

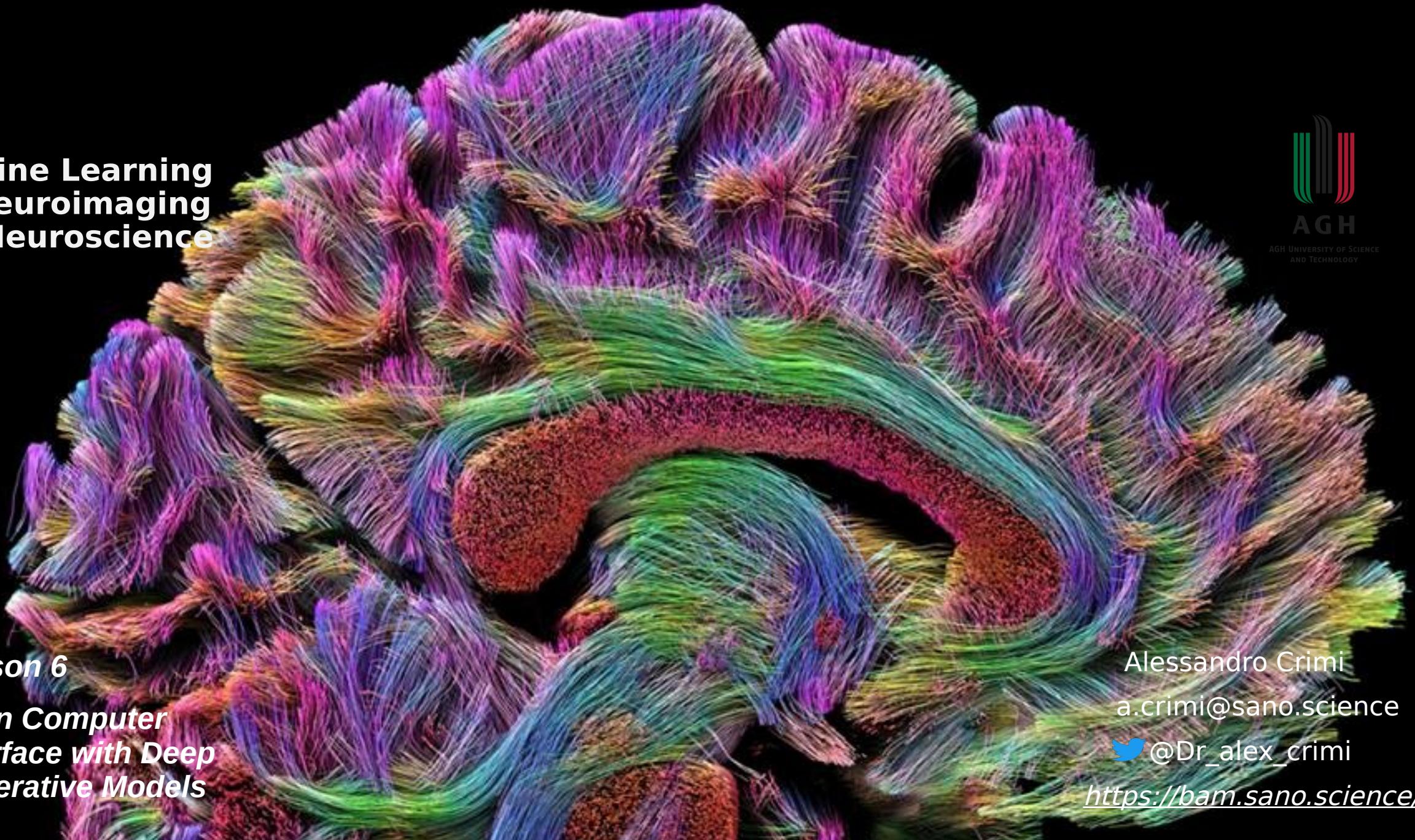


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# Machine Learning for Neuroimaging and Neuroscience

**Lesson 6**  
*Brain Computer  
Interface with Deep  
Generative Models*

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# Outline

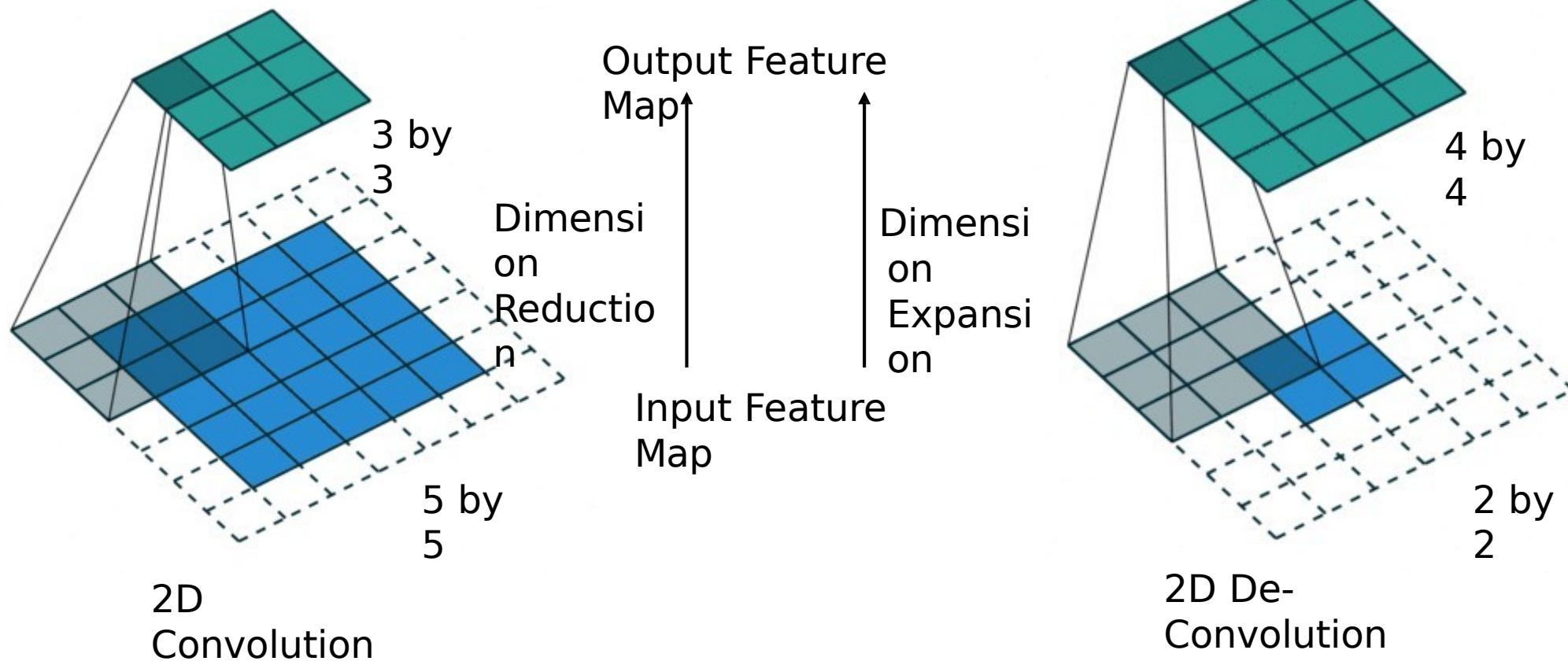
Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Network (DCGAN) BigBiGAN

Tricks for more realistic image construction  
using GANs Image reconstruction from  
brain signals

Evaluation of brain readers

Towards Brain Computer Interface (BCI)

# Deconvolution



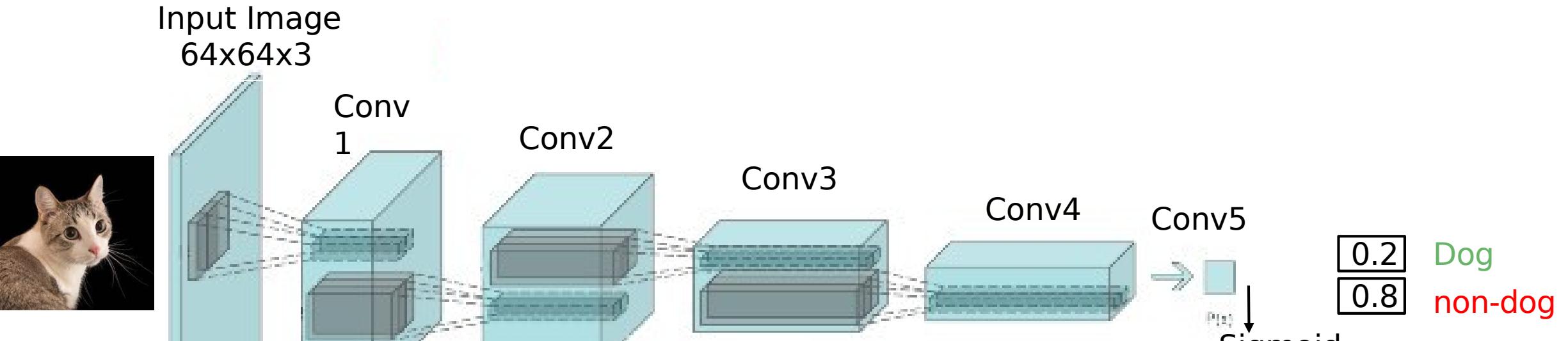
Pytorch:

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torch.nn.ConvTranspose2d(in_channels, out_channels, kernel_size, stride, padding)  
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torch.nn.ConvTranspose2d(in_channels=1, out_channels=1, kernel_size=3, stride=0,  
padding=2)
```

[Image credits](#):

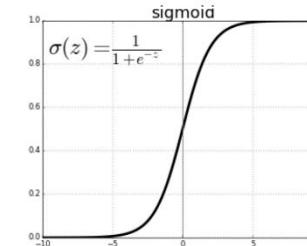
[https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\\_arithmetic/blob/master/README.md](https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv_arithmetic/blob/master/README.md)

# Deep Convolutional GAN (DCGAN)



