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Exact Energy-Guided Sampling

目标是从下面的概率分布中采样

$$p_0(x_0) \propto q_0(x_0)e^{-\beta\mathcal{E}(x_0)}$$

最大的问题是中间阶段采样的Energy Guidance Term如何计算和估计

Exact Formulation of Intermediate Energy Guidance

Theorem 3.1 (Intermediate Energy Guidance). *Suppose q_0 and p_0 are defined as in Eq. (7). For $t \in (0, T]$, let 表示加噪*

$$p_{t0}(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) := q_{t0}(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t|\alpha_t\mathbf{x}_0, \sigma_t^2\mathbf{I}). \quad (8)$$

Denote $q_t(\mathbf{x}_t) := \int q_{t0}(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)q_0(\mathbf{x}_0)d\mathbf{x}_0$ and $p_t(\mathbf{x}_t) := \int p_{t0}(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)p_0(\mathbf{x}_0)d\mathbf{x}_0$ as the marginal distributions at time t , and define

$$\mathcal{E}_t(\mathbf{x}_t) := \begin{cases} \beta\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}_0), & t = 0, \\ -\log \mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_t)} [e^{-\beta\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}_0)}], & t > 0. \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

Then q_t and p_t satisfy

$$p_t(\mathbf{x}_t) \propto q_t(\mathbf{x}_t)e^{-\mathcal{E}_t(\mathbf{x}_t)}, \quad (10)$$

and their score functions satisfy

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}_t) = \underbrace{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q_t(\mathbf{x}_t)}_{\approx -\epsilon_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)/\sigma_t} - \underbrace{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \mathcal{E}_t(\mathbf{x}_t)}_{\text{energy guidance (intractable)}}. \quad (11)$$

只要知道(11)式，就可以做到 p_0 中采样

(11)前一项已由训练好的DPM估计得到，只需要估计后一项，称为Intermediate Energy Guidance

Learning Energy Guidance by Contrastive Energy Prediction

分别从 q_0 和 $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$ 采样 K 个独立样本，再从 $[0, T]$ 均匀采样 t ， $f_\phi(\cdot, t)$ 为Intermediate Energy \mathcal{E}_t 的估计网络

$$\min_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{p(t)} \mathbb{E}_{q_0(\mathbf{x}_0^{(1:K)})} \mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{(1:K)})} \left[- \sum_{i=1}^K \underbrace{e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}_0^{(i)})}}_{\text{soft energy label}} \log \underbrace{\frac{e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(j)}, t)}}}_{\text{predicted label}} \right]. \quad (12)$$

Theorem 3.2. *Given unlimited model capacity and data samples, For all $K > 1$ and $t \in [0, T]$, the optimal f_{ϕ^*} in problem (12) satisfies $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} f_{\phi^*}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \mathcal{E}_t(\mathbf{x}_t)$.*

直观上，为了使得 f_{ϕ} 的梯度与 \mathcal{E}_t 相等，只需要两者为成正比关系即可，因此可以通过学习 K 个样本的相对能量大小来实现

对Energy Label添加正则化来增加数值稳定性

$$\min_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{p(t)} \mathbb{E}_{q_0(\mathbf{x}_0^{(1:K)})} \mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{(1:K)})} \left[- \sum_{i=1}^K \underbrace{\frac{e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}_0^{(i)})}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}_0^{(j)})}}}_{\text{self-normalized energy label}} \log \underbrace{\frac{e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(j)}, t)}}}_{\text{predicted label}} \right]. \quad (13)$$

Comparison with Previous Methods for Guided Sampling

Table 1. Comparison between energy-guided sampling algorithms.

