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# Artificial Intelligence II (Business Aspect)

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# AI Applications

- Recommendation systems
- Predictive maintenance





# Image Recognition

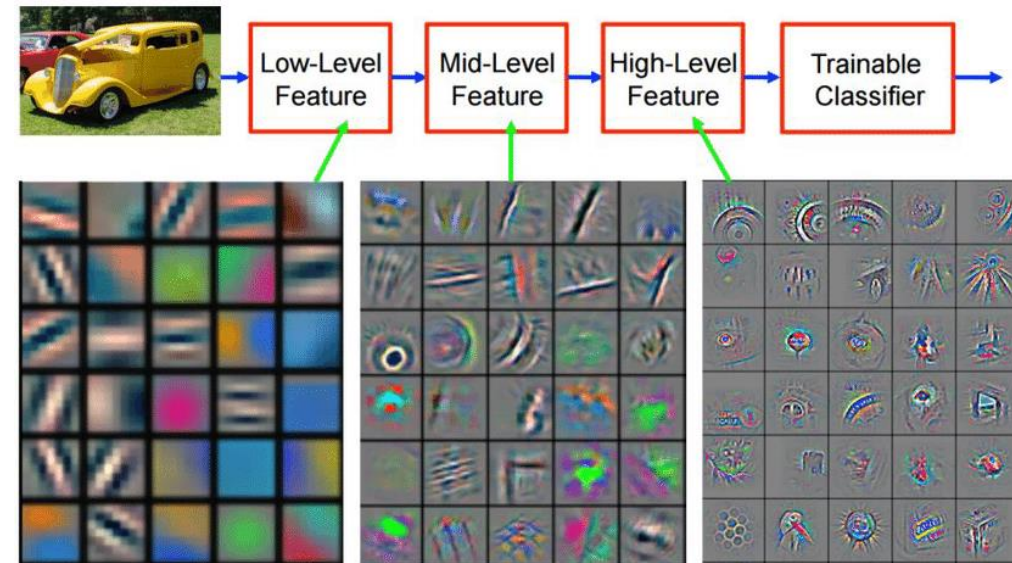
- Advances in AI have tremendously boosted accuracy of image recognition.
- A 2015 *deep convolutional neural network (CNN) architecture* won first place in the ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge (ILSVRC) with an error rate of **3.57%**.
- In contrast, *humans* have an error rate of **5.1%**, on the same task.



# Image Recognition: Humans vs. AI

- In the past, machines struggled to recognise images, as the input given to them are arrays of numbers from 0 to 255, representing the intensities of **pixels**.
- In contrast, our human brains can identify features of perceived images, like **edges, shapes, shades, shadows**, which allow us to easily identify them.
- The CNN deep neural network architecture has this basic idea of ***feature identification***.

## Convolutional Neural Network



# Image Recognition

- Input comprise pixels (array of numbers denoting the intensity of *red, green and blue*).
  - These input are processed to identify images using a deep learning architecture that is based on *convolutional neural networks* (CNN).
- Objects identification
  - Handwritten texts
  - Facial recognition
  - Photo enhancements
  - Autonomous vehicles
  - Robotics
  - Drone technology

# Iris and Facial Biometrics for Immigration Clearance at all Checkpoints in Singapore



- Fingerprint verification has been implemented in Singapore since 2006.
- With improved image recognition, *iris scanning* started to roll out in 2017. This alleviated fingerprint issues due to ageing, scarring or dryness.
- Iris scanning uses 250 feature points for matching, compared to around 100 for fingerprints.
- Human iris patterns are more distinctive, with *greater degree of variations*, making it more *robust for identifications*.
- Iris matching has an accuracy of 90%–99%. In live iris scanning, eyeball movements are detected, eliminating possible fooling of scanning using a picture of the eye. This also makes it impossible to scan a dead person's iris—after death, the pupil expands and the iris area is too narrow for scanning.
- Impact: Significantly speeds up immigration clearing processes and reduces manual labour.

