

# Deep Generative Models

## 1. Introduction and evaluation



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# Reference

- Stanford CS236 lecture: Deep Generative Models
- Generative Deep Learning 2<sup>nd</sup>(David Foster)
- Deep Generative Modeling(Jakub M. Tomczak)



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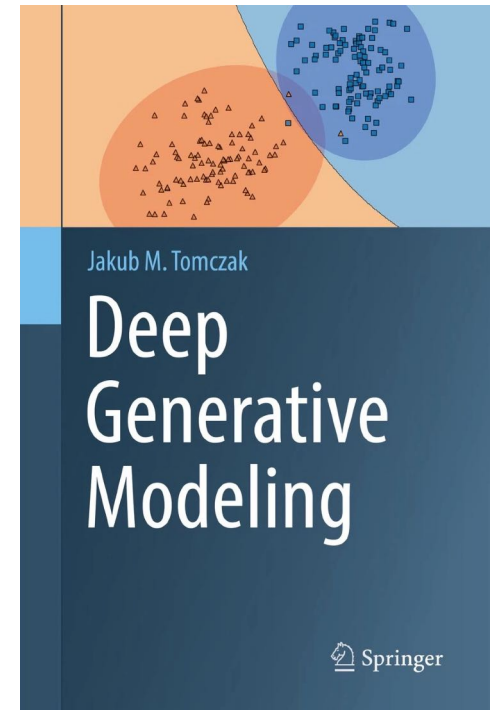
## Generative Deep Learning

Teaching Machines to Paint, Write, Compose, and Play



David Foster  
Foreword by Karl Friston

Second  
Edition



# Face generation



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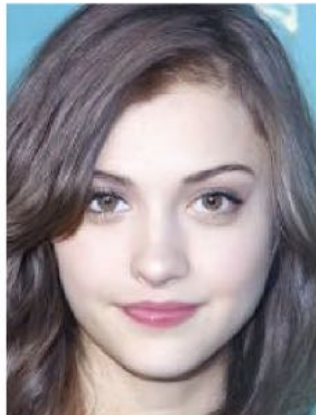
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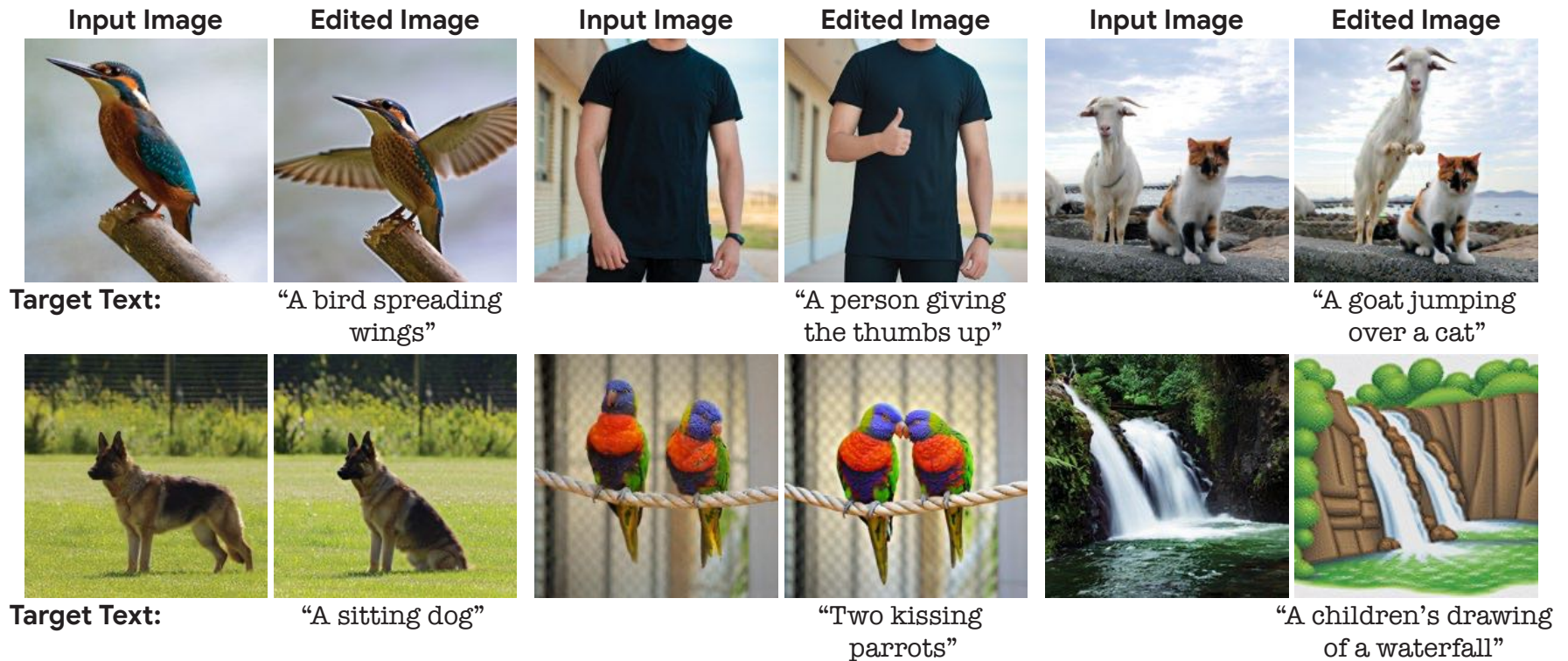
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(adapted from Brundage et al., 2018)

