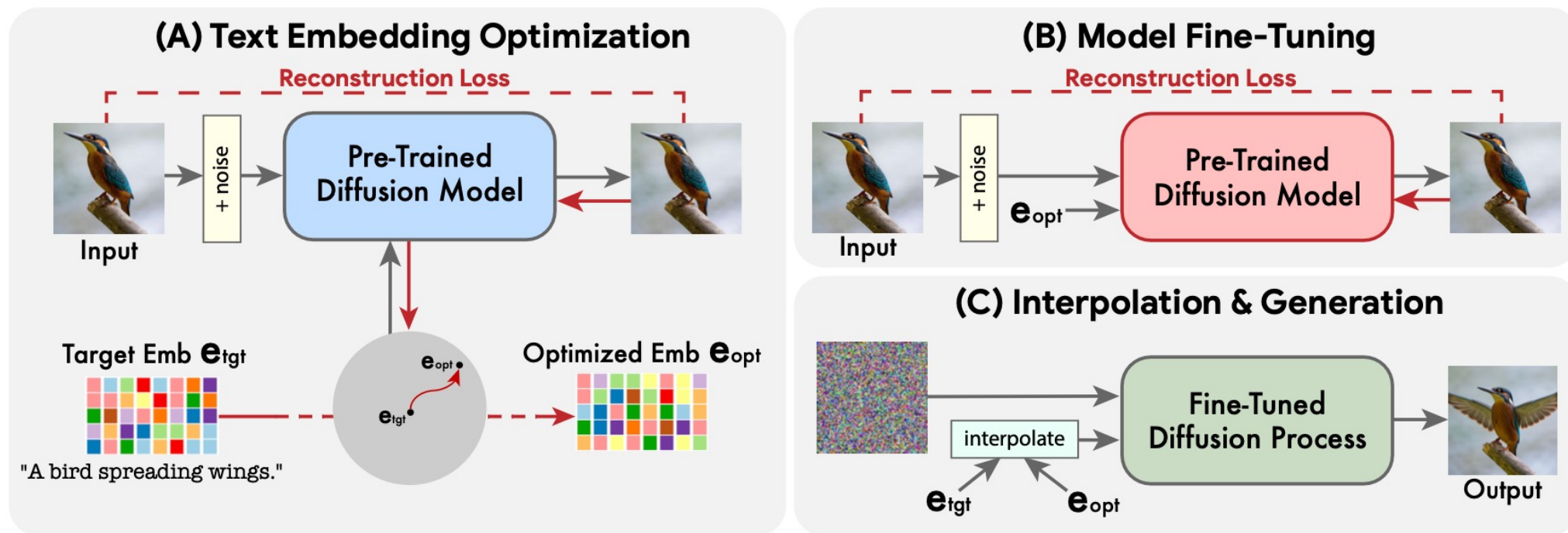
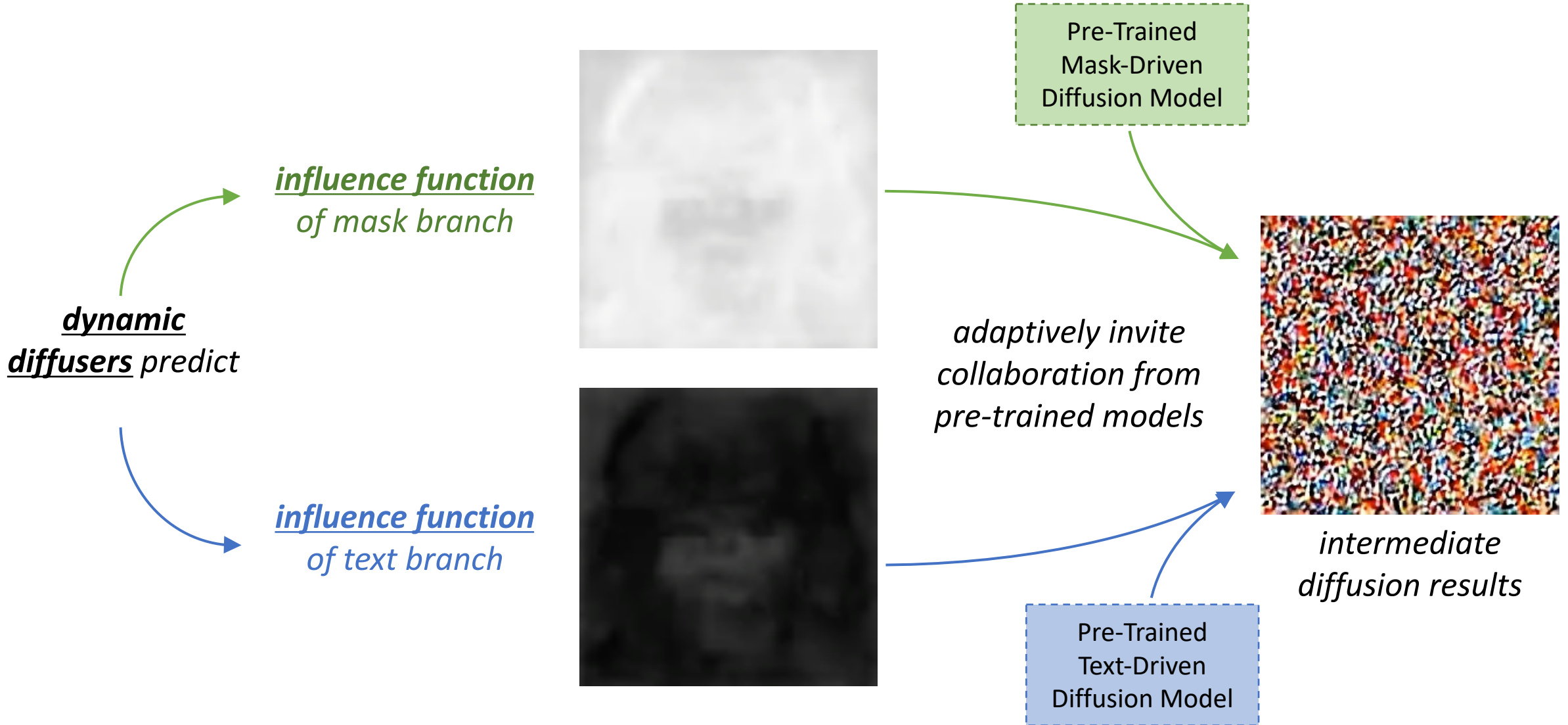


