

# On the Integrity and Privacy of Biometric Data

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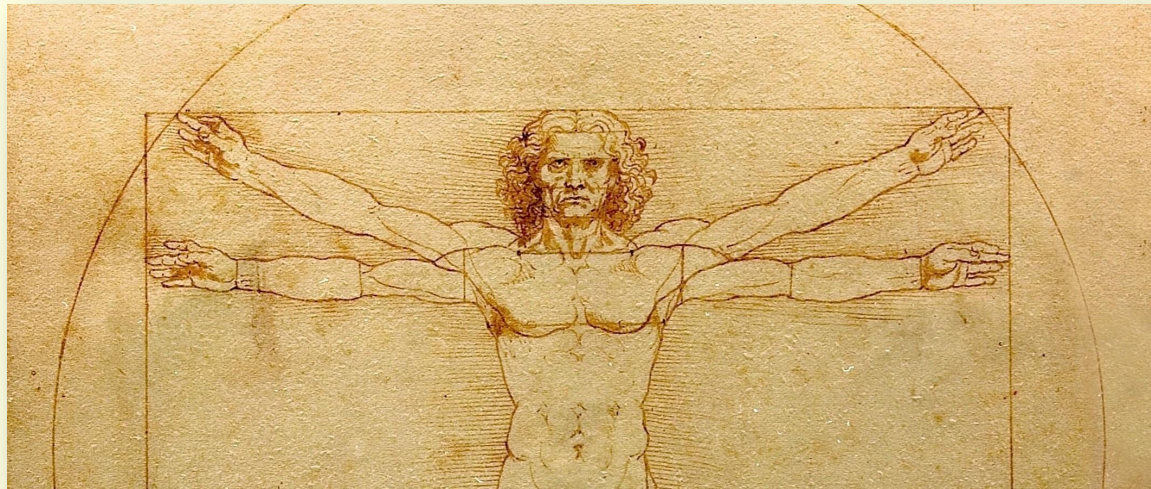
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# Research Theme

- **Adversarial Biometrics**
  - Spoofing Biometric Traits
  - Digitally Altered Biometric Data
  - Degraded Biometric Data
- **Privacy**
  - What Else Does Your Biometric Data Reveal?
  - Privacy Preserving Biometrics
- **Biometric Fusion**
  - Multiple Biometrics | Multispectral Biometrics
  - Biometrics + Demographics

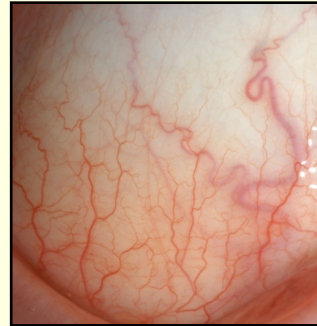
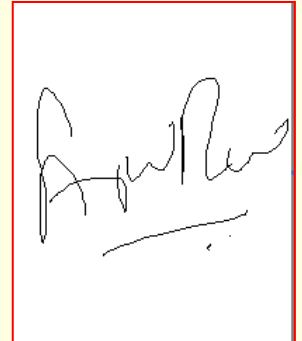
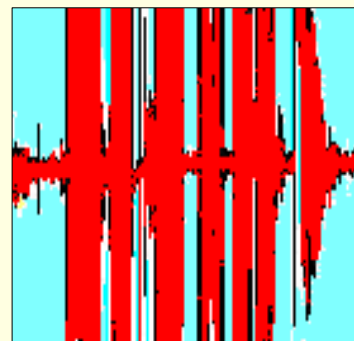
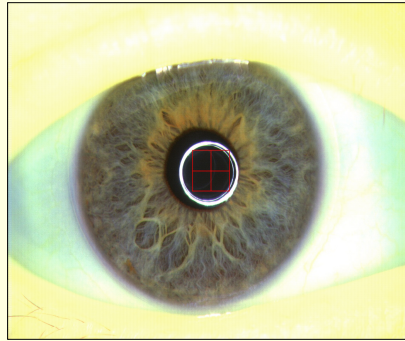
# Biometrics

- Automated **recognition** of individuals based on their **biological** and **behavioral** characteristics
- Traits from which **distinguishing, repeatable** features can be extracted



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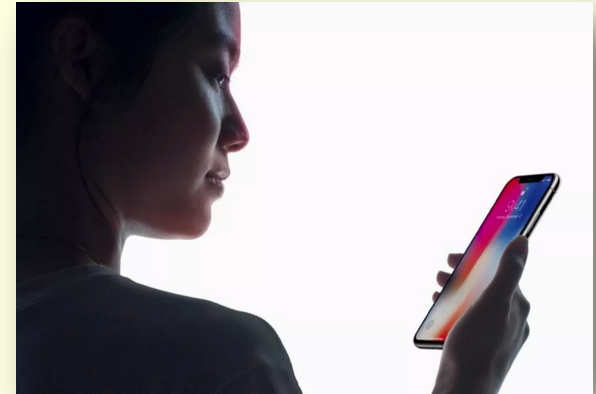
# Biometric Traits



# Biometric Applications



**Iris: Health Care**



**Face: Apple Face ID**



**Fingerprint: Refugee Services**

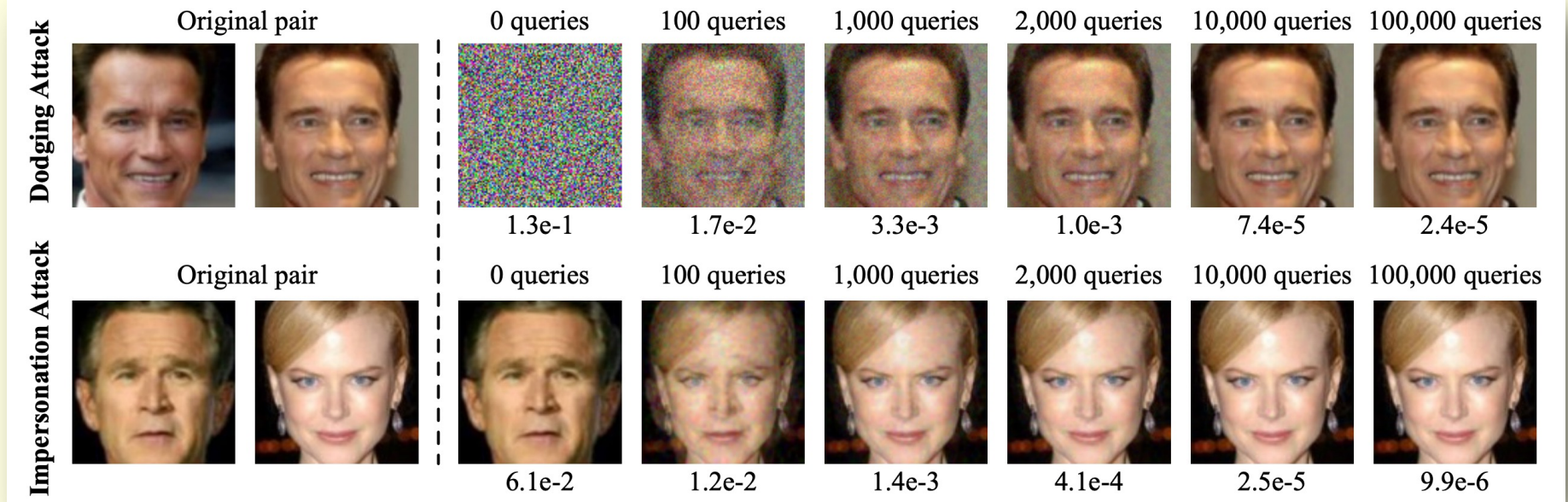


**Fingerprint: US OBIM**



**Finger Vein: ATMs**

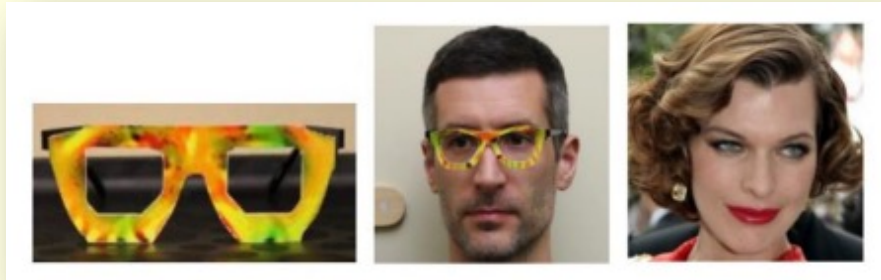
# Altered Data: Blackbox Attacks



Dong et al, "Efficient decision-based black-box adversarial attacks on face recognition", CVPR 2019

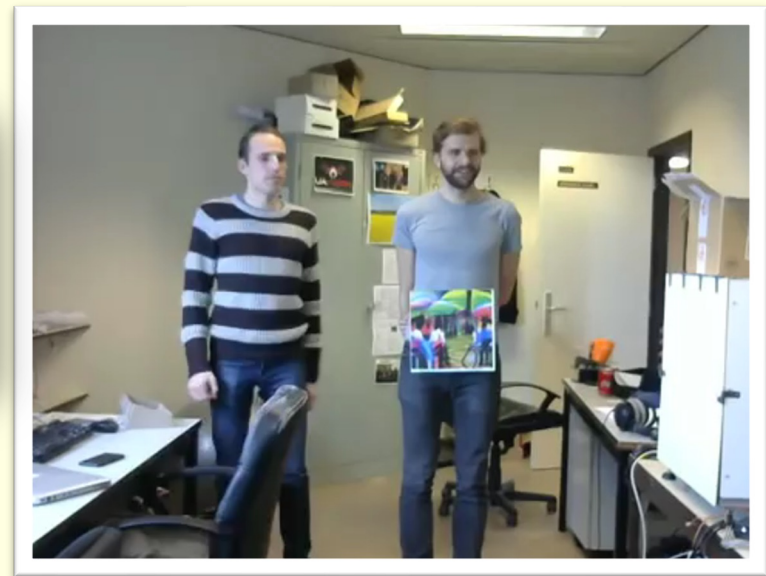
# Altered Data: Physical Attacks

- Presentation attacks: face masks
- 3D printed glasses: for dodging and impersonating others
  - Sharif et al., “Accessorize to a crime: Real and stealthy attacks on state-of-the-art face recognition, 2016
- Adversarial patches printed on T-Shirts to evade detectors
  - Thys et al., “Fooling automated surveillance cameras: Adversarial patches to attack person detection,” CVPRW 2019



User

Target





# Real-world Challenges

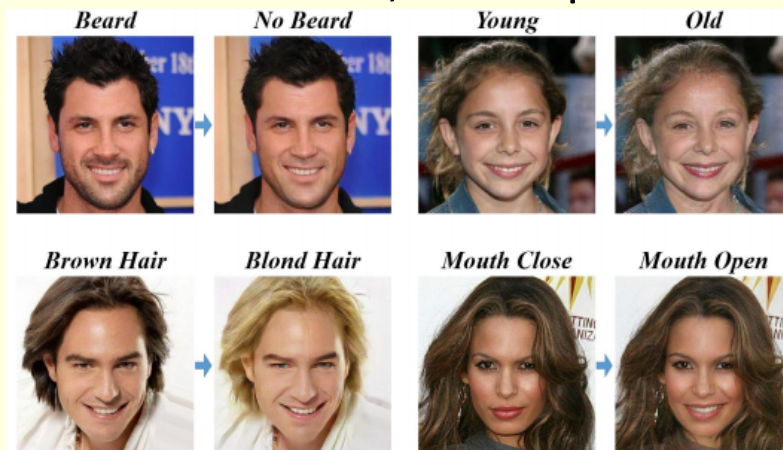
## Motivation – Why is the focus on biometric images?

- Widespread use of **Photoshop** and **Snapchat** filter on face images
- **Deep learning**-based manipulations are increasingly prevalent (attribute modifications, makeup transfer)

### Media forensics



<https://www.hindawi.com/journals/tswj/2013/795408/>



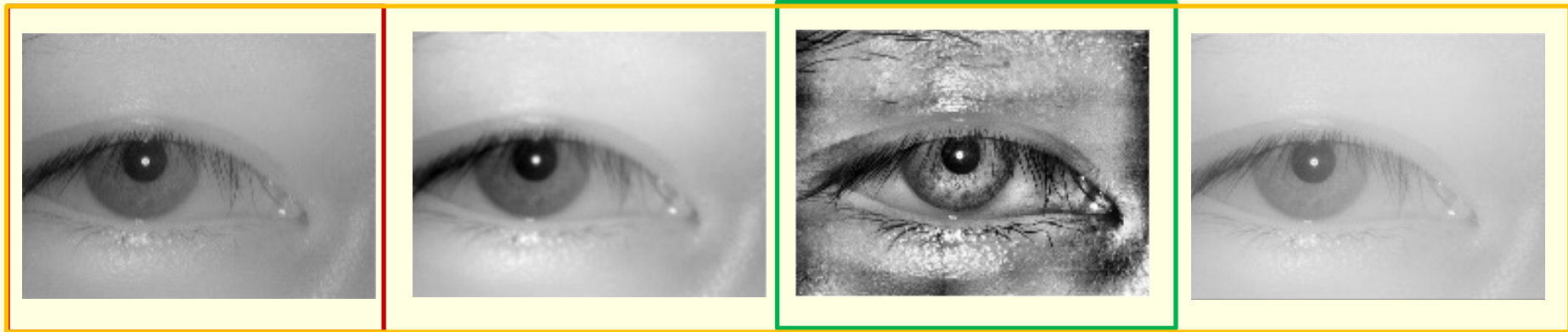
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<https://neurohive.io/en/news/adobe-trained-a-neural-network-that-detects-photoshopped-faces/>

# Image Forensics

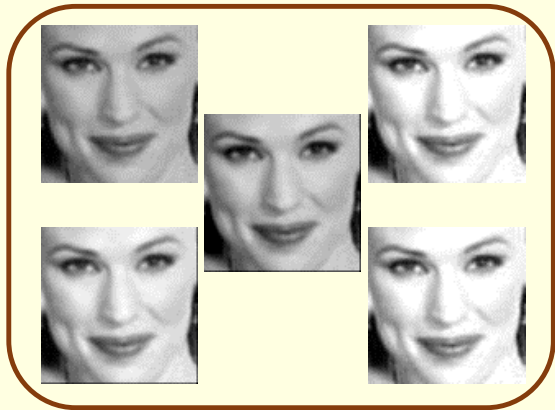
- **Origin:** Which sensor produced this image?
- **Altered:** Is this an altered image?
- **Relationship:** How are these images related?



