# CS886: Diffusion Models <br> Lec 05: Reverse Stochastic Differential Equations 

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"I can illustrate the ... approach with the ... image of a nut to be opened. The first analogy that came to my mind is of immersing the nut in some softening liquid, and why not simply water? From time to time you rub so the liquid penetrates better, and otherwise, you let time pass. The shell becomes more flexible through weeks and months - when the time is ripe, hand pressure is enough, the shell opens like a perfectly ripened avocado! A different image came to me a few weeks ago. The unknown thing to be known appeared to me as some stretch of earth or hard marble, resisting penetration ... the sea advances insensibly in silence, nothing seems to happen, nothing moves, the water is so far off you hardly hear it ... yet finally it surrounds the resistant substance."

- Alexandre Grothendieck
$\langle\nabla, \mathbf{b}\rangle:=\sum_{i} \nabla_{i} b_{i}, \quad$ in particular $\langle\nabla, \nabla p\rangle=\sum_{i} \nabla_{i}\left(\nabla_{i} p\right)=\sum_{i} \nabla_{i}^{2} p=: \Delta p$.
- $\mathbf{b}: \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d}$ and $p: \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Not to confuse the scalar $\langle\nabla, \nabla p\rangle$ with the matrix $\nabla^{2} p$

$$
\int\langle\nabla p(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x})\rangle \mathrm{d} \mathbf{x}=-\int p(\mathbf{x})\langle\nabla, \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x})\rangle \mathrm{d} \mathbf{x}
$$

- Assuming each $p b_{i}$ vanishes at the boundary
- "Just" pull the scale-valued function $p$ out of the inner product and negate the sign

$$
\left\langle\nabla^{2}, A\right\rangle=\sum_{i, j} \nabla_{i j}^{2} A_{i j}, \quad \text { in particular }\left\langle\nabla^{2}, p I\right\rangle=\Delta p
$$

- $A: \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ and $p: \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Again, not to confuse the scalar $\left\langle\nabla^{2}, A\right\rangle$ with the tensor $\nabla^{2} A$
- We omit arguments of functions whenever no confusion will result in
- for instance, we will rewrite integration by parts simply as

$$
\int\langle\nabla p, \mathbf{b}\rangle=-\int p\langle\nabla, \mathbf{b}\rangle \Longleftrightarrow \int\langle\nabla p+p \nabla, \mathbf{b}\rangle=\int\langle\nabla, p \mathbf{b}\rangle=0
$$

- it should be clear that $p$ and $\mathbf{b}$ are functions, whose arguments are being integrated over


## Fokker-Planck-Kolmogorov Equation

$$
\begin{aligned}
\partial_{t} p & =\mathrm{L}_{t}^{*} p \\
-\partial_{s} p & =-\mathrm{L}_{s} p=\langle\mathbf{b}, \mathrm{b}, \nabla p\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

(forward)
(backward)

## FPK for SDE

Consider the stochastic differential equation

$$
\mathrm{d} \mathrm{X}_{t}=\mathrm{b}_{t}\left(\mathrm{X}_{t}\right) \mathrm{d} t+G_{t}\left(\mathrm{X}_{t}\right) \mathrm{dB}_{t}
$$

and its generator

$$
\mathrm{L}_{t} f(\mathbf{x}):=\left\langle\mathbf{b}_{t}(\mathbf{x}), \nabla f(\mathbf{x})\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle G_{t}(\mathbf{x}) G_{t}(\mathbf{x})^{\top}, \nabla^{2} f(\mathbf{x})\right\rangle
$$

Then,

$$
\begin{gathered}
\partial_{t} p=\mathrm{L}_{t}^{*} p=-\left\langle\nabla_{\mathbf{y}}, p \mathbf{b}\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, p G G^{\top}\right\rangle \\
\partial_{s} p=\mathrm{L}_{s} p=\langle\mathbf{b}, \nabla p\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle G G^{\top}, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle
\end{gathered}
$$

- Continuity equation when $G=0$


## Wasserstein Gradient

- Wasserstein inner product on two functions $h_{1}$ and $h_{2}$ with $\int h_{1}=\int h_{2}=0$ :

$$
\left\langle h_{1}, h_{2}\right\rangle_{p}:=\int\left\langle\nabla \varphi_{1}, \nabla \varphi_{2}\right\rangle \cdot p \mathrm{~d} \mathbf{x}, \quad \text { where } \quad \varphi_{i} \quad \text { solves }\left\langle\nabla, p \nabla \varphi_{i}\right\rangle=-h_{i}
$$

