

Deep Generative Models

Lecture 10

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Recap of previous lecture

How to evaluate likelihood-free models?

$p(y|x)$ – pretrained image classification model (e.g. ImageNet classifier).

What do we want from samples?

- ▶ Sharpness



$p(y|x)$ has low entropy (each image x should have distinctly recognizable object).

- ▶ Diversity



$p(y) = \int p(y|x)p(x)dx$ has high entropy (there should be as many classes generated as possible).

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Frechet Inception Distance (FID)

In case of Normal distributions $\pi(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_\pi, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\pi)$,
 $p(\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_p, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_p)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{FID}(\pi, p) &= W_2^2(\pi, p) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(\pi, p)} \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \sim \gamma} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 \\ &= \|\boldsymbol{\mu}_\pi - \boldsymbol{\mu}_p\|_2^2 + \text{tr} \left[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\pi + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_p - 2 \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\pi^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_p \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\pi^{1/2} \right)^{1/2} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD)

$\pi(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{y})$ if and only if $\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{y})} f(\mathbf{y})$ for any bounded and continuous f

$$\text{MMD}^2(\pi, p) = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{x}' \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})}} k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') + \mathbb{E}_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \sim p(\mathbf{y}) \\ \mathbf{y}' \sim p(\mathbf{y})}} k(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}') - 2 \mathbb{E}_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{y} \sim p(\mathbf{y})}} k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

Heusel M. et al. *GANs Trained by a Two Time-Scale Update Rule Converge to a Local Nash Equilibrium*, 2017

Jayasumana S. et al. *Rethinking FID: Towards a Better Evaluation Metric for Image Generation*, 2024

Recap of previous lecture

- ▶ $\mathcal{S}_\pi = \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$ – real samples;
- ▶ $\mathcal{S}_p = \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$ – generated samples.

Embed samples using pretrained classifier network (as previously):

$$\mathcal{G}_\pi = \{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^n, \quad \mathcal{G}_p = \{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^n.$$

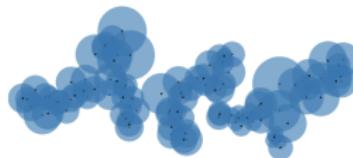
Define binary function:

$$f(\mathbf{g}, \mathcal{G}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if exists } \mathbf{g}' \in \mathcal{G} : \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{g}'\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{g}' - \text{NN}_k(\mathbf{g}', \mathcal{G})\|_2; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Precision}(\mathcal{G}_\pi, \mathcal{G}_p) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\mathbf{g} \in \mathcal{G}_p} f(\mathbf{g}, \mathcal{G}_\pi); \quad \text{Recall}(\mathcal{G}_\pi, \mathcal{G}_p) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\mathbf{g} \in \mathcal{G}_\pi} f(\mathbf{g}, \mathcal{G}_p).$$



(a) True manifold



(b) Approx. manifold

Recap of previous lecture

Langevin dynamic

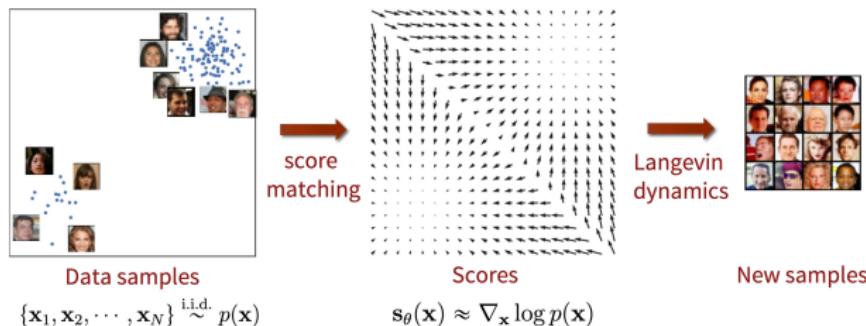
$$\mathbf{x}_{I+1} = \mathbf{x}_I + \frac{\eta}{2} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_I} \log p(\mathbf{x}_I | \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \sqrt{\eta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).$$

