

# Learning Neural Representations for Time Series

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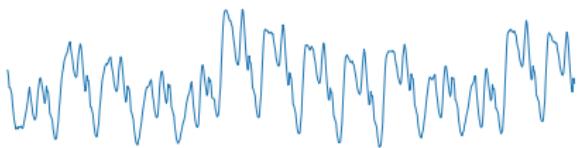
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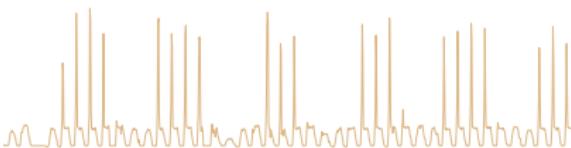
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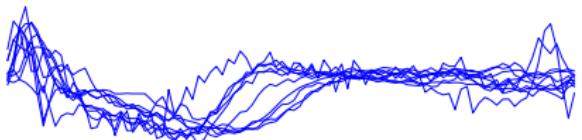
## Time series are ubiquitous



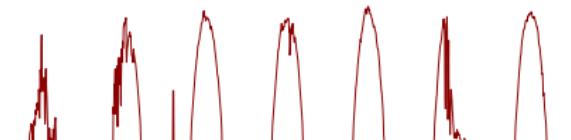
## Aggregated load curve



## Road occupancy



## Heartbeat electrical activity



## Solar power generation

## Time series definition

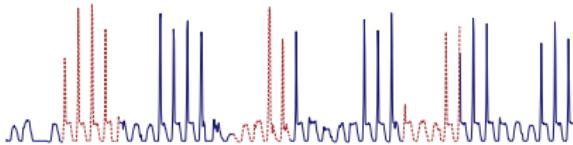
Consider a temporal phenomenon  $\mathbf{x}: t \in \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^c$ .

Given a sequence of observed timestamps  $(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_T)$ , the time series  $x$ , can be defined as  $x = (x_{t_1}, x_{t_2}, \dots, x_{t_T}) \in \mathbb{R}^{c \times T}$ .

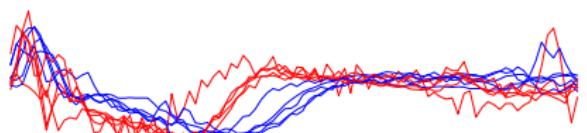
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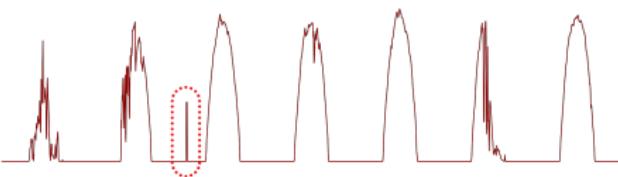
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## Imputation



## Classification

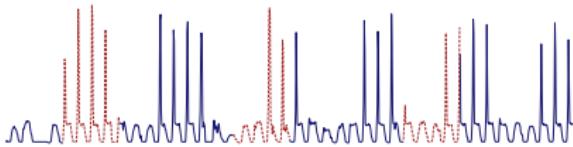


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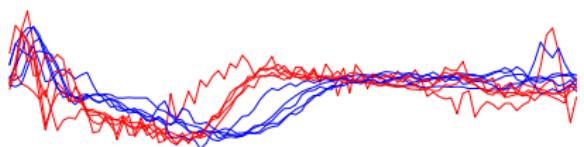
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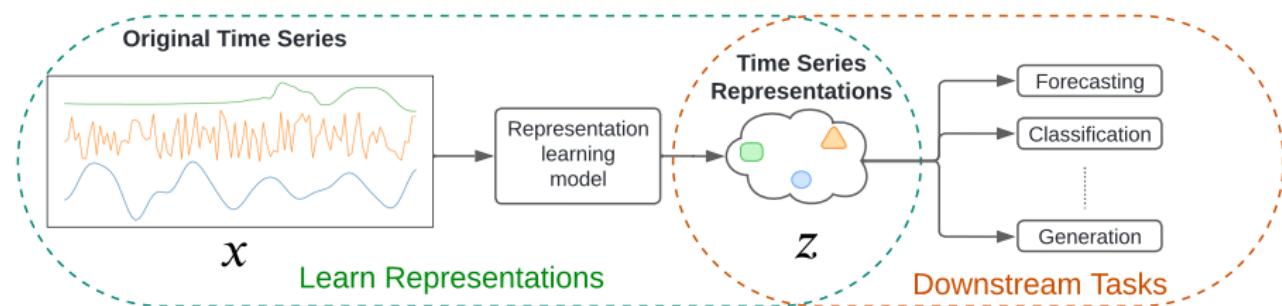
## A long history of supervised models

- **Statistical** (Exponential Smoothing [Brown, 1959], ARIMA [Box et al., 1970])
  - **Machine learning** (Shapelets [Ye and Keogh, 2011], Matrix factorization [Mei et al., 2017])
  - **Deep learning** (InceptionTime [Ismail Fawaz et al., 2019], PatchTST [Nie et al., 2022])

# Time series representation learning

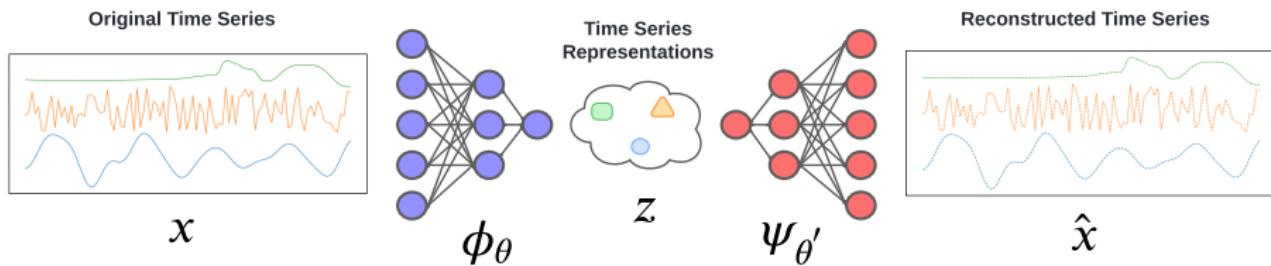
## Time series representation definition

Given a time series  $x^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{c \times T}$ , we define its representation as  $z^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times T'}$ , where  $z^{(j)} = \phi(x^{(j)})$  and  $\phi$  is an encoding function.



- Traditional time series representations rely on **pre-designed features extraction** (e.g. the seasonal / trend / residual decomposition [Taylor and Letham, 2017], the symbolic aggregate approximation [Lin et al., 2003])
- From traditional representations to neural representations

# Time series neural representation



## Wide range of models

- **Contrastive learning** [Franceschi et al., 2019, Yue et al., 2022]
- **Encoder-decoder based on reconstruction** [Nie et al., 2022, Zerveas et al., 2021]
- **Hybrid models** [Dong et al., 2024]

## Leading to improvements

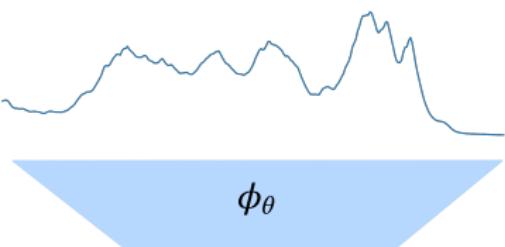
- Efficient classification for few-shot scenarios
- Create structured latent space
- Re-usability of the representation
- Transferable neural architecture

# Research questions and industrial context

## Some open problems

- (i) **Interpretability of the neural representations**
- (ii) Context adaptability through representation adjustment
- (iii) Capture flexible representations

Existing time series neural representations are not interpretable



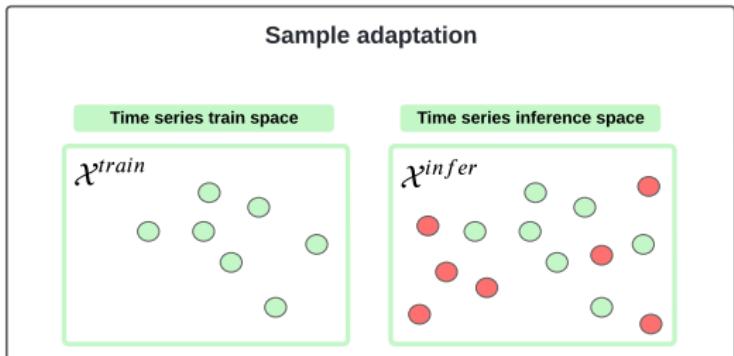
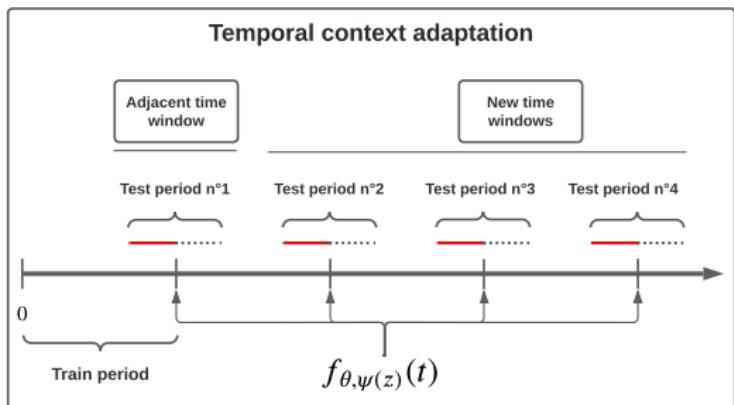
$$\phi_{\theta}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ z_3 \\ z_4 \\ z_5 \\ \vdots \\ z_d \end{pmatrix}$$

