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MODULE 4:

Geometric Deep Learning

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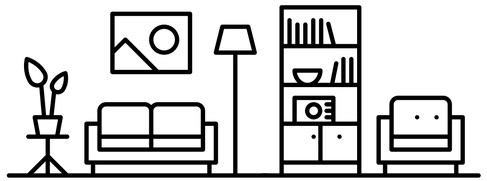

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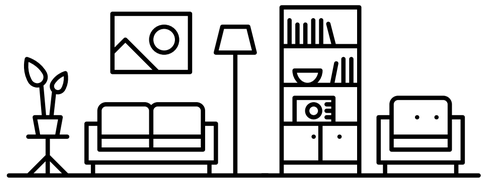

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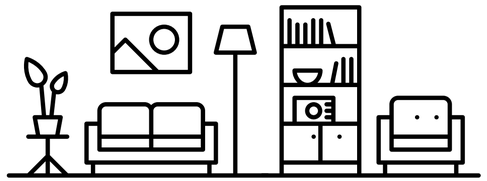

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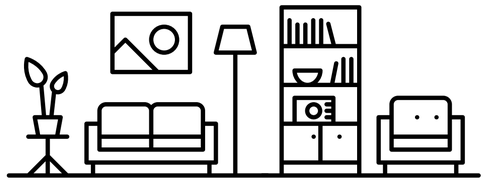

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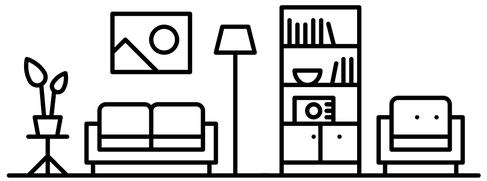

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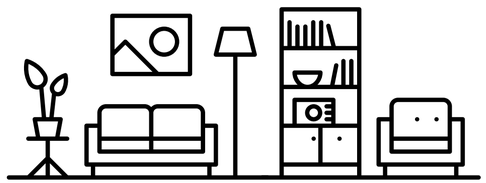

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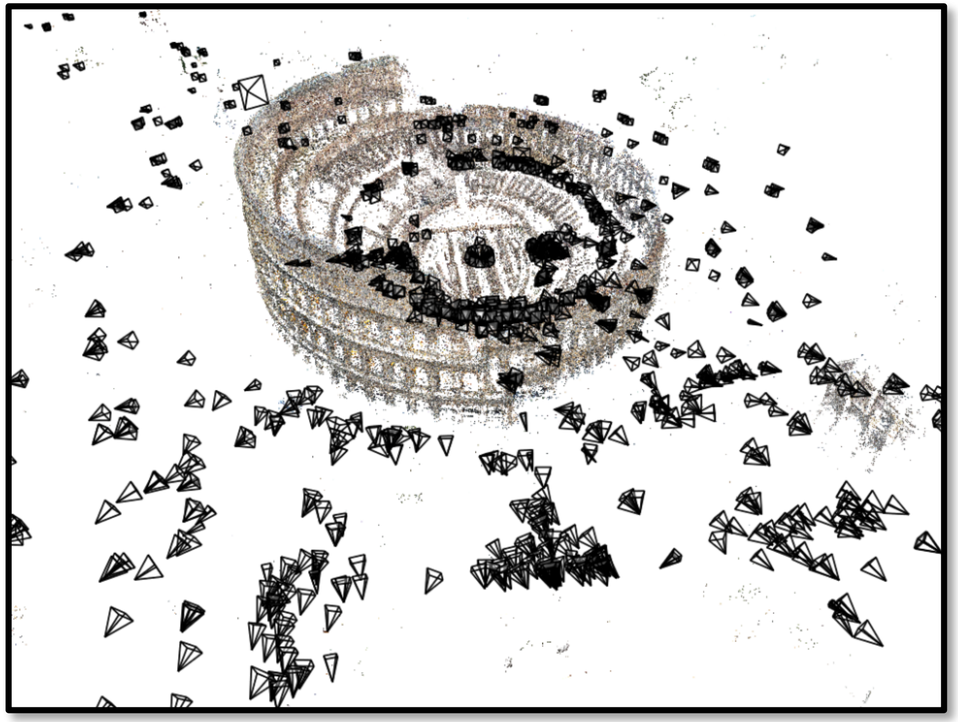

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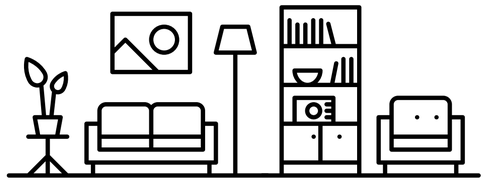

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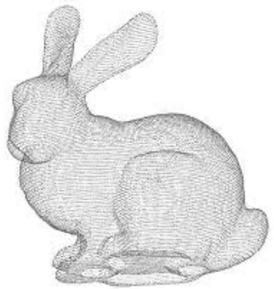

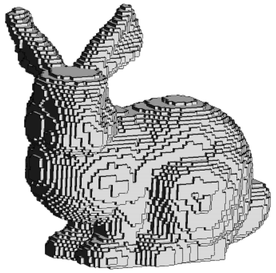

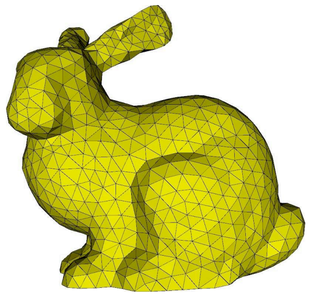

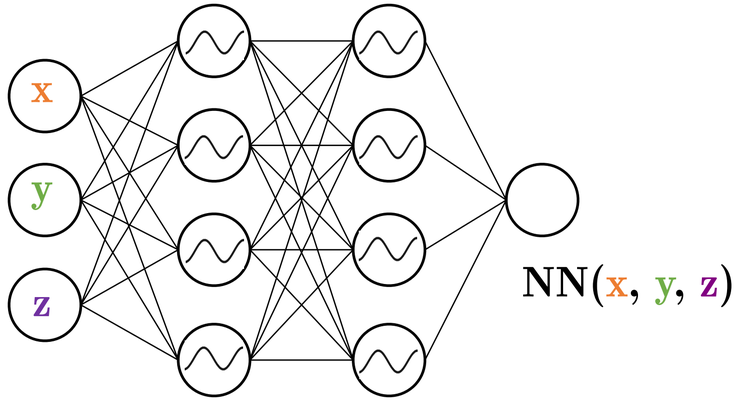

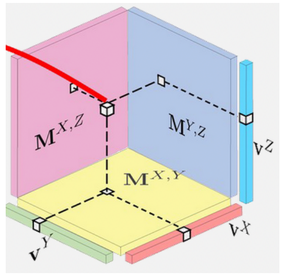

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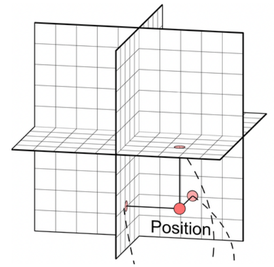

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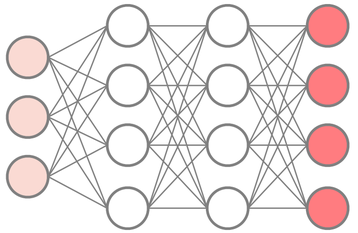

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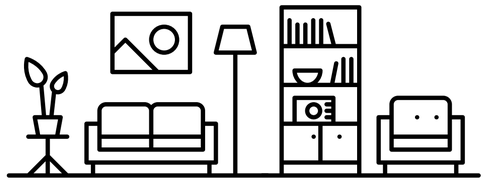

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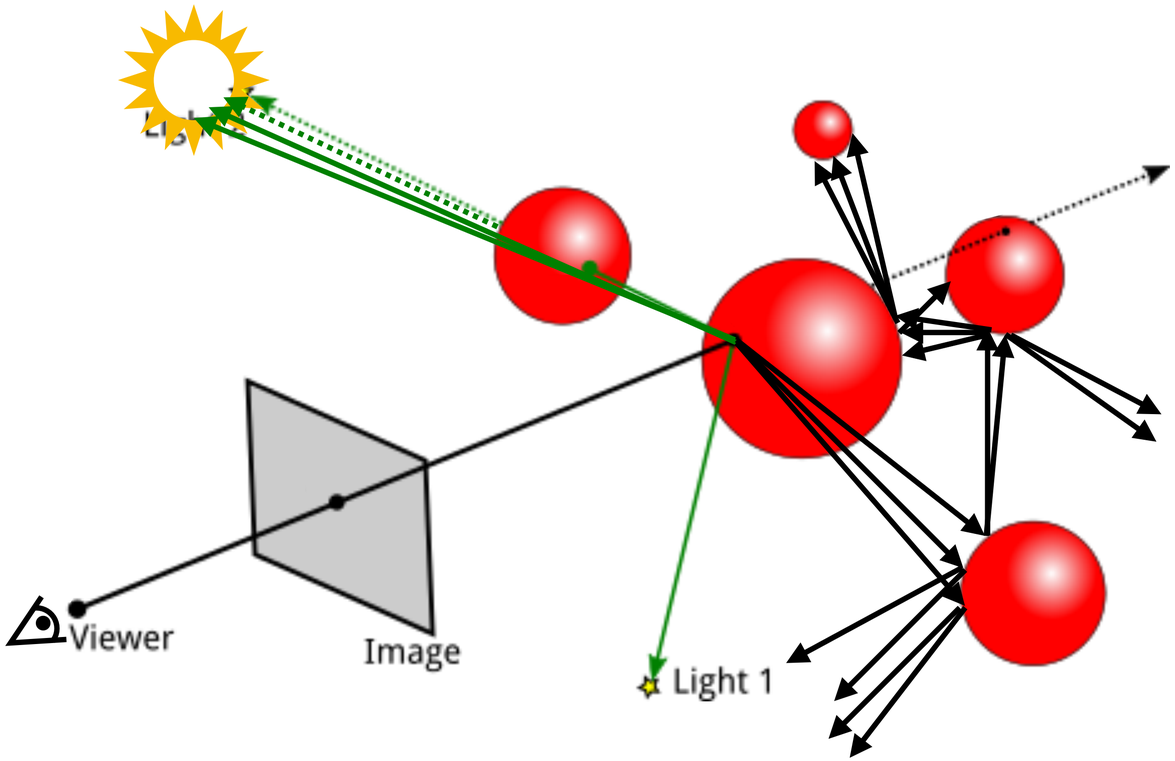

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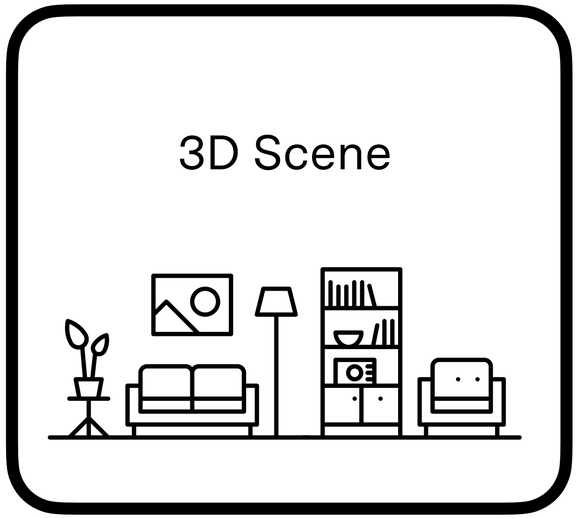

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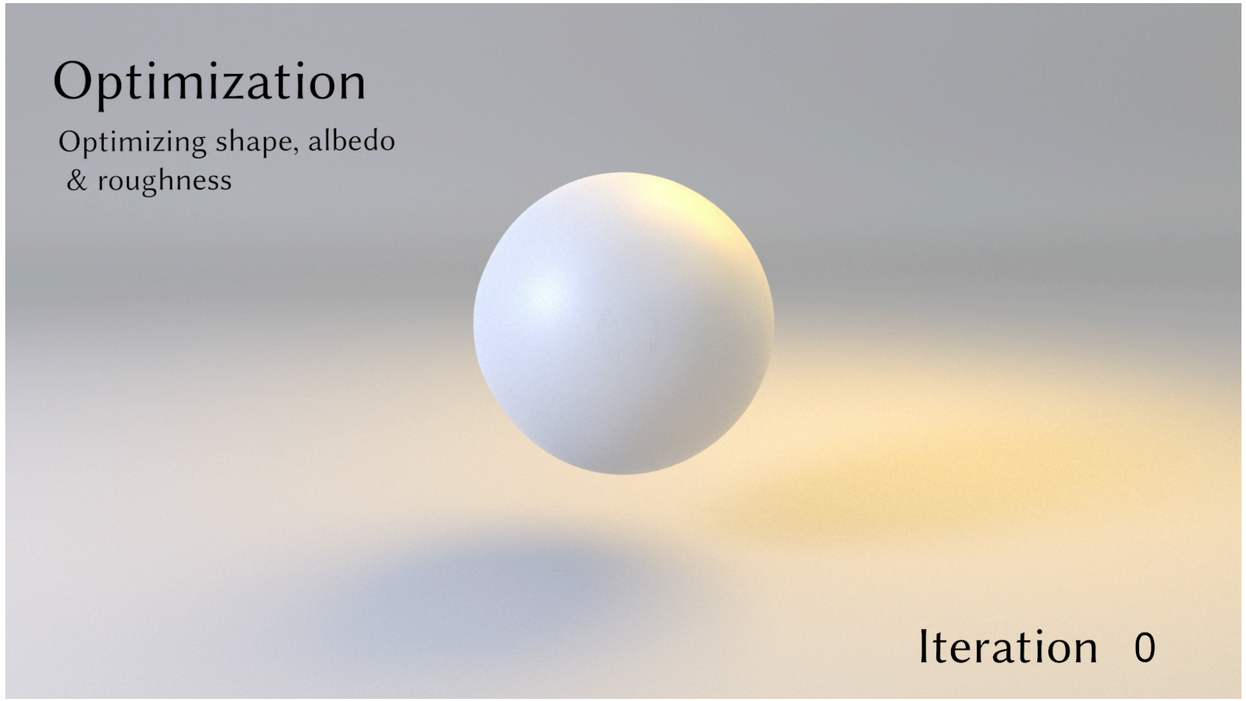

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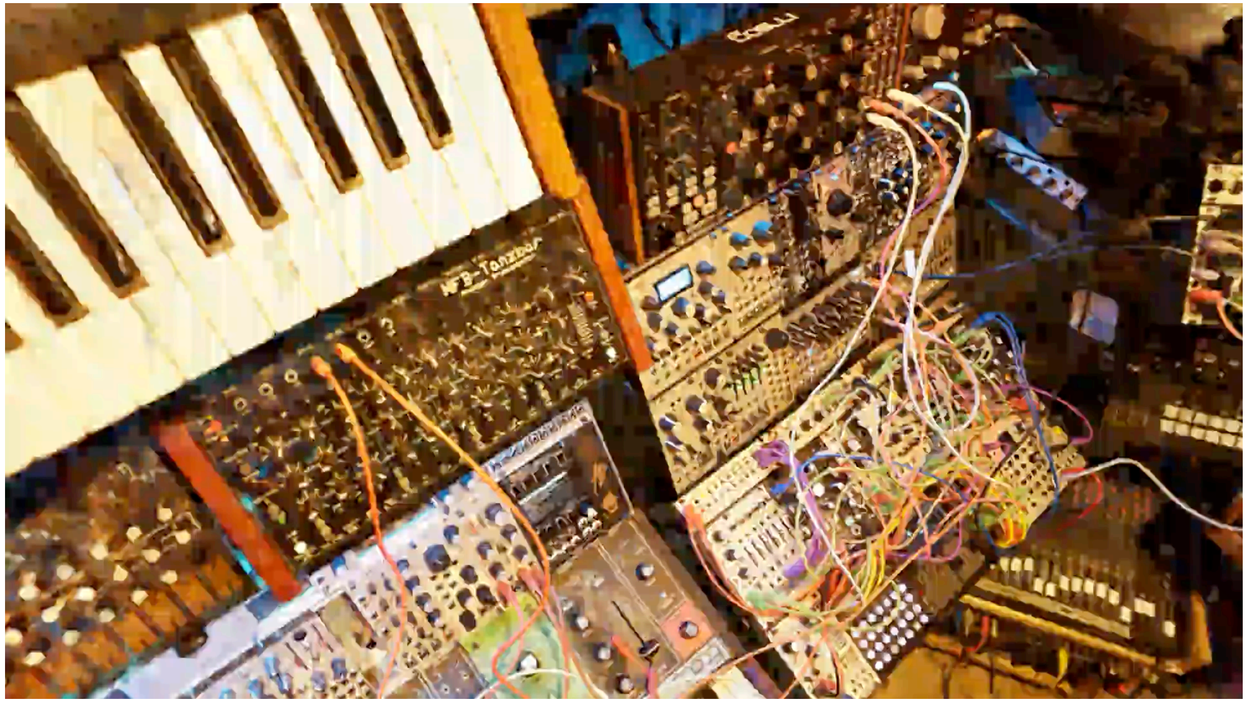

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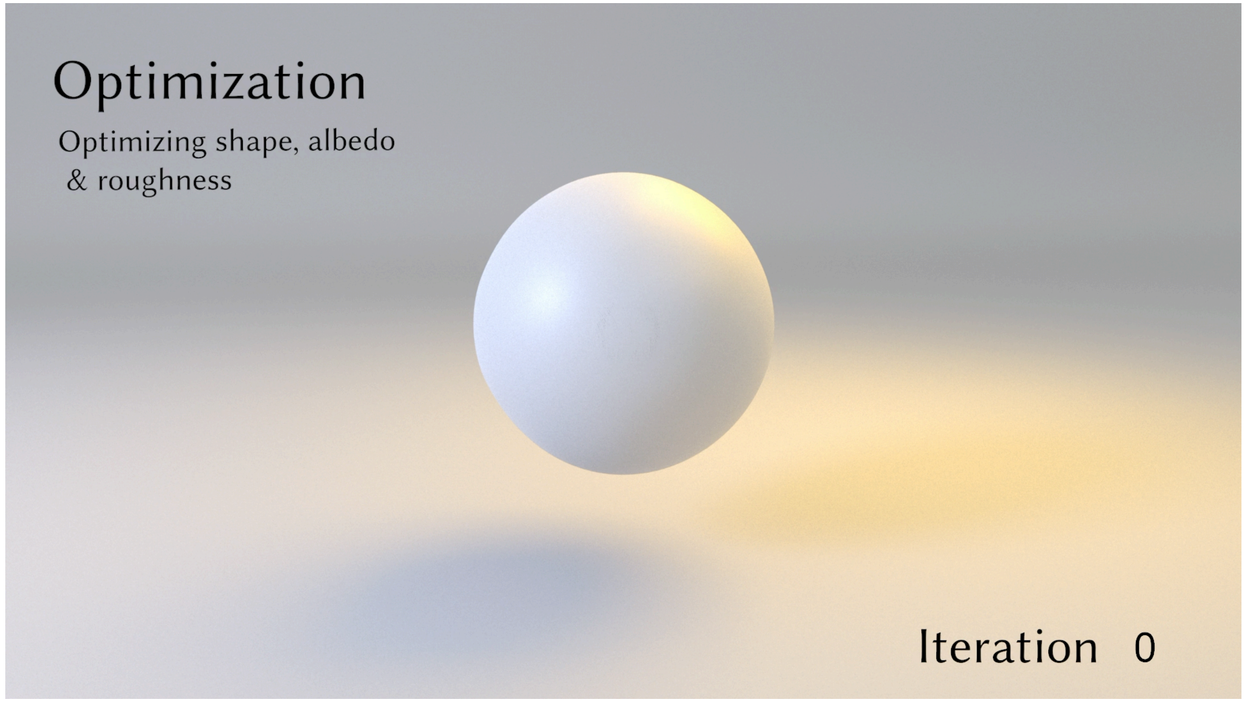

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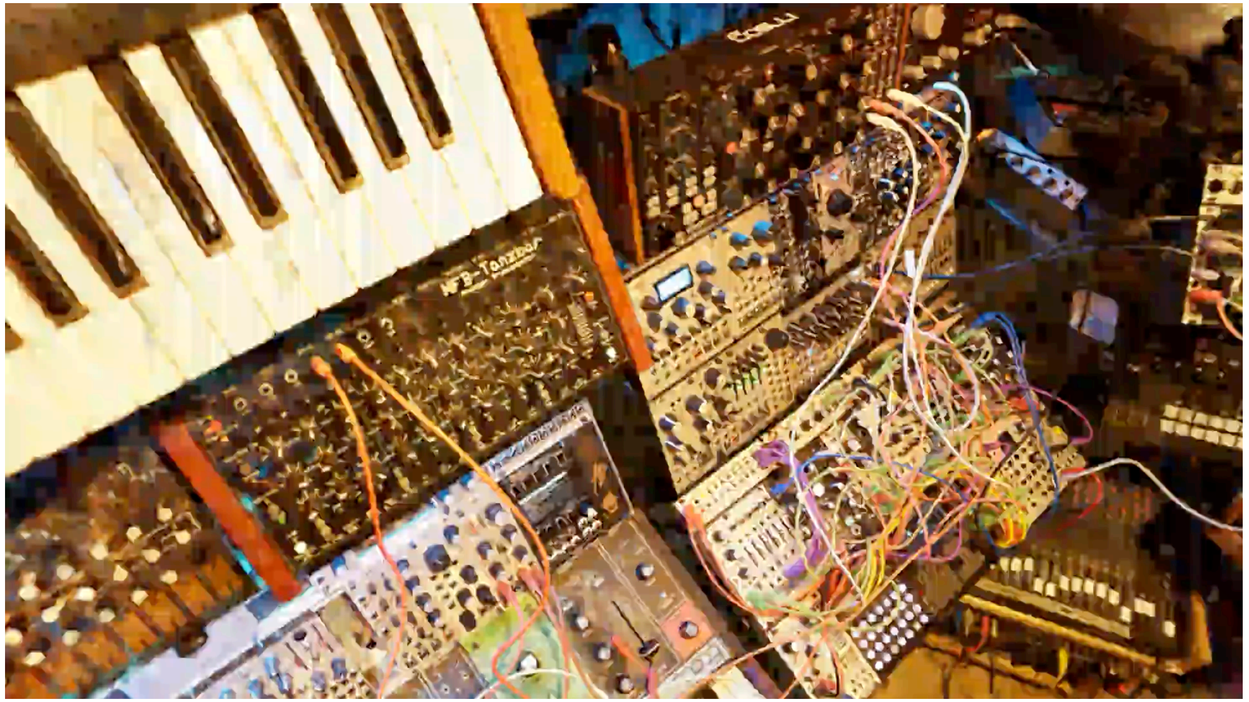

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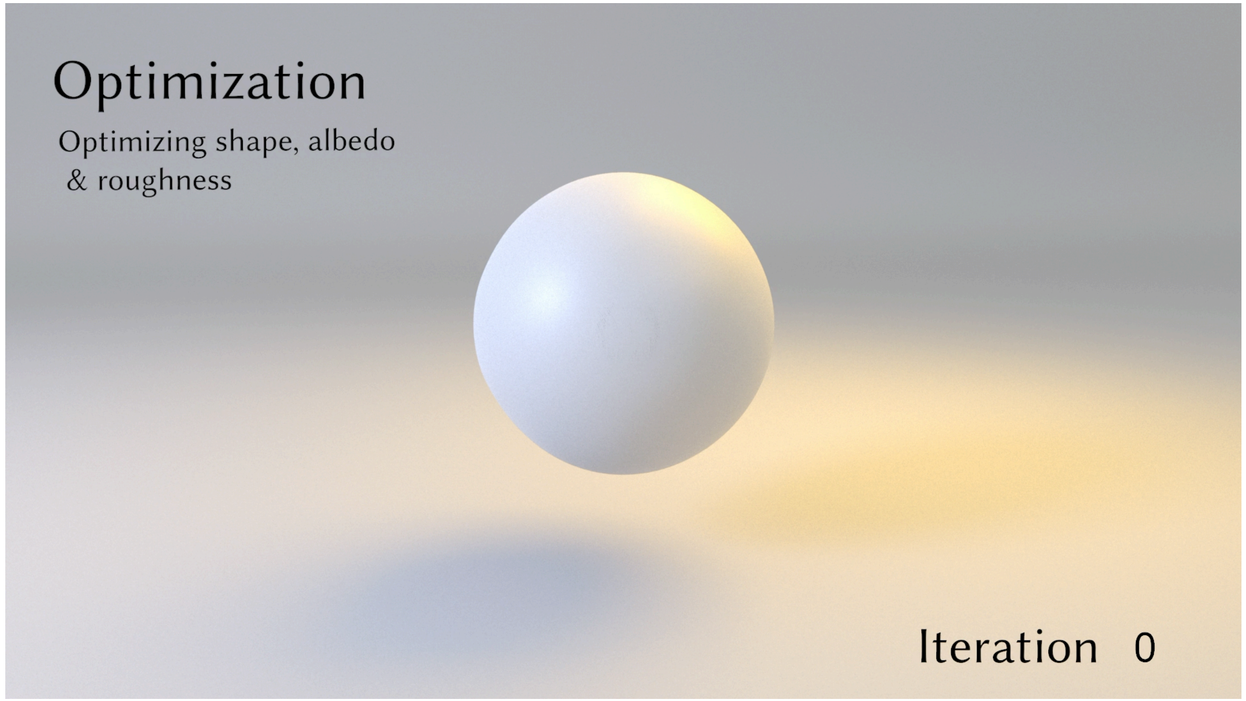

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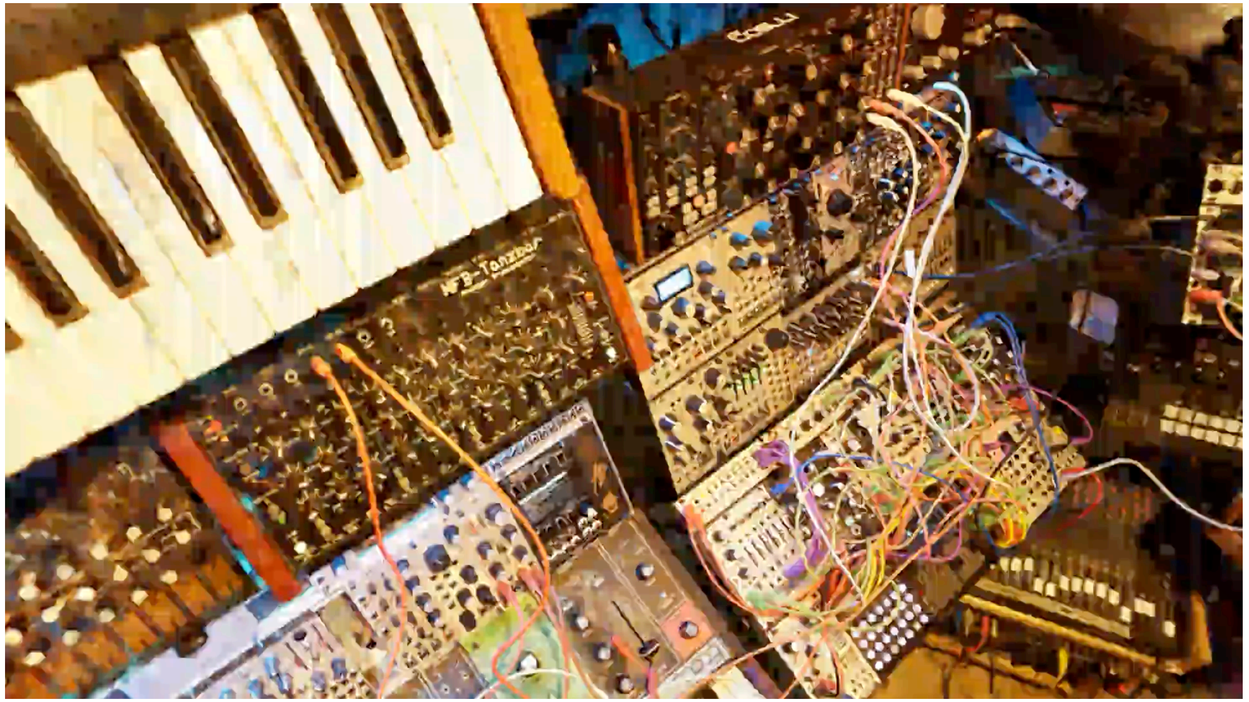

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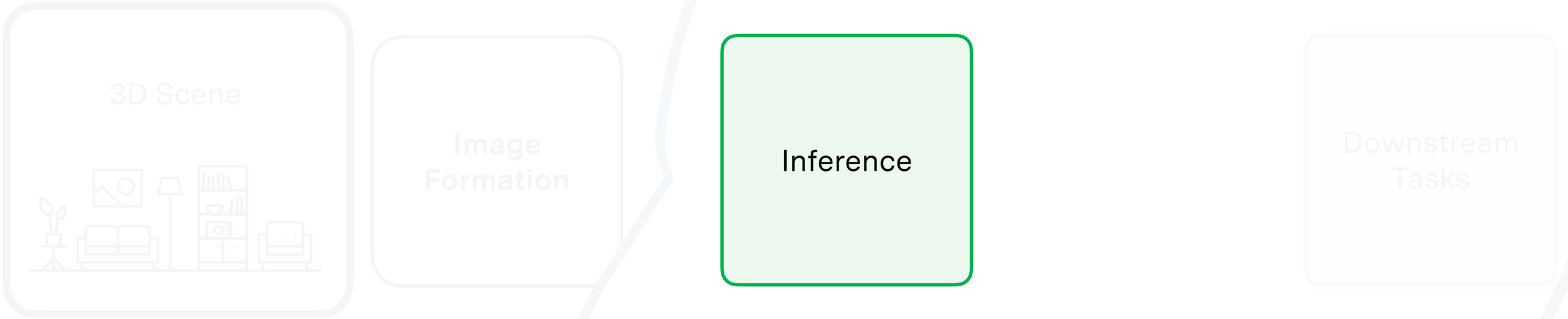

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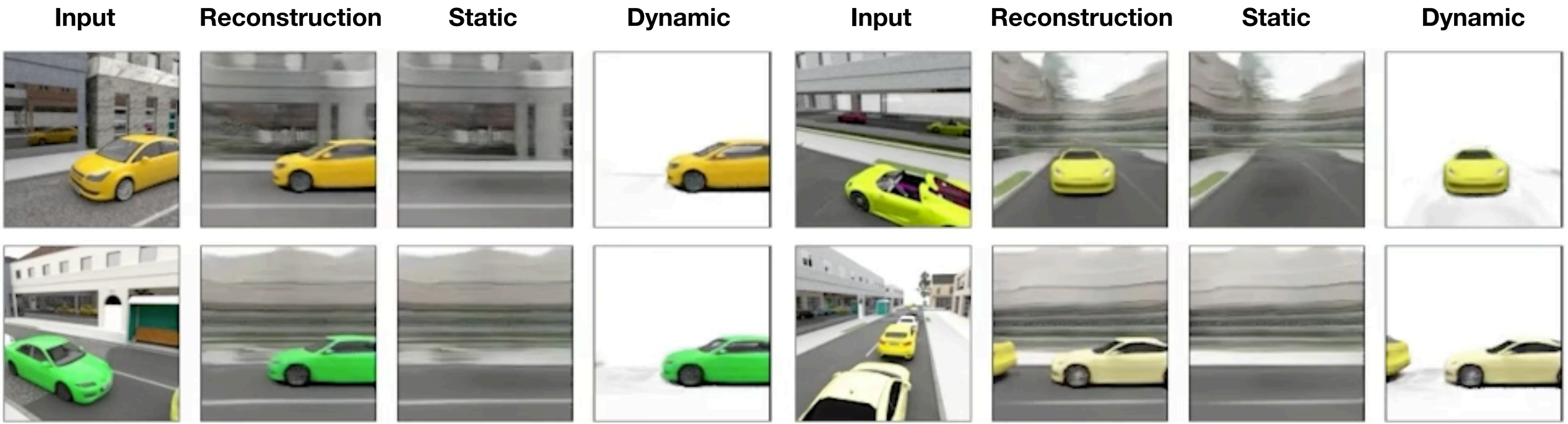

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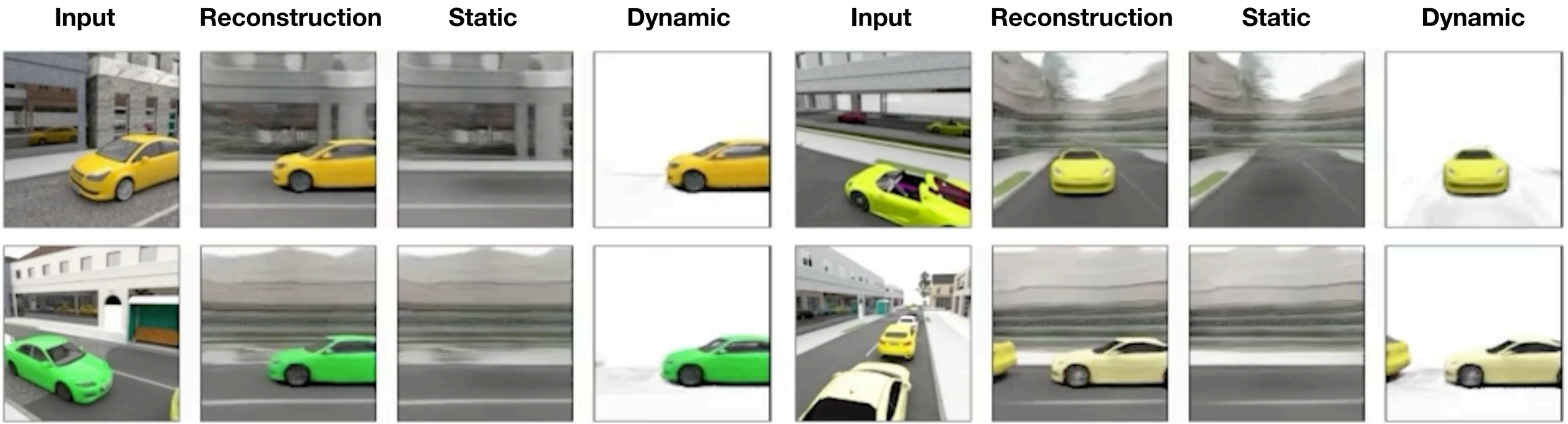

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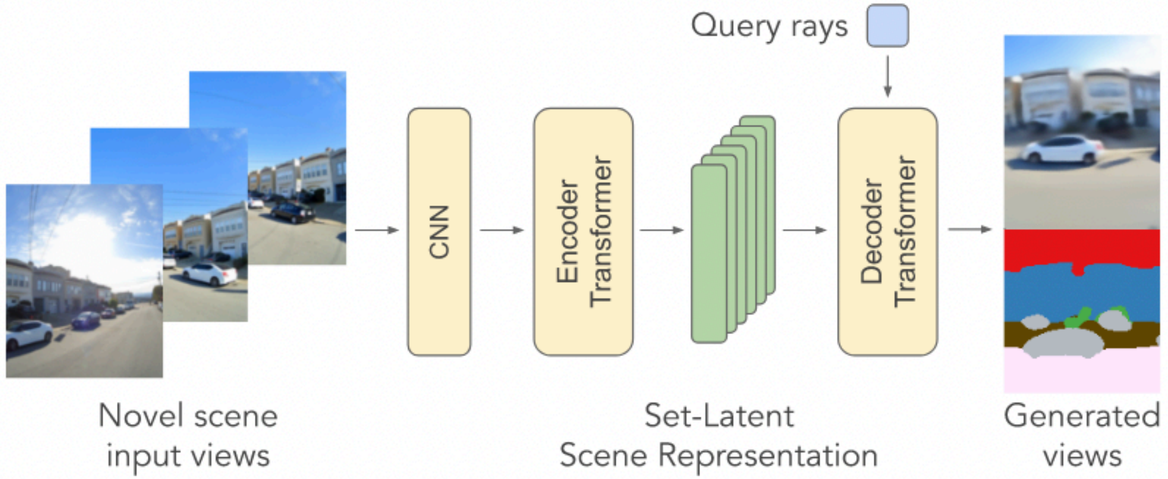

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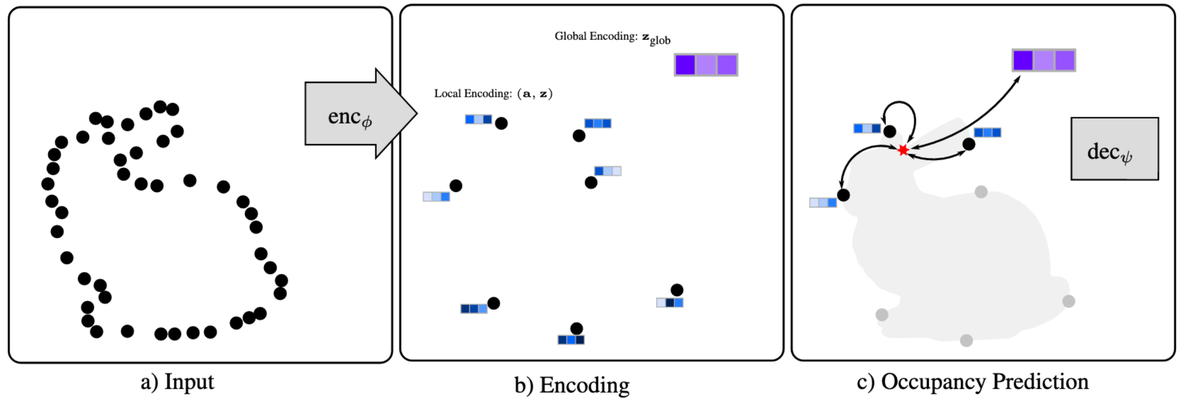

AIR-Nets, Giebenhain et al. 2021

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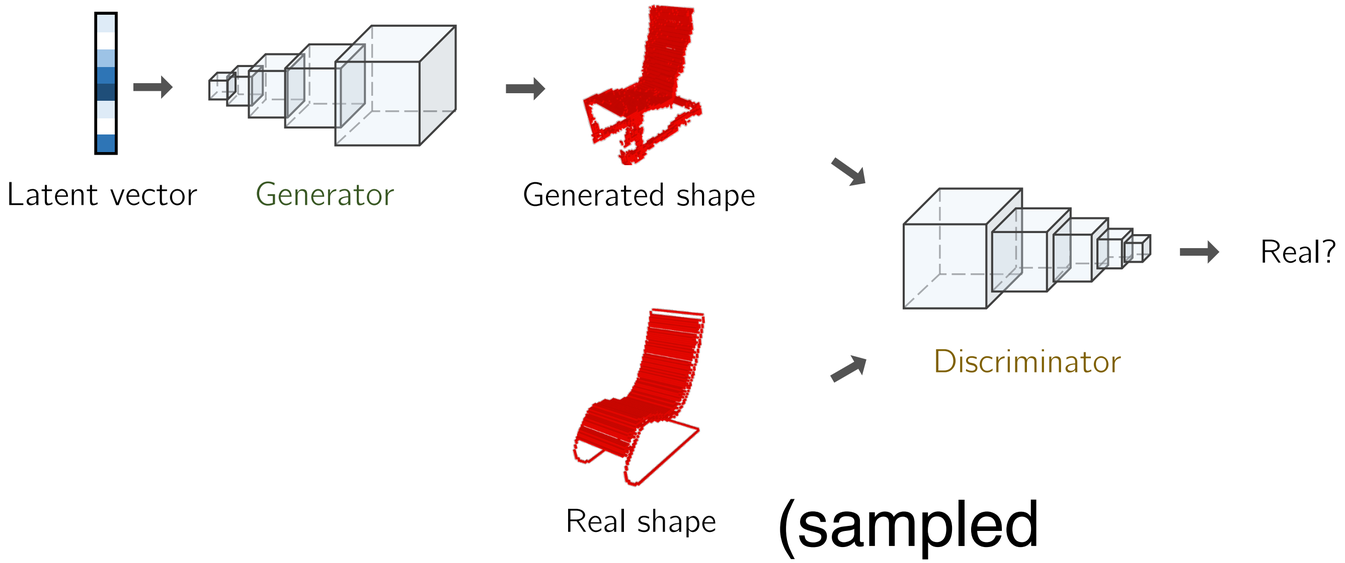

