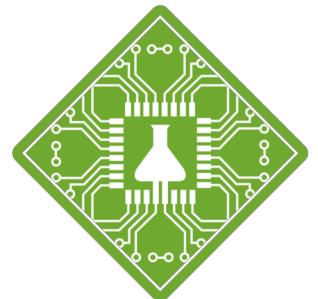


DEEP LEARNING FOR DRUG DISCOVERY

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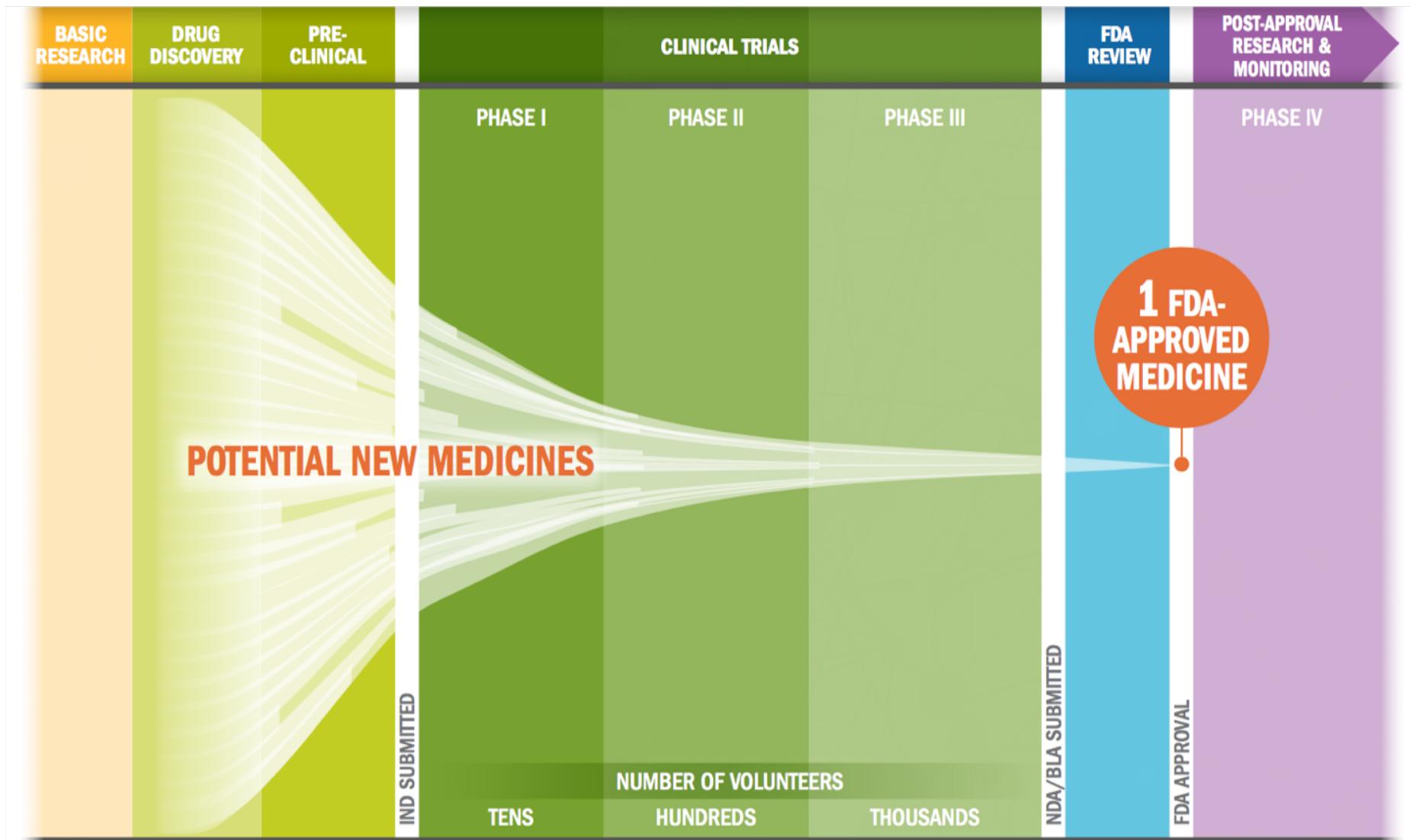
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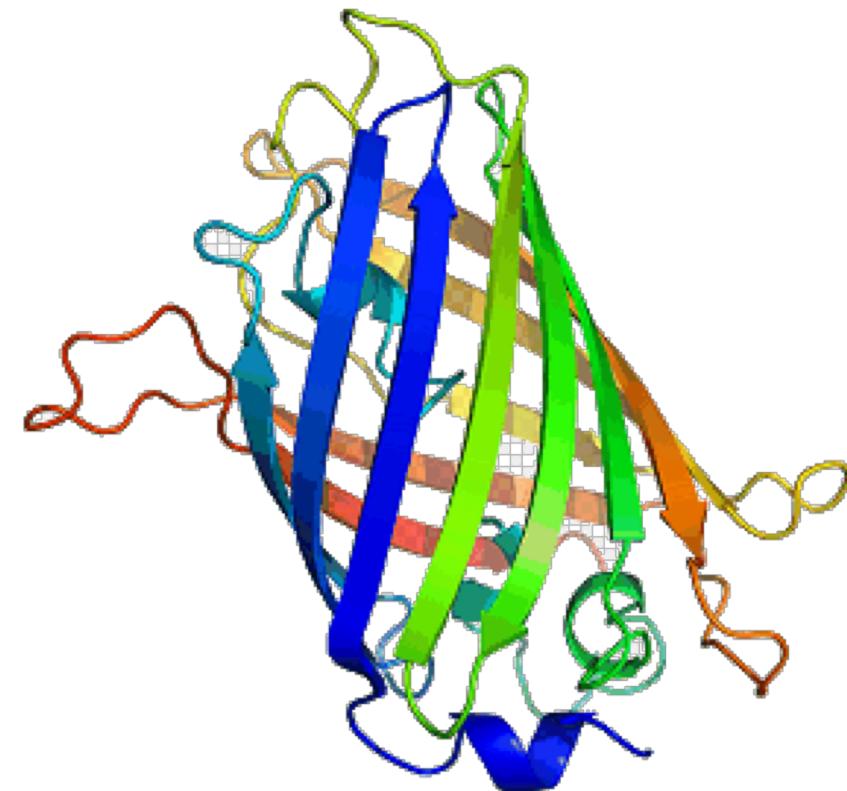
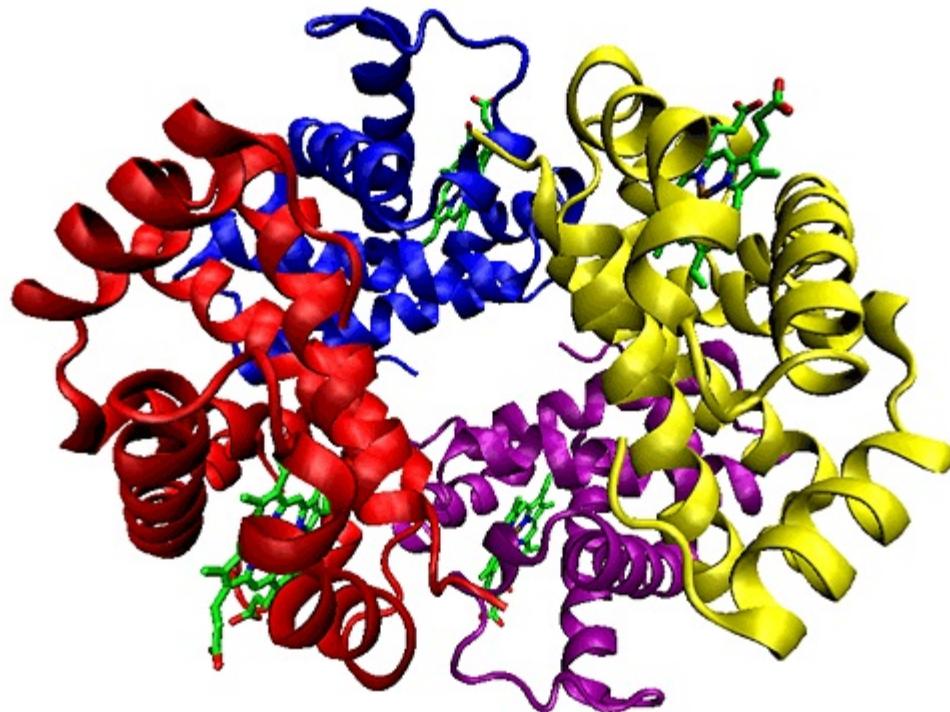
BIOPHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT



Key: IND: Investigational New Drug Application, NDA: New Drug Application, BLA: Biologics License Application

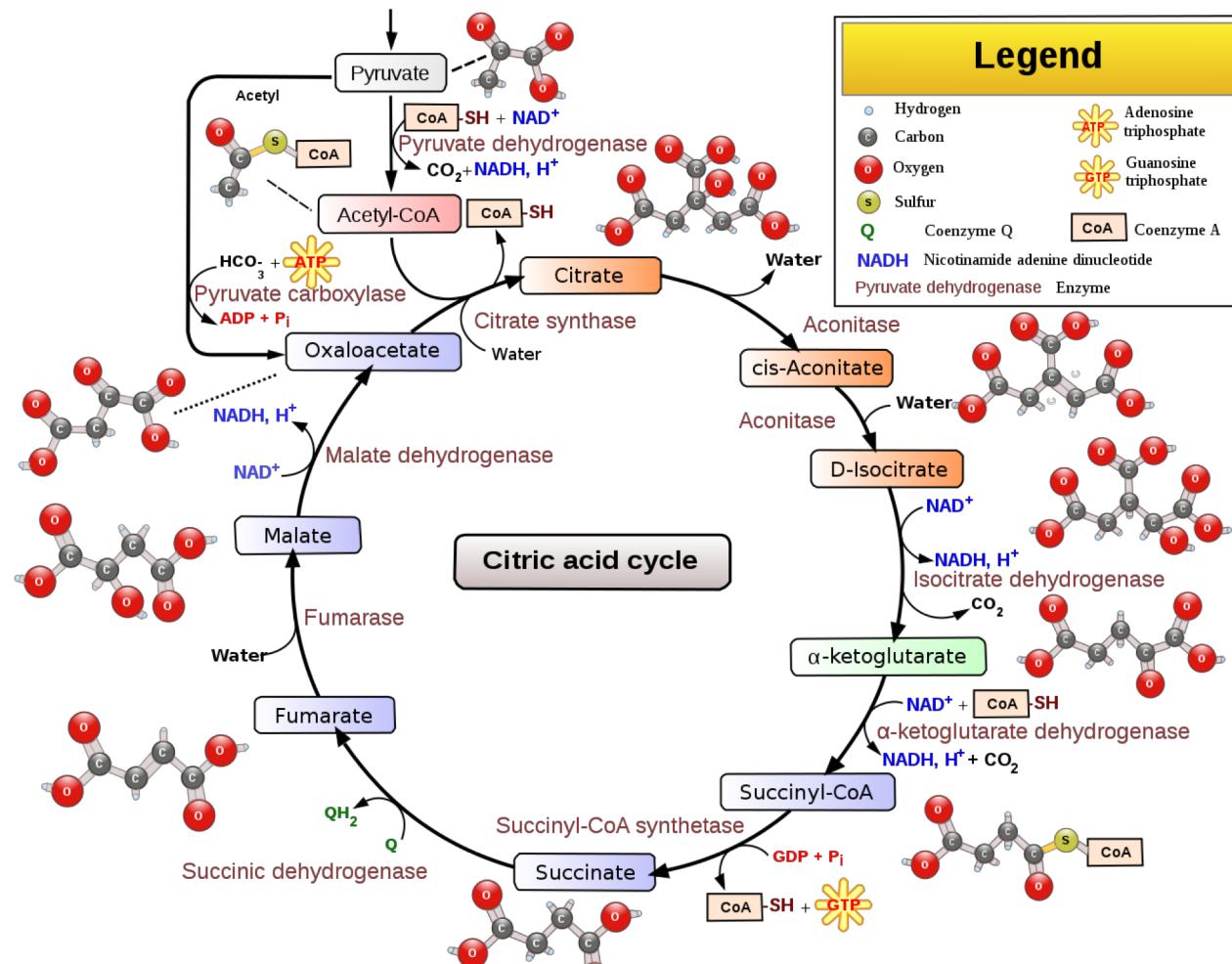
PROTEINS

- Large molecules (chains of amino acids)
- E.g. accelerate specific reactions



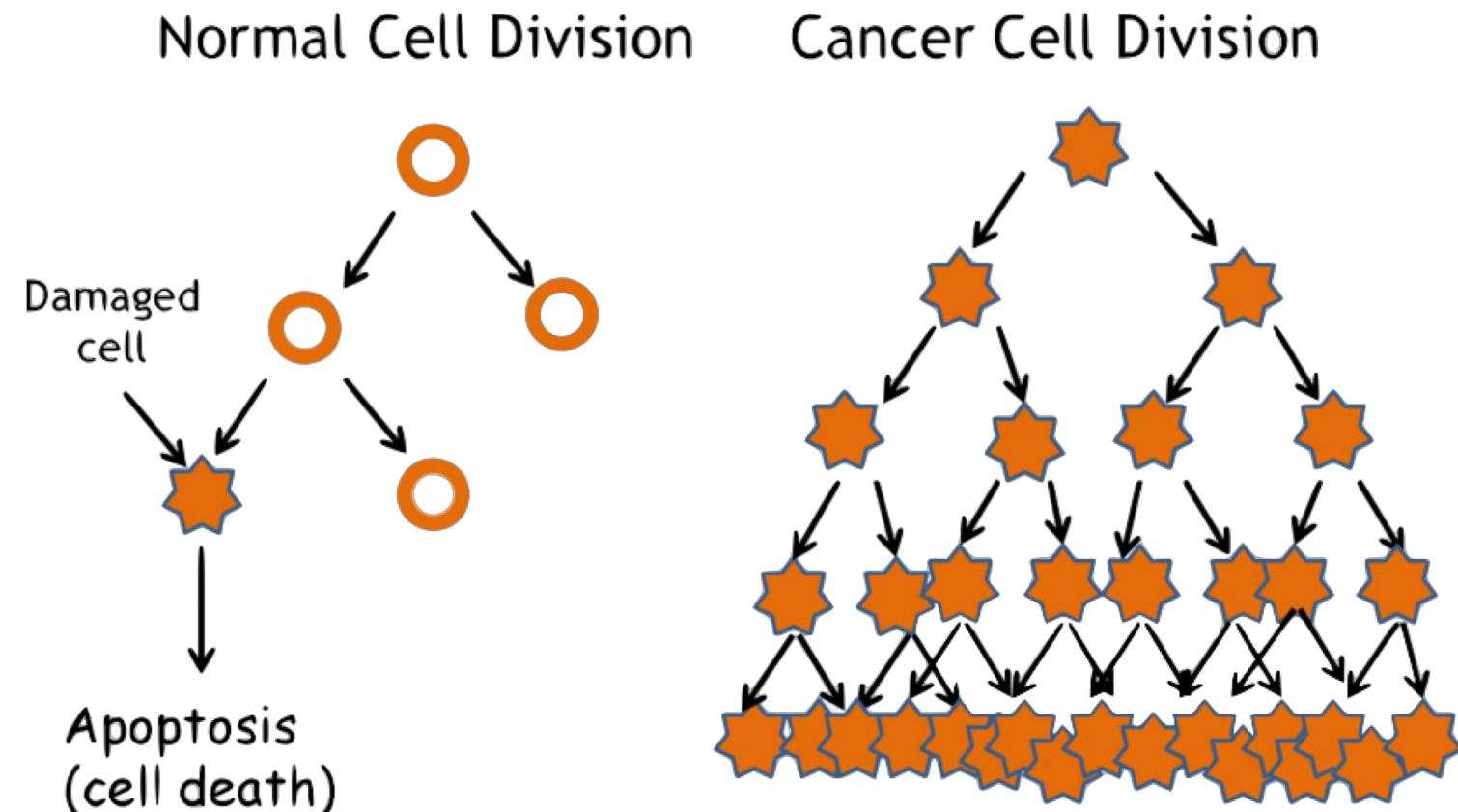
PROTEINS

- Healthy proteins work well together



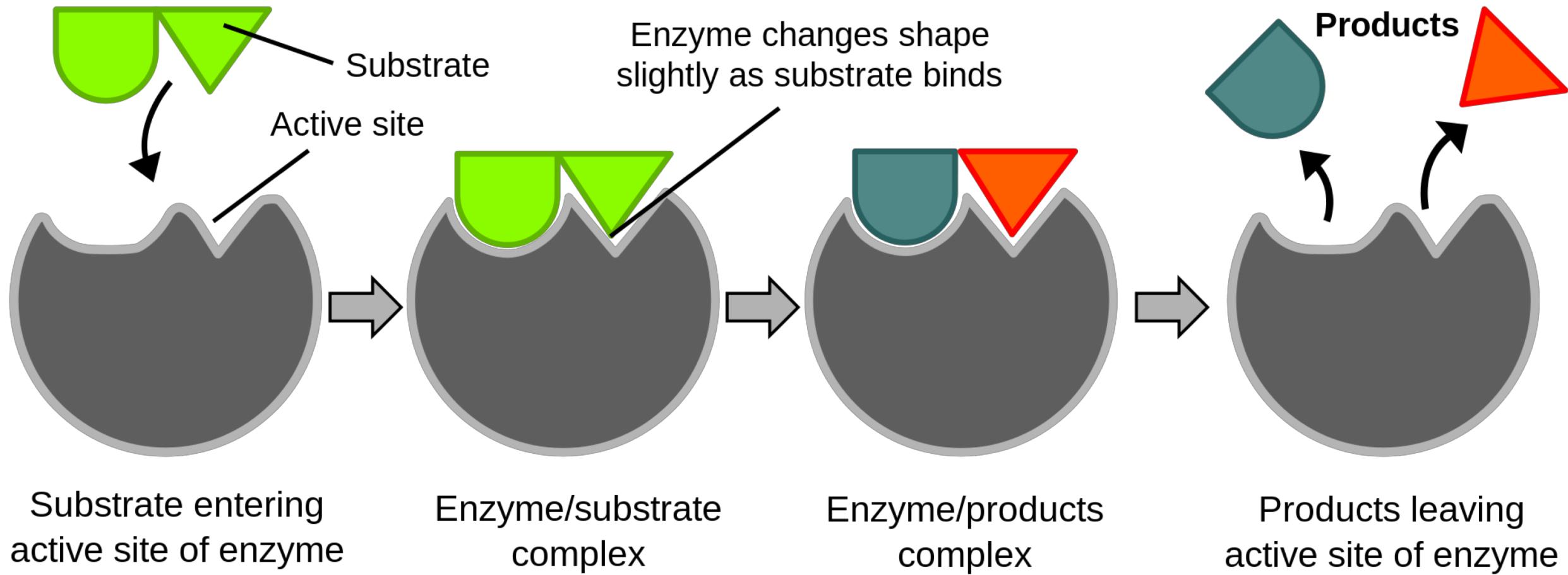
PROTEINS

- Malicious proteins may be constantly active
- What can go wrong:
 - Constantly activated cell division
 - Resistance to apoptosis
- = Cancer



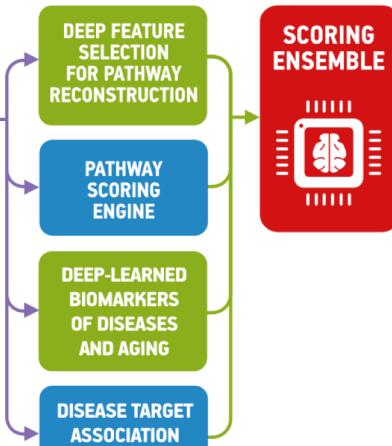
ACTION

- Protein transforms a substrate into products
- Should have some regulation mechanism...



FULL DRUG DISCOVERY PIPELINE

TARGET IDENTIFICATION PIPELINES (DISEASES + AGING)



