

Diffusion Models for Visual Content Creation



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Part 1: Introduction to Diffusion Models



https://geometry.cs.ucl.ac.uk/courses/diffusion4ContentCreation_sigg24/

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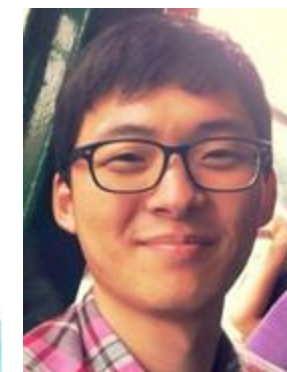
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Why do we need this Tutorial?

What are **diffusion model**?

What are the many **design choices**?

Interpretation, controls and **adaptation** in the context of Visual Computing

Many Related Materials

- Survey papers
- Past tutorials and courses
- Blogs and recorded videos

Presentation Schedule

Introduction to Diffusion Models

Guidance and Conditioning Sampling

Attention

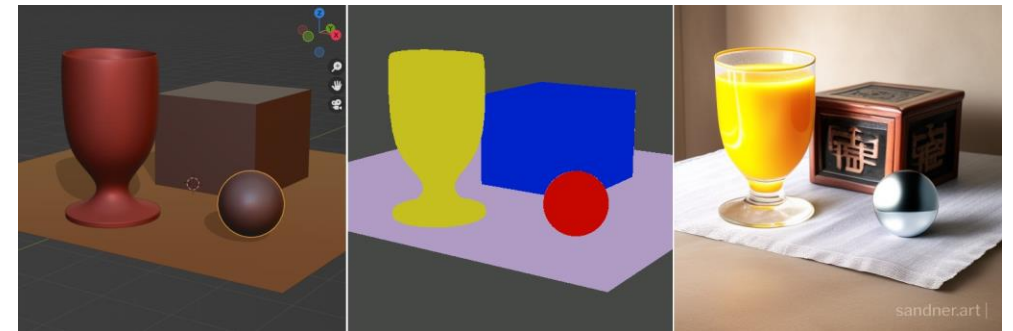
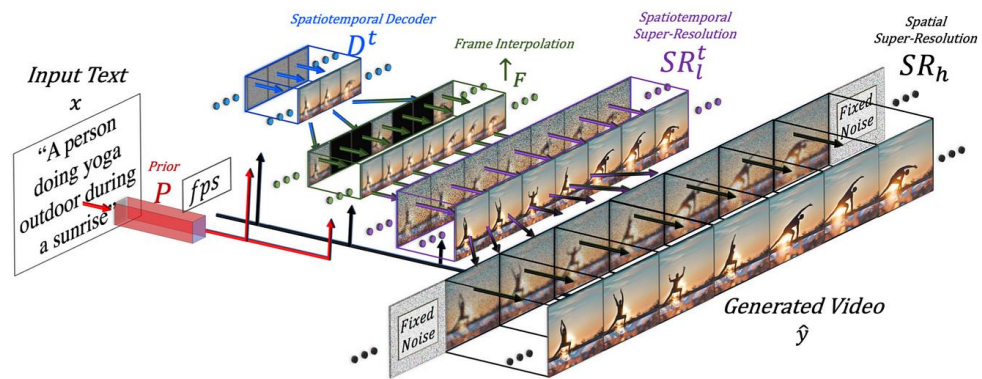
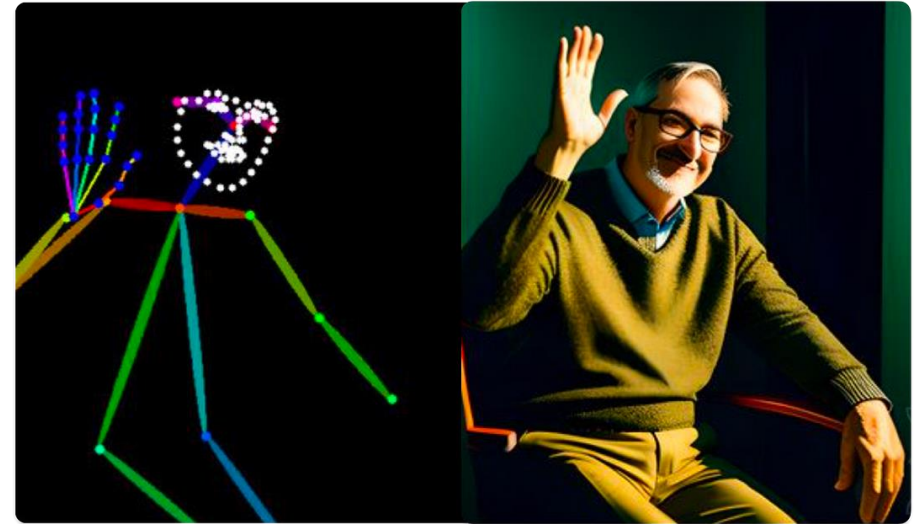
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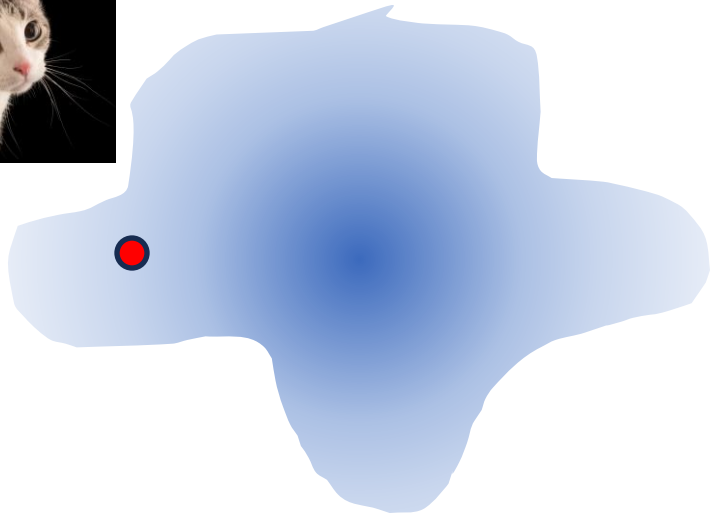
Beyond Single (RGB) Image Generation