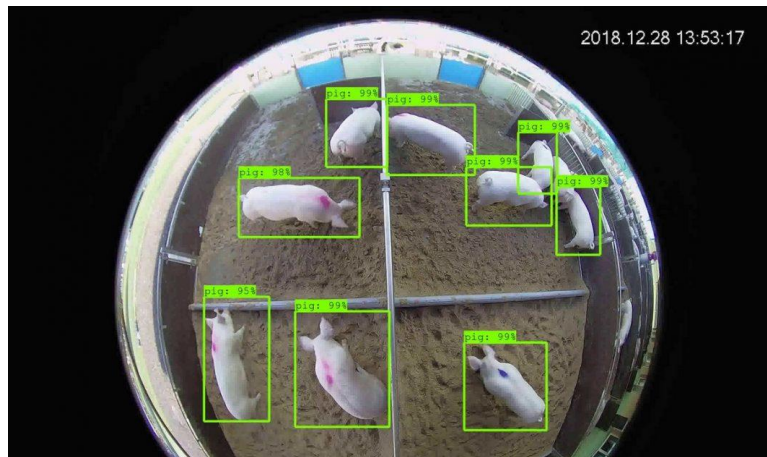
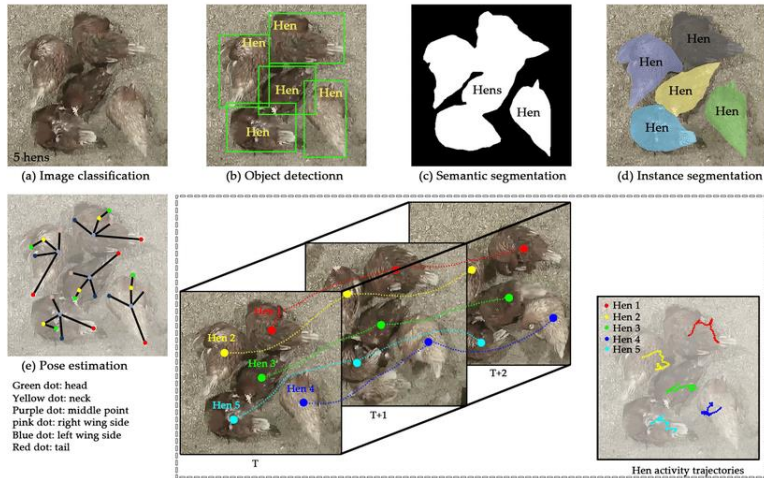


# Aipoly Vision

- A “visionary” app that assists **visually impaired, colour-blind or blind individuals**.
- Capable of identifying texts, food, plants, animals, etc., including **facial** identification of known identities.
- After object identification, the app then displays or reads out the object’s identity.



# Agriculture



- Livestock farming, fish farming, fruits and vegetable yields have benefitted greatly from the use of computer vision.
- These live trackers allow for management of livestock to ensure animal welfare, monitor animal behaviour, tackle diseases, as well as promote better facility design.
- In fish farms, computer vision tracking provides automated mechanisms for feeding and fish count.
- For fruits and vegetable yield estimates via image recognition, this allows pre-harvest planning by farmers.
- Overall, computer vision permits better agricultural yield predictions which minimises wastage.



# Defect Detection



- In a production line, image recognition technology has proliferated in *quality control* and *defect detection*.
- Large-scale manufacturing plants require massive checks on their products. Without the use of AI to do this, a large equivalent human workforce would be required.
- An example of this is a raft of defect detection applications by *Foldolutions*, that inspect **cookies**, bakery products, meat, seafood, dairy products, and agro products.

# AI Applications

- Image recognition



# Generate Realistic Photos of *Non-Existent* Humans





**Not only images ...  
but also generating  
non-existent videos  
with audios!**



# AI Applications

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- Deep fakes

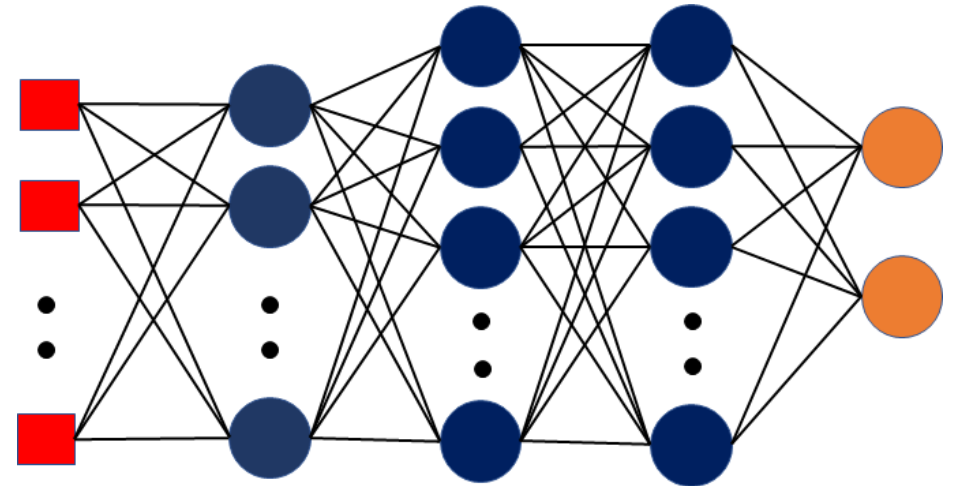
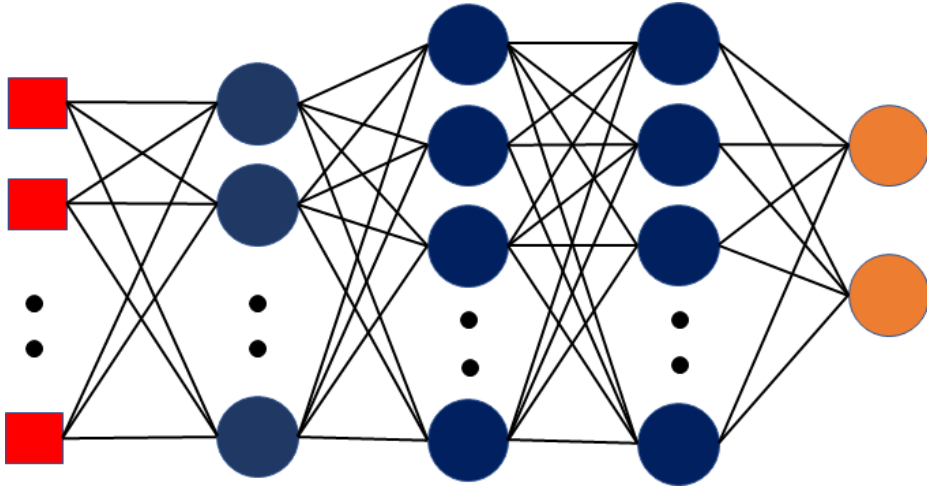