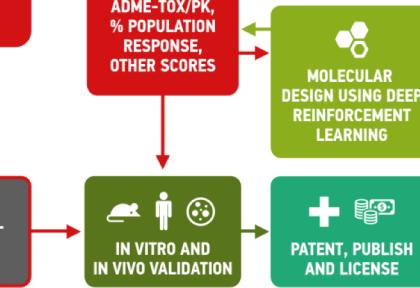
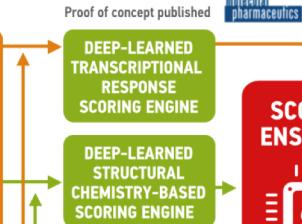
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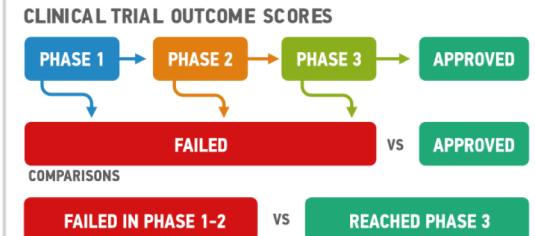
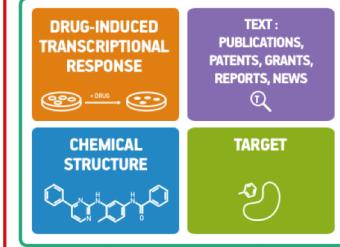
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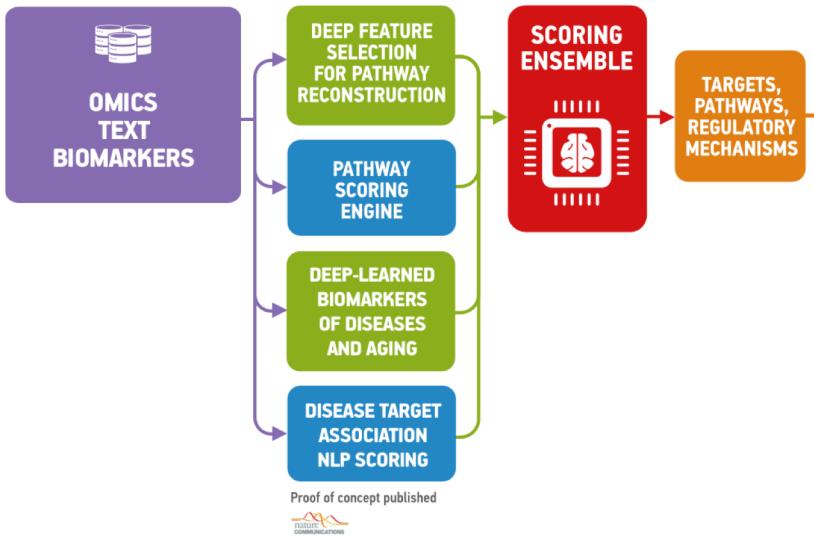
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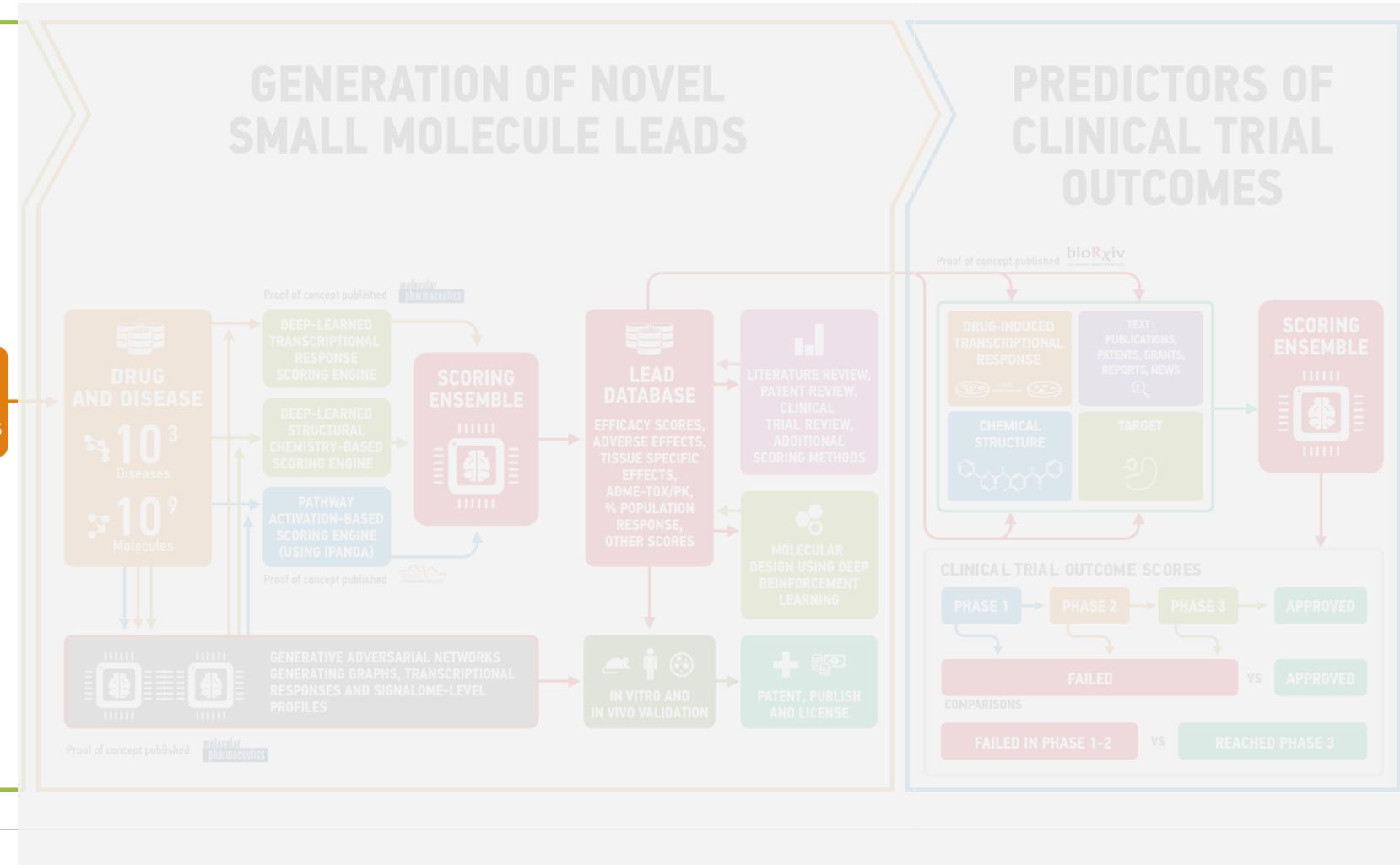
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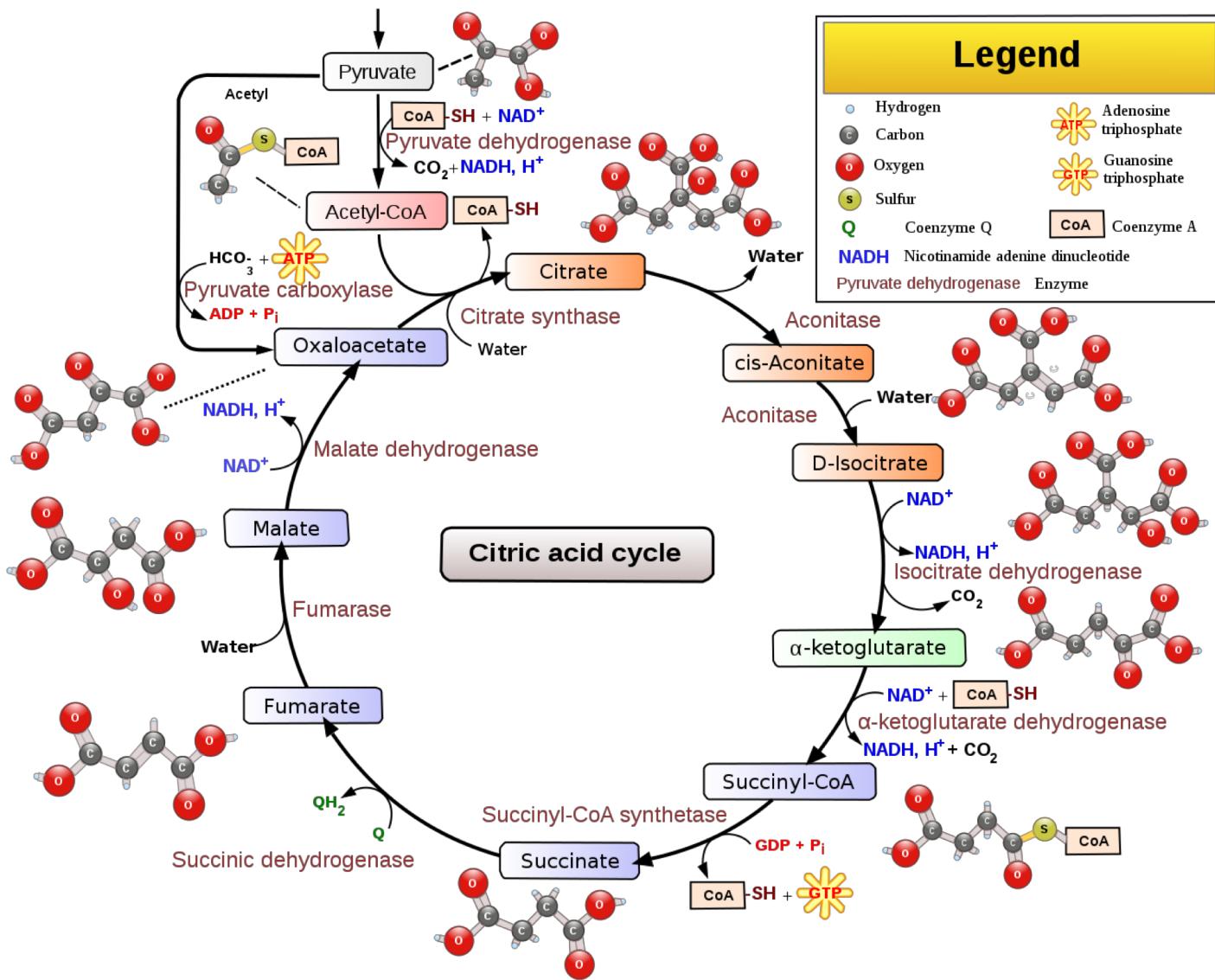
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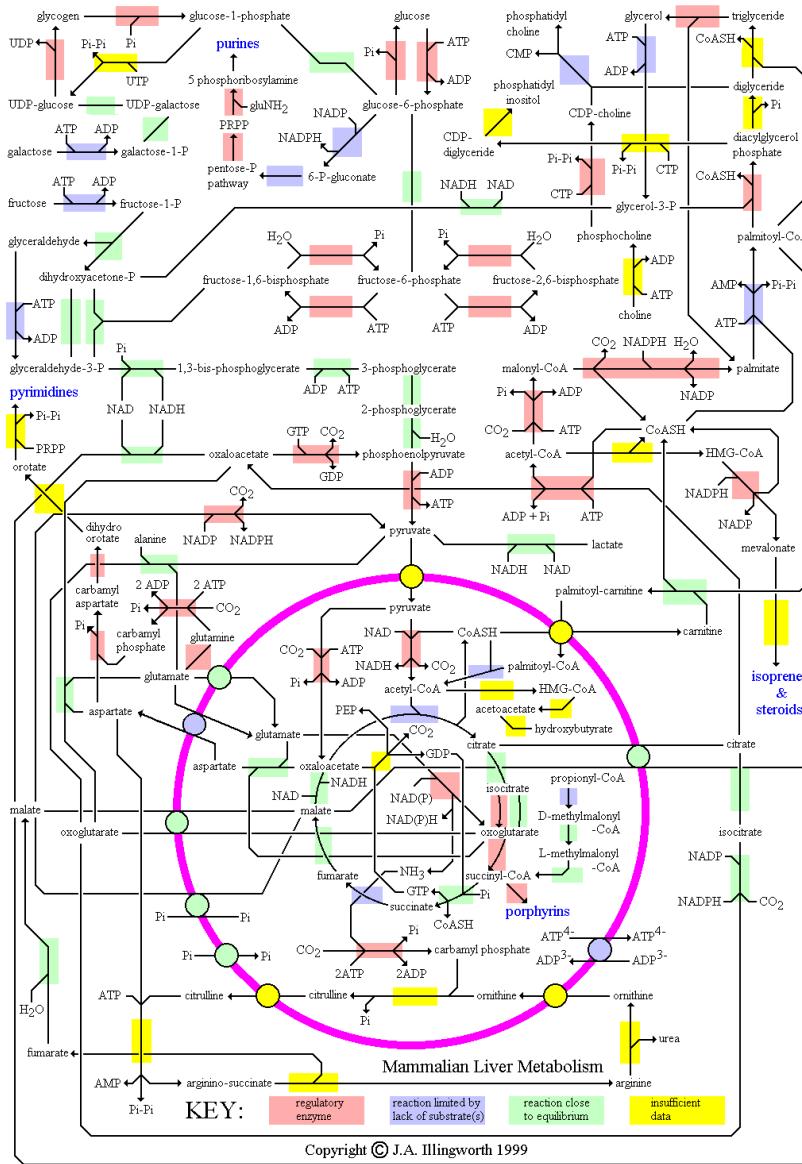
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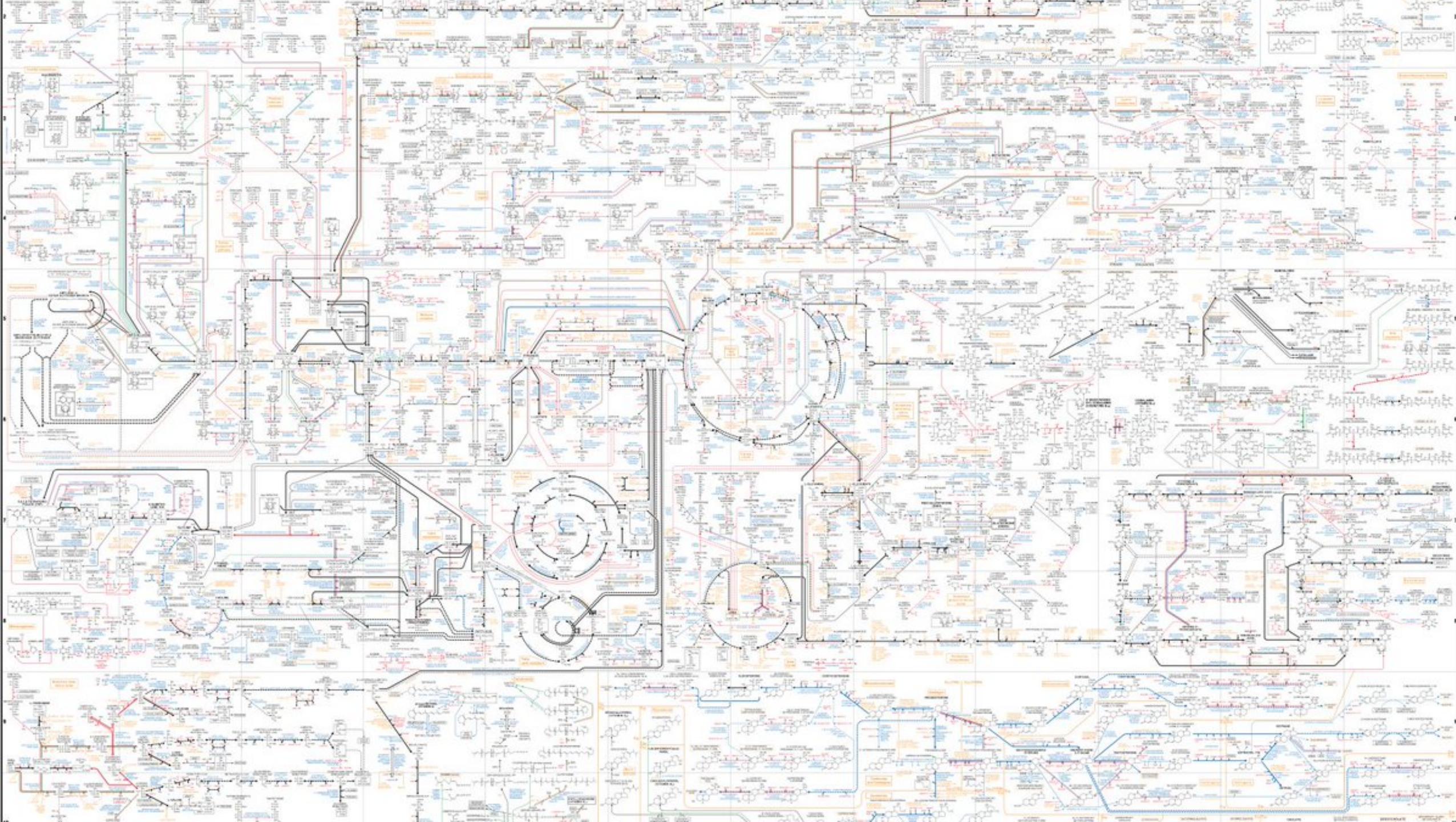


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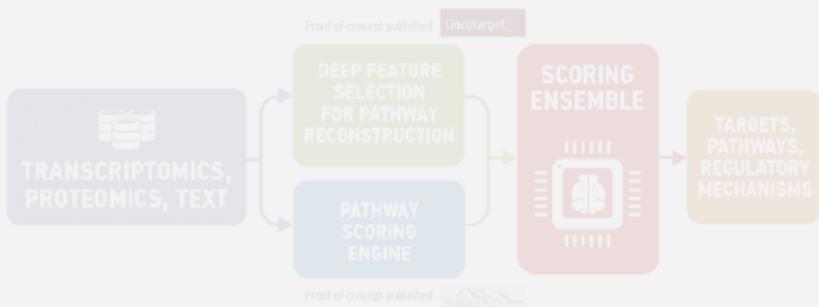
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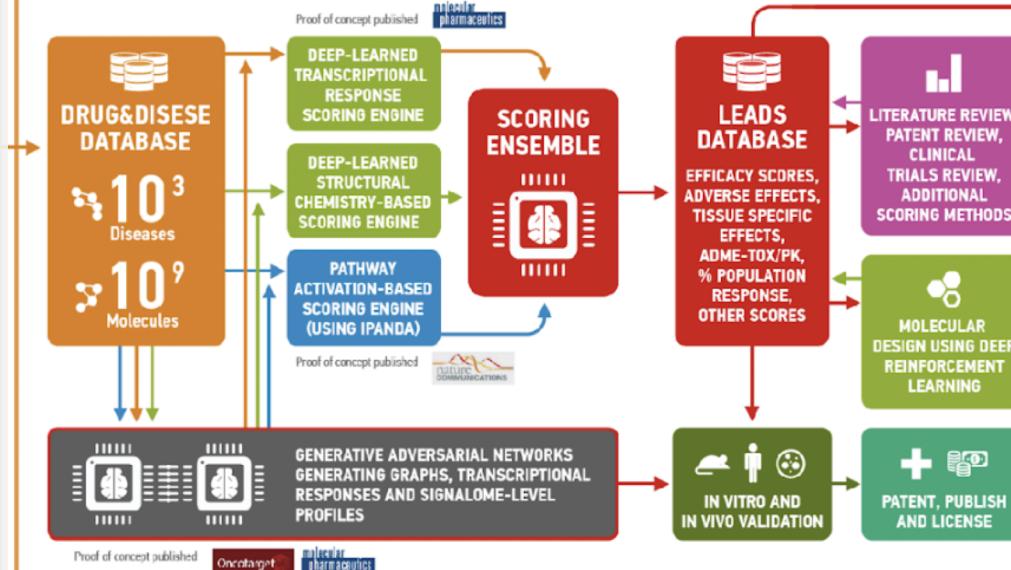


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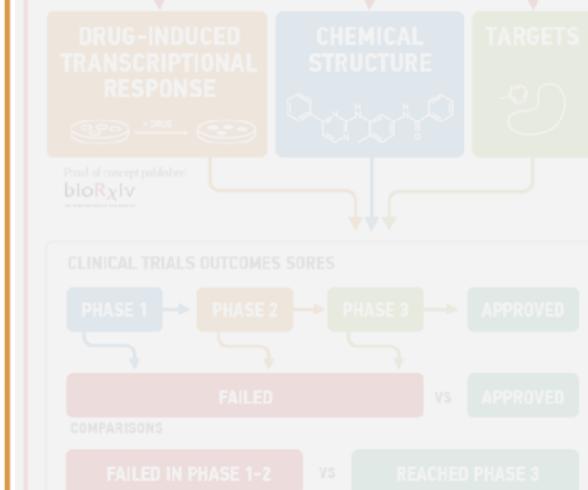
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GENERATIVE MODELS

MACHINE LEARNING MODELS

Discriminative: Who painted a picture?

Generative: Paint a new picture



Van Gogh, Starry night

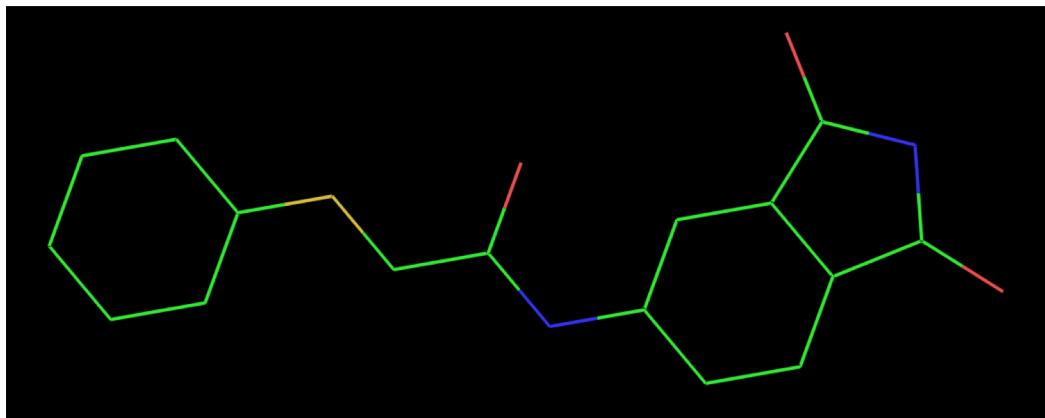


Daniil Polykovskiy, Late at night

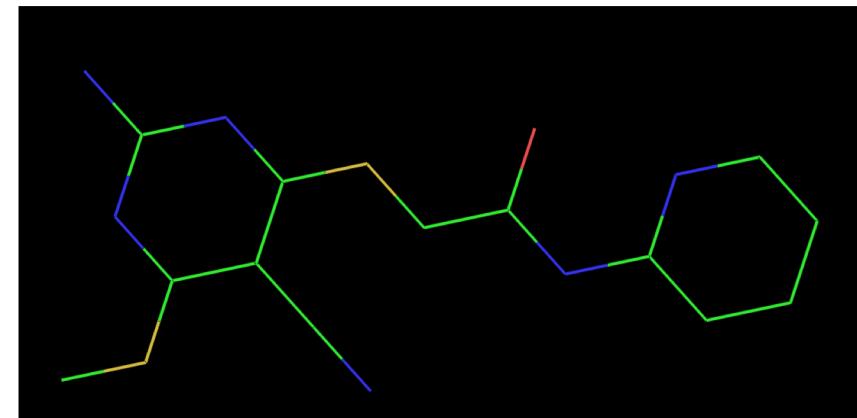
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Discriminative: Is a molecule active?

