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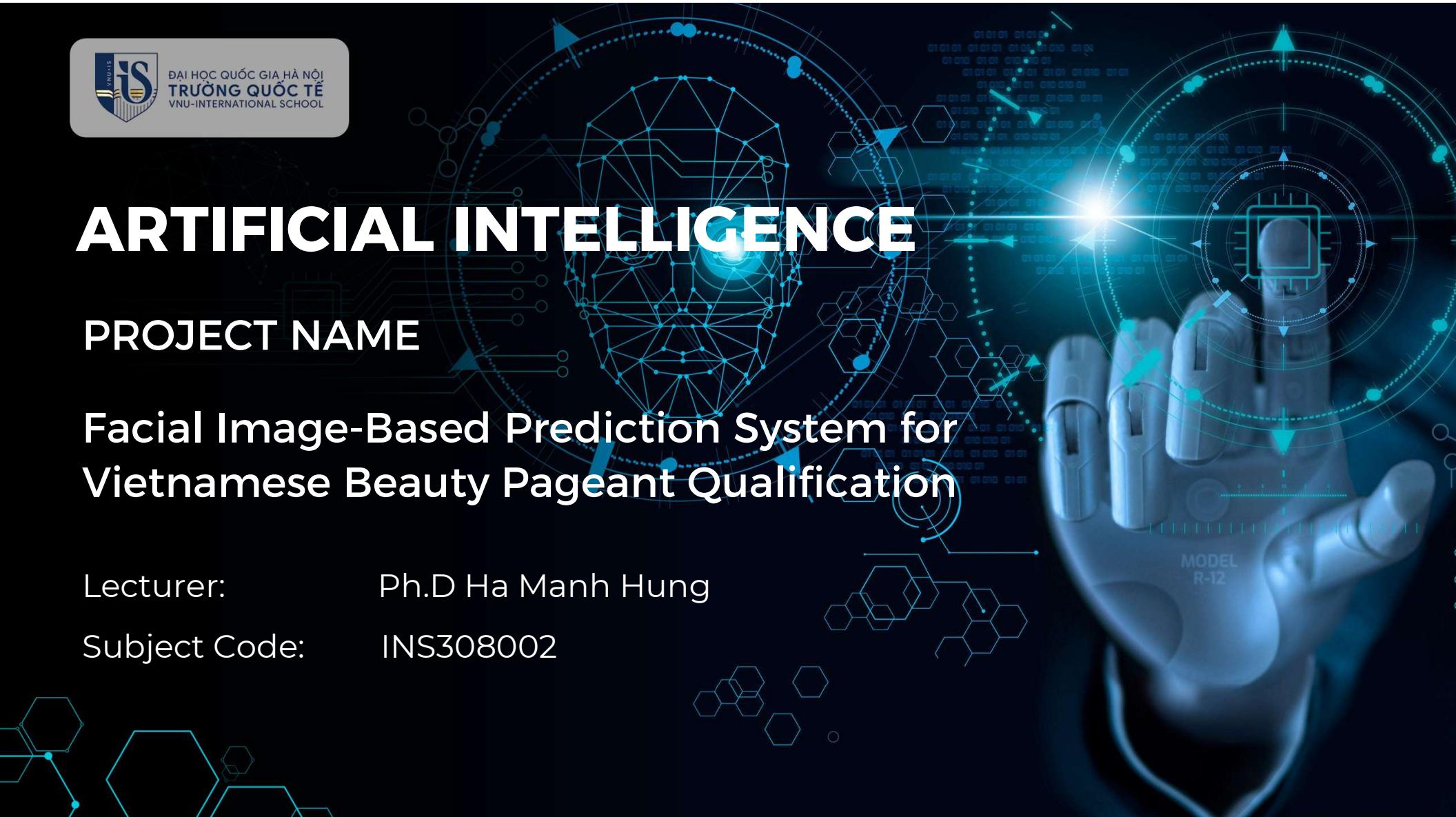
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

PROJECT NAME

Facial Image-Based Prediction System for
Vietnamese Beauty Pageant Qualification

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PROJECT OUTLINE

I. Introduction



Introduction

01 Industry Background

- Facial beauty has long fascinated humanity, from ancient times to the modern day.
- Research shows that features such as symmetry, averageness, and clear skin are strongly linked to perceived attractiveness.
- While beauty can be subjective, there is evidence of cross-cultural agreement, suggesting some objective elements.
- Previous machine learning models have struggled to capture human-like perception of beauty.

