

# Selected GANs

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- Conditional GAN
  - Find Latent Representation by Optimisation
  - BiGAN: GAN with Encoder
  - CoGAN
  - CycleGAN, DualGAN, DiscoGAN and UNIT
  - Walking on the Latent Space
  - Improving Interpolation via Adversarial Regularisation
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- Find the mapping without supervision {
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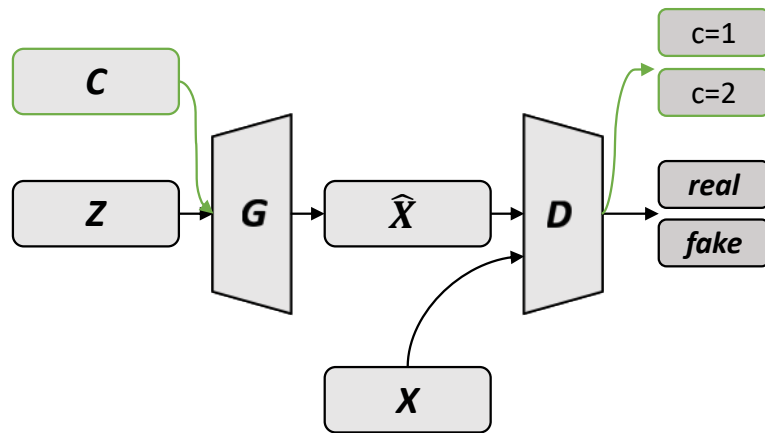
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# Conditional GAN

- A Simple Example: Auxiliary Classifier GANs



$$\mathcal{L}_D = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\log D_x(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z} [\log(1 - D_x(G(z, c)))]$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\log D_c(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z} [\log(1 - D_c(G(z, c)))]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_G = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\log D_x(G(z, c))] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z} [\log D_c(G(z, c))]$$



monarch butterfly



goldfinch



daisy

Multi-modal problem: one problem has multiple solutions  
 $p(x|c, z)$

# Conditional GAN

## “Class” conditional generative models

$$P(X = \img alt="A small orange and white kitten" data-bbox="221 329 275 405" | Y = \textit{Cat})$$

## “Text” conditional generative models

$$P(X = \img alt="A white daisy flower with a yellow center" data-bbox="221 469 291 567" | Y = \textit{“a flower with white petals and yellow stamen”})$$

## “Text-image” conditional generative models

$$P(X = \img alt="A yellow bird" data-bbox="226 624 294 721" | Y_1 = \img alt="A brown bird" data-bbox="356 628 424 721" , Y_2 = \textit{“a yellow bird with grey wings”})$$

**Joint distribution**

Generative Adversarial Text to Image Synthesis. *S. Reed, Z. Akata et al. ICML. 2016.*

Semantic Image Synthesis via Adversarial Learning. *H. Dong, S. Yu et al. ICCV 2017.*

# Conditional GAN

- Text-to-image synthesis: Another Multi-modal generation problem

this small bird has a pink breast and crown, and black primaries and secondaries.



this magnificent fellow is almost all black with a red crest, and white cheek patch.



the flower has petals that are bright pinkish purple with white stigma



this white and yellow flower have thin white petals and a round yellow stamen

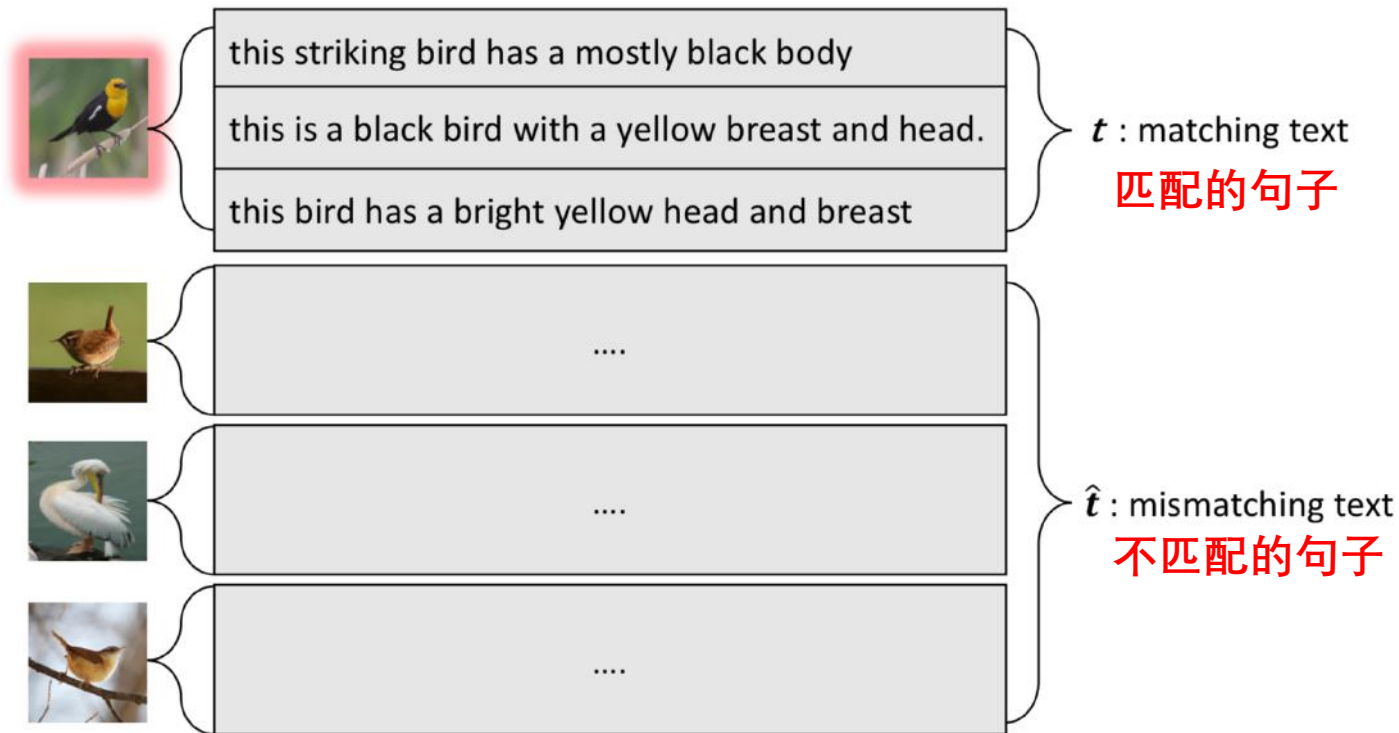


- Classic multi-modal problem

$$P(t, z)$$

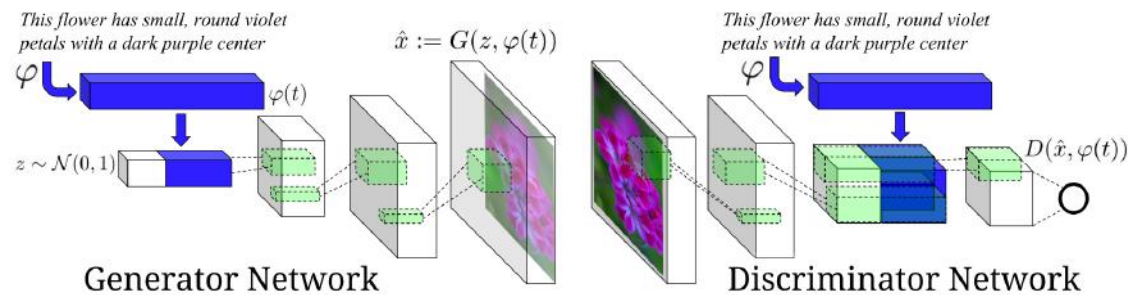
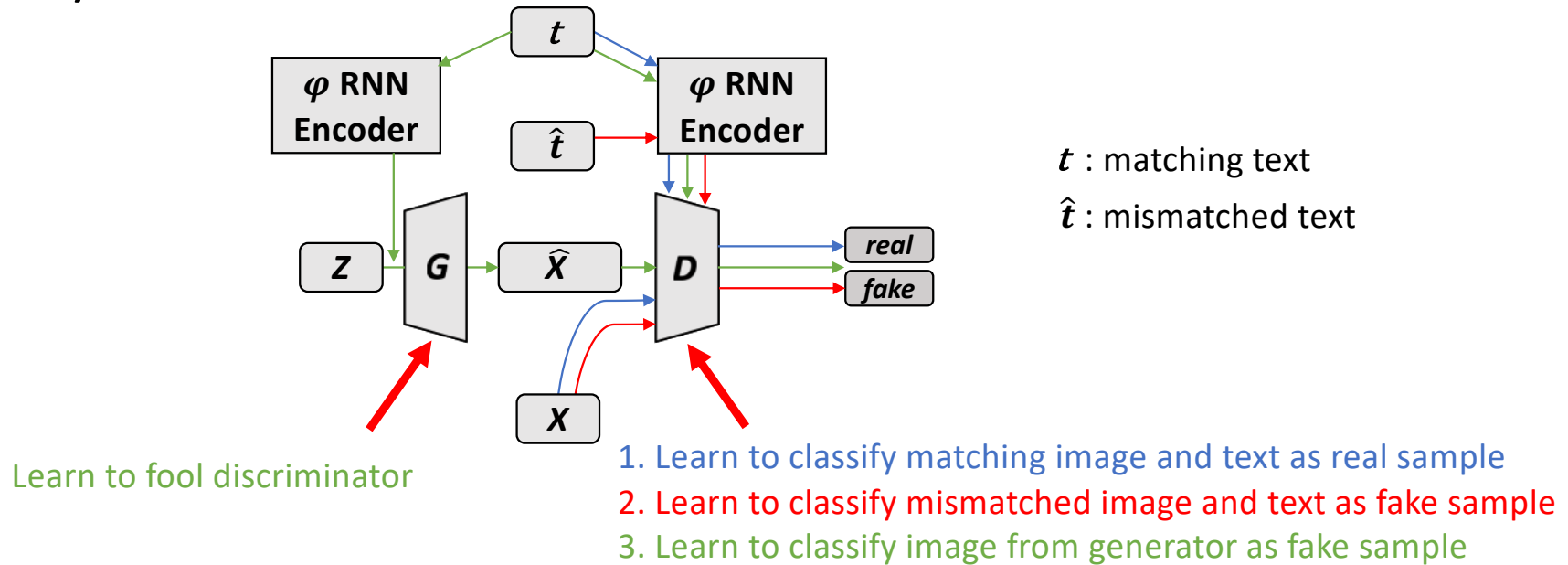
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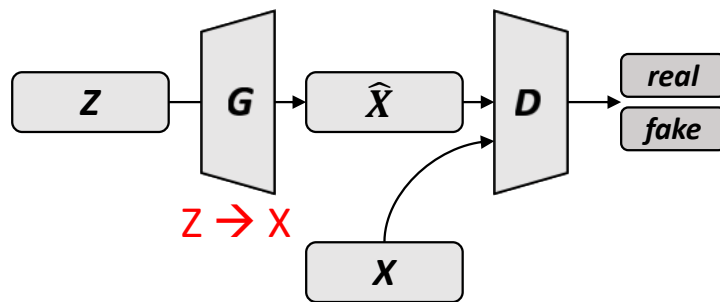
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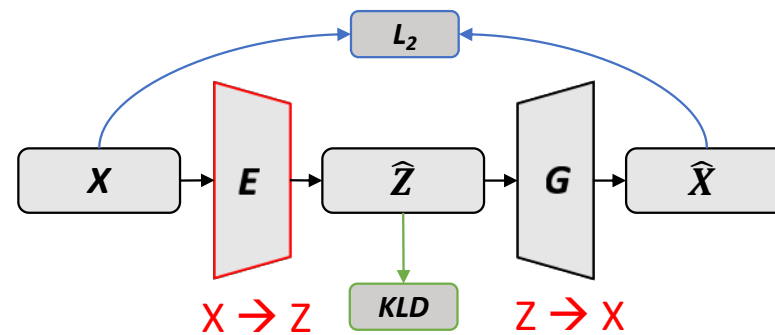
# Find Latent Representation by Optimisation

