

Boundary-Seeking Generative Adversarial Networks (BGANs)

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Executive Summary

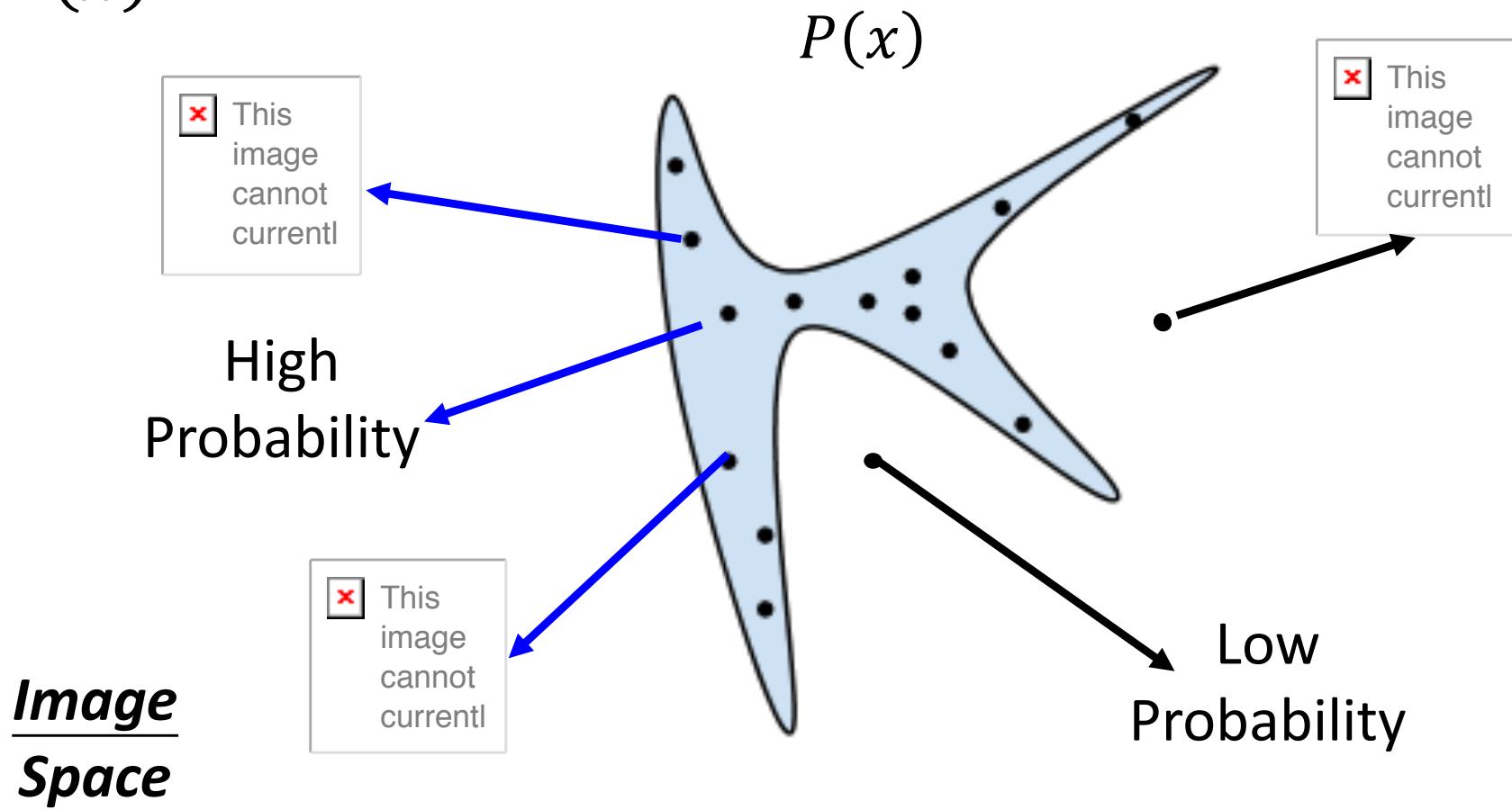
- BGAN is framework that allows GAN to generate both discrete and continuous data
- Discriminator is trained by maximizing the f-divergence between the data and generated distributions
- Generator is trained to minimize the f-divergence between the generated distribution and a self-normalized importance sampling (SIS) estimation of the data distribution
- Experiments show state of the art results in training GANs on discrete data generation and high stability in training GANs with continuous data.

Outline

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- Importance Sampling - Detour
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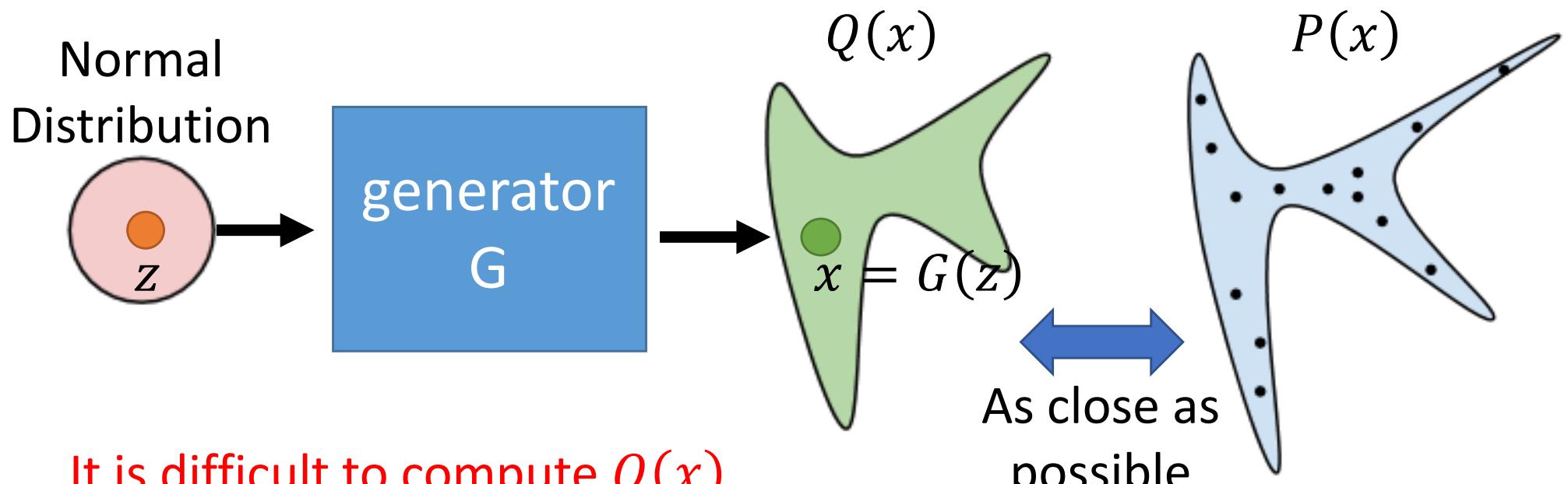
Basic Idea of GAN

