



# GAN - Theory and Applications

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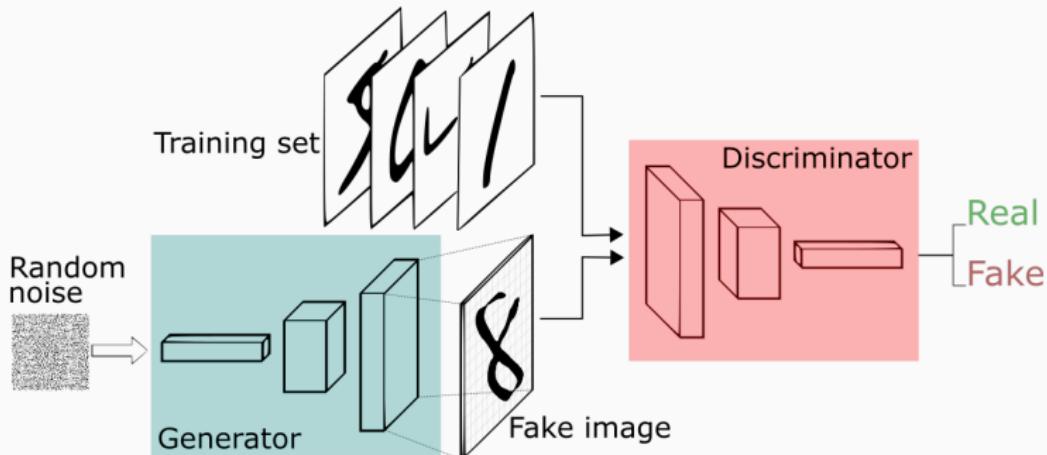
“Adversarial Training (also called GAN for Generative Adversarial Networks) is the most interesting idea in the last 10 years of ML.”

— Yann LeCun

# Generative Adversarial Networks

Two components, the **generator** and the **discriminator**:

- The **generator** G, aim is to capture the data distribution.
- The **discriminator** D, estimates the probability that a sample came from the training data rather than from G.



**Figure 1:** Credits: Silva

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# GANs - Discriminator

Intuitive explanation:

- **Discriminator** needs to:

- Correctly classify **real** data:

$$\max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)]. \quad (2)$$

- Correctly classify **wrong** data:

$$\max_D \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))] \quad (3)$$

- The discriminator is an **adaptive loss function** that gets discarded once the generator has been trained.

# GANs - Generator

Intuitive explanation:

- **Generator** needs to **fool** the discriminator:

- Generate samples similar to the real one:

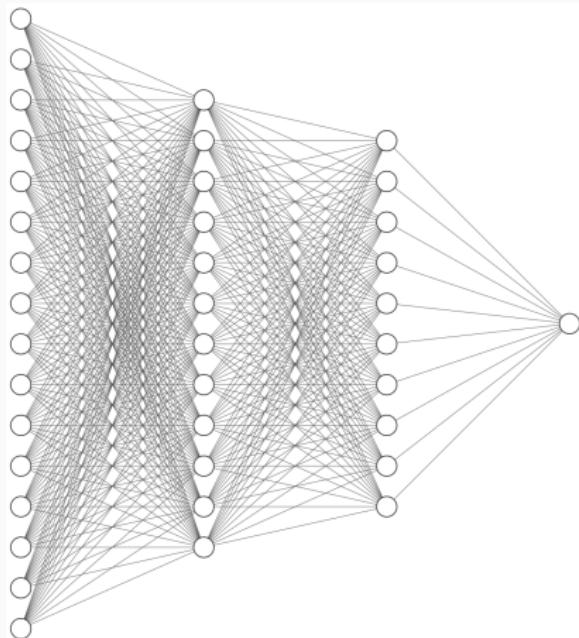
$$\min_G \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))] \quad (4)$$

- Saturates easily Goodfellow et al. (2014).
- Change loss for generator:

$$\max_G \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(D(G(z)))] \quad (5)$$

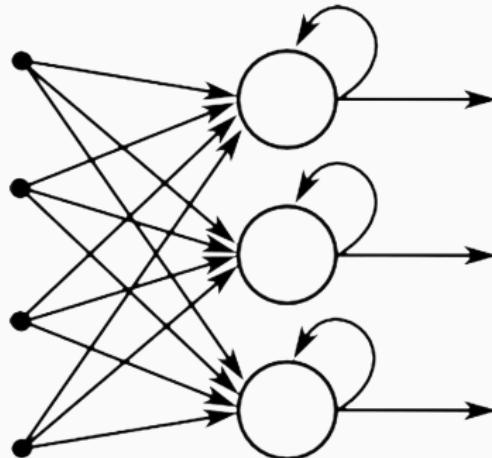
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- Different architectures for different data types.
  - Tuple of numbers?