- Motivation: GAN vs. VAE

## Vanilla GAN



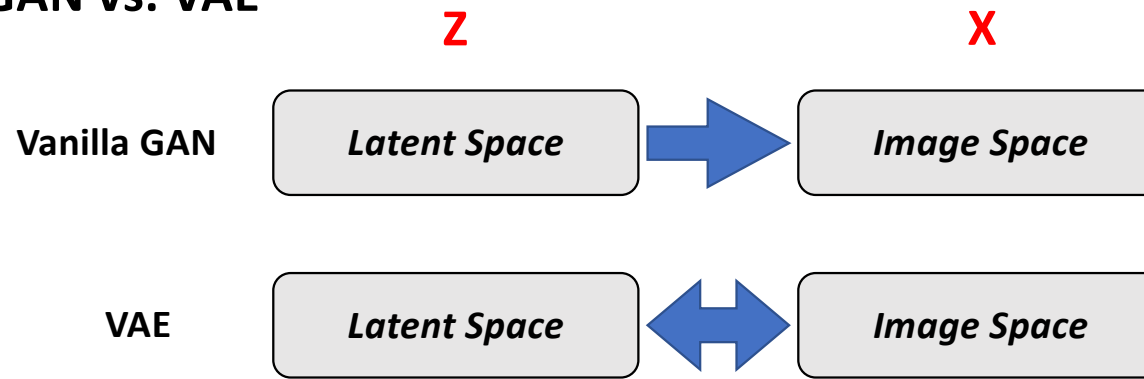
## VAE variational autoencoder



VAE has an Encoder that can map  $x$  to  $z$

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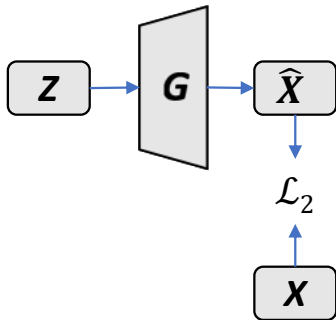
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- **Optimisation-based Method**

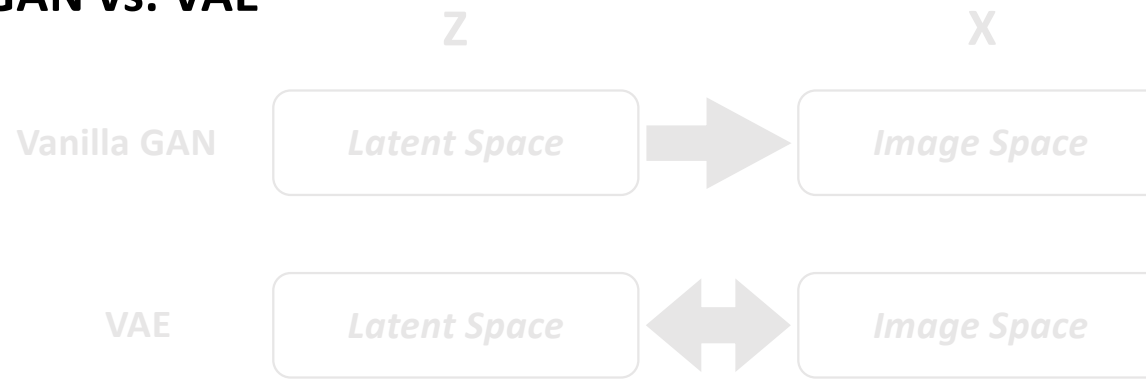


- Given a pretrained/fixed  $G$  and an image  $X$
- Optimise:  $\min_z ||x - G(z)||_2^2$
- Limitation: **SLOW!**

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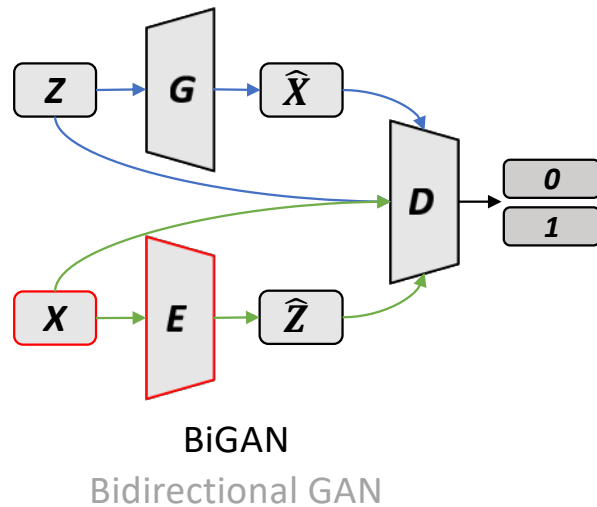
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- VAE = **G**enerator + **E**ncoder
- Vanilla GAN = **G**enerator + **D**iscriminator
- Better GAN = **G**enerator + **D**iscriminator + **E**ncoder

## BiGAN: GAN with Encoder

- Find the joint distribution of  $X$  and  $Z$



$$p_G(X, Z) = p_G(X|Z)p(Z)$$

$$p_E(X, Z) = p_E(Z|X)p(X)$$

$$p_G(X, Z) \quad p_E(X, Z)$$

Minimise the gap between them

If  $E$  and  $G$  are optimal, then  $E=G^{-1}$  almost everywhere, that is  $G(E(X))=X$  and  $E(G(z))=z$

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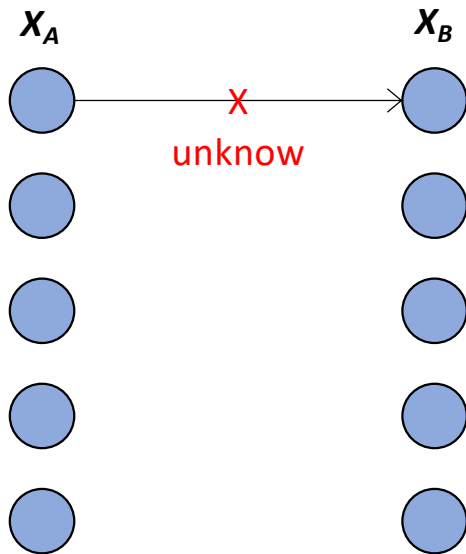
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# CoGAN

- Learn the joint distribution of two (semantically similar) domains

Data of two domains without known the mappings  
(Learn the joint distribution)

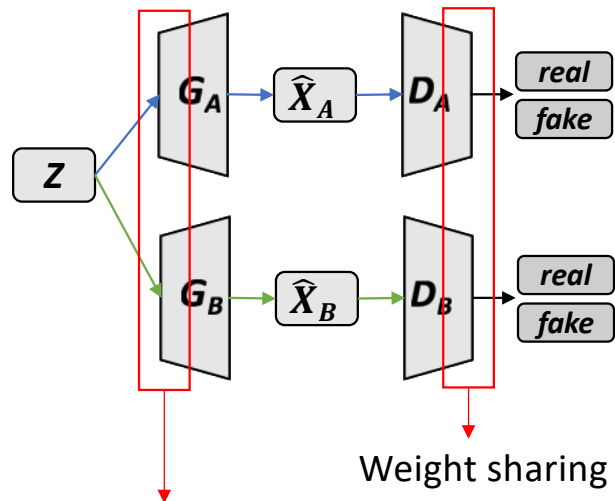


$$p(\mathbf{x}_A, \mathbf{x}_B) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{x}_A, \mathbf{x}_B | \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})$$



