

GeneGAN

Learning Object Transfiguration and Attribute
Subspace from Unpaired Data

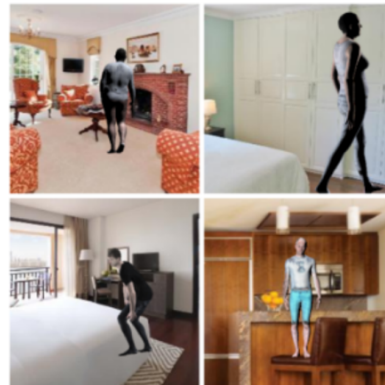
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Conditional Image Generation

- Applications: Image Editing, Training Data Synthesis
- Photo-realistic modeling and rendering are difficult.



3DMM-family methods
<http://cn.arxiv.org/pdf/1612.04904.pdf>

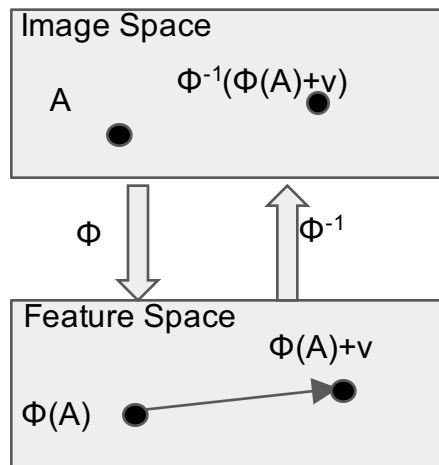


SURREAL dataset (CVPR'17)

Feature Space Transformation



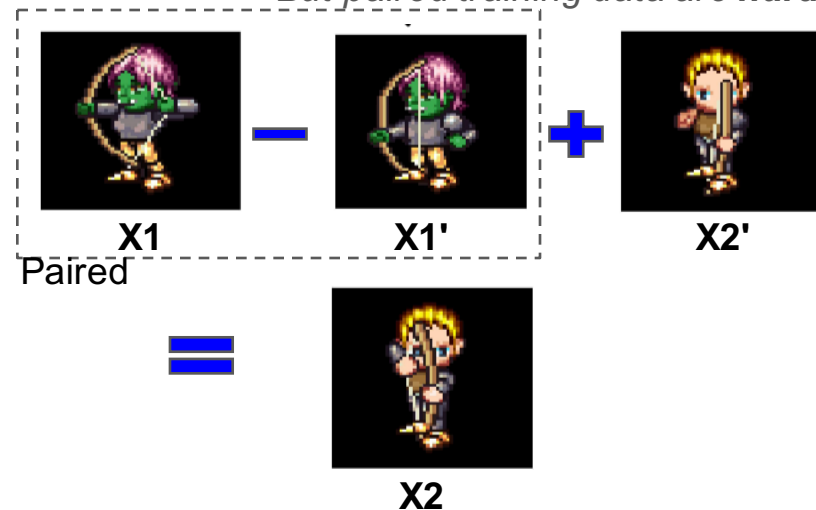
$\Phi^{-1}(\Phi(A))$ $\Phi^{-1}(\Phi(A)+\frac{1}{2}v)$ $\Phi^{-1}(\Phi(A)+v)$
Deep Feature Interpolation (2016)



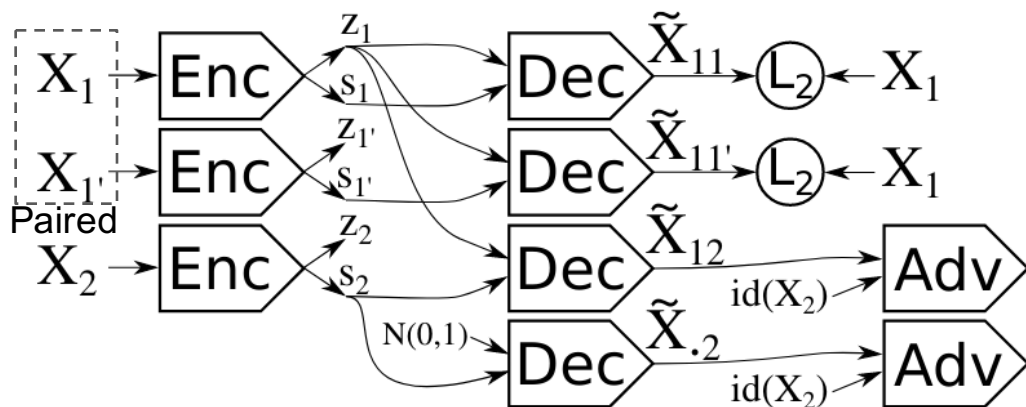
Transformation vector v as difference between feature cluster centers. Diversity limited by the number of clusters.