Fisher divergence

$$D_F(\pi, p) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_\pi \| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \pi(\mathbf{x}) \|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

Score function

$$\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\theta})$$



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Denoising score matching

Let perturb original data $\mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$ by random normal noise

$$\mathbf{x}_\sigma = \mathbf{x} + \sigma \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma | \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma^2 \cdot \mathbf{I})$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) = \int q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma | \mathbf{x}) \pi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Assumption

The solution of

$$\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x}_\sigma | \sigma)} \| \mathbf{s}_{\theta, \sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

satisfies $\mathbf{s}_{\theta, \sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \approx \mathbf{s}_{\theta, 0}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x})$ if σ is small enough.

- ▶ $\mathbf{s}_{\theta, \sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)$ tries to **denoise** a corrupted sample \mathbf{x}_σ .
- ▶ Score function $\mathbf{s}_{\theta, \sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)$ parametrized by σ .
- ▶ **Problem:** We don't know $q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)$, just like $\pi(\mathbf{x})$.

Denoising score matching

Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} \underbrace{\left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \right\|_2^2}_{h(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} &= \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})} \left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x}) \right\|_2^2 + \text{const}(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} h(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) &= \int q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) h(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) d\mathbf{x}_\sigma = \\ &= \int \left(\int q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x}) \pi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right) h(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) d\mathbf{x}_\sigma = \mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})} h(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) d\mathbf{x}_\sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} \left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \right\|_2^2 &= \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} \left[\left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \right\|^2 + \underbrace{\left\| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \right\|_2^2}_{\text{const}(\theta)} - 2 \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Denoising score matching

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Proof (continued)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} [\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)] &= \int q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \left[\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \frac{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)}{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)} \right] d\mathbf{x}_\sigma = \\ &= \int \left[\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \left(\int q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x}) \pi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right) \right] d\mathbf{x}_\sigma = \\ &= \int \int \pi(\mathbf{x}) [\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})] d\mathbf{x}_\sigma d\mathbf{x} = \\ &= \int \int \pi(\mathbf{x}) q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x}) [\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})] d\mathbf{x}_\sigma d\mathbf{x} = \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})} [\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}^T(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x})]\end{aligned}$$

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Gradient of the noise kernel

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma|\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) = -\frac{\mathbf{x}_\sigma - \mathbf{x}}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\sigma}$$

The RHS does not need to compute $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)$ and even $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log \pi(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)$.

Denoising score matching

Initial objective:

$$\mathbb{E}_\pi \|\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \pi(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

Noised objective:

$$\mathbb{E}_\pi \|\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma)\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

This is equivalent to denoising task

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma | \mathbf{x})} \|\mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_\sigma) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\sigma} \log q(\mathbf{x}_\sigma | \mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})} \left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\sigma}(\mathbf{x} + \sigma \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) + \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\sigma} \right\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

Langevin dynamic

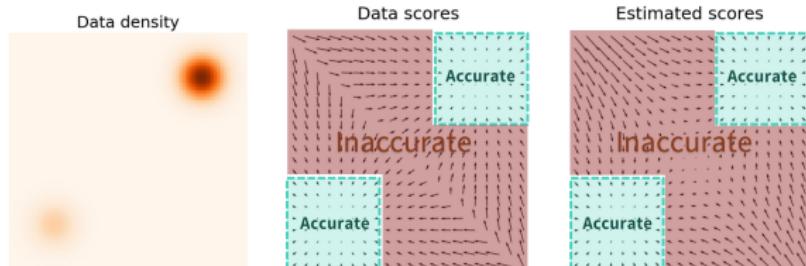
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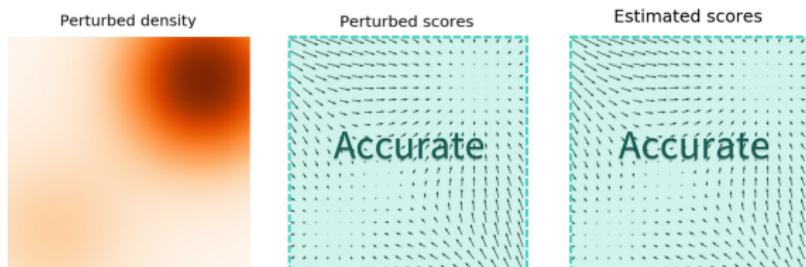
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Denoising score matching

- If σ is **small**, the score function is not accurate and Langevin dynamics will probably fail to jump between modes.



