

Appendix

A. Proof of the Optimal Discriminator

We derive the optimal discriminator in Equation 5 by minimizing the $V_{\text{LSGAN}}(D)$ in Equation 4 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V(D) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} [(D(\mathbf{x}) - b)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p_{\mathbf{z}}} [(D(G(\mathbf{z})) - a)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} [(D(\mathbf{x}) - b)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_g} [(D(\mathbf{x}) - a)^2] \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{2} (p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})(D(\mathbf{x}) - b)^2 + p_g(\mathbf{x})(D(\mathbf{x}) - a)^2) d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the internal function:

$$\frac{1}{2} (p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})(D(\mathbf{x}) - b)^2 + p_g(\mathbf{x})(D(\mathbf{x}) - a)^2),$$

It achieves the minimum at $\frac{bp_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + ap_g(\mathbf{x})}{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + p_g(\mathbf{x})}$ with respect to $D(\mathbf{x})$, which is the definition of the optimal discriminator in Equation 5.