

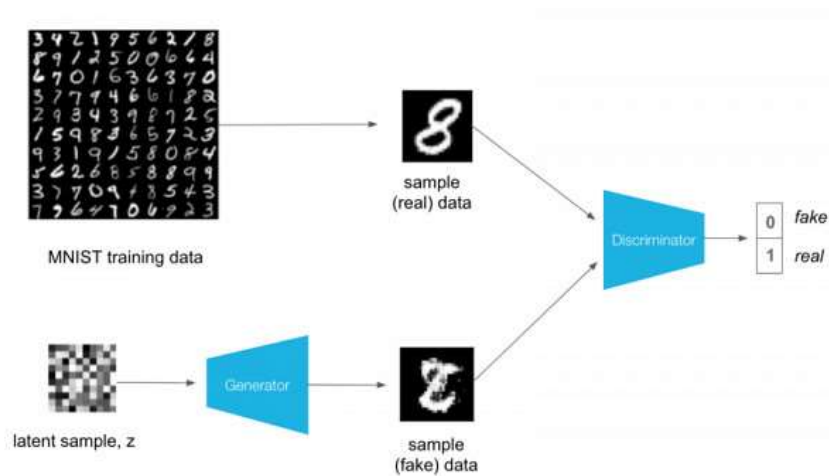


# Neural networks

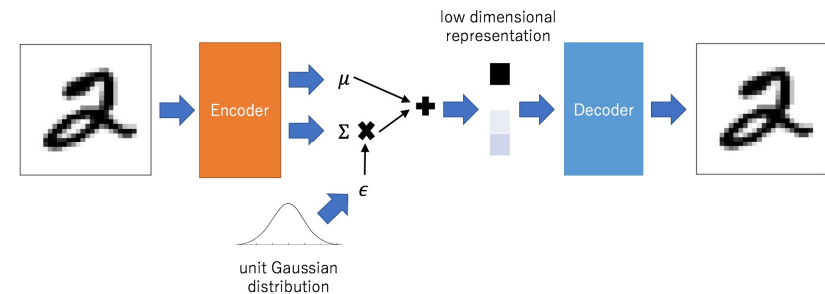
*Generative models*

# Introduction

Create computational models to generate artificial data in a self-supervised manner.



