

Internship Project

Refinement of Deep Learning approaches for cells clustering

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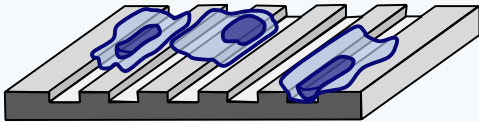
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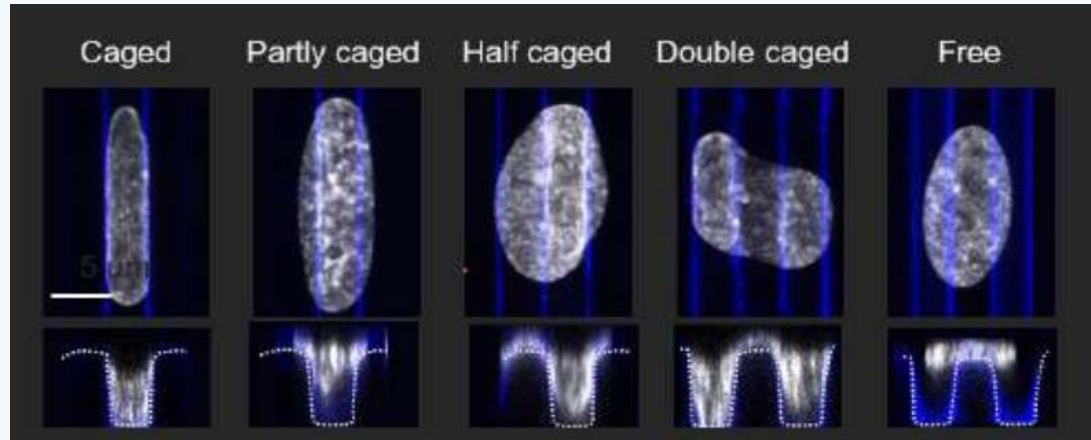
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Project Context (1/2)

The need for innovative tools for early cancer detection



Response of cancerous cells
vs non tumorous cells on
micropattern surfaces:
**deformations on trench
lines**



Project Context (2/2)

A continuation of the PRIM project of François Thenier

▲ Specific interest

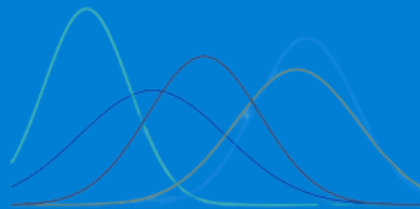
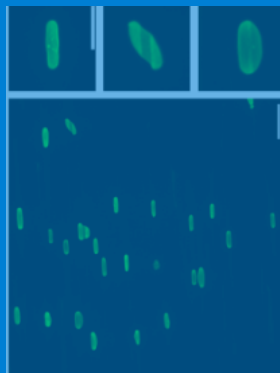
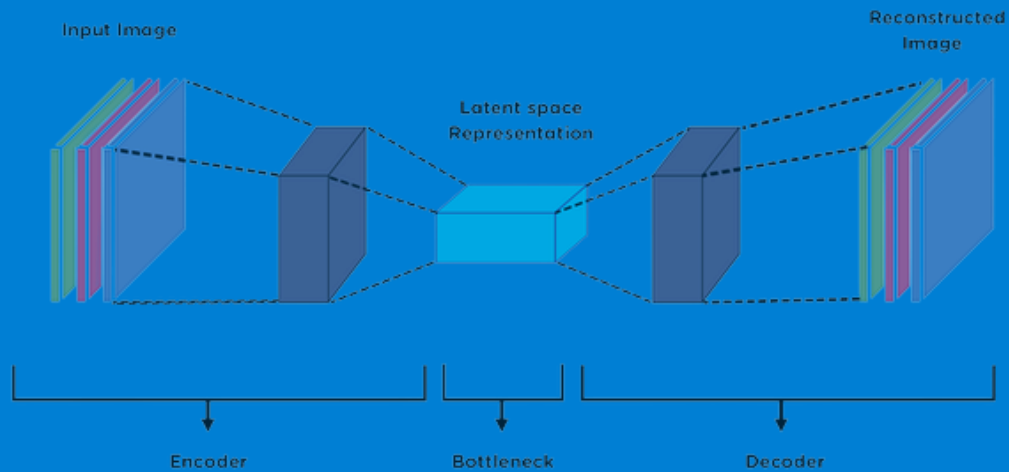
- Deformations induced by **mutations** compared to control cells
- **Different kinds** of mutations

▲ New challenge

- Another dataset with **new processing challenges**
- Need for a more **sophisticated architecture**

Agenda

- I. Scope Statement
- II. Project Design
- III. Methods
- IV. Results & Discussions
- V. Refinement of the architecture
- VI. Conclusion & Perspective



I. Scope Statement

I. Scope Statement (1/2)

Project's Goal:

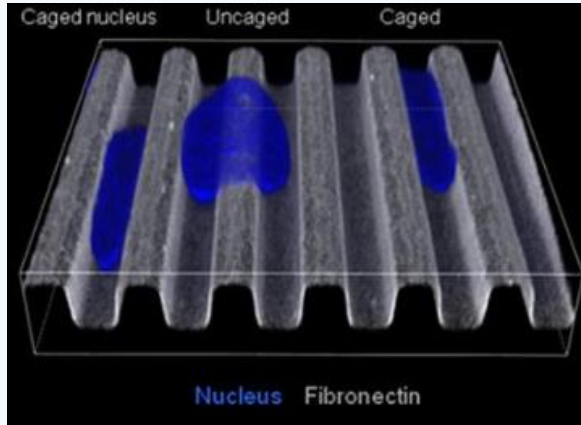
Develop a deep learning pipeline for weakly supervised cells segmentation and clustering

- Adapt image pre-processing to the density of cell images
- Refine a CNN solution for cell segmentation : Cellope
- Generate the segmentation masks and label the cells
- Develop VAE / cVAE architectures for cell clustering
- Evaluate the models and infer the results

I. Scope Statement (2/2)

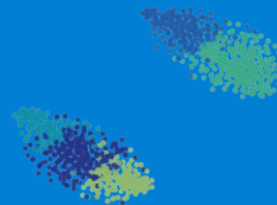
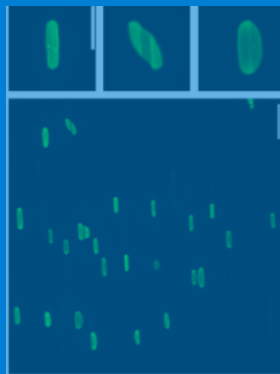
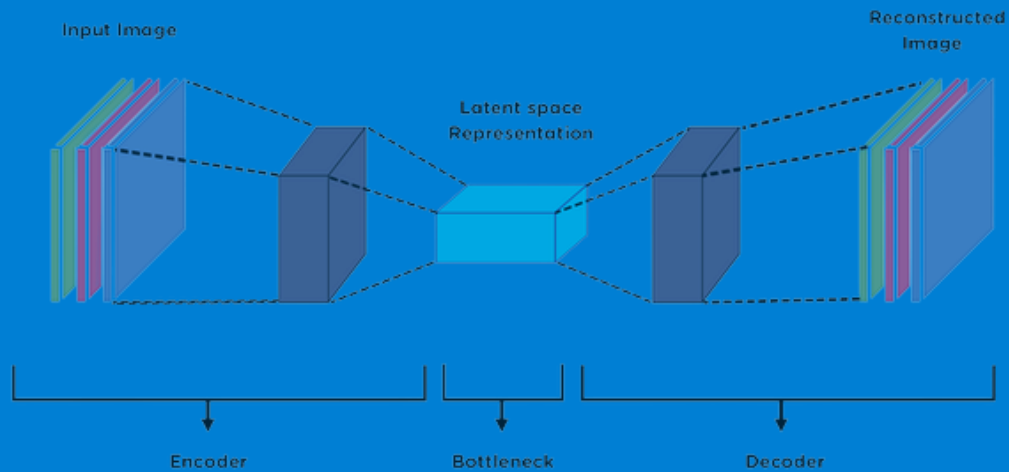
Dataset