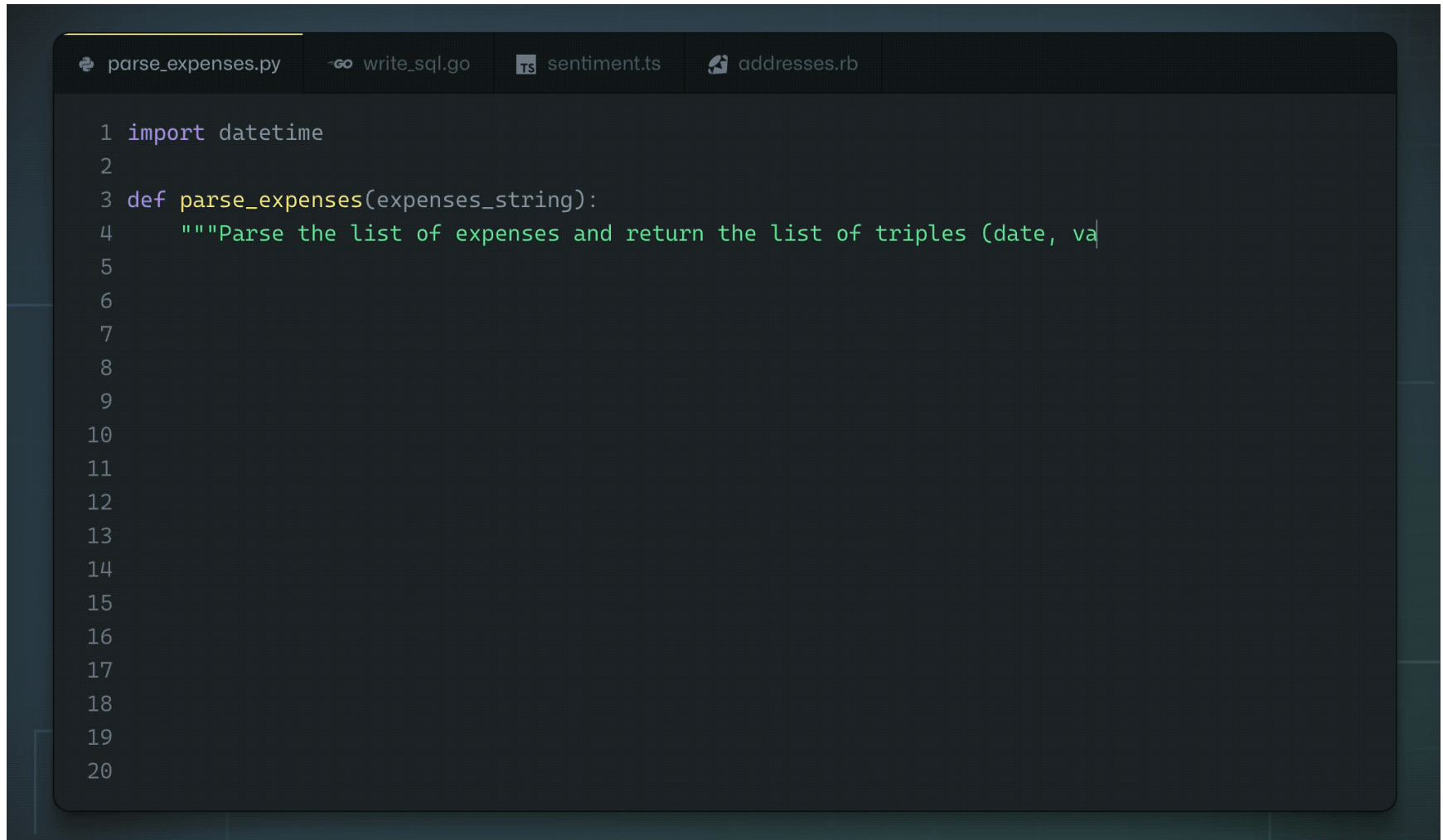
# Progress in Inverse Problems



(Kawar et al., 2023)



