

# Theory behind GAN

# Generation

Using Generative  
Adversarial  
Network (GAN)

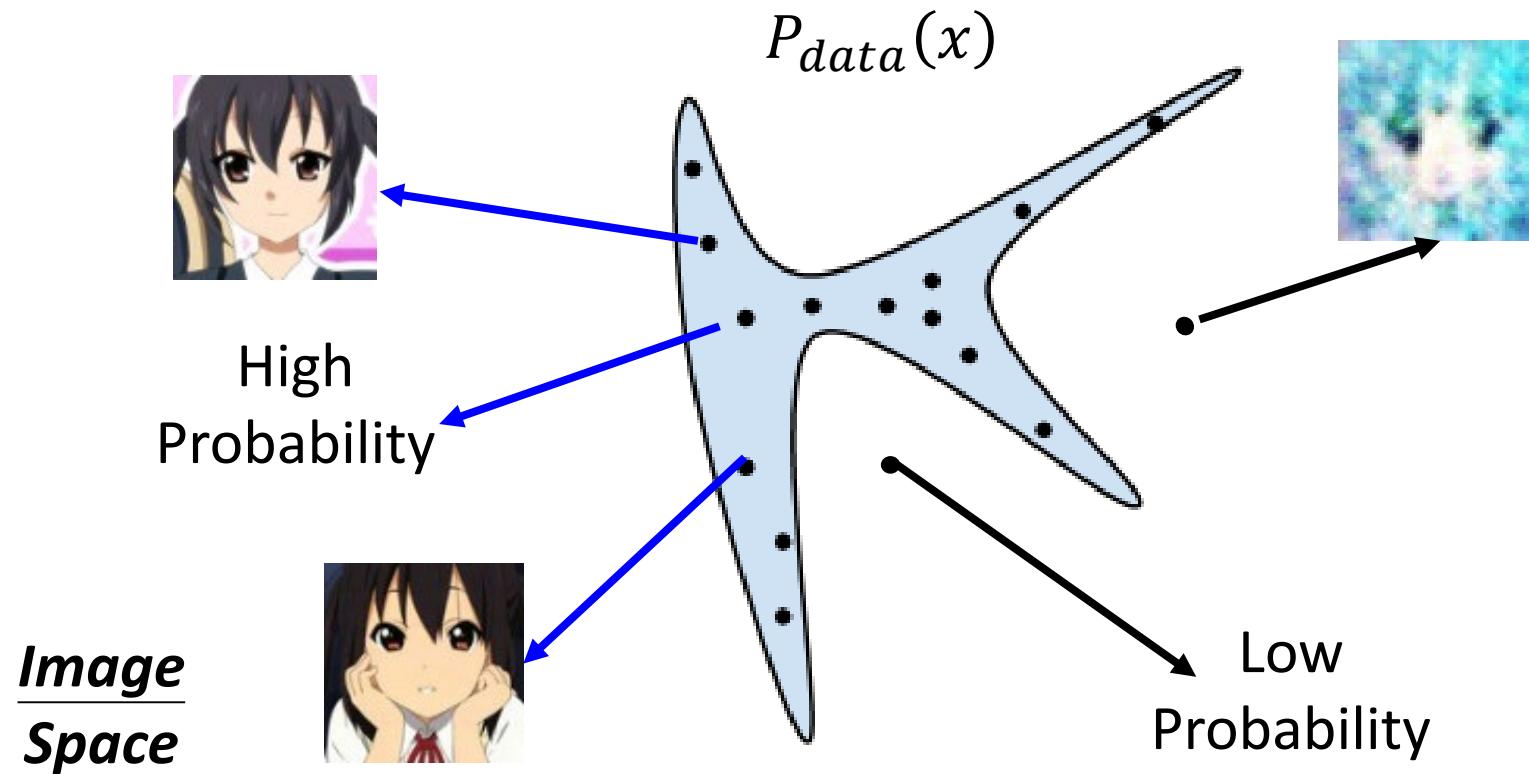


Drawing?