# CoGAN

- Utilising the model inductive bias



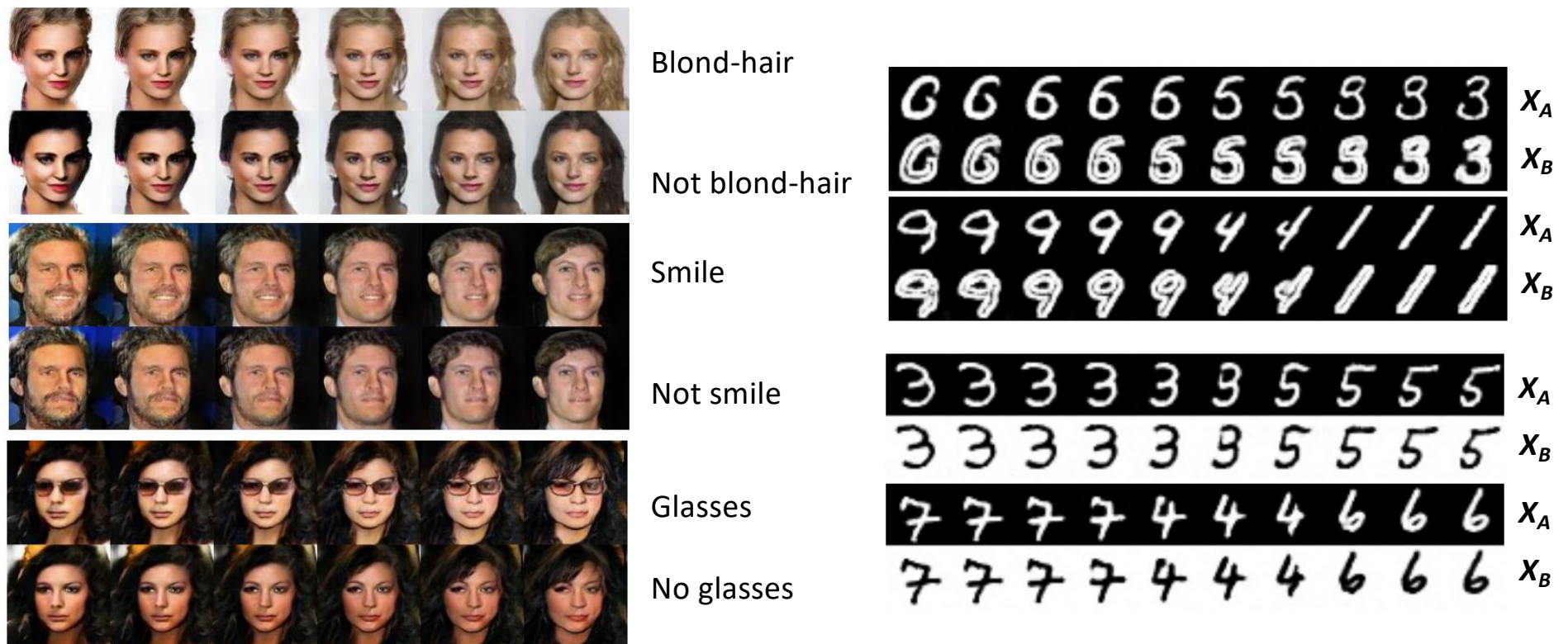
Weight sharing on the last few layers (responsible for encoding high-level semantics)

Weight sharing on the first few layers (responsible for decoding high-level semantics)

“The weight-sharing constraint allows us to learn a joint distribution of images without correspondence supervision”  
(The prior knowledge is from the model inductive bias)

# CoGAN

- Results



## CoGAN

- **Limitation**

- It learns the joint distribution of two domains without known the mapping,
- but when given an image, it cannot output the image of the other domain
- so we need to map the images back to the latent codes for more applications...

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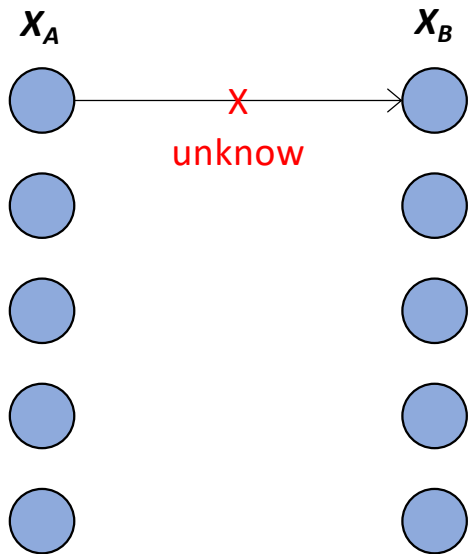
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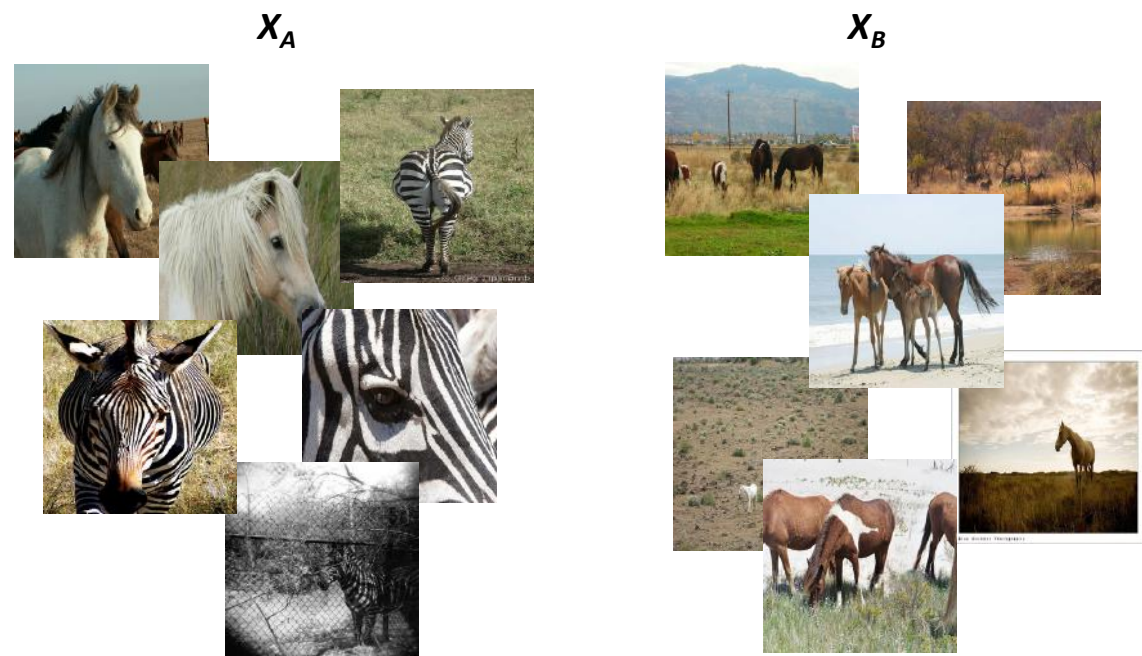
- Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation

Data from two domains without known the mappings

(Learn the unknown mappings)



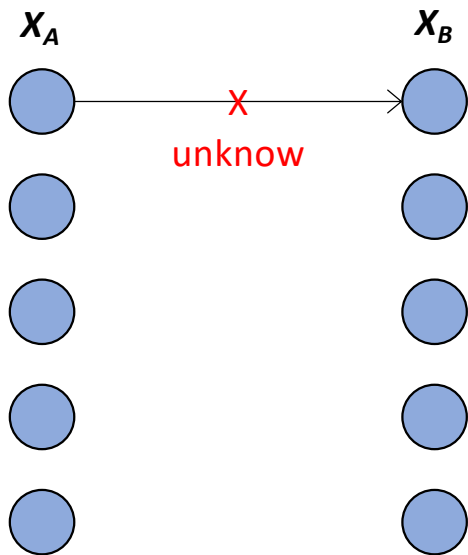
$$X_B = G_{A2B}(X_A), X_A = G_{B2A}(X_B)$$



# CycleGAN, DualGAN, DiscoGAN and UNIT

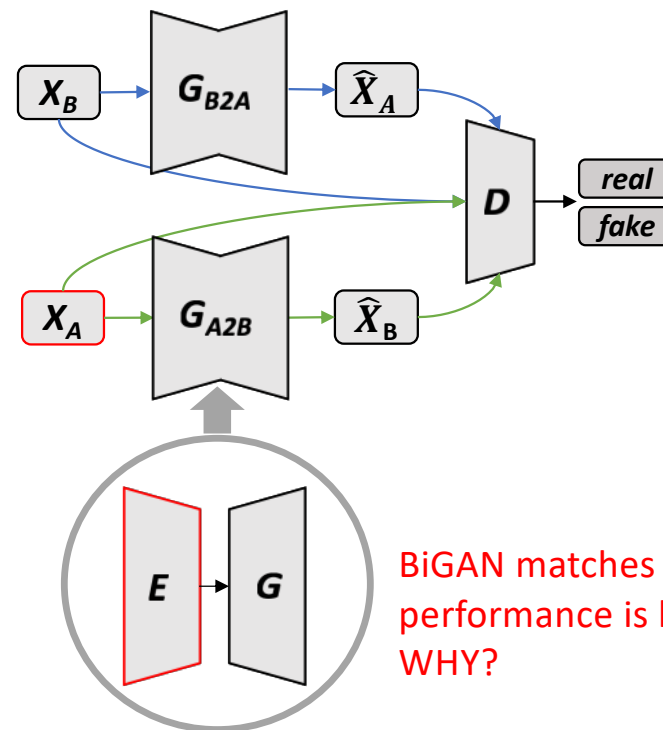
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BiGAN with Autoencoders as Generators

