

# Machine Intelligence & Deep Learning Workshop

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## Generative Adversarial Networks



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# Agenda

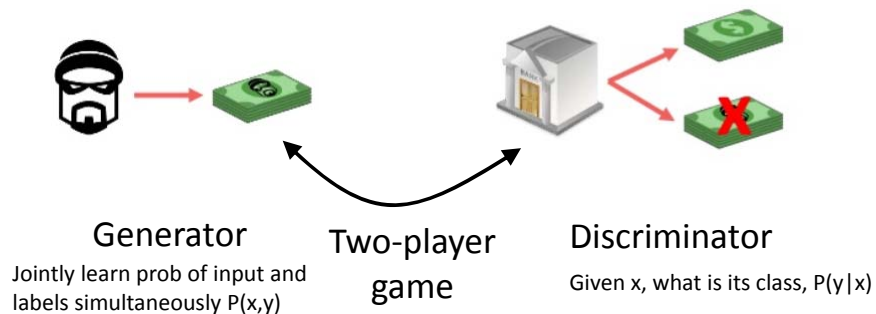
- **Wed, June 27**
  - 9-10:30am Regression and Classification
  - 10:30-10:45pm Break
  - 10:45-12:15pm Boosting and SVM
  - 12:15-1:30pm Lunch
  - 1:30-3:30pm Neural Networks and Dimensionality Reduction
  - 3:30-5pm Hands-on Python and Machine Learning
- **Thur, June 28**
  - 9-10:30am Introduction to deep learning
  - 10:30-10:45pm Break
  - 10:45-12:15pm Convolutional Neural Networks
  - 12:15-1:30pm Lunch
  - 1:30-3:30pm Region and pixel-level convolutions
  - 3:30-5pm Hands-on CNNs
- **Fri, June 29**
  - 9-10:30am Recurrent neural networks
  - 10:30-10:45pm Break
  - 10:45-12:15pm Language and Vision
  - 12:15-1:30pm Lunch
  - 1:30-3:30pm Graph convolutional neural networks; **Generative adversarial networks**
  - 3:30-5pm Hands-on regional CNNs, RNNs

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## Intuition

- Bad guy analyzes real money and tries to make counterfeit bills
- Bank considers itself an expert at classifying money as real or counterfeit



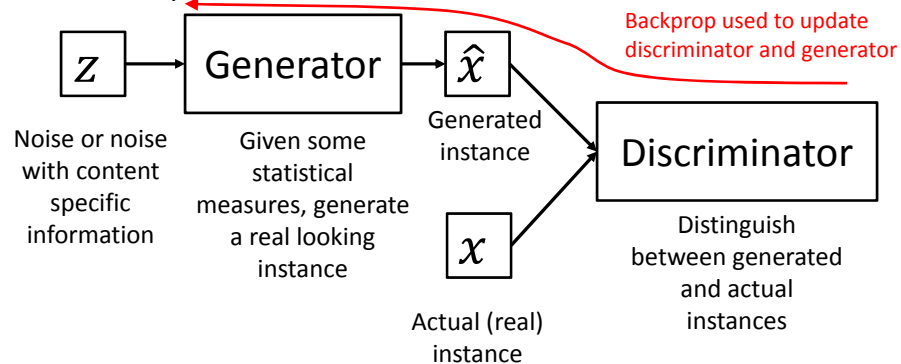
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## Structure of GANs

- Two competing neural networks:
  - Generator tries to generate realistic samples to fool discriminator.
  - Discriminator tries to distinguish between real and actual samples.

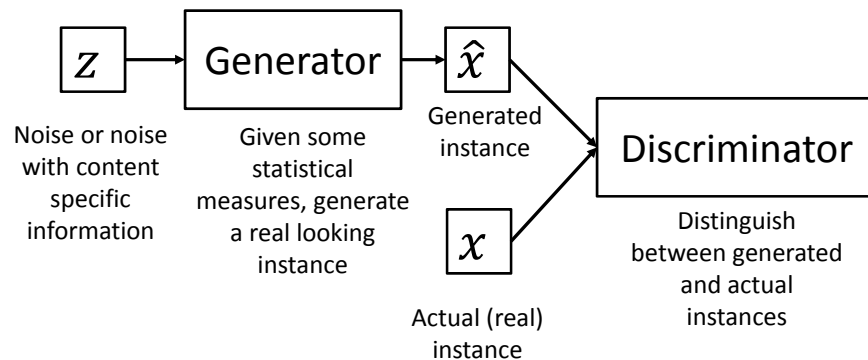


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## Structure of GANs

- We desire to continue training until:
  - The Generator exactly matches the true data representation.
  - The Discriminator can no longer tell the difference between generated and actual samples.

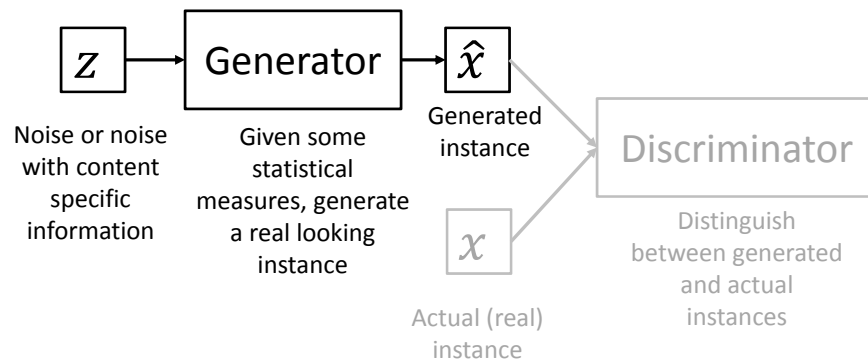


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## Structure of GANs

- When done, we generally toss the Discriminator.
- The Generator is now useful for data augmentation, unsupervised training, sample generation, sample understanding, ...