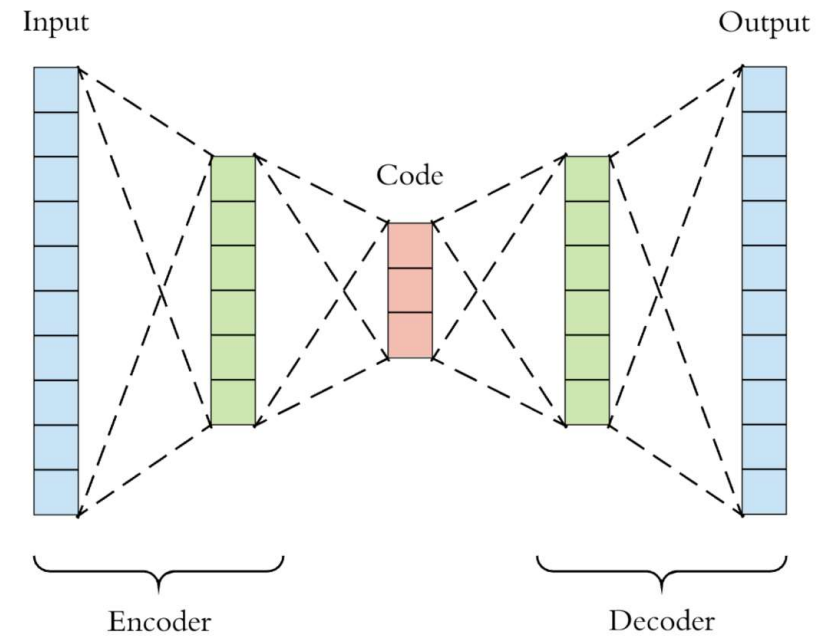
Generative adversarial networks



Variational autoencoders

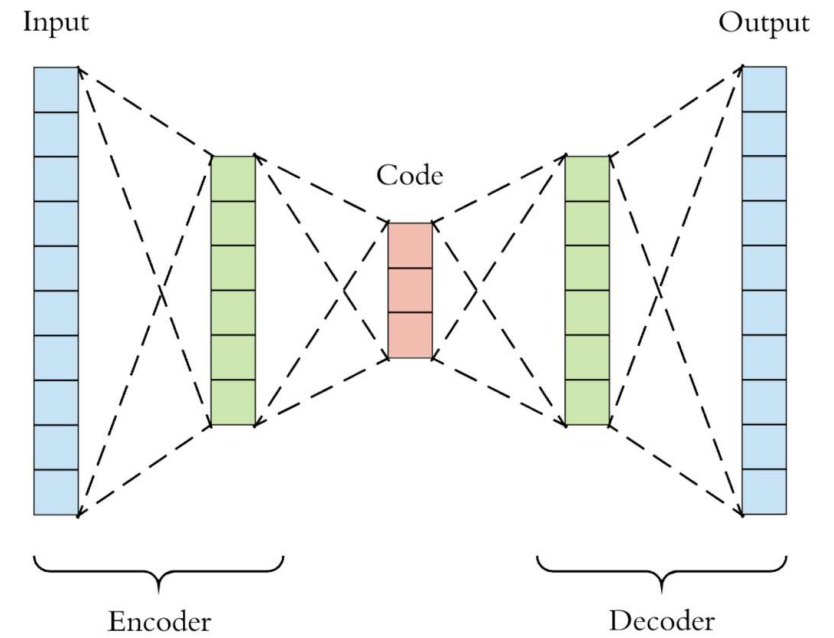
# Auto-encoder

- Encoder: transforms the input into a feature vector
- Decoder: transforms the feature vector into the output
- The input and the output are the same



# Auto-encoder

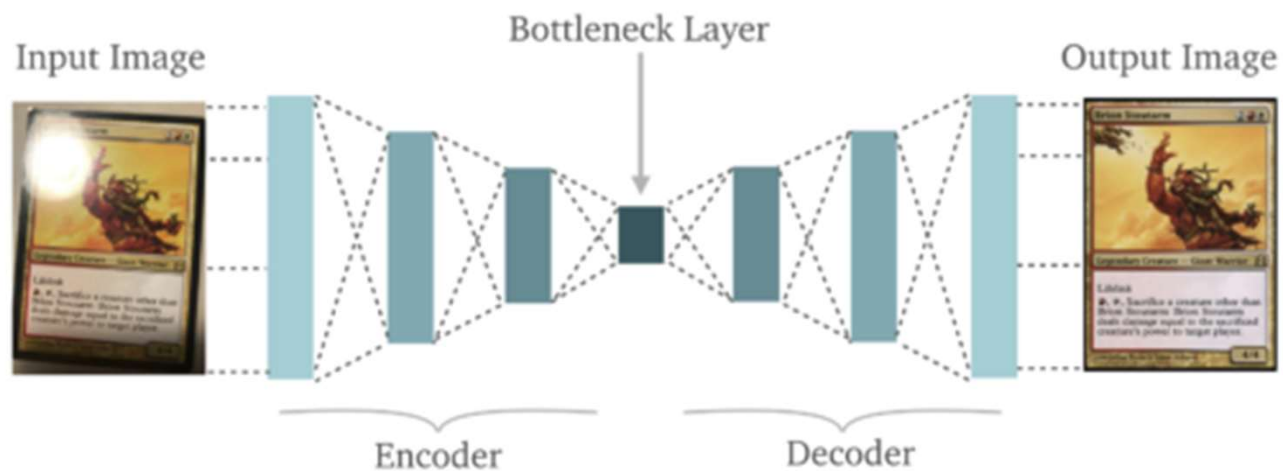
What is this architecture used for?



