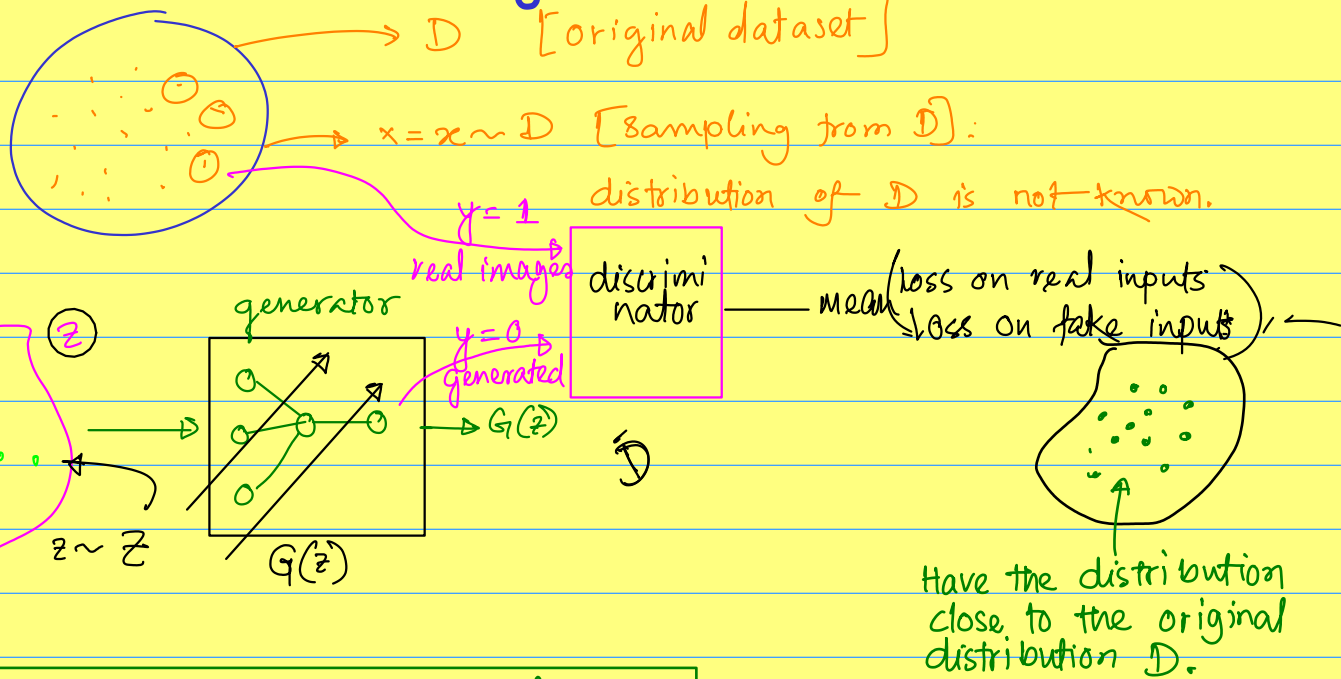
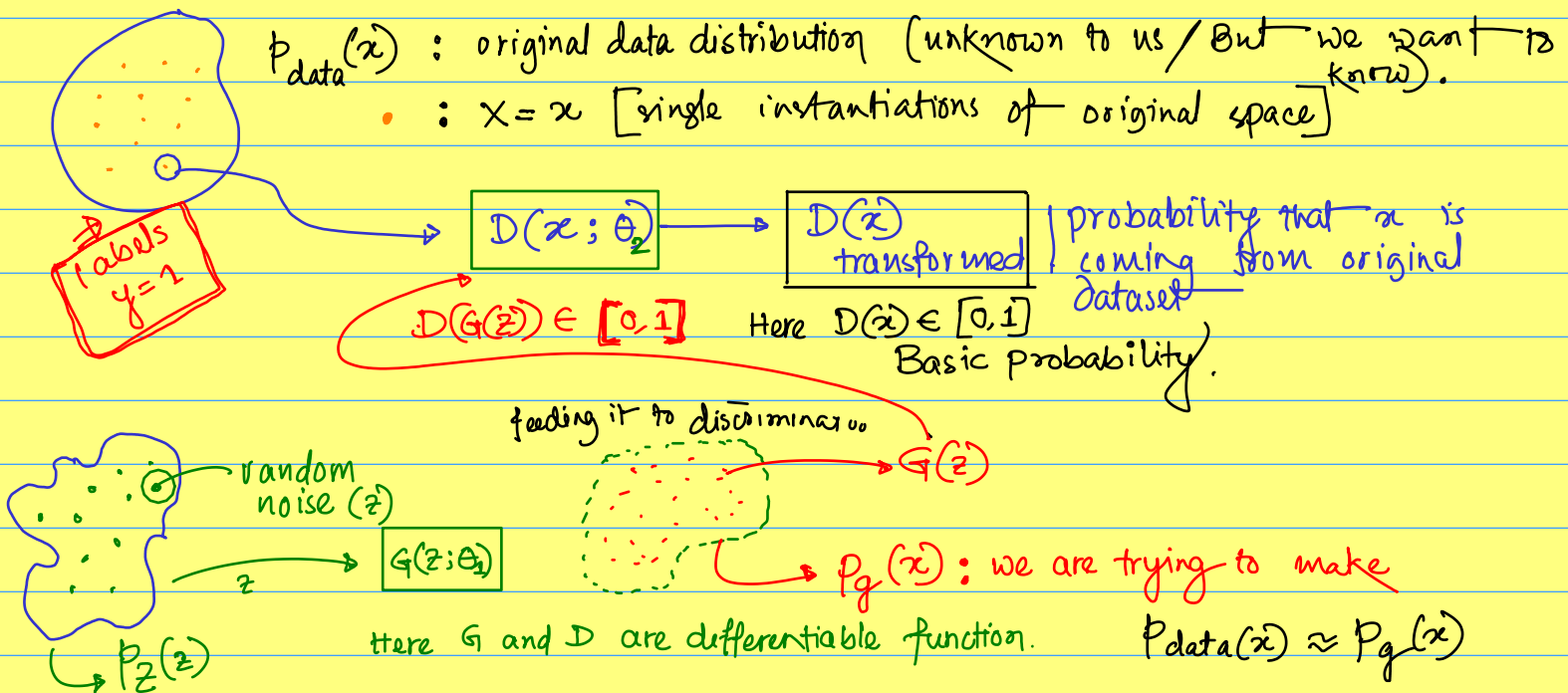


Understanding loss Function of GAN.