- If σ is **large**, it is good for low-density regions and multimodal distributions, but we will learn too corrupted distribution.

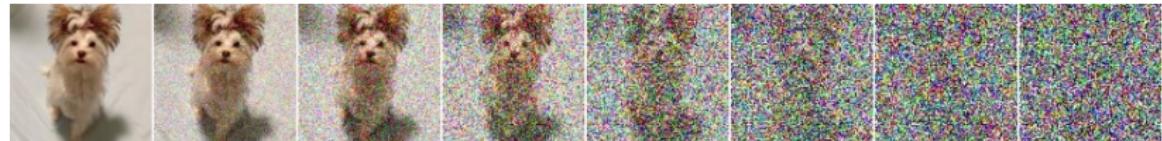
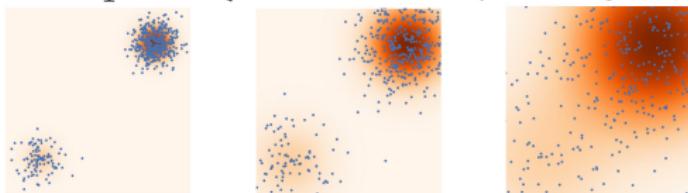


Noise Conditioned Score Network (NCSN)

- ▶ Define the sequence of the noise levels: $\sigma_1 < \sigma_2 < \dots < \sigma_T$.
- ▶ Perturb the original data with the different noise levels to obtain $\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x} + \sigma_t \cdot \epsilon$, $\mathbf{x}_t \sim q(\mathbf{x}_t)$.
- ▶ Choose σ_1, σ_T such that:

$$q(\mathbf{x}_1) \approx \pi(\mathbf{x}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_T) \approx \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_T^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}).$$

$$\sigma_1 \quad < \quad \sigma_2 \quad < \quad \sigma_3$$



Noise Conditioned Score Network (NCSN)

Train the denoising score function $s_{\theta, \sigma_t}(\mathbf{x}_t)$ for each noise level using unified weighted objective:

$$\sum_{t=1}^T \sigma_t^2 \mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x})} \| s_{\theta, \sigma_t}(\mathbf{x}_t) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}) \|_2^2 \rightarrow \min_{\theta}$$

Here $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}}{\sigma_t^2} = -\frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\sigma_t}$.

Training

1. Get the sample $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$.
2. Sample noise level $t \sim U\{1, T\}$ and the noise $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$.
3. Get noisy image $\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_0 + \sigma_t \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$.
4. Compute loss $\mathcal{L} = \| s_{\theta, \sigma_t}(\mathbf{x}_t) + \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\sigma_t} \|_2^2$.

How to sample from this model?

Noise Conditioned Score Network (NCSN)

Sampling (annealed Langevin dynamics)

- ▶ Sample $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_T^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}) \approx q(\mathbf{x}_T)$.
- ▶ Apply L steps of Langevin dynamic

$$\mathbf{x}_l = \mathbf{x}_{l-1} + \frac{\eta_t}{2} \cdot \mathbf{s}_{\theta, \sigma_t}(\mathbf{x}_{l-1}) + \sqrt{\eta_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_l.$$

- ▶ Update $\mathbf{x}_0 := \mathbf{x}_L$ and choose the next σ_t .



