



# Performance assessment of face analysis algorithms with occluded faces

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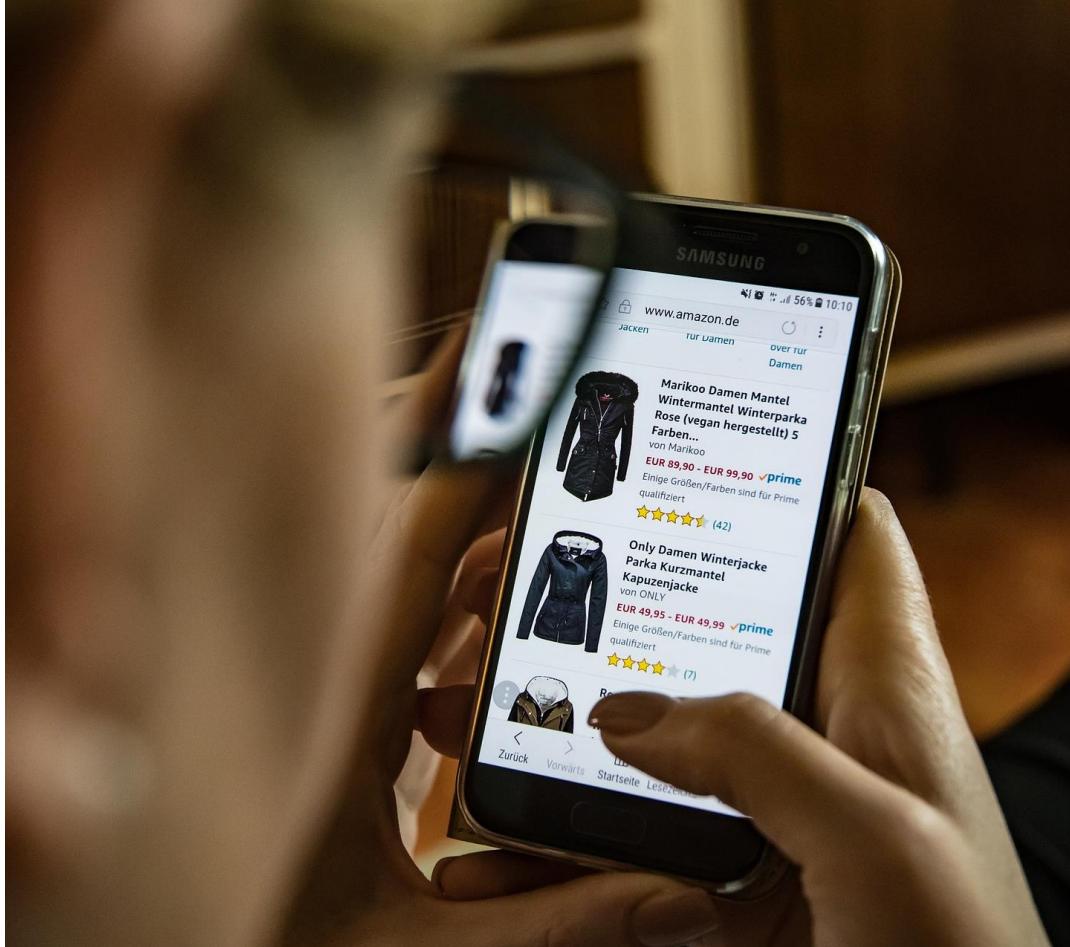
