Adversarial Score Distillation: When score distillation meets GAN -Supplemental Material-

A. Quantitative Evaluations and User Studies for 3D Generation

We quantitatively compare our ASD with DreamFusion [9] (SDS) and ProlificDreamer [11] (VSD) using CLIP score, following previous works [7, 9]. We evaluate the similarities between text prompts and randomly rendered views of the 3D NeRFs using three variants of CLIP [10] (i.e., CLIP B/32, CLIP B/16, and CLIP B/14). The CLIP score may not honestly reflect the quality of 3D results. For example, the CLIP score of Figure 1(a) is higher than Figure 1(b) even though its quality is significantly worse, which does not align with human perceptual judgments. Several existing methods [2, 11] choose to only conduct user studies for performance evaluation.

Method	CLIP B/32↑	CLIP B/16↑	CLIP L/14↑
DreamFusion (SDS)	0.3282	0.3290	0.2889
ProlificDreamer (VSD)	0.3203	0.3258	0.2789
Ours (ASD)	0.3314	0.3376	0.2854

Table 1. CLIP Score by computing the similarity between multiple randomly rendered views of the 3D model and the given text prompt.



Figure 1. Illustration of CLIP scores that conflict with human perceptual judgments. We use CLIP B/16 to compute scores here.



Figure 2. User evaluation between VSD and ASD.

Therefore, we also present user studies in Figure 2. We compare 3D NeRFs generated by VSD and ASD with different prompts in terms of details, semantic alignment, and overall quality. Figure 2 demonstrates that ASD leads to better details, which is consistent with our observation that VSD's results are slightly more saturated and therefore have worse details. The semantic alignment scores of VSD and ASD are similar. In general, more users prefer the results generated by ASD.

B. Derivation of Adversarial Score Distillation Loss and Gradients

We define a discriminator in the form as

$$D(x_t; y) = \log \frac{p(y|x_t)}{p(\phi|x_t)} \tag{1}$$

Based on WGAN [1, 12], we have the generator loss as

$$\mathcal{L}_G = \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[-D(x_t^g; y)] = \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[-\log \frac{p(y|x_t)}{p(\phi|x_t)}] \le \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[-\log \frac{p(y|x_t)^{\lambda}}{p(\phi|x_t)}] := \mathcal{L}'_G$$
(2)

where $x_t^g = \alpha_t g(\theta, c) + \sigma_t \epsilon$ denotes the generated sample with noise. According to the Bayesian rule, we can do the transformation $\nabla_{x_t} \log p(y|x_t) = -1/\sigma_t(\epsilon_{x_t;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t,t})$ similar to CFG [4]. Thus, we have

$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}'_{G} = \nabla_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\log p(\phi | x_{t}^{g}) - \lambda \log p(y | x_{t}^{g})] \\
= \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\omega(t) (-\left(\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},t}\right) + \lambda \left(\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},t}\right)) \frac{\partial x_{0}^{g}}{\partial \theta}] \\
= \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\omega(t) (\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},t} + \lambda (\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},t}) - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}) \frac{\partial x_{0}^{g}}{\partial \theta}]$$
(3)

where $\omega(t)$ is a weight based on the time t.

Then we have the discriminator loss as

$$\mathcal{L}_{D} = \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [D(x_{t}^{g}; y) - D(x_{t}^{r}; y) + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} D(\tilde{x}_{t}; y) \|_{2}^{2}] \\ = \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\log \frac{p(y|x_{t}^{g})}{p(\phi|x_{t}^{g})} - \log \frac{p(y|x_{t}^{r})}{p(\phi|x_{t}^{r})} + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \log \frac{p(y|\tilde{x}_{t})}{p(\phi|\tilde{x}_{t})} \|_{2}^{2}]$$
(4)

where $x_t^r = \alpha_t x_0^r + \sigma_t \epsilon$ is the noisy real sample based on the real sample x_0^r and the time t. In Eq. (4), $p(y|x_t^r)$ and $p(y|x_t^g)$ are based on the given pretrained diffusion model, so they are not optimizable. ϕ in $p(\phi|x_t^g)$ and $p(\phi|x_t^r)$ is optimizable, which can be implemented using an textual-inversion embedding [3] or LoRA [6]. Thus, \mathcal{L}_D is a loss function only about parameters ϕ , its gradient can be derived as

$$\nabla_{\phi} \mathcal{L}_{D} = \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\log p(\phi | x_{t}^{r}) - \log p(\phi | x_{t}^{g}) + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \log \frac{p(y | \tilde{x}_{t})}{p(\phi | \tilde{x}_{t})} \|_{2}^{2}]$$

$$= \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\left(\log p(x_{t}^{r} | \phi) + \log p(\phi) - \log p(x_{t}^{r})\right) - \left(\log p(x_{t}^{g} | \phi) + \log p(\phi) - \log p(x_{t}^{g})\right) + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \log \frac{p(y | \tilde{x}_{t})}{p(\phi | \tilde{x}_{t})} \|_{2}^{2}]$$