Generation by Exemplars with Paired Training Data

- Using a pair of image for specifying the transformation
 - Increase diversity.
 - *But paired training data are hard to collect*



Deep Visual Analogy-Making, NIPS'15



Disentangling Factors of Variation, NIPS'16
 X_1 and $X_{1'}$ are required to have the same label, i.e., $s_1 == s_{1'}$.

Feature Space Interpolation Methods

	Generation by Exemplar	Unpaired Training data	Exploits Cyclic Loss
Deep Feature Interpolation	✗	✓	✗
InfoGAN	✗	✓	✗
Visual Analogy-Making	✓	✗	✗
Disentangling Factors of Variation	✓	✗	✓
CycleGAN	✗	✓	✓
GeneGAN	✓	✓	✓

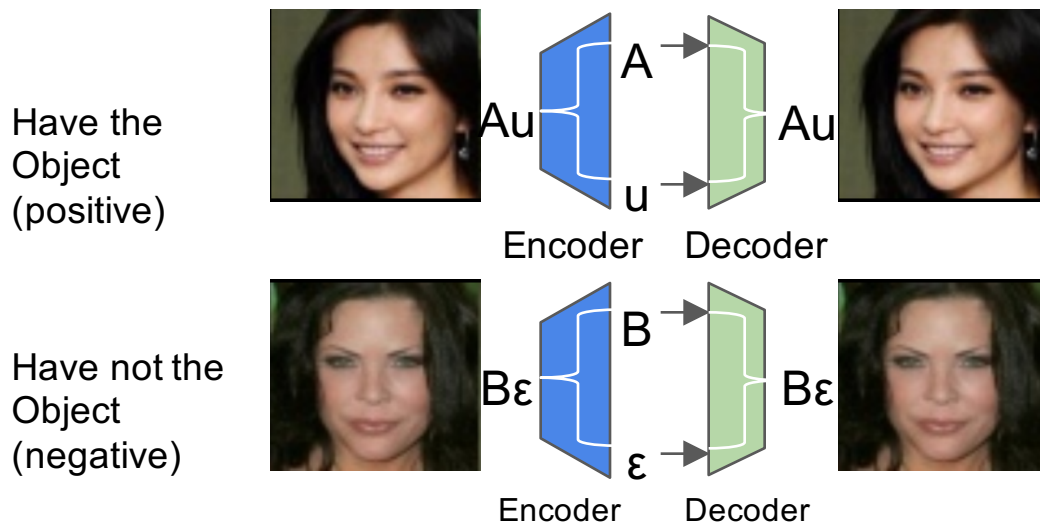
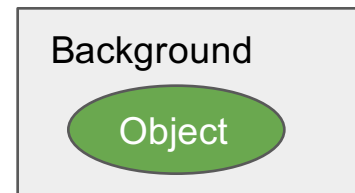
GeneGAN Training Data