# Generative Adversarial Network (GAN)



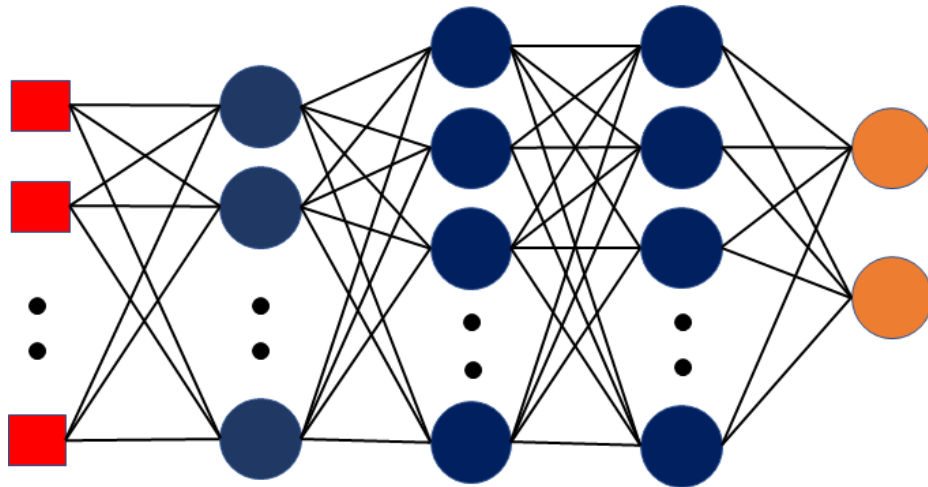
# Structure of GAN

- GAN comprises two neural networks:  
*Generator and discriminator*



# The Generator

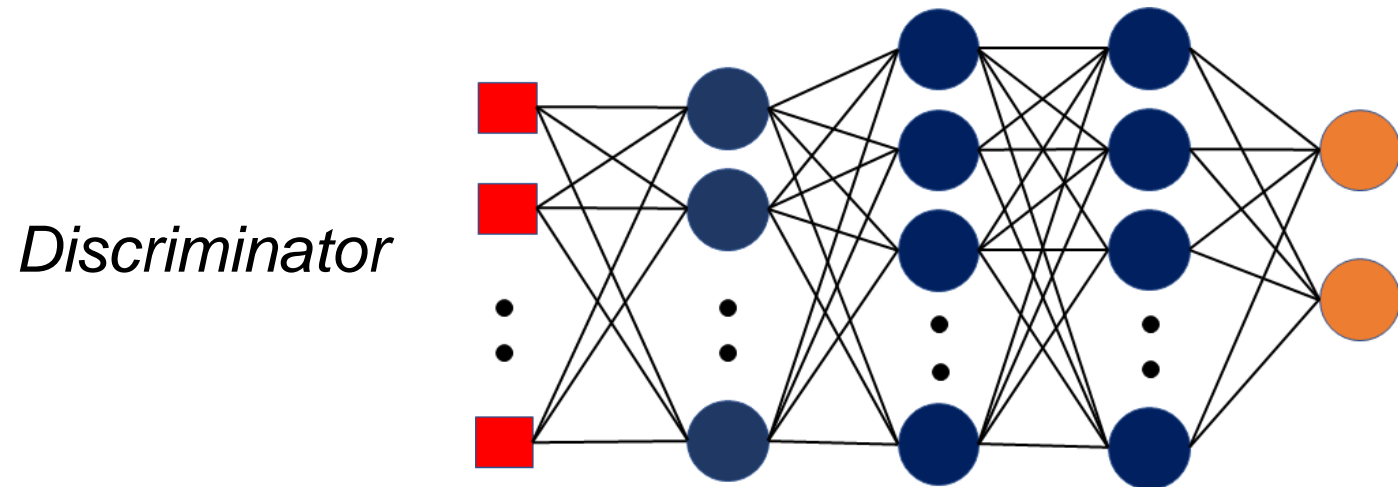
- The *generator* aims to produce an output that is realistic. This generated output is evaluated by the *discriminator*.
- Generator strives to fool the discriminator by trying to produce realistic output.



