

Lecture 17 - Denoising Diffusion Model

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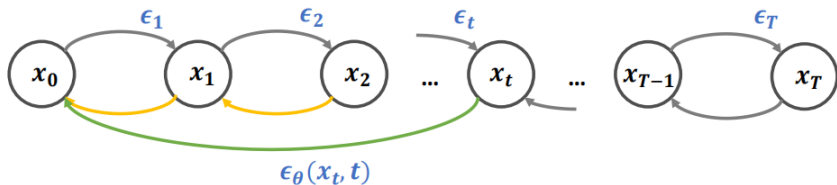
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Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models, DDPM¹

Forward/Diffusion Process



Reverse/Denoise Process



¹Denoising diffusion probabilistic models. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 33, 2020

Forward Diffusion Process

- 一步加噪过程

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha_t) \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{(1 - \alpha_t)} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}, \quad \text{where } \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).$$

- t 步加噪过程

命题 1

条件分布 $q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)$ 为

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I}),$$

其中 $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$. 即 $\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0$.

能够计算 $q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)$ 的好处在于给定 \mathbf{x}_0 , 给一个 t 可以直接得到 \mathbf{x}_t .

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \\
 &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} (\sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2}) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \\
 &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\alpha_t} \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}}_{\mathbf{w}_1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

由于 $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2}$ 和 $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}$ 都是标准高斯的， \mathbf{w}_1 是均值为0的高斯，我们下面计算协方差

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}_1 \mathbf{w}_1^T] &= [(\sqrt{\alpha_t} \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1}})^2 + (\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t})^2] \mathbf{I} \\
 &= [\alpha_t (1 - \alpha_{t-1}) + 1 - \alpha_t] \mathbf{I} = [1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}] \mathbf{I}.
 \end{aligned}$$

延用记号 $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\alpha_t \alpha_{t-1} \alpha_{t-2}} \mathbf{x}_{t-3} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t \alpha_{t-1} \alpha_{t-2}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-3} \\
 &= \dots = \sqrt{\prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Reverse Denoising Process

我们希望用一个神经网络实现降噪过程，即

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) \approx q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$$


由Markov性，

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

在优化神经网络的过程中转化为²³

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) \approx q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)$$

²Luo C. Understanding diffusion models: A unified perspective[J]. arXiv preprint arXiv:2208.11970, 2022.

³Chan S H. Tutorial on Diffusion Models for Imaging and Vision[J]. arXiv preprint arXiv:2403.18103, 2024. 

Reverse Denoising Process

命题 2

条件分布 $q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)$ 为一个高斯分布 $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_q(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_q(t))$, 其中

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_q(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_t + \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_q(t) = \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)(1 - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{I}$$

$$\begin{aligned} q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_0)q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)} \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha_t)\mathbf{I})\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})\mathbf{I})}{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)\mathbf{I})} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ - \left[\frac{(\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1})^2}{2(1 - \alpha_t)} + \frac{(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_0)^2}{2(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} - \frac{(\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0)^2}{2(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Reverse Denoising Process

注意到，给定加噪schedule， $\Sigma_q(t)$ 是已知的，所以我们只需要参数化均值部分，即

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}, \Sigma_q(t))$$

两个高斯分布之间的KL散度可以容易计算：

$$D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)) = \frac{1}{2\sigma_q^2(t)} \left[\|\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_q\|_2^2 \right]$$

注意到

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\mu}_q(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \frac{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 \\ &= \frac{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \sqrt{\alpha_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \end{aligned}$$

Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models

考虑

$$\mu_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \sqrt{\alpha_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$$

我们要学习的目标其实是一个 Denoiser $\epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$ 。

