

# Video prediction and image generation using dynamical modeling

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# 1. Neural ODEs

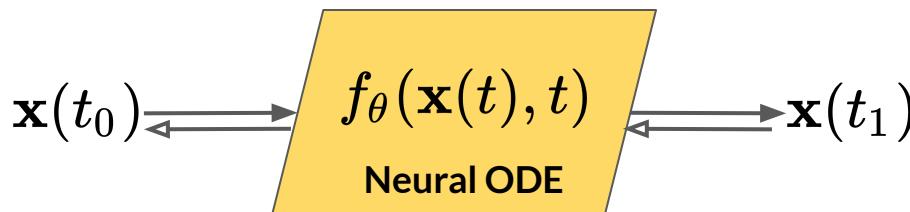
Initial value problem:

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f_{\theta}(x(t), t); \quad x(t_0) \text{ is given; } x(t_1) = ?$$

**$f_{\theta}$  is a neural network!**

Solution:

$$(x(t_1), x(t_2), \dots, x(t_n)) = \text{ODESolve}(f_{\theta}(x(t), t), x(t_0), t_0, (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n))$$



Neural ODEs are **reversible** models!

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.07366>

# 1. Neural ODEs



Adjoint method (Pontryagin et al., 1962)

Forward propagation:

$$\mathbf{x}(t_1) = \text{ODESolve}(f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t), \mathbf{x}(t_0), t_0, t_1)$$

Compute  $L(\mathbf{x}(t_1))$ .

$$\mathbf{a}(t_1) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t_1)}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{a}}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}(t)^\top \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}(t), t, \theta)}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

Back-propagation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t_0)} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix} = \text{ODESolve} \left( \begin{bmatrix} f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t) \\ -\mathbf{a}(t)^\top \frac{\partial f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \\ -\mathbf{a}(t)^\top \frac{\partial f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t)}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t_1) \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t_1)} \\ \mathbf{0}_{|\theta|} \end{bmatrix}, t_1, t_0 \right)$$

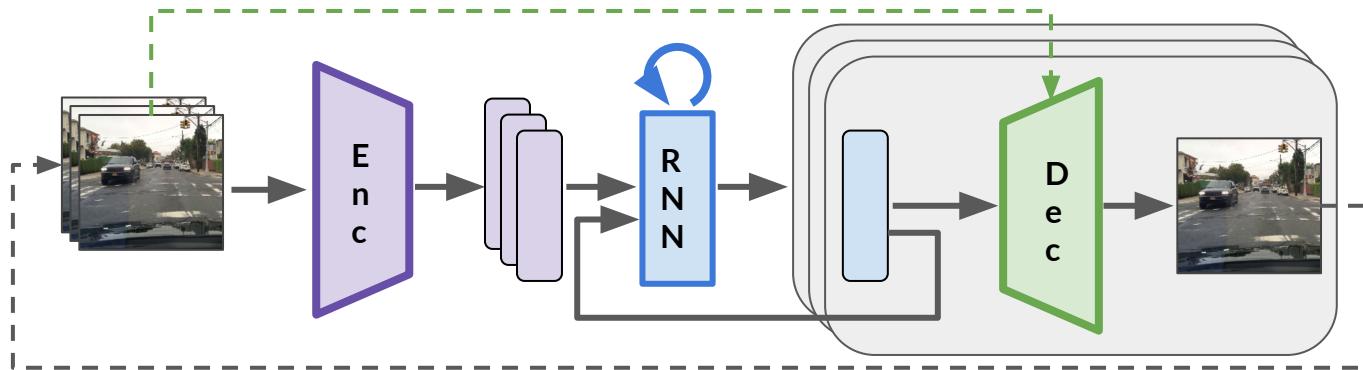
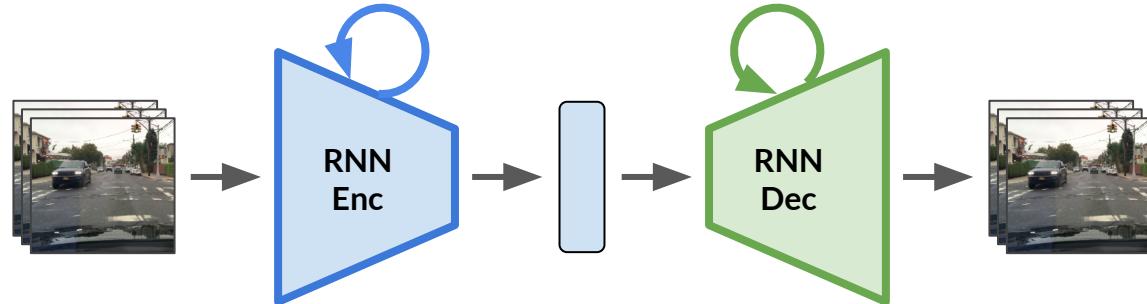
Update  $\theta$  to reduce  $L$

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## 2. Video Prediction

[Srivastava et al., 2015 \(Moving MNIST\)](#)

[Shi et al., 2016 \(ConvLSTM\)](#)



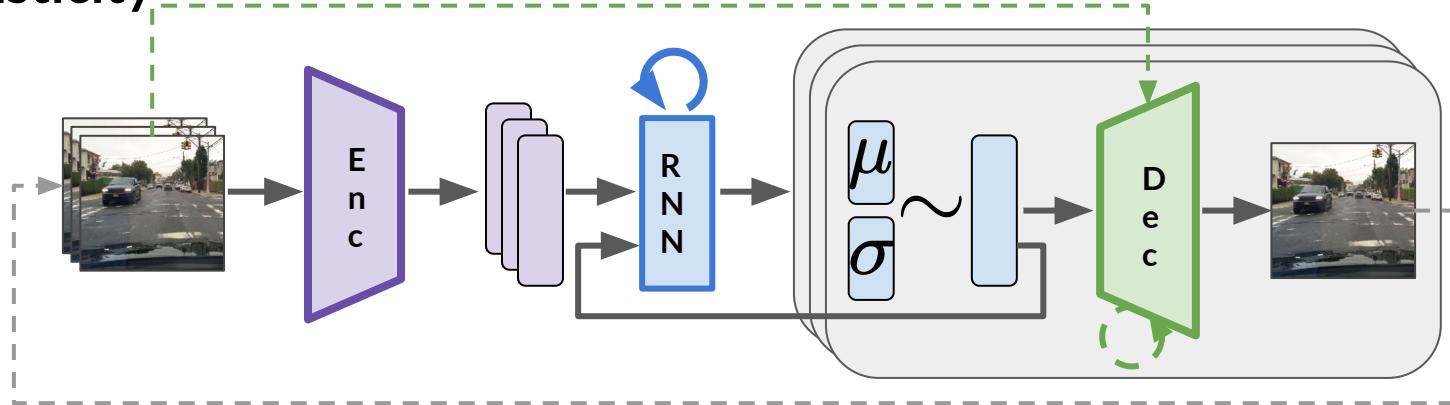
[Finn et al., 2017](#) (predicts “motion”, warps previous frame)

