

# Diffusion Models: DALL-E

## Deep Learning and Neural Networks: Advanced Topics

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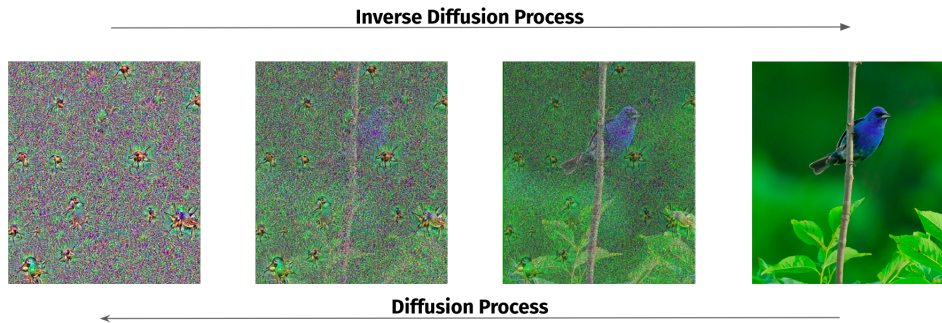
## Diffusion Models

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# Overview

*Diffusion models are generative models that aim at denoising data*

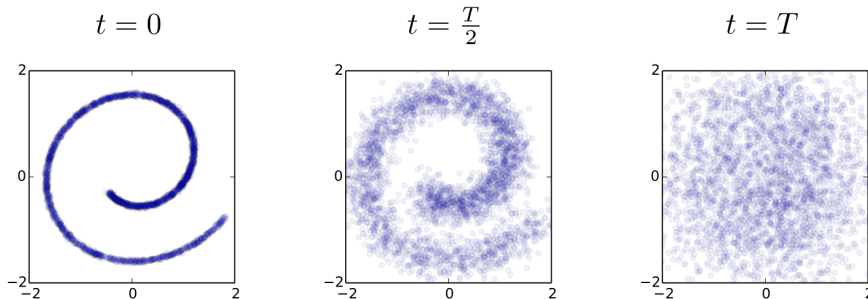


2015) ...*Non-equilibrium Thermodynamics*. Sohl-Dickstein et al. ICML

2020) *Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models*. Ho et al. NeurIPS.

2021) *Score-Based Generative Modeling Through SDE*. Song et al. ICLR.

# Deep Unsupervised Learning using Non-Equilibrium Thermodynamics



Diffusion process as a **Markov Chain with Continuous State Space and Discrete Time**.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Sohl-Dickstein et al., "Deep Unsupervised Learning using Nonequilibrium Thermodynamics".

# Reminder: Markov Chains with Discrete Time

## Informal Definition

A sequence of random variables  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}, \dots$ , such that:

- $\mathbf{x}^{(t)} \in S$ , where  $S$  State Space
- The future  $\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)}$  depends on the present  $\mathbf{x}^{(t)}$  but not on the past  $\mathbf{x}^{(t-1)}$

Discrete State Space  $S$

Continuous State Space  $S$



# Reminder: MCDT with Discrete State Space

## Definition

A sequence of random variables

$$\{\mathbf{x}^{(t)}\}_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \subseteq S$$

- Discrete Time Property

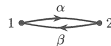
$$\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}, \dots$$

- Markov Property

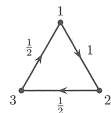
$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)} \in A \mid \mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}) =$$

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$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & 1-\beta \end{pmatrix}$$



$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



Two MCs with a discrete state space of respectively 2 and 3 states each.

## Reminder: DTMC with Continuous State Space

Let assume  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S$  where  $S$  continuous state space (e.g.  $S = \mathbb{R}^d$ ) Joint Distribution  $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x} \in A | \mathbf{y} \in B) = \int_A \int_B p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y}$$

Transactional Kernel  $p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y})$

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) p(\mathbf{x})$$

Marginal Distribution  $p(\mathbf{x})$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \int_S p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} = \int_S p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{y}$$

# Markov Chains with Discrete Time

## Definition

A sequence of random variables  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(t)}\}_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \subseteq S$ , such that the future  $\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)}$  depends on the present  $\mathbf{x}^{(t)}$  but not on the past  $\mathbf{x}^{(t-1)}$ .

- Discrete Time Property

$$\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}, \dots$$

- Markov Property

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)} \in A \mid \mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}) = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)} \in A \mid \mathbf{x}^{(t)})$$

Discrete State Space  $S$

Continuous State Space  $S$

## Broader Impacts

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*“We also found discrepancies across gender and race for people categorized into the ‘crime’ and ‘non-human’ categories...”<sup>2</sup>*

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<sup>2</sup>Radford et al., “Learning Transferable Visual Models From Natural Language Supervision”.

# Thanks for the attention

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