

# Through the Lens: Benchmarking Deepfake Detectors Against Moiré-Induced Distortions

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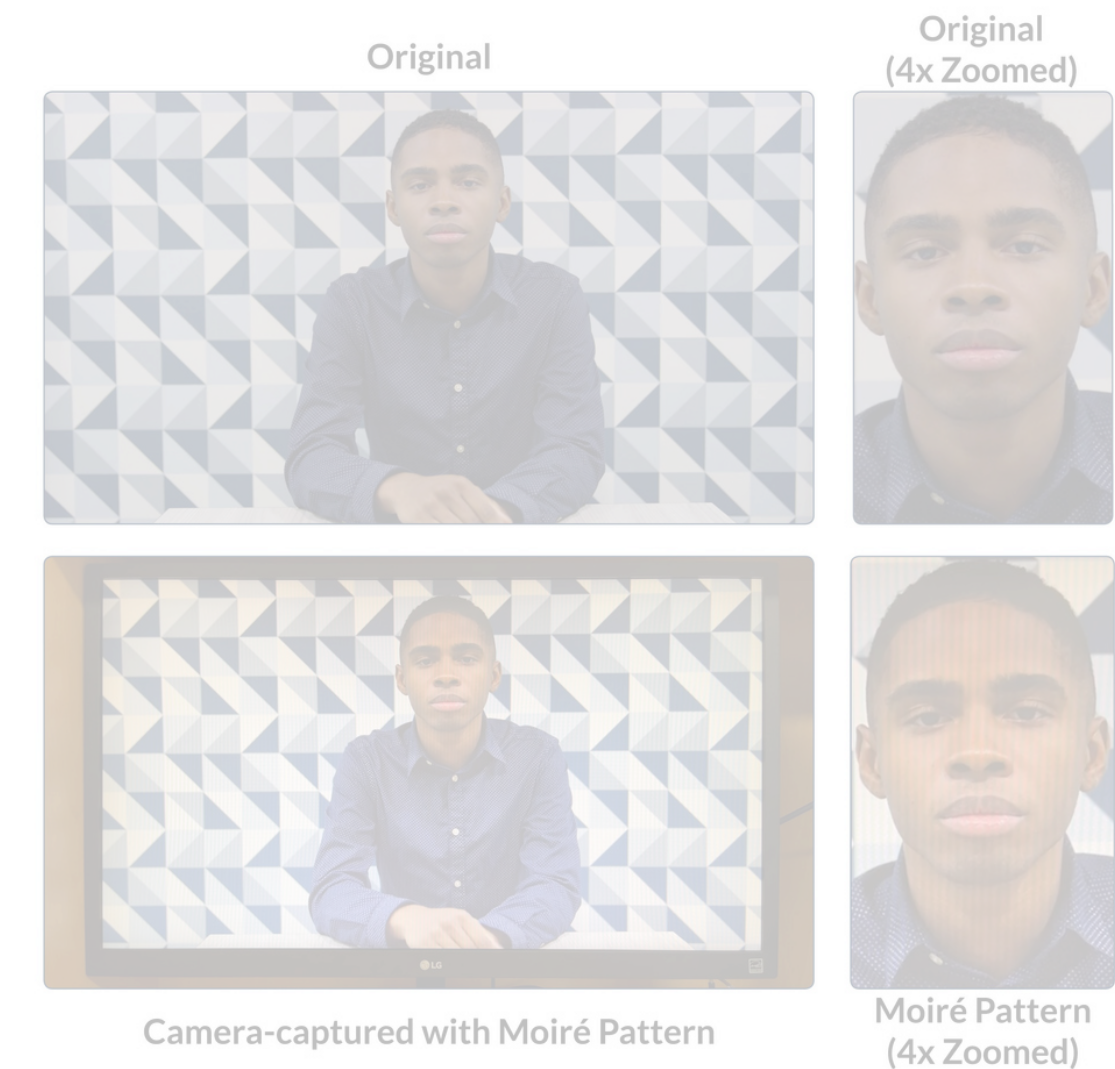
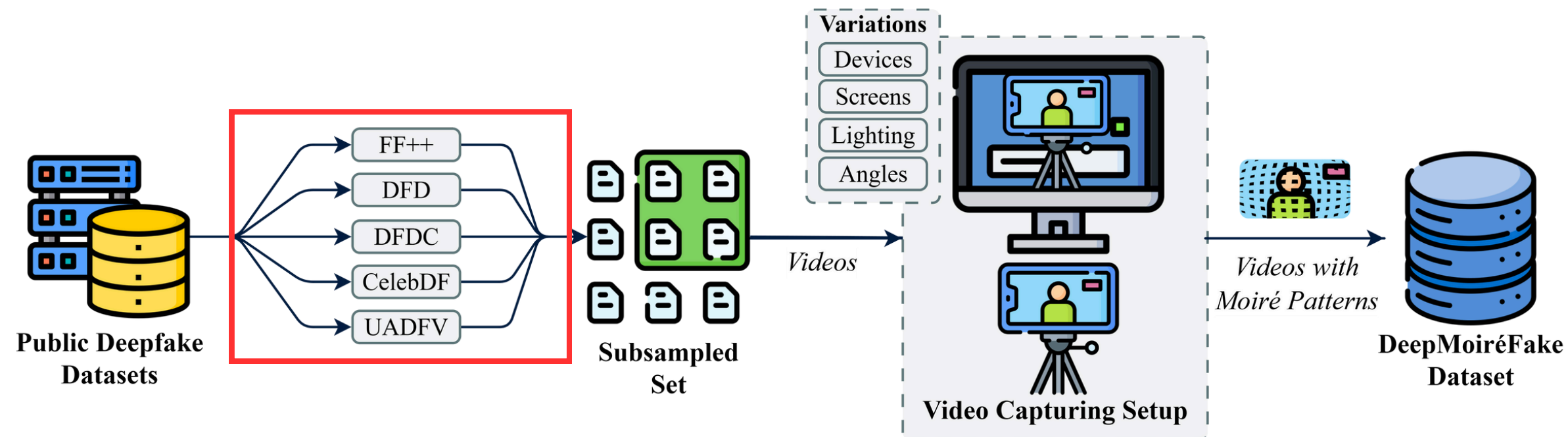
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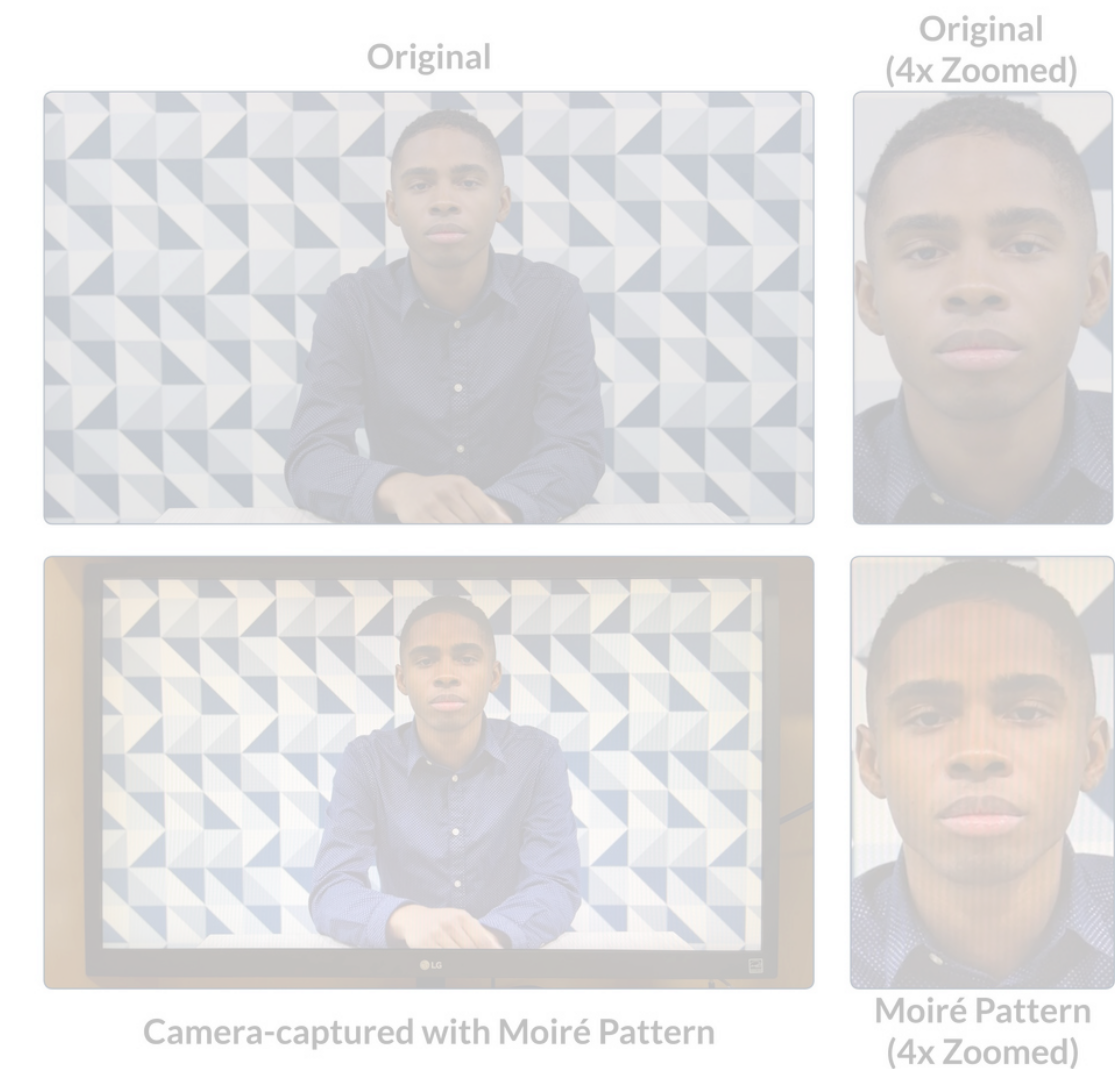
