



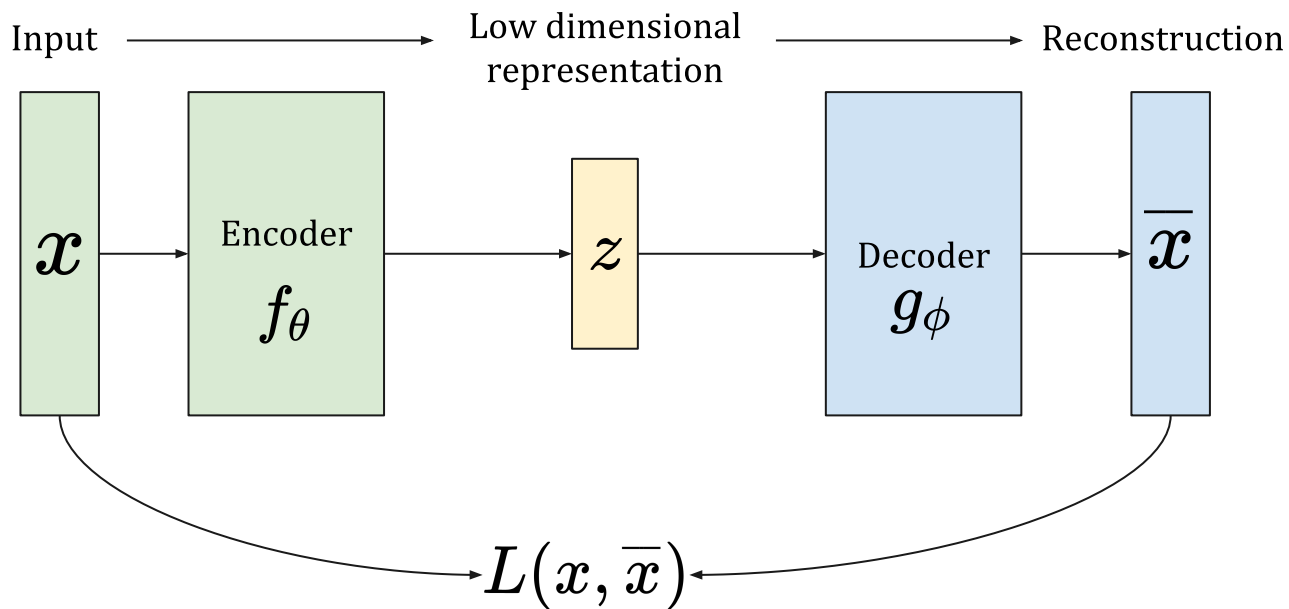
Epitomic Variational Graph Autoencoder

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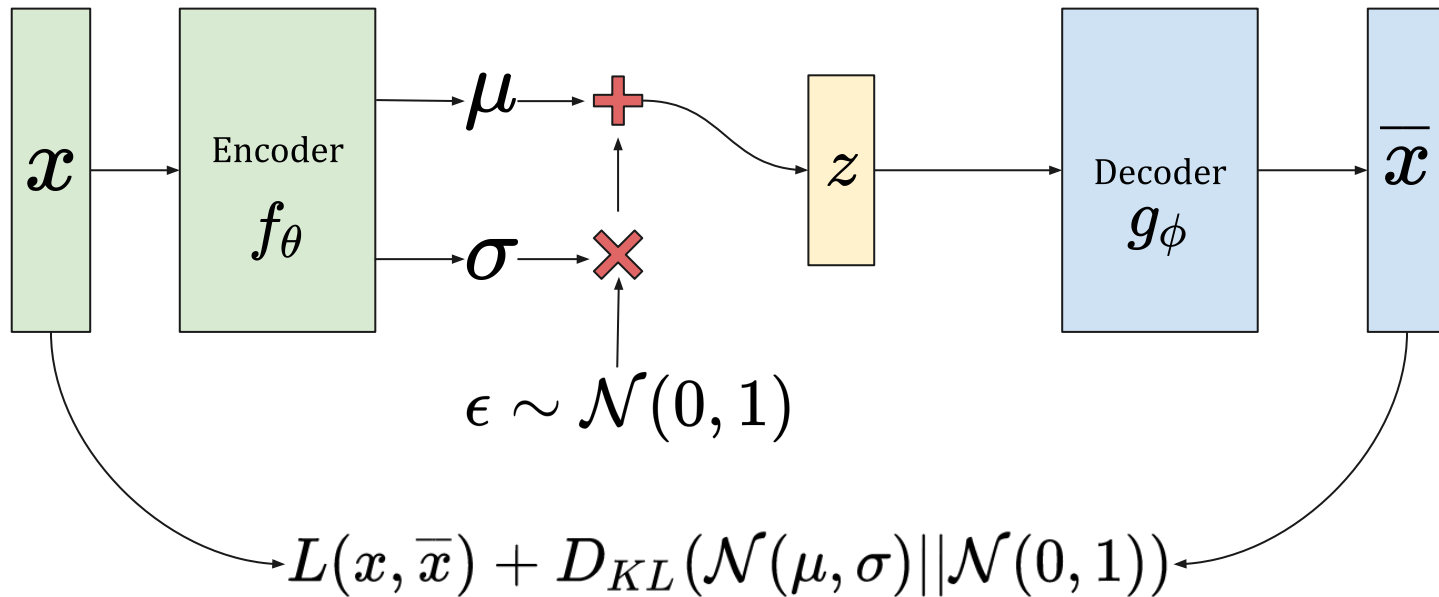


