

Closed-Form Factorization of Latent Semantics in GANs

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- **Background**
- Proposed Method
- Experimental Results
- Conclusion

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- ▶ StyleGAN (CVPR-19)

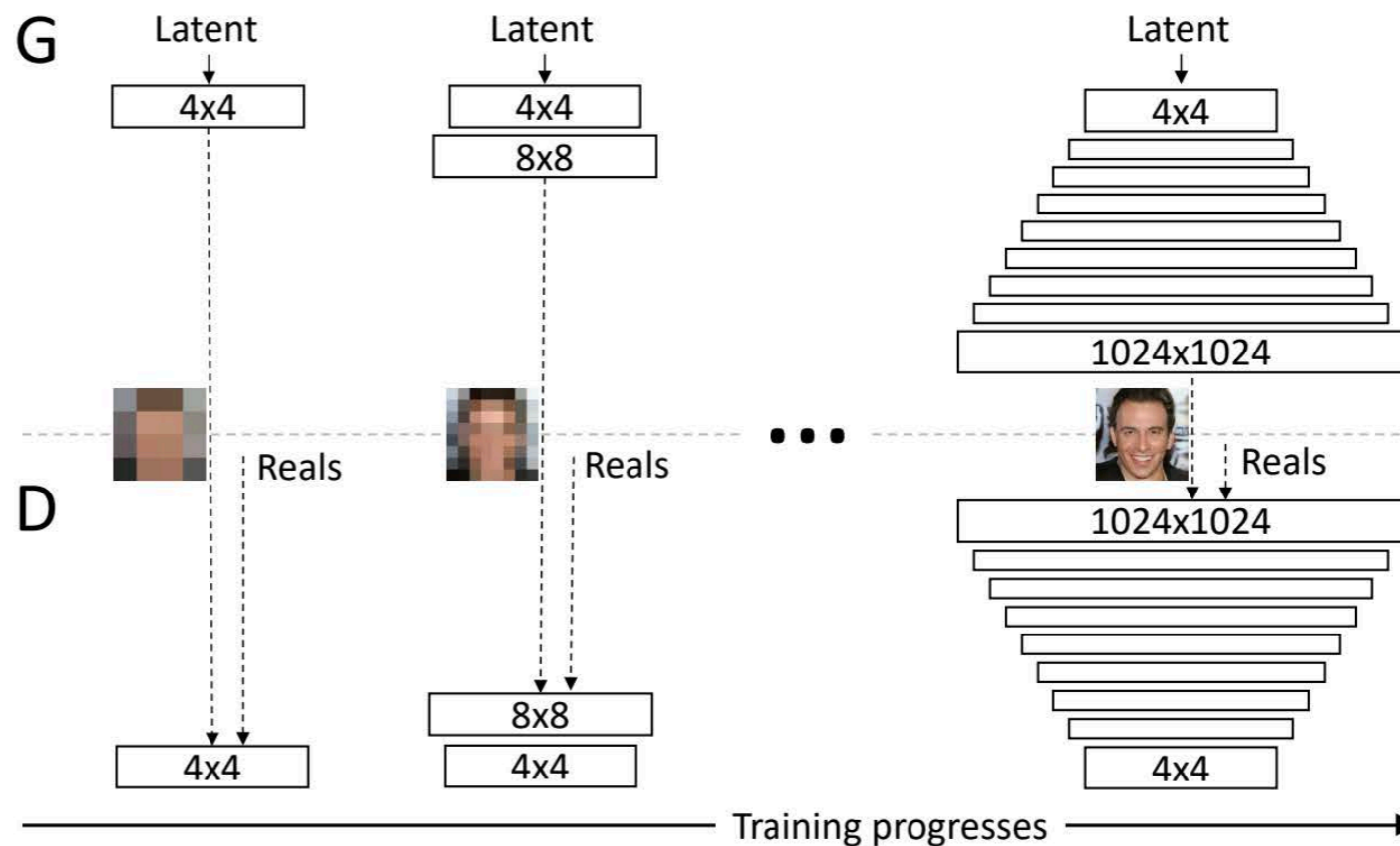
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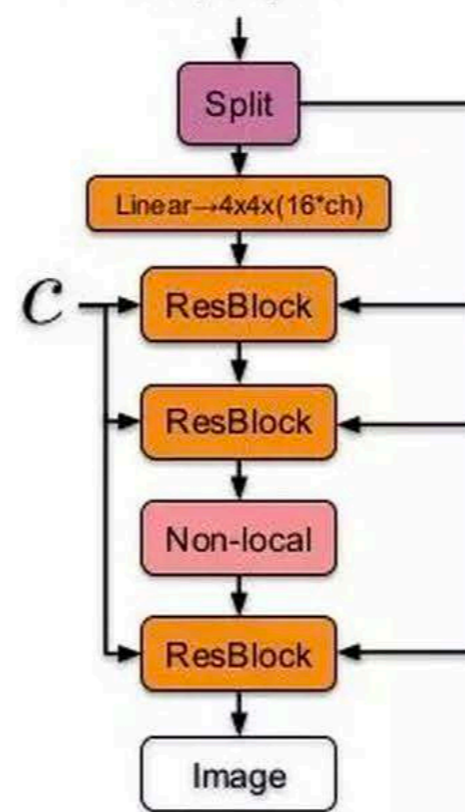
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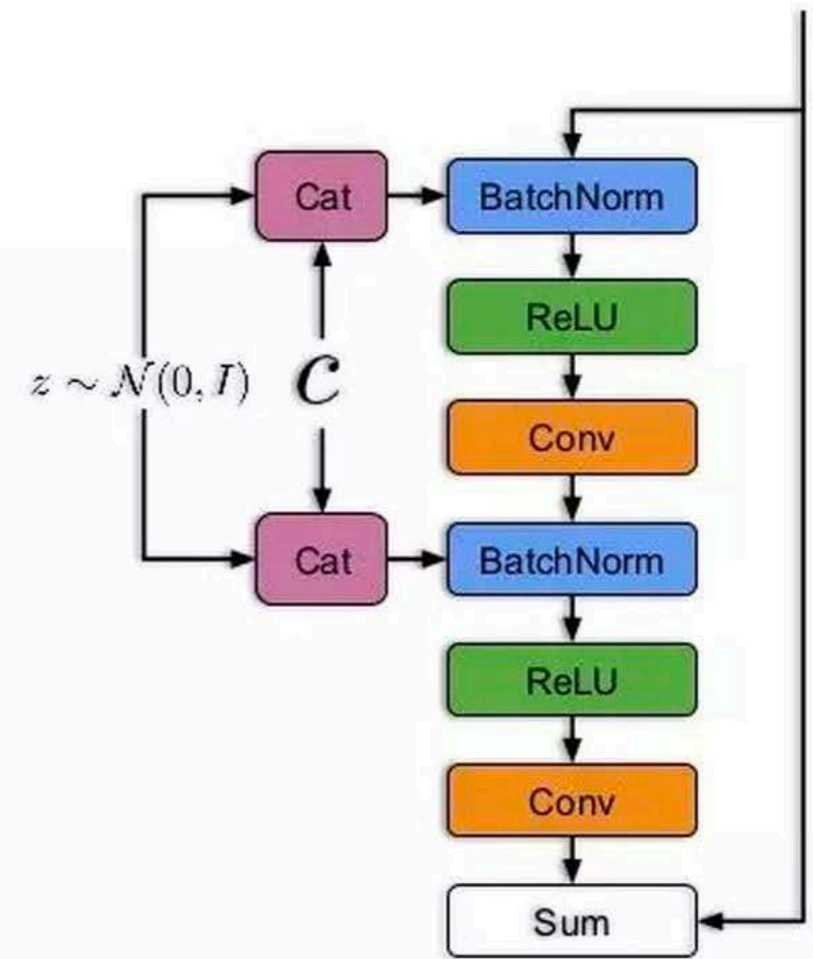
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$z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I) \in \mathbb{R}^{128}$