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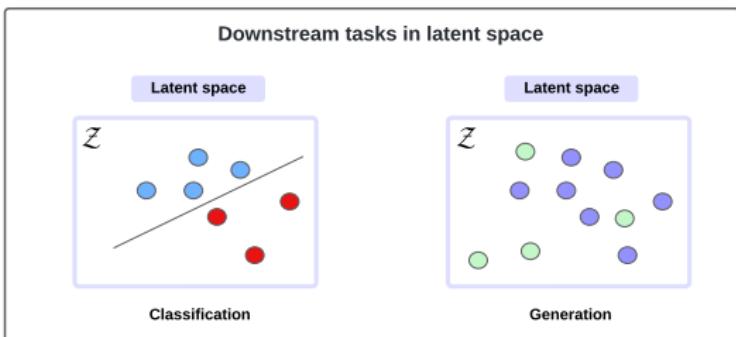
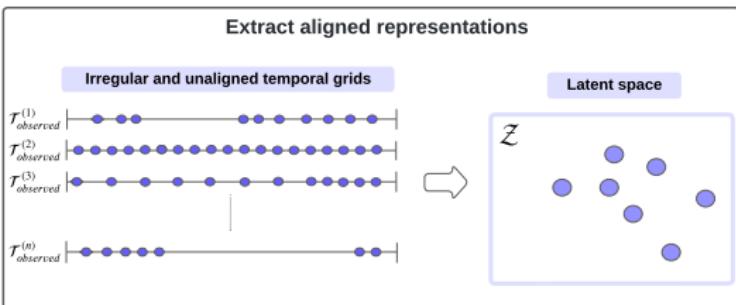
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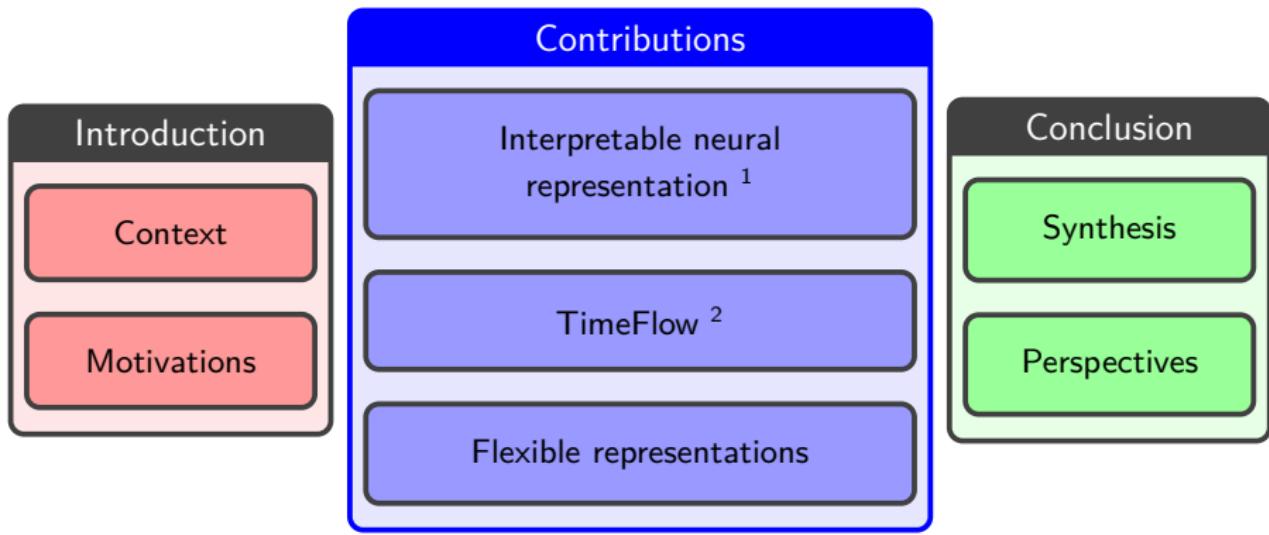
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# Outline



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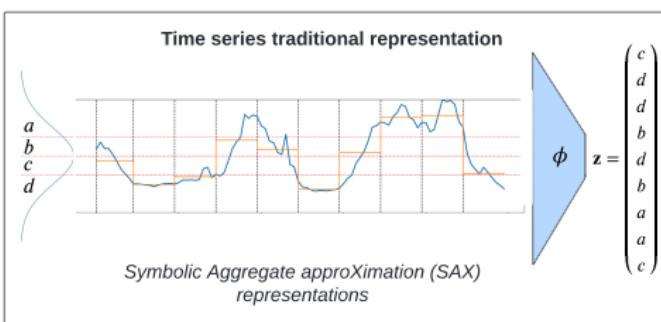
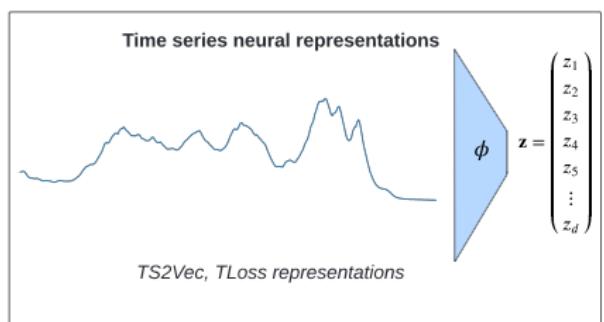
<sup>2</sup> *Time Series Continuous Modeling for Imputation and Forecasting with Implicit Neural Representations*. Transactions on Machine Learning Research 2024.

## Interpretable neural representation

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# Motivations

- Interpretability is key to decision maker adoption of deep learning
- Deep learning has advanced time series representation by identifying complex patterns but lacks interpretability
- Traditional representation learning methods offer interpretability, but fail to capture complex patterns

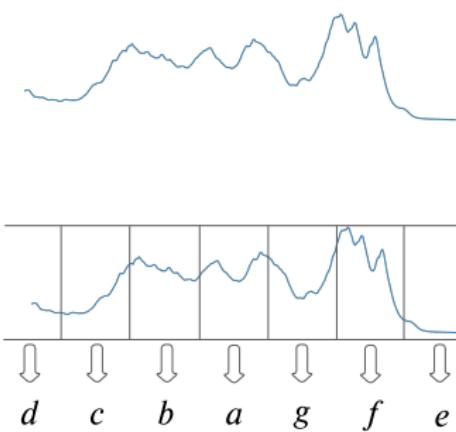


- Discrete neural representation is a promising option [van den Oord et al., 2017]

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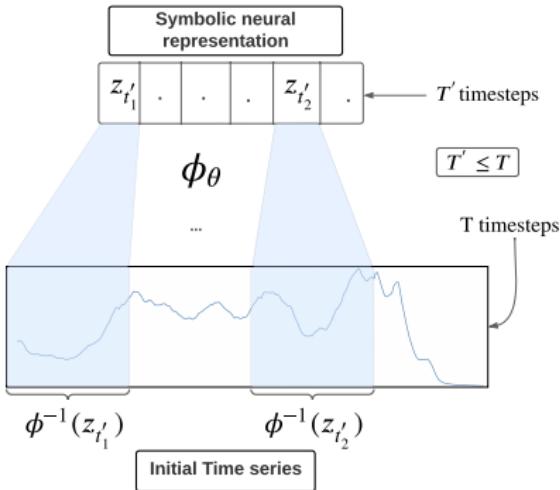
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→ *Pair element with pattern*
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- (v) An adjustable representation

