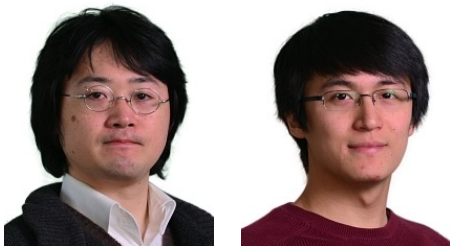


AutoVAE: Mismatched Variational Autoencoder with Irregular Posterior-Prior Pairing

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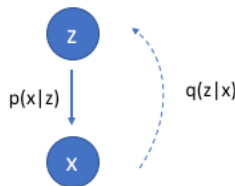
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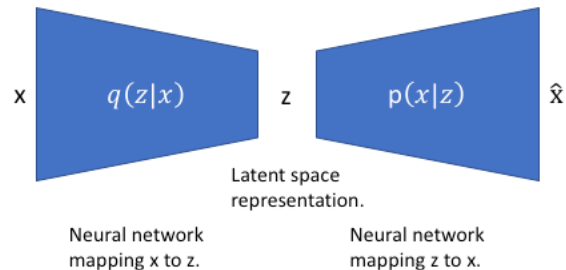
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- Trends of generative artificial intelligence (AI)
- Bayesian inference
 - Variational auto-encoder (VAE)
 - Dimensionality reduction
 - Probabilistic generative model
- Generalized variational inference (GVI)
 - Posterior-prior-likelihood beliefs
 - Discrepancy measure: divergence
 - Mismatched irregular pairing
 - **Automated VAE: AutoVAE**
- Experiments
- Summary



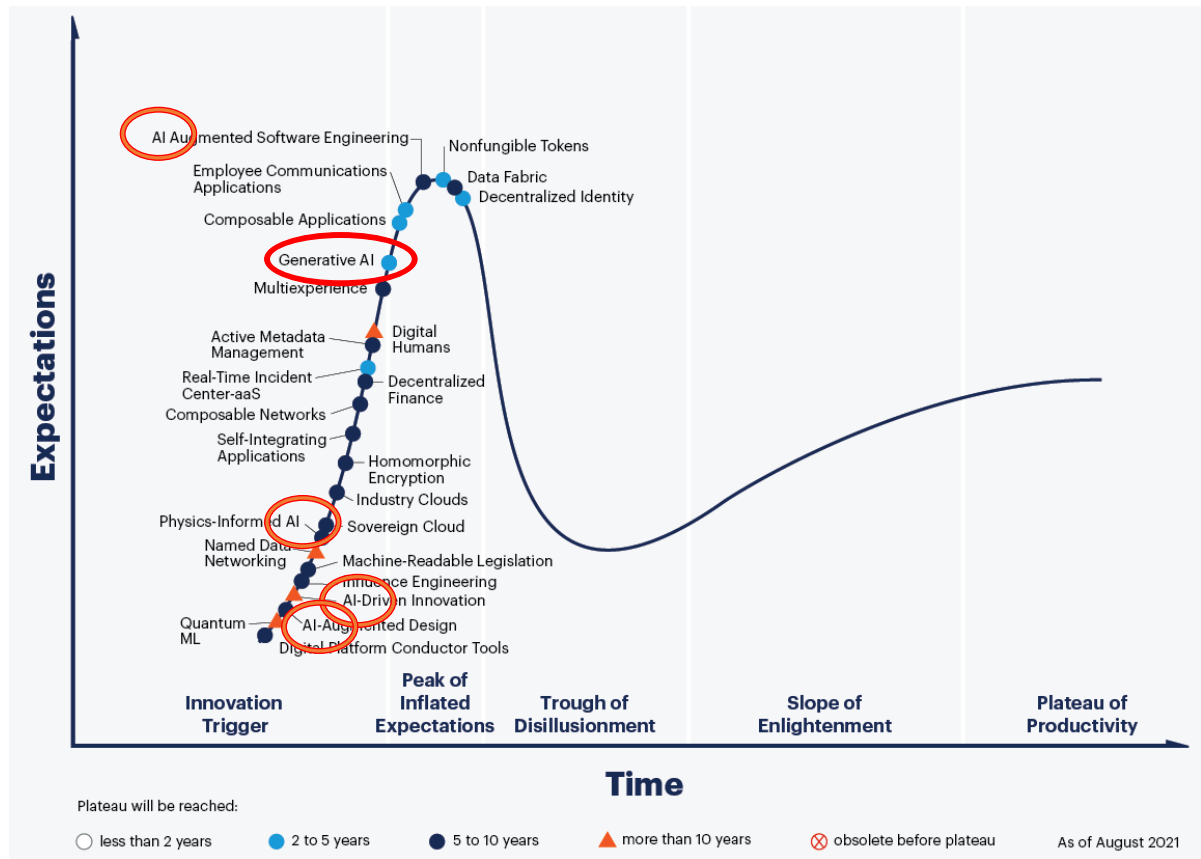
We'd like to use our observations to understand the hidden variable.



How to select stochastic model?

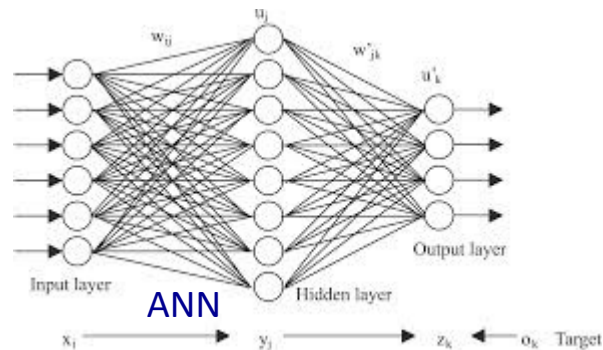
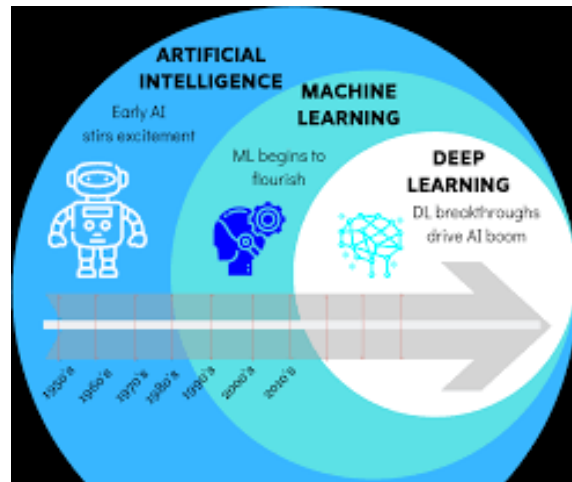
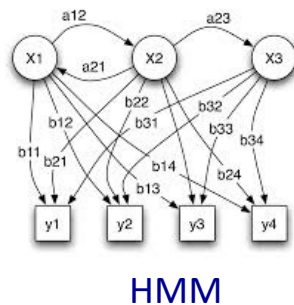
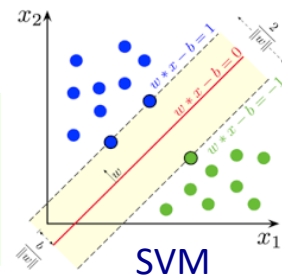
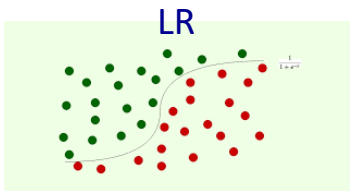
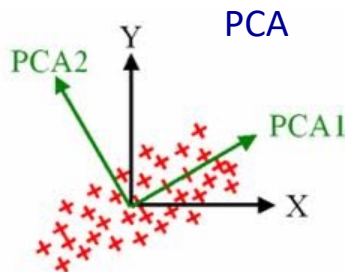
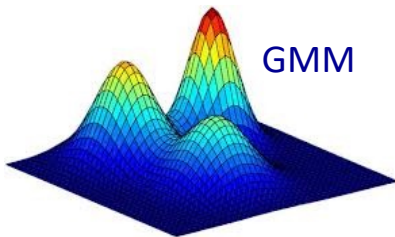
Emerging Technologies

- Gartner's Hype Cycle for Emerging Technologies (2021 August): AI, **Generative AI**



Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- K-means
- Gaussian mixture model (GMM)
- Principal component analysis (PCA)
- Independent component analysis (ICA)
- Logistic regression (LR)
- **Support vector machine (SVM)**
- Self-organizing map (SOM)
- Hidden Markov model (HMM)
- Artificial neural networks (ANN)
- **Deep learning (DL)**
- **QML**

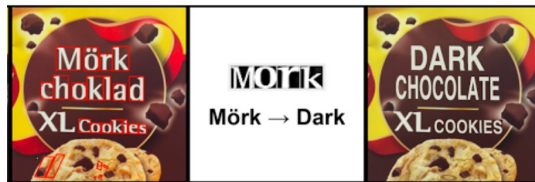
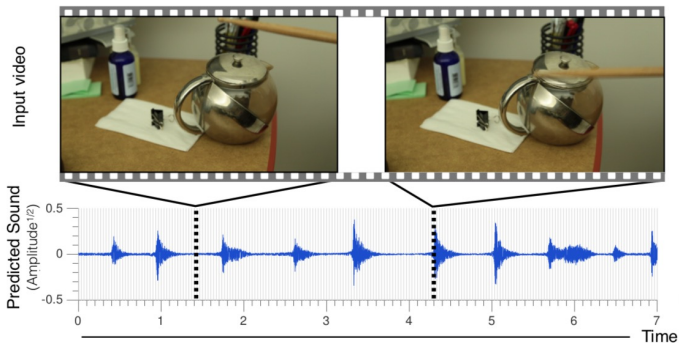


AI for Media Signal Processing

- Audio & Visual Applications



motor scooter	leopard
motor scooter	leopard
go-kart	jaguar
moped	cheetah
bumper car	snow leopard
golfcart	Egyptian cat



"man in black shirt is playing guitar."