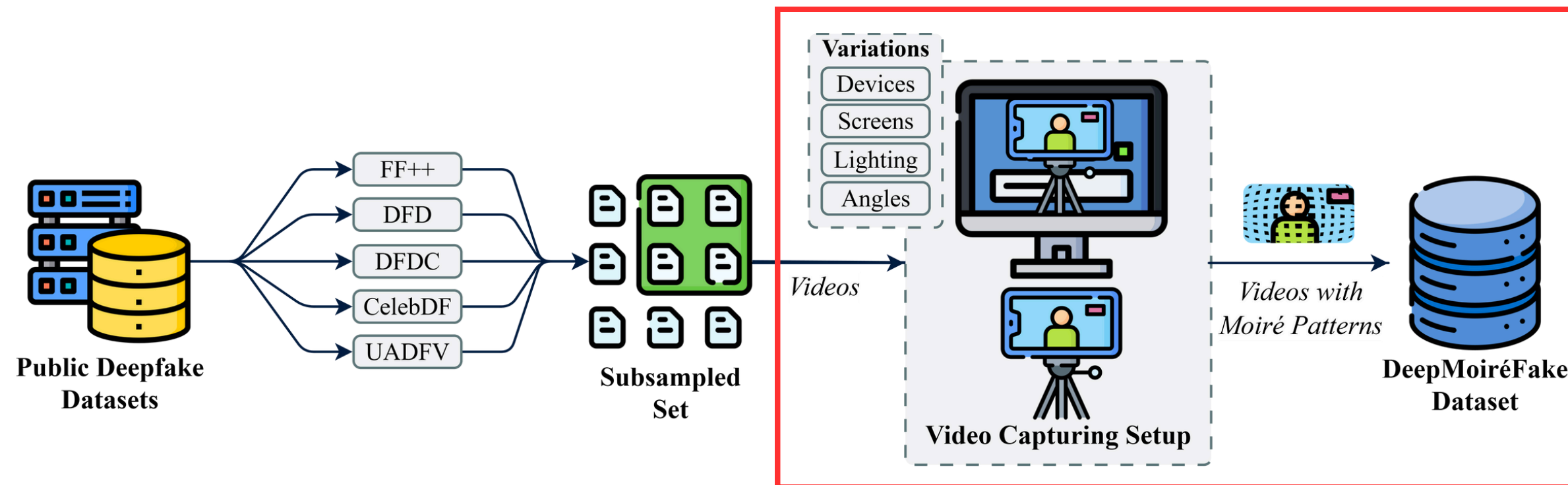
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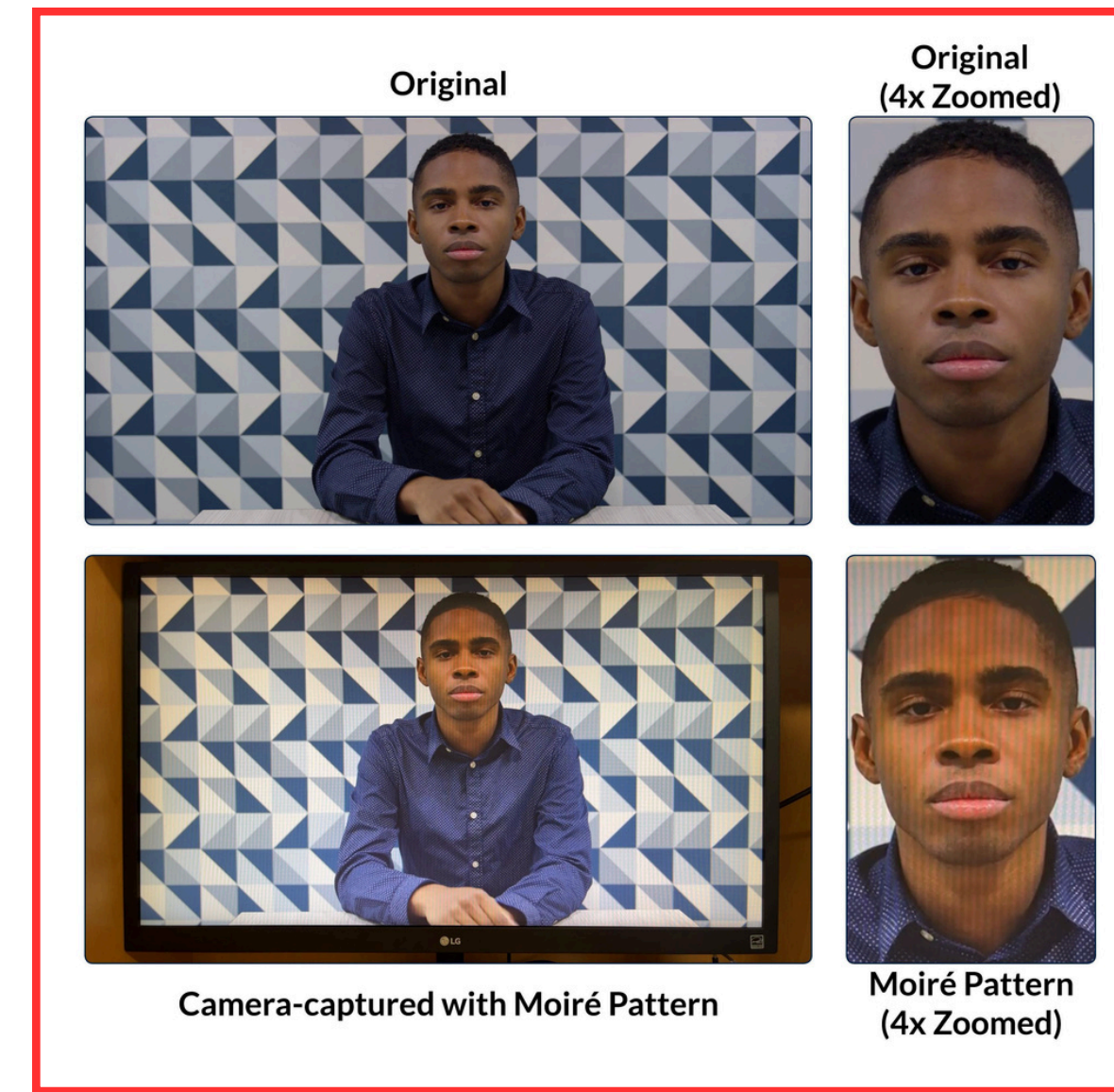
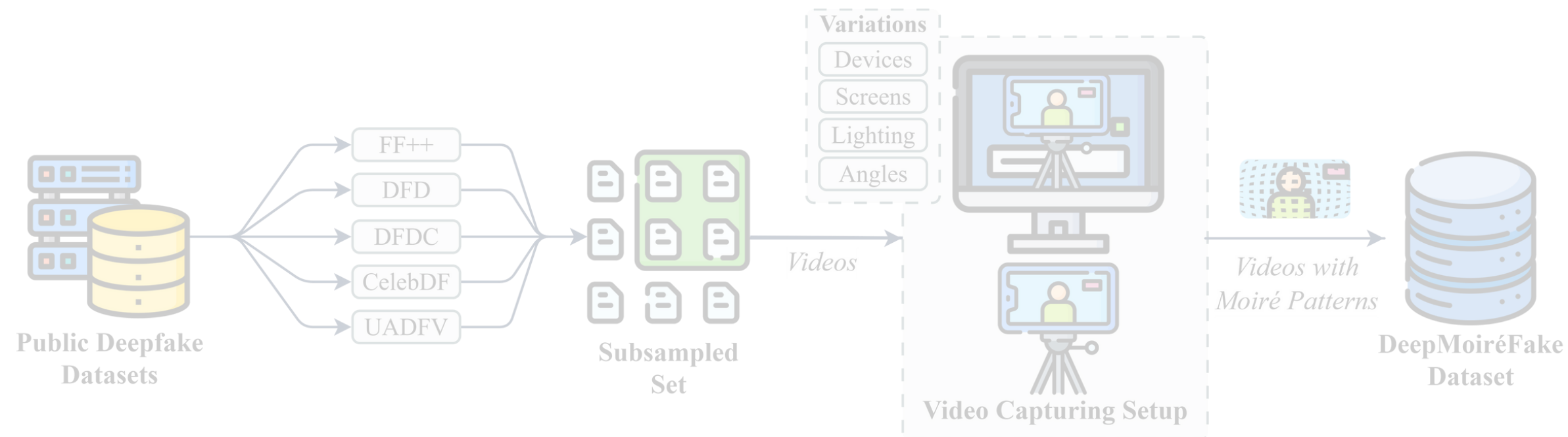
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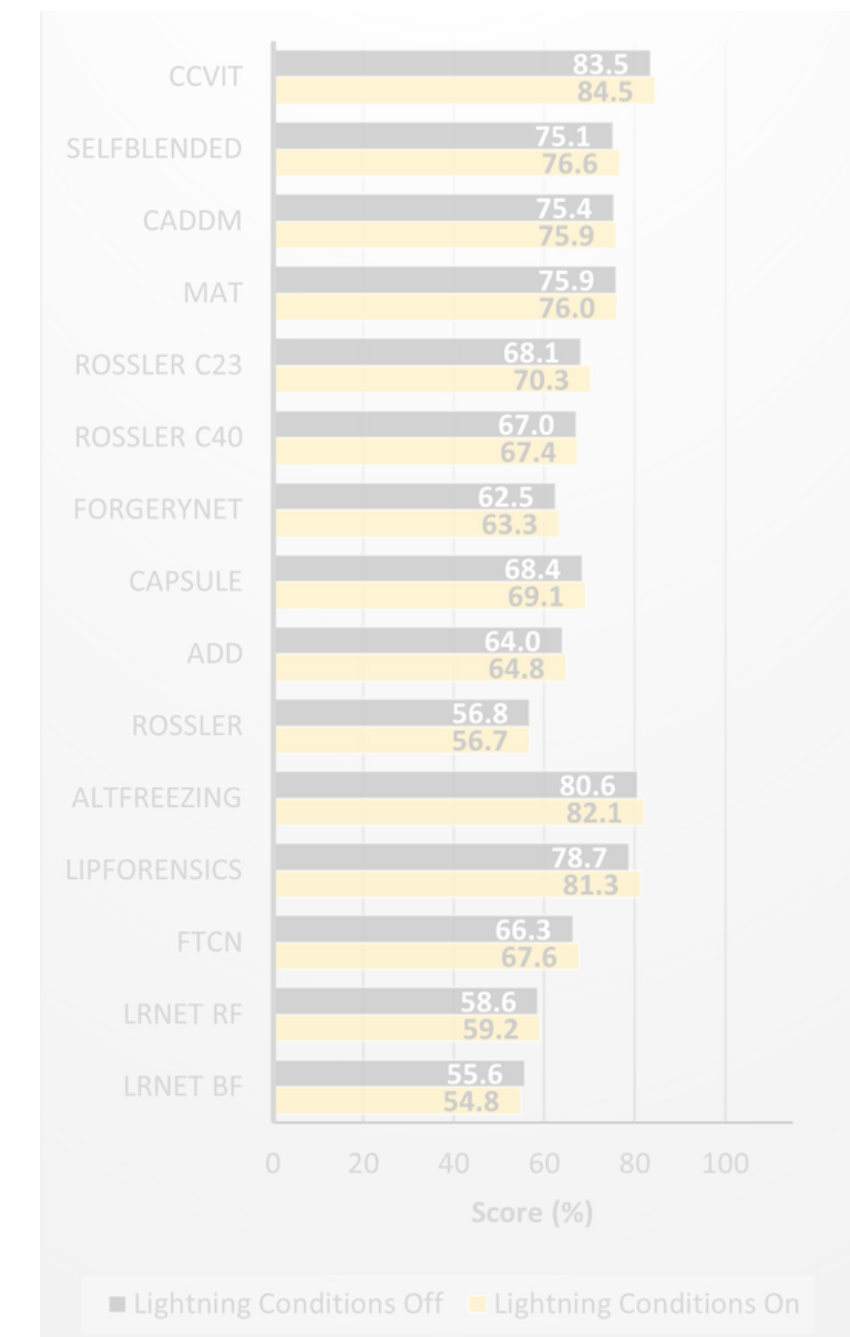