[Villegas et al., 2017](#) (MCnet : “content”, “motion”)

[Denton et al., 2017](#) (DrNet : “content”, “pose”)

## 2. Video Prediction

### Stochasticity



[Xue et al., 2016](#) (static “content”, probabilistic “motion”)

[Babaeizadeh et al., 2017](#) (SV2P : Basically [Finn et al., 2017](#) with stochasticity)

[Denton et al., 2018](#) (SVG-LP : learns a new prior per time step; has a recurrent encoder and a different recurrent decoder)

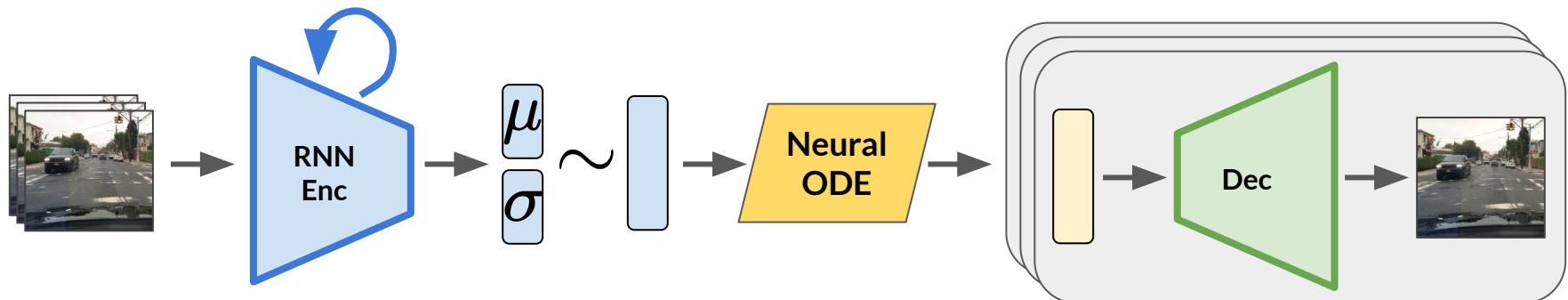
[Hsieh et al., 2018](#) (DDPAE : static “content”, probabilistic “pose”)

[Castrejon et al., 2019](#) (Improved VRNN : hierarchy of latent variables per time step)

[Villegas et al., 2019](#) (scaled up version of [Denton et al., 2018](#))

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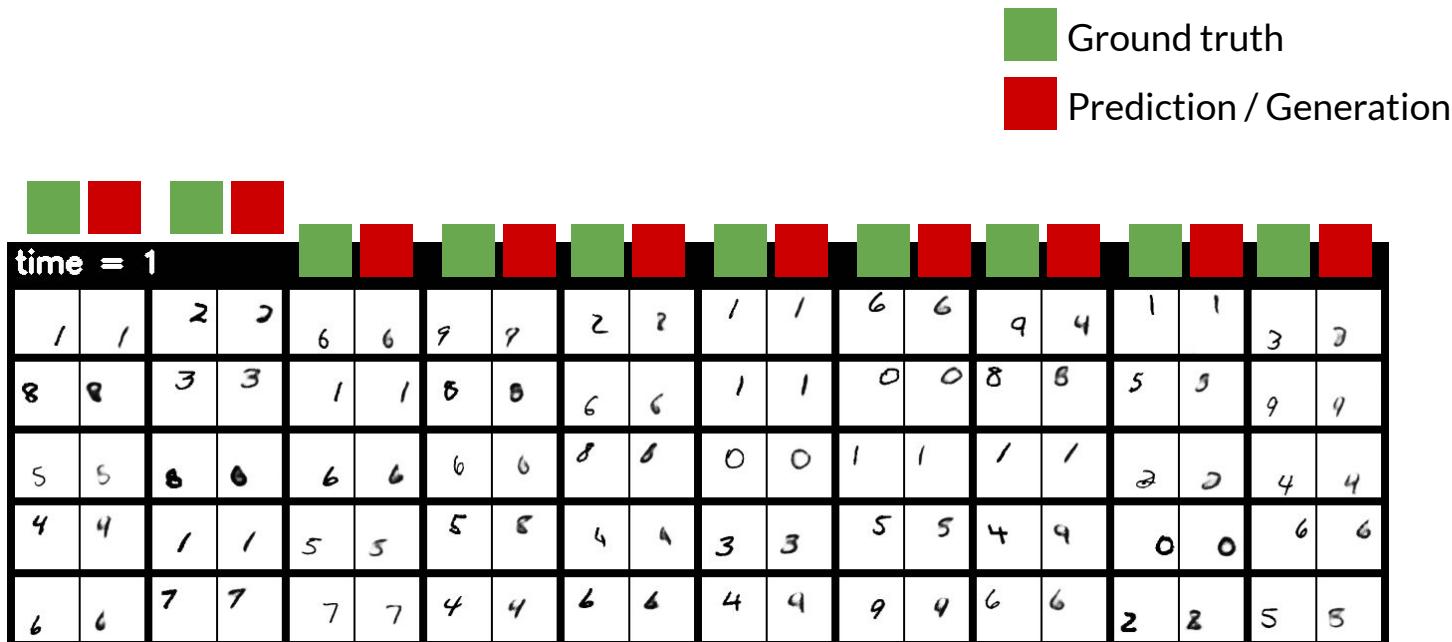
Can Neural ODEs model **latent dynamics** in video?



## 2. Video Prediction

# Simple Video Generation using Neural ODEs

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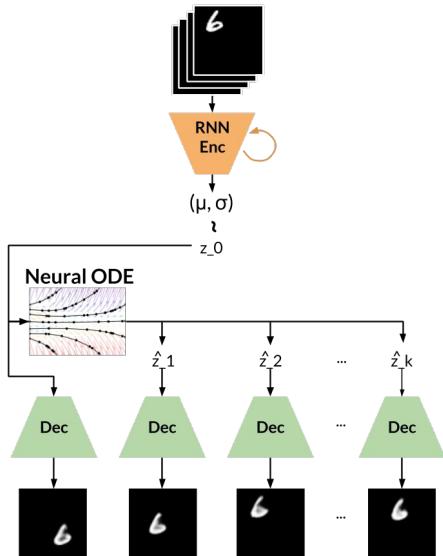


