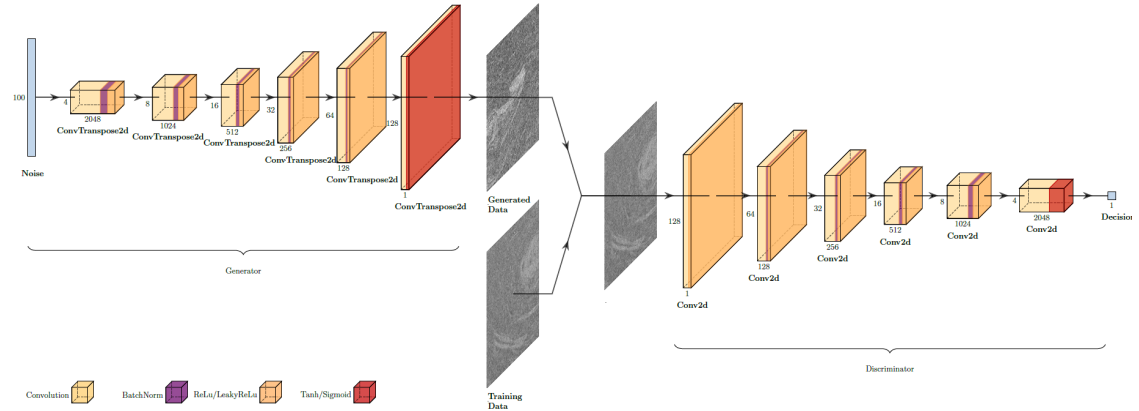
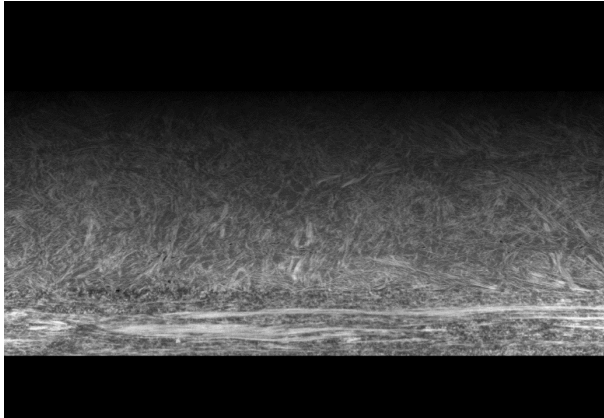




Microstructure generation of carbon fiber reinforced polyamide 6 by a generative adversarial network (GAN) based on μ CT data

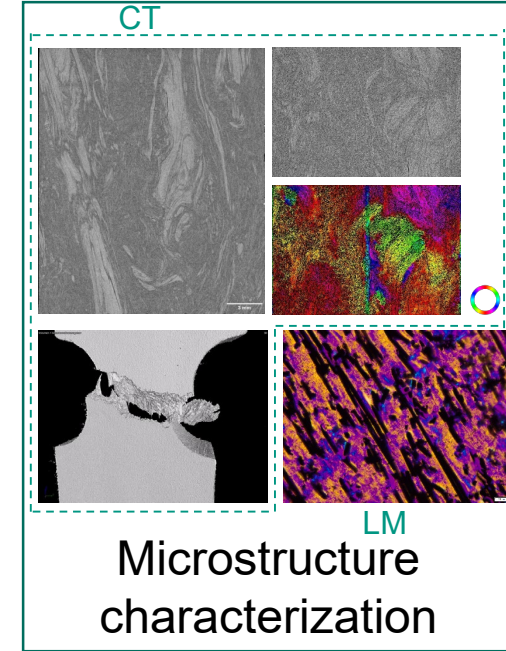
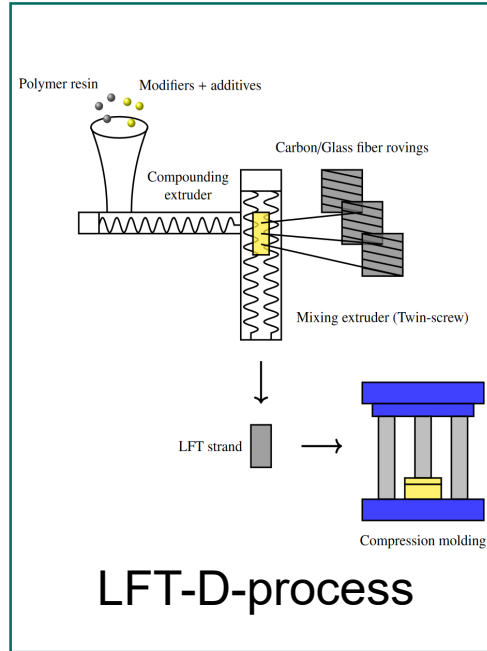
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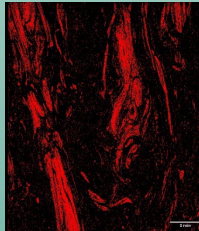


Carbon fiber
reinforced polyamide
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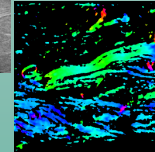
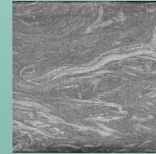
Microstructure characterization on volumetric images

Fiber volume content (FVC)



