Deep Generative Models

Lecture 12

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Continuous-in-time dynamics

Consider Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE)

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} = \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}(t), t);$$
 with initial condition $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$.

$$\mathbf{x}(1) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{f}_{m{ heta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) dt + \mathbf{x}_0$$

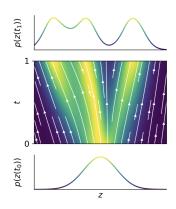
Here $\mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}: \mathbb{R}^m \times [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is a vector field.

Euler update step

$$\mathbf{x}(t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{x}(t) + \Delta t \cdot \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)$$

- ► Euler method is the simplest version of the ODESolve that is unstable in practice.
- ▶ It is possible to use more sophisticated numerical methods instead if Euler (e.x. Runge-Kutta methods).

- ▶ $\mathbf{x}(0) \sim p(\mathbf{x}(0))$.
- ▶ $x(1) \sim p(x(1))$.
- $p_t(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is the **probability** path between $p_0(\mathbf{x})$ and $p_1(\mathbf{x})$.
- $p_0(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$ is the base distribution and $p_1(\mathbf{x}) = \pi(\mathbf{x})$ is the data distribution.



Theorem (Picard)

If f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in x and continuous in t, then the ODE has a **unique** solution.

$$\mathbf{x}(1) = \mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^1 \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) dt; \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}(1) + \int_1^0 \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) dt$$

Grathwohl W. et al. FFJORD: Free-form Continuous Dynamics for Scalable Reversible Generative Models. 2018

Theorem (continuity equation)

If f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in x and continuous in t, then

$$\frac{d \log p_t(\mathbf{x}(t))}{dt} = -\text{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}\right)$$
$$\log p_1(\mathbf{x}(1)) = \log p_0(\mathbf{x}(0)) - \int_0^1 \text{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}\right) dt.$$

- **Discrete-in-time NF**: evaluation of determinant of the Jacobian costs $O(m^3)$ (we need invertible \mathbf{f}).
- ▶ Continuous-in-time NF: getting the trace of the Jacobian costs $O(m^2)$ (we need smooth \mathbf{f}).

Hutchinson's trace estimator

$$\log p_1(\mathbf{x}(1)) = \log p_0(\mathbf{x}(0)) - \mathbb{E}_{p(\epsilon)} \int_0^1 \left[\epsilon^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \epsilon \right] dt.$$

Forward pass (Loss function)

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = -\log p_1(\mathbf{x}(1)|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\log p_0(\mathbf{x}(0)) + \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t),t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}\right) dt$$

Adjoint functions

$$\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}; \quad \mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)}.$$

Theorem (Pontryagin)

$$\begin{split} \frac{d\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)}{dt} &= -\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}}; \quad \frac{d\mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}. \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(0)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(0) = -\int_{1}^{0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)} dt + 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(0)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(0) = -\int_{1}^{0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(1)} \end{split}$$

Forward pass

$$\mathbf{x}(1) = \mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^1 \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathsf{ODE} \; \mathsf{Solver}$$

Backward pass

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(0)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(0) = -\int_{1}^{0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t),t)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)} dt + 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(0)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(0) = -\int_{1}^{0} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}}(t)^{T} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t),t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(1)} \\ \mathbf{x}(0) &= -\int_{0}^{1} \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t),t) dt + \mathbf{x}(1). \end{split} \right\} \Rightarrow \mathsf{ODE} \; \mathsf{Solver}$$

Note: These scary formulas are the standard backprop in the discrete case.

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Let define stochastic process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ with initial condition $\mathbf{x}(0) \sim p_0(\mathbf{x}) = \pi(\mathbf{x})$:

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

- ▶ $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t): \mathbb{R}^m \times [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is the **drift** function of $\mathbf{x}(t)$.
- ▶ $g(t) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is the **diffusion** function of $\mathbf{x}(t)$.
- $\mathbf{w}(t)$ is the standard Wiener process (Brownian motion):
 - 1. $\mathbf{w}(0) = 0$ (almost surely);
 - 2. $\mathbf{w}(t)$ has independent increments;
 - 3. $\mathbf{w}(t) \mathbf{w}(s) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, (t-s)\mathbf{I})$, for t > s.
- $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}(t + dt) \mathbf{w}(t) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{l} \cdot dt) = \epsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}$, where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{l})$.
- ▶ If g(t) = 0 we get standard ODE.