Figure 3. **Schematic description of Imagic.** Given a real image and a target text prompt: (A) We encode the target text and get the initial text embedding e_{tgt} , then optimize it to reconstruct the input image, obtaining e_{opt} ; (B) We then fine-tune the generative model to improve fidelity to the input image while fixing e_{opt} ; (C) Finally, we interpolate e_{opt} with e_{tgt} to generate the final editing result.

Dynamic Diffusers predict Influence Functions



Visual Results

Multi-Modal
Conditions

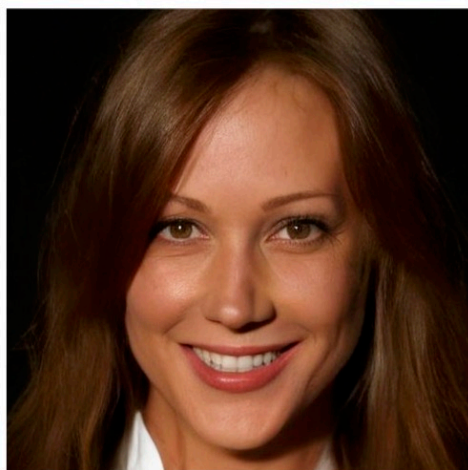
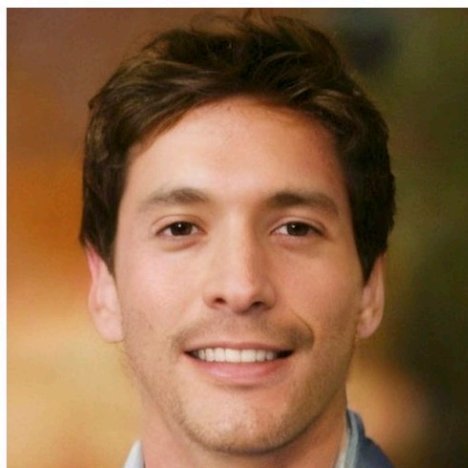


This man has beard of medium length. He is in his thirties.