Overview

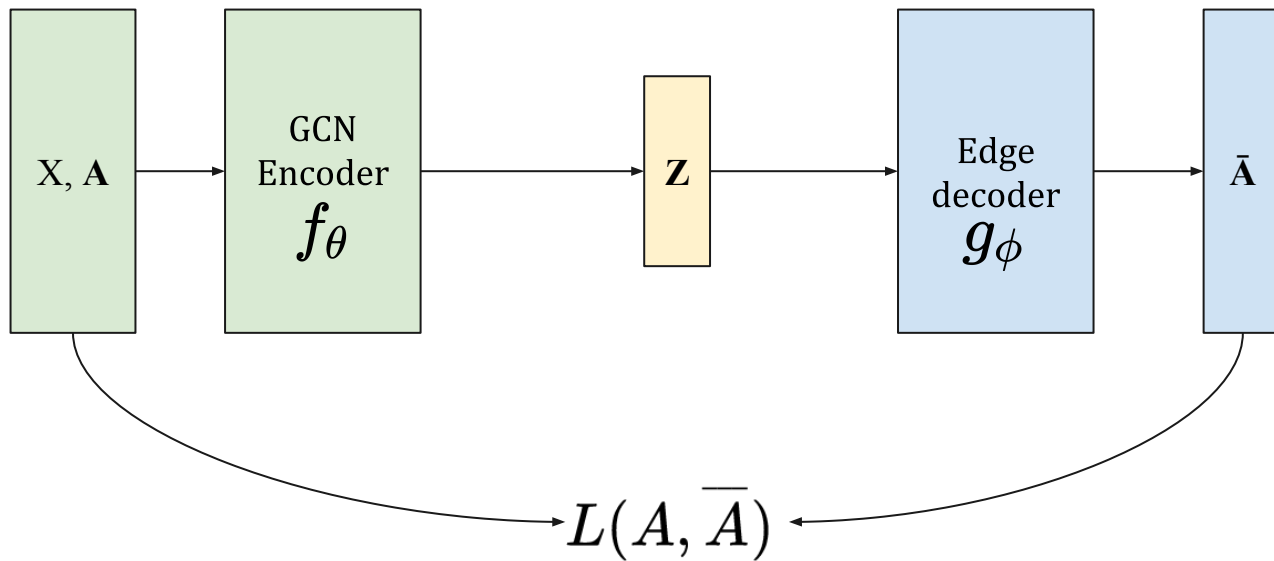
Autoencoder



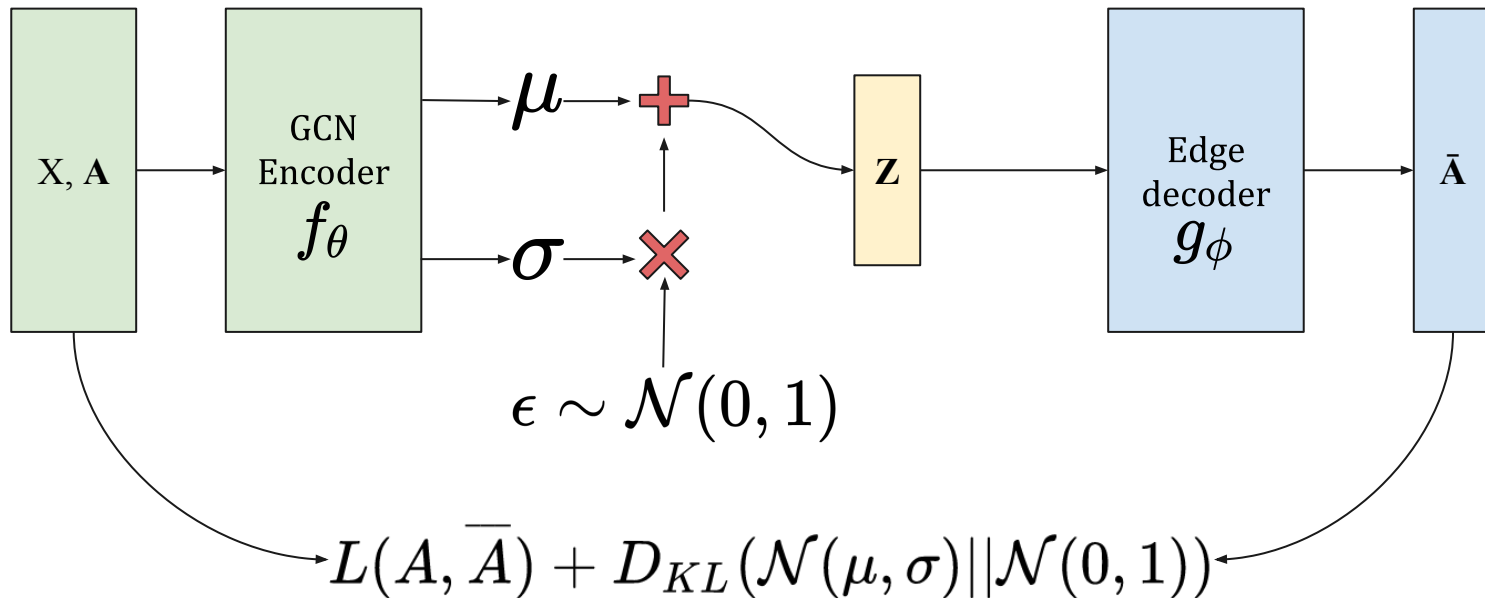
Variational Autoencoder (VAE)



Graph Autoencoder (GAE)



Variational Graph Autoencoder (VGAE)



Over-pruning



Over-pruning in VGAE

VGAE loss function penalizes the latent dimensions/units that **fail to convey enough** information about the input to the decoder block.



Unit Activity

Intuition:

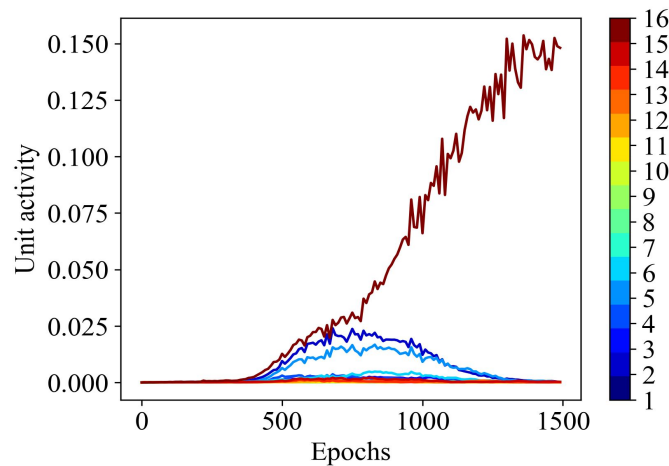
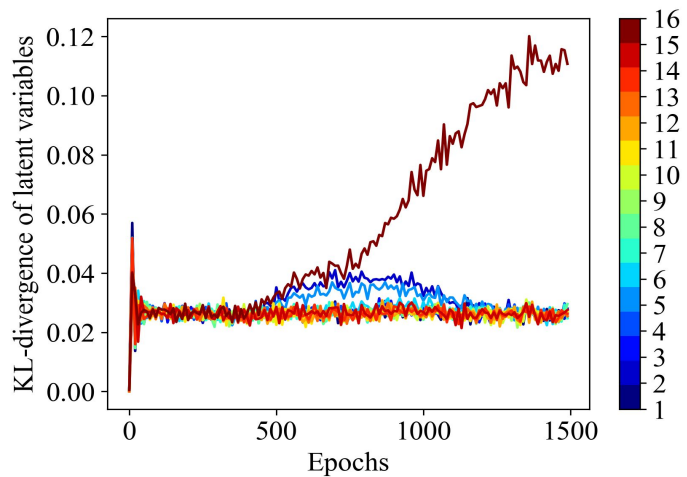
An active unit should have different values for different inputs.

Definition:

$$A_u = \text{Cov}_x(\mathbb{E}_{u \sim q(u|x)}[u])$$

A unit u is considered *active* if $A_u > 0.02$

KLD & Unit Activity in *Pure* VGAE - Cora Dataset



Only one out of 16 hidden units is actively encoding input information required for the reconstruction.

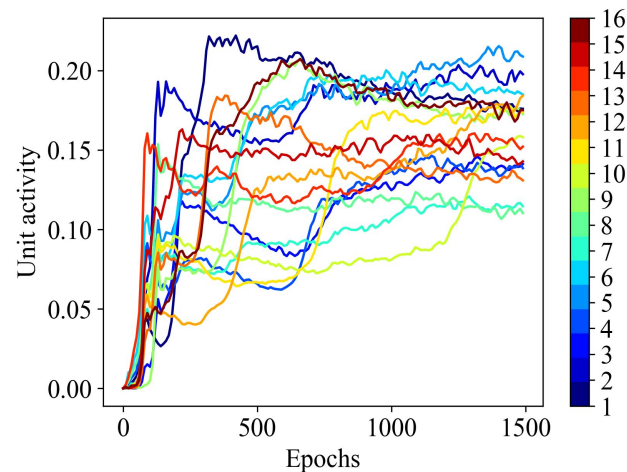
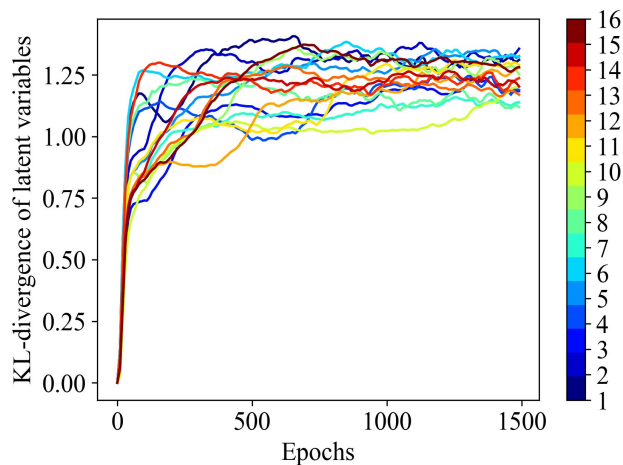


VGAE Approach to Tackle Over-pruning

$$L_{\text{VGAE}} = L(A, \bar{A}) + \beta D_{KL}(\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma) || \mathcal{N}(0, 1))$$