(a)



(b)

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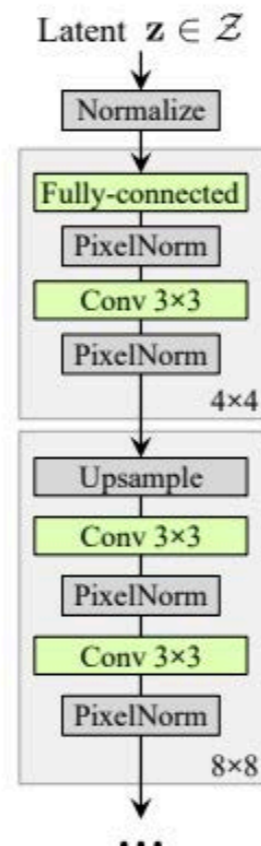
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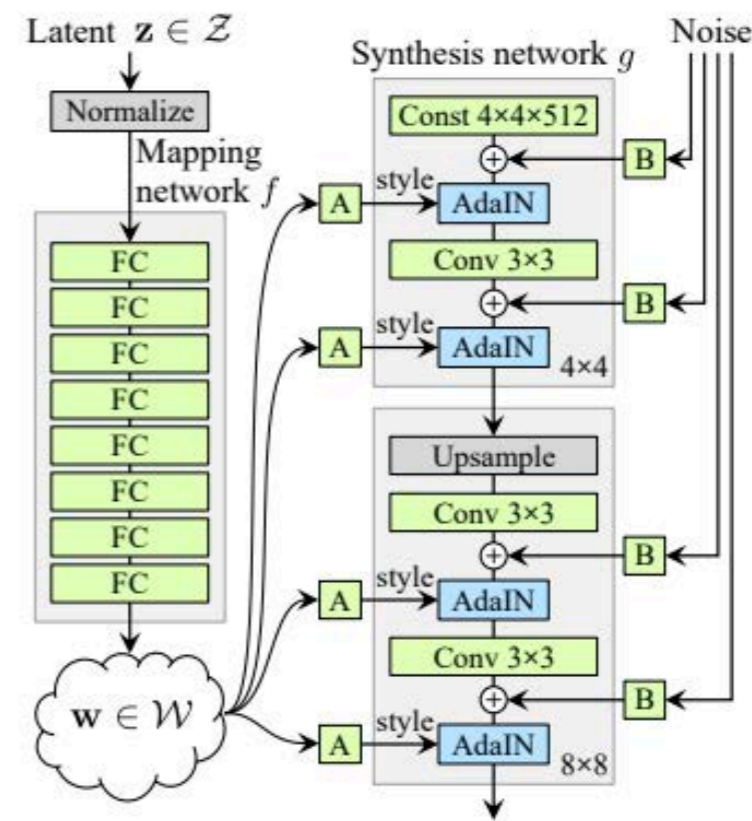
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Traditional



