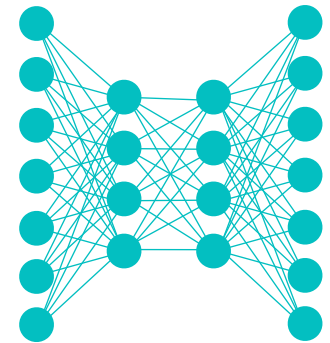


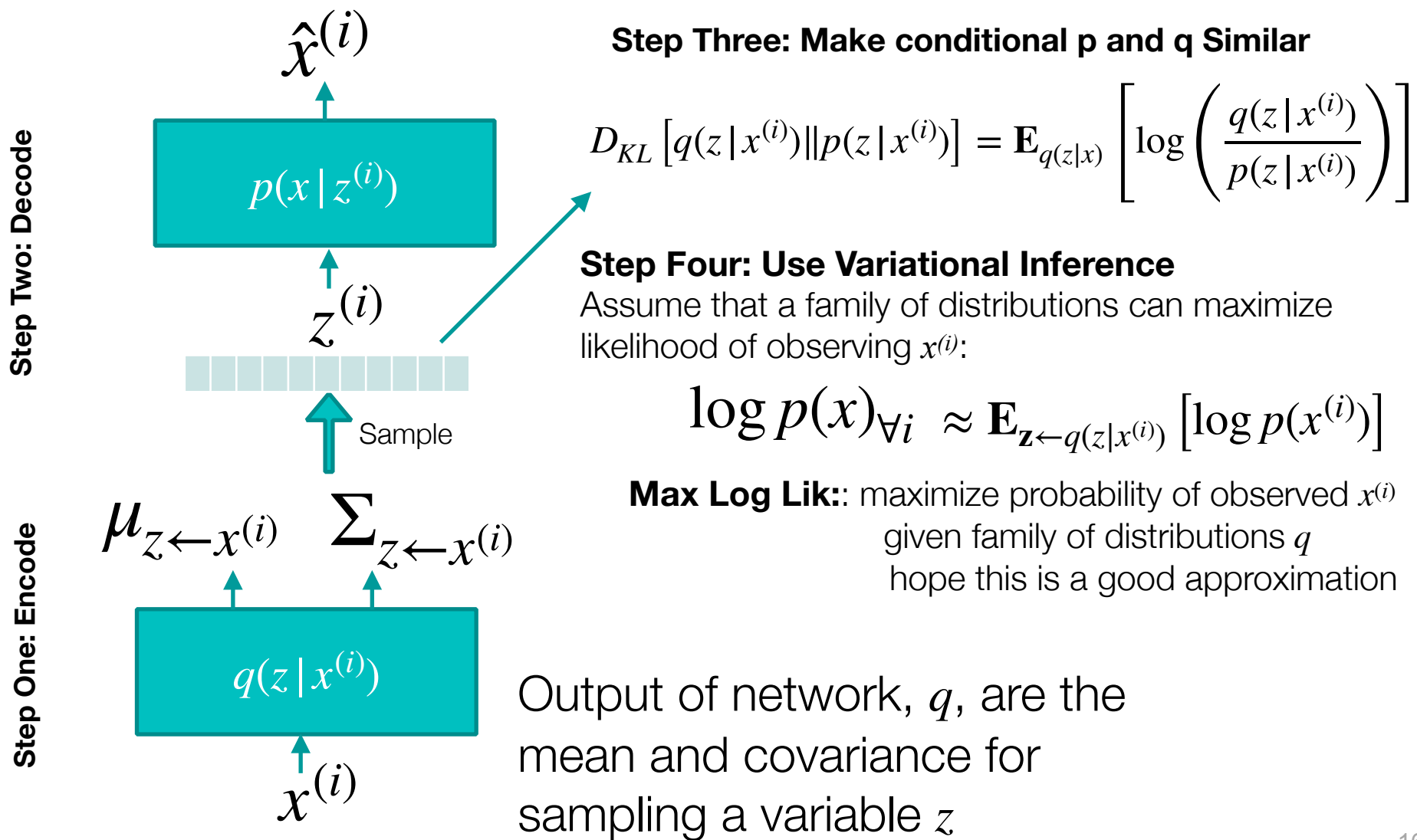
# Lecture Notes for **Neural Networks and Machine Learning**



