

Deep Generative Models

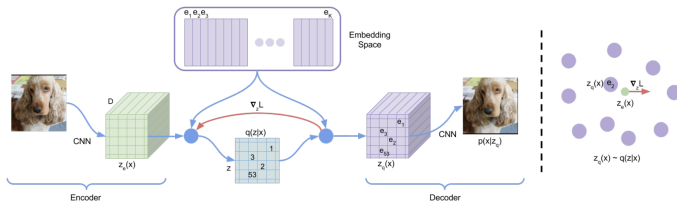
Lecture 13

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Recap of previous lecture



Deterministic variational posterior

$$q(c_{ij} = k^* | \mathbf{x}, \phi) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } k^* = \arg \min_k \|\mathbf{z}_e\|_{ij} - \mathbf{e}_k\|; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

ELBO

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi, \theta) = \mathbb{E}_{q(c|\mathbf{x}, \phi)} \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{e}_c, \theta) - \log K = \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}_q, \theta) - \log K.$$

Straight-through gradient estimation

$$\frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}_q, \theta)}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}_q, \theta)}{\partial \mathbf{z}_q} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_q}{\partial \phi} \approx \frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}_q, \theta)}{\partial \mathbf{z}_q} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_e}{\partial \phi}$$

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Gumbel-max trick

Let $g_k \sim \text{Gumbel}(0, 1)$ for $k = 1, \dots, K$. Then

$$c = \arg \max_k [\log \pi_k + g_k]$$

has a categorical distribution $c \sim \text{Categorical}(\pi)$.

Gumbel-softmax relaxation

Concrete distribution = continuous + discrete

$$\hat{c}_k = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{\log q(k|\mathbf{x}, \phi) + g_k}{\tau}\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp\left(\frac{\log q(j|\mathbf{x}, \phi) + g_j}{\tau}\right)}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K.$$

Reparametrization trick

$$\nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{q(c|\mathbf{x}, \phi)} \log p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{e}_c, \theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\text{Gumbel}(0,1)} \nabla_{\phi} \log p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta),$$

where $\mathbf{z} = \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{c}_k \mathbf{e}_k$ (all operations are differentiable now).

Maddison C. J., Mnih A., Teh Y. W. *The Concrete distribution: A continuous relaxation of discrete random variables*, 2016

Jang E., Gu S., Poole B. *Categorical reparameterization with Gumbel-Softmax*, 2016

Recap of previous lecture

Consider Ordinary Differential Equation

$$\frac{d\mathbf{z}(t)}{dt} = f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}); \quad \text{with initial condition } \mathbf{z}(t_0) = \mathbf{z}_0.$$

$$\mathbf{z}(t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) dt + \mathbf{z}_0 = \text{ODESolve}(\mathbf{z}(t_0), f, t_0, t_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Euler update step

$$\frac{\mathbf{z}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{z}(t)}{\Delta t} = f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{z}(t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{z}(t) + \Delta t \cdot f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Residual block

$$\mathbf{z}_{t+1} = \mathbf{z}_t + f(\mathbf{z}_t, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

It is equivalent to Euler update step for solving ODE with $\Delta t = 1$!

In the limit of adding more layers and taking smaller steps we get:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{z}(t)}{dt} = f(\mathbf{z}(t), t, \boldsymbol{\theta}); \quad \mathbf{z}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}; \quad \mathbf{z}(t_1) = \mathbf{y}.$$

Outline

1. Continuous-in-time normalizing flows
2. Langevin dynamic

Neural ODE

Forward pass (loss function)

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{y}) &= L(\mathbf{z}(t_1)) = L\left(\mathbf{z}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) dt\right) \\ &= L(\text{ODESolve}(\mathbf{z}(t_0), f, t_0, t_1, \boldsymbol{\theta})) \end{aligned}$$

Note: ODESolve could be any method (Euler step, Runge-Kutta methods).

Backward pass (gradients computation)

For fitting parameters we need gradients:

$$\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t) = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}; \quad \mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t) = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)}.$$

In theory of optimal control these functions called **adjoint** functions. They show how the gradient of the loss depends on the hidden state $\mathbf{z}(t)$ and parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$.

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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 dynamics

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{z}(t_1) &= \mathbf{z}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) dt \\ \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(t_0) &= \mathbf{z}(t_1) + \int_{t_1}^{t_0} f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) dt\end{aligned}$$

Continuous Normalizing Flows

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

Theorem (special case of Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck)

If function f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in \mathbf{z} and continuous in t , then

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

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

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

Here $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = p(\mathbf{z}(t_1), t_1)$, $p(\mathbf{z}) = p(\mathbf{z}(t_0), t_0)$.

