

# Deep Neural Network Mathematical Mysteries

## for High Dimensional Learning



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# High Dimensional Learning

- High-dimensional  $x = (x(1), \dots, x(d)) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ :
- **Classification:** estimate a class label  $f(x)$   
given  $n$  sample values  $\{x_i, y_i = f(x_i)\}_{i \leq n}$

Image Classification     $d = 10^6$

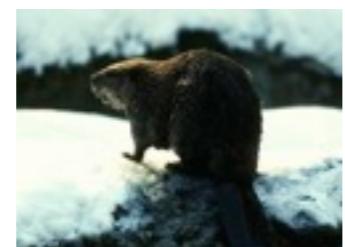
Anchor



Joshua Tree



Beaver



Lotus



Water Lily



Huge variability  
inside classes

Find invariants

# High Dimensional Learning

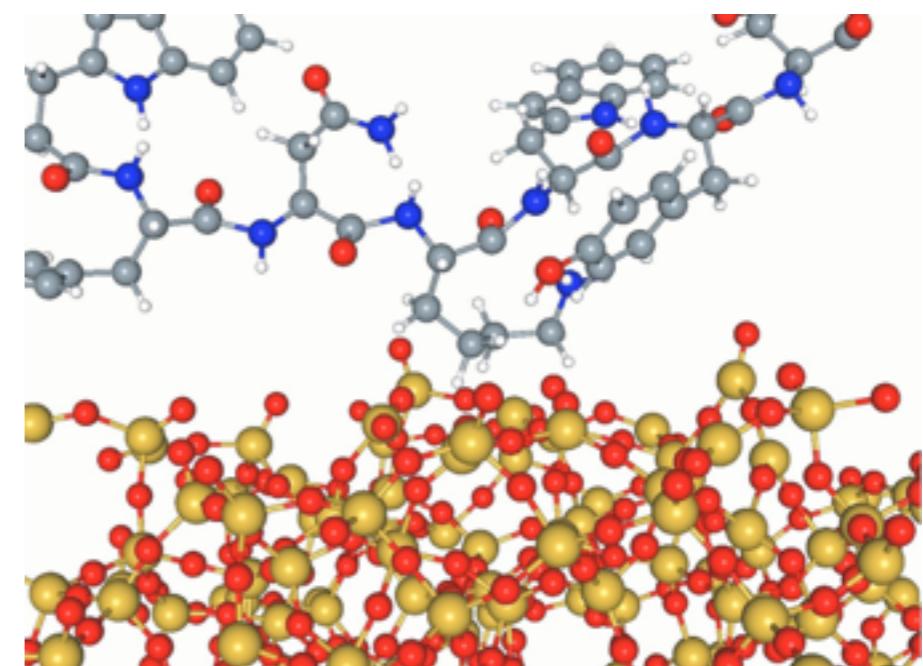
- High-dimensional  $x = (x(1), \dots, x(d)) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ :
- **Regression:** approximate a *functional*  $f(x)$   
given  $n$  sample values  $\{x_i, y_i = f(x_i) \in \mathbb{R}\}_{i \leq n}$

Physics: energy  $f(x)$  of a state vector  $x$

Astronomy



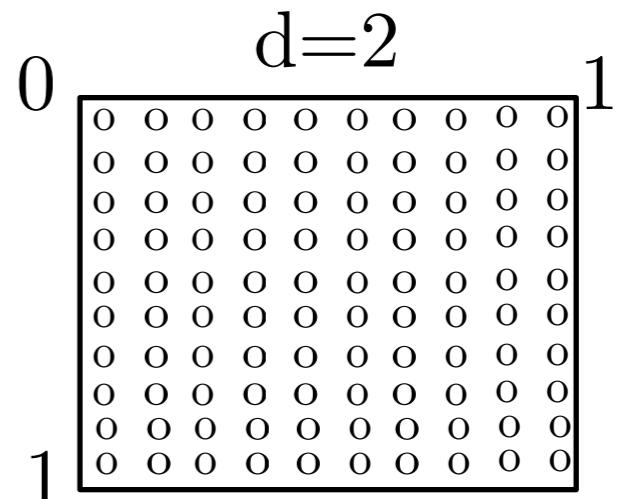
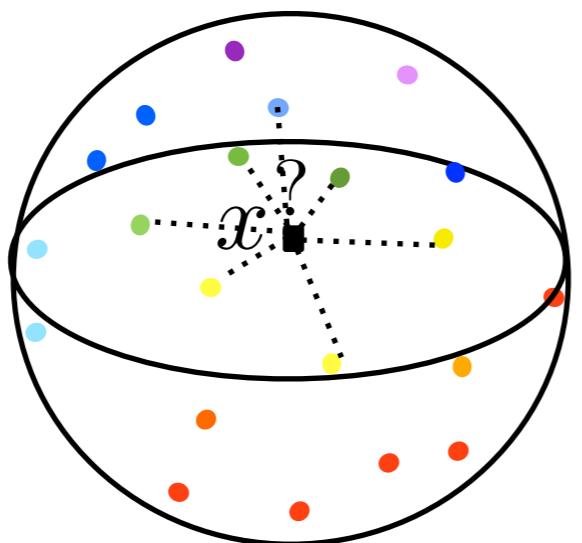
Quantum Chemistry



Importance of symmetries.

# Curse of Dimensionality

- $f(x)$  can be approximated from examples  $\{x_i, f(x_i)\}_i$  by local interpolation if  $f$  is regular and there are close examples:

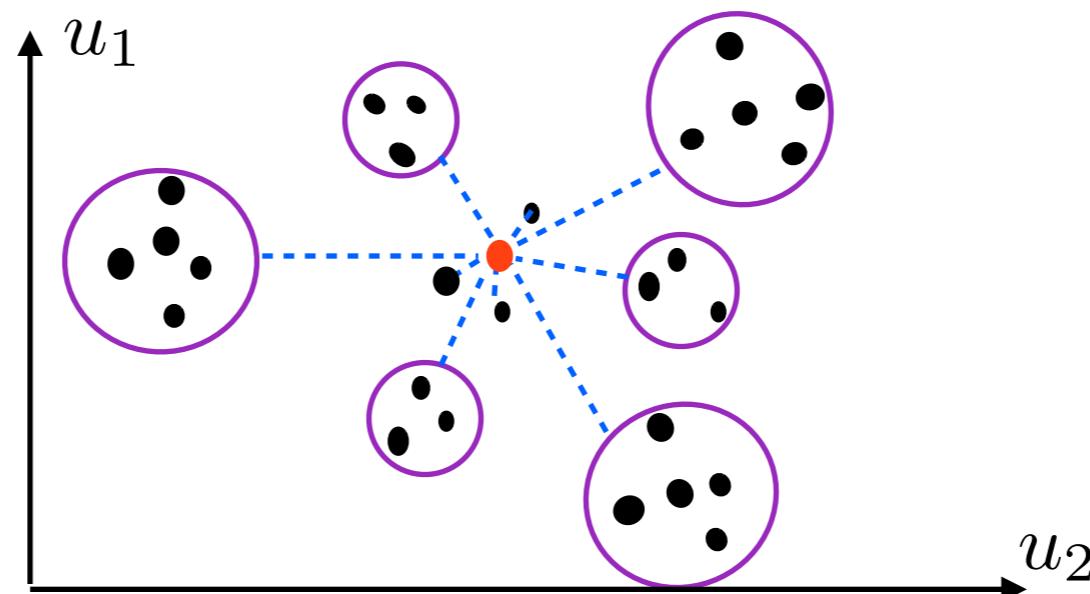


- Need  $\epsilon^{-d}$  points to cover  $[0, 1]^d$  at a Euclidean distance  $\epsilon$   
Problem:  $\|x - x_i\|$  is always large



# Multiscale Separation

- Variables  $x(u)$  indexed by a low-dimensional  $u$ : time/space... pixels in images, particles in physics, words in text...
- Multiscale interactions of  $d$  variables:



From  $d^2$  interactions to  $O(\log^2 d)$  multiscale interactions.

- Multiscale analysis: wavelets on groups of symmetries.  
hierarchical architecture.

# Overview

- 1 Hidden Layer Network, Approximation theory and Curse
- Kernel learning
- Dimension reduction with change of variables
- Deep Neural networks and symmetry groups
- Wavelet Scattering transforms
- Applications and many open questions

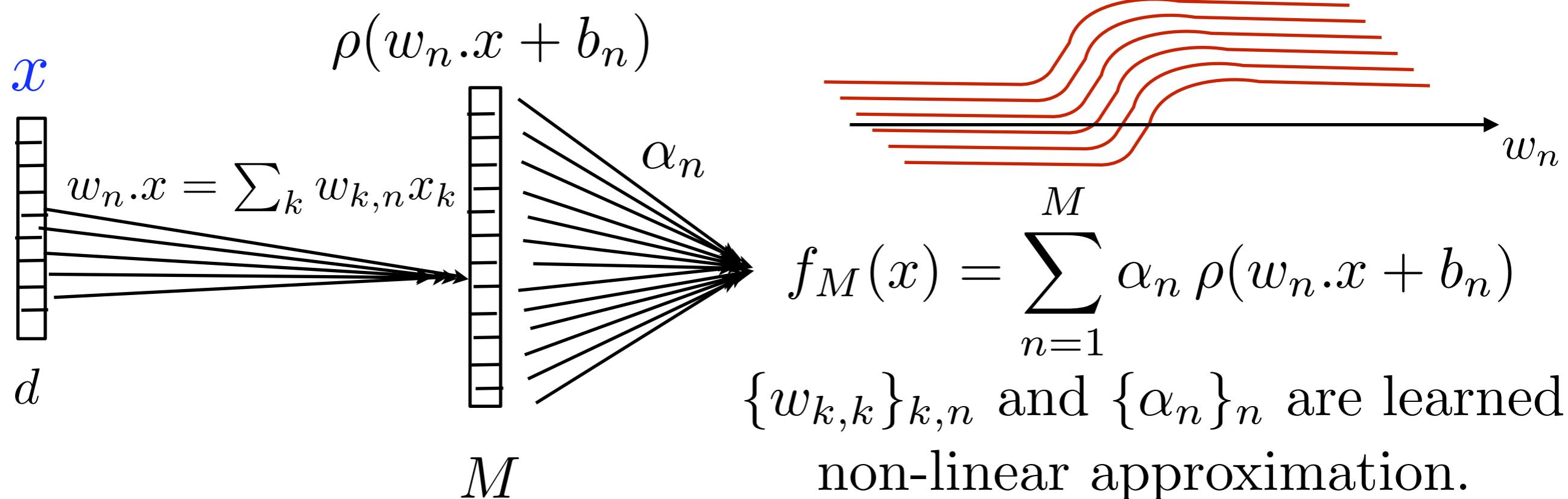
*Understanding Deep Convolutional Networks*, arXiv 2016.

# Learning as an Approximation

- To estimate  $f(x)$  from a sampling  $\{x_i, y_i = f(x_i)\}_{i \leq M}$  we must build an  $M$ -parameter approximation  $f_M$  of  $f$ .
- Precise sparse approximation requires some "regularity".
- For binary classification  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \Omega \\ -1 & \text{if } x \notin \Omega \end{cases}$   
 $f(x) = \text{sign}(\tilde{f}(x))$  where  $\tilde{f}$  is potentially regular.
- What type of regularity ? How to compute  $f_M$  ?

