Lecture 11: Neural networks for Prediction - II

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Outline

- Visualizing sensitivities: Network inputs
- Case Study
 - Adversarial examples
 - DeepDreams
 - Neural texture synthesis and style transfer

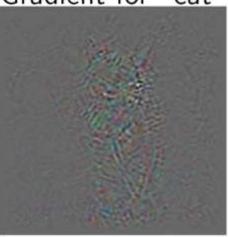
Visualizing input gradient

■ Take a trained object classification network (AlexNet) and compute the gradient of $\log P(y = \text{``cat''}|\mathbf{x})$

Original image



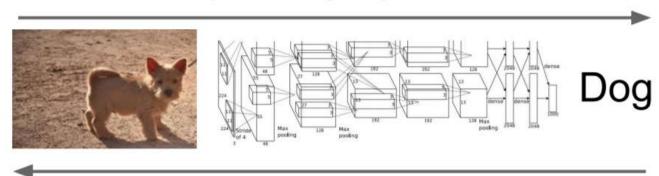
Gradient for "cat"



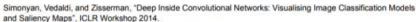
Visualizing input gradient

 Take a trained object classification network (AlexNet) and compute the gradient of class score

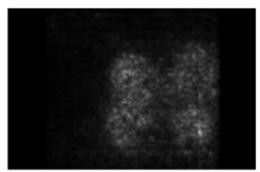
Forward pass: Compute probabilities



Compute gradient of (unnormalized) class score with respect to image pixels, take absolute value and max over RGB channels



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Synthesizing input images

 Gradient ascent on an image to maximize the activation of a given neuron

(Guided) backprop:

Find the part of an image that a neuron responds to

Gradient ascent:

Generate a synthetic image that maximally activates a neuron

$$I^* = \arg \max_{I} f(I) + R(I)$$
Neuron value Natural image regularizer

Synthesizing input images

Dataset examples vs. optimized input

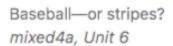






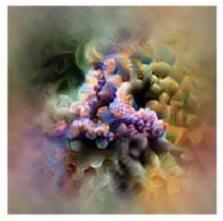








Animal faces—or snouts? mixed4a, Unit 240



Clouds—or fluffiness? mixed4a, Unit 453



Buildings—or sky? mixed4a, Unit 492



Feature inversion

Given a CNN feature vector for an image, find a new image that:

- Matches the given feature vector
- "looks natural" (image prior regularization)

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}} \ell(\Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi_0) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})$$
 Features of new image
$$\ell(\Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi_0) = \|\Phi(\mathbf{x}) - \Phi_0\|^2$$

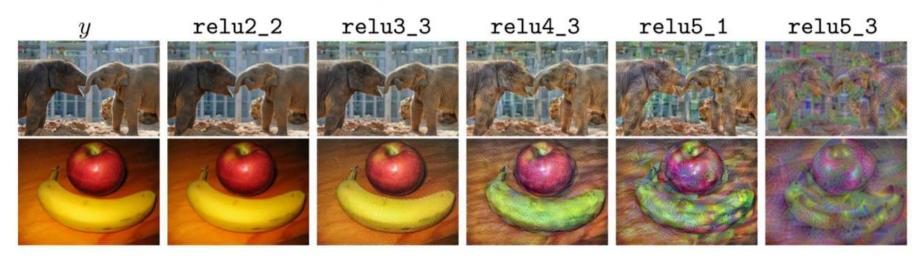
$$\mathcal{R}_{V^\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i,j} \left((x_{i,j+1} - x_{ij})^2 + (x_{i+1,j} - x_{ij})^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}}$$
 Total Variation regularizer (encourages spatial smoothness)

Mahendran and Vedaldi, "Understanding Deep Image Representations by Inverting Them", CVPR 2015

