

A-1. Preliminaries

Let p^{src} and p^{tgt} be the source distribution and target distribution, respectively on \mathbb{R}^d of dimension d . We consider the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process² on an interval $[0, T]$

$$dx_t = -x_t dt + \sqrt{2}dw_t, \quad x_0 \sim p^\diamond, \quad (6)$$

where $\diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}$ and $\{w_t\}_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a Wiener process. We denote p_t as the marginal density of the stochastic process $\{x_t\}_{t \in [0, T]}$ given by Eq. (6). It associates with the following PF-ODE [28]

$$\frac{d}{dt}x_t = x_t + \nabla \log p_t^\diamond(x_t), \quad \text{where } \diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}. \quad (7)$$

When $t = 0$, it represents the clean data space (where p^{src} and p^{tgt} are supported on), and when $t = T$, it represents the latent noisy space.

For $\diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}$, diffusion model $D_\theta^\diamond(x, t)$ is trained to approximate $\nabla \log p_t^\diamond(x)$ and leads to the following *empirical PF-ODE*

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{x}_t = \hat{x}_t + D_\theta^\diamond(\hat{x}_t, t). \quad (8)$$

Let p and q be two densities defined on \mathbb{R}^d . We define the *total variation distance* between p and q as

$$\text{TV}(p, q) := \frac{1}{2} \int |p(x) - q(x)| dx.$$

Starting from $x^{\text{src}} \sim p^{\text{src}}$, the following ODEs solving defines a *cycle manner procedure*

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}^{\text{latent}} &= \text{ODESolve}(x^{\text{src}}; D_\theta^{\text{src}}, 0, T), \\ \hat{x}^{\text{tgt}} &= \text{ODESolve}(\hat{x}^{\text{latent}}; D_\theta^{\text{tgt}}, T, 0), \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}^{\text{latent}} &= \text{ODESolve}(\hat{x}^{\text{tgt}}; D_\theta^{\text{tgt}}, 0, T), \\ \hat{x}^{\text{src}} &= \text{ODESolve}(\hat{x}^{\text{latent}}; D_\theta^{\text{src}}, T, 0), \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

DDIB proves the *cycle consistency property* that $\hat{x}^{\text{src}} = x^{\text{src}}$, but assumes perfect diffusion model training and no ODE discretization errors, which are unrealistic. In Theorem 1¹, we establish distributional cycle consistency by accounting for diffusion model training errors and ODEsolve discretization errors.

A-2. Assumptions

We list up the assumptions which are mostly similar to those in [36].

Assumption A (Compactly supported densities). *Both p^{src} and p^{tgt} are compactly supported on a compact set in \mathbb{R}^d .*

Assumption B (Training accuracy of diffusion model). *Let $\epsilon_{DM} > 0$. For $\diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}$,*

$$\int_0^T \mathbb{E}_{x_t \sim p_t(x)} \left[\|D_\theta^\diamond(x_t, t) - \nabla \log p_t^\diamond(x_t)\|_2^2 \right] dt \leq \epsilon_{DM}^2$$

Assumption C (Smoothness of diffusion model). *For $\diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}$, assume that $D_\theta^\diamond(\cdot, t)$ is $\mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ for all $t \in [0, T]$. That is, it is twice continuously differentiable. Additionally, we assume that there is a constant $L_t > 0$ so that*

$$\|D_\theta^\diamond(\cdot, t)\|_{\mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq L_t.$$

We denote $L := \int_0^T L_t dt$ and assume that $L < \infty$.

A-3. Full Statement of Theorem 1 and Its Proof

To ensure precision, we slightly modify the notations used in the main manuscript. We present the theorem with time discretization, corresponding one-to-one with variance discretization [29]. Let $t_{N-1} = T > \dots > t_{i+1} > t_i > \dots > t_0 = 0$ be the discretization timestep on $[0, T]$, and define $h := \max_{i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}} |t_{i+1} - t_i|$.

Starting from $x^{(s)} \sim p^{\text{src}}$, let p^{latent} be the oracle density obtained by the forward-in-time PF-ODE (Eq. (7) with $\diamond = \text{src}$), and \hat{p}^{latent} be the pushforward density obtained by solving the ODE (Eq. (8) with $\diamond = \text{src}$) numerically:

$$\hat{x}^{(l)} = \text{ODESolve}(x^{(s)}; D_\theta^{\text{src}}, 0, T), \quad x^{(s)} \sim p^{\text{src}}.$$

Now starting from the noisy latent space, let \hat{p}^{tgt} be the density obtained by solving the ODE (Eq. (8) with $\diamond = \text{tgt}$), starting from $\hat{x}^{(l)} \sim \hat{p}^{\text{latent}}$:

$$\hat{x}^{(t)} = \text{ODESolve}(\hat{x}^{(l)}; D_\theta^{\text{tgt}}, T, 0), \quad \hat{x}^{(l)} \sim \hat{p}^{\text{latent}}.$$

We now present the full statement of Theorem 1 along with its proof.

²The statement and argument may be extended to a more general diffusion process. However, we leave it as a future work.

Theorem 1' (Distributional Cycle Consistency). Consider the ODE solvers are κ^{th} -order RK method. Under Assumptions A, B, and C, the total variation distance TV between \hat{p}^{tgt} and p^{tgt} is bounded by:

$$\text{TV}(\hat{p}^{\text{tgt}}, p^{\text{tgt}}) \lesssim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{DM}}) + \mathcal{O}(h^\kappa).$$

Here, \lesssim and $\mathcal{O}(\cdot)$ conceals a multiplication constant depending only on dimensionality d , p^\diamond with $\diamond \in \{\text{src}, \text{tgt}\}$, and the pre-defined Runge–Kutta matrix [37].

Proof. Applying [36]’s Theorem 3.10 and its Remark C.2 backward in time (from T to 0) to Eqs. (8) and (7) with $\diamond = \text{tgt}$, we obtain

$$\text{TV}(\hat{p}^{\text{tgt}}, p^{\text{tgt}}) \lesssim \text{TV}(\hat{p}^{\text{latent}}, p^{\text{latent}}) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{DM}}) + \mathcal{O}(h^\kappa).$$

Now applying the same theorem but forward in time (from 0 to T) to Eqs. (8) and (7) with $\diamond = \text{src}$, we obtain

$$\text{TV}(\hat{p}^{\text{latent}}, p^{\text{latent}}) \lesssim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{DM}}) + \mathcal{O}(h^\kappa),$$

as we start from the same initial distribution p^{src} . Combining these two inequalities, we derive the desired bound:

$$\text{TV}(\hat{p}^{\text{tgt}}, p^{\text{tgt}}) \lesssim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{DM}}) + \mathcal{O}(h^\kappa).$$

□

We note that a sample-wise bound (instead of a distributional bound) can also be derived by analyzing the RK-solver in detail. Additionally, the bounds in Theorem 1' can be further refined using advanced techniques, but we do not pursue this overly complex mathematical analysis in this work.