



## Generating High Fidelity Data from Low-density Regions using Diffusion Models

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Diffusion models:  
Gradually add Gaussian  
noise and then reverse

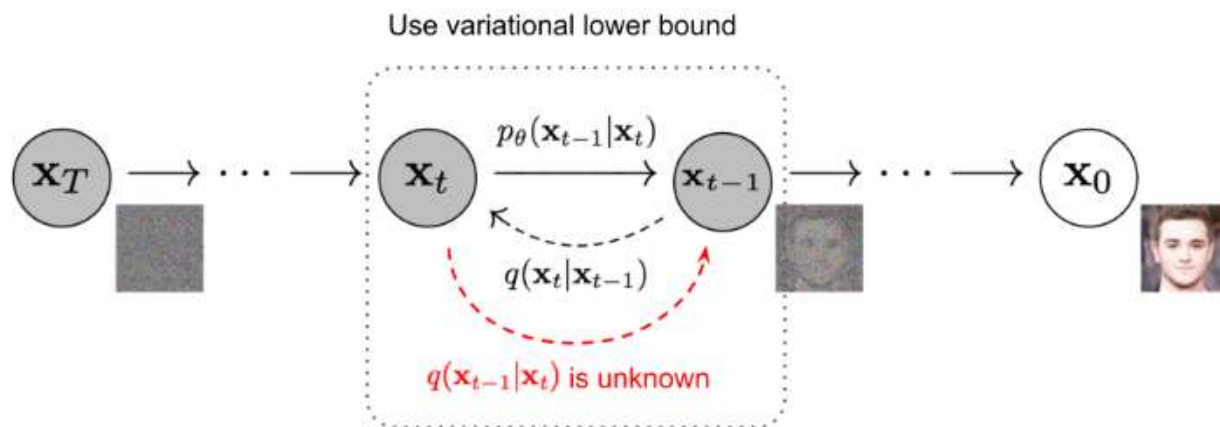
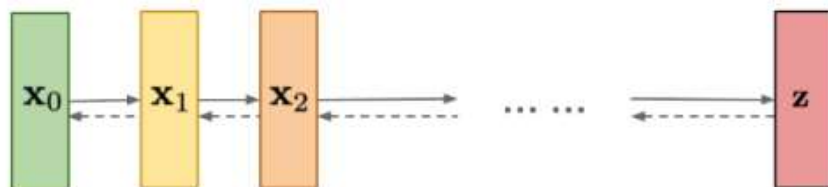


Fig. 2. The Markov chain of forward (reverse) diffusion process of generating a sample by slowly adding (removing) noise. (Image source: Ho et al. 2020 with a few additional annotations)

$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t\mathbf{I}) \quad q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) = \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

A nice property of the above process is that we can sample  $\mathbf{x}_t$  at any arbitrary time step  $t$  in a closed form using reparameterization trick. Let  $\alpha_t = 1 - \beta_t$  and  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{i=1}^t \alpha_i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_t &= \sqrt{\alpha_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1} && \text{where } \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-1}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{t-2}, \dots \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha_t\alpha_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_{t-2} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t\alpha_{t-1}}\bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{t-2} && \text{where } \bar{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{t-2} \text{ merges two Gaussians (*).} \\ &= \dots \\ &= \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

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

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

$$\tilde{\beta}_t = 1/\left(\frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\right) = 1/\left(\frac{\alpha_t - \bar{\alpha}_t + \beta_t}{\beta_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}\right) = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t}\mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_0\right) / \left(\frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t}\mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\mathbf{x}_0\right) \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{CE} &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0) \\
 &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \int p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T}) d\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \right) \\
 &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \int q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} d\mathbf{x}_{1:T} \right) \\
 &= -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \log \left( \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \right) \\
 &\leq -\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \log \frac{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})}{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \right] = L_{VLB}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{VLB} &= \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{0:T})} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{\prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^T p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=1}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \left( \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} \cdot \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)} \right) + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_0)} + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ -\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T) + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_T|\mathbf{x}_0)}{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)} + \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_T|\mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T)} + \sum_{t=2}^T \log \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0)}{p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} - \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1) \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_q \left[ \underbrace{D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_T|\mathbf{x}_0) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_T))}_{L_T} + \sum_{t=2}^T \underbrace{D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \parallel p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t))}_{L_{t-1}} - \underbrace{\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{x}_1)}_{L_0} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\beta}_t &= 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) = 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t - \bar{\alpha}_t + \beta_t}{\beta_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0\end{aligned}$$