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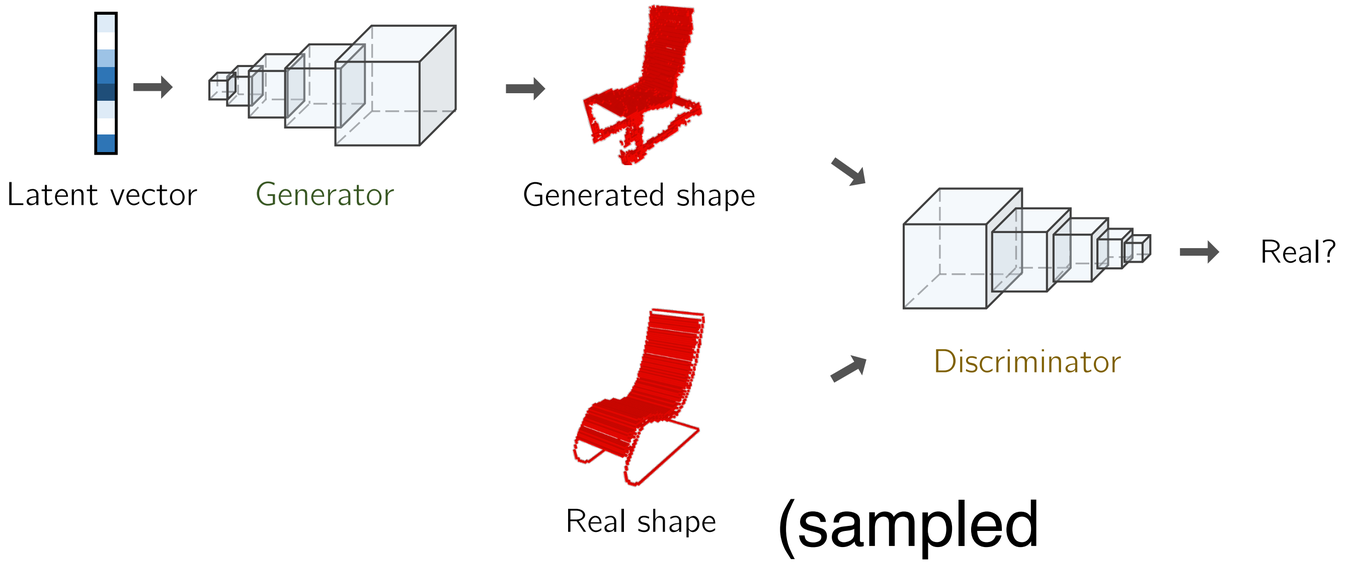

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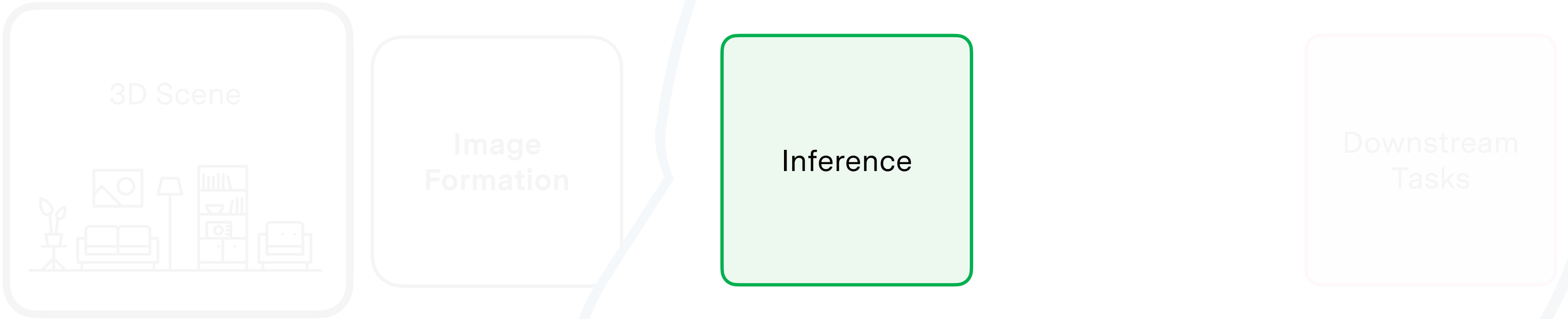

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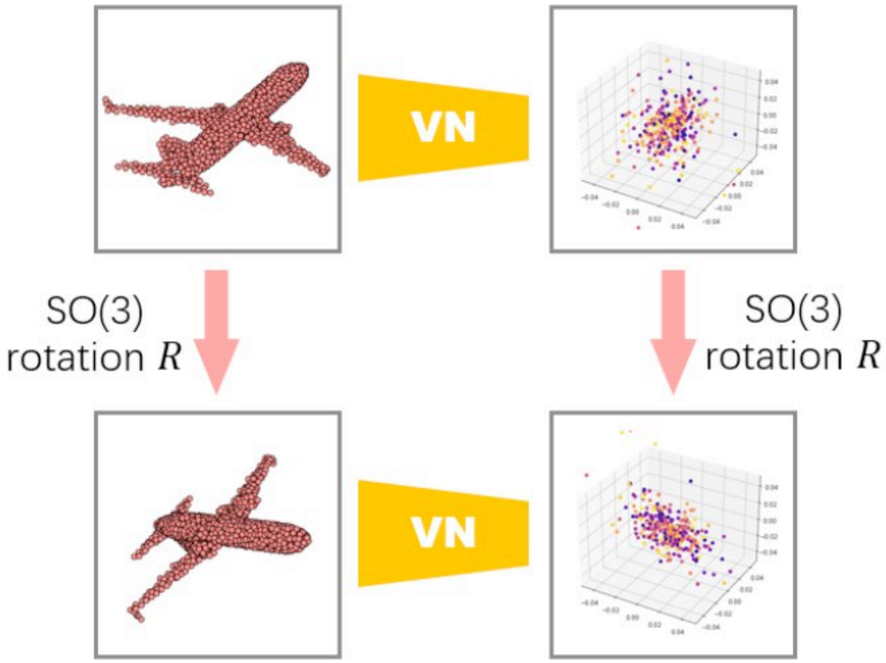
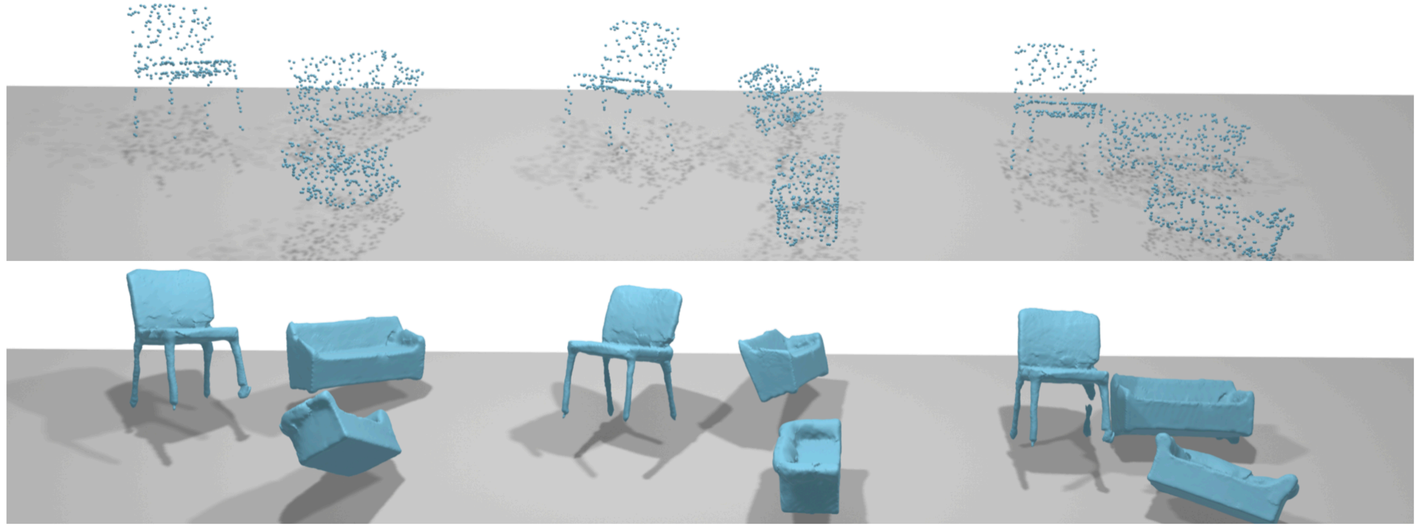


Vector Neurons, Deng et al. 2021



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Representation Theory & **SYMMETRIES**

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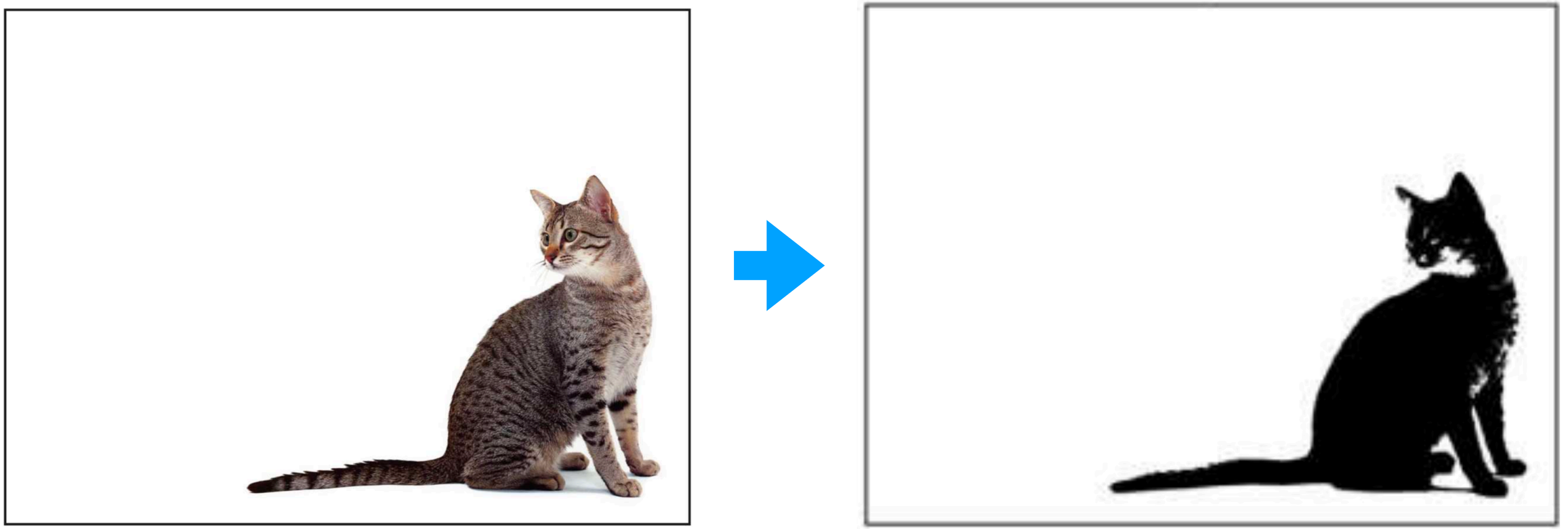

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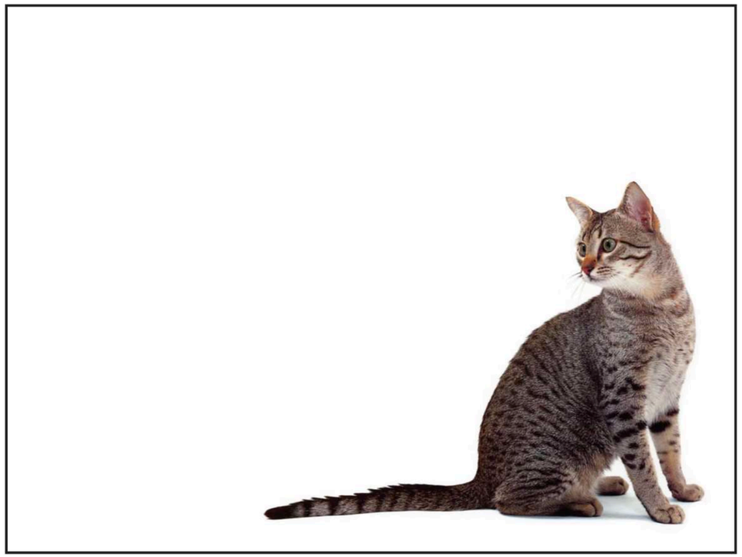

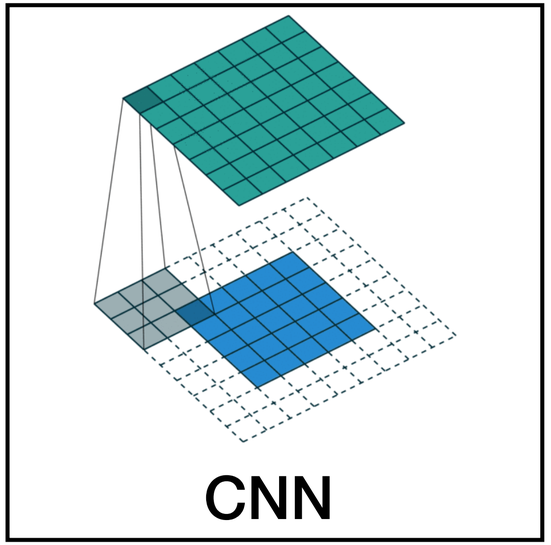

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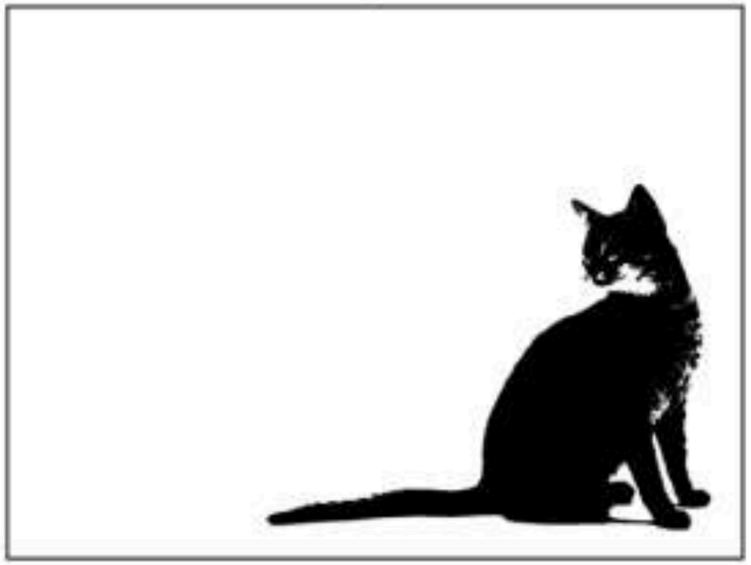

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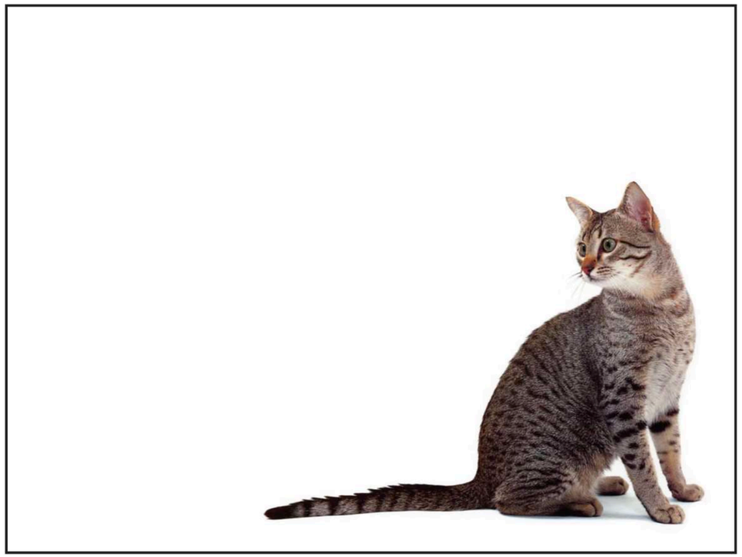

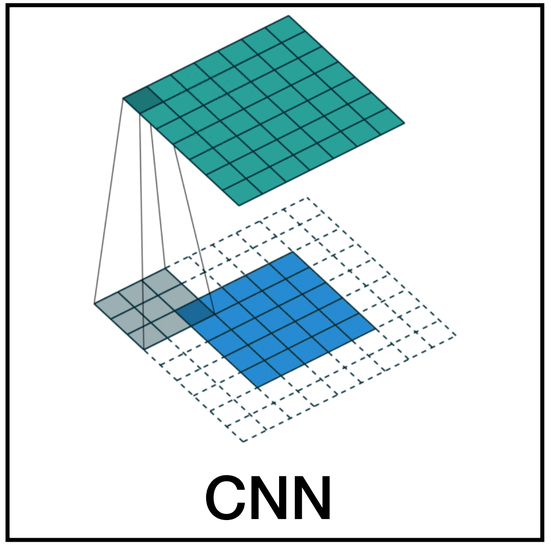

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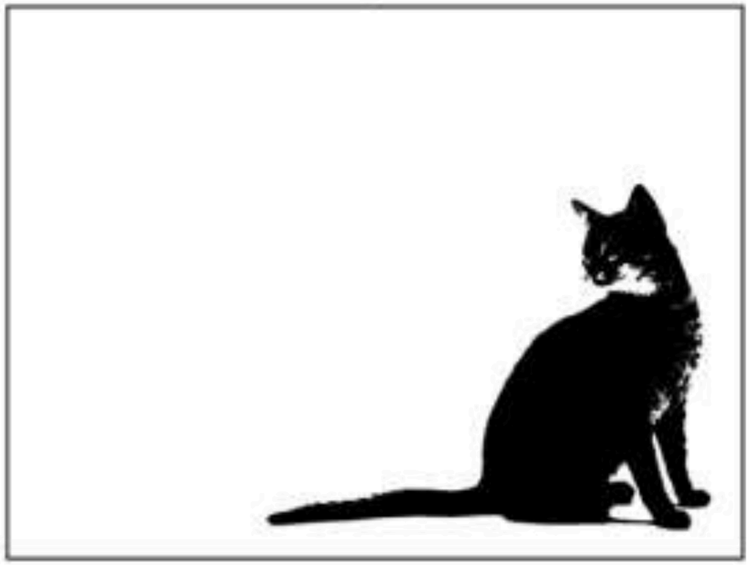

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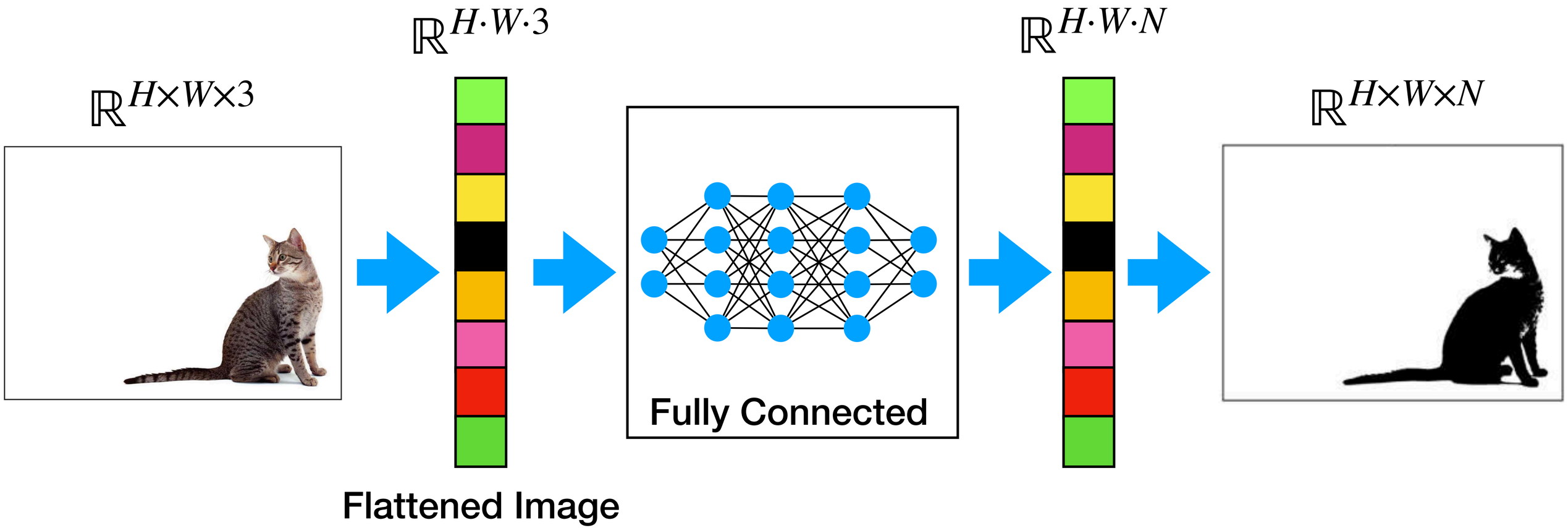

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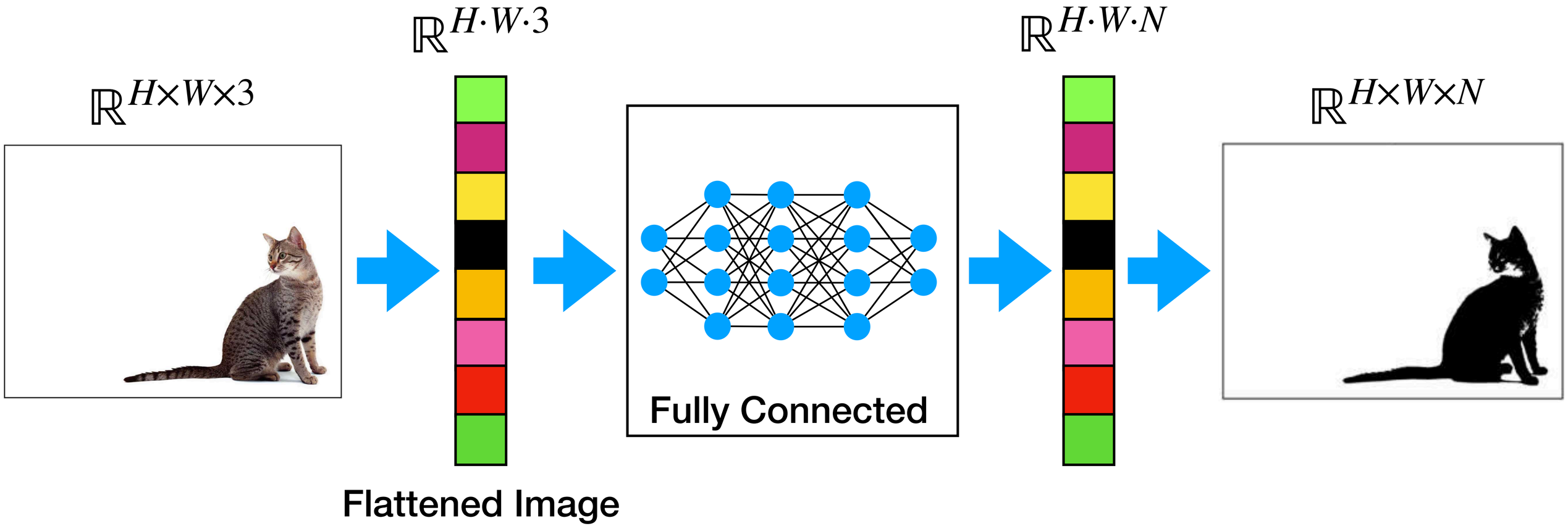

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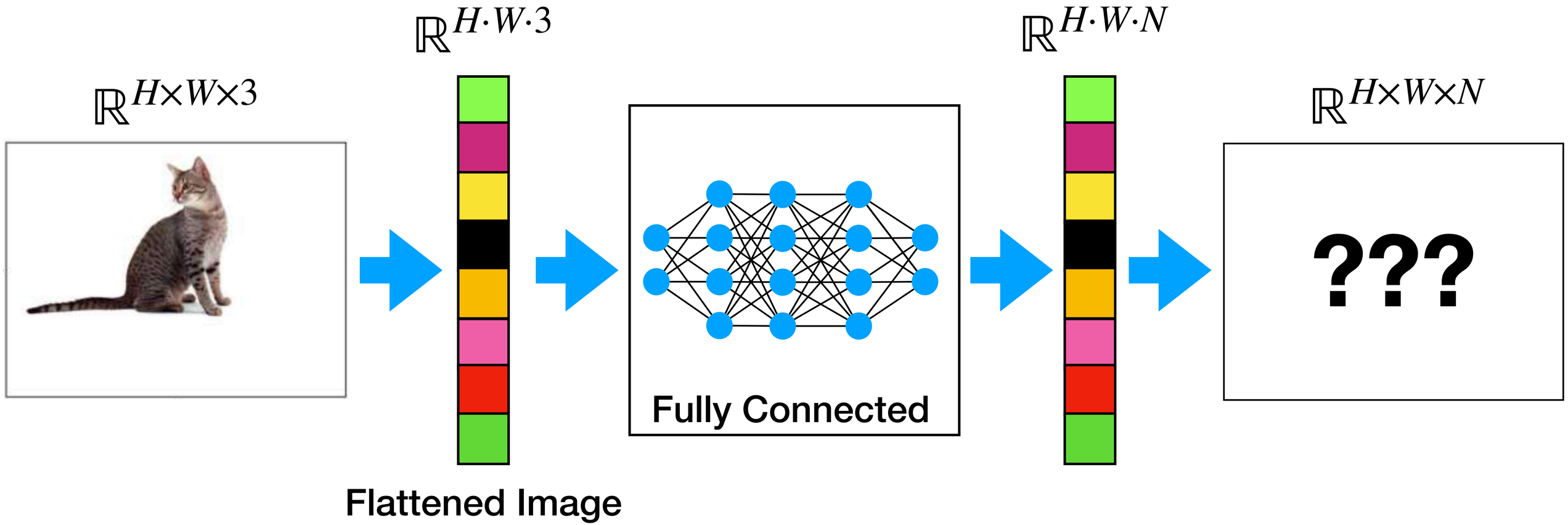

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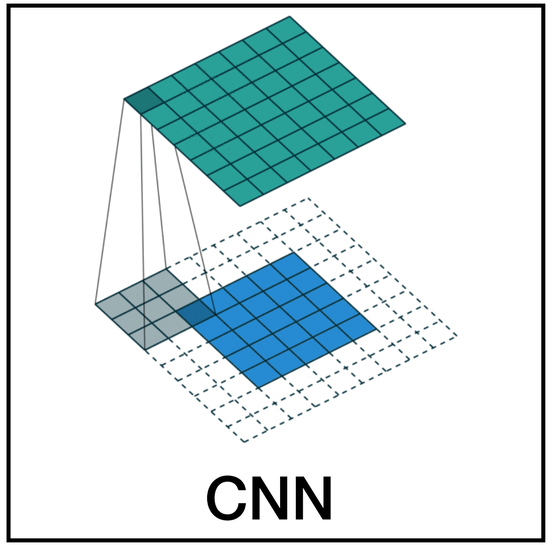

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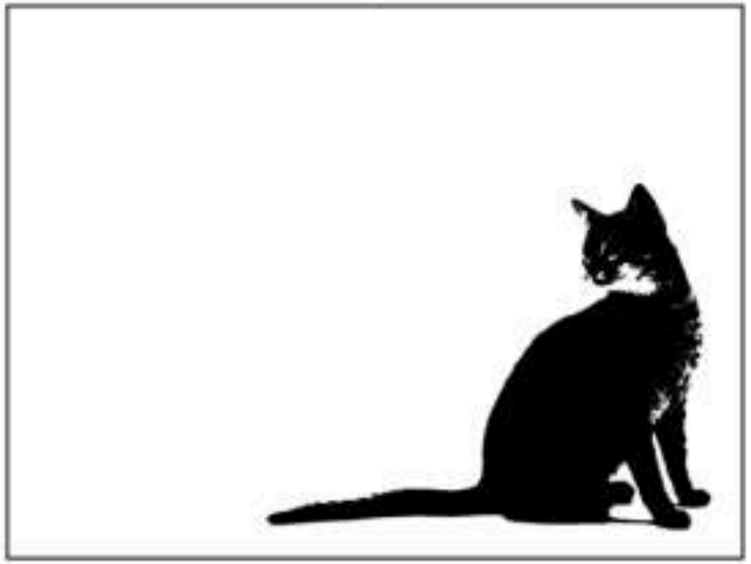

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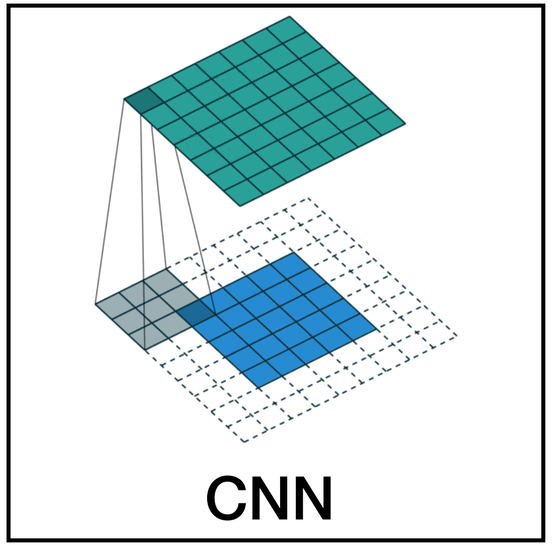

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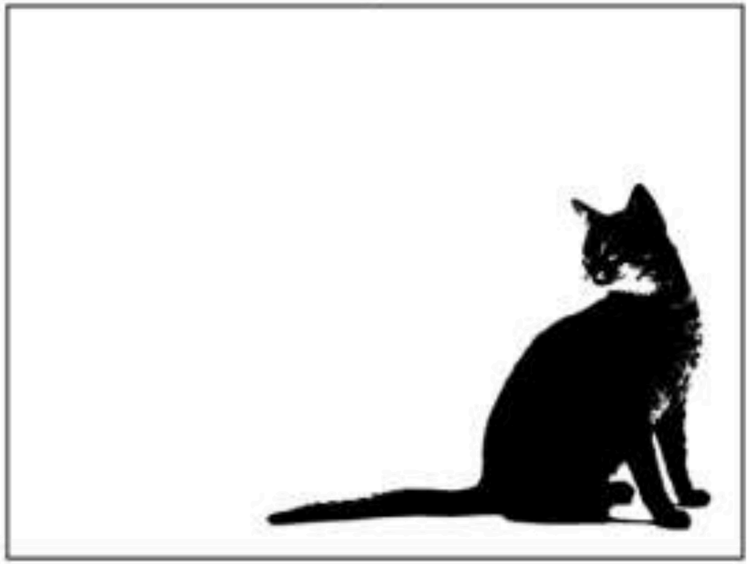

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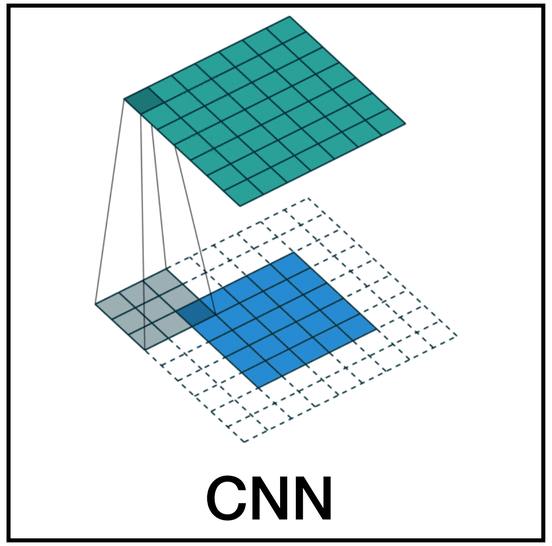

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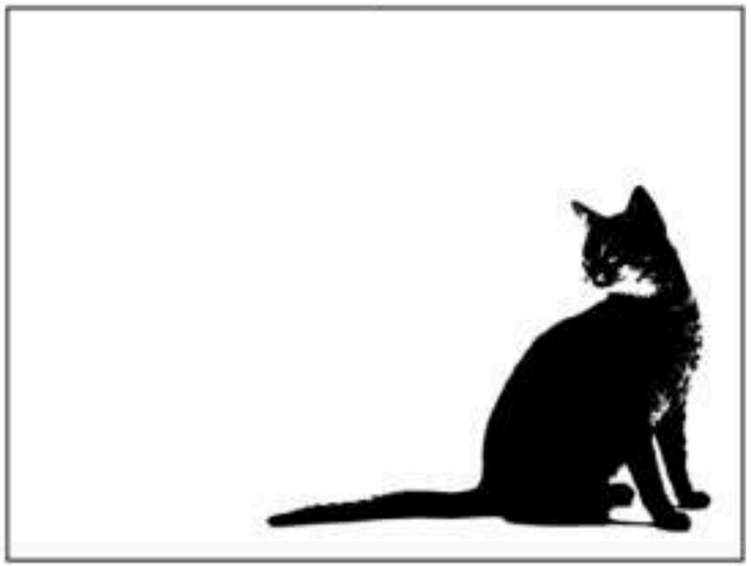

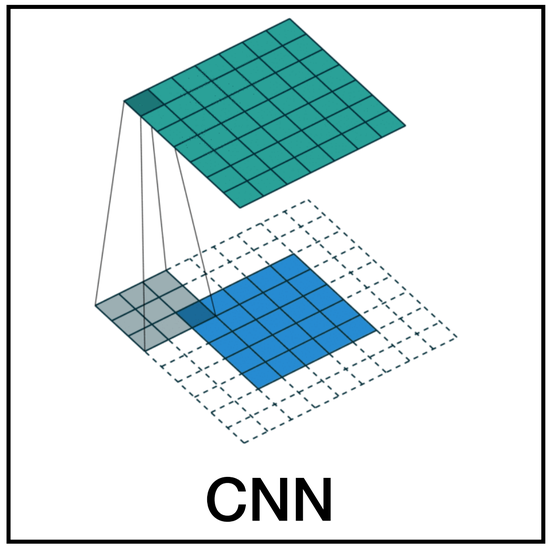

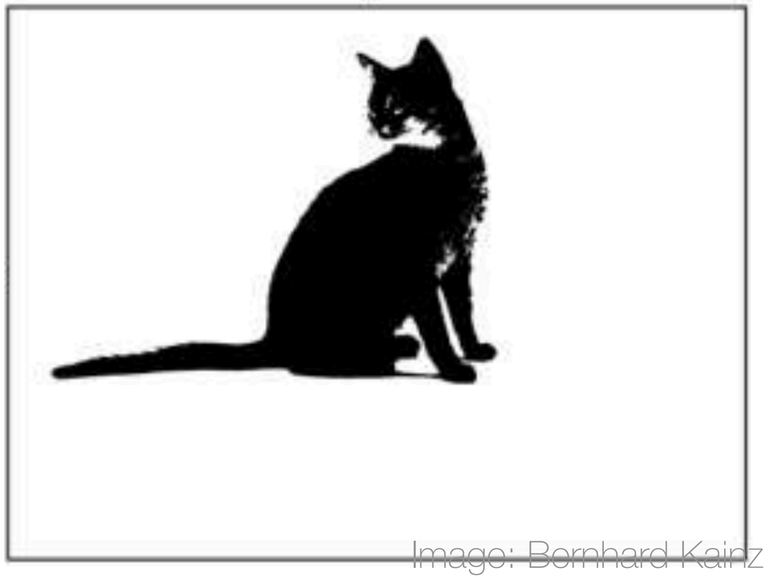

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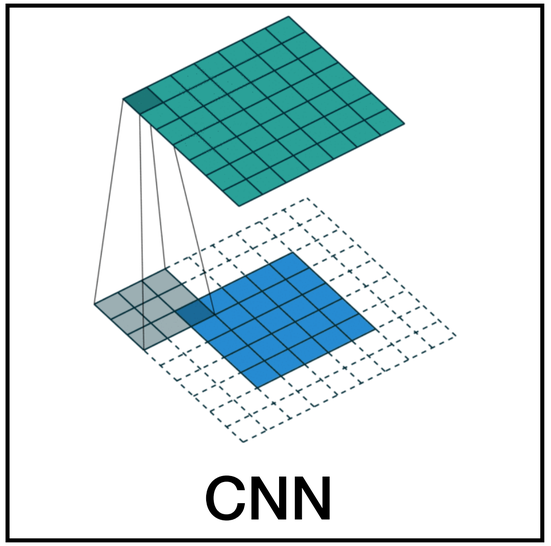

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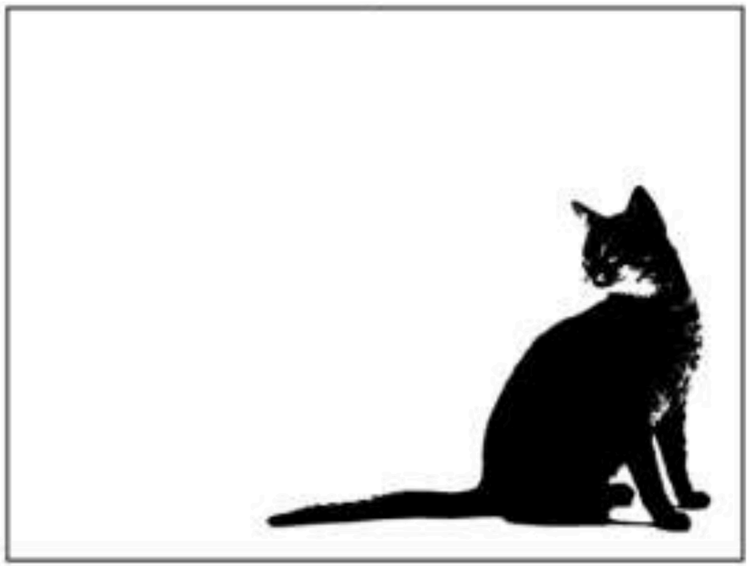

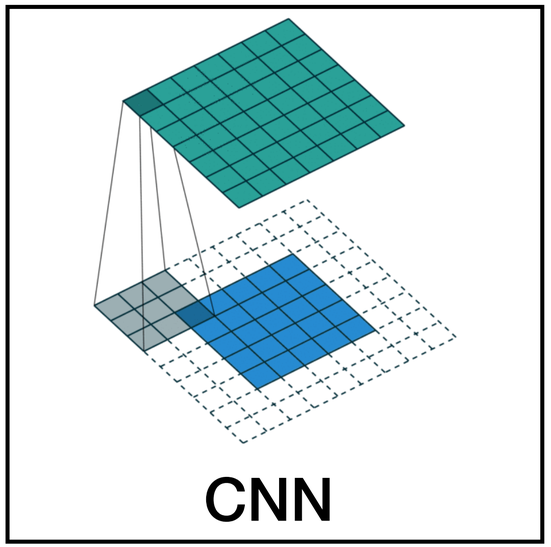

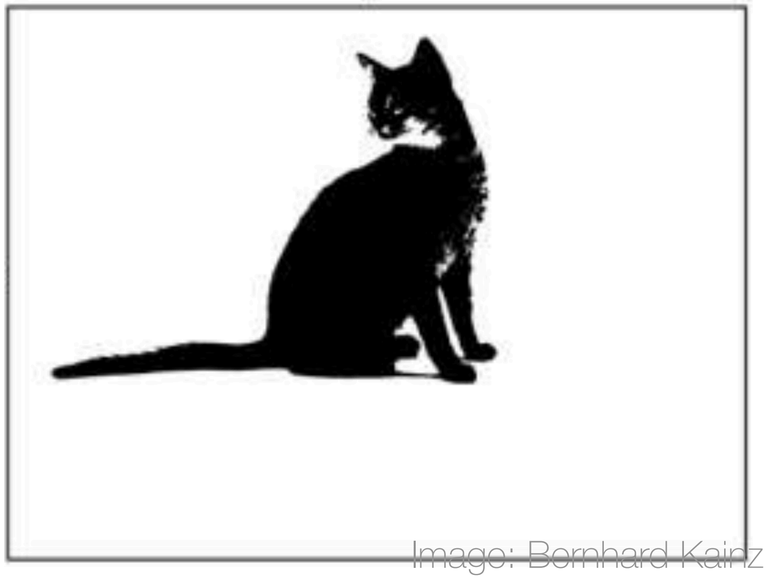

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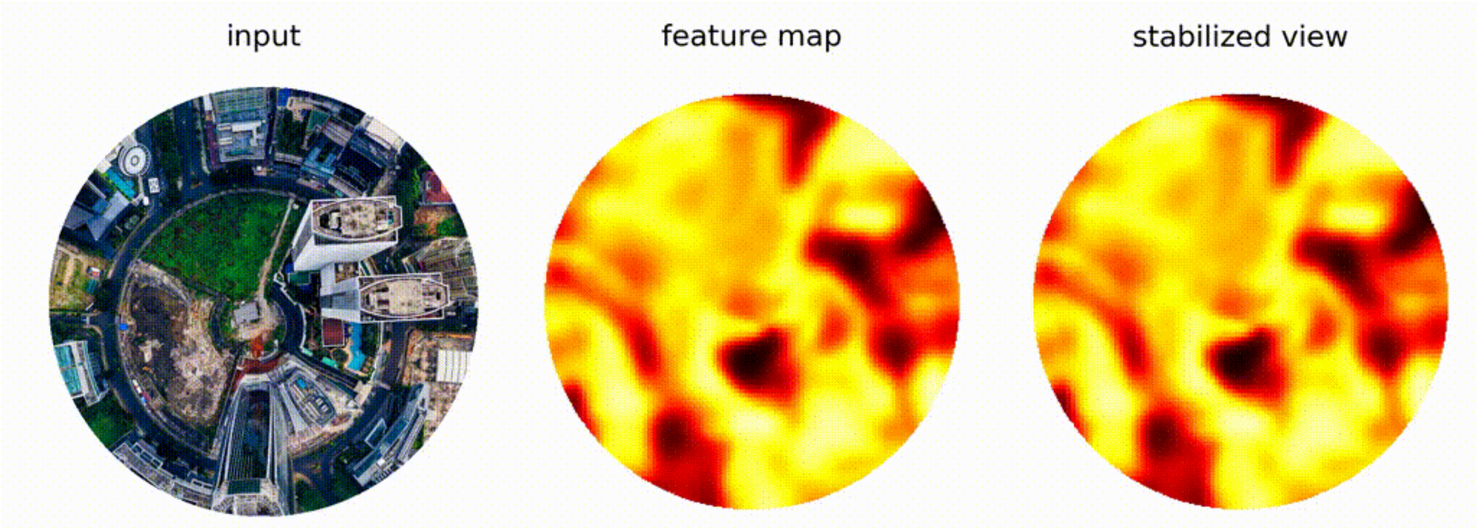

