

#### Tutorial on Diffusion Models for Medical Imaging



### **Tutorial Schedule**

#### □ Introduction [1:30pm-2:30pm]

What? Why? How?
 Understanding and Intuition
 DEMO - MONAI Generative Models
 Coding tutorial on DDPM

#### Advanced Topics [2:30pm-3:30pm]

□ Sampling Strategies

□ Inference-time Conditioning

□ Training-time Conditioning

DEMO - MONAI Generative Models

DDIM Inversion + Classifier-free guidance

- □ Applications in Medical Imaging [4pm-5pm]
  - Synthesis
  - Reconstruction
  - Segmentation
  - □ Registration
  - □ Inpainting
  - Anomaly Detection
  - Miscellaneous
- □ Panel Discussion [5pm-6pm]

# **Diffusion Models** *What? Why? How?*

#### What? Generative Models



 $\mathcal{M} = \{ VAE, GAN, NF, Diffusion Models \}$ 

#### What? Generative Models

Density Estimation  $p_{\theta}(x)$ 

 $p_{\theta} \in \mathcal{M}$ Model family

Sampling  $x_{new} \sim p_{\theta}$ 

Unsupervised Representation Learning  $z \leftarrow p_{\theta}(x)$ 

#### What? Generative models



likelihood-based models

#### Require

- <u>inductive bias</u> to ensure a tractable normalizing constant for likelihood computation; or
- <u>surrogate objectives</u> to approximate ML training.

#### implicit generative models

Require adversarial training:

- notoriously unstable; leading to
- mode collapse

#### diffusion models bypass both with neat tricks

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#### Sampling Trilemma



### Why? Unprecedented Quality

"realistic photo of a cybernetic Eagle"

Realism
 Control
 Prior



 $\square$ 



Tribe taking a selfie ..."

"A dystopian male face made of volcanic lava, mysterious, image containing secret codes"





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### Why? Community Push

#### Companies

Big models and data



stability.ai





**Open-Source** Ease of Use





**Generative Models** 

### Why? Medical Imaging Popularity



Kazerouni, Amirhossein, et al. "Diffusion models in medical imaging: A comprehensive survey." Medical Image Analysis (2023): 102846.

### Why? Medical Imaging Applications





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#### How? Training by Denoising



How? Inference





## **Understanding and Intuition**

#### **Score Function**

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{-f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})}}{Z_{\theta}}$$

$$\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \log e^{-f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})} - \log Z_{\theta}$$

$$Z_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log Z_{\theta}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\theta}$$
How to learn it?

#### Mixture of two Gaussians

Score function (the vector field) Density function (contours)



#### **Denoising Score Matching**

How to learn the score?

$$\mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{x})} \left\| \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x})}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \underbrace{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x})}_{\mathbf{2}} \right\|_{2}^{2}$$

 $\mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{x})} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x})\|_2^2$ 

Diffusion Model

**Forward Process** 

$$p_t(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}) \approx p_{data}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$p_t(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}, (1 - \alpha_t)\mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \epsilon$$
,  $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$ 

*Gaussian* is a common perturbation



 $\frac{\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}}{\sigma_t^2}$ 

#### Learning the Score

$$\mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{x})} \| \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}) \|_2^2$$



Vincent, Pascal. "A connection between score matching and denoising autoencoders." Neural computation 23.7 (2011): 1661-1674. Image from blog post by Yang Song https://yang-song.net/blog/2021/score/

#### Perturbation at many scales



Learning in **low** density regions

#### **Diffusion** Models Learn the Gradient



Sohl-Dickstein, J., Weiss, E., Maheswaranathan, N., & Ganguli, S. (2015). Deep unsupervised learning using nonequilibrium thermodynamics. In International Conference on Machine Learning.

 $\nabla_x \log p(x)$ 



Slide inspired in CVPRs 2022 tutorial on diffusion models

#### **Gaussian Perturbation?**



[1] Daras, Giannis, et al. "Soft diffusion: Score matching for general corruptions." arXiv preprint arXiv:2209.05442 (2022).