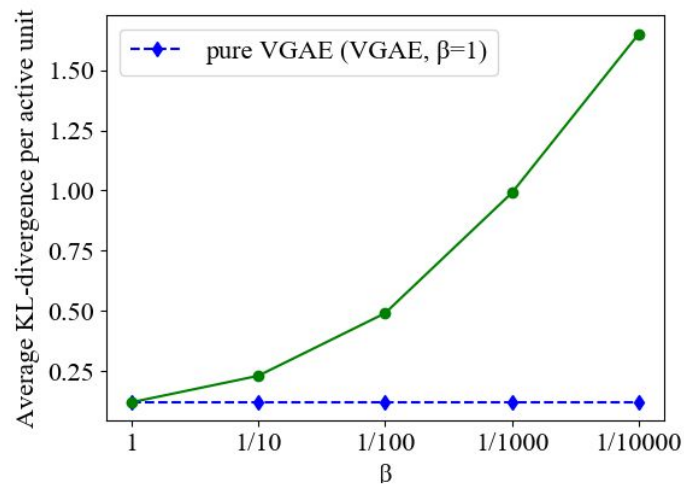
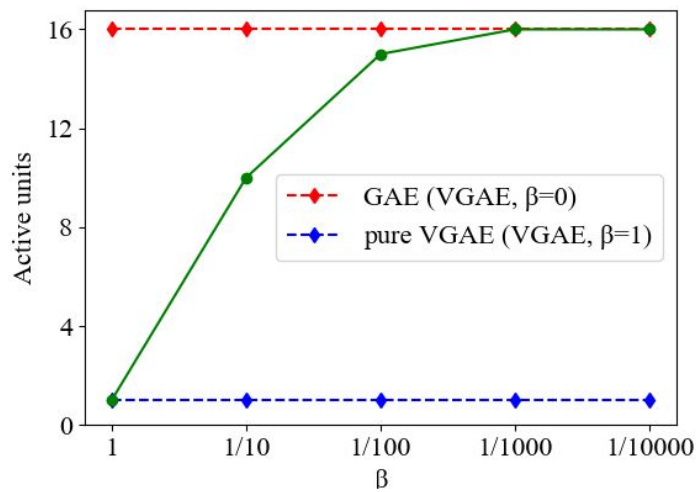
- VGAE applies $\beta = \frac{1}{N}$
- Less pruning compared to *pure* VGAE
- Poor distribution matching \rightarrow poor generativeness
- VGAE \rightarrow GAE as $\beta \rightarrow 0$

KLD & Unit Activity in VGAE - Cora Dataset



All the hidden units are active but KL-divergence is quite high, indicating poor matching of learnt distribution with prior, consequently affecting generative ability of the model

Effect of β on VGAE - Cora Dataset

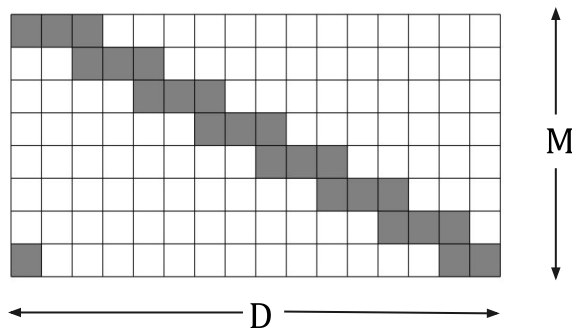


As β decreases, both number of active units and average KLD of active units increases.