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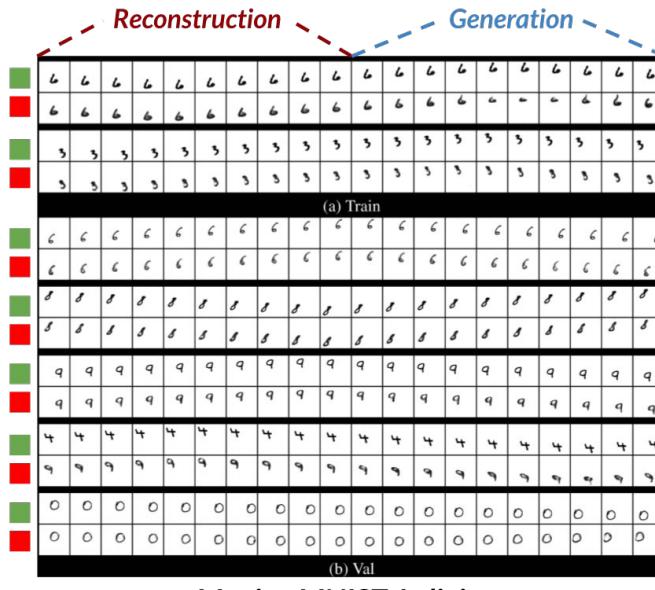
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Architecture



Reconstruction

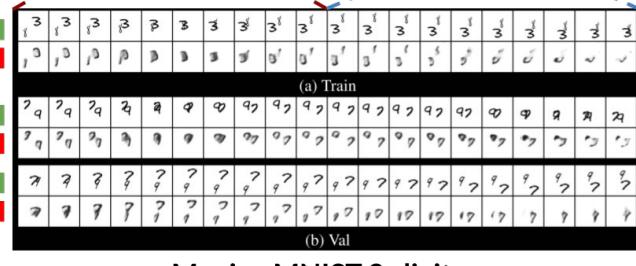
Generation



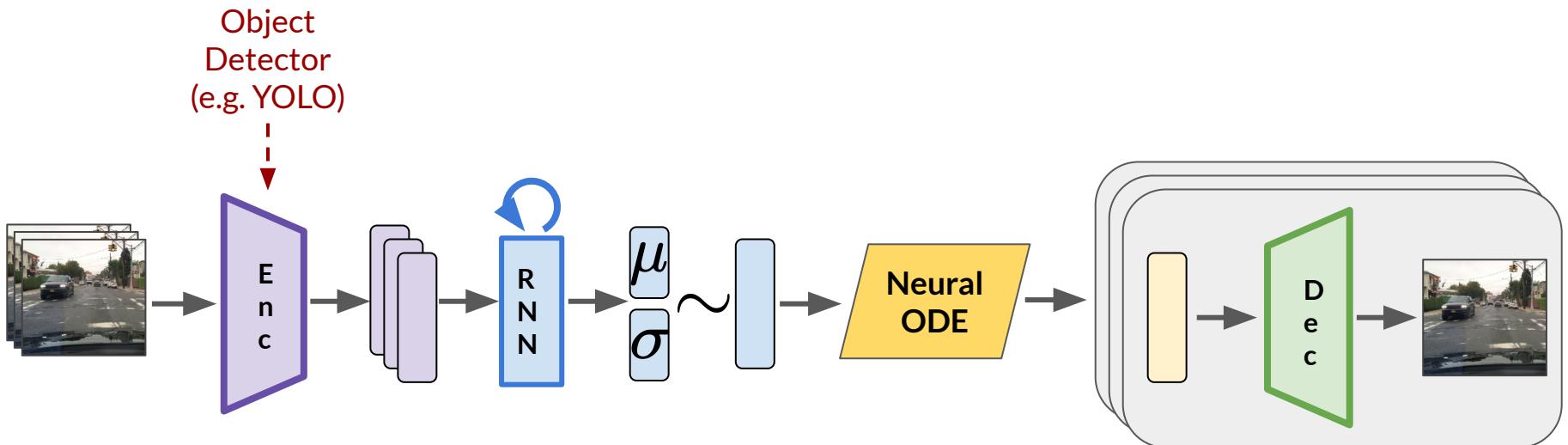
**Training on ONLY reconstruction!**

Reconstruction

Generation

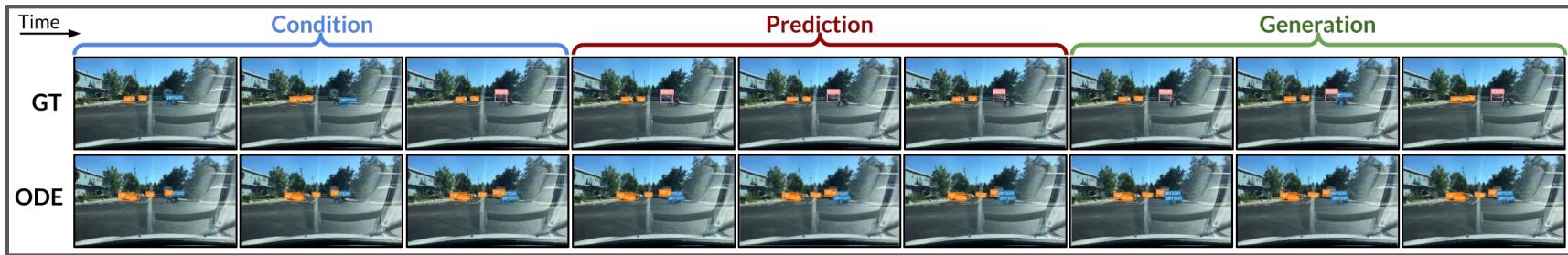
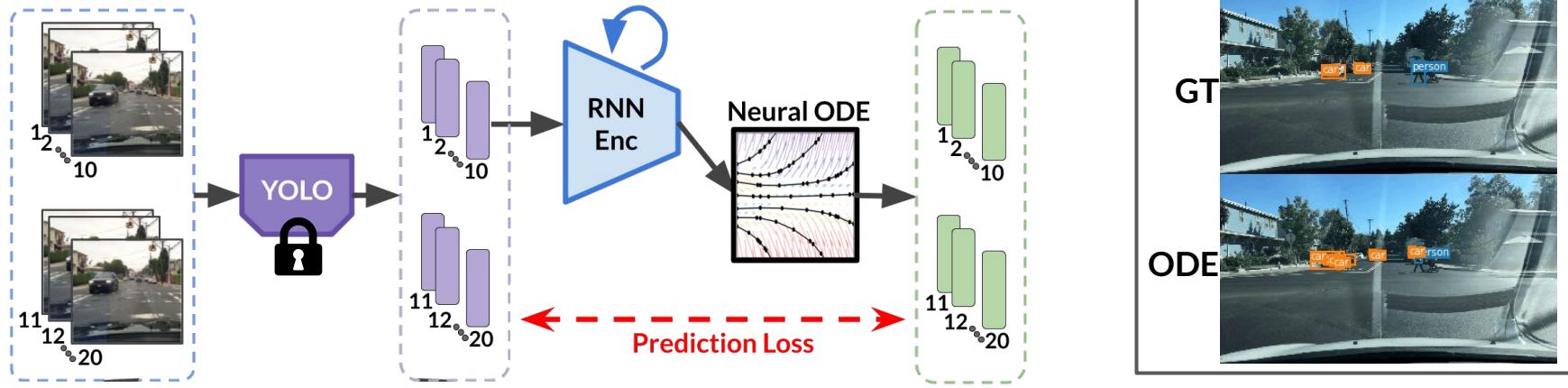


Can Neural ODEs model **object dynamics** in video?



