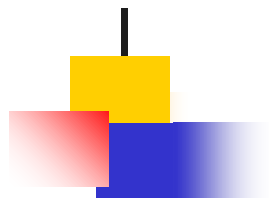


# Fundamentals of Machine Learning

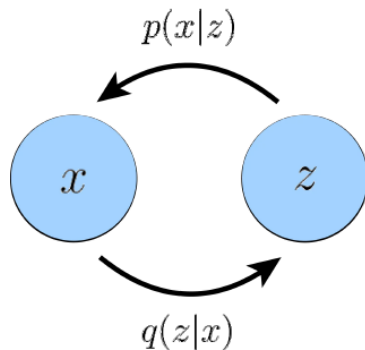
## DIFFUSION MODELS

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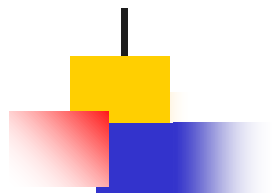


# Standard VAE



$$\ln p(\mathbf{x}) \geq \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})} [\ln p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z})]}_{\text{Reconstruction Error}} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})} [\ln q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}) - \ln p(\mathbf{z})]}_{\text{KL Divergence}}$$

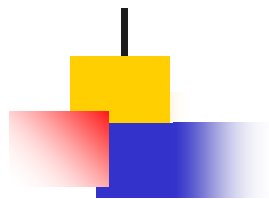
**Objective:** 
$$\arg \max_{\phi, \theta} \mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})} [\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z})] - \mathcal{D}_{\text{KL}}(q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}) || p(\mathbf{z}))$$



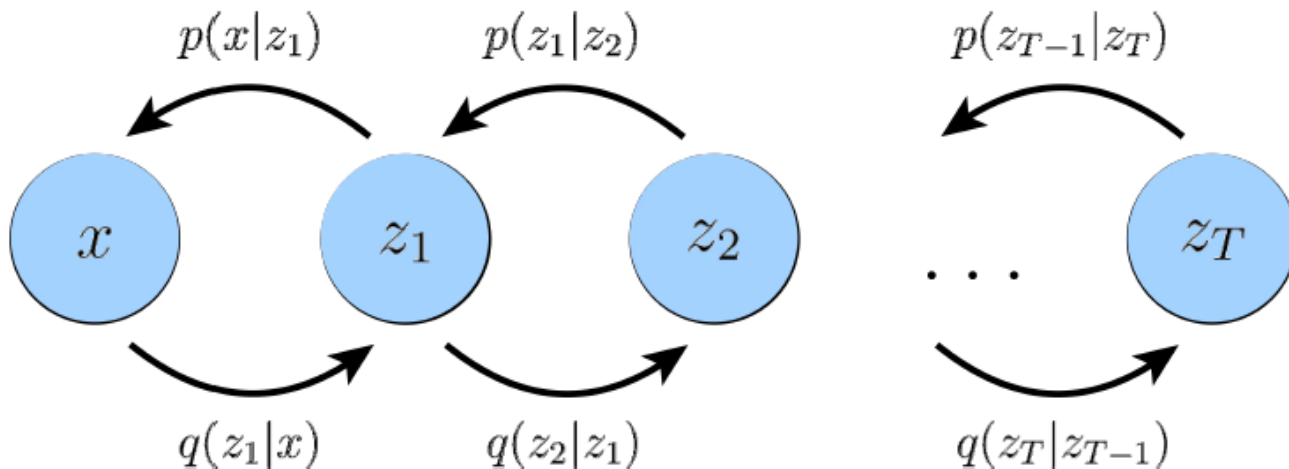
# Markov Chain

A discrete-time Markov chain  $\{X_n | n = 0, 1, \dots\}$  is a discrete-time, discrete-value random sequence such that given  $X_0, \dots, X_n$ , the next random variable  $X_{n+1}$  depends only on  $X_n$  through the transition probability

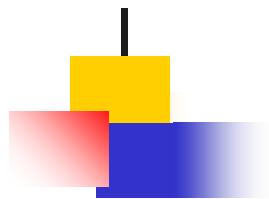
$$P[X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i, X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = i_0] = P[X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i] = P_{ij}.$$



# Hierarchical VAE



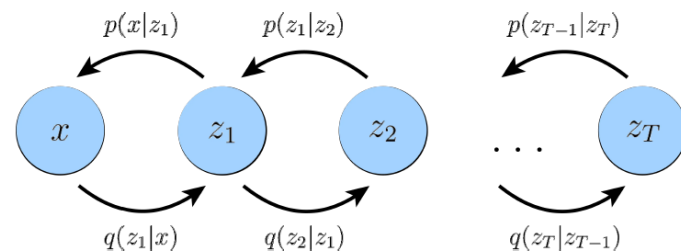
Markovian Hierarchical VAE: each  $z_t$  conditions only on the previous latent variable.



