## Software Engineering: OOP illustrated through **Density Estimating Neural Networks**

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#### **Outline**

#### 1. Monday: Object Oriented Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)

- 1. Self study read the slides (Monday\_VAE..pptx) on your own
- 2. Start the exercise described on slides 47-54
- 3. Any concerns: email TAs and/or bring questions to Tuesday morning lecture

#### 2. Tuesday

- 1. Ask your residual questions about VAEs after having attempted exercise Monday
- 2. New topic: Object Oriented Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)
- 3. New topic: Symbolic debugger: cond breakpoints and call stack traversal

#### 3. Wednesday

- 1. Review observations on VAEs and GANs
- 2. New topic: Object Oriented <u>conditional</u> VAEs (cVAE) and <u>Auxillary Classifier</u> GANs (AKA cGAN or acGAN)
- 3. New topic: Motivate a possible combination of cVAE and cGAN

#### 4. Thursday

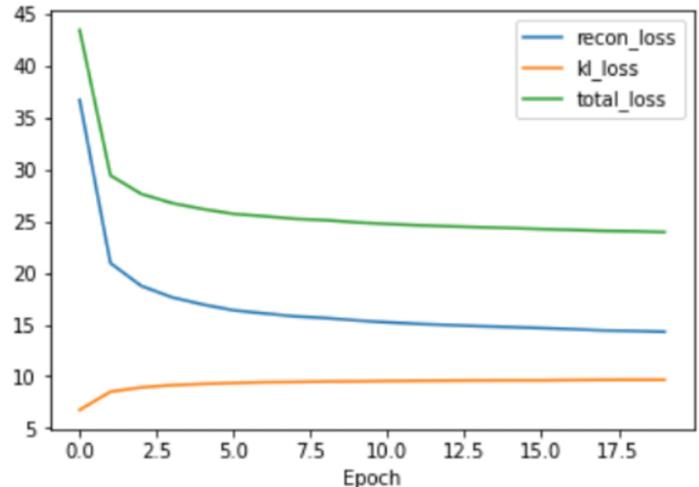
- 1. Review cVAE, cGAN observations
- 2. Review cVAE-cGAN code
- 3. New topic: Hyperparameter optimization
- 4. New topic: training curve and latent space traversal and visualization



## Observations from cVAEs

## Conditional VAE (cVAE) Training curves

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## Conditional VAE Reconstructed images at epoch 1