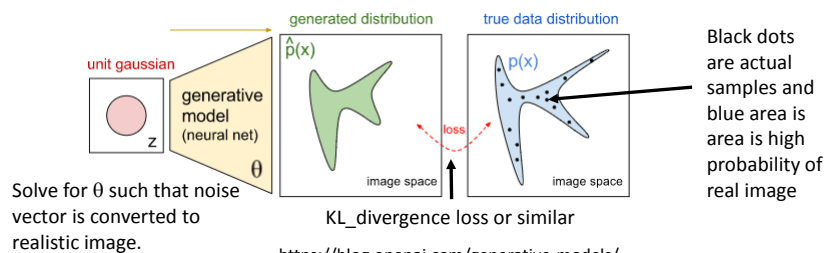


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## What is Going On??

- Pick any domain, say images, sentences, sounds, etc; use millions of such samples to train a model to generate data to look as if it came from the original distribution.
- Unsupervised as no need for GT collection.
- Eventually GANs might be able to automatically discover and learn features of our world in an unsupervised fashion- once properly grouped only a few labelled exemplars are needed.

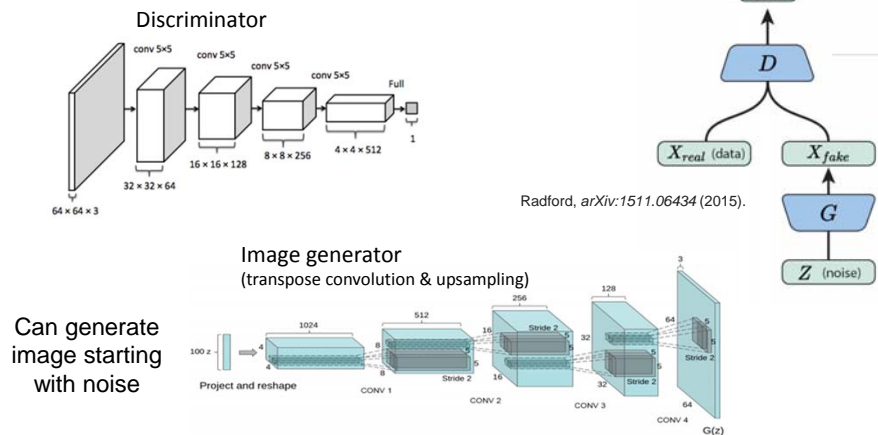


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## Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) for Image Generation

- Jointly learn Discriminator (real vs. fake) and (image) Generator.

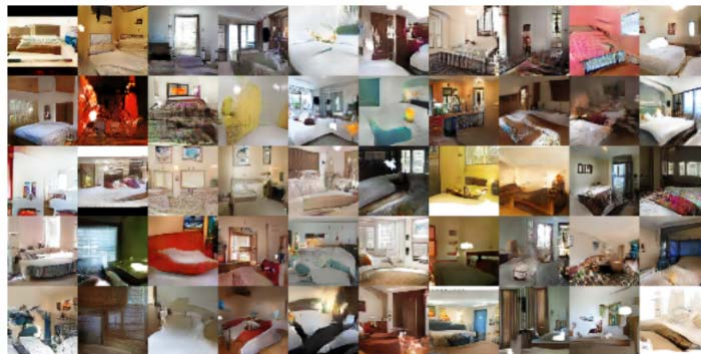


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## GANs For Image Generation

- GANs have outperformed other statistical methods at image generation.



“Unsupervised Representation Learning with Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Networks”

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# Seminal Paper

<http://papers.nips.cc/paper/5423-generative-adversarial-nets.pdf>

## Generative Adversarial Nets

Ian J. Goodfellow,<sup>1</sup> Jean Pouget-Abadie,<sup>2</sup> Mehdi Mirza,<sup>1</sup> Bing Xu,<sup>1</sup> David Warde-Farley,<sup>1</sup>  
 Sherjil Ozair,<sup>1</sup> Aaron Courville,<sup>1</sup> Yoshua Bengio<sup>1</sup>  
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### Abstract

We propose a new framework for estimating generative models via an adversarial process, in which we simultaneously train two models: a generative model  $G$  that captures the data distribution, and a discriminative model  $D$  that estimates the probability that a sample came from the training data rather than  $G$ . The training procedure for  $G$  is to maximize the probability of  $D$  making a mistake. This framework corresponds to a minimax two-player game. In the space of arbitrary functions  $G$  and  $D$ , a unique solution exists, with  $G$  recovering the training data distribution and  $D$  equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  everywhere. In the case where  $G$  and  $D$  are defined by multilayer perceptrons, the entire system can be trained with backpropagation.

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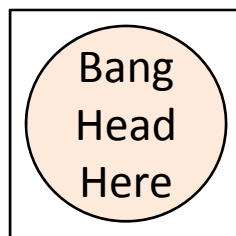
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## Goodfellow et al. '14

- Train discriminator,  $D$  to maximize probability of detecting real vs. fake images.
- Train generator,  $G$  to minimize  $\log(1-D(G(z)))$ .

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$$

Stress Reduction Kit



Kit Directions:

1. Place kit on firm surface
2. Follow directions in circle of kit
3. Repeat step 2 as necessary, or unconscious
4. If unconscious, cease stress reduction activity.

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Real data                      Fake data

- Discriminator,  $D$  trained to output a 0 when fake input, 1 when real. Discriminator  $D$  output values in range  $\{0:1\}$ .
- Generator,  $G$  wants to trick discriminator, so  $G$  is trained such that when output of generator,  $G(z)$  is passed into discriminator  $D(G(z))$ , then the discriminator gets fooled and outputs a 1.