Time series



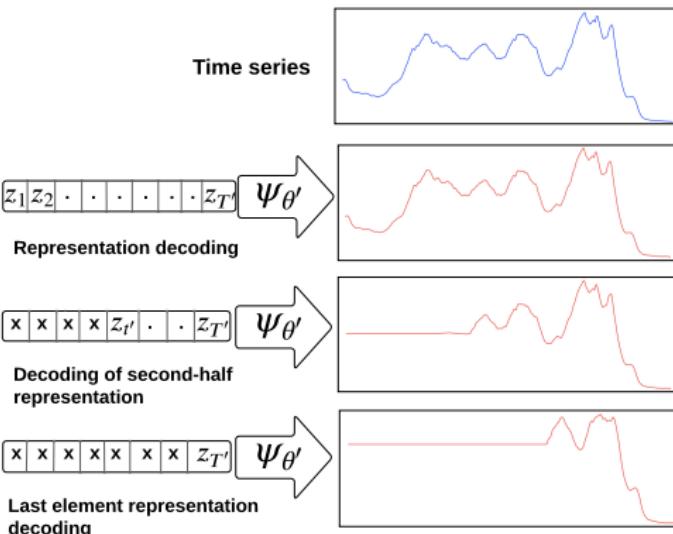
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→ *Localize elements*
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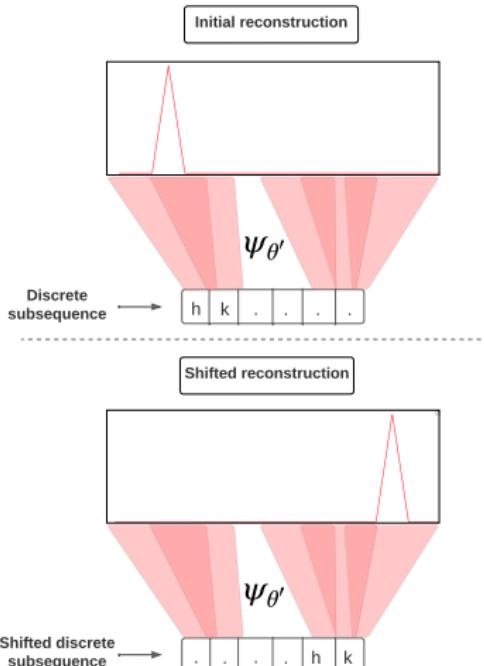
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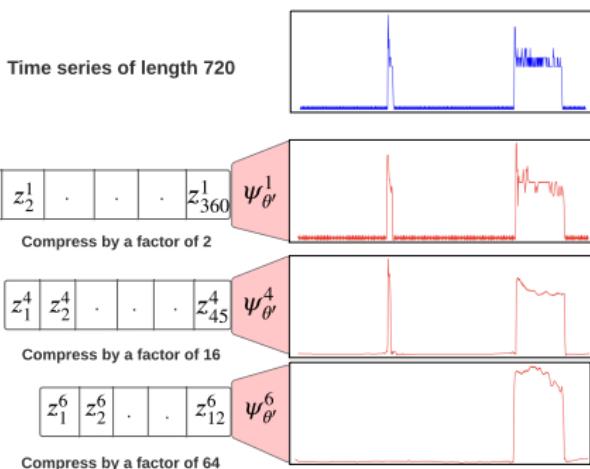
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- (iv) **Shift equivariance property**  
→ Decode the same pattern  
with a shift in time
- (v) An adjustable representation

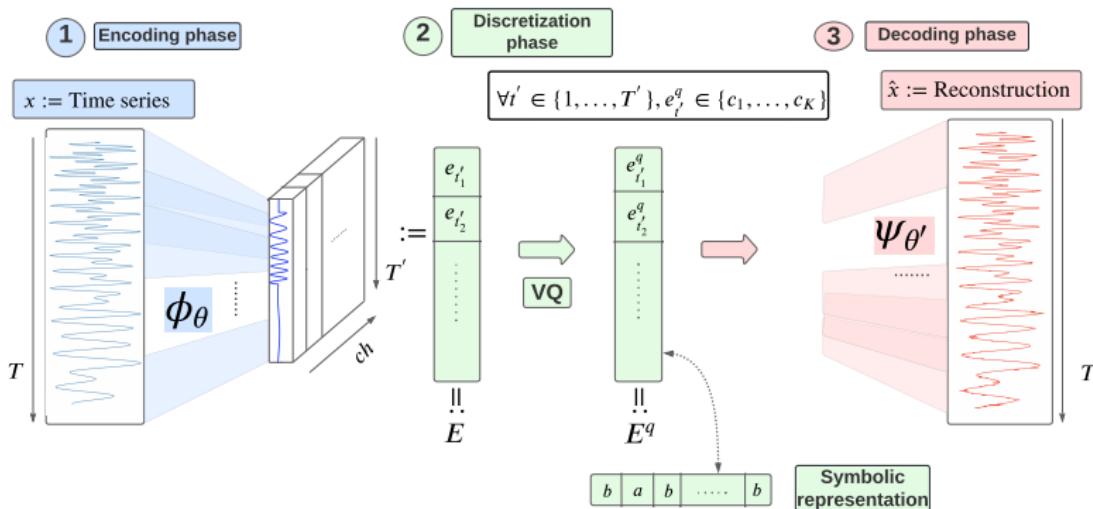


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- (i) Discrete representation
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- (v) **An adjustable representation**
  - Control the amount of information captured

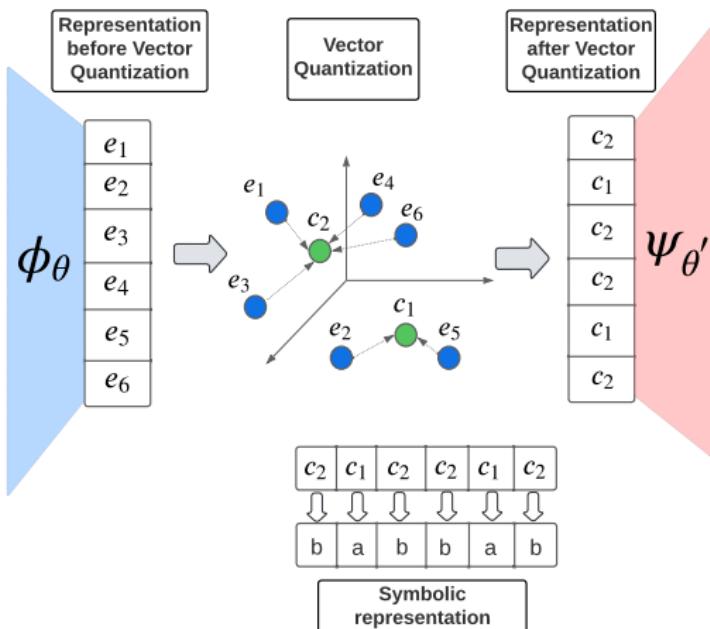


# Proposed architecture

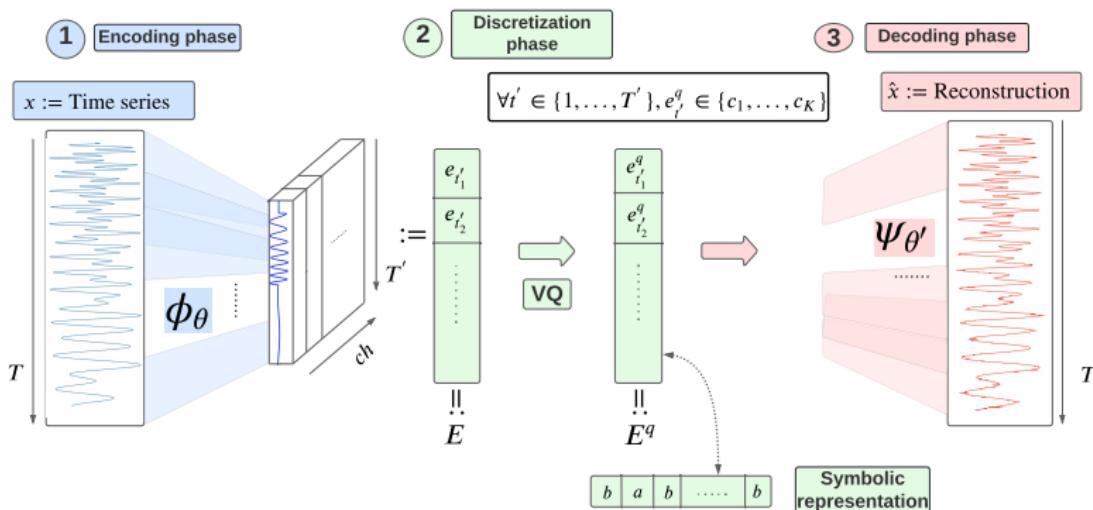


- (i) Convolutional encoder with downsampling mechanisms
- (ii) Vector Quantization (VQ) mechanism in the latent space
- (iii) Convolutional decoder with upsampling mechanisms

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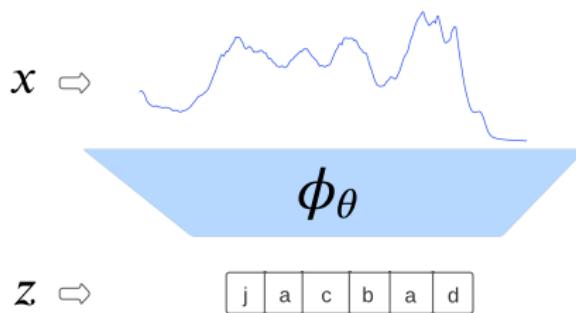


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$$\arg \min_{\theta, \theta', E} \underbrace{\|x - \psi_{\theta'}(E^q)\|_2^2}_{\text{Reconstruction loss}} + \underbrace{\|sg[\phi_\theta(x)] - E^q\|_2^2}_{\text{Quantization loss}} + \beta \underbrace{\|\phi_\theta(x) - sg[E^q]\|_2^2}_{\text{Commitment loss}}.$$

# Proposed architecture



- How to evaluate the usefulness of the learned representation  $z$  ?