02 Problem Statement

- There is a lack of deep learning models trained on culturally relevant beauty standards in Vietnam.
- Existing models are limited in both feature extraction and cultural sensitivity.
- Key challenge: How to build a model that accurately predicts facial beauty based on Vietnamese aesthetic preferences?



Introduction

03 Motivation

- Advances in AI and computer vision enable new methods for automated beauty assessment.
- This project focuses on Vietnamese standards of beauty, unlike prior works based on global datasets.
- Data is collected from national beauty pageants and contestants' social media profiles.
- Potential applications include AI beauty tech, smart content moderation, and cultural research.

04 Objectives

- Develop a deep learning model to predict beauty scores from labeled portrait images.
- Evaluate state-of-the-art architectures like MobileNetV2, ResNet50, and EfficientNetB3.
- Explore use cases in virtual makeup, personalized filters, and aesthetic image curation.
- Promote ethical awareness and social responsibility in applying AI to subjective traits like beauty.



II. Dataset



Dataset Collection



Source:

Large-scale beauty contests held in Vietnam



Custom Dataset

1,000+ high-quality frontal portraits, Neutral lighting, minimal background distractions

Systematic file naming convention

Format: [PageantAbbreviation][Year][Index].jpg

Example: MU20241.jpg = Miss Universe Vietnam 2024, Image #1



Attractiveness Rating and Labeling Scheme



Labeling based on official placement in beauty pageants:

🏅 Scoring rules:

- 5 – Winner ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
- 4 – 1st & 2nd Runner-up ⭐⭐⭐⭐☆
- 3 – Top 3–10 ⭐⭐⭐☆☆
- 2 – Top 11–20 ⭐⭐☆☆☆
- 1 – From top 20 onwards ⭐☆☆☆☆

Structured rating file: label.csv

📄 Columns: Filename, Rating, Original Rating

→ Used for model training & evaluation



Data preprocessing

Data Loading

- `download_data()`: extract image
- `get_labels_dict()`: file name mapping rating
- Data labeled from 1-5

Image Processing

- Convert BGR → RGB
- Resize to 350×350 pixels
- Normalization → [0-1]
- Save as X (image) & y (label)