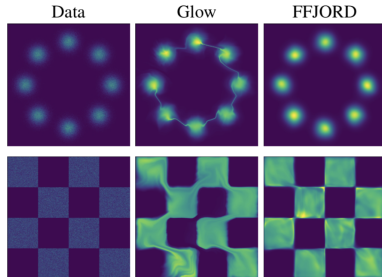
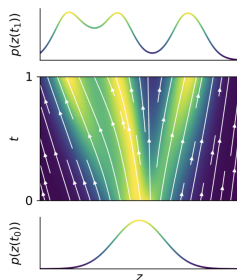
Adjoint method is used for getting the derivatives.

Continuous Normalizing Flows

Forward transform + log-density

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

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



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

Continuous Normalizing Flows

- ▶ $\text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right)$ costs $O(m^2)$ (m evaluations of f), since we have to compute a derivative for each diagonal element.
- ▶ Jacobian vector products $\mathbf{v}^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$ can be computed for approximately the same cost as evaluating f .

It is possible to reduce cost from $O(m^2)$ to $O(m)$!

Hutchinson's trace estimator

$$\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr} \left(A \mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})} \left[\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \right] \right) = \mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})} \left[\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T A \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \right]; \quad \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\epsilon}] = 0; \quad \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = I.$$

FFJORD density estimation

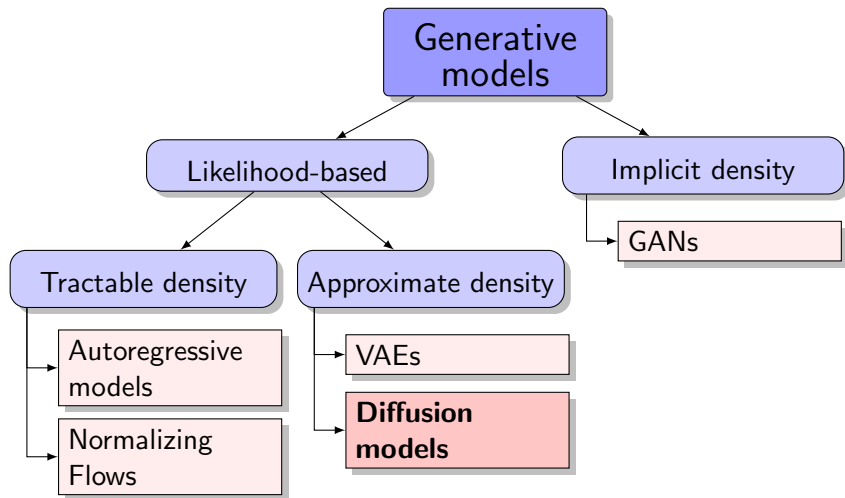
$$\begin{aligned} \log p(\mathbf{z}(t_1)) &= \log p(\mathbf{z}(t_0)) - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{z}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right) dt = \\ &= \log p(\mathbf{z}(t_0)) - \mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left[\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

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Generative models zoo



Langevin dynamic

Imagine that we have some generative model $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$.

Statement

Let \mathbf{x}_0 be a random vector. Then under mild regularity conditions for small enough η samples from the following dynamics

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

will come from $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$.

What do we get if $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \mathbf{0}$?

Energy-based model

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{Z_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}, \quad \text{where } Z_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \int \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log Z_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

Stochastic differential equation (SDE)

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

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

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

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

- ▶ $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ 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.

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:

$$\frac{\partial p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} = \text{tr} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)p(\mathbf{x}, t)] + \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \right)$$

Stochastic differential equation (SDE)

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

Langevin SDE (special case)

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

Langevin discrete dynamic

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

Let apply KFP theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} &= \text{tr} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left[p(\mathbf{x}, t) \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \right) = \\ &= \text{tr} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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

Stochastic differential equation (SDE)

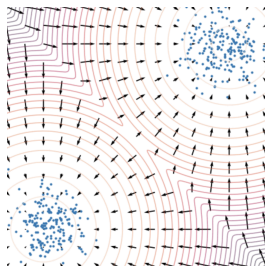
Statement

Let \mathbf{x}_0 be a random vector. Then samples from the following dynamics

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will come from $p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\theta})$ under mild regularity conditions for small enough η and large enough t .

The density $p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\theta})$ is a **stationary** distribution for this SDE.



Summary

- ▶ Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck theorem allows to construct continuous-in-time normalizing flow with less functional restrictions.
- ▶ FFJORD model makes such kind of flows scalable.
- ▶ Langevin dynamics allows to sample from the model using the score function (due to the existence of stationary distribution for SDE).