



Quantum Deep Learning

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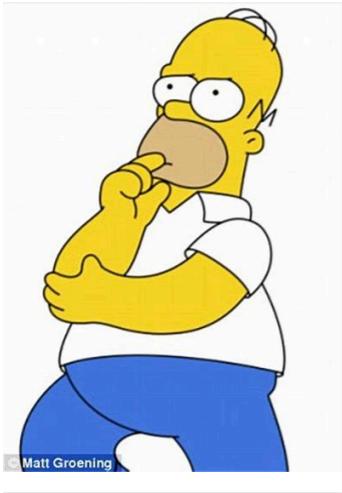
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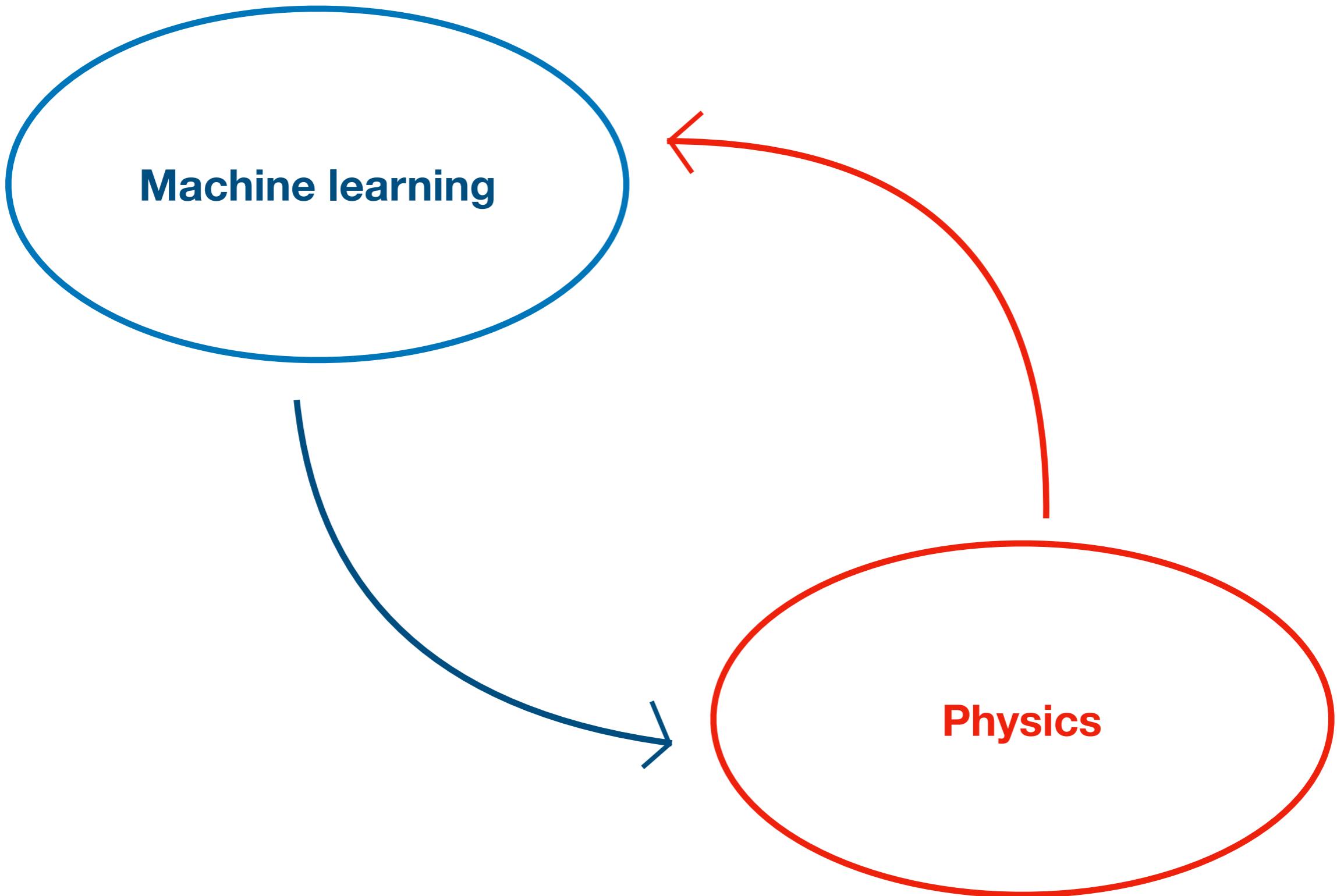
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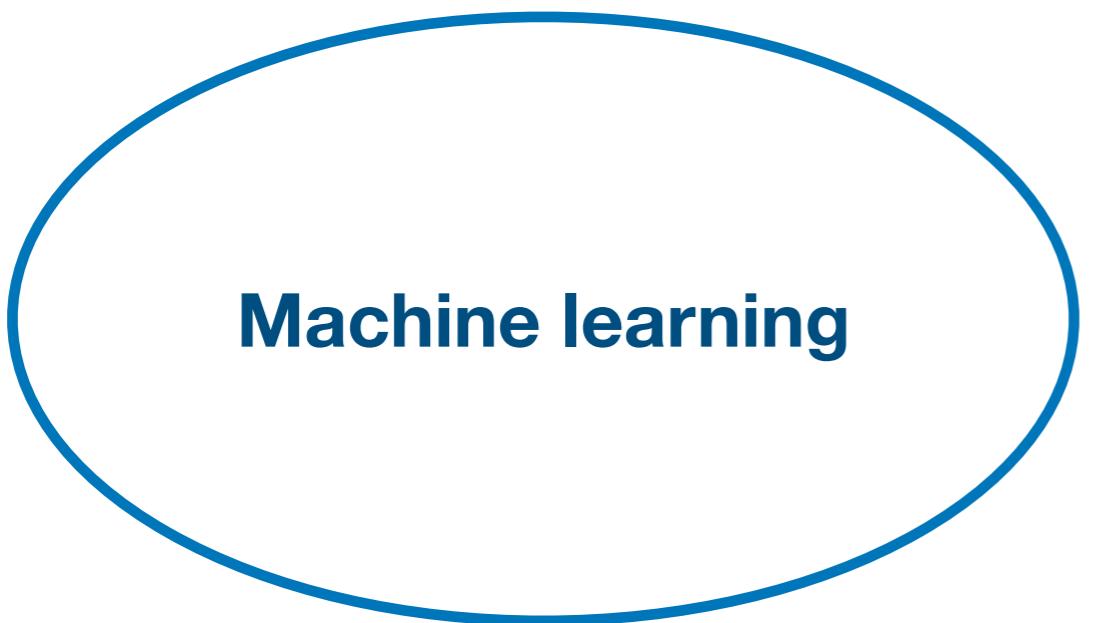


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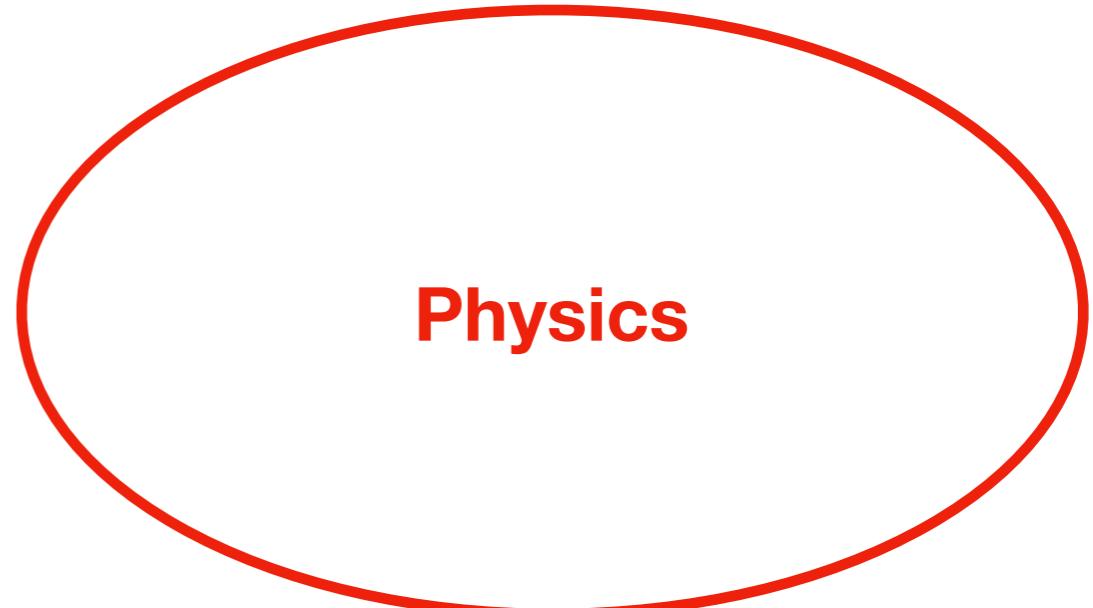
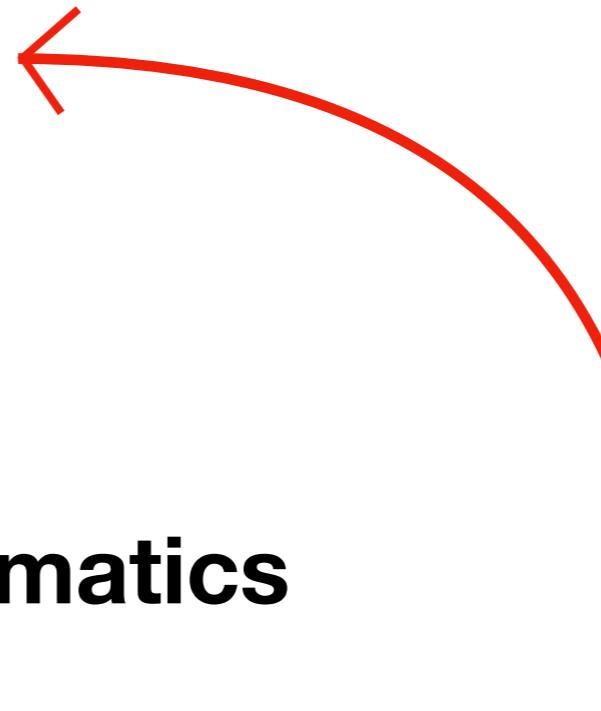
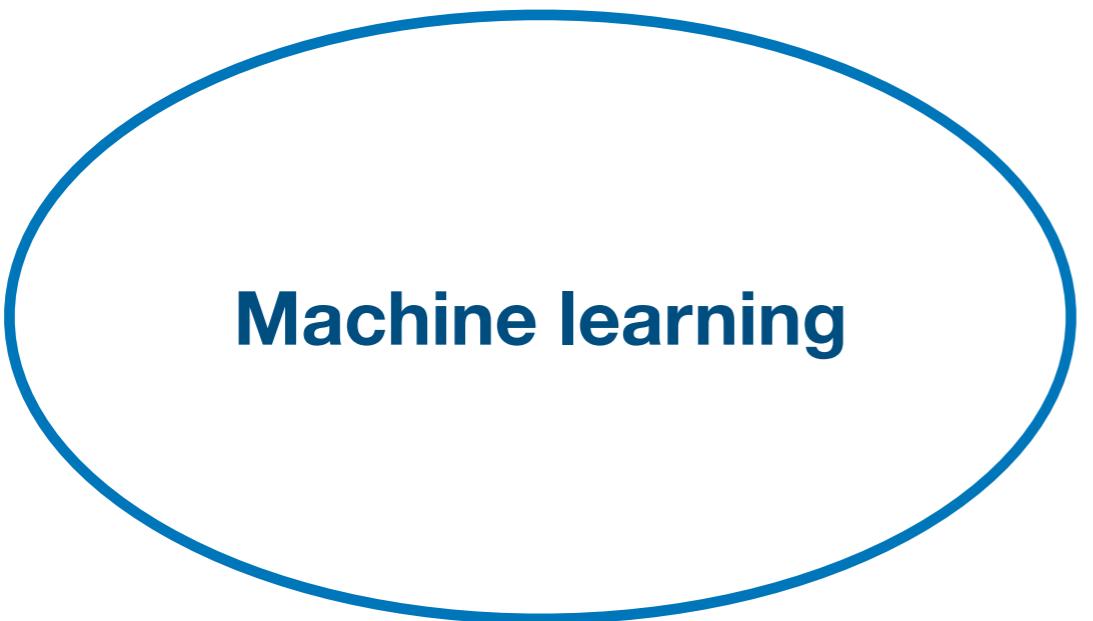
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Outline