Method	Optimal Solution of Energy	Exact Guidance
CEP (ours)	$-\log \mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_t)} [e^{-\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{x}_0)}]$	✓
MSE	$\mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_t)} [\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{x}_0)]$	✗
DPS	$\mathcal{E}_0 (\mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_t)} [\mathbf{x}_0])$	✗

Previous Energy-Guided Samplers are Inexact

- **MSE for Predicting Energy**

Loss定义为

$$\min_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_t)} \left[\|f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) - \mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{x}_0)\|_2^2 \right]$$

该Loss的最优解为

$$f_{\phi}^{\text{MSE}}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_t)} [\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{x}_0)]$$

与真正的Intermediate Energy不相等

- **Diffusion Posterior Sampling**

Train-free, 复用Data Prediction Formulation

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_t)} [\mathbf{x}_0] \approx \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) := \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sigma_t \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)}{\alpha_t}$$

于是Intermediate Energy Function可由下式估计

$$f_{\theta}^{\text{DPS}}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) := \mathcal{E}_0(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)) \approx \mathcal{E}_0(\mathbb{E}_{q_{0t}(\mathbf{x}_0 | \mathbf{x}_t)} [\mathbf{x}_0])$$

此即Diffusion Planner采用的方案

Relationship with Contrastive Learning and Classifier Guidance

这里取 $\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{x}_0) = -\log q_0(c|\mathbf{x}_0)$, $\beta = 1$, 则有

$$p_0(\mathbf{x}_0) \propto q_0(\mathbf{x}_0)q(c|\mathbf{x}_0) \propto q(\mathbf{x}_0|c)$$

- **Contrastive Learning**

可以证明, 此时(12)等价于下式

$$\mathbb{E}_{t, \epsilon^{(1:K)}} \mathbb{E}_{\prod_{i=1}^K q_0(\mathbf{x}_0^{(i)}, c^{(i)})} \left[-\sum_{i=1}^K \log \frac{e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}, c^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{-f_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_t^{(j)}, c^{(i)}, t)}} \right]$$

此即Contrastive Learning的Loss(注意分母中对所有正负例取和)

GLIDE即用上式训练一个CLIP并用其梯度来指导Text2Image生成

- **Classifier Guidance**

若Label c 是离散值, 一个替代的Conditional Generation方法是Classifier Guidance, 其训练分类器如下

$$\mathbb{E}_{t, \epsilon^{(1:K)}} \mathbb{E}_{\prod_{i=1}^K q_0(\mathbf{x}_0^{(i)}, c^{(i)})} \left[\sum_{i=1}^K \log \frac{e^{-f_\phi(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}, c^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^M e^{-f_\phi(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}, c^{(j)}, t)}} \right]$$

此法无法推广至连续型的Label或Energy-Guided的情形，因此CEP更加一般

Q-Guided Policy Optimization for Offline Reinforcement Learning

Offline RL被表述为受(软)约束策略优化问题

$$\max_{\pi} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{s} \sim D^\mu} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{a} \sim \pi(\cdot|\mathbf{s})} Q_\psi(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}) - \frac{1}{\beta} D_{\text{KL}}(\pi(\cdot|\mathbf{s}) \parallel \mu(\cdot|\mathbf{s})) \right]$$

其中 $\mu(\cdot|\mathbf{s})$ 表示Behavior Policy， Q_ψ 为 π 的Q-Function的估计模型，可以证明，最优策略 π^* 满足

$$\pi^*(\mathbf{a}|\mathbf{s}) \propto \mu(\mathbf{a}|\mathbf{s}) e^{\beta Q_\psi(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a})}$$

Problem Formulation

Behavior Policy $\mu(\cdot|\mathbf{s})$ 为Diffusion Model， $\mathcal{E}_0(s, a) = -\beta Q_\psi(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a})$ 为Guidance Energy，目标是从 π^* 中采样Action

记 π_t, μ_t, a_t 分别为加噪后的 $\pi^* = \pi_0, \mu = \mu_0, a_0$ ，则需要估计的Score Function为

$$\nabla_{a_t} \log \pi_t(a_t|\mathbf{s}) = \underbrace{\nabla_{a_t} \log \mu_t(a_t|\mathbf{s})}_{\approx -\epsilon_\theta(a_t|\mathbf{s}, t)/\sigma_t} + \nabla_{a_t} \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_t(s, a_t)}_{\approx f_\phi(s, a_t, t)}$$