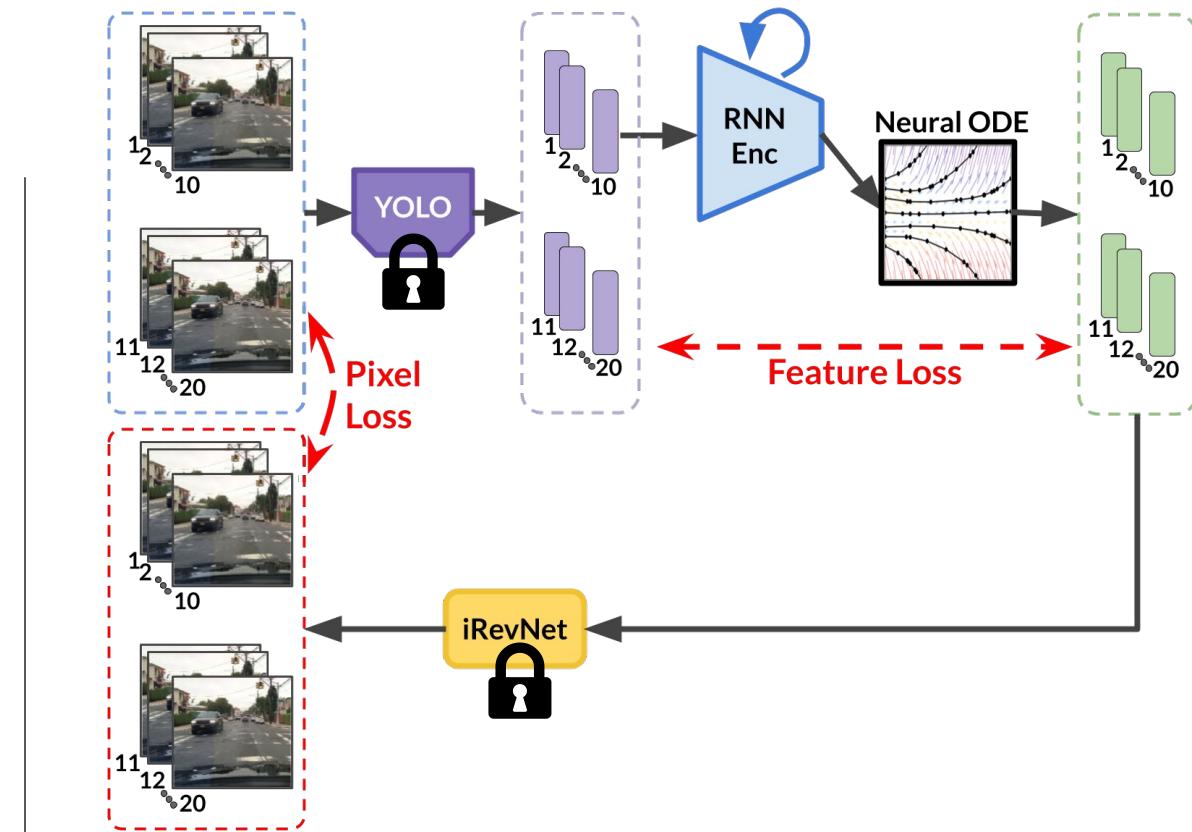
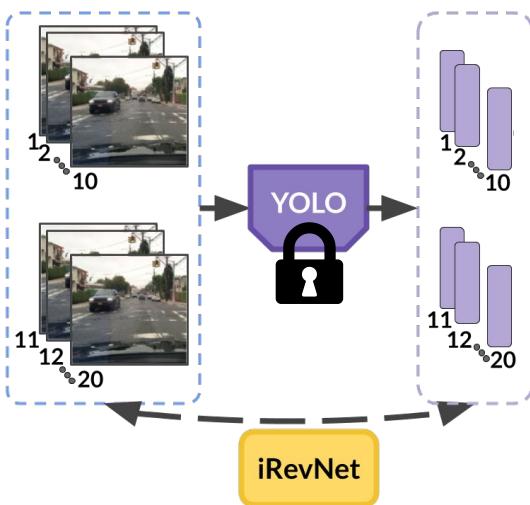
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### 1) Object Dynamics



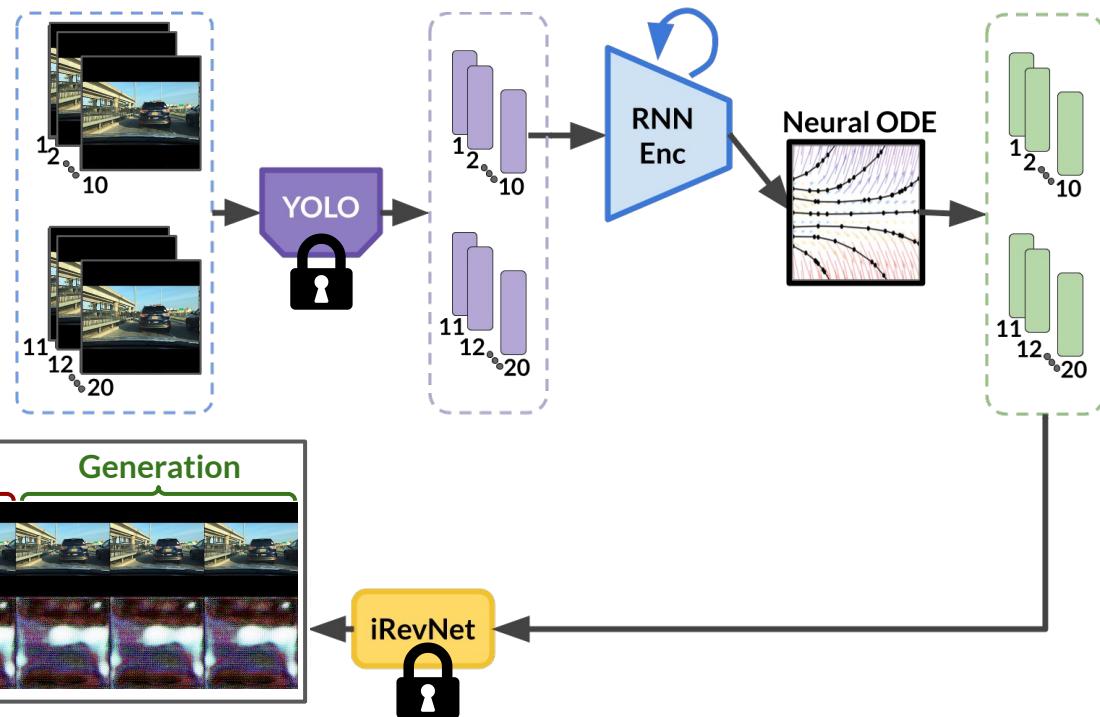
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## 2) Video Prediction from Object Dynamics



