Augmented Cyclic Consistency Regularization for Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation

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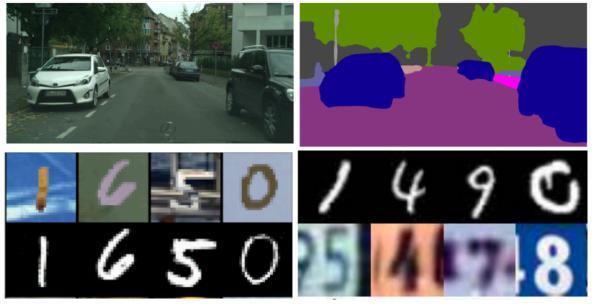
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Image-to-Image Translation

Mapping images from one domain to another

- Generator: $X \rightarrow Y$
- Discriminator: Y → R (real/fake)
- Applicable to several downstream tasks
 - → Domain Adaptation, Person Re-identification
- Focus: Stabilizing the training of I2I translation



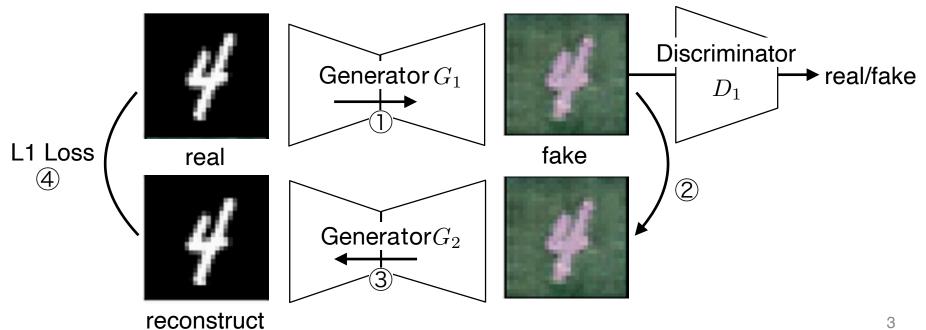


CycleGAN [J.Y Zhu+, ICCV'17]

Unpaired I2I translation with two generators

 Cycle-consistency constraint Pixel-level regularization b/w real and reconstructed images

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cyc}}(G_1, G_2) = \mathbb{E}_{x_1 \sim p_{\text{data}}(x_1)} \left[\| G_2(G_1(x_1)) - x_1 \|_1 \right] + \mathbb{E}_{x_2 \sim p_{\text{data}}(x_2)} \left[\| G_1(G_2(x_2)) - x_2 \|_1 \right]$$

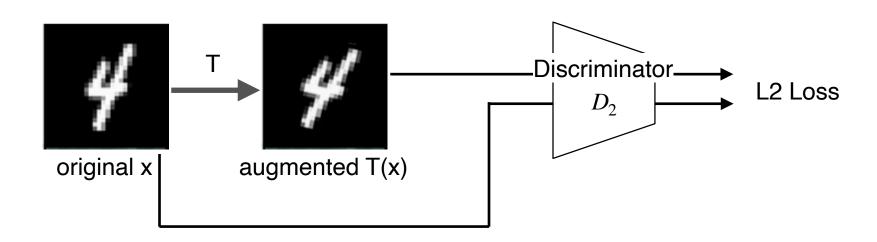


Consistency Regularization (CR) [M.Sajjadi+, NeurlPS'16]

Improve robustness using data perturbation

$$L_{cr} = ||D(x) - D(T(x))||^2$$

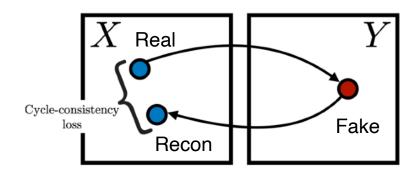
- x: image, T: flip, rotation, crop, color jitter
- Improve the smoothness of predictive distribution around training samples



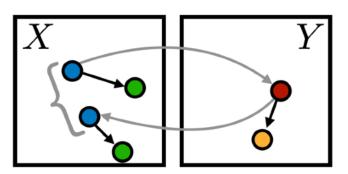
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Consistency regularization for I2I translation

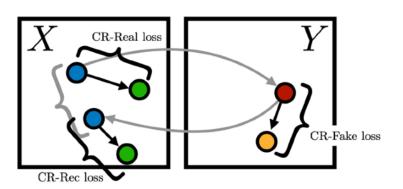
Step1: CycleGAN



Step2: Data augmentation



Step3: Consistency regularization



Results

Achieved state-of-the-art performance on

- 1. MNSIT (M) ↔ MNIST-M (MM), MNSIT (M) <-> SVHN (S)
- 2. Maps ↔ Aerial photo
- 3. Cityscapes labels ↔ Photo