1. Supervised vs. Unsupervised Learning
2. Renormalization and Boltzmann Machines
3. Deep Learning and Quantum Entanglement
4. Equivariant Convolutional Neural Networks and Gauge Theory
5. Outlook

Supervised vs. Unsupervised

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Stochastic gradient descent

$$\lambda' = \lambda - \eta \nabla_{\lambda} \mathcal{L}_{tot}(\lambda)$$

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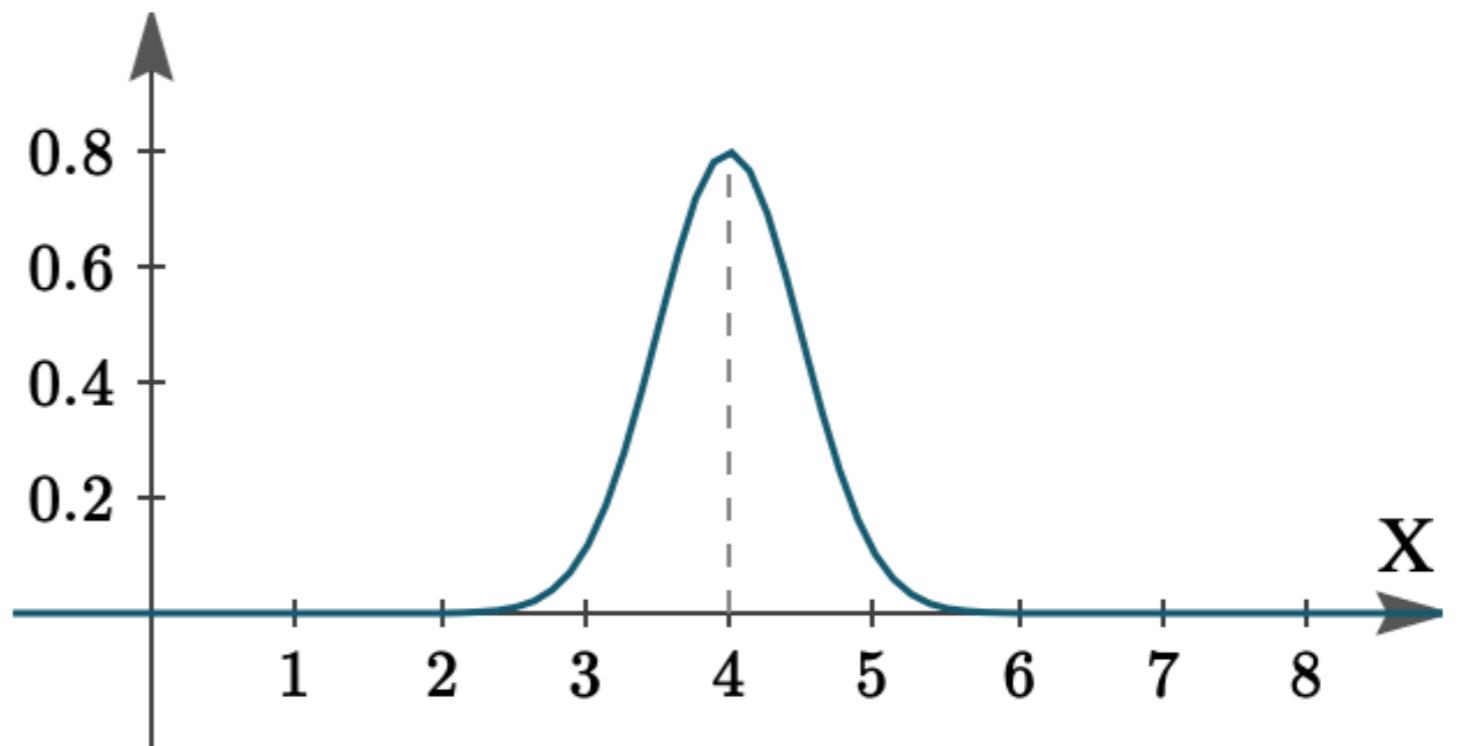
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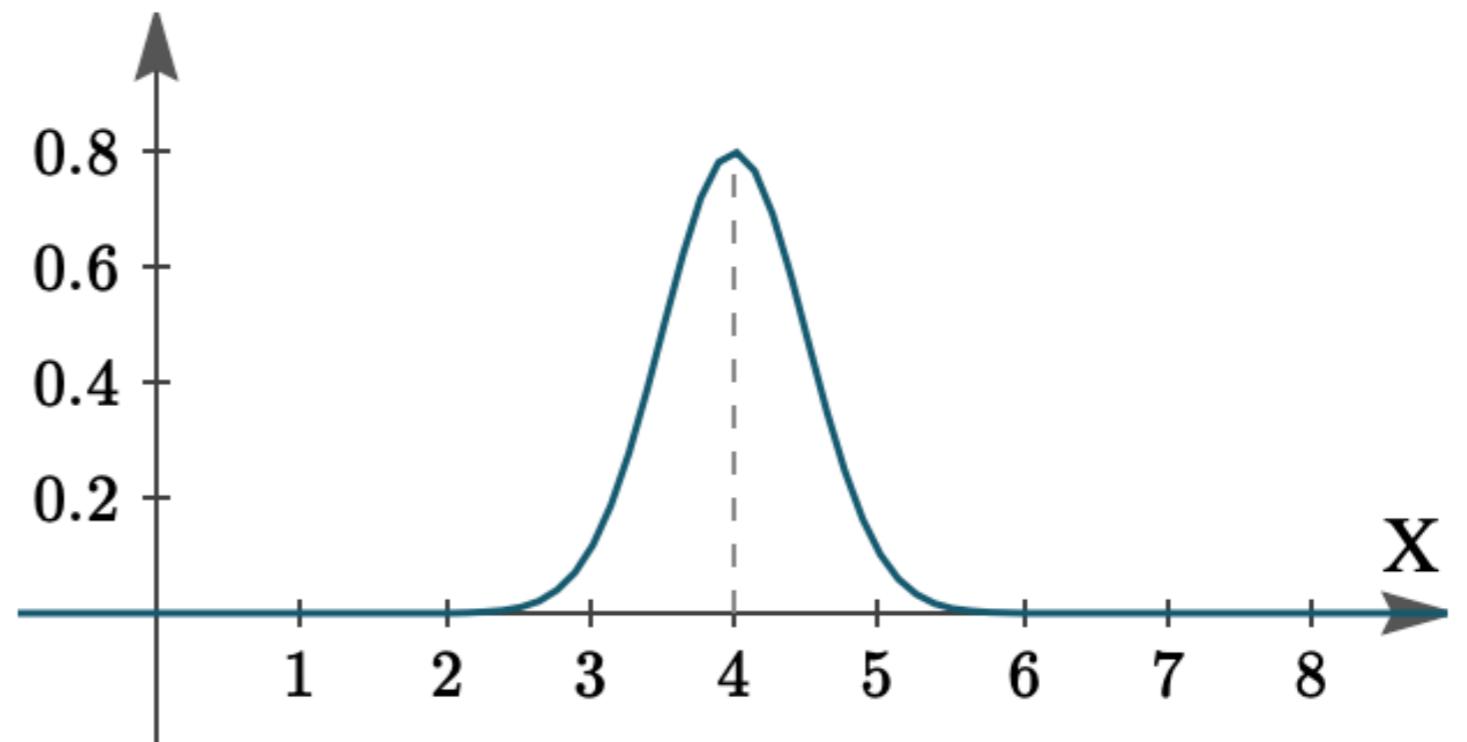
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[Picture from thispersondoesnotexist.com]

Picture generated using a **GAN**

Boltzmann Machines & Renormalization

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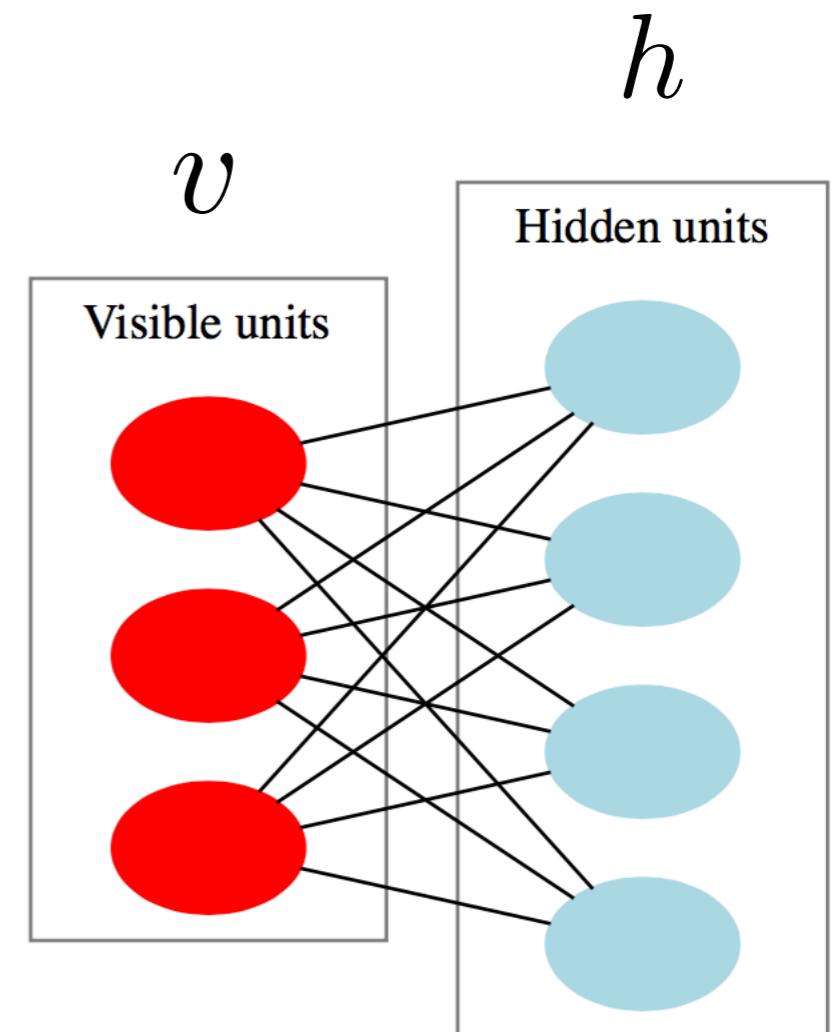
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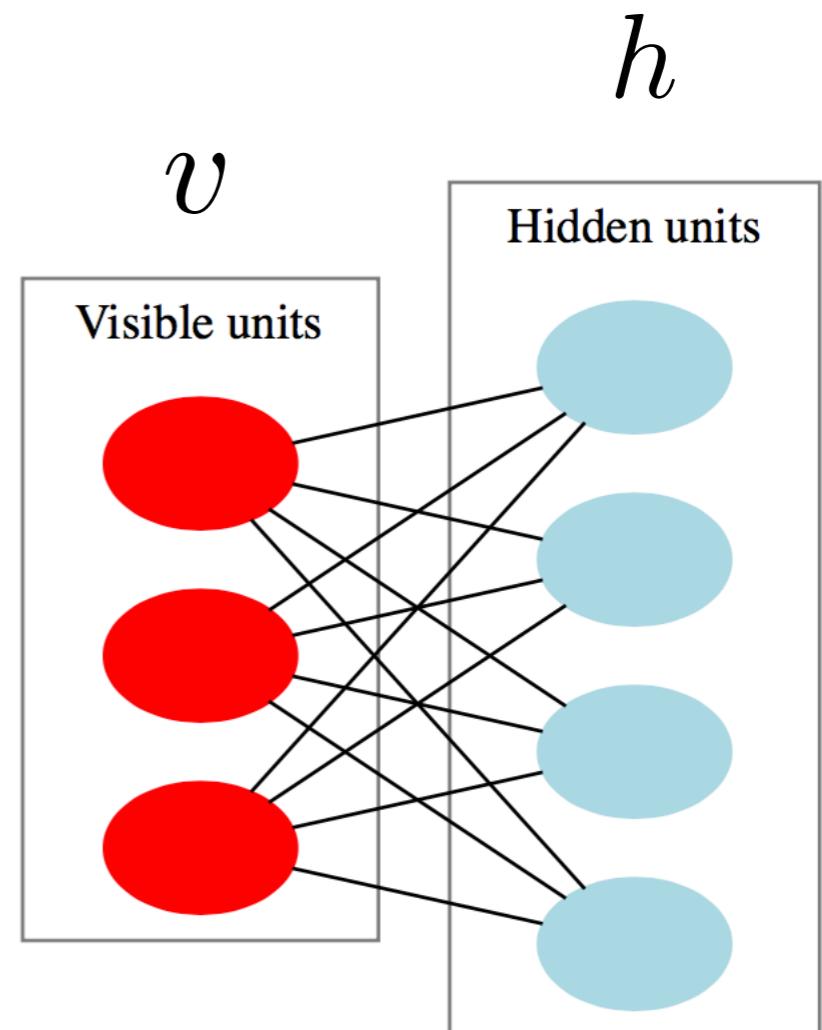
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Energy function:

$$E(v, h) = v^T Wh + av + bh$$

Variational parameters (weights):