# Generation

$x$ : an image (a high-dimensional vector)

- We want to find data distribution  $P_{data}(x)$



# Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- Given a data distribution  $P_{data}(x)$  (We can sample from it.)
- We have a distribution  $P_G(x; \theta)$  parameterized by  $\theta$ 
  - We want to find  $\theta$  such that  $P_G(x; \theta)$  close to  $P_{data}(x)$
  - E.g.  $P_G(x; \theta)$  is a Gaussian Mixture Model,  $\theta$  are means and variances of the Gaussians

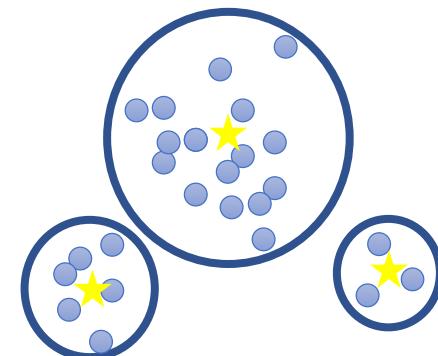
Sample  $\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$  from  $P_{data}(x)$

We can compute  $P_G(x^i; \theta)$

Likelihood of generating the samples

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^m P_G(x^i; \theta)$$

Find  $\theta^*$  maximizing the likelihood



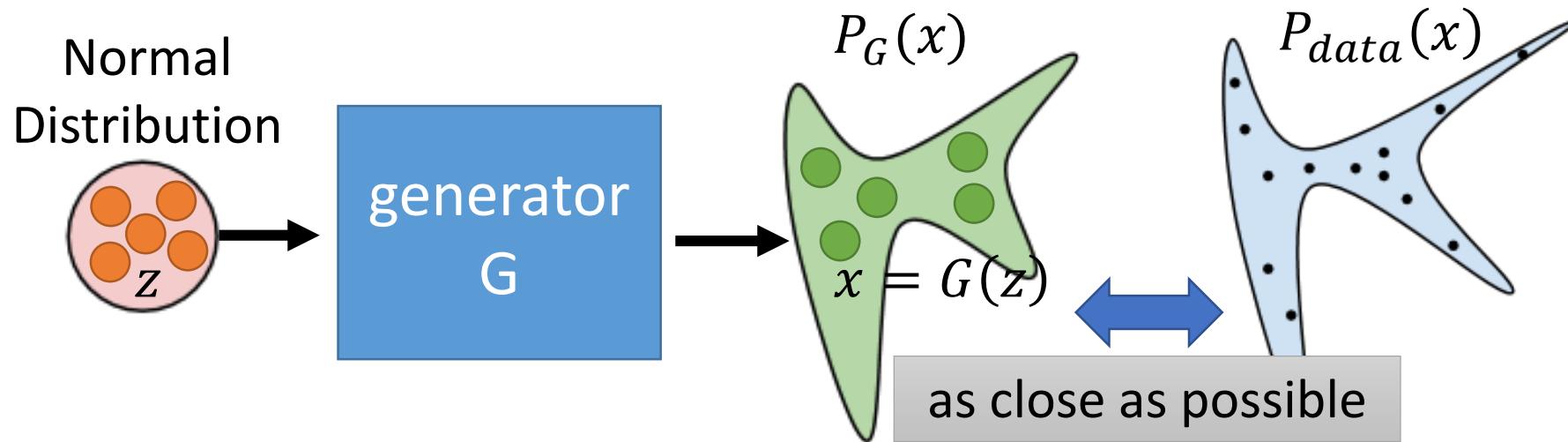
# Maximum Likelihood Estimation = Minimize KL Divergence