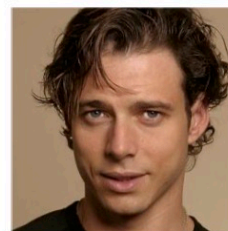
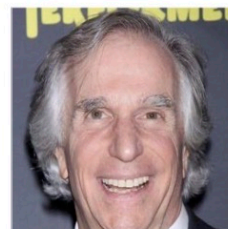
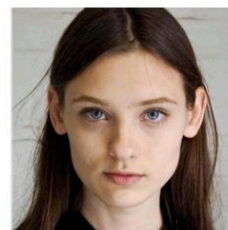
This female is in the middle age.

Generated Image (512×512)

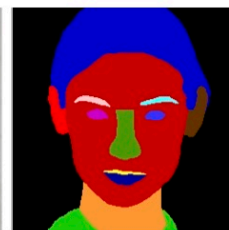


Face Generation

Input Image



Target Mask



Target Text

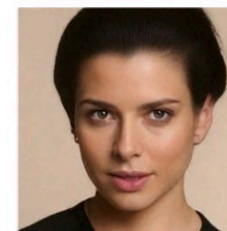
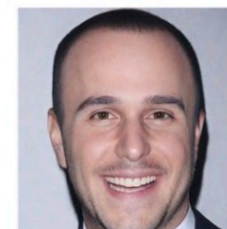
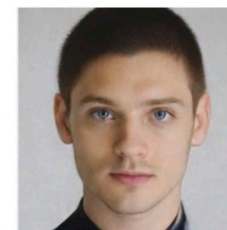
He is a teen. The face is covered with short pointed beard.

This man has beard of medium length. He is in his thirties.

This woman is a teen. There is no beard on her face.

This man has beard of medium length. He is in his thirties.

Edited Image



Face Editing



Mask
Condition

Generated
Images

Text
Condition



*He is a teen. The
face is covered with
short pointed
beard.*



*He looks very old.
He doesn't have
any mustache at
all.*



She is a teenager.



*This female is in
the middle age.*



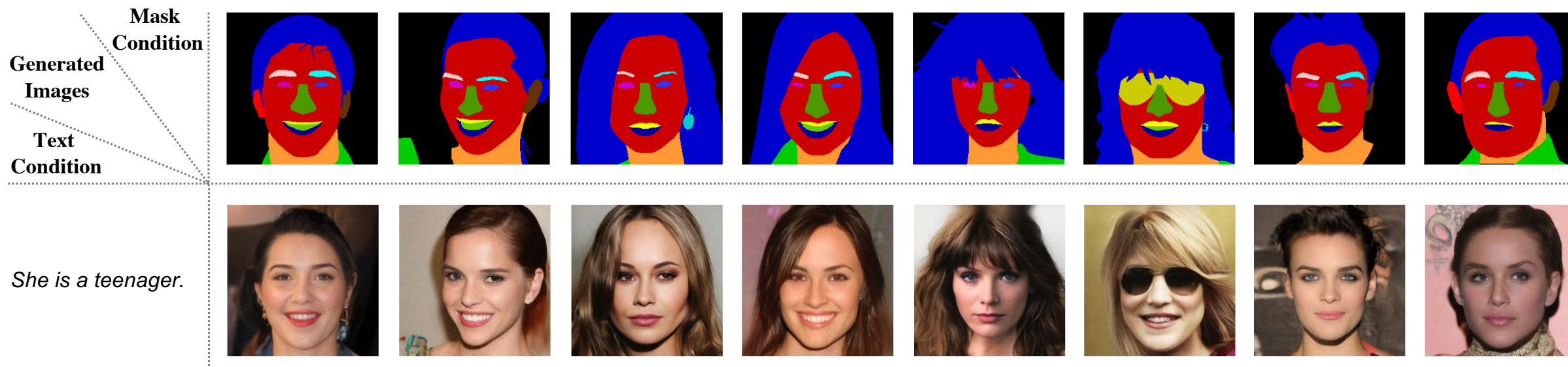
*This man has
beard of medium
length. He is in his
thirties.*



