

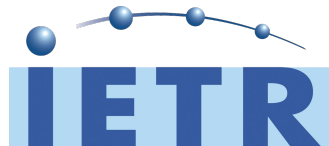


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Hue-Net: Intensity-based Image-to-Image Translation with Differentiable Histogram Loss Functions

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Paper motivation

- New loss based on differentiable histogram construction for image-to-image translation.
- Application to color transfer.
- This presentation will focus on differentiable histogram computation and the earth mover's distance.

Image-to-Image Translation (I2I)

- I2I is a computer vision task.
- I2I aims to learn the mapping between an input image from one domain to an output image from another domain following the style or characteristics.
- I2I has a wide range of applications : image synthesis, segmentation, style transfer, restoration, and pose estimation, color transfer.

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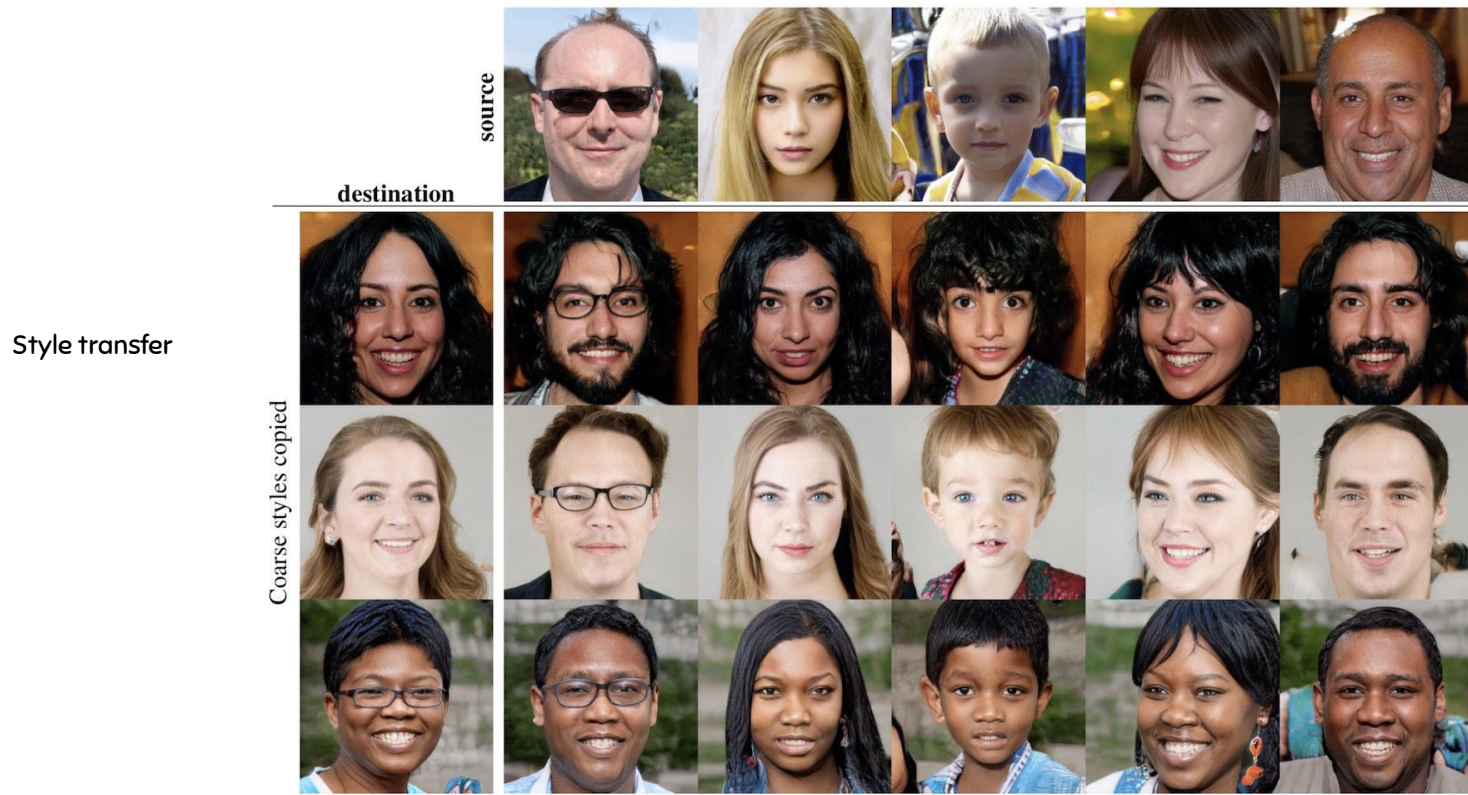
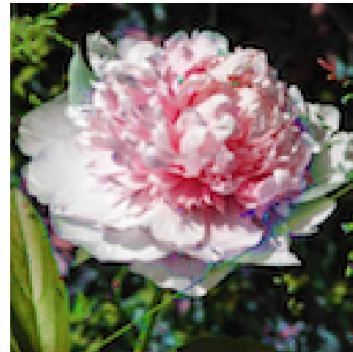
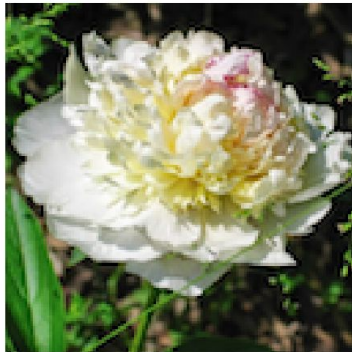