Diffusion Models for 3D Generation

Images, Video, and Beyond



What is a Diffusion Process?



(unknown) data distribution

unknown map



known distribution

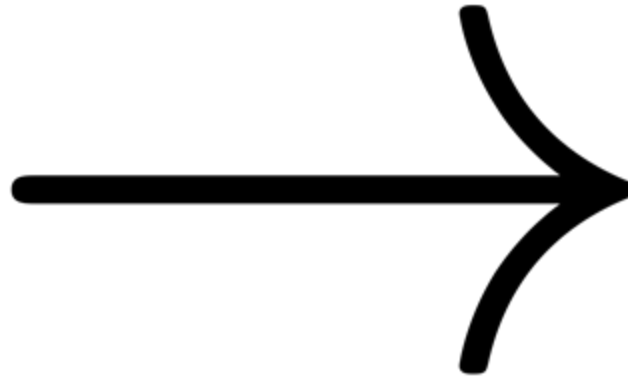
Sampling \Leftrightarrow *(Unconditional generation)*

Mapping between Distributions



\mathbf{x}_0

data
distribution



\mathbf{x}_T

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbb{I})$

known
distribution

Gaussian (Normal) Distribution

- Uniquely defined by **Mean** and **Variance**

$$\mu, \Sigma$$

- Reparameterization 'trick'

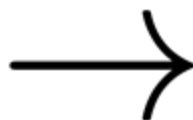
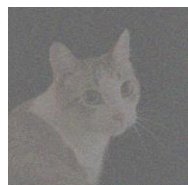
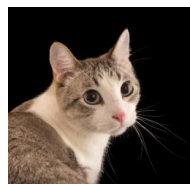
$$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

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

$$y_i = \mu_i x_i + \sigma_i$$

- Many results on combining Gaussian distributions

Mapping in Many Steps

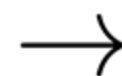


ward mapping



$\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow$

$\mathbf{X}_{t-1} \rightarrow \mathbf{X}_t$

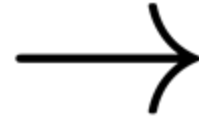


$\rightarrow \mathbf{X}_T$

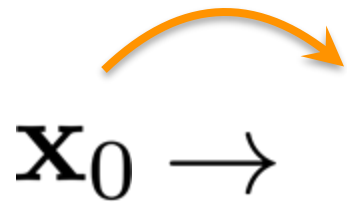
$$q(x_t|x_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t}x_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha_t)\mathbb{I})$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbb{I})$$

