

# Lab 4 - Conditional VAE for Video Prediction

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# Introduction

# Important Date

- Kaggle competition deadline: **2024/5/6 11:55**
- E3 upload deadline: **2024/5/7 18:00**
- **Demo: 2023/5/7**
- Format
  - Zip whole source code directory and named it in **LAB4\_{studentID}\_{YOUR\_NAME}.zip**  
**and upload to Lab 4 - Conditional VAE (code)**
  - Save your report as pdf file and named it in **LAB4\_{studentID}\_{YOUR\_NAME}.pdf**  
**and upload to Lab 4 - Conditional VAE (report)**

# Kaggle Competition

- Kaggle competition deadline: **2024/5/6 11:55**
- Team name: {your student id}\_{your name}
- ○ **-5 points for wrong team name**
- 1 person 1 team
- 5 submission per day
- Tester.py will generate submission.csv for submission
- Scoring criteria
  1. Pass baseline: 20 points
  2. Top 30: 25 points
  3. Top 10: 30 points

# General Forums

- If you got any questions, please post it in general forums
  - Other students might have the same questions
  - TAs will try their best to answer you in time

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**Your competition is ready to launch!**

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New Topic

# Introduction - Theme (Prior work)

## Everybody Dance Now

Caroline Chan\*   Shiry Ginosar   Tinghui Zhou†   Alexei A. Efros

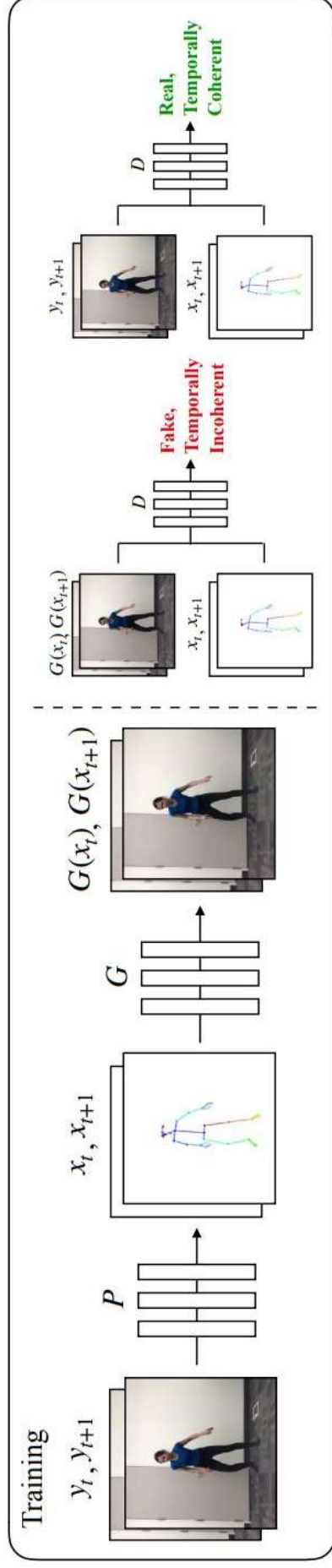
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refer to <https://github.com/carolineec/EverybodyDanceNow>

# Introduction - Theme (Prior work)

- Use pre-trained pose estimation network to generate pose images
- Predict the following video frame with GAN-based structure
- Generate the prediction by taking pose as inputs in inference time



refer to <https://github.com/carolineec/EverybodyDanceNow>



# Introduction - Theme (Prior work)

- Inference the output in frame by frames
- Generate the video output by concatenate a sequence of output images

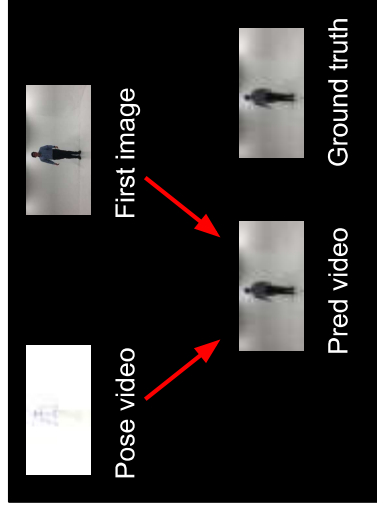
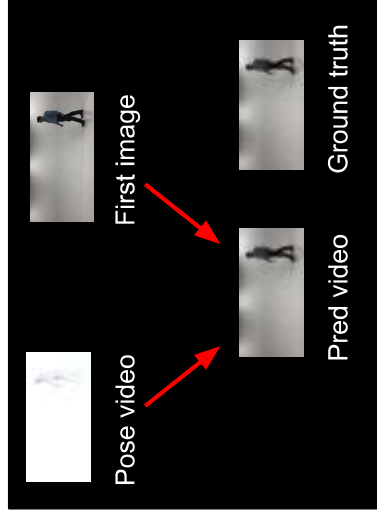