# Code Generation

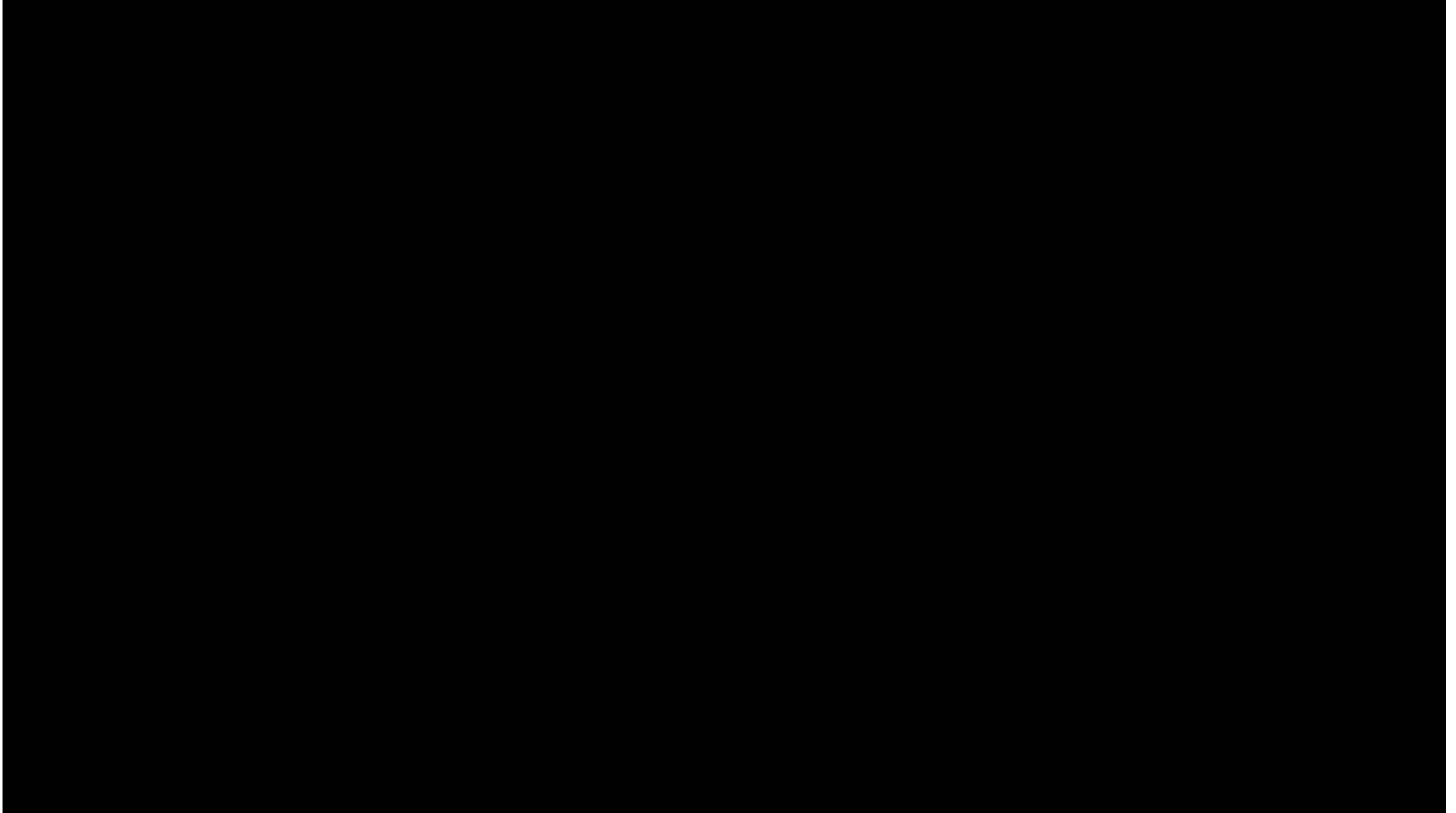


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(Codex, OpenAI)

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# Video Generation



(Sora, OpenAI, 2024)

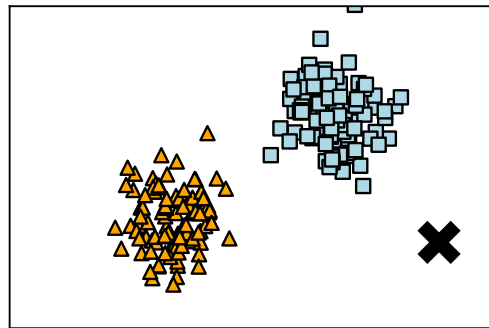
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# What is Generative modeling

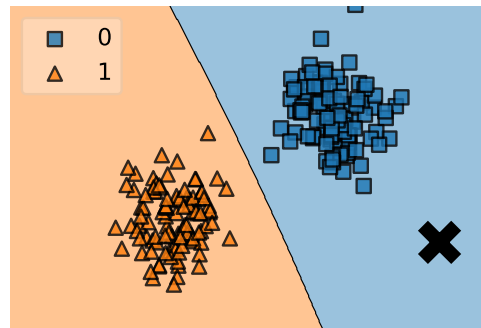
- A branch of machine learning that involves training a model to produce new data that is like a given dataset

# Generative vs Discriminative modeling

- $\mathbf{x}$ : input data(e.g. image sample),  $y$ : label
- Discriminative modeling estimates  $p(y|\mathbf{x})$
- Generative modeling estimates  $p(\mathbf{x})$

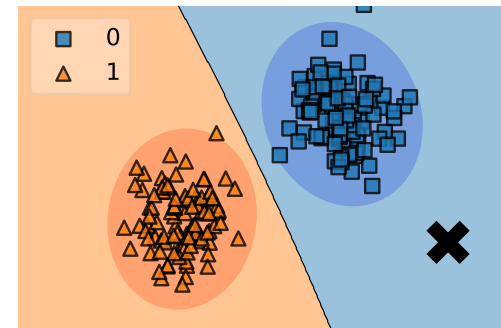


Data



$p(y|\mathbf{x})$

$p(\text{blue}|\mathbf{x})$  is high  
= certain decision!



$p(\mathbf{x}, y) = p(y|\mathbf{x}) p(\mathbf{x})$

$p(\text{blue}|\mathbf{x})$  is high  
and  $p(\mathbf{x})$  is low  
= uncertain decision!

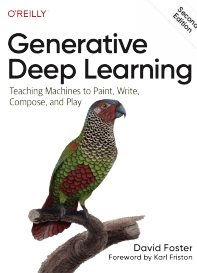
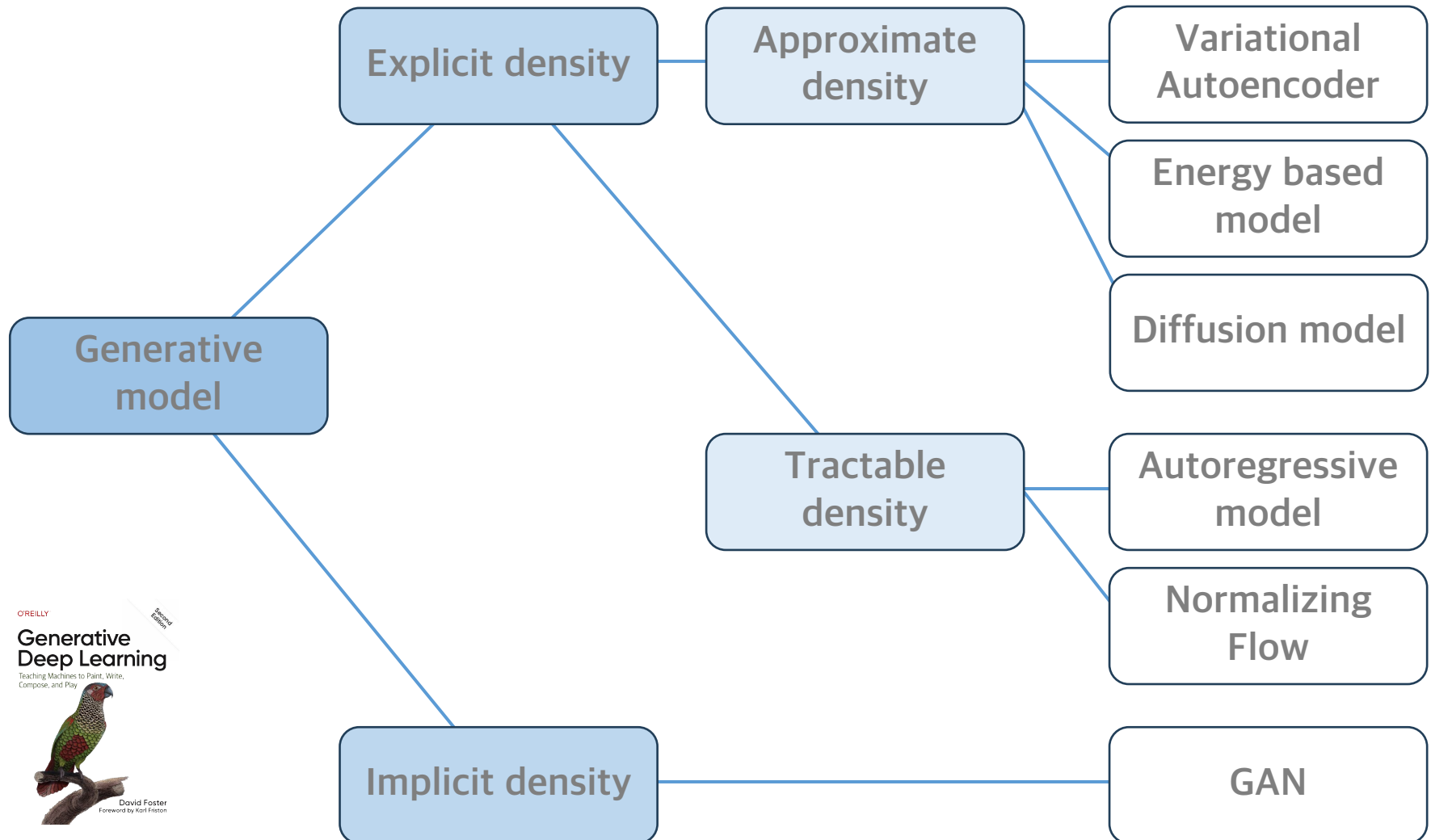


