

# Poor man's survey on Generative Models

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# What is generative modeling?[1]

Today I will use the following definition of a generative model:

*A model is generative if it places a joint distribution over all observed dimensions of the data.*

# Generative versus discriminative supervised learning[1]

Consider a supervised learning task with features  $X$  and labels  $Y$ :

- Generative models want to learn  $P(X, Y)$ .
- Discriminative models want to learn  $P(Y | X)$ .

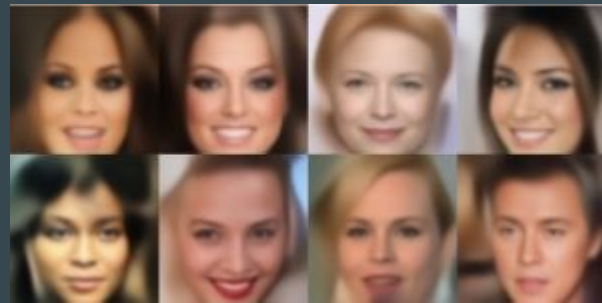
“... one should solve the [classification] problem directly and never solve a more general problem as an intermediate step ...” Vapnik (1998)

- Sample efficiency[2]
- Unsupervised proxy
- Beyond  $P(Y | X)$

# Generative models: beyond $P(Y | X)[1]$

What can you do with a generative model?

- Compute arbitrary conditionals and marginals.
- Compare the probabilities of different examples.
- Reduce the dimensionality of the data.
- Identify interpretable latent structure.
- Fantasize completely new data.



# Generative Methods

- Old methods
- Autoregressive
- Variational methods
- Generative Adversarial Networks
- Flow based
- Energy based
- Mix & Match!

# Old Methods

- GMM
- N-gram
- LDA

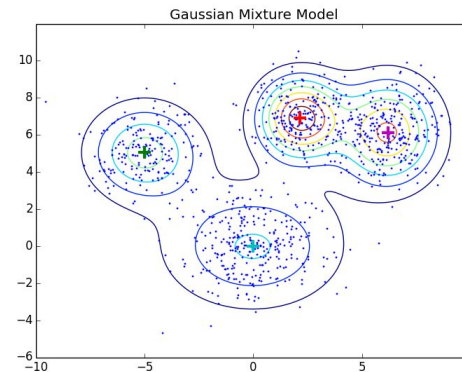
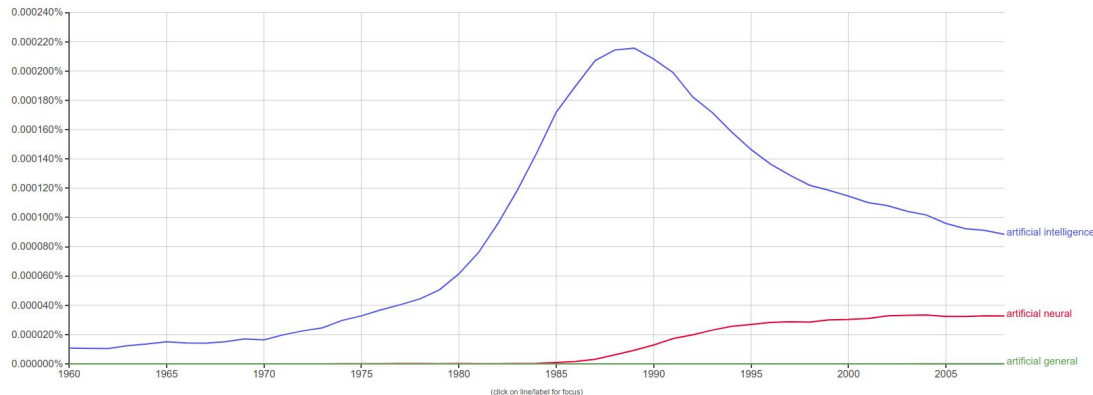
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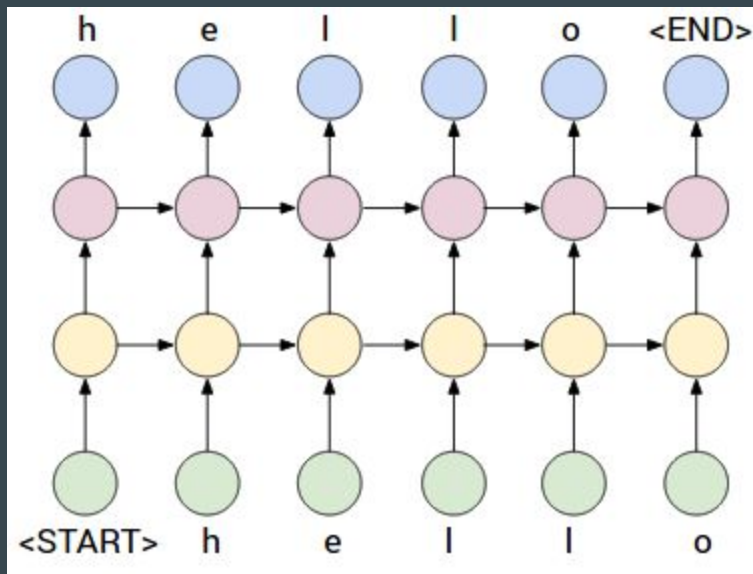
# Autoregressive Models I

