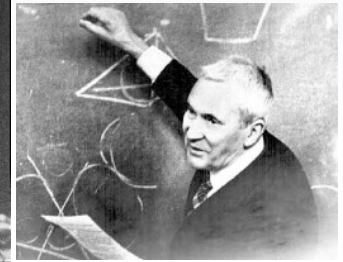
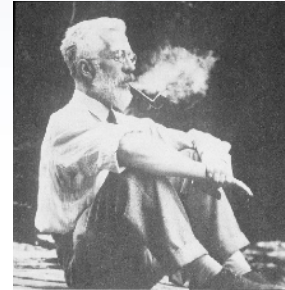
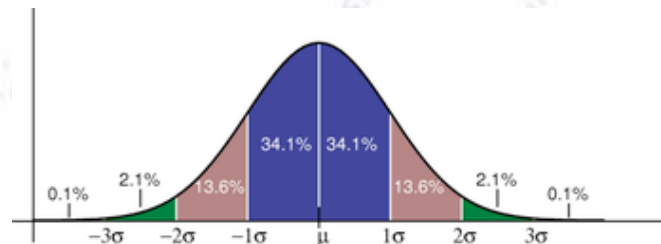


# Applied ML

## Diffusion Models



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*"Statistics is merely a quantisation of common sense - Machine Learning is a sharpening of it!"*

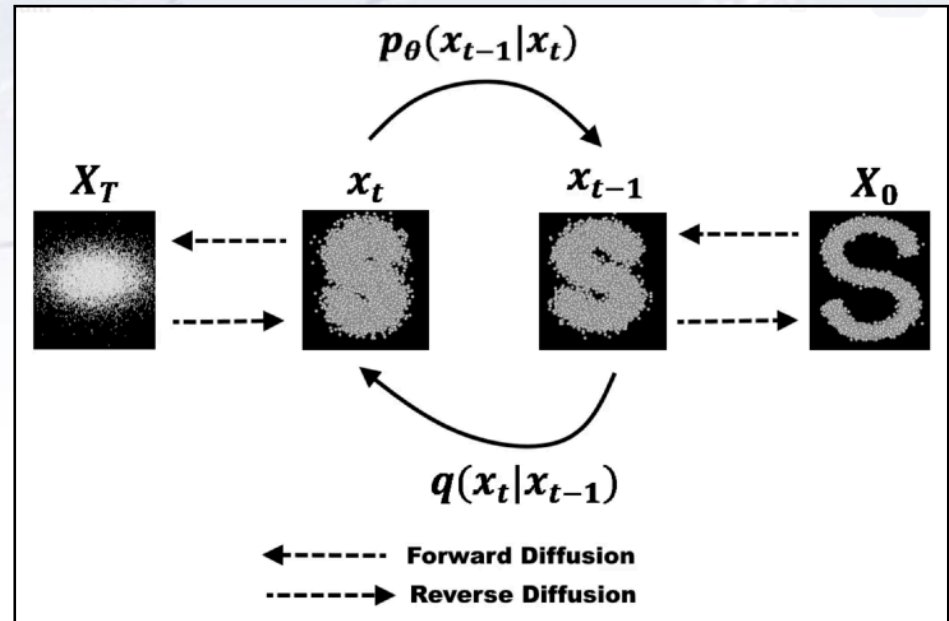
# Diffusion

Diffusion models is a class of models for computer vision that a capable of

- Image de-noising
- Image in-painting
- Image super-resolution
- Image generation

Diffusion models consist of three parts:

1. Forward diffusion
2. Reverse diffusion
3. Sampling procedure

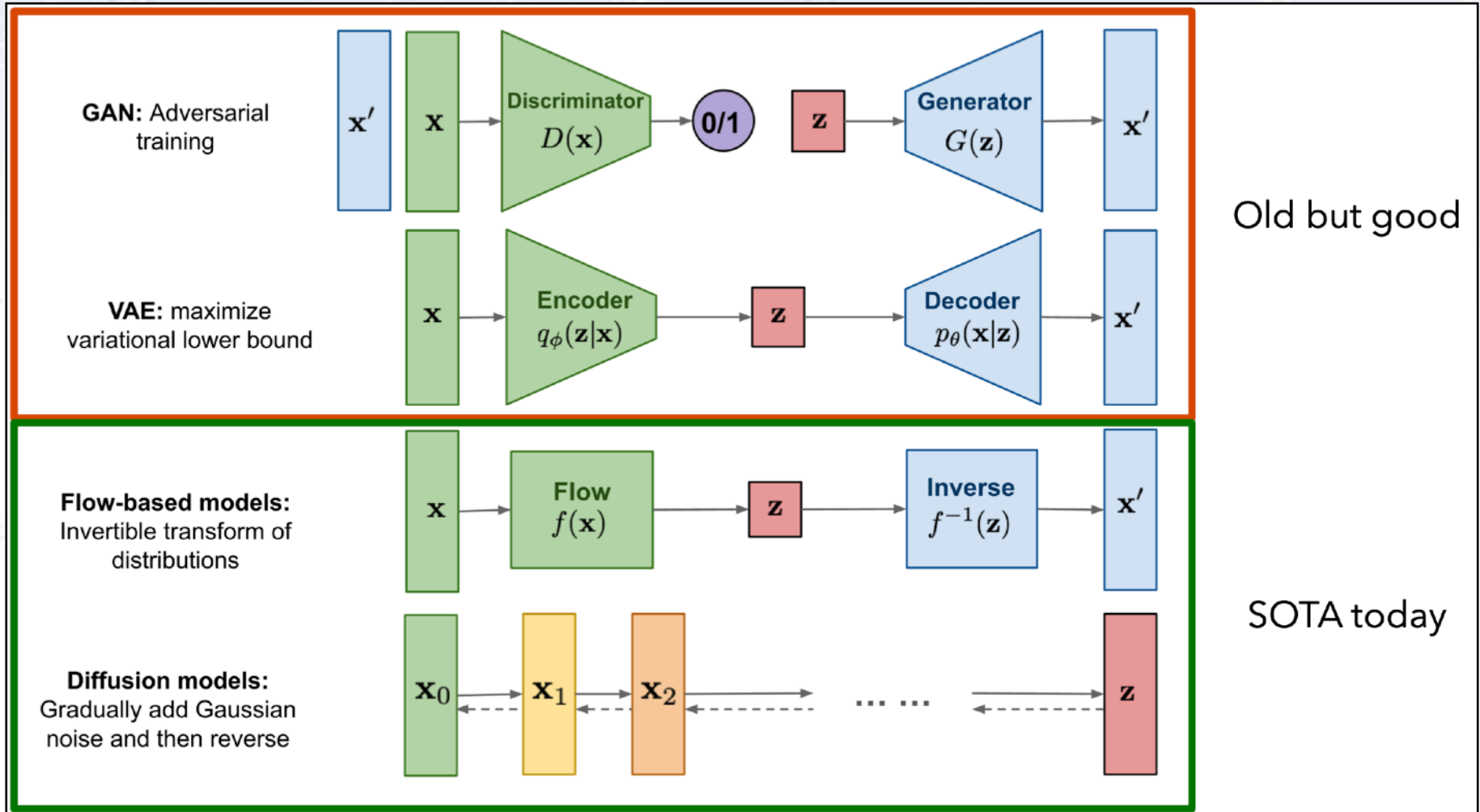


They are build on the idea, that if you apply a known process (diffusion) on e.g. images, then by finding the reverse process, one can generate new images.

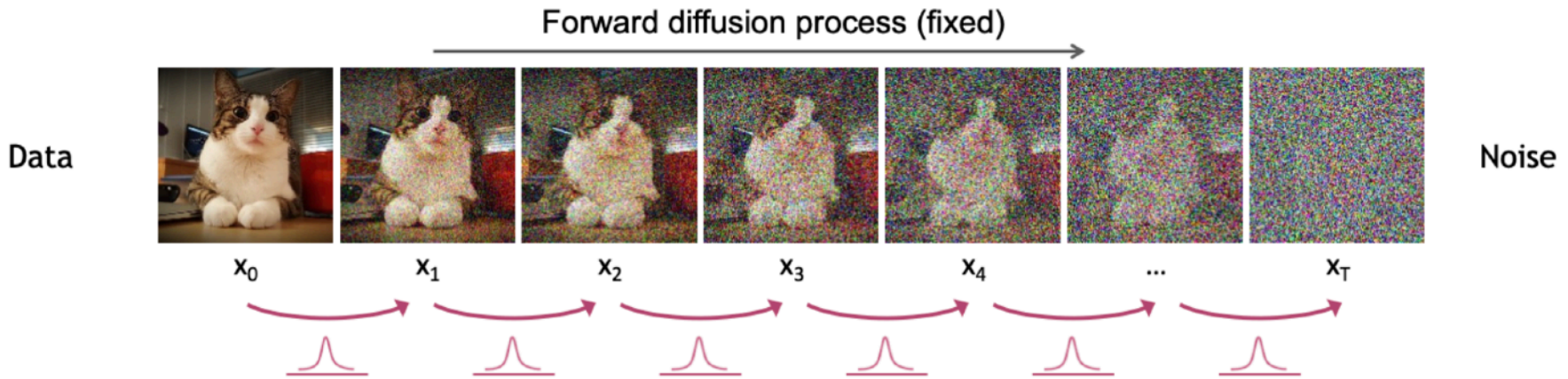
It is thus a **generative** model type. OpenAI's Dall-E 2 model - capable of generating images from text - is based on diffusion.

# Diffusion

Diffusion has a different ML architecture from the other “classic” methods of generative models. In diffusion one uses a repeated alteration (not NN layers).



# Forward Process

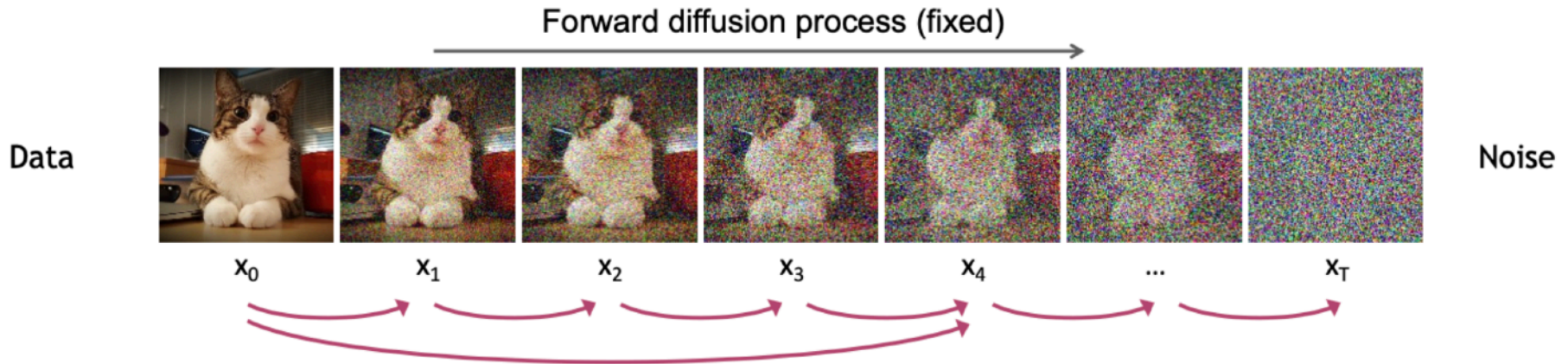


$$q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t\mathbf{I}) \quad \rightarrow \quad q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}|\mathbf{x}_0) = \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) \quad (\text{joint})$$

- No learning
  - Sample random numbers from a gaussian
  - Add them with some scaling to all of the pixels
  - Repeat T times
- End product — pure noise  $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$

# Forward Process

- Noising is a Markov process and noise is Gaussian
- Can jump to any stage directly



Define  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{s=1}^t (1 - \beta_s)$     $\rightarrow$     $q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t) \mathbf{I})$    (Diffusion Kernel)

For sampling:  $\mathbf{x}_t = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{(1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)} \epsilon$    where  $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$

