

Instance-Guided Context Rendering for Cross-Domain Person Re-Identification



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Introduction

Problem

- Person re-identification aims at searching person identities across cameras distributed over open surveillance space.

Motivation

- There exists inevitable domain gaps between datasets collected from different surveillance camera networks
- Our approach aims to hallucinate the same persons in **diverse surveillance contexts**, as if they were captured from **different places and times in the target domain**.

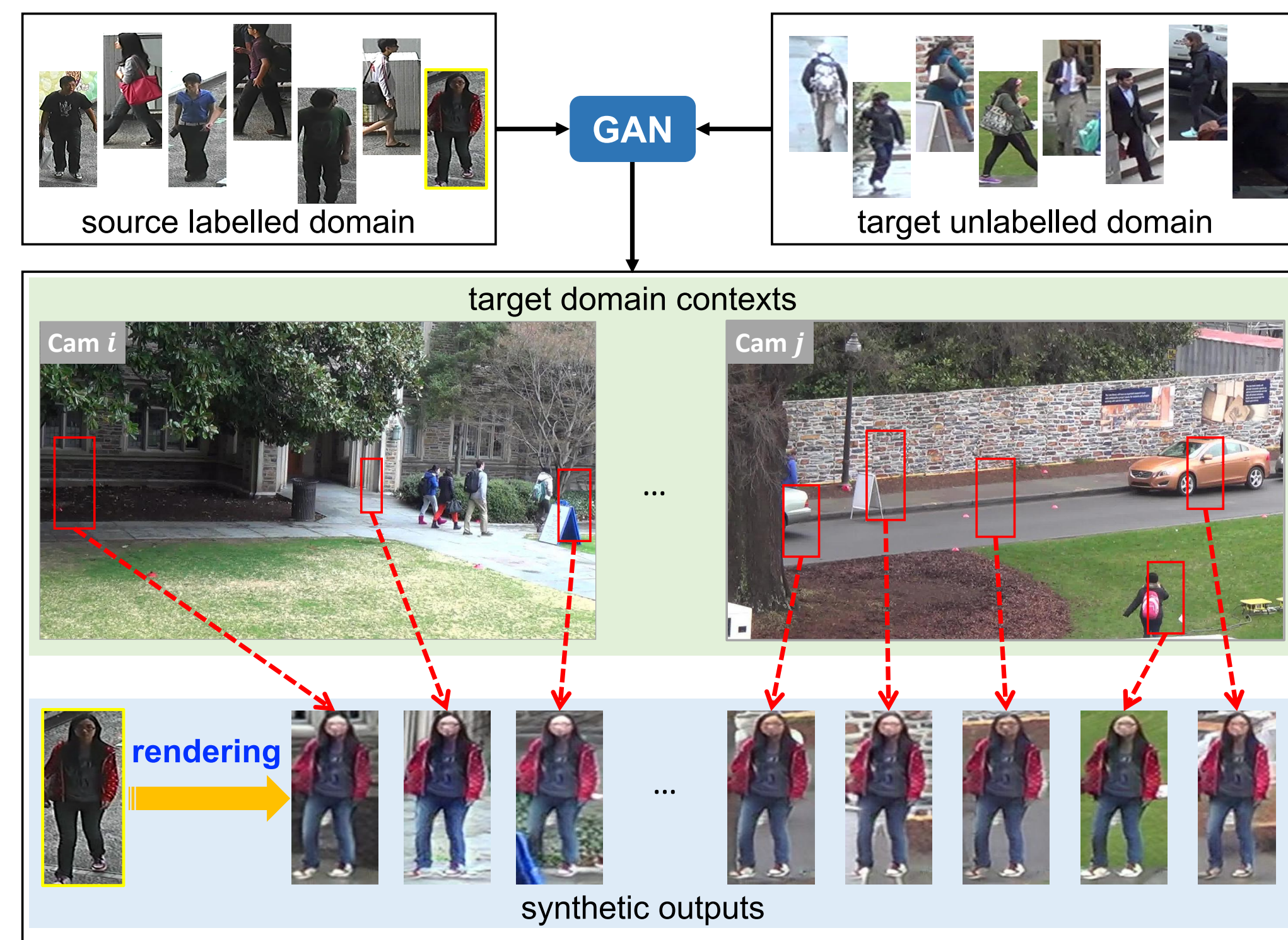


Figure 1. Motivation illustration: In open surveillance spaces, the *contextual variations* are quite diverse, due to **wide-of-the-field imagery** and **varying times of the day**.

Main Idea

- render the same person identities into diverse domain contexts to produce abundant synthetic training data
- deploy the synthetic data for CNN training

A naïve alternative in image synthesis

- produce abundant synthetic training data under varying background contexts by “*cut and paste*”



- It is unsatisfactory because

- various artifacts are introduced (e.g. missing identity related cues due to an incomplete person segmentation mask)
- cannot capture domain drift in *colour tones* and *illuminations*

