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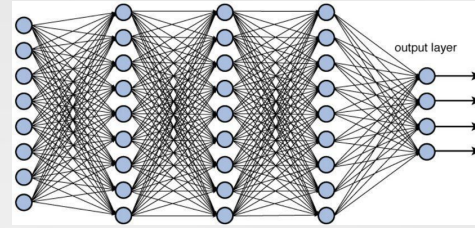
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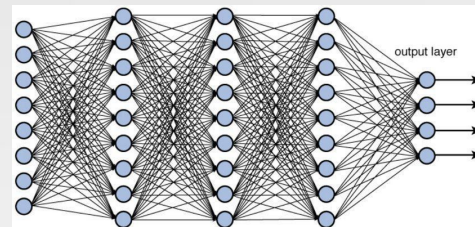
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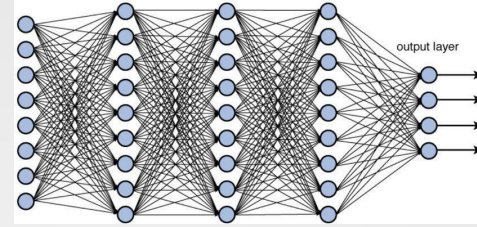
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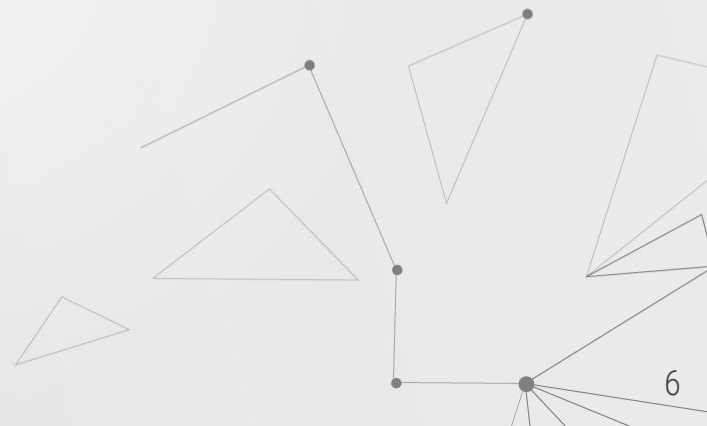


Features that allow to do a specific task on the data.
I.e classification, regression, generalization etc



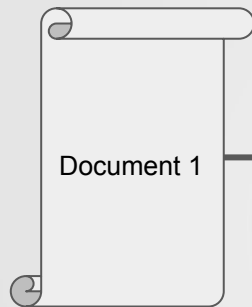
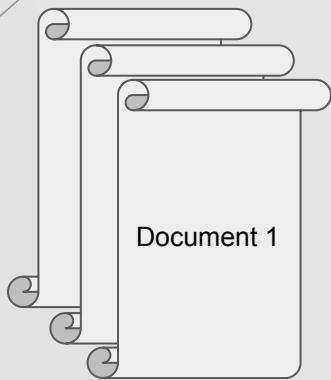
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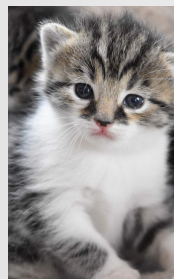
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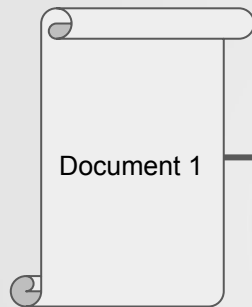
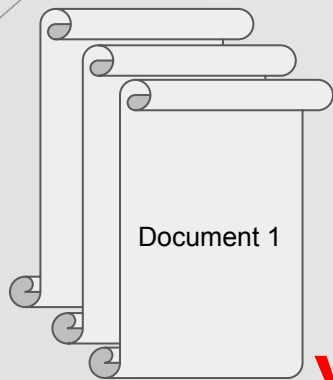
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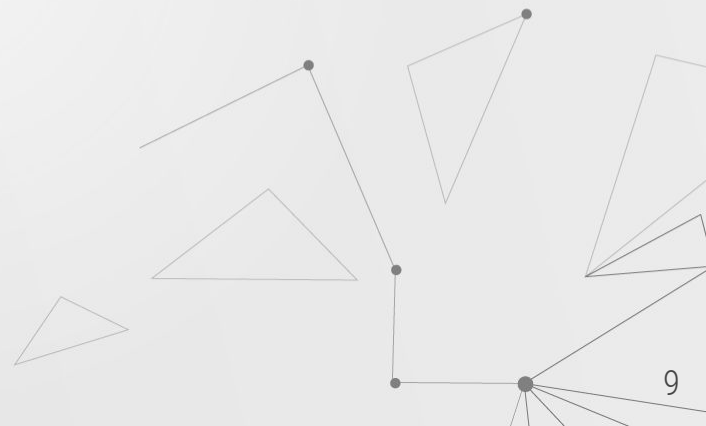


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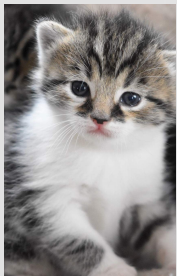
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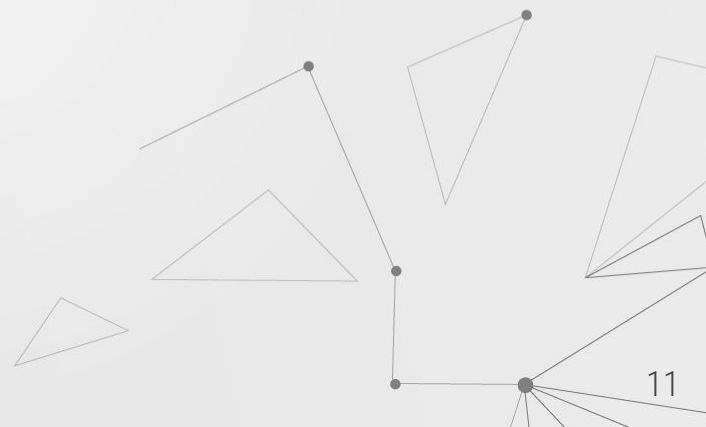
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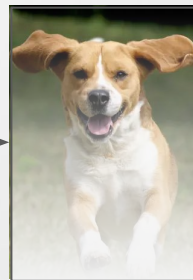
The idea is to **reconstruct** the **input**

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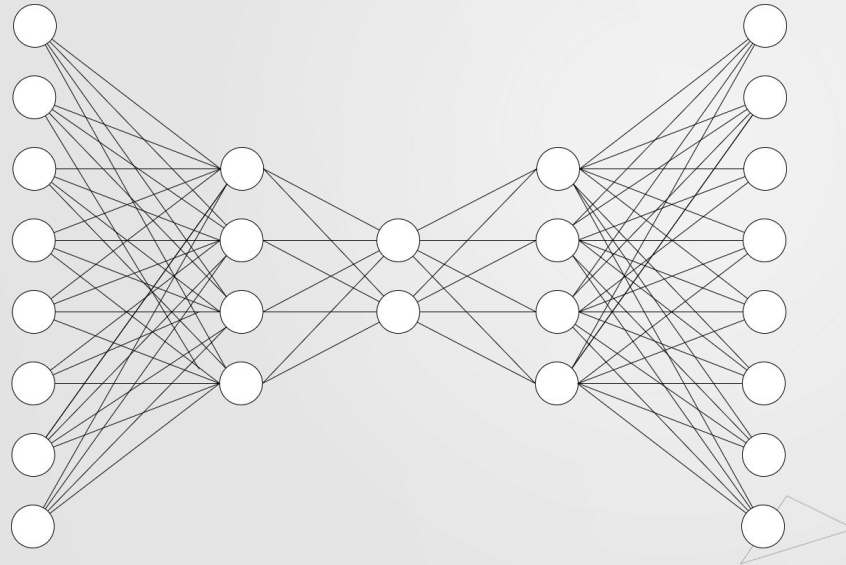