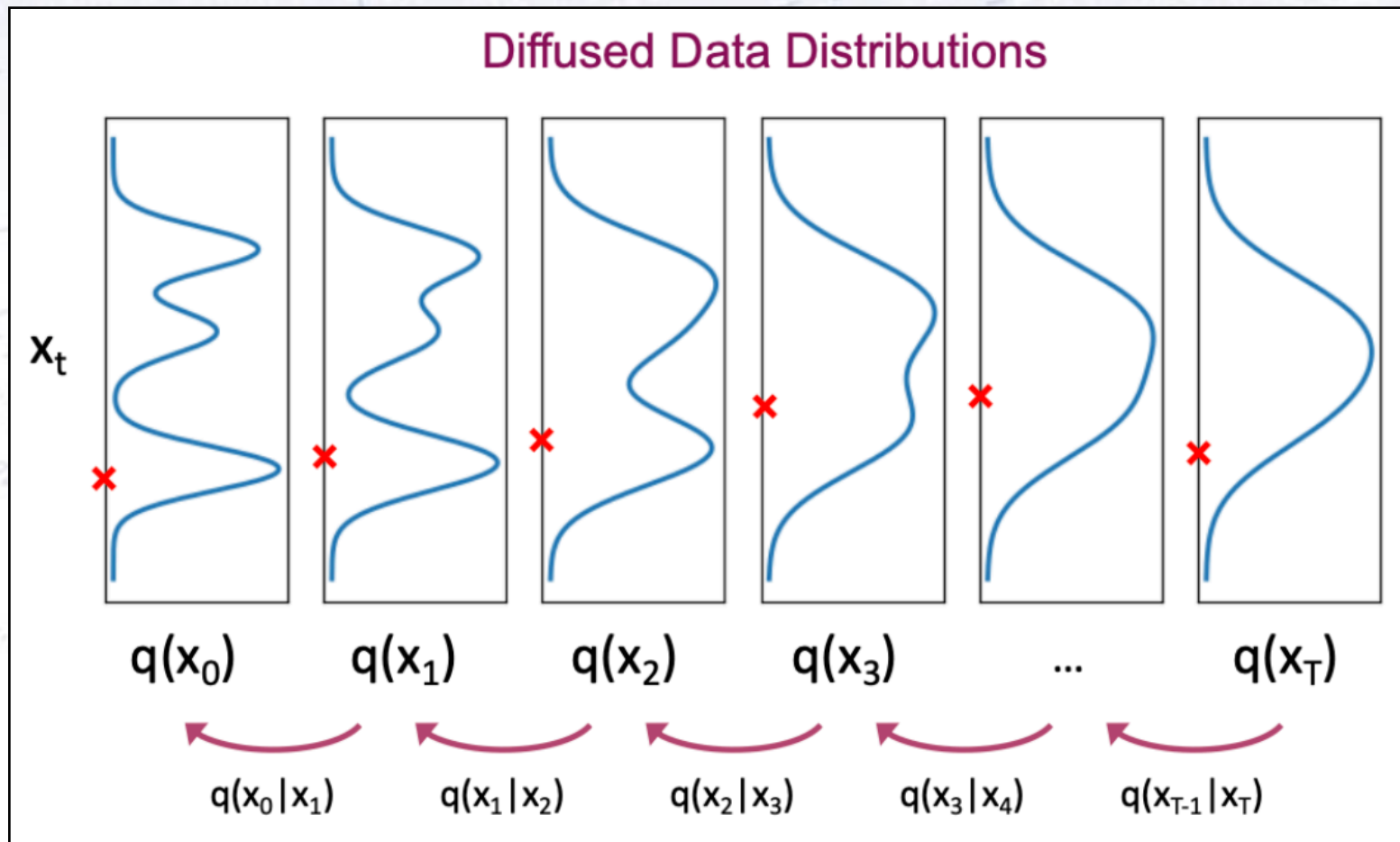
$\beta_t$  values schedule (i.e., the noise schedule) is designed such that  $\bar{\alpha}_T \rightarrow 0$  and  $q(\mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{x}_0) \approx \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_T; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$

# Reverse (de-noising) process

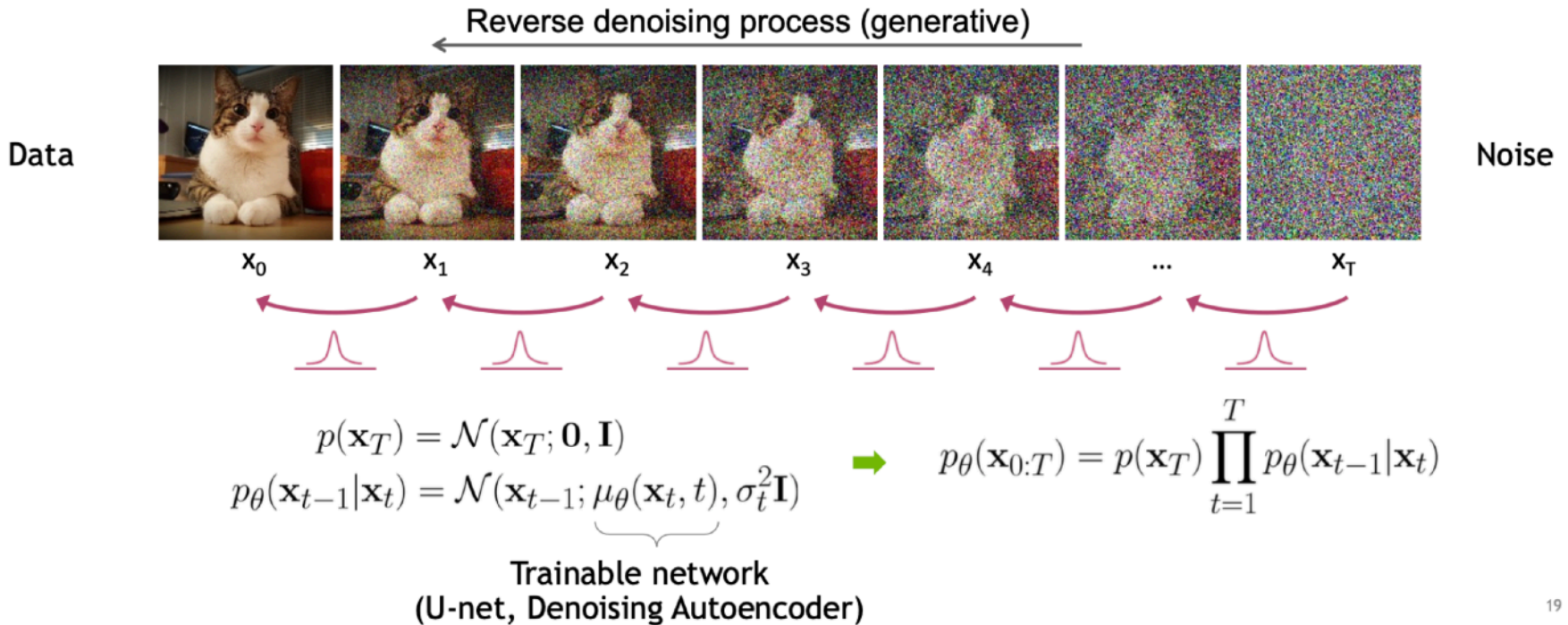
We want to obtain  $q(x_{t-1} | x_t)$ .

