Lossy Image Compression with Conditional Diffusion Models

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Actual marginal distribution of the latent representation: $m(\hat{y})$

- distribution of the image being encoded

- distribution of method used to infer the alternative representation y Shannon cross entropy between the two distributions:

$$
R = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{y} \sim m}[-\log_2 p_{\hat{y}}(\hat{y})]
$$

Side Information:

- additional bits of information sent from the encoder to the decoder
- indicate the entropy model to reduce the mismatch between the model and the actual distribution

Using **VAE** to minimize the total expected code length by learning to balance the amount of side information with the expected improvement of the entropy model.

Variational AutoEncoder

Figure: Architecture of VAE

• Reconstruction Loss: Measuring the difference between the original input data and the data reconstructed through the VAE decoder

$$
L_{recon} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} ||x_i - \hat{x}_i||^2
$$

• KL Divergence: Measurement of the difference between the latent distribution of the encoder output and the a priori latent distribution (usually assumed to be the standard normal distribution) $Loss = L_{recon} + \beta \cdot D_{KL} = -\mathbb{E}_{q(z|x)}[\log p(x|z)] - \beta \cdot \mathsf{KL}[q(z|x) \parallel p(z)]$

Model Structure

Loss function

$$
Loss = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_x} \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \sim q}[-\log p_{x|\tilde{y}}(x|\tilde{y}) - \log p_{\tilde{y}|\tilde{z}}(\tilde{y}|\tilde{z}) - \log p_{\tilde{z}}(\tilde{z})]
$$

- \bullet $\log p_{x|\tilde{y}}(x|\tilde{y})$: distortion of the reconstructed image
- $\bullet \log p_{\tilde{y}|\tilde{z}}(\tilde{y}|\tilde{z}) \log p_{\tilde{z}}(\tilde{z})$: cross entropies encoding \tilde{y} and \tilde{z}
- \bullet − log $p_{\tilde{z}}(\tilde{z})$: side information

Result

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Denoise Diffusion Model

$$
\begin{aligned}\n\mathbf{x}_T &\longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_t \xrightarrow{\mathbf{p}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)} \mathbf{x}_{t-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_0 \\
\hline\nq(\mathbf{x}_n|\mathbf{x}_{n-1} = \mathcal{N}(x_n|\sqrt{1-\beta_n}x_{n-1}, \beta_n \mathbf{I}); \\
p_\theta(x_{n-1}|x_n) & = \mathcal{N}(x_{n-1}|M_\theta(x_n, n), \beta_n \mathbf{I}) \\
L(\theta, x_0) & = \mathbb{E}_{n, \epsilon} \left\| \epsilon - \epsilon_\theta(x_n(x_0), n) \right\|^2\n\end{aligned}
$$

\n- $$
n \sim Unif\{1, ..., N\}
$$
\n- $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$
\n- $x_n(x_0) = \sqrt{\alpha_n}x_0 + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_n} \epsilon$
\n- $\alpha_n = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \beta_i)$
\n

 β_n

Encoder

Compressor

$$
\mathbb{E}_{z \sim e(z|x_0)}[-\log p(x_0|z) - \lambda \log p(z)] \leq \mathbb{E}_{z \sim e(z|x_0)}[L_{upper}(x_0|z) - \lambda \log p(z)]
$$

$$
\sim e(z|x_0)| \quad \sim S_P(w_0|\sim) \quad \ldots \sim S_P(\sim)| \quad \text{if} \quad z \sim e(z|x_0)| \quad \text{where} \quad w_0|\sim) \quad \ldots \sim S_P(\sim)
$$

$$
L_{upper}(x_0|z) = -\mathbb{E}_{x_{1:N}\sim q(x_{1:N}|x_0)}[\log \frac{p(x_{0:N}|z)}{q(x_{1:N}|x_0)}]
$$

$$
L_{upper}(x_0|z) \approx \mathbb{E}_{x_0, n, \epsilon} \left\| \epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N_{train}}) \right\|^2
$$

$$
L_{upper}(x_0|z) \approx \mathbb{E}_{x_0, n, \epsilon} \frac{\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n} \left\| x_0 - \chi_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N_{train}}) \right\|^2
$$

$$
\epsilon(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N}) = \frac{x_n - \sqrt{\alpha_n} \chi_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N})}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_n}}
$$

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L_{upper}(x_0|z) \approx \mathbb{E}_{x_0, n, \epsilon} \frac{\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n} \|x_0 - \chi_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N_{train}})\|^2
$$

$$
L = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim e(z|x_0)} [L_{upper}(x_0|z) - \lambda \log p(z)]
$$

Optional Perceptual Loss

LPIPS(Learned Perceptual Image Patch Similarity):

- Extract features from images(using VGG, or AlexNet)
- ² Compute the differences across various feature maps(Using Euclidean distance)
- **3** Weighted summation

More closely approximates human visual perception, especially effective in handling complex textures and fine details.

$$
L_p = \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon, n, z \sim e(z|x_0)}[d(\bar{x}_0, x_0)]
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$$
L_c = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim e(z|x_0)}[L_{upper}(x_0|z) - \frac{\lambda}{1 - \rho} \log p(z)]
$$

$$
L = \rho L_p + (1 - \rho)L_c
$$

 $\rho \in [0, 1)$: trade-off between bitrate, distortion, and perceptual quality.

Decode Process (diffusion process)

After get z from the compressor model Init the start image:

- Deterministic: $x_N = 0$
- Stochastic: $x_N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \gamma^2 I)$

DDIM:

$$
x_{n-1} = \sqrt{\alpha_{n-1}} \chi_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N}) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{n-1}} \epsilon_{\theta}(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N})
$$

- \bullet χ_{θ} : image predict model (Unet)
- Θ $\beta_n \in (0,1)$: variance schedule

$$
\begin{aligned} \bullet \ \alpha_n &= \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \beta_i) \\ \bullet \ \epsilon(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N}) &= \frac{x_n - \sqrt{\alpha_n} \chi_\theta(x_n, z, \frac{n}{N})}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_n}} \end{aligned}
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Decode process structure: Train

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Decode process structure: Evaluate

Two different types of metrics

- **Perceptual Metrics:** These are mainly used to evaluate how the visual quality of an image or video is perceived by the human eye. e.g. FID, LPIPS
- **Distortion Metrics:** These metrics are primarily used to objectively measure the technical quality of an image or video by calculating the difference between the original and processed images to assess the degree of distortion. e.g. MS-SSIM, PSNR

Weighted file compare

$\gamma = 0.8$, $\rho = 0$, $\lambda = 0.0032$

ground truth

Reproduction $bpp = 0.8786$ \uparrow PSNR = 78.3296 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1553

Original $bpp = 0.7661$ \uparrow PSNR = 76.5053 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1485

Result: Reproduction

$\gamma = 0.8, \ \rho = 0, \ \lambda = 0.0032$

 $bpp = 0.8786$ \uparrow PSNR = 78.3296 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1553

 $bpp = 0.3443$ \uparrow *PSNR* = 84.0804 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.2313

 $bpp = 0.4735$ \uparrow PSNR = 81.9689 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.2063

Result

Result

Different γ , bpp is same

 $\gamma = 0$ \uparrow *PSNR* = 78.3296 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1553

 $\gamma = 0.6$ \uparrow $PSNR = 77.6171$ \downarrow LPIPS = 0.143

 $\gamma = 0.8$ \uparrow PSNR = 77.0089 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1342

 $\gamma=1$ \uparrow PSNR = 76.1467 \downarrow LPIPS = 0.1305

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