[2] Bansal, Arpit, et al. "Cold diffusion: Inverting arbitrary image transforms without noise." arXiv preprint arXiv:2208.09392 (2022).

[3] Kascenas, Antanas, et al. "The role of noise in denoising models for anomaly detection in medical images." Medical Image Analysis (2023): 102963.

#### **Diffusion and Differential Equations**

□ Perturbation process is a Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE)

□ From complex to simple

□ Allow different values for SDE modelling



 $d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)dt + g(t)d\mathbf{w}$ 

Stochastic process

#### Reversing the Process is Generation

□ Samplers are discrete solutions of the reverse-time SDE



 $\mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x},t) - g^2(t) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})] \mathrm{d}t + g(t) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{w}$ 

#### The Design Space

	VP [49]	VE [49]	iDDPM [37] + DDIM [47]	Ours ("EDM")					
Sampling (Section 3)									
ODE solver	Euler	Euler	Euler	2 <sup>nd</sup> order Heun					
Time steps $t_{i < N}$	$1 + \frac{i}{N-1}(\epsilon_{\rm s} - 1)$	$\sigma_{\max}^2 \left(\sigma_{\min}^2/\sigma_{\max}^2\right)^{rac{i}{N-1}}$	$u_{\lfloor j_0 + \frac{M-1-j_0}{N-1}i + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor}, \text{ where } u_M = 0$	$ \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{\max}^{\frac{1}{\rho}} + \\ \frac{i}{N-1} (\sigma_{\min}^{\frac{1}{\rho}} - \sigma_{\max}^{\frac{1}{\rho}}) \end{pmatrix}^{\rho} $					
			$u_{j-1} = \sqrt{\frac{u_j^2 + 1}{\max(\bar{\alpha}_{j-1}/\bar{\alpha}_j, C_1)}} - 1$						
Schedule $\sigma(t)$	$\sqrt{e^{\frac{1}{2}\beta_{\rm d}t^2+\beta_{\rm min}t}\!-\!1}$	$\sqrt{t}$	t .	t					
Scaling $s(t)$	$1/\sqrt{e^{rac{1}{2}eta_{\mathrm{d}}t^2+eta_{\mathrm{min}}t}}$	1	1	1					
Network and precond	tioning (Section 5)								
Architecture of $F_{\theta}$	DDPM++	NCSN++	DDPM	(any)					
Skip scaling $c_{skip}(\sigma)$	1	1	1	$\sigma_{ m data}^2/\left(\sigma^2+\sigma_{ m data}^2 ight)$					
Output scaling $c_{\text{out}}(\sigma)$	$-\sigma$	$\sigma$	$-\sigma$	$\sigma \cdot \sigma_{ m data}/\sqrt{\sigma_{ m data}^2+\sigma^2}$					
Input scaling $c_{in}(\sigma)$	$1/\sqrt{\sigma^2+1}$	1	$1/\sqrt{\sigma^2+1}$	$1/\sqrt{\sigma^2+\sigma_{ m data}^2}$					
Noise cond. $c_{noise}(\sigma)$	$(M-1) \sigma^{-1}(\sigma)$	$\ln(\frac{1}{2}\sigma)$	$M-1-rgmin_j  u_j - \sigma $	$\frac{1}{4}\ln(\sigma)$					
Training (Section 5)									
Noise distribution	$\sigma^{-1}(\sigma) \sim \mathcal{U}(\epsilon_{t}, 1)$	$\ln(\sigma) \sim \mathcal{U}(\ln(\sigma_{\min})),$	$\sigma = u_j, \ j \sim \mathcal{U}\{0, M-1\}$	$\ln(\sigma) \sim \mathcal{N}(P_{\text{mean}}, P_{\text{std}}^2)$					
Loss weighting $\lambda(\sigma)$	$1/\sigma^2$	$1/\sigma^2$ $\ln(\sigma_{\rm max}))$	$1/\sigma^2$ (note: *)	$\left(\sigma^{2}\!+\!\sigma_{\mathrm{data}}^{2} ight)/(\sigma\cdot\sigma_{\mathrm{data}})^{2}$					
Parameters	$\beta_{\rm d}=19.9, \beta_{\rm min}=0.1$	$\sigma_{ m min}~=0.02$	$\bar{\alpha}_j = \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{j}{M(C_2+1)})$	$\sigma_{\rm min}~=0.002, \sigma_{\rm max}=80$					
	$\epsilon_{\rm s}~=10^{-3}, \epsilon_{\rm t}=10^{-5}$	$\sigma_{\rm max} = 100$	$C_1 = 0.001, C_2 = 0.008$	$\sigma_{ m data}~=0.5,  ho=7$					
	M = 1000		$M = 1000, j_0 = 8^{\dagger}$	$P_{\rm mean} = -1.2, P_{\rm std} = 1.2$					
* iDDPM also employs a second loss term $L_{vlb}$ <sup>†</sup> In our tests, $j_0 = 8$ yielded better FID than $j_0 = 0$ used by iDDPM									

