

CreativeAI: Deep Learning for Graphics

## **Image Domains**

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#### **Timetable**

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Theory and Basics	Introduction	2:15 pm	Χ	Χ	X
	Machine Learning Basics	~ 2:25 pm	X		
	Neural Network Basics	~ 2:55 pm			X
	Feature Visualization	~ 3:25 pm		X	
	Alternatives to Direct Supervision	~ 3:35 pm		Χ	
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State of the Art	Image Domains	4:15 pm		X	
	3D Domains	~ 4:45 pm	Χ		
	Motion and Physics	~ 5:15 pm			X
	Discussion	~ 5:45 pm	X	X	X



#### **Overview**

Examples of deep learning techniques that are commonly used in the image domain:

- Common Architecture Elements (Dilated Convolution, Grouped Convolutions)
- Deep Features
   (Autoencoders, Transfer Learning, One-shot Learning, Style Transfer)
- Adversarial Image Generation (GANs, CGANs)
- Interesting Trends (Attention, "Gray Box" Learning)



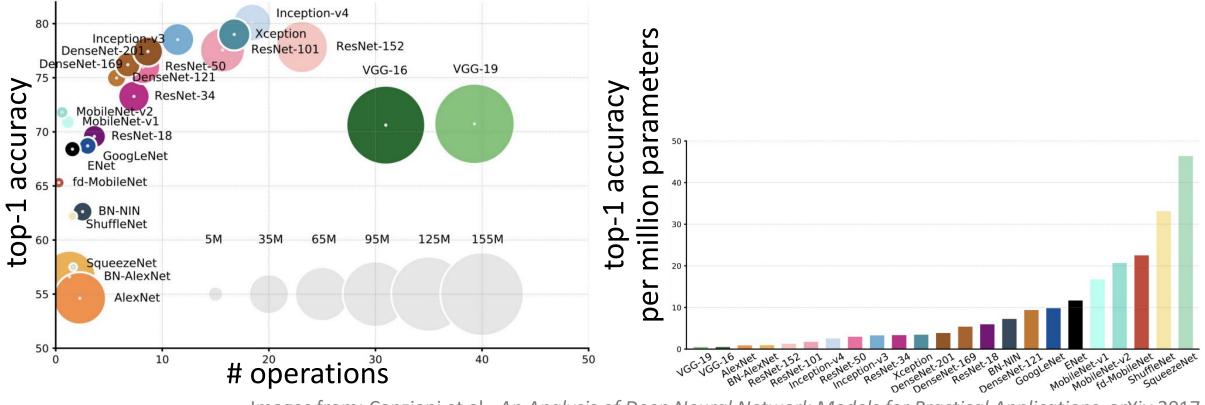
## **Common Architecture Elements**



#### Classification, Segmentation, Detection

#### ImageNet classification performance

(for up-to-date top-performers see leaderboards of datasets like ImageNet or COCO)



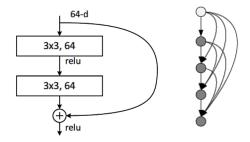




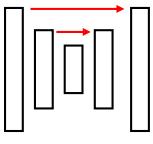
#### **Architecture Elements**

Some notable architecture elements shared by many successful architectures:

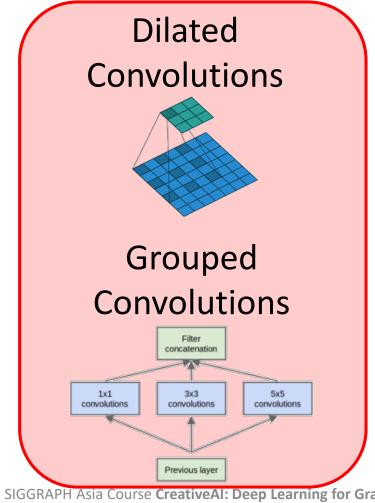
**Residual Blocks** and Dense Blocks



**Skip Connections** (UNet)







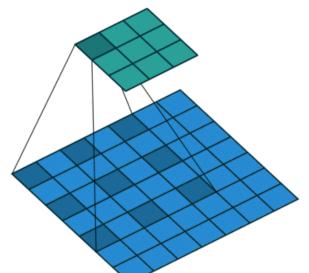
**Attention** (Spatial and over Channels)

#### **Dilated (Atrous) Convolutions**

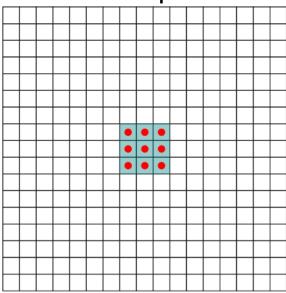
Problem: increasing the receptive field costs a lots of parameters.

Idea: spread out the samples used in each convolution.

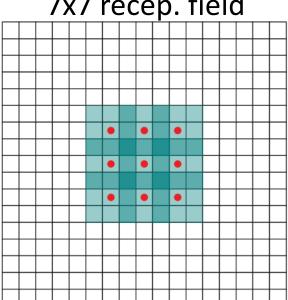
dilated convolution



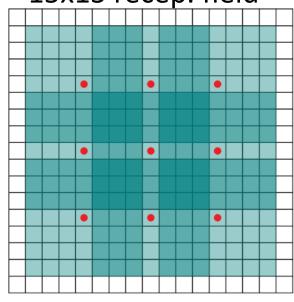
1<sup>st</sup> layer: not dilated 3x3 recep. field



2<sup>nd</sup> layer: 1-dilated 7x7 recep. field



3<sup>rd</sup> layer: 2-dilated 15x15 recep. field



Images from: Dumoulin and Visin, A guide to convolution arithmetic for deep learning, arXiv 2016 Yu and Koltun, Multi-scale Context Aggregation by Dilated Convolutions, ICLR 2016

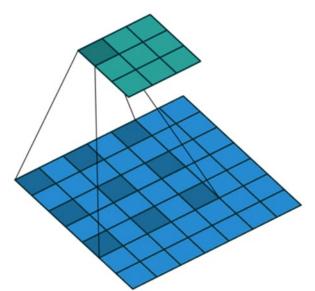


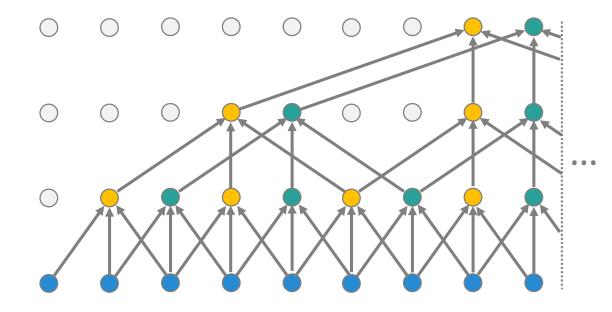
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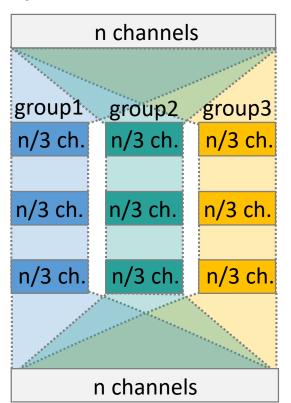
Input image

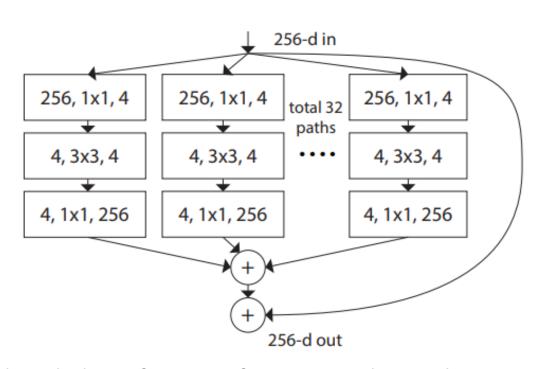
Dumoulin and Visin, A guide to convolution arithmetic for deep learning, arXiv 2016



