

A Digital Twin for Climate Extremes using Artificial Intelligence

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I Climate Extremes



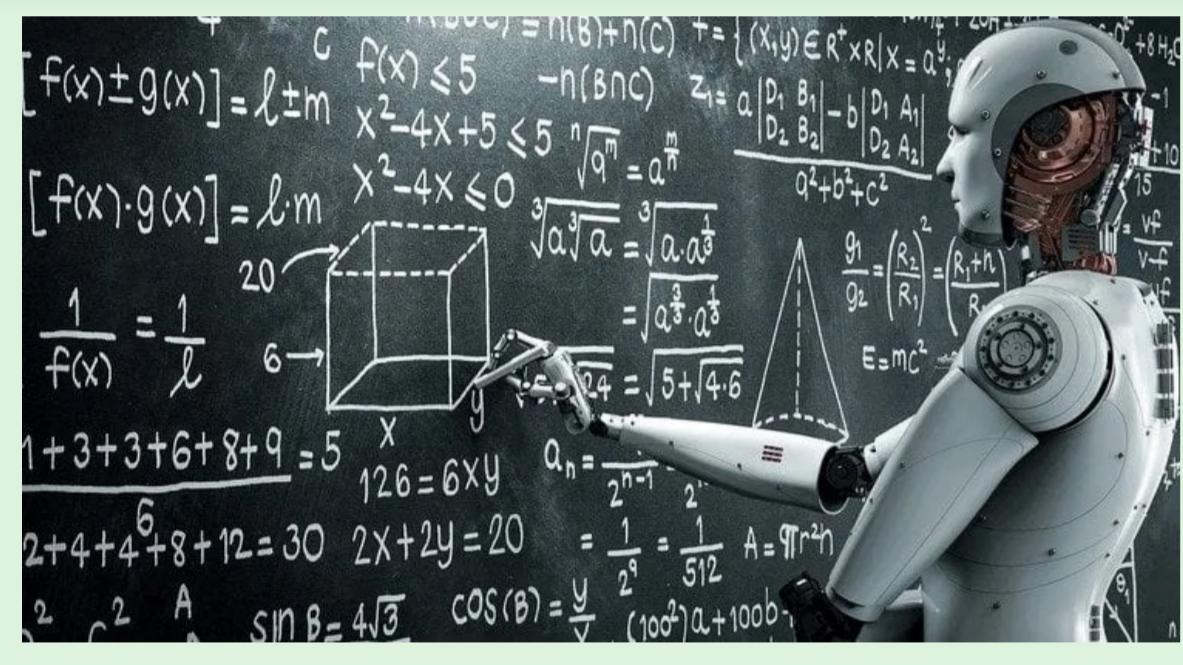
2021 Germany Erftstadt, southwest of Cologne



2020 Hurricane Delta causes damage to Louisiana's Gulf Coast

- ▶ Urgent needs of impact assessments
- ▶ Characterize changes of climate extremes
- ▶ Multiple domains: infrastructures, urban, agriculture, transportation, etc.
- ▶ Compound Events

III Why use AI?



- ▶ Possible huge gain of performance
- ▶ Efficient parallel execution
- ▶ Use of GPU architectures
- ▶ More generic approach
- ▶ Novel techniques in climate data analysis

Take Home Messages

1. Generic and unsupervised anomaly detection and characterization
2. Coherent results
3. Handles high amounts of data
4. First CVAE for climate projection analyses

V Perspectives

- ▶ 1D model (interpretability)
- ▶ Robustness with more members
- ▶ Validation with icclim
- ▶ n-day input ("video")
- ▶ Integration with interTwin architecture

IV Using Machine Learning to Detect and Characterize Climate Extremes

Generic detection algorithm

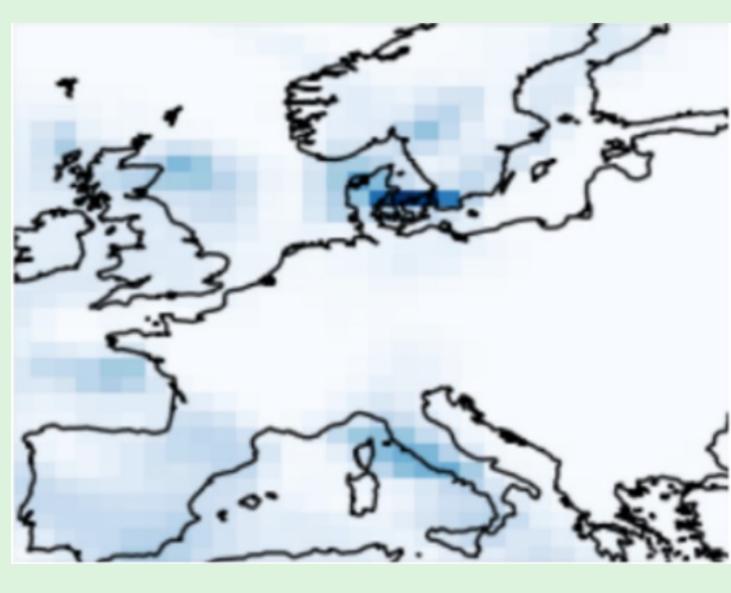
- Intense rainfall
- Drought
- Heatwave
- Cold spell
- High wind