## Downstream task: classification over extracted representations

- From representation vector to features vector:  $z \rightarrow h$
- Logistic regression on top of  $h$

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ j \\ a \\ b \\ b \\ \vdots \\ c \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_{a \in \mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbb{1}_{b \in \mathbf{z}} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{1}_{aa \in \mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbb{1}_{bb \in \mathbf{z}} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Extract fixed size feature vector from n-grams

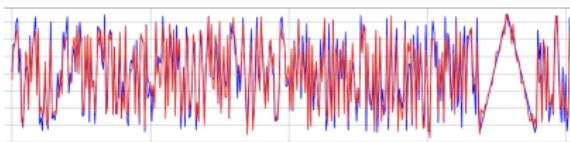
$$\arg \min_{w,b} \frac{1-\rho}{2} w^T w + \rho \|w\|_1 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^n \log \left( \exp \left( -y_j \left( h^{(j)T} w + b \right) \right) + 1 \right).$$

- We want a strong  $\ell_1$  penalty to ensure sparse feature selection

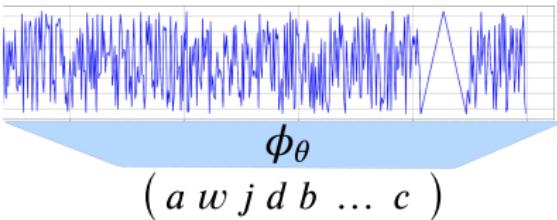
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- *ShapeletSim* dataset
- Fit the unsupervised model and extract representations
- Classify and observe local and global interpretability



Train the VQ auto-encoder



Extract symbolic representations

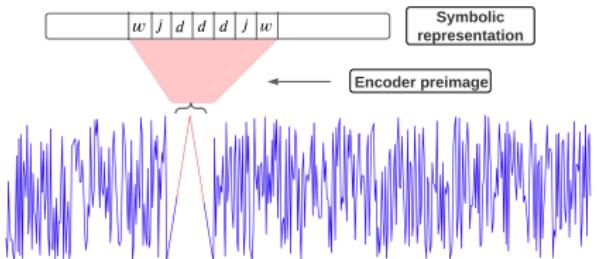


Classify and get features importance

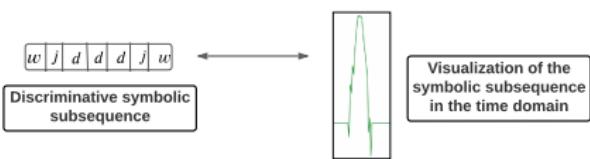
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Local interpretability



Global interpretability

# Quantitative experiments

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- Experiments performed on 25 datasets from the UCR archive
- Comparison to other interpretable methods
- Use only subsequences of length 2 or less

Datasets	Ours	SAX SEQL	SAX VSM	FS	LTS	1-NN DTW
Coffee	0.964	<b>1.000</b>	0.929	0.929	<b>1.000</b>	<b>1.000</b>
Computers	<b>0.728</b>	<u>0.676</u>	0.620	0.500	0.584	0.620
DistalPhalanxOAG	0.755	<u>0.818</u>	<b>0.842</b>	0.655	0.779	0.626
DistalPhalanxOC	<u>0.732</u>	0.718	0.728	<b>0.750</b>	0.719	0.725
DistalPhalanxTW	<u>0.640</u>	<b>0.748</b>	0.604	0.626	0.626	0.633
Earthquakes	0.734	<b>0.789</b>	<u>0.748</u>	0.705	0.741	0.727
ECG5000	<b>0.932</b>	0.924	0.910	0.923	<b>0.932</b>	0.925
FordA	<u>0.883</u>	0.851	0.827	0.787	<b>0.957</b>	0.691
GunPoint	0.940	<u>0.987</u>	<u>0.987</u>	0.947	<b>1.000</b>	0.913
Ham	0.705	0.705	<b>0.810</b>	0.648	0.667	0.600
Herring	<b>0.656</b>	0.578	<u>0.625</u>	0.531	<u>0.625</u>	0.531
ItalyPowerDemand	0.906	0.734	0.816	0.917	<b>0.970</b>	<u>0.955</u>
LargeKitchenApp	<u>0.864</u>	0.760	<b>0.877</b>	0.560	0.701	0.795
PhalangesOC	<u>0.748</u>	0.717	0.710	0.744	<b>0.765</b>	0.761
ProximalPhalanxOC	0.818	0.818	<u>0.828</u>	0.804	<b>0.834</b>	0.790
ProximalPhalanxOAG	0.839	<u>0.844</u>	0.824	0.780	<b>0.849</b>	0.785
ProximalPhalanxTW	0.771	<b>0.792</b>	0.610	0.702	<u>0.776</u>	0.756
RefrigerationDevices	0.533	<u>0.541</u>	<b>0.653</b>	0.333	0.515	0.440
ScreenType	<u>0.499</u>	0.461	<b>0.512</b>	0.413	0.429	0.411
ShapeletSim	<u>0.994</u>	<b>0.994</b>	0.717	<b>1.000</b>	0.950	0.700
SmallKitchenApp	<b>0.795</b>	<u>0.776</u>	0.579	0.333	0.664	0.672
Strawberry	<b>0.962</b>	0.954	<u>0.957</u>	0.903	0.911	0.946
Wafer	0.975	0.993	<b>0.999</b>	<u>0.997</u>	0.996	0.995
Wine	<u>0.759</u>	0.556	<b>0.963</b>	<u>0.759</u>	0.500	0.611
Worms	<b>0.714</b>	0.536	0.558	<u>0.649</u>	0.610	0.532
Mean	<b>0.793</b>	0.770	0.769	0.715	0.764	0.725
Win/Tie/Loss	/	13/3/9	15/0/10	19/1/5	13/1/11	21/0/4

# Conclusion

## Synthesis and perspectives

- (i) Great interest for applications where there are few discriminative patterns
- (ii) Possibility to greatly improve accuracy by exploring longer subsequences for classification [Ifrim and Wiuf, 2011, Nguyen et al., 2019]

## Limitations

- (i) Rely heavily on some hyperparameters
- (ii) Less accurate than supervised SOTA classifiers
- (iii) A framework limited to univariate time series

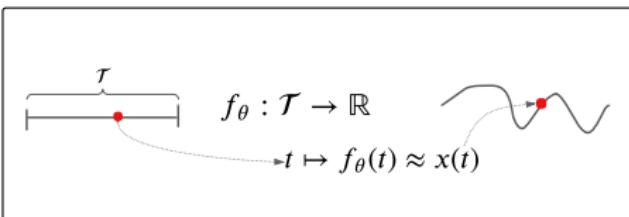
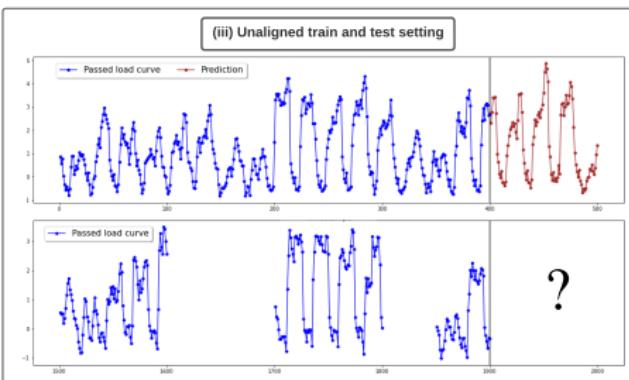
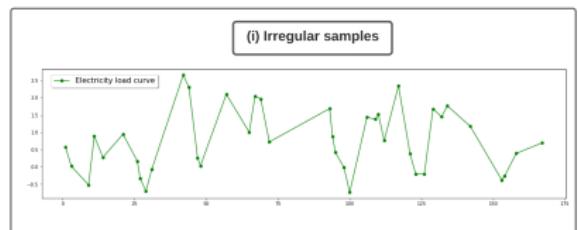
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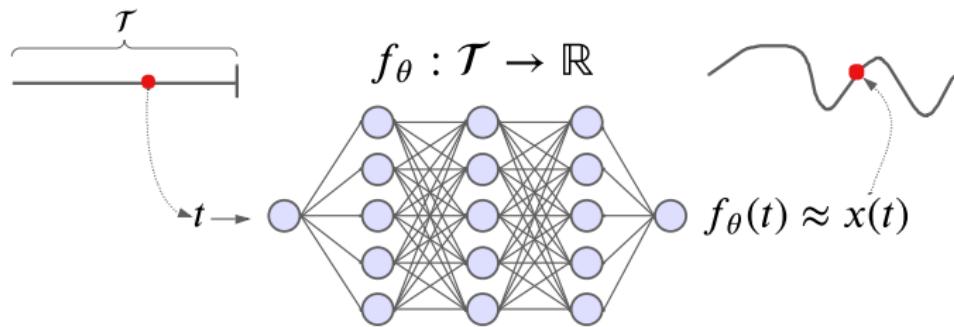
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# Motivations: many scenarios require continuous modeling

