

# Review on Generative Adversarial Networks

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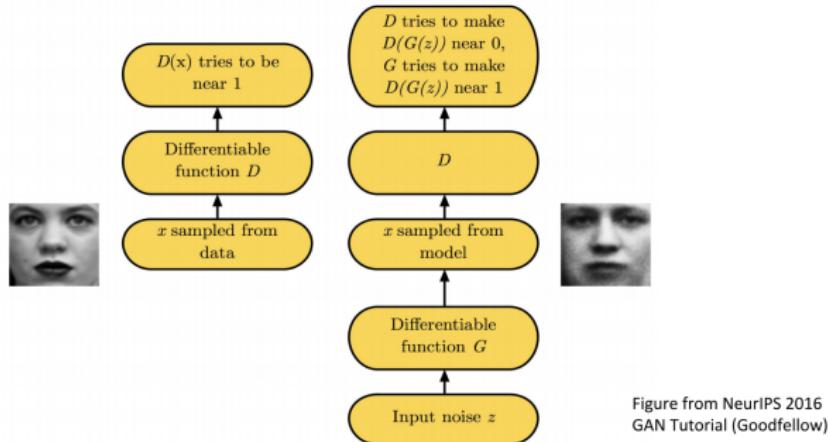
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# Vanilla GAN analysis<sup>1</sup>

Task: A image dataset, whose distribution is represented by  $P_r$ . Find a function  $G$ , s.t.  $G(N(0, 1)) = P_r$ , we note  $f(N(0, 1))$  as  $P_g$ .



Two player minimax problem (zero-sum, saddle point):

- player  $D$  distinguishes  $P_r$  from  $P_g$ ,
- player  $G$  fools discriminator  $D$ .

<sup>1</sup>Generative Adversarial Nets

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} [\log(1 - D(x))] \quad (1)$$

- $D$  maximize the log-likelihood of a binary classification
- $G$  minimize the log probability of being classified as 'fake' by  $D$

To see clearly, fix  $G$ , find the optimal  $D$ , take the derivative over  $D$ :

$$D^* = \frac{p_r(x)}{p_r(x) + p_g(x)}, \quad (2)$$

take into loss function, we get:

$$\min_G 2JSD(P_r || P_g) - 2\log 2 \quad (3)$$

Minimizing the loss function is equivalent to minimize the JS divergence between  $P_r$  and  $P_g$ .

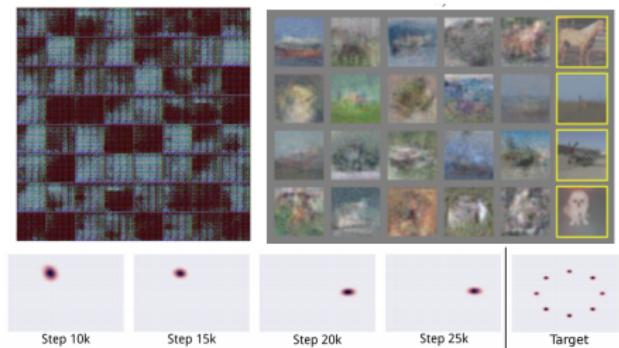
# Pros and Cons

## Pros:

- fast sample method (Compared with MCMC)
- no inference (Compared with graphic models)
- visually satisfaction

## Cons:

- Training unstable<sup>2</sup>
- Mode collapse<sup>3</sup>
- Just do sample memorization<sup>4</sup>



<sup>2</sup>Improved techniques for training GANS

<sup>3</sup>Mode collapse

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## f-gan<sup>5</sup>

This JS divergence is a special case of f-divergence family, which is defined as:

$$D_f(P_r||P_g) = \int_x p_g(x) f\left(\frac{p_r(x)}{p_g(x)}\right) dx \quad (4)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex, lower semi-continuous with  $f(1) = 0$ , also for the same reason  $f^{**}(u) = f(u)$ , and:

$$f(u) = \sup_{t \in \text{dom}_{f^*}} \{tu - f^*(t)\}. \quad (5)$$

Take it into the definition, we get a lower bound for f-divergence

$$D_f(P_r||P_g) \geq \sup_{T \in \mathcal{T}} (\mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[T(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g}[f^*(T(x))]) \quad (6)$$

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<sup>5</sup>f-GAN: Training Generative Neural Samplers using Variational Divergence Minimization.

Using the variational method w.r.t  $T(x)$ , find the optimal value for  $T(x)$ :

$$T^*(x) = f' \left( \frac{p_r(x)}{p_g(x)} \right), \quad (7)$$

The lower bound get tight if  $T(x) = T^*(X)$ .

With this lower bound, we can do reparameterization for f divergence and get the loss function:

$$\min_{P_g} (P_r || P_g) = \min_{\theta_g} \max_w (\mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r} [T_w(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_g} [f^*(T_w(x))]) \quad (8)$$

Name	$D_f(P  Q)$	Generator $f(u)$	$T^*(x)$
Kullback-Leibler	$\int p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$	$u \log u$	$1 + \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$
Reverse KL	$\int q(x) \log \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} dx$	$-\log u$	$-\frac{q(x)}{p(x)}$
Pearson $\chi^2$	$\int \frac{(q(x)-p(x))^2}{p(x)} dx$	$(u-1)^2$	$2\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} - 1\right)$
Squared Hellinger	$\int \left( \sqrt{p(x)} - \sqrt{q(x)} \right)^2 dx$	$(\sqrt{u}-1)^2$	$(\sqrt{\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}} - 1) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{q(x)}{p(x)}}$
Jensen-Shannon	$\frac{1}{2} \int p(x) \log \frac{2p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} + q(x) \log \frac{2q(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} dx$	$-(u+1) \log \frac{1+u}{2} + u \log u$	$\log \frac{2p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)}$
GAN	$\int p(x) \log \frac{2p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} + q(x) \log \frac{2q(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} dx - \log(4)$	$u \log u - (u+1) \log(u+1)$	$\log \frac{p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)}$

