

# Variational Auto-Encoders

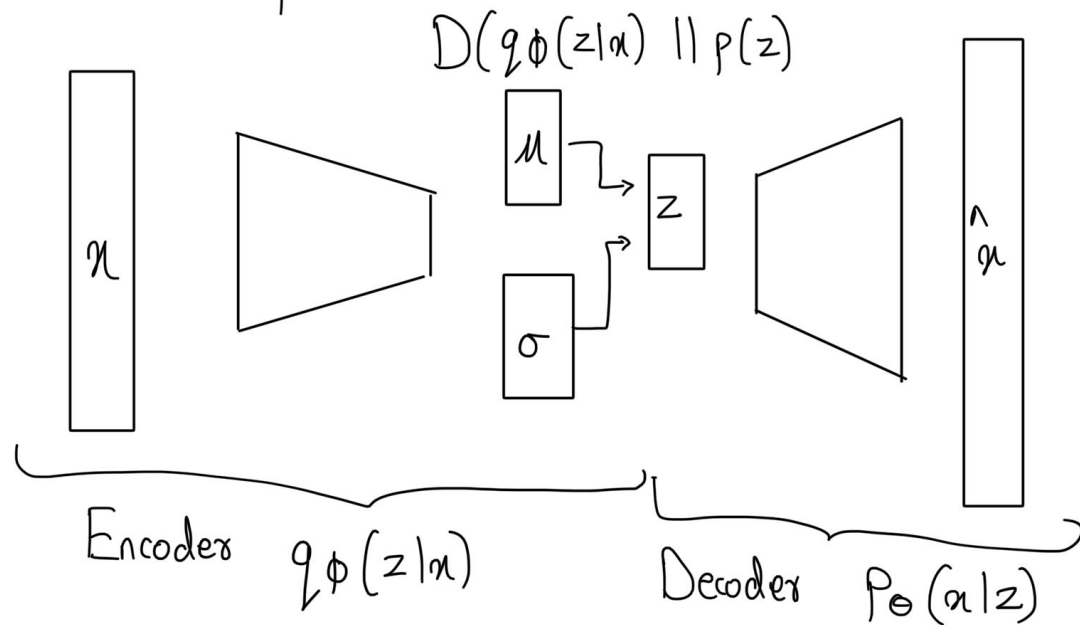
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# Variational Auto Encoders (VAEs)

→ VAEs are probabilistic twist on auto encoders



$$\mathcal{L}(\phi, \theta, x) = \text{reconstruction loss} + \text{regularization term}$$

$$D(q_\phi(z|\alpha) \parallel p(z))$$

$\uparrow$   
 Inferred latent  
distribution
 

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 Fixed prior on  
latent distribution

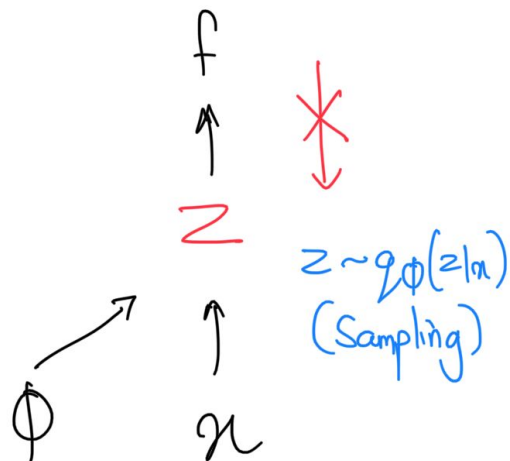
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (\sigma_j + \mu_j^2 - 1 - \log \sigma_j)$$

KL-divergence between two gaussians

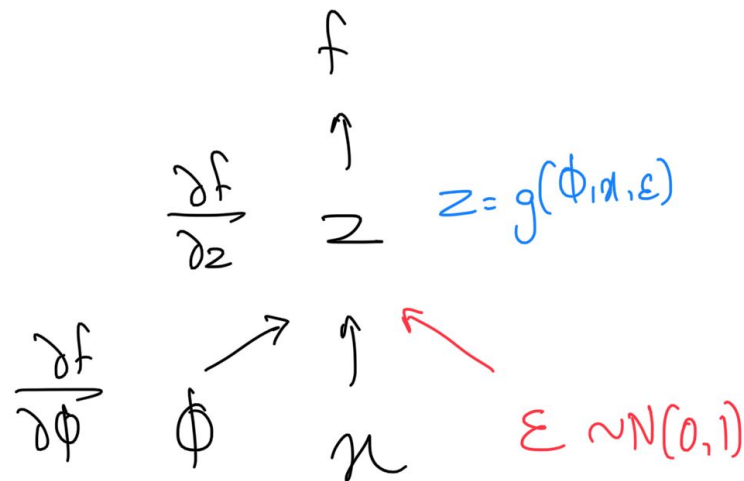
# Backpropagation in VAEs

Normal AEs

Stochastic  
node



VAEs



# Use cases

- Image Generation using normal distribution
- Image changing latent spaces
- Image Denoising
- Image Reconstruction