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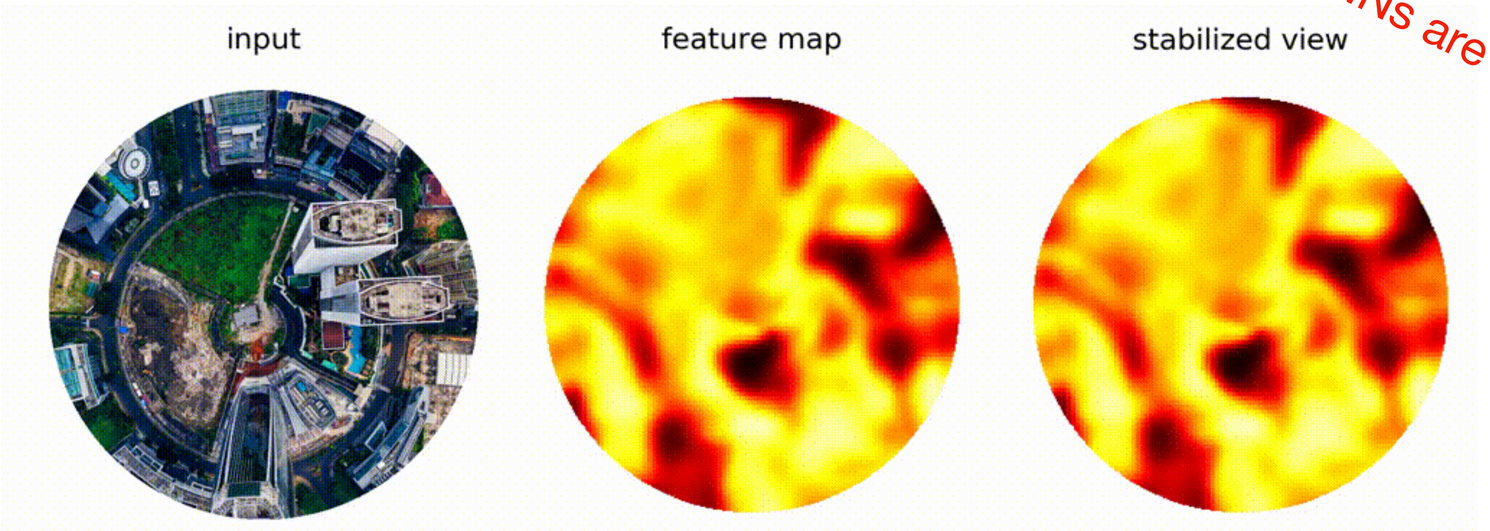

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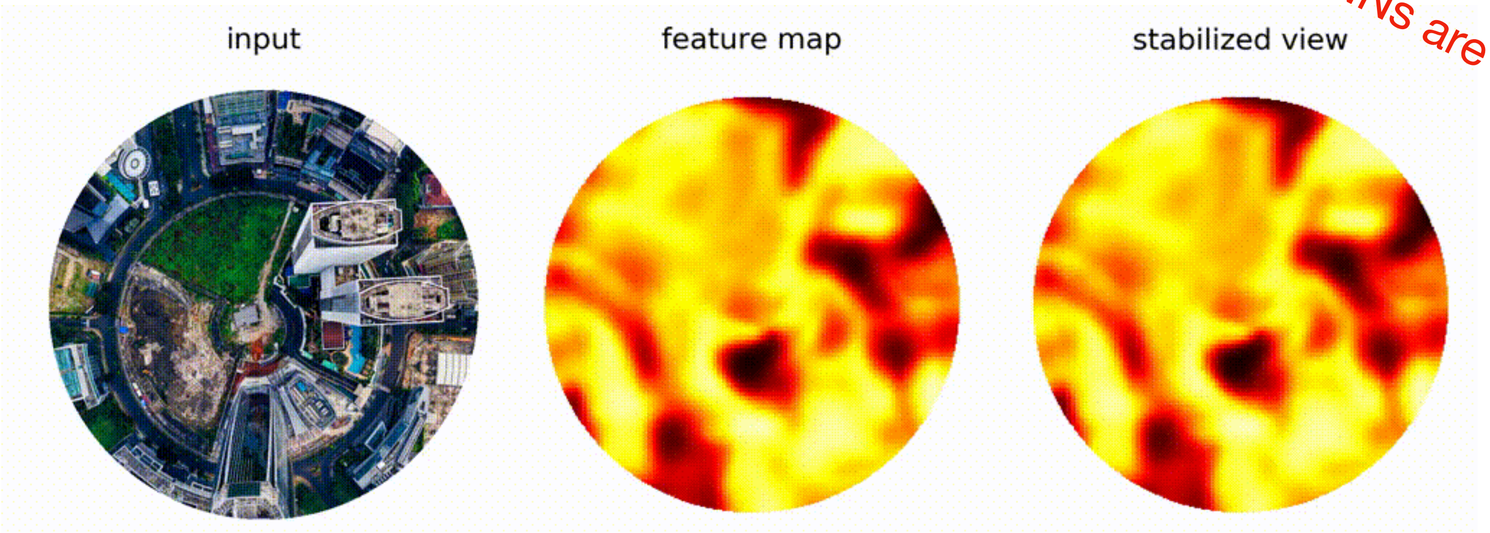

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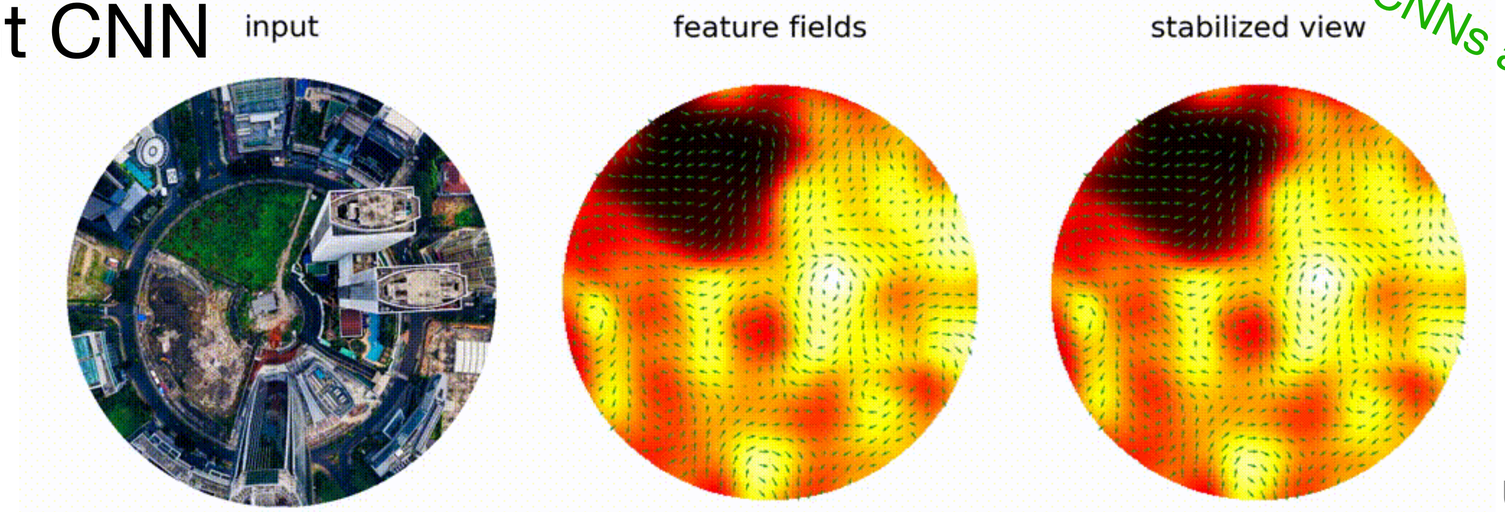

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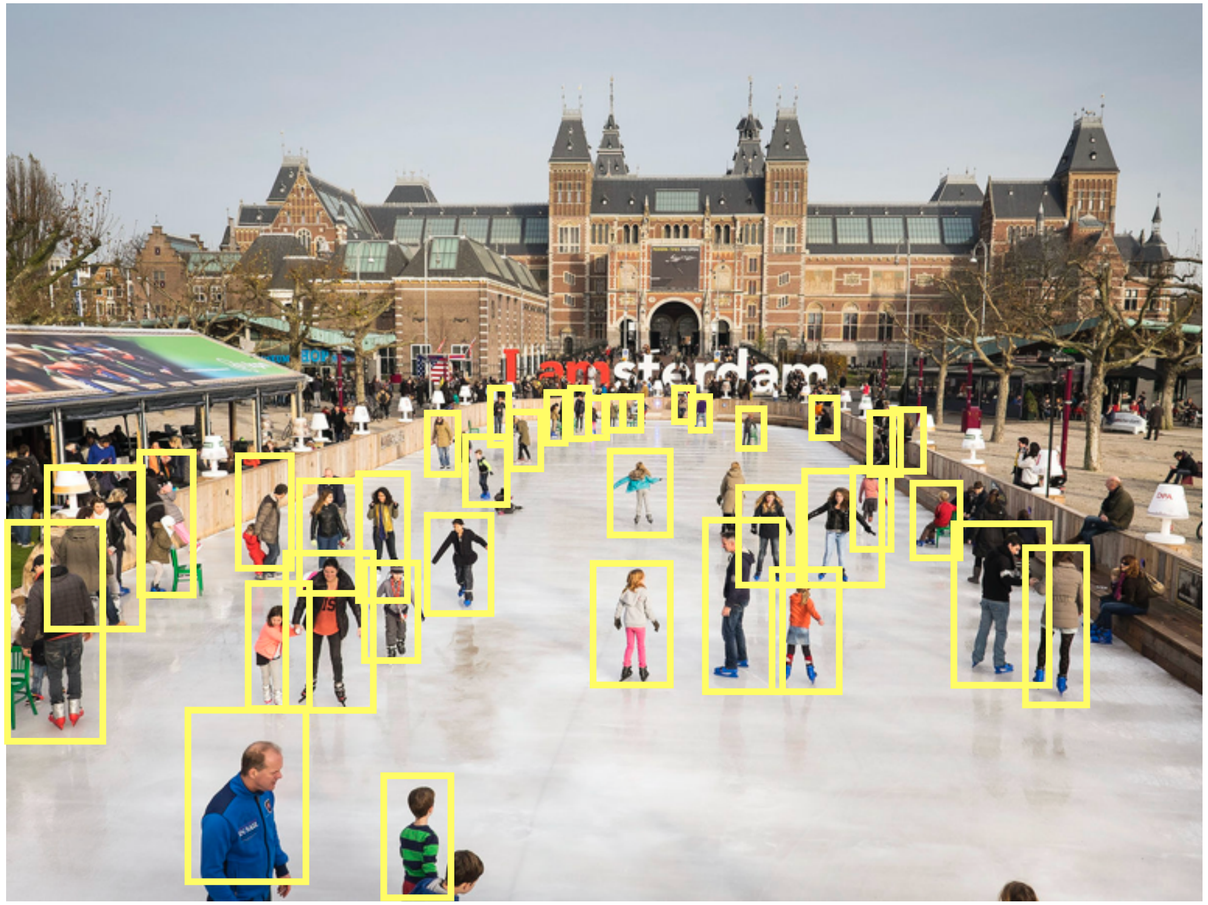

Importance of equivariance:

- No information is lost when the input is transformed

- Guaranteed stability to (local + global) transformations

Group convolutions:

- Equivariance beyond translations

- Geometric guarantees

- Increased weight sharing

G-CNNs are not only relevant for invariant problems but for any type of structured data!

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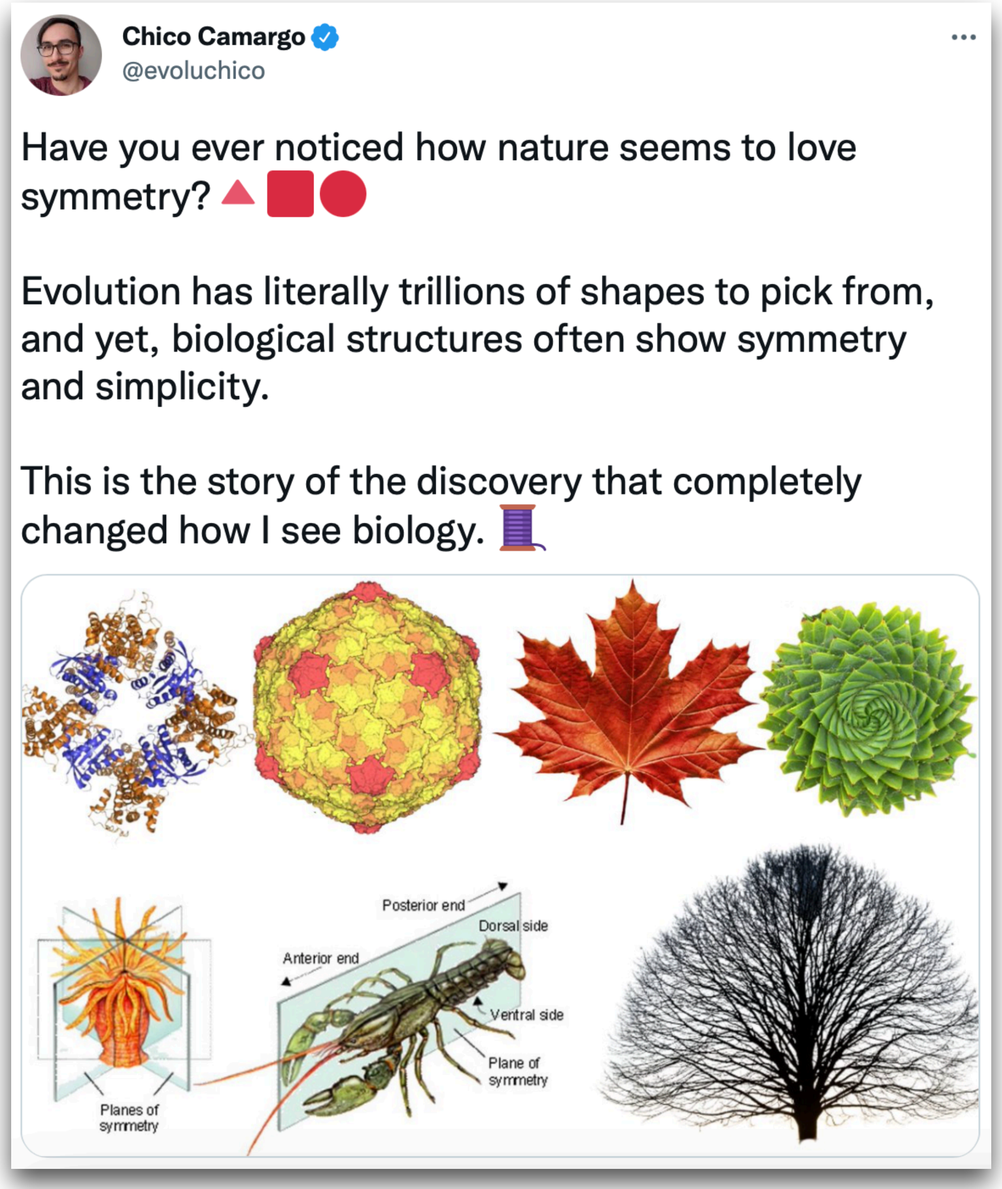

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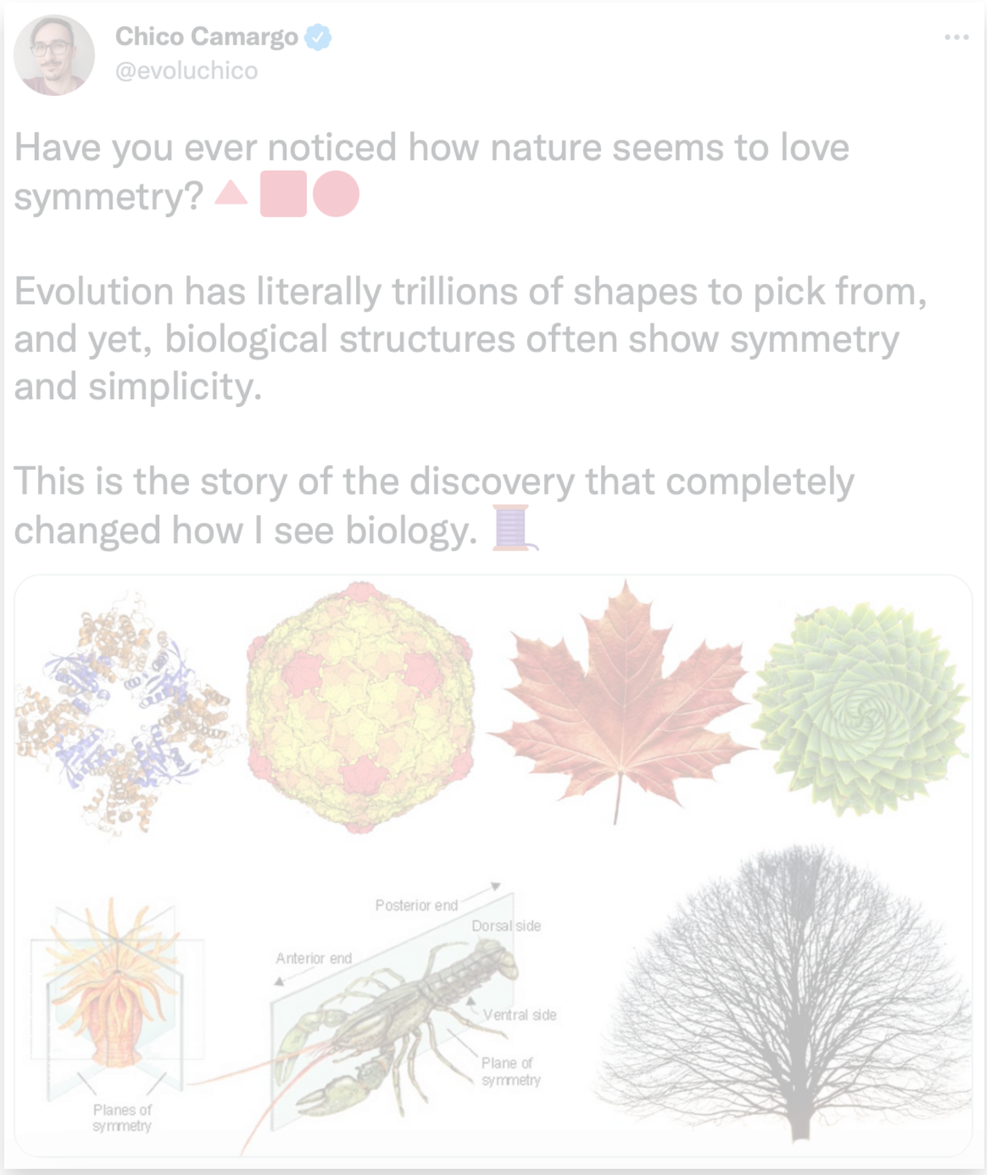

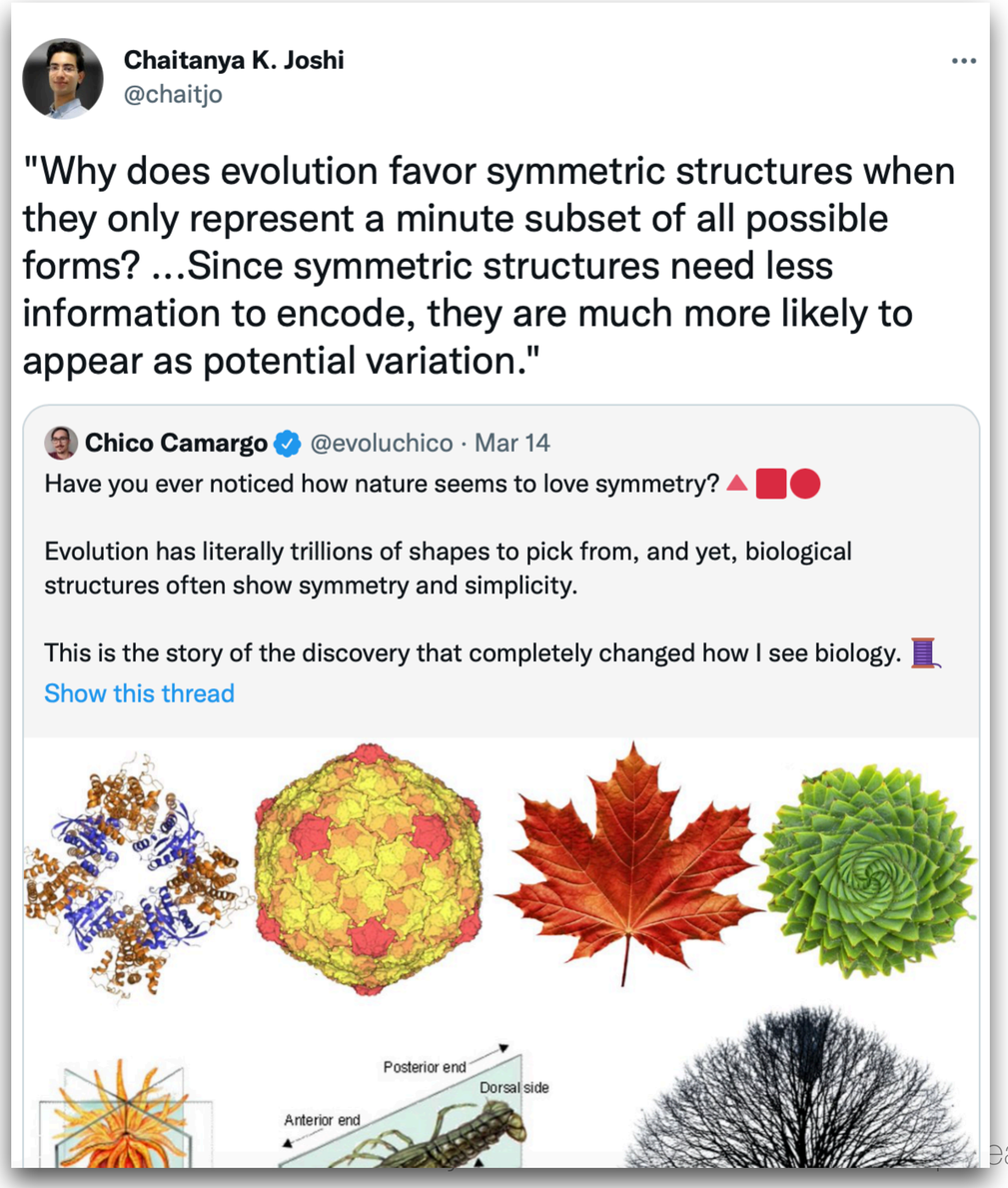

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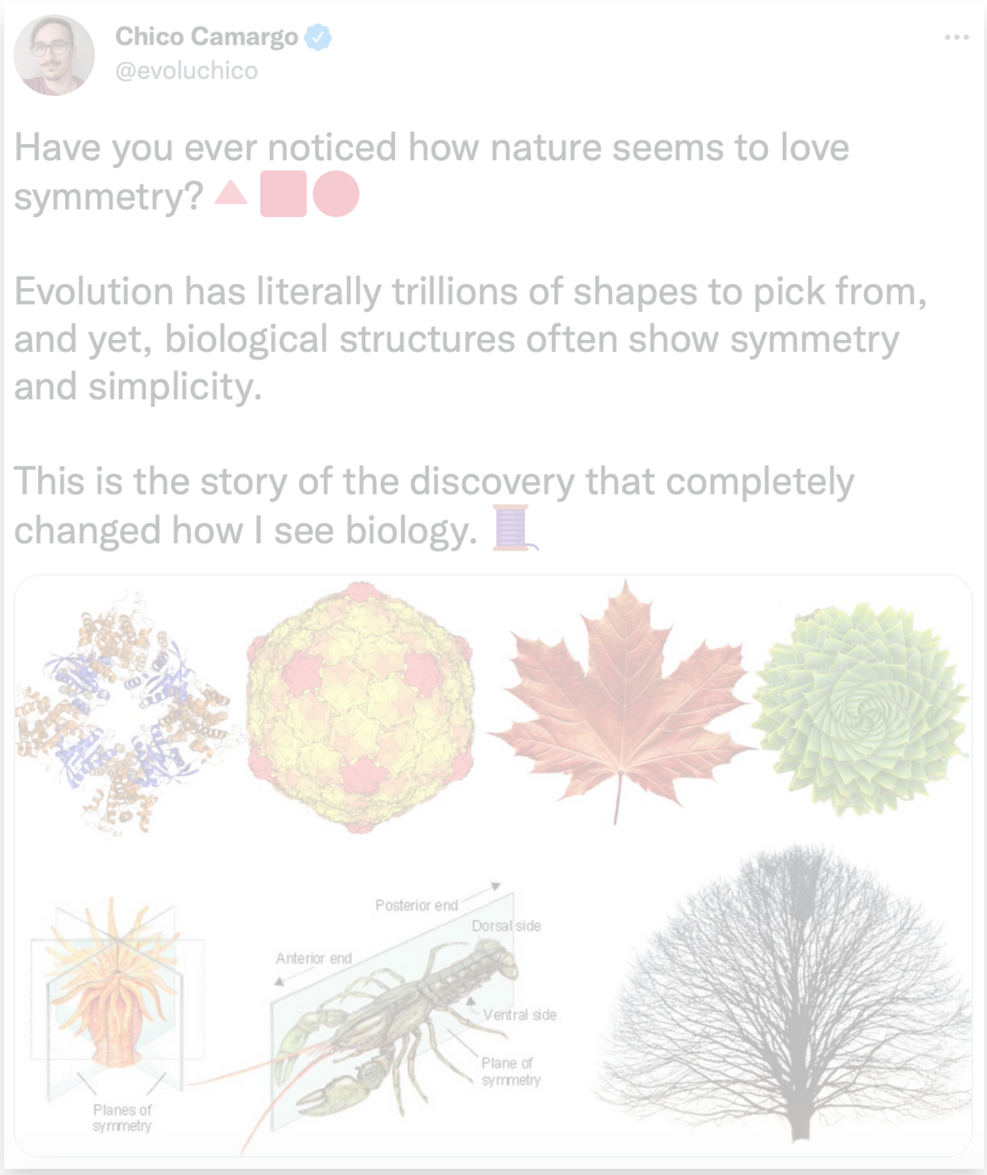

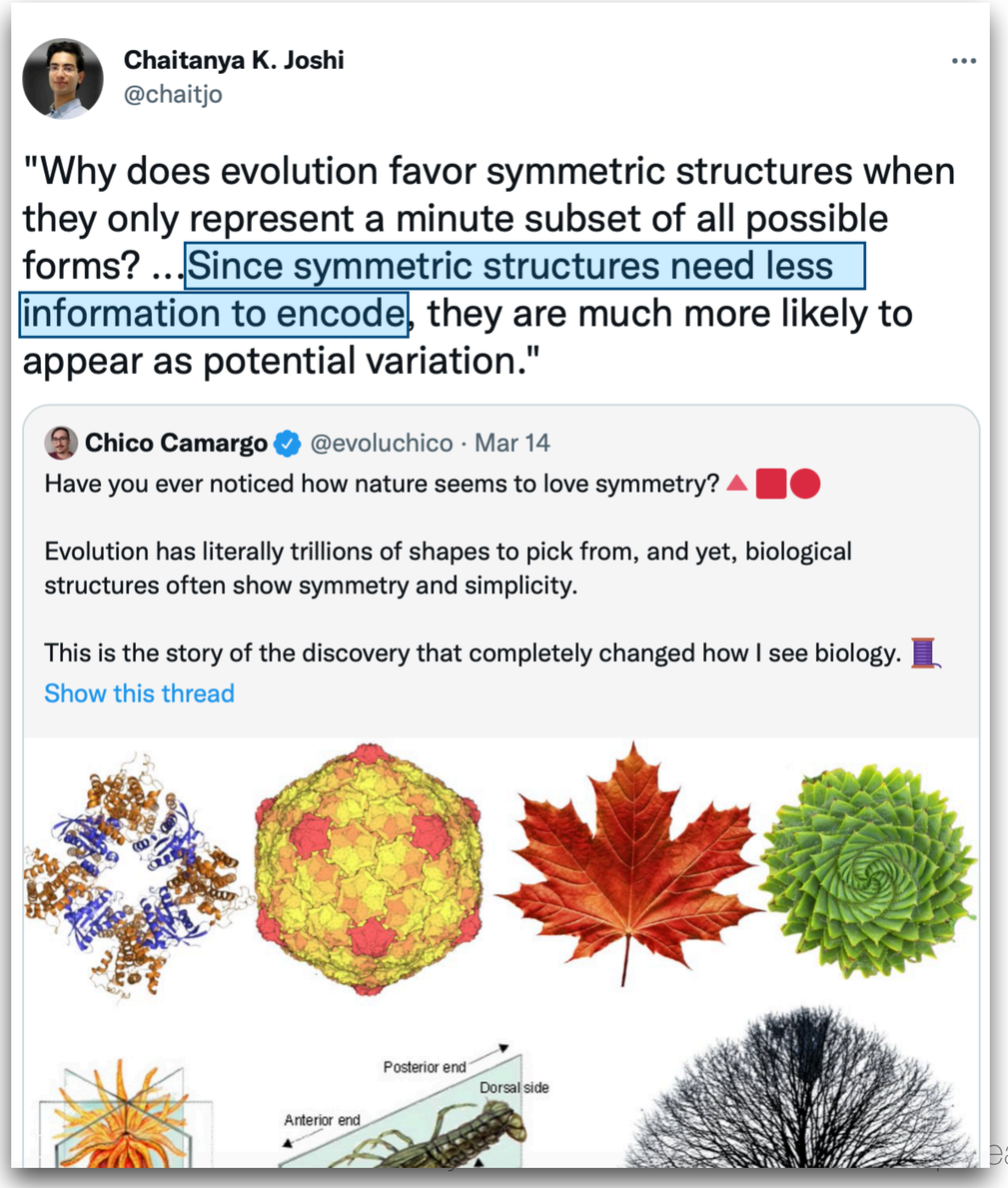

What is a group?

A group $(G, \cdot\ )$ is a set of elements G equipped with a group product $\cdot$, a binary operator, that satisfies the following four axioms:

- **Closure**: Given two elements g and h of G, the product $g \cdot h$ is also in G.
- **Associativity**: For $g, h, i \in G$ the product $\cdot$ is associative, i.e., $g \cdot (h \cdot i) = (g \cdot h) \cdot i$.
- **Identity element**: There exists an identity element $e \in G$ such that $e \cdot g = g \cdot e = g$ for any $g \in G$.
- **Inverse element**: For each $g \in G$ there exists an inverse element $g^{-1} \in G$ s.t. $g^{-1} \cdot g = g \cdot g^{-1} = e$.

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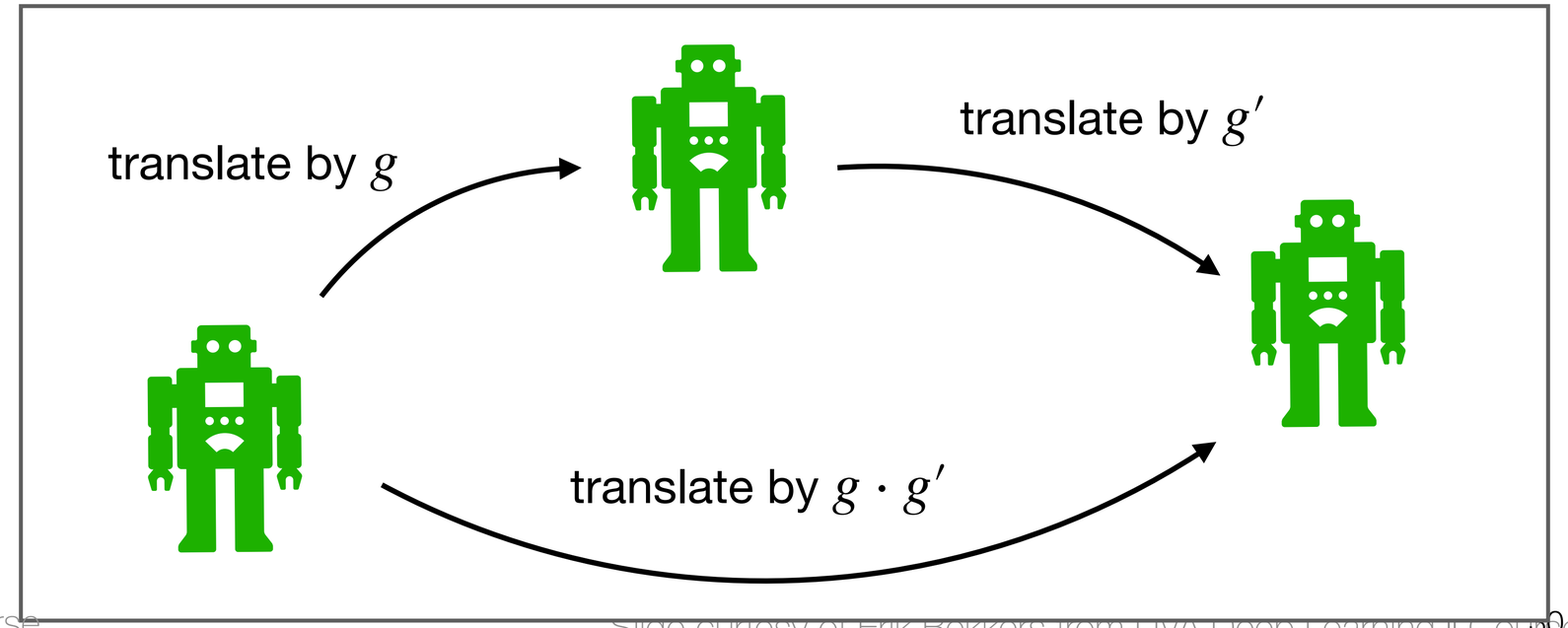

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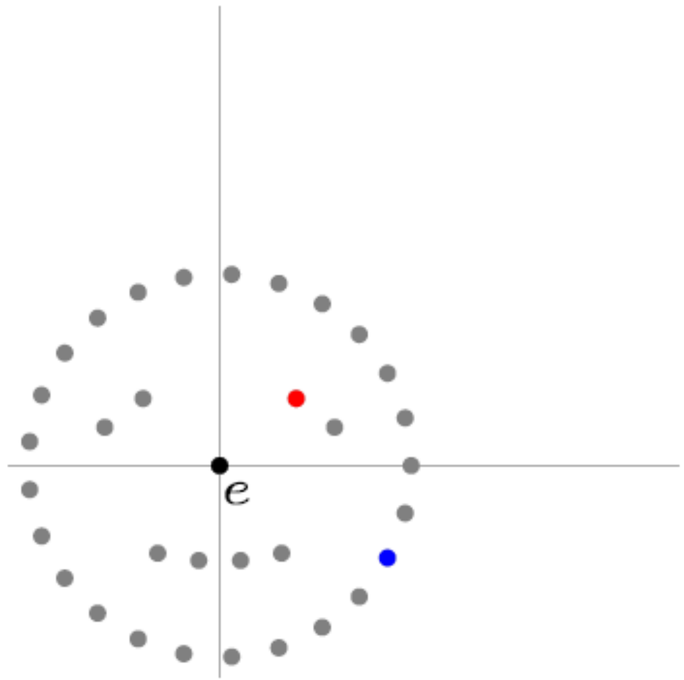

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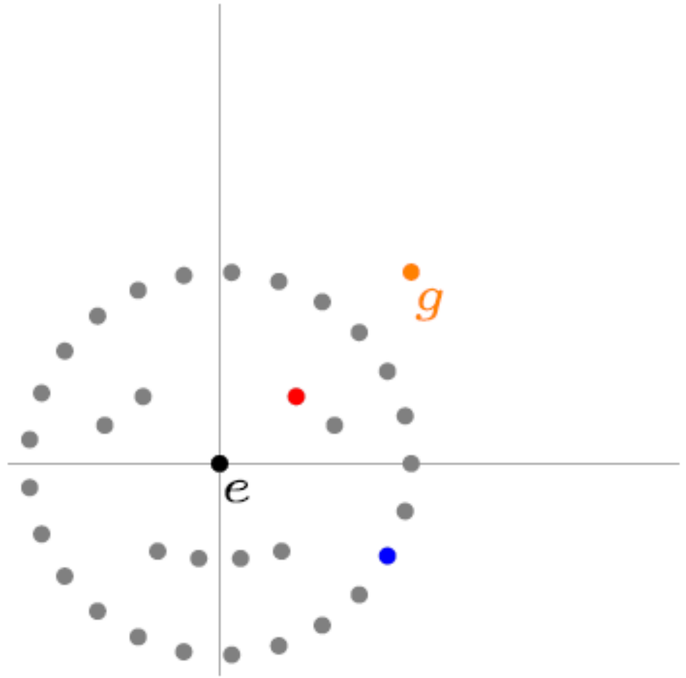

