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Intelligent Visual Modeling & Simulation (iGame) Lab

# Bridging Unpaired Facial Photos and Sketches by Line-drawings

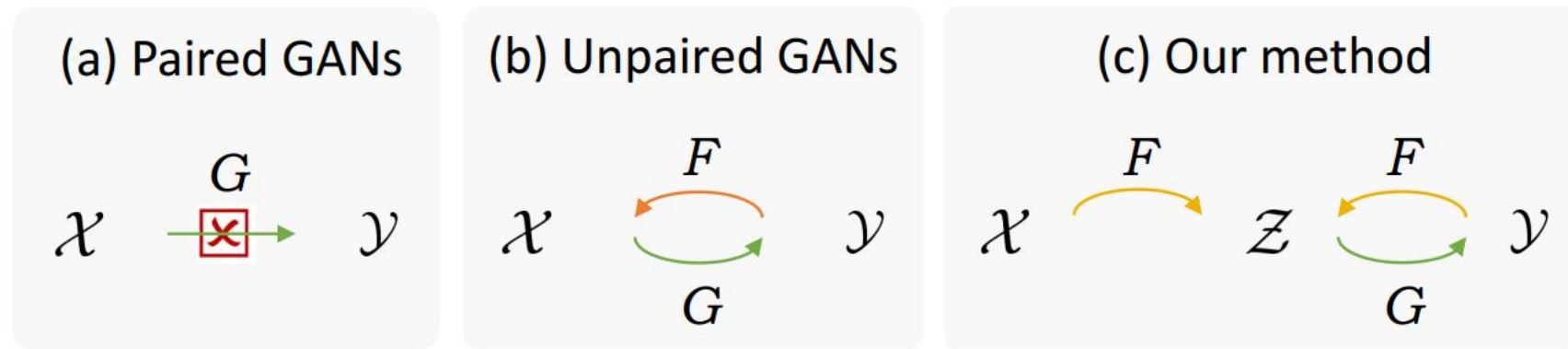
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# Motivations