If  $\beta_t$  is small,  $q(x_{t-1} | x_t)$  will be Gaussian.

This means that we can approximate  $q(x_{t-1} | x_t)$  with a neural network.



# Reverse (de-noising) process



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- In practice, people predict amount of the noise added on the previous step directly
- $\mathcal{L} = \text{MSE}(\epsilon_{t-1} - \epsilon_{\theta}(x_t, t))$ , where  $\epsilon_t$  is added noise

# Diffusion Summary

To some (simple) degree, the diffusion model setup can be summarised by the below two algorithms.

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## Algorithm 1 Training

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- 1: **repeat**
  - 2:  $\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x}_0)$
  - 3:  $t \sim \text{Uniform}(\{1, \dots, T\})$
  - 4:  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
  - 5: Take gradient descent step on  
$$\nabla_{\theta} \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}\mathbf{x}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t)\|^2$$
  - 6: **until** converged
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## Algorithm 2 Sampling

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- 1:  $\mathbf{x}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$
  - 2: **for**  $t = T, \dots, 1$  **do**
  - 3:  $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$  if  $t > 1$ , else  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$
  - 4:  $\mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}} \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1 - \alpha_t}{\sqrt{1 - \bar{\alpha}_t}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$
  - 5: **end for**
  - 6: **return**  $\mathbf{x}_0$
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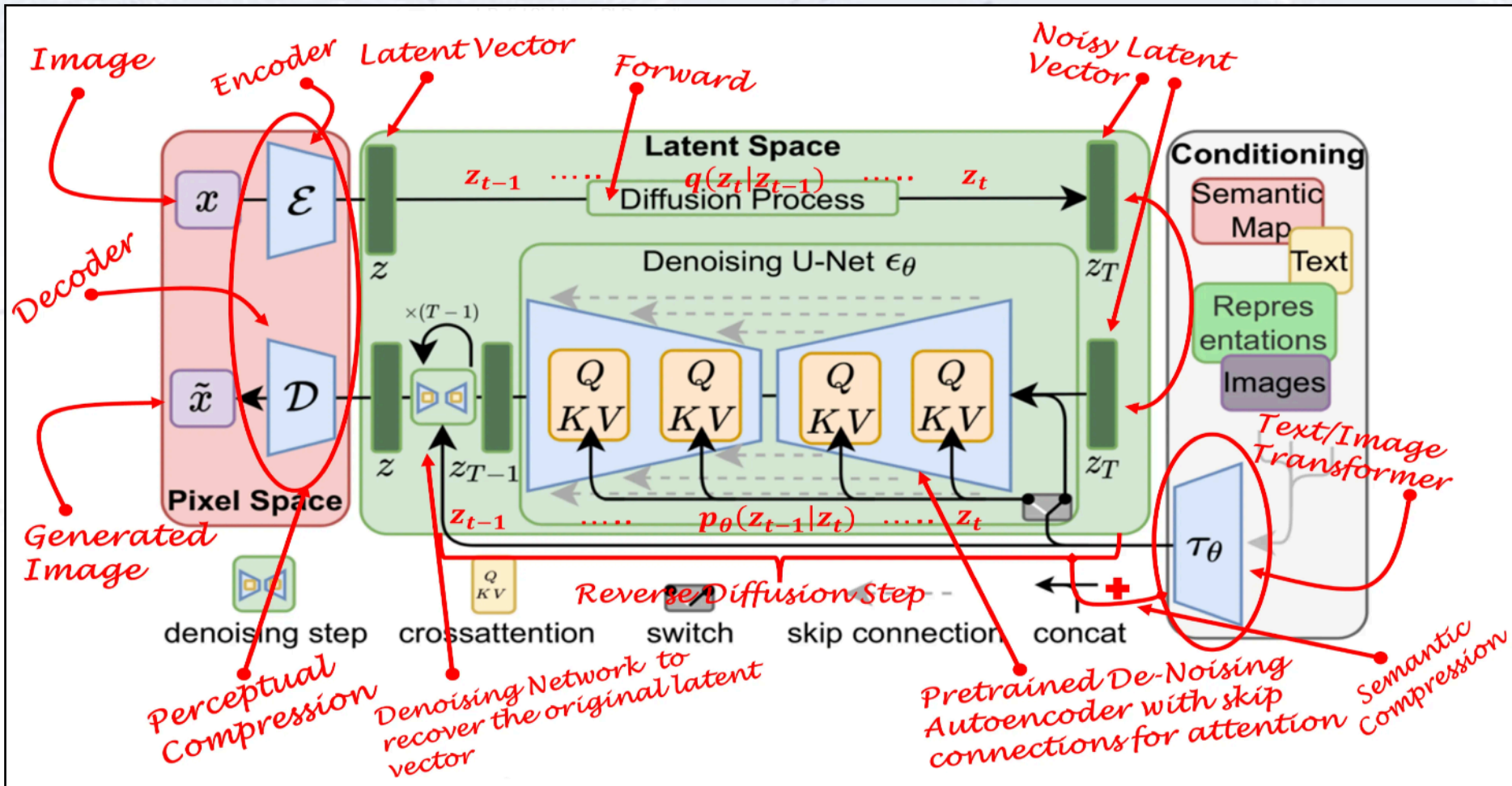
The training part is to train the algorithm to estimate the amount of noise added at each step.