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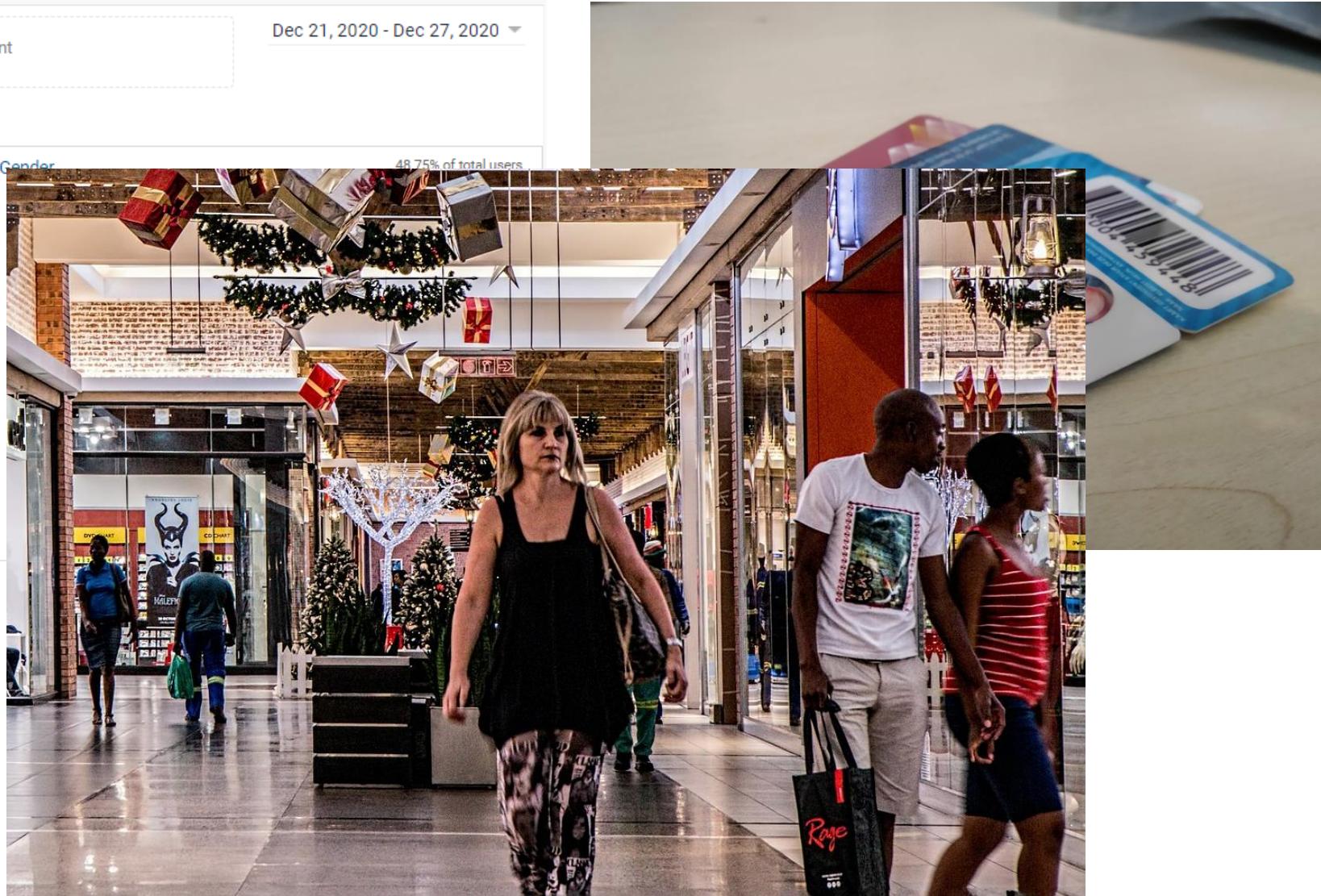
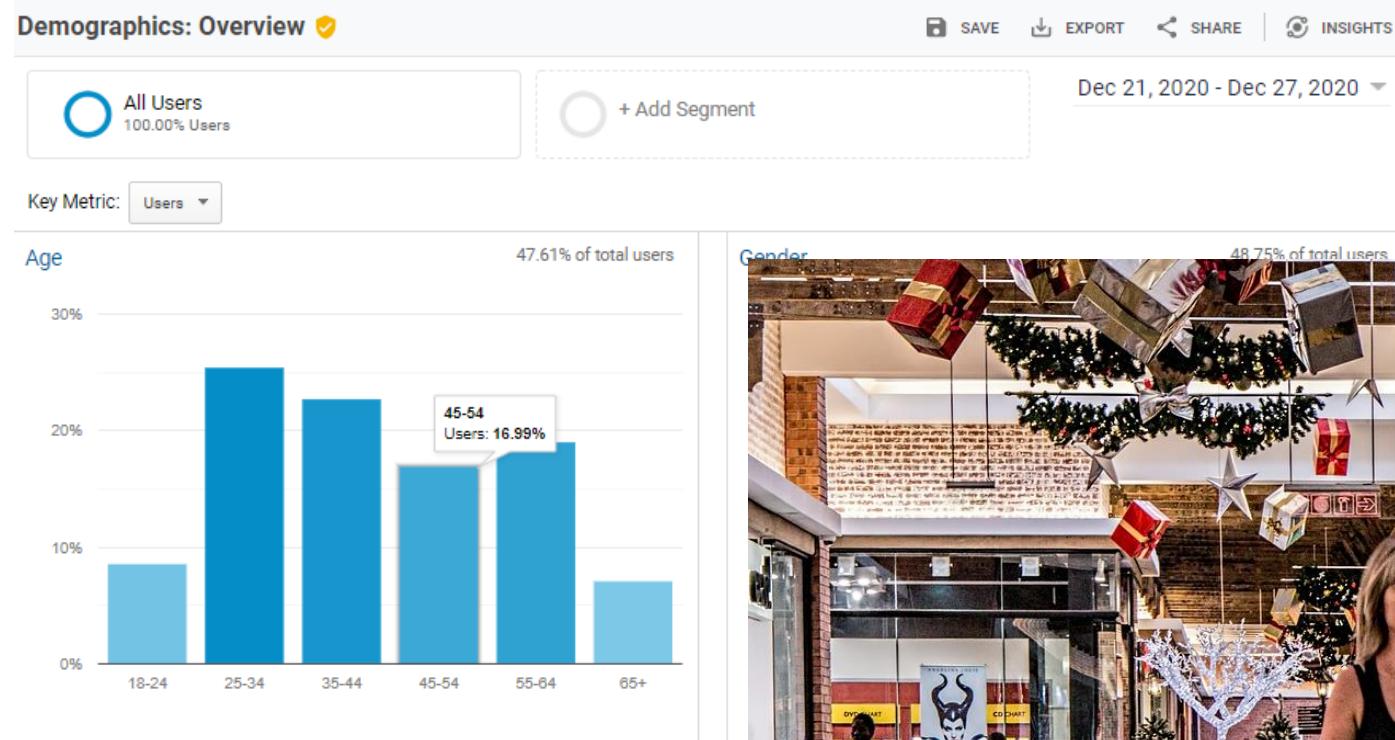
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## Demographics: Overview