AI Surpassing Human-Level Performance

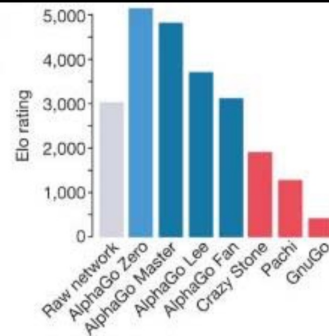
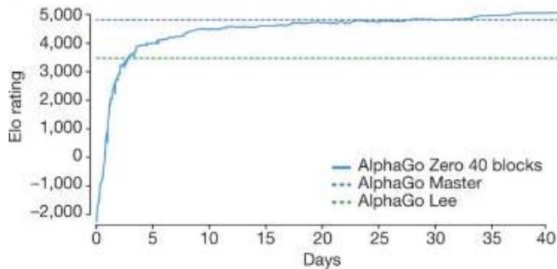
May 11th, 1997
Computer won world champion of chess
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(Reuters = Kyodo News)

DARPA Grand Challenge

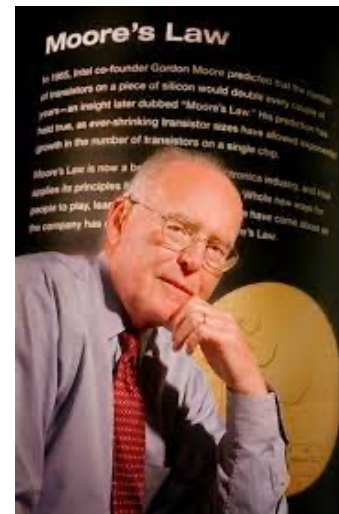
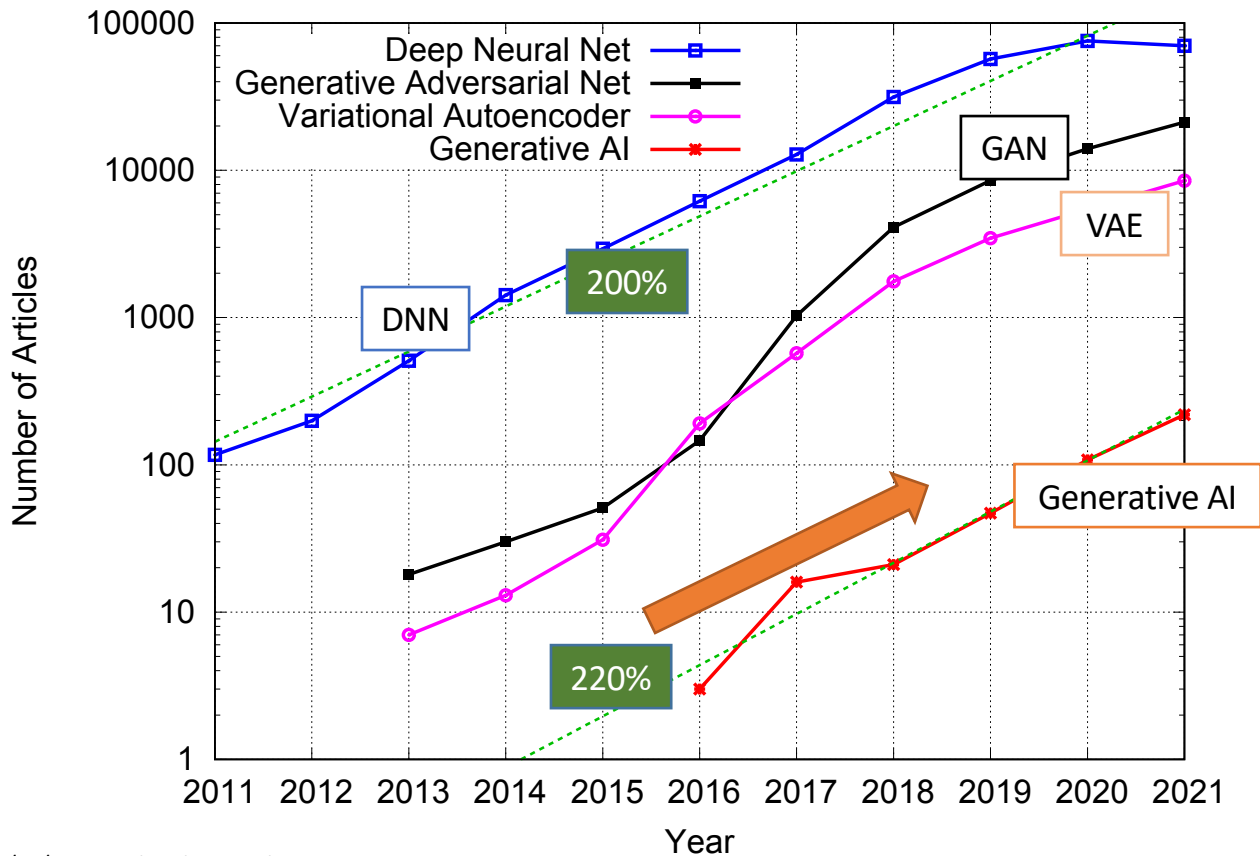
Autonomous Vehicle Races

DGC I Barstow to Pimm March 13, 2004		142 miles 10 hours \$1M
DGC II Desert Classic October 8, 2005		132 miles 10 hours \$2M
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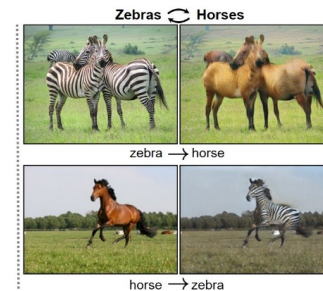
Moore's Law: Exponential Growth

- Number of articles has been doubling every year in Google Scholar: **Generative AI**



Generative AI Model

- Generative Adversarial Networks (GAN) [Goodfellow et al, 2014]
 - Train two **competing** neural networks
 - Generator learns to fake images by trying to fool discriminator
- Denoising diffusion probabilistic model (DDPM) [Ho et al., 2020]
- Variational Auto-Encoder (VAE) [Kingma et al, 2014]



CycleGAN [Zhu et al, 2017]

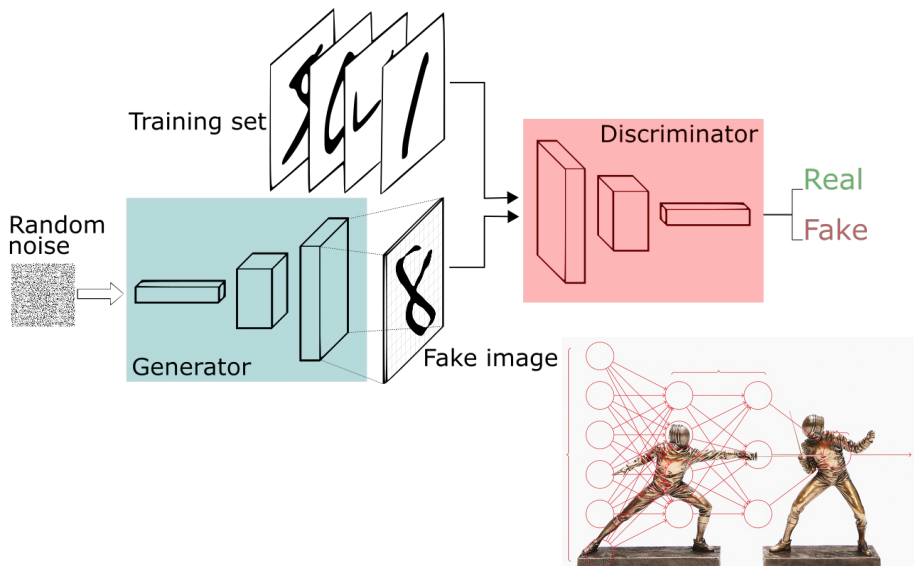
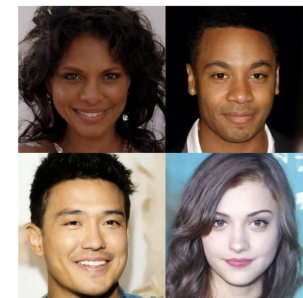


Photo-realistic face picture synthesis [Karras et al, 2018]



DDPM [Ho et al, 2020]

Variational Autoencoder (VAE)

- Encoder (Inference model)

$$Z \sim q_{\theta}(z|x)$$

- Decoder (Generative model)

$$X' \sim p_{\phi}(x|z)$$

- Evidence lower-bound (ELBO)