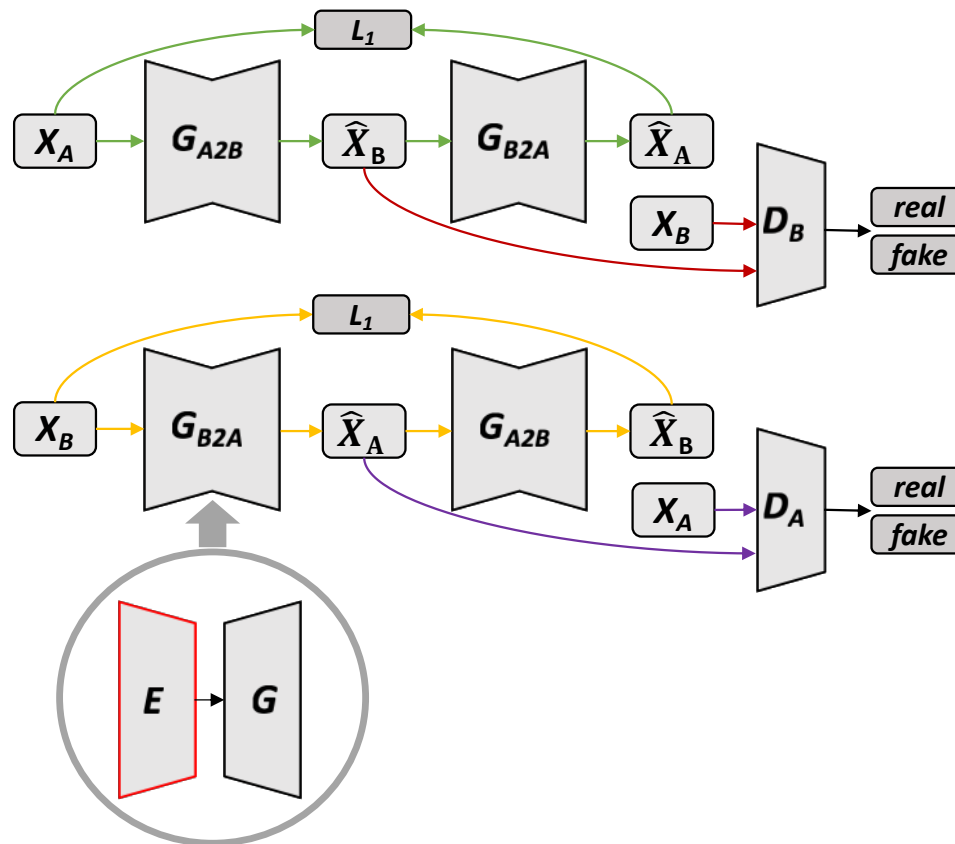


BiGAN matches this setting, but the performance is bad... WHY?

Encoder is a part of the generator (fully conv nets)

# CycleGAN, DualGAN, DiscoGAN and UNIT

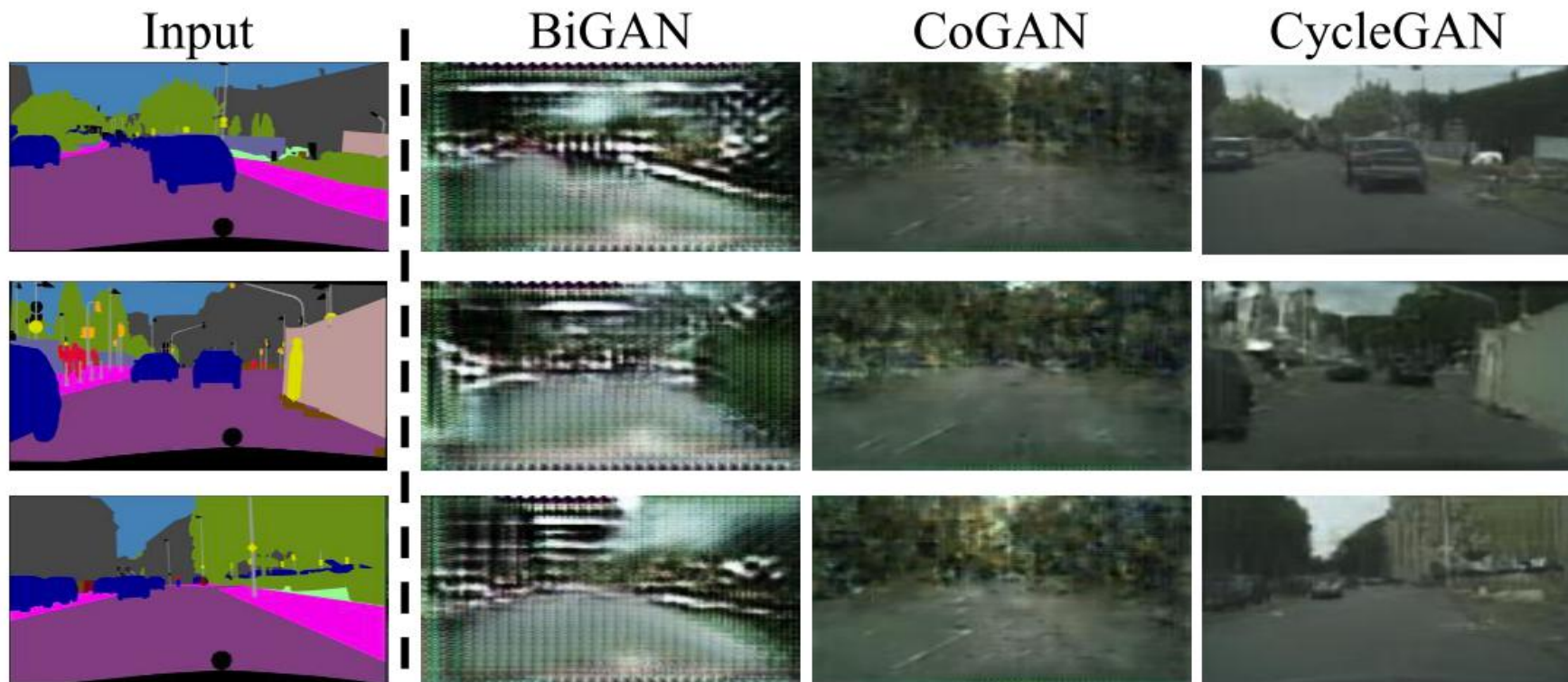
- Cycle-consistency loss + adversarial loss



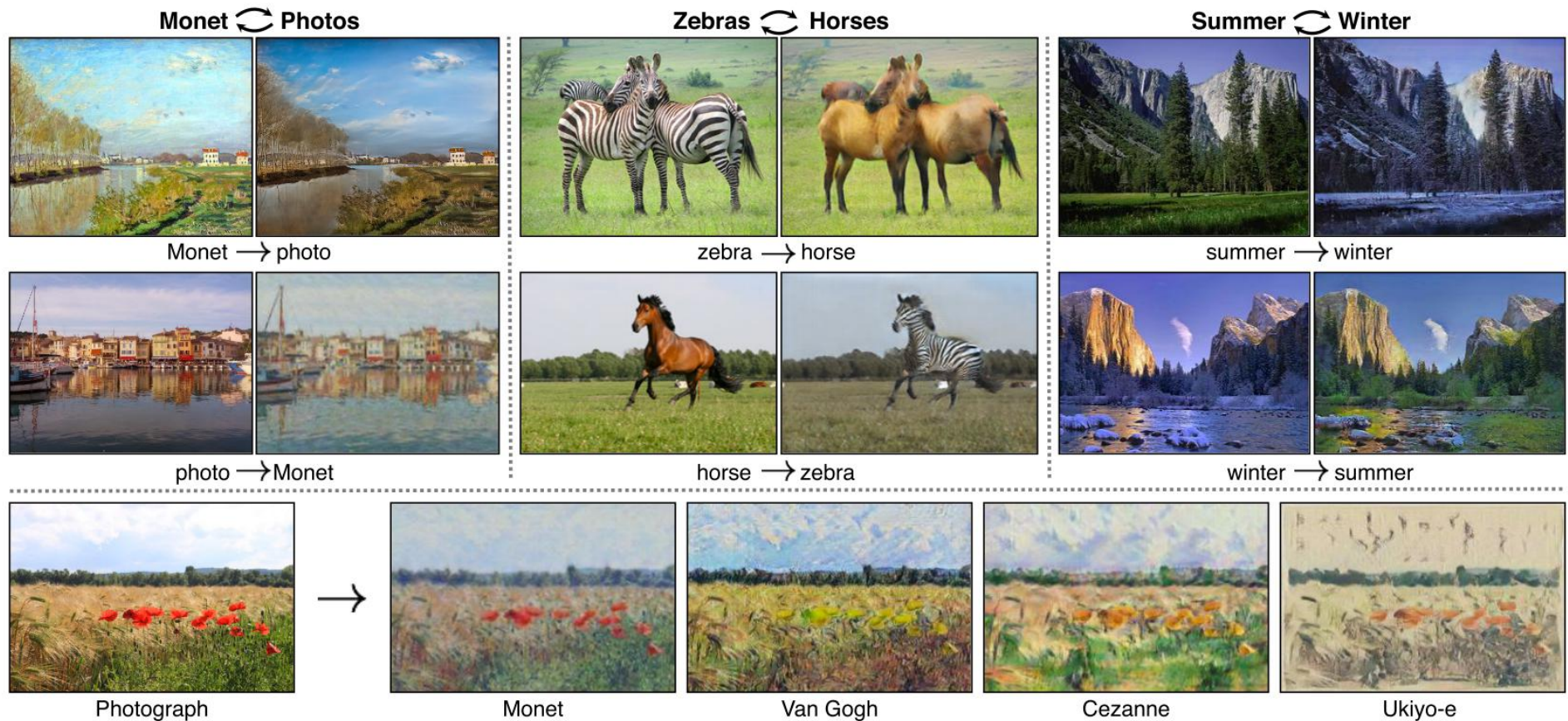


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- Importance of cycle-consistency loss