## Conditional VAE Reconstructed images at epoch 10

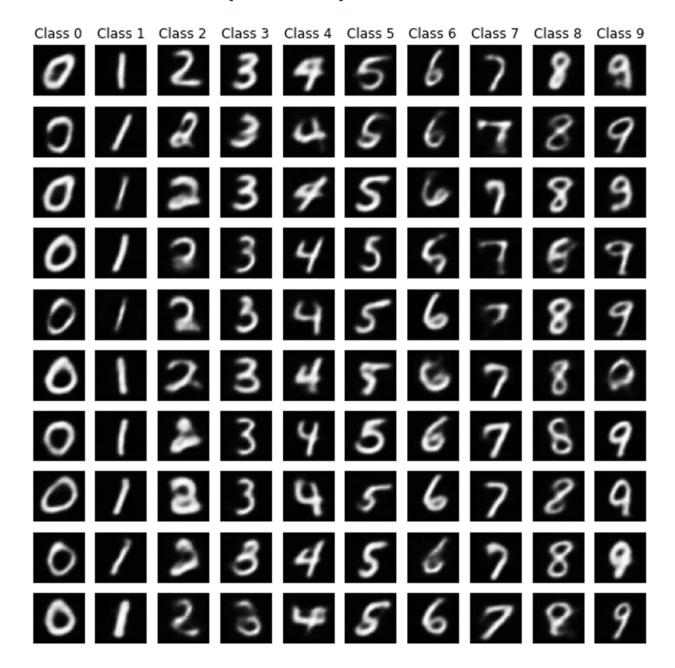


## Conditional VAE Reconstructed images at epoch 20



## Conditional VAE Purely synthesized images at epoch 1

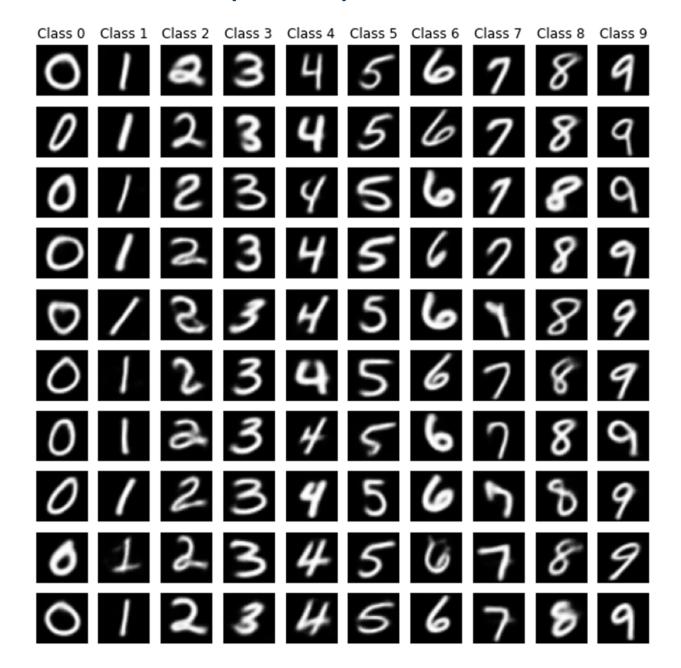
#### Note: Steerable class label (column), 100 different random z's





### Conditional VAE Purely synthesized images at epoch 10

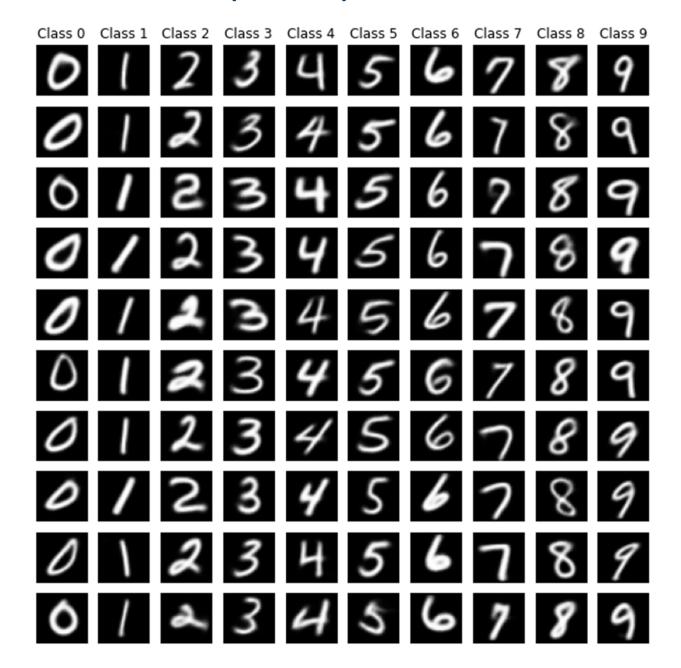
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### Conditional VAE Purely synthesized images at epoch 20

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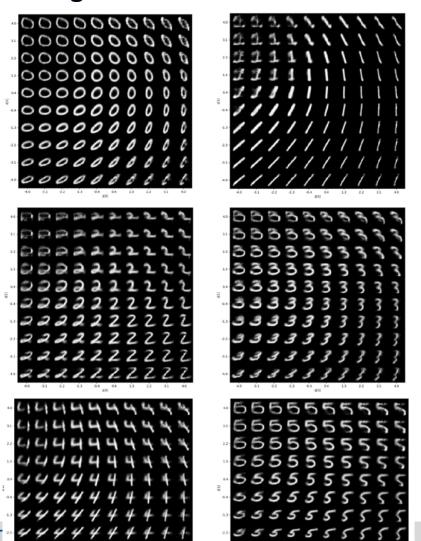


## **Upshot of cVAE results**

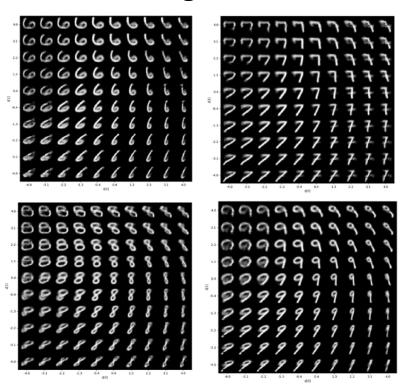
- Good digits are produced
- Strokes are nice and straight, not wavy (better than GAN)
- We can now specify on demand which digits to produce (like a conditional GAN)

## **Upshot of cVAE results**

- We can also traverse the Z space of individual digits, which is smooth and contiguous through the prior we enforced. (better than plain VAE, and GAN simply cannot)
- Digits 0-5



