

Homework #3

Image Generation



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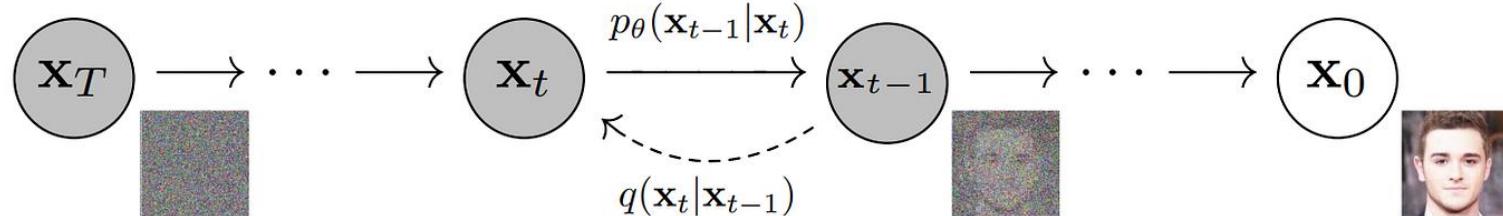
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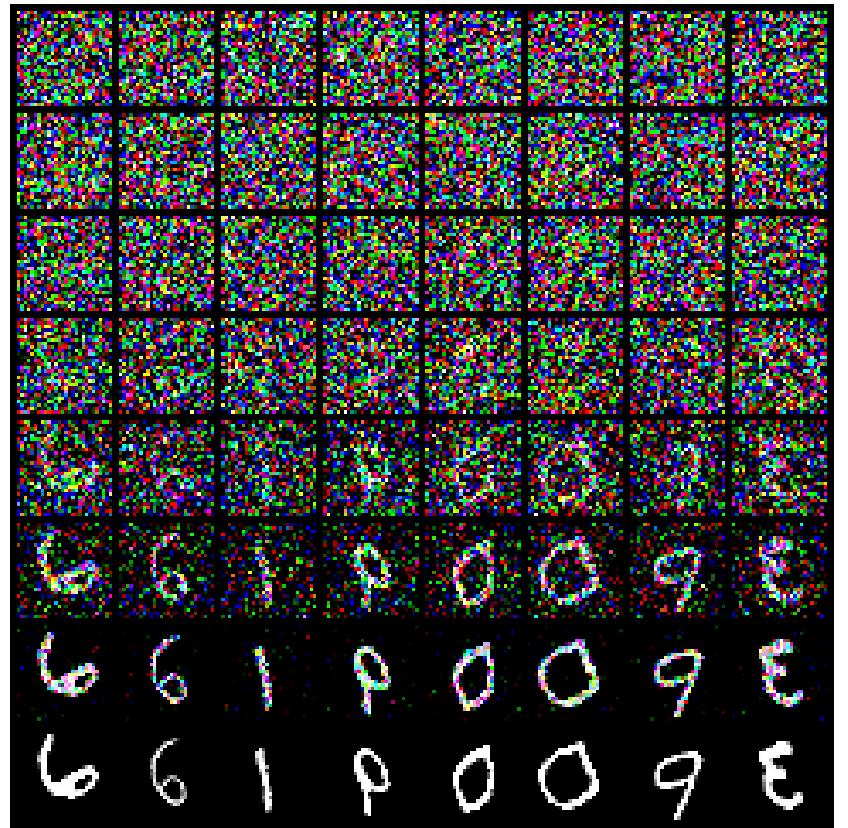
HW3 – Image Generation

TOPIC: Image Generation for Handwritten Digits

- Implementing diffusion generative models.
- Evaluating generative models in terms of FID.