Generative: Create a new structure



Known active molecules



New active molecule

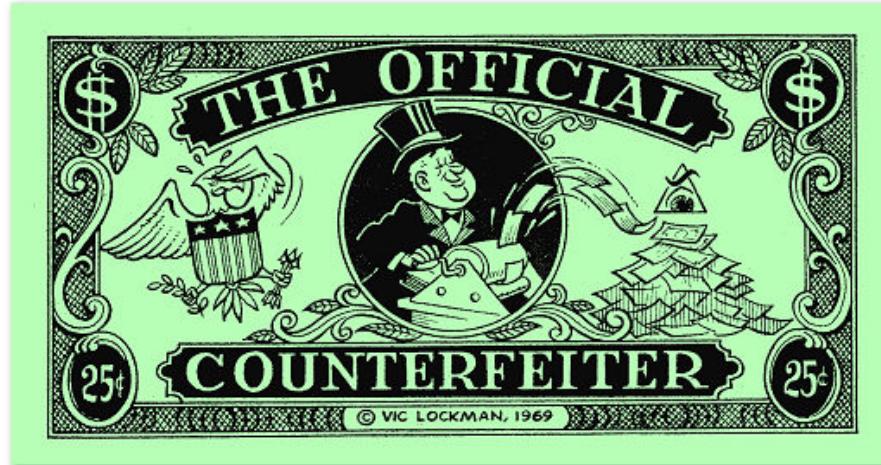
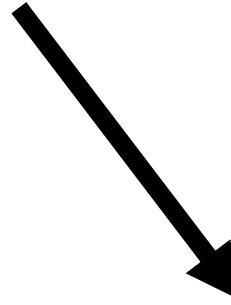
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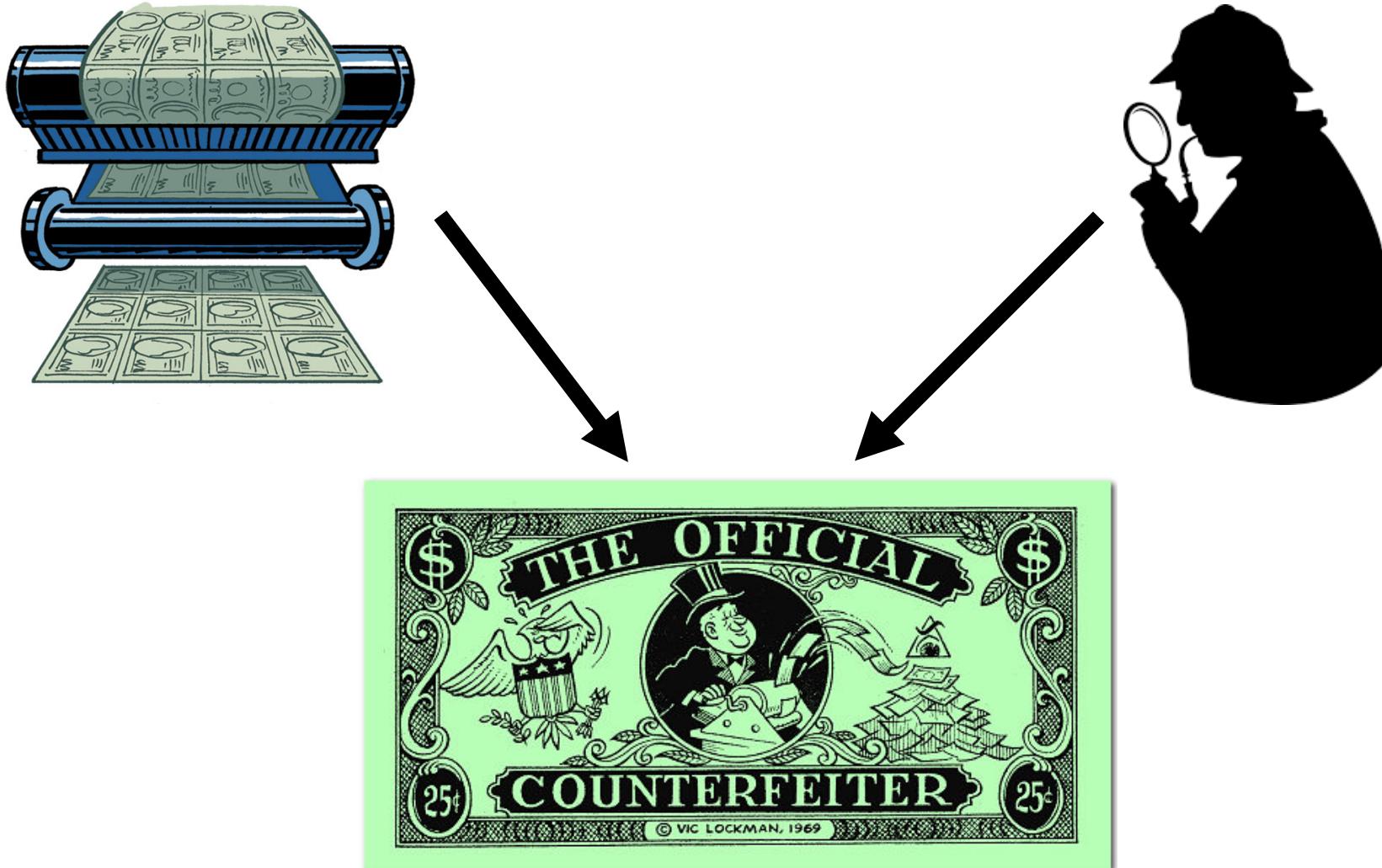
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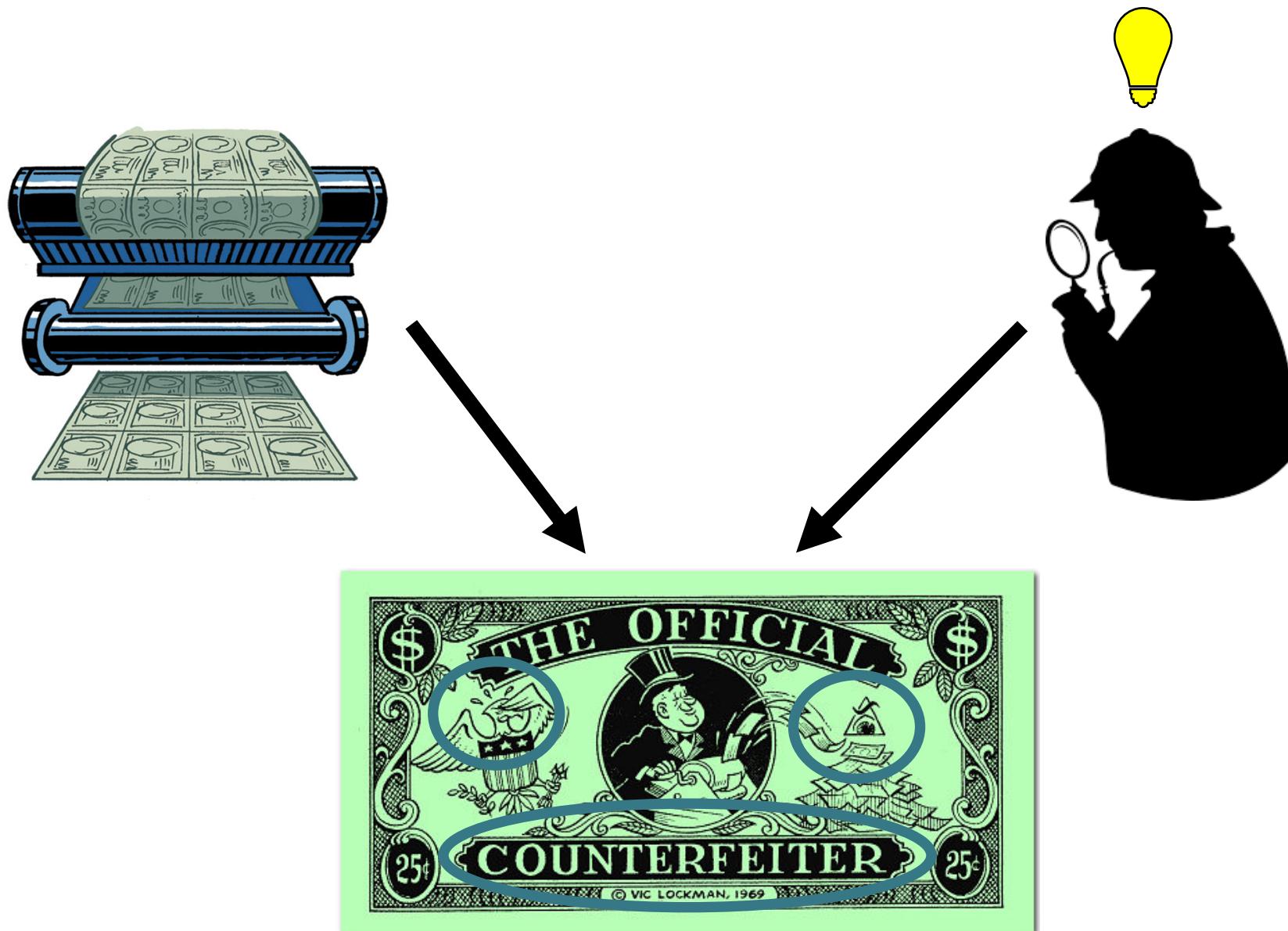
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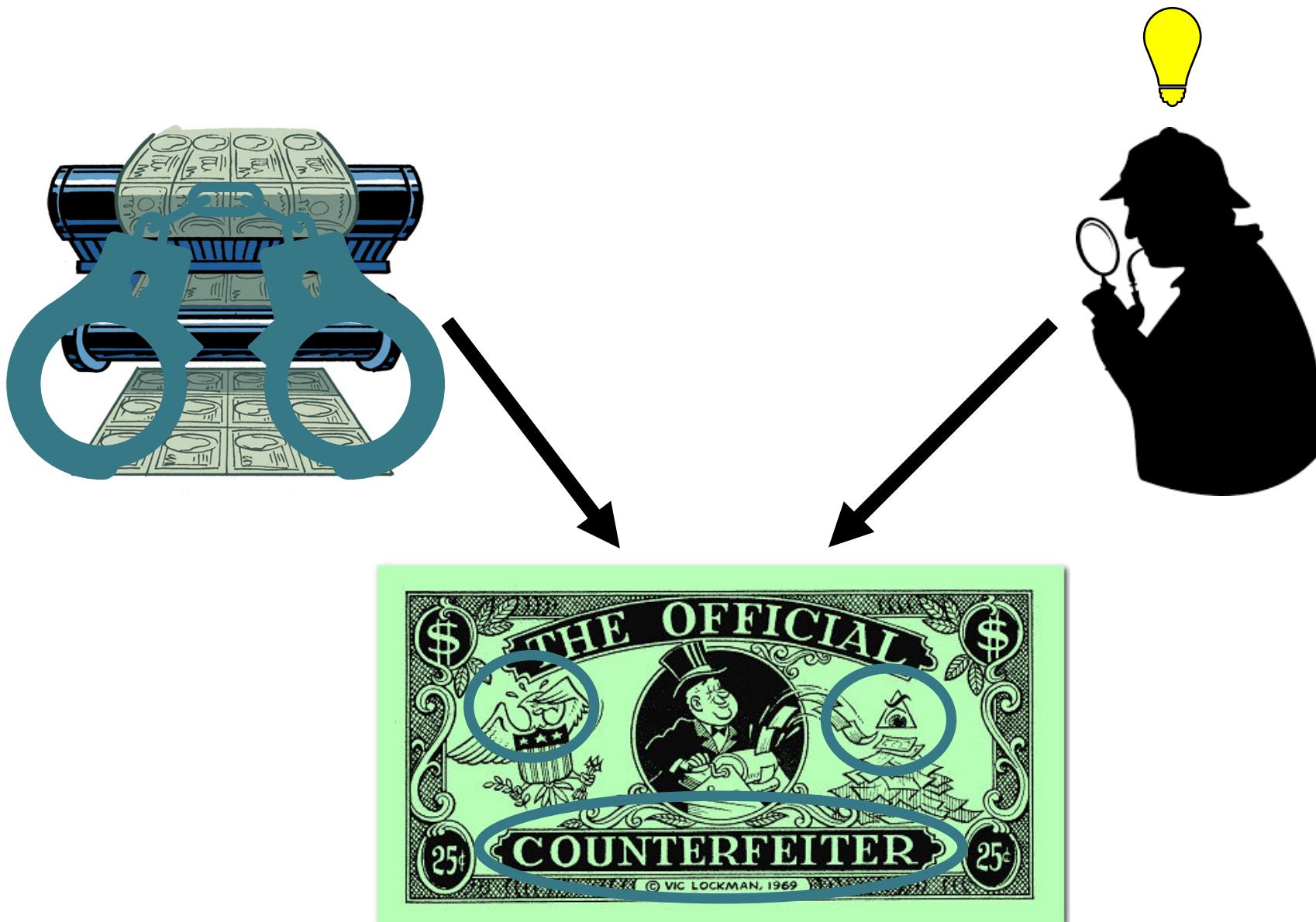
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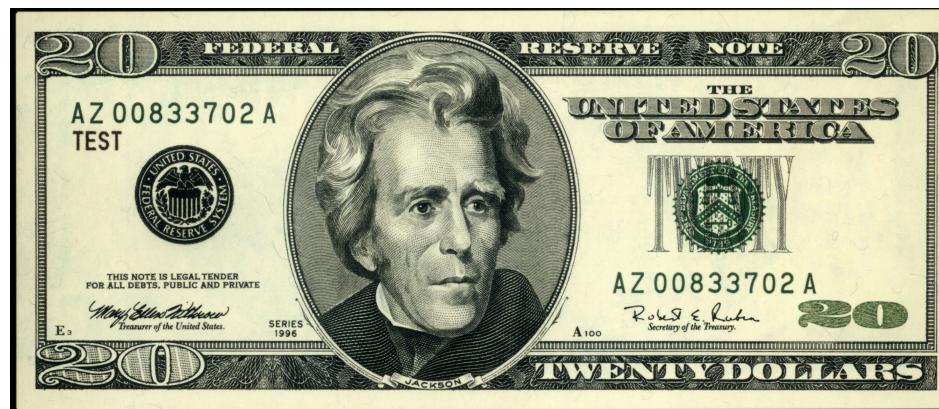
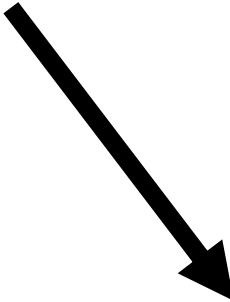
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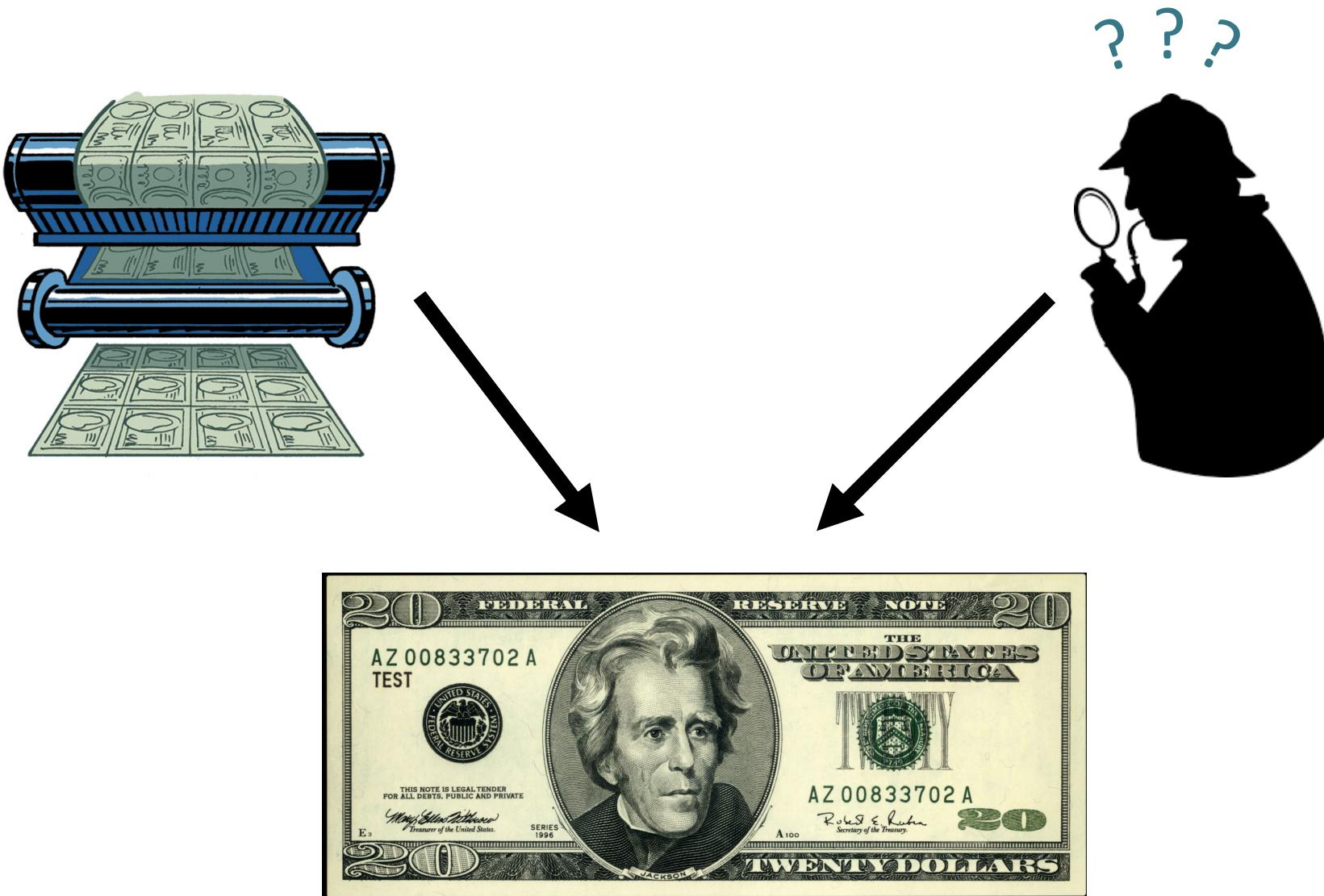
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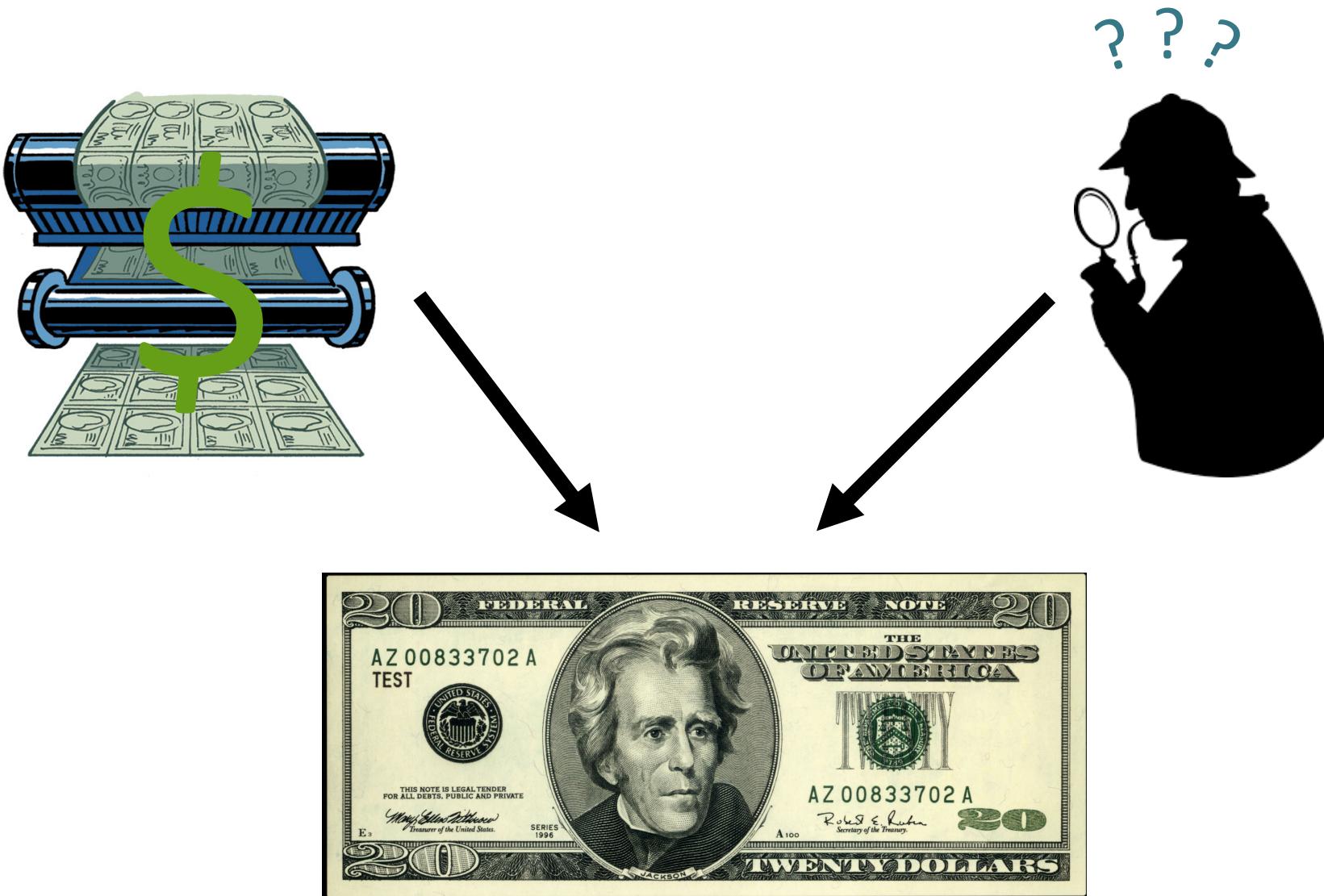
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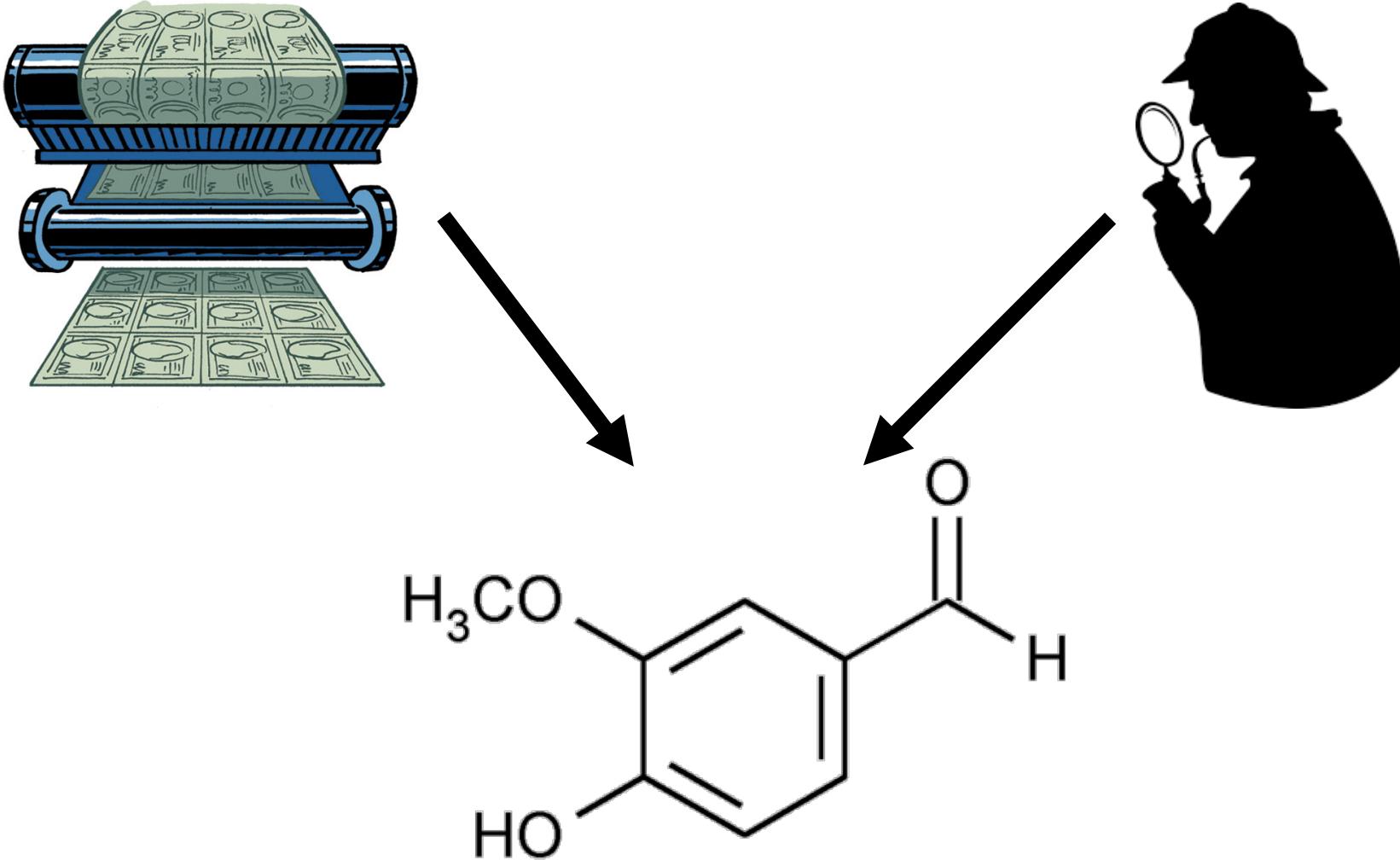
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Generator



Discriminator

- The discriminator learns to distinguish generated objects from real ones
- The generator tries to fool the discriminator into believing that generated objects are real

