

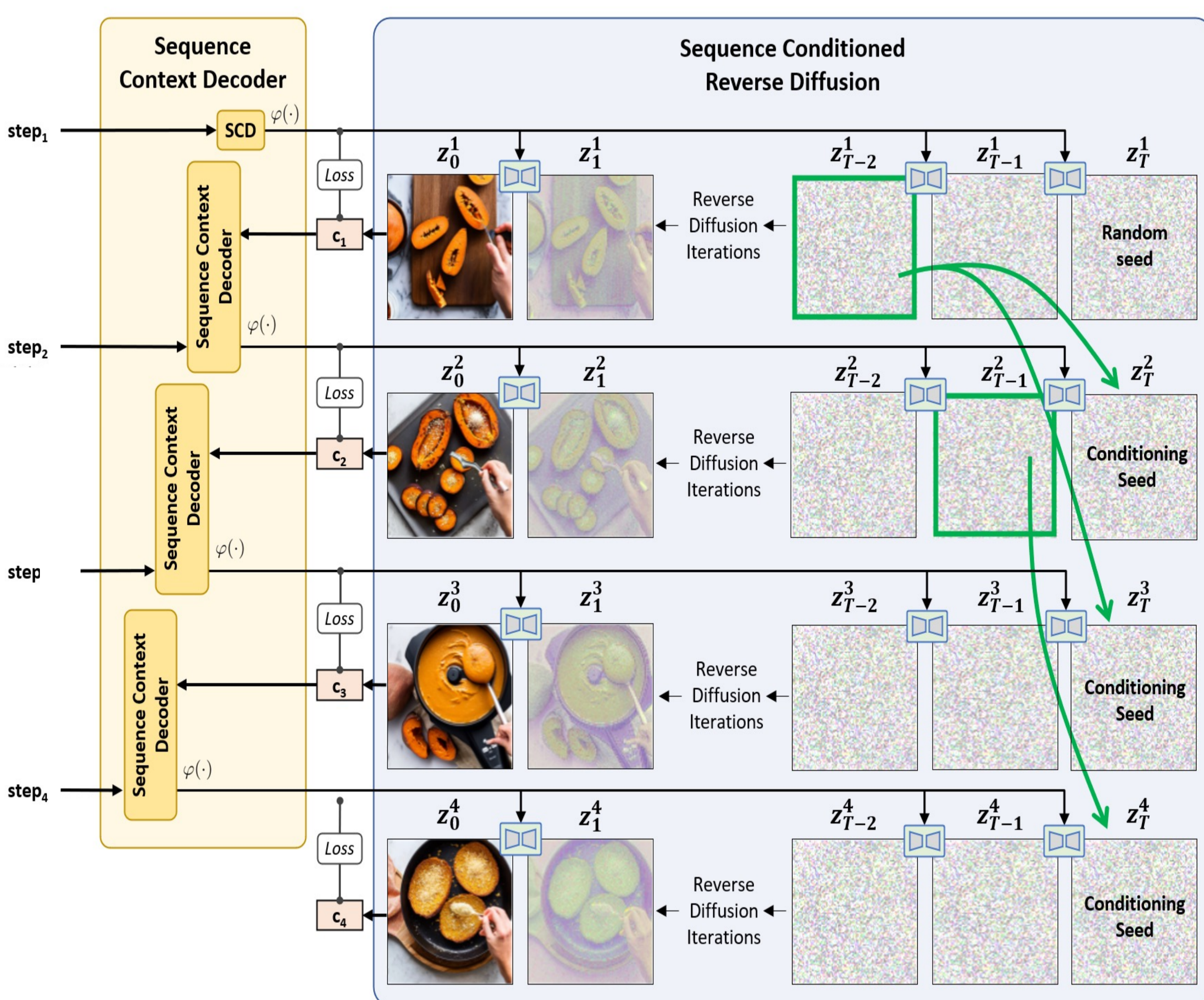
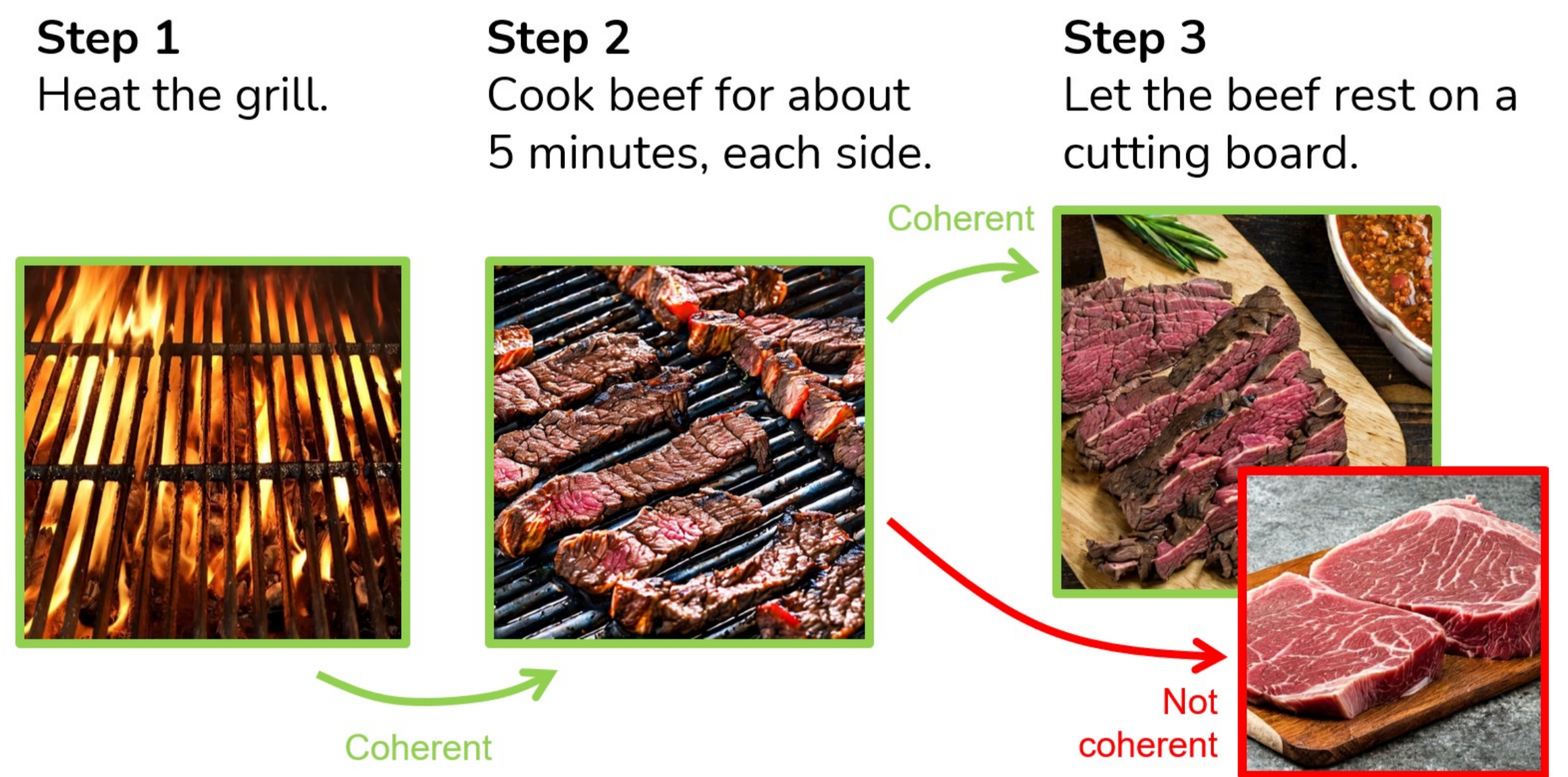
# Generating Coherent Sequences of Visual Illustrations for