

Learning Paradigms – COMP4423 Computer Vision

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Review of Assignment 2, Project Ideas 3D Reconstruction, Image Generations, Applications

Question 5: Multiple Choice

What additional resources or support would you like to see in future lectures?

	Percent Answered
More guest speakers from the industry	26.315%
Additional tutorials or workshops	36.842%
Access to relevant research papers and articles	5.263%
Collaboration opportunities with other students	31.578%
Other (please specify below)	0.00%
Unanswered	0.00%

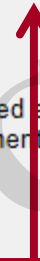
Group Project April 1 – April 30

Other comments or suggestions?

Unanswered Responses

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Given Answers

If possible, the deadline of different assignments or project could be announced early and give more buffer time to due with the problem, it could give more flexibility and time for students to do their assignment or learning with the projects.

I would be interested in taking a deeper look into the inner workings. That is to say, things like TorchNoGrad vs TorchGrad as well as optimizations and scalability at the design phase.

I would also be interested in analyzing things like yolo v7 and other such deep frameworks, as from what I have seen the way they approach feature extraction is rather different.

The only other things that come to mind would be more Q&A opportunities, otherwise, this is legitimately one of, if not the best courses in the department of computing.

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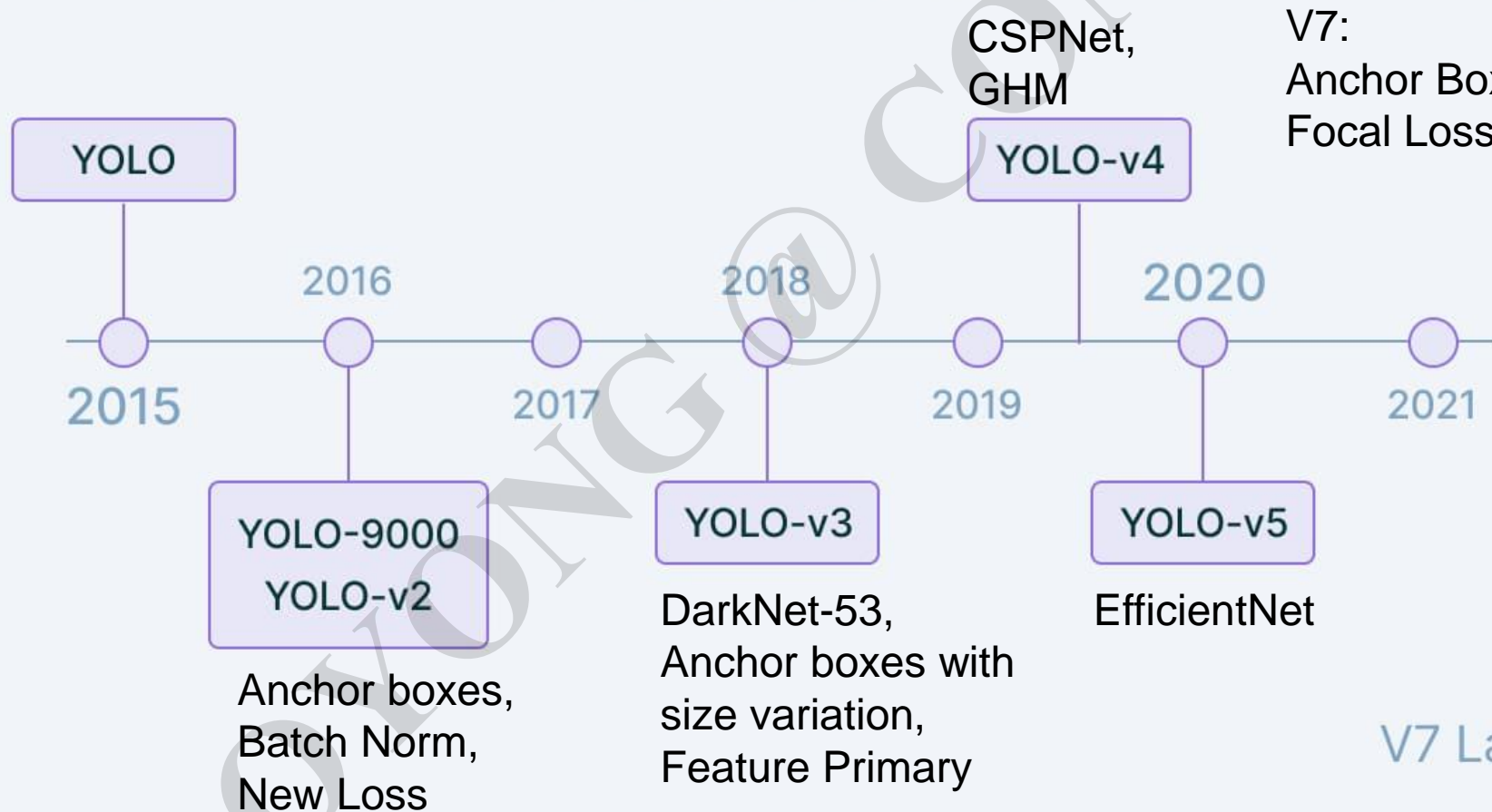
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N/A

More time for assignments will be better

Troublesome configuration in COMP lab computers for doing assignments and tutorials

YOLO timeline



V7 Labs

You may have heard the term “learning” a lot when people are talking about Computer Vision.

However, the term is indeed “overused”. Sometimes it stands for a specific model, while it may also refers to a learning framework

Let's check out some examples

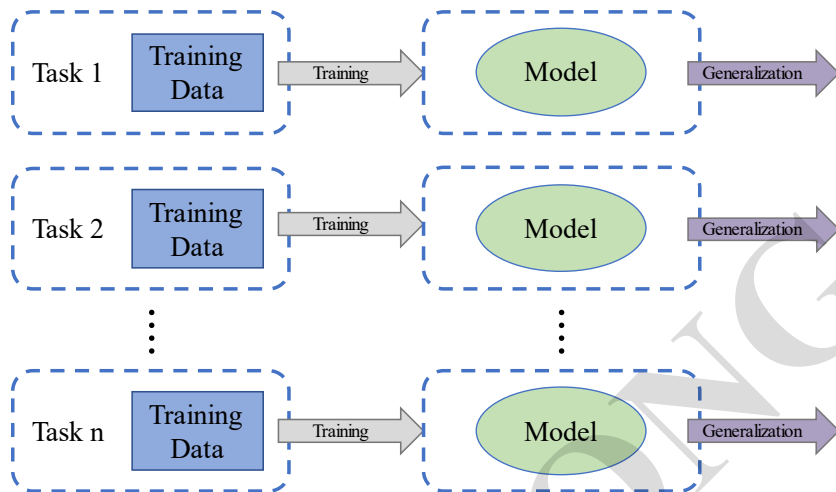
Outline

- > Multi-task learning
- > N-shot learning (Few-shot, Zero-shot)
- > Transfer learning, Metric learning, Meta-learning
- > Generative networks (VAE, GAN)
- > Reinforcement learning

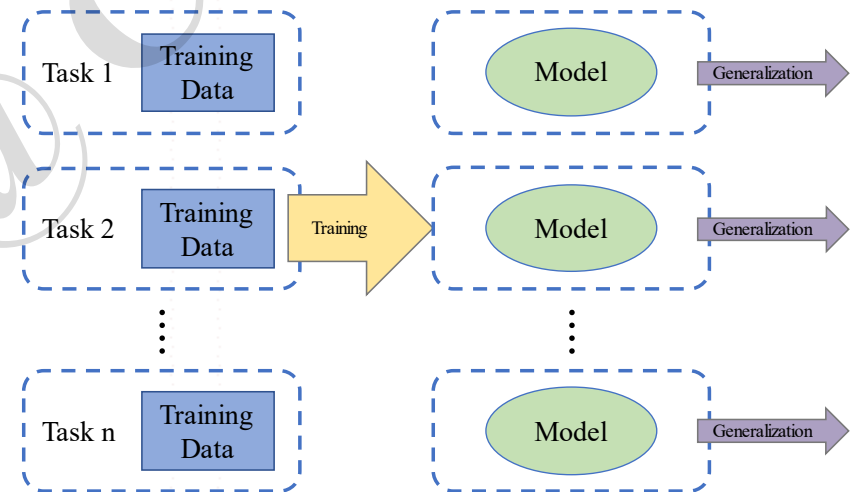
Multi-task Learning

Multitask learning (MTL) is a machine learning technique that aims at **improving the generalization performance** of a learning task by jointly learning multiple-related tasks. The key to a successful MTL is that **the tasks need to be related**. Here the “related” does not mean the tasks are similar. It means at some level of abstraction these tasks **share part of the representation**. If the tasks are indeed similar, learning them together can help transfer knowledge among tasks since it leverages training data more effectively.