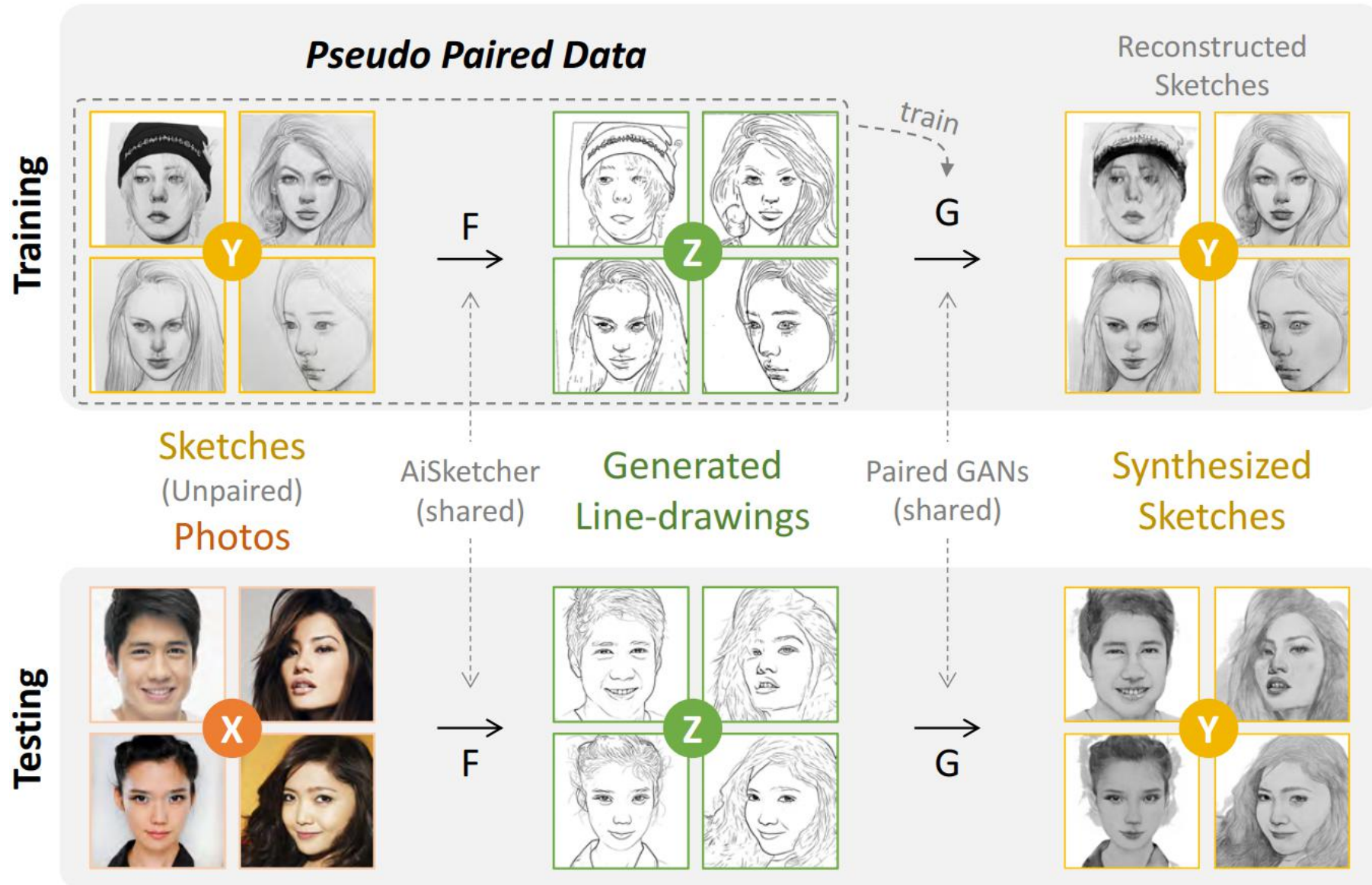


**Fig. 1.** Illustration of applying paired GANs, unpaired GANs, and our method to unpaired training samples.

Our main idea is

**bridging the photo domain and the sketch domain by using the line-drawing domain.**

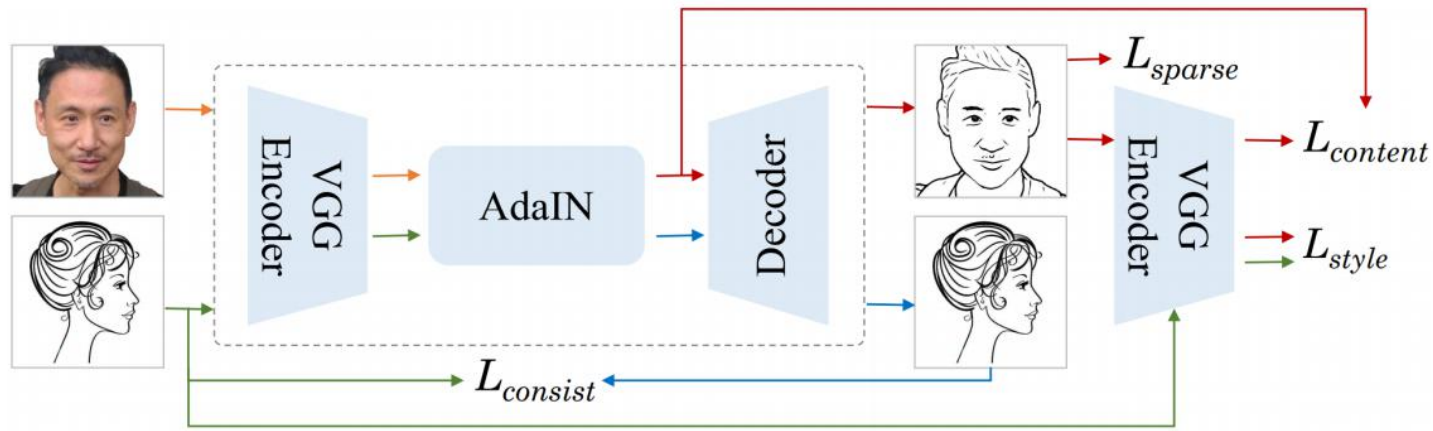
**Our work: sRender**



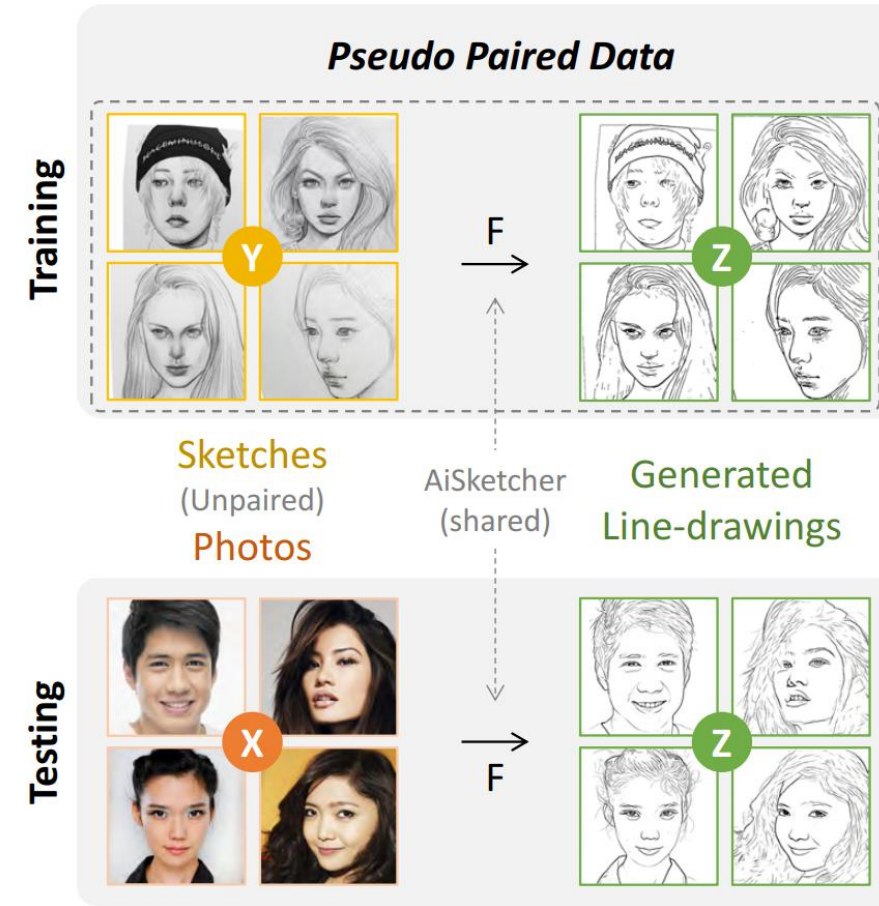
Pipeline of the proposed method

# F: Line-Drawing Generation

- **AiSketcher: Neural Style Transfer (NST) based method, need no paired data.**



Pipeline of AiSketcher



# G: Sketch Synthesis Network

- **Generator**

- 5 Convolutional layers, 9 residual blocks, and 5 Transposed Convolutional layers

