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## Introduction

#### **Non-linear Generative Mixture Modeling:**

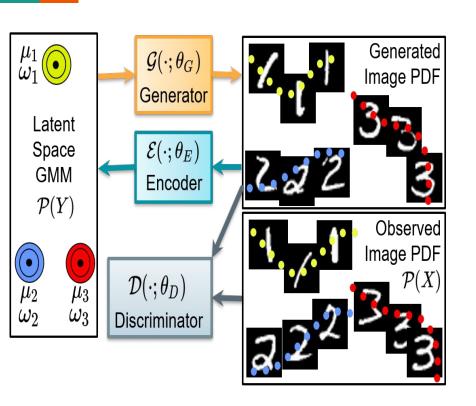
- Useful way to model high dimensional data distributions.
- Has various applications in the field of image analysis such as clustering, interpolation or data generation.
- We propose a novel statistical framework for a DNN-based mixture model (DNN-MM) using a generator, an encoder and a discriminator.

## Introduction

#### MinMax learning + EM

- Propose a novel data-likelihood term relying on a well regularized/constrained GMM in the latent space along with a prior term on the DNN weights.
- Propose a novel learning formulation by combining minmax learning with EM-based learning, termed MinMax+EM, leveraging a variational lower bound that analytically guarantees tightness to the log-likelihood of the data
- Finally, we extend our model to the semi-supervised setting, where the labels are available for a fraction of the dataset

## **Our Approach**

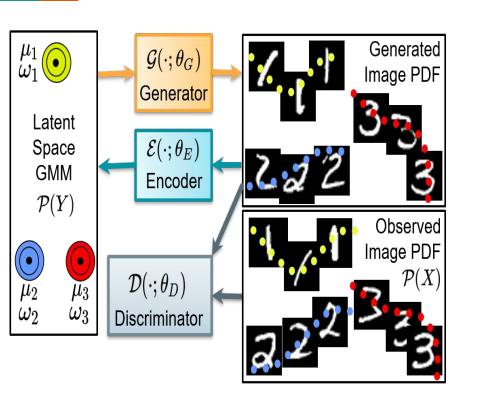


**Generator Modelling**: DNN-based generator,  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot;\theta_G)$  parameterized by DNN weights  $\theta_G$  to generate images belonging to the real data distribution P(X) through the nonlinear transformation on a random vector Y having a known PDF P(Y)

**Encoder Modelling:** Encoder mapping  $\mathcal{E}(\cdot; \theta_E)$ , parameterized by DNN weights  $\theta_E$ , that maps images X to the latent space Y

**Discriminator modelling**: Model a mapping,  $\mathcal{D}(\cdot;\theta_D)$  parameterized by DNN weights  $\theta_D$ , such that  $\mathcal{D}(X';\theta_D)$  gives the probability of image X' being drawn from the PDF P(X) of real-world images.

## **Our Approach**

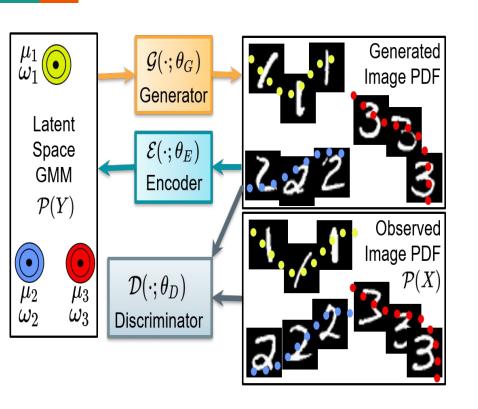


#### Latent space modelling:

- Latent-space PDF P(Y) as a mixture of K (fixed) Gaussians in latent space
- Covariance being the identity matrix I
- Mixture weights  $\omega_k$  (learnable)
- Let Z be a hidden categorical random variable indicating the mixture component to which image X belongs and let Z take integer values within [1, K]. Thus, the prior becomes,  $P(Z=k)=\omega_k$ , where