- Online analytics
- Fidelity cards
- Facial analytics

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- Online advertising
- TV
- Digital signage

Potential Reach: 35,000,000 people  
Your audience selection is fairly broad.

# Face Analysis is a difficult task!



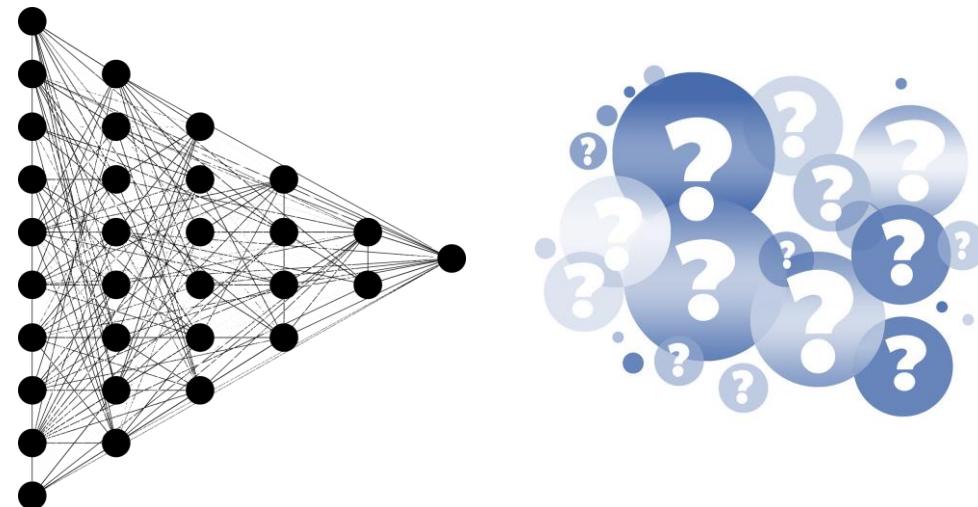
- “in the wild” setting
  - Uncontrolled Illumination
  - Unconstrained pose and distance
  - High noise, low contrast and detail
  - Occlusions (glasses, scarfs, hats...)
- AND NOW FACE MASKS!!!



# Deep Learning for Face Analysis



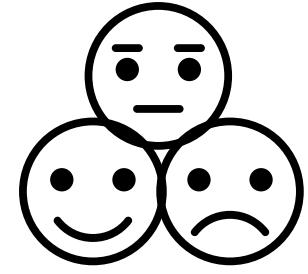
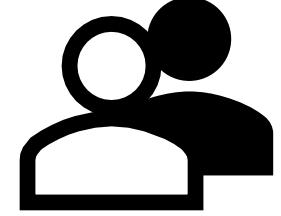
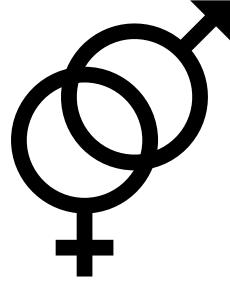
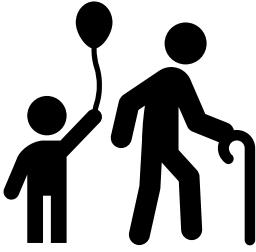
- Widely adopted for “in the wild” scenarios
- Not completely resilient to corruptions (noise, blur, etc)\*
- Will they be resilient to face masks?



\*Gender recognition in the wild: a robustness evaluation over corrupted images

# Experimental framework



- Tasks:
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Ethnicity
  - Emotion
- Comparison:
  - performance on regular dataset
  - performance on masked dataset

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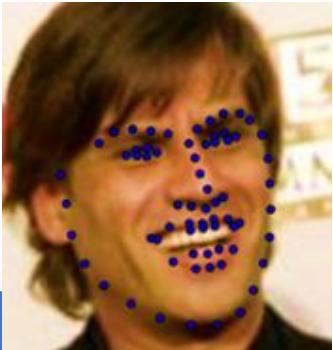
- Datasets
  - LFW+
    - Age, gender, ethnicity (white/no)
    - 3 annotators
  - RAF-DB
    - 6 basic emotion + neutral
    - 40 annotators
- Masked datasets
  - LFW+M\*
  - RAF-DB-M



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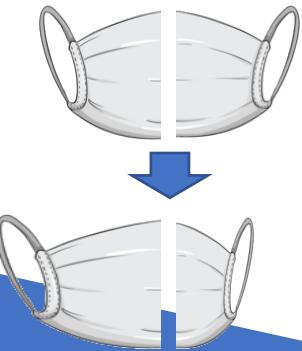