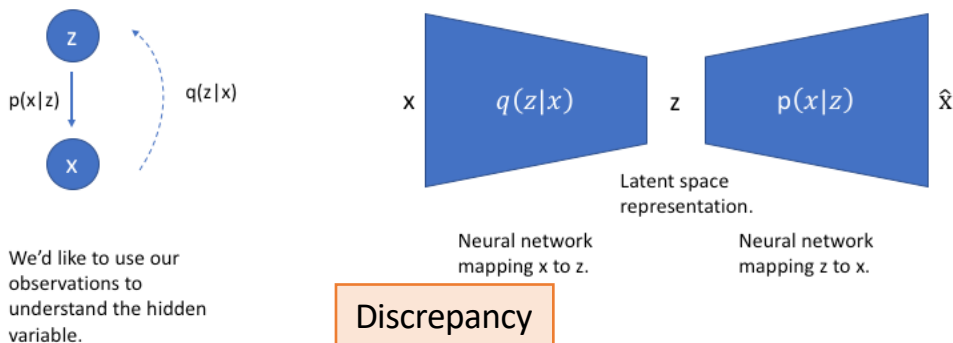
$$\log \Pr(\mathbf{x}) = \log \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x})} \left[\frac{p_{\psi}(\mathbf{x}|z)\pi(z)}{q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x})} \right] \geq \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x})} \left[\log p_{\psi}(\mathbf{x}|z) \right] - D_{\text{KL}}(q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x}) \parallel \pi(z))$$

Likelihood

Posterior

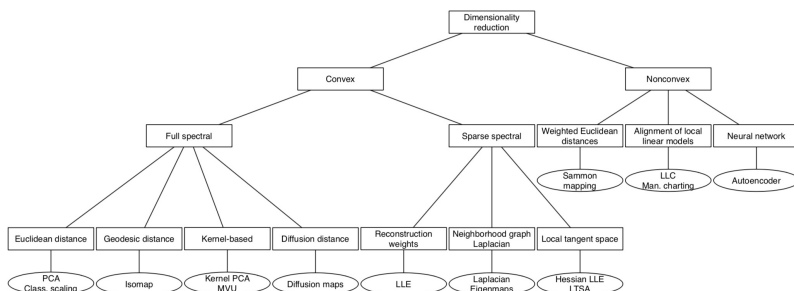
Prior

Discrepancy



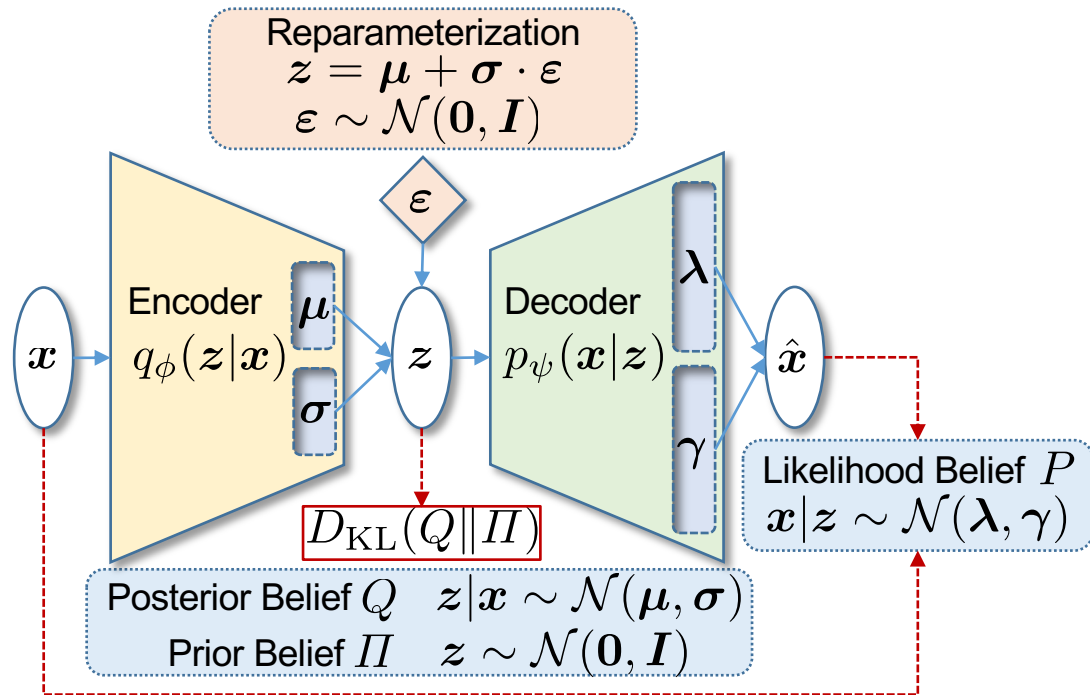
- VAE has been used in a myriad of applications:

- Generative model
- Bayesian inference
- Dimensionality reduction
- ...



Standard VAE

- Typically, posterior distribution uses the same member of prior distribution family
 - Typical choice:
 - Normal prior $N(0,1)$ and normal posterior $N(\mu, \sigma)$
 - Unspecified normal likelihood \rightarrow mean-square error (MSE)
 - Bernoulli likelihood \rightarrow binary cross entropy (BCE)
- What if we use mismatched posterior-prior pair?



$$\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x})} [\log p_\psi(\mathbf{x}|z)] - D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x}) \parallel \pi(z))$$

- Typical setting

$$\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x})} [\log p_\psi(\mathbf{x}|z)] - D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x}) \parallel \pi(z))$$

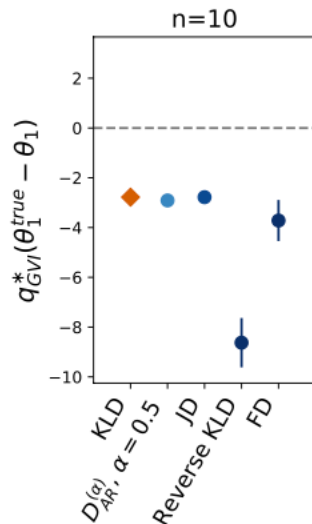
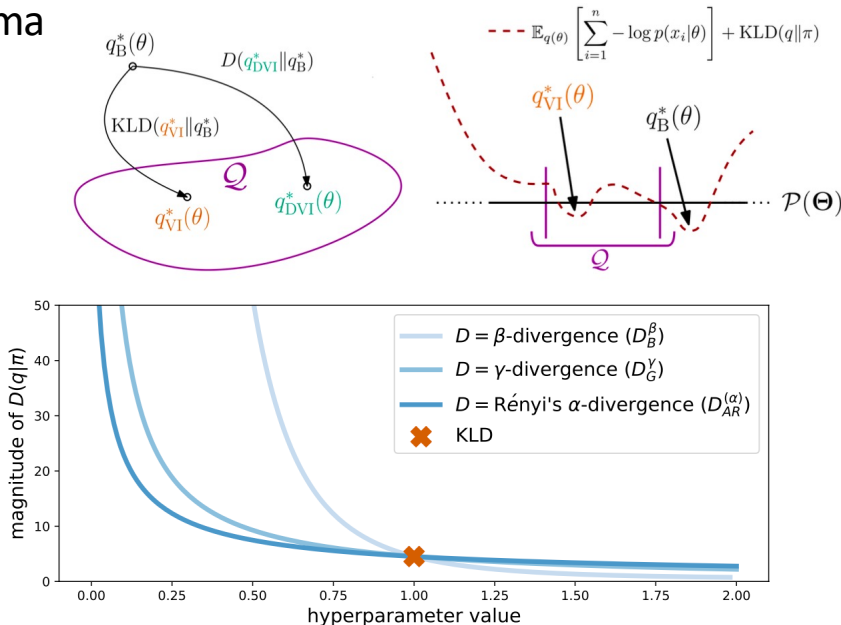
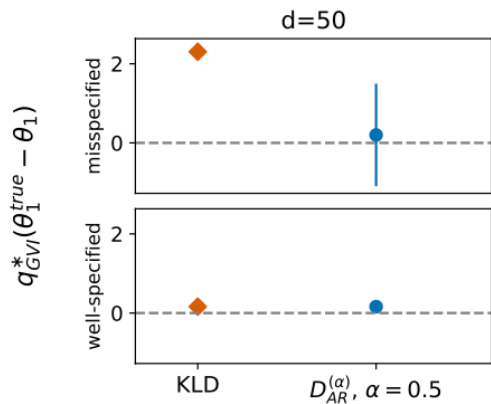
Likelihood
Posterior
Prior

Method	Likelihood	Discrepancy	Posterior	Prior
Standard VAE [1, 2]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	KLD	\mathcal{N}	\mathcal{N}
β -VAE [3]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	$\beta \times \text{KLD}$	\mathcal{N}	\mathcal{N}
\mathcal{CB} -VAE [4]	\mathcal{CB}	KLD	\mathcal{N}	\mathcal{N}
Sparse-VAE [5]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	KLD	$\mathcal{L}_a, \mathcal{C}$	$\mathcal{L}_a, \mathcal{C}$
IAF-VI [6]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	KLD	IAF- \mathcal{N}	\mathcal{N}
IWAE [7]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	KLD	IW- \mathcal{N} [8]	\mathcal{N}
Rényi-VAE [10]	\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{N}	D_α	IW- \mathcal{N}	\mathcal{N}
Gibbs VI [9]	Any	KLD	Gibbs	\mathcal{N}
Generalized VI [11]	Any	Any	Any	Any
Ours Mismatched VAE	\mathcal{P}	D_α	$Q \neq \Pi$	Π
AutoVAE	\mathcal{P}	\mathcal{D}	\mathcal{Q}	Π