- The data we want to generate has a distribution $P(x)$



Basic Idea of GAN

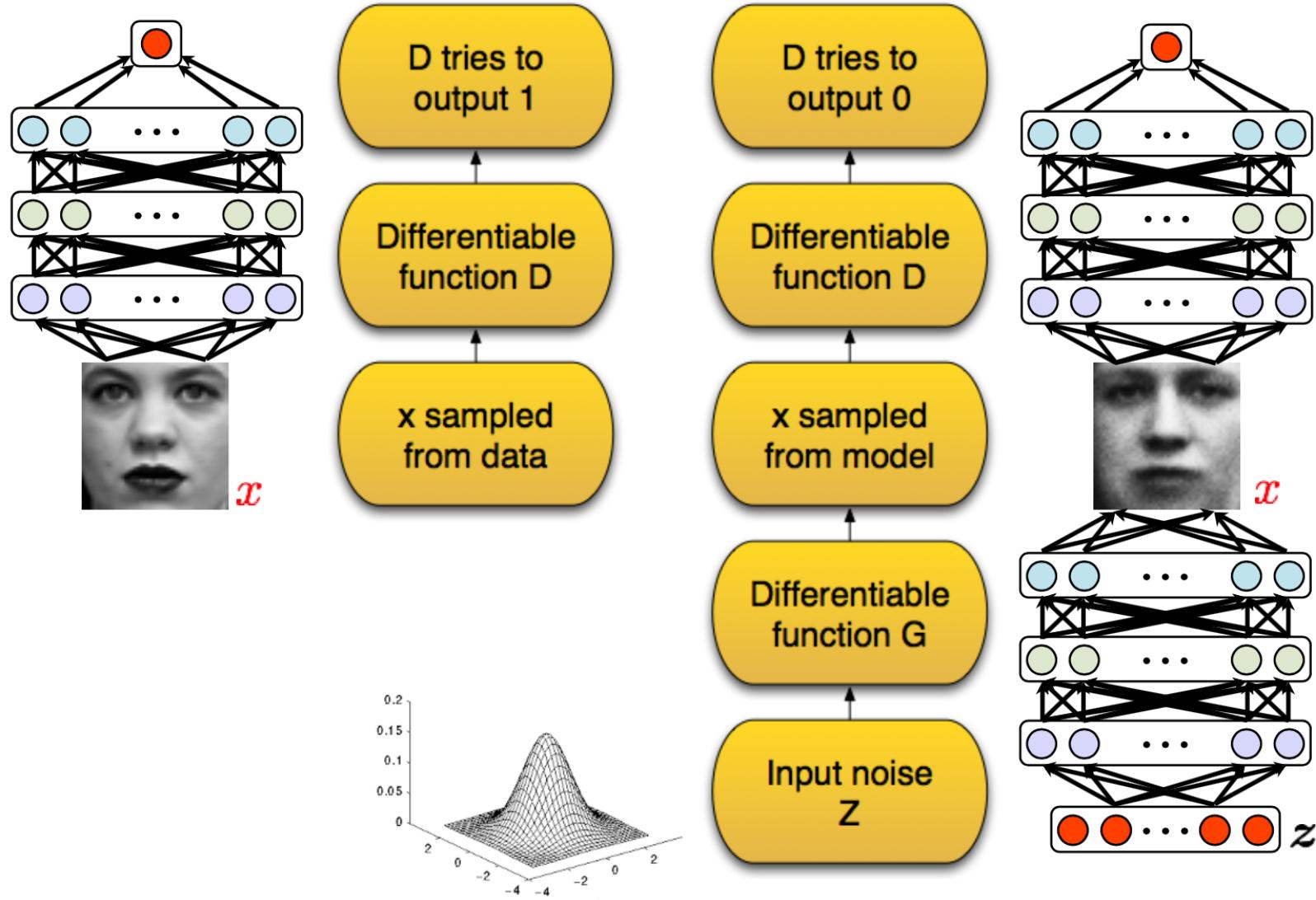
- A generator G is a network. The network defines a probability distribution.



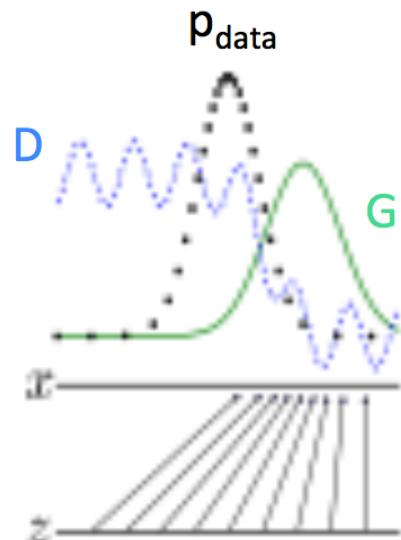
It is difficult to compute $Q(x)$

We can only sample from the distribution.