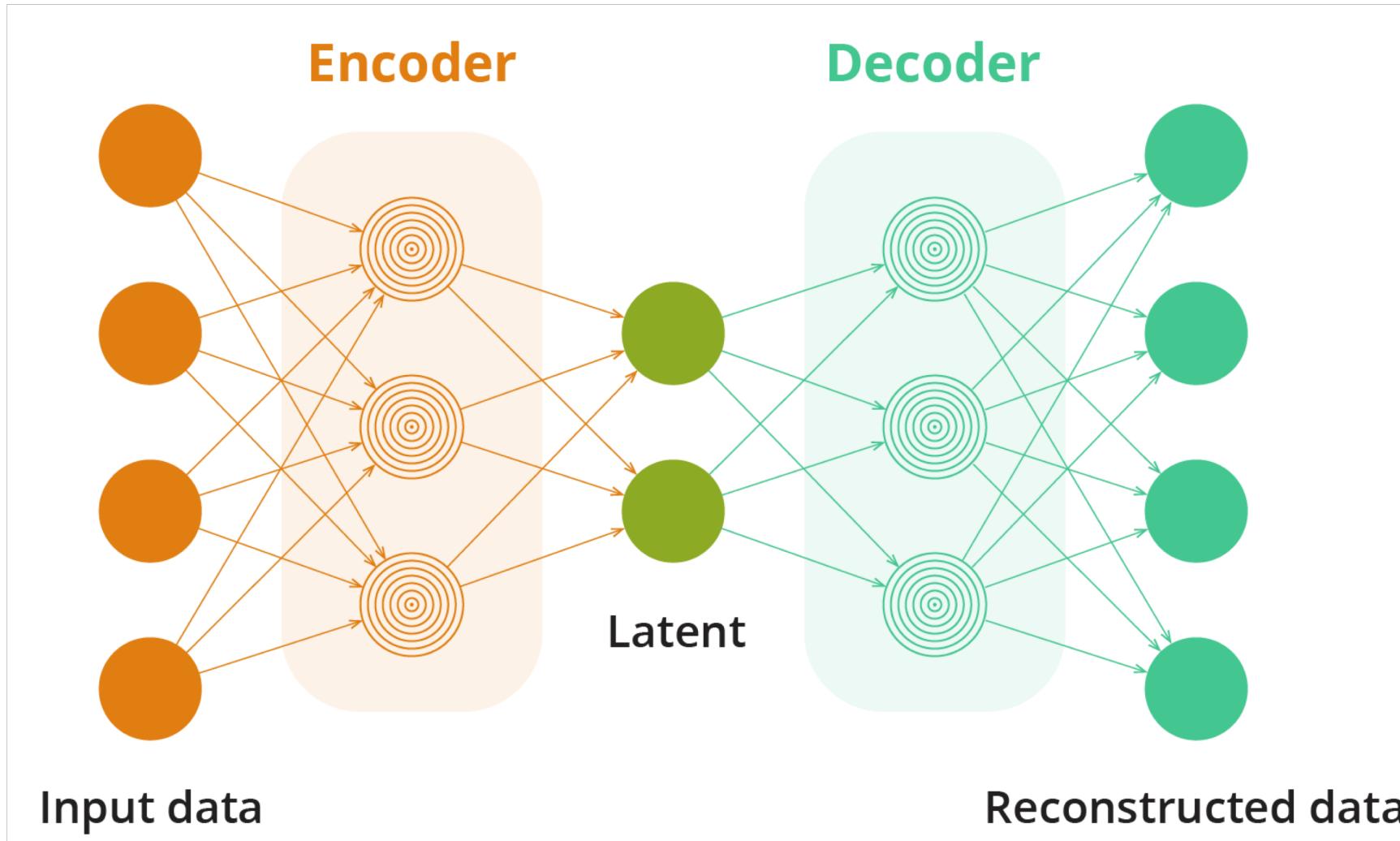
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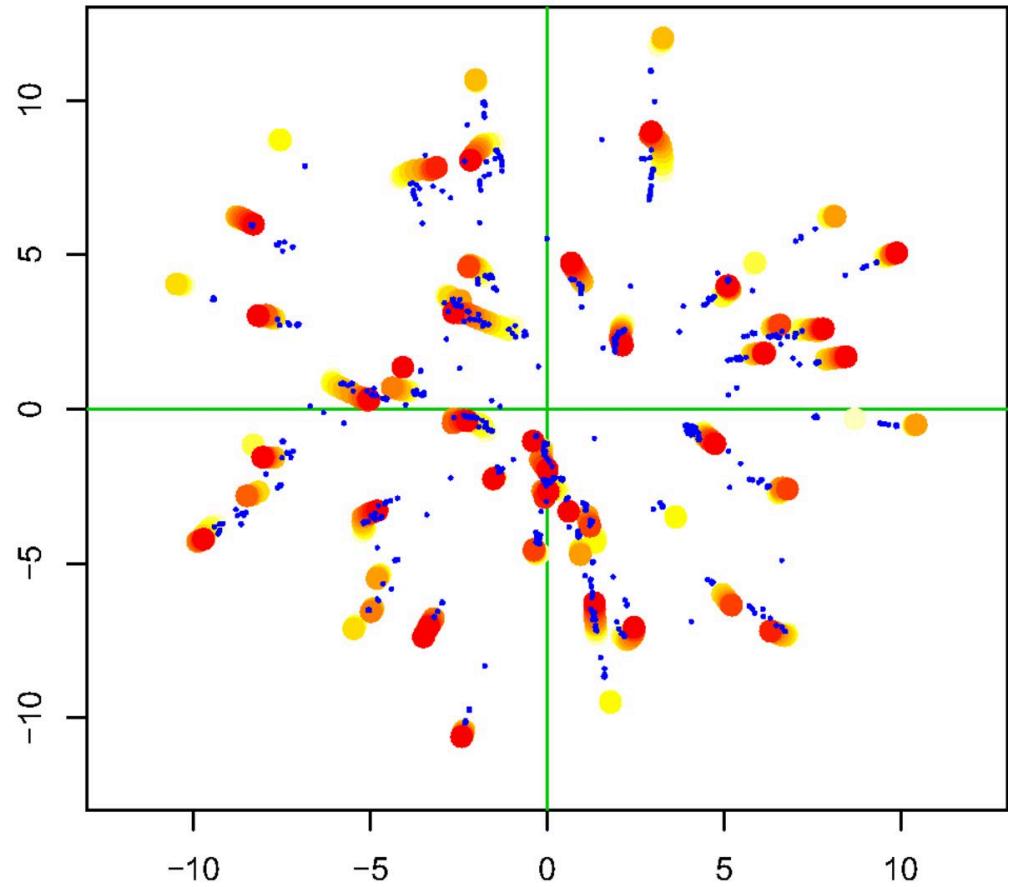
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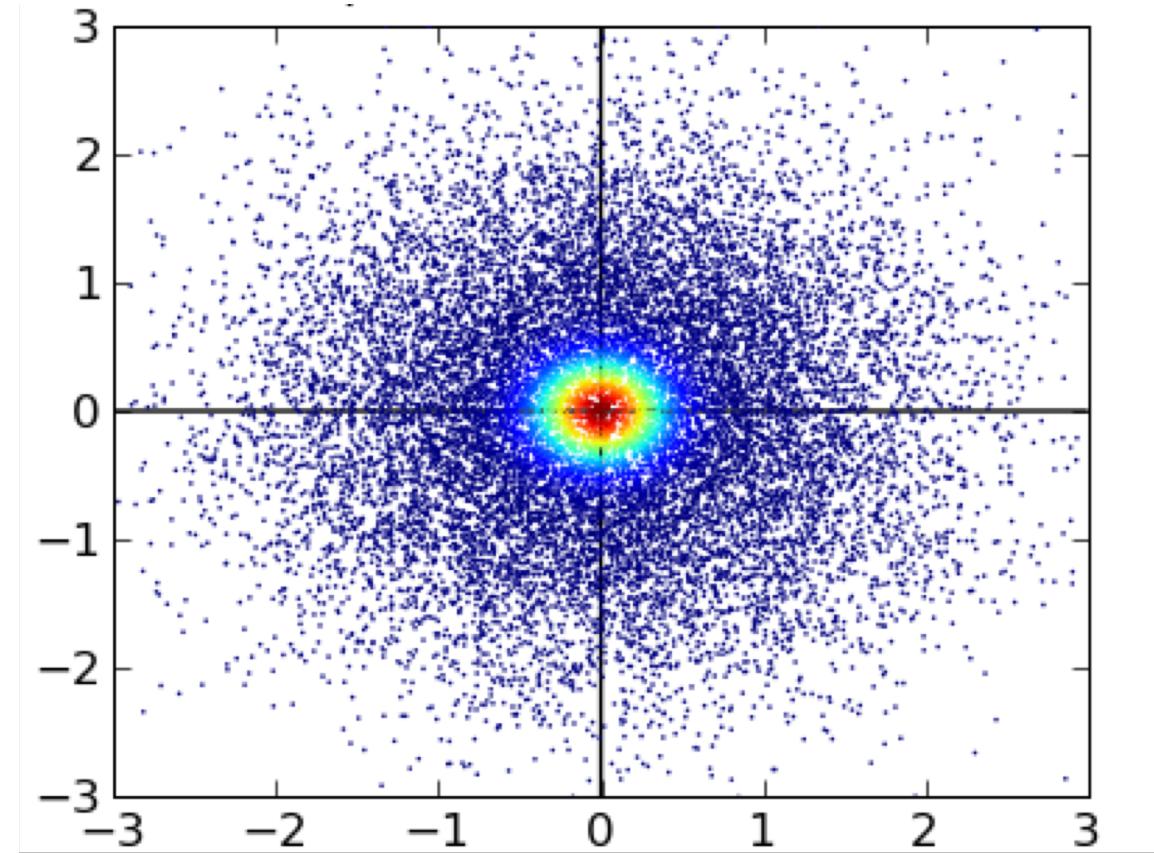
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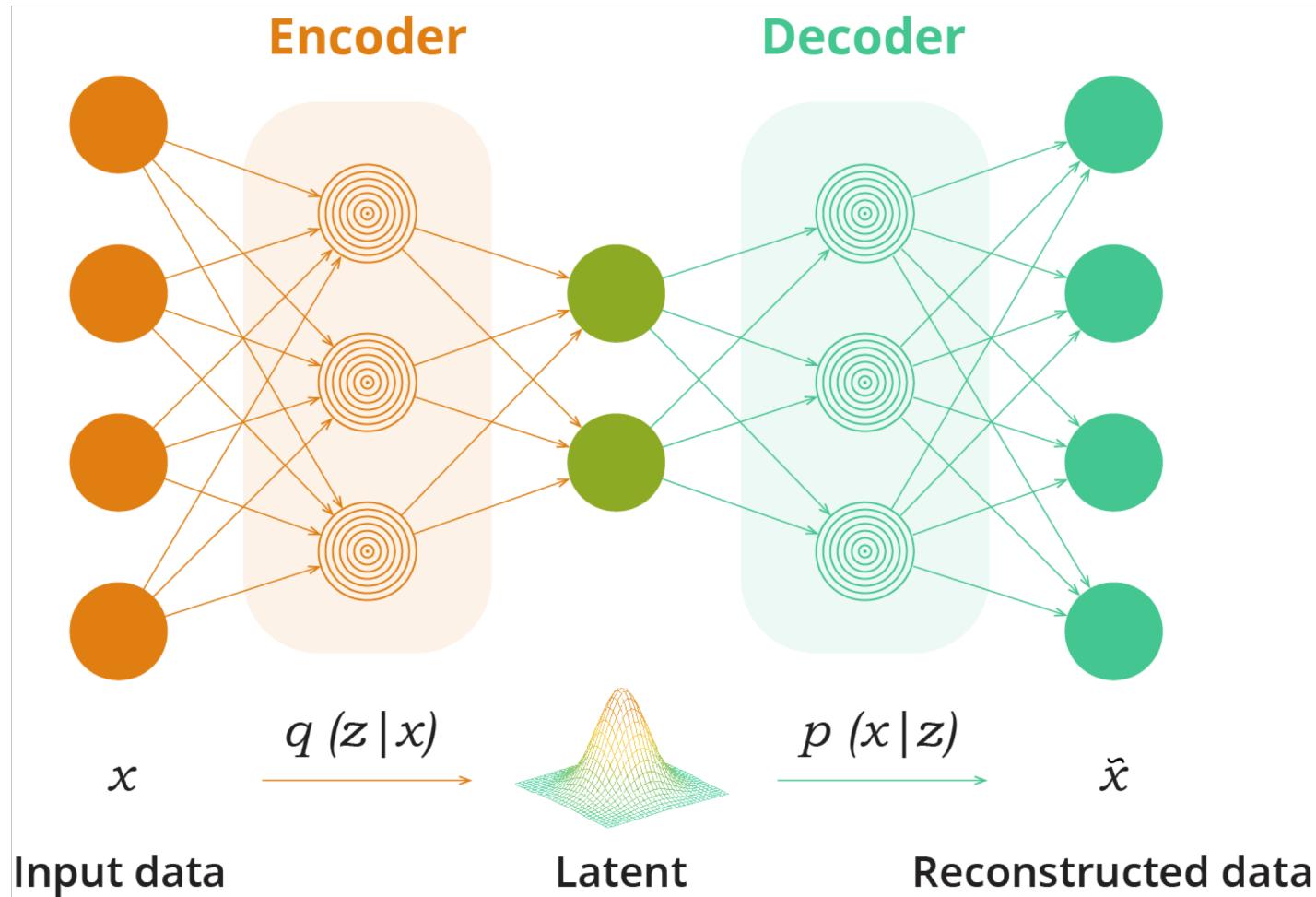


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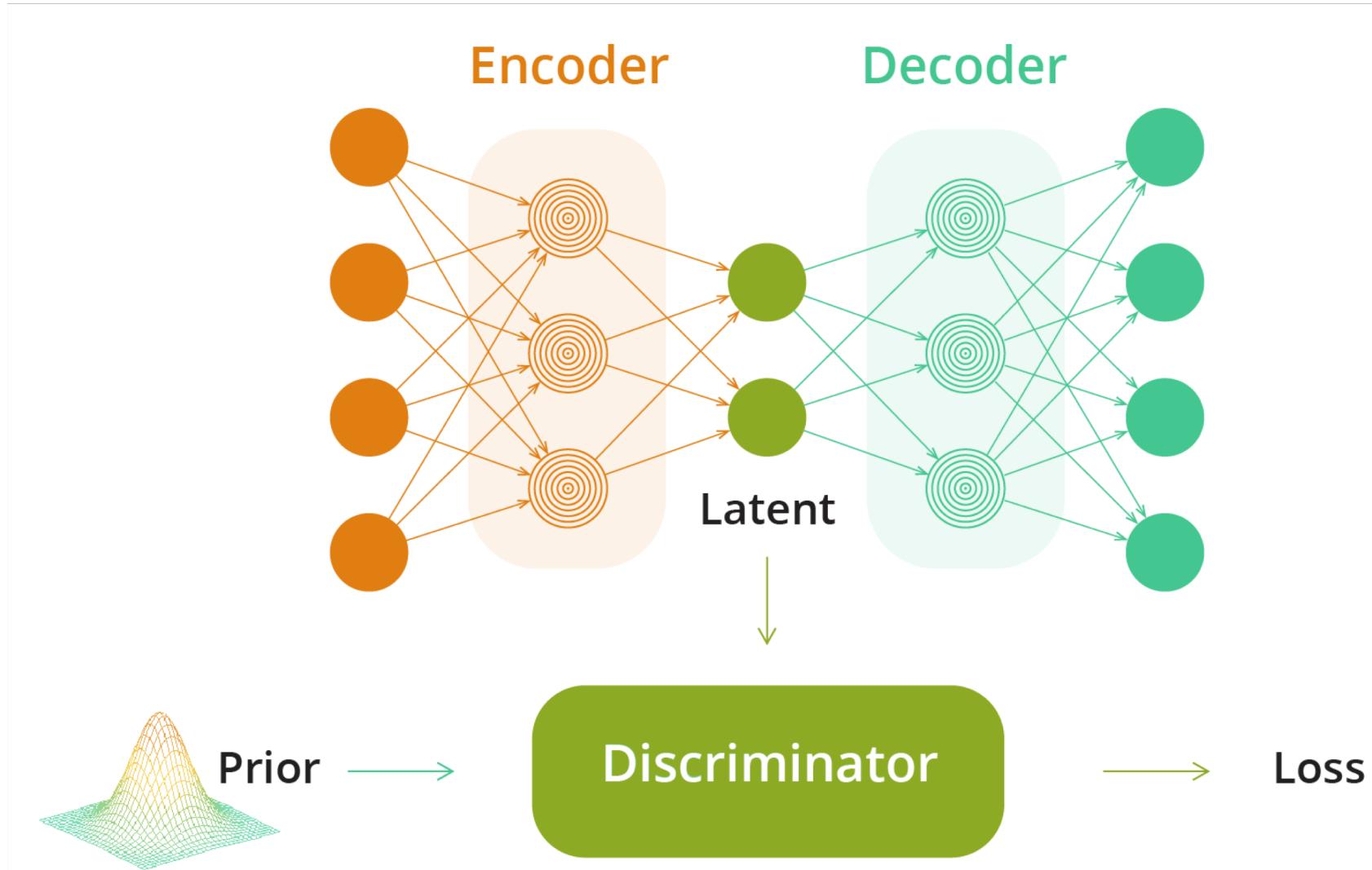


Variational Autoencoder

VARIATIONAL AUTOENCODER



ADVERSARIAL AUTOENCODER



AUTOENCODERS

- No mode collapse (otherwise decoder won't work)
- Can work with discrete data out of the box

DRUG DISCOVERY

REPRESENTATIONS

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Fingerprints

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Kadurin et al, The cornucopia of meaningful leads: Applying deep adversarial autoencoders for new molecule development in oncology

Can be used to search known molecules by Tanimoto similarity:

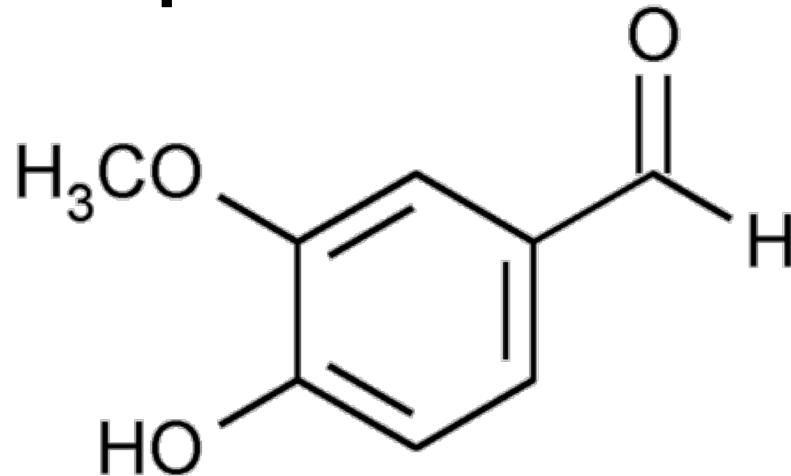
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Good when there is a lack of data

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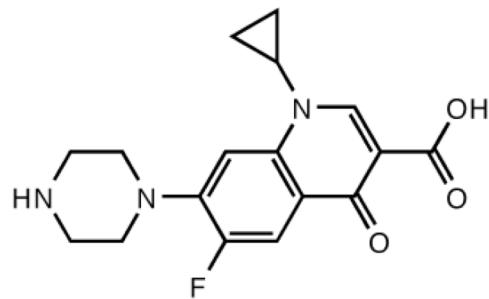
- Train a message passing neural network
- OR
- Train a CNN on the adjacency matrix

Graphs

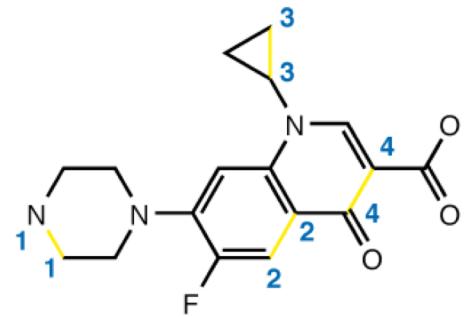


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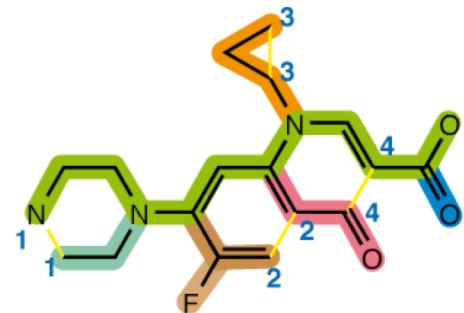
A



B



C



D

N1CCN(CC1)C(C(F)=C2)=CC(=C2C4=O)N(C3CC3)C=C4C(=O)O

SMILES Strings

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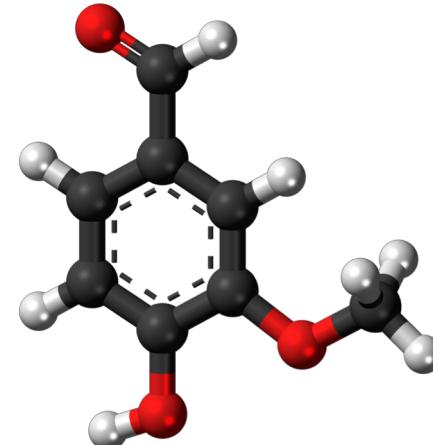
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- Build a spanning tree
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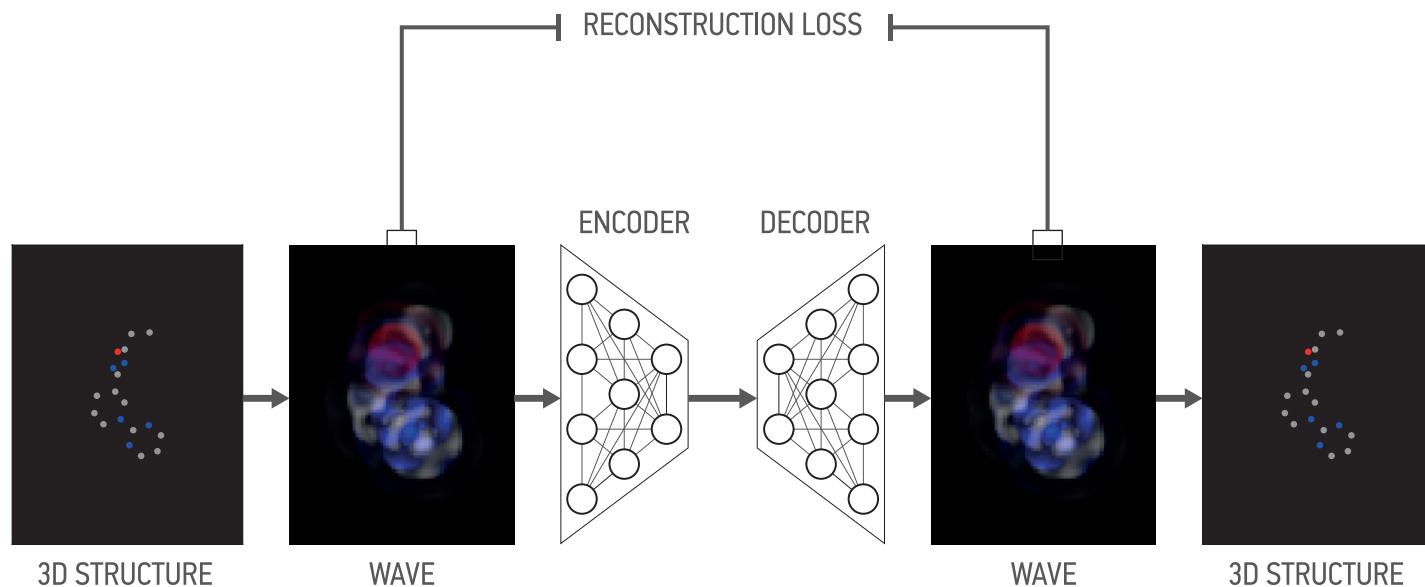
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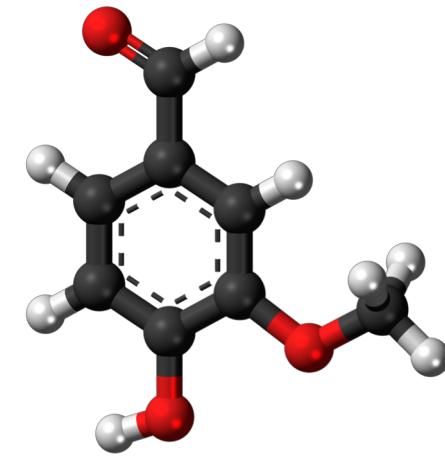
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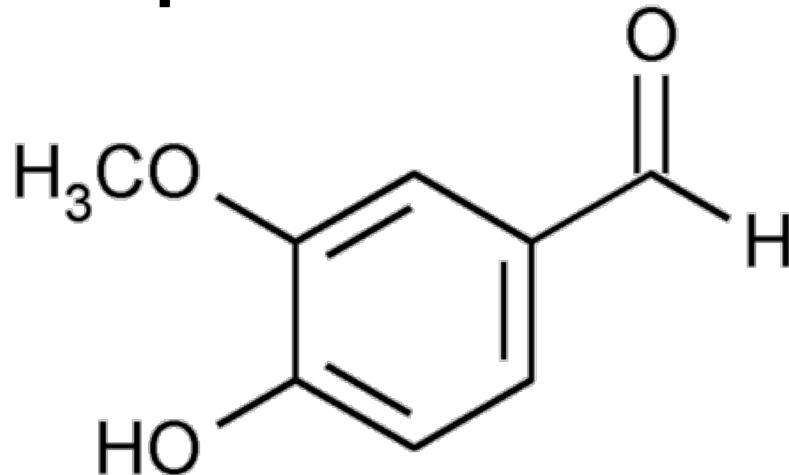
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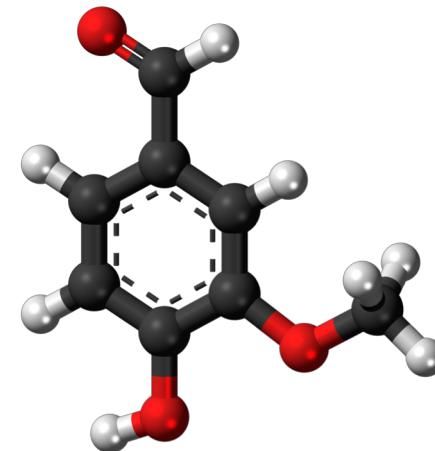
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Grammar and Graphs

