

# Efficient daylight modeling for existing buildings

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# overview

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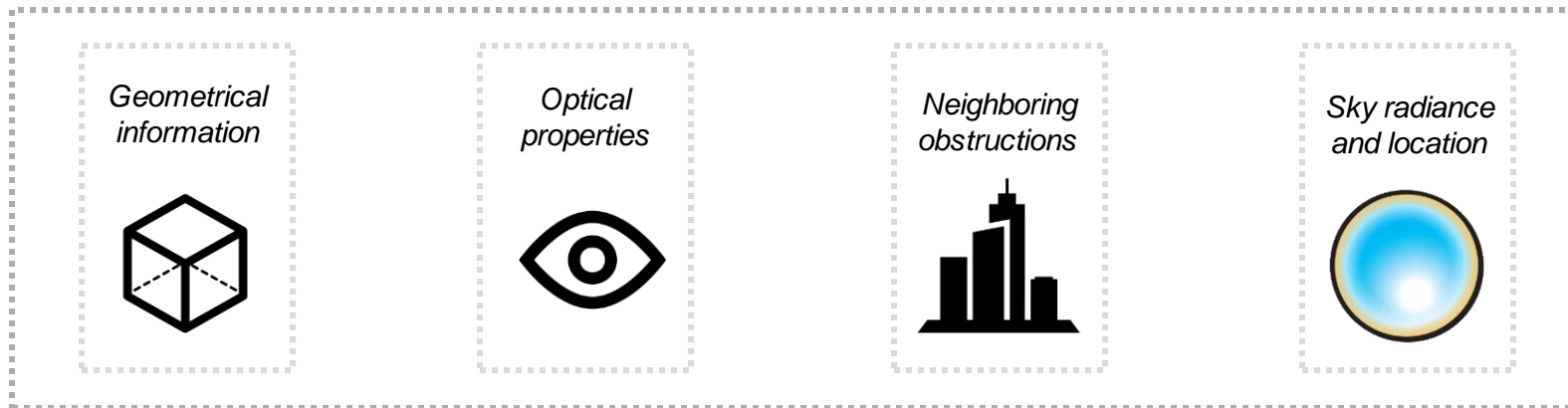
## Introduction

- Circular built environment
- Higher building performance, lower environmental cost



