

# Deep Gaussian processes

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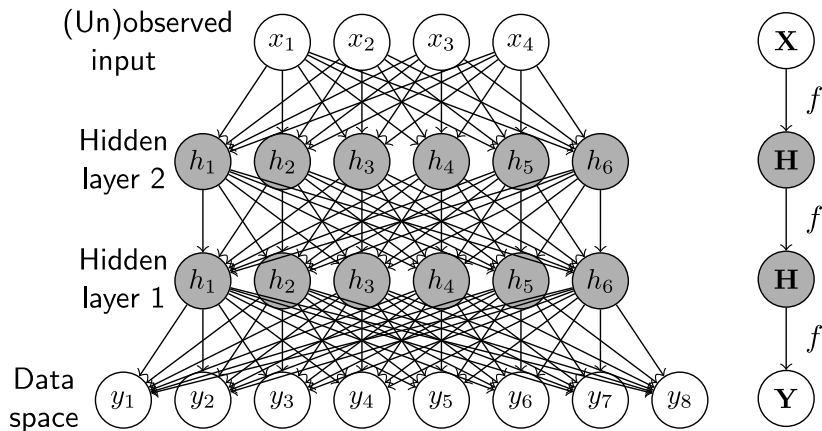
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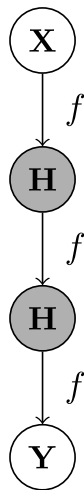
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# Deep learning (directed graph)



$$\mathbf{Y} = f(f(\cdots f(\mathbf{X}))), \quad \mathbf{H}_i = f_i(\mathbf{H}_{i-1})$$

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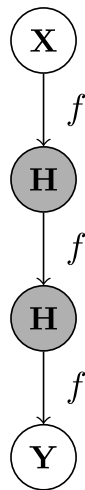
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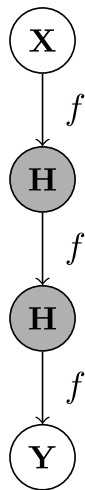
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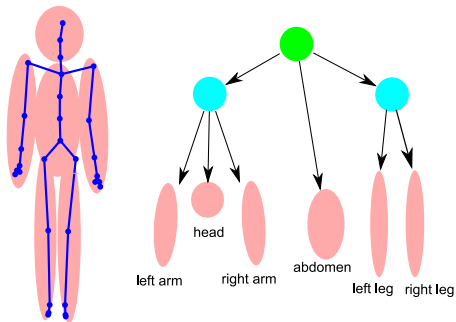
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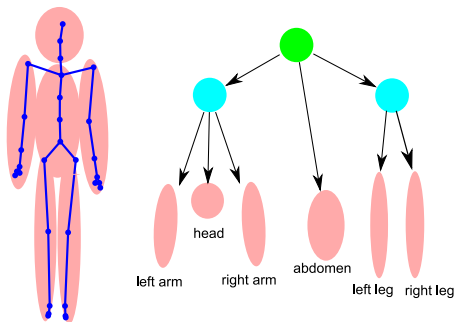


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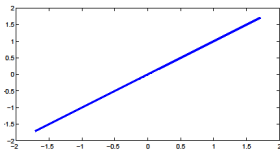
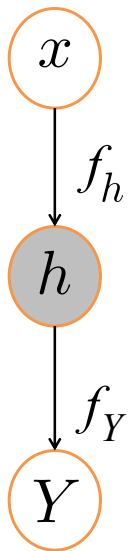
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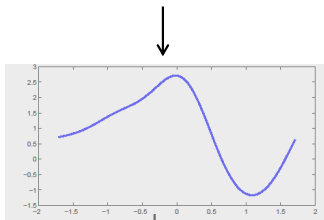
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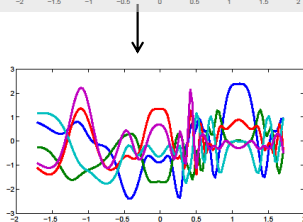
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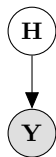
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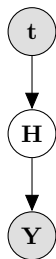
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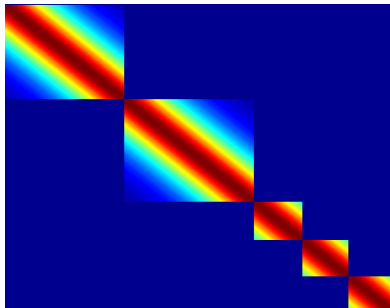
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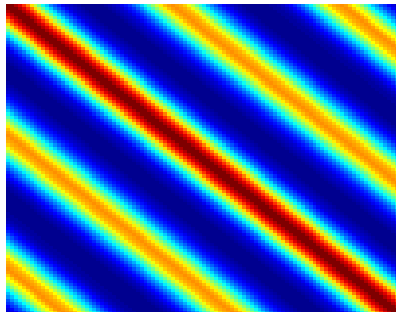
- ▶ If  $\mathbf{Y}$  form is a **multivariate time-series**, then  $\mathbf{H}$  also has to be one
- ▶ Place a **temporal GP prior** on the latent space:  
 $\mathbf{h} = h(t) = \mathcal{GP}(\mathbf{0}, k_h(t, t))$   
 $\mathbf{f} = f(h) = \mathcal{GP}(\mathbf{0}, k_f(h, h))$   
 $\mathbf{y} = f(h) + \epsilon$
- ▶ Still, we didn't introduce uncertainty for the inputs to the second GP.