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k = 1$$

# Our Approach - Probability Modelling



Likelihood for an image X given the prior weights  $\omega_k$ :

$$P(X|\theta_E,\omega) := \sum_{k=1}^K \omega_k P(X|Z=k,\theta_E). \tag{1}$$

Probability density for image X drawn from cluster k:

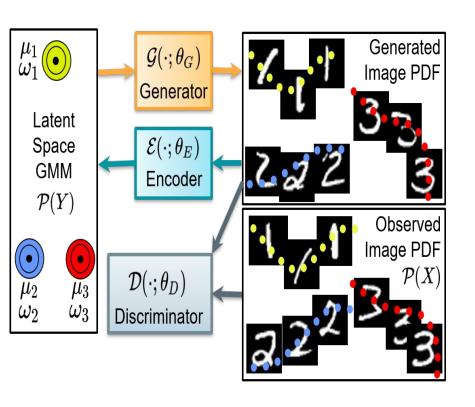
$$P(X|Z=k,\theta_E) := \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(X;\theta_E);\mu_k,\mathbf{I}). \tag{2}$$

Calculating membership of image X to cluster k and thus, log-likelihood:

$$P(Z = k|X, \theta_E, \omega) = \frac{\omega_k \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(X; \theta_E); \mu_k, \mathbf{I})}{\sum_{k'=1}^K \omega_{k'} \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(X; \theta_E); \mu_{k'}, \mathbf{I})}.$$
 (3)

$$E_{P(X)} \log \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(X; \theta_E); \mu_k, \mathbf{I}) \right].$$
 (4)

## Our Approach - Probability Modelling



#### **Consistency Prior on Generator + Encoder:**

To ensure that Encoder mappings and Generator mappings are inverses of each other, we propose a log-prior  $\log P(\theta_G, \theta_E)$  -

$$E_{P(Y)}[-\|Y - \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{G}(Y;\theta_G);\theta_E)\|_2^2]$$
(5)

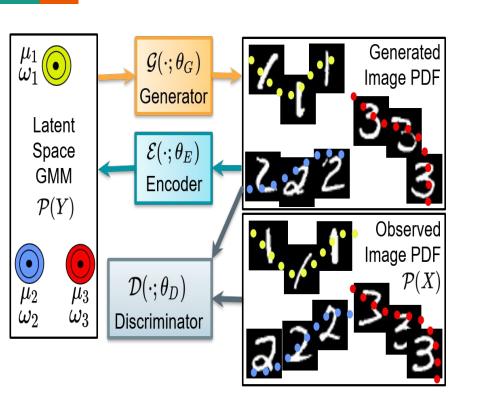
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k E_{Y_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_k, \mathbf{I})} [-\|Y_k - \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{G}(Y_k; \theta_G); \theta_E)\|_2^2].$$
 (6)

#### **GAN loss terms:**

$$E_{P(X)}[-\log \mathcal{D}(X;\theta_D)] + E_{P(Y)}[\log \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}(Y;\theta_G);\theta_D)]$$
(7)  
=  $E_{P(X)}[-\log \mathcal{D}(X;\theta_D)]$ 

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k E_{Y_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_k, \mathbf{I})} [\log \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}(Y_k; \theta_G); \theta_D)], \tag{8}$$

## Our Approach - EM lower bound



## Optimal lower bound on the log-likelihood:

In the E step, we simplify the log-likelihood through its optimal lower bound as follows. Consider iteration t, with current parameter estimates  $\{\theta_G^t, \theta_E^t, \theta_D^t, \omega^t\}$ . The E step then designs the function

