

COV877 Special Module on Visual Computing

Generative AI for Visual Content Creation: Image, Video, and 3D

StyleGAN, Normalizing Flows and VAE

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- StyleGAN controls the output image at different scales and separates style from noise
- latent variable injected to the inputs No of the generator at various points
- to modify the current representation at these points in different ways.



- Automatically learn, unsupervised separation of high-level attributes (e.g., pose and identity when trained on human faces) and
- Stochastic variation in the generated images (e.g., freckles, hair)
- Provides intuitive, scale-specific control of the synthesis

Key Philosophy

• control the strength of image features at different scales



- Map the input to an intermediate latent space W
- Controls the generator through adaptive instance normalization (AdaIN) at each convolution layer
- Gaussian noise is added after each convolution

"A" learned affine transform "B" applies learned per-channel scaling factors to the noise input

AdaIN
$$(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y}_{s,i} \frac{\mathbf{x}_i - \mu(\mathbf{x}_i)}{\sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)} + \mathbf{y}_{b,i}$$



(b) Style-based generator

Properties of StyleGAN

- Mapping network and affine transformations focus on drawing samples for each style from a learned distribution
- Synthesis network generates a novel image based on a collection of styles.
- The effects of each style are localized in the network, i.e., modifying a specific subset of the styles can be expected to affect only certain aspects of the image.

Reason ?

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- It modifies the relative importance of features for the subsequent convolution operation, (not depending on original statistics)
- Each style controls only one convolution before being overridden by the next AdaIN operation.



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- the corresponding w1, w2 control the styles so that w1 applies before the crossover point and w2 after it.
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Stochastic Variations

- Many features are stochastic in nature such as the exact placement of hairs, stubble, freckles, or skin pores
- Adding noise helps in maintaining stochasticity
- (a) Noise is applied to all layers.
- (b) No noise.
- (c) Noise in fine layers only $(64^2 1024^2)$.
- (d) Noise in coarse layers only $(4^2 32^2)$



Image Translation - StyleGAN (Disentanglement Analysis)

- Common Definition : latent space that consists of linear subspaces, each of which controls one factor of variation
 - But StyleGAN doesn't explicitly learn factor of variations
- Perceptual Path Length and Linear Separability

Perceptually-based pairwise image distance : a weighted difference between two VGG16 embeddings

Entangled Space : Features that are absent in either endpoint may appear in the middle of a linear interpolation path

$$l_{\mathcal{Z}} = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}d(G(\operatorname{slerp}(\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2; t)), \\ G(\operatorname{slerp}(\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2; t+\epsilon)))\right]$$

$$\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2 \sim P(\mathbf{z}), t \sim U(0, 1), G$$
 generator $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$

$$l_{\mathcal{W}} = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}d\big(g(\operatorname{lerp}(f(\mathbf{z}_1), f(\mathbf{z}_2); t)), g(\operatorname{lerp}(f(\mathbf{z}_1), f(\mathbf{z}_2); t+\epsilon))\big)\right]$$

Less curved latent space should result in perceptually smoother transition than a highly curved latent space

Image Translation - StyleGAN (Disentanglement Analysis)

Mathad	Path length		Separa-
Method	full	end	bility
B Traditional generator \mathcal{Z}	412.0	415.3	10.78
D Style-based generator \mathcal{W}	446.2	376.6	3.61
E + Add noise inputs W	200.5	160.6	3.54
+ Mixing 50% \mathcal{W}	231.5	182.1	3.51
F + Mixing 90% W	234.0	195.9	3.79

A low value suggests consistent latent space directions for the corresponding factor(s) of variation.

final separability score as $exp(\sum_i H(Y_i|X_i))$, where *i* enumerates the 40 attributes.

- If a latent space is sufficiently disentangled, it should be possible to find direction vectors that consistently correspond to individual factors of variation.
- Measuring how well the latent-space points can be separated into two distinct sets via a linear hyperplane,
 -each set corresponds to a specific binary attribute of the image.
- Train an auxilliary classifiers on 40 attributes from Celeba-HQ dataset generate 200,000 images with $z \sim P(z)$
- Retain the half 100k latent-space vectors
- Fit a Linear SVM
- compute the conditional entropy H(Y |X) where X = classes predicted by the SVM and Y = classes predicted by the pre-trained classifier.

