## Maximum Likelihood Training for Score-Based Diffusion ODEs by High-Order Denoising Score Matching

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### **Score-based Generative Models**

#### **SDE and ODE**

• ScoreSDE  $p_t^{\text{SDE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_t)$ :  $\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}_t = [\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_t,t) - g(t)^2 \boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_t,t)] \mathrm{d}t + g(t) \mathrm{d}\bar{\boldsymbol{w}}_t$ 

• ScoreODE  $p_t^{ ext{ODE}}(m{x}_t)$  :  $rac{\mathrm{d}m{x}_t}{\mathrm{d}t} = m{h}_p(m{x}_t,t) \coloneqq m{f}(m{x}_t,t) - rac{1}{2}g(t)^2m{s}_{ heta}(m{x}_t,t)$ 

Trained by minimizing weighted combination of score matching objectives:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{SM}}(\theta; \lambda(\cdot)) \coloneqq \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} \lambda(t) \mathbb{E}_{q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t})} \Big[ \|\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}, t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t})\|_{2}^{2} \Big] dt$$

### Score matching is to minimizing (upper bound) KL-divergence of SDEs Maximum likelihood training of ScoreSDEs

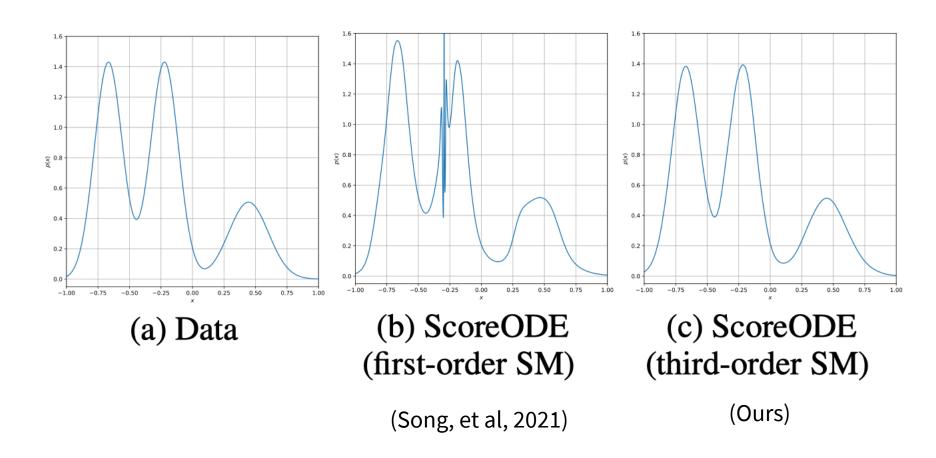
• Score Matching is to maximum likelihood training of **ScoreSDE** (Song, et al, 2021).

$$D_{ ext{KL}}(q_0 \parallel p_0^{ ext{SDE}}) \leq D_{ ext{KL}}(q_T \parallel p_T^{ ext{SDE}}) + \mathcal{J}_{ ext{SM}}( heta; g(\cdot)^2)$$
Very small,  $pprox 10^{-5}$  Weighted Score Matching

### Problem: Score Matching for ScoreODEs is Unclear

First-order score matching is not enough for ScoreODEs

• An 1-D mixture-of-Gaussian distribution. ScoreODE is "Variance Exploding" type.



### Part I.

# Relationship between Score Matching and KL Divergence of ScoreODEs

### Relationship between Data Distribution and Score-based Models

The three distributions are different

$$q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}) \begin{cases} \text{Forward SDE (Eqn.(1))} & \text{Eqn. (3)} \\ \text{Reverse SDE (Eqn.(2))} & \xrightarrow{\text{approximate } \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_{t} \text{ by } \boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}} & \text{$\downarrow$} \text{(Appendix. B)} \\ \text{Probability flow ODE (Eqn.(5))} & \xrightarrow{\text{Eqn. (6)}} & p_{t}^{\text{ODE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{(a) Relationship between } q_{t}, p_{t}^{\text{SDE}} \text{ and } p_{t}^{\text{ODE}}.$$

**Proposition 1.** (ours, informal). Assume  $f(x_t, t)$  is linear w.r.t.  $x_t$ , if  $p_t^{SDE} = p_t^{ODE}$ , then  $p_t^{SDE}$  is a Gaussian distribution for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

For SGMs trained on the real data,  $p_t^{SDE}$  is always different from  $p_t^{ODE}$  (even if the score model achieves the optimum).