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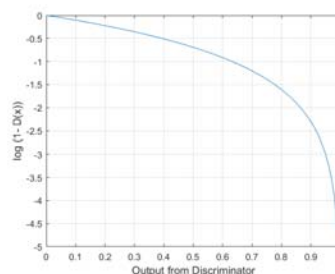
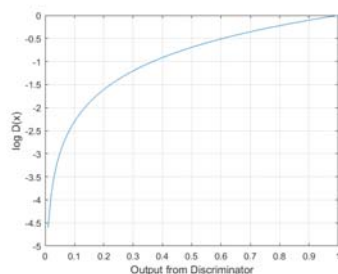
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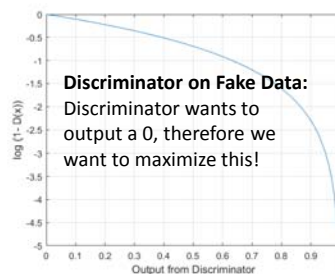
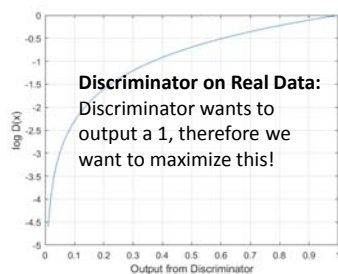
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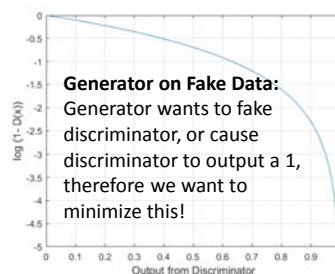
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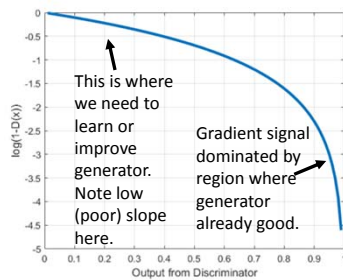
# Generator Loss in Practice

Note: this is for generator loss only- discriminator loss does not change.

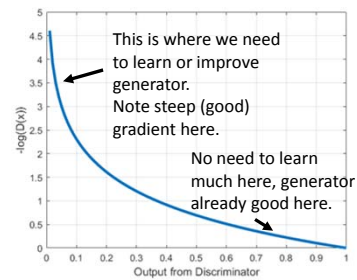
- Instead of training generator,  $G$  to minimize  $\log(1-D(G(z)))$ ;
- train generator,  $G$  to maximize  $-\log(D(G(z)))$ ;

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$$

$$\max_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [-\log(D(G(z)))]$$



**Generator on Fake Data:**  
Generator wants to fake discriminator, or cause discriminator to output a 1.



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# Training

for number of training iterations do  
 for  $k$  steps do // Step 1: First train discriminator  
 • Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $\{z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}\}$  from noise prior  $p_g(z)$ .  
 • Sample minibatch of  $m$  examples  $\{x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$  from data generating distribution  $p_{data}(x)$ .  
 • Update the discriminator by ascending its stochastic gradient:  

$$\nabla_{\theta_d} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m [\log D_{\theta_d}(x^{(i)}) + \log(1 - D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z^{(i)})))]$$
  
 end for // Step 2: Train generator  
 • Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $\{z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}\}$  from noise prior  $p_g(z)$ .  
 • Update the generator by ascending its stochastic gradient (improved objective):  

$$\nabla_{\theta_g} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log(D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z^{(i)})))$$
  
 end for

Some folks use  $k=1$ , others use  $k>1$ . See Wasserstein GAN paper to get around this problem.

Stanford cs231n: Lecture 13

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RESEARCH

## An introduction to Generative Adversarial Networks (with code in TensorFlow)

August 24, 2016 - Research



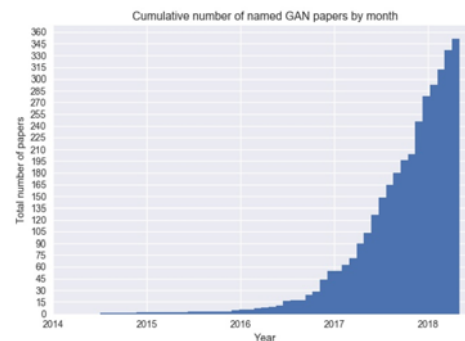
- Introductory description as well as TensorFlow code with 1D Gaussian example.
  - Handful of existing GAN projects.
- <http://blog.aylien.com/introduction-generative-adversarial-networks-code-tensorflow/>
- <https://blog.openai.com/generative-models/>

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## Other Good Resources

- Listing of hundreds of GAN papers:
  - The GAN Zoo-  
<https://github.com/hindupuravinash/the-gan-zoo>
- Tips and tricks for training GANs:
  - <https://github.com/soumith/ganhacks>



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## Training Difficulties

- Finding Nash equilibrium (each player feels like they are in a local optimum) difficult.
- Mode collapse- the generator starts to produce several copies of the same (good) instance.
- Oscillation between solutions.
- Initially, hard for generator, easy for discriminator.

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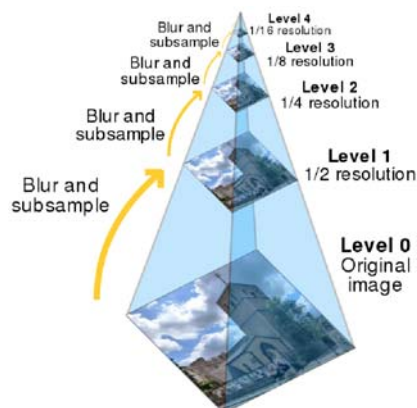
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## LAPGAN

Laplacian Pyramid GAN, Denton et al. (2015)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.05751>

- GAN creates discriminator and generator.
- After training, discard discriminator
- Generator creates natural images up to 64×64 pixels.



[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pyramid\\_\(image\\_processing\)#/media/File:Image\\_pyramid.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pyramid_(image_processing)#/media/File:Image_pyramid.svg)

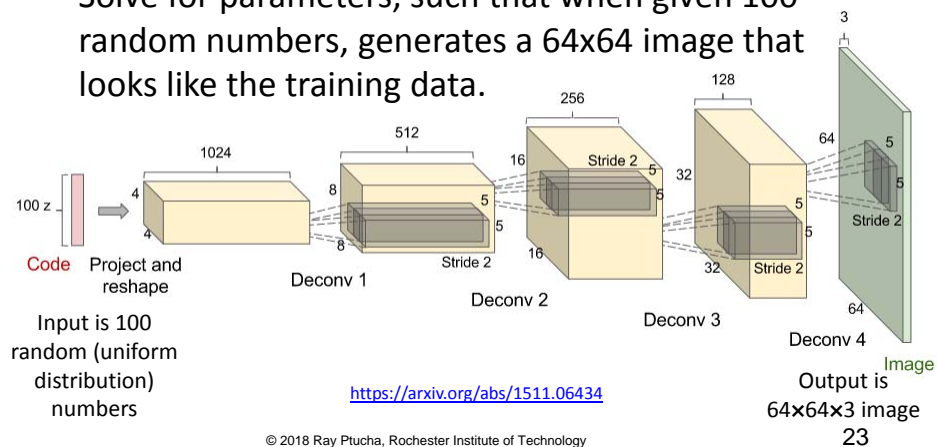
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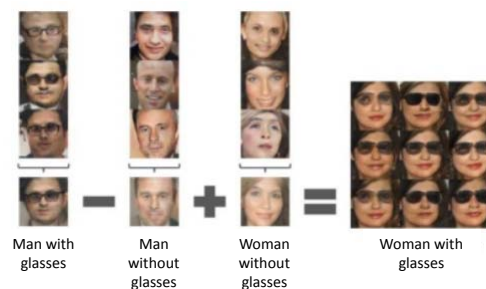
# DCGAN