The sampling part is to produce new images from sampling the noisy space and then using the trained part.



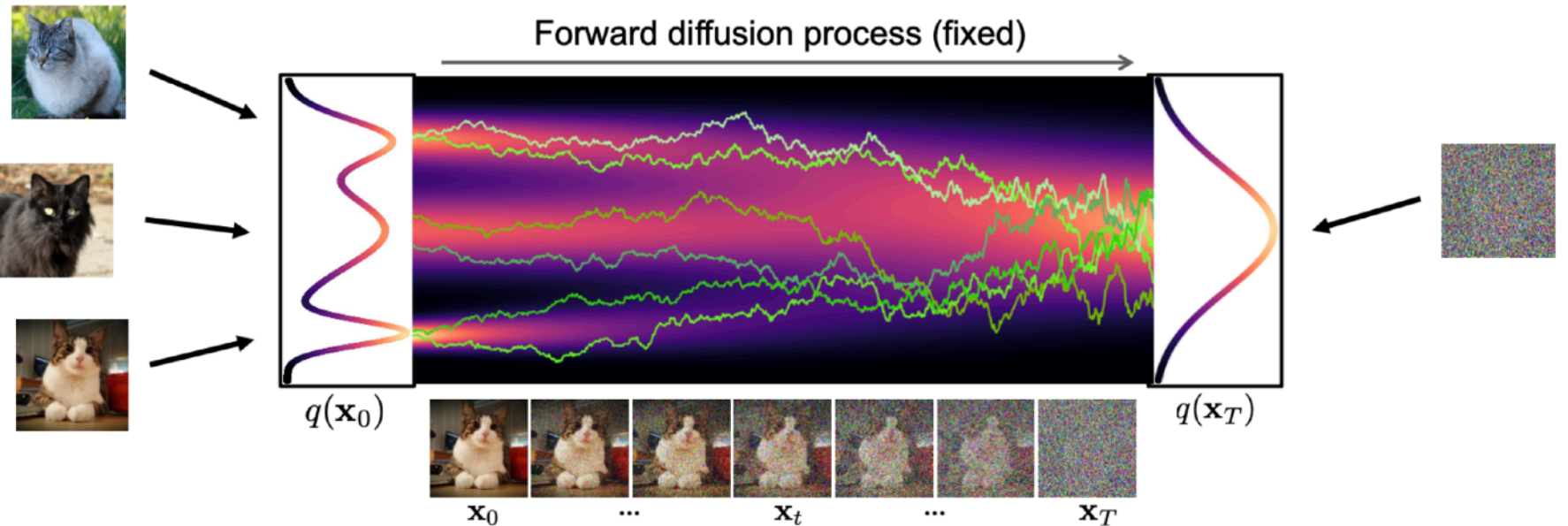
# Diffusion "Overview"

Here is an attempt at labelling the whole process and all the parts...



# Denoising Diffusion Implicit Model

This specific type of model can be considered a Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE).

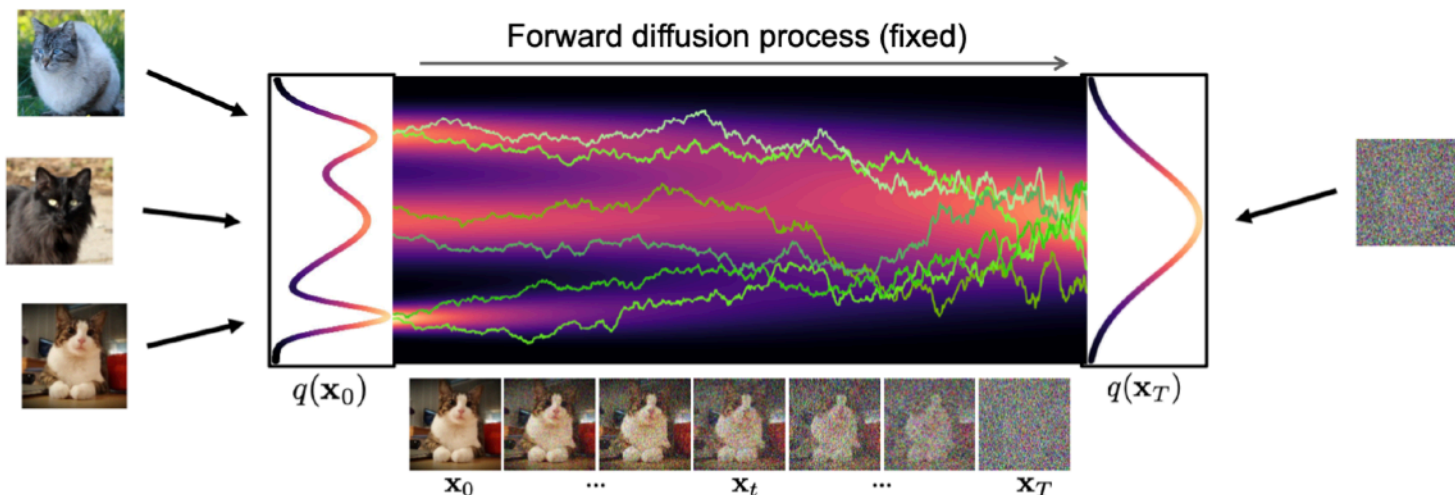


**Forward diffusion SDE:**

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}_t dt}_{\text{drift term (pulls towards mode)}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\beta(t)} d\omega_t}_{\text{diffusion term (injects noise)}}$$

