

# Deep Learning with Keras

## Session 3: (Convolutional) AutoEncoder Networks

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# What are autoencoders?

"Autoencoding" is a data compression algorithm where the compression and decompression functions are:

- 1) **data-specific**: They will only be able to compress data similar to what they have been trained on.
- 2) **lossy**: The decompressed outputs will be degraded compared to the original inputs (similar to MP3 or JPEG compression).
- 3) **learned automatically from examples**: It doesn't require any new engineering, just appropriate training data.

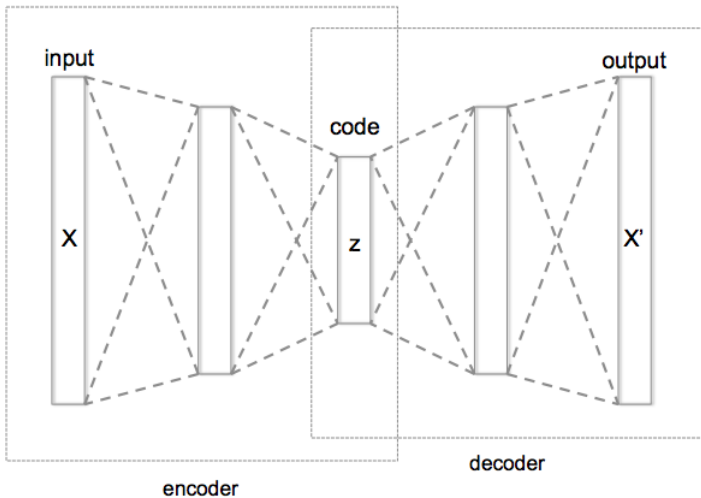
# Functions

You need three things:

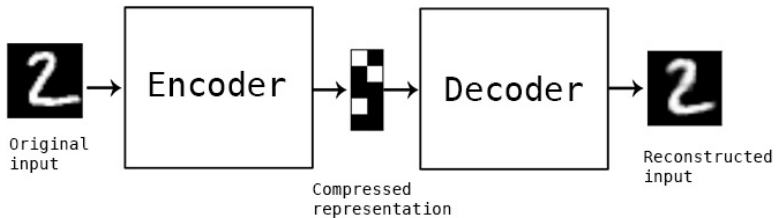
- 1) Encoding function,
- 2) Decoding function,
- 3) Distance function between the amount of information loss between the compressed representation of your data and the decompressed representation (i.e. a "loss" function).

The encoding/decoding functions can be optimized to minimize the reconstruction loss, using Stochastic Gradient Descent.

# Architecture



# MNIST example



# CAE architecture

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# An example