### Motivation: Exact Likelihood Computation of ScoreODEs

First-order score matching is not enough for ScoreODEs

• **Theorem**. (Ricky T. Q. Chen et al., 2018) "Instantaneous Change of Variables":

$$\log p_0^{\text{ODE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_0) = \log p_T^{\text{ODE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_T) + \int_0^T \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \cdot \left( \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) - \frac{1}{2} g(t)^2 \boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) \right) dt$$

- Score matching can only control  $s_{\theta}(x_t, t)$ , but **cannot control**  $\nabla_x s_{\theta}(x_t, t)$ !
- A straightforward way: Directly MLE by the above equation?

#### No!

Even for evaluation, computing the likelihood of a **single batch** needs **2~3 minutes**.

### **KL-Divergence of ScoreODEs**

The score matching objective is part of KL-divergence

**Theorem 1.** (ours, informal) The KL-divergence between data distribution and ScoreODE distribution is:

$$D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_0 \parallel p_0^{ODE}) = D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_T \parallel p_T^{ODE}) + \mathcal{J}_{ODE}(\theta)$$

$$= \underbrace{D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_T \parallel p_T^{ODE}) + \mathcal{J}_{SM}(\theta)}_{upper \ bound \ of \ D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_0 \parallel p_0^{SDE}) \ in \ Eqn. \ (4)}_{Uncontrolled \ Error}$$

where

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{ODE}}(\theta) \coloneqq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \Big[ (\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t))^{\top} \Big( \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log p_t^{\text{ODE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t) \Big) \Big] dt,$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{Diff}}(\theta) \coloneqq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \Big[ (\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t))^{\top} \Big( \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log p_t^{\text{ODE}}(\boldsymbol{x}_t) - \boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) \Big) \Big] dt.$$

### **Bounding the KL-Divergence of ScoreODEs**

### Turn MLE to score matching

By Cauchy–Schwarz inequality:

$$D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_0 \parallel p_0^{\mathrm{ODE}}) = D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_T \parallel p_T^{\mathrm{ODE}}) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \left[ (\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta} - \nabla \log q_t)^\top (\nabla \log p_t^{\mathrm{ODE}} - \nabla \log q_t) \right] dt$$

$$\leq D_{\mathrm{KL}}(q_T \parallel p_T^{\mathrm{ODE}}) + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \|\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta} - \nabla \log q_t\|_2^2 \mathrm{d}t} \cdot \sqrt{\int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \|\nabla \log p_t^{\mathrm{ODE}} - \nabla \log q_t\|_2^2 \mathrm{d}t}$$

(First-Order) Score Matching (Song, et al, 2021)

$$\sqrt{\int_0^T g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \|\nabla \log p_t^{\text{ODE}} - \nabla \log q_t\|_2^2 dt}$$

Fisher Divergence between ODEs (Uncontrolled error)