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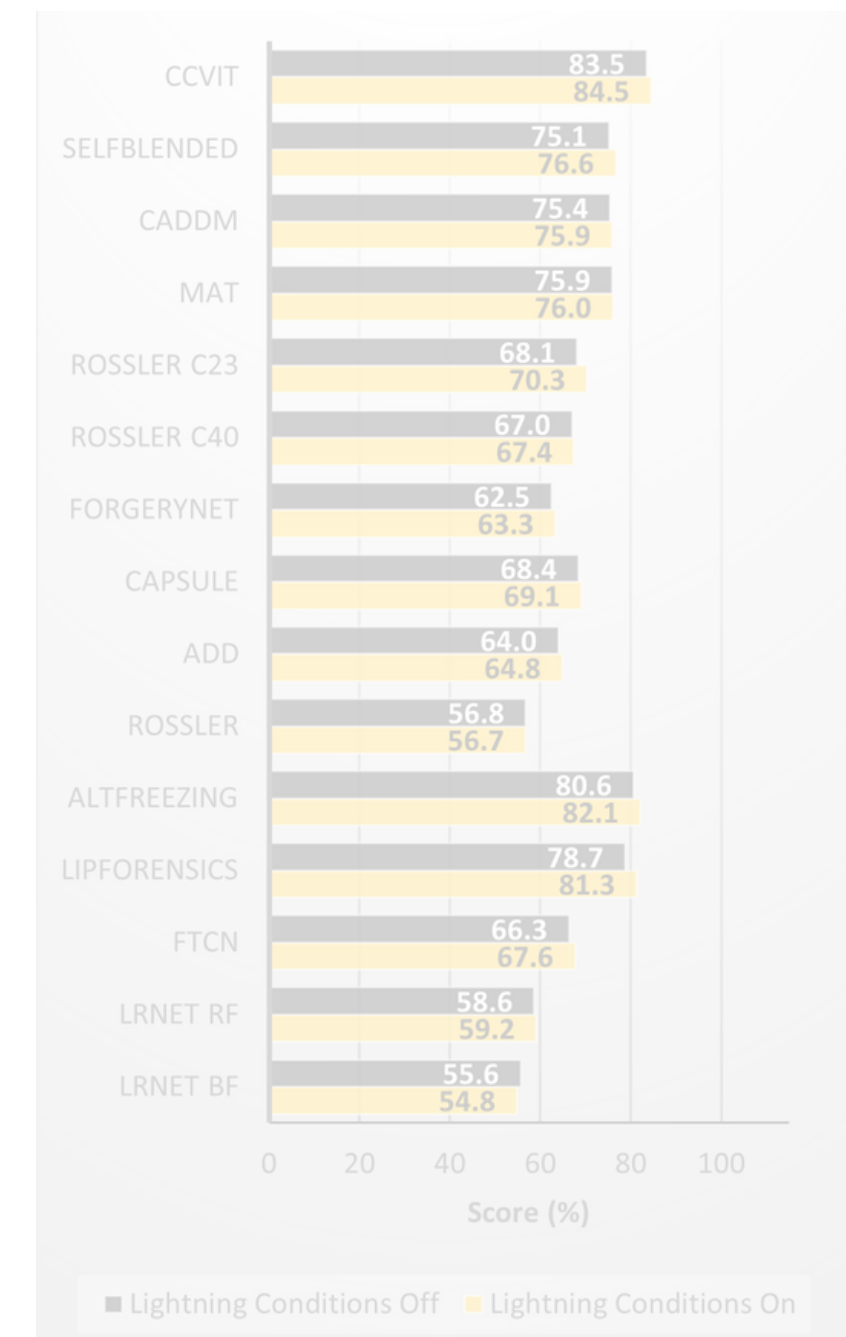
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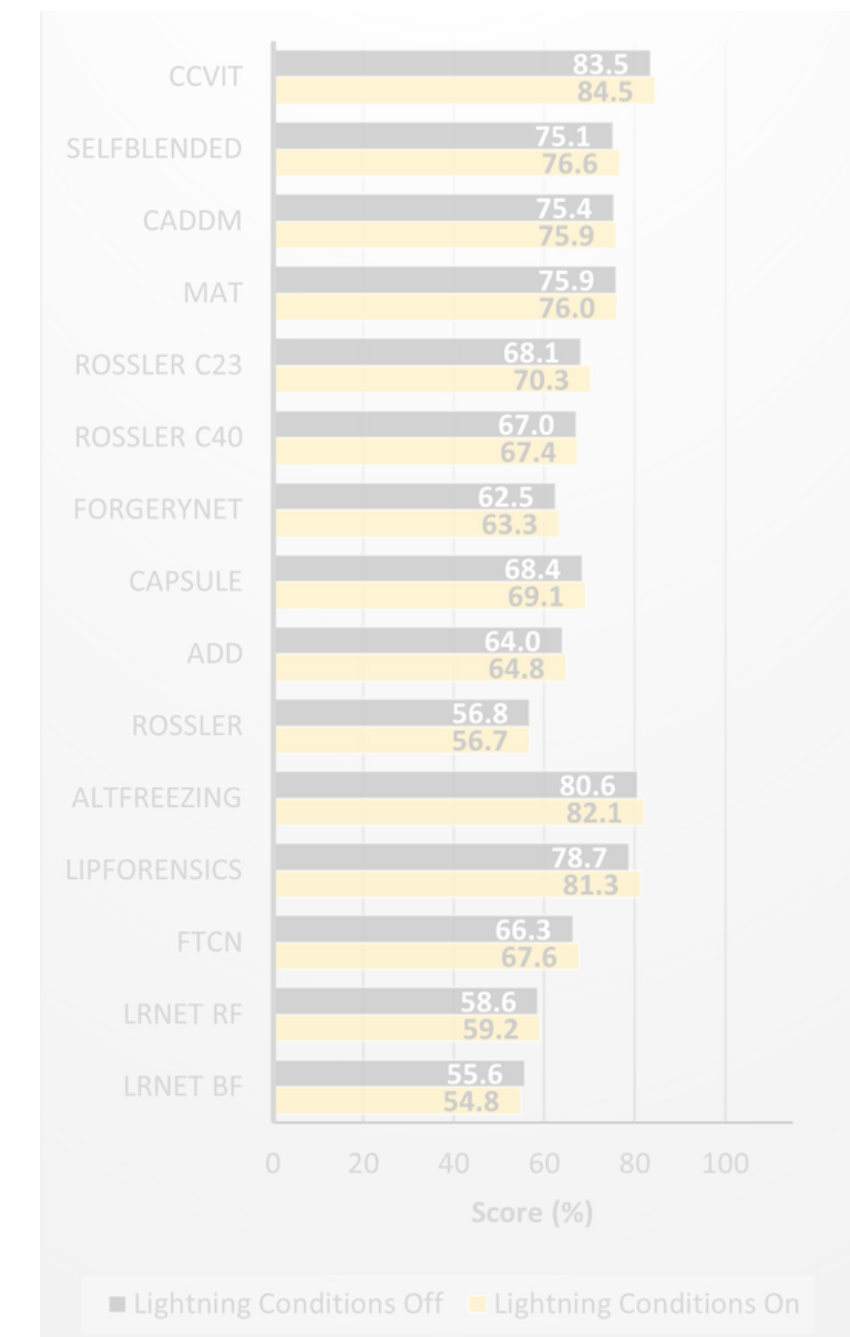




# Experiments under Image Deepfake Detectors

- All image detector AUCs across all screens dropped **10.2%** on average.
- The method most affected is Rossler, with an AUC loss of around **11%**.
- All detector AUCs drop under screen recapture, with average losses of **8-11.6%**, depending on the screens.