- Elastic properties
- Density

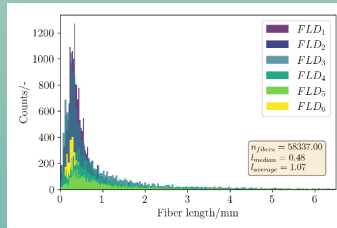
Fiber orientation distributions



- Elastic properties
- Creep behaviour

0.105635	-0.093760	0.008141
-0.093760	0.859305	-0.104421
0.008141	-0.104421	0.035060

Fiber length distribution (FLD)



- Damage initiation
- Flow behaviour

In-situ tests

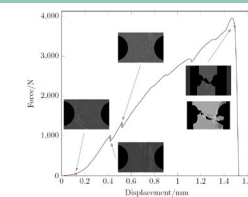
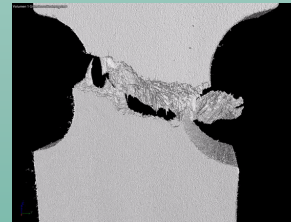


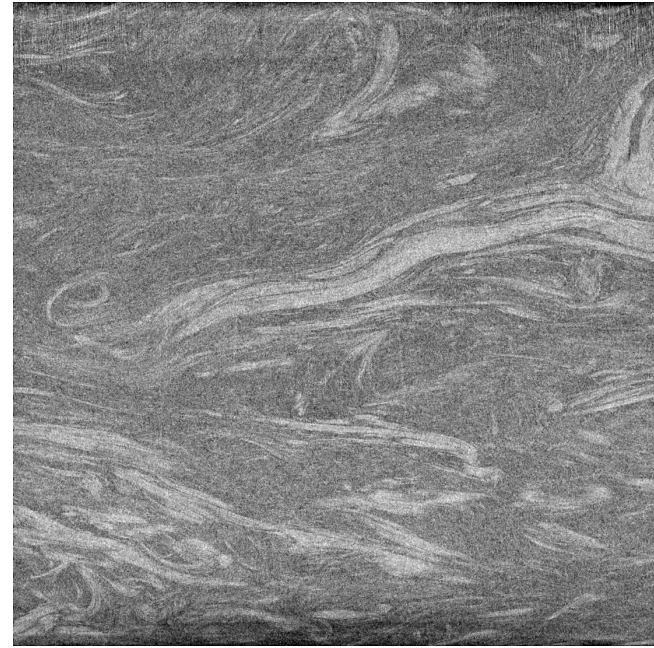
Figure 1: Force-displacement-curves for in-situ tensile test of PA6/CF sample

BUT: Low image quality of CFRP scans

- **Low contrast** between carbon fiber and polymer
- High resolution needed due to **small diameter** of carbon fiber
- Both leads to high amount of salt and pepper **noise** in CT scans

→ Generate realistic microstructures in order to understand behavior better

25 mm

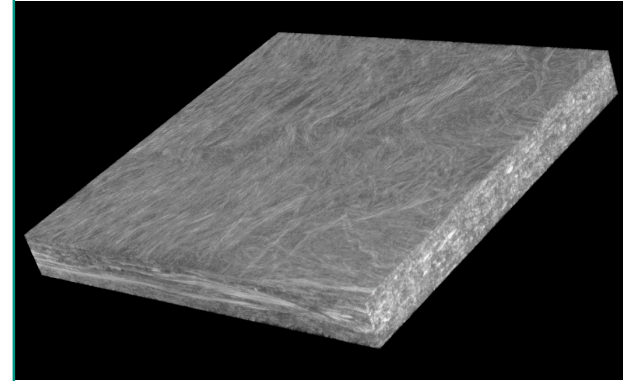


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State of the art: Microstructure generation