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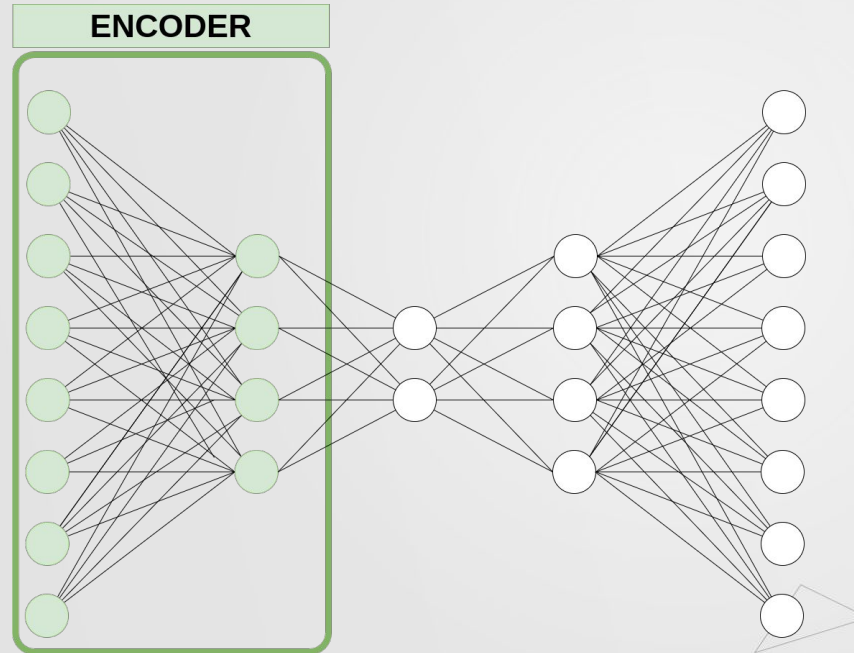
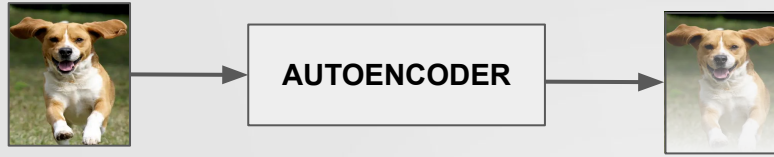
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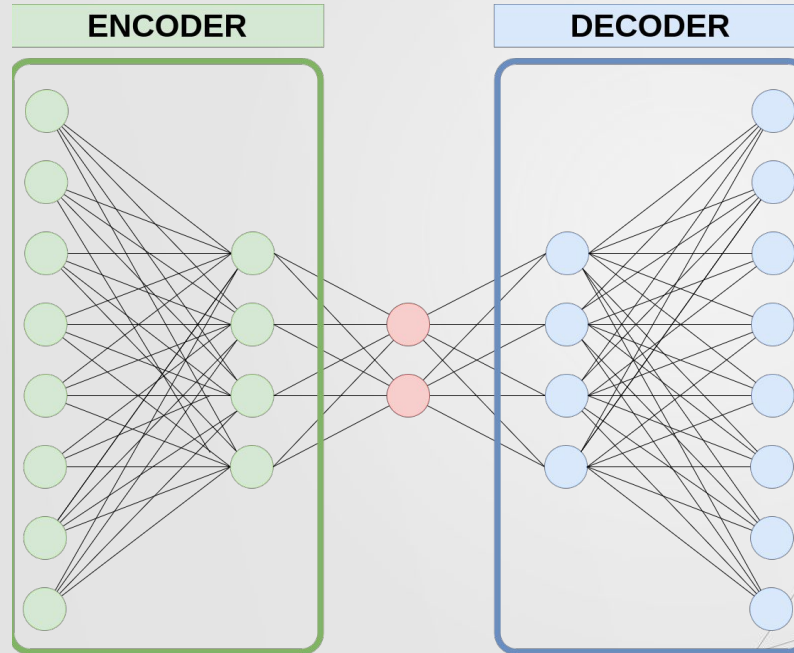
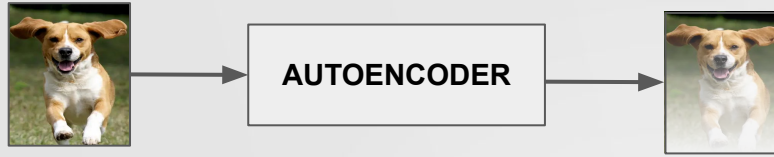
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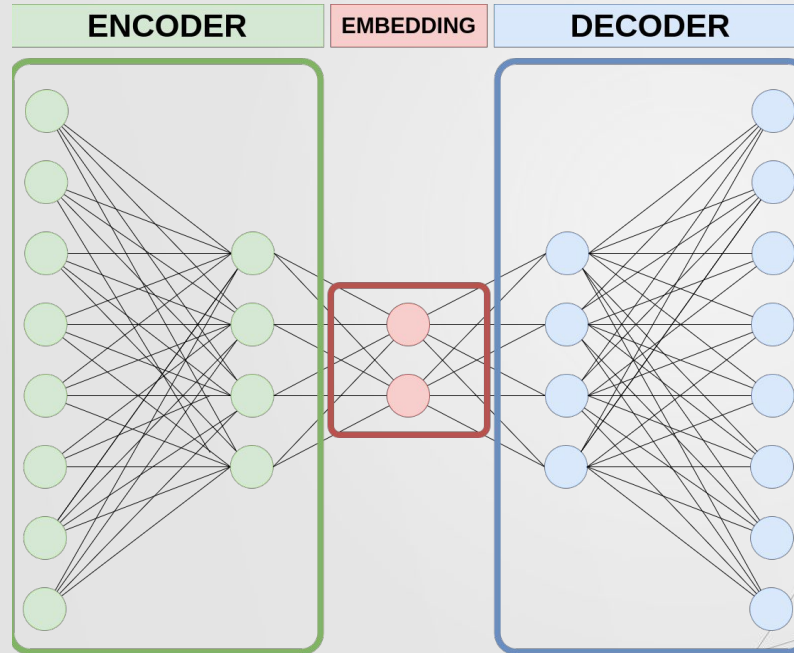
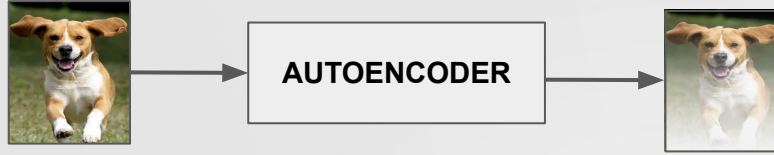
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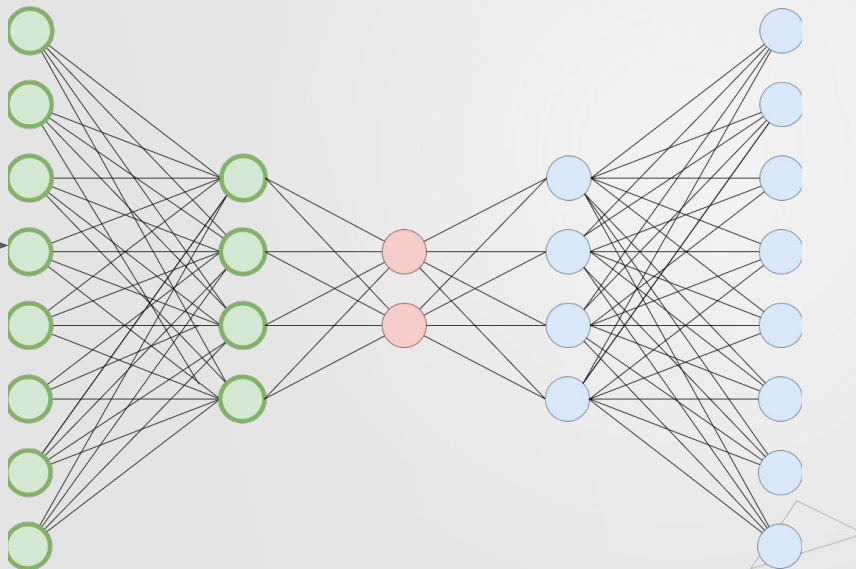
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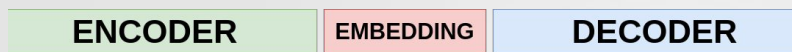
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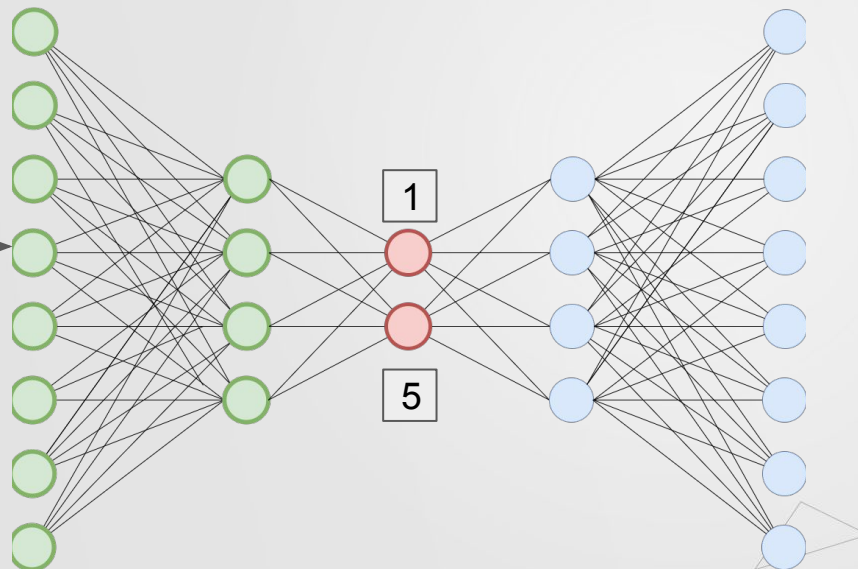
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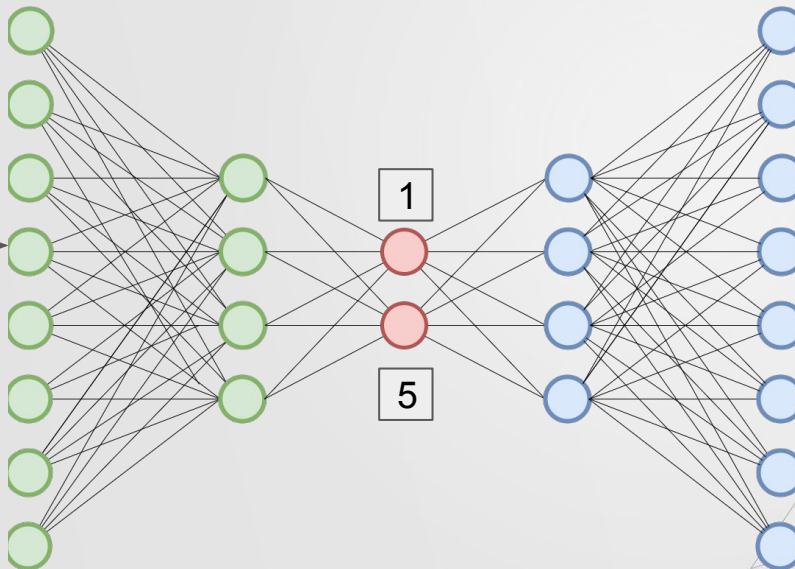
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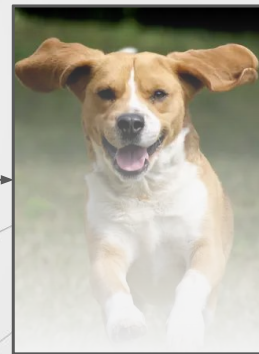
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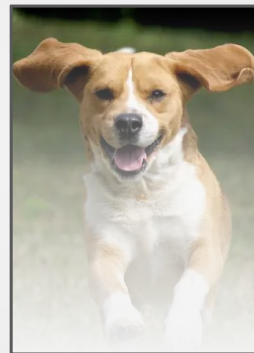
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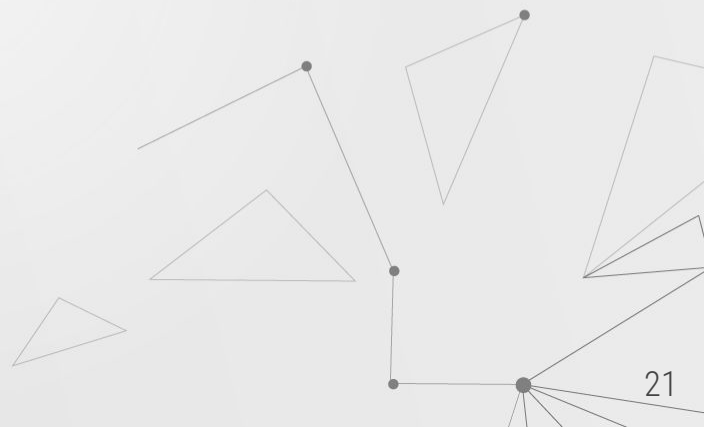
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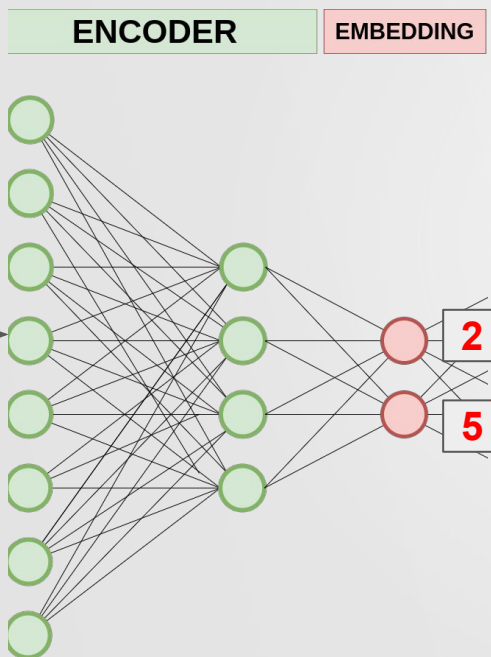
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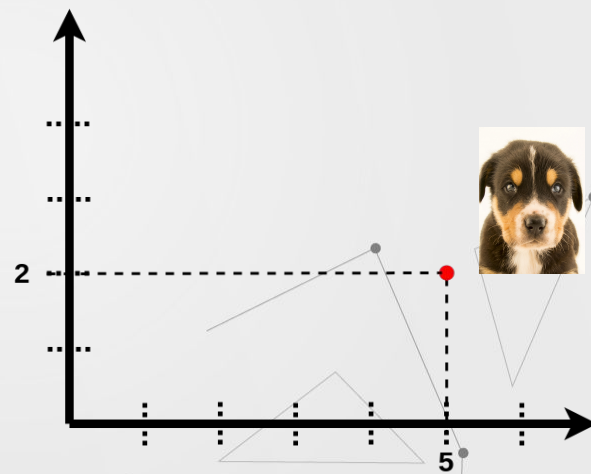
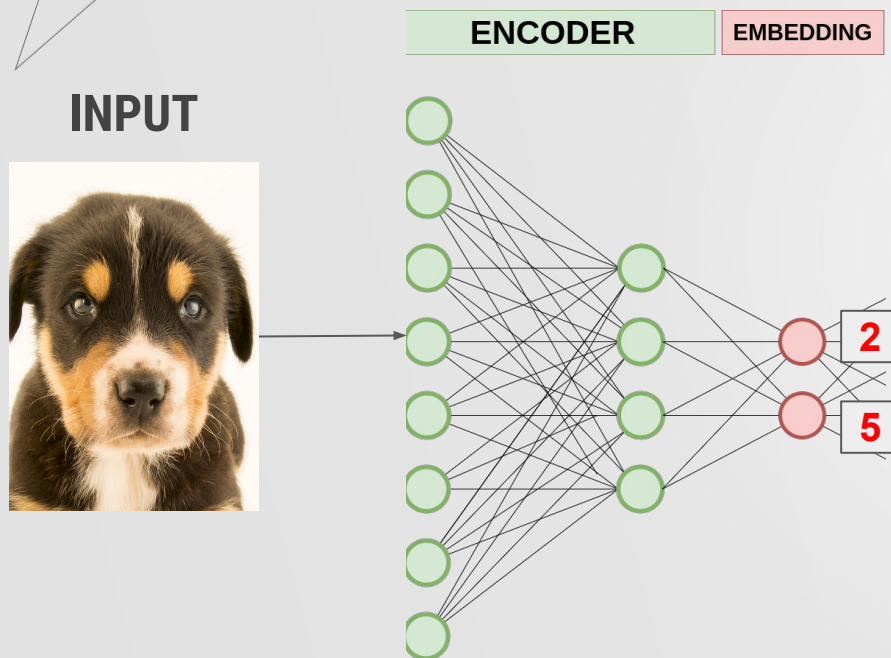
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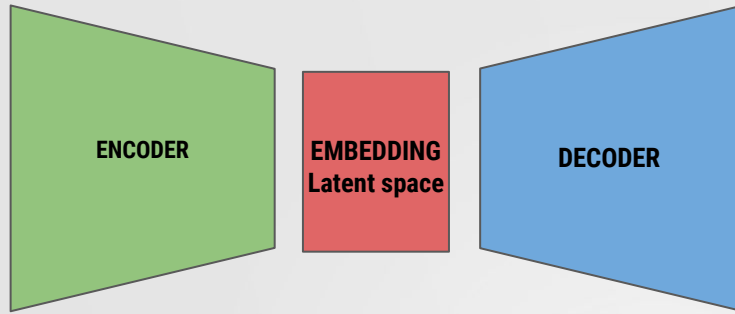


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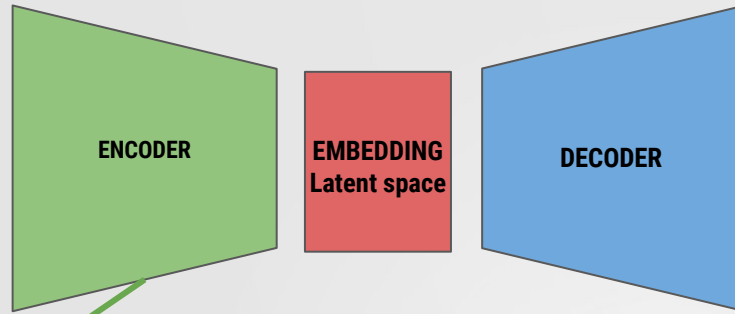
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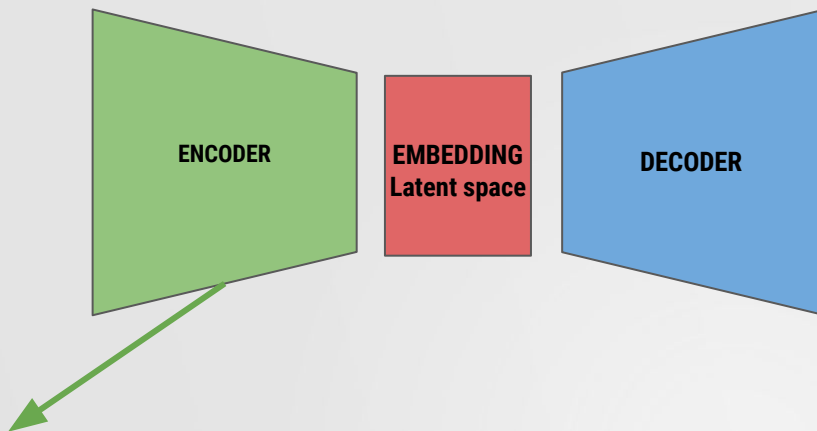


