

Generative Adversarial Networks

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Generative Modelling

- The network models a distribution over samples. Unsupervised.
 - Quality measure: Sample from the distribution and compare with original.



Samples from Deep Boltzmann
Machines,
(Salakhutdinov and Hinton, 2009)
[CIFAR10 Dataset]



Samples from Progressive GAN
(Karras et al., 2018)
[CelebFaces Attributes (CelebA) Dataset]

Training Data $\sim p_{data}(x)$
Generated Sample $\sim p_{model}(x)$

We want both distributions to
be similar.

Deep Generative Model based on MLE

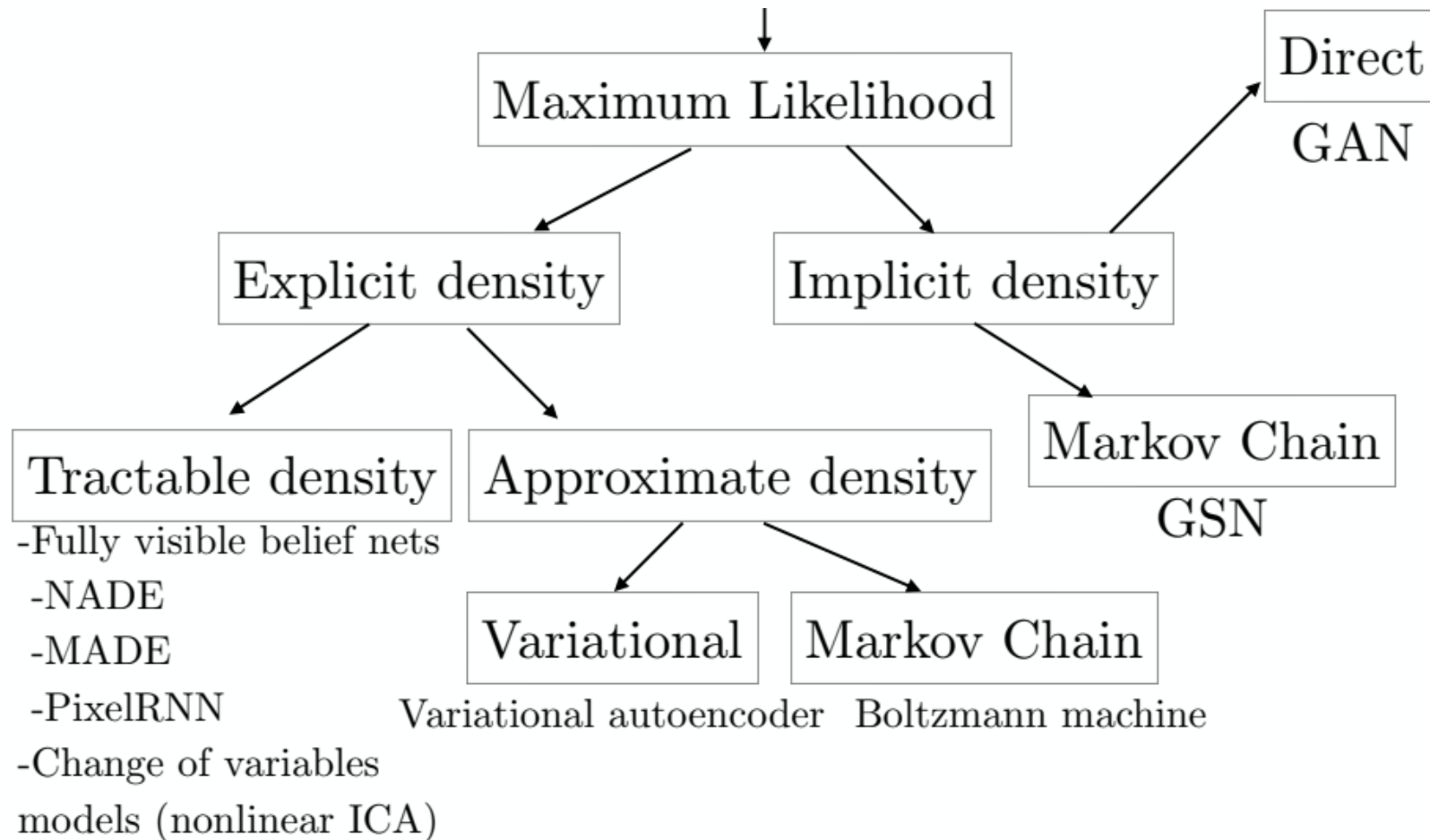


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PixelRNN – Explicit Tractable Density