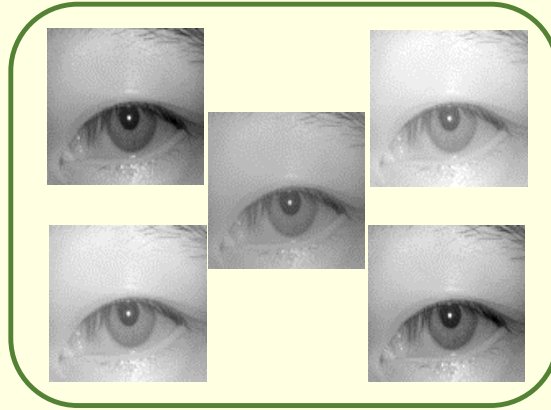
# Digital Data: Near Duplicates

- **Near Duplicates:** Subtly Modified Images

Brightness adjustment



Gamma transformation



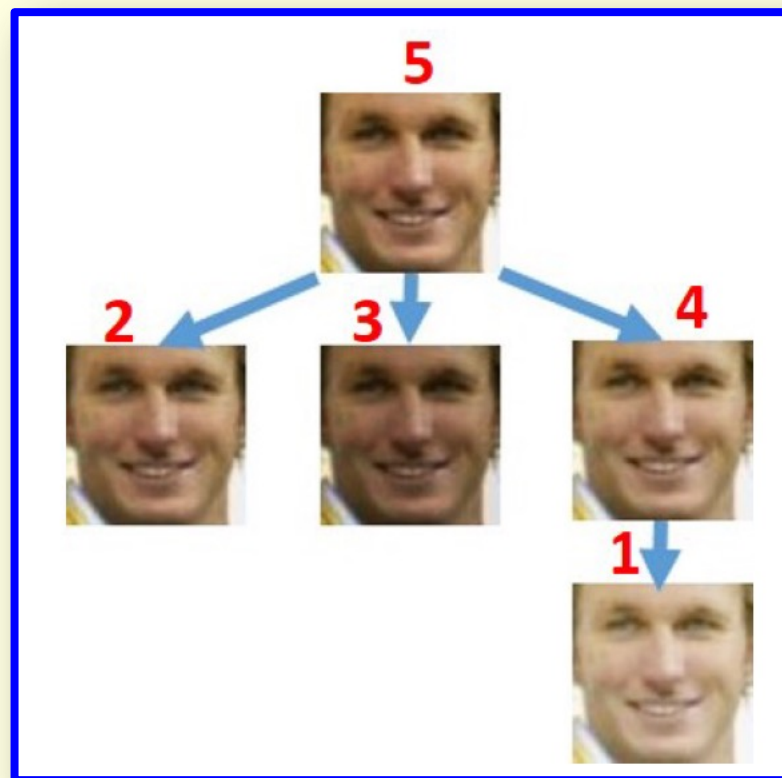
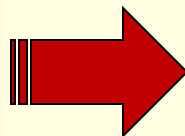
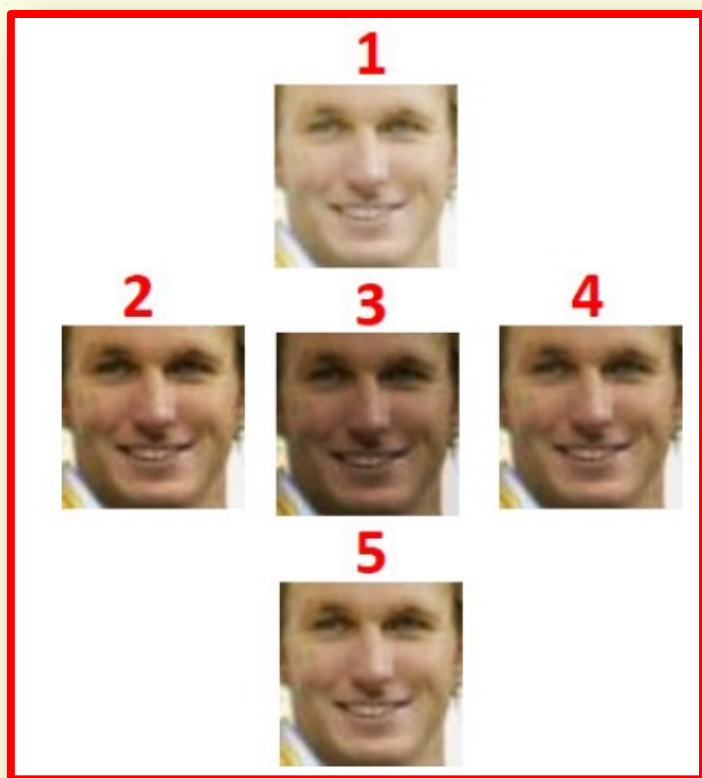
Rotation



S. Banerjee and A. Ross, "Face Phylogeny Tree Using Basis Functions," IEEE TBIOM, 2020

# Relationship Between Images

- **Phylogeny Tree**: Relationship between near duplicate images

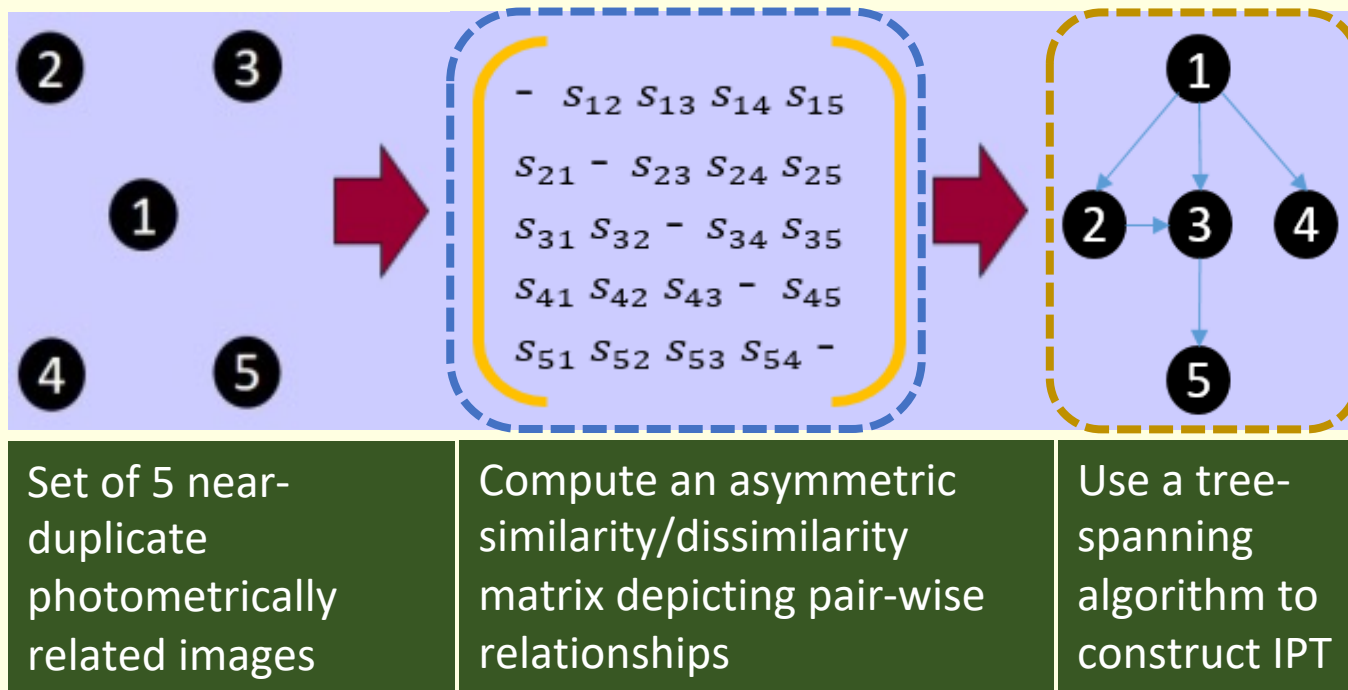


# Importance of Problem

- Deduce whether a set of photometrically transformed images originated from a single source image or multiple sources
- Detection of image tampering hinted by significant photometric variation between two images
- Determination of transformation parameters relating two images

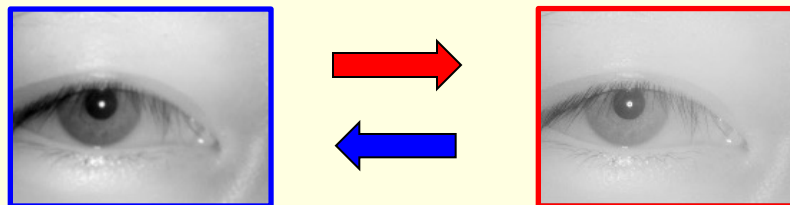
# Image Phylogeny Tree (IPT)

- IPT construction is a 2-step process:
  - STEP I : Computing pairwise asymmetric measure
  - STEP II: Using a tree-spanning algorithm



# What are the Challenges?

- Photometric Transformations ▶ Large number
  - E.g., Brightness, Contrast, CLAHE, Gamma, Median, Gaussian
- Each Transformation ▶ multiple parameters
  - E.g., Gaussian: window size and variance
- Each Parameter ▶ multiple values
  - E.g., Window size: 3x3, 5x5, 9x9, 13x13, ....
- Need to distinguish between  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow A$



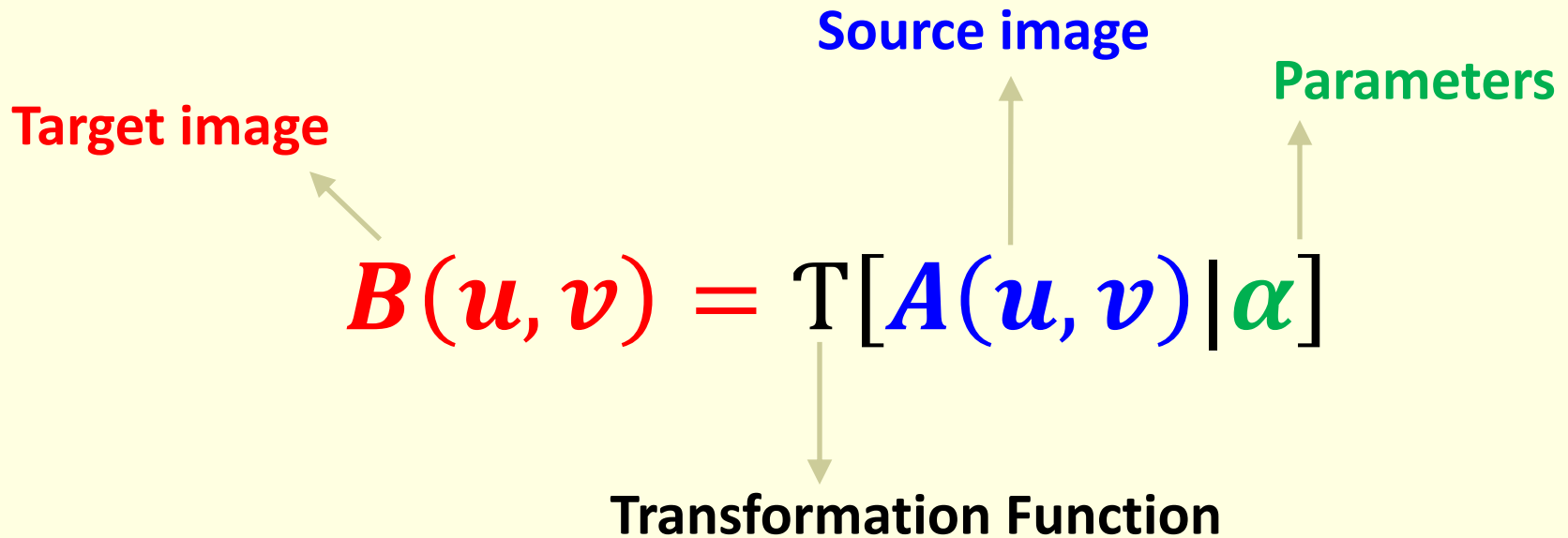
# Our Approach

- Use a **generic parametric transformation function** to model the relationship between any two images
- Given two images, **A** and **B**, **estimate the parameters** of the function in both directions
- Use the **likelihood of the parameters** to determine which of the two cases is more likely, i.e., **A → B** or **B → A**

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# Transformation Function



# Transformation Function

- Model transformation from  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}$  such that the pairwise photometric error (PE) is **minimized** for all pixels  $p$

$$\min_{\alpha} PE(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \min_{\alpha} \sum_{p=1}^N \|\mathbf{B}(p) - \tau(\mathbf{A}(p); \alpha)\|_2^2$$

- We approximate transformations using a set of **basis functions**

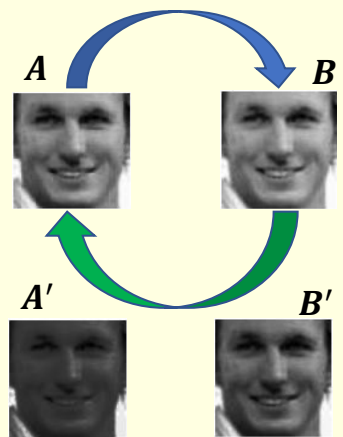
# Basis Functions

Basis Functions		Utility	Formulation
Polynomials	Legendre	Used for image <b>template matching</b> and image <b>reconstruction</b>	$L_n(p) = 2^n \sum_{k=0}^n p^k \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{n+k-1}{2} \right)$
	Chebyshev	Used for approximating <b>complex</b> functions (spectral convolutions)	$C_n(p) = p^n \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k} (1 - x^{-2})^k$
Wavelets	Gabor	Used as <b>texture</b> descriptors, acts as <b>bandpass</b> filters	$\varphi(p, \theta, \lambda) = g(p, \lambda) \cdot w(p, \theta)$ $\lambda = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}; \theta = \{0^\circ, 45^\circ, 90^\circ, 135^\circ\}$
Radial Basis Functions	Gaussian	Used for <b>interpolation</b>	$K(p) = \exp\ p - \mu\ ^2$
	Bump	Used as <b>smooth</b> cutoff functions	$K(p) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{1 - p^2}\right)$

*p*: Pixel intensity value ; *n*: Polynomial order ;  $\mu$ : Mean pixel intensity value ;  $\lambda$ : Scale ;  $\theta$ : Orientation

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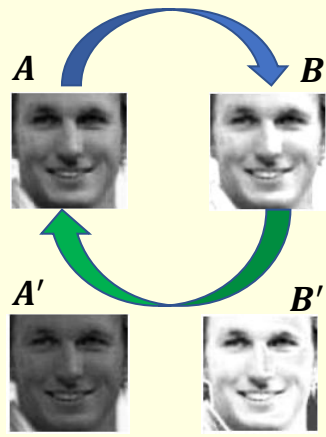
# Basis Functions



Output of modeling  
 $B \rightarrow A$

Output of modeling  
 $A \rightarrow B$

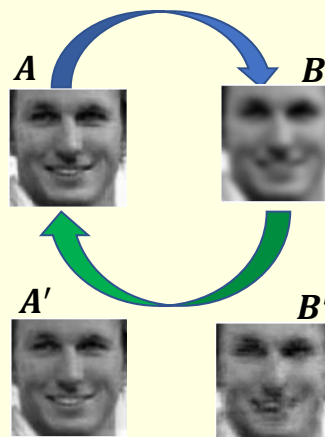
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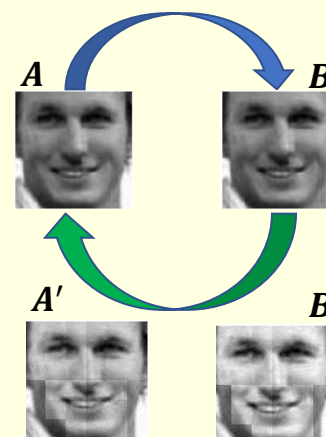
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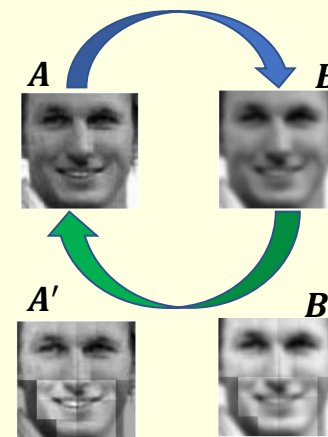
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GAUSSIAN RBF