- Images of MCF10A cells
- Cultured on grooves of 5 μm width spaced by 5 μm



Types

- Control line
- BRAFV600E
- DCIS.com
- PIK3CA
- Rac1



II. Project Design

II. Project Design (1/2)

Preprocessing

Rotation

CLAHE

Normalize

Clip intensity

Denoising

Segmentation

Fine tune a Cellpose model

Segmentation Masks

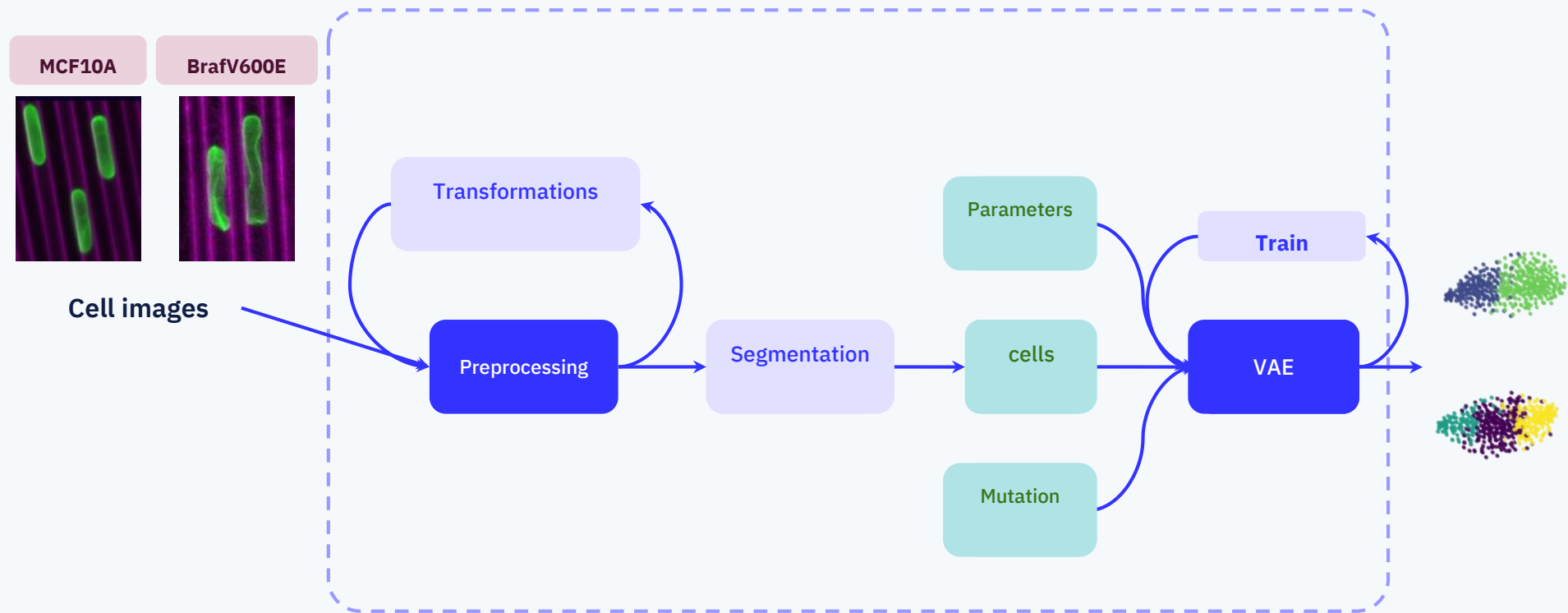
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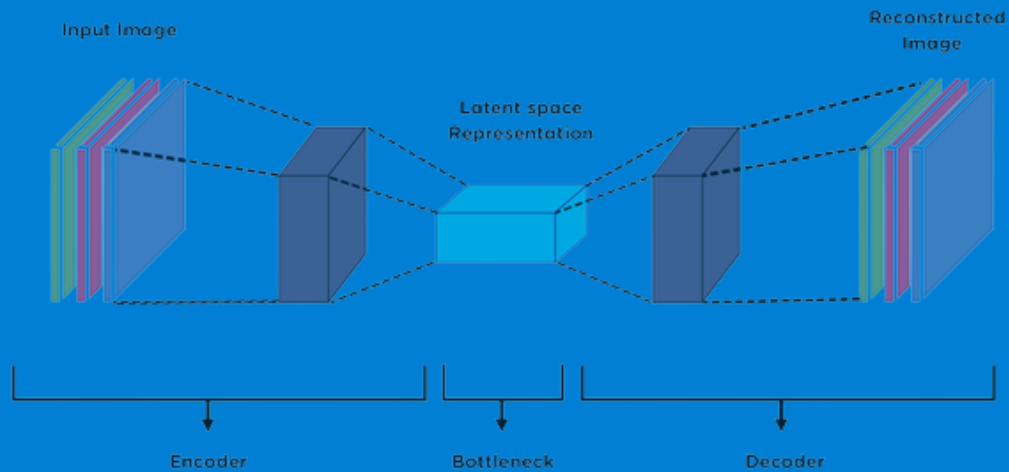
Cells clustering

VAE

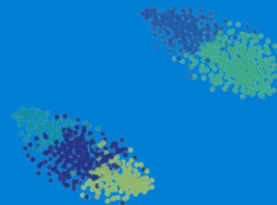
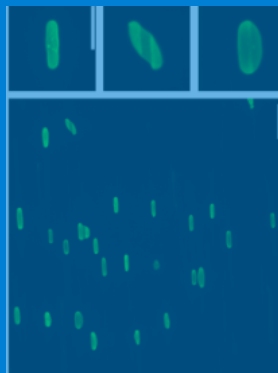
cVAE

II. Project Design (2/2)





III. Methods



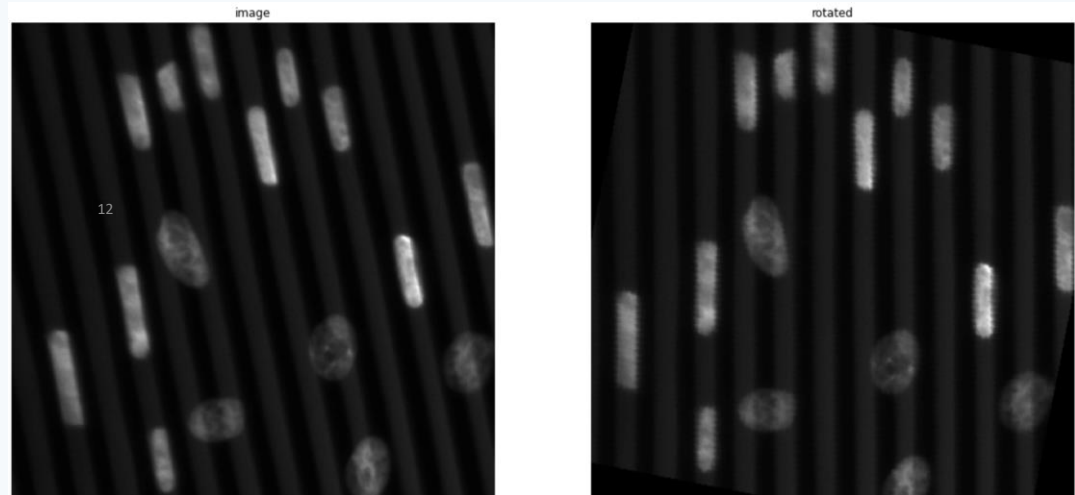
III. Methods : Preprocessing (1/5)



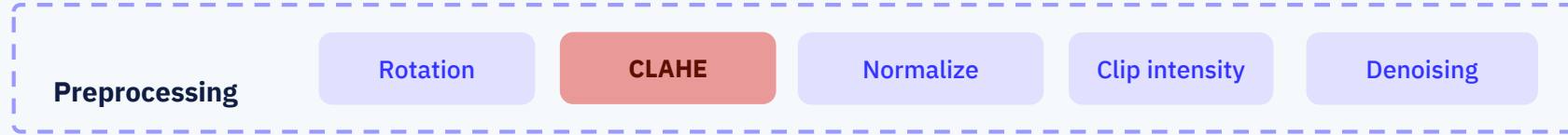
- **Angle Detection:** based on Hough line transform with Canny edge detection
- **Image Rotation :** using a rotation matrix of the detected angle



Eliminates **orientation-related noise** in the training data

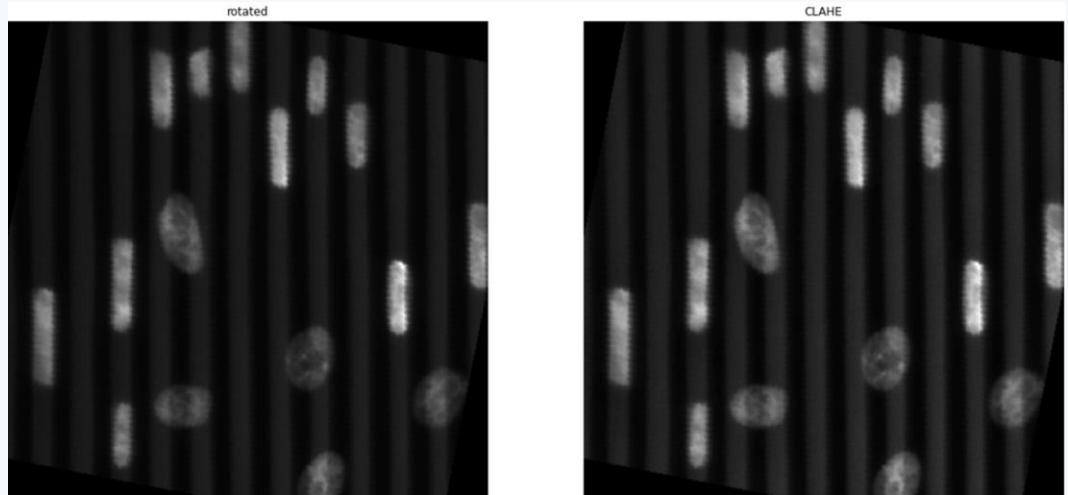


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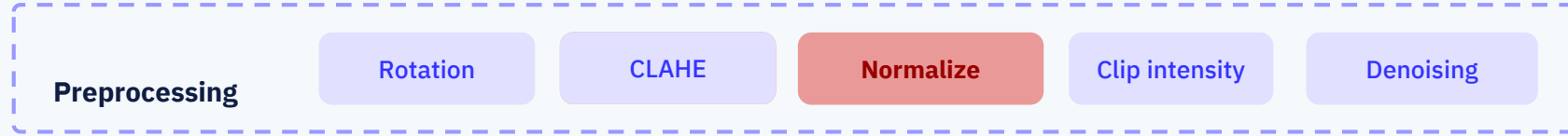


- **Poor** contrast images, challenging identification of cell features
- Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization

➡ **Improves** image **contrast**



III. Methods : Preprocessing (3/5)



- **Scale** the pixel values linearly to a common range, typically $[0, 1]$.
- **Prepare** images for intensity clipping

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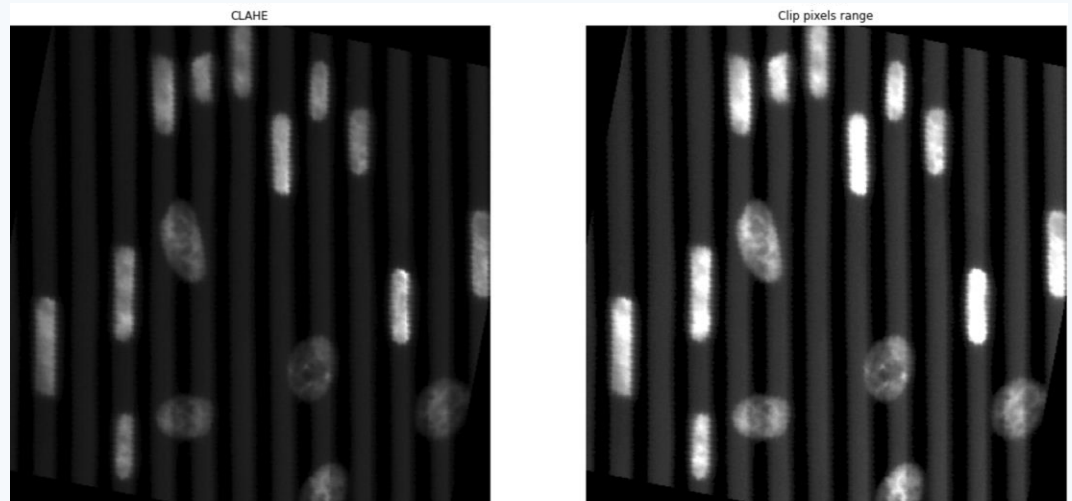
➡ **Mitigates issues** related to varying image intensities

III. Methods : Preprocessing (4/5)



- **Outliers:** extreme pixel values
- Use of the **percentiles** of the image intensity distribution.

