

# Physical Sound Synthesis

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# Motivation - Why Physically-based Sound



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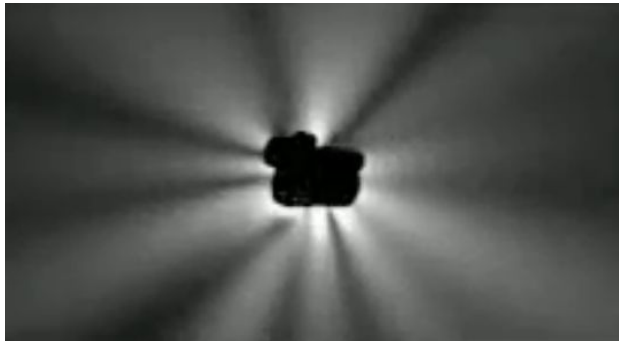
Separation of Variable

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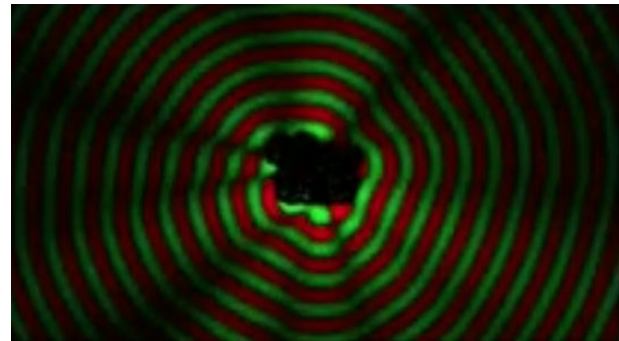
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**Need to solve for all frequencies,  
time sample, object**


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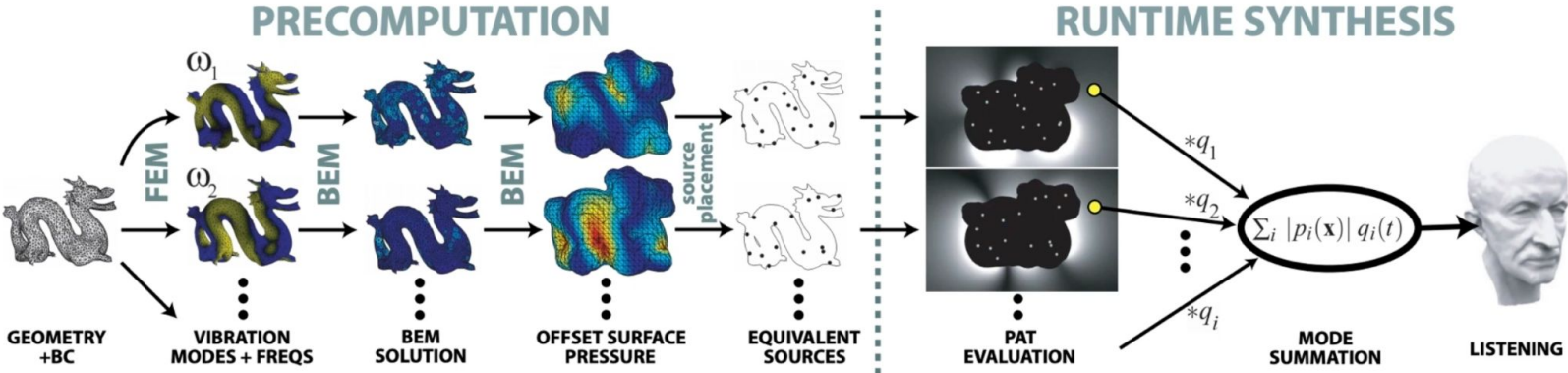


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**Not necessarily true...**

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# Related Work

Directional Sources and Listeners in Interactive Sound Propagation using Reciprocal Wave Field Coding

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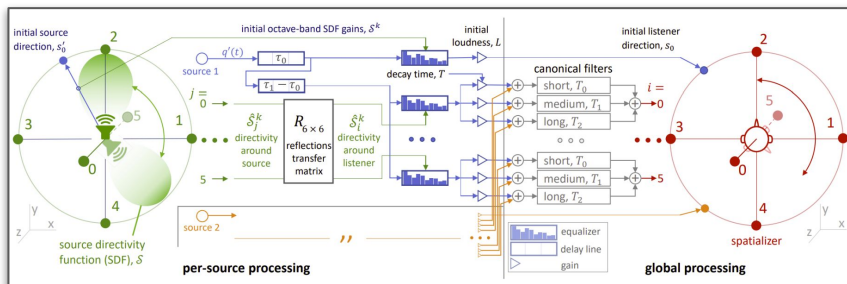
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## Precomputing initial source and reflections