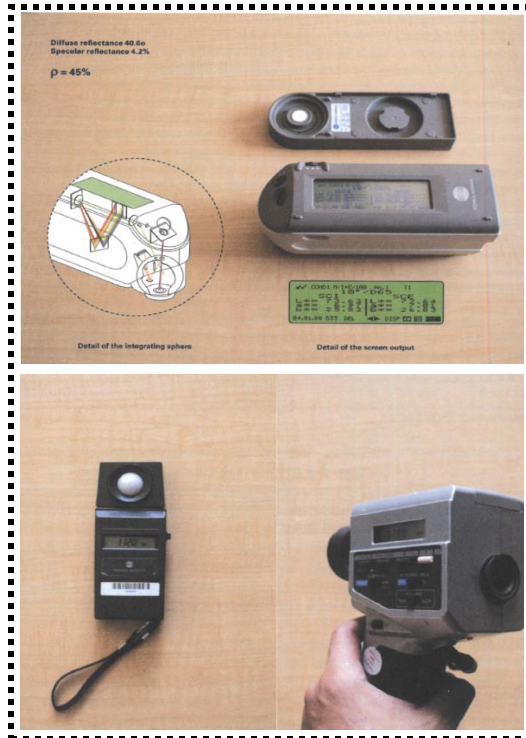
# Introduction

- Physically-based calculation

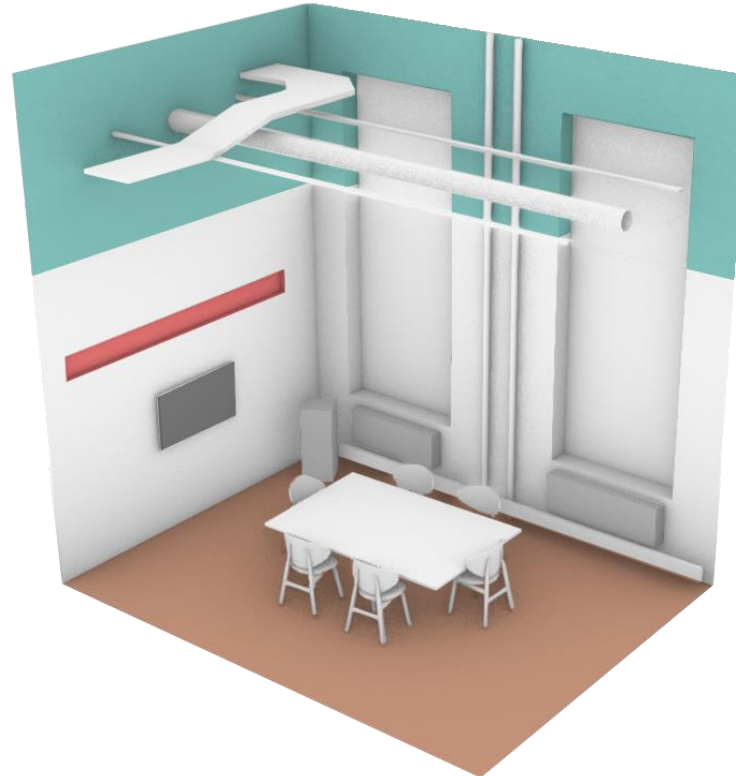


## Introduction

### Material characterization



Measurement devices for material characterization [1]



### Geometry measurements



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**CAD**

Introduction

*Manual steps, time-consuming, labor intensive*

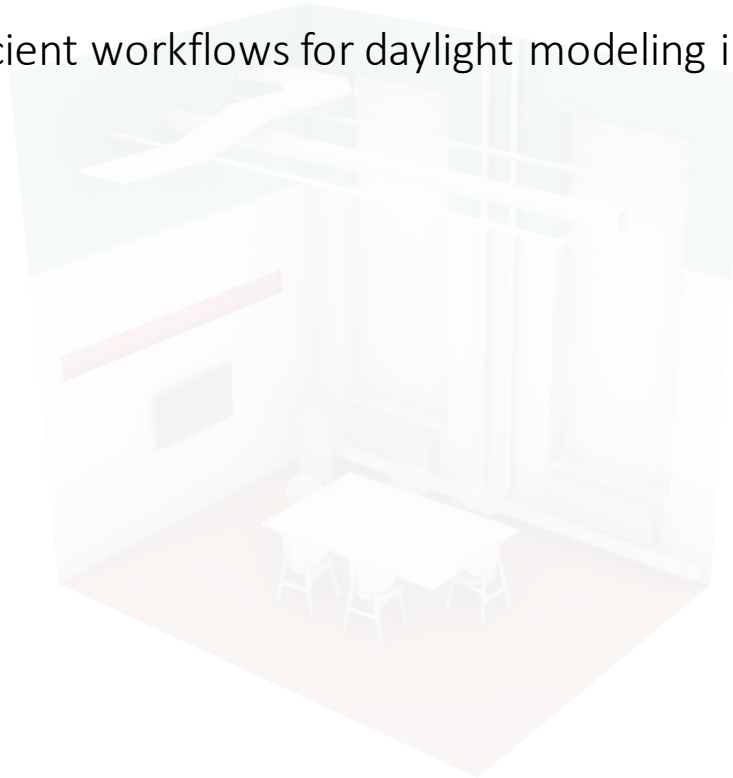
Material characterization

**Goal**

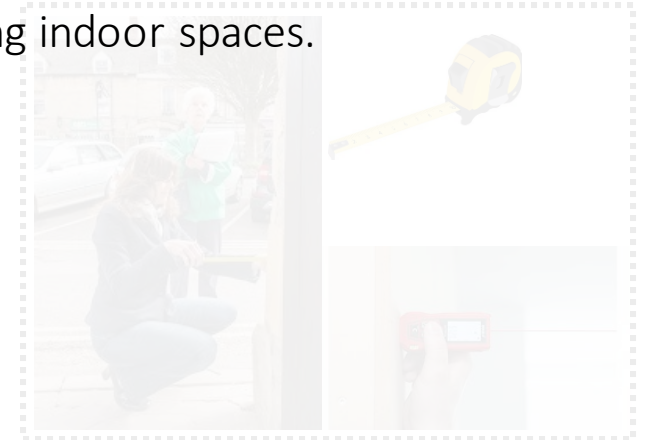
Develop efficient workflows for daylight modeling in existing indoor spaces.



