Galaxies on Graph Neural Networks: towards robust synthetic galaxy catalogs with deep generative models

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Introduction: Weak Lensing



- We measure the coherent shape distortions of m(b)illions of galaxies
- We can infer the matter content and the energy content of the Universe
- One important nuance: galaxies are not randomly oriented on the sky

Introduction: Intrinsic Alignment



- Intrinsic Alignment (IA) is the tendency of galaxies to align with their neighboring galaxies and the underlying large scale structure.
- This effect can masquerade as a weak gravitational lensing signal
- Contributes to the systematic errors of weak lensing surveys.
- Need to develop good IA models and to test our ability to model/remove the IA signals using mock catalogs
- Need to include realistically complex IA in the catalogs

Intrinsic Alignment and morphology



- We see a clear decreasing IA signal with increasing disky-ness
- Bulges do show statistically consistent signal with the Ellipticals
- Morphologically classified/decomposed samples reveal a much more complex picture compared to the traditional color split samples

Jagvaral et al, 2022 MNRAS

Generating Galaxy Catalogs with Deep Learning



- Volume: Small
- Resolution: High
- Cost: High

- Volume: Large
- Resolution: Low
- Cost: Low

Galaxy orientations in the simulations



Sridhar et al, 2015

- Galaxy orientations as a function of their environment
- p(orientation | environment)
- Tools that are needed are deep generative models

Outline

- 1. What are Weak lensing and Intrinsic Alignment?
- 2. What are Generative models?
- 3. Our models: GANs 'n' Graphs
- 4. Our models: Diffusion Generative on SO(3) manifold

Introduction: Deep Generative models



- Can be sampled from
- Can be used as density estimators
- More generic than discriminative models
- Sensitive to outliers, can be used for anomaly detection

Image Source: https://betterprogramming.pub/

Motivation: Why Generative Models?



CelebA dataset, Stable Diffusion

Introduction: Deep Generative Models



Image credit: Lilian Weng

- Current state of the art generative models
- Has shown great sample quality in images, audio etc...



Part 1 GANs 'n' Graphs

What type of Neural Network do we need?



- CNNs are appropriate for grid-like data
- RNN are appropriate for time-series data
- Graphs are appropriate for sparsely distributed objects
- Also, Graphs are appropriate for capturing correlations among objects

The Cosmic Web as a Set of Graphs



IllustrisTNG100 modeled as a set of Graphs

The Graph Convolution



Results for the 2D position-shape correlations



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Results for the 2D position-shape correlations



Projected two-point correlation functions wg+ of galaxy positions and the projected 2D ellipticities of all galaxies.

(higher values mean galaxies point towards neighboring ones more strongly on average)

- Good quantitative agreement between the model and the simulation
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Full paper published in *MNRAS* as Jagvaral et al, 2022



Part 2 Diffusion

Image credit: NVIDIA

Challenges with Generative Models?

- High expressivity
- Mode coverage
- Tractable/computable
- Slow sampling

Diffusion models:

- 1. Score-matching
- 2. Denoising diffusion





Yang Song, 2022

Quick Intermission Summary



Proposal: Score function

Given a PDF **p(X)**,

the (Stein) score function is defined as:

 $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$



- Accurate probability evaluations
- Controllable generation



Proposal: Score function

∇_xlog p(x) approximate

with a neural network ${f r}_{m heta}$

- One problem original score field has bad coverage
- Use noising process to perturb the data



Proposal: Score function

∇_x**log p(x)** approximate

with a neural network **r_e**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DAE}} = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{x}' \sim p_{\sigma^2}} \left[\|\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{r}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}', \sigma)\|_2^2 \right].$$



Remy et al, 2021

Score-based modeling in practice

So far the state-of-the-art for:

- 1. Images
- 2. Video
- 3. Audio
- 4. Molecules
- 5. Astrophysics?



Denoising Molecule Diffusion



Hooge boom et al, 2021

Generating Galaxy Catalogs with Deep Learning

Credit: 3Blue1Brown, Vogelsberger et al 2020

Gravity-only simulation



Traditionally: Semi-analytic models were used to "paint" galaxies

- Mock catalogs are used to design/test analysis pipelines.
- Challenges:
 - a. Galaxies are very expensive to simulate
 - b. Large volumes with Galaxies are unreachable (Resolution vs Volume)
- We propose a Deep Generative model for making synthetic Galaxy Catalogs with realistic galaxies

Galaxy properties



non-Euclidean manifold

Euclidean manifold



SO(3) - Special orthogonal group of 3D

• Constrained to the 4D hypersphere (Quaternion representation of rotations)

Diffusion on SO(3): Training

- Diffusion Process on SO(3)
- Noise kernel
- Score of the noise kernel

• Denoising score matching



$$\mathcal{IG}_{SO(3)}(\mathbf{x};\boldsymbol{\mu},\epsilon) = f_{\epsilon}(\arccos\left[2^{-1}(\operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\mu}^{T}\mathbf{x})-1)\right])$$

$$\nabla_{X_i} \log p_{\epsilon}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} | \mathbf{x}) = \left. \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}s} \log p_{\epsilon}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \exp(sX_i) | \mathbf{x}) \right|_{s=0}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{DSM} = \mathbb{E}_{p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0,\sigma_{\epsilon}^{2})} \mathbb{E}_{p_{|\epsilon|}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|\mathbf{x})} \\ \left[|\epsilon| \parallel s_{\theta}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}},\epsilon) - \nabla_{X} \log p_{|\epsilon|}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|\mathbf{x}) \parallel_{2}^{2} \right]$$

Diffusion on SO(3)



Illustration of reversible diffusion of a mixture of two Gaussian blobs on SO(3)



Diffusion on SO(3): Results



Our model achieves the best results: quantitatively and visually

Figure 3: Density plot comparing samples from learned synthetic densities on SO(3). For visualization this density plot shows the distribution of canonical axes of sampled rotations projected on the sphere; the tilt around that axis is discarded.

(submitted in *ICML* as **Jagvaral et al, 2023**)

Diffusion on SO(3): Results



Illustration of pose estimation task in computer vision/robotics

Full paper at OpenReview.net (submitted in AAAI as Jagvaral et al, 2023)

Diffusion on SO(3): Results



Generative Diffusion on SO(3): Use cases

A Deep Generative Model For Galaxy Orientations:

- Need to implement Graphs for the non-linear regime
- Study distribution shifts

Computer Vision and Robotics

• Pose and orientation estimation in the real world

Simulations based Inference (Likelihood free) that has SO(3) symmetry

• Gravitational Wave Inference (locality)

Diffusion on SO(3): SBI Grav. Waves

Simulations based Inference (Likelihood free) that has SO(3) symmetry

- SBI, an emerging method to do inference
- Likelihood free
- Leverages advances in ML, brings in the shortcomings of ML



Glockler et al, 2022

SBI Grav. Waves

Simulations based Inference (Likelihood free) future of stats?

- DINGO based on Normalizing flows
- Diffusion models better in handling manifold valued data than Normalizing flows

Green & Gair, 2020



Our Contributions

A Deep Generative Model For Galaxy Orientations:

- We propose a GAN and Graph based approach, good quantitative and qualitative agreement with the baseline simulation
- We extend current SOTA diffusion onto the SO(3) manifold
- Achieve SOTA results on synthetic dataset
- Showed application in astrophysical context and computer vision
- Further work is needed to fully harness its power.
- Produce mock catalogs for DESC/LSST with Argonne group

Future work: Yes, many :), happy to chat