

Domain-Specific Mapping for Generative Adversarial Style Transfers

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Style Transfer

Style1



Content



Our goal is to learn style transfer.



Style Transfer

Style1





CONTENT







Style 2

Style 3





Similar style _____ Similar style _____ Similar style



Given the content and style images, we want to generate results that preserve the content information while performing style translation.

Solution - Unsupervised image-to-image translation

Examplar-guided



Huang, X., Liu, M.Y., Belongie, S., Kautz, J.: Multimodal unsupervised image-to- image translation. In: ECCV(2018)

Examplar-guided I2I translation approaches have been shown effective for style transfer.



Solution – Unsupervised image-to-image translation

Learn the mapping between two image domains



12I translation aims at learning the mapping between images of two domains. It can be employed for style transfer when given the content image in domain A and the style image in domain B.

Related Work- Unsupervised image-to-image translation

• MUNIT [Huang et al. 2018], DRIT [Lee et al. 2018]



MUNIT and DRIT have shown great success through disentangled representations.



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They decompose an image into a content feature in the shared domain-invariant content space and a style feature in the domain-specific style space.



Related Work- Unsupervised image-to-image translation

- MSGAN [Mao et al. 2019]
 - Add mode seeking loss to improve the diversity of generated images
- GDWCT [Choi et al. 2019] Apply WCT to unsupervised I2I translation

The advanced work MSGAN and GDWCT also assume the share content space. The shared space could limit representation power.



 S_{R}

Photo → Monet





For the Photo \rightarrow Monet task, the style transfer is "more global" as its success mainly counts on adjusting global attributes such as color tones and textures.









For the Dog \rightarrow Cat task, the style transfer is "more local" as its success requires more attention on local and structural semantic correspondences.

 $Dog \rightarrow Cat$







Photo → Monet







color tune, texture

However, previous I2I methods with disentangled representations often run into problems in "more local" style transfer scenarios.

 $Dog \rightarrow Cat$

content representation problem

structural semantic





Photo → Monet



more global color tune, texture

 $Dog \rightarrow Cat$

structural semantic

Our method improves the quality of translation and handles both local and global style transfer scenarios well.



improve

more local



Most I2I methods make trade-offs between content preservation and style translation.



Content











We use the figure to classify I2I methods. The x-axis shows the ability of content-preserving, and the y-axis shows the ability of style translation.



Content

Style

MUNIT

GDWCT MSGAN











































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Main Idea



(a) Previous I2I methods (MUNIT/DRIT)

To address the issue, we propose **domain-specific mapping** functions to remap the content features in the shared latent space to content spaces for different domains.



(b) Ours



 \boldsymbol{x}_{A}



 $\boldsymbol{x_B}$

In the training stage, we need to learn the mapping between domains.





Content: X_B Style: XA

Content: XA Style: XB

Method

 \boldsymbol{x}_{A}



Take the mapping A to B for example. We first encode x_A into a latent content space.



 $x_{B \to A}$



Content: XB Style: XA



Content: XA Style: XB





For the part of domain mapping.







We encode h_A into domain-invariant content space and get c_A , then use the proposed mapping $\Phi_{C \to C_R}$ to get the content feature in domain B. In the training stage, we use $c_{A \rightarrow B}$ instead of c_A .



In order to learn the mapping function, we require that its output resembles the domain-specific content feature h_A and h_B . Thus we have the domain-specific content loss.



Method

 \boldsymbol{x}_{A}



 $\boldsymbol{x_B}$

Then, combine with the style feature encoded from x_B , we can get the generated result that preserves content information in x_A while performing style translation of x_B .



 $x_{B \to A}$



Content: XB Style: XA



Content: XA Style: XB

 $\boldsymbol{\chi}_{A \to B}$

Style 1



Content



$Dog \rightarrow Cat$





Here, we show the translated results of the task dog \rightarrow cat.

Style 2



Style 3



Style 1



Result



Content



$\mathsf{Dog} \to \mathsf{Cat}$







Result

Style 2





Result



Style 3



Style 1



Result



Content



$\mathsf{Dog} \to \mathsf{Cat}$



Result





Result

Style 2





Result



Style 3



Content

Result







Result Content





$Cat \rightarrow Dog$



Result Content Result Content

Photo → Monet **Photo** → **Portrait**

There are more latent interpolated results on different tasks when given different style images.





Comparisons

We compare our method with three I2I translation methods and three style transfer methods.

