

# Photorealistic Style Transfer



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# What is Style Transfer

## Two images

- One image served as a content image,  $c$
- Another image served as a style image,  $s$

## Change style of $c$ to style of $s$

- having original  $c$  structure
- Just change style
  - Defining what is “style” is a hard problem
  - Here, style means just texture, color and so on

# What is Style Transfer



[Content Image,  $c$ ]



[Style Image,  $s$ ]

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[Content Image,  $c$ ]



[Style Image,  $s$ ]



[Transferred Image]



# What is Style Transfer



[Transferred Image]

- Here Transferred Image maintains original structure of the content image
- However the style changes to “Starry Night”

# How To Transfer Style

## **Parametric Methods**

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- Feed-forward based

## **Non-Parametric Methods**

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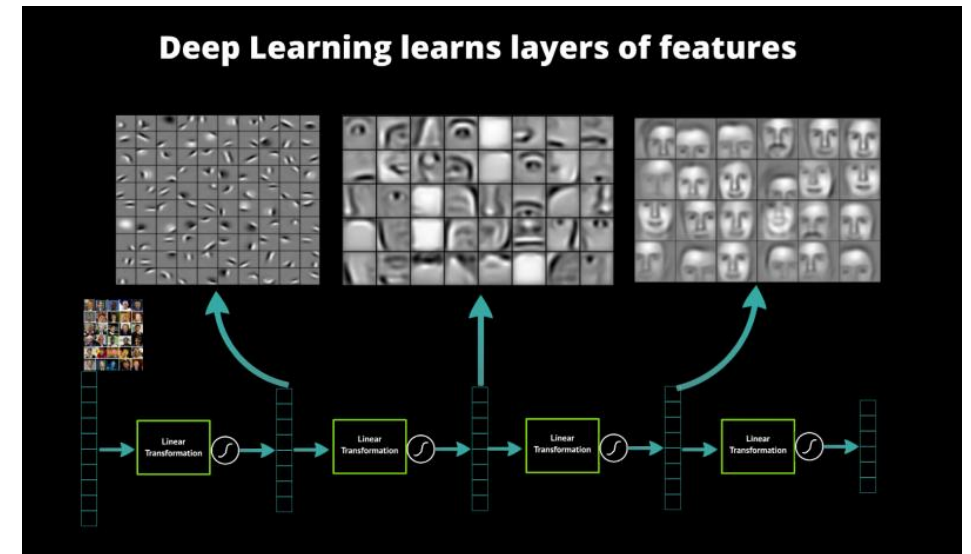
# How To Transfer Style

## Parametric Methods

- Optimization based → Gatys et al.
- Feed-forward based → AdaIN / WCT

# Major Methods – Gatys et al.

- The very first paper defined the field
- Optimization based
- Uses pretrained CNN model (especially VGG)
  - Assume that the model captures some information about the input
    - If the models works well, it does extract edges and so on
    - Thus the feature map in the middle layer itself can be used as content feature



# Major Methods – Gatys et al.

$$G_{ij}^l = \sum_k F_{ik}^l F_{jk}^l.$$

- What about style?
  - Defined by feature correlation, “Gram” Matrix
  - you can think them similar to covariance matrix

