



WGAN

- Wasserstein Generative Adversarial Nets



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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.

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:

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

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:

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

end for

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

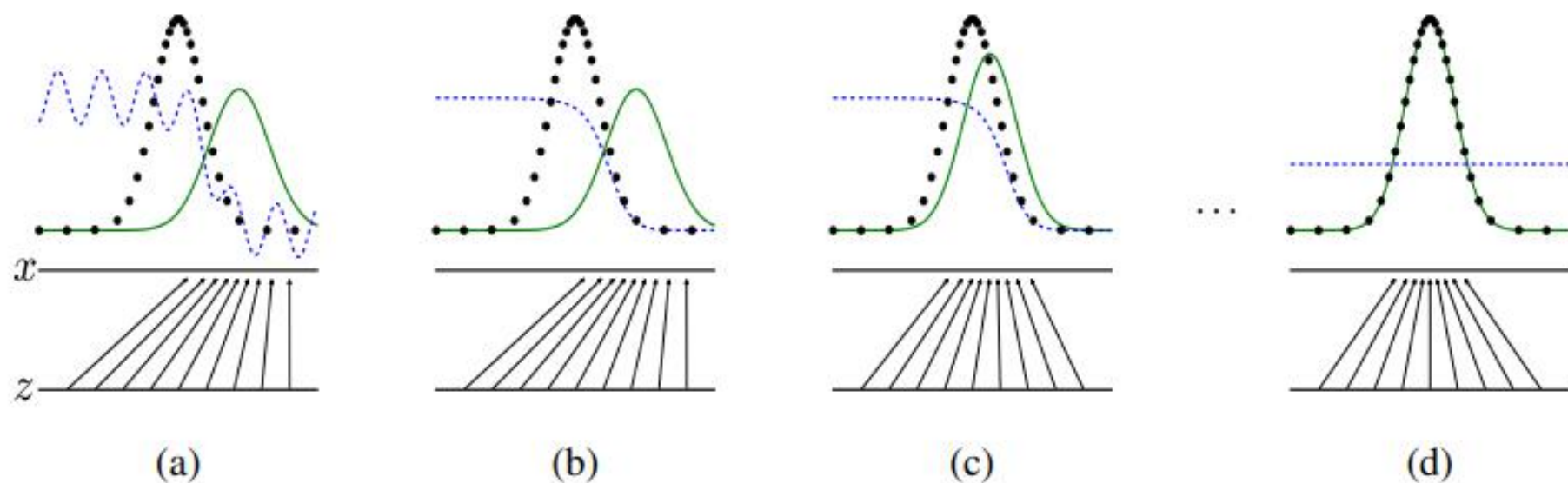
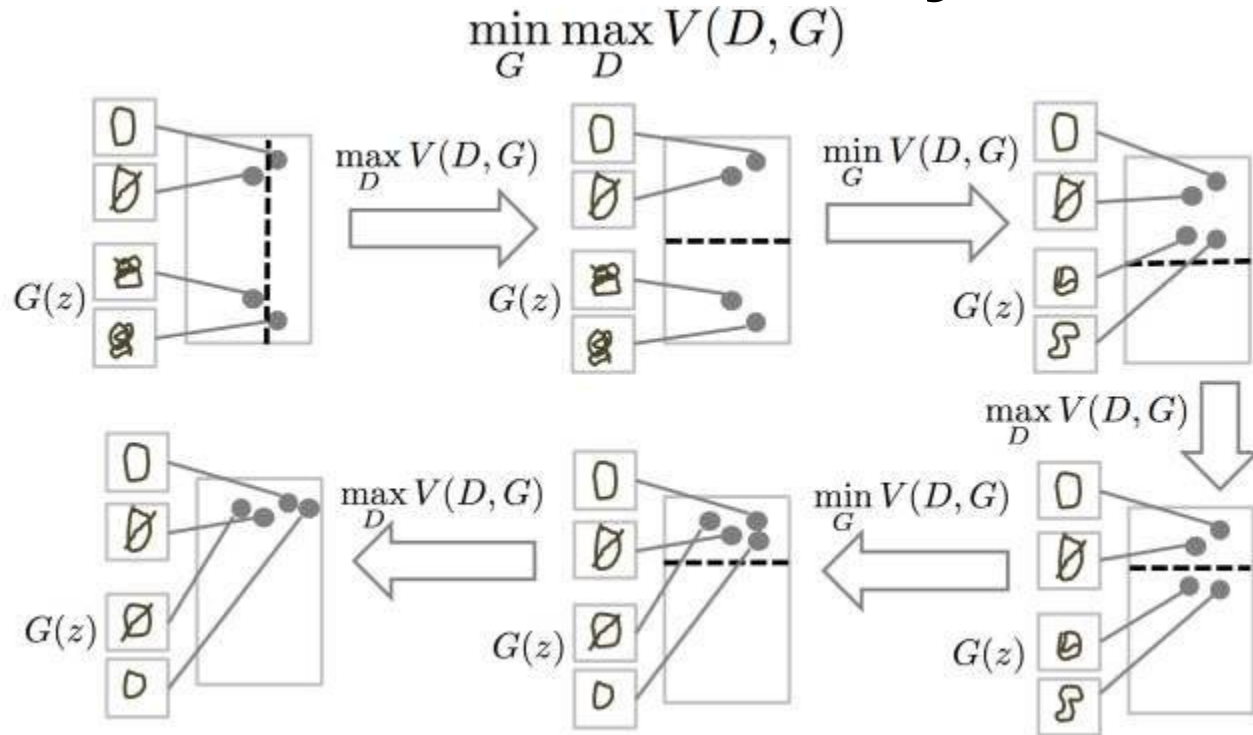


Figure 1: Generative adversarial nets are trained by simultaneously updating the **d**iscriminative distribution (D , blue, dashed line) so that it discriminates between samples from the data generating distribution (black, dotted line) $p_{\mathbf{x}}$ from those of the **g**enerative distribution p_g (G) (green, solid line). The lower horizontal line is the domain from which \mathbf{z} is sampled, in this case uniformly. The horizontal line above is part of the domain of \mathbf{x} . The upward arrows show how the mapping $\mathbf{x} = G(\mathbf{z})$ imposes the non-uniform distribution p_g on transformed samples. G contracts in regions of high density and expands in regions of low density of p_g . (a)

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

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GAN Theory

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$$D_G^*(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})}{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + p_g(\mathbf{x})}$$