Measurement devices for material characterization [1]



Geometry measurements

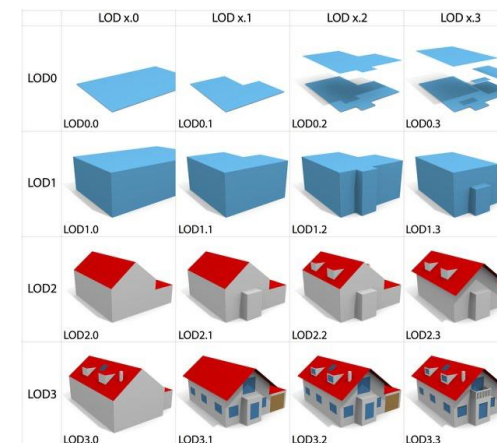


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CAD

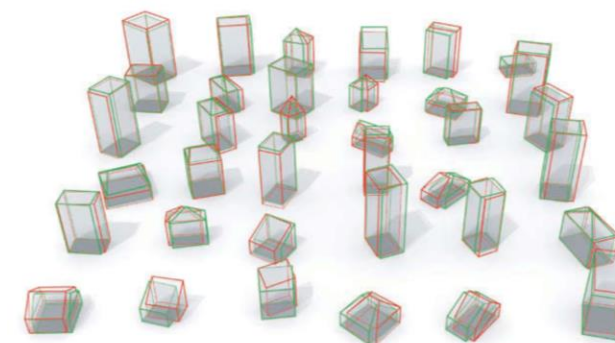
## How important is the accuracy?

- What is the acceptable level of detail and accuracy for a geometrical and material definition for daylight simulation?
- Are existing geometrical LODs useful enough for daylight applications? Is it possible to develop them?

- Level of detail



- Geometrical accuracy



- Optical properties

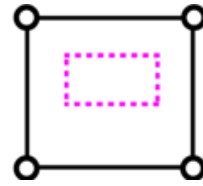
- Reflectance RGB
- Specularity
- Roughness

# Geometrical reconstruction

## Watertight (permanent structures)



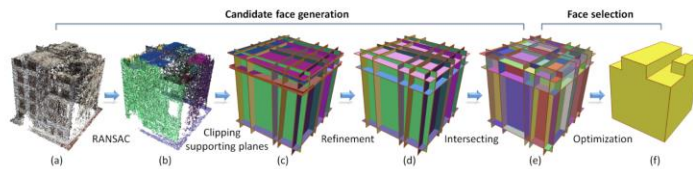
## Window boundaries



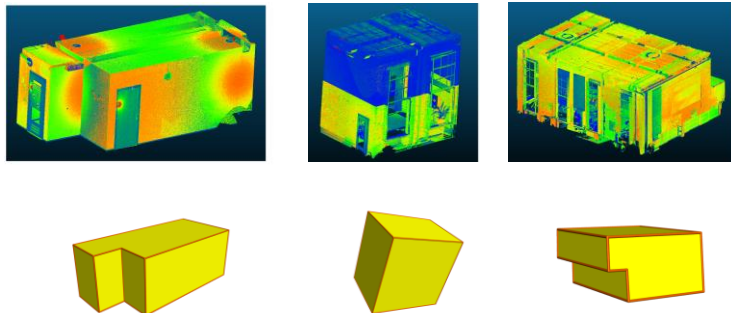
## Major furniture pieces



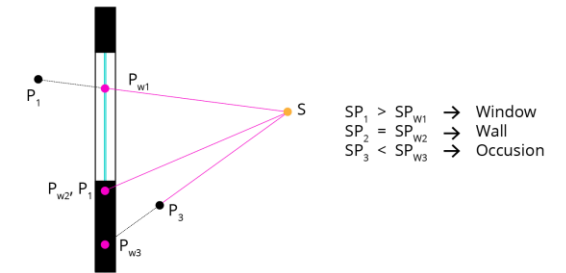
### 1. Polyfit



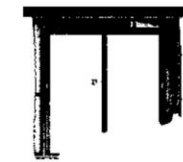
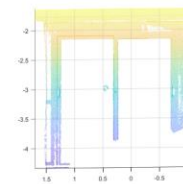
### Test results:



1. Window boundaries from relative position of permanent structures and points
2. Wall plane detection > hole detection



Wall plane



Hole detection for window boundary reconstruction [7]

