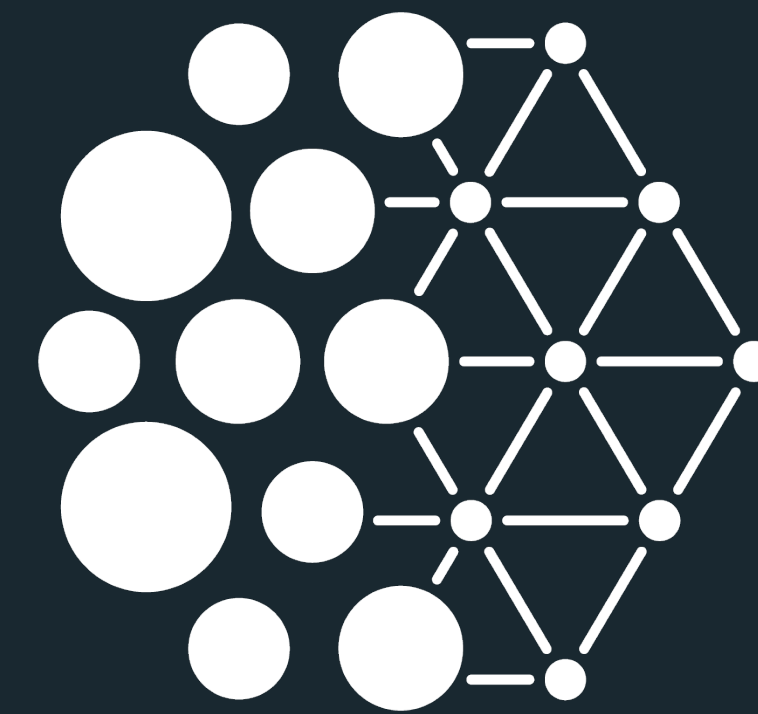


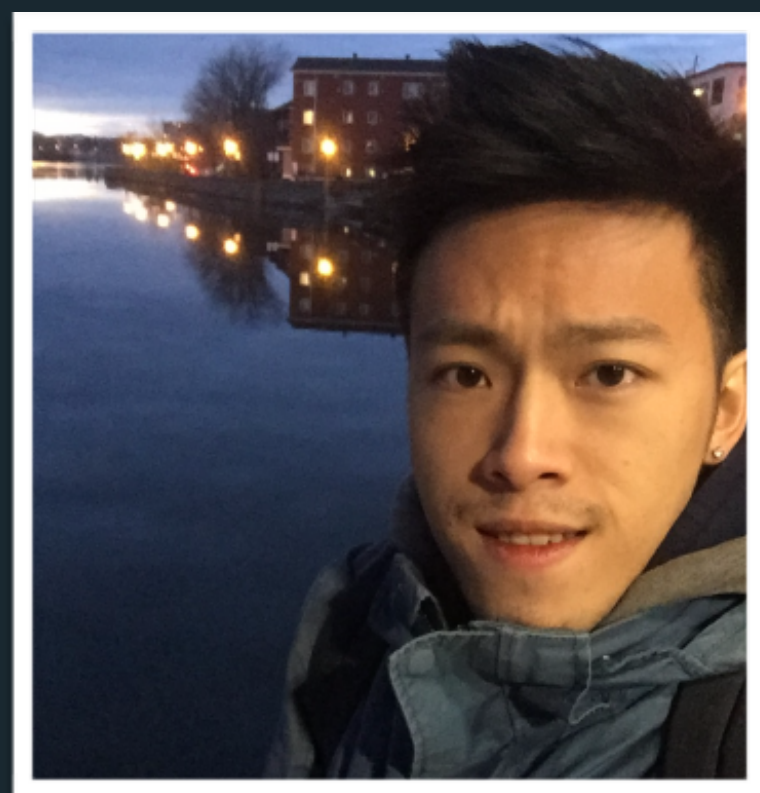
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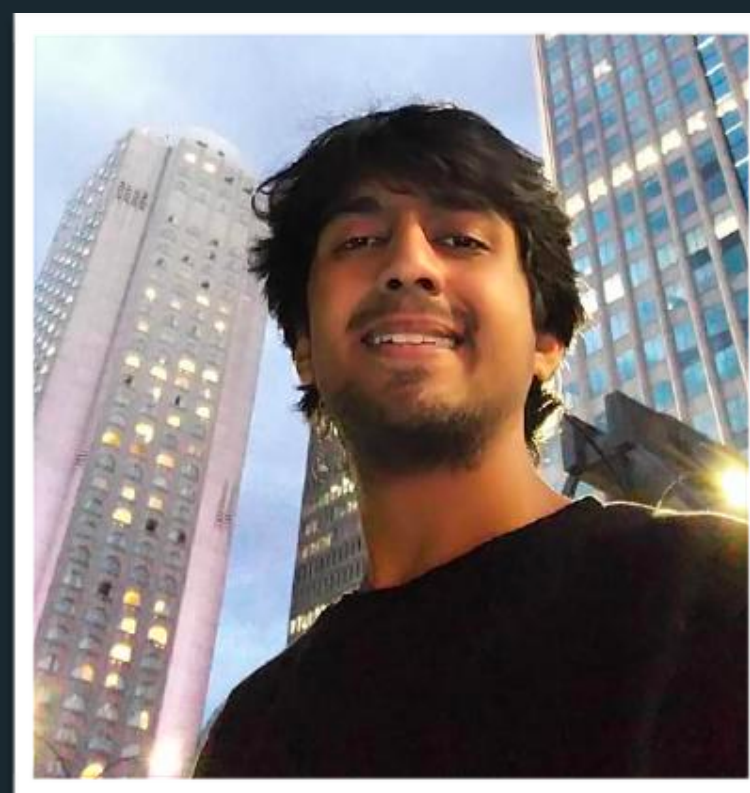
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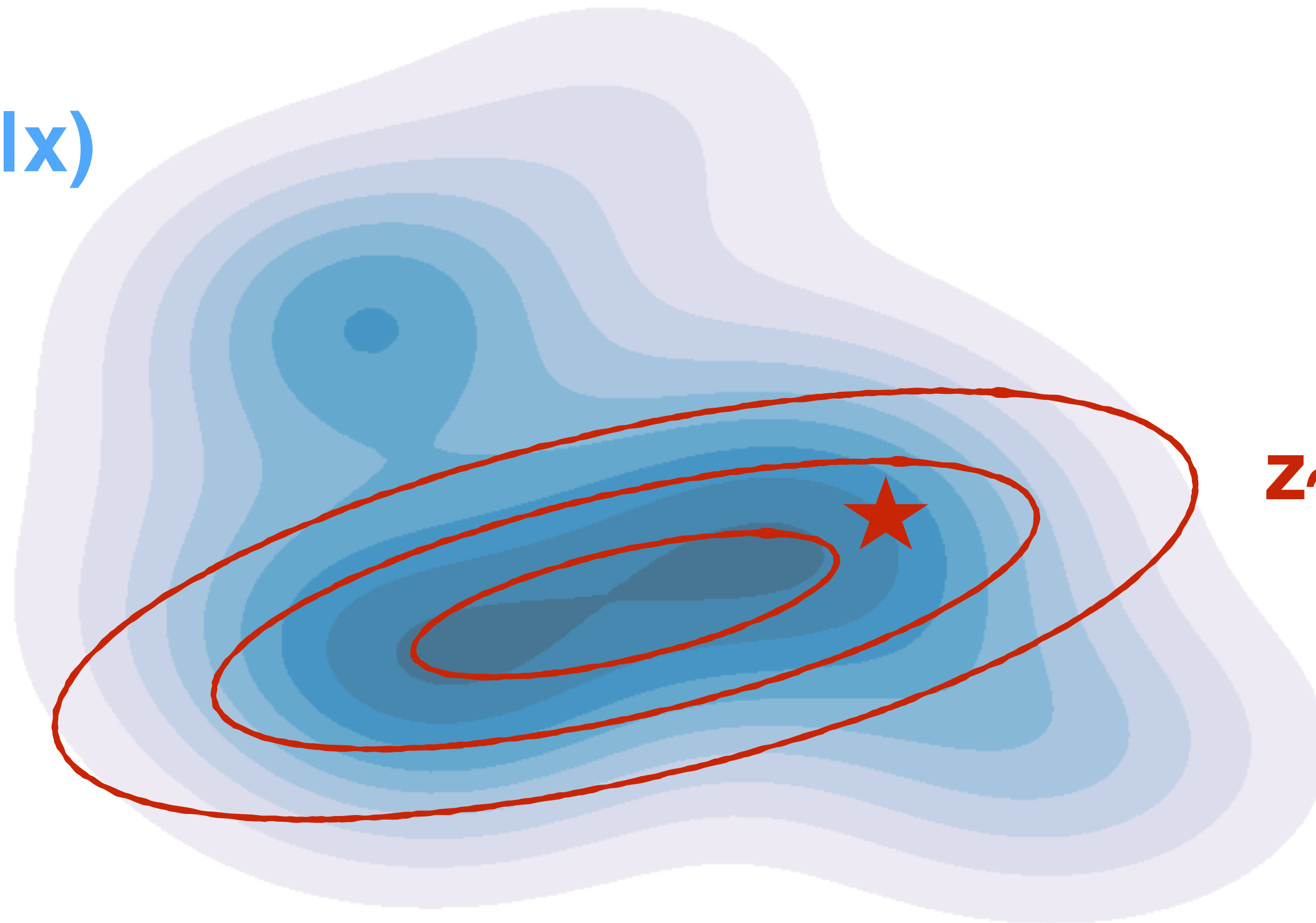
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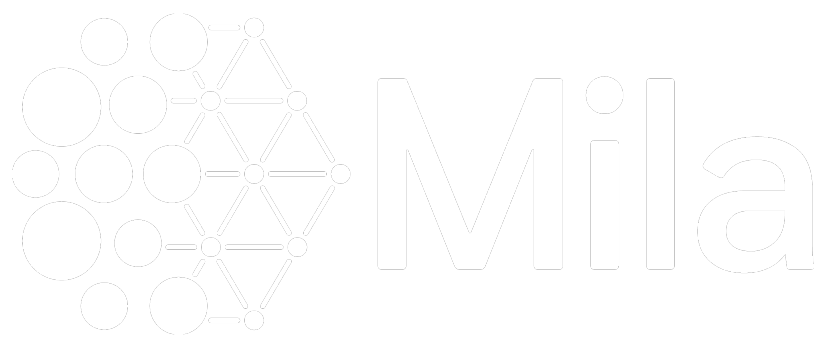