Data Splitting

- 70% training
- 20% validation
- 10% test

Data Augmentation

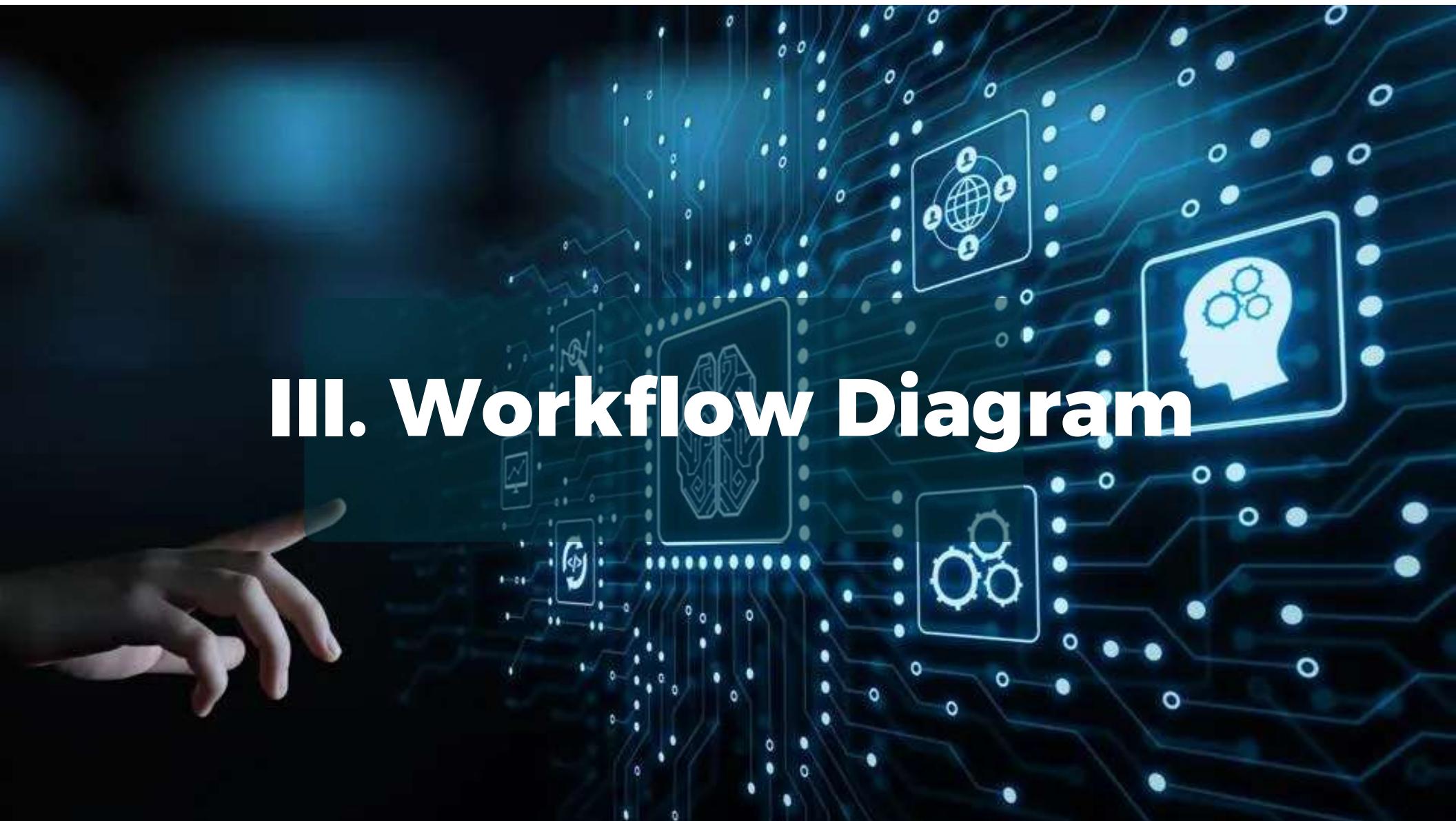
- Horizontal flip
- Rotation $\pm 40^\circ$
- Width/Height shift $\pm 10\%$
- Shear & Zoom 20%

Data Generator

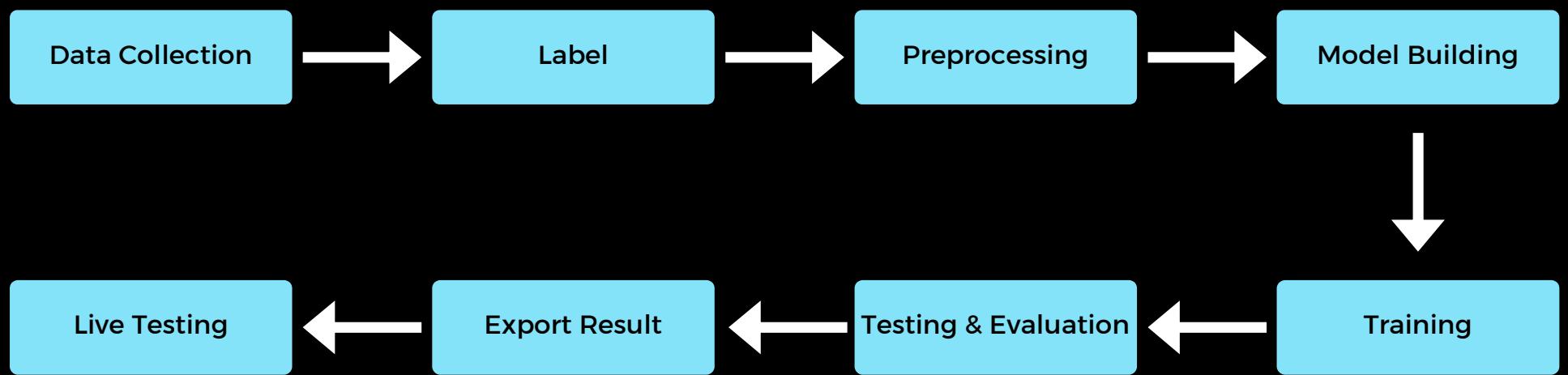
- Create train/val/test generator
- Batch size = 32
- `shuffle=False` with test
→ keep original order



