Deep Generative Models: Generative Adversarial Network

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Example Observations
$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$$
. We fix $Z \sim \mathbb{U}([0,1])$ G_{θ} such that $G_{\theta} \approx \phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{-1}$ (quantile function)

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Theorem 1

For any random variable $X \in \mathbb{R}^d$, there is a measurable $\phi : [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^d$ such that

$$\phi(U) \stackrel{dist.}{=} X$$

 \Rightarrow In theory $Z \sim \mathbb{U}(0,1)$ is enough!

In practice, ϕ is very ugly.

 \Rightarrow \Rightarrow Increase latent dimension

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 - Other Deep Generative Models (Diffusion Model, VAE, ...)

What are GANs (Goodfellow et al. 2014)

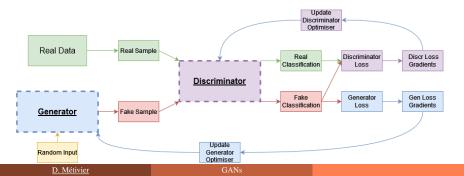
In the relatively short history of deep learning, GANs have significantly revolutionized the world of AI and made their mark with popular demonstrators such as https://thisxdoesnotexist.com/

GANs can learn very complex G_{θ} like distribution of images of realistic people, beach, mountain etc.

GANs: Architecture and Loss function

$$\min_{G} \max_{D} \operatorname{Loss}(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim \operatorname{data}} \left[\log D(\mathbf{x}) \right] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim f_{\mathbf{Z}}} \left[\log \left(1 - D(G(\mathbf{z})) \right) \right]$$

- G Generator (a classifier Neural Network)
- D Discriminator (a Neural Network)
- $\mathbf{X} \sim \mathrm{data}$
- $\mathbf{Z} \sim f_z$ noise (latent vector) of dimension l



GAN limitations

- Very fragile equilibrium between Discriminator and Generator e.g. mode collapse (generator learns too fast compared to the discriminator)
- Vanishing gradients
- Needs a lot of resources with huge architectures