

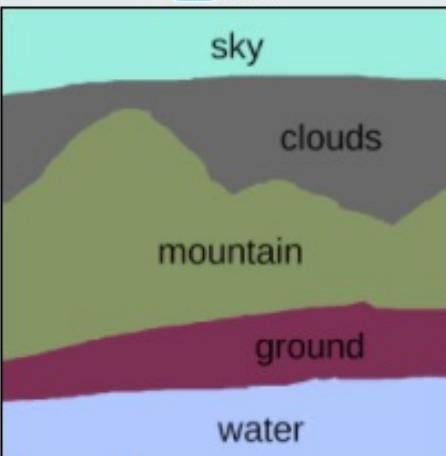
# Image-to-Image Translation and Conditional Generative Models (part II)

Jun-Yan Zhu

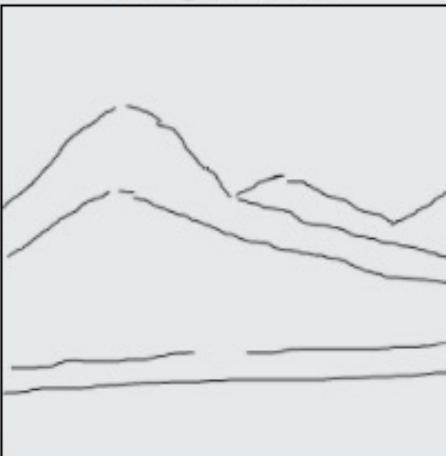
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Snow mountains  
near a frozen lake  
with pink clouds in  
the sky.

Text



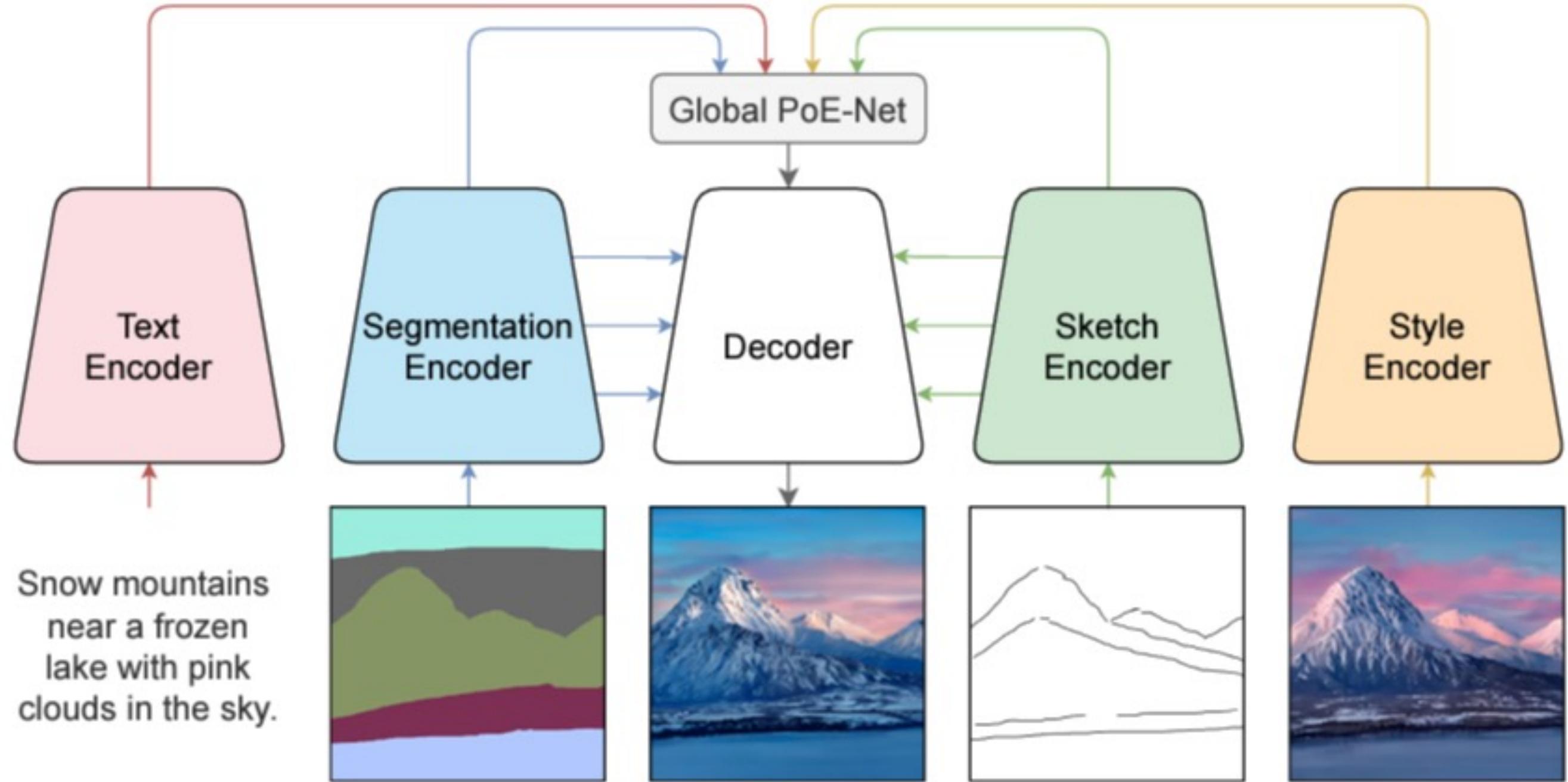
Segmentation



Sketch



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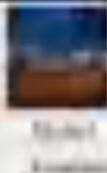


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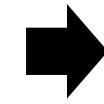
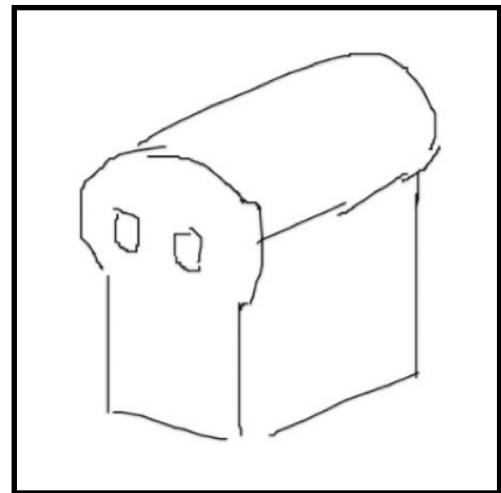


# GauGAN2

Paint Me a Picture



# Supervised Learning Approach



Edges2cats

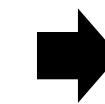
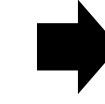


Image colorization



Street view images

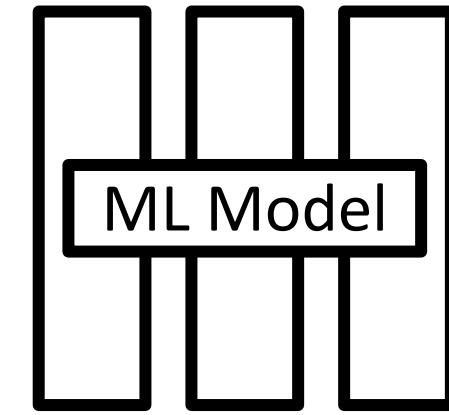


Natural outdoor images

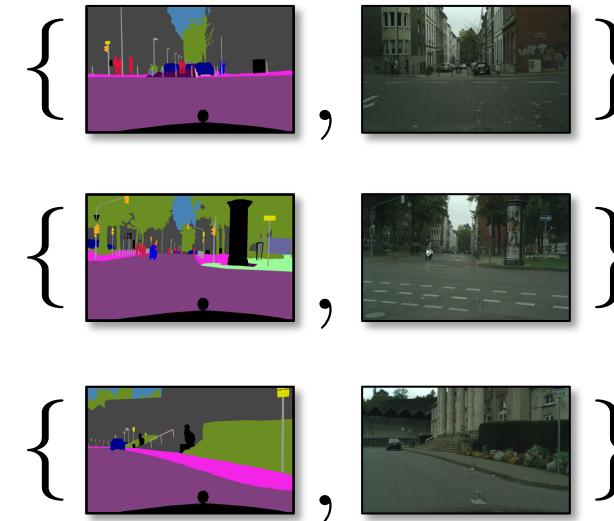
# Supervised Learning Approach



User Input



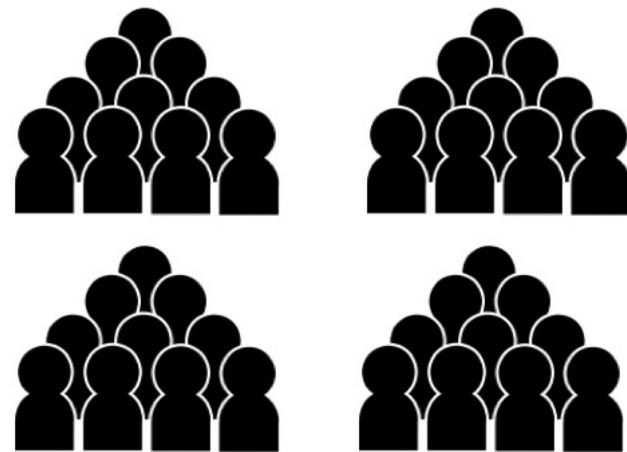
Learning algorithm



Labeled data



Visual Content



Expensive labor



Artistic authoring



horse



zebra

Infeasible

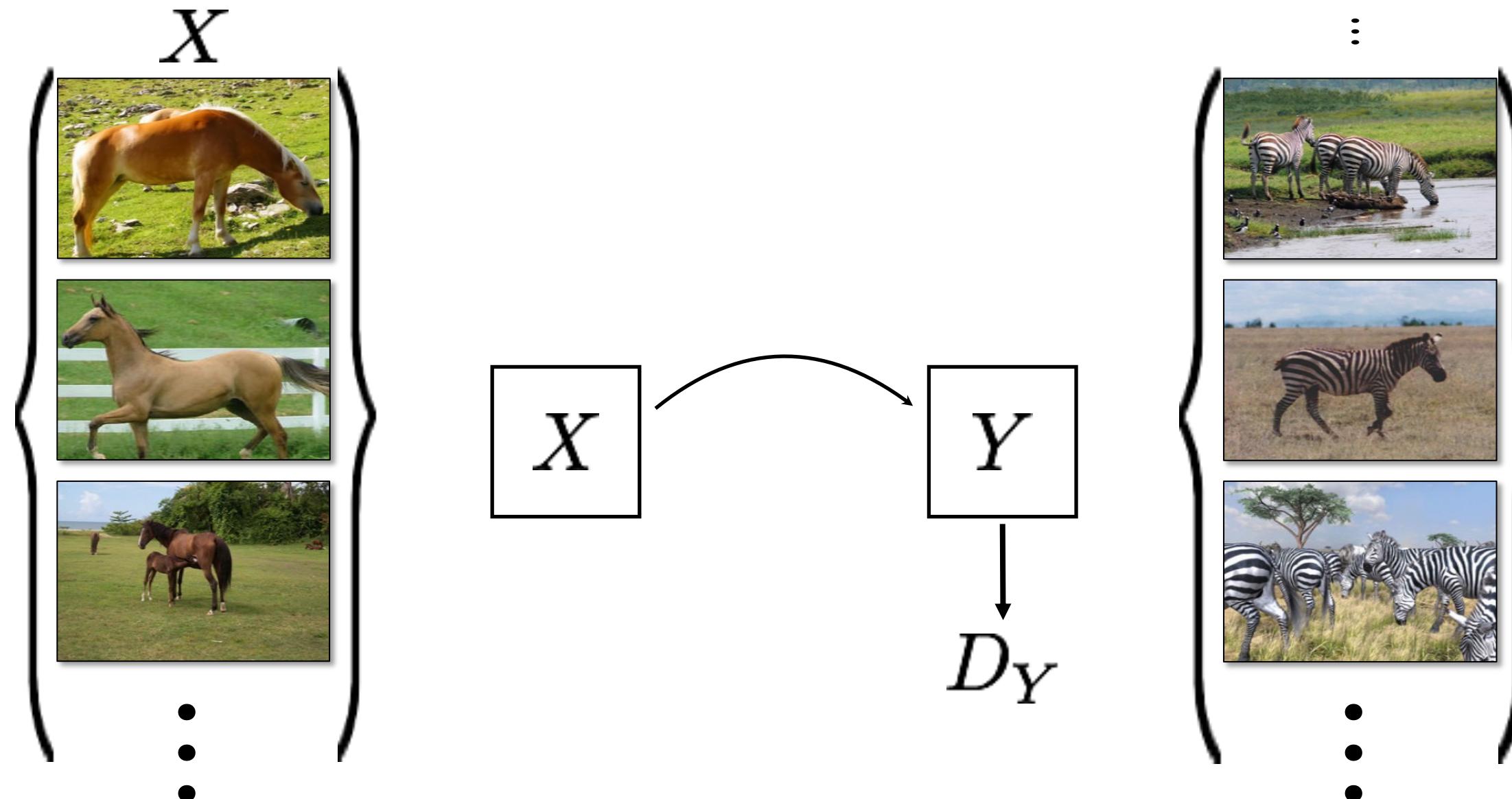
# Supervised

- $x_i$        $y_i$
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{[Image with semantic segmentation mask]} \\ , \\ \text{[Image without segmentation mask]} \end{array} \right\}$
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# Unsupervised

