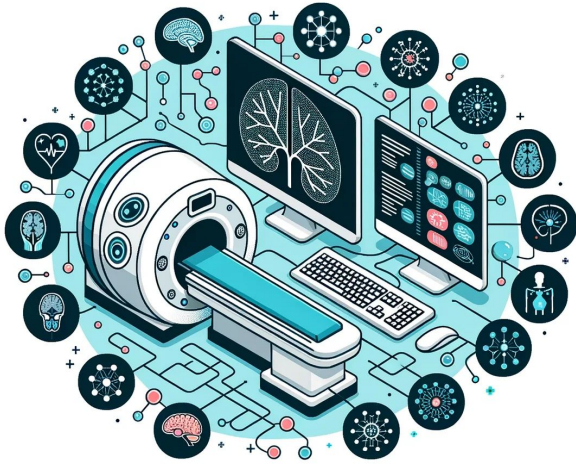


Applied Deep Learning and Generative Models in Healthcare



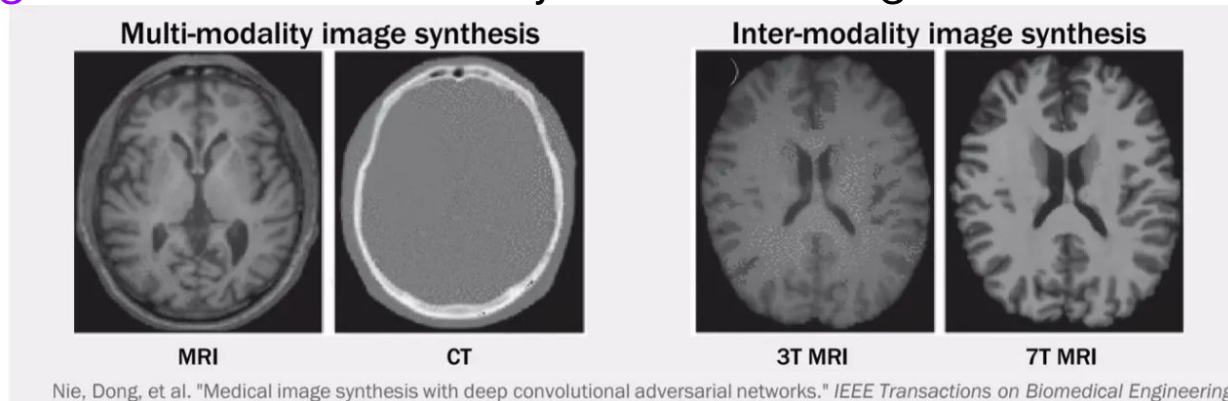
Session 5: Medical Image Synthesis

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Medical image synthesis

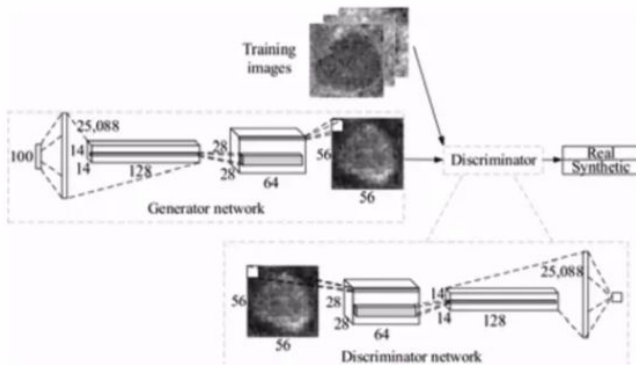
- An approach to **modeling a mapping** from given images to unknown images
- **Necessity**
 - Potential **risk of radiation exposure** for multiple acquisition of medical images (ec. CT, PET)
 - Not always accessible modalities for every patient
 - **Alignment issue** on the analysis of multi-images