### **Bounding Fisher Divergence by High-Order Score Matchings**

First-order, second-order and third-order score matchings

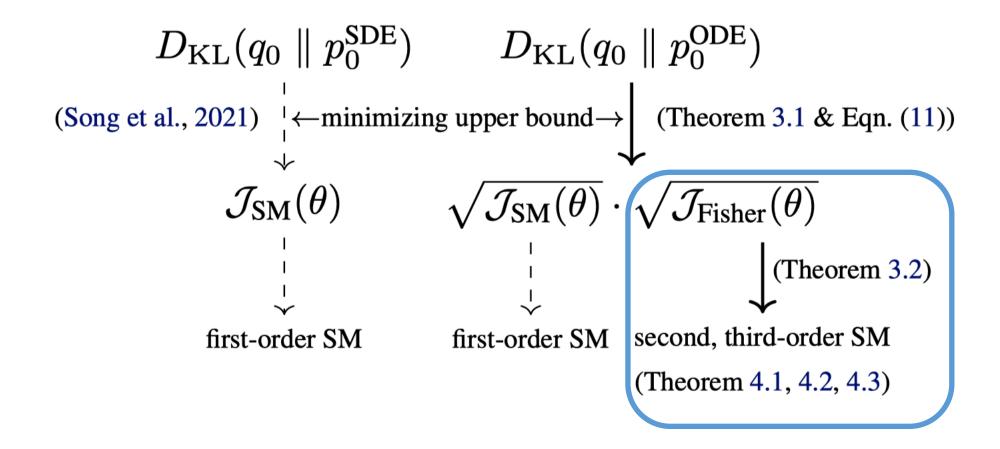
**Theorem 2.** (ours, informal) Assume  $\|\nabla_x \log p_t^{ODE}\|_2 < C$ , then the Fisher divergence between  $q_t$  and  $p_t^{ODE}$  can be bounded by  $U(t; \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, C, q)$ , where  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$  are first-order, second-order and third-order score matching errors:

$$\|\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t})\|_{2} \leq \delta_{1},$$

$$\|\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}^{2} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t})\|_{F} \leq \delta_{2},$$

$$\|\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \operatorname{tr}(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t)) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \operatorname{tr}(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}^{2} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}))\|_{2} \leq \delta_{3}$$

### Summary: Relationship between Score Matching and KL Divergence ScoreSDE and ScoreODE are different



# Part II. Error-Bounded High-Order Denoising Score Matching (DSM)

### **Second-Order Denoising Score Matching**

#### Second-order score function

• The second-order score function includes the first-order score function:

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}}^{2} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}) = \mathbb{E}_{q_{t0}(\boldsymbol{x}_{0}|\boldsymbol{x}_{t})} \boxed{ \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}}^{2} \log q_{0t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}|\boldsymbol{x}_{0}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}} \log q_{0t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}|\boldsymbol{x}_{0}) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}} \log q_{0t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}|\boldsymbol{x}_{0})^{\top} } \\ - \boxed{ \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}_{t}} \log q_{t}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t})^{\top} } \qquad \text{ "Second-order noise" (Can turn to Denoising)} \\ \text{First-order score} \\ \text{ (Unkown)}$$

• A straightforward way (Meng, et al, 2021): replacing the first-order score function  $\nabla_x \log q_t(x_t)$  by the approximated score network  $\hat{s}_1(x_t, t)$ .

### Second-Order Denoising Score Matching Straightforward way

• (Meng et al., 2021) uses the following objective for second-order DSM:

$$egin{aligned} heta^* = rgmin_{ heta} \mathbb{E}_{q_t} \mathbb{E}_{q_{t0}} \left[ \left\| oldsymbol{s}_2( heta) - 
abla^2 \log q_{0t} - 
abla \log q_{0t} 
abla \log q_{0t}^ op + \hat{oldsymbol{s}}_1 \hat{oldsymbol{s}}_1^ op 
ight\|_F^2 
ight] \end{aligned}$$

However, we show that this method has unbounded score matching error, even if the training objective achieves the global optimal.

**Proposition 2.** (ours, informal) Assume  $\nabla_x^2 \log q_t$  is unbounded (e.g. Gaussian distribution), and there exists  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that  $\|\hat{s}_1 - \log q_t\|_2 > \delta_1$ . Then for any  $\delta_1 > 0$  and C > 0, there always exists  $x_t$  such that

$$||s_2(x_t, t; \theta^*) - \nabla_x \log q_t(x_t)||_F > C$$

### **Error-Bounded Second-Order Denoising Score Matching**

**Matrix form** 

**Theorem 3.** (ours, informal) Assume  $\hat{s}_1$  is an estimation for  $\nabla_x \log q_t$ , then we can learn a second-order score model  $s_2(\theta)$  which minimizes

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)} \left[ \left\| oldsymbol{s}_2(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta) - 
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t) 
ight\|_F^2 
ight]$$

by optimizing

$$egin{aligned} heta^* = rgmin_{ heta} \mathbb{E}_{oldsymbol{x}_0,oldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ rac{1}{\sigma_t^4} ig\| \sigma_t^2 oldsymbol{s}_2(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) + oldsymbol{I} - oldsymbol{\ell}_1 oldsymbol{\ell}_1^ op ig\|_F^2 
ight] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\ell}_1(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{x}_0, t) \coloneqq \sigma_t \hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_1(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{x}_t = \alpha_t \boldsymbol{x}_0 + \sigma_t \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{0}, \boldsymbol{I})$$