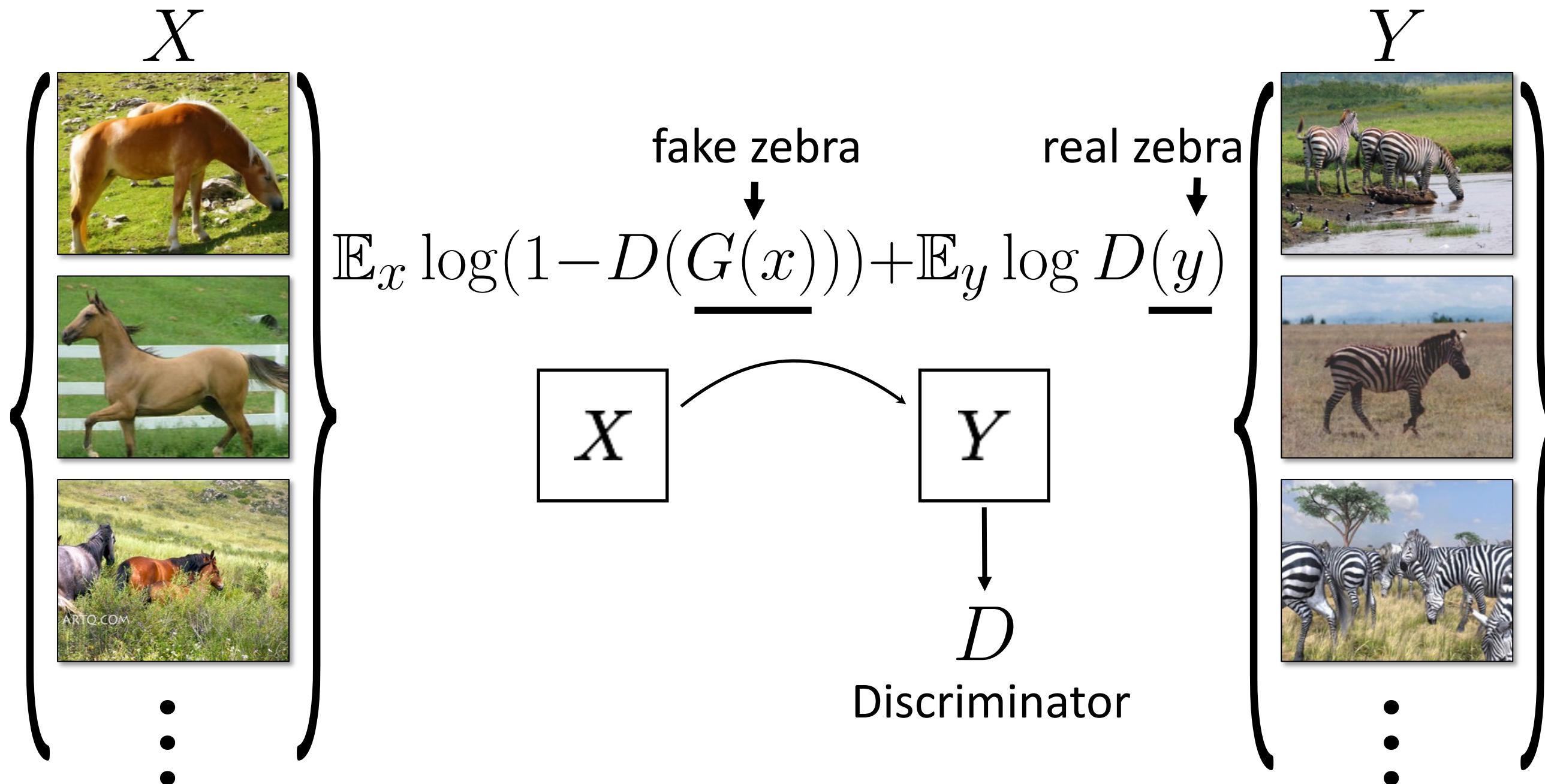
- $X$        $Y$
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{[Image of a horse]} \\ \text{[Image of two zebras]} \end{array} \right\}$
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{[Image of a horse running]} \\ \text{[Image of a zebra walking]} \end{array} \right\}$
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{[Image of horses in a field]} \\ \text{[Image of a herd of zebras]} \end{array} \right\}$
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# Unsupervised Learning of $p(y | x)$



[Zhu\*, Park\*, Isola, and Efros, 2017]

# Unsupervised Learning of $p(y | x)$

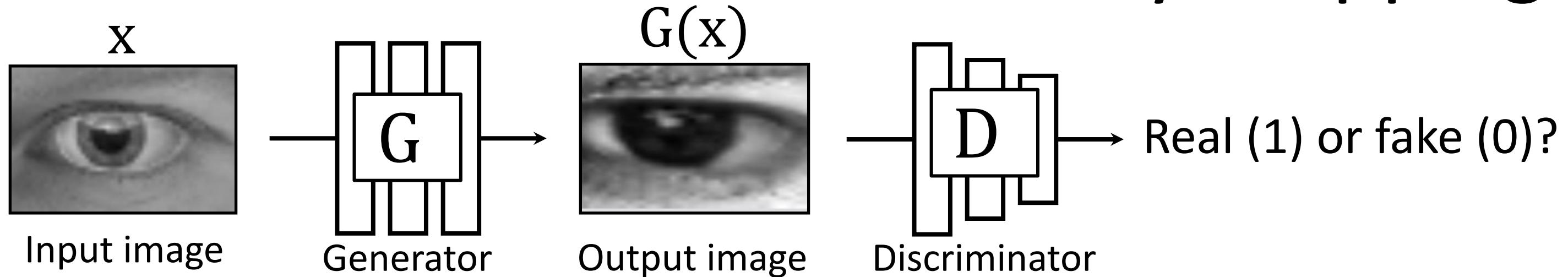


# Unsupervised Learning of $p(y | x)$



- artifacts
- ignore inputs

# Additional Constraint: Identity Mapping

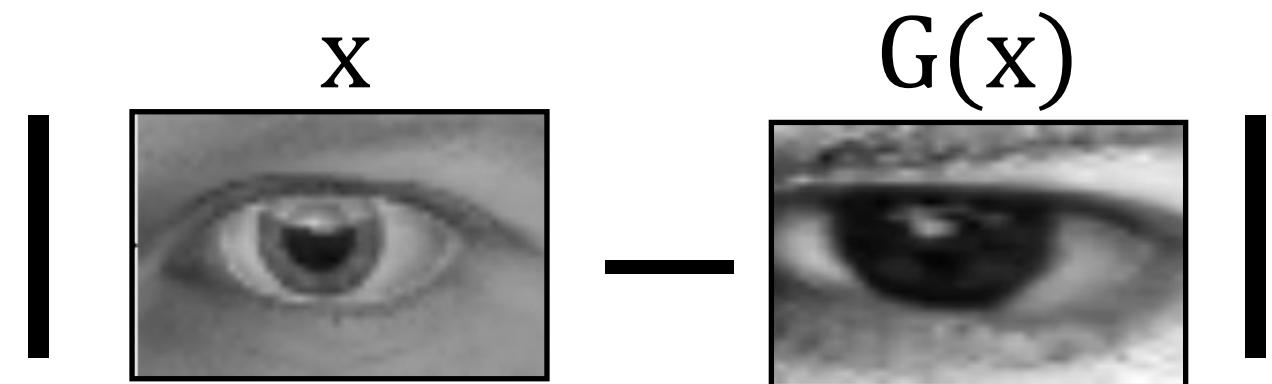


## Adversarial loss

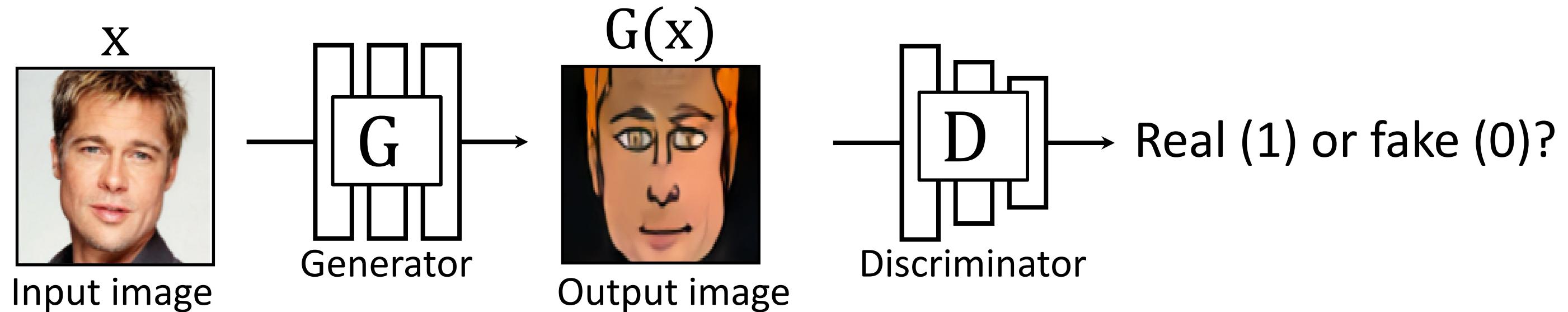
$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

## Self-Regularization loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|G(x) - x\|_1$$



# Additional Constraint: Feature Loss



## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

## Feature loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x ||F(G(x)) - F(x)||$$

Requires  $F$  to work across two domains

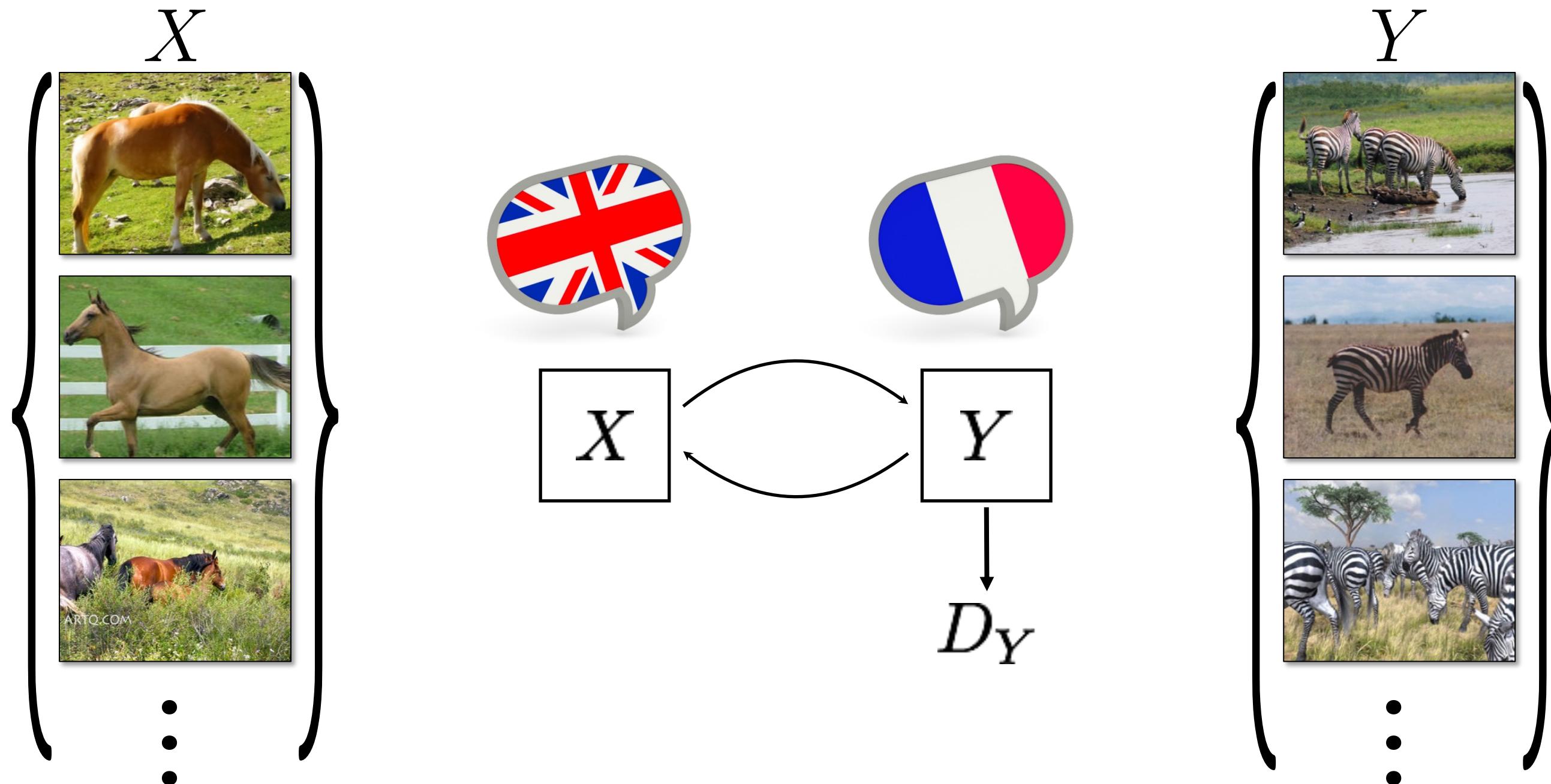
Input  $x$

Output  $G(x)$

$$||F(\text{Input}) - F(\text{Output})||$$

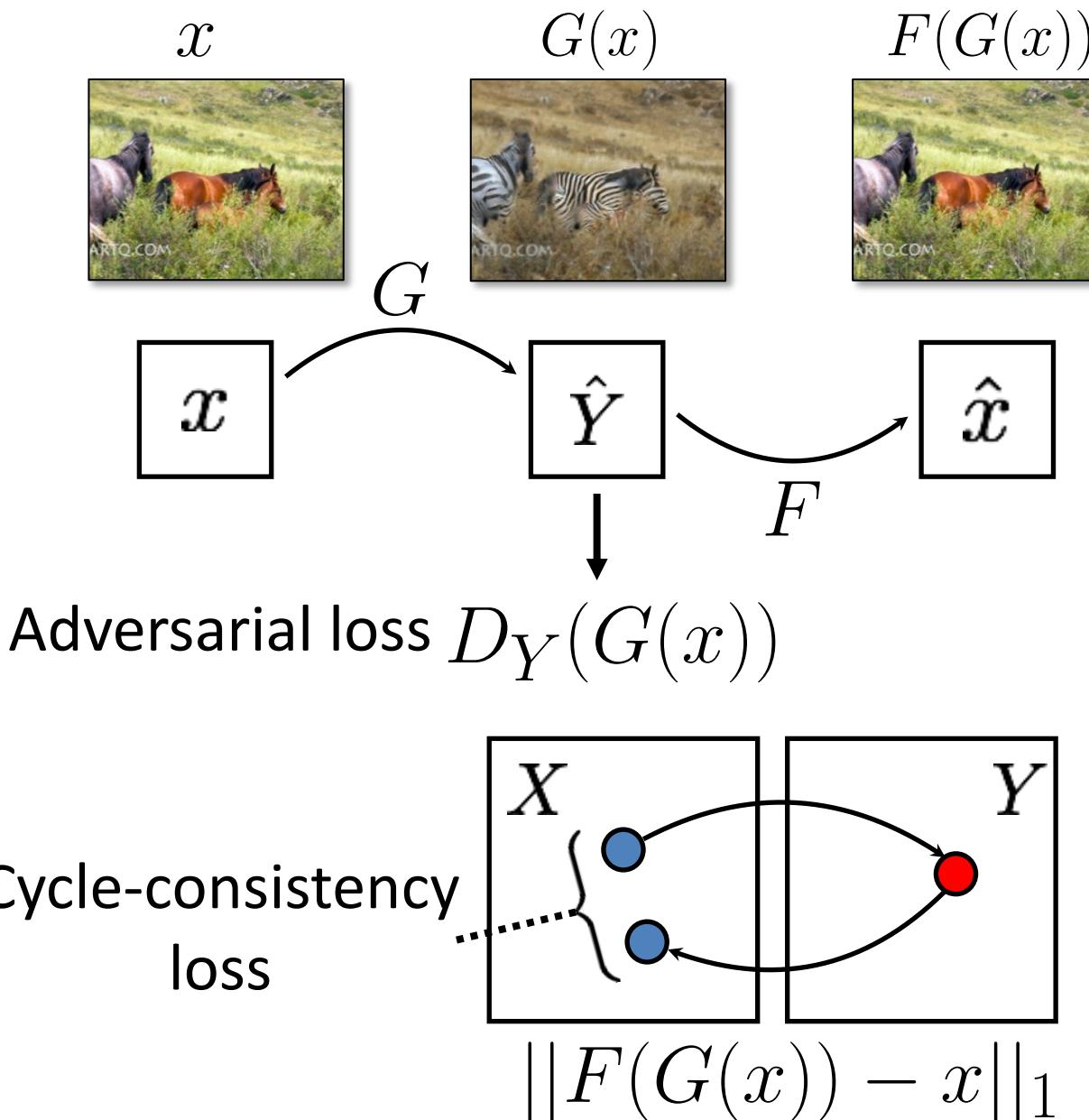
DTN [Taigman et al., 2017]