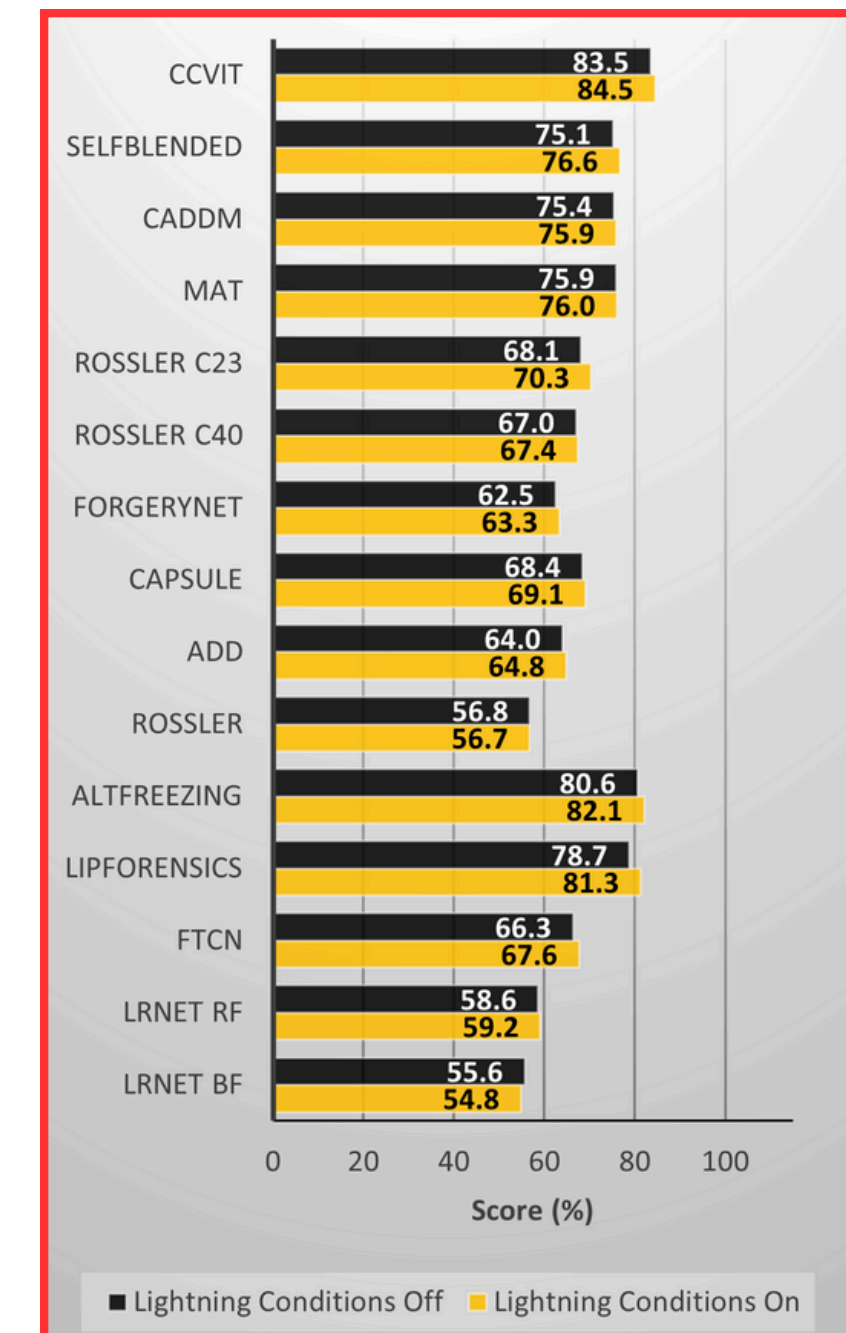
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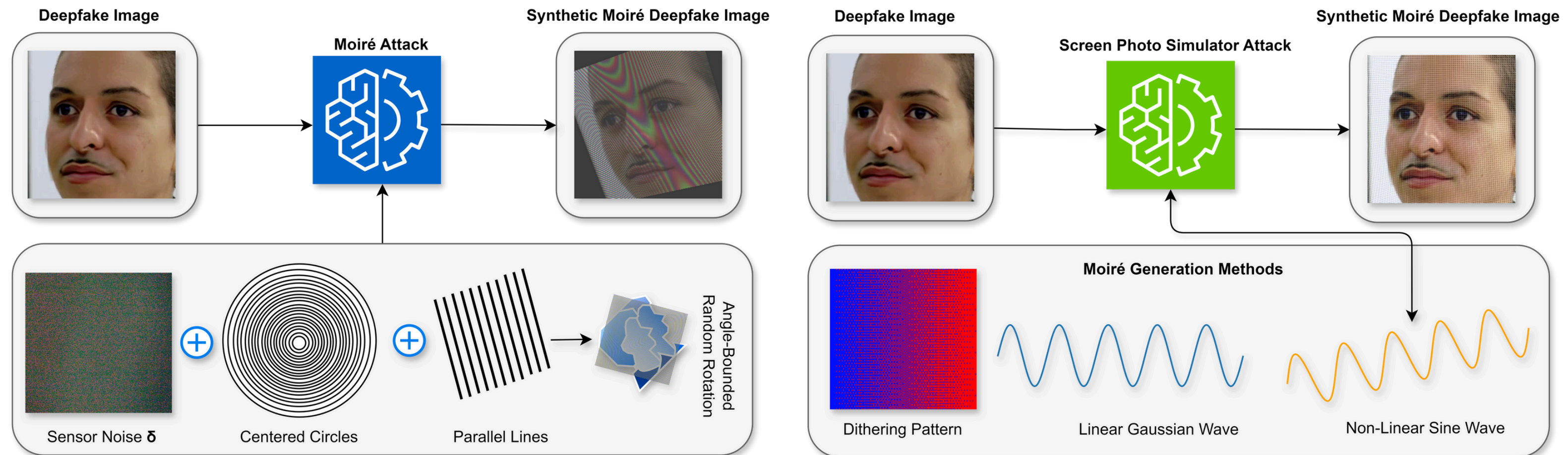
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# Synthetic Moiré Generation pipeline

- We simulated a scenario where an attacker could use synthetic Moiré.
- We utilize two methods to generate synthetic Moiré patterns.
- The performance of the deepfake detectors went down from **78-76%** to **75%-55%**, respectively.



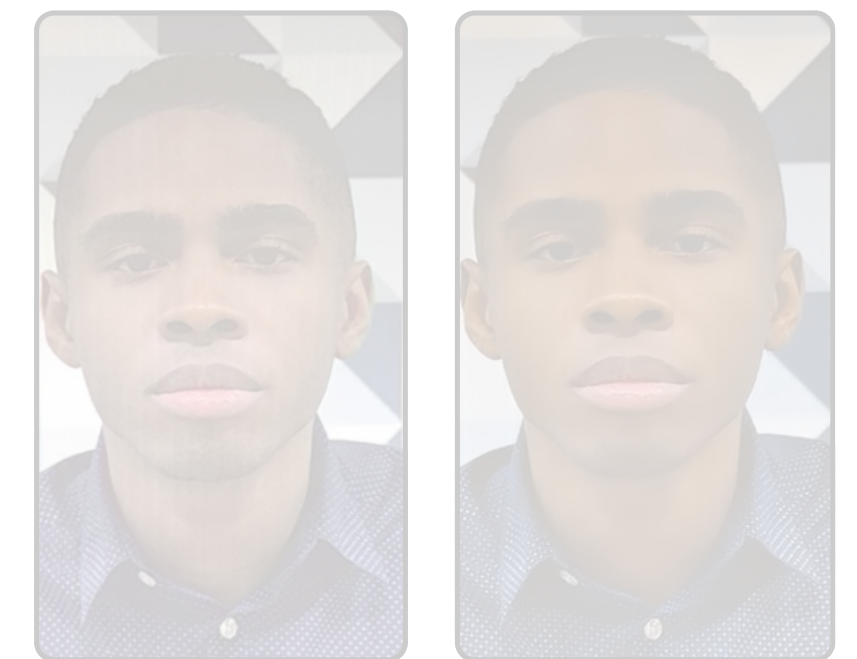
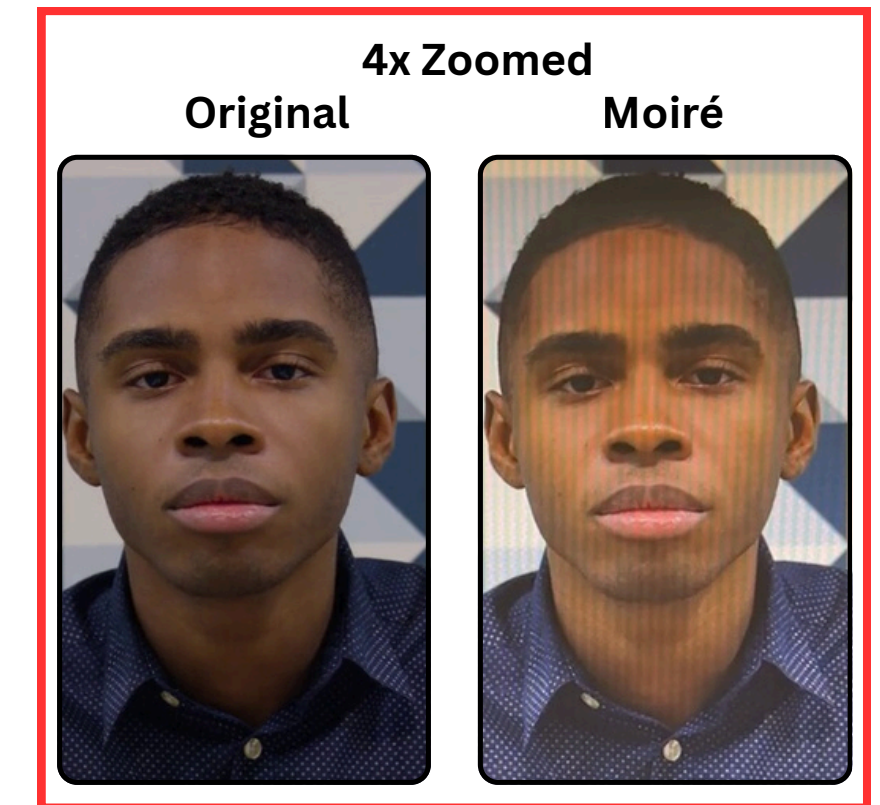


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- We choose image deepfake detectors for comparison with image-based demoiréing methods.