Synthesizing input images

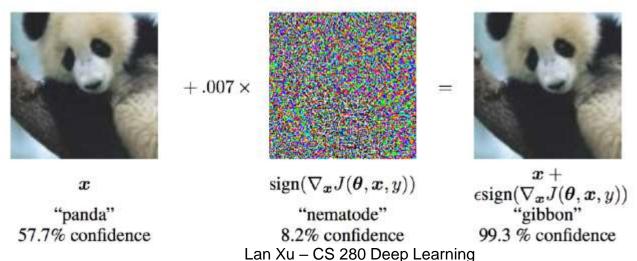
Feature inversion

Reconstructing from different layers of VGG-16

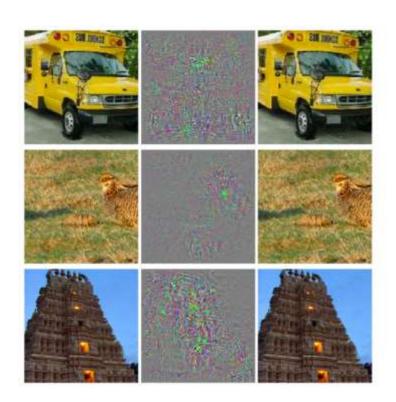


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Figure from Johnson, Alahi, and Fei-Fei, "Perceptual Losses for Real-Time Style Transfer and Super-Resolution", ECCV 2016. Copyright Springer, 2016.
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- Surprising findings: adversarial inputs
 - Inputs optimized to fool an algorithm
- Given an image for one category (e.g., "cat"), compute the input gradient to maximize the network's output for a different category (e.g., "dog")
 - Perturb the image very slightly in this direction and the network will change its prediction
 - □ Fast gradient sign method: take the sign of the entries in the gradient



 The following adversarial examples are misclassified as ostriches (Middle = perturbation x 10)

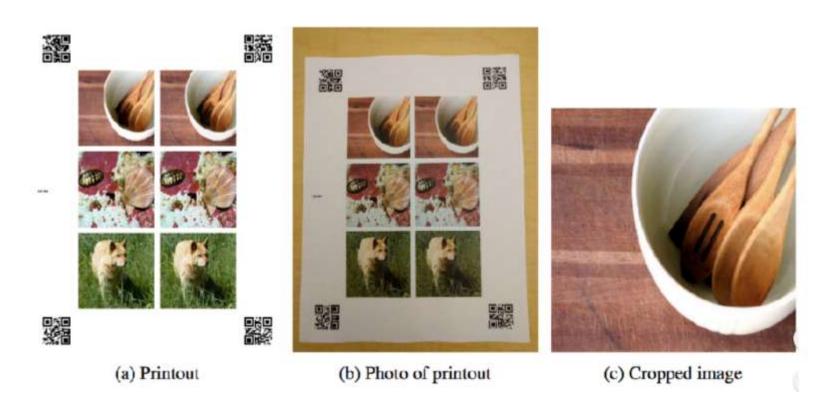




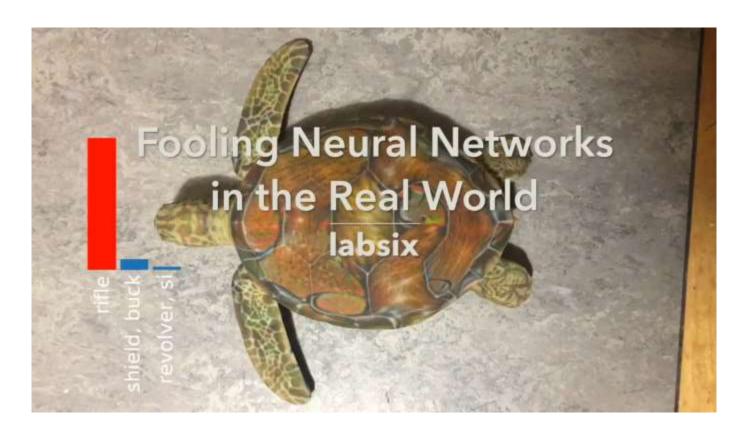


- 2013: ha ha, how cute!
 - □ "Intriguing Properties of Neural Networks"
- 2018: serious security threat
 - Nobody has found a reliable method yet to defend against them
 - 7 of 8 proposed defenses accepted to ICLR 2018 were cracked within days
 - Adversarial examples transfer to different networks trained on a totally separate training set
 - You don't need access to the original network; you can train up a new network to match its predictions, and then construct adversarial examples for that
 - Attack carried out against proprietary classification networks accessed using prediction APIs (MetaMind, Amazon, Google)

You can print out an adversarial image and take a picture of it, and it still works!



- An adversarial example in the physical world
 - □ Network thinks it is a gun from a variety of viewing angles



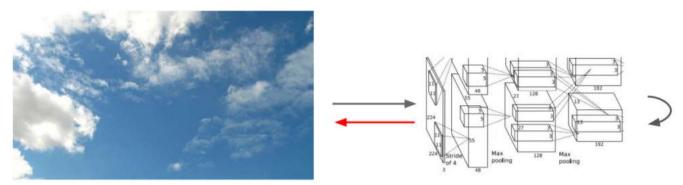


- Start with an image, and run a ConvNet on it.
- Pick a layer in the network.
- Change the image such that units which were already highly activated get activated even more strongly. "Rich get richer."
- Repeat
- This will accentuate whatever features of an image already kind of resemble the object.



