Diffusion Models

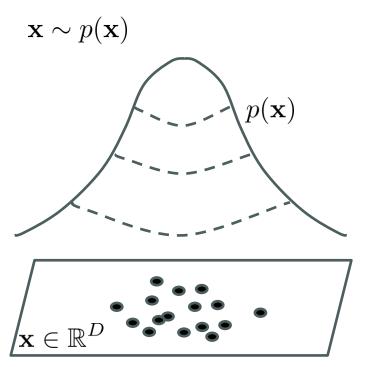
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Data Generation



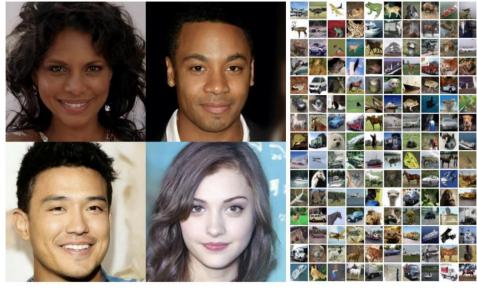


Figure 1: Generated samples on CelebA-HQ 256 × 256 (left) and unconditional CIFAR10 (right)

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{Pixel}}$$

Data Generation 101

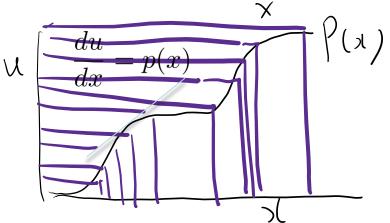
Cumulative distribution

$$P(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} p(x)dx \equiv u$$
$$x = P^{-1}(u)$$

$$du = p(x)dx$$

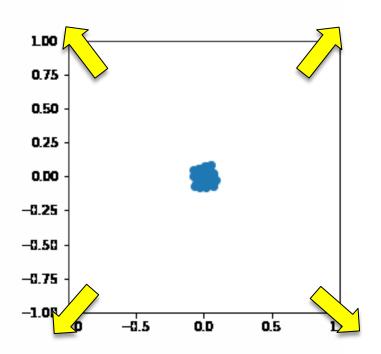
 $u \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$

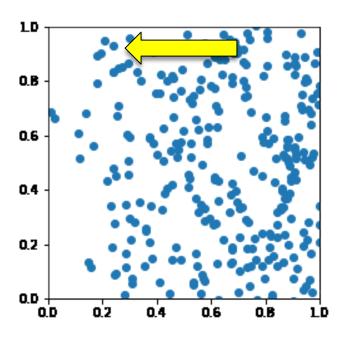






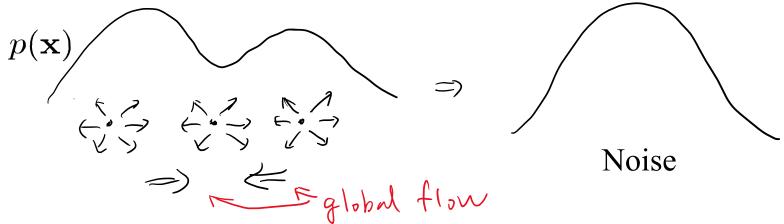
Diffusion



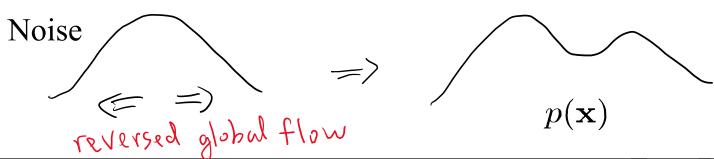


Diffusion of Non-Uniform Density

Diffusion of Non-uniform density makes a global flow



 Reverse process in diffusion model reconstructs the backward global flow.



Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models

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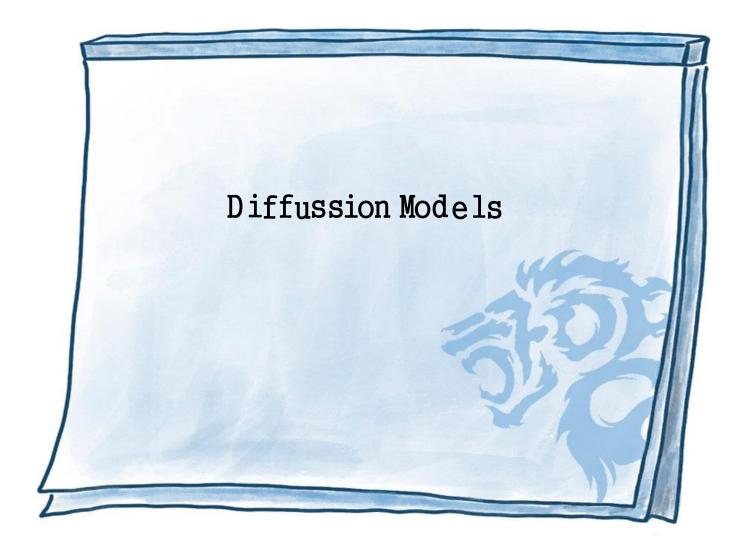
Abstract

We present high quality image synthesis results using diffusion probabilistic models, a class of latent variable models inspired by considerations from nonequilibrium thermodynamics. Our best results are obtained by training on a weighted variational bound designed according to a novel connection between diffusion probabilistic models and denoising score matching with Langevin dynamics, and our models naturally admit a progressive lossy decompression scheme that can be interpreted as a generalization of autoregressive decoding. On the unconditional CIFAR10 dataset, we obtain an Inception score of 9.46 and a state-of-the-art FID score of 3.17. On 256x256 LSUN, we obtain sample quality similar to ProgressiveGAN. Our imple-

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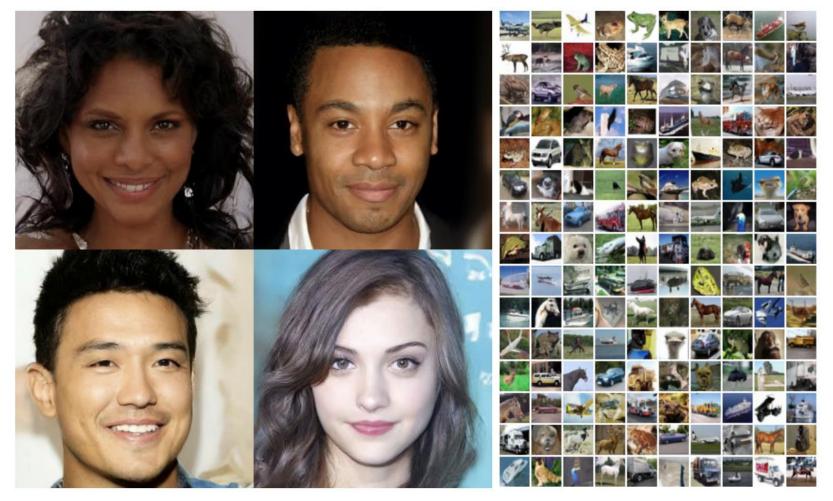


Figure 1: Generated samples on CelebA-HQ 256×256 (left) and unconditional CIFAR10 (right)

Underlying Dffusion Procedure

$$p(\mathbf{x}_T) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_T; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \qquad \mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_T \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_t \xrightarrow{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_0$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

Figure 2: The directed graphical model considered in this work.

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) \coloneqq \prod_{t=1}^{T} q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}), \qquad q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \coloneqq \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1-\beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I})$$

$$\beta_t > 0$$

 $q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0), \ q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$: Gaussians

Caution) $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$: Not Gaussian $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \int q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) p(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_t) d\mathbf{x}_0$

If $p(\mathbf{x}_0)$ is Gaussian, $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ is Gaussian.

: Gaussian mixture



Model for Reverse Process

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) \coloneqq p(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^{T} p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t), \qquad p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) \coloneqq \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

Objective function:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[-\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0})\right] \leq \mathbb{E}_{q}\left[-\log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_{0})}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q}\left[-\log p(\mathbf{x}_{T}) - \sum_{t \geq 1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t}|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}\right] =: L$$

Look at the derivations in the next two pages...