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### 2) Video prediction from Object Dynamics



### Future work

#### Improve feature predictions

- Alternate loss formulation
- Add adversarial loss
- Increase time steps
- Add stochasticity

#### Improve video predictions

- Semantic segmentation
- Image optimization
- Alternate decoders
- End-to-end training

#### Optical flow estimation using Neural ODEs

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} = f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)$$

*Euler discretization*

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n + h f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_n, t_n)$$

flow

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \text{warp}(\mathbf{x}_n, f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_n, t_n))$$

Optical flow

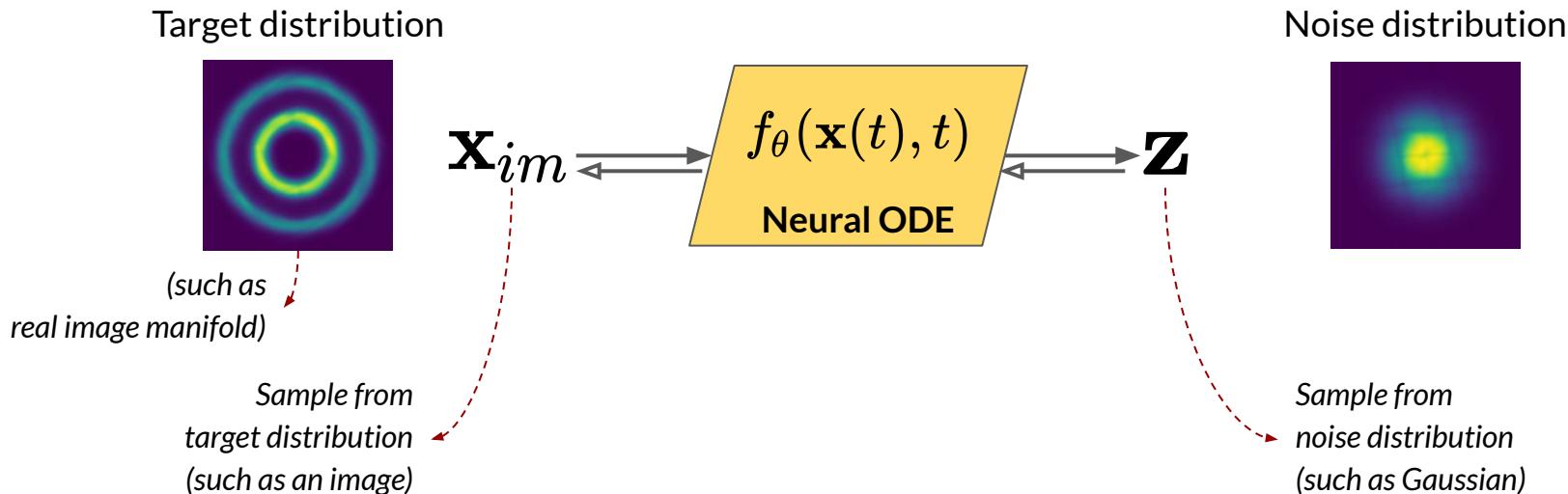
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**Can Neural ODEs model continuous flows?**

## Continuous Normalizing Flows



## “FFJORD”

(Free-Form Jacobian Of Reversible Dynamics)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.01367>

### 3. Image Generation

#### FFJORD (ICLR 2019)

Change of variables:

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}_{im}) - \log p(\mathbf{z}) = \log \det \left| \frac{df_\theta}{d\mathbf{x}(t)} \right|$$

*Instantaneous* change of variables:

$$\frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial t} = -\text{Tr} \left( \frac{\partial f_\theta}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)} \right)$$

Initial value:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \log p(\mathbf{x}_{im}) - \log p(\mathbf{z}) \end{bmatrix} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \begin{bmatrix} f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t) \\ -\text{Tr} \left( \frac{\partial f_\theta}{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)} \right) \end{bmatrix} dt$$

CIFAR10		ImageNet64	
BPD	Time	BPD	Time
3.40	$\geq 5$ days	-	-

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#### How to Train your Neural ODE (ICML 2020)

Introduces 2 regularization terms:

- 1) Kinetic energy of flow
- 2) Jacobian norm of flow

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(\theta) &= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|f(\mathbf{x}(t), t, \theta)\|_2^2 dt \\ \mathcal{B}(\theta) &= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|\epsilon^\top \nabla_z f(\mathbf{x}(t), t, \theta)\|_2^2 dt \end{aligned}$$

#### STEER

Introduces temporal regularization:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(t_1) &= \mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^T f_\theta(\mathbf{x}(t), t) dt \\ &= \text{ODESolve}(\mathbf{x}(t_0), f_\theta, t_0, T) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T &\sim \text{Uniform}(t_1 - b, t_1 + b) \\ b &< t_1 - t_0 \end{aligned}$$