Moreover, the score matching error can be **bounded by the training error and the first-order score matching error:** 

$$\left\| \boldsymbol{s}_2(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t) \right\|_F \leq \left\| \boldsymbol{s}_2(\boldsymbol{x}_t, \theta) - \boldsymbol{s}_2(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta^*) \right\|_F + \delta_1^2(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t)$$

### **Error-Bounded Second-Order Denoising Score Matching**

Scalar form (matching trace)

**Corollary 1.** (ours, informal) Assume  $\hat{s}_1$  is an estimation for  $\nabla_x \log q_t$ , then we can learn a second-order score model  $s_2^{trace}(\theta)$  which minimizes

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)}\left[\left|oldsymbol{s}_2^{ extit{trace}}(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta) - ext{tr}ig(
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)ig)
ight|^2
ight]$$

by optimizing

$$heta^* = rgmin_{ heta} \mathbb{E}_{oldsymbol{x}_0,oldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ rac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \Big| \sigma_t^2 oldsymbol{s}_2^{ extit{trace}}(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) \!+\! d \!-\! \|oldsymbol{\ell}_1\|_2^2 \Big|^2 
ight]$$

Moreover, the score matching error can be **bounded by the training error and the first-order score matching error:** 

$$ig|oldsymbol{s}_2^{trace}(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) - ext{tr}ig(
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)ig)ig| \ \leq \ |oldsymbol{s}_2^{trace}(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) - oldsymbol{s}_2^{trace}(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta^*)| + \delta_1^2(oldsymbol{x}_t,t)$$

### **Error-Bounded Third-Order Denoising Score Matching**

**Vector form** 

**Theorem 4.** (ours, informal) Assume  $\hat{s}_1$  is an estimation for  $\nabla_x \log q_t$  and  $\hat{s}_2$  is an estimation for  $\nabla_x^2 \log q_t$ , then we can learn a third score model  $s_3(\theta)$  which minimizes

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t)} \left[ \left\| \boldsymbol{s}_3(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \operatorname{tr} \left( \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t) \right) \right\|_2^2 \right]$$

by optimizing

$$heta^* = \operatorname*{argmin}_{ heta} \mathbb{E}_{oldsymbol{x}_0,oldsymbol{\epsilon}} \left[ rac{1}{\sigma_t^6} ig\| \sigma_t^3 oldsymbol{s}_3(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) + oldsymbol{\ell}_3 ig\|_2^2 
ight]$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\ell}_1(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{x}_0, t) \coloneqq \sigma_t \hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_1(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\ell}_2(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{x}_0, t) \coloneqq \sigma_t^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_2(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t) + \boldsymbol{I},$$

$$\boldsymbol{\ell}_3(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{x}_0, t) \coloneqq \left( \|\boldsymbol{\ell}_1\|_2^2 \boldsymbol{I} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\ell}_2) \boldsymbol{I} - 2\boldsymbol{\ell}_2 \right) \boldsymbol{\ell}_1, \quad \boldsymbol{x}_t = \alpha_t \boldsymbol{x}_0 + \sigma_t \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{0}, \boldsymbol{I}).$$

Moreover, the score matching error can be **bounded by the training error and the first-order and second-order score matching errors:** 

$$\left\| \boldsymbol{s}_3(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \operatorname{tr} \left( \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(\boldsymbol{x}_t) \right) \right\|_2 \le \left\| \boldsymbol{s}_3(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta) - \boldsymbol{s}_3(\boldsymbol{x}_t, t; \theta^*) \right\|_2 + \left( \delta_1^2 + \delta_{2, tr} + 2\delta_2 \right) \delta_1^2$$