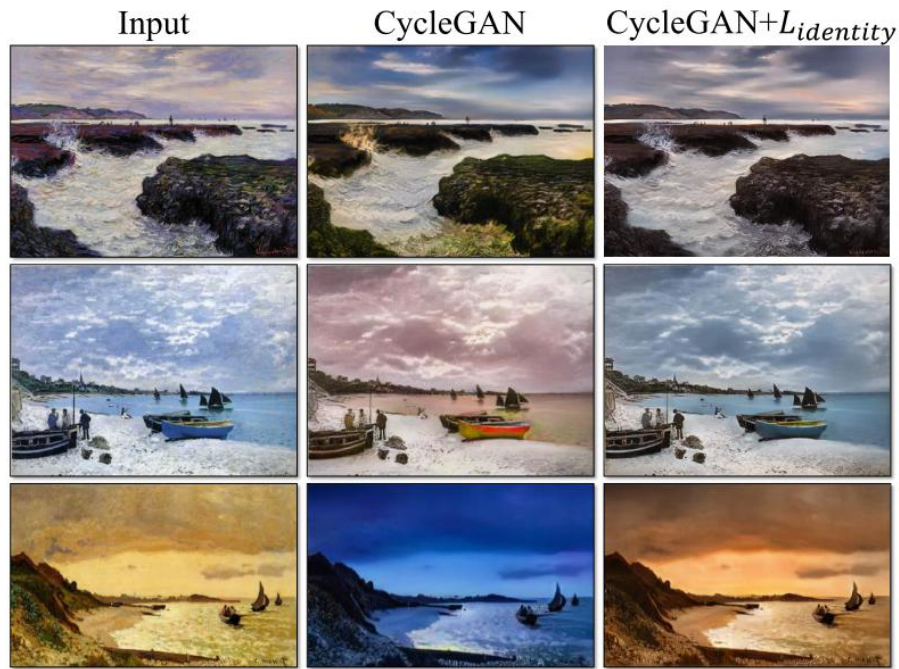
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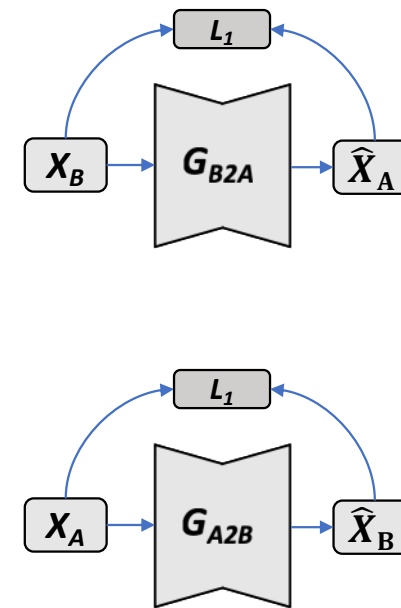
Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation using Cycle-Consistent Adversarial Networks. *J. Zhu, T. Park et al. ICCV 2017.*

# CycleGAN, DualGAN, DiscoGAN and UNIT

- Identity loss

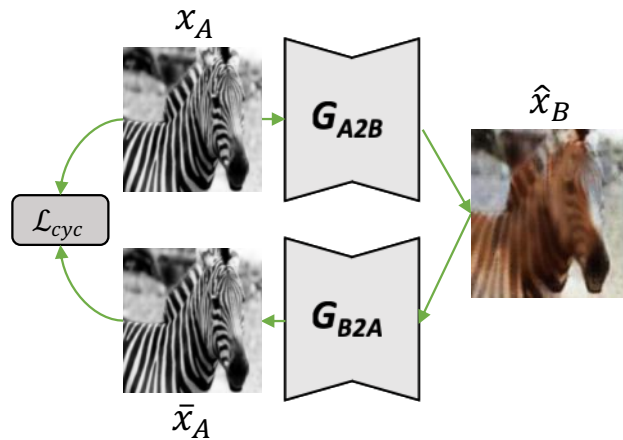


Monet → Photo



# CycleGAN, DualGAN, DiscoGAN and UNIT

- Limitation of Cycle Consistency Loss



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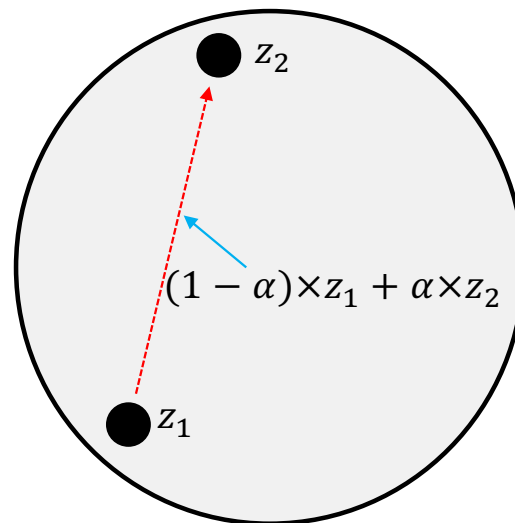
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# Walking on the Latent Space

- Linear Interpolation



Linear walk on latent space

- Start point  $z_1$
- End point  $z_2$
- Step size  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$
- Synthesised image  $\hat{x} = G(z)$

# Walking on the Latent Space

- Random Linear Walk on the Latent Space of StyleGAN (a big GAN 2019)



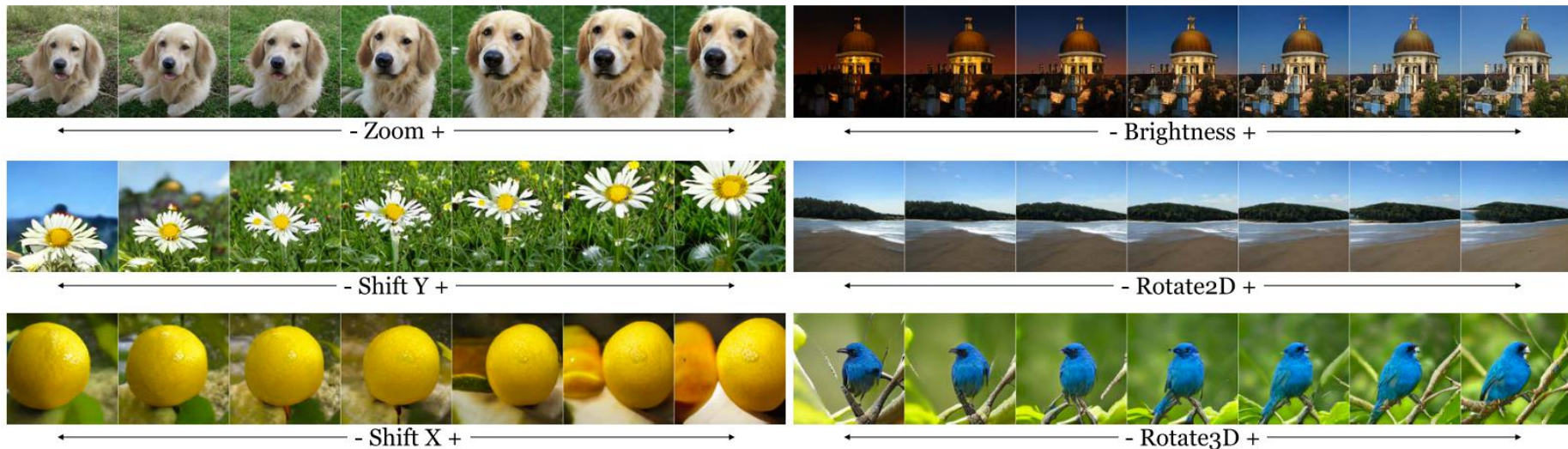
$$\hat{x} = G(z)$$

artifact in the space

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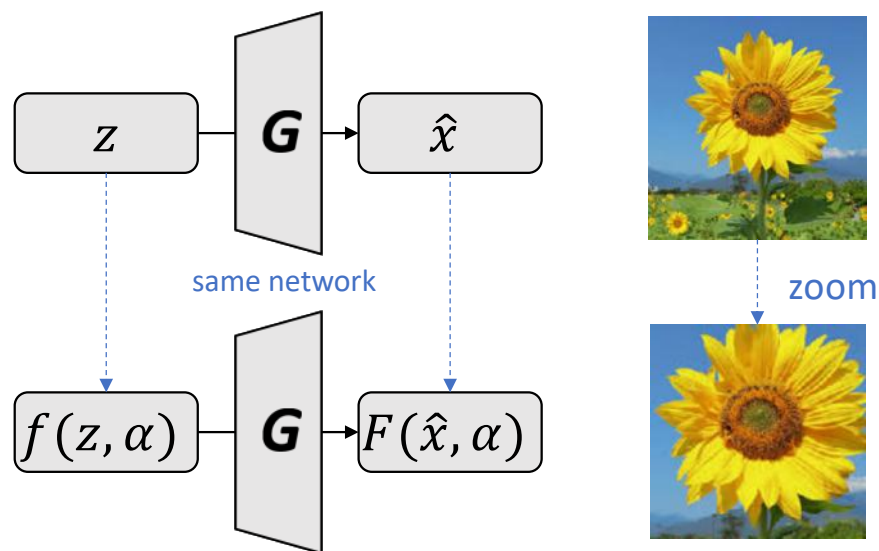
- **Beyond Random Walk: How to Control the Walking on the Latent Space?**
  - Given the prior knowledge: the transformation functions (zoom, shift ..) on image space
  - Find the corresponding function on the latent space





## Walking on the Latent Space

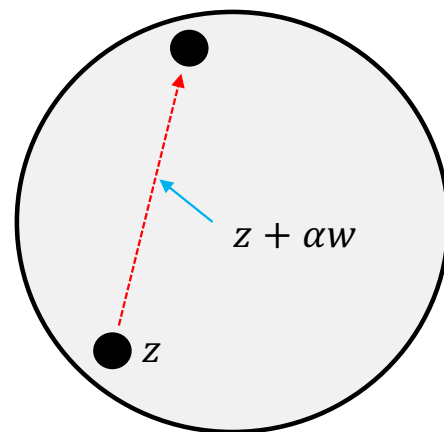
- Transformation on Image Space == Transformation on Latent Space



- Given
  - 1. image transformation function  $F$ 
    - shifting, zooming, brightness ...
    - $\alpha$  controls the degree
  - 2. pre-trained generator  $G$
- Find latent transformation  $f$

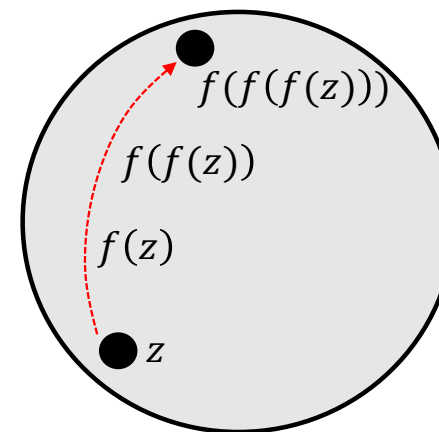
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- Latent Transformation Function