*The generator*

# The Discriminator

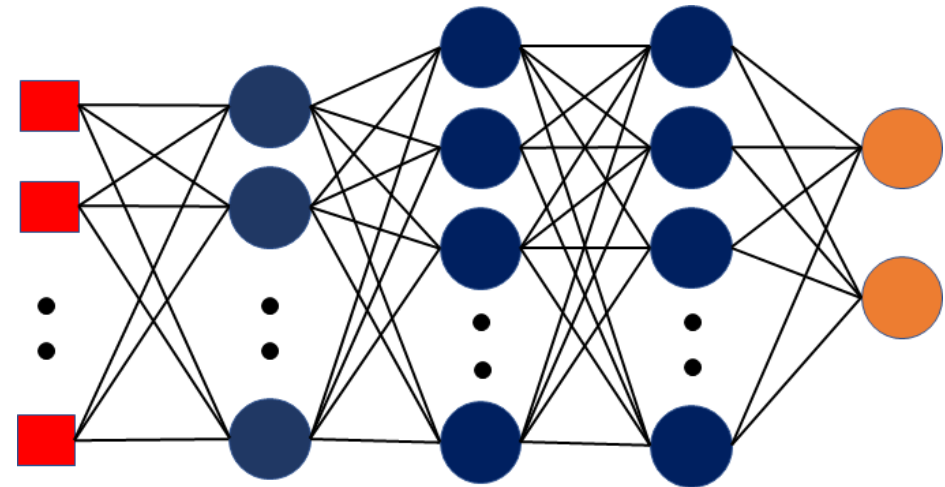
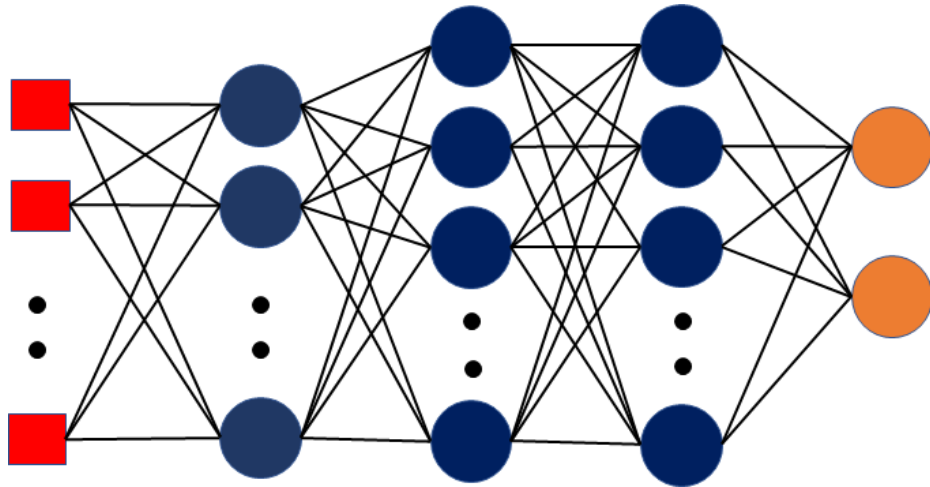
- The *discriminator*'s job is to discern whether a given sample is real or fake (generated by the generator).





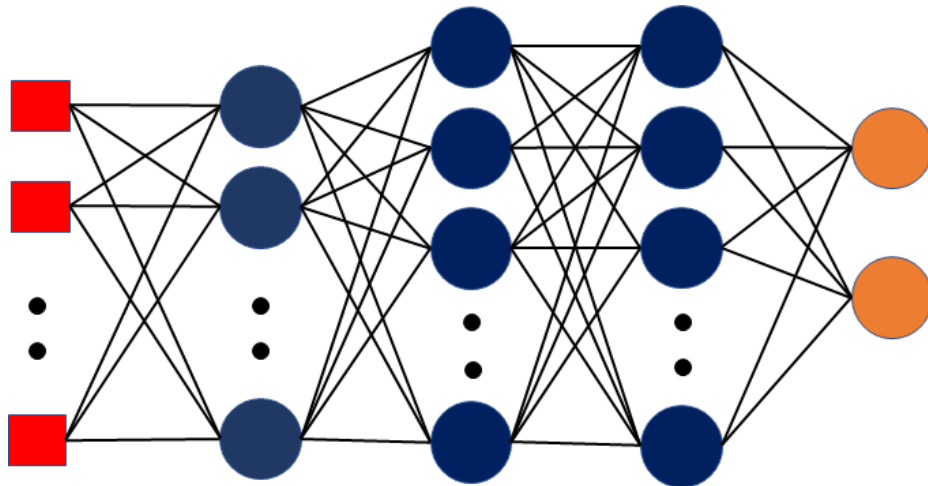
# Generator Competes With Discriminator (Hence Adversarial)

- These two networks compete to outsmart one another.
- *Generator* gets better at producing realistic output.
- *Discriminator* gets better at discerning between real and fake (generated) output.



