

Modular Flows: Differential Molecular Generation

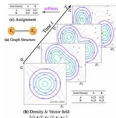
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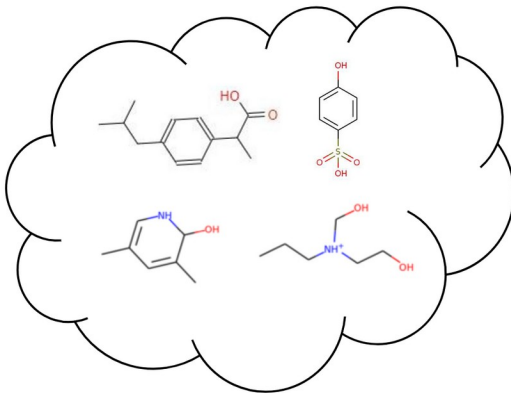
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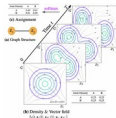
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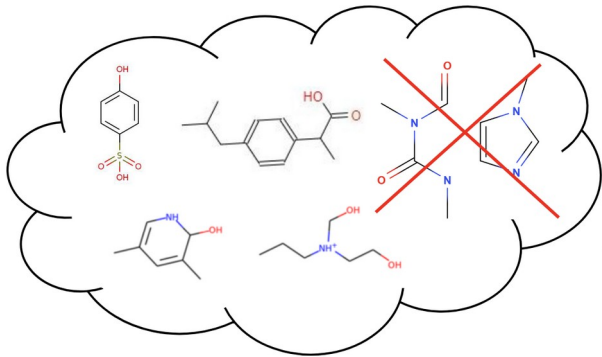
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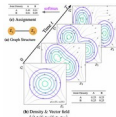




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- Can generative models achieve high intrinsic validity ?

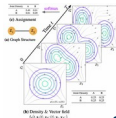
Current SOTA

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GraphDF (Luo et al., 2021)	89	99.2	100	100
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- Given a molecular structure \Rightarrow assign atom labels

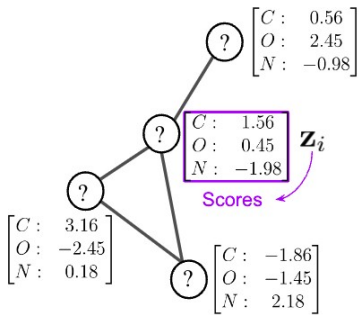


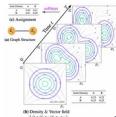


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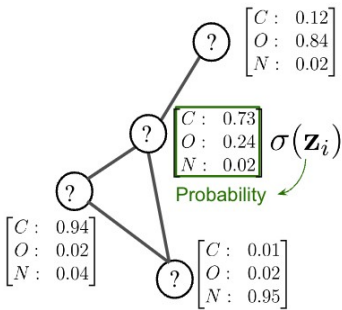
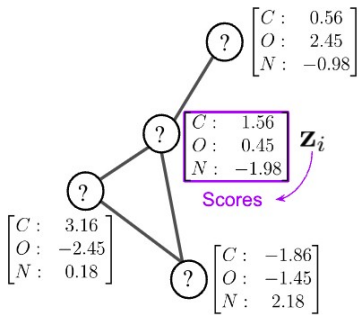


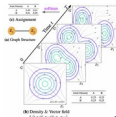


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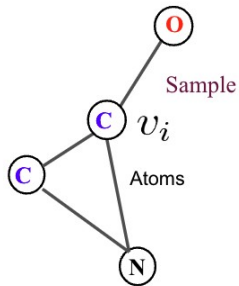
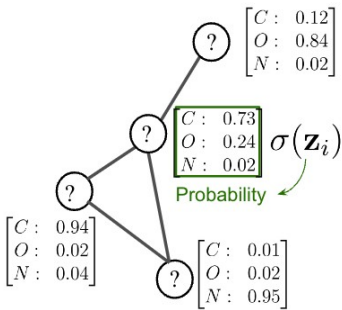
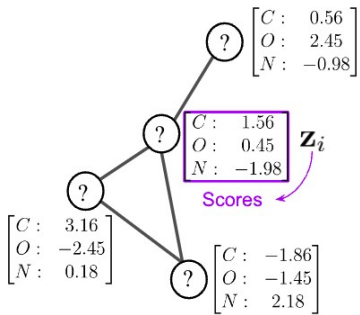


