

Data and Network Security

(Master Degree in Computer Science and Cybersecurity)

Lecture 5



Outline for today

- Recap last lecture
- Information leakage from ML models
- Privacy preserving learning issues

Sensitive property



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Disclosure of such properties can lead to privacy breaches, discrimination, or manipulation of individuals.

Information leakage from ML models

Can I infer some (sensitive) property of the dataset used to train an ML model?



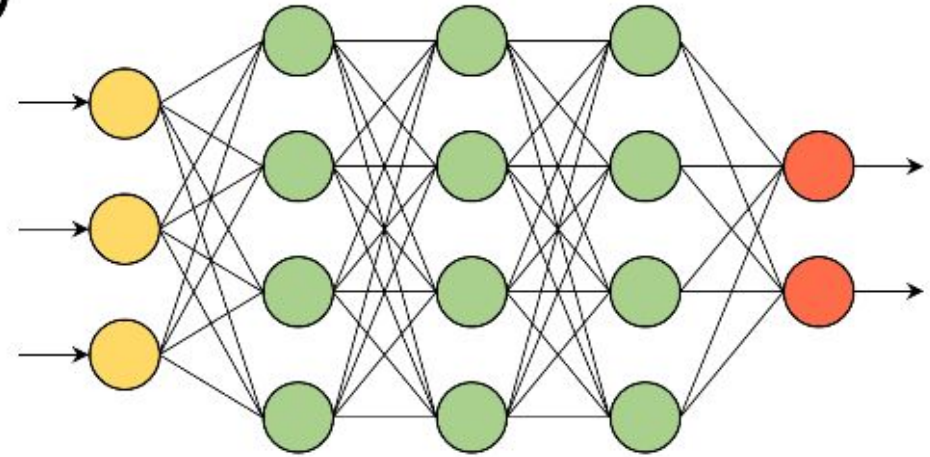
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What can ML models tell?



DATASET

(a)



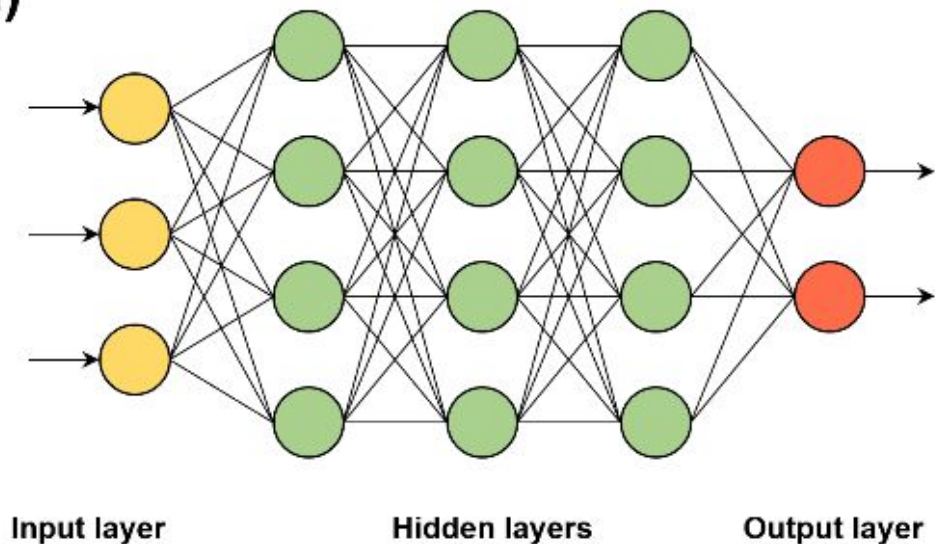
Input layer

Hidden layers

Output layer

Does this dataset have this property?

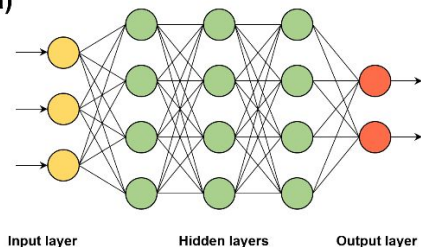
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But you have only the model...

Does this dataset have this property P?

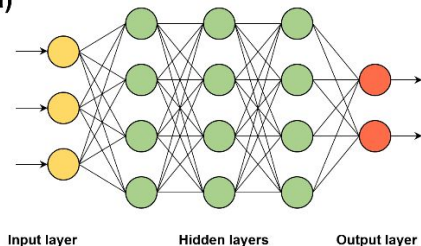
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Construct N different ML models, similar to the target model.

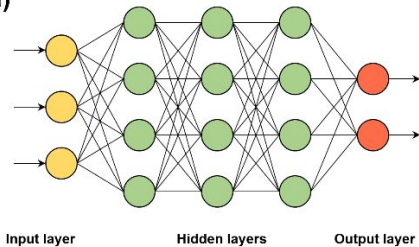
- The dataset of some has property P, and the others dont.

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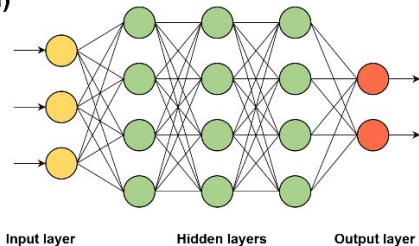
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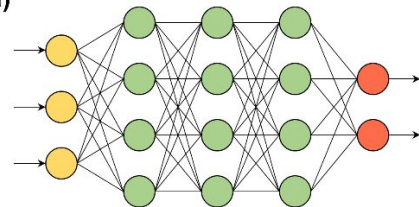
Represent all these ML models
as a “feature vector”

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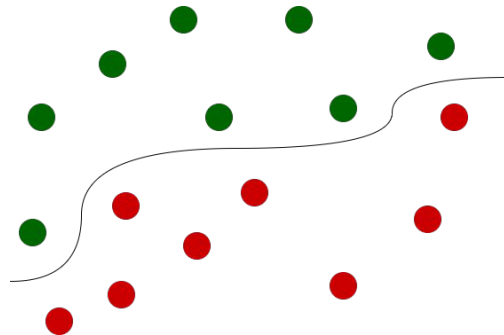
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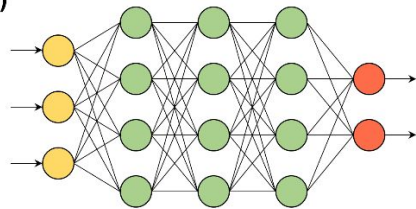
Output layer

$[f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_x]$

Train a binary classifier on these features



(a)



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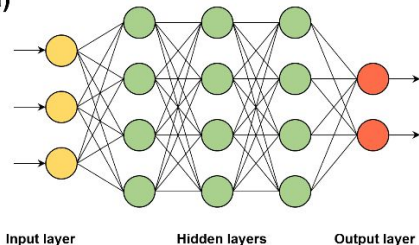
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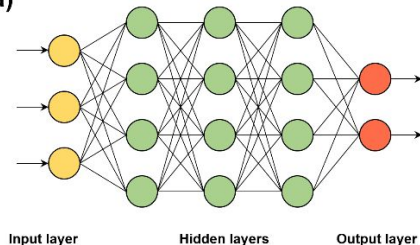
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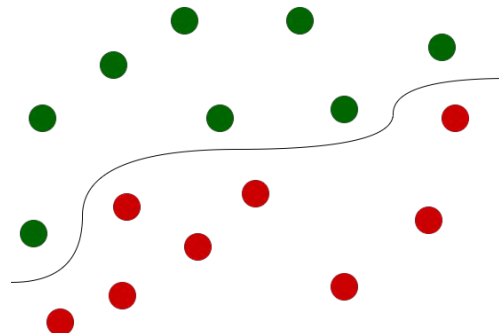


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Represent and test the target classifier.