Method

Rather than synthesizing an image to maximize a specific neuron, instead try to **amplify** the neuron activations at some layer in the network

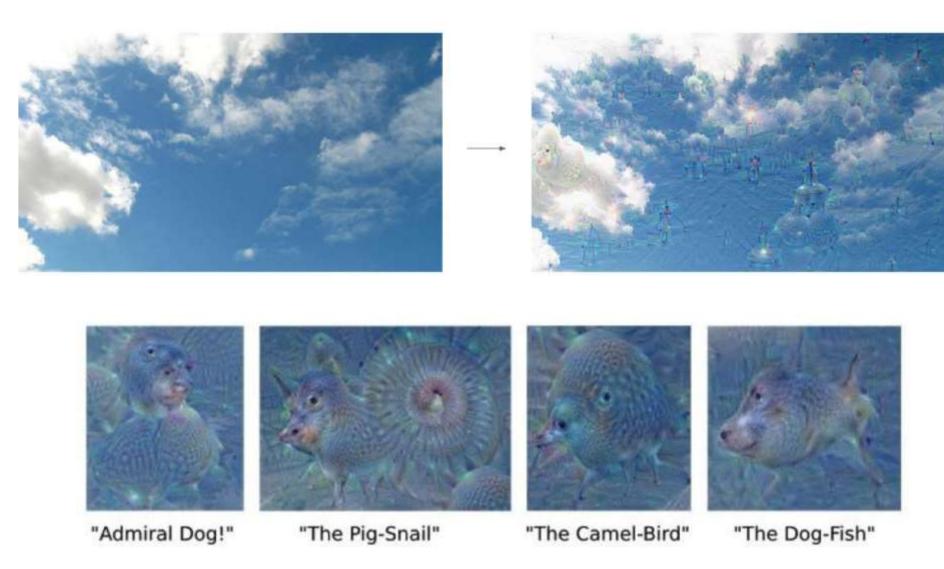


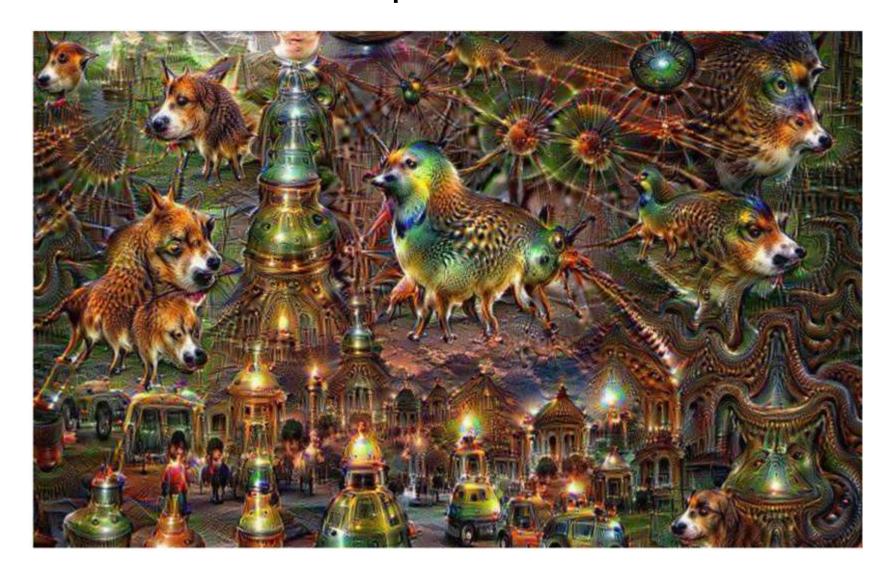
Choose an image and a layer in a CNN; repeat:

- 1. Forward: compute activations at chosen layer
- 2. Set gradient of chosen layer equal to its activation
- Backward: Compute gradient on image
- Update image

Equivalent to: $I^* = \arg \max_{I} \sum_{i} f_i(I)^2$

Mordvintsev, Olah, and Tyka, "Inceptionism: Going Deeper into Neural Networks", $\underline{Google\ Research\ Blog}$. Images are licensed under $\underline{CC-BY}$