```
# Create the dataset
dataset = dset.ImageFolder(root=dataroot,
    transform=transforms.Compose([
        transforms.Resize(image_size),
        transforms.CenterCrop(image_size),
        transforms.ToTensor(),
        transforms.Normalize((0.5, 0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5, 0.5)),
    ]))
```

0.2 Dog  
0.8 non-dog



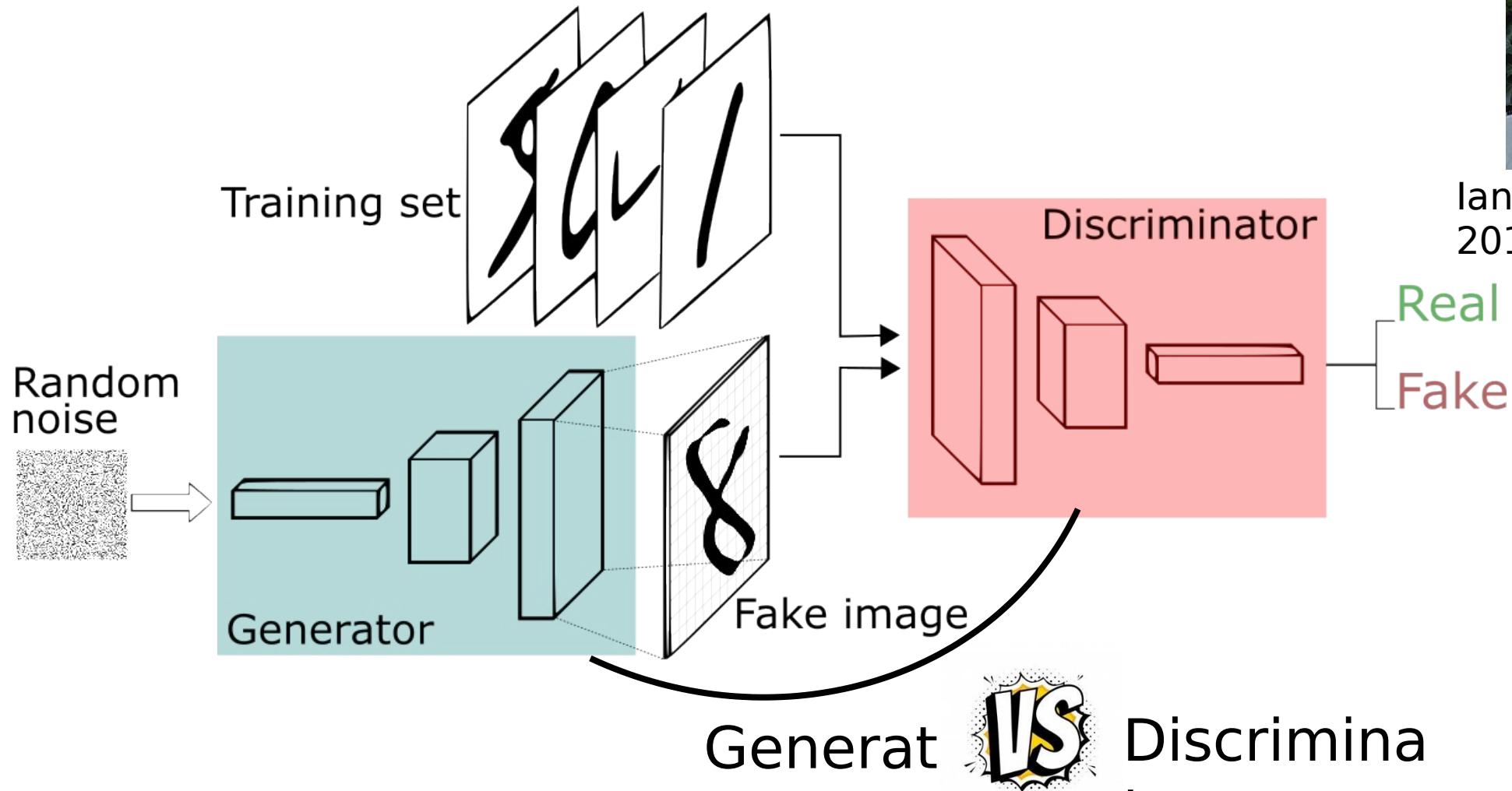
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# Generative Adversarial Networks



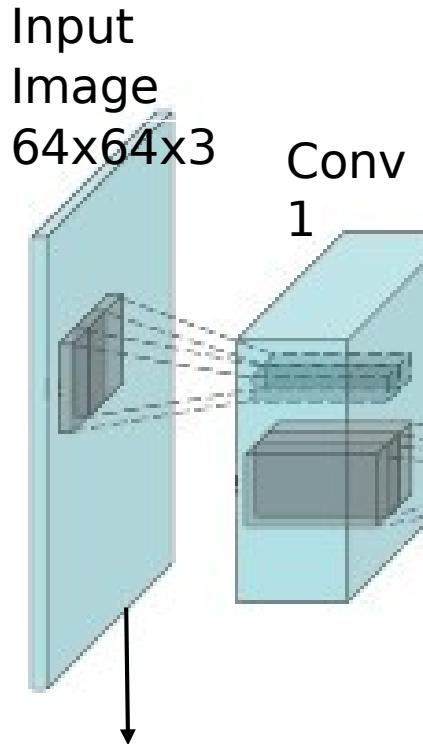
Ian Goodfellow,  
2014



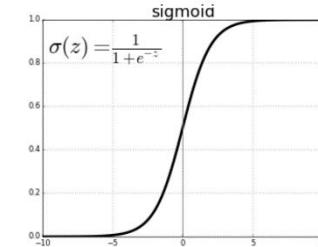
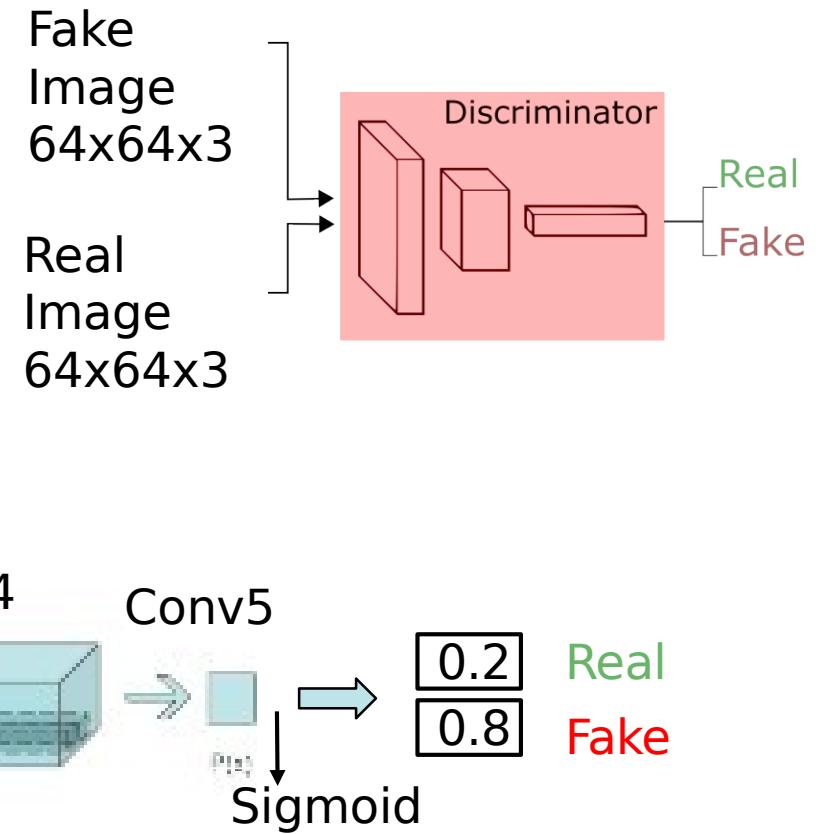
Min-max Game: minimize the possible loss for a worst scenario

Image credit: <https://sthalles.github.io/intro-to-gans/>

# Discriminator



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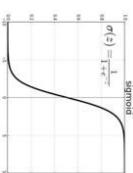
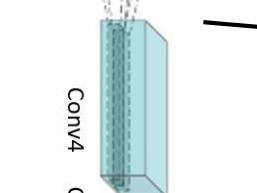
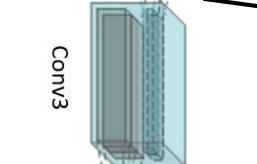
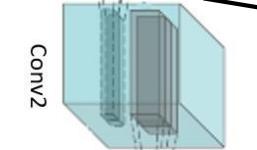
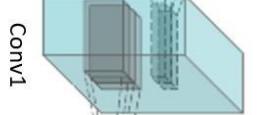
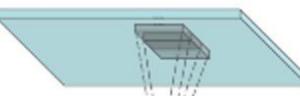


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# Discriminator - pytorch implementation

Input Image  
64x64x3



0.2

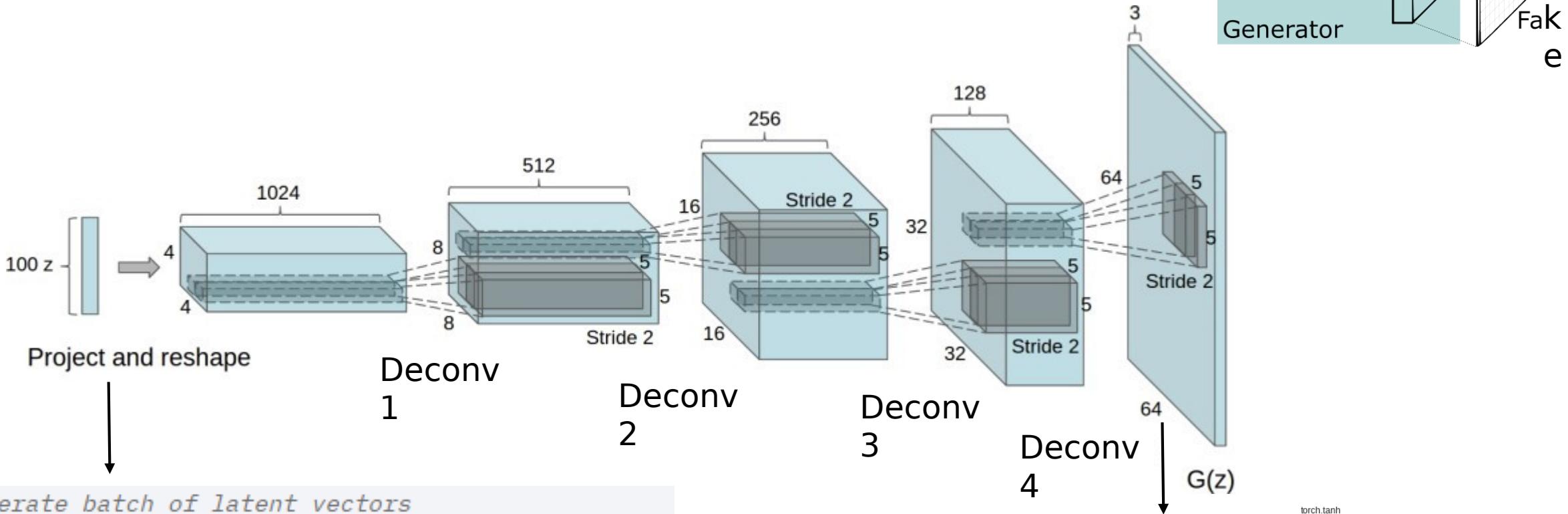
Real

Fake

```
class Discriminator(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, ngpu):
        super(Discriminator, self).__init__()
        self.ngpu = ngpu
        self.main = nn.Sequential(
            # input is (nc) x 64 x 64
            nn.Conv2d(nc, ndf, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
            nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
            # state size. (ndf) x 32 x 32
            nn.Conv2d(ndf, ndf * 2, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
            nn.BatchNorm2d(ndf * 2),
            nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
            # state size. (ndf*2) x 16 x 16
            nn.Conv2d(ndf * 2, ndf * 4, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
            nn.BatchNorm2d(ndf * 4),
            nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
            # state size. (ndf*4) x 8 x 8
            nn.Conv2d(ndf * 4, ndf * 8, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
            nn.BatchNorm2d(ndf * 8),
            nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
            # state size. (ndf*8) x 4 x 4
            nn.Conv2d(ndf * 8, 1, 4, 1, 0, bias=False),
            nn.Sigmoid()
        )