# Additional Constraint: Cycle-Consistency



CycleGAN [Zhu\*, Park\* et al., ICCV 2017]

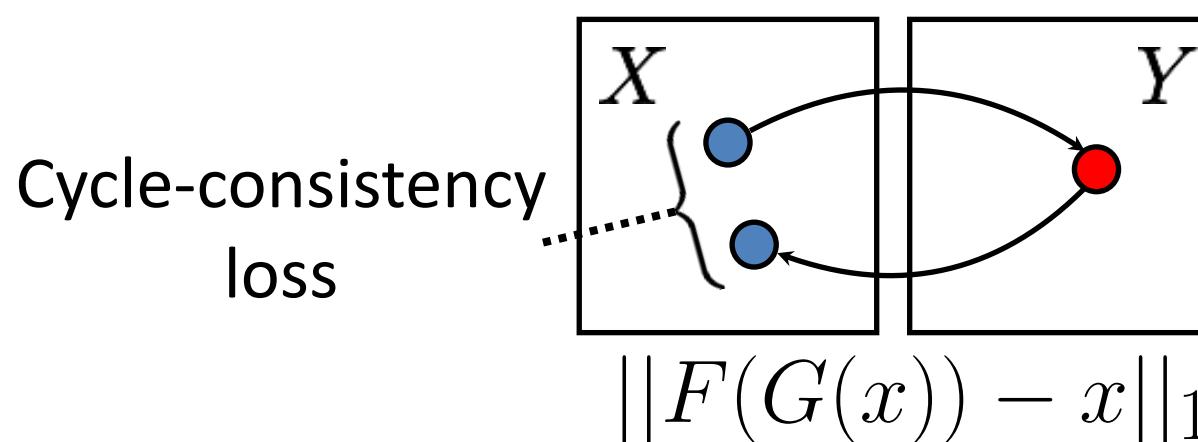
# Cycle-Consistent Adversarial Networks



**Adversarial loss**

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

Adversarial loss  $D_Y(G(x))$

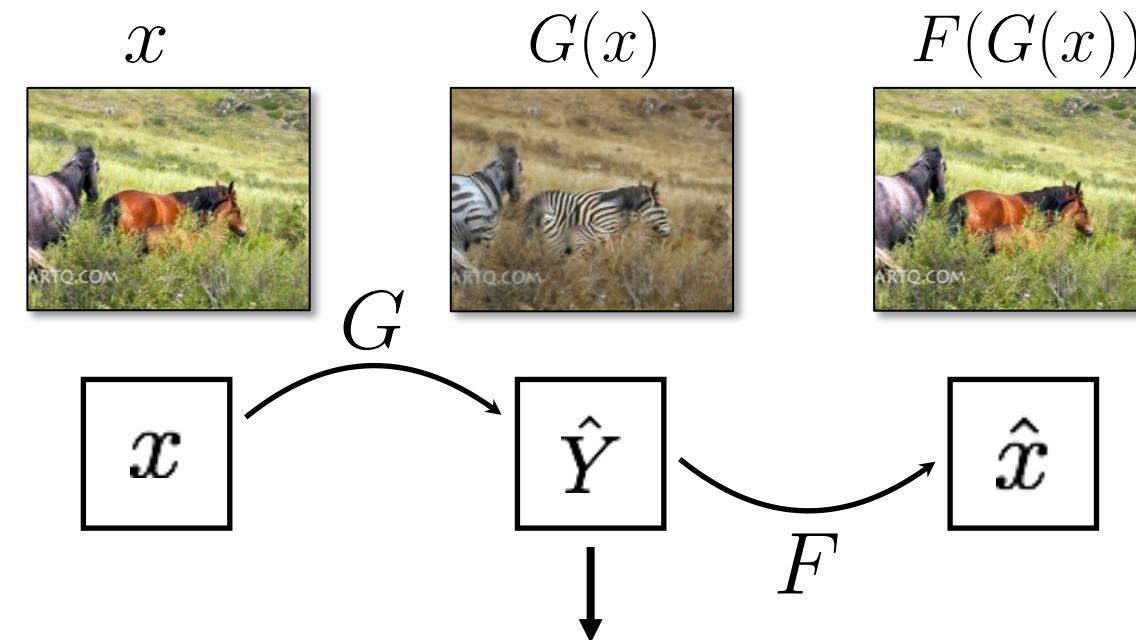


**Cycle-consistency loss**

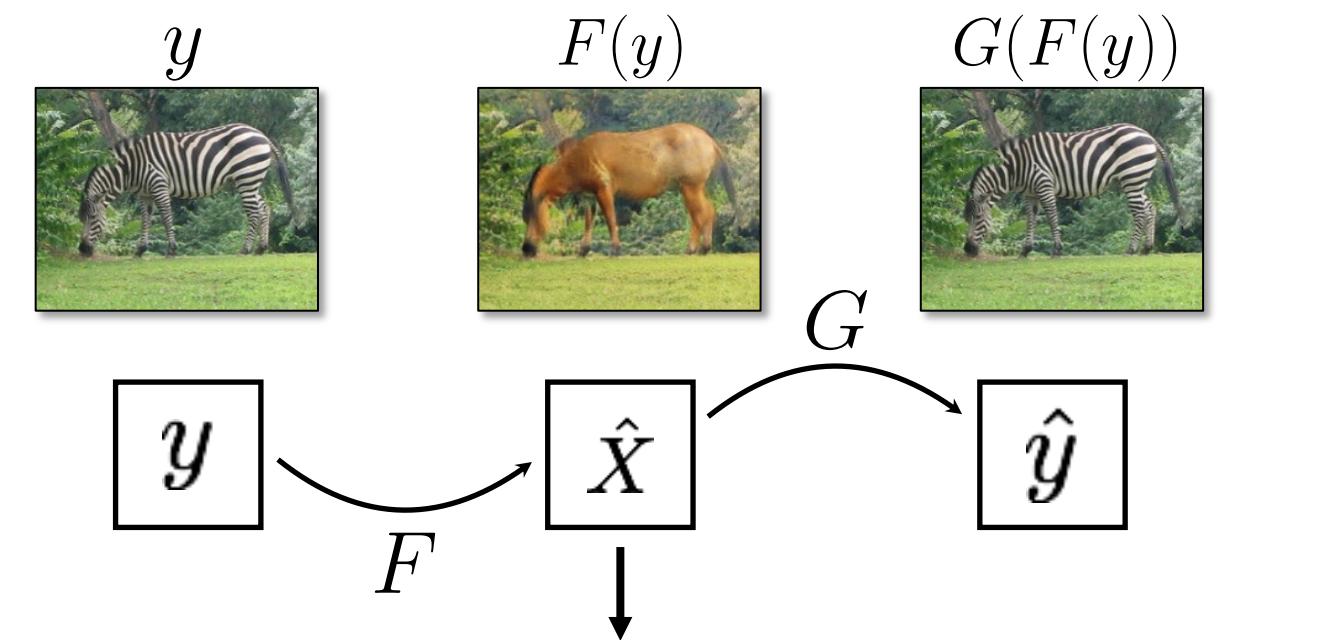
$$\mathbb{E}_x \|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$

CycleGAN [Zhu\*, Park\* et al., ICCV 2017]

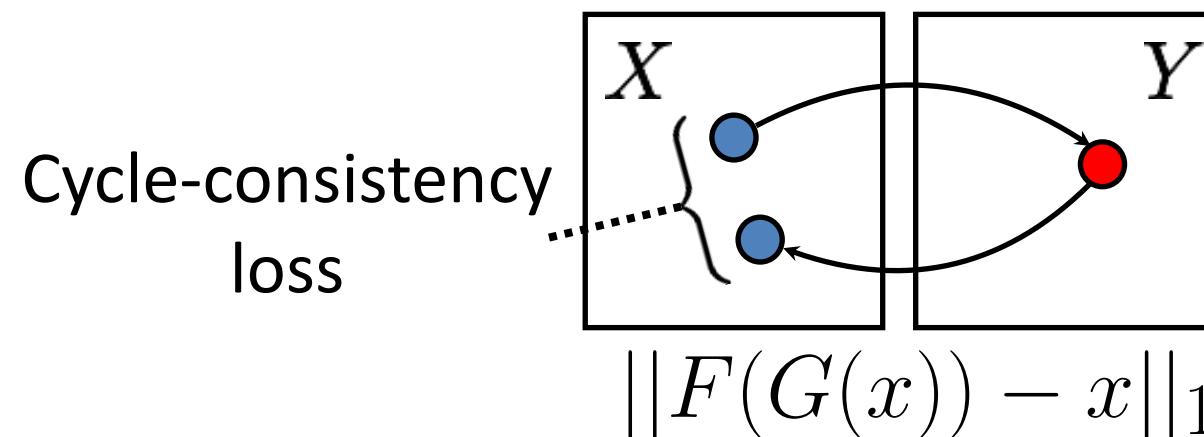
# Cycle-Consistent Adversarial Networks



Adversarial loss  $D_Y(G(x))$

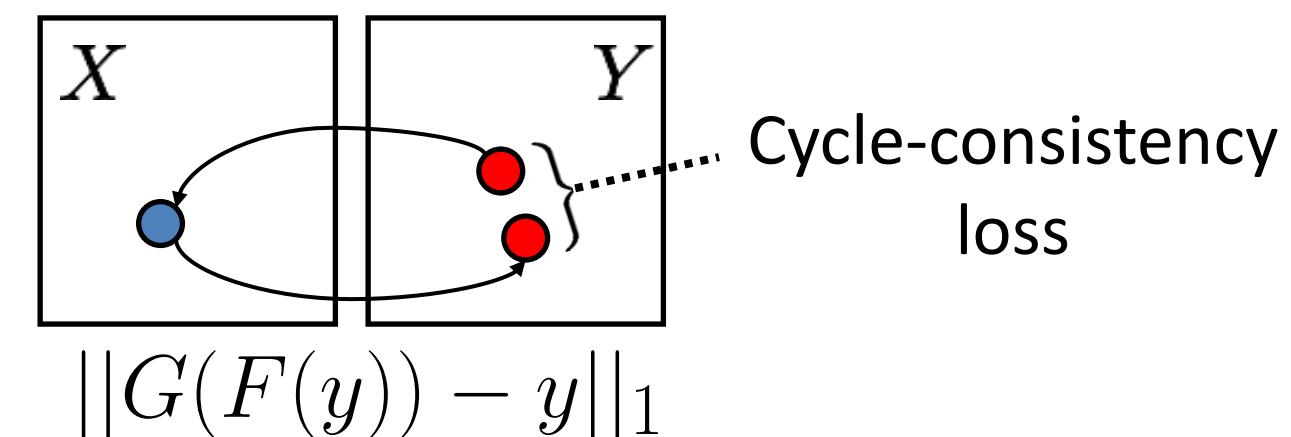


$D_X(F(y))$  Adversarial loss



Cycle-consistency  
loss

$$\|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$



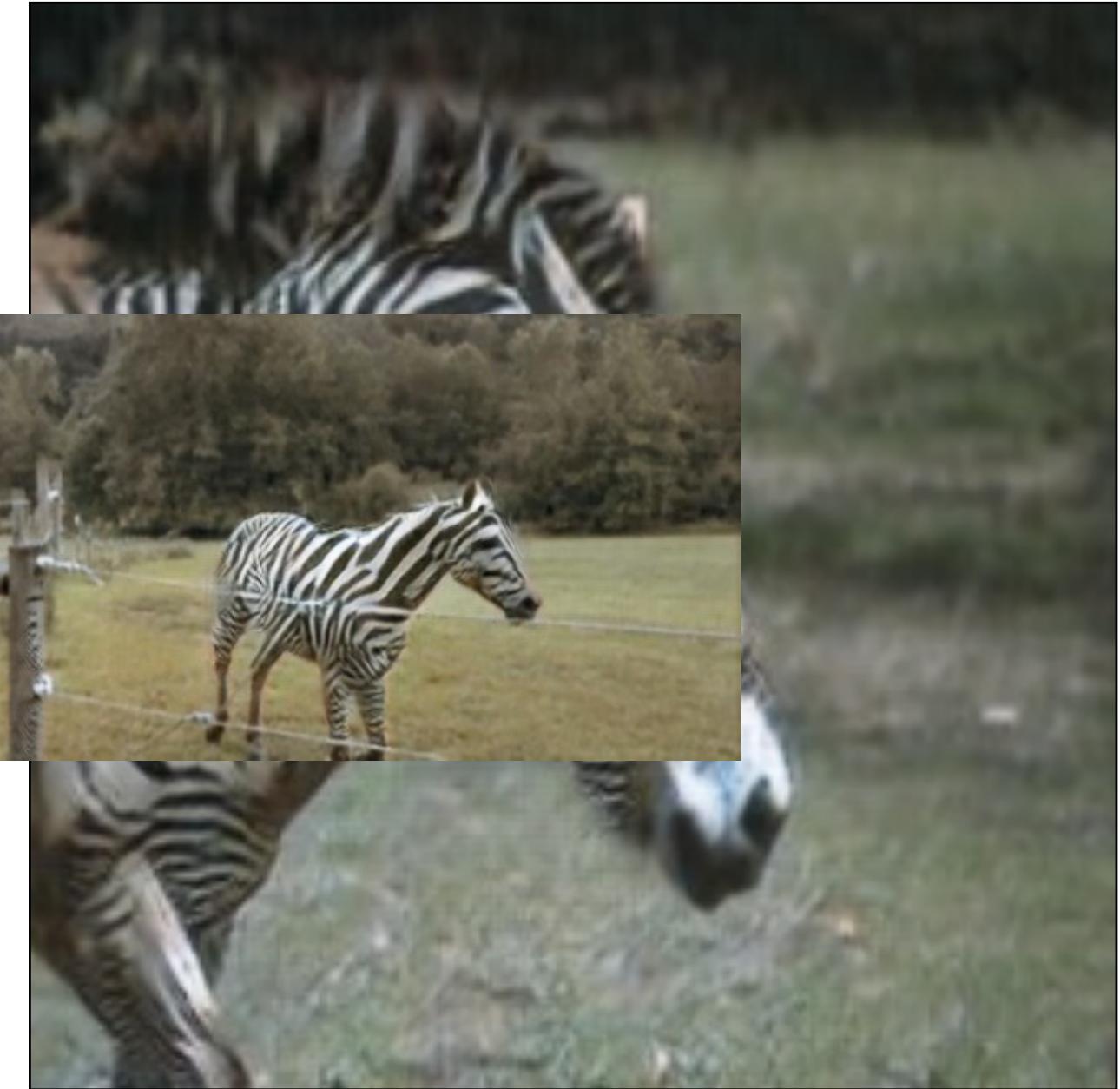
Cycle-consistency  
loss

$$\|G(F(y)) - y\|_1$$

CycleGAN [Zhu\*, Park\* et al., ICCV 2017]