Real-World Manual Tasks

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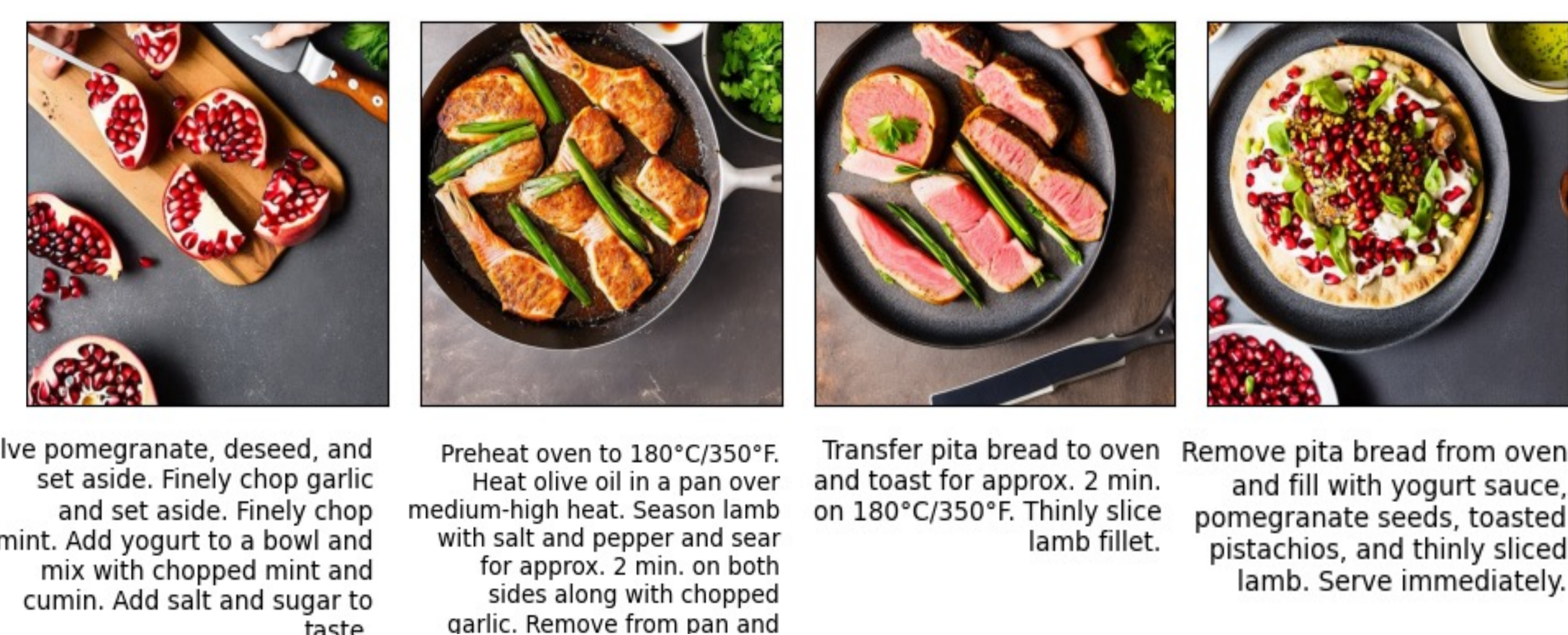
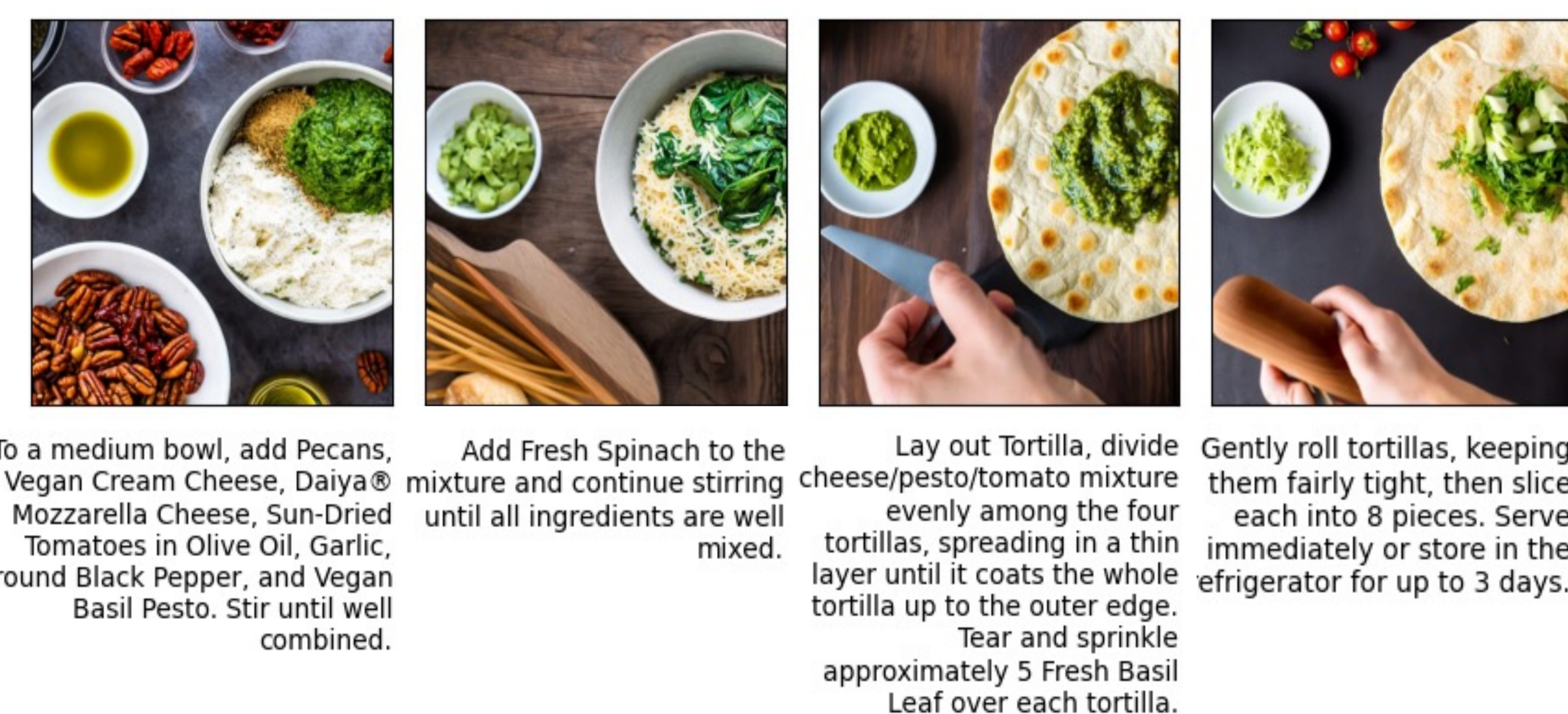
## Challenges

- Clearly illustrate the actions described in the instructions.
- Maintain **semantic coherence** by ensuring objects remain consistent across consecutive images.
- Ensure **visual coherence** with consistent backgrounds and visual properties in all images.