Generative Networks  
and  
Auto-Encoding Generators



# Need a new formulation



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$$\log p(x)_{\forall i} \approx \mathbf{E}_{z \leftarrow q(z|x)} [\log p(x^{(i)})] \quad \text{Maximize!}$$

$$= \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{p(x^{(i)} | z) p(z)}{p(z | x^{(i)})} \frac{q(z | x^{(i)})}{q(z | x^{(i)})} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Variational + multiply by one} \\ p(z | x^{(i)}) \text{ this is still a problem} \end{array}$$

$$= \mathbf{E}_q [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] + \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{p(z)}{q(z | x^{(i)})} \right] + \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{q(z | x^{(i)})}{p(z | x^{(i)})} \right]$$

$$= \mathbf{E}_q [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{q(z | x^{(i)})}{p(z)} \right] + \mathbf{E}_q \left[ \log \frac{q(z | x^{(i)})}{p(z | x^{(i)})} \right]$$

$$= \mathbf{E}_q [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - D_{KL} [q(z | x^{(i)}) \| p(z)] + D_{KL} [q(z | x^{(i)}) \| p(z | x^{(i)})]$$

always non-negative

$$\log p(x)_{\forall i} \geq \mathbf{E}_q [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - D_{KL} [q(z | x^{(i)}) \| p(z)] \quad \text{Will Maximize Lower Bound}$$

## Can we motivate this in a different way?



# The Loss Function

Maximize through  
Error of Reconstruction  
Same as minimizing cross entropy

want  $p(z)$  to be  $\mathcal{N}(\mu = 0, \Sigma = I)$   
because it makes nice latent space  
 $q(z|x^{(i)}) \rightarrow (\mu_{z|x}, \Sigma_{z|x}) \quad p(z) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{KL}((\mu, \Sigma) \| \mathcal{N}(0, 1)) &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{tr}(\Sigma) + \mu \cdot \mu^T - \underbrace{k}_{|z|} - \log(\det(\Sigma)) \right) \begin{array}{l} \text{Determinant of diagonal} \\ \text{matrix is simple.} \\ \text{Motivates diagonal} \\ \text{covariance...} \end{array} \\
 \text{Can get this by manipulating} \\
 \text{the KL for normal distribution} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_k \Sigma_{k,k} + \sum_k \mu_k^2 - \sum_k 1 - \log \left( \prod_k \Sigma_{k,k} \right) \right) \\
 &\geq \mathbf{E}_{q(z|x^{(i)})} \left[ \log p(x^{(i)} | z) - D_{KL}[q(z|x^{(i)}) \| p(z)] \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (\Sigma_{k,k} + \mu_k^2 - 1 - \log \Sigma_{k,k})
 \end{aligned}$$



# The Covariance Output

$$\geq \mathbf{E}_{q(z|x^{(i)})} [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - D_{KL} [q(z | x^{(i)}) || p(z)]$$

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raw covariance is not numerically stable because of underflow

$$\log \Sigma_{k,k} = \widehat{\Sigma_{k,k}}_{\text{predicted by } q(z|x^{(i)})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( \exp \left( \widehat{\Sigma_{k,k}} \right) + \mu_k^2 - 1 - \widehat{\Sigma_{k,k}} \right)$$