DDPM (NeurIPS 2020, [link](#))





Submission Deadline

2025/11/28 23:59

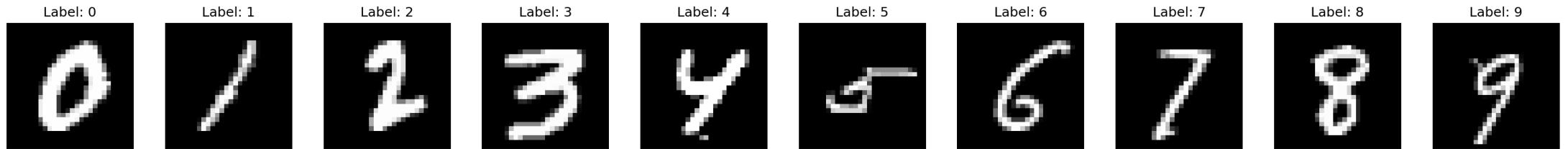
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- **The grading policy for TAICA students should be determined by your institution's teaching assistants or professors. Any questions, please contact them.**

AI Dataset – MNIST

- Download link: [link](#)
- Training set: 60,000 handwritten digits
- Image size: 28x28
- The images have been converted to RGB for simpler implementation





- The Fréchet Inception Distance (FID) is a widely used metric to measure the divergence between two distributions of images, specifically to evaluate the quality of images generated by models.
- A lower FID score indicates that the two distributions are closer, meaning the generated images are more similar to the real ones in terms of quality and diversity.
- For more information, you can refer to [link](#).



FID Implementation

- We use pytorch-fid ([GitHub Repositories](#)) to calculate FID:

```
pip install pytorch-fid
```

- Calculate FID (Two ways):

- With the training dataset

```
python -m pytorch_fid path/to/images path/to/mnist
```

- With precalculated mean and covariance

```
python -m pytorch_fid path/to/images path/to/mnist.npz
```

- path/to/images : the folder of the generated images.
 - path/to/mnist: the folder of the training data.
 - path/to/mnist.npz: the precalculated mean and covariance of training data, which can be downloaded from [link](#).



- FID (90%) (evaluated between 10000 generated images and training dataset)

Your FID	Points
< 30	90
30 ~ 70	Linear between 60 ~ 90
70 ~ 100	Linear between 0 ~ 60
> 100	0

- Report (10%)



- Implement a **diffusion-based** generative model **on your own**
- Use Python ≥ 3.10 (for consistency and reproducibility).
- **Pretrained weights and external datasets are forbidden.**
- Train your model from scratch.
- You may consult online resources (e.g., [link](#)) but you must understand it and **write the code yourself.**
- No plagiarism.
 - Violating the above rules on this page will result in a score of zero.
 - If you are uncertain about the legitimacy of the usage, email the TAs for clarification



➤ Python Package White List:

- Deep learning packages: Tensorflow (including Keras), PyTorch.
 - Deep learning related packages: torchvision.
 - Machine learning packages: sklearn, xgboost.
 - Others: pandas, tqdm, tensorboardX, tensorboard, opencv-python, pillow, scipy, numpy.
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Submission File – Source Code

➤ Zip your source code and submit to NTU COOL:

|----- code_< student-id>.zip

|----- src/ (Your source code)

|----- readme.md (Show how to install the environment, dataset, run training & generation)

|----- requirements.txt (The list of necessary packages)

➤ DO NOT include dataset, add the description about dataset path in readme.

➤ DO NOT include model weights.

- An incorrect format will result in a deduction of a -5 score.

AI Submission File – Generated Images

- The number of generated images: **10000**.
- The dimension of generated images: **28x28 RGB**.
- The format/filename of generated images: **png (00001.png ~ 10000.png)**.
- Zip these images into a .zip file **without any subdirectory** |----- img_<student-id>.zip
 - img_<student-id>.zip → **unzip**
 - 00001.png, 00002.png, ... |----- 00001.png
 - img/00001.png, img/00002.png, ... |----- 00002.png
 - ...
- **DO NOT** include any files other than images (e.g., for MacOS users, **DO NOT** include **.DS_Store** and **__MACOSX** in your zip file).
- Violating the above rules on this page will result in 0 score of FID evaluation.