$$q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}) p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{aligned}D_{\text{KL}}(q(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) \parallel p_\theta(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t)) &= D_{\text{KL}}(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0), \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I}) \parallel \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t), \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I})) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( n + \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2 - n + \log 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma_t^2} \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2\end{aligned}$$

$$L_{t-1} = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sigma_t^2} \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|^2 \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\beta}_t &= 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) = 1 / \left( \frac{\alpha_t - \bar{\alpha}_t + \beta_t}{\beta_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})} \right) = \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\ \tilde{\mu}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) / \left( \frac{\alpha_t}{\beta_t} + \frac{1}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\beta_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \mathbf{x}_0 \right) \frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \cdot \beta_t \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_t}(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1})}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\beta_t}{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \right)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right)$$

$$\text{Thus } \mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t))$$

$$\begin{aligned}L_t &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ \frac{1}{2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|_2^2} \|\tilde{\mu}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_0) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|_2^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ \frac{1}{2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta\|_2^2} \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) \right\|_2^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)^2}{2\alpha_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta\|_2^2} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|_2^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ \frac{(1 - \alpha_t)^2}{2\alpha_t(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta\|_2^2} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, t)\|_2^2 \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}L_t^{\text{simple}} &= \mathbb{E}_{t \sim [1, T], \mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t} \left[ \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)\|_2^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{t \sim [1, T], \mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t} \left[ \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, t)\|_2^2 \right]\end{aligned}$$

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## Algorithm 1 Training

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- 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  
 $\nabla_{\theta} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t)\|_2^2$
  - 6: **until** converged
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## Algorithm 2 Sampling

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- 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:  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
  - 5: **end for**
  - 6: **return**  $\mathbf{x}_0$
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$$q(x_{t-1}|x_0) = \int q(x_{t-1}|x_t, x_0) q(x_t|x_0) dx_t$$

$$\text{令 } q(x_{t-1}|x_t, x_0) = N(x_{t-1}; k_t x_t + \lambda_t x_0, G_t^2 I)$$

$$q(x_{t-1}|x_0) = N(x_{t-1}; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} x_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}) I)$$

$$q(x_t|x_0) = N(x_t; \sqrt{\alpha_t} x_0, (1 - \alpha_t) I)$$

$$q(x_{t-1}|x_t, x_0) = N(x_{t-1}; k_t x_t + \lambda_t x_0, G_t^2 I) \quad x_{t-1} = k_t x_t + \lambda_t x_0 + G_t \epsilon$$

$$x_{t-1} = k_t (\sqrt{\alpha_t} x_0 + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_t} \epsilon_t) + \lambda_t x_0 + G_t \epsilon$$

$$= (k_t \sqrt{\alpha_t} + \lambda_t) x_0 + (k_t \sqrt{\alpha_t} \epsilon_t + G_t \epsilon) = N(x_{t-1}; (k_t \sqrt{\alpha_t} + \lambda_t) x_0, (k_t^2 (1 - \alpha_t) + G_t^2) I)$$

$$= N(x_{t-1}; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} x_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}) I)$$

$$\begin{cases} k_t \sqrt{\alpha_t} + \lambda_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \\ k_t^2 (1 - \alpha_t) + G_t^2 = 1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} - \frac{\sqrt{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - G_t^2)} \sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}} \\ k_t = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - G_t^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore x_{t-1} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - G_t^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}} x_t + \left( \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} - \frac{\sqrt{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - G_t^2)} \sqrt{\alpha_t}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}} \right) x_0 + G_t \epsilon$$

$$\therefore x_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} x_t - \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \epsilon_t$$

$$\therefore x_{t-1} = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} x_t - \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_t}}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \epsilon_t \right) + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1} - G_t^2} \epsilon_t + G_t \epsilon$$