# Results

# Horse → Zebra



# Orange → Apple



# Monet's paintings → photographic style



# Monet's paintings → photographic style



# Collection Style Transfer



Photograph ©Alexei Efros



Monet



Van Gogh



Cezanne

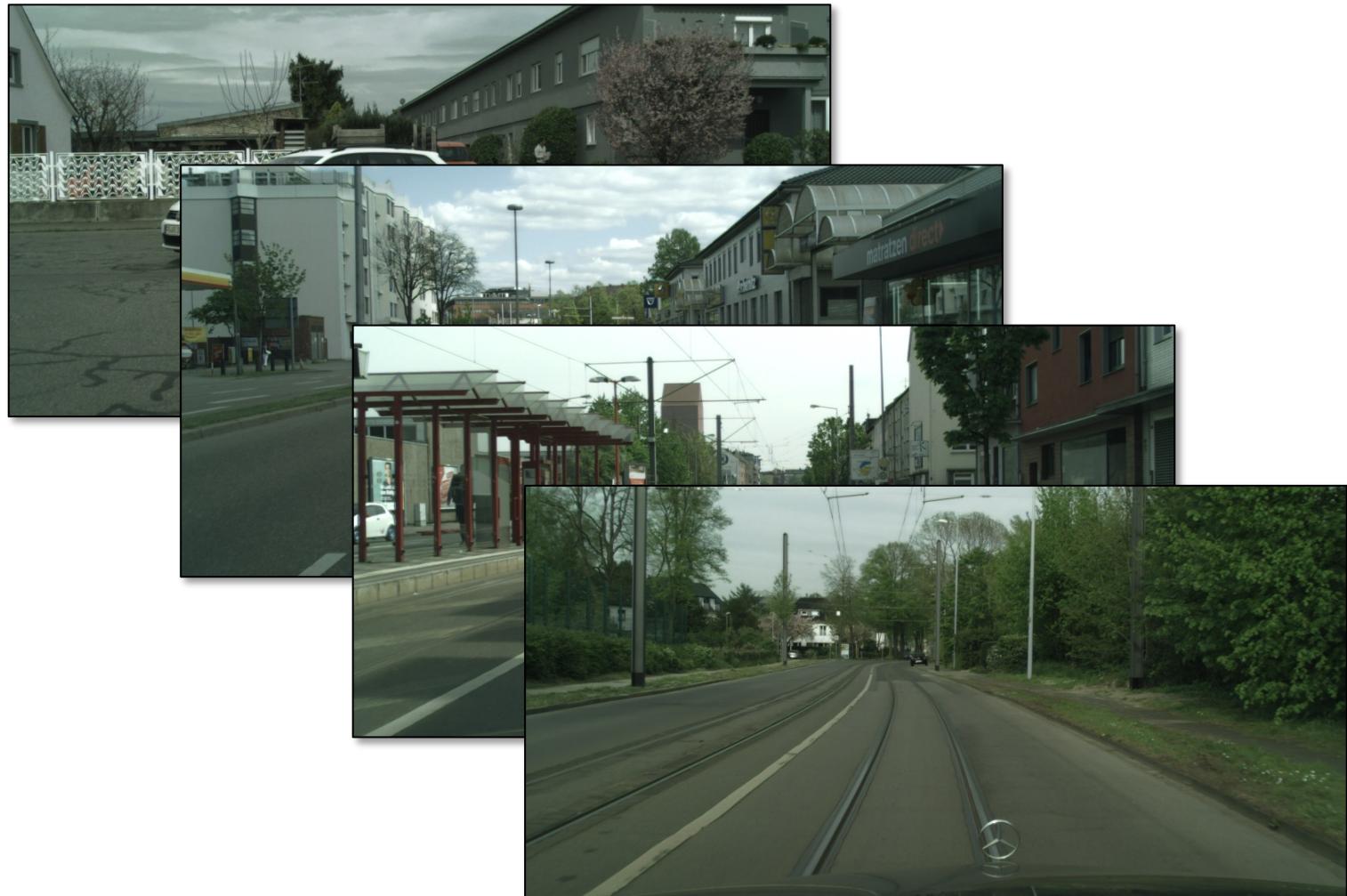


Ukiyo-e

# Improving the Realism of CG Rendering



CG Game: Grand Theft Auto



Street view images in German cities

Data from [Richter et al., 2016], [Cordts et al, 2016]

# Improving the Realism of CG Rendering



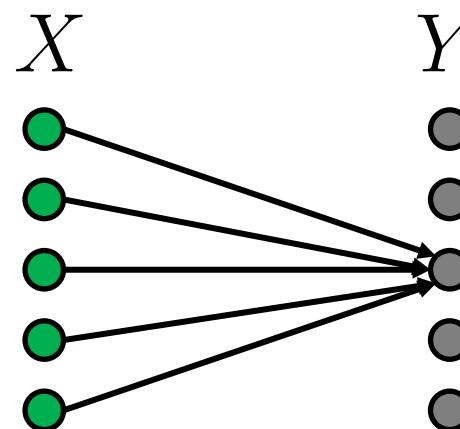
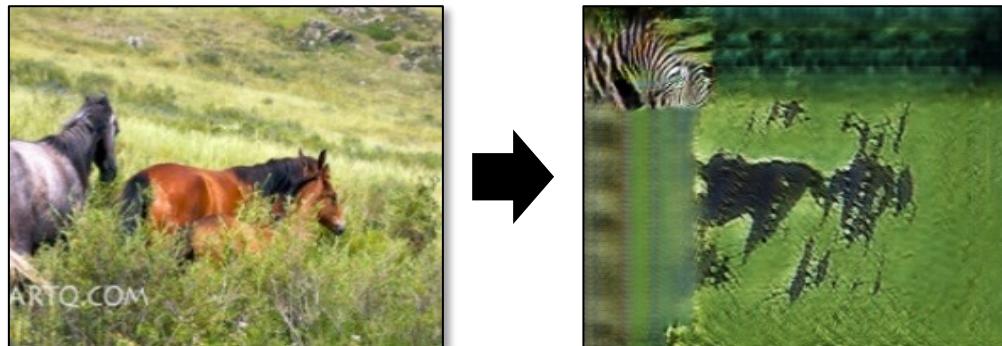
Output image with `cgimage` street view style

# Why CycleGAN works

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## Adversarial loss

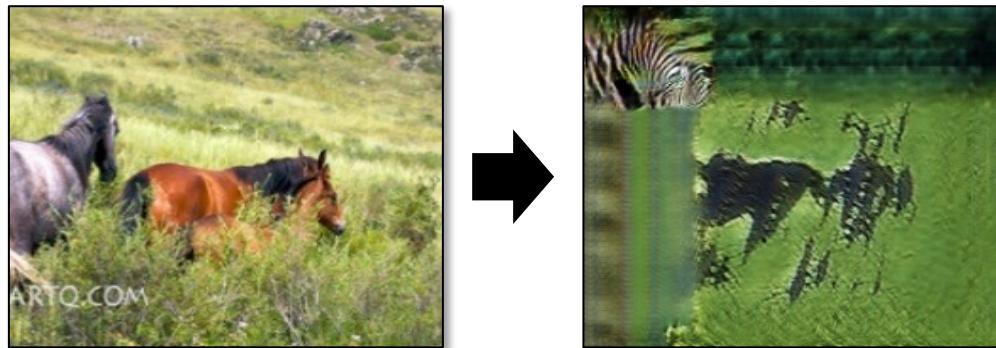
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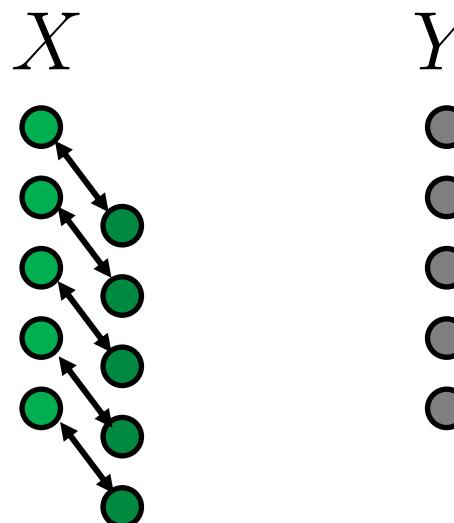
## Adversarial loss

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## Cycle-consistency loss

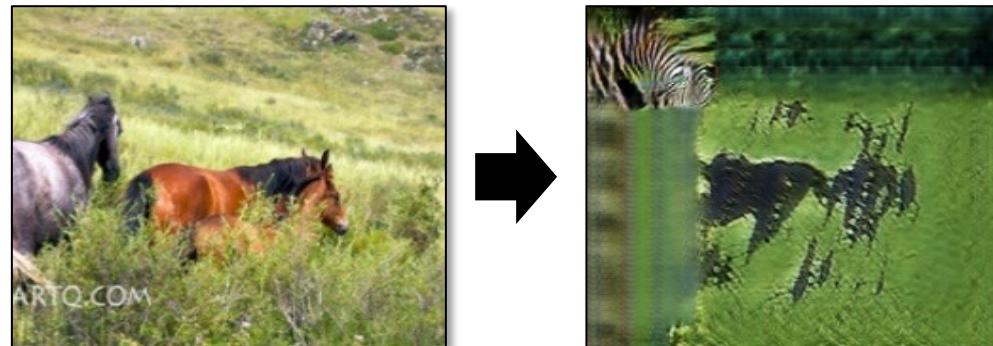
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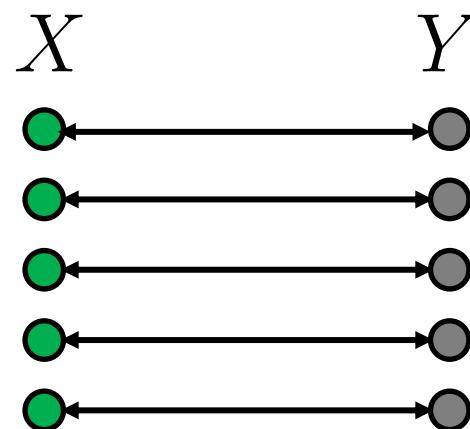
## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$



## Cycle-consistency loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$



## Full objective



# Why CycleGAN works

## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

$x$



## Cycle-consistency loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$

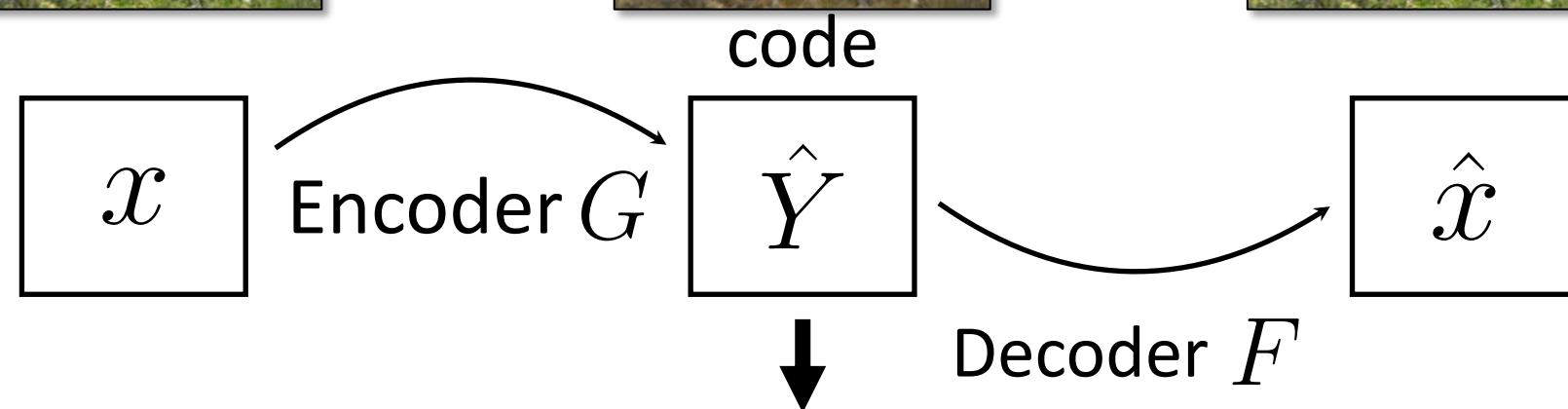
$G(x)$



$F(G(x))$



## Auto-encoder w/ domain prior



Constraint:  $\text{len}(\mathcal{G}(x)) \leq \text{latent}(Y)$

# Why CycleGAN works

## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

Under-constrained problem



A strong regularizer

**Assumption:** simple invertible function

**Probabilistic Interpretation :** Upper bound of conditional entropy  $H(y|x)$

[Li et al. 2017]

# Why CycleGAN works

## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$

## Cycle-consistency loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$

flip the image



$$P \circ G$$



$$F \circ P^{-1}$$



## Invertible Perturbation

flip the image again

**Adversarial loss:** images are horizontally symmetric

**Cycle-consistency loss :**  $\|F \circ P^{-1}(P \circ G(x)) - x\|$

# Style and Content Disentanglement

# Style and Content Separation

**A**

Classification

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
A	B	C	D	E
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
B	C	<b>A</b>	E	D

Domain Adaptation

**B**

Extrapolation

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
A	B	C	D	E
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
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?	?	C	D	E

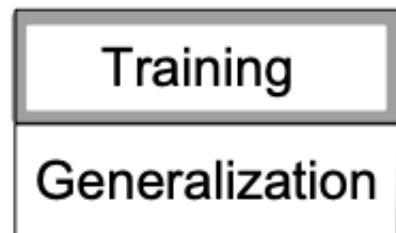
Paired Image-to-Image Translation

**C**

Translation

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	?	?	?
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>			
A	B	C	D	E			
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>			
<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	?	?	?
?				?	F	G	H

Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation



Separating Style and Content  
[Tenenbaum and Freeman 1996]

$$y_k^{sc} = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J w_{ijk} a_i^s b_j^c.$$

