# Glow: Generative Flow with Invertible 1x1 Convolutions

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#### What is Generative Model?



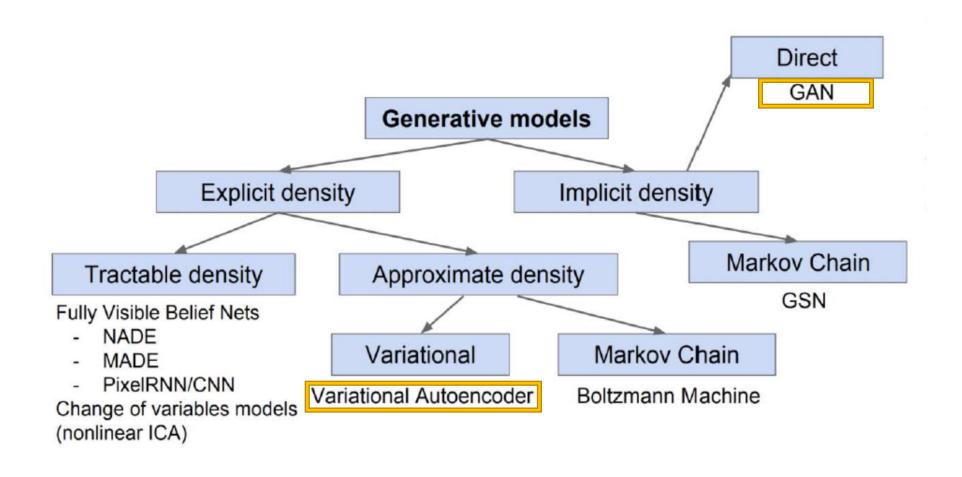
Training samples  $\sim p_{data}(x)$ 



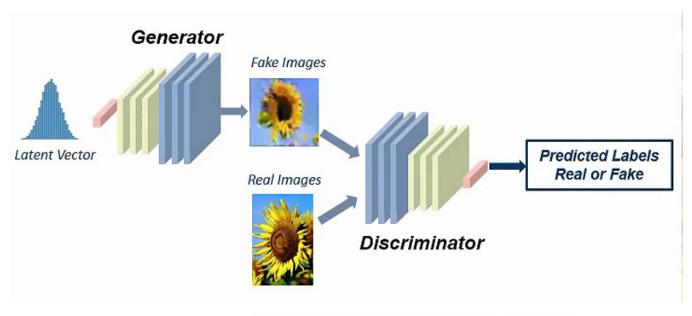
Generated samples  $\sim p_{model}(x)$ 

Want to learn  $p_{model}(x)$  similar to  $p_{data}(x)$ 

#### Generative models



## **GAN**



Discriminator outputs likelihood in (0,1) of real image

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_g} \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_d} \left[ \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim \boldsymbol{p}_{data}} \log \boldsymbol{D}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_d}(\boldsymbol{x}) + \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{z} \sim \boldsymbol{p}(\boldsymbol{z})} \log \left( 1 - \boldsymbol{D}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_d}(\boldsymbol{G}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_g}(\boldsymbol{z})) \right) \right]$$

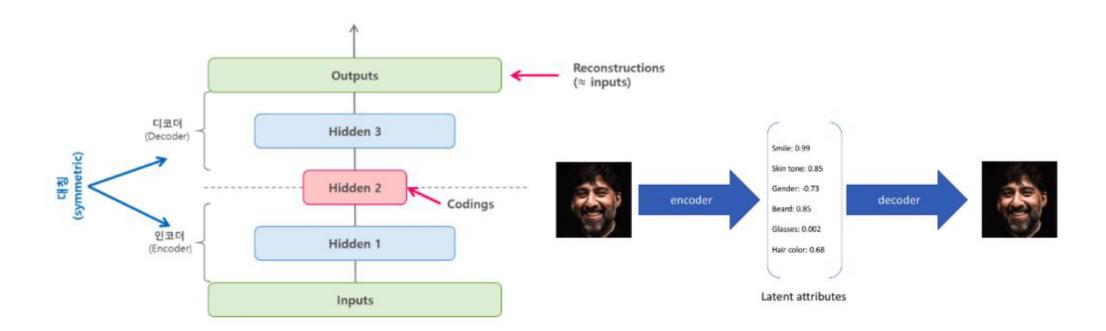
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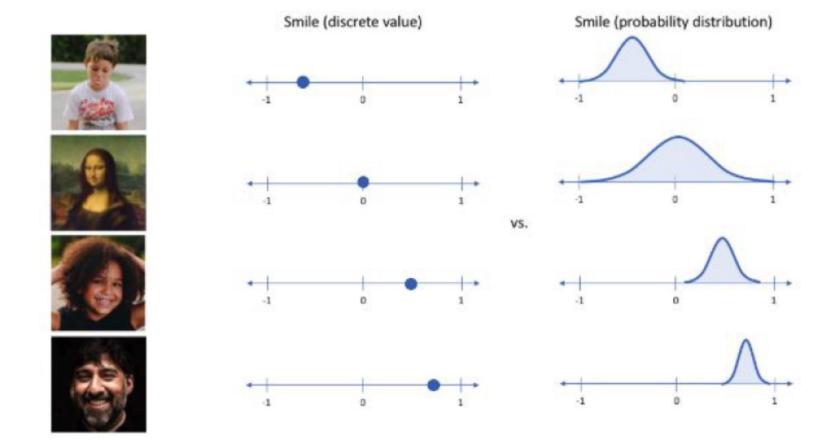
for real data x