Image-to-Image Translation (I2I)

Color transfer



Source

Target

Output

Source: [HueNet](#)

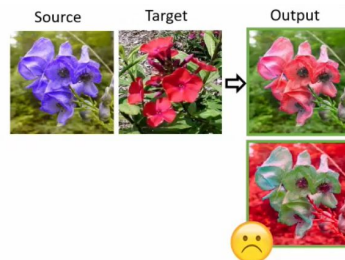
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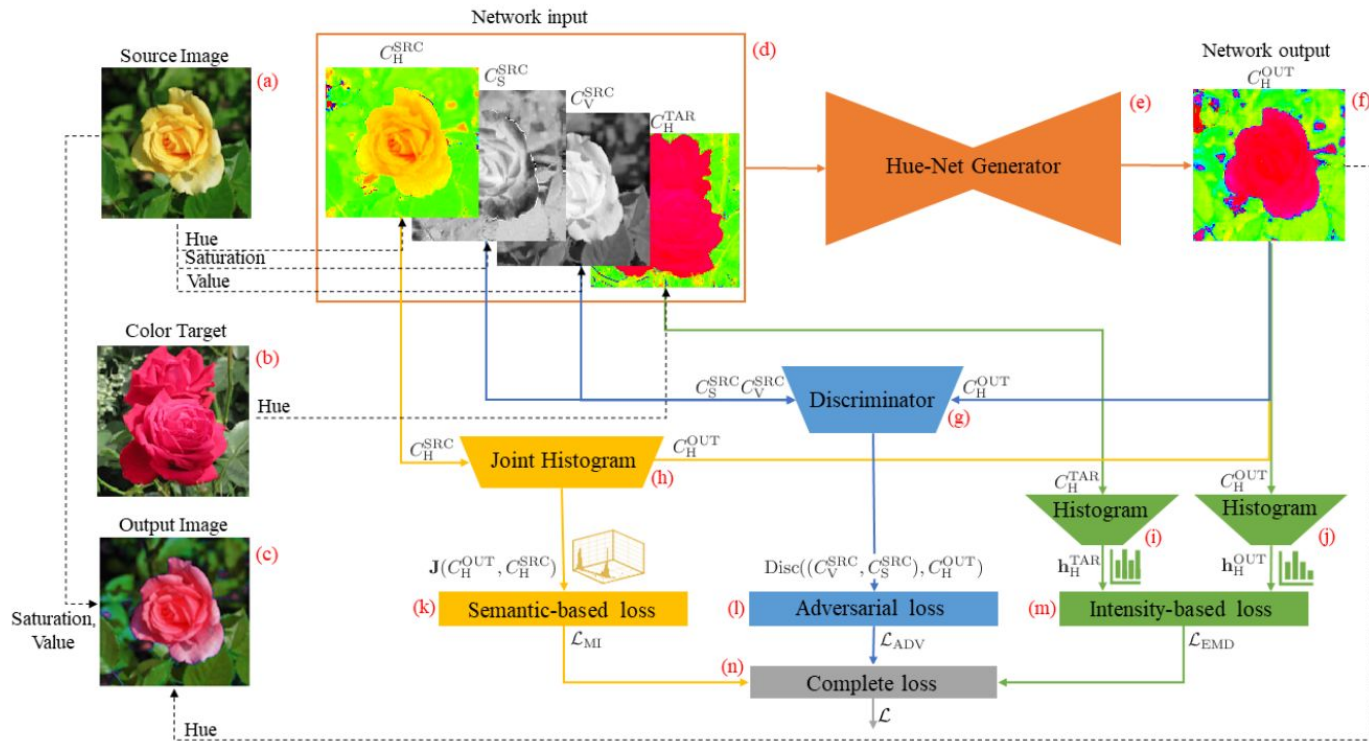
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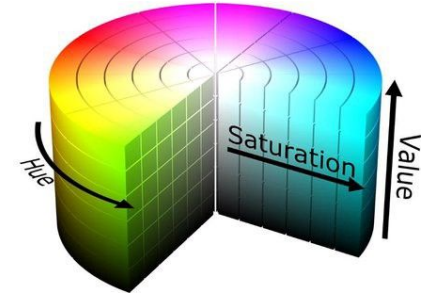
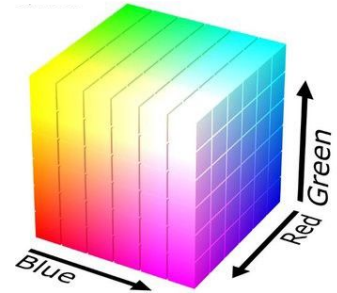
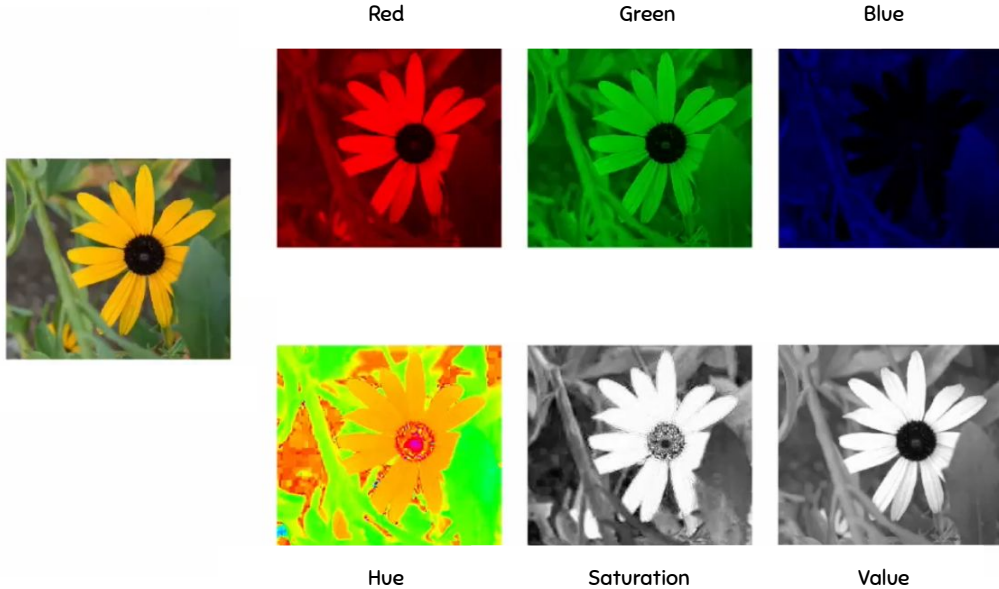
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Hue-Net architecture