Proof. The training criterion for the discriminator D , given any generator G , is to maximize the quantity $V(G, D)$

$$\begin{aligned} V(G, D) &= \int_{\mathbf{x}} p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) \log(D(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\mathbf{z}} p_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{z}) \log(1 - D(g(\mathbf{z}))) d\mathbf{z} \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{x}} p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) \log(D(\mathbf{x})) + p_g(\mathbf{x}) \log(1 - D(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

For any $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0, 0\}$, the function $y \rightarrow a \log(y) + b \log(1 - y)$ achieves its maximum in $[0, 1]$ at $\frac{a}{a+b}$. The discriminator does not need to be defined outside of $\text{Supp}(p_{\text{data}}) \cup \text{Supp}(p_g)$, concluding the proof. \square



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$$\begin{aligned} V(D, G) &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{\text{data}}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))] \\ &= \int_x p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) dx + \int_z p_z(z) \log(1 - D(G(z))) dz \\ &\quad x = G(z) \Rightarrow z = G^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow dz = (G^{-1})'(x) dx \\ &\quad \Rightarrow p_g(x) = p_z(G^{-1}(x)) (G^{-1})'(x) \\ &= \int_x p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) dx + \int_x p_z(G^{-1}(x)) \log(1 - D(x)) (G^{-1})'(x) dx \\ &= \int_x p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) dx + \int_x p_g(x) \log(1 - D(x)) dx \\ &= \int_x p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) + p_g(x) \log(1 - D(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$



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$$\max_D V(D, G) = \max_D \int_{\mathbf{x}} p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) + p_g(x) \log(1 - D(x)) dx$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial D(x)} (p_{\text{data}}(x) \log(D(x)) + p_g(x) \log(1 - D(x))) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_{\text{data}}(x)}{D(x)} - \frac{p_g(x)}{1 - D(x)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow D(x) = \frac{p_{\text{data}}(x)}{p_{\text{data}}(x) + p_g(x)}$$

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Note that the training objective for D can be interpreted as maximizing the log-likelihood for estimating the conditional probability $P(Y = y|\mathbf{x})$, where Y indicates whether \mathbf{x} comes from p_{data} (with $y = 1$) or from p_g (with $y = 0$). The minimax game in Eq. 1 can now be reformulated as:

$$\begin{aligned} C(G) &= \max_D V(G, D) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} [\log D_G^*(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p_z} [\log(1 - D_G^*(G(\mathbf{z})))] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} [\log D_G^*(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_g} [\log(1 - D_G^*(\mathbf{x}))] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} \left[\log \frac{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})}{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + p_g(\mathbf{x})} \right] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_g} \left[\log \frac{p_g(\mathbf{x})}{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + p_g(\mathbf{x})} \right] \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

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Theorem 1. *The global minimum of the virtual training criterion $C(G)$ is achieved if and only if $p_g = p_{\text{data}}$. At that point, $C(G)$ achieves the value $-\log 4$.*

Proof. For $p_g = p_{\text{data}}$, $D_G^*(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2}$, (consider Eq. 2). Hence, by inspecting Eq. 4 at $D_G^*(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2}$, we find $C(G) = \log \frac{1}{2} + \log \frac{1}{2} = -\log 4$. To see that this is the best possible value of $C(G)$, reached only for $p_g = p_{\text{data}}$, observe that

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} [-\log 2] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_g} [-\log 2] = -\log 4$$

and that by subtracting this expression from $C(G) = V(D_G^*, G)$, we obtain:

$$C(G) = -\log(4) + KL \left(p_{\text{data}} \left\| \frac{p_{\text{data}} + p_g}{2} \right\| \right) + KL \left(p_g \left\| \frac{p_{\text{data}} + p_g}{2} \right\| \right) \quad (5)$$

where KL is the Kullback–Leibler divergence. We recognize in the previous expression the Jensen–Shannon divergence between the model’s distribution and the data generating process:

$$C(G) = -\log(4) + 2 \cdot JSD(p_{\text{data}} \| p_g) \quad (6)$$

Since the Jensen–Shannon divergence between two distributions is always non-negative, and zero iff they are equal, we have shown that $C^* = -\log(4)$ is the global minimum of $C(G)$ and that the only solution is $p_g = p_{\text{data}}$, i.e., the generative model perfectly replicating the data distribution. \square



$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_x p_{data}(x) \log(D_G^*(x)) + p_g(x) \log(1 - D_G^*(x)) dx \\ &= \int_x p_{data}(x) \log\left(\frac{p_{data}(x)}{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}\right) + p_g(x) \log\left(\frac{p_g(x)}{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}\right) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_x p_{data}(x) \log\left(\frac{p_{data}(x)}{\frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}}\right) + p_g(x) \log\left(\frac{p_g(x)}{\frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}}\right) dx - \log(4) \\ &= KL[p_{data}(x) || \frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}] + KL[p_g(x) || \frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}] - \log(4) \end{aligned}$$

$$C(G) = \underbrace{KL[p_{data}(x) || \frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}]}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{KL[p_g(x) || \frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2}]}_{\geq 0} - \log(4)$$

$$\min_G C(G) = 0 + 0 - \log(4) = -\log(4)$$

$$p_{data}(x) = \frac{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad p_{data}(x) = p_g(x)$$



GAN Theory

Proposition 2. *If G and D have enough capacity, and at each step of Algorithm 1, the discriminator is allowed to reach its optimum given G , and p_g is updated so as to improve the criterion*

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{data}} [\log D_G^*(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_g} [\log(1 - D_G^*(\mathbf{x}))]$$

then p_g converges to p_{data}

Proof. Consider $V(G, D) = U(p_g, D)$ as a function of p_g as done in the above criterion. Note that $U(p_g, D)$ is convex in p_g . The subderivatives of a supremum of convex functions include the derivative of the function at the point where the maximum is attained. In other words, if $f(x) = \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} f_{\alpha}(x)$ and $f_{\alpha}(x)$ is convex in x for every α , then $\partial f_{\beta}(x) \in \partial f$ if $\beta = \arg \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} f_{\alpha}(x)$. This is equivalent to computing a gradient descent update for p_g at the optimal D given the corresponding G . $\sup_D U(p_g, D)$ is convex in p_g with a unique global optima as proven in Thm 1, therefore with sufficiently small updates of p_g , p_g converges to p_x , concluding the proof. \square