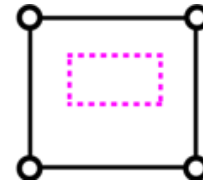


## Geometrical reconstruction

**Watertight**  
(*permanent structures*)



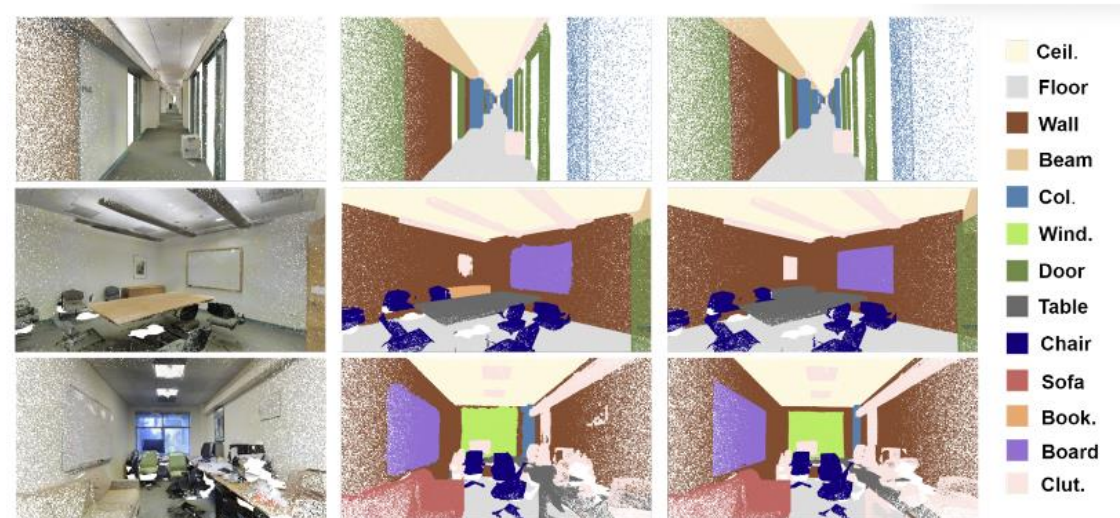
**Window boundaries**



**Major furniture pieces**



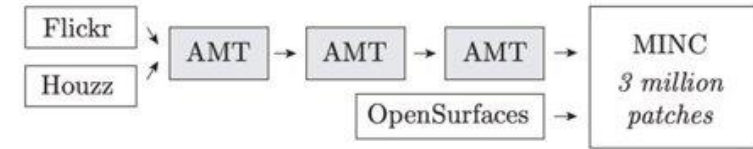
Learning-based semantic segmentation  
> mesh and surface reconstruction



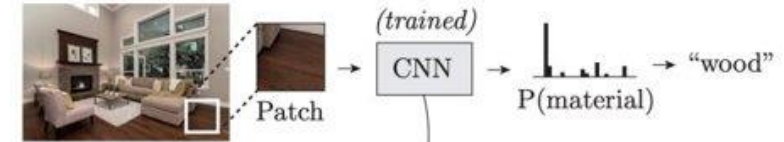
## Material characterization for daylight/ Opaque

- Material patch labeling (+ image segmentation)