- A positive set and a negative set
 - need not be paired

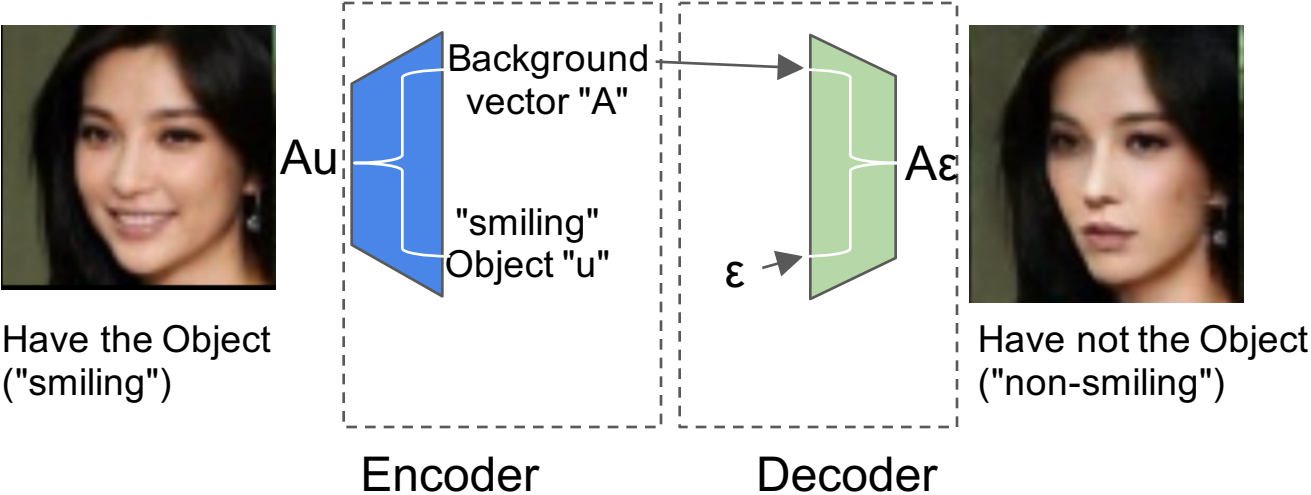
	Glasses	Hair	Lighting	Smiling
Positive	Eyeglass/sun glasses	Bangs	Side/Up/Down	Smiling
Negative	No glasses	Bald/Receding Hairline	Frontal lighting	Not smiling

GeneGAN components: Encoder and Decoder

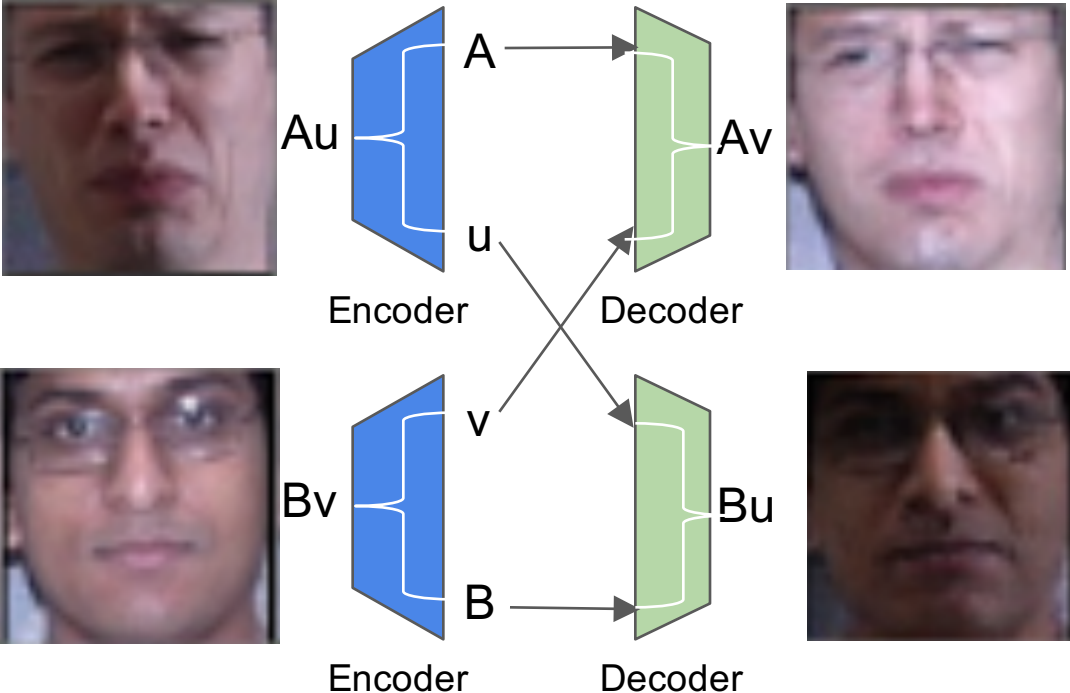
- Encoder: disentangle the object (smiling) from the background (face). Object can be abstract.
- Decoder: inverse of Encoder