Deep Convolutional GAN, Radford et al. (2016)

- Fully convolutional deep CNN generator.
- Solve for parameters, such that when given 100 random numbers, generates a 64x64 image that looks like the training data.



## DCGAN- Vector Arithmetic



## Improved Techniques for Training GANs, Salimans et al. (2016)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.03498>

- Techniques to encourage convergence.
- Very difficult as cost functions are not convex, parameters are continuous, and parameter space is high dimensional.
- Modified cost function to encourage better generator.
- Minibatch discrimination to avoid mode collapse:
  - Compute feature statistics across the entire minibatch (not only from individual images). Images generated from each minibatch will exhibit similar statistics.
- Replace batch norm with virtual batch normalization (which uses a reference batch).

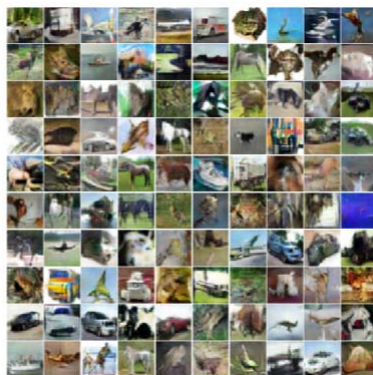
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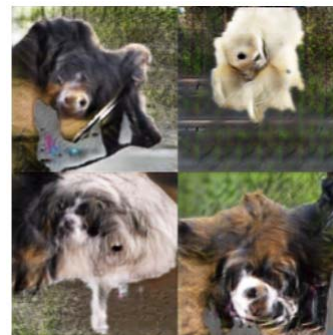
- Use human judges to assess quality as well as introduce inception score.



CIFAR10 generated images



SVHN  
generated  
images



ImageNet generated images  
(first to generate 128×128  
images, but note low quality  
due to large number of classes  
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## Improved Techniques for Training GANs, Salimans et al. (2016)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.03498>

- Also introduced a method to generate a label along with the generated image.
- This is useful for data augmentation on datasets with few samples.
- For example, they achieved 99.14% MNIST accuracy with only 10 labeled examples per class (most approaches use 60K training samples)

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## InfoGAN

Chen et al. (2016)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.03657>

- Steering or encourage generator to learn specific representations
- Disentangled representations (facial expression, eye color, hairstyle, glasses, ...)
- Uses noise,  $z$  and latent code  $c$ .

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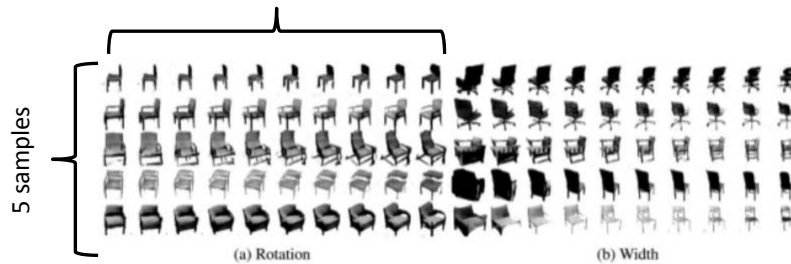
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10 different variations- this is done by doing a sweep on the input code to the generator



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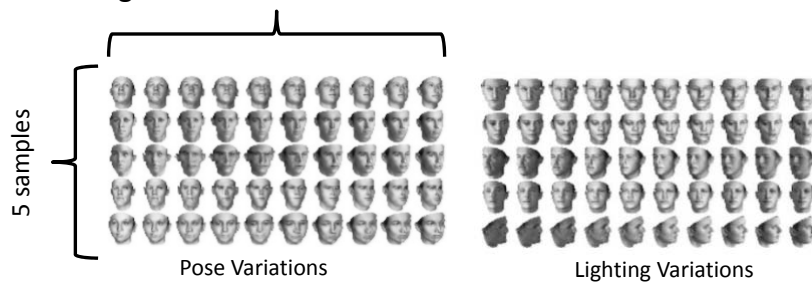
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# iGAN



Source: Gif generated from original video (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-4dtn8GQQQ>).

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# cGAN (conditional GAN)



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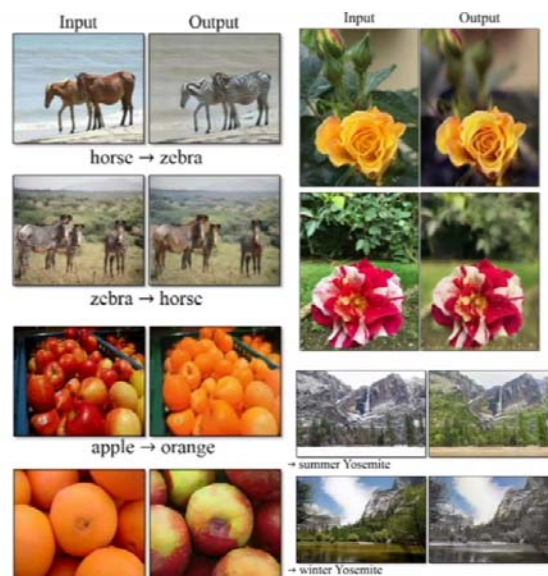
# Super resolution



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# Source to Target Domain Transfer



CycleGAN, Zhu et al., 2017

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## Generator Evaluation

- GANs create generator and discriminator.
- After training, discriminator often thrown away.
- How do you know which resulting generator implementation is best?

Is this a good image generator output?



How about this?