Linear walk on latent space

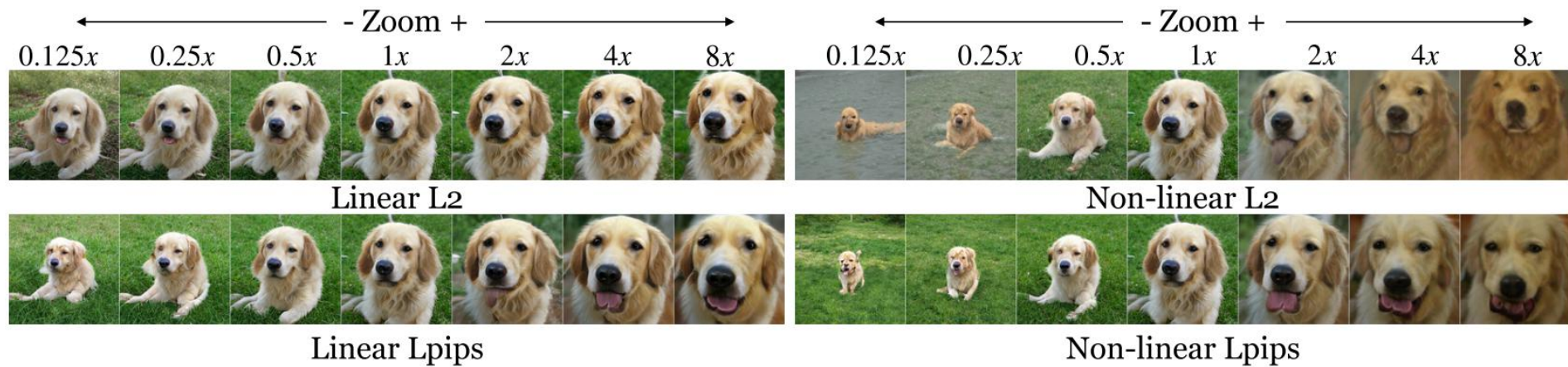
or



Non-linear walk on latent space  
Function is a neural networks

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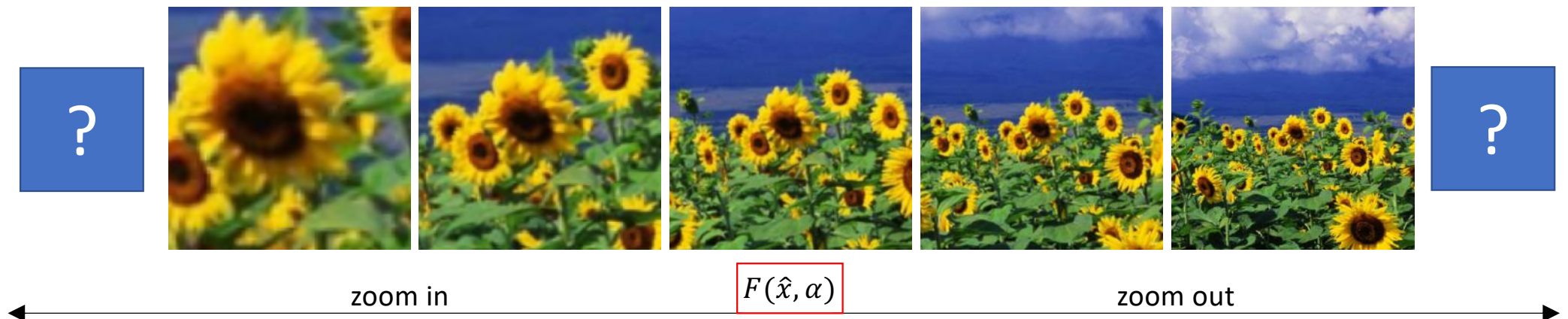
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Comparison of linear and nonlinear walks for the zoom operation. The linear walk undershoots the targeted level of transformation, but maintains more realistic output.

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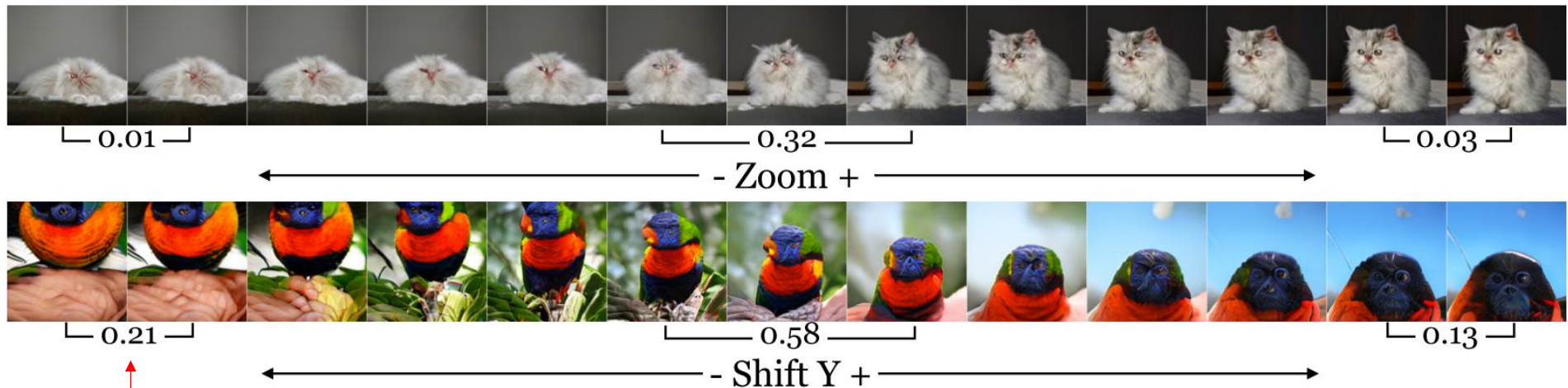
- Discussion: Can We Zoom In/Out an Object Infinitely?



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- Latent Transformation Limits

$$G(f(z, \alpha))$$

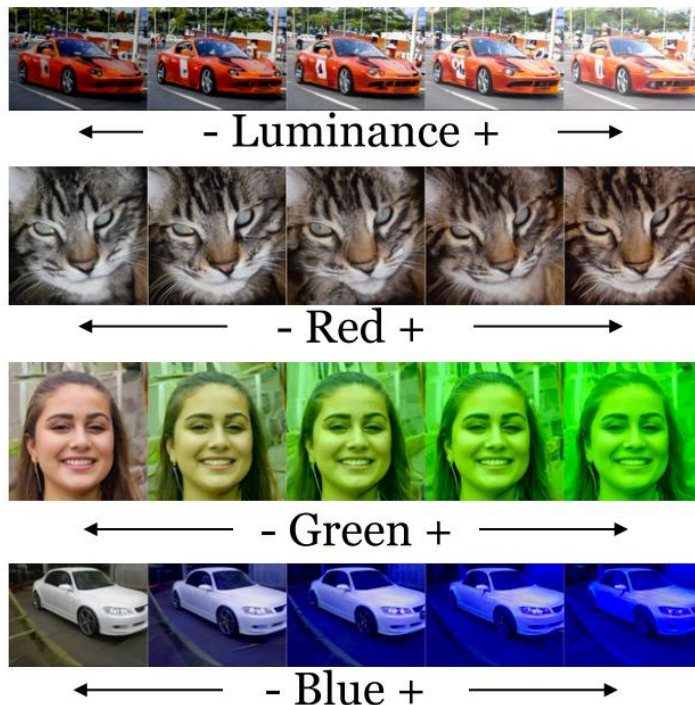


Reach the limit, the image starts to deviate from the natural image manifold

we can transform images to some degree but cannot extrapolate entirely outside the support of the training data.

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- **Discussion: Did GANs really learn to generate new data?**
  - After learning the concepts of luminance, color, brightness?