#### **Grouped Convolutions (Inception Modules)**

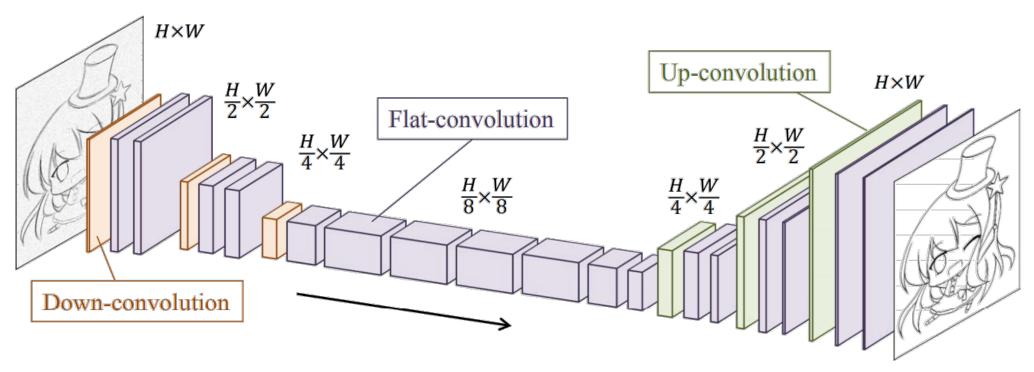
Problem: conv. parameters grow quadratically in the number of channels Idea: split channels into groups, remove connections between different groups







#### **Example: Sketch Simplification**

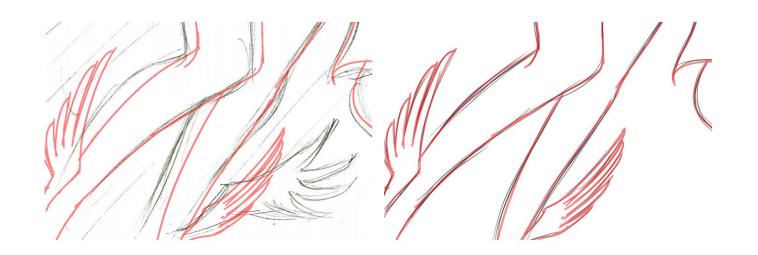


Learning to Simplify: Fully Convolutional Networks for Rough Sketch Cleanup, Simo-Serra et al.



#### **Example: Sketch Simplification**

- Loss for thin edges saturates easily
- Authors take extra steps to align input and ground truth edges



Pencil: input

Red: ground truth

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#### **Image Decomposition**

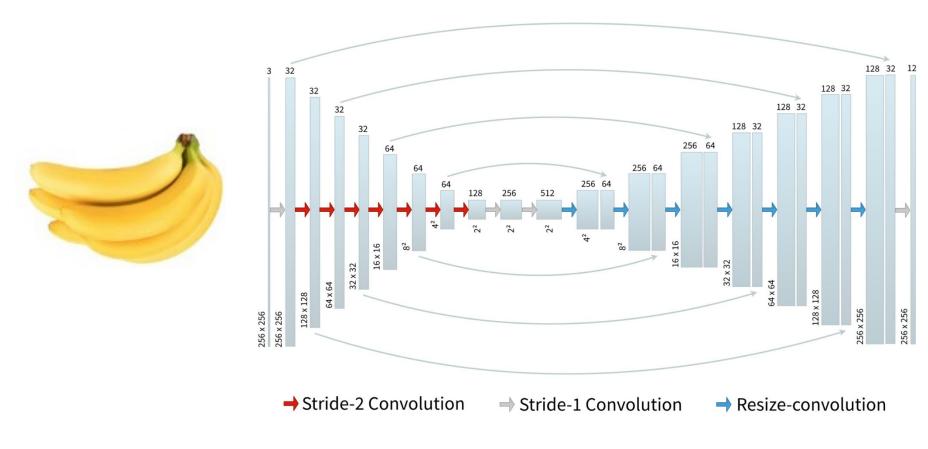
- A selection of methods:
- Direct Instrinsics, Narihira et al., 2015
- Learning Data-driven Reflectance Priors for Intrinsic Image Decomposition, Zhou et al., 2015
- Decomposing Single Images for Layered Photo Retouching, Innamorati et al. 2017







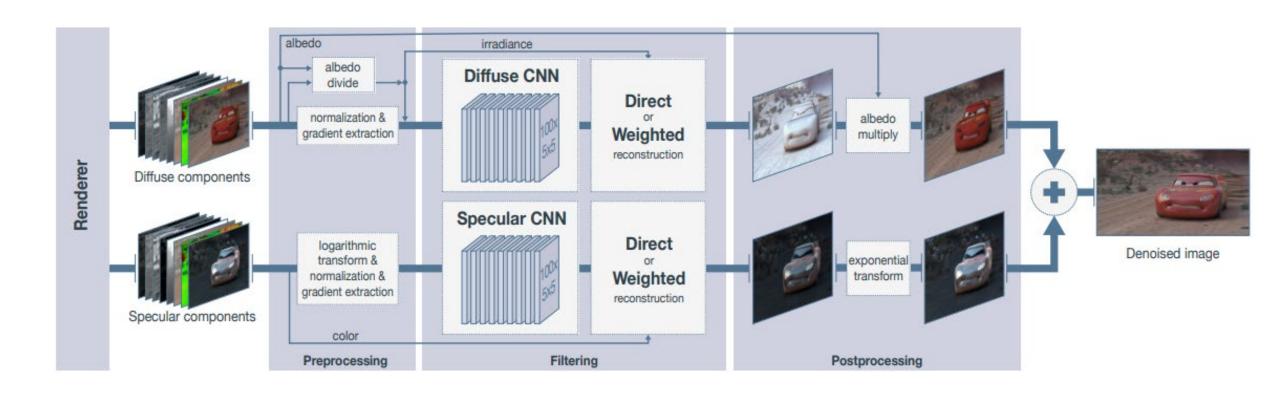
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### **Example Application: Denoising**



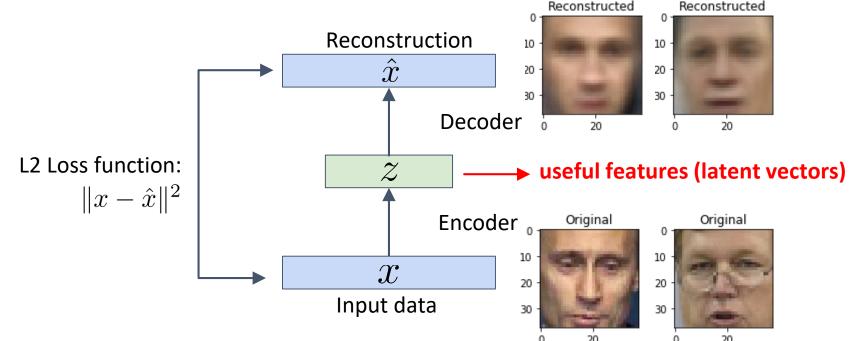


# **Deep Features**



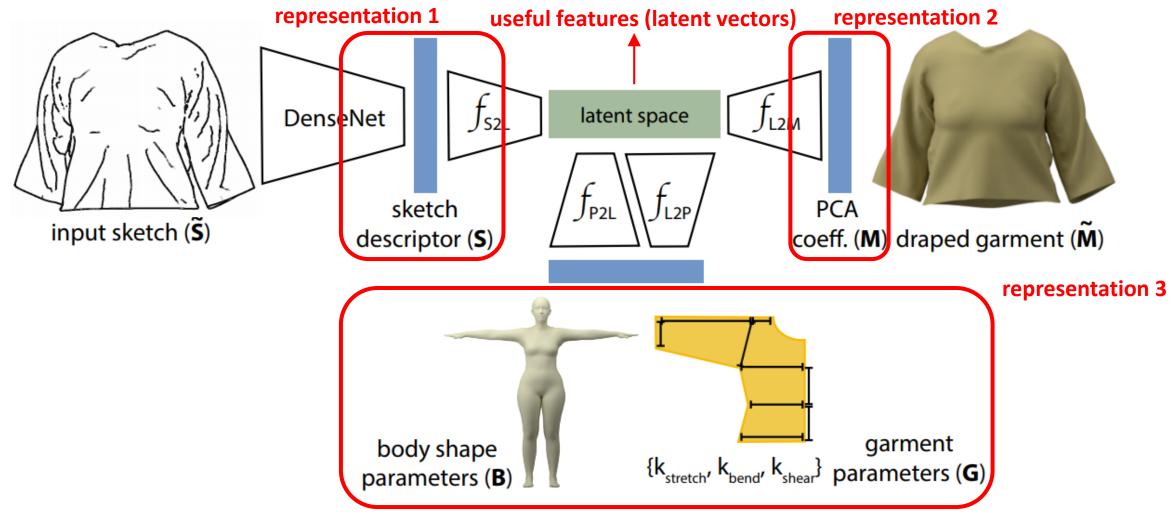
#### **Autoencoders**

- Features learned by deep networks are useful for a large range of tasks.
- An autoencoder is a simple way to obtain these features.
- Does not require additional supervision.