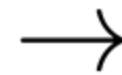
Mapping in Many Steps



forward mapping



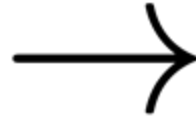
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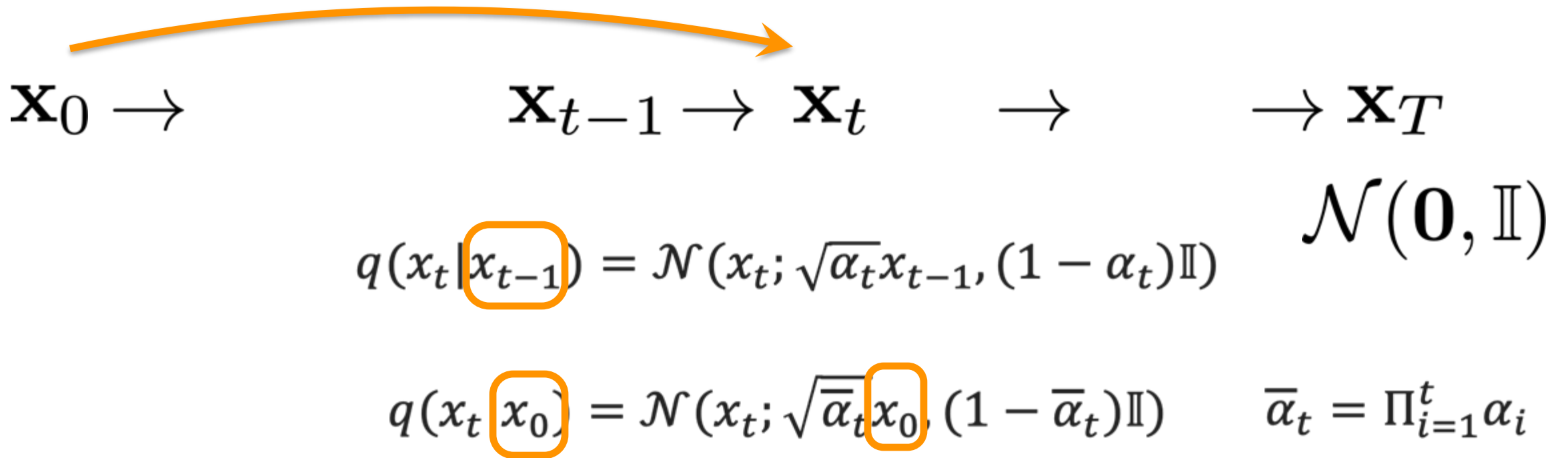
$\rightarrow \mathbf{X}_T$

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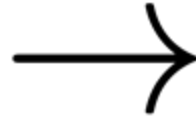
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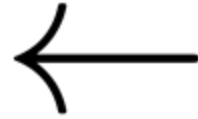
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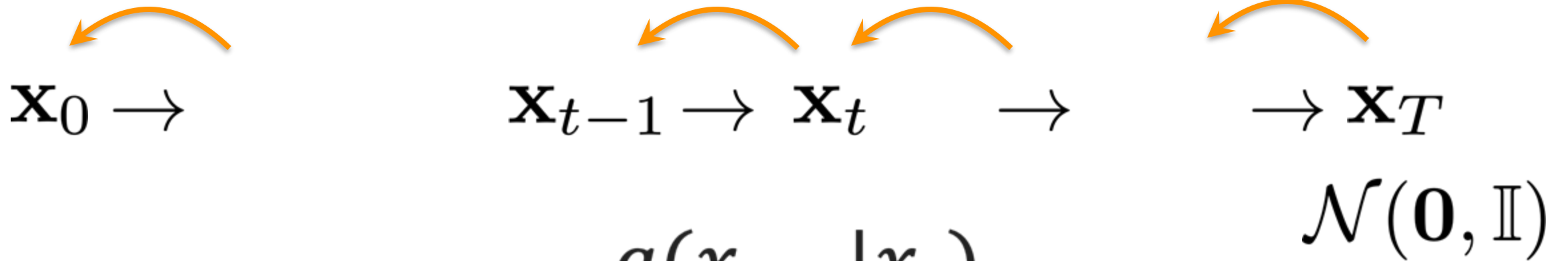
$$q(x_t|x_0) = \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}x_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)\mathbb{I})$$

$$\boxed{x_t} = \hat{\epsilon}(x_0) = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\boxed{x_0} + \sqrt{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)}\boxed{\epsilon_t} \quad \bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$$

Generative Modeling: Sampling



reverse mapping



$$q(x_{t-1} | x_t)$$

\approx

$$x_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} x_0 + \sqrt{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)} \epsilon_t$$

$$p(x_{t-1} | x_t) = \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1}; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} D_\theta(x_t, t), (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}) \mathbb{I})$$

Loss Functions

$$\mathcal{L}_{simple}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{t, x_0, \epsilon} [C_t \| \epsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t) - \epsilon \|^2]$$

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Algorithm (How to Train?)