Single vs. Multiple Task Learning

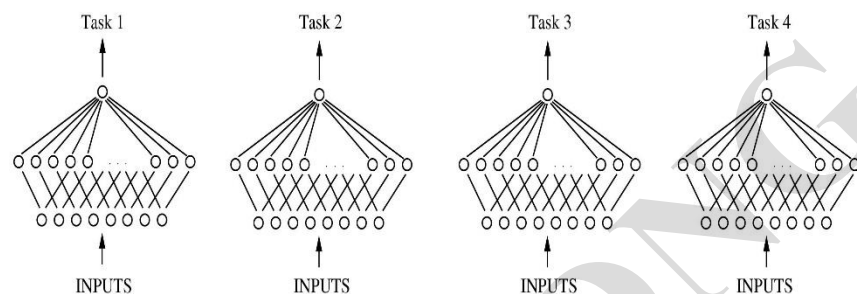


Single-task Learning

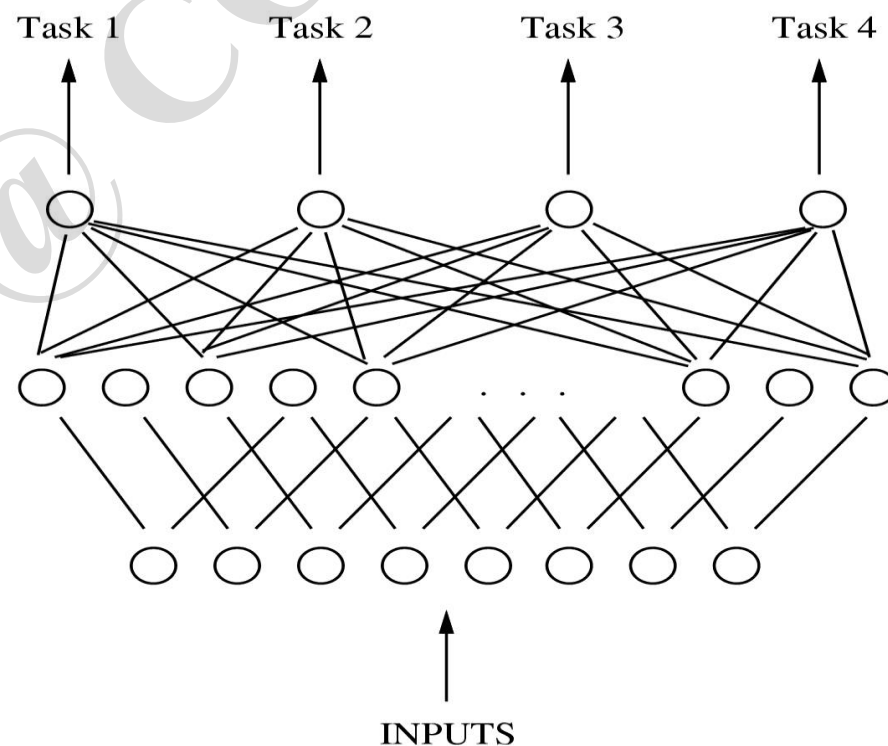


Multi-task Learning

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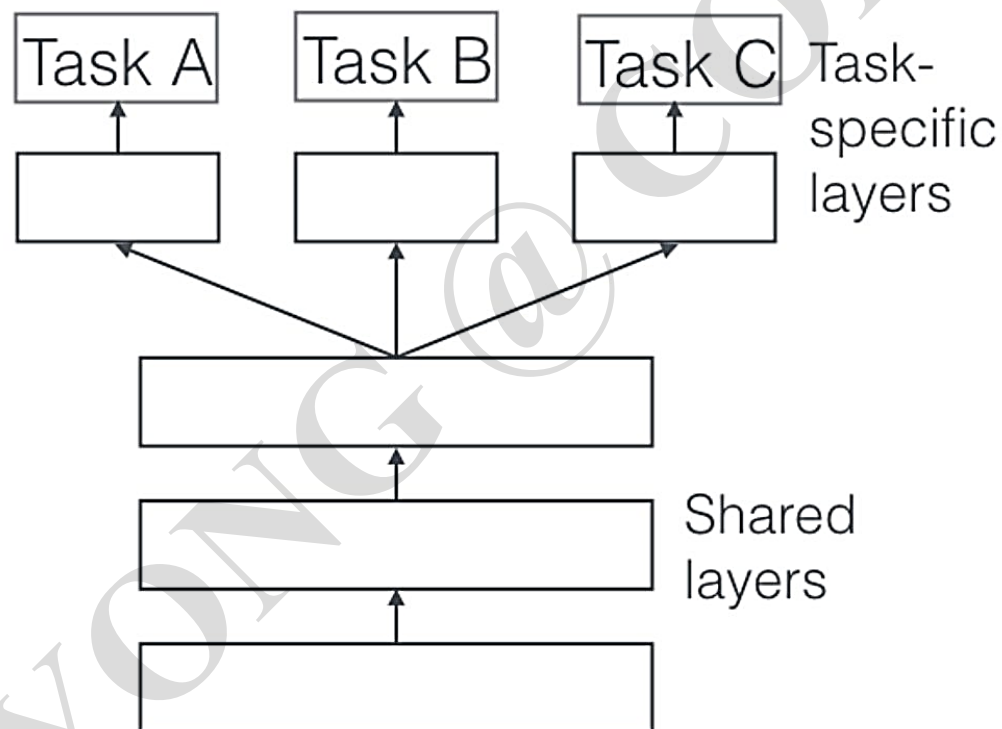