Explicit density model

Use chain rule to decompose likelihood of an image x into product of 1-d distributions:

$$p(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})$$

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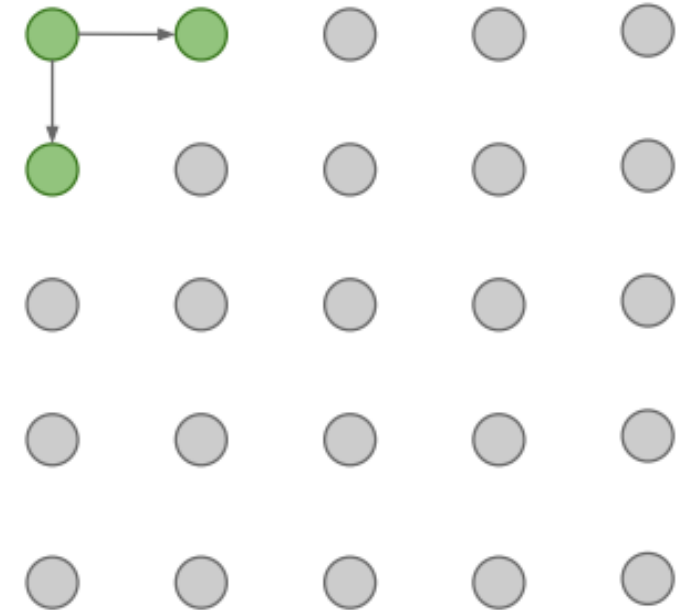
Likelihood of image x Probability of i 'th pixel value given all previous pixels