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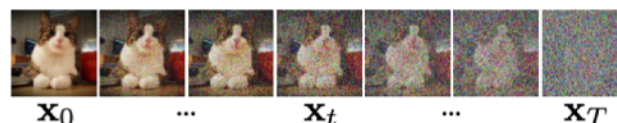
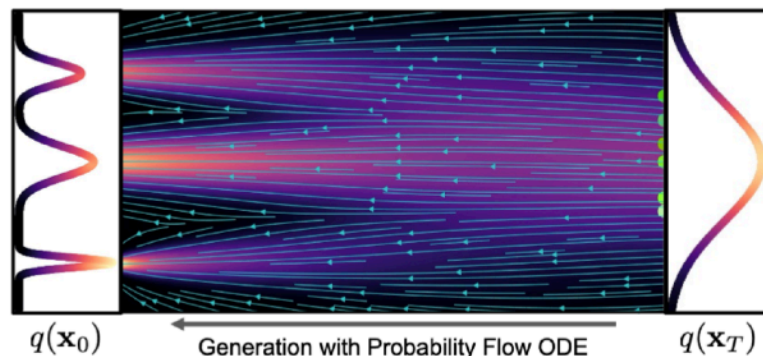
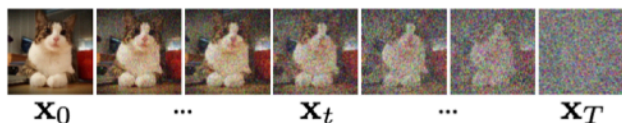
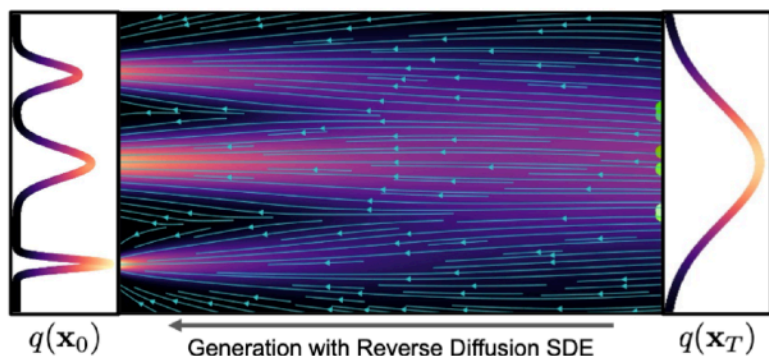
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**Reverse diffusion SDE:**

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = \underbrace{\left[ -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}_t - \beta(t)\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q_t(\mathbf{x}_t) \right]}_{\text{"Score Function"}} dt + \underbrace{\sqrt{\beta(t)} d\bar{\omega}_t}_{\text{diffusion term}}$$

# Denoising Diffusion Implicit Model

Putting the two parts together as ODE/SDE, one makes it possible to use advanced (existing) algorithms for solving these.



- **Generative Reverse Diffusion SDE (stochastic):**

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t) [\mathbf{x}_t + 2\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)] dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)} d\bar{\omega}_t$$

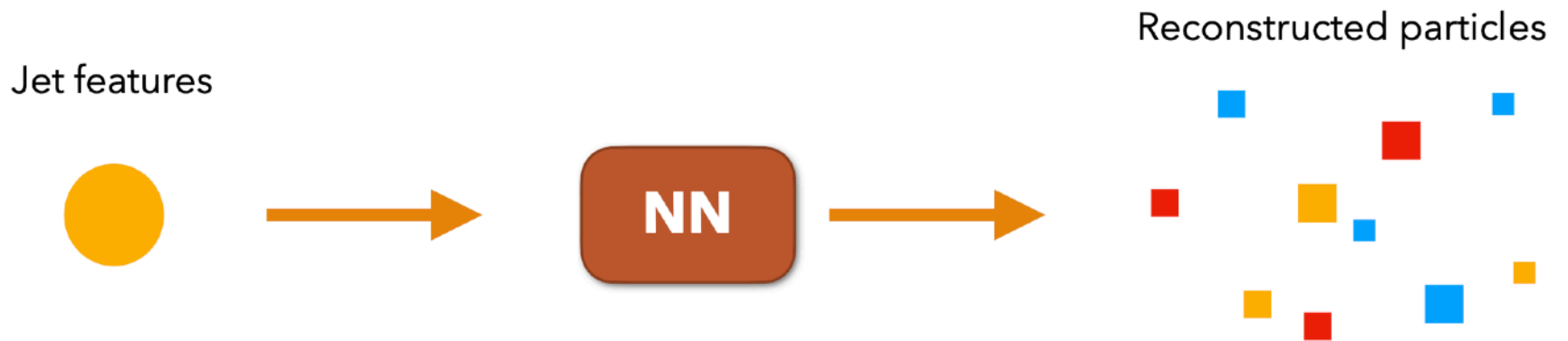
- **Generative Probability Flow ODE (deterministic):**

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t) [\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}_t, t)] dt$$

- Accelerate generation
- Enables use of advanced ODE/SDE solvers

# Example uses of DDIM

Apart from images, it can be used in many other places for generation...