Manash Kumar Mandal, Implementing PCA, Feedforward and Convolutional Autoencoders and using it for Image Reconstruction, Retrieval & Compression, https://blog.manash.me/

#### **Shared Feature Space: Interactive Garments**



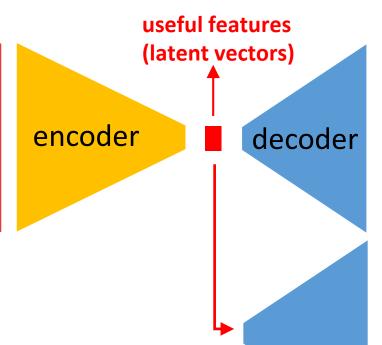


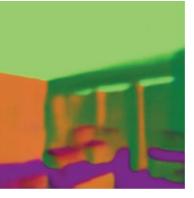
#### **Transfer Learning**

Features extracted by well-trained CNNs often generalize beyond the task

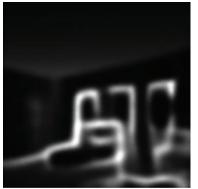
they were trained on

input image





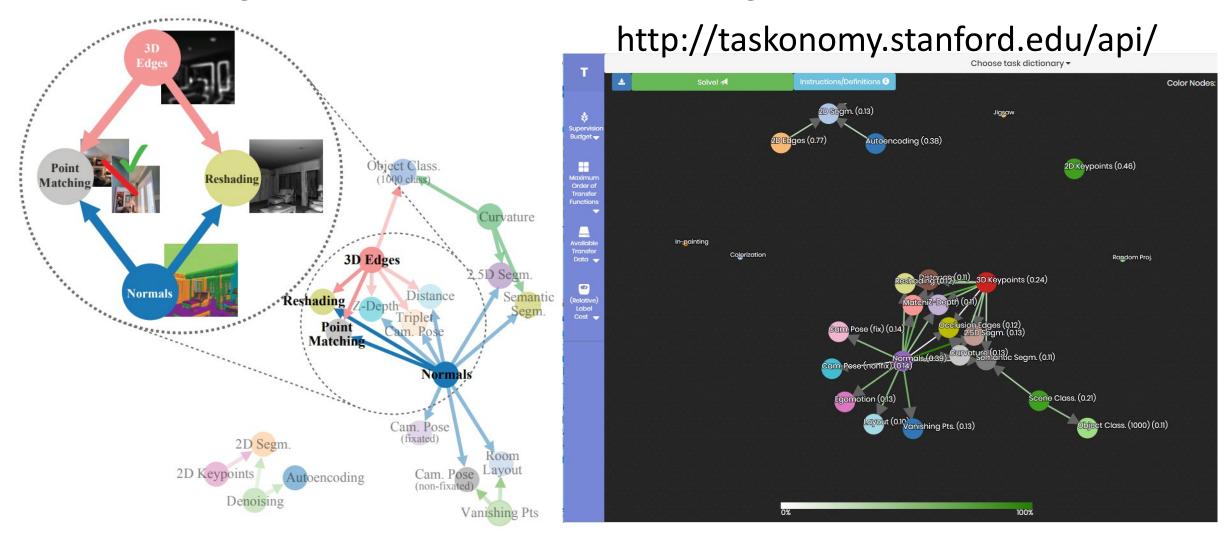
original task (normals)



new task (edges)



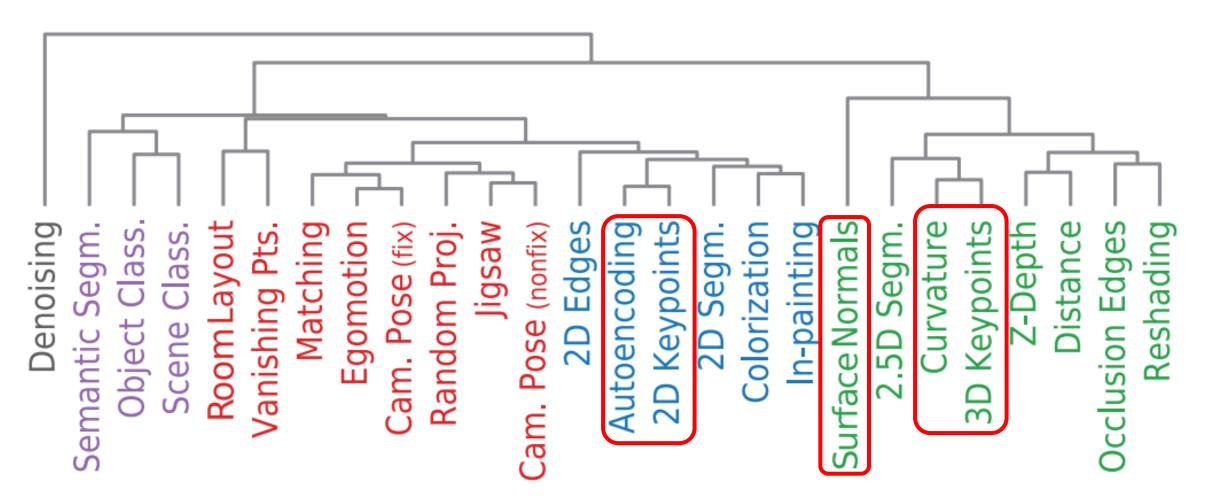
#### **Taxonomy of Tasks: Taskonomy**





Images from: Zamir et al., Taskonomy: Disentangling Task Transfer Learning, CVPR 2018

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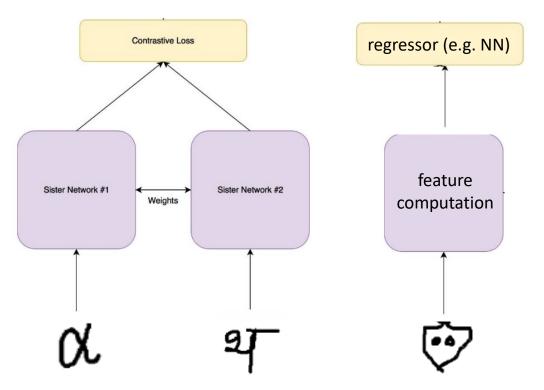


#### Few-shot, One-shot Learning

- With a good feature space, tasks become easier
- In classification, for example, nearest neighbors might already be good enough
- Often trained with a Siamese network, to optimize the metric in feature space

Feature training: lots of examples from class subset A

One-shot: train regressor with one example of each class in class subset B





https://hackernoon.com/one-shot-learning-with-siamese-networks-in-pytorch-8ddaab10340e

#### **Style Transfer**

Combine content from image A with style from image B











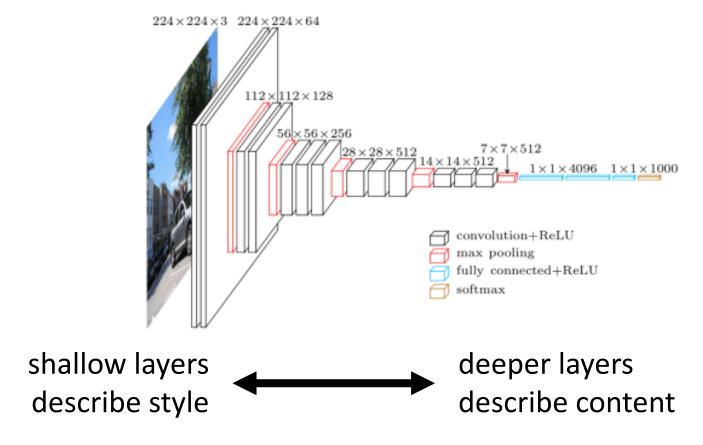


Images from: Gatys et al., Image Style Transfer using Convolutional Neural Networks, CVPR 2016

#### What is Style and Content?

Remember that features in a CNN often generalize well.