Constructing Objective Functions - 1

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

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

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[-\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_{T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{T})} - \sum_{t \geq 1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})} - \log q(\mathbf{x}_{0}) \right]$$

$$= D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{T}) \parallel p(\mathbf{x}_{T})) + \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[\sum_{t \geq 1} D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t}) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})) \right] + H(\mathbf{x}_{0})$$

Can we have this density function?



Constructing Objective Functions - 2

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

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

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

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[-\log p(\mathbf{x}_{T}) - \sum_{t \geq 1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t}|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})} - \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1}|\mathbf{x}_{0})} \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[-\log p(\mathbf{x}_{T}) - \sum_{t \geq 1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t}|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})} - \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1}|\mathbf{x}_{0})} \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[-\log p(\mathbf{x}_{T}) - \sum_{t>1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t}, \mathbf{x}_{0})} \cdot \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{0})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t}|\mathbf{x}_{0})} \cdot \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1}|\mathbf{x}_{0})} \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[-\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_{T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{T}|\mathbf{x}_{0})} - \sum_{t>1} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t}, \mathbf{x}_{0})} - \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1}) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{q} \left[\frac{D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{T}|\mathbf{x}_{0}) \parallel p(\mathbf{x}_{T})) + \sum_{t>1} D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t}, \mathbf{x}_{0}) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t})) - \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1})}{L_{T}} \right]$$

$$L_{t-1}$$



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Tractable Functions

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

Decomposition for Gaussian Inference

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^D} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)$$
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_a \\ \mathbf{x}_b \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_a \in \mathbb{R}^{D_a} \quad \mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_a & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{x}_{b})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^{D}} \left| \left(\begin{array}{cc} \Sigma_{a} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{b} \end{array} \right) \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a} \\ \mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b} \end{array} \right)^{\top} \left(\begin{array}{cc} \Sigma_{a} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{b} \end{array} \right)^{-1} \left(\begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a} \\ \mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b} \end{array} \right) \right)$$

Decomposition for Gaussian Inference

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{x}_{b})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^{D}} \left| \left(\sum_{ba}^{\Sigma_{a}} \sum_{ba}^{\Sigma_{ab}} \right) \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a} \right)^{\top} \left(\sum_{ba}^{\Sigma_{a}} \sum_{ba}^{\Sigma_{ab}} \right)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a} \right) \right)$$

$$\mu_{a|b} = \sum_{ab} \sum_{b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b})$$

$$= C \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_{a} - \sum_{ab} \sum_{b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b}) \right)^{\top} \left(\sum_{a} - \sum_{ab} \sum_{b}^{-1} \sum_{ba} \right)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{x}_{a} - \sum_{ab} \sum_{b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b}) \right) \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b} \right)^{\top} \sum_{b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b}) \right)$$

$$= C \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a|b} \right)^{\top} \sum_{a|b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{a} - \mu_{a|b}) \right)$$

$$= p(\mathbf{x}_{a} | \mathbf{x}_{b}) p(\mathbf{x}_{b})$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b})^{\top} \sum_{b}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_{b} - \mu_{b}) \right)$$

Decomposition for Inference

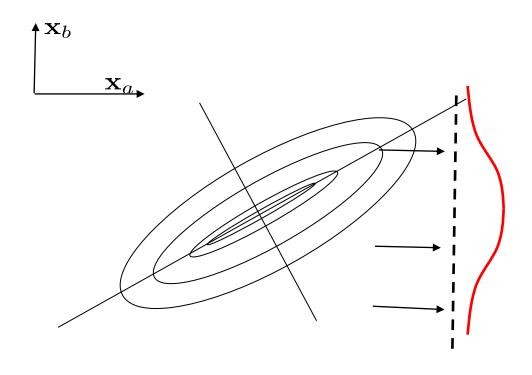
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_a \\ \mathbf{x}_b \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_a \in \mathbb{R}^{D_a} \qquad \mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_a & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^D} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)$$
$$= C_1 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_a - \mu_{a|b}(\mathbf{x}_b))^{\top} \Sigma_{a|b}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_a - \mu_{a|b}(\mathbf{x}_b))\right) \cdot$$
$$C_2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_b - \mu_b)^{\top} \Sigma_b^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_b - \mu_b)\right)$$