Algorithm 1 Training

1: **repeat**

2: $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$

3: $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$

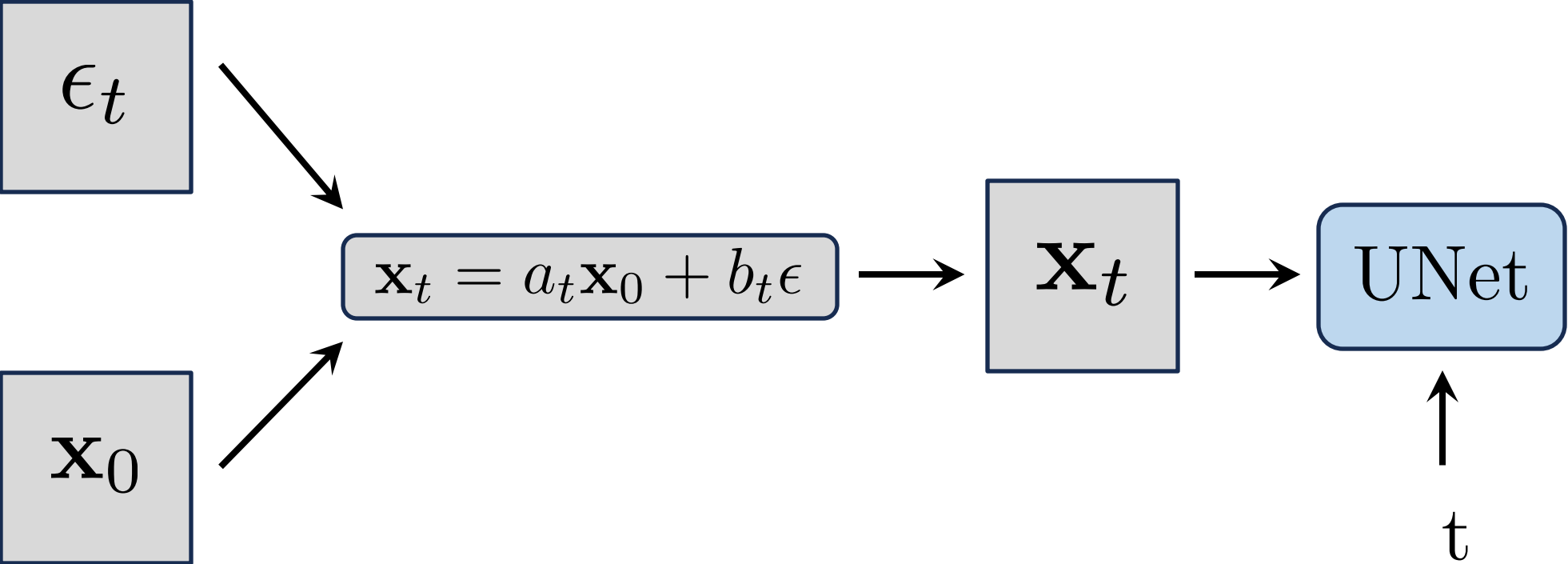
4: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$

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

Training Loss



Loss Functions: Three Interpretations

1. Predict Noise ϵ_t

2. Predict clean image \mathbf{x}_0

3. Score-based optimization $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log p(\mathbf{x}_0) = -\frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}}$

they are equivalent!!

Algorithm (How to Sample?)