for generated fake data G(z)

# AE



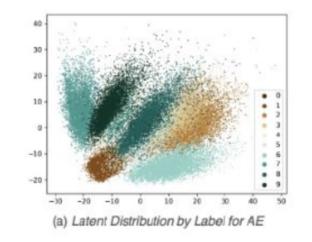
# VAE

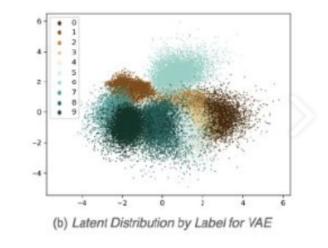


## VAE

- Variational Inference
- KL Divergence
- ELBO

NF: improve function q()



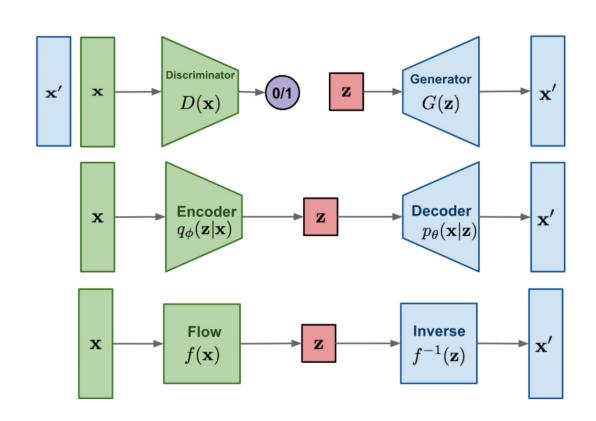


$$ELBO = E_{z \sim q(z|x)} \left[ \log p(x|z) \right] - D_{KL} \left( q(z|x) || p(z|x) \right)$$



#### Generative models

- Generative Adversarial Networks
  - Generate fake image looks real
  - Minmax the classification error loss
- Variational AutoEncoder
  - Approximate data distribution
  - Maximize ELBO
- Flow-based generative models
  - Approximate data distribution
  - Minimize the negative log-likelihood



## Jacobian Matrix

- Jacobian Matrix (MxN)
  - Input vector X (Nx1)
  - Output vector Y (Mx1)
  - Y = f(X)
  - Jacobian Matrix = f'

$$J = \left[ egin{array}{cccc} rac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & rac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \ dots & \ddots & dots \ rac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & rac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \ \end{array} 
ight]$$

# Change of Variable Theorem

The multivariable version has a similar format:

$$\mathbf{z} \sim \pi(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{x} = f(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{z} = f^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$$
  $p(\mathbf{x}) = \pi(\mathbf{z}) \left| \det \frac{d\mathbf{z}}{d\mathbf{x}} \right| = \pi(f^{-1}(\mathbf{x})) \left| \det \frac{df^{-1}}{d\mathbf{x}} \right|$ 

where  $\det \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$  is the Jacobian determinant of the function f. The full proof of the multivariate version is out of the scope of this post; ask Google if interested;)

data space에서의 likelihood 
$$p_X(x) = p_Z \left( f(x) \right) \left| \det \left( \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x^T} \right) \right|$$
  $\log \left( p_X(x) \right) = \log \left( p_Z \left( f(x) \right) \right) + \log \left( \left| \det \left( \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x^T} \right) \right| \right)$ 