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BUMP RBF

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# Asymmetric Measure

- Modeling the transformation in both directions results in two estimated parameter vectors ( $\alpha, \beta$ )

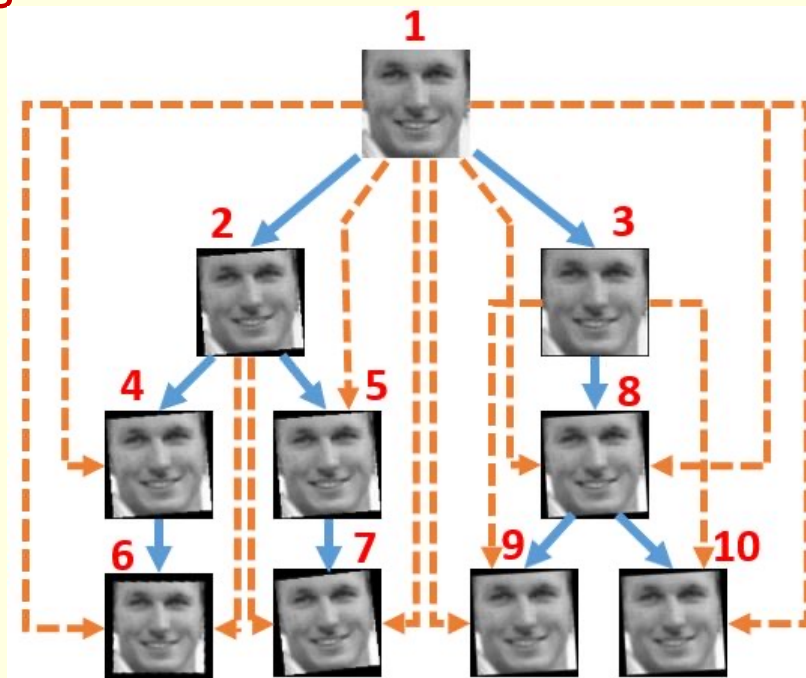
- Compute the likelihood ratio  $\left( \Lambda_{\alpha} = \frac{p_f(\alpha)}{p_r(\alpha)}, \Lambda_{\beta} = \frac{p_f(\beta)}{p_r(\beta)} \right)$  of the estimated parameters to obtain asymmetric measure

- Use depth first search to construct IPT

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# Experiments

- We generated 2,727 IPTs by subjecting face images to random sequence of 4 transformations resulting in 27,270 images

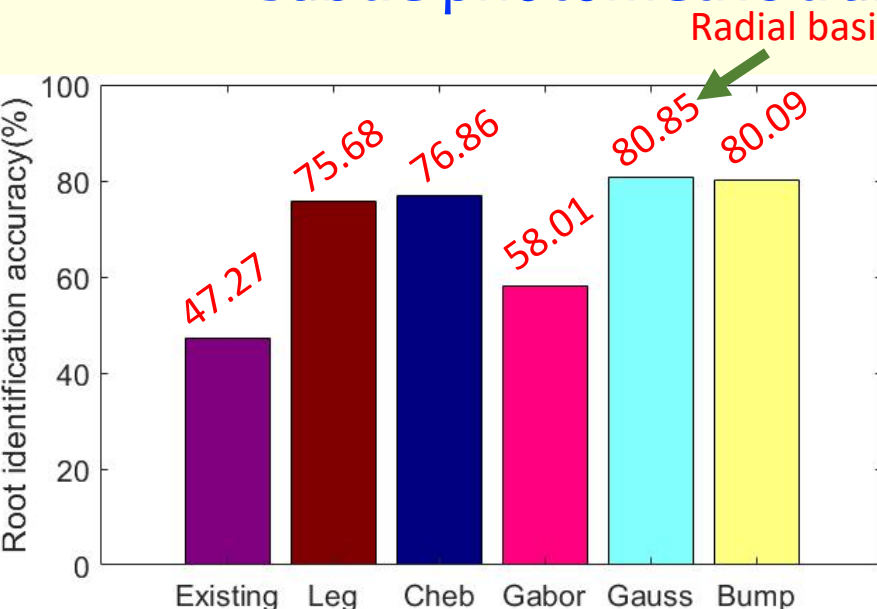


— Immediate link  
- - Ancestral link

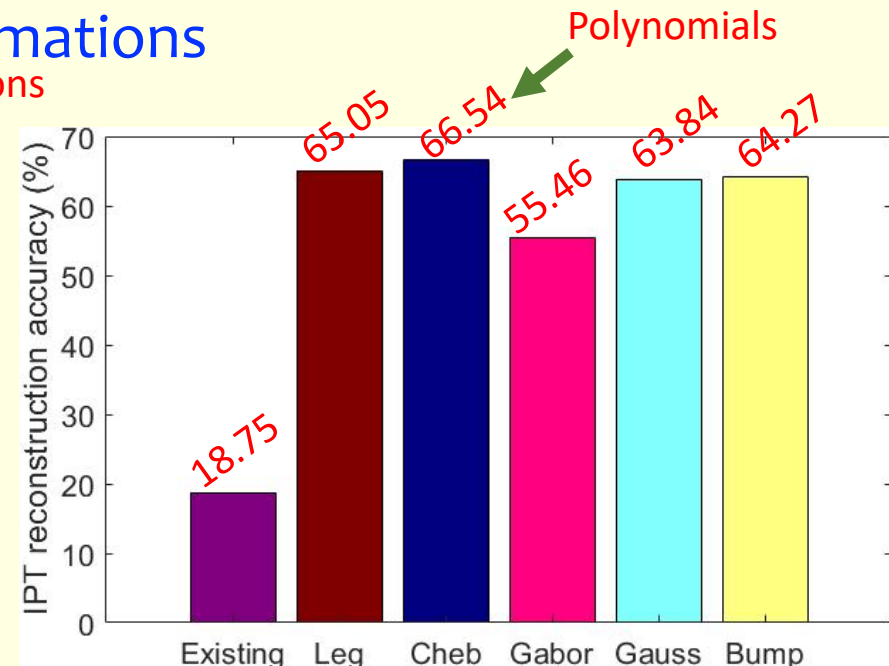
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# Performance

- We compared the performance with an existing method
- The problem is a very challenging one:
  - face images vs natural scenes
  - subtle photometric transformations



**ROOT IDENTIFICATION**



**IPT RECONSTRUCTION**

# Generalizability

- **Unseen modalities:** 7,260 near-duplicate iris images from CASIA Iris V2 Device 2 dataset
- **Unseen transformations:** 175 near-duplicates using Photoshop and 1,080 near-duplicates using deep learning-based transformations

Experimental Settings		Root identification accuracy (%)	IPT reconstruction accuracy (%)
Unseen modality	Iris	95	68
Unseen transformations	Photoshop	90	100
	Deep learning-based	83	65

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# Digital Data: DeepFakes

- **DeepFakes:** Synthetically Generated Images



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# DeepTalk: Speech Synthesis

## Why do we need DeepTalk?

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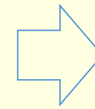
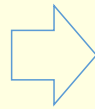
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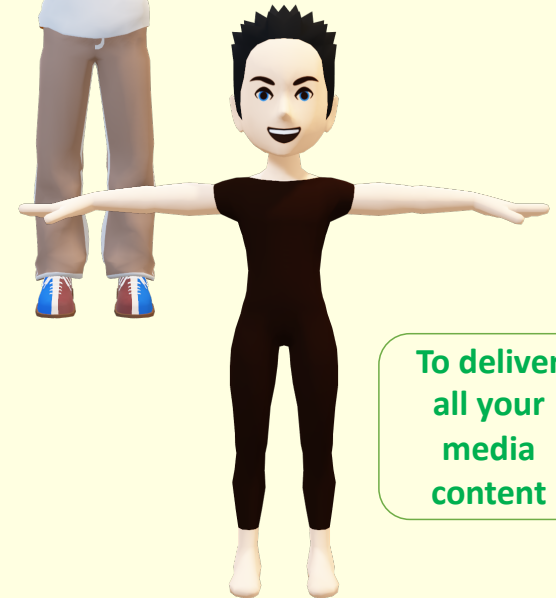
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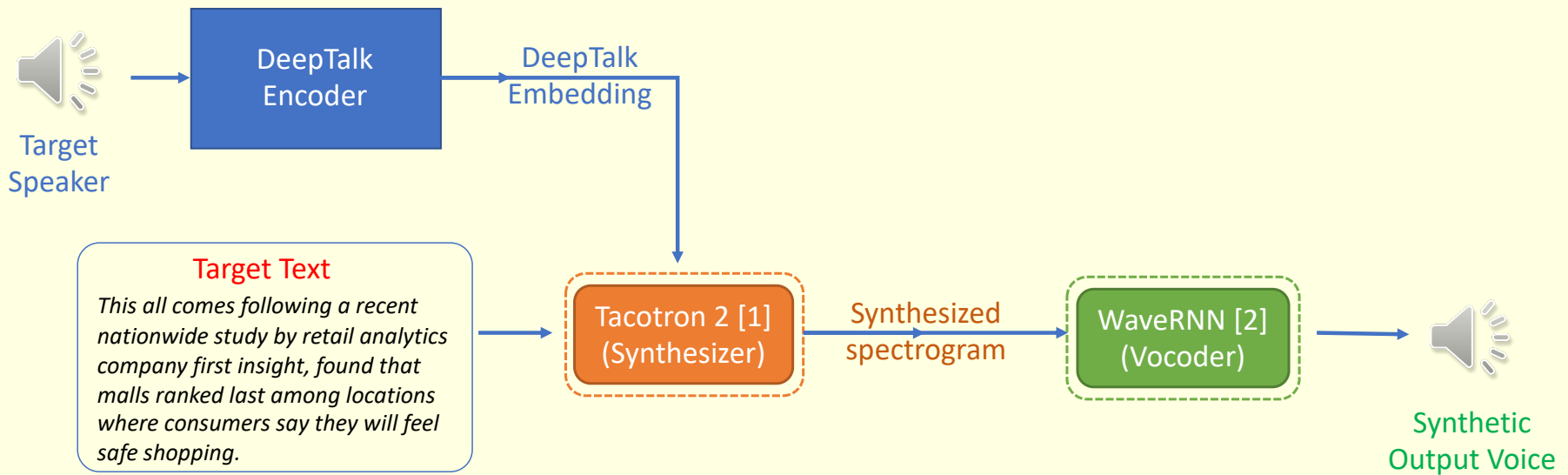
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# DeepTalk: Speech Synthesis



[1] Skerry-Ryan et al. "Towards end-to-end prosody transfer for expressive speech synthesis with tacotron." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1803.09047* (2018).

[2] Shen et al. "Natural TTS synthesis by conditioning wavenet on mel spectrogram predictions." In *2018 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, pp. 4779-4783. IEEE, 2018.

# DeepTalk: Speech Synthesis

## News Article

*This all comes following a recent nationwide study by retail analytics company first insight, found that malls ranked last among locations where consumers say they will feel safe shopping.*



Original Voice of  
Hannah



DeepTalk generated voice  
of Hannah after Phase 1



DeepTalk generated voice  
of Hannah after Phase 2



Original Voice of  
Ted

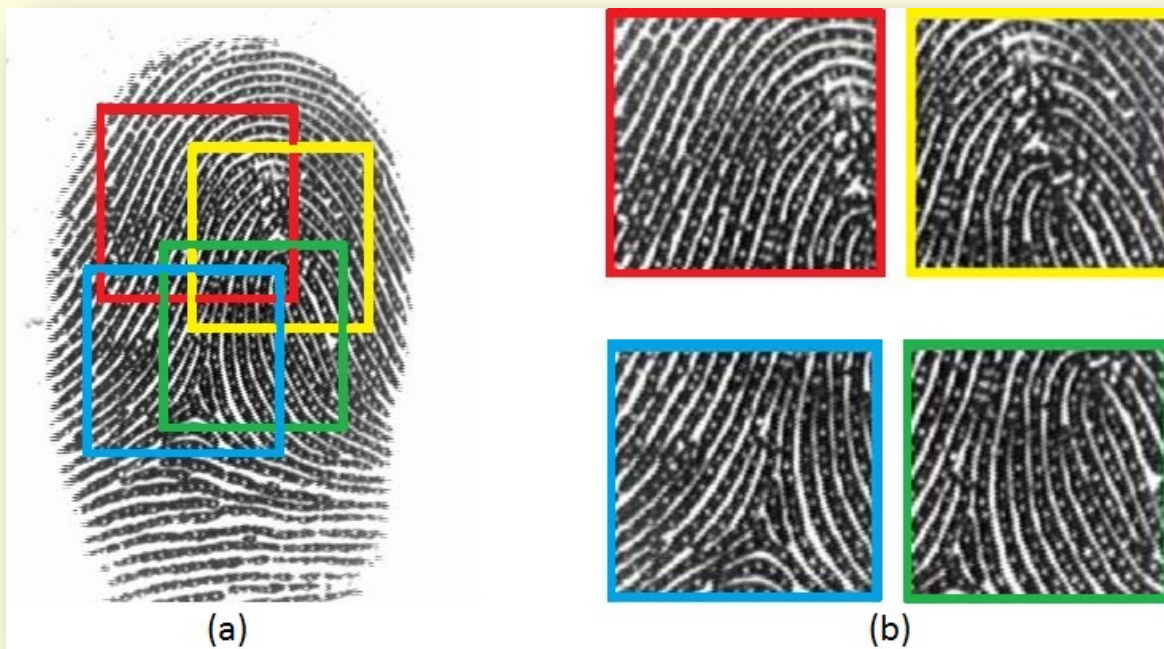


DeepTalk generated voice  
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DeepTalk generated voice  
of Ted after Phase 2

# Partial Fingerprints



- **Small sensors** | Capture a limited portion of full finger
- **Multiple partial** fingerprints are captured | Enroll multiple fingers
- Access granted if the sensed partial fingerprint matches **any one** of the partial fingerprint of any enrolled finger

# MasterPrints!

- Fingerprints that **match** with a large proportion of the fingerprint population
- Could be either full prints or partial prints

