

CS7015 (Deep Learning) : Lecture 23

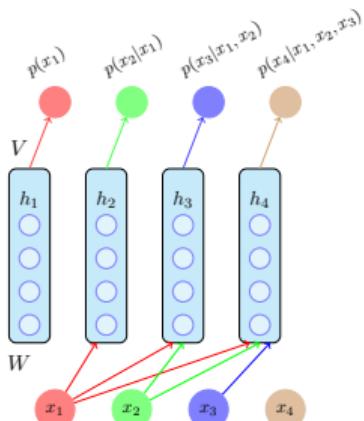
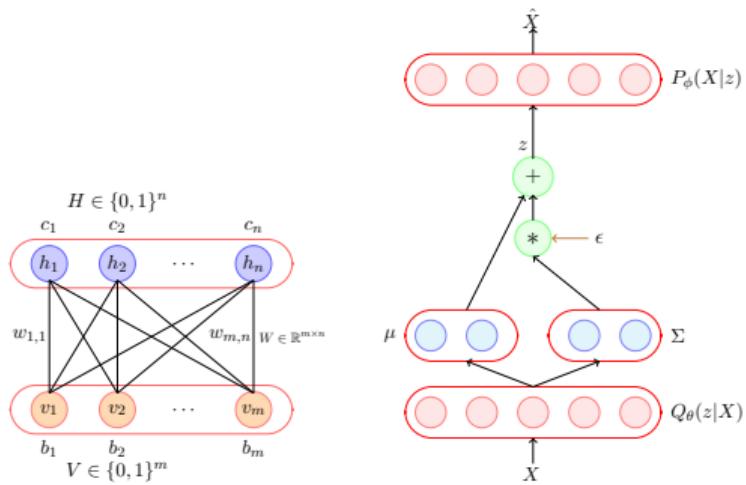
Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)

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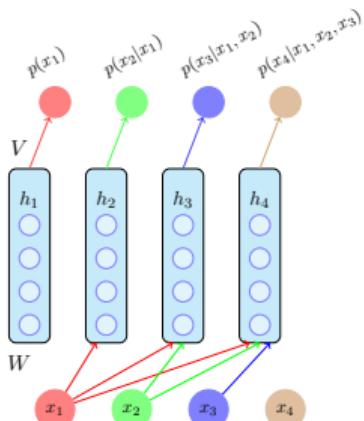
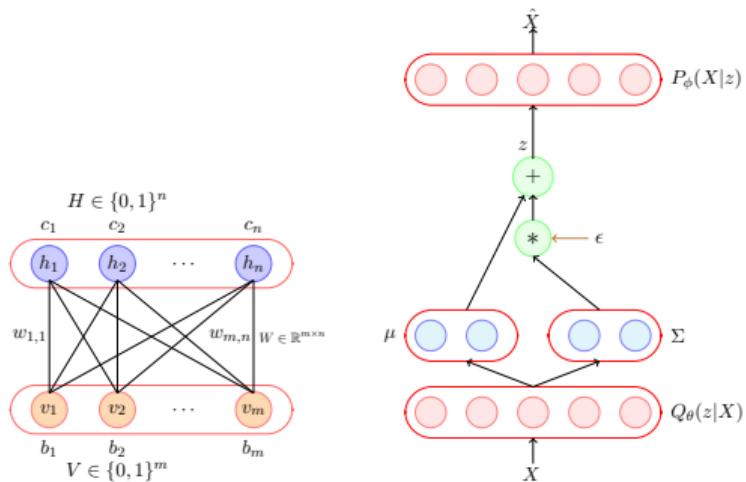
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Module 23.1: Generative Adversarial Networks - The intuition