Monet \leftrightarrow Photo

Content









Style









MUNIT









GDWCT









MSGAN

AdaIN









Liao et

al



Luan et al.

Ours



















$Cat \leftrightarrow Dog$

Content









































MSGAN

AdalN Liao et al. Luan et al. Ours





































$Photograph \leftrightarrow Portrait$

Content

Style

GDWCT MUNIT



































MSGAN























Liao et al. Luan et al.

























The results of MUNIT and GDWCT have the same problem that the characteristics of the species are not clear. **MSGAN** generates images with more obvious characteristics of the target species. However, it does not preserve the content information.

Our method generates much clearer results that better exhibit the characteristics of target species and preserve layouts of the content images.



The style transfer methods have poor performance due to the different assumption of styles and the use of less information.

Ours



The compared style transfer methods cannot perform cross-domain style transfer well. Thus, we only include image-to-image translation methods in the quantitative comparison.

Quantitative Comparison- FID & LPIPS

	FID ↓				_	LPIPS ↑				
	MUNIT	GDWCT	MSGAN	Ours		MUNIT	GDWCT	MSGAN	Ours	
$Cat \rightarrow Dog$	38.09	91.40	20.80	13.60		0.3501	0.1804	0.5051	0.4149	
$Dog \rightarrow Cat$	39.71	59.72	<u>28.30</u>	19.69		0.3167	0.1573	0.4334	0.3174	
Monet \rightarrow Photo	<u>85.06</u>	113.16	86.72	81.61		<u>0.4282</u>	0.2478	0.4229	0.537	
$Photo \to Monet$	77.85	<u>71.68</u>	80.37	63.94		0.4128	0.2097	<u>0.4306</u>	0.43 4	
Portrait \rightarrow Photo	93.45	83.69	57.07	<u>62.44</u>		0.1819	0.1563	<u>0.3061</u>	0.316	
$Photo \rightarrow Portrait$	89.97	75.86	<u>57.84</u>	45.81		0.1929	0.1785	<u>0.2917</u>	0.369	
Avg.	70.69	82.59	<u>55.18</u>	47.85		0.3131	0.1881	0.3978	0.398	

Red texts indicate the best and <u>blue texts</u> indicate the second best method.



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Our method often has a significantly lower score than other methods in FID score. For LPIPS, even if our mapping function is not designed to increase diversity, our method achieves good diversity and performs very well.



Quantitative Comparison-User study

- User should answer the following questions:
 - Which one preserves content information (identity, shape, semantic) better? Which one performs better style translation (in terms of color, pattern)? Which one is more likely to be a member of the domain B?
 - 1. 2. 3.

For each test set, users are presented with the content image (domain A), the style image (domain B), and two result images generated from us and another approach.

Quantitative Comparison-User study

- Which one preserves content information (identity, shape, semantic) better? 1.
- Which one performs better style translation (in terms of color, pattern)? 2.
- Which one is more likely to be a member of the domain B? 3.



The results show that we can perform style translation well while preserving content information. Note that MUNIT can preserve content well but does very little on transferring styles.

Ablation Study





ours







Without $\Phi_{C \rightarrow C_A}$ (DS map), the spatial layouts of the content images can not be preserved well.

Ablation Study

style

content

w/o $\Phi_{C \to C_A}$ w/o L_1^{dsc}

























ours







The proposed loss L_1^{dsc} (DS loss), ensures the remapped feature resembles the domain-specific feature h_A .



Failure Case

Content









$\mathbf{Dog} \rightarrow \mathbf{Cat}$

The figure gives examples in which our method is less successful. In this case, the poses are rare in the training set. Thus, the content is not preserved as well as other examples.

MUNIT

GDWCT





MSGAN





Ours

Failure Case

Content













Portrait → **Photo**

For the second case, the target domains are photographs. They are more challenging, and our method could generate less realistic images. However, our results are still much better than those of other methods.

MUNIT





GDWCT

















Code & Demo page

image ID (from 1 to 25), and style image ID (from 1 to 10).

Dataset Dog → Cat



Result

With the given content and style image, here demonstrates the generated result from MUNIT, GDWCT, MSGAN, and Ours.

MUNIT [1]

GDWCT [2]





More results can be found in our website and Github page!

https://acht7111020.github.io/DSMAP-demo/

MSGAN [3]

Ours



Audio from Google Text-to-Speech! https://cloud.google.com/text-to-speech

Thanks!