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



Gaussian Random Variable - Marginalization



$$p(\mathbf{x}_b) = \int p(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{x}_b) d\mathbf{x}_a$$
$$= \int p(\mathbf{x}_a | \mathbf{x}_b) p(\mathbf{x}_b) d\mathbf{x}_a$$
$$= \mathcal{N}(\mu_b, \Sigma_b)$$

Gaussian Random Variable - Marginal

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^D} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{x}_{b})$$

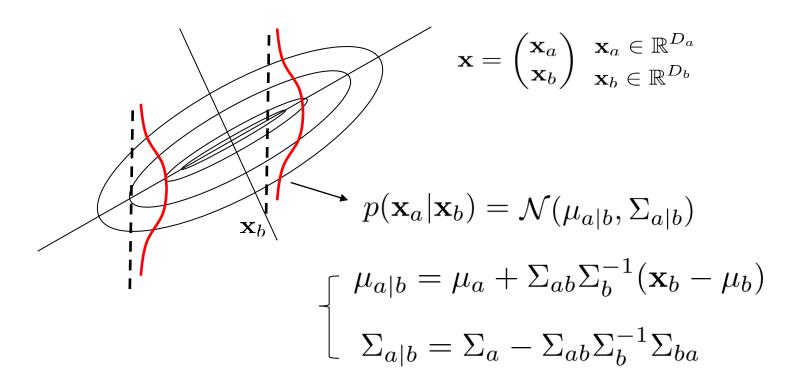
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^{D}} \left| \left(\sum_{a} \mathcal{F}_{a}^{a} \right) \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{b} \mathcal{F}_{a}^{a} \mathcal{F}_{b}^{a} \right)^{\top} \left(\sum_{b} \mathcal{F}_{b}^{a} \mathcal{F}_{b}^{a} \right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{b} \mathcal{F}_{b}^{a} \mathcal{F}_{b}^{a} \right) \right)$$

$$\int p(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{x}_b) d\mathbf{x}_b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^{D_a}} |\Sigma_a|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_a - \mu_a)^{\top} \Sigma_a^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_a - \mu_a)\right)$$
$$= \mathcal{N}(\mu_a, \Sigma_a)$$



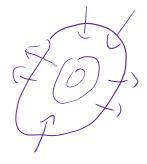
Gaussian Random Variable - Conditioning

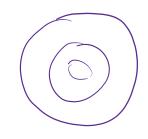
$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^D} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)$$



Diffusion and Reverse Process







$$L =$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{q}\left[\underbrace{D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{T}|\mathbf{x}_{0}) \parallel p(\mathbf{x}_{T}))}_{L_{T}} + \sum_{t>1} \underbrace{D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t},\mathbf{x}_{0}) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_{t}))}_{L_{t-1}} \underbrace{-\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0}|\mathbf{x}_{1})}_{L_{0}}\right]$$

Given \mathbf{x}_0 , everything is Gaussian. (Joint is not.)

$$\alpha_t \coloneqq 1 - \beta_t \qquad \bar{\alpha}_t \coloneqq \prod_{s=1}^t \alpha_s$$

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



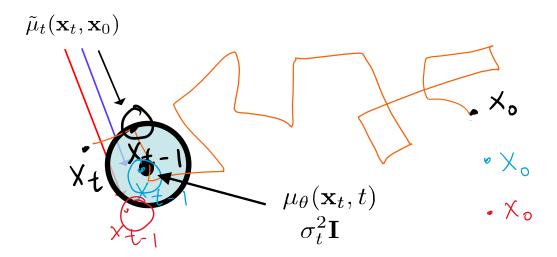
$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t,\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1};\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t,\mathbf{x}_0),\tilde{\beta}_t\mathbf{I})$$