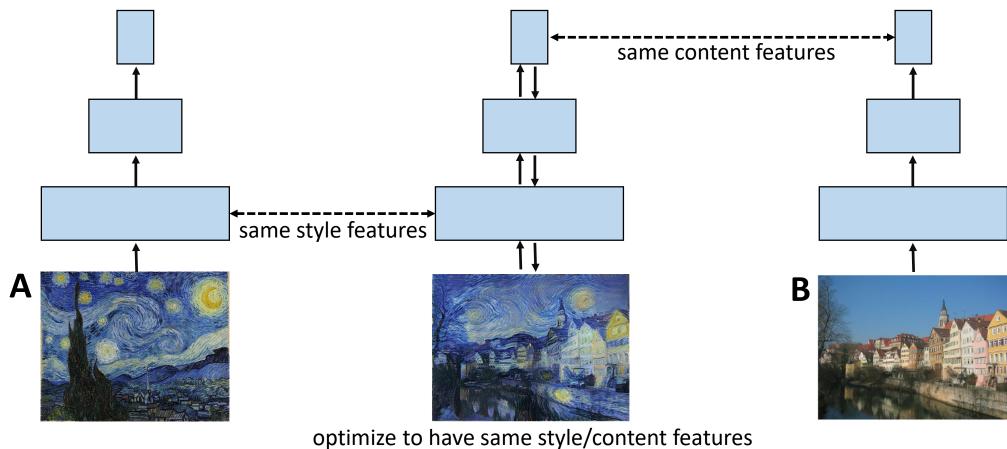
Define style and content using the layers of a CNN (VGG19 for example):





#### **Optimize for Style A and Content B**

same pre-trained networks, fix weights





#### **Style Transfer: Follow-Ups**

#### more control over the result



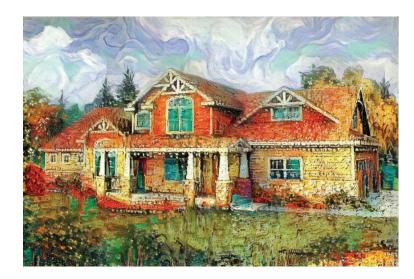




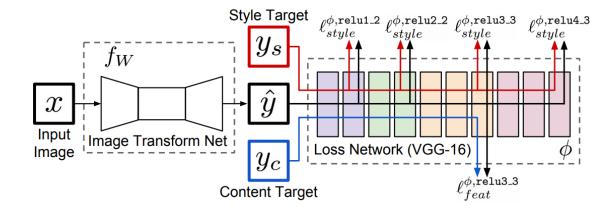
(a) Content

(b) Style I

(c) Style II



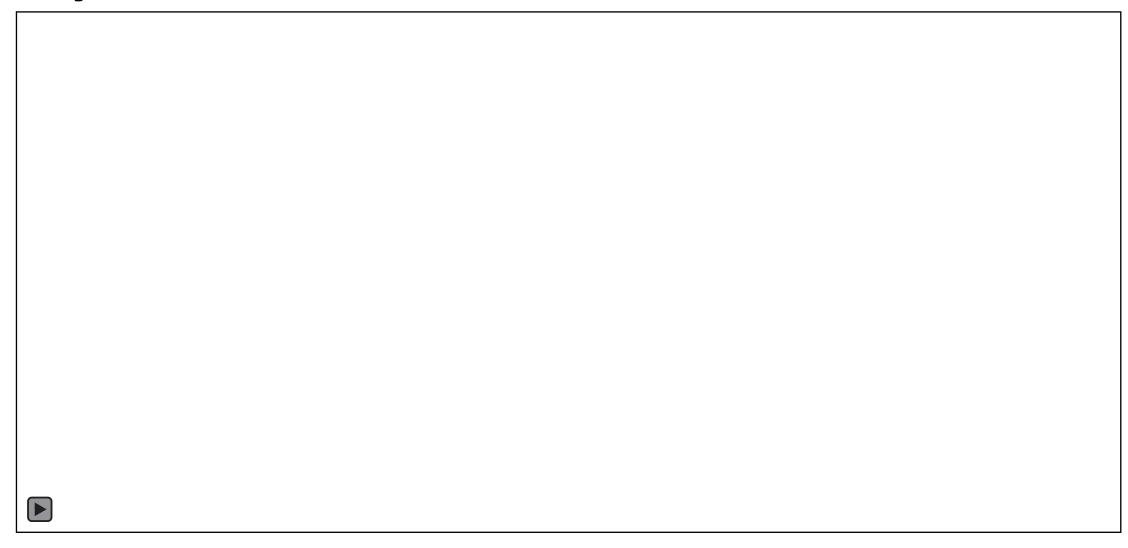
#### feed-forward networks





Images from: Gatys, et al., Controlling Perceptual Factors in Neural Style Transfer, CVPR 2017 Johnson et al., Perceptual Losses for Real-Time Style Transfer and Super-Resolution, ECCV 2016

## **Style Transfer for Videos**





# **Adversarial Image Generation**



#### **Generative Adversarial Networks**

➤ Player 1: generator

Scores if discriminator can't distinguish output from real image





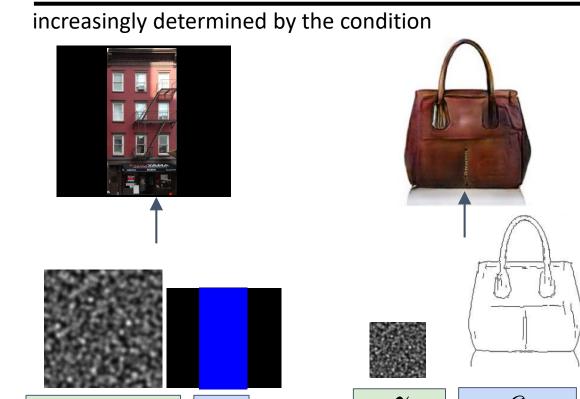
from dataset

Player 2: discriminator → real/fake Scores if it can distinguish between real and fake

#### **GANs to CGANs (Conditional GANs)**

GAN CGAN







Karras et al., Progressive Growing of GANs for Improved Quality, Stability, and Variation, ICLR 2018
Kelly and Guerrero et al., FrankenGAN: Guided Detail Synthesis for Building Mass Models using Style-Synchonized GANs, Siggraph Asia 2018
Isola et al., Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Nets, CVPR 2017

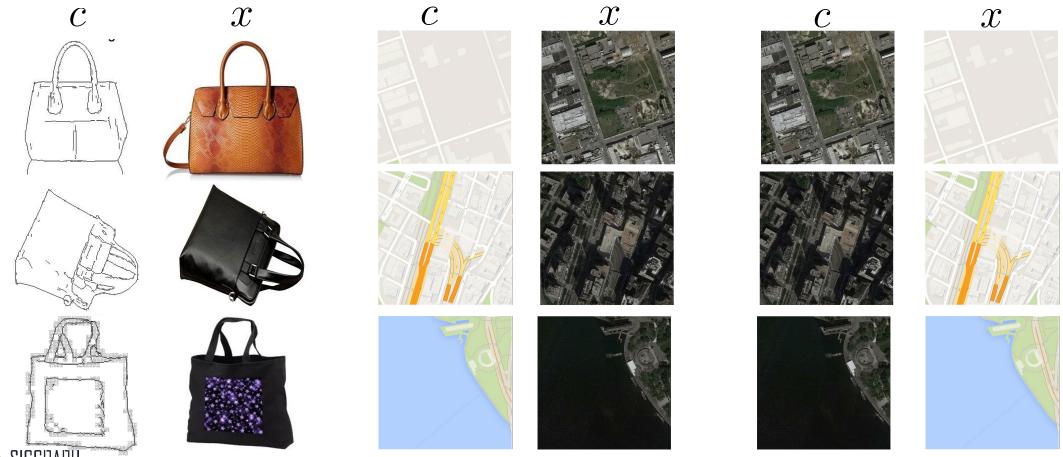
Image Credit: Zhu et al. , *Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation using Cycle-Consistent Adversarial Networks* , ICCV 2017