StyleGAN



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PROPOSED METHOD

► Preliminaries

- GAN Generator $\mathbf{I} = G(\mathbf{z})$, z : d -dimensional latent; \mathbf{I} : image
- Focus on the first step, since it is most relevant to the latent space we would like to explore

$$G_1(\mathbf{z}) \triangleq \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{b}$$

- \mathbf{y} : m -dimensional projected code
- \mathbf{A} : weight
- \mathbf{b} : bias

PROPOSED METHOD

► Preliminaries

- Manipulation/Editing

$$\text{edit}(G(\mathbf{z})) = G(\mathbf{z}') = G(\mathbf{z} + \alpha \mathbf{n})$$

- \mathbf{n} : a certain direction to represent a semantic concept
- α : the manipulation intensity

PROPOSED METHOD

► Unsupervised Semantic Factorization

- Manipulation/Editing only consider the first projection step

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y}' &\triangleq G_1(\mathbf{z}') = G_1(\mathbf{z} + \alpha\mathbf{n}) \\ &= \mathbf{Az} + \mathbf{b} + \alpha\mathbf{An} = \mathbf{y} + \alpha\mathbf{An}\end{aligned}$$

- Find directions that can cause large variations

$$\mathbf{n}^* = \arg \max_{\{\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{R}^d: \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n} = 1\}} \|\mathbf{An}\|_2^2$$

- If $\mathbf{An} = 0$, the editing will keep the output unchanged

PROPOSED METHOD

► Unsupervised Semantic Factorization

- Find the k most important directions

$$\mathbf{N}^* = \arg \max_{\{\mathbf{N} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k} : \mathbf{n}_i^T \mathbf{n}_i = 1 \ \forall i=1, \dots, k\}} \sum_{i=1}^k \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_i\|_2^2$$

- How to solve? Lagrange multipliers

$$\mathbf{N}^* = \arg \max_{\mathbf{N} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}} \sum_{i=1}^k \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_i\|_2^2 - \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i (\mathbf{n}_i^T \mathbf{n}_i - 1)$$

$$= \arg \max_{\mathbf{N} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}} \sum_{i=1}^k (\mathbf{n}_i^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{n}_i - \lambda_i \mathbf{n}_i^T \mathbf{n}_i + \lambda_i)$$

PROPOSED METHOD

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- Take the partial derivative on each \mathbf{n}_i

$$2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{n}_i - 2\lambda_i \mathbf{n}_i = 0$$

- Solutions are the eigenvectors of the matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$
- The proposed method is called **SeFa** (Semantic Factorization)

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EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

► Interactive Editing by Tuning Interpretable Directions

Pose



Mouth



Eye



EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

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Posture (Left & Right)



Posture (Up & Down)



Zoom



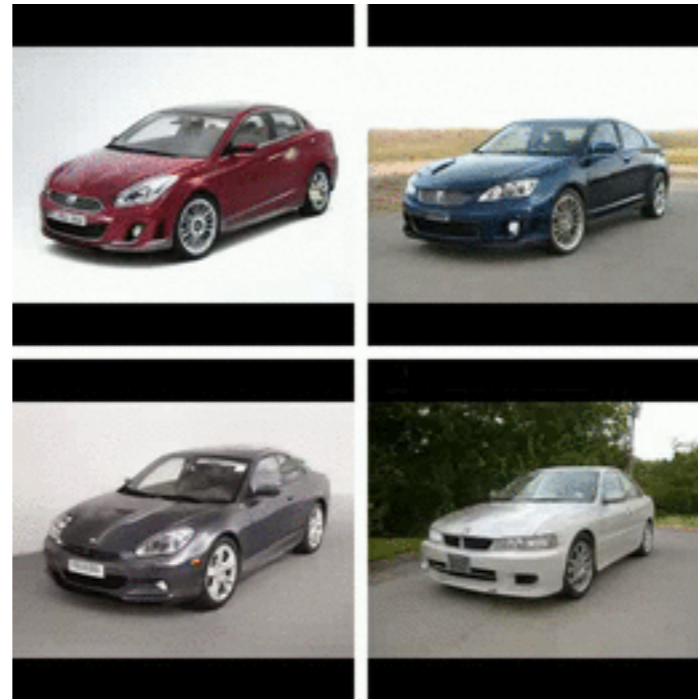
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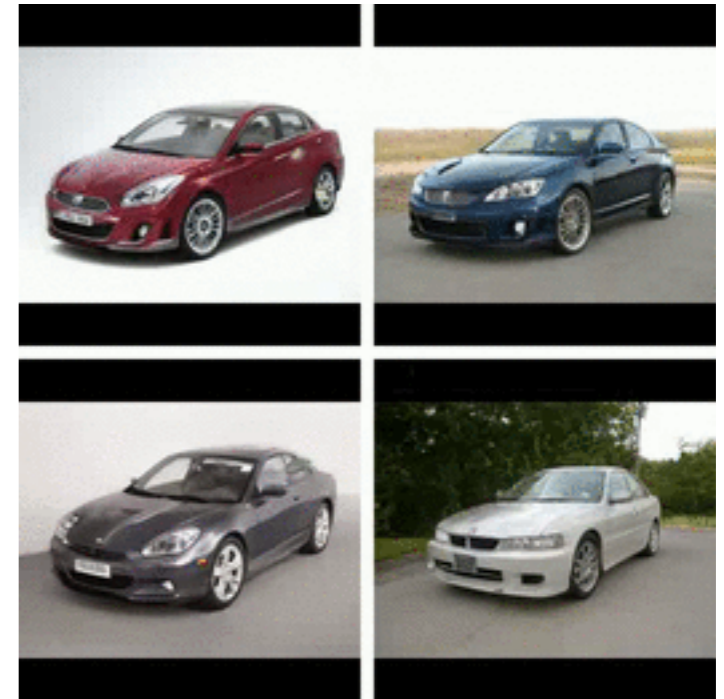
Orientation