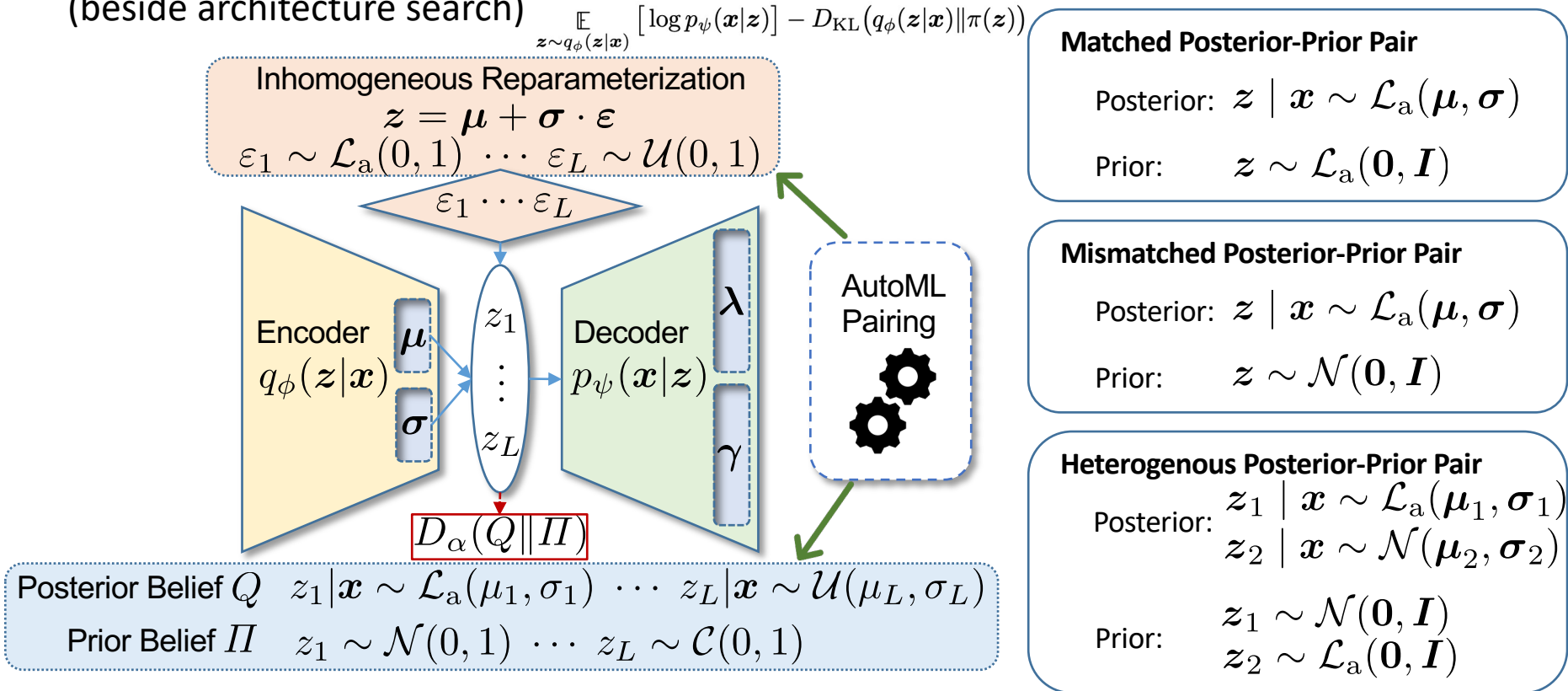
Generalized VI

- Standard VAE is optimal if posterior/prior/likelihood beliefs are well specified
- However, real-world data do not follow specified beliefs in general
- Standard ELBO and KLD are no longer optimal for mis-specified posterior/prior/likelihood
- GVI [11] compared various discrepancy measures:

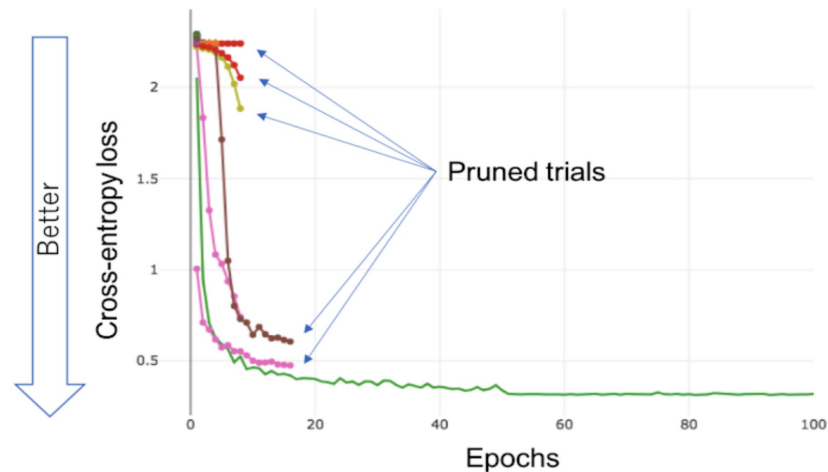
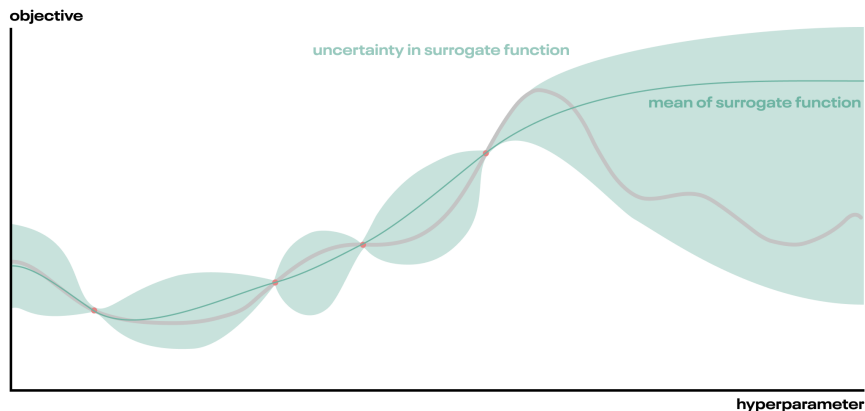
- Renyi-alpha, beta, gamma
- Jeffrey
- Fisher
- ...



- Automated machine learning (**AutoML**) for irregular mismatched posterior-prior pairing (beside architecture search)



- We propose to use **AutoML** framework to automate posterior-prior pairing
- We use Optuna
 - Sampler: CMA-ES, TPE (Bayesian Optimization), ...
 - Pruner: Hyperband, Median, Successive Halving
 - Analysis: functional analysis of variance (fANOVA)
 - Interface: compatible to Pytorch, SK-learn, etc.
 - Parallelization: SQL-based data sharing
 - Multi-objective optimization



Reparameterization Trick: Location-Scale Family (LSF)

- Choice of posterior beliefs should allow differentiable **reparameterization trick**

$$Z = \mu + \sigma \cdot \varepsilon$$

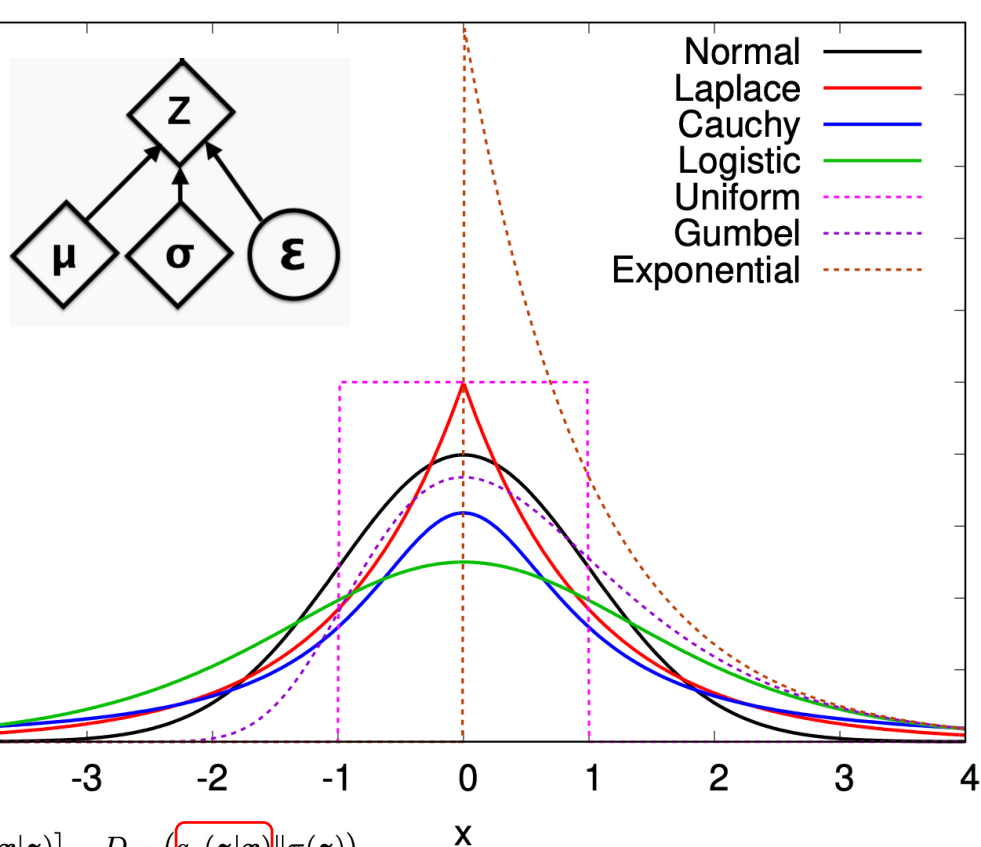
- LSF** is a natural candidate

- Normal
- Laplace
- Cauchy
- Logistic
- Uniform
- Gumbel
- Exponential (scale family)
- ...