Single-task Learning



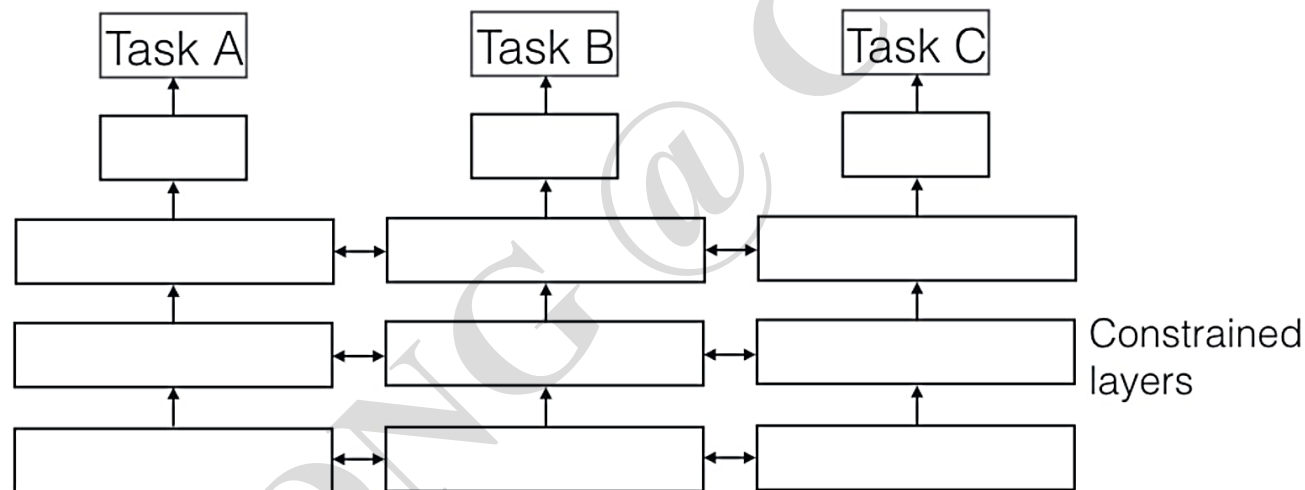
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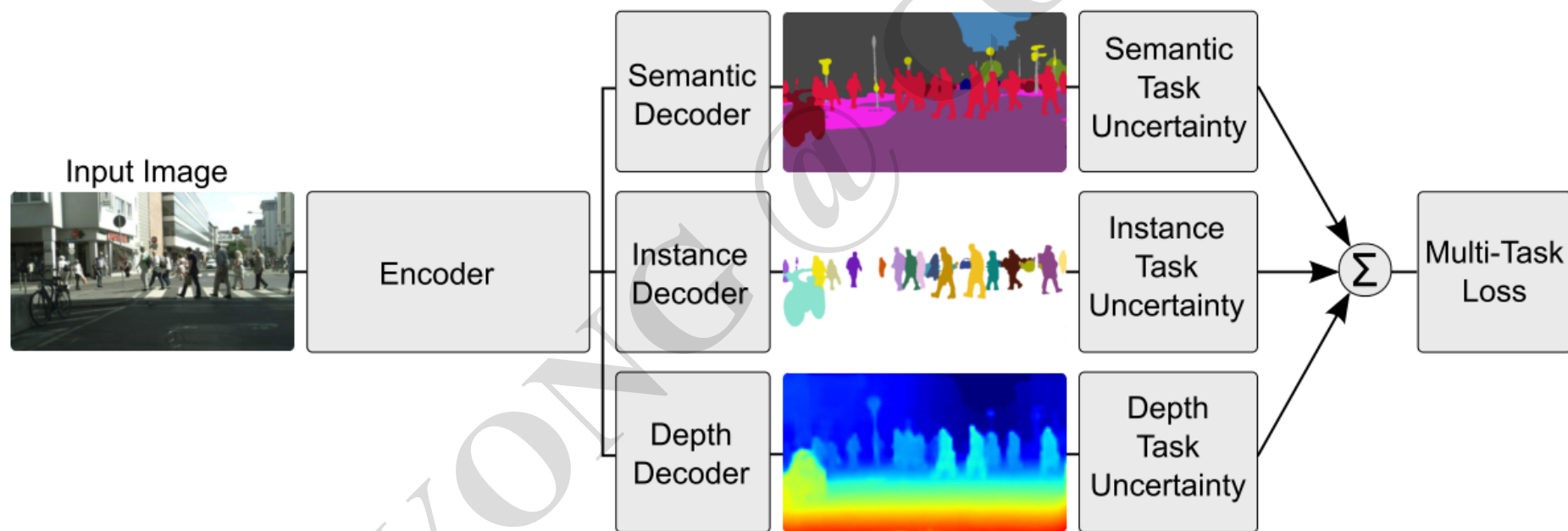
Hard Parameter Sharing

Multiple Task Learning



Soft Parameter Sharing

Multiple Task Learning



Uncertainty-based loss function weighting for multi-task learning (Kendall et al., 2017).

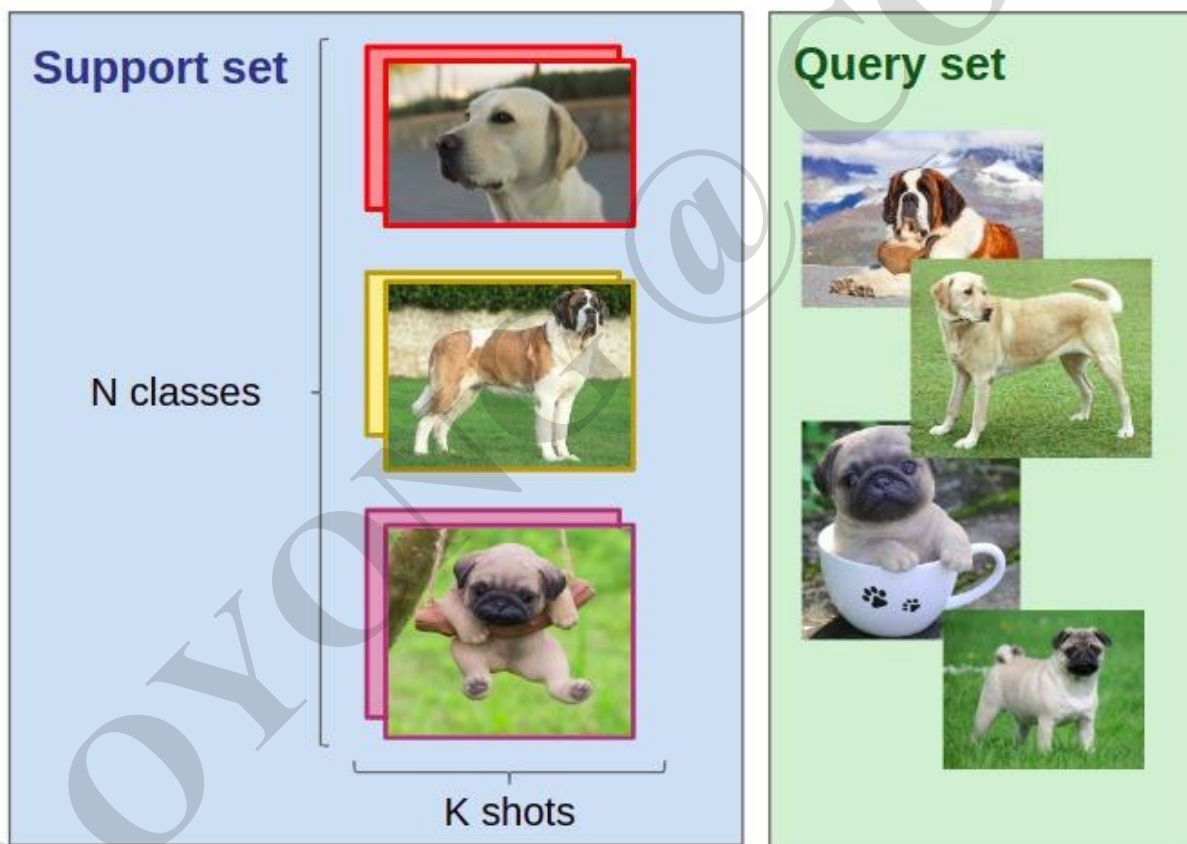
Deep models are hungry about data. However, in reality, we have only a limited amount of (labeled) data available

N-shot Learning

- > To classify new data when you have only a few training samples with supervised information
- > **Few-shot Learning** to classify classes with only a few examples
- > **One-shot Learning** to classify classes with only one example
- > **Zero-shot Learning**: to classify **unseen** classes without any examples