# Hierarchical VAE

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T}) = p(\mathbf{z}_T) p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z}_1) \prod_{t=2}^T p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} \mid \mathbf{x}) = q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}_1 \mid \mathbf{x}) \prod_{t=2}^T q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}_t \mid \mathbf{z}_{t-1})$$





# ELBO for MHVAE

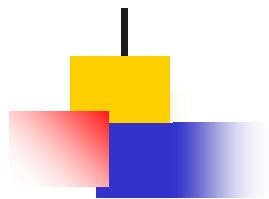
$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\mathbf{x}) &= \log \int p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T}) d\mathbf{z}_{1:T} \\ &= \log \int \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T}) q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{z}_{1:T} \\ &= \log \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \left[ \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \right] \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \left[ \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Plugging in from previous slide:

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \left[ \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_{1:T})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \right] = \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x})} \left[ \log \frac{p(\mathbf{z}_T) p_\theta(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}_1) \prod_{t=2}^T p_\theta(\mathbf{z}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_t)}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_1 | \mathbf{x}) \prod_{t=2}^T q_\phi(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1})} \right]$$

## ELBO for VAE

$$\begin{aligned}\ln p(\mathbf{x}) &= \ln \int p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z} \\ &= \ln \int \frac{q_\phi(\mathbf{z})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z} \\ &= \ln \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} \left[ \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} \right] \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} \ln \left[ \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})}{q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} [\ln p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) + \ln p(\mathbf{z}) - \ln q_\phi(\mathbf{z})] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} [\ln p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z})] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z})} [\ln q_\phi(\mathbf{z}) - \ln p(\mathbf{z})]\end{aligned}$$



# Variational Diffusion Models (VDMs)

Latent dimension is the same as data dimension: both data and latent variables as  $\mathbf{x}_t$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \mid \mathbf{x}_0) = \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

Structure of the latent encoder at each step is a linear Gaussian model

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha_t) \mathbf{I})$$

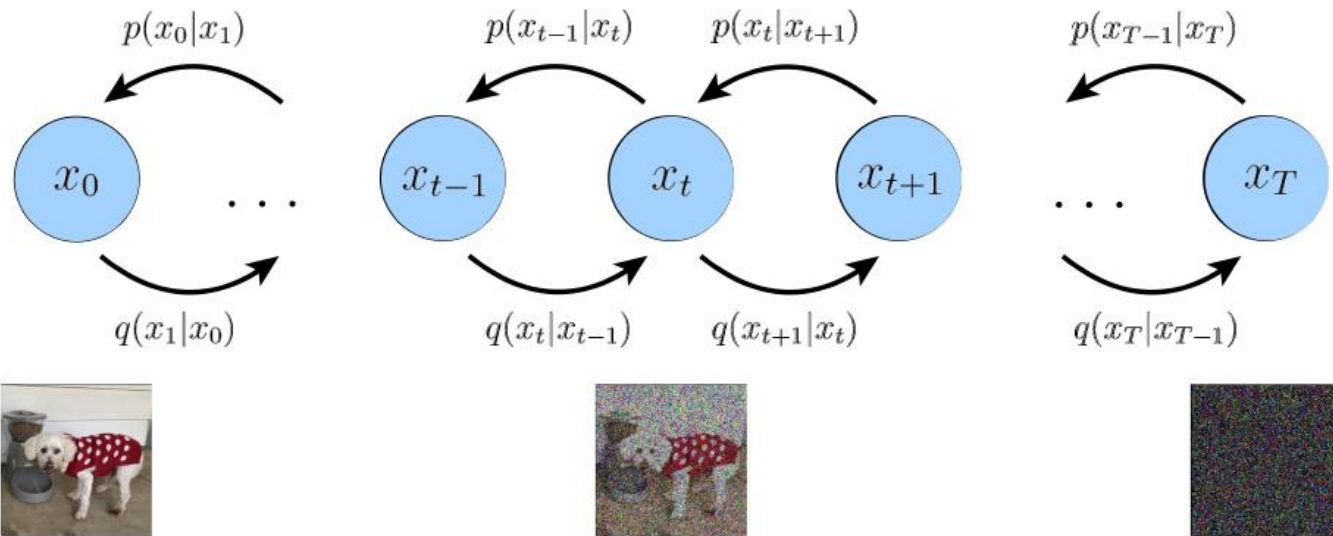
$\alpha_t$  evolves such that the latent at the final timestep is a standard Gaussian.