# Auto-encoder applications

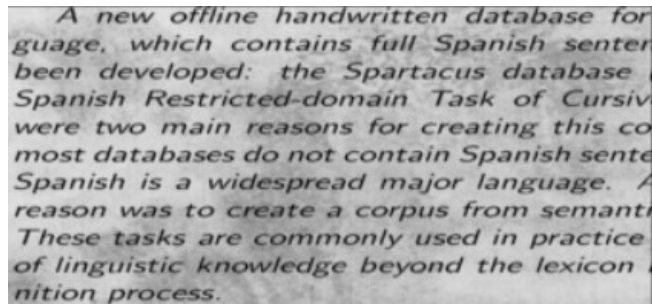
## Applications

- Data compression
- Information correction

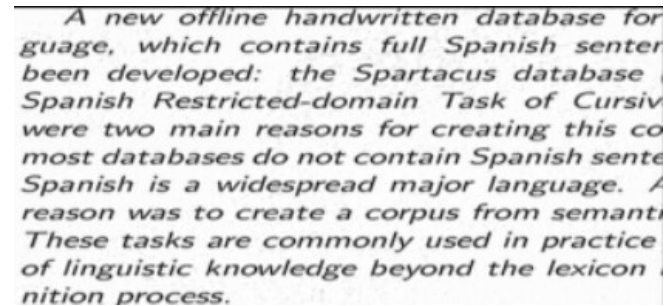


# Auto-encoder applications

## Image denoising

A grayscale image of a handwritten text snippet, heavily degraded with salt-and-pepper noise. The text is in Spanish and discusses a database for Spanish sentence recognition. The noise is distributed across the entire image, making it difficult to read.

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A grayscale image of the same handwritten text snippet as the left image, but with the noise removed. The text is clear and legible, showing the original handwriting and layout. This represents the result of an image denoising process.

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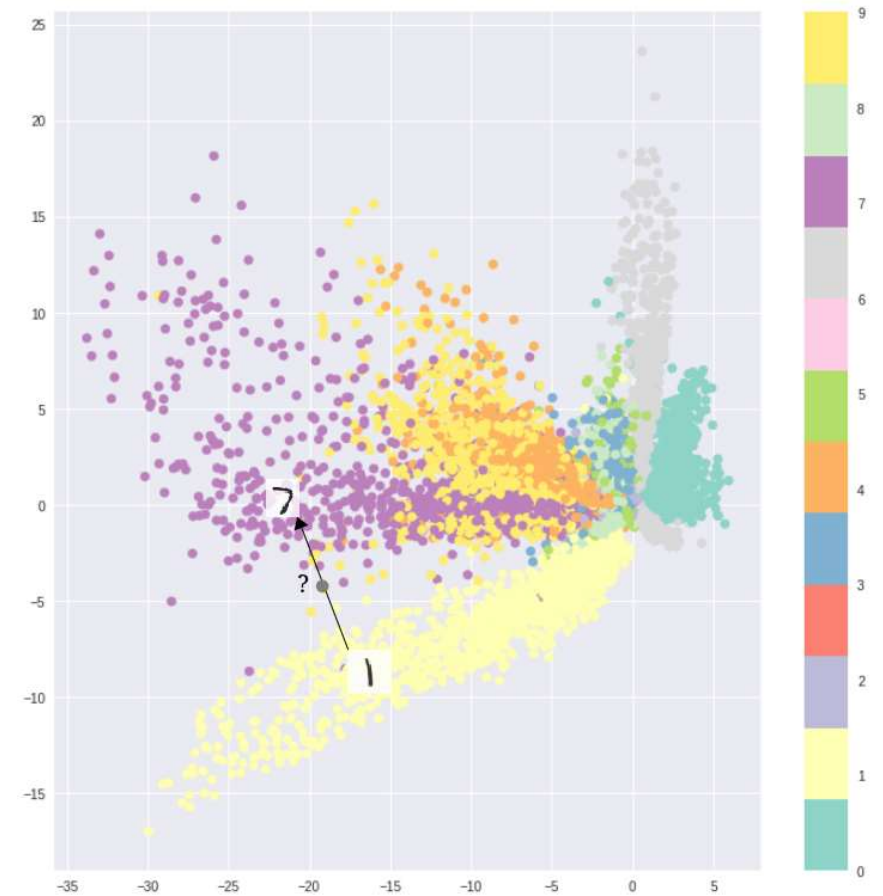
# Autoencoders - Problems

Distribution of feature vectors is not continuous.