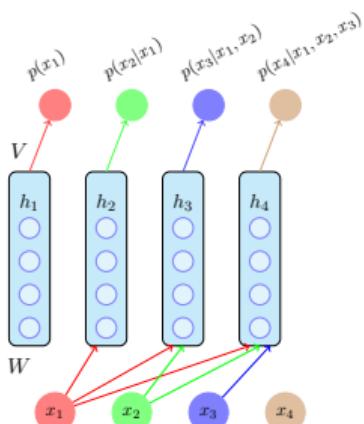
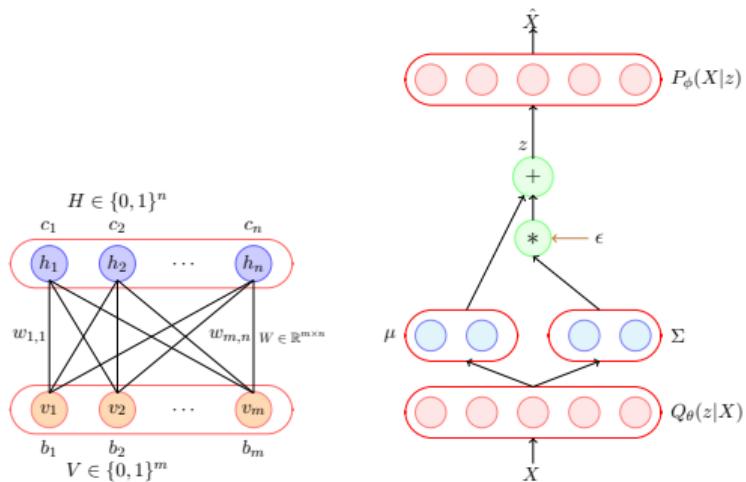
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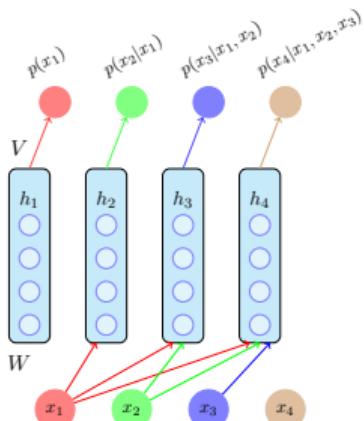
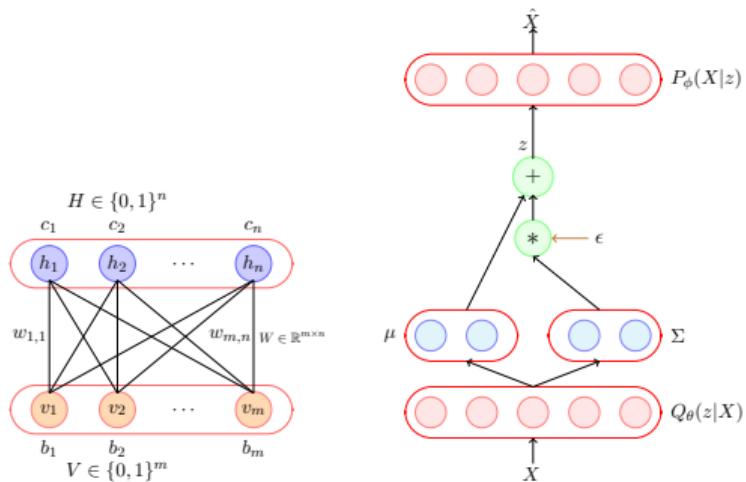
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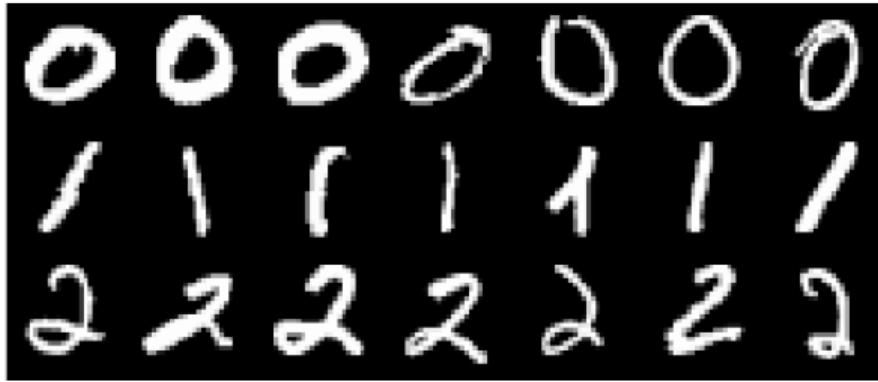
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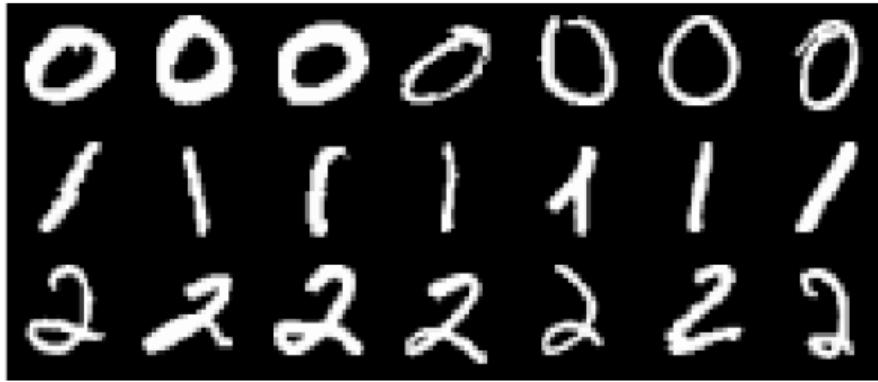
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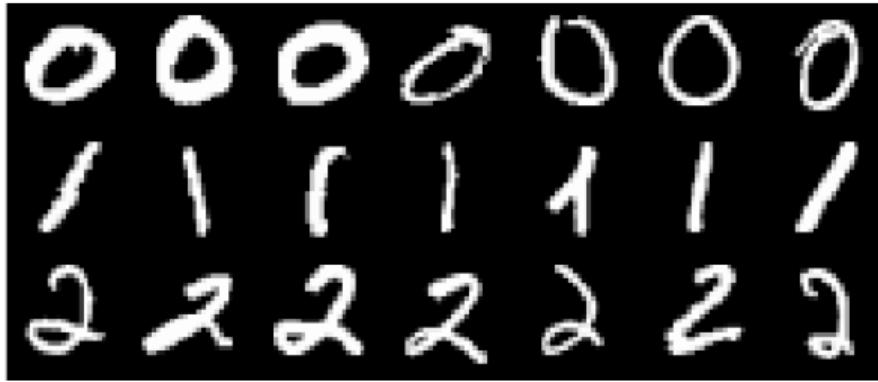
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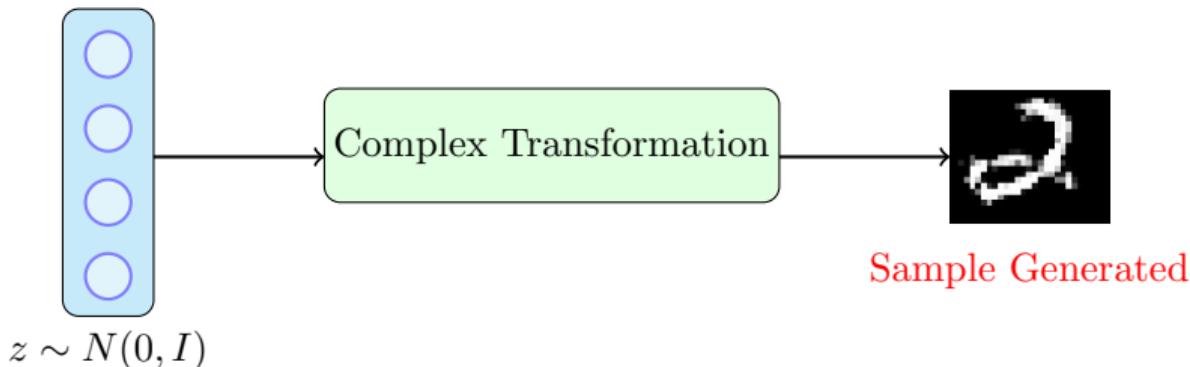
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- In other words, we want to sample from a complex high dimensional distribution which is intractable (recall RBMs, VAEs and AR models deal with this intractability in their own way)



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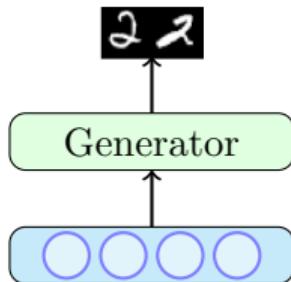
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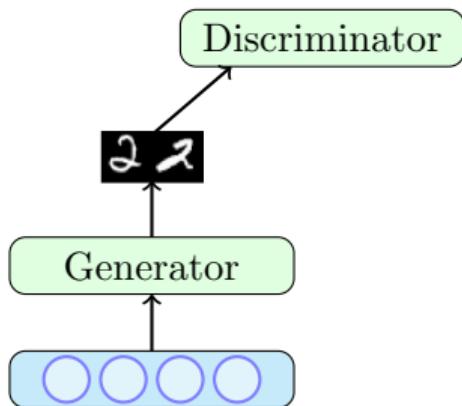
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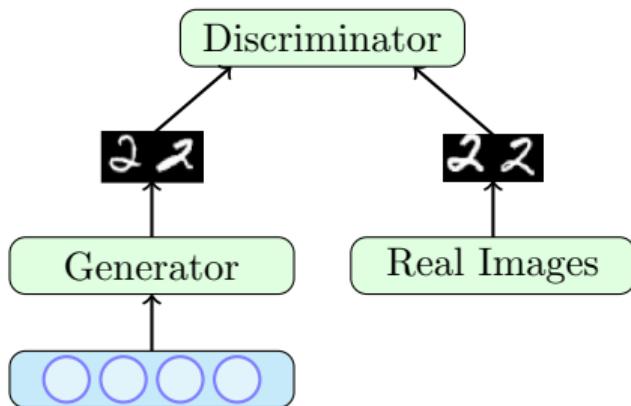


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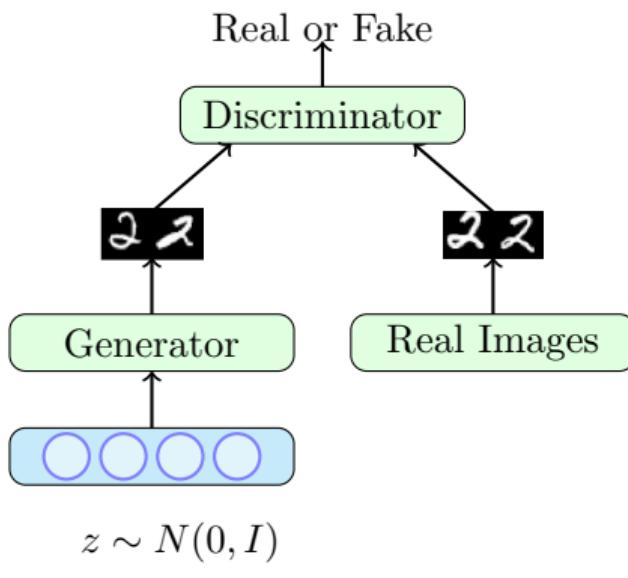