#### **Image-to-image Translation**

• ≈ learn a mapping between images from example pairs

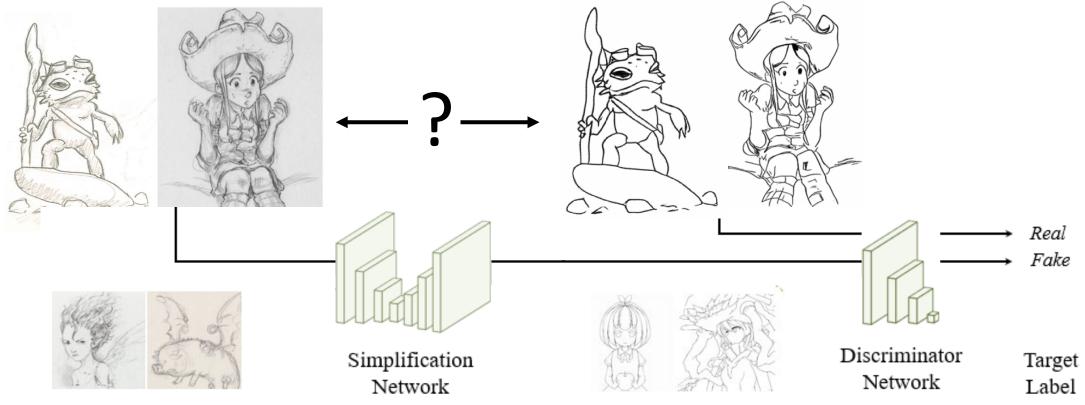
• Approximate sampling from a conditional distribution  $p_{\mathrm{data}}(x \mid c)$ 



#### Adversarial Loss vs. Manual Loss

Problem: A good loss function is often hard to find

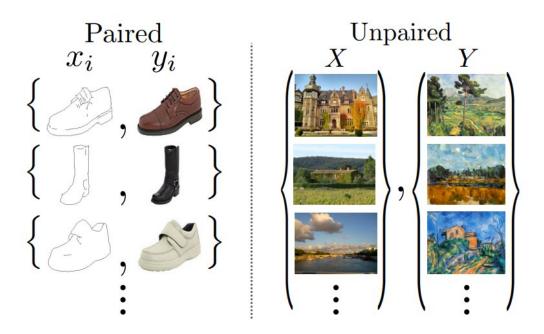
Idea: Train a network to discriminate between network output and ground truth

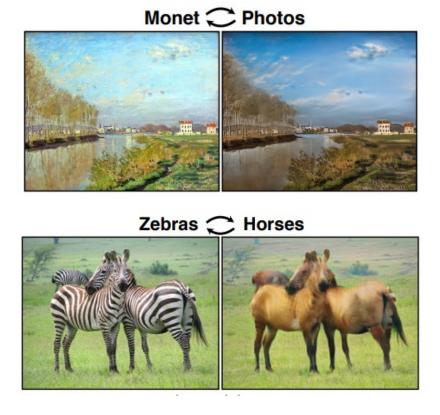




#### **CycleGANs**

- Less supervision than CGANs: mapping between unpaired datasets
- Two GANs + cycle consistency

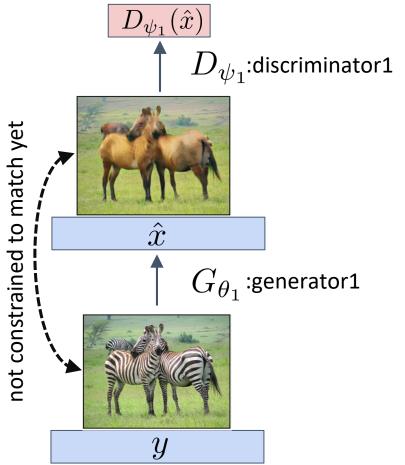


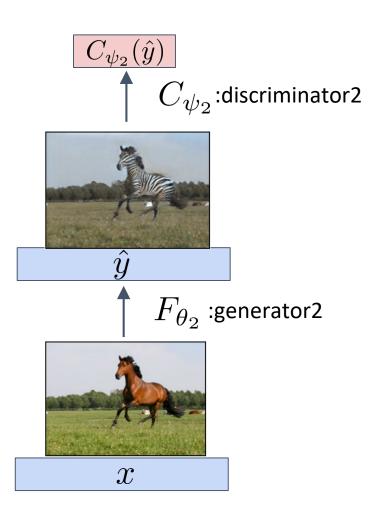




#### CycleGAN: Two GANs ...

• Not conditional, so this alone does not constrain generator input and output to match





### CycleGAN: ... and Cycle Consistency

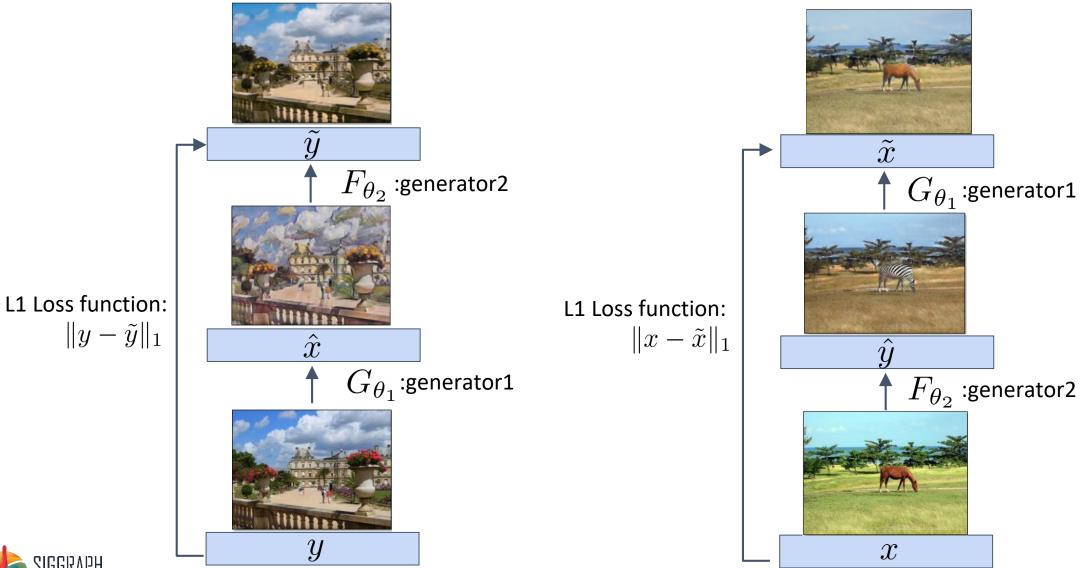
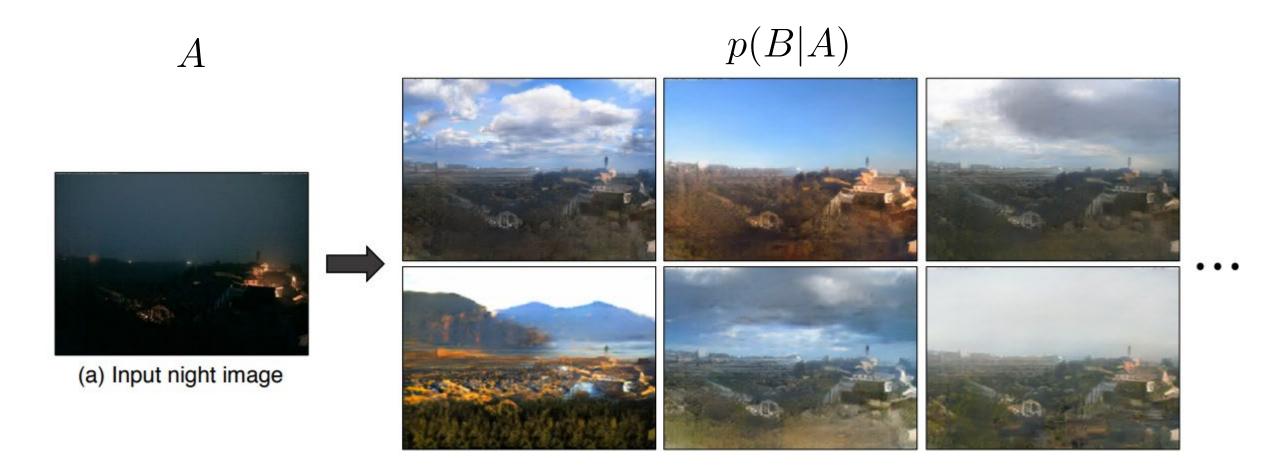