$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^m P_G(x^i; \theta) = \arg \max_{\theta} \log \prod_{i=1}^m P_G(x^i; \theta) \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^m \log P_G(x^i; \theta) \quad \{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\} \text{ from } P_{data}(x) \\ &\approx \arg \max_{\theta} E_{x \sim P_{data}} [\log P_G(x; \theta)] \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \int_x P_{data}(x) \log P_G(x; \theta) dx - \int_x P_{data}(x) \log P_{data}(x) dx \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} KL(P_{data} || P_G) \quad \text{How to define a general } P_G?\end{aligned}$$

# Generator

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- A generator  $G$  is a network. The network defines a probability distribution  $P_G$



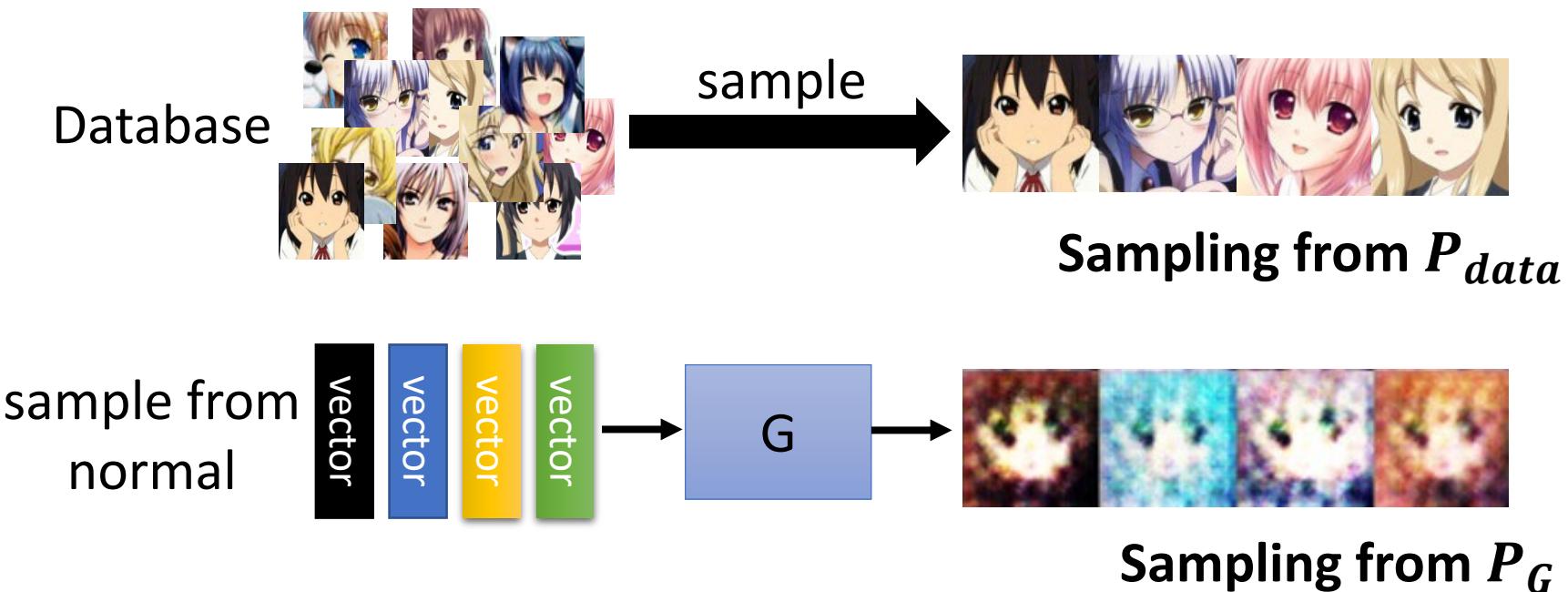
$$G^* = \arg \min_G \underline{\text{Div}}(P_G, P_{data})$$

Divergence between distributions  $P_G$  and  $P_{data}$   
How to compute the divergence?

