# **UDPM: Upsampling Diffusion Probabilistic Models**

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# Introduction

• Given a dataset of samples taken from an unknown distribution q(x)



- The target is to learn the data distribution q(x)
- Generate different samples from the same distribution q(x).



# Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models

$$\mathbf{x}_{T} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{t} \xrightarrow[\kappa_{k-1}]{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} \xrightarrow[\mathbf{x}_{t-1}]{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} \xrightarrow[\mathbf{x}_{t-1}]{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{0}$$

• Construct a Markovian diffusion process

**Forward Process:** 

 $q(x_t|x_{t-1}) := \mathcal{N}(\alpha_t x_{t-1}, \sigma_t^2 I)$ 

**Backward Process:** 

$$p(x_{t-1}|x_t) := \mathcal{N}(\mu(x_t; t), \Sigma_t)$$

• The goal is to learn the distribution of the backward process

$$p_{\theta}(x_{0:T}) := p(x_T) \prod_{t=1}^{T} p_{\theta}(x_{t-1}|x_t)$$

- Although DDPM have shown great generation results, they have two major issues
  - $\rightarrow$  Long inference runtime (1000 denoising steps).
  - $\rightarrow$  Large and uninterpretable latent space.

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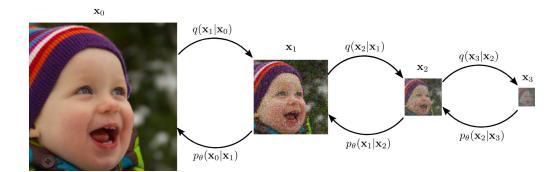
• Construct a diffusion process

#### **Forward Process:**

 $q(\mathbf{x}_l|\mathbf{x}_{l-1}) := \mathcal{N}(\alpha_l \mathcal{H} \mathbf{x}_{l-1}, \sigma_l^2 \mathbf{I}),$ 

**Backward Process:** 

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{l-1}|\mathbf{x}_l) := \mathcal{N}(\mu(\mathbf{x}_l; l), \Sigma_l),$$



• Training objective

$$D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{1:L}|\mathbf{x}_0)||p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{1:L}|\mathbf{x}_0)) := \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:L}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{1:L}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \right] = \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0) \underbrace{-\mathbf{E}_q \left[ \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:L})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:L}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \right]}_{\mathrm{ELBO}} \longrightarrow \ell_{\mathrm{simple}}^{(l)} = \|f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_l) - \mathcal{H}^{l-1}\mathbf{x}_0\|_2^2$$

• In practice

$$\ell = \lambda_{\rm fid}^{(l)} \ell_{\rm simple} + \lambda_{\rm per}^{(l)} \ell_{\rm per} + \lambda_{\rm adv}^{(l)} \ell_{\rm adv}$$

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• Similar to DDPM, we would like to choose H such that

$$q(\mathbf{x}_l|\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\bar{\alpha}_l \mathcal{H}^l \mathbf{x}_0, \tilde{\sigma}_l^2 \mathbf{I})$$
 where  $\bar{\alpha}_l = \prod_{k=0}^l \alpha_k$ , and  $\tilde{\sigma}_l = \bar{\alpha}_l^2 \sum_{k=1}^l \frac{\sigma_k^2}{\bar{\alpha}_l^2}$ 

• Satisfied when the following *Lemma* holds

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\mathbf{e} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}) \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $\mathcal{H} = S_{\gamma} \mathcal{W}$ , where  $S_{\gamma}$  is a subsampling operator with stride  $\gamma$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  is a blur operator with blur kernel  $\mathbf{w}$ . Then, if the support of  $\mathbf{w}$  is at most  $\gamma$ , we have  $\mathcal{H}\mathbf{e} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 \mathbf{I})$ .