III. Workflow Diagram



Workflow Diagram Of Facial Image-Based Prediction System for Vietnamese Beauty Pageant Qualification



IV. Training Models



Build the model

Build three model: MobileNetV2, ResNet50 and EfficientNetB3 from Keras and Sequential in Keras to easily combine the network layers in a linear order

```
model = Sequential()  
model.add(basemodel)  
model.add(Dense(1))
```

```
basemodel = MobileNetV2(include_top=False, pooling='avg', weights='imagenet')
```

```
1 basemodel = ResNet50(include_top=False, pooling='avg', weights='imagenet')
```

```
1 basemodel = EfficientNetB3(include_top=False, pooling='avg', weights='imagenet')
```



Multi Stage Training

Stage 1: train the custom model, which is the only fully connected layer.

- Determine the training parameters
- Base model freezing
- Compile Model
- Setup Callbacks
- Train Model

Số GPU đang sử dụng: 1
Model: "Mobinet"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
mobilenetv2_1.00_224 (Functional)	(None, 1280)	2,257,984
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 1)	1,281

Total params: 2,259,265 (8.62 MB)
Trainable params: 1,281 (5.00 KB)
Non-trainable params: 2,257,984 (8.61 MB)



Multi Stage Training

This phase is done similarly to stage 1 but the learning rate is reduced to 0.0001 and allows the entire model to be trained including the basemodel

Stage 2: Retrain the entire model with a reduced learning rate.

```
lr=0.0001  
model.trainable = True
```

V. Testing & Evaluation





Training result

Library used

matplotlib.pyplot
used to visualize the loss graph.

Method

Visualization of trend fluctuations over time:

- loss: MSE value on the training set after each epoch.
- val_loss: MSE value on the testing set after each epoch.



Stage 1

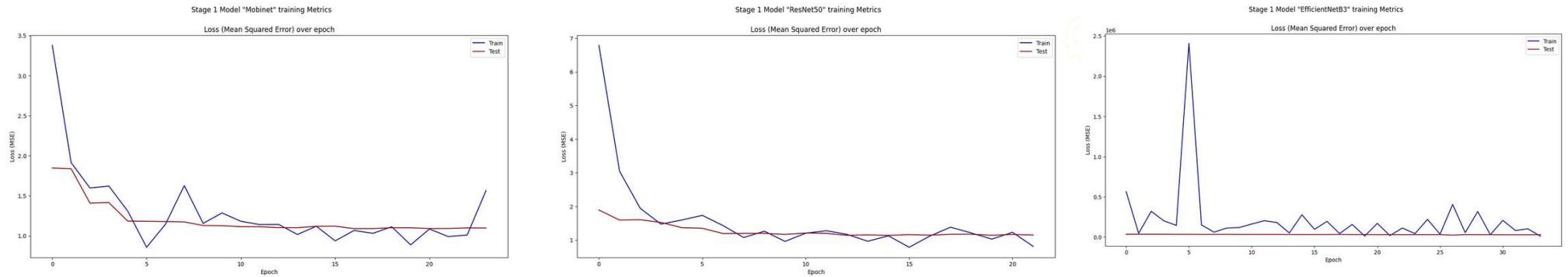


Figure: Compare Stage training results 1

MobileNetV2 exhibited stable convergence and low overfitting, suitable for real-time use. However, **ResNet50**, although slightly overfitting in Stage 1, showed the best performance in the final evaluation. **EfficientNetB3**'s unstable training behavior highlighted significant limitations in both convergence and reliability, which informed our model selection process for Stage 2.