- Masked versions are synthetically generated



## Facial landmarks

- Dlib detector
- 4/68 points used
- chin and nose



## Split & resize

- Each half resized to match the pose
- Stitch back together

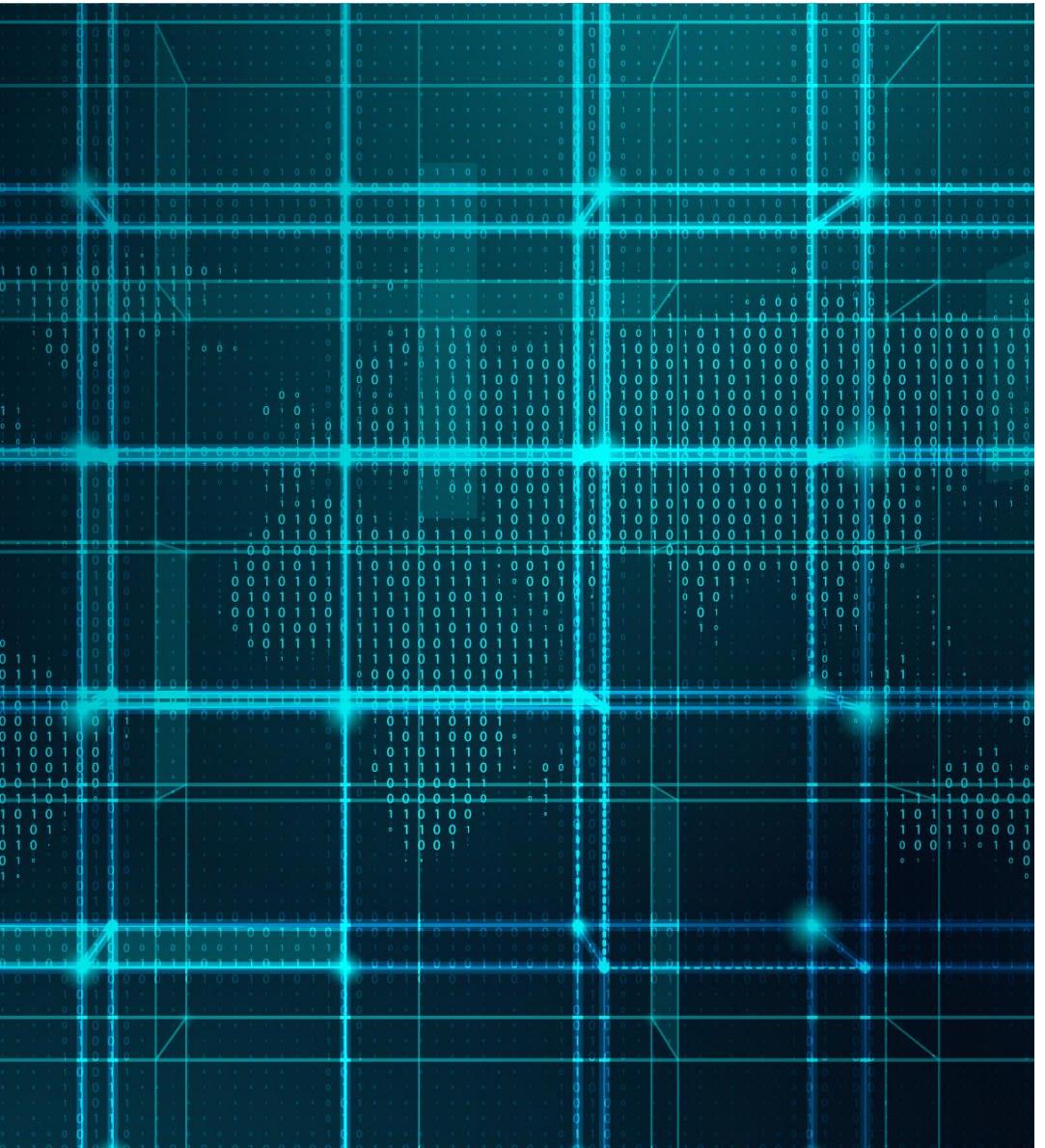


## Rotate & apply

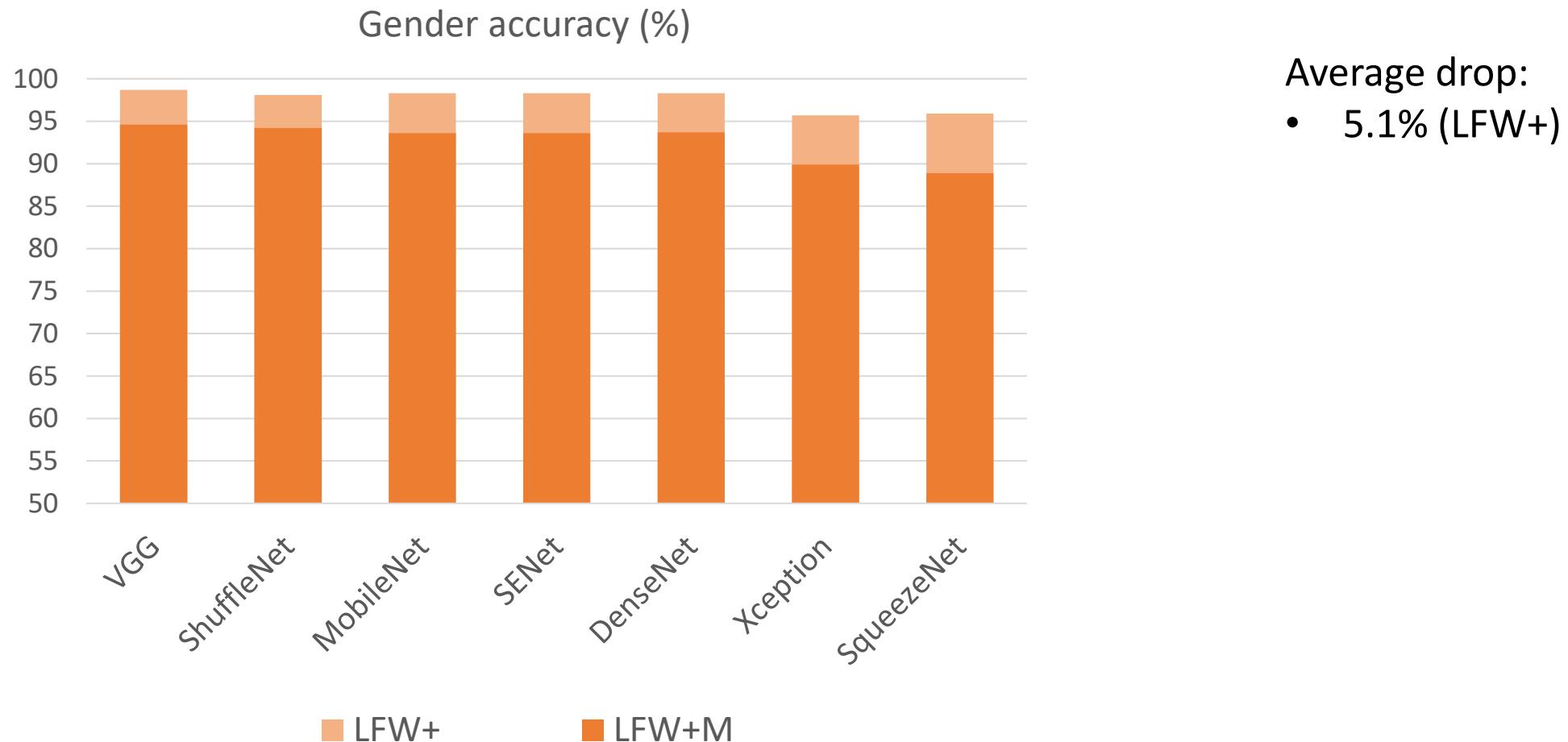
- Rotate
  - chin to nose vector
- Position
  - Bottom = chin
- Paste the mask