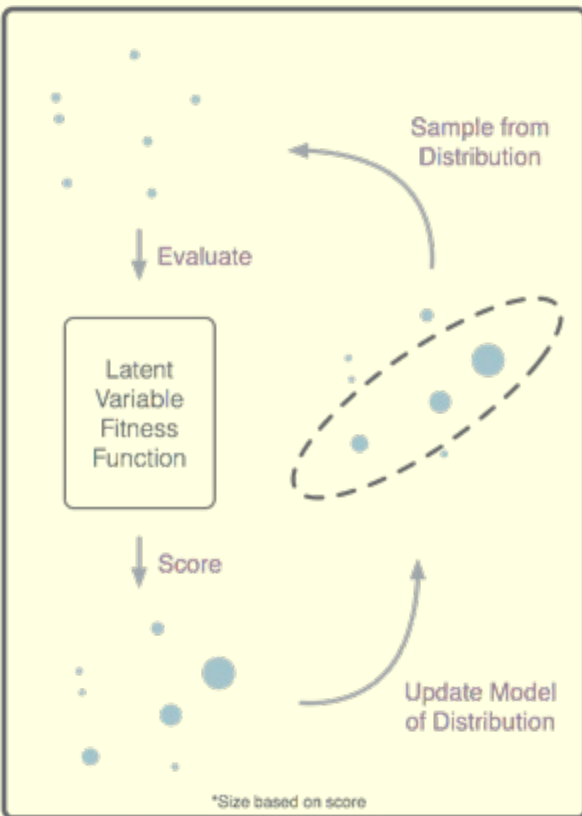
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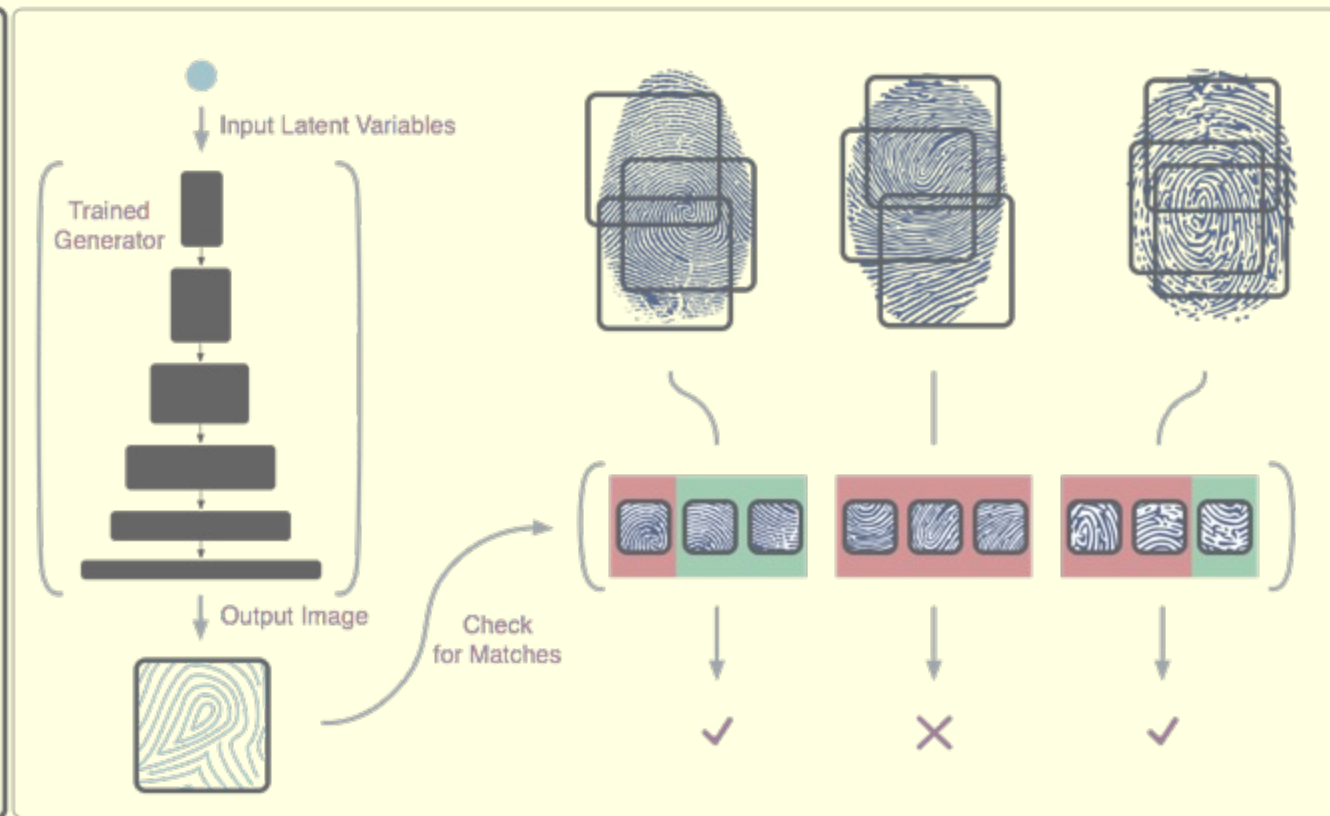


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# Latent Variable Evolution



CMA-ES Optimization

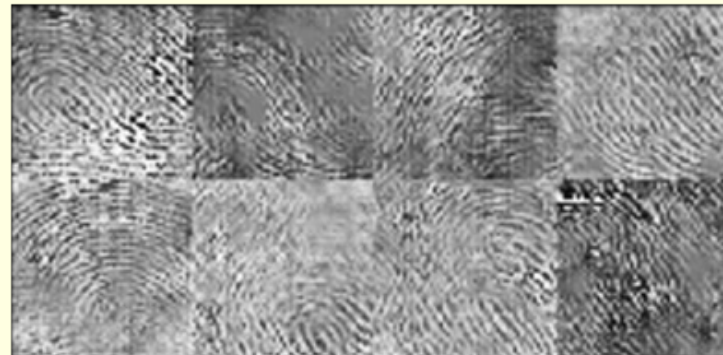
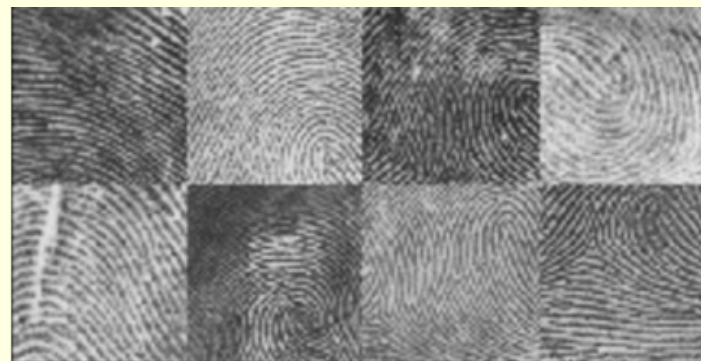


Latent Variable Fitness Function

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# GAN-based DeepMasterPrints



Increases vulnerability of small sensors to dictionary and spoof attacks

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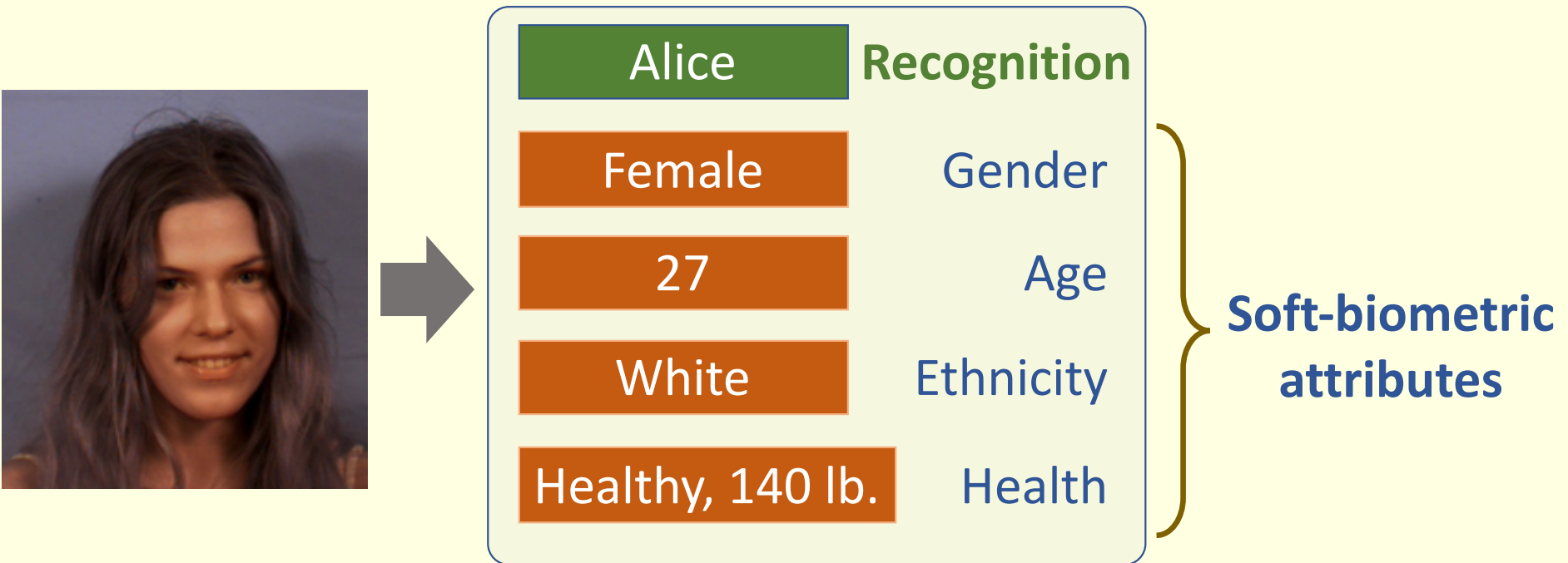
# Attack Success Rate

	<b>0.01% FMR</b>	<b>0.1% FMR</b>	<b>1% FMR</b>
Single MasterPrint	1.88%	6.60%	33.40%
Multiple MasterPrints	6.88%	30.69%	77.92%
Single DeepMasterPrint	<b>1.11%</b>	<b>22.50%</b>	<b>76.67%</b>

Experiments on FingerPass DB7 Dataset using VeriFinger Matcher

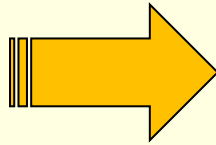
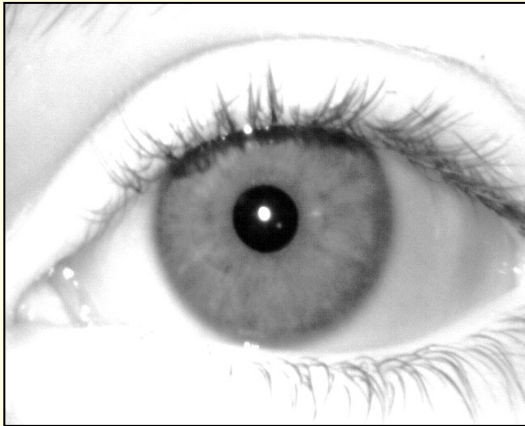
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# Soft Biometrics



- Age, Gender, Ethnicity, can be **automatically derived** from the face image
- That is, a **trained classifier or a regressor** may be used to automatically deduce certain soft biometric attributes

# Biometrics + Forensics



- Subject is a **Male** (90% Confidence), **White** (85% Confidence)
- Image taken using an **Aoptix** camera
- Iris stroma is **plain textured**
- Highly **constricted** pupil suggests **strong ambient illumination**

Bridges the gap between human and machine description of data

OR

**Compromises privacy?**

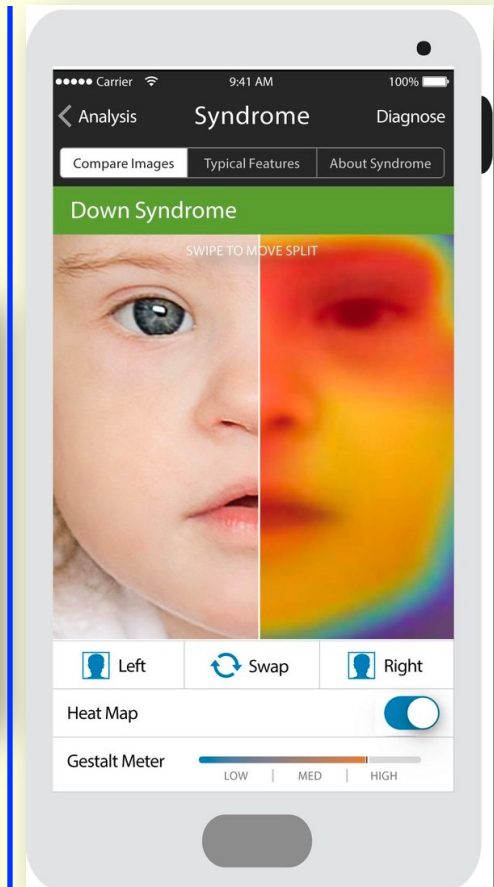
# Face2Gene

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## THANKS TO AI, COMPUTERS CAN NOW SEE YOUR HEALTH PROBLEMS

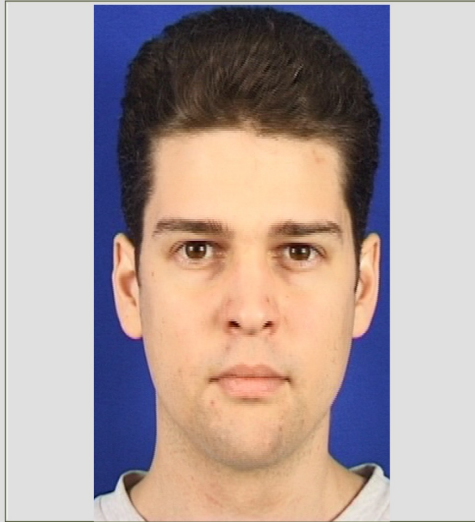
“In hindsight it was all clear to me,” says Gripp, who is chief of the Division of Medical Genetics at A.I. duPont Hospital for Children in Delaware, and had been seeing the patient for years. “But it hadn’t been clear to anyone before.” What had taken Patient Number Two’s doctors 16 years to find took Face2Gene just a few minutes.

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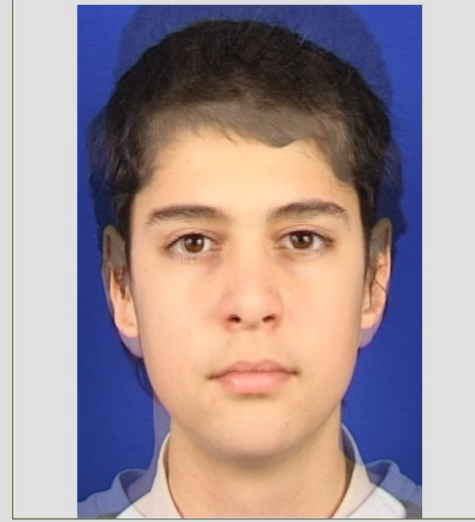


