

DeepMind

From Denoising Diffusion Models to Dynamic Transport Models

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Generative Modeling

- **Formulation:** Given samples $(x_i)_{i=1}^N$ from distribution π , generate new samples distributed approximately from π .
- **Numerous applications**, e.g. data augmentation for downstream tasks (e.g. videos for self-driving cars), high-resolution nowcasting, data-driven priors for inverse problems/Bayesian inference.



From Ho et al., NeurIPS 2020

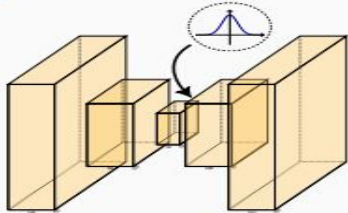


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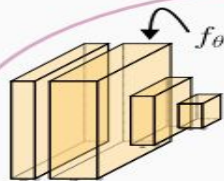
Generative Models

Variational AutoEncoder



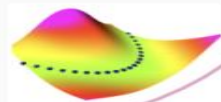
Kingma et al. (2014)
Rezende et al. (2014)
Ranganath et al. (2016)
Vahdat et al. (2021)

Energy-Based Model



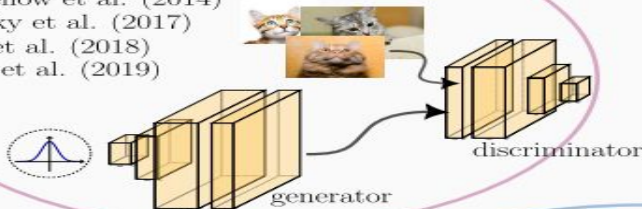
Zhu et al. (1998)
LeCun et al. (2006)
Hinton et al. (2006)
Du et al. (2019)

$$\frac{\exp[-f_{\theta}(x)]}{\int \exp[-f_{\theta}(\tilde{x})]d\tilde{x}}$$



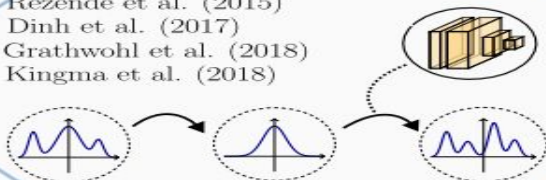
Generative Adversarial Network

Goodfellow et al. (2014)
Arjovsky et al. (2017)
Brock et al. (2018)
Karras et al. (2019)



Normalizing Flow

Rezende et al. (2015)
Dinh et al. (2017)
Grathwohl et al. (2018)
Kingma et al. (2018)



Denosing Diffusion Model

Song et al. (2019)
Ho et al. (2020)
Vahdat et al. (2021)



Denoising Diffusion Models



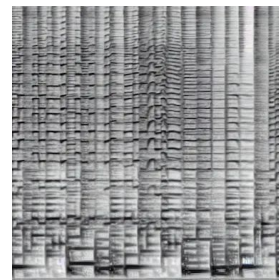
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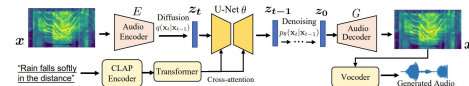
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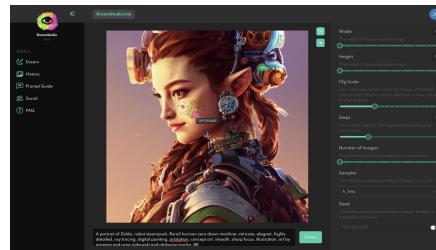
Riffusion



Make-an-audio



Runway



Stable Diffusion



Denosing Diffusions aka Score-Based Generative Models

- Having a hard time keeping up with the literature?
 - ▶ List of references: <https://scorebasedgenerativemodeling.github.io/>
- Advantages of the method:
 - ▶ **State-of-the-art** results Dhariwal and Nichol (2021); Karras et al. (2022).
 - ▶ **High flexibility** Poole et al. (2022); Rombach et al. (2022); Balaji et al. (2022); Saharia et al. (2022).
 - ▶ **Theoretical analysis** De Bortoli et al. (2021b); Chen et al. (2022); Pidstrigach (2022); Lee et al. (2022).
- Some drawbacks:
 - ▶ **Statistical understanding** is still limited.

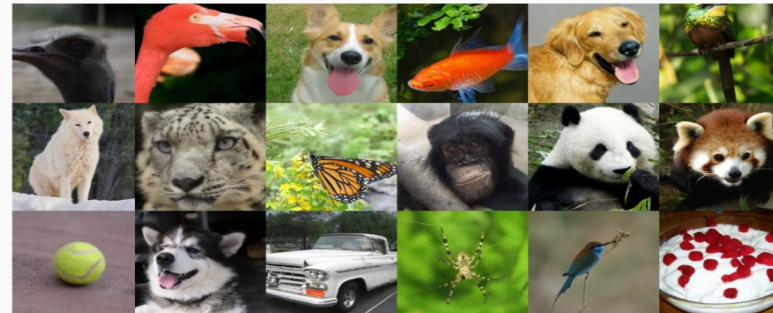
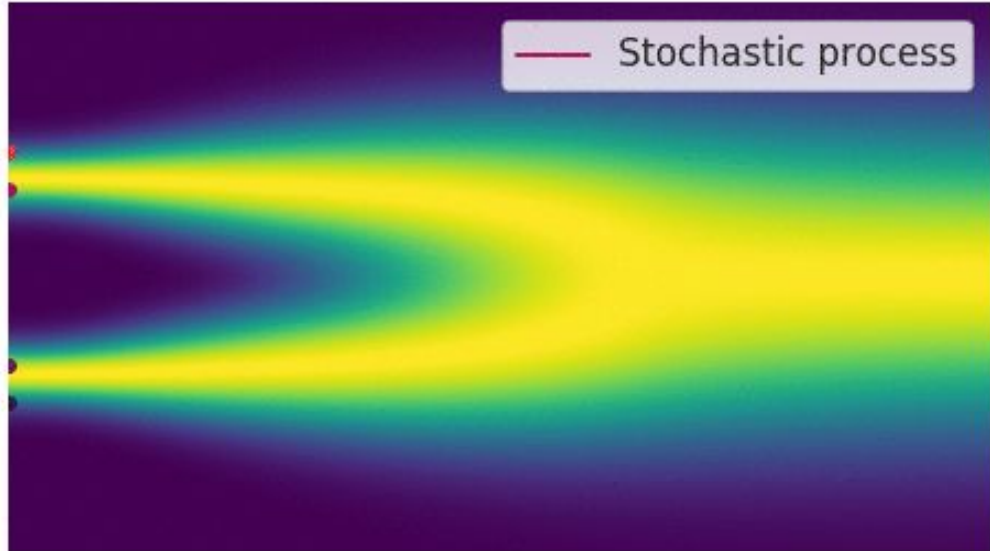


Figure 1: DDM results. Image extracted from Dhariwal and Nichol (2021).