# Normalizing Flow

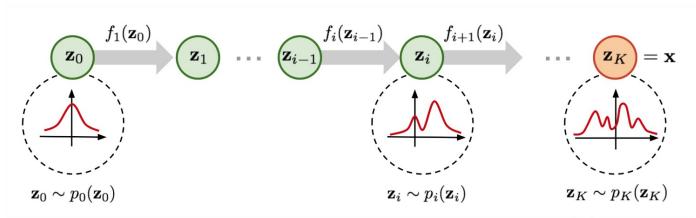
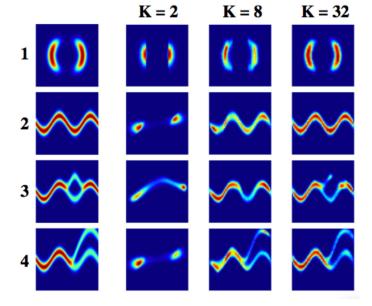
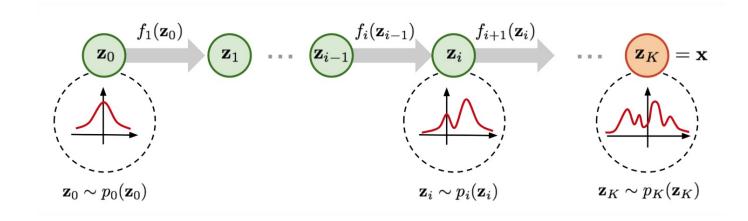


Fig. 2. Illustration of a normalizing flow model, transforming a simple distribution  $p_0(\mathbf{z}_0)$  to a complex one  $p_K(\mathbf{z}_K)$  step by step.



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$$egin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_{i-1} &\sim p_{i-1}(\mathbf{z}_{i-1}) \ \mathbf{z}_i &= f_i(\mathbf{z}_{i-1}), ext{ thus } \mathbf{z}_{i-1} = f_i^{-1}(\mathbf{z}_i) \ p_i(\mathbf{z}_i) &= p_{i-1}(f_i^{-1}(\mathbf{z}_i)) \left| \det rac{df_i^{-1}}{d\mathbf{z}_i} 
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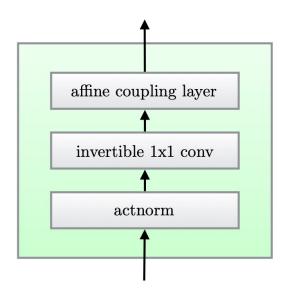
# Normalizing Flow

$$egin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{z}_K = f_K \circ f_{K-1} \circ \cdots \circ f_1(\mathbf{z}_0) \ \log p(\mathbf{x}) &= \log \pi_K(\mathbf{z}_K) = \log \pi_{K-1}(\mathbf{z}_{K-1}) - \log \left| \det rac{df_K}{d\mathbf{z}_{K-1}} 
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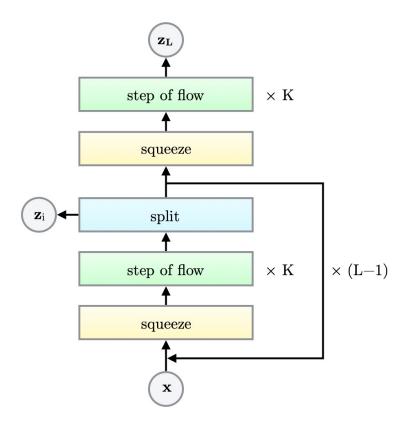
Function f should satisfy two properties:

- 1. It is easily invertible
- 2. Its Jacobian Determinant is easy to compute

- 1. Affine coupling layer
- 2. Invertible 1x1 conv
- 3. actnorm



(a) One step of our flow.



(b) Multi-scale architecture (Dinh et al., 2016).

- Activation normalization (actnorm)
  - Affine transformation using a scale and bias parameter per channel
  - Trainable parameters, but initialized
  - mean = 0, standard deviation = 1

$$\forall i, j : \mathbf{y}_{i,j} = \mathbf{s} \odot \mathbf{x}_{i,j} + \mathbf{b}$$

- Invertible 1x1 conv
  - Ordering of channels is reversed so that all the data dimensions have a change to be altered.

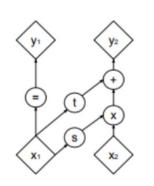
$$\log \left| \det \frac{\partial \text{conv2d}(\mathbf{h}; \mathbf{W})}{\partial \mathbf{h}} \right| = \log(|\det \mathbf{W}|^{h \cdot w}|) = h \cdot w \cdot \log |\det \mathbf{W}|$$

- Affine coupliung layer
  - Same as in RealNVP

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egin{aligned} \mathbf{y}_{1:d} &= \mathbf{x}_{1:d} \ \mathbf{y}_{d+1:D} &= \mathbf{x}_{d+1:D} \odot \exp(s(\mathbf{x}_{1:d})) + t(\mathbf{x}_{1:d}) \end{aligned}
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(a) Forward propagation

(b) Inverse propagation

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{y}_{1:d} &= \mathbf{x}_{1:d} \\ \mathbf{y}_{d+1:D} &= \mathbf{x}_{d+1:D} \odot \exp(s(\mathbf{x}_{1:d})) + t(\mathbf{x}_{1:d}) \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_{1:d} &= \mathbf{y}_{1:d} \\ \mathbf{x}_{d+1:D} &= (\mathbf{y}_{d+1:D} - t(\mathbf{y}_{1:d})) \odot \exp(-s(\mathbf{y}_{1:d})) \end{cases}$$