- **Discriminator**

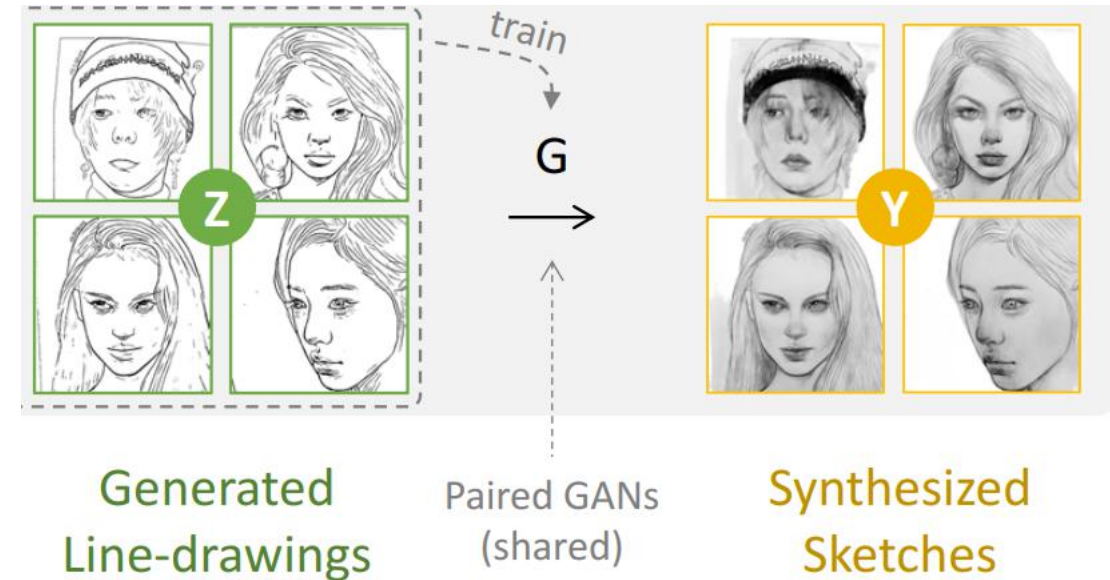
- two discriminators, the same architecture with different scales of images

- **Activation function**

- ReLU and leaky ReLU in the generator and discriminators, respectively

- **Normalization**

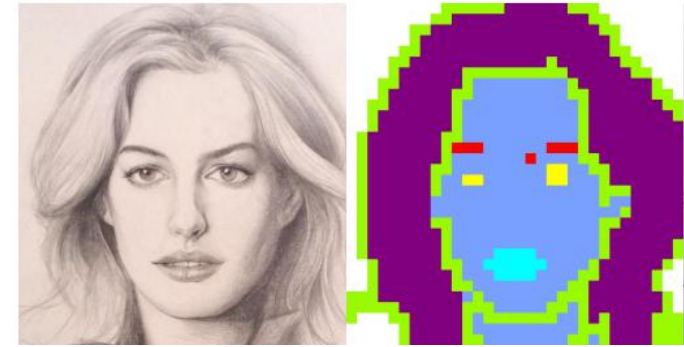
- Instance normalization is used in all networks





- **Stroke Loss**

- human artists present different facial areas by using diverse strokes.
  - 7 types of strokes according to facial areas:  
skin, hair, boundary, eye brow, eye, lips, and ear.
- train a CNN to correctly classify the stroke type of a given patch, and calculate the loss by



$$\mathcal{L}_{str} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_j \|\psi^j(y_i) - \psi^j(G(z_i))\|_2$$

- **Full Objective**

- We additionally use **perceptual loss**, **adversarial loss**, the **feature matching loss**:

$$(G^* D_k^*) = \min_G \max_{D_k} \mathcal{L}_{adv} + \lambda_1 \mathcal{L}_{FM} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{L}_{VGG} + \lambda_3 \mathcal{L}_{str}$$