# Discriminator

$$G^* = \arg \min_G \text{Div}(P_G, P_{\text{data}})$$

Although we do not know the distributions of  $P_G$  and  $P_{\text{data}}$ , we can sample from them.



# Discriminator

$$G^* = \arg \min_G \text{Div}(P_G, P_{\text{data}})$$

- ★ : data sampled from  $P_{\text{data}}$
- ☆ : data sampled from  $P_G$



train



Using the example objective function is exactly the same as training a binary classifier.

**Example Objective Function for D**

$$V(G, D) = E_{x \sim P_{\text{data}}} [\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim P_G} [\log(1 - D(x))]$$

↑  
(G is fixed)

**Training:**  $D^* = \arg \max_D V(D, G)$

[Goodfellow, et al., NIPS, 2014]

The maximum objective value is related to JS divergence.

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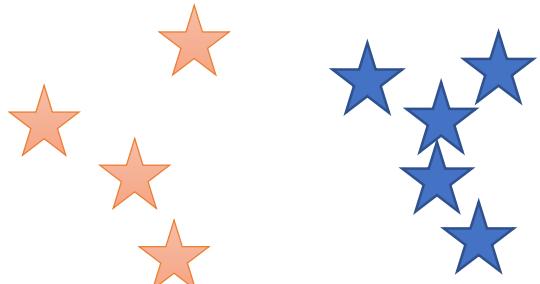
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small divergence

train

Discriminator



large divergence

train

hard to discriminate  
(cannot make objective large)

Discriminator

easy to discriminate

$$\max_D V(G, D)$$

$$V = E_{x \sim P_{data}}[\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim P_G}[\log(1 - D(x))]$$

- Given G, what is the optimal D\* maximizing

$$\begin{aligned} V &= E_{x \sim P_{data}}[\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim P_G}[\log(1 - D(x))] \\ &= \int_x P_{data}(x) \log D(x) dx + \int_x P_G(x) \log(1 - D(x)) dx \\ &= \int_x [P_{data}(x) \log D(x) + P_G(x) \log(1 - D(x))] dx \end{aligned}$$

Assume that D(x) can be any function

- Given x, the optimal D\* maximizing

$$P_{data}(x) \log D(x) + P_G(x) \log(1 - D(x))$$

$$\max_D V(G, D)$$

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- Given  $x$ , the optimal  $D^*$  maximizing

$$P_{data}(x) \underset{\text{a}}{\log} D(x) + P_G(x) \underset{\text{D}}{\log} (1 - D(x)) \underset{\text{b}}{\log} (1 - D(x))$$

- Find  $D^*$  maximizing:

$$f(D) = a \log(D) + b \log(1 - D)$$

$$\frac{df(D)}{dD} = a \times \frac{1}{D} + b \times \frac{1}{1 - D} \times (-1) = 0$$

$$a \times \frac{1}{D^*} = b \times \frac{1}{1 - D^*} \quad a \times (1 - D^*) = b \times D^* \\ a - aD^* = bD^* \quad a = (a + b)D^*$$

$$D^* = \frac{a}{a + b} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$D^*(x) = \frac{P_{data}(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} \quad 0 < \frac{P_{data}(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} < 1$$

$$\max_D V(G, D)$$

$$V = E_{x \sim P_{data}}[\log D(x)] \\ + E_{x \sim P_G}[\log(1 - D(x))]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_D V(G, D) &= V(G, D^*) & D^*(x) &= \frac{P_{data}(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} \\ &= E_{x \sim P_{data}} \left[ \log \frac{P_{data}(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} \right] & &+ E_{x \sim P_G} \left[ \log \frac{P_G(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} \right] \\ &= \int_x P_{data}(x) \log \frac{\frac{1}{2} P_{data}(x)}{\frac{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)}{2}} dx & &+ \int_x P_G(x) \log \frac{\frac{1}{2} P_G(x)}{\frac{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)}{2}} dx \\ &\quad + 2 \log \frac{1}{2} - 2 \log 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\max_D V(G, D)$$