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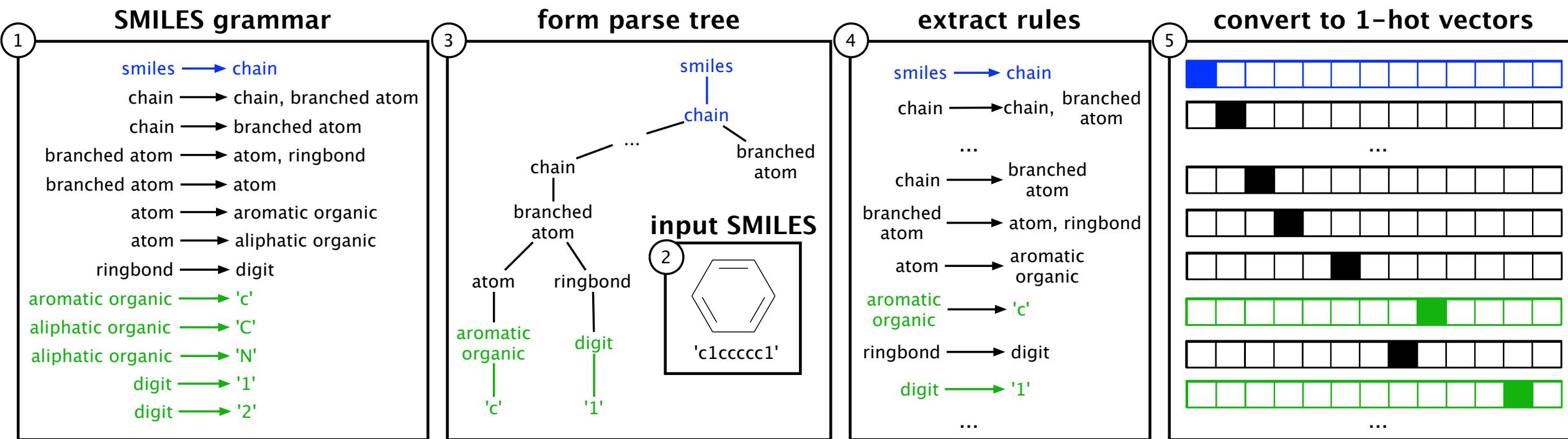
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Context-free grammar (V, Σ, R, S)

- V — non-terminal symbols
- Σ — terminal symbols
- R — production rules $V \rightarrow (V \cup \Sigma)^*$
- S — non-terminal start symbol

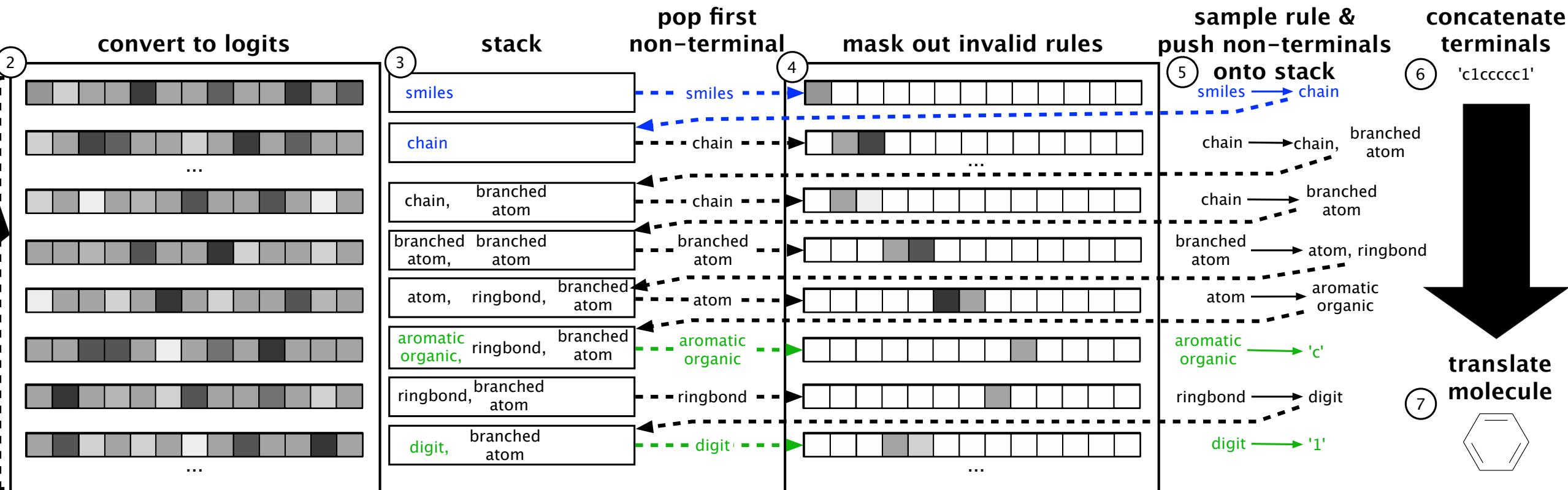
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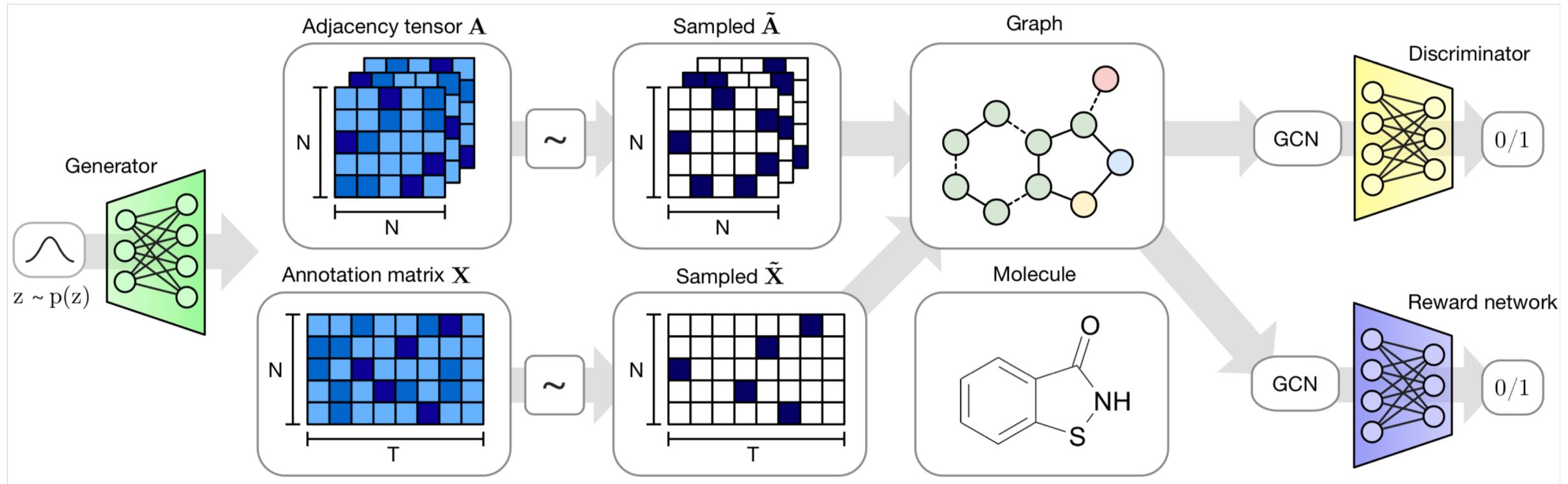
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SMILES VS GRAPHS

- 1D (SMILES) cycles are spread across the whole string
- 2D (Graphs) decisions are made more locally

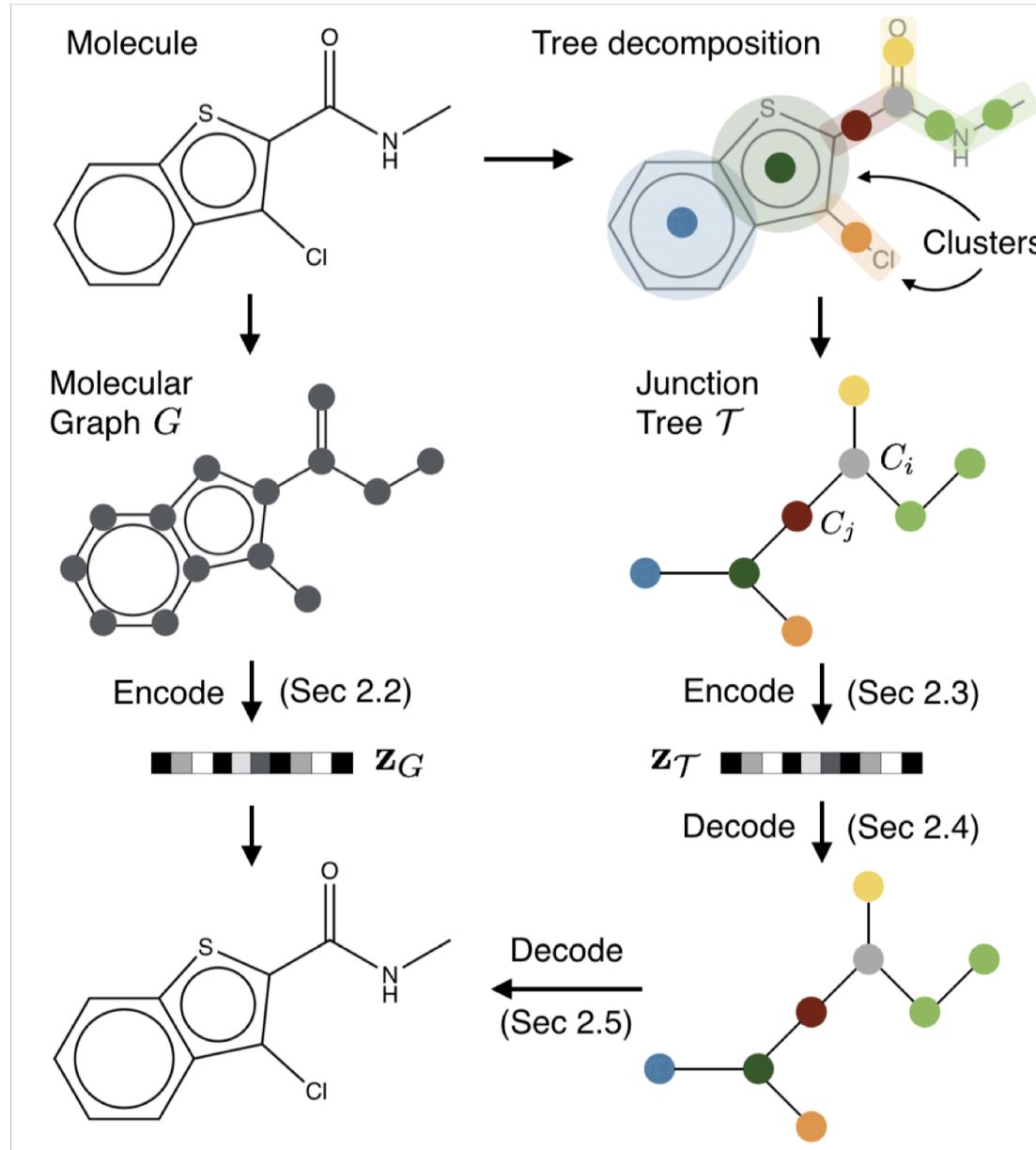
GRAPHS: MOLGAN



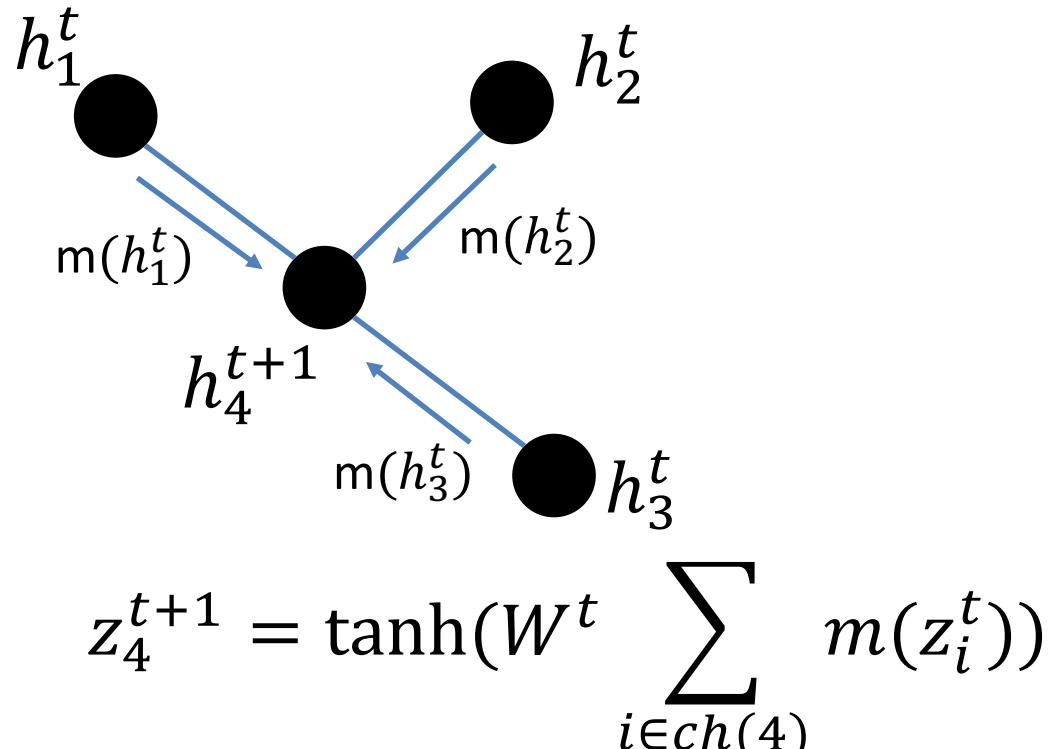
Graph Convolutional Networks (GCN)

$$\bullet h^{l+1} = \tanh \left[f_s^l(h_i^l, x_i) + \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{y=1}^Y \frac{A_{i,j,y}}{|N_i|} f_y^l(h_j^l, x_i) \right]$$

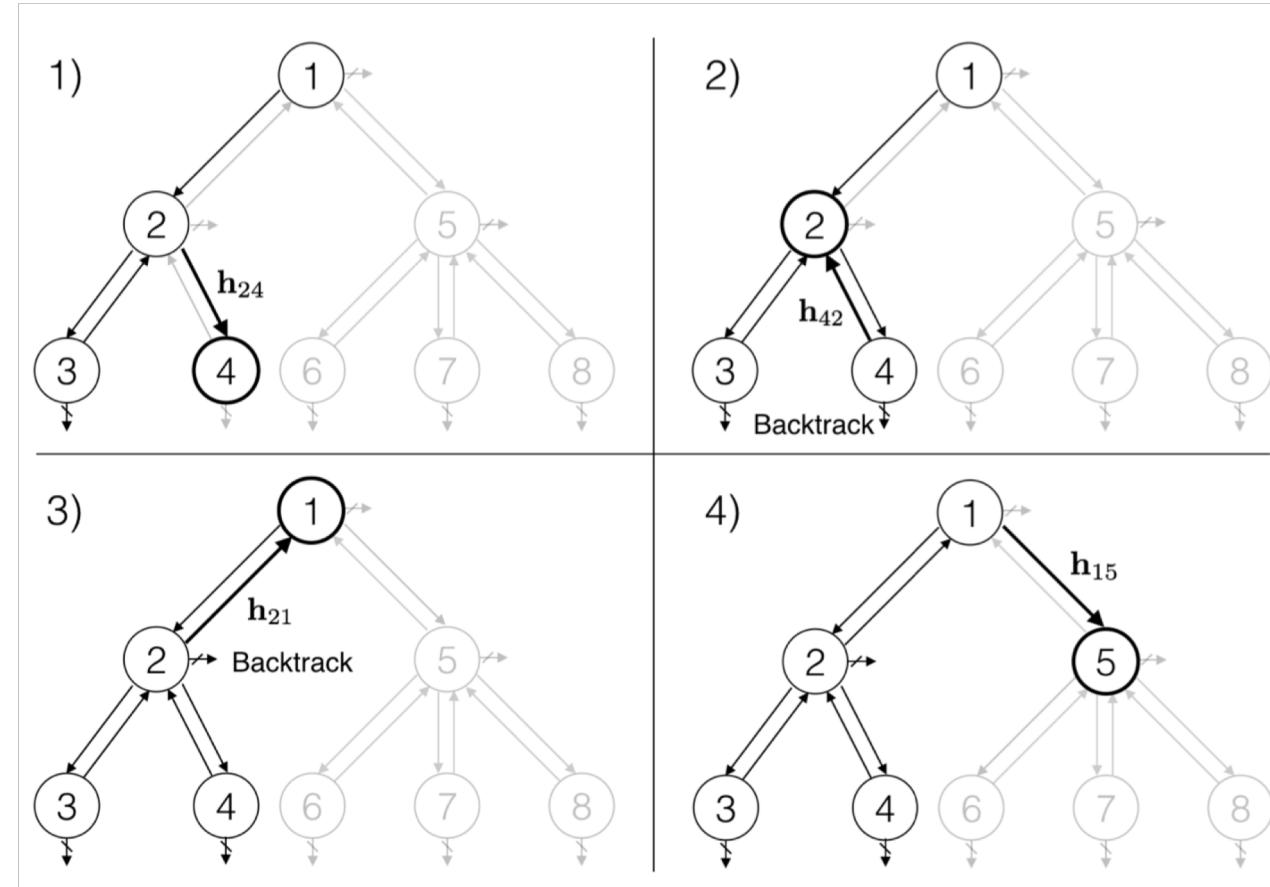
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Message-Passing Neural Networks



Decoding

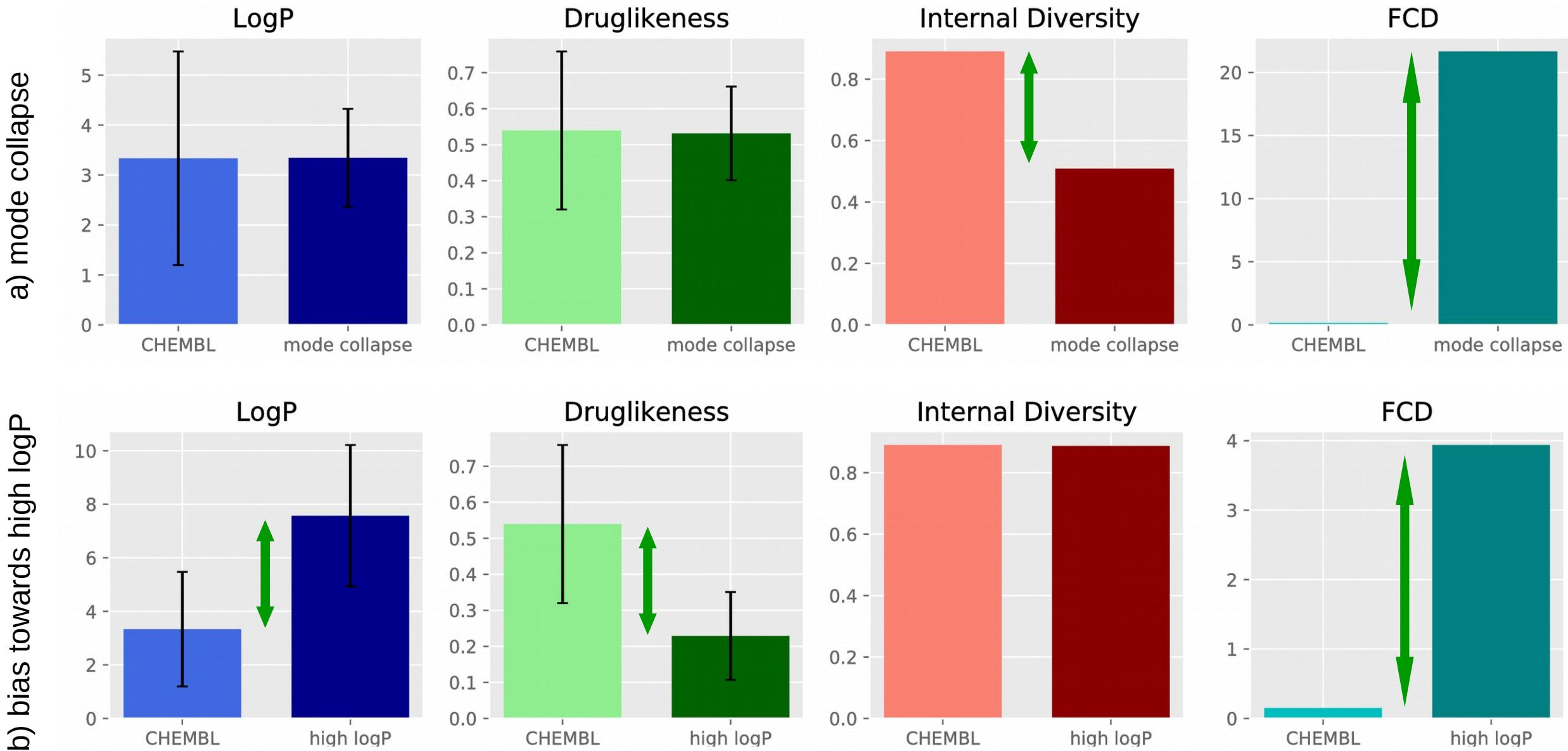
HOW TO EVALUATE A MODEL

Metric	Description
%Unique@k	Measures diversity in terms of uniqueness
%Valid	Measures model quality in terms of validity (e.g. correct valences)
Internal Diversity	Average pairwise similarity between generated molecules
External Diversity	Average similarity to the nearest known molecule
Fréchet ChemNet Distance	Similarity of distributions at the penultimate layer of ChemNet

Similarity between molecules:

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FRÉCHET CHEMNET DISTANCE



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Looking for a needle in a haystack



Generate perfect needles

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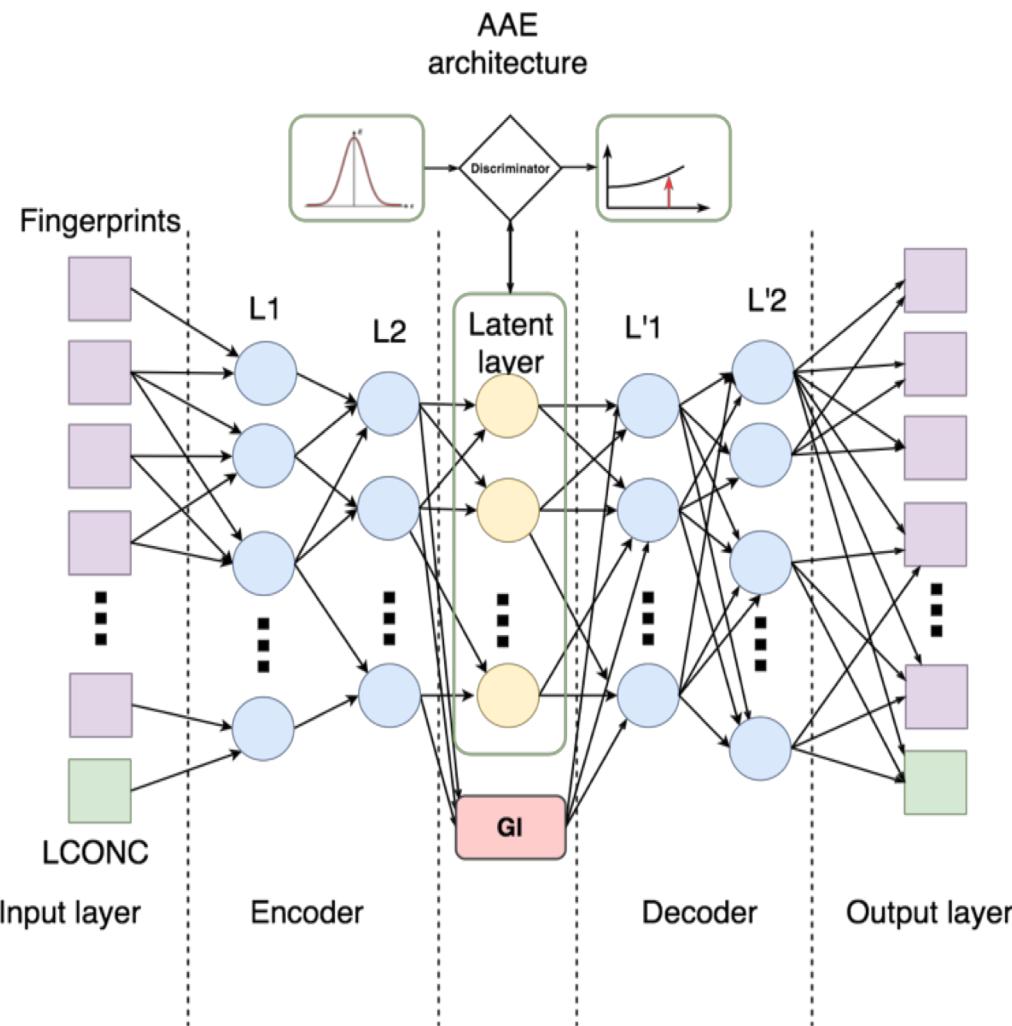
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OPTIMIZATION

$$\text{quality}(x) \rightarrow \max_x$$

CONDITIONAL GENERATION



- Specified $\text{GI} \sim N(5, 1)$
- Reconstructed molecules and selected those with $\text{LCONC} < -5$
- Top 10 similar compounds for each of 32 molecules were selected from PubChem
- Many from resulting 69 compounds were studied as anticancer compounds