# 1 Hidden Layer Neural Networks

One-hidden layer neural network: ridge functions  $\rho(x.w_n + b_n)$



$\{w_{k,k}\}_{k,n}$  and  $\{\alpha_n\}_n$  are learned  
non-linear approximation.

Cybenko, Hornik, Stinchcombe, White

**Theorem:** For "resonnable" bounded  $\rho(u)$

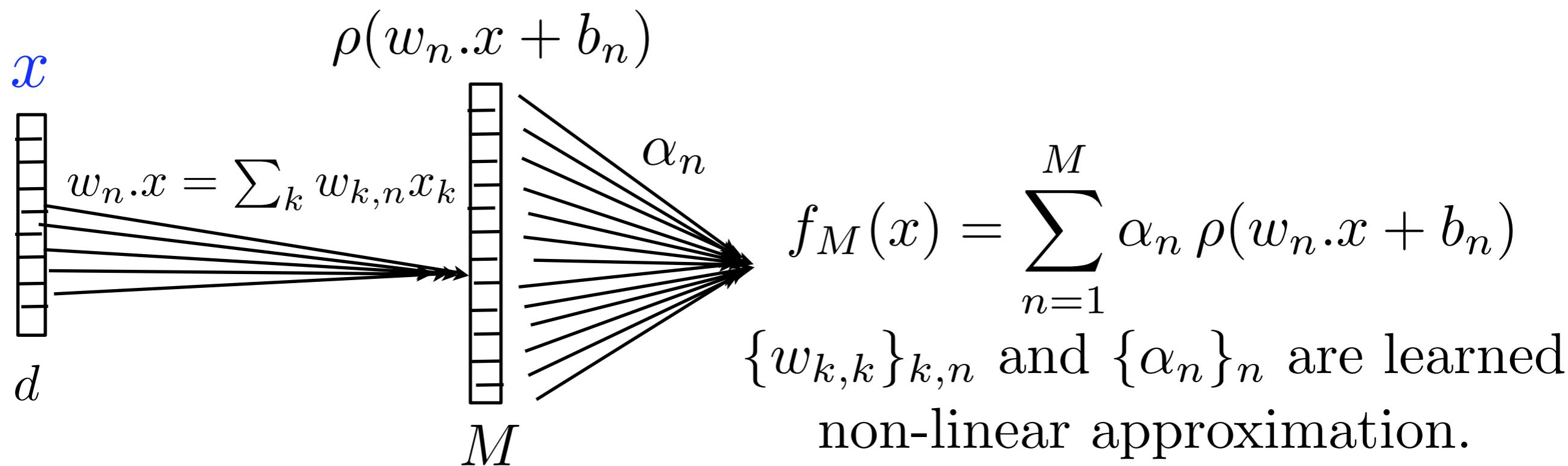
and appropriate choices of  $w_{n,k}$  and  $\alpha_n$ :

$$\forall f \in \mathbb{L}^2[0, 1]^d \quad \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \|f - f_M\| = 0 .$$

No big deal: curse of dimensionality still there.

# 1 Hidden Layer Neural Networks

One-hidden layer neural network:



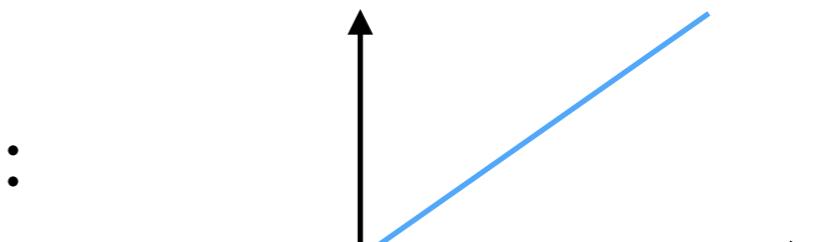
Fourier series:  $\rho(u) = e^{iu}$

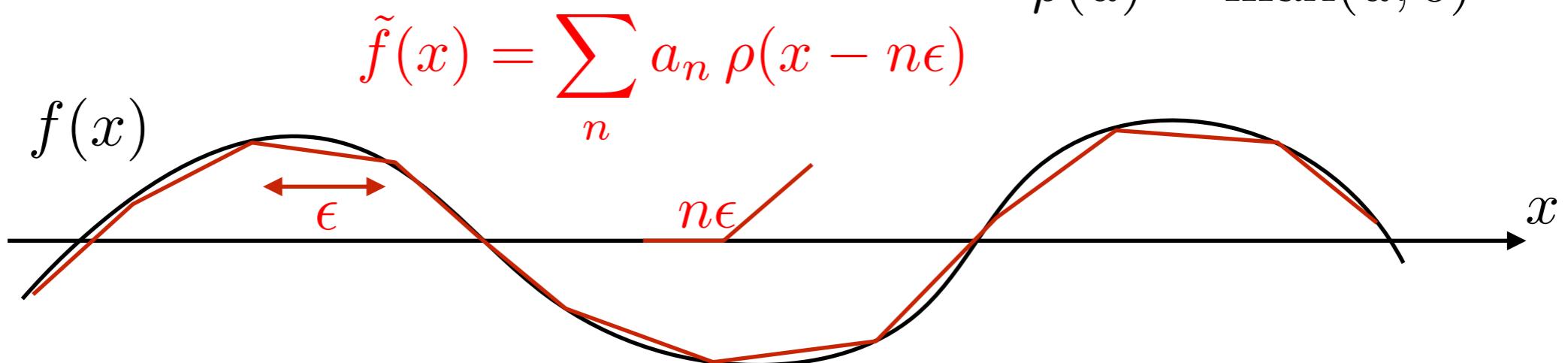
$$f_M(x) = \sum_{n=1}^M \alpha_n e^{iw_n \cdot x}$$

For nearly all  $\rho$ : essentially same approximation results.

# Piecewise Linear Approximation

- Piecewise linear approximation:

$$\rho(u) = \max(u, 0)$$




If  $f$  is Lipschitz:  $|f(x) - f(x')| \leq C |x - x'|$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - \tilde{f}(x)| \leq C \epsilon.$$

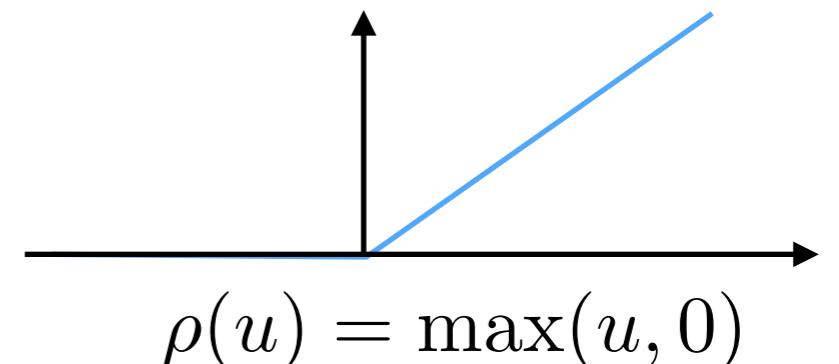
Need  $M = \epsilon^{-1}$  points to cover  $[0, 1]$  at a distance  $\epsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - f_M\| \leq C M^{-1}$$

# Linear Ridge Approximation

- Piecewise linear ridge approximation:  $x \in [0, 1]^d$

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \sum_n a_n \rho(w_n \cdot x - n\epsilon)$$



$$\rho(u) = \max(u, 0)$$

If  $f$  is Lipschitz:  $|f(x) - f(x')| \leq C \|x - x'\|$

Sampling at a distance  $\epsilon$ :

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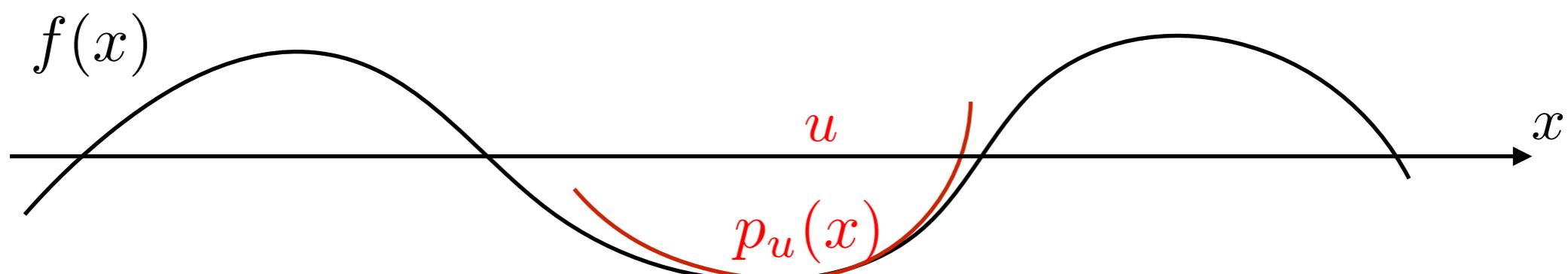
$$\Rightarrow \|f - f_M\| \leq C M^{-1/d}$$

Curse of dimensionality!

# Approximation with Regularity

- What prior condition makes learning possible ?
- Approximation of regular functions in  $\mathbf{C}^s[0, 1]^d$ :

$$\forall x, u \quad |f(x) - p_u(x)| \leq C |x - u|^s \quad \text{with } p_u(x) \text{ polynomial}$$



$$|x - u| \leq \epsilon^{1/s} \Rightarrow |f(x) - p_u(x)| \leq C \epsilon$$

Need  $M^{-d/s}$  points to cover  $[0, 1]^d$  at a distance  $\epsilon^{1/s}$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - f_M\| \leq C M^{-s/d}$$

- Can not do better in  $\mathbf{C}^s[0, 1]^d$ , not good because  $s \ll d$ .  
**Failure of classical approximation theory.**

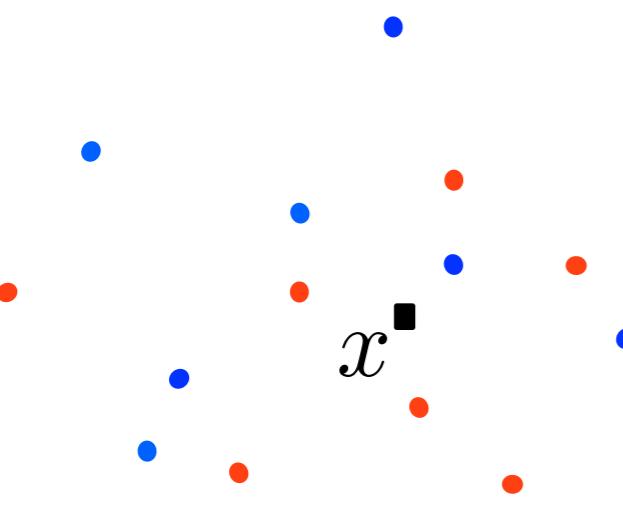
# Kernel Learning

Change of variable  $\Phi(x) = \{\phi_k(x)\}_{k \leq d'}$

to nearly linearize  $f(x)$ , which is approximated by:

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \langle \Phi(x), w \rangle = \sum_{\text{1D projection}} w_k \phi_k(x) .$$

Data:  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

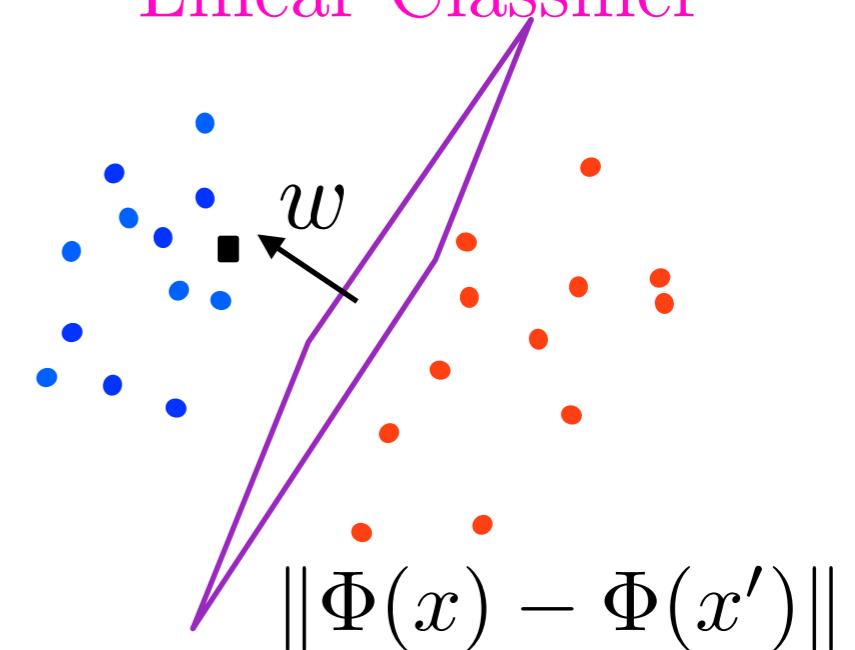


Metric:  $\|x - x'\|$

$$\xrightarrow{\Phi}$$

$\Phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{d'}$

Linear Classifier



- How and when is possible to find such a  $\Phi$  ?
- What "regularity" of  $f$  is needed ?

# Increase Dimensionality

**Proposition:** There exists a hyperplane separating any two subsets of  $N$  points  $\{\Phi x_i\}_i$  in dimension  $d' > N + 1$  if  $\{\Phi x_i\}_i$  are not in an affine subspace of dimension  $< N$ .

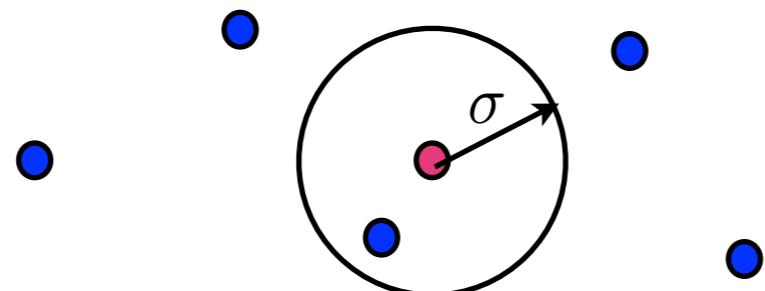
⇒ Choose  $\Phi$  increasing dimensionality !

**Problem:** generalisation, overfitting.

**Example:** Gaussian kernel  $\langle \Phi(x), \Phi(x') \rangle = \exp\left(\frac{-\|x - x'\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$

$\Phi(x)$  is of dimension  $d' = \infty$

If  $\sigma$  is small, nearest neighbor classifier type:



# Reduction of Dimensionality

- Discriminative change of variable  $\Phi(x)$ :

$$\Phi(x) \neq \Phi(x') \text{ if } f(x) \neq f(x')$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \tilde{f} \text{ with } f(x) = \tilde{f}(\Phi(x))$$

- If  $\tilde{f}$  is Lipschitz:  $|\tilde{f}(z) - \tilde{f}(z')| \leq C \|z - z'\|$

$$z = \Phi(x) \Leftrightarrow |f(x) - f(x')| \leq C \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(x')\|$$

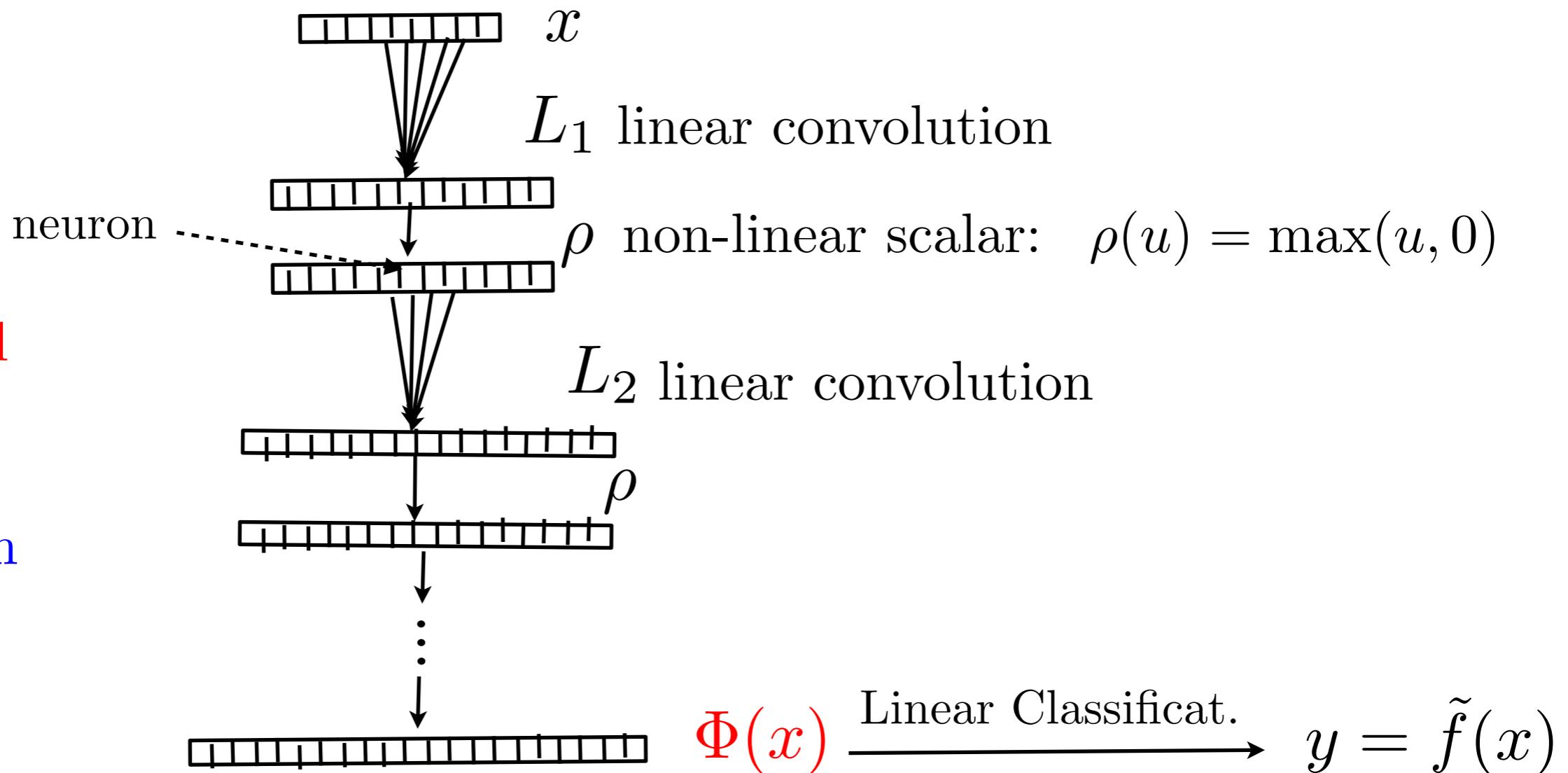
$$\text{Discriminative: } \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(x')\| \geq C^{-1} |f(x) - f(x')|$$

- For  $x \in \Omega$ , if  $\Phi(\Omega)$  is bounded and a low dimension  $d'$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - f_M\| \leq C M^{-1/d'}$$

# Deep Convolution Networks

- The revival of neural networks: *Y. LeCun*



Optimize  $L_j$  with **architecture constraints**: over  $10^9$  parameters

Exceptional results for *images, speech, language, bio-data...*

Why does it work so well ? A difficult problem

# ImageNet Data Basis

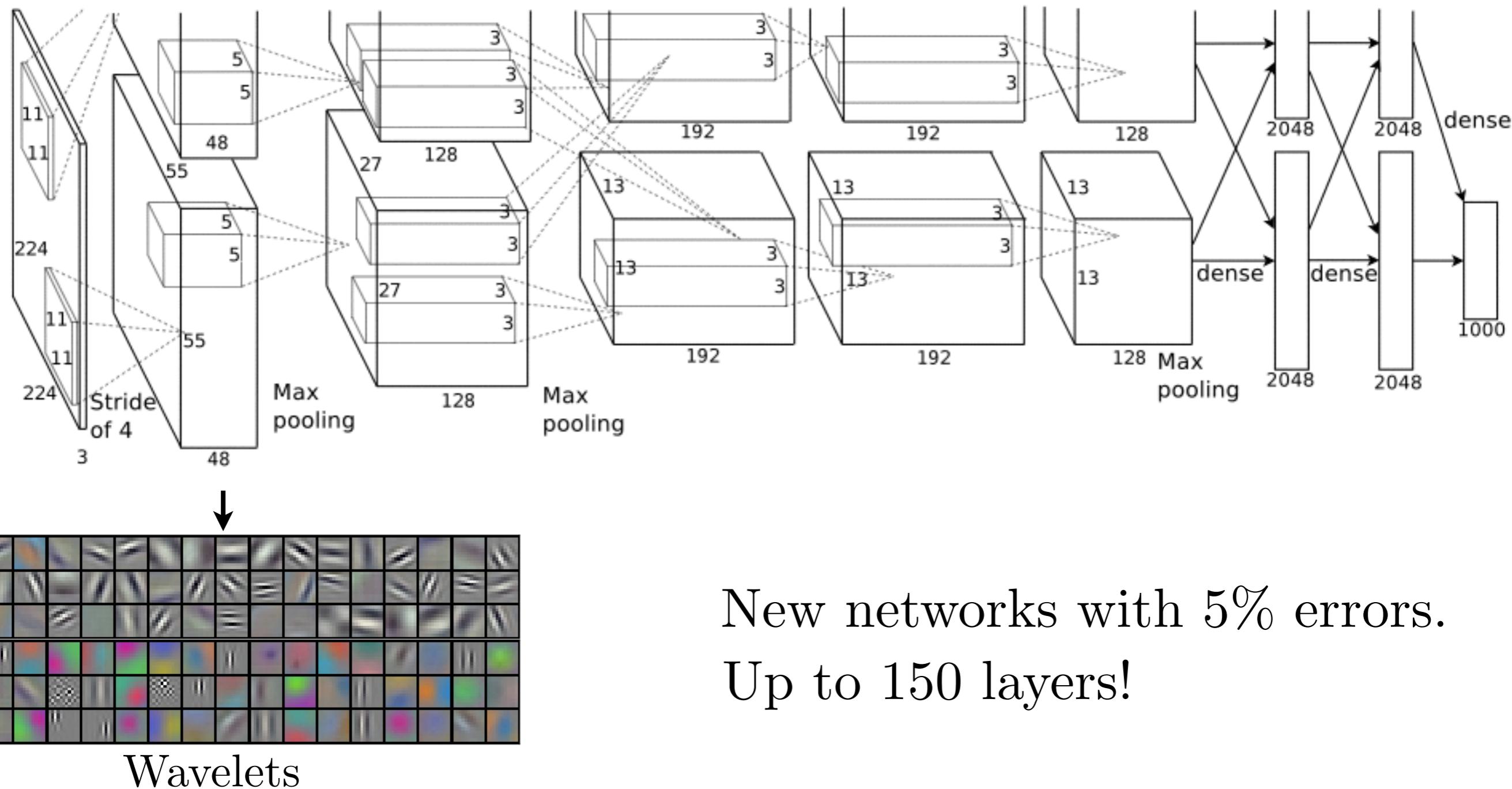
- Data basis with 1 million images and 2000 classes



# Alex Deep Convolution Network

*A. Krizhevsky, Sutskever, Hinton*

- Imagenet supervised training:  $1.2 \cdot 10^6$  examples,  $10^3$  classes  
15.3% testing error in 2012



New networks with 5% errors.  
Up to 150 layers!