Digits 6-9





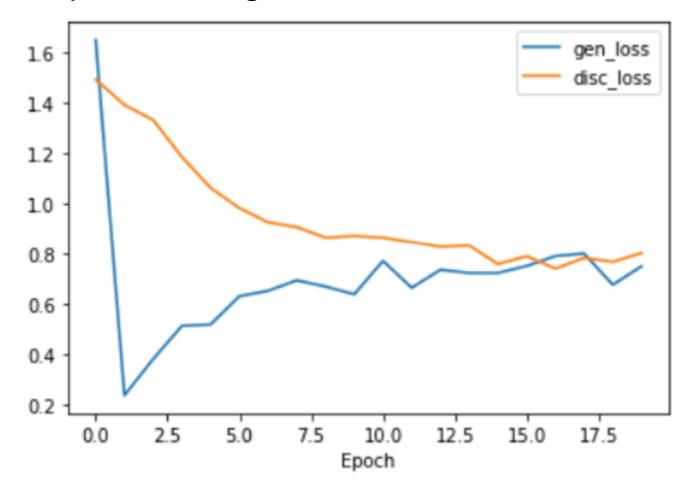
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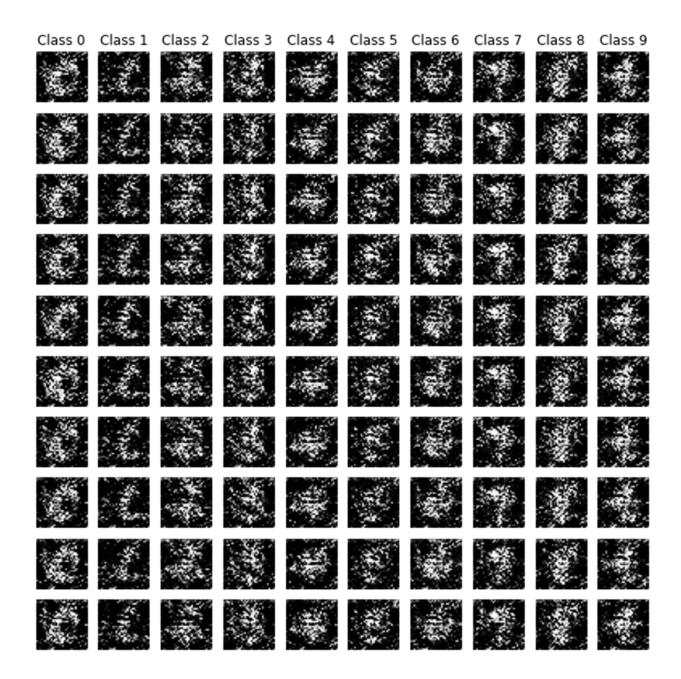
- Borders of digits are still blurry (worse than a GAN)
- Wish we could get the best of both worlds.
- We can...
  - By constructing a cVAE~cACGAN model

# Observations from cGANs (i.e., acGANs)

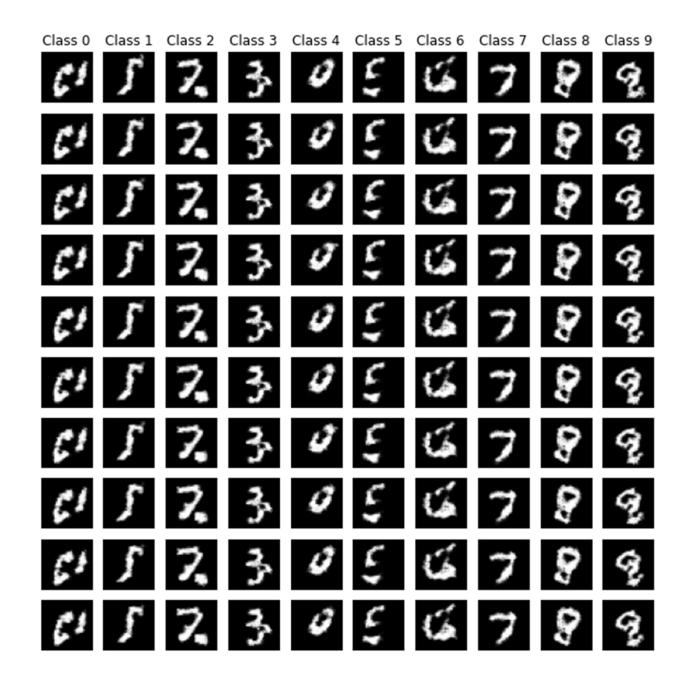
## **ACGAN** Training curves

- 1. Shows evolution of generator and multitask discriminator losses
- 2. We observe that the two compete and reach an equilibrium (middle ground). Nice convergence!