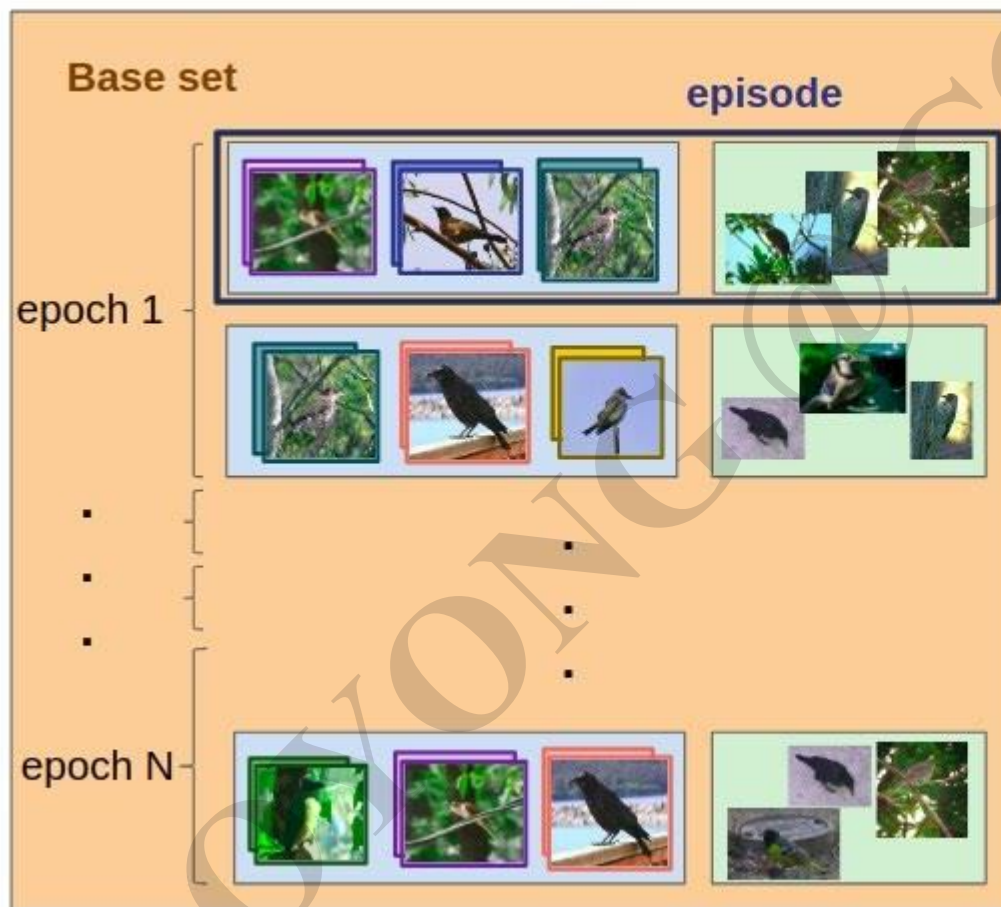
Few-Shot Learning

> **N-way-K-Shot-classification** problem to classify
N classes each with K examples