# Architecture – Reusing the *classics*, and the *SoTA*





Or transformers Or VQ-VAEs Or...



Allows researchers and developers to easily train, evaluate, and deploy generative models on medical imaging.



#### Features

- □ State-of-the-art models
- Losses and supporting classes to train models
- Evaluation metrics
- **D** Tutorials
- Pre-trained models



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#### **U-Net Architecture**

from generative.networks.nets import DiffusionModelUNet

```
model = DiffusionModelUNet(
    spatial_dims=3,
    in_channels=1,
    out_channels=1,
    num_channels=[256, 256, 512],
    attention_levels=[False, False, True],
    num_head_channels=[0, 0, 512],
    num_res_blocks=2,
)
```

#### **Noise Schedulers**



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha_t} \alpha_{t-1} \mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \alpha_{t-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{t-2} \\ &= \dots \\ &= \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I}) \end{aligned}$$

from generative.networks.schedulers
import DDPMScheduler

scheduler = DDPMScheduler(
 num\_train\_timesteps=1000,
 beta\_schedule="scaled\_linear",
 beta\_start=0.0005,
 beta\_end=0.0195,

### 3D - Preprocessing

```
from monai import transforms
from monai.apps import DecathlonDataset
from monai.data import DataLoader
train_transform = transforms.Compose(
    [
    transforms.LoadImaged(keys=["image"]),
    transforms.Lambdad(keys=["image"], func=lambda x: x[:, :, :, 1]),
    transforms.AddChanneld(keys=["image"]),
    transforms.ScaleIntensityd(keys=["image"]),
    transforms.CenterSpatialCropd(keys=["image"], roi_size=[160, 200, 155]),
    transforms.Resized(keys=["image"], spatial_size=(32, 40, 32)),
    ]
}
```



```
train_ds = DecathlonDataset(
    root_dir="./data", task="Task01_BrainTumour", transform=train_transform, section="training", download=True
)
train_loader = DataLoader(train_ds, batch_size=8, shuffle=True, num_workers=8, persistent_workers=True)
```

### Training

```
•••
for batch in train loader:
    model.train()
    images = batch["image"].to(device)
    optimizer.zero grad(set to none=True)
    noise = torch.randn_like(images).to(device)
    timesteps = torch.randint(0, scheduler.num_train_timesteps,(images.shape[0],))
    noisy_image = scheduler.add_noise(original_samples=images,
                                       noise=noise,
                                       timesteps=timesteps)
    noise_pred = model(x=noisy_image, timesteps=timesteps)
    loss = F.mse loss(noise pred.float(), noise.float())
    •••
```

#### Sampling Images

```
model.eval()
noise = torch.randn((1, 1, 32, 40, 32)) # BS, Channels, 3D
scheduler.set_timesteps(num_inference_steps=1000)
```

```
for t in iter(scheduler.timesteps):
    model_output = model(noise, timesteps=(t,))
    noise, _ = scheduler.step(model_output, t, noise)
image = noise
```



# Part 2 – Advanced Topics

Sampling Strategies



Conditioning Mechanisms



#### **Basic Idea of Denoising Diffusion Models**



#### **Training Overview**

- We choose a random step  $t \in \{0, 1, \dots, T\}$ .
- We add t steps of noise to our input image  $x_0$ , and obtain a noisy image  $x_t$ .
- Our model predicts the noise pattern that needs to be subtracted from  $x_t$ , to predict a slightly denoised  $x_{t-1}$ .