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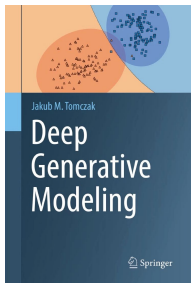
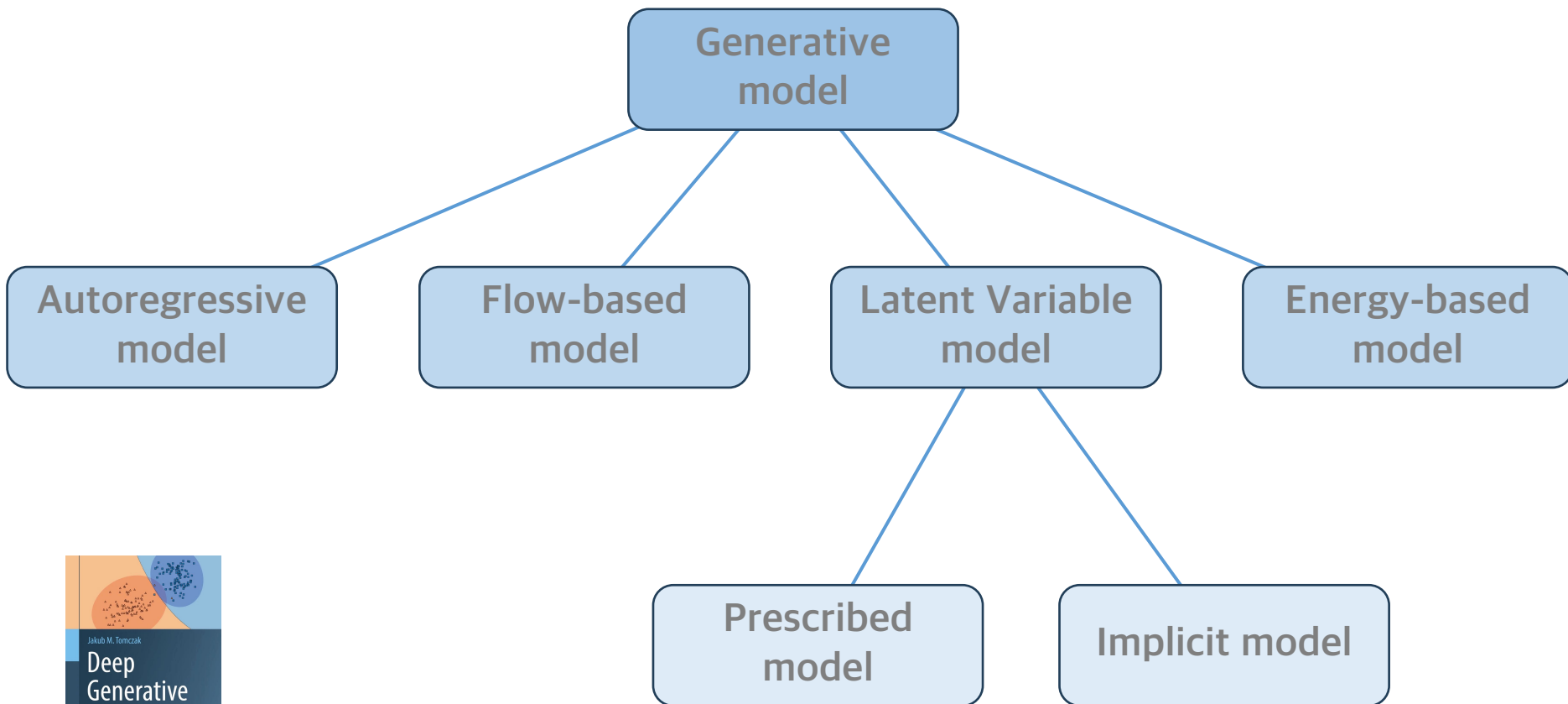
# The purpose of generative model

- **Generation:** sample  $x_{new}$  should look like training set(sampling)
- **Density estimation**
- **Unsupervised representation learning:** learn what these images have in common features