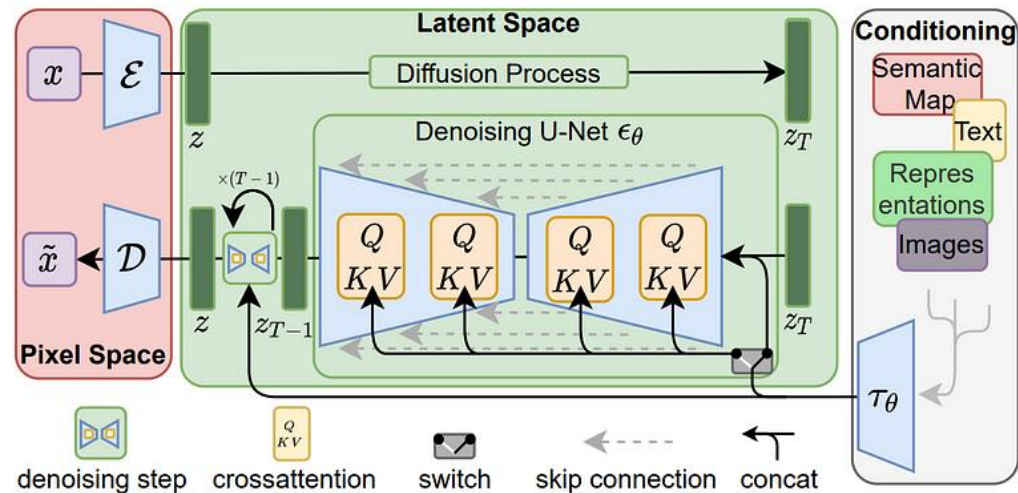
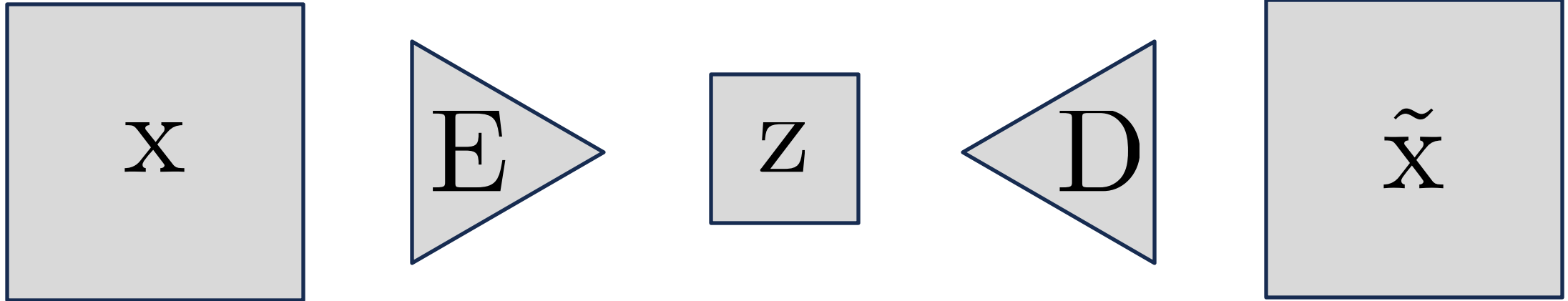
Algorithm 2 Sampling

- 1: $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
 - 2: **for** $t = T, \dots, 1$ **do**
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 - 4:
$$\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left(\mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1-\alpha_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$$
 - 5: **end for**
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What's Special about Visual Data?

- **Dimensionality** of the problem
- Inference **speed** and **diversity** of generations
- Training data: we have many (**differentiable**) **known** functions
- Media **specific-losses** and **semantics** of data
- Types of **controls**

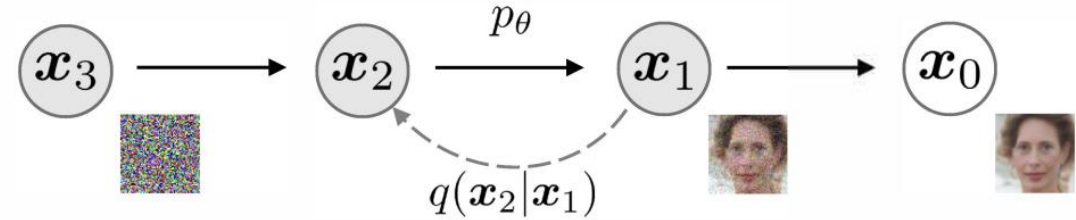
Latent Diffusion Model



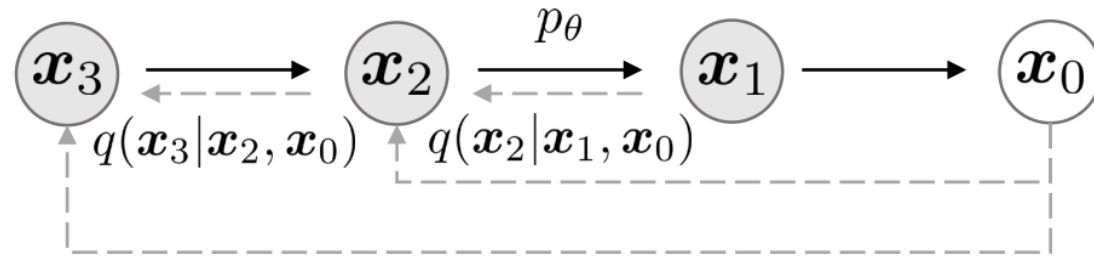
[High-Resolution Image Synthesis with Latent Diffusion Models, Rombach et al., Arxiv 2021]