# Image Classification



mite

container ship

motor scooter

leopard

mite	container ship	motor scooter	leopard
black widow	lifeboat	go-kart	jaguar
cockroach	amphibian	moped	cheetah
tick	fireboat	bumper car	snow leopard
starfish	drilling platform	golfcart	Egyptian cat



grille



mushroom



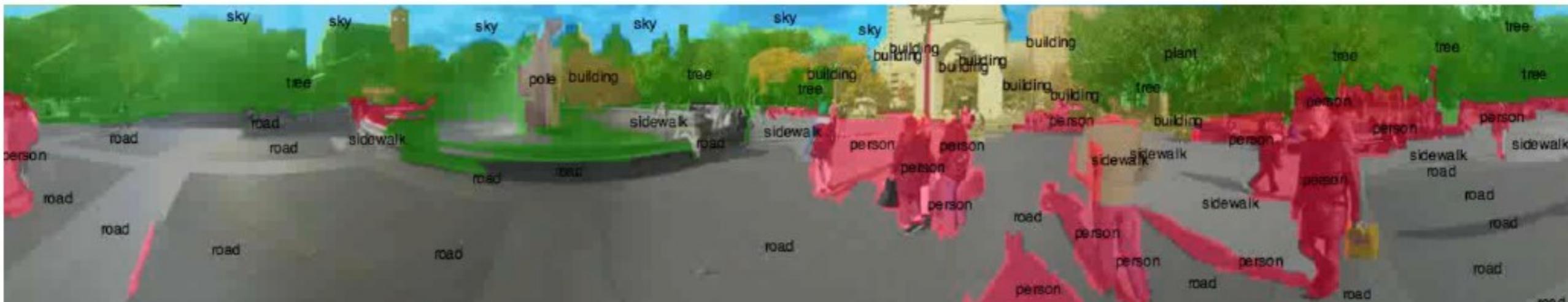
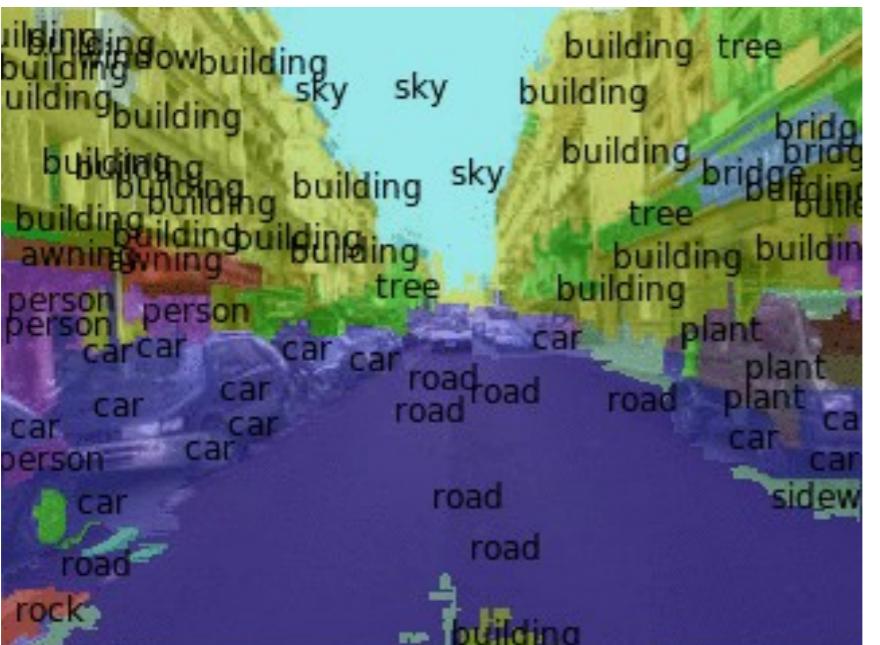
cherry



Madagascar cat

convertible	agaric	dalmatian	squirrel monkey
grille	mushroom	grape	spider monkey
pickup	jelly fungus	elderberry	titi
beach wagon	gill fungus	ffordshire bullterrier	indri
fire engine	dead-man's-fingers	currant	howler monkey

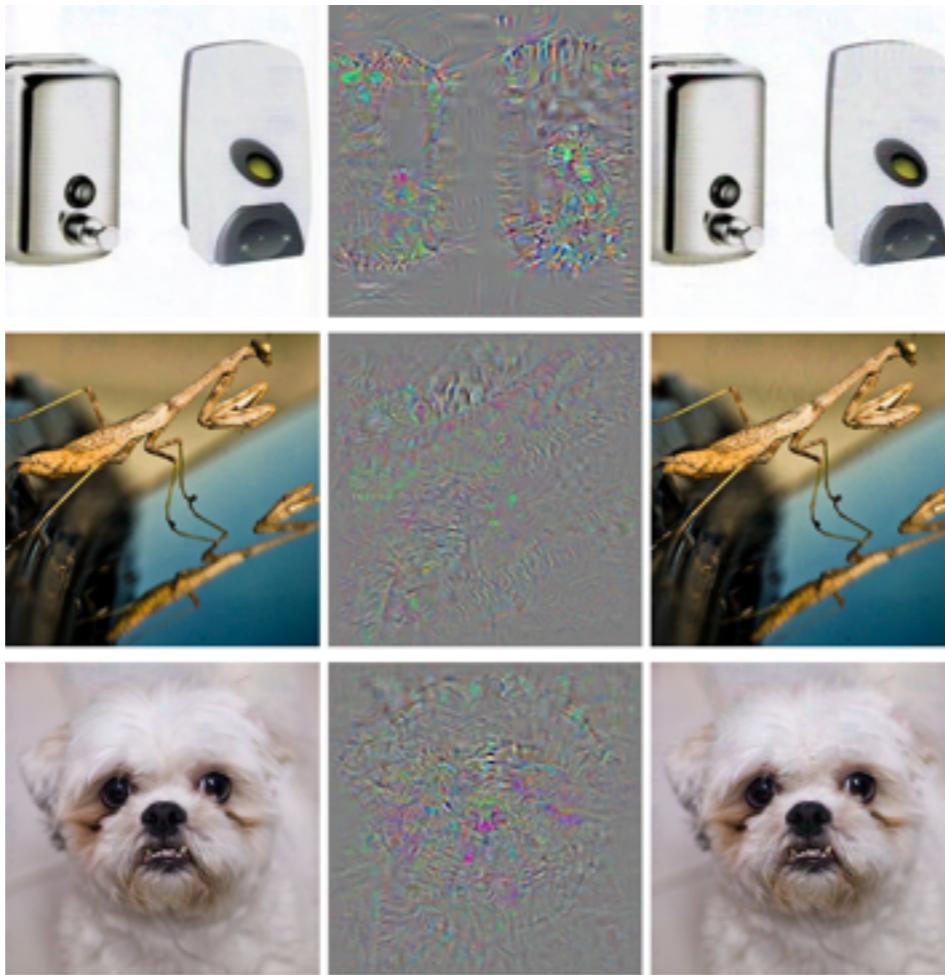
# Scene Labeling / Car Driving



# Why Understanding ?

Szegedy, Zaremba, Sutskever, Bruna, Erhan, Goodfellow, Fergus

$$x + \epsilon = \tilde{x} \quad \text{with } \|\epsilon\| < 10^{-2} \|x\|$$

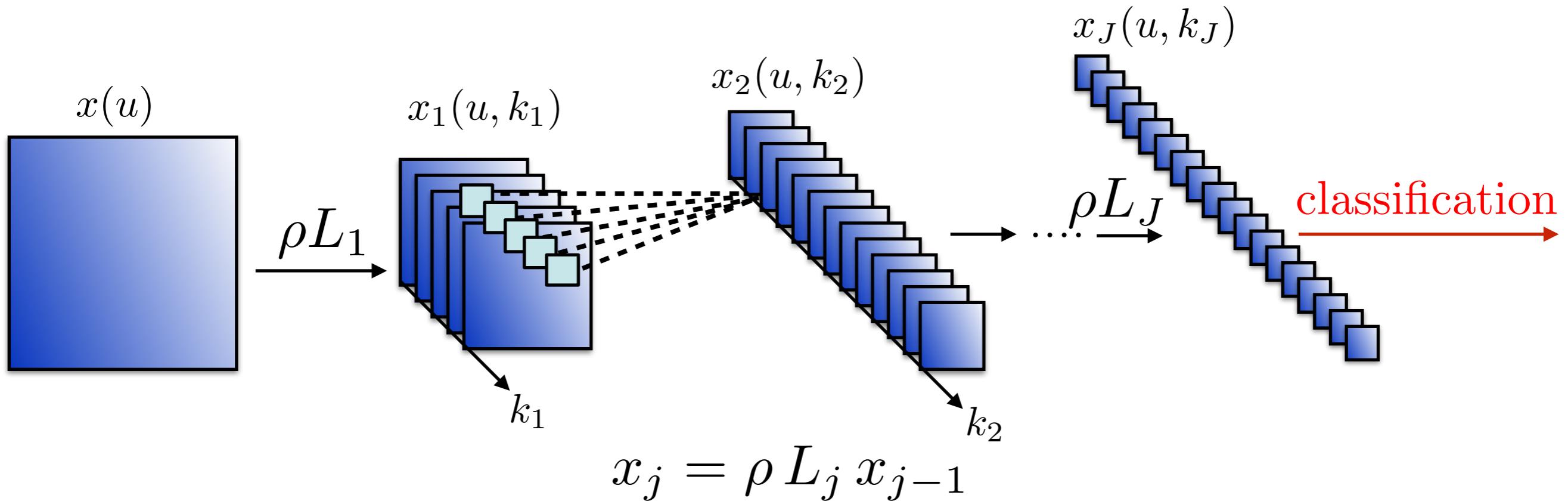


correctly  
classified

classified as  
ostrich

- Trial and error testing can not guarantee reliability.