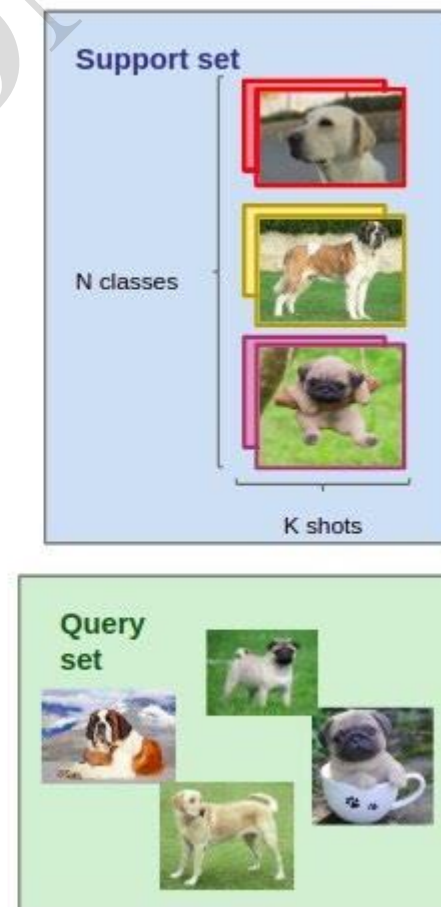


Few-Shot Learning – Meta (Transfer) Learning

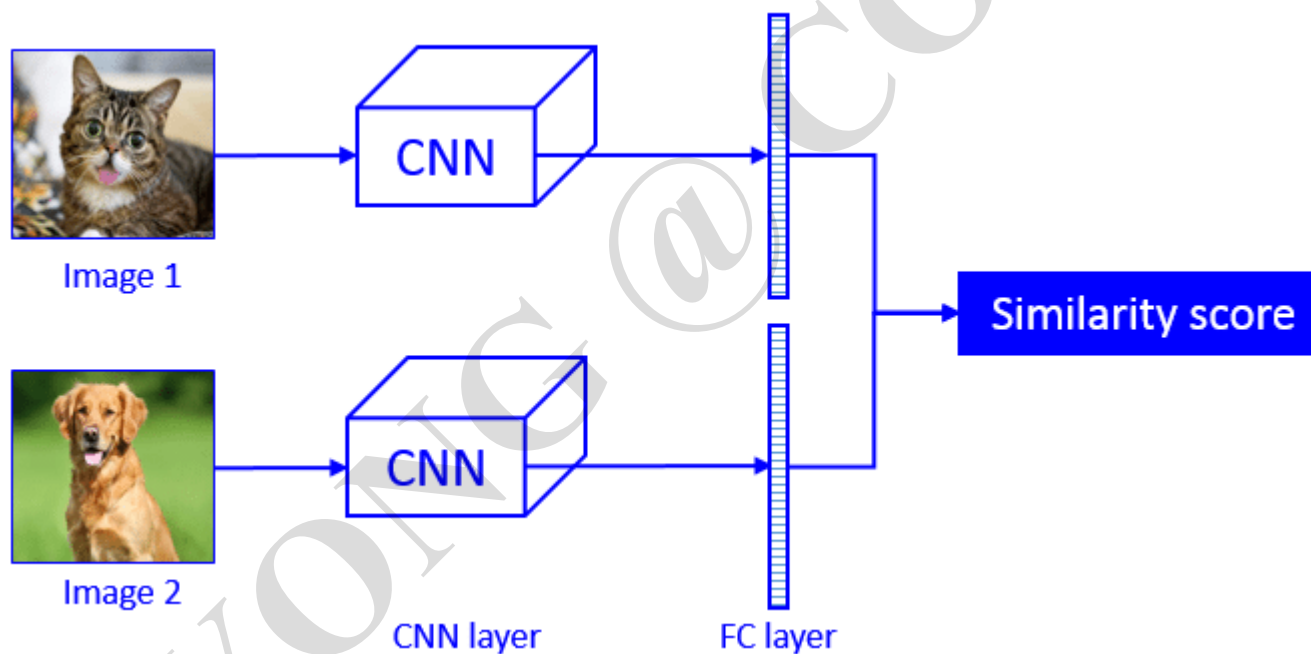
1. Meta-training



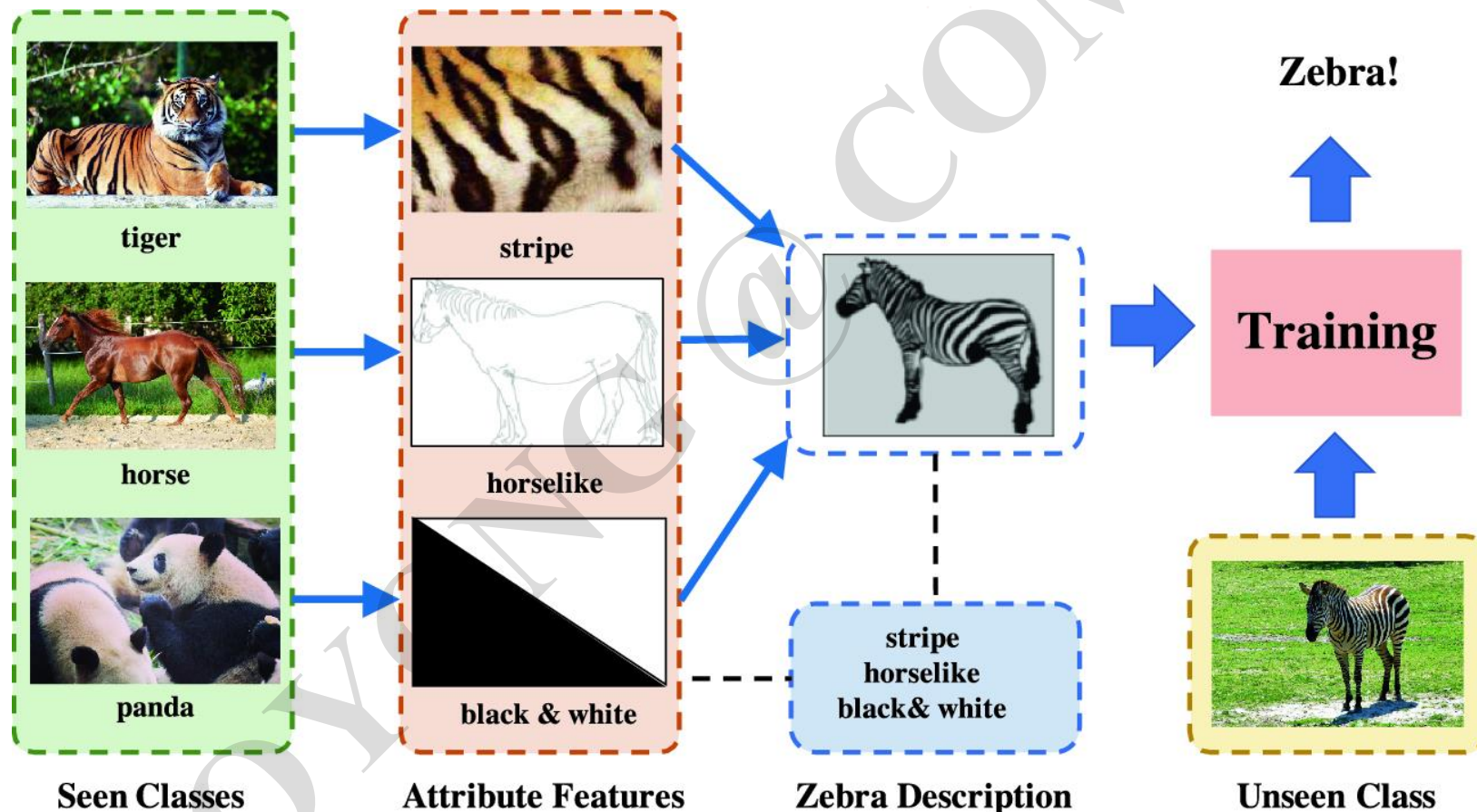
2. Meta-testing



Few-Shot Learning – Metric/Contrastive Learning

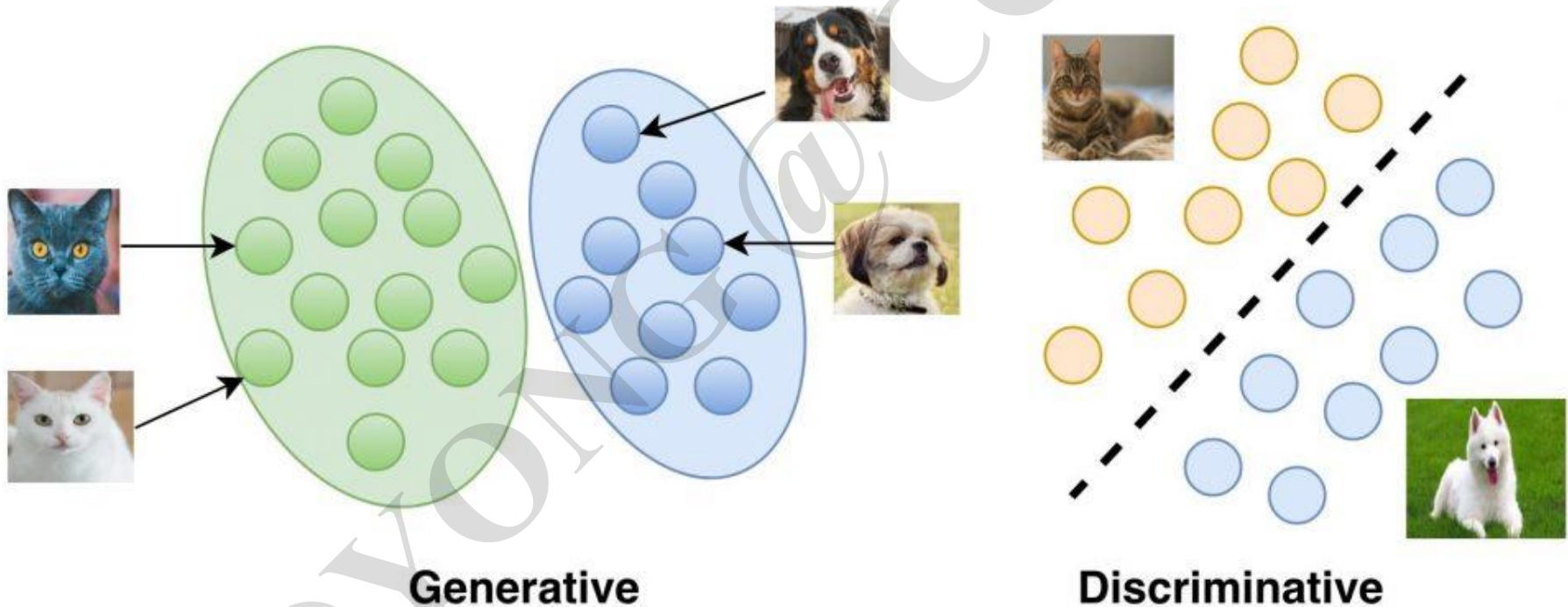


Zero-shot Learning



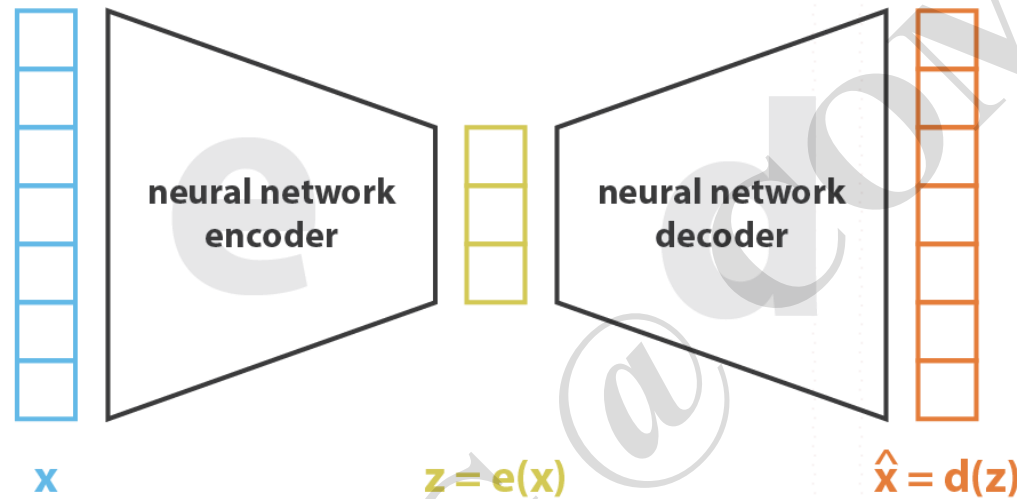
So far, we are mainly discussing
how to **discriminate** things.
However, in zero-shot learning,
we start to **generate** things
(unseen classes).

Generative vs. Discriminative



We can be more generative!