## Fake Image Generation



 $x_T \sim N(0, \mathbf{I})$ 



Petrusion P

synthetic image

 $x_0$ 





### **DDPM Scheduler**

#### **Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models**

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Abstract

We present high quality image synthesis results using diffusion probabilistic models, a class of latent variable models inspired by considerations from nonequilibrium thermodynamics. Our best results are obtained by training on a weighted variational bound designed according to a novel connection between diffusion probabilistic

#### Algorithm 1 Training

#### Algorithm 2 Sampling

- 1: repeat
- 2:  $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
- 3:  $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
- 4:  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
- 5: Take gradient descent step on

$$\nabla_{\theta} \left\| \boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta} (\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t) \right\|^2$$
  
6: **until** converged

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:  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1-\alpha_t}{\sqrt{1-\overline{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$   
5: end for  
6: return  $\mathbf{x}_0$ 

#### Schedulers: How to Accelerate Sampling?



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#### DENOISING DIFFUSION IMPLICIT MODELS

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#### ABSTRACT

Denoising diffusion probabilistic models (DDPMs) have achieved high quality image generation without adversarial training, yet they require simulating a Markov chain for many steps in order to produce a sample. To accelerate sampling, we present denoising diffusion implicit models (DDIMs), a more efficient class of iterative implicit probabilistic models with the same training procedure as DDPMs. In DDPMs, the generative process is defined as the reverse of a particular Markovian diffusion process. We generalize DDPMs via a class of non-Markovian diffusion processes that lead to the same training objective. These non-Markovian "Denoising diffusion probabilistic models (DDPMs) have achieved high quality image generation, yet they require simulating a Markov chain for many steps in order to produce a sample."

#### We need to make the generation process faster.

#### From DDPMs to DDIMs

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1} = \sqrt{\alpha_{t-1}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{\boldsymbol{x}_t - \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \epsilon_{\theta}^{(t)}(\boldsymbol{x}_t)}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \right)}_{\text{"predicted } \boldsymbol{x}_0 \text{"}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t-1} - \sigma_t^2} \cdot \epsilon_{\theta}^{(t)}(\boldsymbol{x}_t)}_{\text{"direction pointing to } \boldsymbol{x}_t \text{"}} + \underbrace{\sigma_t \epsilon_t}_{\text{random noise}}$$

DDPM sampling scheme

$$\sigma_t = \sqrt{(1 - \alpha_{t-1})/(1 - \alpha_t)}\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t/\alpha_{t-1}}$$

DDIM sampling scheme



We remove the random component

The training process stays the same.

Song, J., Meng, C., & Ermon, S. (2020). Denoising diffusion implicit models. arXiv preprint arXiv:2010.02502.

# An Excursion into ODEs

• The connection to ordinary differential equations (ODEs) can be seen when we rewrite the DDIM denoising step as



- This can be interpreted as the Euler approximation of an ODE.
- We can speed up the generation process by choosing a larger step size.
- DDIM is a probability flow ODE from a SDE [1].



Faster, but less accurate

#### **DDIM Accelerated Sampling**



- By skipping k steps, we have a step size of  $k\Delta t$ .
- Sampling is *k* times faster.
- We trade image quality for speed.



Total amount of steps

#### Various Schedulers...

Elucidating the Design Space of Diffusion-Based Generative Models

#### PSEUDO NUMERICAL METHODS FOR DIFFUSION MODELS ON MANIFOLDS

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Denoising samples su to thousan successfull Improved (e.g., Deno ation meth Published as a conference paper at ICLR 2022

#### PROGRESSIVE DISTILLATION FOR FAST SAMPLING OF DIFFUSION MODELS

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#### ABSTRACT

Diffusion models have recently shown great promise for generative modeling, outperforming GANs on perceptual quality and autoregressive models at density estimation. A remaining downside is their slow sampling time: generating high quality samples takes many hundreds or thousands of model evaluations. Here we make two contributions to help eliminate this downside: First, we present new parameterizations of diffusion models that provide increased stability when using few sampling steps. Second, we present a method to distill a trained deterministic diffusion sampler, using many steps, into a new diffusion model that takes half as many sampling cteps. We then keen processingly applying this distillation proce

- Choosing a different solver for the given ODE can improve speed and image quality.
- Other numerical approaches such as Heun's Method or Runge Kutta solvers can be explored.
- Knowledge distillation techniques can be used for fast sampling.