# Dynamics

- Dynamics are encoded in the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{K} = k(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{t})$ .
- We can consider special forms for  $\mathbf{K}$ .



Model individual sequences



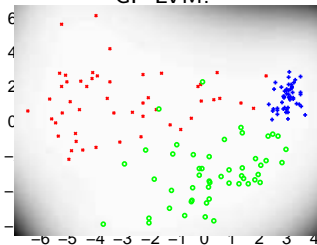
Model periodic data

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9TEoYxaBxQ> (missa)
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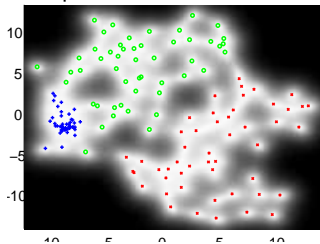
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Non-parametric auto-encoder:





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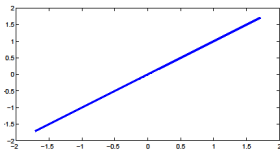
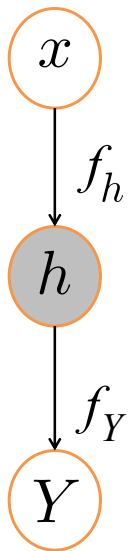
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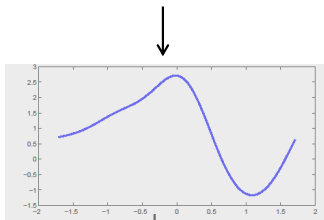
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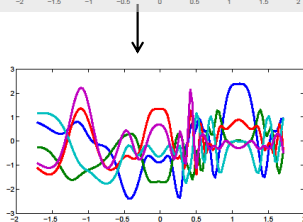
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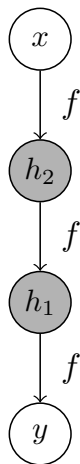


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# MAP optimisation?



- ▶ Joint =  $p(y|h_1)p(h_1|h_2)p(h_2|x)$
- ▶ MAP optimization is extremely problematic because:
  - Dimensionality of  $h$ s has to be decided a priori
  - Prone to overfitting, if  $h$  are treated as parameters
  - Deep structures are not supported by the model's objective but have to be forced [Lawrence & Moore '07]

# Regularization solution: approximate Bayesian framework

- ▶ Analytic variational bound  $\mathcal{F} \leq p(y|x)$ 
  - Extend the Variational Free Energy sparse GPs (Titsias 09) / Variational Compression tricks.
  - *Approximately* marginalise out  $h$
- ▶ Automatic structure discovery (nodes, connections, layers)
  - Use the Automatic / Manifold Relevance Determination trick
- ▶ ...