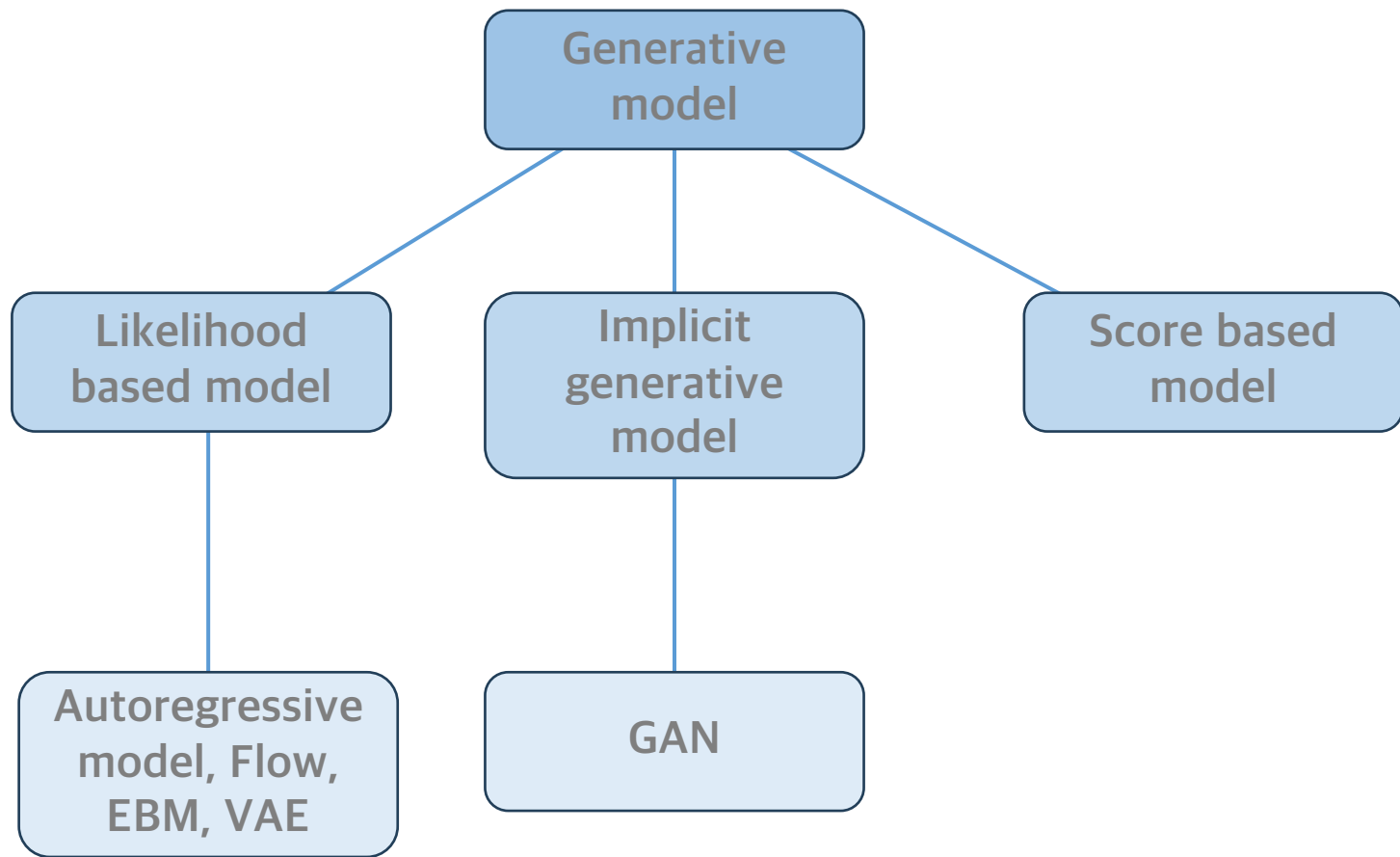
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(Yang Song)

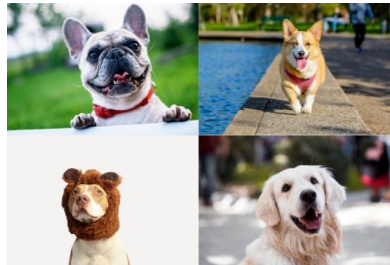
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# Goal of Lecture

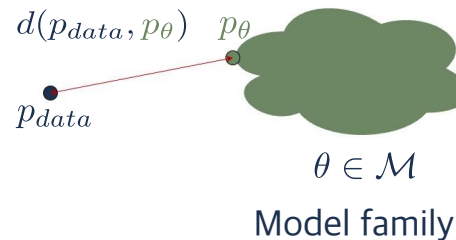
- We will study **Generative models that view the world under the lens of probability**
- In such a worldview, we can think of any kind of observed data, say  $D$ , as a finite set of samples from an underlying distribution, say  $p_{data}$
- The goal of any generative model is to approximate this data distribution given access to the dataset  $D$
- The hope is that if we can learn a good generative model, we can use the learned model for downstream inference
- Basic Probability Theory, Linear Algebra and techniques of Neural Network(e.g. CNN, RNN, Transformers, U-net etc.) are left as take-home work
- We will follow the Stanford CS236 lecture

# Road map and Challenges

- **Representation:** how do we model the joint distribution of many random variables?
  - Need compact representation
- **Learning:** what is the right way to compare probability distributions?



$$\mathbf{x}_i \sim p_{data}$$
$$i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$



- **Inference:** how do we invert the generation process (e.g., vision as inverse graphics)?
  - Unsupervised learning: recover high-level descriptions (features) from raw data



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# Overview

- What is Generative modeling?
- Generative vs Discriminative models
- Evaluating Generative models
  - Density estimation
  - Sampling/generation
    - Inception scores
    - Fréchet Inception Distance
    - Kernel Inception Distance

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# Evaluation

- How do we evaluate generative models?
- Evaluation of discriminative models (e.g., a classifier) is well understood compare task-specific loss(e.g., top-1 accuracy or AUROC) on unseen test data
- Evaluating generative models is highly non-trivial
- **Key question:** What is the task that you care about?
  - Density estimation
  - Sampling/generation

# Evaluation - Density Estimation

- Likelihood as a metric for density estimation
  - Split dataset into train, validation and test sets
  - Learn model  $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})$  using the train set
  - Tune hyperparameters on validation set
  - Evaluate generalization with likelihoods on test sets

$$E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{data}} [\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})]$$

- Remark: Not all models have tractable likelihoods e.g., VAE, GAN and EBM
  - For VAE, we can compare evidence lower bounds (ELBO) to log-likelihoods. How about GAN?
- Approximation methods are necessary. We can use kernel density estimates via samples alone.