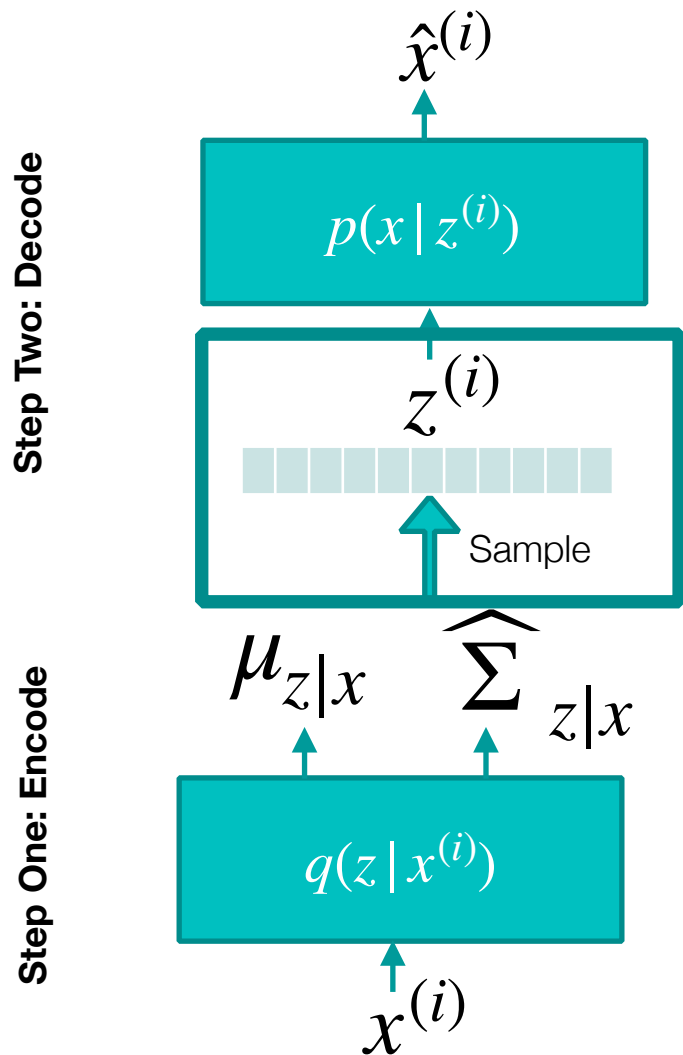
so we will have the neural network output log variance

Also, remember we assume **diagonal covariance**, so  $z$ 's are not correlated

This means covariance is only a vector of variances (the diagonal of  $\Sigma$ )



# Back Propagating



$$\geq \mathbf{E}_{q(z|x^{(i)})} [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - D_{KL} [q(z | x^{(i)}) \| p(z)]$$

This is partially differentiable by chain rule...

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}(\mu_{z|x}, \exp(\widehat{\Sigma_{z|x}})) &= z \\ &= \mu(x^{(i)}) + \exp(\widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})}) \cdot \mathcal{N}(0,1) \end{aligned}$$

**To update  $q$ ,  
we need to back propagate  
through sampling layer. How?**



# The Loss Function Implementation

```
# Encode the input into a mean and variance parameter
z_mean, z_log_variance = encoder(input_img)
# Draw a latent point using a small random epsilon
z = z_mean + exp(z_log_variance) * epsilon

# Then decode z back to an image
reconstructed_img = decoder(z)

# Instantiate a model
model = Model(input_img, reconstructed_img)
```

$$z = \mu(x^{(i)}) + \exp(\widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})}) \cdot \mathcal{N}(0,1)$$

```
def vae_loss(self, x, z_decoded):
    x = K.flatten(x)
    z_decoded = K.flatten(z_decoded)
    xent_loss = keras.metrics.binary_crossentropy(x, z_decoded)
    kl_loss = -5e-4 * K.mean(
        1 + z_log_var - K.square(z_mean) - K.exp(z_log_var), axis=-1)
    return K.mean(xent_loss + kl_loss)
```

$$-\mathbf{E}_{q(z|x^{(i)})} [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)]$$

$$-\lambda \sum_k 1 + \widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})} - \mu(x^{(i)})^2 - \exp(\widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})})$$

## Note:

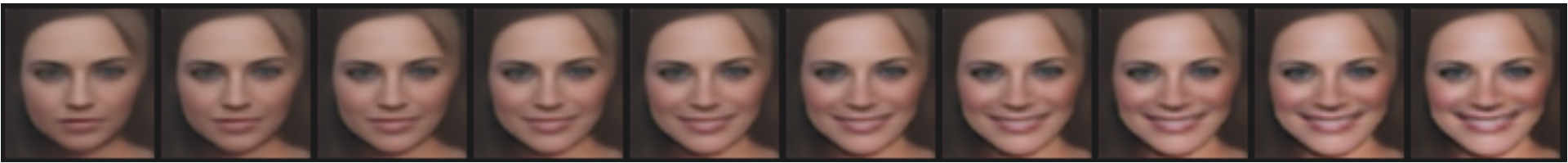
Flipped from maximization to minimization  
and added lambda for tradeoff in reconstruction, normal latent space

$$= -\mathbf{E}_{q(z|x^{(i)})} [\log p(x^{(i)} | z)] - \lambda \sum_k 1 + \widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})} - \mu(x^{(i)})^2 - \exp(\widehat{\Sigma(x^{(i)})})$$