we set  $\lambda_1 = 100$  ,  $\lambda_2 = 10$  and  $\lambda_3 = 0.002$

# Experiments

- **Collect from Web: about 300 sketches each type.**

croquis @HYEJUNG



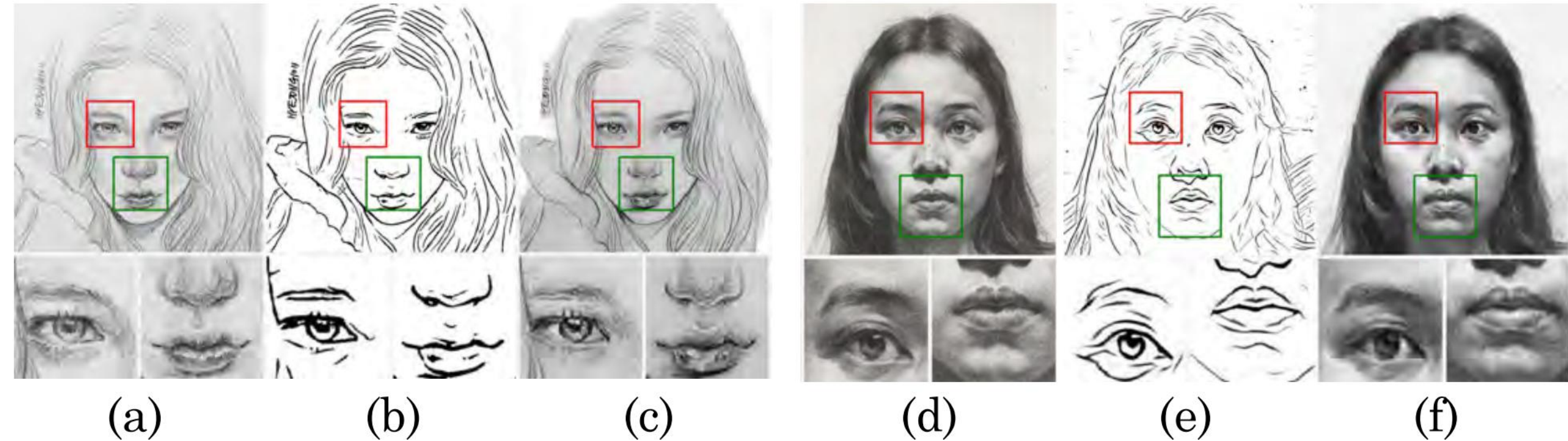
charcoal



- **Photos: about 500 facial photos**



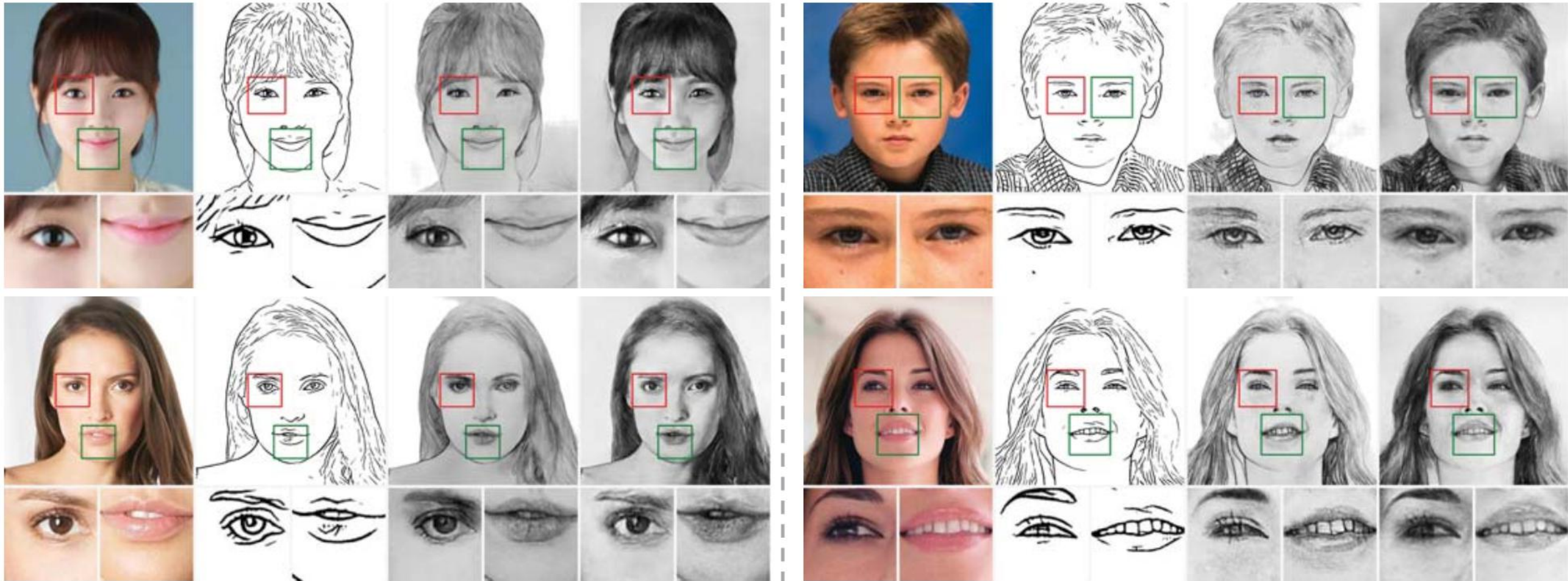
example of facial photos select from CelebA-HQ