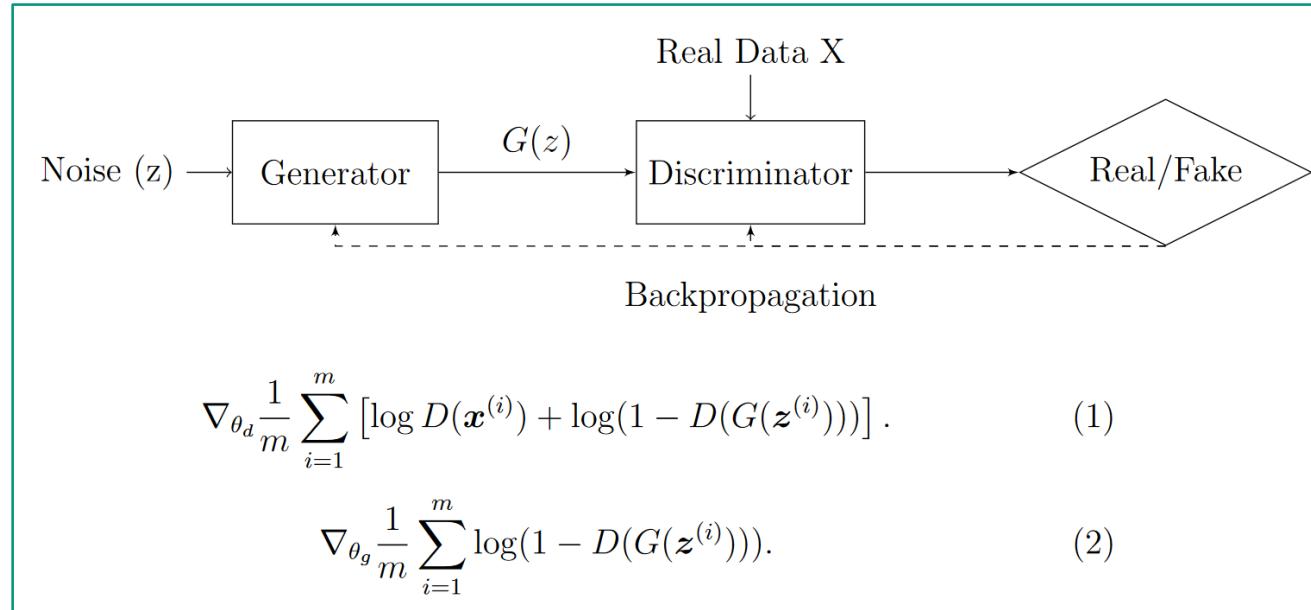


- Conventional approach:
“sphere-packing algorithms”
(RSA [1], Lubachevsky-Stillinger [2],
mechanical contraction [3],
Torquato-Jiao[4])
- Problems for higher FVC or fiber curvature
- Newer, improved approaches
(Schneider 2022 [5])



- Alternative: AI-based approach
- Generative adversarial networks (GANs) introduced by Goodfellow et al. in 2014 [6]

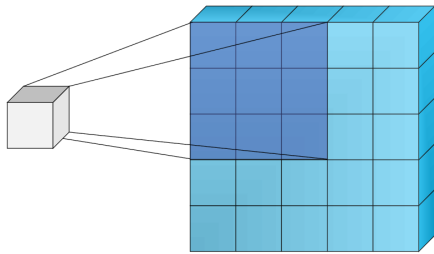
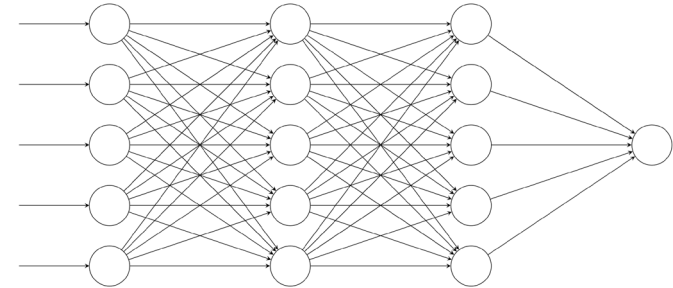
Generative adversarial network (GAN)



GAN vs. DCGAN

- Dense layers (feed-forward)
- Continuous convolution

$$(f * g)(x) := \int f(\tau)g(x - \tau)d\tau$$



10	10	10	0	0	0
10	10	10	0	0	0
10	10	10	0	0	0
10	10	10	0	0	0
10	10	10	0	0	0
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Image

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1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

3 × 3 filter

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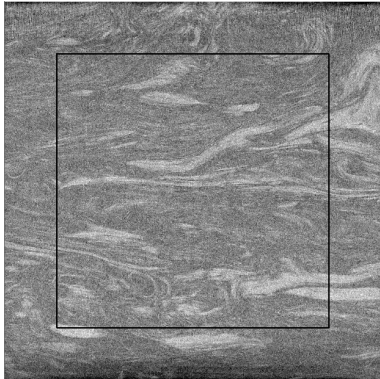
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Feature map

Input data and pre-processing

1. Cutting

1024
× 1024



2. Resizing

128
× 128

3. Normalization

$2^8 = 256 \text{ values}$
 $\in [0,1] \rightarrow \in [-1,1]$

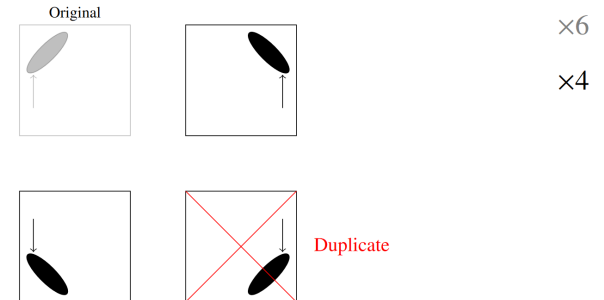
$$x_{train,new} = \frac{x_{train} - \mu_{train}}{\sigma_{train}}$$