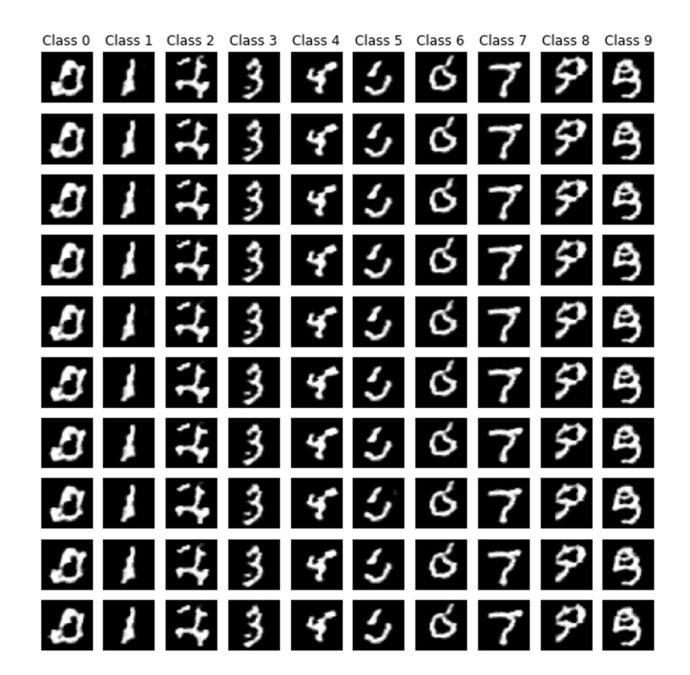




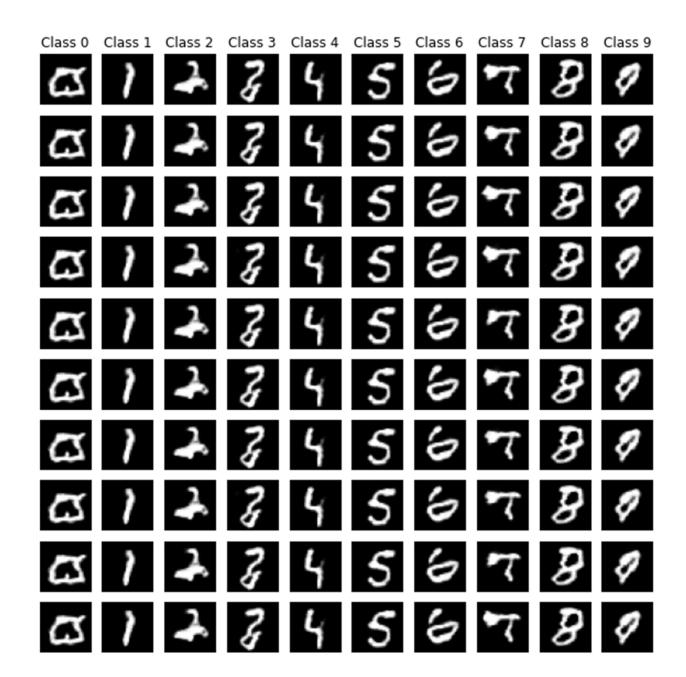










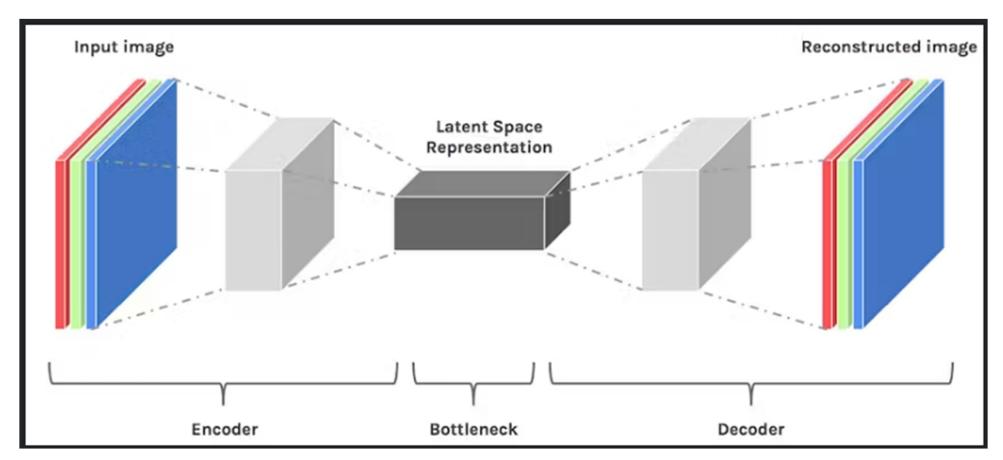




## **Upshot of ACGAN**

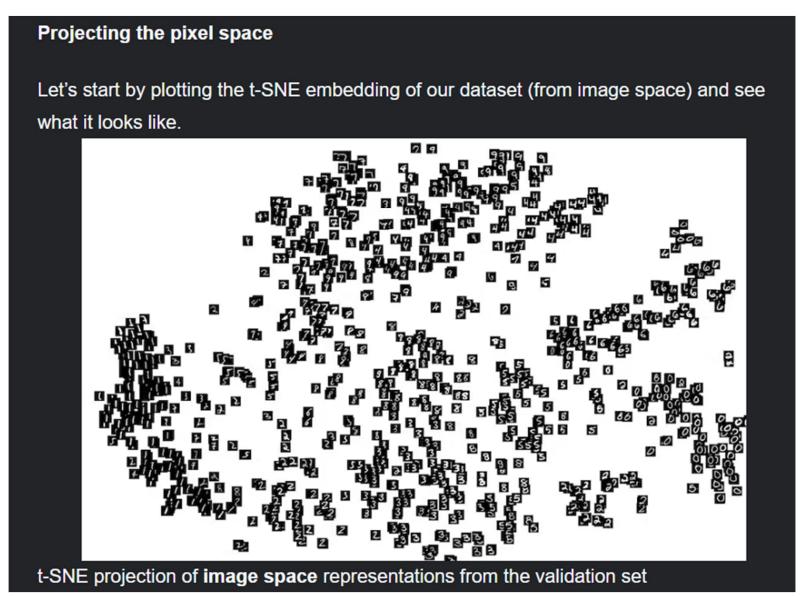
- Easier to get it to converge
- Cleary better results
- Borders of digits are sharp not fuzzy
- The quality is OK, perhaps not great... strokes are wavy

#### Latent space – what is it?



https://hackernoon.com/latent-space-visualization-deep-learning-bits-2-bd09a46920df

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#### Latent space – why do we care?