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## Lab details

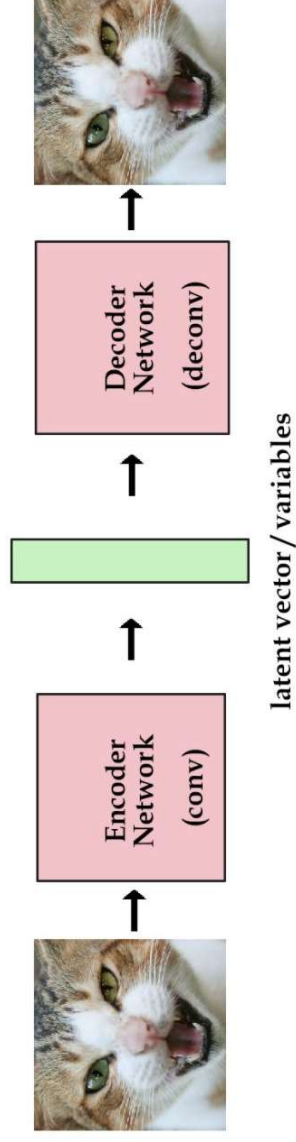
# Lab Objective

- In this Lab, you need to implement video prediction by VAE method
  - Pose Video sequence
  - One Initial image
  - To generate predicted video sequence

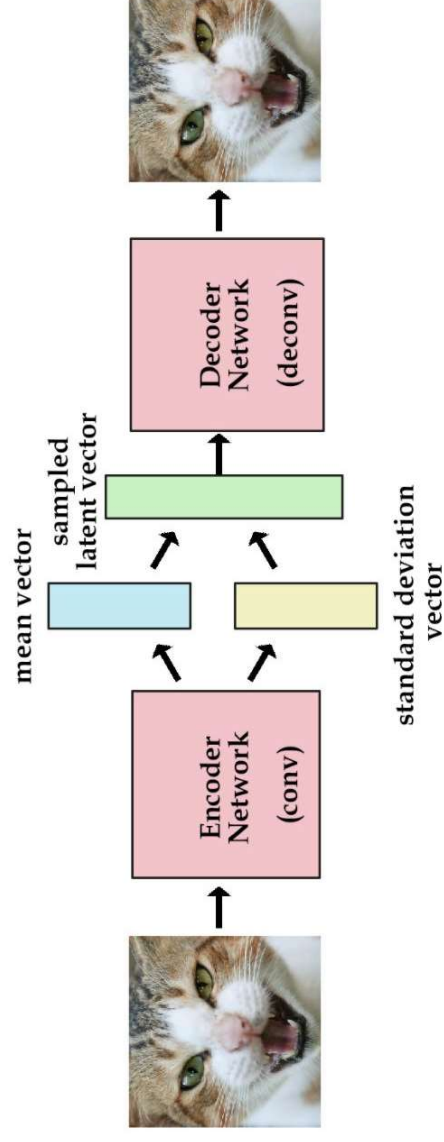


# VAE recap

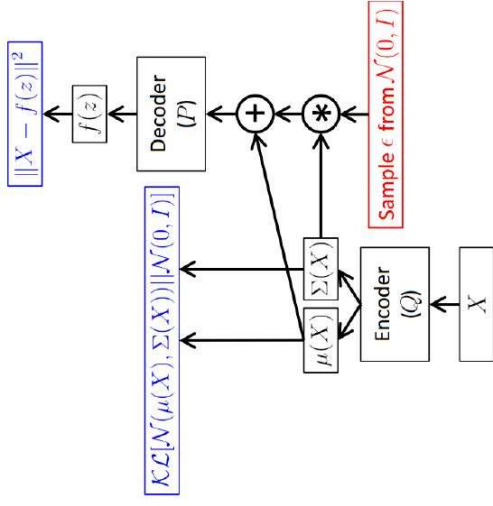
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VAE