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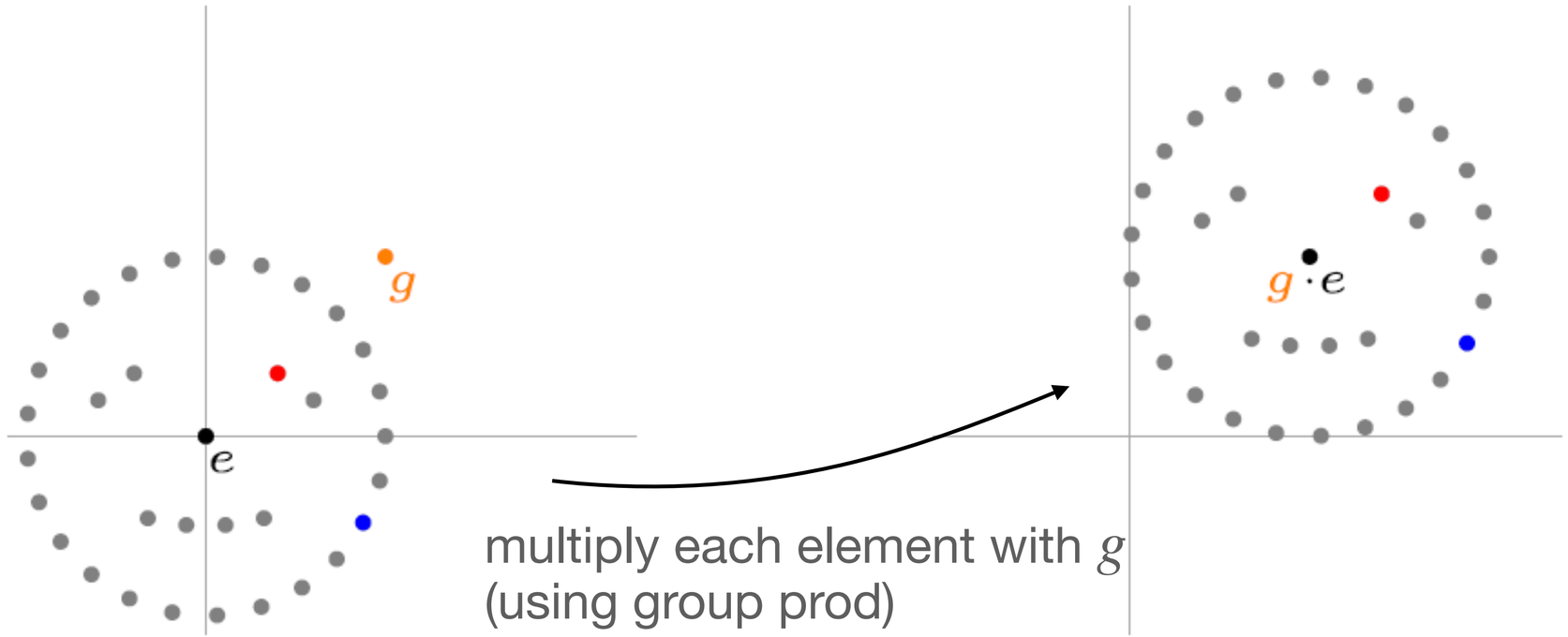

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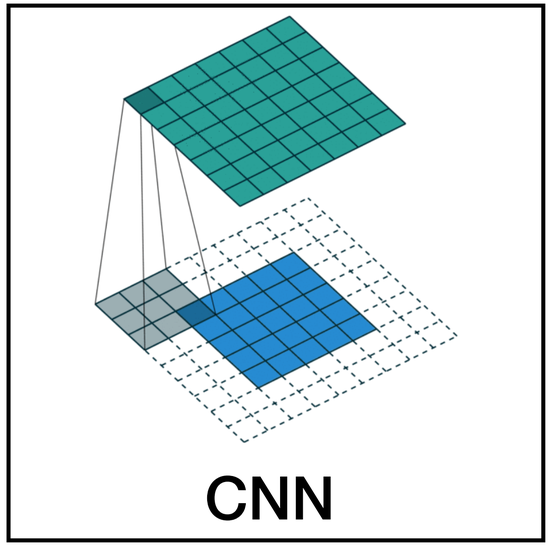

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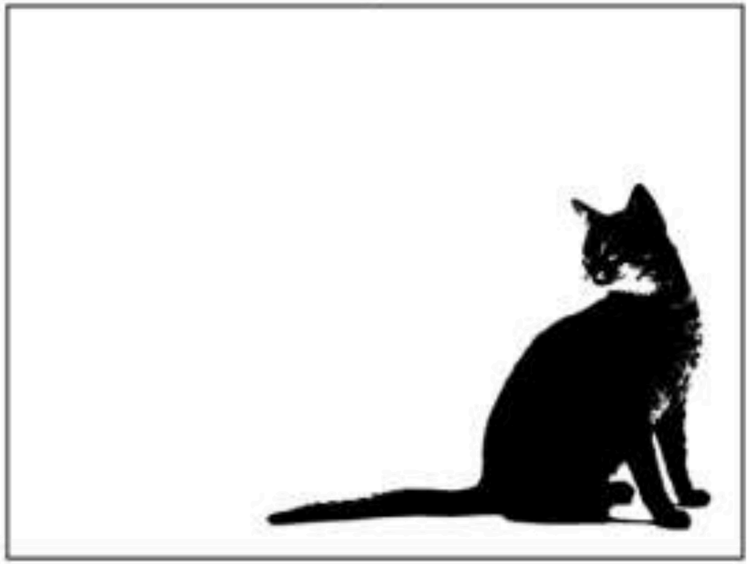

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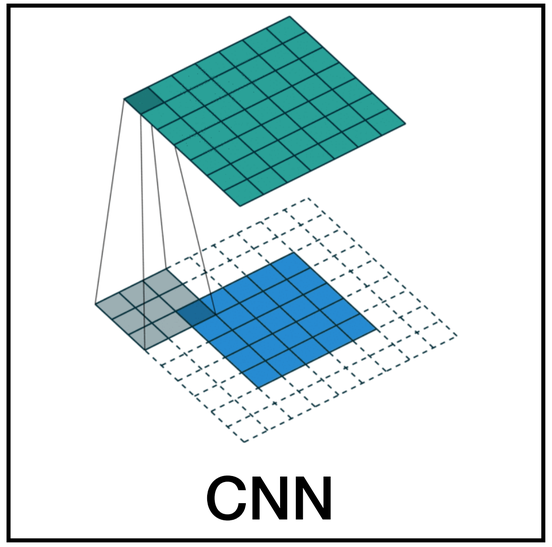

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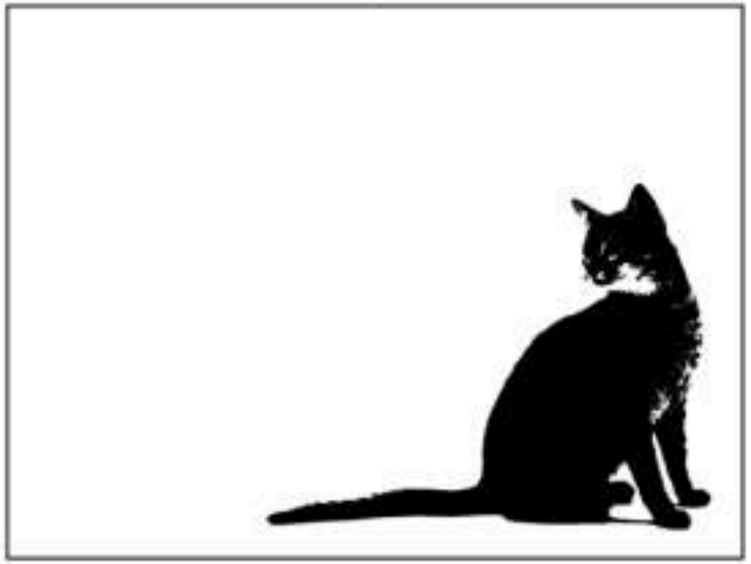

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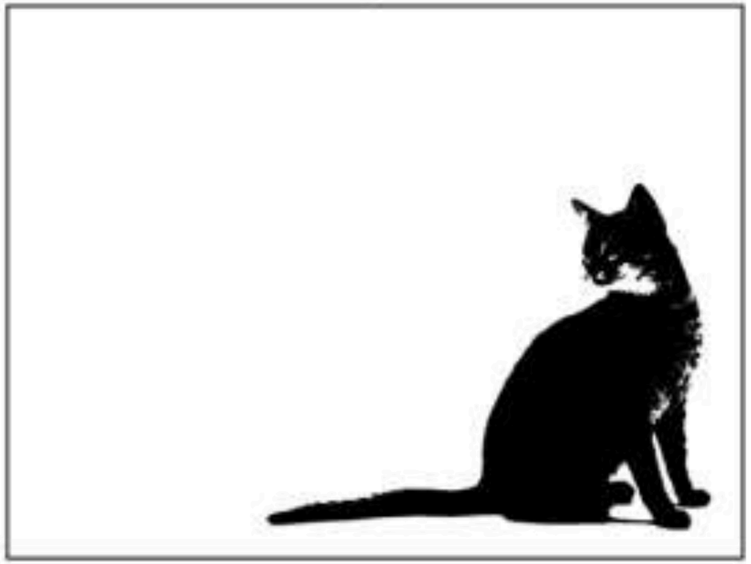

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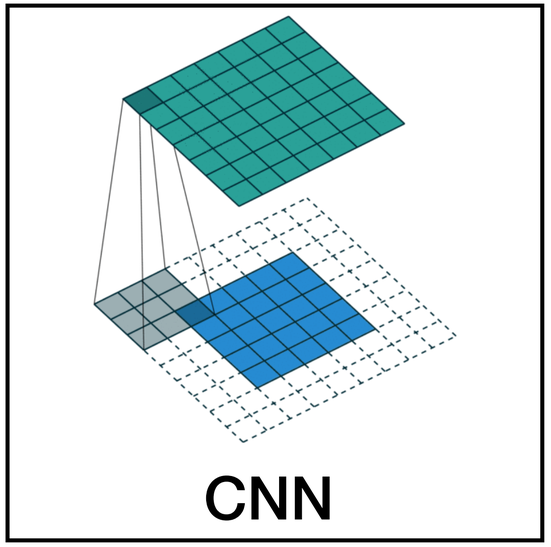

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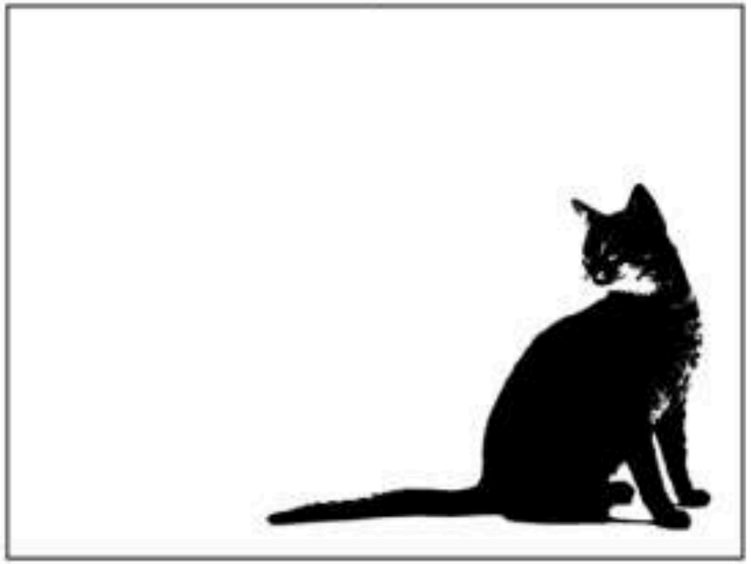

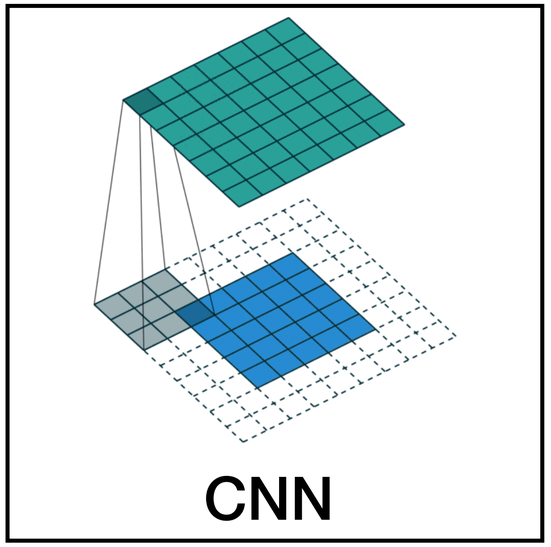

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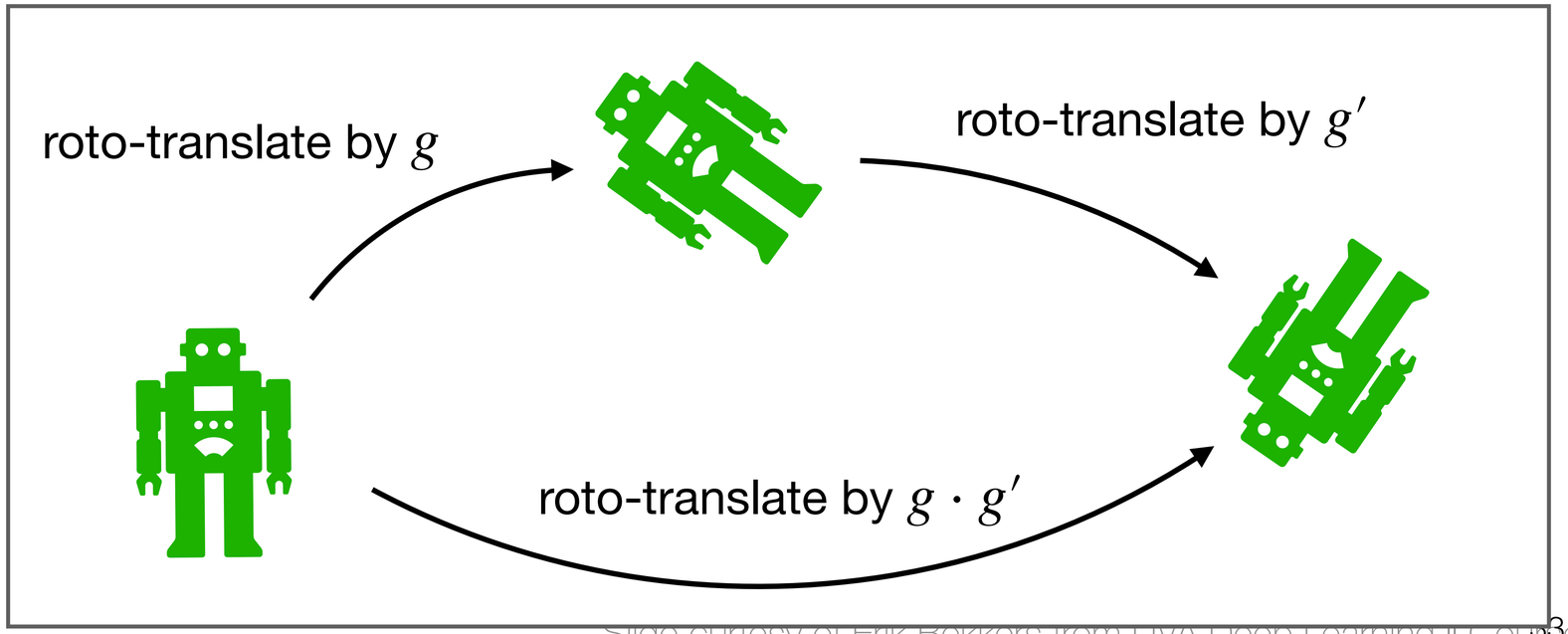

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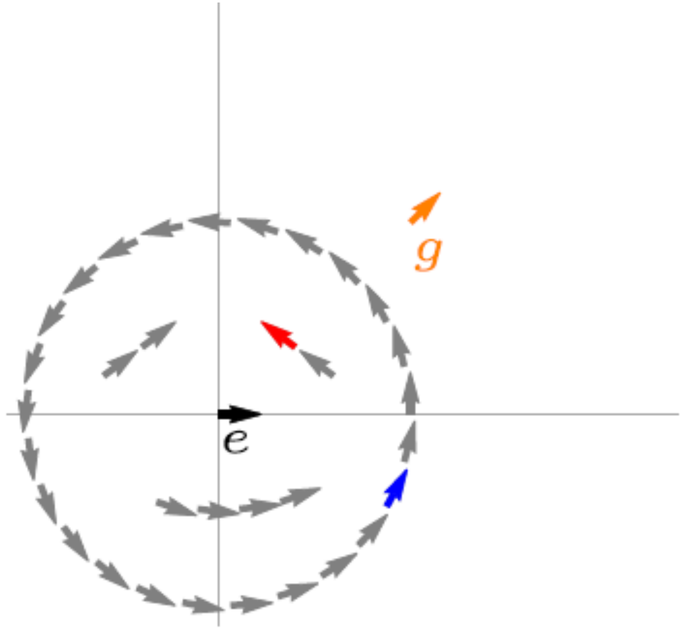

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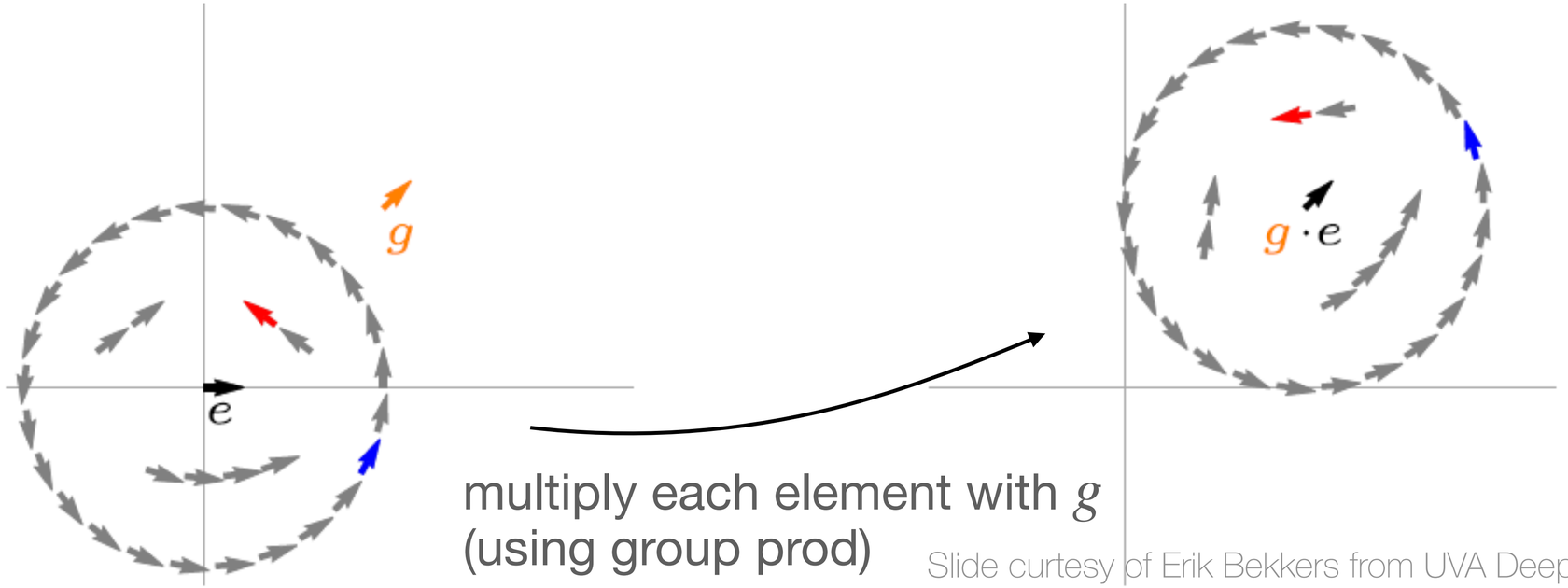

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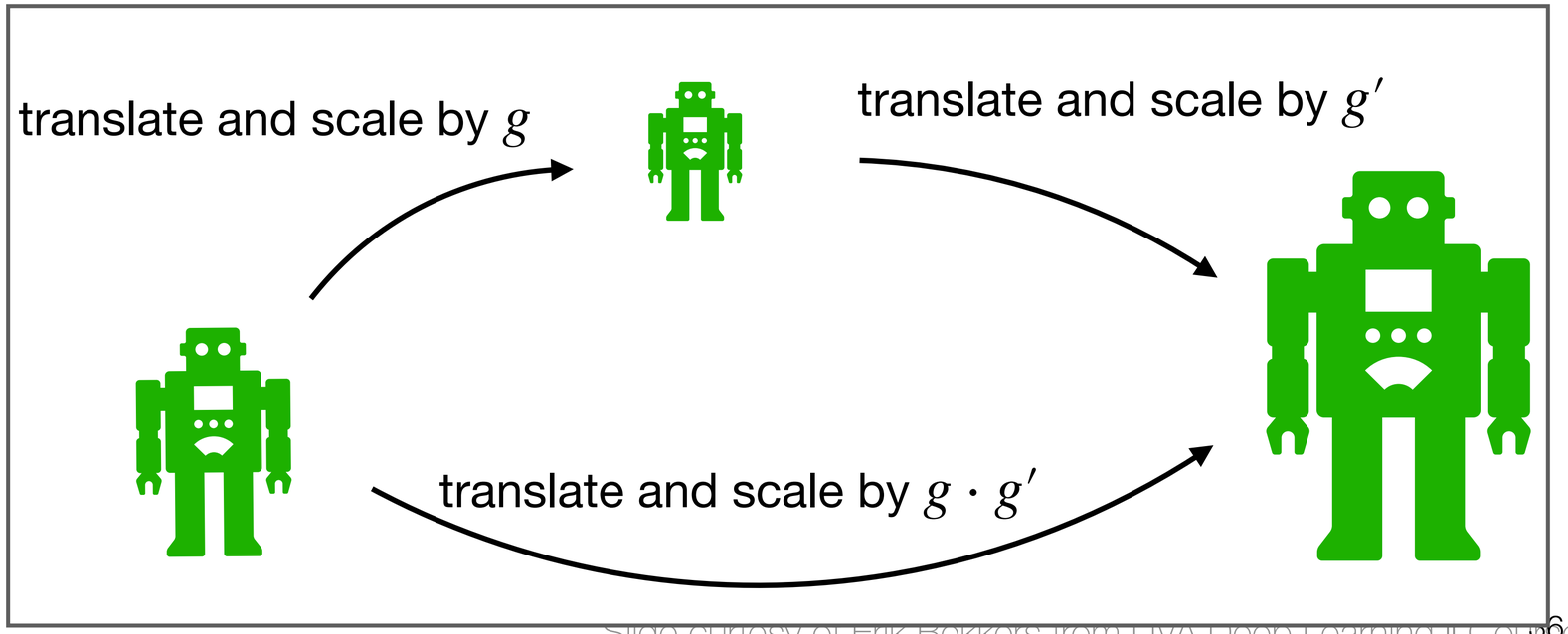

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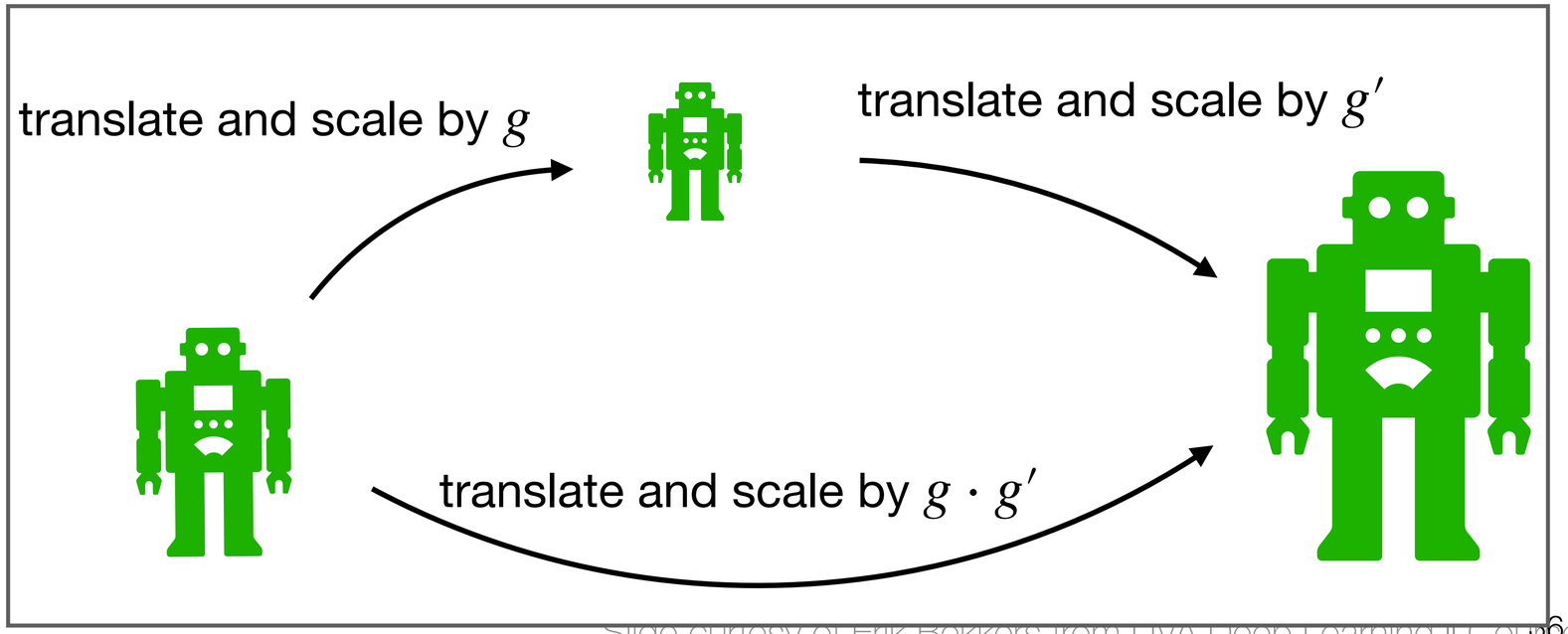

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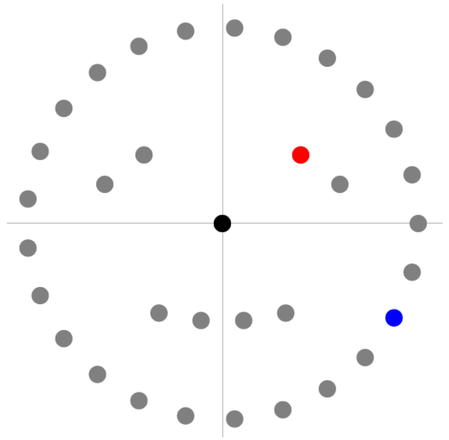

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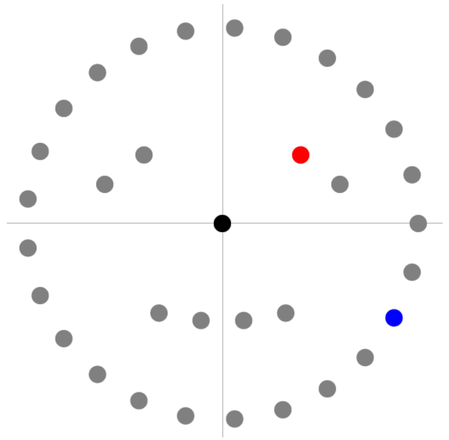

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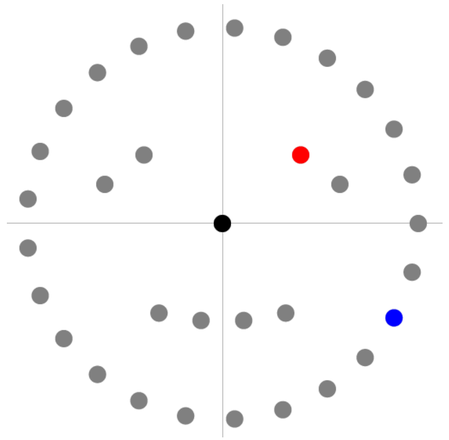

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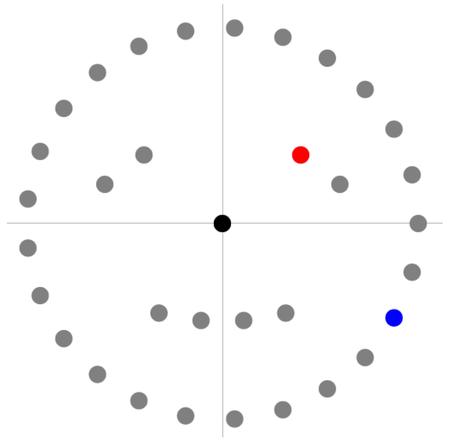

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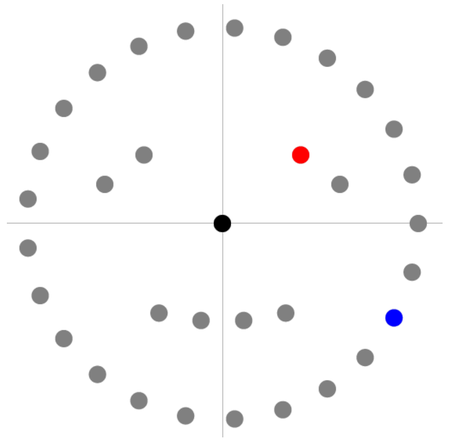

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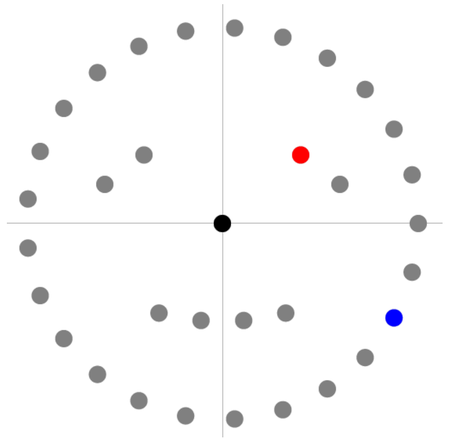

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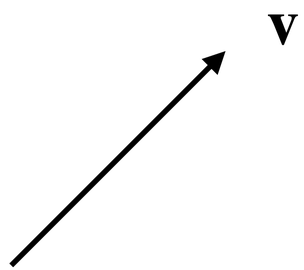

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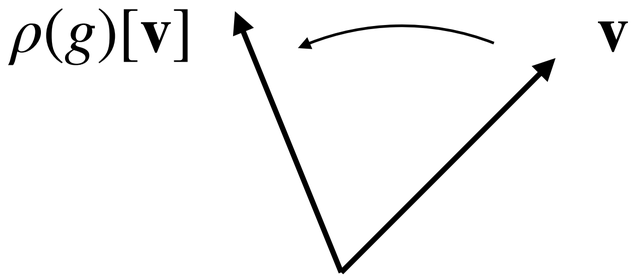

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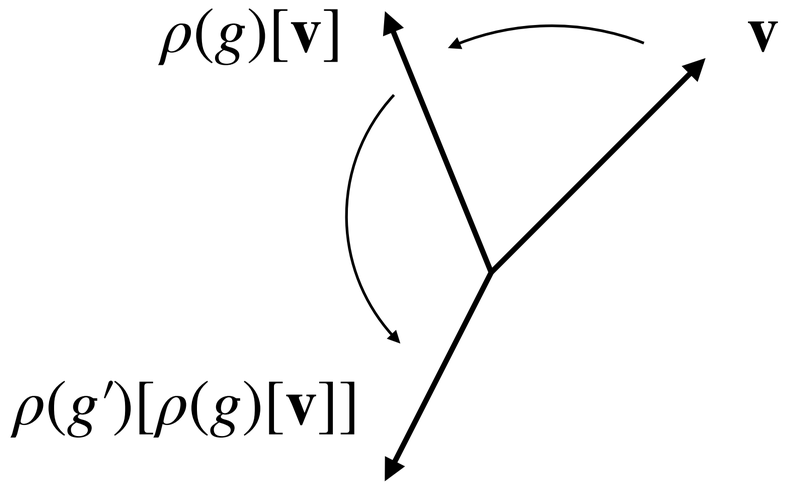

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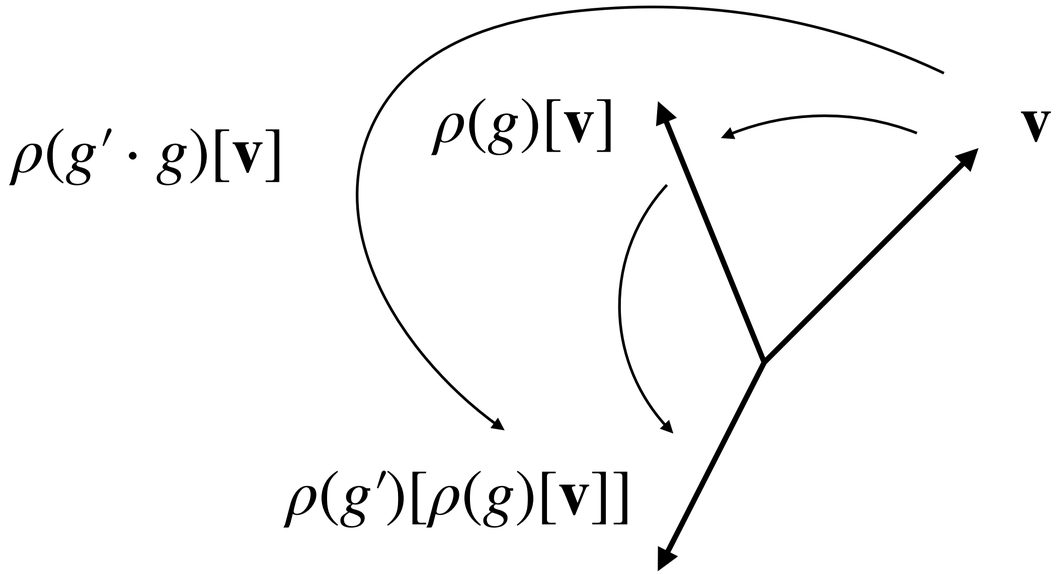

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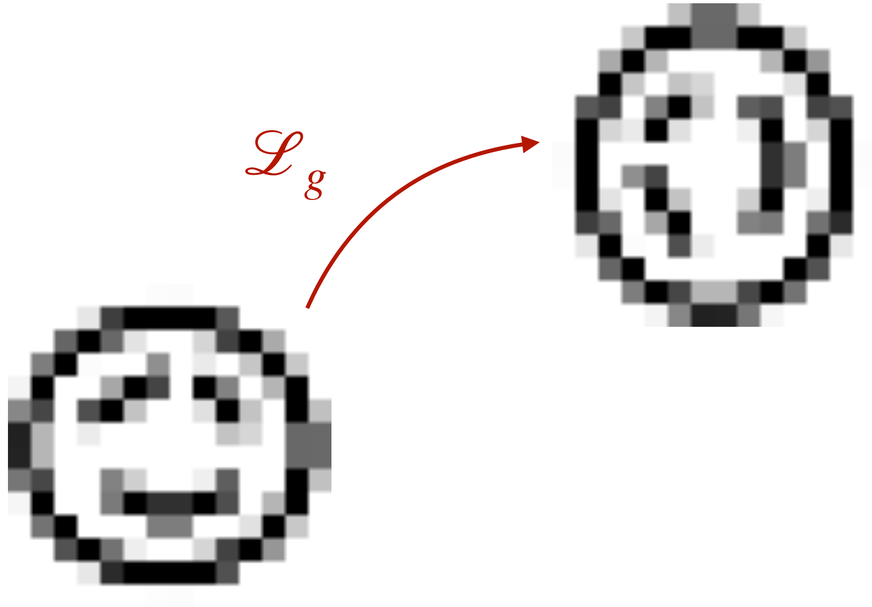

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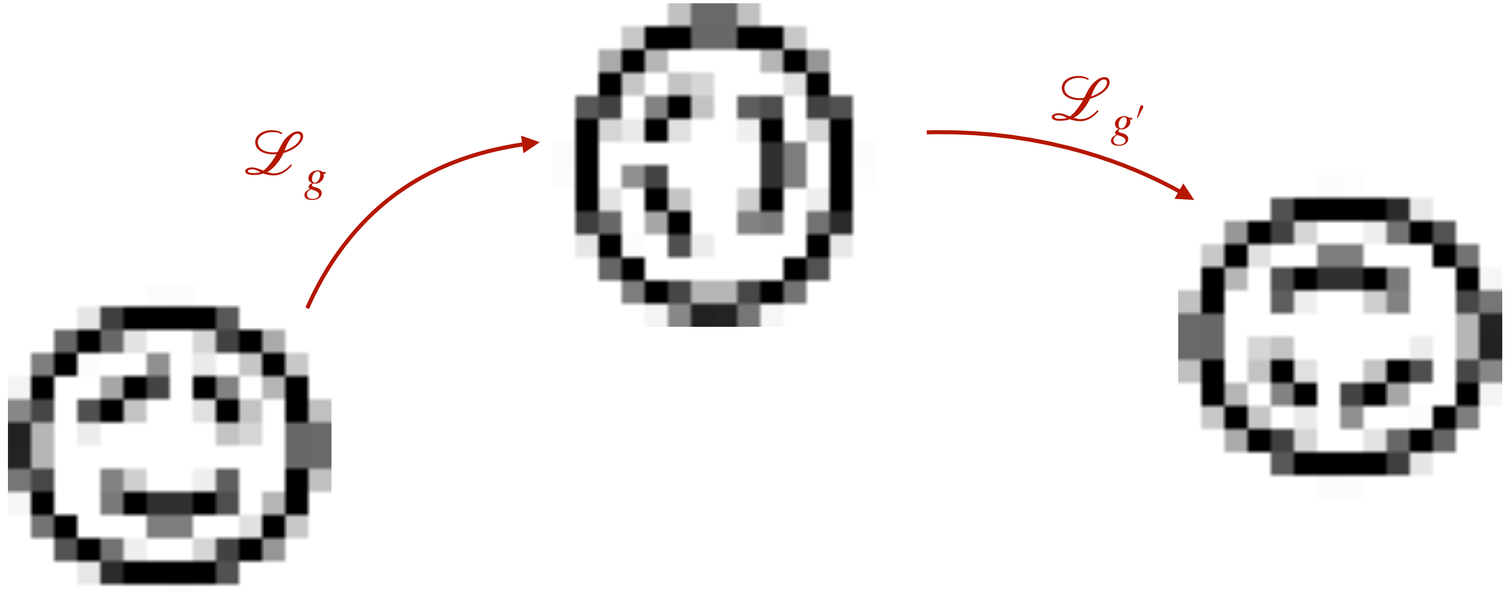

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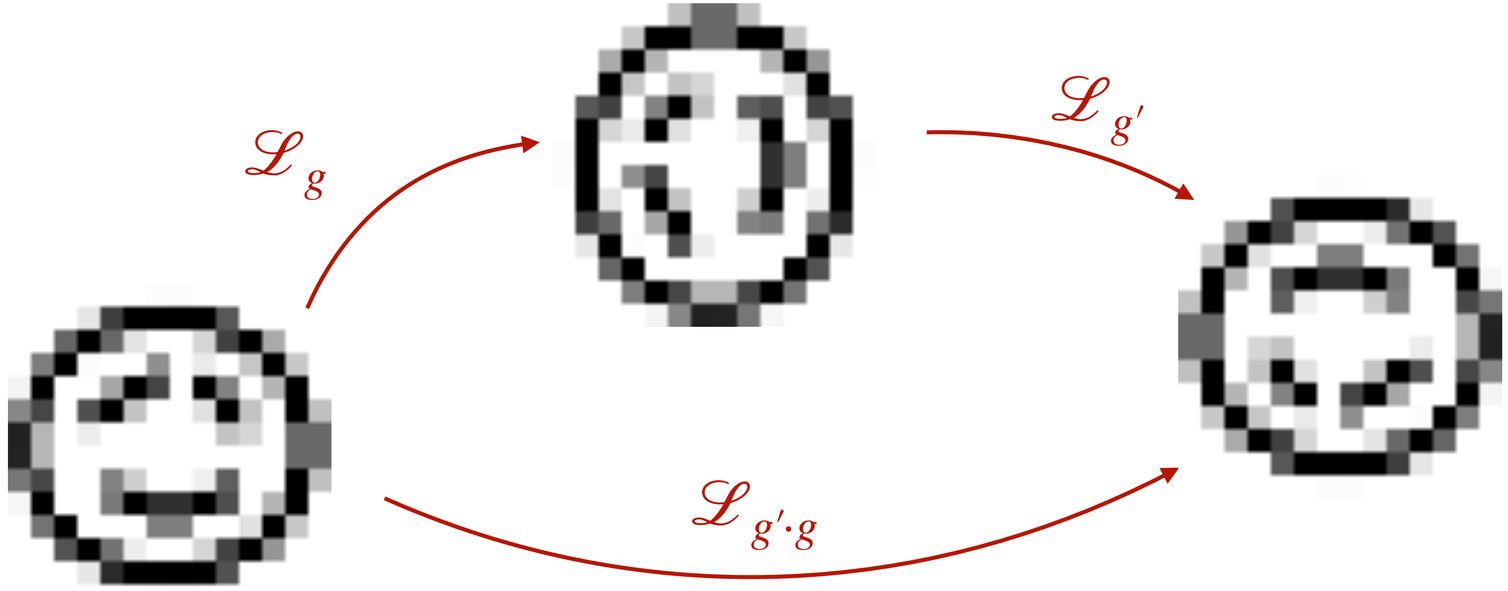