Autoregressive generative models over high-dimensional data  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  factor the joint distribution as a product of conditionals:

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})$$

# Autoregressive Models II (text)

Modern Language Modeling[3]



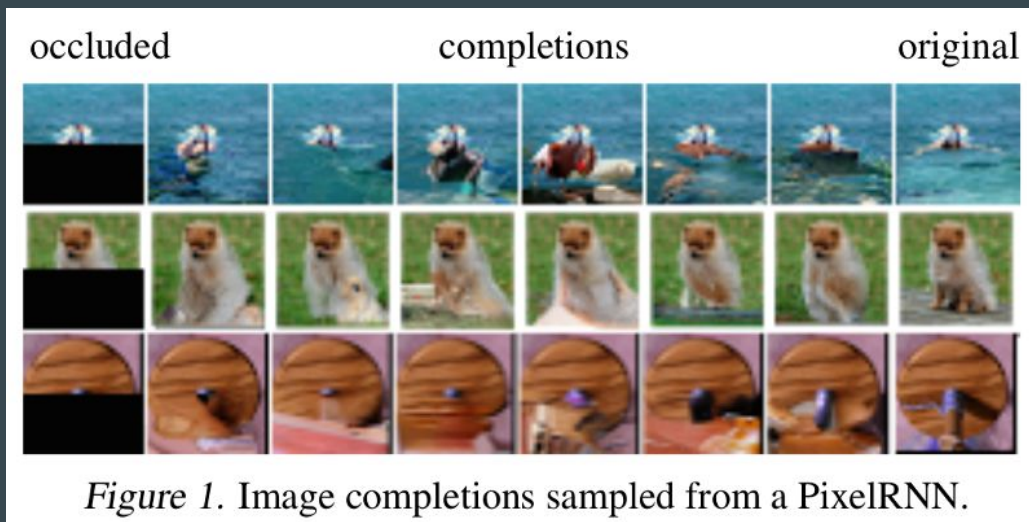


# Autoregressive Models III (image)

- Pixel RNN[4]
- Pixel CNN[5]

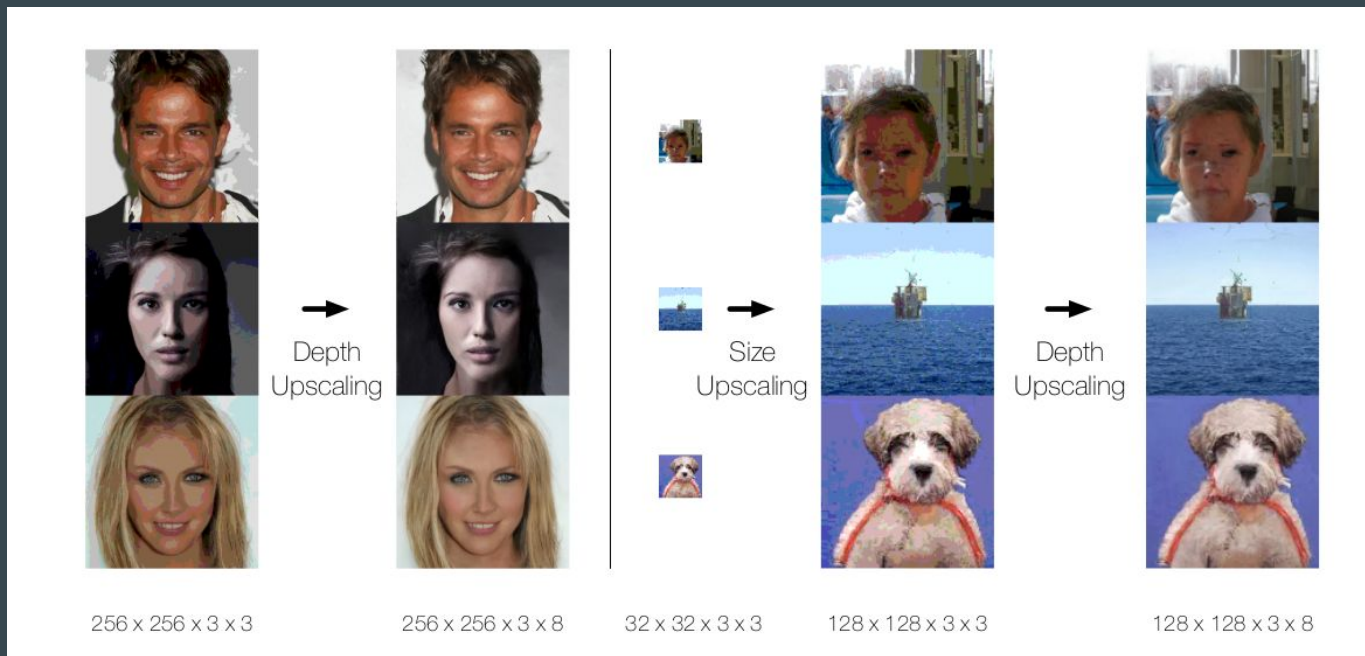
Difficulties:

- Order
- Speed



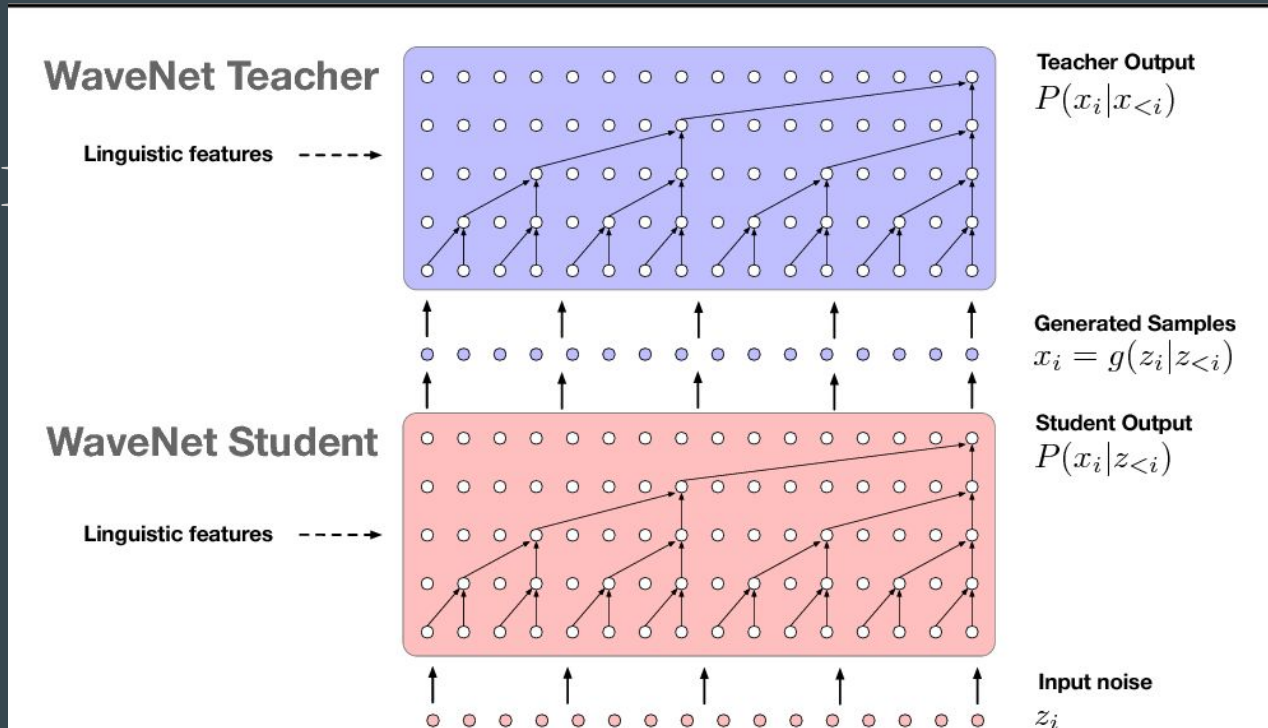
# Autoregressive Models IV (image++)

- Subscale pixel networks[6]



# Autoregressive Models V (audio)

- Sample RNN[7]
- WaveNet[8]
- Parallel WaveNet[9]



