

Using Bayes theorem, one can calculate the posterior $q(x_{t-1}|x_t, x_0)$ in terms of $\tilde{\beta}_t$ and $\tilde{\mu}_t(x_t, x_0)$ which are defined as follows:

$$\tilde{\beta}_t := \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \beta_t \quad (10)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_t(x_t, x_0) := \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} x_t \quad (11)$$

$$q(x_{t-1}|x_t, x_0) = \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1}; \tilde{\mu}(x_t, x_0), \tilde{\beta}_t \mathbf{I}) \quad (12)$$

$$\alpha_t := 1 - \beta_t \quad \bar{\alpha}_t := \prod_{s=0}^t \alpha_s$$

$$q(X_t | X_0) = \mathcal{N}(X_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$$

$$X_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \epsilon$$

$$q(X_{t-1} | X_t, X_0) = q(X_t | X_{t-1}) \times \frac{q(X_{t-1} | X_0)}{q(X_t | X_0)}$$

$$\sim \mathcal{N}(X_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} X_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I})$$

$$= \sim \mathcal{N}(X_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_{t-1}, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}} e^{-\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_{t-1})^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}} \times \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}}} e^{-\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_t))}} e^{-\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}} e^{-\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_{t-1})^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}} \times \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}))}}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_t))}}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} + \frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \right\}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_t))}}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_t))} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}))}}}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_{t-1})^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} - \frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} + \frac{(X - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \right\}}$$

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$$\textcircled{1}: \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_t))}}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi\beta_t}} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi((1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}))}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times \sqrt{\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}{\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\frac{\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t})}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}\right)}}$$

• Overview

- $q(X_{t-1} | X_t) \approx p_\theta(X_{t-1} | X_t)$
- $N(X_{t-1}; \mu_\theta(X_t, t), \Sigma_\theta(X_t, t))$
- $q(X_{t-1} | X_t) \rightarrow q(X_{t-1} | X_t, X_0)$
- $N(X_{t-1}; \tilde{\mu}(X_t, X_0), \tilde{\Sigma}(X_t, X_0))$

Note

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{\sigma}^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\mathbf{\sigma}^2}} e^{-\frac{(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p})^2}{2\mathbf{\sigma}^2}}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(X_{t-1}; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} X_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}) \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathcal{N}(X_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} X_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
②: & \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_{t-1})^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} - \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_t)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} + \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\bar{\alpha}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_{t-1})^2}{2\beta_t} - \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} + \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\bar{\alpha}_t - \sqrt{1-\beta_t} \bar{x}_{t-1})^2}{2\beta_t} - \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} + \frac{(\bar{\alpha}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_0)^2}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \right\} \\
& = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\beta_t} \left\{ \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 - 2\sqrt{1-\beta_t} \bar{x}_t \bar{x}_{t-1} + (1-\beta_t) \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 \right\} - \frac{1}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \left\{ \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 - 2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_{t-1} \bar{x}_0 + \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \bar{x}_0^2 \right\} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{1}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \left\{ \bar{x}_t^2 - 2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_0 \bar{x}_t + \bar{\alpha}_t \bar{x}_0^2 \right\} \right] \\
& = \exp \left[\bar{x}_{t-1}^2 \left\{ \frac{-(1-\beta_t)}{2\beta_t} - \frac{1}{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right\} + \bar{x}_{t-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\beta_t} \times 2\sqrt{1-\beta_t} \bar{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right\} + C \right] \\
& = \exp \left[- \left\{ \frac{(1-\beta_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}) + \beta_t}{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right\} \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_t}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) \bar{x}_{t-1} + C \right] \\
& = \exp \left[- \left\{ \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - \beta_t + \beta_t \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} + \beta_t}{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right\} \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_t}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) \bar{x}_{t-1} + C \right] \\
& \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Simplify}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} + (1-\bar{\alpha}_t)\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} + \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - \bar{\alpha}_t}{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} = \frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \right)}$$

$$\exp \left(- \frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 - \frac{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \bar{x}_t}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \bar{x}_0}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) \bar{x}_{t-1} + C \right\} \right)$$

$$= \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \bar{x}_{t-1}^2 - \left(\frac{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t})}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} \bar{x}_t + \frac{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}})}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \bar{x}_0 \right) \bar{x}_{t-1} + C \right\} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \hat{x}_{t+1}^2 - \left(\frac{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t})}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} x_t + \frac{2\beta_t(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t})}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} x_0 \right) x_{t+1} + c \right\} \right) \\
&= \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \hat{x}_{t+1}^2 - \left(\frac{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t})}{(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)(1-\bar{\alpha}_t)} x_t + \frac{2\beta_t(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 \right) x_{t+1} + c \right\} \right) \\
&= \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \hat{x}_{t+1}^2 - \left(\frac{2(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_t + \frac{2\beta_t(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 \right) x_{t+1} + c \right\} \right) \\
&= \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \hat{x}_{t+1} - \left(\frac{\beta_t(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_t \right) \right\}^2 \right) \\
\Rightarrow &\quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \boxed{\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)}}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)} \left\{ \hat{x}_{t+1} - \underbrace{\left(\frac{\beta_t(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_t \right)} \right\}^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore q(x_{t+1} | x_t, x_0) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_t(x_0, x_t) = \frac{\beta_t(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1})}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} x_t$$

$$\tilde{\beta}_t(x_0, x_t) = \beta_t \left(\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t} \right)$$

$$q(x_{t+1} | x_t, x_0) \sim \mathcal{N}(x_{t+1}; \tilde{\mu}_t(x_0, x_t), \tilde{\beta}_t(x_0, x_t) I)$$