# Controllable Privacy

## Face Privacy



Input



Output

Identity



Age



Race



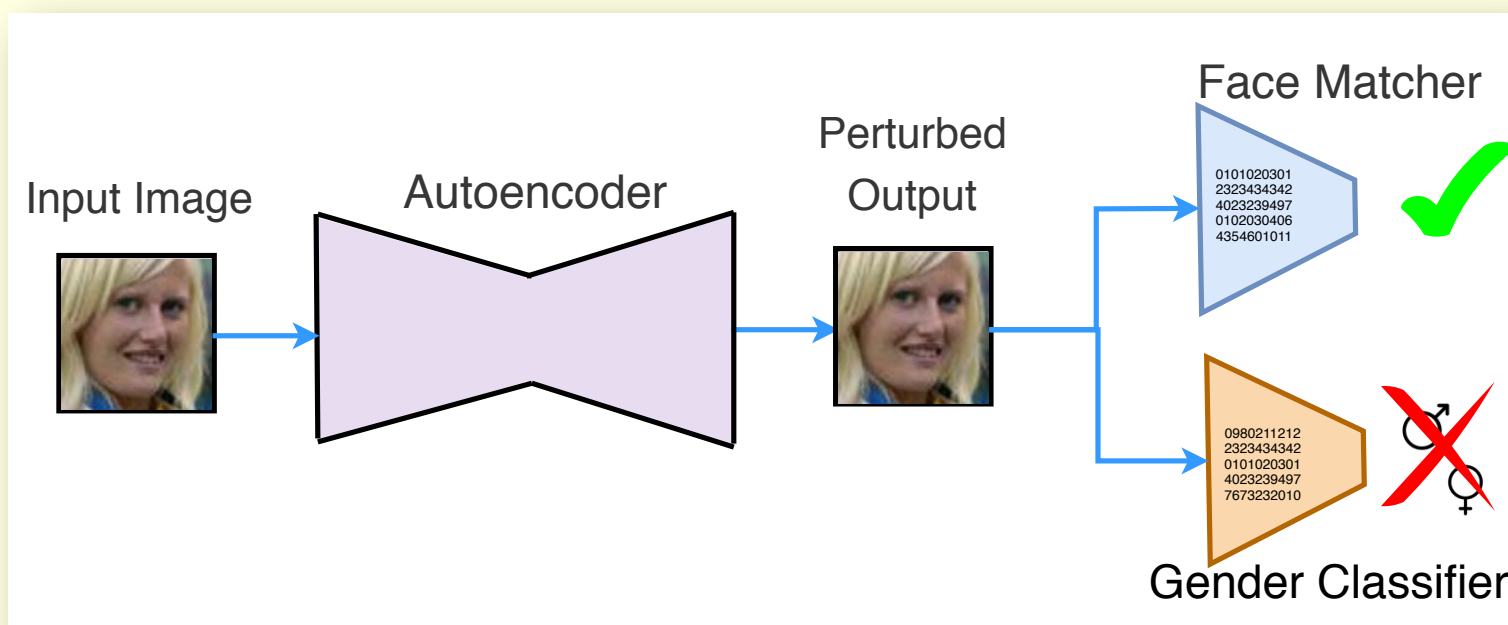
Gender



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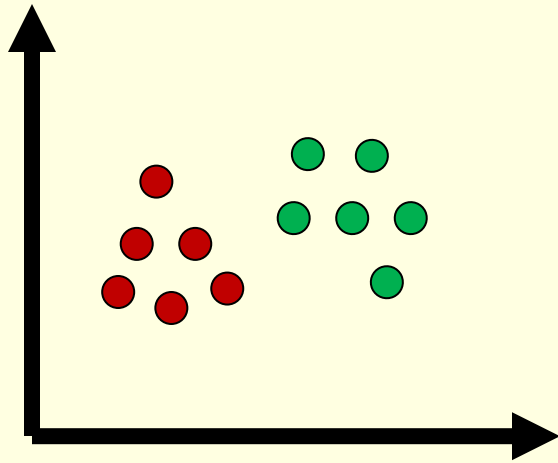
# Semi-Adversarial Networks (SAN)

- Design a transformation model to:
  - Confound gender attribute → gender classifiers will not work
  - Retain recognition capability → face matchers will still work

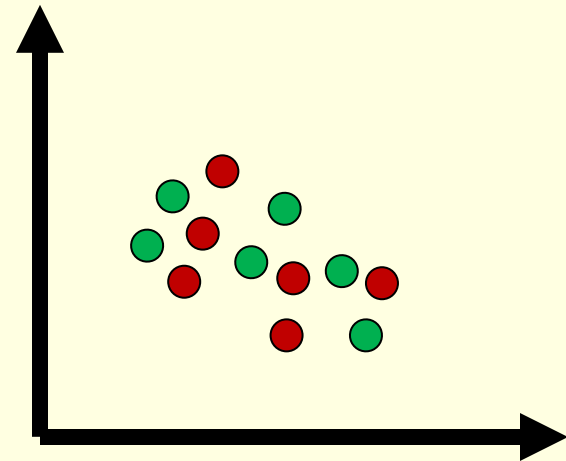


# Semi-Adversarial Networks (SAN)

Original Image Space

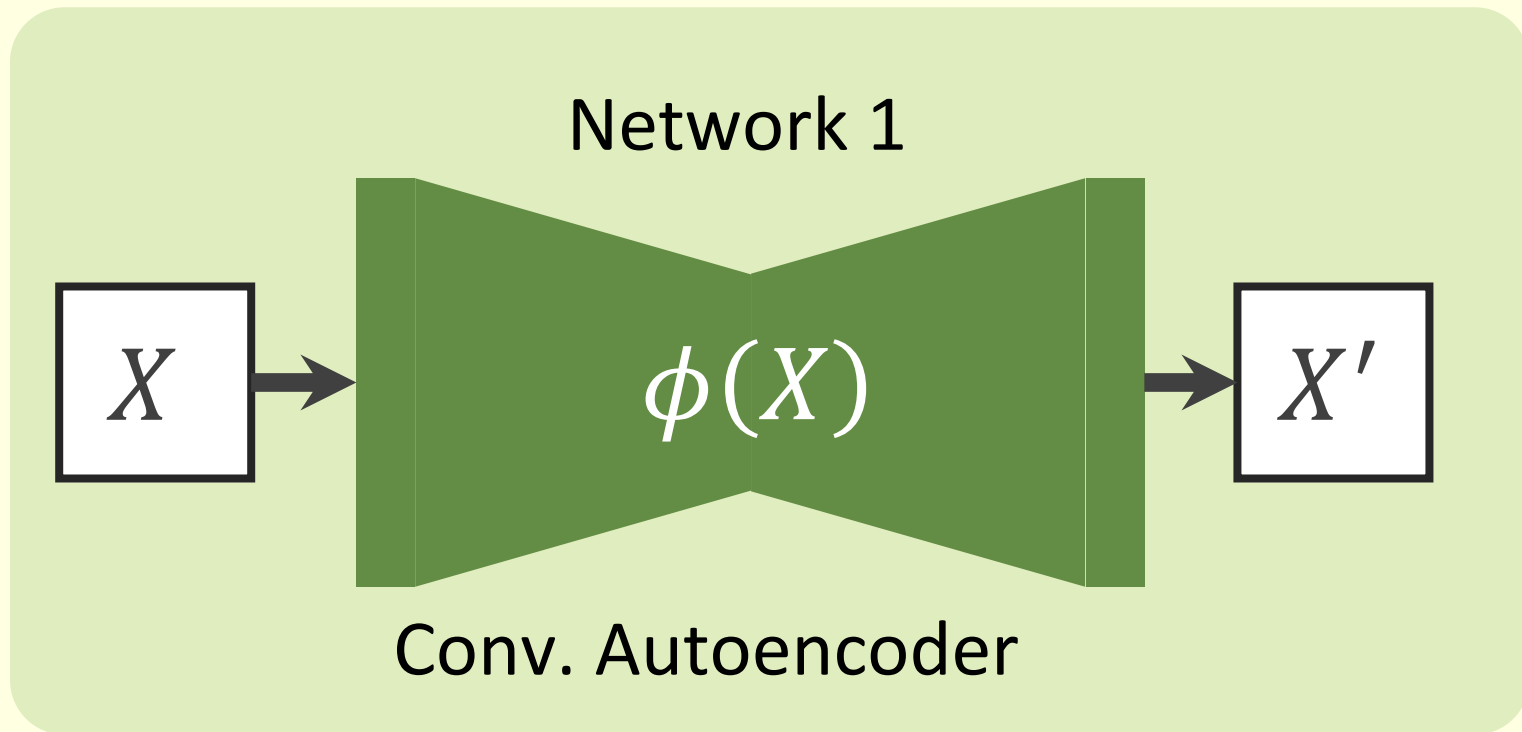


Transformed Image Space



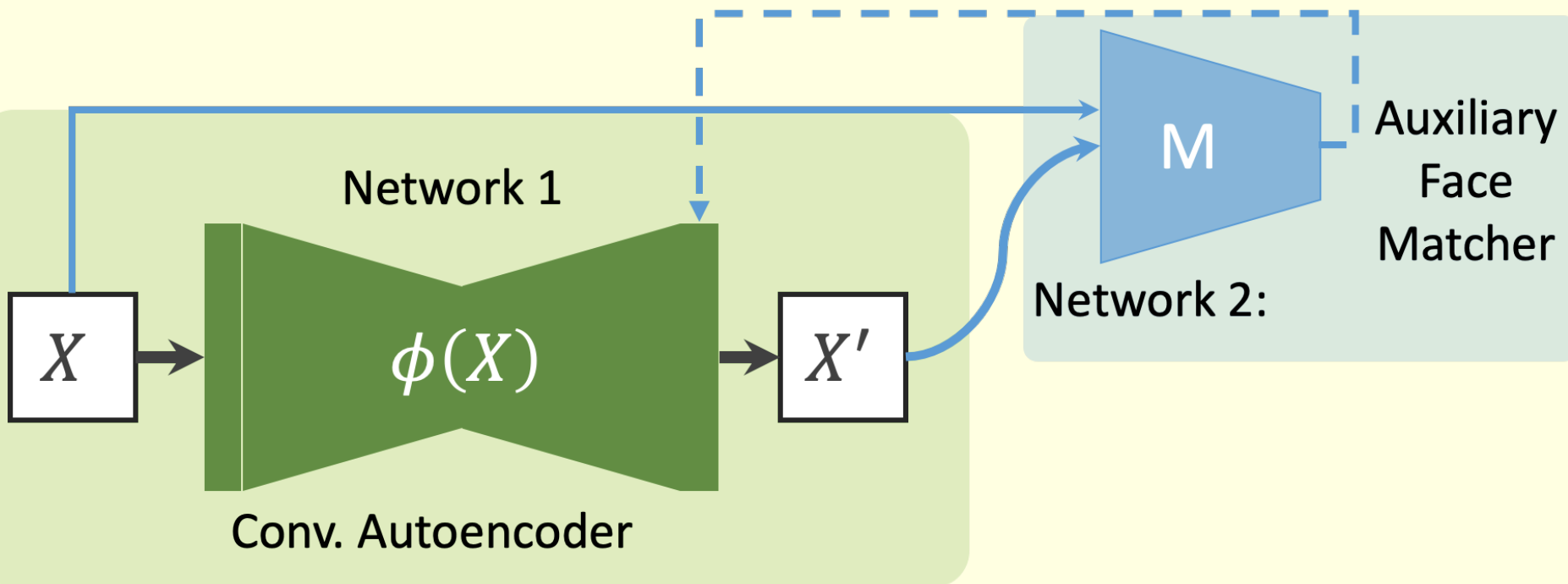


# General Architecture of SAN Model

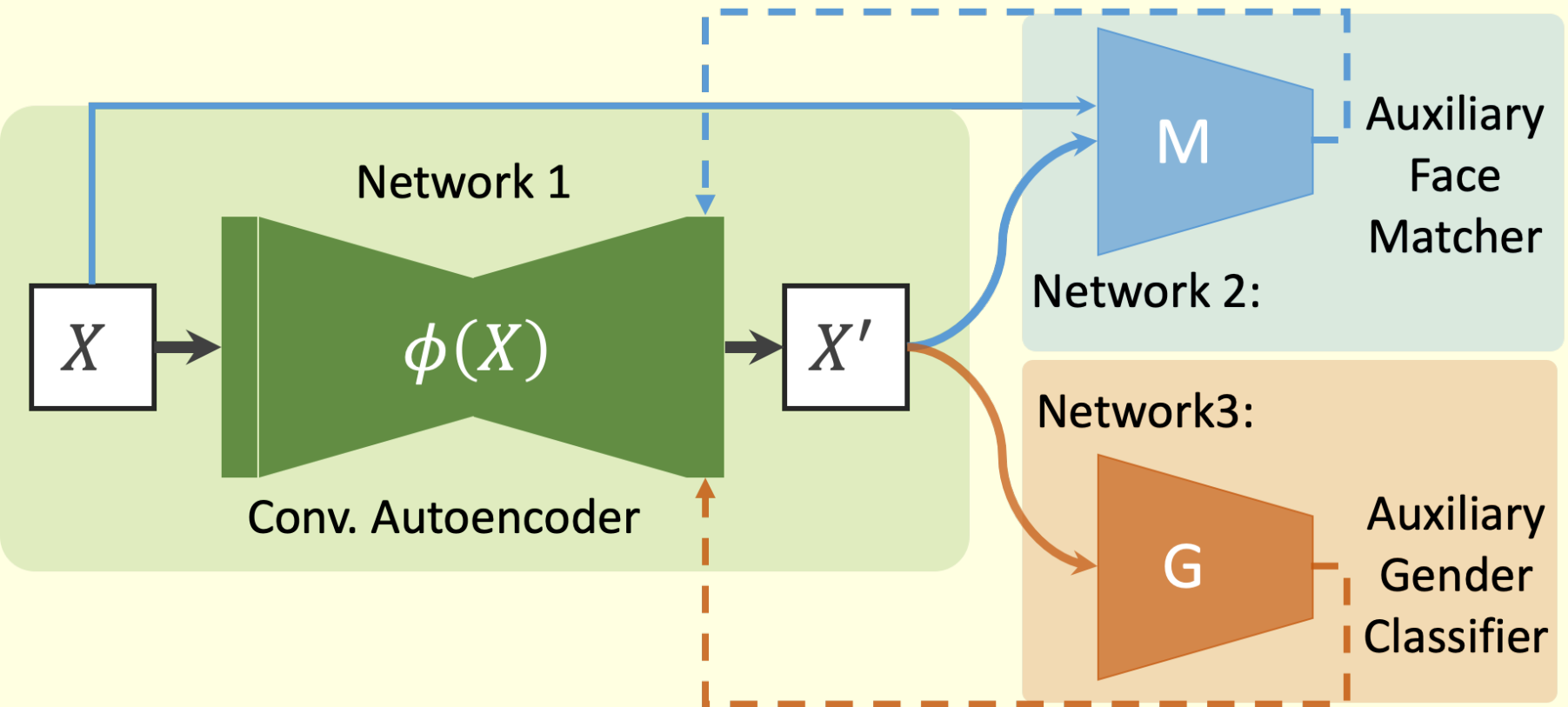


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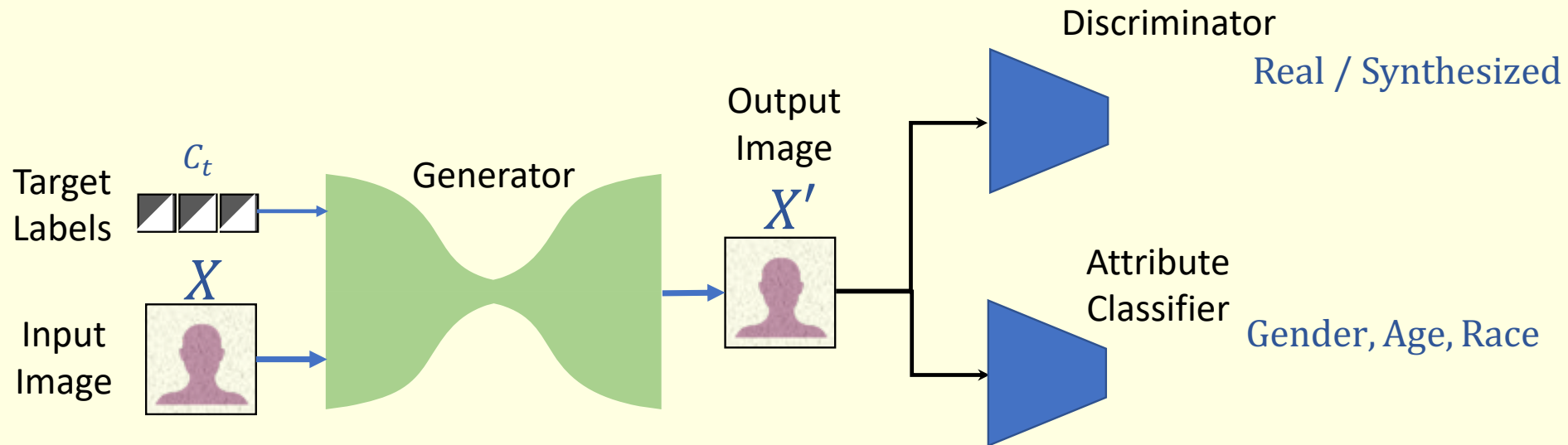


