

# AI504: Programming for Artificial Intelligence

## Week 14: Deep Diffusion Probabilistic Model

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# Today's Topic

- Generative models recap
- Deep diffusion probabilistic model (DDPM)
- Deep diffusion implicit model (DDIM)
- Classifier-guided diffusion

# Generative Models Recap

# VAE

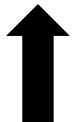
- Objective
  - Compress  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\mathbf{z}$  which follows  $P(\mathbf{Z} \mid \mathbf{X})$
  - Decompress  $\mathbf{z}$  to reconstruct  $\mathbf{x}$



Encoding (Compression)  
 $q_\theta(z \mid x_i)$

-1.2
3.1
0.2
-0.9

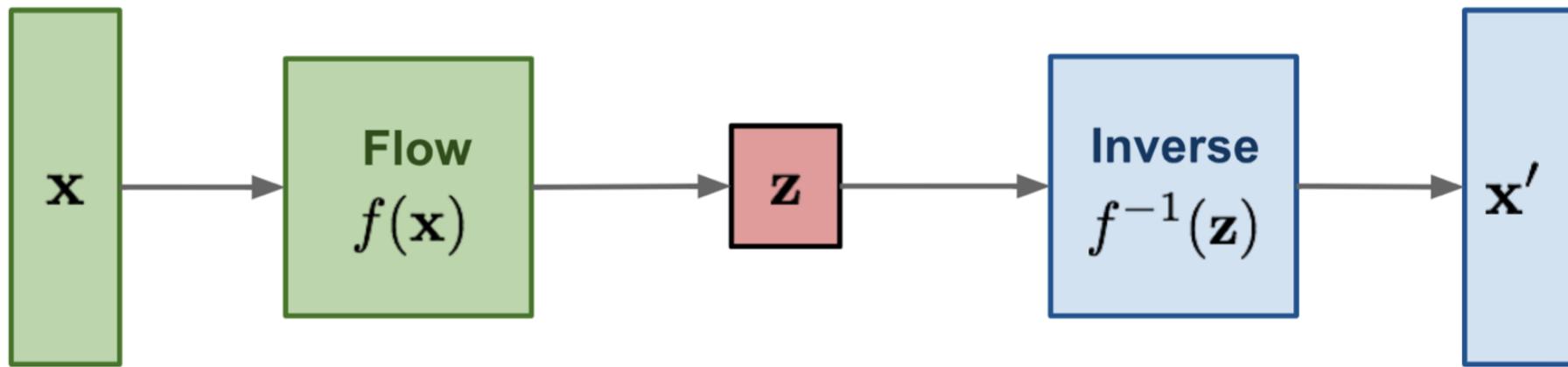
Decoding (Decompression)  
 $p_\phi(x_i \mid z)$



This follows the distribution  $P$  (e.g. Gaussian  $N(0, 1)$ )  
 $\text{KL}(q_\theta(z \mid x_i) \parallel p(z))$

# Flow-based Models

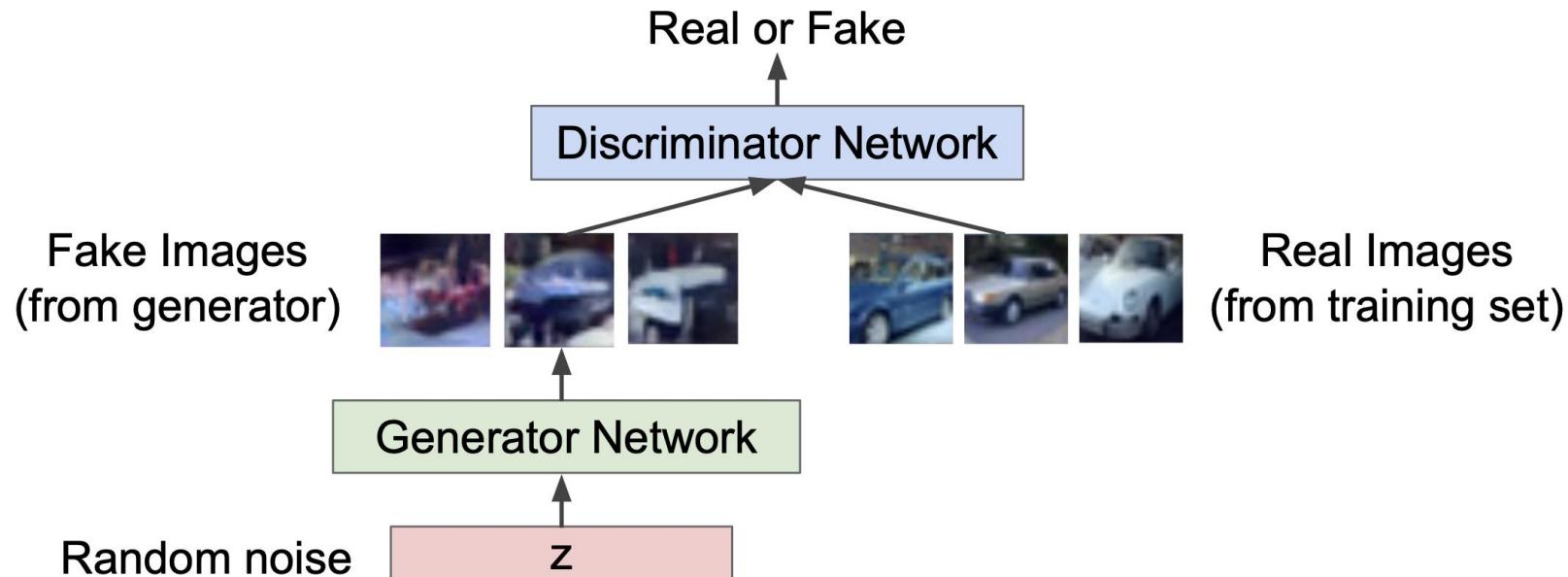
- Consistent mapping between  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$



- Overcomes the limitation of VAE
- Must use (a sequence of ) invertible functions only
- Can be trained via log-likelihood (no variational inference)

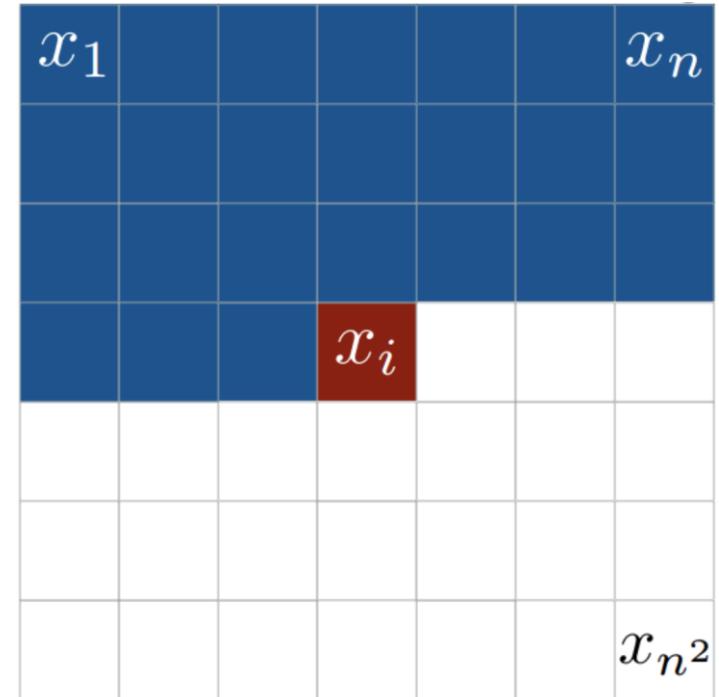
# Generative Adversarial Network

- Generator (G)
  - Tries to fool D with fake samples  $x'$
- Discriminator (D)
  - Tries to discriminate between real samples  $x$  and fake samples  $x'$



