

(W)GANs

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Why produce samples?



Is artificial intelligence set to become art's next medium?

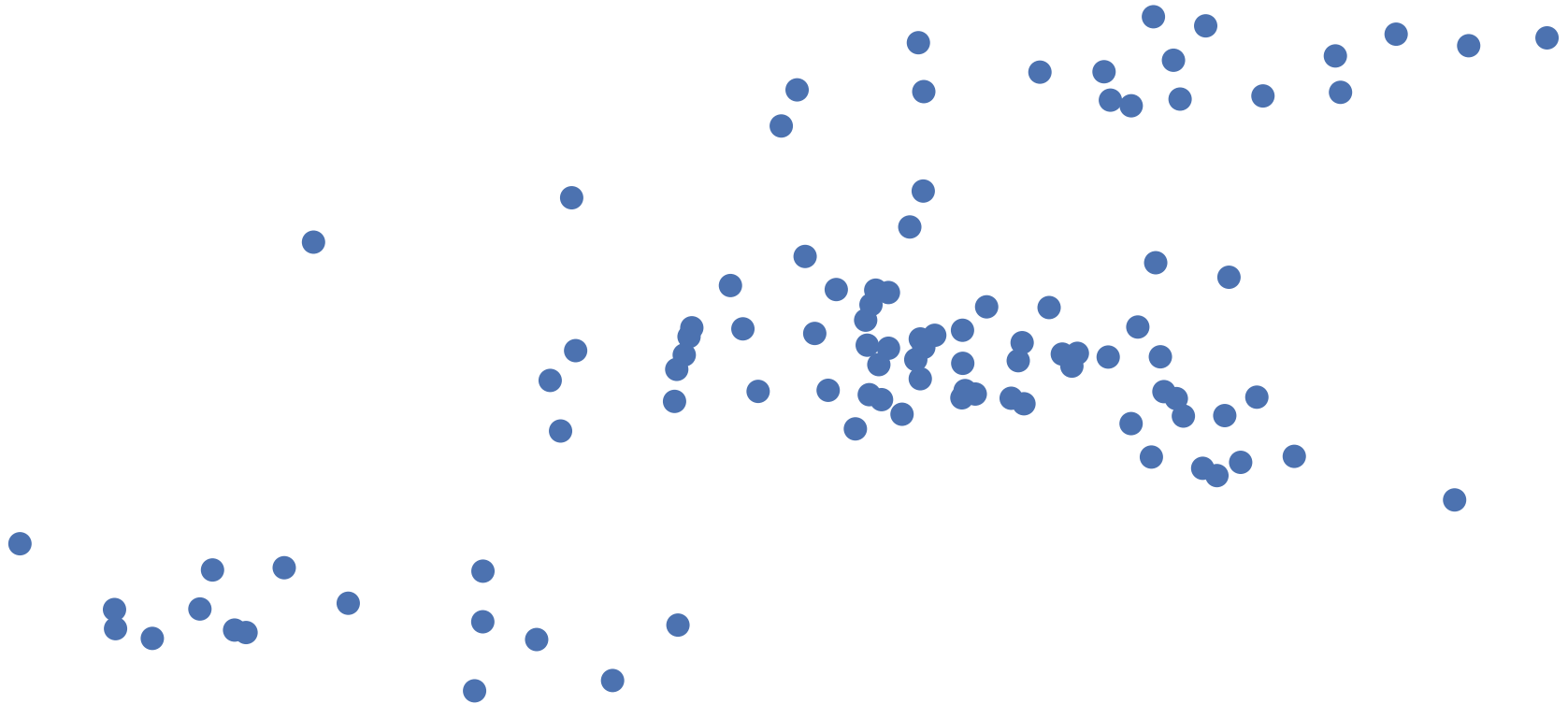
AI artwork sells for \$432,500 — nearly 45 times its high estimate — as Christie's becomes the first auction house to offer a work of art created by an algorithm

The portrait in its gilt frame depicts a portly gentleman, possibly French and — to judge by his dark frockcoat and plain white collar — a man of the church. The work appears unfinished: the facial features are somewhat indistinct and there are blank areas of canvas. Oddly, the whole composition is displaced slightly to the north-west. A label on the wall states that the sitter is a man named Edmond Belamy, but the giveaway clue as to the origins of the work is the artist's signature at the bottom right. In cursive Gallic script it reads:

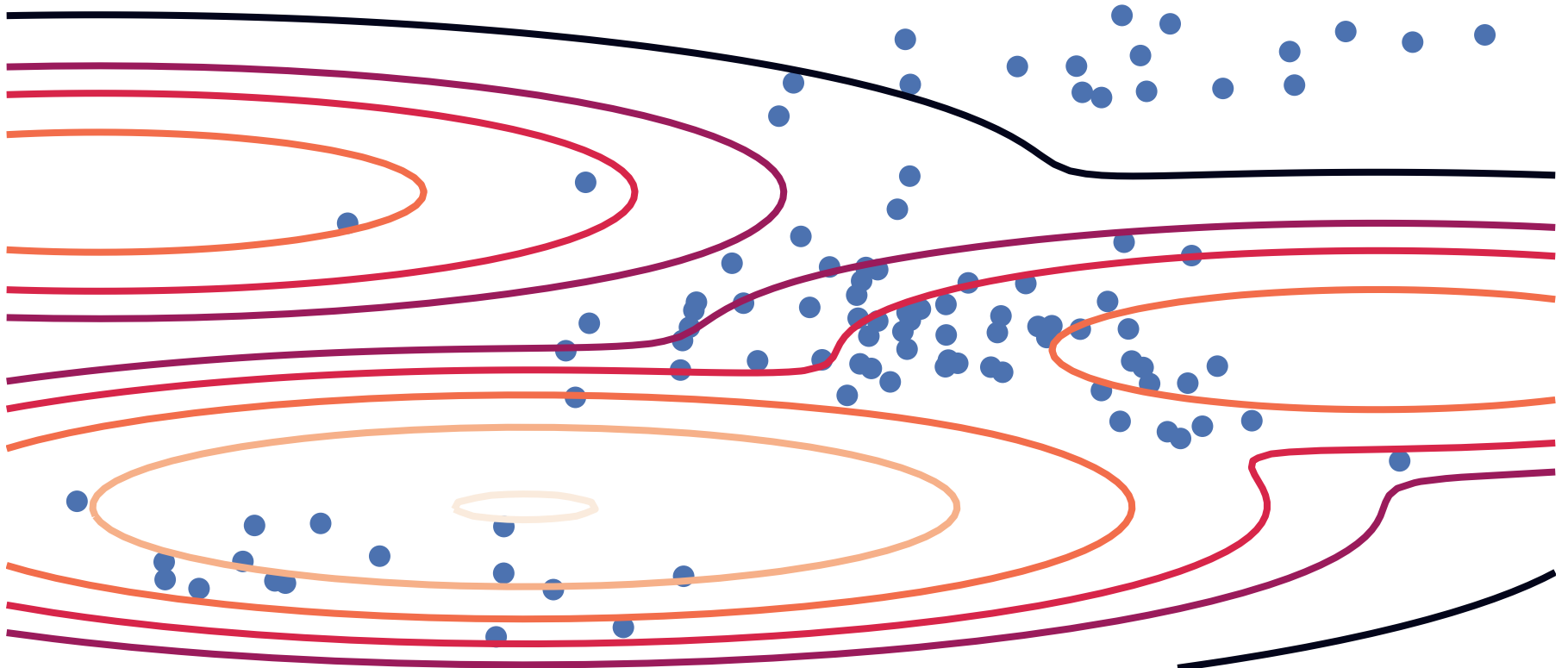
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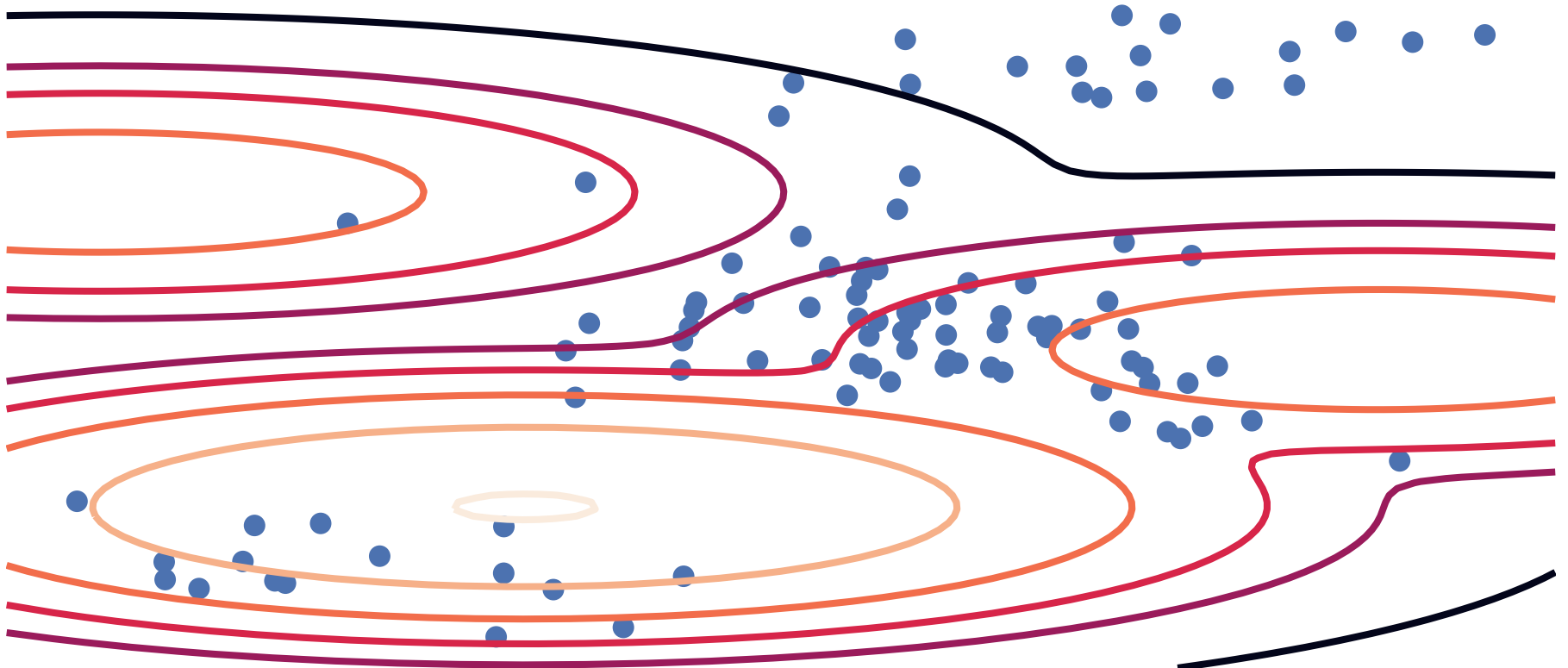
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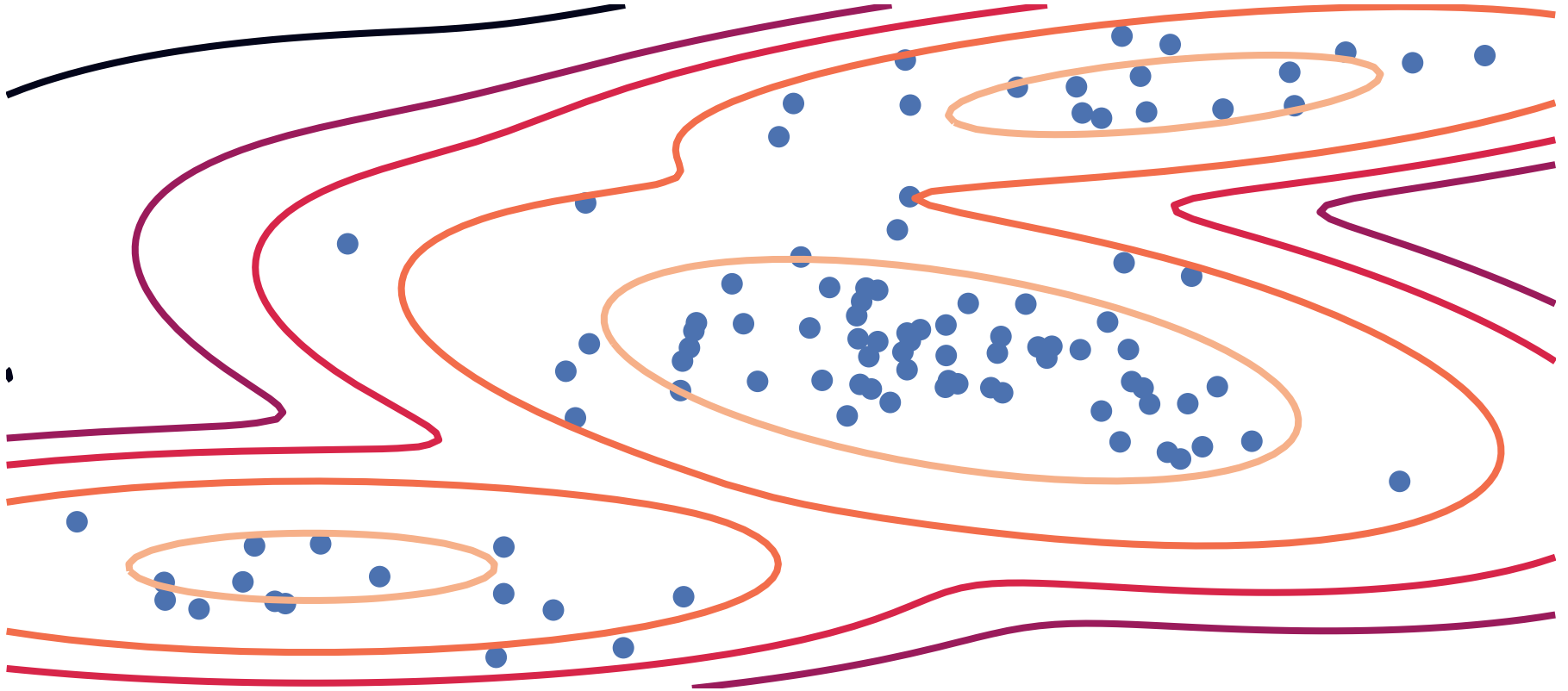