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## Generator Evaluation

- Can ask humans to evaluate and rank output from several methods.
- Salimans et al. introduced the concept of an inception score.

### Improved Techniques for Training GANs

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#### Abstract

We present a variety of new architectural features and training procedures that we apply to the generative adversarial networks (GANs) framework. We focus on two applications of GANs: semi-supervised learning, and the generation of images

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1606.03498.pdf>

Code: [https://github.com/openai/improved-gan/tree/master/inception\\_score](https://github.com/openai/improved-gan/tree/master/inception_score)

10 Jun 2016

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## Assessment of Image Quality of Generated Images

- With no specific objective function which measures image quality, we need to resort to other methods.
- The discriminator should ideally be able to tell real from fake images, but it is easily tricked, and it itself is part of what is being trained.
- Human evaluators can look at images and manually label fake from real.
- Salimans'16 used Mturk to evaluate performance.

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<http://infinite-chamber-35121.herokuapp.com/cifar-minibatch/>

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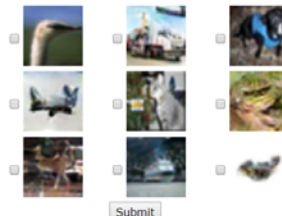
We present you pictures that are either computer generated or are real photographs. Your task is to choose which one are which.

Images contain pictures of airplanes, automobiles, birds, cats, deer, dogs, frogs, horses, ships, and trucks. If you cannot clearly recognize what's the class of the object, then it's likely to be a generated image.

SET CHECKBOX ON IMAGES THAT LOOK LIKE GENERATED BY A COMPUTER.

TASK IS HARD. SOMETIMES, IT MIGHT BE IMPOSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH REAL IMAGES FROM FAKE.

WE MEASURE HUMAN LIMITS ON THIS TASK. DO YOUR BEST AND YOUR HITS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

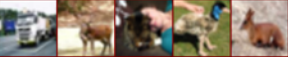


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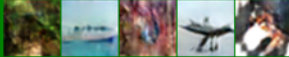
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Instructions

Examples of Real Images



Examples of Fake Images



We marked with green the images generate by computer (YOU SHOULD SET CHECKBOX FOR ALL OF THEM)  
and with red all coming from scans of digits (DON'T SET CHECKBOX ON ANY OF THEM).

Please press Next.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Your score on this question is **6/9**

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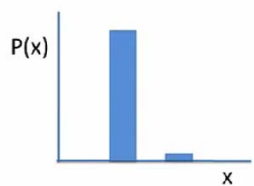
## Inception Score

- Use any ImageNet model (such as Google's Inception) to classify an image.
- For each image, a  $p(y|x)$ , where  $x$  is the image, and  $y$  is the class distribution is generated.
  - We expect for real images,  $p(y|x)$  will concentrate on a few classes; and for fake images,  $p(y|x)$  will be more random.
  - As such, we can look at the entropy of  $p(y|x)$

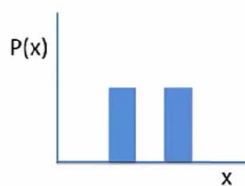
## Entropy

$$Entropy = - \sum_j p(x_j) \log_2(p(x_j))$$

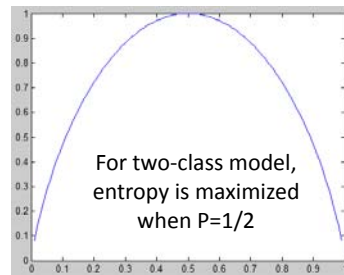
- Entropy is a measure of uncertainty.
- We anticipate  $P(y|x)$  will have low entropy for real images.
- We anticipate  $P(y|x)$  will have high entropy for fake images.



Low Entropy



High Entropy



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## KL Divergence

$$D_{KL}(p||q) = - \sum_j p(x_j) \left( \log_2(p(x_j)) - \log_2(q(x_j)) \right)$$

- Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence is a measure of how one probability distribution differs from a second.
- For example, given an actual distribution, and an estimate, KL divergence will measure the information lost by using the estimate.
- Generally, you are better off using the distribution with the least information lost.

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Code: [https://github.com/openai/improved-gan/tree/master/inception\\_score](https://github.com/openai/improved-gan/tree/master/inception_score)

```

preds = np.concatenate(preds, 0)
scores = []
for i in range(splits):
    part = preds[(i * preds.shape[0] // splits):(i + 1) * preds.shape[0] // splits, :]
    kl = part * (np.log(part) - np.log(np.expand_dims(np.mean(part, 0), 0)))
    kl = np.mean(np.sum(kl, 1))
    scores.append(np.exp(kl))
return np.mean(scores), np.std(scores)

```

Should be  $n \times C$ , where  $n$  is # samples,  $C$  is # classes

Extract  $1/10^{\text{th}}$  of preds at a time  
note:  $a//b$  is  $\text{int}(a/b)$

For  $i=0:9$

Part  $\times (\log(\text{part}) - \log(\text{mean}(\text{part})))$   
Mean is done over all samples, one mean for each class, so get  $1 \times C$ , which is expanded to  $(n/10) \times C$   
kl is  $(n/10) \times C$

scores will be  $n \times 1$

mean(sum(kl)), mean across classes  
kl is  $(n/10) \times 1$

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## Plug & Play Generative Networks: Conditional Iterative Generation of Images in Latent Space

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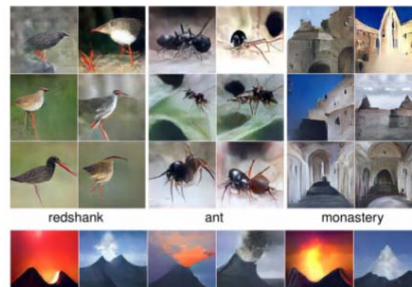
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### Abstract

Generating high-resolution, photo-realistic images has been a long-standing goal in machine learning. Recently, Nguyen et al. [37] showed one interesting way to synthesize novel images by performing gradient ascent in the latent space of a generator network to maximize the activations of one or multiple neurons in a separate classifier network.

