



# Introduction to Machine Learning

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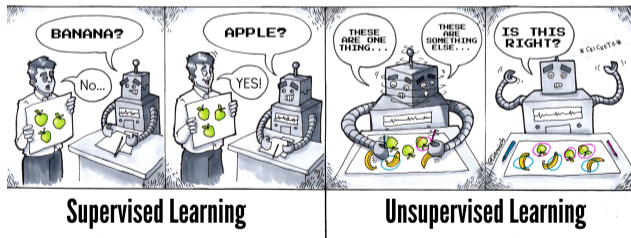


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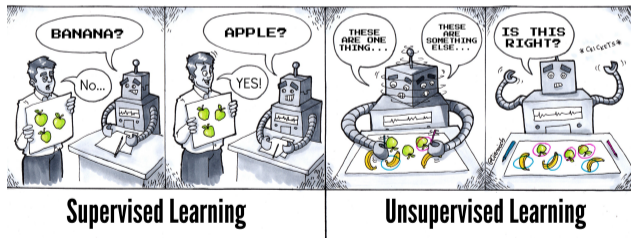


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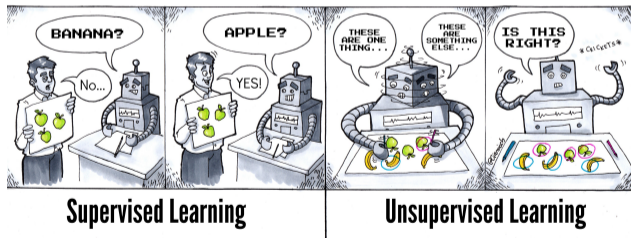


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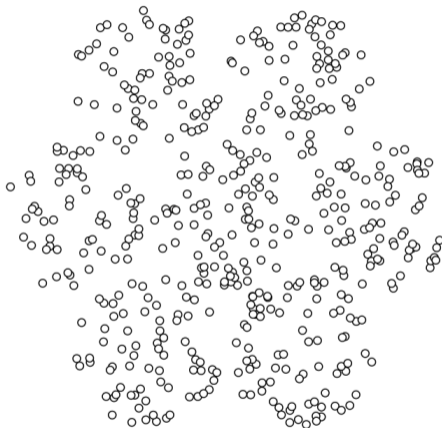


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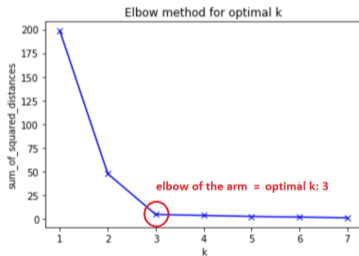


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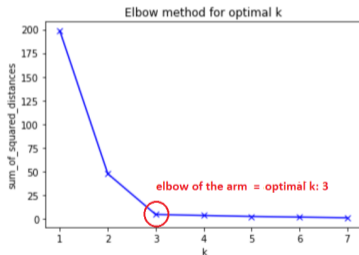


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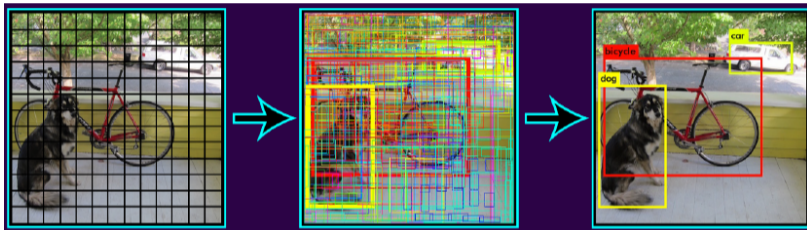


Figure 4: Yolo Object Detection  
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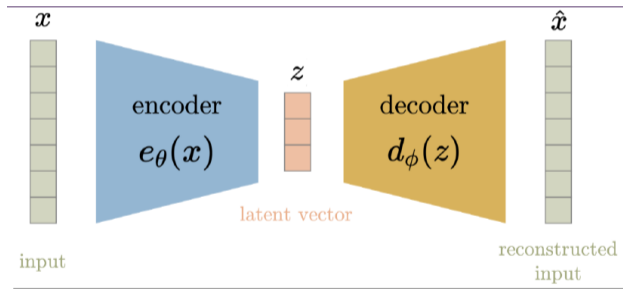


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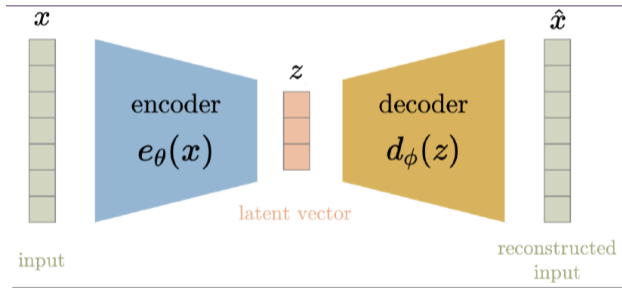


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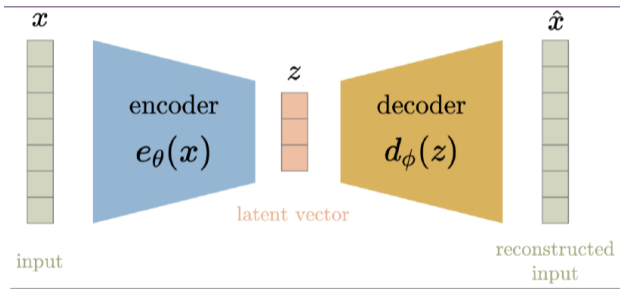