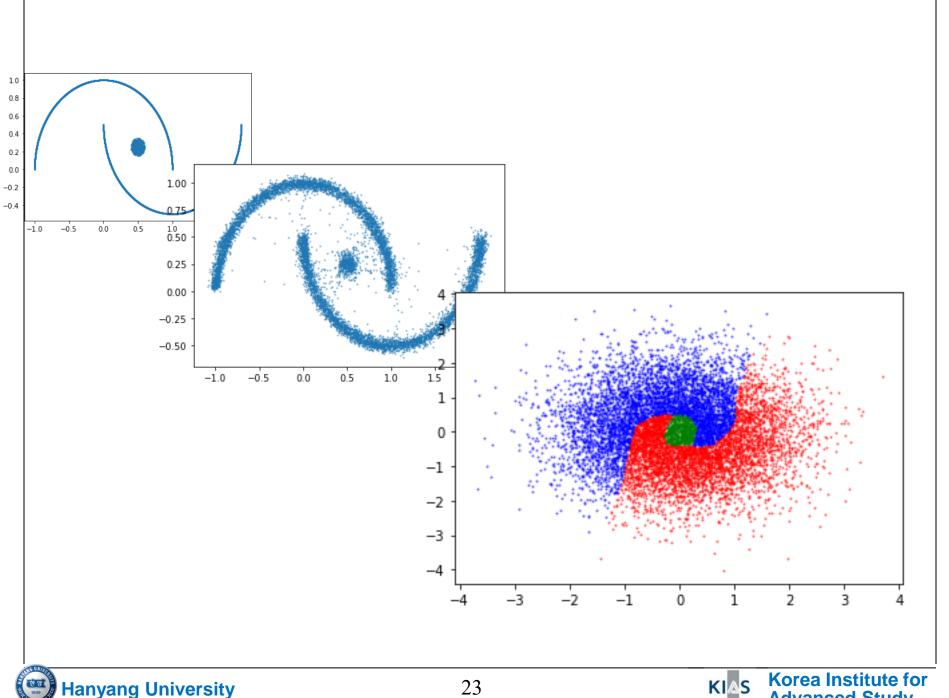
$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \coloneqq \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_t \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\beta}_t \coloneqq \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\beta_t$$

- Model $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)) \qquad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}$

- K-L divergence:

$$L_{t-1} = \mathbb{E}_q \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma_t^2} \| \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \|^2 \right] + C$$





Conditional Mean

$$\mathbf{x}_t(\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \qquad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

$$L_{t-1} - C$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma_{t}^{2}} \left\| \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{t} \left(\mathbf{x}_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon), \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t}}} (\mathbf{x}_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t}} \epsilon) \right) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta} (\mathbf{x}_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon), t) \right\|^{2} \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma_{t}^{2}} \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_{t}}} \left(\mathbf{x}_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon) - \frac{\beta_{t}}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t}}} \epsilon \right) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta} (\mathbf{x}_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{0}, \epsilon), t) \right\|^{2} \right]$$

$$\mu_{\theta}$$
 must predict $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}\left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\right)$ given \mathbf{x}_t

- New parameterization

$$\mu_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t) = \tilde{\mu}_{t} \left(\mathbf{x}_{t}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t}}} (\mathbf{x}_{t} - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t})) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_{t}}} \left(\mathbf{x}_{t} - \frac{\beta_{t}}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t}}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t) \right)$$

 ϵ_{θ} is a function approximator intended to predict ϵ from \mathbf{x}_{t}

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



Learning without Generating $x_1, x_2, ..., x_{t-1}$

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

- From \mathbf{x}_0 , generate \mathbf{x}_t , then predict ϵ .
- The distribution of $\epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$ is determined by the distribution of \mathbf{x}_0 . "Distribution of ϵ is isotropic Gaussian (non-informative) for a given \mathbf{x}_0 ."
- After marginalization, the expectation becomes the global flow of data due to diffusion.