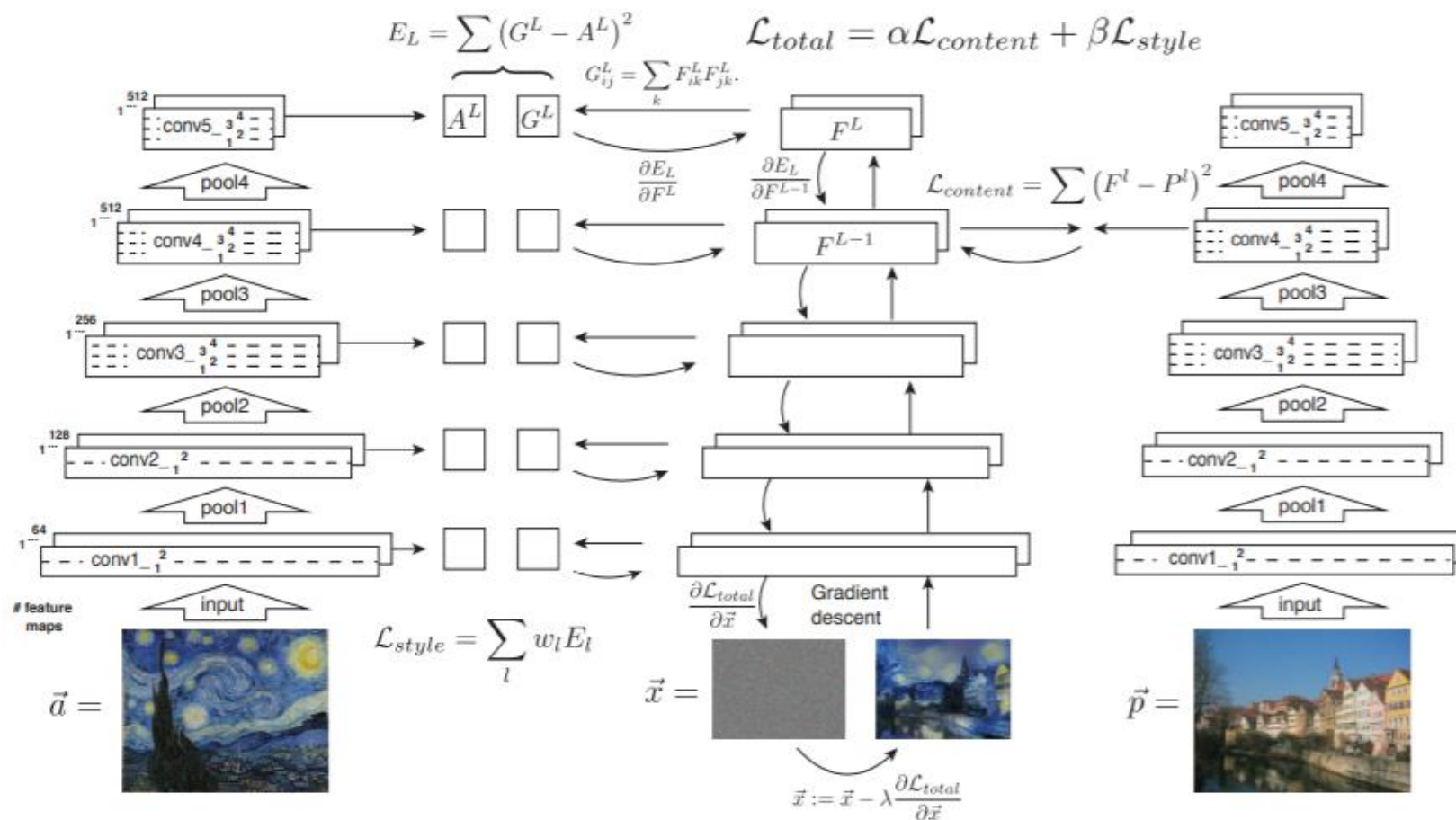
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def gram_matrix(input):  
    a, b, c, d = input.size() # a=batch size(=1)  
    # b=number of feature maps  
    # (c,d)=dimensions of a f. map (N=c*d)  
  