Then maximize likelihood of training data

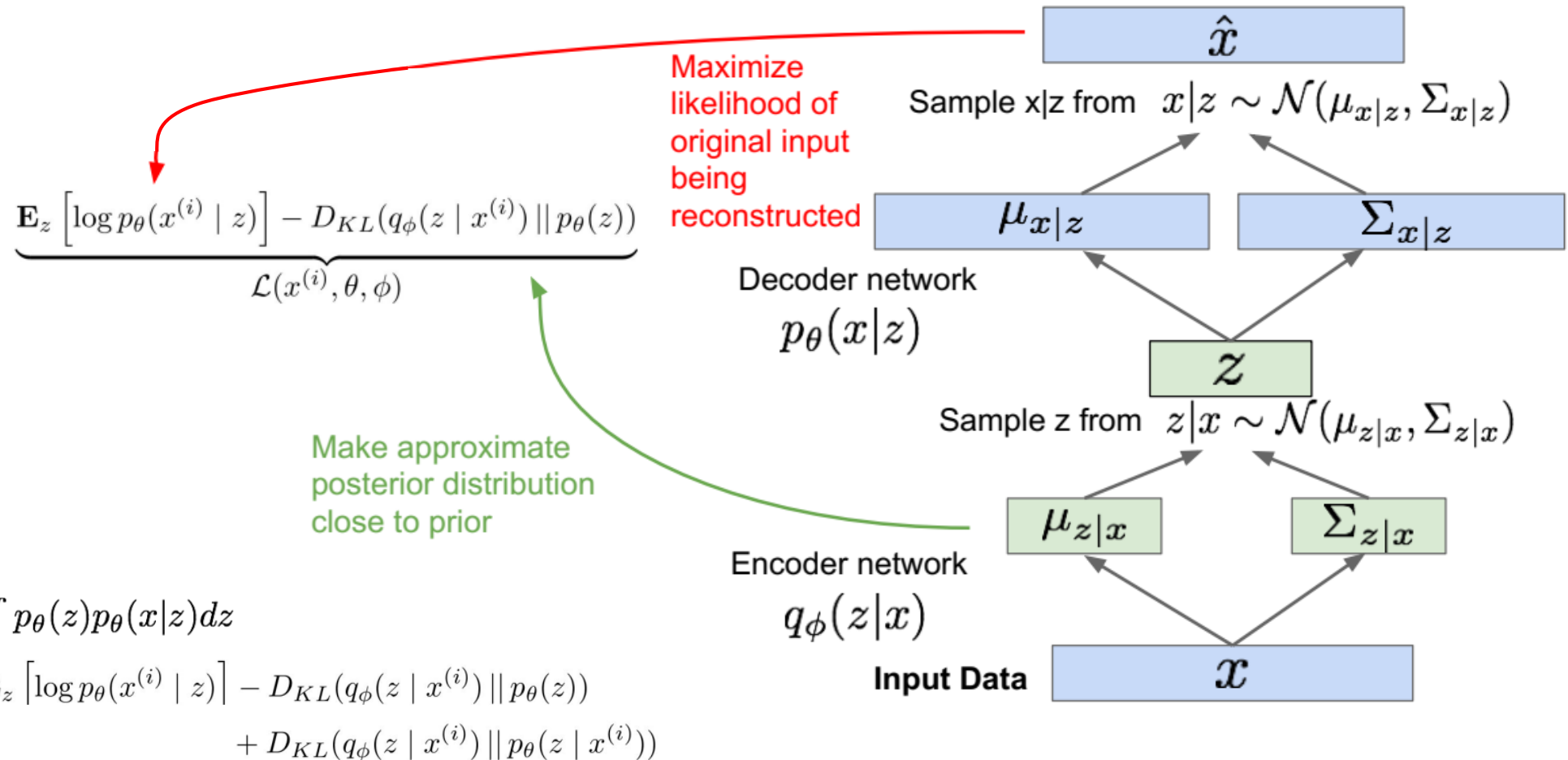
PixelRNN – Explicit Tractable Density

Generate image pixels starting from corner

Dependency on previous pixels modeled using an RNN (LSTM)



Variational Autoencoders – Explicit Intractable



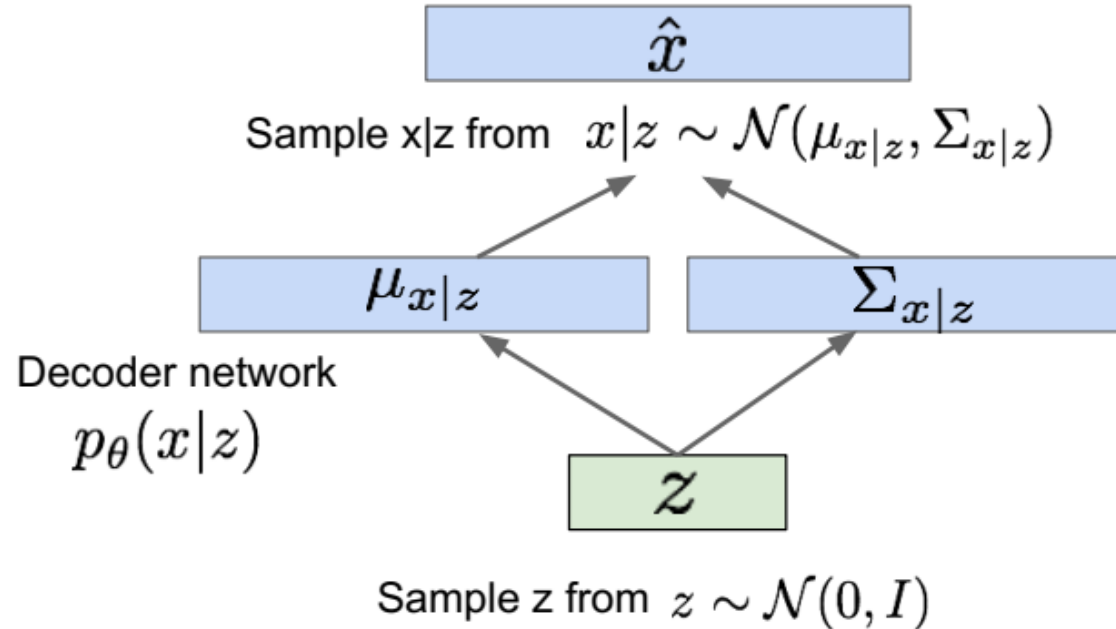
$$p_\theta(x) = \int p_\theta(z)p_\theta(x|z)dz$$

$$\log p_\theta(x^{(i)}) = \mathbf{E}_z \left[\log p_\theta(x^{(i)} | z) \right] - D_{KL}(q_\phi(z | x^{(i)}) || p_\theta(z)) + D_{KL}(q_\phi(z | x^{(i)}) || p_\theta(z | x^{(i)}))$$