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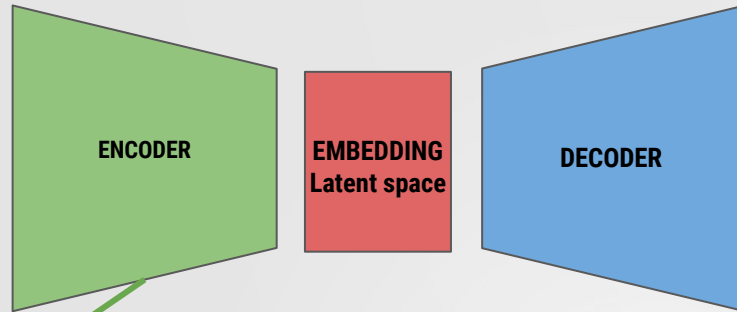
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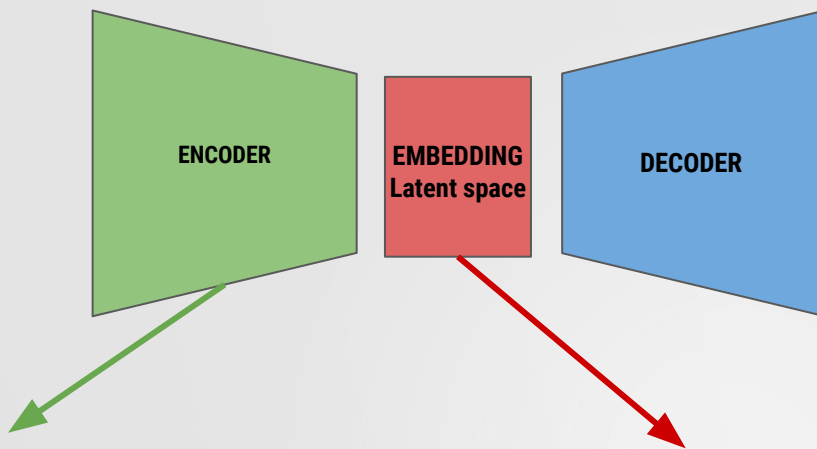
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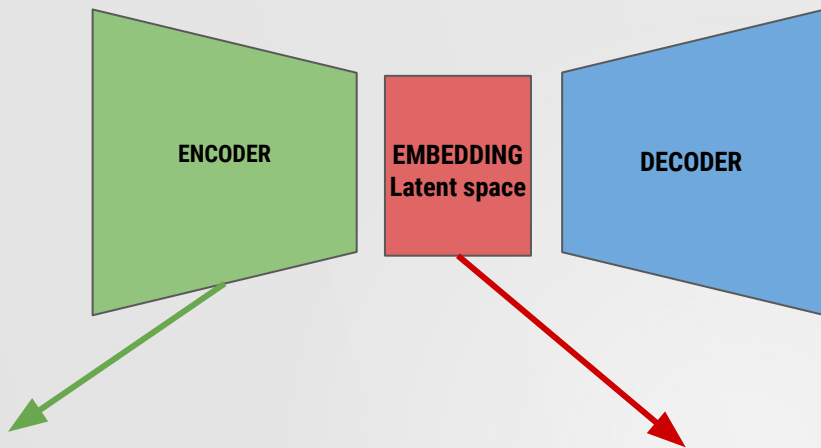
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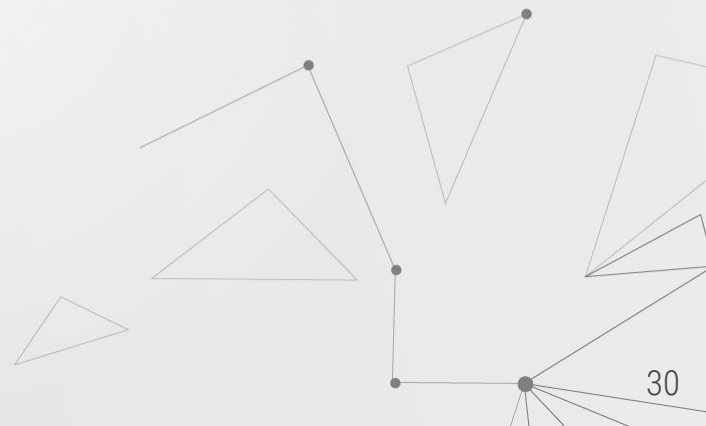
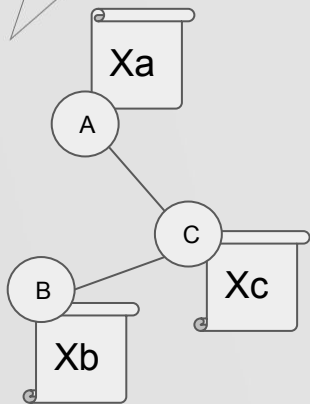
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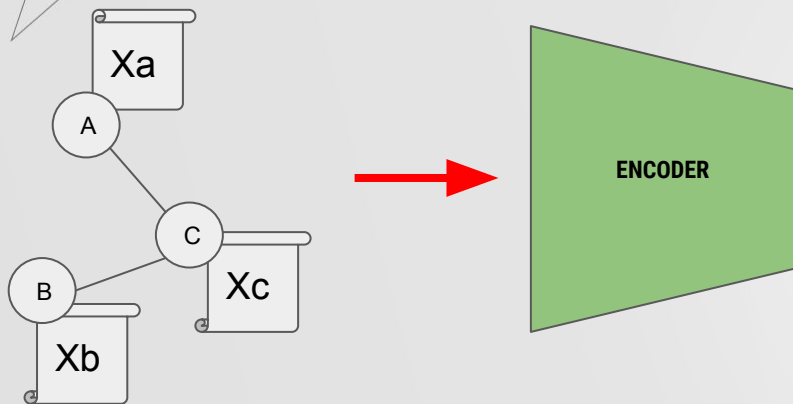
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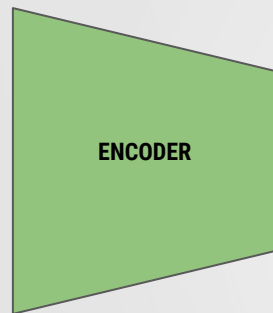
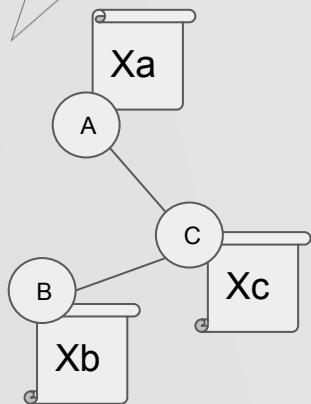
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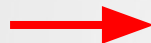
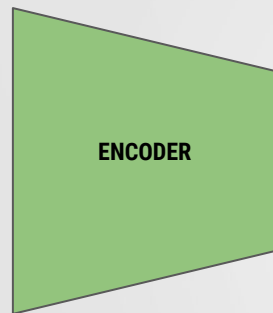
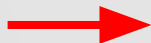
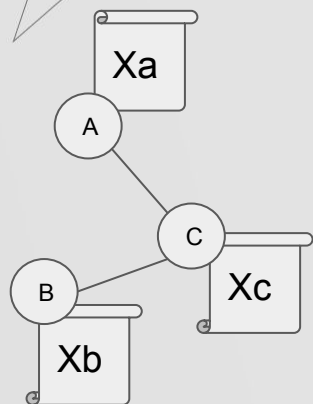
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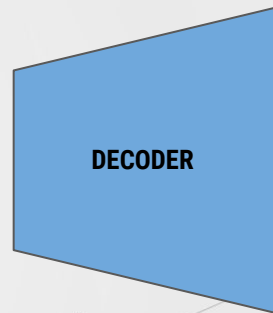
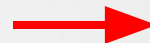
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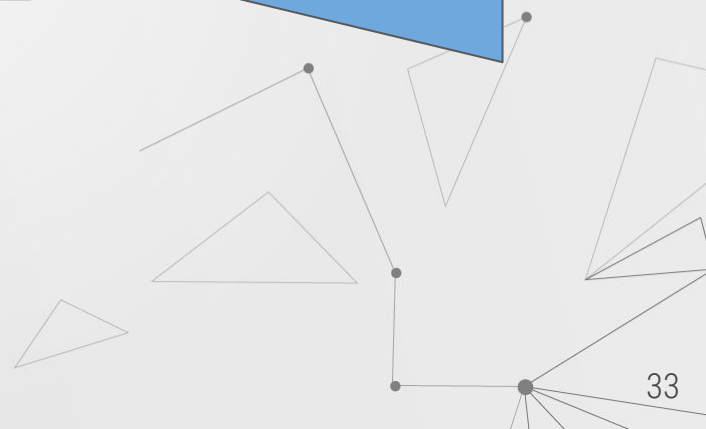


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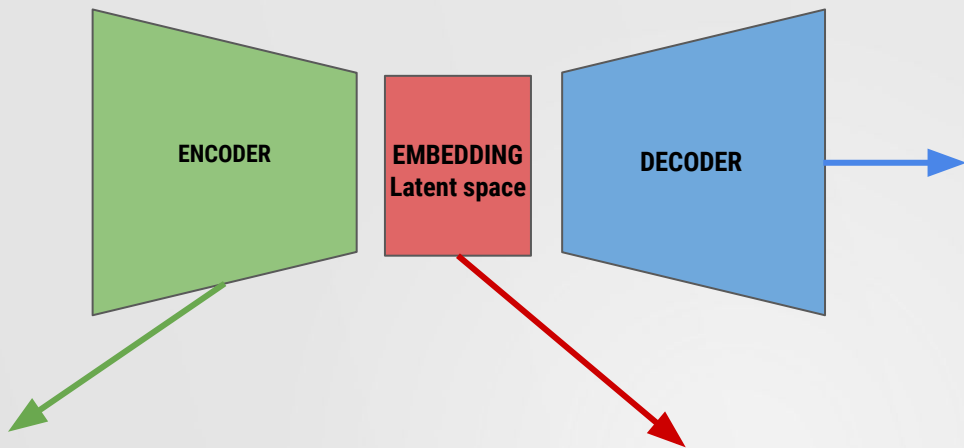
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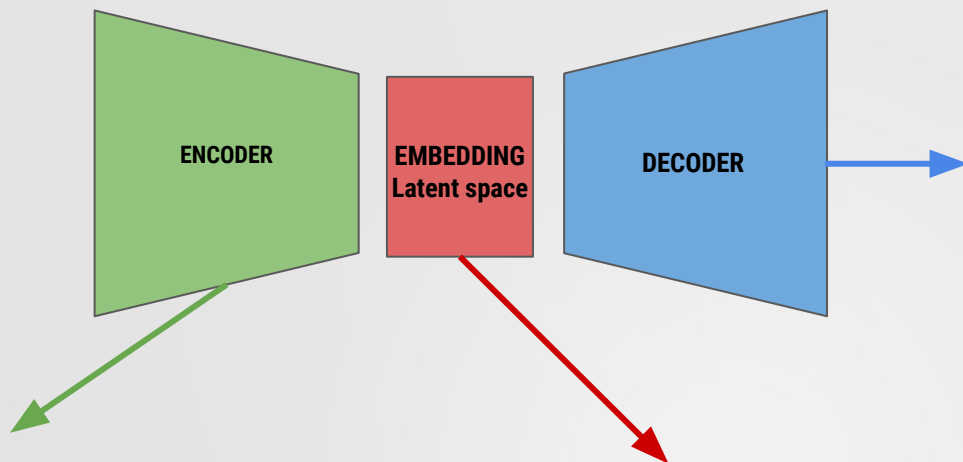
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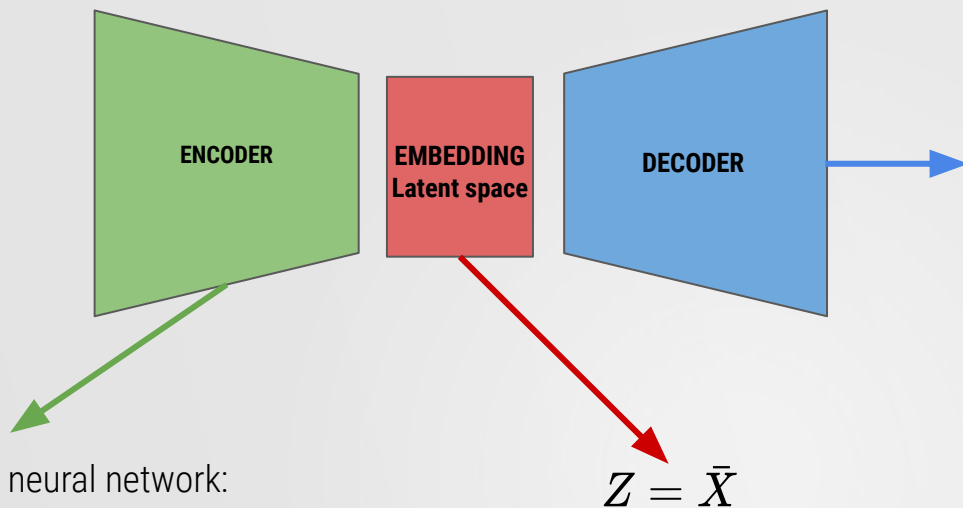
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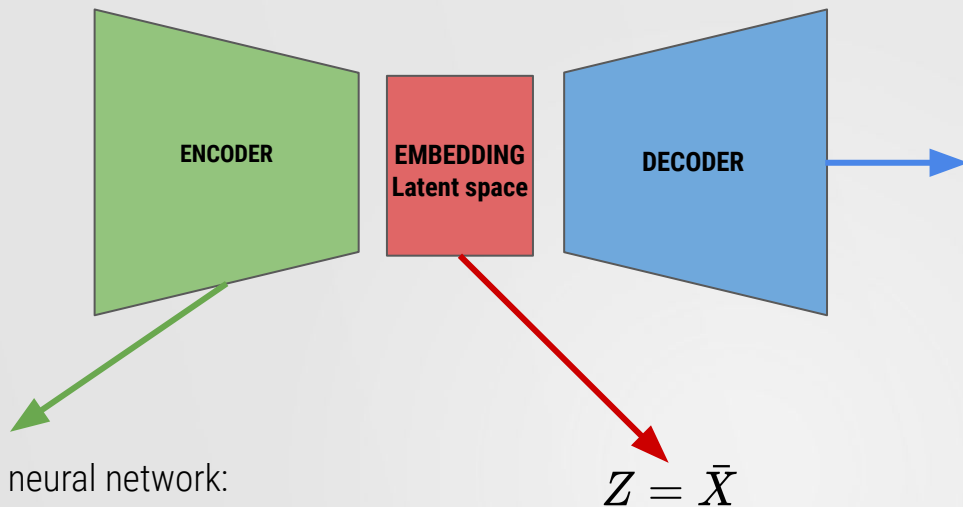
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03 Graph Autoencoders (GAE) Practice

CLASS `GAE (encoder, decoder=None)` [\[source\]](#)

The Graph Auto-Encoder model from the "[Variational Graph Auto-Encoders](#)" paper based on user-defined encoder and decoder models.