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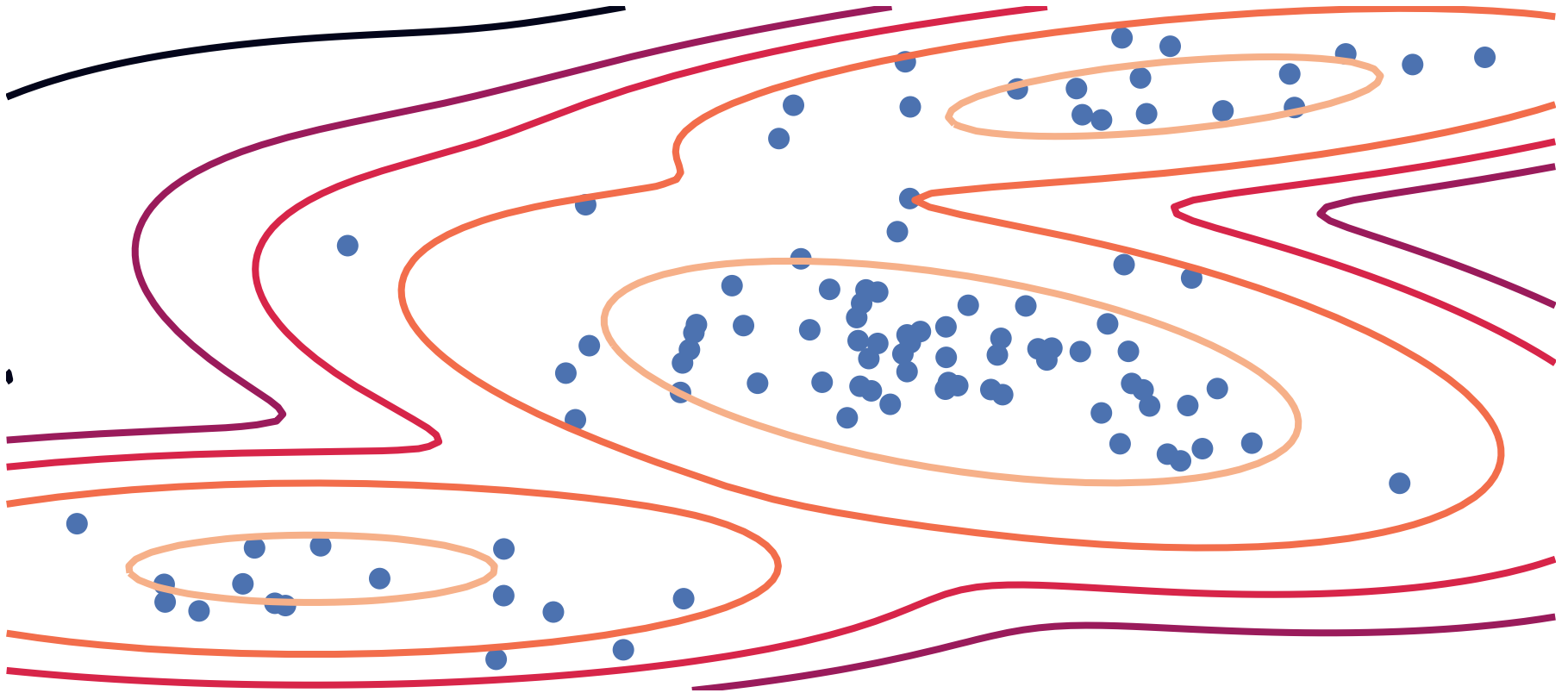
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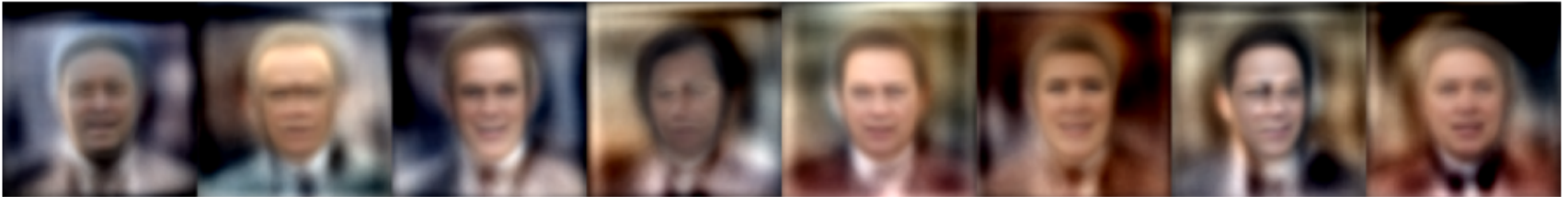
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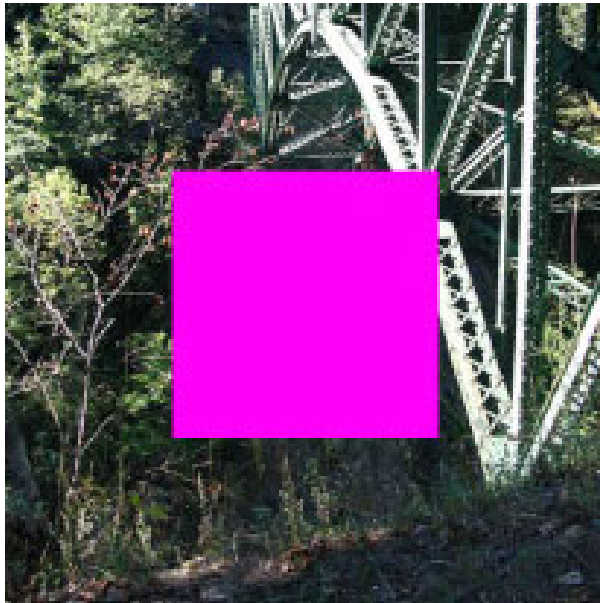


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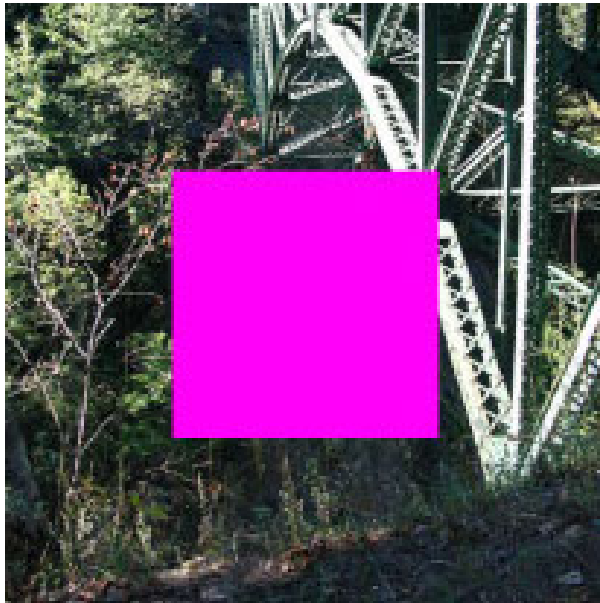
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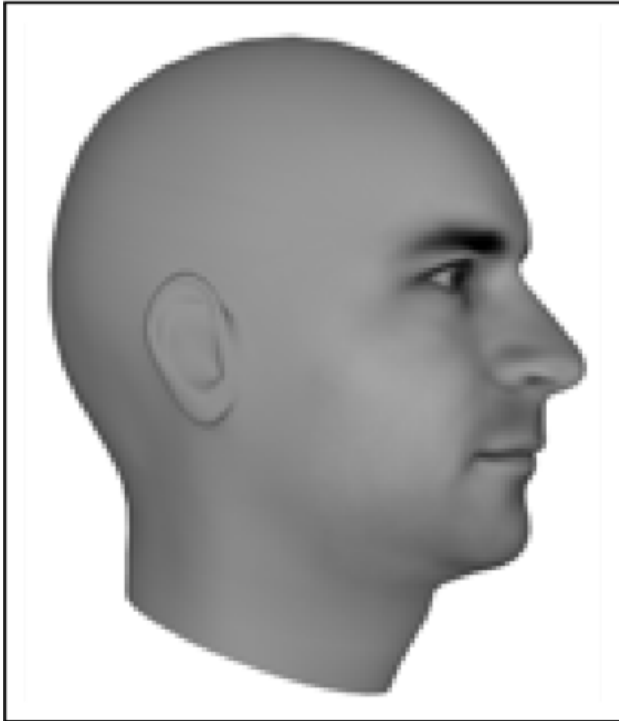
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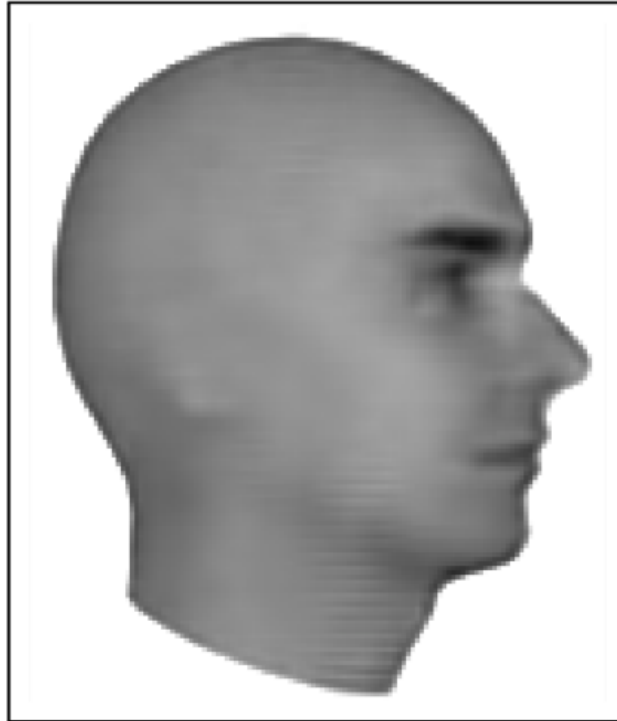
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Next-frame video prediction

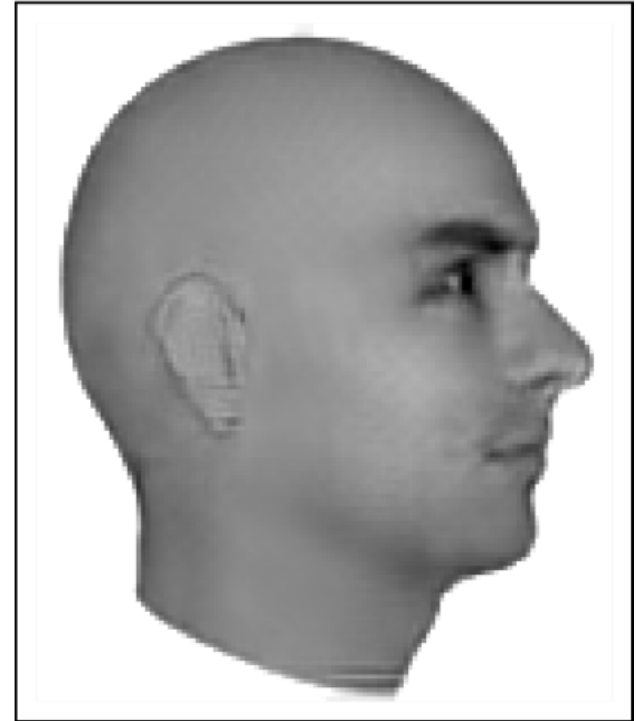
Ground Truth



MSE



Adversarial



[Lotter+ 2016]

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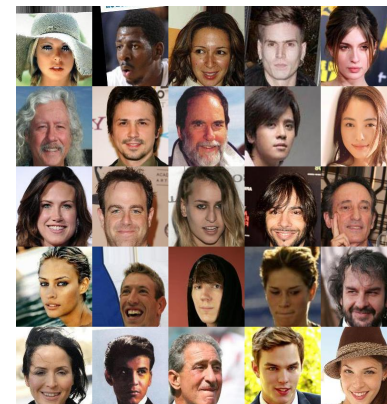


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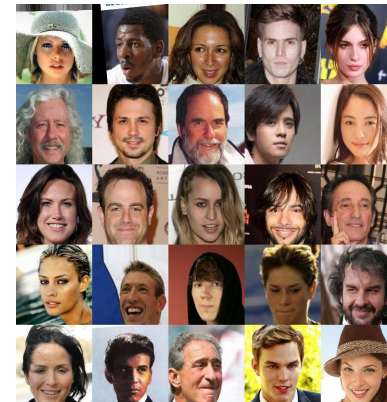
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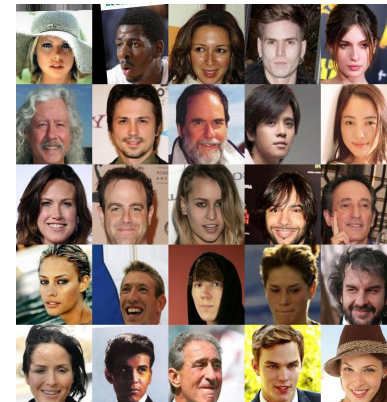


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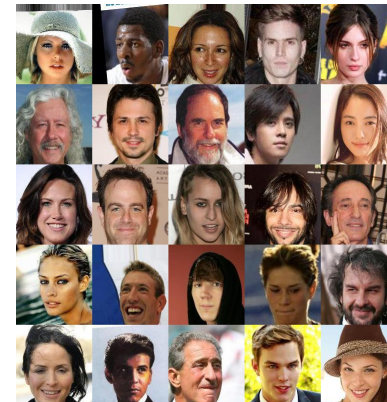
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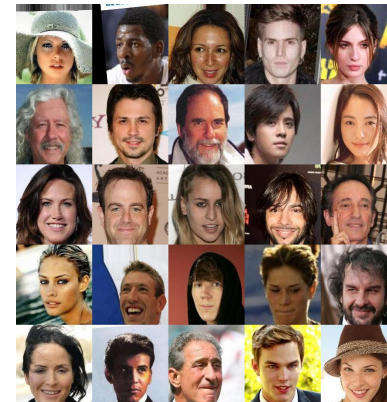
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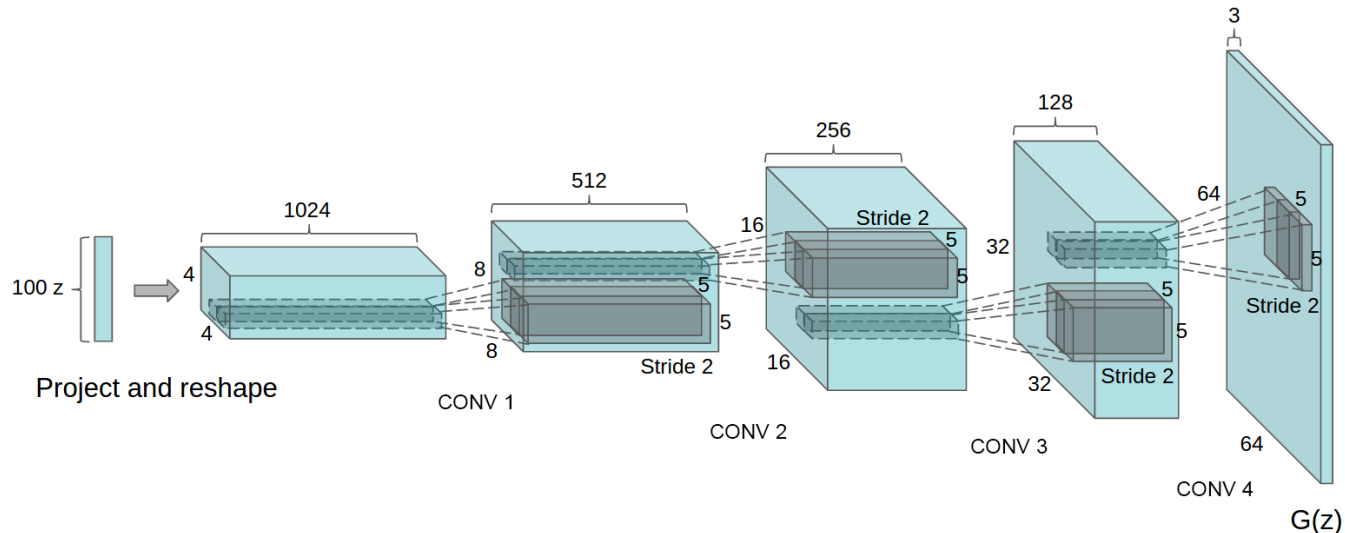
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Generator networks

- How to specify Q_θ ?



[Radford+ ICLR-16]

- $Z \sim \mathcal{Z} = \text{Uniform}([-1, 1]^{100})$
- $G_\theta : [-1, 1]^{100} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}, G_\theta(Z) \sim Q_\theta$

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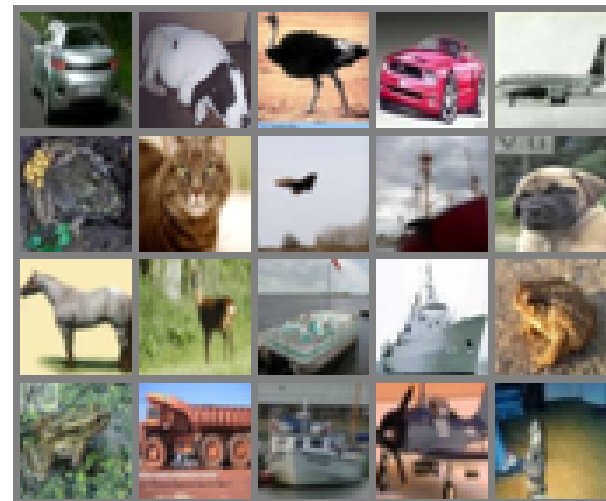
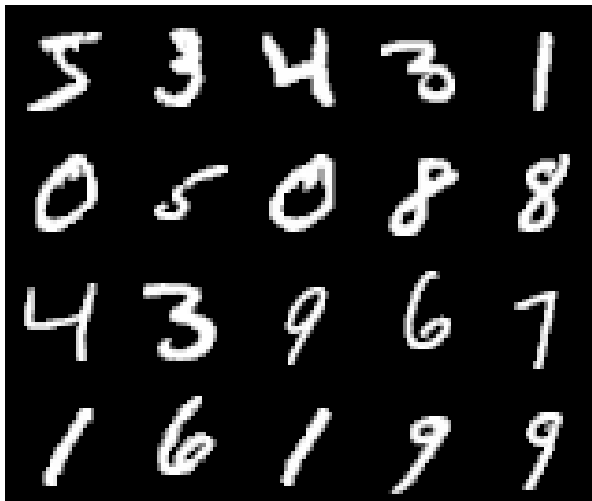
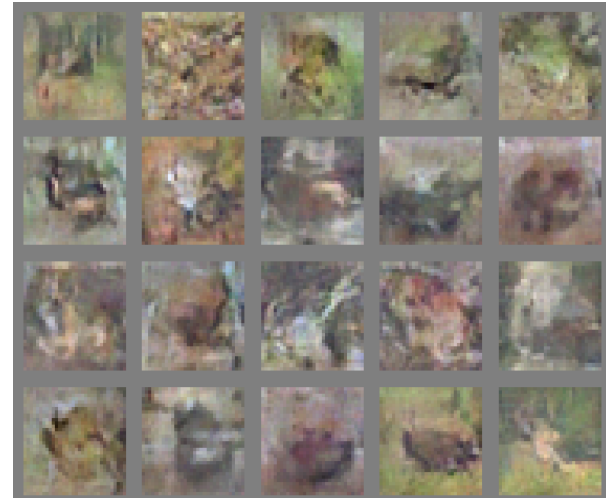
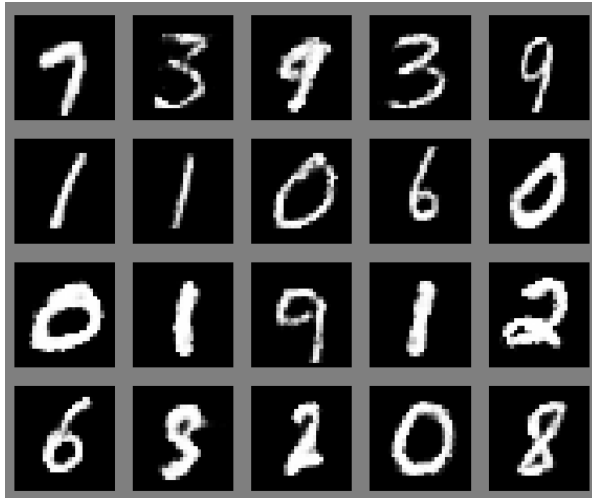
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- Can do alternating gradient descent!

