# Diffusion Models with Learned Adaptive Noise



 $x \sim p_{\theta}(x)$ 







### **Continuous Diffusion**









### Evidence Lower BOund



## Our Goal

$$\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{t,\mathbf{z}_t \sim q} \nu'(\mathbf{t}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_t)\|_2^2$$

$$\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \geq \max_{p \in \mathcal{P}, q \in \mathcal{Q}} \mathbb{ELBO}(p,q)$$

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## Illustrative Example





















## Multivariate Learned Adaptive Noise (MuLAN)

## **ELBO** improving Noise Schedules

#### Property 1: Multivariate



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Property 2: Adaptive



$$\nu_{\phi}(\mathbf{c},t) \in \mathbb{R}^n_{\geq 0}$$
  $\mathbf{c} \sim q_{\phi}(.|x)$   $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ 

Properties of MuLAN

- 1. Multivariate
- 2. Learned
- 3. Adaptive

 $\phi$  Learnable parameters of the noise schedule

Check out the paper to see why  ${\bf c}~{\rm can't}$  be a deterministic function of  ${\it x}$ 

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#### 4. Discrete Latent

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NELBO: 
$$-\frac{1}{2} \int_{t=0}^{t=1} (x - x_{\theta}(z_{\nu_{\phi}(\mathbf{c},t)}))^2 \odot \frac{d}{dt} \nu_{\phi}(\mathbf{c},t) dt + \mathcal{D}_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_{\phi}(\mathbf{c}|x) || p_{\theta}(\mathbf{c}))$$
  
 $\mathbf{c} \sim q_{\phi}(.|x) \quad \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^m \qquad \nu_{\phi}(\mathbf{c},t) \in \mathbb{R}^n_{\geq 0}$ 

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## Experiments

### Likelihood Evaluation



## **Convergence Speed**



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Train Samples







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