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

- ▶ In contrast to ODE, initial condition x(0) does not uniquely determine the process trajectory.
- ▶ We have two sources of randomness: initial distribution $p_0(\mathbf{x})$ and Wiener process $\mathbf{w}(t)$.

Discretization of SDE (Euler method)

$$\mathbf{x}(t+dt) = \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t),t) \cdot dt + g(t) \cdot \epsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}$$

If dt = 1, then

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) + g(t) \cdot \epsilon$$

- At each moment t we have the density $p_t(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x}, t)$.
- $p: \mathbb{R}^m \times [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}_+$ is a **probability path** between $p_0(\mathbf{x})$ and $p_1(\mathbf{x})$.
- ▶ How to get the distribution path $p_t(\mathbf{x})$ for $\mathbf{x}(t)$?

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}, \quad d\mathbf{w} = \epsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}, \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).$$

Theorem (Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck)

Evolution of the distribution $p_t(\mathbf{x})$ is given by the following equation:

$$\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)p_t(\mathbf{x})) + \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\Delta_{\mathbf{x}}p_t(\mathbf{x})$$

Here

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{\partial v_i(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_i} = \operatorname{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right)$$

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} p_t(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial^2 p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_i^2} = \operatorname{tr}\left(\frac{\partial^2 p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = \operatorname{tr}\left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)p_t(\mathbf{x})\right] + \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\frac{\partial^2 p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2}\right)$$

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- KFP theorem does not define the SDE uniquely in general case.
- ► This is the generalization of continuity equation that we used in continuous-in-time NF:

$$\frac{d \log p_t(\mathbf{x}(t))}{dt} = -\operatorname{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right).$$

Langevin SDE (special case)

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$
$$d\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})dt + 1 \cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

Let apply KFP theorem to this SDE.

Langevin SDE (special case)

$$d\mathbf{x} = rac{1}{2} rac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) dt + 1 \cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} &= \mathsf{tr} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left[p_t(\mathbf{x}) \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \right) = \\ &= \mathsf{tr} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \right) = 0 \end{split}$$

The density $p_t(\mathbf{x}) = \text{const}(t)$! If $\mathbf{x}(0) \sim p_0(\mathbf{x})$, then $\mathbf{x}(t) \sim p_0(\mathbf{x})$.

Discretized Langevin SDE

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} - \mathbf{x}_t = \frac{\eta}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) + \sqrt{\eta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \eta \approx dt.$$

Langevin dynamic

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\eta}{2} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \sqrt{\eta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \eta \approx dt.$$

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ODE and continuity equation

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt$$

$$\frac{d \log p_t(\mathbf{x}(t))}{dt} = -\text{tr}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x},t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = -\text{div}\left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)$$

The only source of stochasticity is the distibution $p_0(\mathbf{x})$.

SDE and KFP equation

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

$$\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)p_t(\mathbf{x})) + \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\Delta_{\mathbf{x}}p_t(\mathbf{x})$$

We have two sources of randomness: initial distribution $p_0(\mathbf{x})$ and Wiener process $\mathbf{w}(t)$.

Theorem

Assume SDE $d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$ induces the probability path $p_t(\mathbf{x})$. Then there exists ODE with identical probability path $p_t(\mathbf{x})$ of the form

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{2}g^{2}(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_{t}(\mathbf{x})\right)dt$$

Proof

$$\frac{\partial p_{t}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = \operatorname{tr}\left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)p_{t}(\mathbf{x})\right] + \frac{1}{2}g^{2}(t)\frac{\partial^{2}p_{t}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}^{2}}\right) =
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Proof (continued)

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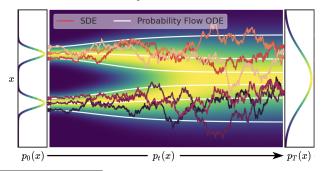
$$d\mathbf{x} = \tilde{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + 0 \cdot d\mathbf{w} = \left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt$$

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$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w} - \mathsf{SDE}$$

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{2}g^2(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt - \mathsf{probability flow ODE}$$

- ▶ The term $\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})$ is a score function for continuous time.
- ODE has more stable trajectories.