# Autoregressive Models

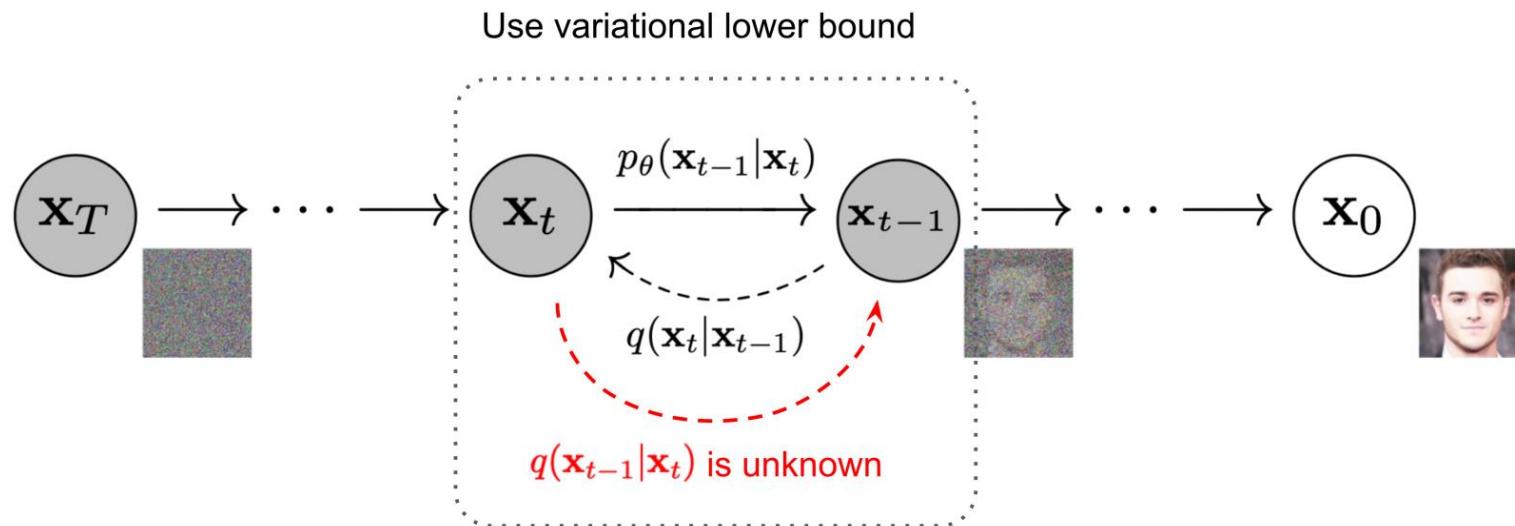
- Pixel-CNN
  - Generate images one pixel at a time.
- WaveNet
  - Generate audio one frame at a time
- GPT-3
  - Generate text one word at a time
- DALL-E 1
  - Generate one visual “code” at a time



PixelCNN generates one pixel at a time

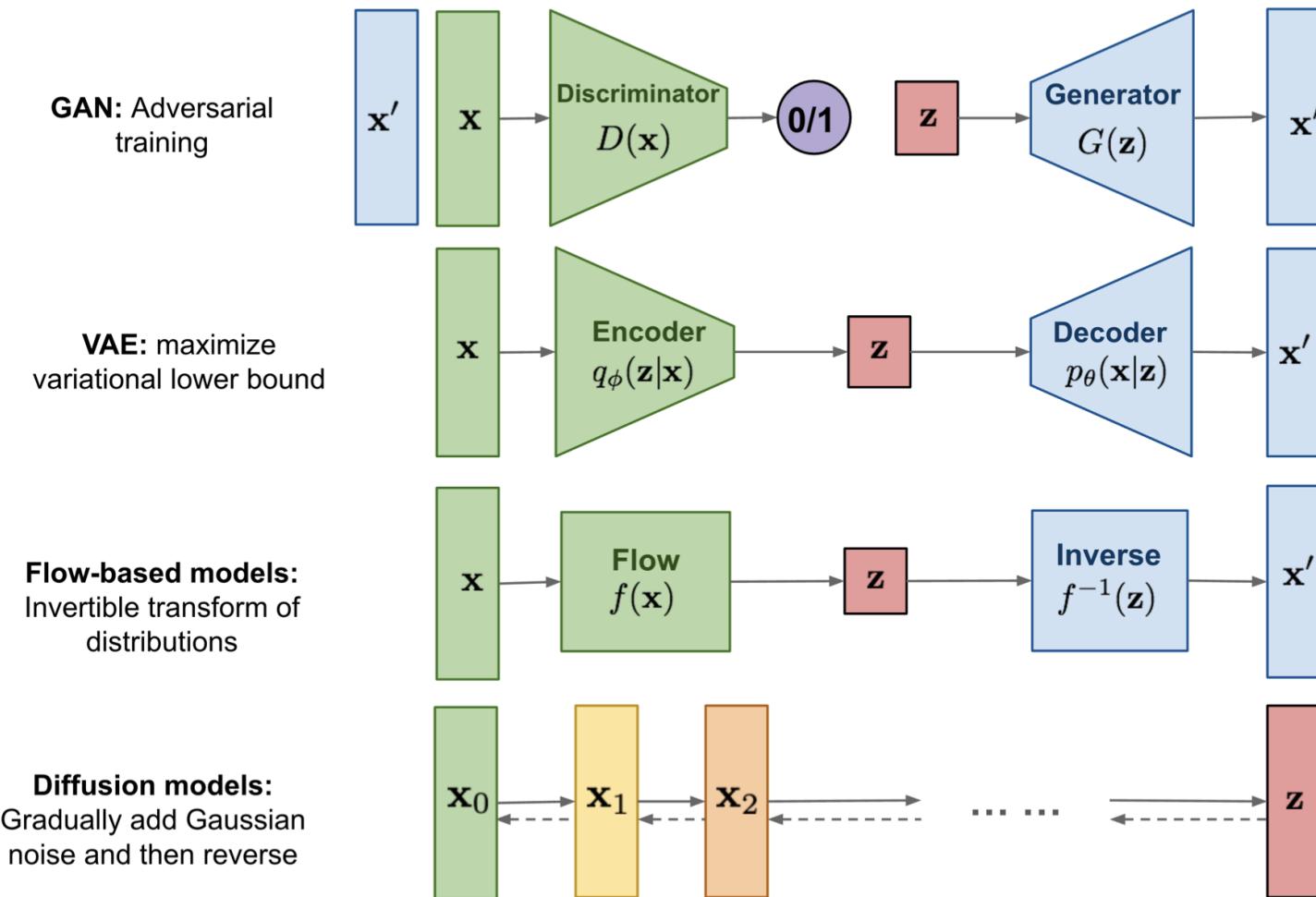
# Diffusion

- Gradually add/remove noise



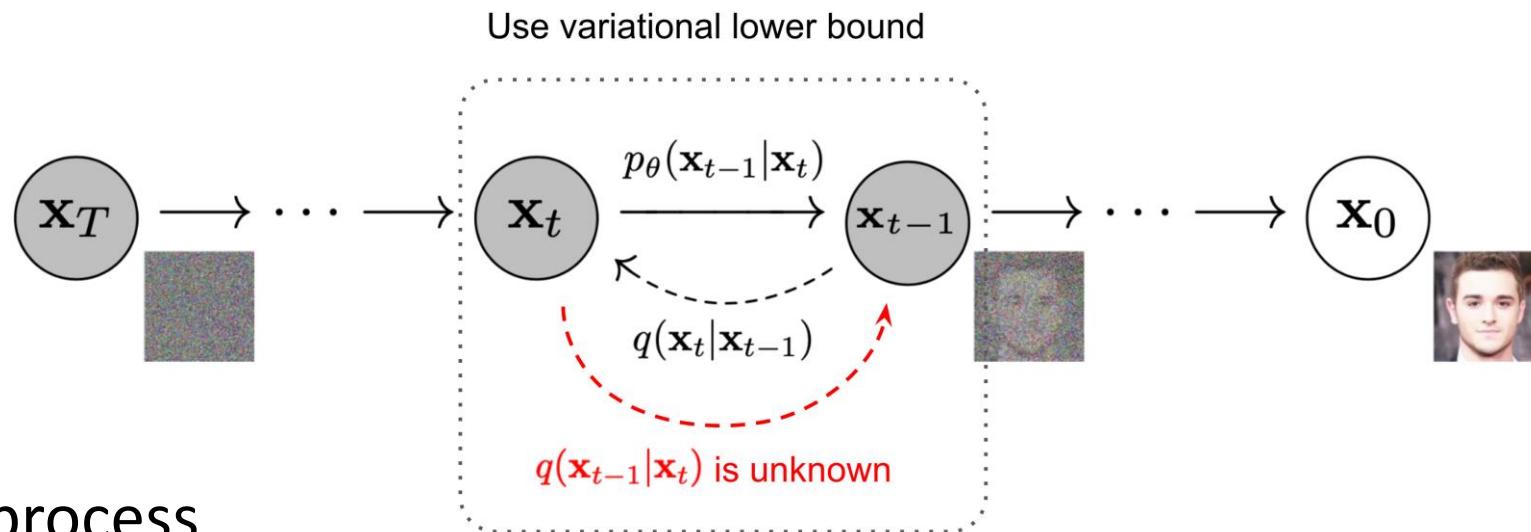
- Can be seen as a multi-step VAE
- Bayes rule, variational inference, reparameterization trick...