# Style and Content

## Adversarial loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \log(1 - D_Y(G(x))) + \mathbb{E}_y \log D_Y(y)$$



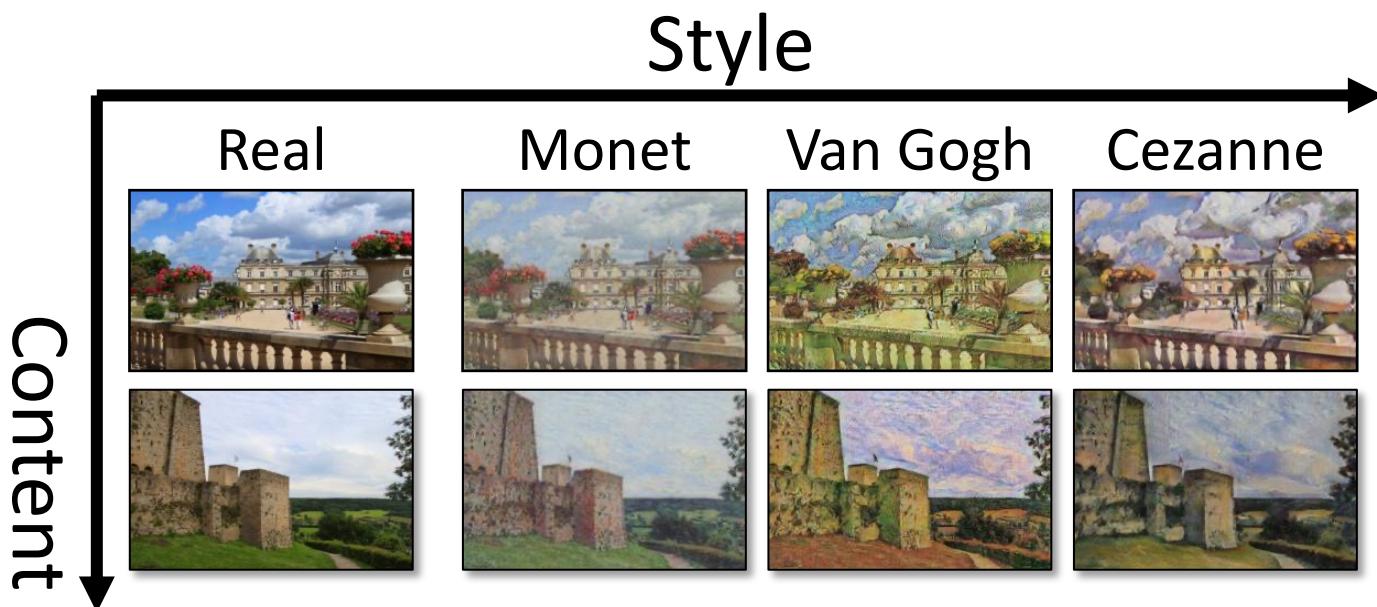
$p(x) \rightarrow p(y)$  change style

## Cycle-consistency loss

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|F(G(x)) - x\|_1$$

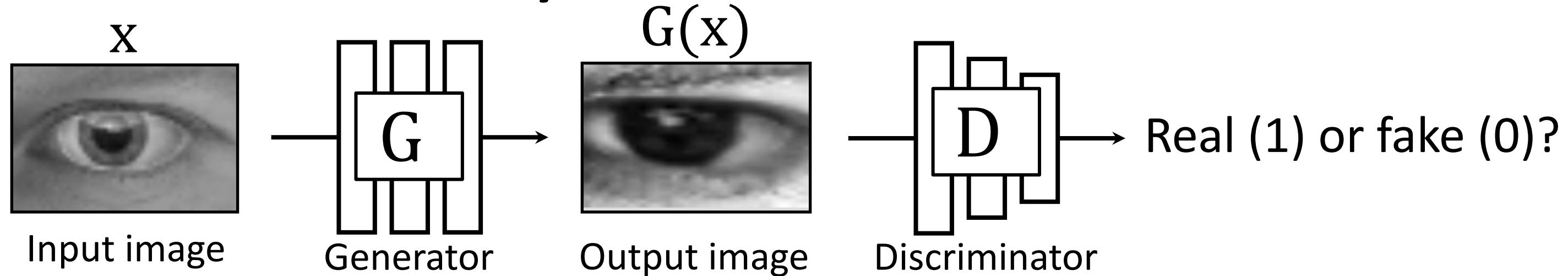


Bidirectional: preserve content



Separating Style and Content  
[Tenenbaum and Freeman 1996]

# Style and Content

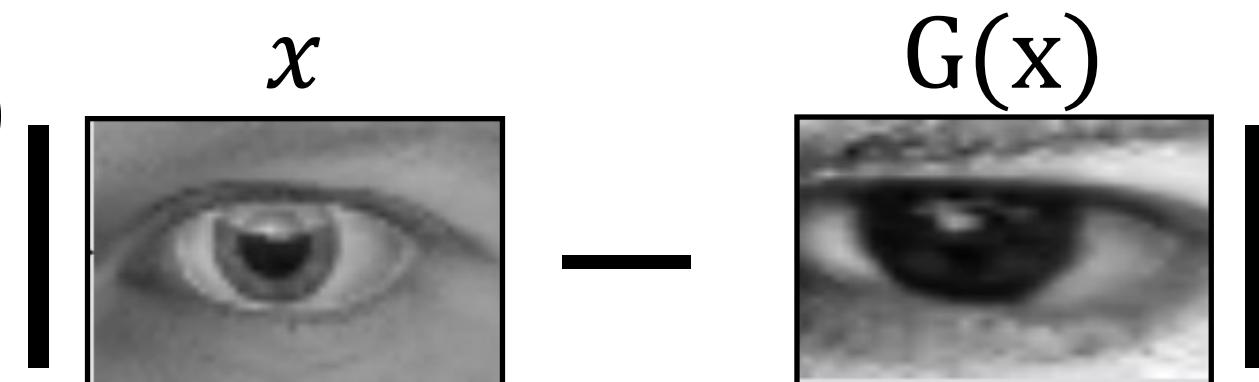


**Adversarial loss (change style)**

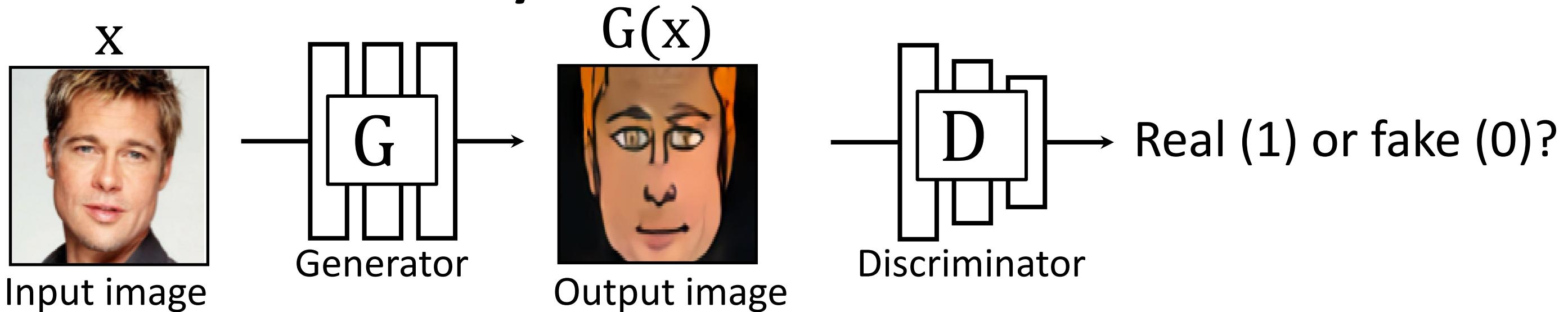
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**L1 loss (preserve content in pixel space)**

$$\mathbb{E}_x \|G(x) - x\|_1$$



# Style and Content



**Adversarial loss (change style)**

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**Feature loss (Preserve content in feature space)**

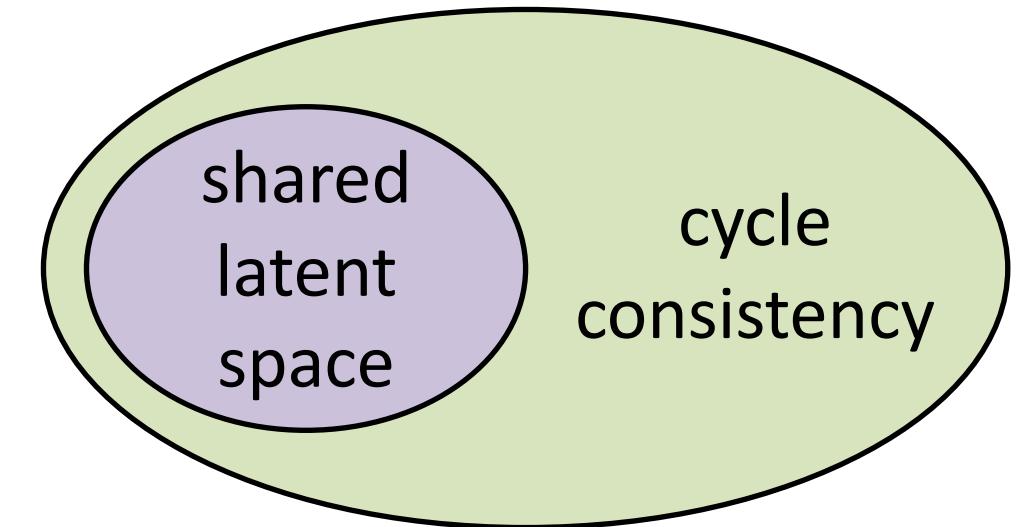
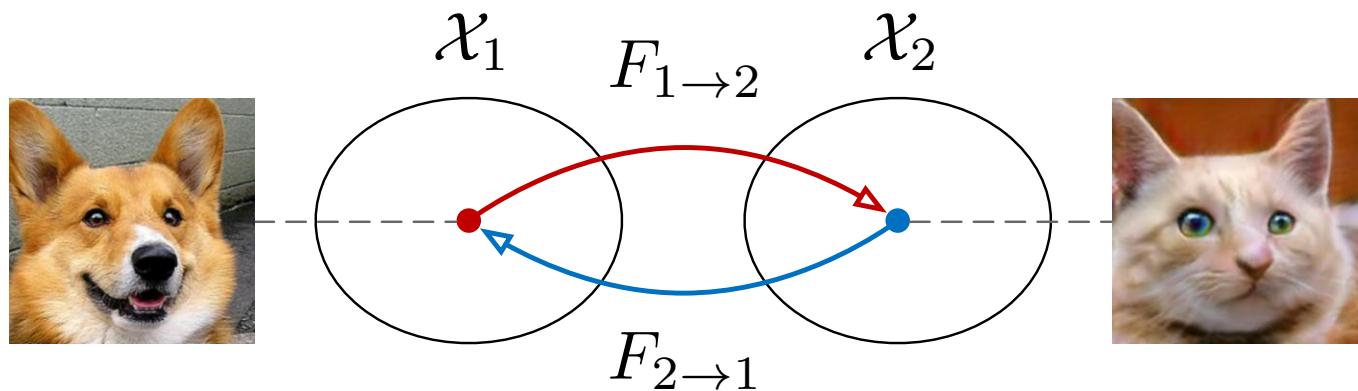
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$$\|F(\text{Input}) - F(\text{Output})\|$$

DTN [Taigman et al., 2017]

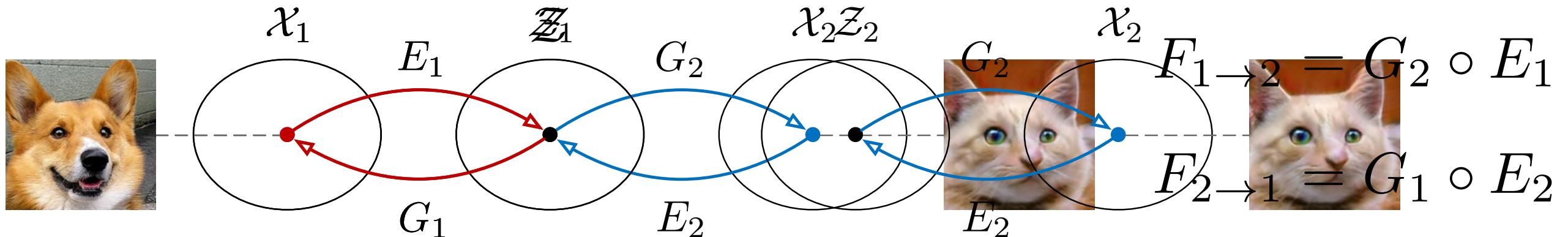
# CycleGAN and UNIT

- CycleGAN (**cycle consistency**)



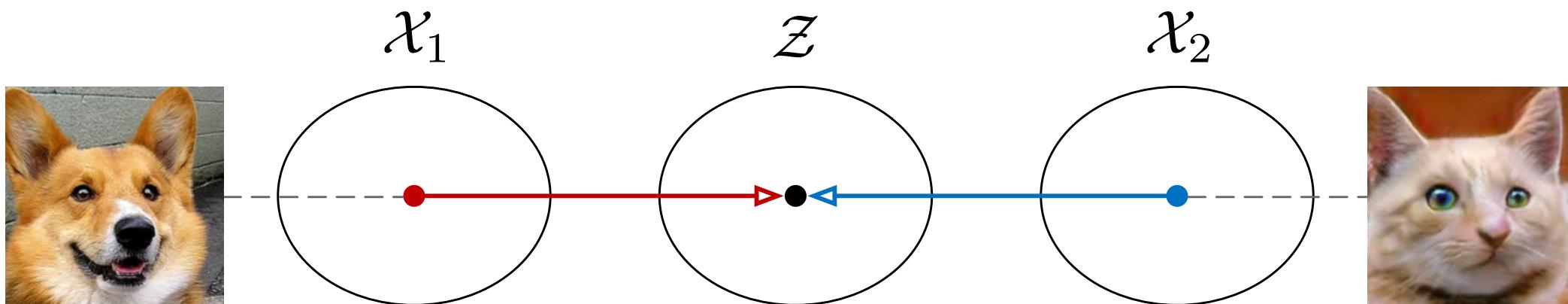
- UNIT (**shared latent space**) [Liu et al. 2017]