# Part 2 – Advanced Topics

• Sampling Strategies





# Conditioning

#### 1. Inference-time

- 1. An inverse problem view
  - Classifier guidance
- 2. DDIM inversion
  - □ Interpolation
  - Gradient guidance

#### 2. Training-time

- 1. Scalar inputs
- 2. Text
- 3. Images
- 4. ControlNet
- 5. DreamBooth



#### **Inverse Problem**

- We consider two random variables *x* and *y*.
- Suppose we know the forward process of generating *y* from *x*, represented by the transition probability distribution p(y|x).
- We aim to solve the inverse problem p(x|y).
- With the Bayes' rule, we have

 $p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{y}) = p(\mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x}) / \int p(\mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}$ 

• Like in score-based models, we take the gradient of the log



### **Example: Classifier Guidance**

We want a class-conditional diffusion model.



We consider the gradient with respect to the input pixels.



 $\nabla_{x}C(i|x)$ 

https://corochann.com/library-release-visualize-saliency-map-of-deep-neural-network-644/

### **Classifier Guidance**

We use the gradient to guide the generation process towards a desired class.





Gradient guidance is not restricted to classification models. Other models (e.g., regression, segmentation, ...) work just in the same way.

#### **Classifier Guidance**



goldfish

arctic fox

butterfly

African elephant

flamingo

tennis ball



cheeseburger

fountain

balloon

tabby cat

lorikeet

agaric

# How can we preserve information?

We might want to translate an image to another...



- We add *L* steps of noise to an input image  $x_0$ .
- The smaller *L*, the less the image can be changed.
- The higher *L*, the more information is destroyed.



We need to find a way to keep the information of  $x_0$ .



## **DDIM Inversion**

- Under the DDIM sampling scheme, we remove the random component.
- The connection to ordinary differential equations (ODEs) can be seen when we rewrite the denoising step as

$$\frac{x_{t-1}}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}} = \frac{x_t}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} + \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}} - \sqrt{\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}{\bar{\alpha}_t}}\right)\epsilon_\theta(x_t, t).$$

Noise decoding

- This can be interpreted as the Euler approximation of an ODE.
- Given infinitely small steps t, the reversed ODE can then be solved with

$$\frac{x_{t+1}}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}} = \frac{x_t}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} + \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}{\bar{\alpha}_{t+1}}} - \sqrt{\frac{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}{\bar{\alpha}_t}}\right) \epsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t).$$
 Noise encoding  
iterative noise encoding  
for  $t = 0, ..., T$  iterative noise decoding  
for  $t = T, ..., 0$ 

Song, Jiaming, Chenlin Meng, and Stefano Ermon. "Denoising diffusion implicit models." arXiv preprint arXiv:2010.02502 (2020).

#### Image Interpolation

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#### **DDIM Inversion & Gradient Guidance**



Wolleb, Julia, et al. "The swiss army knife for image-to-image translation: Multi-task diffusion models." arXiv preprint arXiv:2204.02641 (2022).

# Conditioning

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## Scalar Conditioning via Spatial Addition

- We train a class-conditional diffusion model by including a class label *c*.
- We compute a class embedding, and pass it to the residual blocks by spatial addition.



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#### Scalar Conditioning via Adaptive Group Normalization



- Similar to StyleGAN, we add time and class information using a group normalization layer.
- This happens in all residual blocks of the U-Net.

Dhariwal, P., & Nichol, A. (2021). Diffusion models beat gans on image synthesis. Advances in neural information processing systems, 34, 8780-8794.