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Forward gaussian diffusion process

Let $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$, $\beta_t \in (0, 1)$. Define the Markov chain

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\beta_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \text{where } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}); \\ q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) &= \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \cdot \mathbf{I}).\end{aligned}$$

Statement 1

Let denote $\alpha_t = 1 - \beta_t$ and $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{s=1}^t \alpha_s = \prod_{s=1}^t (1 - \beta_s)$. Then

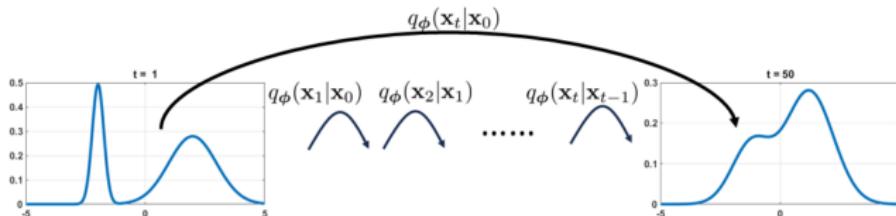
$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \cdot \mathbf{I})$$

We are able to sample from any timestamp using only \mathbf{x}_0 !

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t = \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} (\cdot \sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t = \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + (\sqrt{\alpha_t (1 - \alpha_{t-1})} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t) = \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1} \alpha_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}'_t = \\ &= \cdots = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \text{where } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).\end{aligned}$$

Forward gaussian diffusion process

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N} \left(\sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I} \right); \quad q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N} \left(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I} \right).$$



Statement 2

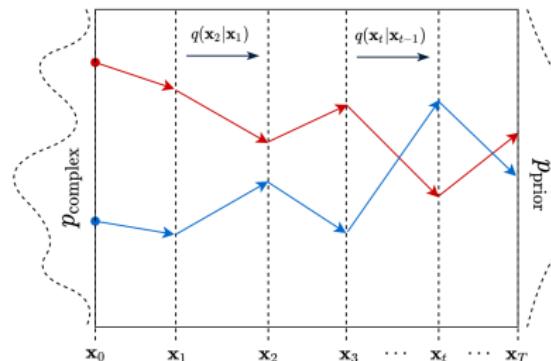
Applying the Markov chain to samples from any $\pi(\mathbf{x})$ we will get $\mathbf{x}_\infty \sim p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$. Here $p_\infty(\mathbf{x})$ is a **stationary** and **limiting** distribution:

$$p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \int q(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{x}') p_\infty(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}'.$$

$$p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \int q(\mathbf{x}_\infty | \mathbf{x}_0) \pi(\mathbf{x}_0) d\mathbf{x}_0 \approx \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}) \int \pi(\mathbf{x}_0) d\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$$

Forward gaussian diffusion process

Diffusion refers to the flow of particles from high-density regions towards low-density regions.



1. $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x});$
2. $\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\beta_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$, where $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$, $t \geq 1$;
3. $\mathbf{x}_T \sim p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$, where $T \gg 1$.

If we are able to invert this process, we will get the way to sample $\mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$ using noise samples $p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$.

Now our goal is to revert this process.

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NCSN

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0, \sigma_t^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_1) \approx \pi(\mathbf{x}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_T) \approx \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_T^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}).$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}) = -\frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}}{\sigma_t^2}$$

Gaussian diffusion

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \cdot \mathbf{I}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_1) \approx \pi(\mathbf{x}), \quad q(\mathbf{x}_T) \approx \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = -\frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}$$

Theorem (denoising score matching)

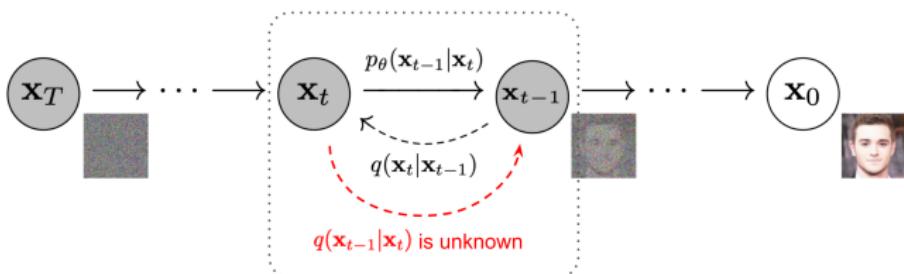
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Note: We are able to apply NCSN approach with annealed Langevin dynamics to get diffusion denoising model.