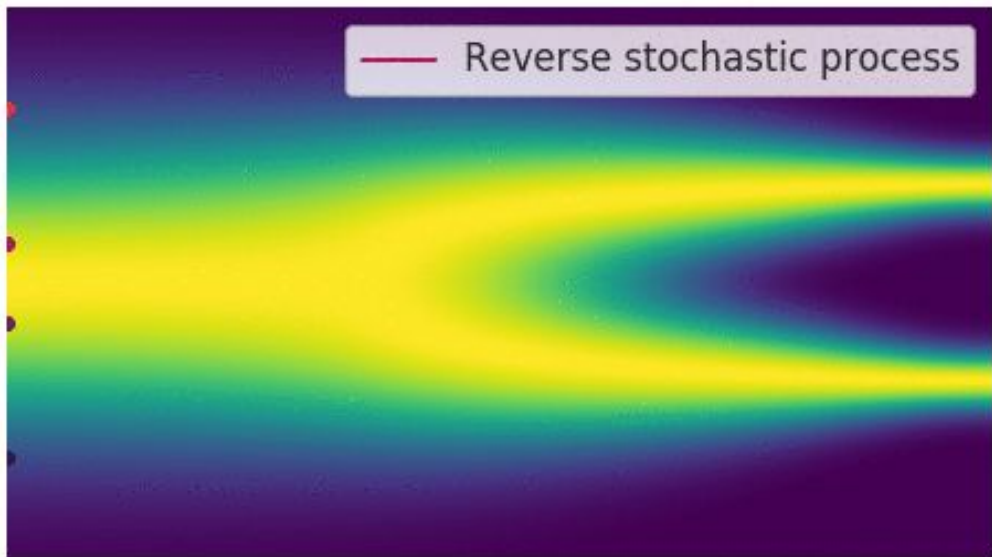
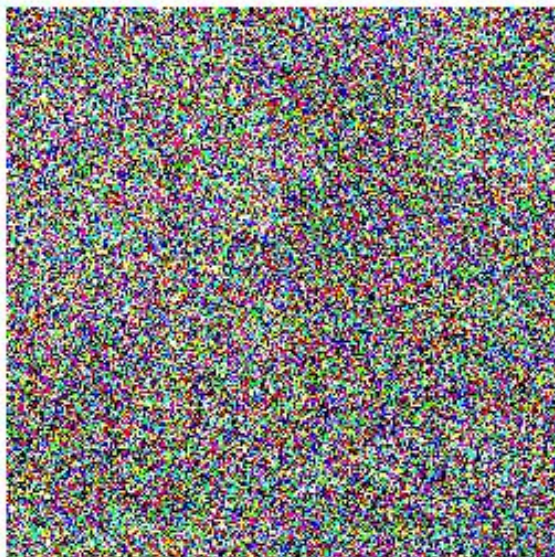
Introduction: Noising Mechanism



Bimodal distribution progressively diffused to Gaussian distribution



Introduction: Denoising Mechanism



Discrete-Time: Noising Process

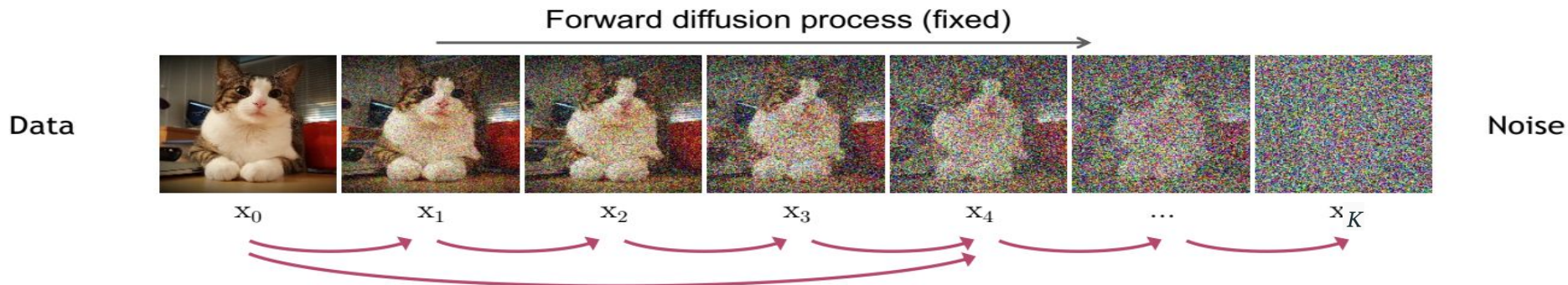


Fig. from Kreis, Gao and Vahdat, tutorial CVPR 2022.

- **At sample level:** Given data sample \mathbf{X}_0 , set for $k = 0, \dots, K - 1$

$$\mathbf{X}_{k+1} = \sqrt{1 - \beta} \mathbf{X}_k + \sqrt{\beta} \epsilon_{k+1}, \quad \epsilon_{k+1} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$

- **At distribution level:**

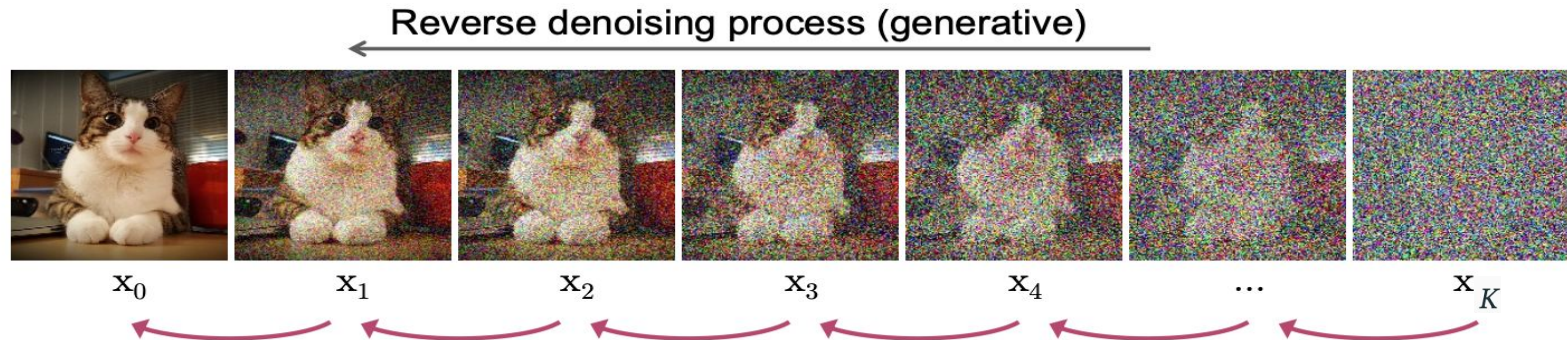
$$q(\mathbf{x}_{0:K}) = \underbrace{q_0(\mathbf{x}_0)}_{\text{data dist}} \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \underbrace{q(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} | \mathbf{x}_k)}_{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}; \sqrt{1 - \beta} \mathbf{x}_k, \beta I)}$$

so $q(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \sqrt{\alpha_k} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \alpha_k) I)$ with $\alpha_k = (1 - \beta)^k$ (Ho et al., 2020)



Discrete-Time: Denoising Process

Data



■ At distribution level: Ancestral Sampling

$$q(x_{0:K}) = q_K(x_K) \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} q(x_k | x_{k+1})$$

where Bayes' rule yields

$$q(x_k | x_{k+1}) = q(x_{k+1} | x_k) \overbrace{\frac{q_k(x_k)}{q_{k+1}(x_{k+1})}}^{\text{intractable}}$$

■ At sample level: Sample $\mathbf{X}_K \sim q_K$ then $\mathbf{X}_k \sim q(\cdot | \mathbf{X}_{k+1})$ for $k = K - 1, \dots, 0$.