# Deep Convolutional Networks



- $L_j$  is a linear combination of convolutions and subsampling:

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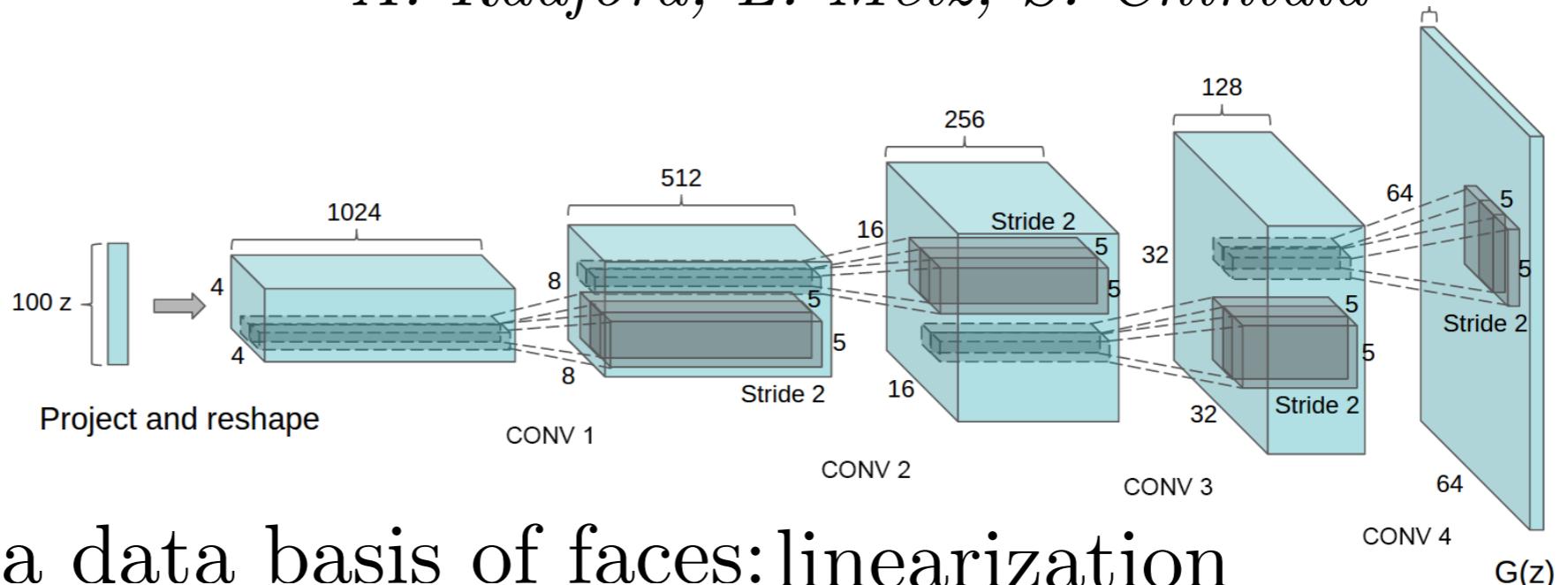
sum across channels

- $\rho$  is contractive:  $|\rho(u) - \rho(u')| \leq |u - u'|$

$$\rho(u) = \max(u, 0) \text{ or } \rho(u) = |u|$$

# Linearisation in Deep Networks

A. Radford, L. Metz, S. Chintala



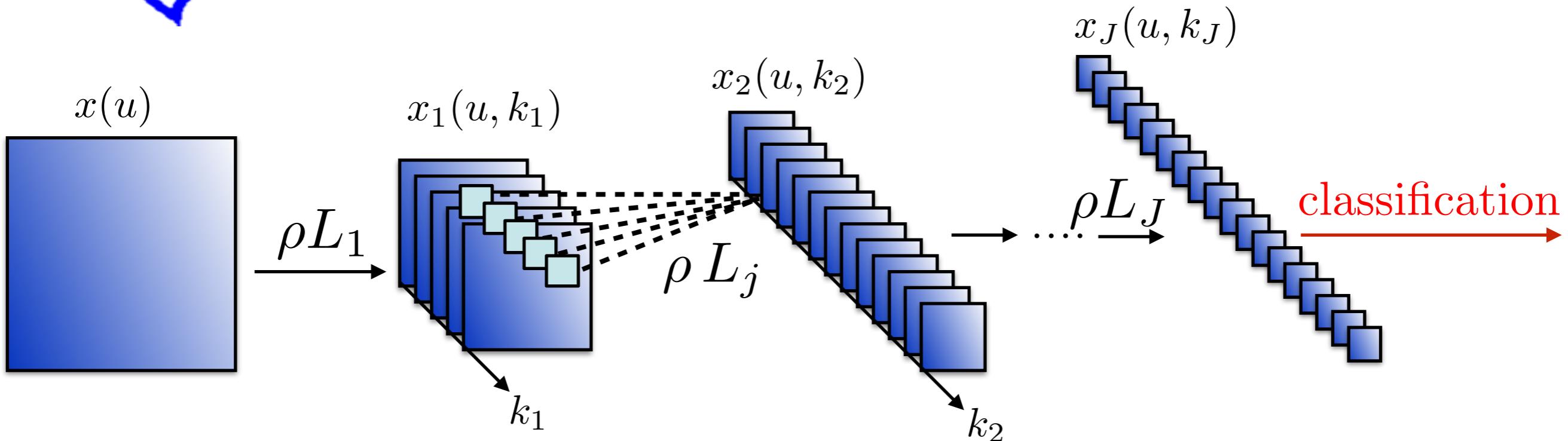
- Trained on a data basis of faces: linearization



- On a data basis including bedrooms: interpolations



# Many Questions

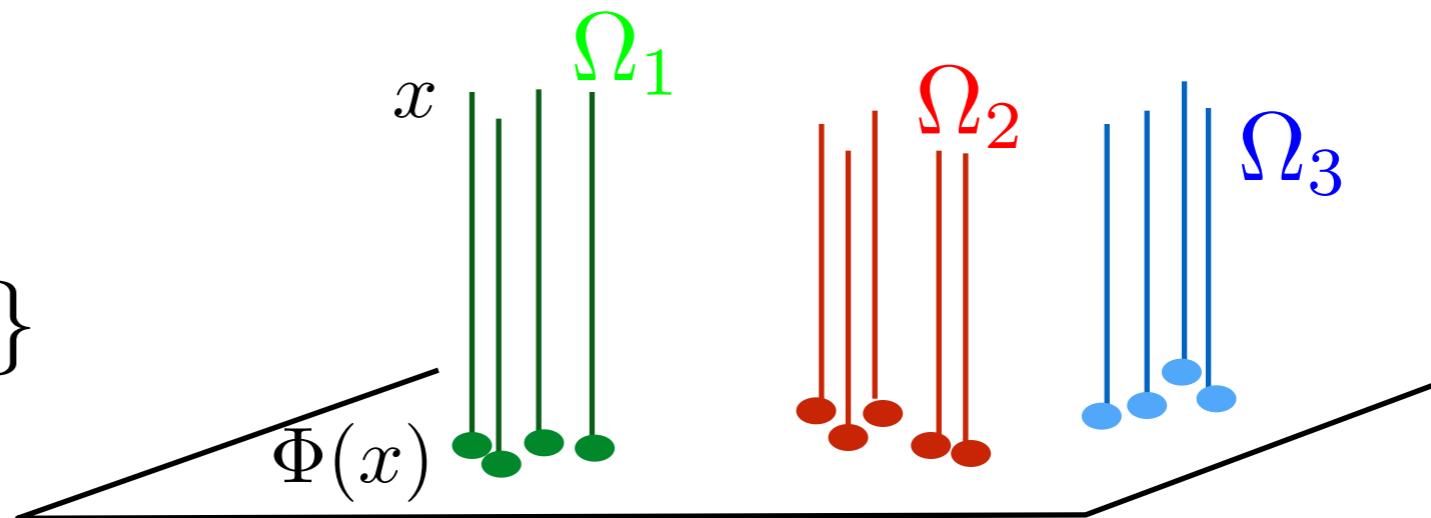


- Why convolutions ? Translation covariance.
- Why no overfitting ? Contractions, dimension reduction
- Why hierarchical cascade ?
- Why introducing non-linearities ?
- How and what to linearise ?
- What are the roles of the multiple channels in each layer ?

# Linear Dimension Reduction



*Classes*  
*Level sets of  $f(x)$*   
 $\Omega_t = \{x : f(x) = t\}$

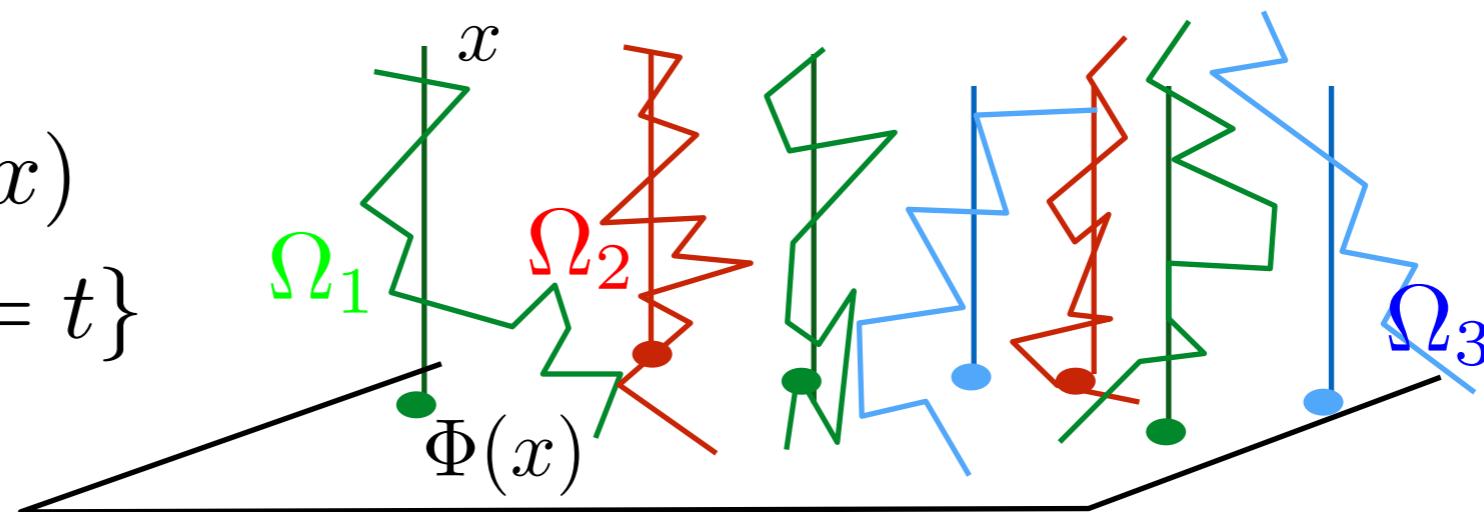


If level sets (classes) are parallel to a linear space  
then variables are eliminated by linear projections: *invariants*.