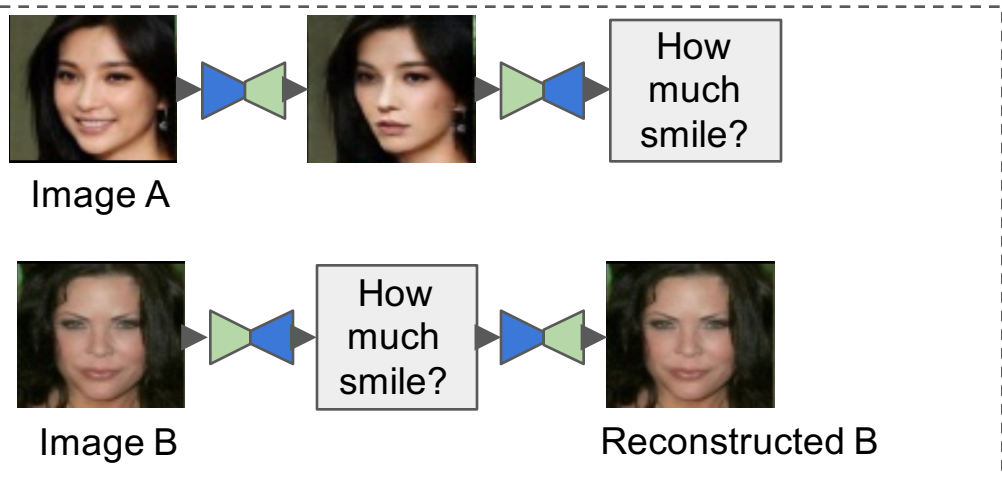
GeneGAN Usage: Object Removal



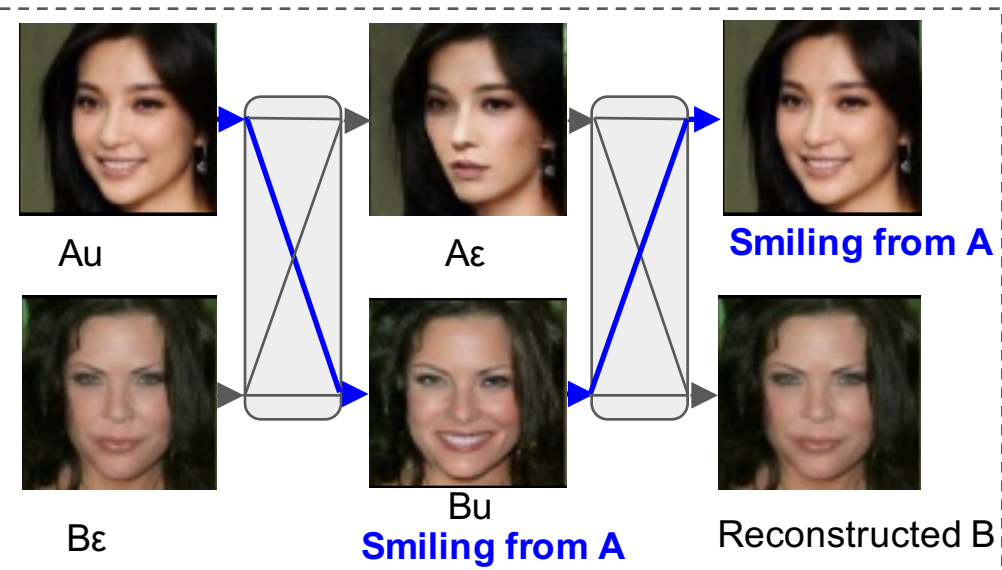
GeneGAN Usage: Swapping Objects