HSV color representation

- HSV color representation is used instead of RGB to get the cyclic aspect the loss.



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$$\hat{f}_I(x) = \frac{1}{NW} \sum_{x=1}^N K\left(\frac{x - x_i}{W}\right)$$

$x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]$ a gray scale image - Sample of an unknown distribution.

N Number of pixels in the image.

W The bandwidth.

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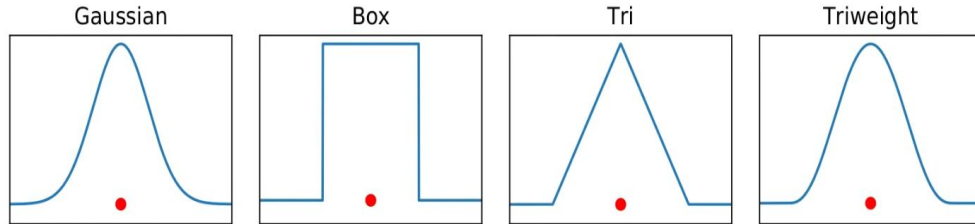
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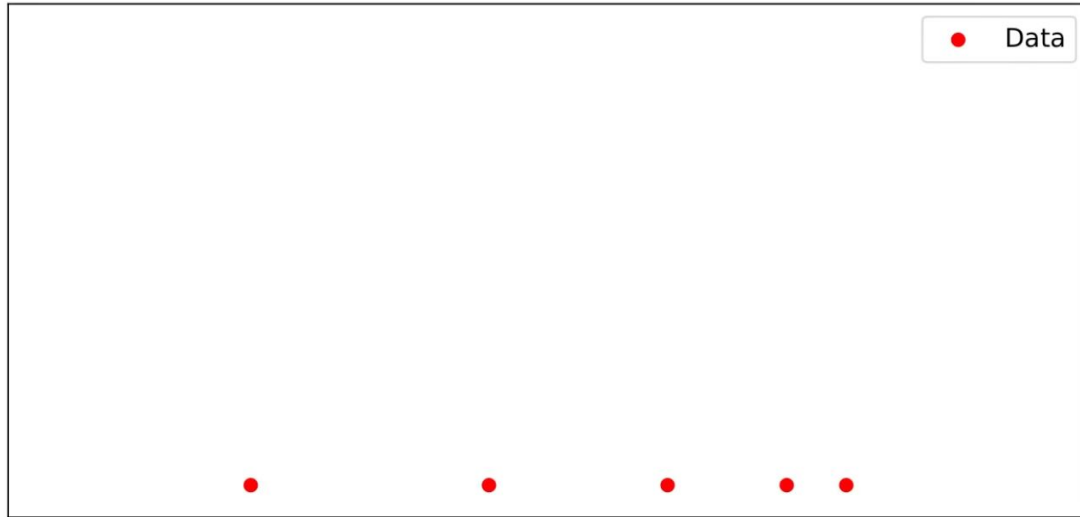
- everywhere non-negative : $K(x) \geq 0$, for every x .
- symmetric : $K(x) = K(-x)$ for every x .
- decreasing: $K'(x) \leq 0$ for every $x > 0$



$$K(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \sigma(z) = \sigma(z)\sigma(-z)$$