$$\varepsilon \sim \text{LSF}(0, 1)$$



$$Z \sim \text{LSF}(\mu, \sigma)$$

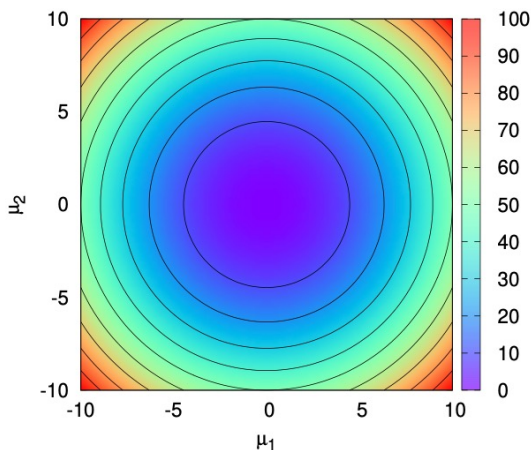


$$\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x})} [\log p_\psi(\mathbf{x}|z)] - D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(z|\mathbf{x}) \parallel \pi(z))$$

KLD Expression

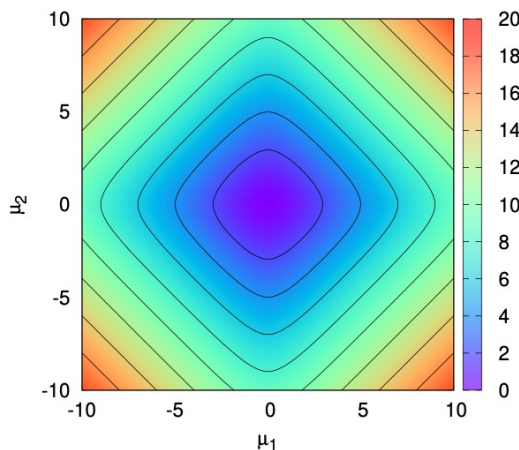
- For choice of prior beliefs, KLD should be computed efficiently (closed-form expression)
- c.f) 2D landscape of KLD for matched normal, Laplace and Cauchy beliefs

$$D_{\text{KL}}(Q\|\Pi) = \mathbb{E}_{z\sim Q} \left[\log \left(\frac{Q(z)}{\Pi(z)} \right) \right]$$



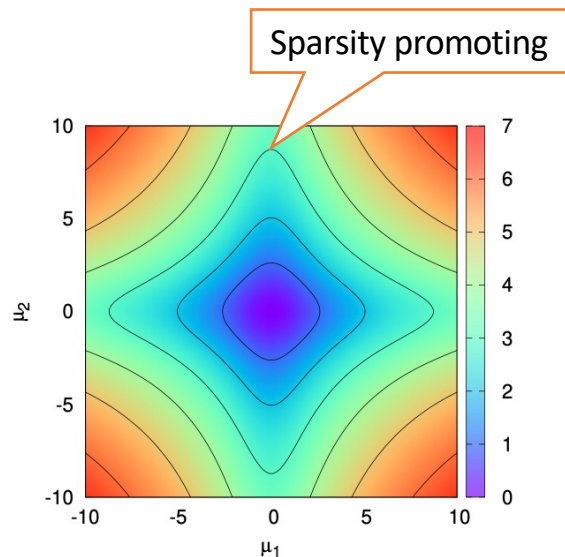
(a) Normal-Normal

$$\min_{\sigma} D_{\text{KL}}(\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma) \|\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, I))$$



(b) Laplace-Laplace

$$\min_{\sigma} D_{\text{KL}}(\mathcal{L}_a(\mu, \sigma) \|\mathcal{L}_a(\mathbf{0}, I))$$



(c) Cauchy-Cauchy

$$\min_{\sigma} D_{\text{KL}}(\mathcal{C}(\mu, \sigma) \|\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{0}, I))$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{z\sim q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x})} [\log p_{\psi}(\mathbf{x}|z)] - D_{\text{KL}}(q_{\phi}(z|\mathbf{x}) \|\pi(z))$$

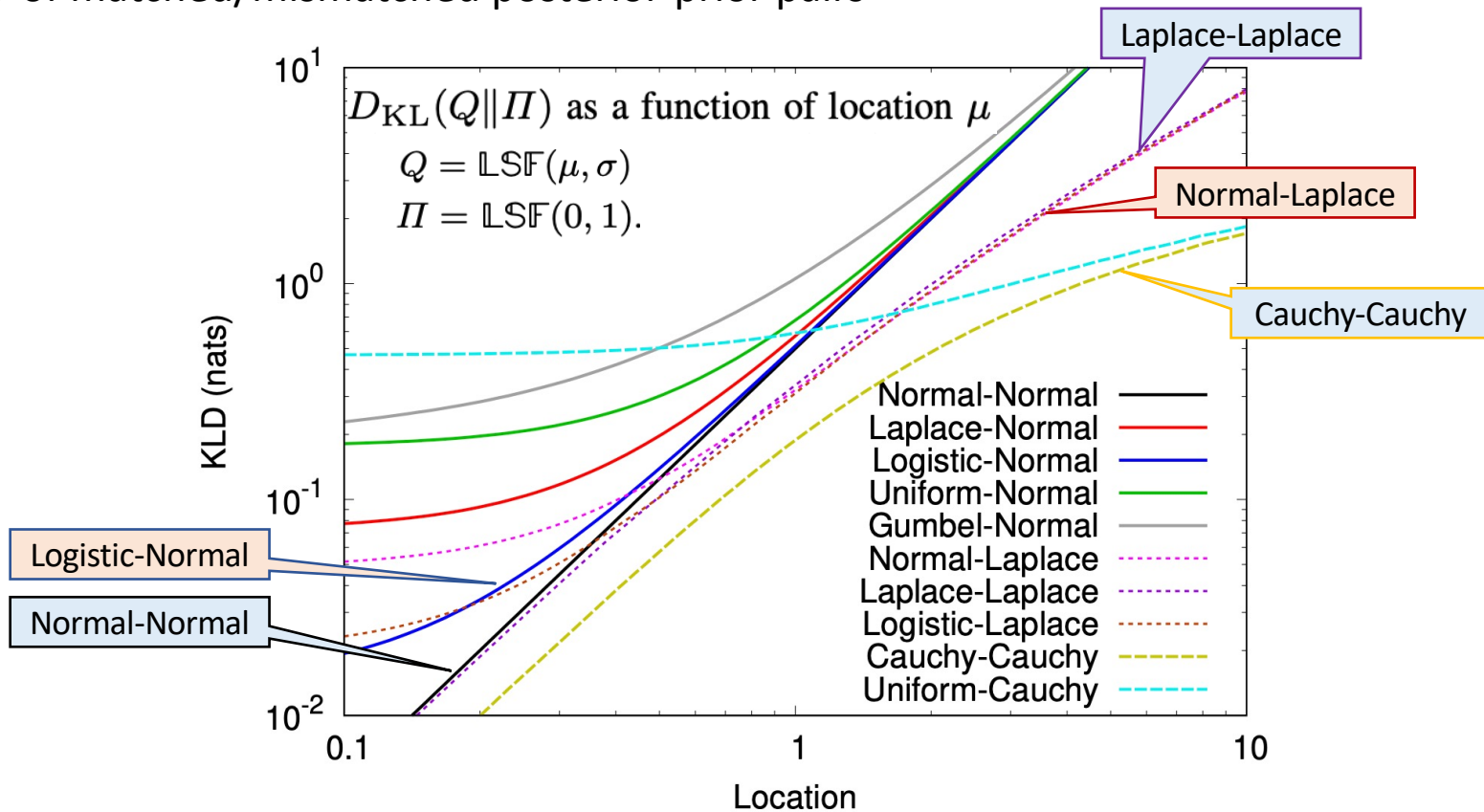
KLD Expression of Matched/Mismatched Pairing

- KLD for 16 posterior-prior pairs (matched and mismatched)