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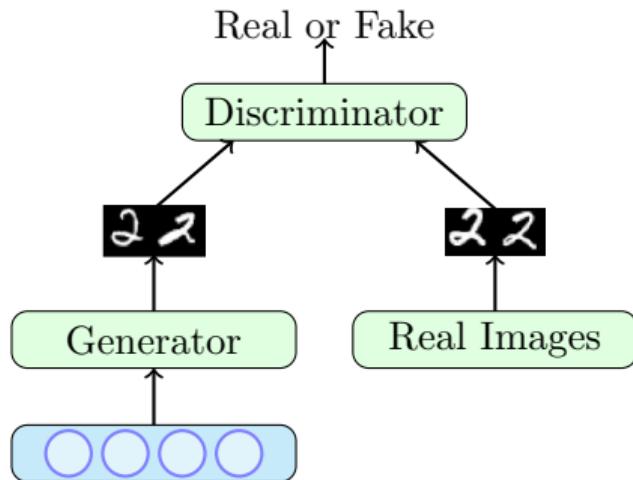


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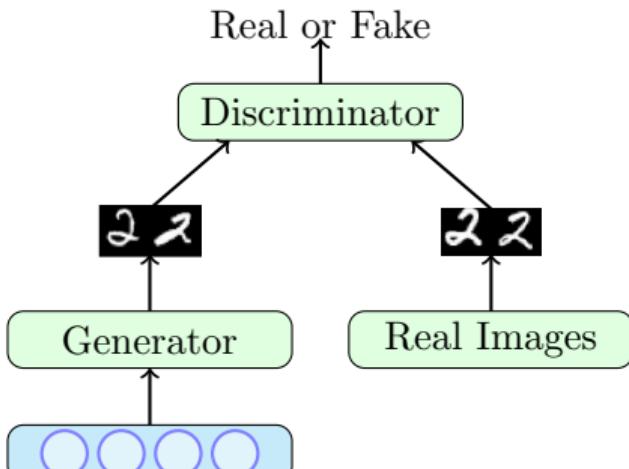


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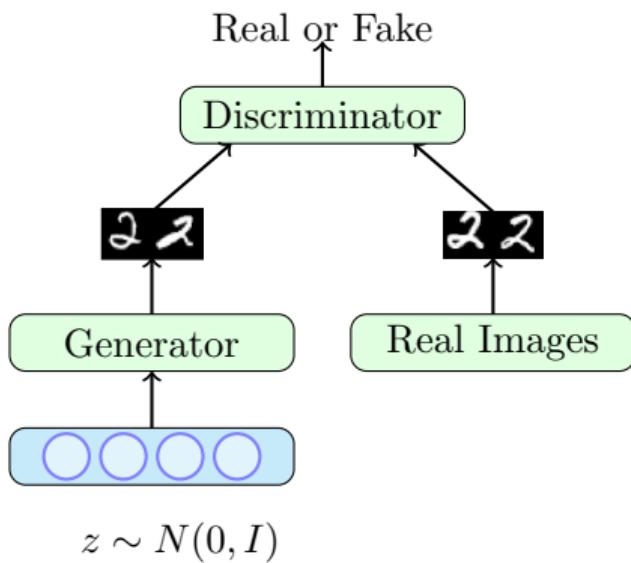
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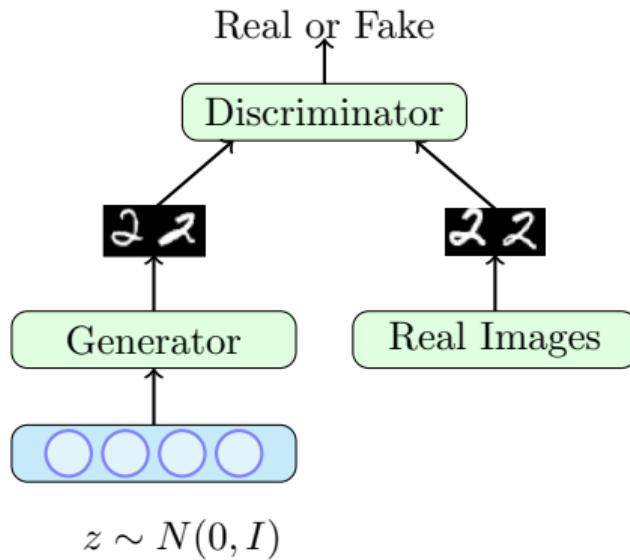


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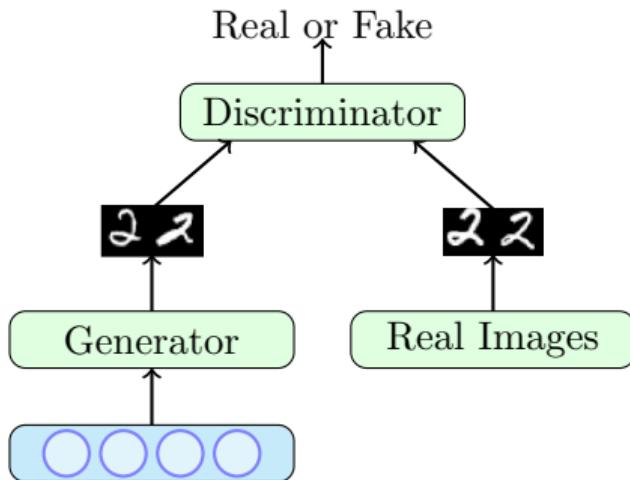
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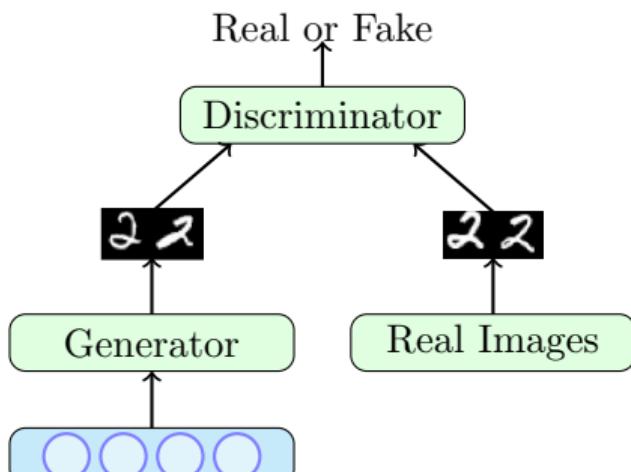