Variational Auto-Encoder(VAE)

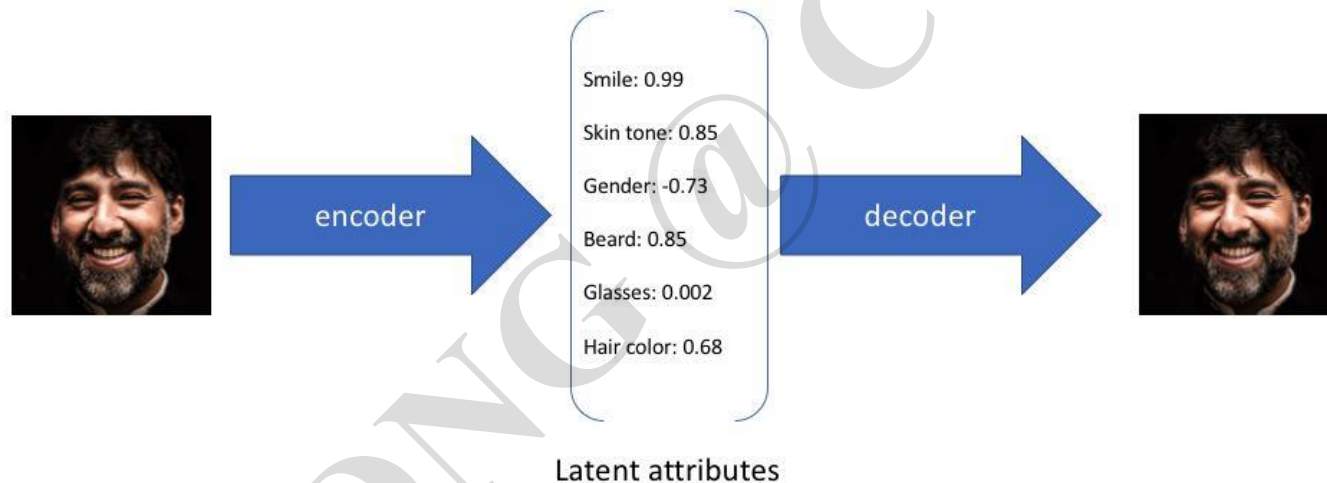


$$\text{loss} = ||x - \hat{x}||^2 = ||x - d(z)||^2 = ||x - d(e(x))||^2$$

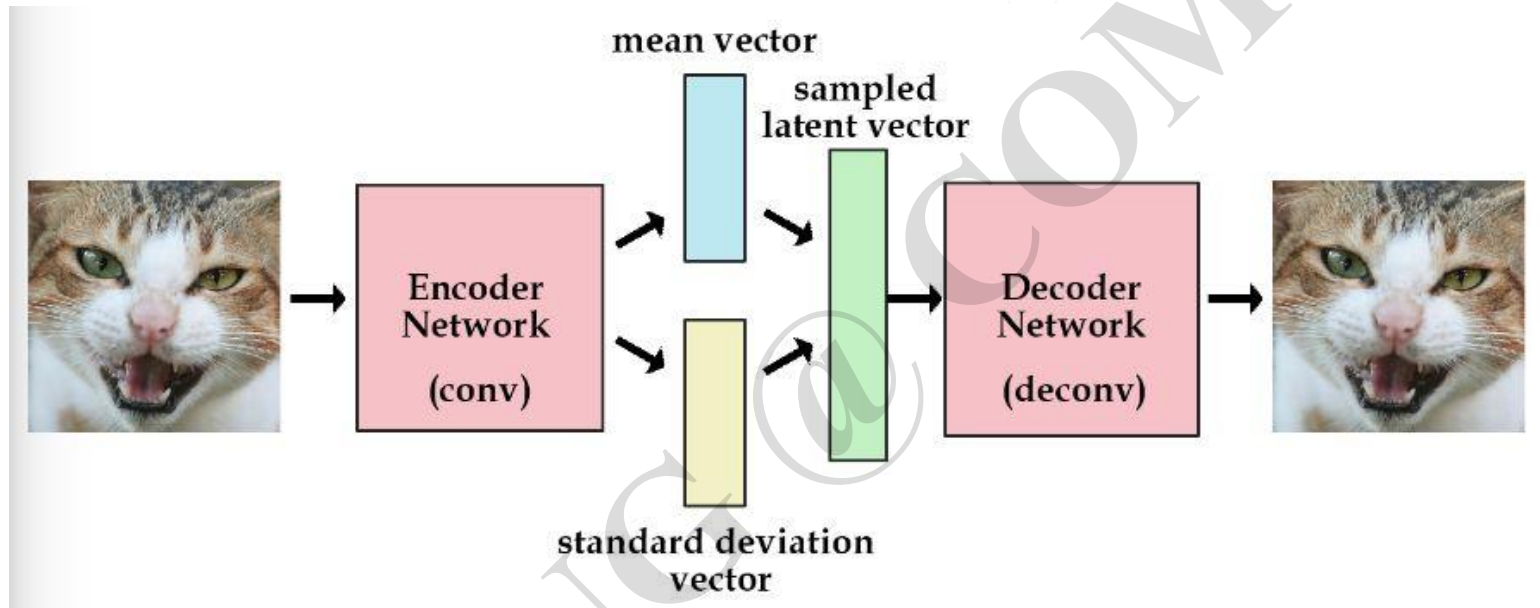
In the training step, the input data is compressed into a vector of low dimensional normal distribution by the encoder, and the vector is reconstructed into the input data by the decoder.

In the generation step, a vector of normal distribution is randomly sampled and input into the decoder to generate data.

Variational Auto-Encoder(VAE)



Variational Auto-Encoder(VAE)



How to make the vector generated by the encoder follow the normal distribution is the core of VAE.

In fact, the output of VAE encoder is not a vector, but two values, which represent the mean and variance of a normal distribution, respectively. Once learned, the parameters can be used to modify a vector E that follows the standard normal distribution $N(0,1)$ by adding the mean values and multiplying by the variance. The modified vector is then used as the input of the decoder for generation.

This process is called reparameterization, which avoids the situation that the sampling is non differentiable (we cannot calculate the gradients in this case).

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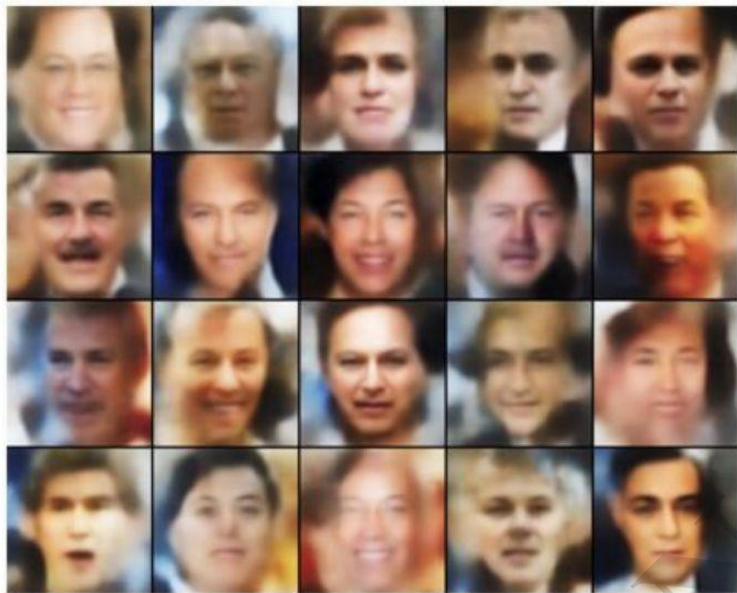
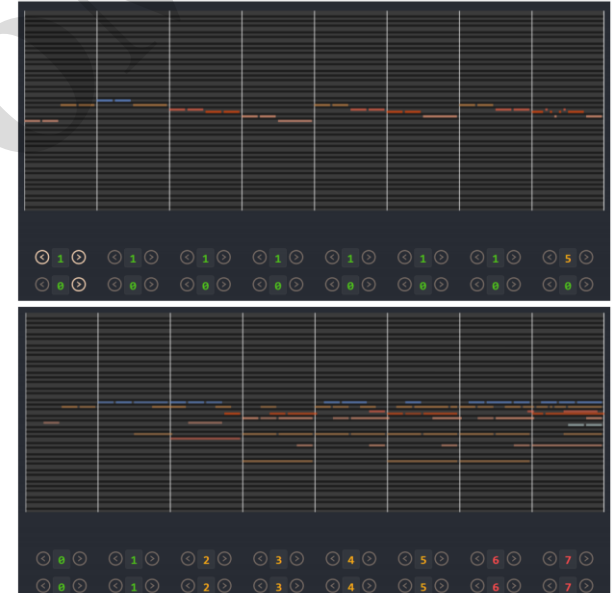