Discrete-Time: Denoising Process

- **First step:** Use the fact that

$$q(x_k|x_{k+1}) = \frac{q(x_{k+1}|x_k)q_k(x_k)}{q_{k+1}(x_{k+1})} \propto q(x_{k+1}|x_k) \exp(\log q_k(x_k))$$

where $q_k \approx q_{k+1}$ and a Taylor expansion yields

$$\log q_k(x_k) \approx \log q_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) + \nabla \log q_{k+1}(x_{k+1})^T (x_k - x_{k+1}) \quad (*)$$

- **Second step:** Combining $q(x_{k+1}|x_k)$ and (*)

$$\begin{aligned} q(x_k|x_{k+1}) &\approx q(x_{k+1}|x_k) \exp[\nabla \log q_{k+1}(x_{k+1})^T (x_k - x_{k+1})] \\ &\approx \mathcal{N}\left(x_k; \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta}} \left(x_{k+1} + \beta \underbrace{\nabla \log q_{k+1}(x_{k+1})}_{\text{intractable}}\right), \beta I\right) \end{aligned}$$

intractable



From Discrete-Time to Continuous-Time

- **Noising diffusion**: consider the diffusion $(\mathbf{X}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = -\gamma\mathbf{X}_t dt + \sqrt{2\gamma}d\mathbf{B}_t, \quad \mathbf{X}_0 \sim q_0.$$

where $(\mathbf{B}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a Brownian motion and let $q_t = \text{Law}(\mathbf{X}_t)$.

\rightsquigarrow transports **data to noise**, i.e. q_0 to $q_T \approx \mathcal{N}(0, I)$.

- **Denoising diffusion** (Anderson, 1982): the time-reversal $(\mathbf{Y}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ with $\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{X}_{T-t}$ verifies

$$d\mathbf{Y}_t = \gamma(\mathbf{Y}_t + 2\nabla \log q_{T-t}(\mathbf{Y}_t))dt + \sqrt{2\gamma}d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{Y}_0 \sim q_T.$$

where $(\mathbf{W}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a Brownian motion.

\rightsquigarrow transports **noise to data**, i.e. $q_T \approx \mathcal{N}(0, I)$ to q_0 .

- **Problem**: Score $\nabla \log q_t$ is **intractable**.



Score Approximation

- **“Ideal” denoising diffusion:**

$$d\mathbf{Y}_t = \gamma(\mathbf{Y}_t + 2\nabla \log q_{T-t}(\mathbf{Y}_t))dt + \sqrt{2\gamma}d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{Y}_0 \sim q_T,$$

induces path measure \mathbb{P} .

- **Approximate denoising diffusion:**

$$d\mathbf{Y}_t = \gamma(\mathbf{Y}_t + 2s_\theta(T-t, \mathbf{Y}_t))dt + \sqrt{2\gamma}d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{Y}_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I),$$

induces path measure \mathbb{Q}_θ .

- **Learning the score:** Minimizing $\text{KL}(\mathbb{P}||\mathbb{Q}_\theta)$ w.r.t. θ is equivalent to minimizing

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\theta) &= \int_0^T \mathbb{E}[||s_\theta(t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \nabla \log q_t(\mathbf{X}_t)||^2]dt \\ &= \int_0^T \mathbb{E}[||s_\theta(t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \nabla \log q_{t|0}(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{X}_0)||^2]dt + C. \end{aligned}$$



What's the score?

■ Tweedie's formula

$$\nabla \log q_t(\mathbf{X}_t) = \mathbb{E}[\nabla \log q_{t|0}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{X}_0)].$$

■ **Explicit expression:** Ornstein–Uhlenbeck transition

$$q_{t|0}(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \alpha_t)I)$$

so

$$\nabla \log q_t(\mathbf{X}_t) = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t} \overbrace{\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_0 | \mathbf{X}_t]}^{\text{denoiser}} - \mathbf{X}_t}{1 - \alpha_t}.$$

Learning the score \iff **Learning a denoiser**



Benefits of Continuous-Time

- **Sophisticated numerical integrators**, predictor-corrector schemes.
- **Probability flow ODE** (Song et al., 2021):

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = -\gamma(\mathbf{X}_t + \nabla \log q_t(\mathbf{X}_t))dt, \quad \mathbf{X}_0 \sim q_0$$

admits same marginals as noising diffusion; i.e. $\text{Law}(\mathbf{X}_t) = q_t$
 \rightsquigarrow transports **data to noise**, i.e. q_0 to $q_T \approx \mathcal{N}(0, I)$.

- **Deterministic generation**: Let $\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{X}_{T-t}$ then

$$d\mathbf{Y}_t = \gamma(\mathbf{Y}_t + \nabla \log q_{T-t}(\mathbf{Y}_t))dt, \quad \mathbf{Y}_0 \sim q_T$$

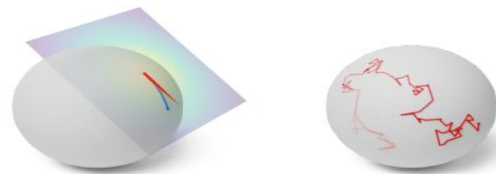
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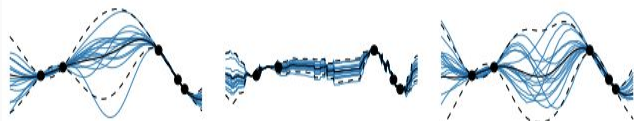
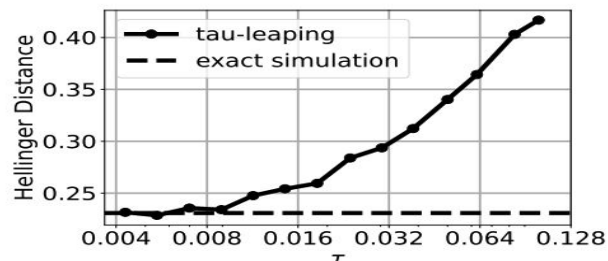
Extensions Beyond \mathbb{R}^d

- **Riemmanian manifolds** (De Bortoli et al., 2022; Huang et al., 2022): applications to protein backbone generation (Watson et al., 2022) and joint grasp and motion optimization (Urain et al., 2022).
- **Discrete state-space** (Campbell et al., 2022): allows to exploit fast samplers from chemical physics.
- **Simplex** (Benton et al., 2022; Richemond et al., 2022): application to compositional data.
- **Function spaces** (Dutordoir et al., 2022; Kerrigan et al., 2022)

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(a) A single step of a Geodesic Random Walk. (b) Many steps yield an approximate trajectory.