Original paper's results [[Goodfellow+ NeurIPS-14](#)]

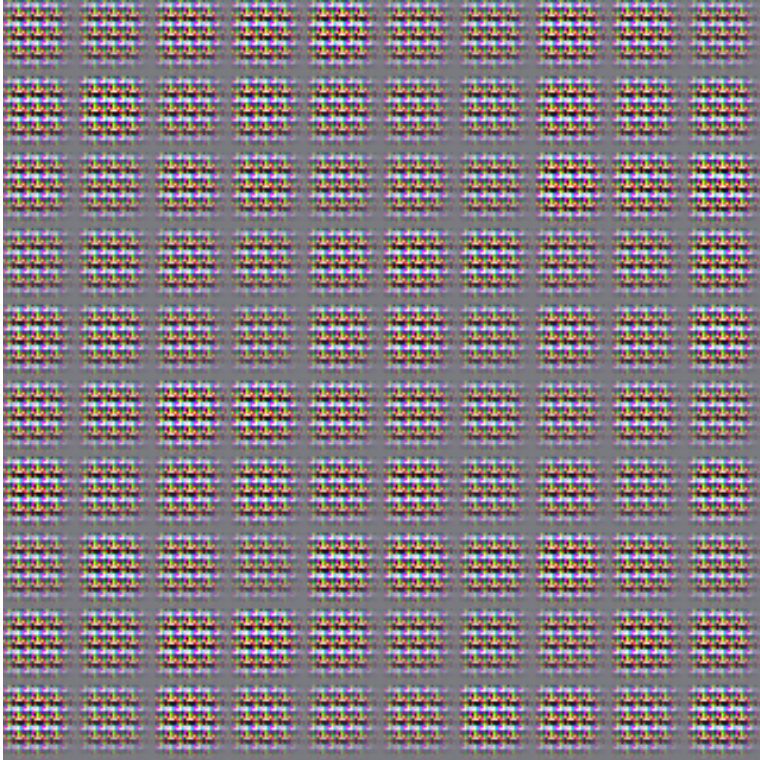


DCGAN results [Radford+ ICLR-16]



Training instability

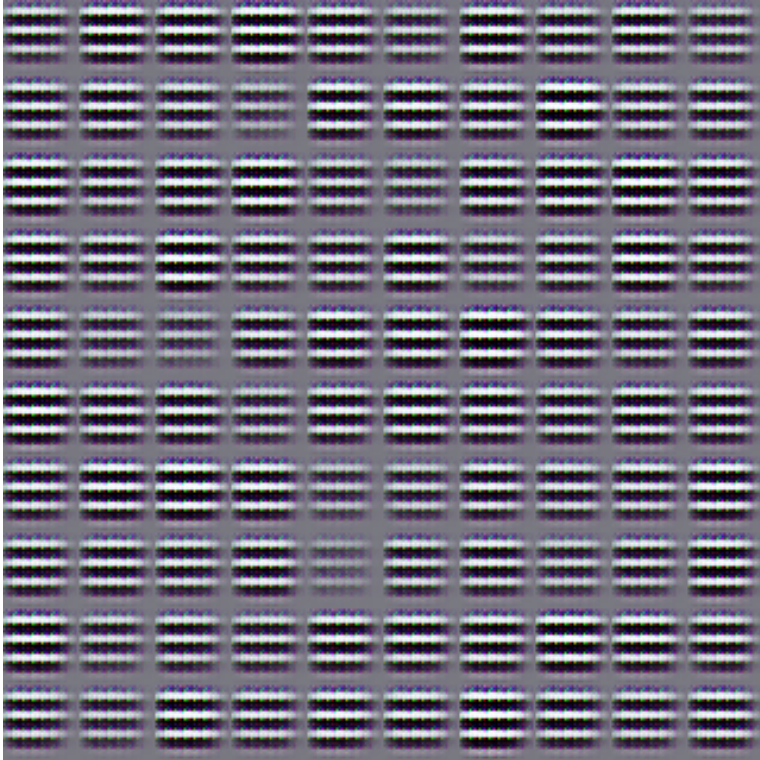
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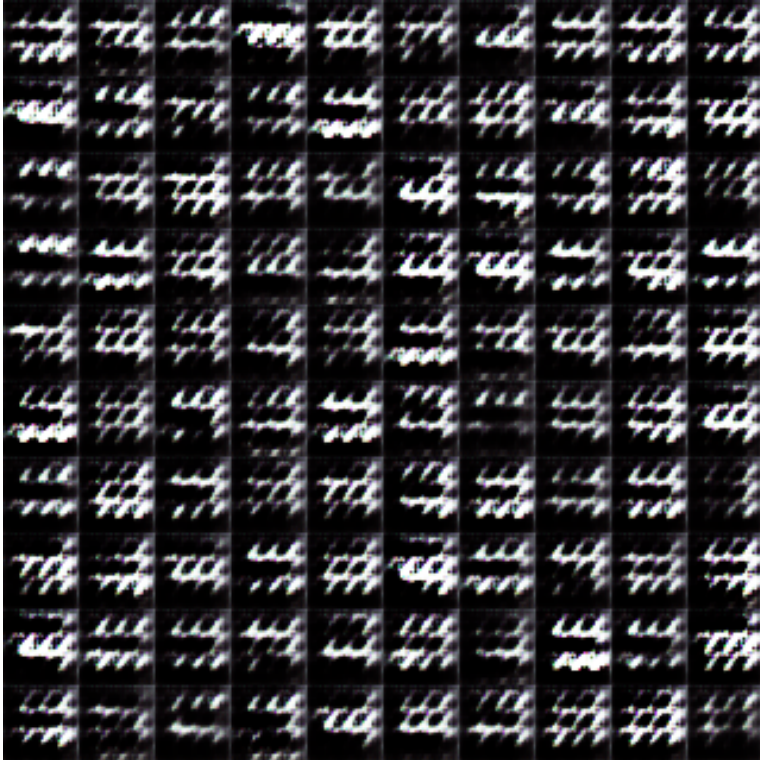
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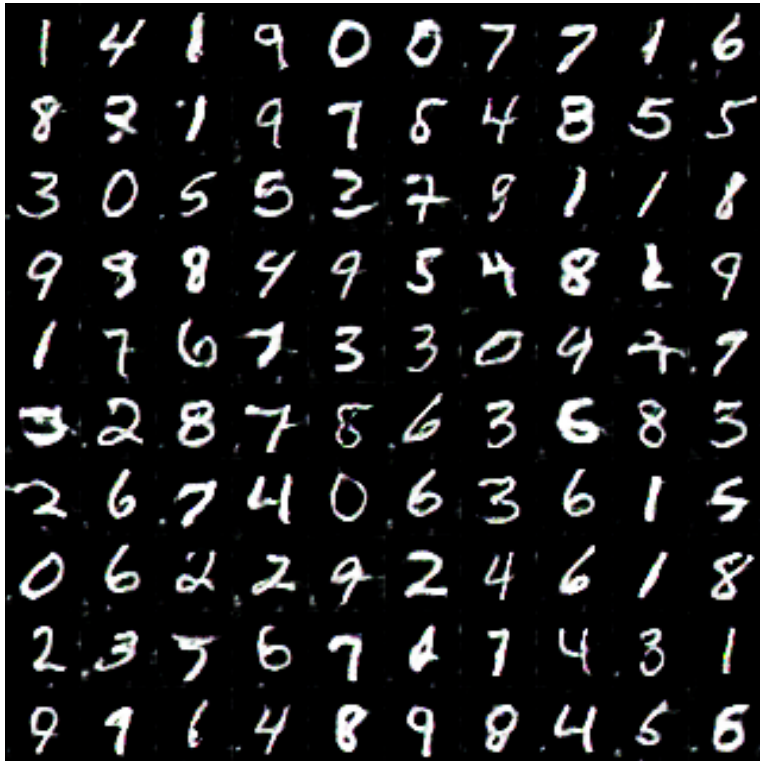
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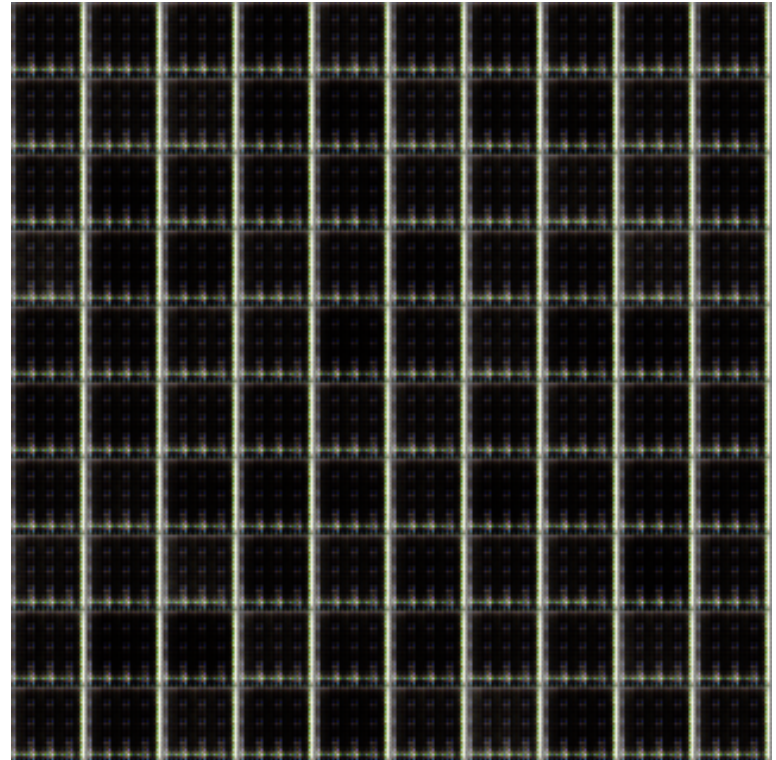
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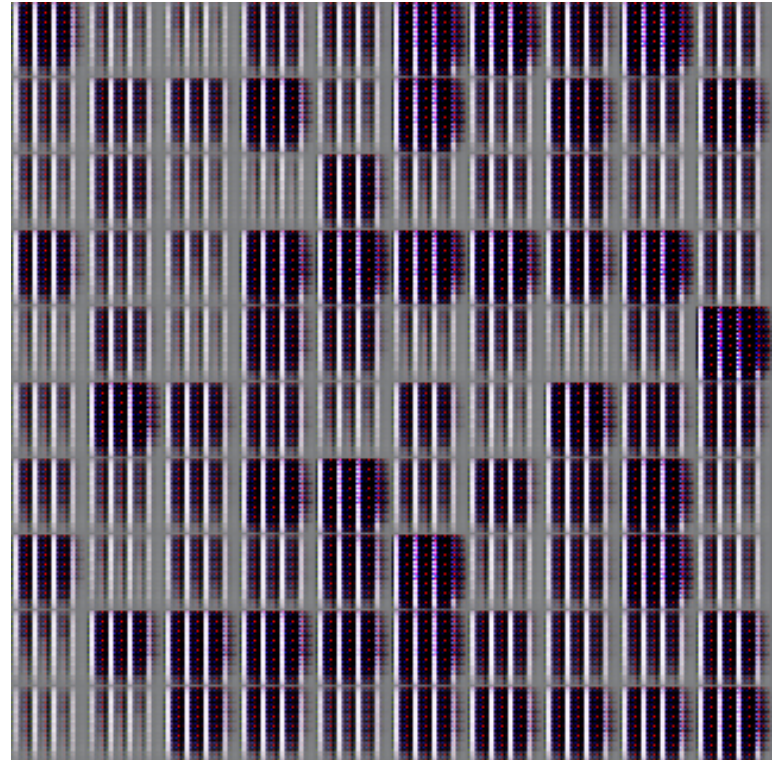
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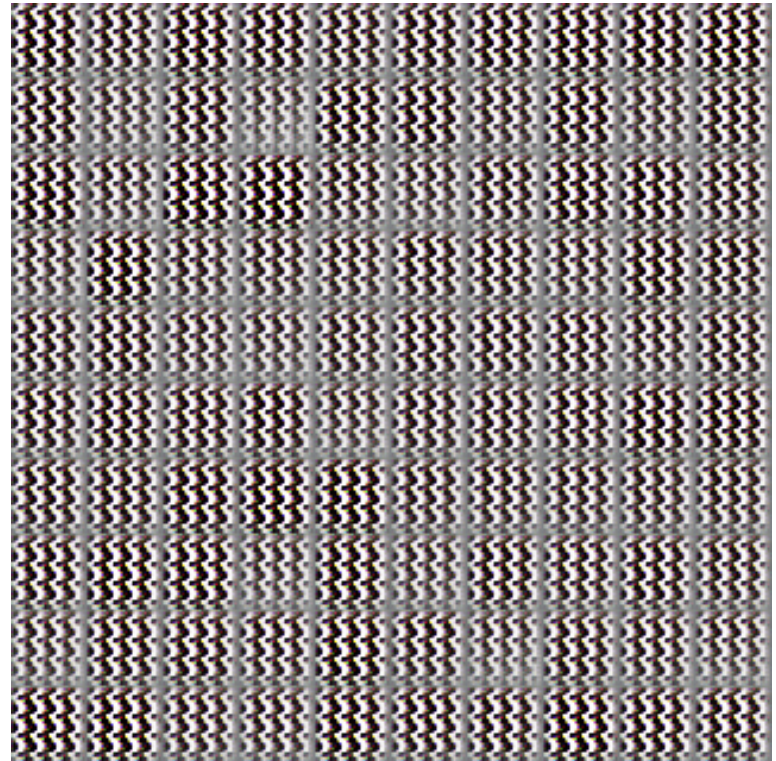
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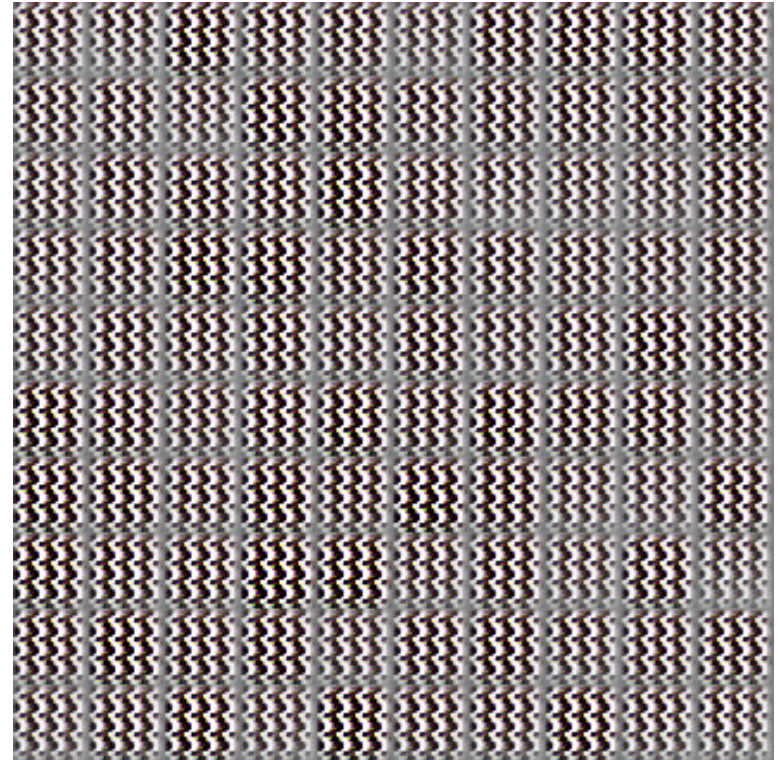
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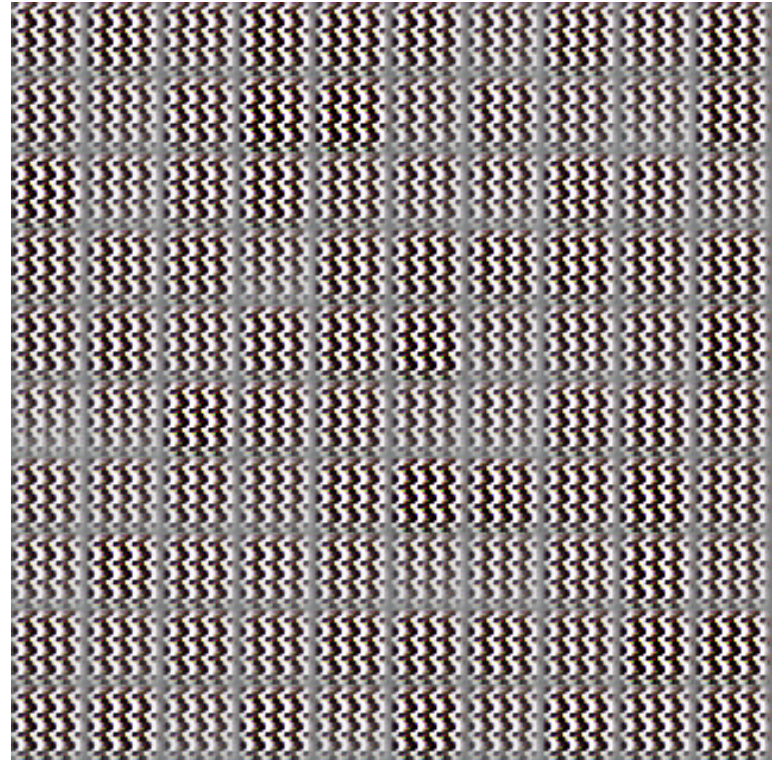
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which is $\text{JS}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}_\theta) - \log 2$