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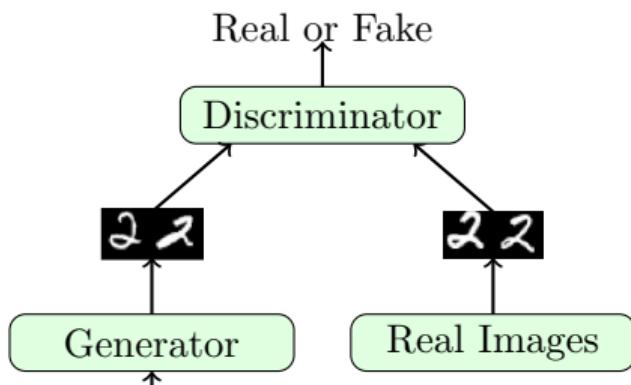
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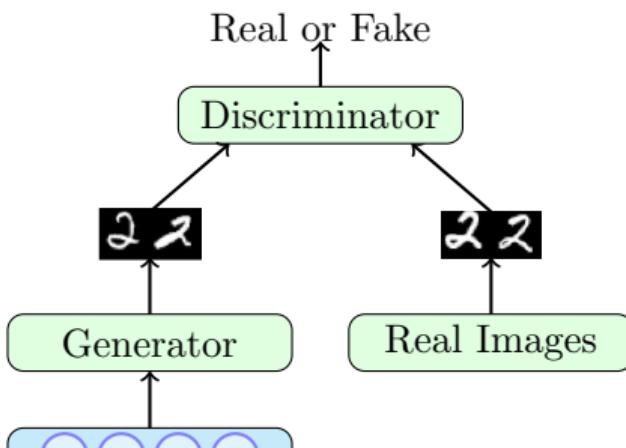
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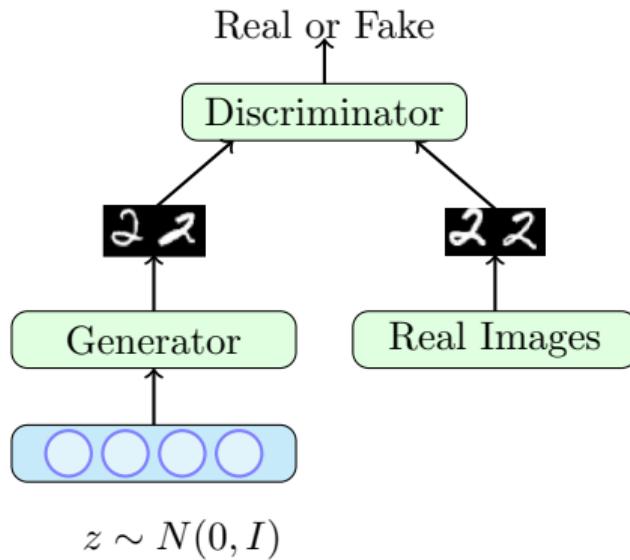
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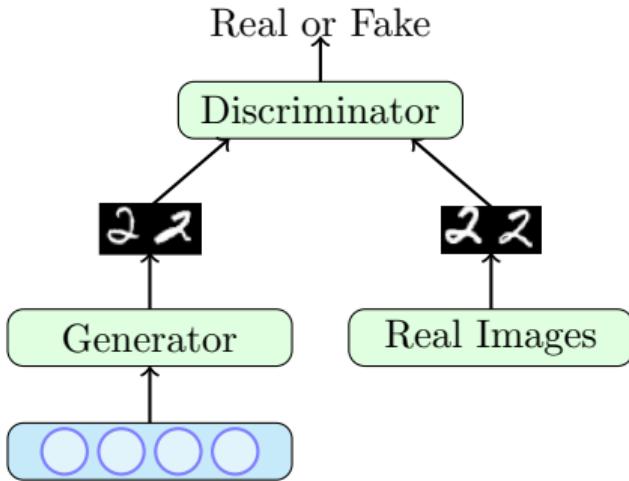


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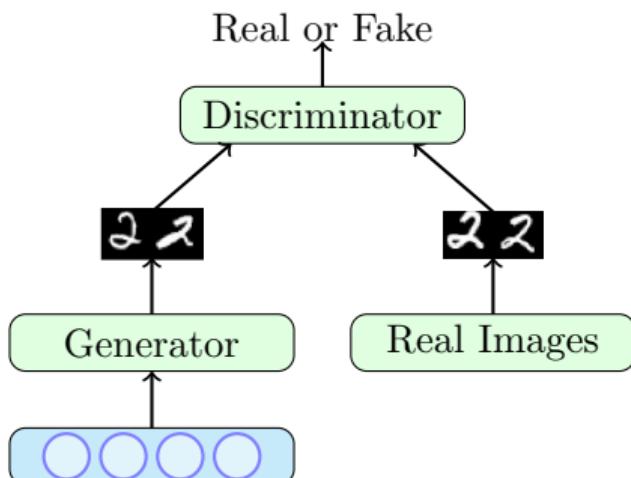


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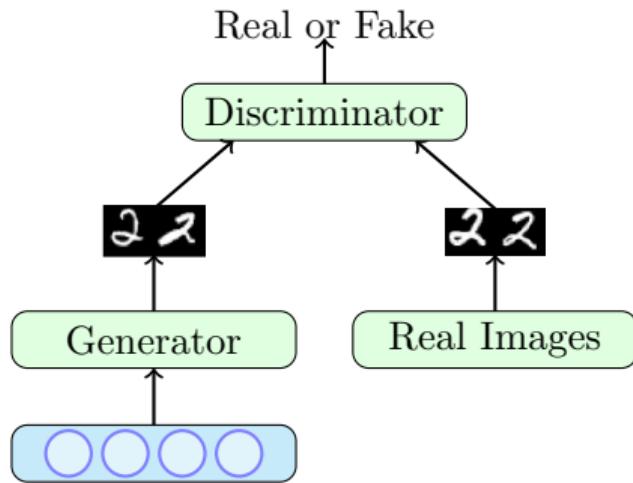


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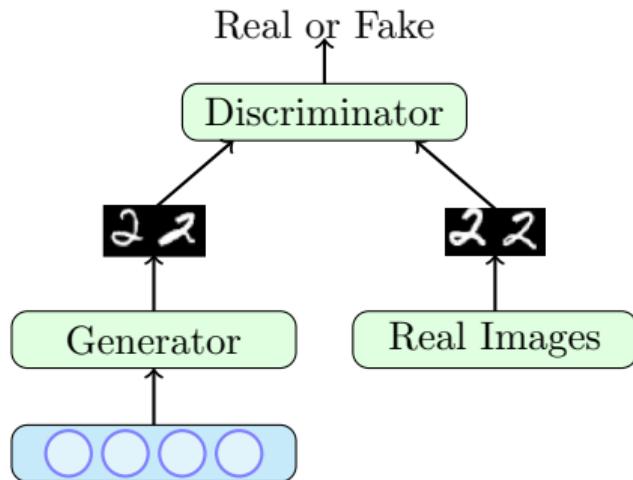
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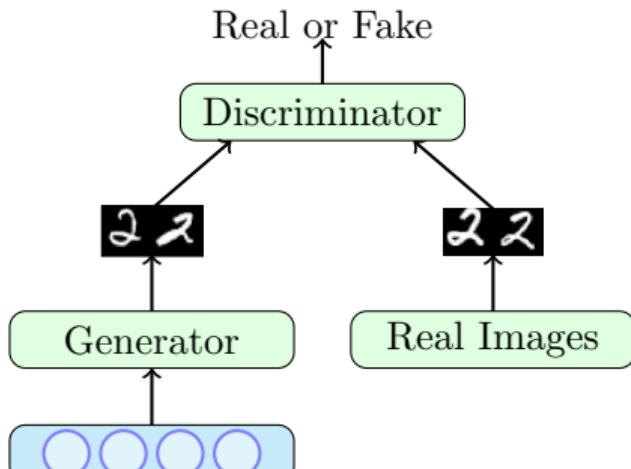
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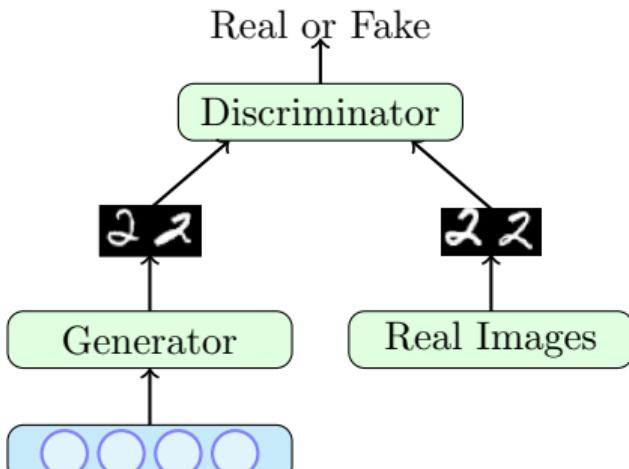
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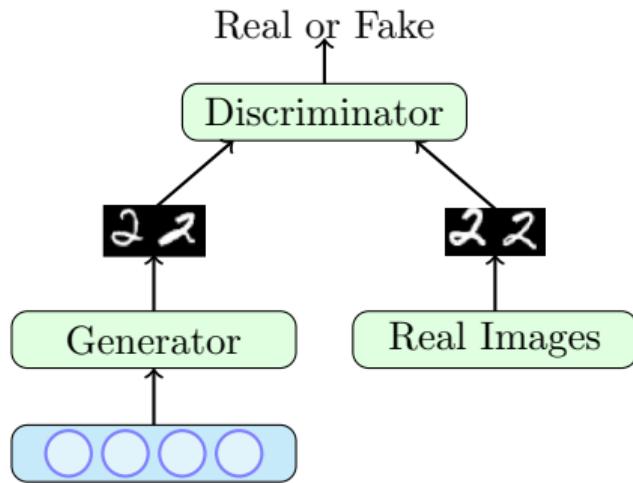