➡ **Enhances** image **quality** by reducing extreme pixel values

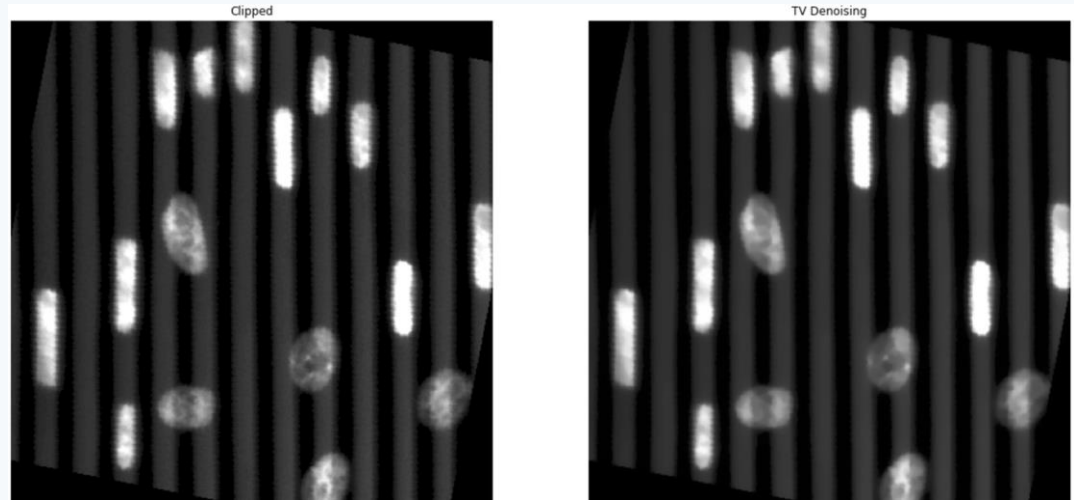


III. Methods : Preprocessing (5/5)



- Total Variation (TV) denoising

➡ Enhances image clarity by removing unwanted noise and keeping cell textures



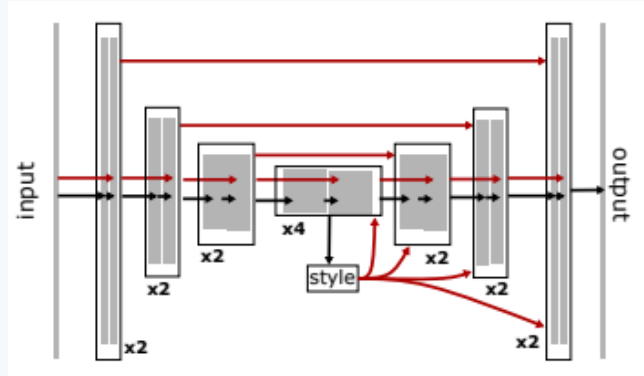
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Segmentation

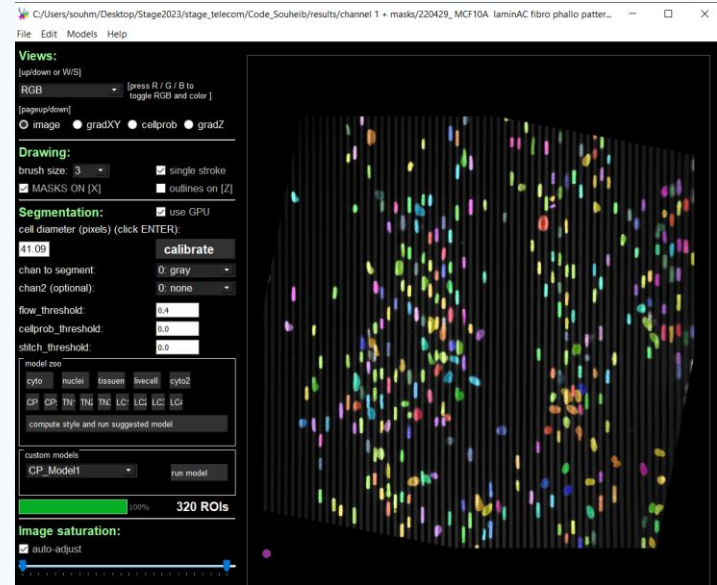
Fine tune a Cellpose
model

Segmentation Masks

Crop Cell patches



Cellpose architecture : UNET



Cellpose GUI: "Human in the loop" training

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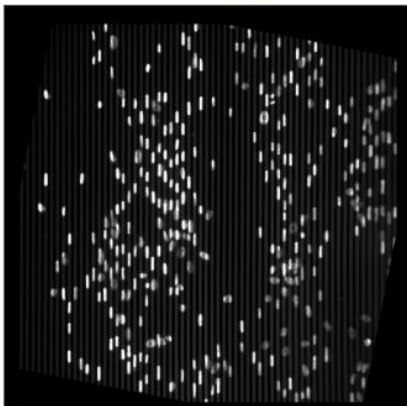
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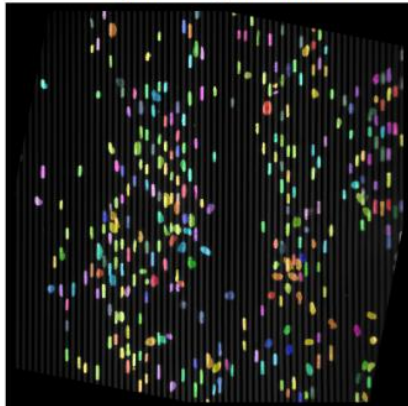
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Cell Image



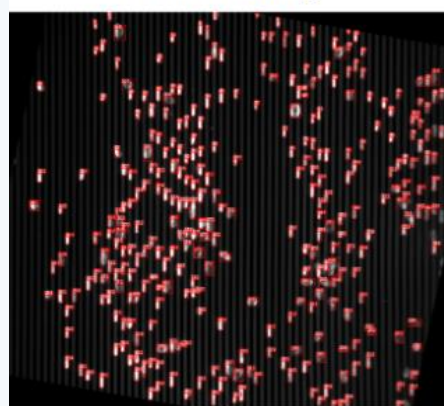
Cellpose segmentation



Generated mask



Cells Labeling



III. Methods : Segmentation (3/5)



Method 1 : Crop + Resize

- Resize the cell image while preserving its aspect ratio.
- + Flexibility of the resized shape
- Information loss : Real size of the cell

Method 2 : Crop + Padd

- Crop or pad the cell image while preserving its original size.
- + Take into account the real size of the cell as a feature
- Limited choice of the target shape

➡ A study of cell properties is required

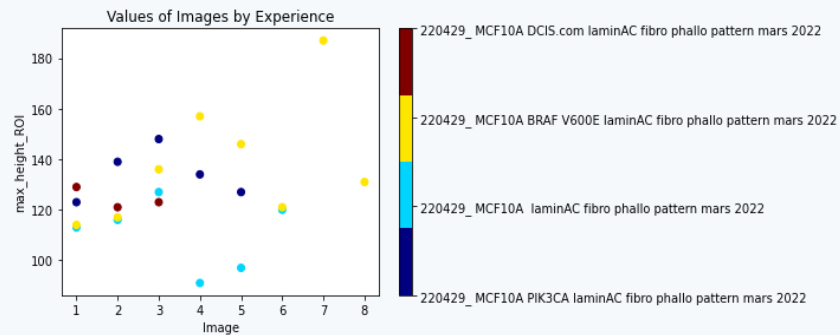
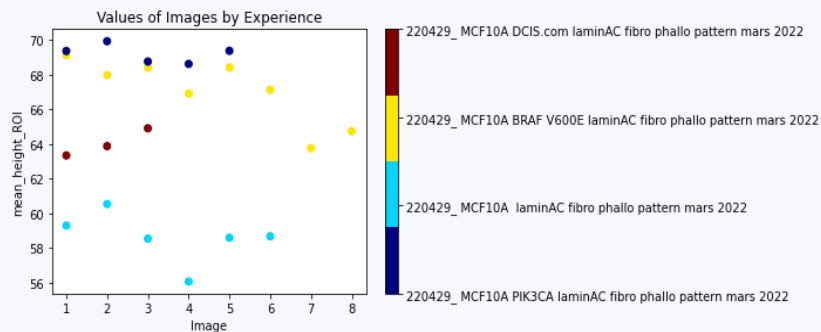
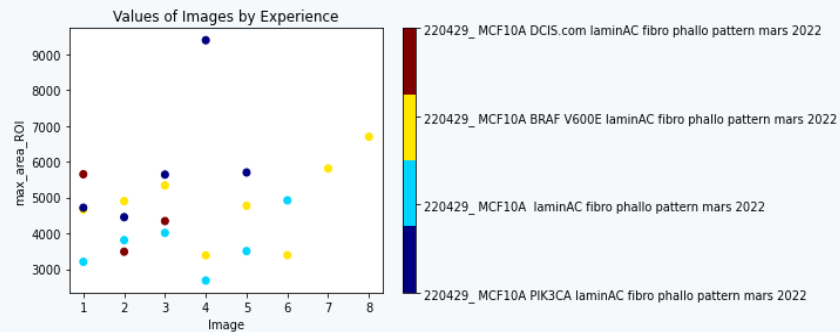
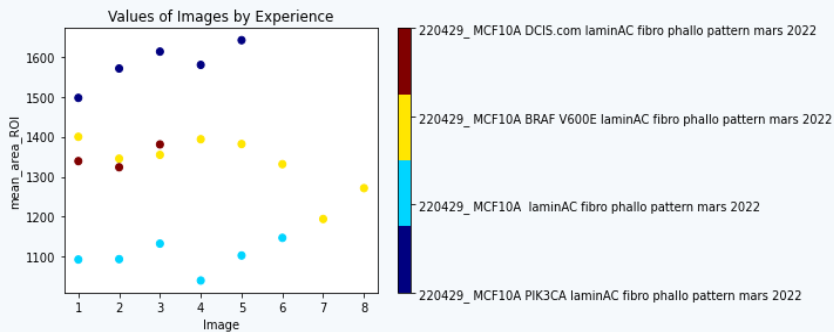
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Segmentation

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III. Methods : Segmentation (5/5)

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Fine tune a Cellpose model

Segmentation Masks

Crop Cell patches

Control cell



PIK3CA mutant



Method 2 : Crop + Padd

- Crop or pad the cell image while preserving its original size.
- + Take into account the real size of the cell as a feature
- Limited choice of the target shape