Normalizing Flows

GAN

- Can generate new samples
- Evaluating the probability that the generated sample belongs to the same dataset isn't straightforward

Normalizing Flows

- Probabilistic generative model
- Learns probability model by transformaing a simple distribution to a complex



Tractable base distribution

Probability of a data point x under transformed distribution

- The probability density will decrease in areas that are stretched by the function
 - since the area under the new distribution remains one
- The degree to which a function *f*[*z*, *φ*] stretches or compresses its input depends on the magnitude of its gradient

 $Pr(x|\phi) = \left(\frac{\partial f[z,\phi]}{\partial z} \right)^{-1} \cdot Pr(z)$ Magnitude of the derivative of the function



- The forward mapping (base density to model density) is called **generative direction** $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}, \phi]$
- The inverse mapping (model density to base density) is called **normalizing direction** z = f⁻¹[x, φ]
 base density is the standard normal distribution



Normalizing Flows - Training Objective

Find parameters ϕ that maximize the likelihood of the training data or equivalently minimize the negative loglikelihood:

$$\hat{\phi} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} \left[\prod_{i=1}^{I} Pr(x_i | \phi) \right]$$
$$= \operatorname{argmin}_{\phi} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{I} -\log \left[Pr(x_i | \phi) \right] \right]$$
$$= \operatorname{argmin}_{\phi} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{I} \log \left[\left| \frac{\partial f[z_i, \phi]}{\partial z_i} \right| \right] - \log \left[Pr(z_i) \right] \right]$$

$$Pr(x|\phi) = \left|\frac{\partial f[z,\phi]}{\partial z}\right|^{-1} \cdot Pr(z)$$

Normalizing Flows - General Scenario

- $Pr(\mathbf{z})$ multivariate base density
- $Pr(\mathbf{x})$ multivariate model density

Deep Neural Network

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}, \emptyset] \qquad \qquad \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{x}$$

• How to get a new sample ? $\mathbf{z}^* \sim Pr(\mathbf{z})$ $\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}^*, \phi] \longrightarrow \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{D}$ Jacobian Matrix R^D R^D $Pr(\mathbf{x}|\phi) = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}, \phi]}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \right]^{-1} Pr(\mathbf{z})$

Forward Mapping $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\phi}] = \mathbf{f}_{K} \left[\mathbf{f}_{K-1} \left[\dots \mathbf{f}_{2} \left[\mathbf{f}_{1}[\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{1}], \boldsymbol{\phi}_{2} \right], \dots \boldsymbol{\phi}_{K-1} \right], \boldsymbol{\phi}_{K} \right]$

Inverse Mapping / Normalizing Direction $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{f}^{-1}[\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\phi}] = \mathbf{f}_1^{-1} \left[\mathbf{f}_2^{-1} \left[\dots \mathbf{f}_{K-1}^{-1} \left[\mathbf{f}_K^{-1}[\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_K], \boldsymbol{\phi}_{K-1} \right], \dots \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 \right], \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 \right]$

Gradually **move/flow** data density towards **normal** distribution $Pr(\mathbf{z})$

Normalizing Flows - General Scenario



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Normalizing Flows - General Scenario (Training)

- Dataset $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}$
- **Training Objective** : Maximize the probability of each data sample **x**_i

$$\hat{\phi} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} \left[\prod_{i=1}^{I} \Pr(\mathbf{z}_{i}) \cdot \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}_{i}, \phi]}{\partial \mathbf{z}_{i}} \right|^{-1} \right]$$
$$= \operatorname{argmin}_{\phi} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{I} \log \left[\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}_{i}, \phi]}{\partial \mathbf{z}_{i}} \right| \right] - \log \left[\Pr(\mathbf{z}_{i}) \right] \right]$$
 Negative log-likelihood

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\phi}]}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K}[\mathbf{f}_{K-1}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{K}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-1}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-1}[\mathbf{f}_{K-2}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{K-1}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-2}} \dots \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{2}[\mathbf{f}_{1}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{2}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{1}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{1}[\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{1}]}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$$

$$\left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{z},\boldsymbol{\phi}]}{\partial \mathbf{z}}\right| = \left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K}[\mathbf{f}_{K-1},\boldsymbol{\phi}_{K}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-1}}\right| \cdot \left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-1}[\mathbf{f}_{K-2},\boldsymbol{\phi}_{K-1}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{K-2}}\right| \cdots \left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{2}[\mathbf{f}_{1},\boldsymbol{\phi}_{2}]}{\partial \mathbf{f}_{1}}\right| \cdot \left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{1}[\mathbf{z},\boldsymbol{\phi}_{1}]}{\partial \mathbf{z}}\right|$$

Normalizing Flows - Invertible Layers

->Invertible Matrix

Linear Flows : f[h]

 $\mathbf{f}[\mathbf{h}] = \mathbf{\beta} + \mathbf{\omega}\mathbf{h}$

- expensive, not sufficiently expressive
- normal to normal mapping (input is normally distributed)
- difficult to map to arbitrary density using linear flows alone