# Image Conditioning through Concatenation

Colorization

Inpainting

Uncropping

Decompression



- For image generation of a fake image *x*, we can use a conditioning image *y*.
- This requires paired training.
- During training and sampling, we add information of the conditioning image *x* through **channel-wise concatenation**.

# Image Conditioning through Concatenation



#### Palette: Image-to-Image Diffusion Models



Saharia, Chitwan, et al. "Palette: Image-to-image diffusion models." ACM SIGGRAPH 2022 Conference Proceedings. 2022.

### **Text Conditioning**



"A small cactus wearing a straw hat and neon sunglasses in the Sahara desert."

- CLIP
- Dall-E
- Stable Diffusion
- Imagen
- ...



Saharia, Chitwan, et al. "Photorealistic text-to-image diffusion models with deep language understanding." Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 35 (2022): 36479-36494.

### Architecture - Conditioning



## **Text Conditioning**





## **Text Conditioning**





Teddy bears swimming at the Olympics 400m Butter- A cute corgi lives in a house made out of sushi. fly event.



A brain riding a rocketship heading towards the moon. A dragon fruit wearing karate belt in the snow.

## ControlNet



- We pretrain a diffusion model with text prompts.
- We freeze this model.
- We fine-tune a copy conditioned on c.
- We pass information through skip connections.



### ControlNet



(a) Stable Diffusion

#### conditioning image



"an elephant with background in the field"

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#### DreamBooth





#### **Generative Models**

#### DDIM Inversion + Classifier-Free Guidance



## **DEMO - Conditioning**

- 1. Scalar Conditioning
- 2. Classifier-free guidance
- 3. DDIM Inversion



### **Conditional Unet**



#### **Conditional Unet**

...

from generative.networks.nets import DiffusionModelUNet

```
model = DiffusionModelUNet(
```

```
num_channels=[256, 256, 512],
attention_levels=[False, True, True],
num_head_channels=[0, 256, 512],
with_conditioning=True,
cross_attention_dim=768,
```

#### **Classifier-free Guidance**



#### $\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\epsilon_{\theta}}}(\mathbf{x_t}|\mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\epsilon_{\theta}}(\mathbf{x_t}|\boldsymbol{\emptyset}) + \mathbf{w}[\boldsymbol{\epsilon_{\theta}}(\mathbf{x_t}|\mathbf{y}) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon_{\theta}}(\mathbf{x_t}|\boldsymbol{\emptyset})]$

Ho, J., & Salimans, T. (2021). Classifier-Free Diffusion Guidance. In NeurIPS 2021 Workshop

#### **Classifier-free Guidance**

```
def classifier_free_guidance(noise, t, conditioning, w):
```

```
conditioning = torch.cat([torch.zeros(1), conditioning])
noise_input = torch.cat([noise] * 2)
model_output = model(noise_input, timesteps=t, context=conditioning)
noise_pred_uncond, noise_pred_text = model_output.chunk(2)
```

```
noise_pred = noise_pred_uncond + w * (noise_pred_text - noise_pred_uncond)
```

```
return noise_pred
```
### **Noise Schedulers**



from generative.networks.schedulers import
DDIMScheduler

scheduler = DDIMScheduler(
 num\_train\_timesteps=1000,
 beta\_schedule="scaled\_linear",
 beta\_start=0.0005,
 beta\_end=0.0195,

# Training

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```
timesteps=timesteps,)
```

```
noise_pred = model(x=noisy_image, timesteps=timesteps, context=classes)
```

```
loss = F.mse_loss(noise_pred.float(), noise.float())
```

# Sampling – DDIM Inversion + Guidance

```
L = 200
conditioning = torch.zeros(1)
scheduler.set_timesteps(num_inference_steps=1000)
current_img = batch["image"]
for t in range(L): # 0 -> L timesteps
with torch.no_grad():
        model_output = model(current_img, timesteps=(t,), context=conditioning)
        current_img, _ = scheduler.reversed_step(model_output, t, current_img)
latent_space_L = current_img
```

