

## Slide material – Section 4 – John Flynn

*Firstly, hopefully someone else has this equation in their slides before mine!*

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

Figure 1: Equation 1

*And Algorithm 1 pseudo code description from page 4.*

## Global optimum for $p_g = p_{data}$

**Prove:** For  $G$  fixed the optimal discriminator  $D$  is

$$D^*_G(x) = \frac{p_{data}(x)}{p_{data}(x) + p_{gen}(x)}$$

For any non-zero  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , the function  $y \rightarrow a \log(y) + b \log(1 - y)$  achieves its maximum in  $[0, 1]$  at  $\frac{a}{a+b}$ .

► Demonstration:

<https://www.desmos.com/calculator/odj1obavmt>

**Theorem 1 summary:** Global minimum achieved  $\iff p_g = p_{data}$

- Since  $\frac{a}{a+a} = 1/2$ , if  $p_g = p_{data}$  then  $D^*_G(x) = 1/2$ .
- Best value for  $V(D^*_G(x)) = -\log 4$ .
- View Kullback-Leibler divergences between  $p_g$  and  $p_{data}$  as Jensen-Shannon divergence.
- JSD zero only when equal, so remaining term must be  $-\log 4$ .
- If  $p_g \neq p_{data}$ , JSD will be non-zero positive, and will add to the  $-\log 4$ , i.e. **not the minimum**.

# Convergence of algorithm

**Proposition 2:** If  $G$  and  $D$  have enough capacity, and at each step of Algorithm 1,  $D$  reaches optimum given  $G$ , and  $p_g$  is updated to improve the criterion then  $p_g$  converges to  $p_{data}$

- ▶ Important assumption:  $G$  and  $D$  need enough capacity!
- ▶ Authors prove by showing:
- ▶  $V(G, D)$  is **convex** as distribution  $p_g$  is varied.
  - ▶ Theorem 1 showed maximum value is unique, so all other values must be less i.e.  $V(G, D)$  is convex.
- ▶ If it's convex, a small enough learning rate will update  $p_g$  allowing it to converge to  $p_{data}$