	Posterior Q	Prior Π	KLD $D_{\text{KL}}(Q \Pi)$	
Matched Pairs	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\frac{1}{2}(\mu^2 + \sigma^2 - 1 - \log(\sigma^2))$	Mismatched Pairs
	$\mathcal{L}_a(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\frac{1}{2}\mu^2 + \sigma^2 - 1 - \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{2\sigma^2}{\pi}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{L}_o(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\frac{1}{2}\mu^2 + \frac{\pi^2}{6}\sigma^2 - 2 - \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{U}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\frac{1}{2}\mu^2 + \frac{1}{6}\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{2\sigma^2}{\pi}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{G}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\log\left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma}\right) + \frac{\pi^2\sigma^2}{12} + \frac{(\mu + \sigma\gamma_0)^2}{2} - \gamma_0 - 1$	
	$\mathcal{E}(\sigma)$	$\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	$\sigma^2 - 1 - \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{L}_a(0, 1)$	$\mu \cdot \text{erf}\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}} + \sqrt{\frac{2\sigma^2}{\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{\pi\sigma^2}{2}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{L}_a(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{L}_a(0, 1)$	$ \mu + \sigma \exp\left(-\frac{ \mu }{\sigma}\right) - 1 - \log(\sigma)$	
	$\mathcal{L}_o(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{L}_a(0, 1)$	$2\sigma \log\left(2 \cosh\left(\frac{\mu}{2\sigma}\right)\right) - 2 - \log\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)$	
	$\mathcal{E}(\sigma)$	$\mathcal{L}_a(0, 1)$	$\sigma - \log(\sigma) - 1 + \log(2)$	
	$\mathcal{C}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{C}(0, 1)$	$\log(\mu^2 + (1 + \sigma)^2) - \log(4\sigma)$	
	$\mathcal{U}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{C}(0, 1)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \tan^{-1}(\sigma - \mu) + \frac{1}{\sigma} \tan^{-1}(\sigma + \mu) - 2 - \log\left(\frac{2\sigma}{\pi}\right) + \frac{\sigma - \mu}{2\sigma} \log(1 + (\sigma - \mu)^2) + \frac{\sigma + \mu}{2\sigma} \log(1 + (\sigma + \mu)^2)$	
	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{G}(0, 1)$	$-\log(\sigma) + \mu + \exp(-\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) - \frac{1 + \log(2\pi)}{2}$	
	$\mathcal{U}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{G}(0, 1)$	$\mu + \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp(-\mu) \sinh(\sigma) - \log(2\sigma)$	
	$\mathcal{G}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\mathcal{G}(0, 1)$	$\mu - \log(\sigma) + \Gamma(\sigma + 1)e^{-\mu} - 1 + \gamma_0(\sigma - 1)$	
	$\mathcal{E}(\sigma)$	$\mathcal{G}(0, 1)$	$\sigma + (1 + \sigma)^{-1} - 1 - \log(\sigma)$	

Mismatched Pairs

- KLD of matched/mismatched posterior-prior pairs



Rényi Divergence: Variational Rényi (VR) Bound

RÉNYI DIVERGENCE $D_\alpha(Q||\Pi)$ SPECIAL CASES [10]

- Rényi divergence variational inference

– <https://arxiv.org/abs/1602.02311>

$$D_\alpha(Q||\Pi) = \frac{1}{\alpha - 1} \log \mathbb{E}_{z \sim Q} \left[\left(\frac{Q(z)}{\Pi(z)} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right]$$

VI bound (ELBO)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{VI}}(q; \mathcal{D}, \varphi) = \log p(\mathcal{D}|\varphi) - \text{KL}[q(\boldsymbol{\theta})||p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathcal{D}, \varphi)] = \mathbb{E}_q \left[\log \frac{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathcal{D}|\varphi)}{q(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right]$$

VR bound

$$\mathcal{L}_\alpha(q; \mathcal{D}) := \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \log \mathbb{E}_q \left[\left(\frac{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathcal{D})}{q(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right)^{1-\alpha} \right]$$

alpha=0: importance-weighted AE (IWAE)

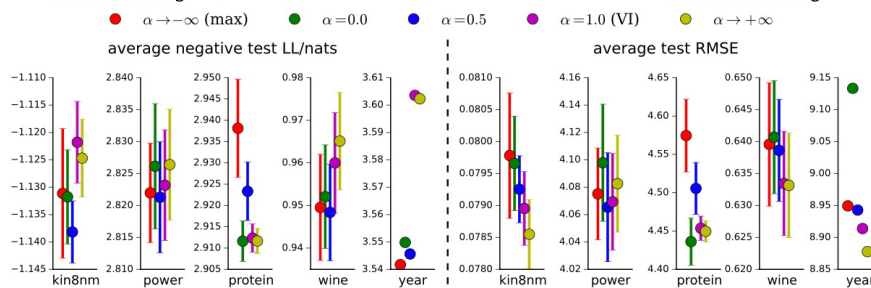
Gradient weighting

$$\nabla_\phi \mathcal{L}_\alpha(q_\phi; \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_\epsilon \left[w_\alpha(\epsilon; \phi, \mathbf{x}) \nabla_\phi \log \frac{p(g_\phi(\epsilon), \mathbf{x})}{q(g_\phi(\epsilon))} \right],$$

$$w_\alpha(\epsilon; \phi, \mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{p(g_\phi(\epsilon), \mathbf{x})}{q(g_\phi(\epsilon))} \right)^{1-\alpha} / \mathbb{E}_\epsilon \left[\left(\frac{p(g_\phi(\epsilon), \mathbf{x})}{q(g_\phi(\epsilon))} \right)^{1-\alpha} \right]$$

Order α	Definition	Correspondence
$\alpha \rightarrow 0$	$-\log \int_{Q(z)>0} \Pi(z) dz$	Overlap (i.e., IWAE [7])
$\alpha = 0.5$	$-2 \log(1 - \text{Hel}^2[Q \Pi])$	Square Hellinger distance
$\alpha \rightarrow 1$	$\int Q(z) \log \frac{Q(z)}{\Pi(z)} dz$	KLD (i.e., standard VAE [1])
$\alpha = 2$	$-\log(1 - \chi^2[Q \Pi])$	χ^2 -divergence
$\alpha \rightarrow \infty$	$\log \max \frac{Q(z)}{\Pi(z)}$	Worst-case regret

mass-covering ← → zero-forcing

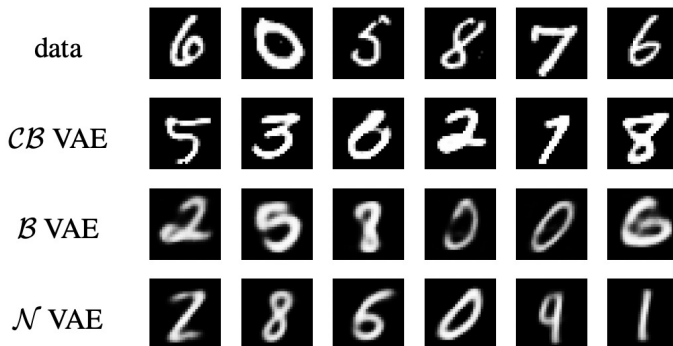


Reconstruction Loss: Generalized NLL for Various Likelihood Beliefs

- Various choice for likelihood belief P
- E.g., Loaiza-Ganem et al. “The continuous Bernoulli: fixing a pervasive error in variational autoencoders”: comparing Bernoulli, cont. Bernoulli, normal, beta NLL

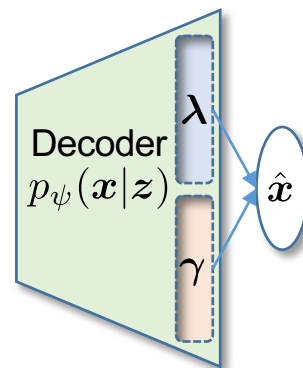
GENERALIZED NLL FOR VARIOUS LIKELIHOOD BELIEFS P

Likelihood P	Generalized NLL Loss ℓ
$\mathcal{B}(\lambda)$	$\text{BCE}(x; \lambda) = -x \log(\lambda) - (1 - x) \log(1 - \lambda)$
$\mathcal{CB}(\lambda)$	$\text{NLL}(x; \lambda) = \text{BCE}(x; \lambda) - \log C(\lambda)$
$\mathcal{N}(\lambda, *)$	$\text{MSE}(x; \lambda) = (x - \lambda)^2$ (omitting unspecified variance)
$\mathcal{L}_a(\lambda, *)$	$\text{MAE}(x; \lambda) = x - \lambda $ (omitting unspecified variance)
$\mathcal{N}(\lambda, \gamma)$	$\text{NLL}(x; \lambda, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \text{MSE}(x; \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\gamma^2)$
$\mathcal{L}_a(\lambda, \gamma)$	$\text{NLL}(x; \lambda, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\gamma} \text{MAE}(x; \lambda) + \log(2\gamma)$
$\mathcal{B}_e(\lambda, \gamma)$	$\text{NLL}(x; \lambda, \gamma) = (1 - \lambda) \log(x) + (1 - \gamma) \log(1 - x) + \log \Gamma(\lambda) + \log \Gamma(\gamma) - \log \Gamma(\lambda + \gamma)$



Univariate

Bivariate



Experiments

- VAE architecture
 - 3 layers 400 hidden nodes
 - 20 latent variables
 - Adam (0.0001)
 - Mini-batch 1000
 - 100 epochs
- Datasets
 - **MNIST**
 - CIFAR-10
 - FMNIST
 - KMNIST
 - SVHN
 - CIFAR-100
 - ...