# Comparison Overview



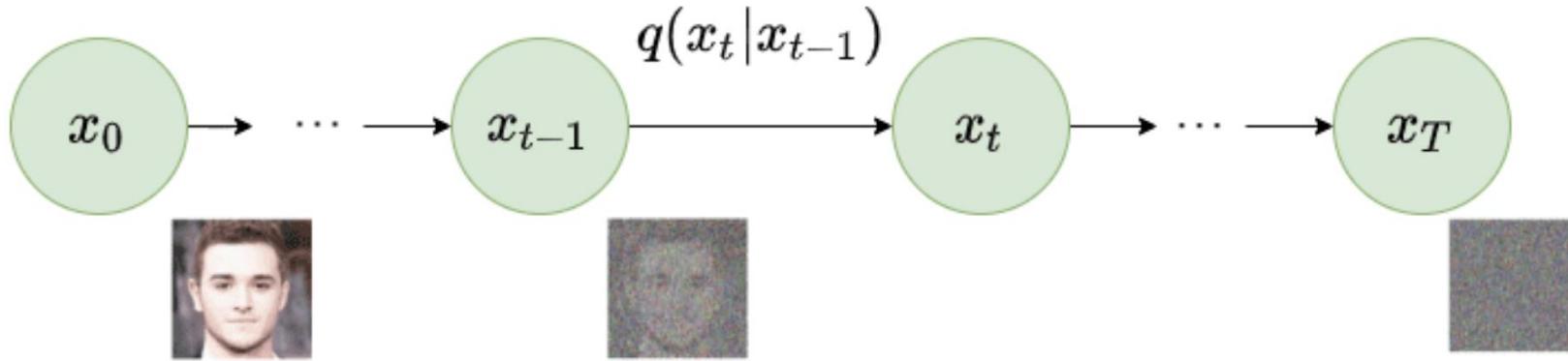
# DDPM

# Diffusion



- Forward process
  - Keep adding noise to the original data  $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim p_{data} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$  when  $T \rightarrow \infty$
- Reverse process
  - Remove noise from  $\mathbf{x}_T \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_0$
- Both processes are Markov chains
  - $\mathbf{x}_t$  is determined only by  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1}$

# Forward Process

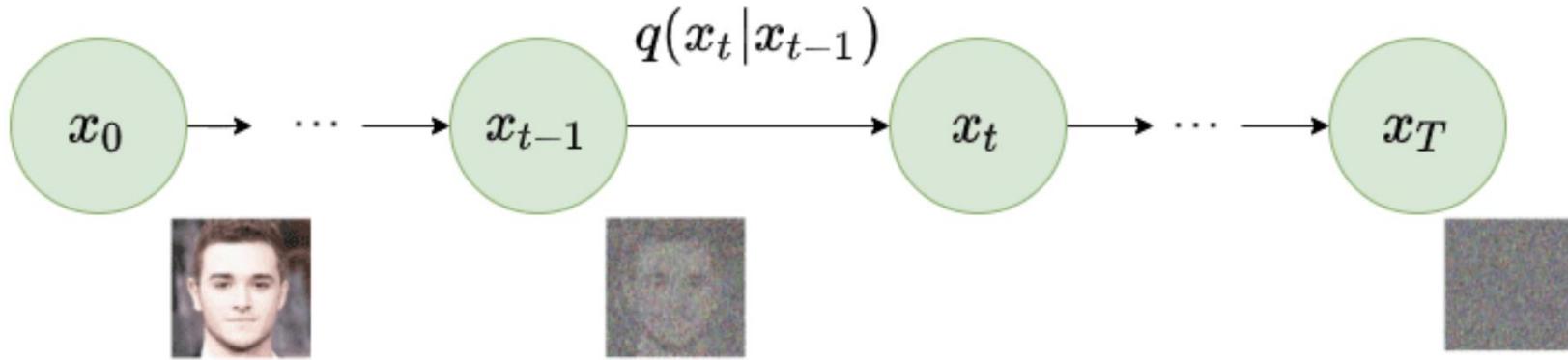


$q(\mathbf{x}_0)$ : real data distribution

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t\mathbf{I}) \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\beta_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

- Use conditional Gaussian distribution
- $\beta_t$ : variance schedule
  - Can be learned, or can be fixed
  - DDPM uses scheduled constants ( $0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < \dots < \beta_T < 1$ )

# Forward Process

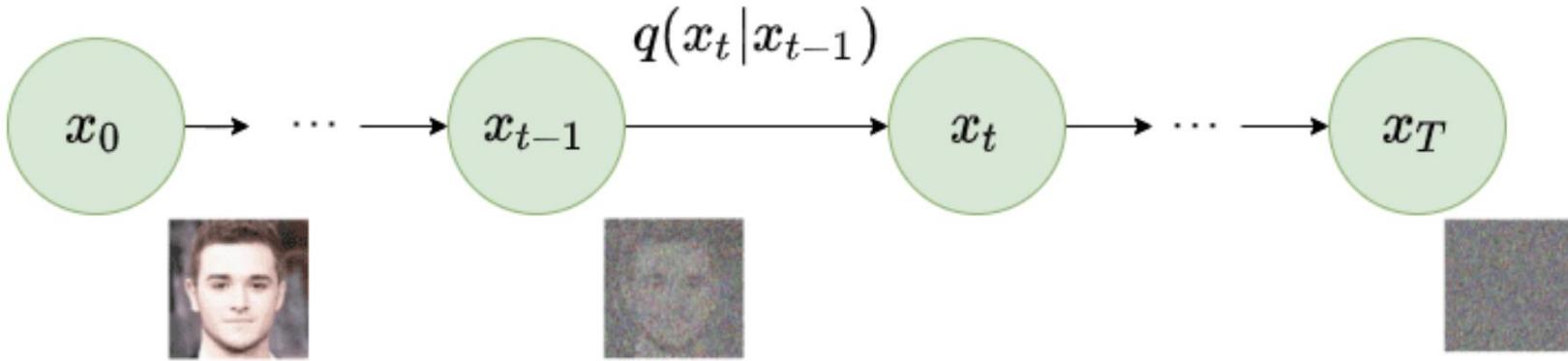


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Summary: We can convert any sample to  $\mathcal{N}(0, I)$  without learnable parameters by repeatedly adding small Gaussian noise

# Forward Process



$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I}) \quad \leftarrow \text{One-step probability distribution}$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) = \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Joint probability distribution}$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Creating } \mathbf{x}_t \text{ straight from } \mathbf{x}_0$$

where  $\alpha_t = 1 - \beta_t$  and  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$

As  $T \rightarrow \infty$ :  $\bar{\alpha}_t \rightarrow 0$  and  $q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, I)$

# Forward Process

- Creating  $\mathbf{x}_t$  straight from  $\mathbf{x}_0$ 
  - We don't have to repeatedly apply noise to get  $\mathbf{x}_t$ !
  - We will use this during training

Let  $\alpha_t = 1 - \beta_t$  and  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$

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

$$= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \left( \sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2} \right) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}$$

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$$= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{\alpha_t (1 - \alpha_{t-1})} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}$$

$$= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{t-2} \quad ; \text{where } \bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{t-2} \text{ merges two Gaussians (*).}$$