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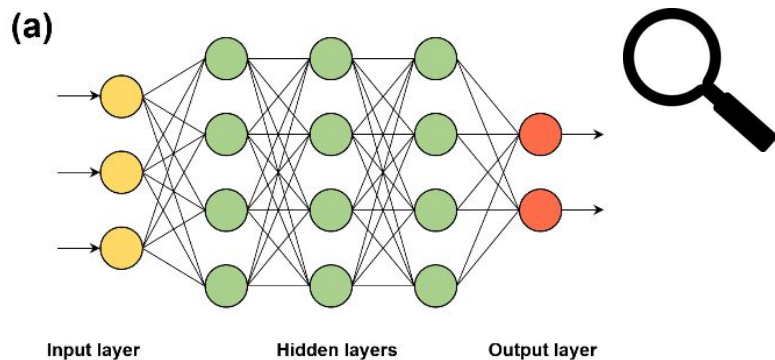
Was this datapoint part of this dataset?



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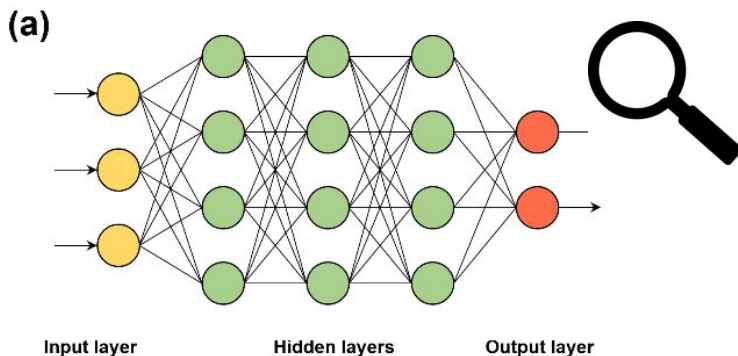
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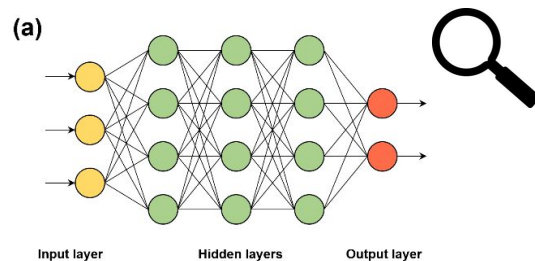
During the training phase, a machine learning model learns to generalize patterns and relationships from the training dataset to make predictions on unseen data. As a result, the model's behavior may vary depending on whether it has seen a particular data point during training.



Information leakage from ML models

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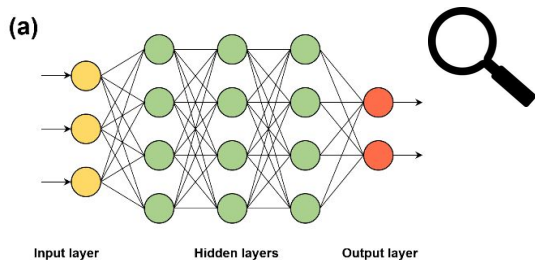
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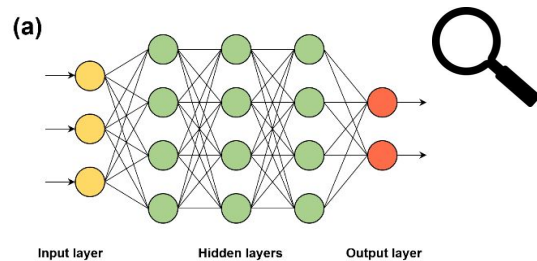
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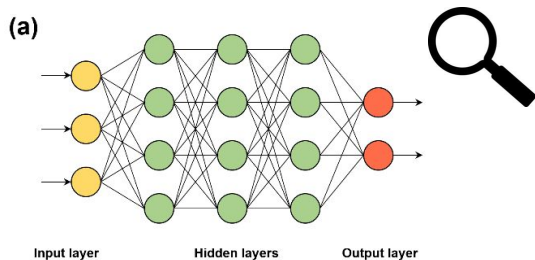
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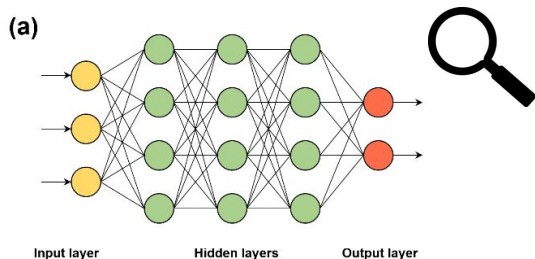


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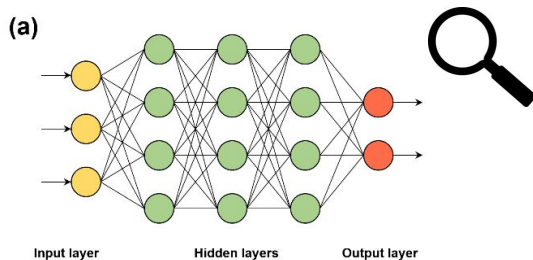
If a model exhibits overfitting, it may produce responses that are overly **confident** or **precise** for data points seen during training but less accurate for unseen data.



Distinguishing features?

Another indicator - confidence discrepancy.

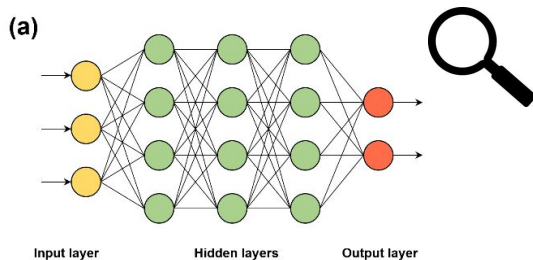
If the model's confidence is significantly higher for certain inputs compared to others, it may suggest that those inputs were present in the training dataset.



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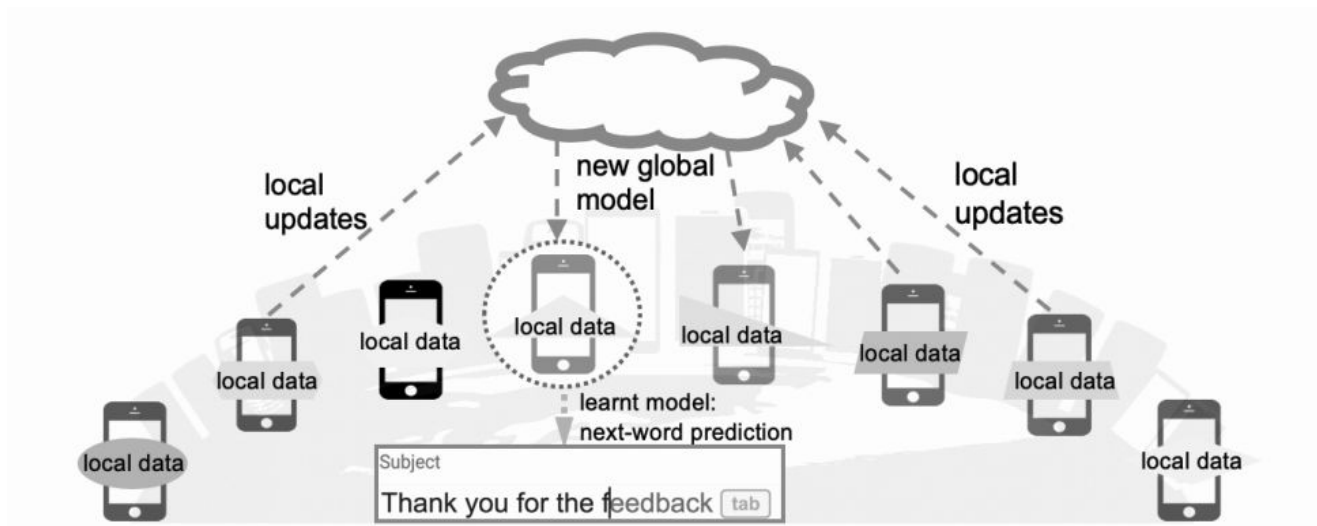
Another indicator - bias in model responses.