Recent Attempt

Plug-In Inversion: https://arxiv.org/pdf/2201.12961.pdf

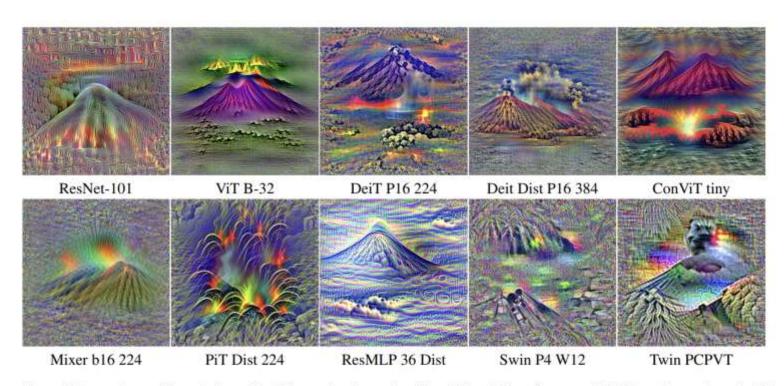
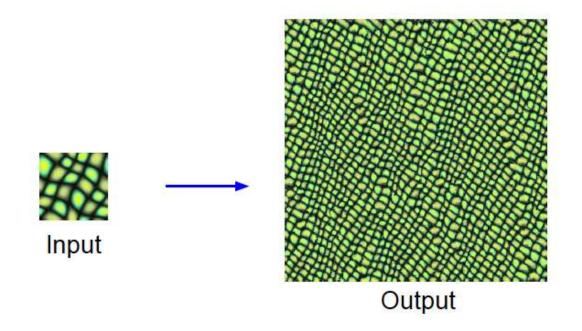


Figure 6. Images inverted from the ImageNet Volcano class for various Convolutional, Transformer, and MLP-based networks using PII. See figure 17 for further examples. For more details about networks, refer to Appendix B.



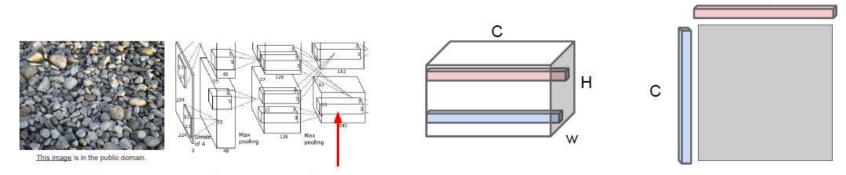
Problem setup

Given a sample patch of some texture, can we generate a bigger image of the same texture?





CNN-based modeling of image statistics

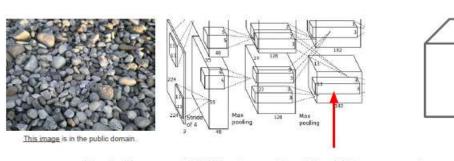


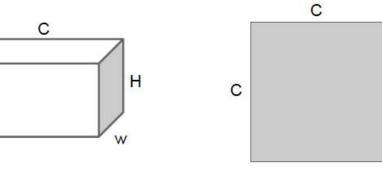
Each layer of CNN gives C x H x W tensor of features; H x W grid of C-dimensional vectors

Outer product of two C-dimensional vectors gives C x C matrix measuring co-occurrence



CNN-based modeling of image statistics





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Gram Matrix

Outer product of two C-dimensional vectors gives C x C matrix measuring co-occurrence

Average over all HW pairs of vectors, giving **Gram matrix** of shape C x C

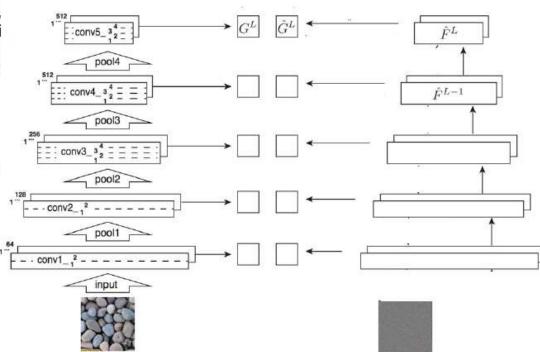


Neural texture synthesis

- 1. Pretrain a CNN on ImageNet (VGG-19)
- Run input texture forward through CNN, record activations on every layer; layer i gives feature map of shape C_i × H_i × W_i
- At each layer compute the Gram matrix giving outer product of features:

$$G_{ij}^l = \sum_k F_{ik}^l F_{jk}^l$$
 (shape $C_i \times C_i$)