Limits of GAN

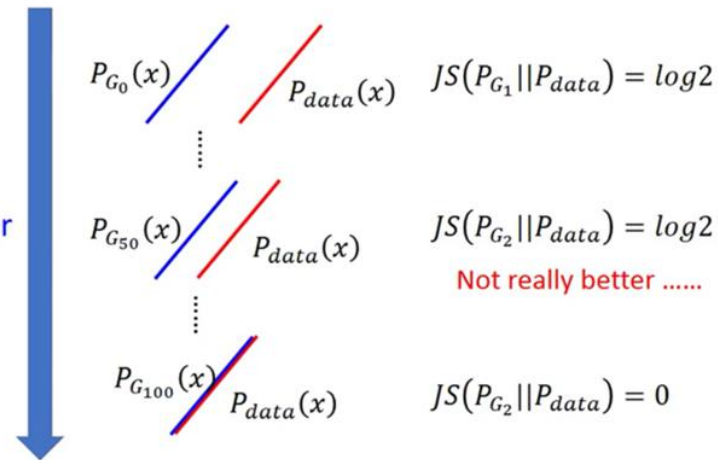
$$C(G) = 2JSD(P_{data} || P_g) - 2\log 2$$

$$JSD(P_1 || P_2) = \frac{1}{2}KL(P_1 || \frac{P_1 + P_2}{2}) + \frac{1}{2}KL(P_2 || \frac{P_1 + P_2}{2})$$

Evaluation

$$\log \frac{P_2}{\frac{1}{2}(P_2 + 0)} = \log 2$$

Better





Limits of GAN

$$\begin{aligned} KL(P_g || P_r) &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \left[\log \frac{P_g(x)}{P_r(x)} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \left[\log \frac{P_g(x)/(P_r(x) + P_g(x))}{P_r(x)/(P_r(x) + P_g(x))} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \left[\log \frac{1 - D^*(x)}{D^*(x)} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \log[1 - D^*(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \log D^*(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$C(G) = 2JSD(P_{data} | P_g) - 2\log 2 = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim P_{data}} [\log D_G^*(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim P_g} [\log(1 - D_G^*(\mathbf{x}))]$$

GAN's
-log(D) trick

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} [-\log D^*(x)] &= KL(P_g || P_r) - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} \log[1 - D^*(x)] \\ &= KL(P_g || P_r) - 2JS(P_r || P_g) + 2\log 2 + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r} [\log D^*(x)] \end{aligned}$$

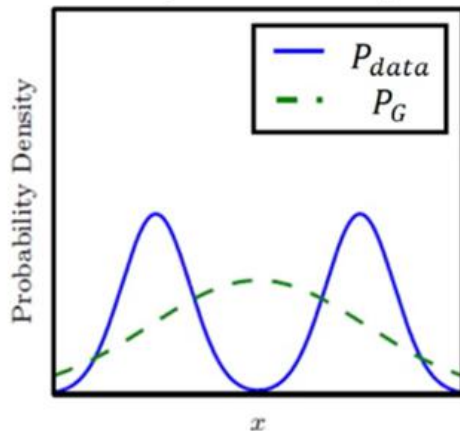
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- 当 $P_g(x) \rightarrow 0$ 而 $P_r(x) \rightarrow 1$ 时, $P_g(x) \log \frac{P_g(x)}{P_r(x)} \rightarrow 0$,
- 当 $P_g(x) \rightarrow 1$ 而 $P_r(x) \rightarrow 0$ 时, $P_g(x) \log \frac{P_g(x)}{P_r(x)} \rightarrow +\infty$

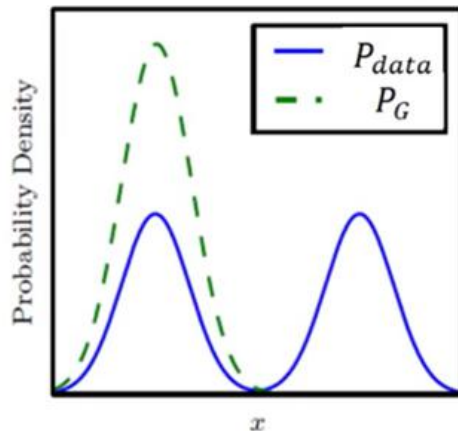
Flaw in Optimization?

$$KL = \int P_{data} \log \frac{P_{data}}{P_G} dx$$

$$\text{Reverse KL} = \int P_G \log \frac{P_G}{P_{data}} dx$$

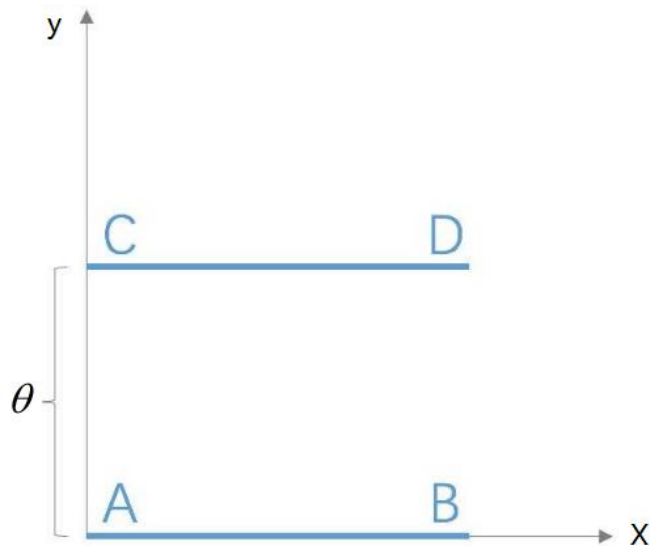


Maximum likelihood
(minimize $KL(P_{data} || P_G)$)



Minimize $KL(P_G || P_{data})$
(reverse KL)