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1 class DDIMSampler:
2     @torch.no_grad()
3     def sample(S):
4         # S 表示 DDIM 的迭代次数
5         samples, intermediates = ddim_sampling(S)
6         return samples, intermediates
7
8     @torch.no_grad()
9     def ddim_sampling(S):
10        img = torch.randn((B, C, H, W))
11        intermediates = []
12        for step in [S - 1, ..., 0]:
13            img, pred_x0 = p_sample_ddim(img, step) # DDIM 采样过程
14            intermediates.append(pred_x0) # 保存中间结果
15        return img, intermediates
16
17    @torch.no_grad()
18    def p_sample_ddim(x, t):
19        sigma_t, a_t, a_prev = make_ddim_sampling_parameters(eta=0.0) # 返回 sigma_t, alpha_t, alpha_{t-1}
20        e_t = UNet(x, t) # 模型预估噪声 e_t^{(t)}(x_t)
21        pred_x0 = (x - sqrt_one_minus_at * e_t) / a_t.sqrt() # (x_t - sqrt(1 - alpha_t) * e_t^{(t)}(x_t)) / alpha_t
22        dir_xt = (1 - a_prev - sigma_t**2).sqrt() * e_t # sqrt(1 - alpha_{t-1} - sigma_t^2) * e_t^{(t)}(x_t)
23        noise = sigma_t * noise_like(x.shape) # sigma_t * epsilon_t
24        # x_{t-1} = sqrt(alpha_{t-1}) * ((x_t - sqrt(1 - alpha_t) * e_t^{(t)}(x_t)) / alpha_t) + sqrt(1 - alpha_{t-1} - sigma_t^2) * e_t^{(t)}(x_t) + sigma_t * epsilon_t
25        x_prev = a_prev.sqrt() * pred_x0 + dir_xt + noise
26        return x_prev, pred_x0
27
28    def make_ddim_sampling_parameters(eta=0.0):
29        # sigma_t(eta) = eta * sqrt((1 - alpha_{t-1}) / (1 - alpha_t)) * sqrt(1 - alpha_t / alpha_{t-1})
30        sigmas = eta * sqrt((1 - alphas_prev) / (1 - alphas) * (1 - alphas / alphas_prev))
31        return sigmas, alphas, alphas_prev
    
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$$s_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \approx \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} [\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)] = \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x}_0)} \left[ -\frac{\epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \right] = -\frac{\epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t)}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t, y) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(\mathbf{x}_t) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q(y | \mathbf{x}_t) \\ &\approx -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_{\phi}(y | \mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} (\epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_{\phi}(y | \mathbf{x}_t)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) = \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log f_{\phi}(y | \mathbf{x}_t)$$

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**Algorithm 1** Classifier guided diffusion sampling, given a diffusion model  $(\mu_{\theta}(x_t), \Sigma_{\theta}(x_t))$ , classifier  $f_{\phi}(y|x_t)$ , and gradient scale  $s$ .

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Input: class label  $y$ , gradient scale  $s$   
 $x_T \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$   
**for all**  $t$  from  $T$  to 1 **do**  
     $\mu, \Sigma \leftarrow \mu_{\theta}(x_t), \Sigma_{\theta}(x_t)$   
     $x_{t-1} \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(\mu + s\Sigma \nabla_{x_t} \log f_{\phi}(y|x_t), \Sigma)$   
**end for**  
**return**  $x_0$

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**Algorithm 2** Classifier guided DDIM sampling, given a diffusion model  $\epsilon_{\theta}(x_t)$ , classifier  $f_{\phi}(y|x_t)$ , and gradient scale  $s$ .

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Input: class label  $y$ , gradient scale  $s$   
 $x_T \leftarrow$  sample from  $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$   
**for all**  $t$  from  $T$  to 1 **do**  
     $\hat{\epsilon} \leftarrow \epsilon_{\theta}(x_t) - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \nabla_{x_t} \log f_{\phi}(y|x_t)$   
     $x_{t-1} \leftarrow \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \left( \frac{x_t - \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t} \hat{\epsilon}}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}} \right) + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_{t-1}} \hat{\epsilon}$   
**end for**  
**return**  $x_0$

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## Troubles in Current Diffusion Model:

1. Generate those images lying in the high-density region with high pr
2. Those who wanna generate low-density images will