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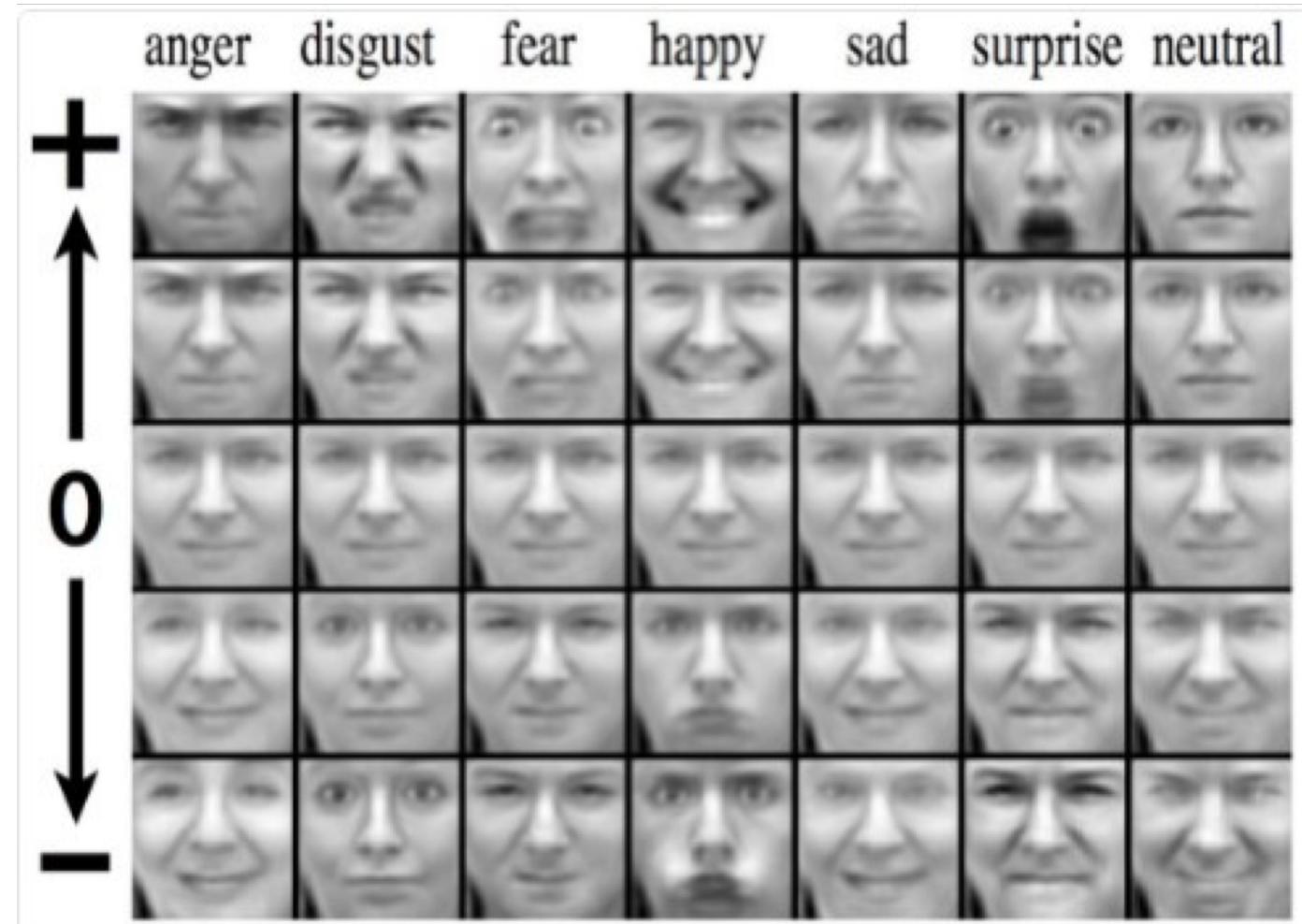
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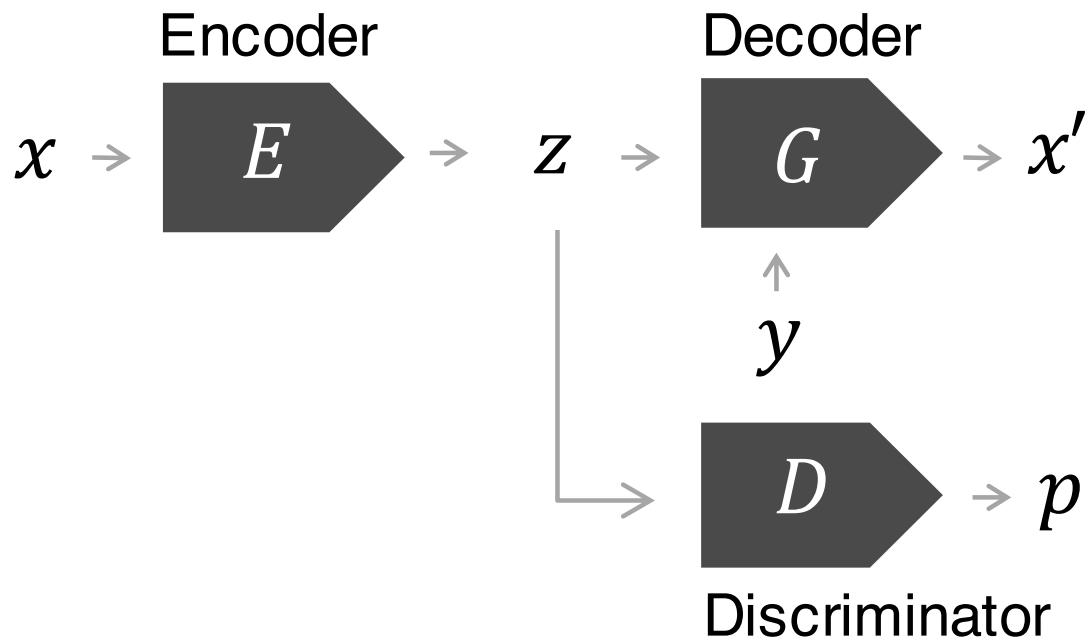
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CAN NEURAL NETWORKS EXTRAPOLATE?

- Train a conditional generative model on faces labeled with emotions
- 0 — absence, 1 — present
- Generate molecules with conditions in $[-5, 5]$ range

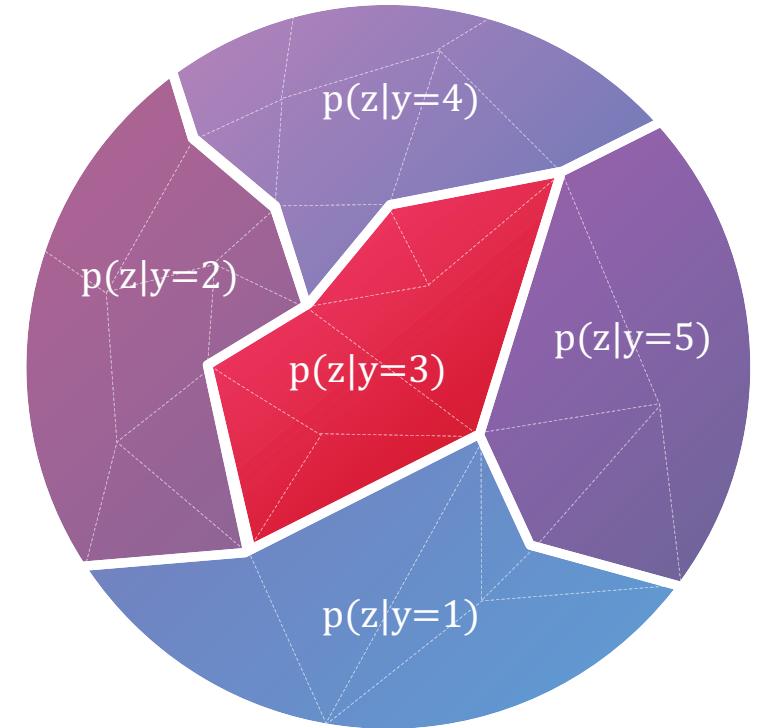
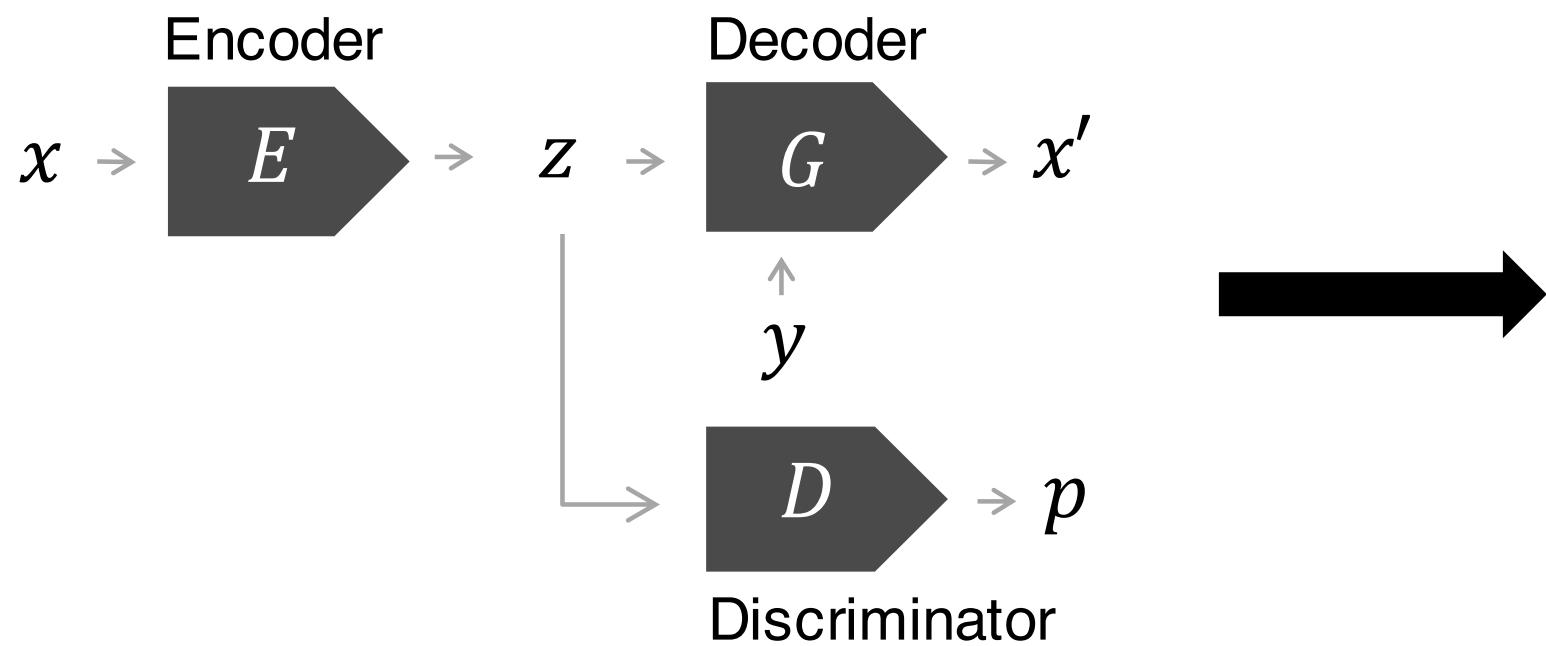


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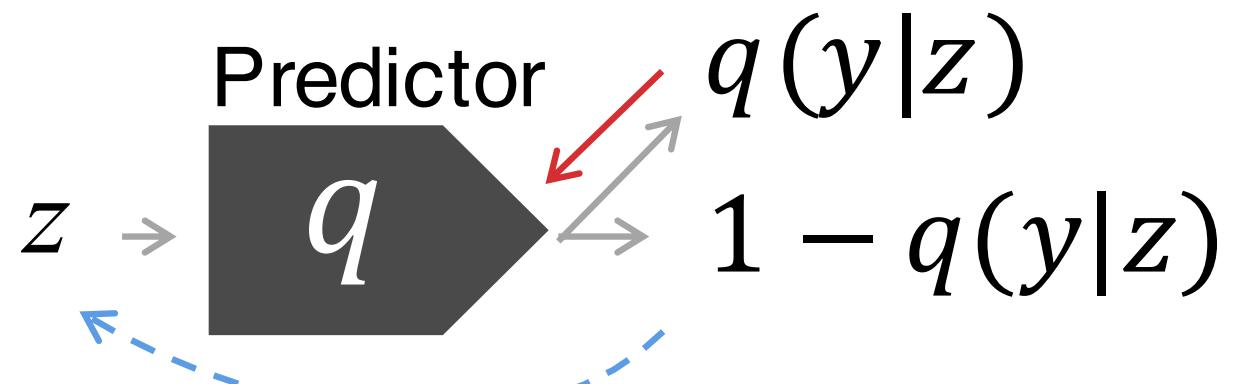


Supervised (Conditional) Adversarial Autoencoder

PREDICTIVE DISENTANGLEMENT

- Independence: minimize mutual information

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}(z, y) &= \mathcal{H}(y) + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{p(y,z)} \log p(y|z)}_{=-\mathcal{H}(y|z)} + \underbrace{\max_q -\mathbb{E}_{p(z)} \mathcal{KL}(p(y|z) \| q(y|z))}_{=0, \text{ achieved at } q(y|z)=p(y|z)} \\ &= \mathcal{H}(y) + \max_q \mathbb{E}_{p(y,z)} \log q(y|z)\end{aligned}$$



PREDICTIVE DISENTANGLEMENT

- Problem: sometimes we can't estimate $q(y|z)$

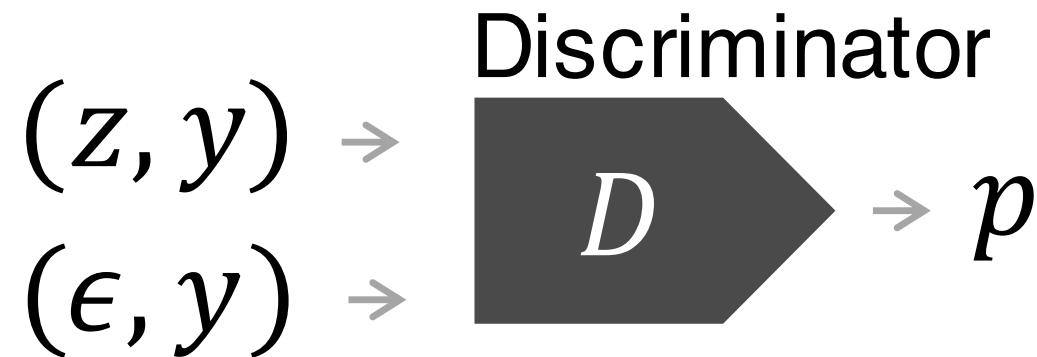
$$Q = \left\{ q(y \mid z) \mid q(y \mid z) = \prod_{i=1}^d q(y_i \mid z) \right\}$$

$$I(z, y) = \mathcal{H}(y) + \max_q \mathbb{E}_{p(y,z)} \log q(y \mid z) \geq \mathcal{H}(y) + \max_{q \in Q} \mathbb{E}_{p(y,z)} \log q(y \mid z)$$

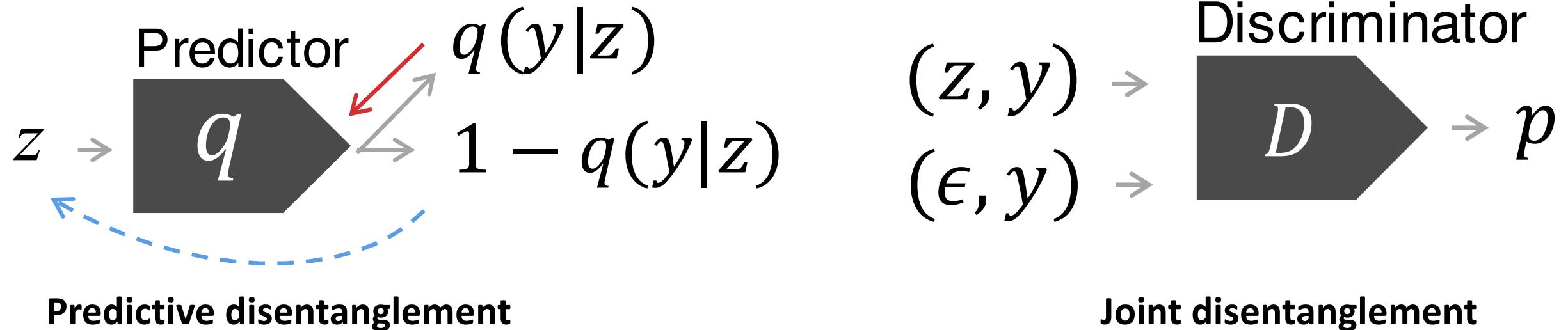
- Mutual information is underestimated
- Model will only match priors: $q(y_i|z) = p(y_i)$

JOINT DISENTANGLEMENT

- “Real examples”: samples from prior $p(z)$ and y
- “Fake examples”: tuples of z and y
- Target distribution is $p(z)p(y)$



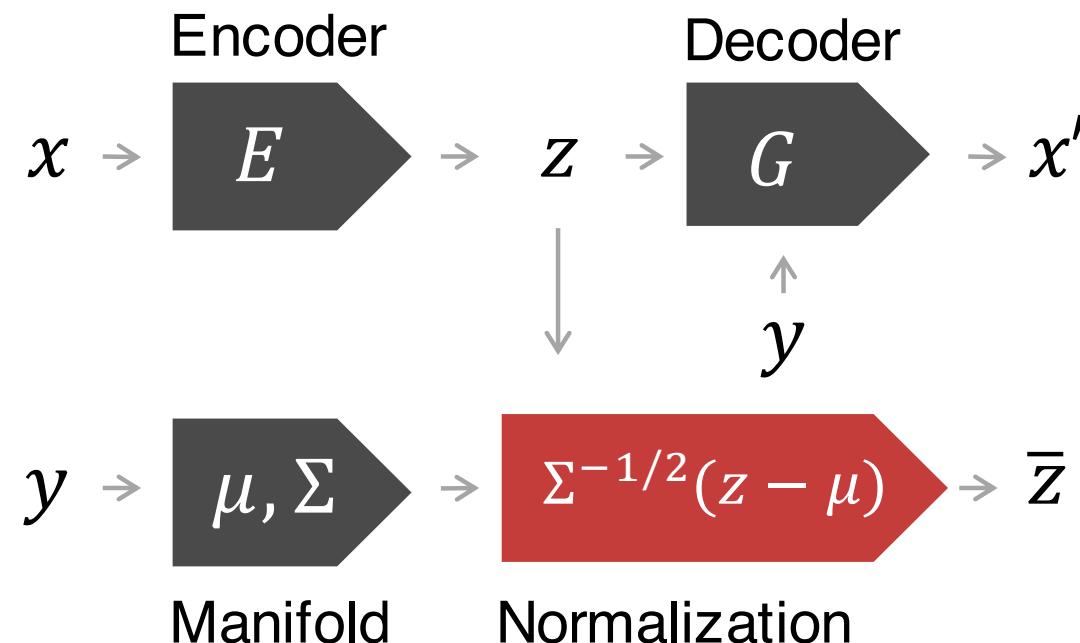
DISENTANGLEMENTS



- Predictive: more stable
- Joint: can eliminate more mutual information
- Combined: use both techniques

ENTANGLED

- Instead of disentanglement, learn $p(z|y) = \mathcal{N}(\mu(y), \Sigma(y))$
- Discriminator: $N\mathcal{F}\mu\mathcal{F}y\mathcal{G}, \Sigma\mathcal{F}y\mathcal{G}\mathcal{G}$ vs real latent codes + y
- Problem: both distributions are learnable
- Idea: reparameterization! $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ vs reparameterized codes + y



EXPERIMENTS

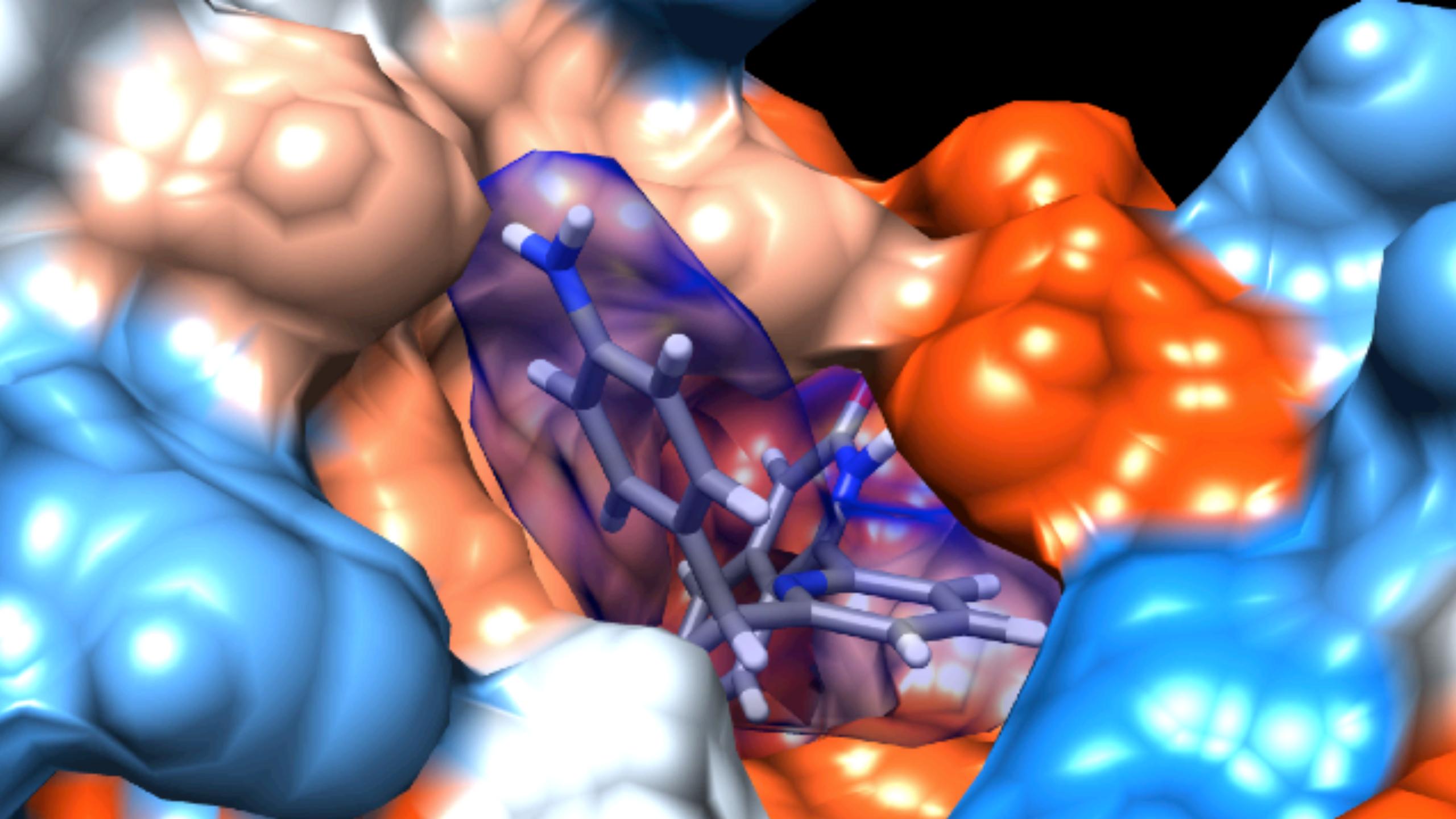
- Condition on MACCS fingerprints (166 bits)