+ Eliminate background

III. Methods : Cells clustering (1/3)

Cells clustering

VAE

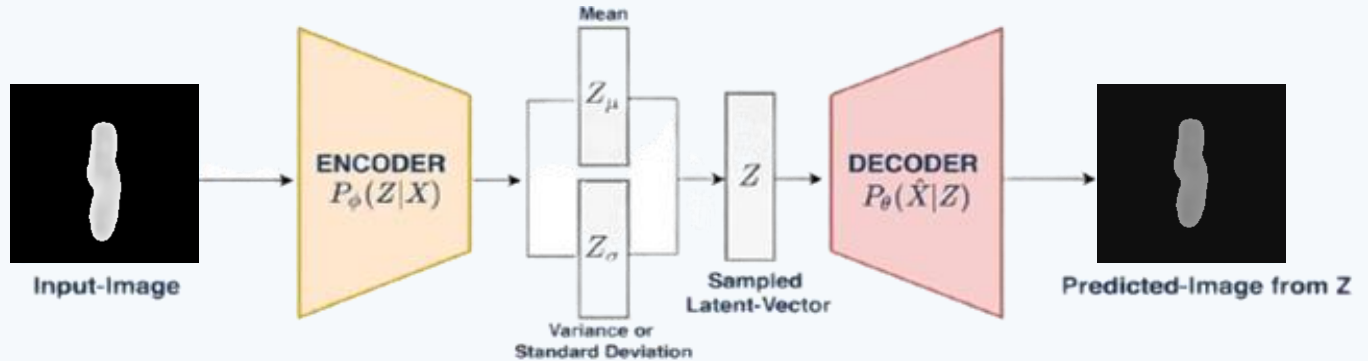
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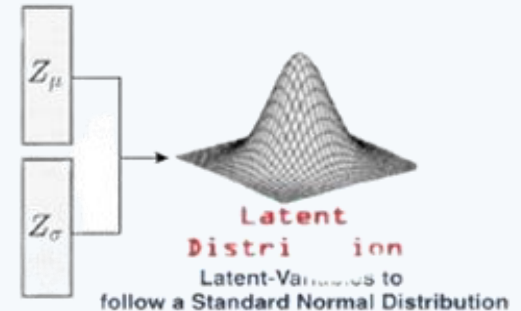
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$$Loss = L(x, \hat{x}) + \beta KL(q(z|x) || p(z))$$

Sample a point from $G(Z_\mu, Z_\sigma)$

$$Z = \mu + \sigma \odot \epsilon$$
$$\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

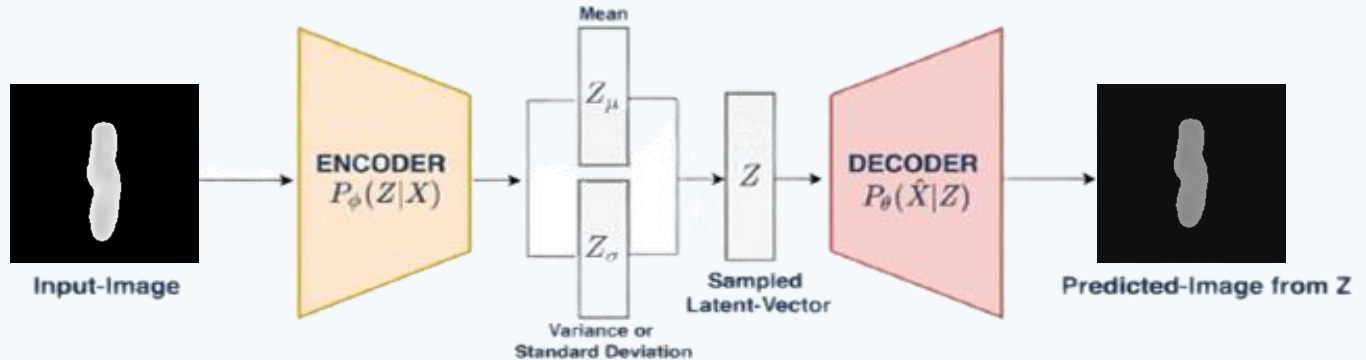


III. Methods : Cells clustering (2/3)

Cells clustering

VAE

cVAE



$$Loss = L(x, \hat{x}) + \beta KL(q(z|x) || p(z))$$

$L(x, \hat{x})$: Reconstruction loss (MSE , BCE ...)

$KL(q(z|x) || p(z))$: Kullback–Leibler divergence

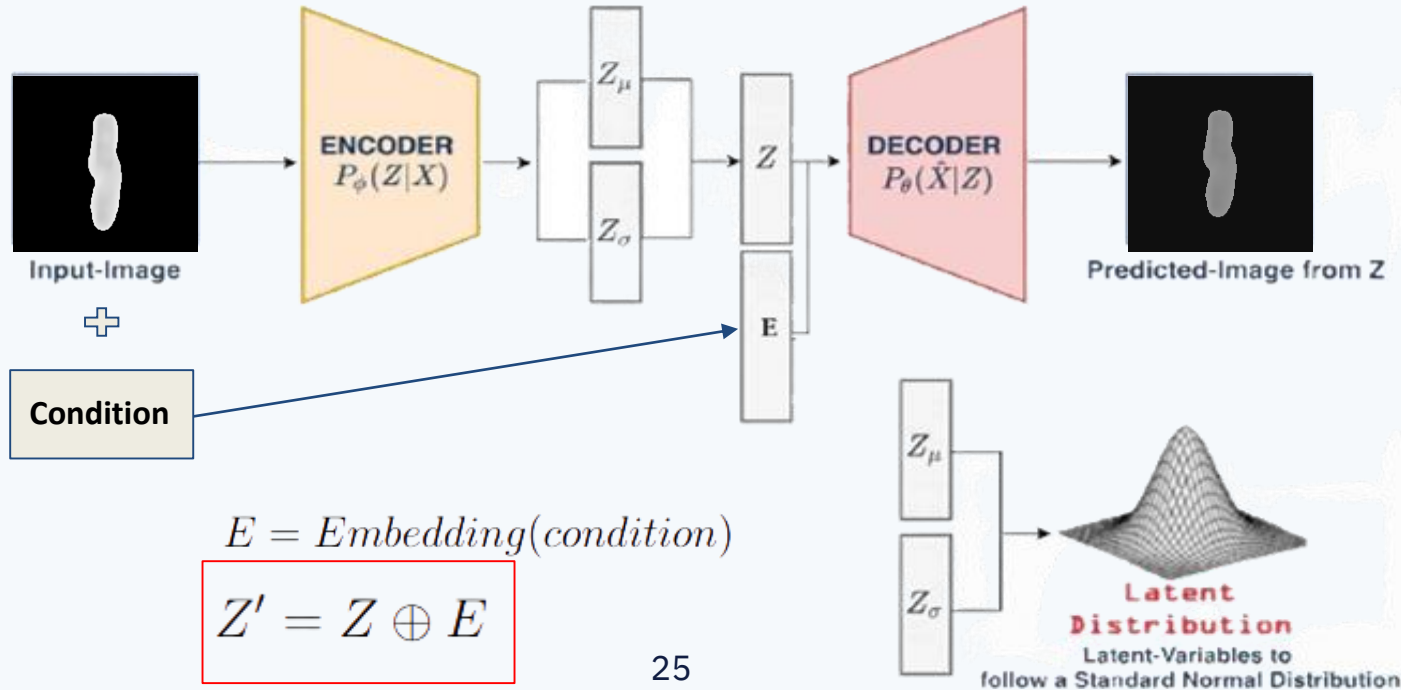
$p(z) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