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Forward process

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \cdot \mathbf{I}\right).$$

Reverse process

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{q(\mathbf{x}_t)} \approx p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \theta)$$

$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$, $q(\mathbf{x}_t)$ are intractable:

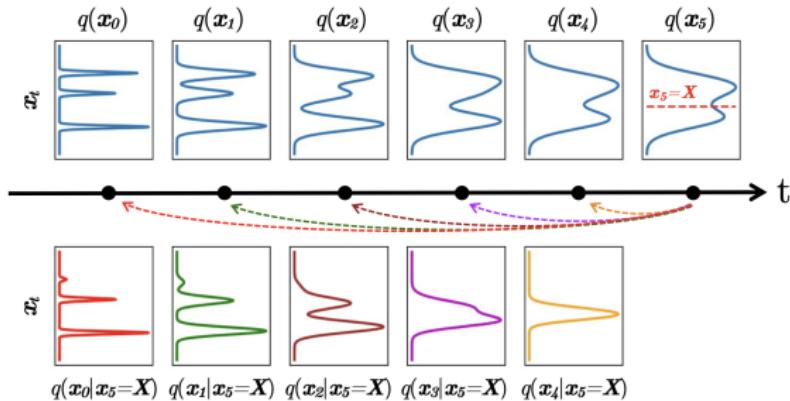
$$q(\mathbf{x}_t) = \int q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)\pi(\mathbf{x}_0)d\mathbf{x}_0$$

Reverse gaussian diffusion process

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

Theorem (Feller, 1949)

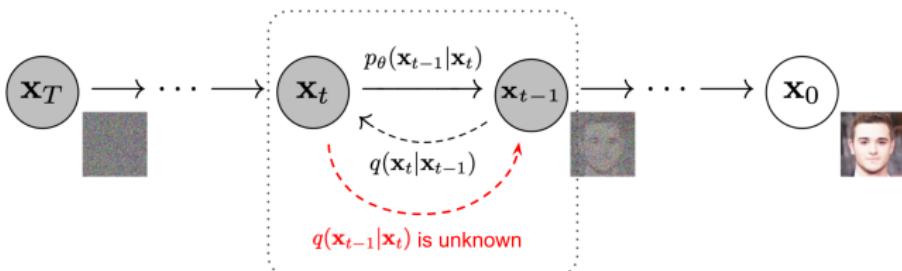
If β_t is small enough, $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ will be Gaussian (that is why diffusion needs $T \approx 1000$ steps to converge).



Feller W. On the theory of stochastic processes, with particular reference to applications, 1949

Xiao Z., Kreis K., Vahdat A. Tackling the generative learning trilemma with denoising diffusion GANs, 2021

Reverse gaussian diffusion process



Let define the reverse process:

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) \approx p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \theta) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \sigma_\theta^2(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

Feller theorem shows that it is a reasonable assumption.

Forward process

$$1. \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x});$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\beta_t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}; \quad 2. \quad \mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \sigma_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \mu_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t);$$

$$3. \quad \mathbf{x}_T \sim p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).$$

Reverse process

$$1. \quad \mathbf{x}_T \sim p_\infty(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I});$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \sigma_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \mu_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t);$$

$$3. \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x});$$

Note: The forward process does not have any learnable parameters!

Summary

- ▶ Denoising score matching minimizes Fisher divergence on noisy samples. It allows to estimate Fisher divergence using samples.
- ▶ Noise conditioned score network uses multiple noise levels and annealed Langevin dynamics to fit score function and sample from the model.
- ▶ Gaussian diffusion process is a Markov chain that injects special form of Gaussian noise to the samples.
- ▶ Reverse process allows to sample from the real distribution $\pi(\mathbf{x})$ using samples from noise, but it is intractable.
- ▶ We will use approximation to get the reverse process.