(a) GP Regression

(b) Attentive Latent NP

(c) Neural Diffusion Process (ours)

Dutordoir et al., "Neural Diffusion Processes"



Trans-dimensional generative modeling via jump diffusions

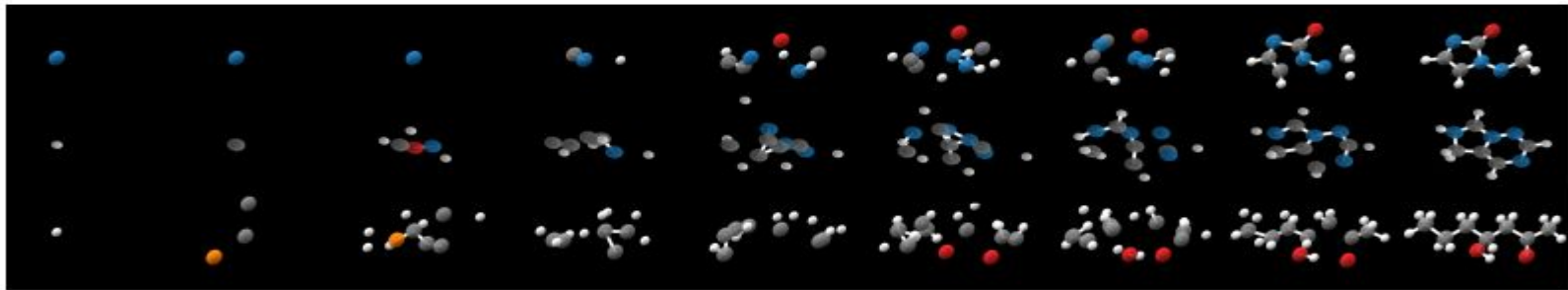
- **Data of varying dimension:** molecules with varying number of atoms, videos with varying number of frames; i.e. π lives on $\cup_{n=1}^{n_{\max}} \mathbb{R}^n$.
- **Difficulties:** Training n_{\max} models expensive and conditional generation would require predicting n given observations.
- **Jump Diffusion:** We diffuse and kill components until one remains and is Gaussian, time-reversal adds components.

Algorithm 1: Sampling the Generative Process

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 $t \leftarrow T$ 
 $\mathbf{X} \sim p_{\text{ref}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{I}\{n = 1\} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; 0, I_d)$ 
while  $t > 0$  do
  if  $u < \overleftarrow{\lambda}_t^\theta(\mathbf{X}) \delta t$  with  $u \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$  then
    Sample  $\mathbf{x}^{\text{add}}, i \sim A_t^\theta(\mathbf{x}^{\text{add}}, i | \mathbf{X})$ 
     $\mathbf{X} \leftarrow \text{ins}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{x}^{\text{add}}, i)$ 
  end
   $\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} - \overleftarrow{\mathbf{b}}_t^\theta(\mathbf{X}) \delta t + g_t \sqrt{\delta t} \epsilon$  with  $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I_{nd})$ 
   $\mathbf{X} \leftarrow (n, \mathbf{x}), t \leftarrow t - \delta t$ 
end

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Visualization of the jump-diffusion backward generative process on molecules.



Beyond Diffusion Models: Transport using ODEs

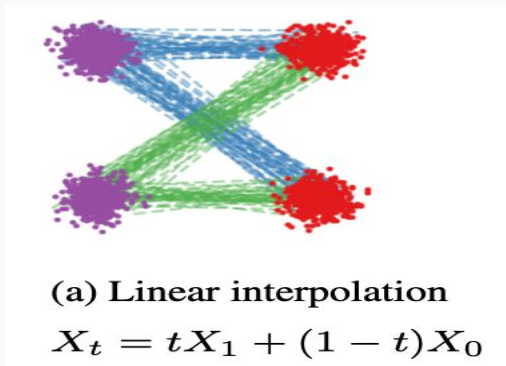
- **Diffusion models:** noising “transports” π_0 to $\pi_T \approx \mathcal{N}(0, I)$, denoising does the reverse.
- **Limitations:** What if T is not large enough? What if you want π_T be non-normal? Do we need diffusions at all?
- **ODE Transport Models:** stochastic interpolants (Albergo and Vanden-Eijnden, 2023), flow matching (Lipman et al., 2023), rectified flow (Liu et al., 2023): Let $\mathbf{X}_0 \sim \pi_0$ then $\mathbf{X}_1 = \Phi(\mathbf{X}_0) \sim \pi_1$ where Φ is built using an ODE whose drift is learned using samples of π_0, π_1 .
- Connections to **Optimal Transport** unclear.



Transport using ODEs: Flow Matching

- **Path Measure:** Let $\mathbf{X}_0 \sim \pi_0$, $\mathbf{X}_1 \sim \pi_1$ and

$$\mathbf{X}_t = (1 - t)\mathbf{X}_0 + t\mathbf{X}_1 \sim \pi_t$$



Liu et al., "Flow Straight and Fast", ICLR 2023

- **Useless Transport ODE:** As $\mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{X}_0 + t(\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_0)$ then the ODE

$$\frac{d\mathbf{X}_t}{dt} = \mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_0 = \frac{\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_t}{1 - t}, \quad \mathbf{X}_0 \sim \pi_0, \mathbf{X}_1 \sim \pi_1,$$

is such that $\mathbf{X}_t \sim \pi_t$.



Transport using ODEs: Flow Matching

- **Useful Transport ODE:** The ODE with drift

$$v(t, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_0 | \mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{x}] = \frac{\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_1 | \mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{x}] - \mathbf{x}}{1 - t}$$

is such that $\mathbf{X}_t \sim \pi_t$!

- **Learning the Drift:** $v_{\theta^*}(t, \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x}_{\theta^*}^*(t, \mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}) / (1 - t) \approx v(t, \mathbf{x})$ by minimizing

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_{\theta}(t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \mathbf{X}_1\|^2]$$



(a) Linear interpolation
 $\mathbf{X}_t = t\mathbf{X}_1 + (1 - t)\mathbf{X}_0$

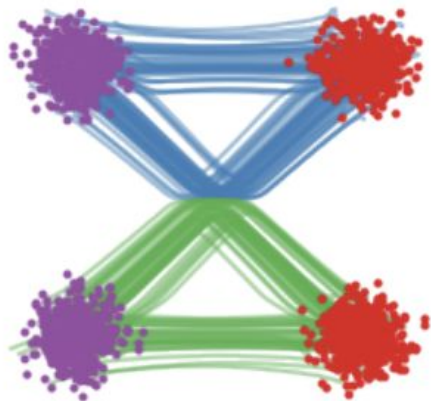


(b) Rectified flow Z_t
induced by $(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_1)$

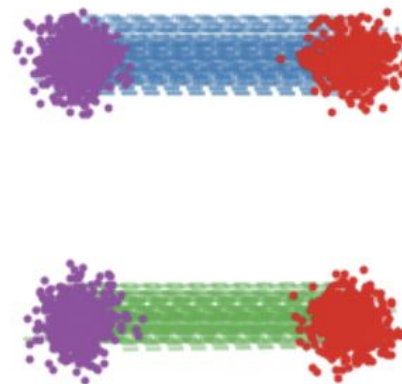
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Transport using ODEs: Flow Matching



Non-optimal transport



Optimal transport



Optimal Transport

- The **unpaired problem**:
 - ▶ Learn a **coupling** Π between π_0 and π_1 .
 - ▶ Learn to **sample** from this coupling Π .