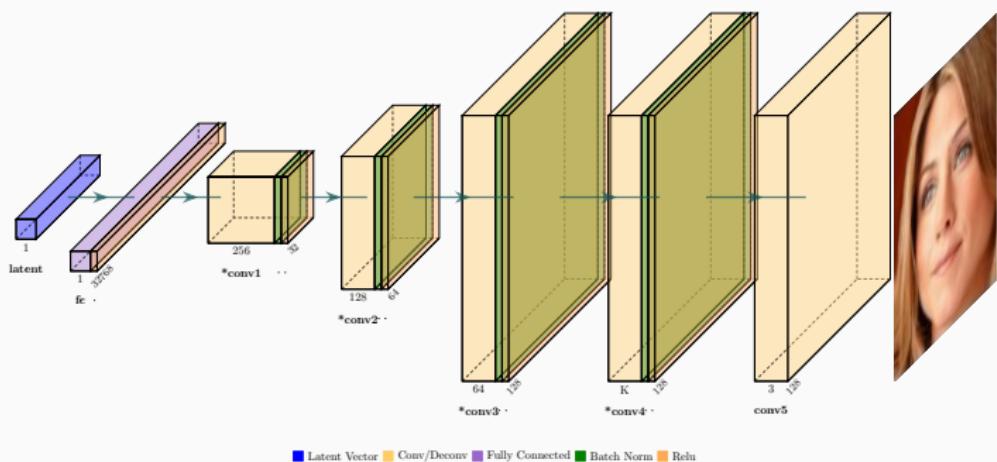
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  - Images?



# **GANs Training**

## GANs - Training

- Discriminator and generator are **competing** against each other.
- **Alternating** execution of training steps.
- Use **minibatch stochastic gradient descent/ascent**.



## GANs - Training - Discriminator

How to **train** the **discriminator**?

Repeat from 1 to **k**:

1. Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}$  from  $p_g(z)$
2. Sample minibatch of  $m$  examples  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(m)}$  from  $p_{data}(x)$
3. Train the **discriminator** by stochastic gradient ascent:

$$\Delta_{\theta_d} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \underbrace{\log D(x^{(i)}) + \log(1 - D(G(z^{(i)})))}_{\text{Discriminator loss}} \\ \underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\text{Loss estimation using } m \text{ samples}}$$

## GANs - Training - Generator

How to **train** the **generator**?

The update is executed **only once** and only after the turn of the discriminator is completed:

1. Sample minibatch of  $m$  noise samples  $z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(m)}$  from  $p_g(z)$
2. Train the **generator** by stochastic gradient **ascent**:

$$\Delta_{\theta_g} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \underbrace{\log(D(G(z^{(i)))))}_{\text{Generator loss}}$$

Loss estimation using  $m$  samples

## GANs - Training - Considerations

- Optimizers: Adam, Momentum, RMSProp.
- Training phase can last for an **arbitrary number** of steps or epochs.
- Training is completed when the discriminator is **completely fooled** by the generator.
- Goal: reach a **Nash Equilibrium** where the best D can do is random guessing.

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Two big families:

- **Unconditional** GANs (just described).
- **Conditional** GANs (Mirza and Osindero, 2014).

# Conditional GANs

- Both  $G$  and  $D$  are **conditioned** on some extra information  $y$ .
- In **practice**: perform conditioning by feeding  $y$  into the discriminator and generator.