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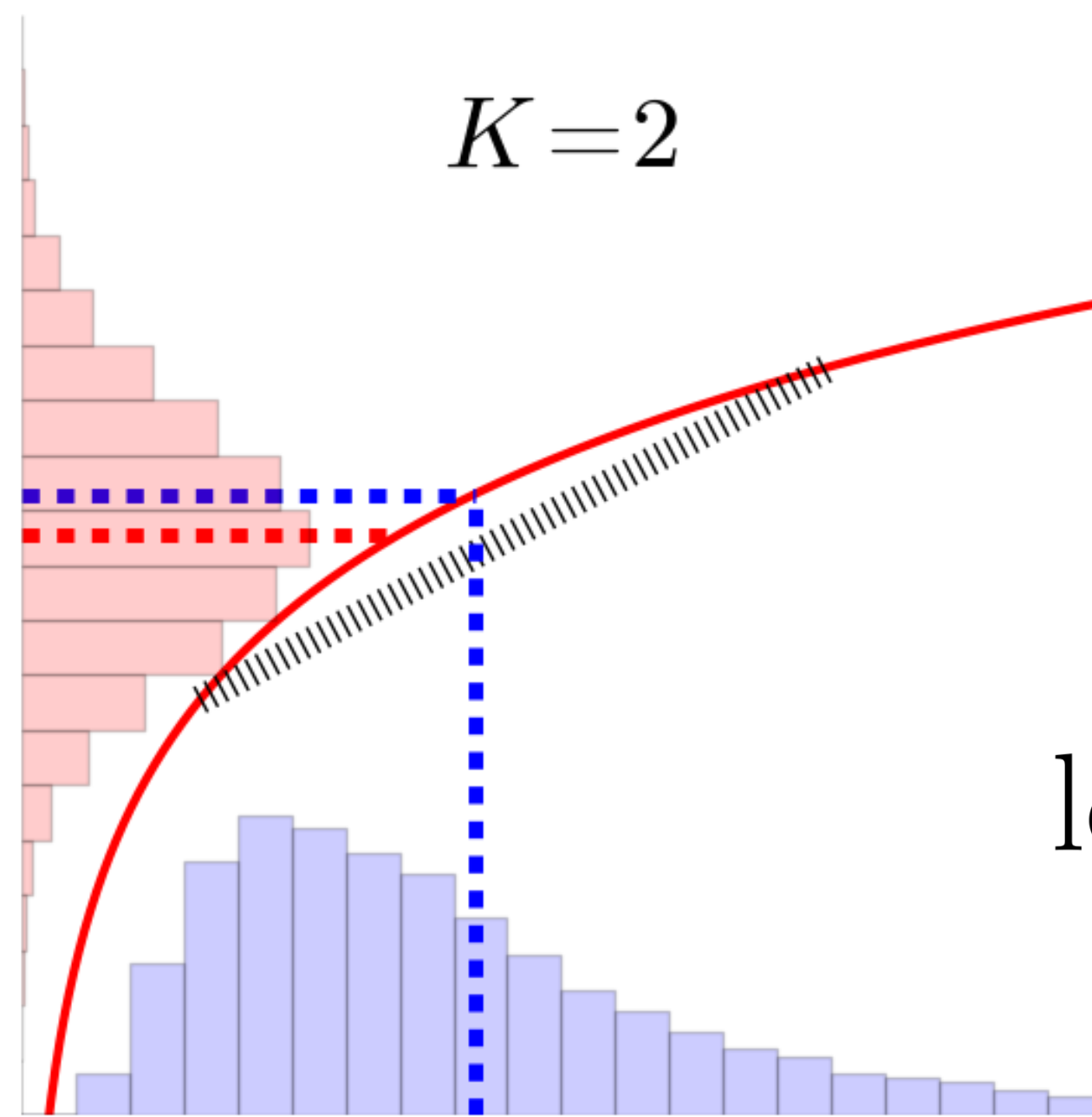
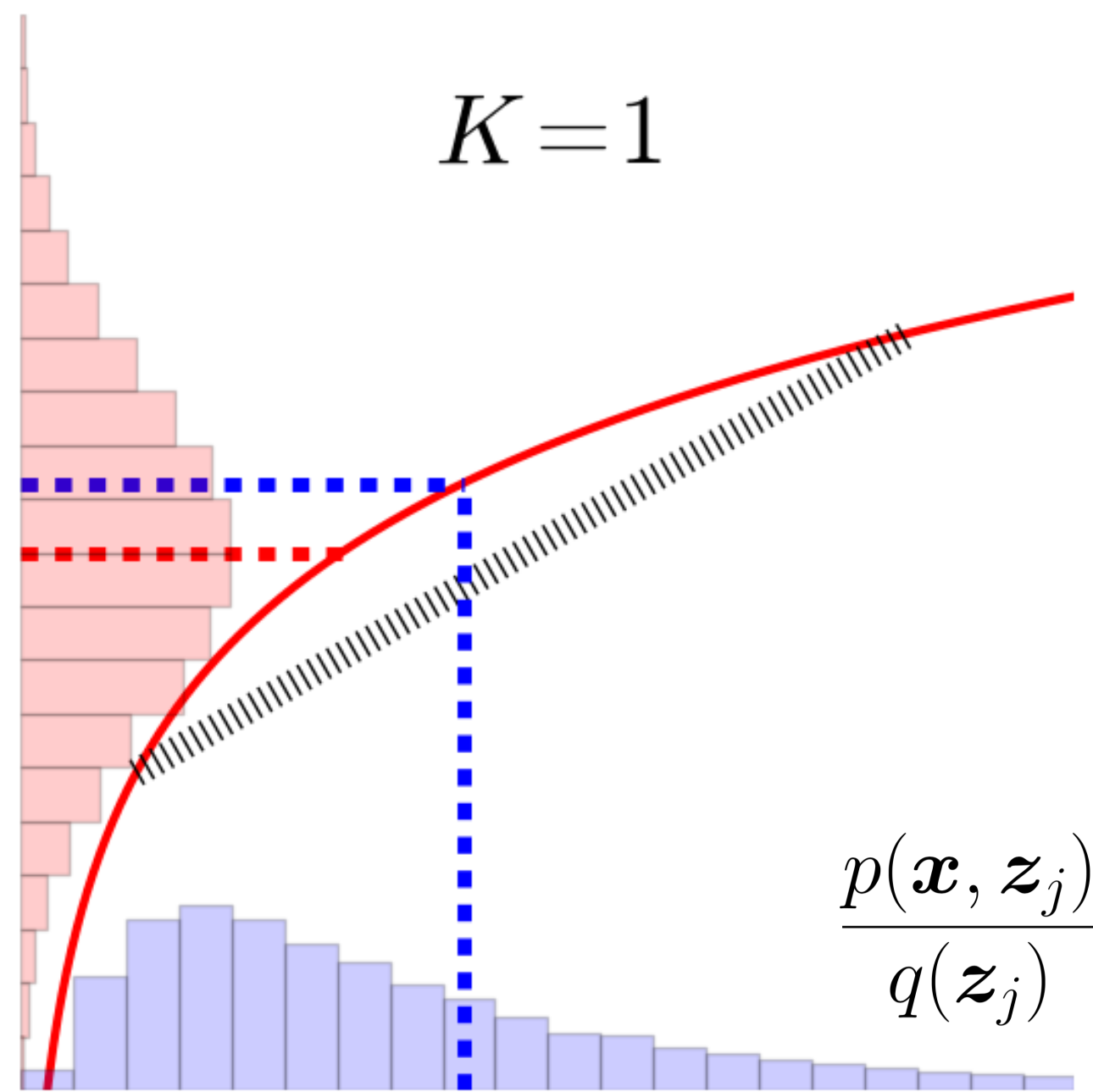
Importance weighted autoencoders (IWAE)



$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\mathbf{x}) &= \log \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}_j \sim q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \left[\frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^K \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_j)}{q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \right] \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}_j \sim q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \left[\log \frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^K \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_j)}{q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \right]\end{aligned}$$



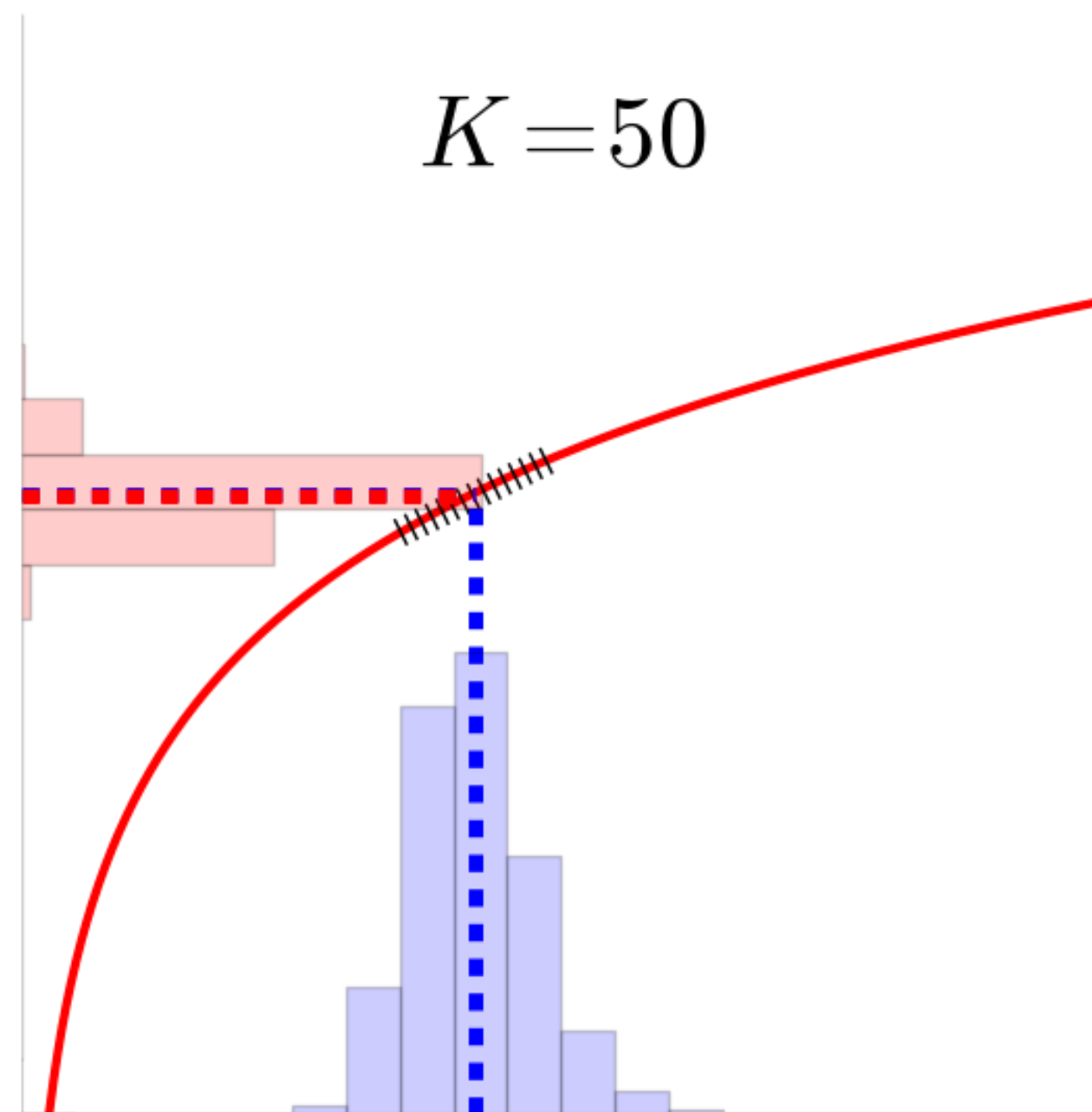
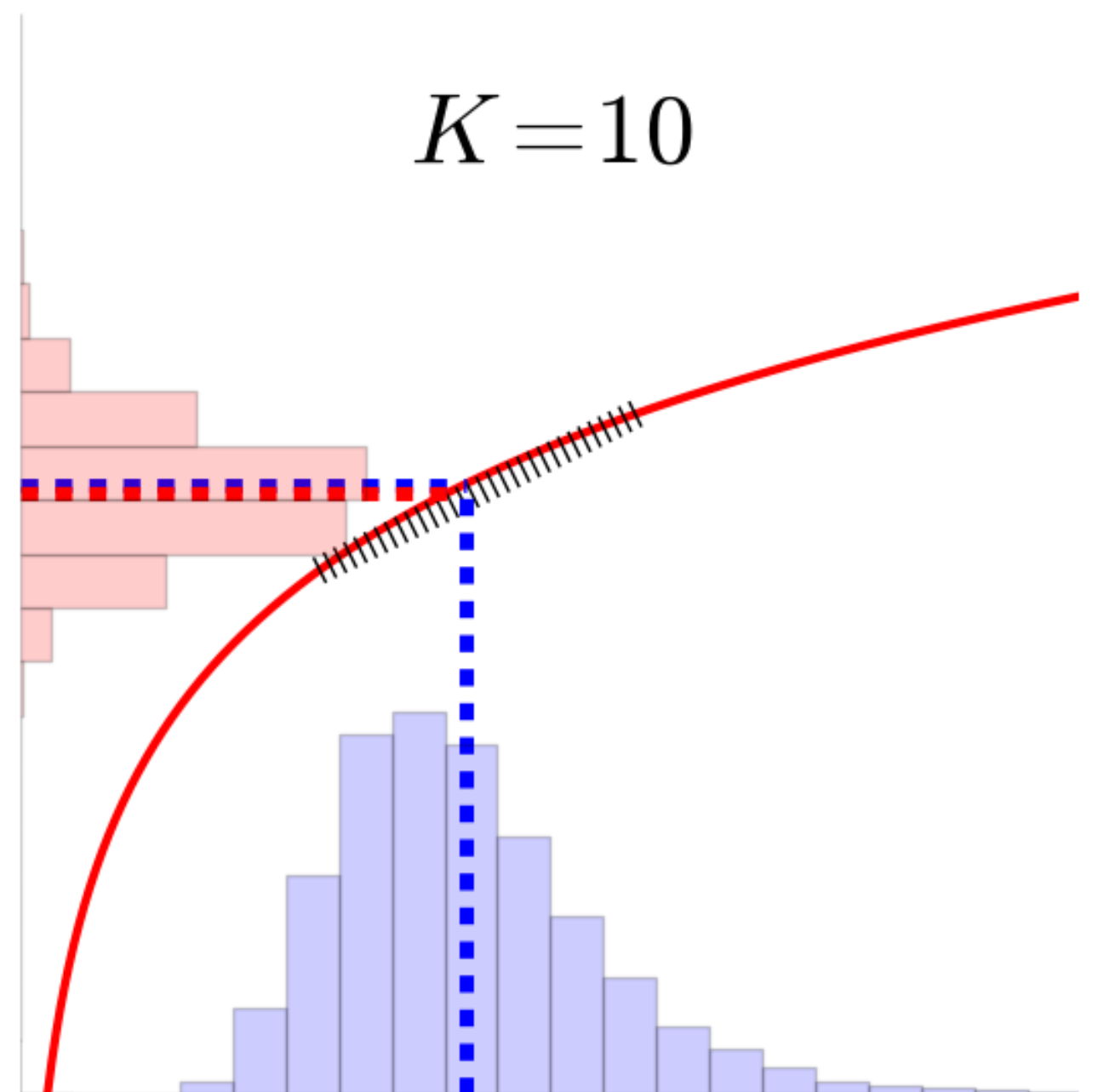
larger K \longrightarrow tighter bound