- Fast and effective at Runtime

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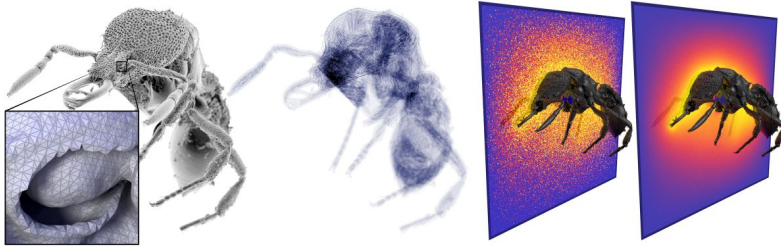
- **memory hungry**
- hard to optimize
- limited to **small static** scenes
- solving propagation, not synthesis



# Related Work

## Monte Carlo Geometry Processing: A Grid-Free Approach to PDE-Based Methods on Volumetric Domains

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## Walk on Sphere & Walk on Stars

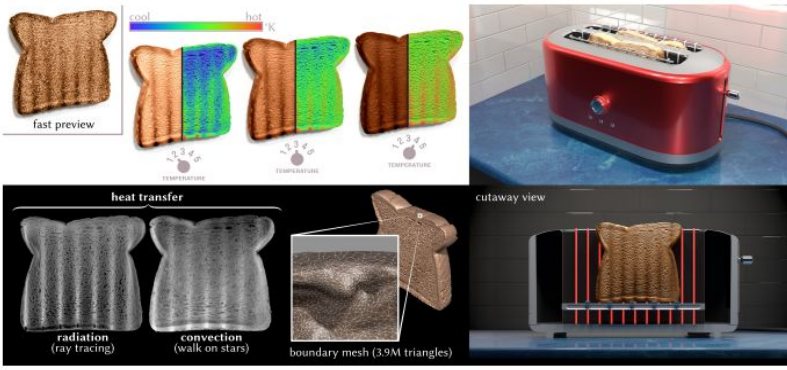
- No pre-computation
- Unbiased

But,

- Hard to get effective samples in **unbounded domain**
- can't solve all PDEs...