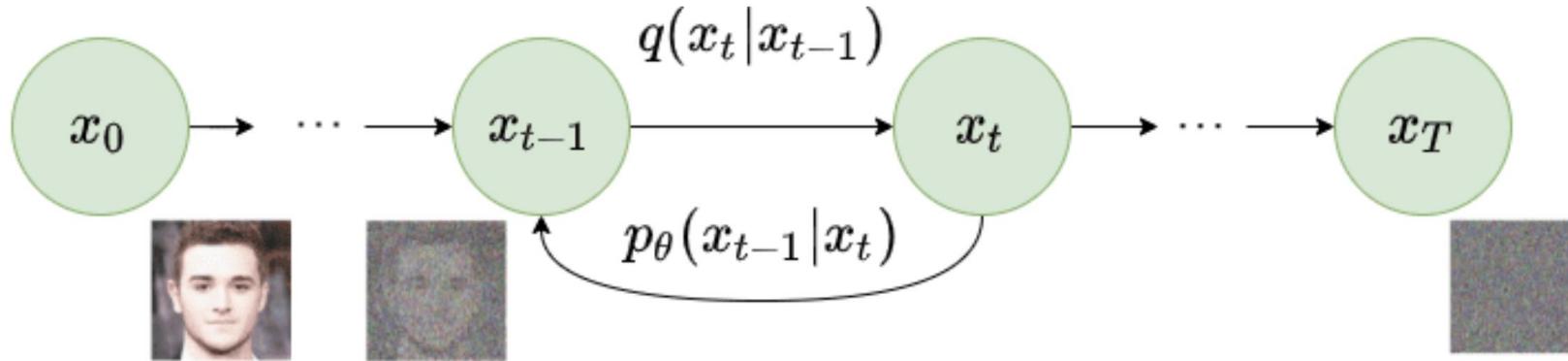
$= \dots$

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

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

(\*) Note that  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{I}) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{I}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) \mathbf{I})$   
 $\therefore \sqrt{(1 - \alpha_t) + \alpha_t (1 - \alpha_{t-1})} = \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}}$

# Reverse Process



- How do we “denoise” a noisy sample i.e.,  $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ ?
  - We don’t know the distribution of all images!
- We use a neural network to approximate

$$p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \mu_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \Sigma_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

Note:  $p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$  can be modeled as a Gaussian, because  $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$  is Gaussian when  $\beta_t$  is small enough

# Reverse Process

- If we can learn  $p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ :
  - We can sample from  $\mathcal{N}(0, I)$ , and “denoise” it to a real sample
  - But how do we train  $p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} L_{NLL} &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0) \\ &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \int p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) d\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \right) \\ &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \int q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) \frac{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} d\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \right) \\ &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \frac{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \right) \\ &\leq -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \log \frac{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \quad (\because \text{Jensen's inequality}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \right] = L_{VLB} \end{aligned}$$

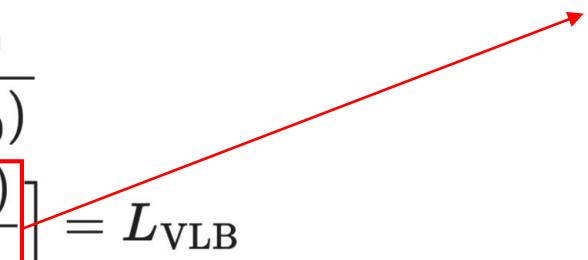
[Another way to derive variational lower bound](#)

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$\log \frac{\prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^T p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)}$



# Further break down of $L_{\text{VLB}}$ to reduce variance

$$L_{\text{VLB}} = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \right]$$

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Should be

$$p(\mathbf{x}_T) = \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=1}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t)} \right]$$

Separate treatment to avoid edge effect

$$= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t)} + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_1 | \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_1)} \right]$$

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This term can be written as a Gaussian distribution.  
We will revisit this later

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_0) = q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_0)}$$

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 \end{aligned}$$

Terms cancel each other out

# Looking at Each Term

$$L_{\text{VLB}} = L_T + L_{T-1} + \cdots + L_0$$

where  $L_T = D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{x}_0) \| p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T))$

$L_{t-1} = D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \| p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t))$  for  $2 \leq t \leq T$

$L_0 = -\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_1)$

$$L_T = D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{x}_0) \| p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T))$$

Fixed process,  
nothing to learn

This is actually just  $\mathcal{N}(0, I)$

Therefore we can ignore  $L_T$

# Looking at Each Term

$$L_{\text{VLB}} = L_T + L_{T-1} + \cdots + L_0$$

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This is the edge case.

Ho et al. models this with a separate decoder derived from  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_1, 1), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_1, 1))$

# Looking at Each Term

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This is a KL divergence between two Gaussian distributions

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_t \mathbf{I}) \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Why this form of Gaussian distribution?}$$

$$p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

# Modeling $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)$ as Gaussian Distribution

$$\begin{aligned}
q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_0) \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)} = q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)} \\
&\propto \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1})^2}{\beta_t} + \frac{(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0)^2}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} - \frac{(\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0)^2}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \right) \right) \\
&= \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_t^2 - 2\sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \alpha_t \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^2}{\beta_t} + \frac{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^2 - 2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \mathbf{x}_0^2}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} - \frac{(\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0)^2}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \right) \right) \\
&= \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^2 - \left( \frac{2\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + C(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Some function  
not involving  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1}$

Considering that Gaussian pdf:  $f(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \det(2\pi\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right)$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_t \mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) & \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_t &= 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) = 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t - \bar{\alpha}_t + \beta_t}{\beta_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\
&= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t && \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 && \text{From p.15} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} (\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \right)
\end{aligned}$$

# Looking at Each Term

$$L_{t-1} = D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) || p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t)) \text{ for } 2 \leq t \leq T$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \tilde{\beta}_t \mathbf{I}\right) = \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t\right), \frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \beta_t \mathbf{I}\right)$$

$$p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

Let us set  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\right)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}$ .

We have two options for  $\sigma_t^2$ :  $\sigma_t^2 = \beta_t$  and  $\sigma_t^2 = \frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \beta_t$ .

According to Ho et al. (2020), both had similar results experimentally.

$$*D_{KL}(p||q) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log \frac{|\Sigma_q|}{|\Sigma_p|} - k + (\boldsymbol{\mu}_p - \boldsymbol{\mu}_q)^T \Sigma_q^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\mu}_p - \boldsymbol{\mu}_q) + \text{tr} \left\{ \Sigma_q^{-1} \Sigma_p \right\} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_{t-1} &\propto \frac{1}{2\sigma_t^2} \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma_t^2} \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{\beta_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2 \alpha_t (1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2 \\ &= \frac{\beta_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2 \alpha_t (1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, t)\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

# Simpler Loss Function

- Ho et al. 2020 empirically found that a simplified loss function works better

$$L_t = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)^2}{2\alpha_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta\|_2^2} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, t)\|^2 \right]$$

Need to sum  $L_t$  over  $1 \leq t \leq T - 1$

But now instead uniform sampling



VS

$$\begin{aligned} L_t^{\text{simple}} &= \mathbb{E}_{t \sim [1, T], \mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t} \left[ \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{t \sim [1, T], \mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t} \left[ \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, t)\|^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

# Training & Sampling Algorithm

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## Algorithm 1 Training

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1: repeat
2:    $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$ 
3:    $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$ 
4:    $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ 
5:   Take gradient descent step on
        $\nabla_{\theta} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t)\|^2$ 
6: until converged
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\* Need to train separate decoder for  $L_0$

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## Algorithm 2 Sampling

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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:    $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$ 
5: end for
6: return  $\mathbf{x}_0$ 
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Let us set  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}$ .