*Classes*

*Level sets of  $f(x)$*

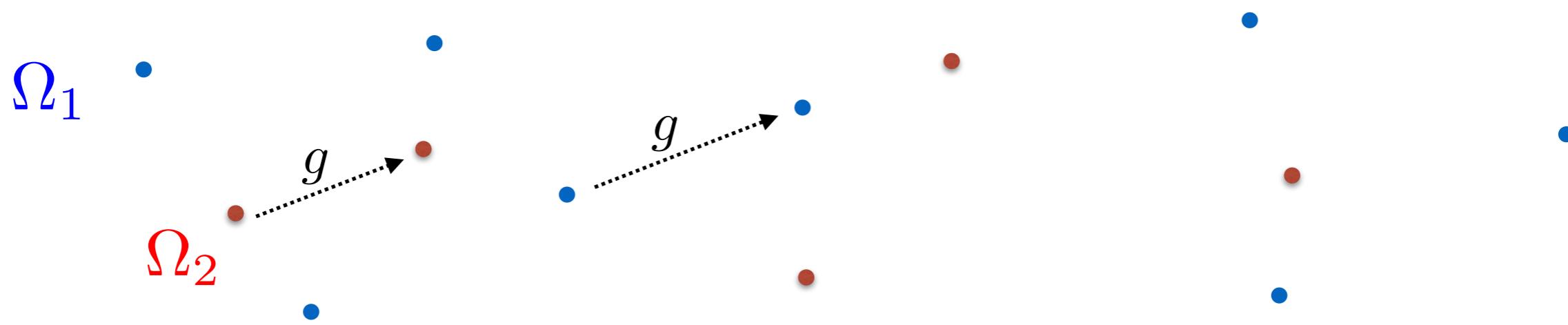
$$\Omega_t = \{x : f(x) = t\}$$



- If level sets  $\Omega_t$  are not parallel to a linear space
  - Linearise them with a change of variable  $\Phi(x)$
  - Then reduce dimension with linear projections
- Difficult because  $\Omega_t$  are high-dimensional, irregular, known on few samples.

# Level Set Geometry: Symmetries

- Curse of dimensionality  $\Rightarrow$  not local but global geometry  
Level sets: classes, characterised by their global symmetries.



- A symmetry is an operator  $g$  which preserves level sets:  
$$\forall x \ , \ f(g.x) = f(x) : \text{global}$$

If  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are symmetries then  $g_1.g_2$  is also a symmetry

$$f(g_1.g_2.x) = f(g_2.x) = f(x)$$

# Groups of symmetries

- $G = \{ \text{ all symmetries } \}$  is a group: unknown

$$\forall (g, g') \in G^2 \Rightarrow g.g' \in G$$

Inverse:  $\forall g \in G , g^{-1} \in G$

Associative:  $(g.g').g'' = g.(g'.g'')$

If commutative  $g.g' = g'.g$  : Abelian group.

- Group of dimension  $n$  if it has  $n$  generators:

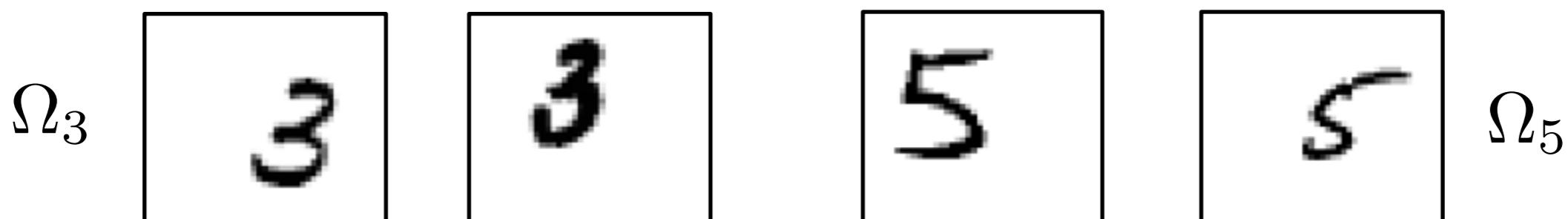
$$g = g_1^{p_1} g_2^{p_2} \dots g_n^{p_n}$$

- Lie group: infinitely small generators (Lie Algebra)

# Translation and Deformations

- Digit classification:

$$x(u) \quad x'(u) = x(u - \tau(u))$$

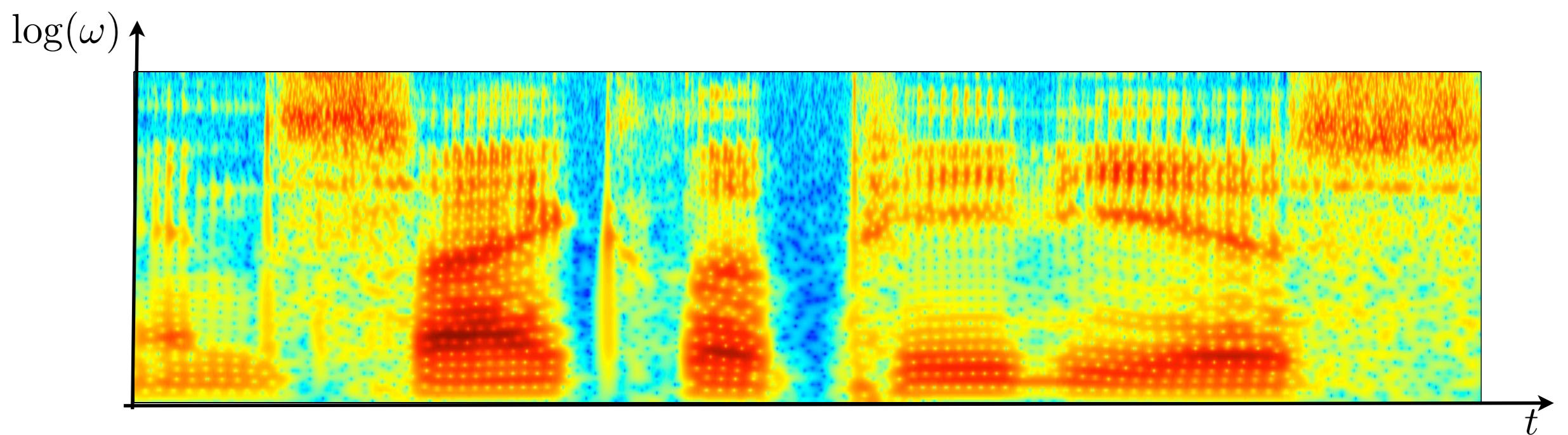
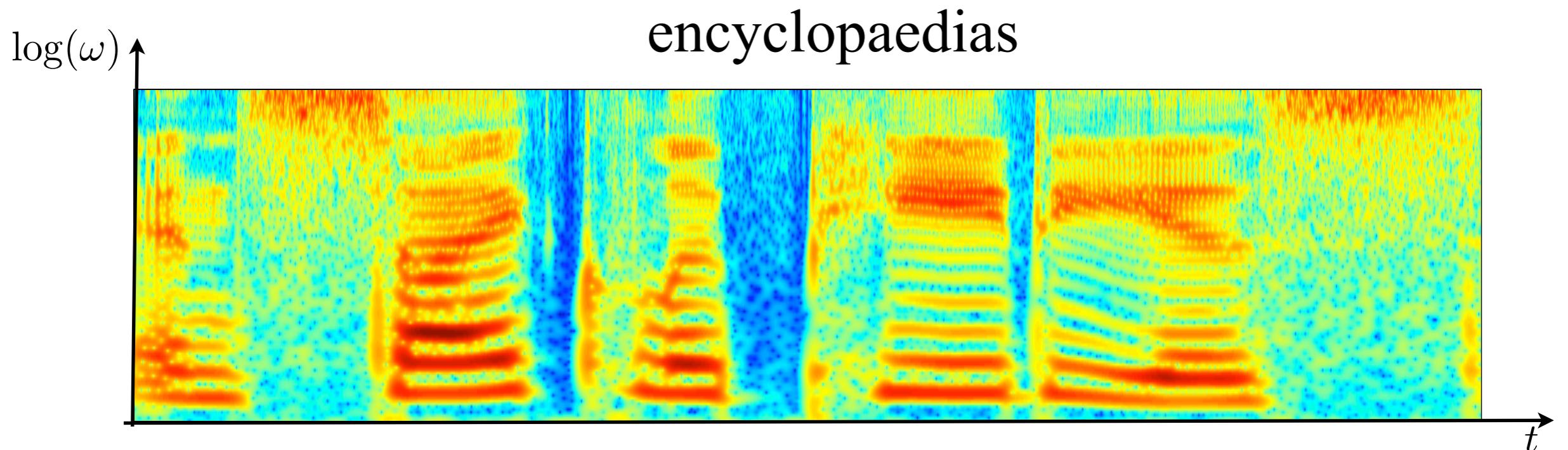


- Globally invariant to the translation group: small
- Locally invariant to small diffeomorphisms: huge group