## Walk on Stars: A Grid-Free Monte Carlo Method for PDEs with Neumann Boundary Conditions

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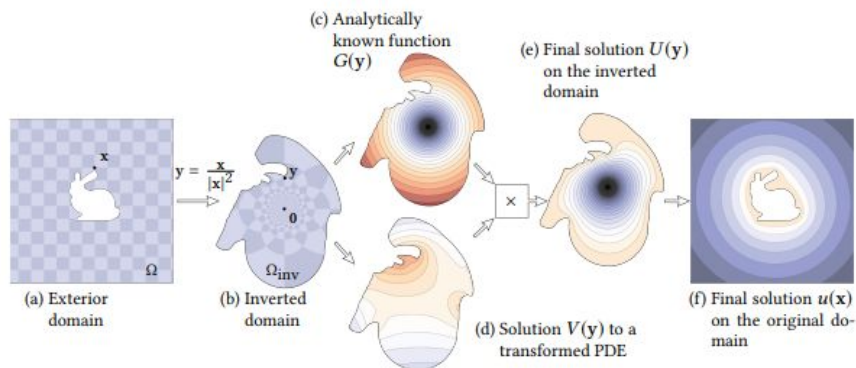
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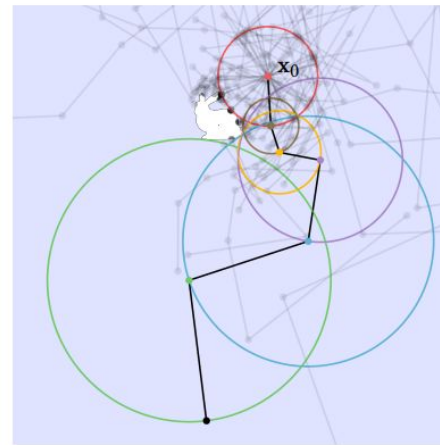
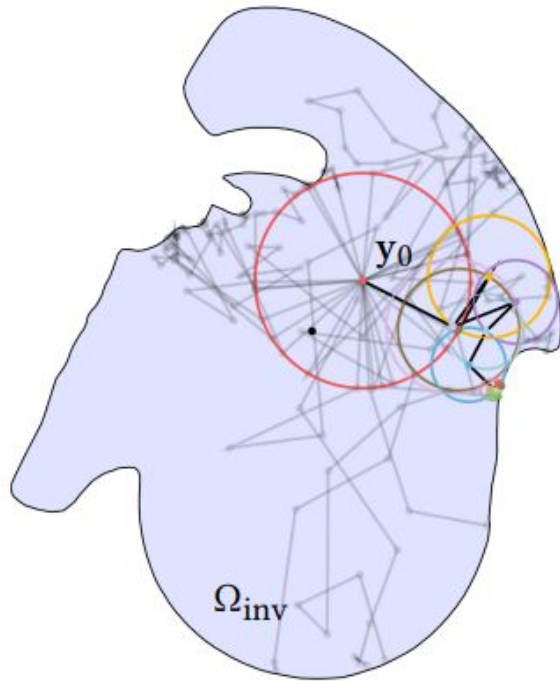
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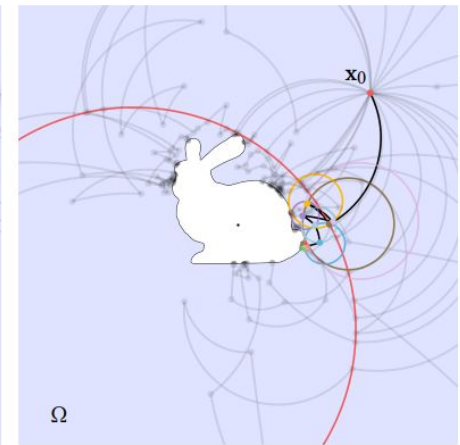
Physically-based sound rendering should be done on unbounded domain.



# Solving Wave Equation with MCM (2)



(a) WoS-RR on an infinite domain



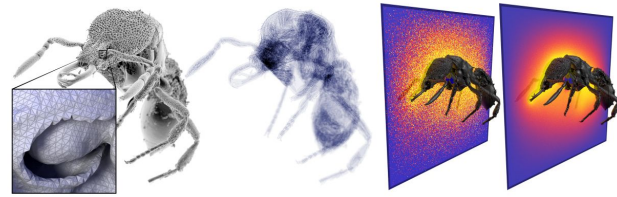
(b) WoS-KT on the original domain

Main idea: Inverse the domain to make the unbounded infinity to become a singularity in the center.

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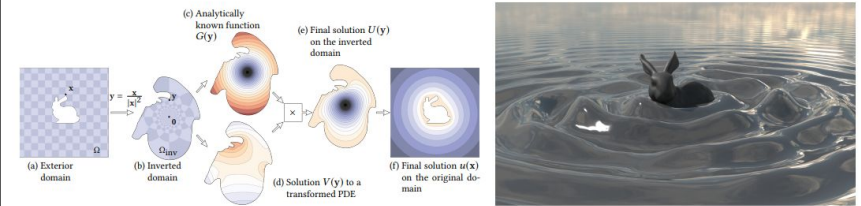
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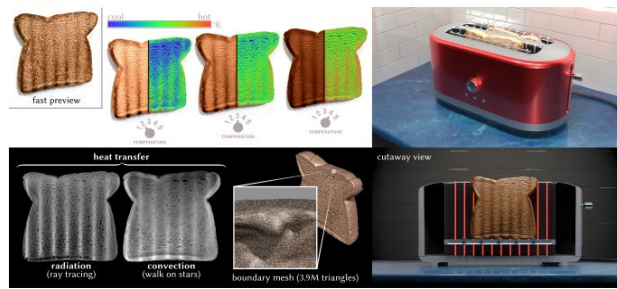
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$$\frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \nabla^2 p(\mathbf{x}, t) + c\alpha \nabla^2 \frac{\partial p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega,$$

However, there is no stochastic representation of wave equation in general domain.