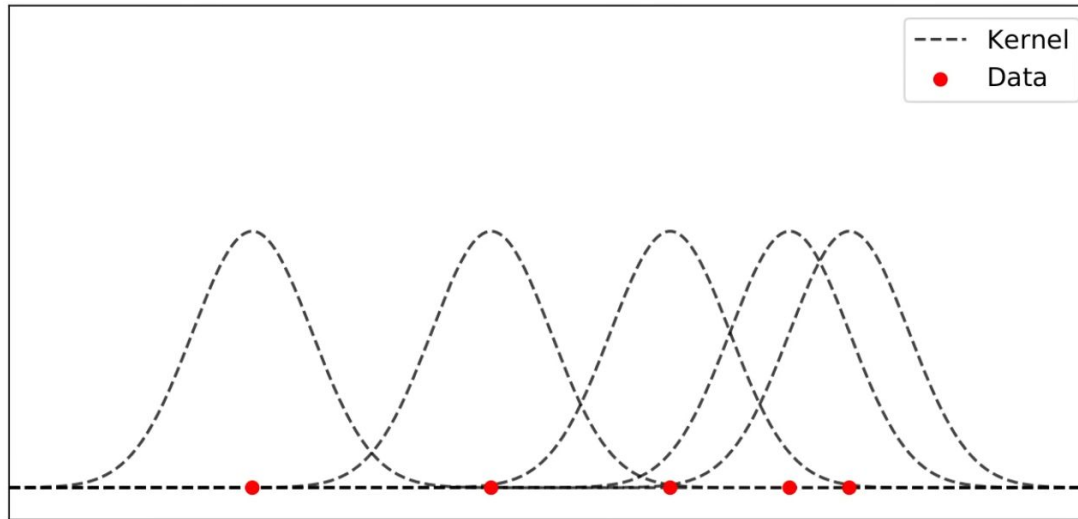
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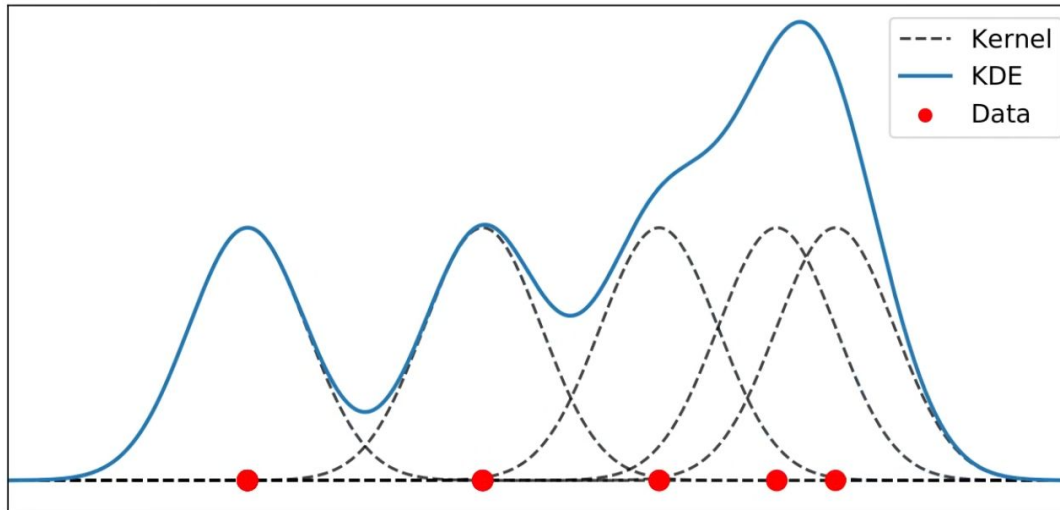
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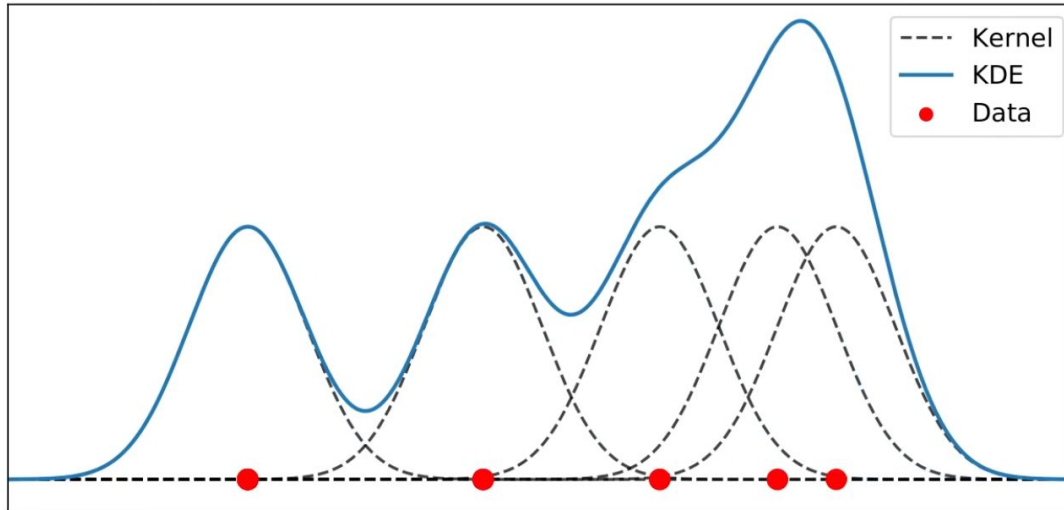
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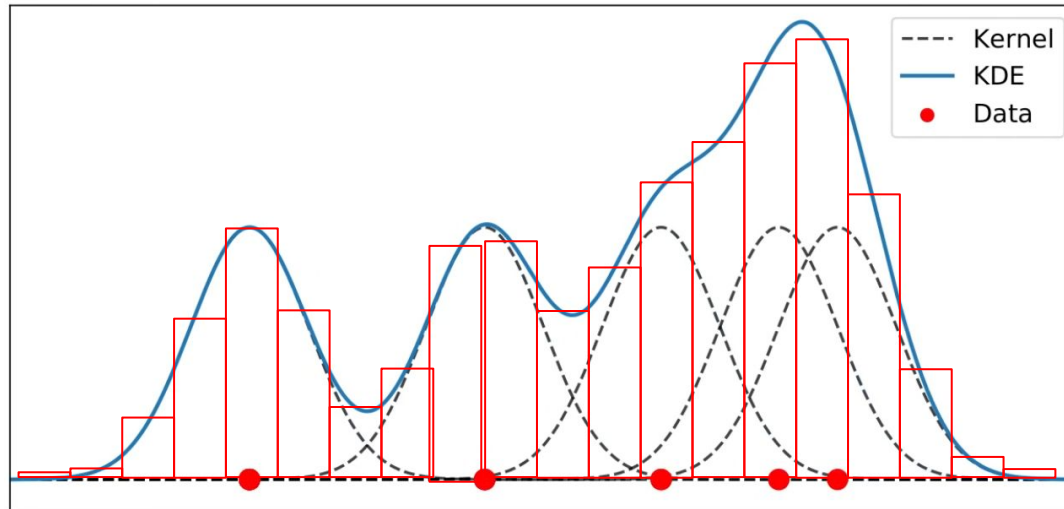