Wasserstein GAN

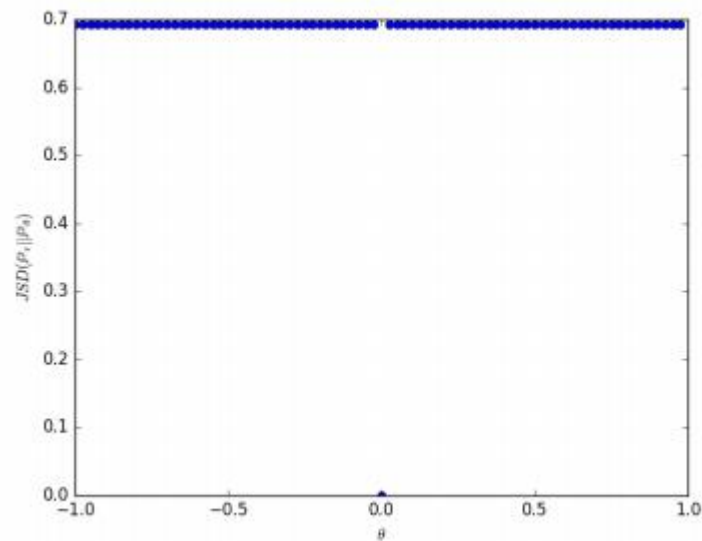
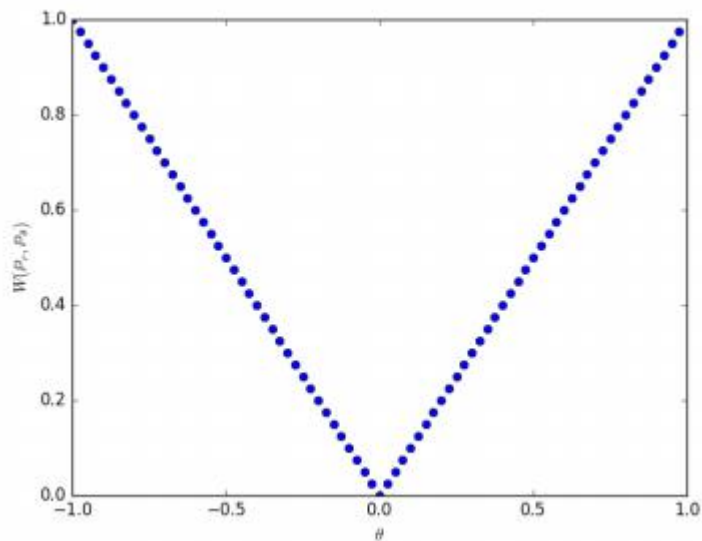


- $W(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_\theta) = |\theta|,$
- $JS(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_\theta) = \begin{cases} \log 2 & \text{if } \theta \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta = 0, \end{cases}$
- $KL(\mathbb{P}_\theta \| \mathbb{P}_0) = KL(\mathbb{P}_0 \| \mathbb{P}_\theta) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \theta \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta = 0, \end{cases}$

Wasserstein GAN

The *Earth-Mover* (EM) distance or Wasserstein-1

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Theorem 1. Let \mathbb{P}_r be a fixed distribution over \mathcal{X} . Let Z be a random variable (e.g Gaussian) over another space \mathcal{Z} . Let $g : \mathcal{Z} \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ be a function, that will be denoted $g_\theta(z)$ with z the first coordinate and θ the second. Let \mathbb{P}_θ denote the distribution of $g_\theta(Z)$. Then,

1. If g is continuous in θ , so is $W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$.
2. If g is locally Lipschitz and satisfies regularity assumption 1, then $W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$ is continuous everywhere, and differentiable almost everywhere.
3. Statements 1-2 are false for the Jensen-Shannon divergence $JS(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$ and all the KLs.



Wasserstein GAN

$$W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta) = \sup_{\|f\|_L \leq 1} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}_r}[f(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}_\theta}[f(x)]$$

$$K \cdot W(P_r, P_g) \approx \max_{\|f_\omega\|_L \leq K} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[f_\omega(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g}[f_\omega(x)]$$

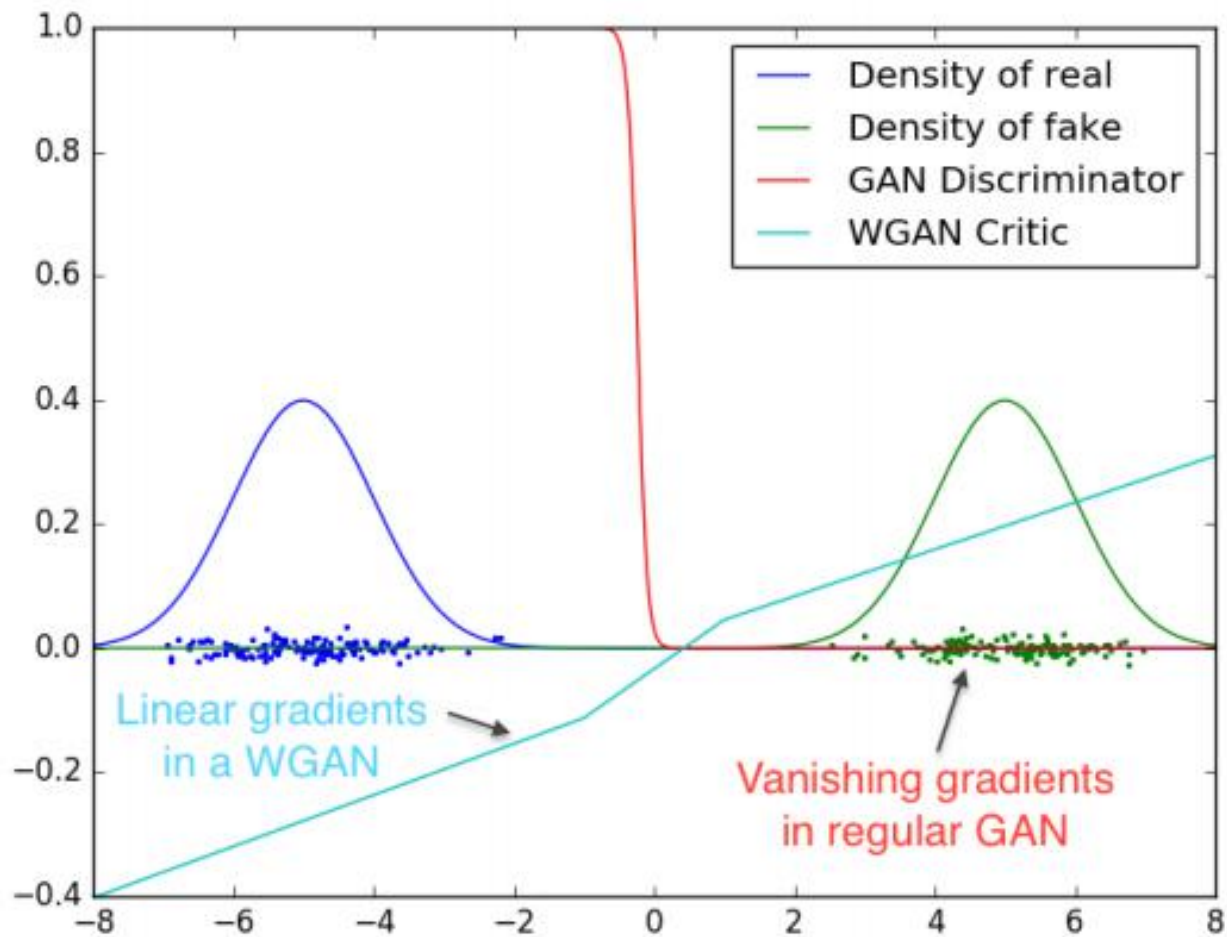
$$\max_{w \in \mathcal{W}} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}_r}[f_w(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[f_w(g_\theta(z))]$$