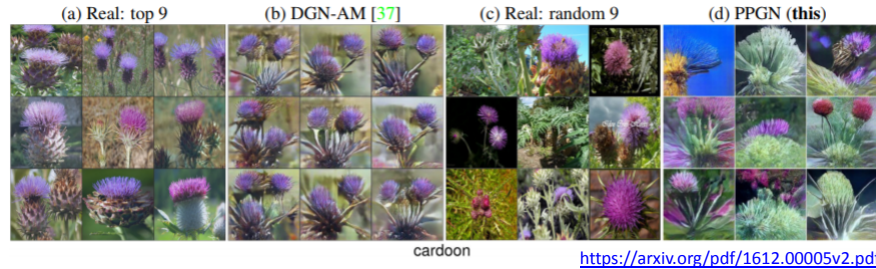


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## Class “cardoon” from ImageNet



The top 9 images from ImageNet that maximally activate the “cardoon” class.

DGN-AM; a generative method which is tasked to generate “cardoon” class.

9 random “cardoon” images from ImageNet.

PPGN; this paper’s generative method induces more diversity.

## General Math

Metropolis-adjusted Langevin algorithm converted to a Markov chain Monte Carlo update rule:

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + \epsilon_1 \nabla \log p(x_t) + N(0, \epsilon_3^2) \quad (1)$$

$x_t$  input image

$x_{t+1}$  output image

$p(x_t)$  prob that  $x_t$  looks like a real image (softmax output).

Normal gradient ascent to generate new images, but add a noise term for randomness.

Update rule used in this paper:

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + \underbrace{\epsilon_1 \frac{\partial \log p(x_t)}{\partial x_t}}_{\text{Take a step from } x_t \text{ to } x_{t+1} \text{ in a direction such that } x_{t+1} \text{ looks more like a real image (from any class).}} + \underbrace{\epsilon_2 \frac{\partial \log p(y = y_c | x_t)}{\partial x_t}}_{\text{Take a step from } x_t \text{ to } x_{t+1} \text{ in a direction such that } x_{t+1} \text{ looks more like a real image from class } y_c.} + \underbrace{N(0, \epsilon_3^2)}_{\text{Add noise to encourage diversity in generated image.}} \quad (5)$$

Modified (1) for signal generation purposes.

Take a step from  $x_t$  to  $x_{t+1}$  in a direction such that  $x_{t+1}$  looks more like a real image (from any class).

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## Sampler Update Rule: $p(x)$

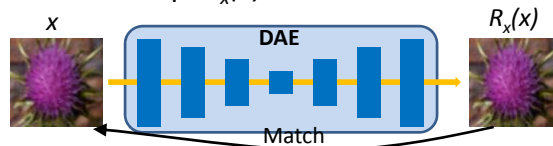
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- Probability image looks like a real image (from any class)
- Theorized that a Denoising Autoencoder (DAE) can approximate this step:  $R_x(x) - x$

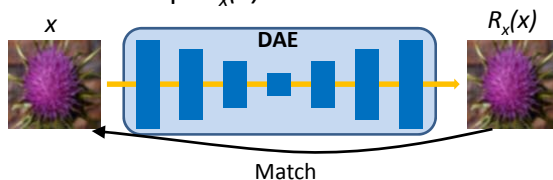


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- Modeling DAE in image space has two problems:
  1. Does not model distribution accurate enough
  2. Small update contributions
- Improvements suggest to first encode image to  $h$ , some image2vec encoded space (say fc6 from AlexNet).

Reduced dim space, just like bottleneck of DAE.

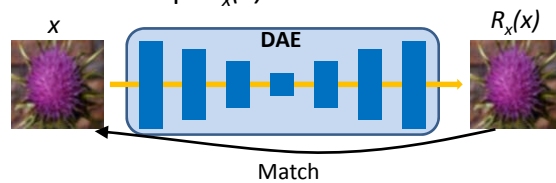
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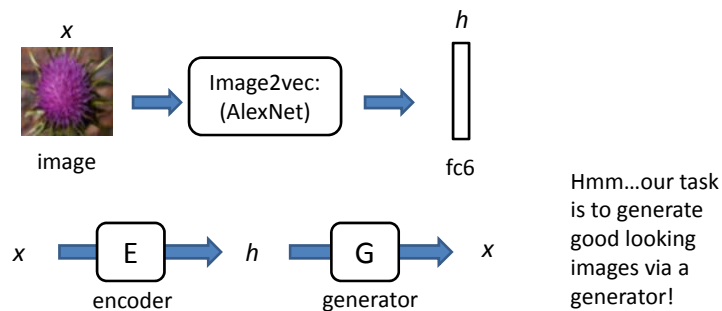


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- Empirical studies found that this did not work too well either, but modeling  $h$  via  $x$  seems to help.

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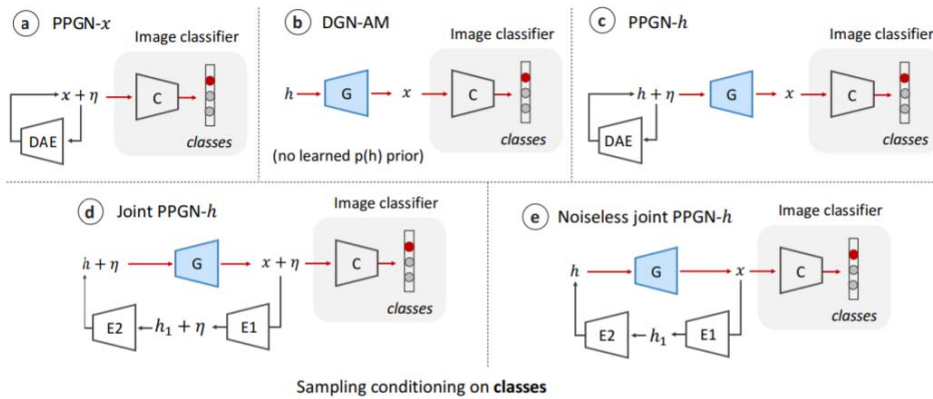


- Suggest to first encode image to  $h$ , some image2vec encoded space (say fc6 from AlexNet), then back to  $x$  (use generator).
- Empirical studies found that this did not work too well either, but modeling  $h$  via  $x$  seems to help.
- Try updating in  $h$  instead of  $x$ !