Vertical Position



Shape



SeFa: Closed-Form Factorization of Latent Semantics in GANs

Demo Video

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EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

- Results on StyleGAN
- Cars:
 - Bottom layers - rotation
 - Middle layers - shape
 - Top layers - color

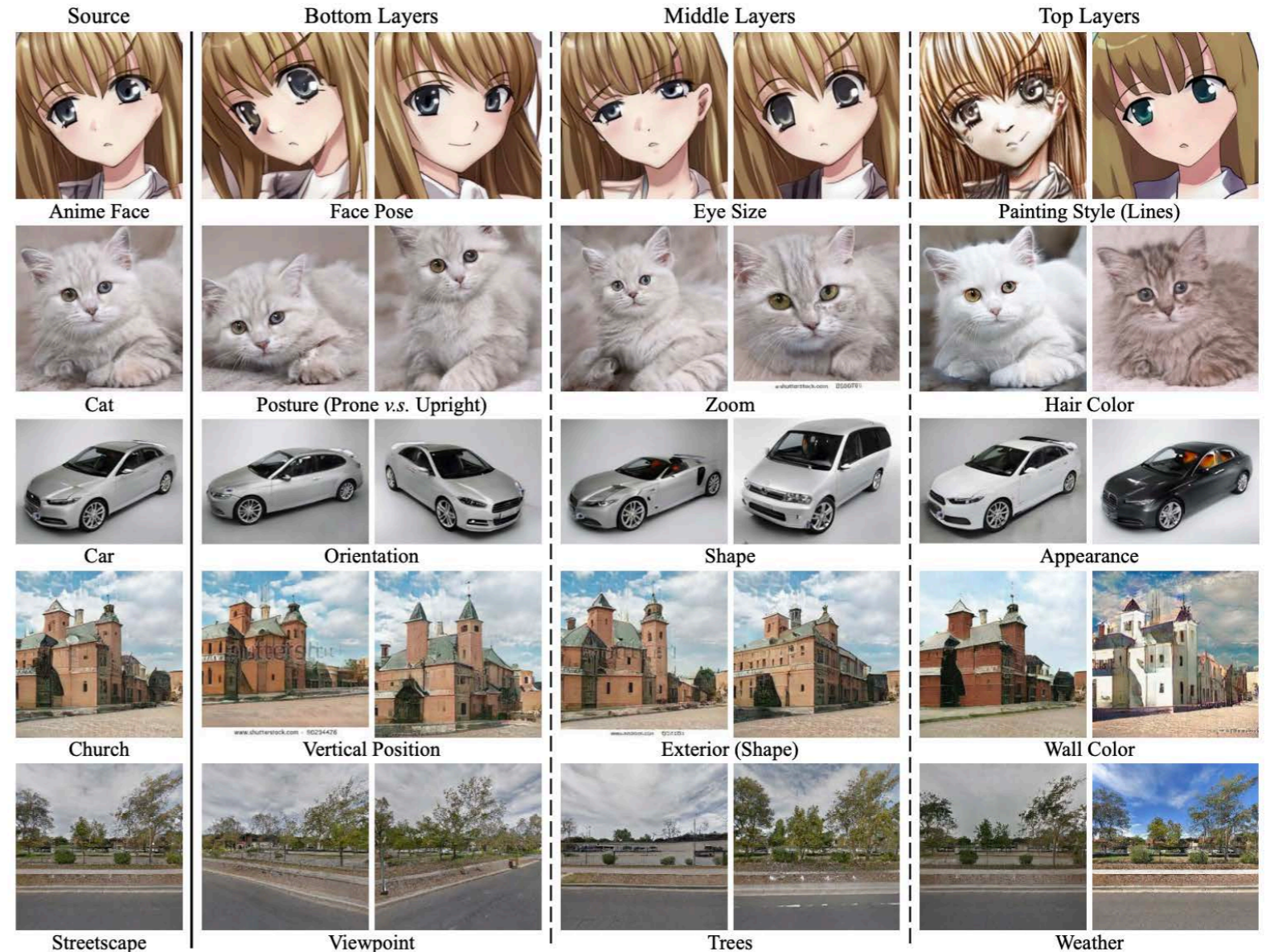


Figure 2. **Hierarchical interpretable directions** discovered in the style-based generators, *i.e.*, StyleGAN [17] and StyleGAN2 [18]. Among them, the streetscapes model is trained with StyleGAN2, while the others are using StyleGAN.