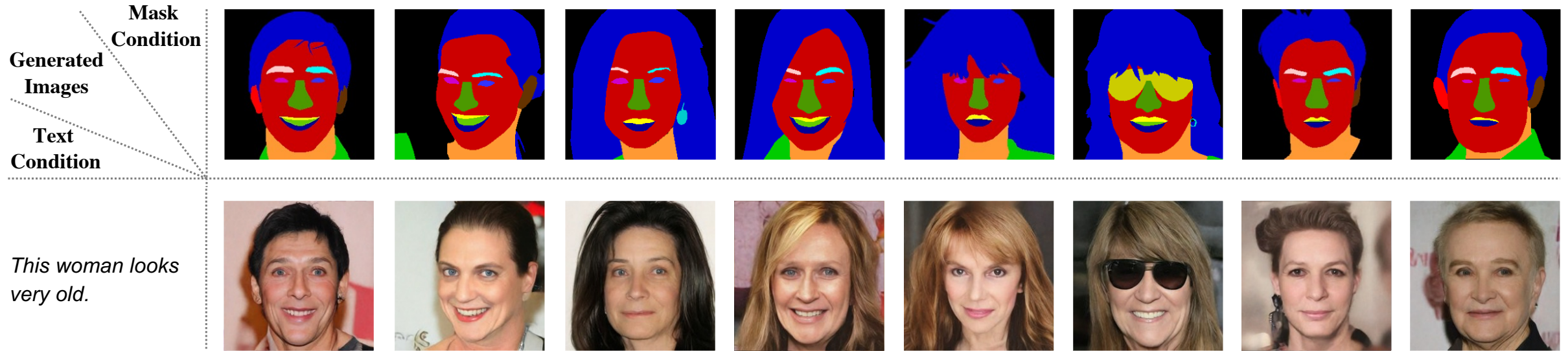
*This woman looks
very old.*



Visual Results: Generation



Visual Results: Generation



Diversity of Synthesis Results

Multi-Modal Conditions

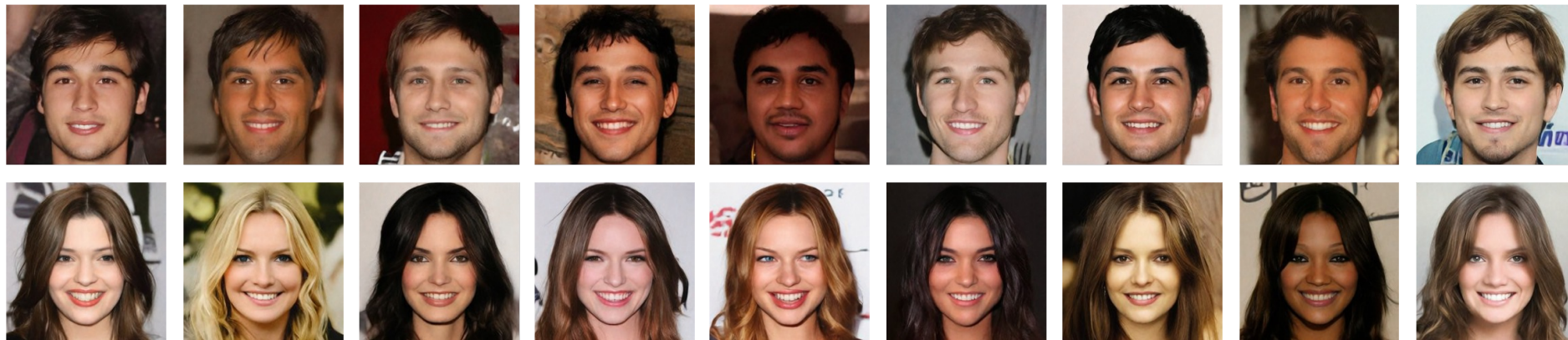


*His face is covered
with short beard.
He is a young
adult.*



*She looks very
young.*

Generated Images



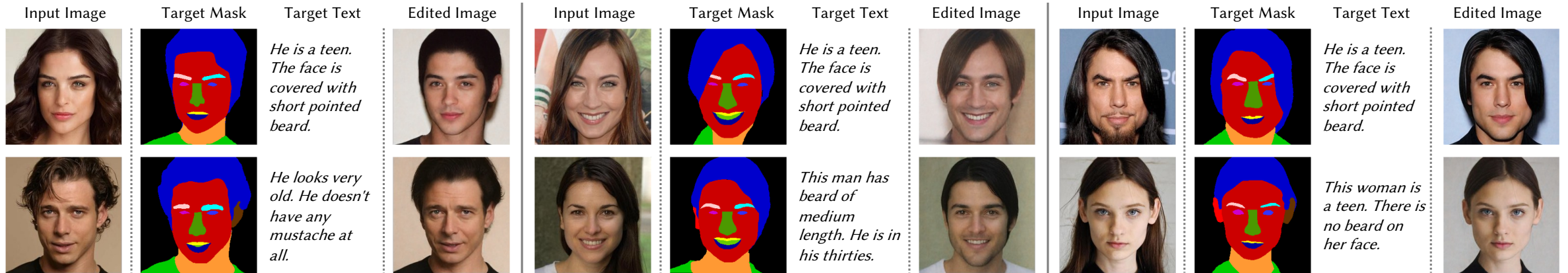
Quantitative Results of Face Generation

- Our method synthesizes images with better quality (lower FID), and higher consistency with the text and mask conditions.