PARAMETERS

- **encoder** (*Module*) – The encoder module.
- **decoder** (*Module, optional*) – The decoder module. If set to `None`, will default to the `torch_geometric.nn.models.InnerProductDecoder`. (default: `None`)

decode (**args, **kwargs*) [\[source\]](#)

Runs the decoder and computes edge probabilities.

encode (**args, **kwargs*) [\[source\]](#)

Runs the encoder and computes node-wise latent variables.

recon_loss (*z, pos_edge_index, neg_edge_index=None*) [\[source\]](#)

Given latent variables `z`, computes the binary cross entropy loss for positive edges `pos_edge_index` and negative sampled edges.

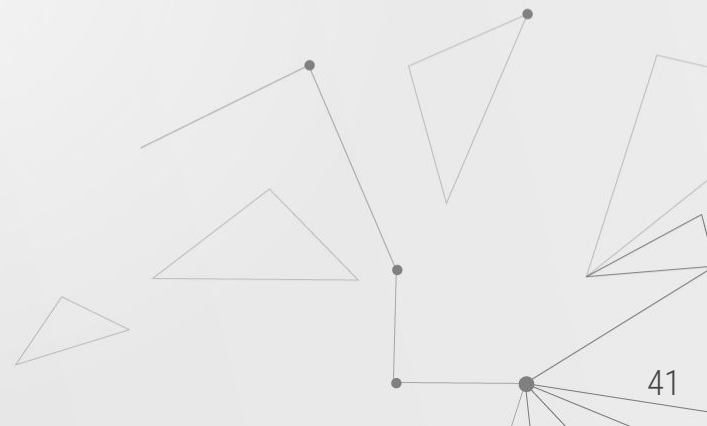
PARAMETERS

- **z** (*Tensor*) – The latent space **Z**.
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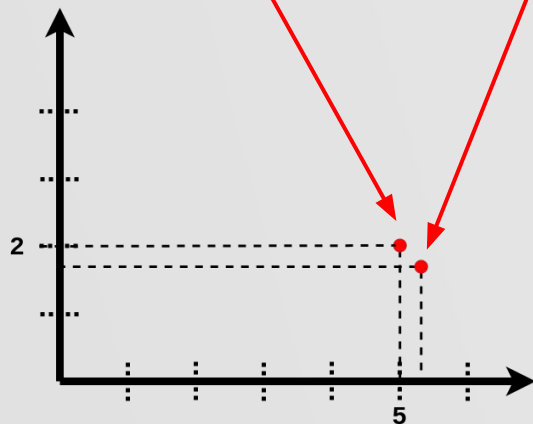
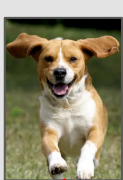
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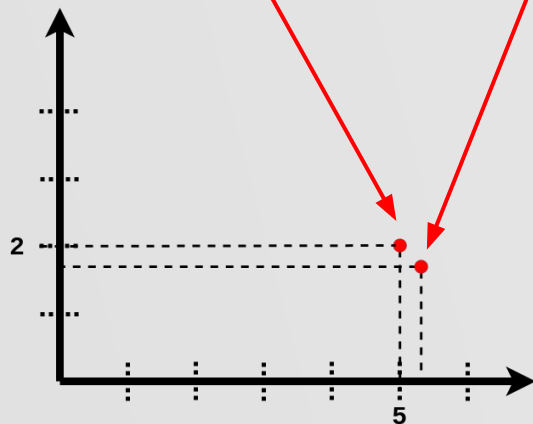
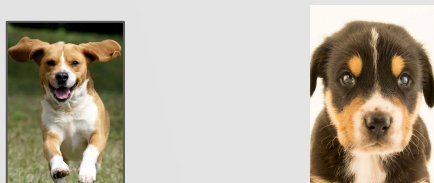
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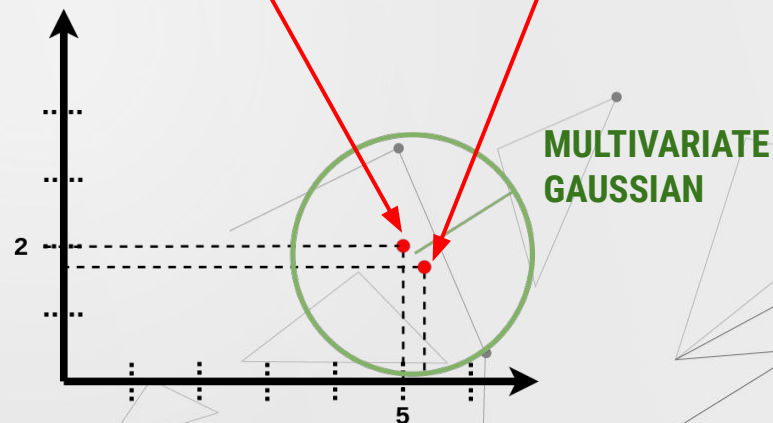
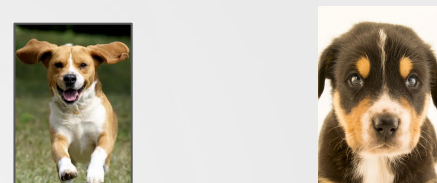


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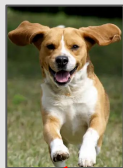
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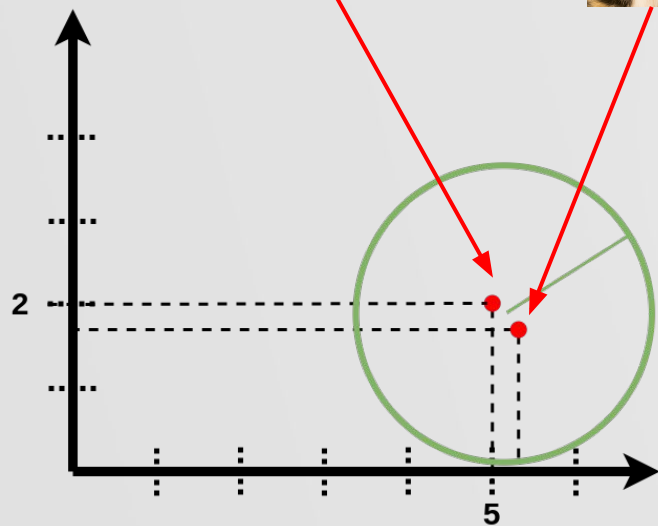


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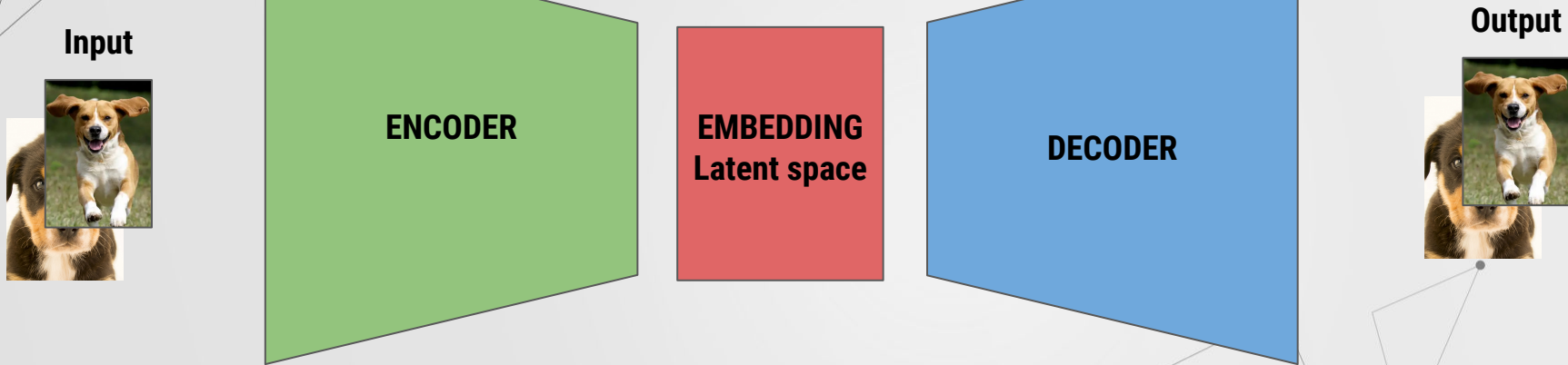


MULTIVARIATE
GAUSSIAN

μ, σ^2



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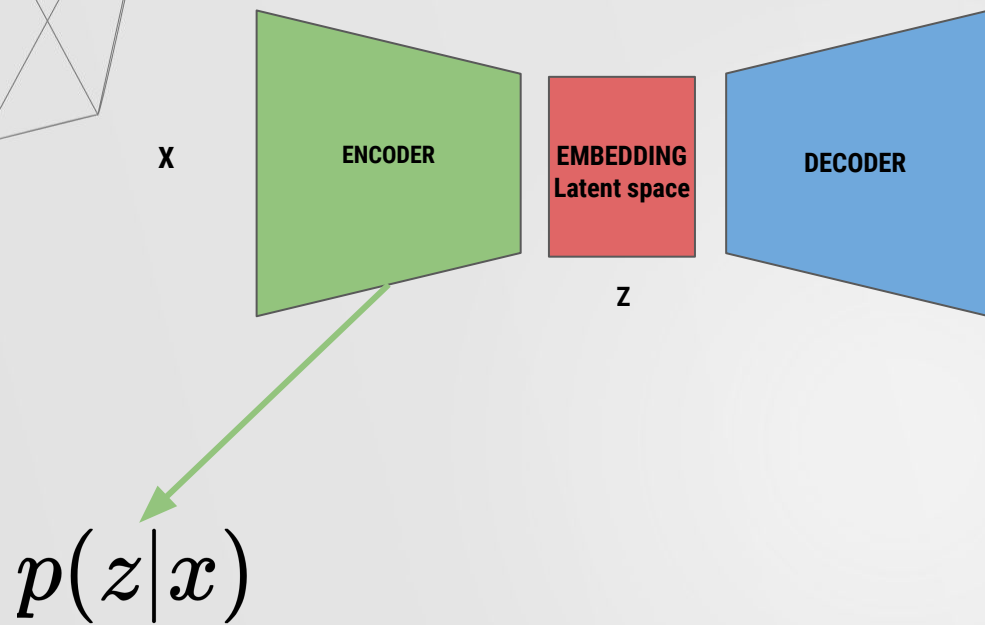
ENCODER