Deep learning approaches for image synthesis

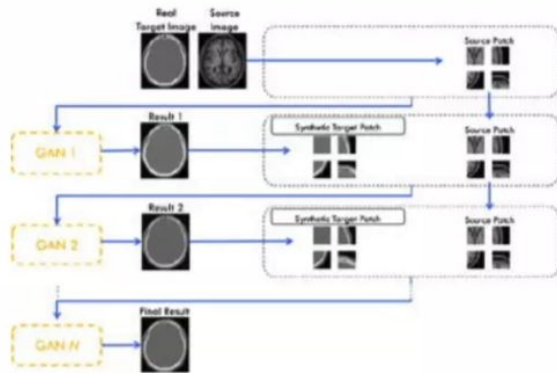
- Image generation by solving the min-max problem with **generator and discriminator**
- Useful for the dataset that does not have ground-truth images

DCGAN model



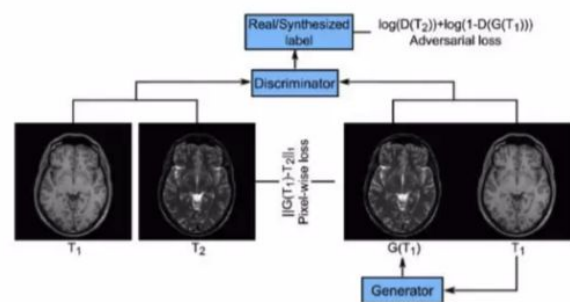
Zhang, Qianqian, et al. ICHI, 2018

Auto-context model with GAN



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Conditional GAN model



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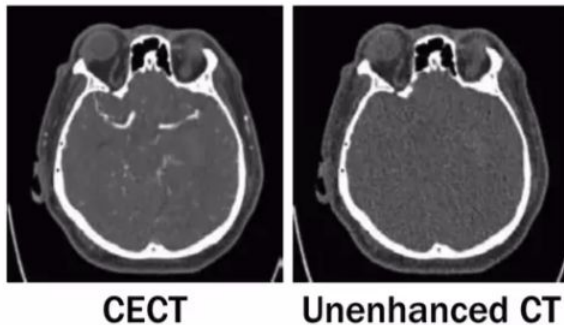
CT image synthesis from CECT

- **CECT and unenhanced CT**

- CECT: highlight specific tissues or parts of body by **contrast agent**
- Useful for diagnosis by extracting certain organ (ex. bone)