# Kernel Density Estimation

- Given: A trained model  $p_{\theta}(x)$  with an intractable/ill-defined density
- Let  $S = \{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(6)}\}$  be 6 data points drawn from  $p_{\theta}(x)$

$x^{(1)}$	$x^{(2)}$	$x^{(3)}$	$x^{(4)}$	$x^{(5)}$	$x^{(6)}$
-2.1	-1.3	-0.4	1.9	5.1	6.2

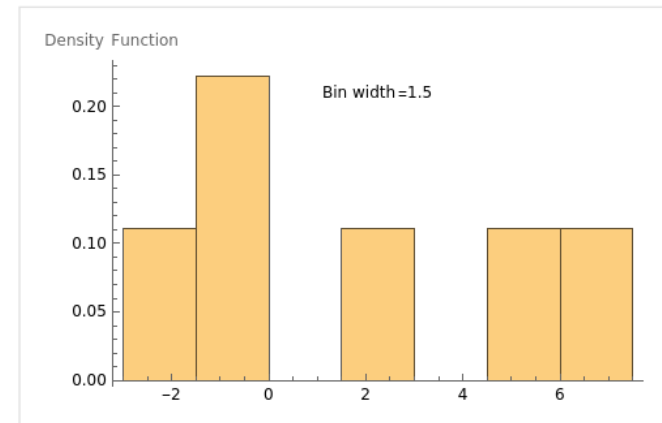
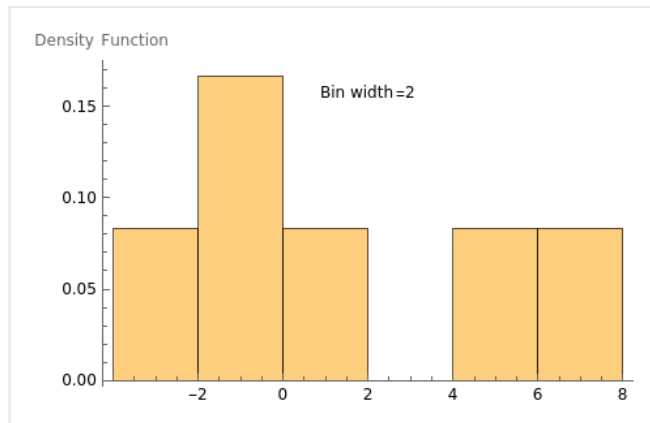
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- What is  $p_{\theta}(-0.5)$ ?
- Answer 1: Since  $0.5 \notin S$ ,  $p_{\theta}(-0.5) = 0$
- Answer 2: Compute a histogram

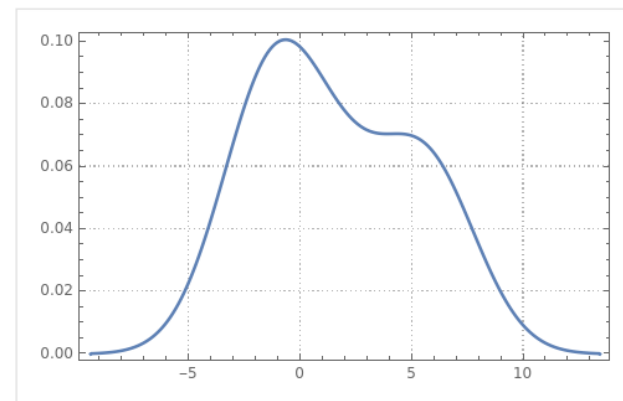
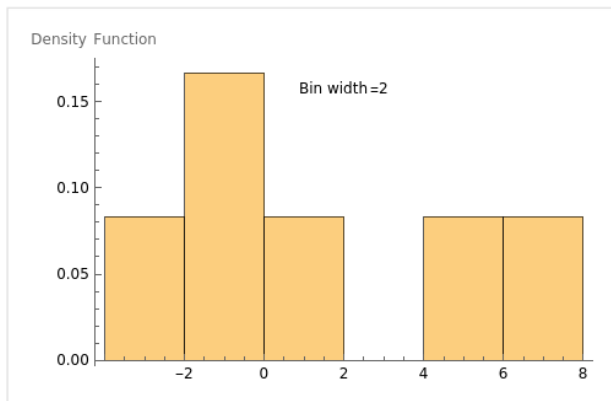


# Kernel Density Estimation

- Answer 3: Compute kernel density estimate (KDE) over  $\mathcal{S}$

$$\hat{p}(x) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x^{(i)} \in \mathcal{S}} K\left(\frac{x - x^{(i)}}{\sigma}\right)$$

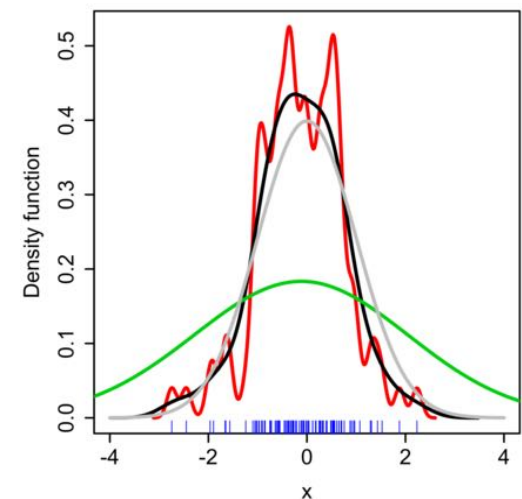
- where  $N = |\mathcal{S}|$ ,  $\sigma$  is called the bandwidth parameter and  $K$  is a kernel function
- Example: Gaussian kernel,  $K(u) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}u^2\right)$
- Histogram density estimate vs KDE estimate with Gaussian kernel