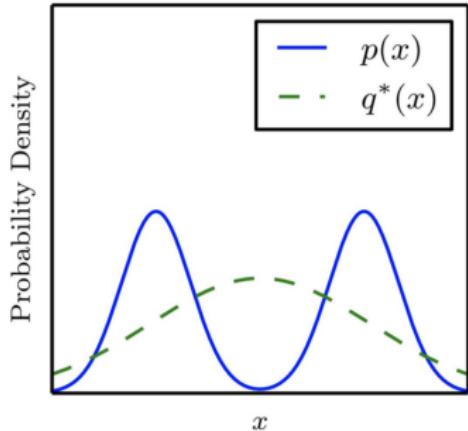
For each non-trivial  $f$ , there is an important paper come out<sup>6</sup>.

<sup>6</sup>Least square GAN

# Shared limitations

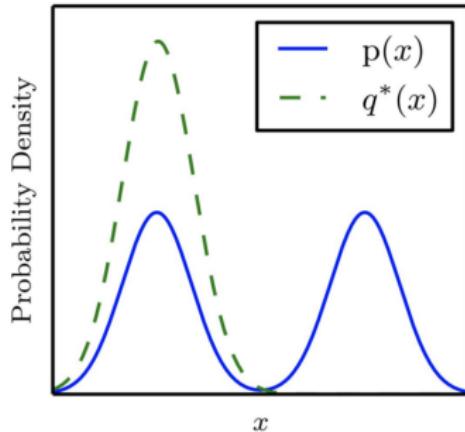
For divergence-based distance, there is a trade off between model covering and perceptual satisfaction:

$$q^* = \operatorname{argmin}_q D_{\text{KL}}(p\|q)$$



Maximum likelihood

$$q^* = \operatorname{argmin}_q D_{\text{KL}}(q\|p)$$



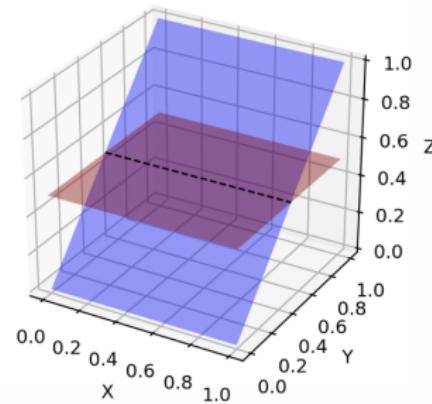
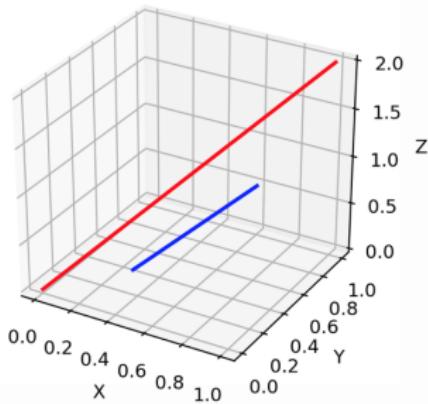
Reverse KL

- picking one mode generate good looking images
- captures more modes generate blur images

One possible reason: It is not proper to use JSD to measure the distance of two distributions.<sup>7</sup>

Why?(Three lemma)

- Because  $P_r$  and  $P_g$  are two lower-dimensional sub-manifolds.
- The probability for  $P_r$  and  $P_g$  "not perfect align" is 1
- If  $P_r, P_g$  don't perfect align, then there is always a perfect discriminator  $D$ (Takes 1 on  $P_r$ , 0 on  $P_g$ ).



<sup>7</sup>Towards Principle Methods for Training GAN

## Theorem

If  $P_r$  and  $P_g$  are two lower-dimensional submanifolds, and they don't perfect align (with probability 1),  $JSD$  between  $P_r$  and  $P_g$  is a constant  $\log 2$ , regardless of their real distance.

Which means, as the convergence of the discriminator to the optimal, it can't provide any guidance to the optimization of  $G$ .

Under a mild condition,  $JSD(P_r||P_g)$  is not continuous w.r.t  $P_g$

Target:

- $P_{g\theta}$  is continuous w.r.t  $\theta$
- $d(P_r||P_g)$  is continuous w.r.t  $P_{g\theta}$

# Wasserstein GAN<sup>8</sup>

Wasserstein distance(Earth mover distance):

$$W(P_r, P_g) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(P_r, P_g)} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \gamma} [| |x - y| |] \quad (9)$$

Property:

- If  $g_\theta$  is continuous w.r.t.  $\theta$ , then  $W(P_r, P_{g_\theta})$  is continuous w.r.t  $\theta$
- If  $g_\theta$  is local Lipschitz,  $W(P_r, P_{g_\theta})$  is continuous and differentiable a.e.