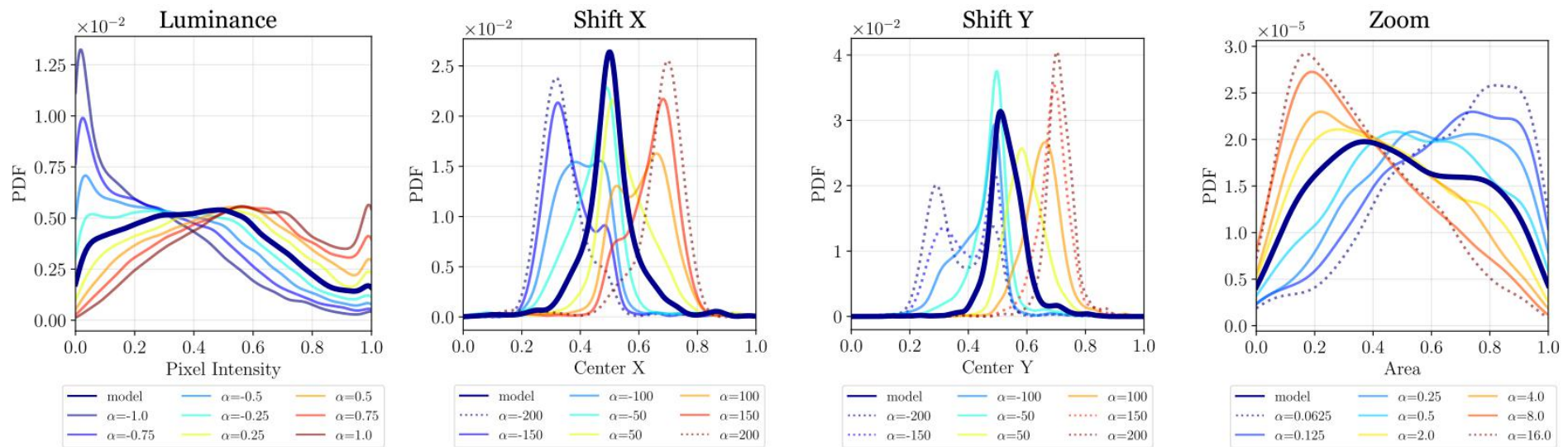


Does not exist on the original dataset

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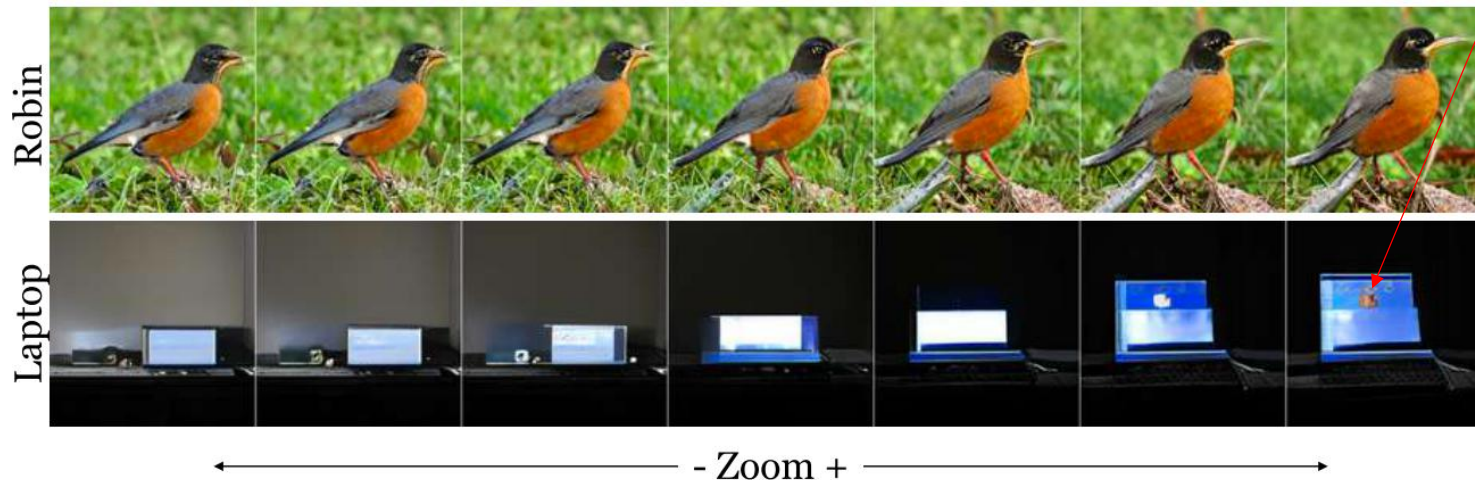
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- **Discussion: Image Transformation vs. Latent Transformation**

- Latent space is a prior distribution, so data points in latent space always generate “plausible” images i.e., the prior distribution is a constraint
- Latent transformation uses the generator as a “memory”:

Generate sth on the screen which does not exist on the original image

$$G(f(z, \alpha))$$



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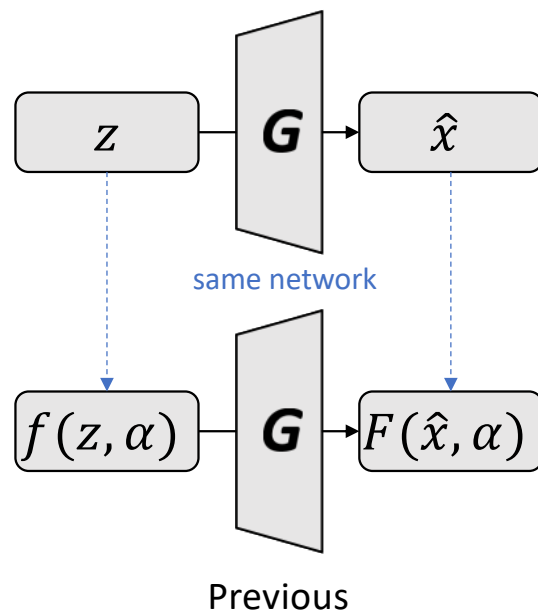


GANs learn to generate new data, they able to generalise outside of the training distribution in some degree

## Walking on the Latent Space

- A “Steerability” Application: GANalyze

- Previous: From Image Transformation to Latent Transformation
- Now: Differentiable Assessor (e.g., classifier/regressor) to Latent Transformation

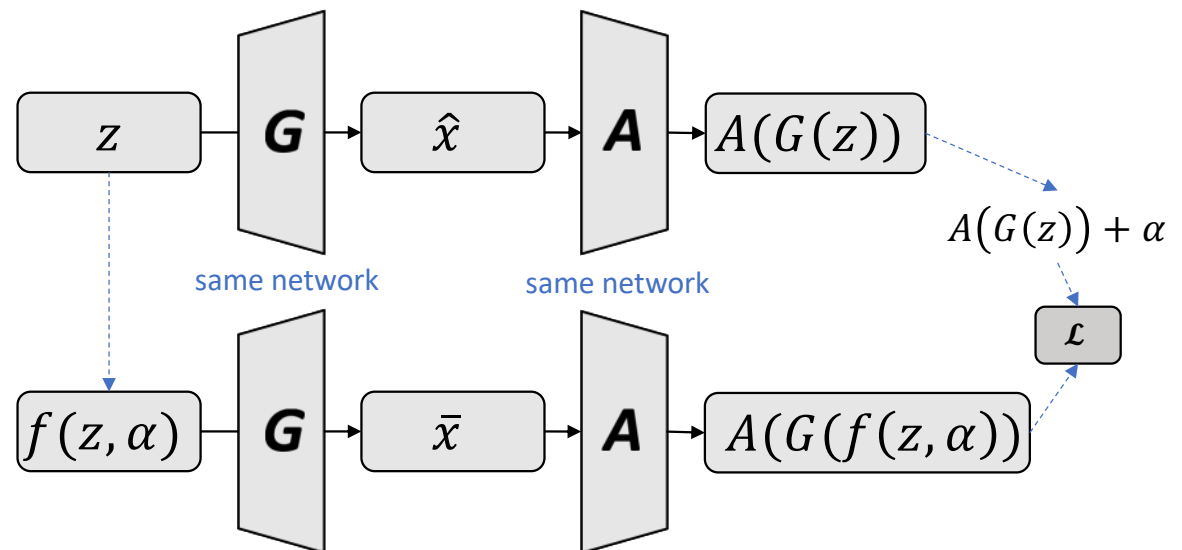


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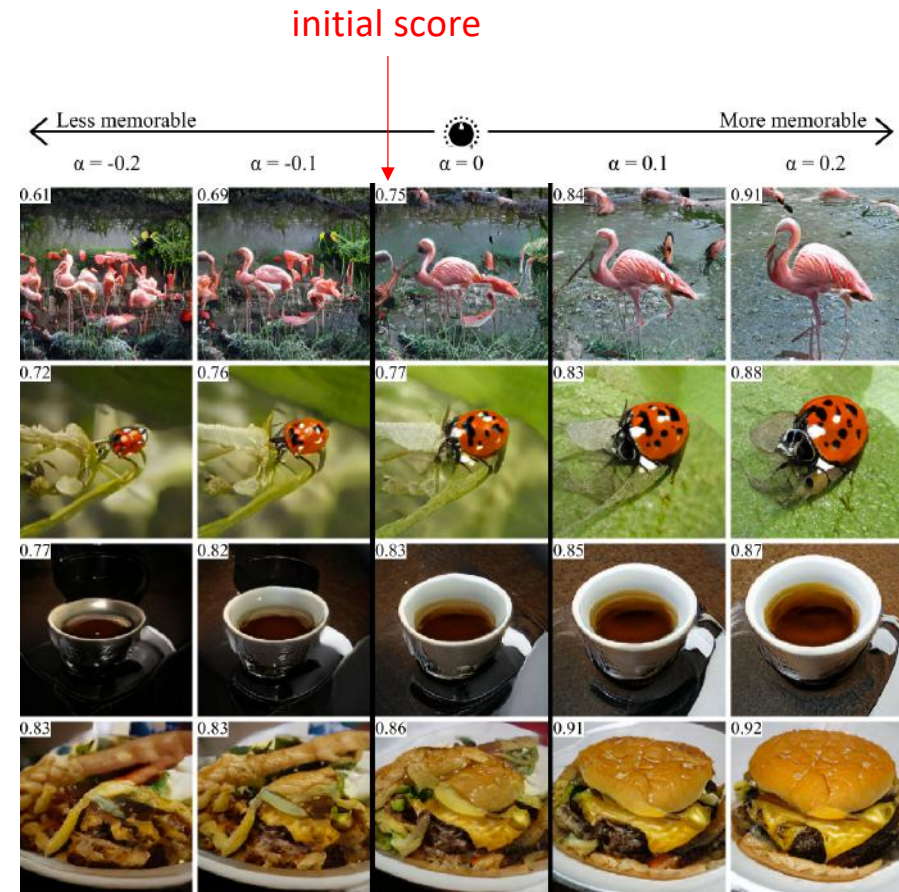
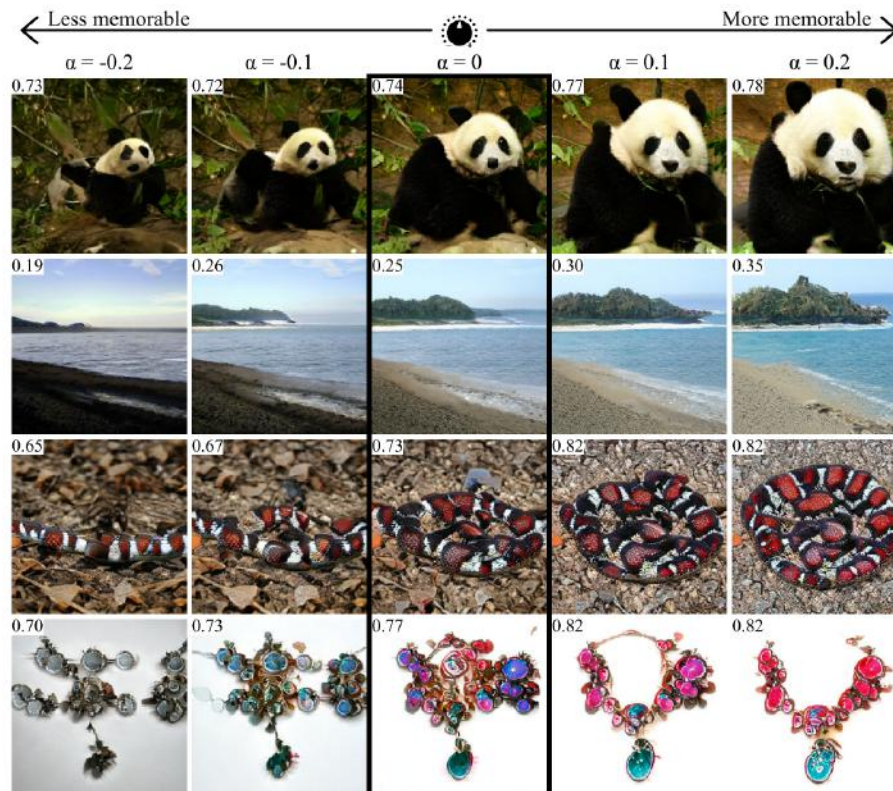
- Given:
  - a pretrained MemNet as the Accessor  $A$  (tell how memorable the images are)
  - a pretrained Generator  $G$
  - $\alpha$  controls how to change the memorable score
- Find latent transformation  $f$