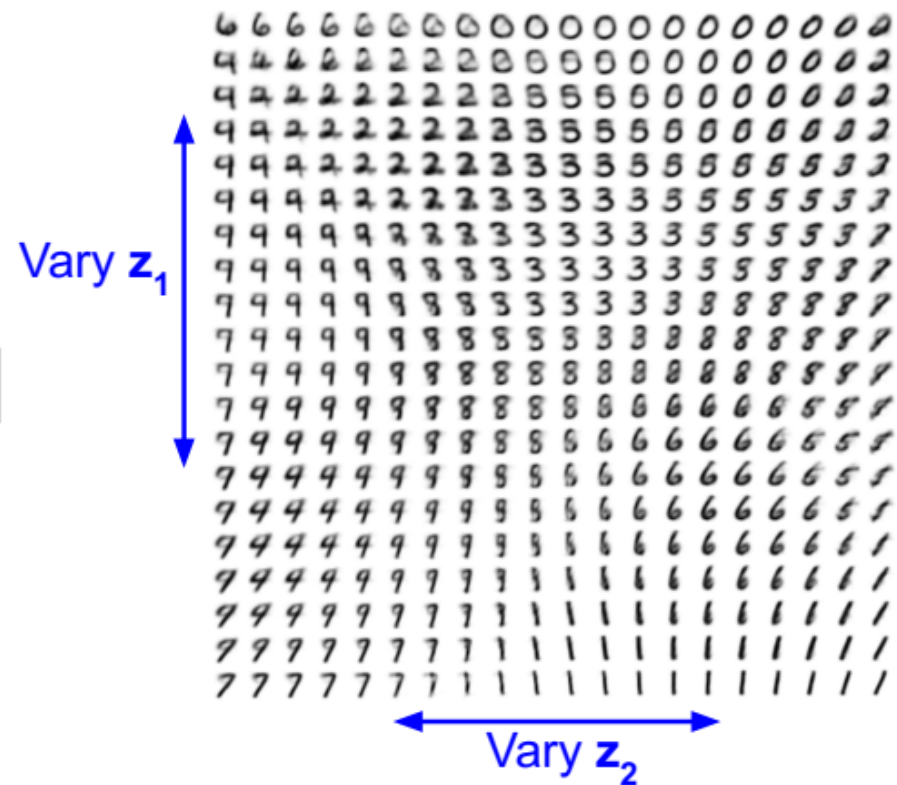
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Variational Autoencoders – Sampling

Use decoder network. Now sample z from prior!



Data manifold for 2-d z



Kingma and Welling, "Auto-Encoding Variational Bayes", ICLR 2014

PixelCNN and VAE

PixelCNNs define tractable density function, optimize likelihood of training data:

$$p_{\theta}(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_{\theta}(x_i | x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})$$

VAEs define intractable density function with latent \mathbf{z} :

$$p_{\theta}(x) = \int p_{\theta}(z) p_{\theta}(x|z) dz$$

Cannot optimize directly, derive and optimize lower bound on likelihood instead

Generative Adversarial Networks

- Does not work with explicit density function.
- Game theoretic approach: Zero-sum game.
 - Learn to generate samples from the training data distribution.
 - Sample from a simple distribution; Learn to transform it into a data sample.