    def forward(self, input):
        return self.main(input)
```

# Generator



```
# Generate batch of latent vectors  
noise = torch.randn(b_size, nz, 1, 1, device=device)
```

Random numbers from  
normal distribution with mean 0  
and variance 1

Tan  
h Normalize to  
[-1,1]  
Con  
sistent with  
image pixel  
input range

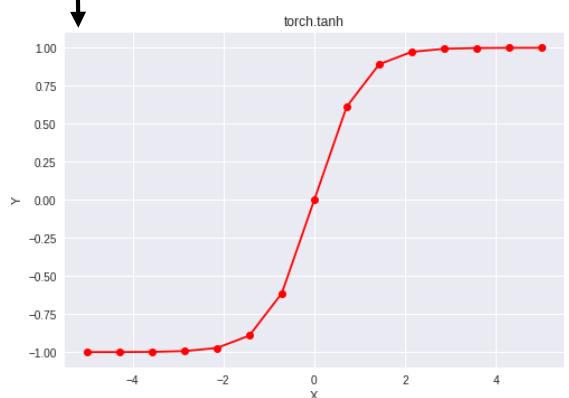
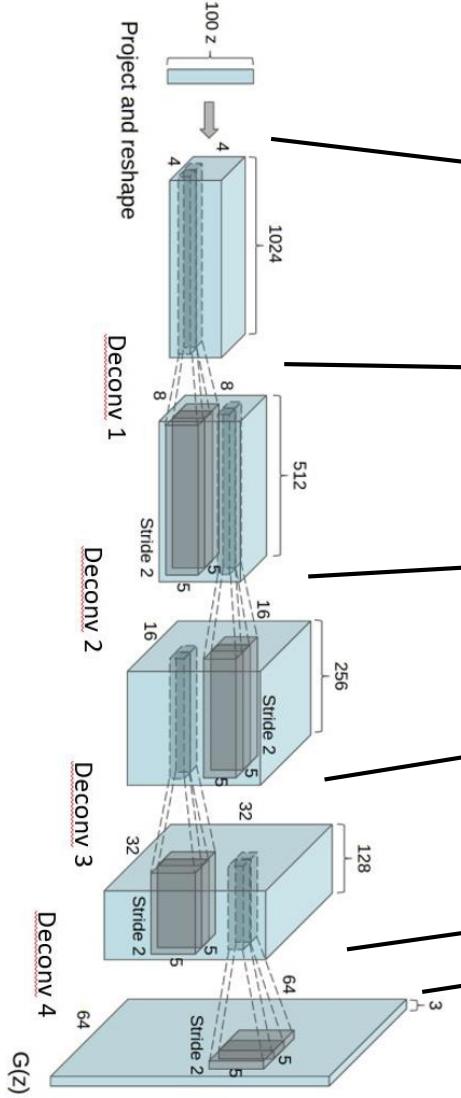


Image credit: [https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/dcgan\\_faces\\_tutorial.html](https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/dcgan_faces_tutorial.html)

# Generator - pytorch implementation



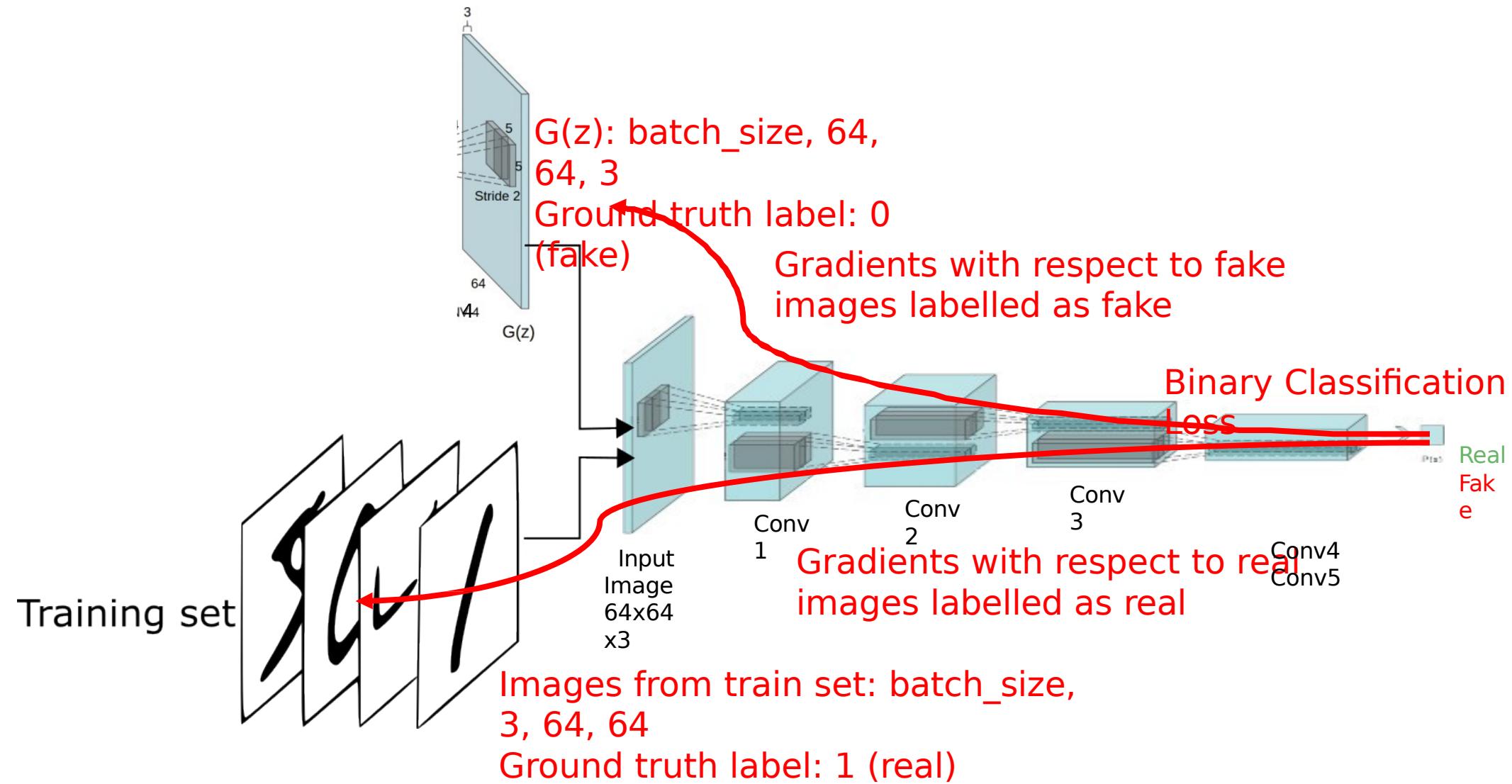
```
class Generator(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, ngpu):
        super(Generator, self).__init__()
        self.ngpu = ngpu
        self.main = nn.Sequential(
            # input is Z, going into a convolution
            nn.ConvTranspose2d( nz, ngf * 8, 4, 1, 0, bias=False),
            nn.BatchNorm2d(ngf * 8),
            nn.ReLU(True),
            # state size. (ngf*8) x 4 x 4
            nn.ConvTranspose2d(ngf * 8, ngf * 4, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
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            nn.BatchNorm2d(ngf),
            nn.ReLU(True),
            # state size. (ngf) x 32 x 32
            nn.ConvTranspose2d( ngf, nc, 4, 2, 1, bias=False),
            nn.Tanh()
            # state size. (nc) x 64 x 64
        )

    def forward(self, input):
        return self.main(input)
```

# Training GAN – Part 1

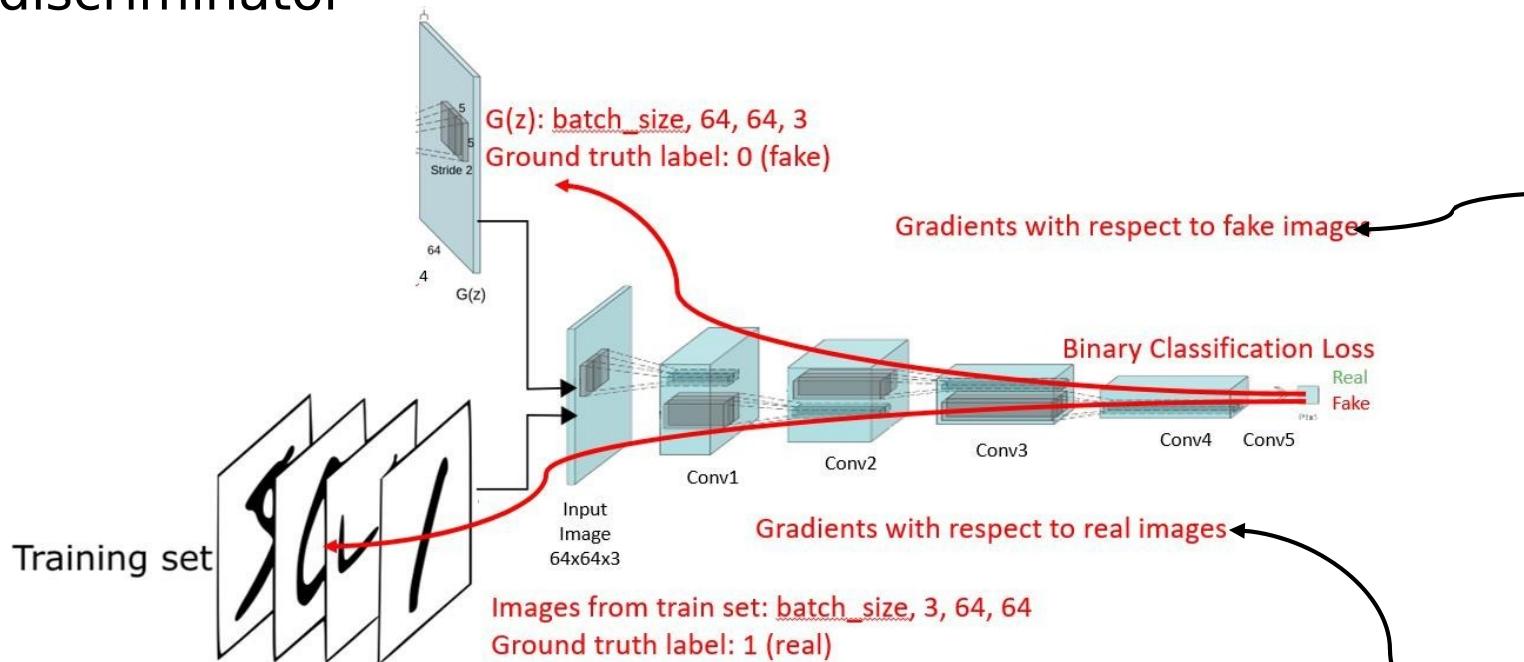
Training part 1: train

Generator vs Discriminator  
Min-max Game



# Training GAN - Part 1

Training part 1: train  
discriminator



Generator  Discriminator  
Min-max Game

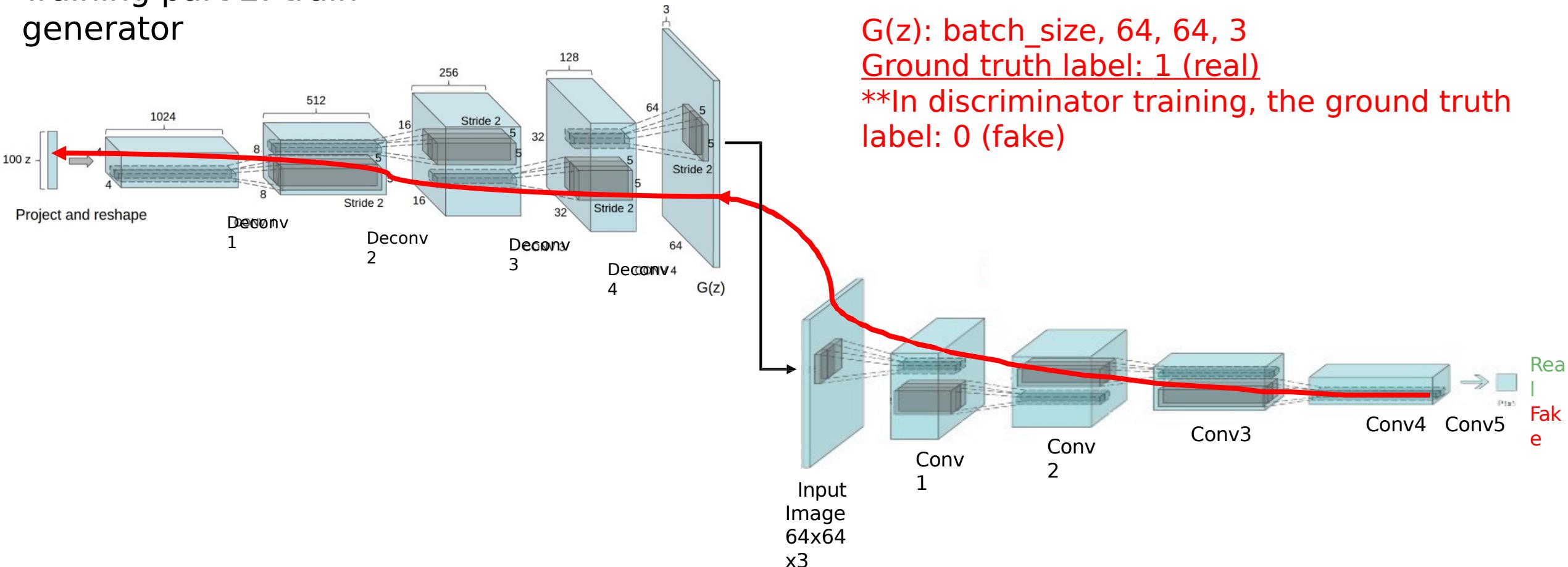
```
## Train with all-fake batch
# Generate batch of latent vectors
noise = torch.randn(b_size, nz, 1, 1, device=device)
# Generate fake image batch with G
fake = netG(noise)
label.fill_(fake_label)
# Classify all fake batch with D
output = netD(fake.detach()).view(-1)
# Calculate D's loss on the all-fake batch
errD_fake = criterion(output, label)
# Calculate the gradients for this batch
errD_fake.backward()
D_G_z1 = output.mean().item()
# Add the gradients from the all-real and all-fake batches
errD = errD_real + errD_fake
# Update D
optimizerD.step()

## Train with all-real batch
netD.zero_grad()
# Format batch
real_cpu = data[0].to(device)
b_size = real_cpu.size(0)
label = torch.full((b_size,), real_label, device=device)
# Forward pass real batch through D
output = netD(real_cpu).view(-1)
# Calculate loss on all-real batch
errD_real = criterion(output, label)
# Calculate gradients for D in backward pass
errD_real.backward()
D_x = output.mean().item()
```

# Training GAN - Part 2

Generat  Discrimina  
or Min-max tor  
Game

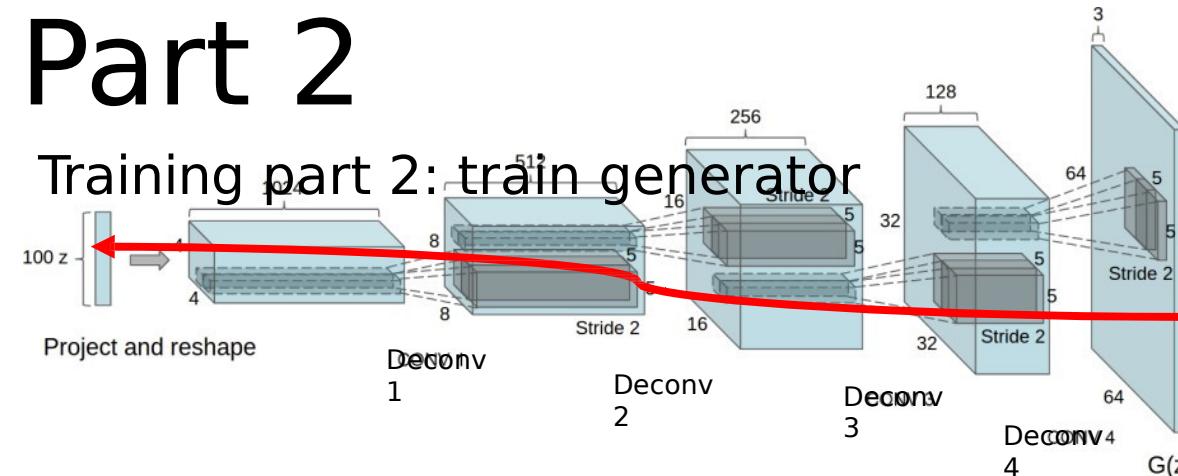
Training part 2: train  
generator



Gradients with respect to fake images but  
labelled as “real”

# Training GAN – Part 2

Training part 2: train generator

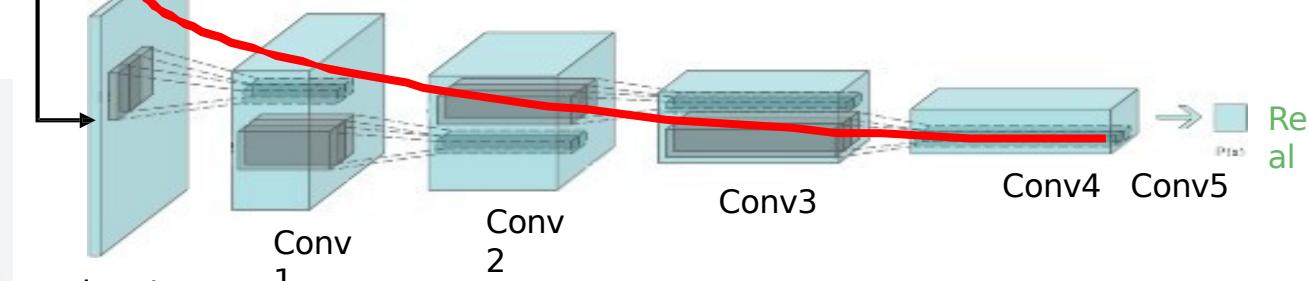


Generator  Discriminator  
or Min-max Game

G(z): batch\_size, 64, 64, 3  
Ground truth label: 1 (real)

\*\*In discriminator training, the ground truth label: 0 (fake)

Gradients with respect to fake images but labelled as “real”