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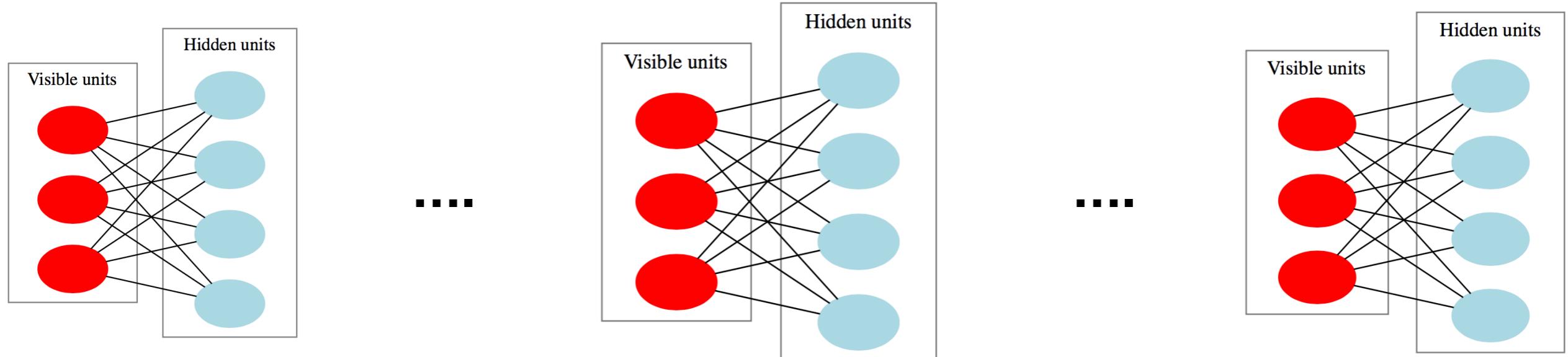
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Representability theorem [Le Roux, Bengio]:

A restricted Boltzmann machine can model any discrete probability distribution given sufficiently many hidden units.

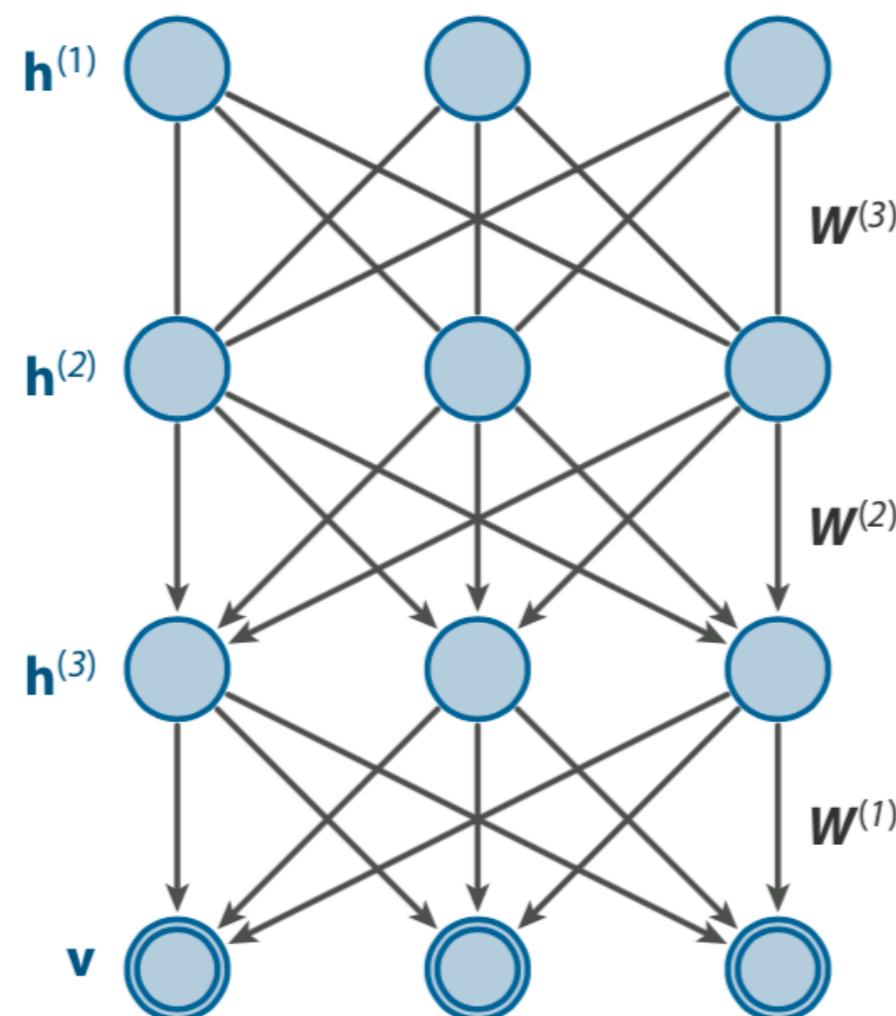
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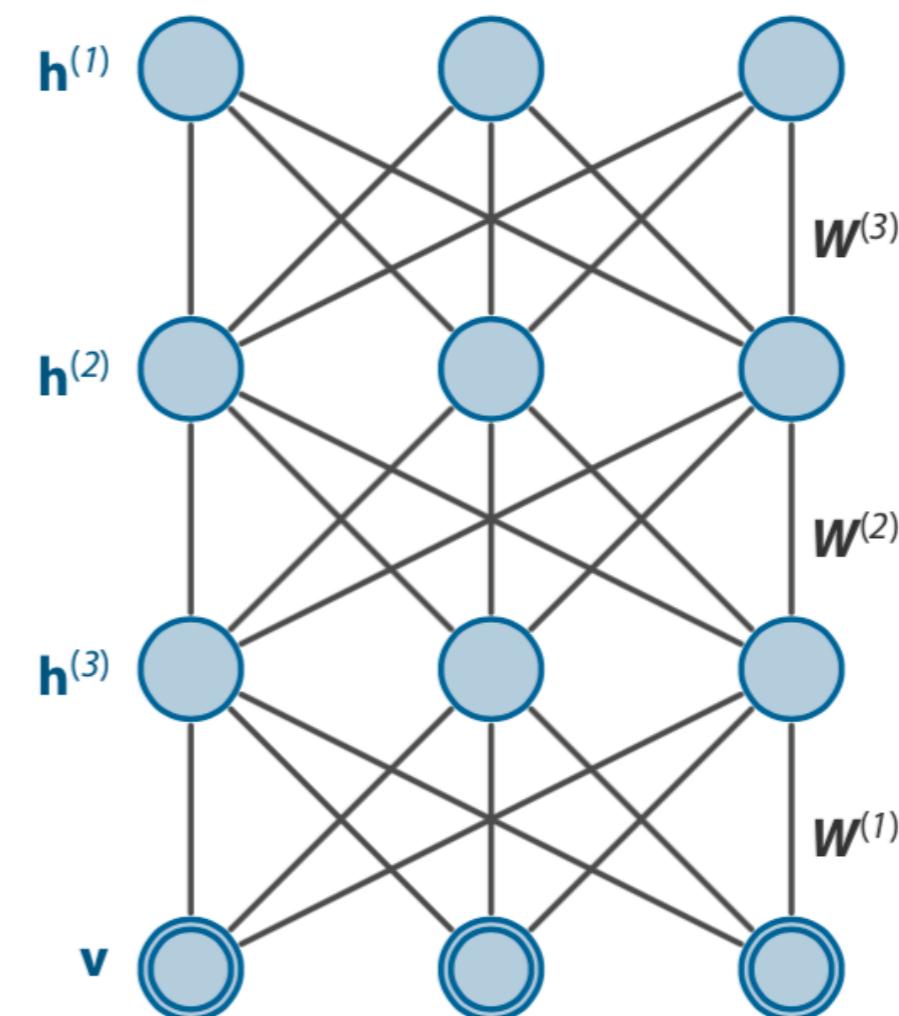


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a Deep belief network



b Deep Boltzmann machine



[Figure from Salakhutdinov]

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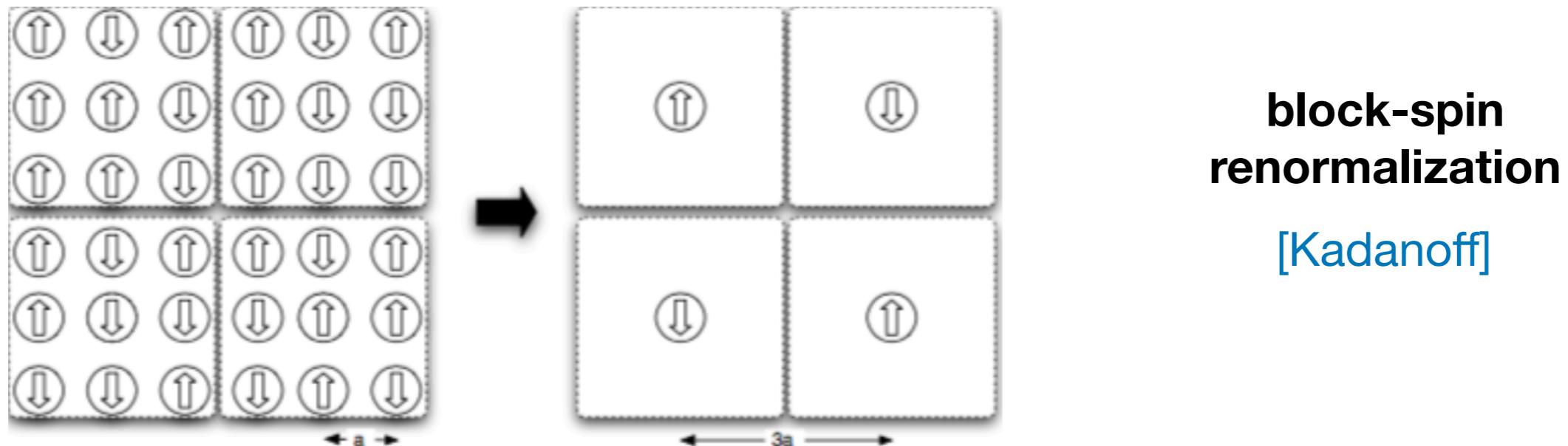
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Statistical physics: Different microscopic theories flow to one macroscopic theory.