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

- SeFa can indeed find human-understandable concepts

Table 1. User study. We randomly generate $2K$ images for each dataset, and use the Top-50 eigen directions from each level of layers to manipulate these images. Numbers in brackets indicate the index of the layers to interpret. Users are asked how many directions result in *obvious* content change (numerator) and how many directions are semantically meaningful (denominator).

Dataset	Bottom (0-1)	Middle (2-5)	Top (6-)
Anime Face [1]	12/12	26/26	38/50
LSUN Cat [27]	14/15	21/28	47/50
LSUN Car [27]	10/10	16/22	22/34
LSUN Church [27]	15/15	18/26	48/50
Streetscape [20]	9/9	12/18	15/36

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

► Results on BigGAN

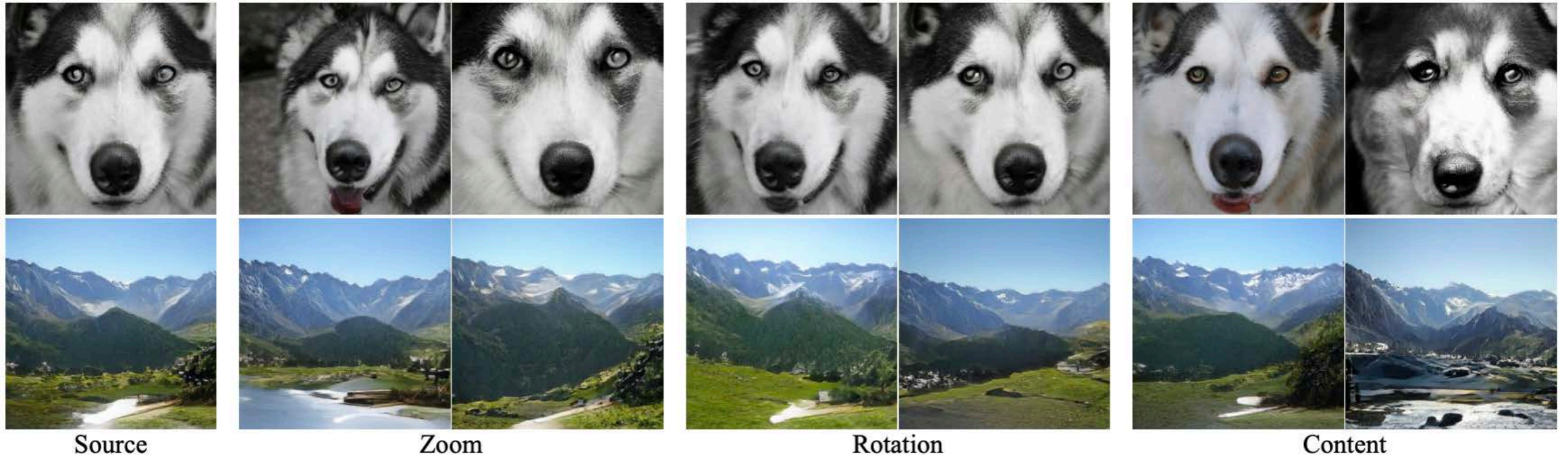


Figure 3. **Diverse interpretable directions** found in the BigGAN [4], which is conditionally trained on ImageNet [6]. These semantics are further used to manipulate images from different categories.

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- Comparison with Supervised Approach
- InterFaceGAN (CVPR-20) with well defined facial attributes
 - Requires sampling numerous data and pre-training attribute predictors