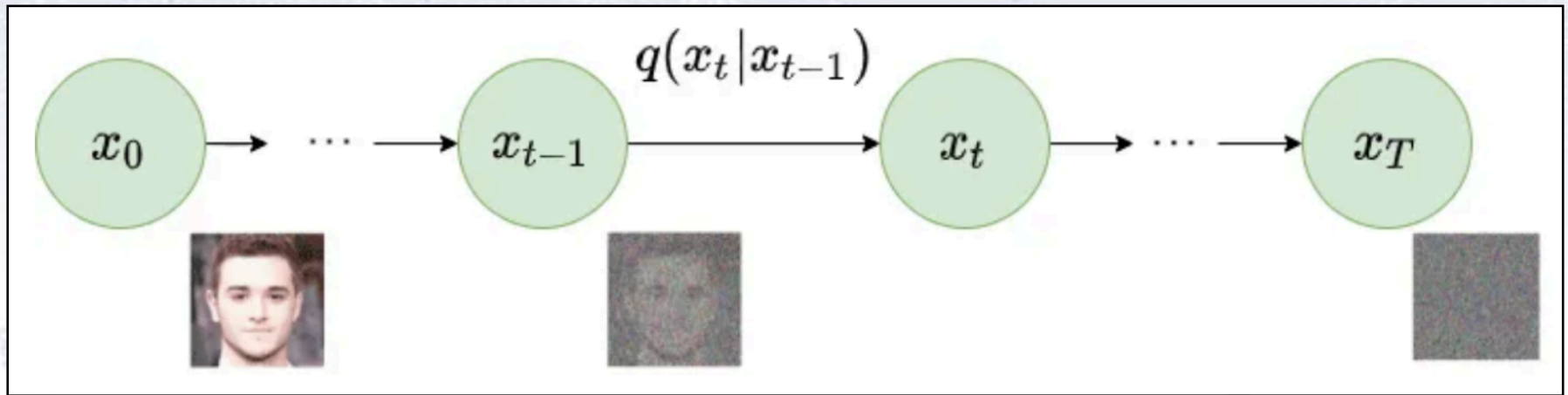
- [JetNet dataset](#) — gluon jets, up to 30 constituents
- Number of constituents known in advance
- DDIM formulation — solve SDE/ODE to generate data

A faded nautical chart background. It features magnetic isogonic lines (lines of equal magnetic variation) and a magnetic variation of 10° 15' W. The chart also shows depth soundings and some geographical labels like 'THE BITTER END LIGHTHOUSE'.

# Bonus Slides

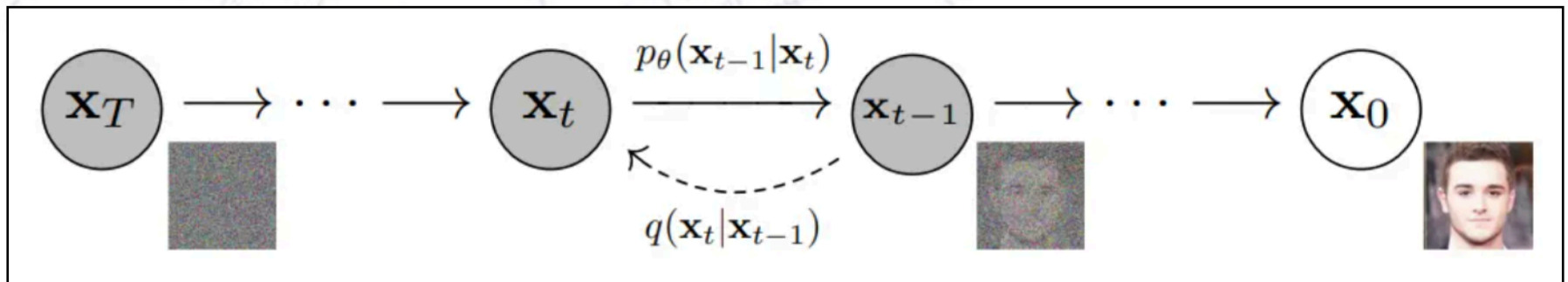
# Diffusion

Forward (noising) diffusion process (simple!):



$$q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \beta_t \mathbf{I}) \quad q(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \mathbf{x}_0) = \prod_{t=1}^T q(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

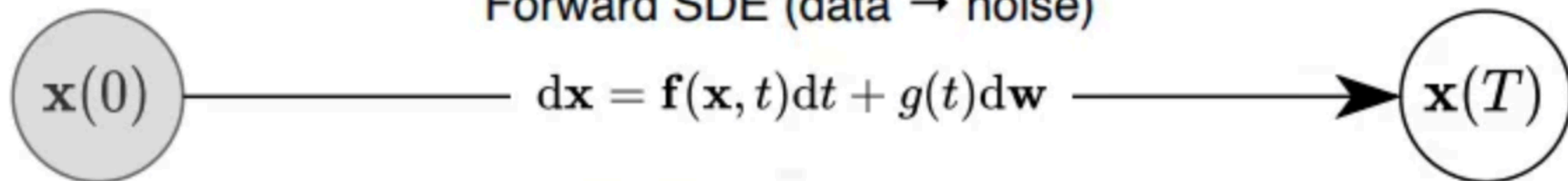
Reverse (de-noising) diffusion process (not simple!):



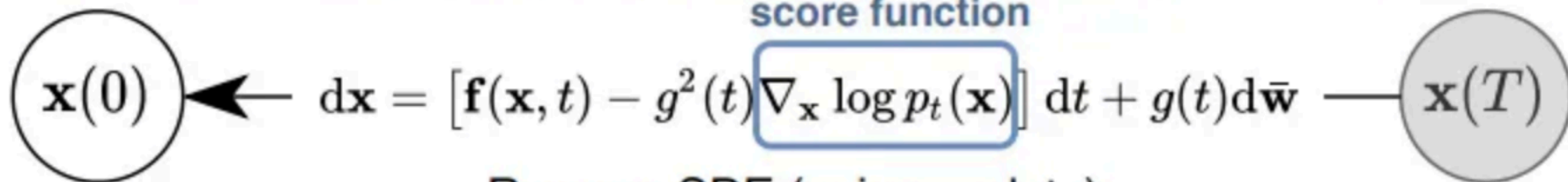
# Stochastic Differential Equation

The process can be considered a Stochastic Differential Equation, which in small steps transforms the image to noise.