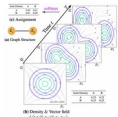


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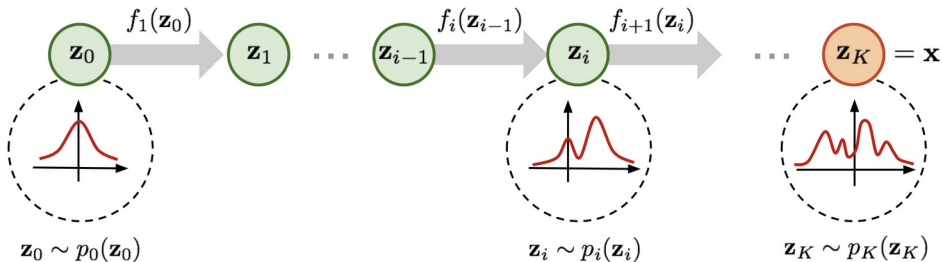
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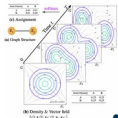




Differential Modular Flows

- Normalizing Flows*





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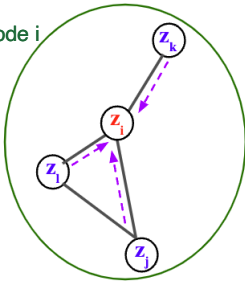
- Model the node scores z_i as a CNF over time $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$, with $z_i(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$.
- The dynamics are parameterized by a **coupled ODE** over neighbors \mathcal{N}_i :

$$\dot{z}_i(t) := \frac{\partial z_i(t)}{\partial t} = f_{\theta}(t, \underbrace{z_i(t), z_{\mathcal{N}_i}(t)}_{\text{Scores}}, \underbrace{x_i, x_{\mathcal{N}_i}}_{\text{Spatial Information}}).$$

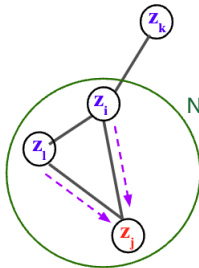
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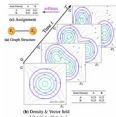
Spatial Information

Neighborhood of node i



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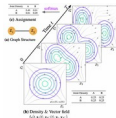




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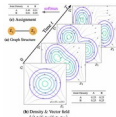


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$$\mathbf{z}(T) = \mathbf{z}(0) + \int_0^T \dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) dt \longrightarrow \text{Solving the dynamics}$$



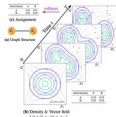
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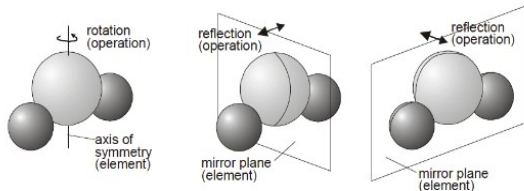
$$\frac{d \log p_t(\mathbf{z}_i(t))}{dt} = -\text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial f_\theta(t, \mathbf{z}_i(t), \mathbf{z}_{\mathcal{N}_i}(t), \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{\mathcal{N}_i})}{\partial \mathbf{z}_i} \right) \left. \vphantom{\frac{d \log p_t(\mathbf{z}_i(t))}{dt}} \right\} \text{Change in density due to flow}$$



Equivariant local differential

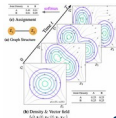
To respect the natural equivariances of the molecule, we choose to use E(3)-Equivariant Graph Neural Networks as the choice for f_θ as it satisfies,

- Translation Equivariance
- Permutation Equivariance
- Rotation (and Reflection) Equivariance
- Size Invariance



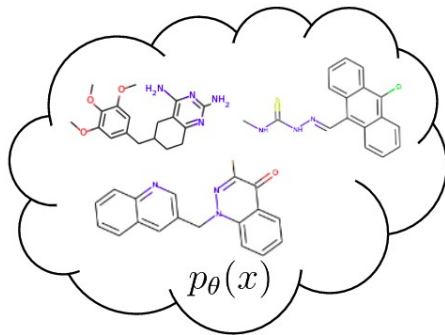
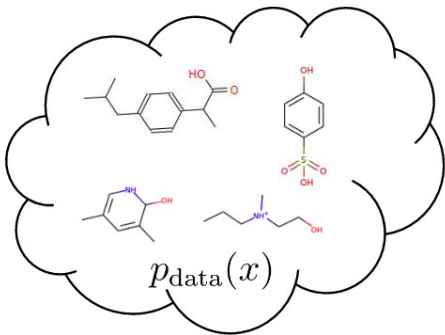