Suggests some kind of **universality property** of neural networks

Block-spin renormalization

[Kadanoff]

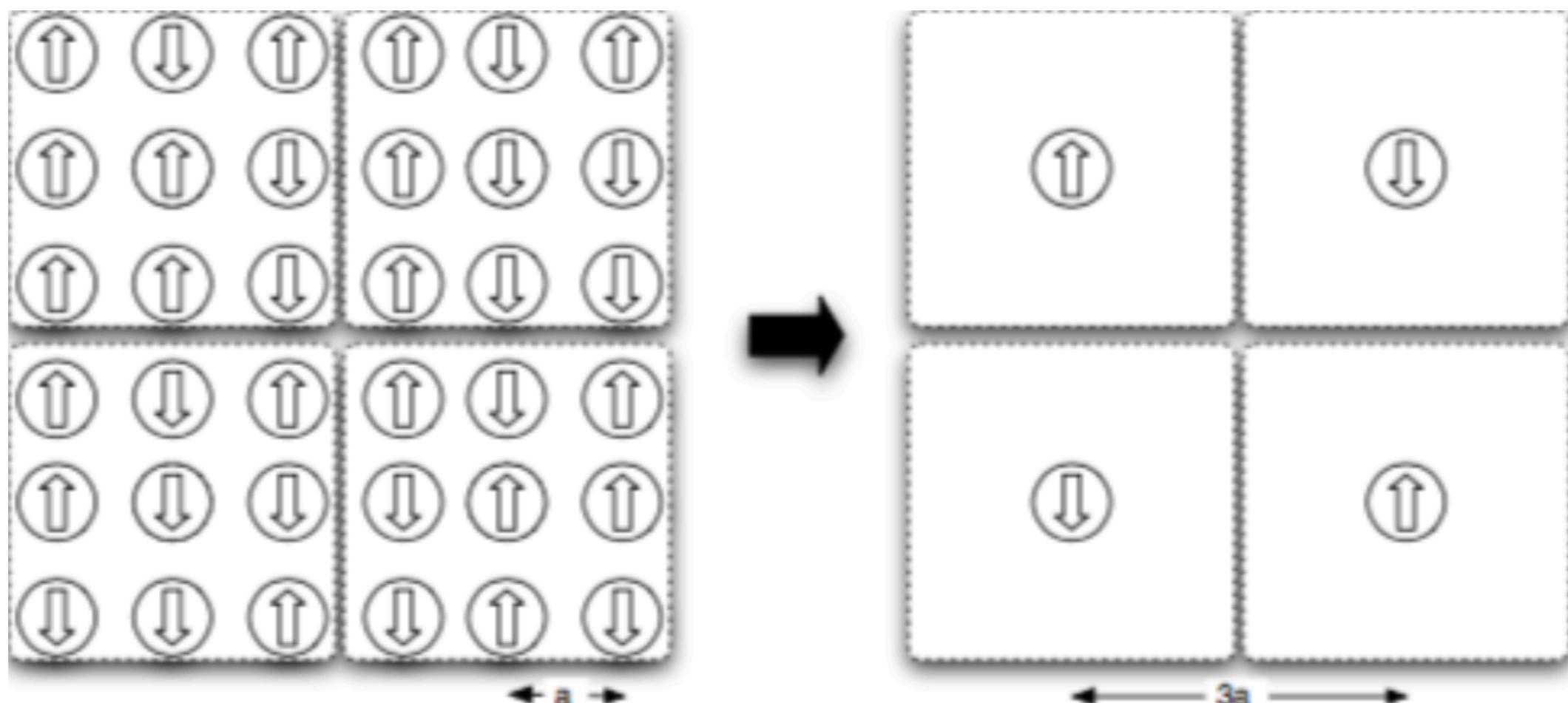
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We can think of renormalization as a **flow** to larger and larger scales



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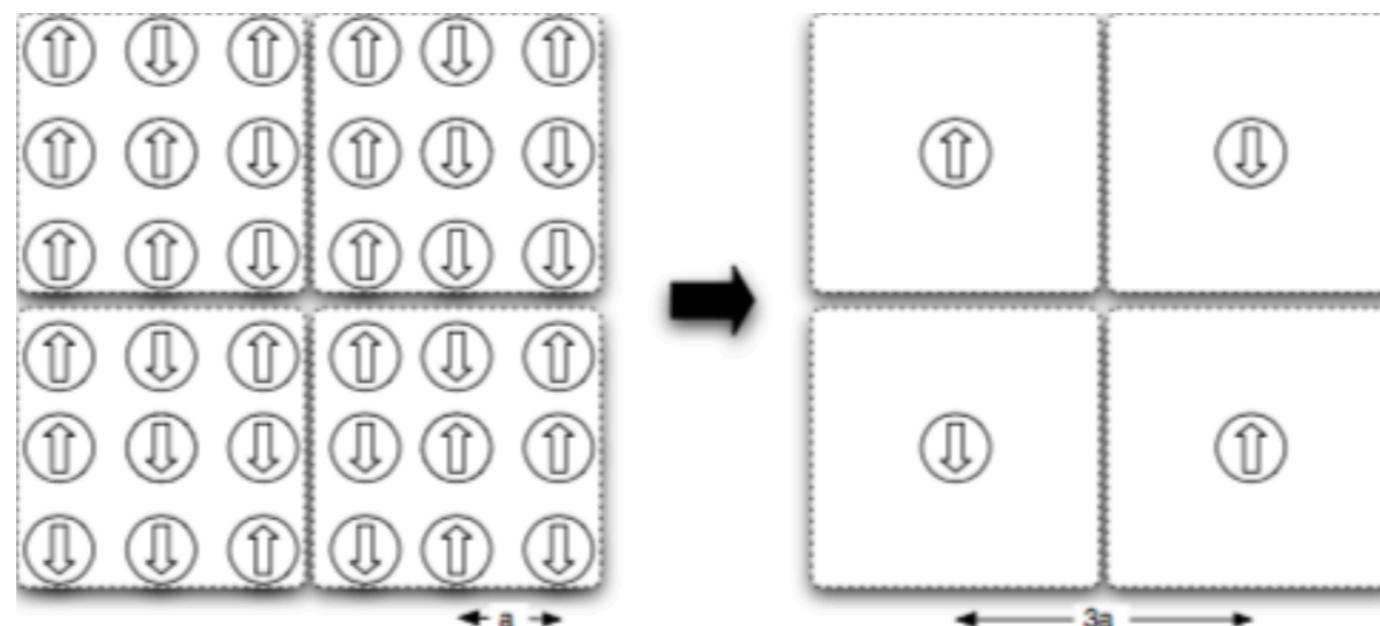
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If there exists new couplings $\{J'_\nu\}$ such that the Hamiltonian of the new system is of the same form $H(\{s'_j\}, \{J'_\nu\})$ this is a **renormalization transf.**

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Each transformation is implemented via a **RG-function** $T(\{s\}, \{s'\})$

by “**integrating out**” the original state variables

$$e^{-H(\{s'_j\})} = \sum_i e^{T(\{s_i\}, \{s'_j\}) - H(\{s_i\})}$$

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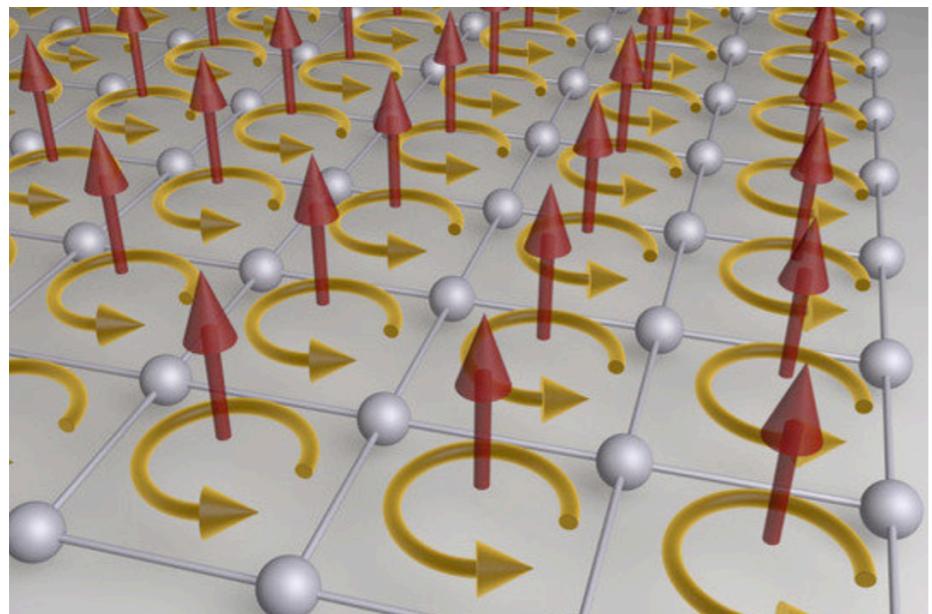


Deep Learning Quantum Many Body Physics

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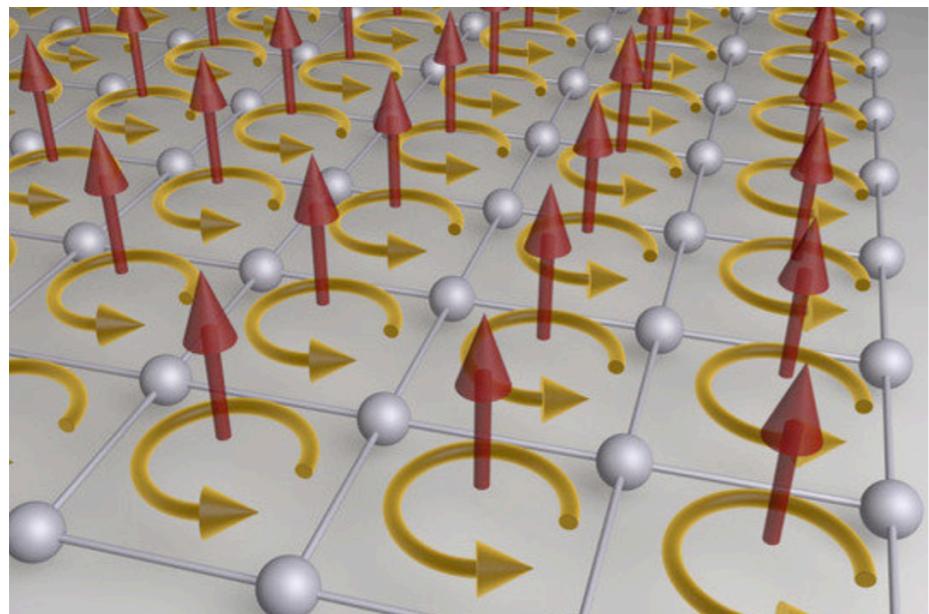


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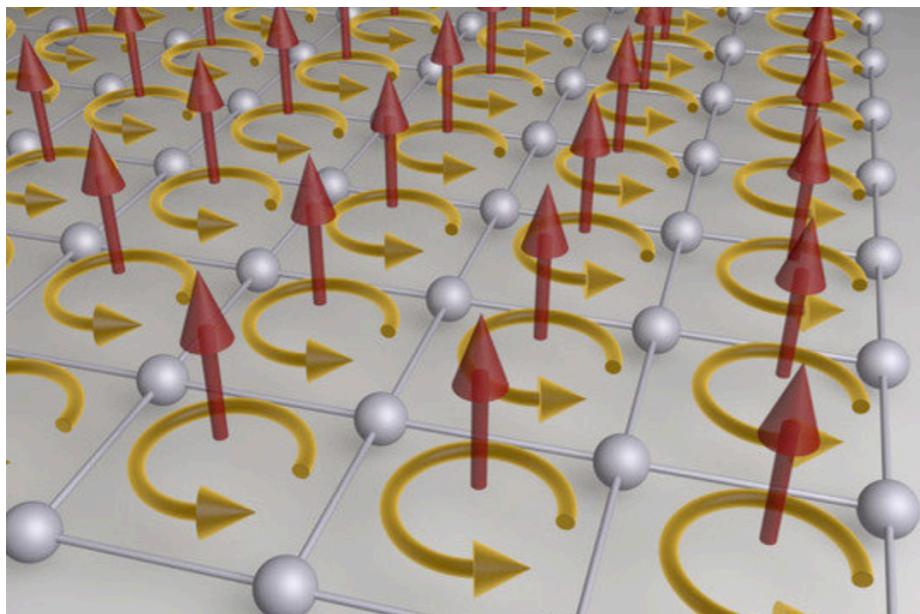
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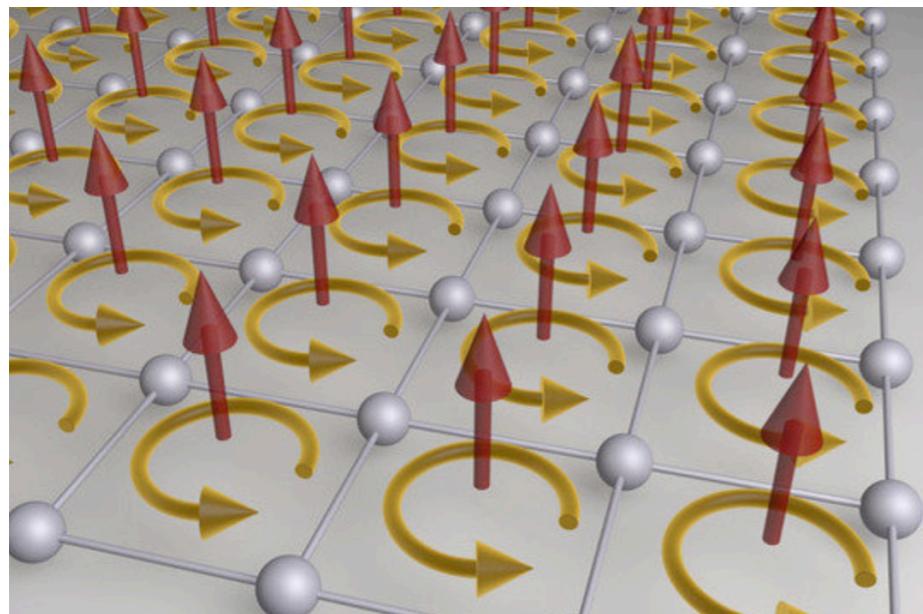
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Very difficult problem!
Quantum Monte Carlo,
Tensor Networks...