Image generation



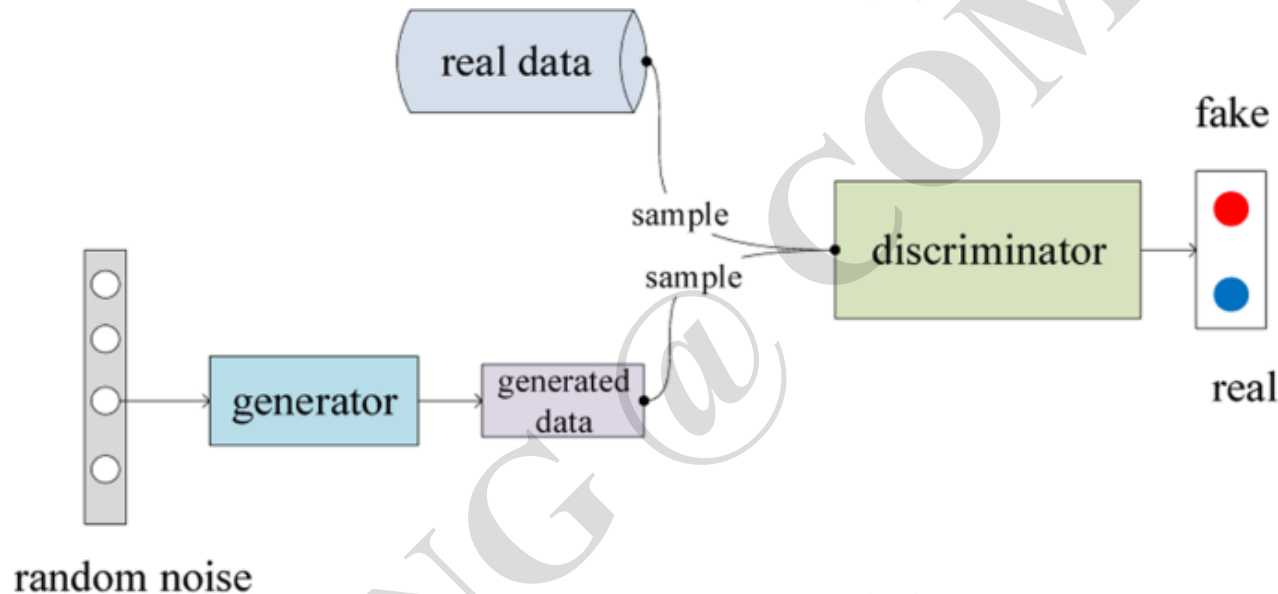
Symbolic music generation

<https://blog.csdn.net/ppp8300885/article/details/80070723>

Muse Morphose: Full-Song and Fine-Grained Music Style Transfer with One Transformer VAE

VAE is not the only choice.
Another alternative is GAN.

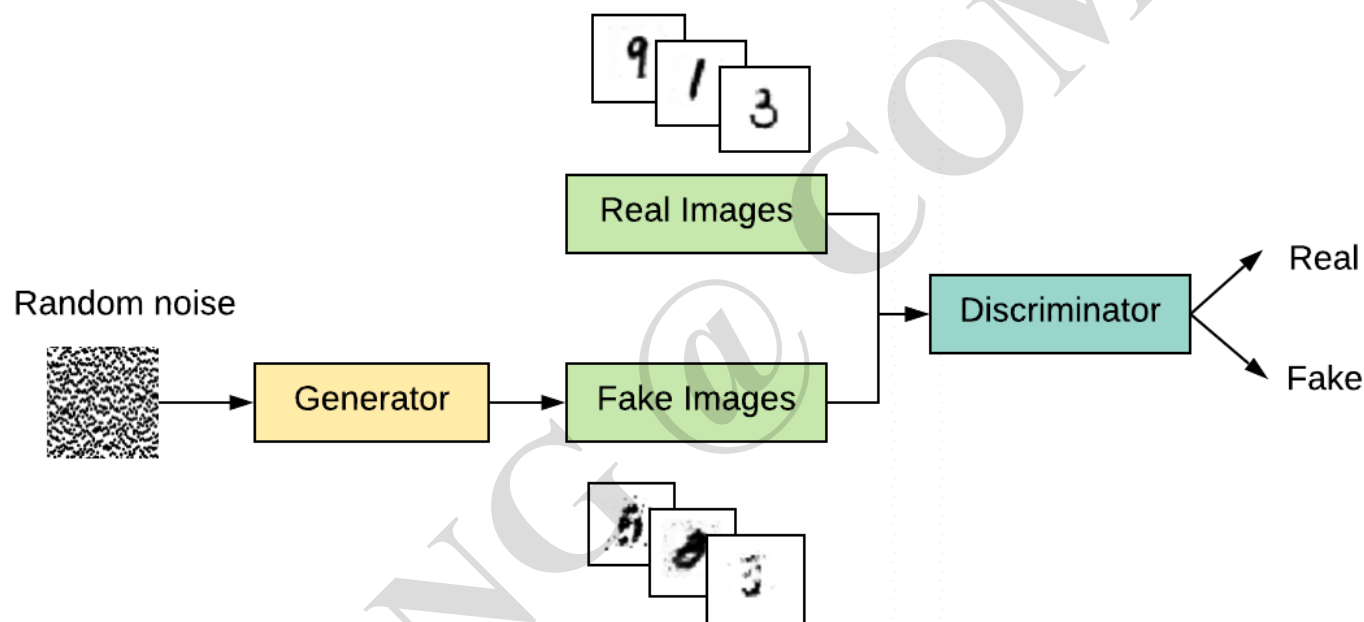
Generative Adversarial Networks(GAN)



Source: Electrocardiogram generation with a bidirectional LSTM-CNN generative adversarial network

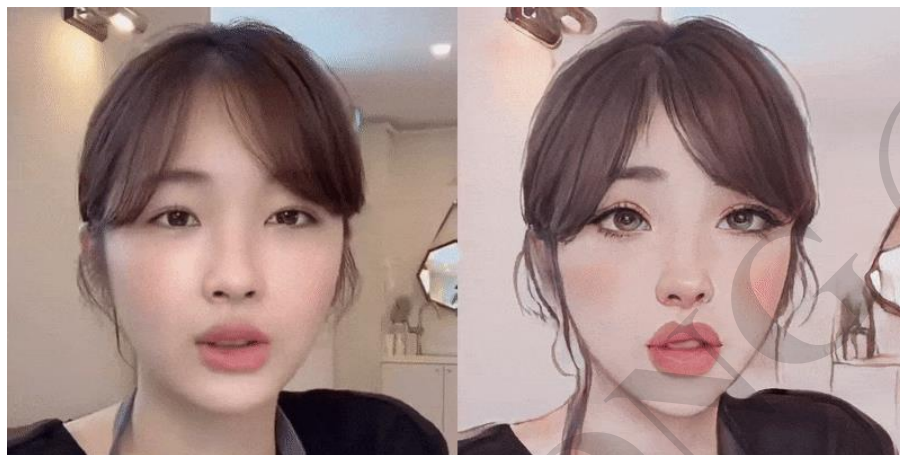
- > GAN is an unsupervised generation model. It consists of two parts of generator and discriminator. The two parts are “opponents” to each other, in the way the generator tries its best to generate the “fake” data to “fool” the discriminator, while the discriminator tries its best to avoid being fooled. They make each other stronger through fighting.

Generative Adversarial Networks(GAN)



Taking MNIST dataset as an example. We can input a **noise** into G to generate a **fake image**, and then D judges whether the image is fake or not. If it's being recognized as a fake image, the fooling failed, which means G is not good enough and its parameters need to be updated. Otherwise, D's is not smart enough and the parameters of D need to be updated.