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) = p(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^T p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{x}_t)$$

where,

$$p(\mathbf{x}_T) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_T; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

# Variational Diffusion Models

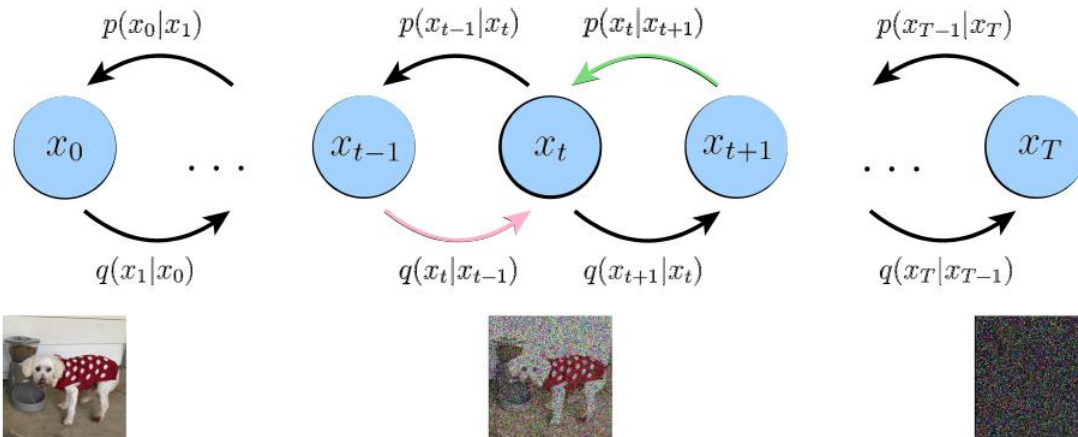


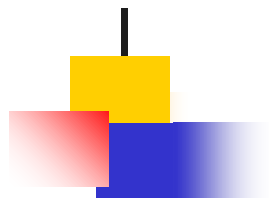
- Learn  $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{x}_t)$
- Sample Gaussian noise from  $p(\mathbf{x}_T)$  and denoise based on  $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{x}_t)$  for  $T$  steps



# ELBO for VDMs

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log p(\mathbf{x}) &\geq \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)} \right] \\
 &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)} [\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_1)]}_{\text{reconstruction term}} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{T-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)} [\mathcal{D}_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{x}_{T-1}) || p(\mathbf{x}_T))]}_{\text{prior matching term}} \\
 &\quad - \underbrace{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_{t+1}|\mathbf{x}_0)} [\mathcal{D}_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) || p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t+1}))]}_{\text{consistency term}}
 \end{aligned}$$





# VDM Distribution

$$\mathbf{x}_t \sim q(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \quad q(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha_t) \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \quad \text{with } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \quad \text{with } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

**Conditional Distribution:**

$$q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I}),$$

$$\text{where } \bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i.$$

# VDM Distribution - Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \\
 &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} (\sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2}) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \\
 &= \underbrace{\sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{\alpha_t} \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2}}_{\mathbf{w}_1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Sum of two Gaussians is a Gaussian

Mean is zero

Covariance:  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}_1 \mathbf{w}_1^T] = [(\sqrt{\alpha_t} \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}})^2 + (\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t})^2] \mathbf{I}$   
 $= [\alpha_t(1 - \alpha_{t-1}) + 1 - \alpha_t] \mathbf{I} = [1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}] \mathbf{I}$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1} \alpha_{t-2}} \mathbf{x}_{t-3} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1} \alpha_{t-2}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-3} \\
 &= \vdots \\
 &= \left( \sqrt{\prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i} \right) \mathbf{x}_0 + \left( \sqrt{1 - \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i} \right) \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Define  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$

Then:  $\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0.$



$\mathbf{x}_t \sim q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t | \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$