| Method | FID ↓ | Text (%) ↑ | Mask (%) ↑ |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| TediGAN [74, 75] | 157.81 | 24.27 | 72.19 |
| Composable [41] | 124.62 | 23.94 | 76.11 |
| Ours | 111.36 | 24.51 | 80.25 |



Visual Results: Editing



Visual Results: Editing

Input Image



Target Mask



Target Text

This female is in the middle age.

Edited Image

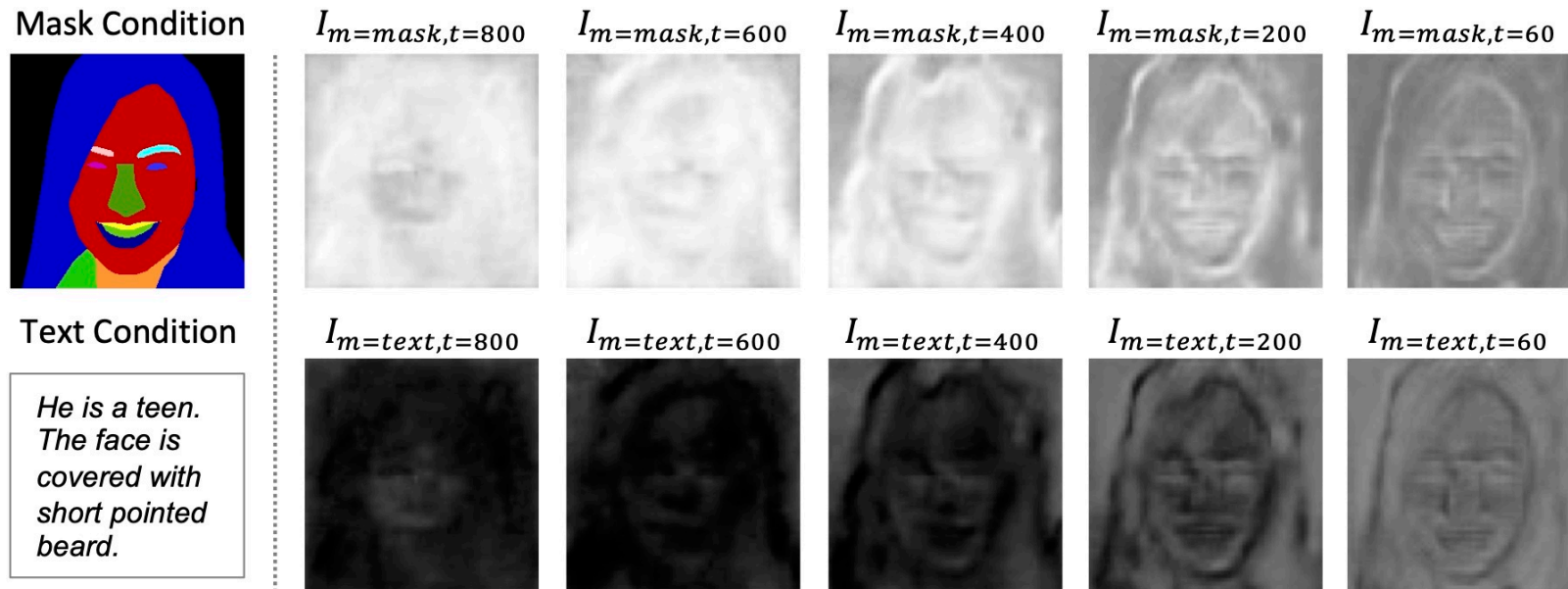


He is a young adult. He doesn't have any beard at all.