Optimal transport (Monge-Kantorovich formulation)

Find a **coupling** Π^* such that

$$\Pi^* = \operatorname{argmin} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d} \|x - y\|^2 d\Pi(x, y), \Pi_0 = \pi_0, \Pi_1 = \pi_1 \right\}.$$

- ▶ Sample from π_0 and then $\Pi_{1|0}^*$ to get a sample from π_1 .

- **Limitations** of the formulation:

- ▶ Can be **unstable**.
- ▶ Even for discrete data, **very costly**.

- Solution? **Entropic regularization!**

- ▶ H is the **entropy**.
- ▶ $\sigma^2 > 0$ a **regularization** parameter.



Schrödinger Bridge: From Static to Dynamic

Static formulation

$$\Pi^* = \operatorname{argmin}\left\{\int_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2 d\Pi(x, y) - \sigma^2 \mathbf{H}(\Pi), \Pi_0 = \pi_0, \Pi_1 = \pi_1\right\}.$$

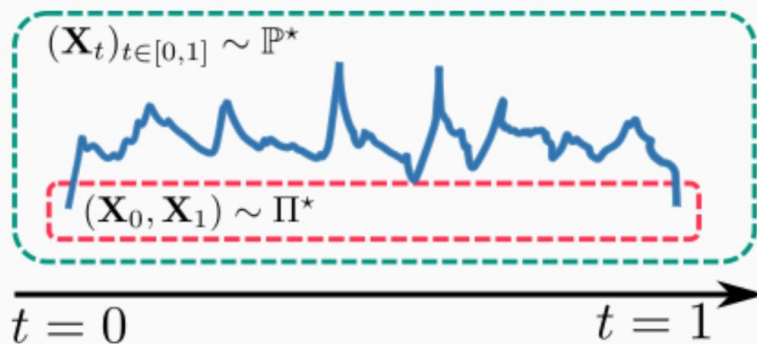
Dynamic formulation

Find \mathbb{P}^* a **path measure** such that

$$\mathbb{P}^* = \operatorname{argmin}\left\{\operatorname{KL}(\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{Q}), \mathbb{P}_0 = \pi_0, \mathbb{P}_1 = \pi_1\right\}.$$

► \mathbb{Q} is associated with $(\sigma \mathbf{B}_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$, with $(\mathbf{B}_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ a **Brownian motion**.

■ From dynamic to static: $\mathbb{P}_{0,1}^* = \Pi^*$.



Dynamic formulation (Schrödinger Bridge)

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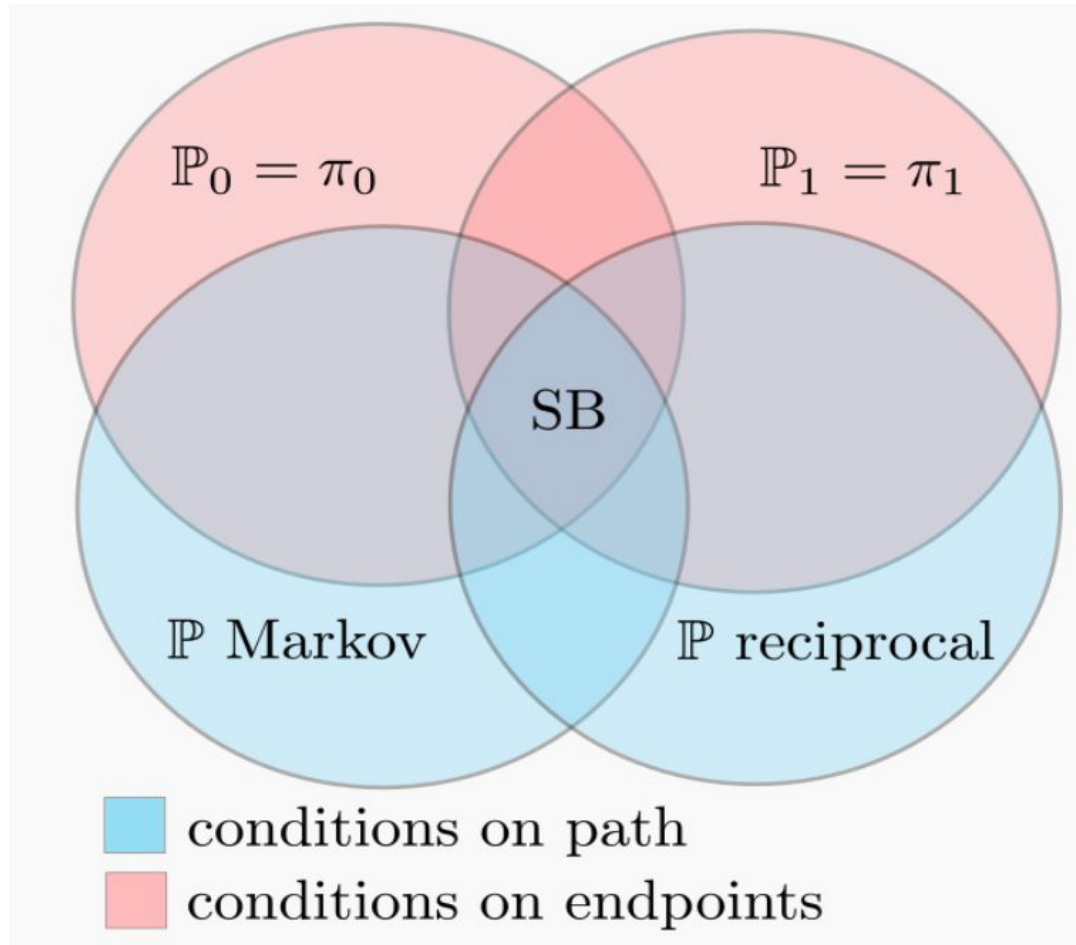
▶ \mathbb{Q} is associated with $(\sigma \mathbf{B}_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$, with $(\mathbf{B}_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ a **Brownian motion**.

- \mathbb{P}^* is called the **Schrödinger Bridge**.
- Can be thought of:
 - ▶ **Closest path measure** to \mathbb{Q} such that,
 - ▶ the **marginal constraints** are respected.
- Given Π^* , how to sample from \mathbb{P}^* ?
 - ▶ Sample $(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_1) \sim \Pi^*$.
 - ▶ Sample $\mathbf{X}_t = (1-t)\mathbf{X}_0 + t\mathbf{X}_1 + \sigma\sqrt{t(1-t)}\mathbf{Z}$, $\mathbf{Z} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \operatorname{Id})$.
 - ▶ “ \mathbb{P}^* is in the **reciprocal class** of \mathbb{Q} ” (see [Thieullen \(1993\)](#)).