# Variational Models I

$$\log P(X) = \log P(X|z) + \log P(z) - \log P(z|X)$$

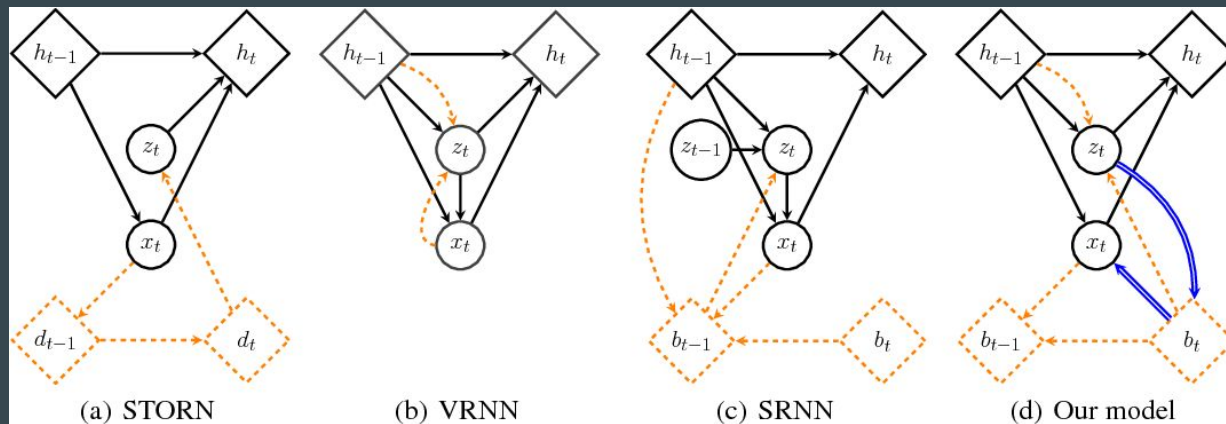
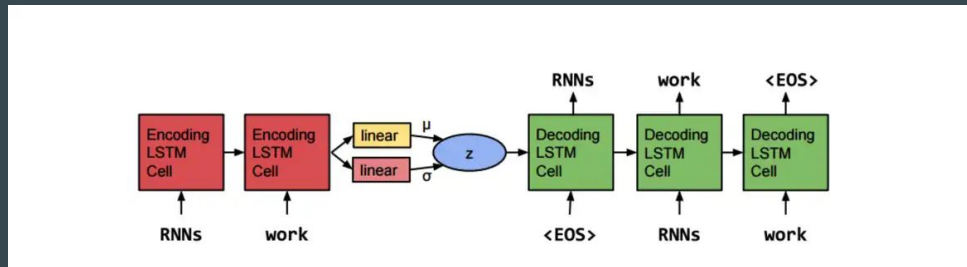
$$E_{z \sim P(z|X)}[\log P(X)] = \log P(X) = E_{z \sim P(z|X)}[\log P(X|z) + \log P(z) - \log P(z|X)]$$