$$= \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\log \frac{p(x_{t}^{r} | \phi)}{p(x_{t}^{g} | \phi)} + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \left(\left(\log p(\tilde{x}_{t} | y) + \log p(y) - \log p(\tilde{x}_{t})\right) - \left(\log p(\tilde{x}_{t} | \phi) + \log p(\phi) - \log p(\tilde{x}_{t})\right) \right) \|_{2}^{2}]$$

$$= \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\log p(x_{t}^{r} | \phi) - \log p(x_{t}^{g} | \phi) + \tau \| \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \log p(\tilde{x}_{t} | y) - \nabla_{\tilde{x}_{t}} \log p(\tilde{x}_{t} | \phi) \|_{2}^{2}]$$

$$\approx \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon} [\| \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon \|_{2}^{2} - \| \epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon \|_{2}^{2} + \eta \| \epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} \|_{2}^{2} + \gamma \| \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} \|_{2}^{2}]$$
(5)

where we use $-\log p(x_0) \approx \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_t,\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_2^2]$, according to [5, 8]. \tilde{x} comes from a mixture distribution $\tilde{\mu}$, so we can sampling both real or fake data points [12] which means \tilde{x}_t can be replaced by a combination of x_t^r and x_t^g . η and γ are adjustable hyperparameters, to keep the penalty term positive, they are subject to $\gamma \ge -\eta \|\epsilon_{x_t^r;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^r;\phi,t}\|_2^2/\|\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^r;\phi,t}\|_2^2/\|\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^r;\phi,t}\|_2^2/\|\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^r;\phi,t}\|_2^2/\|\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^r;\phi,t}\|_2^2/\|\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t} - \epsilon_{x_t^g;\phi,t}\|_2^2$. However, in Eq. (5), the noisy real sample x_t^r is unavailable for text-conditioned cases. For these cases, we can use the upper bound of \mathcal{L}_D , (*i.e.* \mathcal{L}'_D), which does not contain x_t^r terms. When $\eta = 1/2$, based on triangle and Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, we have:

$$\nabla_{\phi}\mathcal{L}_{D}' = \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] \\
= \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} - \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + (\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2}) + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] \\
= \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} - \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(1^{2} + 1^{2})(\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2}) + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] \\
\geq \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} - \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2} + \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t} - \epsilon\|_{2})^{2} + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] \\
\geq \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} - \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon + \epsilon - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t}\|_{2})^{2} + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] \\
= \nabla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} - \|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon\|_{2}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},\phi,t} - \epsilon + \epsilon - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{r},y,t}\|_{2})^{2} + \gamma\|\epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},y,t} - \epsilon_{x_{t}^{g},\phi,t}\|_{2}^{2}] = \nabla_{\phi}\mathcal{L}_{D} \tag{6}$$

In practice, we find $\eta = 1/2, \gamma \in [-1, 0)$ works for most cases.

C. Explanation of the workflow

To get a clearer picture of the optimization workflow, we further provide an algorithm description in Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1 Adversarial Score Distillation for 3D tasks

Input: Prompt y, optimizable textual-inversion embedding or LoRA ϕ , and pretrained diffusion model.

- 1: repeat
- 2: Sample a camera pose c.
- 3: Differentiable render the 3D structure θ at pose c to get a 2D image $x_0 = g(\theta, c)$.
- 4: Random select a timestep t and add random noise ϵ to get $x_t^g = \alpha_t x_0 + \sigma_t \epsilon$.
- 5: Predict noise $\epsilon_{x_t^g;\phi,t}$, $\epsilon_{x_t^g;y,t}$ and $\epsilon_{x_t^g;t}$ using the pretrained diffusion model.
- 6: (Update G) Update θ with the gradient $\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}'_G : \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\omega(t)(\epsilon_{x^g_t;t} + \lambda(\epsilon_{x^g_t;y,t} \epsilon_{x^g_t;t}) \epsilon_{x^g_t;\phi,t}) \frac{\partial x^g_0}{\partial \theta}]$
- 7: (Update D) Update ϕ with the gradient $\nabla_{\phi} \mathcal{L}'_D : \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{t,\epsilon}[\|\epsilon_{x_t^{s};\phi,t} \epsilon\|_2^2 + \gamma \|\epsilon_{x_t^{s};\phi,t} \epsilon_{x_t^{s};\phi,t}\|_2^2]$
- 8: **until** converged

Output: 3D structure θ .

D. Multi-view visualization

We exhibit some examples in Figure 3. The code and project page will be released which will contain rotating videos of the generated 3D models.

E. Additional Experimental Results

More examples in both 2D distillation and text-to-3D tasks are shown in Figure 4. In the text-to-3D task, we only generate 3D NeRFs from scratch for simplicity, which is the first stage of VSD.

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Figure 3. Multi-view visualizations of generated 3D results.



a tarantula, highly detailed



a baby bunny sitting on [...]

a delicious croissant





a blue jay standing on [...]

[...] a goose made out of gold

a plush dragon toy

Figure 4. More examples generated by ASD in both 2D and 3D.