

1. Consider a forward SDE

$$dx_t = f(x_t, t) dt + g(x_t, t) dW_t,$$

show that the corresponding probability flow ODE is written as

$$dx_t = \left[ f(x_t, t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x_t, t) - \frac{g^2(x_t, t)}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x_t, t) \right] dt.$$

Consider the forward Ito SDE :

$$dx_t = f(x_t, t) dt + g(x_t, t) dW_t,$$

where  $f(x_t, t)$  is the drift coefficient,  $g(x_t, t)$  is the diffusion coefficient and  $W_t$  is a standard Wiener process.

We want to find a deterministic ODE whose marginal density  $p(x_t, t)$  at every time  $t$  matches that of the SDE. This ODE is called the probability flow ODE.

The time evolution of the marginal density  $p(x_t, t)$  corresponding to the SDE is governed by the Fokker-Planck equation :

$$\frac{\partial p(x_t, t)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(x_t, t) p(x_t, t)] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} [g^2(x_t, t) p(x_t, t)] \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

For a deterministic flow  $dx_t = v(x_t, t) dt$ , the marginal density evolves according to the continuity eq.:

$$\frac{\partial p(x_t, t)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [v(x_t, t) p(x_t, t)] \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

By (1) and (2), we equate their right-hand sides :

$$\begin{aligned} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (v p) &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f p) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (g^2 p) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f p - v p) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (g^2 p) \end{aligned}$$

Assuming the boundary terms vanish (i.e.  $p$  and  $g^2 p \rightarrow 0$  at  $\rightarrow \infty$ ), integrate once over  $x$  :

$$f p - v p = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (g^2 p)$$

Then, we solve for  $v(x, t)$  :

$$\begin{aligned} v(x, t) &= f(x, t) - \frac{1}{p(x, t)} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [g^2(x, t) p(x, t)] \\ &= f(x, t) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{p(x, t)} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x, t) \right) p(x, t) + g^2(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p(x, t) \right] \left( \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p \right) \\ &= f(x, t) - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x, t) + g^2(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x, t) \right] = \frac{dx_t}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we show that the corresponding probability flow ODE is

$$dx_t = [f(x_t, t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x_t, t) - \frac{g^2(x_t, t)}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x_t, t)] dt \quad \square$$

### 3. Unanswered Question :

在 Reverse SDE 中，模型是透過一步步去除噪聲，來恢復出真實的資料樣本，但在現實世界中，像是天氣預測或金融市場中，資料中的噪聲往往不是論文假設的高斯噪聲，而是未知或依據資料改變的非高斯噪聲，我想問如果正向過程的噪聲並非高斯分佈，甚至依賴資料本身，那反向 SDE 還能穩定且可靠的重建出原始訊號嗎？