# The Trained Generator

- Ultimately, we have a trained generator *deep neural network* that is capable of generating highly realistic output.



*The generator*

# Image Customisation

GAN allows for subtle customisation of images based on certain desired features.





# Rectify Corrupted or Damaged Photos



Ground truth

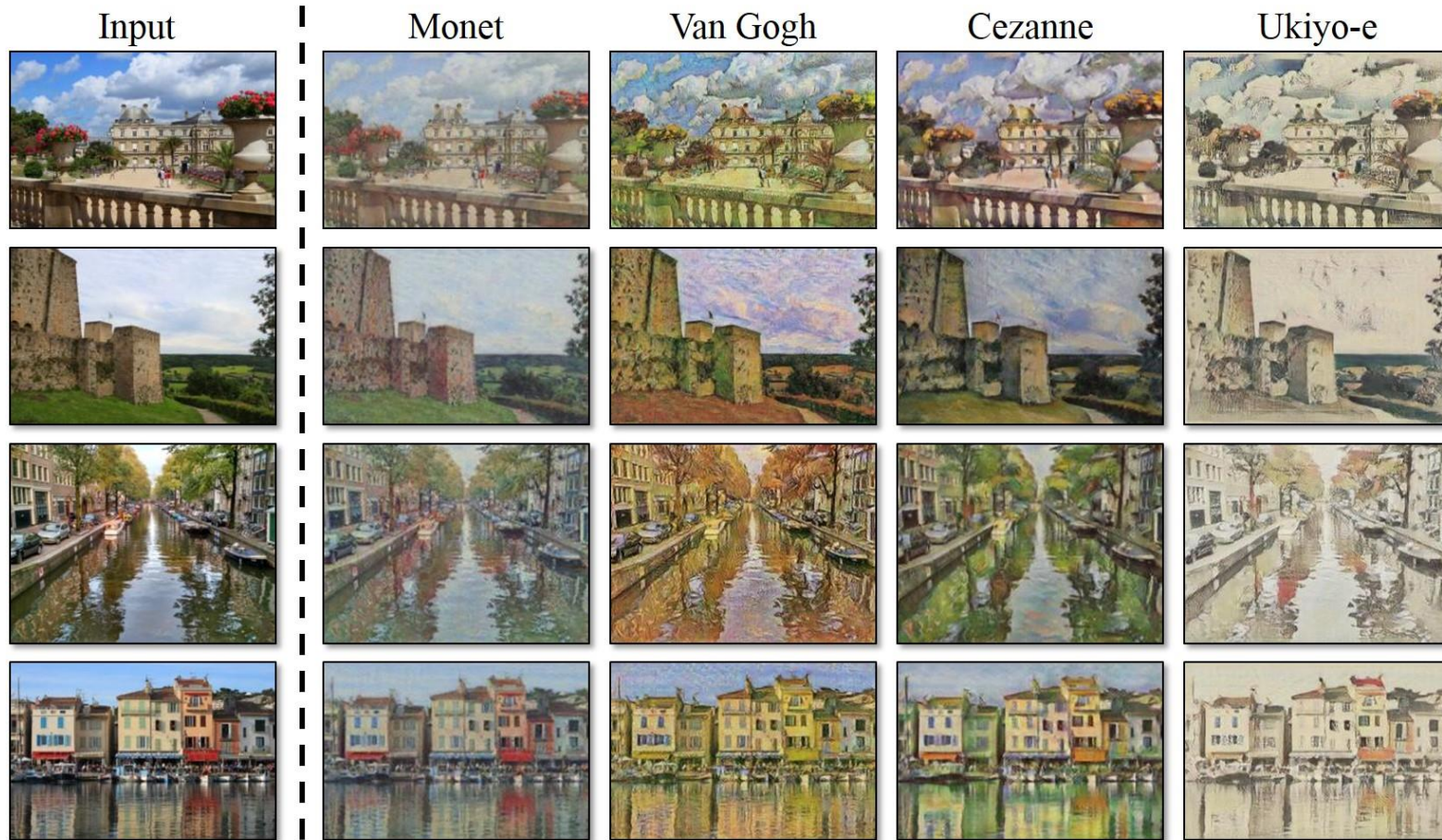


Missing data mask



Inpainted result

# Domain Adaptation



Given an input image, adapt it into other desired domain.