(i) High density



(ii) Low density

(a) Real



(b) BigGAN-deep



(c) DDPM



(d) DDPM (Ours)

$$H(\mathbf{x}, y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_y)^T \Sigma_y^{-1} (f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_y) + \ln(\det(\Sigma_y)) + k \ln(2\pi) \right] \quad (3)$$

$$L_{g_1}(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) = \log \left[ \frac{\exp(H(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)/\tau)}{\sum_{j=1}^C \exp(H(\mathbf{x}_j, j)/\tau)} \right] \quad (4)$$

$$L_{g_2}(\mathbf{x}_i) = -\log \left[ \frac{\exp(H'(\mathbf{x}_i, 1)/\tau)}{\sum_{j=0}^1 \exp(H'(\mathbf{x}_j, j)/\tau)} \right] \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{1/2}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \mathbf{z} + \alpha \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \nabla^* L_{g_1}(\mathbf{x}_t, y) + \beta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \nabla^* L_{g_2}(\mathbf{x}_t) \quad (7)$$

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**Algorithm 1:** Sampling from low-density regions.
 

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**Input :** Class label ( $y$ ),  $\alpha, \beta$ 
**Function :** *Normalize* ( $\mathbf{u}$ ) : return  $\mathbf{u}/\|\mathbf{u}\|$ 
 $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ 
**for**  $i \leftarrow T$  **to** 1 **do**

   **if**  $t > 1$  **then**

 |  $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}), \mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbf{I}$ 

   **else**

 |  $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$ 

   **end**

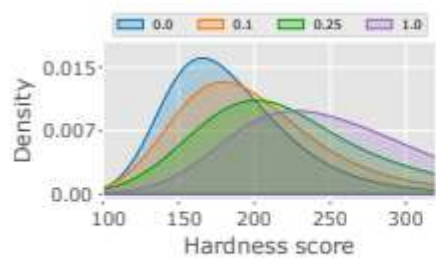
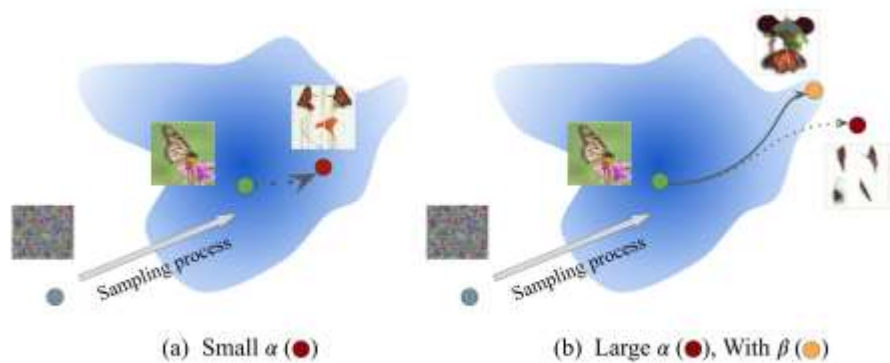
    $\mathbf{u}_1 = \alpha \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \text{Normalize}(\nabla L_{g_1}(\mathbf{x}_t, y))$ 

    $\mathbf{u}_2 = \beta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \text{Normalize}(\nabla L_{g_2}(\mathbf{x}_t))$ 

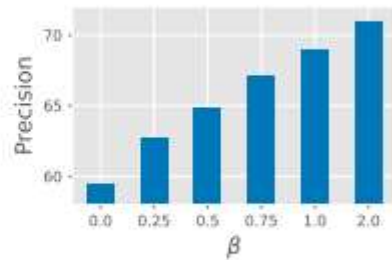
    $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{1/2}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2)$ 
**end**
**return**  $\mathbf{x}_0$ 