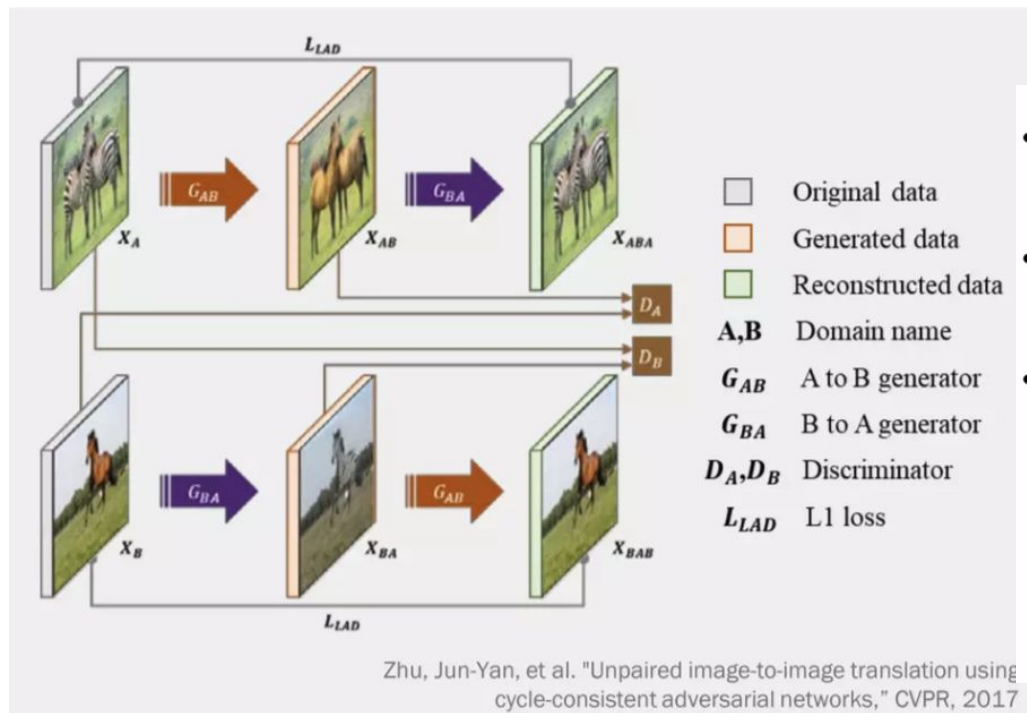
- **Challenge**

- Not aligned CT & CTEC: **not have ground-truth images**
- Only have to change the enhanced blood vessels
- Do not generate or remove certain organs/tissues



Motivation: CyceGAN

- One-to-one mapping using **cycling constraint**



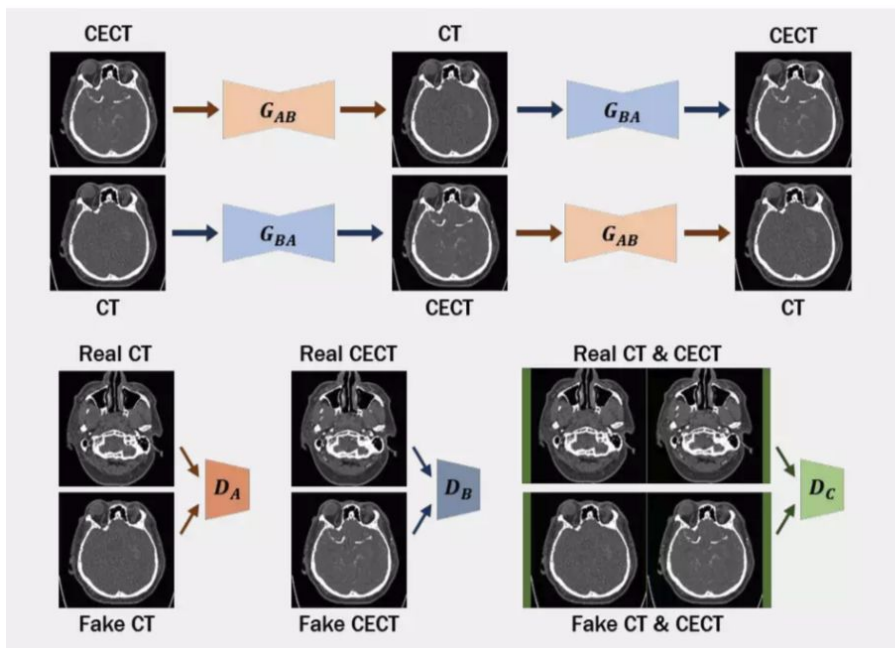
- Two Generators**
Generate the unknown image from source image
- Two Discriminators**
Distinguish between real and fake images
- Loss function**

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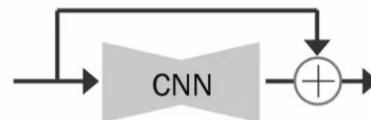
Overall framework

- Improved cycleGAN with residual learning



- Residual learning for generators**

Prevent loss of medical information



- Two Generators**

$G_{AB} : \text{CECT} \rightarrow \text{CT}$ (generate synthetic CT)

$G_{BA} : \text{CT} \rightarrow \text{CECT}$ (generate synthetic CECT)