Faster Inference: DDPM vs DDIM

- DDPM: Markovian process



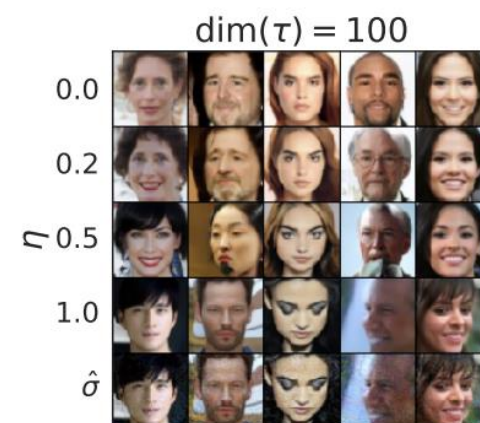
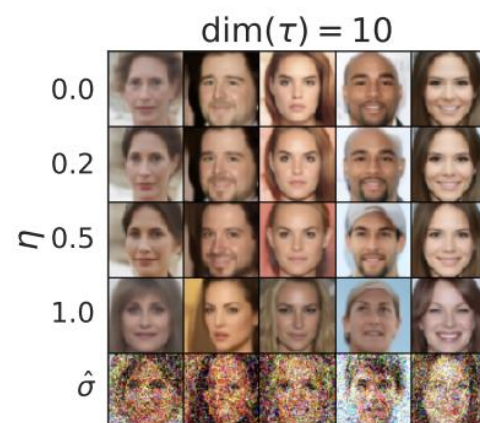
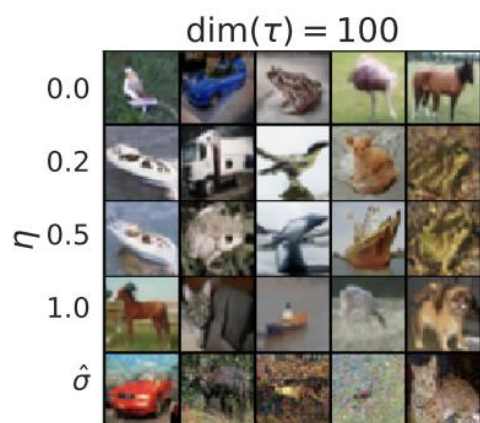
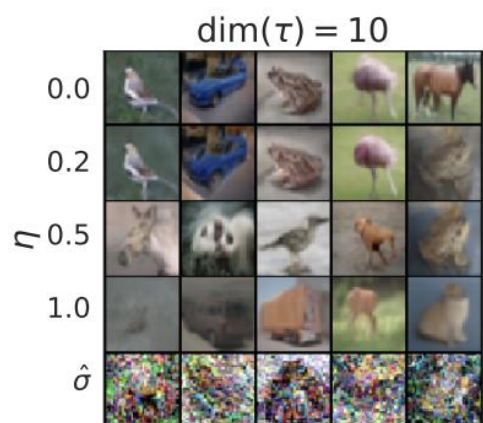
- DDIM: **Non-Markovian** process but 10-50x faster!!
 - Trained w/ pretrained DDPM diffusion



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

DDPM vs DDIM

S	CIFAR10 (32×32)					1000	CelebA (64×64)				
	10	20	50	100	10		20	50	100	1000	
η 0.0	13.36	6.84	4.67	4.16	4.04	17.33	13.73	9.17	6.53	3.51	
η 0.2	14.04	7.11	4.77	4.25	4.09	17.66	14.11	9.51	6.79	3.64	
η 0.5	16.66	8.35	5.25	4.46	4.29	19.86	16.06	11.01	8.09	4.28	
η 1.0	41.07	18.36	8.01	5.78	4.73	33.12	26.03	18.48	13.93	5.98	
$\hat{\sigma}$	367.43	133.37	32.72	9.99	3.17	299.71	183.83	71.71	45.20	3.26	



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Skipped Concepts

- CLIP space (linking images with text)
- LORA (finetuning with limited data)
- Image inversion (DDIM inversion) for real images
- Training schedule

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