$$\log P(X) = E_{z \sim P(z|X)}[\log P(X|z)] - K_{DL}(P(z|X) || P(z))$$

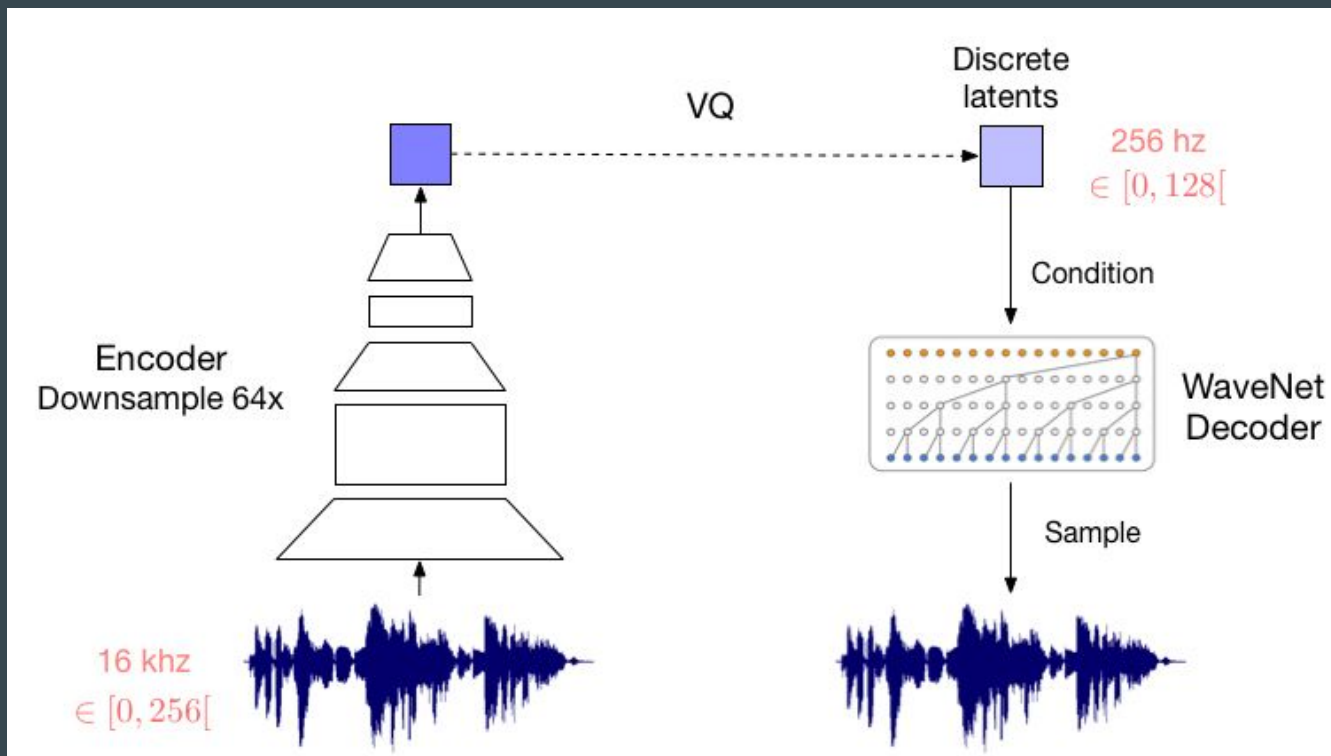
$$\log P(X) - K_{DL}(Q(z|X) || P(z|X)) = E_{z \sim Q(z|X)}[\log P(X|z)] - K_{DL}(Q(z|X) || P(z))$$

# Variational Models II (text)

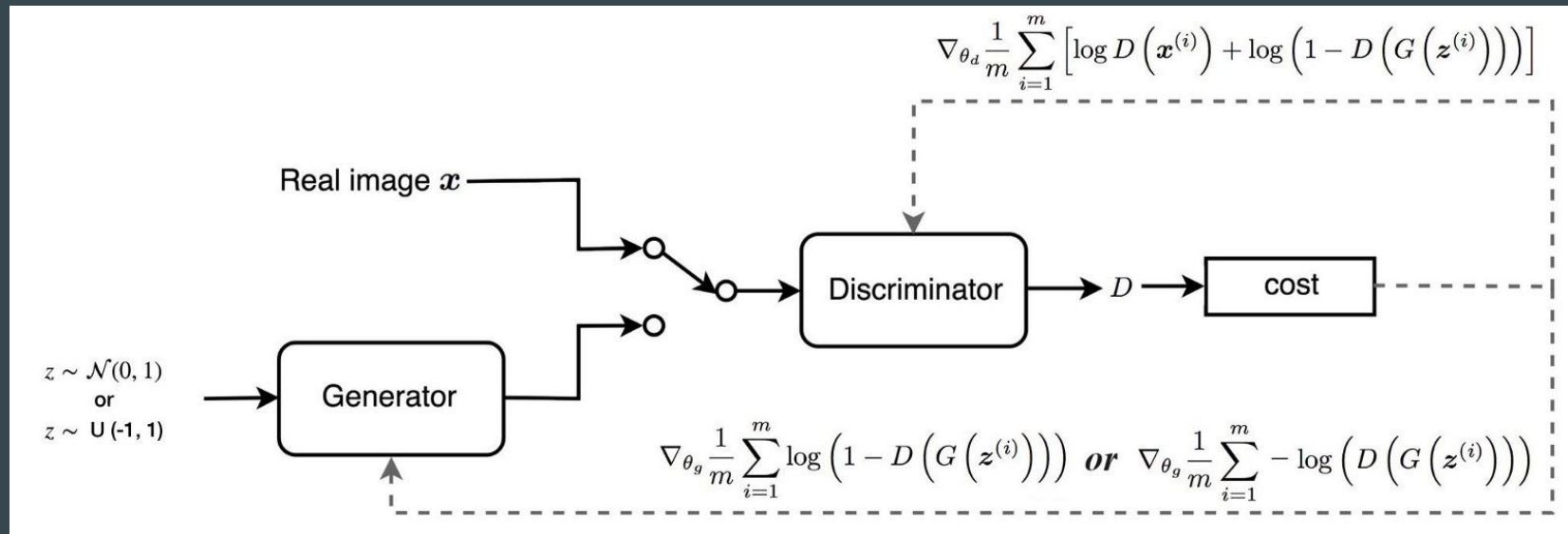
- Text VAE [10]
- Z-Forcing [11]



