#### Diffusion model

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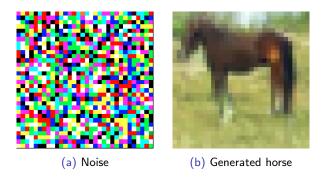
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#### Data from noise?



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Figure: Iterative denoising process

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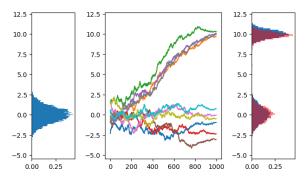


Figure: Pushing data towards high-density regions<sup>1</sup>

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 Reverse process: pushing data towards high-density regions using estimated noise level-dependent score functions

$$\nabla_x \log p(x; \sigma(t)), \quad \sigma(t_i) = \sigma_i$$

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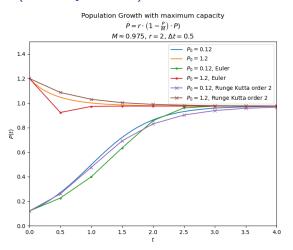


Figure: Euler and Heun (actually RGK2) on an toy example. Heun uses the average of two slopes: current and next.

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Need for dense prediction ⇒ U-Net architecture

# Original U-Net for dense prediction [3]

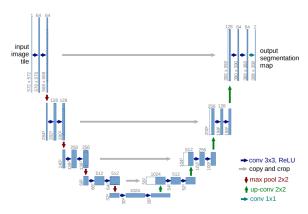


Figure: Original U-Net architecture taken from their paper [3]

Except if otherwise mentionned, our models are U-Net's with self-attention mechanisms (mostly in low resolution layers) and conditional batch-norm. Down: avg pool, Up: nearest-interp. &  $3\times3$  conv.

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- CFG sampling is done by using a weighted sum of the unconditional and conditional score functions.

# Results

# Fréchet Inception Distance (FID). FashionMNIST

Class-conditional FID, cfg.scale 1					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	9.1676	10.5069	10.2580		
w/o self-attention	13.9130	15.0970	14.7425		
Unconditional FID					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	19.1392	20.1931	19.5964		

# Fréchet Inception Distance (FID). CIFAR-10

Class-conditional FID, cfg.scale 2.5					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	20.4102	22.4736	22.5495		
w/o self-attention	22.7896	24.7956	24.3233		
Unconditional FID					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	28.5462	30.6864	30.6589		

# Fréchet Inception Distance (FID). CelebA

Unconditional "tiny" model (30-35M params.)					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	22.0655	23.1863	21.8915		
w/o self-attention	26.6725	27.6983	26.3588		
Unconditional "small" model (80M params.)					
	Train*	Val*	Test		
w/ self-attention	17.8853	18.9739	18.2885		

#### Notes:

- w/ self-attention: not at each resolution level like FashionMNIST and CIFAR-10.
- Unconditional FID of the "big" model (81 M parameters) is not reported here.

#### Results with self-attention



Figure: FashionMNIST cfg.scale=1, 100 epochs, 50 Euler method steps

# Results with self-attention



Figure: CIFAR-10 cfg.scale=2.5, 200 epochs, 50 Euler method steps

# Results CelebA tiny



Figure: CelebA 35M parameters, 125 epochs, 50 stochastic Heun method steps

#### Other results

- https://github.com/Zenchiyu/diffusion
- https://github.com/Zenchiyu/diffusion/results

# Demo

# The End

# A few design choices from the EDM paper [1]

#### Sampling

- ▶ Schedule  $\sigma(t) = t$  and scaling s(t) = 1 to make "flow lines" more straight.
- ► More (time-)steps² when less noise, i.e. regions where Euler method would suffer

$$\left(\sigma_{\max}^{1/\rho} + \frac{i}{\mathit{N}-1} \left(\sigma_{\min}^{1/\rho} - \sigma_{\max}^{1/\rho}\right)\right)^{\rho}$$

#### Training

- Specific noise distribution (log-normal) to focus training effort on some noise levels.
- Network preconditioning
  - ▶ Ensure that the network is never asked to perform a trivial task
  - Control the magnitude that would immensely vary depending on noise level
  - Predict the noise or predict the image?
  - Re-scaling the input?





## Output of the denoiser

• Slope directly points to the output of the denoiser for  $\sigma(t) = t$ , s(t) = 1.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -t\nabla_x \log p(x; \sigma(t))$$

$$slope = -\frac{D_\theta(x; \sigma) - x}{t}$$

$$D_\theta(x; \sigma) = x - t \cdot slope$$
(2)

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