# New Approach: Neural-Network based soln.

## NeuralSound: Learning-based Modal Sound Synthesis with Acoustic Transfer

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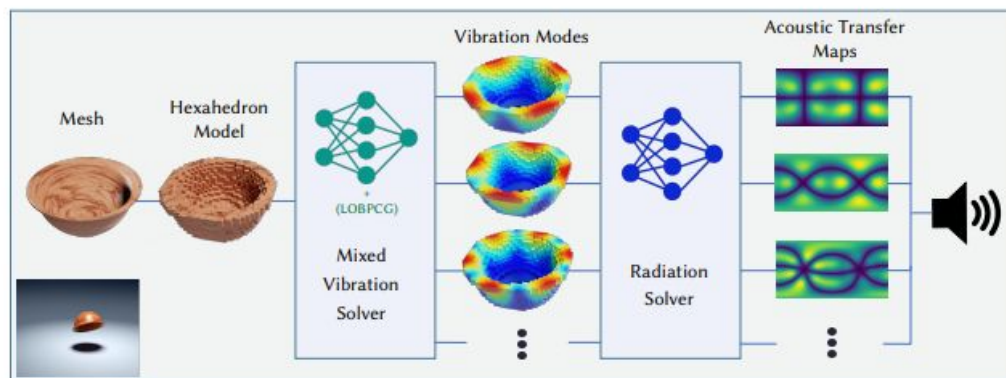


Fig. 1. Learning-based approach for modal sound synthesis: We use neural networks to accelerate both modal analysis and acoustic transfer precomputation, and evaluate the performance on many new and unseen objects. Our approach can solve both vibration and radiation for plausible sound effects within one second per object on a GeForce RTX 3080 Ti GPU.

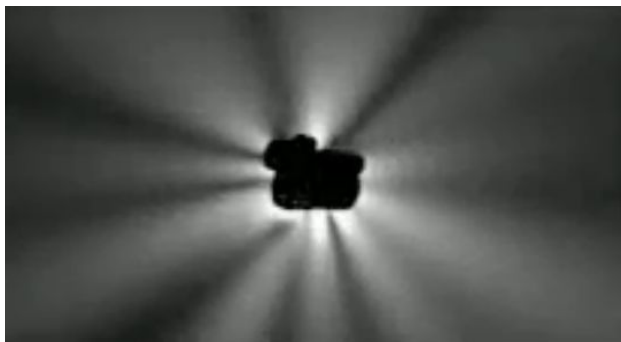
## NeuralSound [SIGGRAPH 2022]

# Review

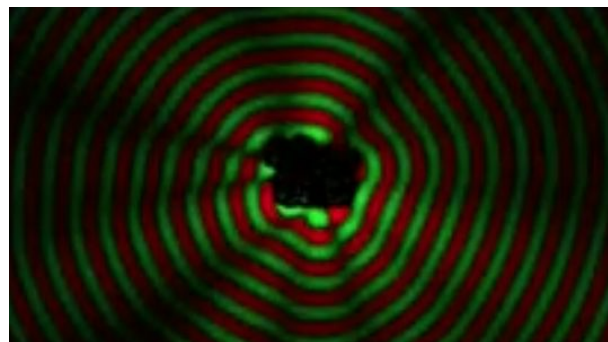
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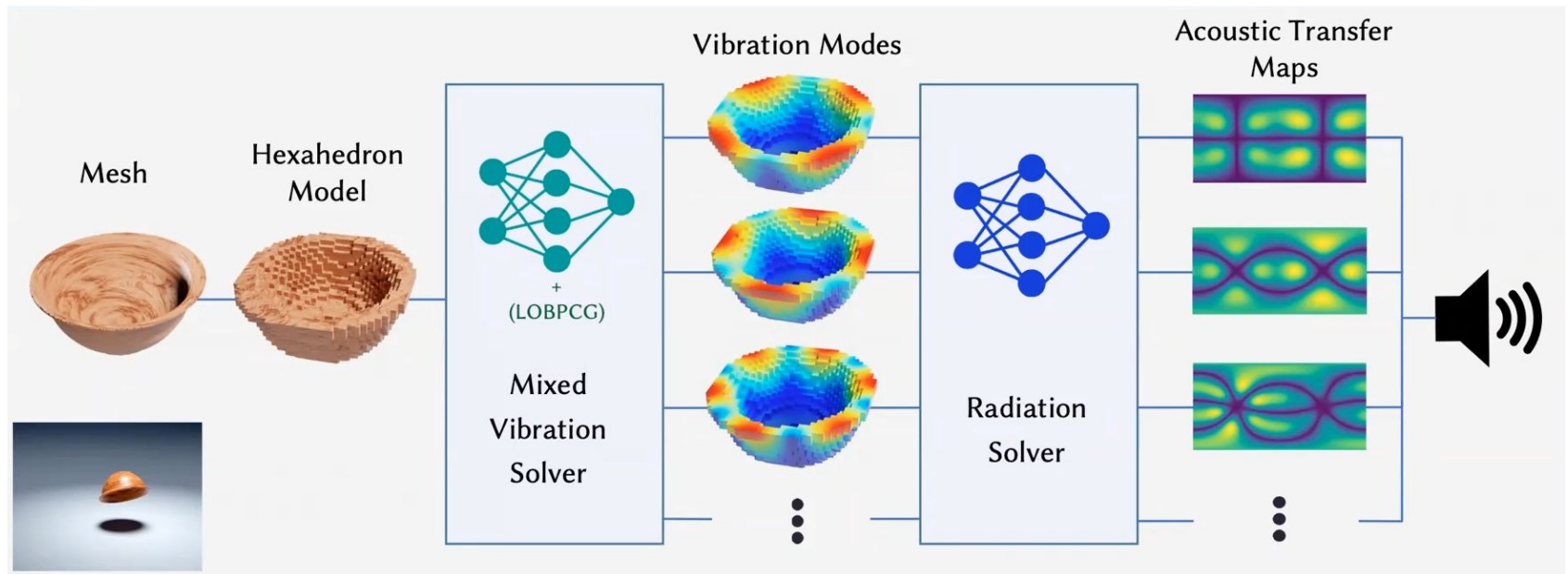