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- $p_{\text{data}}(x)$

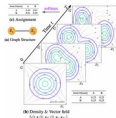


Training Objective

- The minimization of $\text{KL}[p_{\text{data}} || p_{\theta}]$ is equivalent maximizing the cross entropy $E_{p_{\text{data}}} [\log p_{\theta}]$



$$\min \text{KL}[p_{\text{data}} || p_{\theta}] \propto \max E_{p_{\text{data}}} [\log p_{\theta}]$$



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- We map the set of graphs $\{G_n\}$ into a set of scores $\{z_n\}$ via a noisy one-hot encoding and thus maximize an objective over N training graphs,

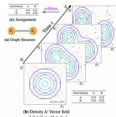
$$\arg \max_{\theta} \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \log p_T(z(T) = z_n^{obs})$$

$$\underbrace{\log p(z(0))}_{\text{Starting from normal distribution}} - \underbrace{\log p(z(T))}_{\text{Final target distribution}} = \underbrace{\int_0^T \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z(t)} \right) dt}_{\text{Divergence term by flow}}$$

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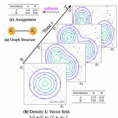
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Molecular Experiments

- **Data:** (i) QM9: 134k small organic molecules, (ii) ZINC250K: 250k drug-like molecules.
- **Metrics:**
 - **Validity:** Fraction of molecules that satisfy chemical valency rule
 - **Uniqueness:** Fraction of non-duplicate generations
 - **Novelty:** Fraction of novel molecules
 - **Reconstruction:** Fraction of molecules that can be reconstructed from their encoding
 - **FCD:** measures diversity and chemical and biological property alignment
 - **SNN:** quantifies closeness of generated molecules to true molecule manifold
 - **Frag:** measures distance between the fragment frequencies generated and reference
 - **IntDiv:** diversity by computing pairwise similarity of the generated molecules



Molecular Experiments

Method	Validity %	Uniqueness %	Novelty %	Reconstruction %
GVAE	60.2	9.3	80.9	96.0
GraphNVP*	83.1	99.2	58.2	100
GRF*	84.5	66	58.6	100
GraphAF*	67	94.2	88.8	100
GraphDF*	82.7	97.6	98.1	100
MoFlow*	89.0	98.5	96.4	100
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ModFlow (3D-EGNN)	98.3 ± 0.7	99.1	100	100
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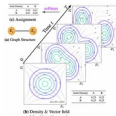
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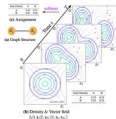
Method	FCD (↓)	Frag (↑)	SNN (↑)	IntDiv (↑)
GVAE	0.513	0.821	0.582	0.822
GraphEBM	0.551	0.831	0.547	0.831
GraphAF	0.732	0.863	0.565	0.823
GraphDF	0.683	0.892	0.562	0.839
MoFlow	0.496	0.840	0.502	0.852
ModFlow (2D-EGNN)	0.432	0.928	0.608	0.875
ModFlow (3D-EGNN)	0.478	0.934	0.613	0.885
ModFlow (JT-2D-EGNN)	0.421	0.921	0.595	0.867
ModFlow (JT-3D-EGNN)	0.401	0.939	0.624	0.889

QM9

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JTVAE	0.512	0.890	0.5477	0.855
GVAE	0.571	0.871	0.532	0.852
GraphEBM	0.613	0.843	0.487	0.821
GraphAF	0.524	0.803	0.465	0.855
GraphDF	0.658	0.869	0.515	0.829
MoFlow	0.597	0.851	0.452	0.832
ModFlow (2D-EGNN)	0.495	0.891	0.570	0.863
ModFlow (3D-EGNN)	0.512	0.905	0.584	0.869
ModFlow (JT-2D-EGNN)	0.501	0.915	0.563	0.857
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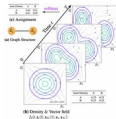
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Improvement across all metrics



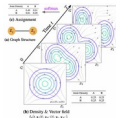
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- Website: <https://yogeshverma1998.github.io/ModFlow/>
- Visit the **poster** for in-person discussion!

Thank you for listening!