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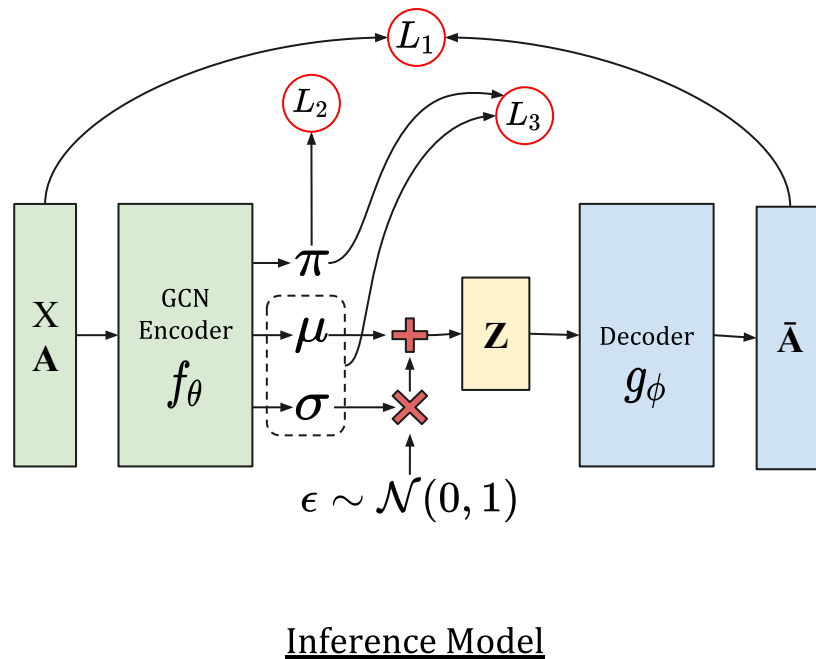
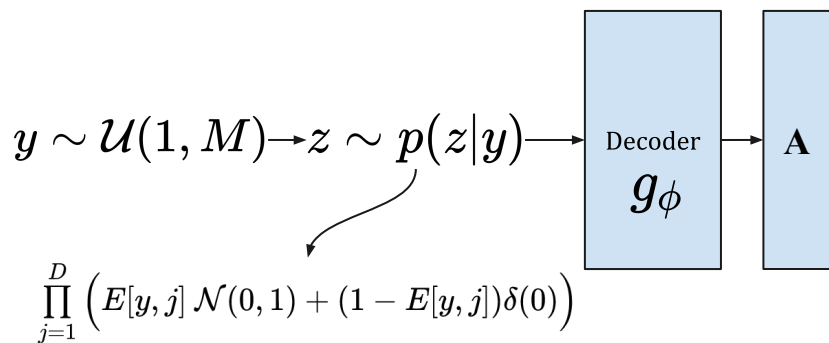
Epitomic VGAE (EVGAE)

- EVGAE consists of multiple sparse VGAE models, called epitomes.
- One epitome is active for each training sample.
- Latent space is shared between the epitomes.



Example of 8 epitomes in 16 dimensions. Gray and white cells refer to 1 and 0 respectively.

Epitomic VGAE (EVGAE)

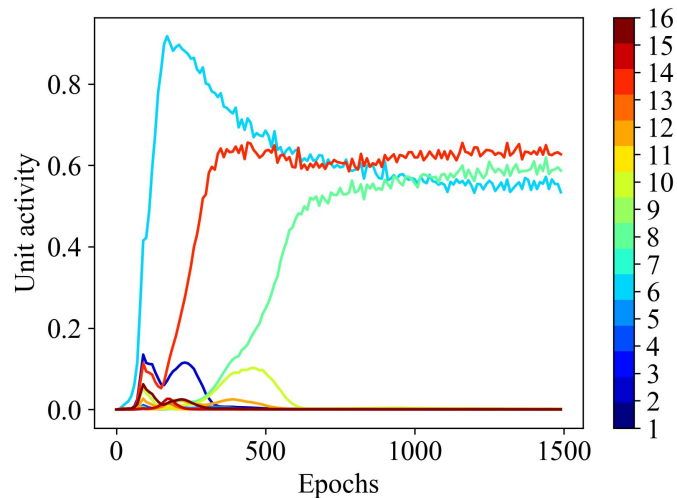
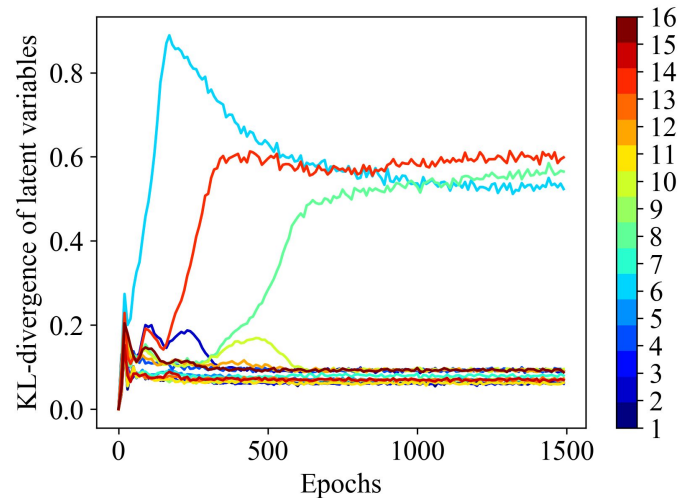