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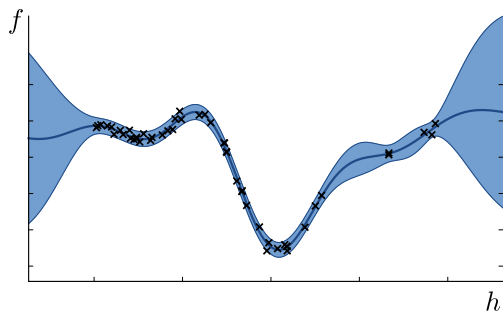
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*The above trick is applied to all layers simultaneously.*

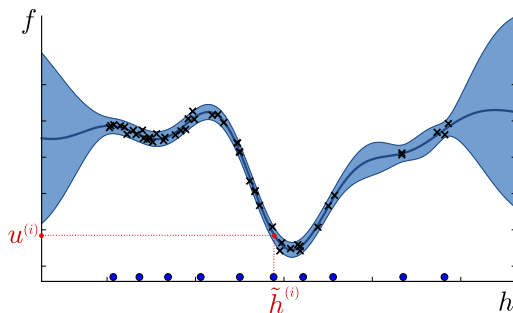
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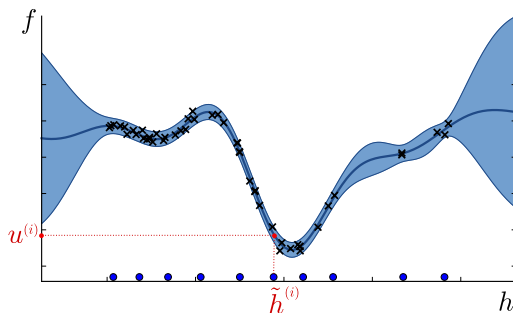
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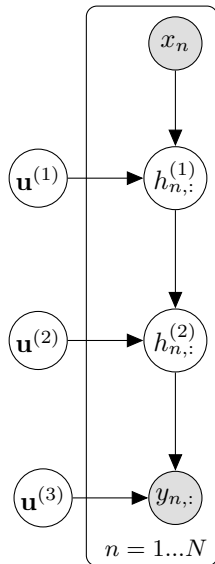
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- ▶ Inducing points originally introduced for faster **(sparse) GPs**
- ▶ But this also induces **tractability** in our models, due to the conditional independencies assumed
- ▶ Viewing them as **global variables**  
⇒ extension to **Big Data** [Hensman et al., UAI 2013]



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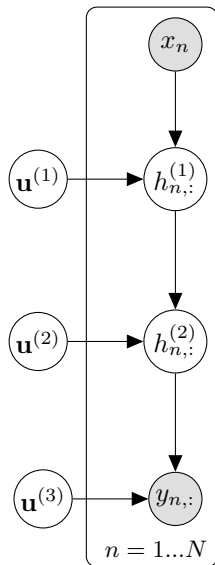
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- Fully factorised.

# SVI for factorised deep GPs

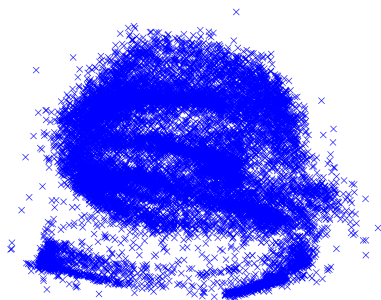


- ▶ We can additionally marginalise out  $\mathbf{h}$  and maintain factorisation.
- ▶ We can consider SVI.
- ▶ Unlike  $\theta_u$  and  $\theta$ ,  $\mathbf{h}$  are *not* global variables.
- ▶ So, estimate  $\mathbf{h}^{(batch)}$  given the current  $\theta_t$
- ▶ Adjusting the step-length for SVI is tricky.

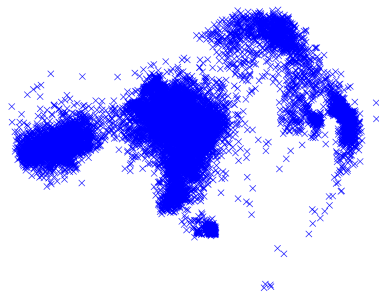
# SVI - 18K mocap examples



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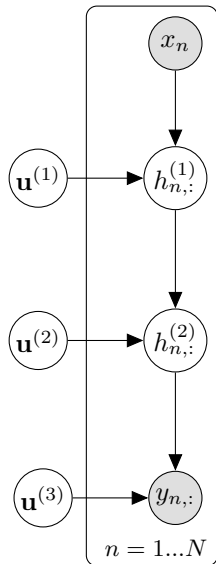


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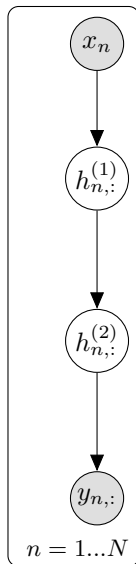