If the model consistently predicts certain **classes** or outputs for specific inputs, it may indicate that those inputs were overrepresented in the training dataset.



**Is there any leakage in
privacy-preserving learning?**

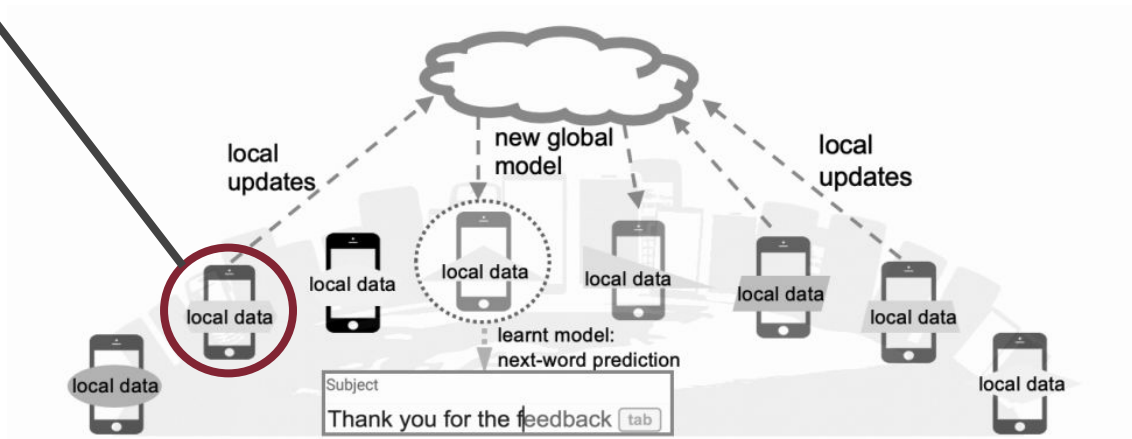
Collaborative learning



Federated learning (FL) (also known as **collaborative learning**) is a machine learning technique that trains an algorithm across multiple decentralized edge devices or servers holding local data samples, without exchanging them.

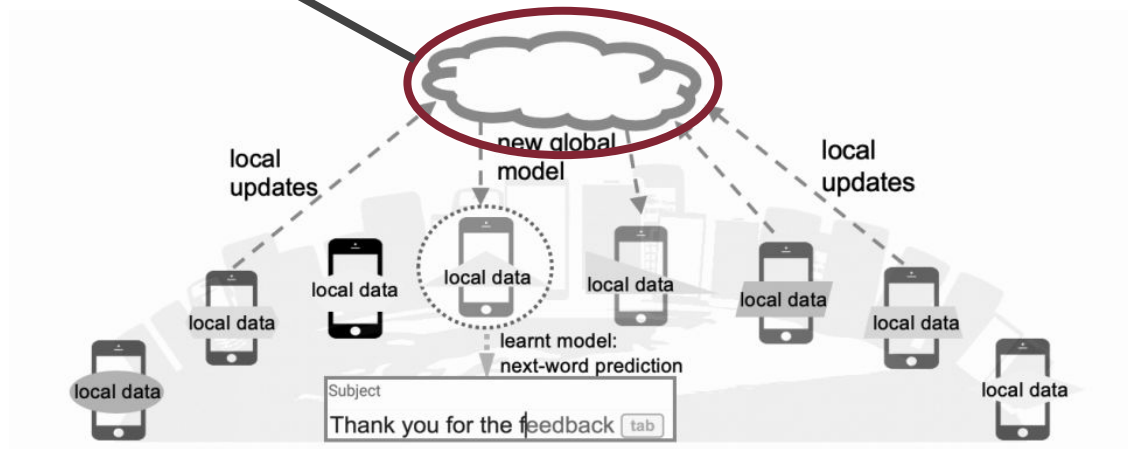
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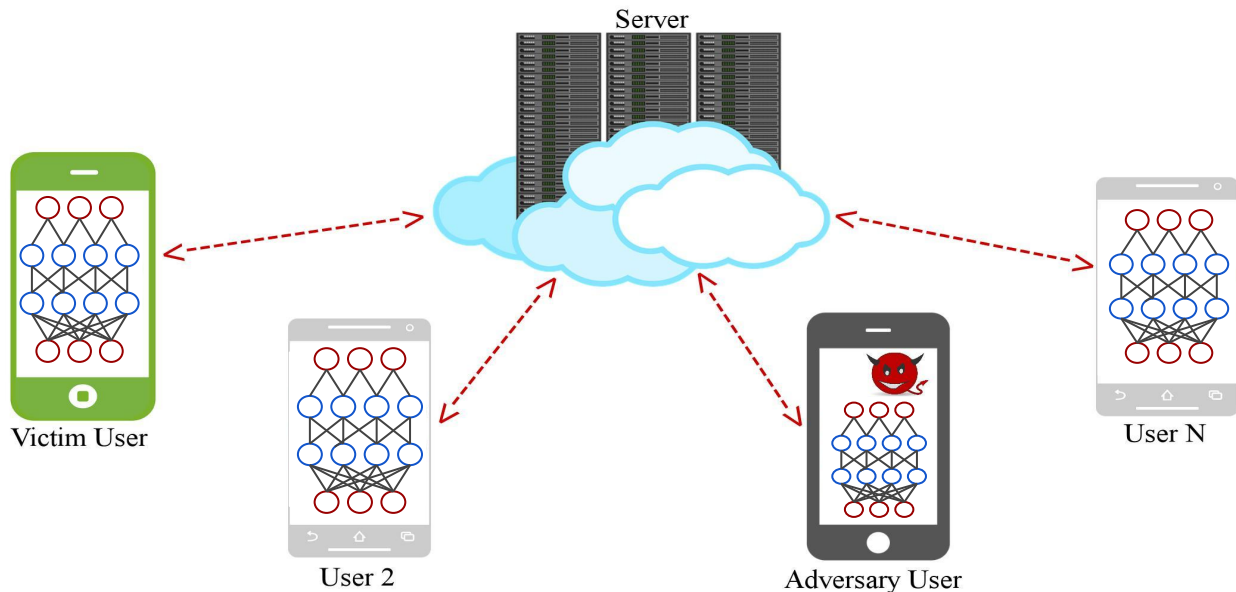


How does FL work? (global update)

$$\mathbf{W}_{t+1} = \mathbf{W}_t + \frac{\alpha}{n'} \sum_{k=1}^{n'} \nabla \mathbf{W}_t^k$$



Collaborative Learning Scheme



Adversary's goal?