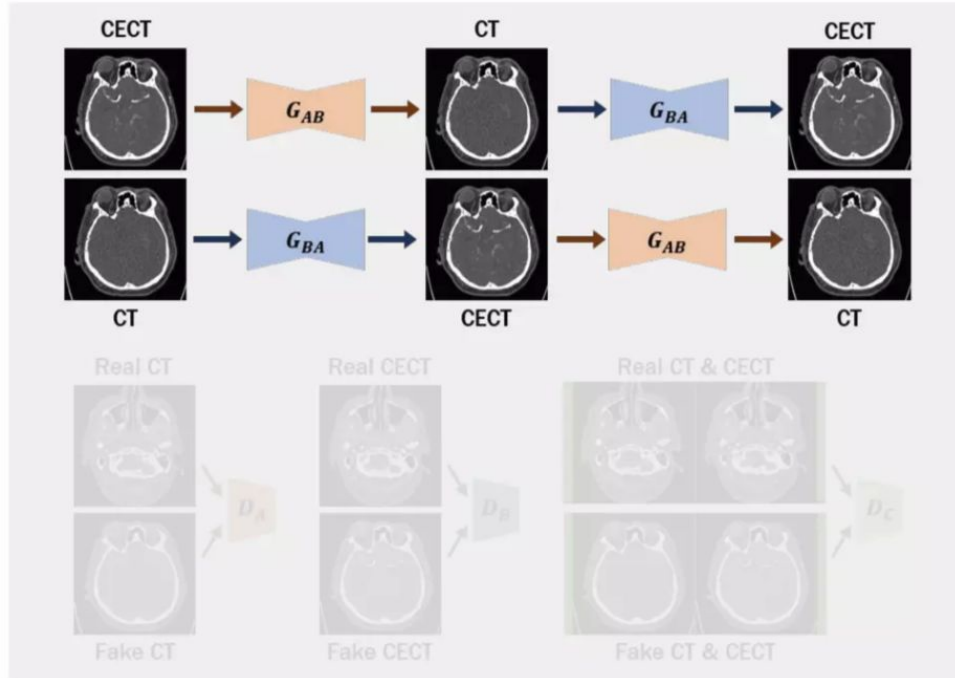
- Three Discriminators**

D_A : Distinguish real and fake CT

D_B : Distinguish real and fake CECT

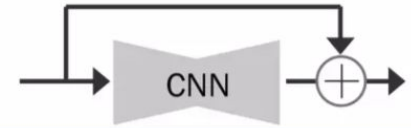
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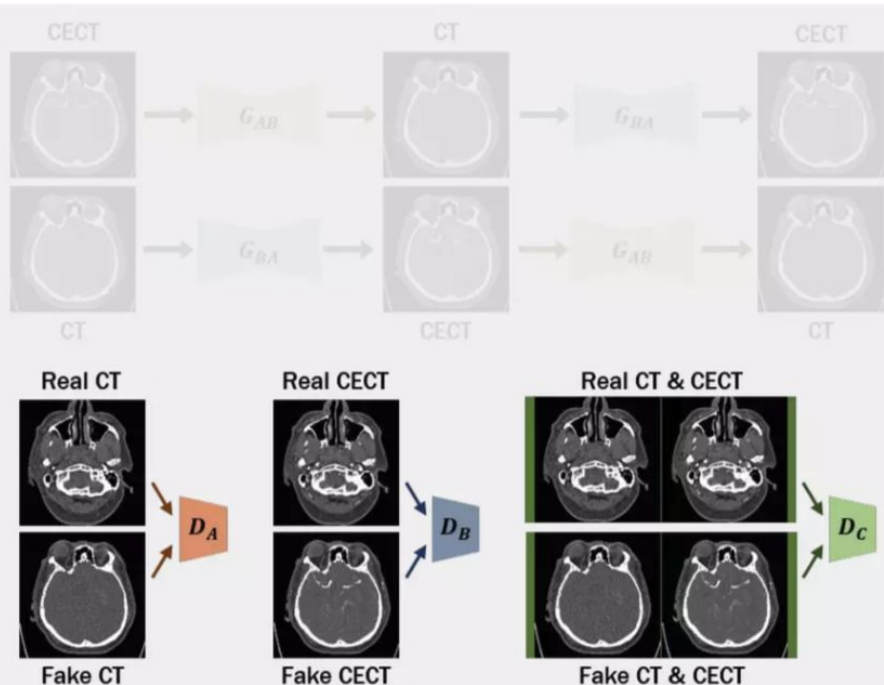