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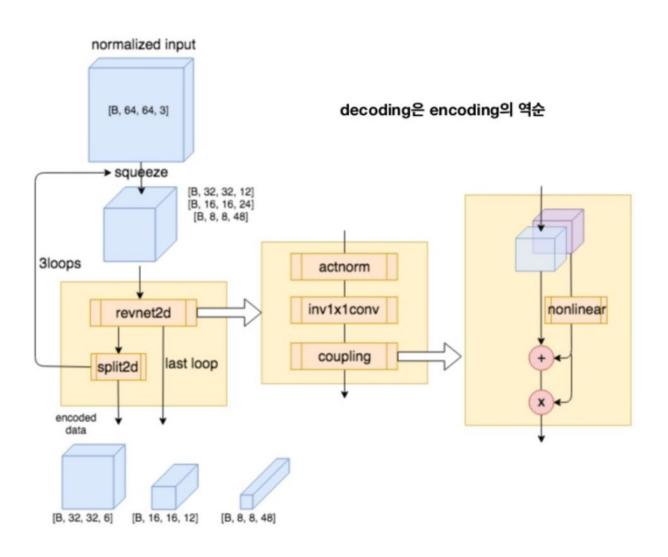
Condition 2: "Its Jacobian determinant is easy to compute."

Yes. It is not hard to get the Jacobian matrix and determinant of this transformation. The Jacobian is a lower triangular matrix.

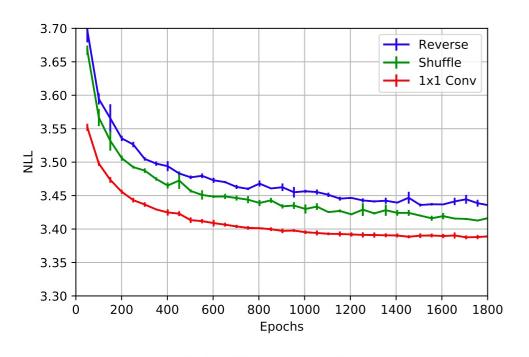
$$\mathbf{J} = egin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I}_d & \mathbf{0}_{d imes(D-d)} \ & \ & \ & \ & \ & \ & rac{\partial \mathbf{y}_{d+1:D}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{1:d}} & \mathrm{diag}(\exp(s(\mathbf{x}_{1:d}))) \end{bmatrix}$$

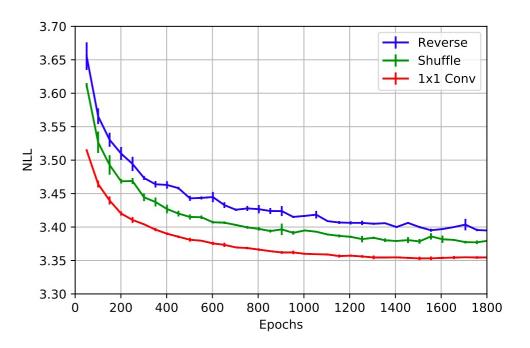
Hence the determinant is simply the product of terms on the diagonal.

$$\det(\mathbf{J}) = \prod_{j=1}^{D-d} \exp(s(\mathbf{x}_{1:d}))_j = \exp(\sum_{j=1}^{D-d} s(\mathbf{x}_{1:d})_j)$$



## Results





(a) Additive coupling.

(b) Affine coupling.

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Figure 5: Linear interpolation in latent space between real images

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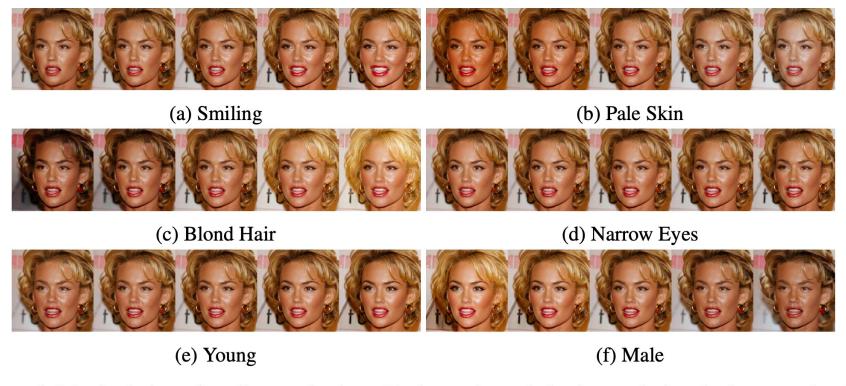


Figure 6: Manipulation of attributes of a face. Each row is made by interpolating the latent code of an image along a vector corresponding to the attribute, with the middle image being the original image

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