```
#####
# (2) Update G network: maximize log(D(G(z)))
#####
netG.zero_grad()
label.fill_(real_label) # fake labels are real for generator cost
# Since we just updated D, perform another forward pass of all-fake batch through D
output = netD(fake).view(-1)
# Calculate G's loss based on this output
errG = criterion(output, label)
# Calculate gradients for G
errG.backward()
D_G_z2 = output.mean().item()
# Update G
optimizerG.step()
```

# GAN Zoo

InforGAN

AC-GAN

EBGAN

cGA  
N

WGAN

StyleGAN

ProgressiveGAN

CycleGAN

LapGAN

**BigBiGAN**  
BiGAN

StackGAN

BEGAN

BigGAN

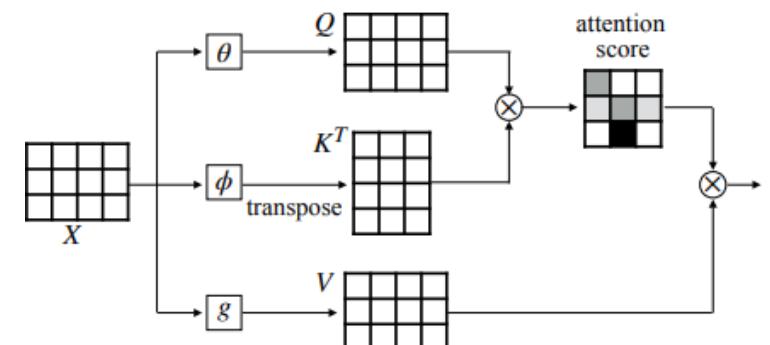
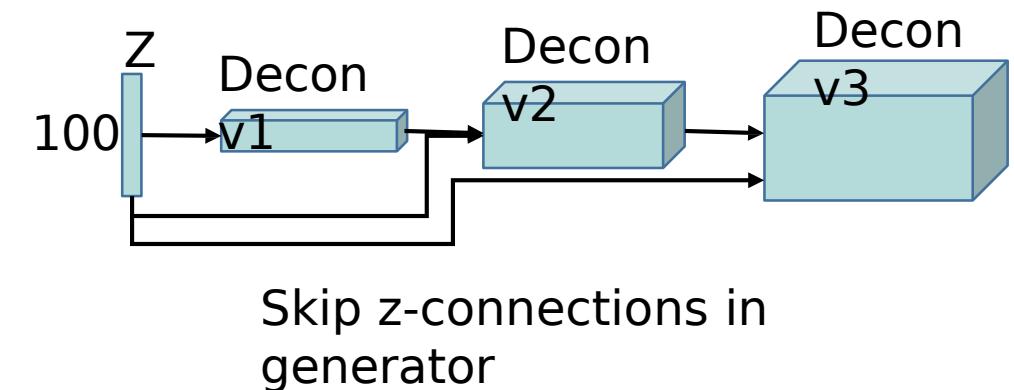
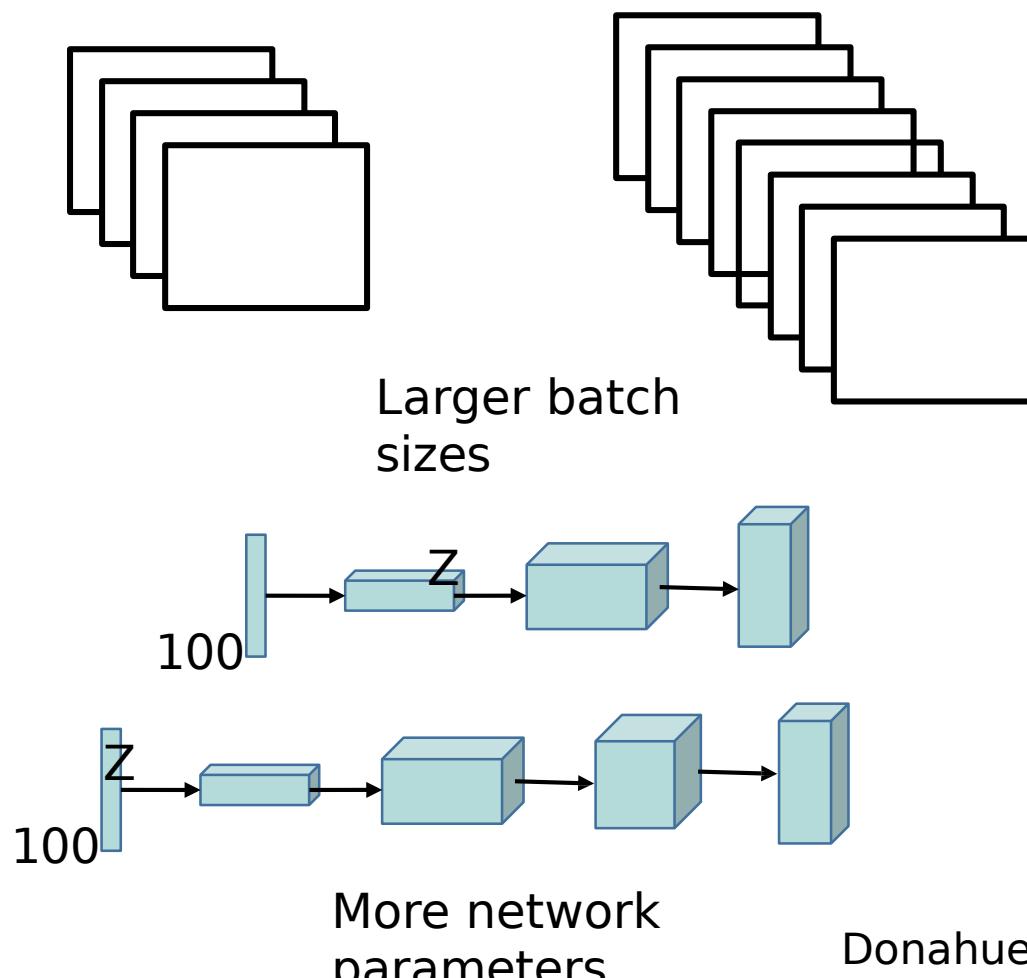
# Problems with Deep Convolutional GAN (DCGAN)

- Generated images are very small, 64x64, 128x128
- One generator only corresponds with one class of images (no control over random vector z)
- Generated image quality is bad
- Training GAN is brittle:
- Non-convergence: Model parameter oscillate and never converge
- Model collapse: Produce limited number of samples
- Diminished gradients: discriminator is too perfect and generator always fails
- Highly sensitive to hyperparameters

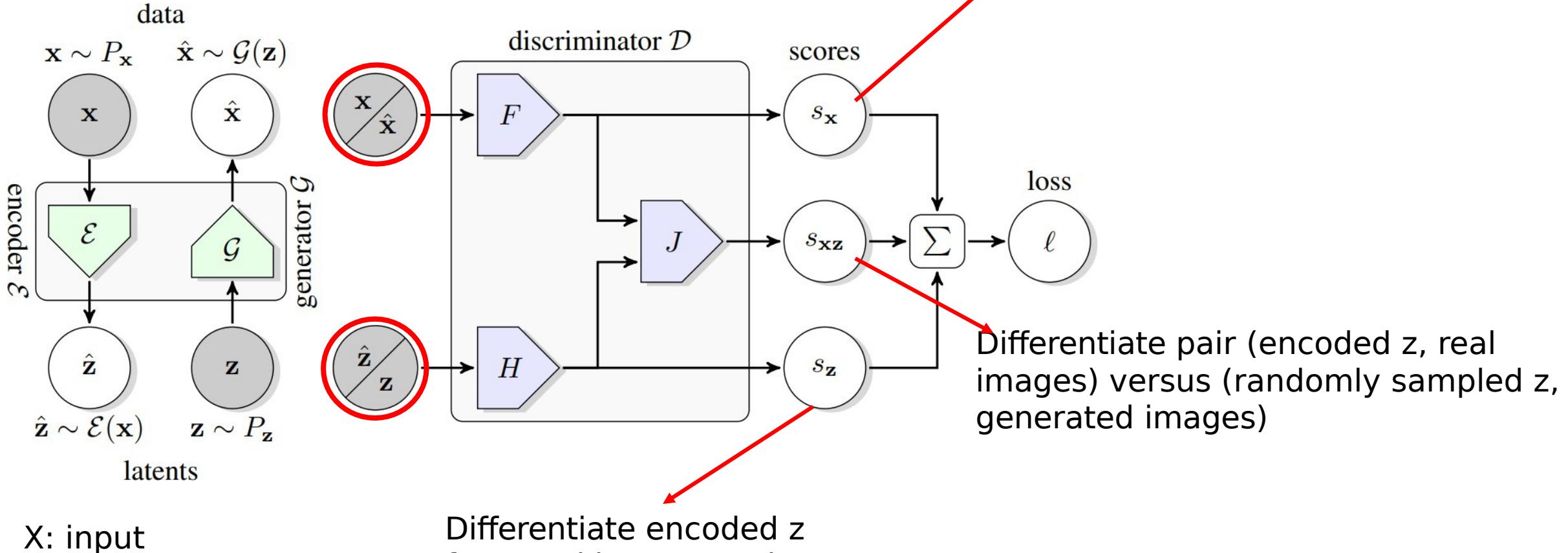