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## *An AI-generated picture won an art prize. Artists aren't happy*

New tools such as DALL-E 2, Midjourney and Stable Diffusion, which are able to create complex, abstract or photorealistic works simply by typing a few words into a text box, have created a stir.

Kevin Roose





# Image Super Resolution

bicubic  
(21.59dB/0.6423)



SRResNet  
(23.53dB/0.7832)



SRGAN  
(21.15dB/0.6868)

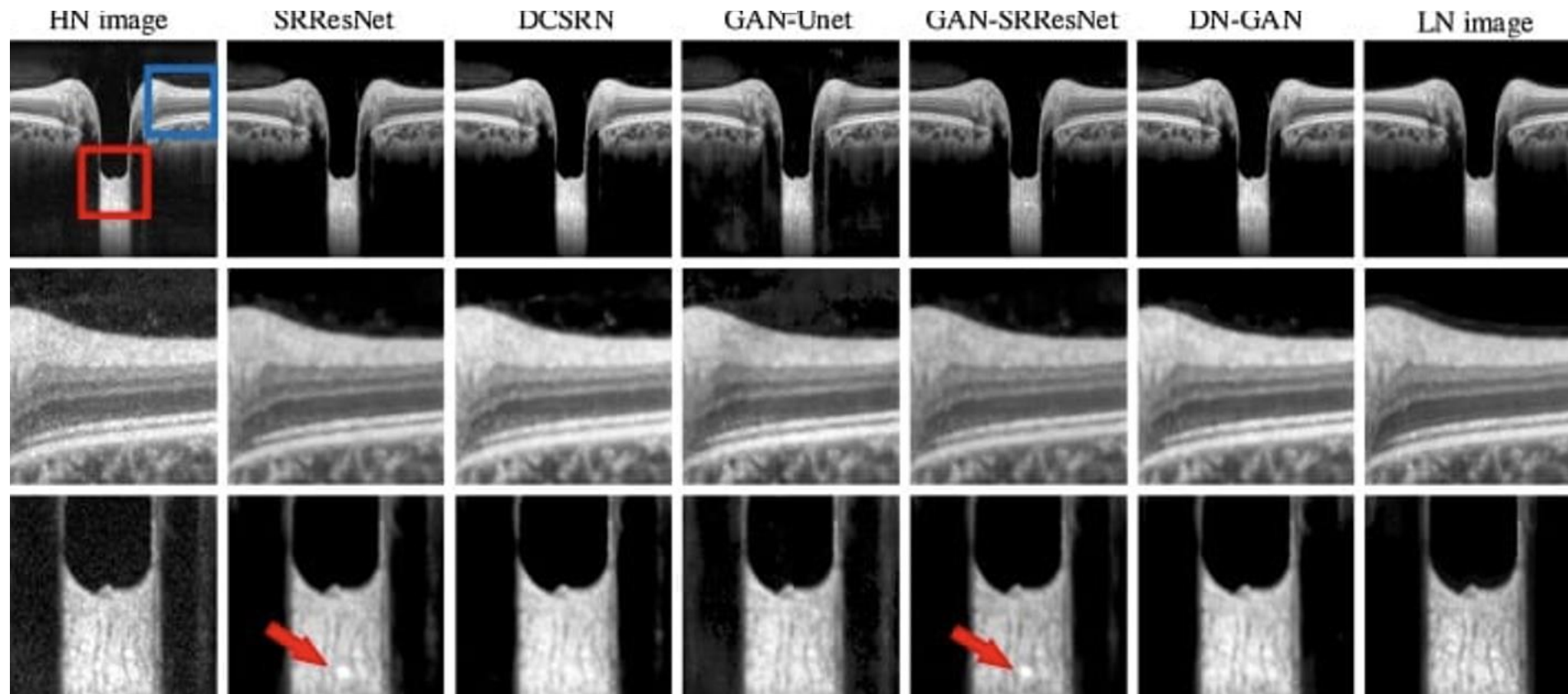


original



Upscaling low-resolution images to high-resolution images without artefacts introduced by traditional methods.