*Video of Philipp Scott Johnson*

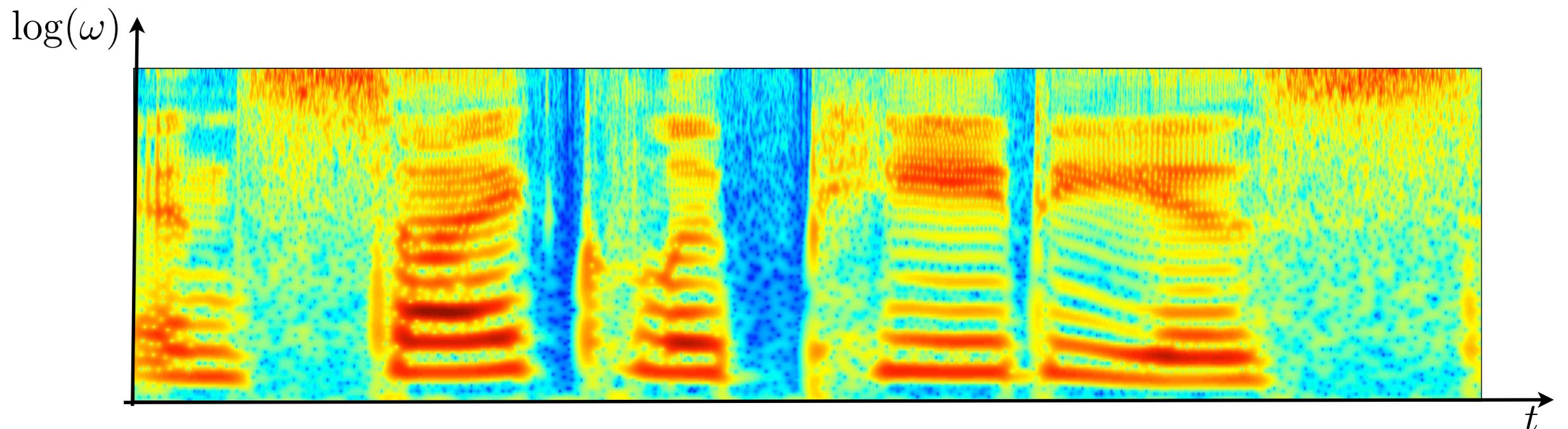
# Frequency Transpositions



$H$  : Heisenberg group of "time-frequency" translations

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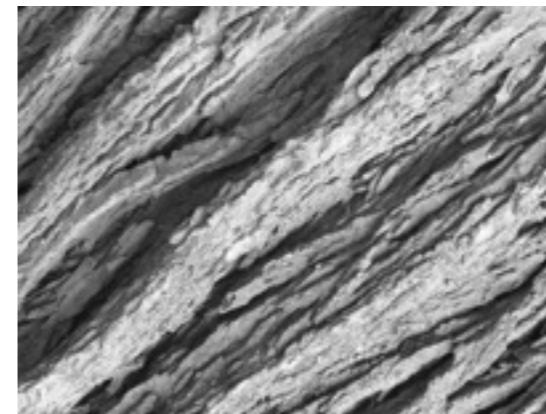
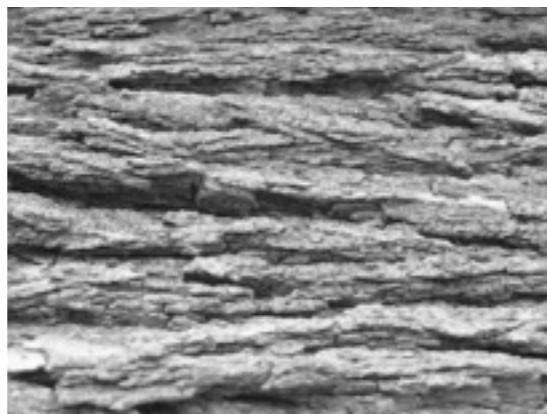
Time and frequency translations and deformations:



- Frequency transposition invariance is needed for speech recognition not for locutor recognition.

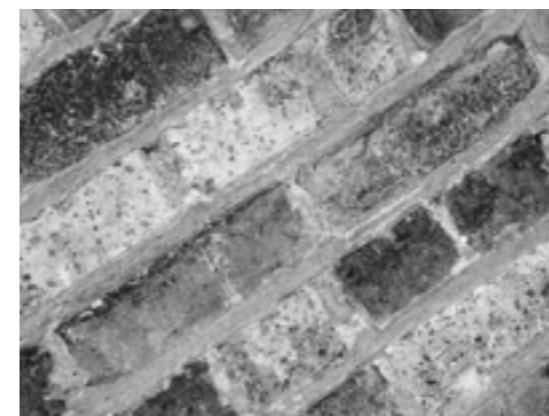
# Rotation and Scaling Variability

- Rotation and deformations



Group:  $SO(2) \times \text{Diff}(SO(2))$

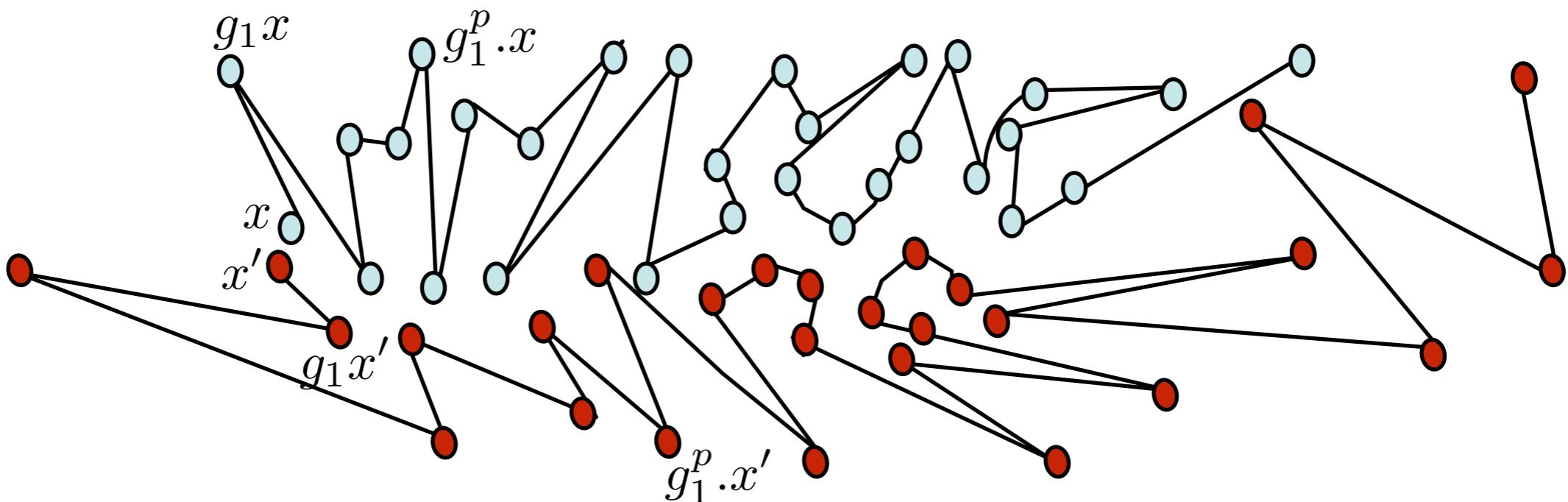
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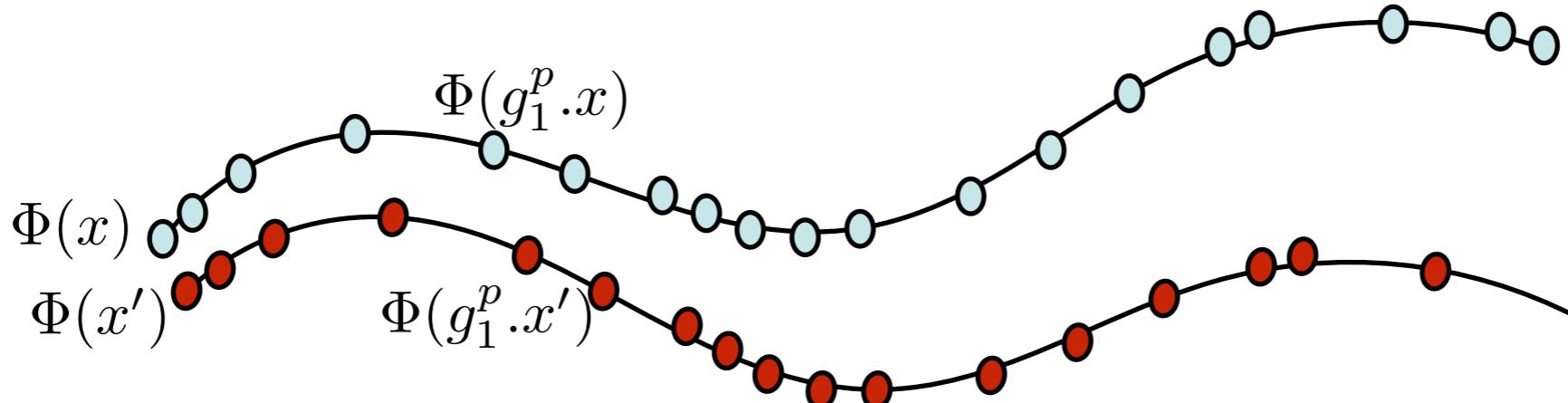
Group:  $\mathbb{R} \times \text{Diff}(\mathbb{R})$

# Linearize Symmetries

- A change of variable  $\Phi(x)$  must linearize the orbits  $\{g.x\}_{g \in G}$



- Linearise symmetries with a change of variable  $\Phi(x)$



- Lipschitz:  $\forall x, g : \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(g.x)\| \leq C \|g\|$

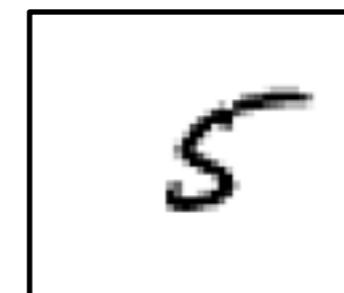
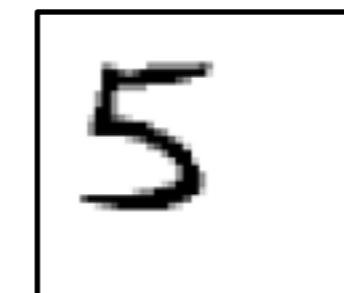
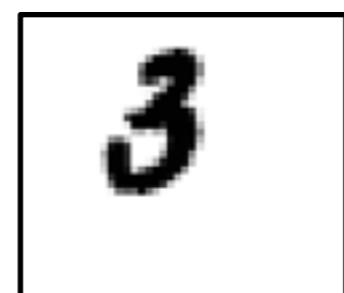
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Linearize small  
diffeomorphisms:  
 $\Rightarrow$  Lipschitz regular



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# Translations and Deformations

- Invariance to translations:

$$g.x(u) = x(u - c) \Rightarrow \Phi(g.x) = \Phi(x) .$$

- Small diffeomorphisms:  $g.x(u) = x(u - \tau(u))$

Metric:  $\|g\| = \|\nabla \tau\|_\infty$  maximum scaling

Linearisation by Lipschitz continuity

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- Discriminative change of variable:

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# Fourier Deformation Instability

- Fourier transform  $\hat{x}(\omega) = \int x(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$

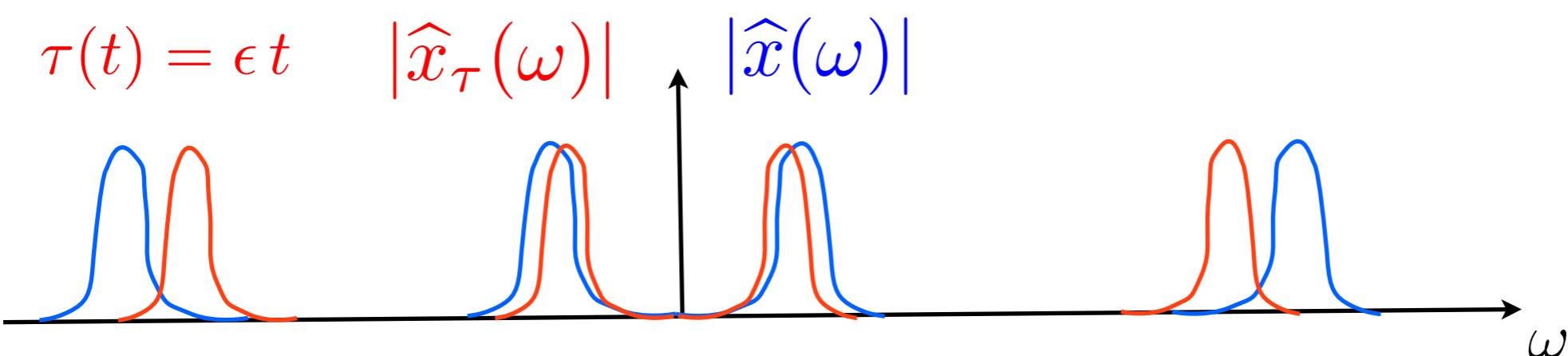
$$x_c(t) = x(t - c) \Rightarrow \hat{x}_c(\omega) = e^{-ic\omega} \hat{x}(\omega)$$