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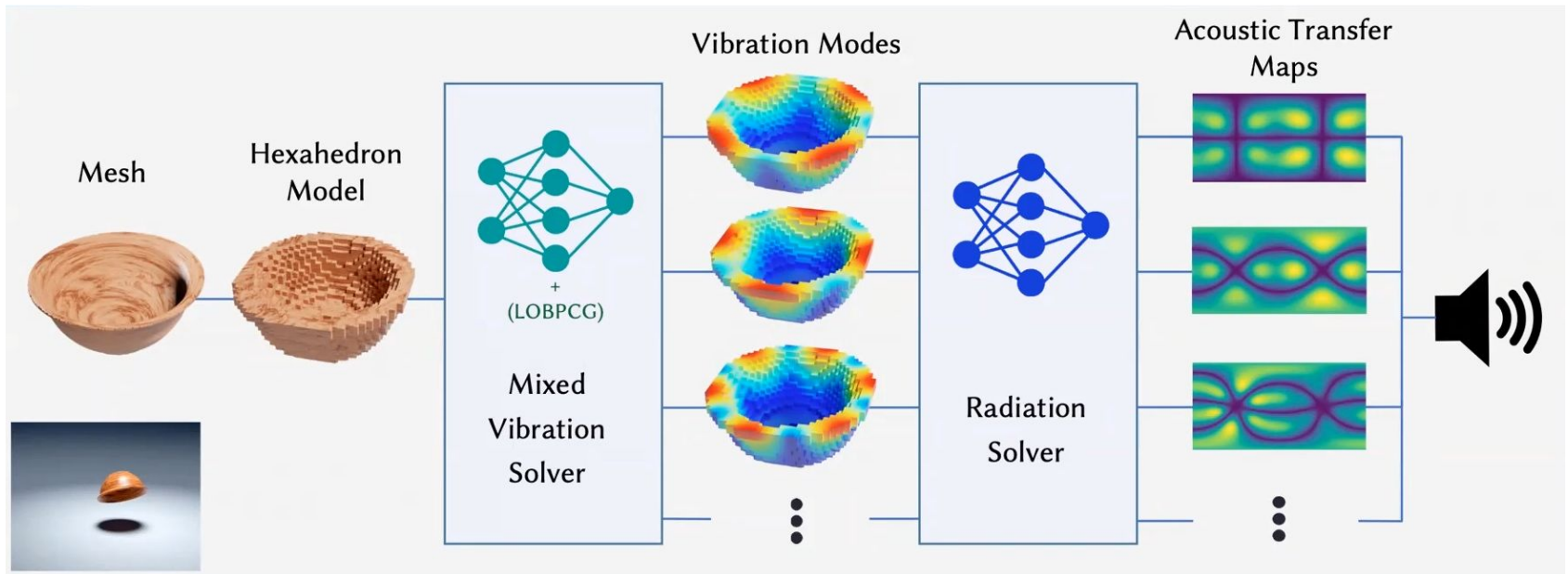
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The architecture consist of 2 parts:

- Mixed Vibration Solver: Obtain the modes of vibration of the object.
- Radiation Solve: Determine the sound pressure generated by each modes

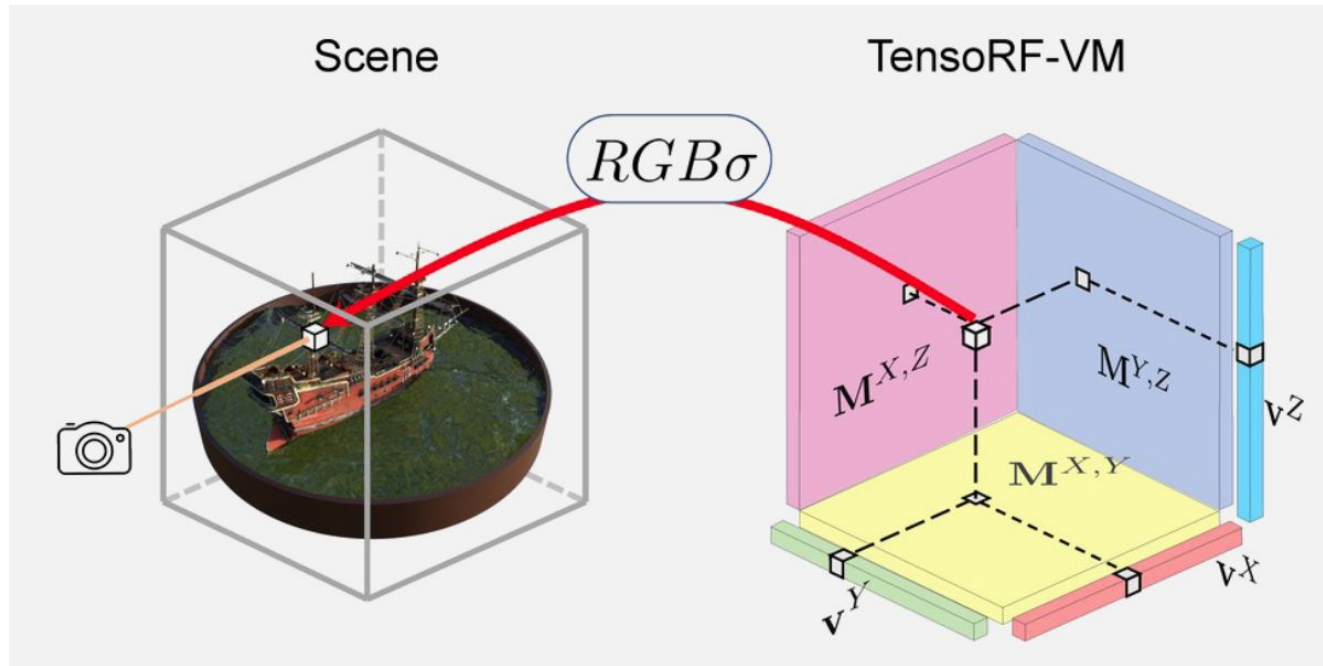