Applications

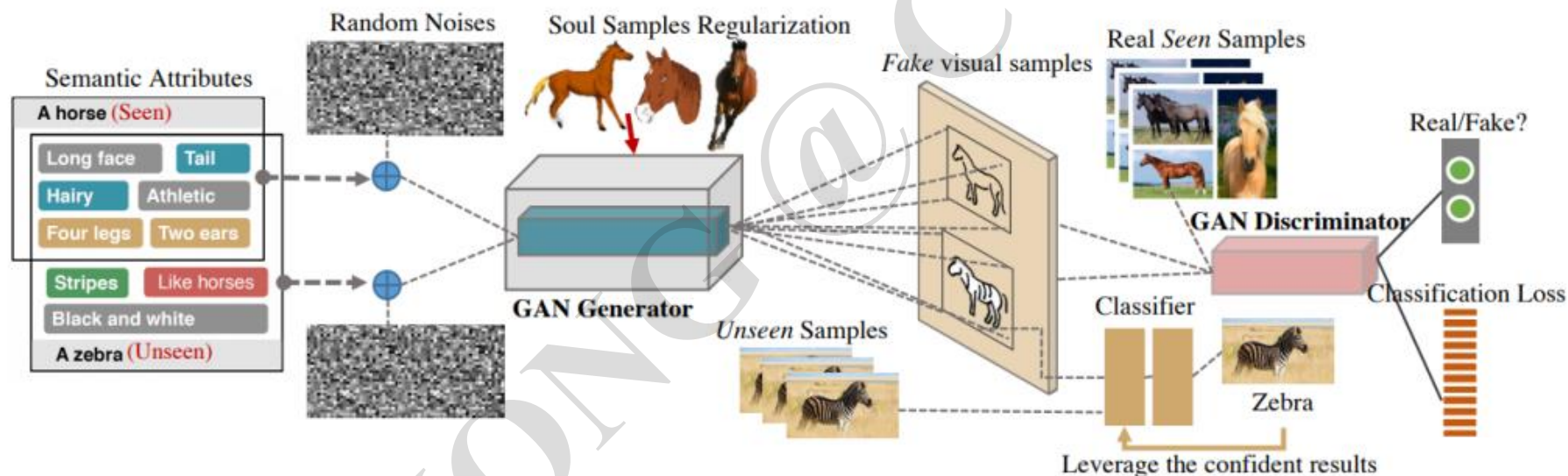


Style Transfer

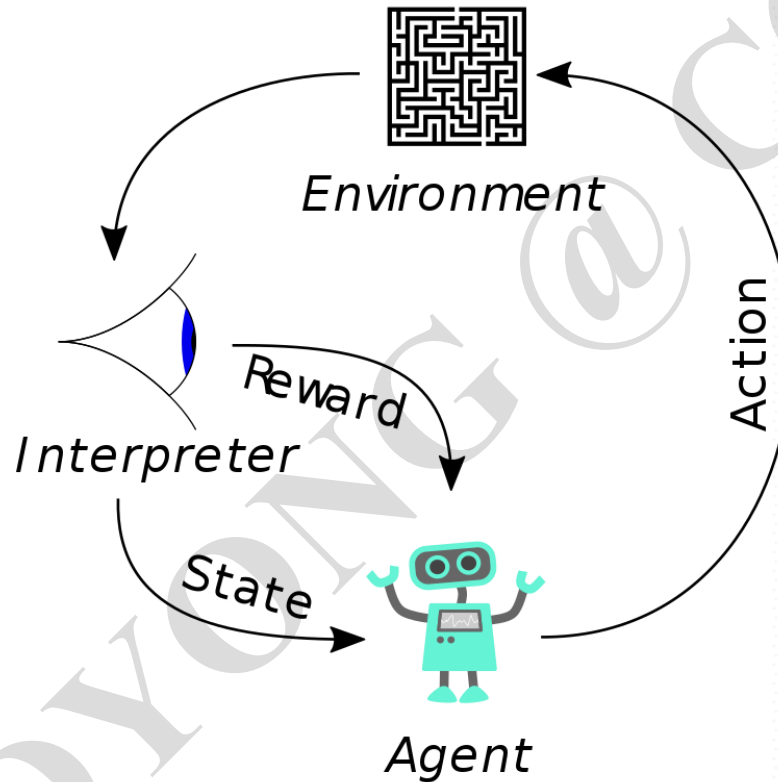


Image Generation

Zero-shot Learning using GAN



Reinforcement Learning



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Reinforcement Learning

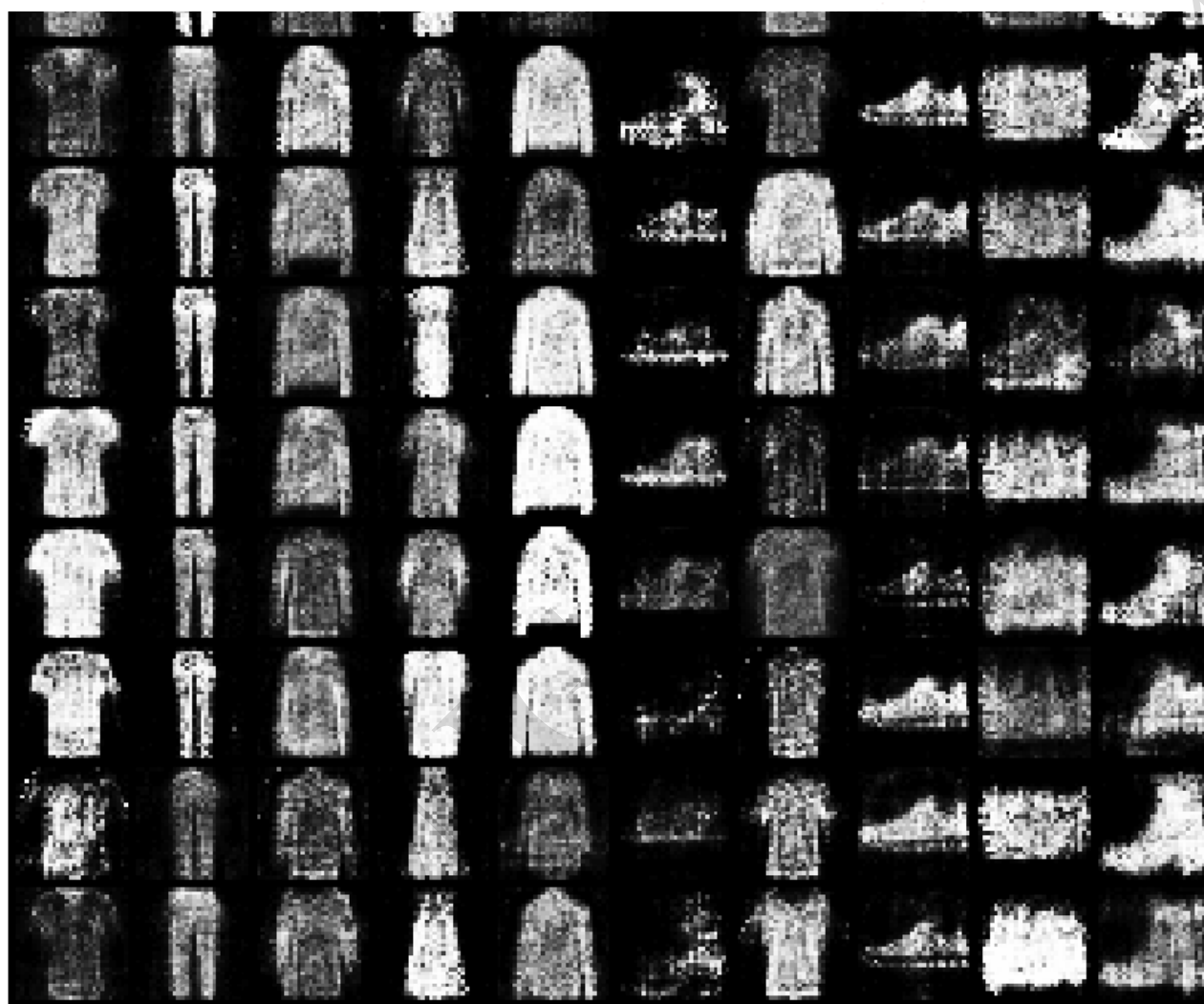


Reading List

- > Multimodal learning
- > Pretraining and big models
- > Diffusion models

Project





T-Shirt

Trouser

Pullover

Dress

Coat

Sandal

Shirt

Sneaker

Bag

Ankle boot



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Thank you!