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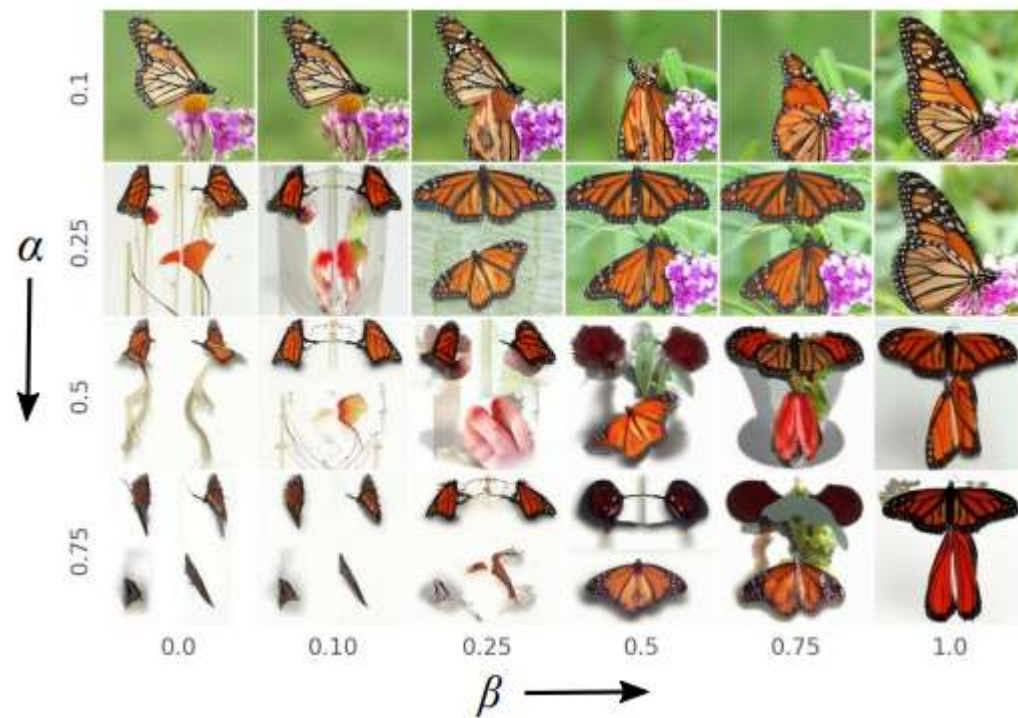
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(a)  $\alpha$  increases the hardness score.



(b)  $\beta$  improves the fidelity



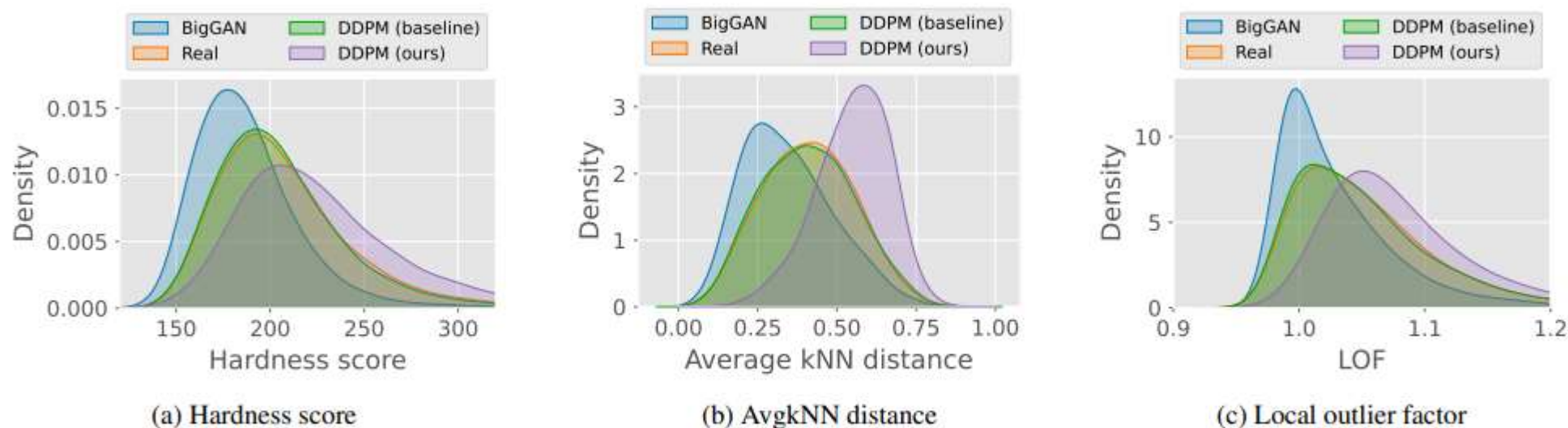


Figure 7. **Comparing neighborhood density.** We measure the density in the neighborhood of a given set of instances using three different metrics. All three metrics share a common trend: while baseline sampling generates synthetic samples that have similar density distribution as real data, our sampling process generates samples from low density neighborhoods with higher probability.

