Pixel-wise Conditioning of Generative Adversarial Networks

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Problem

Objective

- Image reconstruction task
- Generation under pixel constraints
- Motivation: applications in geosciences

Differences with inpainting

- Very few information $(\sim 0.5\%)$
- Full-size image generation
- Unstructured information



(a) Original Image



(b) Regular Inpainting



(c) Pixel Constraints

Generative Adversarial Networks [GPAM+14]

Two networks, a generator G and a discriminator D :

- **Generator**: produces synthetic data from a random $z \sim P_z$, where P_z is a known distribution
- **Discriminator**: binary classifier, tries to distinguish real samples from fake ones

$$\min_{G} \max_{D} L(D,G) = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim P_{r}} \left[\log(D(X)) \right] + \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim P_{z}} \left[\log(1 - D(G(Z))) \right]$$



Conditional GAN [MO14]

- Conditional variant of the GANs
- A constraint/label c is simply given as an input to both G and D
- Works well for generating image with a class constraints

$$\min_{G} \max_{D} L(D,G) = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{X \sim P_r \\ C \sim P_{C|X}}} \left[\log(D(X,C)) \right] + \mathbb{E}_{\substack{Z \sim P_z \\ C' \sim P_C}} \left[\log(1 - D(G(Z,C'),C')) \right]$$



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Strictly constrained objective is non-differentiable

Our approach

Relaxation of the strict constraints by a regularization term

 $\min_{G} \max_{D} L_{reg}(D,G) = L(D,G) + \lambda \mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{\substack{Z \sim P_z \\ C \sim P_C}} \left[\left\| C - M(C) \odot G(Z,C) \right\|_2^2 \right]$



Task: Hyperparameter search on λ

- Objective: find evidence of a controllable trade-off between quality and respect of the constraints
- Experiments repeated 10 times each

Metrics

- Respect of the constraints: Mean Square Error on constrained pixels
- Visual quality: Fréchet Inception Distance [HRU⁺17]: distance between the distributions of the features of real and generated samples at the output of a deep classifier.

Datasets

- MNIST and FashionMNIST
- Split in train, validation and test sets
- 10% of each set used to sample constraints, then discarded

Networks architecture

• DCGAN [RMC15]-like, with only 2 convolutional/transposed convolutional layers in *D* and *G*



This method can generate samples that respects pixel precise constraints

MSE / FID relative to λ



- The constraints seem able to enhance quality
- + From $\lambda=$ 0.1 upwards, there seem to be a trade-off between MSE and FID



- Trade-off clearly visible
- Adding constraints can enhance visual quality
- · Regularization enhance both quality and respect of constraints



Some generated samples at $\lambda = 1$ (best ratio between quality and respect of the constraints)

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- Conditional GANs can learn pixel-wise constraints
- The *L*2 regularization term allows to control a trade-off between visual quality and respect of the constraints

Extensions

- Applications on real-world datasets
- Extension to other kind of constraints (moments on zones, ...)





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