#### Projecting the latent space

We know that the latent space contains a simpler representation of our images than the pixel space\*\*,\*\* so we can hope that t-SNE will give us an interesting 2-D projection of the latent space.



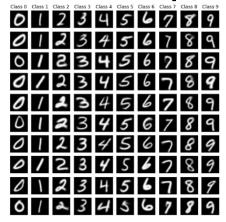
t-SNE projection of latent space representations from the validation set

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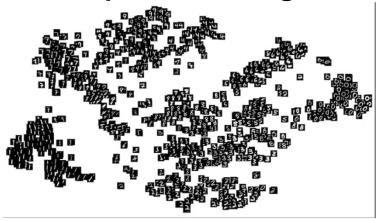
#### Latent space – How can we explore it?

#### There are many ways, but a few examples:

Random Samples + recon

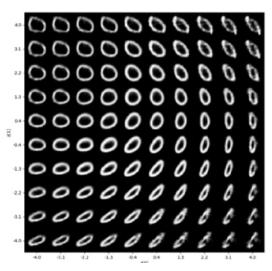


Input embedding:

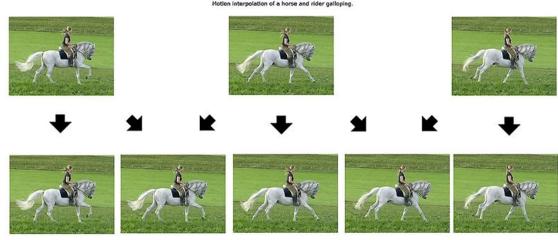


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Grid search



- Interpolation:

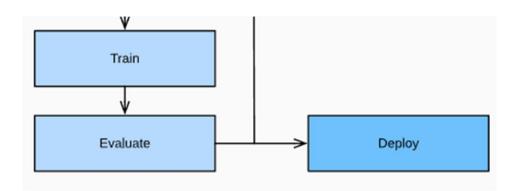


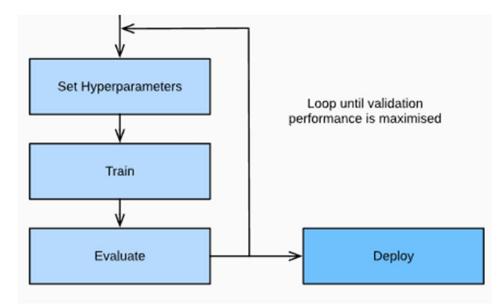
https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Motion\_interpolation\_example.jpg



## **Hyperparameter Optimization (HPO)**

- So we've trained and evaluated our model... are we done?
  - Probably not

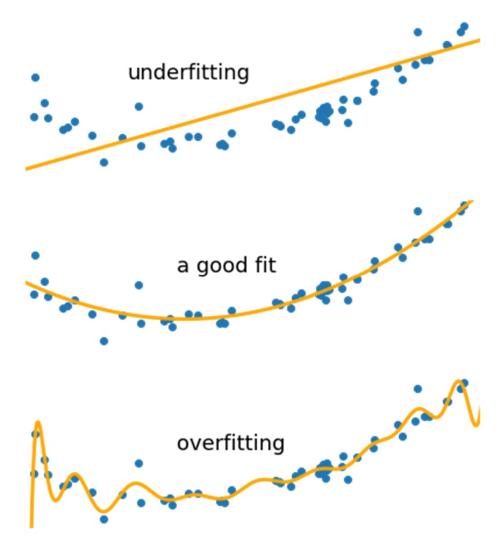




https://d2l.ai/chapter\_hyperparameter-optimization/hyperopt-intro.html

## Why HPO?

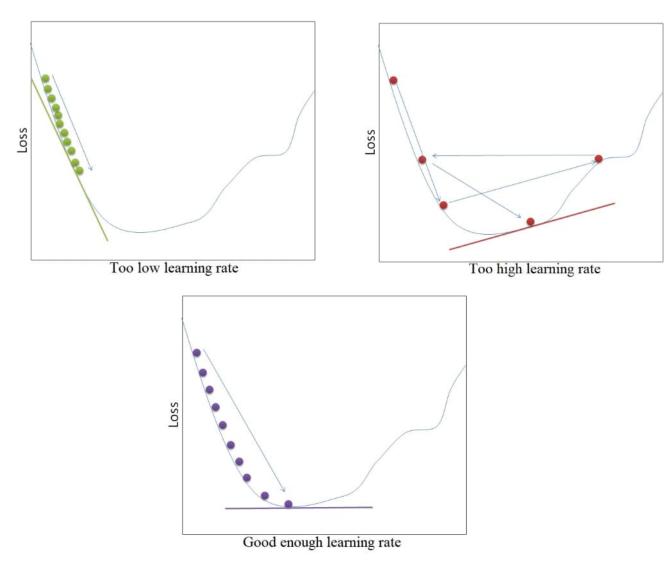
Hyperparameter optimization is a means of tuning our model to make it more generalizable.



https://bookdown.org/gmli64/do\_a\_data\_science\_project\_in\_10\_days/models-underfitting-and-overfitting.html

#### What can we HPO?

#### Let's take for example learning rate:

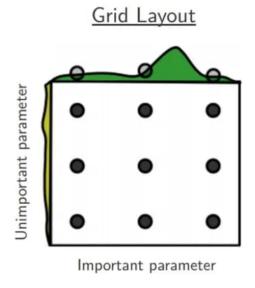


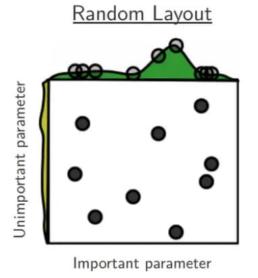
https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2021/05/tuning-the-hyperparameters-and-layers-of-neural-network-deep learning/#:~:text=The%20hyperparameters%20to%20tune%20are.layers%20can%20affect%20the%20accuracy

#### How can we HPO?

Hyperparameter optimization, there are many methods but some of the simplest:

- Manual
- Grid
- Random





The 'world famous' grid search vs. random search illustration by James Bergstra James, Yoshua Bengio on "Random Search for HyperParameter Optimization" (

<a href="http://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume13/bergstra12a/bergstra12a.pdf">https://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume13/bergstra12a/bergstra12a.pdf</a>)

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- For your exercises, you've been asked to perform a grid search of at least 2 hyper parameters within given ranges:

#### **HPO/Latent Space Exercise:**

#### **HPO Tuning:**

#### For a cGAN, a cVAE, or a cVAE-cGAN (choose one):

- Look at the provided code associated with your chosen model.
  - Does it differ from the models you've implemented earlier this week? HINT: Look at \_\_init\_\_() and call() methods

If so, what are the implications of the differences?