EVGAE - Loss Function

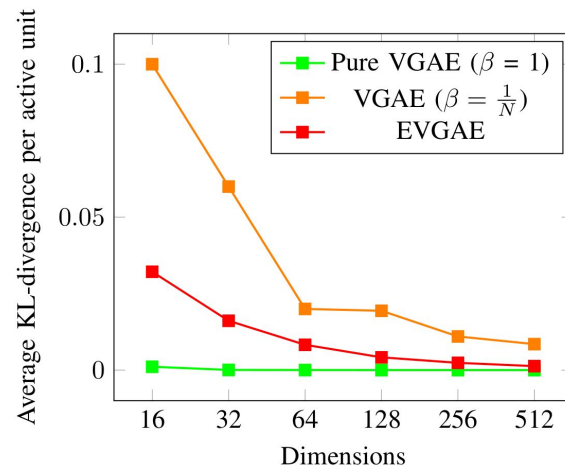
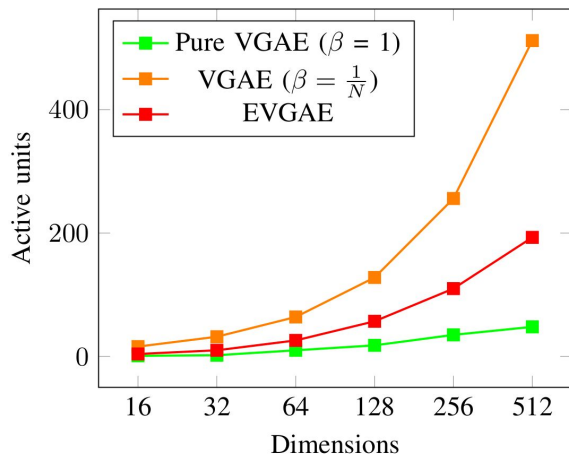
$$L = \underbrace{\text{BCE}}_{L_1} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N D_{KL} \left(\text{Cat}(\pi_i(\mathcal{G})) \parallel \mathcal{U}(1, M) \right)}_{L_2} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{y_i} \pi_i(\mathcal{G}) \sum_{j=1}^D E[y_i, j] D_{KL} \left(\mathcal{N}(\mu_i^j(\mathcal{G}), (\sigma_i^2)^j(\mathcal{G})) \parallel \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \right)}_{L_3}.$$

KLD & Unit Activity in EVGAE - Cora Dataset



EVGAE achieves better distribution matching compared to VGAE, while simultaneously getting more units active.

EVGAE vs VGAE vs *Pure* VGAE - Cora Dataset



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Results on Link Prediction

Method	Cora		Citeseer		PubMed	
	AUC	AP	AUC	AP	AUC	AP
DeepWalk	83.1 ± 0.01	85.0 ± 0.00	80.5 ± 0.02	83.6 ± 0.01	84.4 ± 0.00	84.1 ± 0.0
Spectral Clustering	84.6 ± 0.01	88.5 ± 0.00	80.5 ± 0.01	85.0 ± 0.01	84.2 ± 0.02	87.8 ± 0.01
GAE (VGAE with $\beta = 0$)	91.0 ± 0.02	92.0 ± 0.03	89.5 ± 0.04	89.9 ± 0.05	96.4 ± 0.00	96.5 ± 0.0
VGAE ($\beta \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$)	91.4 ± 0.01	92.6 ± 0.01	90.8 ± 0.02	92.0 ± 0.02	94.4 ± 0.02	94.7 ± 0.0
pure VGAE ($\beta = 1$)	79.44 ± 0.03	80.51 ± 0.02	77.08 ± 0.03	79.07 ± 0.02	82.79 ± 0.01	83.88 ± 0.01
EVGAE ($\beta = 1$)	92.96 ± 0.02	93.58 ± 0.03	91.55 ± 0.03	93.24 ± 0.02	96.80 ± 0.01	96.91 ± 0.02

Thanks!

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