$\log p(\mathbf{x})$

$$= \log \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}_j \sim q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \left[\frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^K \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_j)}{q(\mathbf{z}_j)} \right]$$

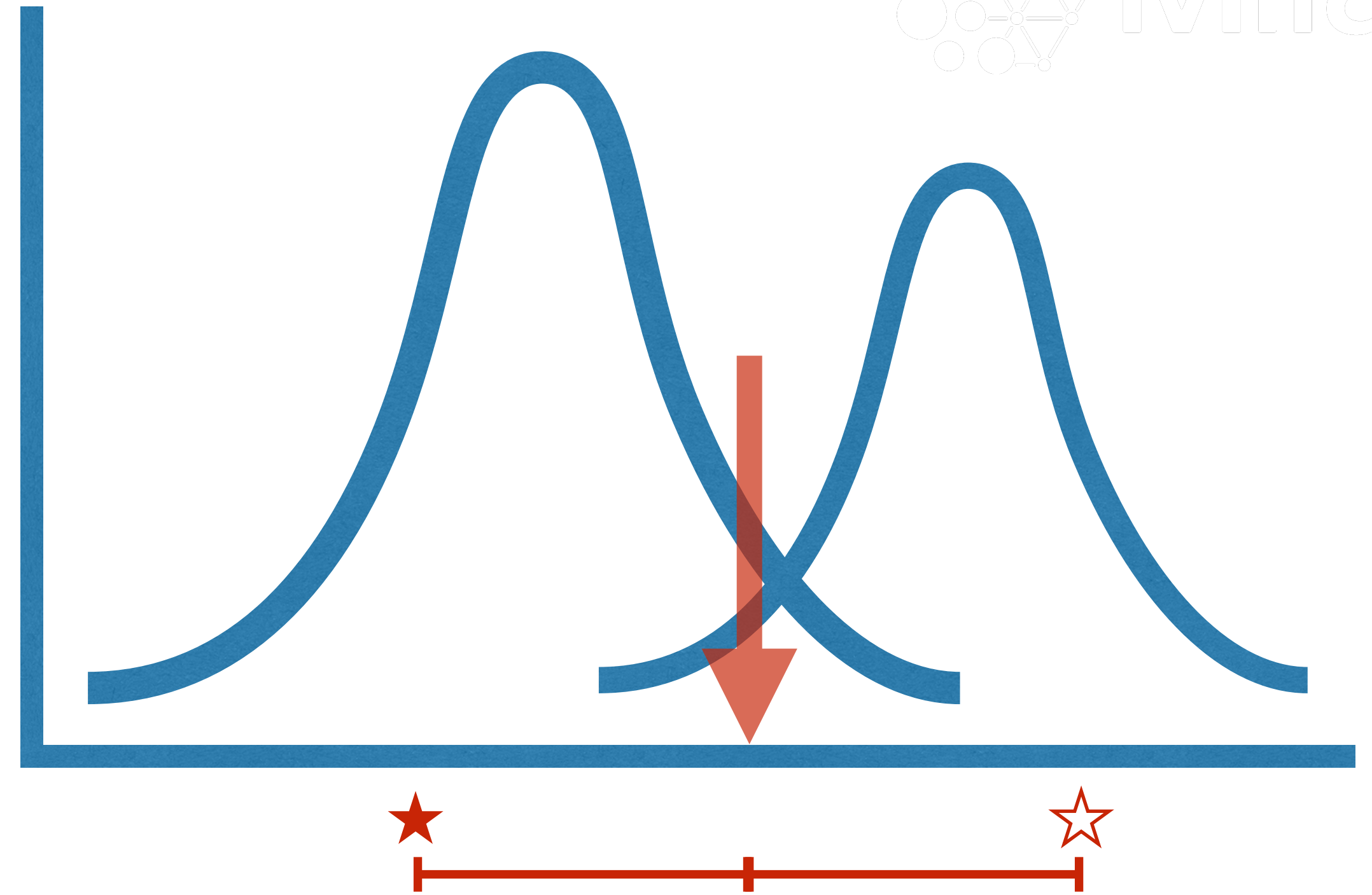