- Wasserstein gradient represents derivative w.r.t. Wasserstein inner product:

$$
\left\langle\nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f(p), \partial_{t} p_{t} \upharpoonright_{t=0}\right\rangle_{p}=\frac{\mathrm{d} f\left(p_{t}\right)}{\mathrm{d} t} \upharpoonright_{t=0},
$$

where $p_{t}:(-\epsilon, \epsilon) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{2}$ is any smooth curve with $p_{0}=p$

- Explicit formula through $L_{2}$ gradient:

$$
\nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f(p)=-\left\langle\nabla, p \nabla \nabla_{L_{2}} f(p)\right\rangle
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{d} \mathrm{X}_{t} & =-\nabla \varphi\left(\mathrm{X}_{t}\right) \mathrm{d} t+\sqrt{2 \beta} \mathrm{~dB}_{t} \\
\partial_{t} p & =\langle\nabla, p \nabla \varphi\rangle+\beta \Delta p=\left\langle\nabla, p\left(\nabla \varphi+\beta \mathbf{s}_{p}\right)\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

- If $\varphi$ does not grow too fast, unique solution of FPK, a.k.a. Boltzmann-Gibbs:

$$
\mathbf{s}_{p}=-\nabla \varphi / \beta \Longleftrightarrow p \propto \exp (-\varphi / \beta)
$$

- Lyapunov function:

$$
f(p)=\int p \varphi+\beta p \log p-\beta p=\beta \operatorname{KL}(p \| q)+f_{\star}, q \propto \exp (-\varphi / \beta), f_{\star}:=\inf f=c(\beta)
$$

- FPK equation becomes the Wasserstein gradient flow:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} p_{t}}{\mathrm{~d} t}=-\nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f\left(p_{t}\right)
$$

Assuming $\varphi$ is $\lambda$-convex, we have

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} f\left(p_{t}\right)}{\mathrm{d} t}=\left\langle\nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f\left(p_{t}\right), \partial_{t} p_{t}\right\rangle_{p_{t}}=-\left\langle\nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f\left(p_{t}\right), \nabla_{\mathbb{W}_{2}} f\left(p_{t}\right)\right\rangle_{p_{t}} \leq-2 \lambda\left[f\left(p_{t}\right)-f_{\star}\right]
$$

$$
f\left(p_{t}\right)-f_{\star} \leq e^{-2 \lambda t}\left[f\left(p_{0}\right)-f_{\star}\right]
$$

$$
\mathbb{W}_{2}^{2}\left(p_{t}, q\right) \leq \frac{2}{\lambda}\left[f\left(p_{t}\right)-f_{\star}\right] \leq \frac{2}{\lambda} e^{-2 \lambda t}\left[f\left(p_{0}\right)-f_{\star}\right]
$$

$$
\frac{1}{2}\left\|p_{t}-q\right\|_{1}^{2} \leq \mathrm{KL}\left(p_{t} \| q\right)=\left[f\left(p_{t}\right)-f_{\star}\right] / \beta \leq e^{-2 \lambda t} \cdot \frac{f\left(p_{0}\right)-f_{\star}}{\beta}
$$

## Log-Sobolev Inequality

Consider the Boltzmann-Gibbs density $q \propto \exp (-\varphi / \beta)$ for some $\lambda$-convex $\varphi$. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\beta \mathrm{KL}(p \| q) & =f(p)-f_{\star} \leq \frac{1}{2 \lambda}\left\langle\nabla_{\mathrm{W}_{2}} f(p), \nabla_{\mathrm{W}_{2}} f(p)\right\rangle_{p}=\frac{1}{2 \lambda} \int\left\|\nabla \varphi+\beta \mathbf{s}_{p}\right\|_{2}^{2} \cdot p \mathrm{~d} \mathbf{x} \\
& \leq \frac{\beta^{2}}{2 \lambda} \int\left\|\mathbf{s}_{q}-\mathbf{s}_{p}\right\|_{2}^{2} \cdot p \mathrm{~d} \mathbf{x}
\end{aligned}
$$

To put in a more succinct and familiar form:

$$
\mathrm{KL}(p \| q) \leq \frac{\beta}{2 \lambda} \mathrm{~F}(p \| q) \text {, where } \quad q \propto \exp (-\varphi / \beta) \text { for some } \lambda \text {-convex } \varphi
$$