- Initialize generated image from random noise
- Pass generated image through CNN, compute Gram matrix on each layer



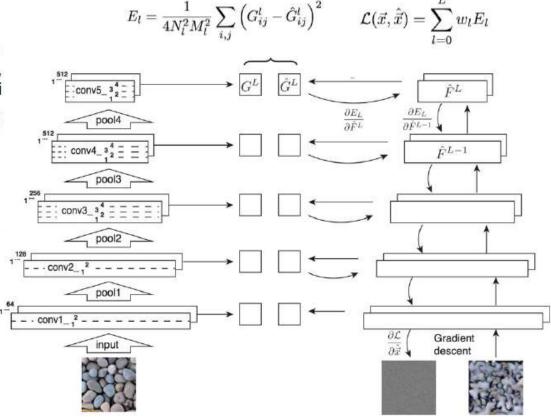
Gatys, Ecker, and Bethge, "Texture Synthesis Using Convolutional Neural Networks", NIPS 2015

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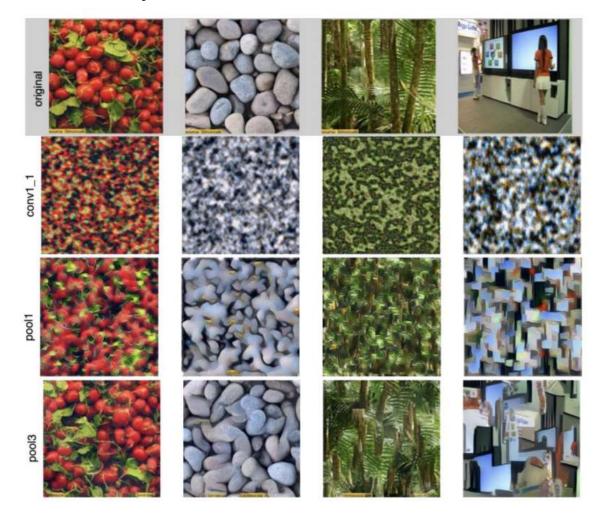
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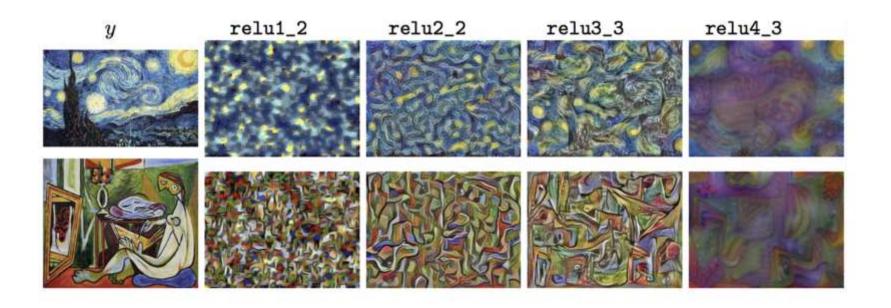
- Initialize generated image from random noise
- Pass generated image through CNN, compute Gram matrix on each layer
- Compute loss: weighted sum of L2 distance between Gram matrices
- 7. Backprop to get gradient on image
- Make gradient step on image
- GOTO 5



Neural texture synthesis

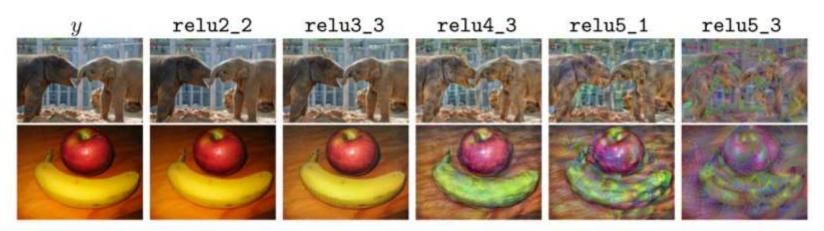


- In terms of Gram Reconstruction
- Texture = artwork



Recall Feature inversion

Reconstructing from different layers of VGG-16



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(encourages spatial smoothness)