Feature vectors are learnt by minimizing the reconstruction error.

Difficult to find a correspondence between the feature space and the data.

Difficult to understand the data distribution because the distribution is not regularized.

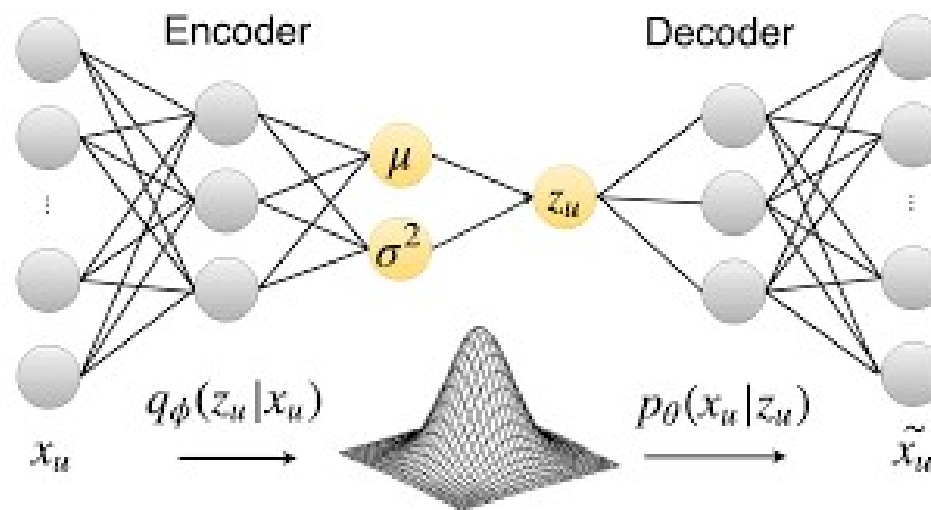


# Variational Autoencoders

Regularize the distribution of feature space: we need a continuous distribution

We can use a known distribution.