Observation on Influence Functions

- **Spatial Variations:**
 - Mask-to-image model: contours
 - Text-to-image model: skin textures and details
- **Temporal Variations:** Layout first, details later



Ablation Study

- Temporal or spatial suppression in influence variation introduces performance drops, which shows the necessity of influence functions' spatial-temporal adaptivity.

| Method | FID ↓ | Text (%) ↑ | Mask (%) ↑ |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Ours w/o Spatial | 117.81 | 24.36 | 80.08 |
| Ours w/o Temporal | 117.34 | 24.48 | 77.07 |
| Ours | 111.36 | 24.51 | 80.25 |



Summary

- In ***Collaborative Diffusion***, pre-trained uni-modal diffusion models collaboratively achieve multi-modal face generation and editing without being re-trained.
- ***Dynamic diffuser*** predicts the spatial-temporal ***influence functions*** to selectively enhance or suppress the contributions from each collaborator.
- Both **quantitative and qualitative results demonstrate the superiority** of Collaborative Diffusion in multi-modal face generation and editing.
- Our Collaborative Diffusion framework could be used to extend ***arbitrary uni-modal approach*** (e.g., conditional motion and 3D generation) to the multi-modal paradigm.

Future Works

- Handle conflicts in multi-modal input
- Collaborate other forms of diffusion models
- Video generation

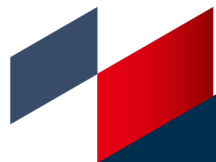


Related Works

- Adding Conditional Control to Text-to-Image Diffusion Models
- T2I-Adapter: Learning Adapters to Dig out More Controllable Ability for Text-to-Image Diffusion Models.



Recent Explorations



Recent Works: *Relation Inversion*

Input

Exemplar Images



Output

Relation Prompt

<R>

represent the co-existing
relation in exemplar images

Application

Relation-Specific Text-to-Image Synthesis



“~~Spüchlein~~ **<R>** ~~paper~~ bag”

“vegetable **is contained inside** paper bag”

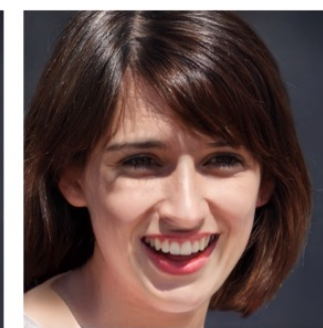
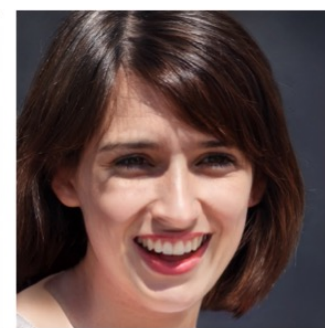
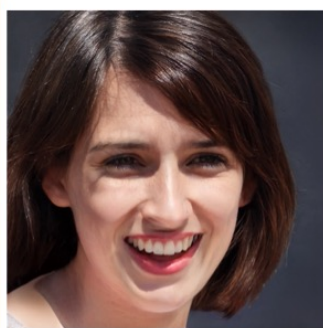
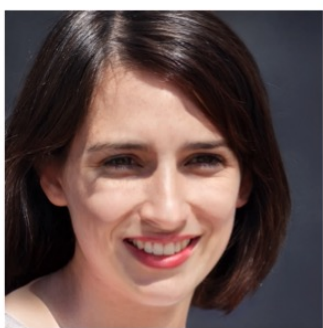
Recent Works: *Talk-to-Edit*



Hi, how does she look like with a bigger smile?



Yes, and the bangs can be much longer. Let's cover the eyebrows.



Is the smile just right now?



editing and checking whether the bangs have covered eyebrows



Maybe you would like to try editing the glasses instead?

Summary

- Human-Machine Collaborative
 - Multi-Modal Control
 - Multi-Round Interactions
- Future
 - Video Generation
 - Complexity & Quality & Controllability





Collaborative Diffusion for Multi-Modal Face Generation and Editing

Paper: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.10530>

Code: <https://github.com/ziqihuangg/Collaborative-Diffusion>

Project Page: <https://ziqihuangg.github.io/projects/collaborative-diffusion.html>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=inLK4c8sNhc>

Q&A



Project Page



Code