## Score based learning in scientific computing

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## Generating new handwritten digits



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## Generating new samples from given one

**Given:** samples  $x_i \sim \rho_0$  for some density  $\rho_0$ 

**Aim:** Create new samples  $y_i$  such that  $y_i \sim \rho_0$ 

**Problem:**  $\rho_0$  is unknown

#### Idea:

- deform the samples into a new, simpler distribution
- create new samples from easier distribution
- reverse the deformation for the new samples

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# **Deforming densities**

#### Consider the SDE

$$dX_t = -V(X_t)dt + dW_t, \quad X_0 \sim \rho_0$$

with some

potential V(x)

and

Brownian motion  $W_t$ 

Then

$$\rho_t = \mathsf{Law}(X_t)$$

fulfills

$$\partial_t \rho_t + \Delta \rho_t + \operatorname{div}(\rho_t \nabla V) = 0$$

and

$$\rho_{\infty}(x) = e^{-V(x)}$$

### Examples for the potential

### **Examples:**

- $lackbox{V}(x) = \alpha \|x\|^2 \leadsto ext{Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process with } \rho_\infty ext{ Gaussian}$
- V(x)=0 and periodic boundary  $\leadsto$  periodic Brownian motion with  $\rho_{\infty}$  uniform
- $V(x) = \sum_i f_i(x_i) \leadsto$  overdamped Langevin with  $\rho_\infty$  seperable Gibbs

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## The score and reverse time dynamics

One important quantity is the score

$$s(t, x) = \nabla \log \rho_t(x)$$

Reverse time dynamics

$$dY_{T-t} = [\nabla V(Y_{T-t}) + s(T-t, Y_{T-t})] dt + dW_{T-t}$$

with

$$Y_T \sim \exp(-V)$$

**Observation:** Law( $Y_0$ )  $\approx \rho_0$  (in dependence of T)

## Learning the score

Recover the score:

$$\min_{s(t,x)} \int_0^T \int \frac{1}{2} ||s(t,x) - \nabla \log \rho_t(x)||_2^2 \rho_t(x) dx dt$$

**Problem:** one needs pointwise information of  $\nabla \log \rho_t$ 

Idea: expand and partial integration

### **Expansion:**

$$\begin{split} & \int_{0}^{T} \int \frac{1}{2} \|s(t,x) - \nabla \log \rho_{t}(x)\|_{2}^{2} \rho_{t}(x) dx dt \\ = & \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} \int \|s(t,x)\|_{2}^{2} \rho_{t}(x) dx dt - 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int \langle s(t,x), \nabla \log \rho_{t}(x) \rangle \rho_{t}(x) dx dt \\ & + \int_{0}^{T} \int \|\nabla \log \rho_{t}(x)\|_{2}^{2} \rho_{t}(x) dx dt \end{split}$$

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### Alternative cost function

### Integration by parts

$$\int \langle s(t,x), \nabla \log \rho_t(x) \rangle \rho_t(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{\rho \nabla \log \rho \atop = \rho \frac{\nabla \rho}{\rho}} \int_{\rho} \langle s(t,x), \nabla \rho_t(x) \rangle dx$$

$$= -\int \operatorname{div}(s(t,x)) \rho_t dx$$

Computable cost functional:

$$\min_{s(t,x)} \int_0^T \int \frac{1}{2} ||s(t,x)||_2^2 \rho_t(x) + \operatorname{div}(s(t,x)) \rho_t(x) dx dt$$

Advantage: only samples from  $\rho_t$  needed

## "Classical" score learning – I

#### Tasks:

- Deform original samples by solving the SDE
- Collect the deformed samples to recover the score
- Reverse the dynamics to create new samples

Solving SDE: use Euler-Mayurana for Ornstein-Uhlenbeck to create time series  $x_i(t_j)$  from  $x_i \sim \rho_0$ 

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## "Classical" score learning - II

#### Recover the score: Minimize

$$\sum_{j} \sum_{i} \text{NN}^{2}(t_{j}, x_{i}(t_{j})) + \text{div}(\text{NN}(t_{j}, x_{i}(t_{j})))$$

over the set of neural networks  $\mathrm{NN}$  by e.g. stochastic gradient descent

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## Spectral approach – I

Associated to an SDE is a generator

$$\mathcal{L}f = \Delta f - \nabla V(x) \cdot \nabla f$$

with

$$\partial_t \rho_t - \mathcal{L}^{\dagger} \rho_t = 0$$

Consider the eigenbasis  $\varphi_i$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ .

Then it holds

$$\int \varphi_i(x)\rho_t(x)dx = \int \varphi_i(x) \exp(t\mathcal{L}^{\dagger})\rho_0(x)dx$$
$$= \int \rho_0(x) \exp(t\mathcal{L})\varphi_i(x)dx$$
$$= e^{\lambda_i t} \int \varphi_i(x)\rho_0(x)dx$$

→ no SDE needed anymore

## Spectral approach – II

### **Examples:**

- ▶ Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process:  $\rightsquigarrow \varphi_i$  are Hermite polynomials
- **Periodic Brownian motion:**  $\rightsquigarrow \varphi_i$  are Fourier bases

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# Spectral approach - III

#### Tasks:

- Choose potential V such that one knows (or can approximate) the associated eigenfunctions
- calculate the "moments"

$$\int \varphi_i(x)\rho_t(x)dx = e^{\lambda_i t} \int \varphi_i(x)\rho_0(x)dx$$

- expand  $s(t,x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} c_i(t)\varphi_i(x)$
- calculate

$$\varphi_i(x)\varphi_j(x)=\sum_k \mu_{ij}^k \varphi_k(x) \text{ as well as } \frac{d}{dx}\varphi_i=\sum_k \nu_i^k \varphi_k(x)$$

given a time discretization, minimize

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} c_i(t_k) c_j(t_k) \int \langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle_2^2 \rho_{t_k}(x) dx + \sum_i c_i(t_k) \int \operatorname{div}(\varphi_i(x)) \rho_{t_k}(x) dx$$

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## Computational tricks

- exploit fast decay of higher order eigenfunctions over time to expand product and derivative in "few" basis functions
- ▶ for high-dimensional case use a band-limited cluster ansatz, i.e.:

$$\mathcal{B}_{j,d} = \left\{ \phi_{n_{k_1}}^{(k_1)}(x_{k_1}) \cdots \phi_{n_{k_j}}^{(k_j)}(x_{k_j}) \mid \\ 1 \le k_1 < \dots < k_j \le d, \ 1 \le n_{k_1}, \dots, n_{k_j} \le n \right\}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{B}_{2,d}^{\text{local}} &= \left\{ \phi_{n_k}^{(k)}(x_k) \, \phi_{n_{k'}}^{(k')}(x_{k'}) \, \right| \\ &1 \leq k < k' \leq d, \; k' \leq k + d_{\text{b}}, \; 1 \leq n_k, n_{k'} \leq n \right\} \end{split}$$

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# Mean field approximation

the linear ansatz works well in a "perturbative regime", i.e.

$$\rho_0(x) = \rho_\infty(x) \left(1 + \delta \operatorname{pert}(x)\right)$$

**Idea:** Calculate mean-field approximation to  $\rho_0$ 

- ► Calculate (empirical) moments  $m_{i,j} = \int x_i^j \rho_0(x) dx$
- solve maximal entropy program

$$\max_{\rho_i} \int \rho_i(x_i) \log \rho_i(x_i) \, dx_i$$
 subject to 
$$\int x_i^j \rho_i(x_i) \, dx_i = \mu_{i,j}, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq m.$$

- ▶ then  $\rho_i(x_i) = \exp(-\sum_{j=0}^m \nu_j^{(i)} x_i^j 1)$  where  $\nu$  are the Lagrange multiplier
- ▶ given  $V(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} \nu_j^{(i)} x_i^j + 1$ , approximate  $\varphi_i$  associated to V

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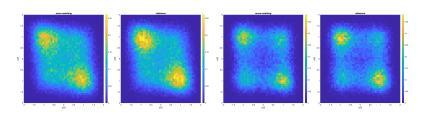
# Example: Ginsburg-Landau

$$\rho_0 = \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-\beta_{\rm GL} V_{\rm GL}(x))$$

with

$$V_{\rm GL}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left( \frac{\lambda_{\rm GL}}{2} \left( \frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{h} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4\lambda_{\rm GL}} (1 - x_i^2)^2 \right)$$

	Mean-field	Fourier basis	Hermite polynomial
strong interaction	0.0512	0.0575	0.0588
weak interaction	0.0657	0.0652	0.0685



Example: MNIST

**Trick:** PCA: 728 dim  $\rightarrow$  10 dim



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## Summary

- Choose (appropriate) potential V
- calculate the "moments"

$$\int \varphi_i(x)\rho_t(x)dx = e^{\lambda_i t} \int \varphi_i(x)\rho_0(x)dx$$

- expand  $s(t,x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} c_i(t)\varphi_i(x)$
- given a time discretization, minimize

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## Thank you for your attention

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