## Reverse-time SDE

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{d} \mathrm{X}_{t} & =\mathrm{b}_{t}\left(\mathrm{X}_{t}\right) \mathrm{d} t+G_{t}\left(\mathrm{X}_{t}\right) \mathrm{dB}_{t} \\
\mathrm{~d} \overleftarrow{\mathrm{X}}_{t} & =\overleftarrow{\mathrm{b}}_{t}\left(\overleftarrow{\mathrm{X}}_{t}\right) \mathrm{d} t+\overleftarrow{G}_{t}\left(\overleftarrow{\mathrm{X}}_{t}\right) \mathrm{d} \overleftarrow{\mathrm{~B}}_{t}
\end{aligned}
$$

(forward-SDE)
(reverse-SDE)

- FPK to reverse-SDE (negation due to time reversal: $\overleftarrow{\mathrm{X}}_{t}=\mathrm{X}_{1-t}$ ):

$$
-\partial_{s} \overleftarrow{p}(s, \mathbf{x}, t, \mathbf{y})=-\langle\nabla, \stackrel{\leftarrow}{p}\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, \overleftarrow{\leftarrow} \overleftarrow{\leftarrow} A\right\rangle, \quad \text { where } \quad \overleftarrow{A}:=\overleftarrow{G} \overleftarrow{G}^{\top}
$$

- FPK to forward-SDE for $p(s, \mathbf{x}, t, \mathbf{y})$ and $q(s, \mathbf{x})$ :

$$
-\partial_{s} \log p=\frac{\langle\mathbf{b}, \nabla p\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle}{p}, \quad-\partial_{s} \log q=\frac{\langle\nabla, q \mathbf{b}\rangle-\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, q A\right\rangle}{q}, \quad A:=G G^{\top}
$$

[^0]Let $r=p q$ (the joint density of $\mathrm{X}_{s}$ and $\mathrm{X}_{t}$ ). We add the above two equations:

$$
\begin{aligned}
-\partial_{s} \log r= & \frac{\langle\mathbf{b}, \nabla p\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle}{p}+\frac{\langle\nabla, q \mathbf{b}\rangle-\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, q A\right\rangle}{q} \\
= & \langle\mathbf{b}, \nabla \log p\rangle+\frac{1}{2 p}\left\langle A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle+\langle\nabla \log q, \mathbf{b}\rangle+\langle\nabla, \mathbf{b}\rangle-\frac{1}{2 q}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, q A\right\rangle \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\langle\nabla, r \mathbf{b}\rangle+\frac{q}{2}\left\langle A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle-\frac{p}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, q A\right\rangle\right] \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\langle\nabla, r \mathbf{b}\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle q A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle-\frac{1}{2}\langle p \nabla, \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle\right] \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\langle\nabla, r \mathbf{b}\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle q A, \nabla^{2} p\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\langle\nabla p, \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle-\frac{1}{2}\langle\nabla p, \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle-\right. \\
& \left.\quad-\frac{1}{2}\langle p \nabla, \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle\right] \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\langle\nabla, r \mathbf{b}\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\langle\nabla,(\nabla p) \cdot(q A)\rangle-\frac{1}{2}\langle\nabla, p \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle\right] \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\langle\nabla, r \mathbf{b}\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\langle\nabla, \nabla \cdot(p q A)\rangle-\langle\nabla, p \nabla \cdot(q A)\rangle\right] \\
= & \frac{1}{r}\left[\left\langle\nabla, r\left(\mathbf{b}-\frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot(q A)\right)\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, r A\right\rangle\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
-\partial_{s} r=\left\langle\nabla, r\left(\mathbf{b}-\frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot(q A)\right)\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, r A\right\rangle
$$

- Dividing both sides by $q(t, \mathbf{y})$ (and noting that $\nabla$ and $\nabla^{2}$ are w.r.t. x):

$$
\begin{aligned}
-\partial_{s} \stackrel{\leftarrow}{p}(s, \mathbf{x}, t, \mathbf{y}) & =\left\langle\nabla, \stackrel{\leftarrow}{p}\left(\mathbf{b}-\frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot(q A)\right)\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\nabla^{2}, \overleftarrow{p} A\right\rangle \\
& =\left\langle\nabla, \stackrel{\leftarrow}{p}\left(\mathbf{b}-A \mathbf{s}_{q}+\frac{1}{2} A \mathbf{s}_{\stackrel{p}{ }}-\frac{1}{2} \nabla \cdot A\right)\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