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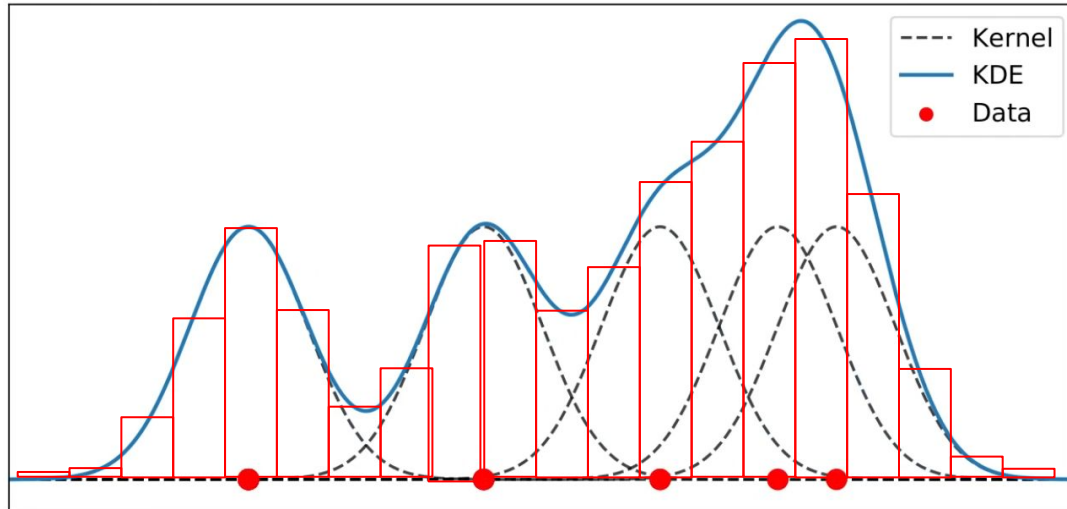


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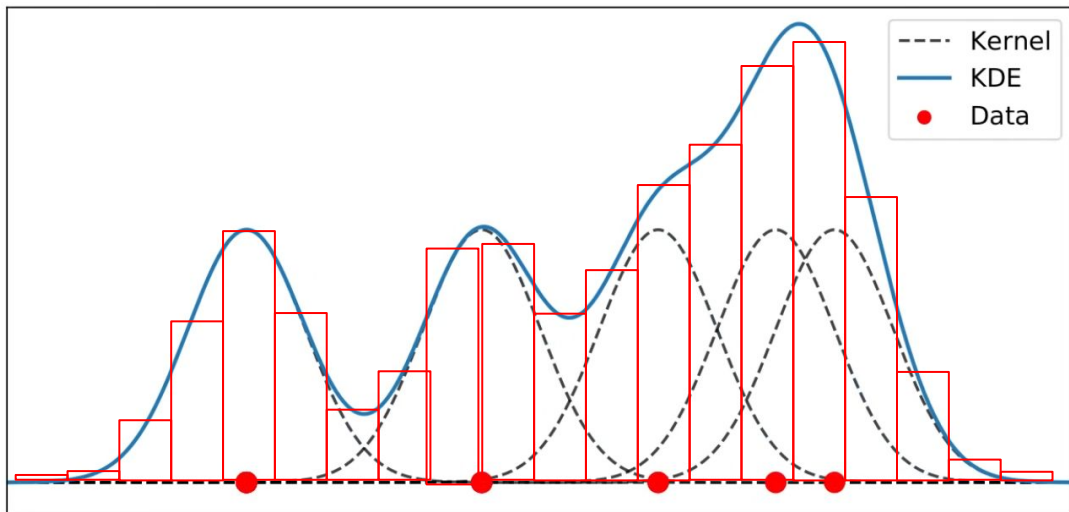
differentiable approximation of Rect function.