EMBEDDING
Latent space

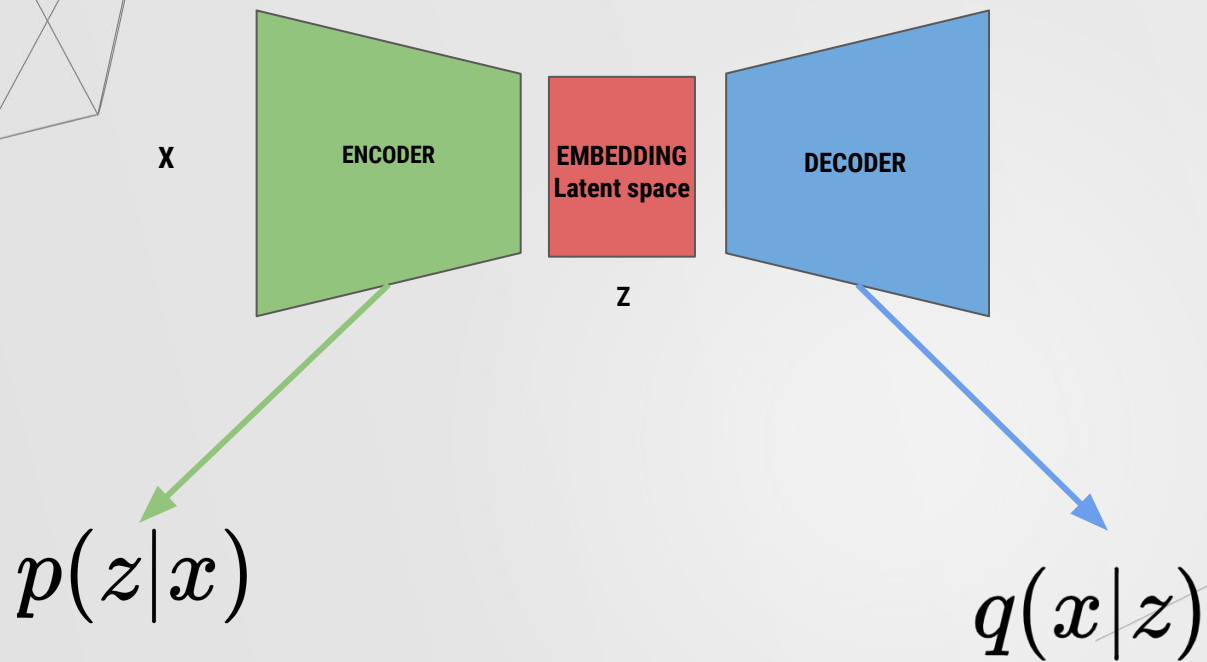
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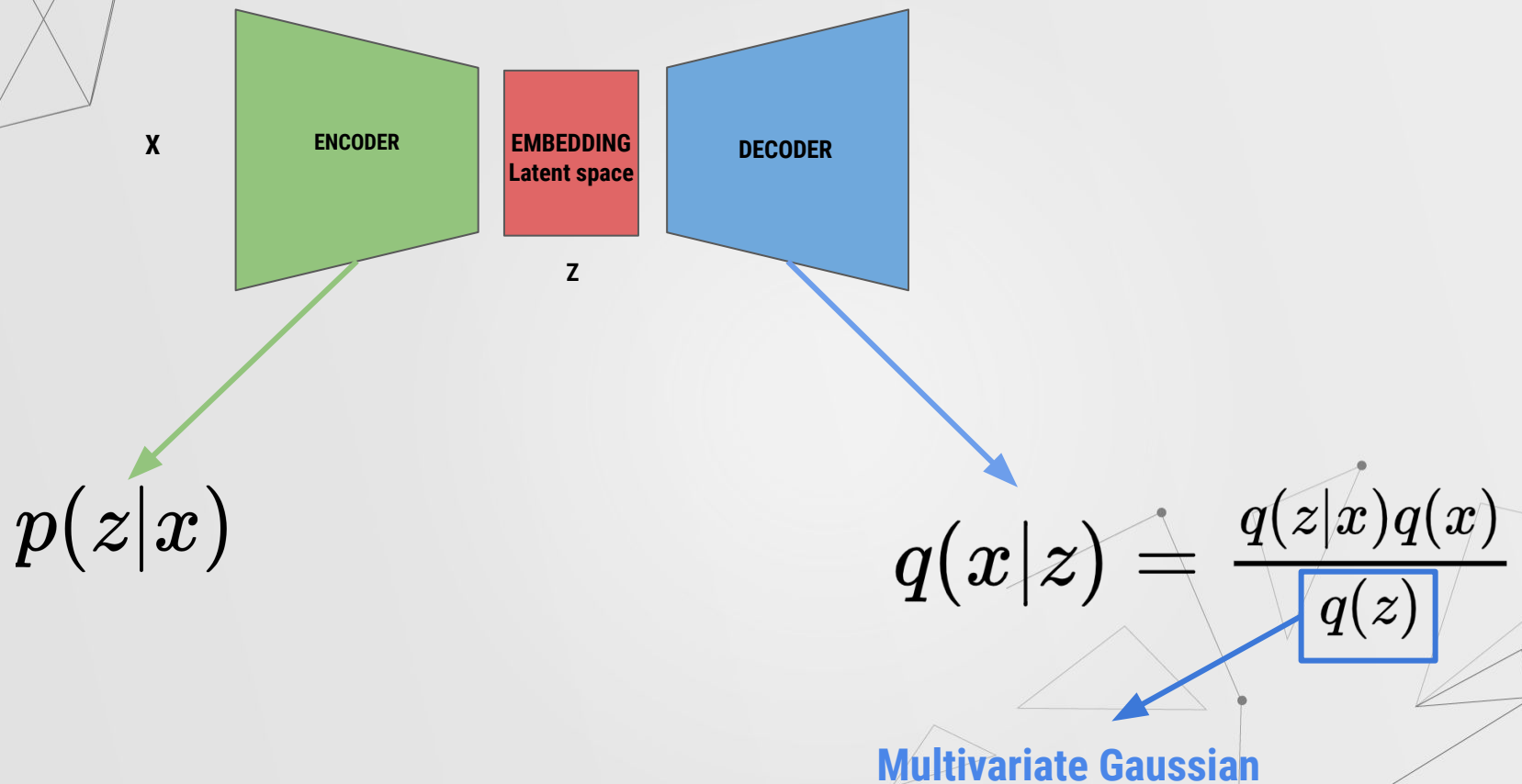
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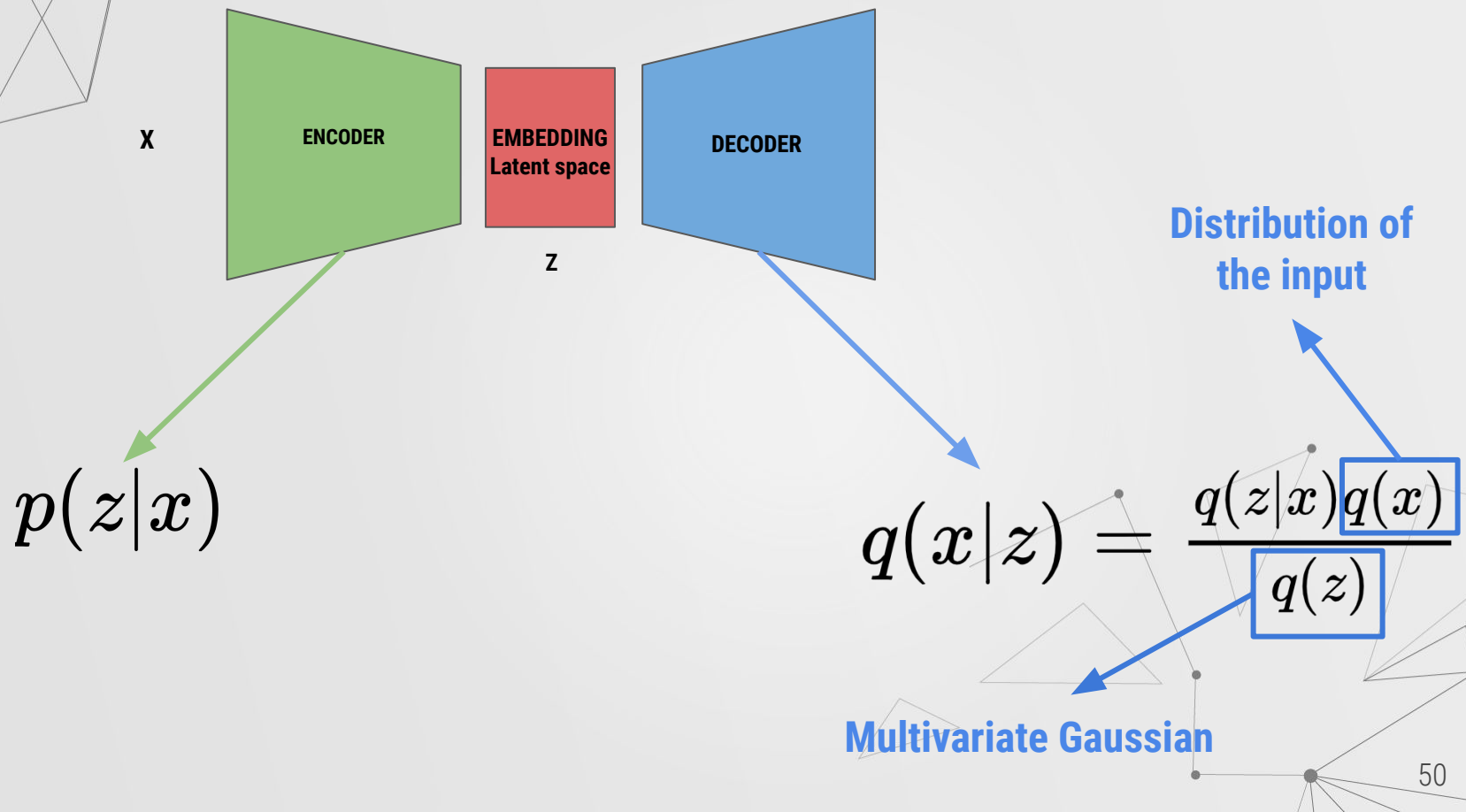
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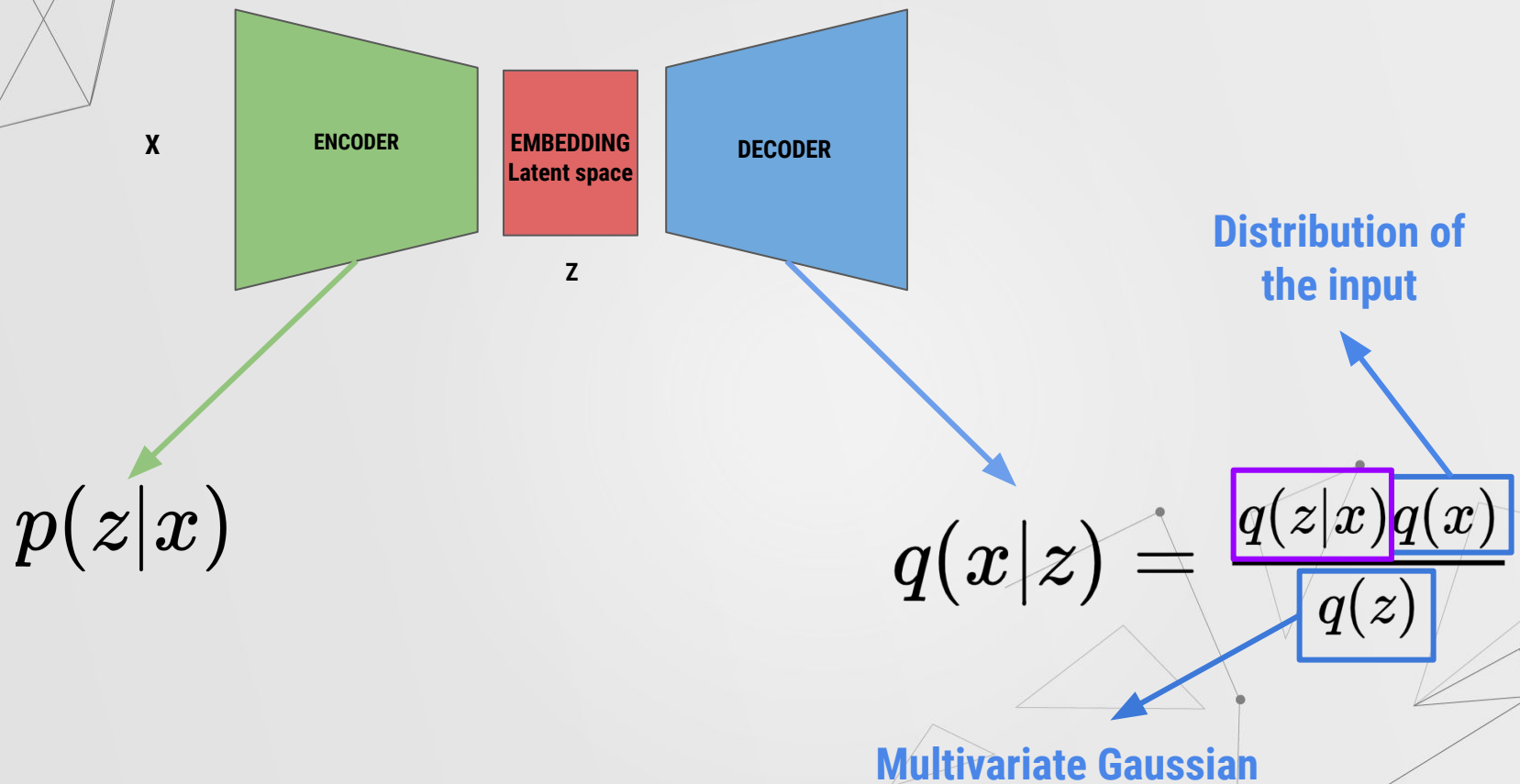
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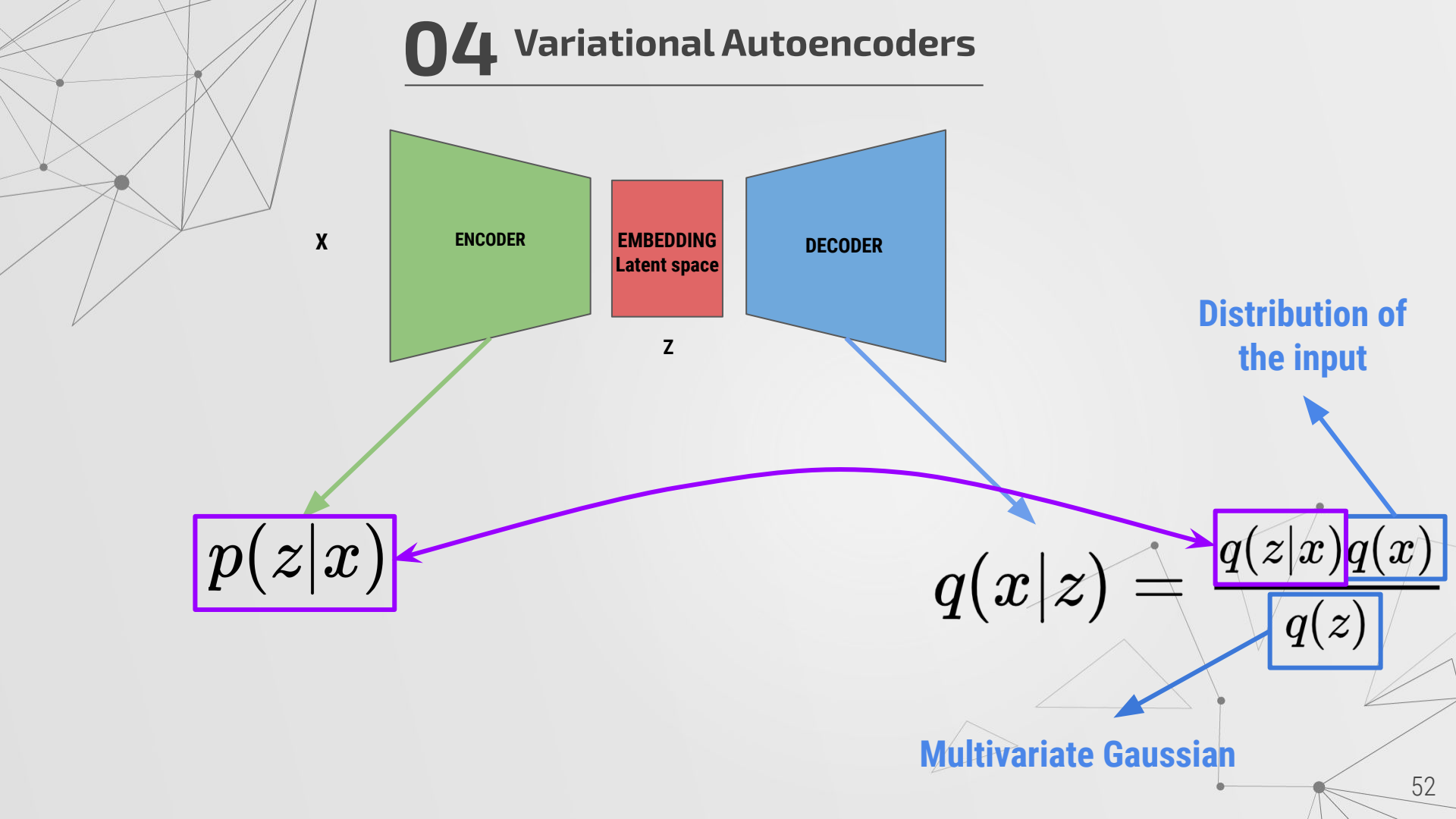
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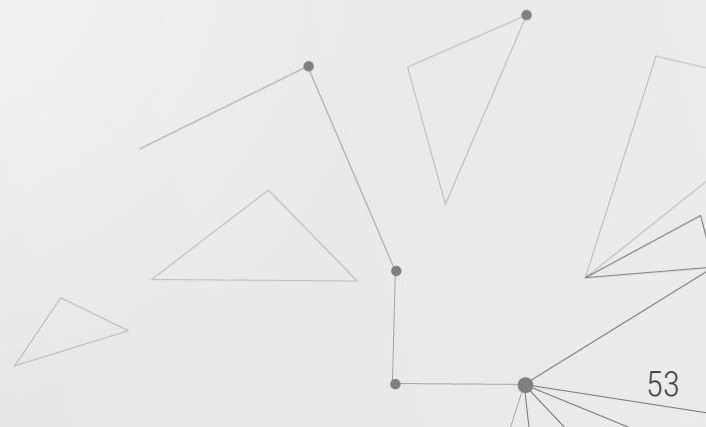