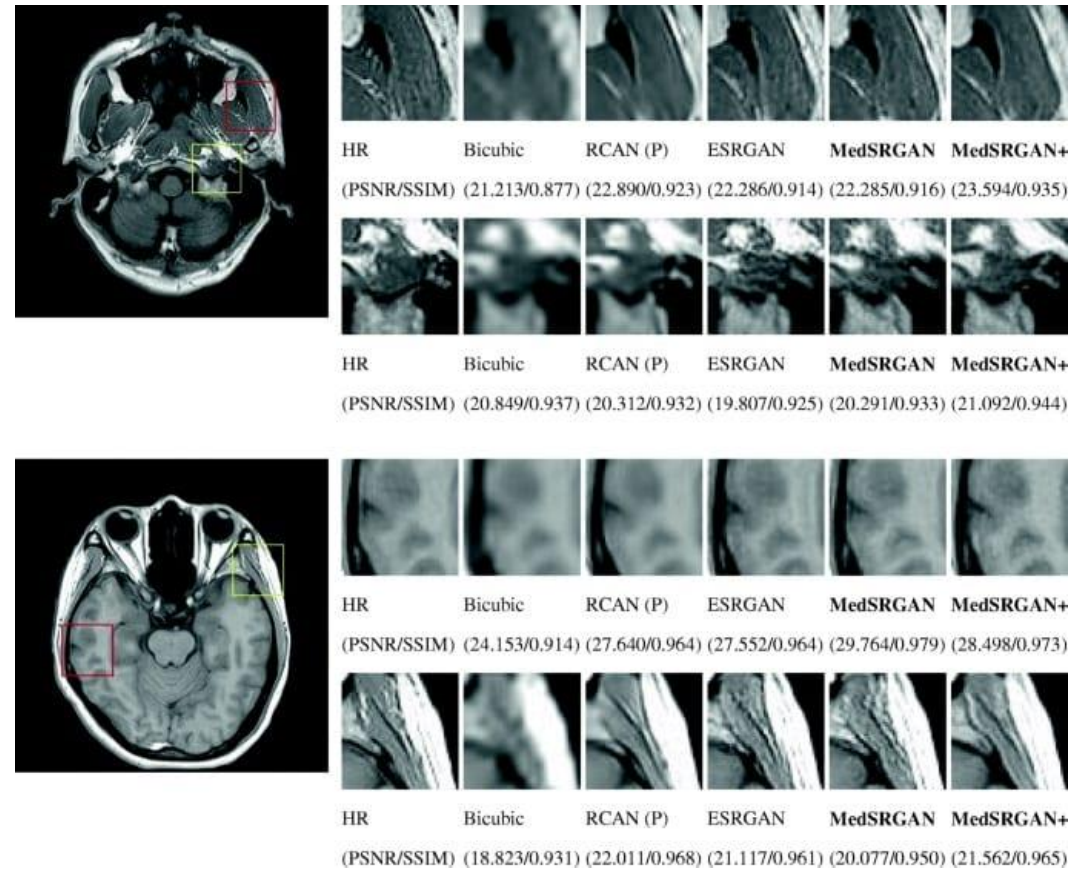
# Denoising



GAN can remove statistical noise from data, like medical imaging.

# Use in Healthcare

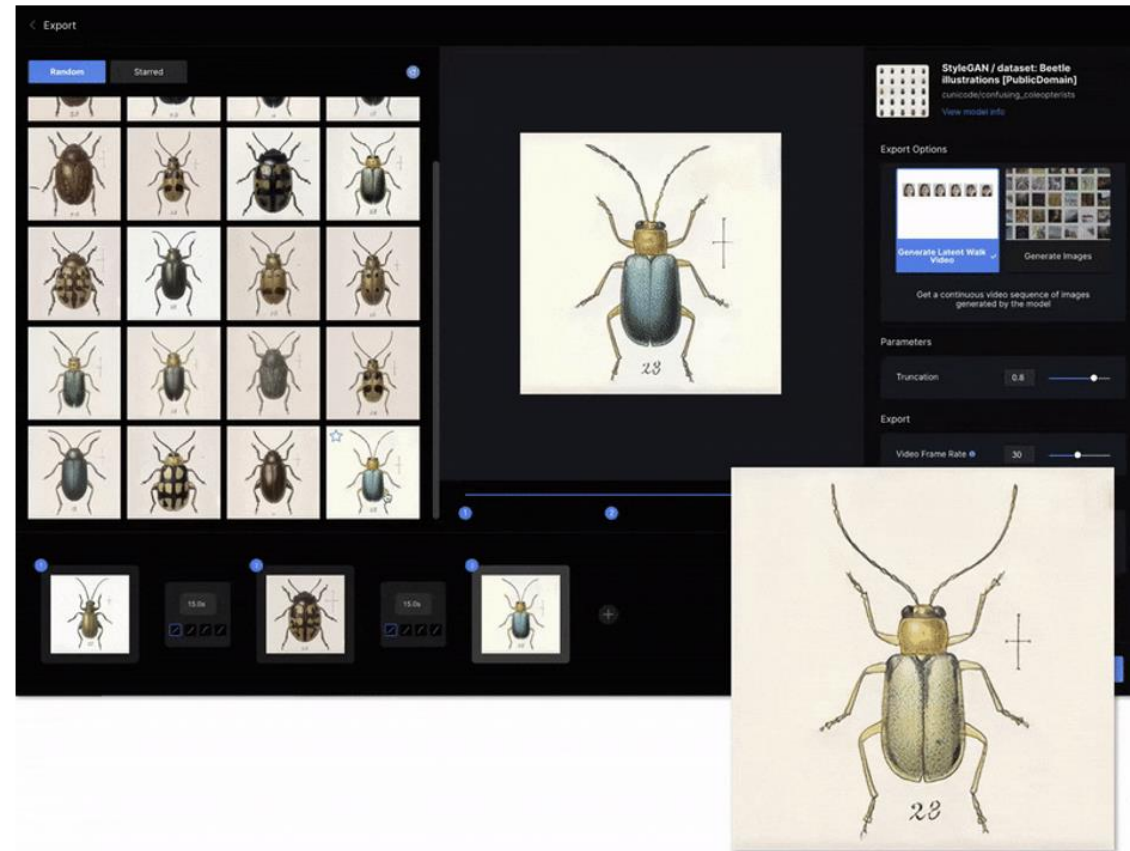
- In healthcare, the ability to generate super-resolution images of medical imaging as well as denoising is highly useful.
- This is because, scans like X-ray and CT scan would expose patients to radiation.
- Being able to reduce radiation exposure but still obtaining critical information, without distorting the original scans would be valuable.