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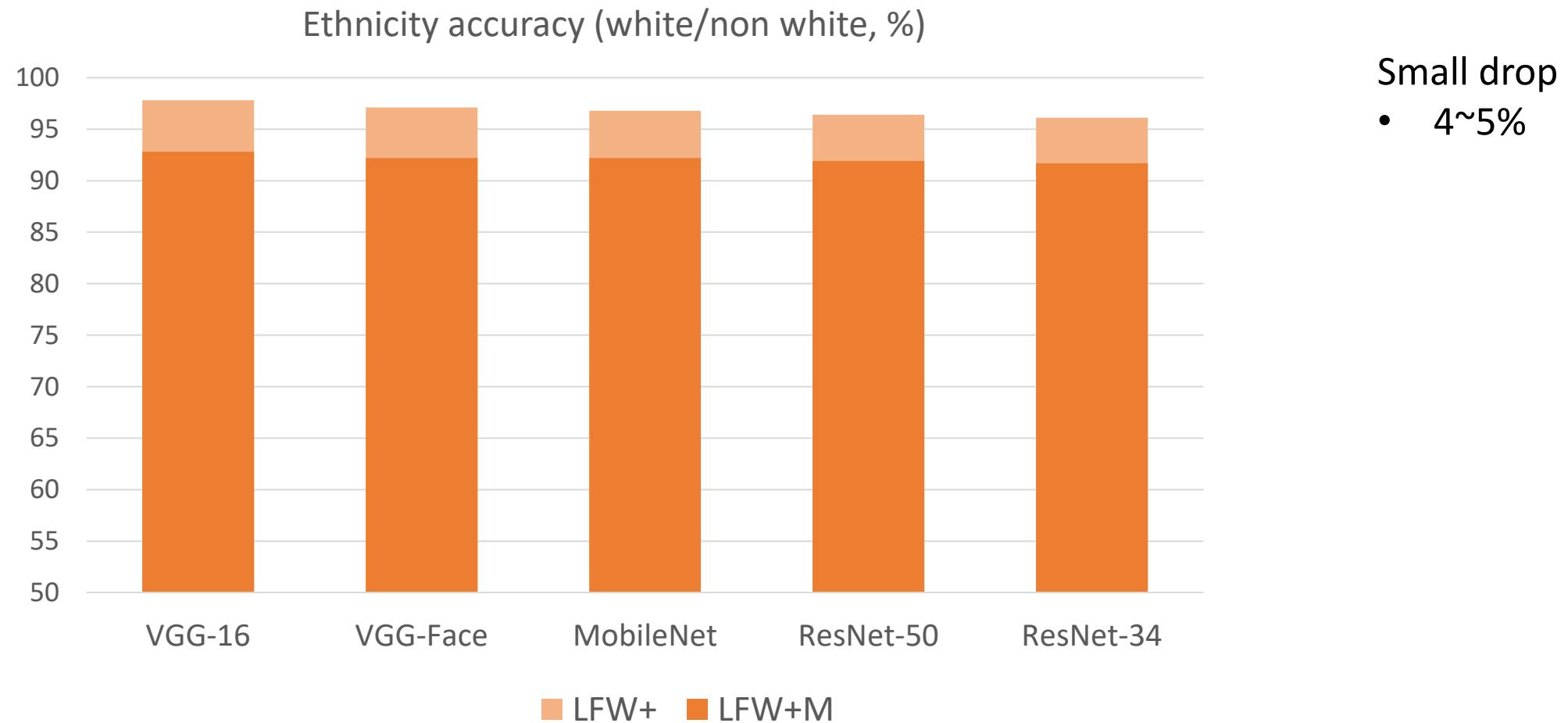
- Network architectures:
  - VGG-16
  - SE-ResNet-50
  - DenseNet
  - MobileNet v2
  - ShuffleNet
  - SqueezeNet
  - Xception