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

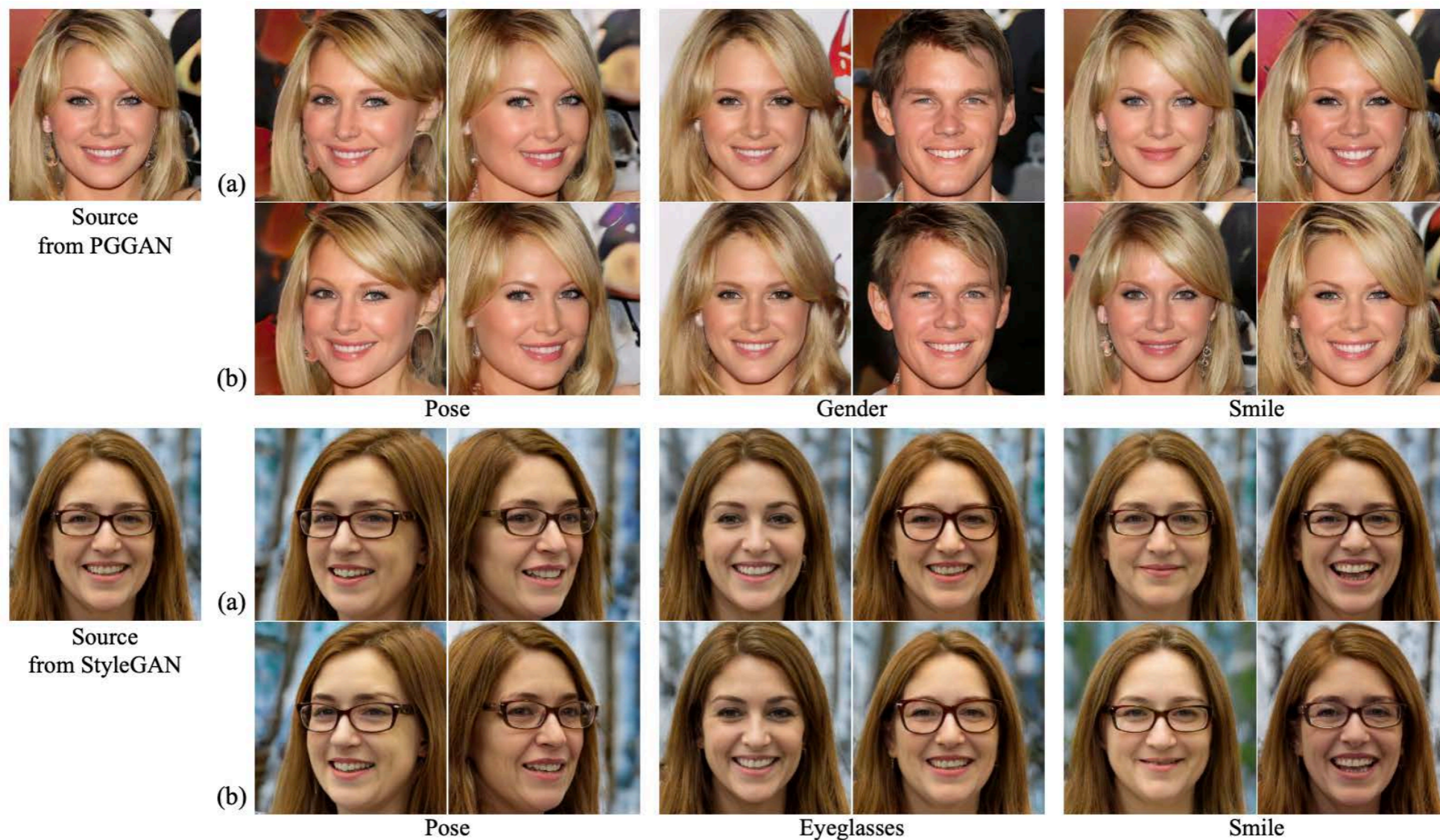


Figure 5. Qualitative comparison of the latent semantics found by (a) the supervised method, InterFaceGAN [24] and (b) our *closed-form* solution, SeFa, where SeFa achieves similar performance to InterFaceGAN. PGGAN trained on CelebA-HQ [16] and StyleGAN trained on FF-HQ [17] are used as the target models to interpret.

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

- Train an attribute predictor on CelebA with ResNet50
- Quantitatively evaluate whether the identified directions can properly represent the corresponding attributes

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- SeFa can adequately control some attribute similar to InterFaceGAN.

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- When altering one semantic, InterFaceGAN shows stronger robustness to other attributes, benefiting from its supervised training manner.

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- SeFa fails to discover the direction corresponding to eyeglasses.
- The presence of eyeglasses is not a large variation.

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- SeFa can find more diverse semantics in the latent space
 - Hair color, hair style, and brightness (not easy to acquire)
 - More complex attributes

