

CLR-GAN: Improving GANs Stability and Quality via Consistent Latent Representation and Reconstruction

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Image Synthesis using GANs

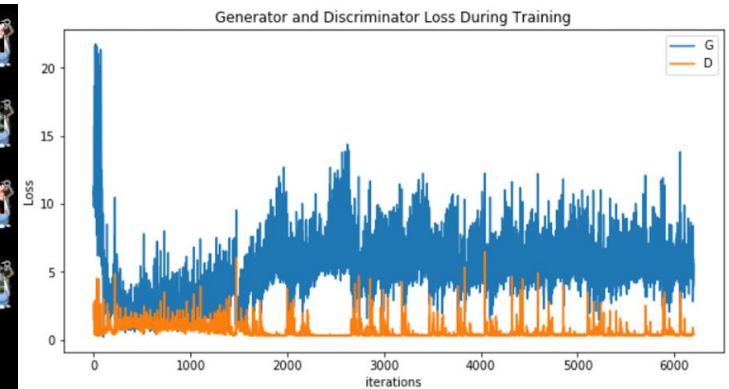
- Pros

- Fast inference
- High quality
- Easy to edit



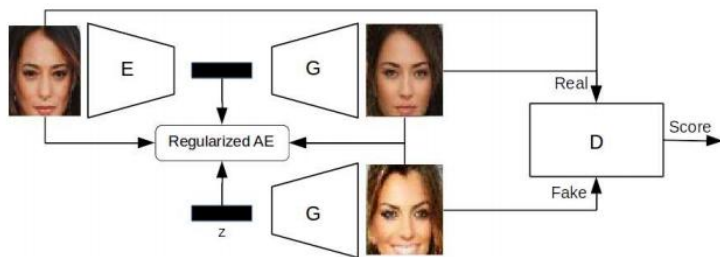
- Cons

- Hard to train
- Mode collapse

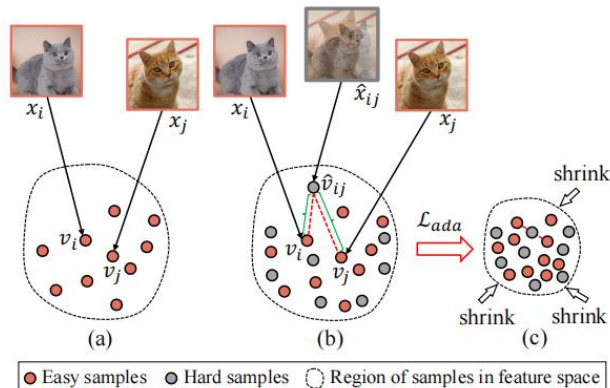


Related Works

- Discriminator based

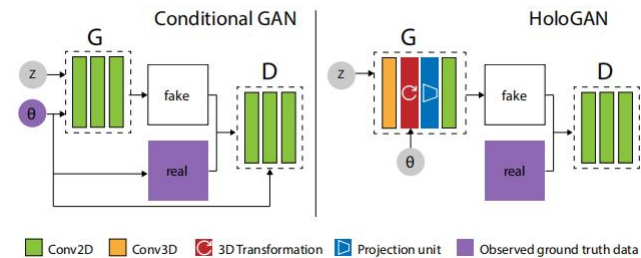
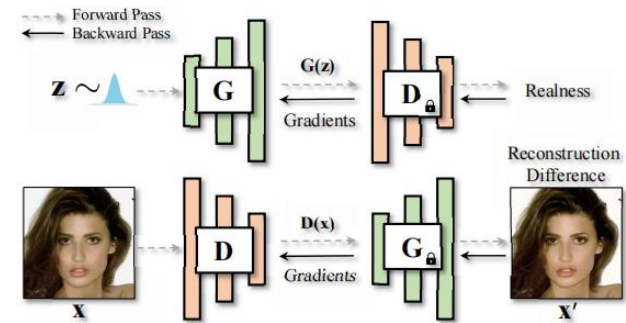