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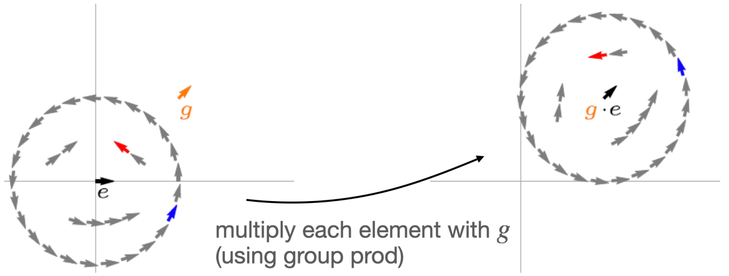

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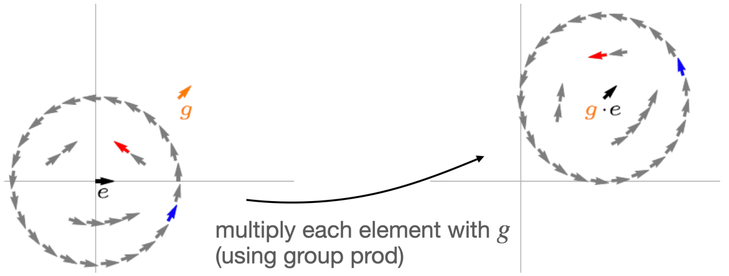

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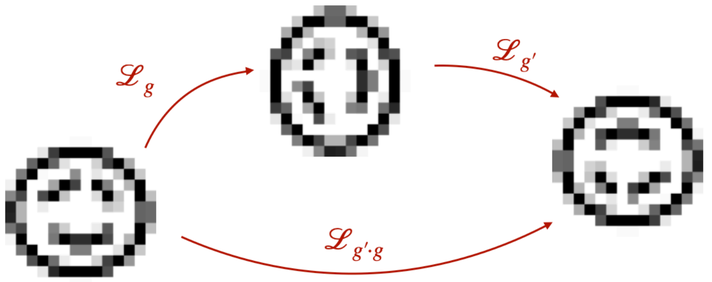

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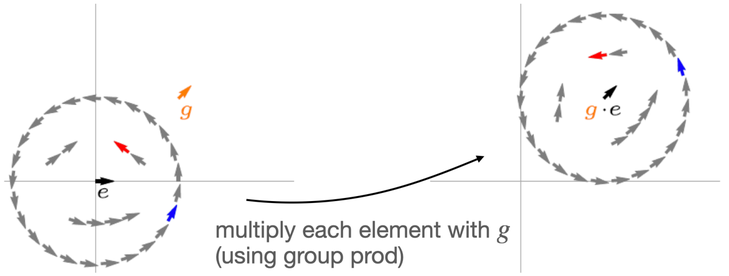

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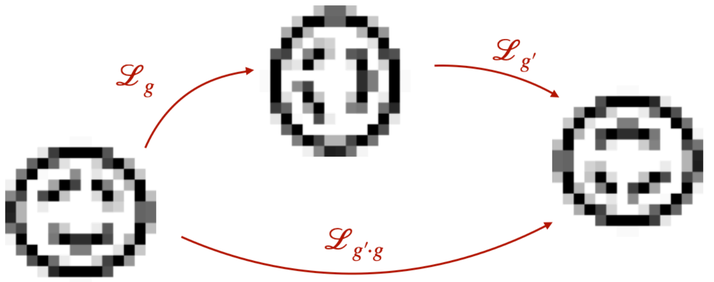

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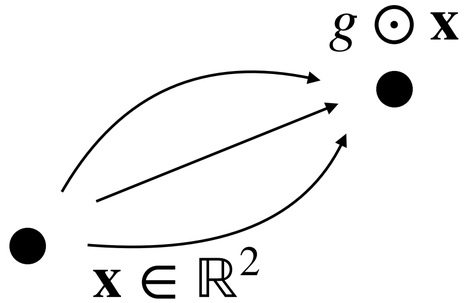

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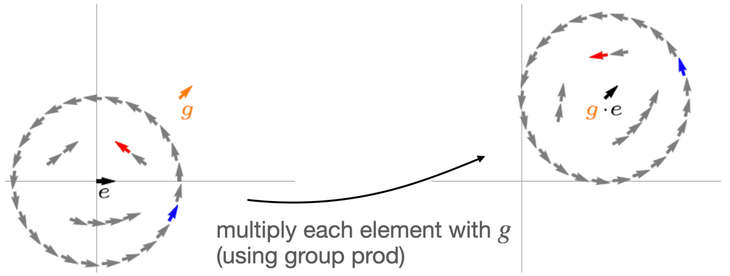

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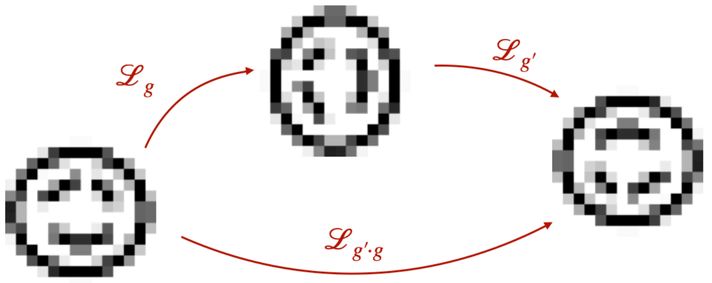

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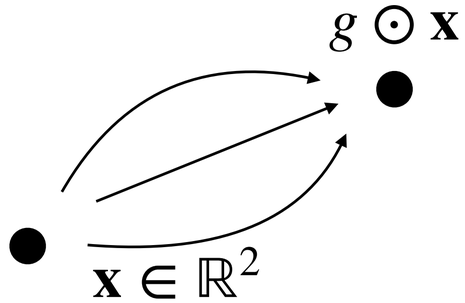

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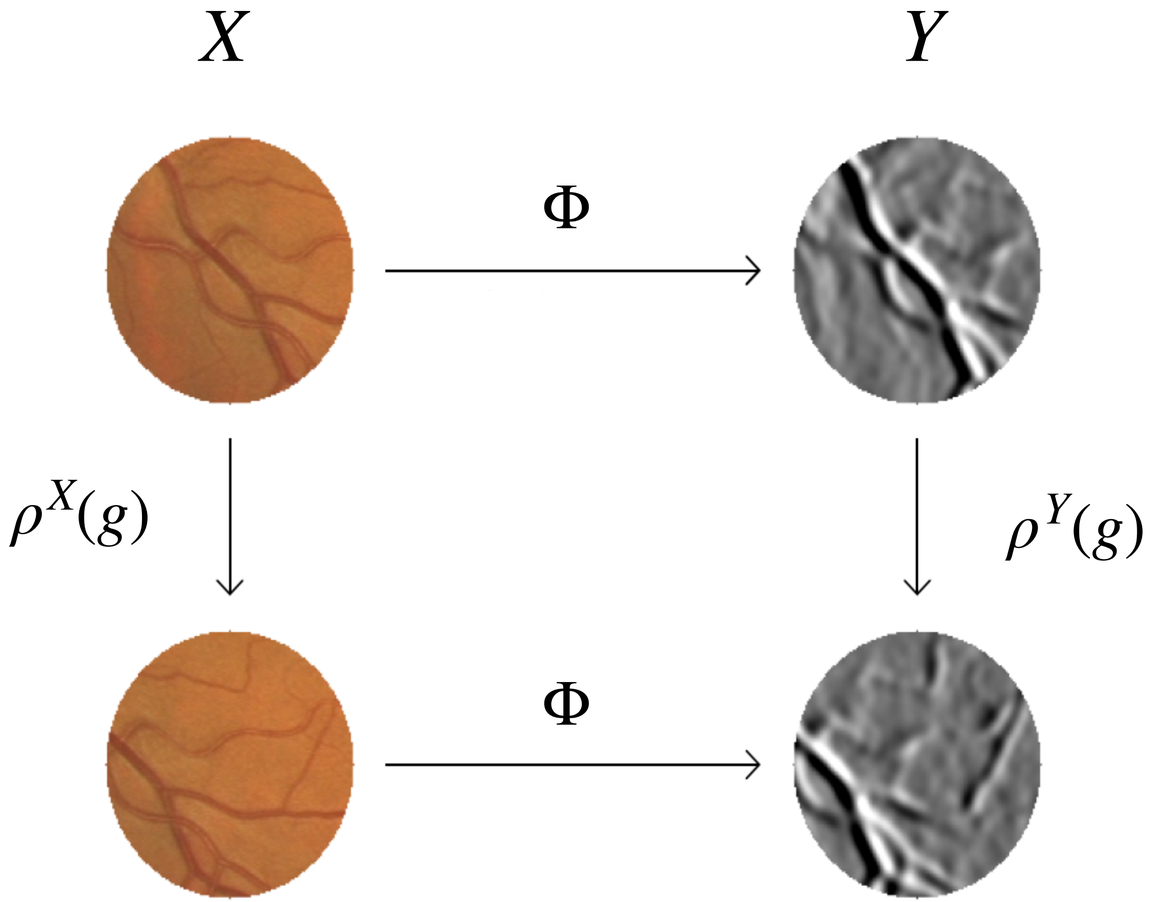

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Cross-correlations

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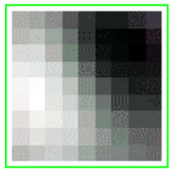

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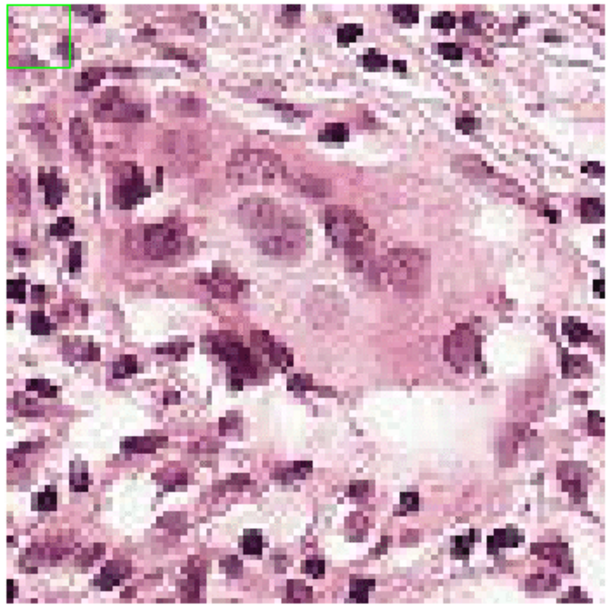

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Convolutions/cross-correlations are translation equivariant

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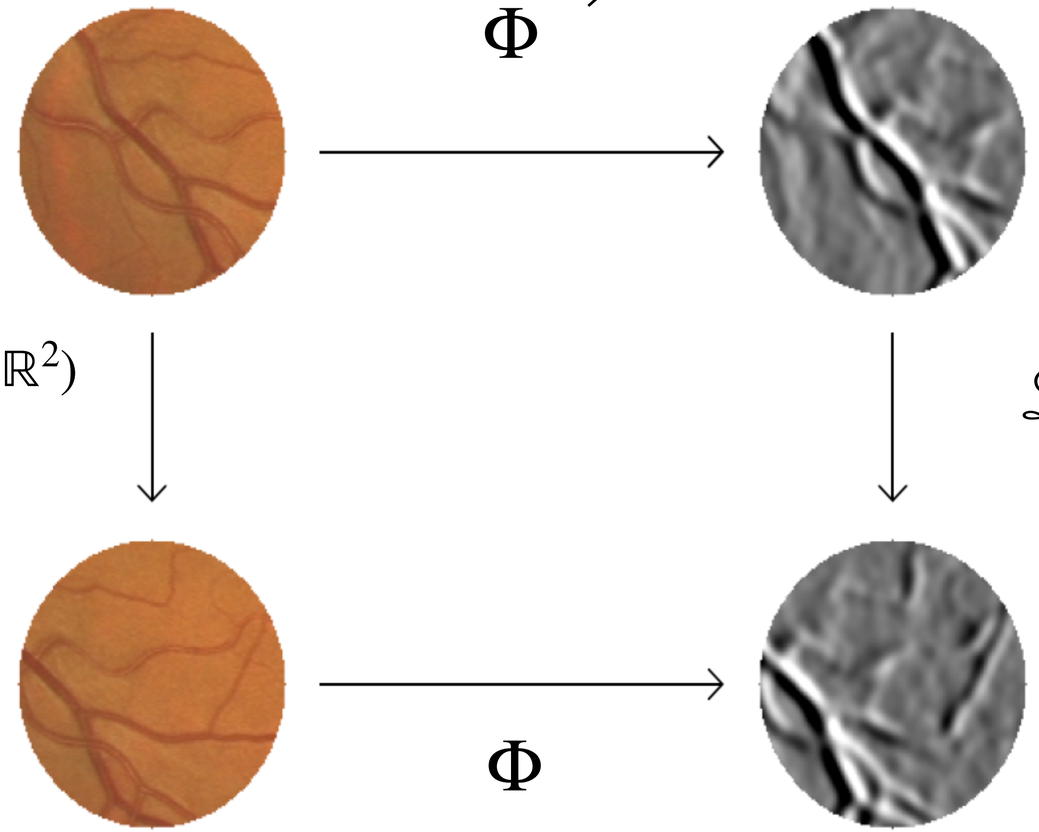

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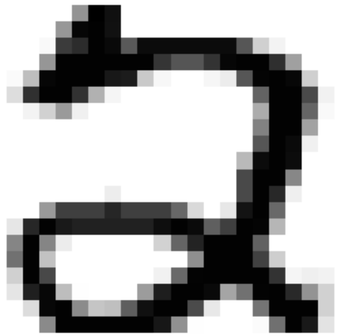

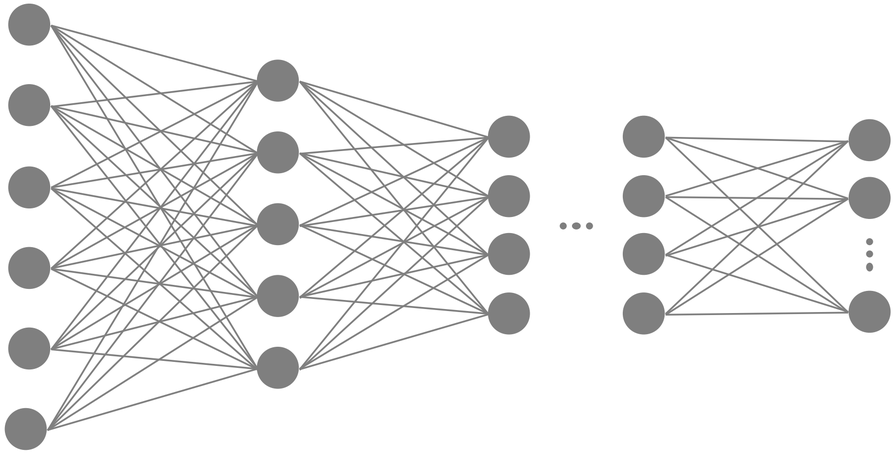

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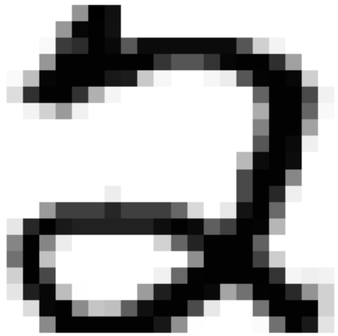

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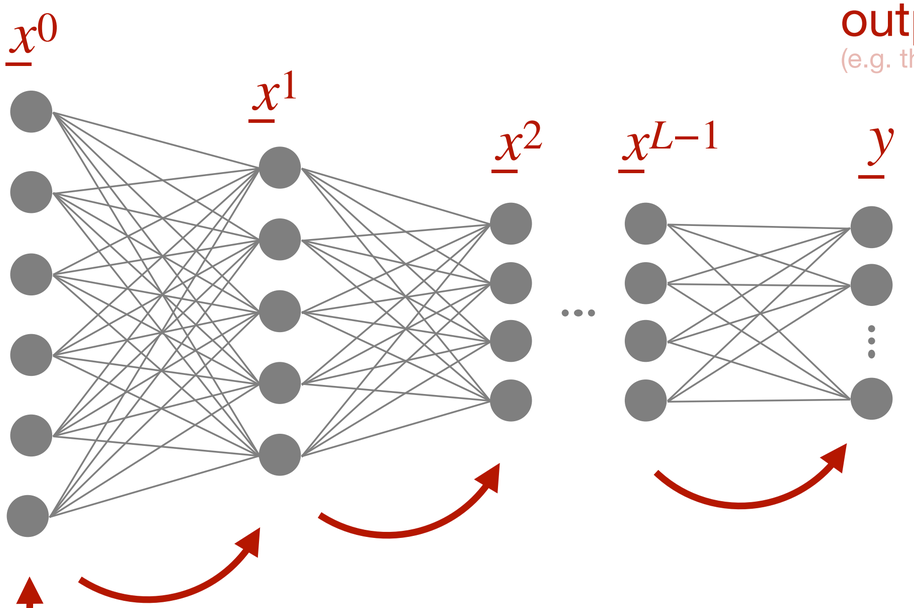

output probability vector
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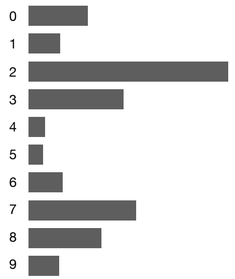

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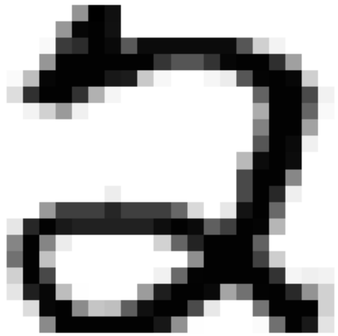

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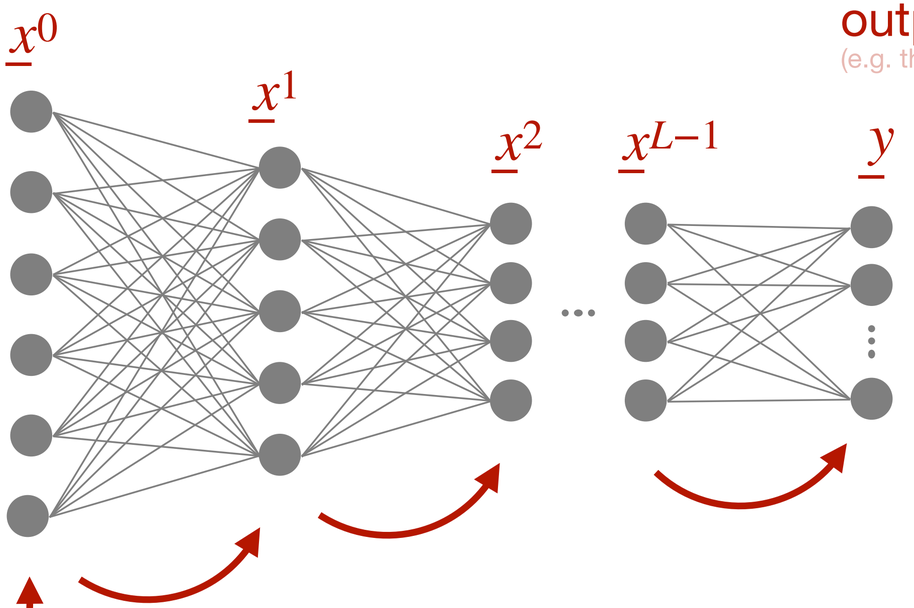

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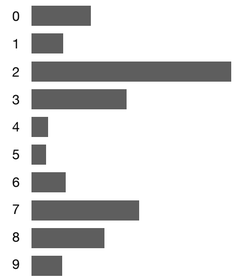

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Iteratively transform the vector via

$$\underline{x}^l = \varphi(K_{\mathbf{w}_l}\underline{x}^{l-1} + \underline{b}^l)$$

Linear map: matrix-vector multiplication with $K_{\mathbf{w}_l} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^l \times N^{l-1}}$

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Convolution: special case of fully connected layer

- Way too many degrees of freedom!
- Does not leverage/preserve structure in data

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Convolution as linear operator

+ Localized transformations
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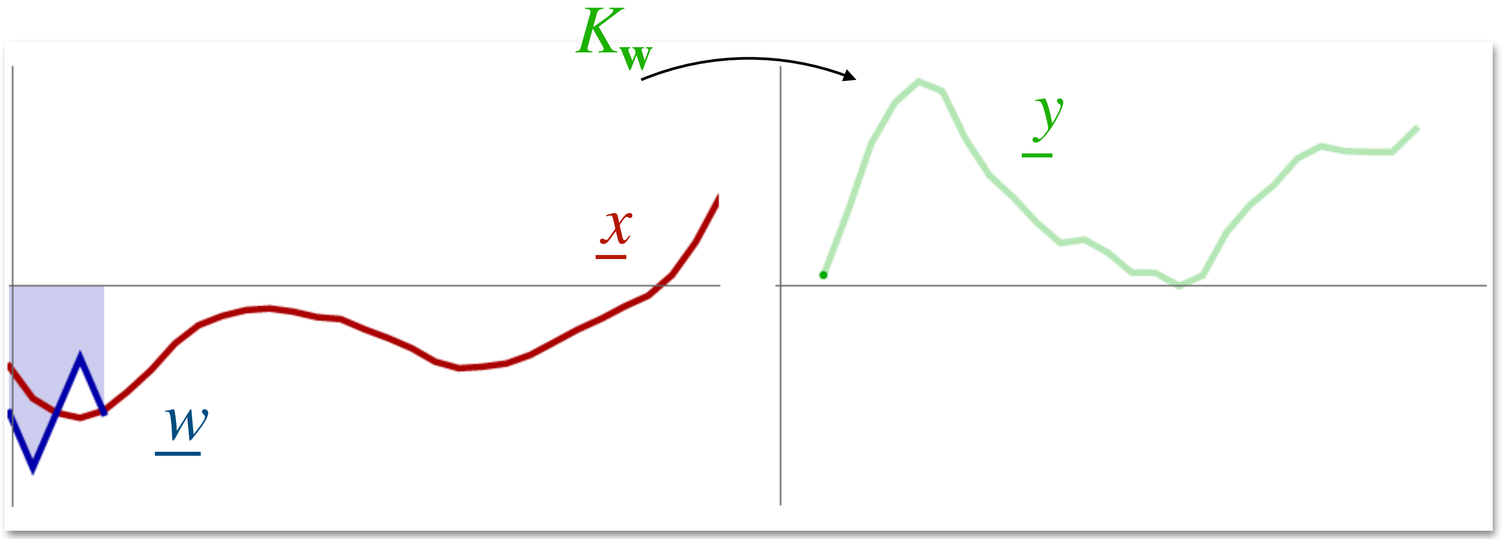

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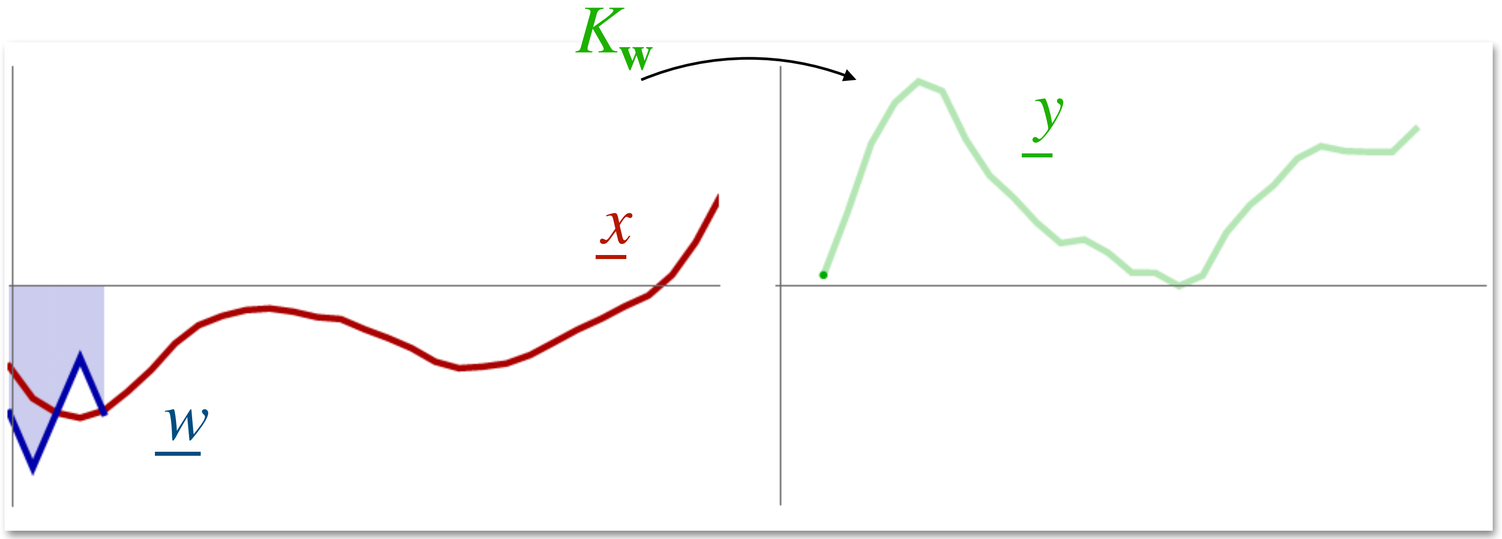

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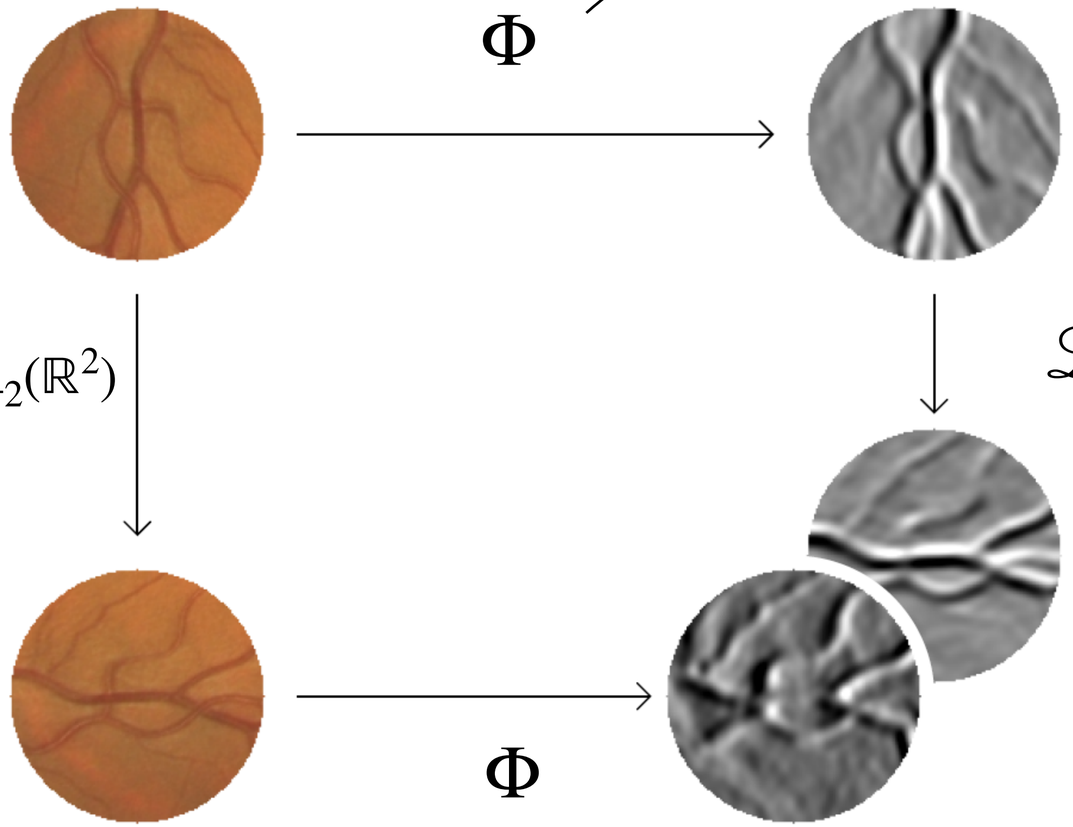

$\mathscr{L}^{SO(2) \to \mathbb{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)}_{\theta}$

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Representation of the rotation group

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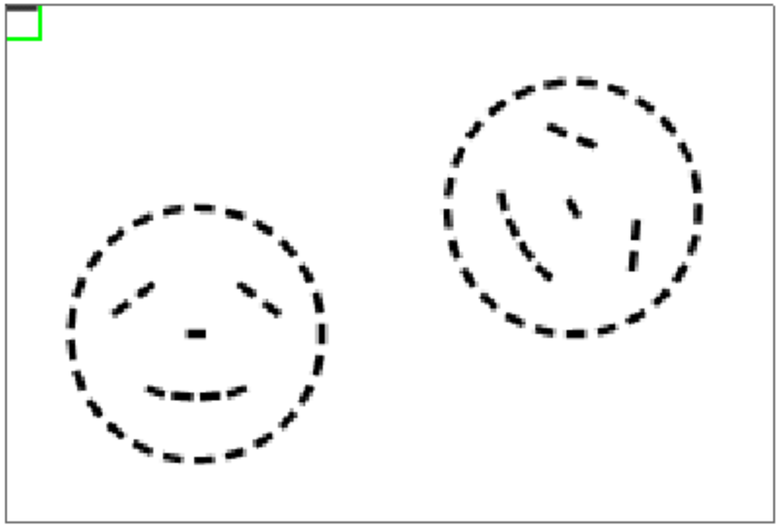

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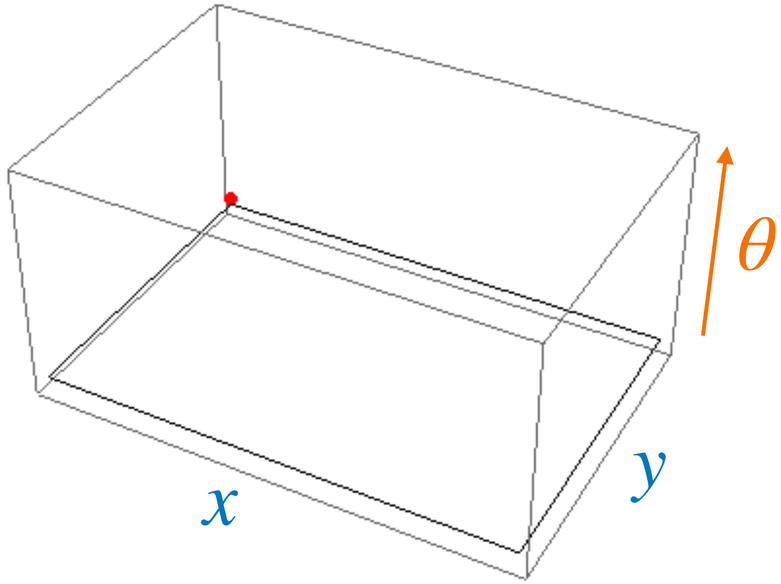

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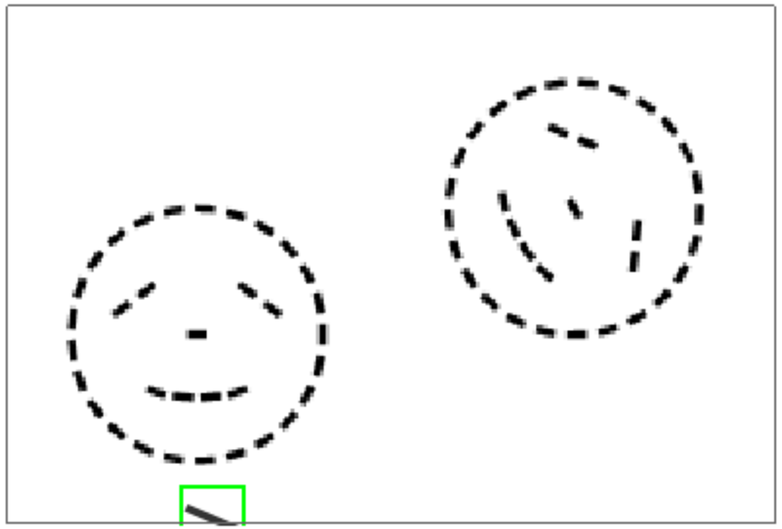

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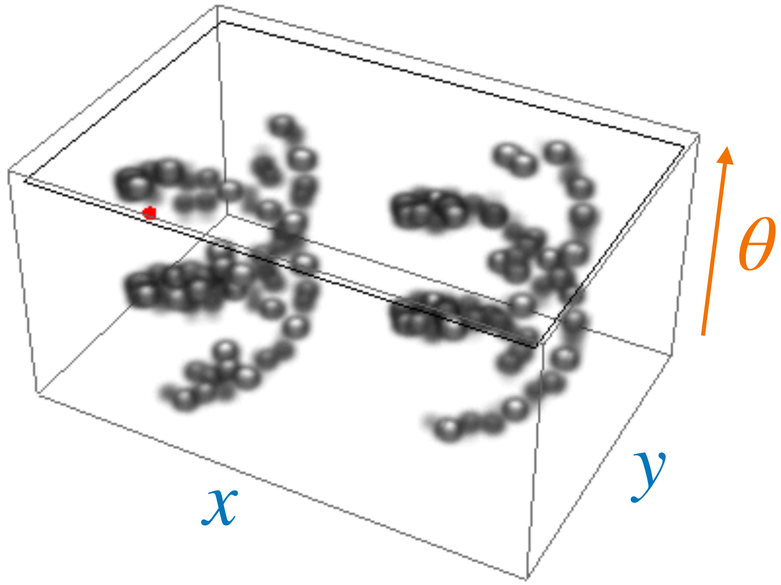

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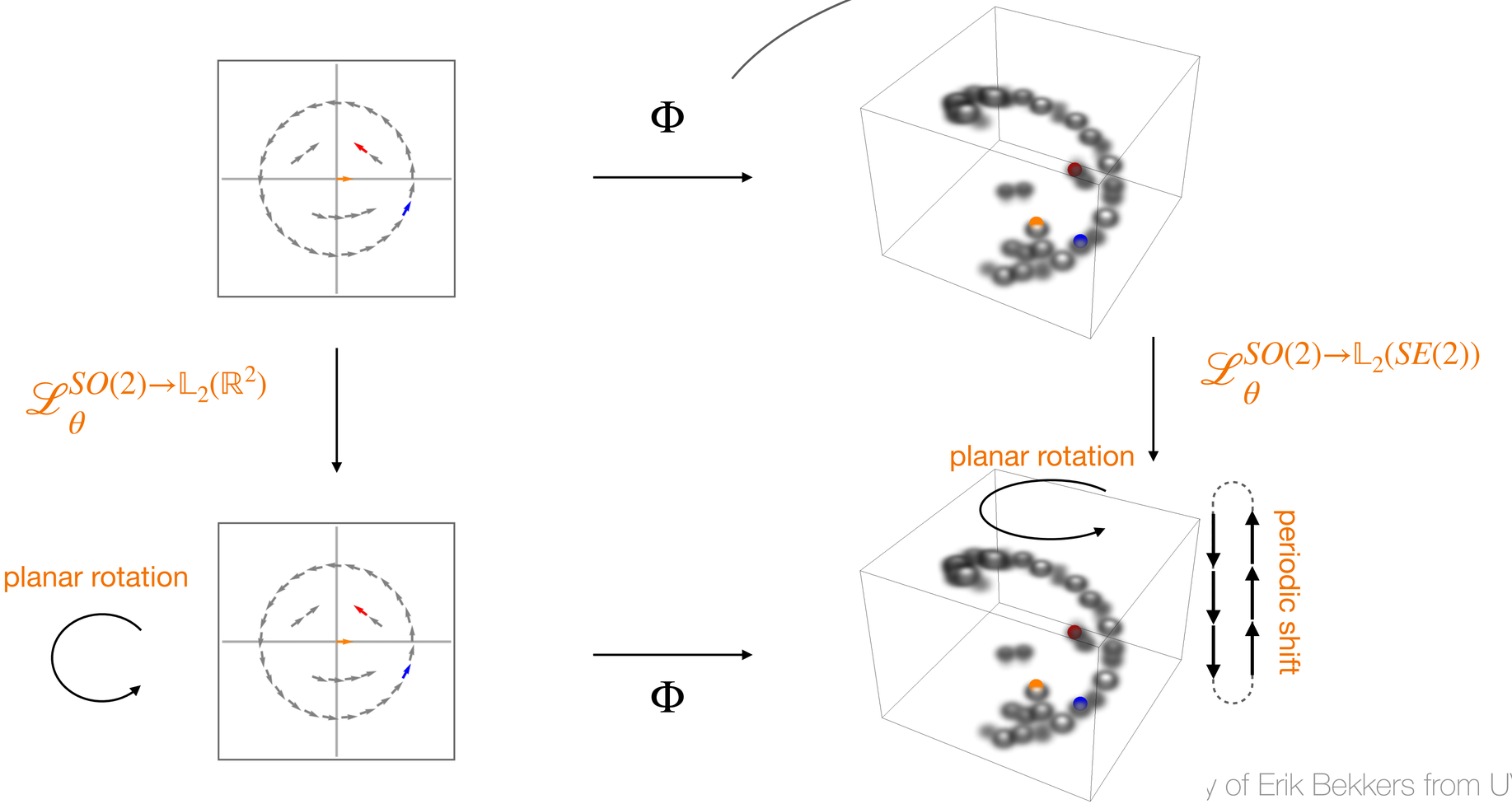

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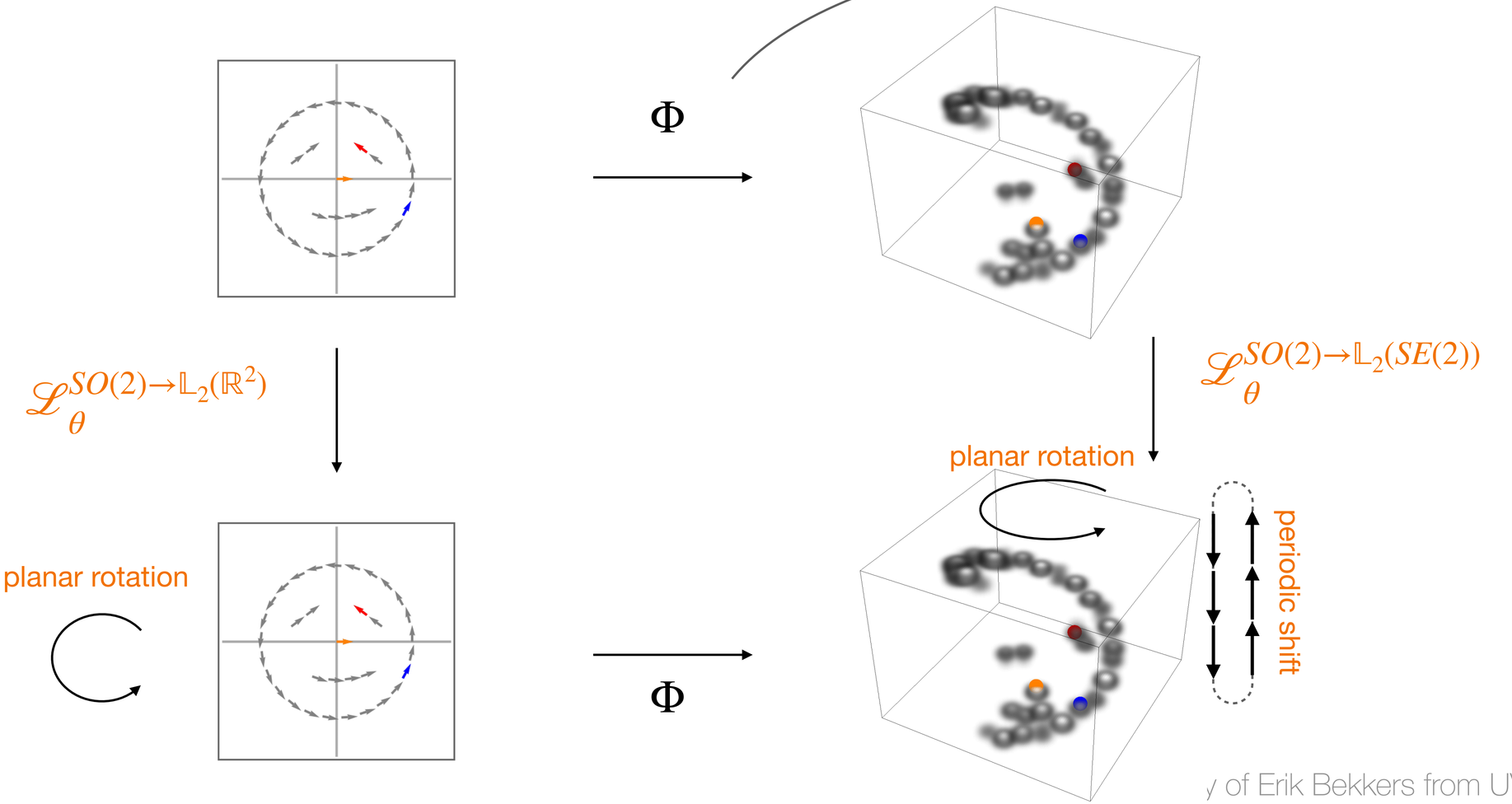

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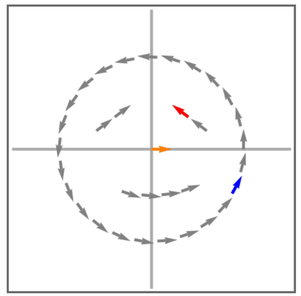

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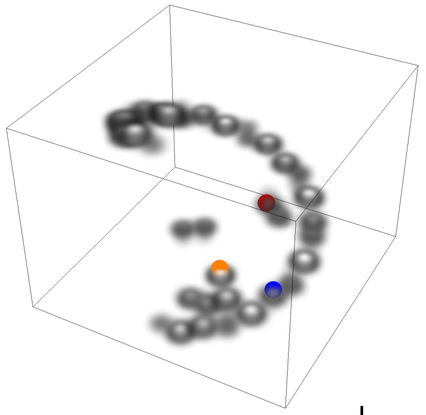

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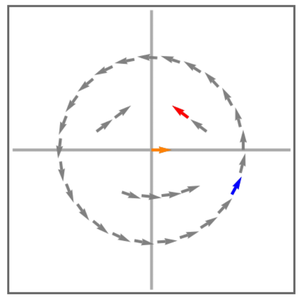
planar rotation



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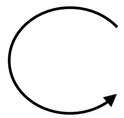

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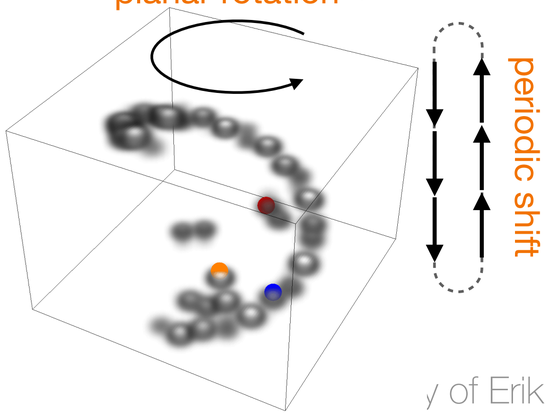

periodic shift

What about subsequent layers?