# Generation Samples



Figure 14: Unconditional CIFAR10 progressive generation

# Generation Samples

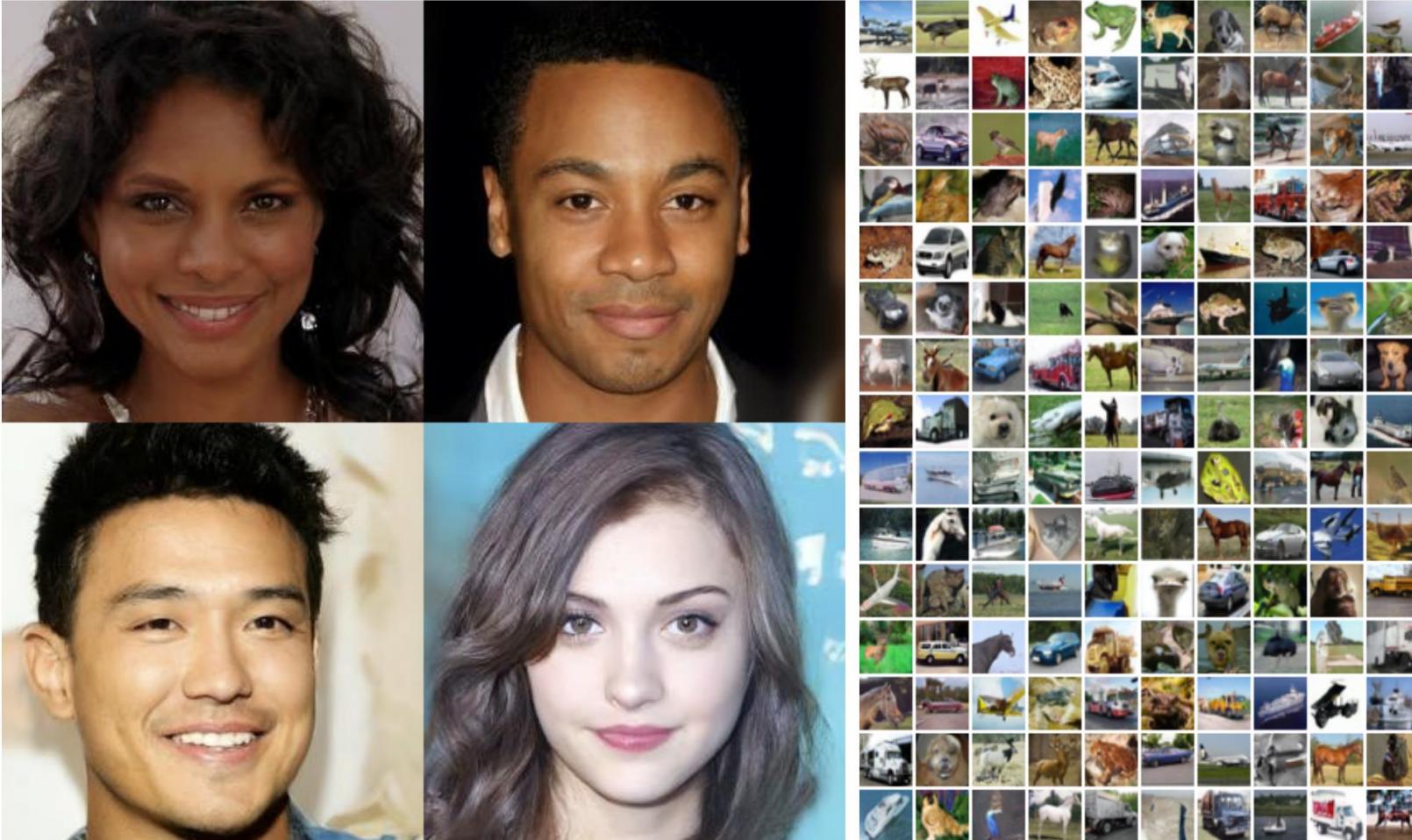


Figure 1: Generated samples on CelebA-HQ  $256 \times 256$  (left) and unconditional CIFAR10 (right)

# Quiz 1

- Which of the following is false?
  1. DDPM does not explicitly learn data distribution, unlike autoregressive models (e.g. PixelCNN)
  2. We can model the reverse process with Gaussian due to the Markovian assumption
  3. The input & output sizes of the epsilon function are the same
  4. The fact that we can create  $x_t$  from  $x_0$  allows efficient training
  5. In essence, DDPM learns to estimate the noise added between  $x_{t-1}$  and  $x_t$

# Improved DDPM

- Nichol et al. 2021
- Improved formulation & training than vanilla DDPM

Let us set  $\mu_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right)$  and  $\Sigma_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}$ .

We have two options for  $\sigma_t^2$ :  $\sigma_t^2 = \beta_t$  and  $\sigma_t^2 = \frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \beta_t$ .

Let's learn a diagonal covariance matrix instead!

- Covariance matrix as an interpolation between  $\beta_t$  and  $\tilde{\beta}_t$

$$\Sigma_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \exp(\mathbf{v} \log \beta_t + (1 - \mathbf{v}) \log \tilde{\beta}_t) \quad \text{where} \quad \tilde{\beta}_t = \frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t$$

$$L_{\text{hybrid}} = L_{\text{simple}} + \lambda L_{\text{VLB}} \text{ where } \lambda = 0.001$$

Model	ImageNet	CIFAR
Glow (Kingma & Dhariwal, 2018)	3.81	3.35
Flow++ (Ho et al., 2019)	3.69	3.08
PixelCNN (van den Oord et al., 2016c)	3.57	3.14
SPN (Menick & Kalchbrenner, 2018)	3.52	-
NVAE (Vahdat & Kautz, 2020)	-	2.91
Very Deep VAE (Child, 2020)	3.52	2.87
PixelSNAIL (Chen et al., 2018)	3.52	2.85
Image Transformer (Parmar et al., 2018)	3.48	2.90
Sparse Transformer (Child et al., 2019)	3.44	<b>2.80</b>
Routing Transformer (Roy et al., 2020)	<b>3.43</b>	-
DDPM (Ho et al., 2020)	3.77	3.70
DDPM (cont flow) (Song et al., 2020b)	-	2.99
Improved DDPM (ours)	<b>3.53</b>	<b>2.94</b>

# Generalized DDPM (DDIM)

# Generalized DDPM

- DDPM suffers from slow generation
  - Must go through thousands of steps to get high-quality samples

“For example, it takes around 20 hours to sample 50k images of size  $32 \times 32$  from a DDPM, but less than a minute to do so from a GAN on an Nvidia 2080 Ti GPU.”, (Song et al. 2020)
- What if we generalized DDPM to non-Markovian?
  - Turns out that we can use pretrained DDPM with two benefits
    1. We can perform deterministic sampling (DDIM)
    2. We can take multiple steps during sampling (accelerated sampling)

# Core Idea

- Non-Markovian forward process

$$q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) := q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_T|\mathbf{x}_0) \prod_{t=2}^T q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \quad \text{Note that from here on, } \alpha_t = \bar{\alpha}_t$$

where  $q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_T|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{\alpha_T}\mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \alpha_T)\mathbf{I})$  and for all  $t > 1$

$$q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}\left(\sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1} - \sigma_t^2} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}_0}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}}, \sigma_t^2\mathbf{I}\right)$$

This guarantees  $q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \alpha_t)\mathbf{I})$  (Same as DDPM in p.15)

- Reverse process

$$p_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}(f_\theta^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_1), \sigma_1^2\mathbf{I}) & \text{if } t = 1 \\ q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, f_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $f_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t) := (\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \cdot \epsilon_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)) / \sqrt{\alpha_t}$

# Properties of Generalized DDPM

- Training objective

$$\begin{aligned} J_\sigma(\epsilon_\theta) &:= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{0:T} \sim q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} [\log q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0) - \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{0:T} \sim q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{x}_0) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log q_\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \sum_{t=1}^T \log p_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t) - \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_T) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Happens to optimize the same loss as DDPM

**Theorem 1.** For all  $\sigma > 0$ , there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^T$  and  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $J_\sigma = L_\gamma + C$ .

$$L_\gamma(\epsilon_\theta) := \sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0), \epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})} \left[ \|\epsilon_\theta^{(t)} (\sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1-\alpha_t} \epsilon_t) - \epsilon_t\|_2^2 \right]$$

Therefore, no need to train new model.

→ Can use a pre-trained DDPM

# Sampling Process

- Sampling formula

$$\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \underbrace{\sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1-\alpha_t} \epsilon_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \right)}_{\text{"predicted } \mathbf{x}_0\text{"}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{1-\alpha_{t-1}-\sigma_t^2} \cdot \epsilon_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)}_{\text{"direction pointing to } \mathbf{x}_t\text{"}} + \underbrace{\sigma_t \epsilon_t}_{\text{random noise}}$$

- If we fix  $\sigma_t = \sqrt{\frac{(1-\alpha_{t-1})}{(1-\alpha_t)}} \sqrt{\frac{(1-\alpha_t)}{\alpha_{t-1}}}$  for all  $t$ , the forward process becomes Markovian. In other words, the generative process becomes DDPM.
- If we fix  $\sigma_t = 0$  for all  $t$ , the forward process becomes deterministic given  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_0$ . Since the resulting model becomes an implicit probabilistic model, this model is called **“denoising diffusion implicit model (DDIM)”**.