Regulize Discriminator



Build Hard Samples

- Reconstruction based

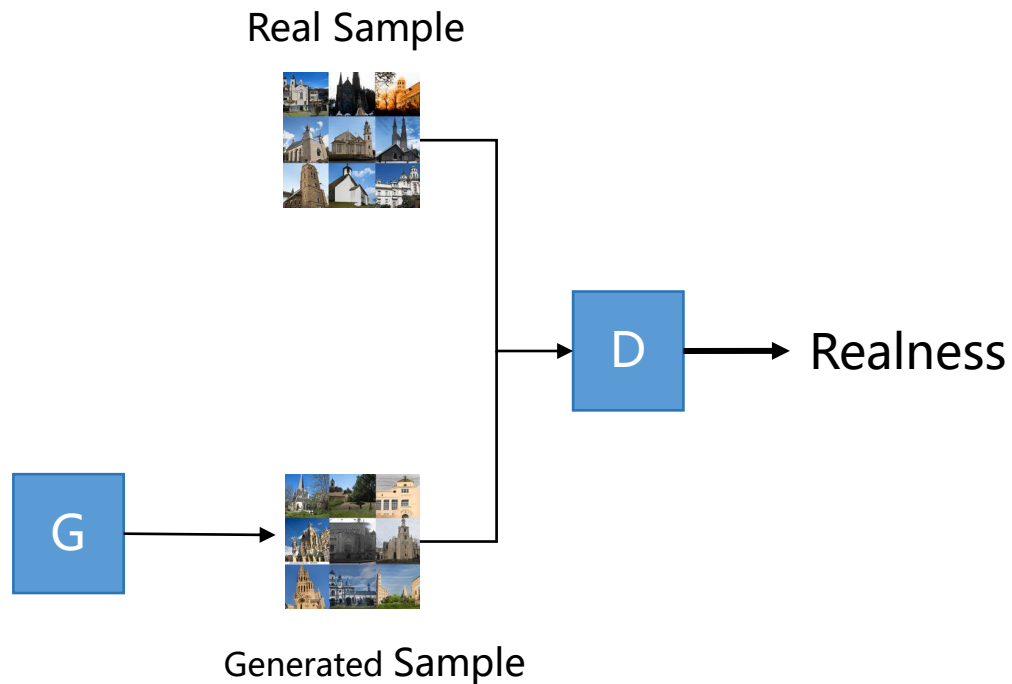


Constrain Discriminator

Delve into the paradigm

- Gradient Perspective
 - All gradient comes from D
 - Training D first

- Makes D a natural dominant

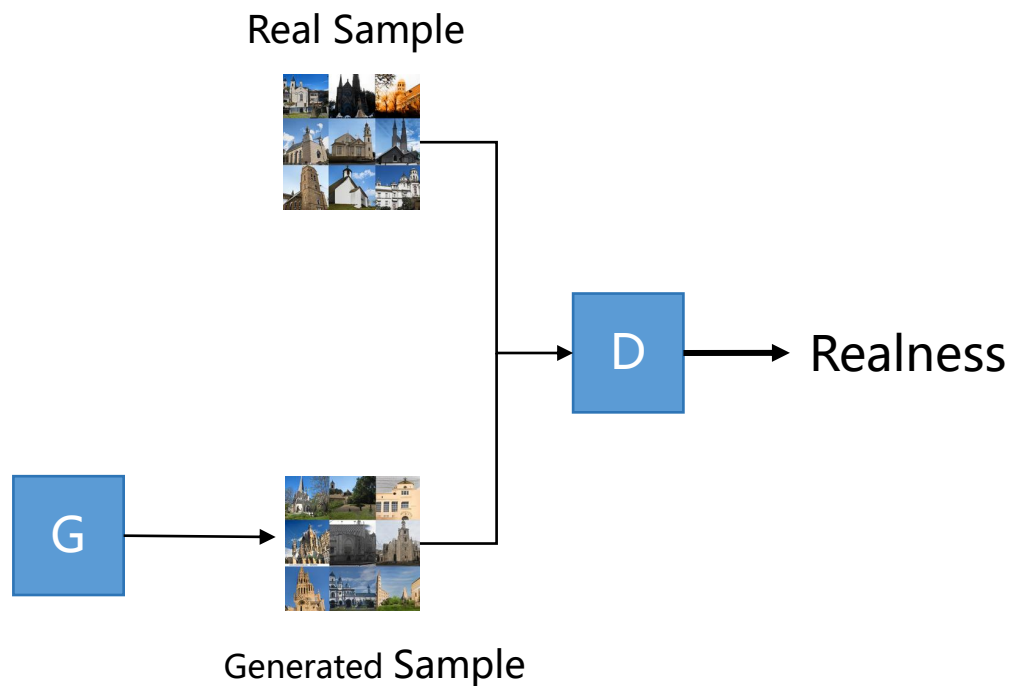


$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$$

Training Objective

Delve into the paradigm

- Data Perspective
 - Only D has access to data
 - G only update according to D
 - Gradient space more abstract



- G lacks of priors

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Training Objective

How to stabilize training from the above perspectives?