## Comparison:

- TV Distance:  $\delta(P_r||P_g) = \sup_{A \in \Sigma} |p_r(A) - p_g(A)|$
- KL Divergence:  $KL(P_r||P_g) = \int \log\left(\frac{p_r(x)}{p_g(x)}\right)p_r(x)d\mu(x)$
- JSD:  $JSD(P_r||P_g) = KL(P_r||\frac{1}{2}(P_r + P_g)) + KL(P_g||\frac{1}{2}(P_r + P_g))$

Which tells:

- $\delta(P_r||P_g) \rightarrow 0 \iff JSD(P_r||P_g) \rightarrow 0$  Norm induced by JSD and TV are equivalent
- $KL(P_g||P_r) \rightarrow 0 \implies JSD(P_r||P_g) \rightarrow 0 \implies W(P_r||P_g) \rightarrow 0$
- KL gives strongest topology, then comes JSD, W distance gives the weakest topology.

Why?

Because W convergence correspond to convergence in distribution.

# Implementation

Kantorovich Rubinstein duality:

$$W(P_r || P_{g_\theta}) = \sup_{\|f\|_L \leq 1} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[f(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_{g_\theta}}[f(x)] \quad (10)$$

Now, we can apply parameterize the distance:

$$\min_{\theta} \max_w \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[f_w(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim P(z)}[f_w(g_\theta(z))] \quad (11)$$

with the constraint  $Lip(f) \leq 1$ .

How to let the nn satisfies the constraint:

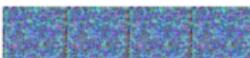
- In WGAN, they use weight clipping, this operation will greatly reduce function space
- In WGAN-GP<sup>9</sup>, a better method is proposed.

$$\max_w \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[f_w(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{x} \sim P_g}[f_w(\tilde{x})] + \lambda \mathbb{E}_{\hat{x} \sim P_{\hat{x}}}[(\|\nabla_{\hat{x}} f_w(\hat{x})\|^2 - 1)^2], \quad (12)$$

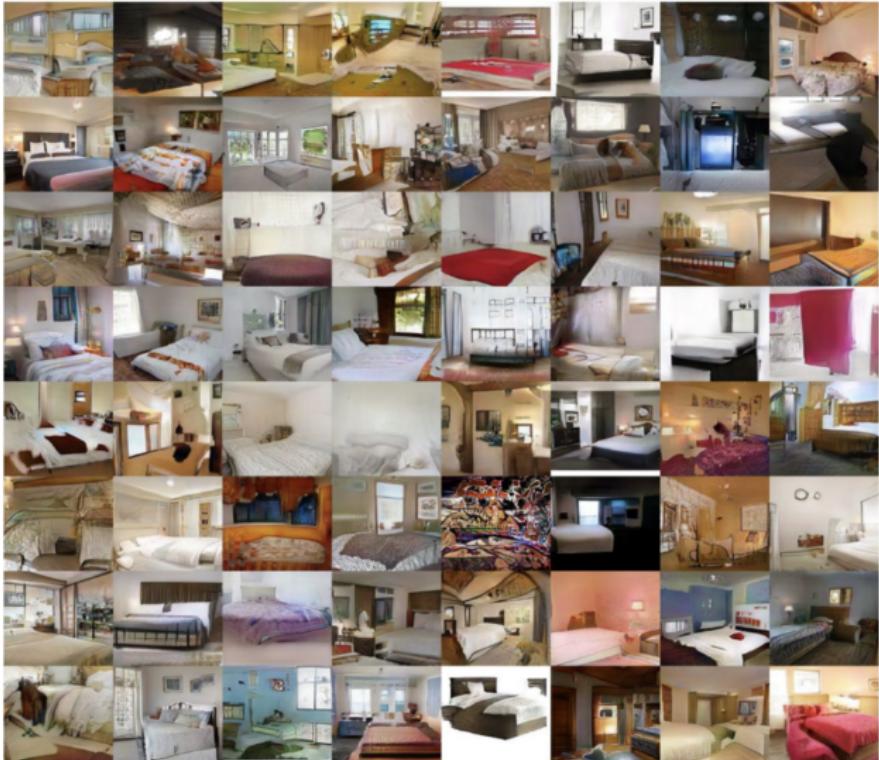
where  $\hat{x} = \beta x + (1 - \beta)\tilde{x}$ .

- robust versus architectures
- generate high quality images
- more cutting-edge architectures used resnet, widely used (2000+ citation)

# Robust versus architecture

DCGAN	LSGAN	WGAN (clipping)	WGAN-GP (ours)	
Baseline ( $G$ : DCGAN, $D$ : DCGAN)				
$G$ : No BN and a constant number of filters, $D$ : DCGAN				
$G$ : 4-layer 512-dim ReLU MLP, $D$ : DCGAN				
No normalization in either $G$ or $D$				
Gated multiplicative nonlinearities everywhere in $G$ and $D$				
tanh nonlinearities everywhere in $G$ and $D$				
101-layer ResNet $G$ and $D$				

# High quality images:



# Spectral Normalization GAN<sup>10</sup>

For now, GANs are able to generate high quality images of small size, next target: Imagenet.

How to revise this Lipschitz constraint.

Consider the discriminator of the form:

$$f(x, \theta) = W^{L+1} a_L(W^L(a_{L-1}(\dots a_1(W^1(x))\dots))) \quad (13)$$

Three lemma used:

- For a linear function  $Y = WX$ , the Lipschitz constant M for function is exactly the spectral norm of the matrix  $W$ .
- $\|h_1 \cdot h_2\|_{Lip} \leq \|h_1\|_{Lip} \|h_2\|_{Lip}$ .
- For ReLU, Lipschitz constant is 1.