# Accelerated Sampling

$$\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \underbrace{\sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1-\alpha_t} \epsilon_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \right)}_{\text{“predicted } \mathbf{x}_0\text{”}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{1-\alpha_{t-1}-\sigma_t^2} \cdot \epsilon_\theta^{(t)}(\mathbf{x}_t)}_{\text{“direction pointing to } \mathbf{x}_t\text{”}} + \underbrace{\sigma_t \epsilon_t}_{\text{random noise}}$$

**Sampling process of  
Generalized DDPM**

$$\mathbf{x}_{\tau_{i-1}}(\eta) = \sqrt{\alpha_{\tau_{i-1}}} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_{\tau_i} - \sqrt{1-\alpha_{\tau_i}} \epsilon_\theta^{(\tau_i)}(\mathbf{x}_{\tau_i})}{\sqrt{\alpha_{\tau_i}}} \right) + \sqrt{1-\alpha_{\tau_{i-1}}-\sigma_{\tau_i}(\eta)^2} \cdot \epsilon_\theta^{(\tau_i)}(\mathbf{x}_{\tau_i}) + \sigma_{\tau_i}(\eta) \epsilon$$

where  $\sigma_{\tau_i}(\eta) = \eta \sqrt{\frac{1-\alpha_{\tau_{i-1}}}{1-\alpha_{\tau_i}}} \sqrt{1-\frac{\alpha_{\tau_i}}{\alpha_{\tau_{i-1}}}}$

**Accelerated  
Sampling process of  
Generalized DDPM**

- Non-Markovian property allows “skipped” sampling
  - $\tau_i$  is the index number at which we perform a reverse process

# Comparison

- DDPM vs DDIM

Table 1: CIFAR10 and CelebA image generation measured in FID.  $\eta = 1.0$  and  $\hat{\sigma}$  are cases of **DDPM** (although Ho et al. (2020) only considered  $T = 1000$  steps, and  $S < T$  can be seen as simulating DDPMs trained with  $S$  steps), and  $\eta = 0.0$  indicates **DDIM**.

S	CIFAR10 ( $32 \times 32$ )					CelebA ( $64 \times 64$ )					
	10	20	50	100	1000	10	20	50	100	1000	
$\eta$	0.0	<b>13.36</b>	<b>6.84</b>	<b>4.67</b>	<b>4.16</b>	4.04	<b>17.33</b>	<b>13.73</b>	<b>9.17</b>	<b>6.53</b>	3.51
	0.2	14.04	7.11	4.77	4.25	4.09	17.66	14.11	9.51	6.79	3.64
	0.5	16.66	8.35	5.25	4.46	4.29	19.86	16.06	11.01	8.09	4.28
	1.0	41.07	18.36	8.01	5.78	4.73	33.12	26.03	18.48	13.93	5.98
$\hat{\sigma}$	367.43	133.37	32.72	9.99	<b>3.17</b>	299.71	183.83	71.71	45.20	<b>3.26</b>	

# Guided Sampling

# Classifier-guided Sampling

- We want to sample class-specific, high-quality samples
- A new forward process  $\hat{q}(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}|\mathbf{x}_t, y)$
- Then, unknown reverse process  $\hat{q}(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, y)$  becomes

$$\hat{q}(x_t|x_{t+1}, y) = \frac{q(x_t|x_{t+1})\hat{q}(y|x_t)}{\hat{q}(y|x_{t+1})} = Z \cdot q(x_t|x_{t+1})\hat{q}(y|x_t) \quad (\text{complex derivation omitted})$$

- So we model the neural network

$$p_{\theta, \phi}(x_t|x_{t+1}, y) = Z p_{\theta}(x_t|x_{t+1}) p_{\phi}(y|x_t)$$

# Conditional Reverse Process

$$p_{\theta, \phi}(x_t | x_{t+1}, y) = Z p_{\theta}(x_t | x_{t+1}) p_{\phi}(y | x_t)$$

$$p_{\theta}(x_t | x_{t+1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\log p_{\theta}(x_t | x_{t+1}) = -\frac{1}{2}(x_t - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_t - \mu) + C$$

$$\begin{aligned}\log p_{\phi}(y | x_t) &\approx \log p_{\phi}(y | x_t)|_{x_t=\mu} + (x_t - \mu) \nabla_{x_t} \log p_{\phi}(y | x_t)|_{x_t=\mu} \\ &= (x_t - \mu)g + C_1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\log(p_{\theta}(x_t | x_{t+1}) p_{\phi}(y | x_t)) &\approx -\frac{1}{2}(x_t - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_t - \mu) + (x_t - \mu)g + C_2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(x_t - \mu - \Sigma g)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_t - \mu - \Sigma g) + \frac{1}{2}g^T \Sigma g + C_2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(x_t - \mu - \Sigma g)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_t - \mu - \Sigma g) + C_3 \\ &= \log p(z) + C_4, z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu + \Sigma g, \Sigma)\end{aligned}$$

# Classifier-guided Sampling Algorithm

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**Algorithm 1** Classifier guided diffusion sampling, given a diffusion model  $(\mu_\theta(x_t), \Sigma_\theta(x_t))$ , classifier  $p_\phi(y|x_t)$ , and gradient scale  $s$ .

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Need to train  
this separately  
with noisy samples

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Input: class label  $y$ , gradient scale  $s$ 
 $x_T \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$ 
for all  $t$  from  $T$  to 1 do
     $\mu, \Sigma \leftarrow \mu_\theta(x_t), \Sigma_\theta(x_t)$ 
     $x_{t-1} \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(\mu + s\Sigma \nabla_{x_t} \log p_\phi(y|x_t), \Sigma)$ 
end for
return  $x_0$ 
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Figure 3: Samples from an unconditional diffusion model with classifier guidance to condition on the class "Pembroke Welsh corgi". Using classifier scale 1.0 (left; FID: 33.0) does not produce convincing samples in this class, whereas classifier scale 10.0 (right; FID: 12.0) produces much more class-consistent images.

# Classifier-guided DDIM

- Connection with Noise-Conditioned Score Matching (NCSM)
  - Sampling via Langevin dynamics
    - Iteratively follow the gradient of the log probability  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{x})$
  - A score network  $\mathbf{s}_\theta : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^D$  is trained to estimate it,  $\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}) \approx \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{x})$
  - Song & Ermon 2019 improved it to  $\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \approx \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t)$ 
    - Train neural network to learn scores for samples with different levels of noise
    - Increasing noise level  $\iff$  DDPM forward process

$$\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \approx \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} [\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)] = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ -\frac{\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \right] = -\frac{\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}}$$

# Classifier-guided DDIM

Note that  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$

Joint distribution of the score function:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t, y) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(y|\mathbf{x}_t) \\ &\approx -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_\phi(y|\mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_\phi(y|\mathbf{x}_t))\end{aligned}$$

New classifier-guided noise predictor:

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(x_t, t) - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} w \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_\phi(y|\mathbf{x}_t)$$

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**Algorithm 2** Classifier guided DDIM sampling, given a diffusion model  $\epsilon_\theta(x_t)$ , classifier  $f_\phi(y|x_t)$ , and gradient scale  $s$ .