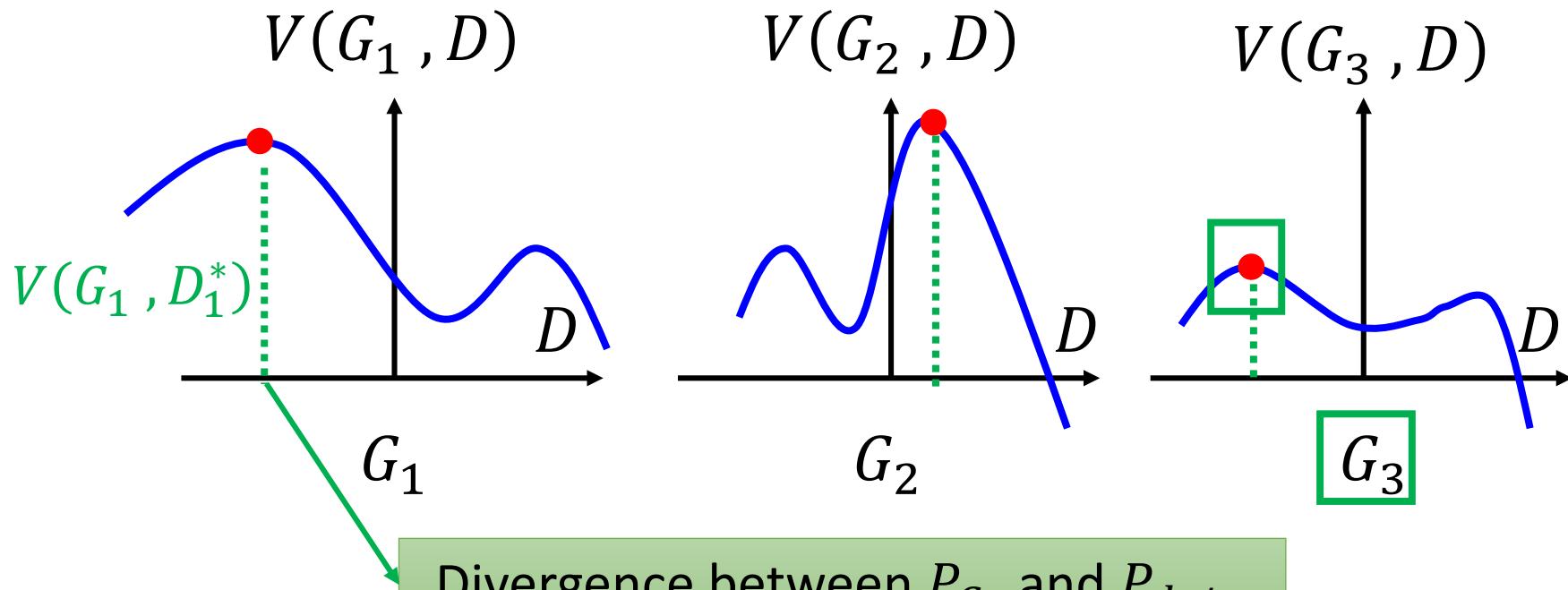
$$\begin{aligned}\text{JSD}(P \parallel Q) &= \frac{1}{2}D(P \parallel M) + \frac{1}{2}D(Q \parallel M) \\ M &= \frac{1}{2}(P + Q)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\max_D V(G, D) &= V(G, D^*) & D^*(x) &= \frac{P_{data}(x)}{P_{data}(x) + P_G(x)} \\ &= -2\log 2 + \int_x P_{data}(x) \log \frac{P_{data}(x)}{(P_{data}(x) + P_G(x))/2} dx \\ &&&+ \int_x P_G(x) \log \frac{P_G(x)}{(P_{data}(x) + P_G(x))/2} dx \\ &= -2\log 2 + \text{KL}\left(P_{data} \parallel \frac{P_{data} + P_G}{2}\right) + \text{KL}\left(P_G \parallel \frac{P_{data} + P_G}{2}\right) \\ &= -2\log 2 + 2JSD(P_{data} \parallel P_G) \quad \text{Jensen-Shannon divergence}\end{aligned}$$