Methodology

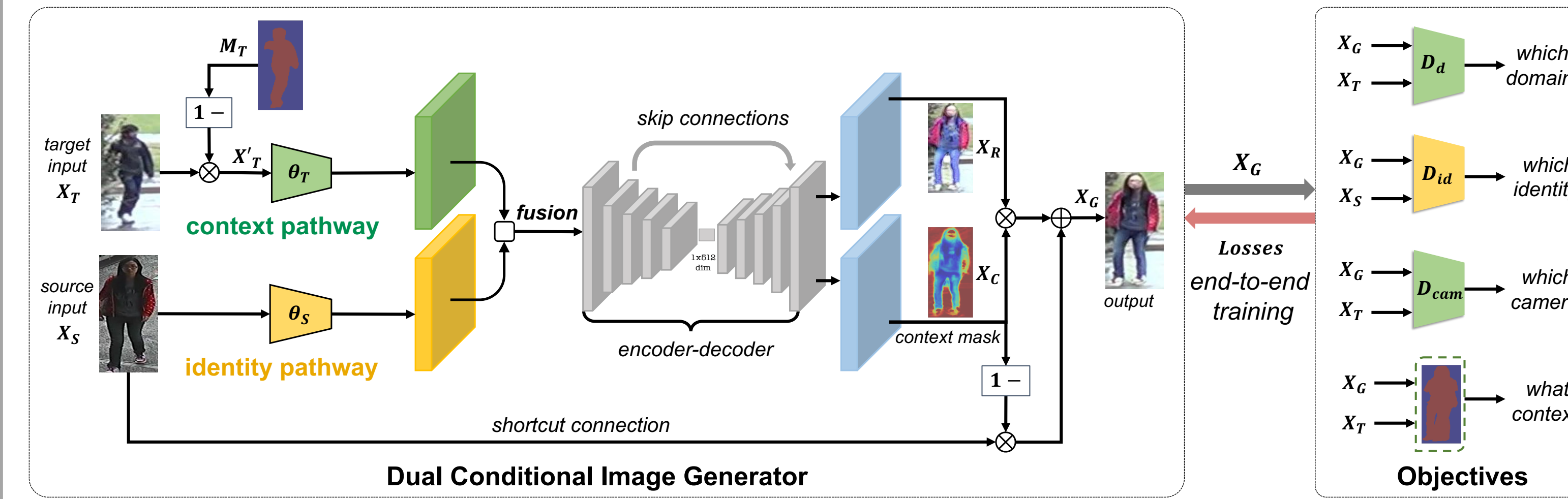


Figure 2. Model overview: We tackle the image-level domain drift by learning to render the source person image X_S into diverse domain contexts guided by arbitrary instances X_T from target domain.



Figure 3. Deployment overview: The generator produces abundant synthetic images for CNN training.

Context Rendering Generative Adversarial Networks (CR-GAN)

Dual Conditional Image Generator

- Dual-Path Encoding:**
- A pair of source and target images as dual conditional inputs

$$X_G = G(X_S, X_T)$$

- Image Generator = U-Net + skip connection + residual blocks

Learning Objectives

- which domain?** – Adversarial Loss.

$$\mathcal{L}_{adv} = \min_G \max_{D_d} \log D_d(X_T) + \log(1 - D_d(G(X_S, X_T)))$$

- which identity?** – Identity Loss.

$$\mathcal{L}_{id} = -\log(p(y_j | X_G))$$

- which camera?** – Camera Loss.

$$\mathcal{L}_{cam} = -\log(p(y_c | X_G))$$

- what context?** – Context Loss.

$$\mathcal{L}_{con} = ||(X_G - X_S) \circ M_F||_2 + ||(X_G - X_T) \circ M_B||_2$$

CR-GAN Deployment for Cross-Domain Re-id Model Learning

- CR-GAN: generate abundant synthetic training data on-the-fly
- CNN (re-id model): train upon the synthetic data

Experiments & Ablation Studies

Experiments on re-id benchmark datasets

Qualitative evaluation:

- CR-GAN augments the same person with diverse contexts explicitly **guided by instances from the target domain**.



Figure 4. Qualitative results I.

- CR-GAN renders the same person into different styles, i.e. varying **background clutters**, **colour tones** and **lighting conditions**.



Figure 5. Qualitative results II.

Quantitative evaluation:

- Visual quality:** higher diversity and better fidelity (LPIPS↓, FID↓)
- Re-id performance:** synthetic data boosts cross-domain re-id results.

S → T	Market → Duke	Duke → Market
Metrics	LPIPS FID	LPIPS FID
Source-Target data	0.458 0.330	0.458 0.330
SPGAN [10]	0.099 0.171	0.099 0.115
CR-GAN	0.281 0.058	0.269 0.096

Table 1. Evaluation on visual quality.

Types	Source → Target Metrics (%)	Market1501 → DukeMTMCreID				DukeMTMCreID → Market1501			
		R1	R5	R10	mAP	R1	R5	R10	mAP
Shallow	LOMO [31]	12.3	21.3	26.6	4.8	27.2	41.6	49.1	8.0
	BoW [62]	17.1	28.8	34.9	8.3	35.8	52.4	60.3	14.8
	UMDL [39]	18.5	31.4	37.6	7.3	34.5	52.6	59.6	12.4
Image	PTGAN [56]	27.4	-	50.7	-	38.6	-	66.1	-
	SPGAN+LMP [10]	46.4	62.3	68.0	26.2	57.7	75.8	82.4	26.7
	M2M-GAN+LMP [30]	54.4	-	-	31.6	63.1	-	-	30.9
	CR-GAN+LMP	56.0	70.5	74.6	33.3	64.5	79.8	85.0	33.2
	PUL* [12]	30.0	43.4	48.5	16.4	45.5	60.7	66.7	20.5
Feature	TJ-AIDL* [54]	44.3	59.6	65.0	23.0	58.2	74.8	81.1	26.5
	MMFA* [32]	45.3	59.8	66.3	24.7	56.7	75.0	81.8	27.4
	BUC* [33]	47.4	62.6	68.4	27.5	66.2	79.6	84.5	38.3
	TAUdL* [27]	61.7	-	-	43.5	63.7	-	-	41.2
	HHL [64]	46.9	61.0	66.7	27.2	62.2	78.8	84.0	31.4
Hybrid	SPGAN+TAUdL	66.1	80.0	83.2	47.2	66.5	81.8	86.6	38.5
	CR-GAN+TAUdL	68.9	80.2	84.7	48.6	77.7	89.7	92.7	54.0

Table 2. Evaluation on cross-domain re-id.

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