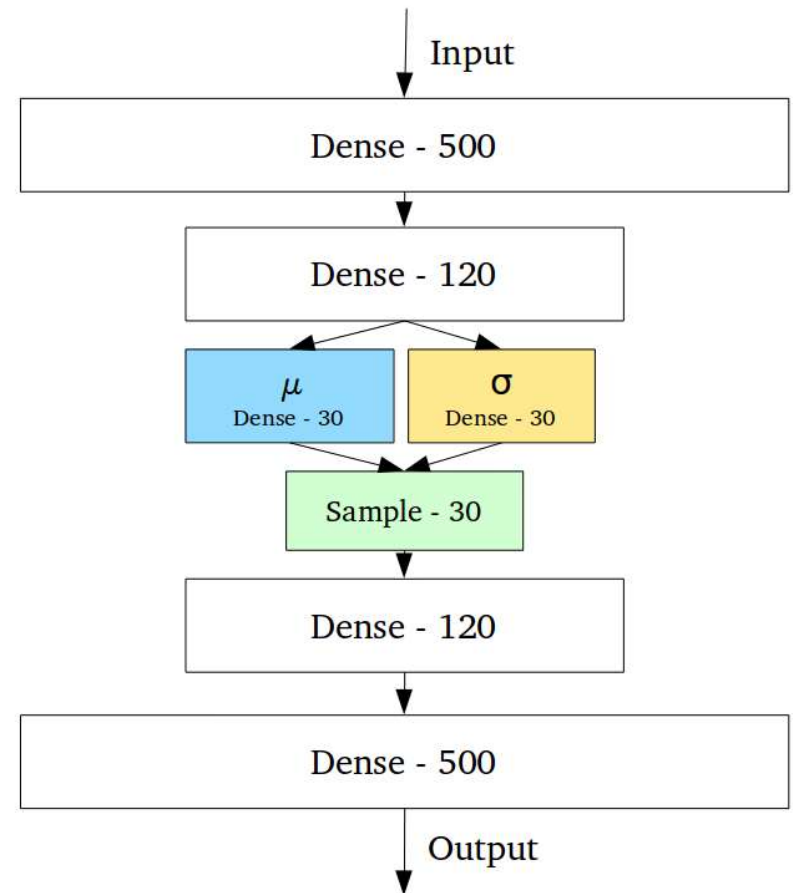
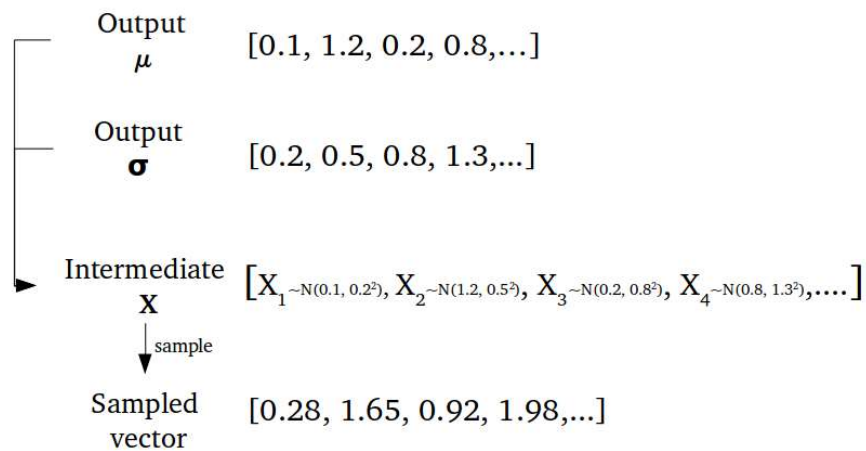
Encoder produces two vectors: mean and standard deviation of the feature space





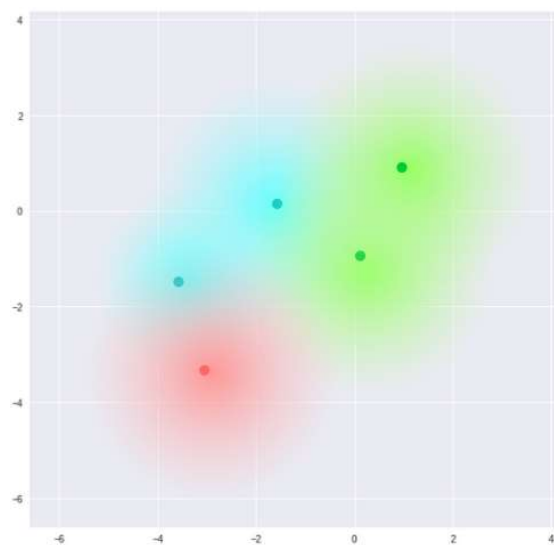
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Each element of  $\mu$  y  $\sigma$  are the mean and standard deviation of a random variable, from which we sample a feature vector