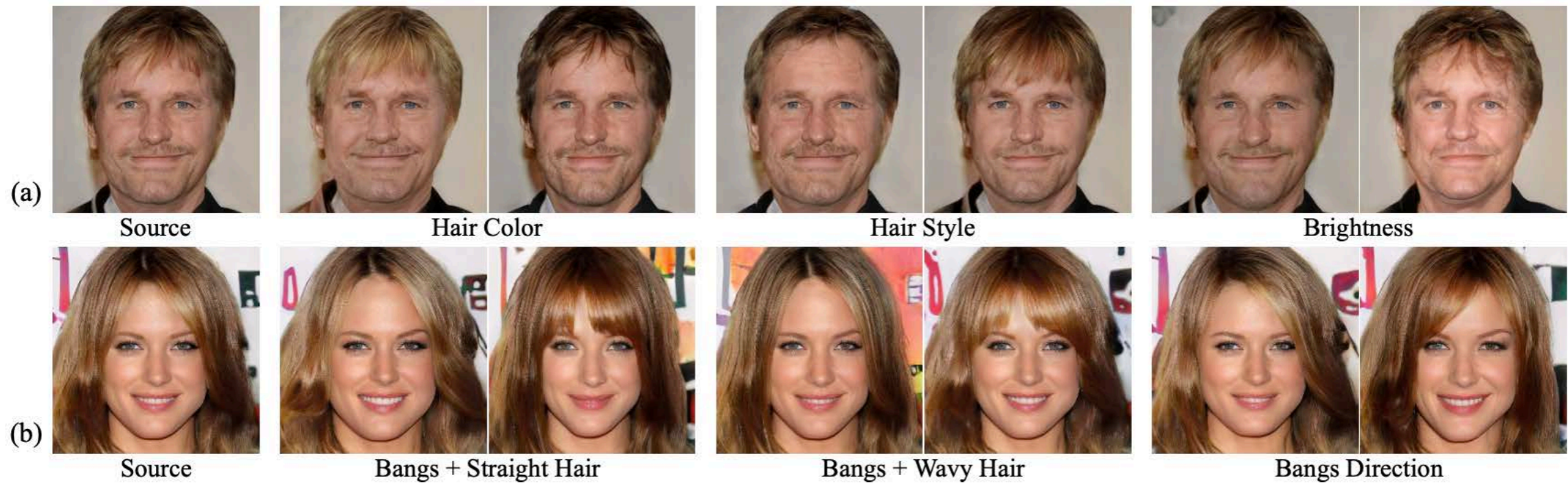


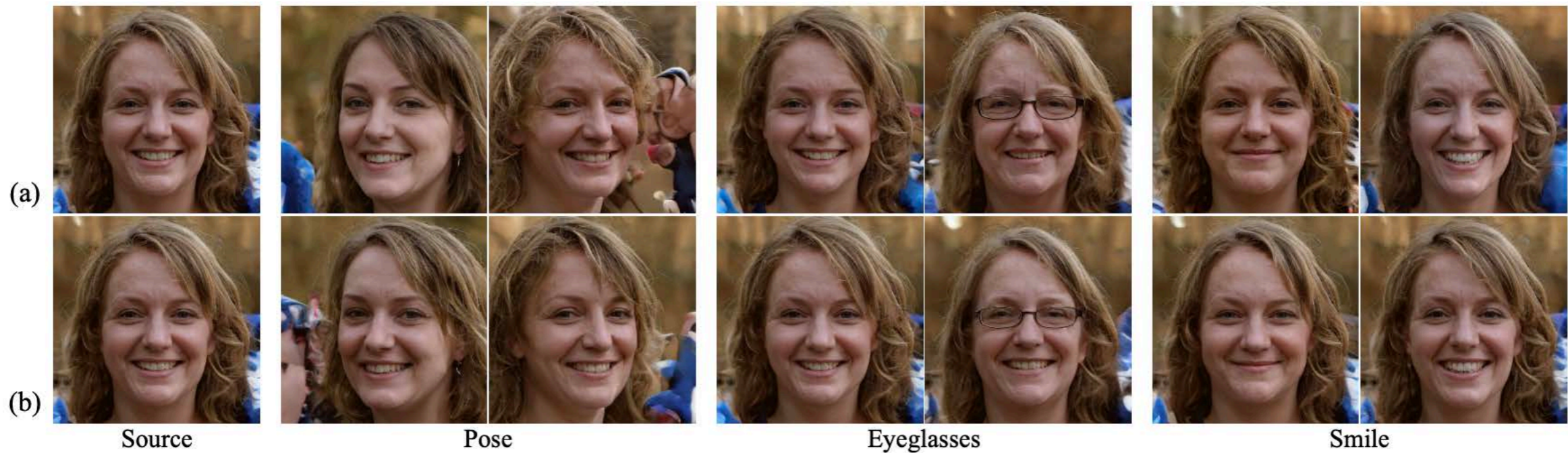
Figure 6. (a) Diverse semantics, which can *not* be identified by InterFaceGAN [24] due to the lack of semantic predictors. (b) Diverse hair styles, which can *not* be described as a binary attribute. The PGGAN model trained on CelebA-HQ dataset [16] is used.

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The semantics found by SeFa lead to a more precise control

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	FID	Re-scoring	User Study
GANSpace [10]	7.43	0.33	41%
SeFa (Ours)	7.36	0.38	59%

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

- Comparison with Unsupervised Baselines
 - Learning-based Baseline
 - InfoGAN (NeurIPS-16): use a regularizer to maximize the mutual information between the output image and the input latent code