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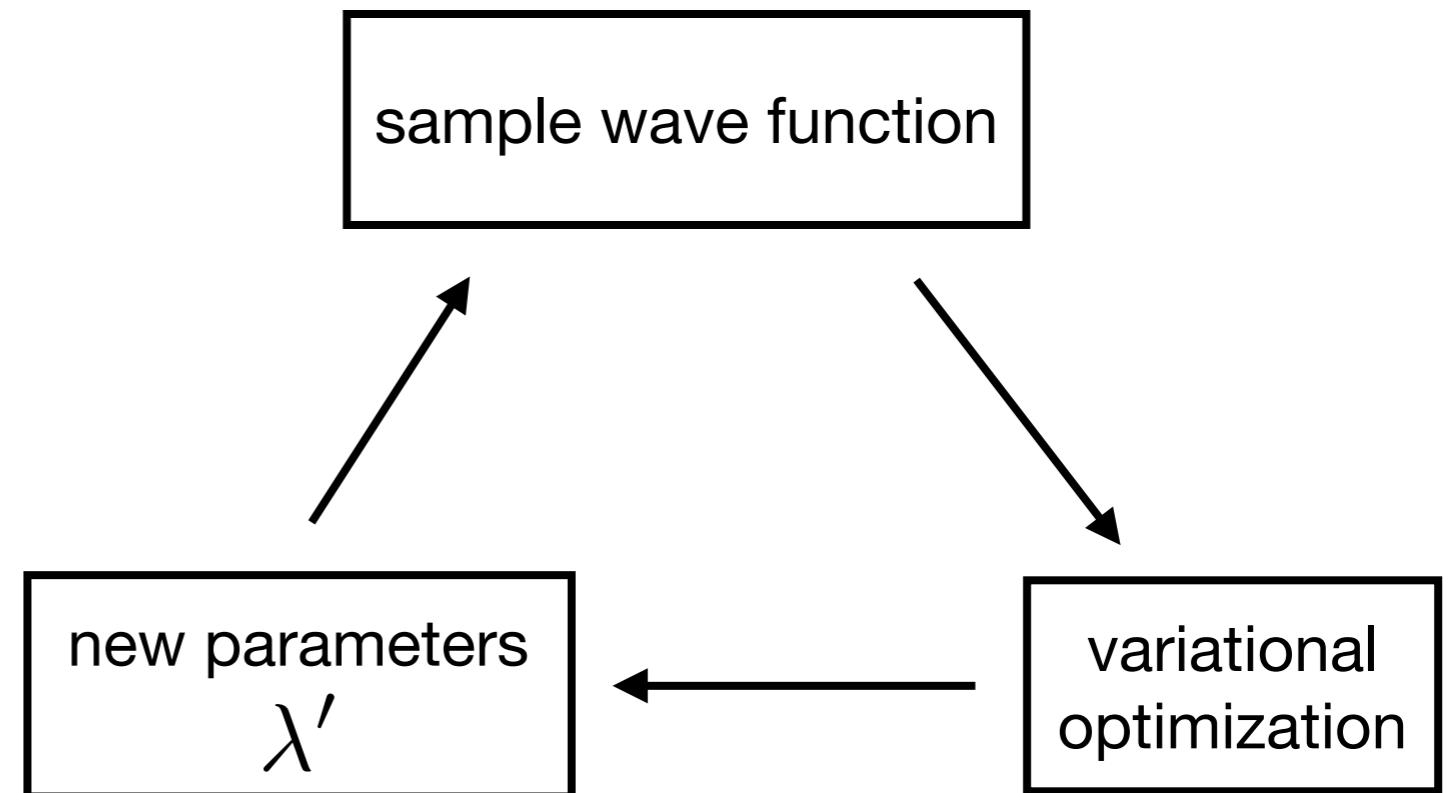
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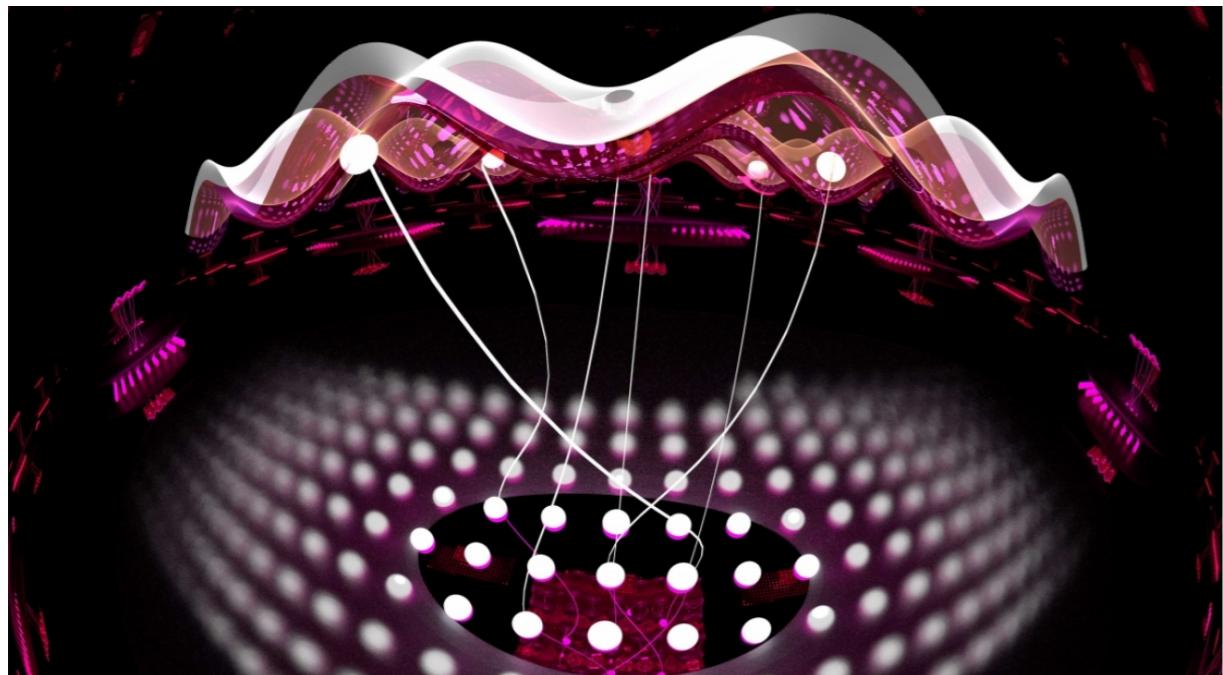
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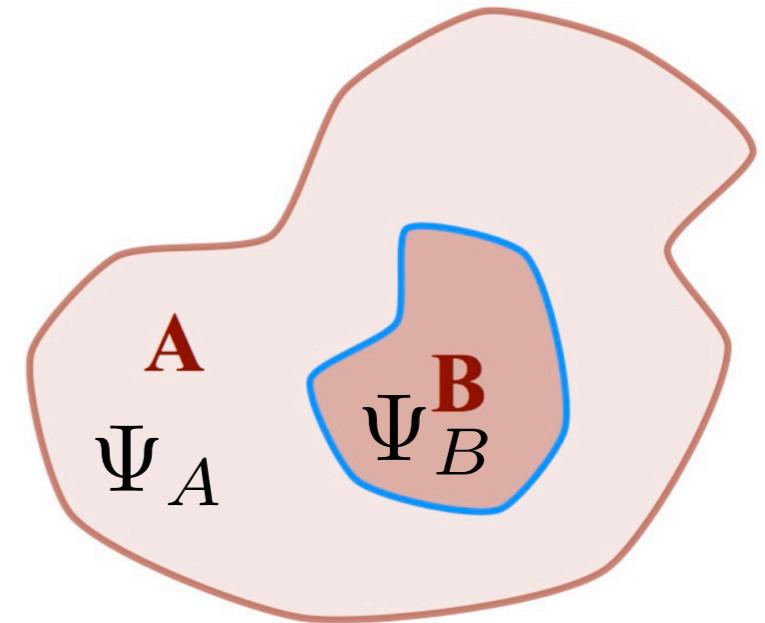
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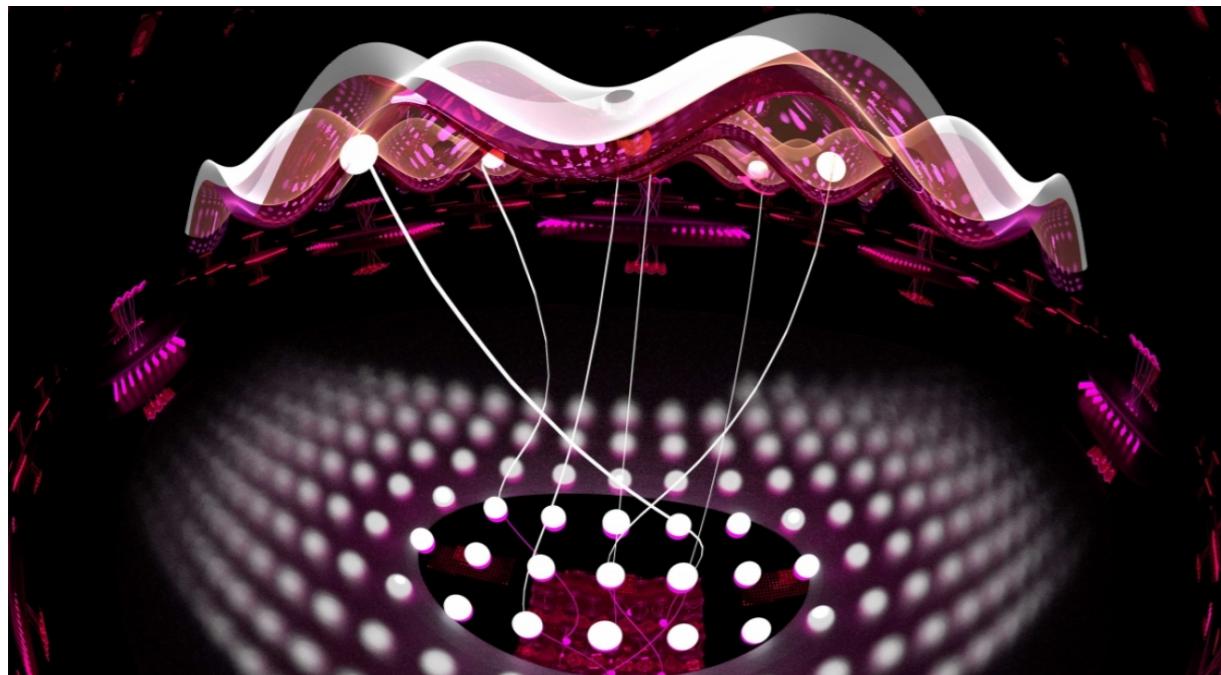


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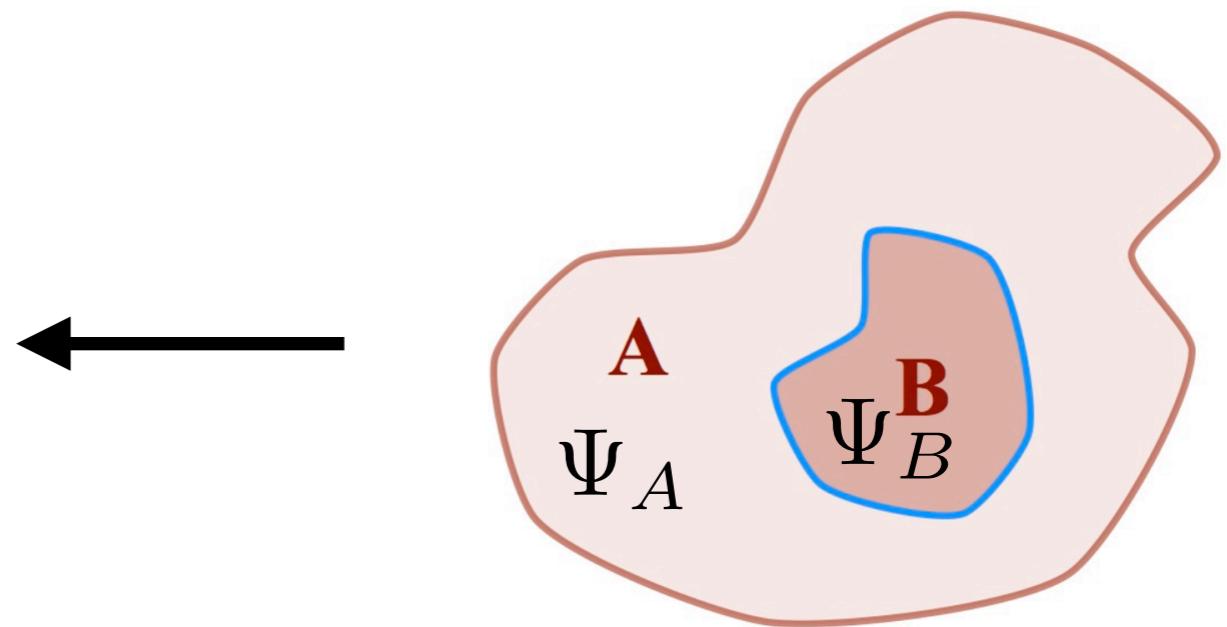