# BigBiGAN

Larger batch size, more network parameters, network architecture designs  
(skip z-connections, self-attention)



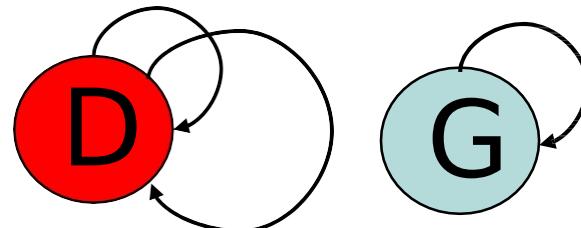
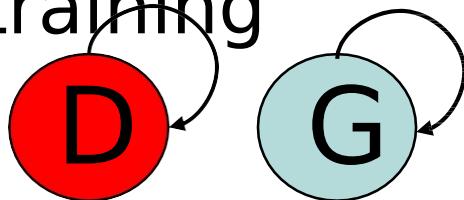
# BigBiGAN



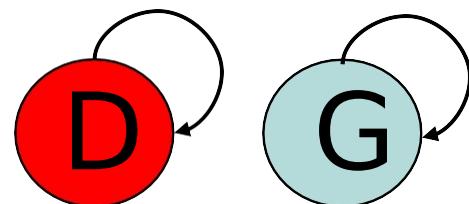
X: input image  
Z: latent code

# Tricks for More Realistic Image Reconstruction

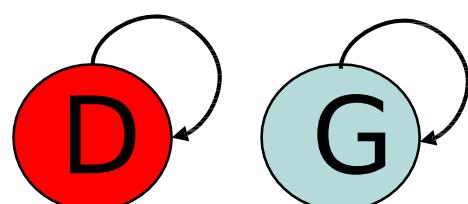
- Update discriminators more often than generators during training



- Moving average of model weights (Progressive GAN)

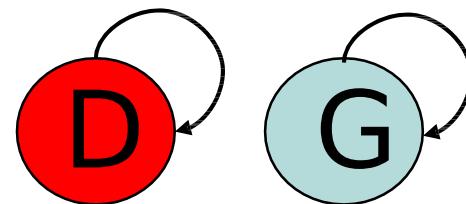


After 1<sup>st</sup> epoch,  
Generator  
Parameter W\_G1



After 2nd epoch,  
Generator  
Parameter W\_G2

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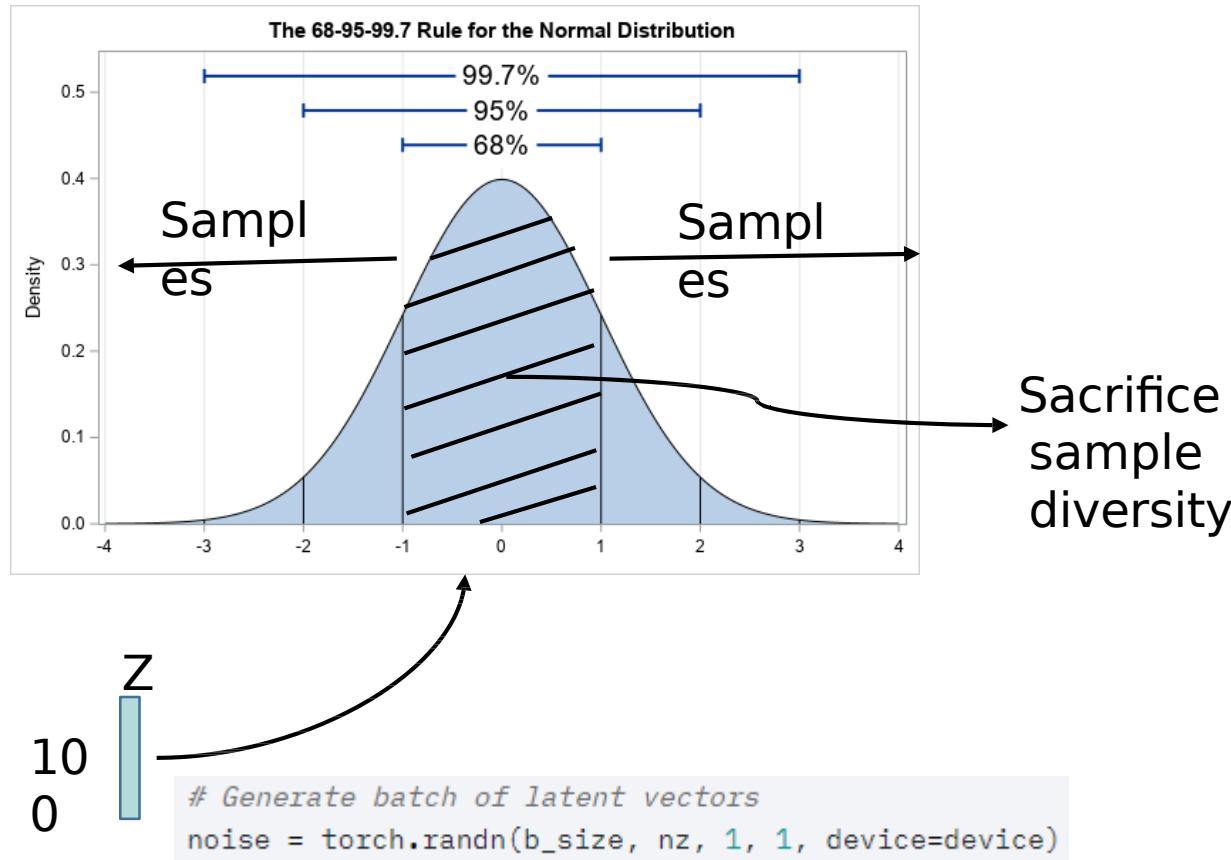


After Tth epoch,  
Generator  
Parameter W\_GT

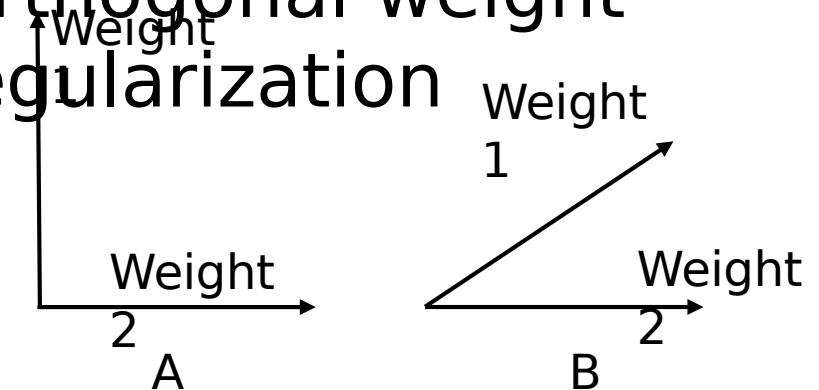
$$W_{G\text{final}} = \text{average}(W_G 1, W_G 2, \dots, W_{GT})$$

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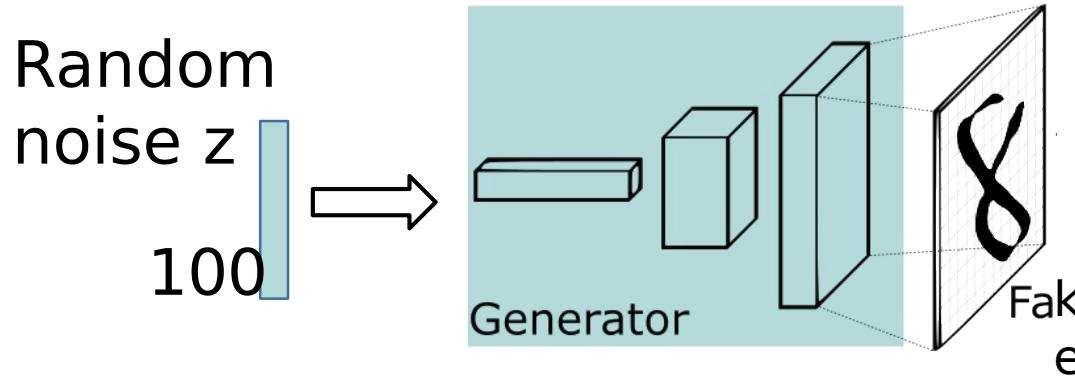
- Truncate z resampling at test stage



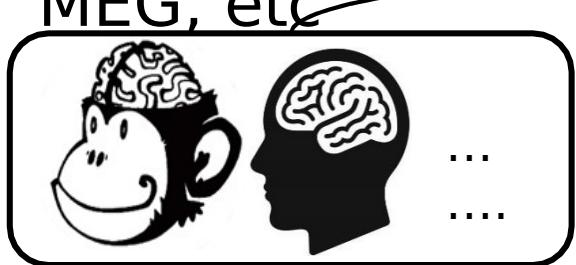
- Orthogonal weight initialization
- Orthogonal weight regularization



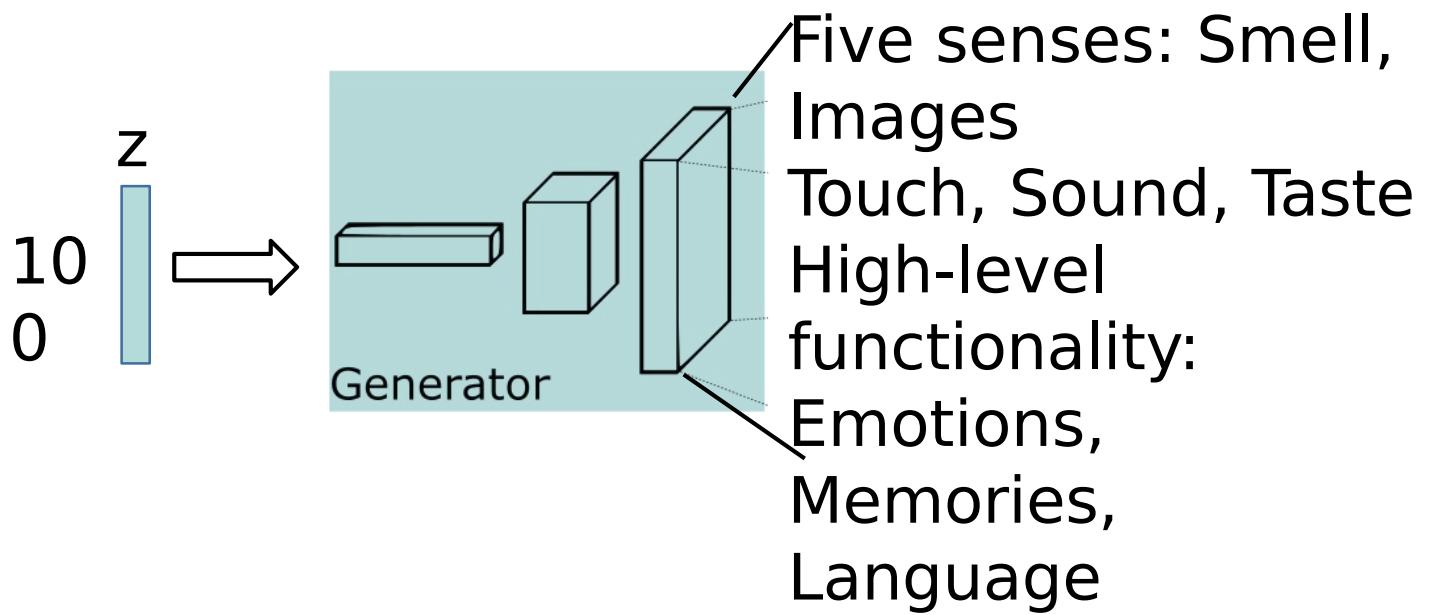
# Brain Reading



Brain Codes from  
ECoG, fMRI, EEG,  
MEG, etc



All Animal  
species