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<sup>10</sup>spectral normalization for generative adversarial networks

pseudo code: normal WGAN, but each linear layer in discriminator is followed by a spectral normalization  $W = W/\sigma(W)$ .  
To avoid heavy computation, they replace SVD with power method, also prove the back-propogation for power method.



Miyato et al 2017



First time able to train on full Imagenet. Simpler than WGAN-GP.

So far, we finish the GANs model section, next section is about comparison with VAE<sup>11</sup> and GMMN.<sup>1213</sup>

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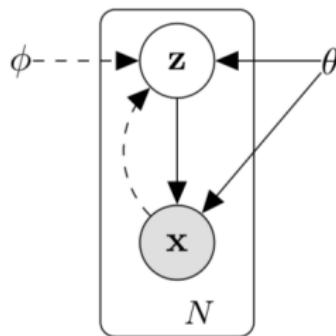
<sup>11</sup>Auto-Encoding Variational Bayes

<sup>12</sup>Training generative neural networks via Maximum Mean Discrepancy optimization

<sup>13</sup>Generative Moment Matching Networks

# Comparison of popular generative models

VAE: graphical models, data generation process can be summarized in figure:



Because the intractable of posterior of  $P(Z|X)$ , so they use an auxiliary normal distribution  $Q(Z|X)$  to approximate  $P(Z|X)$ .

Loss function:

$$\log p_\theta(X) \geq E_{z \sim q(z|x)} \log p_\theta(x|z) - D_{KL}(q(z|x)||p_\theta(z)) \quad (14)$$

$$= E_{z \sim q(z|x)} \log p_\theta(z, x) + H(q(z|x)) \quad (15)$$

- The first term is the joint log-likelihood of the complete data under the approximate posterior
- The second term is the entropy of the approximated posterior. If the  $q(z|x)$  is taken as a normal distribution, the maximization of the entropy encourage the variance to be bigger, rather than collapse to a single point.

## VAEs Pro:

- clear mechanism behind
- no mode collapse
- stable to train

## VAEs Cons:

- Generate blurry images (Lots of work claim this is the universal problem for all MLE method)



# Moment Matching Networks

GMMN (generative moment matching networks), it contains only one branch, no need of the discriminator or encoder.

Based on What?

If  $P$  and  $Q$  are same distributions, then all orders moment of the  $P$  and  $Q$  should be same under any kind of transformation  $f$

$$P = Q \iff \forall f, E_{x \sim p(x)} f(x) = E_{x \sim q(x)} f(x) \quad (16)$$

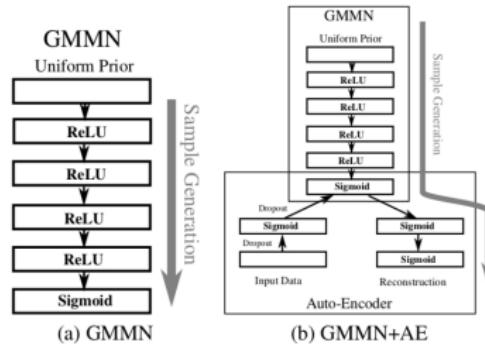
Thus, the measurement of the distance can be formed as

$$L_{MMD}^2 = \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \Phi(x_i) - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M \Phi(y_j) \right\|^2 \quad (17)$$

However, instead of parameterizing the function  $\Phi$ ,  $\langle \Phi(x_i), \Phi(y_j) \rangle$  is replaced with  $K(x_i, y_j)$ .

## Loss function

$$\min_{\theta} \left| \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \Phi(x_i) - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M \Phi(G_{\theta}(z_j)) \right| \right|^2 \quad (18)$$



One can also use a learned kernel in which case, loss function becomes:

$$\min_{\theta} \max_w \left| \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \Phi_w(x_i) - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M \Phi_w(G_{\theta}(z_j)) \right| \right|^2 \quad (19)$$

# Understand GANs from Information Theory<sup>1415</sup>

$Z \sim Ber(\pi)$ ,  $P_r$  real distribution and  $P_g$  generated distribution, there is a random variable  $X$  satisfies:

$$P(X|Z=0) = P_g, P(X|Z=1) = P_r \quad (20)$$

Target: Seeing lots of samples from both  $P_r$  and  $P_g$ , you won't be able to infer  $\pi$ .

Method: minimize the mutual information, which is defined as:

$$I(X, Z) = KL(p(x, z) || p(x)p(z)) \quad (21)$$

$$I(X, Z) = 0 \iff X, Z \text{ are independent} \iff P_r = P_g$$

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<sup>14</sup> InfoGAN:Interpretable Representation Learning by Information Maximising Generative Adversarial

<sup>15</sup> How (not) to train your generative model: scheduled sampling, likelihood, adversarial?



$$\begin{aligned}
 I(X, Z) &= H(Z) + \mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_{Z|X} \log q(z|x) + \mathbb{E}_X KL[p(z|x)||q(y|x)] \\
 &= \max_q H(Z) + \mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_{Z|X} \log q(z|x)
 \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(X, Z) &\geq H(Z) + \max_{\Psi} \mathbb{E}_{X,Z} \log q(z|x; \Psi) \\
 &= H(Z) + \max_{\Psi} \pi \mathbb{E}_{P_r} \log q(1|x; \Psi) + (1 - \pi) \mathbb{E}_{P_g} \log q(0|x; \Psi) \\
 \min I(X, Z) \implies &\min_{g_\theta} \max_{\Psi} \pi \mathbb{E}_{P_r} \log q(1|x; \Psi) + (1 - \pi) \mathbb{E}_{P_g} (1 - \log q(1|x; \Psi))
 \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

If  $\pi = 1/2$ , this minimization of mutual information gives loss function of vanilla GAN.