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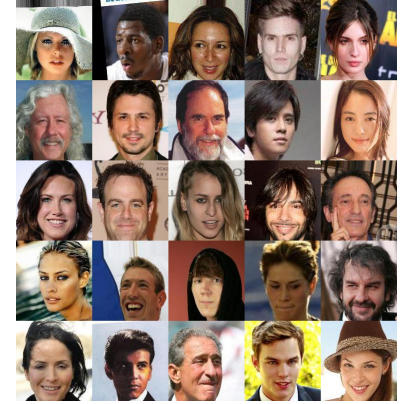
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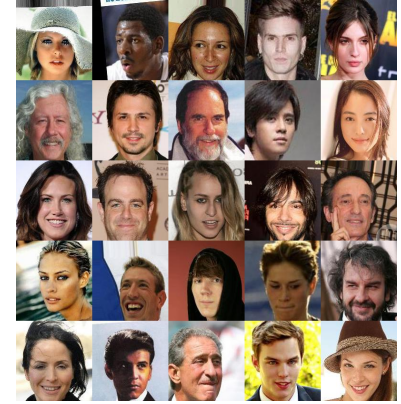


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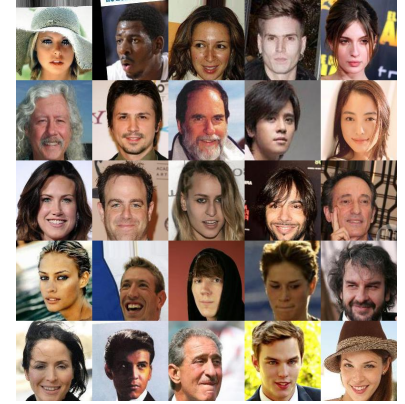
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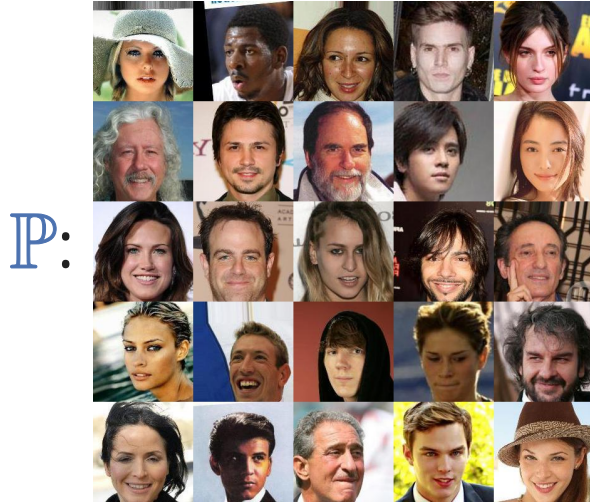


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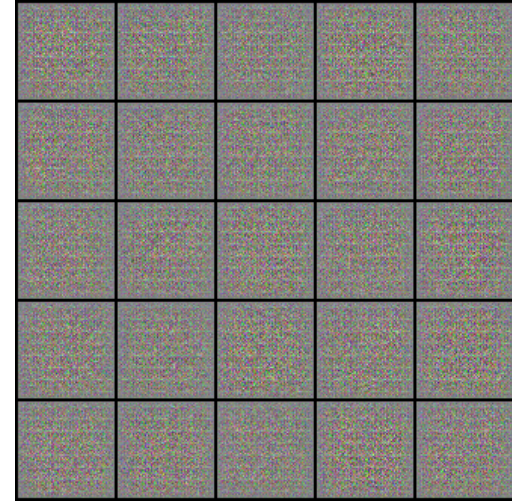
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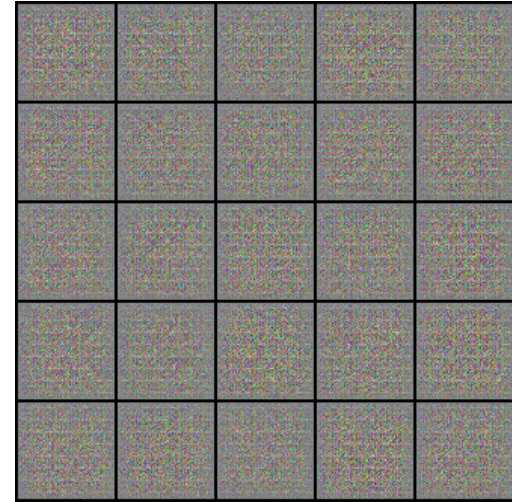


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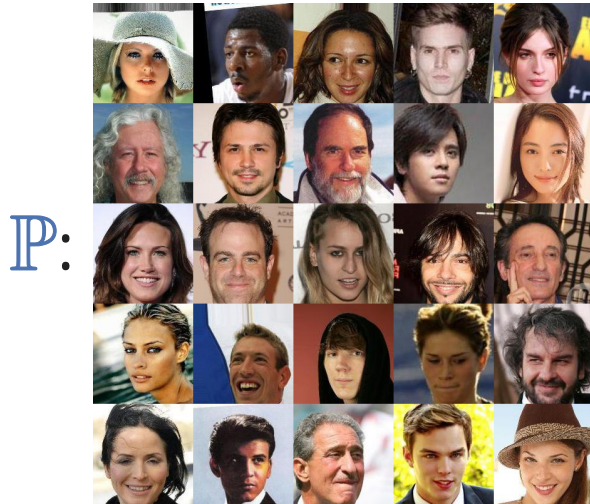
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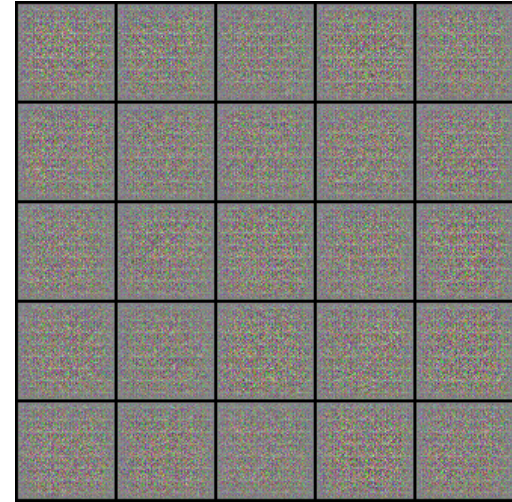
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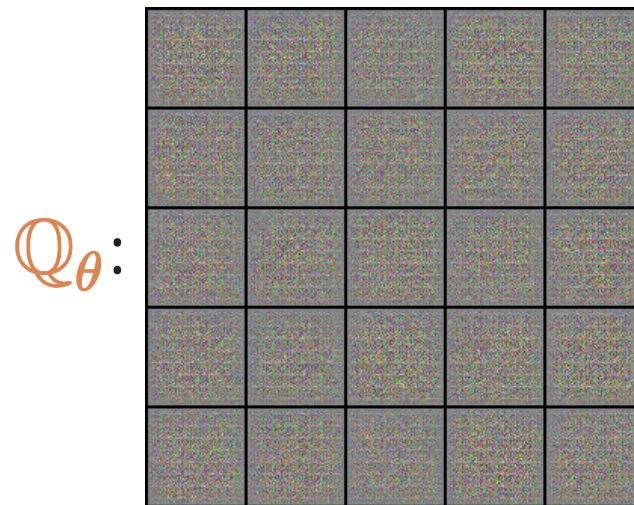
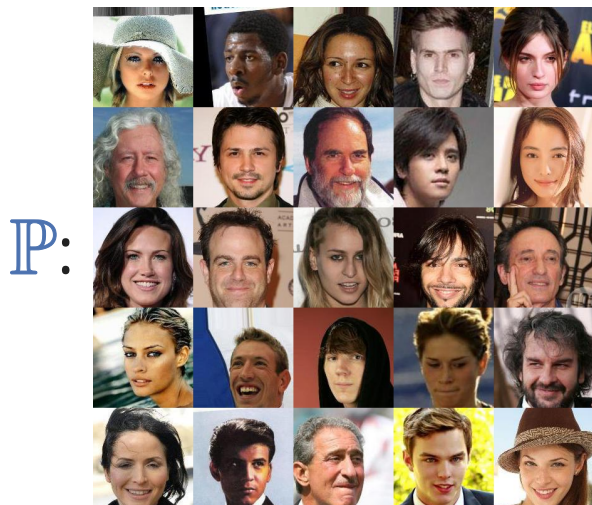
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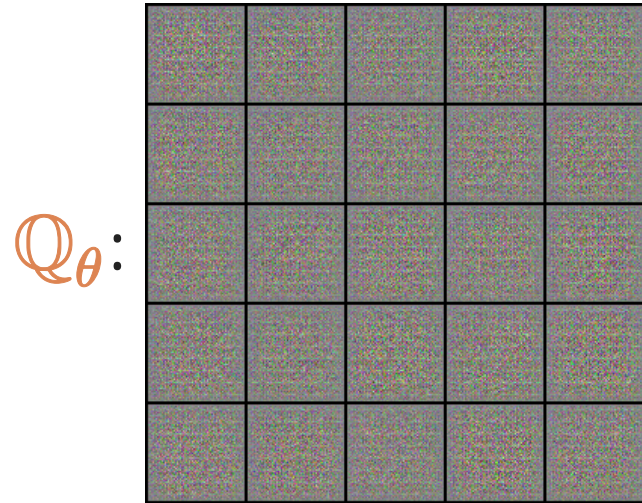
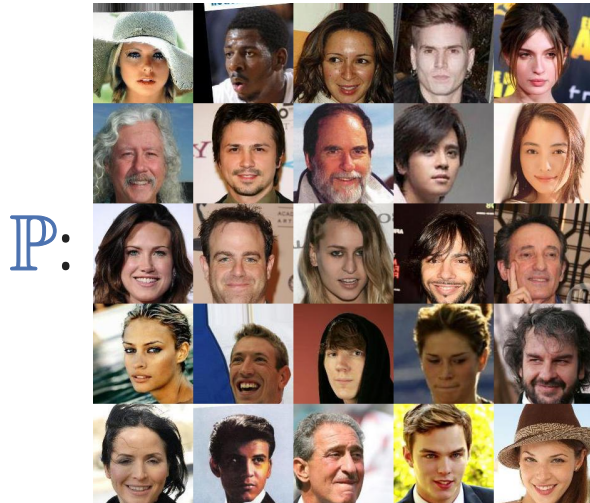
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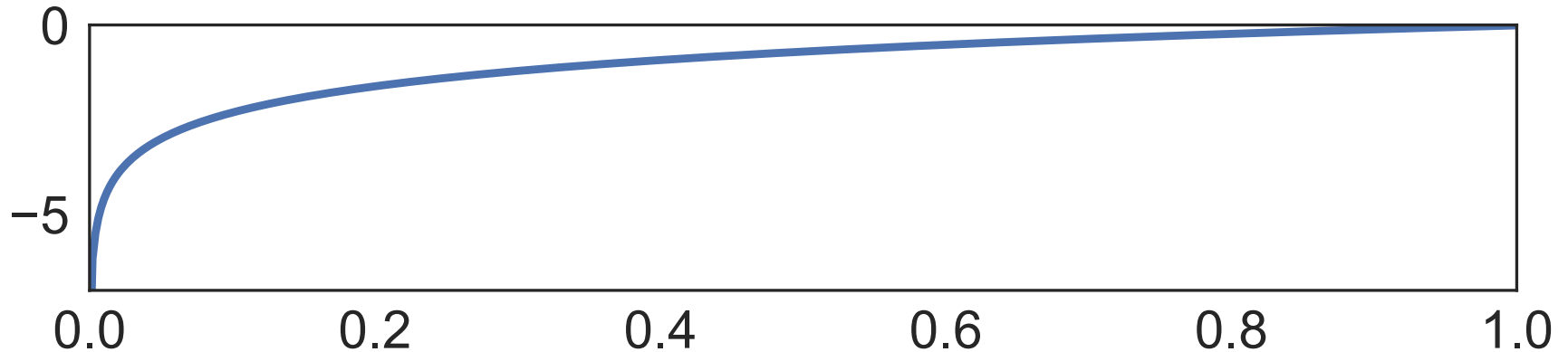
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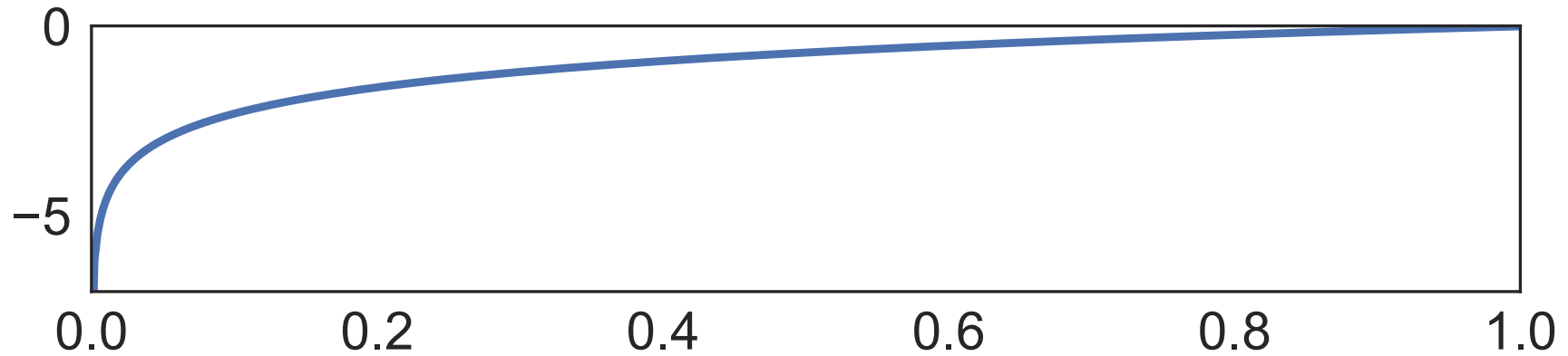