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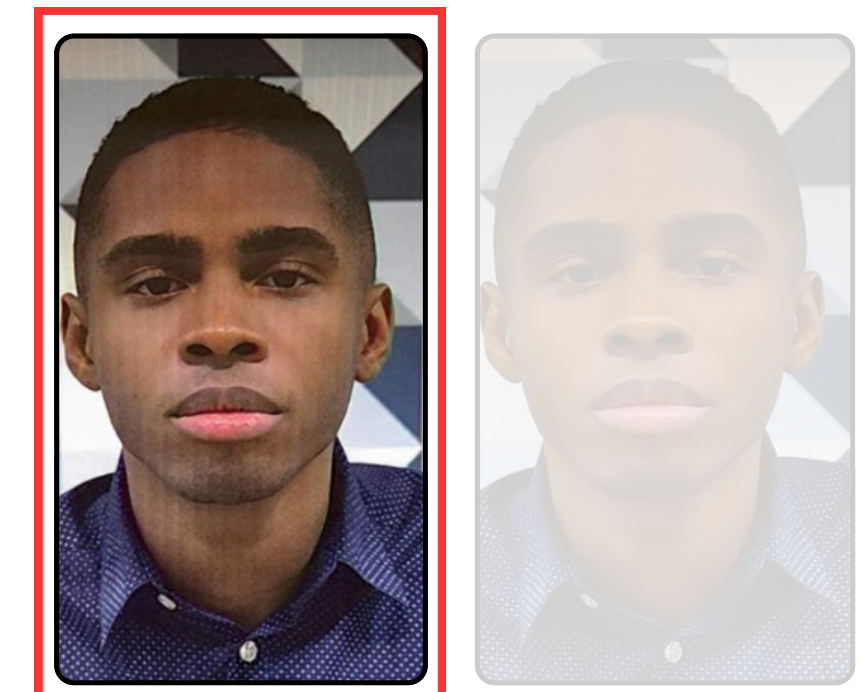
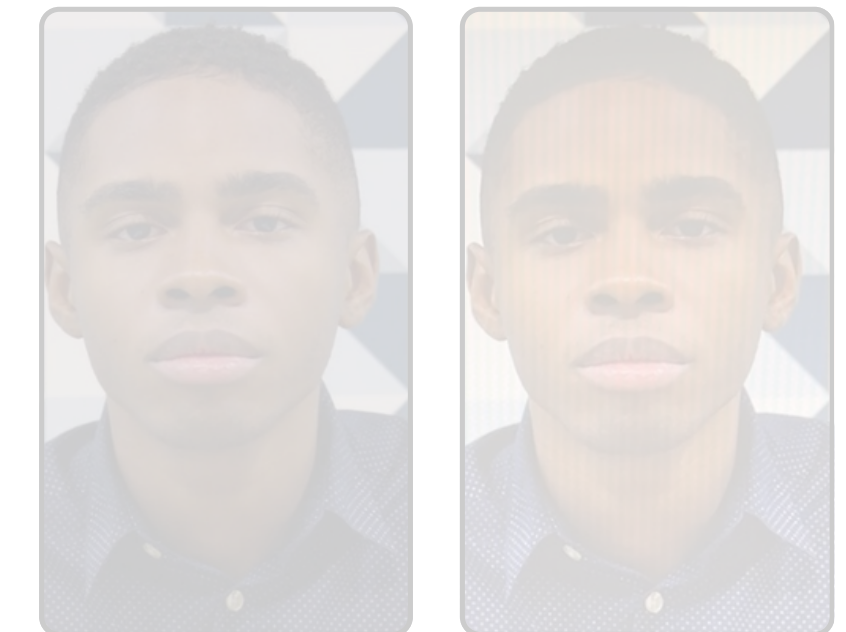
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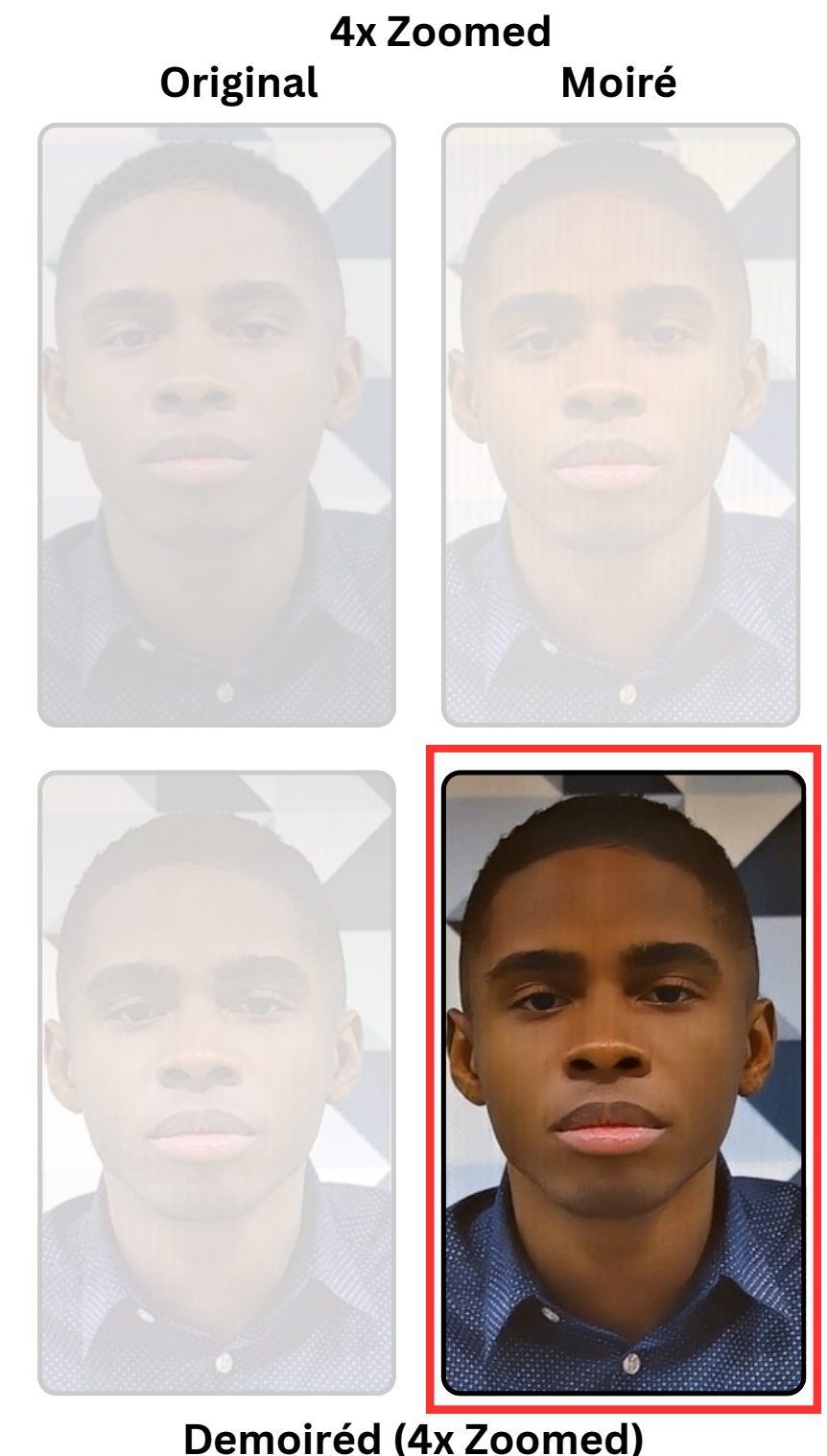