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$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt, \quad \mathbf{x}(t + dt) = \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt$$

Here dt could be > 0 or < 0.

Reverse ODE

Let $\tau = 1 - t$ ($d\tau = -dt$).

$$d\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, 1 - \tau)d\tau$$

- ► How to revert SDE $d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$?
- Wiener process gives the randomness that we have to revert.

Theorem

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with dt < 0.

Note: Here we also see the score function $\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})$.

Sketch of the proof

- Convert initial SDE to probability flow ODE.
- Revert probability flow ODE.
- Convert reverse probability flow ODE to reverse SDE.

Proof

► Convert initial SDE to probability flow ODE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$
$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{2}g^{2}(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_{t}(\mathbf{x})\right)dt$$

Revert probability flow ODE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{2}g^{2}(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_{t}(\mathbf{x})\right)dt$$

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, 1 - \tau) + \frac{1}{2}g^{2}(1 - \tau)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_{1 - \tau}(\mathbf{x})\right)d\tau$$

Convert reverse probability flow ODE to reverse SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, 1 - \tau) + \frac{1}{2}g^2(1 - \tau)\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_{1 - \tau}(\mathbf{x})\right)d\tau$$
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with dt < 0.

Proof (continued)

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Here $d\tau > 0$ and dt < 0.

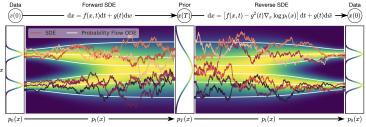
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- We got the way to transform one distribution to another via SDE with some probability path $p_t(\mathbf{x})$.
- We are able to revert this process with the score function.



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Score matching SDE

Denoising score matching

$$\mathbf{x}_{t} = \mathbf{x} + \sigma_{t} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t}, \qquad q(\mathbf{x}_{t}|\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma_{t}^{2} \cdot \mathbf{I})$$
 $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \mathbf{x} + \sigma_{t-1} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}, \qquad q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma_{t-1}^{2} \cdot \mathbf{I})$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\sigma_t^2 - \sigma_{t-1}^2 \cdot \epsilon}, \quad q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, (\sigma_t^2 - \sigma_{t-1}^2) \cdot \mathbf{I})$$

Let turn this Markov chain to the continuous stochastic process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ taking $T \to \infty$:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\sigma^{2}(t) - \sigma^{2}(t - dt)} \cdot \epsilon$$

$$= \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{2}(t) - \sigma^{2}(t - dt)}{dt}} dt \cdot \epsilon$$

$$= \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^{2}(t)]}{dt}} \cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

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Score matching SDE

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}} \cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

Variance Exploding SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}} \cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

 $\sigma(t)$ is a monotonically increasing function.

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}, \quad \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \quad g(t) = \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}}$$

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt$$
 - probability flow ODE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt + \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}}d\mathbf{w} - \text{reverse SDE}$$

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Diffusion SDE

Denoising Diffusion

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{\beta_t} \cdot \epsilon, \quad q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \cdot \mathbf{I})$$

Let turn this Markov chain to the continuous stochastic process taking $T \to \infty$ and taking $\beta(\frac{t}{T}) = \beta_t \cdot T$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{x}(t) &= \sqrt{1 - \beta(t)dt} \cdot \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\beta(t)dt} \cdot \epsilon \approx \\ &\approx (1 - \frac{1}{2}\beta(t)dt) \cdot \mathbf{x}(t - dt) + \sqrt{\beta(t)dt} \cdot \epsilon = \\ &= \mathbf{x}(t - dt) - \frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}(t - dt)dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)} \cdot d\mathbf{w} \end{split}$$

Variance Preserving SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}(t)dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)}\cdot d\mathbf{w}$$

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Diffusion SDE

Variance Preserving SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = -rac{1}{2}eta(t)\mathbf{x}(t)dt + \sqrt{eta(t)}\cdot d\mathbf{w}$$
 $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t) = -rac{1}{2}eta(t)\mathbf{x}(t), \quad g(t) = \sqrt{eta(t)}$

Variance is preserved if $\mathbf{x}(0)$ has a unit variance.