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Input: class label  $y$ , gradient scale  $s$

$x_T \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$

**for all**  $t$  from  $T$  to 1 **do**

$$\hat{\epsilon} \leftarrow \epsilon_\theta(x_t) - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \nabla_{x_t} \log f_\phi(y|x_t)$$

$$x_{t-1} \leftarrow \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \left( \frac{x_t - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \hat{\epsilon}}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} \right) + \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \hat{\epsilon}$$

**end for**

**return**  $x_0$

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# Classifier-free Guidance

- Class-conditioned diffusion without pre-trained classifier
- From NCSM-DDPM

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(\mathbf{x}_t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(\mathbf{x}_t|y) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y)$$

- Assume an implicit classifier

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(y|\mathbf{x}_t) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(\mathbf{x}_t|y) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(\mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t))\end{aligned}$$

- From Classifier-guided DDIM

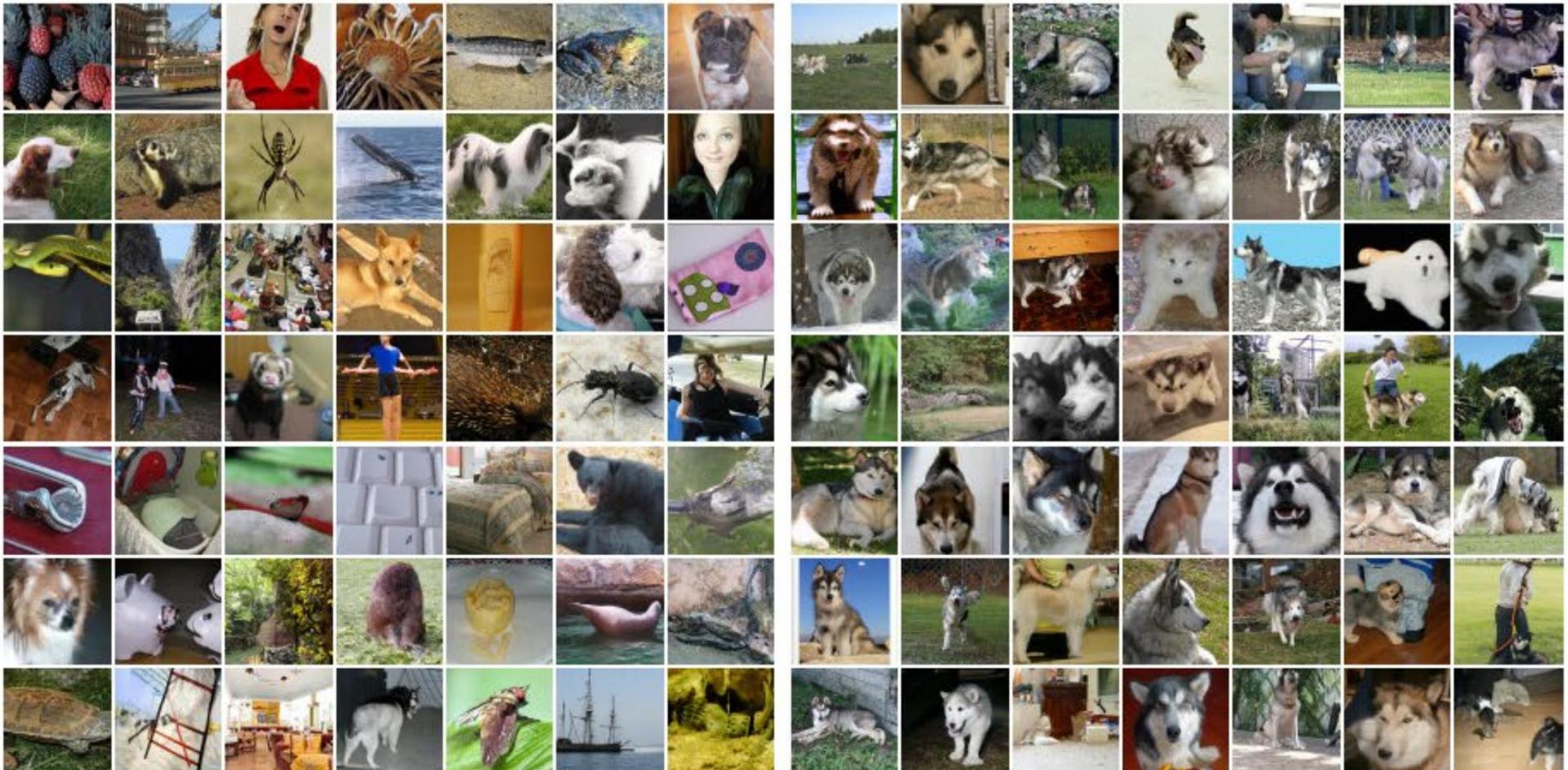
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) &= \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} w \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(y|\mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) + w (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)) \\ &= (w+1)\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) - w\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\end{aligned}$$

# Classifier-free Guidance

$$\bar{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) = (w + 1)\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y) - w\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$$

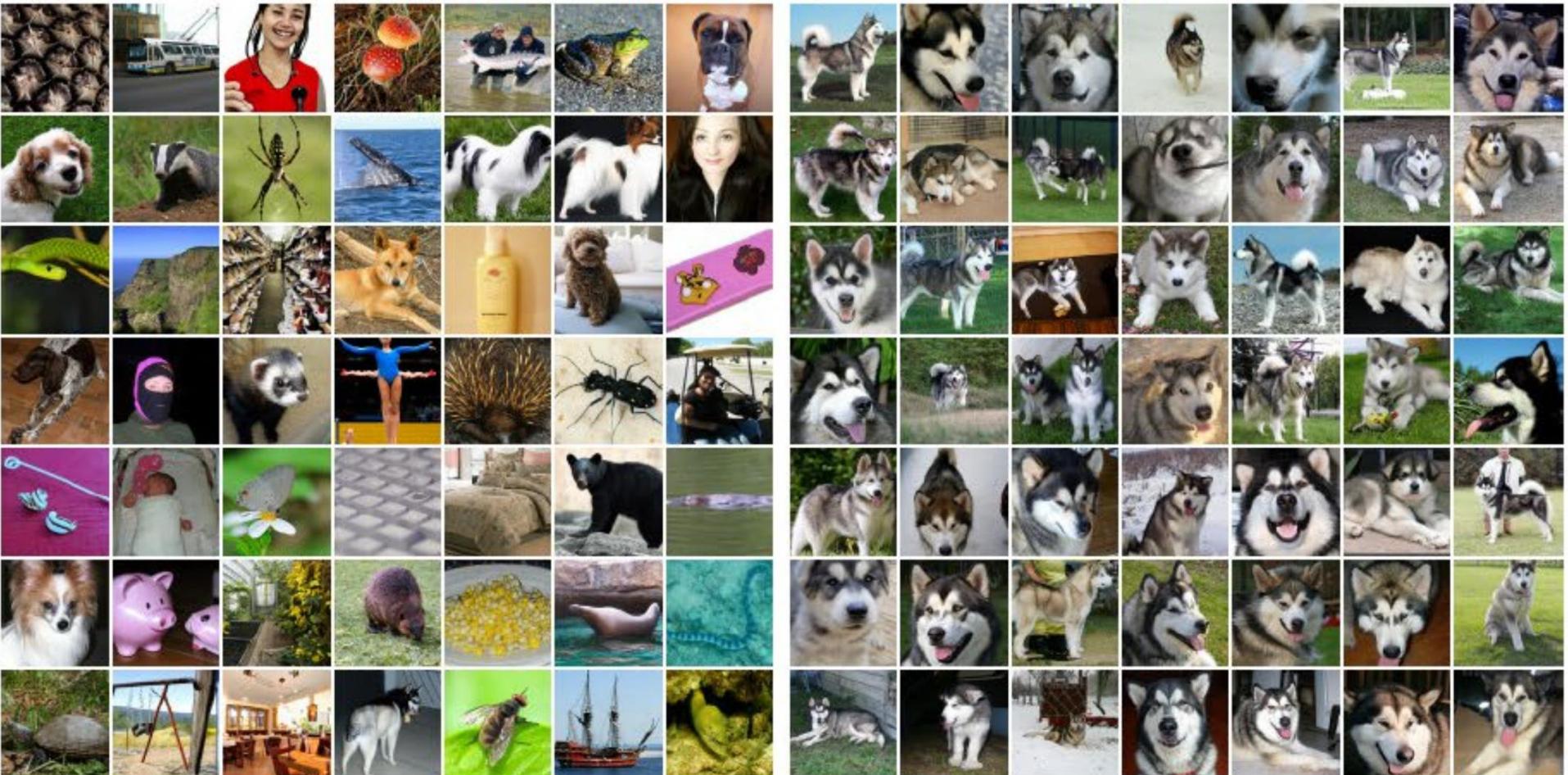
- Guided noise is a linear combination of conditioned/unconditioned noise
- We can train both  $\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y)$  and  $\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$  with a single neural network
- Train with a null class (i.e. random sample) 10% of the training time
  - $\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t, y = \emptyset)$