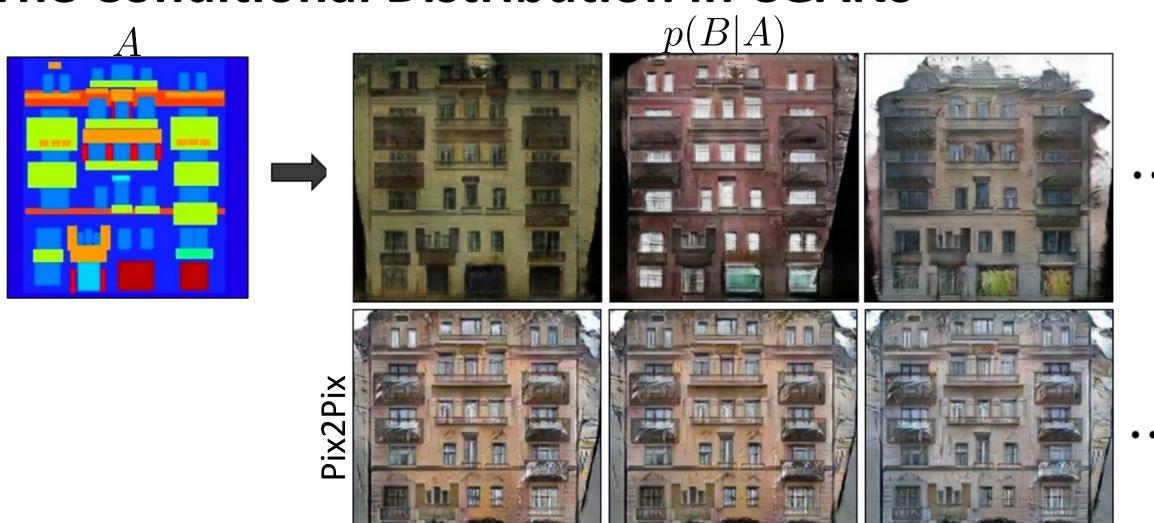
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#### The Conditional Distribution in CGANs





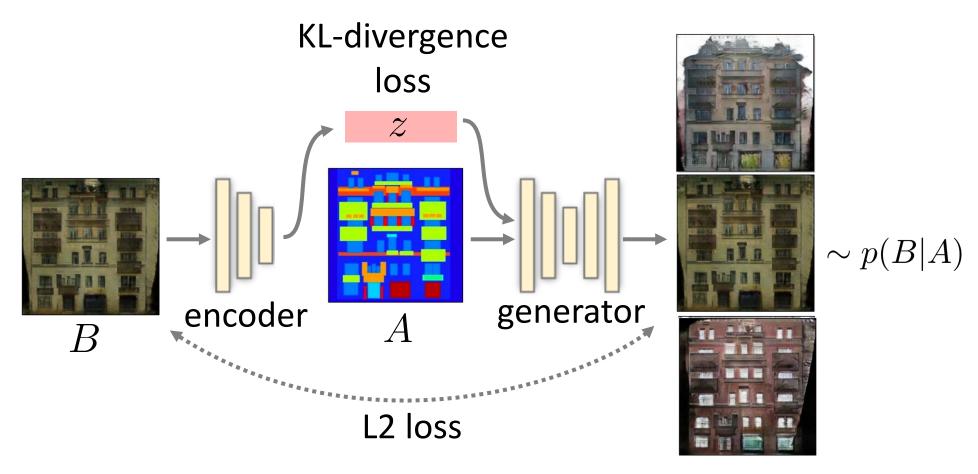
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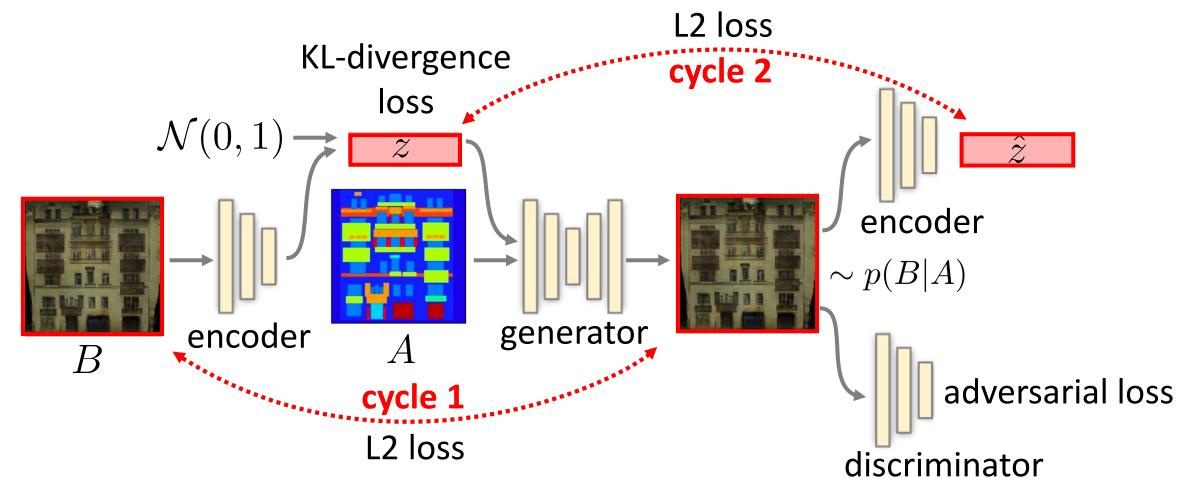
Zhu et al., Toward Multimodal Image-to-Image Translation, NIPS 2017