    features = input.view(a * b, c * d) # resize F_XL into What F_XL  
  
    G = torch.mm(features, features.t()) # compute the gram product  
  
    # we 'normalize' the values of the gram matrix  
    # by dividing by the number of element in each feature maps.  
    return G.div(a * b * c * d)
```

# Major Methods – Gatys et al.

We can think style transfer as

- Make content feature's statistics closer to “style statistics”

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## Definition of loss

- Content loss
  - Difference of feature between transferred image and content image
- Style loss
  - Difference of gram matrix between transferred image and style image

## Initialize transferred image with random noises

Consecutively “optimize” the transferred image to minimize above losses



# Major Methods – Gatys et al.

- The quality is much better than other methods
- However the optimization based methods have some flaws
  - It takes much time for the optimization
  - Only one image can be transferred at once

# Major Methods – Feed-Forward

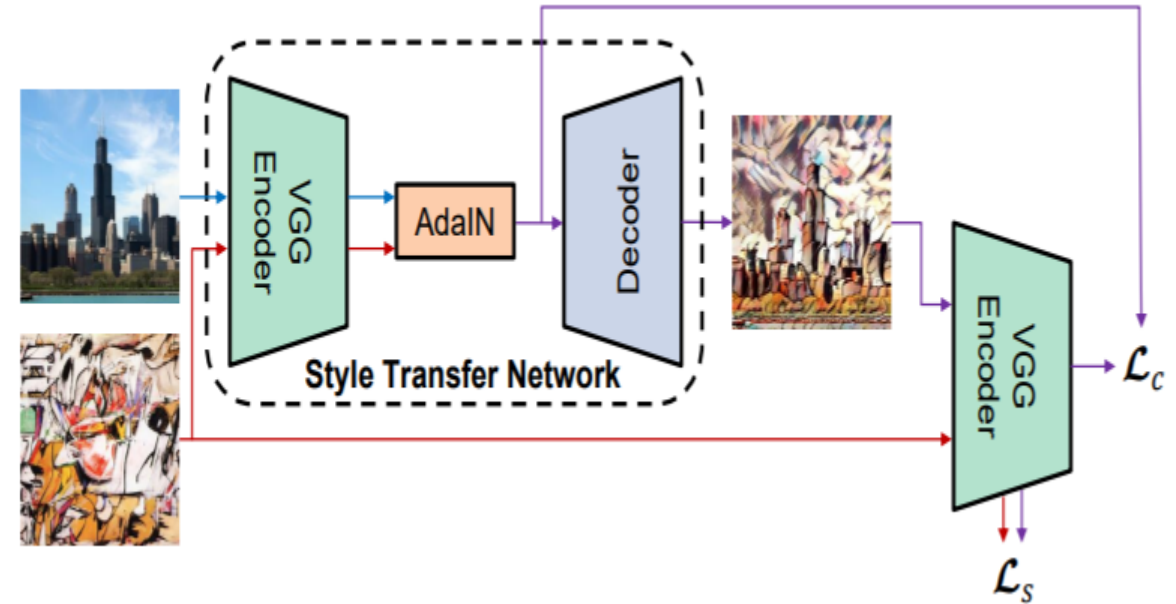
- After Gatys et al. there are many researches developing style transfer methods. Their objectives can be summarized.
  - Make more faster methods
  - With no degradation of transferred images' quality