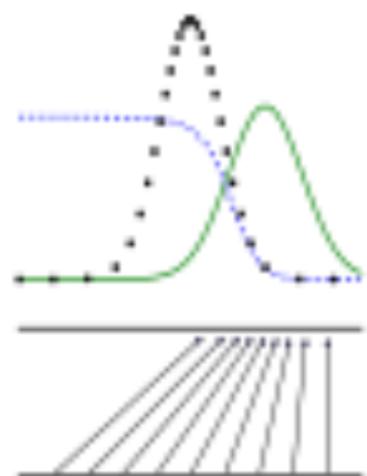
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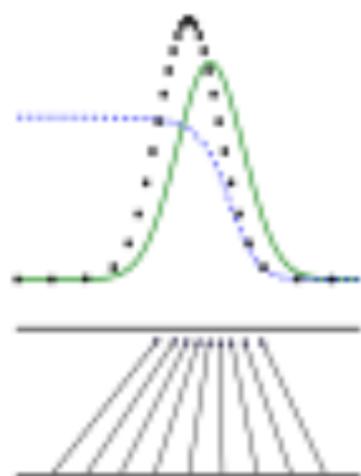
GAN Intuition



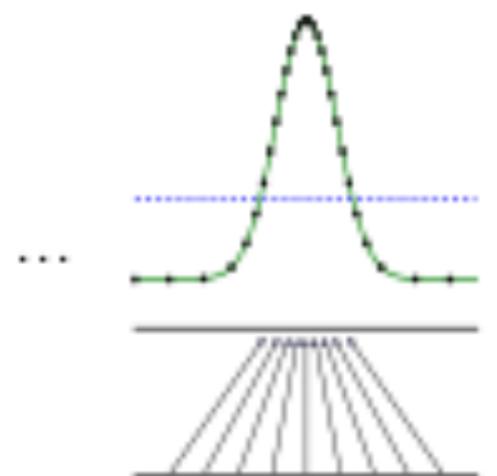
Poorly fit
model



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Mixed
strategy
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GAN Formally

- Value Function:

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathbb{P}, G_\theta, D_\phi) &= E_{x \sim P} [\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim Q} [\log(1 - D(x))] \\ &= E_{x \sim P} [\log D(x)] + E_{z \sim h(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))] \end{aligned}$$

- Monte-Carlo Approximation:

$$\tilde{V}(\mathbb{P}, G_\theta, D_\phi) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(x^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log (1 - D(G(z^i)))$$

- Discriminator target:

$$\max_{\phi} \tilde{V}(\mathbb{P}, G_\theta, D_\phi)$$

- Generator target:

$$\min_{\theta} \max_{\phi} \tilde{V}(\mathbb{P}, G_\theta, D_\phi)$$

Algorithm

Initialize ϕ_d for D and θ_g for G

- In each training iteration:

- Sample m examples $\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$ from data distribution $P(x)$
- Sample m noise samples $\{z^1, z^2, \dots, z^m\}$ from the prior $h(z)$
- Obtaining generated data $\{\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^m\}$, $\tilde{x}^i = G(z^i)$
- Update discriminator parameters θ_d to maximize
 - $\tilde{V} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(x^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log (1 - D(\tilde{x}^i))$
 - $\phi_d \leftarrow \phi_d + \eta \nabla \tilde{V}(\phi_d)$
- Sample another m noise samples $\{z^1, z^2, \dots, z^m\}$ from the prior $P_{prior}(z)$

Learning
D

Repeat
k times

Learning
G

Only
Once

- Update generator parameters θ_g to minimize

- $\tilde{V} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(x^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log (1 - D(G(z^i)))$
- $\theta_g \leftarrow \theta_g - \eta \nabla \tilde{V}(\theta_g)$

f - GAN Introduction

- Sebastian Nowozin, Botond Cseke, Ryota Tomioka, “*f-GAN*: Training Generative Neural Samplers using Variational Divergence Minimization”, NIPS, 2016
- One sentence: you can use any f-divergence