Underdetermined CycleGAN pattern

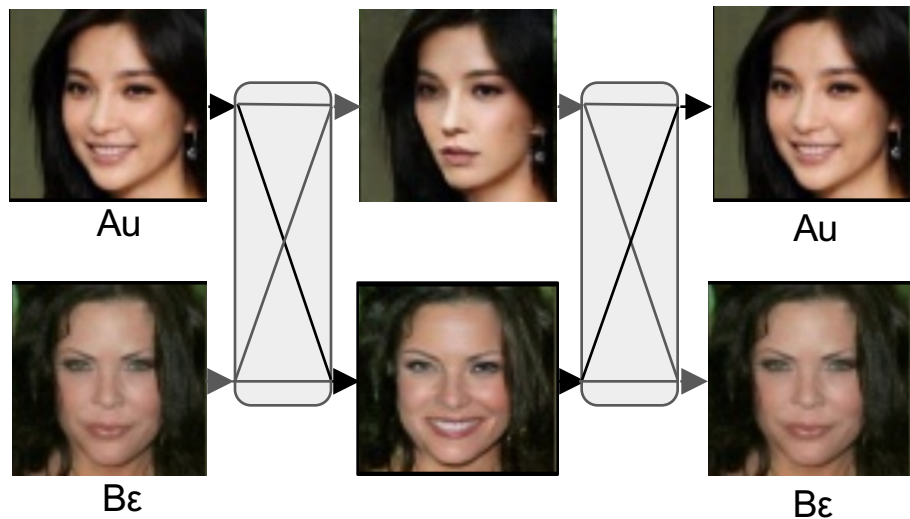


Information Preserving GeneGAN pattern

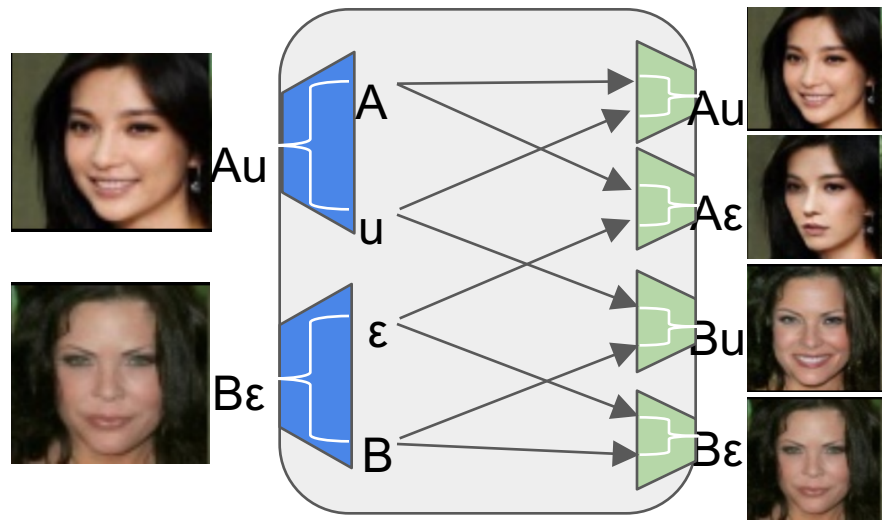