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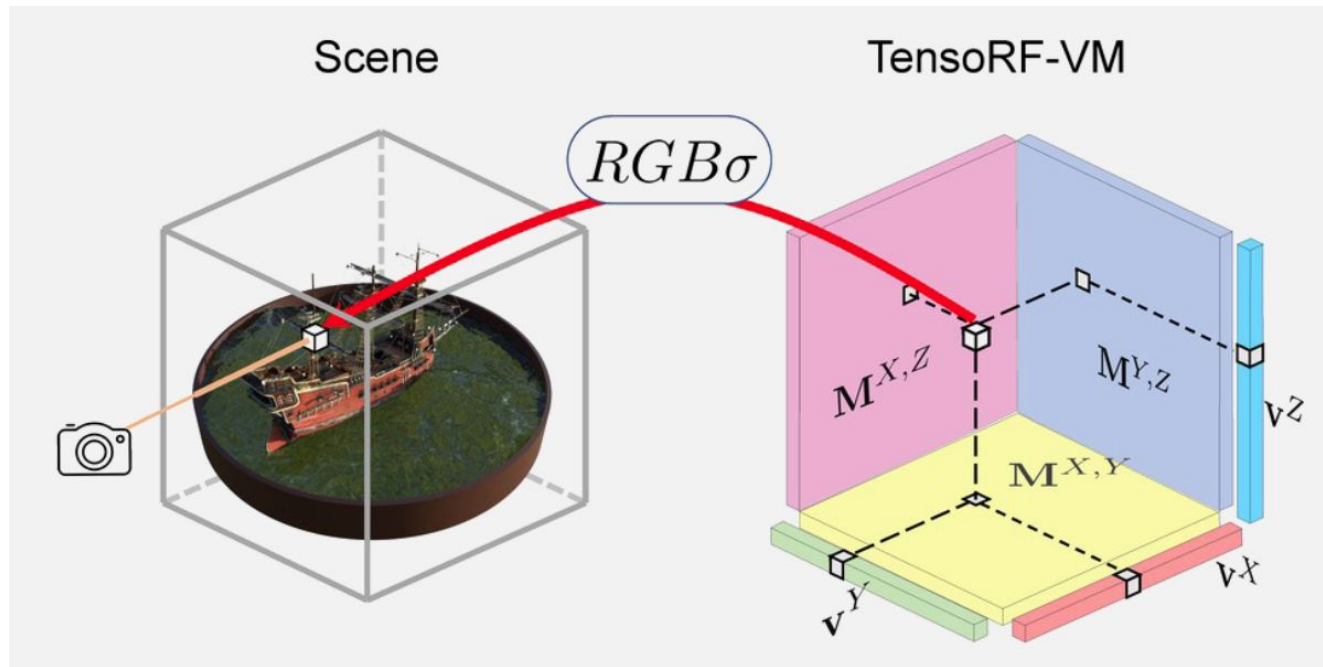
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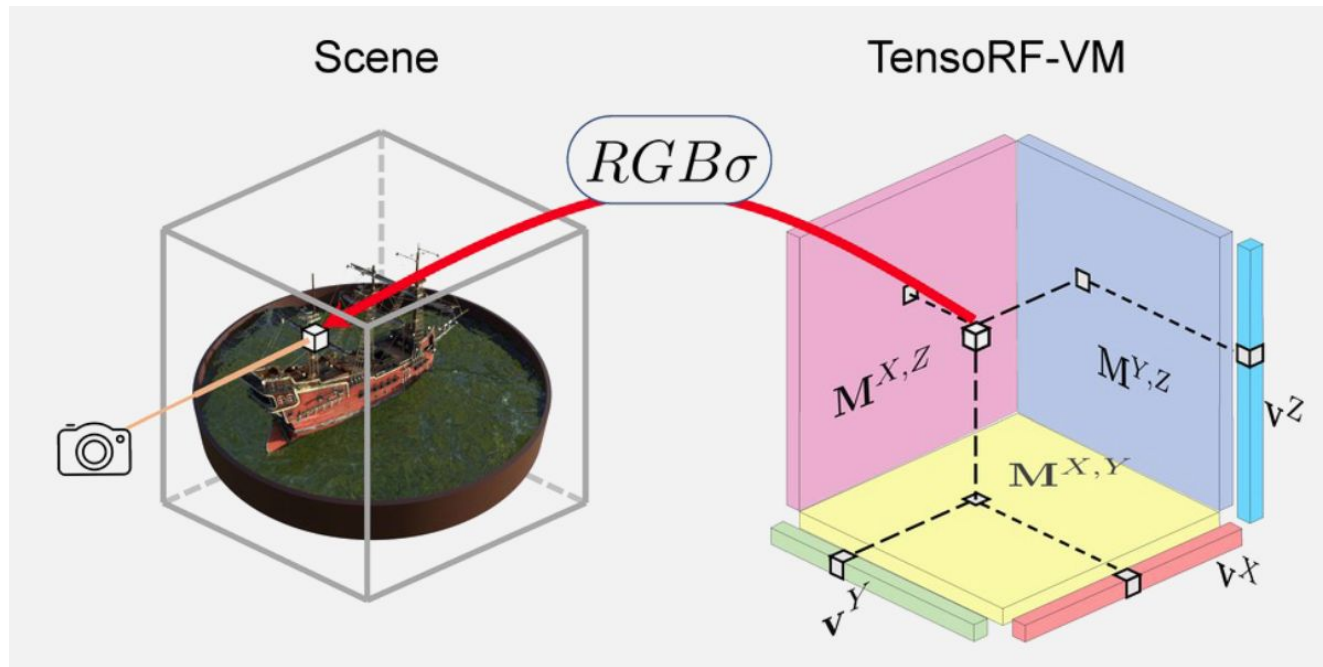