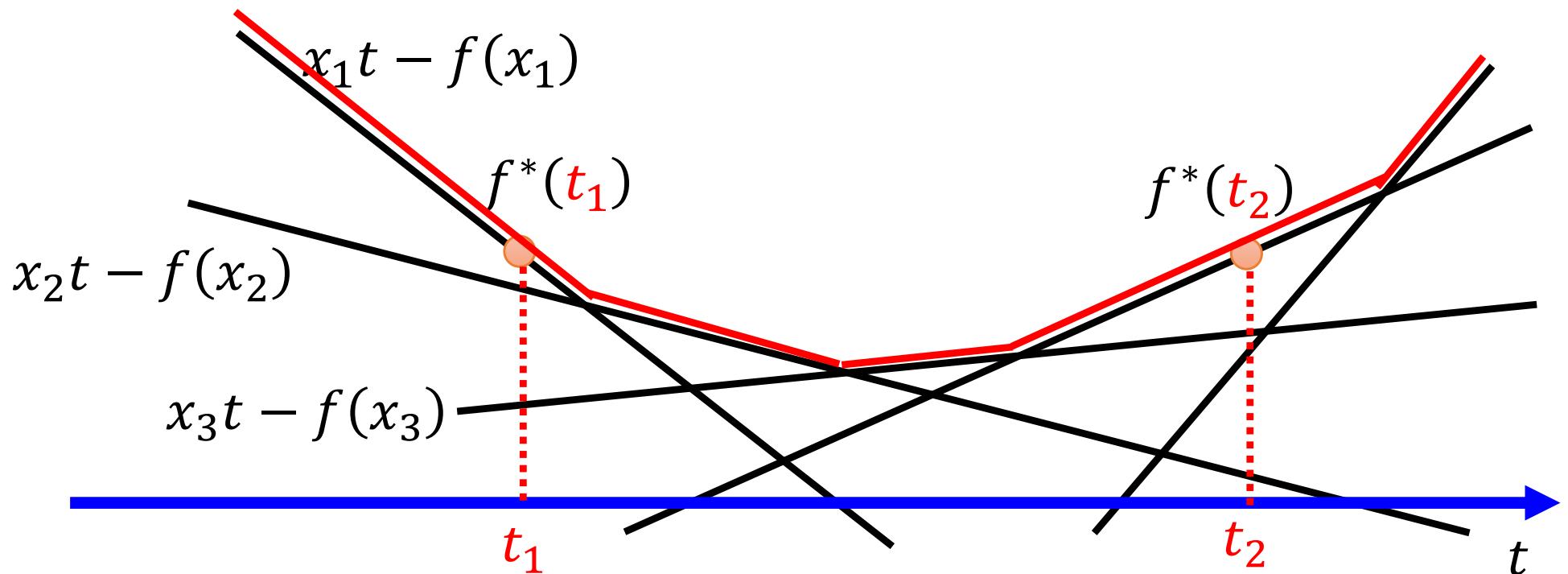
f-divergence

P and Q are two distributions. $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are the density functions respectively.

$$D_f(P||Q) = \int_x q(x)f\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}\right)dx \quad \begin{array}{l} f \text{ is convex} \\ f(1) = 0 \end{array}$$

- Every convex function f has a conjugate function f^*

$$f^*(t) = \max_{x \in \text{dom}(f)} \{xt - f(x)\} \longleftrightarrow f(x) = \max_{t \in \text{dom}(f^*)} \{xt - f^*(t)\}$$



Connection with GAN

$$f^*(t) = \max_{x \in \text{dom}(f)} \{xt - f(x)\} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad f(\underline{x}) = \max_{t \in \text{dom}(f^*)} \{\underline{xt} - f^*(t)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_f(P||Q) &= \int_x q(x) f\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}\right) dx \quad \boxed{\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}} \quad \boxed{\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}} \\ &= \int_x q(x) \left(\max_{t \in \text{dom}(f^*)} \left\{ \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \underline{t} - f^*(\underline{t}) \right\} \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

D is a function whose input is x, and output is t

$$\geq \max_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \int_x q(x) \left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \underline{D(x)} - f^*(\underline{D(x)}) \right) dx$$

$$= \max_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \int_x p(x) D(x) dx - \int_x q(x) f^*(D(x)) dx$$

Connection with GAN

$$\begin{aligned} D_f(P||Q) &\geq \max_D \left\{ \int_x p(x)D(x)dx - \int_x q(x)f^*(D(x))dx \right\} \\ &= \max_D \{ E_{x \sim P}[D(x)] - E_{x \sim Q}[f^*(D(x))] \} \\ &\quad \text{Samples from P} \quad \text{Samples from Q} \end{aligned}$$

$$D_f(P||Q) \geq \max_D \{ E_{x \sim P}[\nu \circ D(x)] - E_{x \sim Q}[f^*(\nu \circ D(x))] \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G^* &= \arg \min_G D_f(P||Q) \\ &= \arg \min_G \max_D \{ E_{x \sim P}[\nu \circ D(x)] - E_{z \sim h(z)}[f^*(\nu \circ D(G(z)))] \} \end{aligned}$$

GAN value function:

$$V(\mathbb{P}, G_\theta, D_\phi) = E_{x \sim P}[\log D(x)] + E_{z \sim h(z)} [\log (1 - D(G(z)))]$$

Importance Sampling - Detour

$$E_{x \sim P}[f(x)] = \int f(x)p(x)dx$$

$$= \int f(x) \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} q(x)dx$$

$$= \int f(x)w(x)q(x)dx$$

$$= E_{x \sim Q}[f(x)w(x)]$$

$$= \frac{E_{x \sim Q}[f(x)w(x)]}{E_{x \sim Q}[w(x)]}$$

$$w(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$$

In case p or q
are scaled
density
functions

w(x) - Importance
Weights

Boundary Seeking GAN - BGAN

Theorem 1: P and Q as in f-GAN, and $D^* \in \mathcal{D}$ satisfying:

$$D_f(P||Q) = \max_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{x \sim P}[D(x)] - E_{x \sim Q}[f^*(D(x))]\}$$

Then: $p(x) = (\frac{\partial f^*}{\partial D})(D^*(x))q(x)$

Proof:

$$D_f(P||Q) = E_{x \sim Q} \left[f \left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right) \right] = E_{x \sim Q} \left[\sup_t \left\{ t \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} - f^*(t) \right\} \right]$$

p re-written in terms of q and a scaling factor

$$w(x) = (\frac{\partial f^*}{\partial D})(D^*(x)) - \text{Importance weights}$$

$$\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \frac{\partial f^*(t)}{\partial t}$$