Reconstruct private samples from the dataset of the victim indirectly influencing the learning of other participants

How can we reconstruct samples of other participants training data by looking at some gradients?

How should the adversary behave?

- The adversary should operate as an participant within the privacy-preserving collaborative deep learning protocol.
- The objective of the adversary is to infer meaningful information about a label that he does not own.
- The adversary does not compromise the global parameter server that collects and distributes parameters to the participants.

What can the adversary use?

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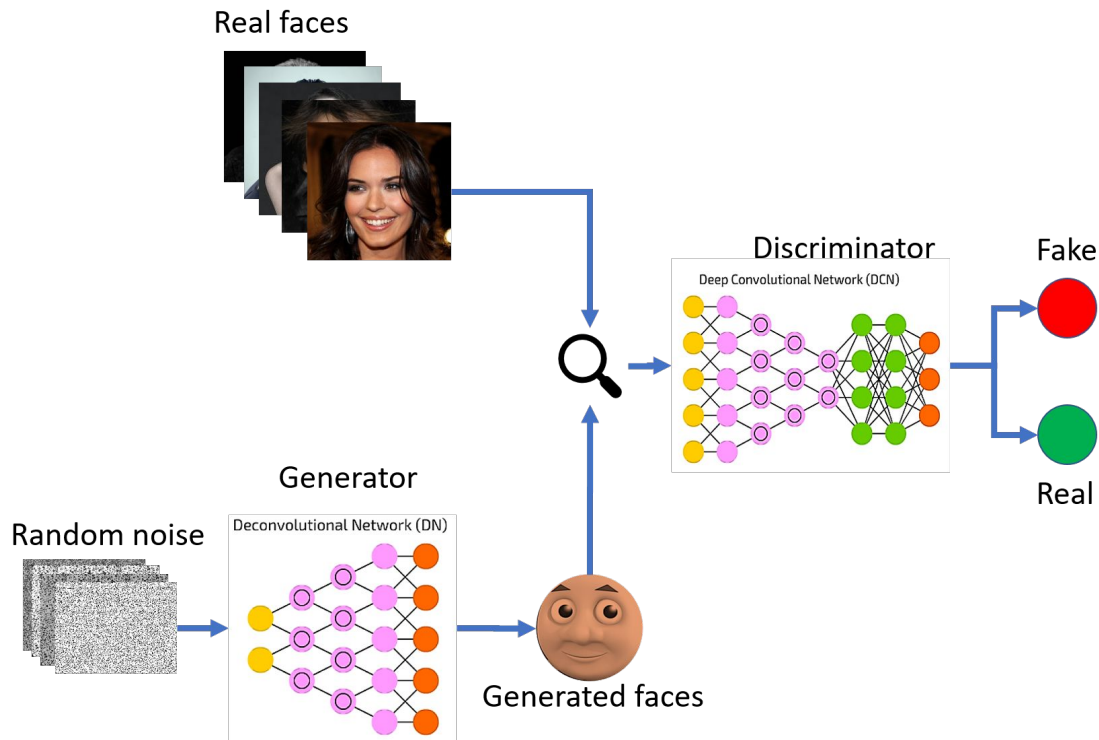
Give me DATA...

Not this..

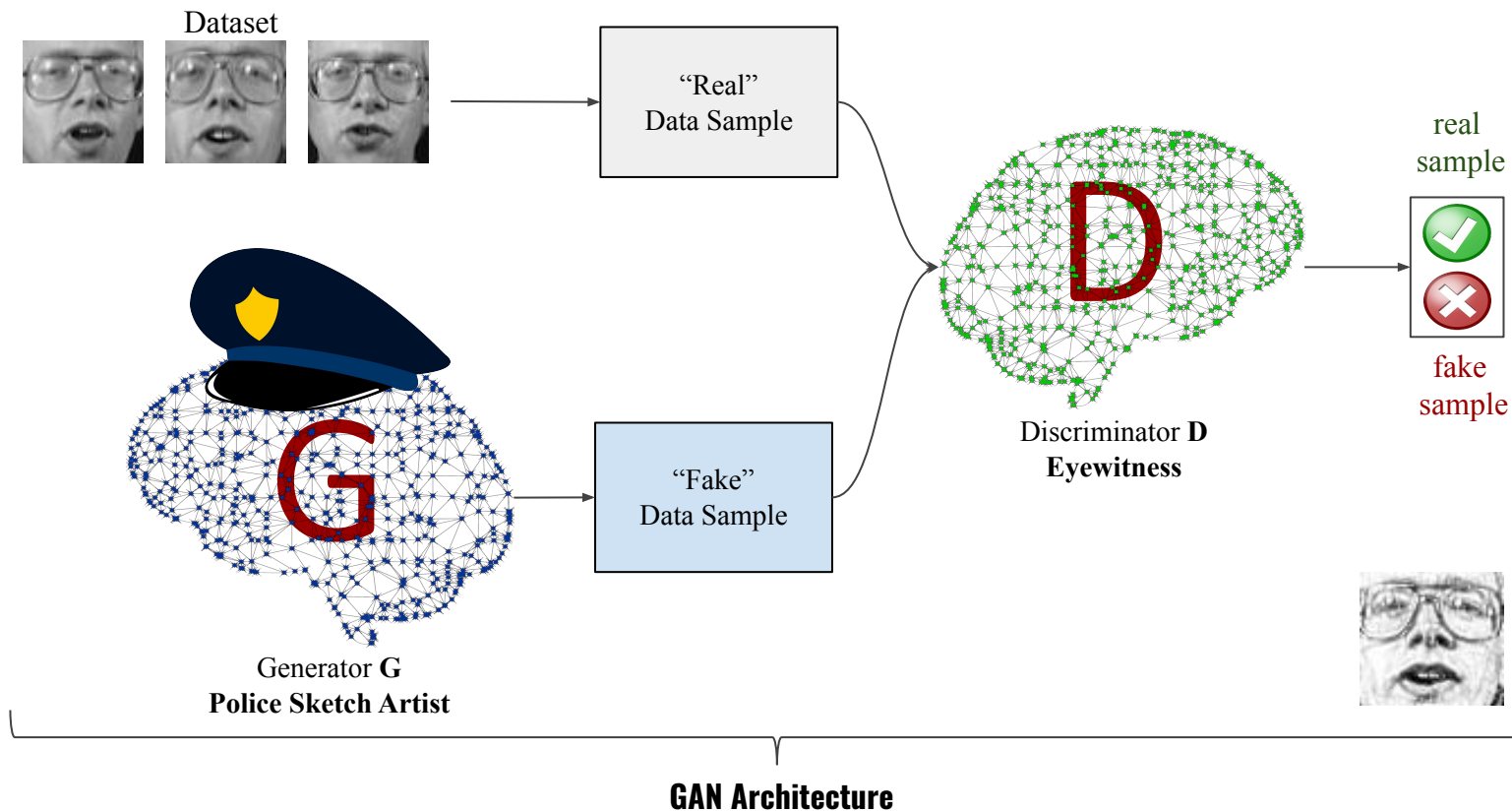
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Generative Adversarial Network



Generative Adversarial Networks

Generative

- We try to learn the underlying the distribution from which our dataset comes from.