Stage 2

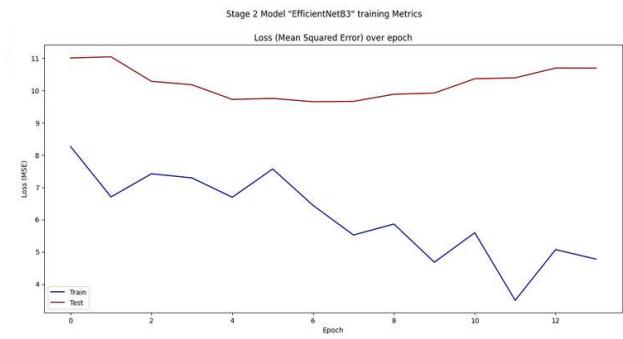
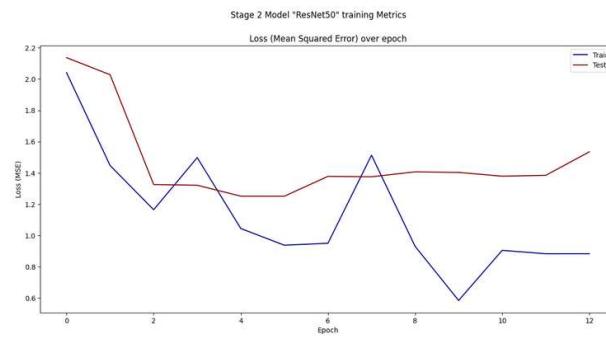
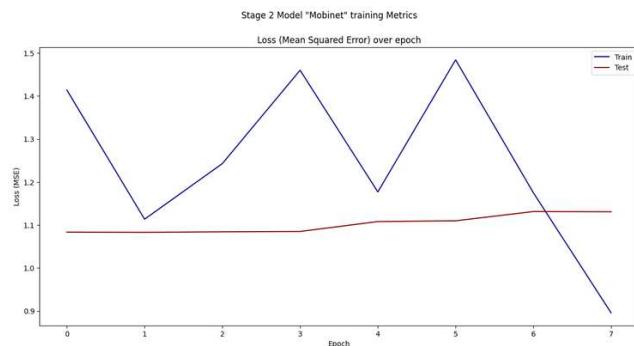


Figure: Compare Stage training results 2

ResNet50 achieved the best prediction performance despite minor overfitting signs, as validated by test-set MAE and RMSE. **MobileNetV2** maintained stability and is ideal for fast deployment. In contrast, **EfficientNetB3** showed poor generalization, making it the least suitable model under the current setup.

=> Only the head of the network was trained, as full fine-tuning led to degraded performance on the validation set.





performance evaluation

Models	RMSE	MAE
MobileNetV2	0.8897	0.8396
ResNet50	0.5285	0.5211
EfficientNetB3	8.6934	2.6947

Figure: performance evaluation

ResNet50 is the model that performs the best in this experiment for predicting face attractiveness based on both RMSE and MAE. Because of its consistent performance and lightweight design, **MobileNetV2** is still a formidable competitor. **EfficientNetB3** performs much worse, though, indicating that it would not be appropriate in the absence of bigger datasets or more fine-tuning. This highlights how crucial it is to select architectures for subjective prediction tasks like face beauty that are in line with task complexity and dataset scale.



Conclusion

The study successfully developed a deep learning model to predict the facial attractiveness of Vietnamese beauty queens, with ResNet50 achieving the best performance, followed by MobileNetV 2. The system was implemented in real-time via webcam, showing strong application potential. However, limitations include a small dataset, subjective labels, and a lack of testing under diverse conditions. Future work should focus on expanding the dataset, incorporating contextual features, and ensuring fairness and transparency in AI deployment.