Characterization

- Frequency of occurrence
- Spatial extent
- Intensity (if relevant)
- Duration

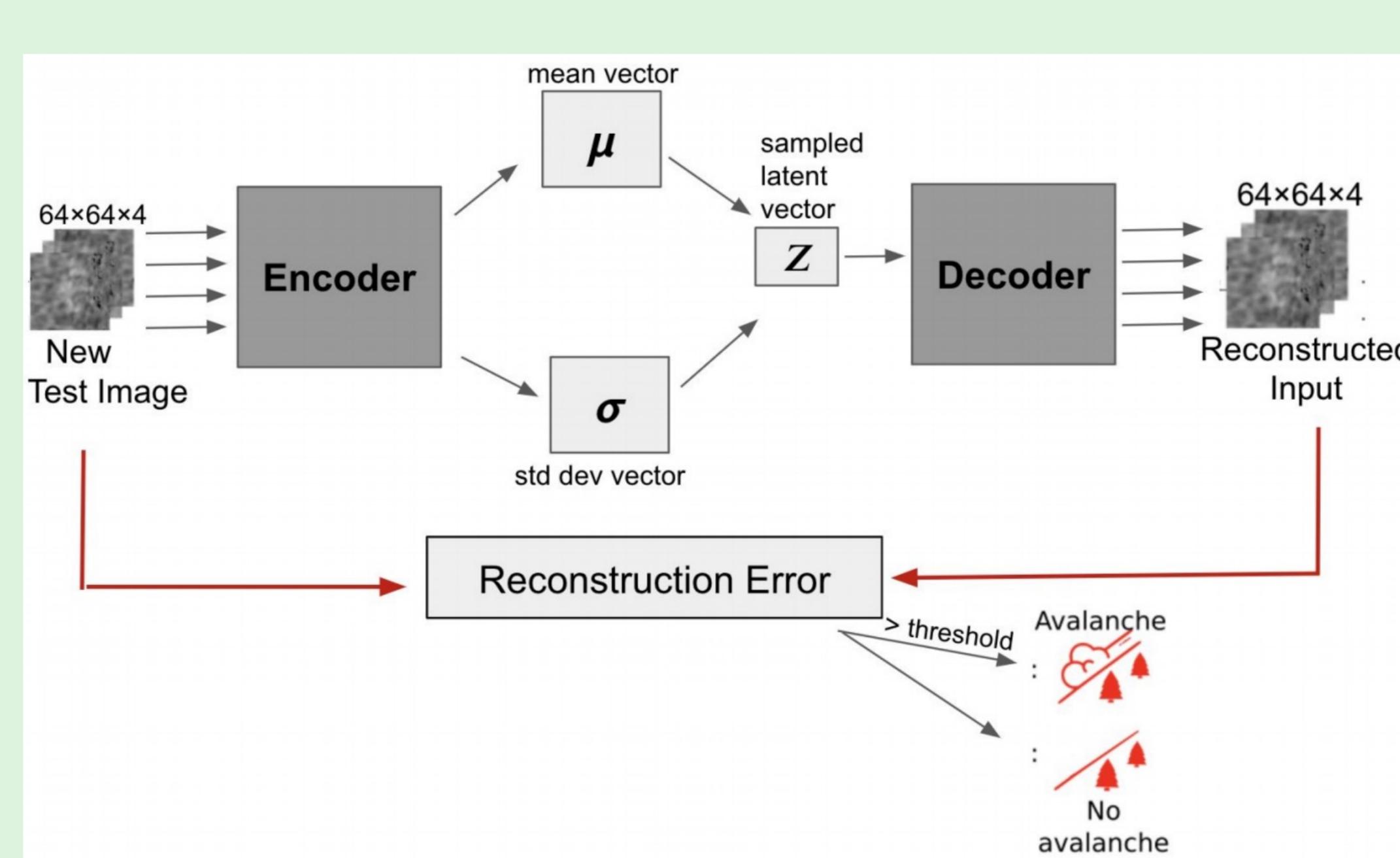
Data

- ▶ Climate variables
 - ▶ 1950-2100 (historical and projected)
 - ▶ ~125*125km grid
 - ▶ SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0, SSP5-8.5
 - ▶ Daily maximum temperature, precipitations, wind
 - ▶ Climate model: CMCC-ESM2
- ▶ NetCDF files preprocessed to ndarrays
 - ▶ 32*32 square of Western Europe
 - ▶ Season split
 - ▶ Normalization
 - ▶ Climate indices (icclim) for validation



Input Example after Preprocessing

Method: Variational Auto Encoder



Variational autoencoder anomaly-detection of avalanche deposits in satellite SAR imagery, Sinha et al., 2020

Results: Summer Statistics

Scenario	2001-2014		2015-2100		
	Test data	SSP1-2.6	SSP2-4.5	SSP3-7.0	SSP5-8.5
Number of spikes	9	48	99	120	145
Proportion of unusual days	1,00%	0,87%	2,78%	3,70%	7,56%
Maximum spike	0,00675	0,00807	0,00746	0,0111	0,00928
Average maximum	0,00549	0,00545	0,00551	0,00543	0,00571
Maximum duration (days)	2	3	14	17	25
Average duration (days)	1,33	1,44	2,22	2,44	4,12