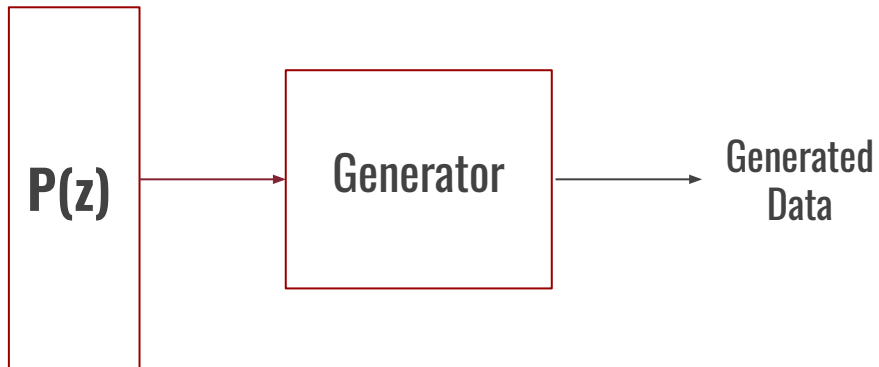
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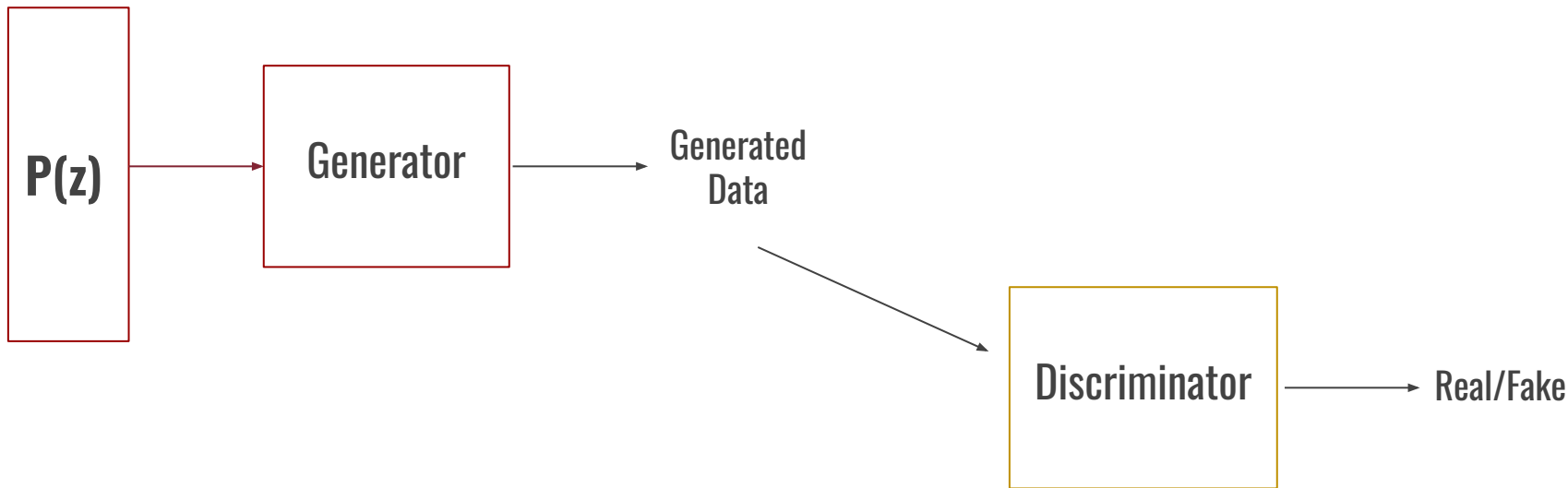
Adversarial

- GANS are made up of two competing networks (adversaries) that are trying beat each other.

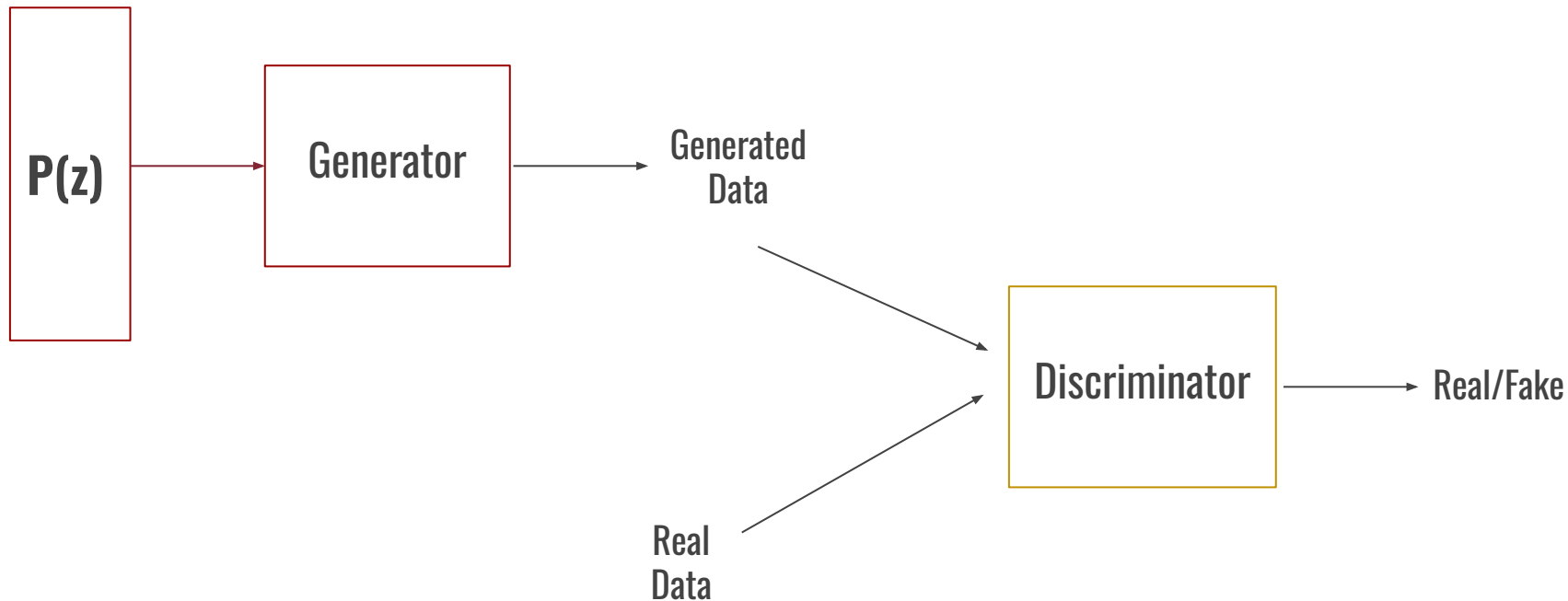
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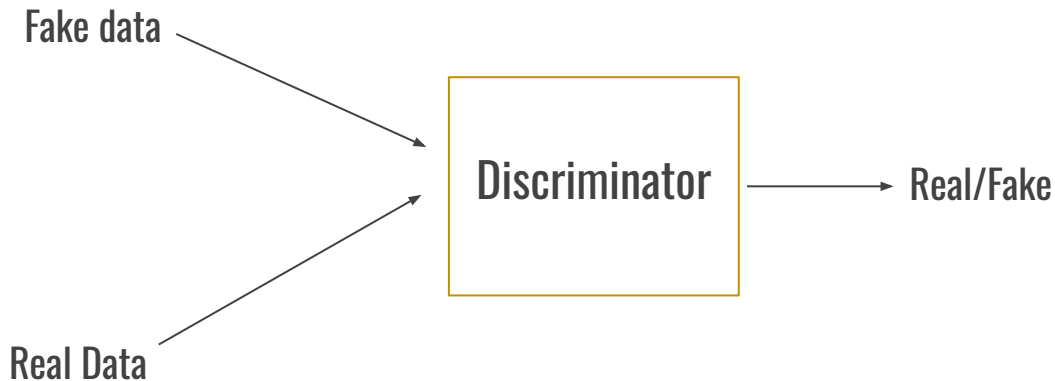
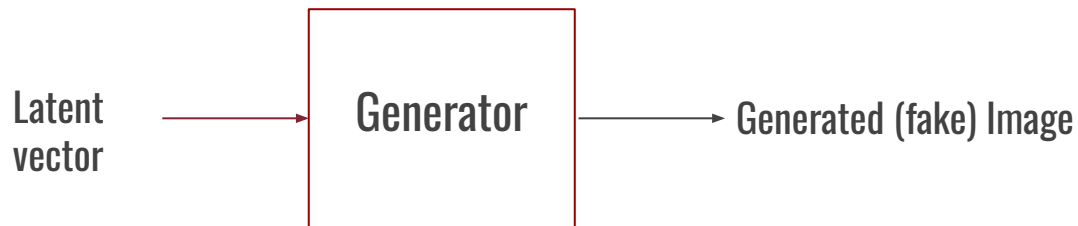