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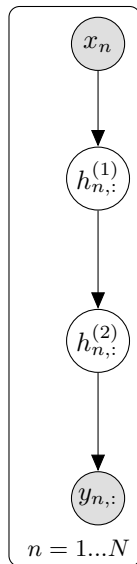
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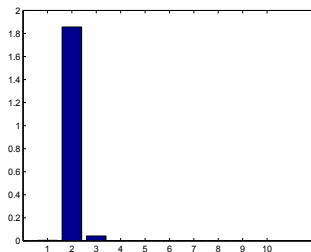
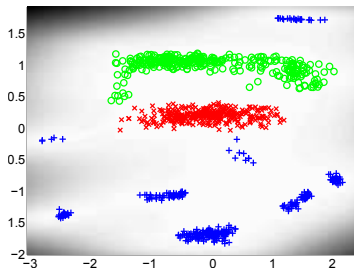
- ▶ Integrating  $\mathbf{u}$  introduces coupling.
- ▶ But we can still distribute the computations efficiently (work by Z. Dai).
- ▶ An alternative approach is to collapse the effect of  $q(\mathbf{h})$  (next talk by J. Hensman).

# Automatic dimensionality detection

- ▶ Achieved by employing *automatic relevance determination* (ARD) priors for the mapping  $f$ .
- ▶  $f \sim \mathcal{GP}(\mathbf{0}, k_f)$  with:

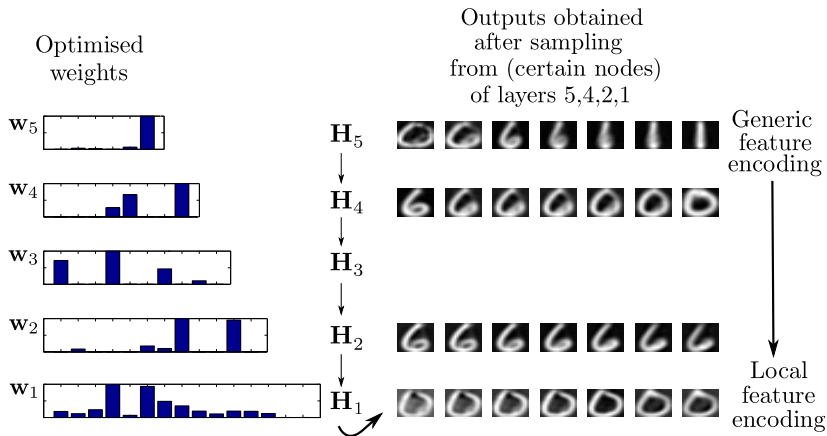
$$k_f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \sigma^2 \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{q=1}^Q w_q (x_{i,q} - x_{j,q})^2 \right)$$

- ▶ Example:



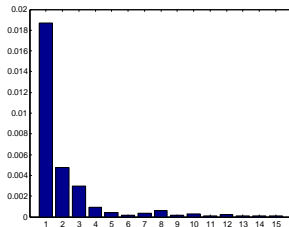


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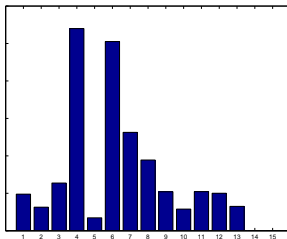


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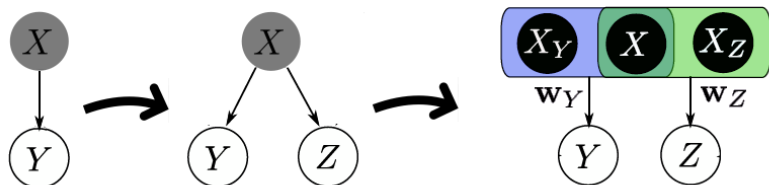
1 layer GP-LVM:



5 layer deep GP (showing 1st layer):