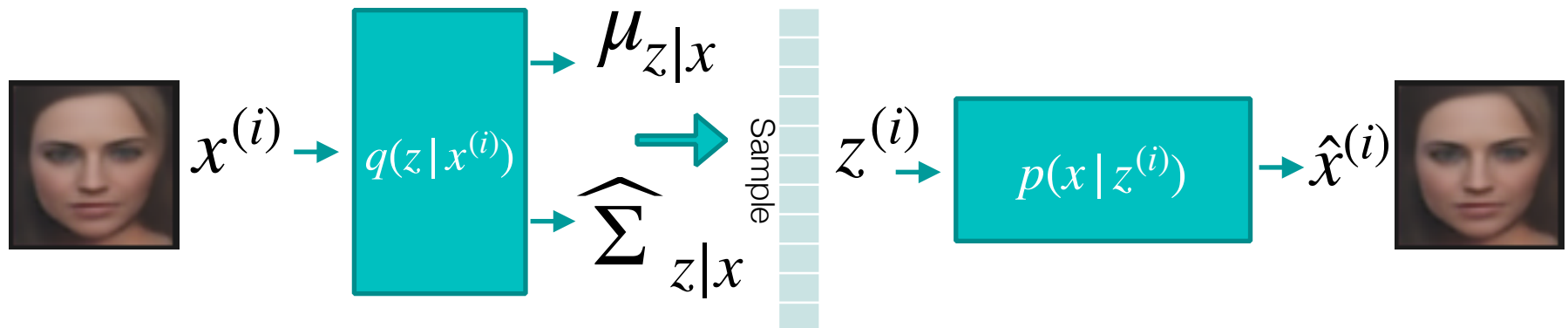


# Now that its trained, so what?

Encoding faces, then adjust the “z” that relates to smiling.