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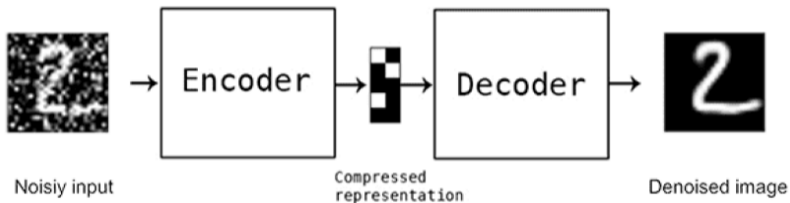


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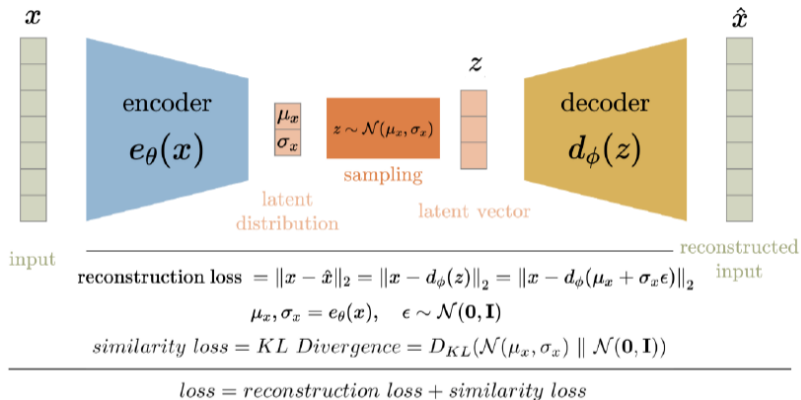


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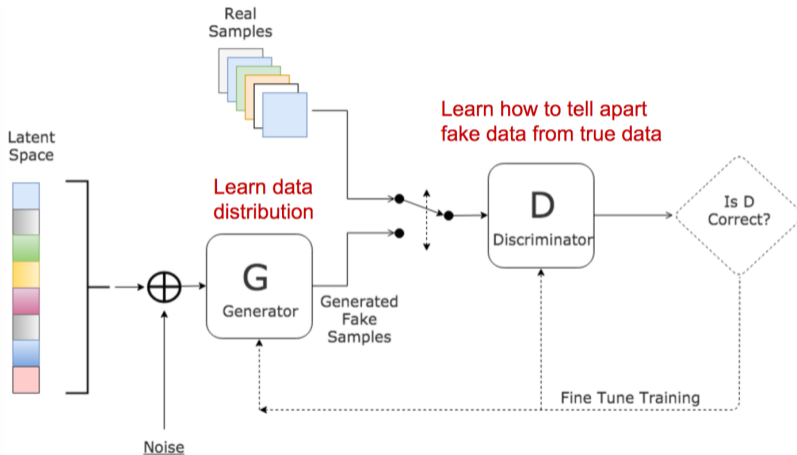


Figure 9: GANs - Architecture

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Figure 10: Progress of GANs

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Figure 11: Cats that don't exist

## Applications of GANs - Image Coloring



Figure 12: Image colorization  
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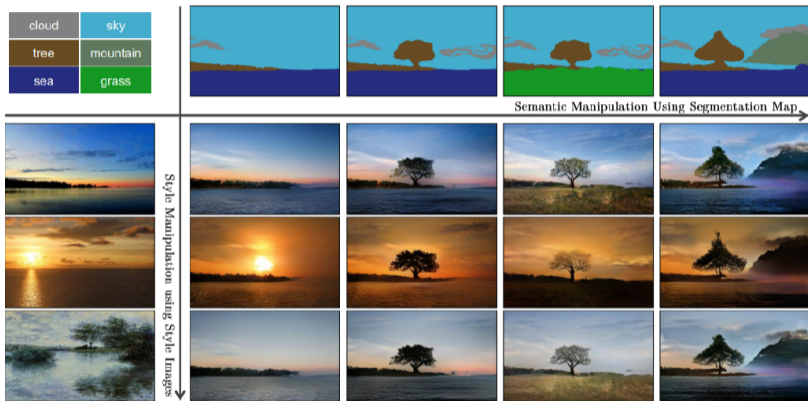


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## Example of Bias

- ▶ PULSE is a face depixelizing algorithm -

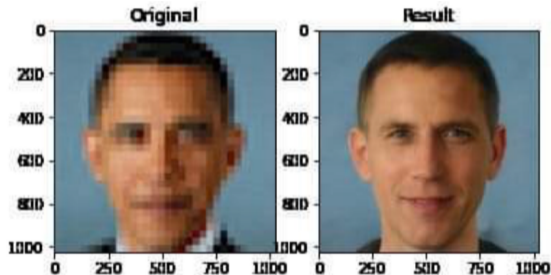


Figure 15: Bias shown in Models

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- ▶ CelebA dataset has images of "traditionally attractive", predominantly white and cis people with heavy makeup, which are potentially photoshopped.
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