# Results



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African  
American



East Asian



Caucasian  
Latin

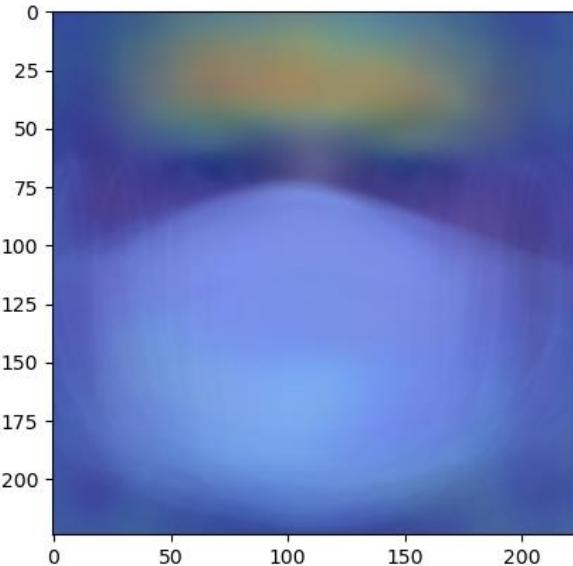
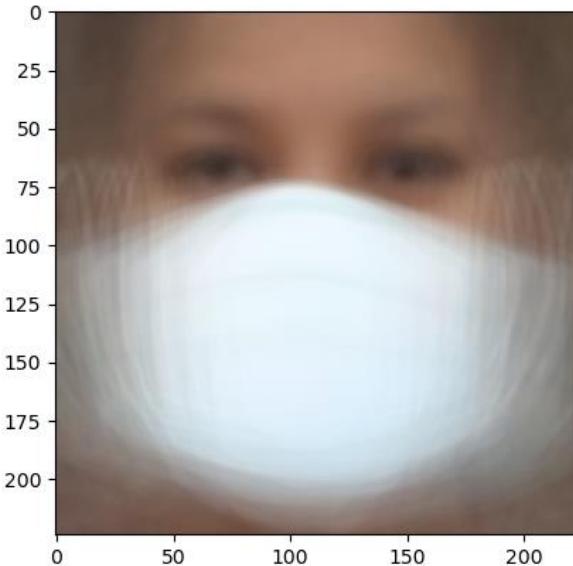
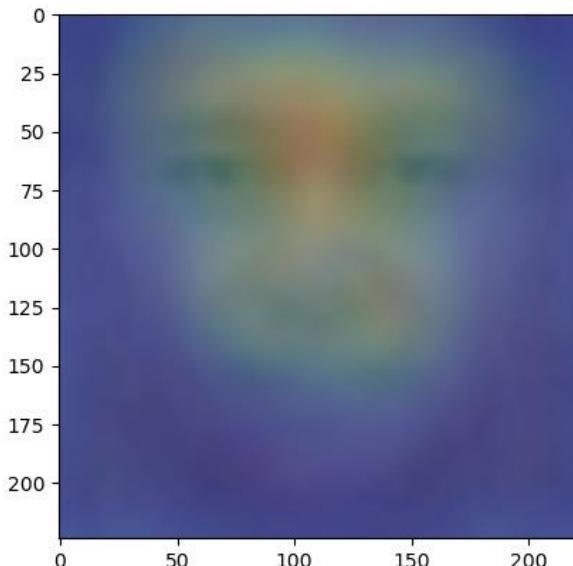
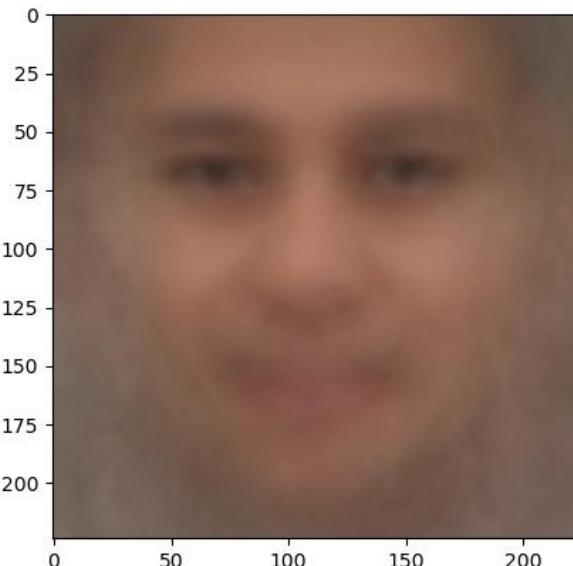
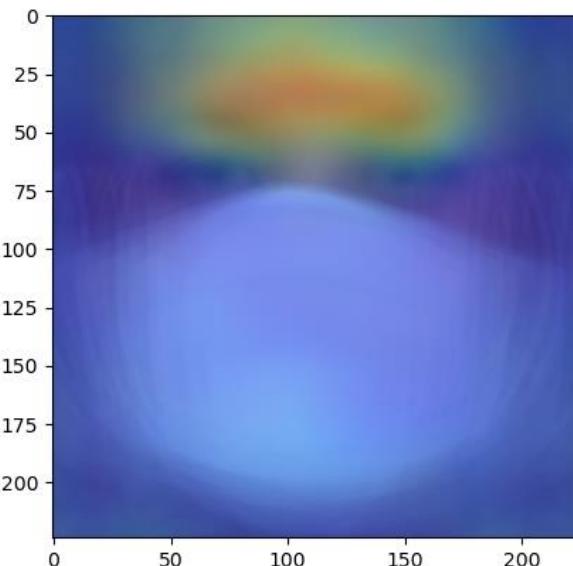
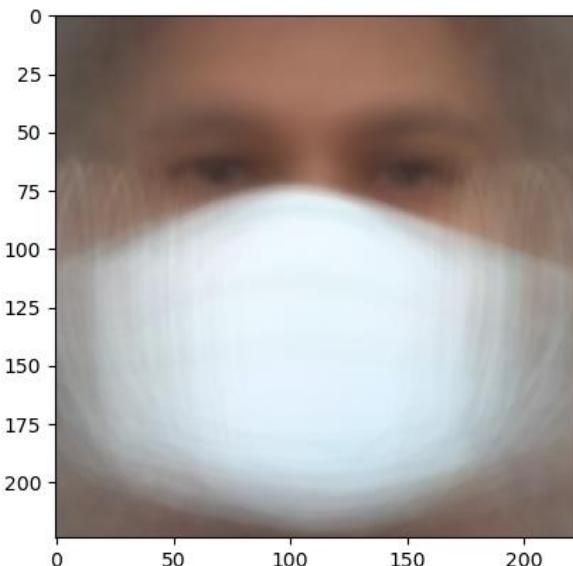
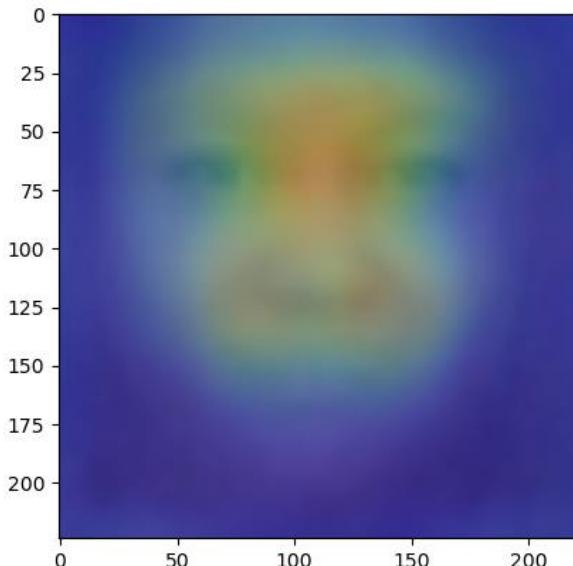
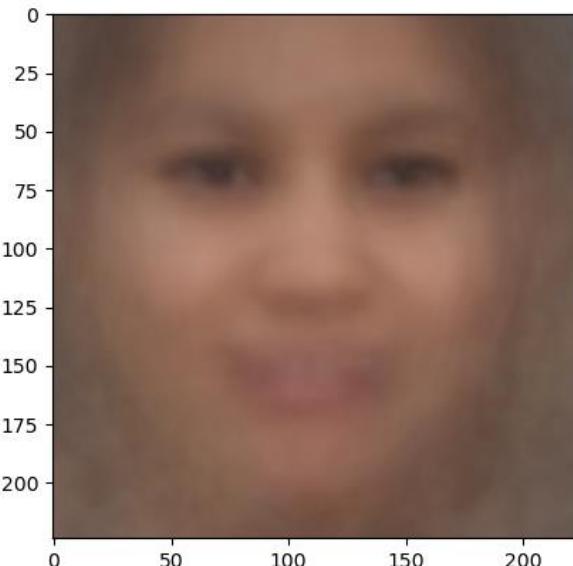