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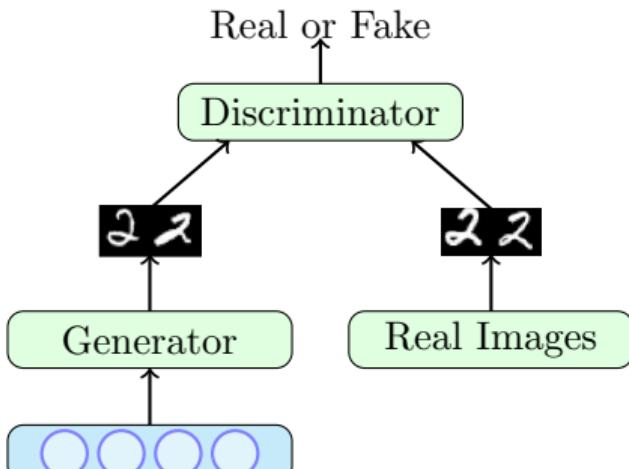




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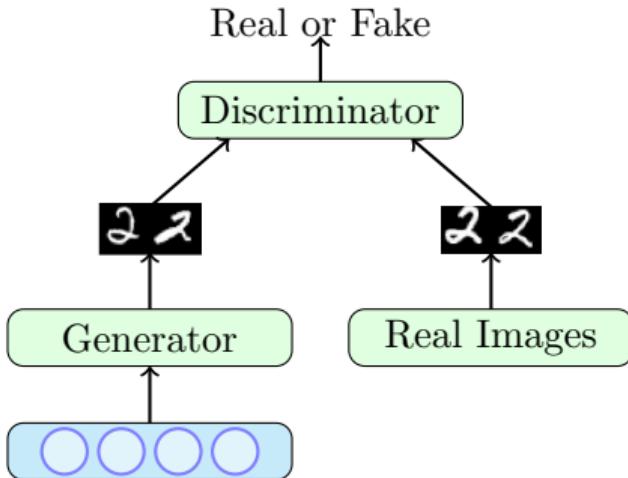
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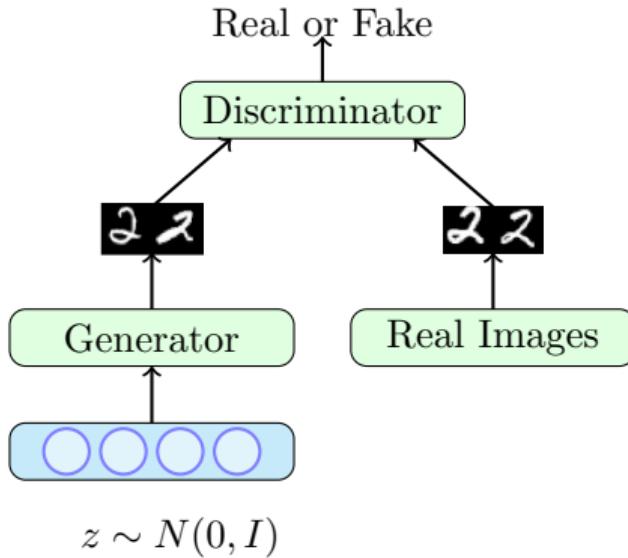
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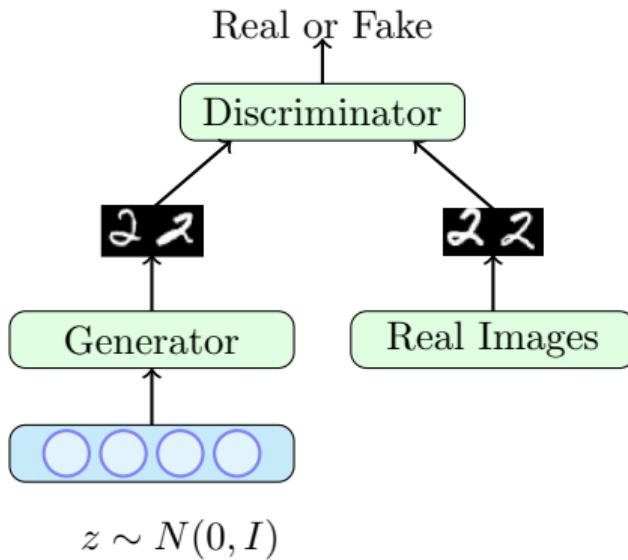
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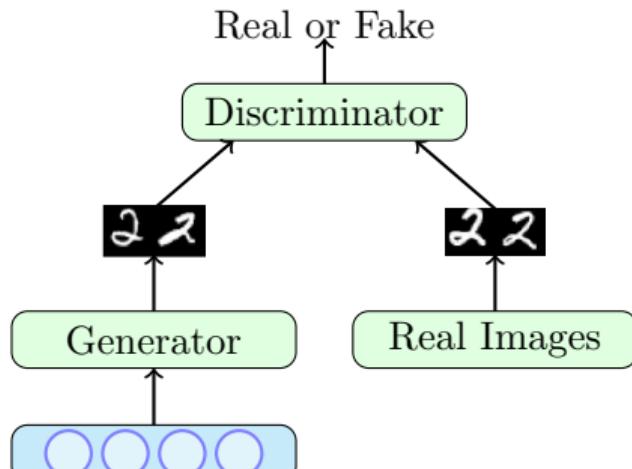
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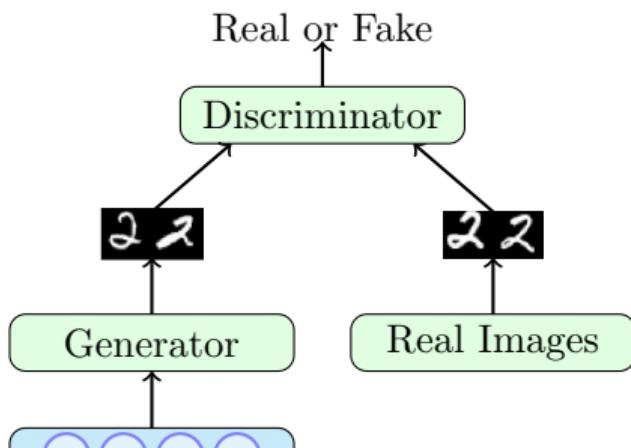