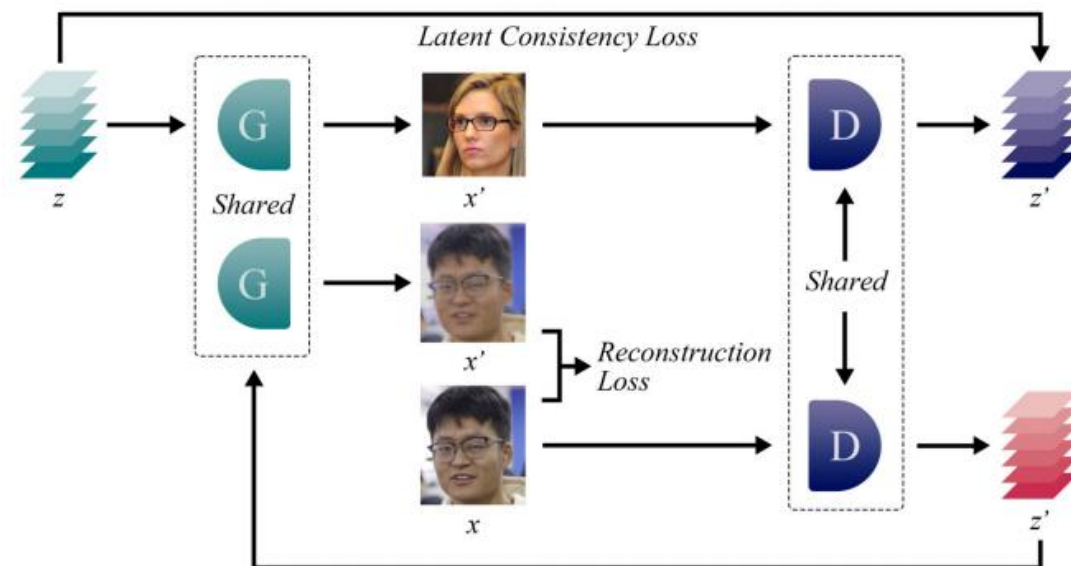
Proposed Method—CLR-GAN

- To constrain the D using gradient from G
 - Reconstruction Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{rec} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|I(x) - I_{rec}\|_1$$

- To make G has access to real data distribution
 - Latent Consistency Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{CLR} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|z_i - \phi(x_i)\|_1$$



Theoretical Analysis

- Training D with fixed G

$$\nabla_{\theta_d} V(D) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\nabla_{\theta_d} \log D(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x, z} \text{sign}(D(x) - z)$$

- Reduce the gradient
- Alleviate gradient explosion

- Training G with fixed D

$$\nabla_{\theta_g} V(G) = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z} [\nabla_{\theta_d, \theta_g} \log D(1 - D(G(z)))] + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} \text{sign}(G(D(x)) - x)$$

- Enhance the gradient
- Alleviate gradient vanish

Experimental & Visualization Results

Learning Objective	CelebA	CIFAR-10
WGAN [1]	36.47	55.96
HingeGAN [54]	25.57	42.4
LSGAN [36]	30.76	42.01
DCGAN [40]	27.02	38.56
WGAN-GP [14]	70.28	41.86
Realness GAN-Obj.1 [49]	-	36.73
Realness GAN-Obj.2 [49]	23.51	34.59
Realness GAN-Obj.3 [49]	-	36.21
AdaptiveMix [32]	12.43	30.85
CLR-GAN(Ours)	13.63	23.3

GLeaD LSUN-Church



CLR-GAN LSUN-Church



StyleGAN2-ADA AFHQ-Cat



CLR-GAN AFHQ-Cat



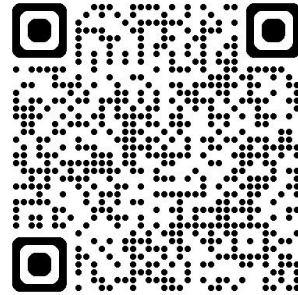
Method	AFHQ-Cat			FFHQ			LSUN Church		
	FID ↓	P ↑	R ↑	FID ↓	P ↑	R ↑	FID ↓	P ↑	R ↑
StyleGAN-V2 [22]	7.92	0.68	0.27	3.86	0.68	0.25	4.04	0.58	0.40
LC-Reg [46]	6.70	-	-	3.93	-	-	4.07	-	-
StyleGAN-V2-ADA [19]	6.05	0.66	0.25	4.01	0.66	0.26	4.01	0.61	0.43
StyleGAN-V2-APA [18]	4.88	0.65	0.30	3.75	0.67	0.29	3.92	0.60	0.43
StyleGAN-V2 + Ours	4.79(-3.13)	0.76	0.28	3.44(-0.42)	0.70	0.41	3.52(-0.52)	0.63	0.46
StyleGAN-V2-ADA + Ours	4.45(-0.43)	0.74	0.33	3.37(-0.64)	0.71	0.44	3.43(-0.58)	0.61	0.48

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