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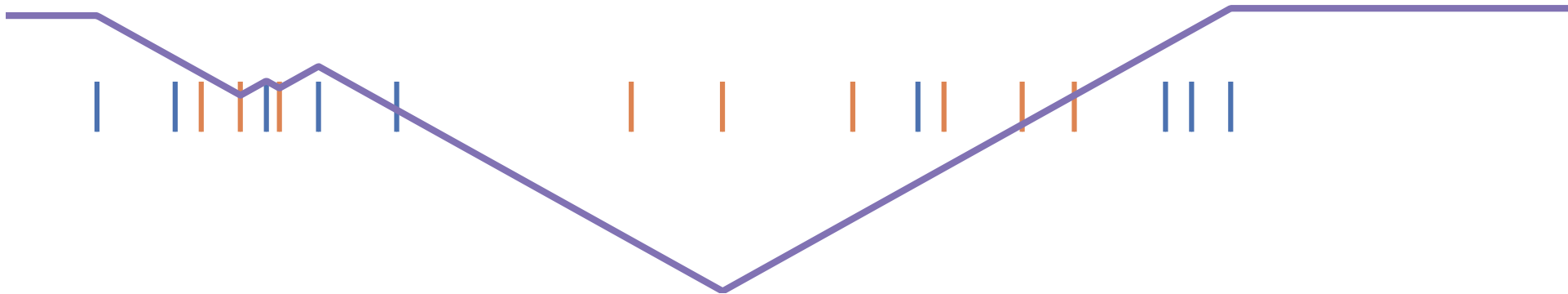
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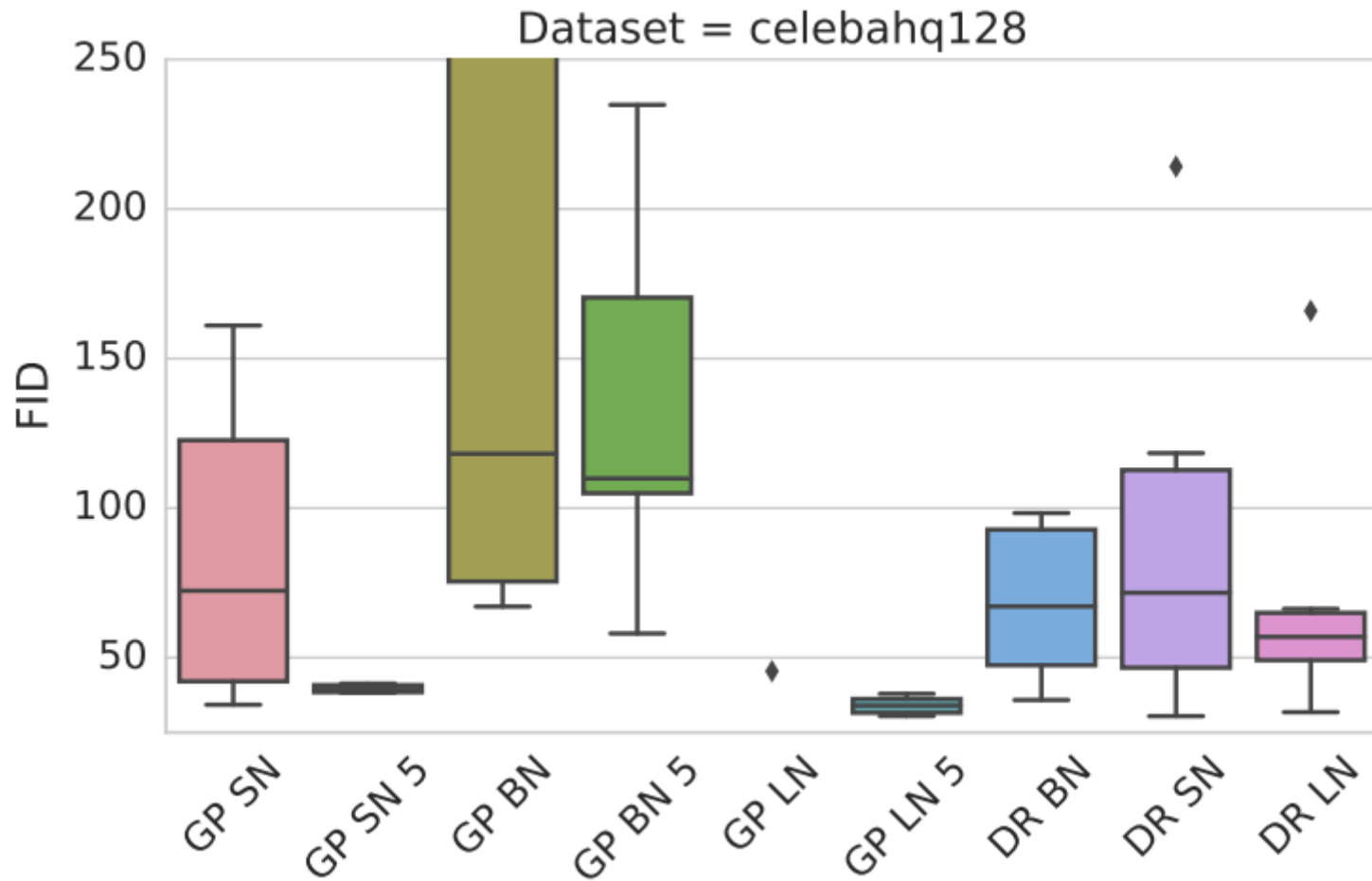
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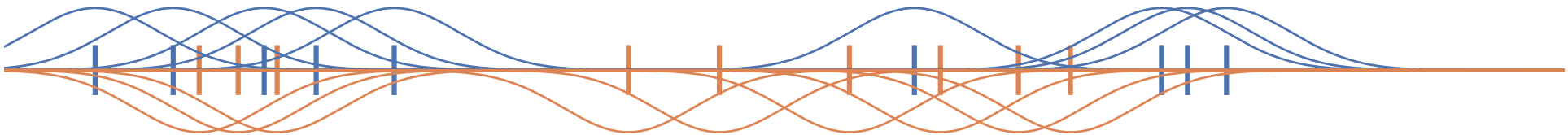
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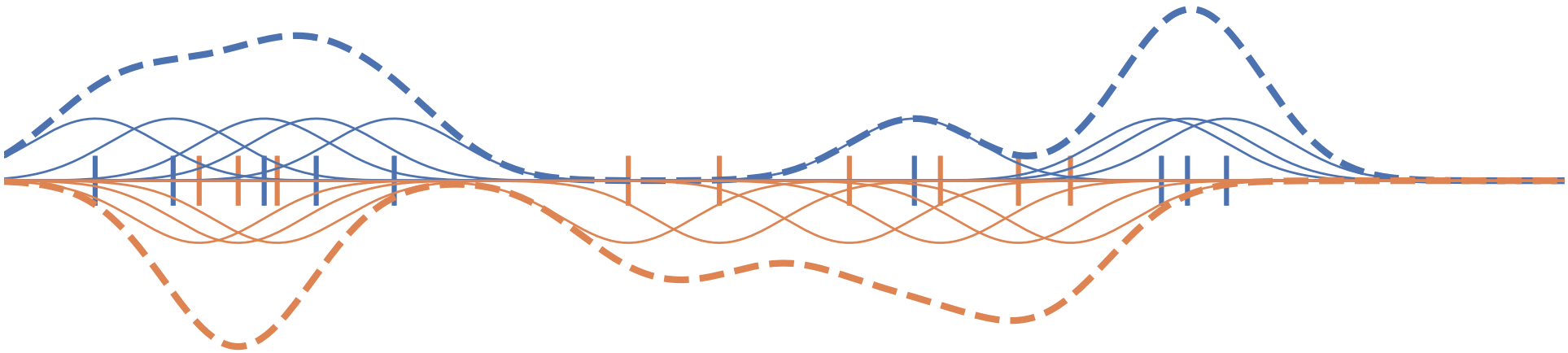
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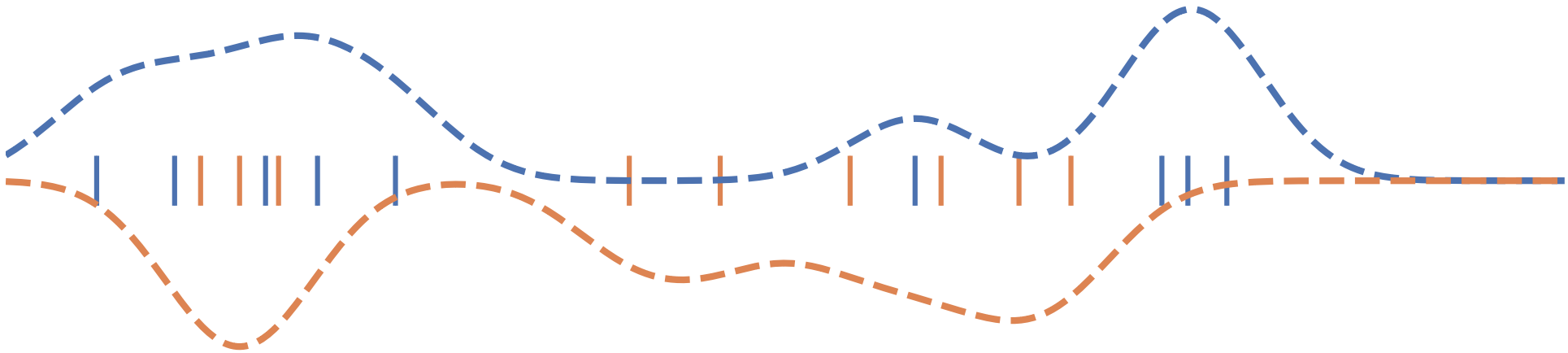
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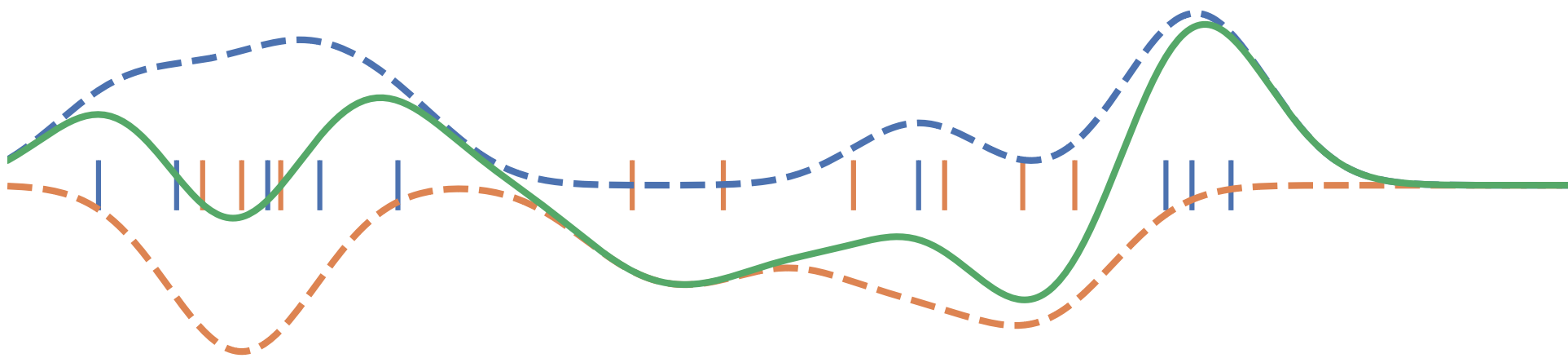
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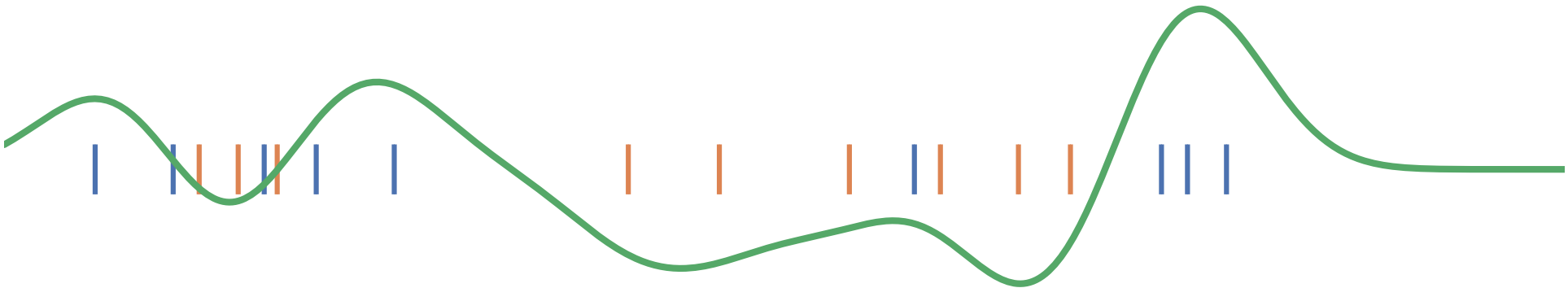
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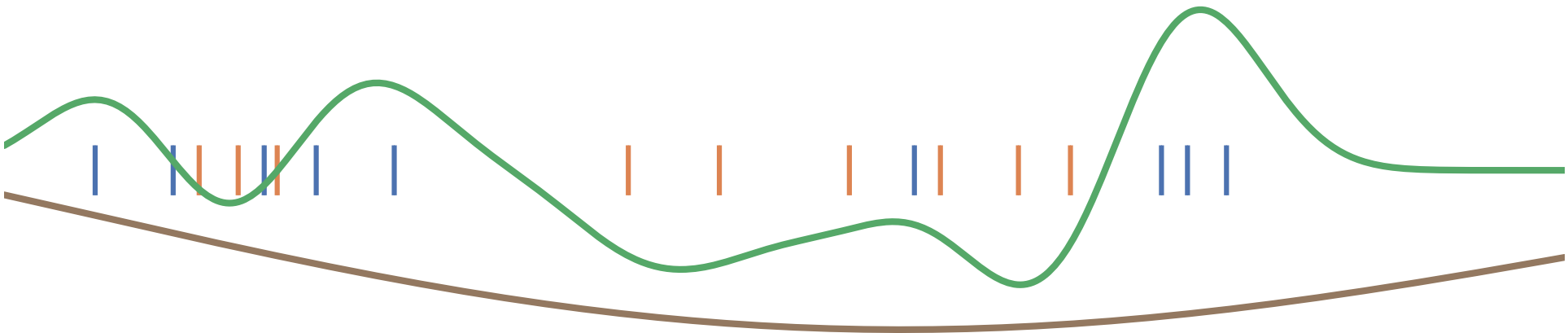
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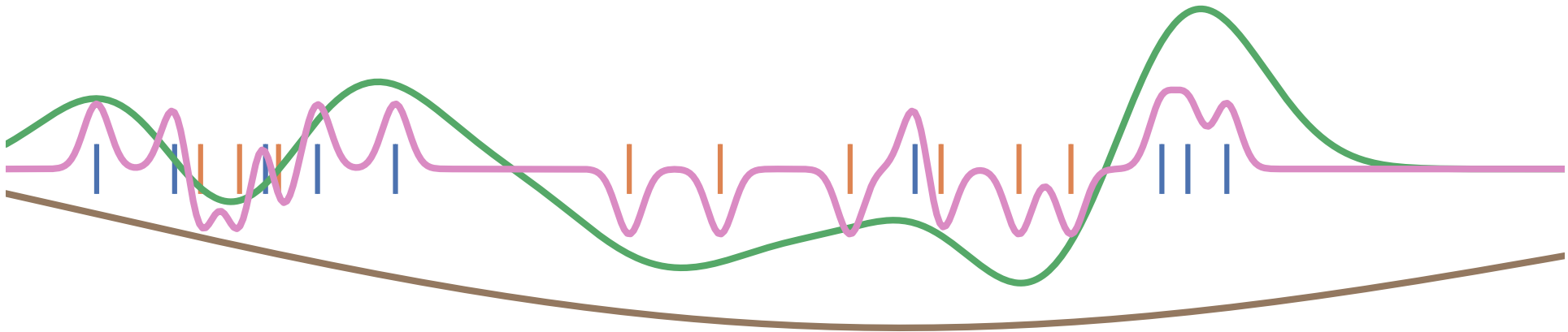
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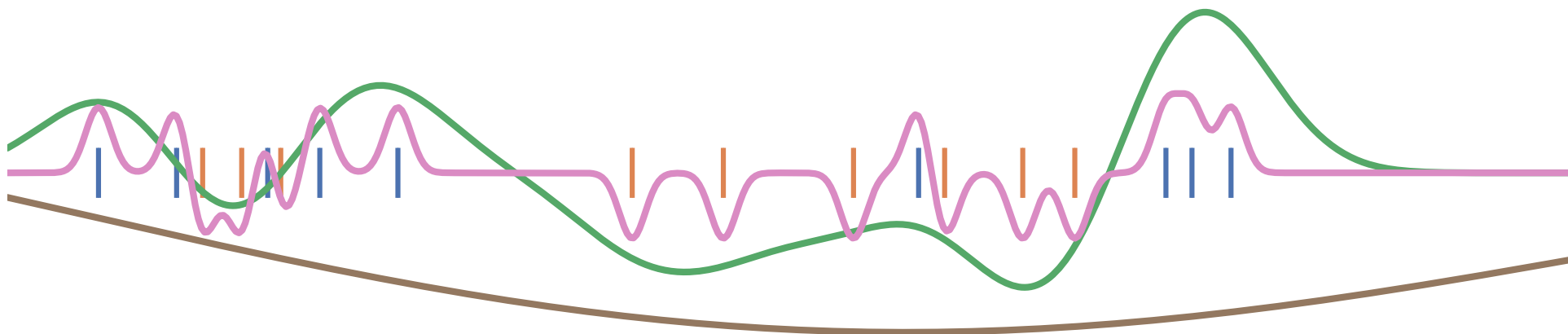