# A unified model<sup>16</sup>

It is always an elegant thing to give an unify model for various generative models:

## Integral Probability Metrics

$$\gamma_F(P_r, P_g) := \sup_{f \in F} \left| \int_M f dP_r - \int_M f dP_g \right| \quad (24)$$

- Wasserstein distance:  $F = \{f : \|f\|_L \leq 1\}$
- TV distance or Kolmogorov distance:  $F = \{f : \|f\|_\infty \leq 1\}$
- MMD:  $F = \{f : \|f\|_H \leq 1\}$

<sup>16</sup>Non-parametric Estimation of Integral Probability Metrics

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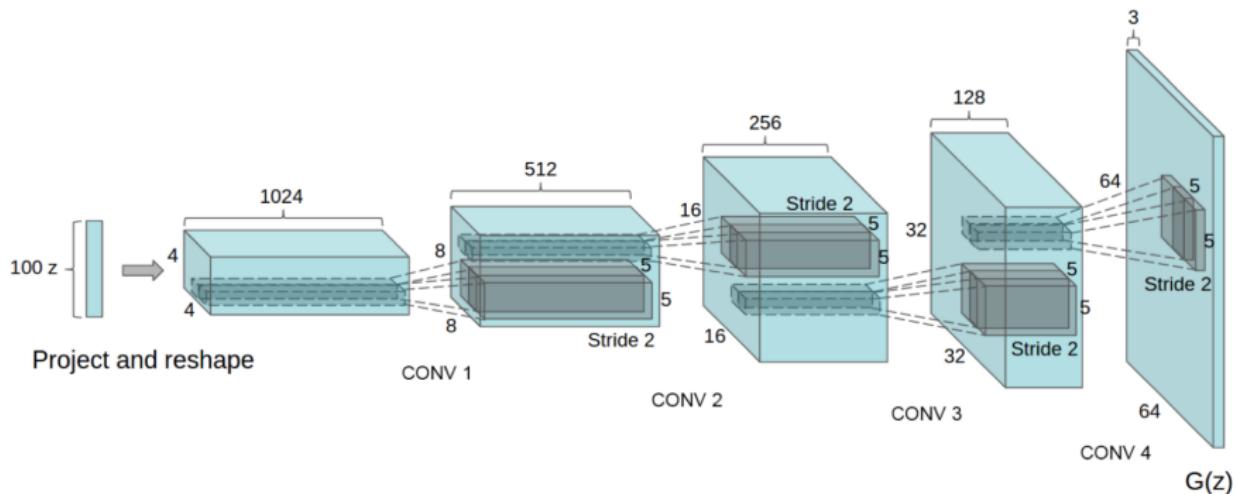
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# DCGAN<sup>17</sup>



<sup>17</sup>Unsupervised Representation Learning with Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Networks

[from lecture slides of UCB]

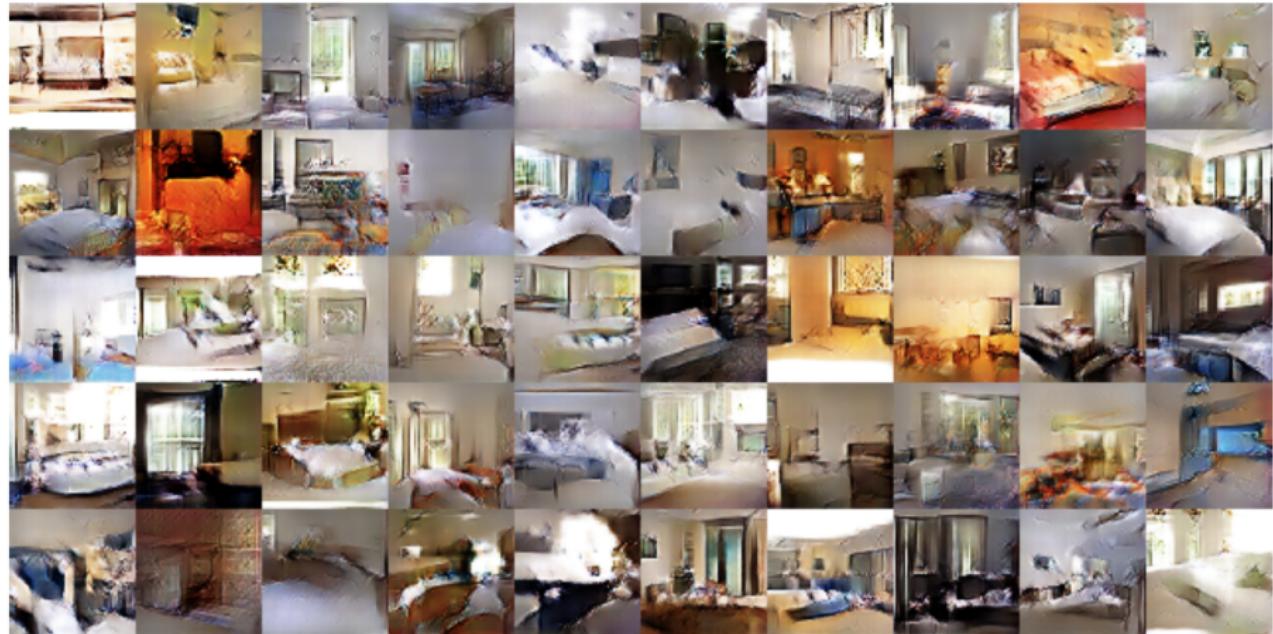
## Supervised Learning CNNs not directly usable