```
conditioning = torch.ones(1) # Manipulate to be healthy
noise = latent_space_L
for i in range(L):
    t = L - i # t goes from L -> 0
    noise_pred = classifier_free_guidance(noise, t, conditioning, w)
    noise, _ = scheduler.step(noise_pred, t, noise)
image = noise
```

### DEMO – Recap

- 1. Scalar Conditioning
- 2. Classifier-free guidance
- 3. DDIM Inversion



### Part 2 – Q&A



# Part 3 – Medical Image Applications



# Image synthesis

Examples from the community

### The simple setup of the problem



Synthetic

#### Real

#### PAPERS

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# Why? Medical Image Data is Scarce





# Use of Synthetic Data

- □ Full "private" training
- □ Data augmentation
- □ Test-time augmentation
- □ Testing edge cases



Pinaya, Walter HL, et al. "Generative AI for Medical Imaging: extending the MONAI Framework." arXiv preprint arXiv:2307.15208 (2023).

## Evaluation of Synthetic Data

Realism
 Diversity

Privacy

Benchmark



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# Generating high-resolution 3D brain data

- Latent Diffusion Models trained on data from UK Biobank (N = 31,740)
  - T1 MRI brain images with 1 mm<sup>3</sup> voxel size (160 × 224 × 160 voxels)
- Conditioned on covariates, such as:
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Ventricular and Brain volumes





### **Diffusion Model in the Latent Space**



Rombach, Robin, et al. "High-resolution image synthesis with latent diffusion models." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF conference on computer vision and pattern recognition*. 2022.

## **Fine-tuning Stable Diffusion**



Chambon, Pierre, et al. (2022) RoentGen: vision-language foundation model for chest x-ray generation. arXiv:2211.12737

### **Unlabelled Pre-training**



### **Generating Segmentation Masks**



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### Generation of Anonymous Chest Radiographs



Fig. 1: Proposed privacy-enhancing image sampling strategy. Image taken from [1].



Data used to train the abnormality classifier





Slides courtesy of Kai Packhäuser

1. Packhäuser et al (2022). Generation of Anonymous Chest Radiographs Using Latent Diffusion Models for Training Thoracic Abnormality Classification Systems. arXiv:2211.01323

## **Privacy Distillation**



### Synthetic Image Augmentation

Synthetic-to-real ratio of 10:1



Sagers, Luke W., et al. (2023) Augmenting medical image classifiers with synthetic data from latent diffusion models. arXiv:2308.12453

### Synthetic Data for Distribution Shifts







### Synthesising Rare Samples

#### Diffusion Process



# Image reconstruction

Examples from the community



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## **Reconstruction with Data Consistency**

An unconditional diffusion prior is trained on fully-sampled MR acquisitions



Add a **data consistency** term at each sampling step:  $x_i \leftarrow x_i + \lambda A^*(y - Ax_i)$ 

### MRI Reconstruction with Adaptive Diffusion Priors



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### **General Inverse Problems**

$$oldsymbol{y} = \mathcal{A}(oldsymbol{x}_0) + oldsymbol{n}, \quad oldsymbol{y}, oldsymbol{n} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \, oldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

![](_page_97_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Image registration

Examples from the community

# DiffuseMorph

- To perform <u>image registration</u> along the continuous trajectory
- **Diffusion network**: To estimate a conditional score function
- Deformation network: To yield the registration fields & provide the deformed image

#### Loss function

$$\min_{G_{\theta}, M_{\psi}} L_{diffusion}(c, x_{t}, t) + \lambda L_{regist}(m, f)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} L_{diffusion}(c, x_{t}, t) = \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon, x_{t}, t} \| G_{\theta}(c, x_{t}, t) - \epsilon \|_{2}^{2} \\ L_{regist}(m, f) = -(m(\phi) \otimes f) + \lambda_{\phi} \Sigma \| \nabla \phi \|^{2}$$

![](_page_99_Figure_6.jpeg)

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# DiffuseMorph

• Intra-subject 3D cardiac MR image registration

![](_page_100_Picture_2.jpeg)

### Feature-wise Diffusion-Guided

![](_page_101_Figure_1.jpeg)

Qin et al. (2023) FSDiffReg: Featurewise and Score-wise Diffusion-guided Unsupervised Deformable Image Registration for Cardiac Images. Miccai 2023