# Image Reconstruction Methods from Brain Signals

Overview of Image Reconstruction Methods from Brain Signals

- Gradient Backpropagation

- DeepDream
- TextureSynthesis, StyleTransfer

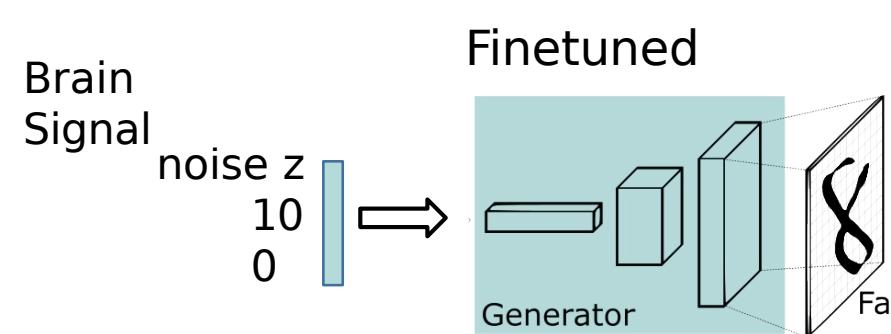
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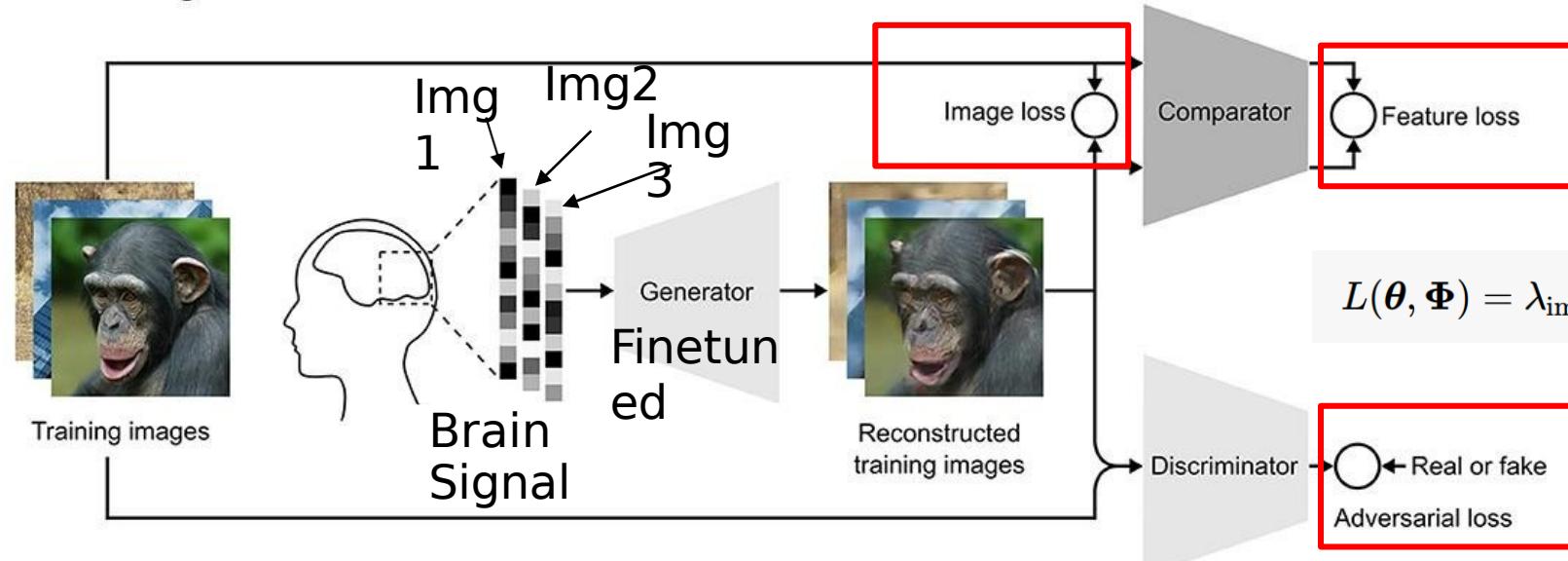
Generative model (Latent code)

Learnable Generative Model  
(Model parameter is fine-tuned)



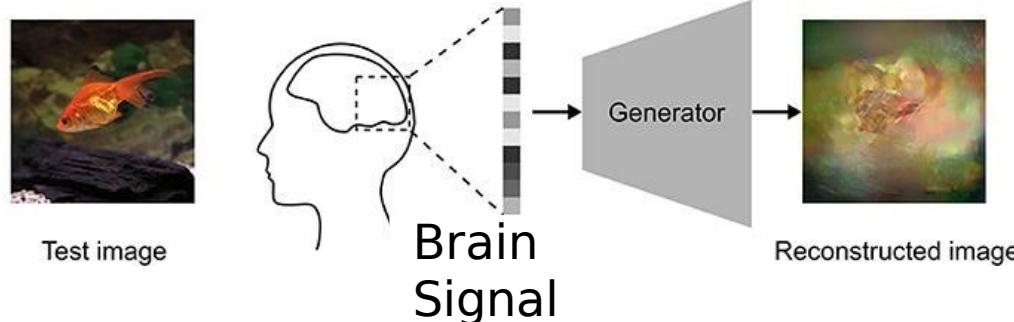
# End-to-End Learnable Generative Model

## A Model training



fMRI

## B Model test

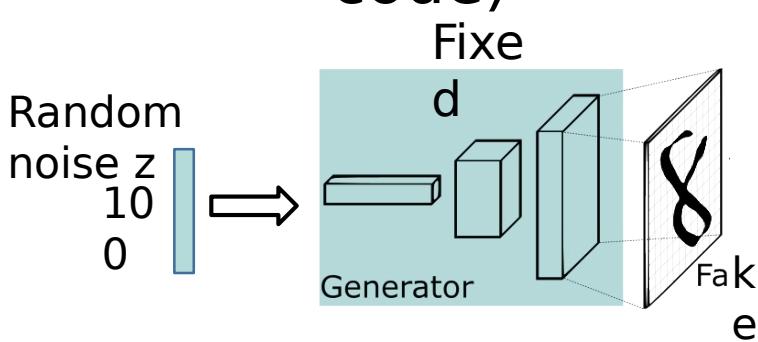


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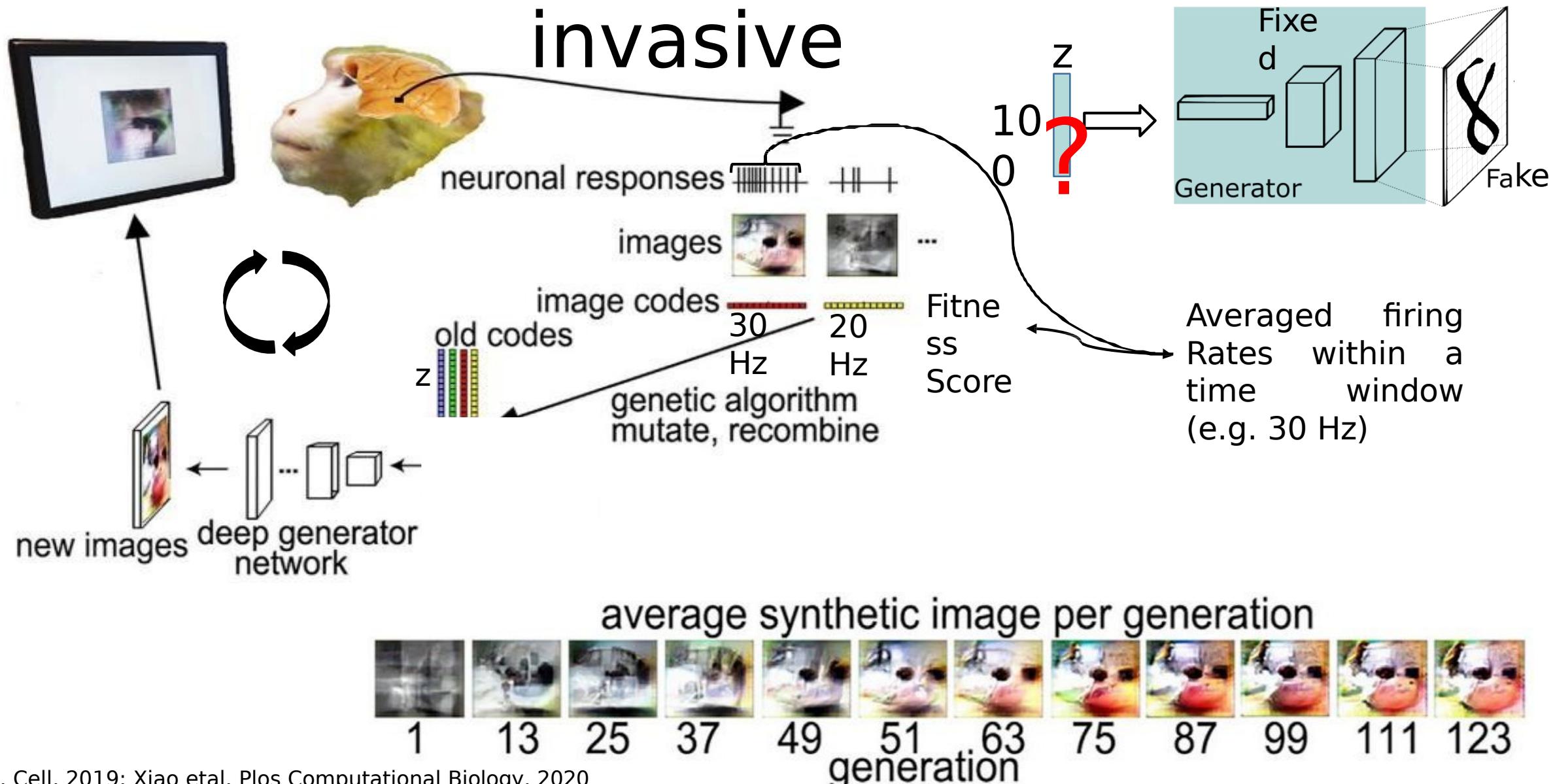


Learnable Generative Model  
(Model parameter is fine-tuned)

Fixed Generative Model (Model parameter is fixed)

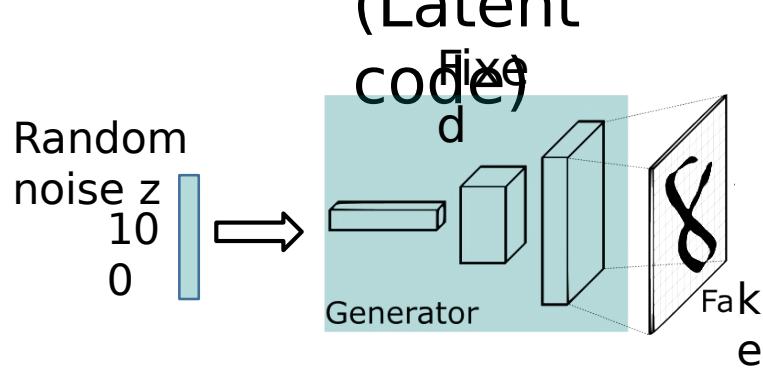
Genetic Algorithm

# Evolving Latent Code using Genetic Alg.



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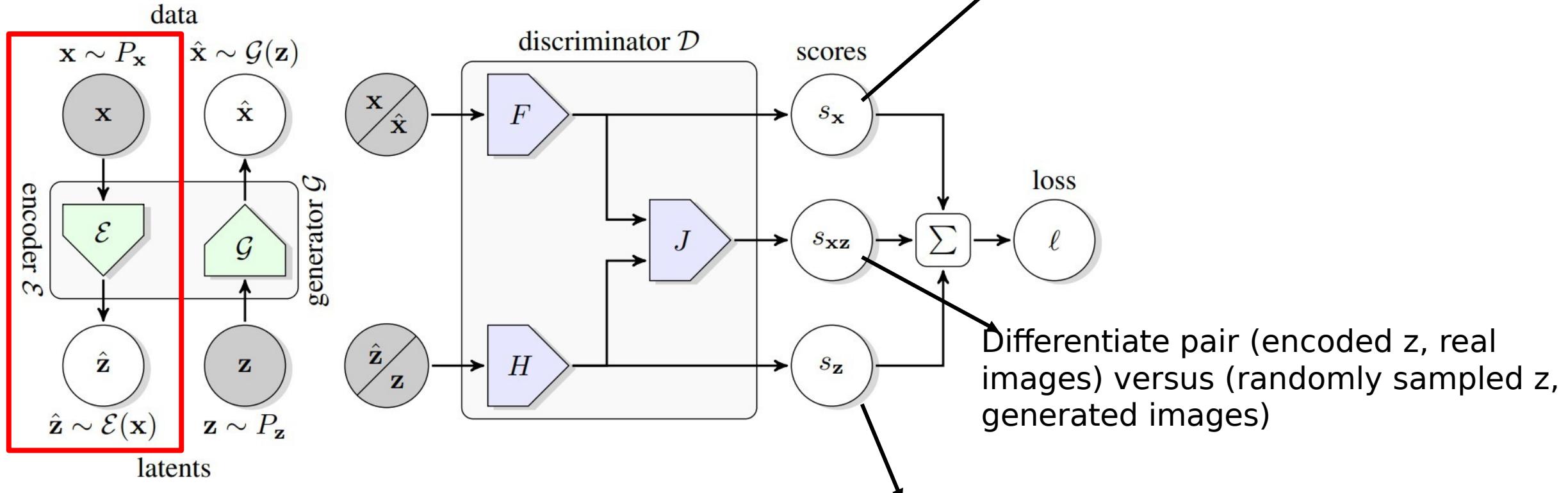
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Genetic Algorithm

Linear Regression

# BigBiGAN



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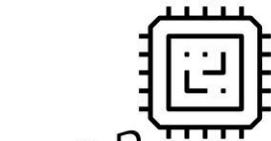
# Mapping Latent Code using Linear Regression

N total training images