Score-range	200 – 240	240 – 280	280 – 320
Baseline	1.99	5.74	16.79
Ours	1.88 ( $\times 1.1$ )	2.03 ( $\times 2.8$ )	2.78 ( $\times 6.0$ )

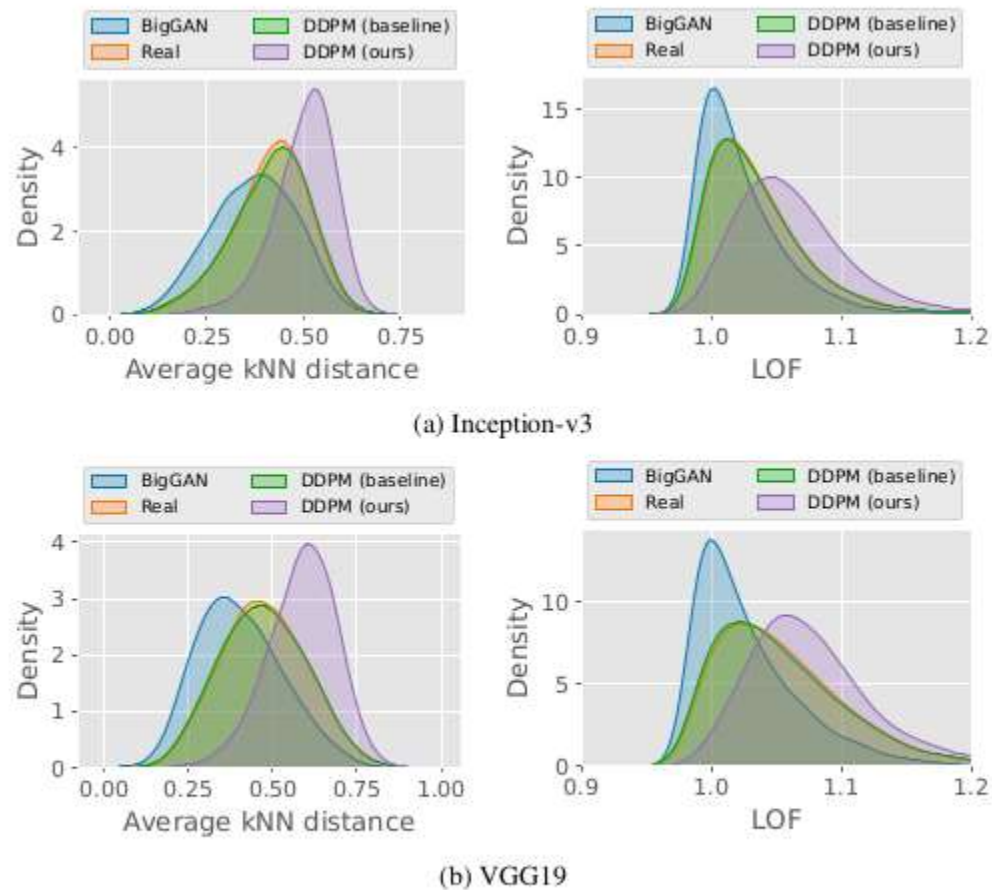


Figure 17. **Comparing neighborhood density across different choices of feature extractors.** We use two additional feature extractors, namely Inception-v3 and VGG19.