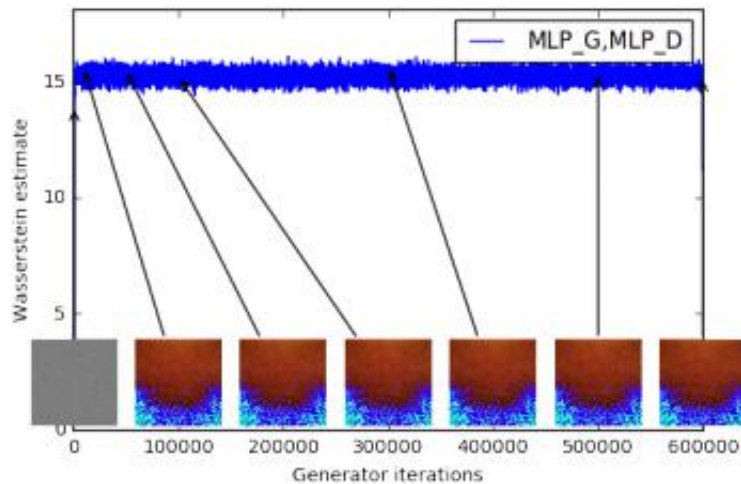
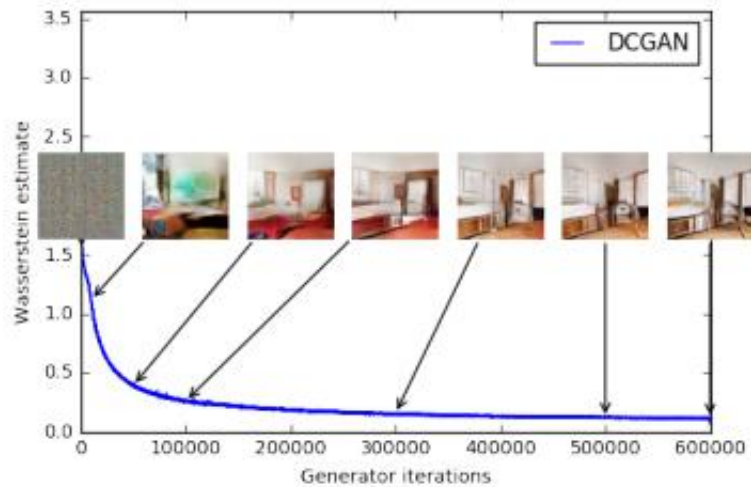
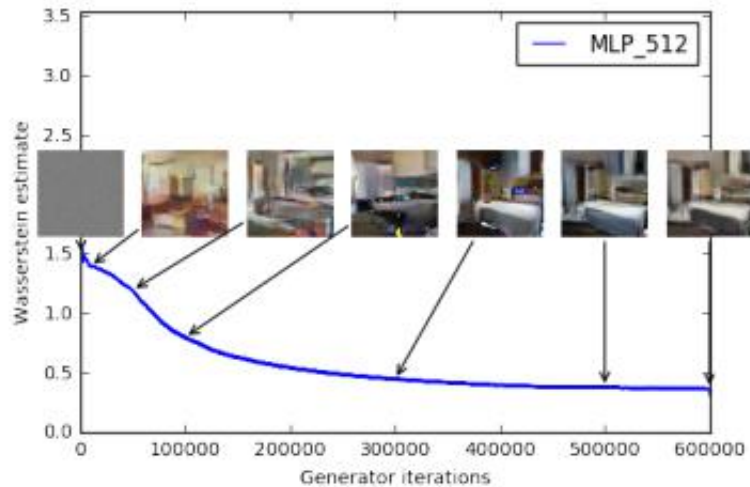
Algorithm 1 WGAN, our proposed algorithm. All experiments in the paper used the default values $\alpha = 0.00005$, $c = 0.01$, $m = 64$, $n_{\text{critic}} = 5$.