# **BicycleGAN**



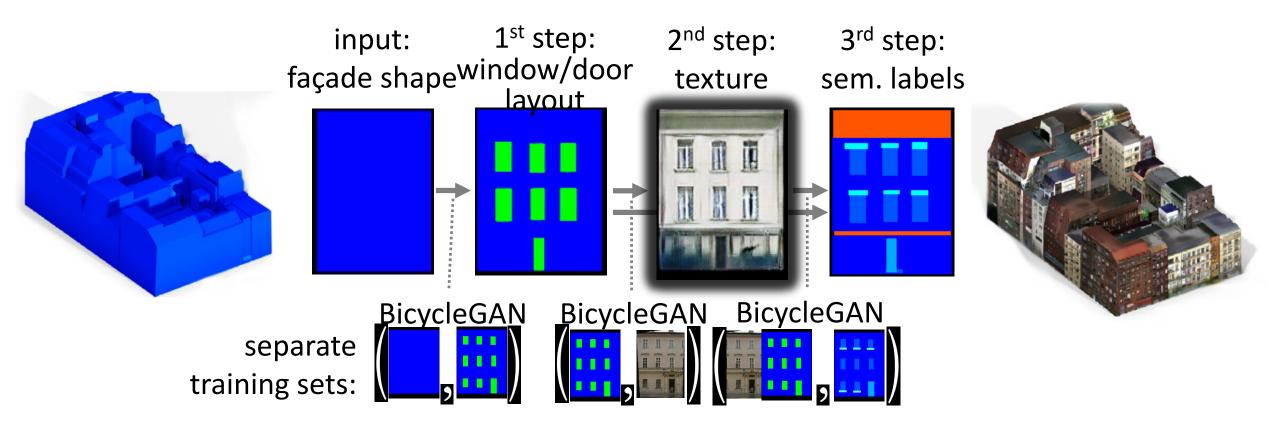


# **BicycleGAN**





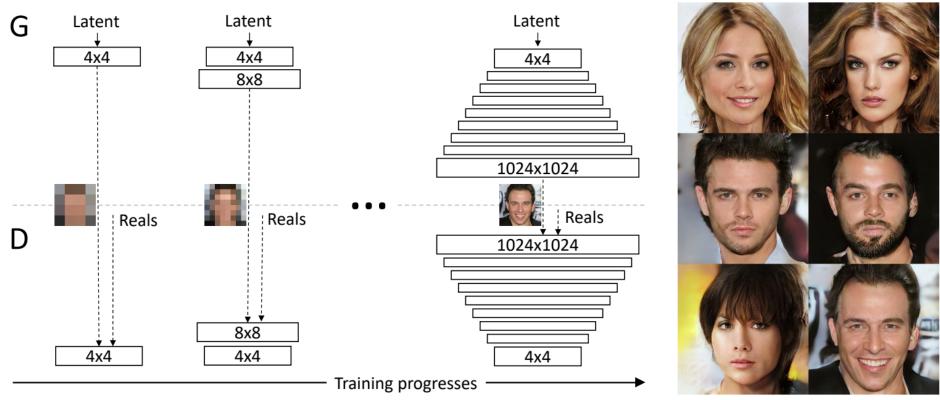
### **FrankenGAN**





## **Progressive GAN**

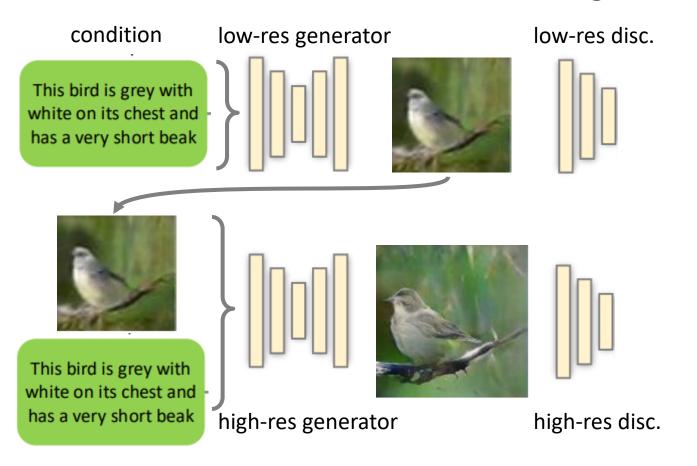
- Resolution is increased progressively during training
- Also other tricks like using minibatch statistics and normalizing feature vectors





### **StackGAN**

#### Condition does not have to be an image



This flower has white petals with a yellow tip and a yellow pistil



A large bird has large thighs and large wings that have white wingbars





## Disentanglement

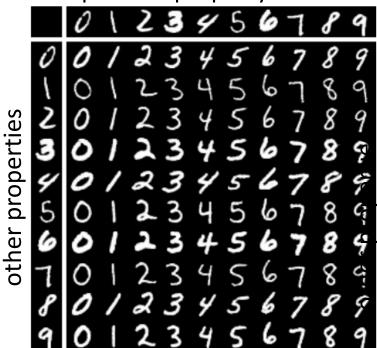
z

 $z_a z_b \cdots$ 

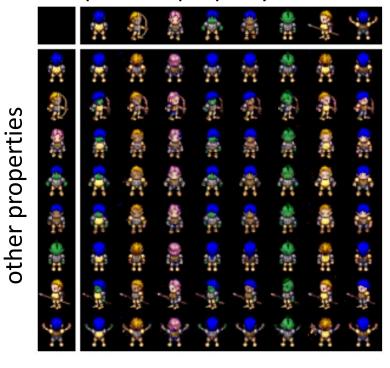
Entangled: different properties may be mixed up over all dimensions

Disentangled: different properties are in different dimensions

specified property: number



specified property: character



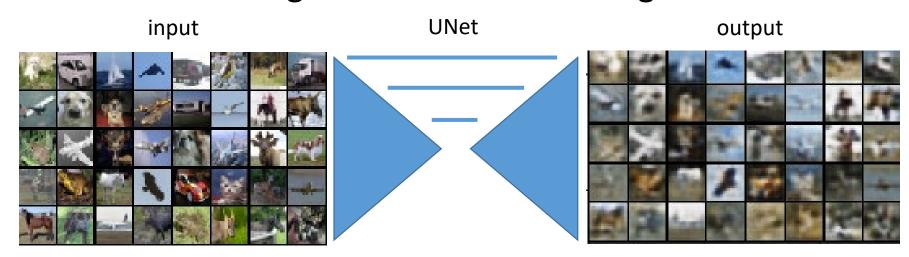


# **Attention and Gray Box Learning**



## **Attention in Deep Learning**

target: horizontal mirroring



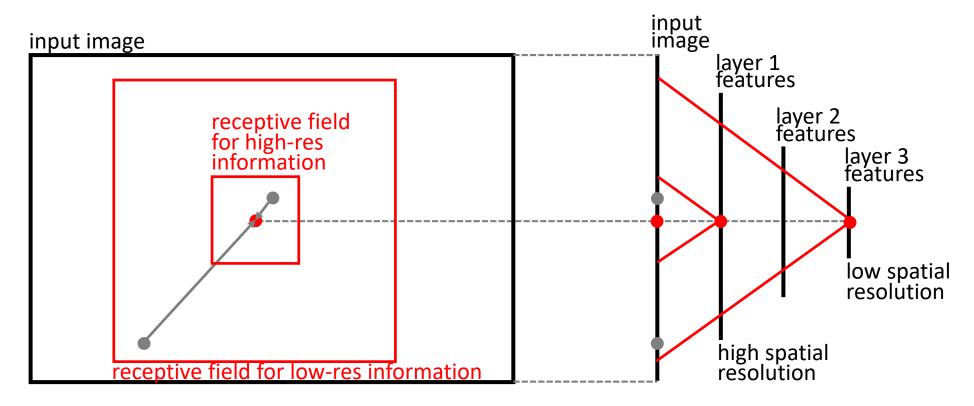
Why is this hard for the network?

- 1) Locality of convolutions
- Driven only by data from shallower layers (no semantics)



## **Attention in Deep Learning**

**Problem: architecture constrains information flow.** For example, in a typical CNN, at a given image location (red), information about other image locations (grey) is available in a resolution that depends on the spatial distance.

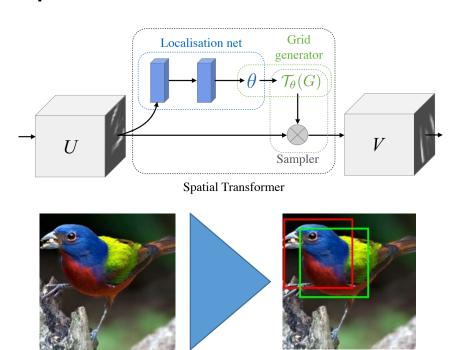




### **Attention Based on Semantics**

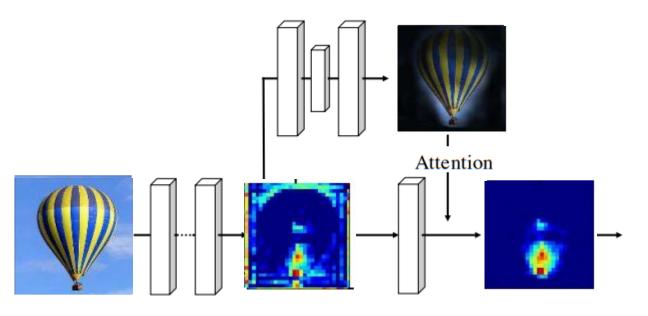
Idea: use higher-level semantics to select relevant information