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$$KL(q(z|x) || p(z|x))$$





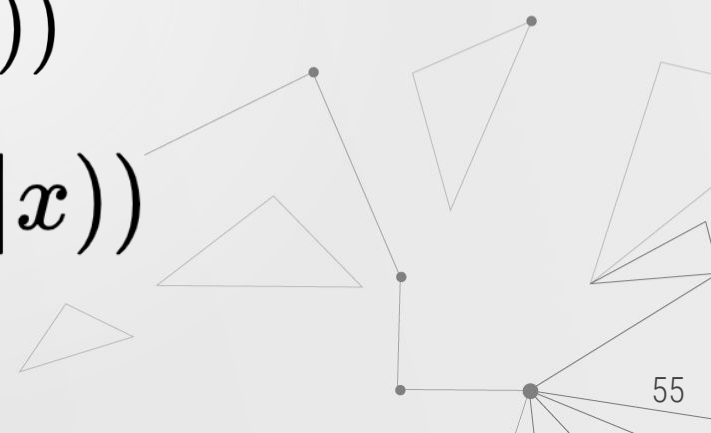
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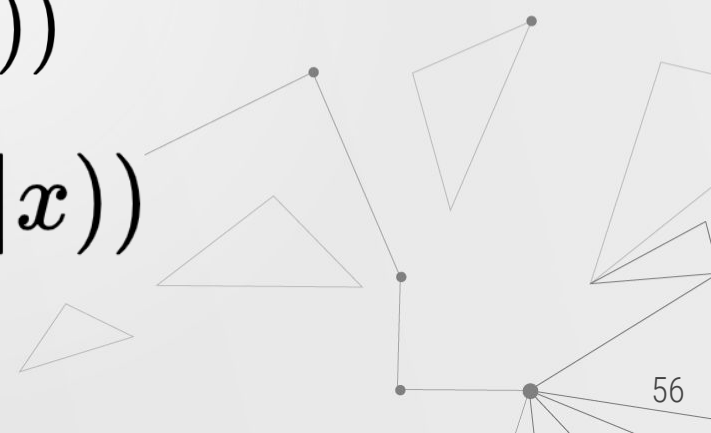
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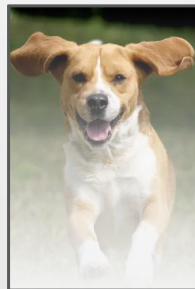
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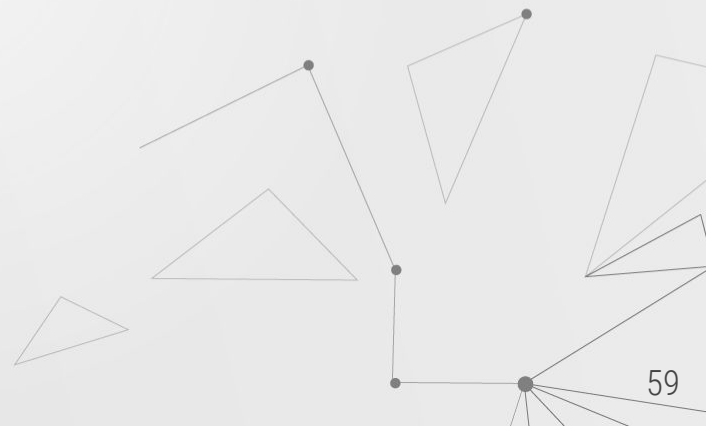
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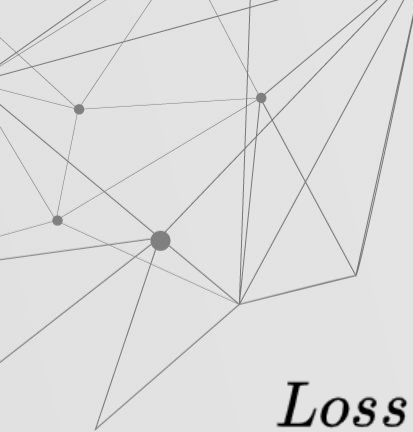



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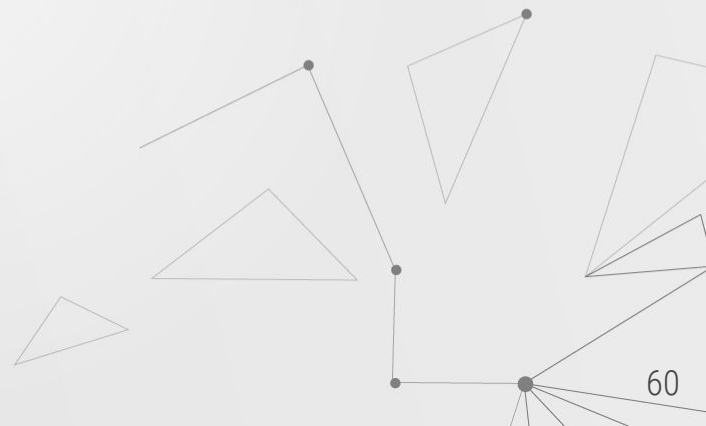


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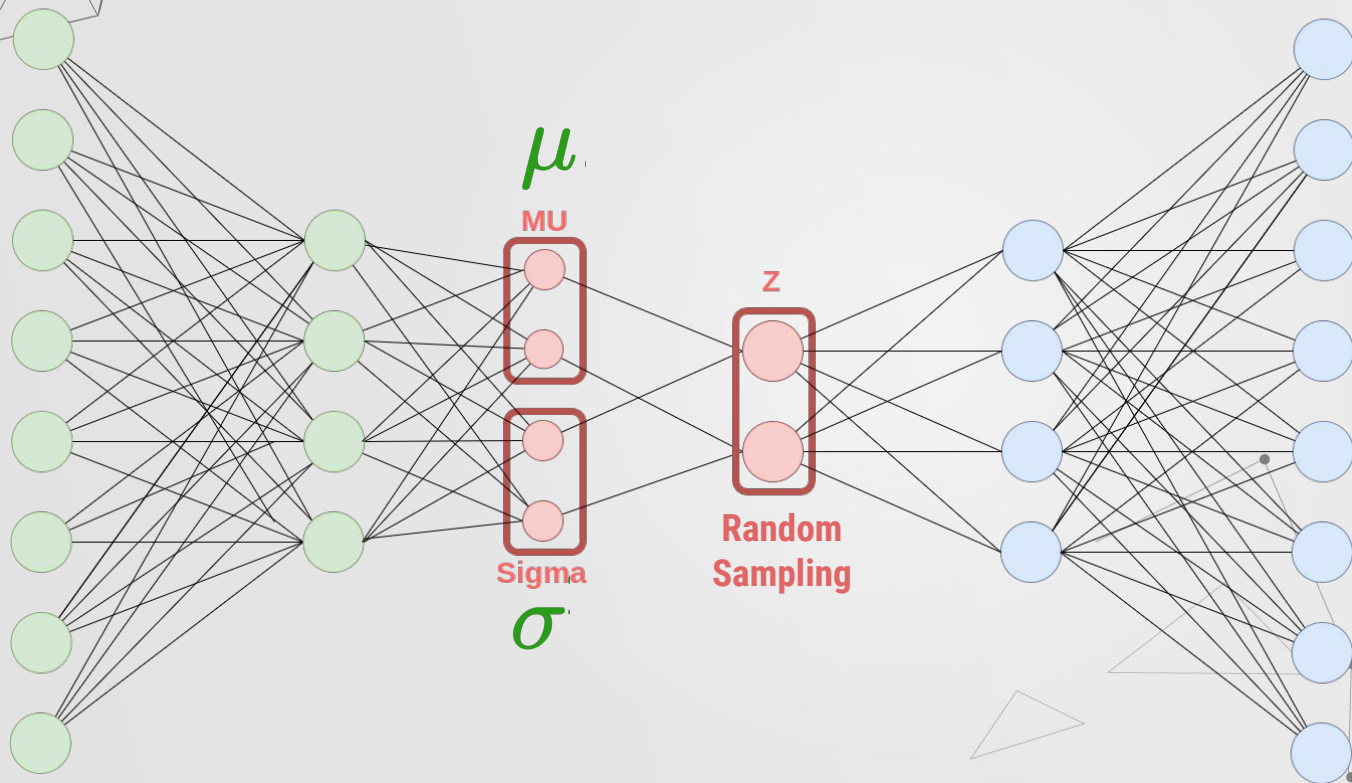
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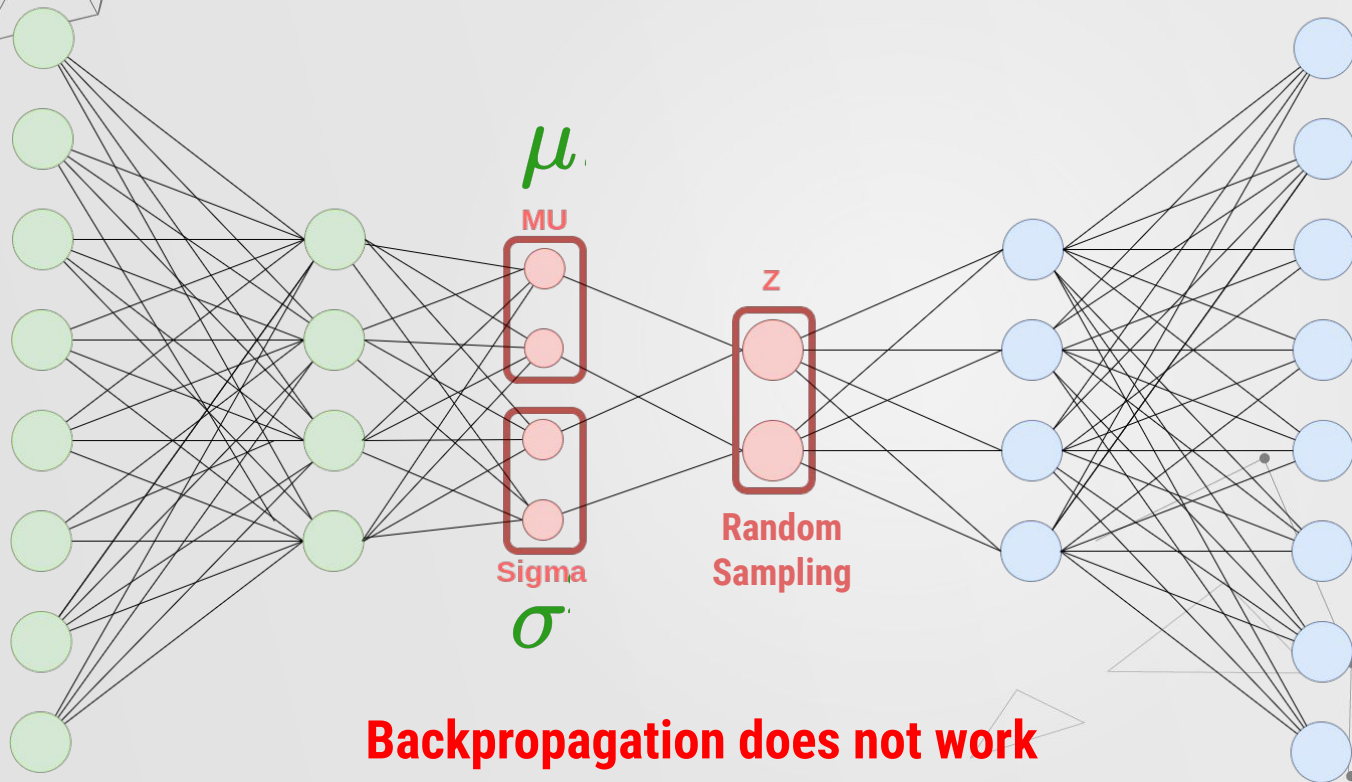