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Problem setup

Content Image



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Style Image

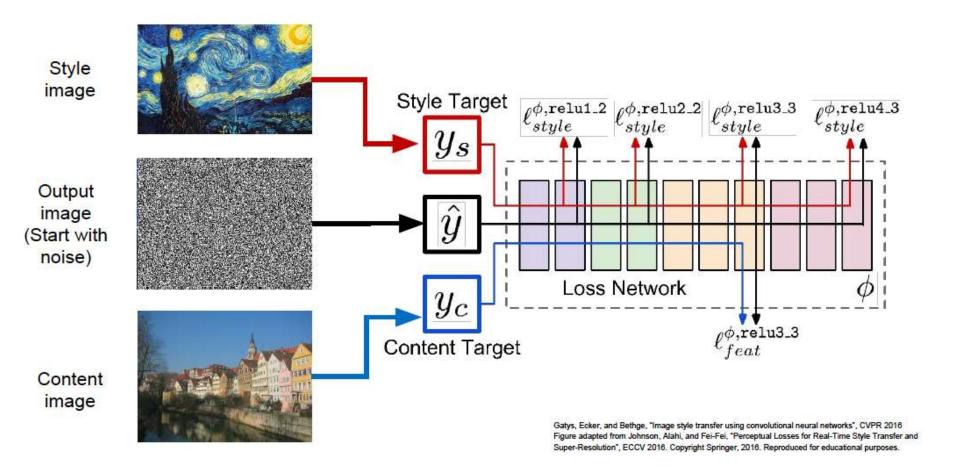


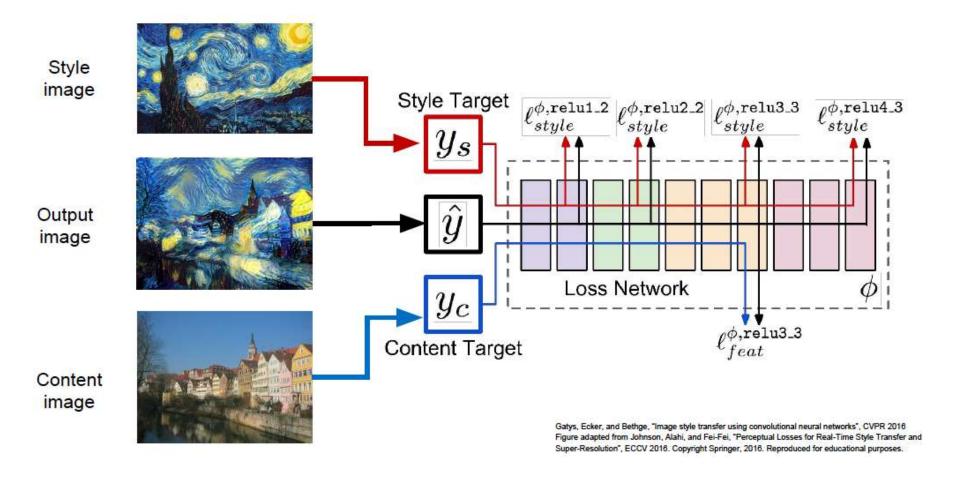
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Style Transfer!



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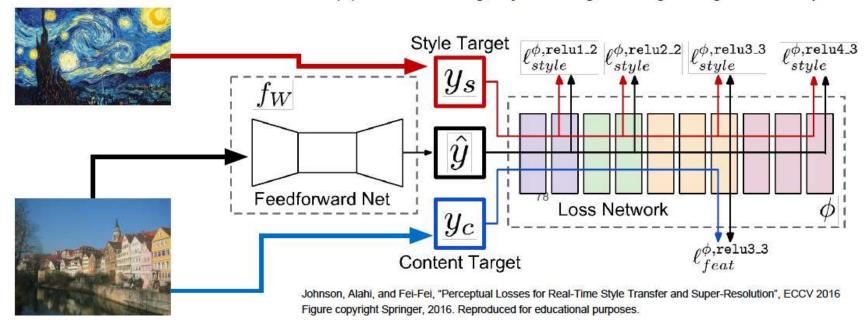
Mix style from multiple images by taking a weighted average of Gram matrices



Gatys, Ecker, and Bethge, "Image style transfer using convolutional neural networks", CVPR 2016 Figure copyright Justin Johnson, 2015.