Shorten the Cycle to help Training

- Lift the grandchildren to be children

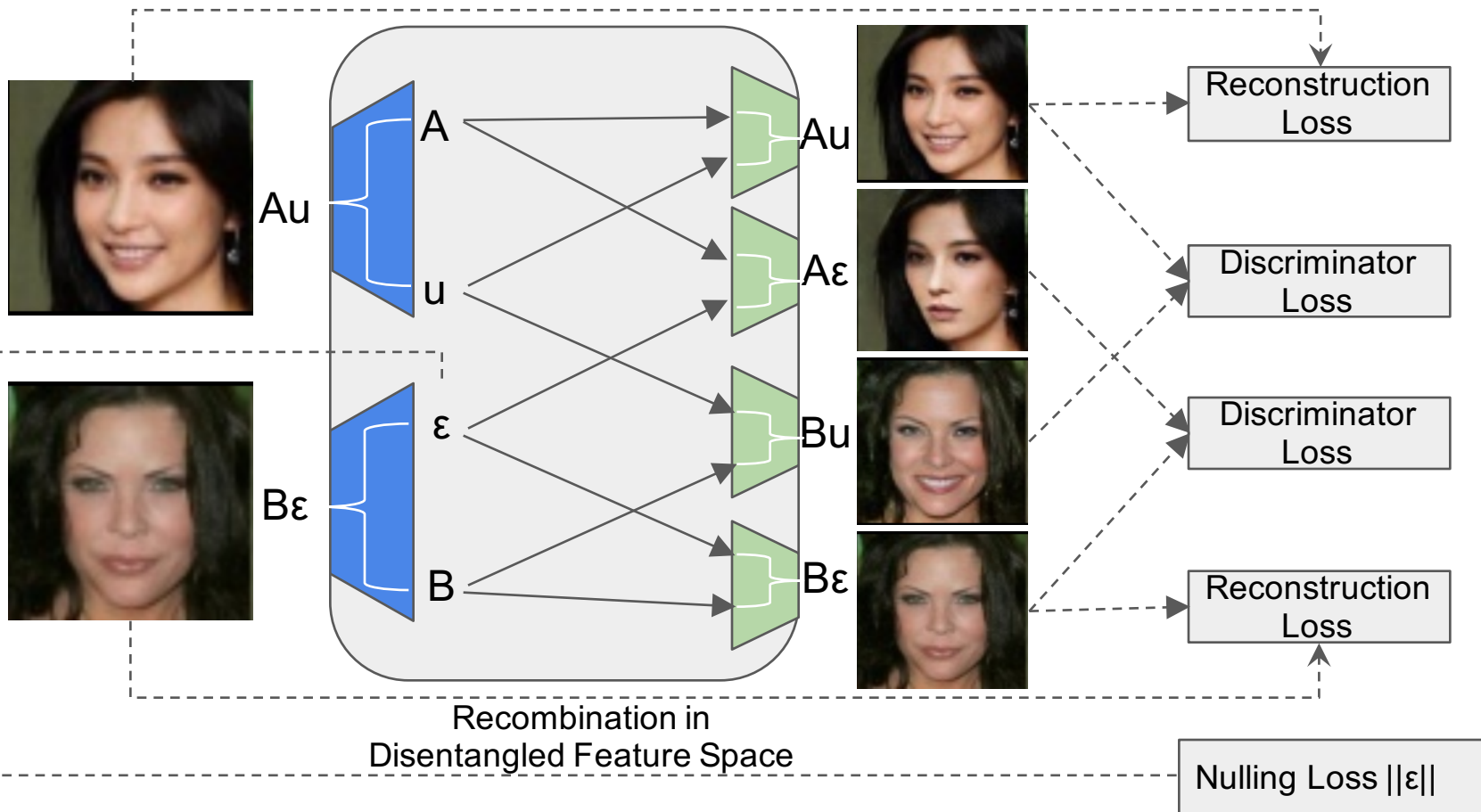


Two generations



Only one "generation", less distortions.