### **Summary: Error-Bounded High-Order DSM**

Bounded by training error and lower-order score matching errors

$$\left\| oldsymbol{s}_2(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta) - 
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t) 
ight\|_F \leq \left\| oldsymbol{s}_2(oldsymbol{x}_t, heta) - oldsymbol{s}_2(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta^*) 
ight\|_F + \delta_1^2(oldsymbol{x}_t, t)$$

$$\left|oldsymbol{s}_2^{\textit{trace}}(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta) - ext{tr} \left(
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)
ight)
ight| \ \leq \ \left|oldsymbol{s}_2^{\textit{trace}}(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta) - oldsymbol{s}_2^{\textit{trace}}(oldsymbol{x}_t, t; heta^*)
ight| + \delta_1^2(oldsymbol{x}_t, t)$$

$$\left\| oldsymbol{s}_3(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) - 
abla_{oldsymbol{x}} \operatorname{tr} \left( 
abla_{oldsymbol{x}}^2 \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t) 
ight) 
ight\|_2 \ \le \left\| oldsymbol{s}_3(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta) - oldsymbol{s}_3(oldsymbol{x}_t,t; heta^*) 
ight\|_2 + \left( \delta_1^2 + \delta_{2,tr} + 2\delta_2 
ight) \delta_1^2$$

### Part III.

**Training Score Models by High-Order DSM** 

### Variance Reduction by Time-Reweighting

The "noise-prediction" trick in (Ho et al. 2020)

Our training objectives is:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM}}^{(1)}(\theta) \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \Big[ \| \sigma_{t}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \|_{2}^{2} \Big] 
\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM}}^{(2)}(\theta) \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \Big[ \| \sigma_{t}^{2}\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t) + \boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{\ell}_{1}\boldsymbol{\ell}_{1}^{\top} \|_{F}^{2} \Big], 
\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM}}^{(2,\text{tr})}(\theta) \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \Big[ | \sigma_{t}^{2}\operatorname{tr}(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t)) + d - \|\boldsymbol{\ell}_{1}\|_{2}^{2} \|^{2} \Big], 
\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM}}^{(3)}(\theta) \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \Big[ \| \sigma_{t}^{3}\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\operatorname{tr}(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t},t)) + \boldsymbol{\ell}_{3} \|_{2}^{2} \Big],$$



$$\min_{\theta} \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(1)}(\theta) + \lambda_1 \left( \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(2)}(\theta) + \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(2,tr)}(\theta) \right) + \lambda_2 \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(3)}(\theta),$$

### Scale-up to High Dimension

By Hutchinson's trace estimator (Hutchinson, 1989)

• Our training objectives for high-dimensional data are:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM,estimation}}^{(2)}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}\mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{v})}\left[\left\|\sigma_{t}^{2}\boldsymbol{s}_{jvp} + \boldsymbol{v} - (\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1}\cdot\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}\cdot\boldsymbol{v})(\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon})\right\|_{2}^{2}\right], \\
\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM,estimation}}^{(2,\text{tr})}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}\mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{v})}\left[\left|\sigma_{t}^{2}\boldsymbol{v}^{\top}\boldsymbol{s}_{jvp} + \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2} - |\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1}\cdot\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}\cdot\boldsymbol{v}|^{2}\right|^{2}\right], \\
\mathcal{J}_{\text{DSM,estimation}}^{(3)}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{t,\boldsymbol{x}_{0},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}\mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{v})}\left[\left\|\sigma_{t}^{3}\boldsymbol{v}^{\top}\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}\boldsymbol{s}_{jvp} + |\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1}\cdot\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}\cdot\boldsymbol{v}|^{2}(\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) - (\sigma_{t}^{2}\boldsymbol{v}^{\top}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{jvp} + \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2})(\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \\
-2(\sigma_{t}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{1}\cdot\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}\cdot\boldsymbol{v})(\sigma_{t}^{2}\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_{jvp} + \boldsymbol{v})\right\|_{2}^{2}\right],$$

**Proposition 3.** (ours, informal) The training objectives for high-dimensional data can upper bound the corresponding original objectives:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(2)}(\theta) = \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM,estimation}}^{(2)}(\theta), \quad \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(2,\mathrm{tr})}(\theta) \leq \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM,estimation}}^{(2,\mathrm{tr})}(\theta), \quad \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM}}^{(3)}(\theta) \leq \mathcal{J}_{\mathrm{DSM,estimation}}^{(3)}(\theta)$$