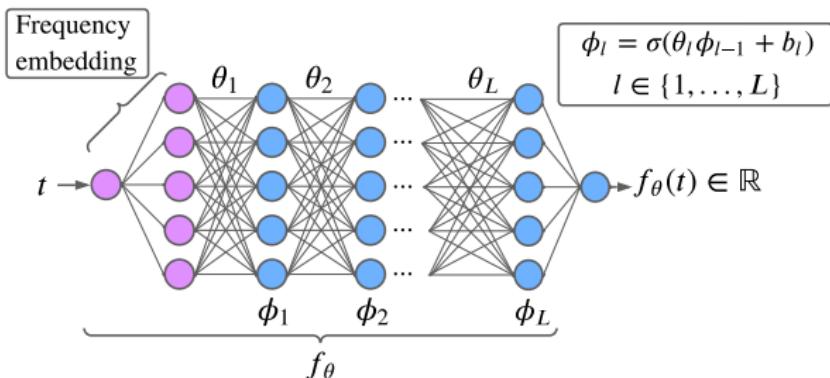


- Possible options : **Gaussian Processes** [Rasmussen and Williams, 2006], **Neural Processes** [Garnelo et al., 2018], **Implicit Neural Representations** [Sitzmann et al., 2020]

# Implicit Neural Representations (INRs)



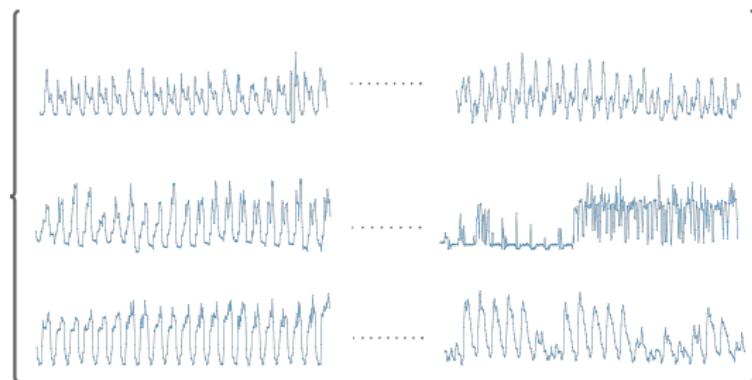
# Implicit Neural Representations (INRs)



- (i) NeRF encoding [Mildenhall et al., 2021] :  
 $t \mapsto \gamma(t) := (\sin(\pi t), \cos(\pi t), \dots, \sin(2^N \pi t), \cos(2^N \pi t))$
- (ii)  $\gamma(t) \mapsto \text{MLP}(\gamma(t); \theta)$  where  $\sigma(\alpha) = \max(0, \alpha)$

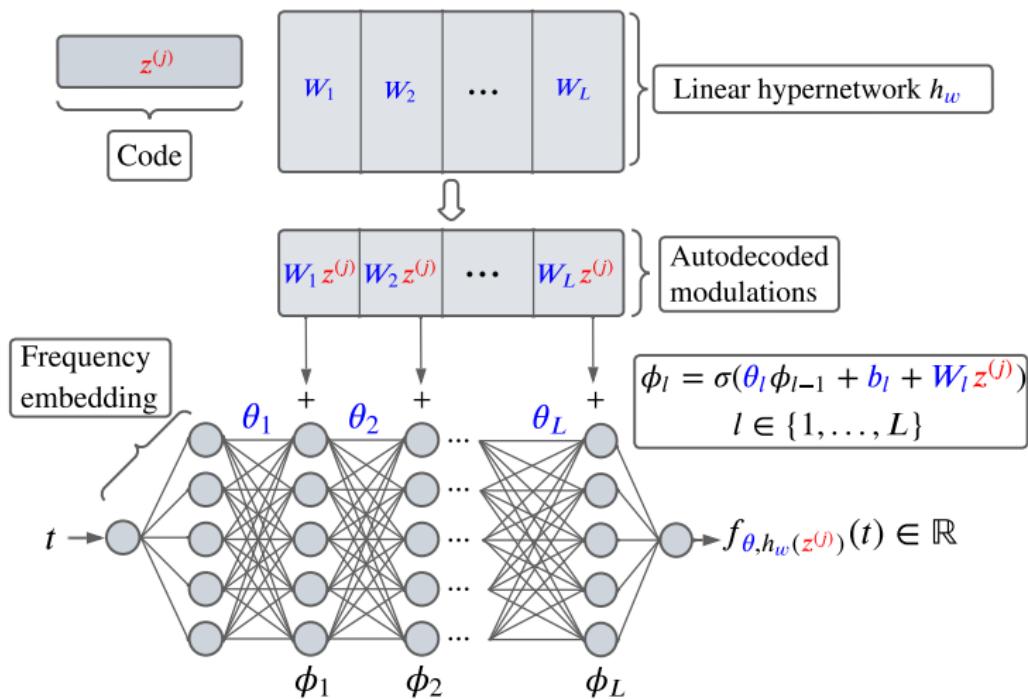
# How to deal with datasets?

- Original INRs are designed to fit a single instance
- How to fit a dataset where series have shared and individual features ?



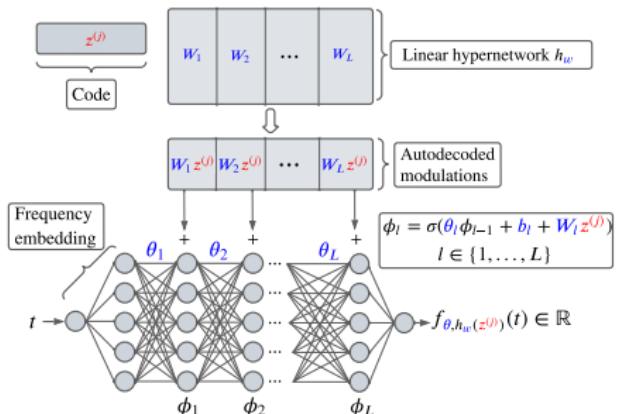
- A solution → **Hypernetwork that modulate the INR** [Dupont et al., 2022, Klocek et al., 2019]

# Auto-decoding architecture



# How to train parameters properly?

- **Metalearning** [Dupont et al., 2022, Serrano et al., 2023, Zintgraf et al., 2019]




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## Algorithm 1: Training

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**while** no convergence **do**

    Sample batch  $\mathcal{B}$  of time series  $(x^{(j)})_{j \in \mathcal{B}}$ ;

    Set codes to zero  $z^{(j)} \leftarrow 0, \forall j \in \mathcal{B}$ ;

    // inner loop for encoding:

**for**  $j \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $step \in \{1, \dots, K\}$  **do**

$z^{(j)} \leftarrow$

$z^{(j)} - \alpha \nabla_{z^{(j)}} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}}(f_{\theta, h_w(z^{(j)})}, x^{(j)})$ ;

    // outer loop step:

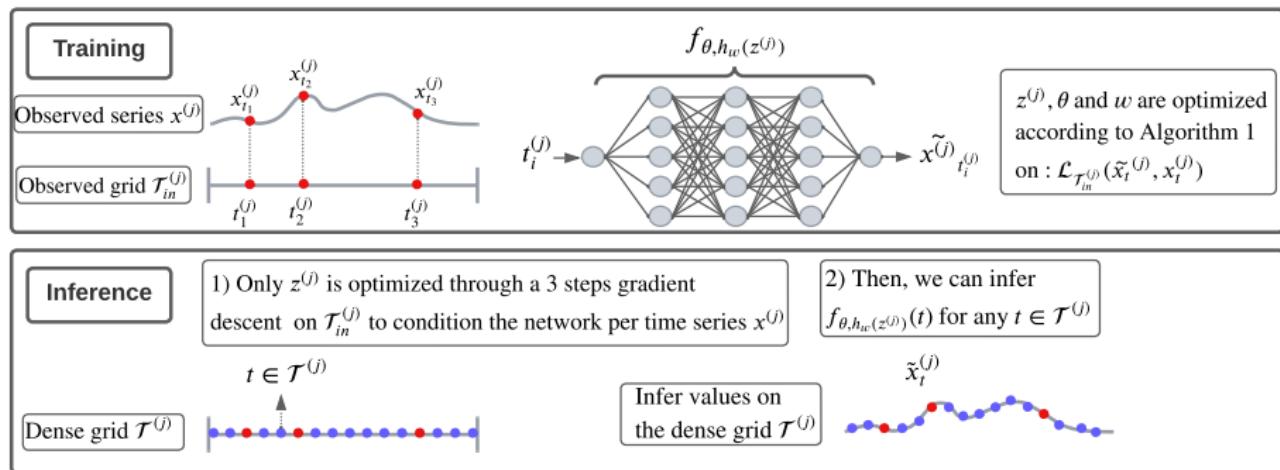
$[\theta, w] \leftarrow [\theta, w] -$

$\eta \nabla_{[\theta, w]} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}}(f_{\theta, h_w(z^{(j)})}, x^{(j)})$ ;

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- The inner loop is responsible for encoding **individual context**
- E.g. in **forecasting**,  $z^{(j)}$  is optimized on  $\mathcal{T}_{in}^{(j)} \subset \mathcal{T}^{(j)}$

# Imputation

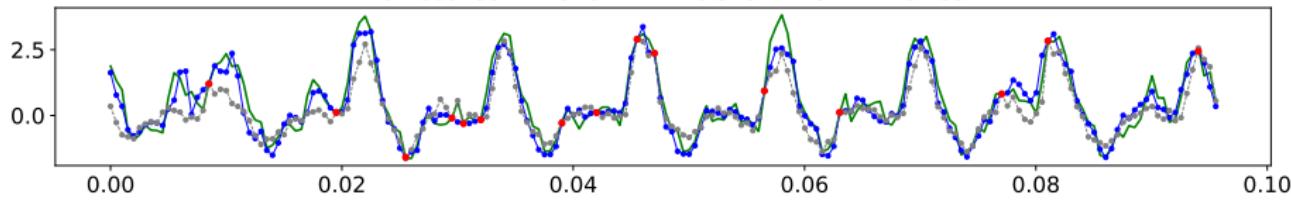


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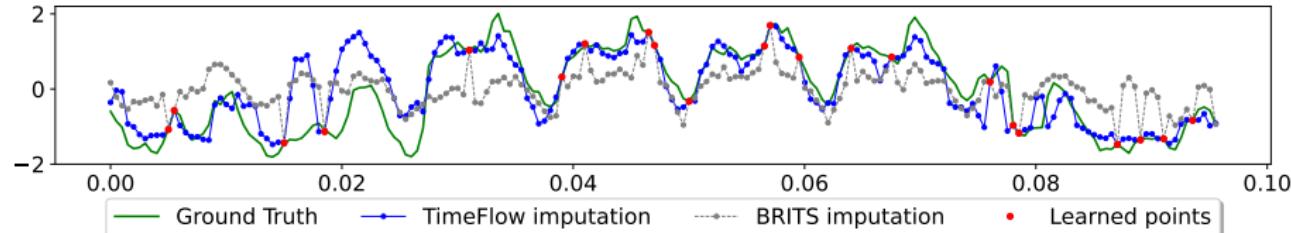
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		TimeFlow	DeepTime	mTAN	Neural Process	CSDI	SAITS	BRITS	TIDER
Electricity	0.05	<b>0.324 ± 0.013</b>	0.379 ± 0.037	0.575 ± 0.039	0.357 ± 0.015	0.462 ± 0.021	0.384 ± 0.019	<u>0.329 ± 0.015</u>	0.427 ± 0.010
	0.10	<b>0.250 ± 0.010</b>	0.333 ± 0.034	0.412 ± 0.047	0.417 ± 0.057	0.398 ± 0.072	0.308 ± 0.011	<u>0.287 ± 0.015</u>	0.399 ± 0.009
	0.20	<b>0.225 ± 0.008</b>	<u>0.244 ± 0.013</u>	0.342 ± 0.014	0.320 ± 0.017	0.341 ± 0.068	0.261 ± 0.008	0.245 ± 0.011	0.391 ± 0.010
	0.30	<b>0.212 ± 0.007</b>	0.240 ± 0.014	0.335 ± 0.015	0.300 ± 0.022	0.277 ± 0.059	0.236 ± 0.008	<u>0.221 ± 0.008</u>	0.384 ± 0.009
	0.50	0.194 ± 0.007	0.227 ± 0.012	0.340 ± 0.022	0.297 ± 0.016	<b>0.168 ± 0.003</b>	0.209 ± 0.008	<u>0.193 ± 0.008</u>	0.386 ± 0.009
Solar	0.05	<b>0.095 ± 0.015</b>	0.190 ± 0.020	0.241 ± 0.102	<u>0.115 ± 0.015</u>	0.374 ± 0.033	0.142 ± 0.016	0.165 ± 0.014	0.291 ± 0.009
	0.10	<b>0.083 ± 0.015</b>	0.159 ± 0.013	0.251 ± 0.081	<u>0.114 ± 0.014</u>	0.375 ± 0.038	0.124 ± 0.018	0.132 ± 0.015	0.276 ± 0.010
	0.20	<b>0.072 ± 0.015</b>	0.149 ± 0.020	0.314 ± 0.035	0.109 ± 0.016	0.217 ± 0.023	<u>0.108 ± 0.014</u>	0.109 ± 0.012	0.270 ± 0.010
	0.30	<b>0.061 ± 0.012</b>	0.135 ± 0.014	0.338 ± 0.05	0.108 ± 0.016	0.156 ± 0.002	0.100 ± 0.015	<u>0.098 ± 0.012</u>	0.266 ± 0.010
	0.50	<b>0.054 ± 0.013</b>	0.098 ± 0.013	0.315 ± 0.080	0.107 ± 0.015	<u>0.079 ± 0.011</u>	0.094 ± 0.013	0.088 ± 0.013	0.262 ± 0.009
Traffic	0.05	0.283 ± 0.016	<b>0.246 ± 0.010</b>	0.406 ± 0.074	0.318 ± 0.014	0.337 ± 0.045	0.293 ± 0.007	<u>0.261 ± 0.010</u>	0.363 ± 0.007
	0.10	<b>0.211 ± 0.012</b>	<u>0.214 ± 0.007</u>	0.319 ± 0.025	0.288 ± 0.018	0.288 ± 0.017	0.237 ± 0.006	0.245 ± 0.009	0.362 ± 0.006
	0.20	<b>0.168 ± 0.006</b>	0.216 ± 0.006	0.270 ± 0.012	0.271 ± 0.011	0.269 ± 0.017	<u>0.197 ± 0.005</u>	0.224 ± 0.008	0.361 ± 0.006
	0.30	<b>0.151 ± 0.007</b>	<u>0.172 ± 0.008</u>	0.251 ± 0.006	0.259 ± 0.012	0.240 ± 0.037	0.180 ± 0.006	0.197 ± 0.007	0.355 ± 0.006
	0.50	<b>0.139 ± 0.007</b>	0.171 ± 0.005	0.278 ± 0.040	0.240 ± 0.021	<u>0.144 ± 0.022</u>	0.160 ± 0.008	0.161 ± 0.060	0.354 ± 0.007
TimeFlow improvement		/	24.14 %	50.53 %	31.61 %	36.12 %	20.33 %	18.90 %	53.40 %