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At $t=0$,



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- The data for Real class is already given:
 - **THE TRAINING DATA**
- The data for Fake class?
 - Generate from the **Generator**

GANs - How are they trained?

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Learning objective: Generate images from the Generator such that they are classified incorrectly by the Discriminator.

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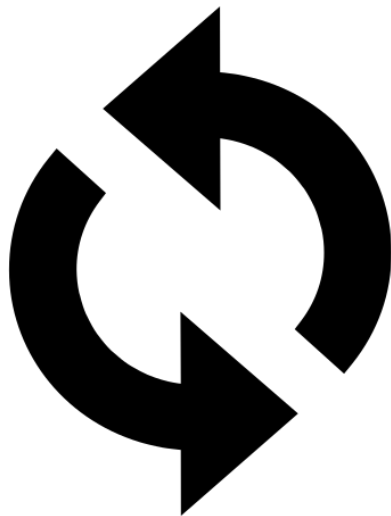
Generator

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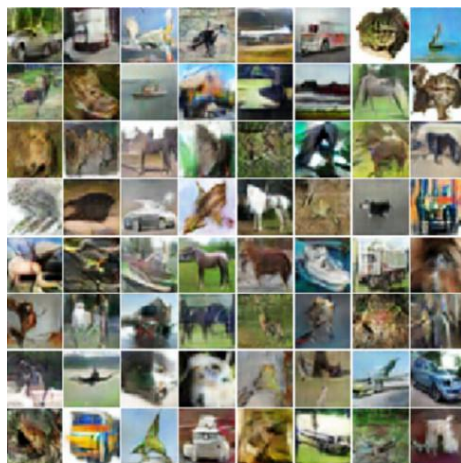


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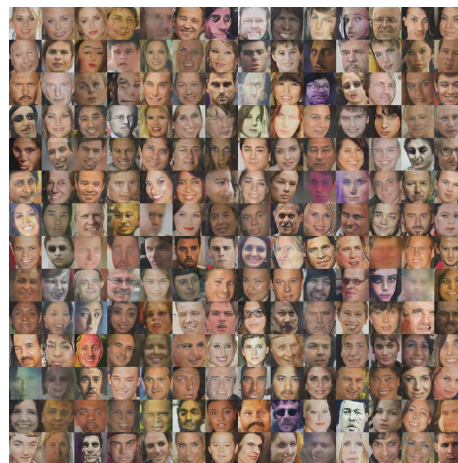
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MNIST images



CIFAR-10 images



faces



album covers

GAN results in the literature

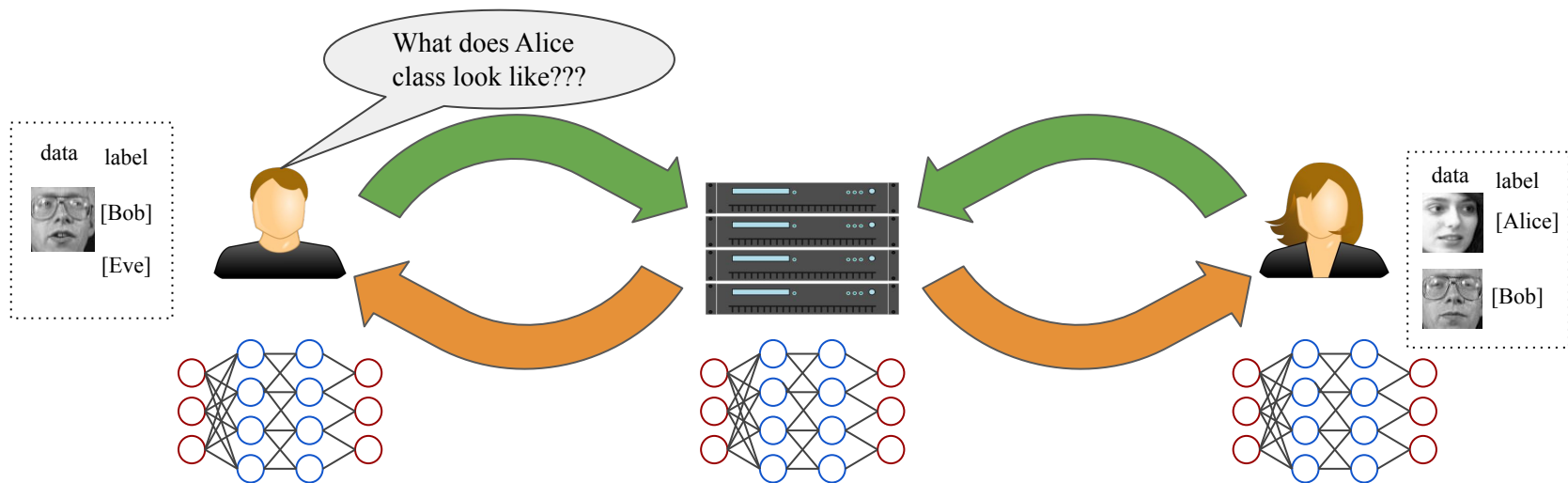
images from:

- <https://blog.openai.com/generative-models/>
- Goodfellow et al. Generative Adversarial Networks
- Radford et al. Unsupervised Representation Learning with Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Networks