4. Augmentation

Rotation

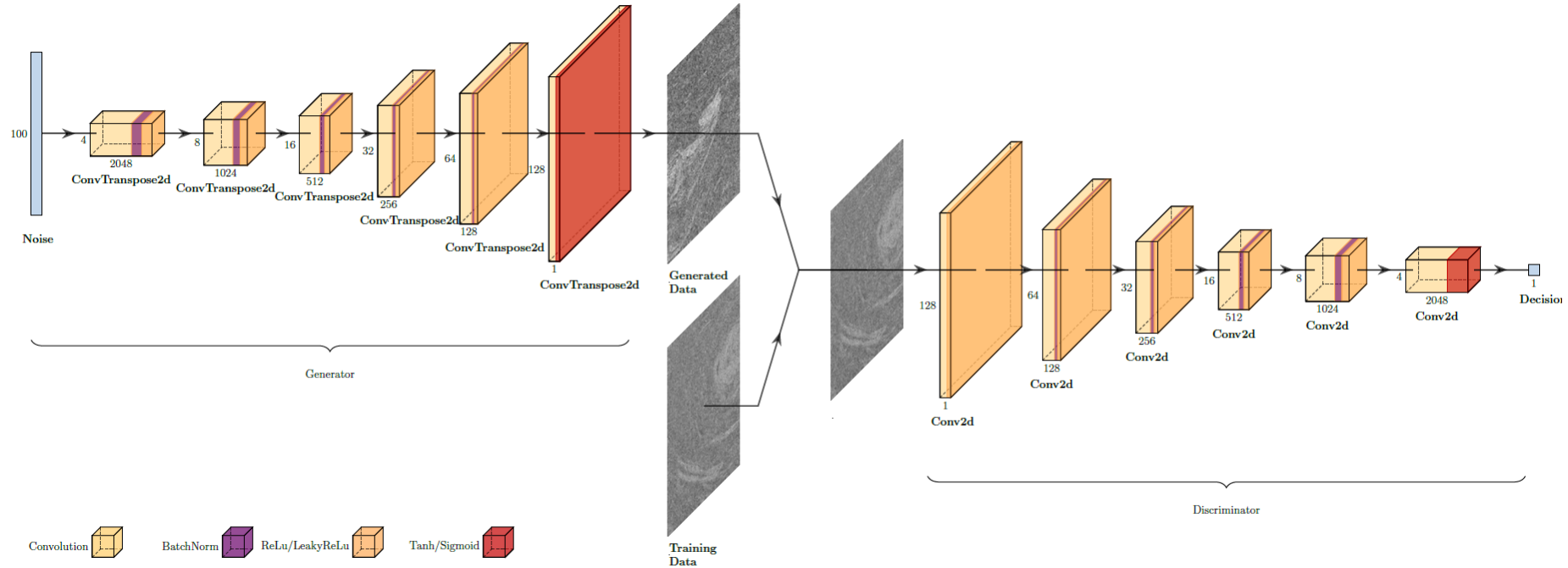


Mirroring



Duplicate

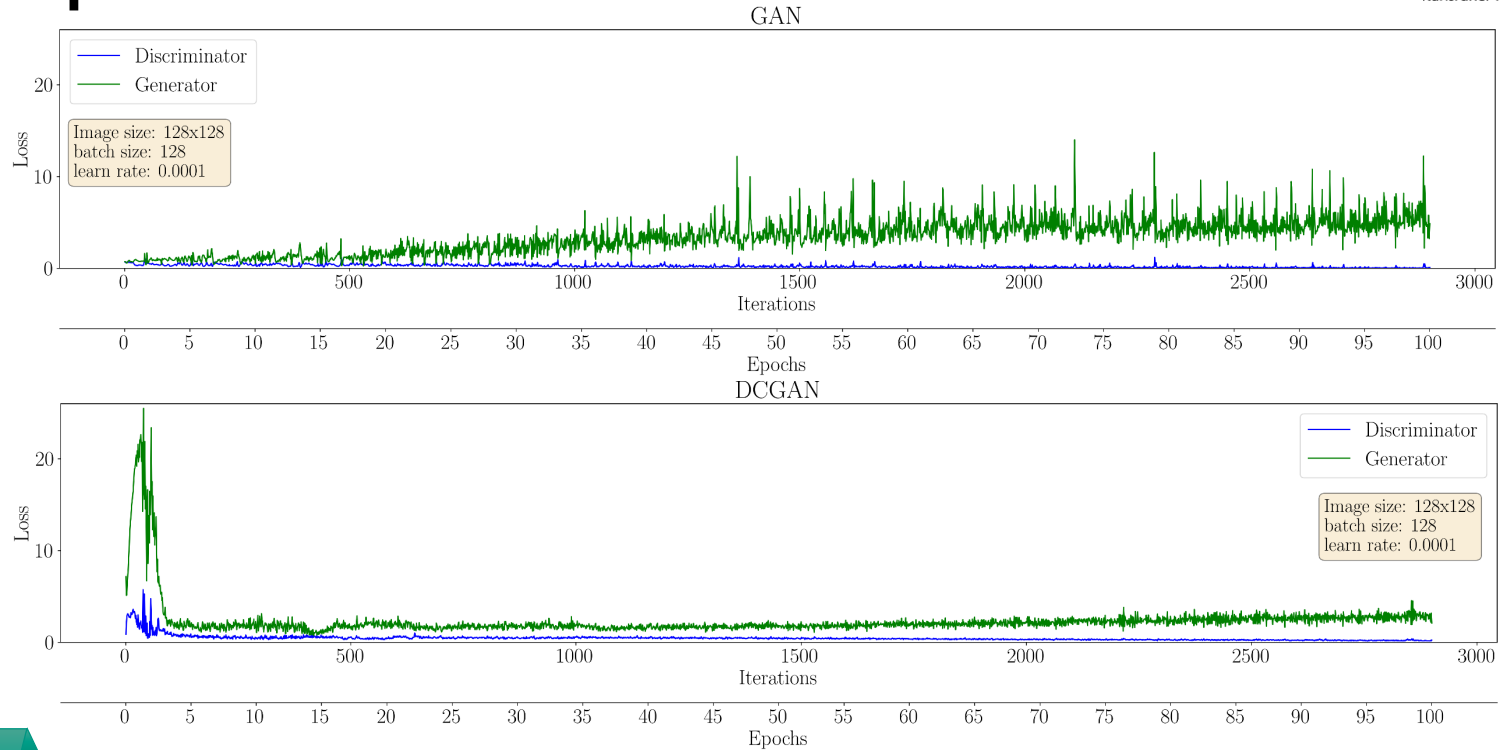
DCGAN network architecture



Additional parameters

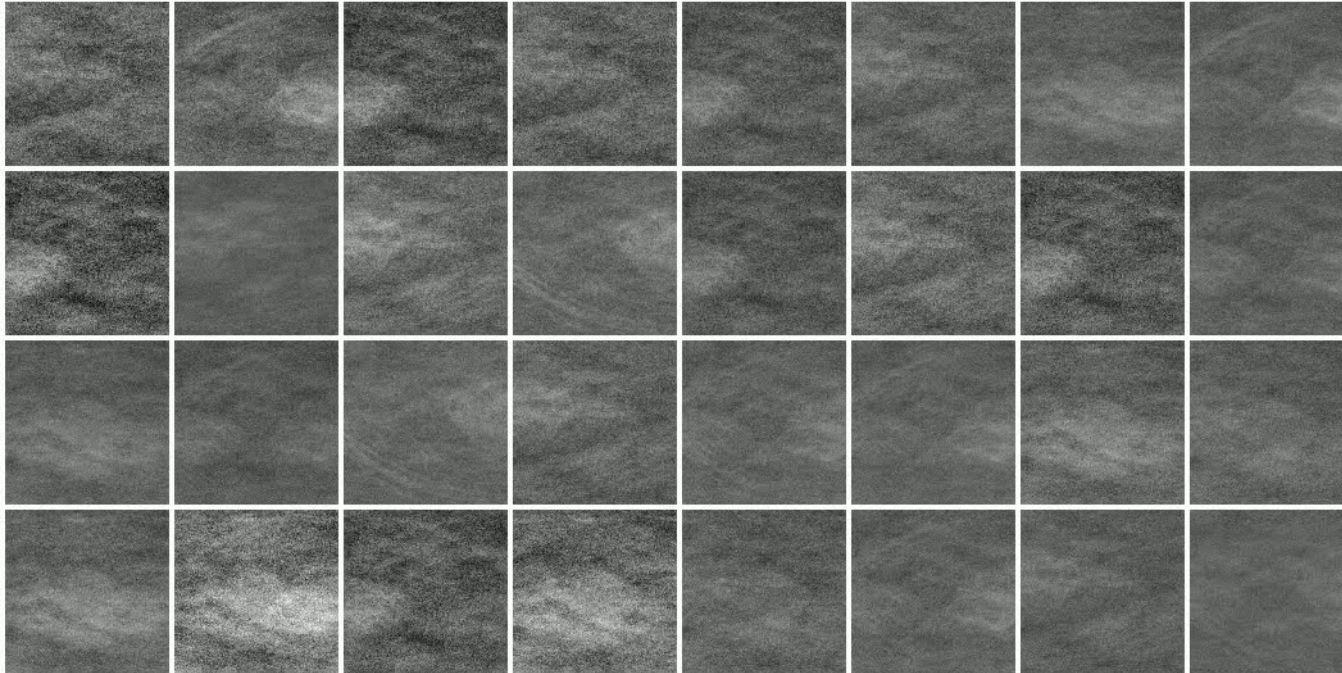
Parameter	Chosen value
Learning rate	0.0001 , 0.0002, 0.0005
Optimizer	Adam
Loss function	BCE , Wasserstein
Batch size	32, 64, 128
Epochs	50, 100 , 150
Kernel size (convolution)	4×4 , 5×5