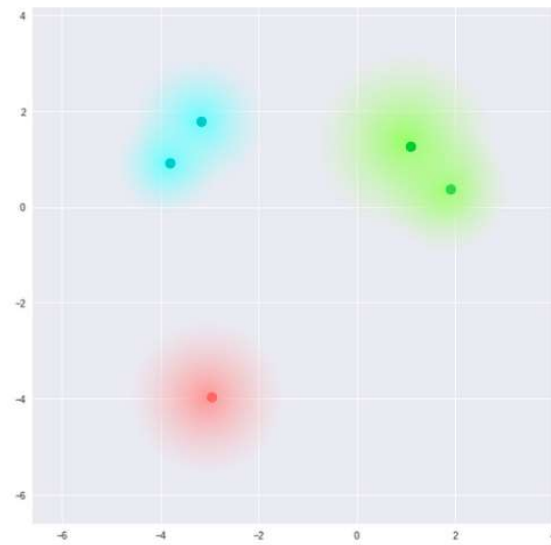


# Variational Autoencoders

Create a continuous embedding space



What we require



What we may inadvertently end up with

# Variational Autoencoders

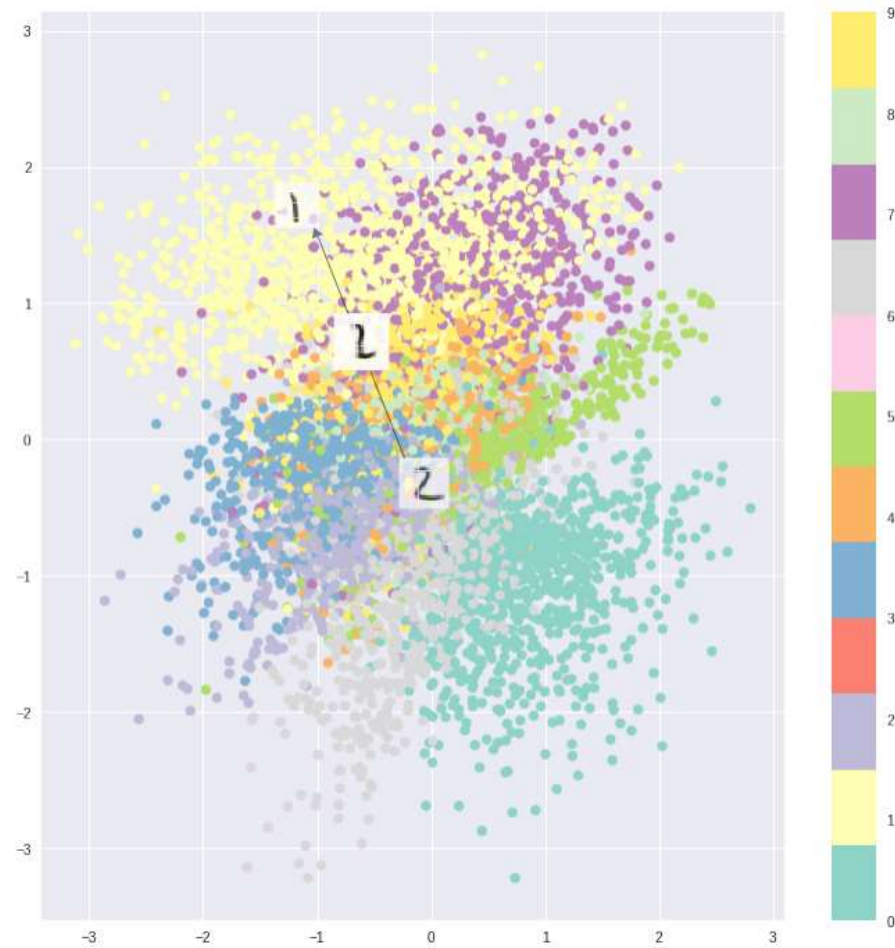
Add a regularizer over the distribution. Kullback-Leibler divergence

$$D_{KL}(P||Q) = \sum_i P(i) \log \frac{P(i)}{Q(i)}$$
$$D_{KL}(P||Q) = \int P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} dx$$

If we use two Gaussian distributions, we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 + \mu_i^2 - \log(\sigma_i) - 1$$