- Researchers proposed models using feed-forward.
  - By single feed-forward path, we can get transferred images
  - By using batch, we can transfer more than one image at once
  - However we need to train decoder
    - Once the decoder is trained, freeze it and transfer arbitrary pairs
    - Here, the methods to train decoders are omitted

# Major Methods – Feed-Forward

- Content features are same as before
  - Just feature maps in the middle layer of VGG
- The point is how to define “style”
  - What statistics we can use for “style”?

# Major Methods - AdaIN

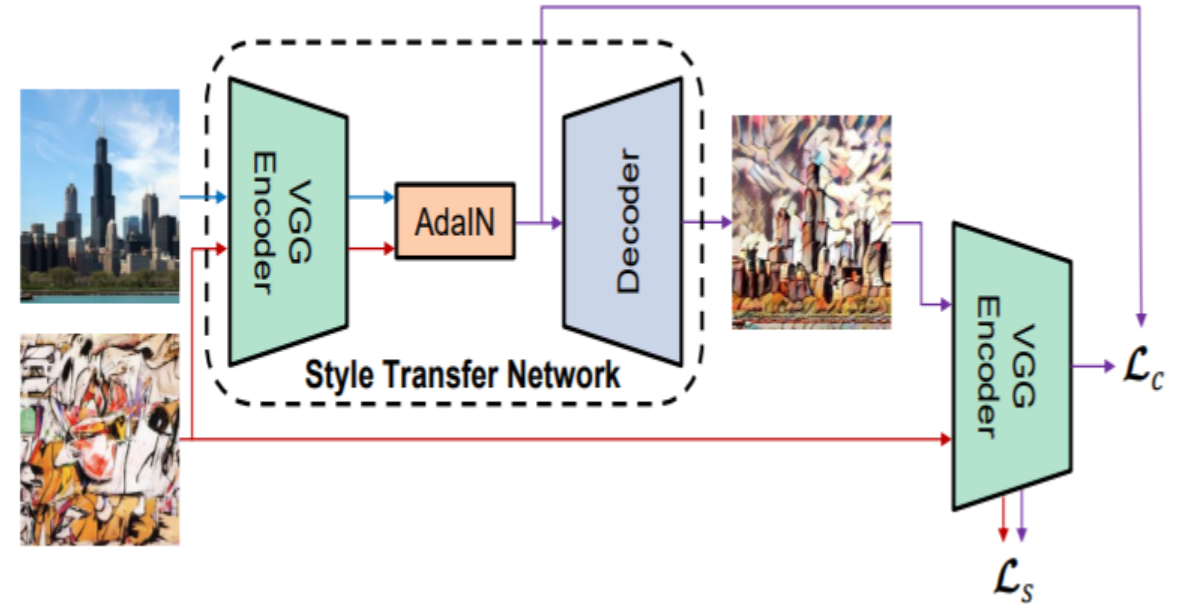
- One might think that “Why don’t we use mean and variance?”
- AdaIN implements that idea



# Major Methods - AdaIN

- AdaIN module
  - Standardize the content feature
  - And then transfer it with style feature

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



# Major Methods – WCT

- WCT uses more complicated statistics
  1. Center content vector by subtracting its mean

2. Then by using eigen decomposition, “whitening” the feature  $f_c f_c^\top = E_c \bar{D}_c E_c^\top$ 
  - If you just decode the whitened feature, it lose some color and texture information
  - Thus in eigen decomposition, there exists some style information