(a) Real croquis sketch, (b) synthesised line-drawing, (c) reconstructed sketch;  
(d) real charcoal sketch, (e) synthesised line-drawing, and (f) reconstructed charcoal sketch

FID of **22.92** on the croquis sketches, and **12.30** on the charcoal sketches

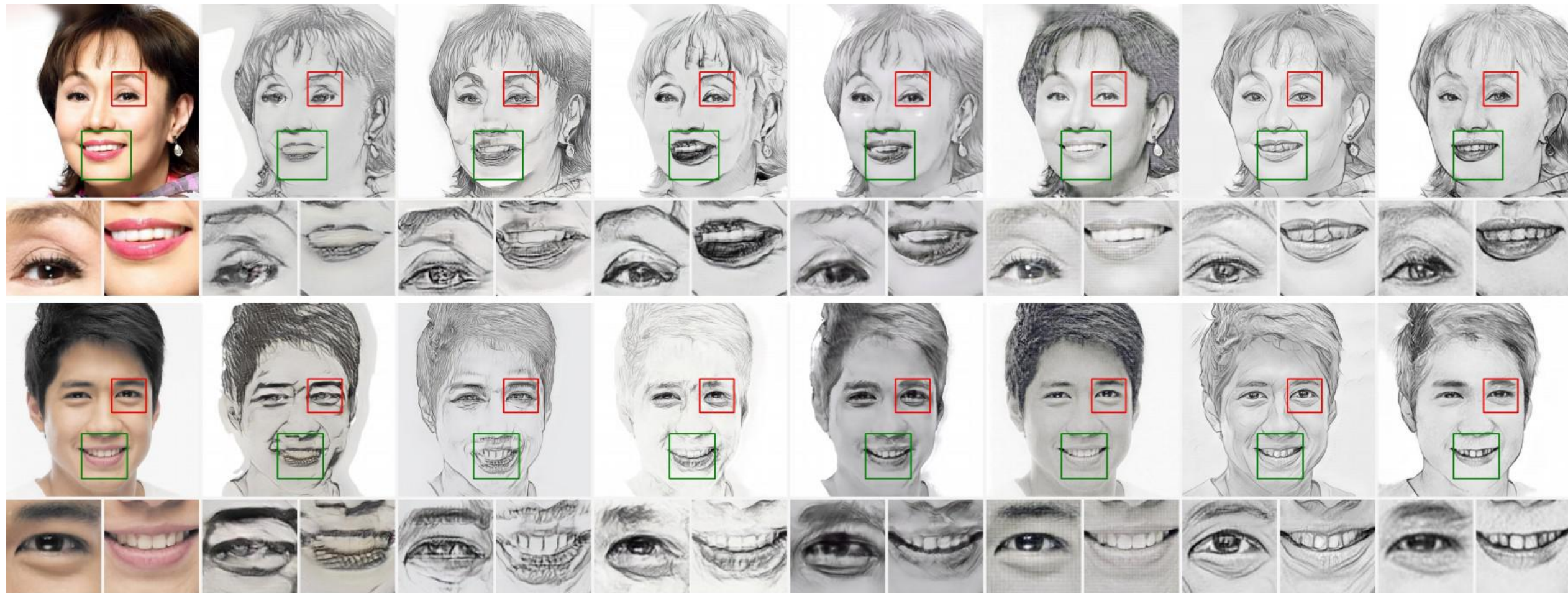
# Sketch Generation



(a) (b) (c) (d) | (a) (b) (c) (d)

(a) Input photo, (b) synthesised line-drawing, (c) generated croquis sketch, and (d) generated charcoal sketch