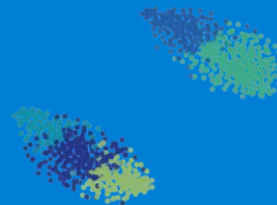
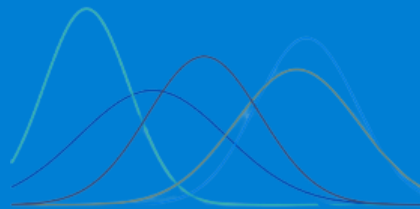
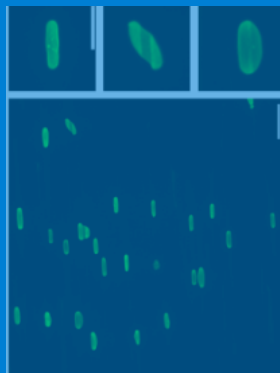
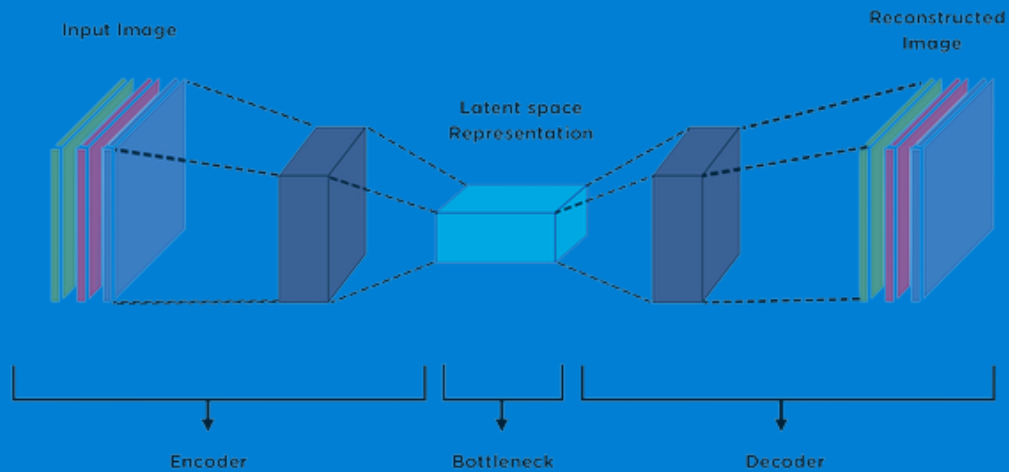
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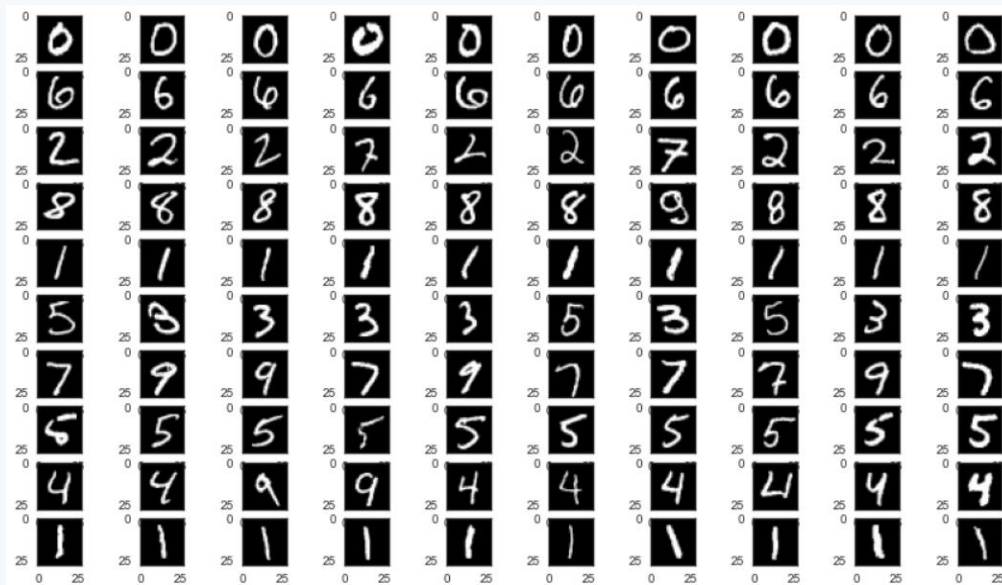
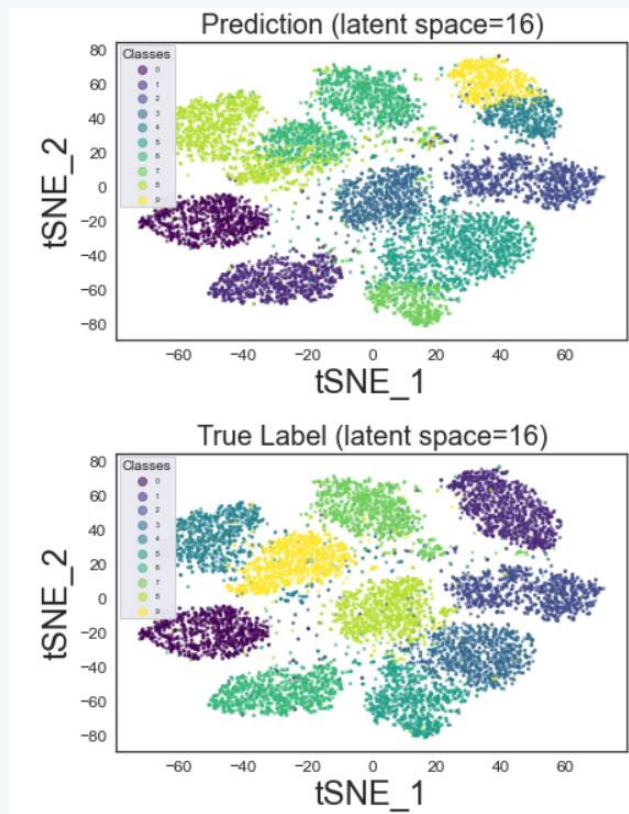


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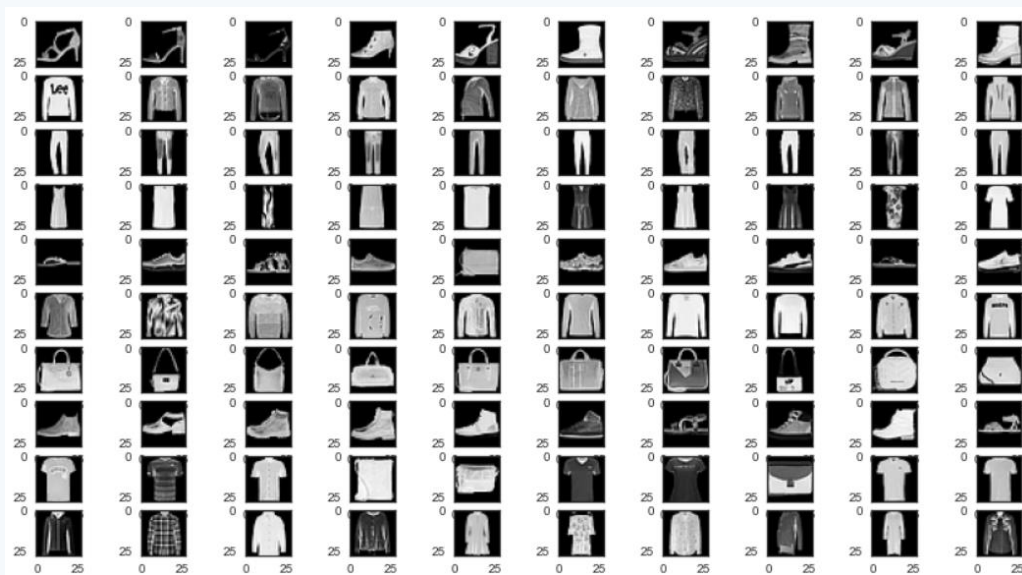
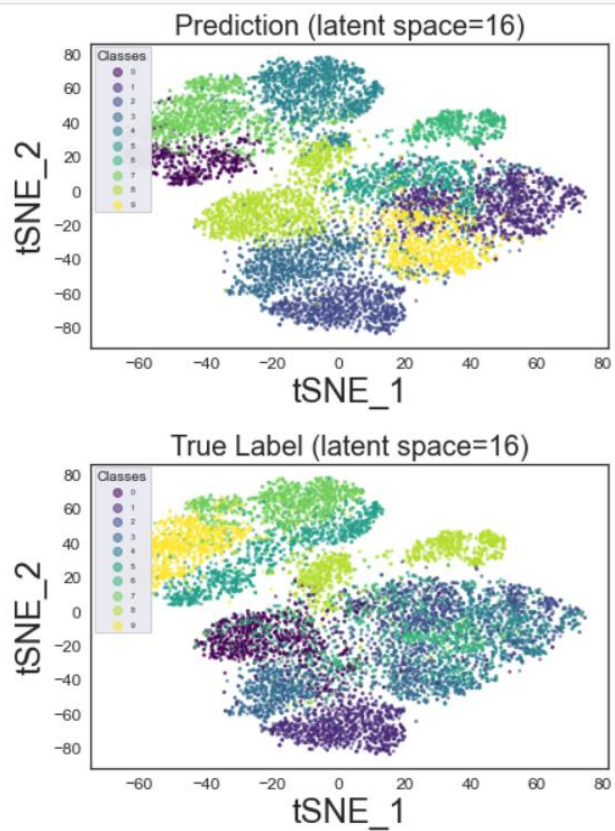
- Comparison of VAE and cVAE performances on MNIST and FashionMNIST clustering
- The role of beta parameter
- Evaluation of cells clustering and limitation of the conventional models

IV. Results & Discussions: VAE on MNIST and Fashion MNIST (1/2)



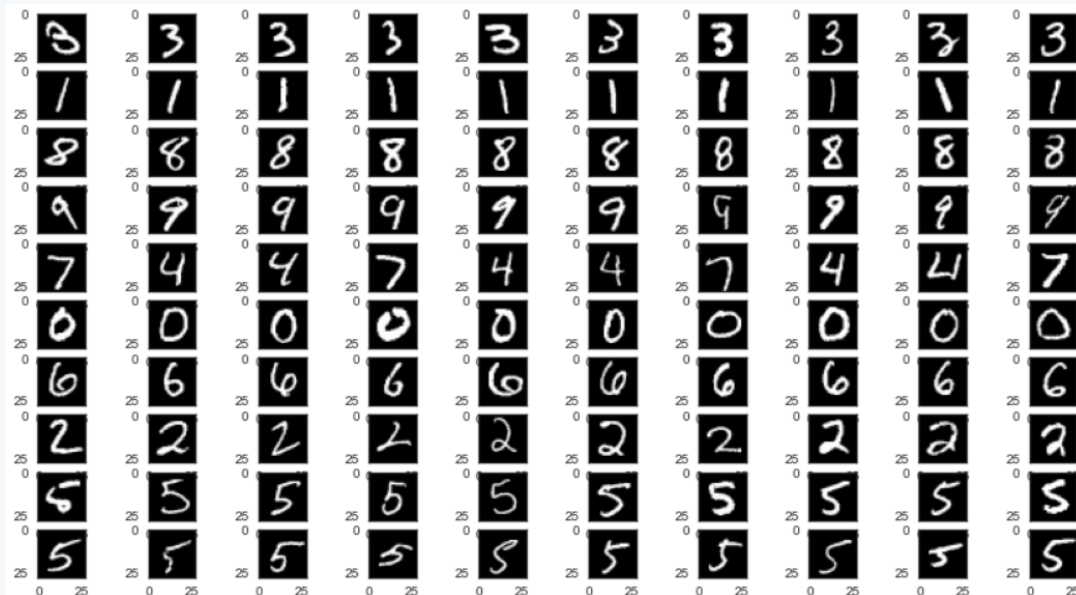
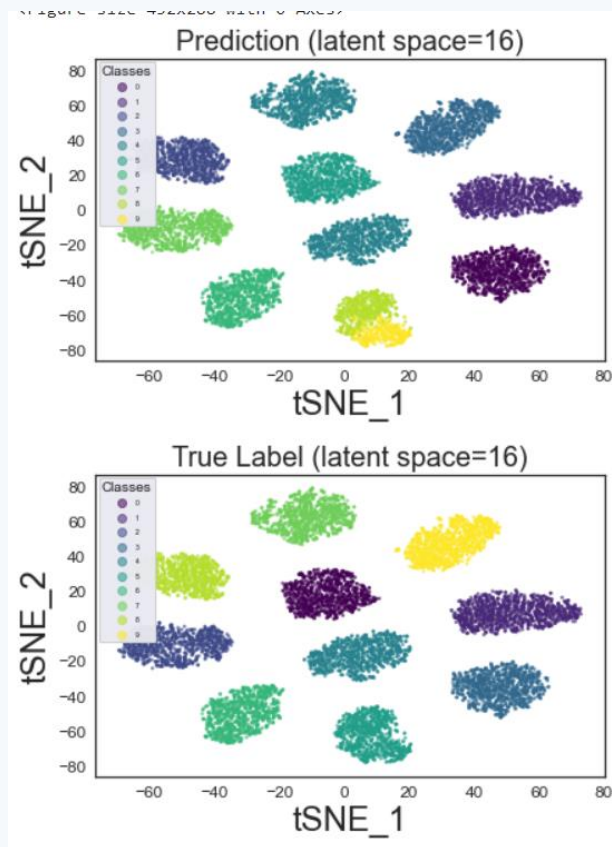
Dataset_Z_latentDim	Accuracy	Silhouette	DB	CH
Mnist_Z_16	0.811	0.0773455	2.44891	429.722
Mnist_Z_32	0.8167	0.0368477	3.84555	174.857

