

# Data Science Lab

## Learning Latent Space Representations

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# f-GAN: Generative Training via f-Divergence Minimization

- Generalize GANs by minimizing **f-divergences** between real and generated distributions.
  - More stable training and theoretical flexibility.

For a given f-divergence:

$$D_f(P \parallel Q) = \int_X q(x) f\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}\right) dx$$

With its convex conjugate, the f-GAN objective reduces to solving the following:

$$\min_G \max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_{\text{data}}} [f^*(D(x))] - \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_G} [D(x)]$$

- Key f-Divergences in f-GANs: Jensen-Shannon, Kullback-Leibler, and Reverse Kullback-Leibler

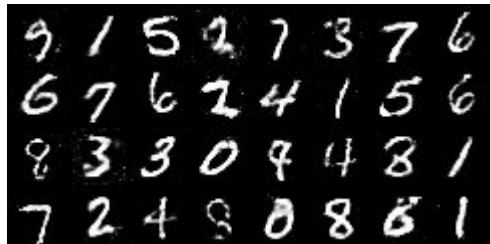
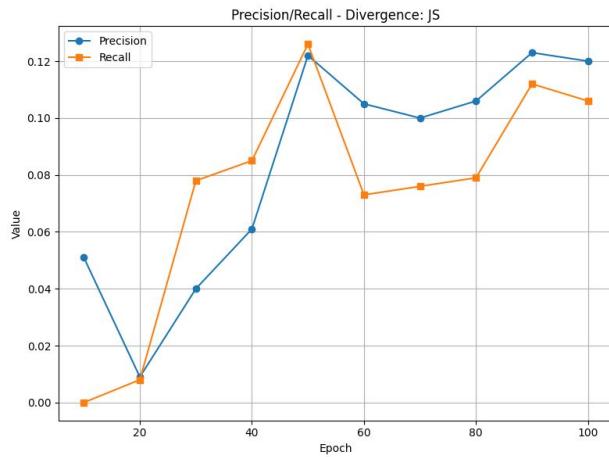
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- **Jensen-Shannon:** Balanced, symmetric measure; commonly used in standard GANs
- **Kullback-Leibler:** Focuses on full coverage of real data distribution; prone to model collapse.
- **Reverse KL:** Emphasizes support matching; avoids model collapse but may produce blurry samples. Prone to mode collapse.

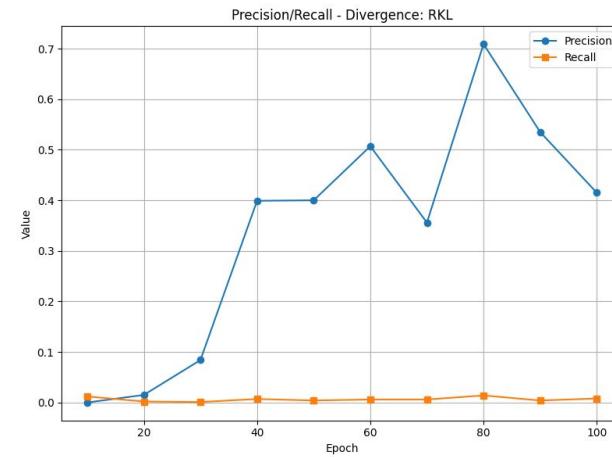
KL/RKL are numerically unstable due to exponentials in the loss.

=> **Apply stabilization techniques (gradient clipping, clamping discriminator outputs...)**

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Jensen-Shannon



Reverse Kullback-Leibler 4

# Discriminator Rejection Sampling (Azadi et al., 2018)

**Goal:** Enhance GAN sample quality by filtering generated data (**post training**)

**Key Principle:** Accept samples based on discriminator confidence

$$D^*(x) = \frac{p_{data}(x)}{p_{data}(x) + p_g(x)} \Rightarrow \frac{D^*(x)}{1 - D^*(x)} = \frac{p_{data}(x)}{p_g(x)} \Rightarrow P_{accept}(x) = \frac{D(x)}{1 - D(x)}/M$$

**Methods implemented:** DRS and DRS with Soft-Truncation

**Intuition:**

- Keep samples with high discriminator confidence
- Remove unrealistic generations without retraining the model

# Discriminator Rejection Sampling (Azadi et al., 2018)

**Data:** generator  $\mathbf{G}$  and discriminator  $\mathbf{D}$

**Result:** Filtered samples from  $\mathbf{G}$

$D^* \leftarrow \text{KeepTraining}(D);$

$\bar{M} \leftarrow \text{BurnIn}(\mathbf{G}, D^*);$

$\text{samples} \leftarrow \emptyset;$

**while**  $|\text{samples}| < N$  **do**

$x \leftarrow \text{GetSample}(\mathbf{G});$

$\text{ratio} \leftarrow e^{\tilde{D}^*(x)};$

$\bar{M} \leftarrow \text{Maximum}(\bar{M}, \text{ratio});$

$p \leftarrow \sigma(\hat{F}(x, \bar{M}, \epsilon, \gamma));$

$\psi \leftarrow \text{RandomUniform}(0,1);$

**if**  $\psi \leq p$  **then**

    Append( $X$ ,  $\text{samples}$ );

**end**

**end**

$$\hat{F}(x) = \tilde{D}^*(x) - \tilde{D}_M^* - \log(1 - e^{\tilde{D}^*(x) - \tilde{D}_M^* - \varepsilon}) - \gamma$$

⇒  $\gamma$  controls overall acceptance rate in

- **if too high:** almost no samples accepted (**model collapses**)
- **if too low:** almost all samples accepted (**no correction**)

⇒ Poor tuning of  $\gamma$  makes results **unstable or diverging**

⇒ Still calibrating the parameter to achieve stable convergence.