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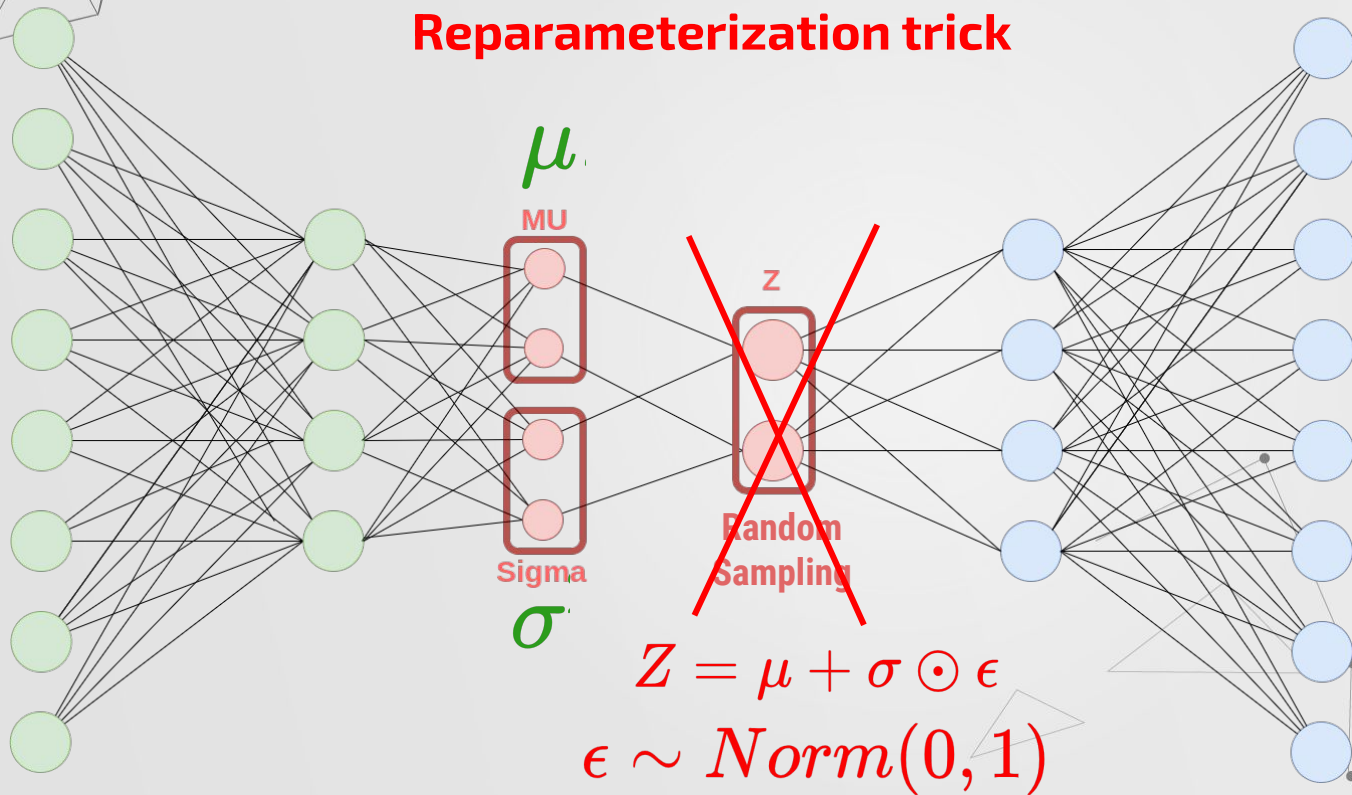
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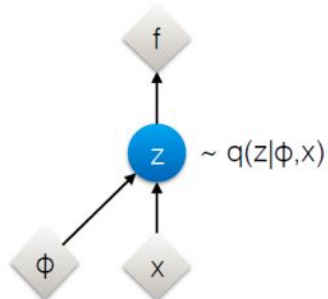
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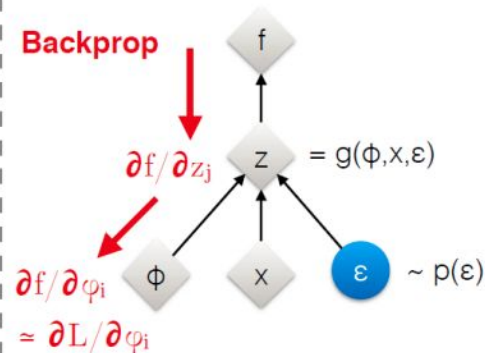
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Original form



Reparameterised form



 : Deterministic node

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[Kingma, 2013]

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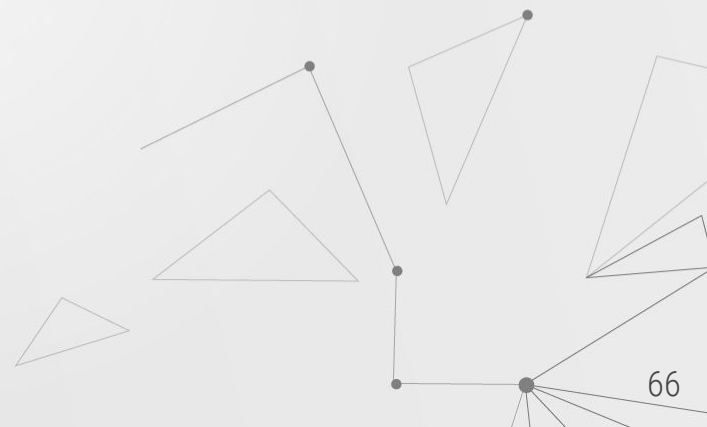
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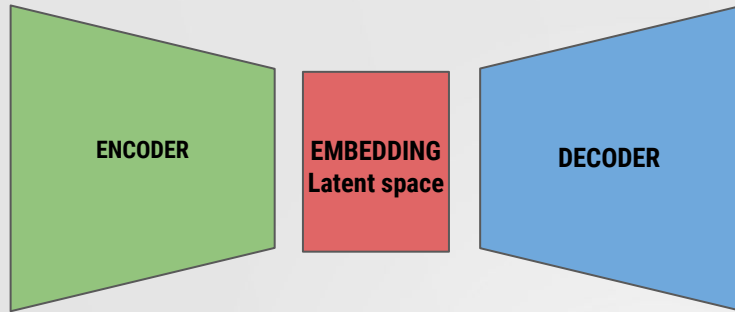
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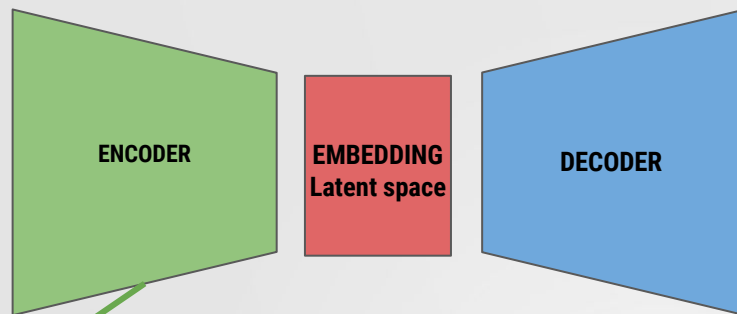
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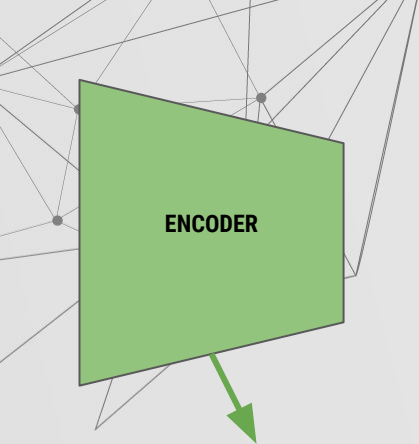


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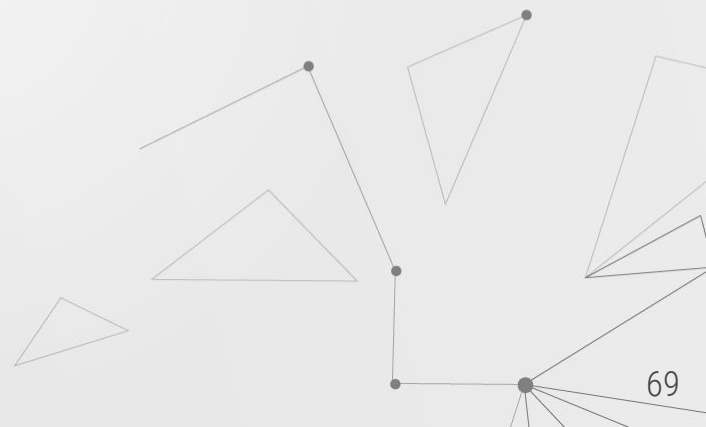
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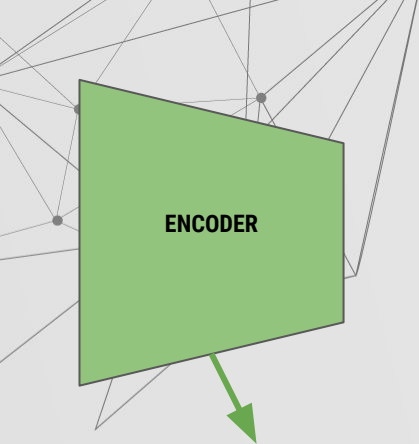
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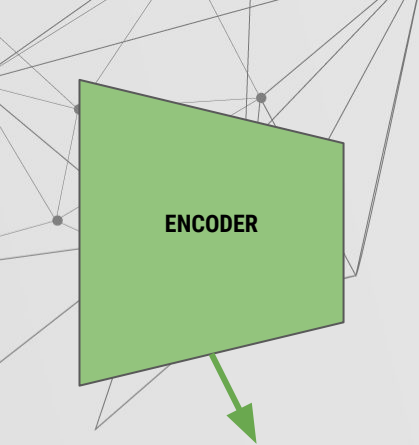
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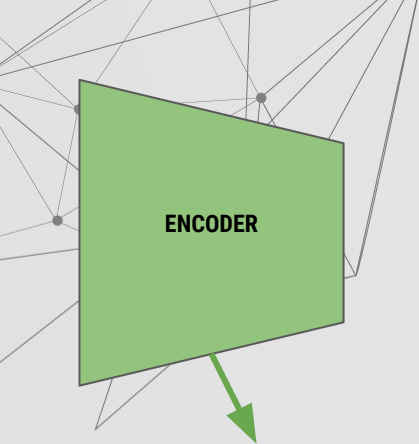
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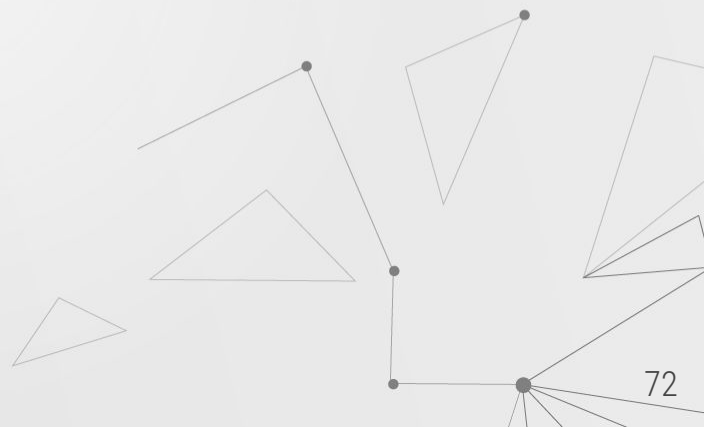
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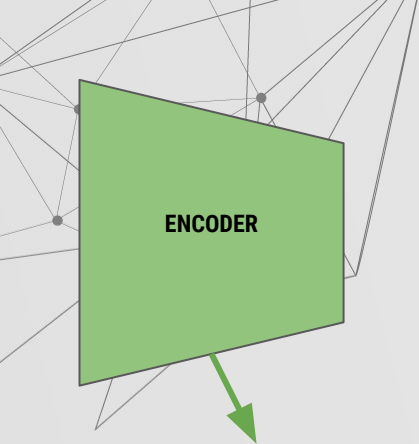
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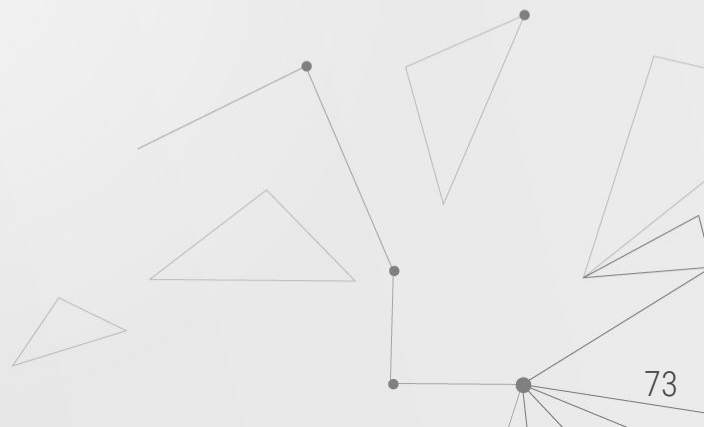
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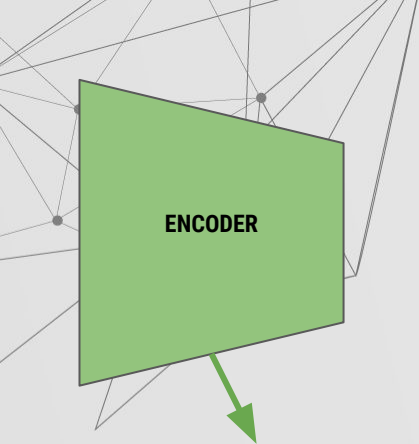
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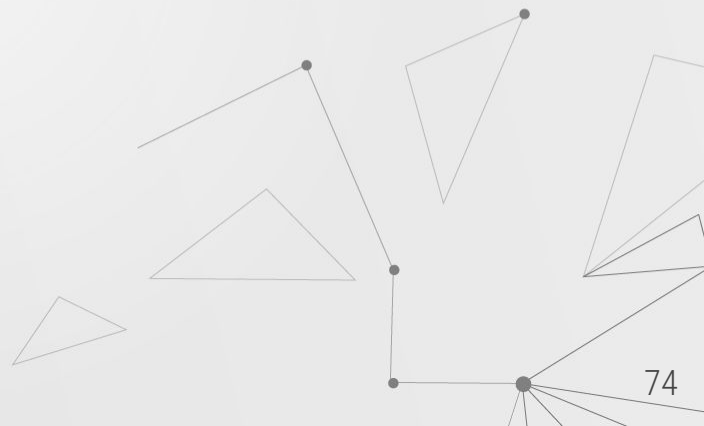
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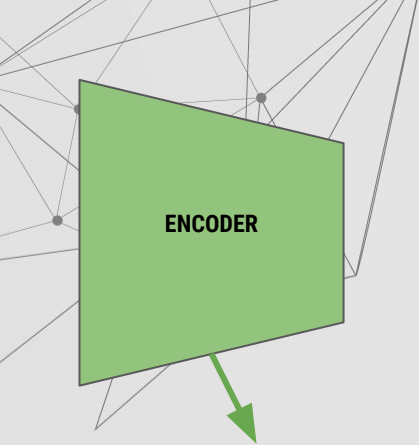
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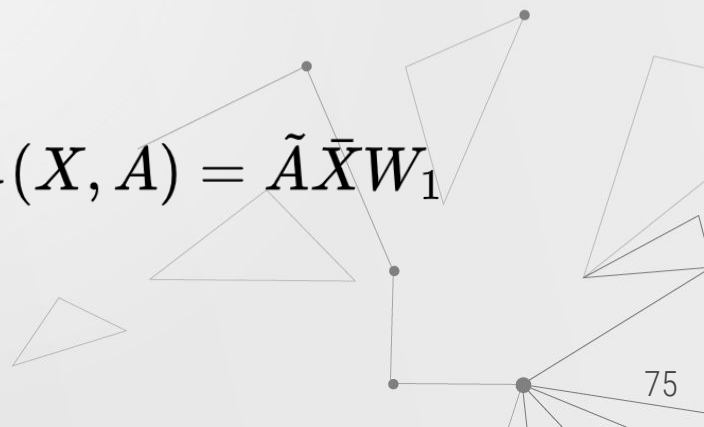
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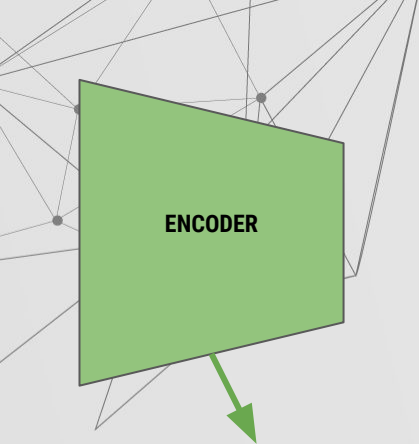
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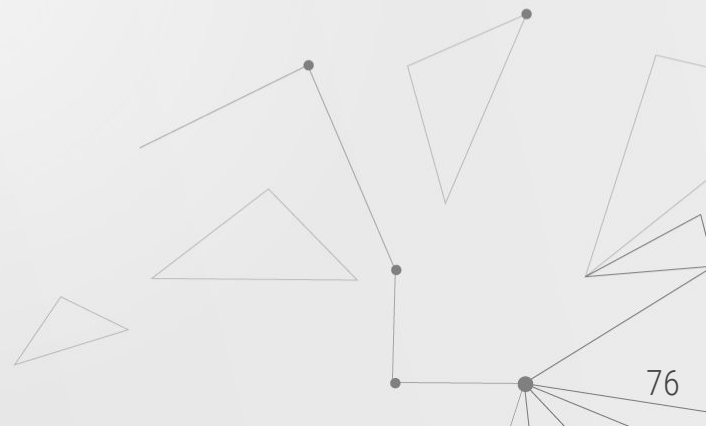