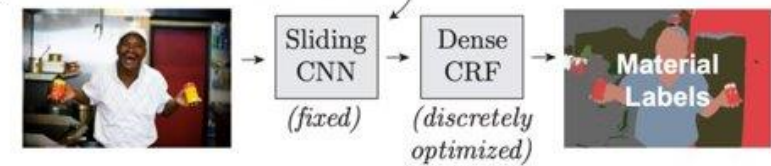
### (a) Constructing MINC



### (b) Patch material classification

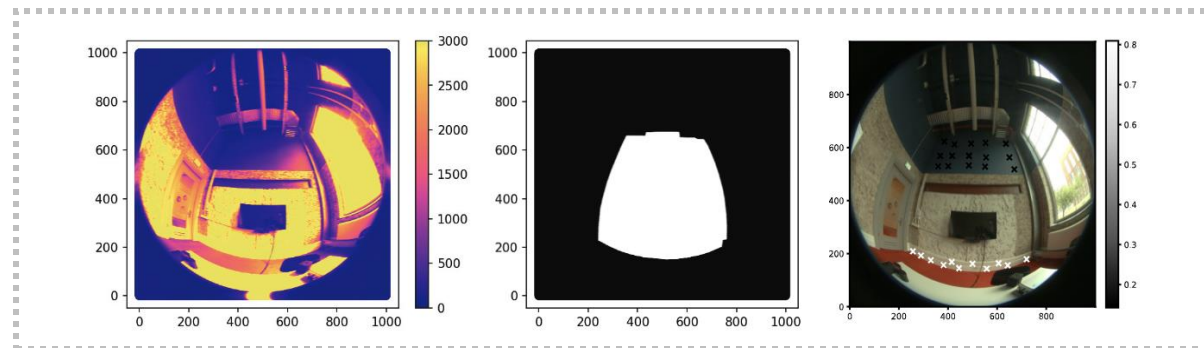


### (c) Full scene material classification



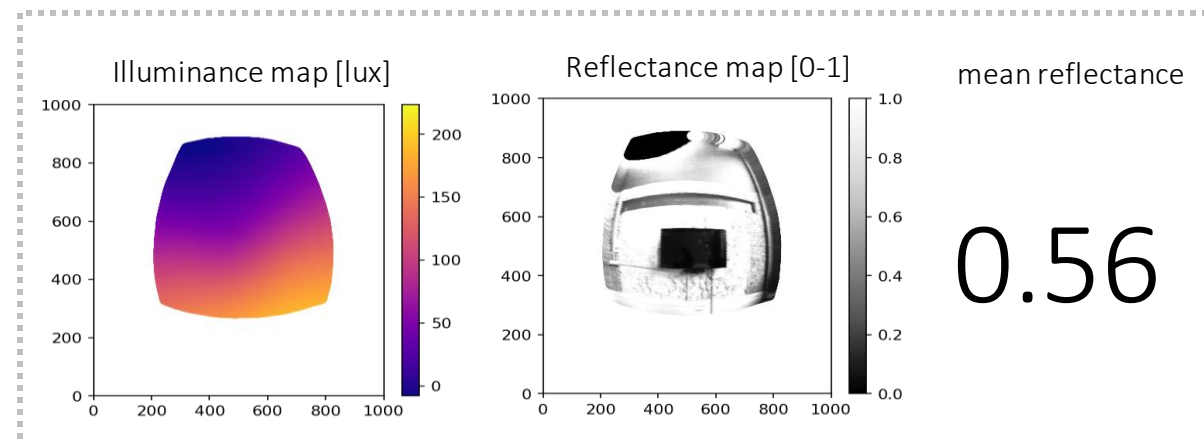
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- Material patch labeling (+ image segmentation)
- HDRI and illuminance proxy



Input

$$\rho = \frac{(L * \pi)}{E} + \text{Surface interpolation}$$



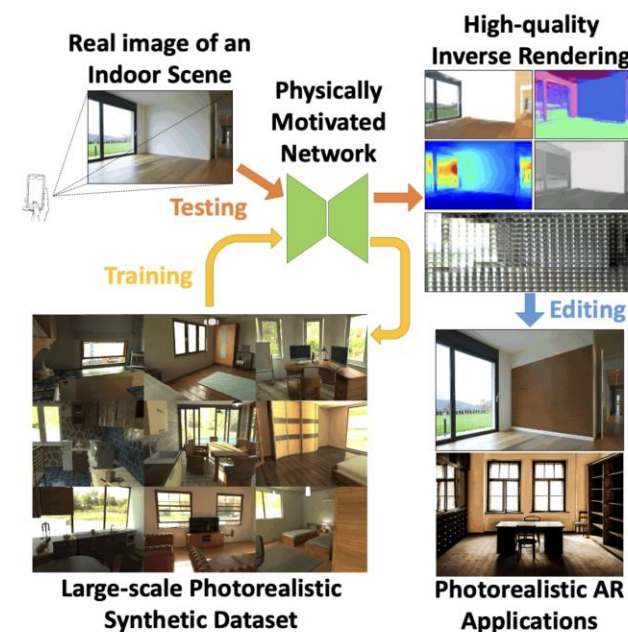
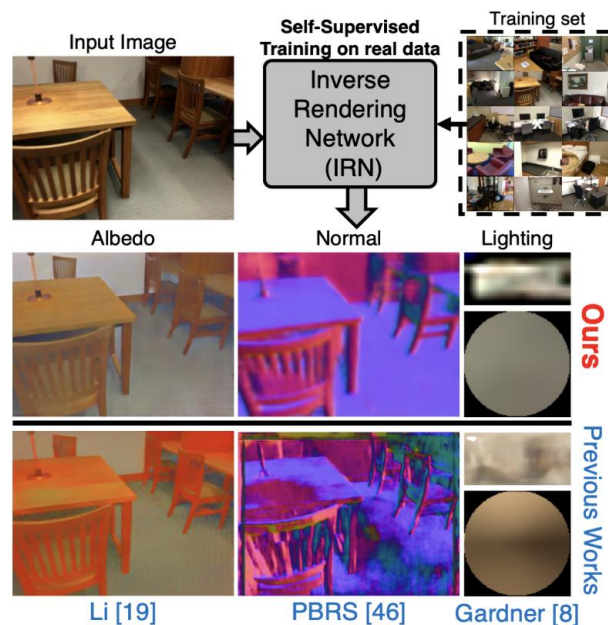
output

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- Inverse rendering and Intrinsic image decomposition

• **Inverse rendering:** estimating render equation such as geometry, lights, materials, or the camera model.

