

Diffusion Models: DALL-E

Deep Learning and Neural Networks: Advanced Topics

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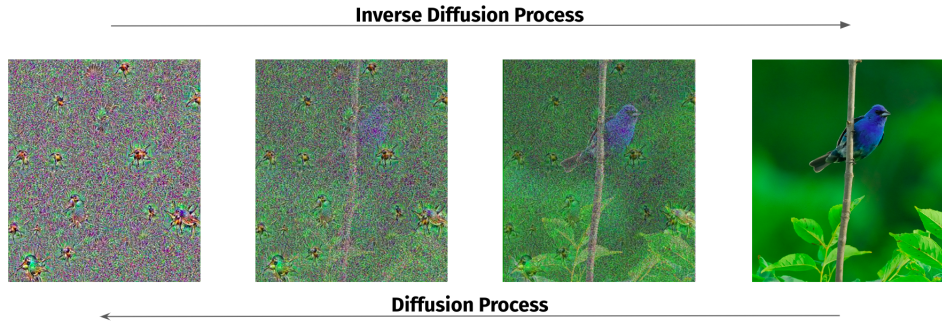


Diffusion Models



Overview

Diffusion models are generative models that aim at denoising data

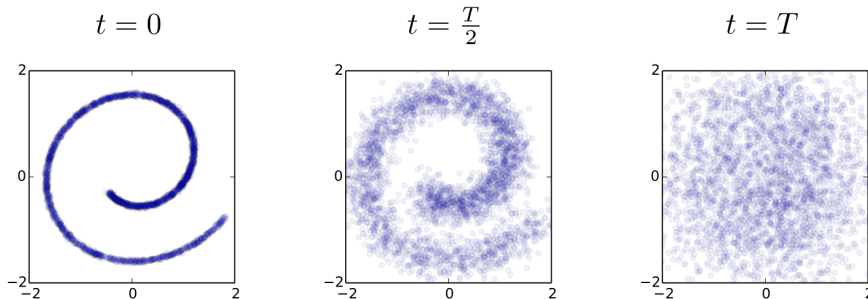


2015) ...*Non-equilibrium Thermodynamics*. Sohl-Dickstein et al. ICML

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**.¹

¹Sohl-Dickstein et al., "Deep Unsupervised Learning using Nonequilibrium Thermodynamics".

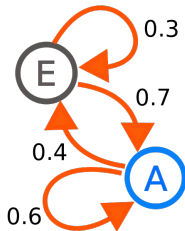
Reminder: Markov Chains with Discrete Time

Informal Definition

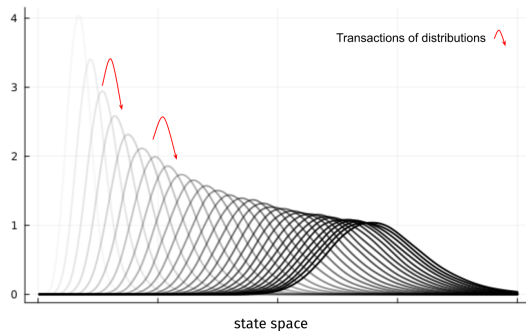
A sequence of random variables $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}, \dots$, such that:

- $\mathbf{x}^{(t)} \in S$, 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 $\{\mathbf{x}^{(t)}\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq S$, a matrix $P = (p_{ij})$.

- Discrete state space: $S = \{s_0, \dots, s_n, \dots\}$
- Markov Property: $\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)}$ not dep. $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t-1)}$.
- Transition Matrix: $\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x}^{(t+1)} = s_j | \mathbf{x}^{(t)} = s_i) = p_{ij}$

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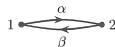
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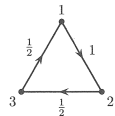
P is a stochastic matrix!

$$\forall i, \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} p_{ij} = 1$$

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



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



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

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

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

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

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



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


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

Thanks for the attention

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