Loss plot



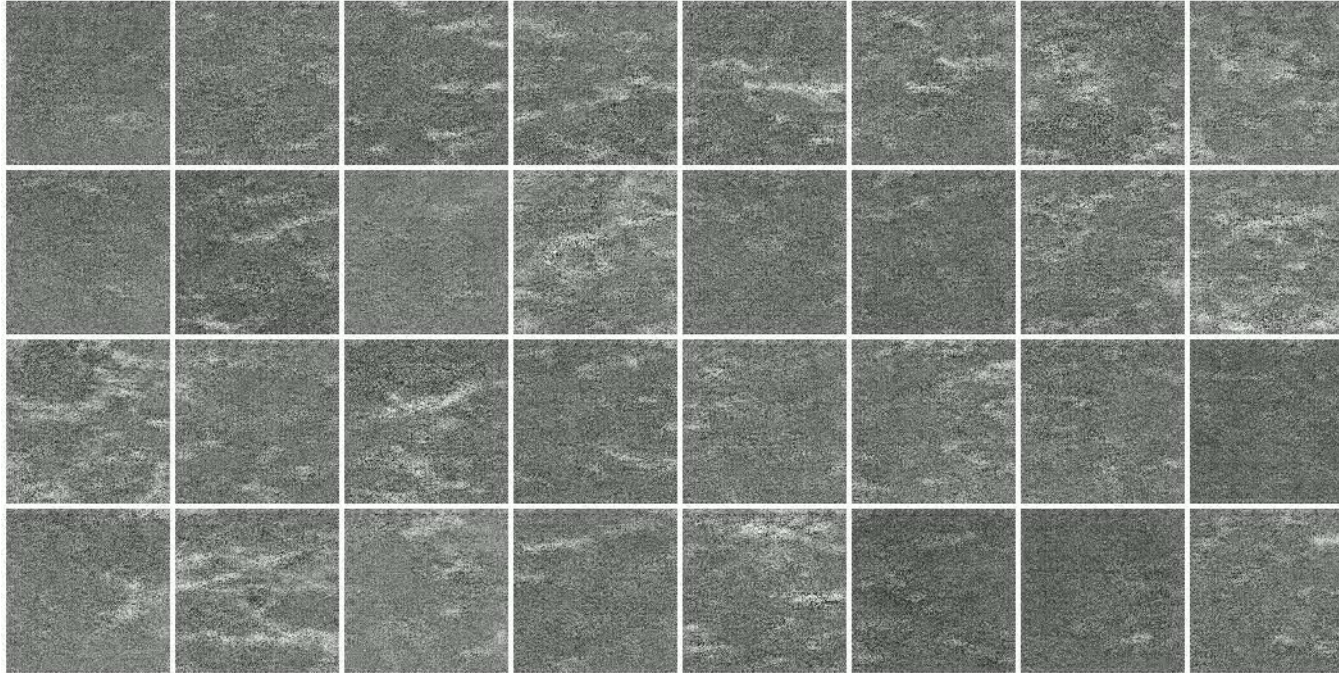
Generated images GAN

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Generated images DCGAN

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Frêchet Inception Distance (FID)

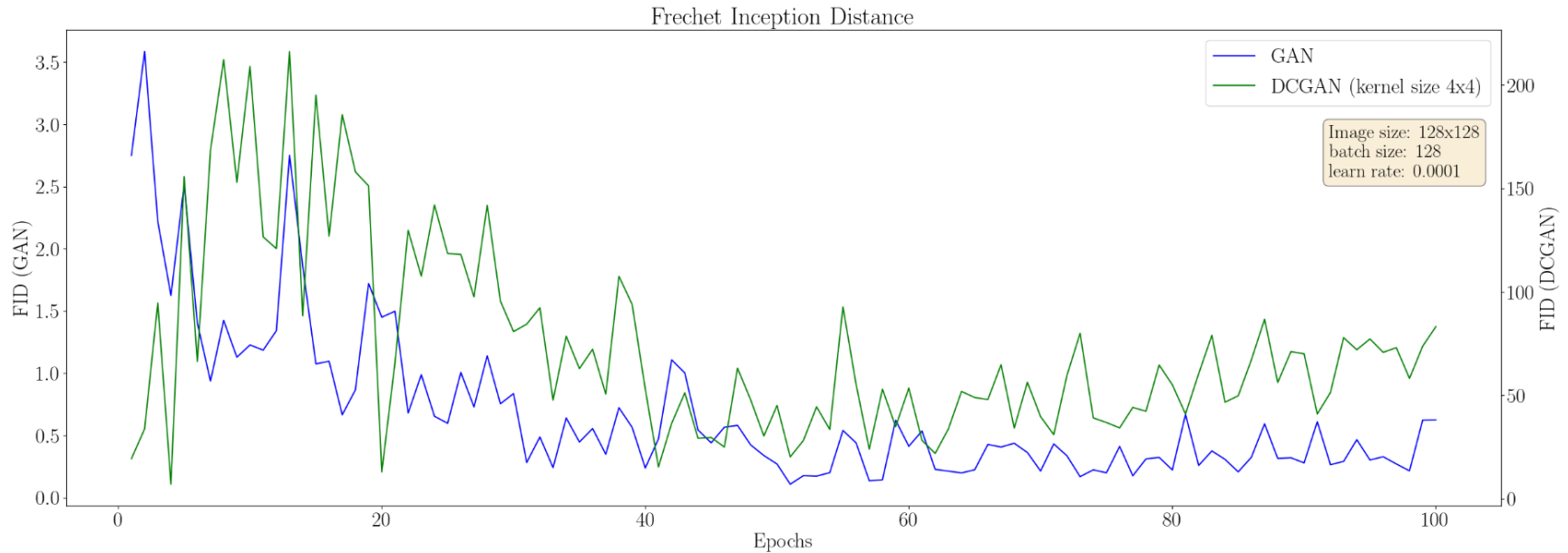
$$d(X, Y) = (\mu_X - \mu_Y)^2 + (\sigma_X - \sigma_Y)^2 \quad \text{“univariate”}$$

$$\text{FID} = \|\mu_X - \mu_Y\|^2 - \text{Tr}(\Sigma_X + \Sigma_Y - 2\sqrt{\Sigma_X \Sigma_Y}) \quad \text{“multivariate”}$$

X, Y : Real and fake embeddings (activation from Inception model)