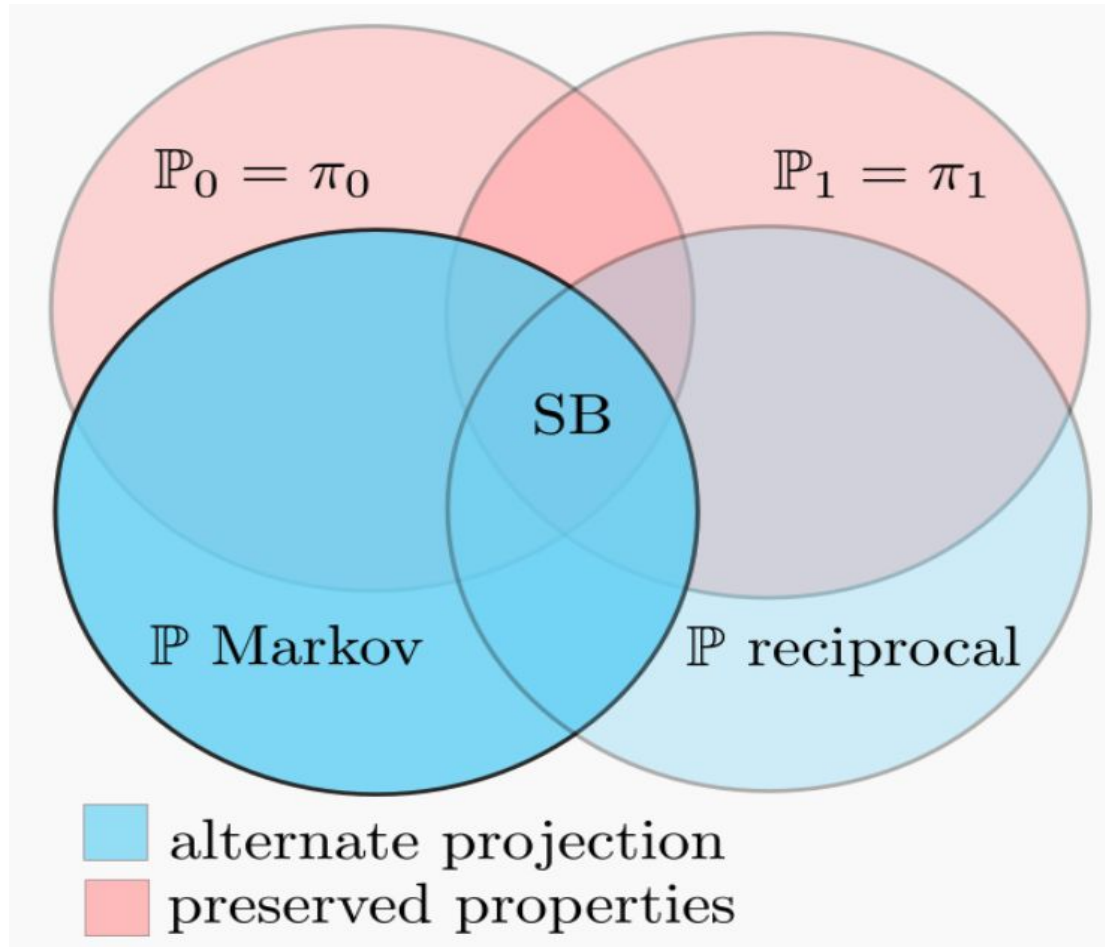


Schrödinger Bridge

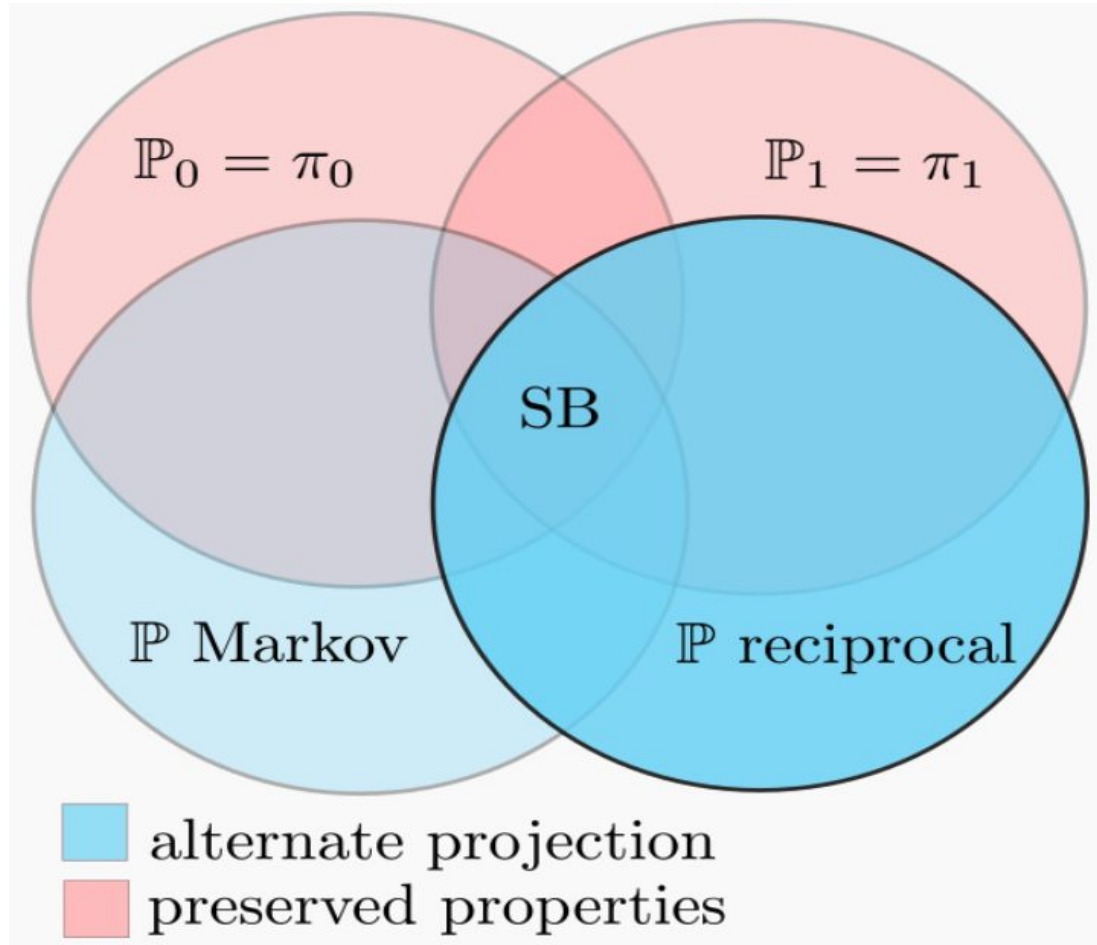
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Iterative Markovian Fitting



Iterative Markovian Fitting



Markovian Projection

- Start with \mathbb{P} **non-Markov**, $(\mathbf{X}_t)_{t \in [0,1]} \sim \mathbb{P}$,

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = b(t, \mathbf{X}_t, \mathbf{X}_1)dt + \sigma d\mathbf{B}_t$$

future dependency

with $b(t, \mathbf{X}_t, \mathbf{X}_1)$ linear in \mathbf{X}_1 .

- **Markovian projection** = remove the dependency on the future.

- ▶ Preserve **marginals** for free!

- In **practice**:

- ▶ Loss function $\|x_\theta(t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \mathbf{X}_1\|^2$.