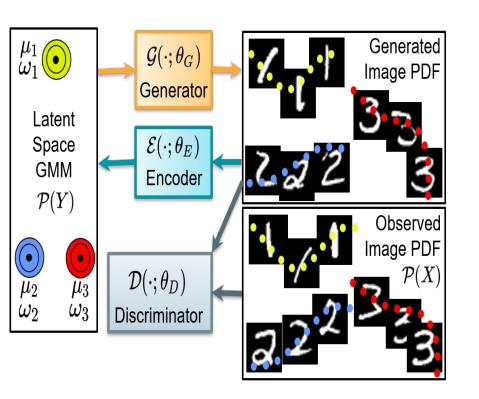
$$Q(\theta_E, \omega; \theta_E^t, \omega^t)$$

$$:= E_{P(X)} E_{P(Z|X,\theta_E^t,\omega^t)} [\log P(X,Z|\theta_E,\omega)]$$
(10)

$$= E_{P(X)} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(Z = k | X, \theta_E^t, \omega^t) \log P(X | Z = k, \theta_E, \omega) \right]$$

$$+ E_{P(X)} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(Z = k | X, \theta_E^t, \omega^t) \log \omega_k \right], \tag{11}$$

## **Our Approach - Unsupervised Learning**

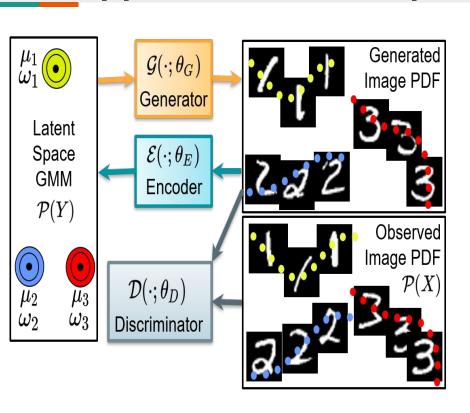


#### Final objective function at time step t:

$$\min_{\theta_D} \max_{\omega,\theta_G,\theta_E} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \gamma_{nk}^t \left( \log \omega_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(x_n; \theta_E); \mu_k, \mathbf{I}) \right) 
-\lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k \sum_{s=1}^{S} \|y_k^s - \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{G}(y_k^s; \theta_G); \theta_E)\|_2^2 
-\lambda_2 \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log \mathcal{D}(x_n; \theta_D) 
+\lambda_2 \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k \sum_{s=1}^{S} \log \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}(y_k^s; \theta_G); \theta_D).$$
(12)

Where  $\gamma_{nk}^t$  represents posterior membership of data point  $x_n$  to the kth cluster based on parameter estimates at time step t

# **Our Approach - Semi-Supervised Learning**



Have a small set of images  $\{\widetilde{X}_m\}_{m=1}^M$ , with cluster labels  $\{\widetilde{Z}_m \in [1,K]\}_{m=1}^M$  and consider the membership function for these images to be crisp  $\sum \mathcal{I}(\widetilde{Z}_m, k) \left( \log \omega_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(\widetilde{x}_m; \theta_E); \mu_k, \mathbf{I}) \right)$  $+\sum \gamma_{nk}^t (\log \omega_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{E}(x_n; \theta_E); \mu_k, \mathbf{I}))$  $-\lambda_1 \sum \omega_k \sum \|y_k^s - \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{G}(y_k^s;\theta_G);\theta_E)\|_2^2$  $-\lambda_2 \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log \mathcal{D}(x_n; \theta_D) - \lambda_2 \sum_{m=1}^{M} \log \mathcal{D}(\widetilde{x}_m; \theta_D)$  $+\lambda_2 \sum_{k=1}^{K} \omega_k \sum_{s=1}^{S} \log \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{G}(y_k^s; \theta_G); \theta_D),$ (13)

Here,  $\mathcal{I}(\widetilde{Z}_m,k)$  is the indicator function that takes a value of 1 when  $\widetilde{Z}_m=k$  and takes a value of 0 otherwise