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reduce variance

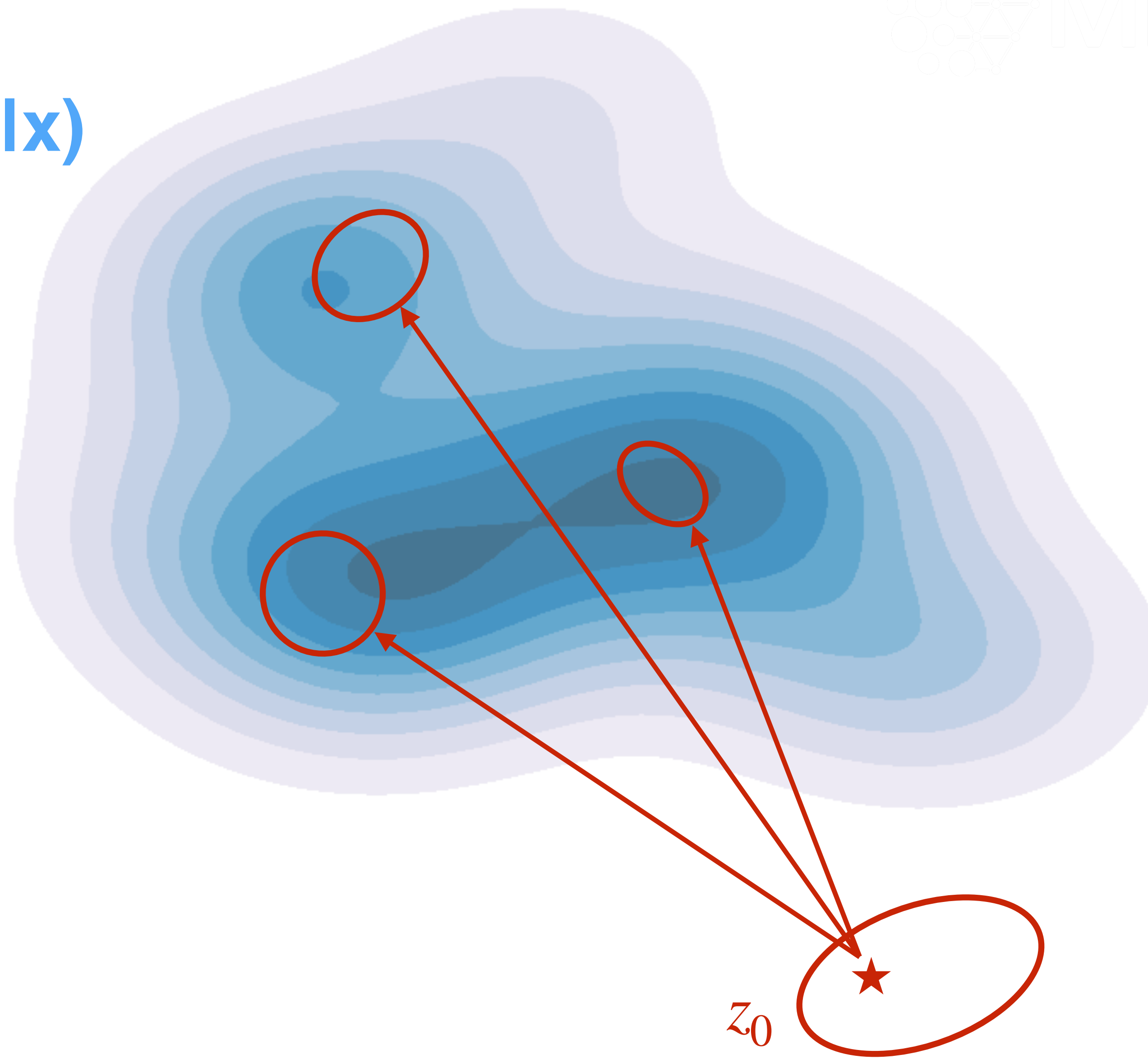
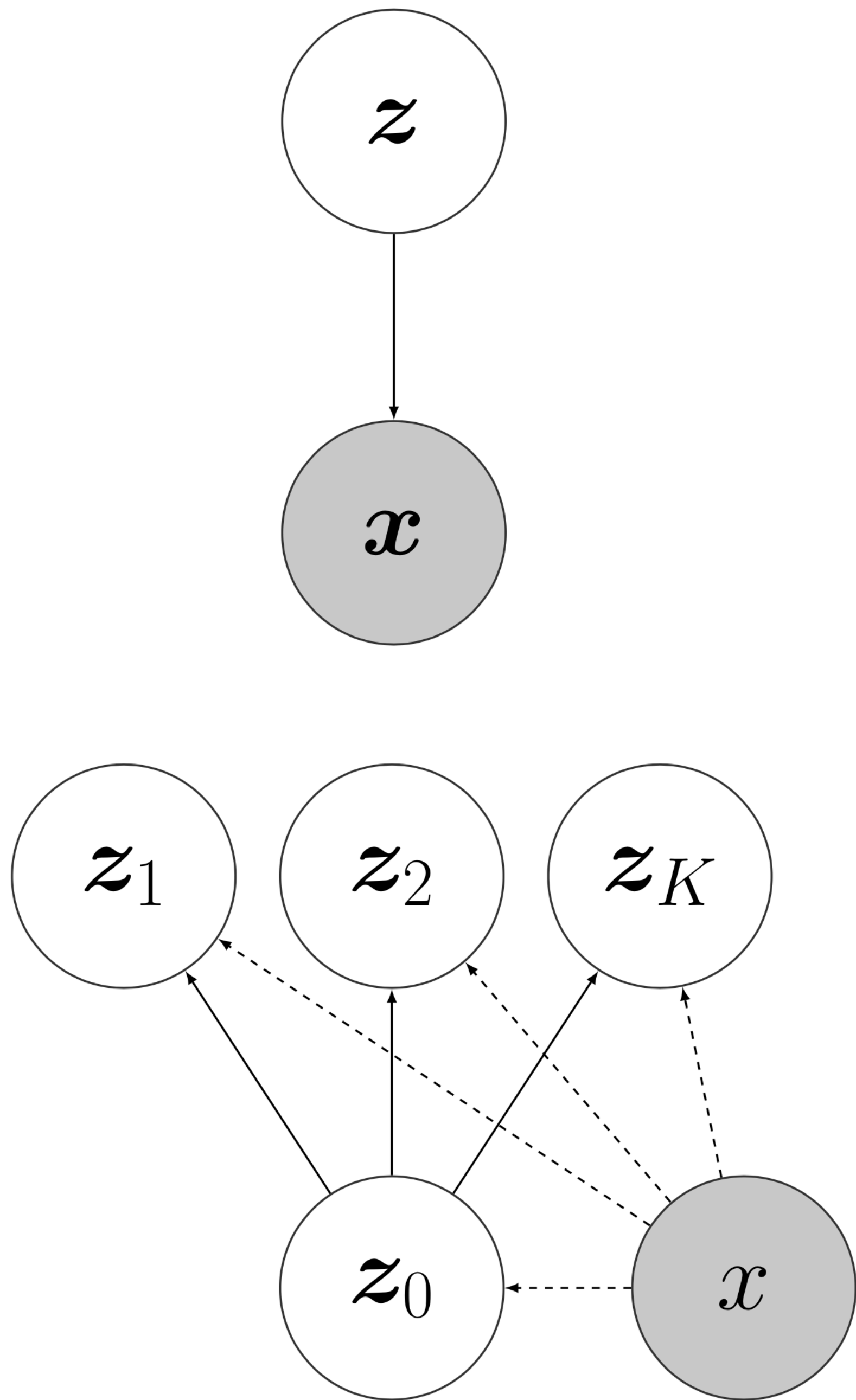
Variance reduction via anti-correlation

$$w = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i w_i \quad w_i = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_i)}{q(\mathbf{z}_i)}$$