# Comparison with SOTA unsupervised I2I translation methods



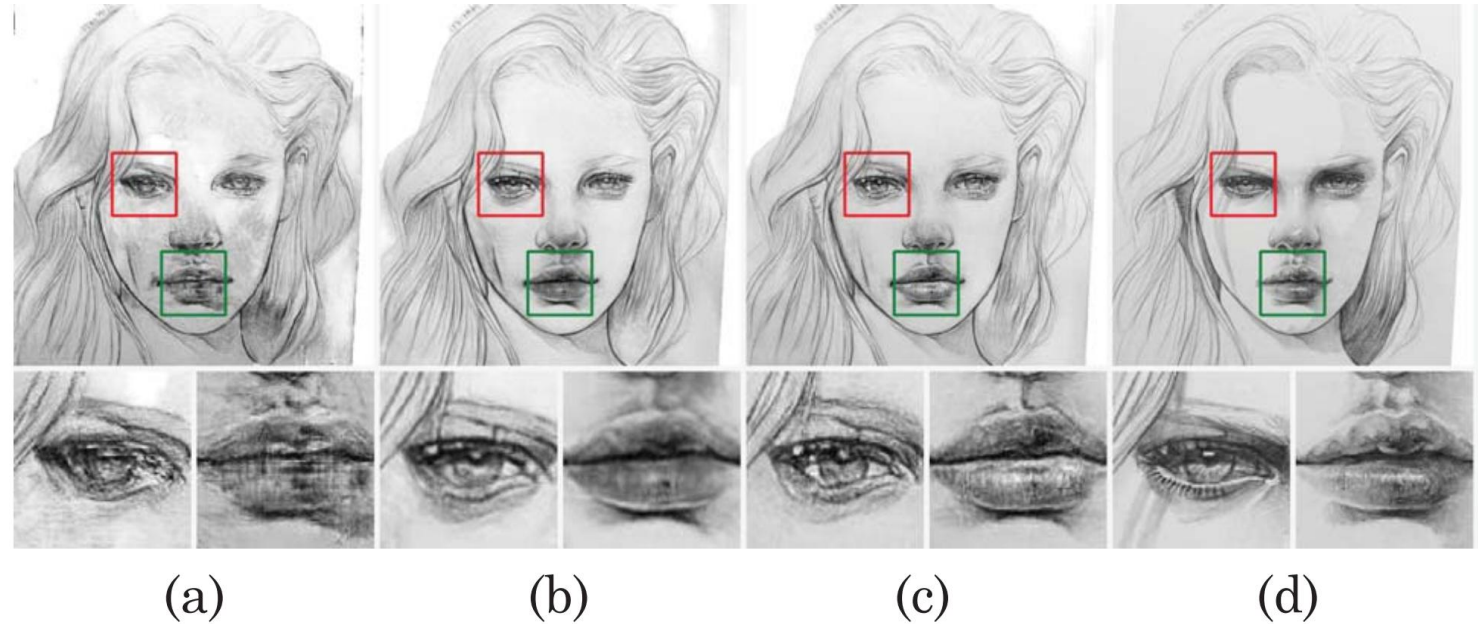
Input      MUNIT      DRIT      NICE-GAN      U-GAT-IT      CycleGAN      AdaIN      sRender

AdaIN [19]    CycleGAN [8]    MUNIT [15]    DRIT [16]    NICE-GAN [26]    U-GAT-IT [14]    sRender (Ours)

FID |    49.43            45.51            46.35            42.80            39.71            48.26            **30.35**

- **Croquis sketch Reconstruction**

- (a) sRender<sub>Pix2Pix</sub>
- (b) sRender w/o  $\mathcal{L}_{str}$
- (c) sRender, and
- (d) the ground truth.