Fast Style Transfer

- (1) Train a feedforward network for each style
- (2) Use pretrained CNN to compute same losses as before
- (3) After training, stylize images using a single forward pass



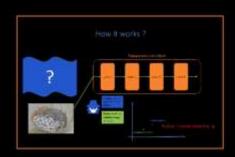
Fast Style Transfer

Fast Style Transfer

On images and videos

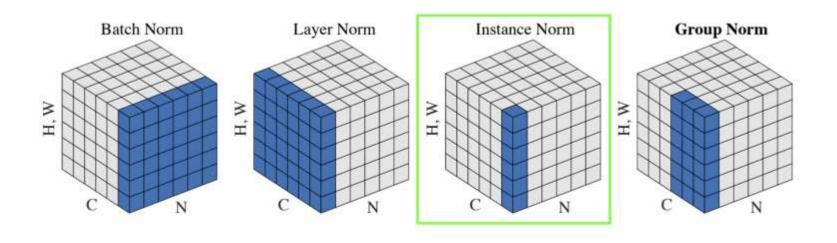
Inspired by : Perceptual losses for real-time style transfer and super-resolution (Johnson Justin, Alahi Alexandre, Fei-Fei Li, 2016)

For explanation on how it works, please watch part 1.



Recall Instance Normalization

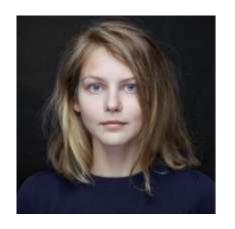
Instance Normalization was developed for style transfer!



Ulyanov et al, "Texture Networks: Feed-forward Synthesis of Textures and Stylized Images", ICML 2016 Ulyanov et al, "Instance Normalization: The Missing Ingredient for Fast Stylization", arXiv 2016

Fast Style Transfer

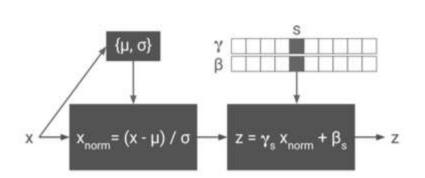
Replacing BN with IN improves results!

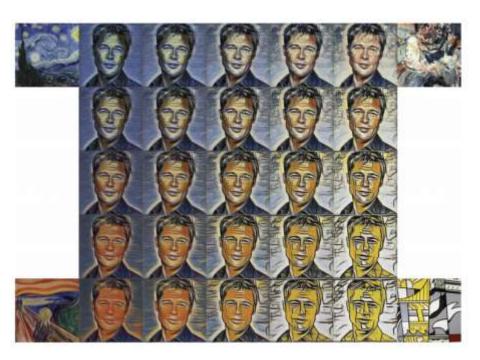




One Network, Many Styles

- Same network for multiple styles
- Conditional Instance Normalization: learn separate scale and shift parameters per style





Dumoulin, Shlens, and Kudlur, "A Learned Representation for Artistic Style", ICLR 2017

Adaptive Instance Normalization

- Why IN is better than BN?
- Why CIN can model various styles?

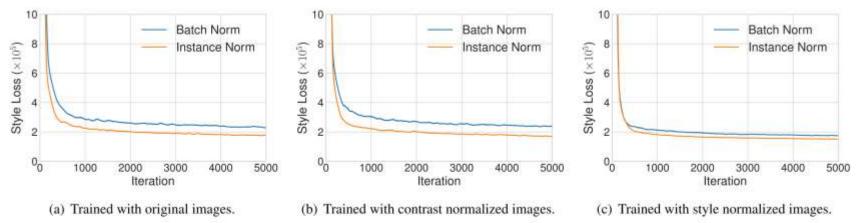
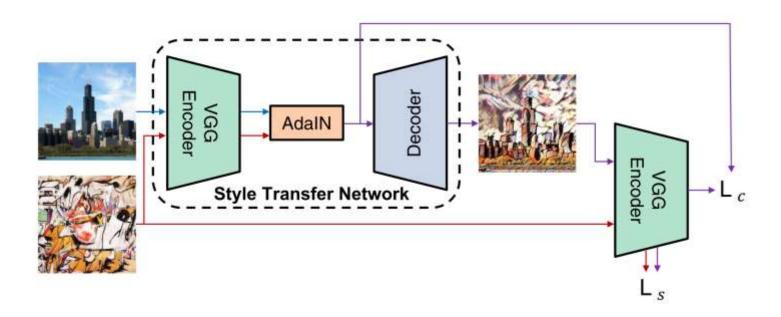


Figure 1. To understand the reason for IN's effectiveness in style transfer, we train an IN model and a BN model with (a) original images in MS-COCO [36], (b) contrast normalized images, and (c) style normalized images using a pre-trained style transfer network [24]. The improvement brought by IN remains significant even when all training images are normalized to the same contrast, but are much smaller when all images are (approximately) normalized to the same style. Our results suggest that IN performs a kind of style normalization.