Elementwise/Nonlinear Flow
$$\mathbf{f}[\mathbf{h}] = \left[\mathbf{f}[h_1, \boldsymbol{\phi}], \mathbf{f}[h_2, \boldsymbol{\phi}], \dots \mathbf{f}[h_D, \boldsymbol{\phi}] \right]^T$$

- could be fixed nonlinearity (leaky ReLU)
- parametric one-to-one mapping

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} \partial \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{h}] \\ \partial \mathbf{h} \end{array} \right| = \prod_{d=1}^{D} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}[h_d]}{\partial h_d} \right|$$
jacobian is a diagonal

(since dth input only affects dth output)

Normalizing Flows - Invertible Layers

- Elementwise flows are nonlinear but don't mix input dimensions,
- Can't capture correlations between variables.
- Elementwise flows alternated with linear flows can be used to model more complex transformations



Coupling Flows :

 $\mathbf{h} = [\mathbf{h}_1^T, \mathbf{h}_2^T]^T$

- To make a more general transformation,
 - the elements of *h* are randomly shuffled using permutation matrices between layers,
 - every variable is ultimately transformed by every other

e.g., images, the channels are divided and permuted between layers using 1×1 convolutions

Normalizing Flows - Autoregressive Flows

Autoregressive flows are a **generalization of coupling flows** that treat each input dimension as a separate "block

$$h'_d = \mathrm{g}\Big[h_d, \boldsymbol{\phi}[\mathbf{h}_{1:d-1}]\Big]$$



Normalizing Flows - Residual Flows

a) $egin{array}{rcl} {f h}_1' &=& {f h}_1 + {f f}_1[{f h}_2, {m \phi}_1] \ {f h}_2' &=& {f h}_2 + {f f}_2[{f h}_1', {m \phi}_2], \end{array}$ $\textbf{f}_1[\textbf{h}_2, \boldsymbol{\phi}_1]$ ► **h**'₁ \mathbf{h}_1 $\mathbf{f}_2[\mathbf{h}_1', \boldsymbol{\phi}_2]$ \mathbf{h}_2' $|\mathbf{h}_2|$ b) $egin{array}{rcl} {f h}_2 &=& {f h}_2' - {f f}_2[{f h}_1', {m \phi}_2] \ {f h}_1 &=& {f h}_1' - {f f}_1[{f h}_2, {m \phi}_1] \end{array}$ $\mathbf{f}_1[\mathbf{h}_2, \boldsymbol{\phi}_1]$ \mathbf{h}_1' \mathbf{h}_1 $-\mathbf{h}_2'$ $\mathbf{f}_2[\mathbf{h}_1', \boldsymbol{\phi}_2]$ $|\mathbf{h}_2|$

Normalizing Flows - Multi-Scale Flows



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Multi-scale



(a) One step of our flow.

(b) Multi-scale architecture (Dinh et al., 2016).

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actnorm layer

- performs an affine transformation of the activations using a scale and bias parameter per channel, similar to batch normalization.
- These parameters are initialized such that the post-actnorm activations per-channel have zero mean and unit variance given an initial minibatch of data.
- This is a form of data dependent initialization



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- 1 × 1 convolution with equal number of input and output channels is a generalization of a permutation operation

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class Invertible1x1Conv(nn.Module):

```
def __init__(self, dim):
    super().__init__()
    self.dim = dim
    Q = torch.nn.init.orthogonal_(torch.randn(dim, dim))
    P, L, U = torch.lu_unpack(*Q.lu())
    self.P = P
    self.L = nn.Parameter(L)
    self.S = nn.Parameter(U.diag())
    self.U = nn.Parameter(U.diag())
    self.U = nn.Parameter(torch.triu(U, diagonal=1))
def _assemble_W(self):
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    """
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```
""" assemble W from its pieces (P, L, U, S) """
L = torch.tril(self.L, diagonal=-1) + torch.diag(torch.ones(self.dim))
U = torch.triu(self.U, diagonal=1)
W = self.P @ L @ (U + torch.diag(self.S))
return W
```

```
def forward(self, x):
    W = self._assemble_W()
    z = x @ W
    log_det = torch.sum(torch.log(torch.abs(self.S)))
    return z, log_det
```

```
def backward(self, z):
    W = self._assemble_W()
    W_inv = torch.inverse(W)
    x = z @ W_inv
    log_det = -torch.sum(torch.log(torch.abs(self.S)))
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Random Results



Linear interpolation in latent space between real images



Semantic Manipulation



(a) Smiling

(b) Pale Skin



(c) Blond Hair

(d) Narrow Eyes



(f) Male