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}(t) - \frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial\mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt - \text{probability flow ODE}$$

$$d\mathbf{x} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}(t) - \beta(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial\mathbf{x}}\log p_t(\mathbf{x})\right)dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)}d\mathbf{w} - \text{reverse SDE}$$

Diffusion SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$$

Variance Exploding SDE (NCSN)

$$d\mathbf{x} = \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}} \cdot d\mathbf{w}, \quad \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \quad g(t) = \sqrt{\frac{d[\sigma^2(t)]}{dt}}$$

Variance Preserving SDE (DDPM)

$$d\mathbf{x} = -rac{1}{2}eta(t)\mathbf{x}(t)dt + \sqrt{eta(t)}\cdot d\mathbf{w}$$
 $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t) = -rac{1}{2}eta(t)\mathbf{x}(t), \quad g(t) = \sqrt{eta(t)}$

Is it possible to train score-based generative model (DDPM or NCSN) in continuous time?

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Outline

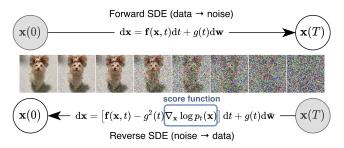
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- 5. Score-based generative models through SDEs

Discrete-in-time objective

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x}_0)} \mathbb{E}_{t \sim U\{1,T\}} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)} \big\| \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta},t}(\mathbf{x}_t) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0) \big\|_2^2$$

Continuous-in-time objective

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x}(0))} \mathbb{E}_{t \sim U[0,1]} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0))} \left\| \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}(t),t) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}(t)} \log q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) \right\|_{2}^{2}$$



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$$q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) = \mathcal{N}\Big(\boldsymbol{\mu}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0)),\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))\Big)$$

Theorem

Moments of the SDE $d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$ satisfies the equations

$$\frac{d\mu(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))}{dt} = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t),t)|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{\Sigma}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))}{dt} = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}\cdot(\mathbf{x}(t)-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T + (\mathbf{x}(t)-\boldsymbol{\mu})\cdot\mathbf{f}^T|\mathbf{x}(0)\right] + g^2(t)\cdot\mathbf{I}$$

Let prove the first one.

Theorem

$$\frac{d\mu(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))}{dt} = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t),t)|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]$$

Proof

$$\mathbb{E}\left[d\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{x}(0)\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)dt|\mathbf{x}(0)\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[g(t)d\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]dt + g(t)\mathbb{E}\left[d\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]dt$$

$$\frac{d\mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]}{dt} = \frac{d\boldsymbol{\mu}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))}{dt} = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t)|\mathbf{x}(0)\right]$$

Examples

NCSN:
$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = \mathbf{x}(0)$$

DDPM:
$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t) = -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}(t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu = \mathbf{x}(0)\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\int_0^t \beta(s)ds\right)$$

Training

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi(\mathbf{x}(0))} \mathbb{E}_{t \sim U[0,1]} \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0))} \big\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}(t),t) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}(t)} \log q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) \big\|_2^2$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) = \mathcal{N}\Big(\boldsymbol{\mu}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0)), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{x}(t),\mathbf{x}(0))\Big)$$

NCSN

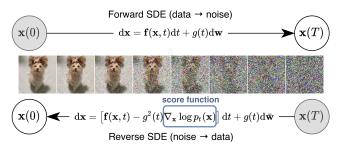
$$q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}(0), \lceil \sigma^2(t) - \sigma^2(0) \rceil \cdot \mathbf{I})$$

DDPM

$$q(\mathbf{x}(t)|\mathbf{x}(0)) = \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{x}(0)e^{-rac{1}{2}\int_0^t eta(s)ds}, \left(1-e^{-\int_0^t eta(s)ds}
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Sampling

Solve reverse SDE using numerical solvers (ODESolve).



- Discretization of the reverse SDE gives us the ancestral sampling.
- ▶ If we use probability flow instead of SDE than the reverse ODE gives us the DDIM sampling.

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Summary

- SDE defines a stochastic process with drift and diffusion terms. ODEs are the special case of SDEs.
- KFP equation defines the dynamic of the probability function for the SDE.
- Langevin SDE has constant probability path.
- ► There exists special probability flow ODE for each SDE that gives the same probability path.
- It is possible to revert SDE using the score function.
- Score matching (NCSN) and diffusion models (DDPM) are the discretizations of the SDEs (variance exploding and variance preserving).
- ▶ It is possible to train the continuous-in-time score-based generative models through forward and reverse SDEs.