GeneGAN Training Diagram

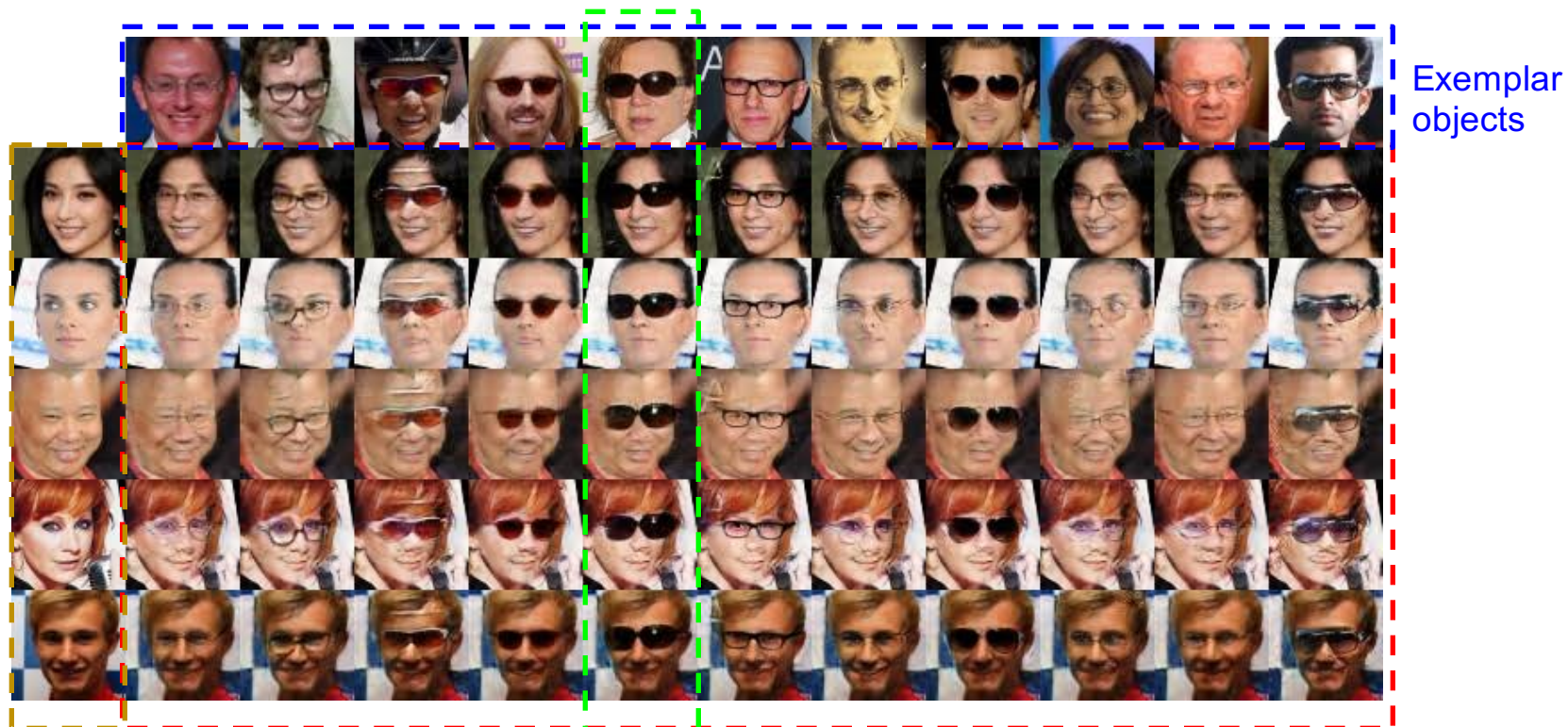


Mechanism

- Constraints

- Discriminator loss used in Adversarial Training
 - The background output of encoder will not contain smiling information, as "B ϵ " is not smiling
 - "u" contains the smiling information. As "Bu" is smiling.
- Nulling loss
 - the object output of encoder will not contain background information, as " ϵ " can replace it without problem.
- Reconstruction loss
 - Decoder and Encoder are inverse to each other
 - "A" contains background information, as Decoder can recreate "Au" from "A" and "u"

Experiments: Diversity from Exemplars



Exemplar
backgrounds

The same
sunglasses

Novel instances

Swapping Attributes: Diversity of Smiles



Can tell a smile by the mouth, and sometimes by eyes.

Object Subspace

- Multidimensional representation of hair



Interpolation in Object Subspace

Check the directions of the hairs.



Bi-linearly interpolated



Conclusion & Future Work

- Disentangle the factors in feature space
 - Feature space = object space + background space
- Only require unpaired training data
 - Two unpaired image: positive and negative
- Usage cases
 - For single input, can output disentangled object code and background code.
 - For two inputs that both contain objects, can swap the objects in them. The objects can be null.
 - Can interpolate the objects in feature space.
- Future work
 - Investigate whether more complex crossbreeding patterns between more parents would allow further improvements