# VAE recap - Reparameterization tricks



$$\mathcal{L}(X, q, \theta) = E_{Z \sim q(Z|X; \phi)} \log p(X|Z; \theta) - \text{KL}(q(Z|X; \phi) \| p(Z))$$

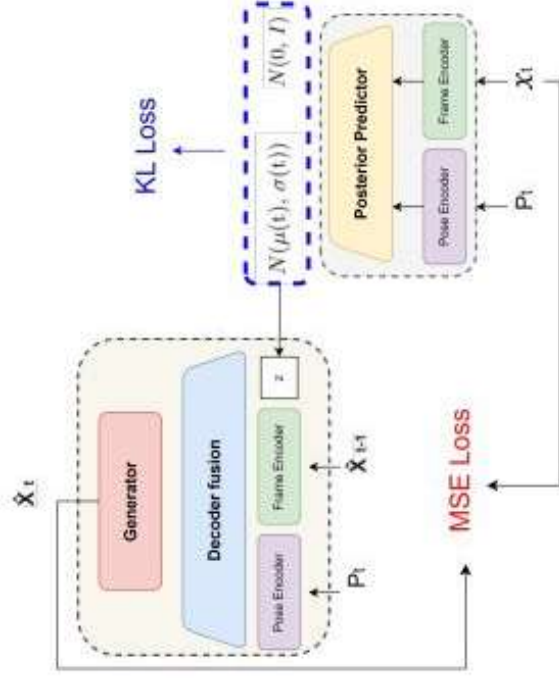
where  $q(Z|X; \phi)$  is considered as encoder and  $p(X|Z; \theta)$  as decoder.

Output should be seen as **log variance** rather than simply **variance**

$$\underbrace{E_{Z \sim q(Z|X; \theta')} \log p(X|Z; \theta)}_{\text{Re-parameterization for end-to-end training}} - \text{KL}(q(Z|X; \theta') \| p(Z))$$

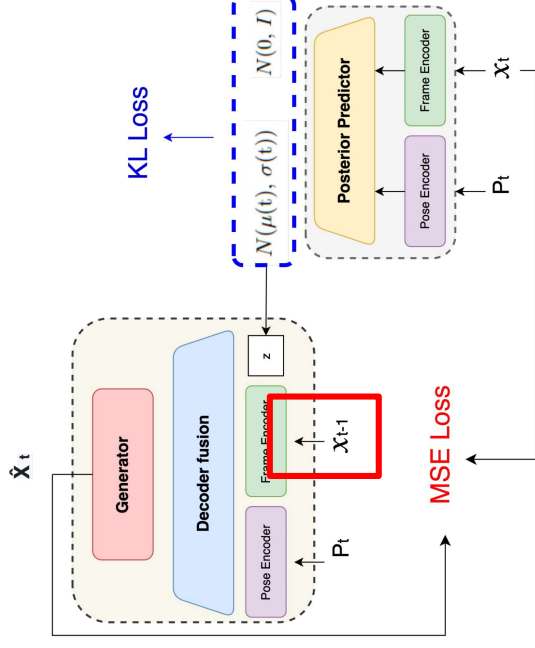
# LAB Description - Training

- Generate posterior by **posterior predictor**
- Take the following info as input to Decoder Fusion
  - Pose image
  - Previous frame
  - Sample Z from posterior predictor
- Generate the final output by **Generator**
- **Loss = MSE-term + KL-term**