- Comparing with the FPK for reverse-SDE, we may identify

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \overleftarrow{G}_{1-t}=G_{t}, \overleftarrow{\mathbf{b}}_{1-t}=-\mathbf{b}_{t}+\frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot\left(q G_{t} G_{t}^{\top}\right), \text { or, } \\
& \overleftarrow{G}_{1-t}=0, \overleftarrow{\mathbf{b}}_{1-t}=-\mathbf{b}_{t}+G_{t} G_{t}^{\top} \mathbf{s}_{q}-\frac{1}{2} G_{t} G_{t}^{\top} \mathbf{s}_{\overleftarrow{p}}+\frac{1}{2} \nabla \cdot\left(G_{t} G_{t}^{\top}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Expectation-Maxmization

- Given training data $\left\{\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_{n}\right\} \sim q(\mathbf{x})$, the data density
- Parameterize $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$, the joint model density, e.g. Gaussian mixture
- Estimate $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ by minimizing some "distance" between $q$ (the unknown data density) and $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ (the chosen model density):
$\min _{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \min _{q(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})} \mathrm{KL}\left(q(\mathbf{x}) q(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}) \| p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})\right) \approx-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int\left[\log q\left(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)-\log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{z}\right)\right] \cdot q\left(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}_{i}\right) \mathrm{d} \mathbf{z}$

$$
q(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})=p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})
$$

- After training, can generate new data $X \sim p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$ (by discarding $Z$ )
- Need a training sample from $q(\mathbf{x})$, an explicit form of $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$ and $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})$
- Monte Carlo EM: can sample from $p_{\theta}(\mathrm{z} \mid \mathrm{x})$


## Variational Inference

$$
\min _{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \min _{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \mathrm{KL}\left(q(\mathbf{x}) q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}) \| p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})\right)
$$

- Parameterize $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=p(\mathbf{z}) \cdot p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})$, with $p(\mathbf{z})$ standard Gaussian (say)
- Parameterize $q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})$, in case the optimal solution $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})$ is hard to compute
- Encoder: $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})$, from latent $\mathbf{z}$ to observation $\mathbf{x}$
- Decoder: $q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})$, from observation $\mathbf{x}$ to latent $\mathbf{z}$
- After training, can generate new data $\mathbf{X} \sim p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{Z})$, where $\mathbf{Z} \sim p(\mathbf{z})$
- With only a training sample from $q(\mathbf{x}), p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})$ and $q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})$


## VAE as Triangular Flow

- Consider reference densities $s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=p(\mathbf{z}) \cdot q(\mathbf{x})$ and $r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=p(\mathbf{z}) \cdot \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} ; \mathbf{0}, I)$
- recall that $q$ is the (unknown) data density and $p$ is say standard Gaussian

Theorem: Uniqueness for increasing triangular maps
For any two densities $r$ and $p$ on $\mathbb{R}^{d}$, there exists a unique (up to permutation) increasing triangular map $\mathbf{T}$ so that $p=\mathbf{T}_{\#} r$.

- It follows that $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=p(\mathbf{z}) p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})=\left(\mathbf{T}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \times \mathrm{Id}\right)_{\#} r$, where $\mathbf{T}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}: \mathbb{R}^{z+x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{x}$
- Similarly, $q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=q(\mathbf{x}) q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})=\left(\operatorname{Id} \times \mathbf{S}_{\phi}\right)_{\#} s$, where $\mathbf{S}_{\phi}: \mathbb{R}^{z+x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{z}$

$$
\mathrm{KL}\left(q(\mathbf{x}) q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}) \| p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})\right)=\mathrm{KL}\left(\left(\operatorname{Id} \times \mathbf{S}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}\right)_{\# s} \|\left(\mathbf{T}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \times \mathrm{Id}\right)_{\# r} r\right)
$$

- Can apply change-of-variable to compute density of $p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=\left(\mathbf{T}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \times \mathrm{Id}\right)_{\#} r$
- Can sample from $q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=\left(\operatorname{Id} \times \mathbf{S}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}\right)_{\# s} ;$ recall $s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=p(\mathbf{z}) \cdot q(\mathbf{x})$
- e.g. $S_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=\mathbf{m}_{\phi}(\mathbf{x})+\sigma_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) \odot \mathbf{z}$
$\mathrm{KL}\left(q(\mathbf{x}) q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}) \| p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z})\right) \equiv \underbrace{-\mathbb{E}_{q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})} \log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})}_{\text {reconstruction }}+\underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{x})}\left[\mathrm{KL}\left(q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x}), p(\mathbf{z})\right)\right]}_{\text {regularization }}$


