



ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS - WEEK 11

Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)

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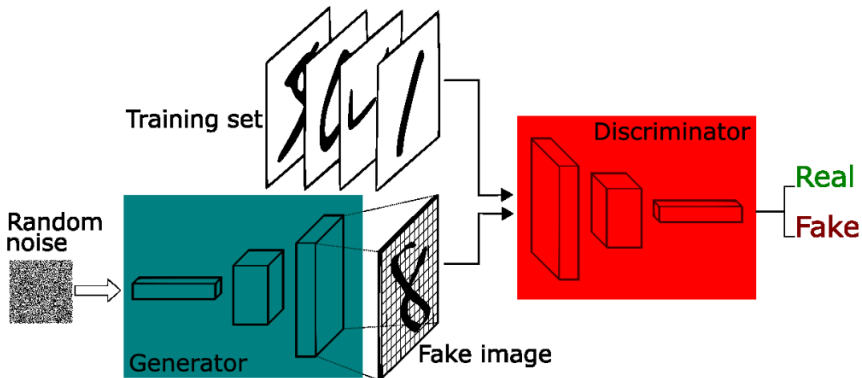
GANs

What are Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)?

GANs are unsupervised learning ANNs. GANs consist of two neural networks: the **generator** and the **discriminator**, which work in a competitive framework.

1. **Generator**: This network generates new data samples that resemble the training data. It starts with random noise and transforms it into data that aims to look like the real data.
2. **Discriminator**: This network evaluates the authenticity of the data samples, distinguishing between real data from the training set and fake data generated by the generator.

GANs



GANs VS. AUTOENCODERS

Key Differences:

1. **Objective:** GANs aim to generate new data samples that mimic the training data, while autoencoders aim to reconstruct the input data from a compressed representation.
2. **Architecture:** GANs have two networks (generator and discriminator) working adversarially, whereas autoencoders have a single encoder-decoder pair.
3. **Output:** GANs produce new, realistic data samples. Autoencoders reconstruct existing data.

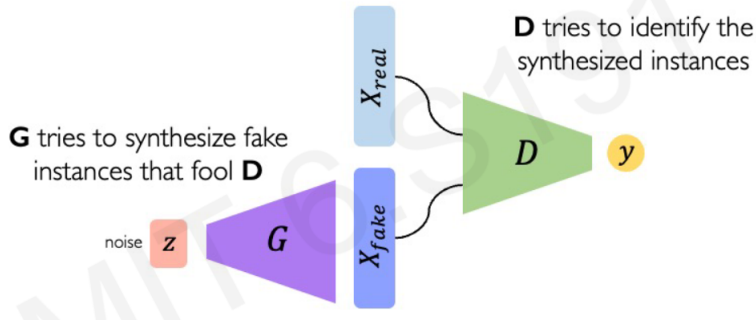
GANs VS. RNNs

Key Differences:

1. **Objective:** RNNs are primarily used for handling sequential data and capturing temporal dependencies, whereas GANs are used for generating new data samples.
2. **Architecture:** RNNs have a recurrent structure to maintain state across time steps. GANs use a generator-discriminator pair with no inherent mechanism for handling sequences.
3. **Output:** RNNs predict or generate sequences based on learned patterns. GANs generate new, standalone data samples.

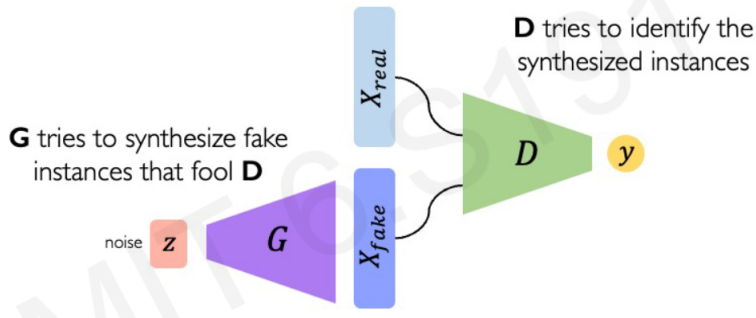
TRAINING GANS

The discriminator (**D**) tries to tell the difference between real data and the fake data created by the generator (**G**). The generator tries to make fake data that looks so real it can trick the discriminator.



TRAINING GANS

Training GANs involves a unique process where two neural networks, the generator (G) and the discriminator (D), are trained simultaneously in a competitive setting.



ALGORITHM: TRAINING GANS

- 1: **Initialize** generator G and discriminator D with random weights
- 2: **while** not converged **do**
- 3: **Training Discriminator D :**
- 4: Sample a batch of real data x from the training set
- 5: Sample a batch of random noise z
- 6: Generate fake data $\hat{x} = G(z)$
- 7: Compute discriminator loss: \mathcal{L}_D
- 8: Update discriminator D 's weights to minimize \mathcal{L}_D
- 9: **Training Generator G :**
- 10: Sample a batch of random noise z
- 11: Generate fake data $\hat{x} = G(z)$
- 12: Compute generator loss: \mathcal{L}_G
- 13: Update generator G 's weights to minimize \mathcal{L}_G
- 14: **Feedback Loop:**
- 15: Discriminator D gives feedback to Generator G
- 16: Generator G uses feedback to improve generated data \hat{x}
- 17: **end while**

SUMMARY: TRAINING GANS

1. **Training Cycle:** The discriminator and generator are trained alternately.
2. **Discriminator Loss:** Measures the accuracy in distinguishing real data from fake data.
3. **Generator Loss:** Measures the success in generating realistic data that fools the discriminator.
4. **Goal:** The generator improves in creating realistic data, while the discriminator improves in detecting fake data, pushing both networks to enhance their performance continuously until a balance is achieved.

GANS IN PRACTICE

GAN: example on MNIST

MNIST training data:

8 2 6 4
4 1 4 3
2 0 3 0
5 8 4 5

GAN generated examples:

3 9 5 3
9 6 4 2
0 5 7 8
8 7 2 2

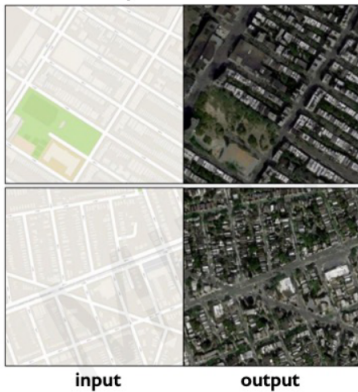
GANs IN PRACTICE

Progressive growing of GANs: results



GANS IN PRACTICE

Map → Aerial View



Aerial View → Map



RESOURCES

To download the source codes used in the previous slides, follow the link:

▶ [Download Source Codes](#)

Import the codes into your preferred development environment, such as Visual Studio Code (VS Code), to practice and explore further.

To learn programming in Python, follow my comprehensive 15-week Programming in Python course at:

▶ [Programming in Python](#)