# Deep Generative Models

Lecture 13

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#### Neural ODE

## Adjoint functions

$$\mathbf{a_z}(t) = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}; \quad \mathbf{a_{\theta}}(t) = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \theta(t)}.$$

## Theorem (Pontryagin)

$$\frac{d\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^{\mathsf{T}} \cdot \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}}; \quad \frac{d\mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^{\mathsf{T}} \cdot \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}.$$

Do we know any initilal condition?

### Solution for adjoint function

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t_0)} = \mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t_0) = -\int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)} dt + 0$$
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_0)} = \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t_0) = -\int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_1)}$$

Note: These equations are solved back in time.

#### Neural ODE

# Forward pass

$$\mathbf{z}(t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\mathbf{z}(t), oldsymbol{ heta}) dt + \mathbf{z}_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathsf{ODE} \; \mathsf{Solver}$$

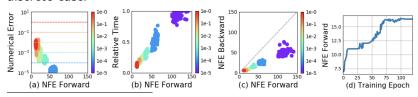
# Backward pass

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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta(t_0)} = \mathbf{a}_{\theta}(t_0) = -\int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \theta)}{\partial \theta(t)} dt + 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_0)} = \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t_0) = -\int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \theta)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_1)}$$

$$\mathbf{z}(t_0) = -\int_{t_1}^{t_0} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \theta) dt + \mathbf{z}_1.$$

**Note:** These scary formulas are the standard backprop in the discrete case.



Chen R. T. Q. et al. Neural Ordinary Differential Equations, 2018

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# Continuous Normalizing Flows

Discrete Normalizing Flows

$$\mathbf{z}_{t+1} = f(\mathbf{z}_t, \boldsymbol{\theta}); \quad \log p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1}) = \log p(\mathbf{z}_t) - \log \left| \det \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}_t, \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}_t} \right|.$$

Continuous-in-time dynamic transformation

$$\frac{d\mathbf{z}(t)}{dt} = f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Assume that function f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in  $\mathbf{z}$  and continuous in t. From Picard's existence theorem, it follows that the above ODE has a **unique solution**.

Forward and inverse transforms

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(t_1) = \mathbf{z}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) dt$$
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Papamakarios G. et al. Normalizing flows for probabilistic modeling and inference, 2019

# Continuous Normalizing Flows

To train this flow we have to get the way to calculate the density  $p(\mathbf{z}(t))$ .

# Theorem (special case of Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck)

if function f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in  ${\bf z}$  and continuous in  ${\bf t}$ , then

$$\frac{d \log p(\mathbf{z}(t))}{dt} = -\operatorname{trace}\left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}\right).$$

**Note:** Unlike discrete-in-time flows, the function f does not need to be bijective, because uniqueness guarantees that the entire transformation is automatically bijective.

### Density evaluation

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log p(\mathbf{z}) - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \operatorname{trace}\left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}\right) dt.$$

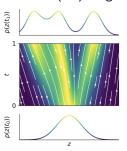
Adjoint method is used to integral evaluation.

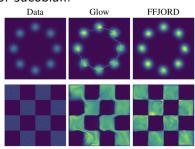
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Forward transform + log-density

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \log p(\mathbf{z}) \end{bmatrix} + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \begin{bmatrix} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ -\text{trace}\left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}\right) \end{bmatrix} dt.$$

- ▶ Discrete-in-time normalizing flows need invertible f. It costs  $O(d^3)$  to get determinant of Jacobian.
- ► Continuous-in-time flows require only smoothness of f. It costs  $O(d^2)$  to get trace of Jacobian.





Grathwohl W. et al. FFJORD: Free-form Continuous Dynamics for Scalable Reversible Generative Models. 2018

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Let define stochastic process  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  with initial condition  $b\mathbf{x}(0) \sim p_0(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

 $\mathbf{w}(t)$  is the standard Wiener process (Brownian motion)

$$\mathbf{w}(t) - \mathbf{w}(s) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, t - s), \quad d\mathbf{w} = \epsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}, \text{ where } \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

- **f**( $\mathbf{x}$ , t) is the **drift** function of  $\mathbf{x}$ (t).
- ▶ g(t) is the **diffusion** coefficient of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ .
- ▶ If g(t) = 0 we get standard ODE.

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

How to get distribution  $p(\mathbf{x}|t)$  for  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ?

Theorem (Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck)

Evolution of the distribution  $p(\mathbf{x}|t)$  is given by the following ODE:

$$\frac{\partial p(\mathbf{x}|t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)p(\mathbf{x})) + \frac{1}{2}g^2(t) \frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}|t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2}$$

#### Langevin SDE

Let consider special case of SDE with g(t)=1 and  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)=\frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p(\mathbf{x}|t)$ .

$$d\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}|t) dt + d\mathbf{w}$$

Let apply KFP theorem.

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial p(\mathbf{x}|t)}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left( p(\mathbf{x}|t) \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}|t) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}|t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} = \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}|t) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}|t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} = 0 \end{split}$$

The density is  $p(\mathbf{x}|t) = \text{const.}$ 

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$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \mathbf{x}_t + \eta \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}|t) + \sqrt{\eta} \cdot \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}0, 1.$$

# Summary

Adjoint method generalizes backpropagation procedure and allows to train Neural ODE solving ODE for adjoint function back in time.

► Fokker-Planck theorem allows to construct continuous-in-time normalizing flow with less functional restrictions.

FFJORD model makes such kind of flows scalable.