# Kernel Density Estimation

- A kernel  $K(\cdot)$  is any non-negative function satisfying two properties
  - Normalization:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(u) du = 1$  (ensures KDE is normalized)
  - Symmetric:  $K(u) = K(-u)$  for all  $u$
- Intuitively, a kernel is a measure of similarity between pairs of points
- Bandwidth parameter  $\sigma$  controls the smoothness
  - Optimal sigma (black) is such that KDE is closed to true density (grey)
  - Low sigma (red): under smoothed
  - High sigma (green): over smoothed
  - Tuned via cross validation
- Con: KDE is very unreliable in high dimension



# Evaluation - Sample quality



- Which of these two sets of generated samples look better?
- Human evaluation (e.g., Mechanical Turk) is the gold standard

# Evaluation - HYPE

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## **HYPE: A Benchmark for Human eYe Perceptual Evaluation of Generative Models**

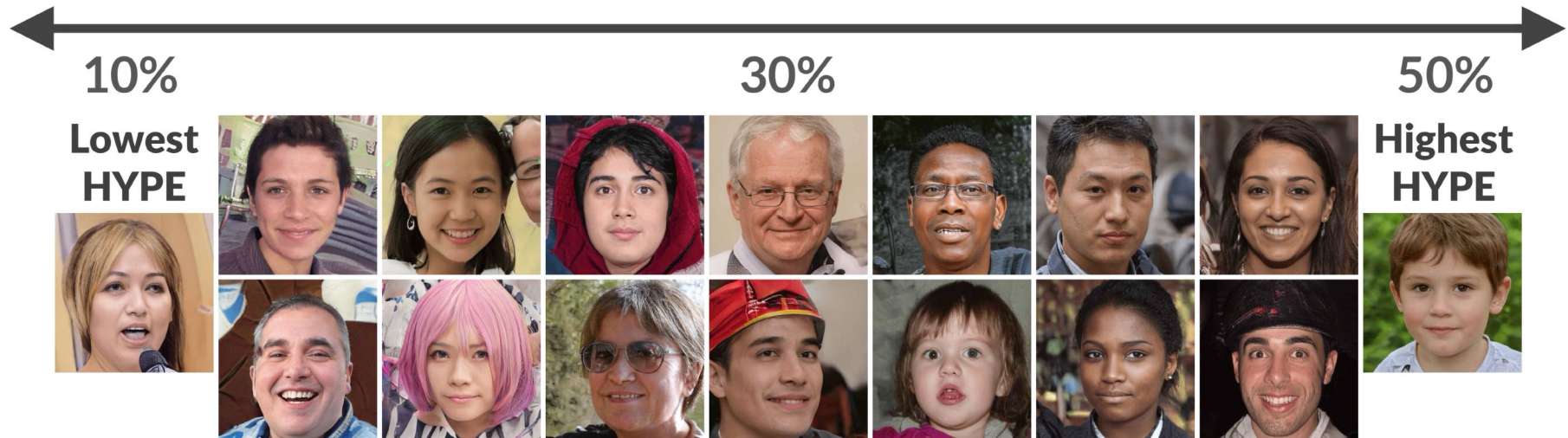
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- HYPE: Human eYe Perceptual Evaluation (Zhou et al., 2019)
  - $\text{HYPE}_{\text{time}}$ : the minimum time human needed to decide a classification. The larger, the better
  - $\text{HYPE}_{\infty}$ : The percentage of samples the deceive human under unlimited time. The larger, the better
  - <https://stanfordhci.github.io/gen-eval>

# Evaluation - HYPE



- Generalization is hard to define and assess. Memorizing the training set would give excellent samples but clearly undesirable
- Quantitative evaluation of a qualitative task can have many answers
- Popular metrics: Inception Scores, Fréchet Inception Distance Scores, Kernel Inception Distance

# Inception Scores

- **Assumption 1:** We are evaluating sample quality for generative models trained on labelled datasets
- **Assumption 2:** We have a good probabilistic classifier  $c(y|x)$  for predicting the label  $y$  for any point(image)  $x$
- We want samples from a good generative model to satisfy two criteria: sharpness and diversity (Salimans et al. 2016)
- Sharpness (S)



Low sharpness

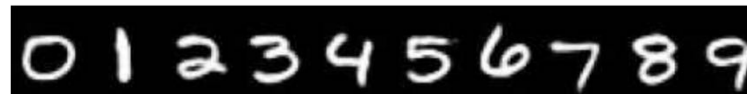


High sharpness

- Diversity (D)



Low diversity



High diversity

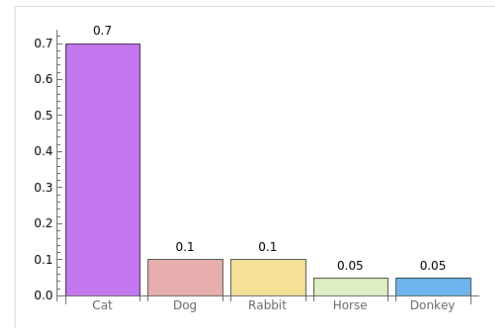
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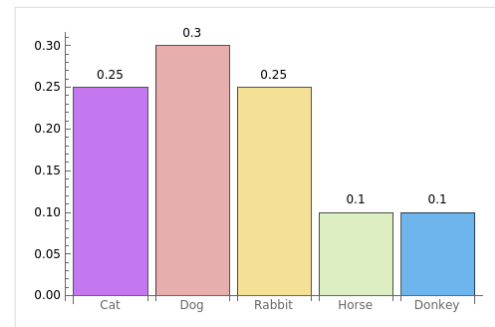
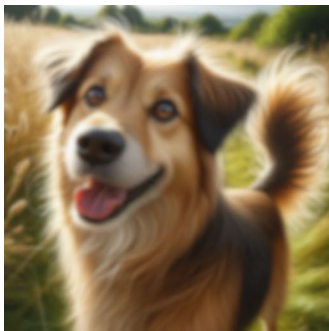
$$x \sim p_\theta$$



$$c(y|x)$$



Highly  
confident



Lowly  
confident



# Inception Scores

- Sharpness (S)