Basic Conventions to understand loss function:



Loss function

$$L(\hat{y}, y) = [y \log \hat{y} + (1-y) \log(1-\hat{y})]$$

Loss contribution from real images:

Label for the Original data coming from $p_{data}(x)$ will be $y=1$ and for the output produced by the discriminator $D(x)$ the labels will be $\hat{y} = D(x)$.

So the amount of loss from the real images will be

$$L(\hat{y}, y) = L(D(x), 1) = [1 \cdot \log D(x) + 0 \cdot \log(1-D(x))] = \log(D(x))$$

⊕ Loss contribution from the generated images:

For data coming from the generator $G(z)$, the ground truth is $y=0$ and prediction $\hat{y} = D(G(z))$. Therefore

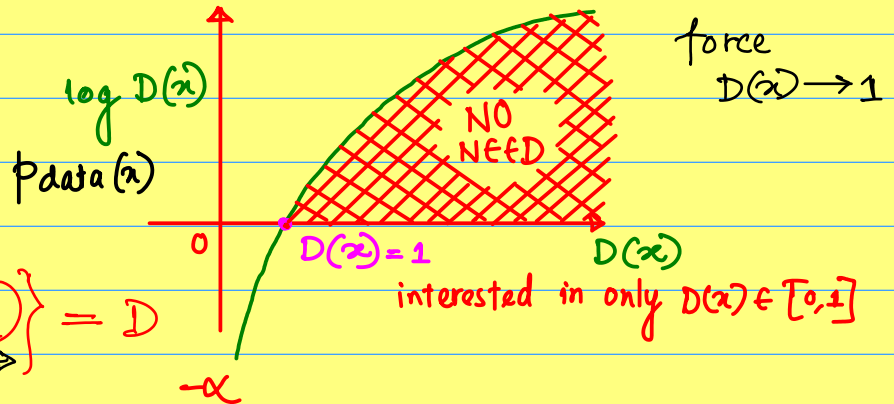
$$L(D(G(z)), 0) = [(1-0) \log(1 - D(G(z)))] \\ = \log(1 - D(G(z))) \quad \text{--- (B)}$$

⊕ Objective of the Discriminator: We want to maximize both the A and B

(A) $[\log(D(x))]$

(B) $[\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$

log plot:



Therefore the objective function

$$\max \left\{ \log(D(x)) + \log(1 - D(G(z))) \right\} = D$$

objective of generator: fool the discriminator
 $D(G(z)) \rightarrow 1$

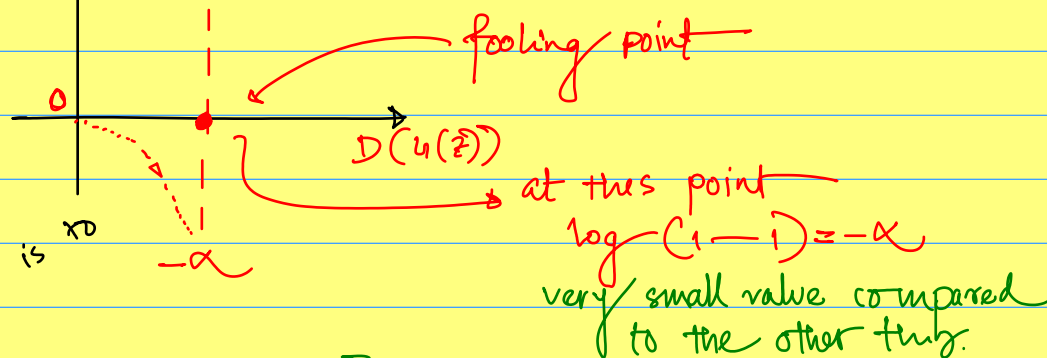
(target of discriminator)
 and force
 $D(G(z)) \rightarrow 0$

Not at all dependent on the generator.

Look at the second term.

$$\log(1 - D(G(z)))$$

if $D(G(z)) = 1$ then it is fooled.



So here for generator the aim is to min

$$\log(D(x)) + \log(1 - D(G(z)))$$

there is no gen term here.

produce the data to the original data distribution.

Therefore combining both of the optimization task we get —

$$\min_G \max_D \left\{ \log(D(x)) + \log(1 - D(G(z))) \right\} \text{ — (C)}$$

Important: \oplus when generator is considered ^(minimized) only the $\log(1 - D(G(z)))$ term will be considered. i.e. only the parameters of $G(z)$ will be updated.

\oplus when the discriminator is ^(maximized) optimized, then both of the term will be considered. i.e. Both parameters of D and G will be updated.

The above equation (C) is only for a single value or point. But for all the points in the dataset of n points. It will be something like

$$\min_G \max_D \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log(D(x_i)) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log(1 - D(G(z_i)))$$

which can be re written as the expectation value

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_{\text{data}}(x)} \log(D(x)) + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim P_z(z)} \log(1 - D(G(z)))$$