shared latent space  $\Rightarrow$  cycle consistency



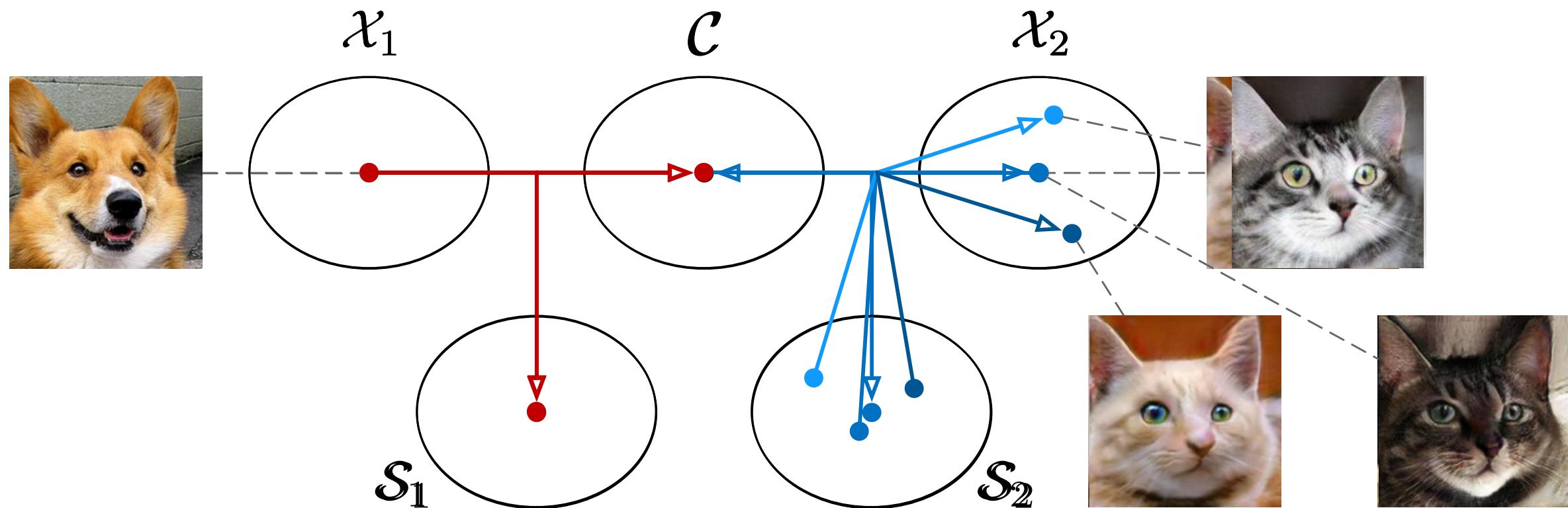
# Disentangling the Latent Space

- UNIT
  - A single **shared, domain-invariant** latent space  $\mathcal{Z}$

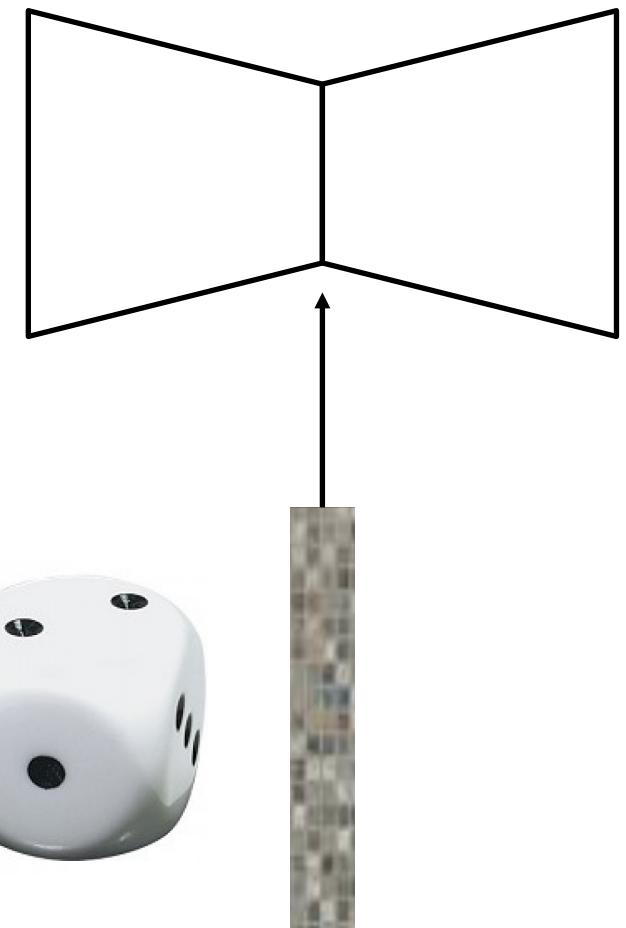
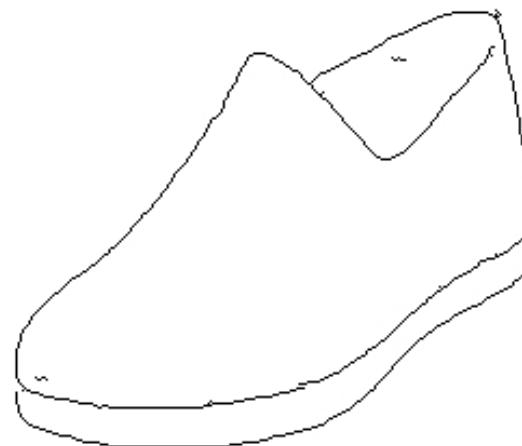


# Disentangling the Latent Space

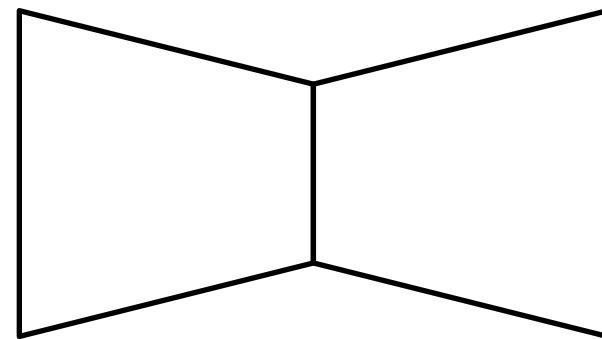
- Multimodal UNIT (MUNIT)
  - A **content** space  $\mathcal{C}$  that is **shared, domain-invariant**
  - Two **style** spaces  $\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2$  that are **unshared, domain-specific**



# Unimodality



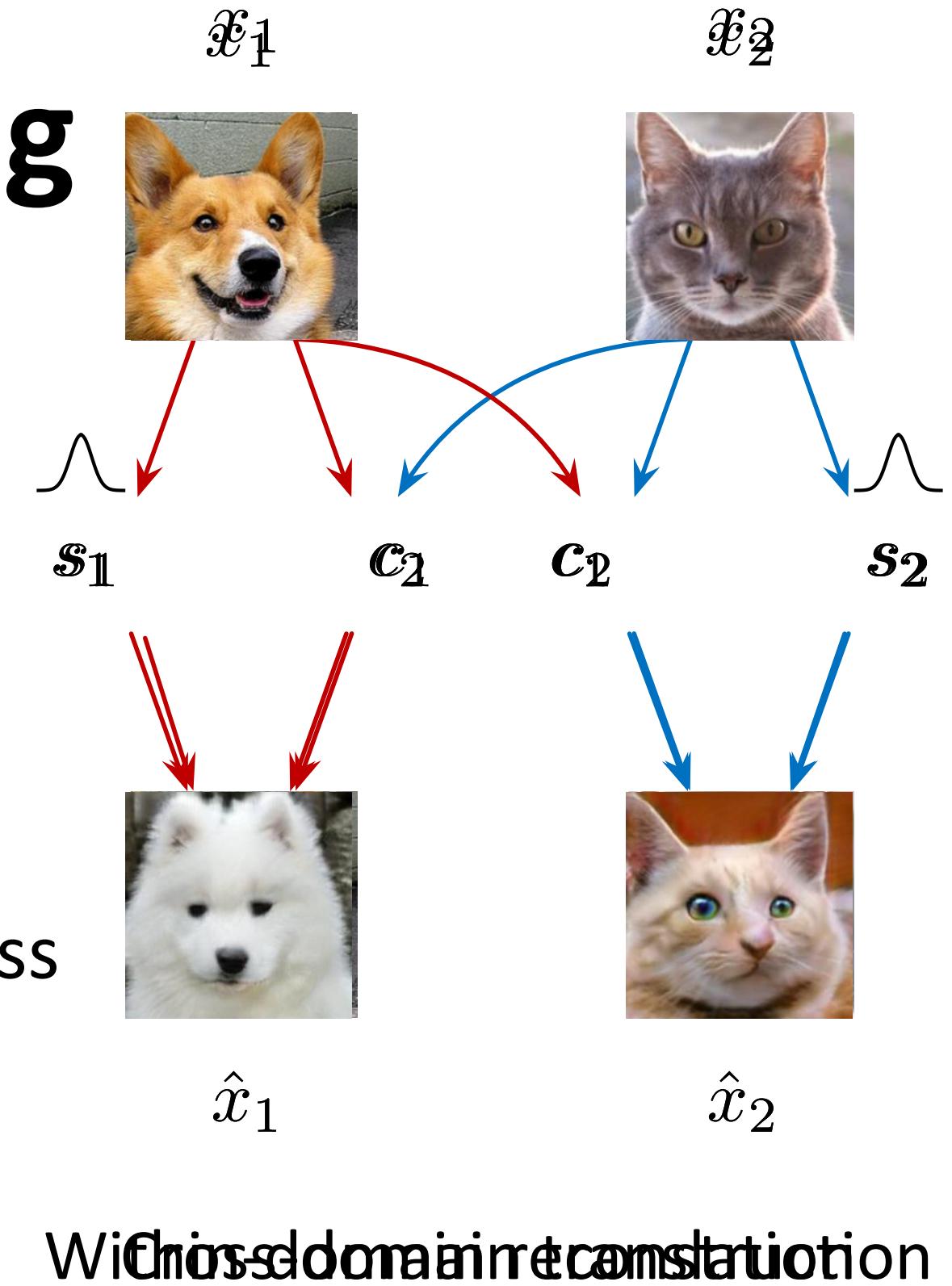
# Towards Multimodality



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# Training

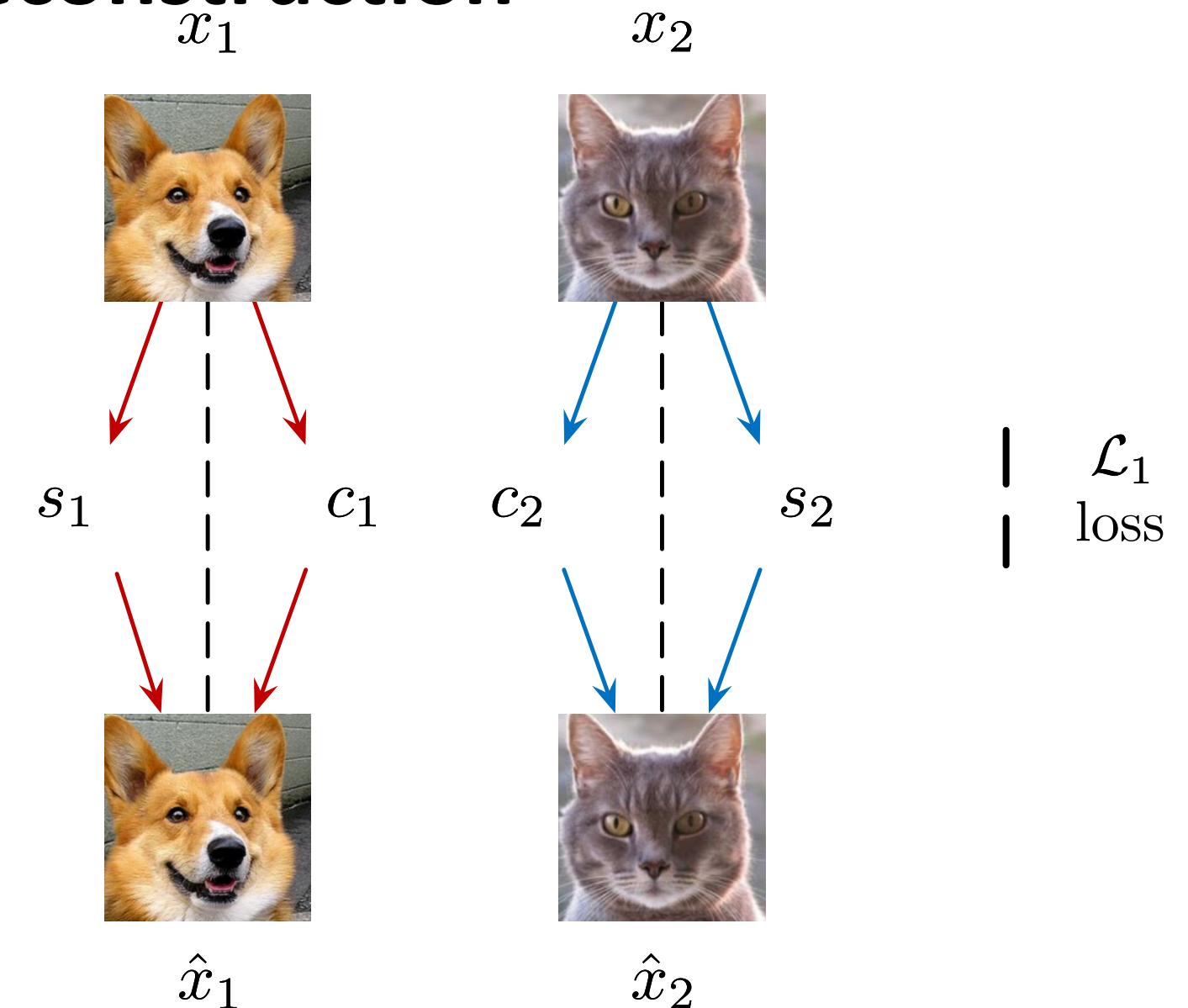
- Notations:
  - $x$ : images
  - $c$ : content
  - $s$ : style
- Loss:
  - Bidirectional reconstruction loss
    - Image reconstruction loss
    - Latent reconstruction loss
  - GAN loss



# Bidirectional Reconstruction Loss: Image Reconstruction

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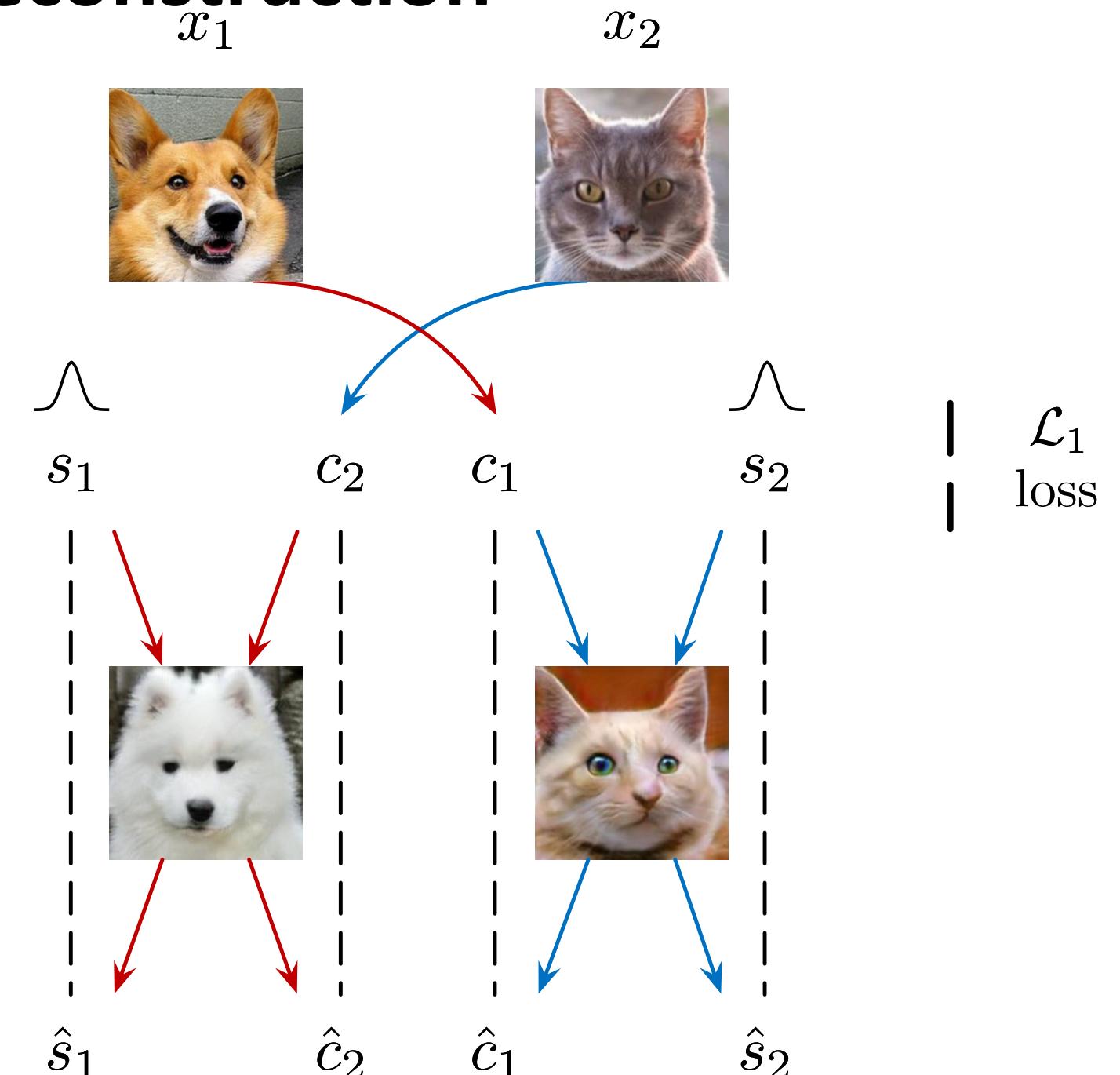
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# Bidirectional Reconstruction Loss: Image Reconstruction