# Variational Models III (audio) [12]



# GAN I[13]



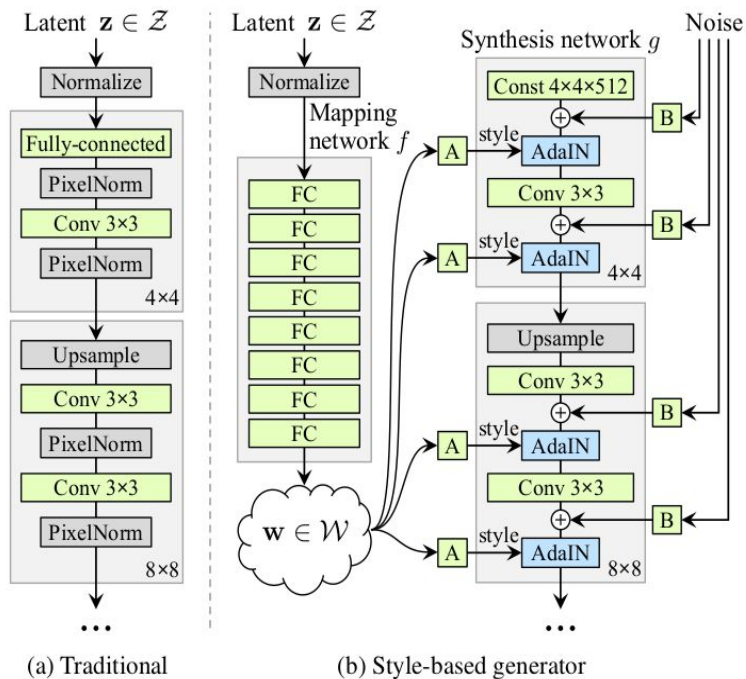


# GAN II (big-gan)[14]



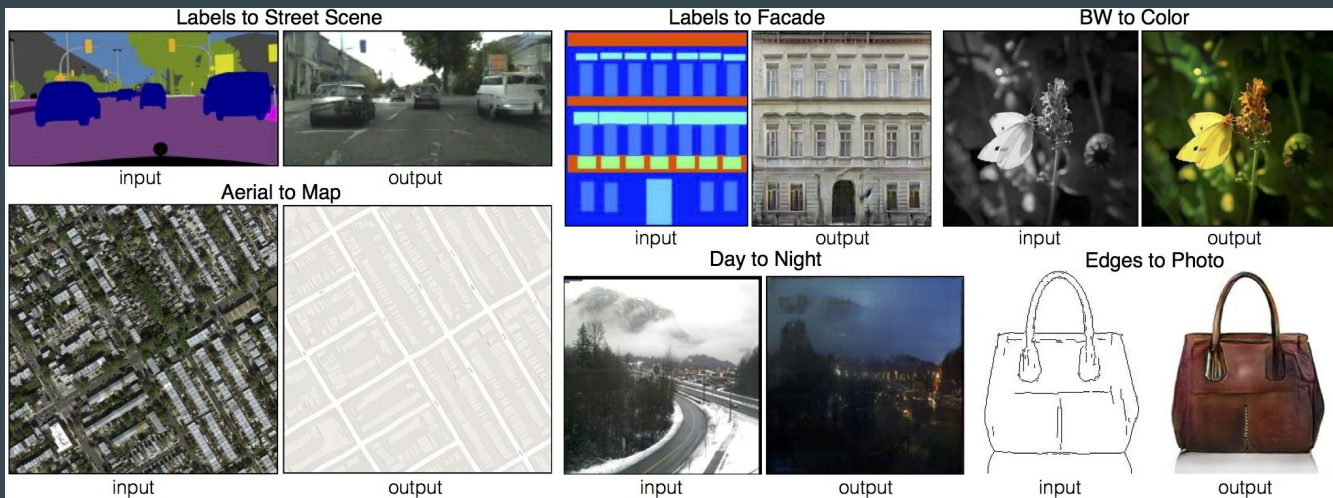
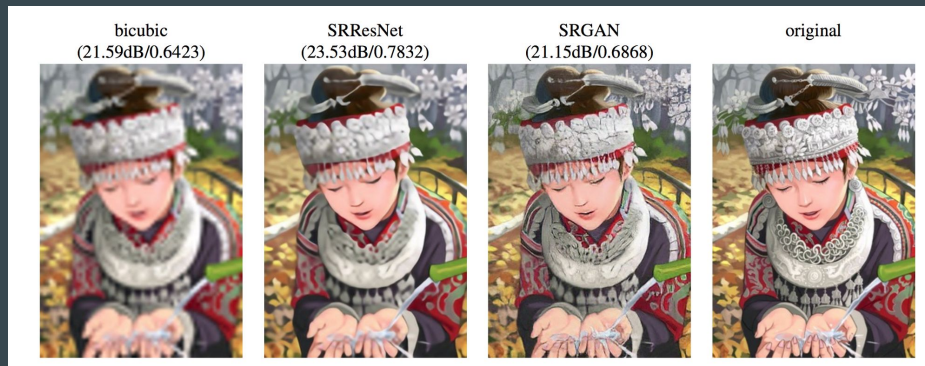