CIFAR10		ImageNet64	
BPD	Time	BPD	Time
3.38	31.84	3.83	64.1

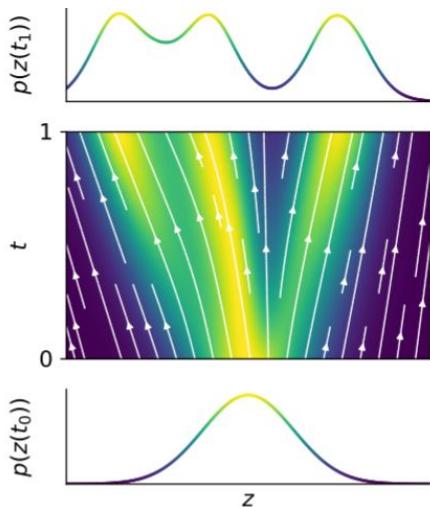
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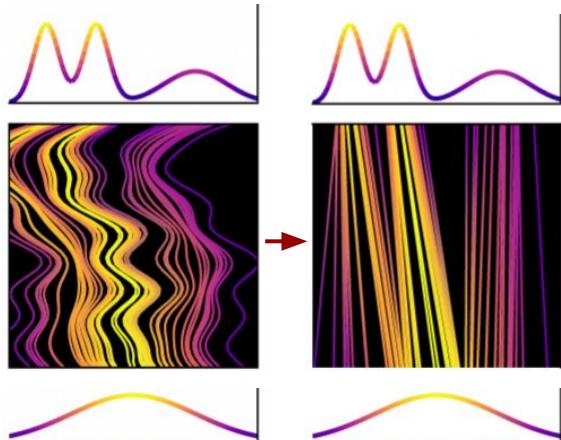
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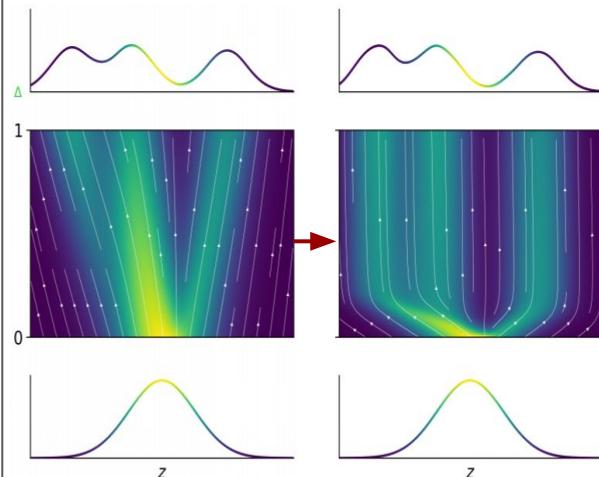
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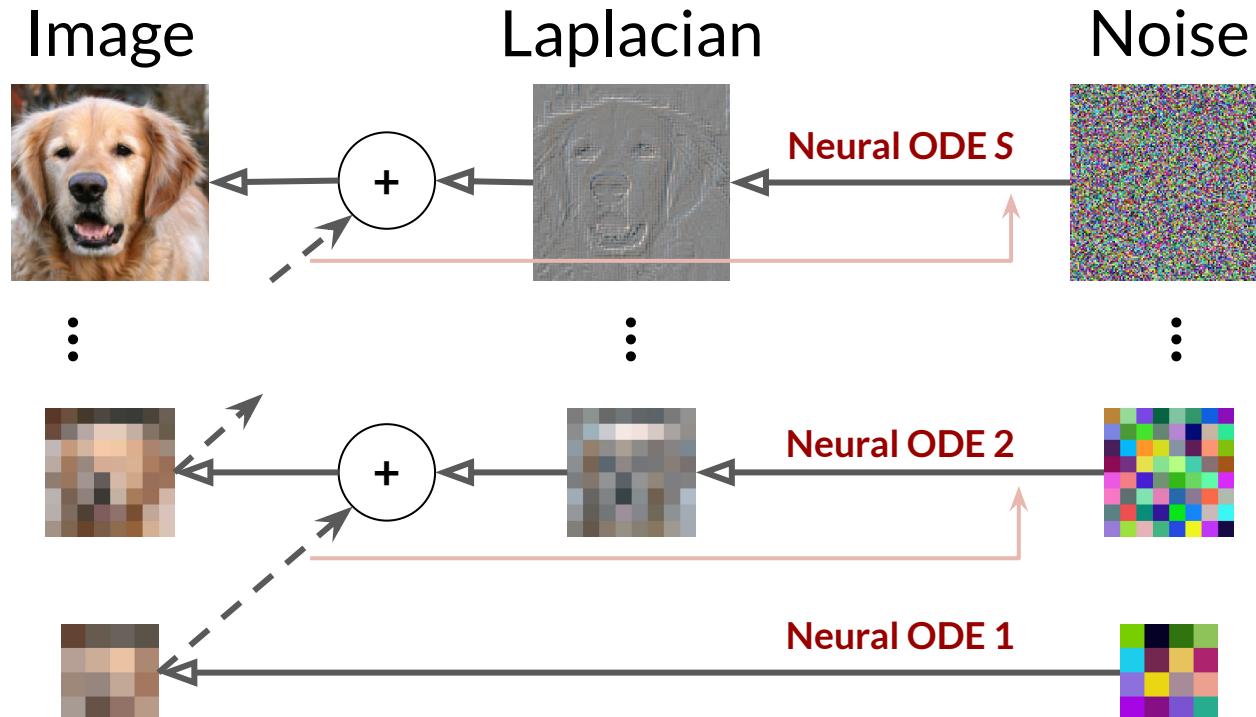
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Can Neural ODEs model **multi-scale** image flows?

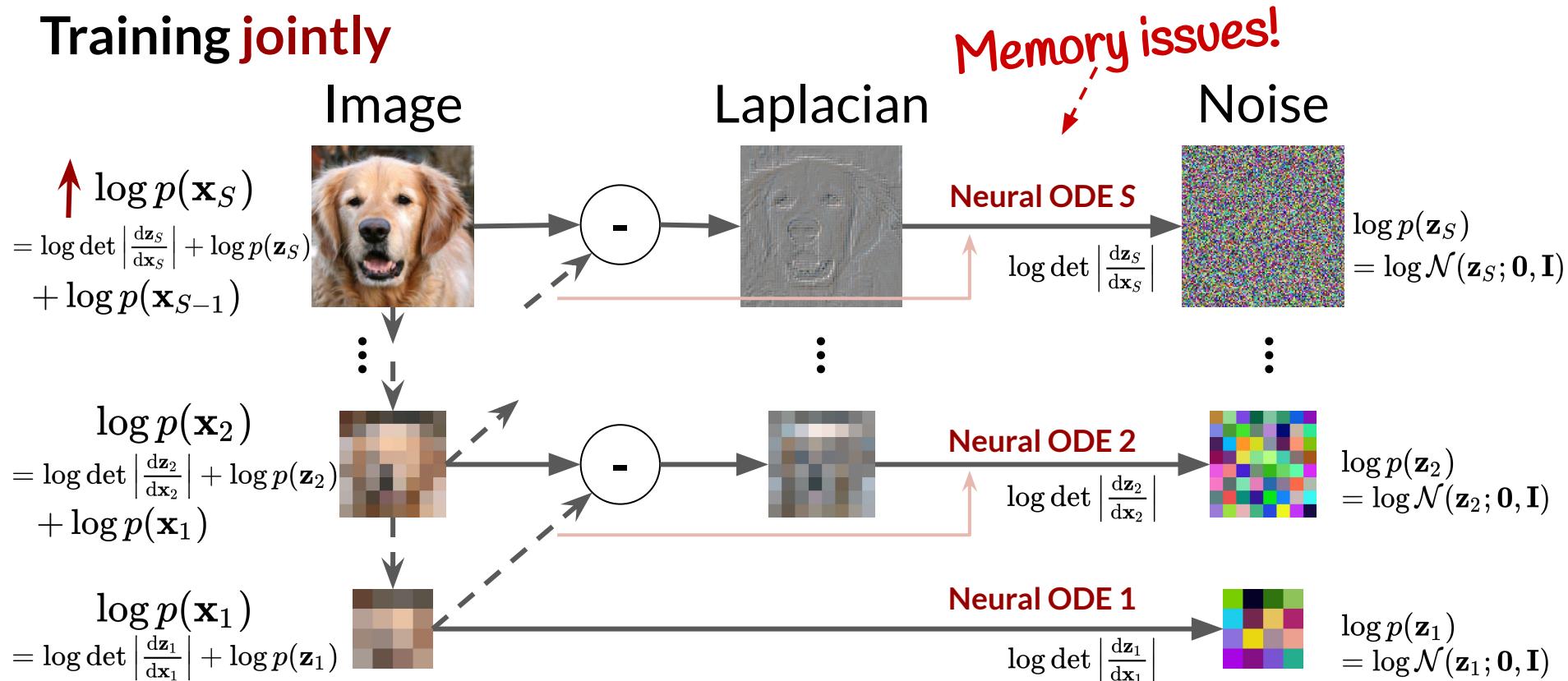
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## Generation