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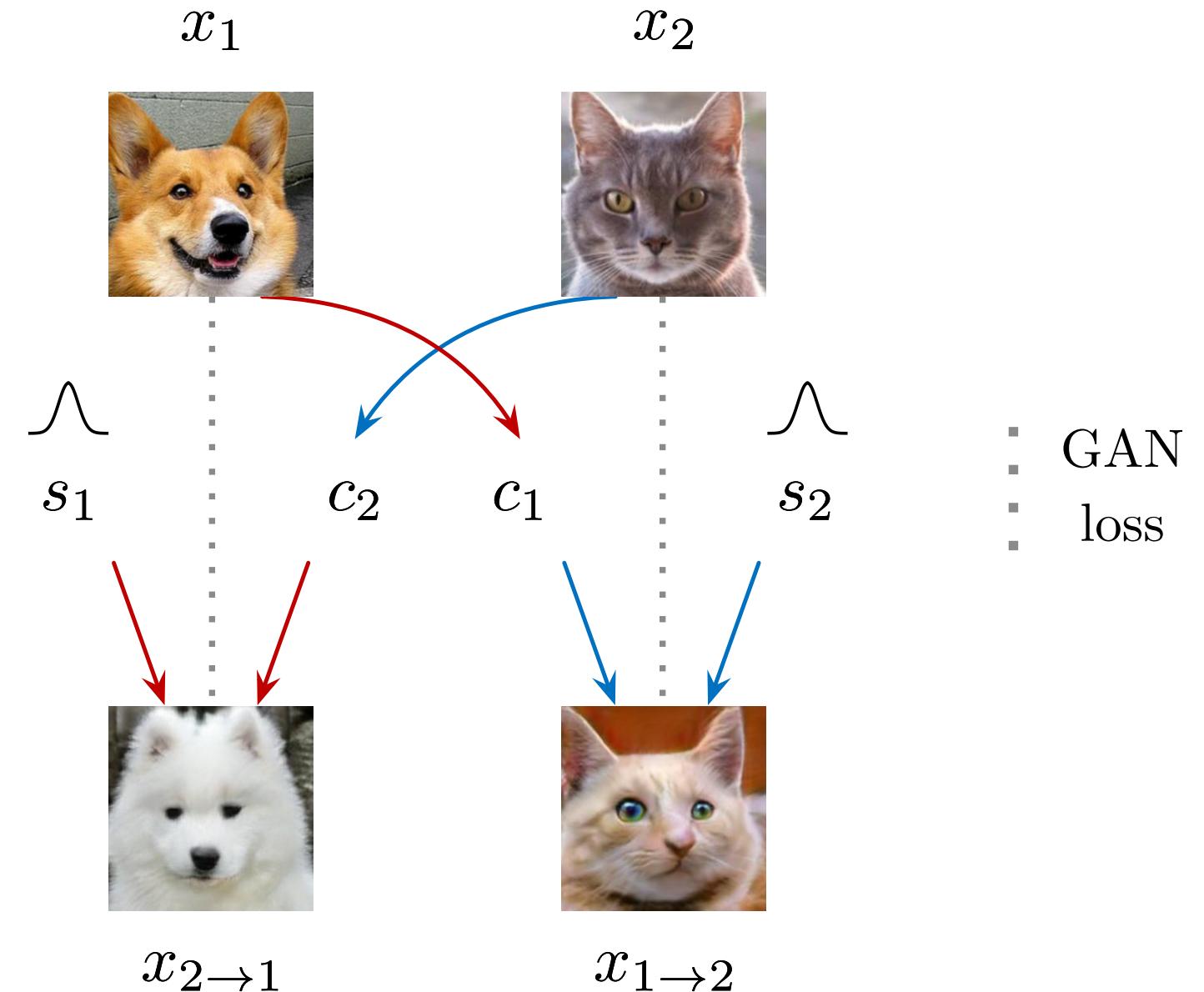
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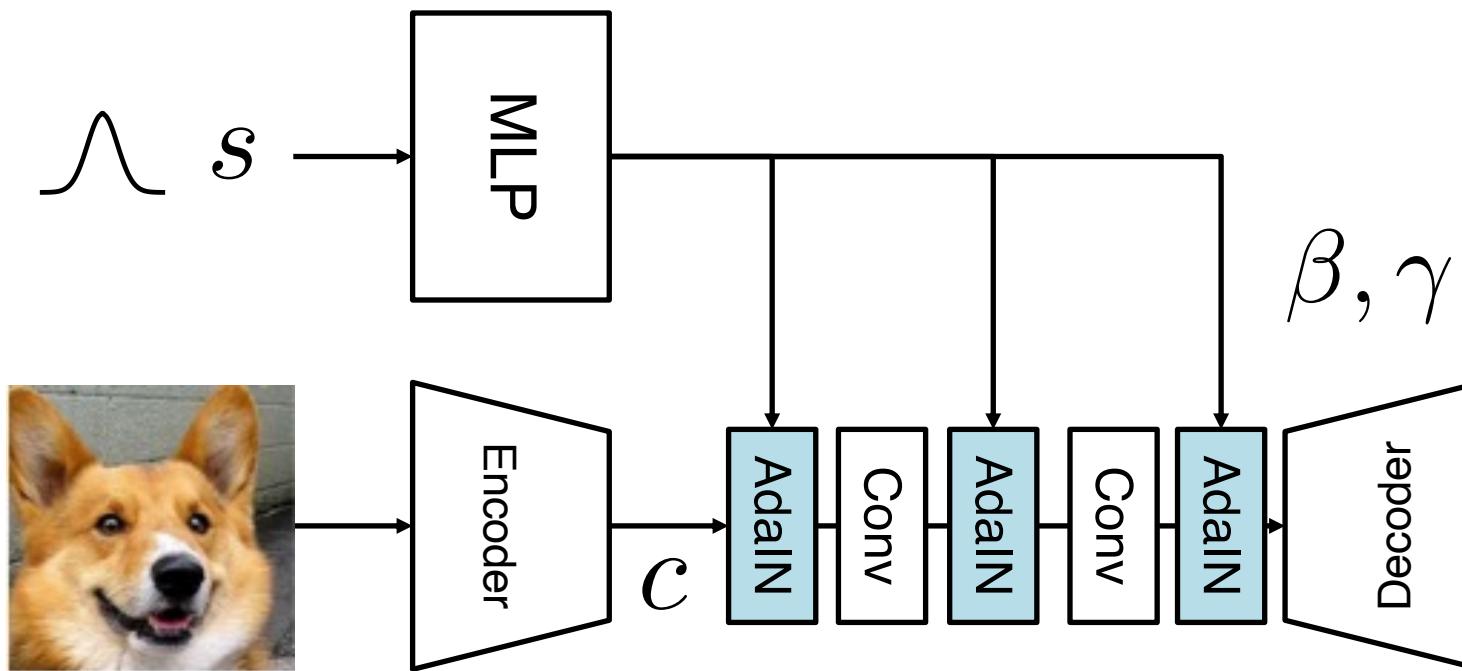
# GAN Loss

Notations:

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# AdaIN in a Generative Network

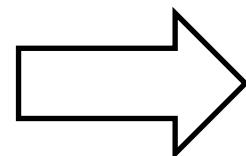


$$\text{AdaIN}(c, s) = \gamma \left( \frac{c - \mu(c)}{\sigma(c)} \right) + \beta$$

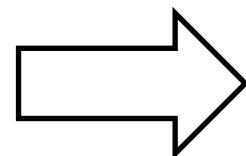
AdaIN in a generative network

# Sketches <-> Photo

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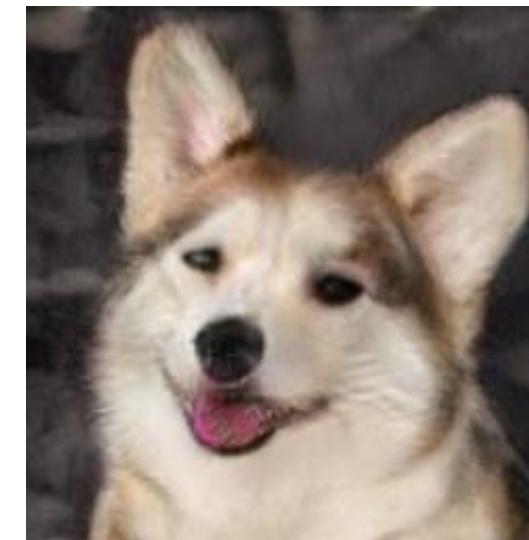
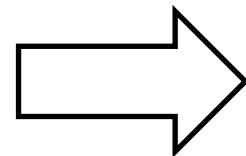


Outputs

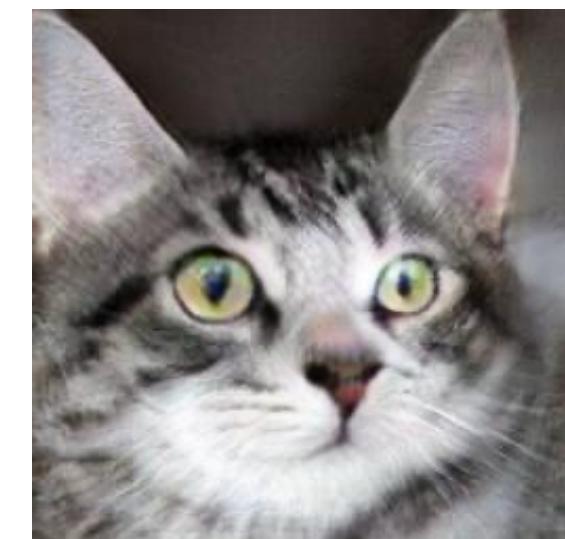
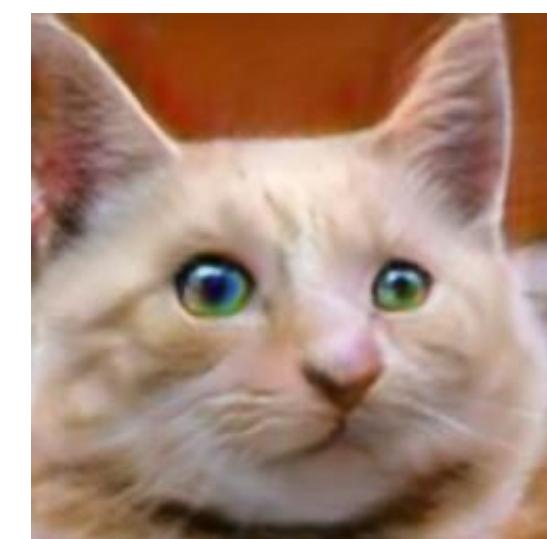
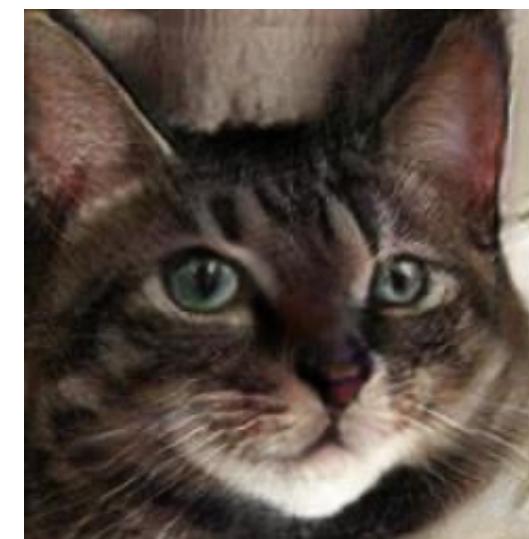
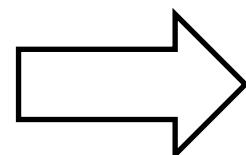
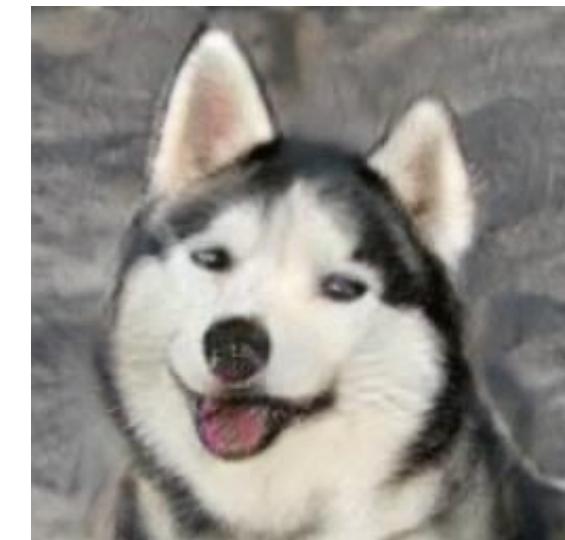


# Cats ↔ Dogs

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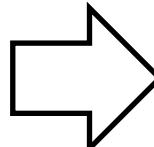


Outputs

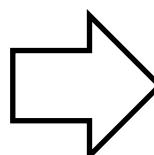


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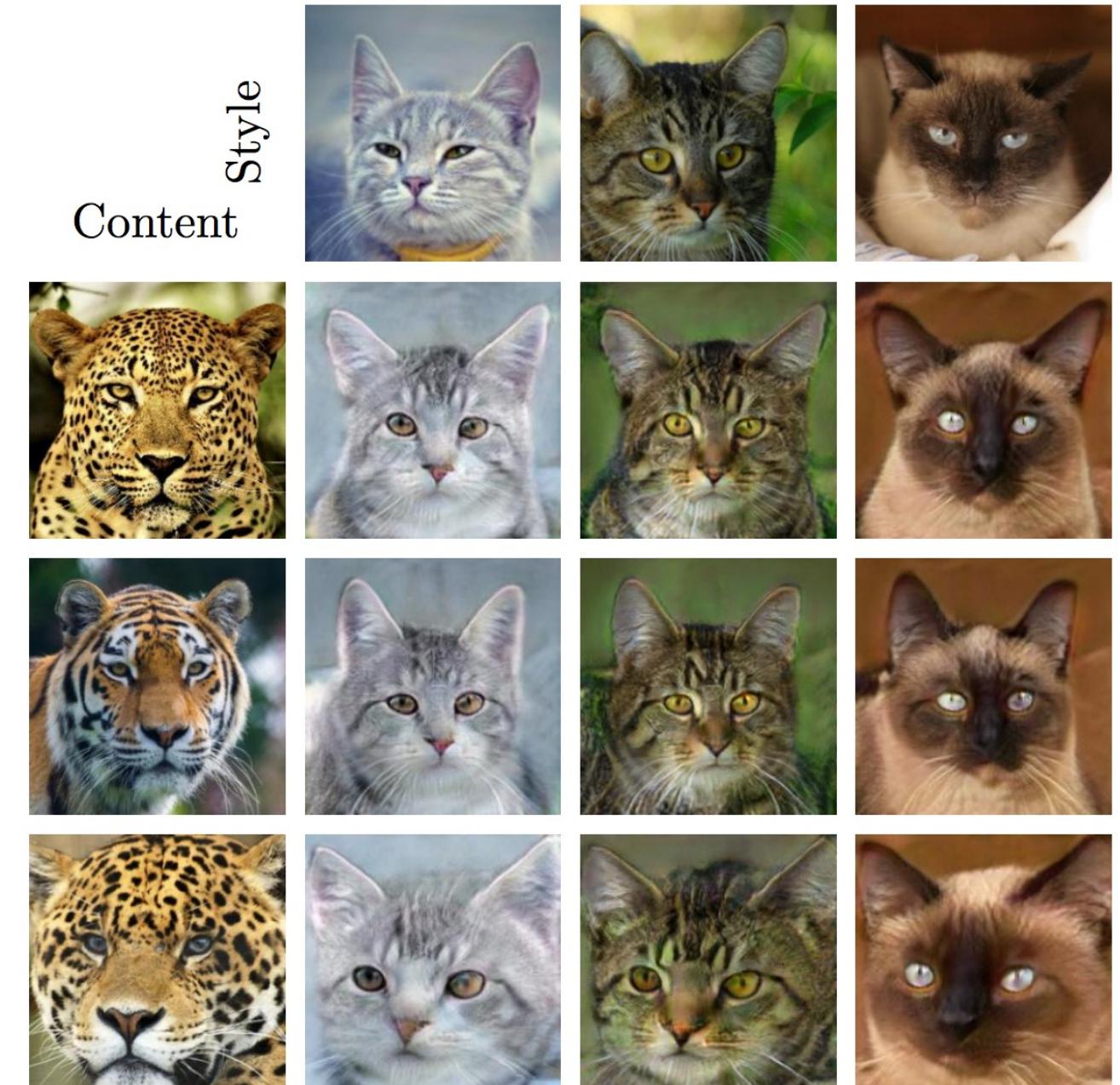
Input