# Imputation

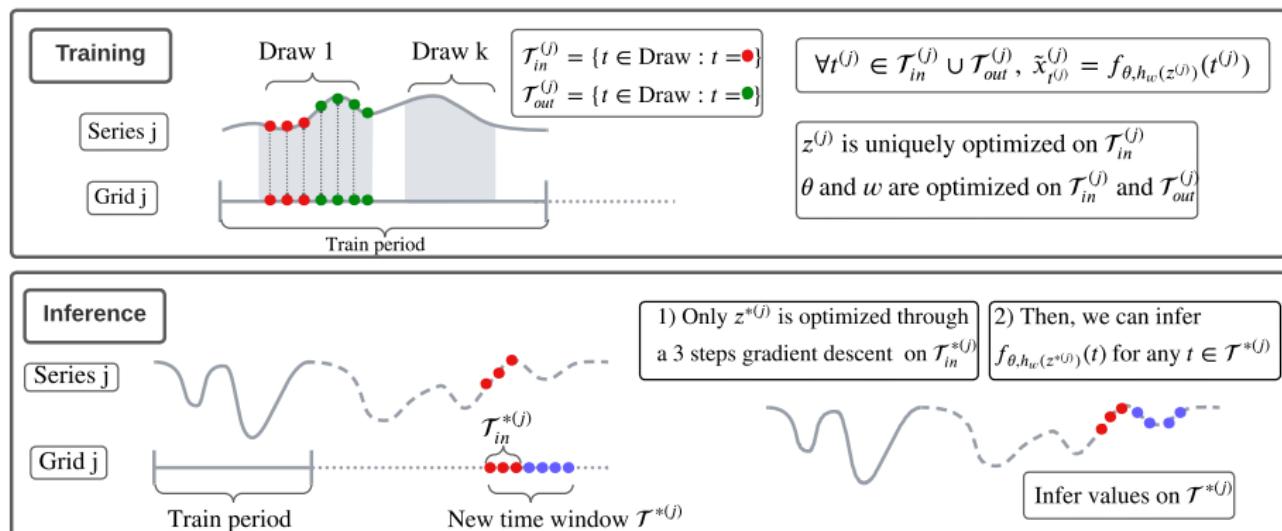
Individual 35: TimeFlow MAE : 0.316 BRITS MAE : 0.488



Individual 25: TimeFlow MAE : 0.404 BRITS MAE : 0.737



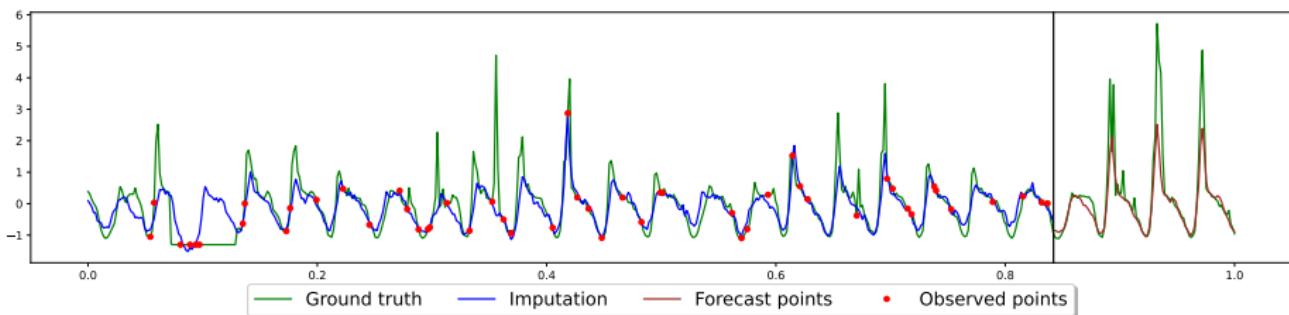
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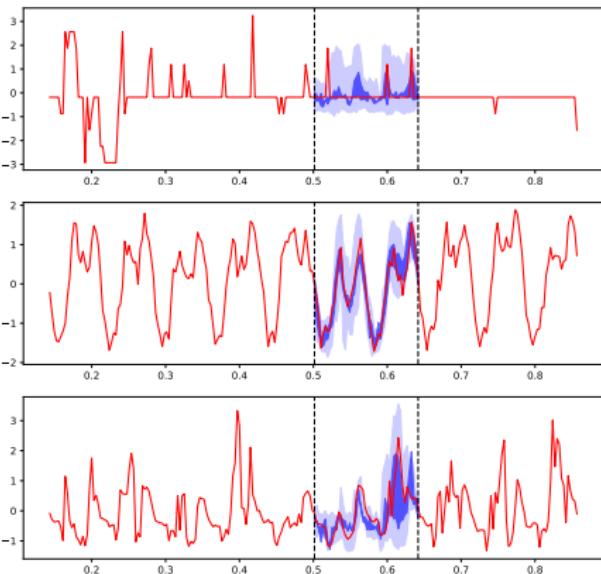
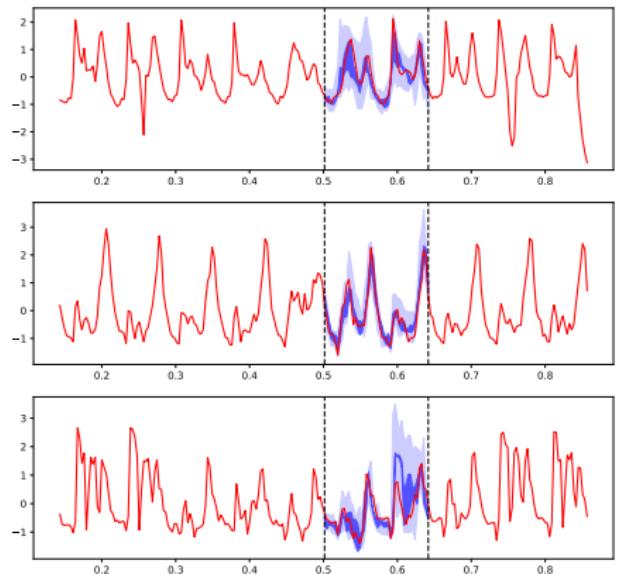
	H	Continuous methods				Discrete methods			
		TimeFlow	DeepTime	Neural Process	Patch-TST	DLinear	AutoFormer	Informer	
Electricity	96	<b>0.218 ± 0.017</b>	0.240 ± 0.027	0.392 ± 0.045	<b>0.214 ± 0.020</b>	0.236 ± 0.035	0.310 ± 0.031	0.293 ± 0.0184	
	192	<b>0.238 ± 0.012</b>	0.251 ± 0.023	0.401 ± 0.046	<b>0.225 ± 0.017</b>	0.248 ± 0.032	0.322 ± 0.046	0.336 ± 0.032	
	336	<b>0.265 ± 0.036</b>	0.290 ± 0.034	0.434 ± 0.075	<b>0.242 ± 0.024</b>	0.284 ± 0.043	0.330 ± 0.019	0.405 ± 0.044	
	720	<b>0.318 ± 0.073</b>	0.356 ± 0.060	0.605 ± 0.149	<b>0.291 ± 0.040</b>	0.370 ± 0.086	0.456 ± 0.052	0.489 ± 0.072	
SolarH	96	<b>0.172 ± 0.017</b>	<u>0.197 ± 0.002</u>	0.221 ± 0.048	0.232 ± 0.008	0.204 ± 0.002	0.261 ± 0.053	0.273 ± 0.023	
	192	<b>0.198 ± 0.010</b>	<u>0.202 ± 0.014</u>	0.244 ± 0.048	0.231 ± 0.027	0.211 ± 0.012	0.312 ± 0.085	0.256 ± 0.026	
	336	<u>0.207 ± 0.019</u>	<b>0.200 ± 0.012</b>	0.241 ± 0.005	0.254 ± 0.048	0.212 ± 0.019	0.341 ± 0.107	0.287 ± 0.006	
	720	<b>0.215 ± 0.016</b>	<u>0.240 ± 0.011</u>	0.403 ± 0.147	0.271 ± 0.036	0.246 ± 0.015	0.368 ± 0.006	0.341 ± 0.049	
Traffic	96	<u>0.216 ± 0.033</u>	0.229 ± 0.032	0.283 ± 0.028	<b>0.201 ± 0.031</b>	0.225 ± 0.034	0.299 ± 0.080	0.324 ± 0.113	
	192	<u>0.208 ± 0.021</u>	0.220 ± 0.020	0.292 ± 0.023	<b>0.195 ± 0.024</b>	0.215 ± 0.022	0.320 ± 0.036	0.321 ± 0.052	
	336	<u>0.237 ± 0.040</u>	0.247 ± 0.033	0.305 ± 0.039	<b>0.220 ± 0.036</b>	0.244 ± 0.035	0.450 ± 0.127	0.394 ± 0.066	
	720	<b>0.266 ± 0.048</b>	0.290 ± 0.045	0.339 ± 0.037	<u>0.268 ± 0.050</u>	0.290 ± 0.047	0.630 ± 0.043	0.441 ± 0.055	
TimeFlow improvement		/	6.56 %	30.79 %	2.64 %	7.30 %	35.43 %	33.07 %	

# A flexible framework



Forecast on sparsely observed look-back window

# A flexible framework



— Ground Truth    ■ q25-q75    ■ q5-q95

Quantifying uncertainty on block imputation ( $\mathcal{L}$  is the pinball loss)

# Conclusion

## Synthesis

- (i) A versatile framework that can handle a wide range of tasks and settings
- (ii) Superior or comparable performance with discrete state-of-the-art baselines in imputation and forecasting

## Limitations

- (i) Slower at inference compare to existing baselines
- (ii) Does not allow drastic distribution shifts