- Using the provided 'hpo\_mnist.ipynb', implement a grid search for 2
  hyperparameters of your choosing (suggestions for ranges are provided in the notebook).
- Using the provided 'image\_viewer.ipynb', what impact did your HPO tuning have on your digits (fakes and/or recons)?

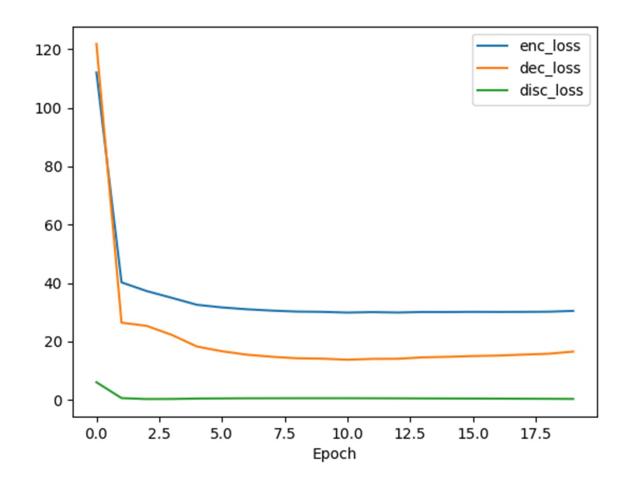
#### **Latent space exploration:**

- Implement a visualization appropriate for exploring the latent space. Using this visualization, Explore the meaning of the latent space for at least three different MNIST digits.

## Observations from when you run cVAE-cGAN on MNIST

## cVAE~cACGAN Training curves

- 1. Shows evolution of reconstruction and regularizing prior ( $D_{KL}$ ) loss as well as the total loss (their sum)
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## **CVAE~cACGAN Reconstructed images at epoch 20**

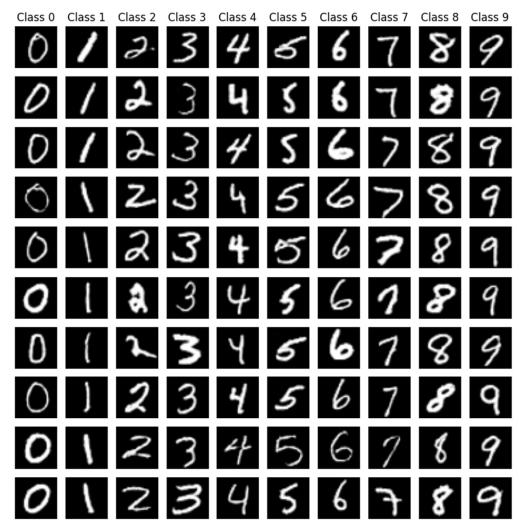


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## cVAE~cACGAN purely synthesized images at epoch 20

Note: Steerable class label (column), 100 different random z's

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#### cVAE~cACGAN test results

Using test script: python test\_cvaecgan\_mnist.py
Note: Same latent ("style") per column, but changing the class label
Each column has same z, 10 rand z's

We observe: <u>disentanglement</u> of style from digit



Also attains 97.46% digit classification accuracy

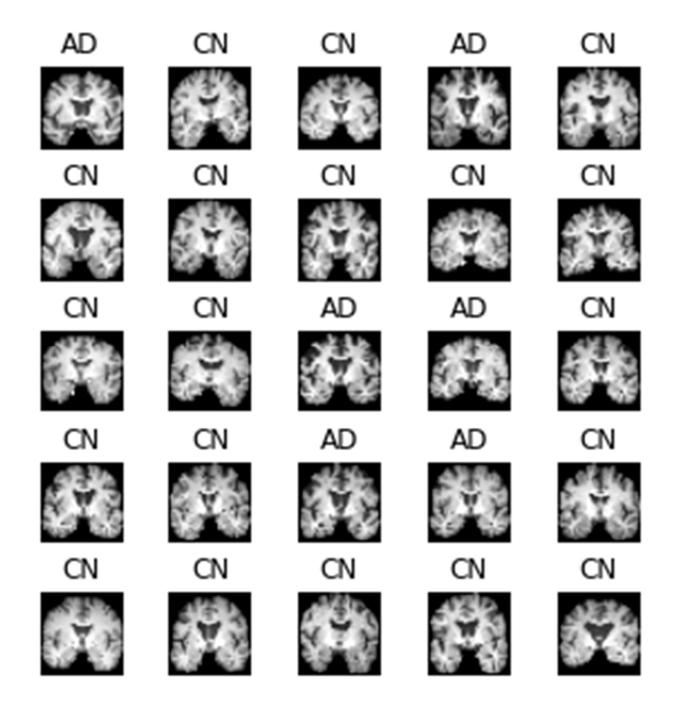
though not SoA, not bad for only 20 epochs!