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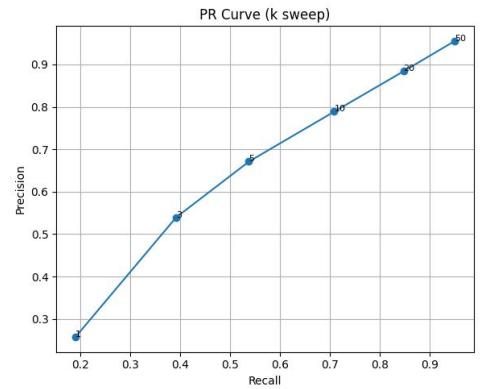
Method	Div	FID	Precision	Recall
DRS only	JS	47.7	0.61	0.61
DRS /w Soft-Truncation	JS	59.7	0.67	0.53



(For 1k real and 10k fake)

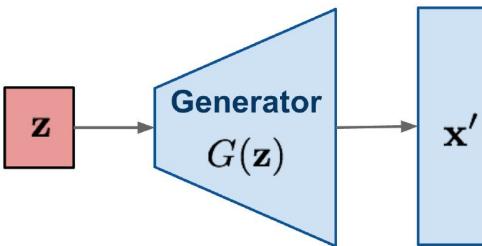
## Observations:

- DRS /w Soft-Truncation **increases** precision but reduces **recall**
- and **higher FID** suggests that this stronger filtering **discards too many valid sample**



# Soft Truncation - Impact on Precision and Recall

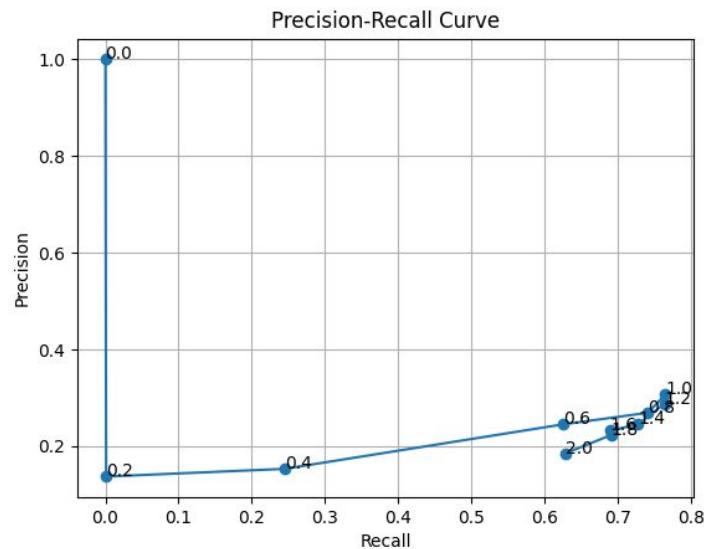
$$z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I)$$



$\Psi = 0$

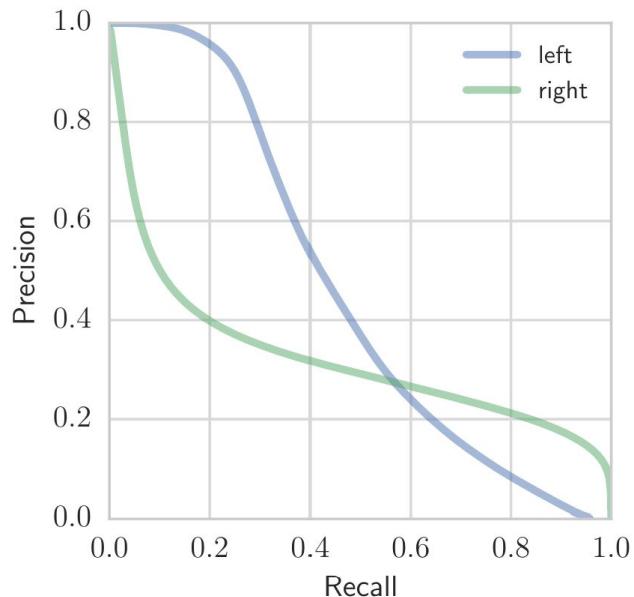
$\Psi = 1$

$\Psi = 2$

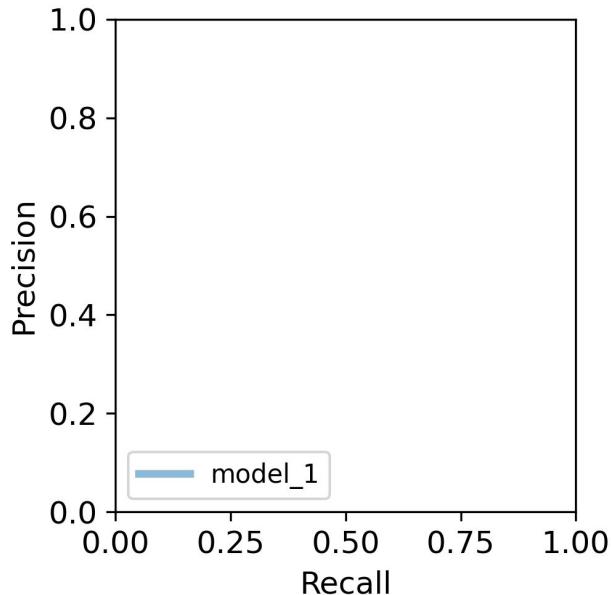


# PR curve - JS GAN

We would like...



We have



*Assessing Generative Models via  
Precision and Recall, Sajjadi et al.*

## Next steps

- Experiment with alternative divergences
- After DRS : Metropolis-Hasting ? Adaptive truncation ?
- Test soft truncation across all f-GANs (KL to boost recall, RKL to boost precision)
- Explore Gaussian Mixtures