Disentanglement	Tanimoto, %	Hamming	Exact, %	Remaining MI
No	80.0	10.49	4.4	2.75
Predictive	86.2	7.13	11.4	0.64
Joint	88.7	5.78	17.4	1.56
Combined	91.8	4.18	27.8	0.32
Entangled, no Predictive	93.5	3.31	40.9	2.51
Entangled	93.6	3.28	41.3	1.30

EXPERIMENTS

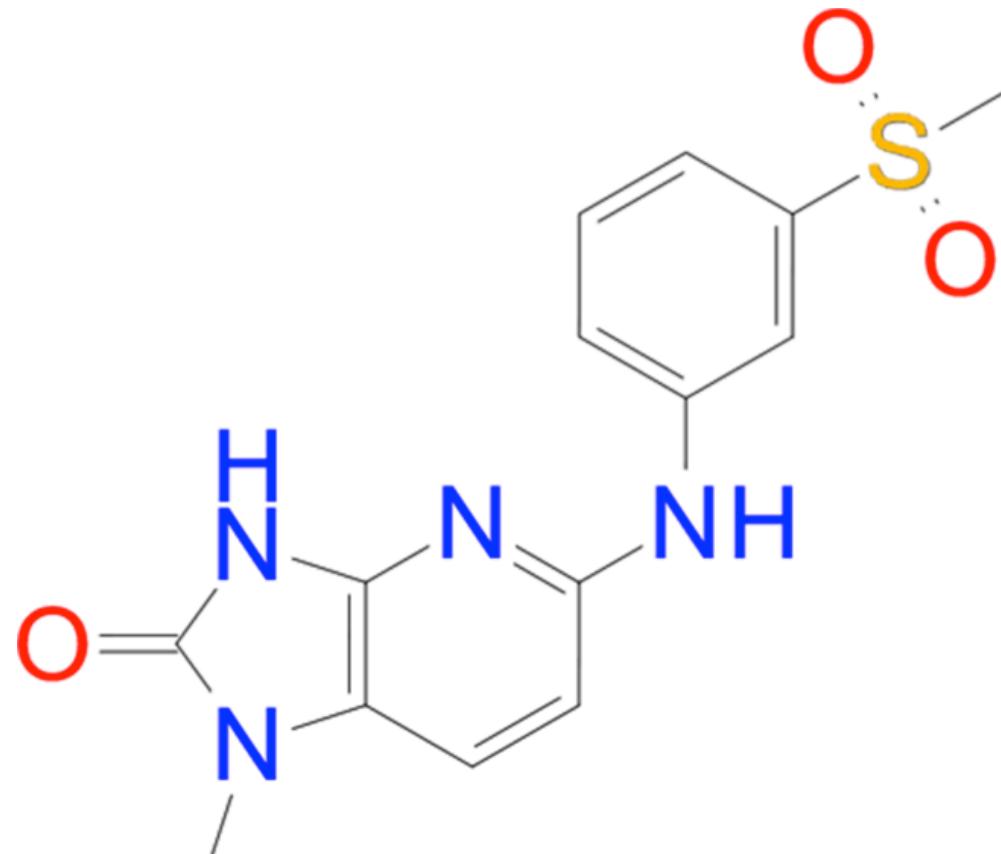
- Condition on logP, SA, Docking

Disentanglement	logP, r	SA, r	E , r
No	0.311 ± 0.01	0.0522 ± 0.009	0.02 ± 0.04
Predictive	0.687 ± 0.006	0.0893 ± 0.008	0.063 ± 0.05
Joint	0.595 ± 0.007	0.0838 ± 0.008	0.109 ± 0.04
Combined	0.677 ± 0.007	0.0896 ± 0.007	0.116 ± 0.04
Entangled	0.804 ± 0.005	0.593 ± 0.007	0.406 ± 0.04



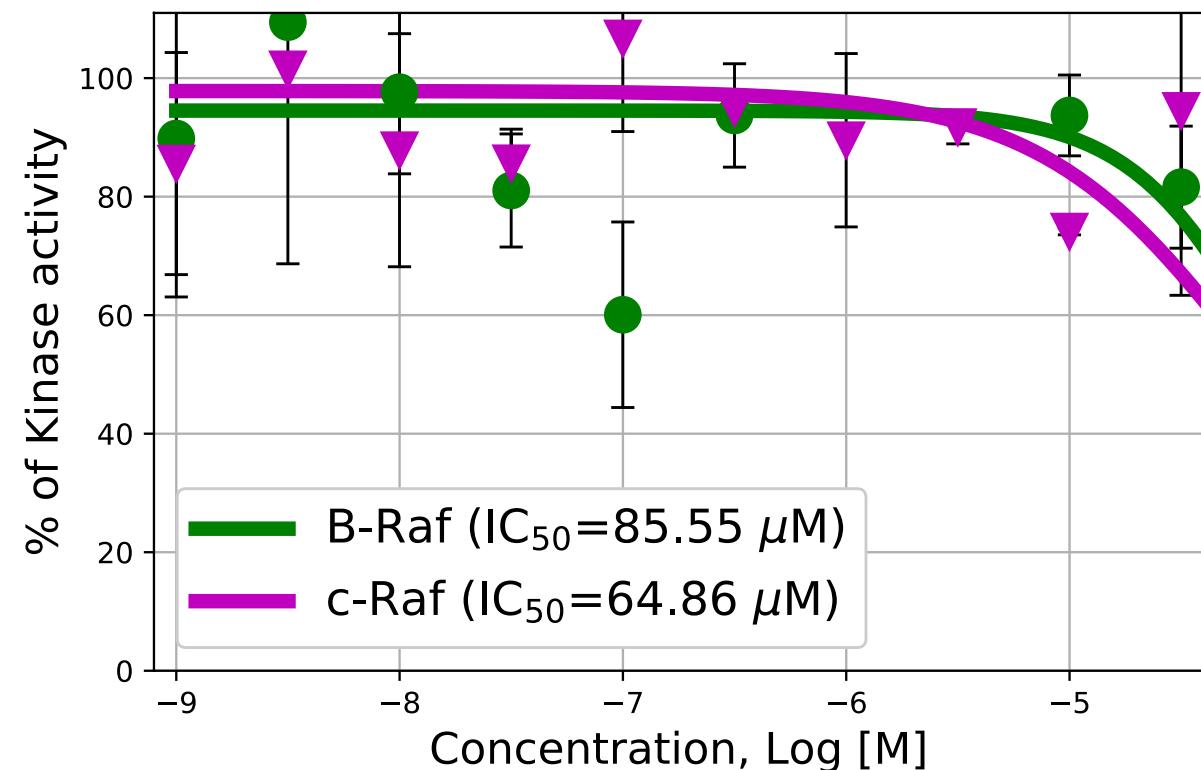
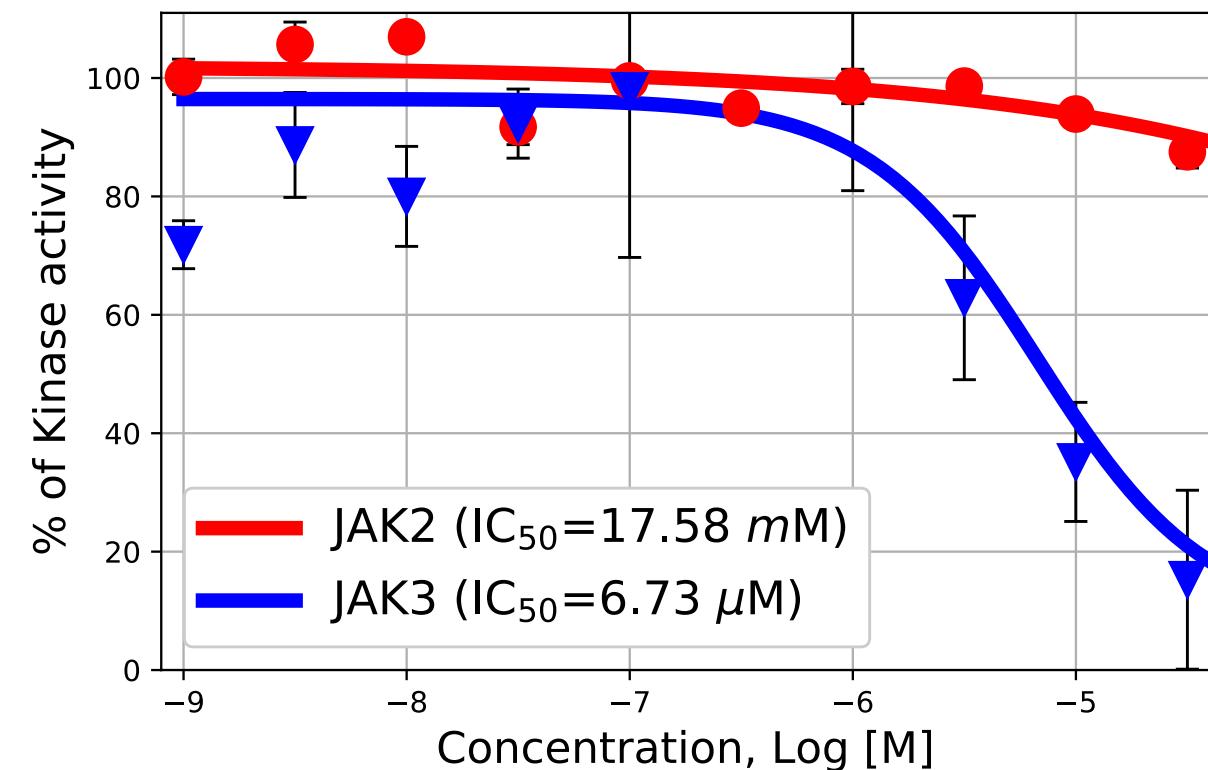
EXPERIMENTS

- JAK3 inhibitor (rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, and vitiligo)
- Specified high activity against JAK3 and low against JAK2



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HOW TO DISCOVER A MOLECULE?

- How to generate molecules with given properties (e.g. given activity or synthetic accessibility)

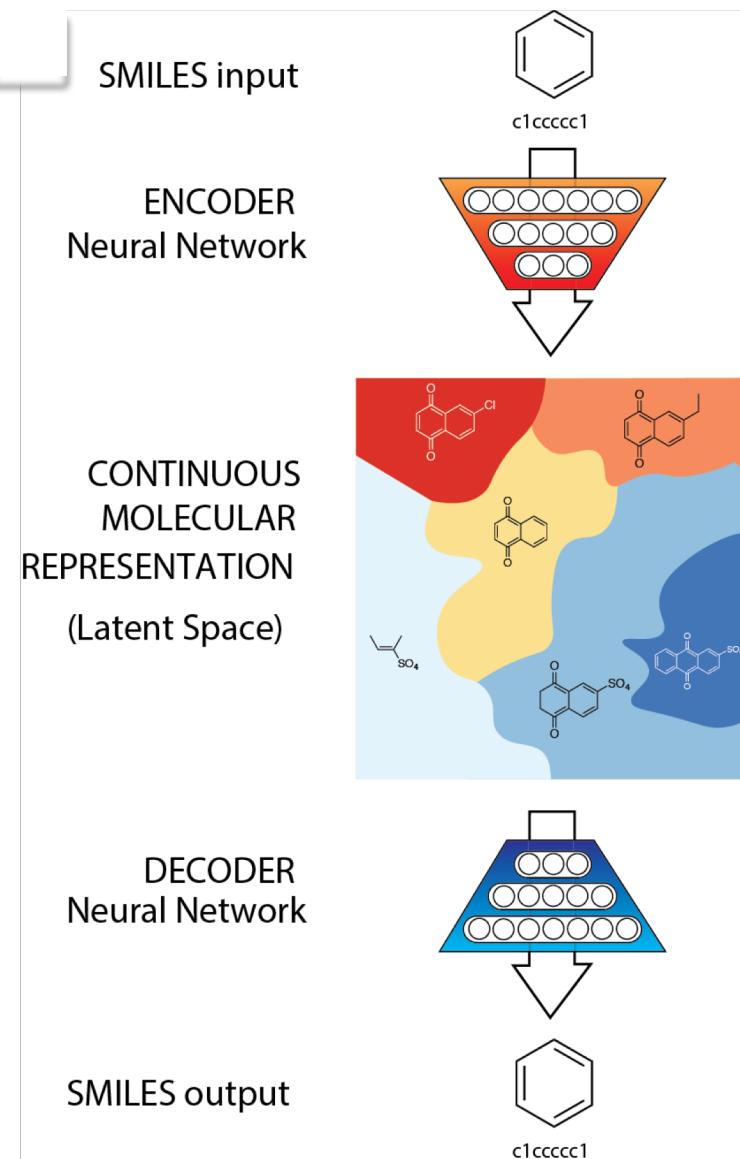
CONDITIONAL GENERATION

$$x \sim p(x \mid \text{properties})$$

OPTIMIZATION

$$\text{quality}(x) \rightarrow \max_x$$

OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE

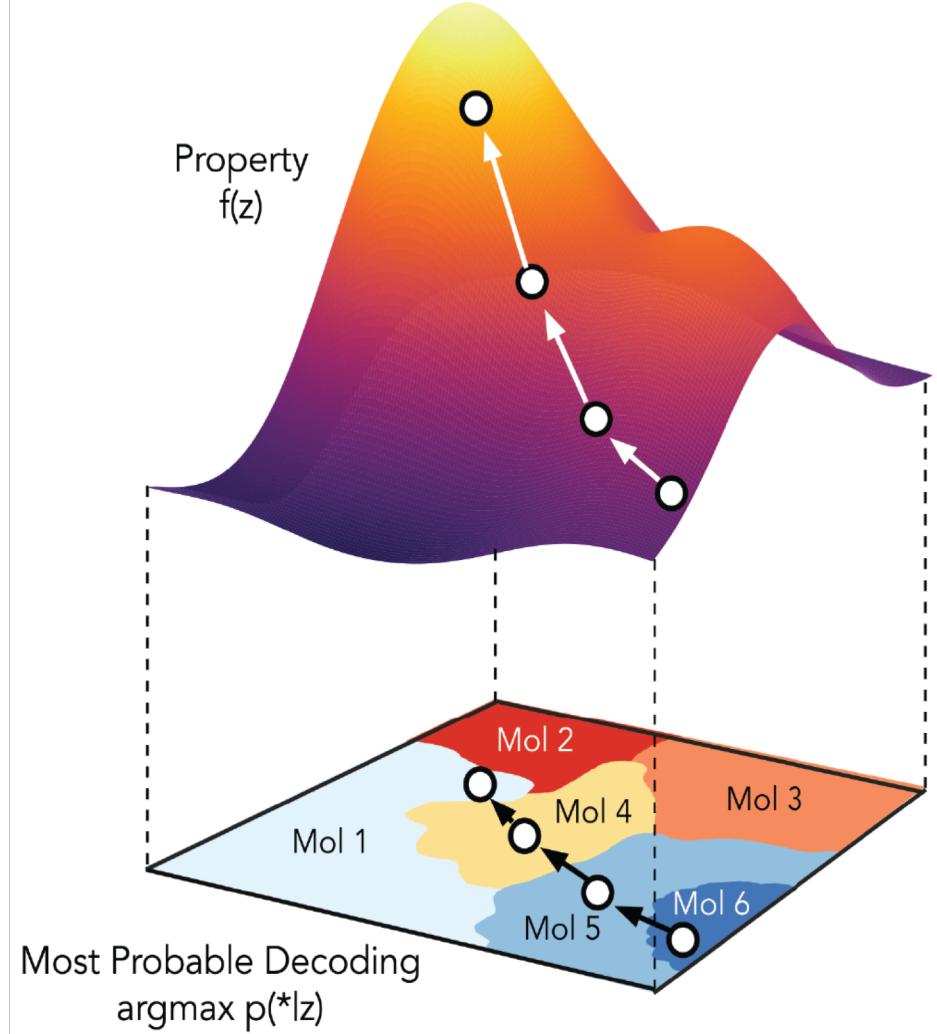


- Train a Variational Autoencoder (VAE)
- Latent space becomes “dense”
- We can travel around the latent space and reconstruct valid molecules from all points

OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE

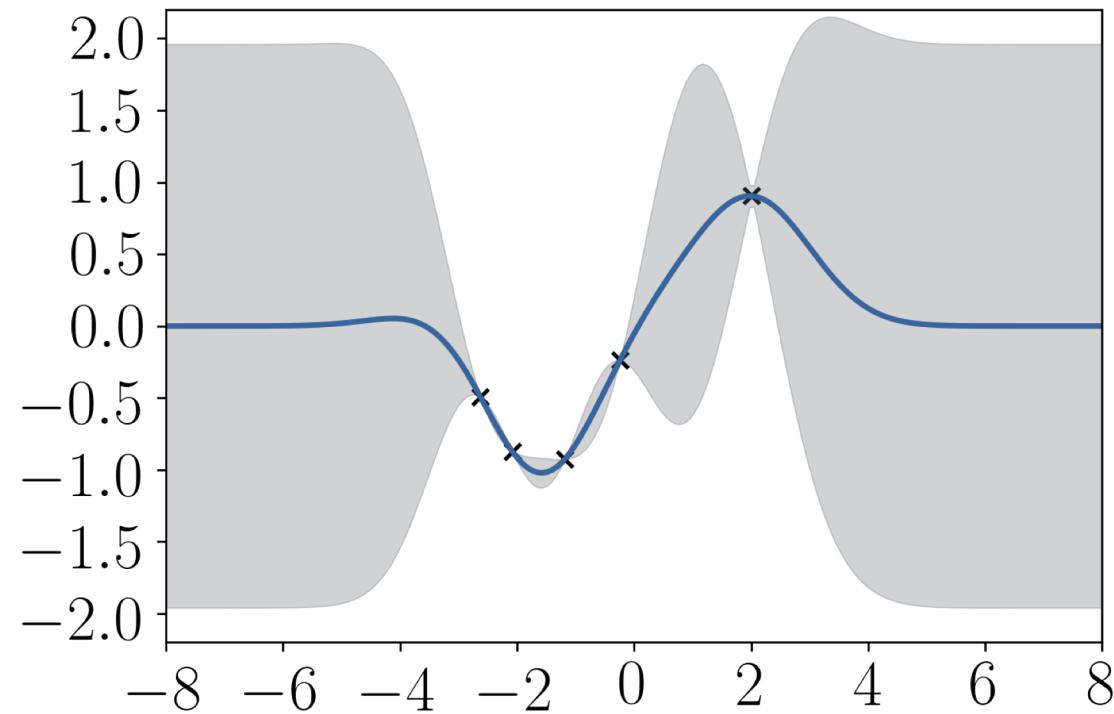
- Perform Bayesian Optimization (BO) on the latent space
- Synthesize sampled molecules and provide experimental results back to the model

Objective: $5 \times \text{QED} - \text{SAS}$



BAYESIAN OPTIMIZATION

- Used when evaluating a function is very expensive: e.g. hyperparameter search
- Train a predictive model based on known experimental values (usually a Gaussian Process)
- Estimate expected value in new points along with the confidence
- Test the point with the highest expected profit



REINFORCEMENT LEARNING



Agent

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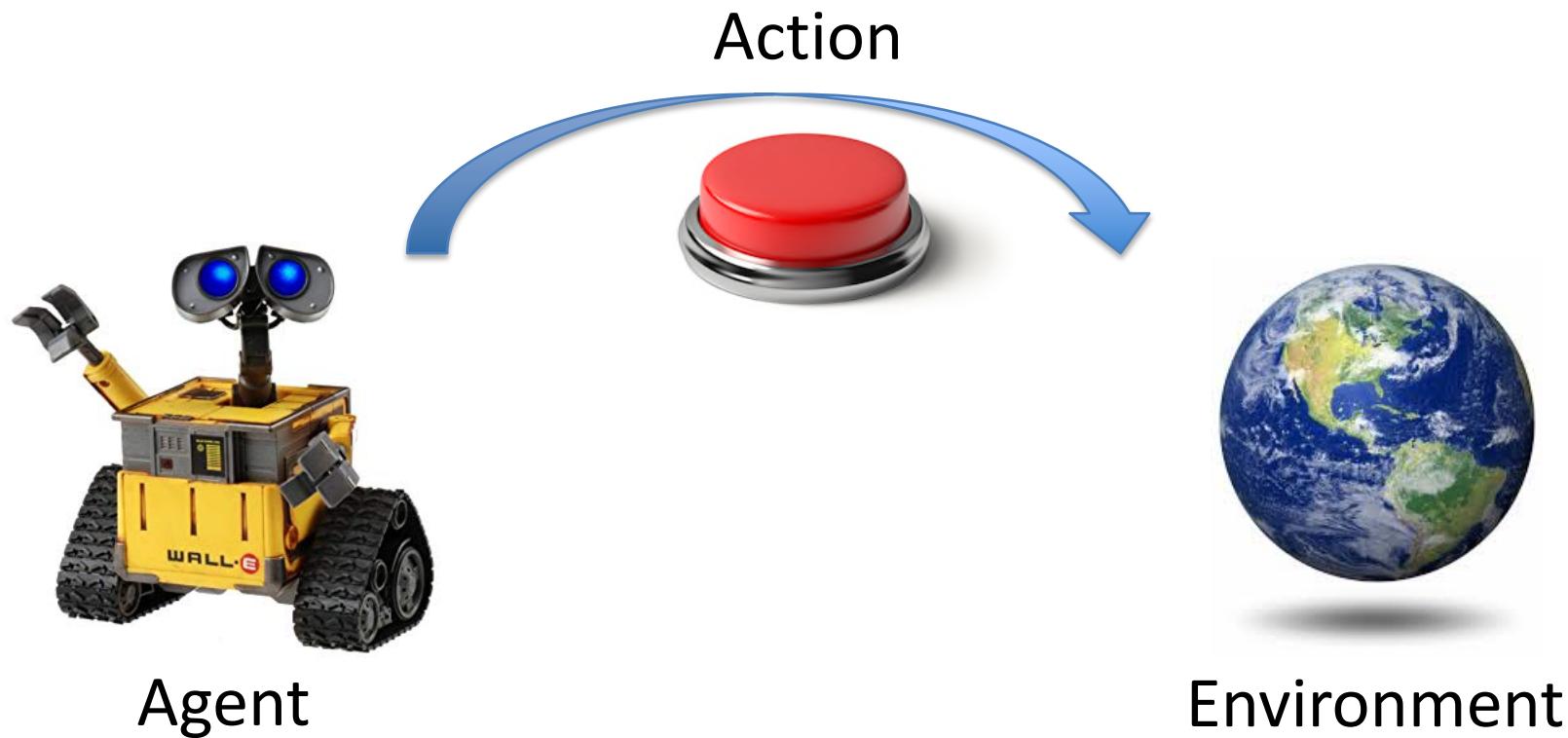