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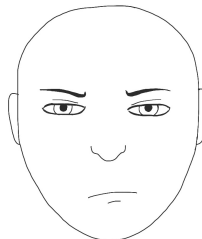
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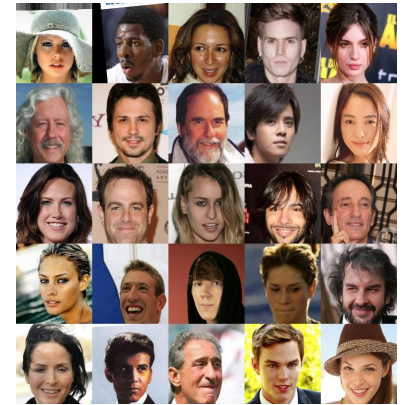
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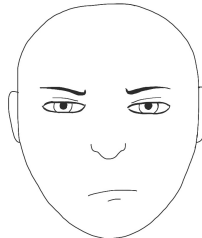
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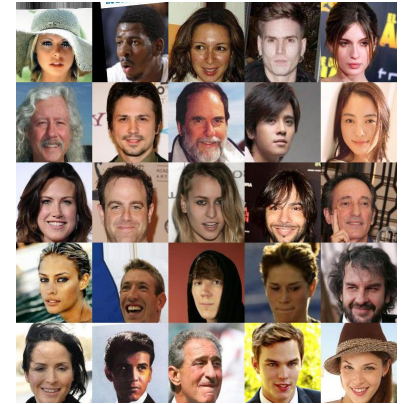
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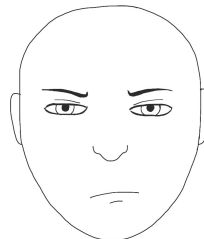


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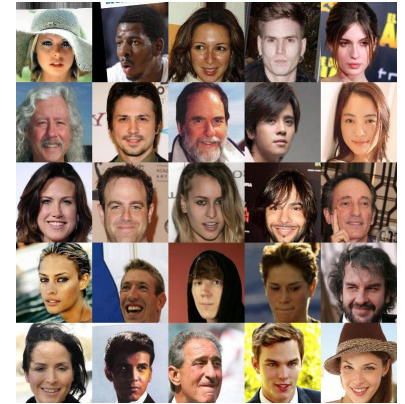
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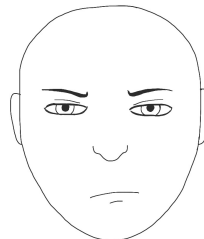


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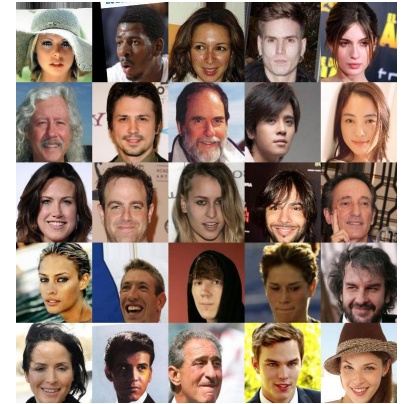
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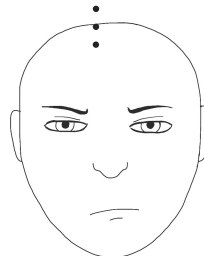


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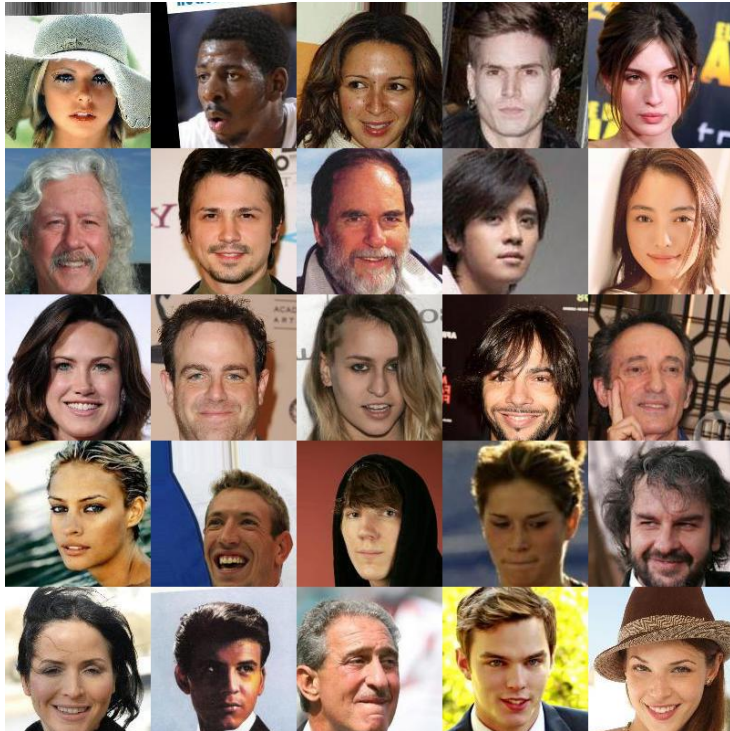


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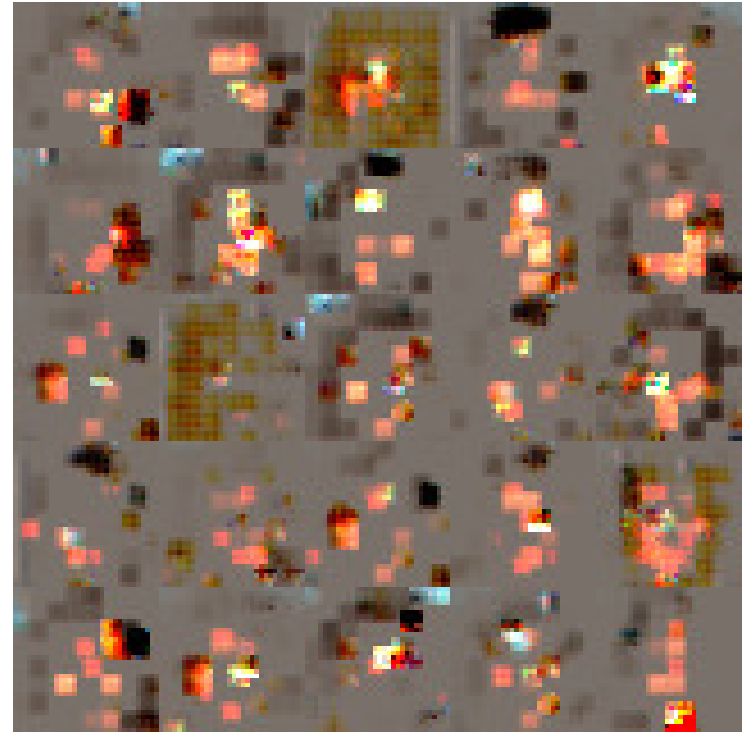


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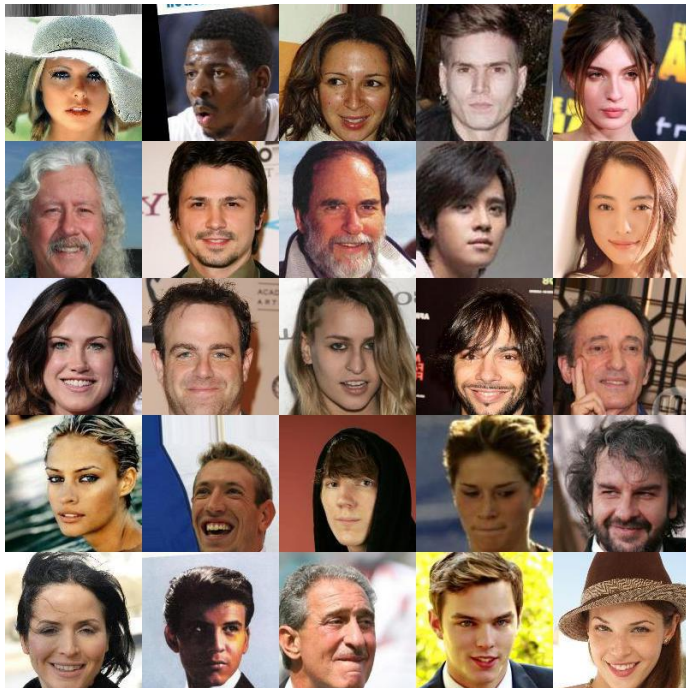
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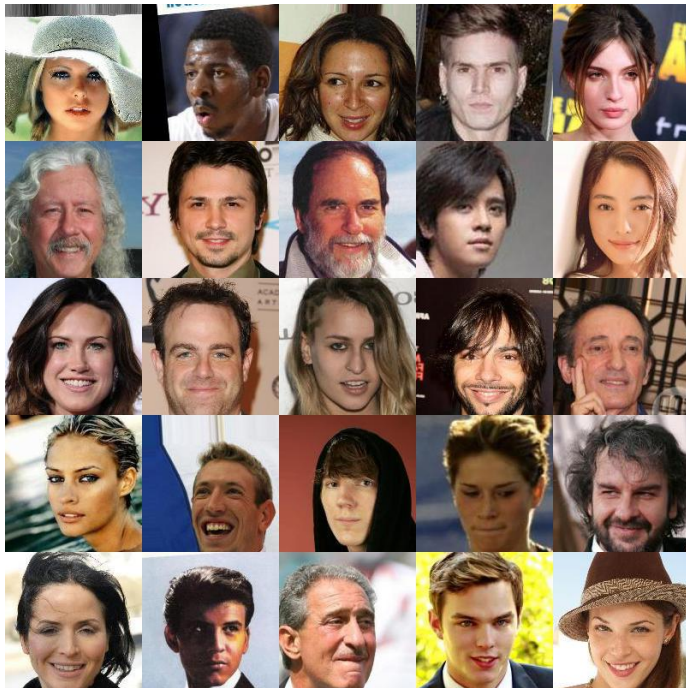
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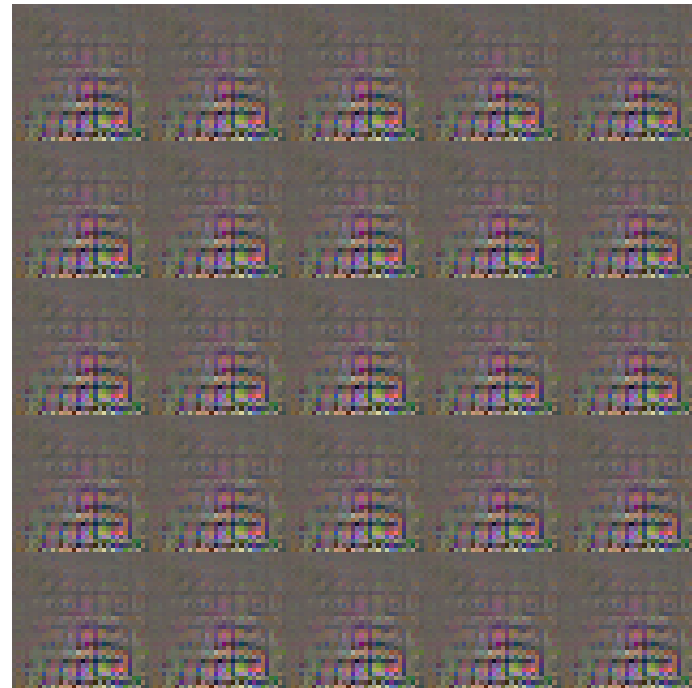
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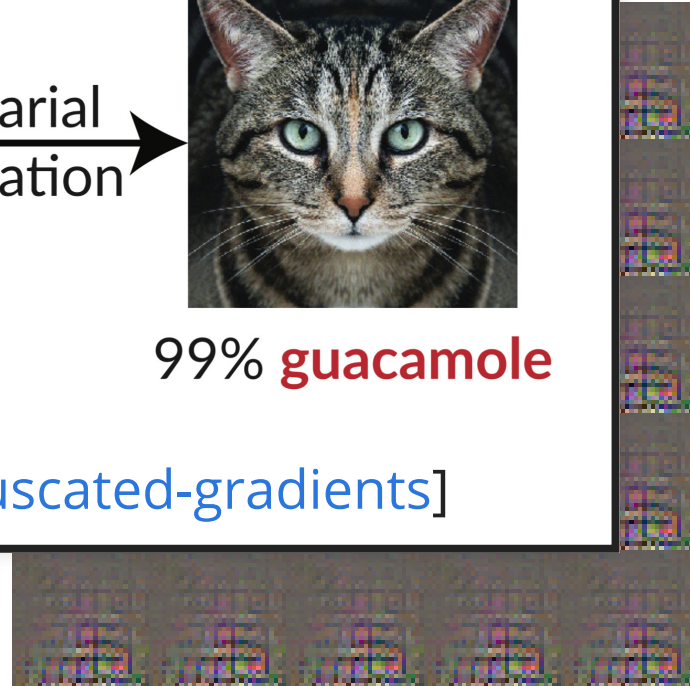
88% **tabby cat**

adversarial
perturbation



99% **guacamole**

[[anishathalye/obfuscated-gradients](#)]