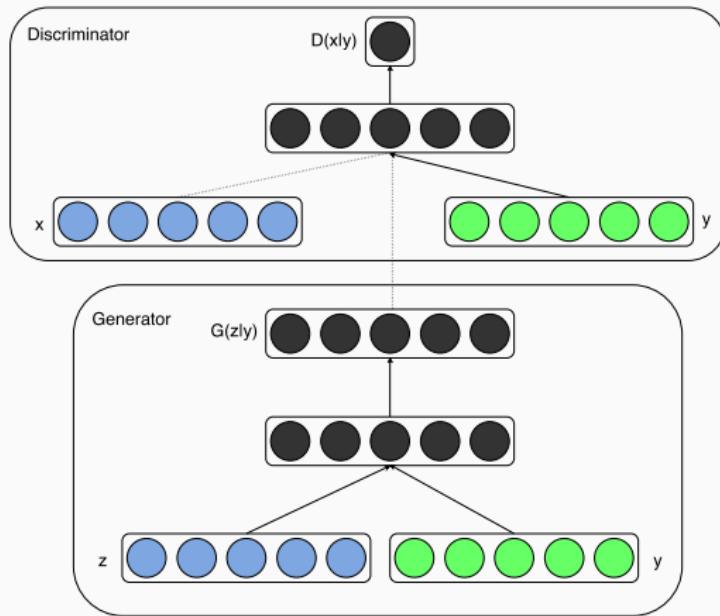


Figure 2: From Mirza and Osindero (2014)

# Conditional GANs

The GANs game becomes:

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

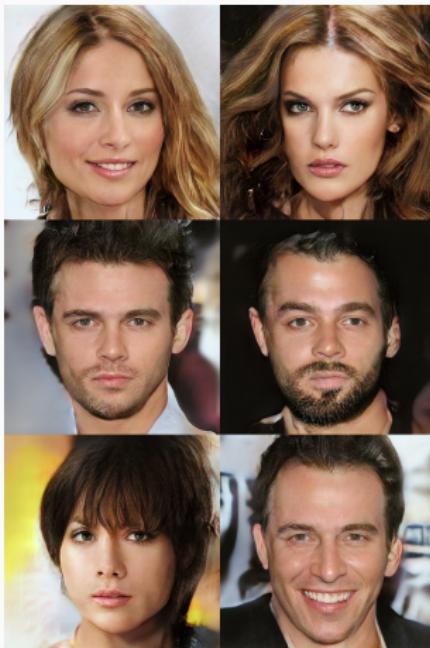
Notice: the same representation of the condition has to be presented to both network.

# **GANs Applications**

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GANs can be applied to lot of different tasks:

- Face generation

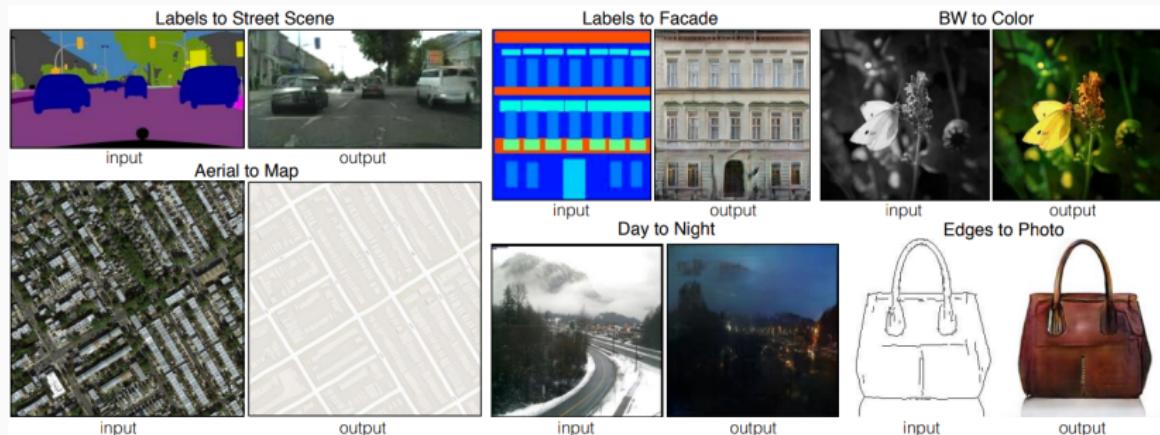


**Figure 3:** From Karras et al. (2017)

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GANs can be applied to lot of different tasks:

- Domain Translation



**Figure 3:** From Isola et al. (2016)

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GANs can be applied to lot of different tasks:

- Super resolution applications



LG Image



Generated Image

Figure 3: From Ledig et al. (2016)

**Thank you for your attention!**  
**Questions?**

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