- **Non-linear sequence** where steps may not always relate directly to the **previous step**



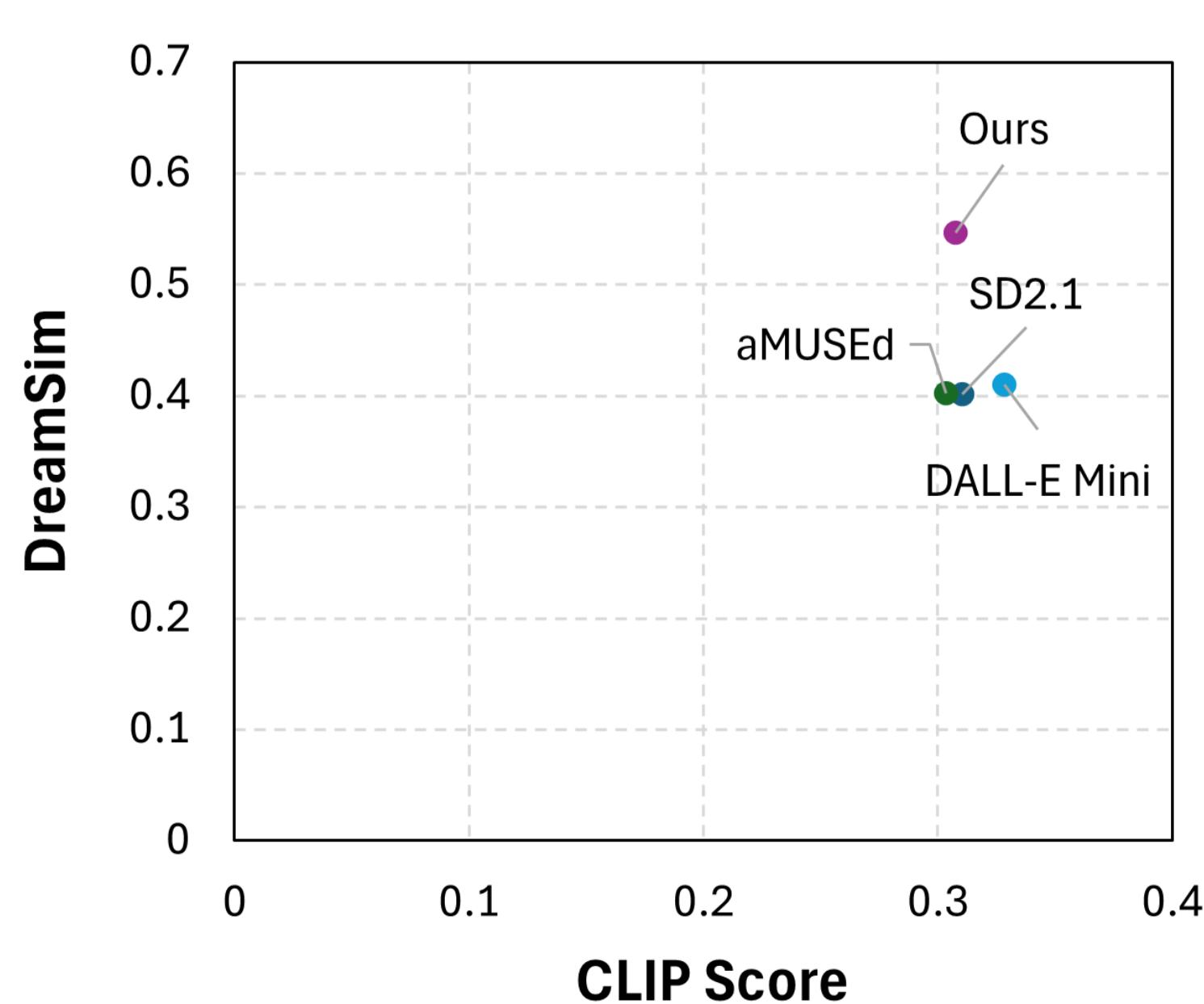
## Sequential Latent Diffusion Model

- Transform the step's context into a **visual caption**.
- Ensure generated captions are **contextually relevant** by considering the target step and previous steps window.
- Condition the current image generation on **previous ones**.
- Identify the **most similar previous step** to use as a base for generating the new image.
- Select the **best latent representations** from the chosen image to serve as the seed for the new generation.



## Results and Conclusions

- Improves **image sequence coherence** (DreamSim) while maintaining **text-to-image generation quality** (CLIP Score).
- **Preserves key visual and semantic traits** from selected images.
- Preferred by human annotators in both recipe and out-of-domain (DIY) tasks, ensuring better **overall sequence coherence** and **user preference**.
- Highlights the importance of selectively **conditioning the denoising process** on previous steps.



Method	Recipes (seen)	DIY (unseen)
Proposed method (wins)	46.67	30.00
Second best (wins)	26.67	23.33
Tie	10.00	16.67
No good sequence	16.67	30.00