Investigate what happens by moving around each  $z_i$





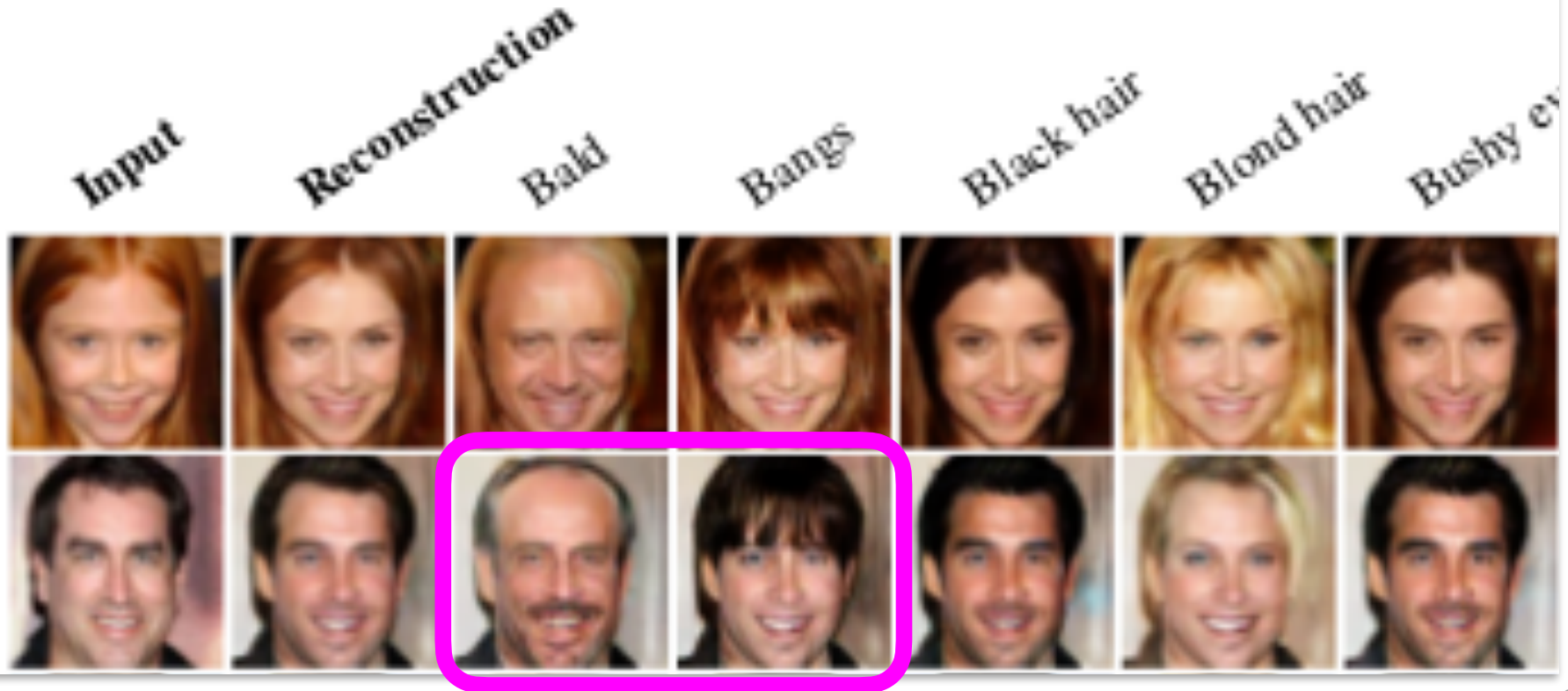
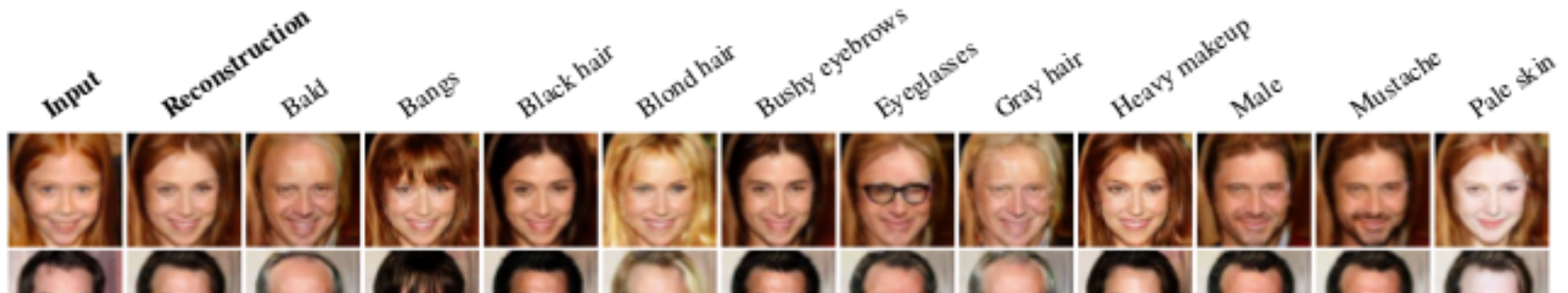
# VAE Examples

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# VAE Examples

Different, automatically found  $z$ , latent variables





# VAEs in Keras

Sampling from variational auto encoder  
using MNIST



Demo by Francois Chollet

In Master Repo: [07a VAEs in Keras.ipynb](#)

Follow Along: <https://github.com/fchollet/deep-learning-with-python-notebooks/blob/master/8.4-generating-images-with-vaes.ipynb>

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# Adversarial Auto Encoding





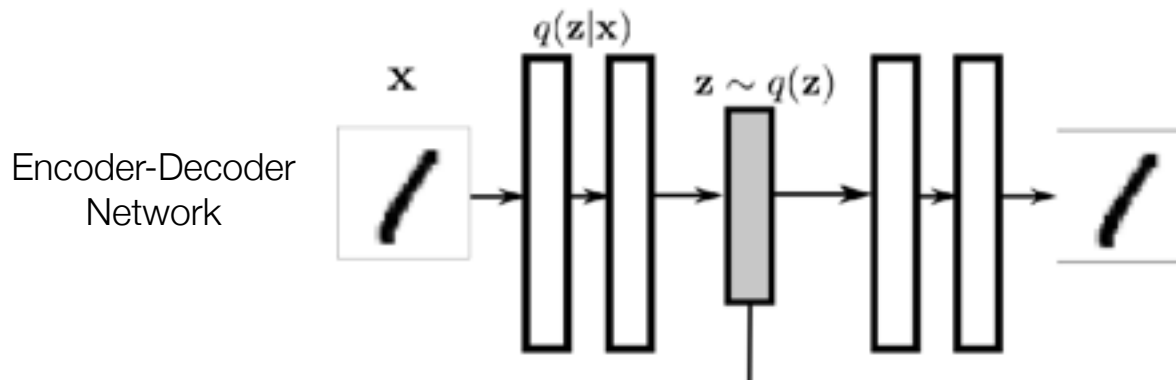
# Do we need something more than VAE?