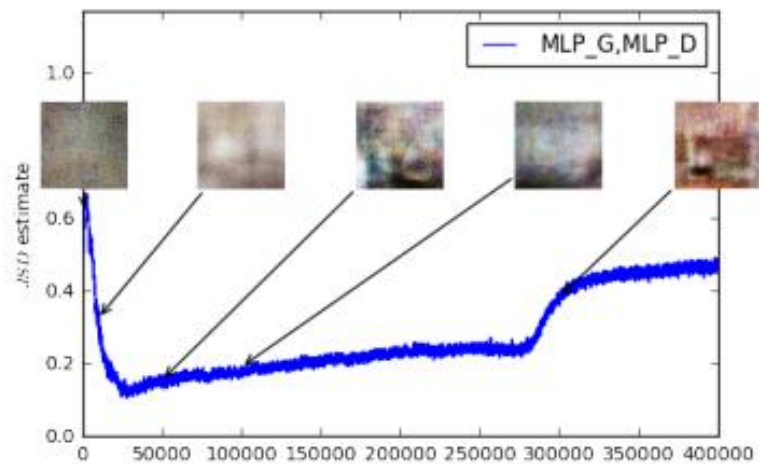
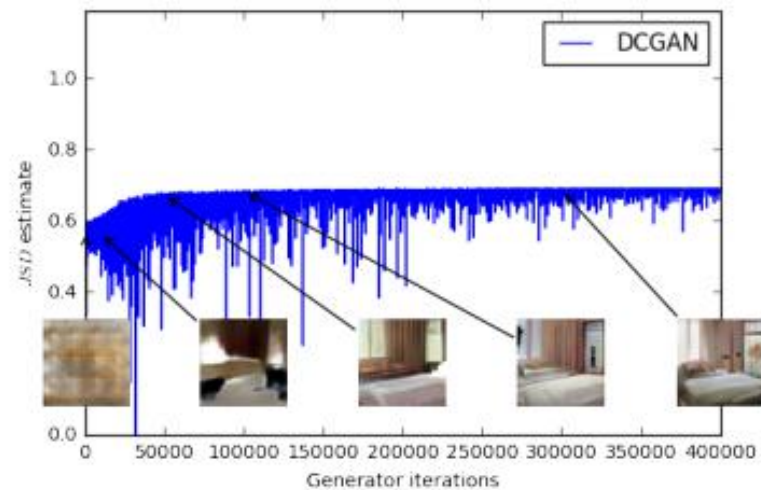
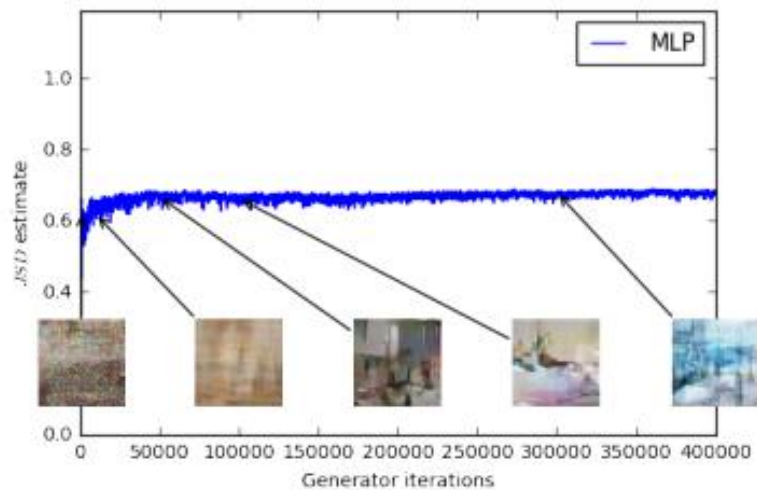
Require: : α , the learning rate. c , the clipping parameter. m , the batch size. n_{critic} , the number of iterations of the critic per generator iteration.

Require: : w_0 , initial critic parameters. θ_0 , initial generator's parameters.

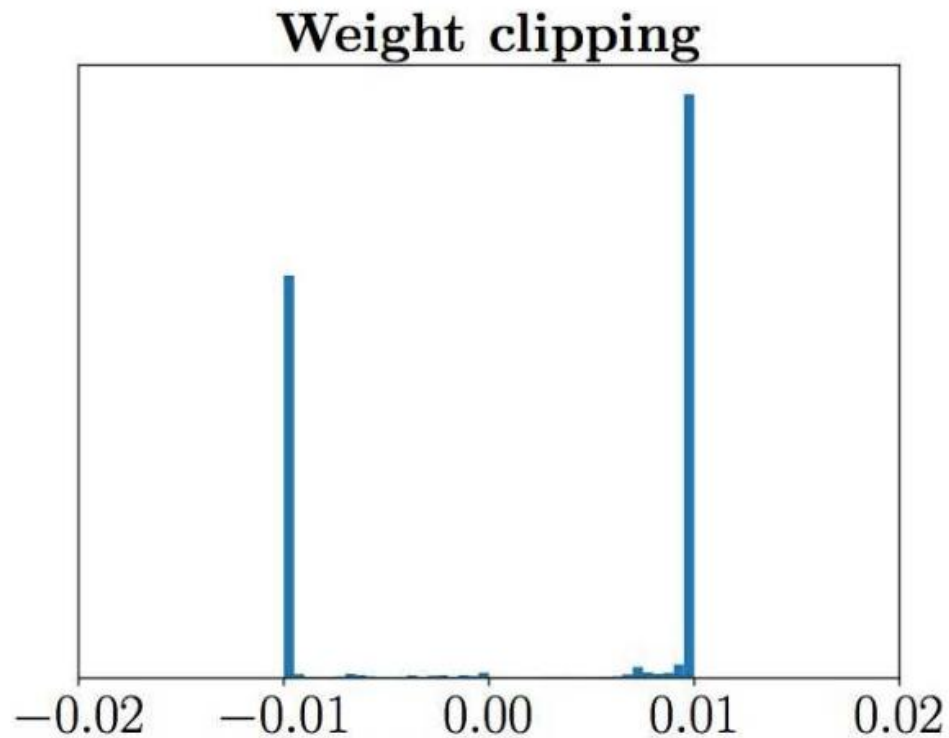
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1: while  $\theta$  has not converged do
2:   for  $t = 0, \dots, n_{\text{critic}}$  do
3:     Sample  $\{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim \mathbb{P}_r$  a batch from the real data.
4:     Sample  $\{z^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim p(z)$  a batch of prior samples.
5:      $g_w \leftarrow \nabla_w \left[ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(x^{(i)}) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(g_\theta(z^{(i)})) \right]$ 
6:      $w \leftarrow w + \alpha \cdot \text{RMSPProp}(w, g_w)$ 
7:      $w \leftarrow \text{clip}(w, -c, c)$ 
8:   end for
9:   Sample  $\{z^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim p(z)$  a batch of prior samples.
10:   $g_\theta \leftarrow -\nabla_\theta \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(g_\theta(z^{(i)}))$ 
11:   $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \alpha \cdot \text{RMSPProp}(\theta, g_\theta)$ 
12: end while
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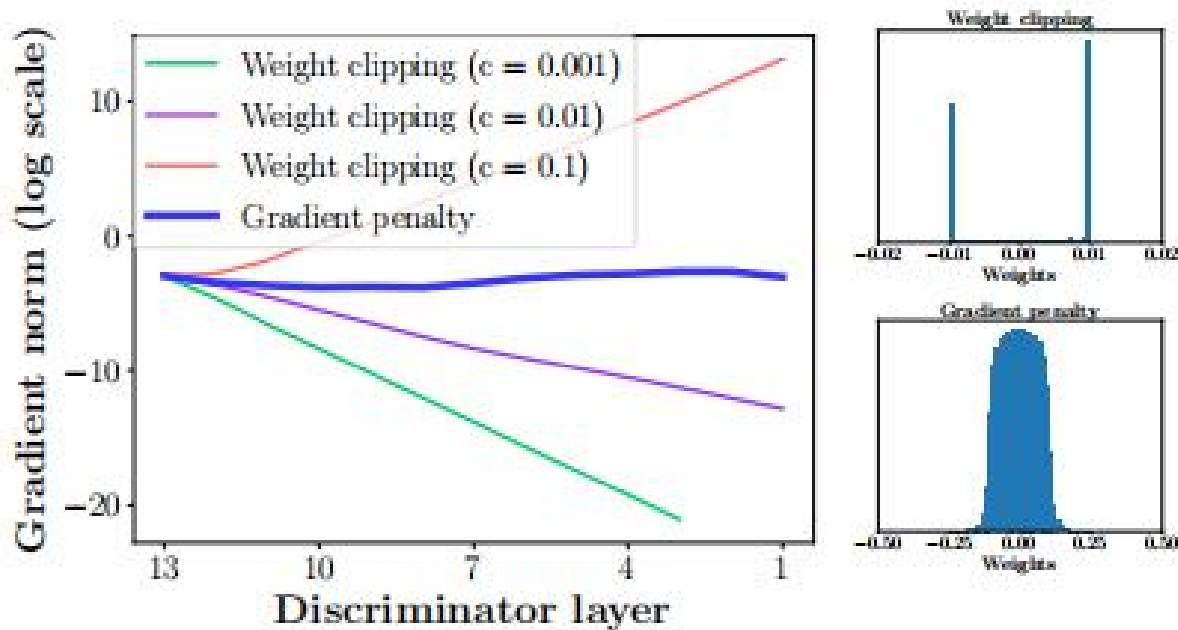