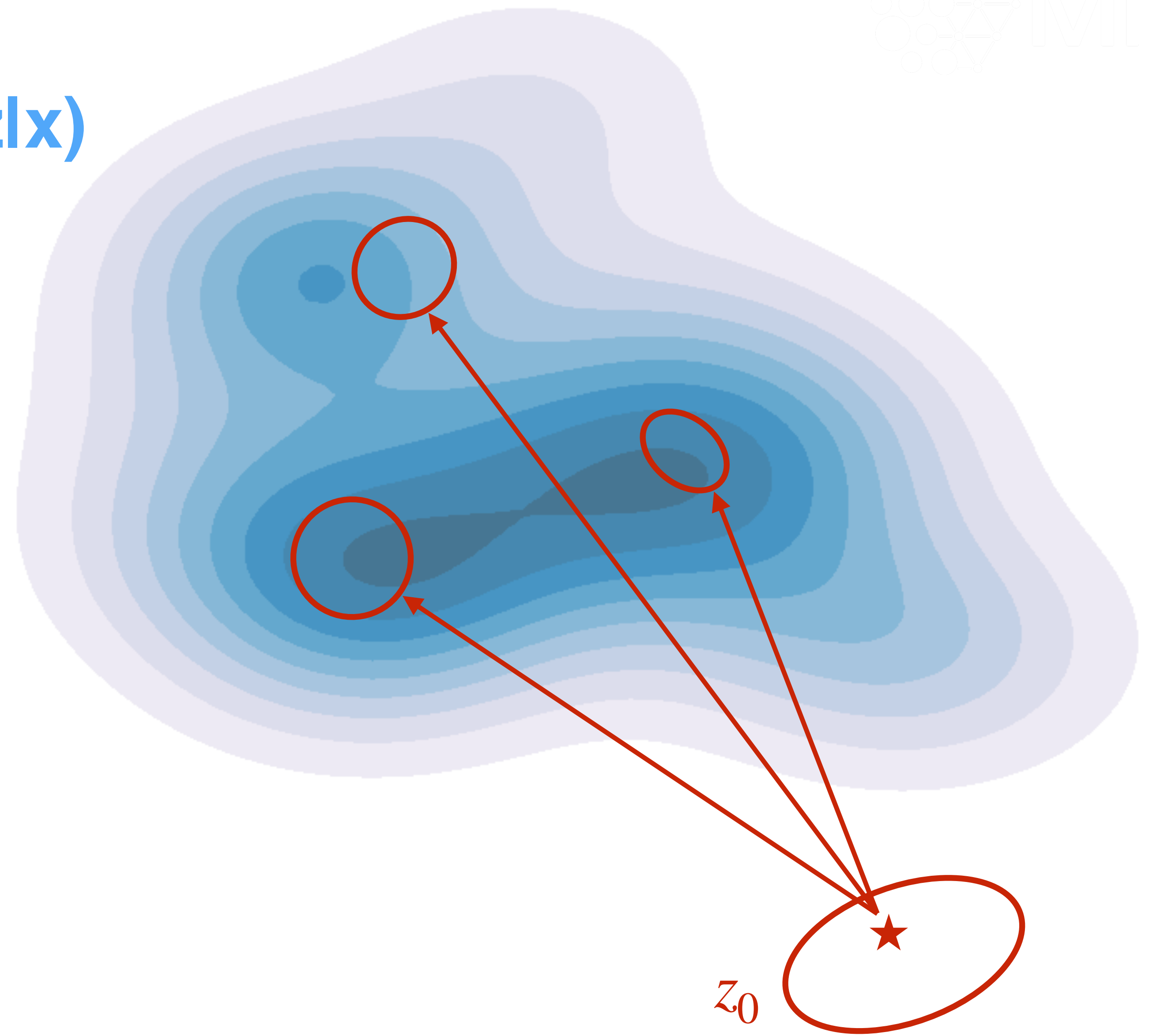
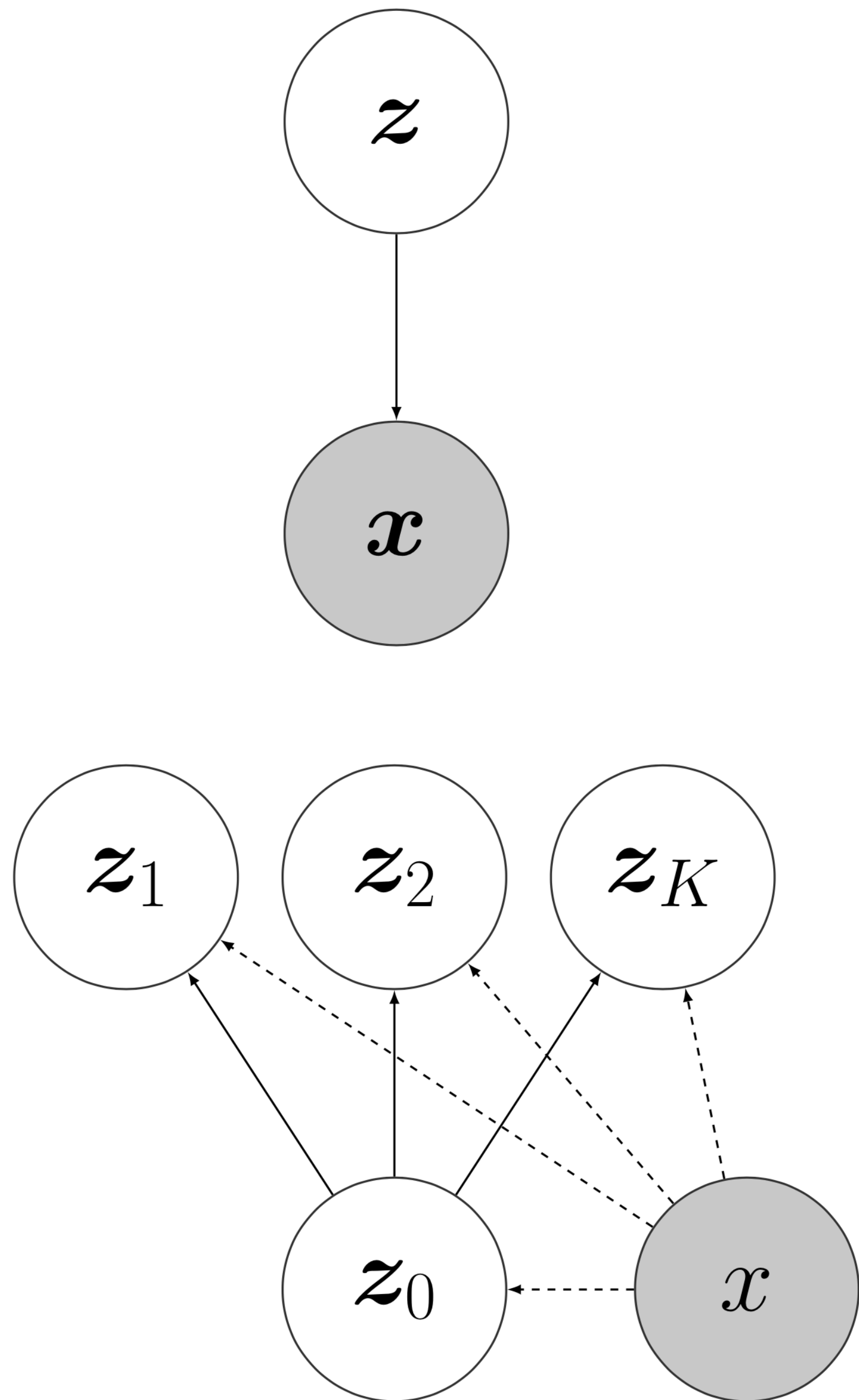


$$\text{Var}(w) = \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i^2 \text{Var}(w_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j} \pi_i \pi_j \text{Cov}(w_i, w_j)$$

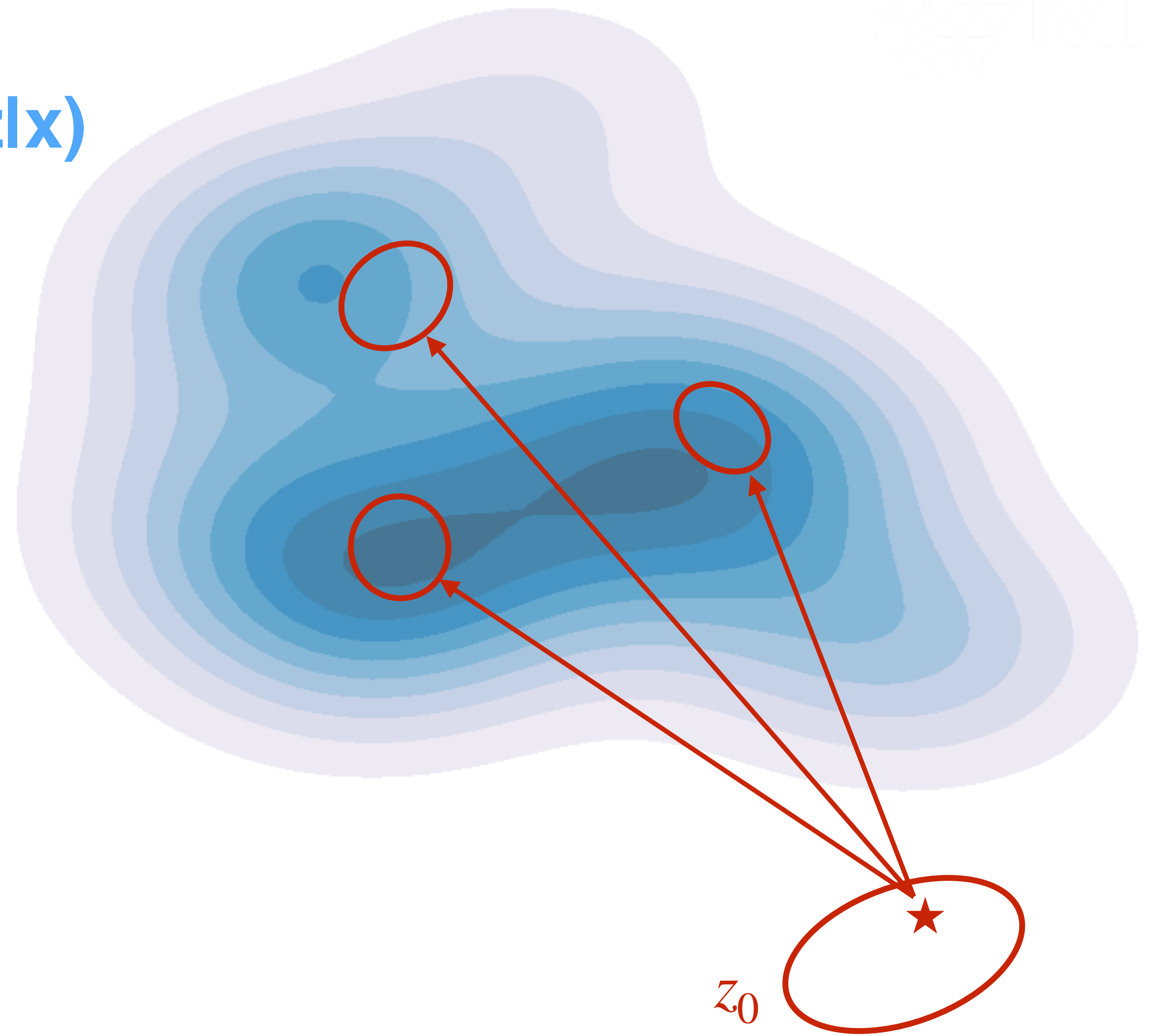
