

Wrap Up



Takeaways?

- What takeaways do you have from today?

Best Practices: Model Choices

- Be intentional about the choice between Open and Closed models and the tradeoffs
 - Closed models are easy to use, but we cannot know exactly what is taking place behind the API
 - Open source models are easier to control, though we still may not know exactly how they were trained
- If you are using models trained by other people:
 - Understand as much as you can about how their LLM was trained, what sort of data was used, and how it was finetuned
- Consider using a small language model – you may not need a large model for your task
- Consider using a quantised model, for energy efficiency
- Consider using non-AI techniques
- Check the licenses of data, models & code that you use

Best Practices: Experimentation

- Build a baseline model using the simplest techniques you can
- Ensure reproducibility of your experiments where possible
 - Use temperature parameter to control randomness
 - Use an open source model
- Use the University's computing facilities – HPC & Dawn GPUs – when you need computing power
- Use Data Sheets and Model Cards for documentation

Best Practices: Evaluation

- Carefully specify the task you want your model to perform
- Create a test dataset which you can use to evaluate the performance of any AI model
 - Ensure that your test dataset is separate from any training data
- Consider data leakage and how your test data might already be in the model's training data
- Understand the limitations and common issues with LLMs, e.g.
 - Bias
 - Hallucination
- Understand the metrics you're computing and what they can tell you

Other Accelerate Material

Get started



large-language-models

Get an introduction to how large language models work, and how to get up and running quickly.

● Jupyter Notebook ☆ 12 🍷 7



packaging-publishing

Learn how to package and publish your scientific research software using GitHub Actions.

● Jupyter Notebook ☆ 10 🍷 4



data-school-Autumn23

An introduction on how to build effective data pipelines for machine learning projects.

● Jupyter Notebook ☆ 4



diffusion-models

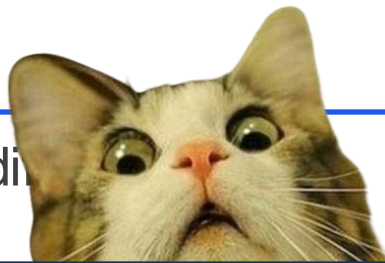
An introduction to diffusion models and how to apply them in a practical way

● Jupyter Notebook ☆ 5 🍷 1

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Diffusion Models

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Algorithm 1 Training

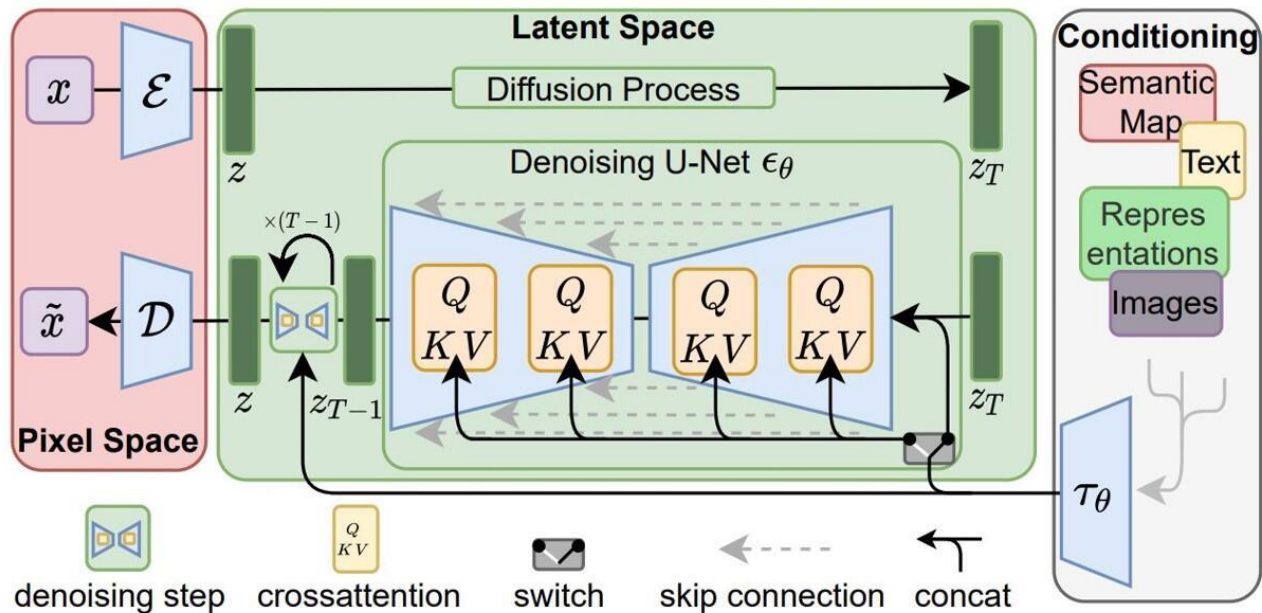
- 1: **repeat**
- 2: $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
- 3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
- 4: $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
- 5: Take gradient descent step on
$$\nabla_{\theta} \left\| \epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \epsilon, t) \right\|^2$$
- 6: **until** converged

Algorithm 2 Sampling

- 1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
- 2: **for** $t = T, \dots, 1$ **do**
- 3: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ if $t > 1$, else $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$
- 4: $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
- 5: **end for**
- 6: **return** \mathbf{x}_0

Diffusion Models

Perhaps this makes more sense... maybe not...



Upcoming events and workshops

Teaching workshops

Monday 14 October	Hands on LLM workshop
Wednesday 6 November	An Introduction to Diffusion Models in Generative AI
Monday 18 November	Publishing and Packaging Python Code for Research
Monday 2 December	An Introduction to Docker
Wednesday 4 December	Hands on AI workshop

AI Cafés

Wednesday 23 October – West Hub
Monday 11 November – St Edmund's College

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