WGAN-GP



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Algorithm 1 WGAN with gradient penalty. We use default values of $\lambda = 10$, $n_{\text{critic}} = 5$, $\alpha = 0.0001$, $\beta_1 = 0$, $\beta_2 = 0.9$.

Require: The gradient penalty coefficient λ , the number of critic iterations per generator iteration n_{critic} , the batch size m , Adam hyperparameters α, β_1, β_2 .

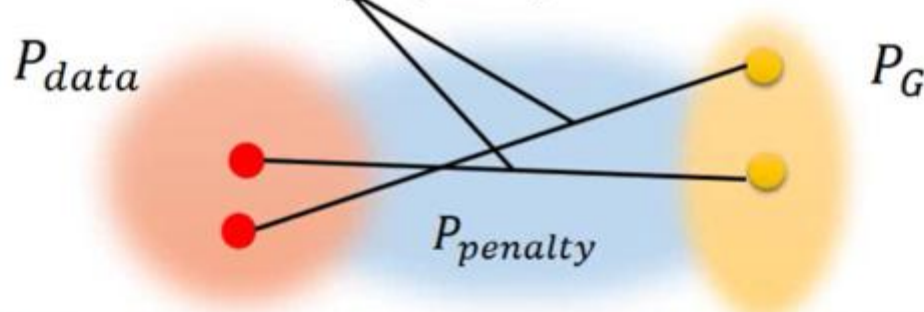
Require: initial critic parameters w_0 , initial generator parameters θ_0 .

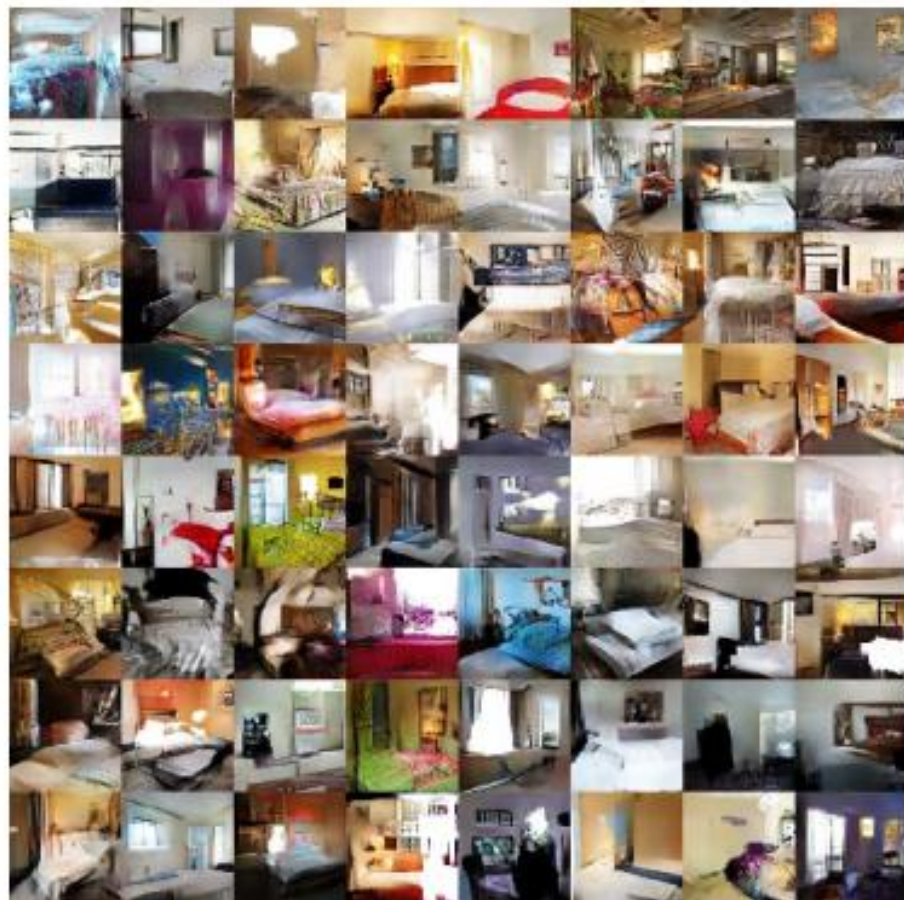
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1: while  $\theta$  has not converged do
2:   for  $t = 1, \dots, n_{\text{critic}}$  do
3:     for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  do
4:       Sample real data  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbb{P}_r$ , latent variable  $\mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z})$ , a random number  $\epsilon \sim U[0, 1]$ .
5:        $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \leftarrow G_{\theta}(\mathbf{z})$ 
6:        $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \leftarrow \epsilon \mathbf{x} + (1 - \epsilon) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ 
7:        $L^{(i)} \leftarrow D_w(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - D_w(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda(\|\nabla_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} D_w(\hat{\mathbf{x}})\|_2 - 1)^2$ 
8:     end for
9:      $w \leftarrow \text{Adam}(\nabla_w \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m L^{(i)}, w, \alpha, \beta_1, \beta_2)$ 
10:  end for
11:  Sample a batch of latent variables  $\{\mathbf{z}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim p(\mathbf{z})$ .
12:   $\theta \leftarrow \text{Adam}(\nabla_{\theta} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m -D_w(G_{\theta}(\mathbf{z})), \theta, \alpha, \beta_1, \beta_2)$ 
13: end while
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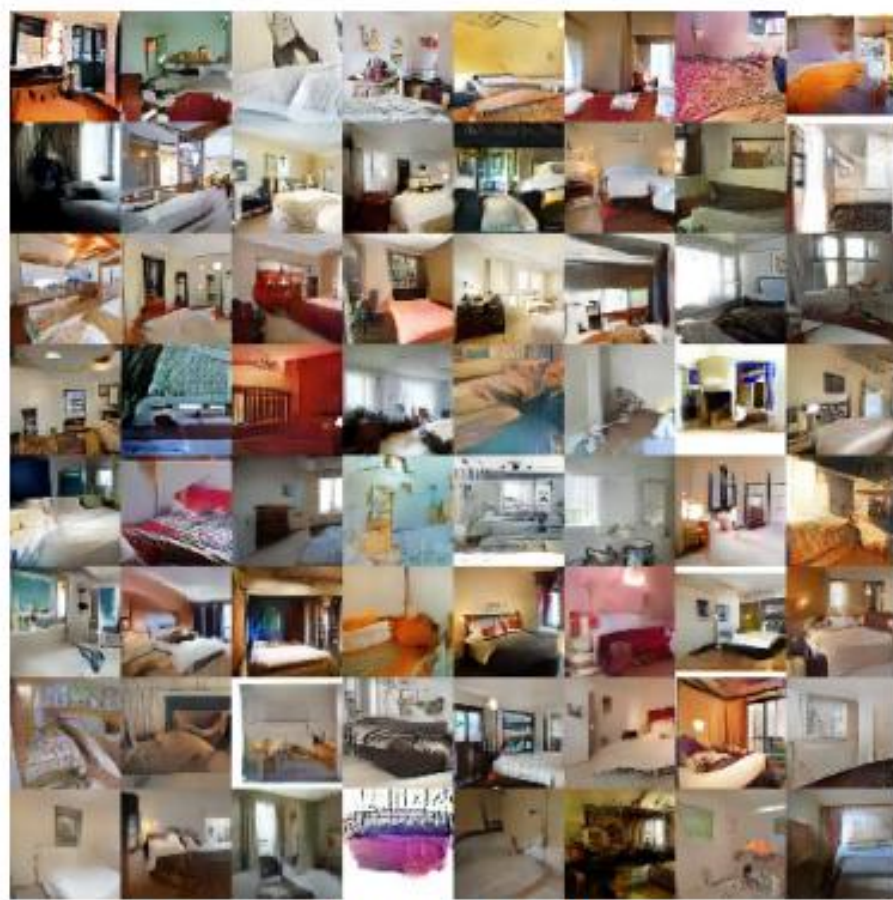
$$L = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \sim \mathbb{P}_g} [D(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbb{P}_r} [D(\mathbf{x})]}_{\text{Original critic loss}} + \underbrace{\lambda \mathbb{E}_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} \sim \mathbb{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}} [(\|\nabla_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} D(\hat{\mathbf{x}})\|_2 - 1)^2]}_{\text{Our gradient penalty}}.$$