# GAN as a Commercial Service

- Some companies are providing access to their infrastructure for data handling, model training with GAN “As-a-Service”.
- *Runway AI*:  
<https://runwayml.com/>



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# AI in Healthcare: Overview

- AI technologies allow streamlining BOTH **administrative** and **clinical healthcare processes**.
- The scope of applications of AI healthcare is wide, including diagnostics, operational technologies, and wellness.





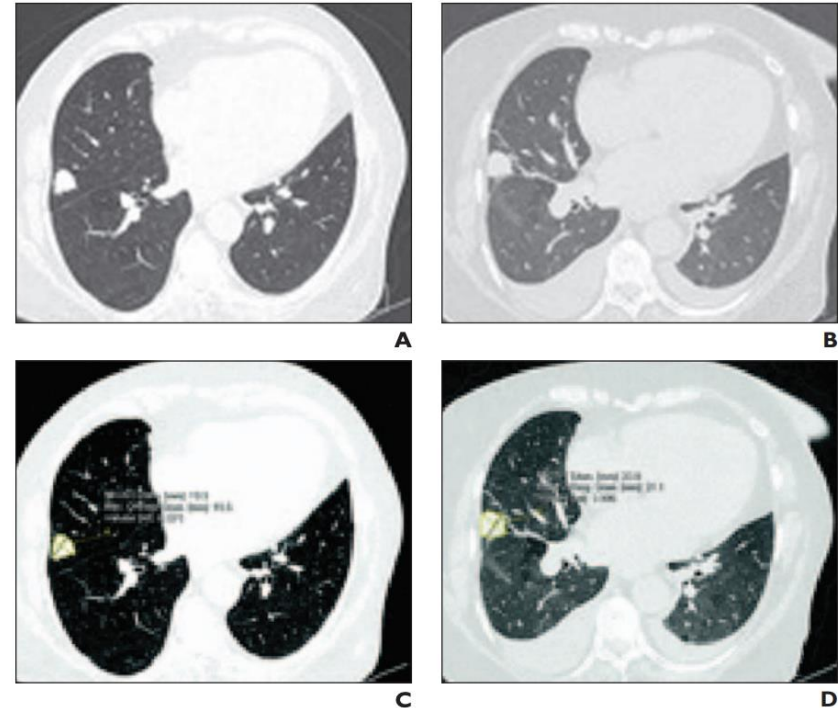
# AI-Assisted Robotic Surgery

- In surgery, AI-assisted robotics can analyse data from pre-operation medical records, to physically **guide** the surgeon's instruments in an operation.
- Additionally, using data from actual surgeries, AI can help to **formulate** new surgical techniques.
- A study found that AI-assisted robotic technique allowed a 5-fold reduction in surgical complications.



# Automated Imaging Diagnosis

- AI can undertake medical imaging diagnosis.
- NYU Langone Health researchers illustrated that automated analysis would find and match lung nodules from CT images around **62% to 97% faster than a regular panel of radiologists.**
- It is estimated that such AI-generated efficiencies in image analysis may save \$3 billion annually by **freeing up radiologists to focus on reviews requiring greater judgment.**





# Dosage Error Reduction

- Drug dosage determination has traditionally been challenging.
- Dosing errors lead to 37% of preventable medical errors.
- A 2016 landmark paper presented a mathematical formula using AI to accurately dictate the **optimal dosage** of immunosuppressant drugs for organ patients.
- Such estimations using AI could produce \$16 billion in annual savings.

# Other AI Applications in Healthcare

- **Virtual nursing assistants**
    - Helps address shortage in medical labour.
  - **Connected machines**
    - Provides connectivity amongst various medical equipment used in tandem.
  - **Clinical trial participation**
    - Integrates plethora of such data, accelerate data- and outcome-based approaches.
- **Preliminary diagnosis**
    - Improves interpretability of data to enhance accuracy of medical diagnosis.
  - **Cybersecurity**
    - Protects healthcare data.



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