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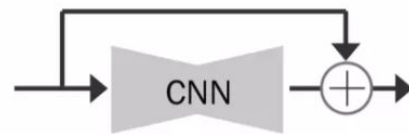
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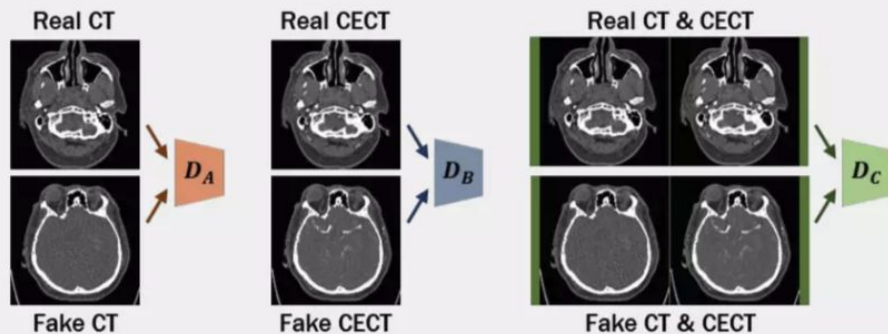
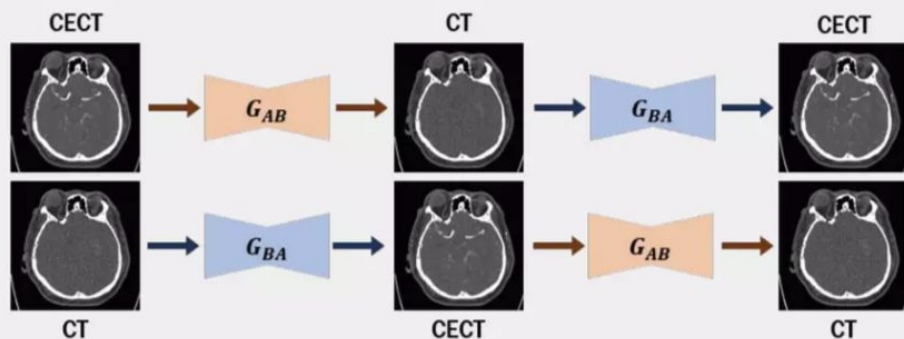
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Loss function