#### **Spatial Transformer Networks**



Jaderberg et al., Spatial Transformer Networks, NIPS 2015

Residual Attention Network for Image Classification



Wang et al., Residual Attention Network for Image Classification, CVPR 2017



### **Attention to Distant Details**

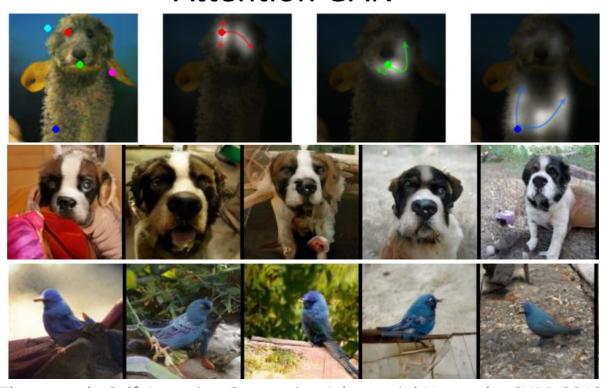
Idea: gather information from distant details based on their features

#### Non-local Neural Networks



Wang et al., Non-local Neural Networks, CVPR 2018

#### **Attention GAN**

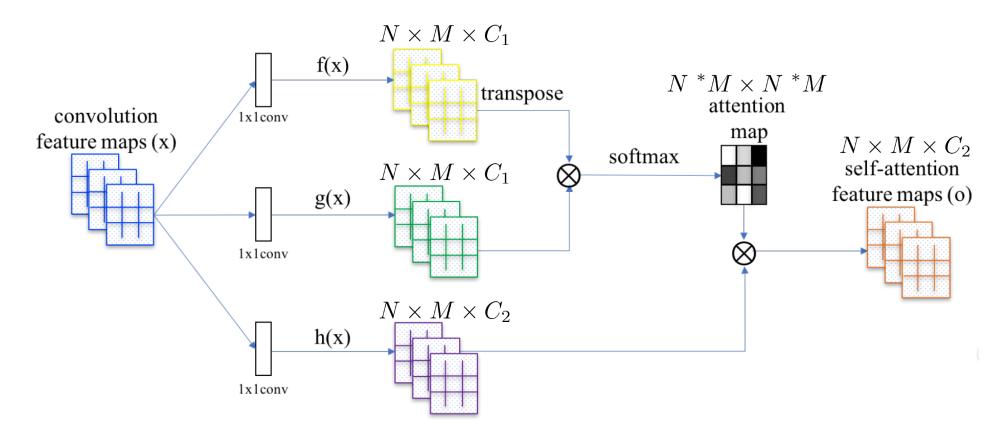


Zhang et al., Self-Attention Generative Adversarial Networks, CVPR 2018



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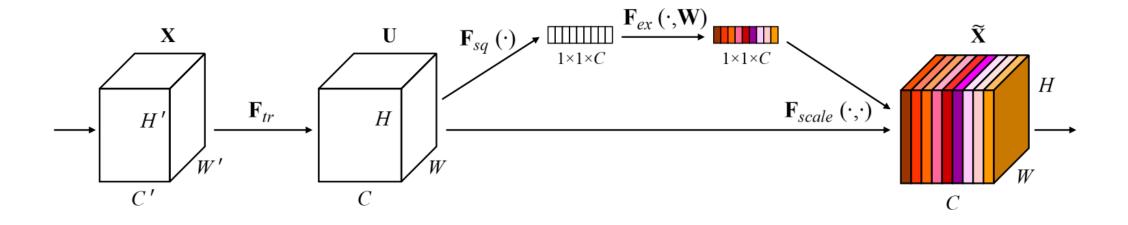




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# Squeeze and Excitation: Attention over Channels

Idea: weigh (emphasize and suppress) channels based on global information

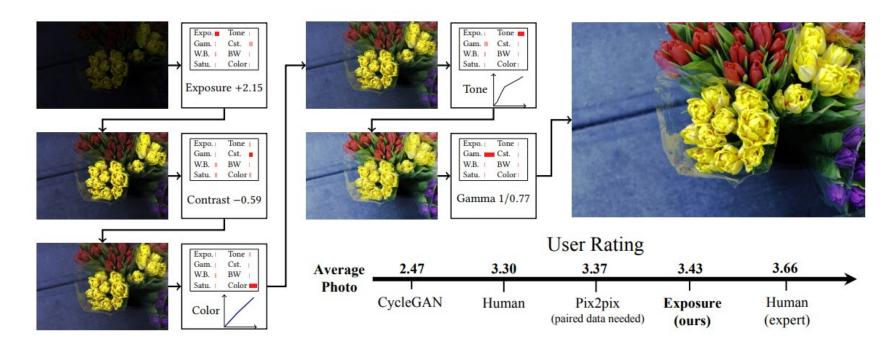




# **Gray Box Learning**

Problem: Most networks are black boxes.

Idea: Regress parameters for a small set of well-known operations.





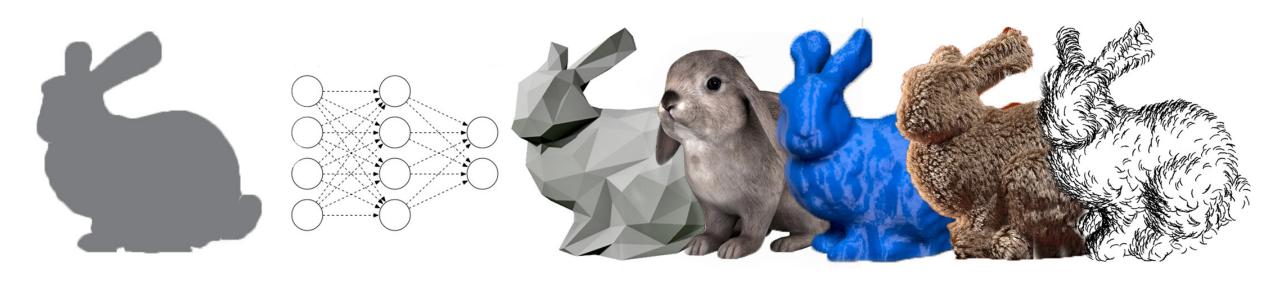
Hu et al., Exposure: A White-Box Photo Post-Processing Framework, Siggraph 2018

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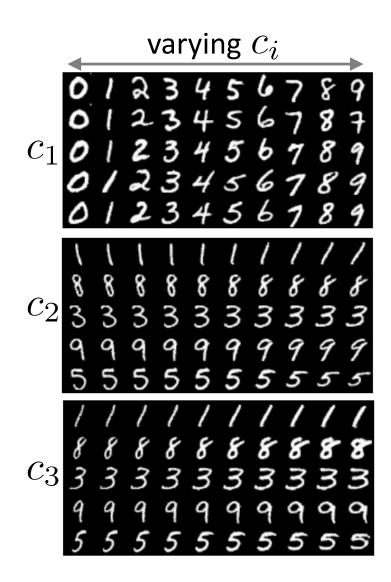


http://geometry.cs.ucl.ac.uk/creativeai/





### **InfoGAN**



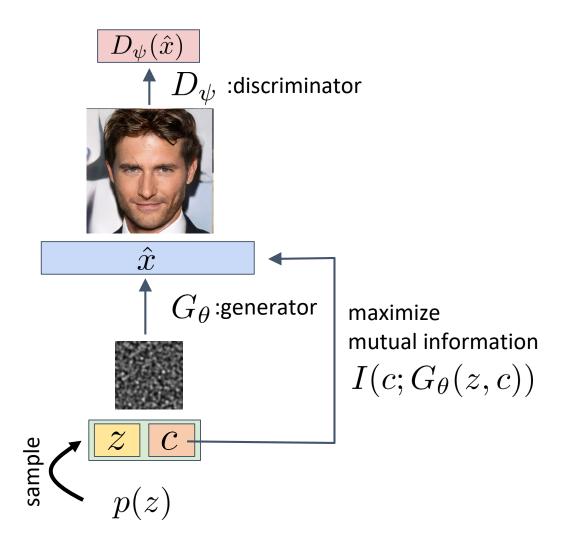


Image Credit: *InfoGAN: Interpretable Representation Learning by Information Maximizing Generative Adversarial Nets*, Chen et al.