- Remove max-pooling and mean-pooling
- Upsample using transposed convolutions in the generator
- Downsample with strided convolutions and average pooling
- Non-Linearity: ReLU for generator, Leaky-ReLU (0.2) for discriminator
- Output Non-Linearity: tanh for Generator, sigmoid for discriminator
- Batch Normalization used to prevent mode collapse
- Batch Normalization is not applied at the output of G and input of D

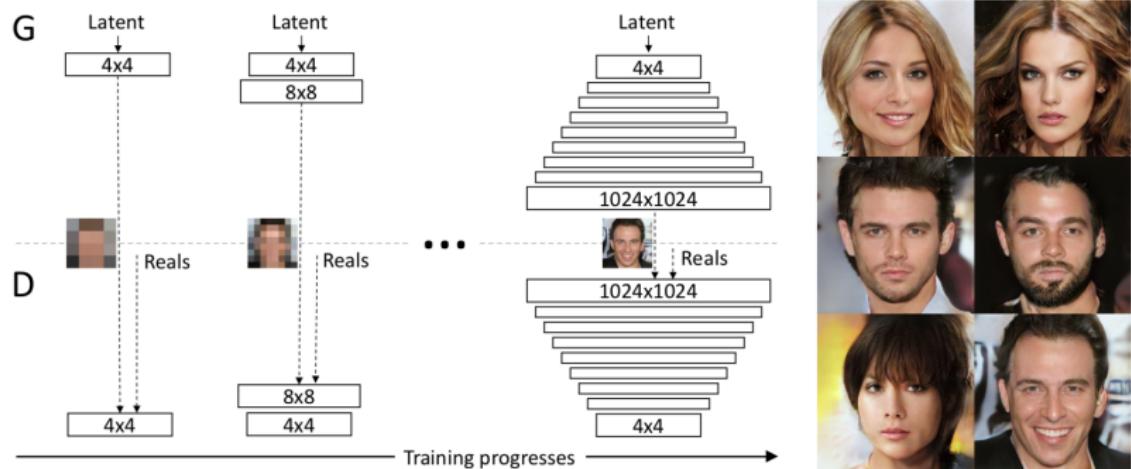
## Optimization details

- Adam: small LR - 2e-4; small momentum: 0.5, batch-size: 128

## First visually accepted results:



# Progressive GAN<sup>18</sup>



- WGAN-GP framework + Engineering work
- For  $G$ : nearest neighbor filtering, for  $D$ : avg-pooling
- Progressive adding resolution for  $G$  and  $D$
- Batch normalization is important
- We adding new layer for  $G$  and  $D$ , previous layers are trainable.

<sup>18</sup>Progressive Growing of GANs for Improved Quality, Stability, and Variation

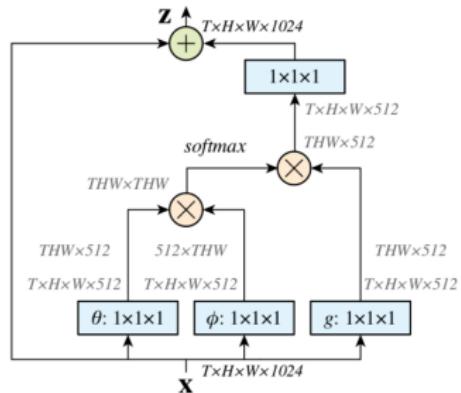
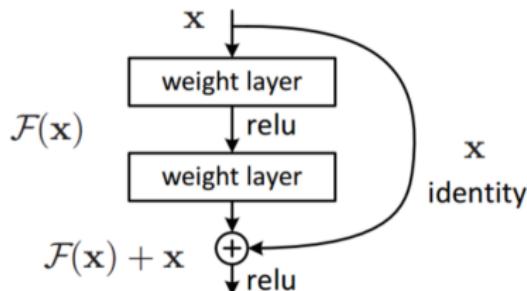
Really exciting results images of size  $1024 \times 1024$



It is widely accepted that a conditional version of GAN help the generating tasks, for example: conditional GAN<sup>19</sup>, AC-GAN<sup>20</sup>, BigGAN<sup>21</sup>.

For BigGAN:

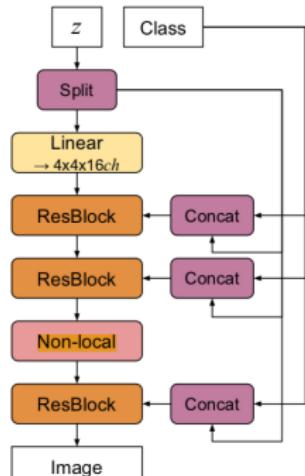
- Residual block are used
- Non-local block are used
- Constrains the Lipschitz constant via an implicit regularizer  
(Compared with SN-GAN):  $\|W^T W - I\|_F^2$  in the loss.