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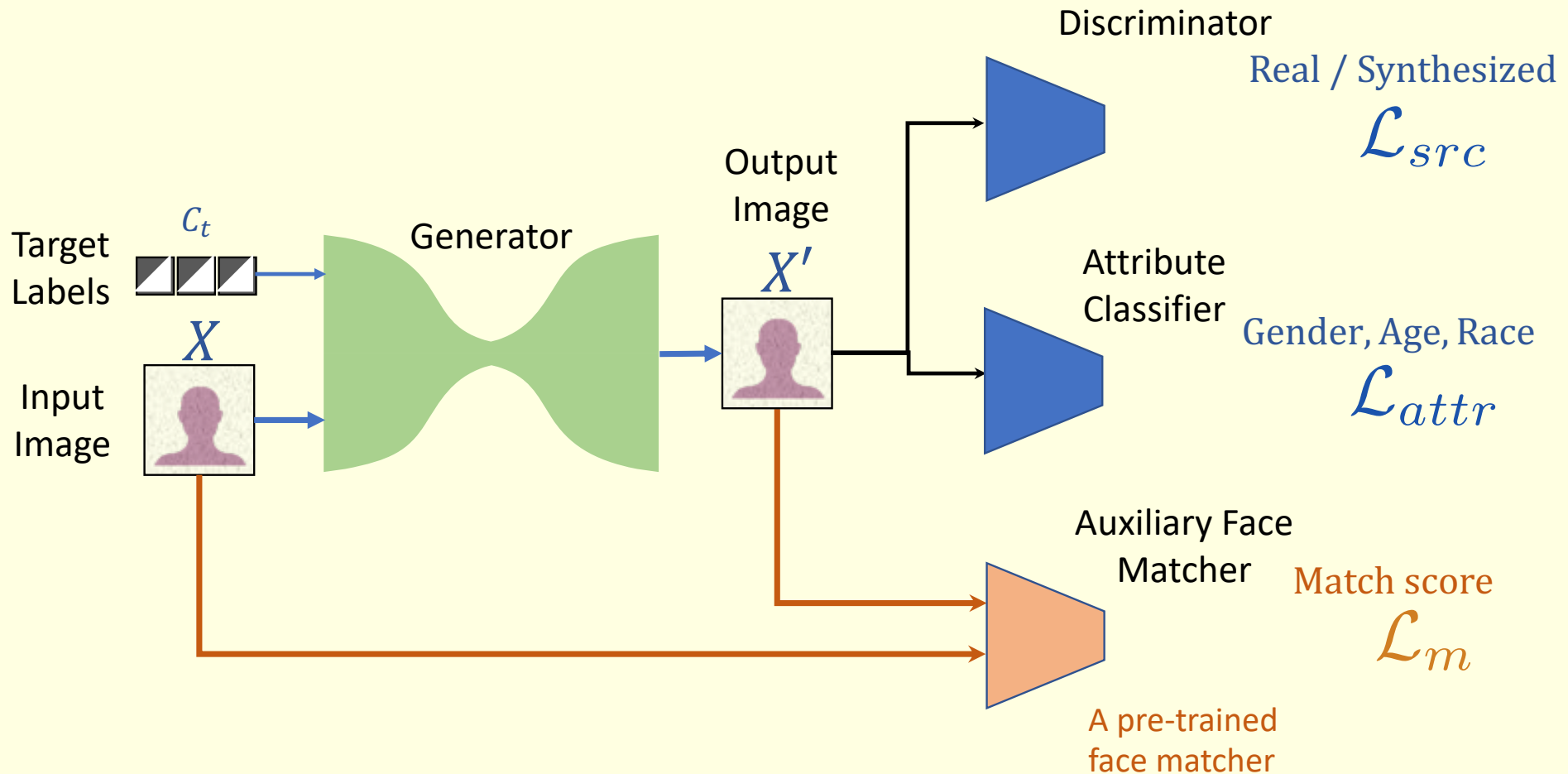
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# Multi-attribute Privacy



- ❑ Input image  $X$  from original label  $c_0$
- ❑ A regular cycle-GAN that generates output image  $X'$  for a given input image  $X$  and target label vector  $c_t$ .

# Multi-attribute Privacy



- ❑ Auxiliary Face Matcher derives the matching-loss term to ensure that the output image  $X'$  matches with input  $X$ .

# PrivacyNet: Loss Functions

- Losses for training the **discriminator**  $D_{src}$  and  $D_{attr}$ :

1. Source term (real vs. synthesized)

$$\mathcal{L}_{D,src} = \mathbb{E}_X [-\log(D_{src}(X))] + \mathbb{E}_{X,c_t} [-\log(1 - D_{src}(G(X, c_t)))]$$

2. Attribute term

$$\mathcal{L}_{D,attr} = \mathbb{E}_{X,c_0} [-\log(D_{attr}(c_0|X))]$$

- Losses for training the **generator**  $G(X, c_t)$ :

1. Source term

$$\mathcal{L}_{G,src} = \mathbb{E}_{X,c_t} [\log(D_{src}(G(X, c_t)))]$$

2. Attribute term

$$\mathcal{L}_{G,attr} = \mathbb{E}_{X,c_t} [-\log(D_{attr}(c_t|G(X, c_t)))]$$

3. Matching term

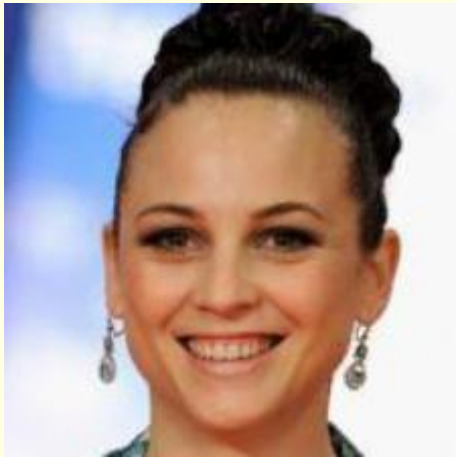
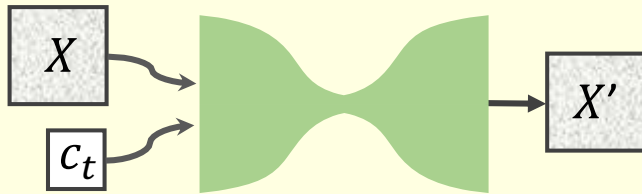
$$\mathcal{L}_{G,m} = \mathbb{E}_{X,c_t} [\|R(X) - R(G(X, c_t))\|_2^2]$$

4. Reconstruction loss (cycle-consistency)

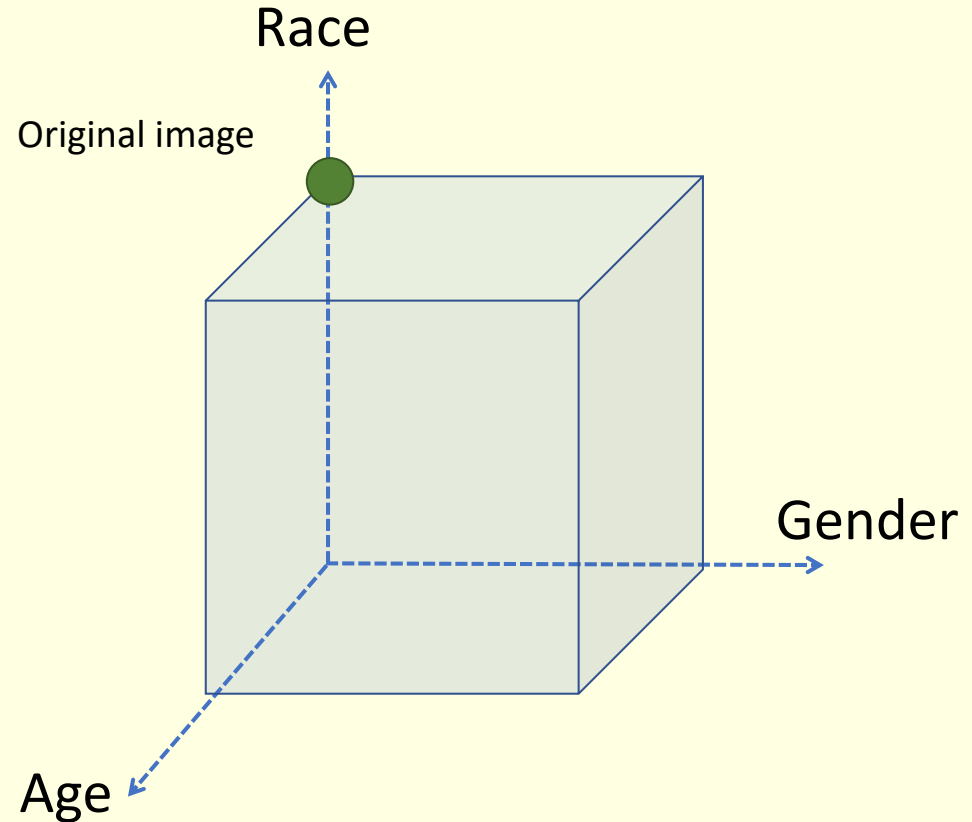
$$\mathcal{L}_{rec} = \mathbb{E}_{X,c_0,c_t} [\|X - G(G(X, c_t), c_0)\|_1]$$

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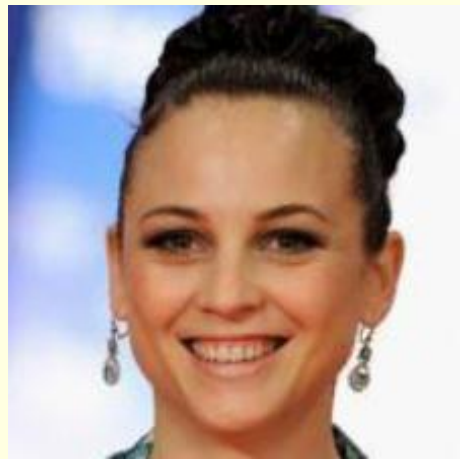
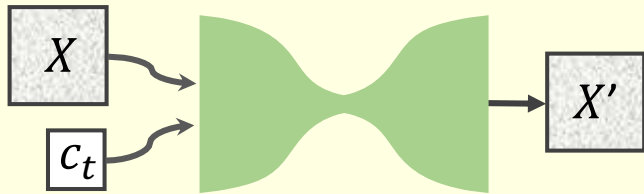
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[Female, Middle-aged, Caucasian]