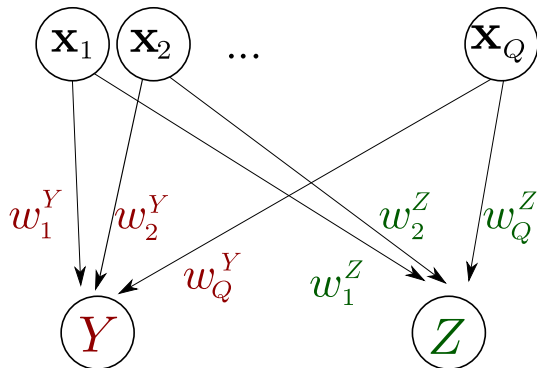


# Manifold Relevance Determination

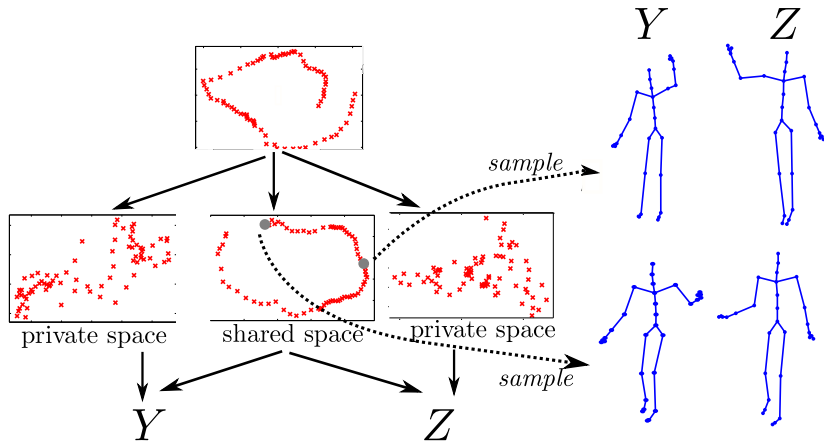


- ▶ Observations come into two different *views*:  $Y$  and  $Z$ .
- ▶ The latent space is segmented into parts private to  $Y$ , private to  $Z$  and shared between  $Y$  and  $Z$ .
- ▶ Used for data consolidation and discovering commonalities.

## MRD weights



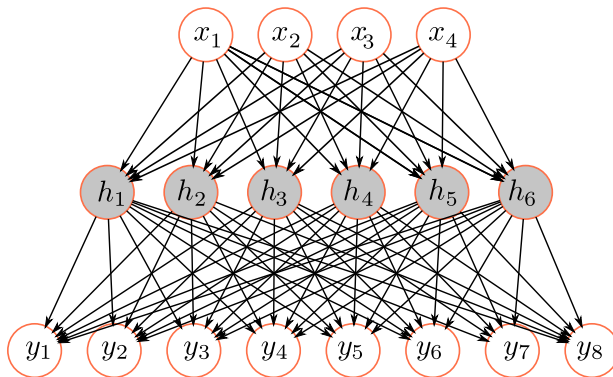
## Deep GPs: Another multi-view example



# Automatic structure discovery

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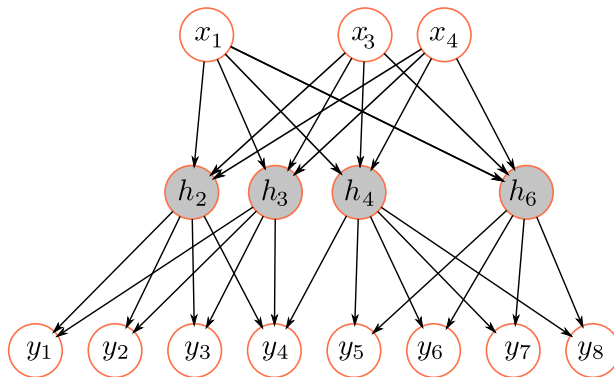
- ▶ ARD: Eliminate unnecessary nodes/connections
- ▶ MRD: Conditional independencies
- ▶ Approximating evidence: Number of layers (?)



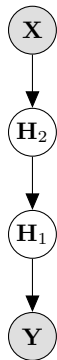
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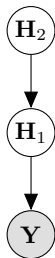
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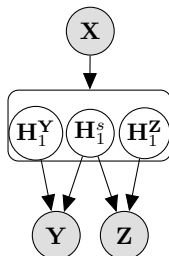
# Deep GP variants



Deep GP -  
Supervised



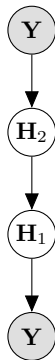
Deep GP -  
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Multi-view



Temporal



Autoencoder



# Summary

- ▶ A deep GP is not a GP.
- ▶ Sampling is straight-forward. Regularization and training needs to be worked out.
- ▶ The solution is a special treatment of auxiliary variables.
- ▶ Many variants: multi-view, temporal, autoencoders ...
- ▶ Future: make it scalable with distributed computations.
- ▶ Future: how does it compare to / complement more traditional deep models?

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