## Euler-Maruyama

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{X}_{t} & =\mathrm{X}_{s}+\int_{s}^{t} \mathrm{~b}_{\tau}\left(\mathrm{X}_{\tau}\right) \mathrm{d} \tau+\int_{s}^{t} G_{\tau}\left(\mathrm{X}_{\tau}\right) \mathrm{dB} \\
& \approx \mathrm{X}_{s}+\mathrm{b}_{s}\left(\mathrm{X}_{s}\right) \cdot[t-s]+G_{s}\left(\mathrm{X}_{s}\right)\left[\mathrm{B}_{t}-\mathrm{B}_{s}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

- Divide 0 := $t_{0}<t_{1}<\cdots<t_{n}<t_{n+1}=t$
- For $k=1, \ldots, n$, compute

$$
\mathrm{X}_{t_{k+1}}=\mathrm{X}_{t_{k}}+b_{t_{k}}\left(X_{t_{k}}\right) \cdot \Delta t_{k}+G_{t_{k}}\left(\mathrm{X}_{t_{k}}\right) \cdot \Delta B_{t_{k}}
$$

$$
-\Delta B_{t_{k}} \stackrel{i . i . d .}{\sim} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \Delta t_{k}\right)
$$

## Score Matching

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{F}(p \| q) & :=\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left\|\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathrm{X})-\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathrm{X})\right\|_{2}^{2} \\
& =\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left[\frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathbf{X})\right\|_{2}^{2}+\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathbf{X})\right\rangle+\frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{s}_{q}(\mathrm{X})\right\|_{2}^{2}\right] \\
& \approx \hat{\mathbb{E}}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left[\frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathbf{X})\right\|_{2}^{2}+\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathbf{X})\right\rangle\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

- Under mild conditions, $\mathbb{F}(p \| q)=0 \Longleftrightarrow p \propto q$
- A Convenient way to estimate the score $\mathrm{s}_{q}$ and hence the density $q$
- The model score function $\mathrm{s}_{p}$ can be chosen as any NN

[^1]$$
\min _{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \hat{\mathbb{E}}_{\mathrm{X} \sim q}\left[\frac{1}{2}\|\mathrm{~s}(\mathrm{X} ; \boldsymbol{\theta})\|_{2}^{2}+\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \mathrm{s}(\mathrm{X} ; \boldsymbol{\theta})\right\rangle\right]
$$

- If the model density $p$ is in the exponential family:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x} ; \boldsymbol{\theta}) & =\partial_{\mathbf{x}}\langle\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}), \boldsymbol{\theta}\rangle=\left[\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})\right]^{\top} \boldsymbol{\theta} \\
\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x} ; \boldsymbol{\theta})\right\rangle & =\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}}\langle\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}), \boldsymbol{\theta}\rangle\right\rangle=\left\langle\partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{2} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}), \boldsymbol{\theta}\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

- Can solve $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ in closed-form by simply setting the derivative w.r.t. $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ to $\mathbf{0}$ :

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}=-\left\{\hat{\mathbb{E}}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left[\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})\right]^{\top}\left[\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})\right]\right\}^{-1} \cdot \hat{\mathbb{E}}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left[\partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{2} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})\right]
$$

- For multivariate Gaussian, $\boldsymbol{\theta}=\left(S^{-1}, S^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}\right), \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})=\left(-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^{\top}, \mathbf{x}\right)$ and

$$
\min _{\boldsymbol{\mu}, S} \underset{\mathrm{X} \sim q}{\hat{\mathbb{E}}} \frac{1}{2}\left\|S^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})\right\|_{2}^{2}-\operatorname{tr}\left(S^{-1}\right)
$$

## Denoising Auto-Encoder

- Suppose also have a latent variable $\mathbf{Z}$ with joint density $q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$
- Exchage differentiation with integration we obtain:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{F}(p \| q) & :=\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X} \sim q}\left\|\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(\mathbf{X})-\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{X})\right\|_{2}^{2} \\
& =\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) \sim q}\left[\left\|\mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathbf{X})-\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{X} \mid \mathbf{Z})\right\|_{2}^{2}+\left\|\mathbf{s}_{q}(\mathbf{X})\right\|_{2}^{2}-\left\|\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathrm{X} \mid \mathrm{Z})\right\|_{2}^{2}\right] \\
& \approx \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbb{E}}_{(\mathrm{X}, \mathbf{Z}) \sim q}\left\|\mathbf{s}_{p}(\mathrm{X})-\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathrm{X} \mid \mathbf{Z})\right\|_{2}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Useful when the conditional density $\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \log q(\mathbf{X} \mid \mathbf{Z})$ is easy to obtain

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