$$W(P_{data}, P_G) \approx \max_D \{ E_{x \sim P_{data}} [D(x)] - E_{x \sim P_G} [D(x)] - \lambda E_{x \sim P_{penalty}} [\max(0, \|\nabla_x D(x)\| - 1)] \}$$





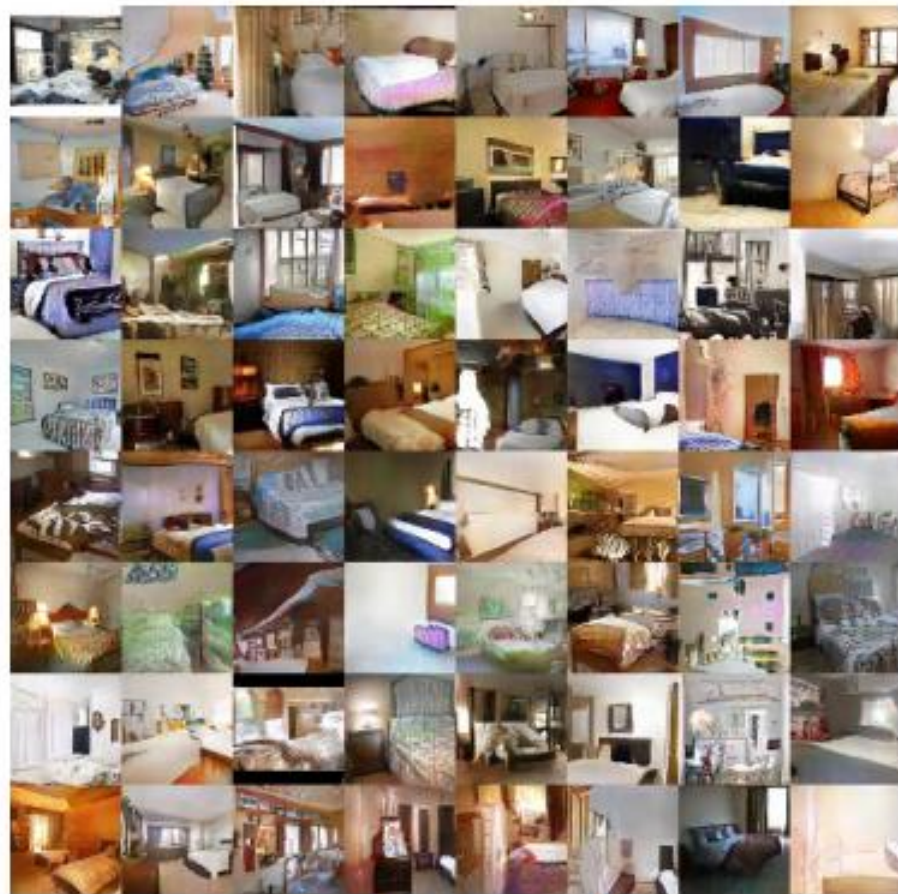
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G: DCGAN, *D*: DCGAN



Method: WGAN-GP (ours)
G: DCGAN, *D*: DCGAN



Method: WGAN with clipping
101-layer ResNet G and D



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Method: WGAN with clipping
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