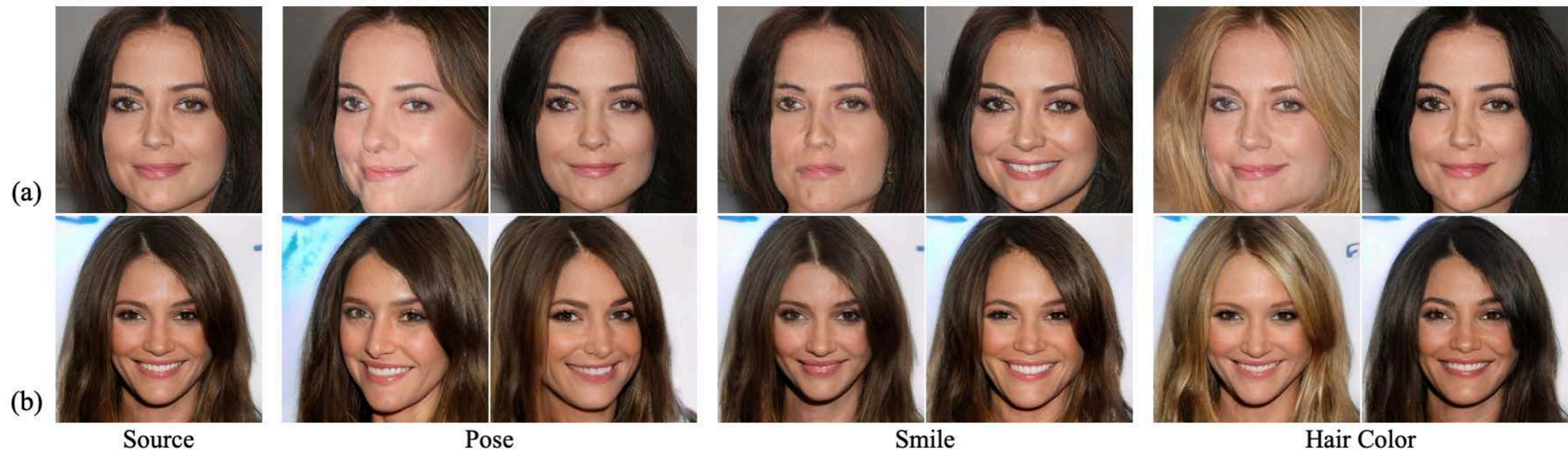


Figure 8. Qualitative comparison between (a) Info-PGGAN [21, 5] and (b) SeFa. The result of the Info-PGGAN model is extracted directly from [21], and the official PGGAN model trained on CelebA-HQ dataset [16] is used for SeFa.

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 - Given a target image to edit, first project it back to the latent space, then use the variation factor found by SeFa to modulate

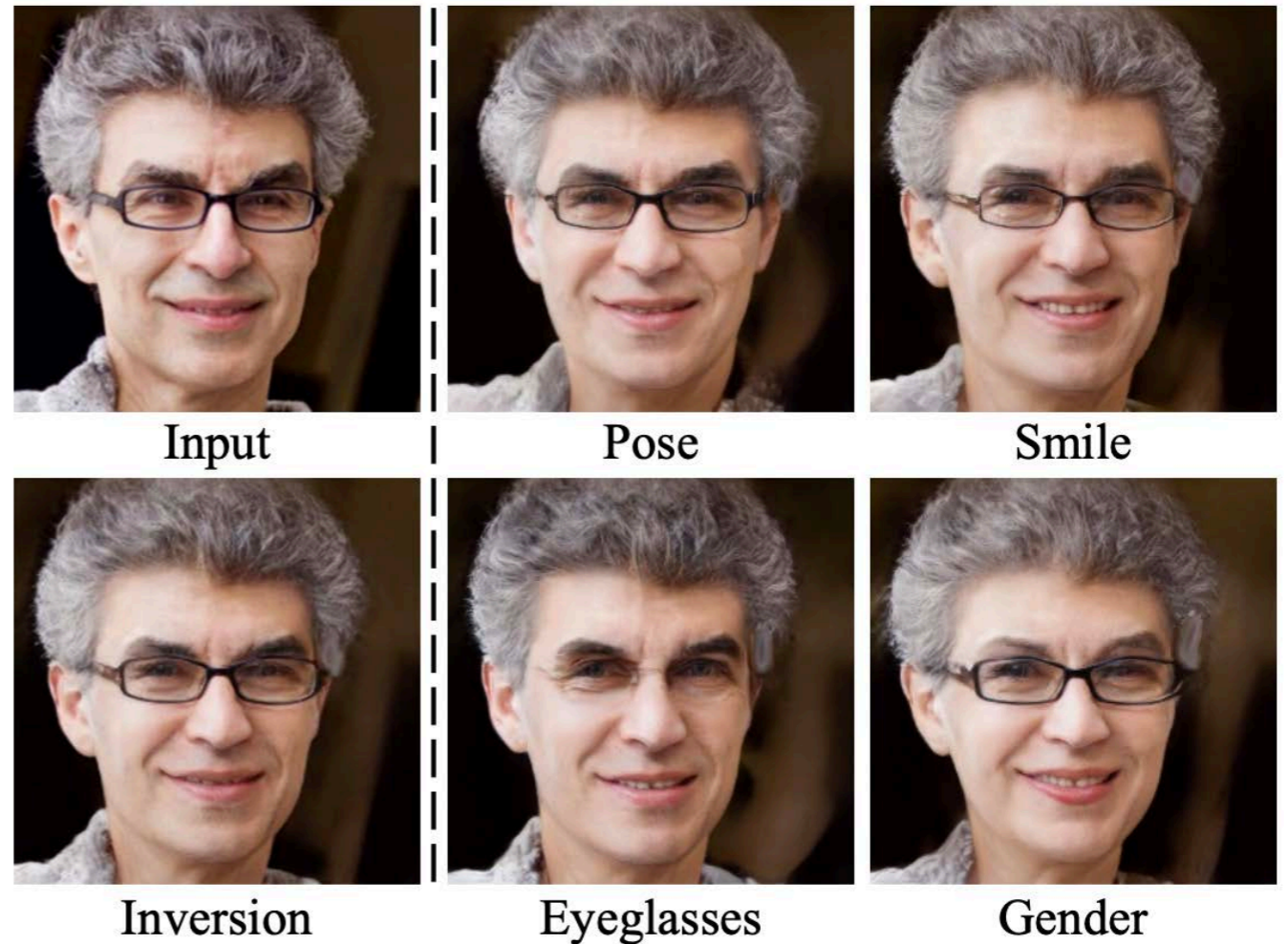


Figure 9. **Real image editing** with respect to various facial attributes. All semantics are found with the proposed SeFa. GAN inversion [28] is used to project the target real image back to the latent space of StyleGAN [17].

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- Factorizing the latent semantics learned by GANs
- Identifying versatile semantics from different types of GAN models in an unsupervised manner