- Arguments for Yes:
  - ELBO is not global optimum! But... provides theory
  - Assumption of Normal distributions to  $q(z)$  is limiting
  - Training tends to be slower (...so do GANs...)
  - Manifold of distributions do not cover the latent space completely (not guaranteed)
  - We can't incorporate distributions separately for different classes without reformulating loss function
- Arguments for No:
  - It seems hard, how can we research methods that aren't low hanging fruit? Plus the VAE math was like really hard for me to understand so this is not going to be very fun, guaranteed. Ah, fine lets look at it.



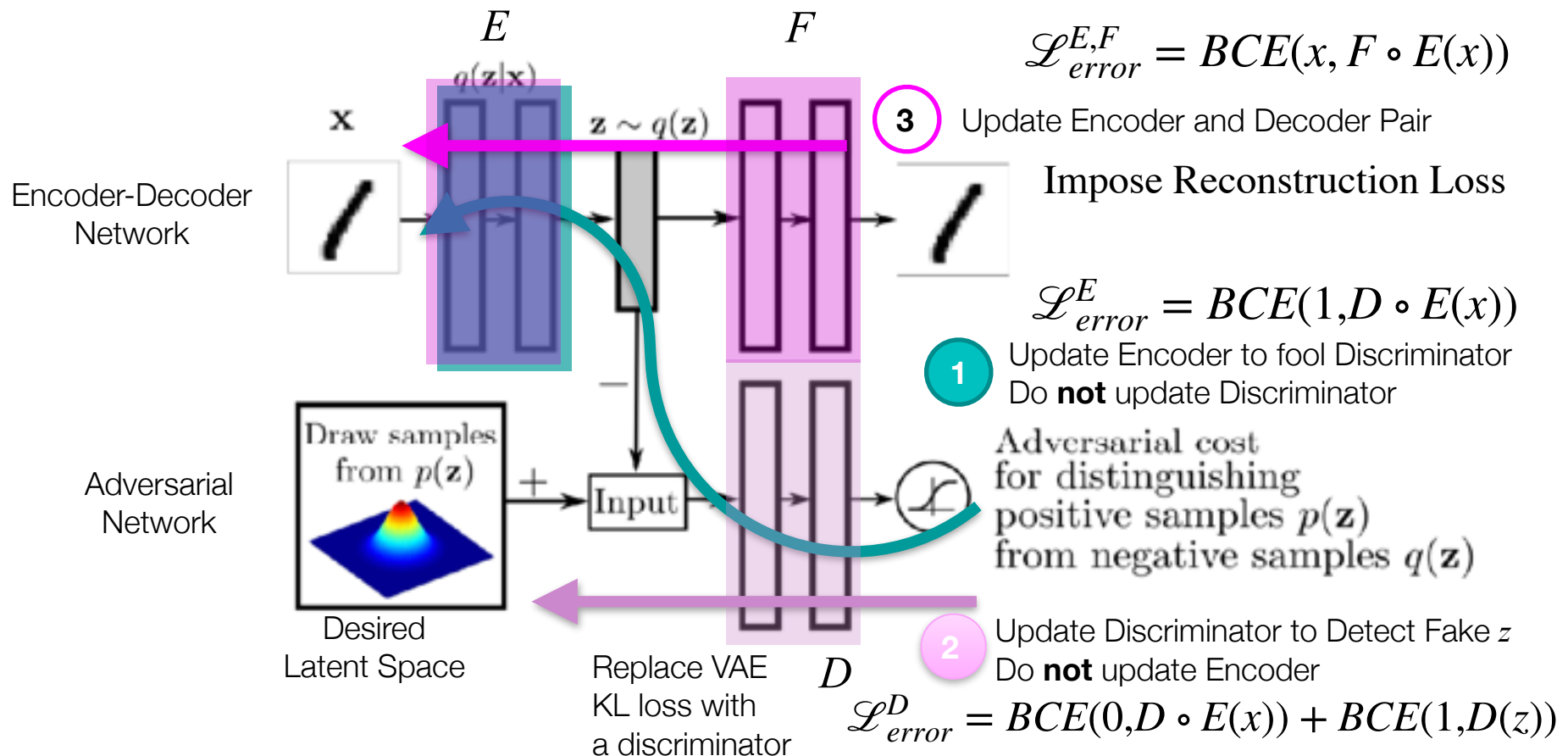
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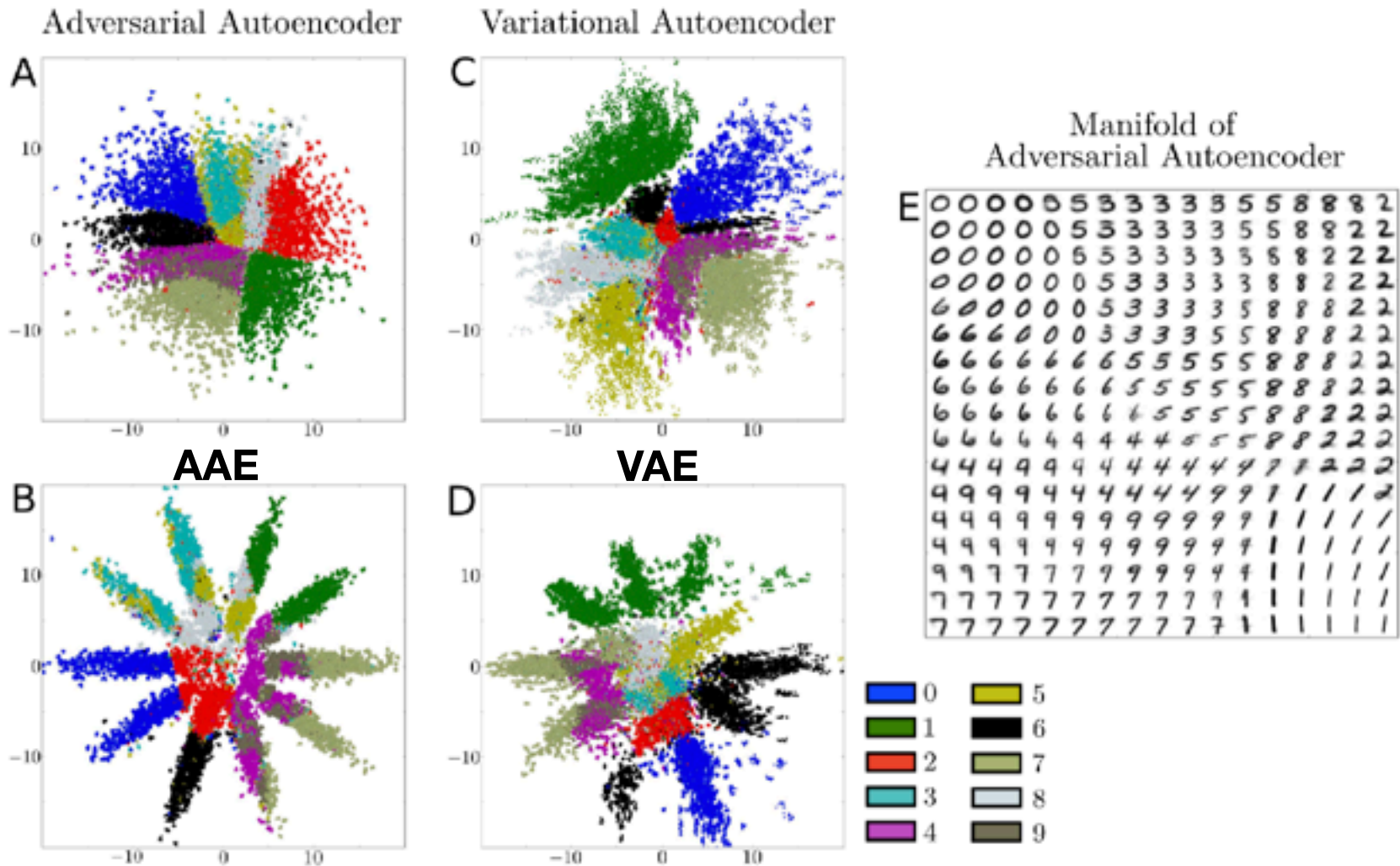
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# Arbitrary Prior Distributions



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