Learn to change the score  $A(G(z))$  by learning to change the latent space



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- Discussion: Why it works?
  - The accessor network is **differentiable**, so the latent transformer can “feel” how to change the latent code
  - Similar to “steerability”, the latent space is a **prior distribution**, which is a constraint to ensure that the generator always generate “plausible” image. The generator would not generate a strange image to fool the accessor.
- Prior knowledge is always required
  - “steerability”: image transformation functions
  - GANalyze: a pretrained accessor
  - ... more applications ... face editing with facial feature scorer ...

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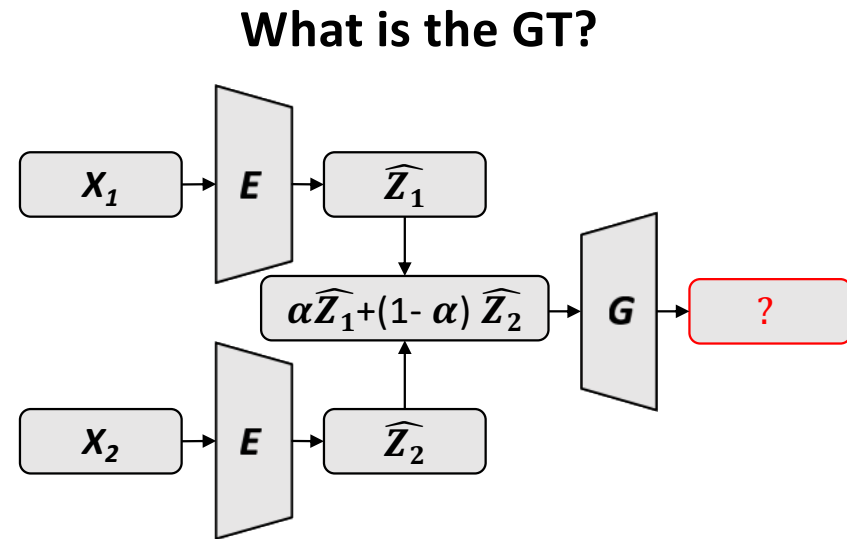
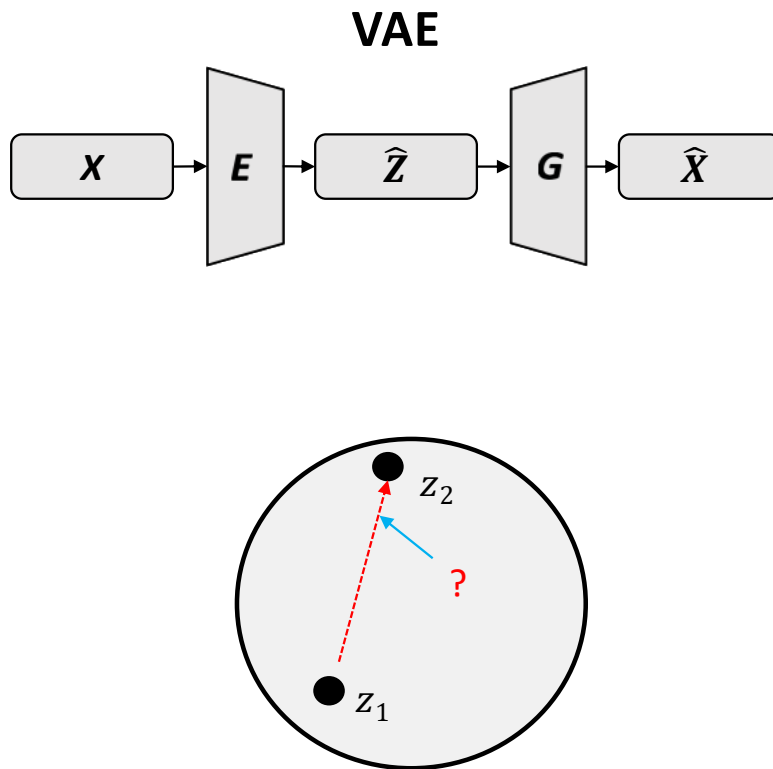
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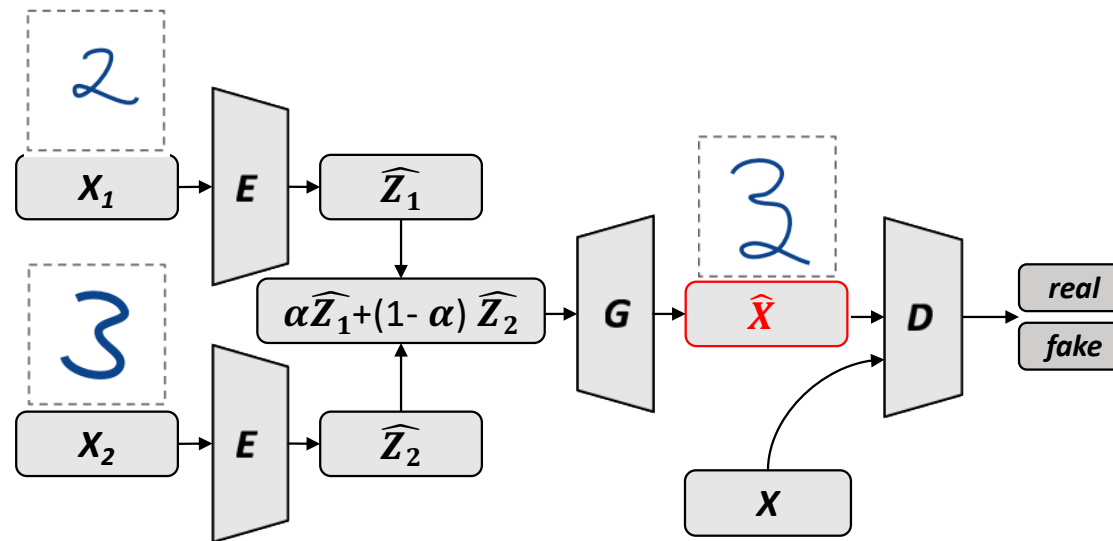
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Understanding and Improving Interpolation in Autoencoders via an Adversarial Regularizer.  
David, Berthelot. Colin, Raffel. Aurko, Roy. Ian, Goodfellow. arXiv 2019



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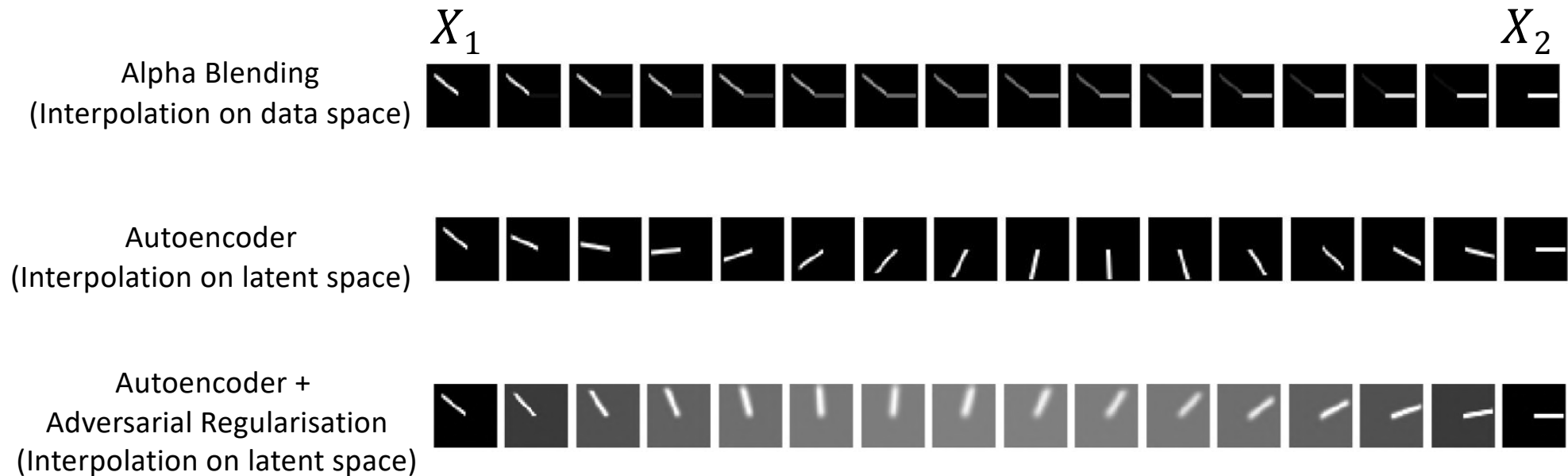
- **Experiments**

Training data: random clock



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