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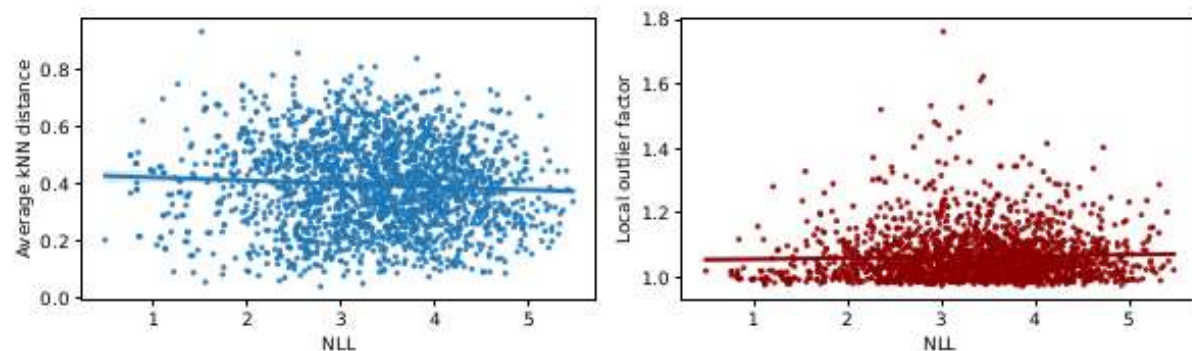
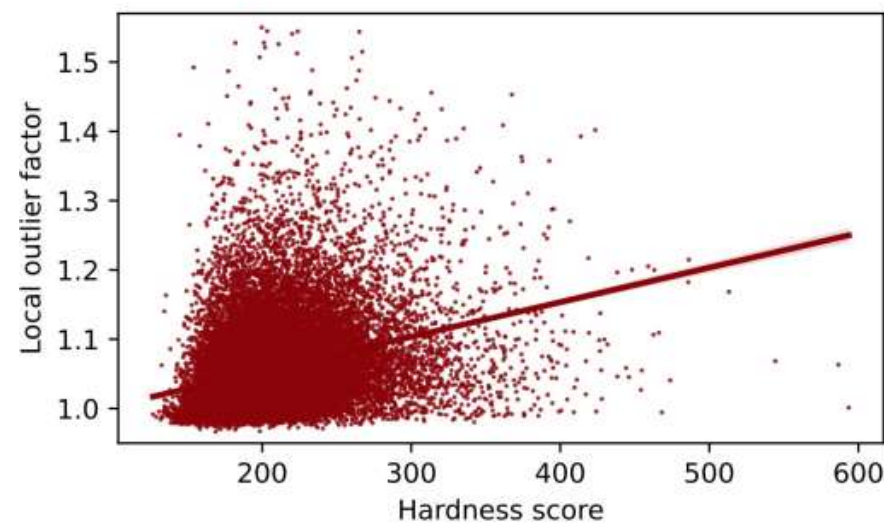
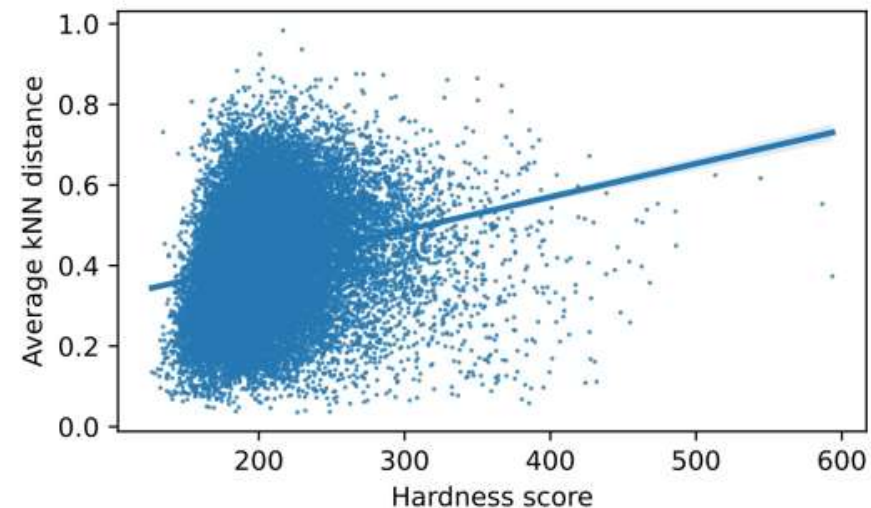


Figure 11. **Is NLL an effective measure of neighborhood density?** We compare the negative log-likelihood (NLL) estimates from the diffusion model with other commonly used metrics to measure data density. We find that NLL is poorly correlated with both of these metrics. Since NLL is computationally expensive to calculate for each image, we use 2K random images from the validation set of the ImageNet dataset for this analysis.



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$H(x) < H_{15}$



$H_{40} < H(x) < H_{60}$



$H(x) > H_{90}$

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Figure 5. **Comparing samples from proposed and baseline sampling process.** We compare synthetic images from our proposed sampling approach (top) with the baseline sampling process (bottom) on the ImageNet dataset. We use identical random seed for both stochastic sampling processes. Therefore, generation of each pair of images among the two approaches starts from the identical latent vectors and the only difference is the additional guidance terms in our approach.

**Thanks**