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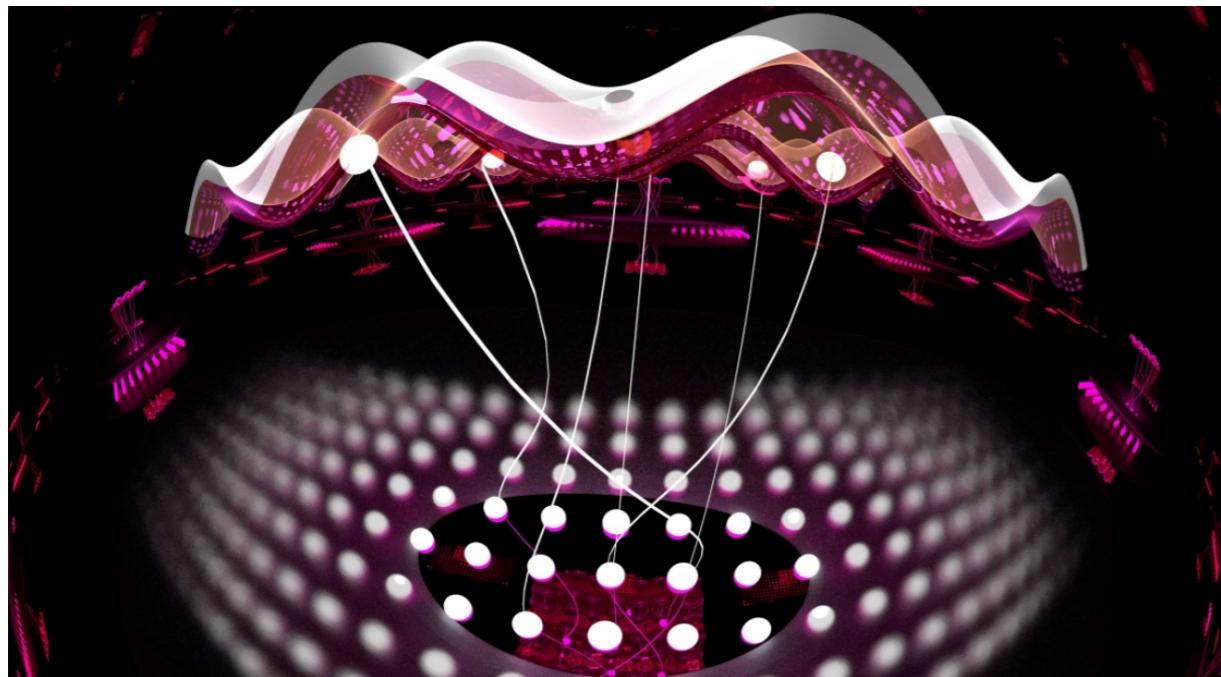
$$\rho_A(|\Psi\rangle) = \text{Tr}_B(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|)$$

reduced density matrix

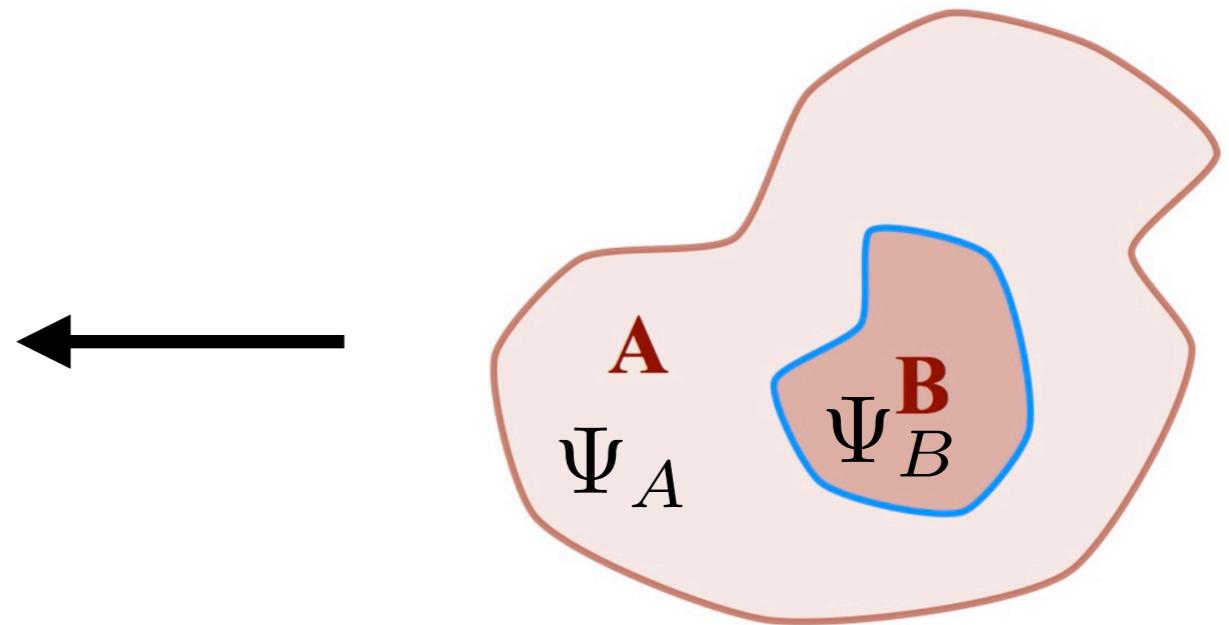
$$S(A) = -\text{Tr}(\rho_A \log \rho_A)$$

Entanglement entropy
(Von Neumann entropy)

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$$S(A) \sim \text{Area}(\partial B)$$

short range RBM

$$S(A) \sim \text{Vol}(B)$$

long range RBM

→ Gives a measure of the long-range correlations in neural networks

[Deng, Li, Sarma, Phys. Rev. X, 7, 021021 (2017)]

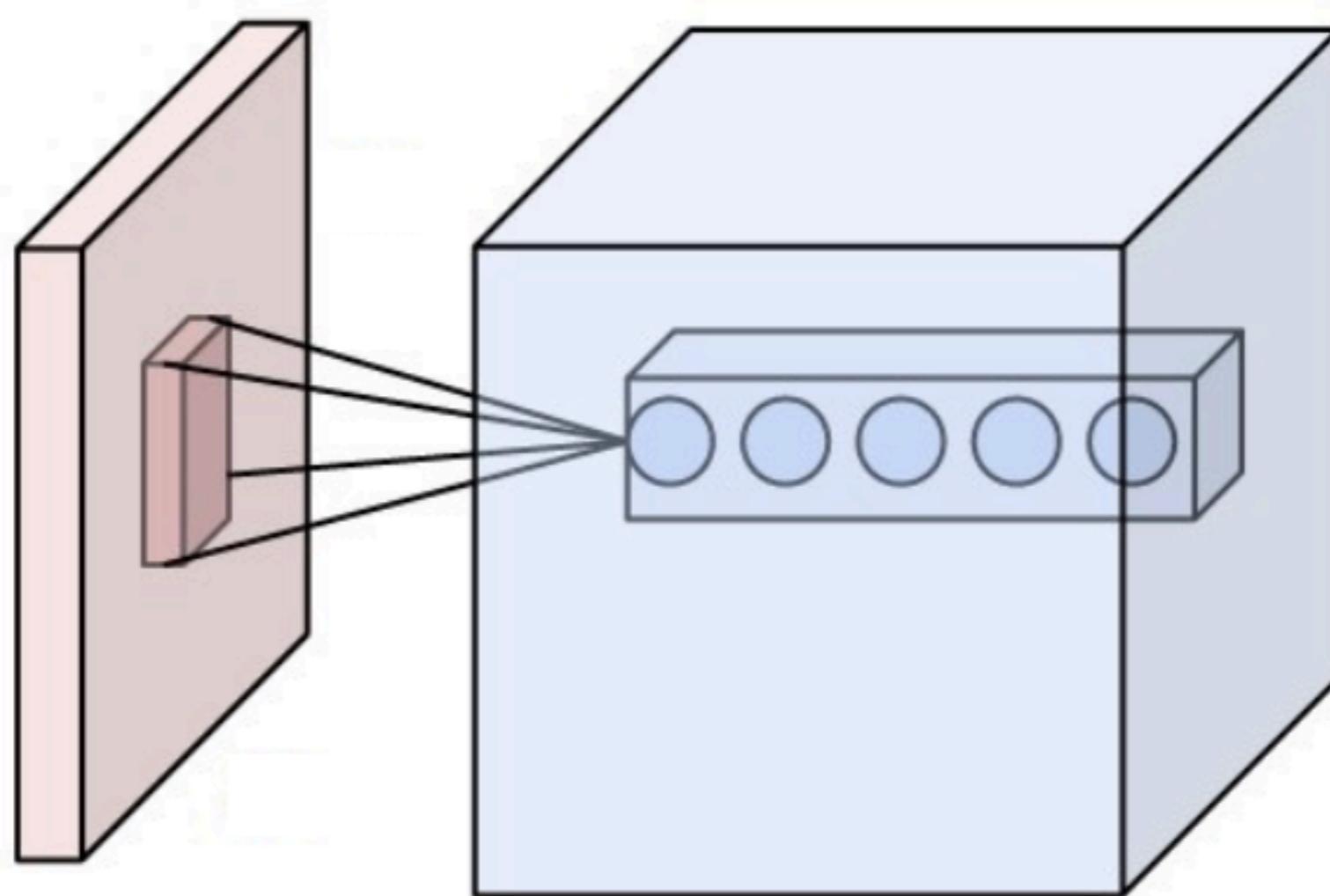
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Group equivariant CNNs and gauge theory