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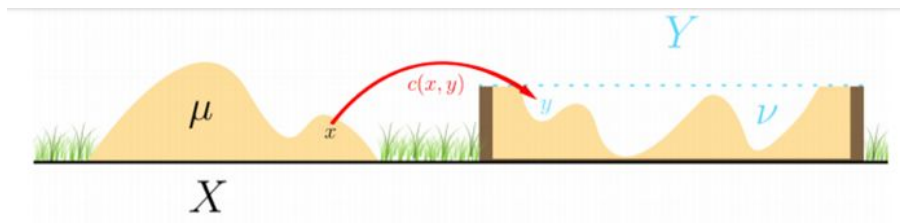
The histogram h of an image I is defined as follows:

$$h = \{\mu_k, P_I(k)\}_{k=0}^{K-1}$$

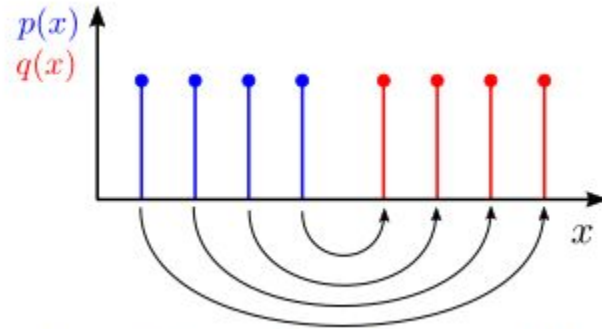
Earth Mover's Distance (EMD).

We assumed previously that we don't know the distribution of the images and we estimate them by KDE.

We can now compute a loss based on these distributions based on Optimal Transport.

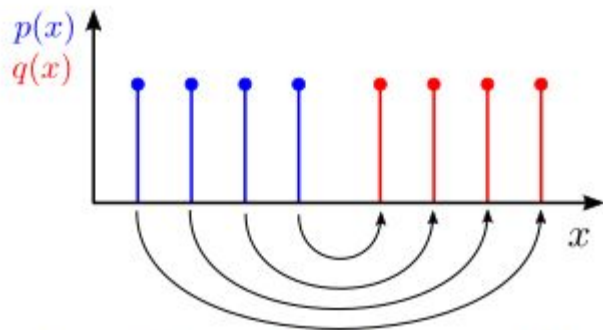


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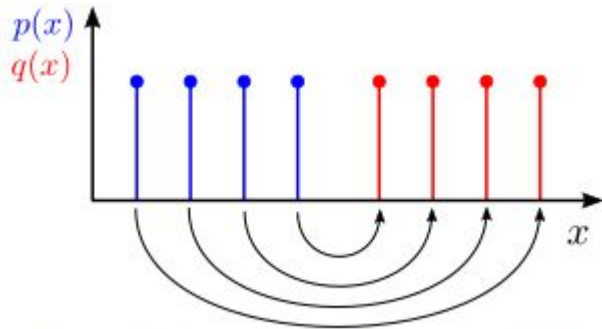


We can define a coupling matrix. That represents how much probability mass from one point in the support of $p(x)$ is assigned to a point in the support of $q(x)$.

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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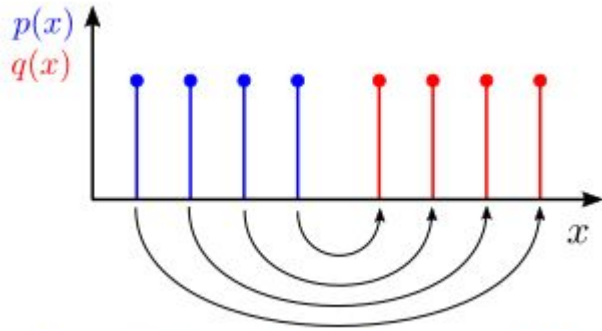
If we assume that the supports for $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $\{5, 6, 7, 8\}$, respectively, the matrix cost is:

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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With these definitions, the total cost can be calculated as the Frobenius inner product between P and C :

$$\langle C, P \rangle = \sum_{ij} C_{ij} P_{ij}$$

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More generally :

$$h_j = \{ \mu_k, P_{I_j}(k_j) \}_{k_j=0}^{K-1} ; j = 1, 2$$

We aim to find a flow that minimizes the overall cost :

$$W(h_1, h_2, P) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{K-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{K-1} c_{k_1 k_2} p_{k_1 k_2}$$

For one-dimensional histograms with equal areas, EMD has been shown to be equivalent to Mallows distance which has the following closed-form solution :

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{EMD}}(\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2) = \left(\frac{1}{K} \right)^{\frac{1}{t}} \| \text{CDF}(\mathbf{h}_1) - \text{CDF}(\mathbf{h}_2) \|_t,$$

Semantic-based metric

The mutual information between two images is defined as follows :

$$\mathcal{I}(I_1, I_2) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{K-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{K-1} P_{I_1, I_2}(k_1, k_2) \log \frac{P_{I_1, I_2}(k_1, k_2)}{P_{I_1}(k_1)P_{I_2}(k_2)},$$