- Training networks by solving the optimization problem

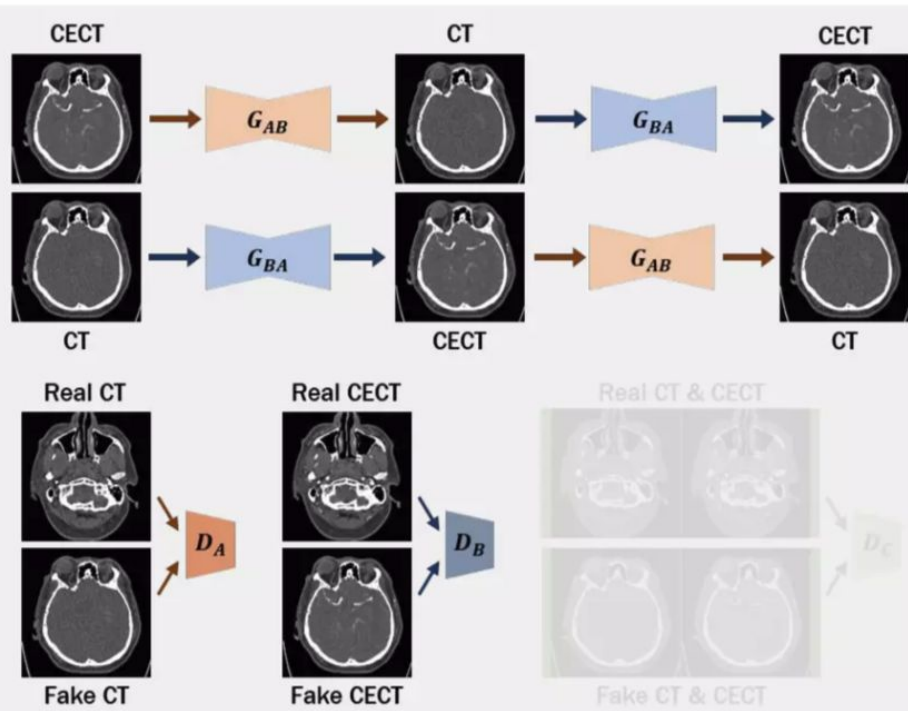


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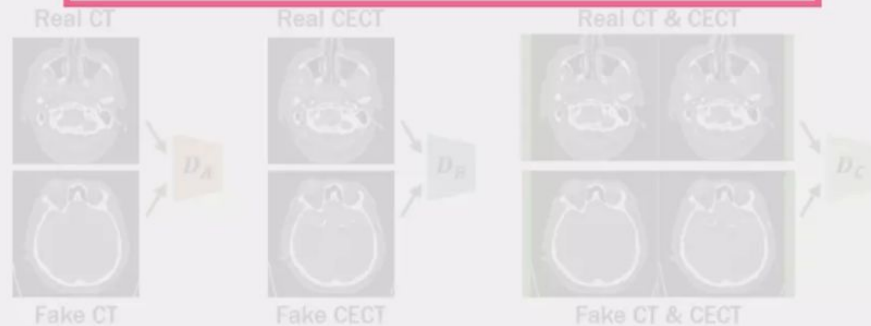
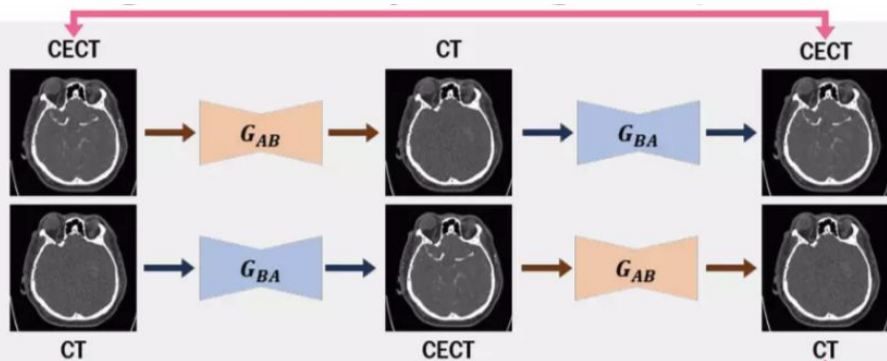
- **Adversarial loss, $L_{GAN}(G_{AB}, D_A)$**

- Produce realistic images
- Apply to input x

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{G_{AB}} \mathbb{E}_{x_A \sim P_A} [(D_A(G_{AB}(x_A)) - 1)^2] \\ \min_{D_A} \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{x_B \sim P_B} [(D_A(x_B) - 1)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{x_A \sim P_A} [D_A(G_{AB}(x_A))^2] \end{aligned}$$

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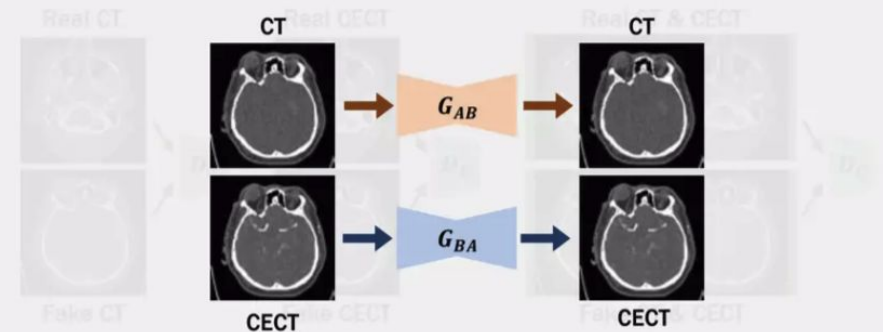
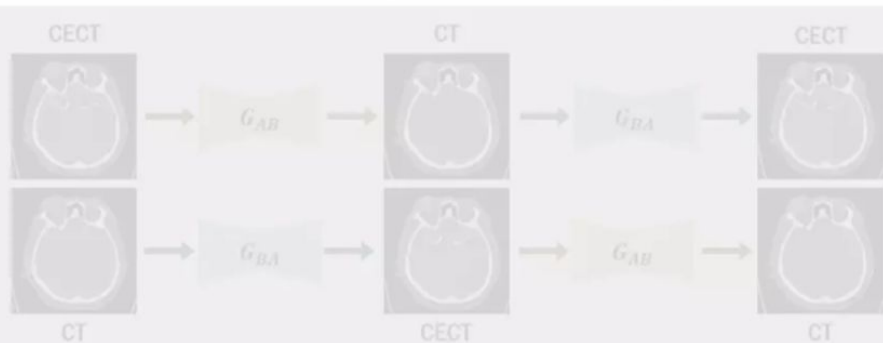
- Cyclic loss, $L_{cyclic}(G_{AB}, G_{BA})$**