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- Initialize generator and discriminator
- In each training iteration:
  - Step 1:** Fix generator  $G$ , and update discriminator  $D$
  - Step 2:** Fix discriminator  $D$ , and update generator  $G$

# Algorithm

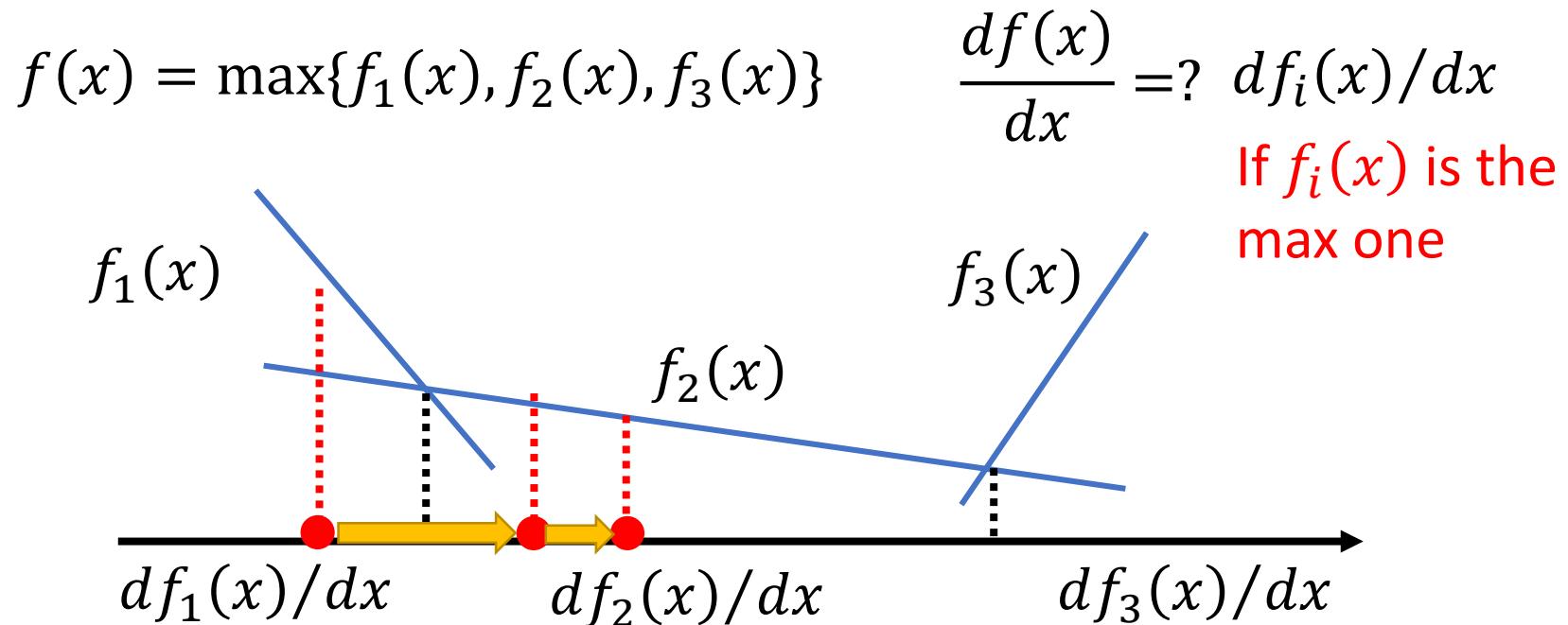
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$L(G)$