Outputs



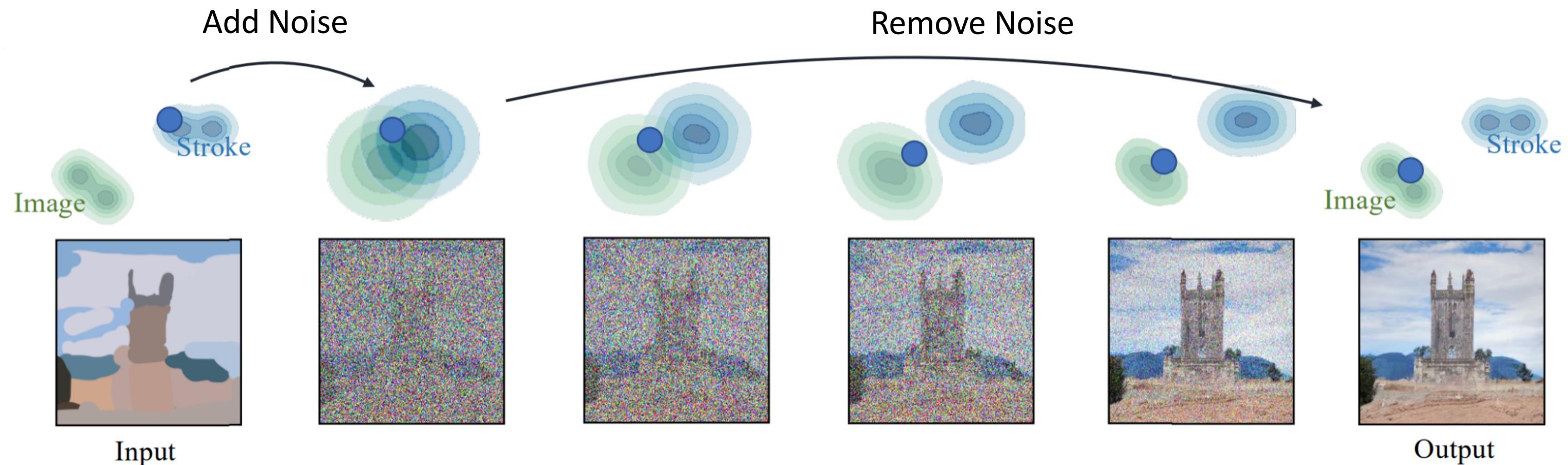
# Example-guided Translation



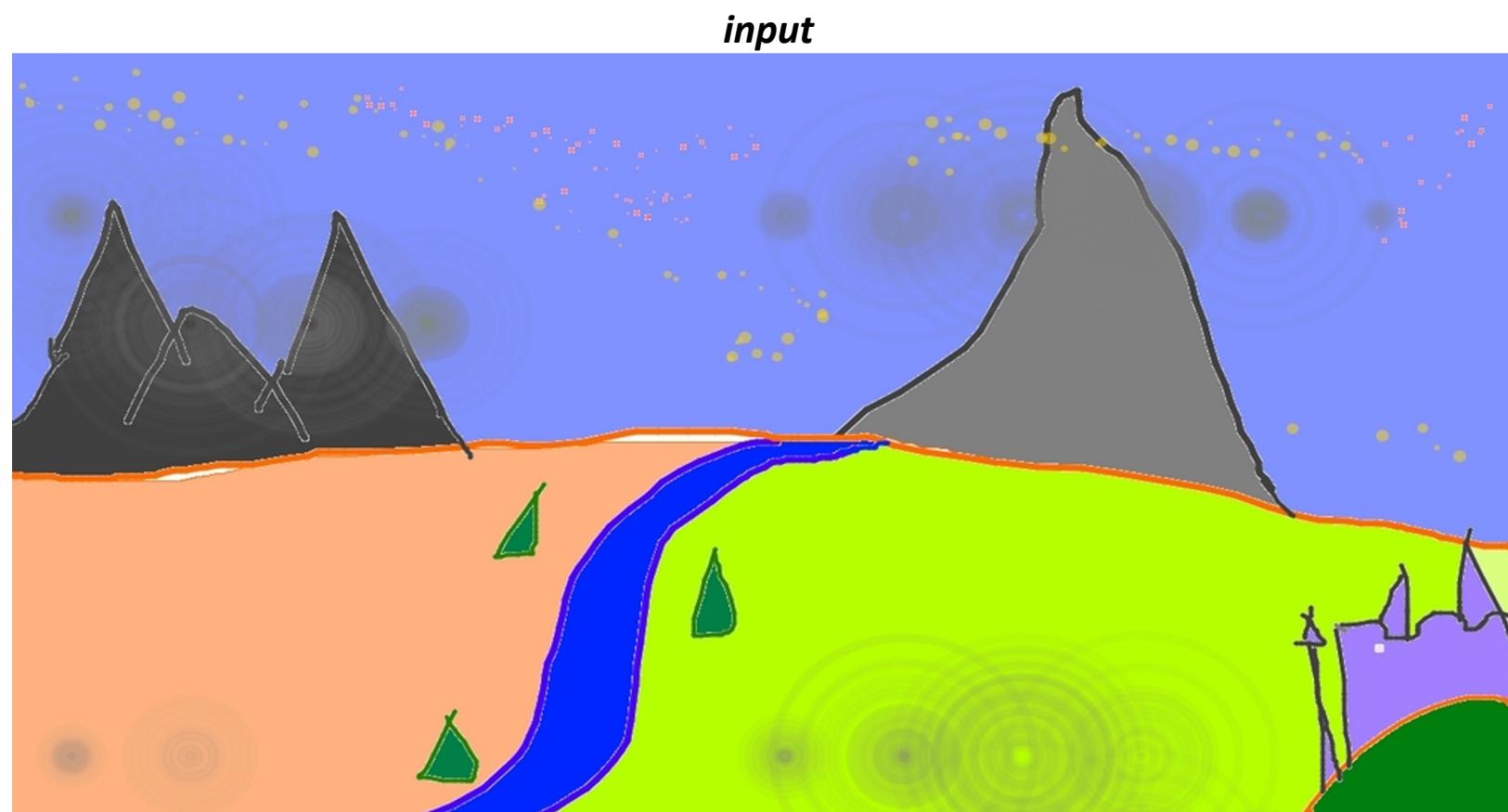
# Image-to-Image Translation with Diffusion Models

# Guided Image Synthesis

SDEdit (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.01073>) recipe: diffuse → denoise

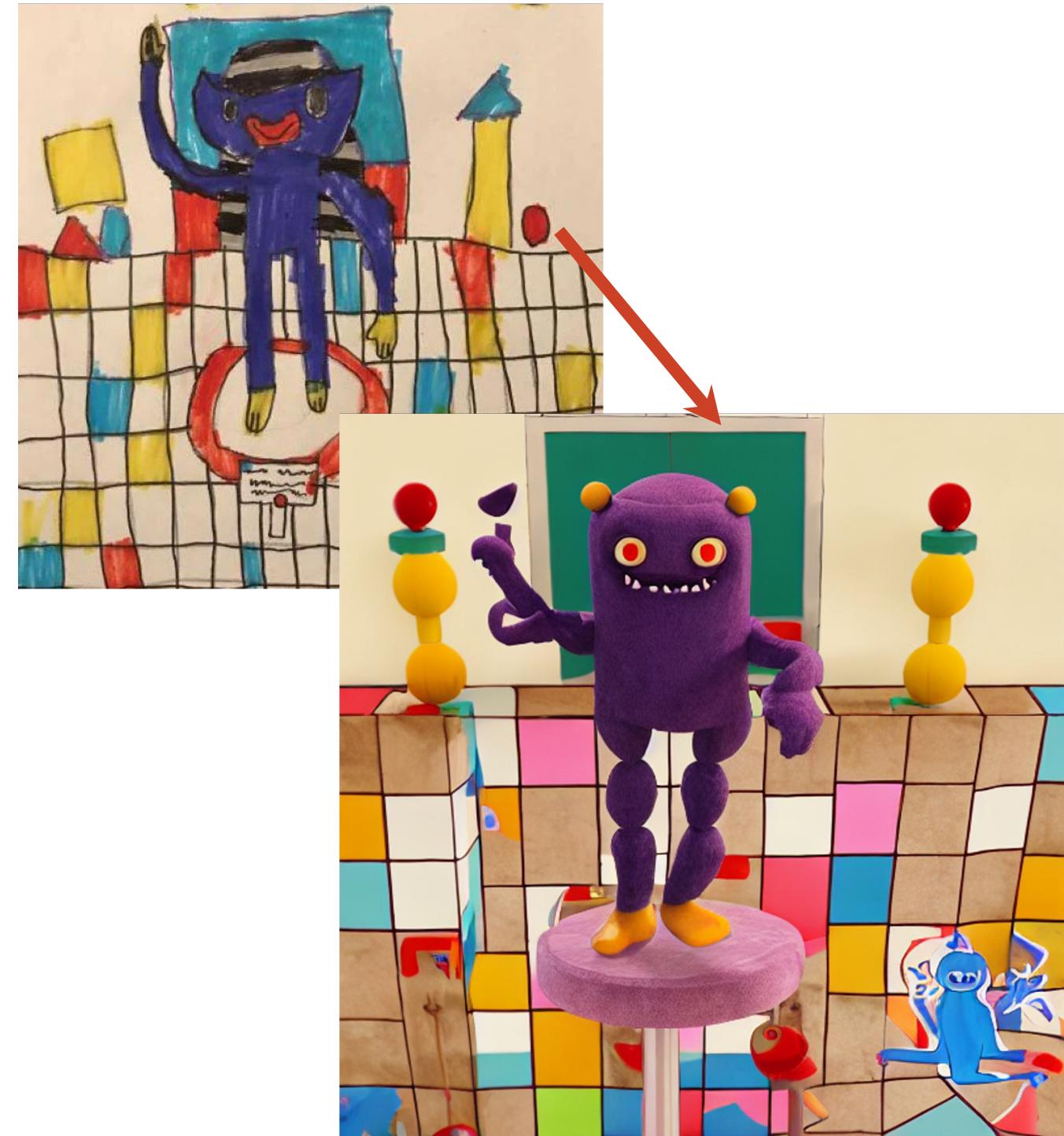


# Guided Image Synthesis

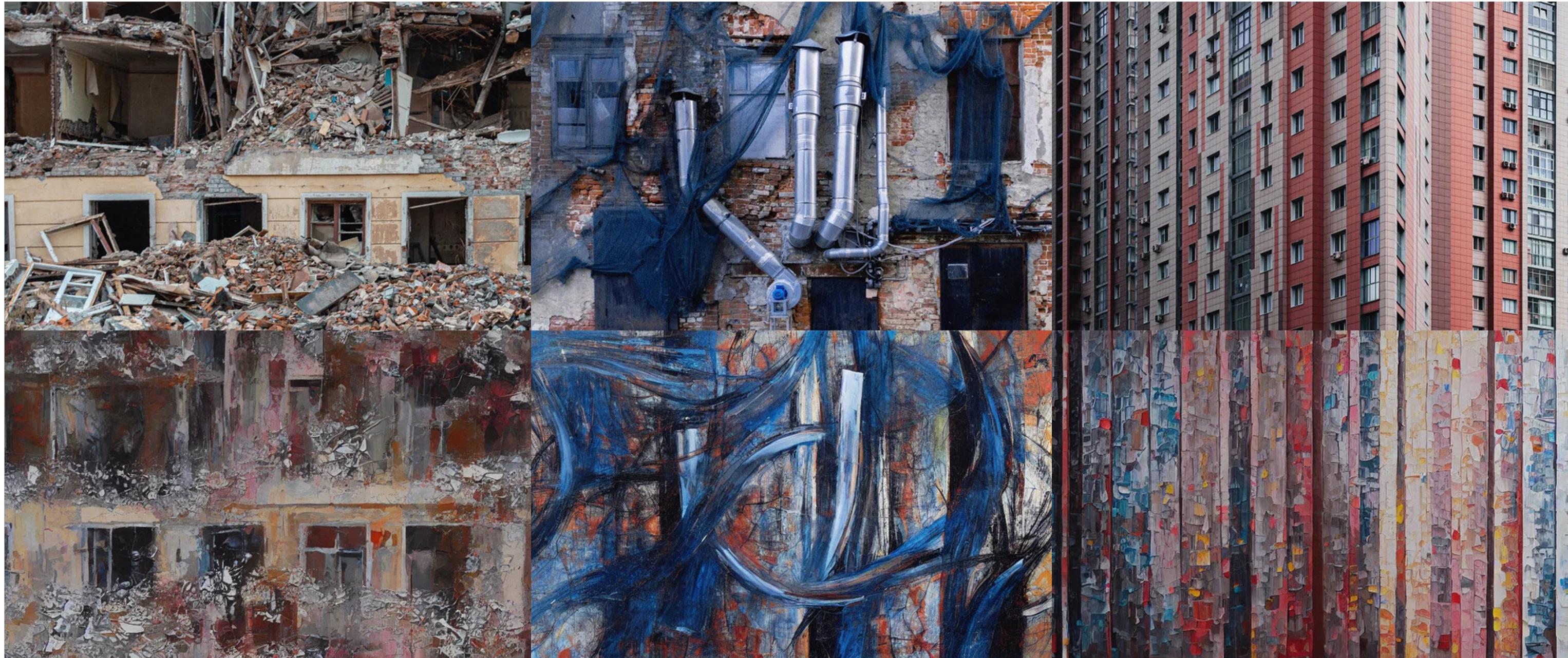




# “Upgrade” your child’s artwork



# abstract art from photos



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# Thank You!



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