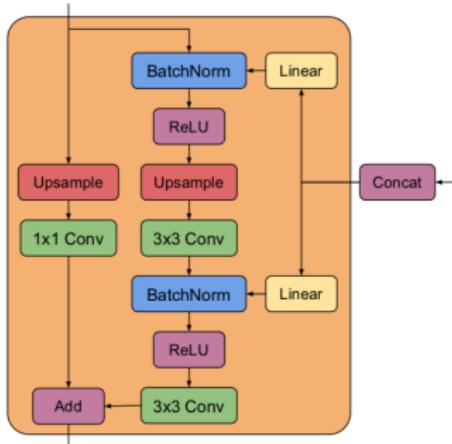
<sup>19</sup>Conditional Generative Adversarial Nets

<sup>20</sup>Conditional Image Synthesis With Auxiliary Classifier GANs

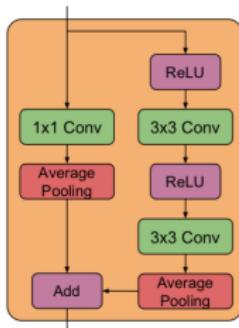
# Architecture of BigGAN



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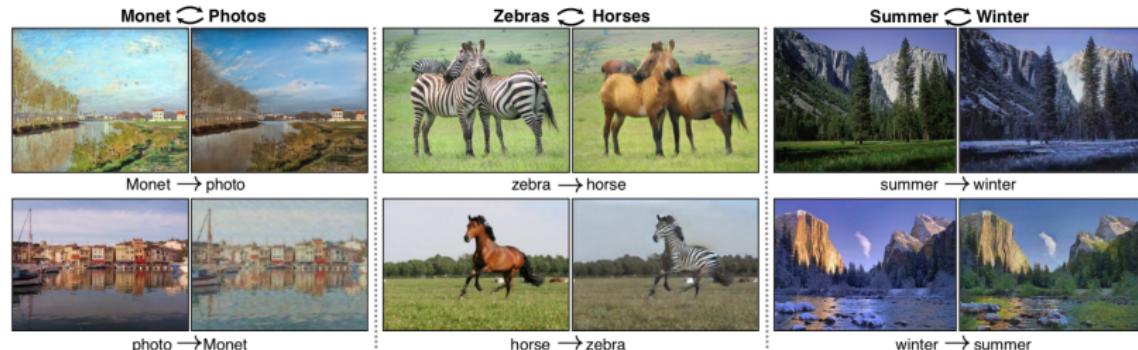


(c)



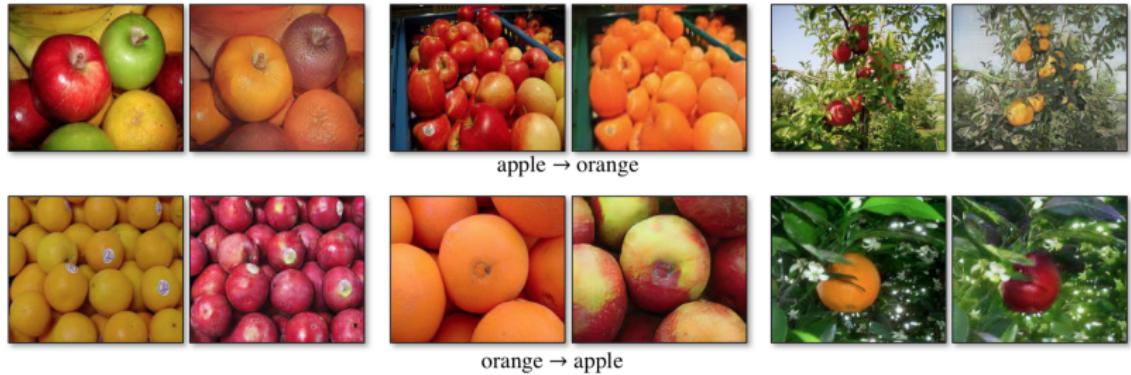
# Other applications

Cycle GAN<sup>22</sup>: 4000+ citation, widely use in image to image translation, combining with U-net is a very powerful tool in medical image processing: Cross-modality image synthesis.

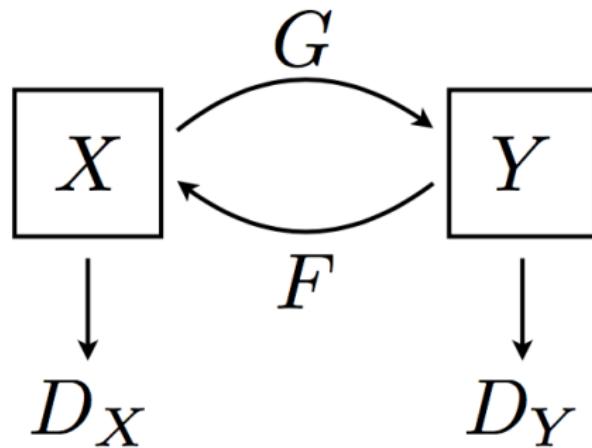


Unsupervised framework: no need of image pairs during training.

<sup>22</sup>Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation using Cycle-Consistent Adversarial Networks ↗ ↘ ↙ ↘



Vanilla GANs can transform the style but can't keep the content



Aiming at:

$$F(G(x)) = x, \quad \forall x \in X \quad G(F(y)) = y, \quad \forall y \in Y \quad (25)$$

The loss function for Generator

$$L(G, F, D_X, D_Y) = L_{GAN}(G, D_Y, X, Y) + L_{GAN}(F, D_X, Y, X) + \lambda L_{cyc}(G, F)$$

in which

$$L_{GAN}(G, D_Y, X, Y) = \mathbb{E}_{y \sim P_Y} [\log D_Y(y)] + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_X} [\log(1 - D_Y(G(x)))]$$

$$L_{cyc}(G, F) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_X} [| | F(G(x)) - X | |_1] + \mathbb{E}_{y \sim P_Y} [| | G(F(y)) - y | |_1]$$

$$G^*, F^* = \arg \min_{F, G} \max_{D_X, D_Y} L(G, F, D_X, D_Y)$$

# Beyond image generation

Adversarial samples<sup>23</sup>: Perturbation-based adversarial examples: mis-classified images that lie on the neighbor of a correctly-classified images.