- **Superiority**

- Pix2PixHD > Pix2Pix
- $\mathcal{L}_{str}$  leads to realistic textures

	sRender <sub>Pix2Pix</sub>	sRender w/o $\mathcal{L}_{str}$	sRender
FID	37.49	22.97	<b>22.92</b>
Scoot	0.557	0.570	<b>0.587</b>
Acc.	0.672	0.739	<b>0.750</b>



# Summary

- **Contributions**

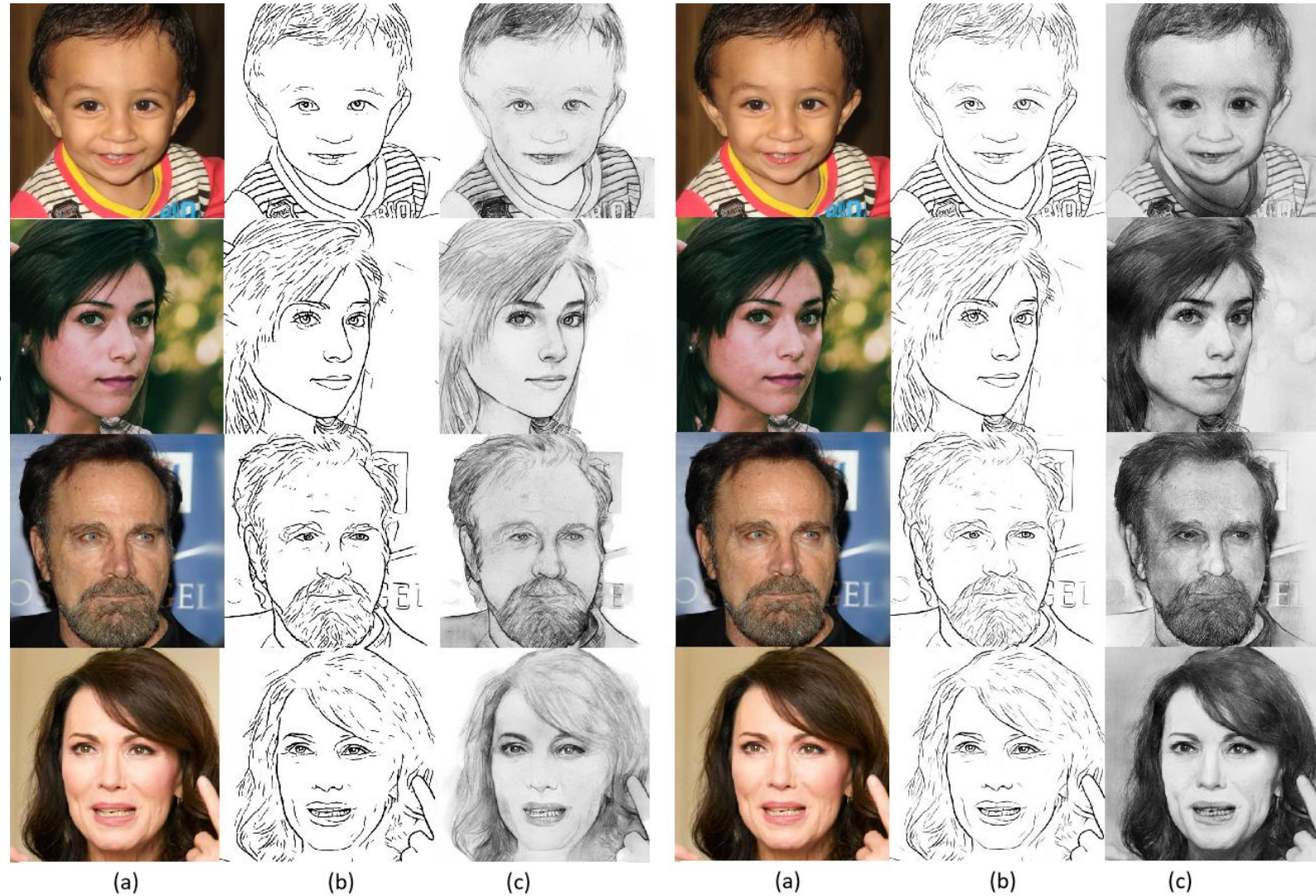
- A novel Framework
- Stroke Loss
- SOTA results



<https://aiart.live/sRender>

- **Future Work**

- Quality improvement
- Various styles of artistic portraits, e.g. oil paintings
- Semi-supervised learning
- Few-shot learning



left: croquis style; right: charcoal style  
(a) photos, (b) line-drawings, (c) generated sketches

- You can try extensions of this work in WeChat or Browser:



WeiXin (WeChat)



WEB API

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