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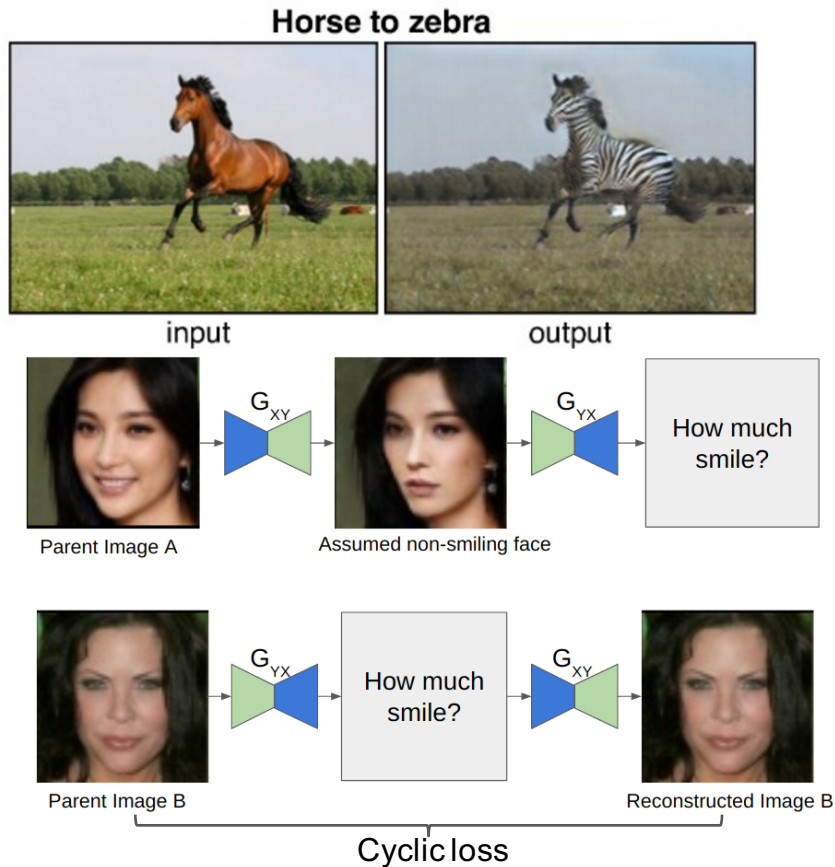
More in the paper.

Backup after this slide

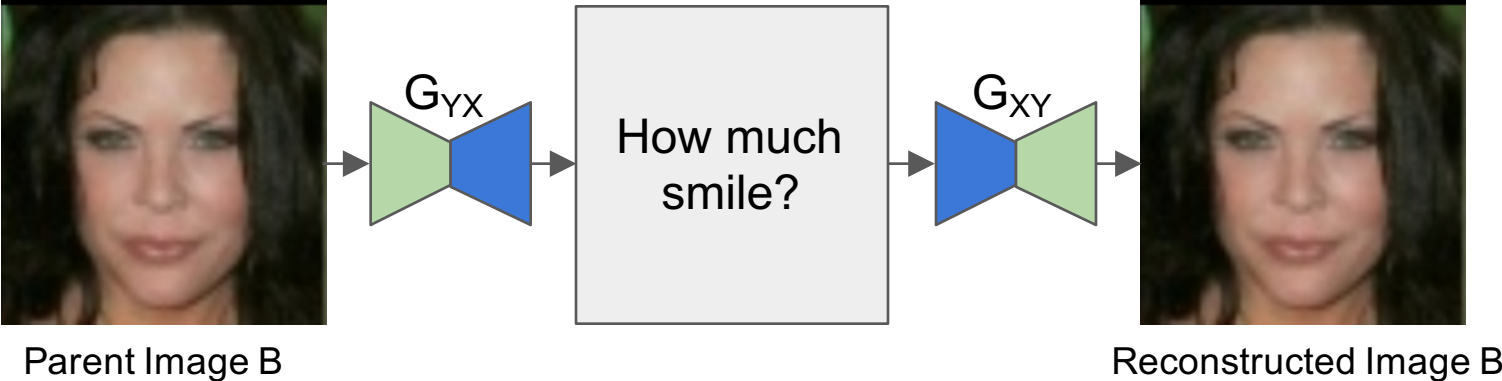
Github: <https://github.com/Prinsphield/GeneGAN>

CycleGAN/DiscoGAN and Object Transfiguration

- Pros
 - Learn from Unpaired Data
 - Exploits Cyclic loss to stabilize training
- Cons
 - Backgrounds change when transforming objects
 - Under-determination problem
 - non-smiling is well defined. But smiling's have different levels and styles.



Underdetermination Problem



Parallelogram loss