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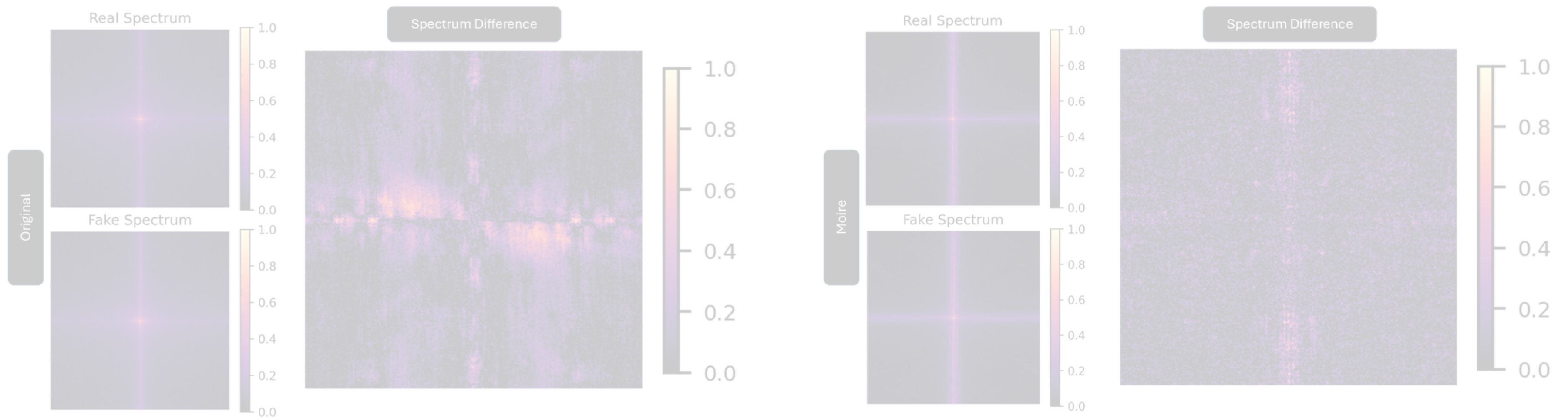
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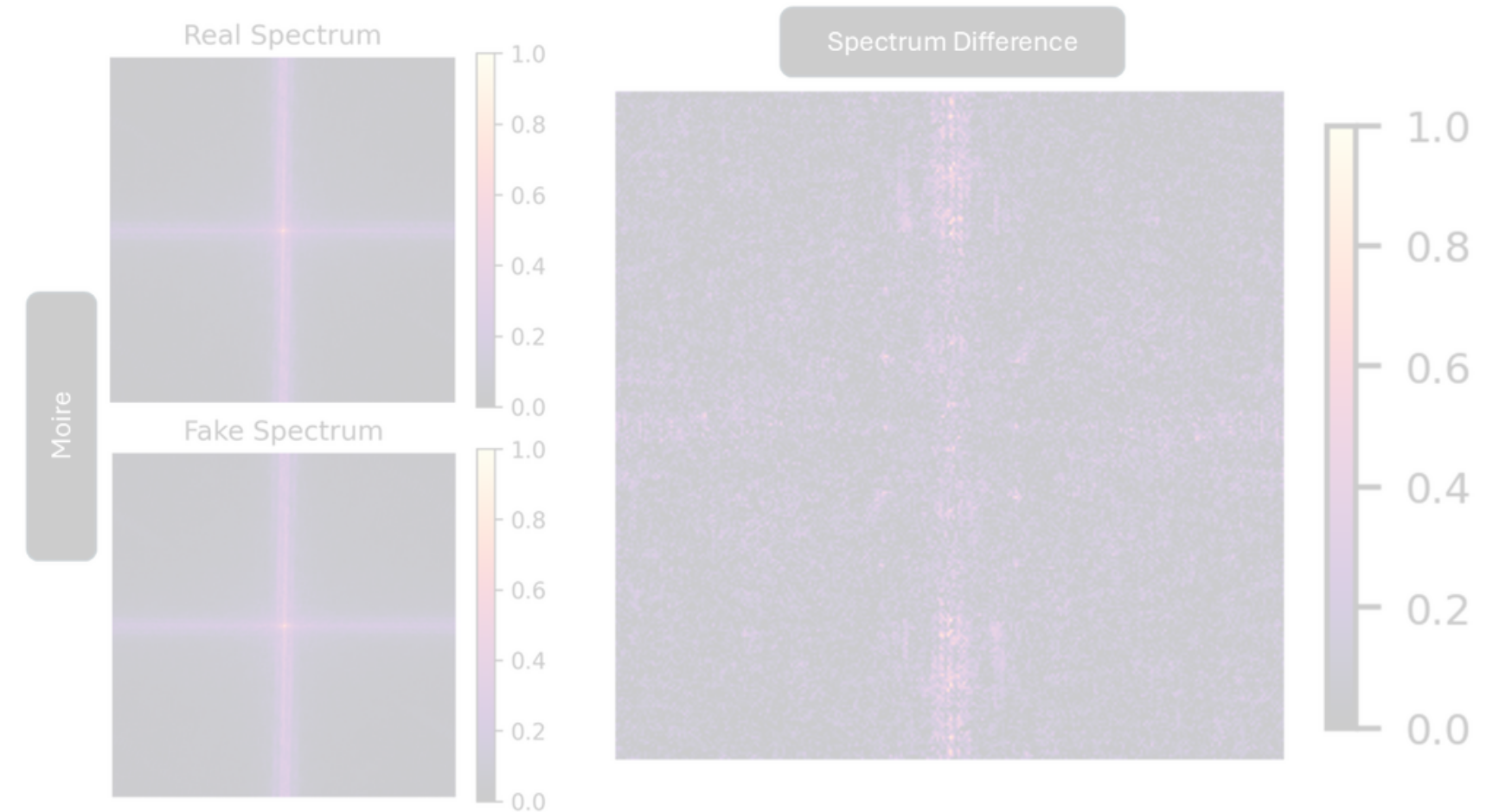
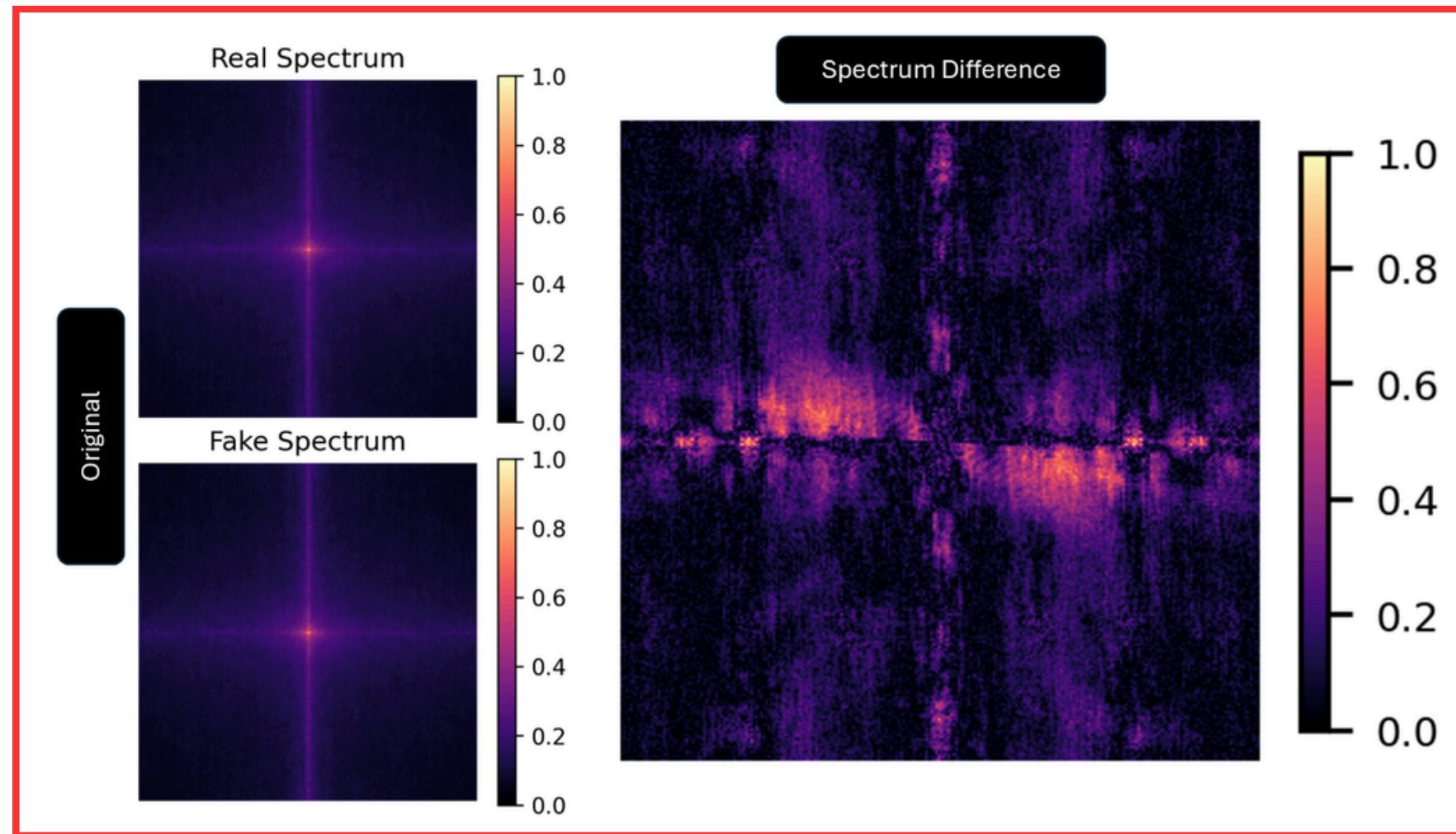
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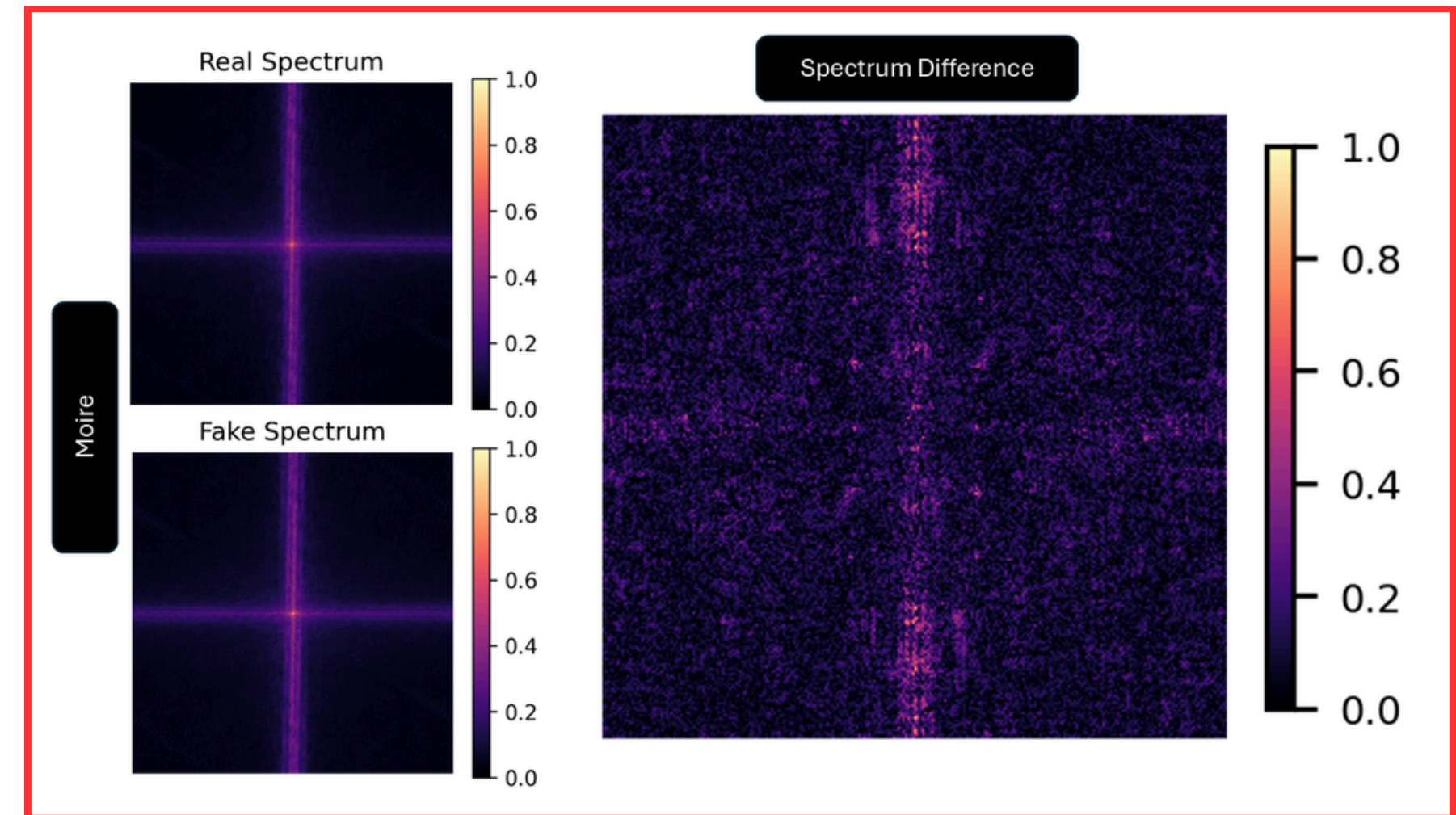
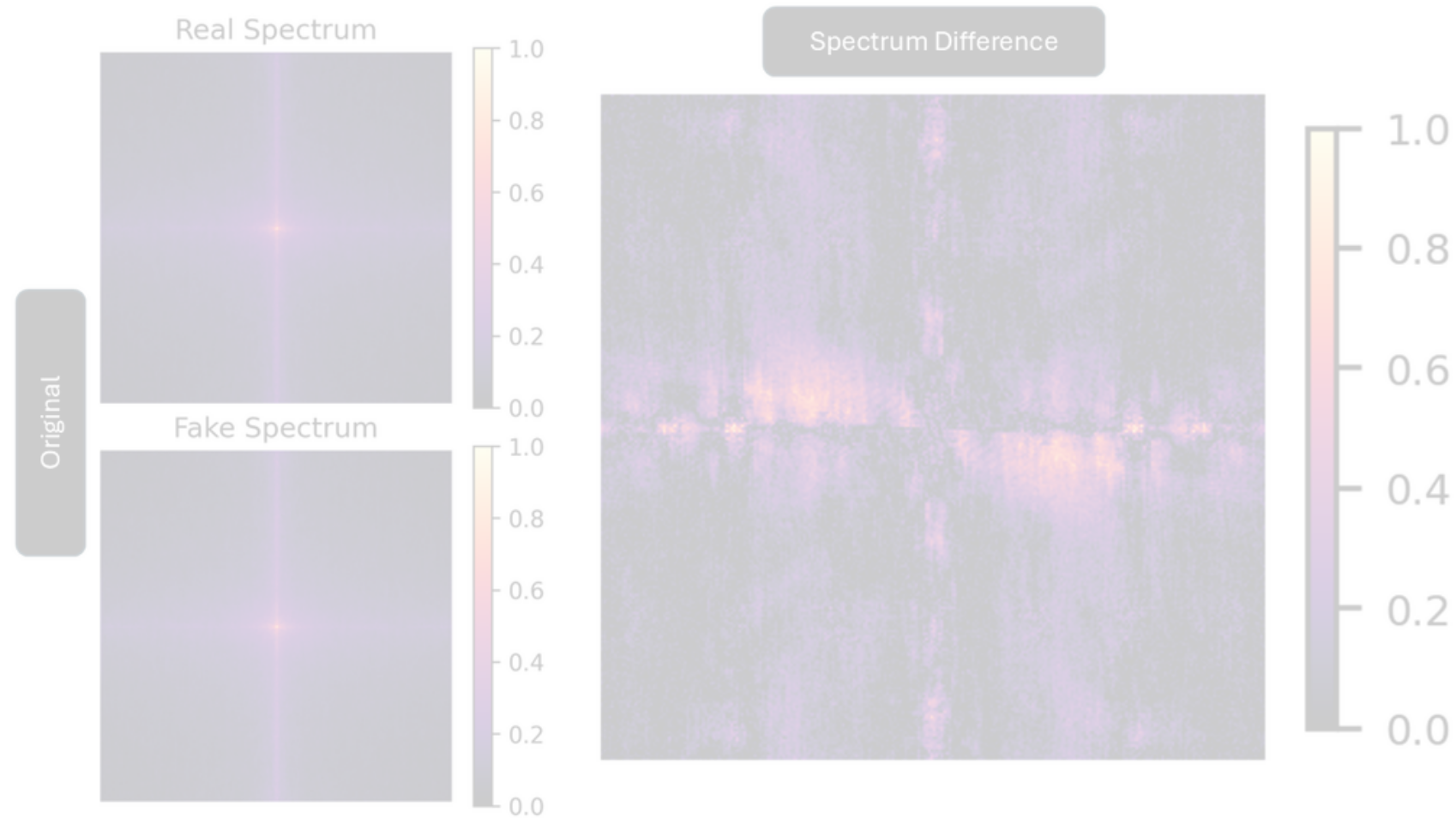
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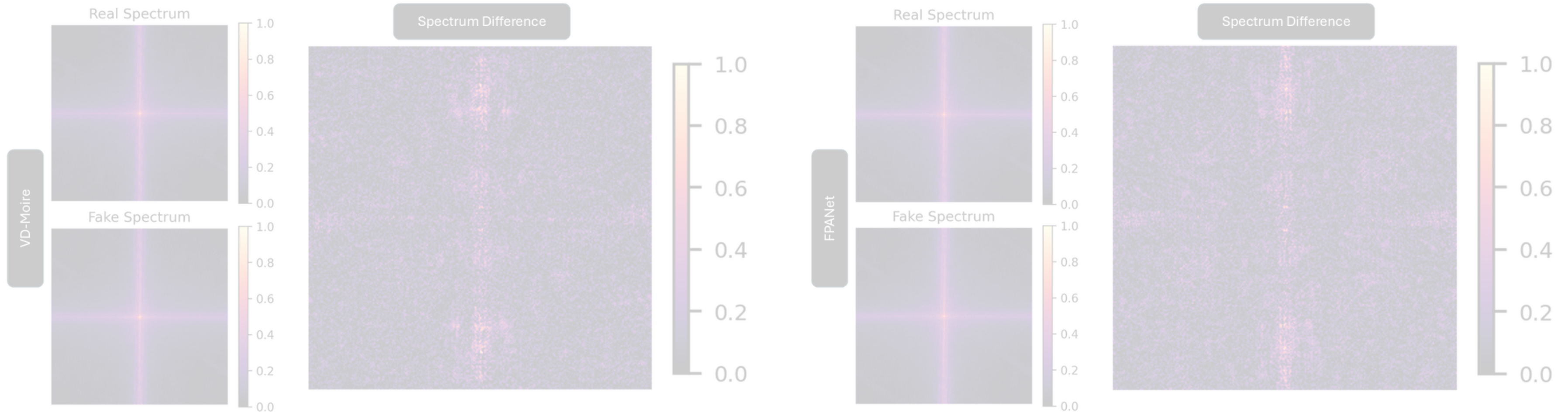
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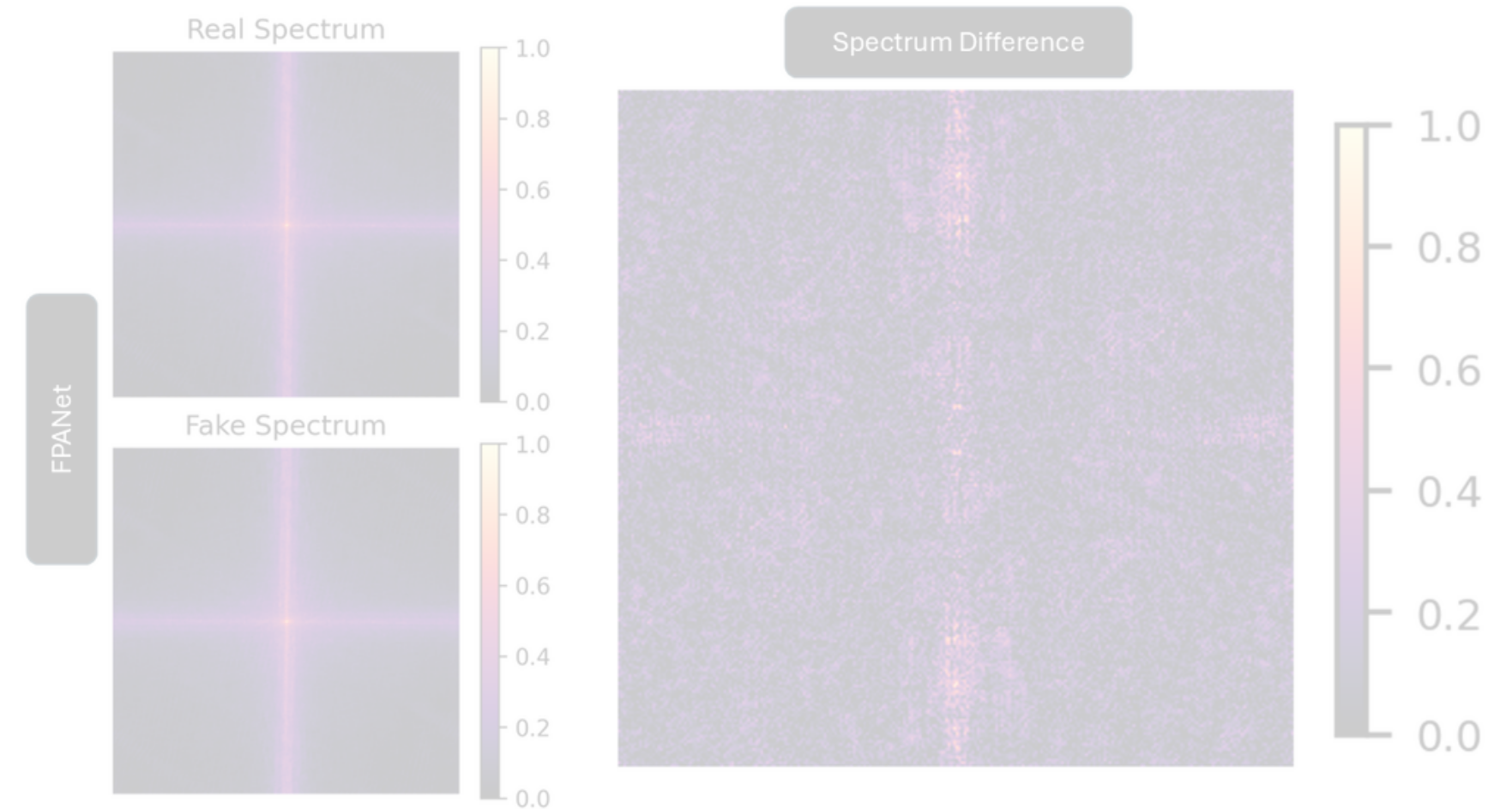
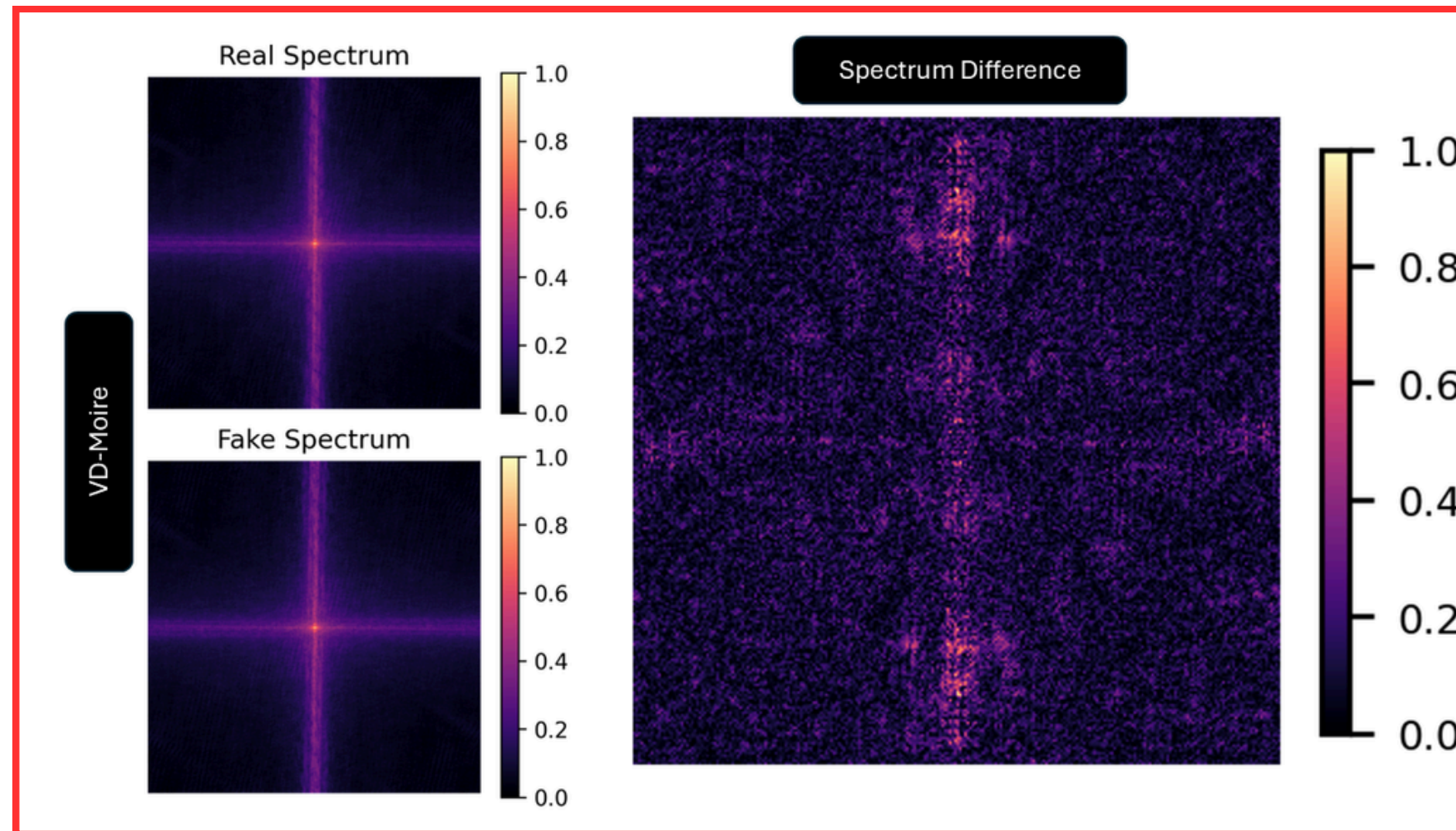
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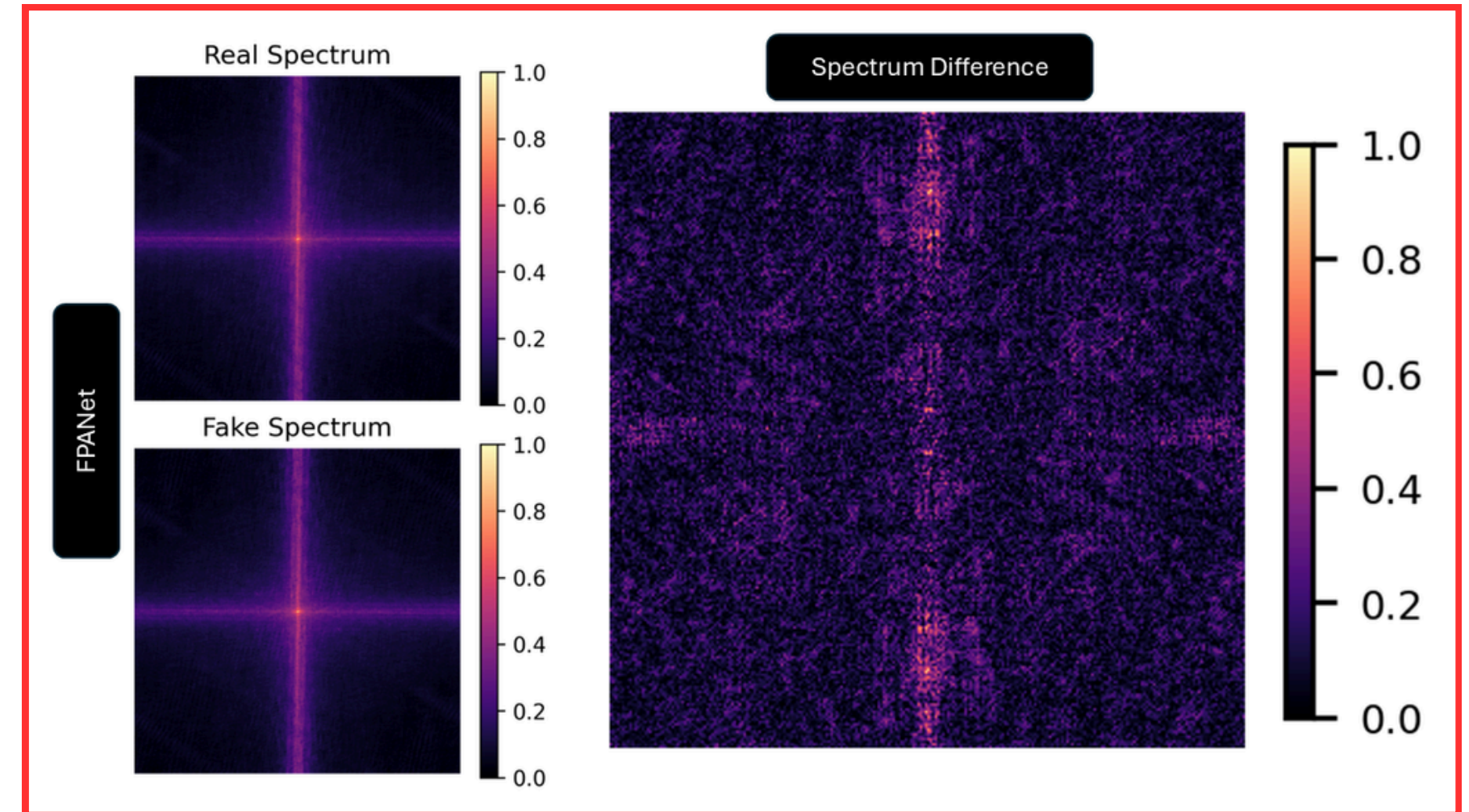