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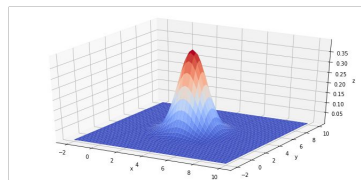
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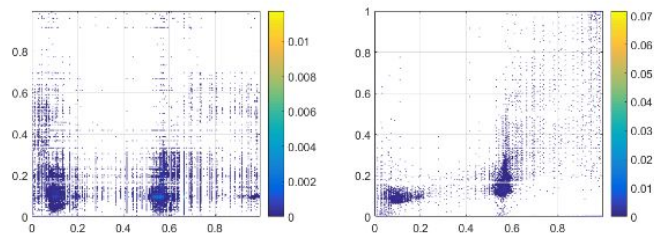
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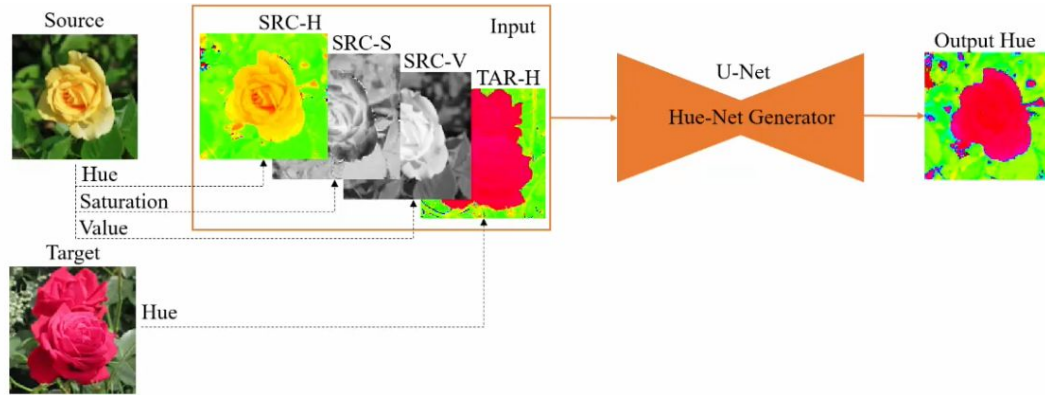
The semantic based metric is defined as following :

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{MI}}(I_1, I_2) = 1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}(I_1, I_2)}{\mathcal{H}(I_1, I_2)}$$

