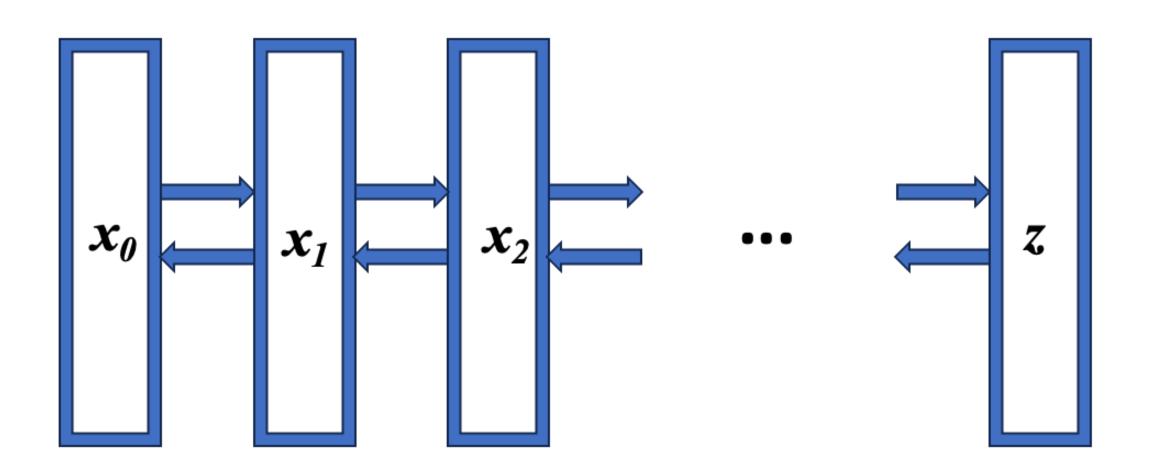
Lecture 2. Diffusion models

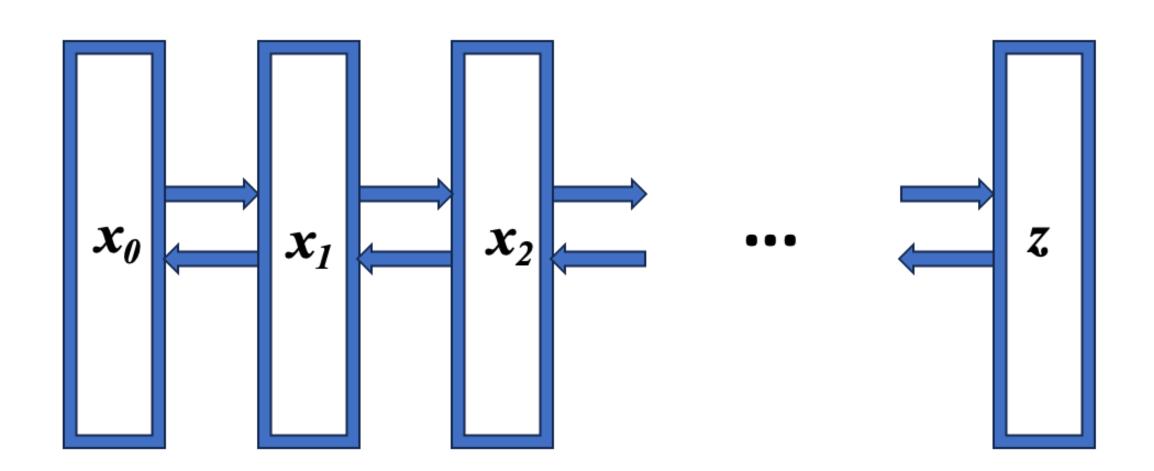
Introduction to Bayesian statistical Learning II

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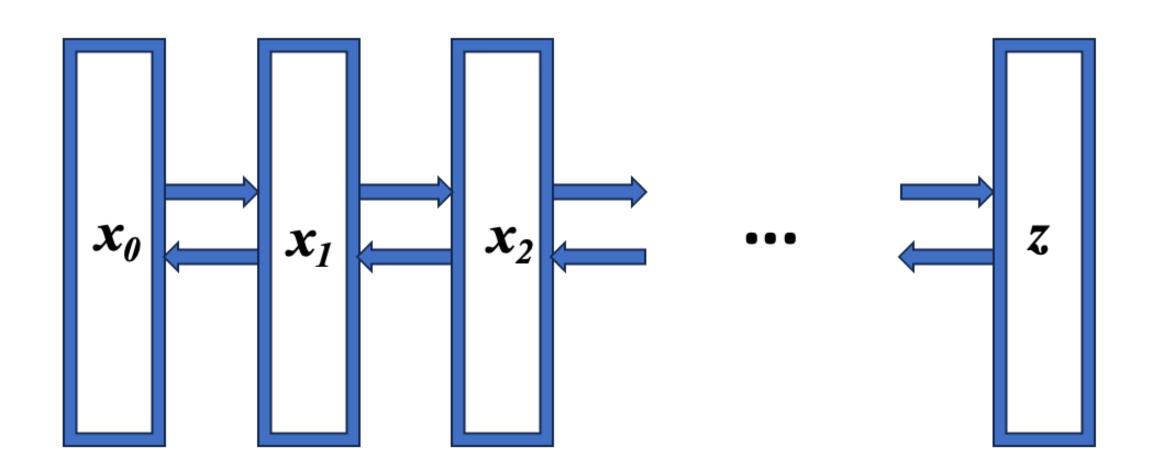
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We can reparametrise it further! —>

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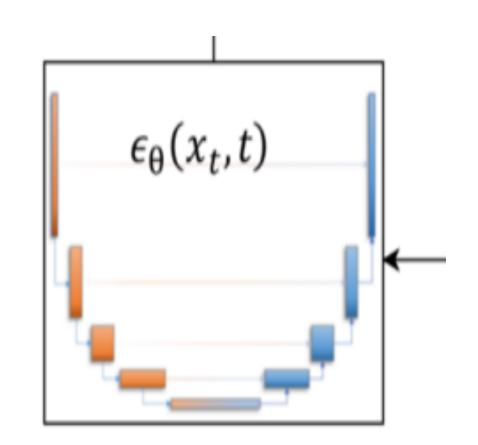
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$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) = \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} w \nabla_{x_t} \log p(y \mid x_t) = \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) + w(\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t))$$

- Unconditional denoising diffusion model $p_{\theta}(x)$, parametrised through a score estimator $\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t,t)$
- Conditional model $p_{\theta}(x \mid y)$ parametrised through $\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y)$
- Conditional model is trained on paired data (x, y)
- Conditional information y gets discarded periodically: $\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t) = \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y = \emptyset)$

$$\begin{split} \nabla_{x_t} \log p(y \mid x_t) &= \nabla_{x_t} \log p(x_t \mid y) - \nabla_{x_t} \log p(x_t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} (\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t)) \\ \bar{\varepsilon}_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) &= \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} w \, \nabla_{x_t} \log p(y \mid x_t) = \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) + w(\varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t)) \\ &= (w + 1) \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t, y) - w \varepsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t) \end{split}$$