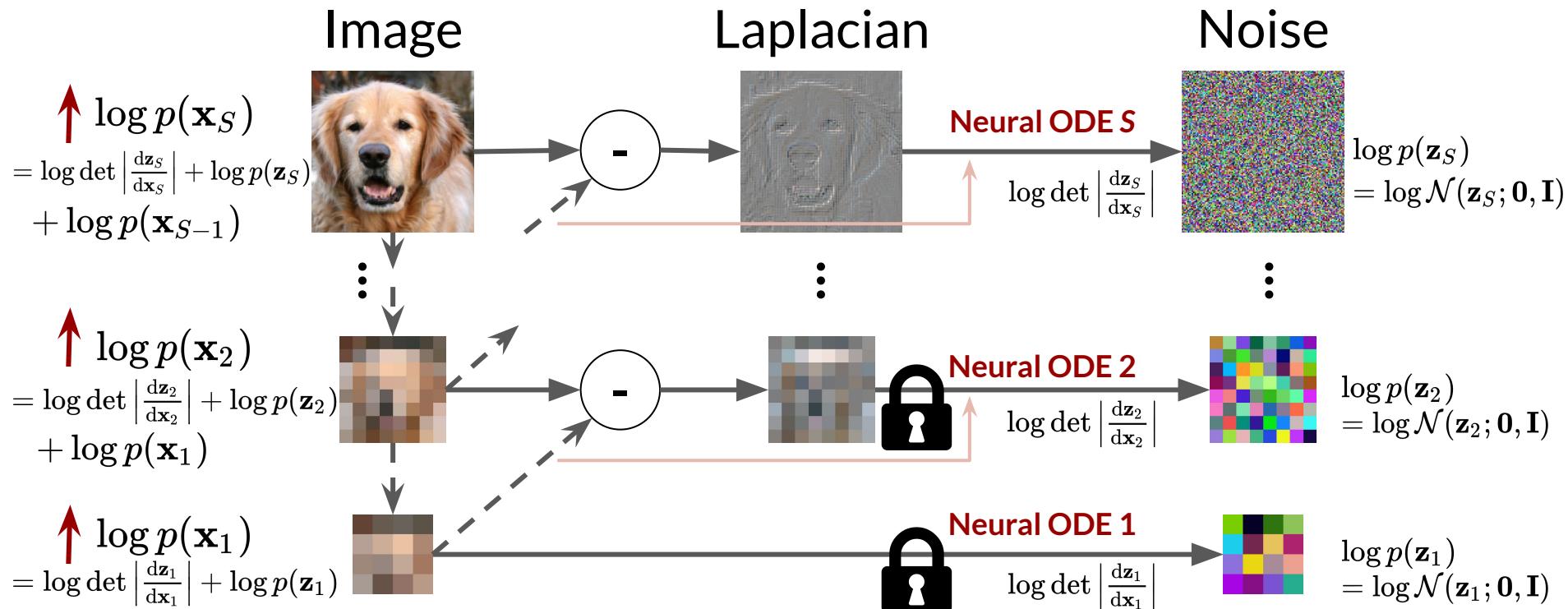
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Training jointly