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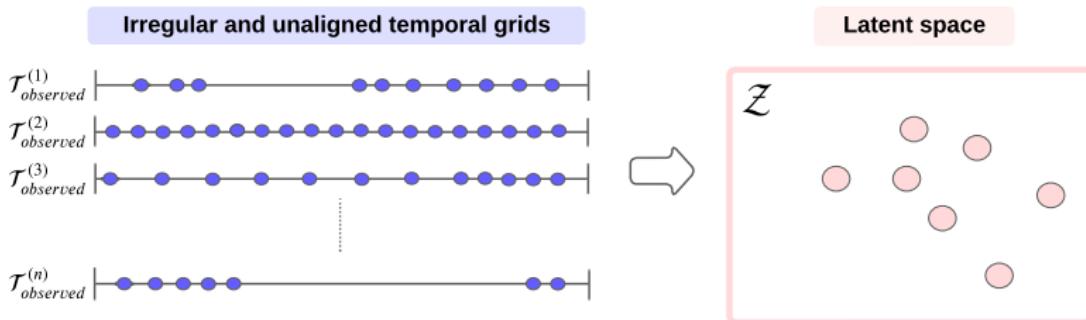
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## **Flexible representations**

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# Learn representations from irregular/unaligned time series

## Extract aligned representations



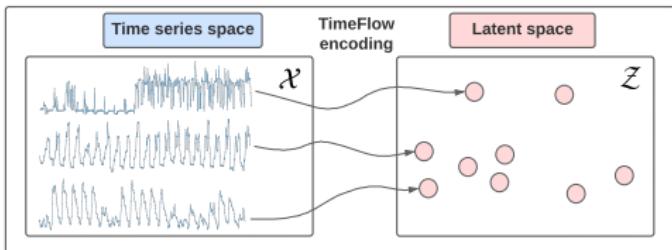
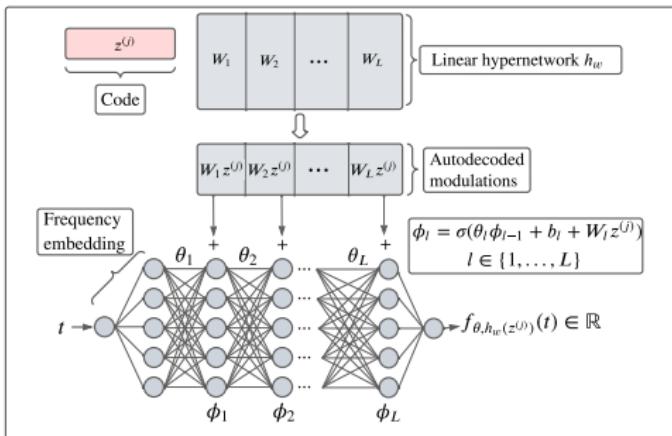
## Motivations

- A well-aligned latent space makes it easier to perform downstream tasks
- This two-stage approach is underexplored

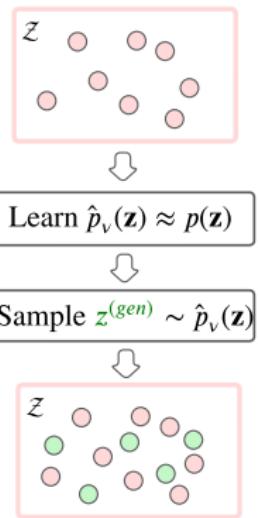
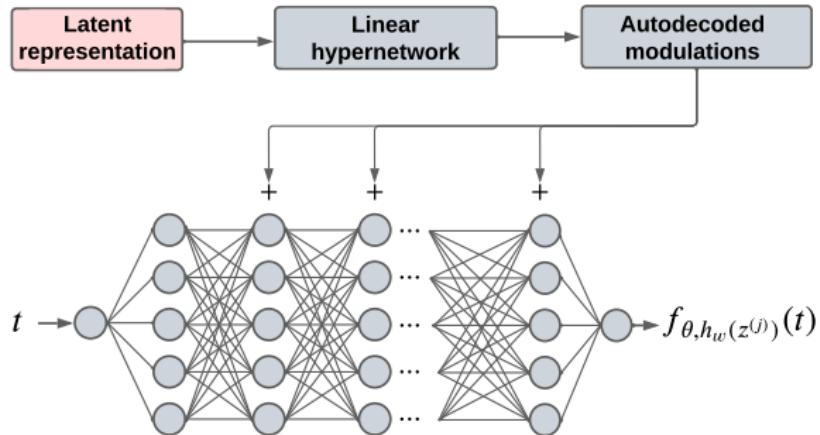
# TimeFlow can capture flexible representations

- Auto-decoding mechanism extracts a representation  $z^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  for a time series  $x^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{T^{(j)}}$
- For a time series dataset  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^n$  we can build the corresponding representations dataset  $\{\mathbf{z}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^n$

- Is the latent space  $\mathcal{Z}$  efficient for downstream tasks ?



# Example of downstream task : unconditional generation



- **Motivations:** data augmentation, overcoming privacy/property constraints
- **Training procedure:** (i) Fit TimeFlow (ii) Learn a Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Model (DDPM) on the learned representations
- **Inference procedure:** (i) Sample a new representation (ii) Decode the representation

# Experiments

## Experimental setup

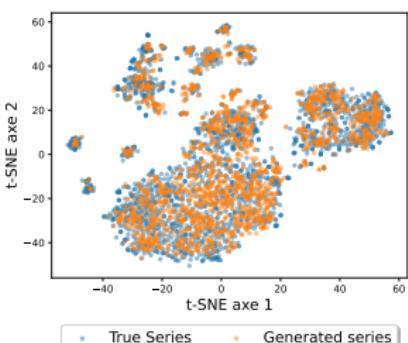
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- We want to assess the **fidelity** and diversity

	TimeFlow + DDPM	DDPM only	TimeGAN	Fully separable generation
Discriminative score ↓	<b>0.1388</b>	0.1704	0.4890	0.5000

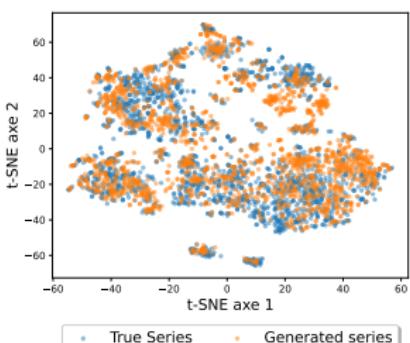
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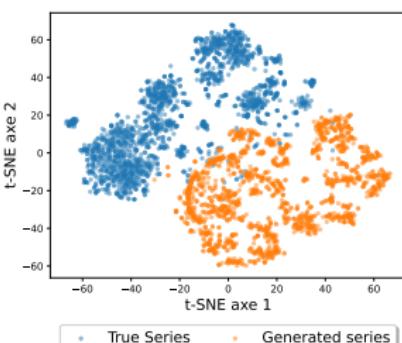
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(a) t-SNE ours



(b) t-SNE DDPM only



(c) t-SNE TimeGan

# Conclusion

## Synthesis

- (i) A semantically rich latent space
- (ii) The representations can encode irregular/unaligned time series
- (iii) First unconditional generation experiments are convincing

## Limitations and perspectives

- (i) Unconditional generation experiments performed on only one dataset
- (ii) Other downstream tasks should be explored to assess usefulness for downstream tasks

## Conclusion

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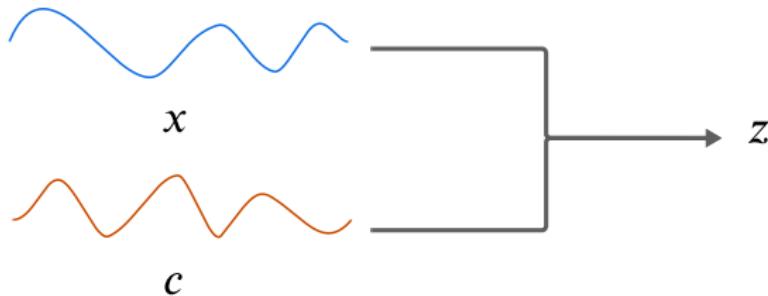
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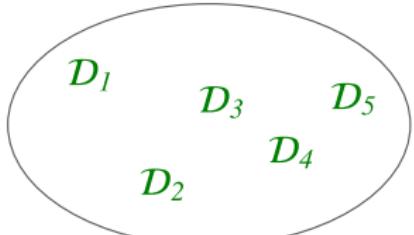
# Perspectives

## Multivariate time series and context variables

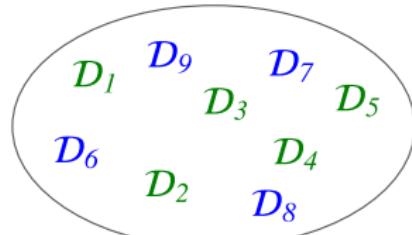


## Foundation models for time series

Train sets



Inference sets



# Thank you !

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