- ▶ *At equilibrium*: $x_\theta(t, x_t) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_1 | \mathbf{X}_t]$.

- ▶ $d\mathbf{X}_t = b(t, \mathbf{X}_t, x_\theta(t, \mathbf{X}_t))dt + \sigma d\mathbf{B}_t$.

- The special case of **flow matching** (Lipman et al., 2022):

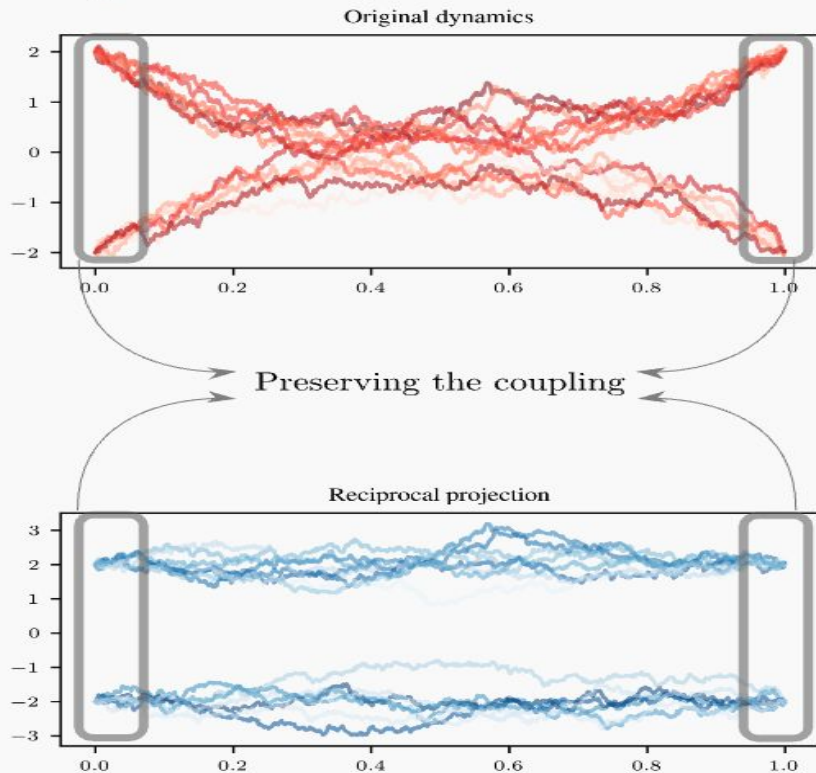
- ▶ $(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_1) \sim \pi_0 \otimes \pi_1$, $\mathbf{X}_t = t\mathbf{X}_1 + (1 - t)\mathbf{X}_0$.

- ▶ $d\mathbf{X}_t = (\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_t)/(1 - t)dt$.



Reciprocal Projection

- \mathbb{P} in the **reciprocal class** if for $(\mathbf{X}_t)_{t \in [0,1]} \sim \mathbb{P}$:
 - ▶ $\mathbf{X}_t = (1 - t)\mathbf{X}_0 + t\mathbf{X}_1 + \sigma\sqrt{t(1 - t)}\mathbf{Z}$, $\mathbf{Z} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \text{Id})$.
 - ▶ “Same bridge as the **Brownian bridge**”.
- Projection on the reciprocal class (no neural network involved).



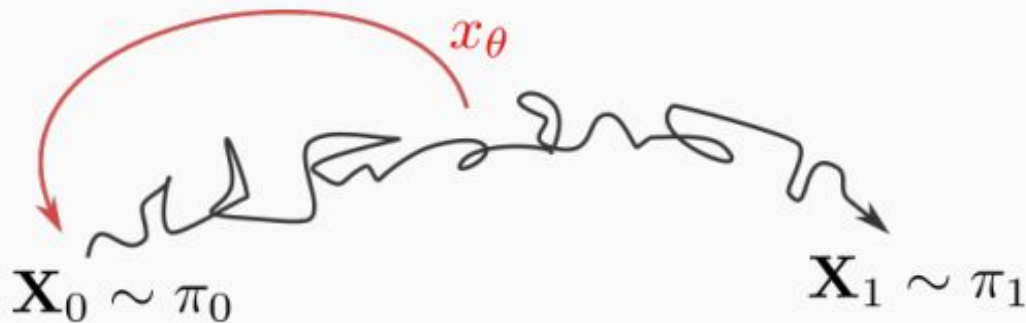
Diffusion Schrödinger Bridge Matching

■ Diffusion Schrödinger Bridge matching:

- ▶ **Alternating projections** on **Markov measures** and **reciprocal class**.
- ▶ two networks: x_θ (backward), x_ϕ (forward).

■ DSBM iteration 1: **training of the backward**

- ▶ Sample from $(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_1) \sim \pi_0 \otimes \pi_1$.
- ▶ Sample $\mathbf{X}_t = (1 - t)\mathbf{X}_0 + t\mathbf{X}_1 + \sigma\sqrt{t(1 - t)}\mathbf{Z}$, $\mathbf{Z} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \text{Id})$.
- ▶ Loss $\|x_\theta(1 - t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \mathbf{X}_0\|^2$.



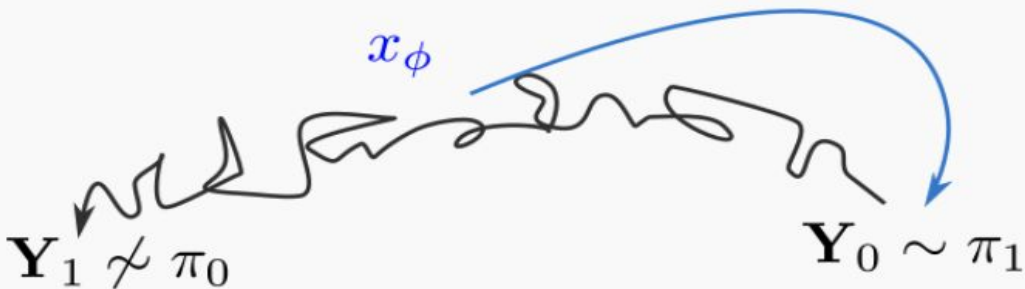
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■ Diffusion Schrödinger Bridge matching:

- ▶ Alternating projections on **Markov measures** and **reciprocal class**.
- ▶ two networks: x_θ (backward), x_ϕ (forward).