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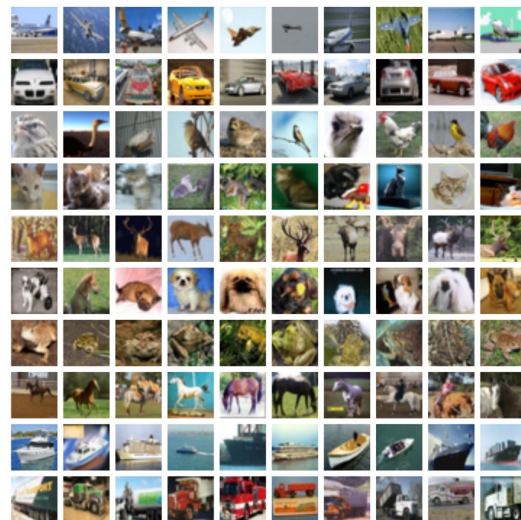
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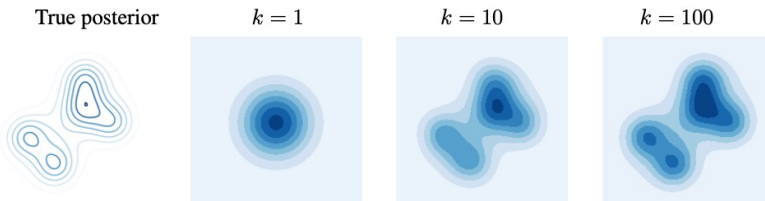


Multi-Sample ELBO: Importance-Weighted AE (IWAE)

- Multi-sample ELBO

$$\log p(x) \geq E_{z \sim q(z|x)} \left[\log \left(\frac{p(x, z)}{q(z|x)} \right) \right] = L_{VAE}[q].$$

(VAE ELBO)



- IWAE: Tighter ELBO than standard VI

- Burda et al. “Importance weighted autoencoders”: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1509.00519.pdf>
- Cremer et al. “Reinterpreting importance weighted autoencoders”: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1704.02916.pdf>

$$\log p(x) \geq E_{z_1 \dots z_k \sim q(z|x)} \left[\log \left(\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{p(x, z_i)}{q(z_i|x)} \right) \right] = L_{IWAE}[q]$$

(IWAE ELBO)

Algorithm 1 Sampling $q_{EW}(z|x)$

- 1: $k \leftarrow$ number of importance samples
- 2: **for** i in $1..k$ **do**
- 3: $z_i \sim q(z|x)$
- 4: $w_i = \frac{p(x, z_i)}{q(z_i|x)}$
- 5: Each $\tilde{w}_i = w_i / \sum_{i=1}^k w_i$
- 6: $j \sim \text{Categorical}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}})$
- 7: **Return** z_j

Real



Sample $q(z|x)$

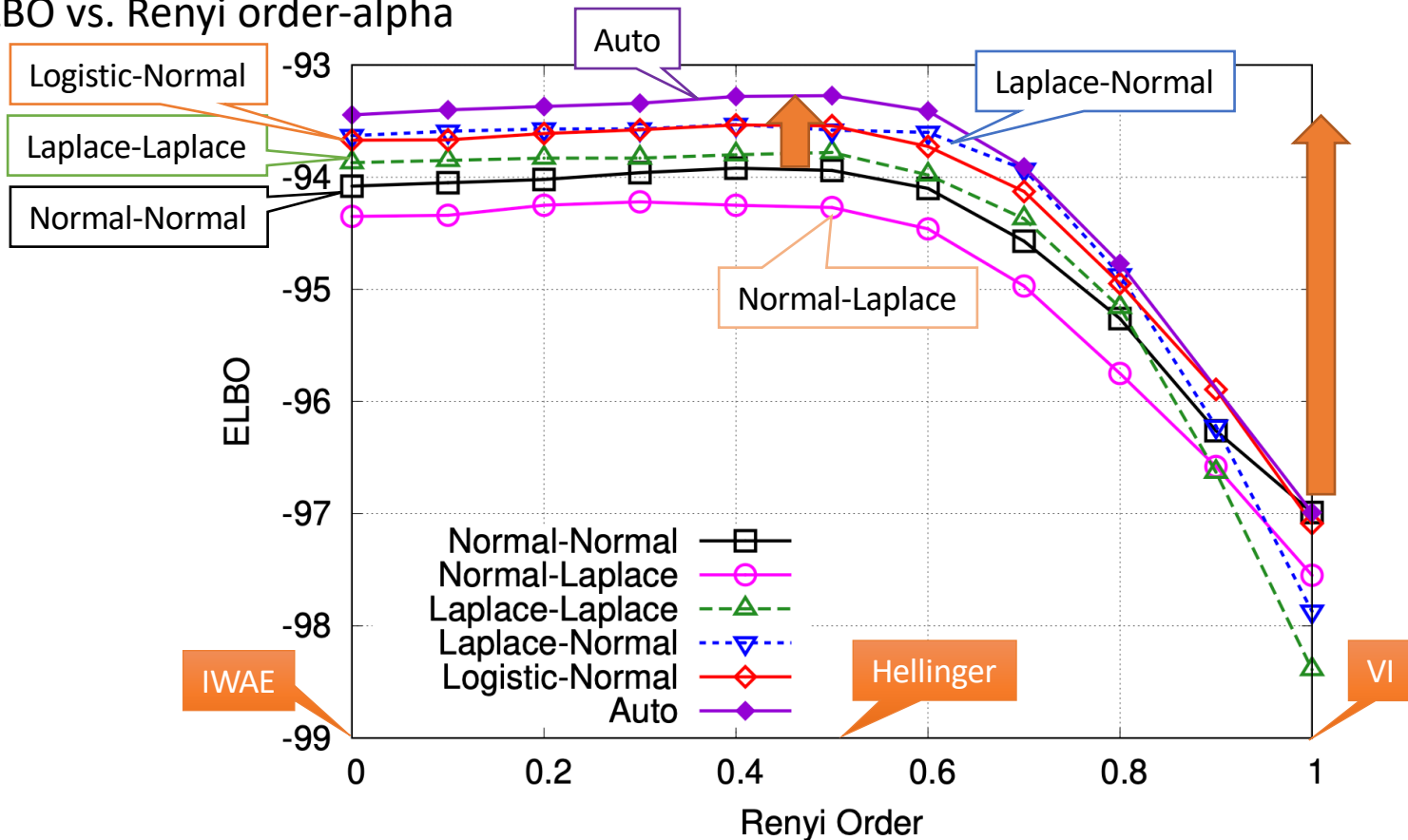


Sample $q_{EW}(z|x)$



ELBO Performance: Variational Renyi (VR) Bound

- ELBO vs. Renyi order-alpha



Generated Image Snapshots



(a) $\mathcal{N} \parallel \mathcal{N}$



(b) $\mathcal{L}_a \parallel \mathcal{N}$



(c) $\mathcal{L}_o \parallel \mathcal{N}$



(d) $\mathcal{U} \parallel \mathcal{N}$



(e) $\mathcal{E} \parallel \mathcal{N}$



(f) $\mathcal{N} \parallel \mathcal{L}_a$



(g) $\mathcal{L}_a \parallel \mathcal{L}_a$



(h) $\mathcal{L}_o \parallel \mathcal{L}_a$



(i) $\mathcal{E} \parallel \mathcal{L}_a$



(j) $\mathcal{C} \parallel \mathcal{C}$



(k) $\mathcal{U} \parallel \mathcal{C}$



(l) Auto

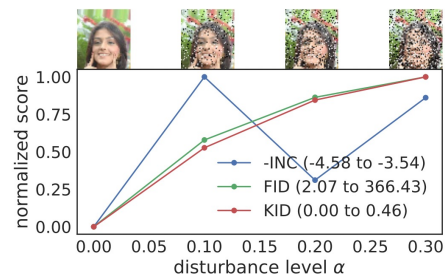
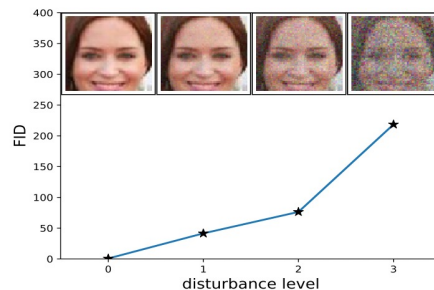
Inception Score for Synthetic Data Quality Measure

- We use torch-fidelity for inception score: <https://github.com/toshas/torch-fidelity>
- Inception score (**IS**): <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1606.03498.pdf>
 - Salimans et al. “Improved Techniques for Training GANs”
 - Perceptual score to evaluate GAN images based on inception-v3 pre-trained model
- Frechet inception distance (**FID**): <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1706.08500.pdf>
 - Heusel et al. “GANs Trained by a Two Time-Scale Update Rule Converge to a Local Nash Equilibrium”

$$d^2((\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{C}), (\mathbf{m}_w, \mathbf{C}_w)) = \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_w\|_2^2 + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C}_w - 2(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}_w)^{1/2})$$

- Kernel inception distance (**KID**): <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1801.01401.pdf>
 - Binkovski et al. “Demystifying MMD GANs”

$$k(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{d}x^T y + 1\right)^3$$



VAE Stochastic Model Comparisons

- ELBO, NLL, inception scores for various posterior-prior pairs with different likelihood beliefs