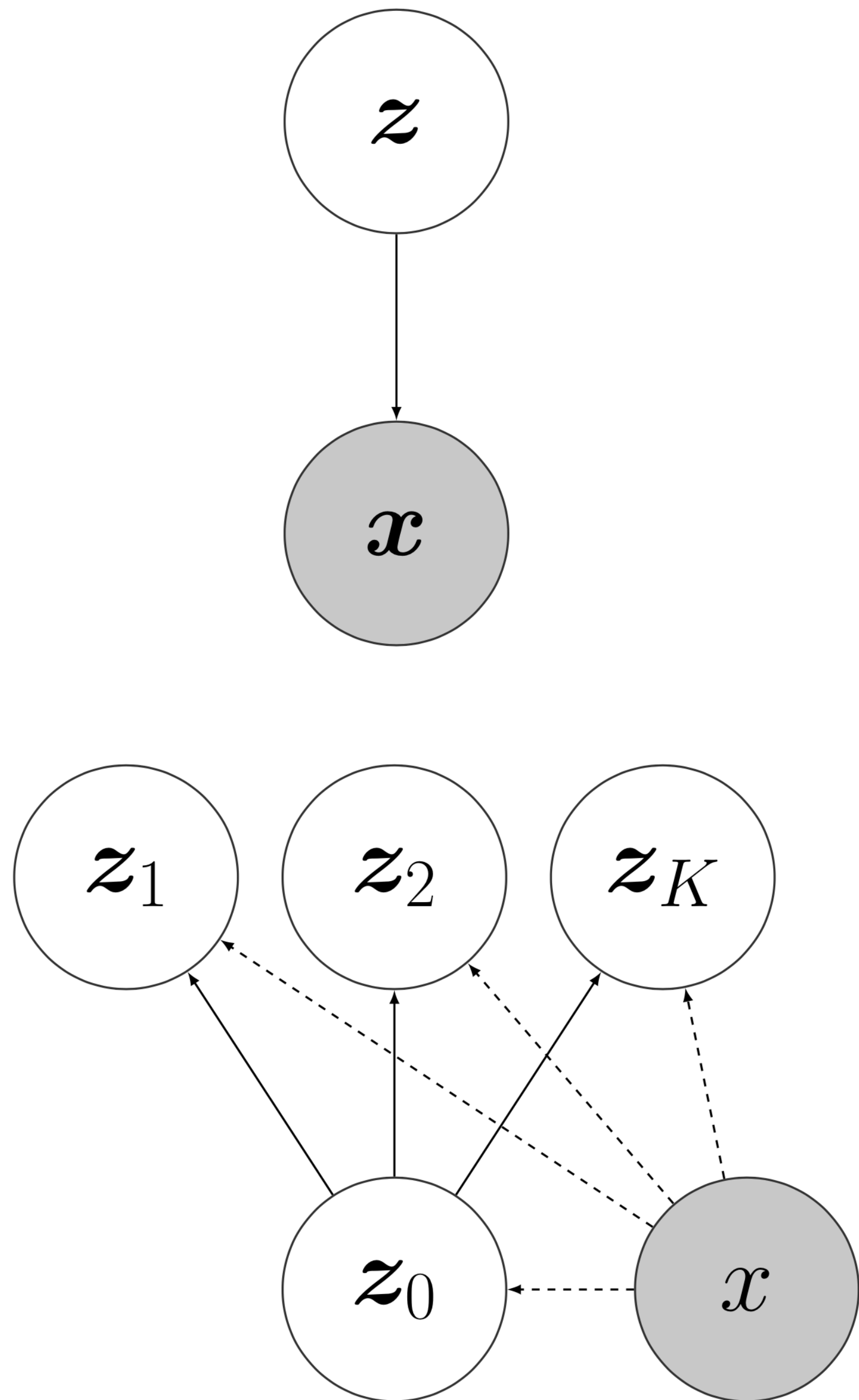
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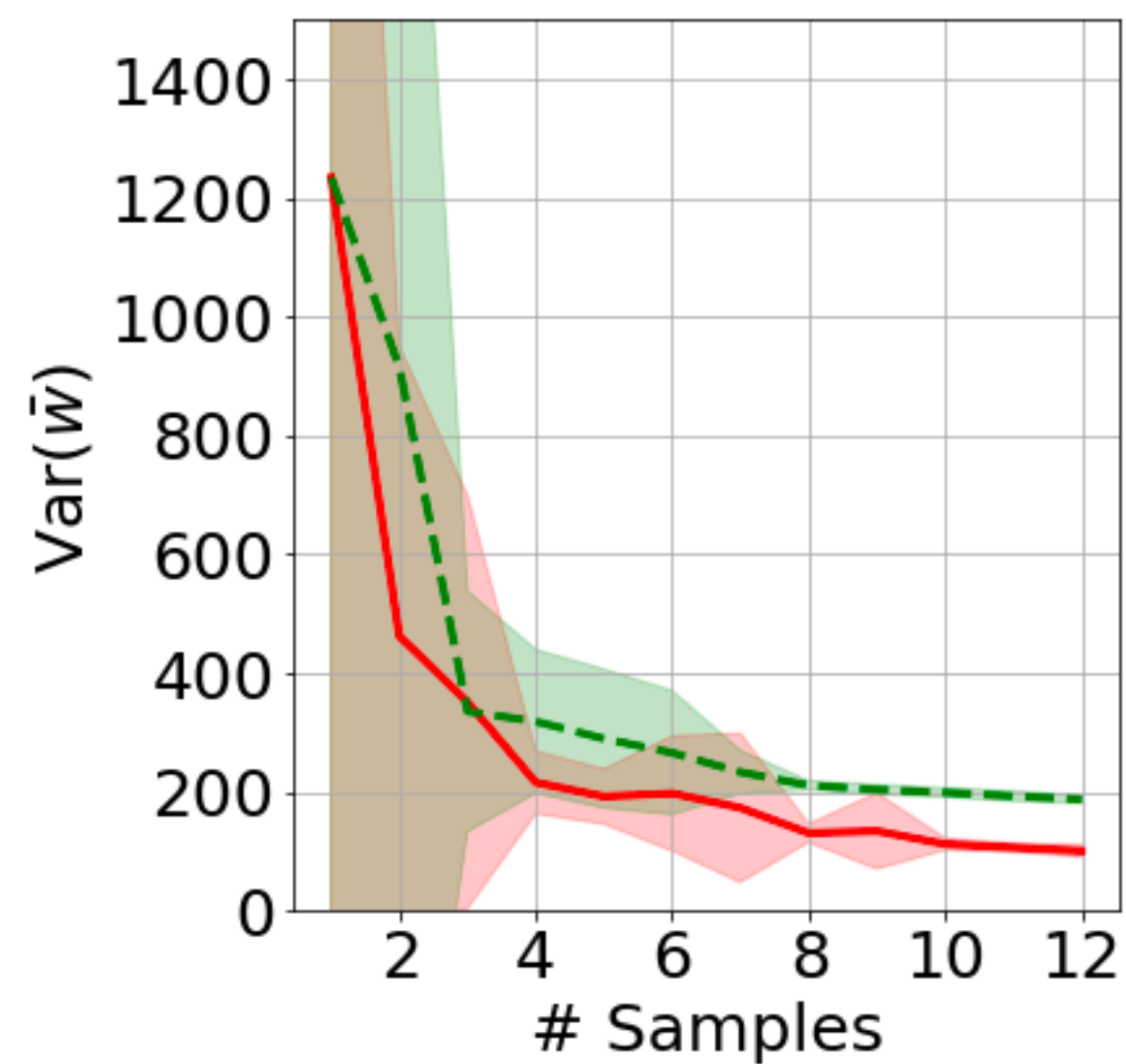
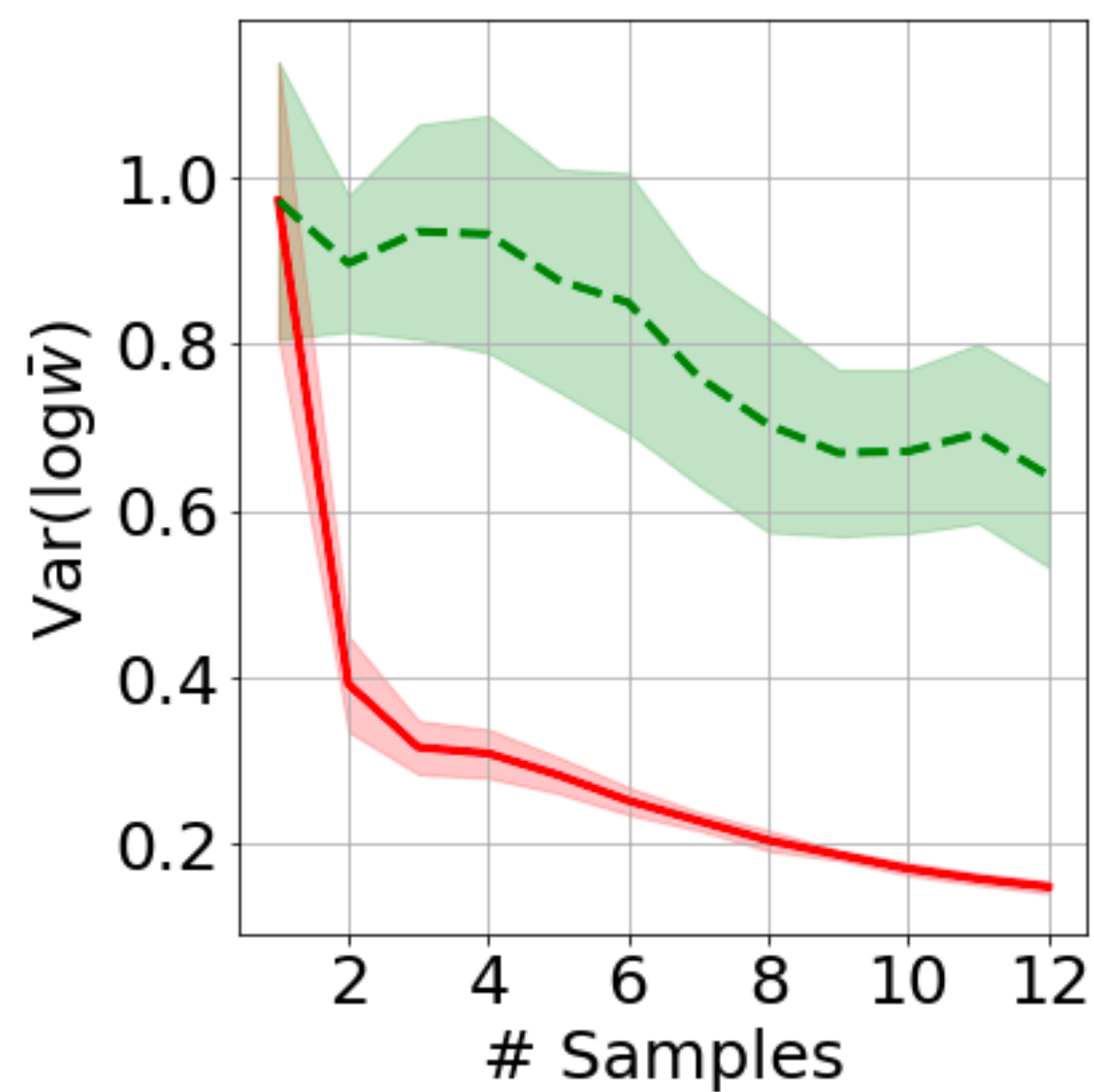
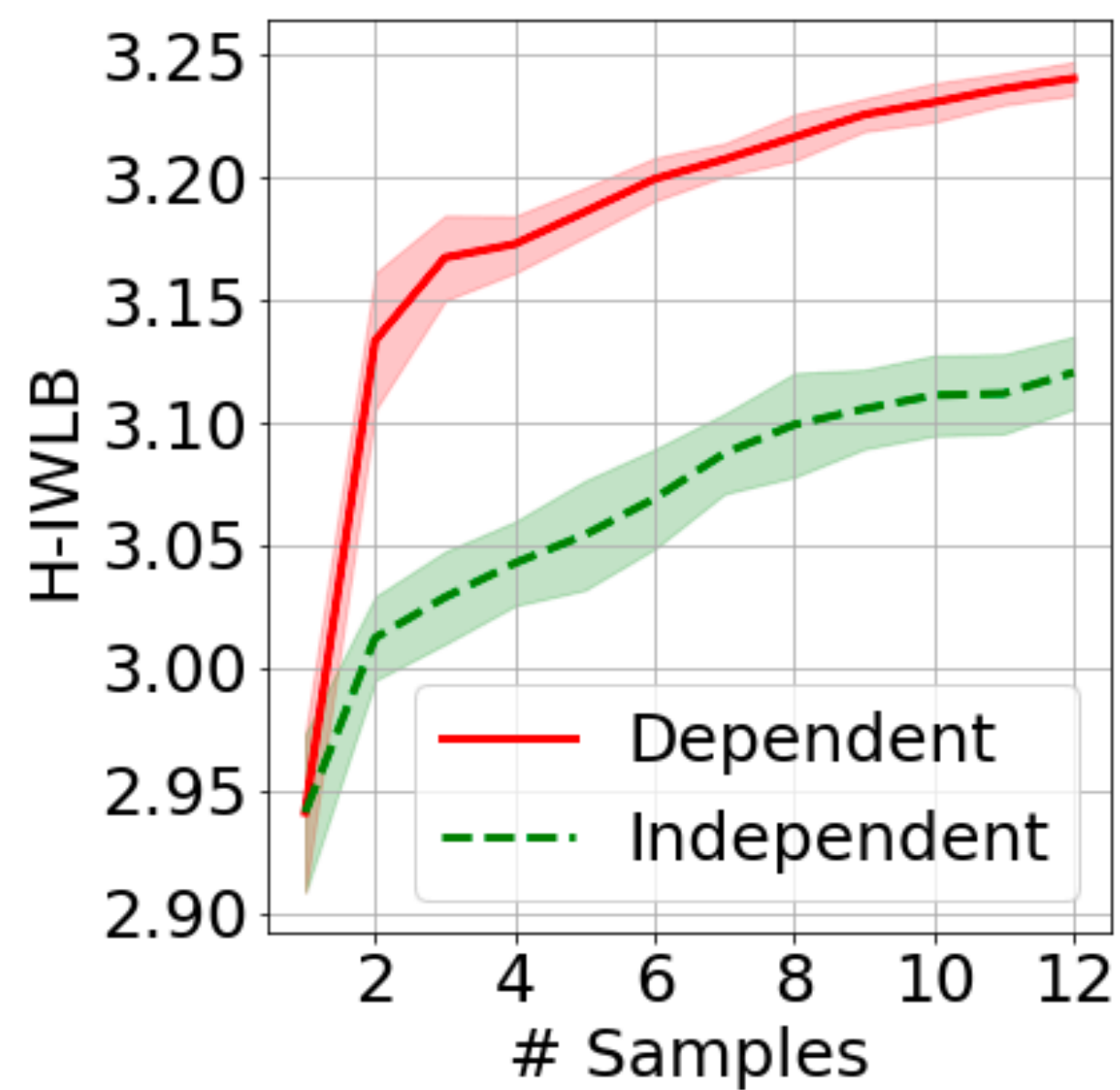
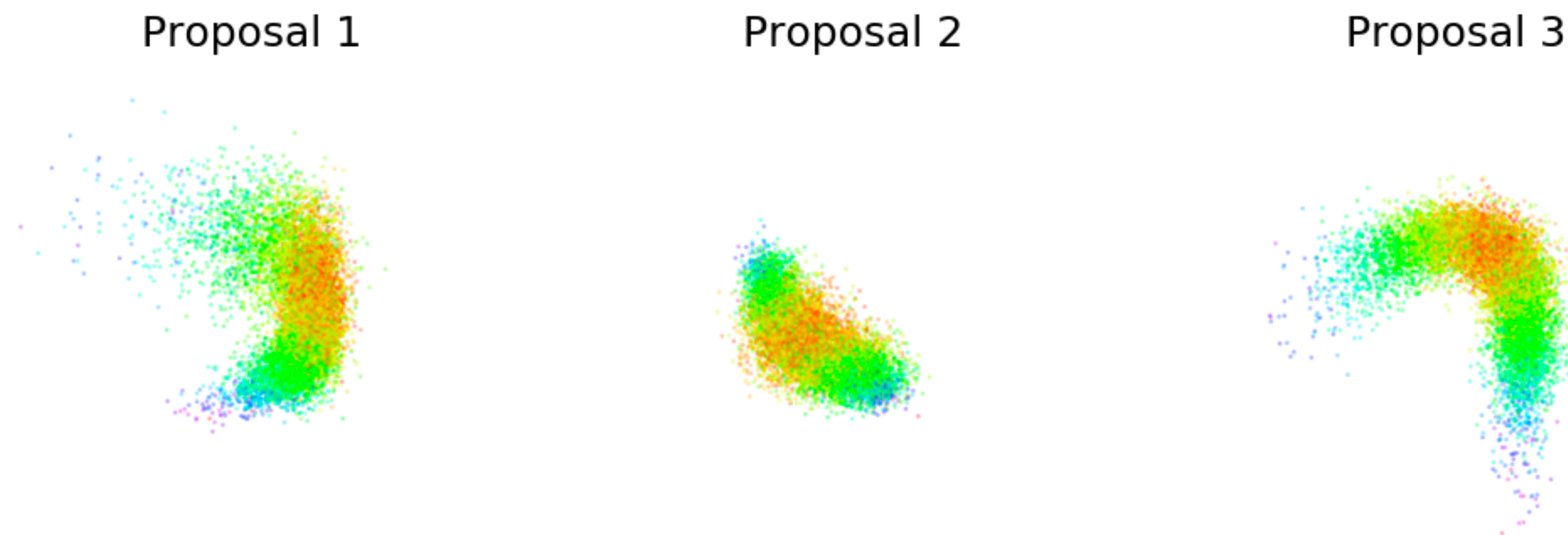
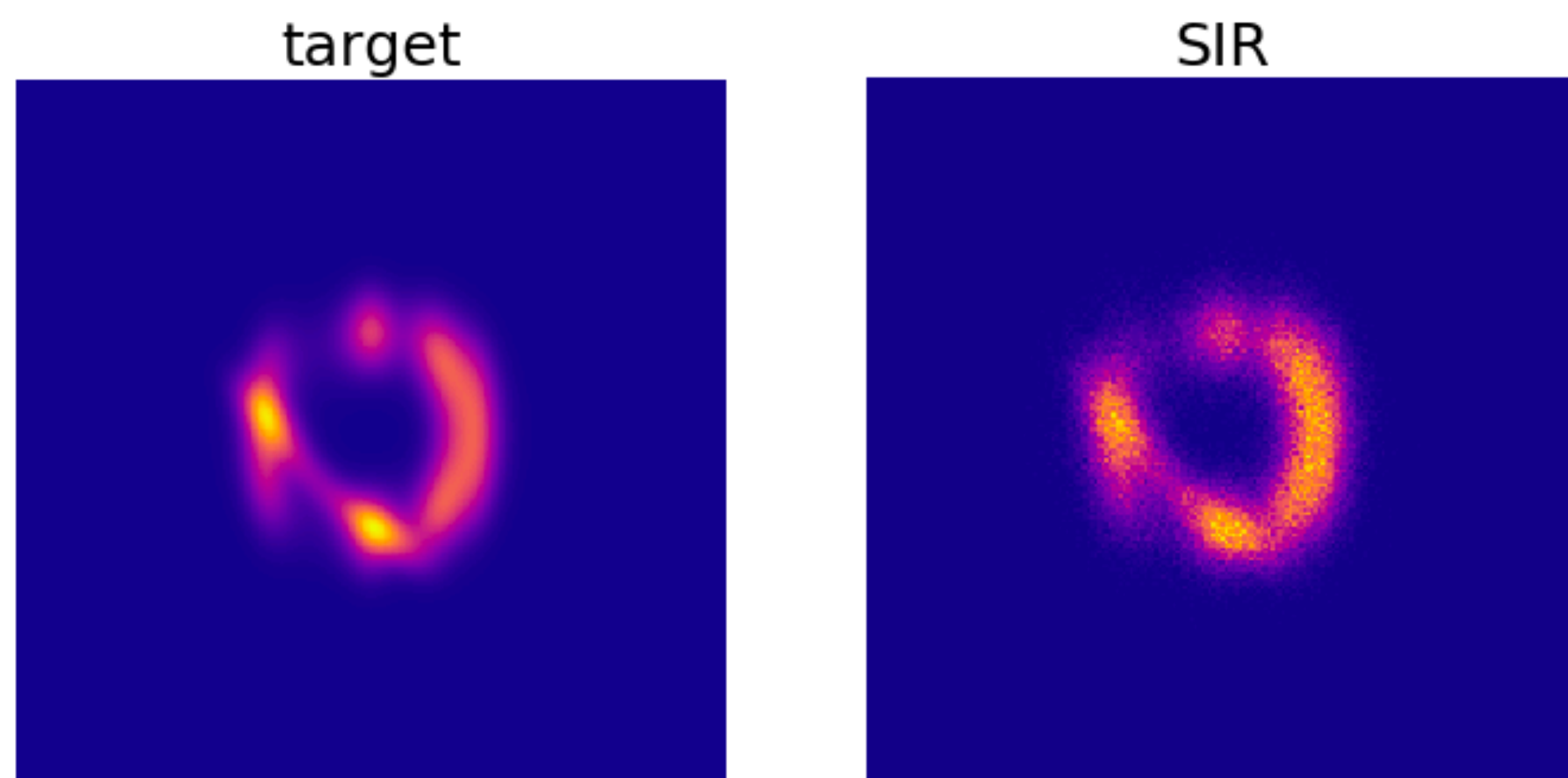


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