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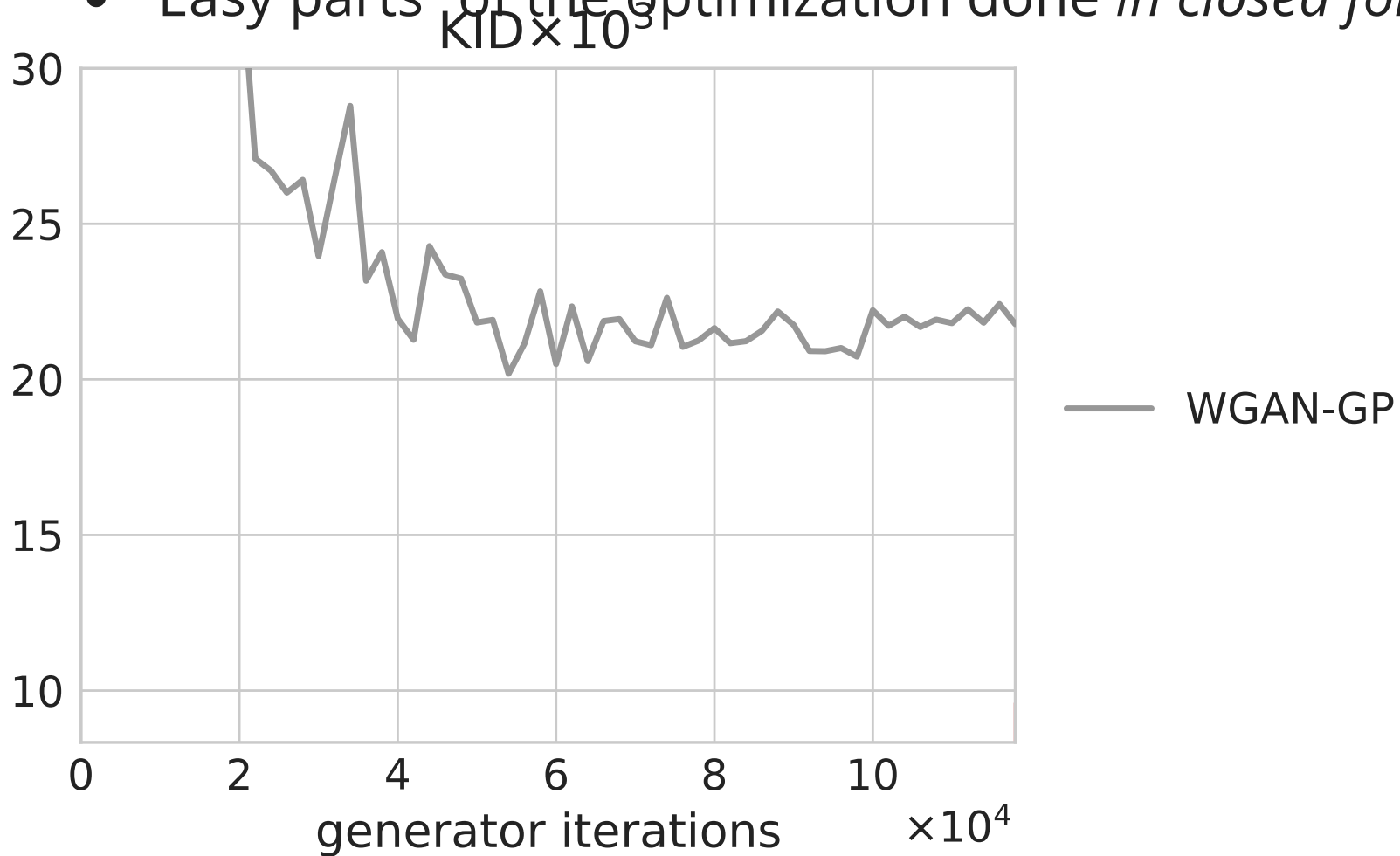
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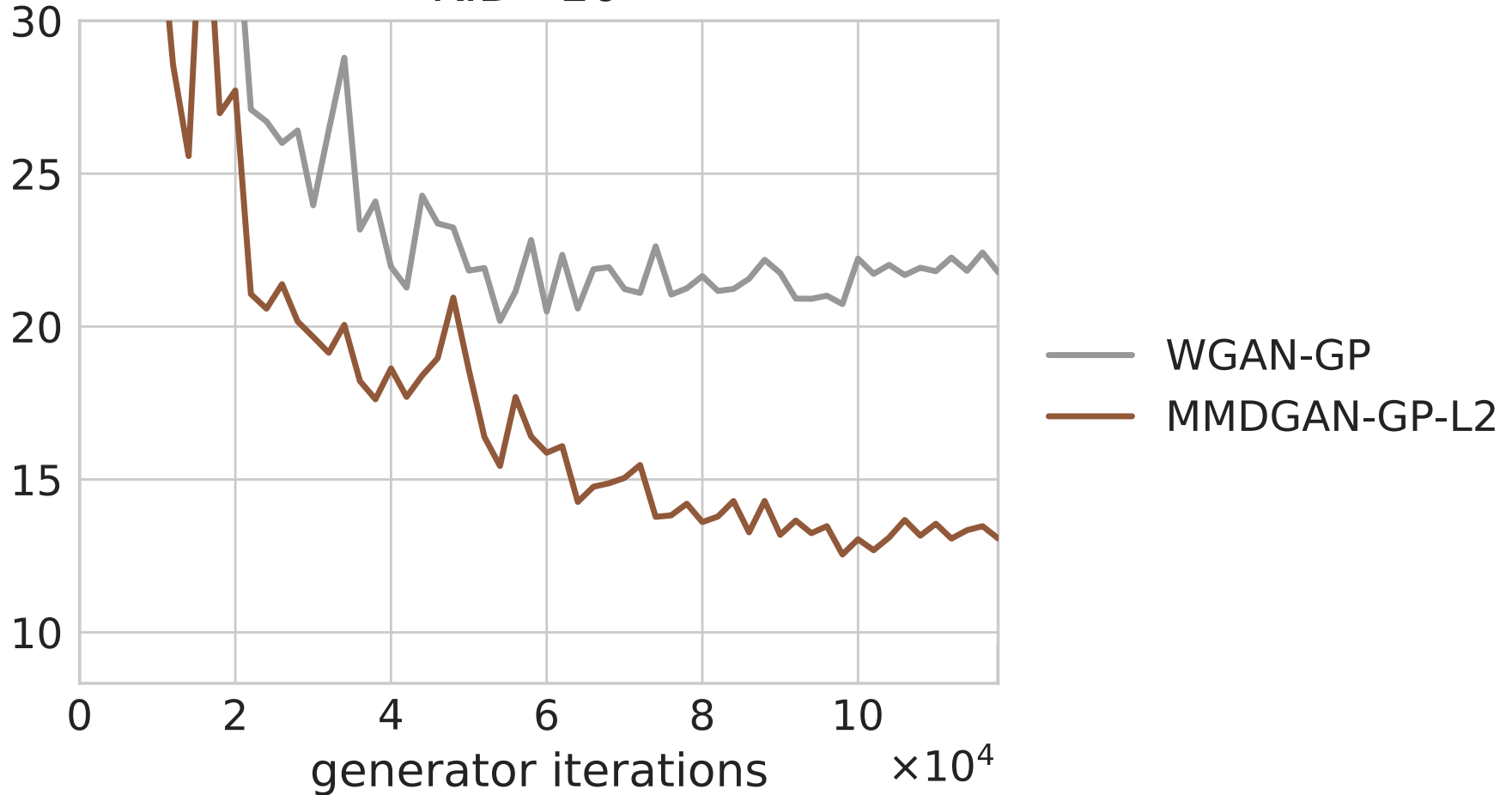
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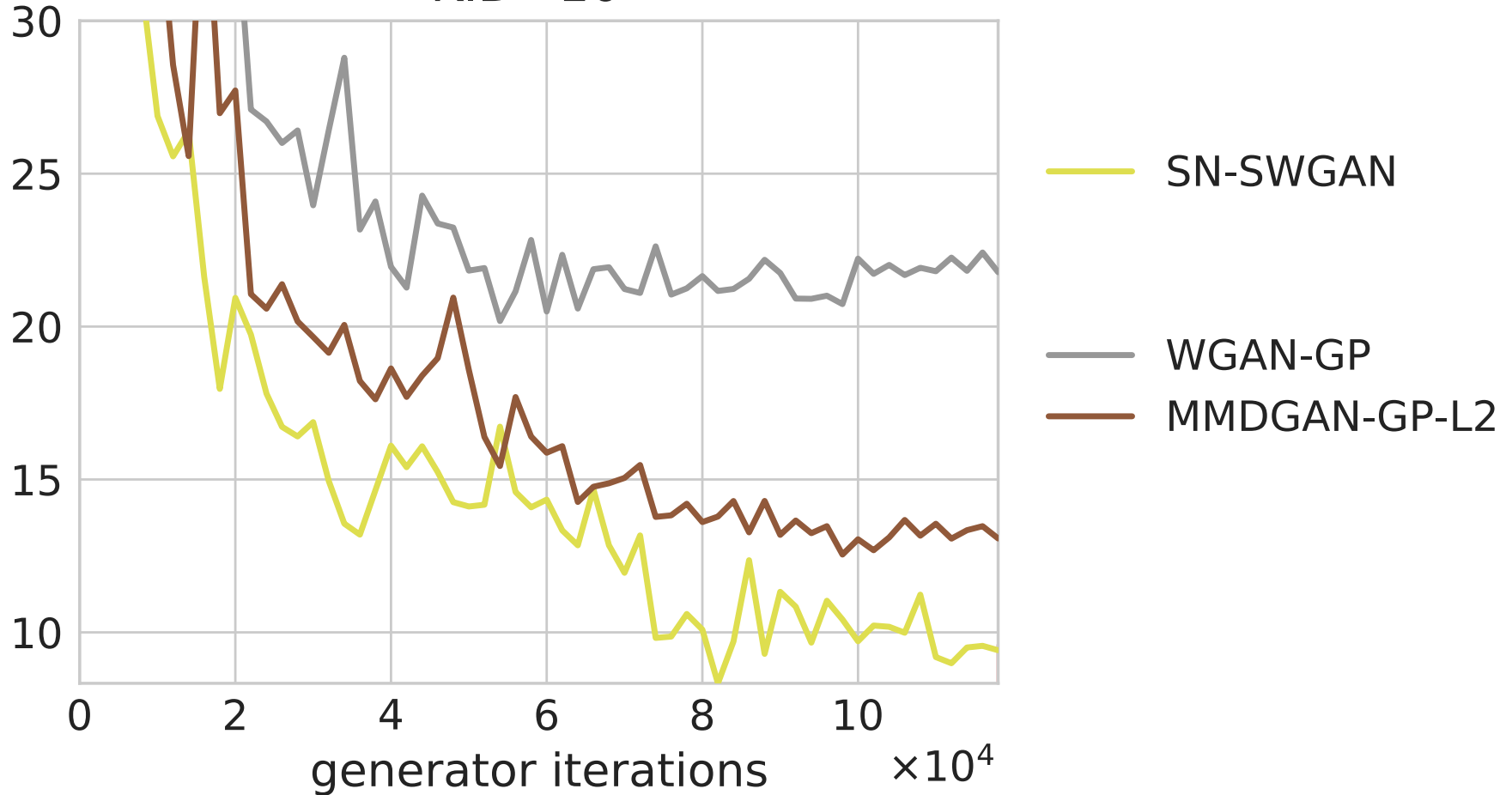
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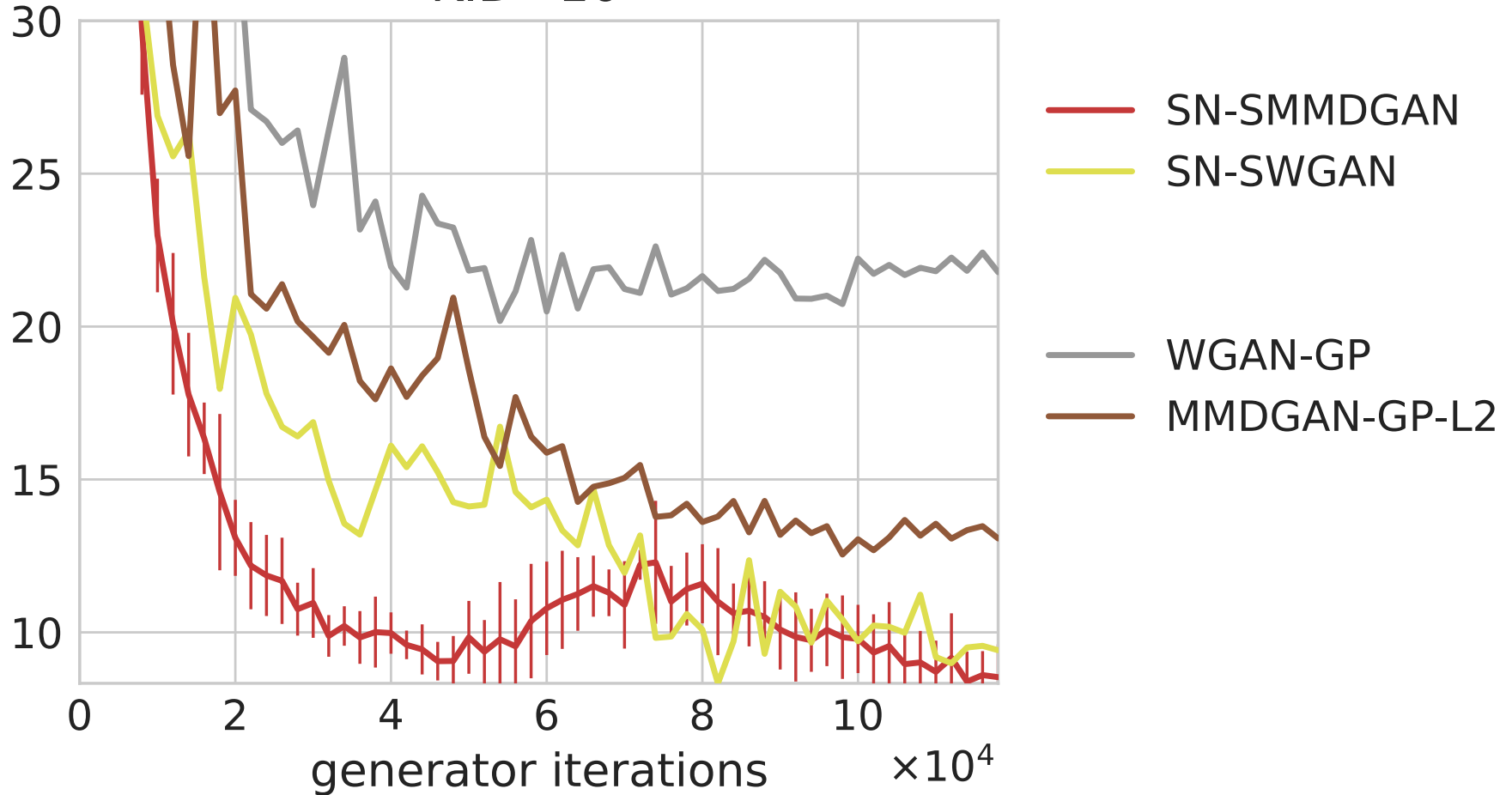
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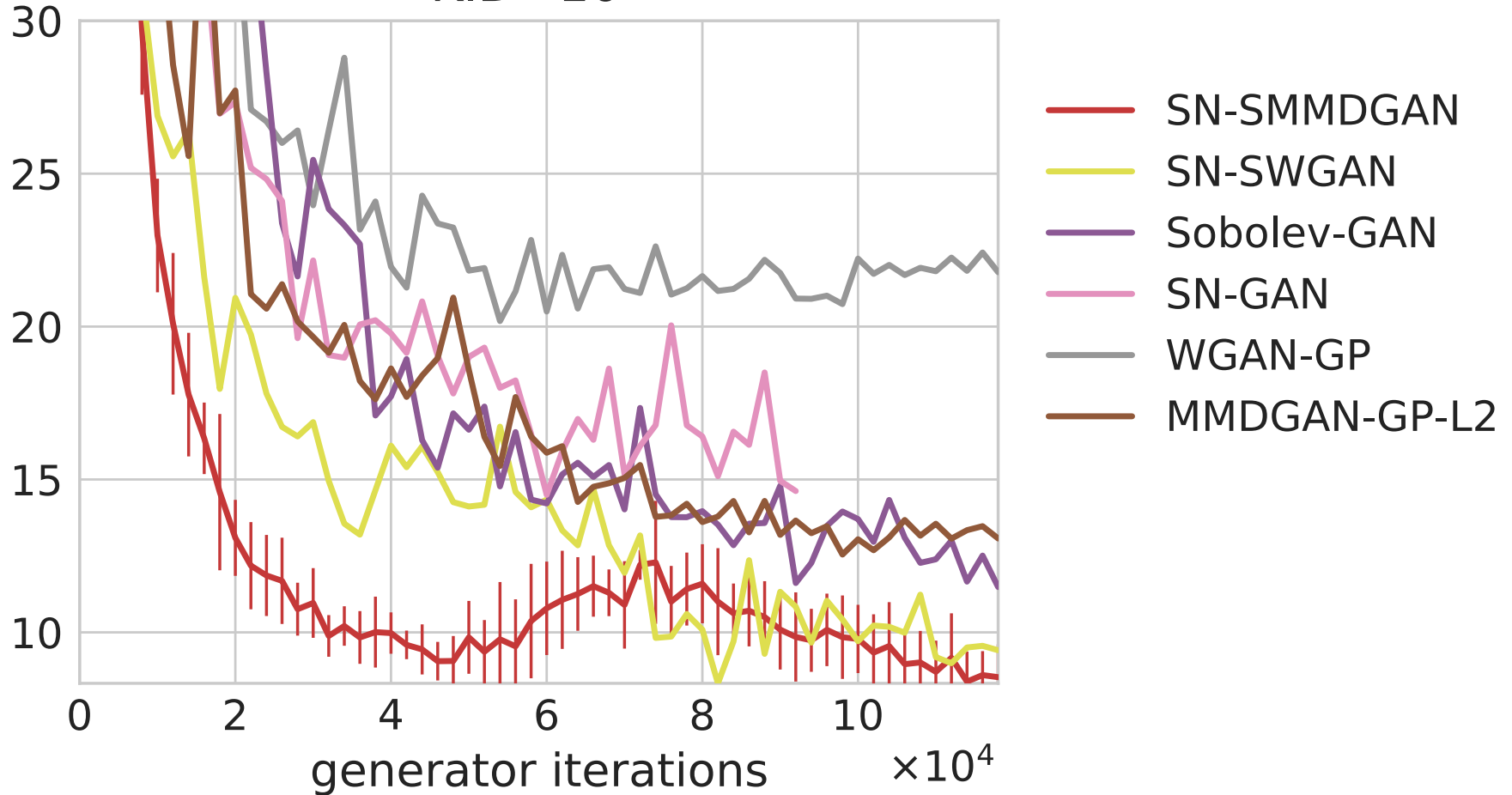
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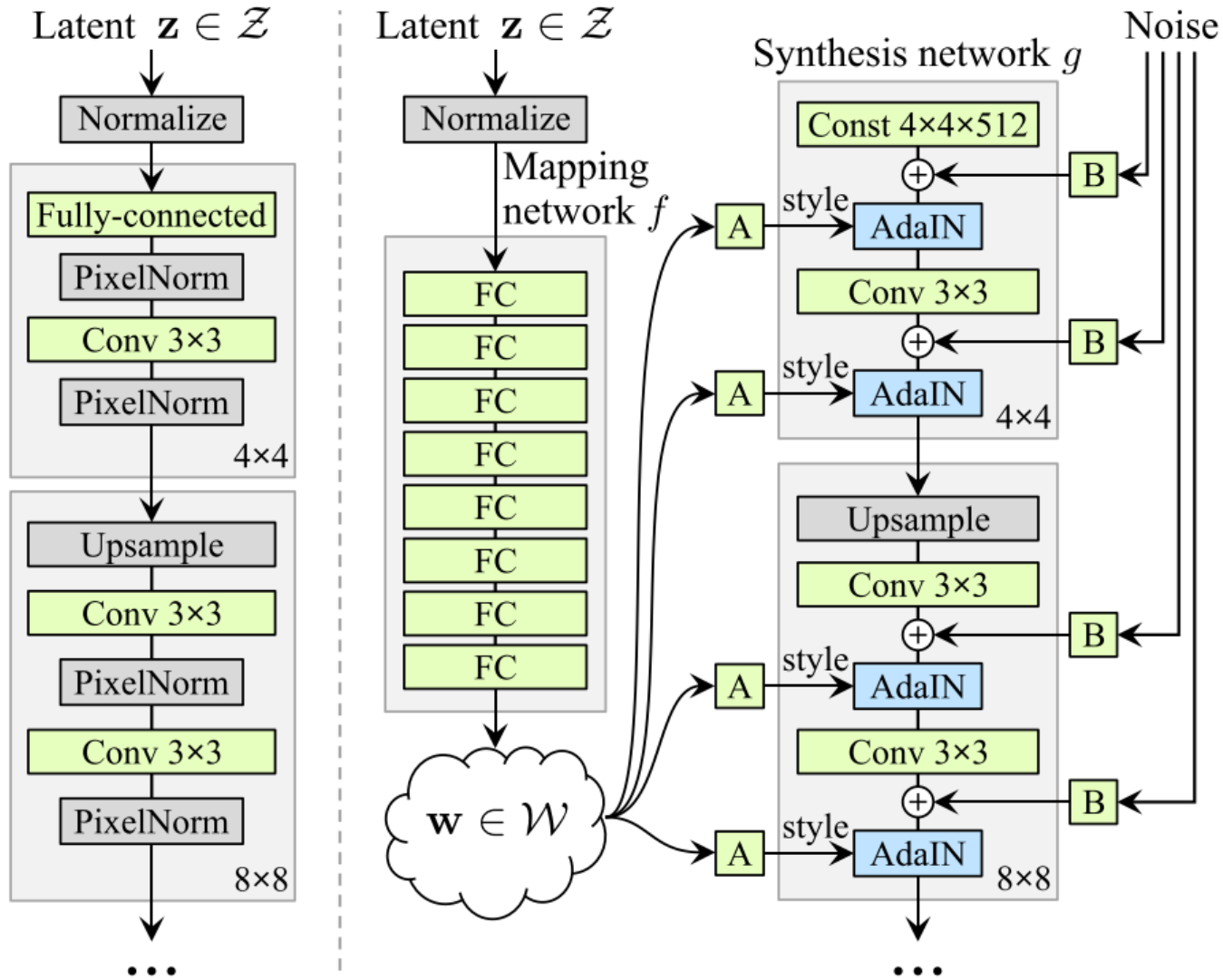