• Using Bayes

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{l-1}|\mathbf{x}_l,\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mu(\mathbf{x}_l,\mathbf{x}_0,l),\Sigma_l),$$

where

$$\Sigma_l = \left( \frac{\alpha_l^2}{\sigma_l^2} \mathcal{H}^T \mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\sigma}_{l-1}} \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1},$$

and

$$\mu(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{x}_0, l) = \Sigma_l \left( \frac{\alpha_l}{\sigma_l^2} \mathcal{H}^T \mathbf{x}_l + \frac{\bar{\alpha}_{l-1}}{\tilde{\sigma}_{l-1}^2} \mathcal{H}^{l-1} \mathbf{x}_0 \right).$$

Algorithm 1 UDPM training algorithm

**Require:**  $f_{\theta}(\cdot), L, q(\mathbf{x}), D_{\phi}(\cdot)$ 1: while Not converged do 2:  $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x})$ 3:  $l \in \{1, 2, \dots, L\}$ 4:  $\mathbf{e} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$ 5:  $\mathbf{x}_l = ar{lpha}_l \mathcal{H}^l \mathbf{x}_0 + ar{\sigma}_l \mathbf{e}$  $\ell = \lambda_{\text{fid}}^{(l)} \ell_{\text{simple}} + \lambda_{\text{per}}^{(l)} \ell_{\text{per}} + \lambda_{\text{adv}}^{(l)} \ell_{\text{adv}}$ 6: ADAM step on  $\theta$ 7: 8: Adversarial ADAM step on  $\phi$ 9: end while 10: return  $f_{\theta}(\cdot)$ 

Algorithm 2 UDPM sampling algorithm

**Require:**  $f_{\theta}(\cdot), L$ 1:  $\mathbf{x}_{L} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$ 2: for all l = L, ..., 1 do 3:  $\Sigma = \left(\frac{\alpha_{l}^{2}}{\sigma_{l}^{2}}\mathcal{H}^{T}\mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\sigma}_{l-1}^{2}}\mathbf{I}\right)^{-1}$ 4:  $\mu_{\theta} = \Sigma \left[\frac{\alpha_{l}}{\sigma_{l}^{2}}\mathcal{H}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{l} + \frac{\bar{\alpha}_{l-1}}{\tilde{\sigma}_{l-1}^{2}}f_{\theta}^{(l)}(\mathbf{x}_{l})\right]$ 5:  $\mathbf{x}_{l-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\theta}, \Sigma)$ 6: end for 7: return  $\mathbf{x}_{0}$ 

## UDPM - Results



Figure 1: Generated  $64 \times 64$  images of AFHQv2 with **FID=7.10142**, produced using unconditional UDPM with only 3 steps, which are equivalent to 0.3 of a single typical  $64 \times 64$  diffusion step.



Figure 2: Generated  $64 \times 64$  images of FFHQ with **FID=7.41065**, produced using unconditional UDPM with only 3 steps, which are equivalent to 0.3 of a single typical  $64 \times 64$  diffusion step.

	steps	FID
DDIM	10/5	13.36/93.51
DPM-Solver	10/5	6.96/288.99
EDM	35/5	1.79/35.54
GENIE	5	11.20
DEIS	5	15.37
GGDM	5	13.77
DDGAN	2	4.08
TDPM	1	8.91
СТ	1	8.70
UDPM (ours)	<1	6.86

Table 1: FID scores on the CIFAR10 dataset. UDPM uses 3 steps, which are equivalent in terms of complexity to 30% of a single denoising step used in typical diffusion models like DDPM or EDM.

# UDPM - Ablation Studies

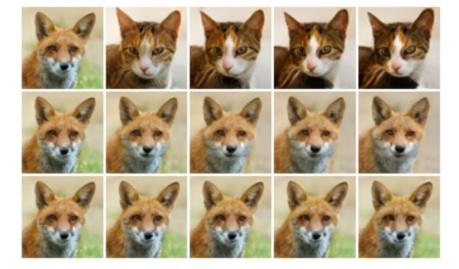
• Latent space interpolation



#### UDPM - Ablation Studies

• Single diffusion step perturbation





noise deviation

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