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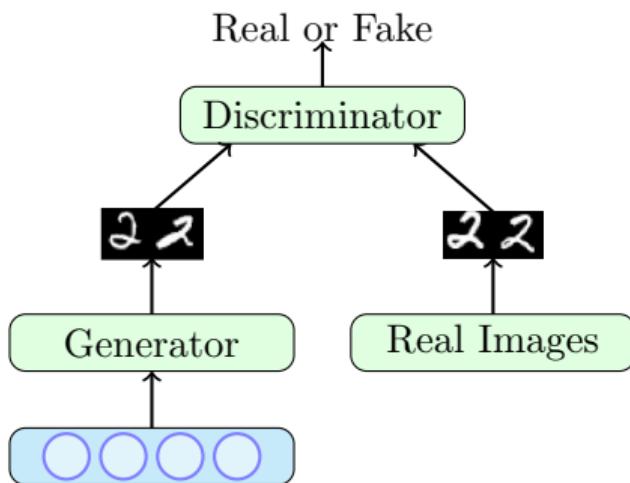
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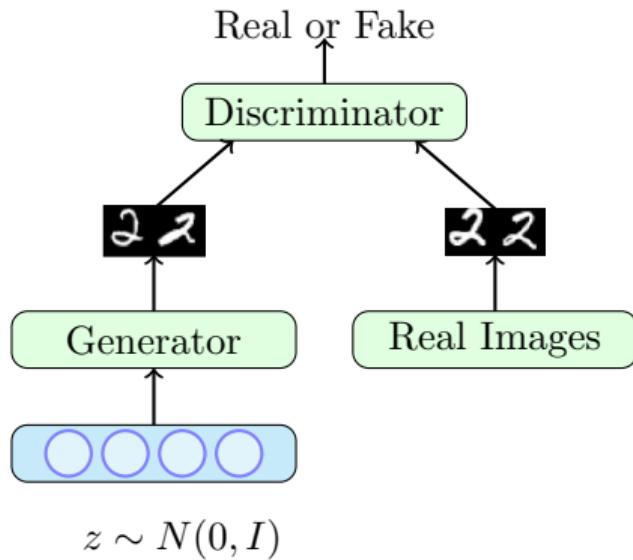
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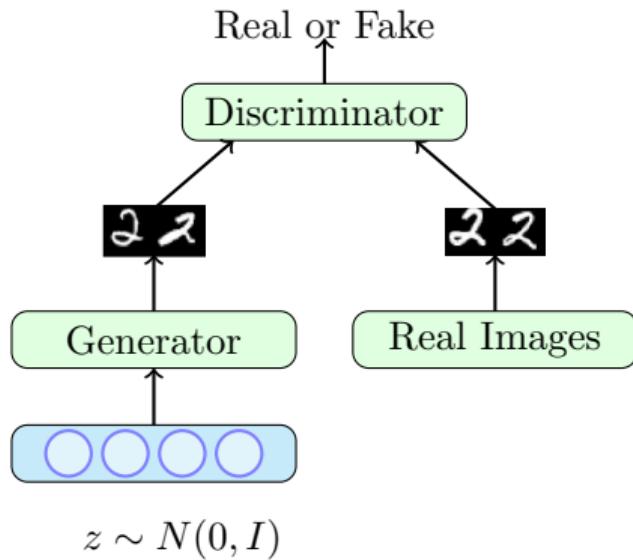
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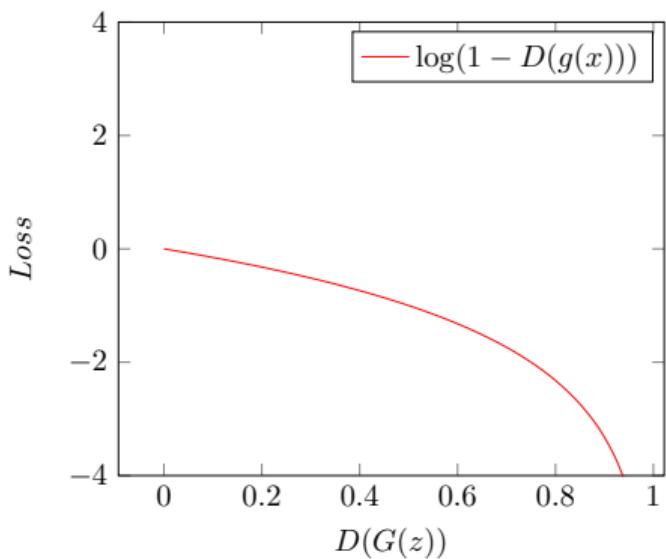
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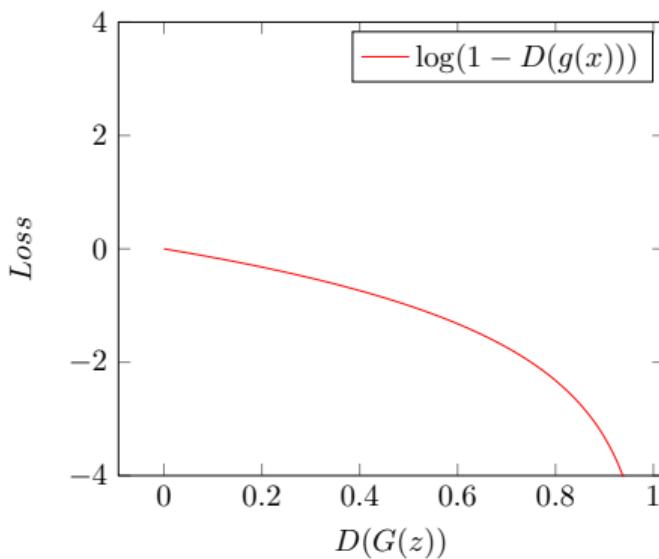
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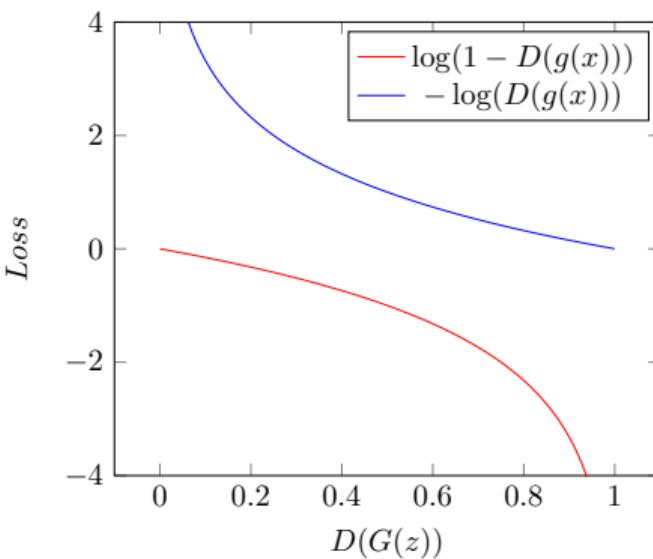
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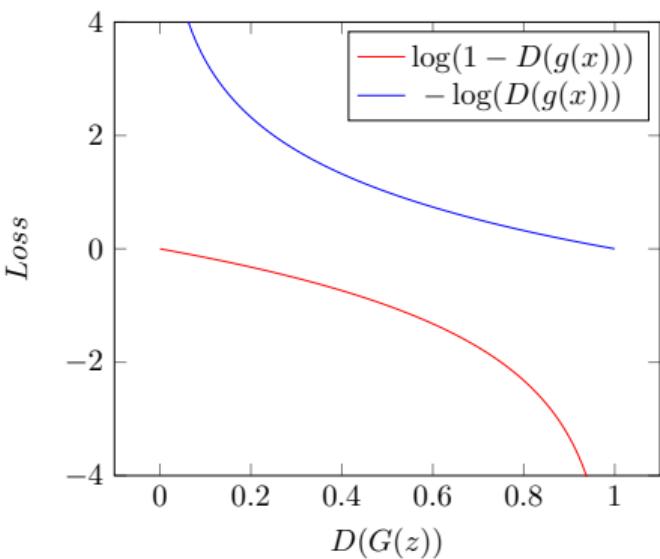