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StyleGANs [Karras+ 2018]



(a) Traditional

(b) Style-based generator

StyleGAN: latent structure

StyleGAN: local noise



(a) Generated image

(b) Stochastic variation

(c) Standard deviation

StyleGANs on a different domain [[@roadrunning01](#)]

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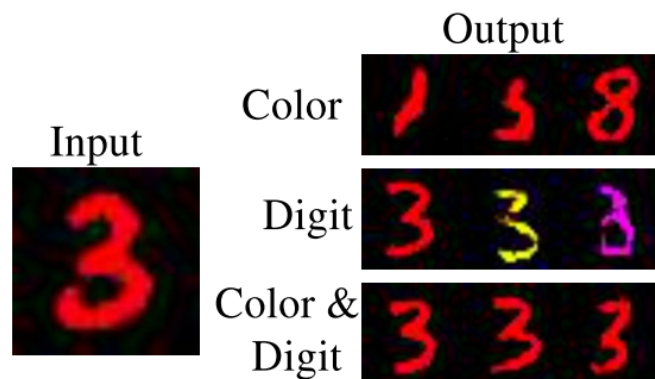
Finding samples you want [Jitkrittum+ ICML-19]

If we want to find “more samples like $\{X\}$ ”:

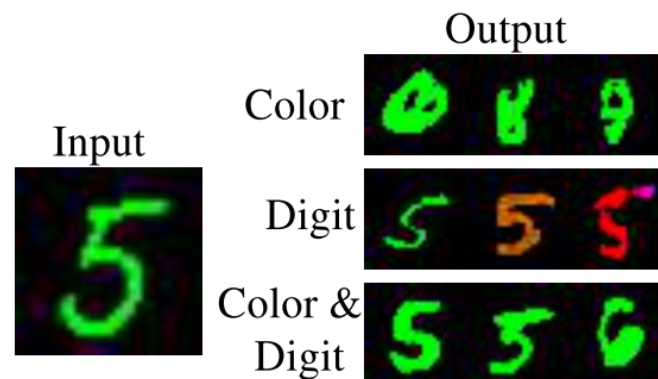
$$\min_{\{Z_1, \dots, Z_n\}} \widehat{\text{MMD}}_k^2 \left(\{X_i\}_{i=1}^m, \{G_\theta(Z_i)\}_{i=1}^n \right)$$



(a) Samples from DCGAN

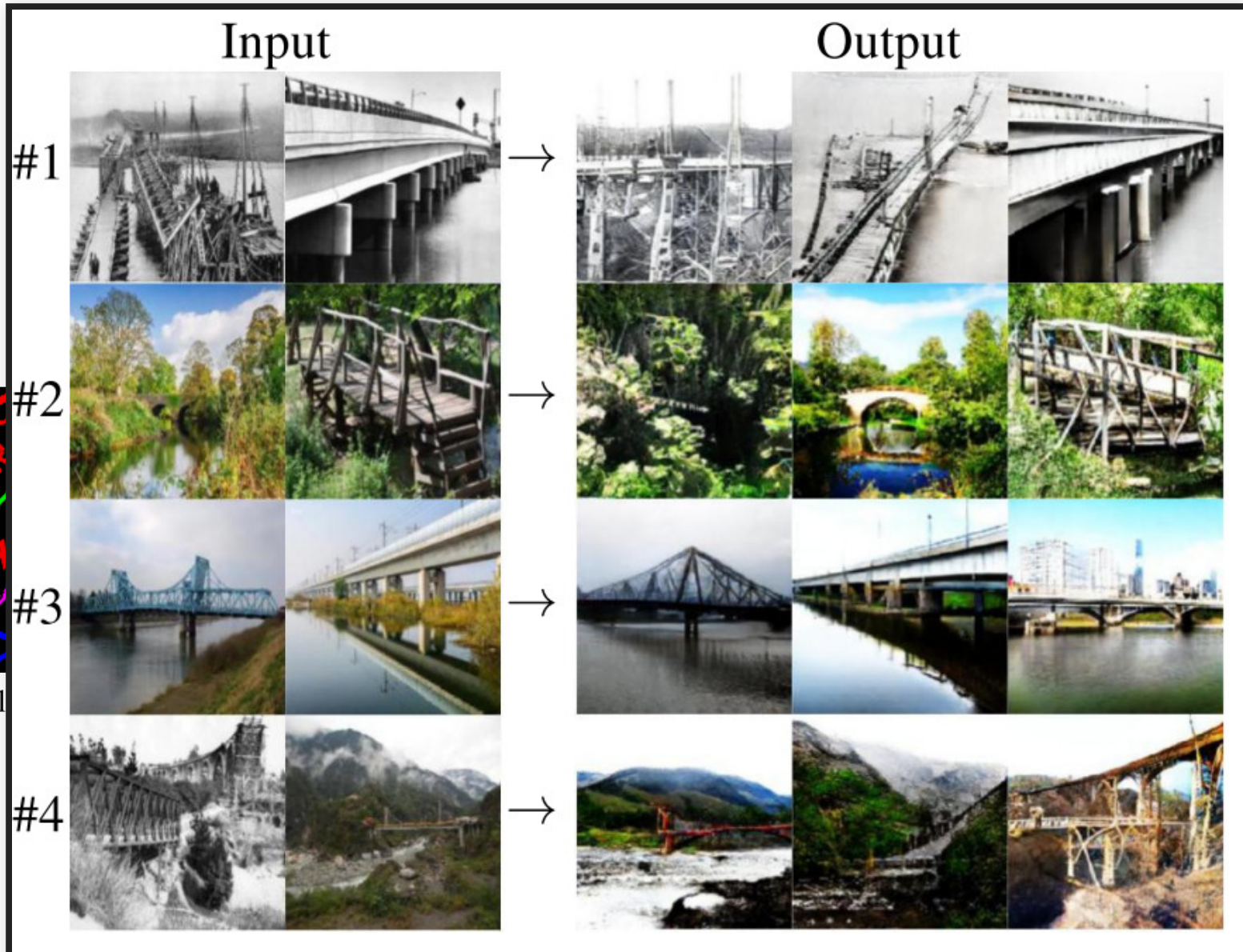


(b) Input: digit 3 in red



(c) Input: digit 5 in green

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(a) Sampling

Input



Seen

Conditional GANs and BigGAN

- Conditional GANs: [Mirza+ 2014]
 - Just add a class label as input to G_{θ} and D_{ψ}
- BigGAN [Brock+ ICLR-19]: a bunch of tricks to make it huge

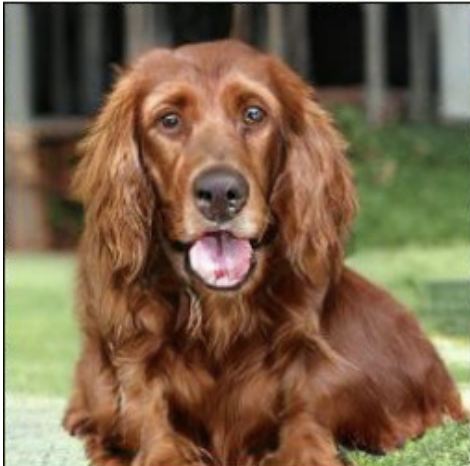


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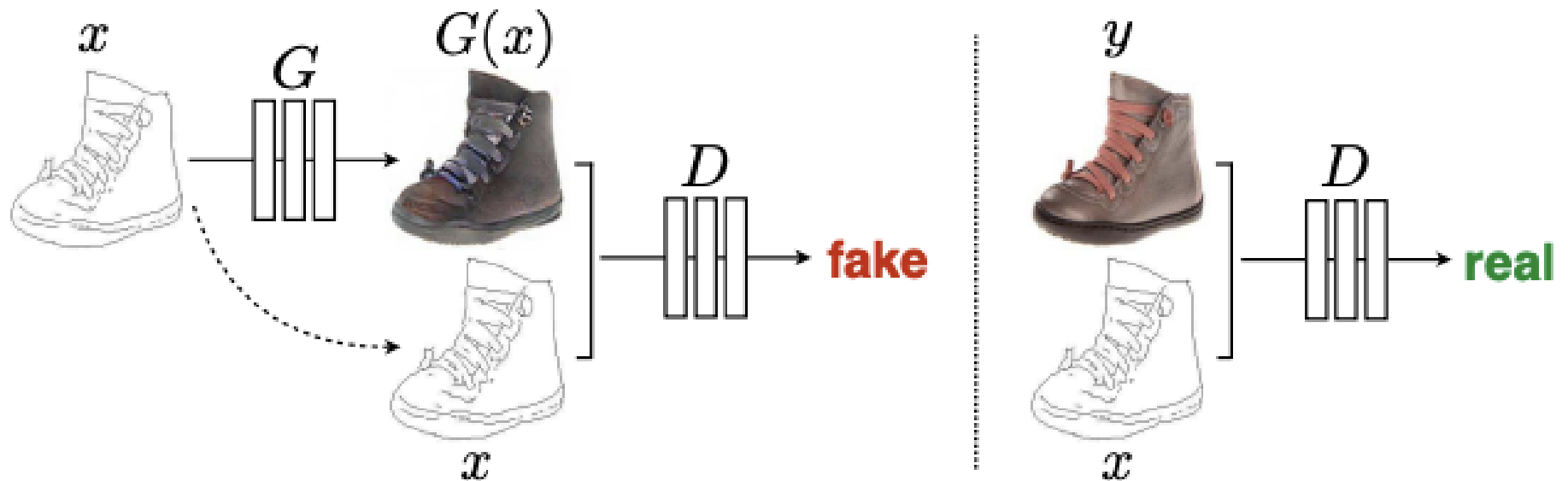


Figure 2: Training a conditional GAN to map edges \rightarrow photo. The discriminator, D , learns to classify between fake (synthesized by the generator) and real {edge, photo} tuples. The generator, G , learns to fool the discriminator. Unlike an unconditional GAN, both the generator and discriminator observe the input edge map.

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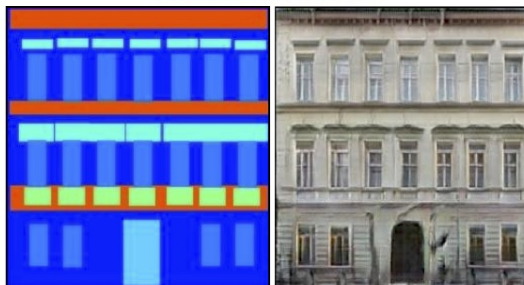
Labels to Street Scene



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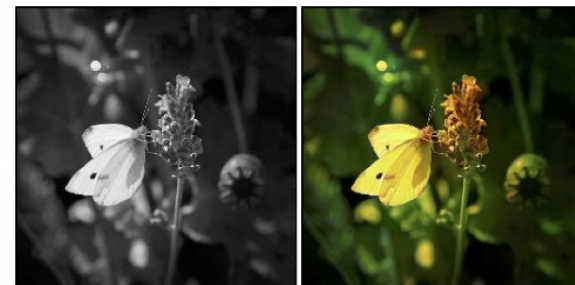
Labels to Facade



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BW to Color



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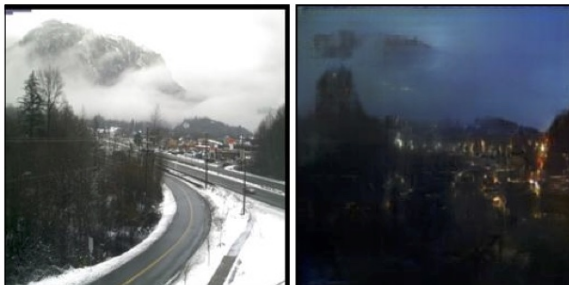
Aerial to Map



input

output

Day to Night



input

output

Edges to Photo



input

output

CycleGAN [Zhu+ ICCV-17]

Monet ↔ Photos



Monet → photo

Zebras ↔ Horses



zebra → horse

Summer ↔ Winter



summer → winter



photo → Monet



horse → zebra



winter → summer



Photograph



Monet



Van Gogh



Cezanne



Ukiyo-e

Pose-to-image translation [Chan+ 2018]

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DeepFakes

More

- Optimal transport stuff:
 - Gabriel Peyré: *Optimal transport for machine learning* talk
 - Peyré and Cuturi, *Computational Optimal Transport* book
 - Kantorovich Initiative: kantorovich.org
 - [Pacific Interdisciplinary Hub on Optimal Transport](#)
- GANs / generative models...so much.