μ_X and μ_Y : Magnitudes of vector X and Y

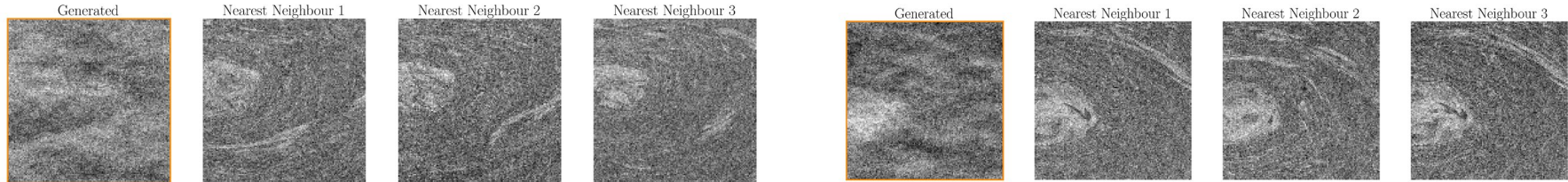
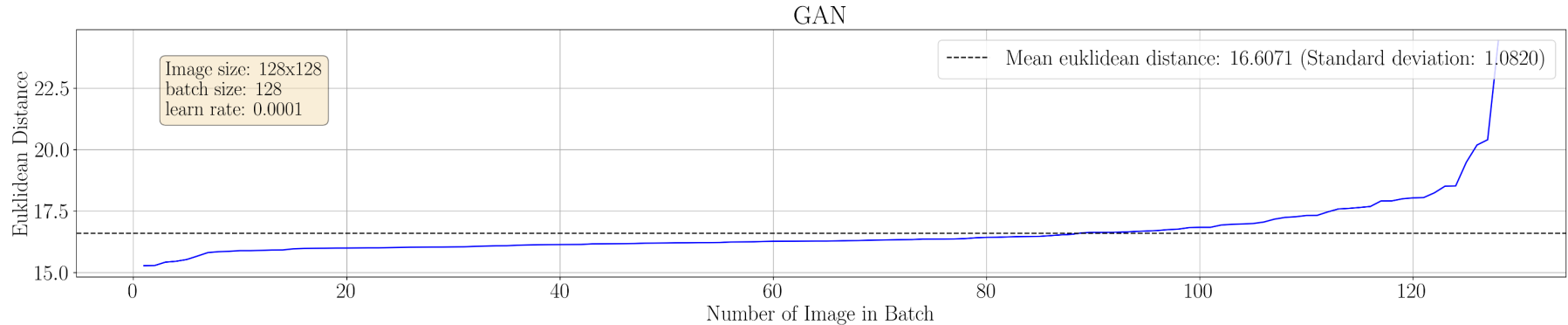
Σ_X, Σ_Y : Covariance matrix of the vectors



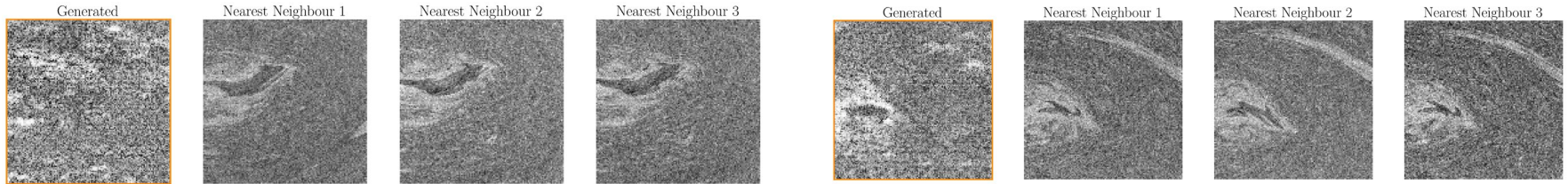
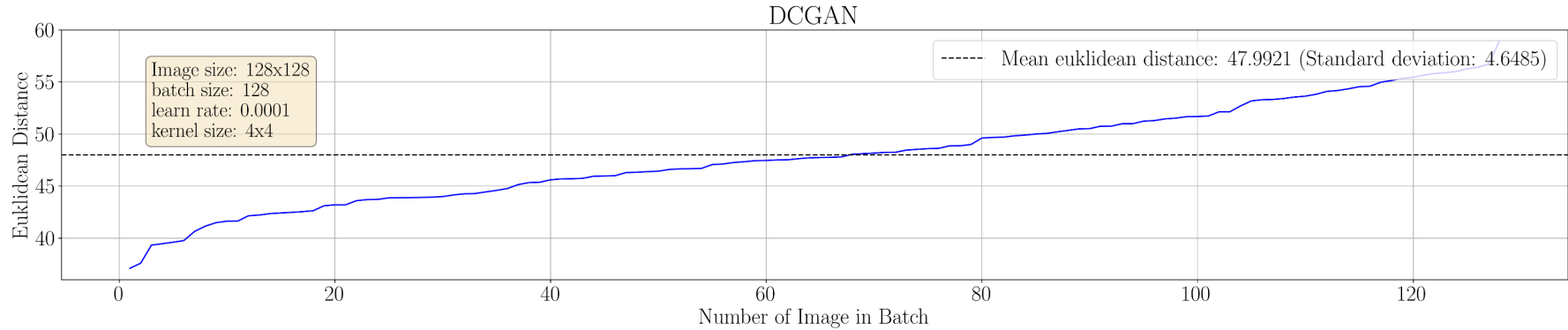
Nearest neighbor GAN

■ Based on Eukclidean distance (ED):