因此，需要训练3个Models：

1. A state-conditioned diffusion model $\epsilon_\theta(a_t|\mathbf{s}, t)/\sigma_t$ to model the behavior policy $\mu(\cdot|\mathbf{s})$
相当于在数据集上用Diffusion Model作模仿学习
2. An action evaluation model $Q_\psi(s, a)$ to define the intermediate energy function \mathcal{E}_0
3. An energy model $f_\phi(s, a_t, t)$ to estimate $\mathcal{E}_t(s, a_t)$

In-Support Contrastive Energy Prediction

假设已有动作值函数的估计 $Q_\psi(s, a)$ ，则 f_ϕ 训练的 CEP Loss 为

$$\min_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{p(t)} \mathbb{E}_{\mu(s)} \mathbb{E}_{\prod_{i=1}^K \mu(a^{(i)}|s)p(\epsilon^{(i)})} \left[- \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{e^{\beta Q_\psi(s, a^{(i)})}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{\beta Q_\psi(s, a^{(j)})}} \log \frac{e^{f_\phi(s, a_t^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{f_\phi(s, a_t^{(j)}, t)}} \right], \quad (19)$$

where $t \sim \mathcal{U}(0, T)$, $a_t = \alpha_t a + \sigma_t \epsilon$ and $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$.

但是 $\mu(a|s)$ 并不能直接从数据集中获取

estimate the objective in problem (19). This is because we require $K > 1$ independent action samples from $\mu(a|s)$ for a single s for contrastive learning, whereas we only have one such action in \mathcal{D}^μ given that s is a continuous variable.

为此，利用训练好的 Behavior Model $\mu_\theta(\cdot|s)$ ，对数据集里的每个状态 s 采样 K 个 Actions $\{\hat{a}^{(i)}\}_K$ 构成 \mathcal{D}^{μ_θ}

于是(19)可由下式估计(MC方法)

$$\min_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t, s, \epsilon} - \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{e^{\beta Q_\psi(s, \hat{a}^{(i)})}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{\beta Q_\psi(s, \hat{a}^{(j)})}} \log \frac{e^{f_\phi(s, \hat{a}_t^{(i)}, t)}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{f_\phi(s, \hat{a}_t^{(j)}, t)}} \quad (20)$$

In-support Softmax Q-Learning

下面描述如何估计动作值函数 $Q_\psi \approx Q^\pi$

一般来说，用 TD(1) (即 SARSA) 来训练

$$\mathcal{T}^\pi Q_\psi(s, a) = r(s, a) + \gamma \mathbb{E}_{s' \sim P(\cdot|s, a), a' \sim \pi(\cdot|s')} Q_\psi(s', a'). \quad (21)$$

但其需要在训练过程中对 π 采样，过于耗时，因此利用 \mathcal{D}^{μ_θ} 和 Importance Sampling 来估计

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{a \sim \pi}[Q(a)] &= \mathbb{E}_{a \sim \mu} \left[\frac{\pi(a)}{\mu(a)} Q(a) \right] \\ &\approx \frac{\sum_a \frac{\pi(a)}{\mu(a)} Q(a)}{\sum_a \frac{\pi(a)}{\mu(a)}}\end{aligned}$$

其中

$$\frac{\pi(a)}{\mu(a)} = e^{\beta Q_\psi(a)}$$

注：以上省略状态 s 以保持简洁

因此，最终的TD(1) Target的估计式为

$$\mathcal{T}^\pi Q_\psi(s, a) \approx r(s, a) + \gamma \frac{\sum_{\hat{a}'} e^{\beta Q_\psi(s', \hat{a}')} Q_\psi(s', \hat{a}')}{\sum_{\hat{a}'} e^{\beta Q_\psi(s', \hat{a}')}}. \quad (22)$$

Summary

1. 从数据集中模仿学习策略 μ_θ
2. 生成In-Support Dataset \mathcal{D}^{μ_θ}
3. 利用In-Support SARSA训练 Q_ψ
4. 利用In-Support CEP训练 f_ϕ
5. 从 π^* 中采样