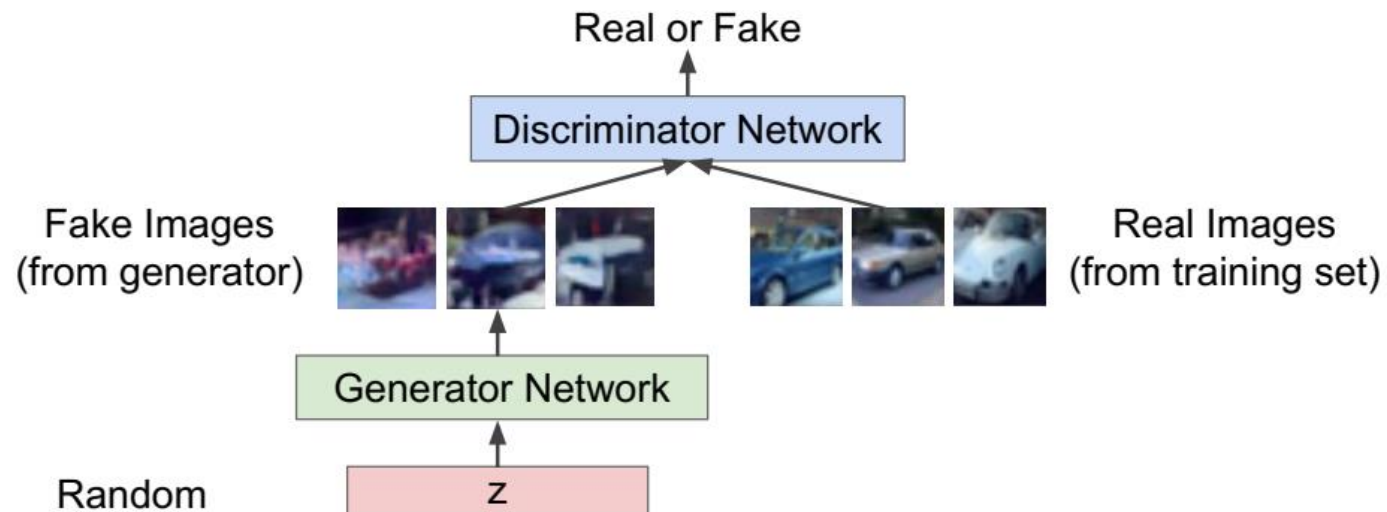


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Generative Adversarial Networks

Minimax objective function:

$$\min_{\theta_g} \max_{\theta_d} \left[\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} \log \underbrace{D_{\theta_d}(x)}_{\substack{\text{Discriminator output} \\ \text{for real data } x}} + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} \log(1 - \underbrace{D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z))}_{\substack{\text{Discriminator output for} \\ \text{generated fake data } G(z)}}) \right]$$