Guarantee one-to-one mapping of CT & CECT

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{x_A \sim P_A} [\|G_{BA}(G_{AB}(x_A)) - x_A\|_1] \\ + \mathbb{E}_{x_B \sim P_B} [\|G_{AB}(G_{BA}(x_B)) - x_B\|_1] \end{aligned}$$

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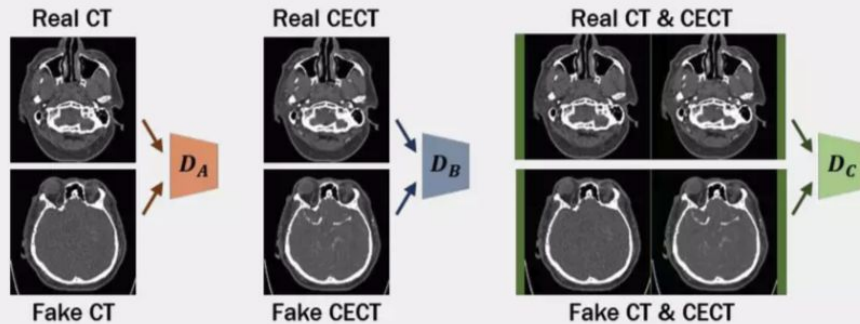
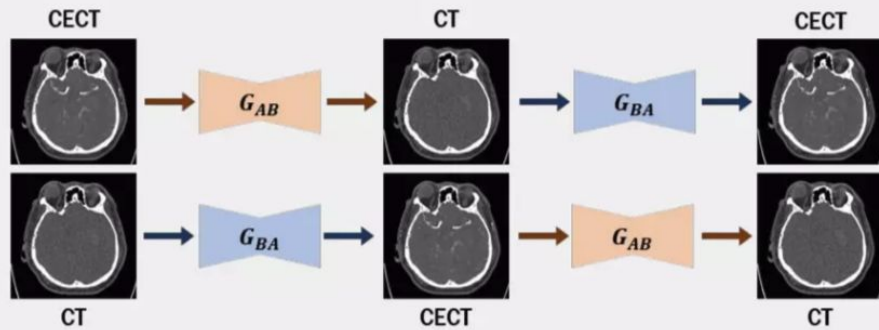
- Identity loss, $L_{identity}(G_{AB}, G_{BA})$**

Preserve medical information between CT & CECT

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{x_A \sim P_A} [\|G_{BA}(x_A) - x_A\|_1] \\ + \mathbb{E}_{x_B \sim P_B} [\|G_{AB}(x_B) - x_B\|_1] \end{aligned}$$