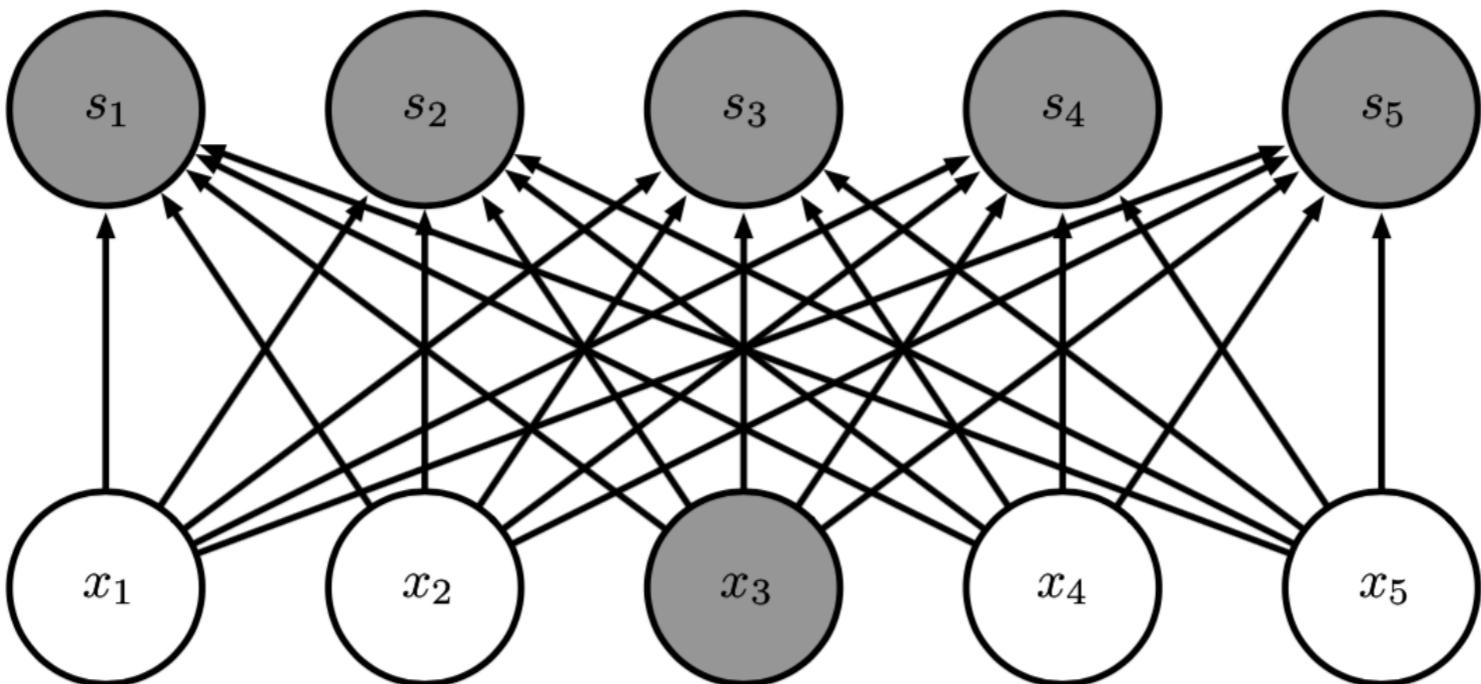
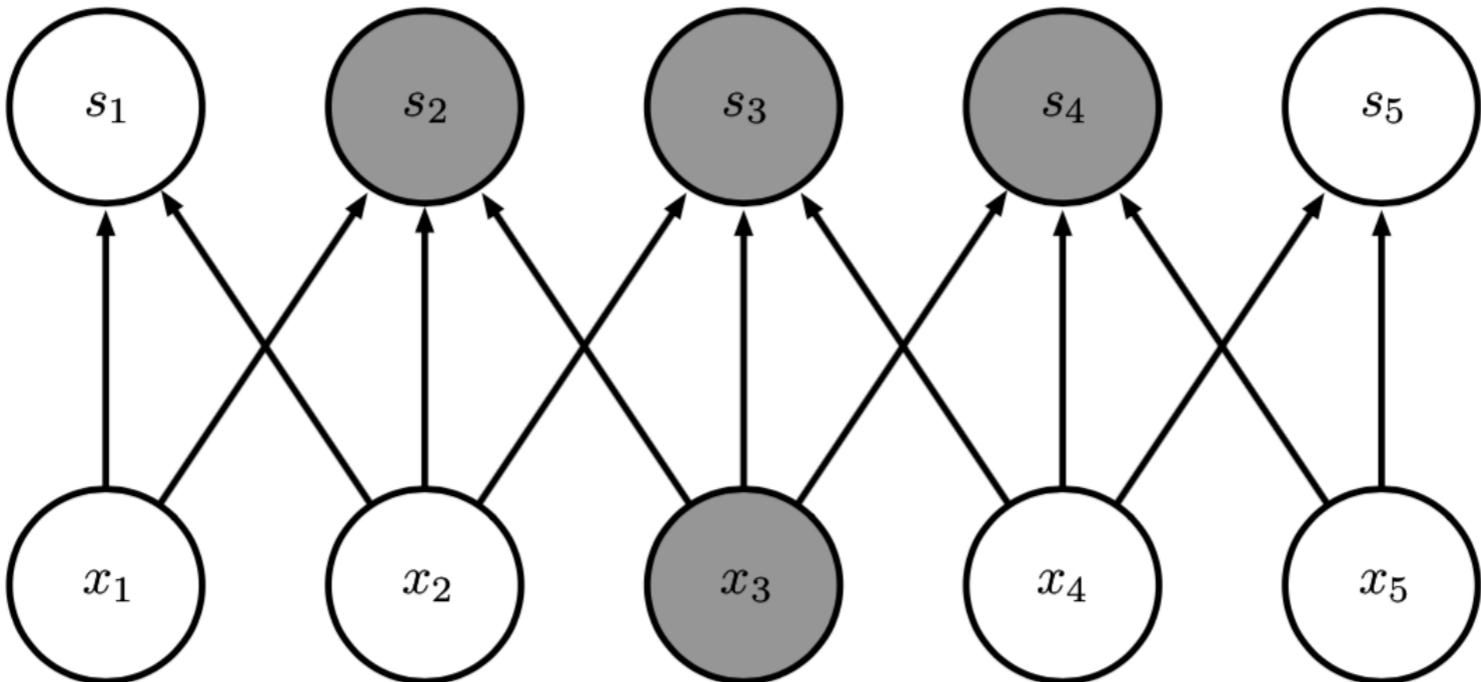
Convolutional Neural Networks

“Convolutional networks are simply neural networks that use convolution in place of general matrix multiplication in at least one of their layers.”

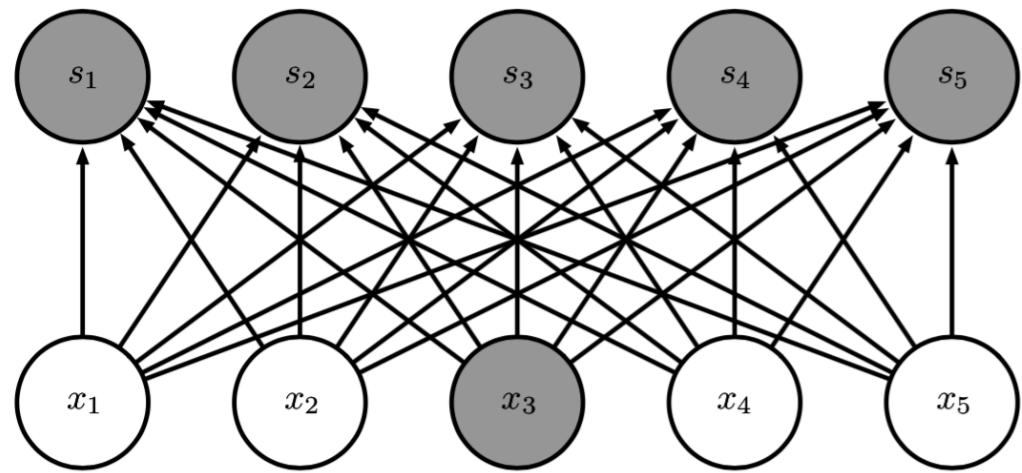
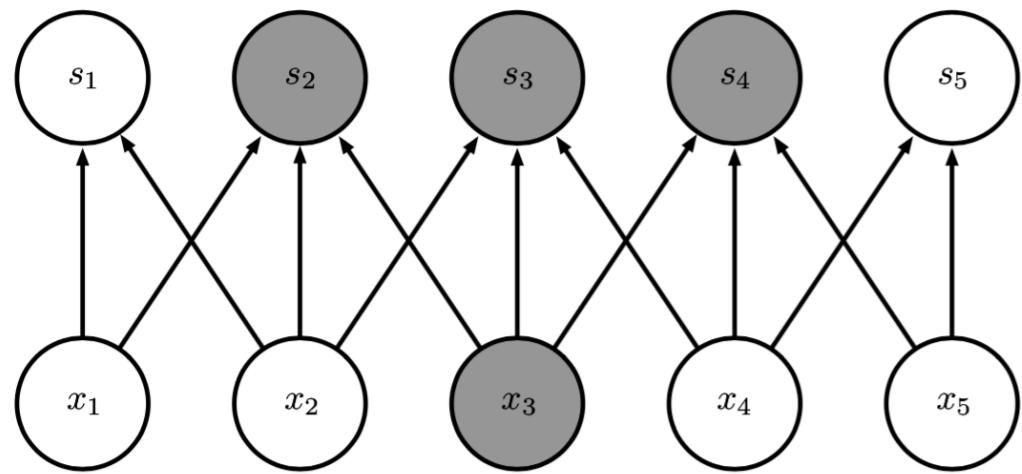
[Goodfellow, Bengio, Courville]



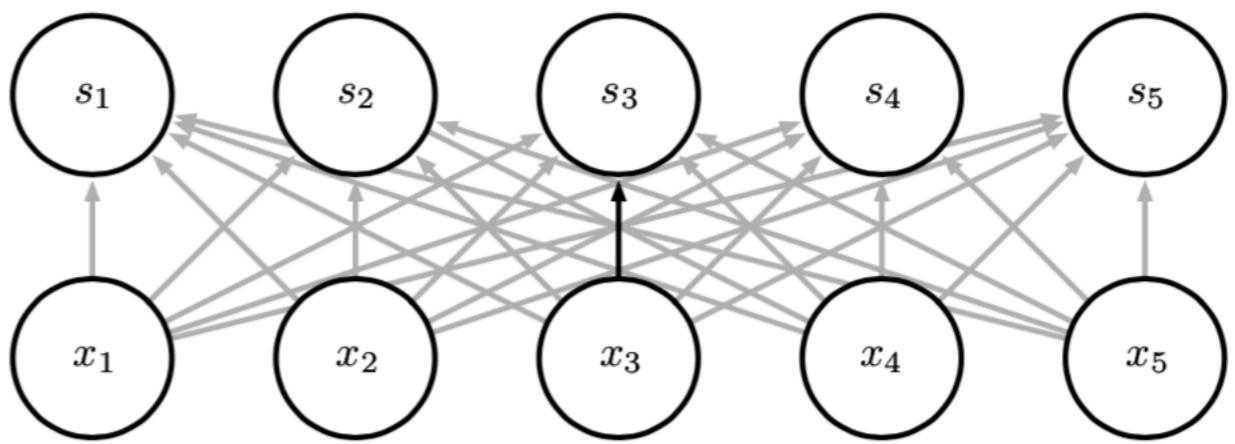
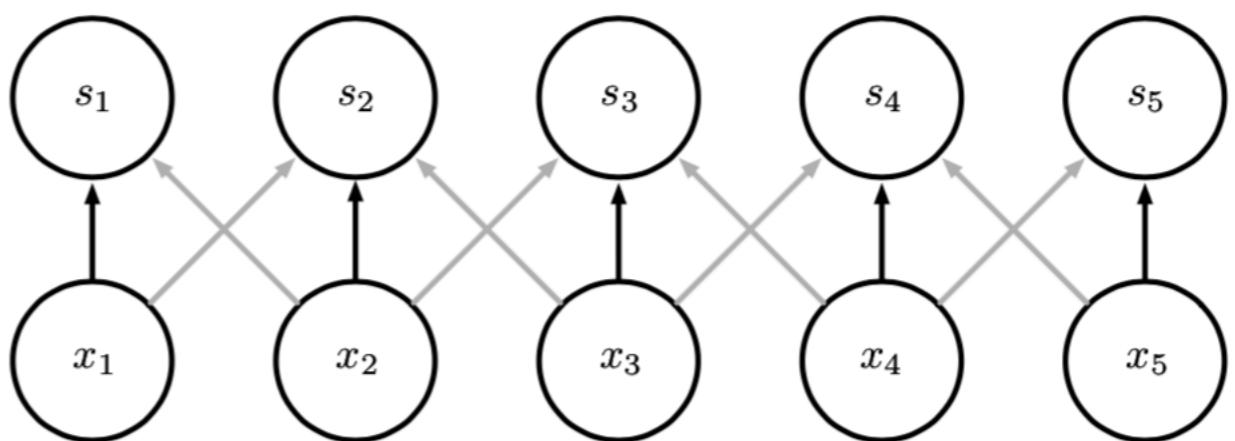
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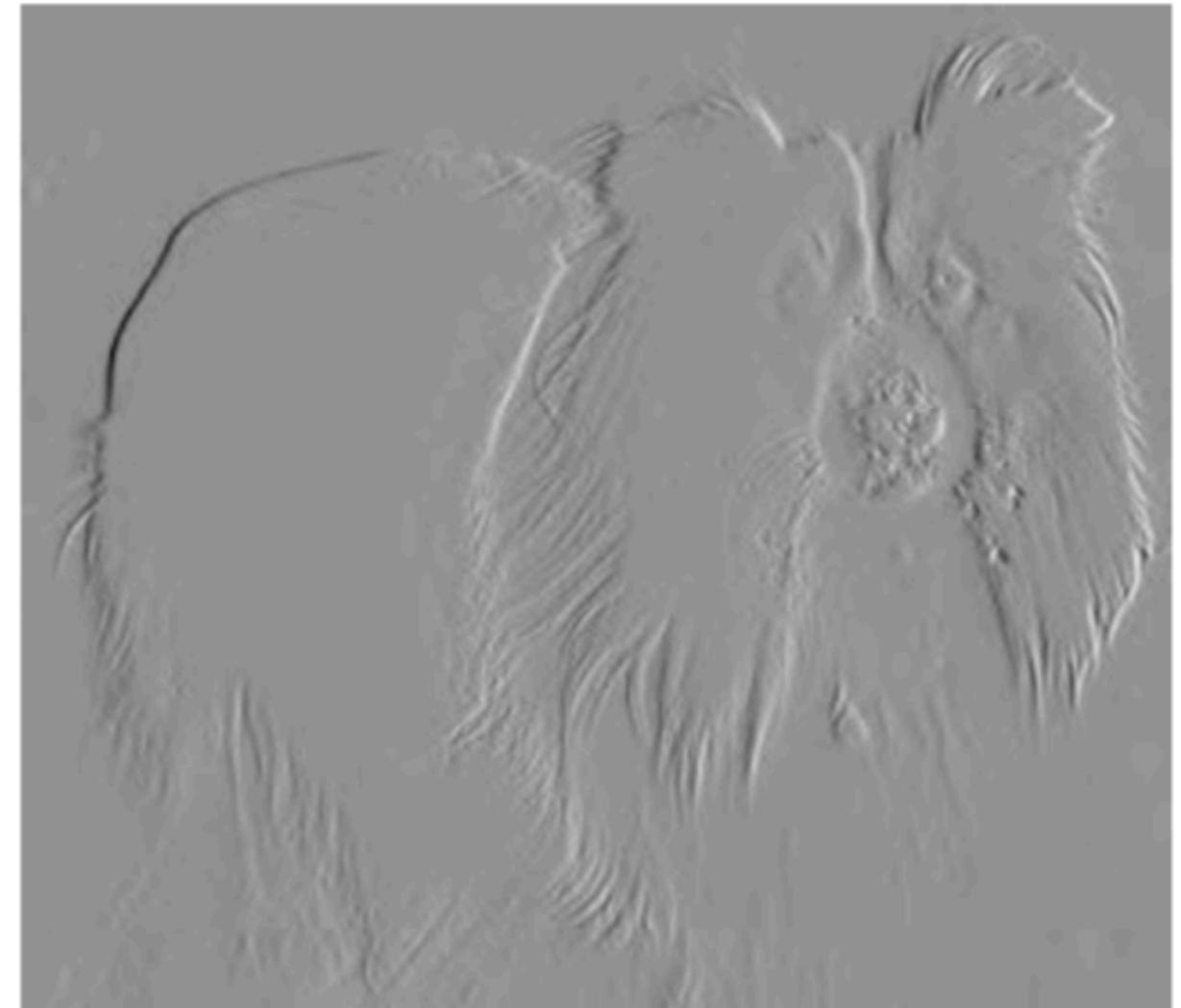
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Parameter sharing