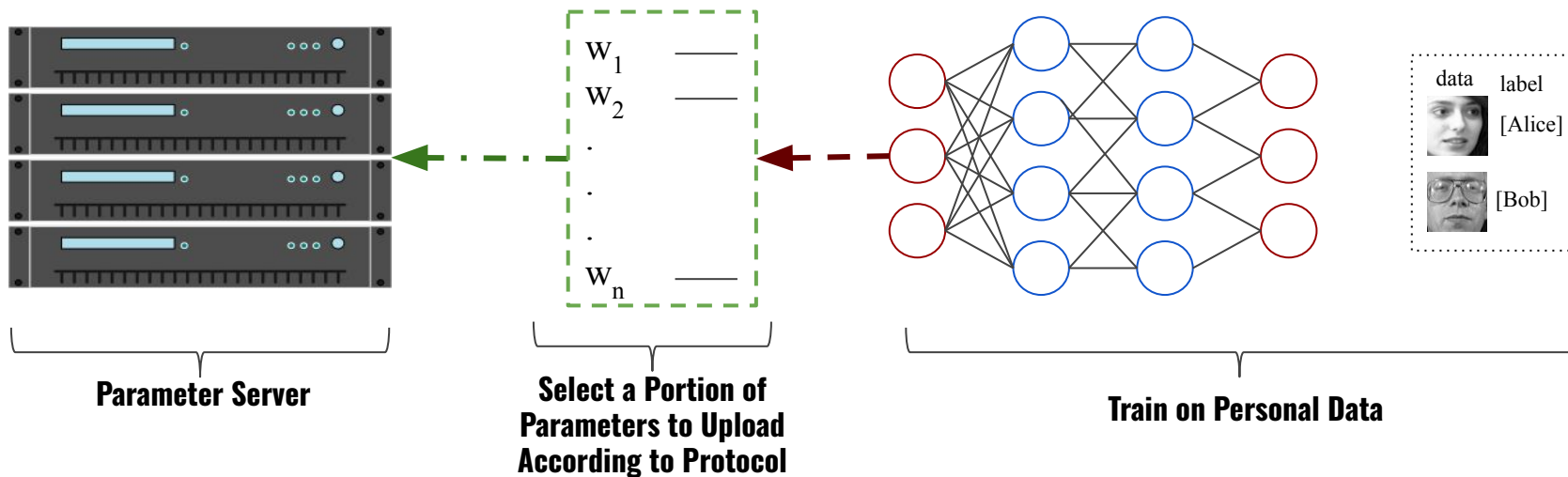
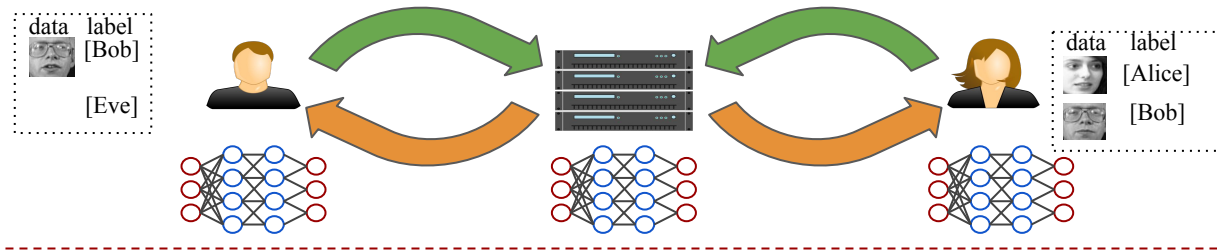


bedrooms

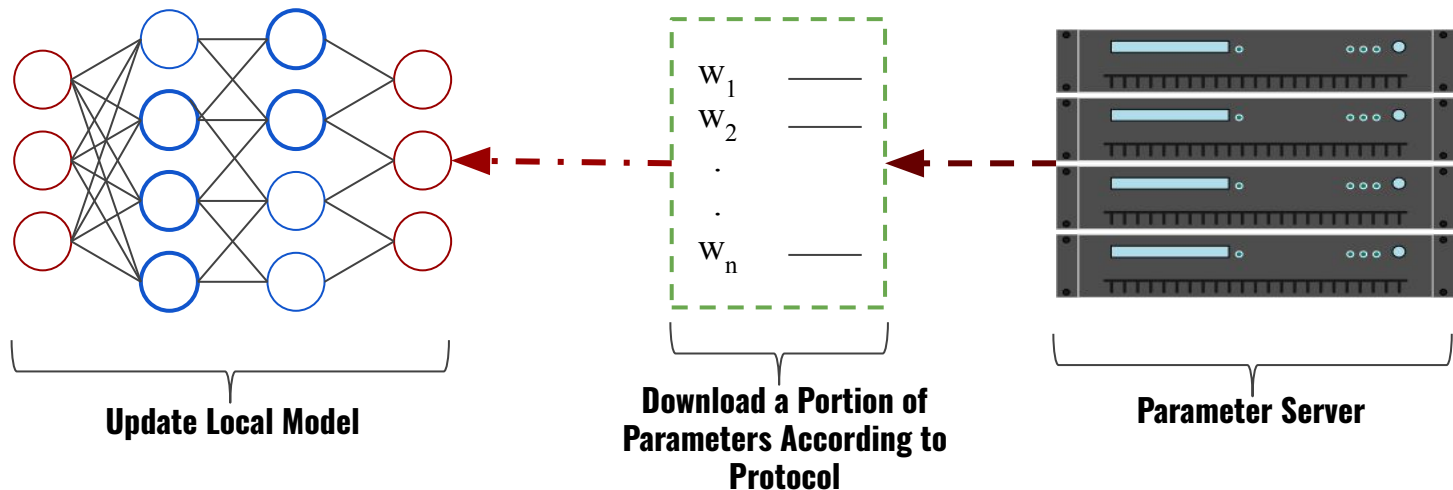
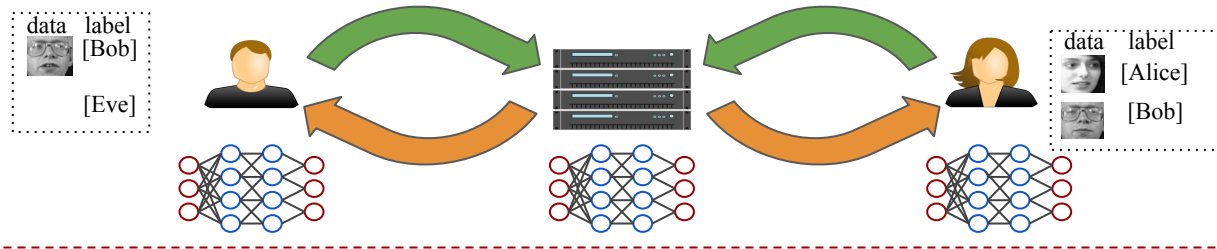
Violating the privacy...