Unrestricted adversarial examples: images which are classified differently from oracle.

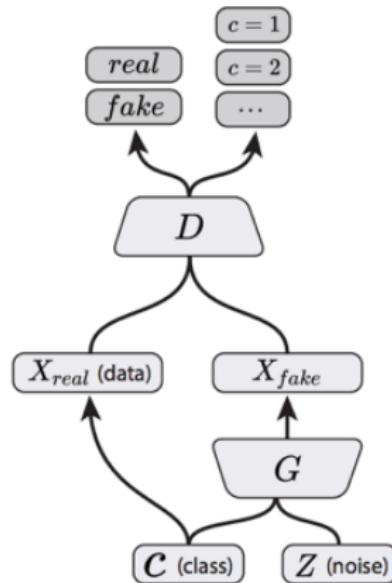
Different adversarial examples:



- formulation: WGAN-GP
- architecture: AC-GAN<sup>24</sup>

<sup>23</sup>Constructing Unrestricted Adversarial Examples with Generative Models

<sup>24</sup>Conditional Image Synthesis With Auxiliary Classifier GANs



AC-GAN  
(Present Work)

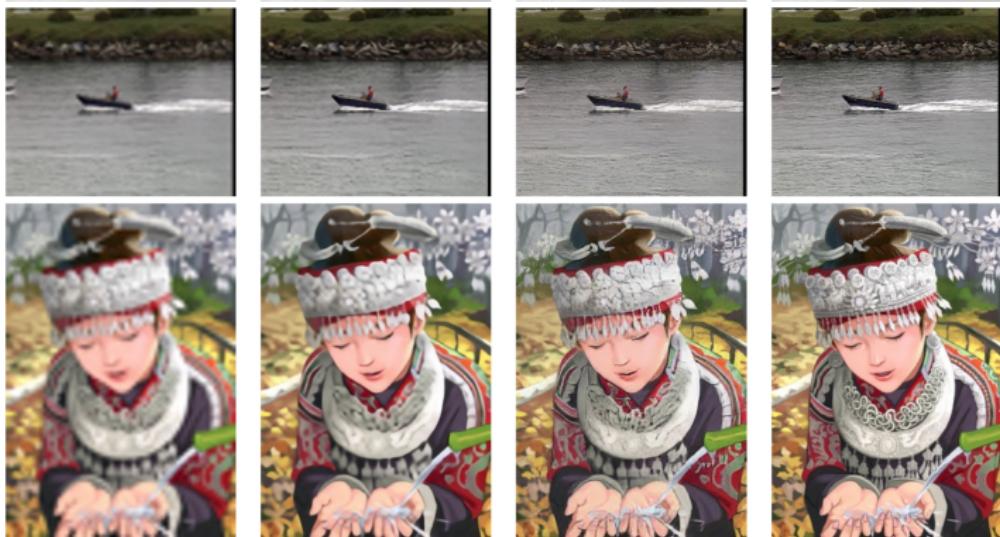
## Loss function for WGAN-GP

$$\max_w \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_r}[f_w(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{x} \sim P_g}[f_w(\tilde{x})] + \lambda \mathbb{E}_{\hat{x} \sim P_{\hat{x}}}[(\|\nabla_{\hat{x}} f_w(\hat{x})\|^2 - 1)^2], \quad (26)$$

Loss for adversarial attack:

$$\begin{aligned} l_2 &= \log c(y_{source} | g(z, y_{source})) \\ l_1 &= \log f(y_{target} | g(z, y_{source})) \\ l_o &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \max(|z_i - z_i^0| - \epsilon, 0) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

## image super-resolution<sup>25</sup> (3000+ citation)



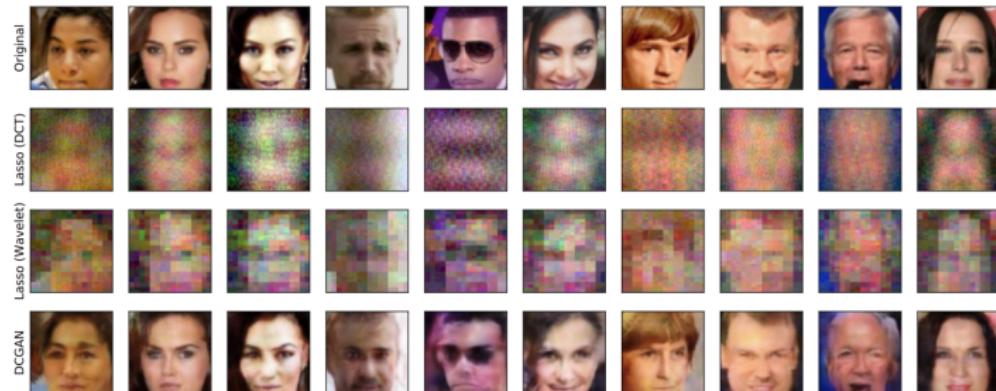
Reconstruct 4 pixels from 1 pixel.

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<sup>25</sup>Photo-Realistic Single Image Super-Resolution Using a Generative Adversarial Network

# Compressive Sensing<sup>26</sup>

Compressed Sensing using Generative Models: faster convergence rate + better results.



Reconstruction from 500 measurements (of  $n = 12288$  dimensional vector)

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