Object detection using CNNs



Detection using only **vertically oriented edges**. Enormous efficiency improvement compared to matrix multiplication.

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Mathematical structure

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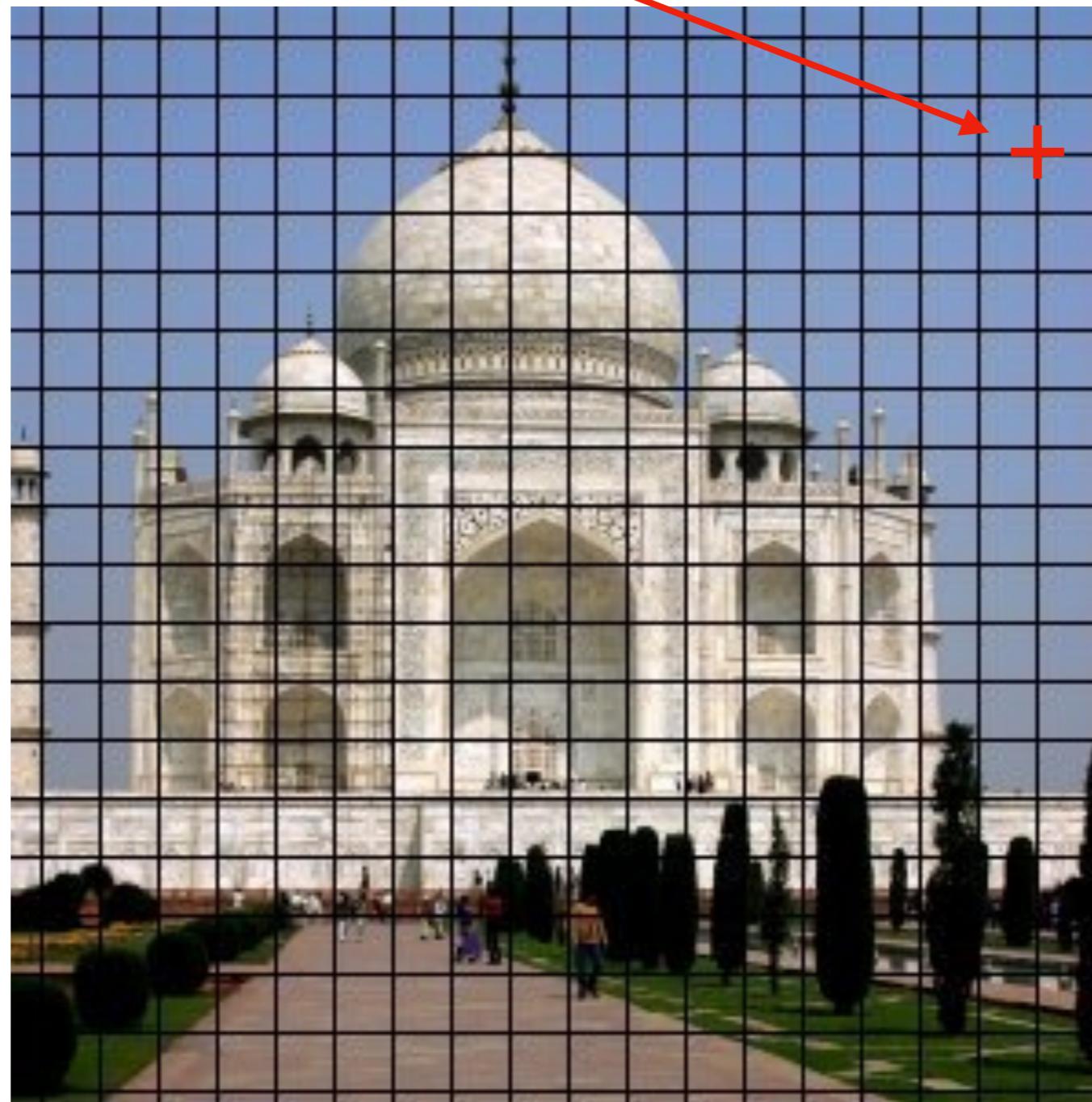
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(p, q)

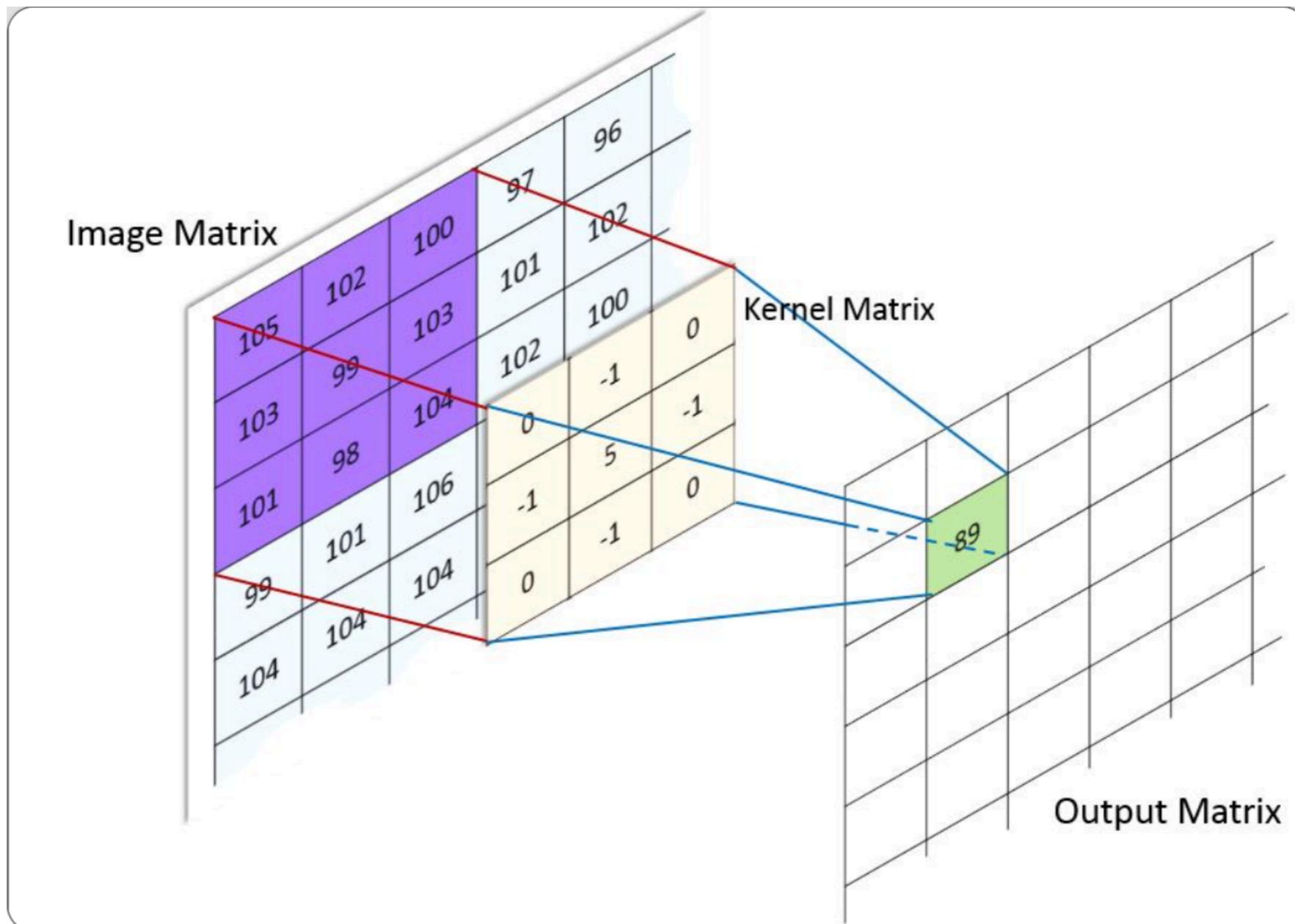
pixel coordinate

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[Figure from machinelearningguru.com]

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Note however, that convolution is **not equivariant with respect to other transformations** (e.g. rotations)

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[LeCun et al]

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[Kondor, Trivedi][Cohen, Welling]

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Now consider: $P = (G \times V)/H$

This is an **equivalence class** with respect to

$$(g, v) \sim (gh, \rho(h^{-1})v)$$

This is a vector bundle:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \longrightarrow & P \\ & & \downarrow p \\ & & G/H \end{array}$$

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[Cohen, Geiger, Weiler]

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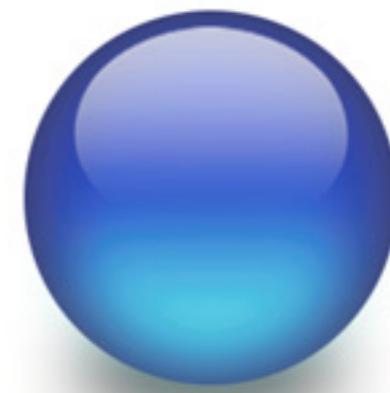
(intertwining operators)

Example: Spherical signals

$$G = SO(3)$$

$$G/H \cong S^2$$

$$H = SO(2)$$



**Feature
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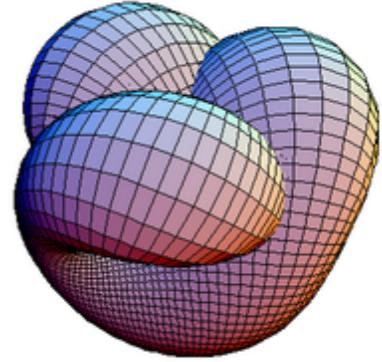
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Relevant for :

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- Cosmology & astrophysics

(see e.g. [Cohen, Weiler, Kikanaoglu, Welling])

Deep learning on manifolds & gauge theory



[Cohen, Weiler, Kicanaoglu, Welling][Cheng et al]

CNNs on arbitrary manifolds
require local equivariance

covariance w. r. t.
gauge transformations
(general coordinate transformations)

gauge equivariant
feature maps

Fields
Sections of vector bundles
(frame bundles)

“elementary feature types”
?

irreducible representations of G
elementary particles
(scalars, vectors, spinors...)

Are these the seeds of a deeper relation between neural networks and gauge theory?

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(Callan-Symanzik equation?)
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- Relation with optimal transport theory and information geometry?
- Can we implement symmetries and conservation laws?
- A spacetime perspective of Deep Neural Networks?
- Emergent phenomena?



**Exciting times ahead!
Thank you!**