# Classifier-free Guidance



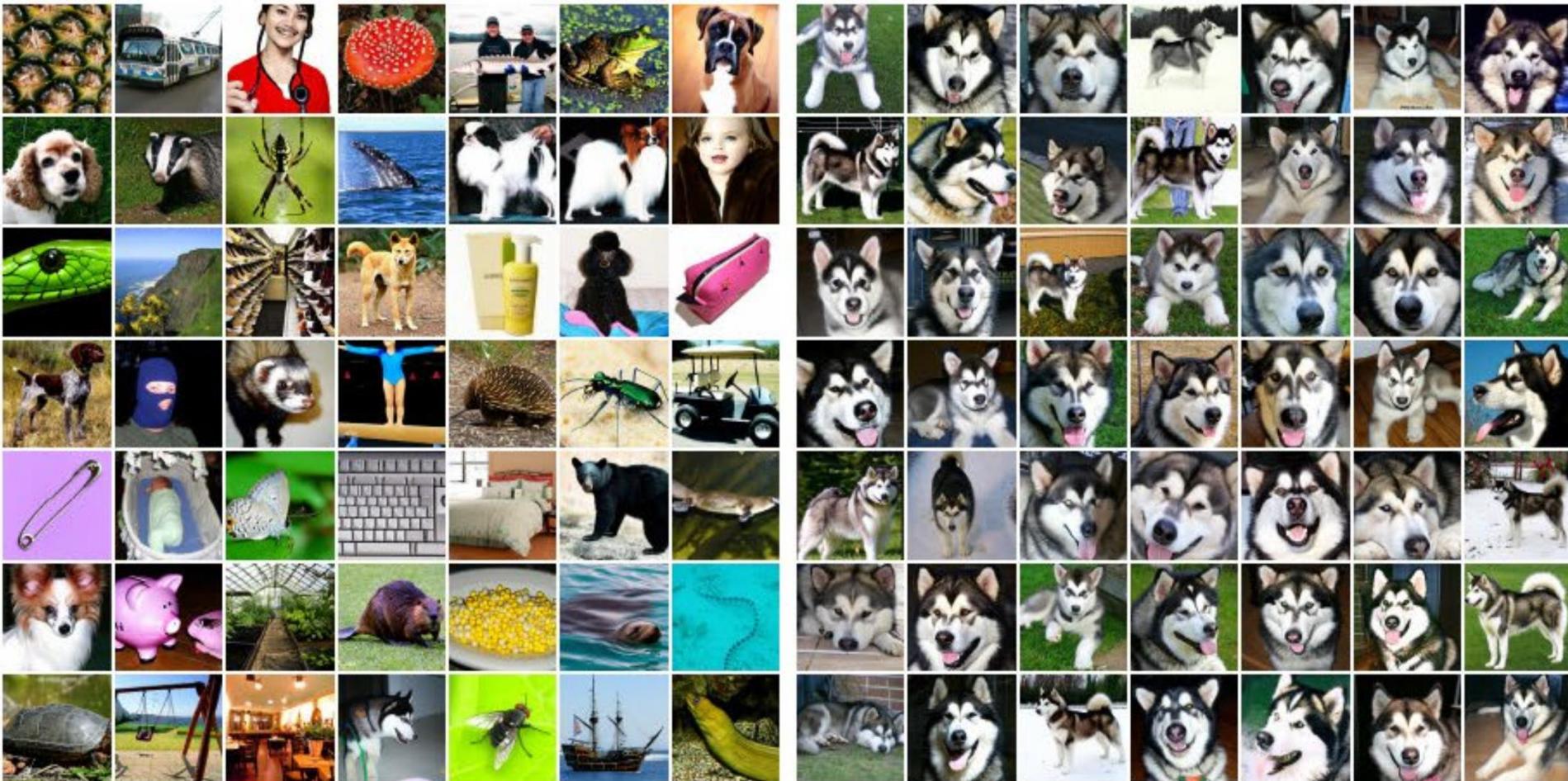
(a) Non-guided conditional sampling: FID=1.80, IS=53.71

# Classifier-free Guidance



(b) Classifier-free guidance with  $w = 1.0$ : FID=12.6, IS=170.1

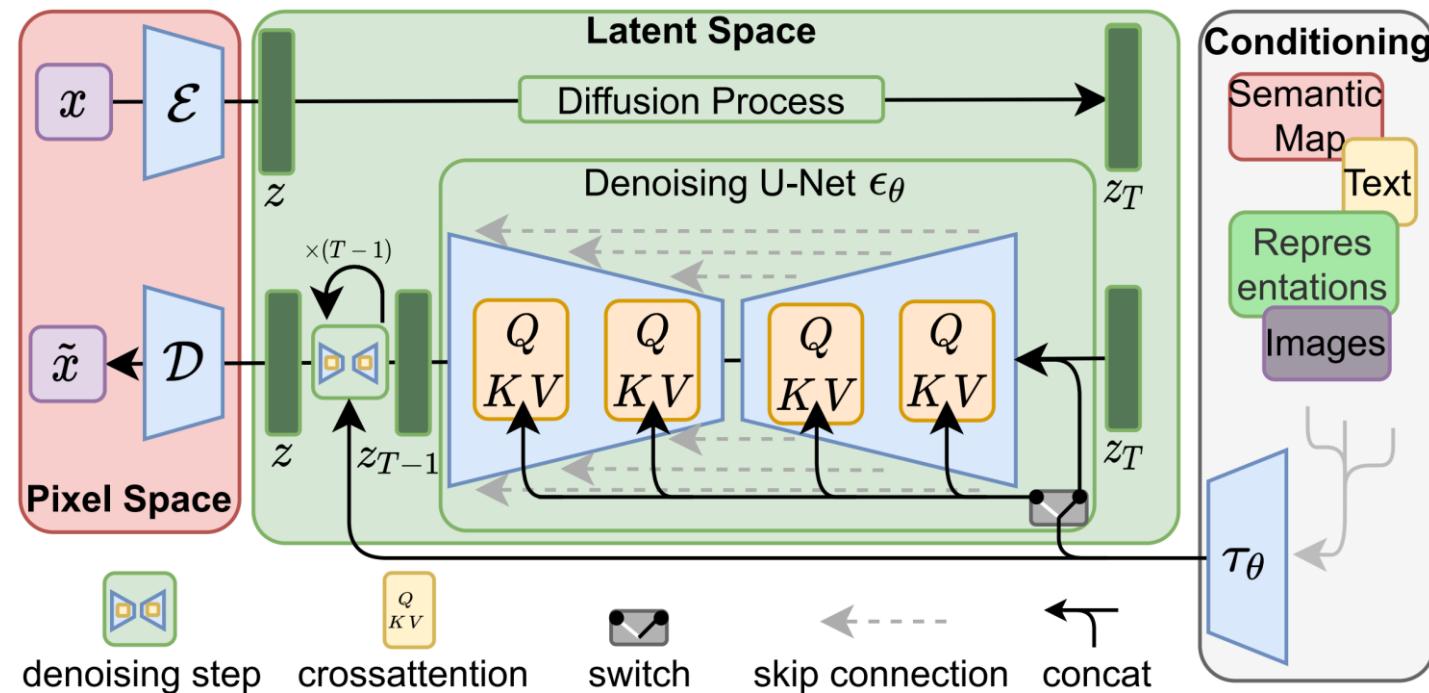
# Classifier-free Guidance



(c) Classifier-free guidance with  $w = 3.0$ : FID=24.83, IS=250.4

# Latent DDPM

- DDPM + Autoencoder
  - Compress high-resolution images using an AE
  - Train DDPM in the latent space



# Quiz 2

- Which of the following is true?
  - You don't need a separate classifier to do a guided diffusion
  - The reverse process is in essence moving towards the high-likelihood region
  - Guided diffusion guarantees an output image of the chosen class
  - Latent diffusion allows faster image generation than normal diffusion
  - You can use diffusion to generate data other than images

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## Week 14: Deep Diffusion Probabilistic Model

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# Variational Lower Bound

Note VAE objective:  $\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}) - D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})\|p_\theta(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})} \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) - D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})\|p_\theta(\mathbf{z}))$

Goal: We want to minimize the negative log-likelihood.

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)} [-\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0)] \\ & \leq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)} [-\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0) + D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0) \| p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0))] \\ & = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ -\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \sim q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) / p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0)} \right] \right] \\ & = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ -\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \sim q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} + \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_0) \right] \right] \\ & = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{0:T} \sim q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \right] := L_{\text{VLB}} \end{aligned}$$

In other words, we can achieve the goal by minimizing  $L_{\text{VLB}}$ !