$$\hat{f}_c = E_c D_c^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_c^\top f_c$$





# Major Methods - WCT

- WCT uses more complicated statistics
  1. Center Style vector by subtracting its mean
  2. Then by using eigen decomposition, “Coloring” the feature
$$\hat{f}_{cs} = E_s D_s^{\frac{1}{2}} E_s^{\top} \hat{f}_c$$
  3. Re-center it with style mean
  4. By decoding this feature, you can get the stylized image

# Photorealistic

Style Image



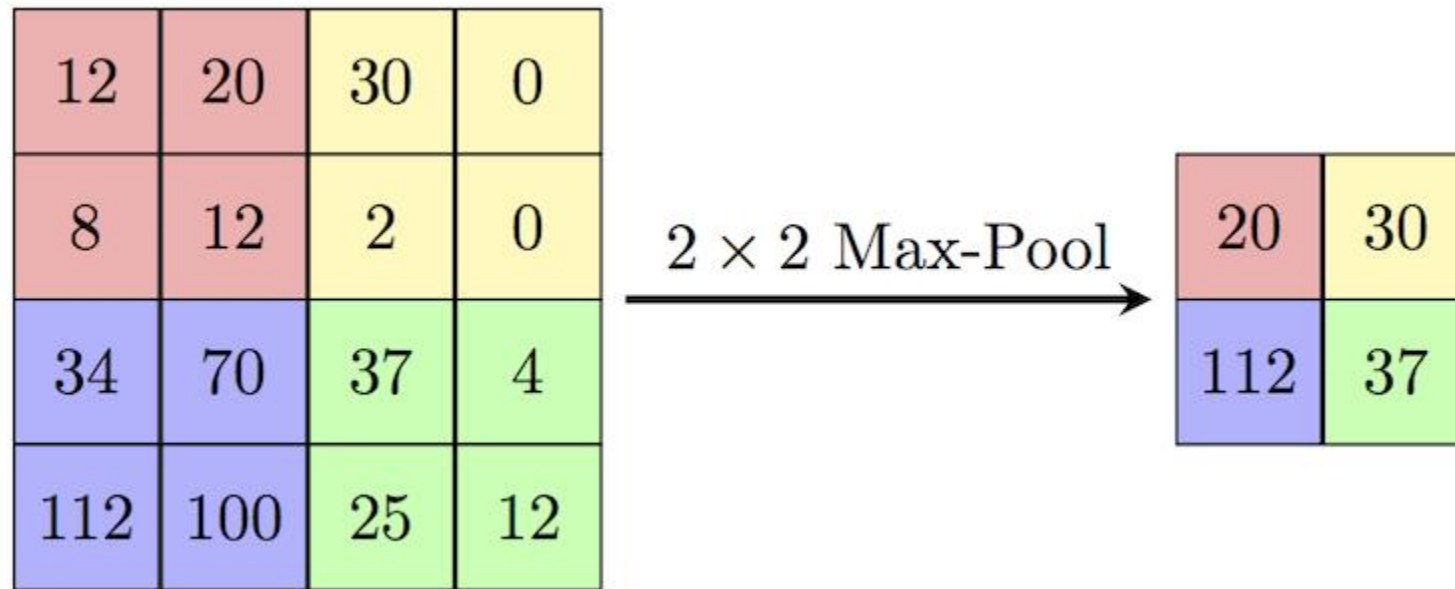
Content Image



- What if both content and style images are real photo?
  - Day to night, summer to winter and so on
  - Result must be look like realistic
  - We have to maintain the original content structure
- Ordinary style transfer methods make some distortion in transferred images
- Why?

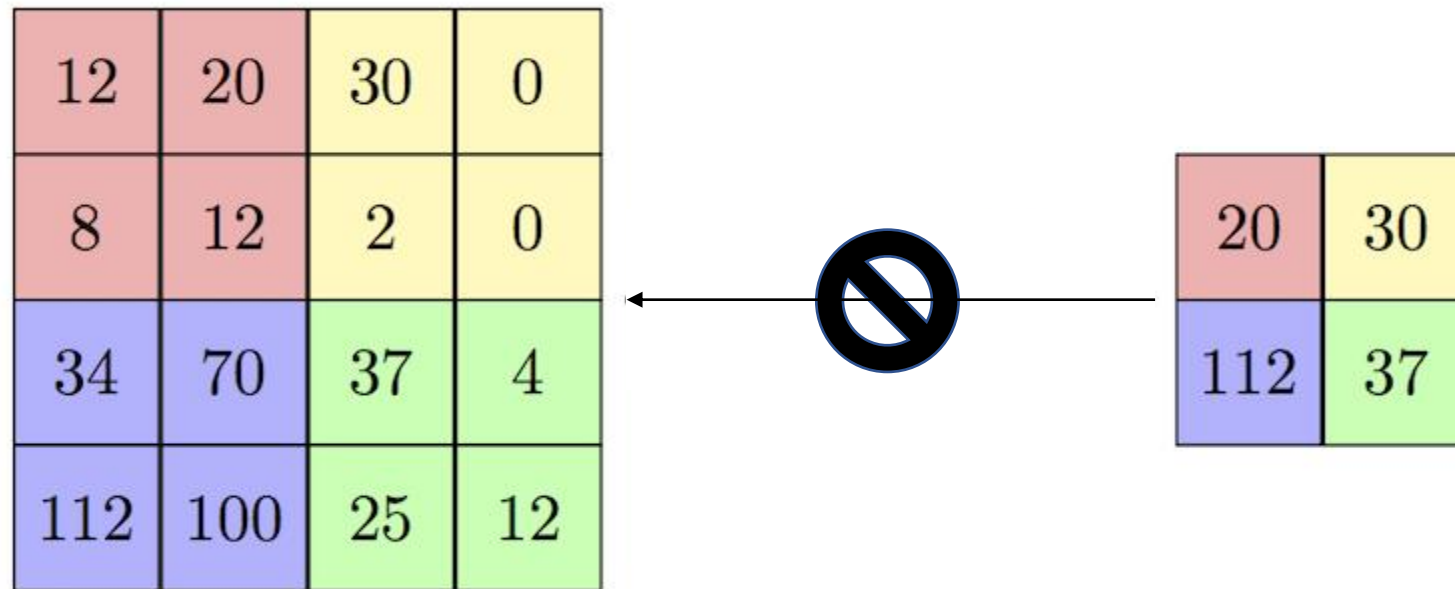
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- Max pooling layer “compresses” the information  
→ the feature after pooling loses some information
- If you use CNN, you cannot restore original information
- In photorealistic style transfer, there exists some distortion in the results
  - The original content information is gone
  - Cannot remain original content structure

# Photorealistic

- Max pooling layers are the problem
- What if we change them with other methods?