	$\mathcal{N} \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{L}_a \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{L}_o \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{U} \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{G} \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{E} \mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{N} \mathcal{L}_a$	$\mathcal{L}_a \mathcal{L}_a$	$\mathcal{L}_o \mathcal{L}_a$	$\mathcal{E} \mathcal{L}_a$	$\mathcal{C} \mathcal{C}$	$\mathcal{U} \mathcal{C}$	$\mathcal{G} \mathcal{G}$	Auto	
(a) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{N}(\lambda, *)$: Unspecified Normal Distribution, i.e., MSE Loss															
Unspecified Normal NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	-19.74	-20.35	-19.23	-22.47	-20.60	-39.76	-19.74	-19.42	-19.39	-34.06	-26.56	-26.33	-19.49	-19.01
	MSE	12.71	12.76	12.59	12.84	12.91	20.0	12.61	13.00	12.72	16.76	26.44	12.84	13.14	12.74
	FID	119.0	119.4	113.2	142.6	139.2	126.0	119.4	126.9	120.7	223.5	348.4	147.2	134.7	126.1
	KID	0.125	0.127	0.118	0.138	0.154	0.164	0.145	0.133	0.126	0.246	0.528	0.142	0.149	0.135
(b) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{B}(\lambda)$: Bernoulli Distribution, i.e., BCE Loss															
Bernoulli NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	-102.5	-103.9	-102.9	-105.9	-103.5	-163.6	-102.7	-103.9	-103.2	-148.1	-203.4	-108.6	-103.4	-101.6
	BCE	77.15	77.01	76.62	76.66	76.20	124.4	76.81	78.26	77.35	121.6	202.5	76.67	76.90	76.30
	FID	42.91	43.50	44.01	42.76	41.82	113.27	40.80	41.59	42.13	152.6	389.3	42.42	40.88	40.19
	KID	0.0369	0.0370	0.0378	0.0359	0.0349	0.1236	0.0347	0.0348	0.0360	0.1908	0.6302	0.0338	0.0344	0.0337
(c) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{L}_a(\lambda, *)$: Unspecified Laplace Distribution, i.e., MAE Loss															
Unspecified Laplace NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	-65.34	-62.34	-61.83	-64.64	-66.26	-98.29	-62.18	-62.54	-62.27	-88.07	-98.73	-76.29	-65.47	-61.08
	MAE	49.86	46.71	46.86	46.54	50.86	74.10	46.75	48.32	48.17	69.11	98.54	44.80	51.39	46.54
	FID	46.02	46.91	48.85	46.41	52.19	159.8	50.48	48.00	48.55	174.2	219.9	102.7	54.58	44.02
	KID	0.0343	0.0357	0.0375	0.0340	0.0428	159.8	0.0388	0.0342	0.0348	0.1767	0.2233	0.0845	0.0456	0.0313
(d) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{N}(\lambda, \gamma^2)$: Normal Distribution															
Normal NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	1888.6	1899.2	1774.5	1819.8	-8000.1	658.6	2079.9	1521.5	2122.6	-30000	177.6	1969.7	2399.1	2490.4
	NLL	-1954.8	-1976.0	-1839.4	-1886.3	552.1	-705.1	-2114.4	-1584.2	-2195.1	-748.3	-193.4	-2042.6	-2469.9	-2575.0
	FID	170.2	167.9	161.5	162.3	294.3	267.7	182.0	167.9	172.2	321.1	423.4	283.9	87.67	98.19
	KID	0.1982	0.1968	0.1840	0.1932	0.3624	0.3431	0.2195	0.2176	0.2057	0.7301	0.6555	0.3733	0.0816	0.0976
(e) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{CB}(\lambda)$: Continuous Bernoulli Distribution															
Continuous Bernoulli NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	1838.0	1835.4	1837.2	1833.2	1838.2	1656.3	1840.8	1837.4	1838.4	1656.3	1355.2	1834.8	1838.2	1840.8
	NLL	-1882.1	-1880.9	-1881.4	-1881.2	-1883.3	-1678.3	-1885.4	-1883.5	-1883.1	-1696.0	-1356.9	-1885.7	-1882.4	-1883.9
	FID	61.25	63.05	62.21	64.17	57.27	116.13	62.28	60.06	59.21	132.9	318.1	66.85	52.85	55.86
	KID	0.0576	0.0589	0.0586	0.0609	0.0514	0.1223	0.0597	0.0565	0.0546	0.1467	0.7745	0.0611	0.0471	0.0501
(f) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{B}_e(\lambda, \gamma)$: Beta Distribution															
Beta NLL	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{1,1}$	6970.2	6062.9	4136.2	4916.3	5362.9	—	5450.7	4301.3	6258.4	7214.3	—	5510.9	5866.2	8044.7
	NLL	-7053.0	-6158.5	-4223.9	-5002.0	-5430.4	—	-5501.7	-4381.6	-6353.5	-7275.0	—	-5588.8	-5946.9	-8122.7
	FID	136.44	134.61	135.23	141.30	103.69	—	127.74	134.68	133.45	204.28	—	119.23	98.15	98.64
	KID	0.1540	0.1525	0.1533	0.1591	0.1119	—	0.1423	0.1514	0.1516	0.2134	—	0.1036	0.1050	0.1070
(g) Likelihood Belief $P = \mathcal{B}(\lambda)$: Bernoulli Distribution, i.e., BCE Loss; Rényi order $\alpha = 0$, i.e., IWAE															
Bernoulli NLL 50-IWAE	$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{0,50}$	-94.08	-93.63	-93.67	-98.54	-94.44	-132.6	-94.35	-93.87	-94.04	-119.6	-98.06	-100.34	-94.28	-93.44
	BCE	77.04	76.56	76.70	77.73	76.55	103.9	77.50	77.01	77.45	97.02	78.12	79.16	77.10	76.81
	FID	38.18	37.01	37.24	42.76	38.13	80.30	41.35	38.09	40.29	111.99	35.71	36.82	36.99	36.43
	KID	0.0310	0.0299	0.0304	0.0359	0.0321	0.0803	0.0354	0.0316	0.0342	0.1180	0.0256	0.0268	0.0312	0.0293

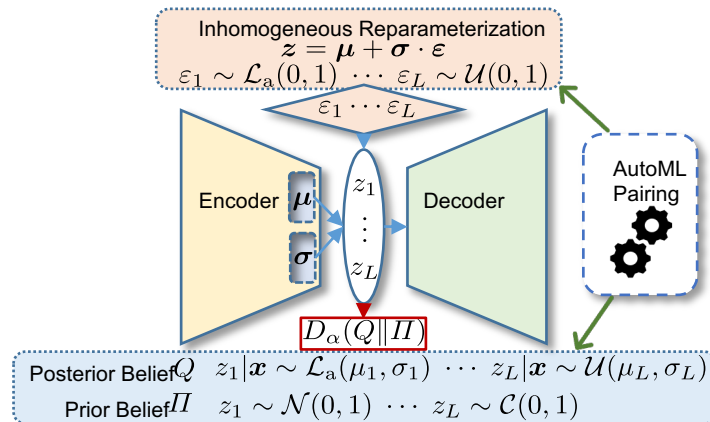
Brute-force
Pairing: 16²⁰



Latent:
50% $\mathcal{L}_o||\mathcal{N}$
30% $\mathcal{L}_a||\mathcal{N}$
20% $\mathcal{L}_a||\mathcal{L}_a$

Summary

- We overviewed trends of **generative AI**
- We proposed **AutoVAE** framework:
 - Automated search of **posterior/prior/likelihood beliefs** besides architecture exploration
 - **Mismatched** posterior-prior pairing (e.g., logistic posterior for normal prior)
 - Heterogenous **irregular** posterior-prior pairing (e.g., 70% logistic-normal; 30% Cauchy-Cauchy)
 - Auto-selection of **Renyi order** for alpha divergence as an extended KLD discrepancy measure
 - Diverse negative likelihood beliefs as a reconstruction loss
- Proposed AutoVAE demonstrated the benefit for some benchmark datasets
 - **ELBO** (variational Renyi bound) analysis
 - Image synthesis snapshot
 - **Inception** score analysis
- Questions?
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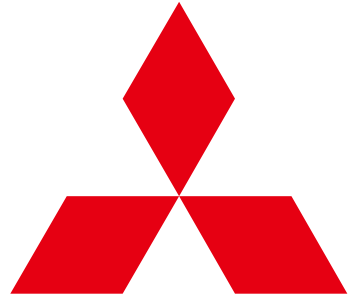


Probability Distribution Notations

- Notations and probability distribution functions (PDF)

Distribution	Notation	PDF $f(x)$
Normal	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$.
Laplace	$\mathcal{L}_a(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{2\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{ x-\mu }{\sigma}\right)$
Cauchy	$\mathcal{C}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sigma}{\sigma^2 + (x-\mu)^2}$
Logistic	$\mathcal{L}_o(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \left(\exp\left(\frac{x-\mu}{2\sigma}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{\mu-x}{2\sigma}\right) \right)^{-2}$
Uniform	$\mathcal{U}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{2\sigma}, \quad \mu - \sigma \leq x \leq \mu + \sigma$
Gumbel	$\mathcal{G}(\mu, \sigma)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} - \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right)$
Exponential	$\mathcal{E}(\sigma)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\sigma}\right), \quad x \geq 0$
Bernoulli	$\mathcal{B}(\lambda)$	$\lambda^x (1-\lambda)^{1-x}, \quad x \in \{0, 1\}$
Cont. Bernoulli [4]	$\mathcal{CB}(\lambda)$	$C(\lambda)\lambda^x (1-\lambda)^{1-x}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$
Beta	$\mathcal{B}_e(\lambda, \gamma)$	$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\gamma)}{\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\gamma)} x^{\lambda-1} (1-x)^{\gamma-1}$

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