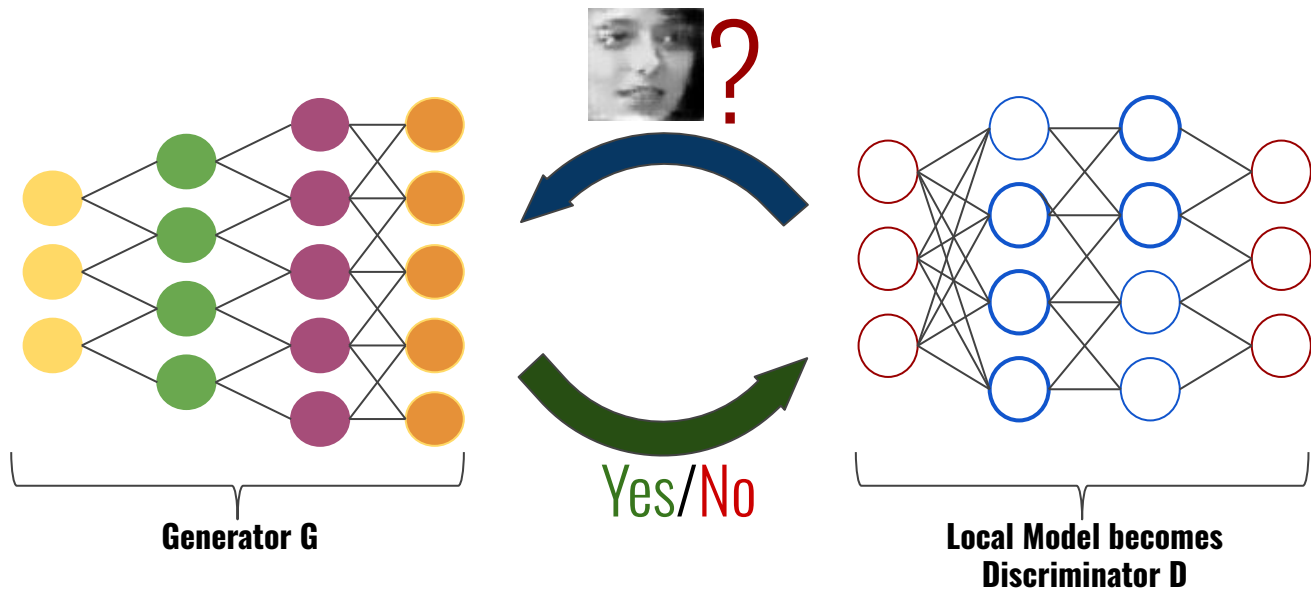
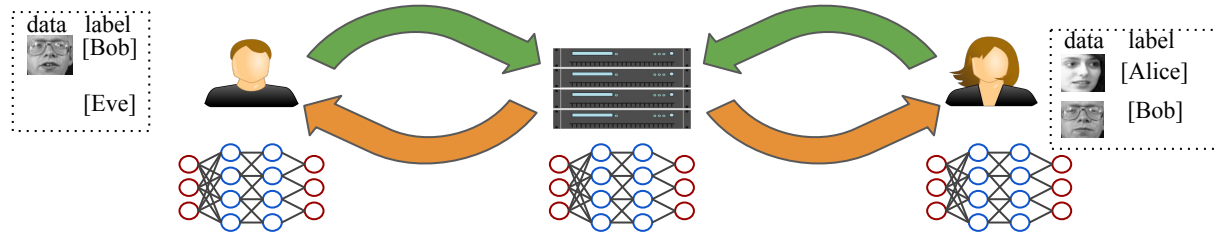
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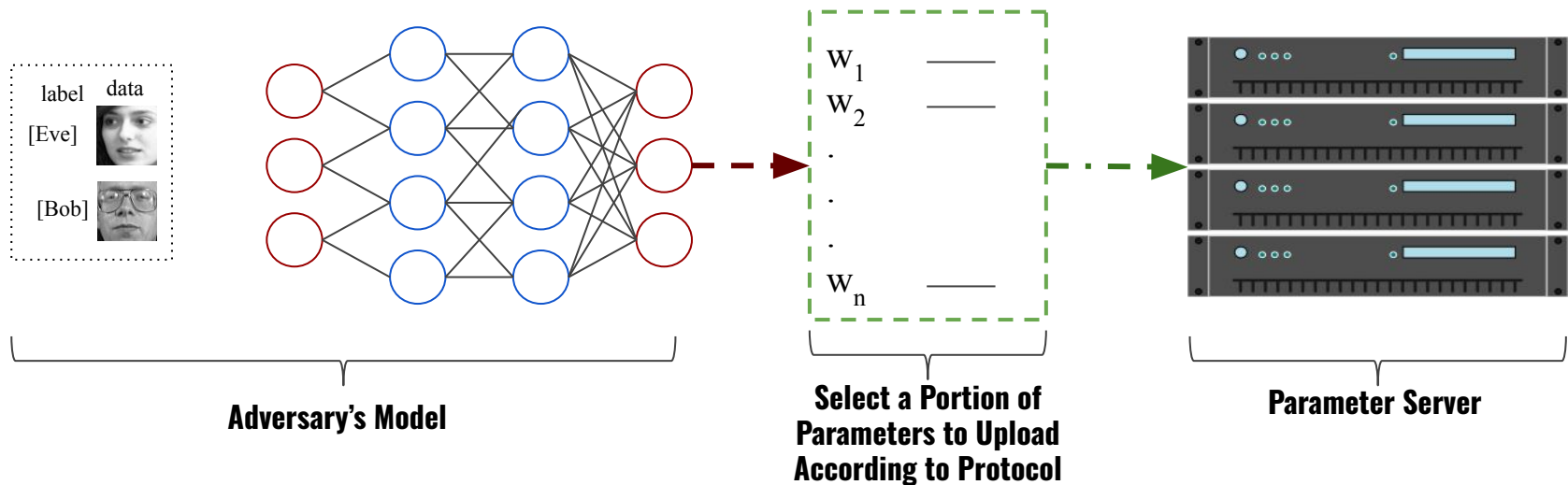
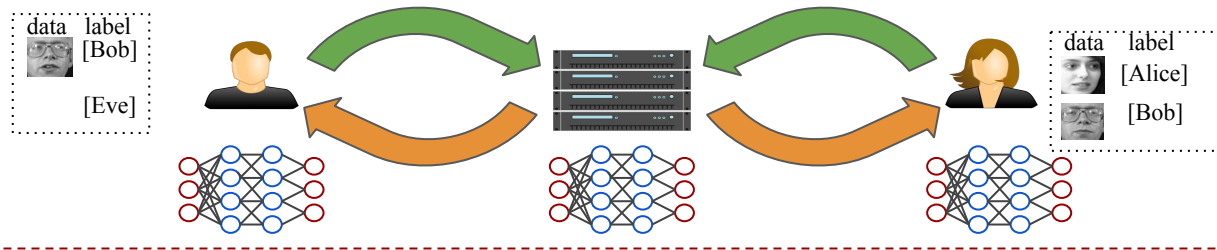
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Experiments without Differential Privacy

Actual Images



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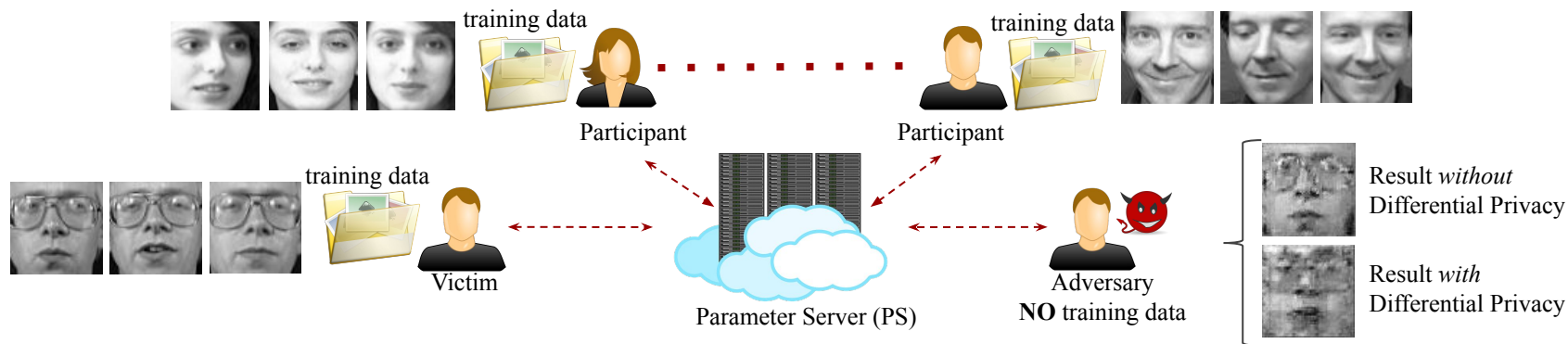


Generated Data



Original vs Generated

Experiments (Adversary has NO data at all)



Reading Material

1. Privacy preserving learning: [Link-1](#), [Link-2](#)
2. Generative Adversarial Networks: [Link-1](#)
3. Information Leakage from collaborative learning: [Link-1](#)