SE(2) equivariant cross-correlations

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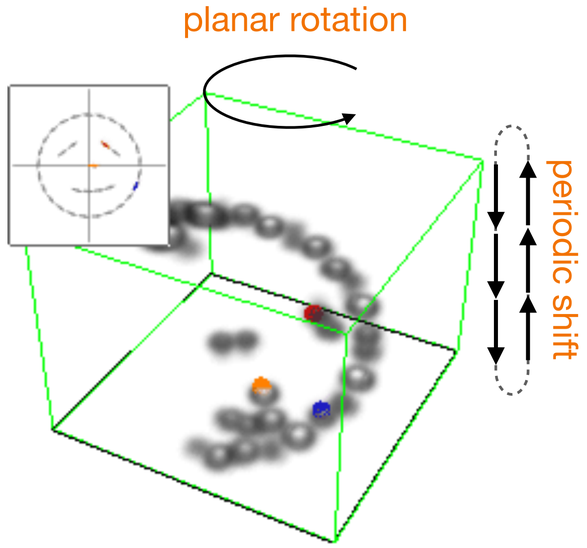

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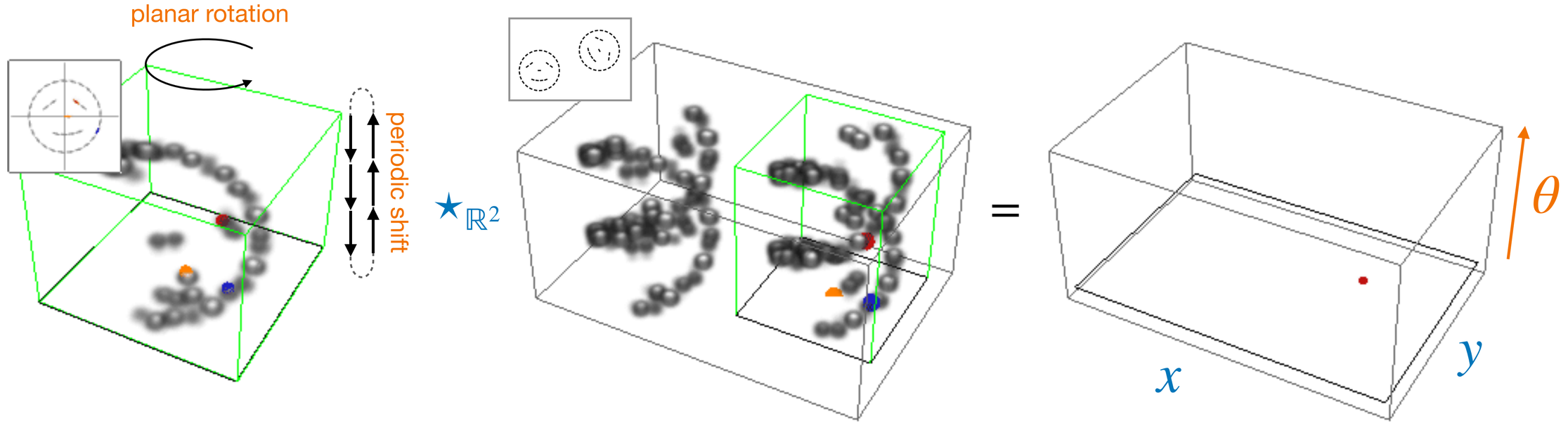

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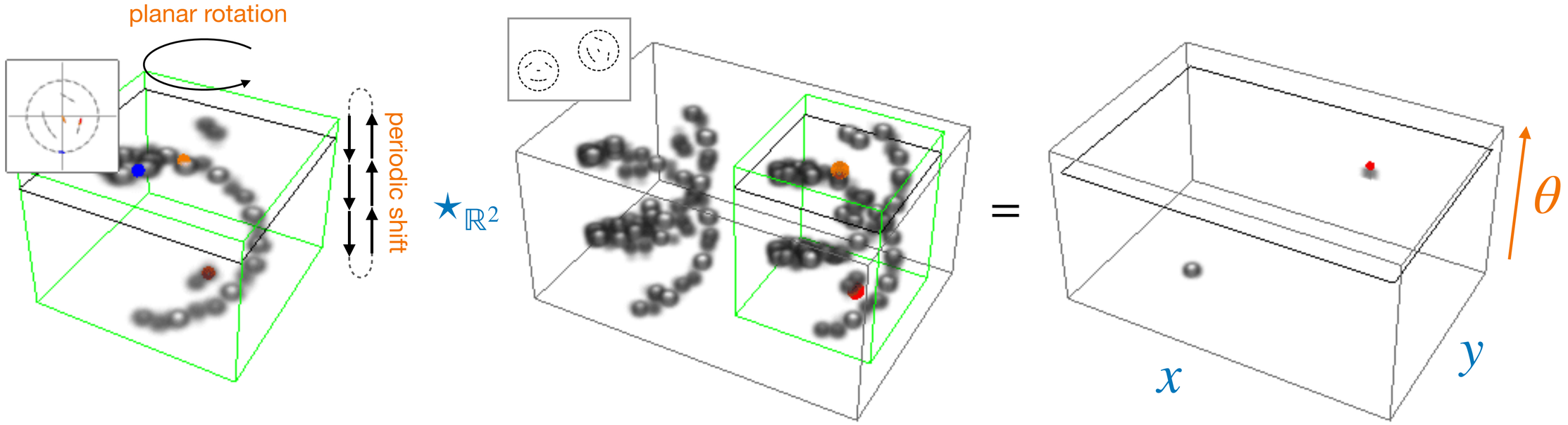

$\mathscr{L}_{\theta}^{SO(2)\to\mathbb{L}_2(SE(2)}k$
Rotated SE(2) convolution kernel

f^{in}
SE(2) feature map

f^{out}
SE(2) feature map (after ReLU)

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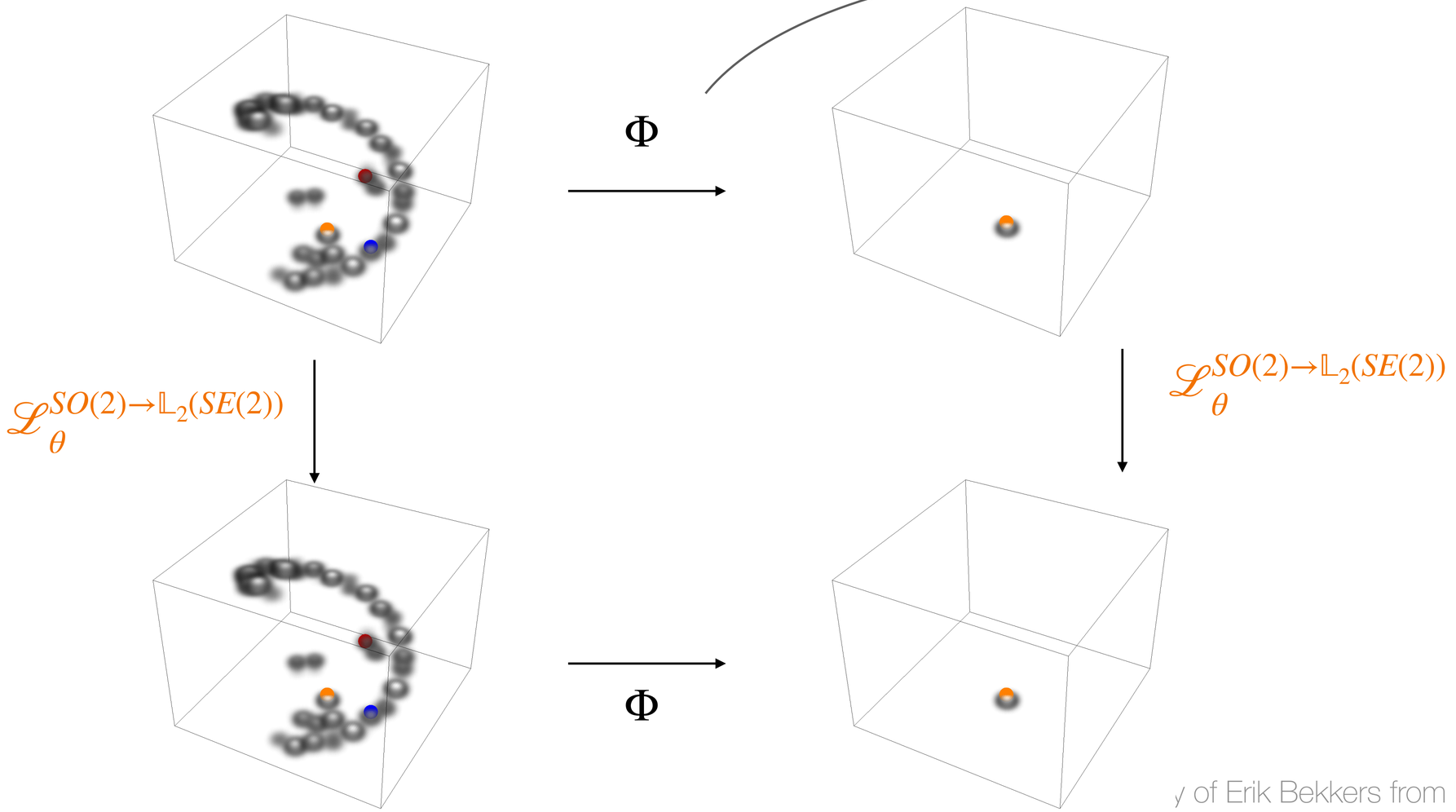

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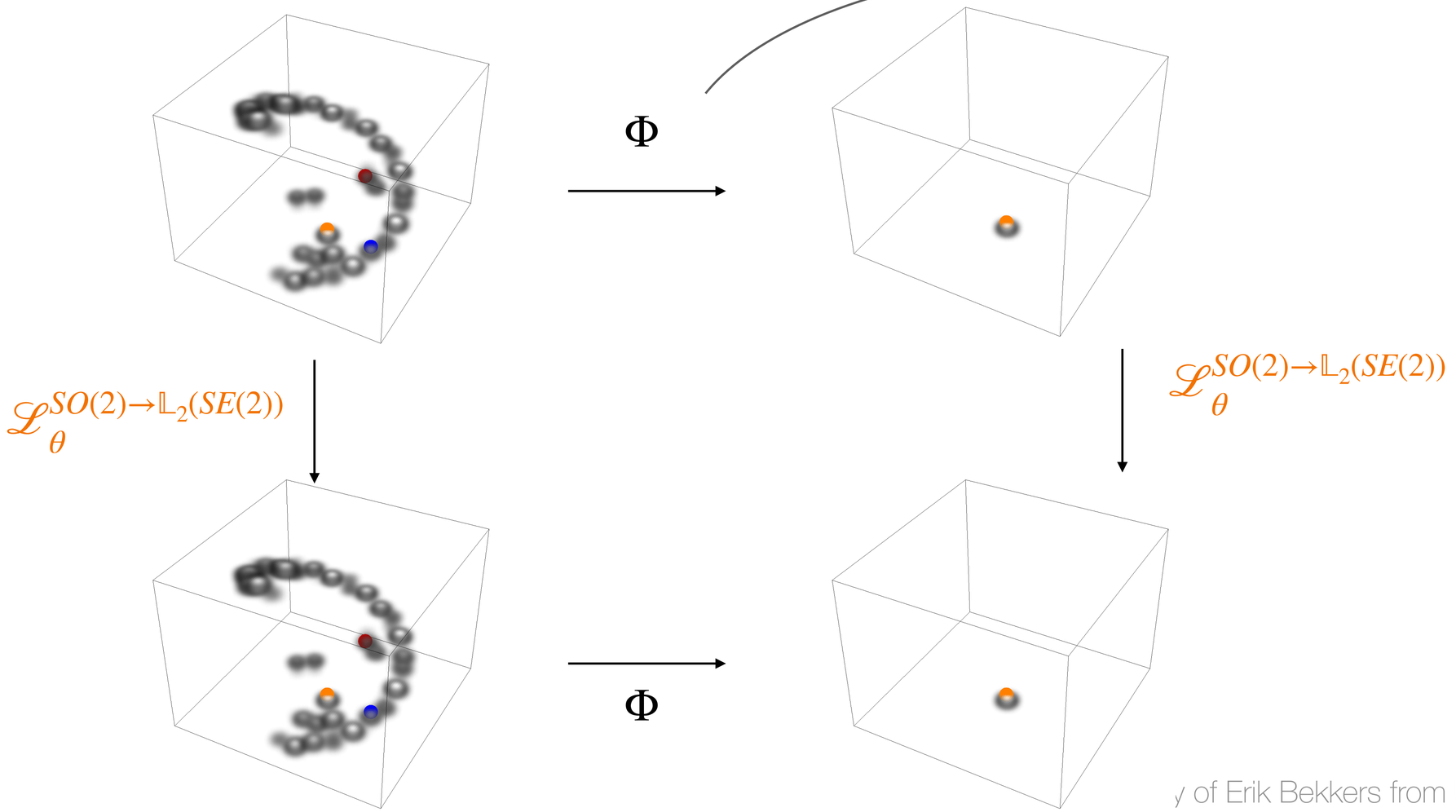

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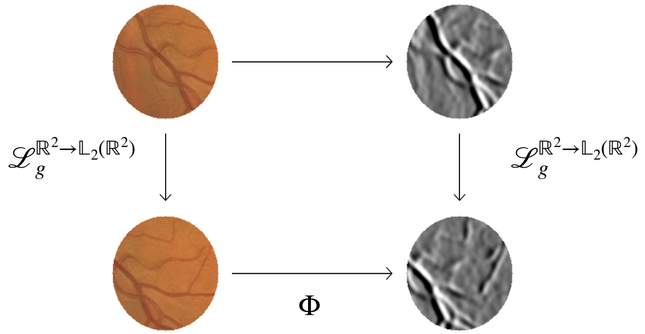

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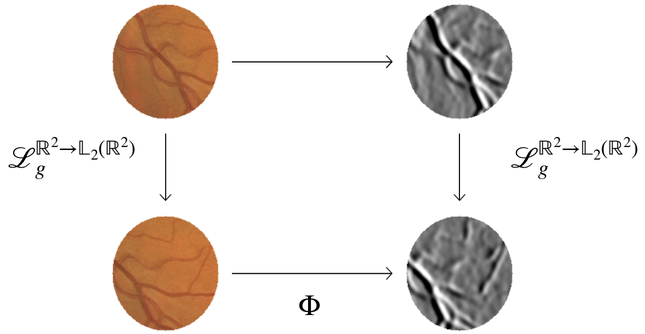

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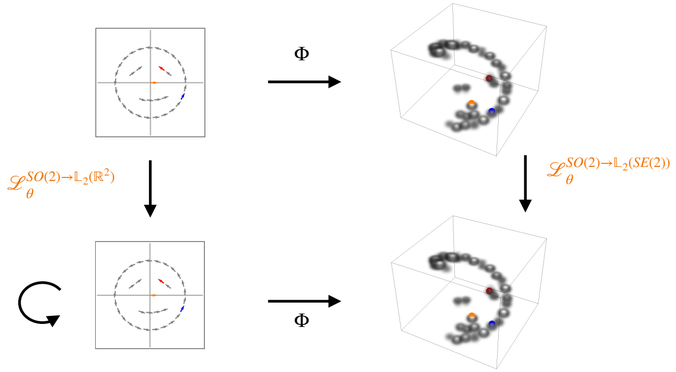

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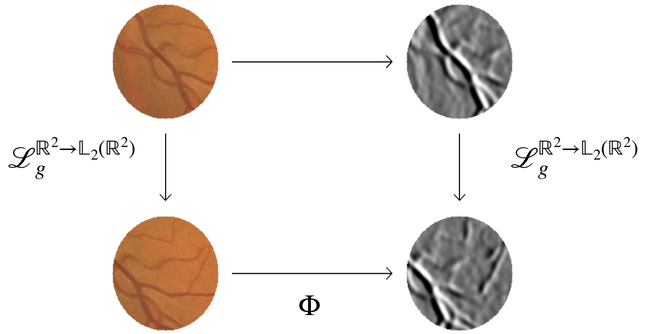

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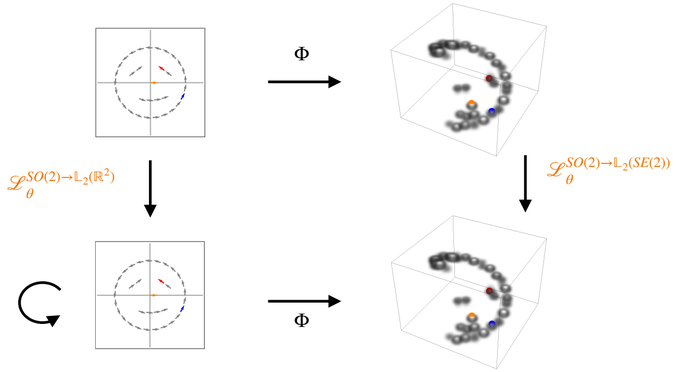

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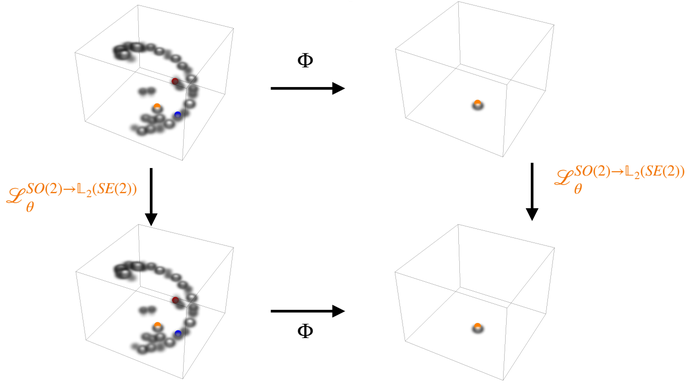

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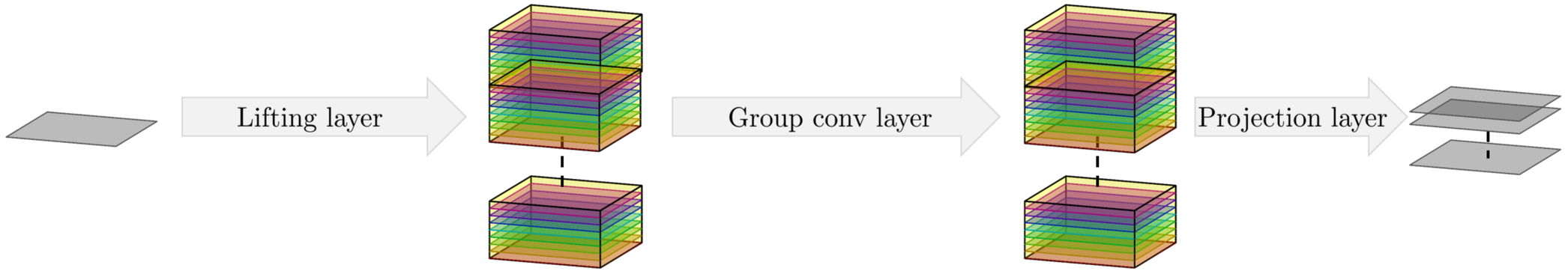

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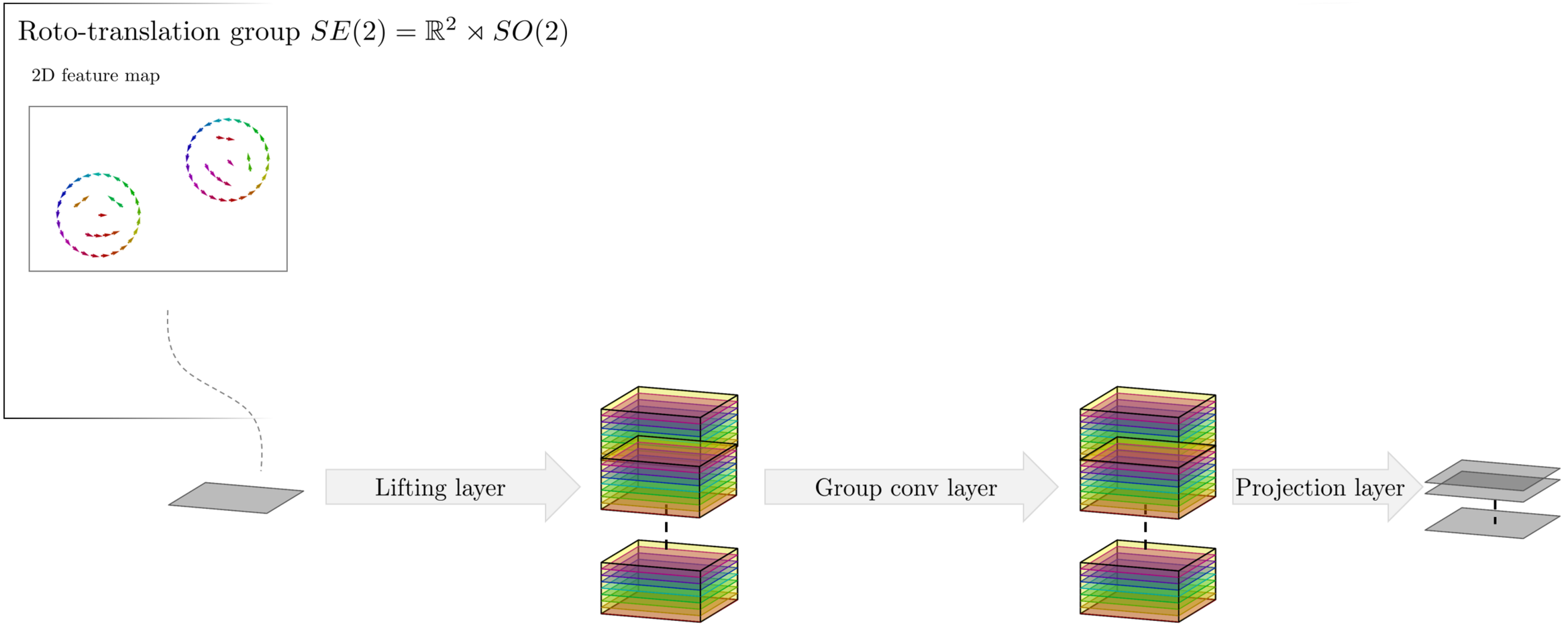

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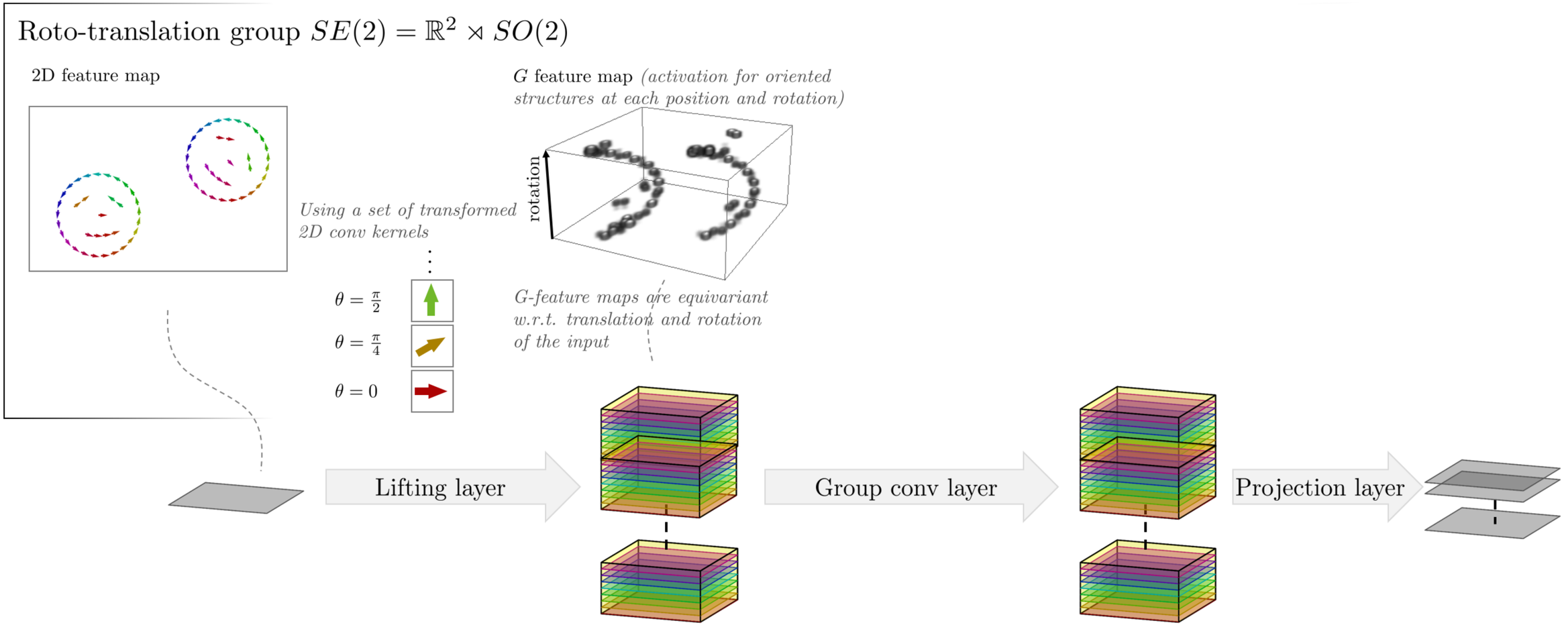

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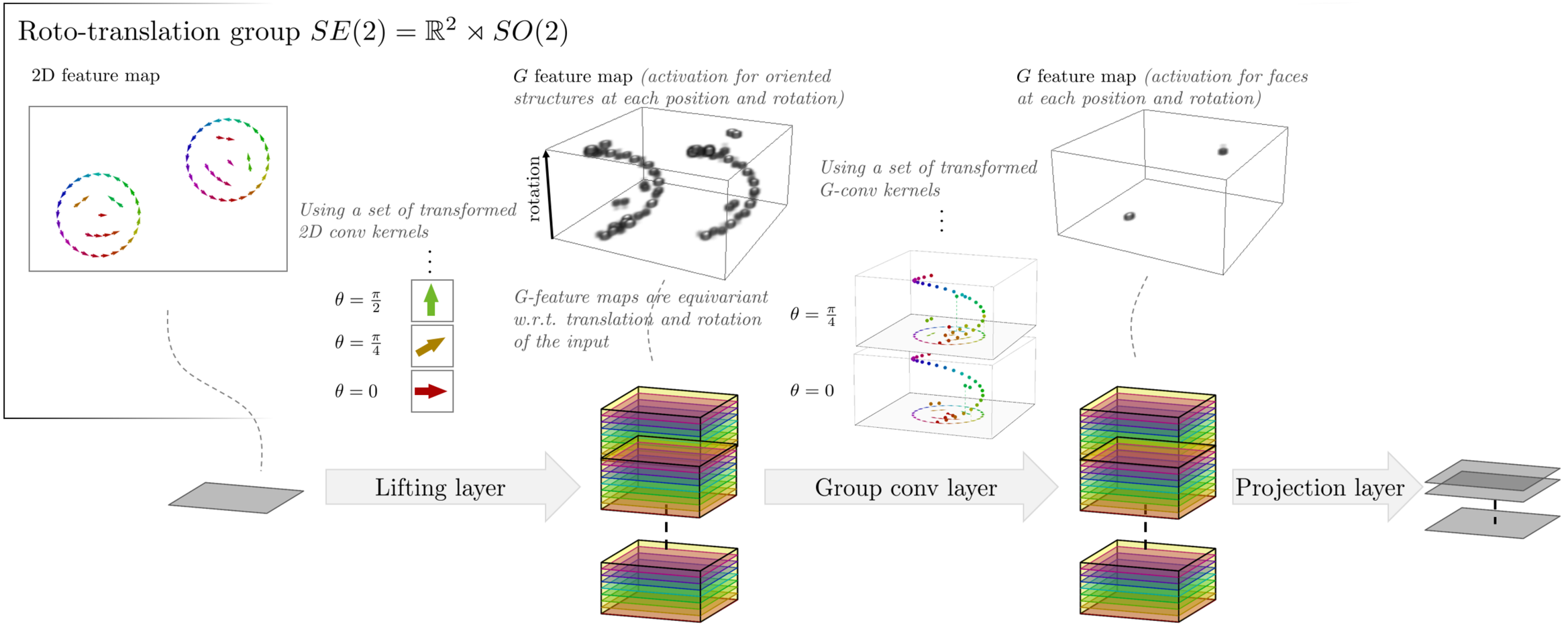

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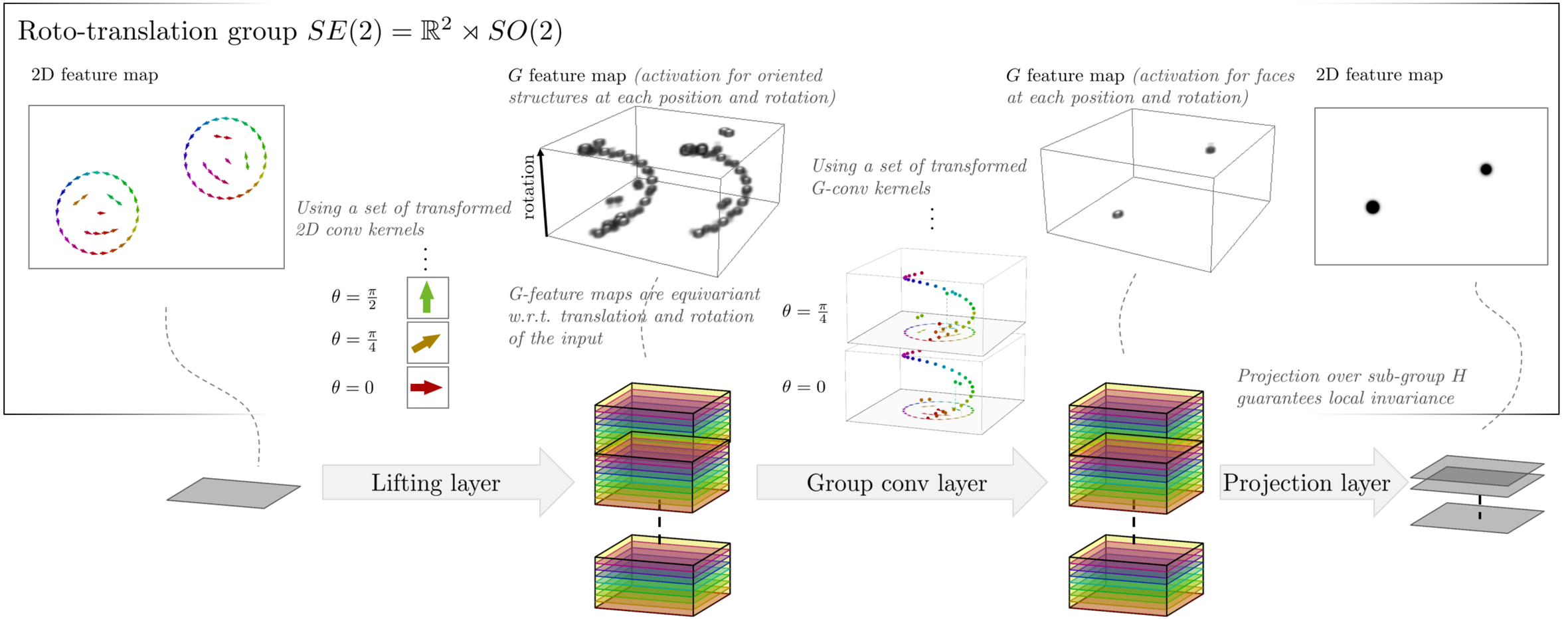
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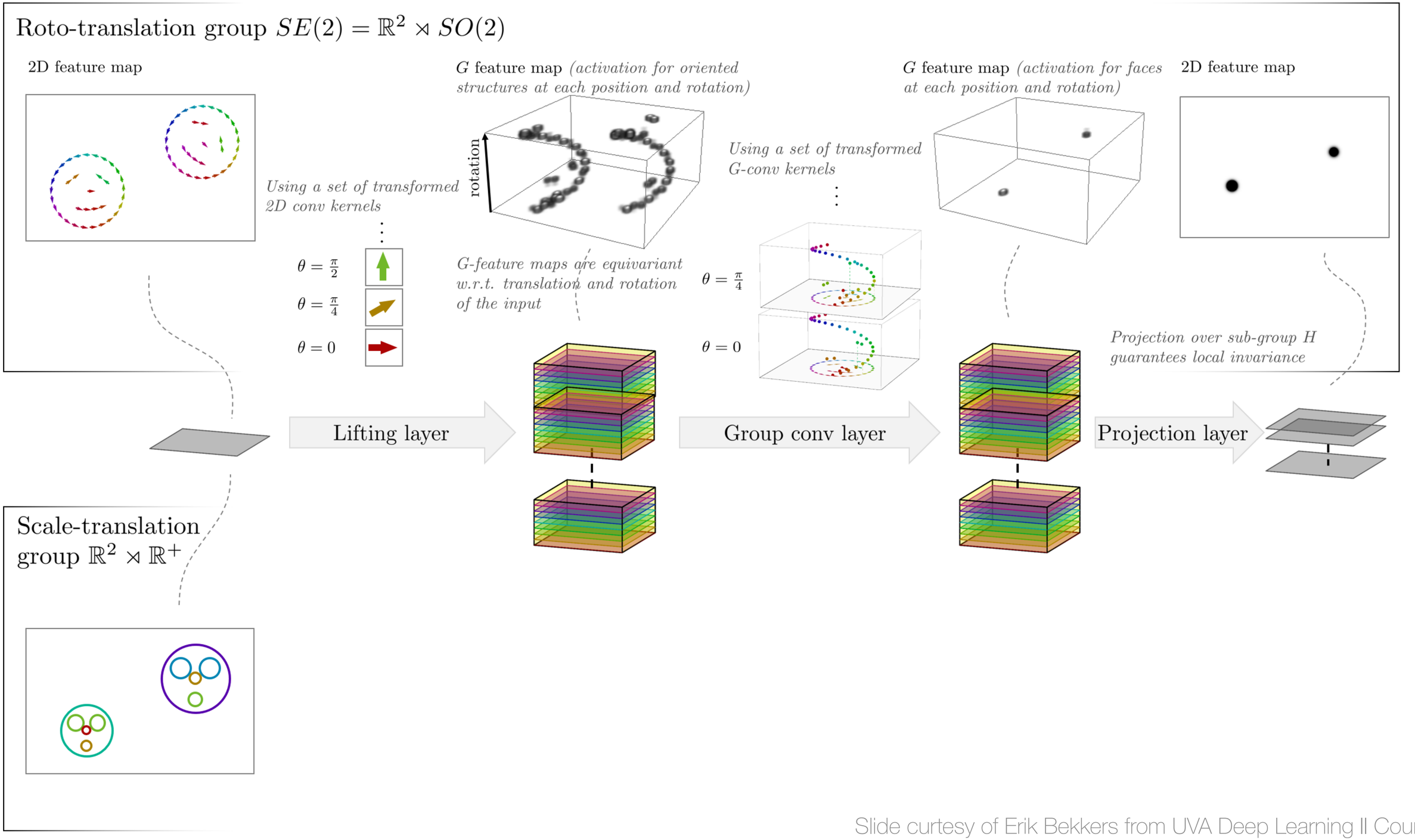
Group conv layer
Projection layer