Algorithm 1 Training

- 1: repeat
- 2: $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
- 3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
- 4: $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
- 5: Take gradient descent step on

$$\nabla_{\theta} \left\| \boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta} (\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t) \right\|^2$$

6: **until** converged = \mathbf{x}_t

Algorithm 2 Sampling

1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$

2: **for** t = T, ..., 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

Adding Noise



Figure 6: Unconditional CIFAR10 progressive generation ($\hat{\mathbf{x}}_0$ over time, from left to right). Extended samples and sample quality metrics over time in the appendix (Figs. 10 and 14).

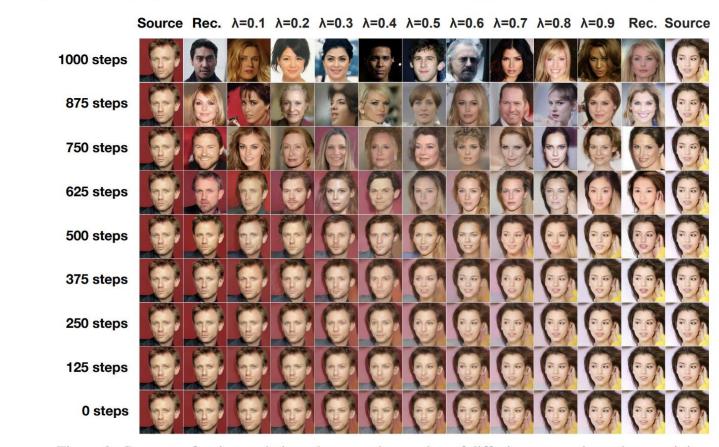
Results



Figure 7: When conditioned on the same latent, CelebA-HQ 256×256 samples share high-level attributes. Bottom-right quadrants are \mathbf{x}_t , and other quadrants are samples from $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_t)$.



Figure 8: Interpolations of CelebA-HQ 256x256 images with 500 timesteps of diffusion.



Classifier-free Guidance

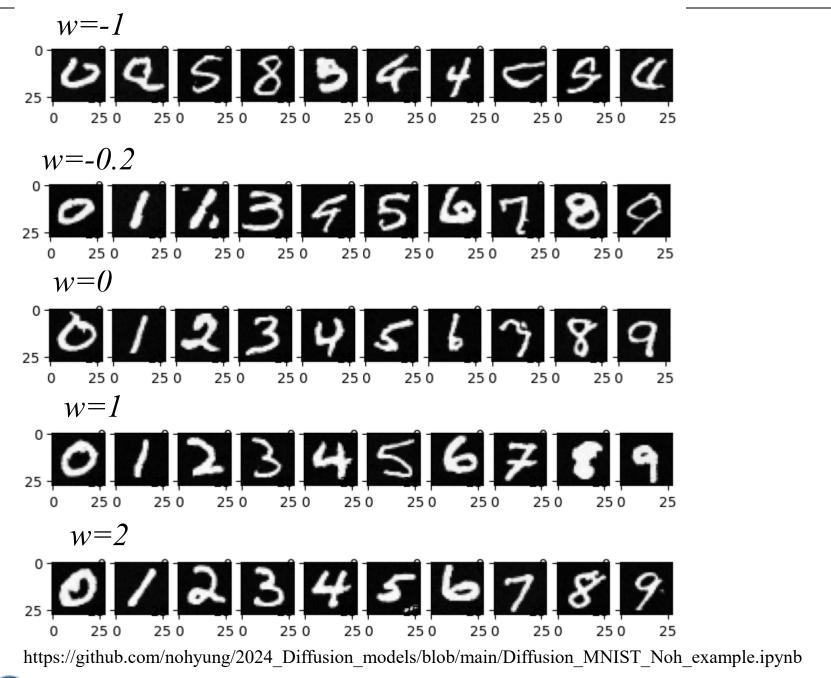
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{t}} \log p(y|\mathbf{x}_{t}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{t}} \log p(\mathbf{x}_{t}|y) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{t}} \log p(\mathbf{x}_{t})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t}}} \left(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t, y) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t) \right)$$

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

$$= \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t, y) + w \left(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t, y) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t}, t) \right)$$

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



Summary

Diffusion and Construction of Global Flow

Inference with Gaussians

Learning in DDPM and classifier-free guidance