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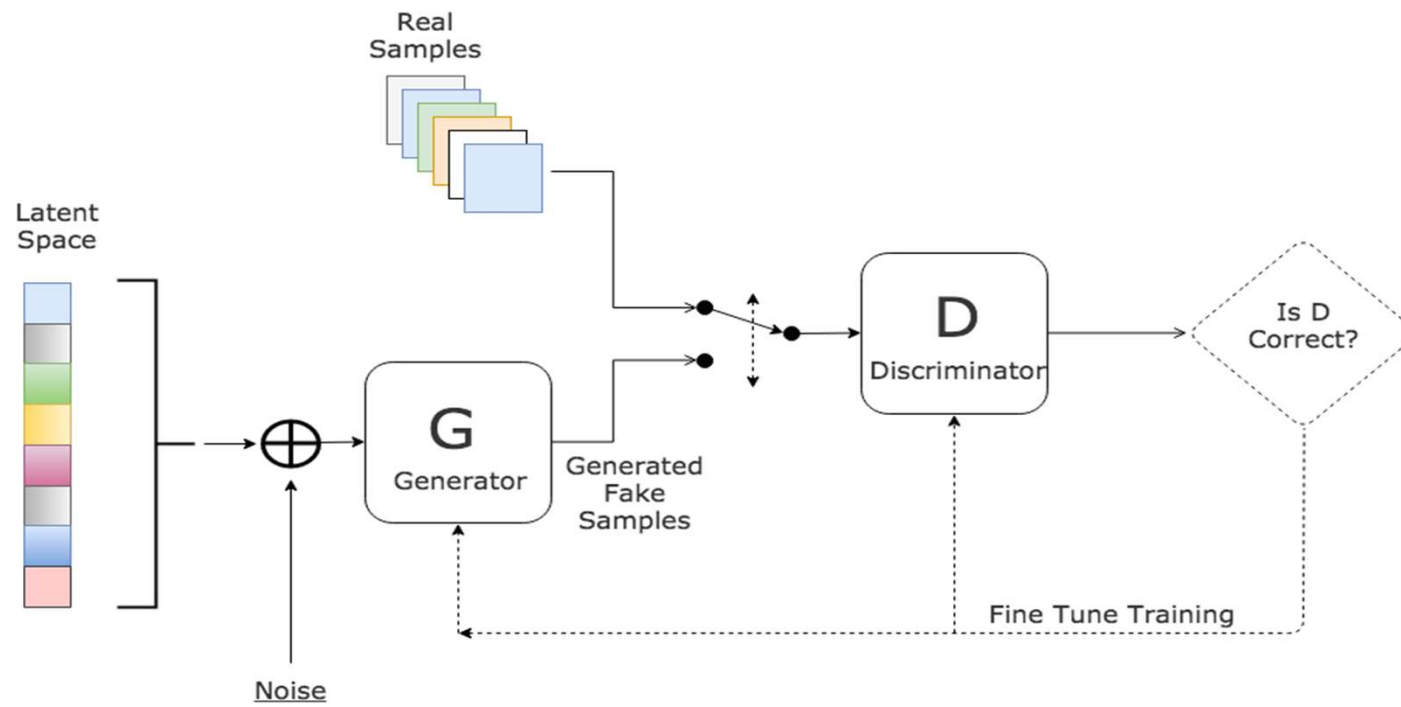


# Neural networks

*Generative  
adversarial networks*

# GAN

## Generative Adversarial Network



# GAN ingredients

- To learn the data distribution, we define a latent variable  $z$ , and a function to compute the data space  $G(z, \theta_g)$ .
- To learn the difference between real data and fake data, another function makes the classification  $D(x, \theta_d)$ .
- Tasks
  - Maximize of assigning a correct class
  - Minimize the capacity of the classifier to label generated data.

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})} [\log D(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{z})} [\log(1 - D(G(\mathbf{z})))]$$

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**Algorithm 1** Minibatch stochastic gradient descent training of generative adversarial nets. The number of steps to apply to the discriminator,  $k$ , is a hyperparameter. We used  $k = 1$ , the least expensive option, in our experiments.

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**for** number of training iterations **do**

**for**  $k$  steps **do**

- Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $\{z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}\}$  from noise prior  $p_g(z)$ .
- Sample minibatch of  $m$  examples  $\{x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$  from data generating distribution  $p_{\text{data}}(x)$ .
- Update the discriminator by ascending its stochastic gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta_d} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ \log D(x^{(i)}) + \log \left( 1 - D(G(z^{(i)})) \right) \right].$$

**end for**

- Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $\{z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}\}$  from noise prior  $p_g(z)$ .
- Update the generator by descending its stochastic gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta_g} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log \left( 1 - D(G(z^{(i)})) \right).$$

**end for**

The gradient-based updates can use any standard gradient-based learning rule. We used momentum in our experiments.

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