Discriminator outputs likelihood in (0,1) of real image

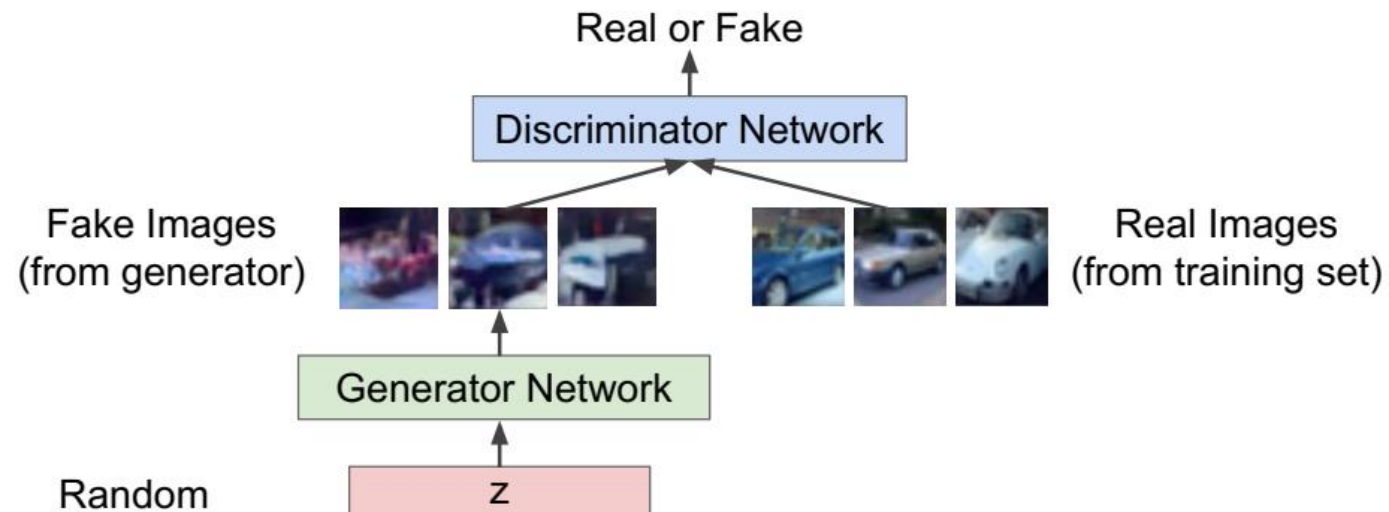


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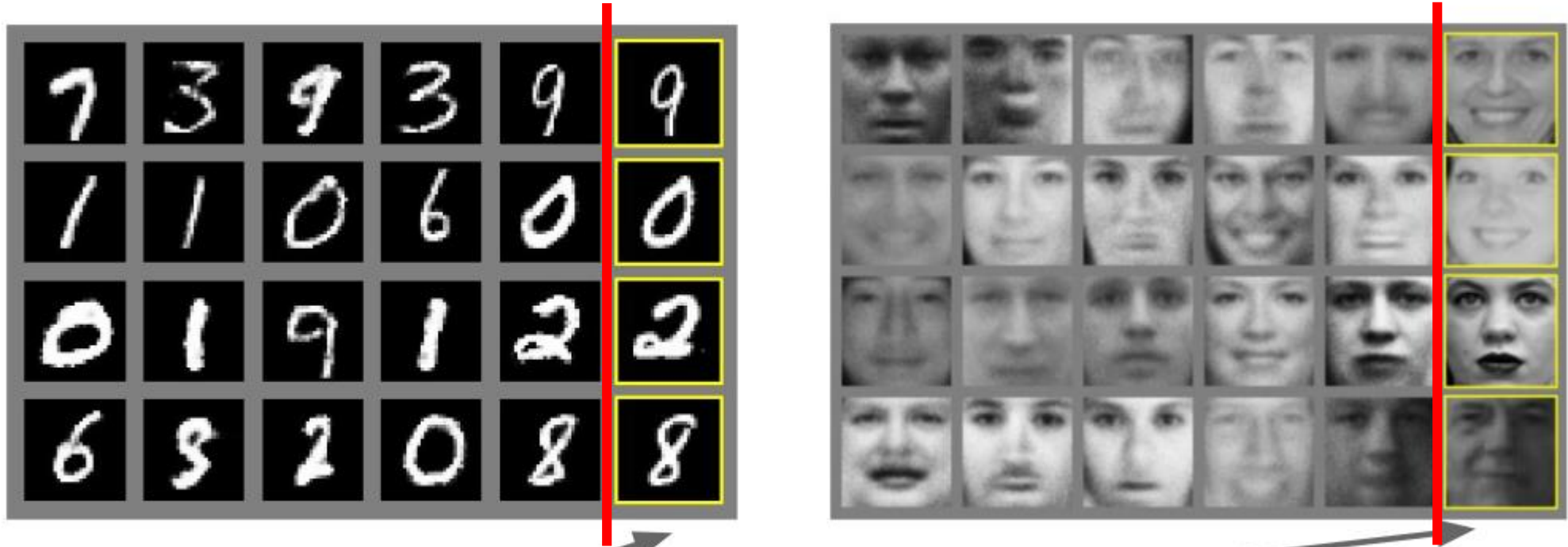
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Discriminator (θ_d) wants to **maximize objective** such that $D(x)$ is close to 1 (real) and $D(G(z))$ is close to 0 (fake)

Generator (θ_g) wants to **minimize objective** such that $D(G(z))$ is close to 1 (discriminator is fooled into thinking generated $G(z)$ is real)

Generative Adversarial Networks

Generated samples



Nearest neighbor from training set

GAN: Interpretable Vector Math

Glasses man



No glasses man



No glasses woman



Radford et al,
ICLR 2016

Woman with glasses



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GAN

Don't work with an explicit density function

Take game-theoretic approach: learn to generate from training distribution through 2-player game

Pros:

- Beautiful, state-of-the-art samples!

Cons:

- Trickier / more unstable to train
- Can't solve inference queries such as $p(x)$, $p(z|x)$

Active areas of research:

- Better loss functions, more stable training (Wasserstein GAN, LSGAN, many others)
- Conditional GANs, GANs for all kinds of applications

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