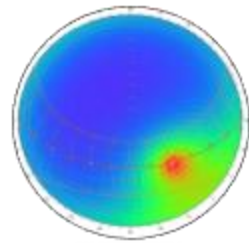
• **Intrinsic decomposition:** albedo and shading.



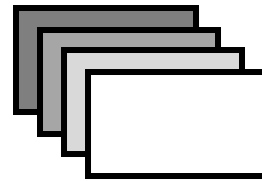
## Material characterization for daylight/ Transparent

### Transparent surfaces

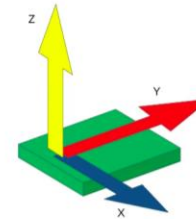
- HDR photography from the windows at two states.
- HDR photography with known external camera parameters, simulated sky.



Simulated sky



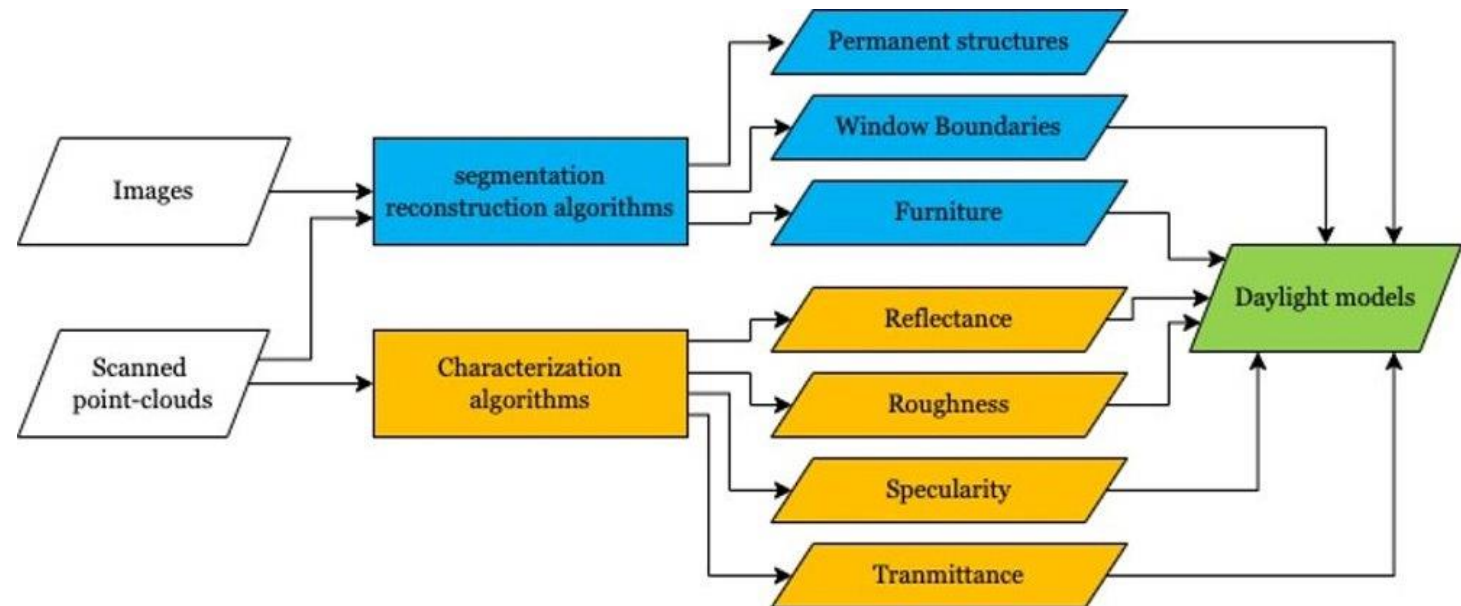
HDRI



Camera direction

## Conclusion and future work

- Less manual steps
- Affordable daylight modeling
- Faster IEQ improvement





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