Training Images

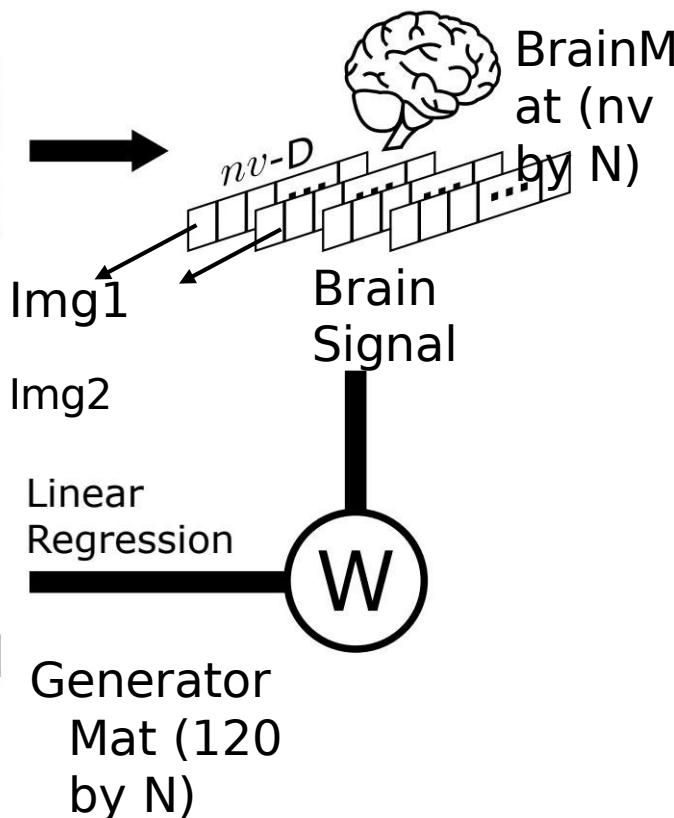


BigBiGAN Encoder  
(PCA)



120-D Latent Vectors

Training stage

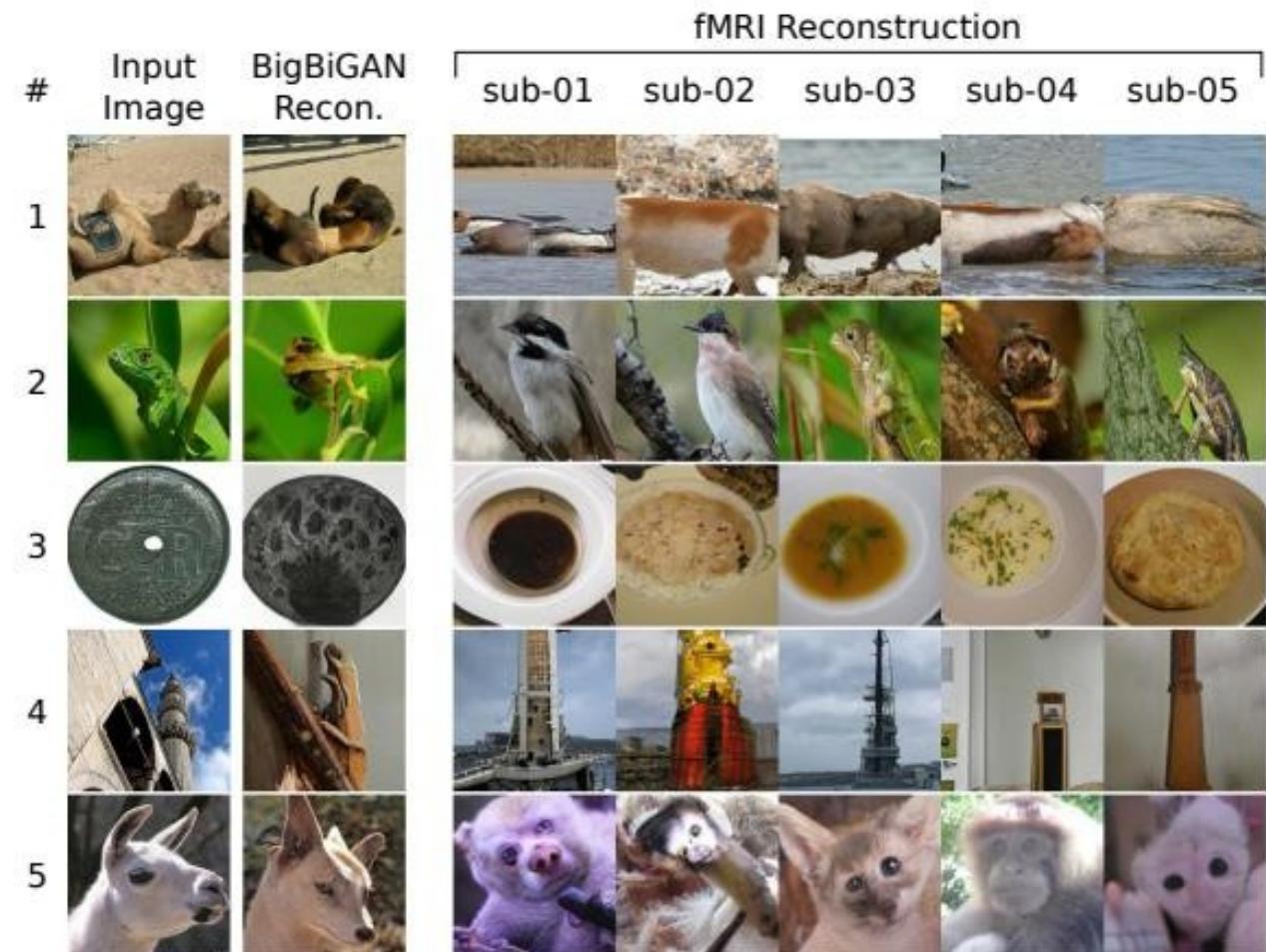
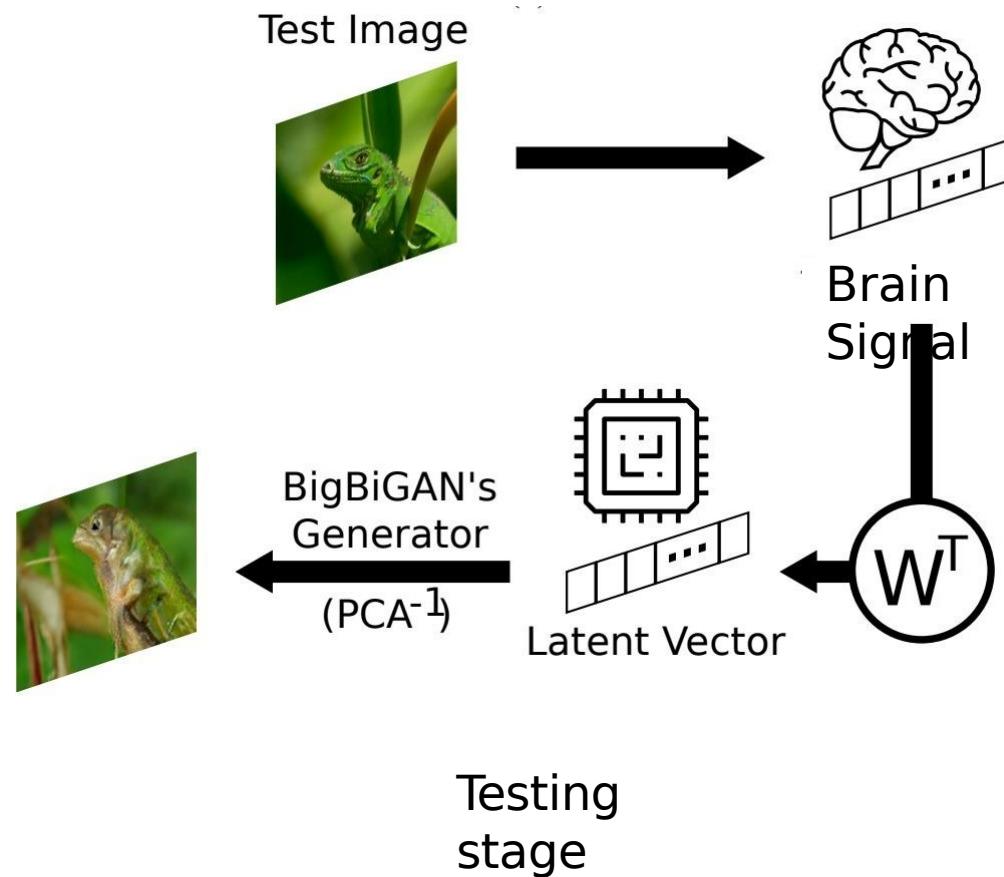


$$W \begin{pmatrix} nv \\ 120 \end{pmatrix} \text{ Generator Mat (120 by N)} = \text{BrainM at (nv by N)}$$

Practice:

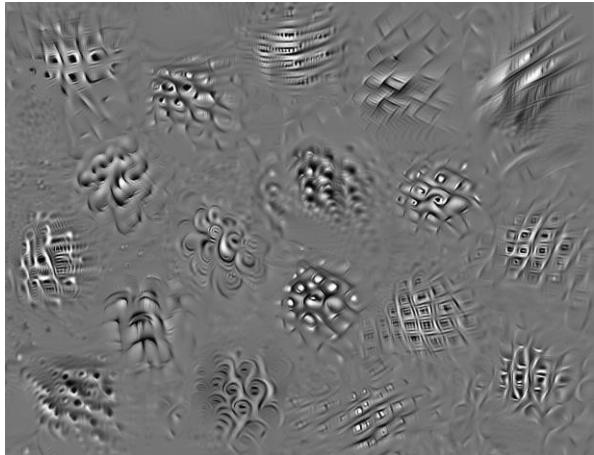
1.  $W$  might be invertible: psuedo-inverse
2. BrainMat size is too large: dimension reduction using PCA to pre-process the data
3. Latent code normalization

# Mapping using Linear Regression



Mozafari et al, Reconstructing Natural Scenes from fMRI Patterns using BigBiGAN, 2020

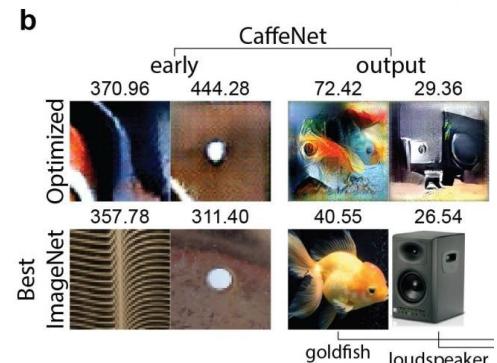
# Which brain reader is better?



Bashivan et al,  
Science, 2019



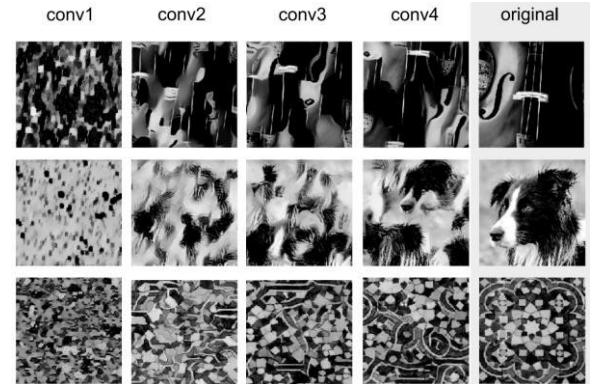
Shen et al, Frontiers in Computational Neuroscience, 2019



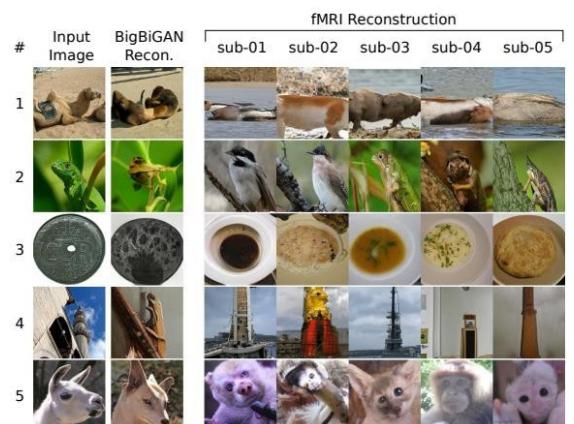
Ponce et al, Cell, 2019;  
Xiao et al, Plos Computational Biology, 2020



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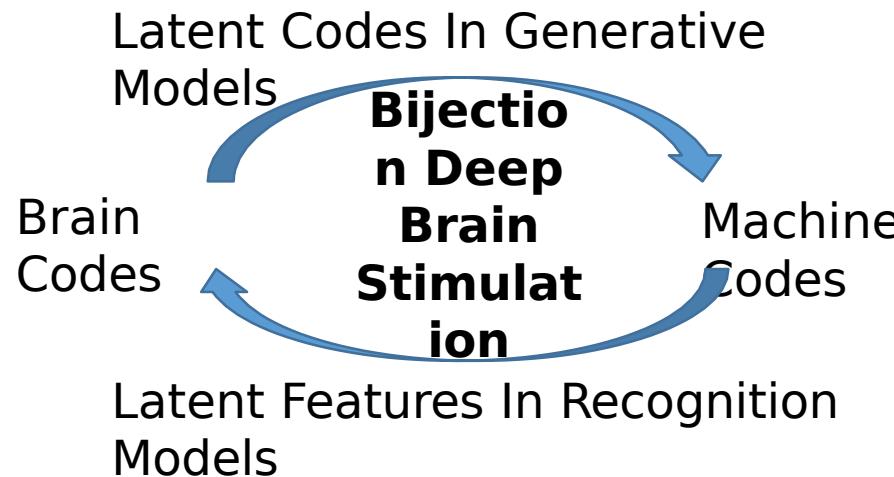
Cadena et al, Plos Computational Biology, 2019



Mozafari et al, arxiv, 2020

Do not be subjective. Use quantitative metrics to evaluate image reconstruction quality