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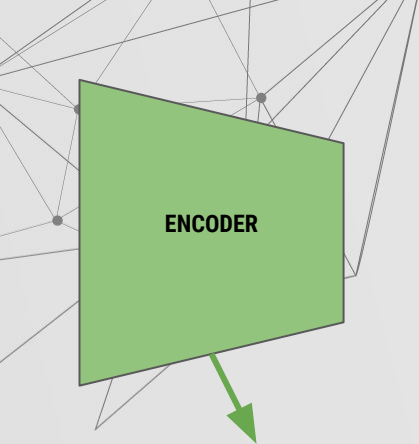


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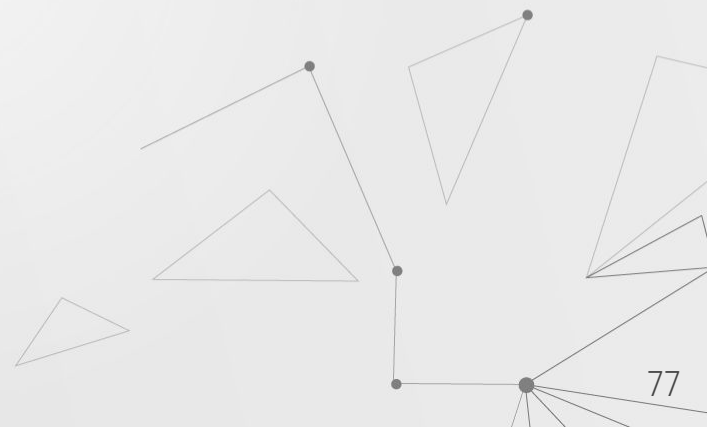


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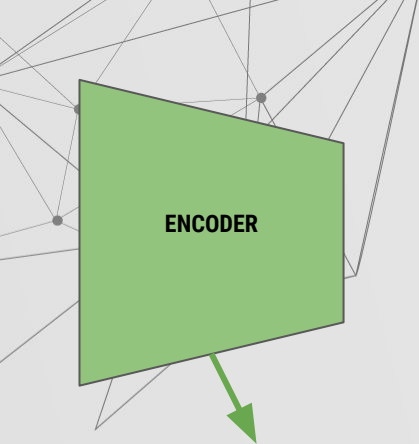


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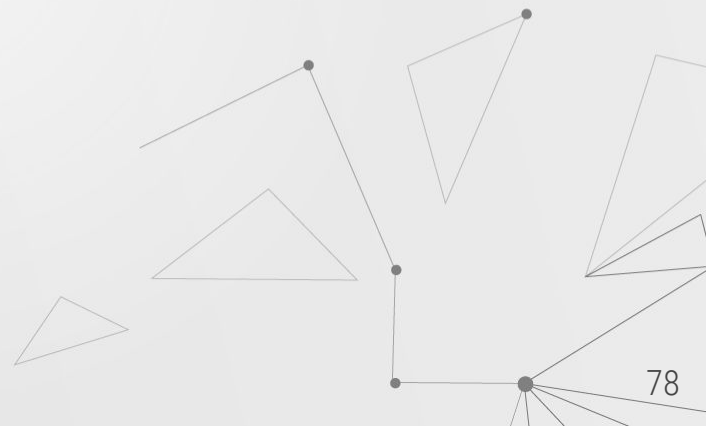


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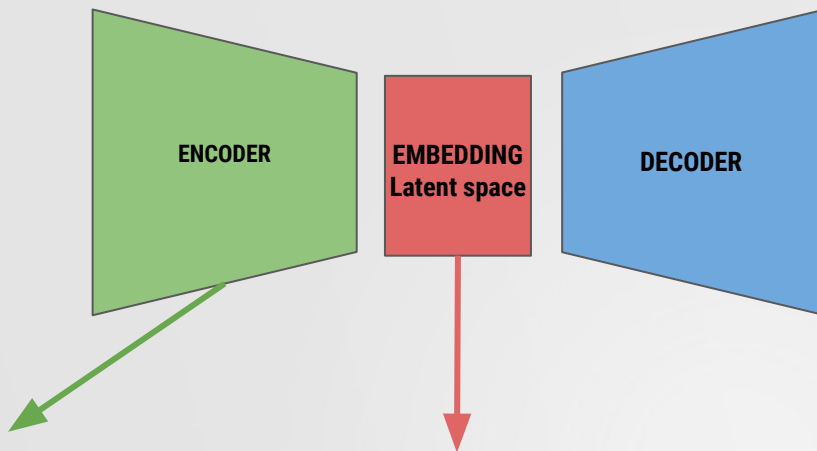
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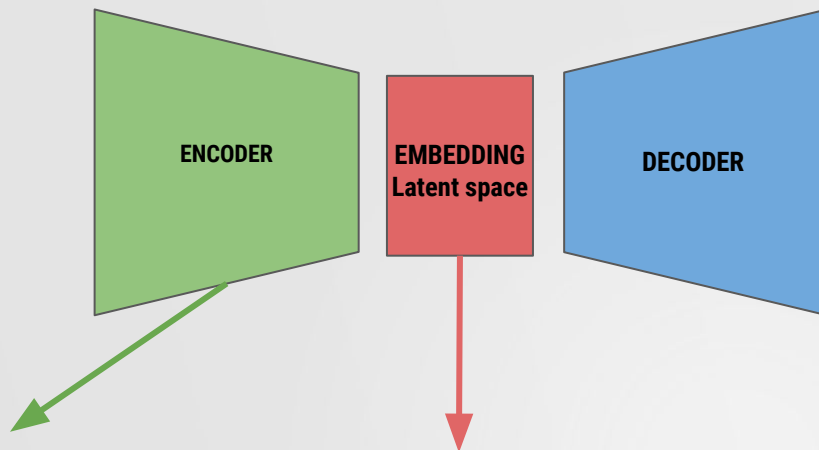


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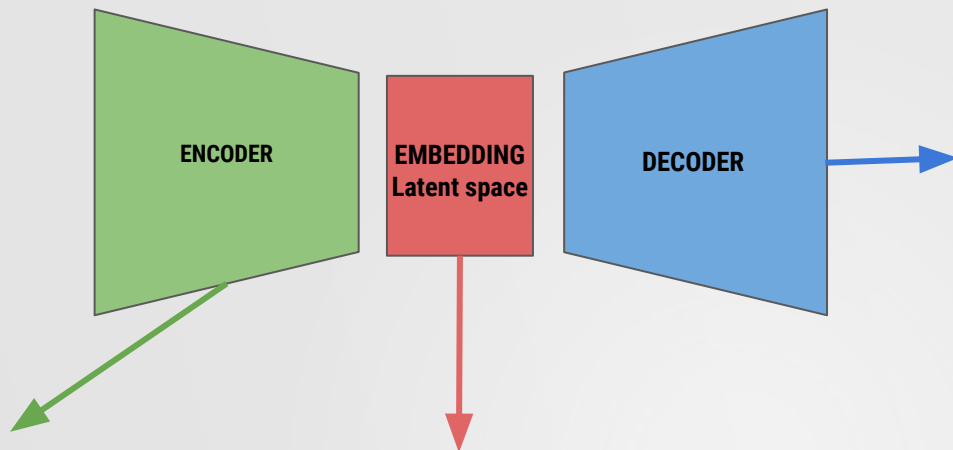


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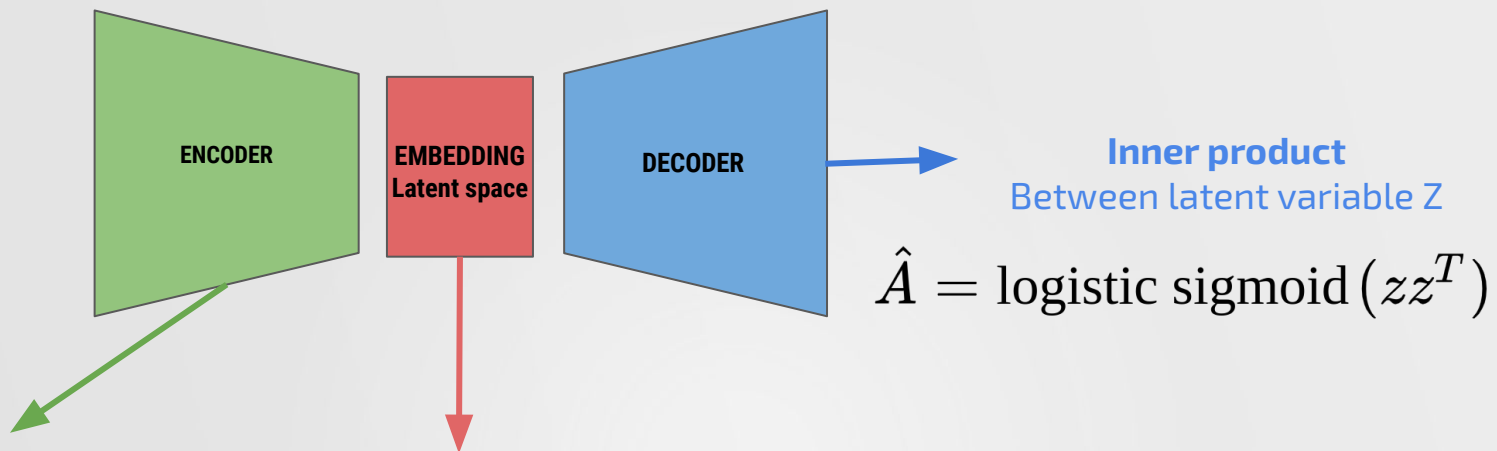


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