# GAN III (pggan++)[15]



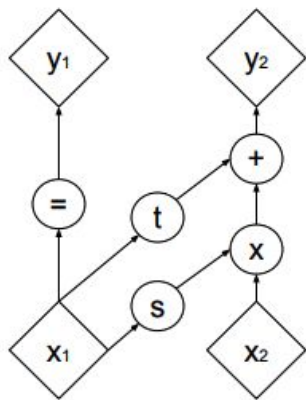
# GAN IV(use cases)

- Pix2pix[16]
- Super res[17]
- Time series prediction[??]

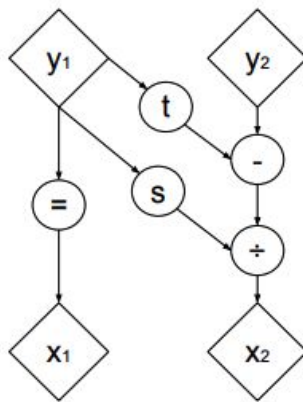


# Flow Based Models I

- Real NVP[18]
- Glow[19]
- FloWaveNet[20]



(a) Forward propagation



(b) Inverse propagation



# Flow Based Models II(ODE)[21, 22]

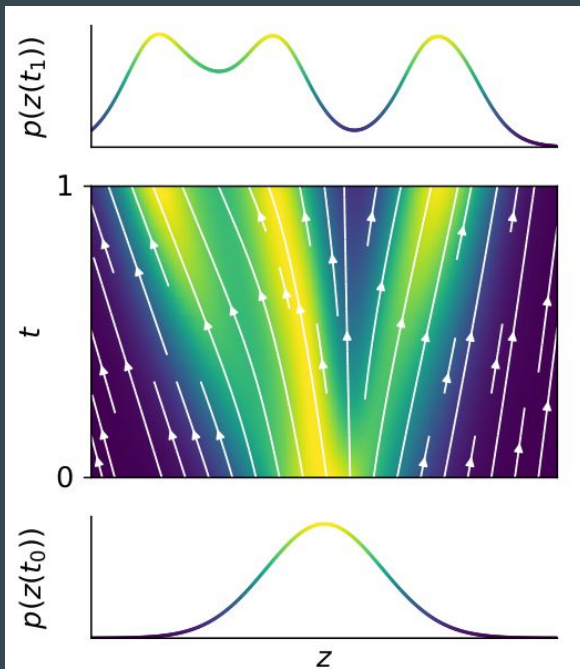


Figure 1: FFJORD transforms a simple base distribution at  $t_0$  into the target distribution at  $t_1$  by integrating over learned continuous dynamics.

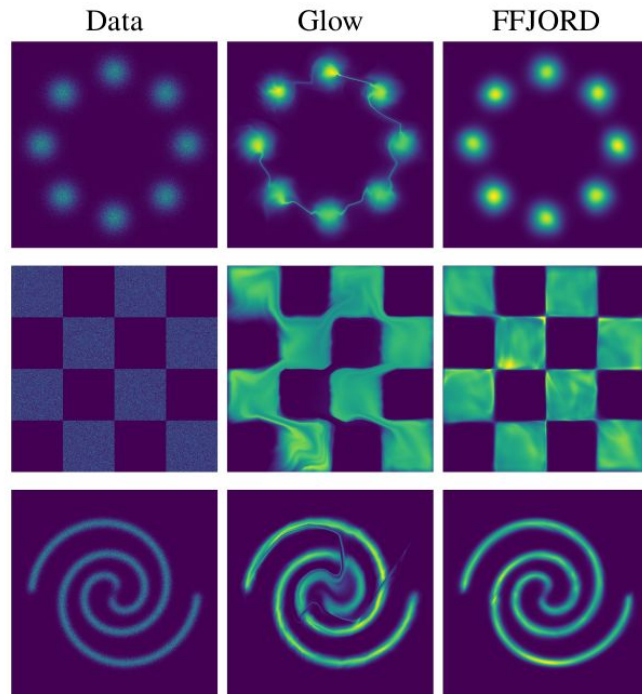
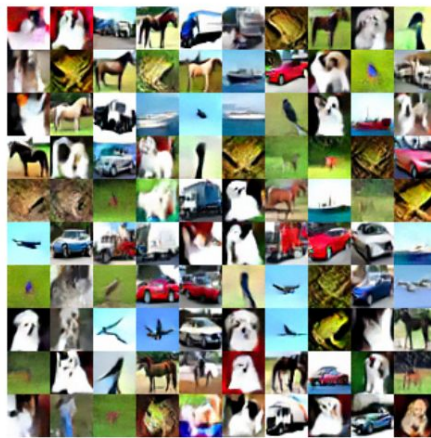