Submission File – Report (1)

1. Model Description

- Introduce your model (must include an **architecture illustration**)

2. Implementation Details

- Preprocessing, augmentation, hyperparameters, loss functions, training strategies, etc.

3. Result Analysis

- Quantitative improvements (tables, metrics, discussion)
- Diffusion Process Visualizations (see next page) (5%)

4. Short conclusion

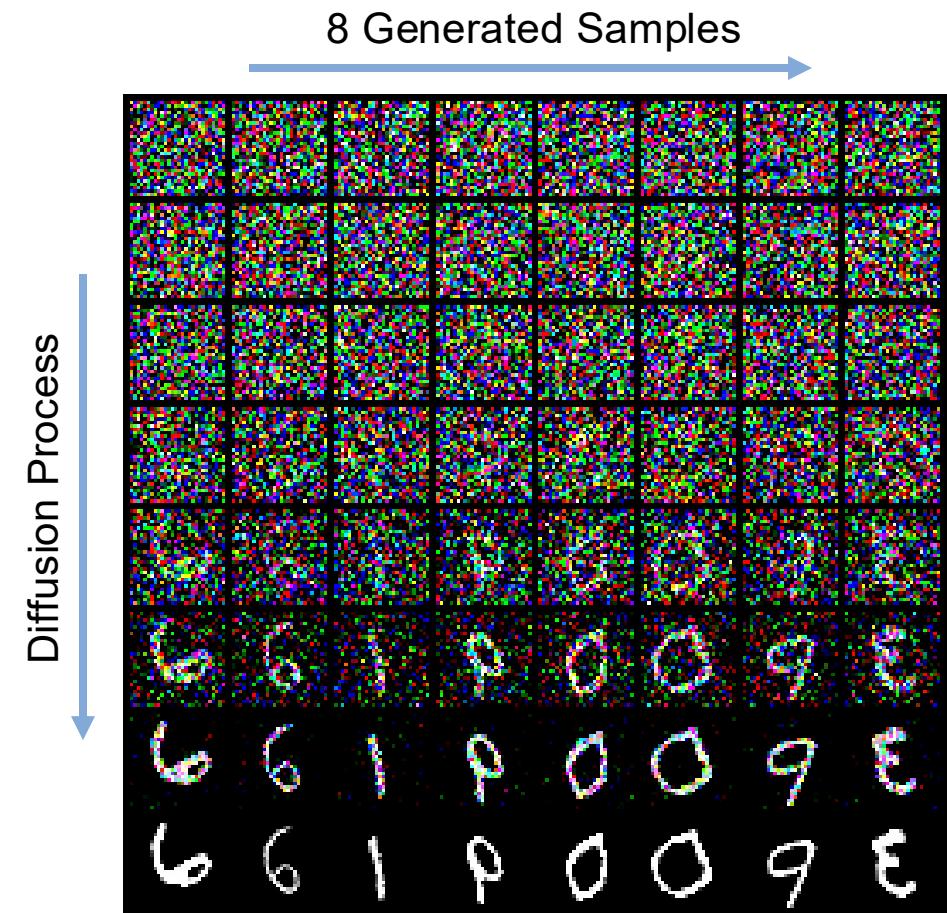
- 3-5 pages (excluding references), exceeding the limit will result in a -5 score

➤ Diffusion Process

- Start the diffusion process from noise
- Generate 8 different results.
- Divide the time steps into 7 equal parts.

For example, if the total number of steps is 1000, record the results every 142 steps.

- Arrange these 64 images into a form similar to the image on the right and paste it on the report.





- Your submission should be a zipped file with the following structure:
 - hw3_<student-id>.zip (e.g., hw3_R12345678.zip)
 - |-- hw3_<student-id> (Should contain this folder, not separate files)
 - |----- report_<student-id>.pdf (**Your report**)
 - |----- code_<student-id>.zip (**Your source code**)
 - |----- img_<student-id>.zip (**Your generated images**)
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- Failure to re-implement similar performance will result in a 60% discount of the total score.
- Plagiarism in the report or code will result in 0%.

Any Question

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