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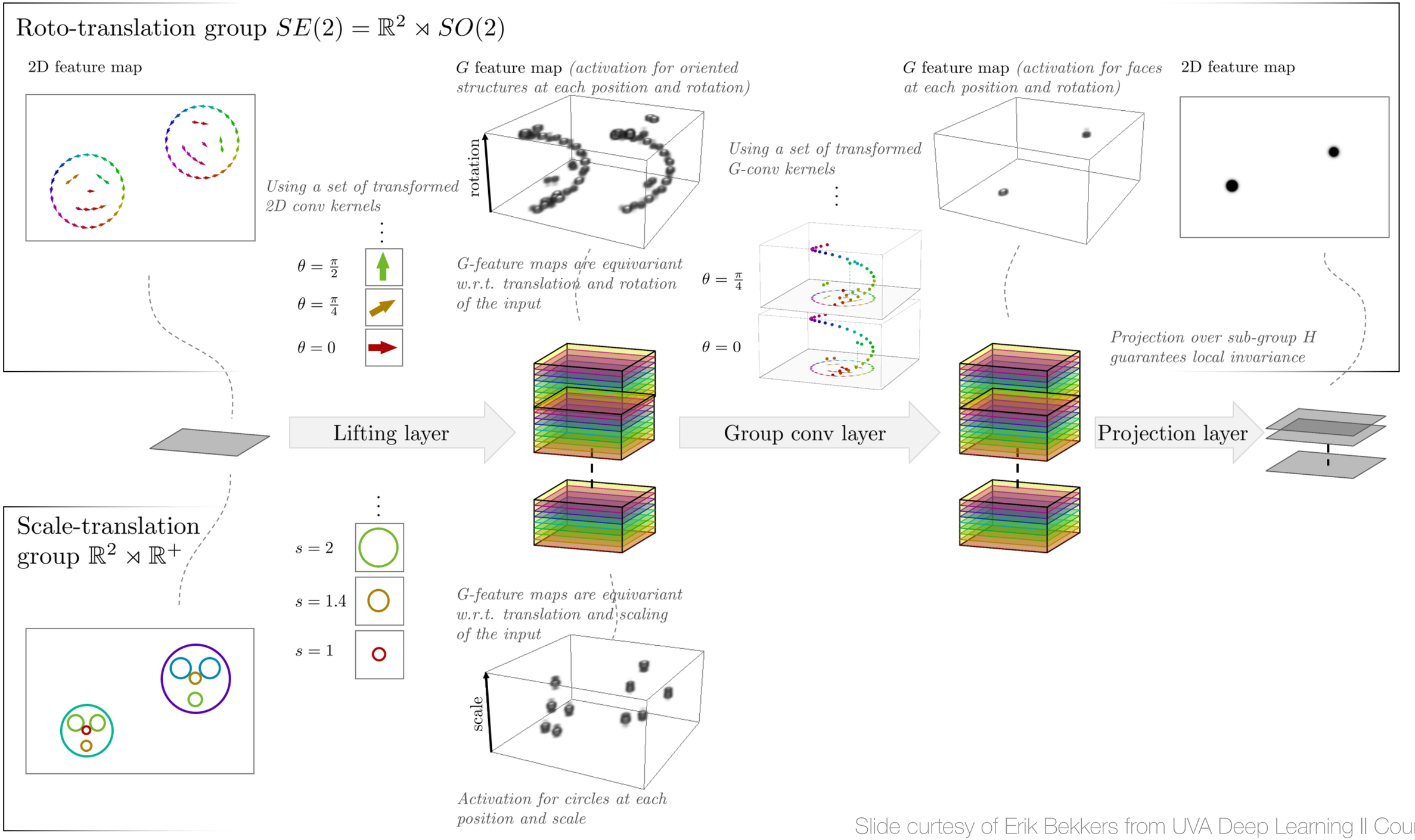

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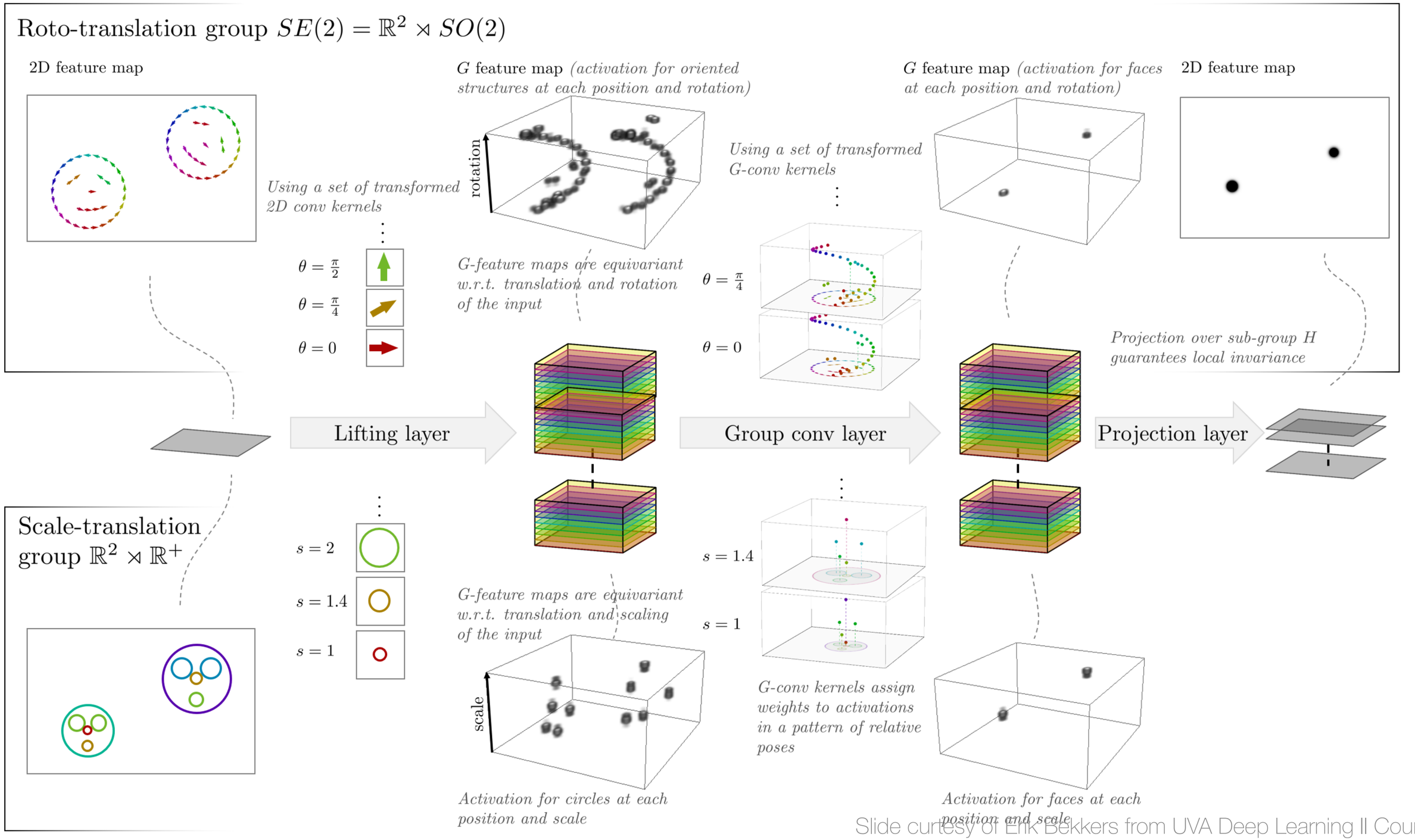

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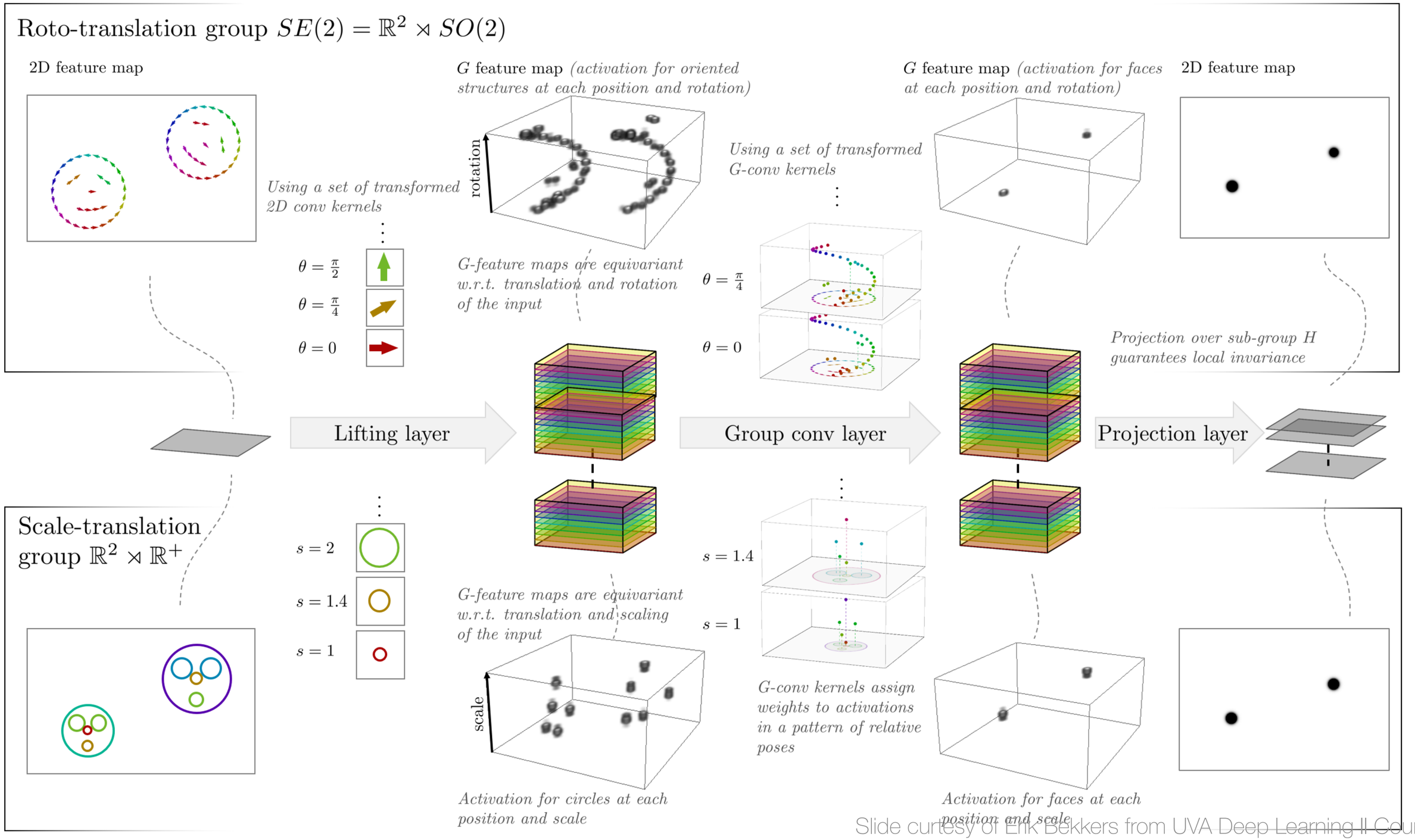

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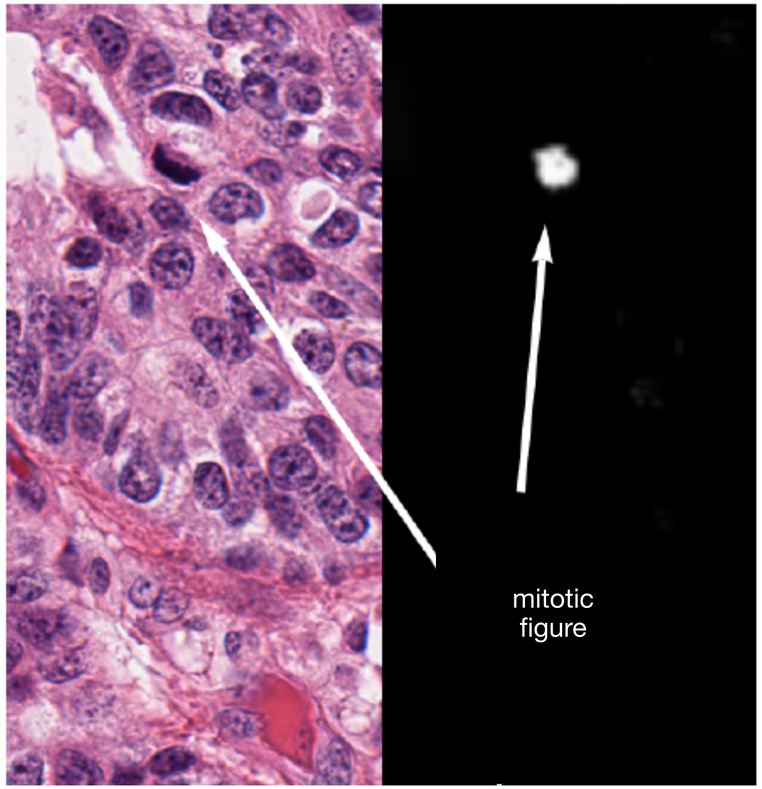
Aren’t there other kernels with this property?

Neural Networks for Signal Data



$$\mathscr{K} : \mathbb{L}_2(X)^{N_l} \to \mathbb{L}_2(Y)^{N_{l+1}}$$

Let's build neural networks for signal data via the layers of the form:

$$\underline{f}^{l+1} = \sigma(\mathscr{K}\,\underline{f}^{l} + \mathbf{b}^{l})$$

The linear map has to be an integral transform with a two-argument kernel
(Dunford-Pettis theorem)

$$(\mathscr{K}f)(y) = \int_X \mathbf{k}(y,x)\underline{f}(x)\mathrm{d}x$$

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Isotropic/Constraint convolutions on spaces of lower dimension than G, $\forall_{h \in H} : k(hx) = k(x)$

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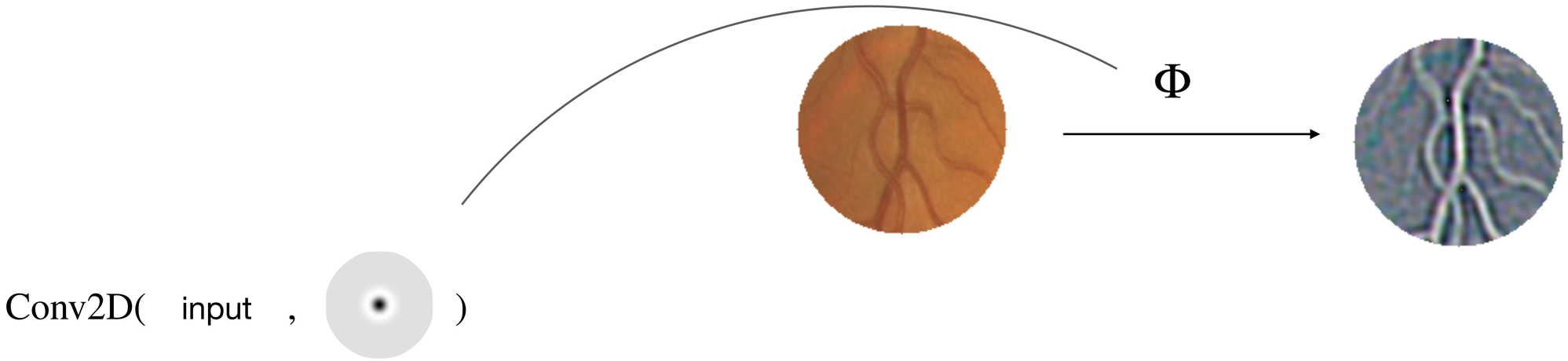

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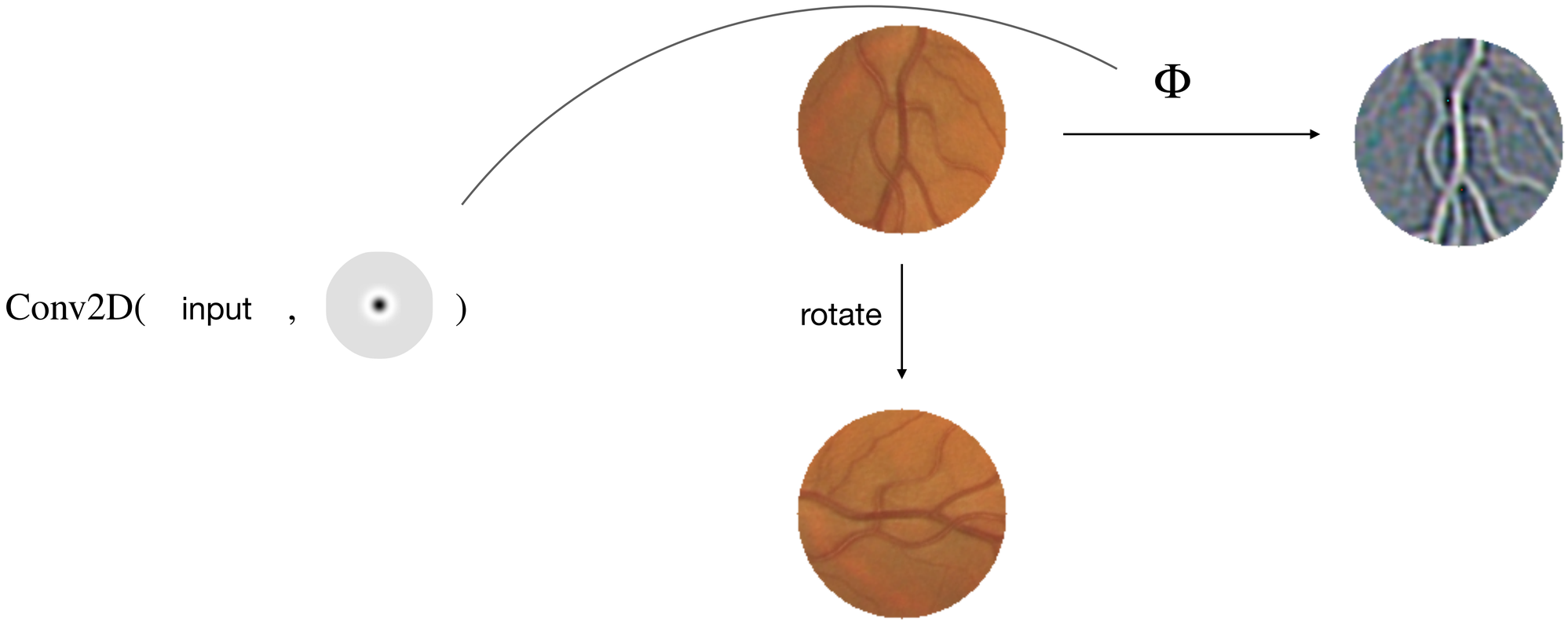

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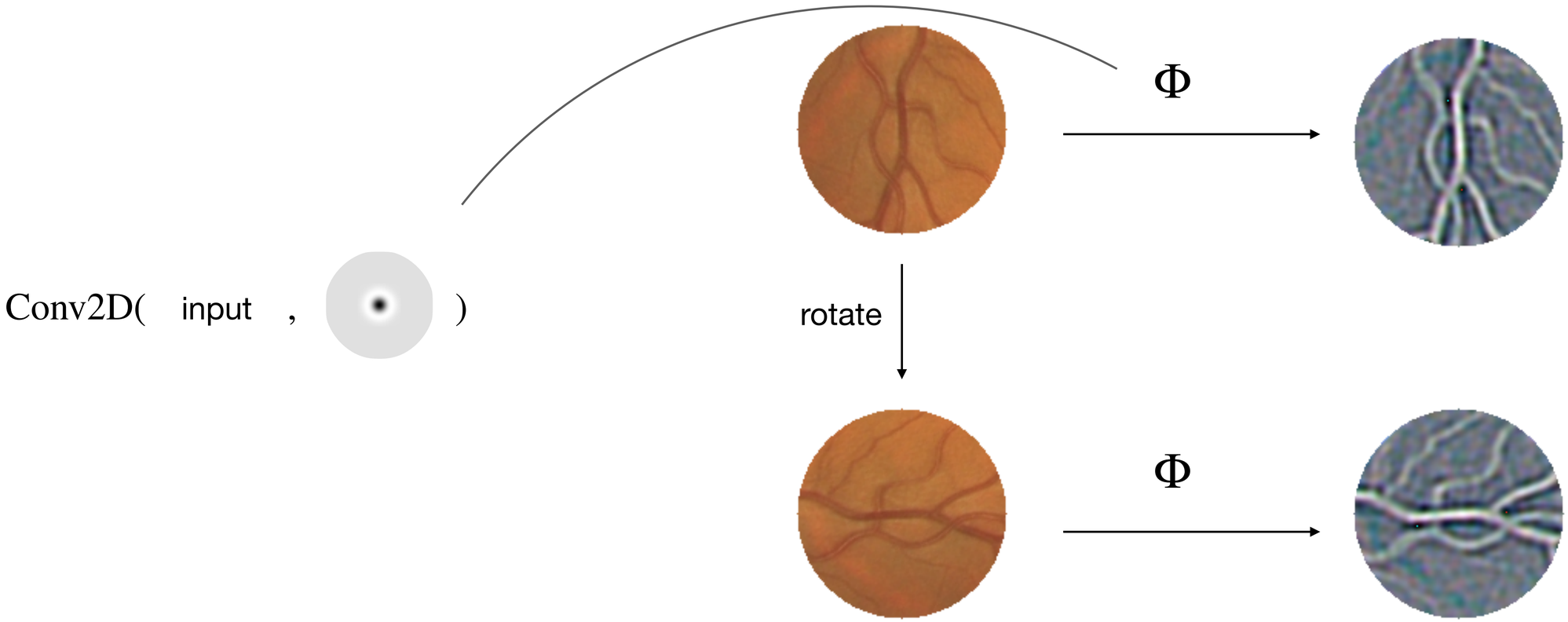

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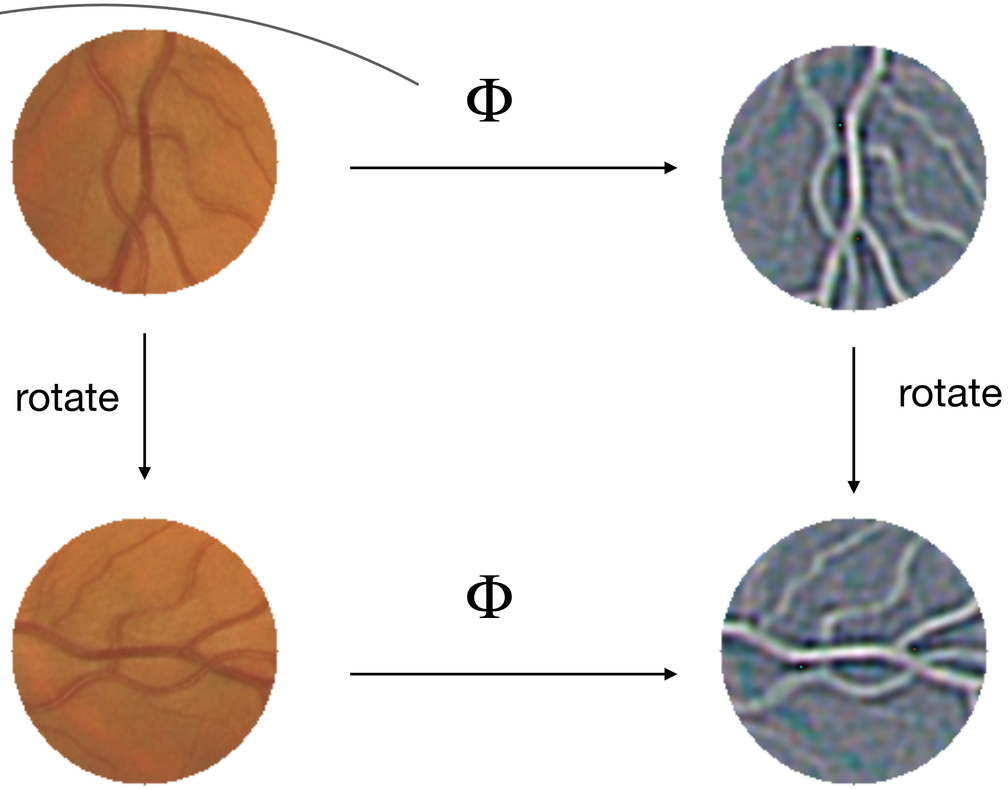

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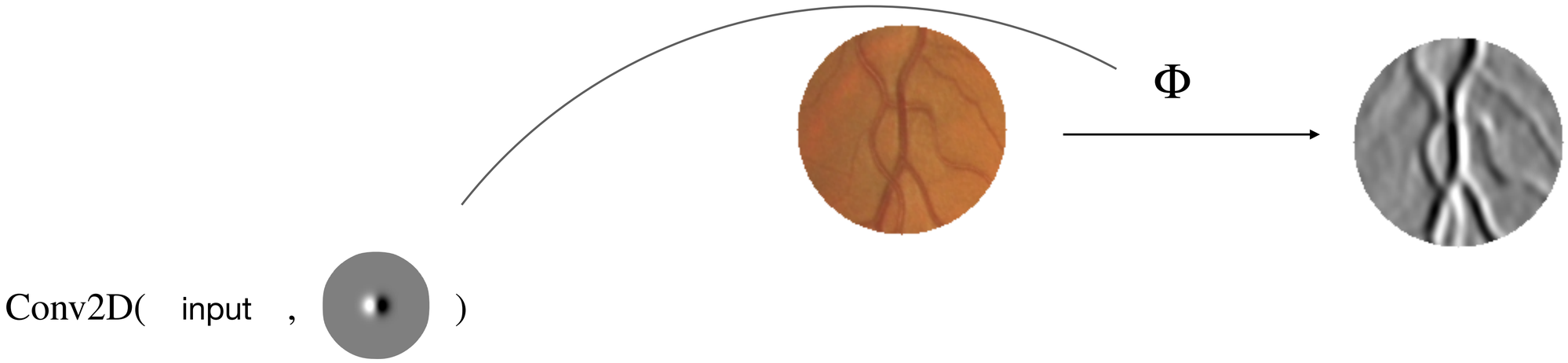

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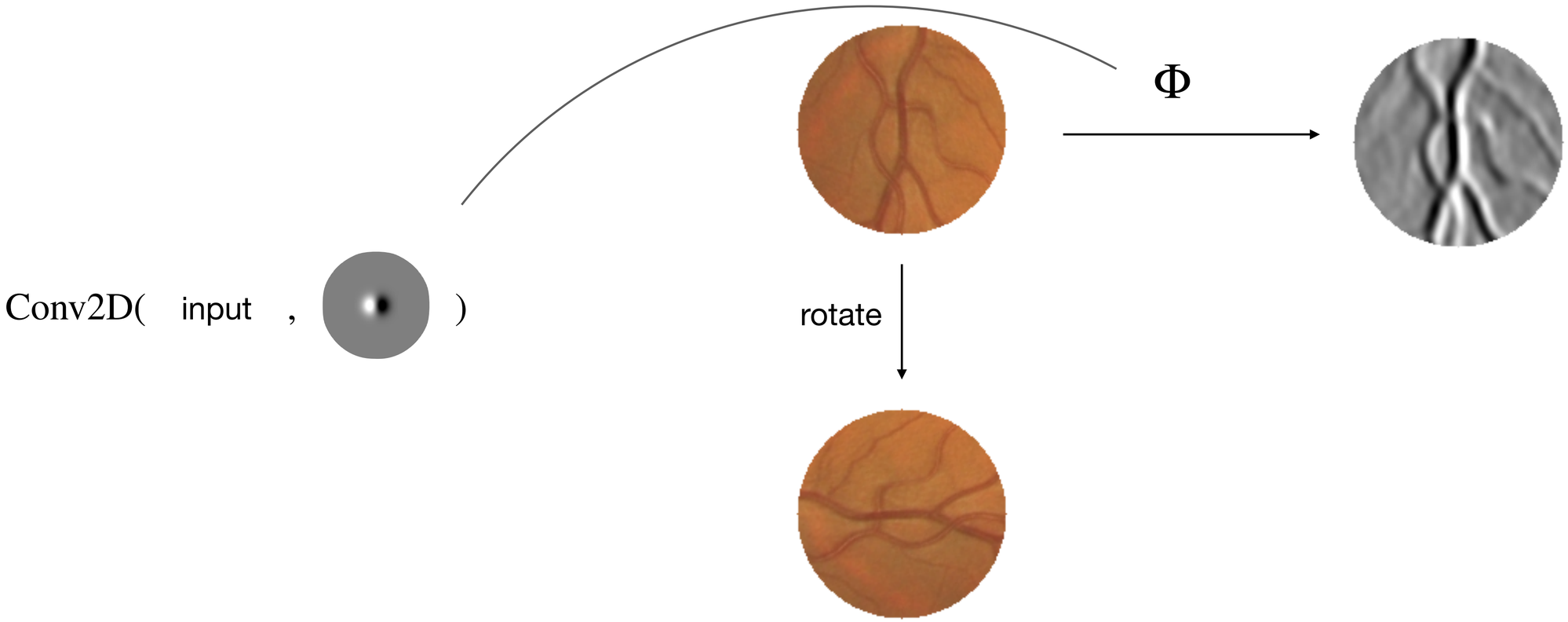

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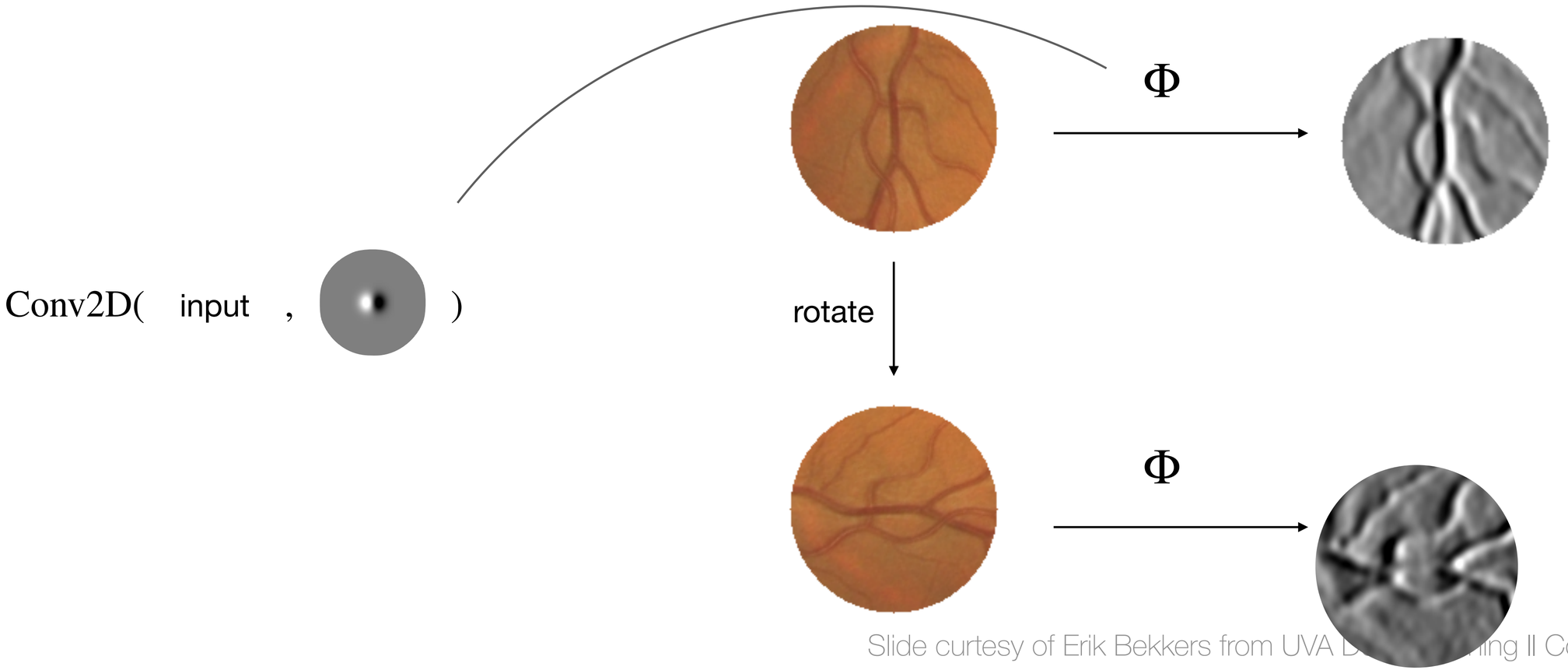

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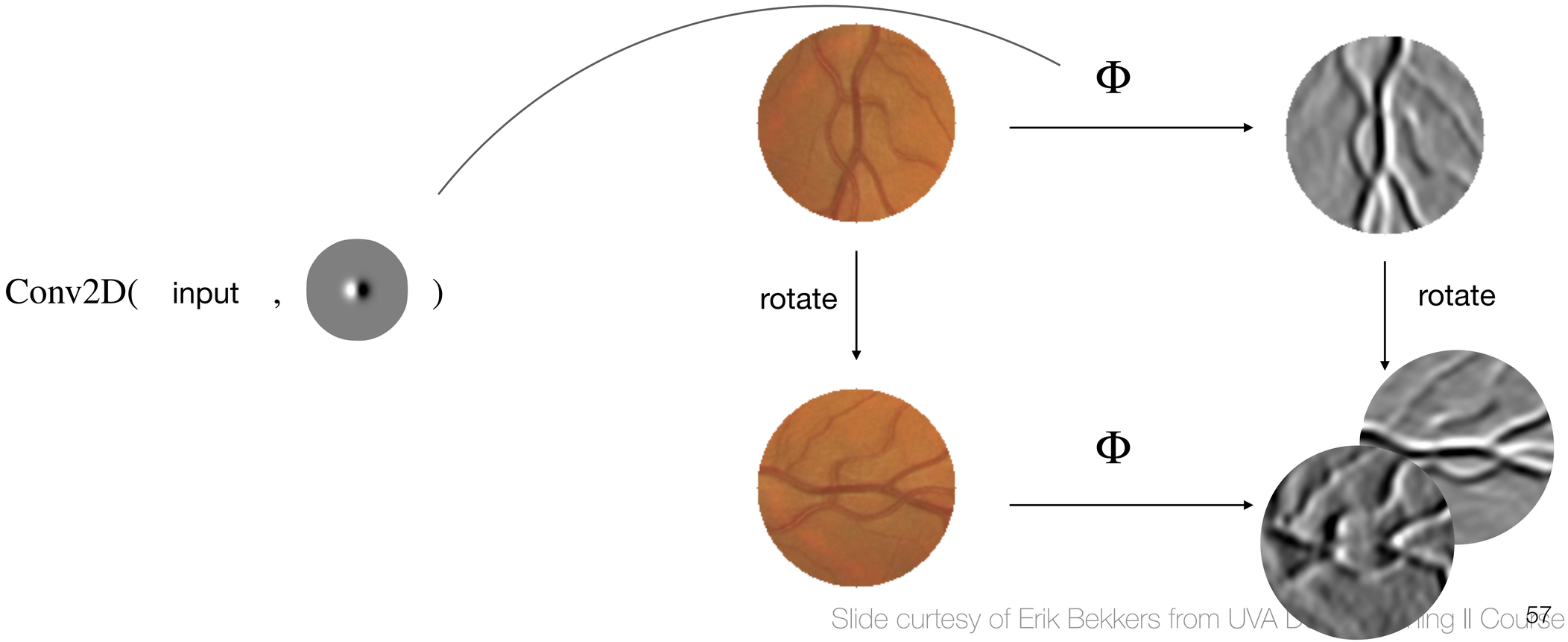

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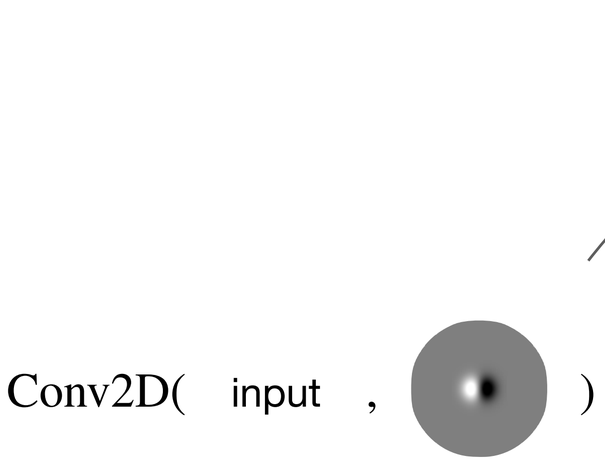

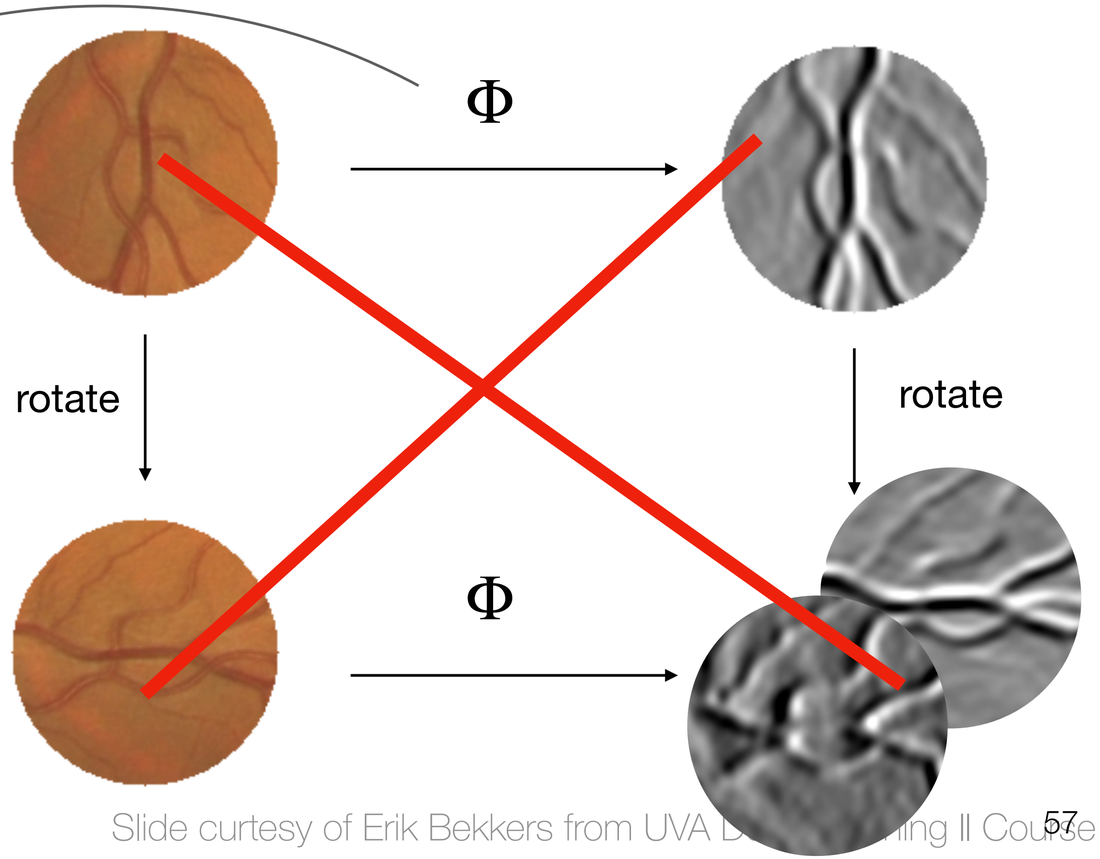

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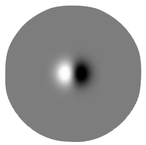
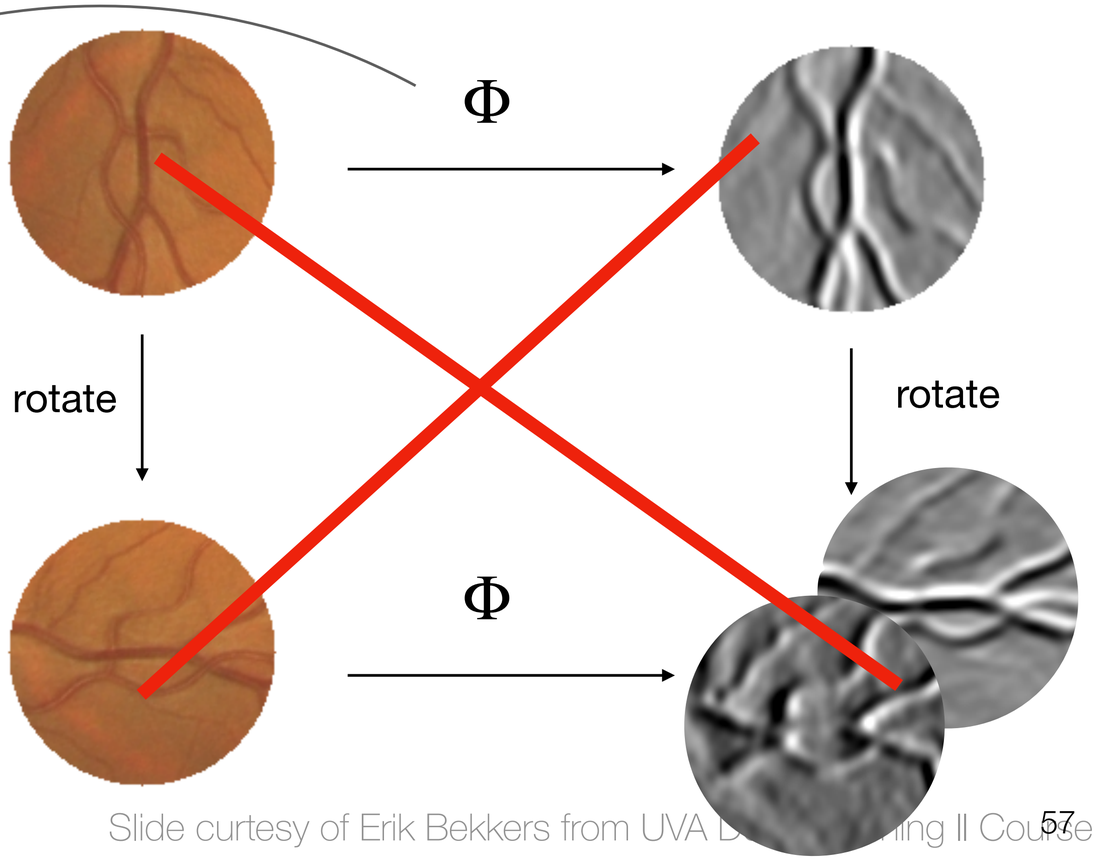
Conv2D(input , )