### **Example: 1-D mixture-of-Gaussians**

• Denote

$$egin{aligned} &\ell_{ ext{Fisher}}(t) \coloneqq rac{1}{2}g(t)^2 D_{ ext{F}}(q_t \parallel p_t^{ ext{ODE}}), \ &\ell_{ ext{SM}}(t) \coloneqq rac{1}{2}g(t)^2 \mathbb{E}_{q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t)} \|oldsymbol{s}_{ heta}(oldsymbol{x}_t, t) - 
abla_{oldsymbol{x}} \log q_t(oldsymbol{x}_t) \|_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

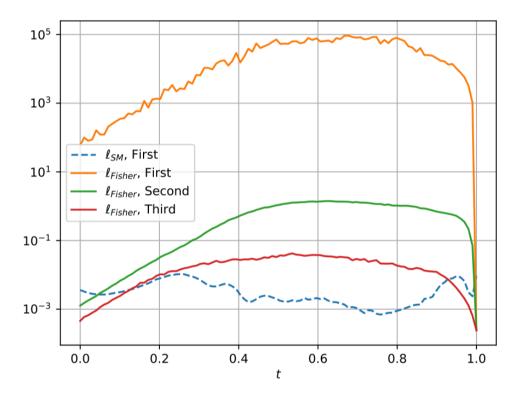


Figure 3.  $\ell_{\text{Fisher}}(t)$  and  $\ell_{\text{SM}}(t)$  of ScoreODEs (VE type) on 1-D mixture of Gaussians, trained by minimizing the first, second, third-order score matching objectives.

### Density modeling on 2-D checkerboard data

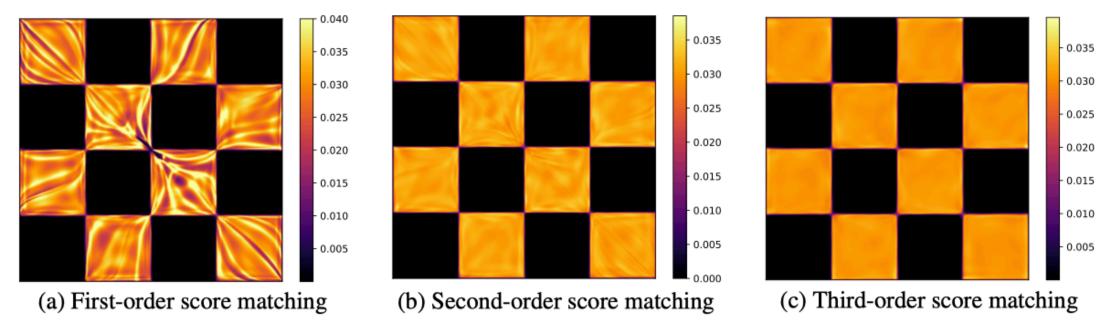


Figure 4. Model density of ScoreODEs (VE type) on 2-D checkerboard data.

### Density modeling on CIFAR-10

Table 1. Negative log-likelihood (NLL) in bits/dim (bpd) and sample quality (FID scores) on CIFAR-10 and ImageNet 32x32.

Model	CIFAR-10		ImageNet 32x32
	$NLL\downarrow$	$FID\downarrow$	$NLL\downarrow$
VE (Song et al., 2020)	3.66	2.42	4.21
VE (second) (ours) VE (third) (ours)	3.44 <b>3.38</b>	<b>2.37</b> 2.95	4.06 <b>4.04</b>
VE (deep) (Song et al., 2020) VE (deep, second) (ours) VE (deep, third) (ours)	3.45 3.35 <b>3.27</b>	2.19 2.43 2.61	4.21 4.05 <b>4.03</b>

Random samples of SGMs by PC sampler (Song, et al., 2021)







First-Order DSM

Second-Order DSM

Third-Order DSM

### **Summary and Discussion**

• We analyze the relationship between score matching and KL divergence of ScoreODEs, and give an upper bound of KL divergence by high-order score matchings.

• We propose a novel error-bounded high-order denoising score matching method.

Our proposed method can improve the likelihood of ScoreODEs.