Boundary Seeking GAN - BGAN

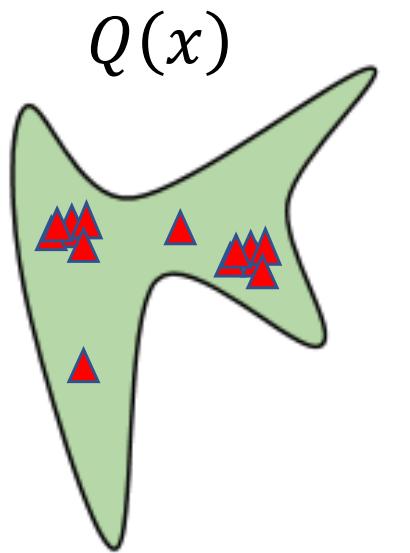
BGAN suggests to use the **divergence** between $q(x)$ and the self normalized importance sampling (IS) estimation of $p(x)$:

$$\tilde{p}(x) = \frac{w(x)}{\beta} q(x)$$

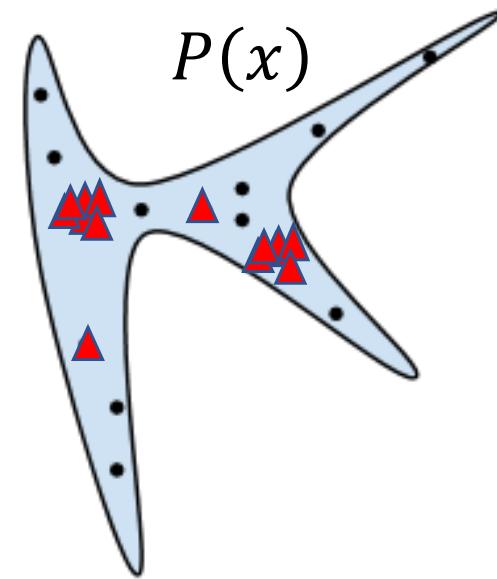
Where:

$$\beta = E_{x \sim Q}[w(x)]$$

BGAN – IS intuition



IS proxy with optimal
discriminator D



- Divergence between \blacktriangle should have lower variance than if taking arbitrary samples from $P(x)$
- Since $G(z)$ defines a distribution that x is sampled from - the variance can be further decreased by taking multiple samples from the same z

BGAN – reduced variance

We can restate everything in terms of conditional distributions:

- $q(x) = \int_Z g(x|z)h(z)dz$
- $g(x|z): Z \rightarrow [0,1]^d$ - multivariate Bernoulli distribution
- $\alpha(z) = E_{x \sim g(x|z)}[w(x)]$ - similar to β
- $\tilde{p}(x|z) = \frac{w(x)}{\alpha(z)} g(x|z)$
- $D_{KL}(\tilde{p}(x)||q(x)) = E_{h(z)}[D_{KL}(\tilde{p}(x|z)||q(x|z))]$
- $\nabla E_{h(z)}[D_{KL}(\tilde{p}(x|z)||q(x|z))]$ approximates with two MC

BGAN - Algorithm

Algorithm 1 . Discrete Boundary Seeking GANs

$(\theta, \phi) \leftarrow$ initialize the parameters of the generator and statistic network

repeat

$$\hat{x}^{(n)} \sim \mathbb{P}$$

▷ Draw N samples from the empirical distribution

$$z^{(n)} \sim h(z)$$

▷ Draw N samples from the prior distribution

$x^{(m|n)} \sim g_\theta(x | z^{(n)})$ ▷ Draw M samples from each conditional $g_\theta(x | z^{(m)})$ (drawn independently if \mathbb{P} and Q_θ are multi-variate)

$$w(x^{(m|n)}) \leftarrow (\partial f^*/\partial T) \circ (\nu \circ F_\phi(x^{(m|n)}))$$

$\tilde{w}(x^{(m|n)}) \leftarrow w(x^{(m|n)}) / \sum_{m'} w(x^{(m'|n)})$ ▷ Compute the un-normalized and normalized importance weights (applied uniformly if \mathbb{P} and Q_θ are multi-variate)

$\mathcal{V}(\mathbb{P}, Q_\theta, T_\phi) \leftarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_n F_\phi(\hat{x}^{(n)}) - \frac{1}{N} \sum_n \frac{1}{M} \sum_m w(x^{(m|n)})$ ▷ Estimate the variational lower-bound

$$\phi \leftarrow \phi + \gamma_d \nabla_\phi \mathcal{V}(\mathbb{P}, Q_\theta, T_\phi)$$
 ▷ Optimize the discriminator parameters

$$\theta \leftarrow \theta + \gamma_g \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n,m} \tilde{w}(x^{(m|n)}) \nabla_\theta \log g_\theta(x^{(m|n)} | z)$$
 ▷ Optimize the generator parameters

until convergence

Boundary Seeking GAN - BGAN

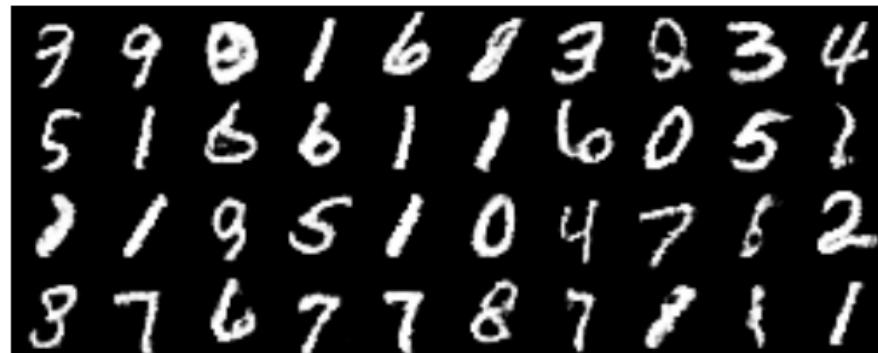
$$D_f(P_{data} || P_G) \geq \max_D \{ E_{x \sim P_{data}} [\nu \circ D(x)] - E_{x \sim P_G} [f^*(\nu \circ D(x))] \}$$

$$\tilde{p}(x) = \frac{w(x)}{\beta} q(x) \quad w(x) = \left(\frac{\partial f^*}{\partial D} \right) (D^*(x))$$