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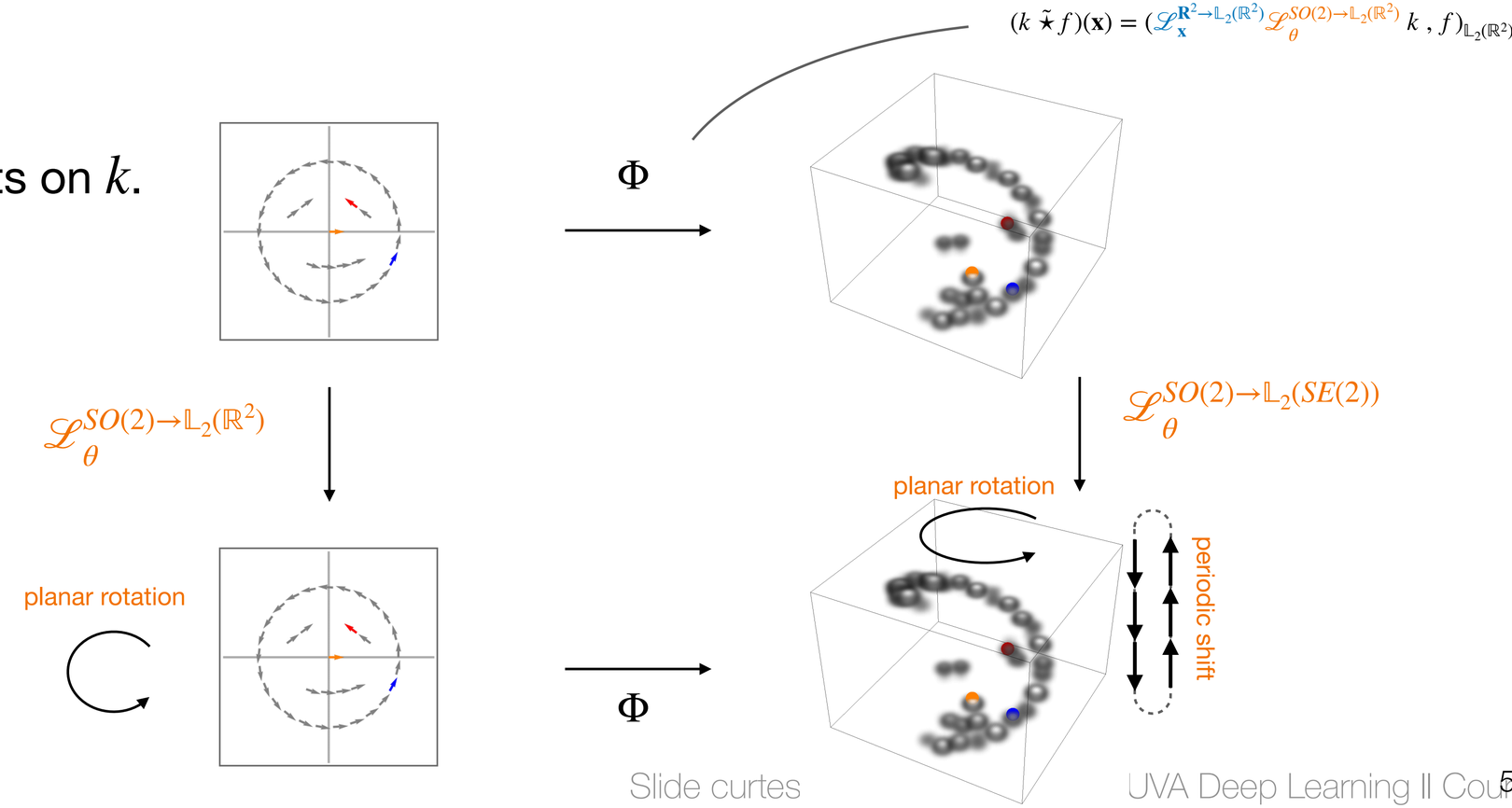

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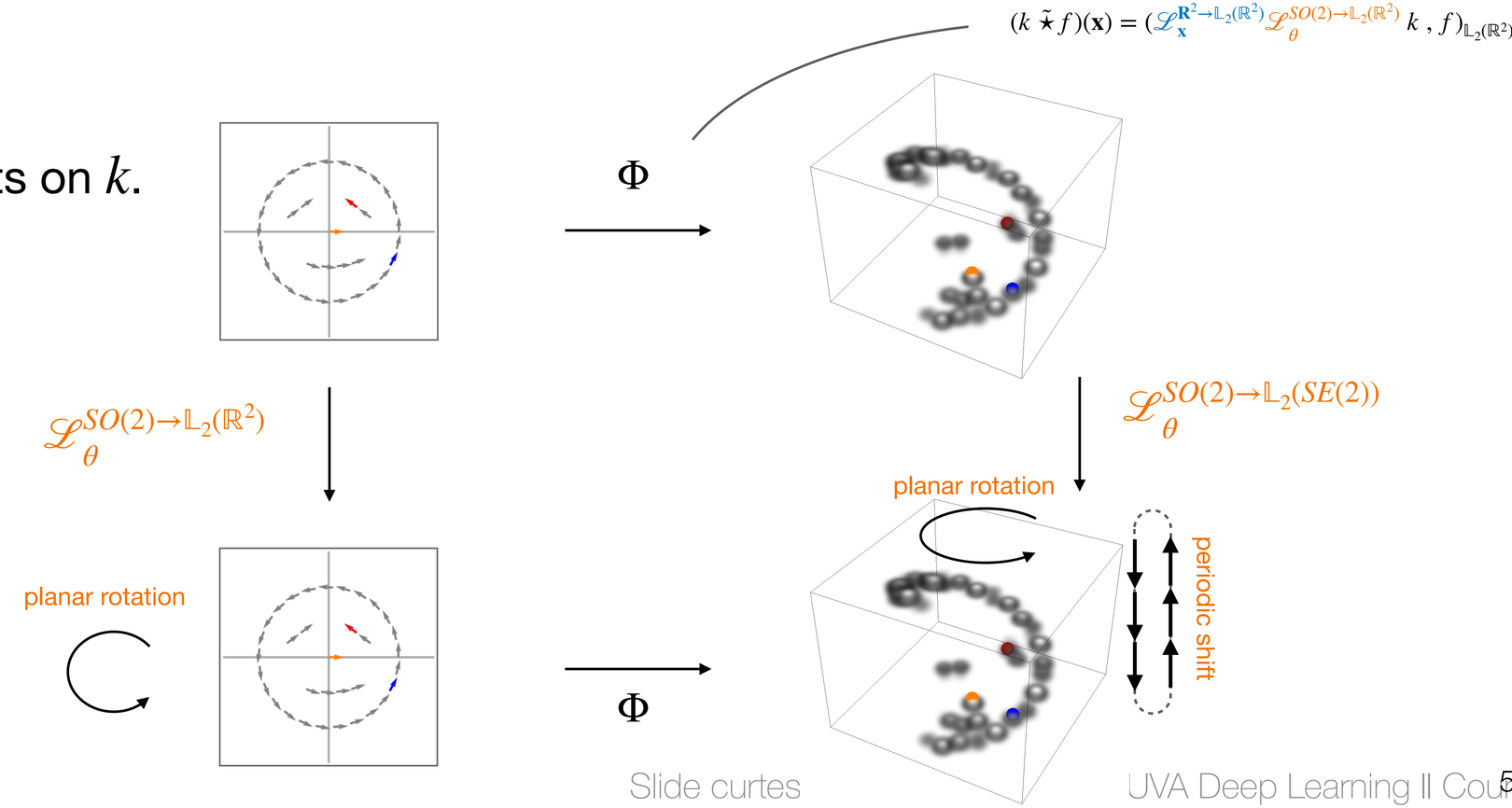

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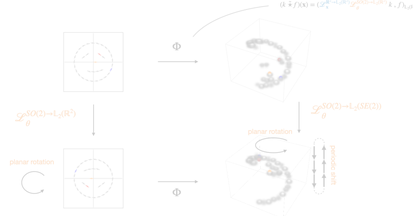

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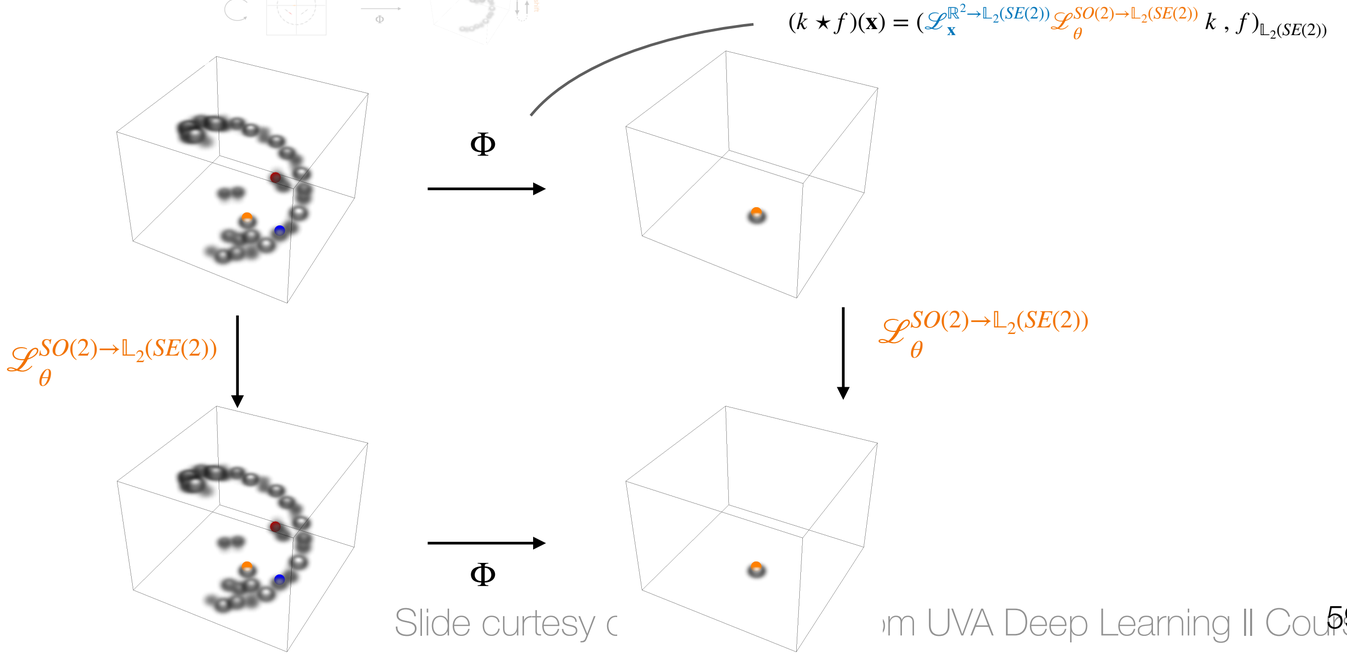

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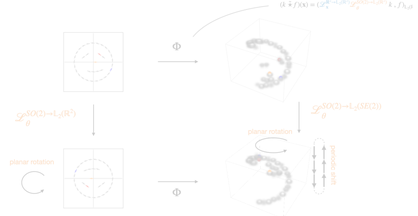

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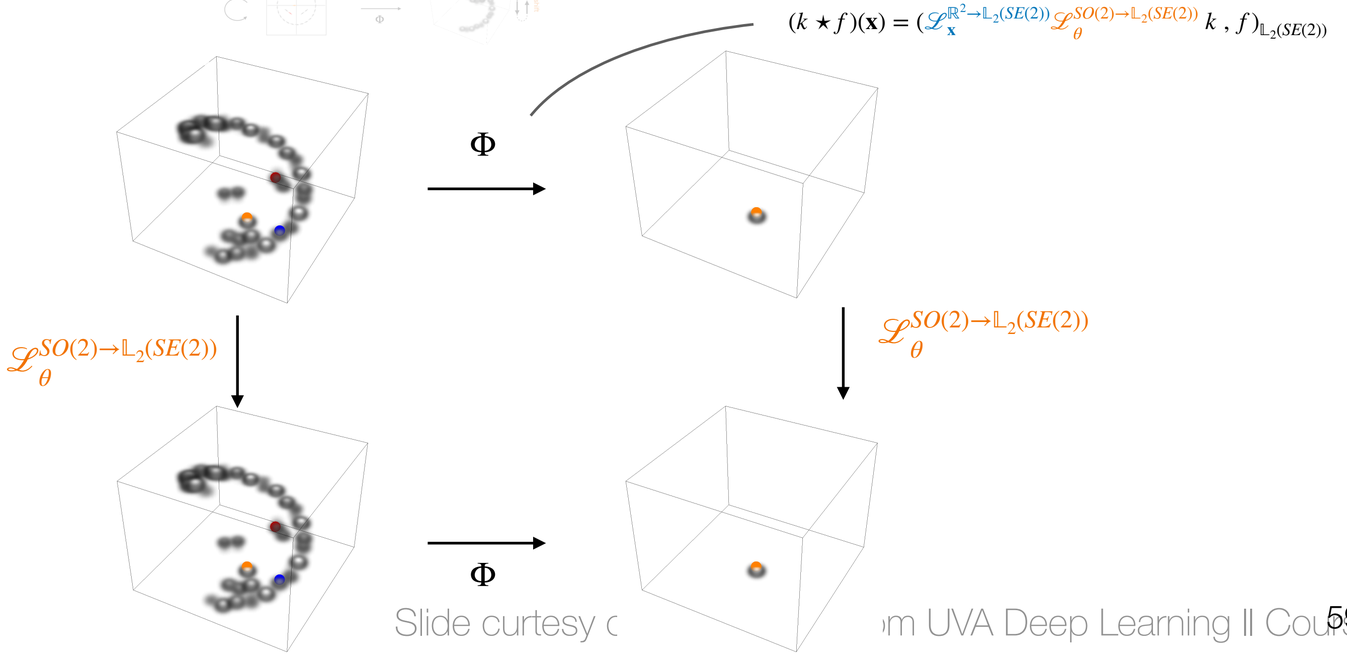

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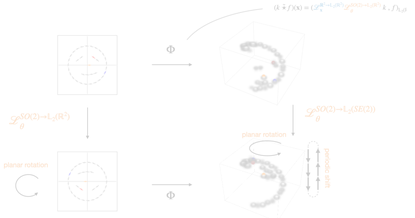

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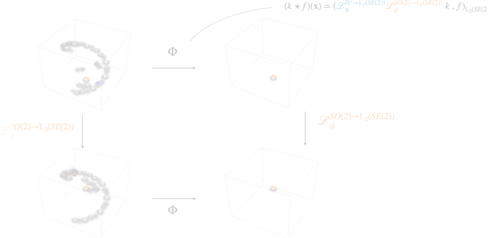

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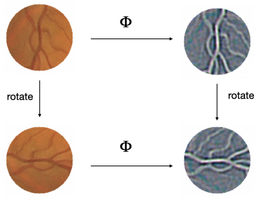

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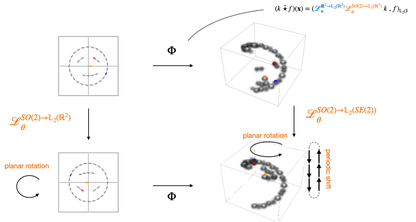

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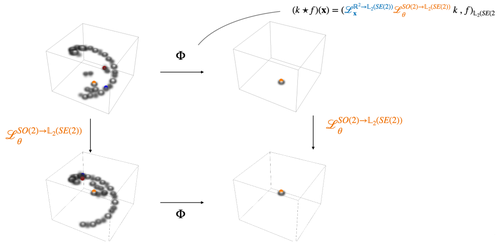

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Summary

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- A template (kernel) is transformed and matched (inner-product) under all possible transformations in the group
- This creates higher-dimensional feature maps (functions on the group) on which we again define template matching via the group action
- In these higher dimensional feature maps we can detect advanced patterns in terms of features at relative poses!
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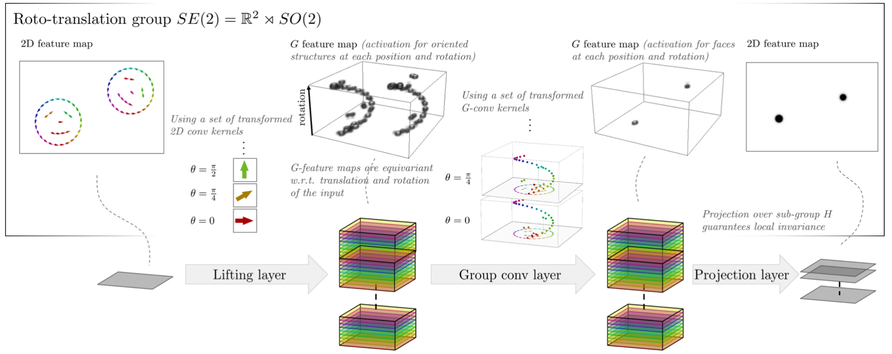

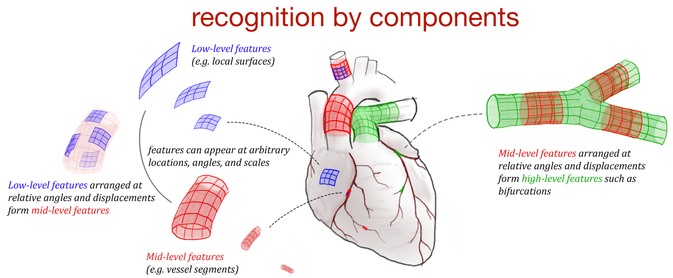

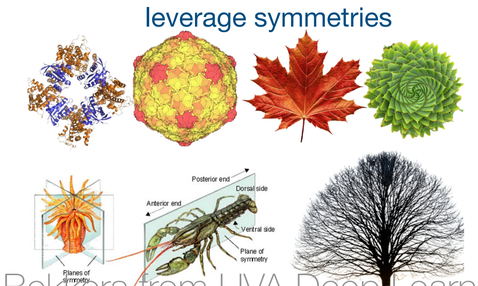

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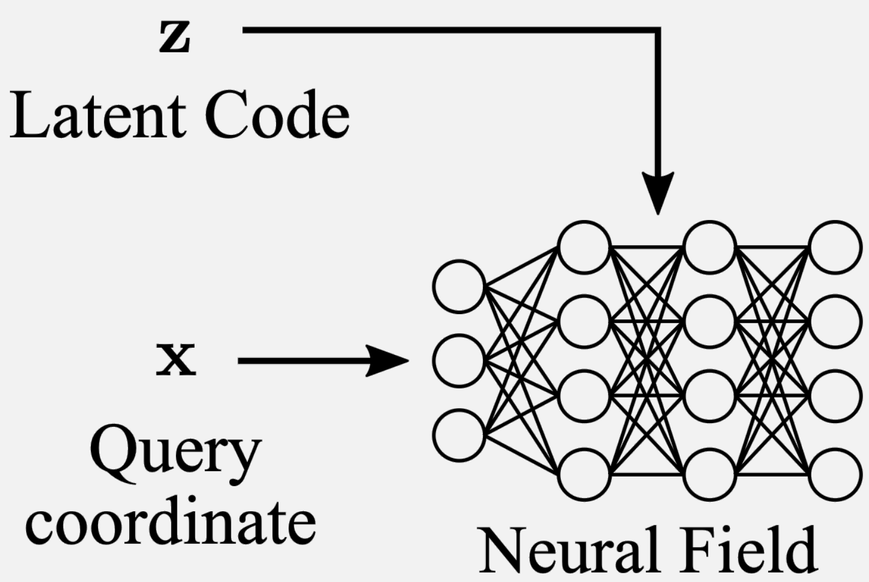

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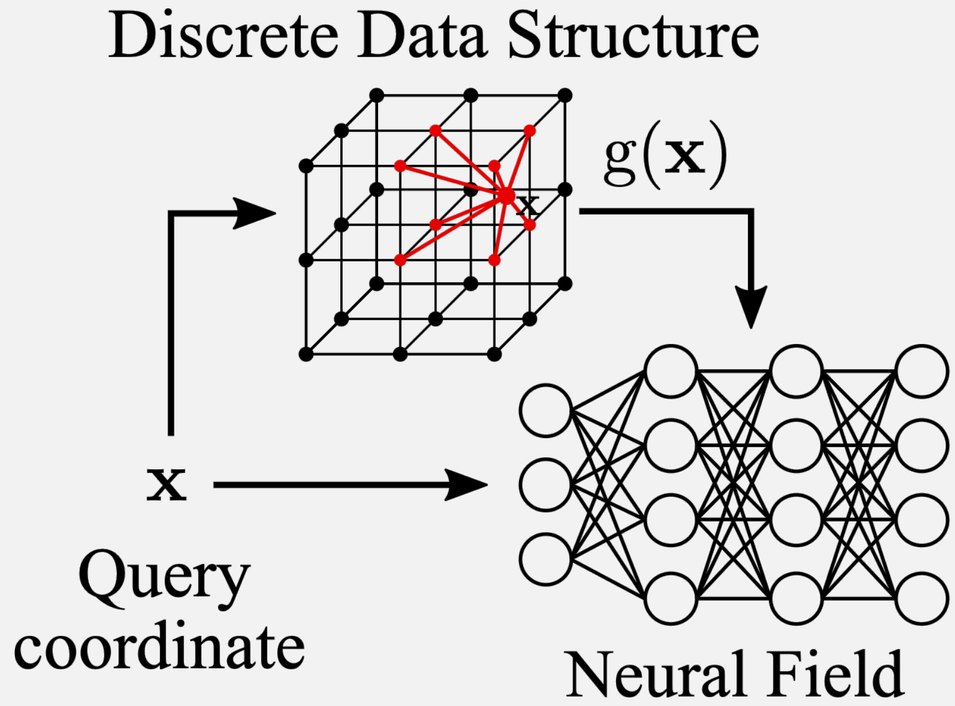

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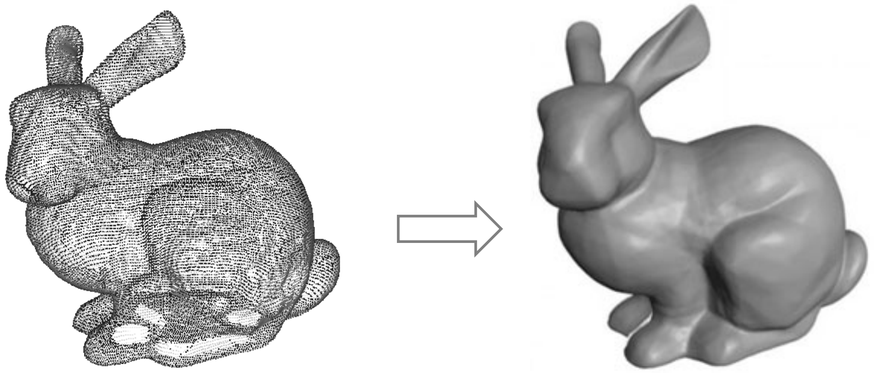

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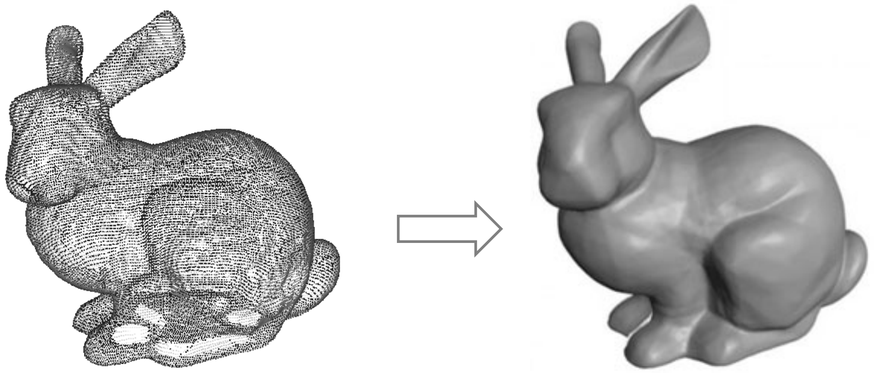

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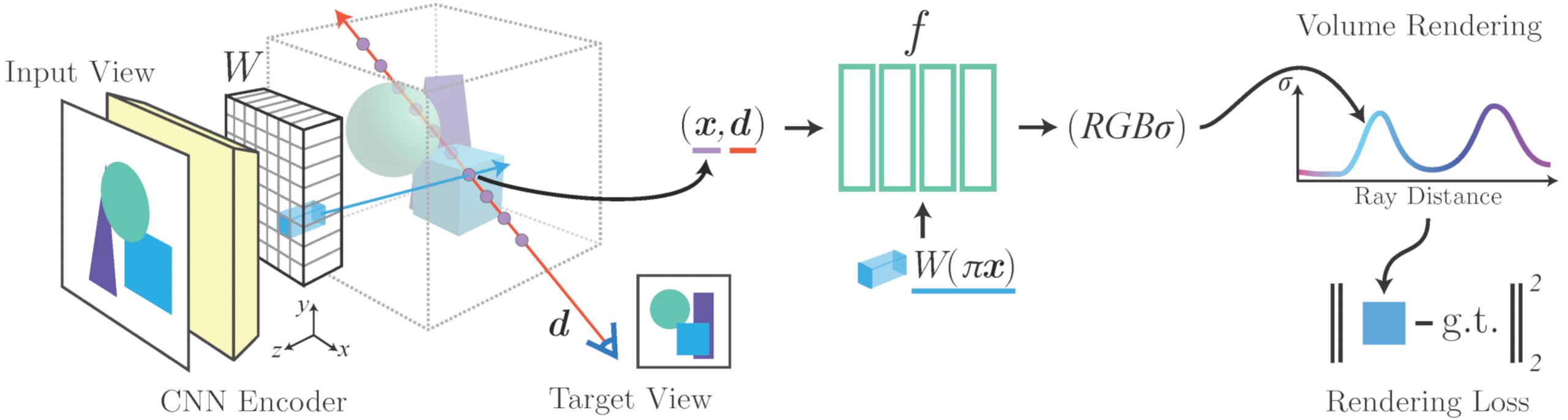

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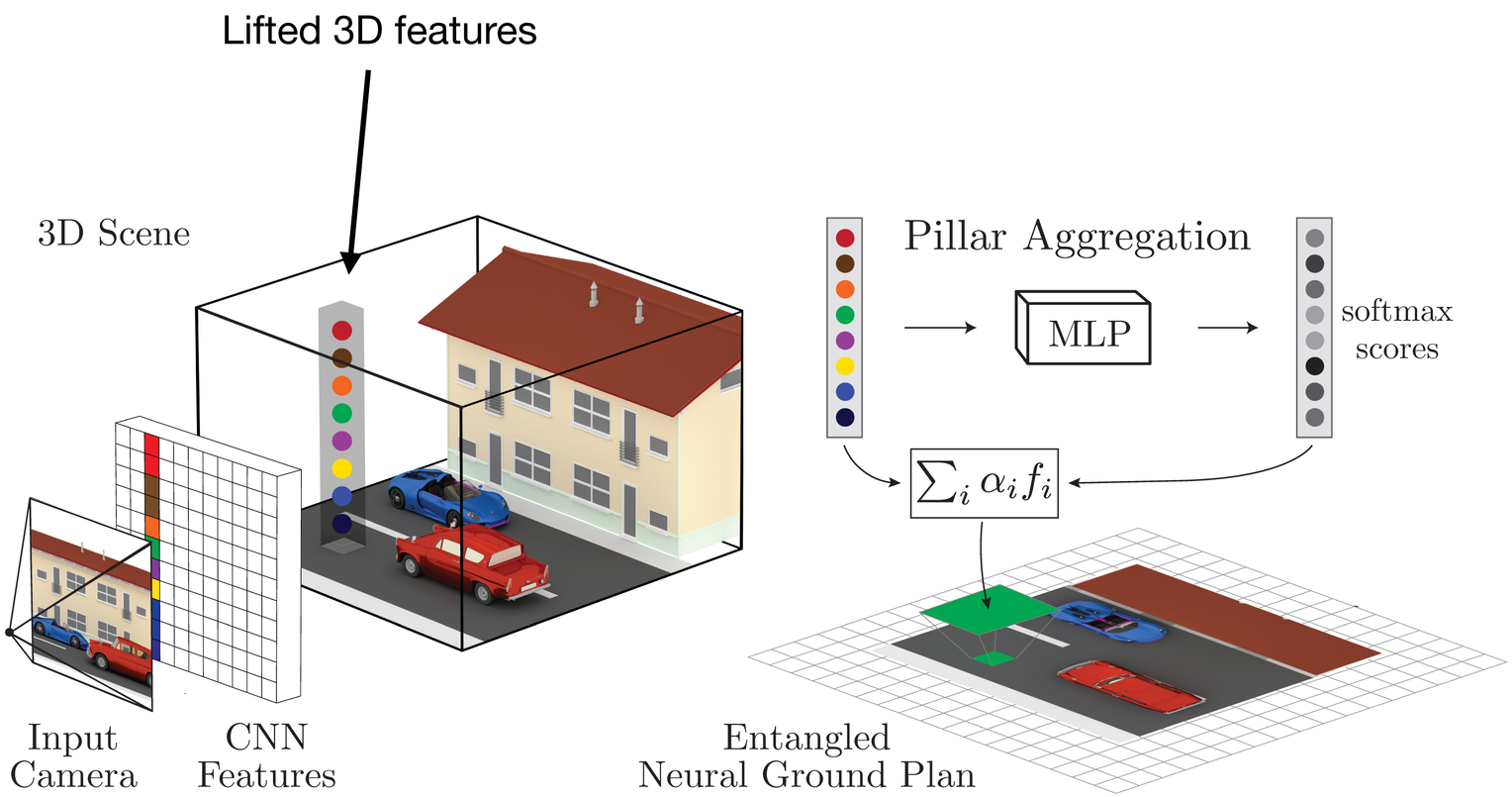

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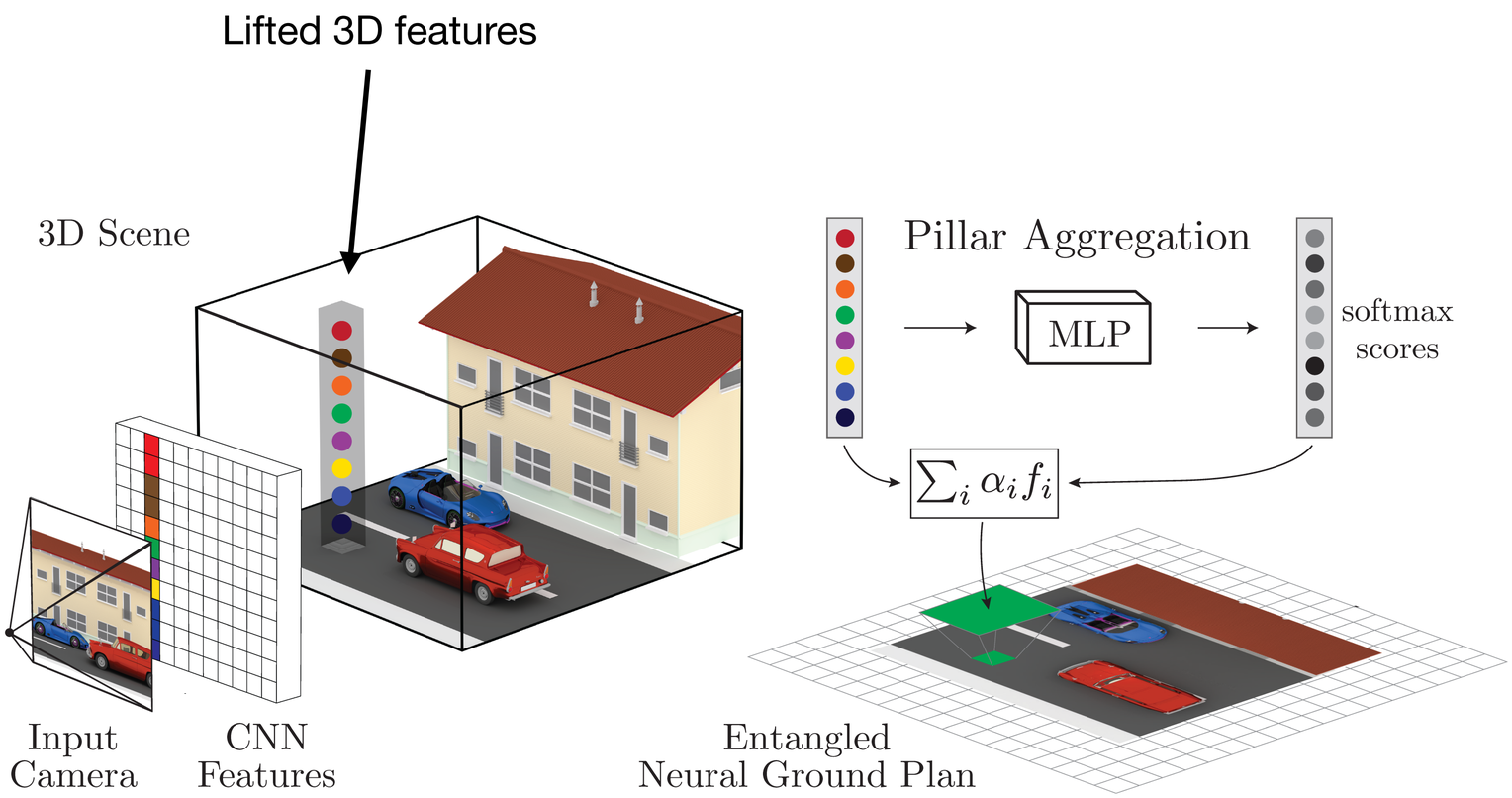

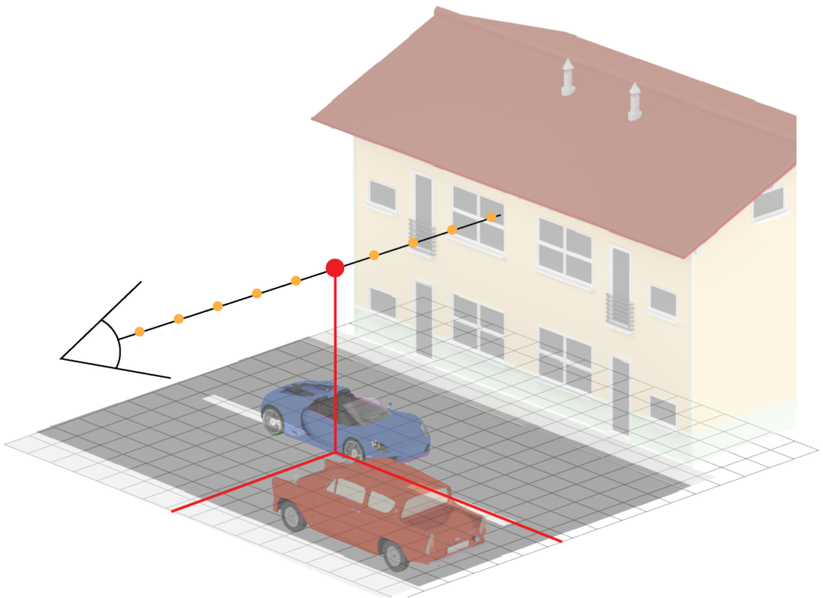

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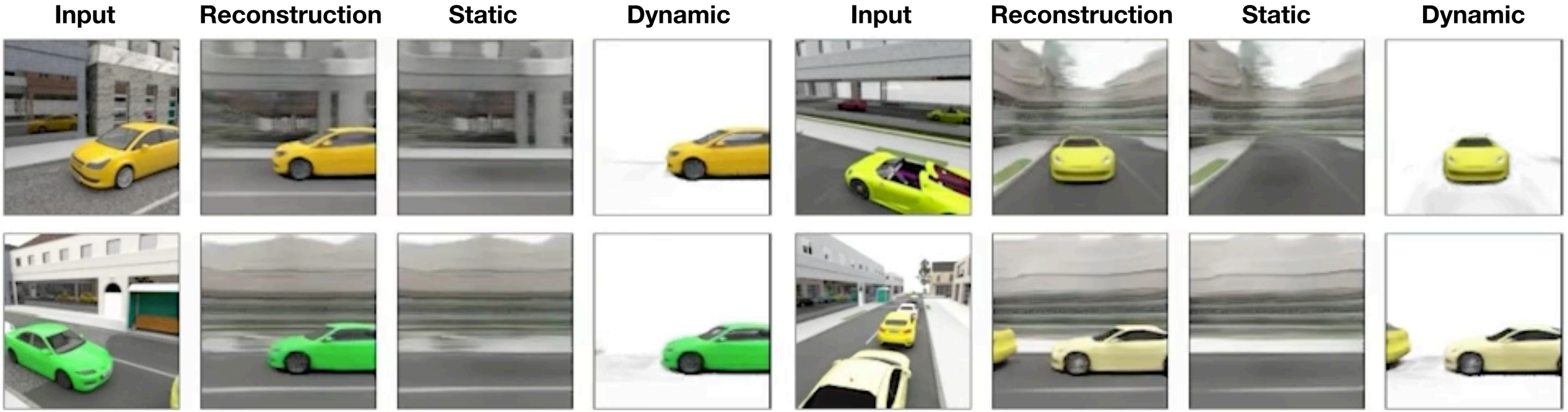

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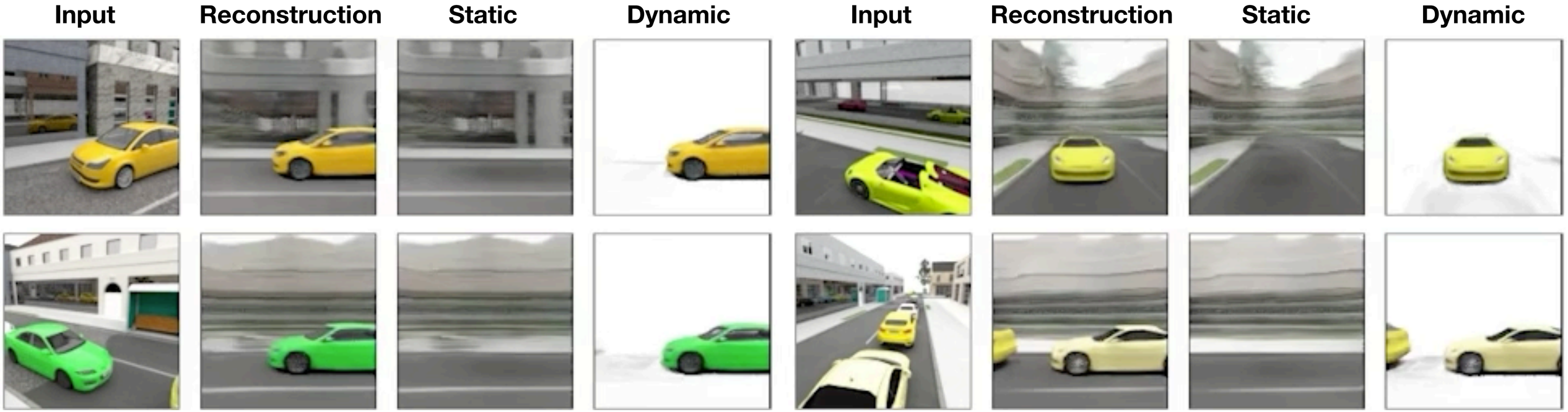

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Discussion

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- In practice, obviously, they are similarly useful: See MLP vs. CNN.
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- Group convolutions can become expensive b/c of combinatorial growth of feature maps: *for each translation* $\times$ *for each scale* $\times$ *for each rotation* $\times$ *…*
- Nevertheless, there are clear and apparent use-cases - which we will see in the paper session :)