$$d(p, q) = \sqrt{(q_1 - p_1)^2 + (q_2 - p_2)^2}$$



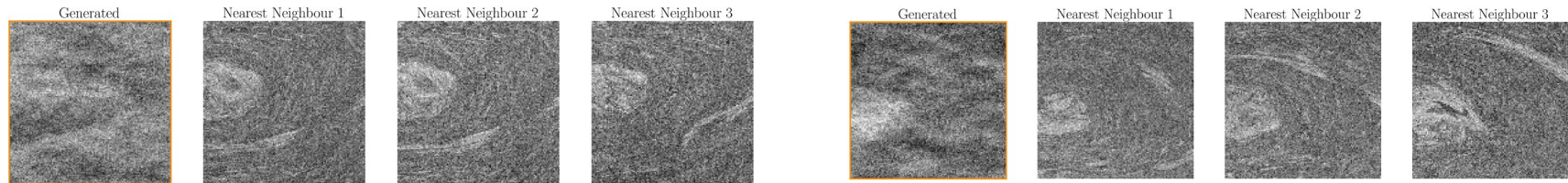
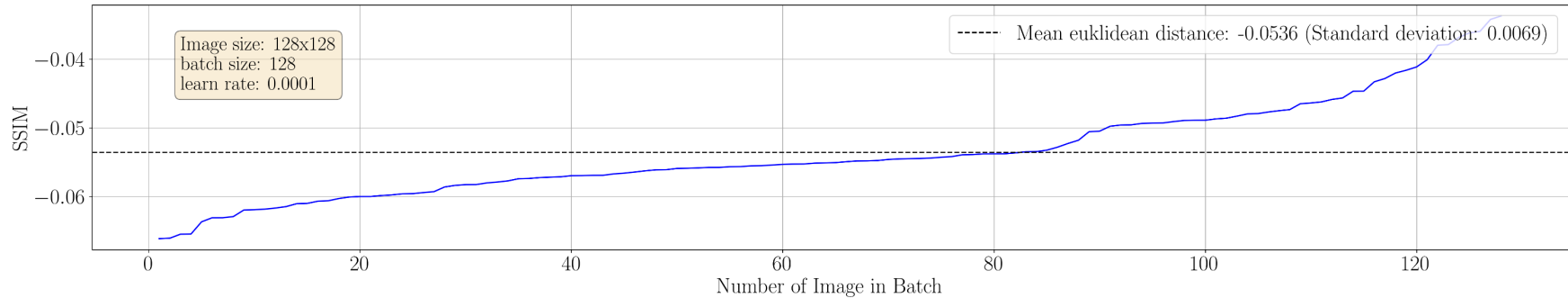
Nearest neighbor DCGAN



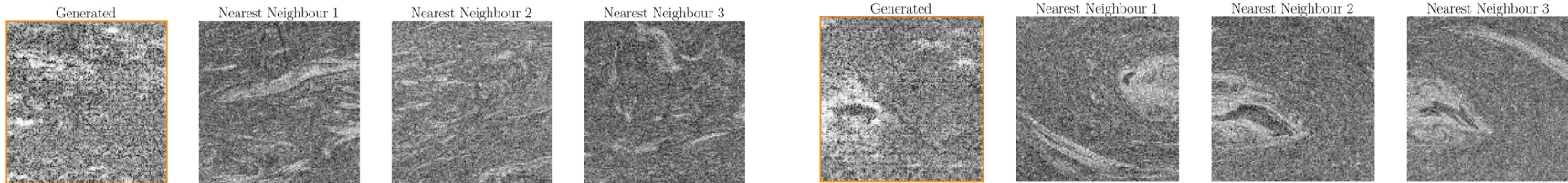
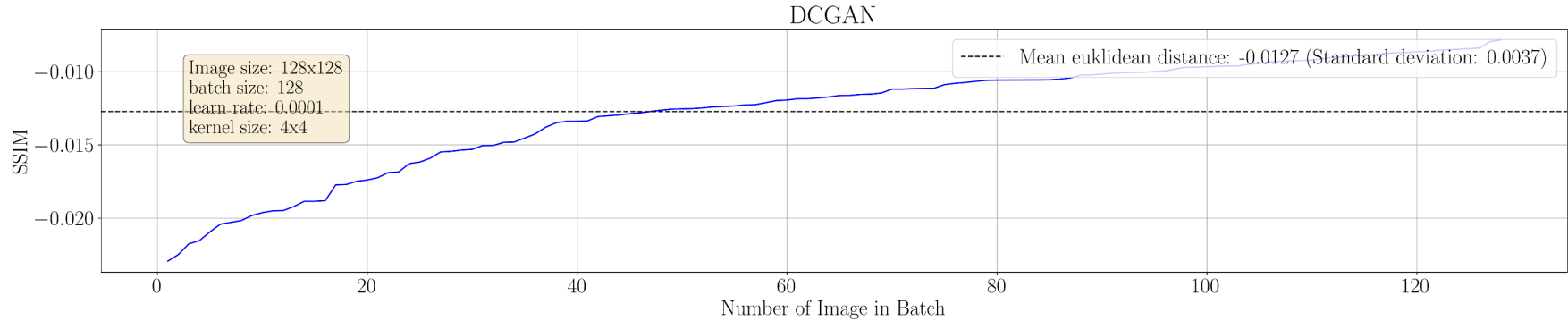
SSIM GAN

$$SSIM(x, y) = \frac{(2\mu_x\mu_y + c_1)(2\sigma_{xy} + c_2)}{(\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2 + c_1)(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + c_2)}$$

GAN



SSIM DCGAN



Discussion

- **DCGAN** reproduces **noise** more strongly
- **GAN** produces images very **close to training** data (structurally)
- Normal GAN: nearest neighbors determined with ED hardly differ from those determined with SSIM
- DCGAN: for images deviating more strongly from training data, more plausible nearest neighbors are found with SSIM (however, some results still out of line)
- SSIM value could become interesting again, especially at higher resolutions

- Median filter for input data
- Higher resolution of input data
- More input data
- Texture quantification (Haralick entropy, etc.)
- Adaption of network for Wasserstein loss (e.g. RMS prop as optimizer)
- Binarization of input data?
- Super resolution network in front of GAN?

Thanks for your attention!



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