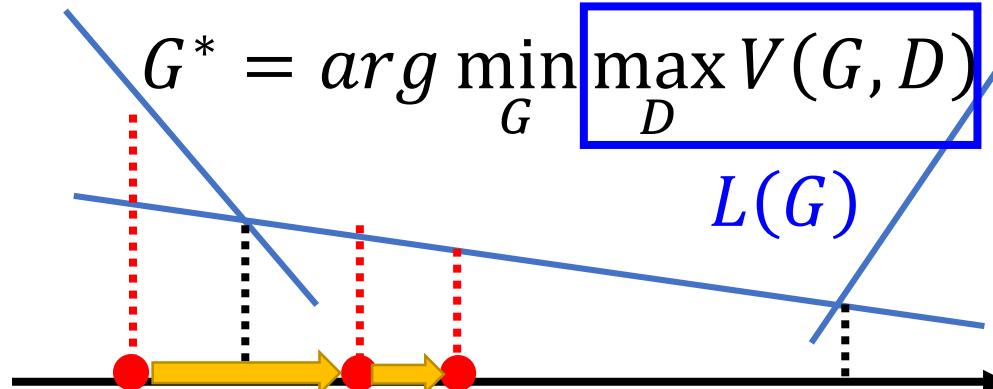
- To find the best G minimizing the loss function  $L(G)$ ,

$$\theta_G \leftarrow \theta_G - \eta \partial L(G) / \partial \theta_G$$

$\theta_G$  defines G



# Algorithm



- Given  $G_0$
- Find  $D_0^*$  maximizing  $V(G_0, D)$

**Using Gradient Ascent**

$V(G_0, D_0^*)$  is the JS divergence between  $P_{data}(x)$  and  $P_{G_0}(x)$

- $\theta_G \leftarrow \theta_G - \eta \partial V(G, D_0^*) / \partial \theta_G \rightarrow$  Obtain  $G_1$
- Find  $D_1^*$  maximizing  $V(G_1, D)$

Decrease JS divergence(?)

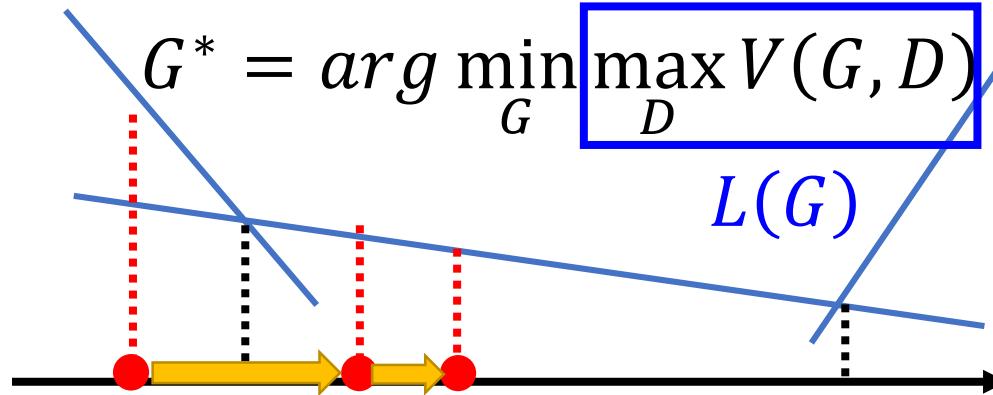
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- $\theta_G \leftarrow \theta_G - \eta \partial V(G, D_1^*) / \partial \theta_G \rightarrow$  Obtain  $G_2$
- .....

Decrease JS divergence(?)