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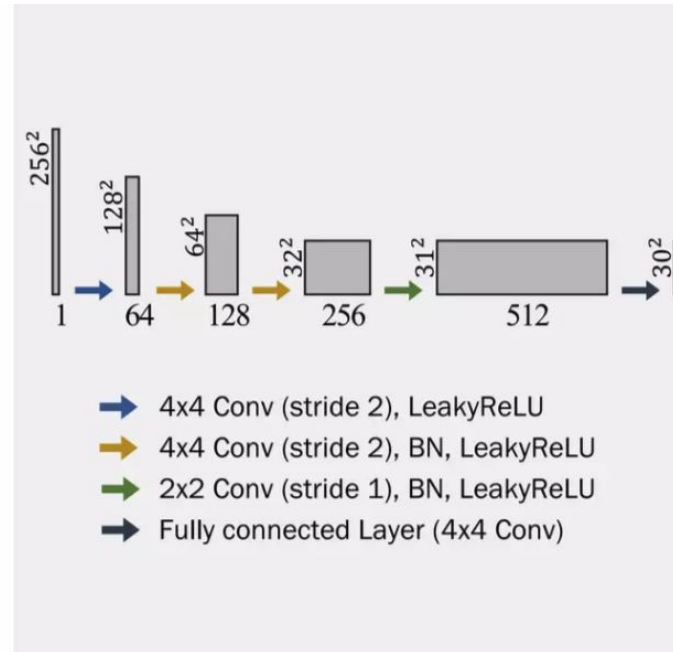
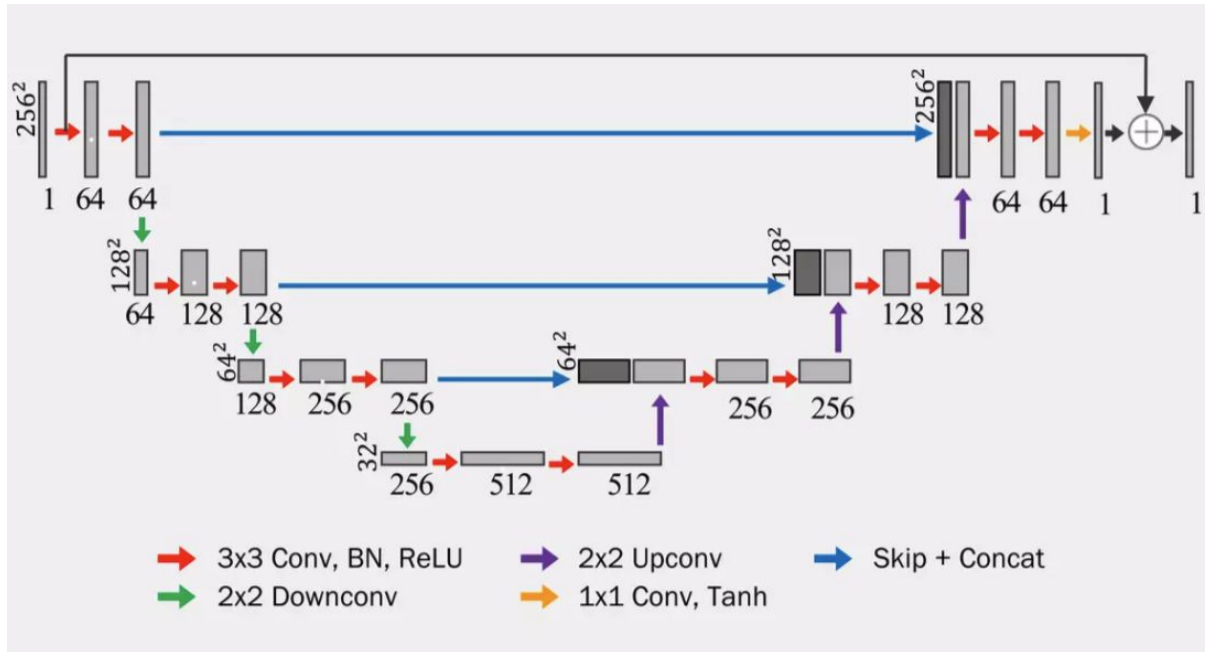
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- Minimize our designed loss function (adversarial loss + cyclic loss + identity loss)

Network architecture

- Generator (UNet)
- Discriminator



Experiments (Next session)

- **Dataset**

- Head CT & CECT scans
 - 10 paris of CT & CTECT scans
 - 8 scans for training / 2 scans for test