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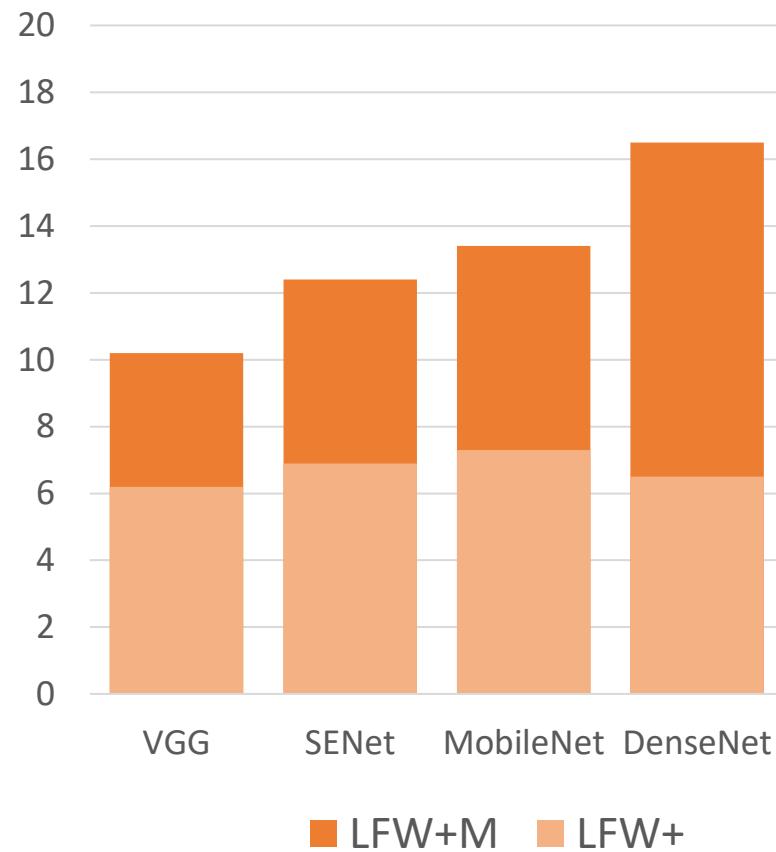
Female