IV. Results & Discussions: VAE on MNIST and Fashion MNIST (2/2)



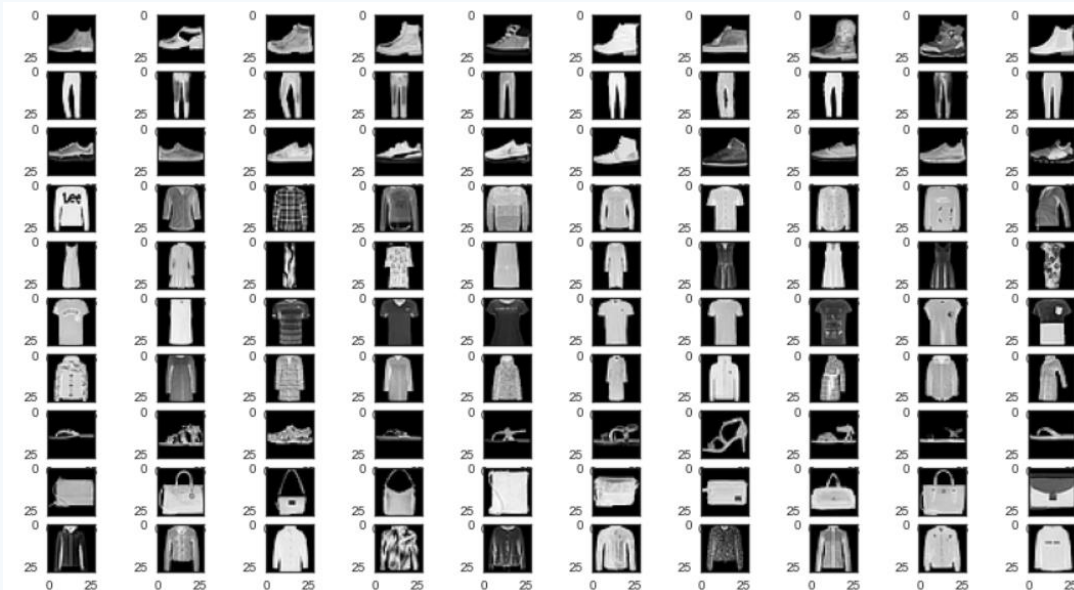
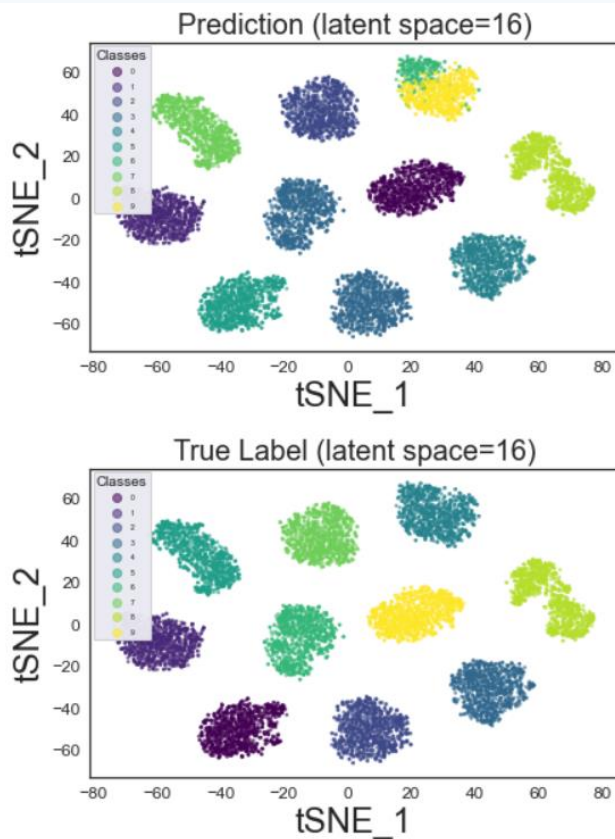
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FashionMnist_Z_16	0.5848	0.0628801	2.91779	399.27
FashionMnist_Z_32	0.5934	0.0277953	4.66206	172.193

IV. Results & Discussions: cVAE on MNIST and Fashion MNIST (1/2)



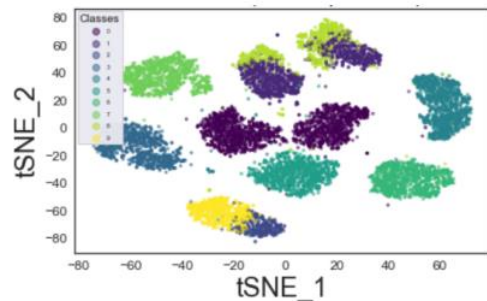
Dataset_Z_latentDim	Accuracy	Silhouette	DB	CH
Mnist_Z_16	0.9018	0.251985	1.8037	1107.44
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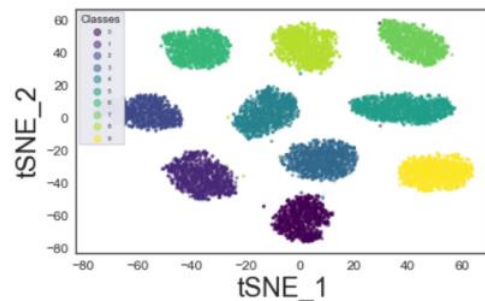


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FashionMnist_Z_16	0.9	0.209225	2.02346	944.545
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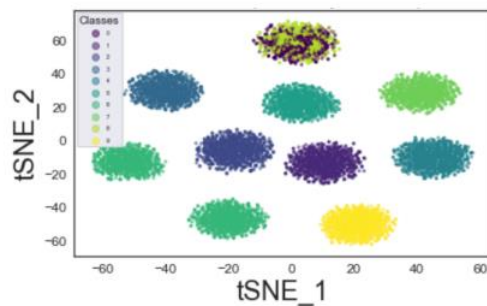
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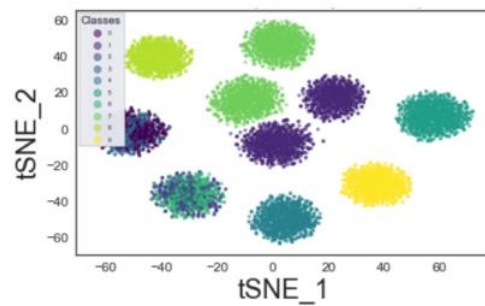
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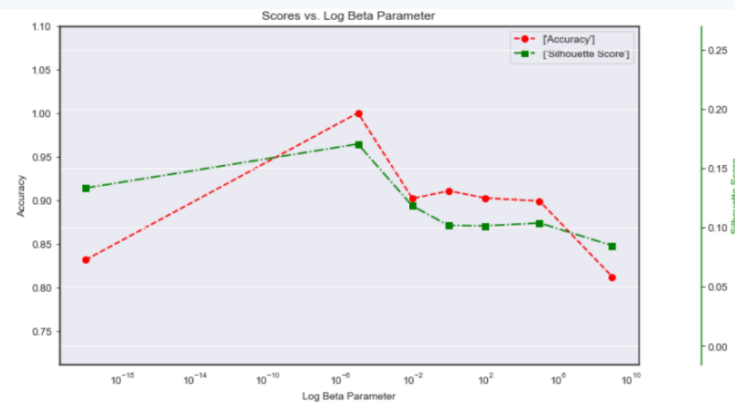
$\beta = 10^{-5}$