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## Several DAE Experiments



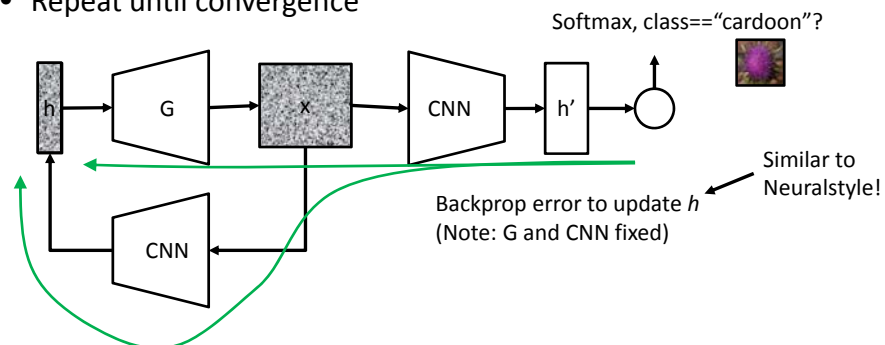
Many variants tried!

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## PPGN In Practice: Generate Images for a Certain Class

- Start with random  $h$ , compare generated class with desired
- Backprop error to  $h$  (fixed G and CNN), regenerate class,
- Repeat until convergence

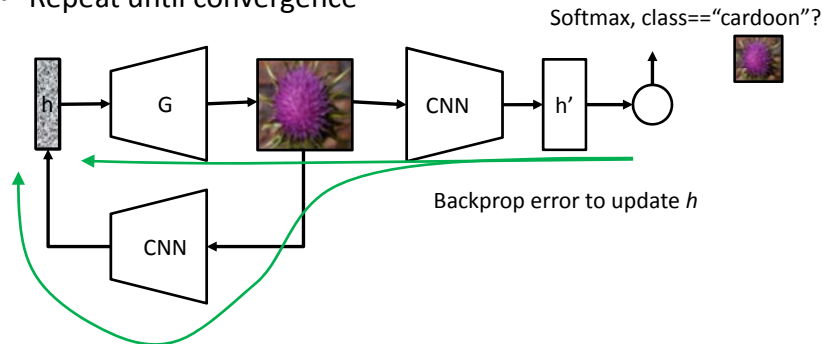


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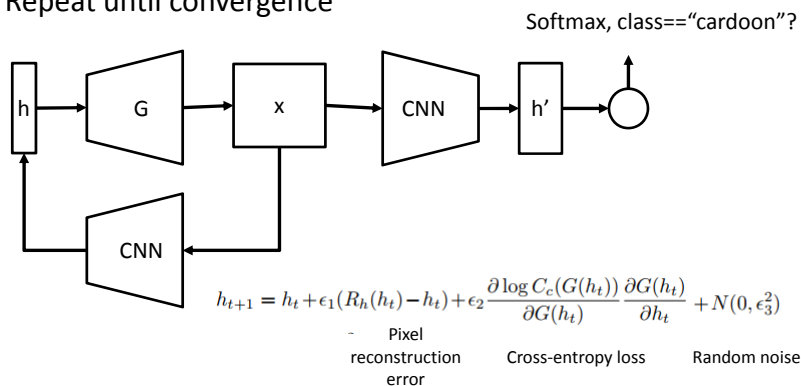


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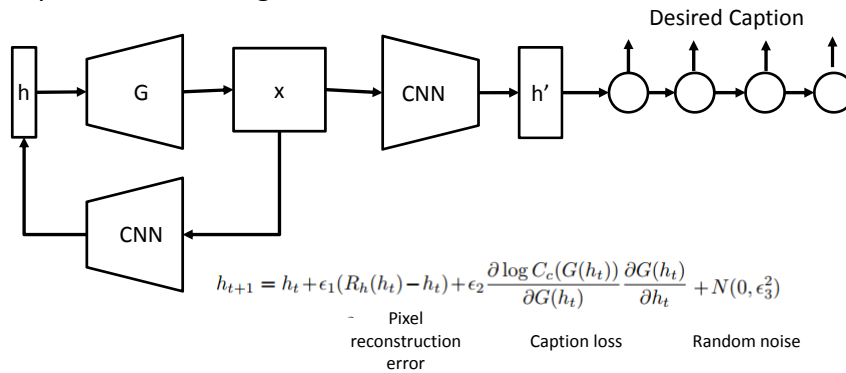


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## PPGN In Practice: Generate Images from a Caption

- Start with random  $h$ , compare generated caption with desired
- Backprop error to  $h$  (fixed  $G$  and CNN), regenerate caption,
- Repeat until convergence

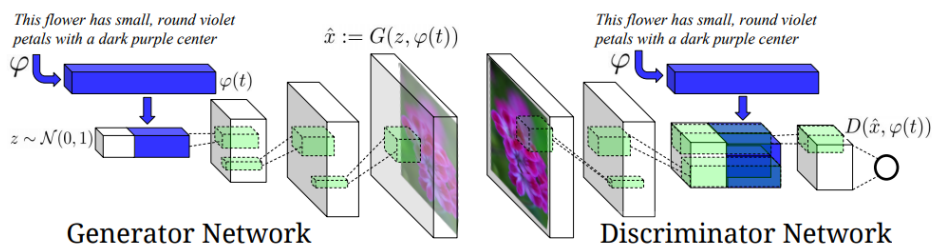


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## Alternate Method using GANS for Text2Image

Reed, Scott, et al. "Generative adversarial text to image synthesis." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1605.05396*(2016).



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## PROGRESSIVE GROWING OF GANS FOR IMPROVED QUALITY, STABILITY, AND VARIATION

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### ABSTRACT

We describe a new training methodology for generative adversarial networks. The key idea is to grow both the generator and discriminator progressively: starting from a low resolution, we add new layers that model increasingly fine details as training progresses. This both speeds the training up and greatly stabilizes it, allowing us to produce images of unprecedented quality, e.g., CELEBA images at  $1024^2$ . We also propose a simple way to increase the variation in generated images, and achieve a record inception score of 8.80 in unsupervised CIFAR10. Additionally, we describe several implementation details that are important for discouraging unhealthy competition between the generator and discriminator. Finally, we suggest a new metric for evaluating GAN results, both in terms of image quality and variation. As an additional contribution, we construct a higher-quality version of the CELEBA dataset.