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# Image-to-Image translation

### Setup

#### **MRI Contrast Translation**

![](_page_103_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### MRI to CT Translation

![](_page_103_Figure_4.jpeg)

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### Medical Image Translation with Adversarial Diffusion

<u>SynDiff</u>: an unsupervised diffusion model for medical image translation

- An adversarial diffusive module maps fast source → target
- A non-diffusive module with cycle-consistency loss enables training on unpaired datasets

![](_page_104_Figure_4.jpeg)

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### **Diffusion Models for Contrast Harmonization**

![](_page_105_Figure_1.jpeg)

### **Contrast Harmonization Results**

3 T to1.5 T

![](_page_106_Picture_2.jpeg)

Ground Truth

![](_page_106_Picture_4.jpeg)

Diffusion Model Output

![](_page_106_Picture_6.jpeg)

1.5 T to 3 T

![](_page_106_Picture_8.jpeg)

![](_page_106_Picture_9.jpeg)

![](_page_106_Picture_10.jpeg)

### 3D Shapes from 2D Microscopy Images

![](_page_107_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_107_Picture_2.jpeg)

![](_page_107_Picture_3.jpeg)

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#### 3D with 2D model



# Inpainting

Examples from the community

#### Point Cloud Diffusion Models for Implant Generation



- For automatic implant generation, we aim to complete a defective skull.
- The diffusion process is applied on a **point cloud representation** due to memory and computation time restrictions.
- We condition the generation process on the skull with a defect.

#### **Point Cloud Completion**



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# Image segmentation

Examples from the community

#### Setup



#### PAPERS

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#### Diffusion Models for Segmentation Mask Generation



The anatomical information is added by concatenating the input images *b* to the noisy segmentation mask *in* every step *t*.

#### **Generation of Segmentation Ensembles**



Corresponding brain MR image b

Wolleb et al (2022). Diffusion Models for Implicit Image Segmentation Ensembles, MIDL 2022. arXiv:2112.03145

#### 3D Segmentation with PatchDDM



- We add a position encoding in all 3 spatial dimensions.
- Training is on patches only, and saves memory and training time.
- Inference runs over the whole 3D volume.

## **Ambiguous Segmentation**

- Ambiguity Modelling Network (AMN) models the distribution of ground truth masks given an input image.
- Ambiguity Controlling Network (ACN) models the noisy output from the diffusion model conditioning on an input image.



### Segmentation with Diffusion Pre-training



## Anomaly detection

Examples from the community

#### The simple setup of the problem



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### **Unsupervised Anomaly Segmentation**

- Latent Diffusion Model (LDM) learns the distribution
  of healthy brain data
- Compression (Vector-Quantised VAE) scales for high-resolution images



LDM identify regions with a low likelihood of being part of the healthy dataset



Reverse/denoising process is used to **inpaint** these regions and "**heal**" the possible anomalies



## Anomaly Detection with Simplex Noise

- Typical Gaussian noise is found to be insuffient for anomaly detection.
- Therefore, we explore the use of simplex noise for the corruption and sample generation of medical images.



(a) Structures of simplex noise



simplex noise scale *controls* target anomaly size

Wyatt et al (2022) AnoDDPM: Anomaly Detection with Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models using Simplex Noise. CVPR workshop

#### Anomaly Detection with Coarse Noise



#### **Anomaly Detection from Patches**



#### Anomaly Detection from Modality Cycles



### Weakly Supervised Lesion Detection

• Goal: Pixel-wise anomaly detection using image-level labels only



### Weakly Supervised Lesion Detection



### Weakly Supervised Lesion Detection



#### **Gradient Guidance**



### Lesion Localization with Diffusion Models

Classifier-free guidance

DDIM Encoding - Empty condition
 DDIM Decoding - Target class



#### Image Reconstruction

#### **Image Registration**





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#### **Panel Discussion Diffusion Models for Medical Images**





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