and we get all of the synthesis capabilities and insights



## Observations from cVAE-cGAN on AD data

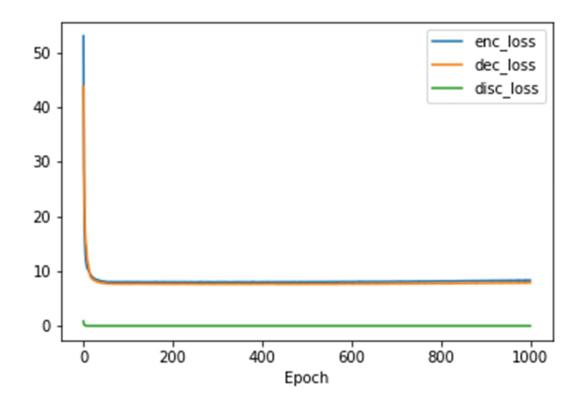
#### Alzheimer's data





#### cVAE~cACGAN Training curves on Alzheimer's data

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## cVAE~cACGAN Reconstructed images at epoch 1000

We observe reasonable sharpness especially in the ventricles, and overall brain boundary. Bit less in the gyri but that is understandable given across subject heterogeneity

Overall: ACGAN sharpness with high digit quality of cVAE.

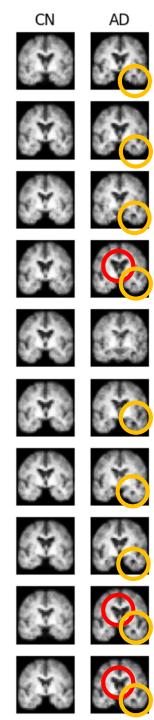
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**Auto-learned the distributions per class!** 

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Test accuracy ~80% not bad for 1 slice, limited (highly downsampled) training data

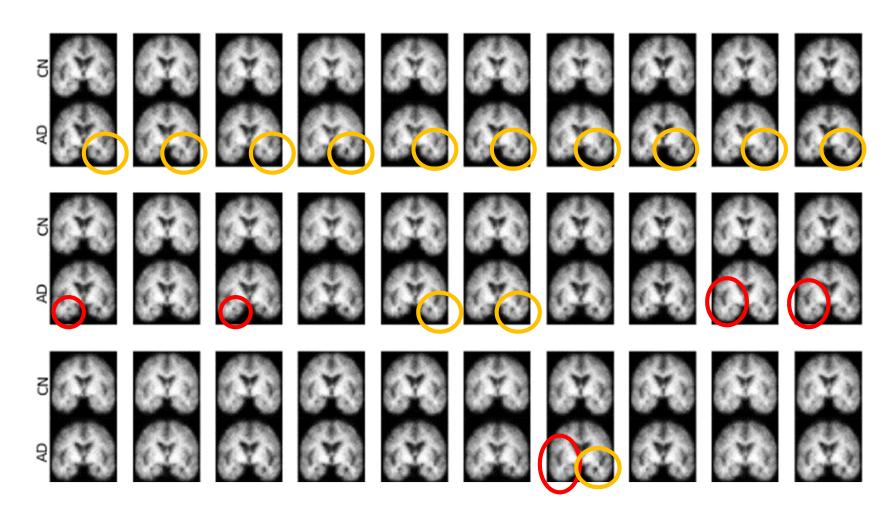




#### cVAE~cACGAN test results on Alzheimer data

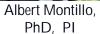
Using test script: python test\_cvaecgan\_ad.py

Each pair of images has same random z, 100 rand z's in total



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## Thank you!

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MegNET .... Artifact suppression

BLENDS .... fMRI augmentation

Antidepressant-Reward-fMRI .... response prediction

Parkinson-Severity-rsfMRI ... disease trajectory prediction

#### **End of presentation**