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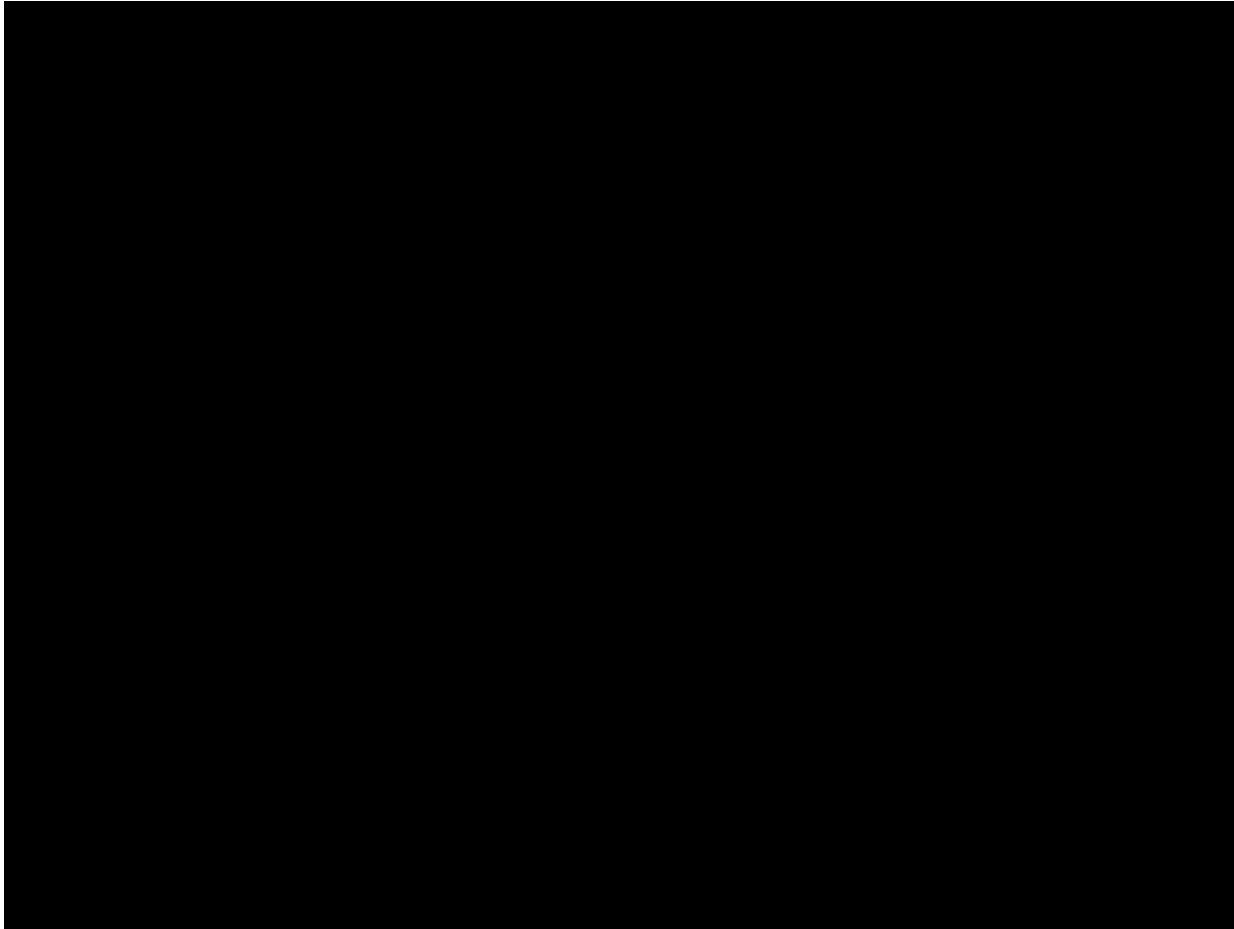


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“explicit” representation → compatible with existing pipeline

# Result of Neural Sound



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