# Towards Brain Computer Interface



## Brain Machine Interface (BCI) for the visually impaired

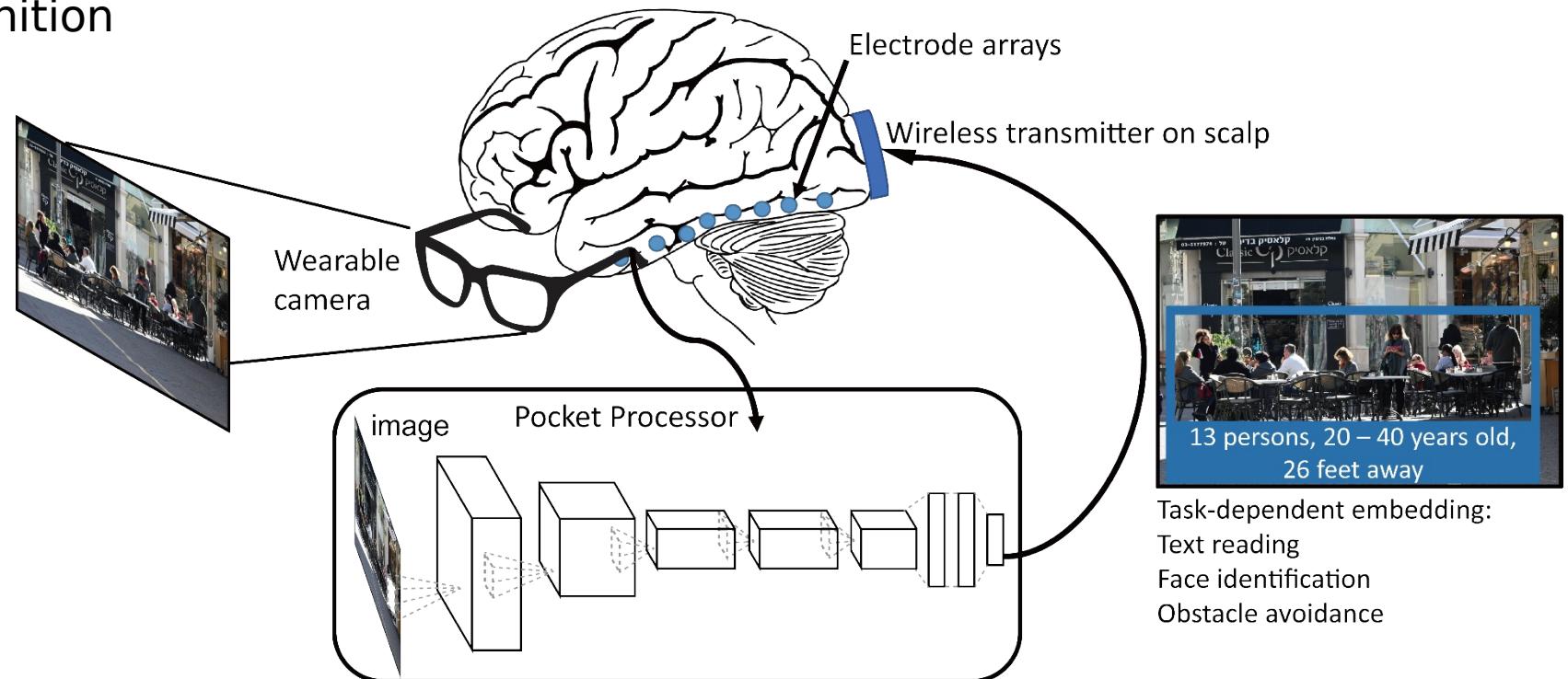
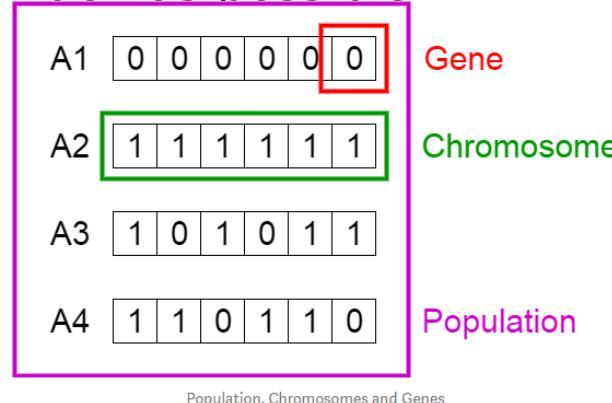


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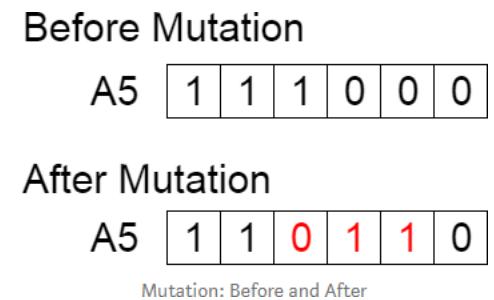
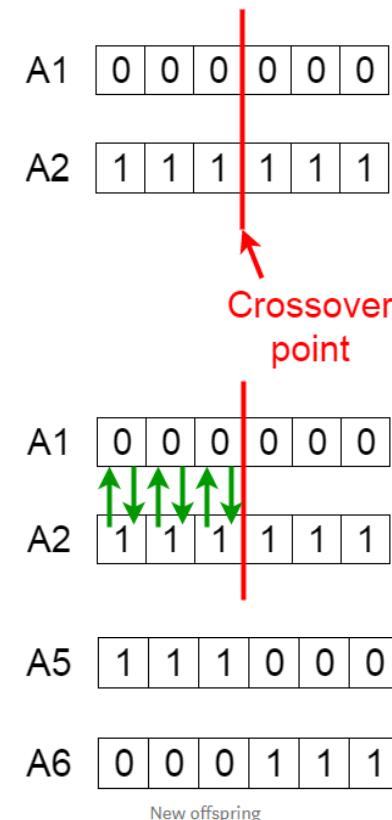
# Preliminaries on Genetic Algorithm

Natural selection process where the fittest individuals are selected for reproduction in order to produce offspring of the next generation. -> the fittest latent code  $z$  which drives neurons to fire as much as possible



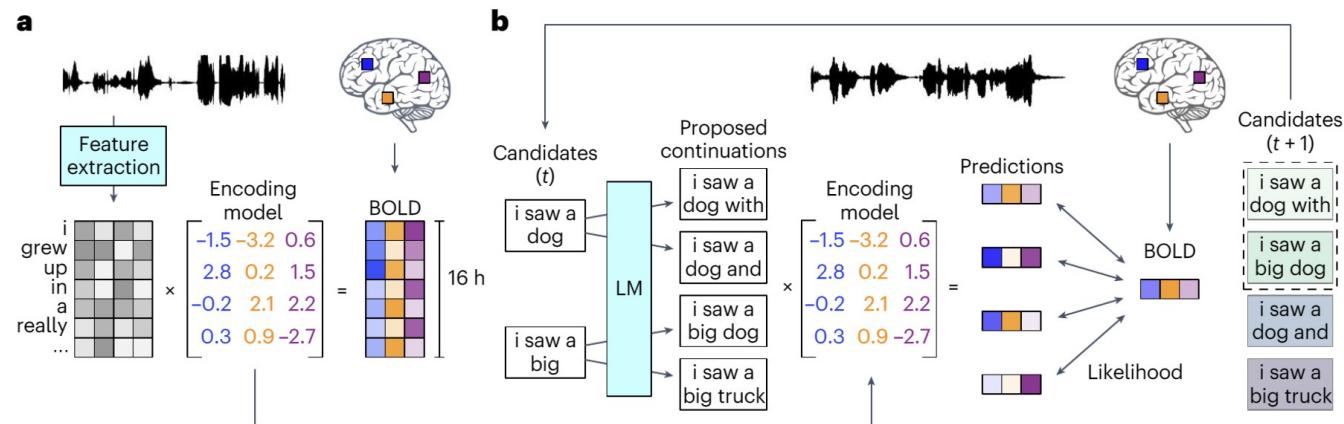
	Fitness score (Average Firing Rates)					
A	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A	1	0	1	0	1	1
2	1	1	0	1	1	0
A	4	5	2			
4						

Select  
on  
A  
Fittest  
parents  
2

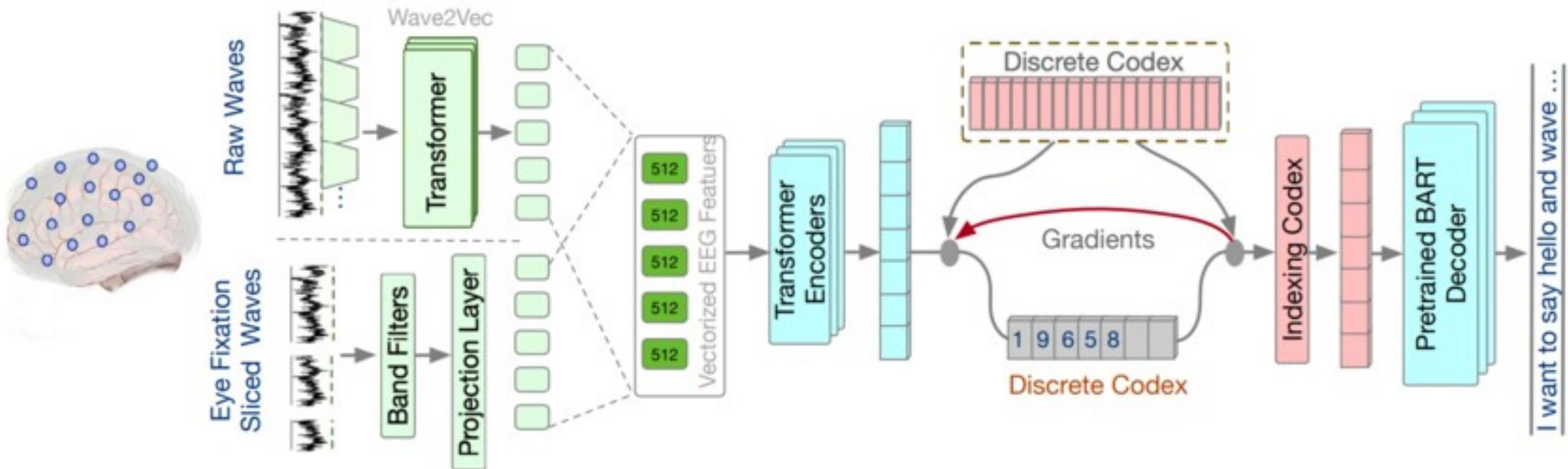


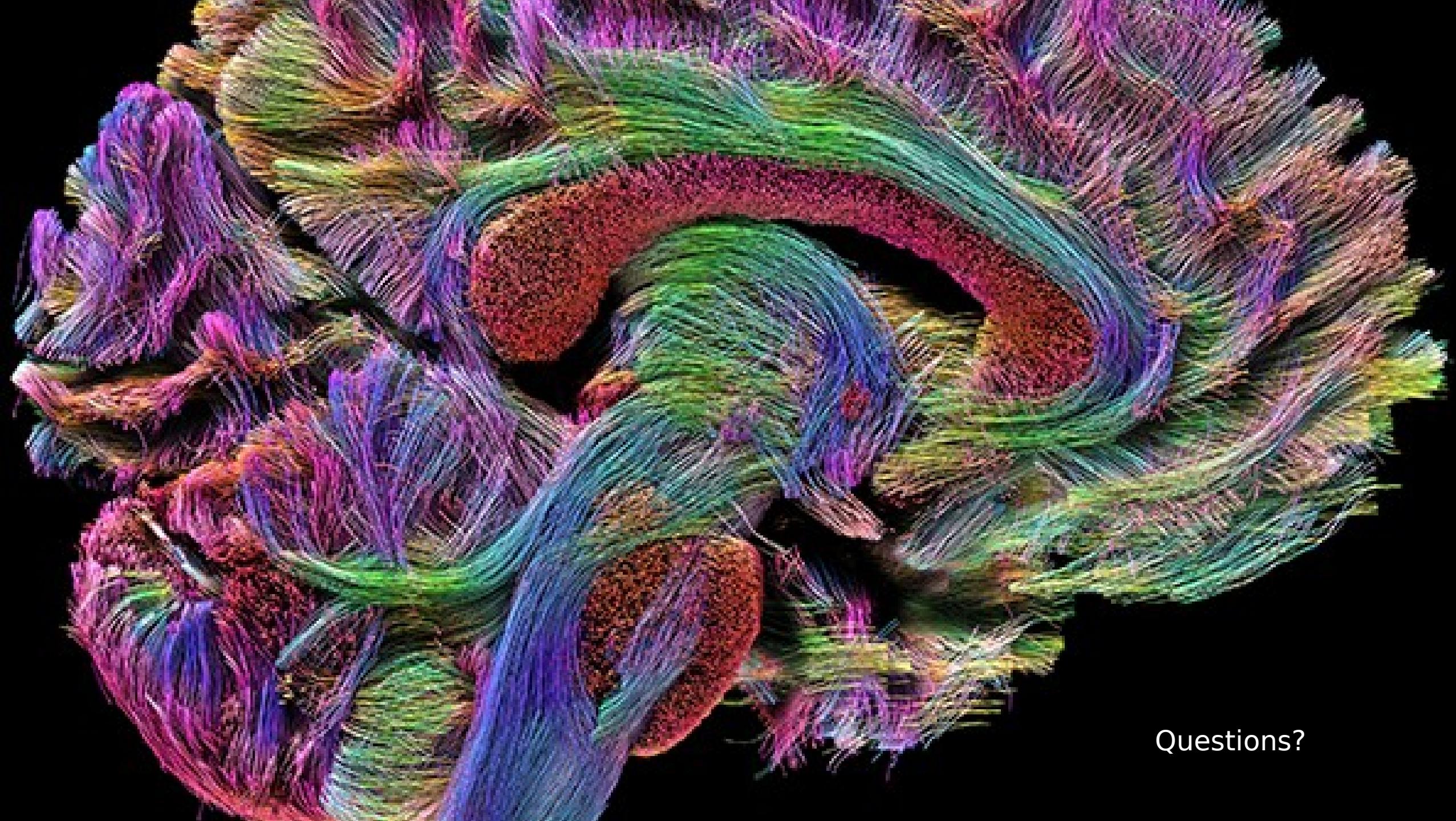
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START
Generate the initial population
Compute fitness
REPEAT
    Selection
    Crossover
    Mutation
    Compute fitness
UNTIL population has converged
STOP
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"DeWave: Discrete #EEG Waves Encoding for #Brain Dynamics to Text Translation"  
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Questions?