Table 1: Important weights and nonlinearities that ensure

Importance weights for f -divergences		
f -divergence	$\nu(y)$	$w(x) = (\partial f^*/\partial T)(T(x))$
GAN	$-\log(1 + e^{-y})$	$-\frac{1}{1-e^{-T_\phi}} = e^{F_\phi(x)}$
Jensen-Shannon	$\log 2 - \log(1 + e^{-y})$	$-\frac{1}{2-e^{-T_\phi}} = e^{F_\phi(x)}$
KL	$y + 1$	$e^{(T_\phi(x)-1)} = e^{F_\phi(x)}$
Reverse KL	$-e^{-y}$	$-\frac{1}{T_\phi(x)} = e^{F_\phi(x)}$
Squared-Hellinger	$1 - e^{-v/2}$	$\frac{1}{(1-T_\phi(x))^2} = e^{F_\phi(x)}$

BGAN – Experiments



Train Measure	Eval Measure (lower is better)		
	JS	reverse KL	Wasserstein
BGAN - JS	0.37 (± 0.02)	0.16 (± 0.01)	0.40 (± 0.03)
BGAN - reverse KL	0.44 (± 0.02)	0.44 (± 0.03)	0.45 (± 0.04)
WGAN-GP (samples)	0.45 (± 0.03)	1.32 (± 0.06)	0.87 (± 0.18)
WGAN-GP (softmax)	-	-	0.54 (± 0.12)

BGAN – Experiments



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BGAN – Continuous case

Recall:

$$G^* = \arg \min_G D_f(P_{data} || P_G)$$
$$D_f(P || Q) = E_{x \sim Q} \left[f \left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right) \right] = E_{x \sim Q} \left[\sup_t \left\{ t \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} - f^*(t) \right\} \right]$$
$$\Updownarrow \text{ Max when } \nabla \left\{ t \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} - f^*(t) \right\} = 0$$
$$\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \left(\frac{\partial f^*}{\partial D} \right) (D^*(x)) = w(x)$$
$$\Updownarrow p(x) = q(x) \text{ when } w(x) = 1$$
$$G^* = \arg \min_G (\log w(G(z)))^2$$
$$\Updownarrow$$
$$G^* = \arg \min_G D(G(z))^2$$

BGAN – Continuous case

f-GAN:

$$G^* = \arg \min_G \{E_{x \sim P}[\nu \circ D(x)] - E_{z \sim h(z)}[f^*(\nu \circ D(G(z)))]\}$$

GAN (Proxy GAN):

$$G^* = \arg \min_G \left\{ E_{x \sim P}[\log D(x)] + E_{z \sim h(z)} [\log (1 - D(G(z)))] \right\}$$

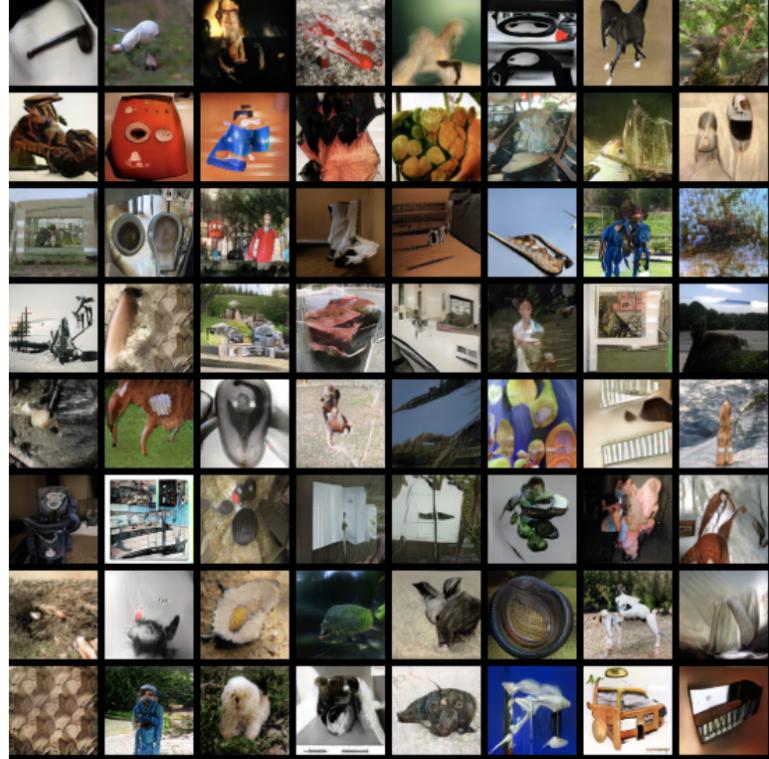
BGAN:

$$G^* = \arg \min_G E_{z \sim h(z)} D(G(z))^2 \iff w(x) = 1 \iff p(x) = q(x)$$

BGAN – Continuous Experiments



CelebA



Imagenet

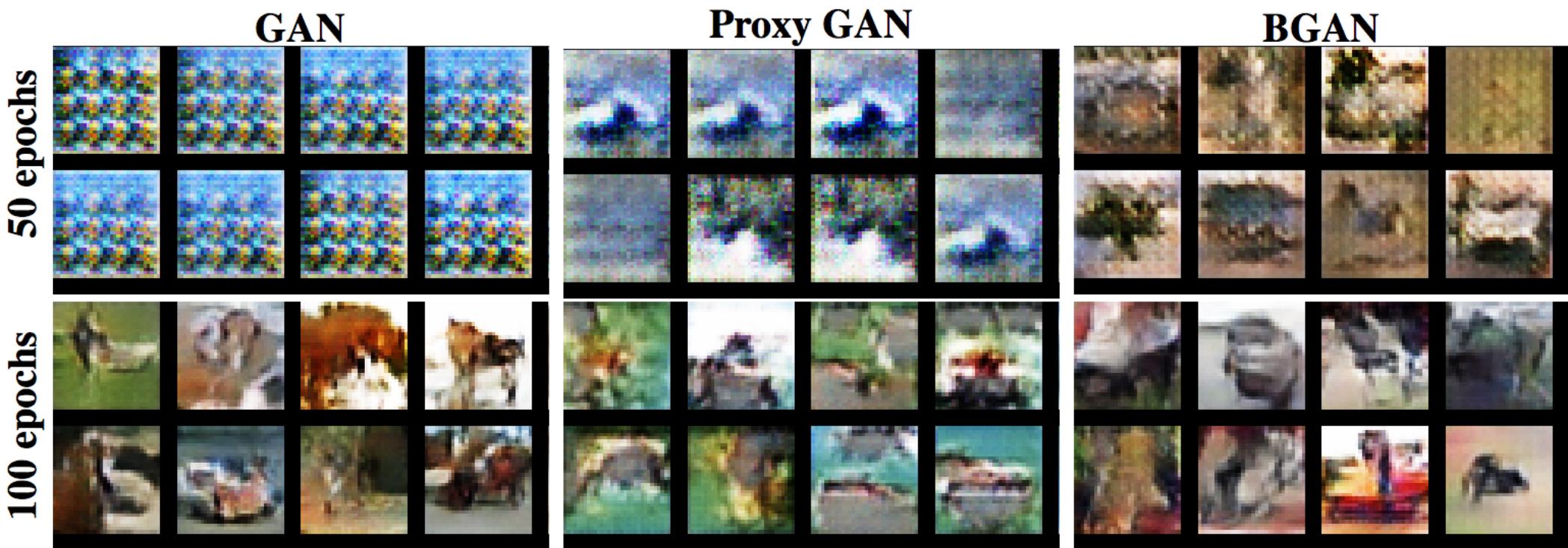


LSUN

Figure 3: Highly realistic samples from a generator trained with BGAN on the CelebA and LSUN datasets. These models were trained using a deep ResNet architecture with gradient norm regularization (Roth et al., 2017). The Imagenet model was trained on the full 1000 label dataset without conditioning.

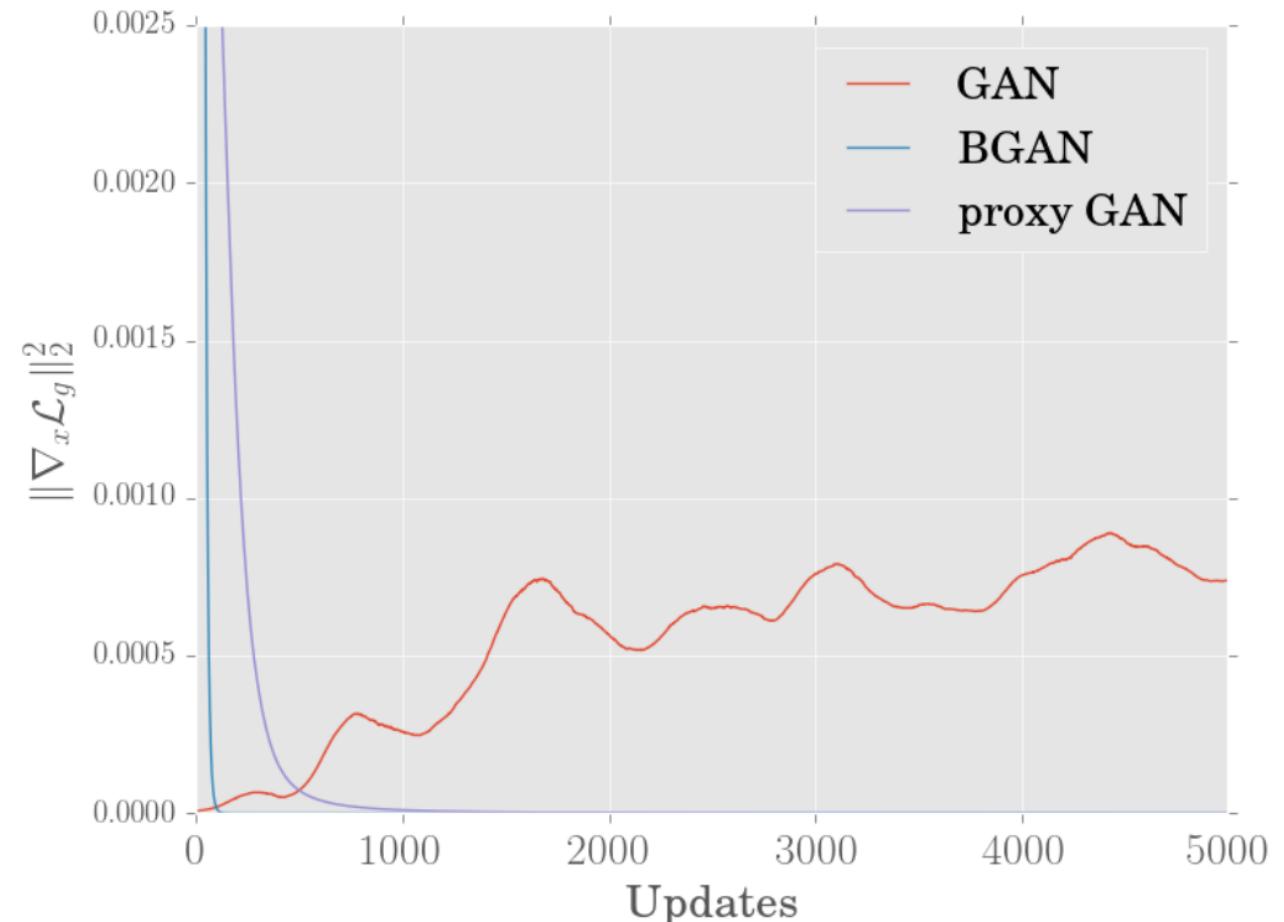
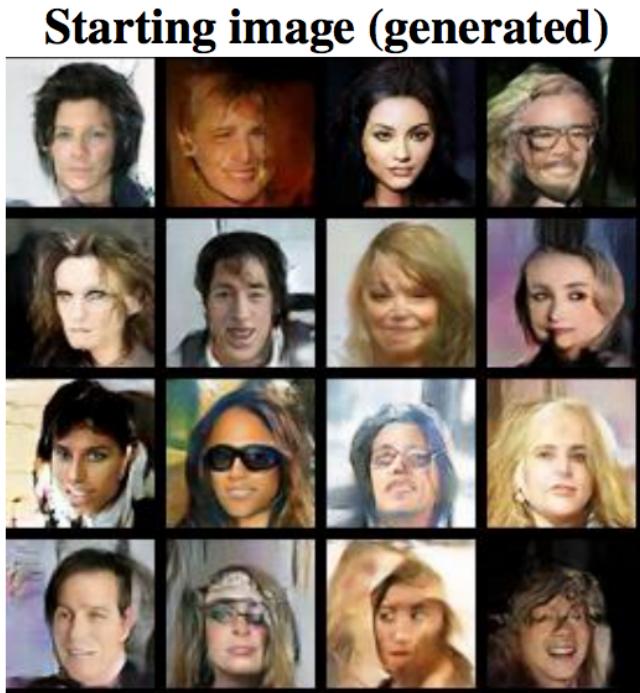
BGAN – Continuous Experiments