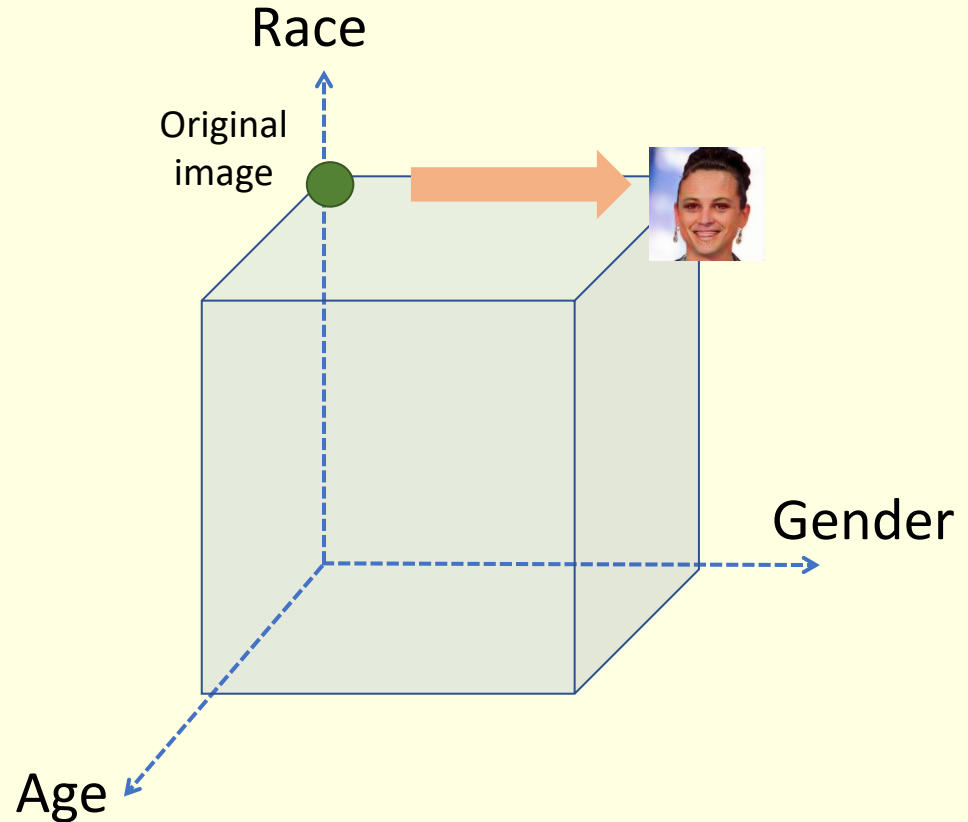


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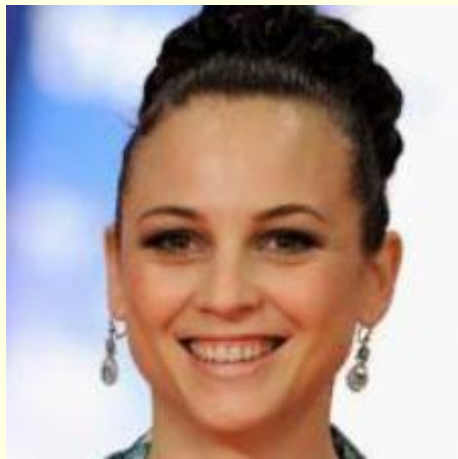
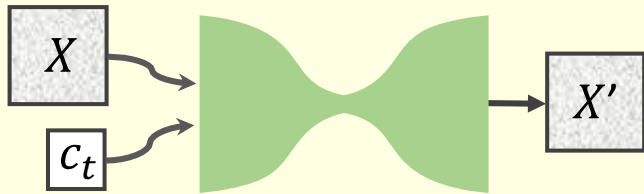
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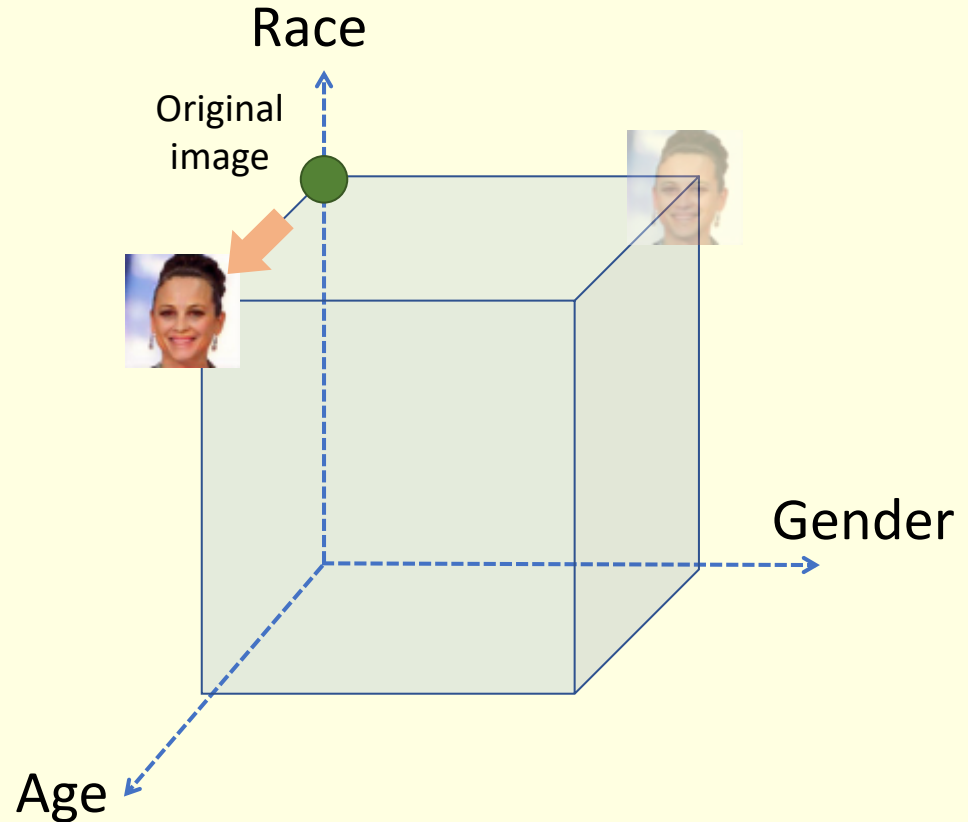
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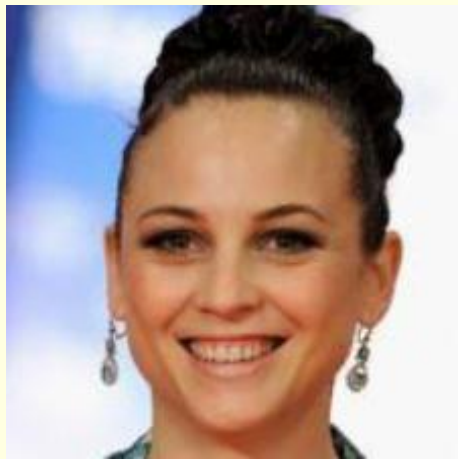
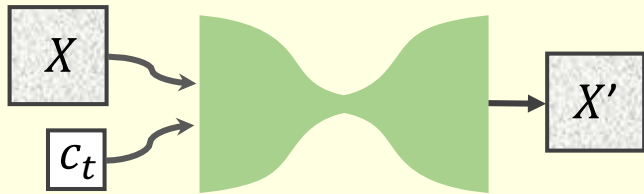
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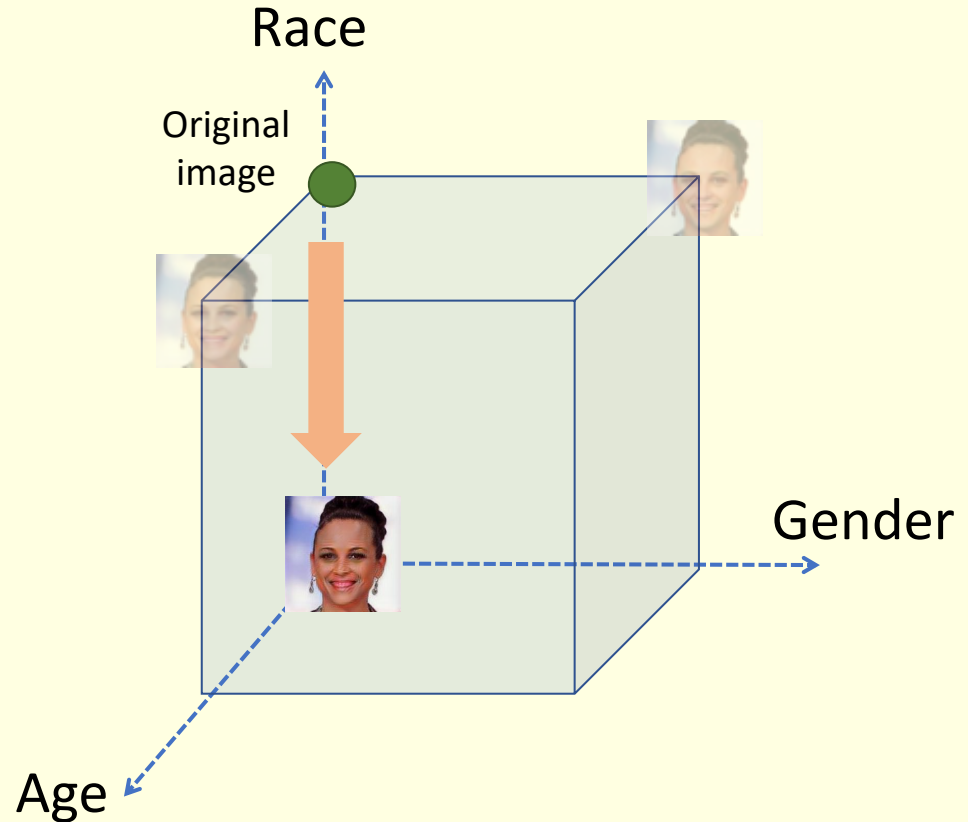


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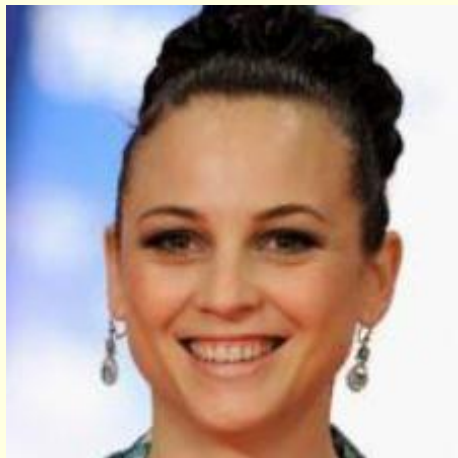
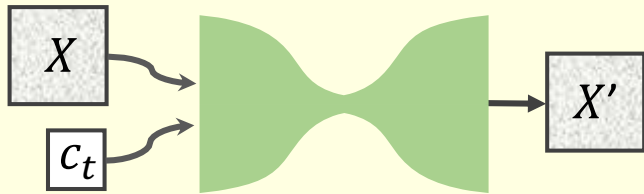


$c_t$   
[Male, Mid-age, Cauc.]  
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# Face Transformation Using PrivacyNet



$c_t$

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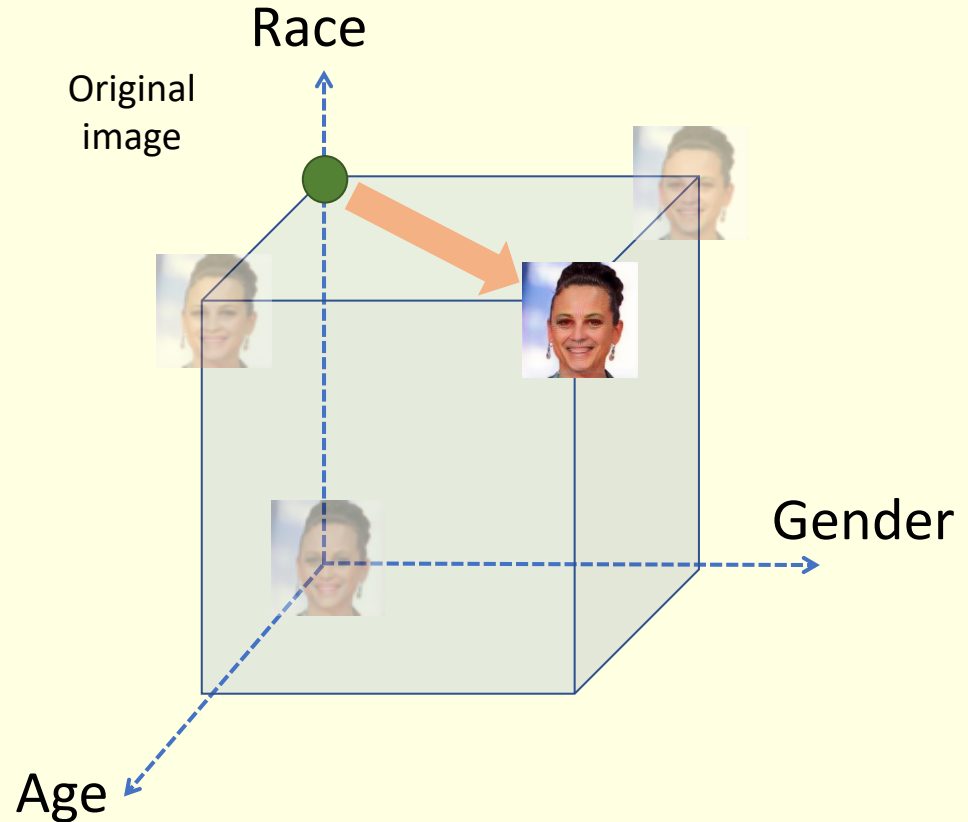
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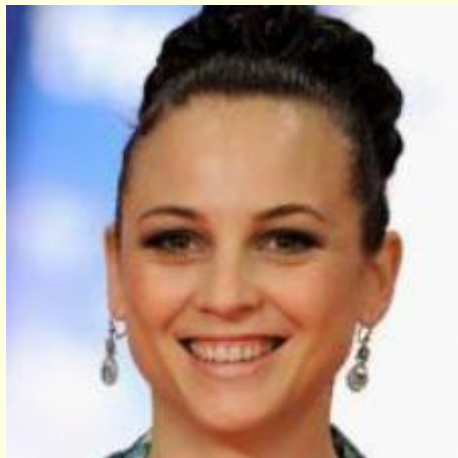
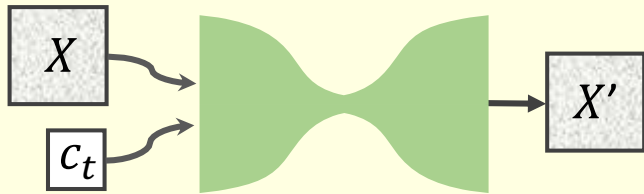
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# Face Transformation Using PrivacyNet



$c_t$

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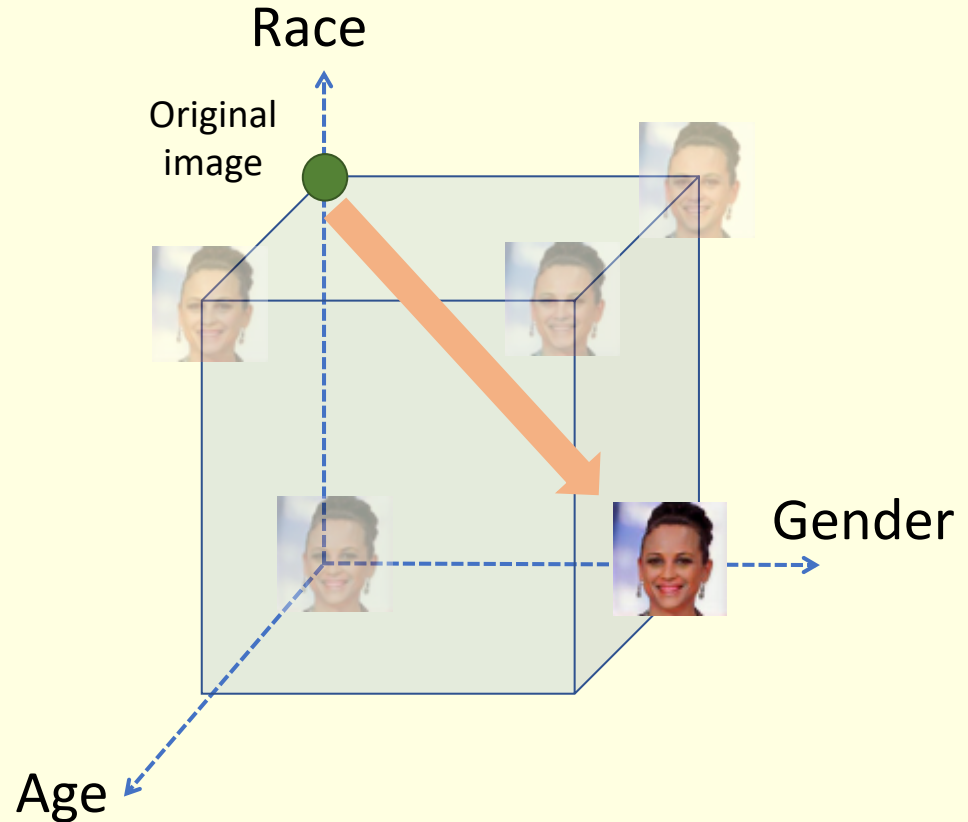
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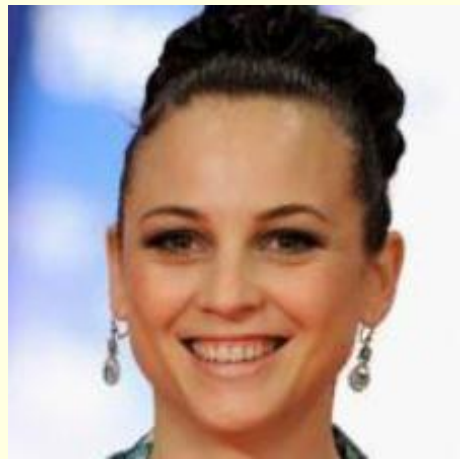
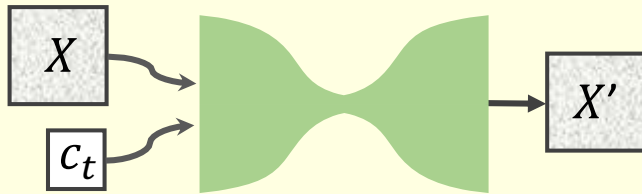
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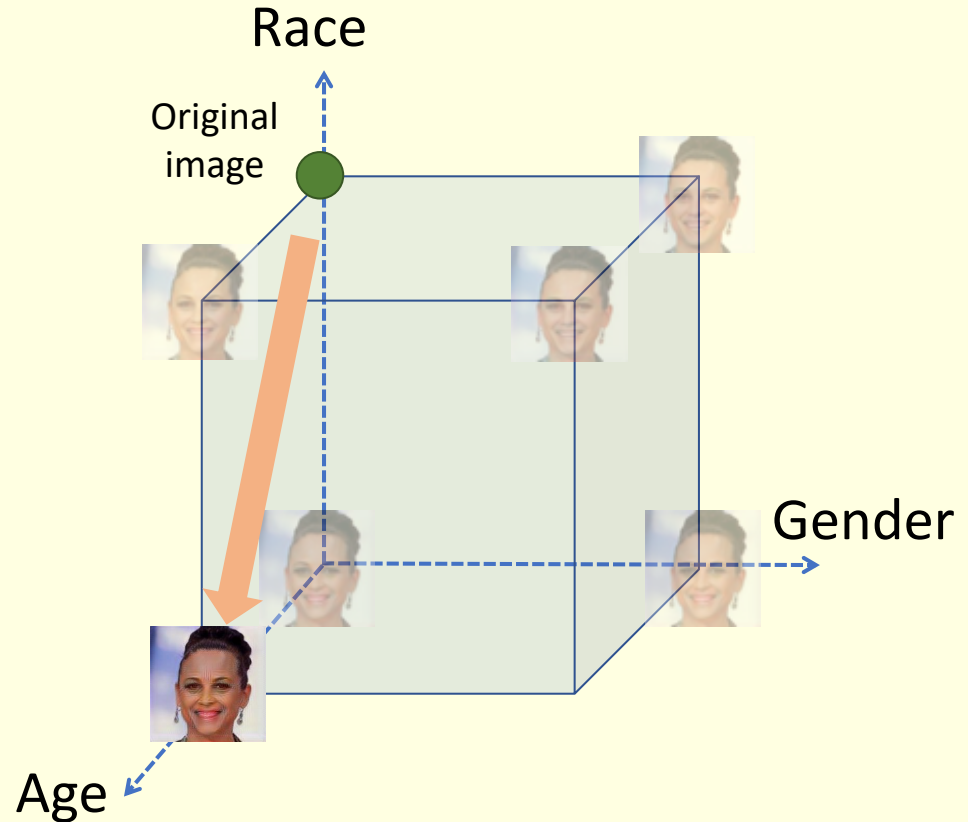