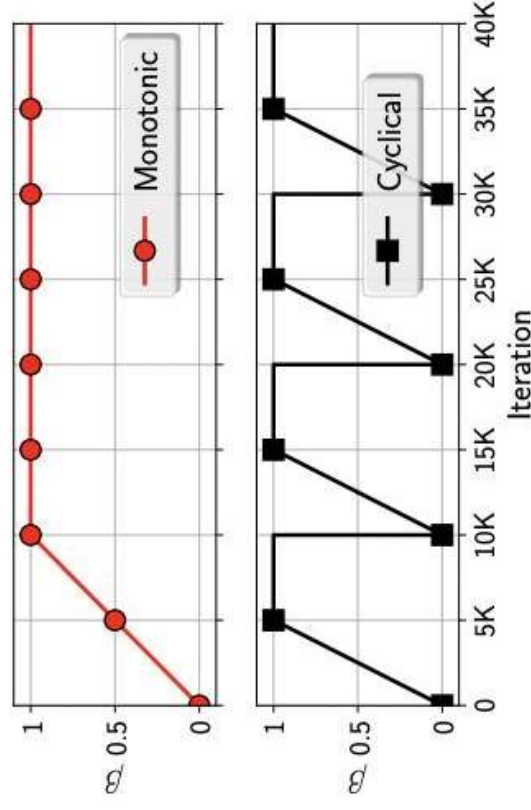
# LAB Description - Teacher forcing

- Take ground truth frame as input rather than last generated frame
- Teacher forcing ratio is set to  $0 \sim 1$  and
  - When to use teacher forcing depends on your design



# LAB Description - KL annealing

- To stable training
  - Loss = MSE-term + KL-term \*  $\alpha$

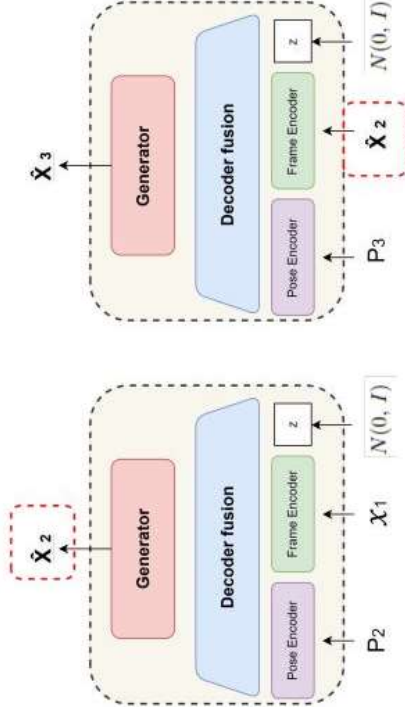


H. Fu, et al., "Cyclical Annealing Schedule: A Simple Approach to Mitigating KL Vanishing," NAACL 2019



# LAB Description -Inference

- Generate frame by taking
- Pose image
- last generated frame
- Z sample from prior distribution
  - Prior distribution can be set by yourself
  - **$N(0, I)$  is recommended**



# Requirements

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- Training details implementation
  - Training protocol
  - Teacher forcing strategy. Teacher forcing ratio **range 0 ~ 1**
  - KL annealing strategy
  - Other training strategy (training trick)
- Plot diagram
  - Plot the loss curve in different kind of setting while training
  - Plot PSNR per frame while validation your output result
  - Plot teacher forcing ratio while training

# Requirements

- Analysis
  - Compare the loss curve difference in different setting and make your assumption
  - Make your validation result into gif files (This should be shown in Demo)
  - Derivation of conditional VAE (see the detail in spec)

**Others**

# Testing time

- 5 videos should be generated
- Each video sequence contains
  - One initial frame
  - 630 pose images
- You need to take given datas to generate **the following 629 future frames**

## Provided files

- Trainer.py
- Tester.py
- dataloader.py
- requirements.txt (**python3.9 is recommended**)
- modules/

# RUN Test

- Testing file has been done, simply type the following command

```
python Tester.py --DR {YOUR_DATASET_PATH}  
--save_root {PATH_TO_SAVE_YOUR_CHECKPOINT}  
--ckpt_path {PATH_TO_YOUR_CHECKPOINT}
```

- If success, it will output 5 gif files and submission.csv
- submission.csv is used for submission to kaggle





# Dataset

- a. Training dataset
  - i. train\_img: 23410 png files
  - ii. train\_label: 23410 png files
- b. Validation dataset
  - i. val\_img: 630 png files
  - ii. val\_label: 630 png files
- c. Testing dataset
  - i. 5 video sequences are given. Each video sequence contains one first frame and 630 label frames.

# Recommend commands

## c. Recommended command

- Training command

```
python Trainer.py --DR {YOUR_DATASET_PATH}  
--save_root {PATH_TO_SAVE_YOUR_CHECKPOINT}  
--fast_train
```

- `--fast_train`: is use fewer dataset and large learning rate to speed up your training

# Reference

- [1] C. Chan, et al., "Everybody Dance Now," ICCV, 2019
- [2] E. Denton, et al., "Stochastic Video Generation with a Learned Prior," ICML, 2018
- [3] H. Fu, et al., "Cyclical Annealing Schedule: A Simple Approach to Mitigating KL Vanishing," NAAACL 2019