Low sharpness



High sharpness

- Given: generated data  $\mathbf{x}$ , well trained probabilistic classifier  $c(y|\mathbf{x})$
- High sharpness implies classifier is confident in making predictions for generated images
- I.e., classifier's predictive distribution  $c(y|\mathbf{x})$  has low entropy
- The label  $y \sim \text{Categorical distribution}$

$$S := \exp \left( E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\theta}} \left[ \int c(y|\mathbf{x}) \log c(y|\mathbf{x}) dy \right] \right)$$

- where  $p_{\theta}$  is generative model distribution

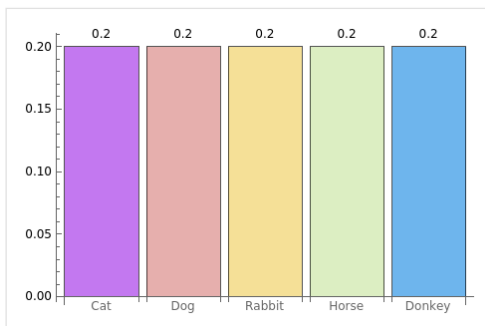
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- Diversity (D)

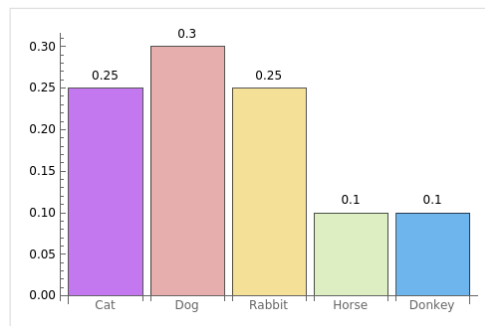
$$x \sim p_\theta$$



$$E_{x \sim p_\theta} [c(y|x)]$$



High  
diversity



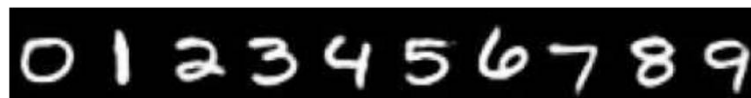
Low  
diversity

# Inception Scores

- Diversity (D)



Low diversity



High diversity

- High diversity implies  $c(y)$  has high entropy

$$D := \exp \left( - \int c(y) \log c(y) dy \right)$$

- where  $c(y) := E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\theta}} [c(y|\mathbf{x})]$  is the classifier's marginal predictive distribution

# Inception Scores

- Inception scores (IS) combine the two criteria of sharpness and diversity into a simple metric

$$S \cdot D = \exp \left( -E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\theta}} \left[ \int c(y|\mathbf{x}) (\log c(y) - \log c(y|\mathbf{x})) dy \right] \right)$$

- Notice that IS can be written as

$$\exp \left( E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\theta}} \left[ KL(c(y|\mathbf{x}) \parallel c(y)) \right] \right)$$

- Higher IS corresponds to better generation quality
- If classifiers are not available, we can not obtain Inception scores
- IS only requires samples from  $p_{\theta}$  and do not consider the desired data distribution  $p_{data}$

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# Fréchet Inception Distance

- Fréchet Inception Distance (FID) measures similarities in the feature representations(e.g. those learned by a pretrained classifier) for datapoints sampled from  $p_\theta$  and the test dataset
- Computing FID
  - Let  $G$  denote the generated samples and  $T$  denote the test dataset
  - Compute feature representation  $F_G$  and  $F_T$  for  $G$  and  $T$  respectively (e.g., prefinal layer of Inception Net)
  - Fit a multivariate Gaussian to each of  $F_G$  and  $F_T$ .
  - Let  $(\mu_G, \Sigma_G)$  and  $(\mu_F, \Sigma_F)$  denote the mean and covariances of the two Gaussians
  - FID is defined as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wasserstein distance between these two Gaussians(Heusel et al. 2017)

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# Fréchet Inception Distance

- FID is defined as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wasserstein distance between these two Gaussians:

$$FID = \|\mu_T - \mu_G\|_2^2 + \text{Tr}(\Sigma_T + \Sigma_G - 2(\Sigma_T \Sigma_G)^{1/2})$$

- Lower FID implies better sample quality
- Feature representations are assumed to follow Multivariate Gaussian



# Kernel Inception Distance

- Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD) is a two-sample test statistic that compares samples from two distributions  $p$  and  $q$  by computing differences in their moments (mean, variances etc.)
- **Key idea:** Use a suitable kernel e.g., Gaussian kernel to measure similarity between points

$$MMD(p, q) = E_{x, x' \sim p}[K(x, x')] + E_{x, x' \sim q}[K(x, x')] - 2E_{x \sim p, x' \sim q}[K(x, x')]$$

- Intuitively, MMD is comparing the “**similarity**” between samples within  $p$  and  $q$  individually to the samples from the mixture of  $p$  and  $q$
- Kernel Inception Distance (KID): compute the MMD in the feature space of a classifier (e.g., Inception Network) (Bińkowski et al., 2018)

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# Summary

- How do we evaluate generative models?
- For unsupervised evaluation, metrics can significantly vary based on end goal: Density estimation, sampling, latent representations
  - Kernel density estimation
  - Inception scores
  - Fréchet inception distance
  - Kernel inception distance

# Thanks

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