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 $1024 \times 1024$

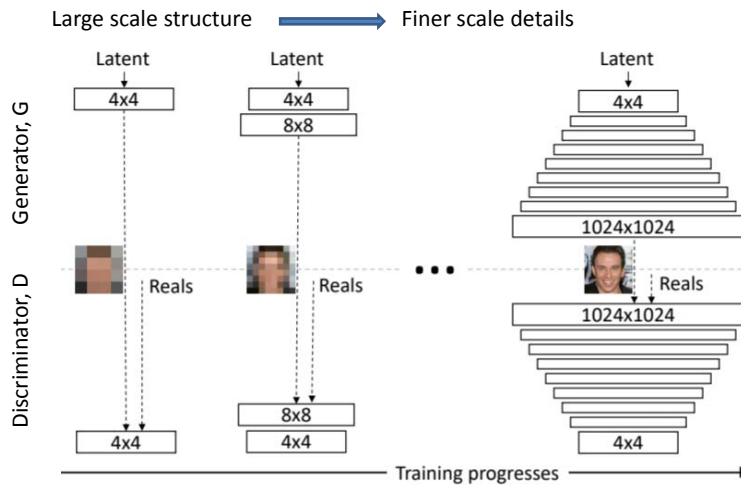
Progressive growing

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Latent space interpolations

# Progressing Growing of GANs

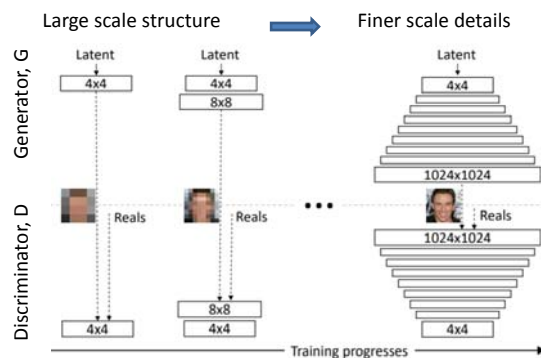
Start with low resolution, and then incrementally increase resolution.



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# Progressing Growing of GANs



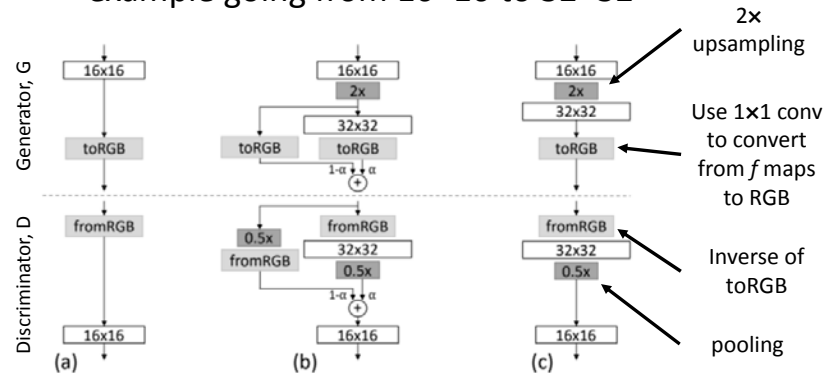
- G and D are mirror architectures, and both trained throughout the process.
- When done, G is used to create images from latent  $h \in \mathbb{R}^{512}$

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## Feathering from Lower to Higher Res

example going from  $16 \times 16$  to  $32 \times 32$



- During the transition (b), layers that operate on the higher resolution like a residual block, increase using weight  $\alpha$  linearly from 0 to 1 over time.
- When training the discriminator, real images are downsampled to match the current resolution of the network.

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## Normalization

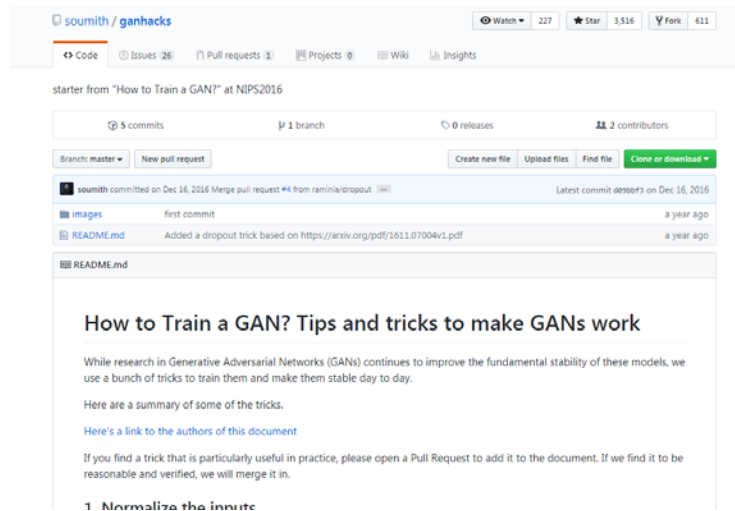
- Unhealthy competition between networks G and D are prone to the escalation of signal magnitudes.
- Prior works use batch normalization in the generator, and often also in the discriminator.
- This paper did not observe much covariance shift in GANs, and concludes batchnorm's benefit is really constraining signal magnitudes during training. Instead, this paper used:
  - Equalized Learning Rate- simple variation of He 2015 Xavier for ReLU applied at runtime.
  - Pixelwise normalization in generator- similar to local response normalization (Krizhevsky, 2012).

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# Training your own GAN?

<https://github.com/soumith/ganhacks>



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starter from "How to Train a GAN?" at NIPS2016

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soumith committed on Dec 16, 2016 Merge pull request #4 from ramhila/dropout

images first commit a year ago

README.md Added a dropout trick based on <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1611.07004v1.pdf> a year ago

### How to Train a GAN? Tips and tricks to make GANs work

While research in Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) continues to improve the fundamental stability of these models, we use a bunch of tricks to train them and make them stable day to day.

Here are a summary of some of the tricks.

[Here's a link to the authors of this document](#)

If you find a trick that is particularly useful in practice, please open a Pull Request to add it to the document. If we find it to be reasonable and verified, we will merge it in.

#### 1 Normalize the inputs

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