Agent



Environment

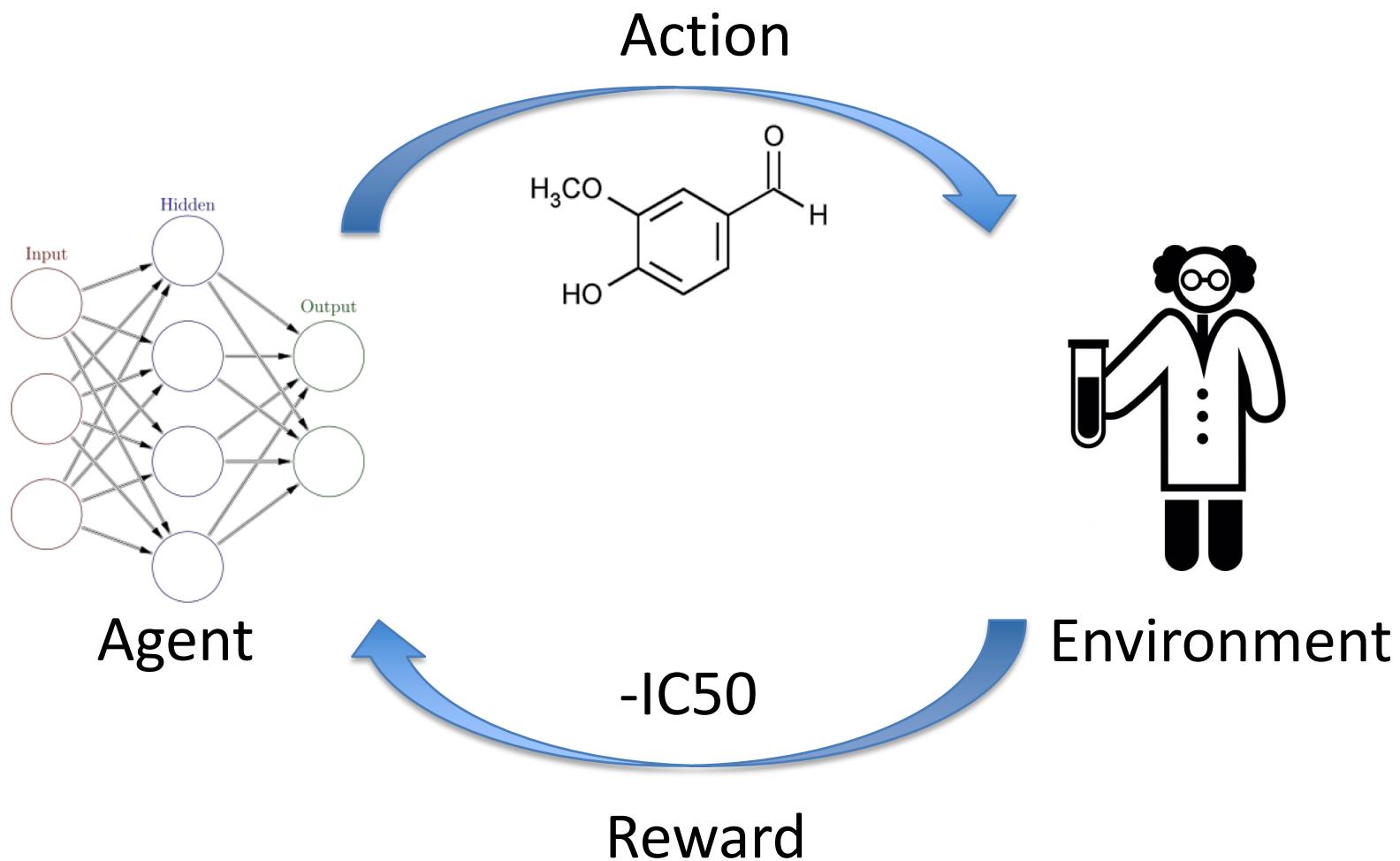
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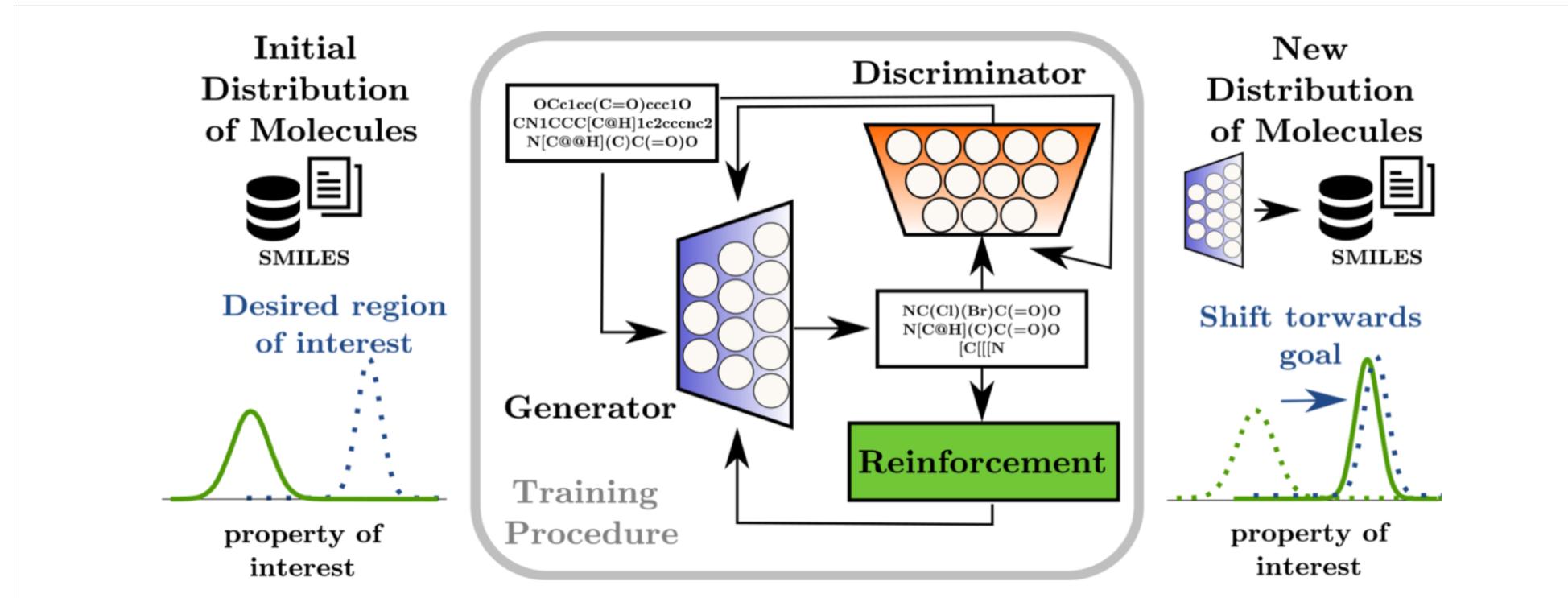
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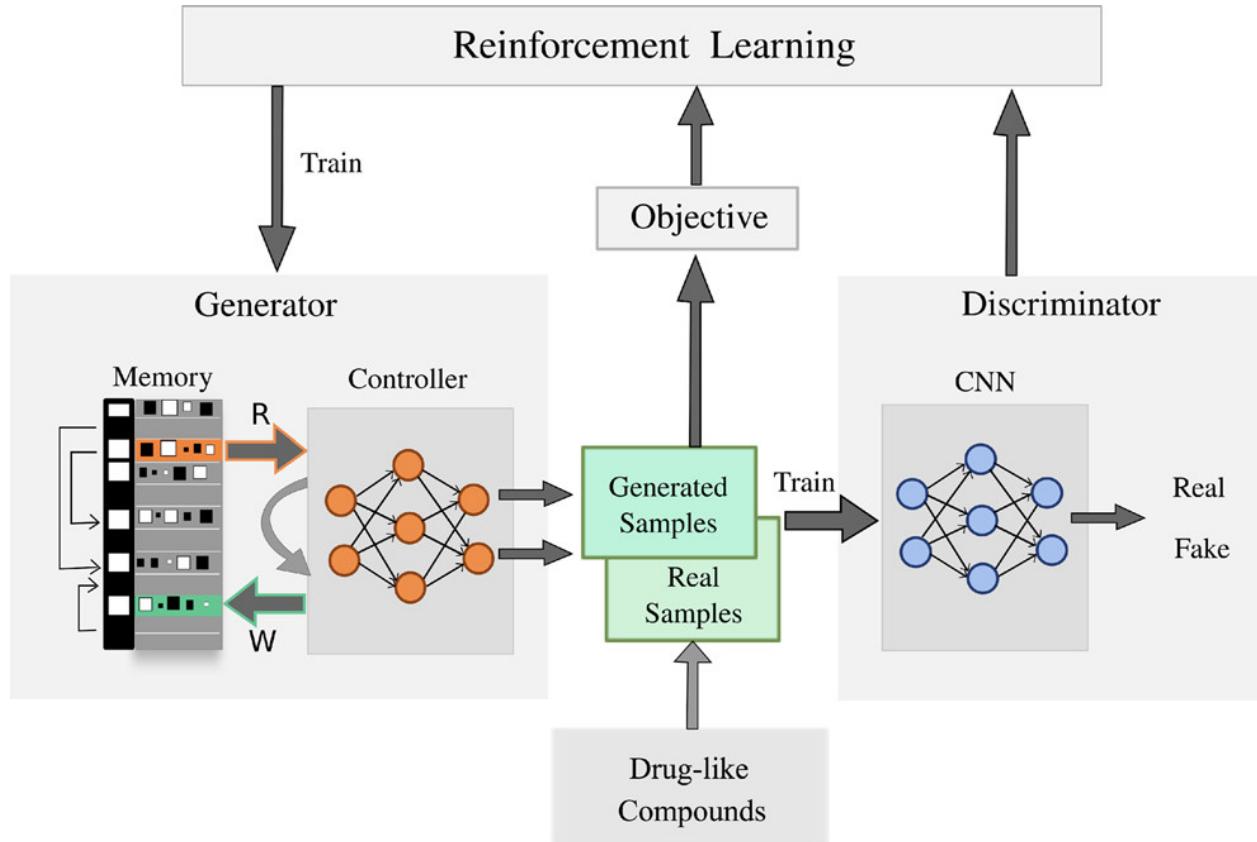


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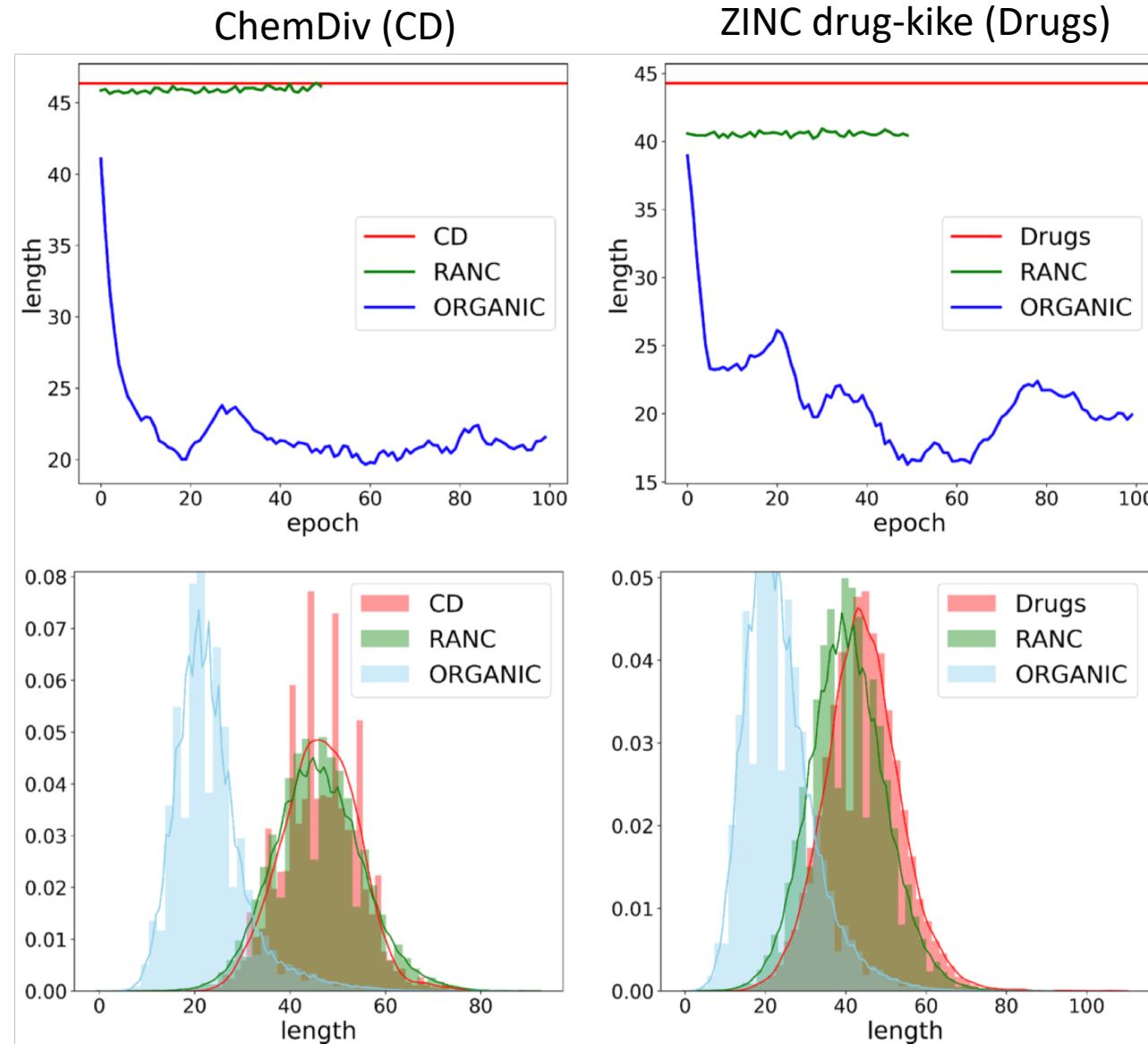
- Guide a distribution of molecules towards more optimal structures using RL
- Reward: Synthetic Accessibility (SA), Rule of Five (RO5)

REINFORCED ADVERSARIAL NEURAL COMPUTER



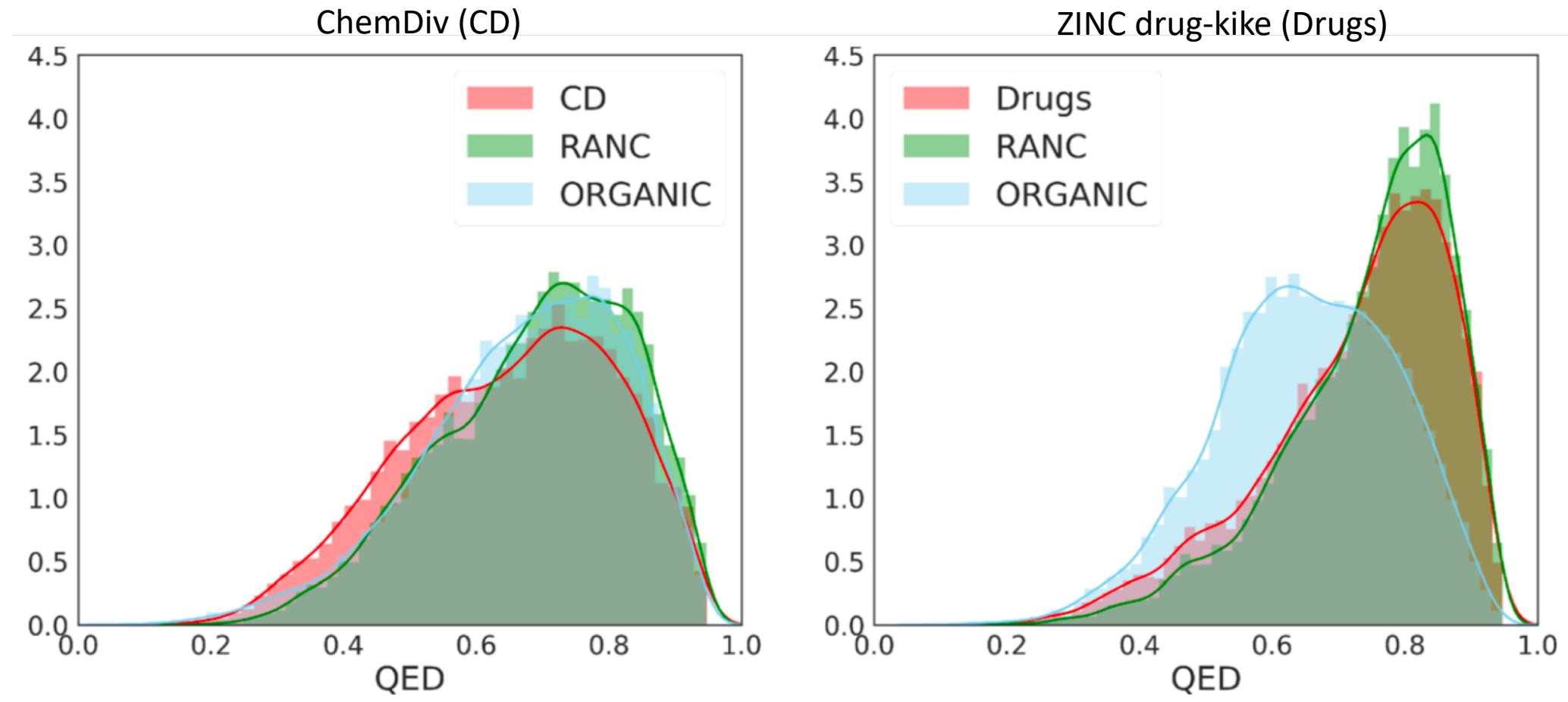
- Differentiable Neural Computer is used as a Generator
- Molecules are optimized using Reinforcement Learning, optimizing predefined reward

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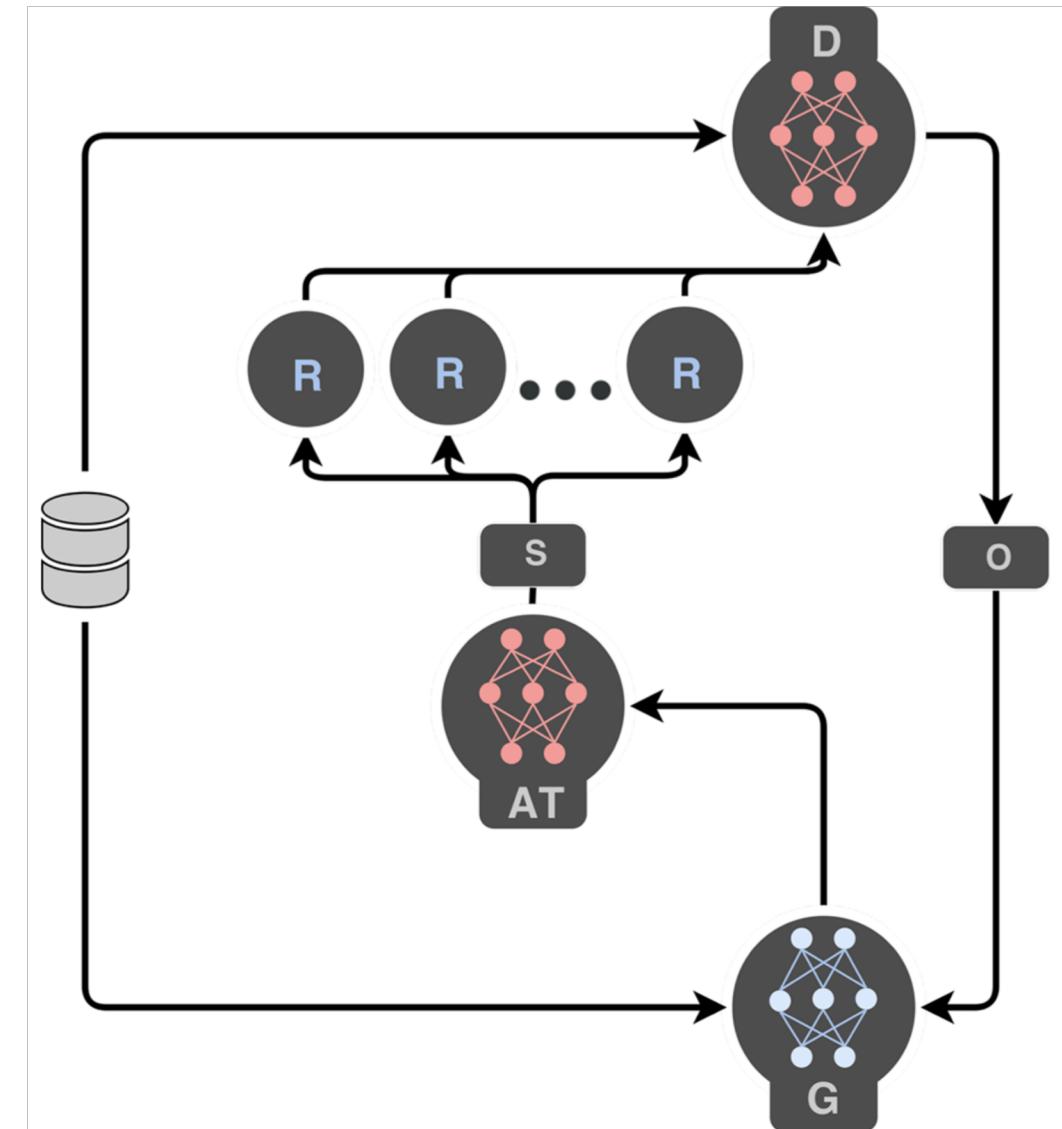
REINFORCED ADVERSARIAL NEURAL COMPUTER

Quantitative Estimate of Drug-likeness



ADVERSARIAL THRESHOLD NEURAL COMPUTER

- Adversarial threshold is a Discriminator with a fixed lag
- Adversarial threshold selects molecules with highest predicted reward
- Only selected molecules are evaluated to provide gradient

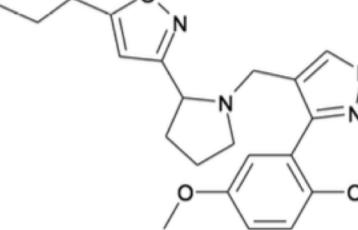
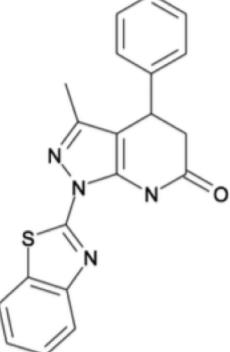
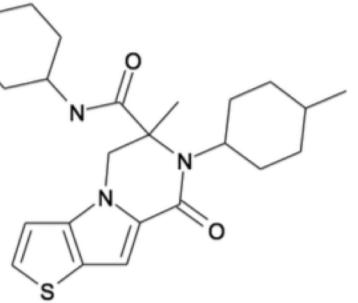


ADVERSARIAL THRESHOLD NEURAL COMPUTER

Setup:

- Train on known kinase inhibitors
 - Generate many compounds using ATNC
 - Retain **50** most promising molecules
 - Intersect with available in-house molecules
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- Test selected compounds *in vitro* against a set multiple kinases
 - Measure Inhibition % at $10\mu\text{M}$

ADVERSARIAL THRESHOLD NEURAL COMPUTER

Compound	Kinase (example)	Inhibition (%)	Supplier
	SGK1	101	AKos Consulting & Solutions AKOS005014423
	Aurora A/B	95	AKos Consulting & Solutions AKOS022051824
	SGK1	99	AKos Consulting & Solutions AKOS004939857

CHALLENGING TARGETS



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- Filter molecules using deterministic rules like RO5, MCF
- Eliminate molecules with bad predicted activity and other key indicators

RESULT



CHALLANGES

- Novelty
 - generate something previously unseen

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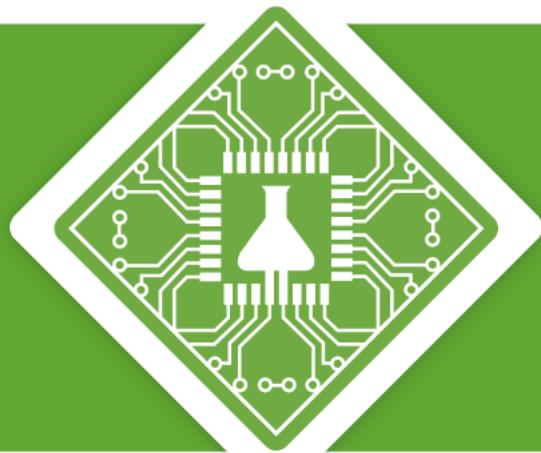
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- Diversity
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CHALLANGES

- Novelty
 - generate something previously unseen
- Diversity
 - generate different molecules
- Activity
 - should produce good molecules, not good metrics

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