$\beta = 1$

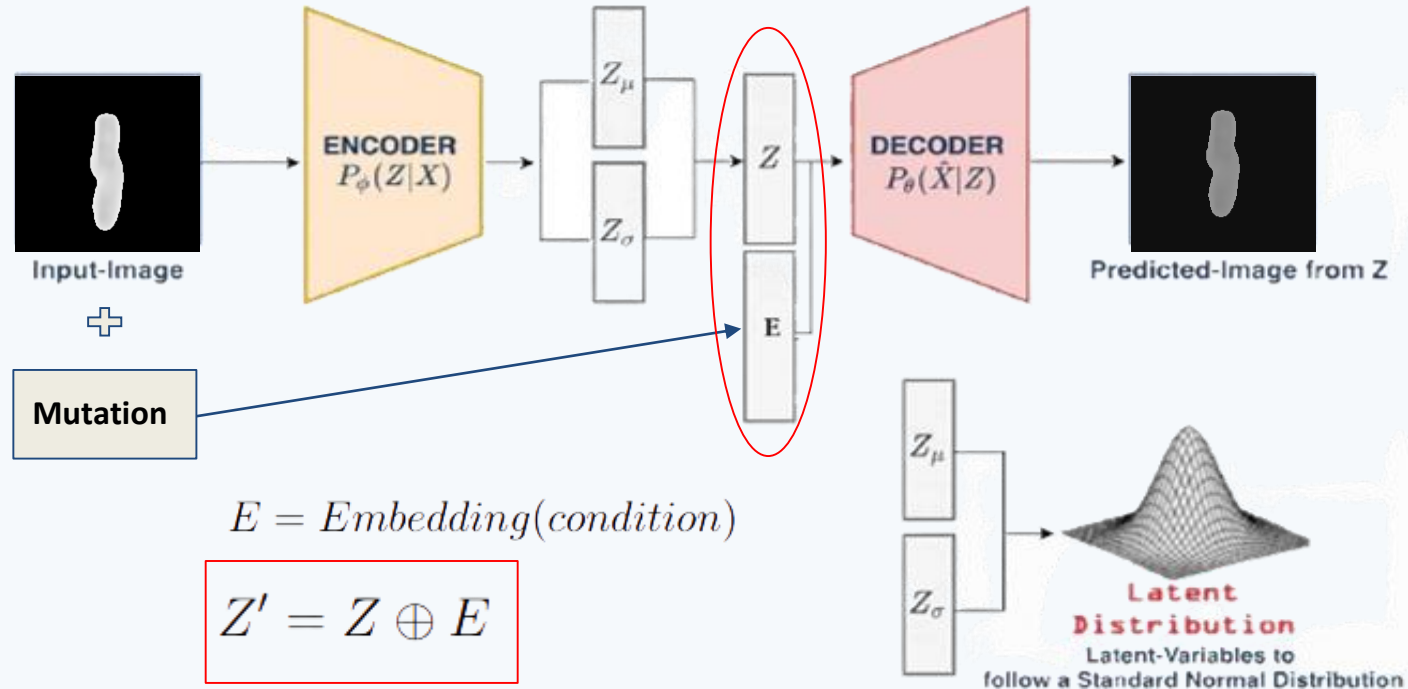


$\beta = 10^9$

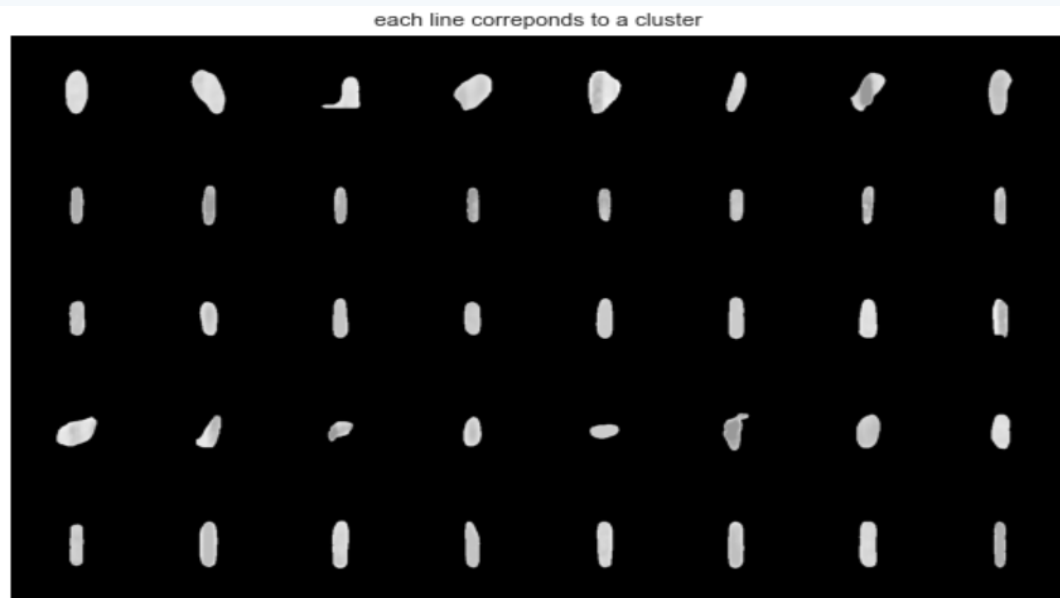
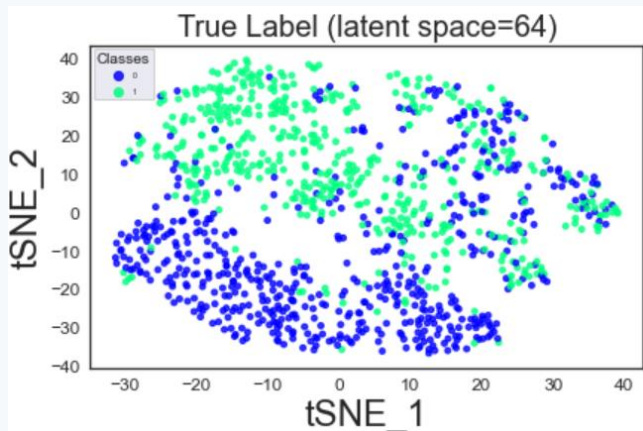
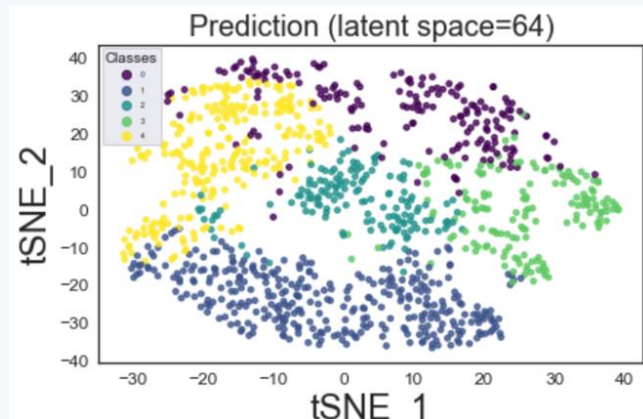


Accuracy and Silhouettes scores vs β for Mnist

IV. Results & Discussions: cVAE for cells clustering (1/3)



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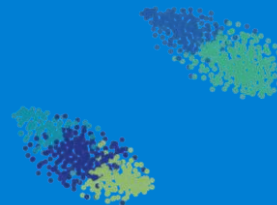
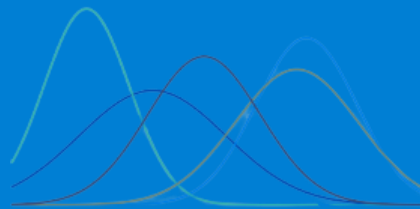
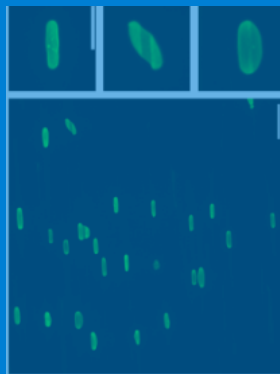
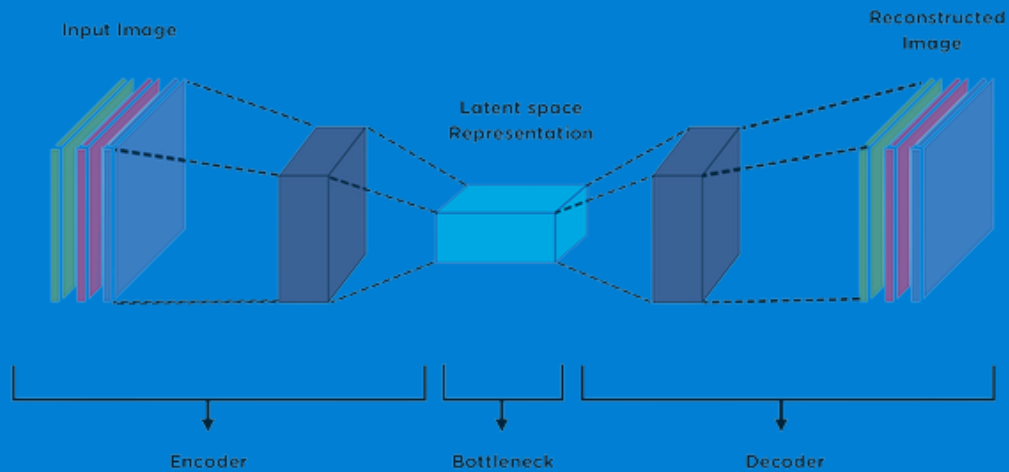


Label	Number of Cells	% Occurrences of Wild Cells	% Occurrences of Mutation Cells
0	177	36.72%	63.28%
1	347	90.20%	9.80%
2	152	28.29%	71.71%
3	159	50.31%	49.69%
4	235	25.11%	74.89%

Number of clusters	Silhouette score	Davies-Bouldin Index	Calinski-Harabasz Index
4	0.1922	1.8014	232.8991
5	0.1588	1.8083	212.1467

IV. Results & Discussions: cVAE for cells clustering (3/3)

- Divergence of the Kullback-Leibler loss in the training
- Overlap of control and mutation cells at some clusters that are very close in terms of deformation / shape
- + A statistical inference of the current results shows potential features for the cancerous cells developed in the case of mutations



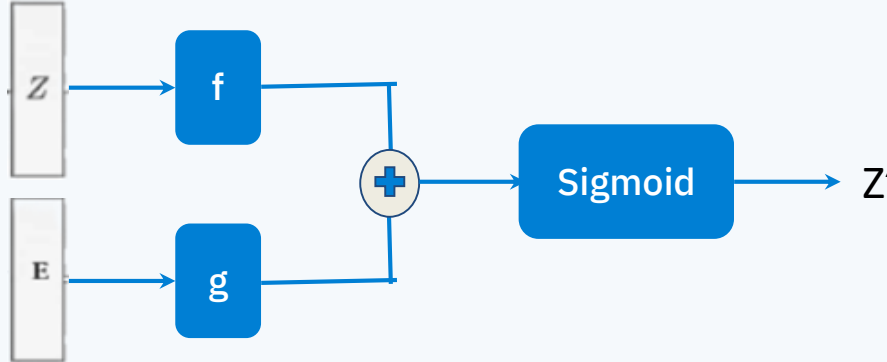
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V. Refinement of the architecture (1/4)

- Divergence of the Kullback-Leibler loss in the training :