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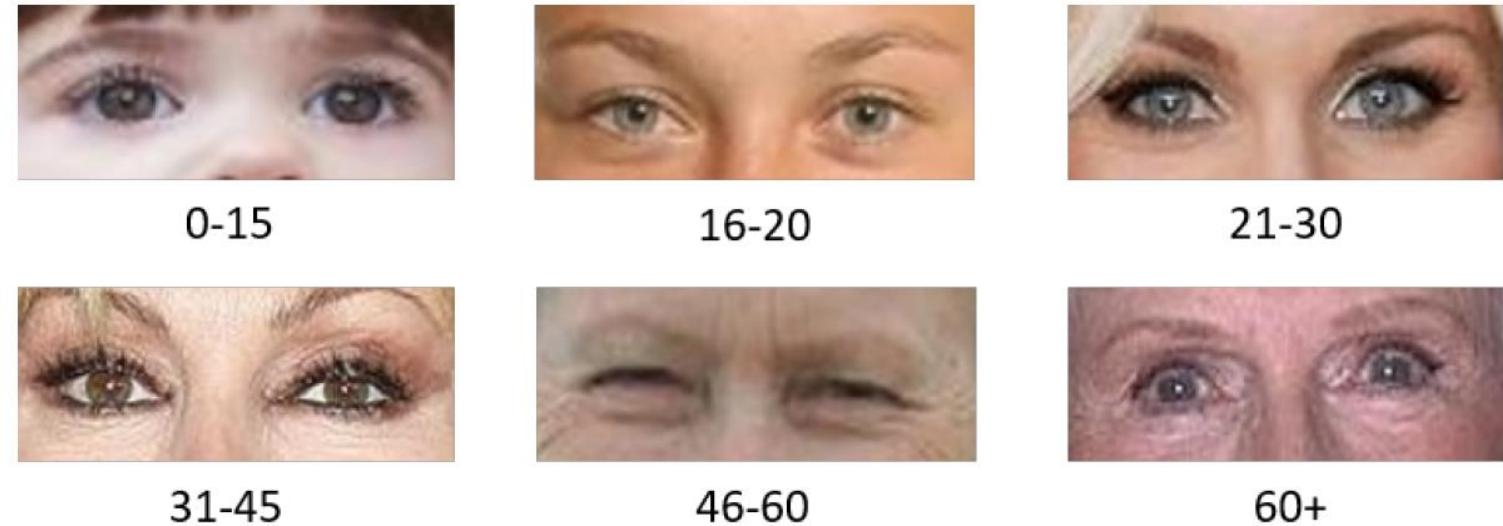
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AGE Mean Absolute Error

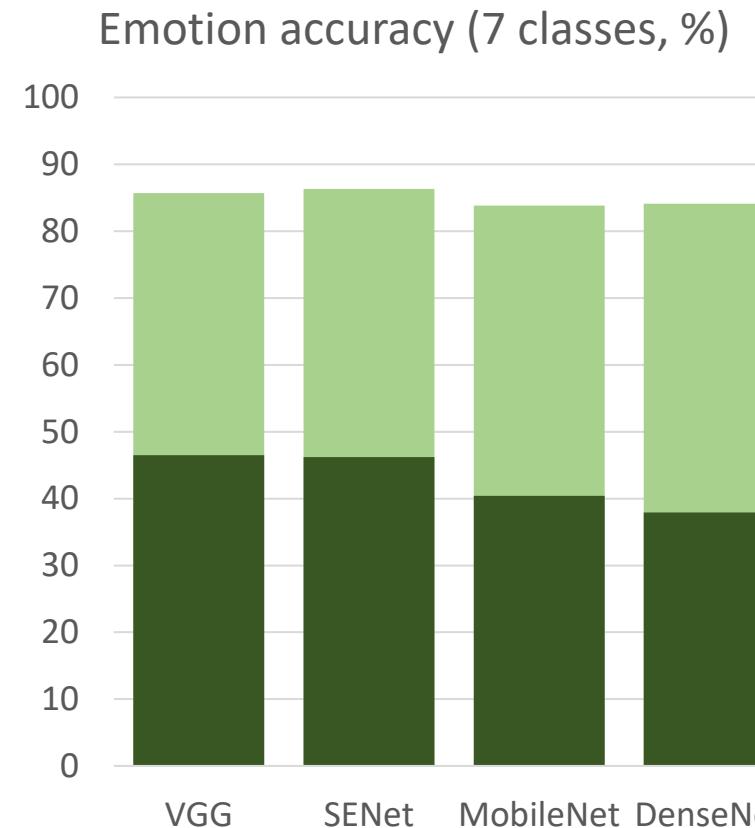


Harder task

- Architecture dependent
- 4~10 years drop



# Results



- ~50% drop
- Network rely on mouth
  - Will training on partial faces work?



Anger



Disgust



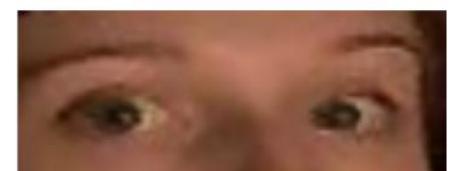
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Happiness



Sadness



Surprise

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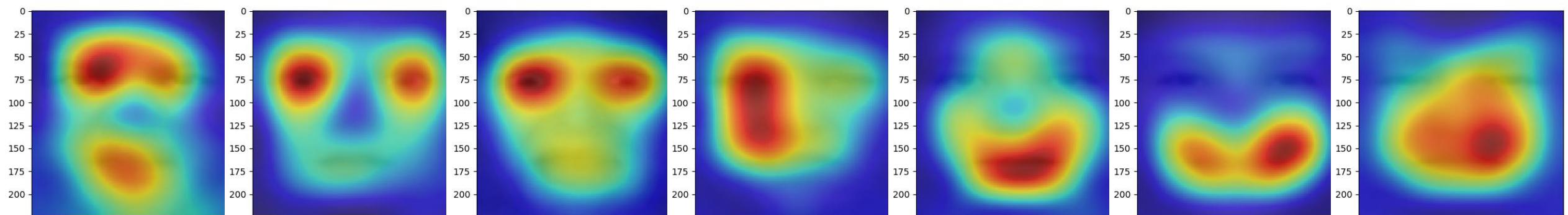
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# Conclusion

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- Summary:
  - Gender, ethnicity: ok
  - Age: possibly ok, with some architectures
  - Emotion: not ok
- Future direction
  - Training on masked faces? Training on partial faces?
  - Novel architectures resilient to severe occlusions

**Thanks for your attention!**  
**Any questions?**

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