Algorithm 1 Training

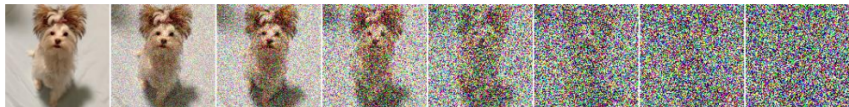
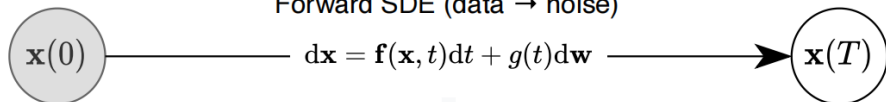
- 1: **repeat**
 - 2: $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
 - 3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
 - 4: $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 5: Take gradient descent step on
 $\nabla_{\theta} \|\epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \epsilon, t)\|^2$
 - 6: **until** converged
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Algorithm 2 Sampling

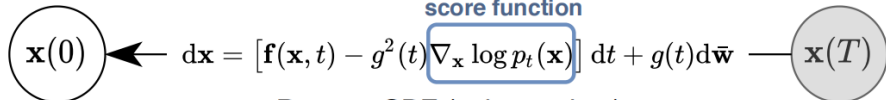
- 1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 2: **for** $t = T, \dots, 1$ **do**
 - 3: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ if $t > 1$, else $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$
 - 4: $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
 - 5: **end for**
 - 6: **return** \mathbf{x}_0
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Score-based Generative Models, SGM⁴Forward SDE (data \rightarrow noise)

score function

Reverse SDE (noise \rightarrow data)

⁴Y. Song, J. Sohl-Dickstein, D. P. Kingma, A. Kumar, S. Ermon, and B. Poole. Score-based generative modeling through stochastic differential equations. In Proc. ICLR, 2021.

Reverse SDE

定理 1

对于如下SDE:

$$dx = f(x, t)dt + G(x, t)dw, \quad (1)$$

它的 *Reverse SDE* 为

$$dx = \{f(x, t) - \nabla \cdot [G(x, t)G(x, t)^T] - G(x, t)G(x, t)^T \nabla_x \log p_t(x)\}dt + G(x, t)d\bar{w}$$

Proof Sketch

SDE (1)的Fokker-Planck方程为

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} &= - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] \right]. \end{aligned}$$

注意到

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] p_t(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= p_t(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top] + p_t(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Proof Sketch

回代Fokker-Planck方程

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} &= - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})] \\
&+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[p_t(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top] + p_t(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\
&= - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left\{ f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left[\nabla \cdot [\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top] + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right] p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right\} \\
&\triangleq - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [\tilde{f}_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})],
\end{aligned}$$

做时间逆转

$$\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [-\tilde{f}_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})] \tag{2}$$

Proof Sketch

整理(2), 得

$$\frac{\partial p_t(\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [\bar{f}_i(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x})] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d G_{ik}(\mathbf{x}, t) G_{jk}(\mathbf{x}, t) p_t(\mathbf{x}) \right]$$

其中

$$\bar{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top] - \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})$$

所以Reverse SDE 为

$$d\mathbf{x} = \{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top] - \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})\} dt + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) d\bar{\mathbf{w}}$$

Forward Process of DDPM & OU Process

考虑离散时间 $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$, DDPM的前向加噪过程

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \sqrt{1 - \beta_i} \mathbf{x}_{i-1} + \sqrt{\beta_i} \mathbf{z}_{i-1}, \quad \mathbf{z}_{i-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}).$$

定义时间步长 $\Delta t = \frac{1}{N}$, $t \in \{0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{N}\}$ 。加噪schedule为

$$\beta_i = \beta \left(\frac{i}{N} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{N} = \beta(t + \Delta t) \Delta t, \quad N \rightarrow \infty, \beta \left(\frac{i}{N} \right) \rightarrow \beta(t)$$

于是

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(t + \Delta t) &= \sqrt{1 - \beta(t + \Delta t) \Delta t} \mathbf{x}(t) + \sqrt{\beta(t + \Delta t) \Delta t} \mathbf{z}(t) \\ &\approx \mathbf{x}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \beta(t + \Delta t) \Delta t \mathbf{x}(t) + \sqrt{\beta(t + \Delta t) \Delta t} \mathbf{z}(t) \\ &\approx \mathbf{x}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \beta(t) \Delta t \mathbf{x}(t) + \sqrt{\beta(t) \Delta t} \mathbf{z}(t), \end{aligned}$$