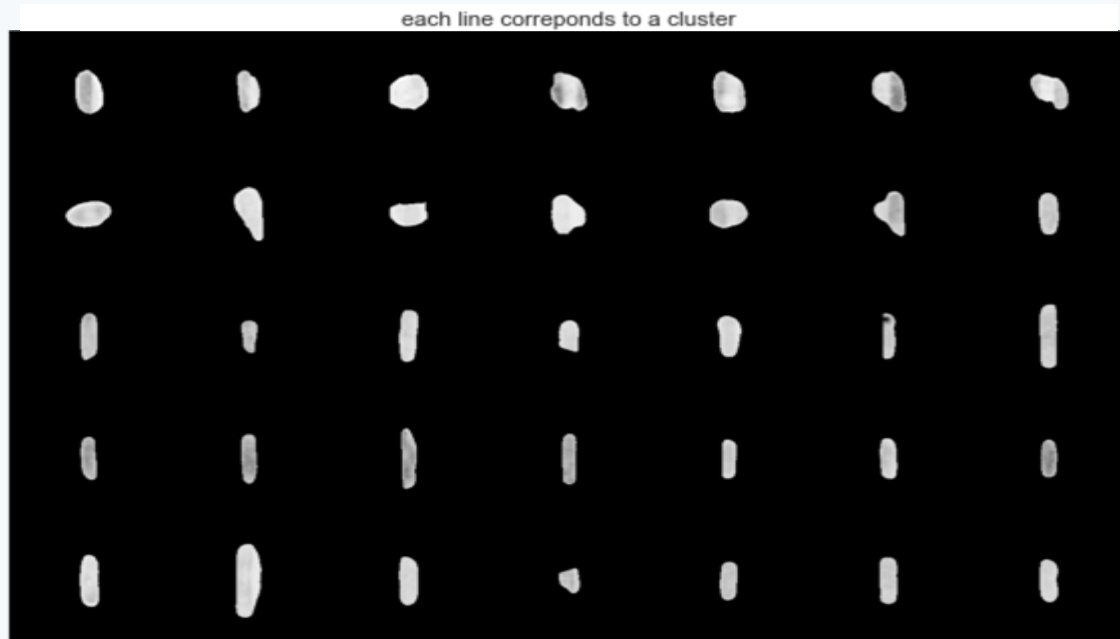
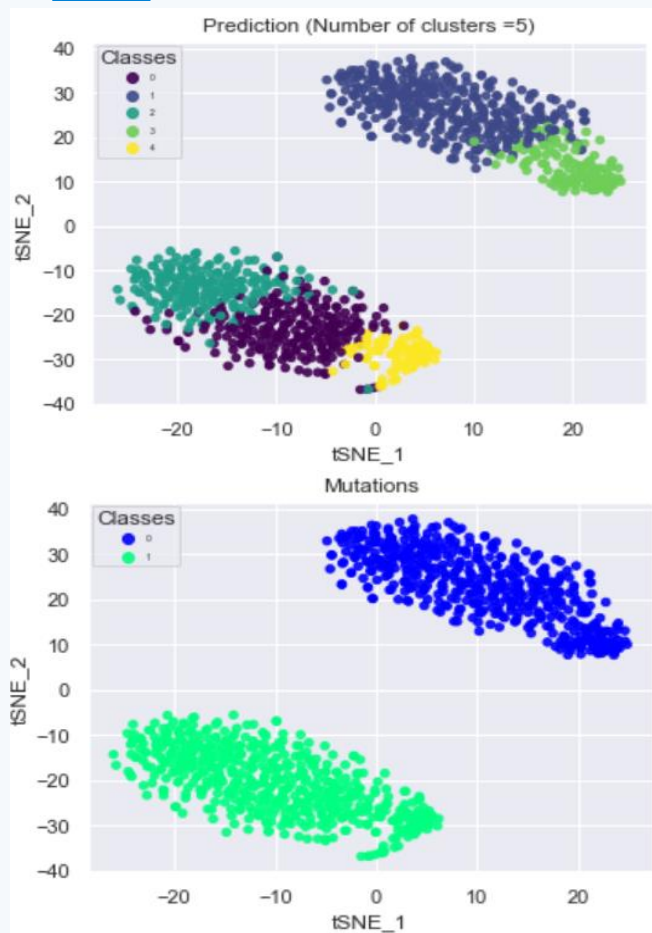
$$Z' = Z \oplus E$$

-> Refine the architecture so that the latent space becomes more "flexible" in order to resemble a Gaussian distribution.



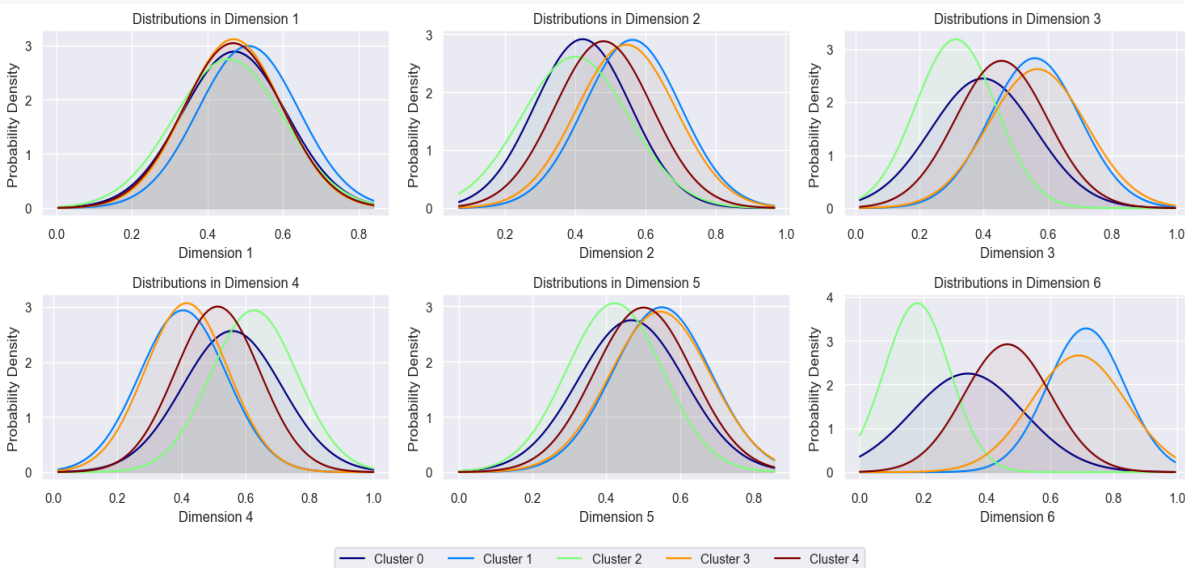
$$Z' = \text{Sig}(f(Z) \oplus g(E))$$

V. Refinement of the architecture (2/4)

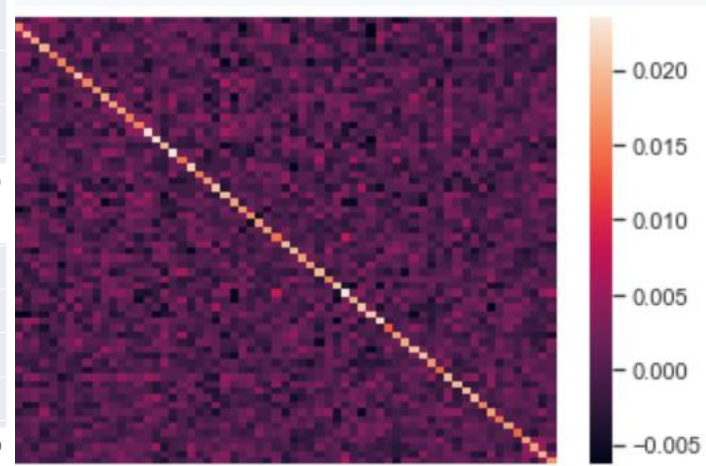


7 Samples of each cluster

V. Refinement of the architecture (3/4)



Distribution of the clusters at 6 dimensions of the latent space



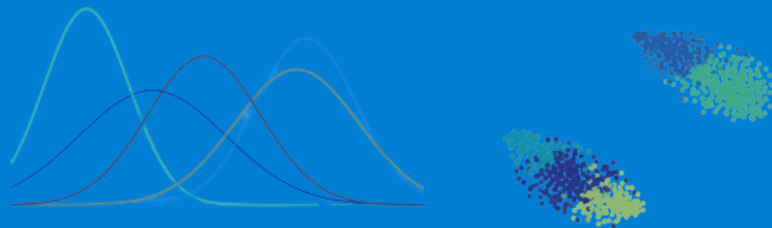
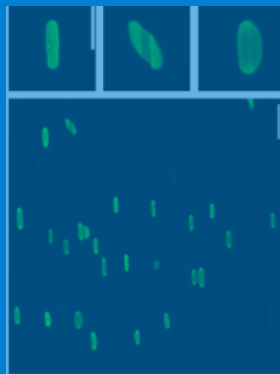
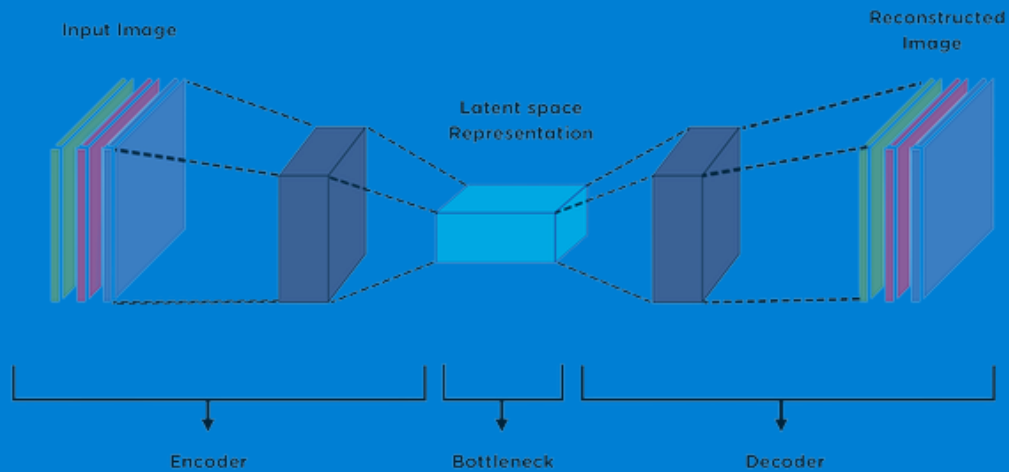
Correlation matrix of the cluster1 with the others at each of Latent space dimensions

V. Refinement of the architecture (4/4)

- Alpha is an architectural Hyperparameter.
- It controls the contribution of Z and E to the final latent space Z'

Alpha	nbclusters	Silhouette	DB	CH
16	5	0.394324	0.820397	4109
16	7	0.301135	0.961042	3552.71
8	5	0.424161	0.785045	3869.34
8	7	0.274534	1.10468	3167.72

The dimension of $g(E)$ is $\frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot \text{latent_dim}$ The dimension of $f(Z)$ is $\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha} \cdot \text{latent_dim}$



Conclusion & Perspective

Conclusion & Perspective (1/2)

Summary

- Enhanced and preprocessed data
- Fine-tuned models of Cellpose for MCF10A cells
- Build different Variational Autoencoder architectures for cell clustering
- Deployed models and documented code on github repository



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Conclusion & Perspective (2/2)

Challenges

- Defining the preprocessing methods for a rich data
- Using cellpose GUI (GPU needed)
- Plenty hyperparameters to fine-tune
- Optimizing the code for future uses

Perspective

- End-to-end pipeline
- Study the correlations of the dynamic aspects of each cluster

Thank you for your attention