Huang et al, "Arbitrary Style Transfer in Real-time with Adaptive Instance Normalization", ICCV 2017

Adaptive Instance Normalization

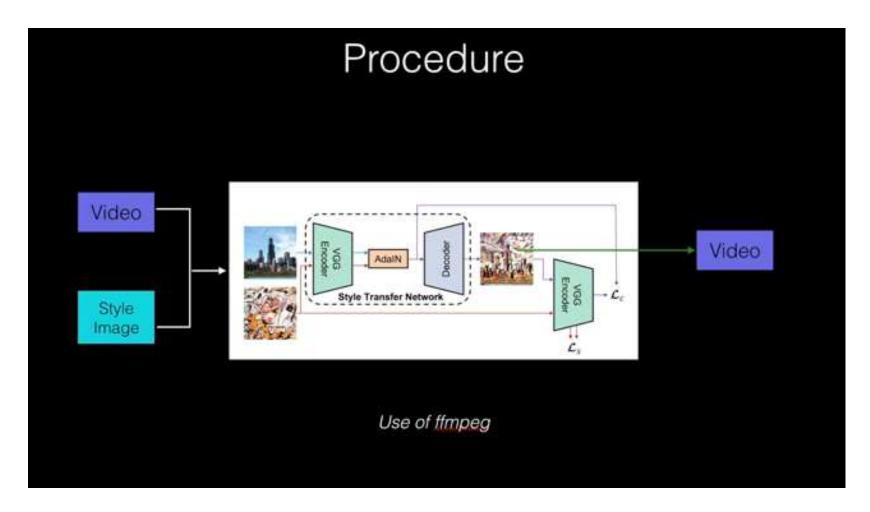
x: content image; y: style image



$$AdaIN(x,y) = \sigma(y) \left(\frac{x - \mu(x)}{\sigma(x)}\right) + \mu(y)$$

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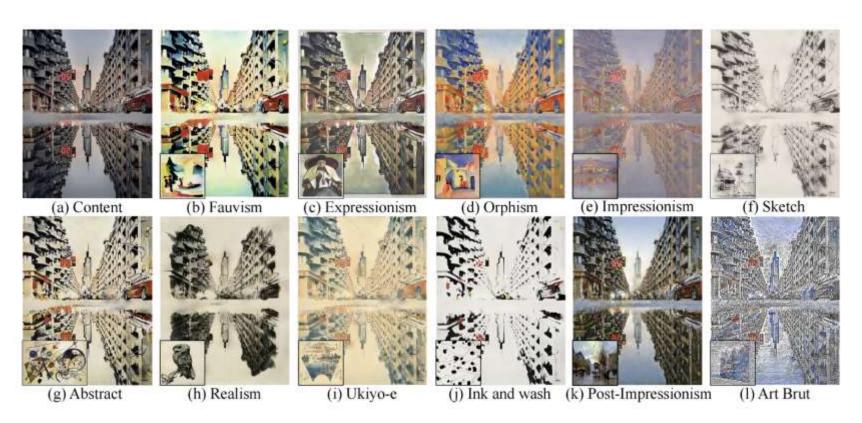
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Recent advances

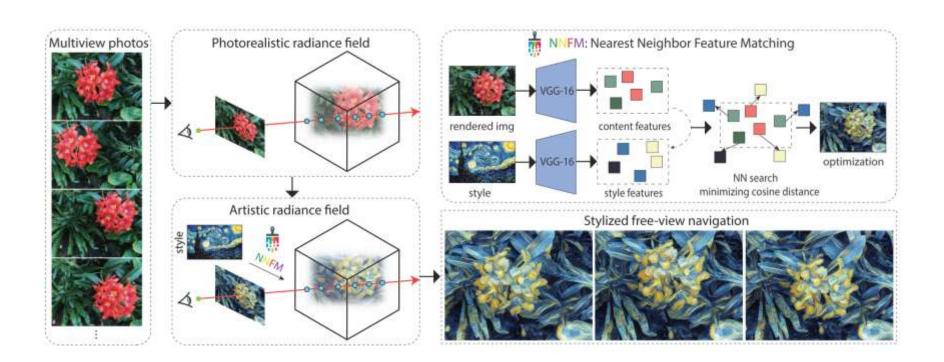
More complex style representation than second-order statistics



Zhang et al, "Domain Enhanced Arbitrary Image Style Transfer via Contrastive Learning (CAST)", SIGGRAPH 2022

Recent advances

From 2D to 3D using Neural Radiance Field (NeRF)



Zhang et al, "ARF: Artistic Radiance Fields", ECCV 2022

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