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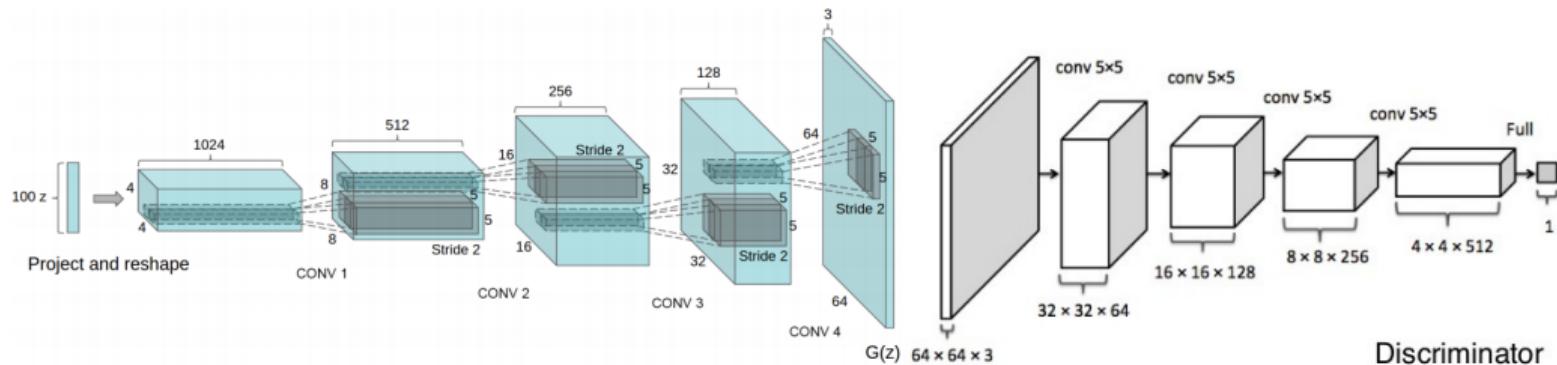


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- For example, it is possible that for some $p_G \neq p_{data}$, the discriminator's loss value is lower than $-\log 4$
- To show that the discriminator achieves its lowest value "if $p_G = p_{data}$ ", we need to show that for all other values of p_G the discriminator's loss value is greater than $-\log 4$

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Module 23.4: Generative Adversarial Networks - Some Cool Stuff and Applications



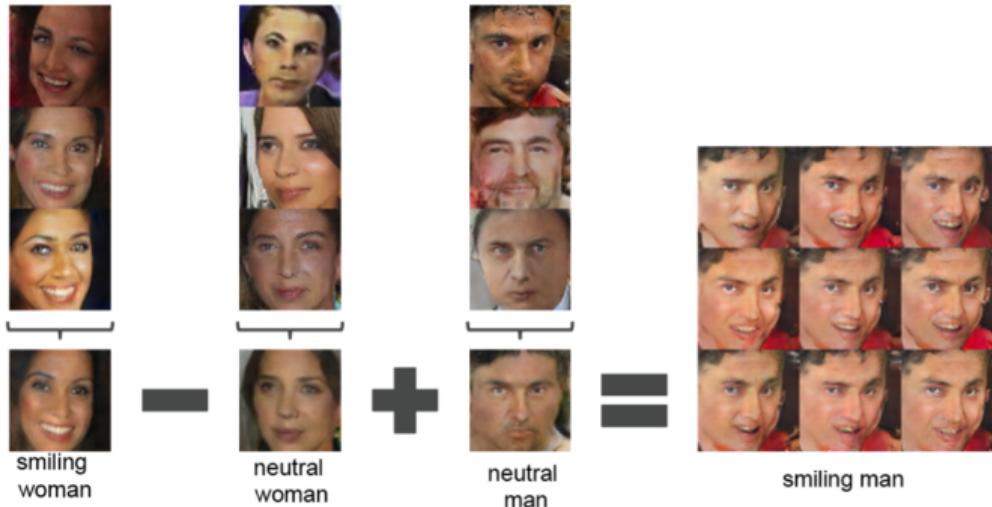
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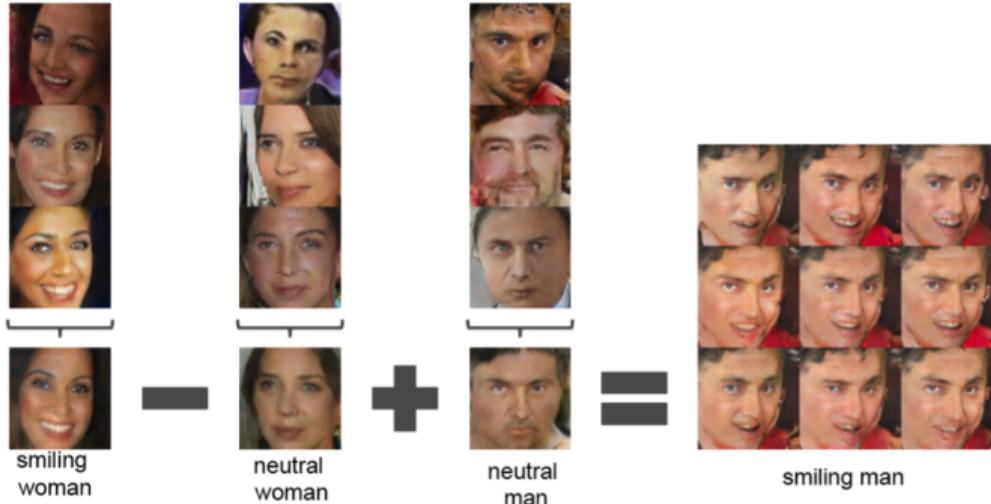
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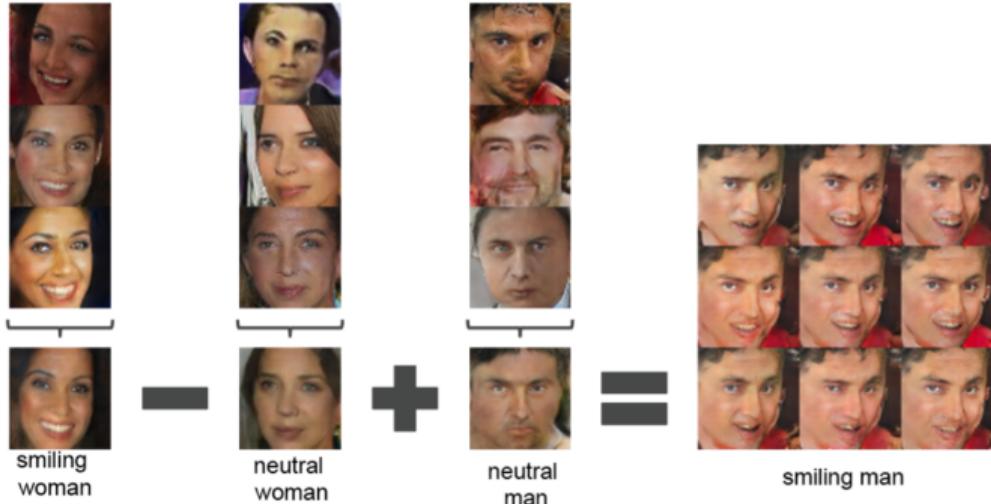
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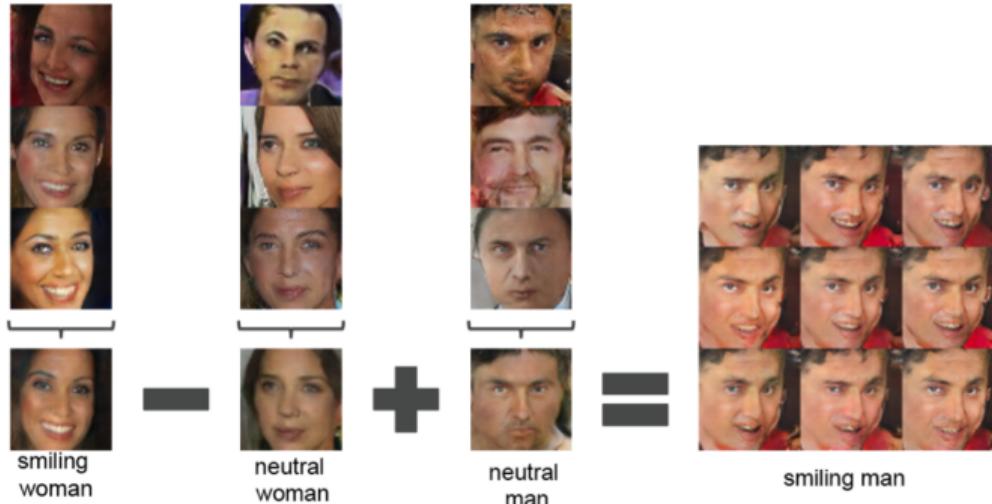
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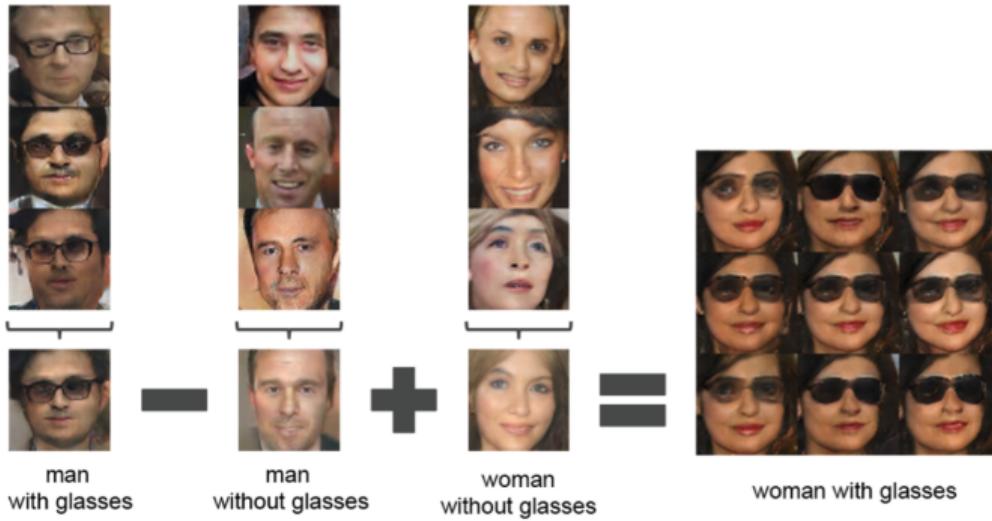
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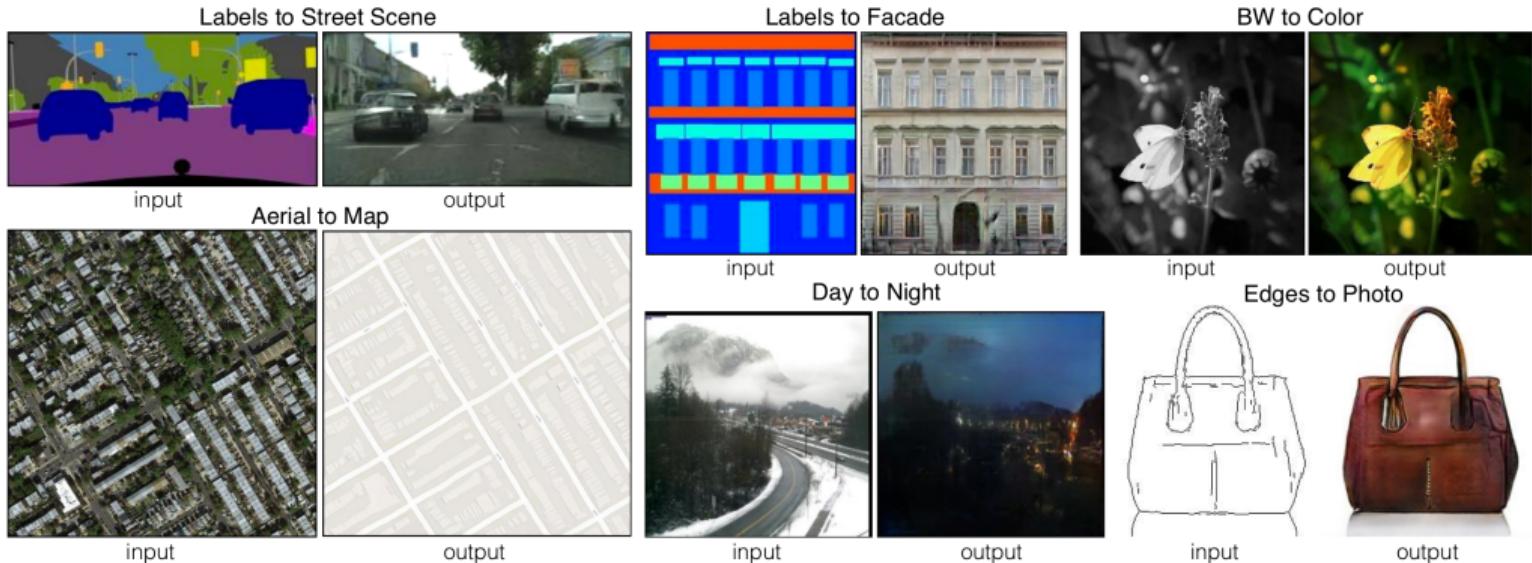
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[Phillip Isola](#), [Jun-Yan Zhu](#), [Tinghui Zhou](#), [Alexei A. Efros](#), Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Networks, CVPR, 2017.