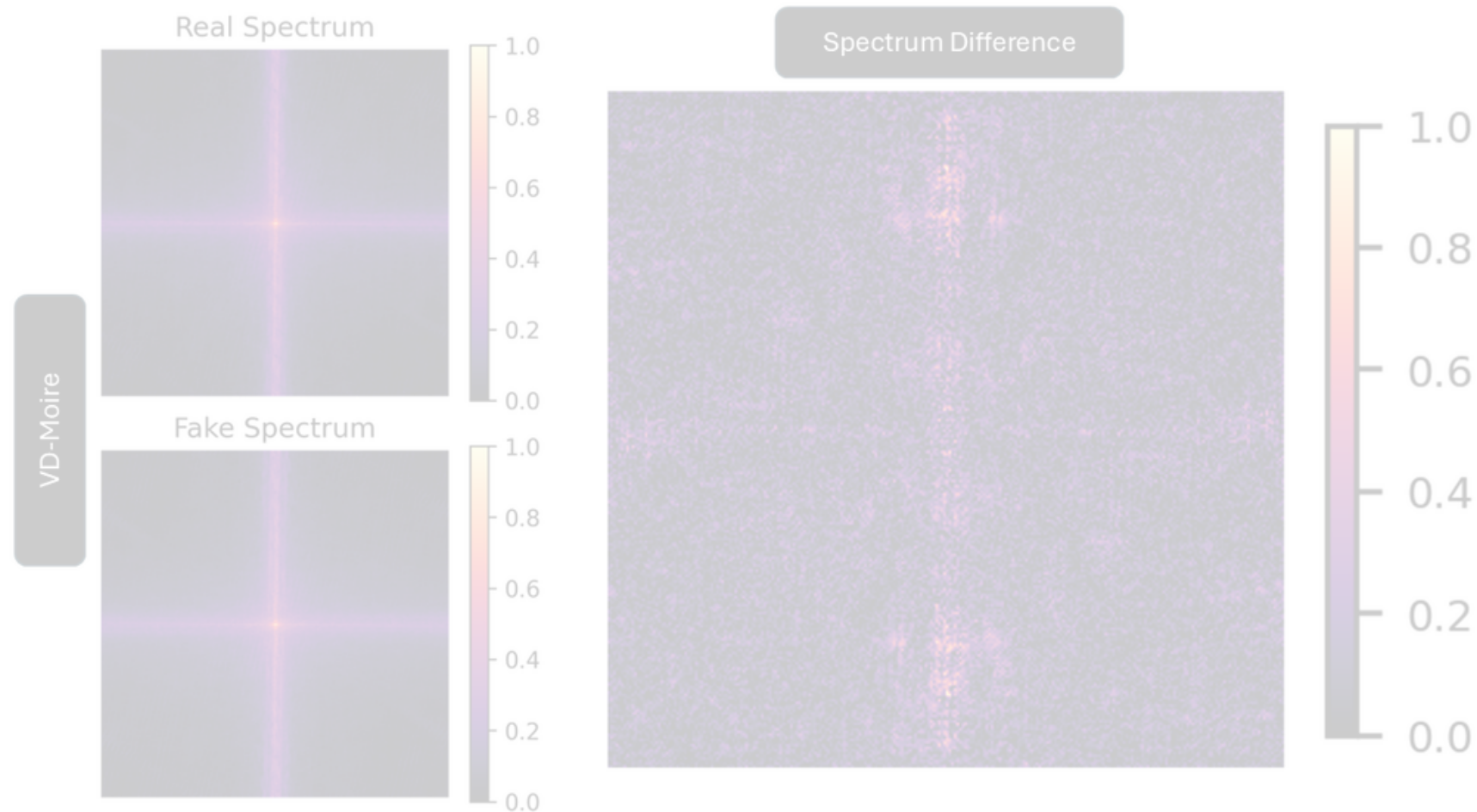
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# Performance after Fine-Tuning and Retraining

- Fine-tuning and retraining improved all models overall, with MAT and CADDM showing uniform gains across domains.
- Rossler exhibited small **(1–2%)** drops in a few subsets but remained largely improved.

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# Performance after Fine-Tuning and Retraining

- Fine-tuning and retraining improved all models overall, with MAT and CADDM showing uniform gains across domains.
- Rossler exhibited small (**1-2%**) drops in a few subsets but remained largely improved.

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# Conclusion

- We provide a Novel Real-World Moiré Benchmark dataset; **DeepMoiréFake (DMF)**.
- We highlight Authentic Moiré vs. Synthetic Moiré results and how they affect deepfake detectors.
- We show how demoiréing methods can be effective, but they may essentially remove deepfake features.
- We also perform retraining, which enhances model performance.
- We conclude by calling for Distortion-Aware training for future researchers by incorporating our DMF dataset in their pipeline.



# Thank you!!!



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