Forward SDE (data  $\rightarrow$  noise)



score function

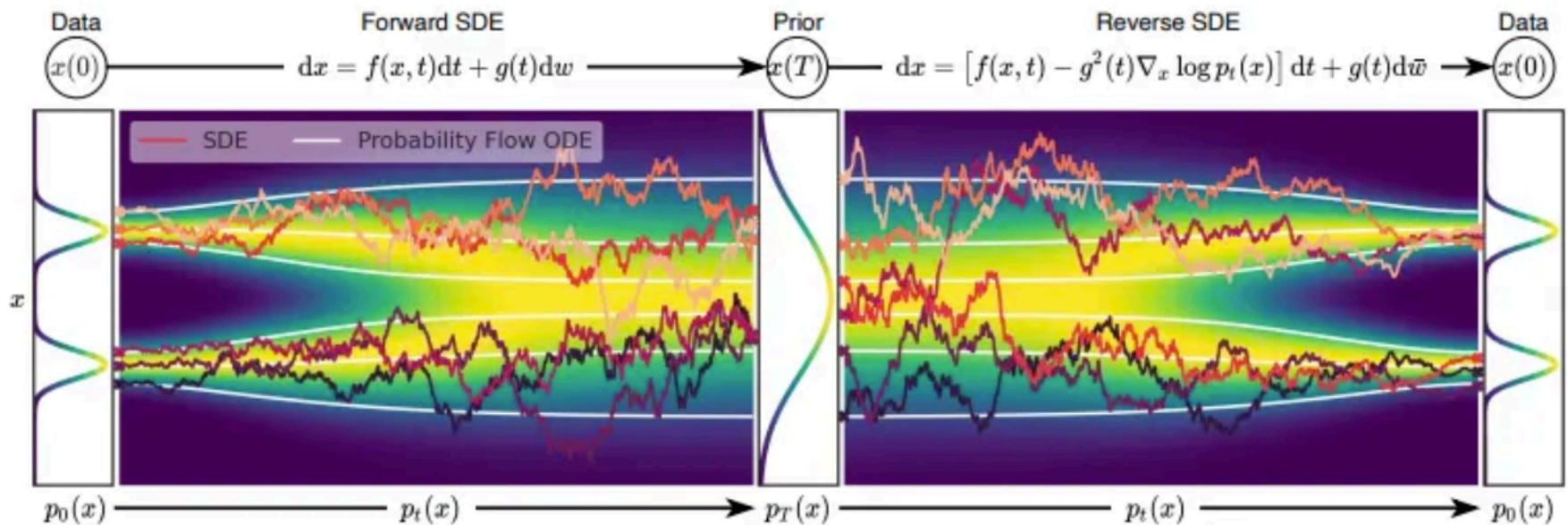


Reverse SDE (noise  $\rightarrow$  data)



# Score-based Generative Models

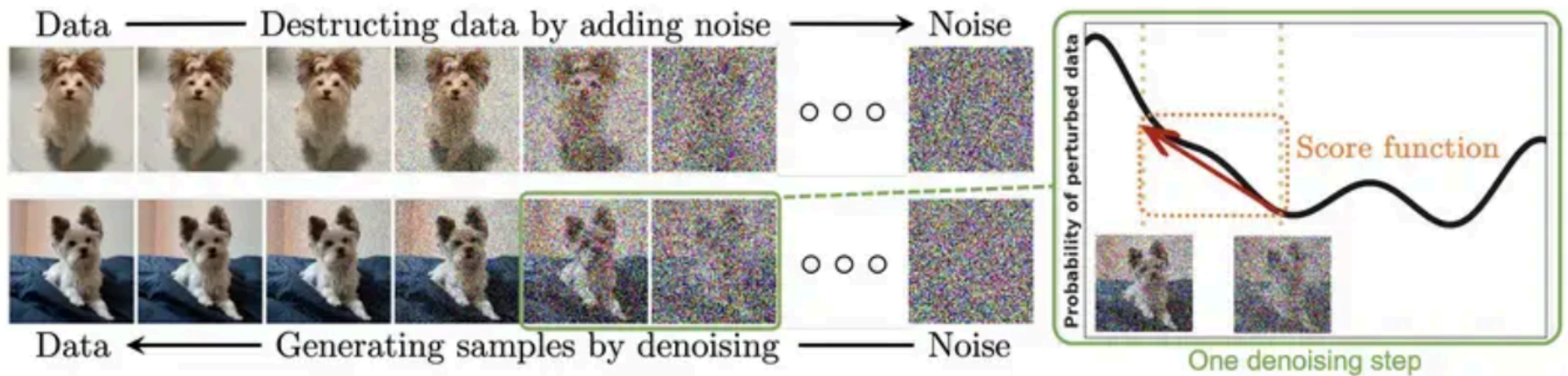
In the reverse step, the model tries to reverse the process of noise addition. SGMs teaches the model to start from noisy data and progressively remove noise to reveal a more clear and detailed image.



Thus, the SDE maps data to a noise distribution (the prior), and reverse this SDE for generative modelling.

# Denoising diffusion probabilistic models

DDPMs are a specific type of Diffusion Model, that focuses on removing noise from data in a probabilistic way.



During training, they learn how noise is added to data over time and how to reverse this process to recover the original data. This involves using probabilities to make educated guesses about what the data looked like before noise was added.

This approach is essential for the model's capability to accurately reconstruct data, ensuring the outputs aren't just noise-free but also closely resemble the original data.

# Denoising Diffusion Implicit Model

The scoring is slightly complicated...

**Reverse diffusion SDE:** 
$$d\mathbf{x}_t = \left[ -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}_t - \beta(t)\underbrace{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q_t(\mathbf{x}_t)}_{\text{"Score Function"}} \right] dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)} d\bar{\omega}_t$$

We can learn  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q_t(\mathbf{x}_t)$  with NN, however direct regression is not possible. Instead, we can diffuse individual data points  $x_0$ . Diffused  $q_t(x_t | x_0)$  is tractable.

**Denoising score matching:**

$$\min_{\theta} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{t \sim \mathcal{U}(0, T)}}_{\text{diffusion time } t} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q_0(\mathbf{x}_0)}}_{\text{data sample } \mathbf{x}_0} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_t \sim q_t(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0)}}_{\text{diffused data sample } \mathbf{x}_t} \underbrace{\left\| \mathbf{s}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_t} \log q_t(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) \right\|_2^2}_{\text{score of diffused data sample}}$$



"Variance Preserving" SDE:

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = -\frac{1}{2}\beta(t)\mathbf{x}_t dt + \sqrt{\beta(t)} d\omega_t$$

$$q_t(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \gamma_t \mathbf{x}_0, \sigma_t^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{t \sim \mathcal{U}(0, T)} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0 \sim q_0(\mathbf{x}_0)} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})} \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left\| \epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_t, t) \right\|_2^2$$

**Same loss as before!**