$c_t$

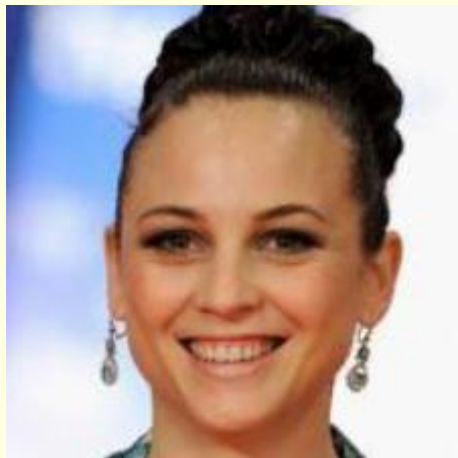
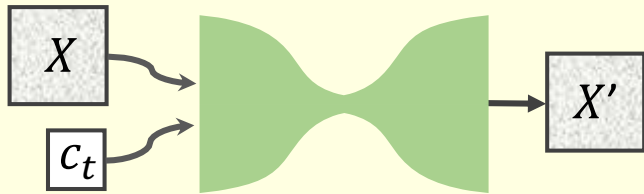
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$c_t$

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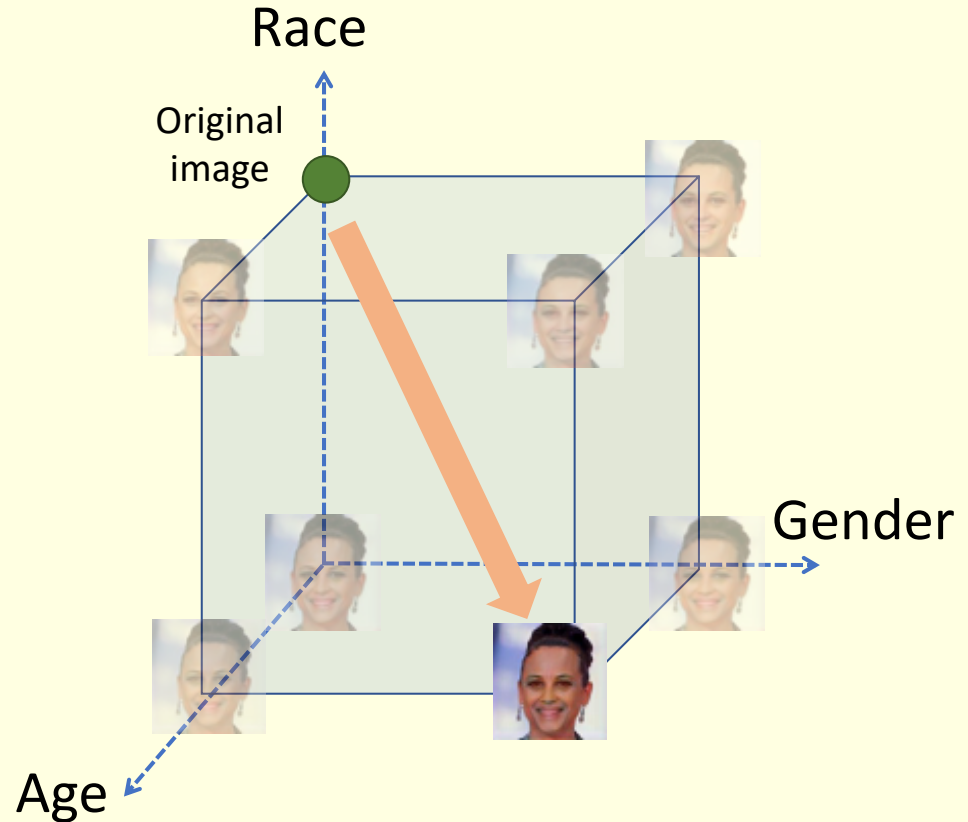
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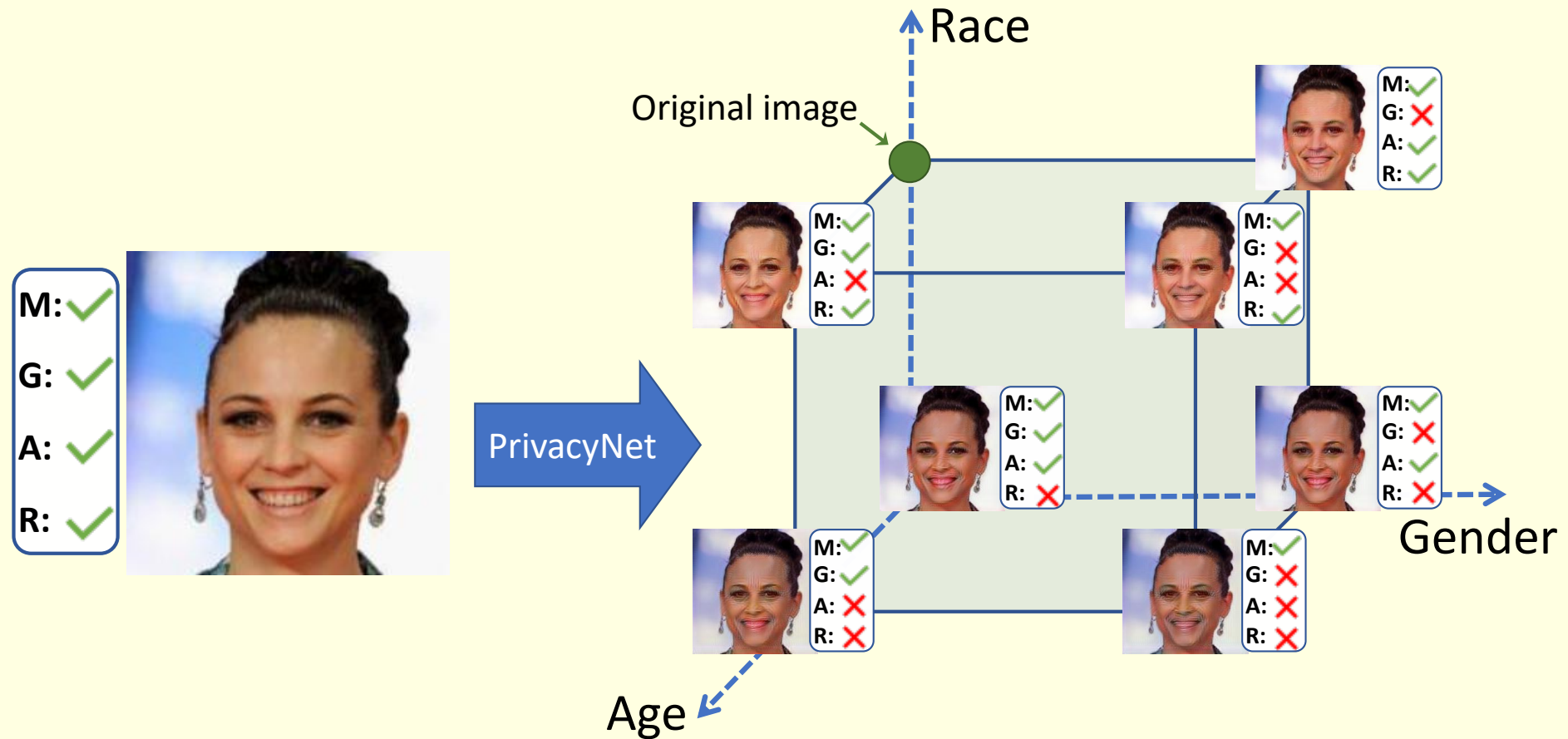
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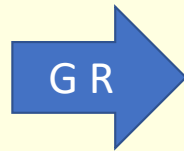
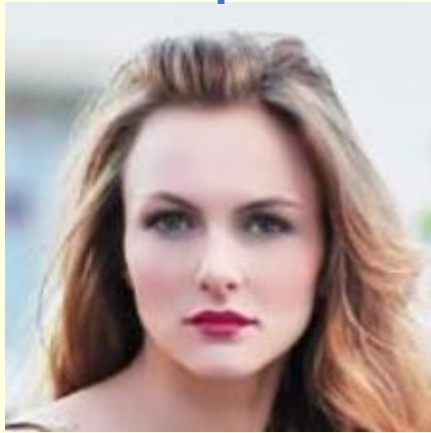


# Face Transformation Using PrivacyNet



# Face Transformation Using PrivacyNet

Original Image



PrivacyNet



GAN



Match Scores with original image:

M-COTS: 0.99  
DR-GAN: 0.93  
SE-ResNet-50: 0.72

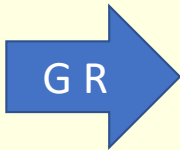
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# Face Transformation Using PrivacyNet

Original Image



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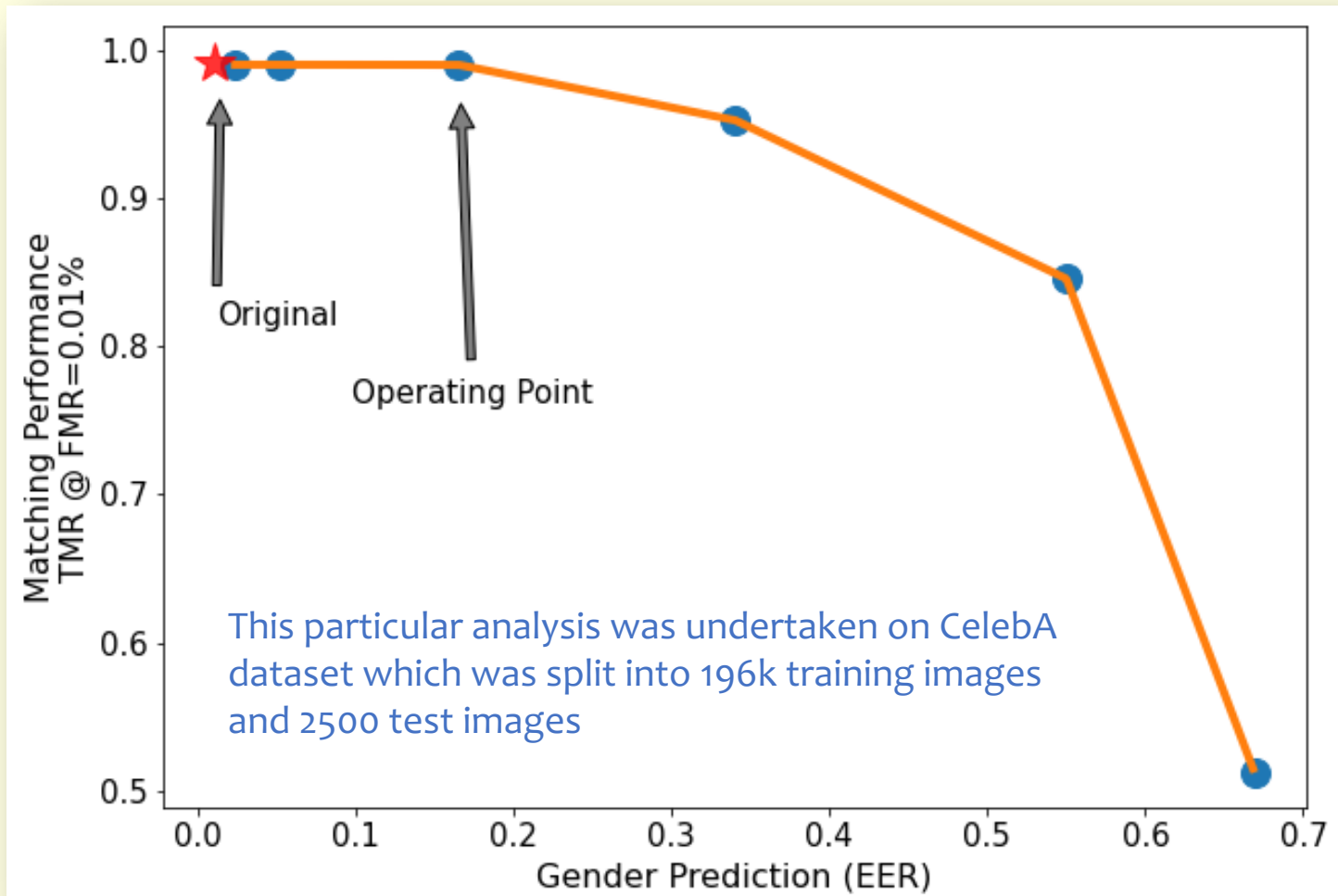
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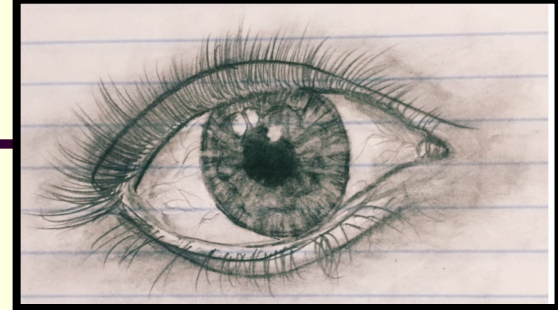
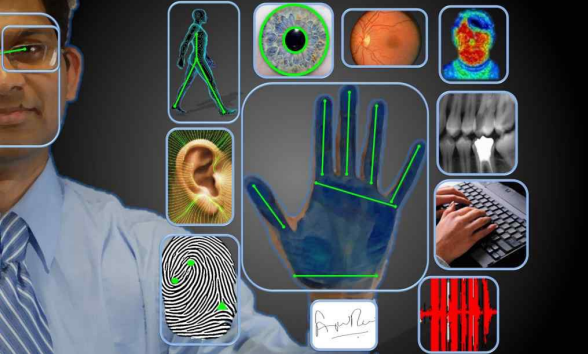
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# Experimental Results



# Summary

- Altered and Synthetic Data
  - Sensor Privacy
  - Morph Attacks
  - Deep MasterPrints
- Digital Image Forensics
  - Which sensor did this image come from?
  - Has this image been digitally tampered?
  - What is the relationship between a set of images?
- Privacy
  - Semi-adversarial Networks (SAN): Controllable Privacy



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