### 3. Image Generation

Training each scale **consecutively**

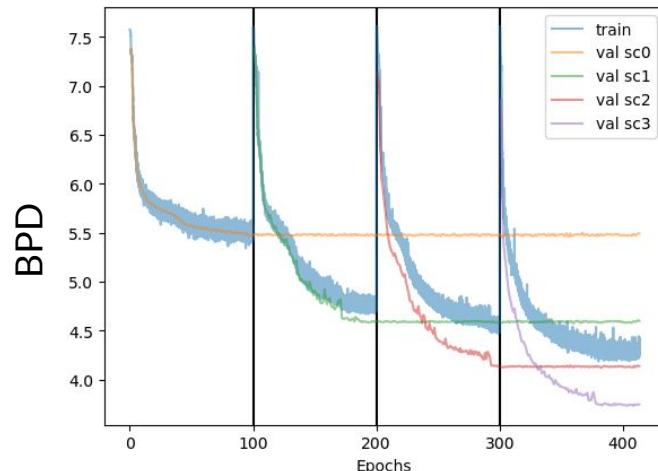


### 3. Image Generation

## CIFAR10

4 scales: 4x4, 8x8, 16x16, 32x32

BPD	Time (hrs)
3.73	40



Epoch 1

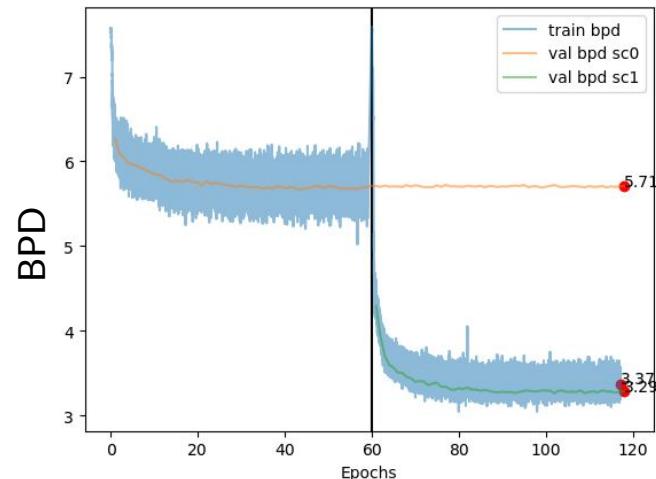


### 3. Image Generation

# CIFAR10

2 scales: 3x3, 32x32

BPD	Time (hrs)
3.28	13.97



Epoch 1

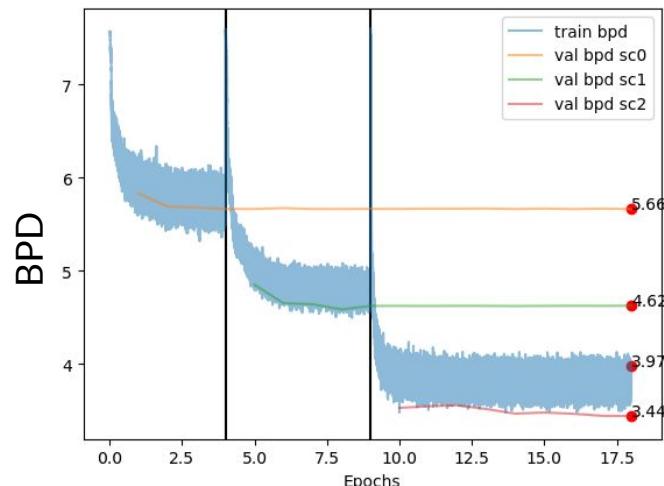


### 3. Image Generation

## ImageNet64

3 scales: 3x3, 13x13, 64x64

BPD	Time (hrs)
3.48	44.8



Epoch 1



### 3. Image Generation

	CIFAR10			ImageNet64		
	BPD	Time	FID	BPD	Time	FID
<u>RealNVP</u>	3.49	-	-	3.98	-	-
<u>Glow</u>	3.35	-	-	3.81	-	-
<u>Flow++</u>	3.09	-	-	3.69	-	-
<u>ANF</u>	3.05	-	-	3.66	-	-
<u>FFJORD</u>	3.40	$\geq 5$ days	-	-	-	-
FFJORD + <u>STEER</u>	3.40	86.34	-	-	-	-
FFJORD <u>RNODE</u>	3.38	31.84	-	3.83*	64.1*	-
FFJORD <u>RNODE</u> + <u>STEER</u>	3.397	22.24	-	-	-	-
Multiscale FFJORD RNODE (Ours) using only 1 GPU	<b>3.28</b>	<b>13.97</b>	143.14	<b>3.48</b>	<b>44.8</b>	249.4

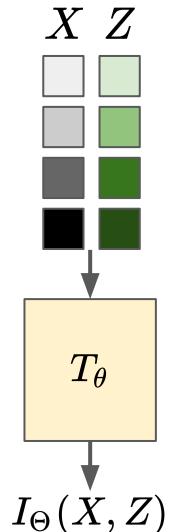
\* used 4 GPUs

## Future work

- Combine with other regularization methods ([STEER](#), [TayNODE](#))
- Investigate BPD vs FID
- Add adversarial loss
- Perform joint training
- **Multi-scale Video Generation**

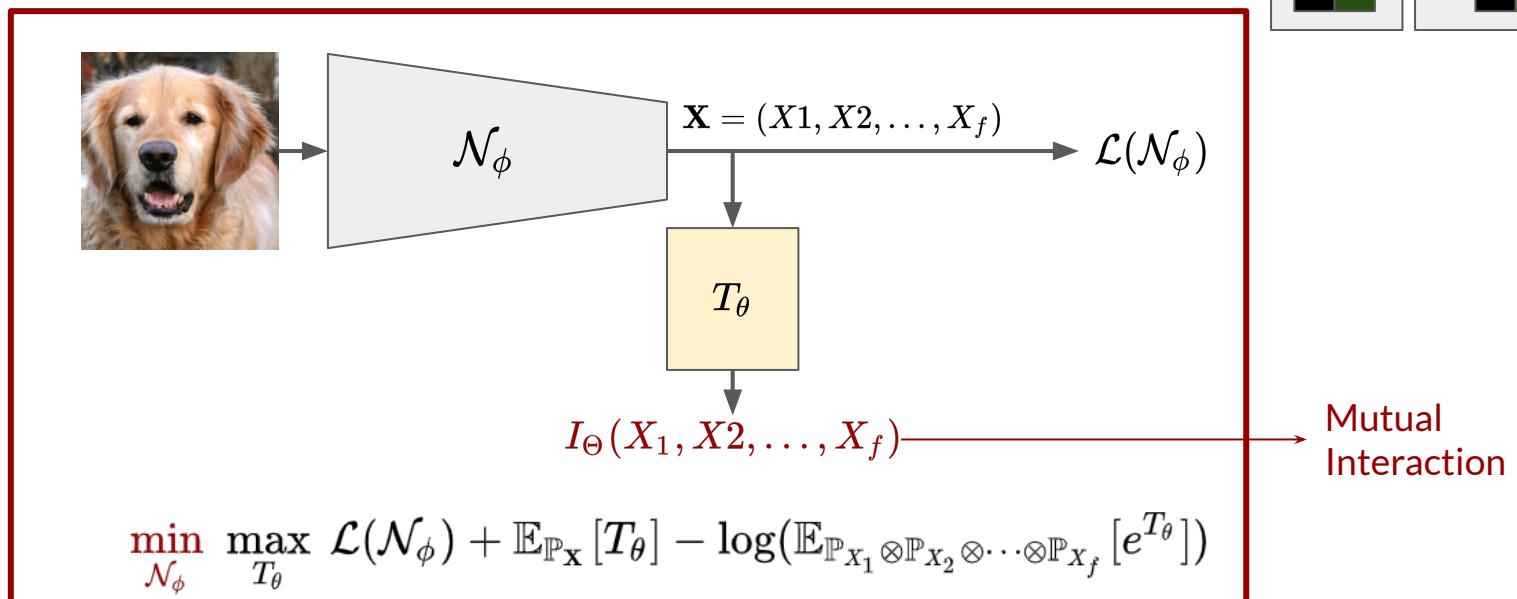
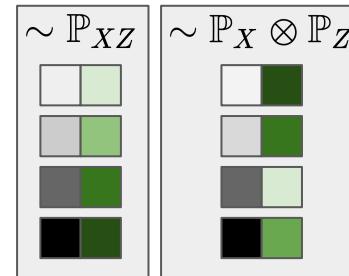
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MINE:  $I_\Theta(X, Z) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_{XZ}}[T_\theta] - \log(\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_X \otimes \mathbb{P}_Z}[e^{T_\theta}])$

(Mutual Information Neural Estimation)



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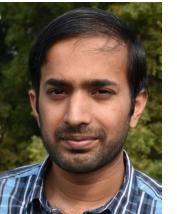
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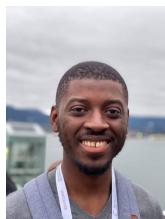
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