Figure 2: Comparison of trained FFJORD and Glow models on 2-dimensional distributions including multi-modal and discontinuous densities.

# Energy Based Models[23]

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{-E(x;\theta)}}{Z(\theta)}; \quad Z(\theta) = \int e^{-E(y;\theta)} dy$$



(a) conditional CIFAR10 EBM samples

Model	Inception Score
Unconditional CIFAR10	
PixelCNN	4.60
DCGAN	6.40
Ours (single)	6.43
Ours (10 historical ensemble)	<b>6.79</b>
Conditional CIFAR10	
Improved GAN	8.09
Ours	8.52
Spectral Normalization GAN	<b>8.59</b>

(b) Table of Inception Scores

# Mix & Match

- Adversarial AE[24]
- AliGAN[25]
- VAE + PixelCNN[26]
- ODE + VAE[22]
- EBGAN[27]
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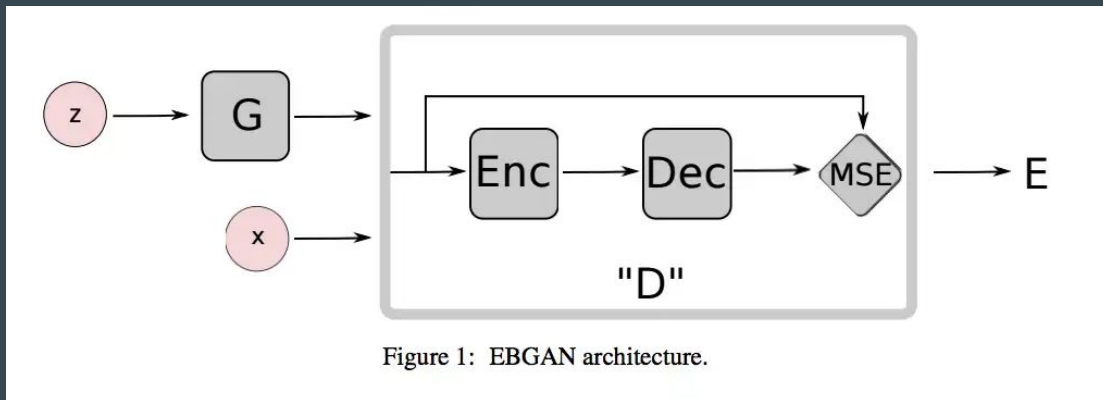
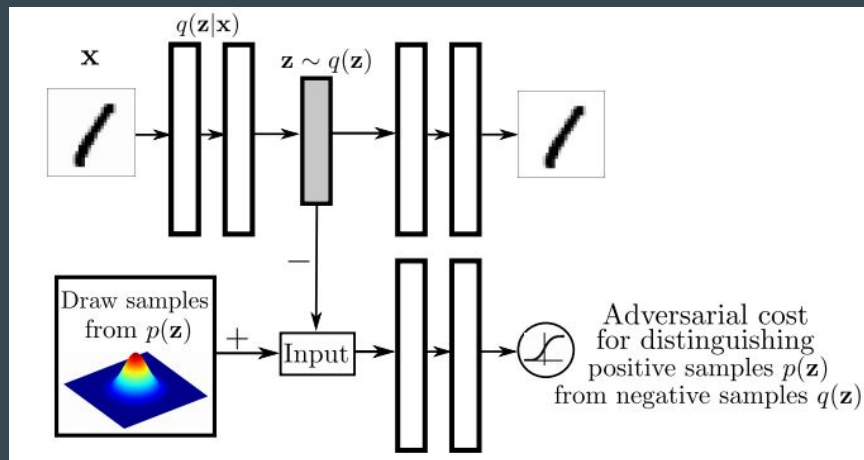


Figure 1: EBGAN architecture.

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