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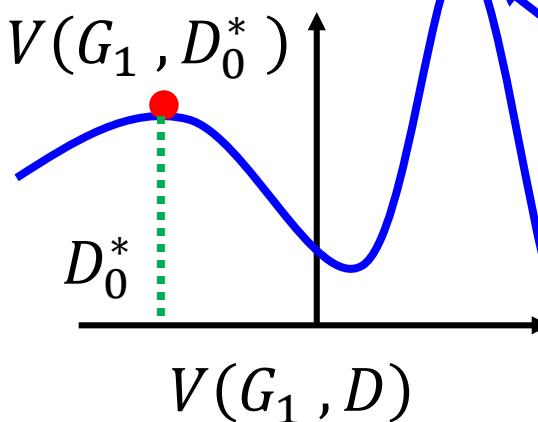
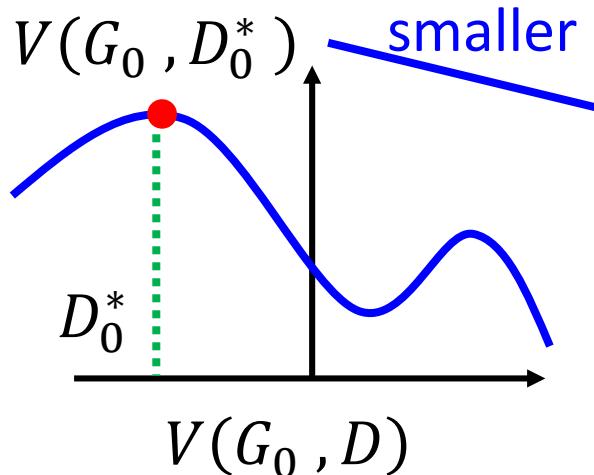
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$V(G_1, D_1^*) \dots$

Assume  $D_0^* \approx D_1^*$

**Don't update G too much**

# In practice ...

$$V = E_{x \sim P_{data}}[\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim P_G}[\log(1 - D(x))]$$

- Given  $G$ , how to compute  $\max_D V(G, D)$ 
  - Sample  $\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$  from  $P_{data}(x)$ , sample  $\{\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^m\}$  from generator  $P_G(x)$

Maximize  $\tilde{V} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(x^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log(1 - D(\tilde{x}^i))$

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## Binary Classifier

$D$  is a binary classifier with sigmoid output (can be deep)

$\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$  from  $P_{data}(x)$   Positive examples

$\{\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^m\}$  from  $P_G(x)$   Negative examples

Minimize Cross-entropy

## Algorithm

Initialize  $\theta_d$  for D and  $\theta_g$  for G

- In each training iteration:

Can only find lower bound of  $\max_D V(G, D)$

- Sample m examples  $\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$  from data distribution  $P_{data}(x)$

- Sample m noise samples  $\{z^1, z^2, \dots, z^m\}$  from the prior  $P_{prior}(z)$

- Obtaining generated data  $\{\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^m\}$ ,  $\tilde{x}^i = G(z^i)$

- Update discriminator parameters  $\theta_d$  to maximize

- $$\tilde{V} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(x^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log (1 - D(\tilde{x}^i))$$

- $$\theta_d \leftarrow \theta_d + \eta \nabla \tilde{V}(\theta_d)$$

- Sample another m noise samples  $\{z^1, z^2, \dots, z^m\}$  from the prior  $P_{prior}(z)$

- Update generator parameters  $\theta_g$  to minimize

- $$\tilde{V} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log D(\tilde{x}^i) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log (1 - D(G(z^i)))$$

- $$\theta_g \leftarrow \theta_g - \eta \nabla \tilde{V}(\theta_g)$$

Learning  
D

Repeat  
k times

Learning  
G

Only  
Once

# Objective Function for Generator in Real Implementation

$$V = E_{x \sim P_{data}} [\log D(x)] + E_{x \sim P_G} [\log(1 - D(x))]$$

Slow at the beginning

Minimax GAN (MMGAN)

$$V = E_{x \sim P_G} [-\log(D(x))]$$

Real implementation:  
label  $x$  from  $P_G$  as positive

Non-saturating GAN (NSGAN)

