

Deriving Optimal Discriminator

Derivation Steps

1

Fix generator G , optimize D

$$\max_D V(D, G)$$



2

Calculus of variations

$$\partial V / \partial D(x) = 0$$



3

Solve for optimal D

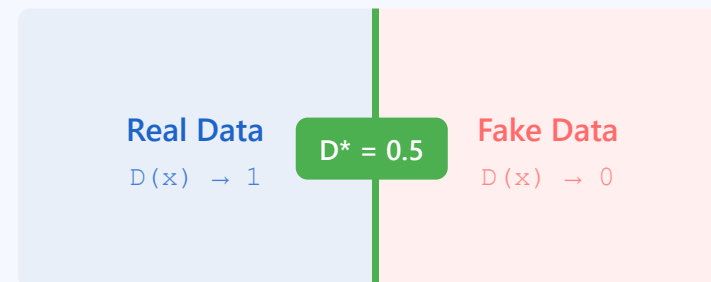
$$p_{\text{data}}(x) / D(x) = p_g(x) / (1 - D(x))$$

✓ Optimal Discriminator

Key Insights

- Sigmoid activation natural choice
- Binary cross-entropy loss
- Depends on density ratio
- Neural network approximation

Decision Boundary



At equilibrium: $p_g = p_{\text{data}}$

$$D^*(\mathbf{x}) = p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) / (p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + p_g(\mathbf{x}))$$