当 $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$,

$$d\mathbf{x} = -\frac{1}{2} \beta(t) \mathbf{x} dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)} d\mathbf{w}.$$

Denoiser和Score的联系

引理 1 (Tweedie Formula)

对于一个高斯随机变量 $z \sim \mathcal{N}(z; \boldsymbol{\mu}_z, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_z)$, 有

$$\mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\mu}_z | z] = z + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_z \nabla_z \log p(z)$$

在DDPM中, 我们证明过

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$$

应用Tweedie Formula

$$\mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{x}_t} | \mathbf{x}_t] = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x}_t + (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \nabla \log p(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

带入到 $\boldsymbol{\mu}_q(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1})\mathbf{x}_t + \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}(1-\alpha_t)\mathbf{x}_0}{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}$ 中计算, 有

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_q(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \nabla \log p(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

Denoiser和Score的联系

可以通过学习到的Score计算

$$\mu_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \mathbf{s}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)$$

又由

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{\mathbf{x}_t + (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \nabla \log p(\mathbf{x}_t)}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}}$$

可以得到Denoiser和Score的联系

$$\nabla \log p(\mathbf{x}_t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0$$

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Reverse OU Process

- Forward process

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = -\beta_t \mathbf{X}_t dt + \sqrt{2\beta_t} d\mathbf{B}_t$$

- Backward process (BP)

$$d\mathbf{Y}_t = \beta_{T-t} \{ \mathbf{Y}_t + 2\nabla \log p_{T-t}(\mathbf{Y}_t) \} dt + \sqrt{2\beta_{T-t}} d\mathbf{B}_t$$

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Reverse Diffusion Monte Carlo⁵

设采样目标为 $x \propto e^{-f_*(x)}$, 考虑 Reverse Diffusion Process

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = \beta_{T-t} \{ \mathbf{X}_t + 2\nabla \log p_{T-t}(\mathbf{X}_t) \} dt + \sqrt{2\beta_{T-t}} d\mathbf{B}_t$$

引理 2

The score function can be rewritten as

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_{T-t}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q_{T-t}(\cdot|\mathbf{x})} \frac{e^{-(T-t)} \mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}}{(1 - e^{-2(T-t)})},$$

where

$$q_{T-t}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp \left(-f_*(\mathbf{x}_0) - \frac{\|\mathbf{x} - e^{-(T-t)} \mathbf{x}_0\|^2}{2(1 - e^{-2(T-t)})} \right).$$

⁵Huang X, Dong H, Yifan H A O, et al. Reverse diffusion monte carlo[C]//The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations. 2024.

Reverse Diffusion Monte Carlo

Algorithm 1 RDMC: reverse diffusion Monte Carlo

1: **Input:** Initial particle $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0$ sampled from \tilde{p}_0 , Terminal time T , Step size η, η' , Sample size n .

2: **for** $k = 0$ to $\lfloor T/\eta \rfloor - 1$ **do**

3: Set $\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{0}$;

4: Create n Monte Carlo samples to estimate

$$\mathbf{v}_k \approx \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim q_{T-t}} \left[-\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{k\eta} - e^{-(T-k\eta)} \mathbf{x}}{(1 - e^{-2(T-k\eta)})} \right], \text{ where } q_{T-t}(\mathbf{x} | \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{k\eta}) \propto \exp \left(-f_*(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{k\eta} - e^{-(T-k\eta)} \mathbf{x}\|^2}{2(1 - e^{-2(T-k\eta)})} \right).$$

5: $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{(k+1)\eta} = e^\eta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{k\eta} + (e^\eta - 1) \mathbf{v}_k + \xi$ where ξ is sampled from $\mathcal{N}(0, (e^{2\eta} - 1) \mathbf{I}_d)$.

6: **end for**

7: **Return:** $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\lfloor T/\eta \rfloor \eta}$.

Thanks & Questions