■ DSBM iteration 2: **training of the forward**

- ▶ Sample from $\mathbf{Y}_0 \sim \pi_1$, $d\mathbf{Y}_t = (x_\theta(t, \mathbf{Y}_t) - \mathbf{Y}_t)/(1-t)dt + \sigma d\mathbf{B}_t$.
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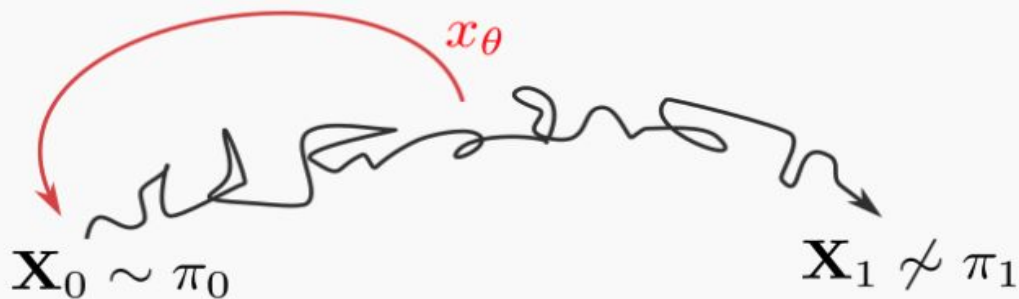
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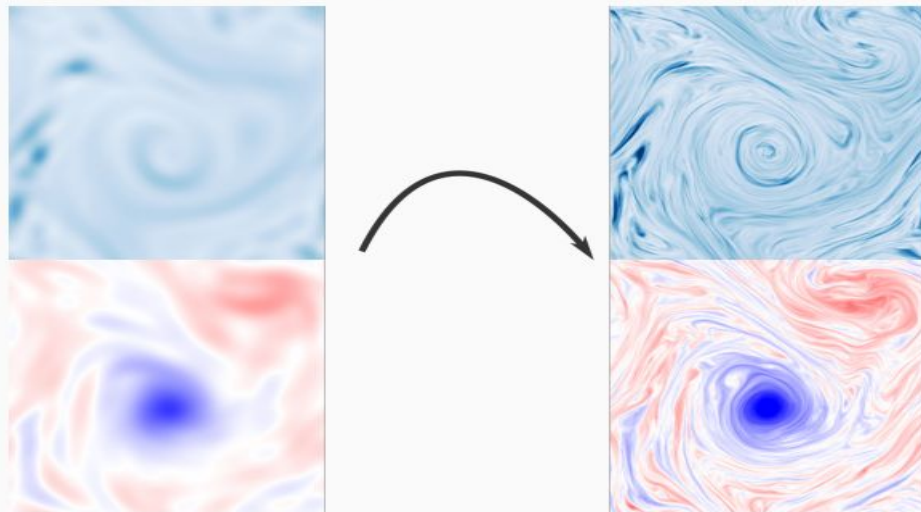
■ DSBM iteration 3: **training of the backward**

- ▶ Sample from $\mathbf{X}_0 \sim \pi_0$, $d\mathbf{X}_t = (x_\phi(t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \mathbf{X}_t)/(1-t)dt + \sigma d\mathbf{B}_t$.
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- ▶ Sample $\mathbf{X}_t = (1-t)\mathbf{X}_0 + t\mathbf{X}_1 + \sigma\sqrt{t(1-t)}\mathbf{Z}$, $\mathbf{Z} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \text{Id})$.
- ▶ Loss $\|x_\theta(1-t, \mathbf{X}_t) - \mathbf{X}_0\|^2$.



Climate Science Experiment

- Dataset Bischoff and Deck (2023):
 - ▶ **Supersaturation** and **vorticity** field.
 - ▶ Low resolution ($64 \times 64 \times 2$) to high resolution ($512 \times 512 \times 2$).
- **Goal**: superresolution (downscaling)



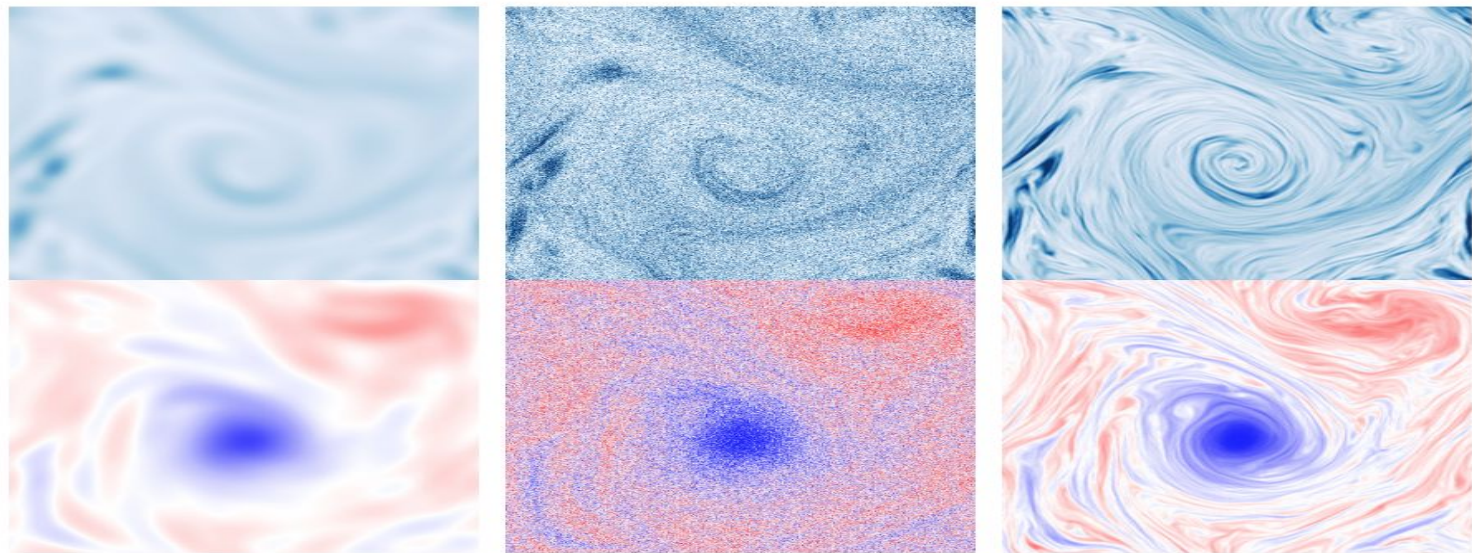
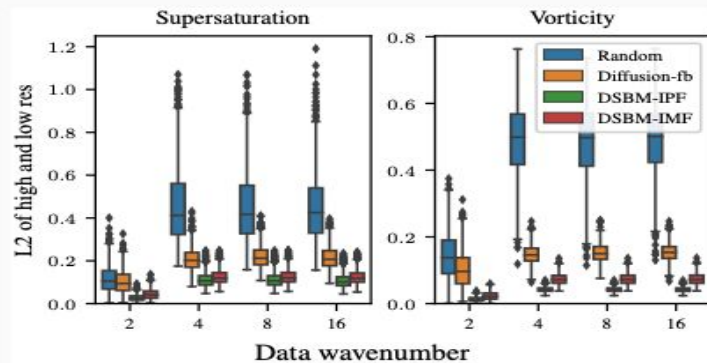
■ Unpaired problem

- for downscaling tasks, paired datasets of high and low resolution climate *simulations* do not truly exist, due to deterministic chaos and the feedback of small scale motion to large scales;



Climate Science Experiment

- Same setting as [Bischoff and Deck \(2023\)](#).
- **Super resolution** task.
- Quality measure (frequency histogram).
- Similarity measure (ℓ_2 with upscaling).



Discussion

- **Denoising Diffusion Models** provide state-of-the-art performance in numerous domains: image, audio, proteins etc.
- **Dynamic transport** alternatives are now also available.
- A lot of **open problems** at the interface of control, generative modeling, transport and sampling.