- Generator trained for 5 steps for every 1 step of the discriminator

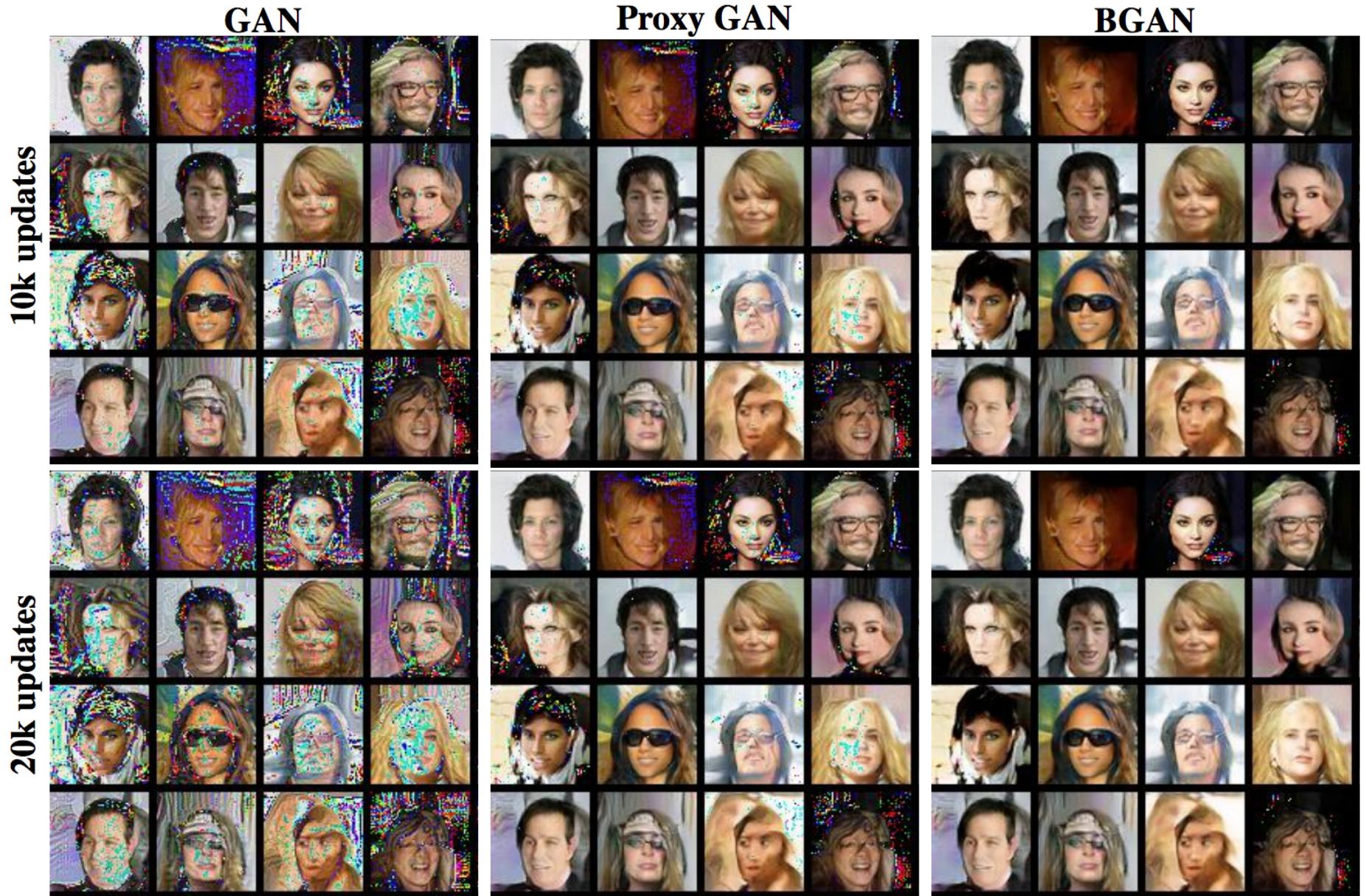


BGAN – Continuous Experiments

- Train a DCGAN using the proxy loss.
- Train the discriminator for 1000 more steps
- Perform gradient descent directly on the pixels



BGAN – Continuous Experiments



Discussion