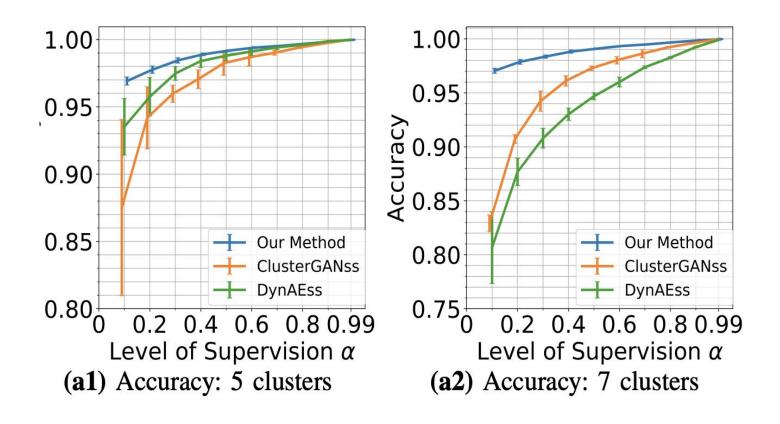
# **Experiments & Results**

- Datasets & Metrics:
  - MNIST, CIFAR10 (Noisy), CelebA (Noisy)
  - Accuracy, ARI, NMI

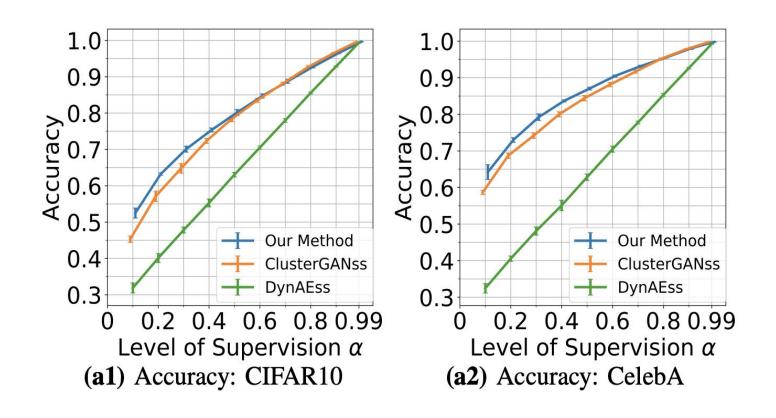
#### Baselines:

- ClusterGANss:
  - Semi-supervised version of ClusterGAN with an additional loss term penalizing the cross entropy between its encoder-estimated encodings and the true one-hot encodings for the labelled subset of training set
- DynAEss:
  - Semi-supervised version of DynAE with a similar loss term

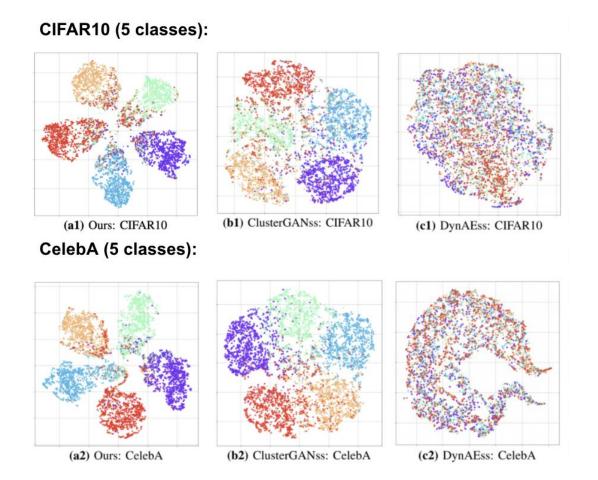
#### MNIST Dataset: 5 & 7 classes, 1000 images of each digit



#### CIFAR10 & CelebA Dataset: 5 classes, 1000 images of each class



#### t-SNE visualizations for latent space PDFs at 0.5 supervision



## Conclusion

- Our GMM-based data-likelihood maximizing formulation leads to statistically significantly better performance than ClusterGANss and DynAEss, especially at smaller levels of supervision α, indicating improved robustness to noise, for all the datasets.
- Unlike VAE-based methods, our min-max learning increases the data likelihood using a tight variational lower bound using EM
- Results on three real-world image datasets demonstrate the benefits of our compact modeling and learning formulation over the state of the art for nonlinear generative image (mixture) modeling and image clustering

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