# Wavelet Pooling

- Wavelet is used for signal processing
- It satisfies “perfect reconstruction”
  - It means you can reconstruct original image even after wavelet pooling
  - After the wavelet pooling, the feature map is decomposed to four smaller features
  - By using “wavelet unpooling”, you can get the original feature map

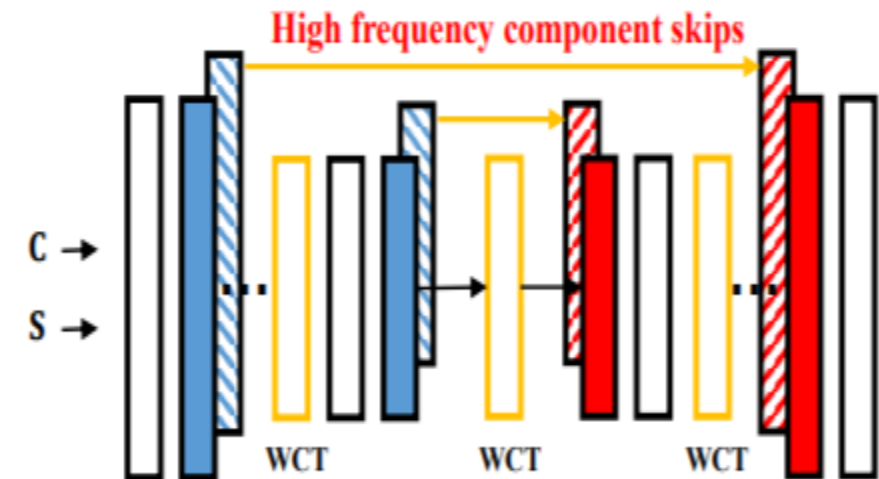
# Wavelet Pooling



- The four components after wavelet pooling
- Top left has almost every texture information
- And other three have structural information

# Wavelet Pooling

- Thus by stylizing only texture information and maintain other three information, we can restore original content structure with style transferred



# Result

\* All results are stylized with segmentation map for better stylization





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# Failure Case

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# Further Improvement

- For qualitative stylization, you need segmentation map
  - Maybe we can use semantic mapping for automated guidance
- The network saves original structure information “too well”
  - If there is a mistake when you get a segmentation map, it will highlight that part
  - Need to soothe it

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