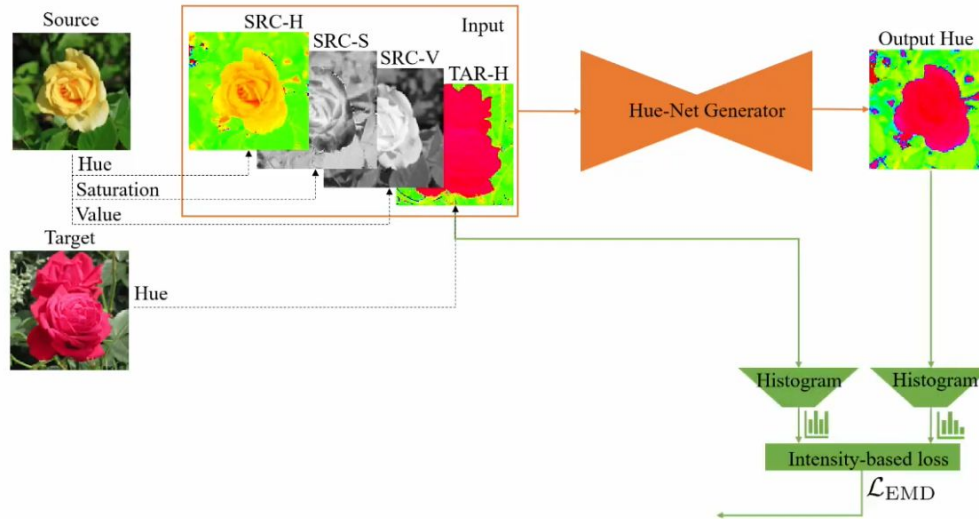


2D joint histograms of source and target

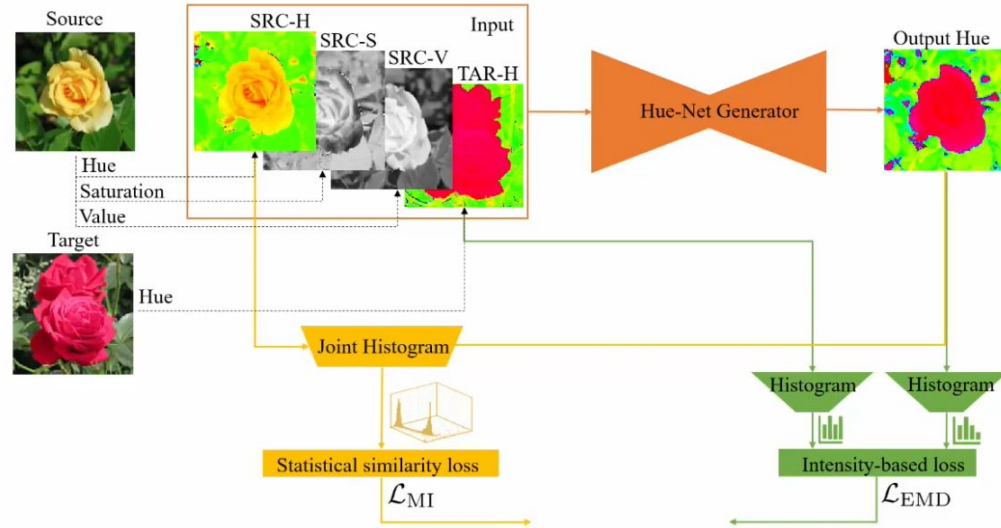
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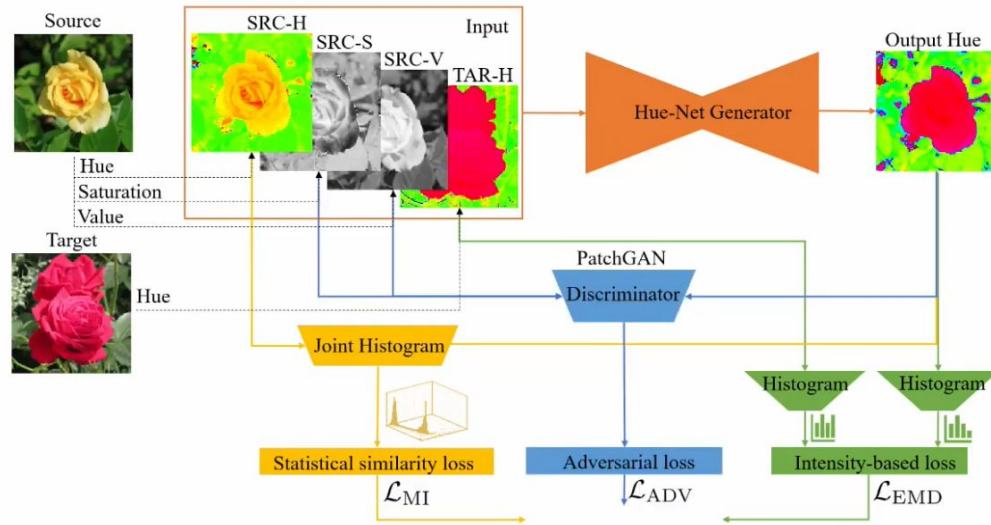
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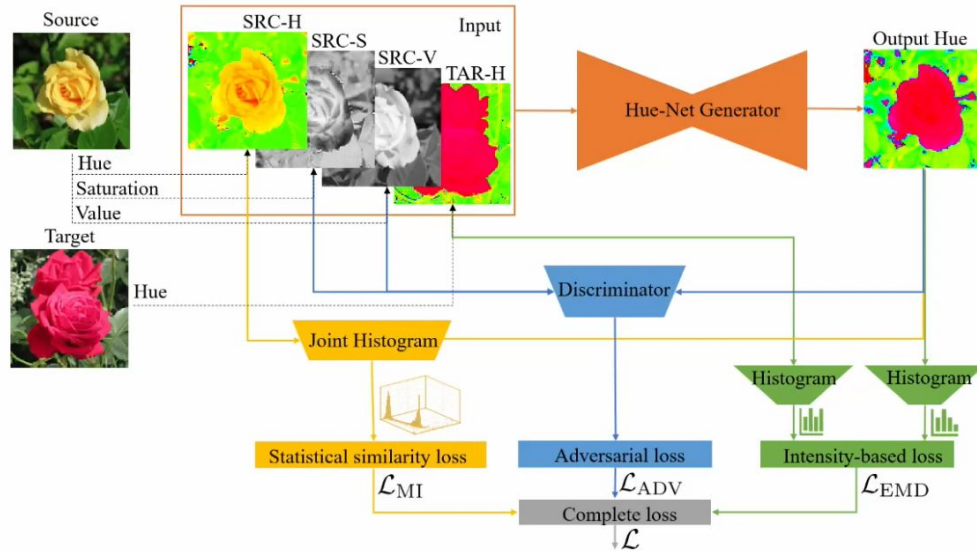
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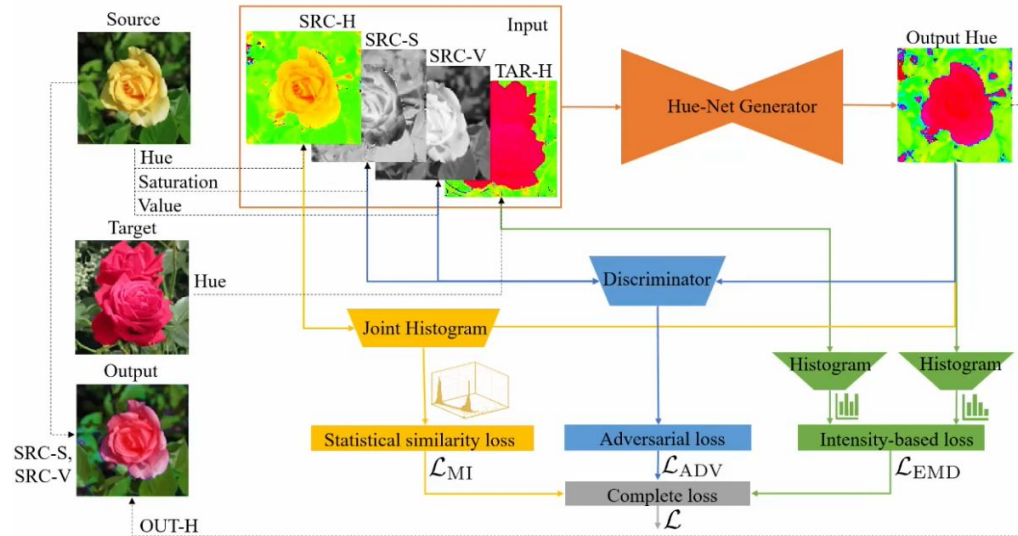
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Datasets:

Flower Color Images – (210 images (128 x128x3))
Kaggle web site:
<https://www.kaggle.com/olgabelitskaya/flower-color-images>

Oxford 102 Category Flower Dataset (8189 images)

Cars Dataset - Stanford AI Lab (16,185 images)

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Perceptual realism

	Real	Fake
Target (real image)	68	32
Output (painted image)	50.5	49.5

Summary and key contributions

- Differentiable cyclic and joint intensity histogram construction.
- Intensity-based loss with EMD
- Mutual information loss for statistical pixel-to-pixel similarity.
- Unified deep learning framework.