Module 23.5: Bringing it all together (the deep generative summary)

	RBM	VAE	AR models	GANs
Abstraction	Yes	Yes	No	No

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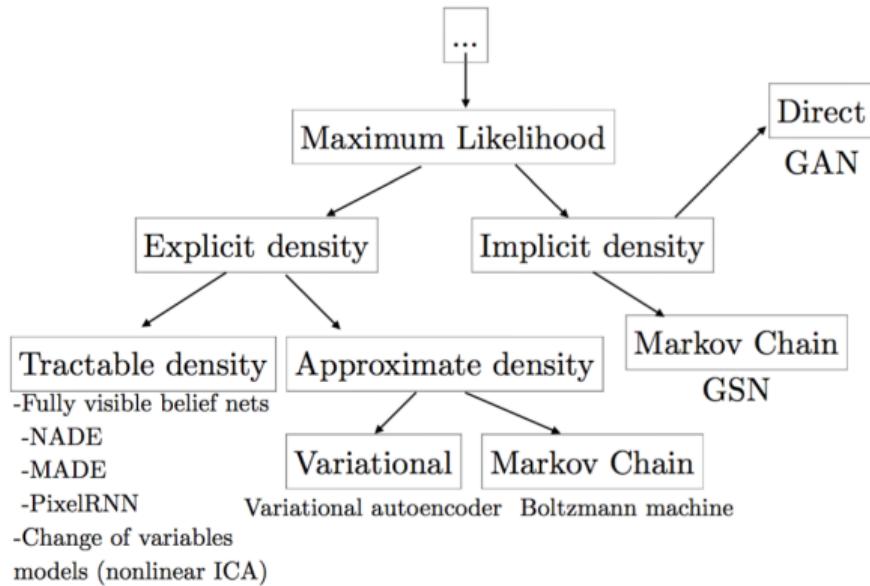
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Recent works look at combining these methods: e.g. Adversarial Autoencoders (Makhzani 2015), PixelVAE (Gulrajani 2016) and PixelGAN Autoencoders (Makhzani 2017)



Source: Ian Goodfellow, NIPS 2016 Tutorial: Generative Adversarial Networks