The modulus is invariant to translations:

$$\Phi(x) = |\hat{x}| = |\hat{x}_c|$$

- Instabilities to small deformations  $x_\tau(t) = x(t - \tau(t))$ :

$|||\hat{x}_\tau(\omega)| - |\hat{x}(\omega)||$  is big at high frequencies



$$\Rightarrow |||\hat{x}| - |\hat{x}_\tau||| \gg \|\nabla \tau\|_\infty \|x\|$$

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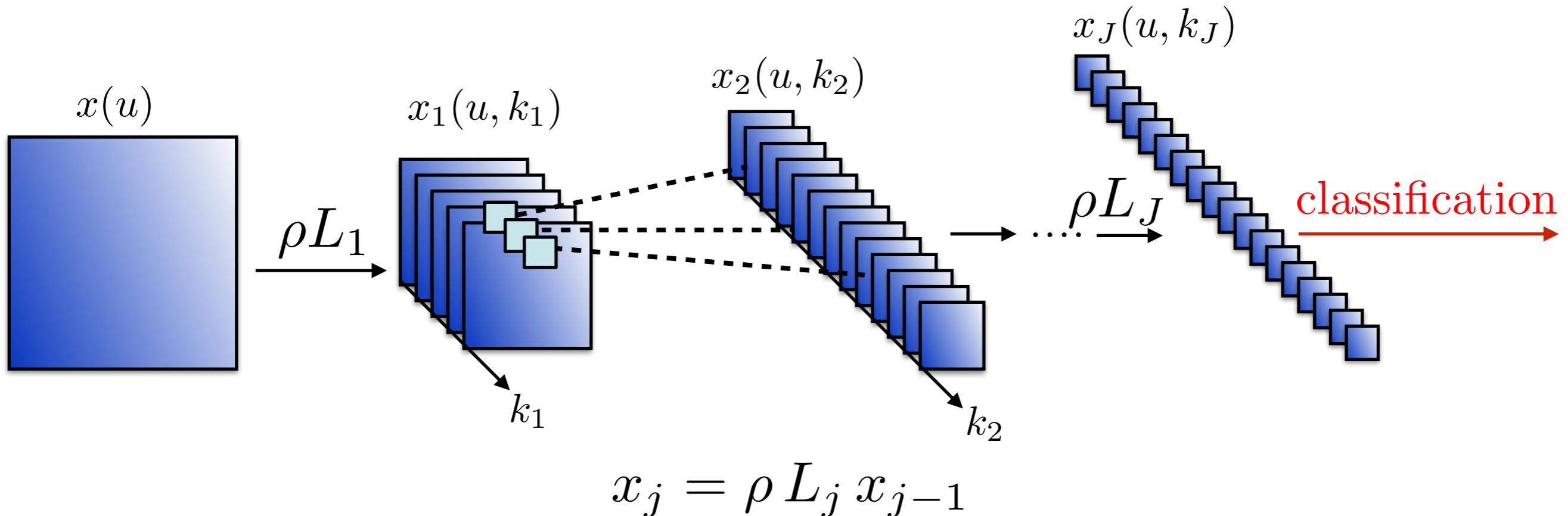


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# Deep Convolutional Trees



$L_j$  is composed of convolutions and subs samplings:

$$x_j(u, k_j) = \rho \left( x_{j-1}(\cdot, k) \star h_{k_j, k}(u) \right)$$

No channel communication: how far can we go ?

Why hierachical cascade ?

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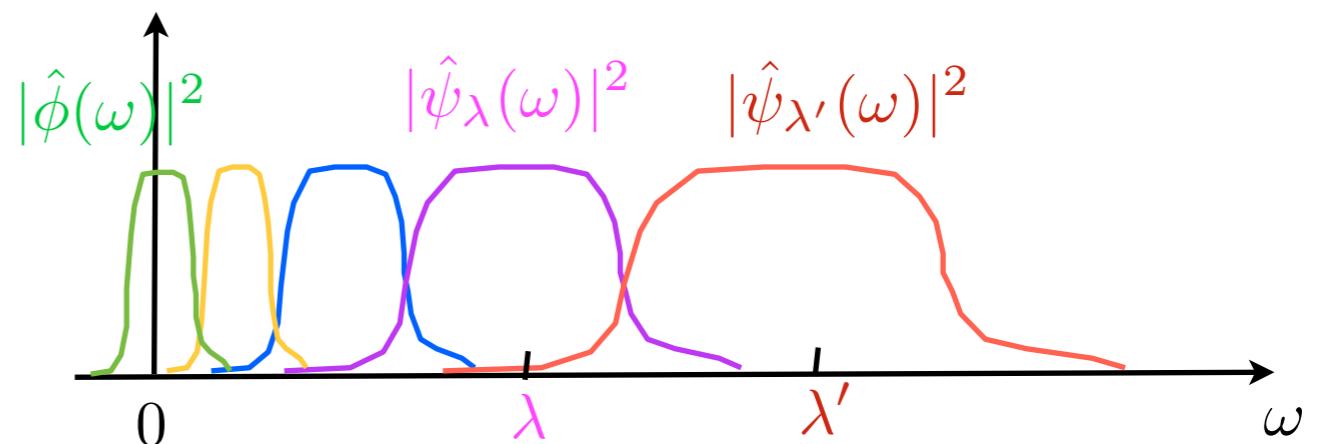
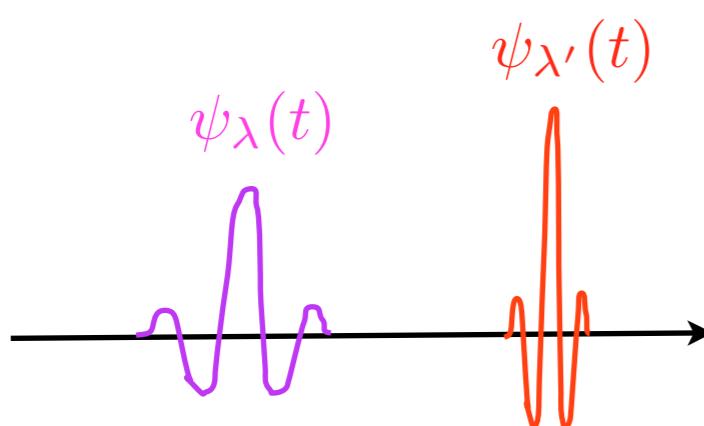
# Overview Part II

- Wavelet Scattering transform along translations
- Generation of textures and random processes
- Channel connections for more general groups
- Image and audio classification with small training sets
- Quantum chemistry
- Open problems

*Understanding Deep Convolutional Networks*, arXiv 2016.

# Multiscale Wavelet Transform

- Dilated wavelets:  $\psi_\lambda(t) = 2^{-j/Q} \psi(2^{-j/Q}t)$  with  $\lambda = 2^{-j/Q}$



$Q$ -constant band-pass filters  $\hat{\psi}_\lambda$

$$x \star \psi_\lambda(t) = \int x(u) \psi_\lambda(t-u) du \Rightarrow \widehat{x \star \psi_\lambda}(\omega) = \hat{x}(\omega) \hat{\psi}_\lambda(\omega)$$

- Wavelet transform:  $Wx = \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ x \star \psi_\lambda(t) \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda \leq 2^J}$ 
  - : average
  - : higher frequencies

Preserves norm:  $\|Wx\|^2 = \|x\|^2$ .



# Why Wavelets ?

- Wavelets are uniformly stable to deformations:

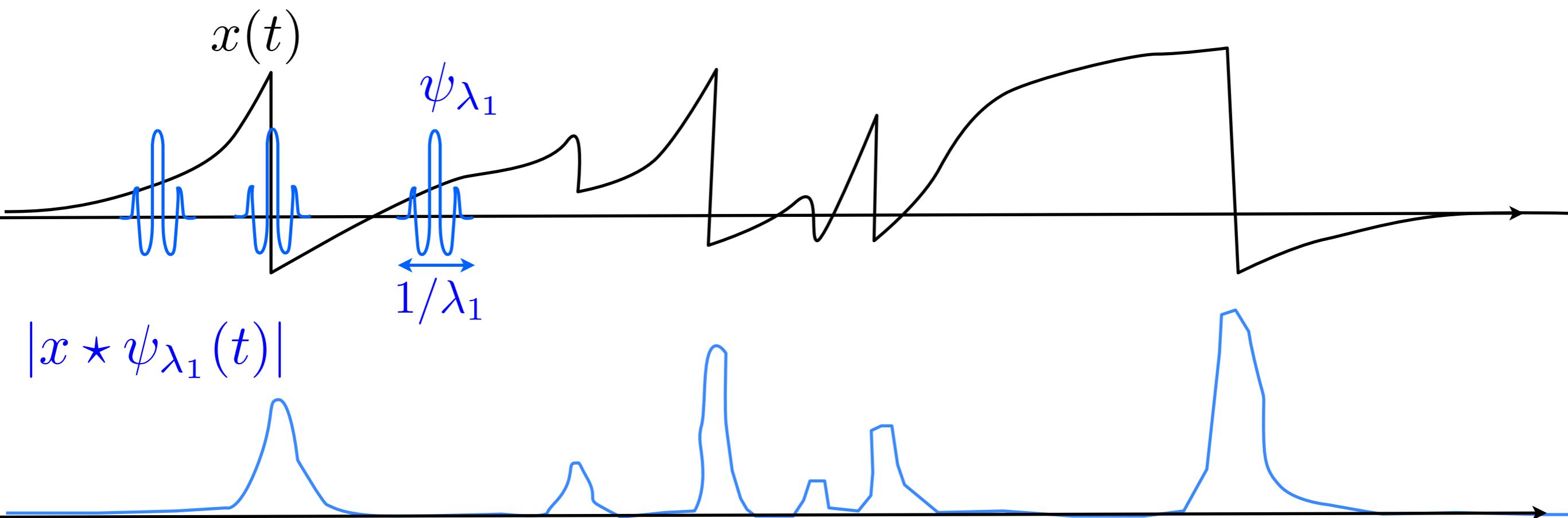
if  $\psi_{\lambda,\tau}(t) = \psi_\lambda(t - \tau(t))$  then

$$\|\psi_\lambda - \psi_{\lambda,\tau}\| \leq C \sup_t |\nabla \tau(t)| .$$

- Wavelets separate multiscale information.
- Wavelets provide sparse representations.

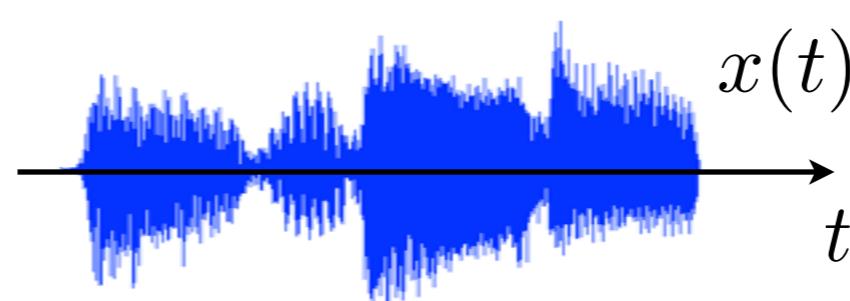
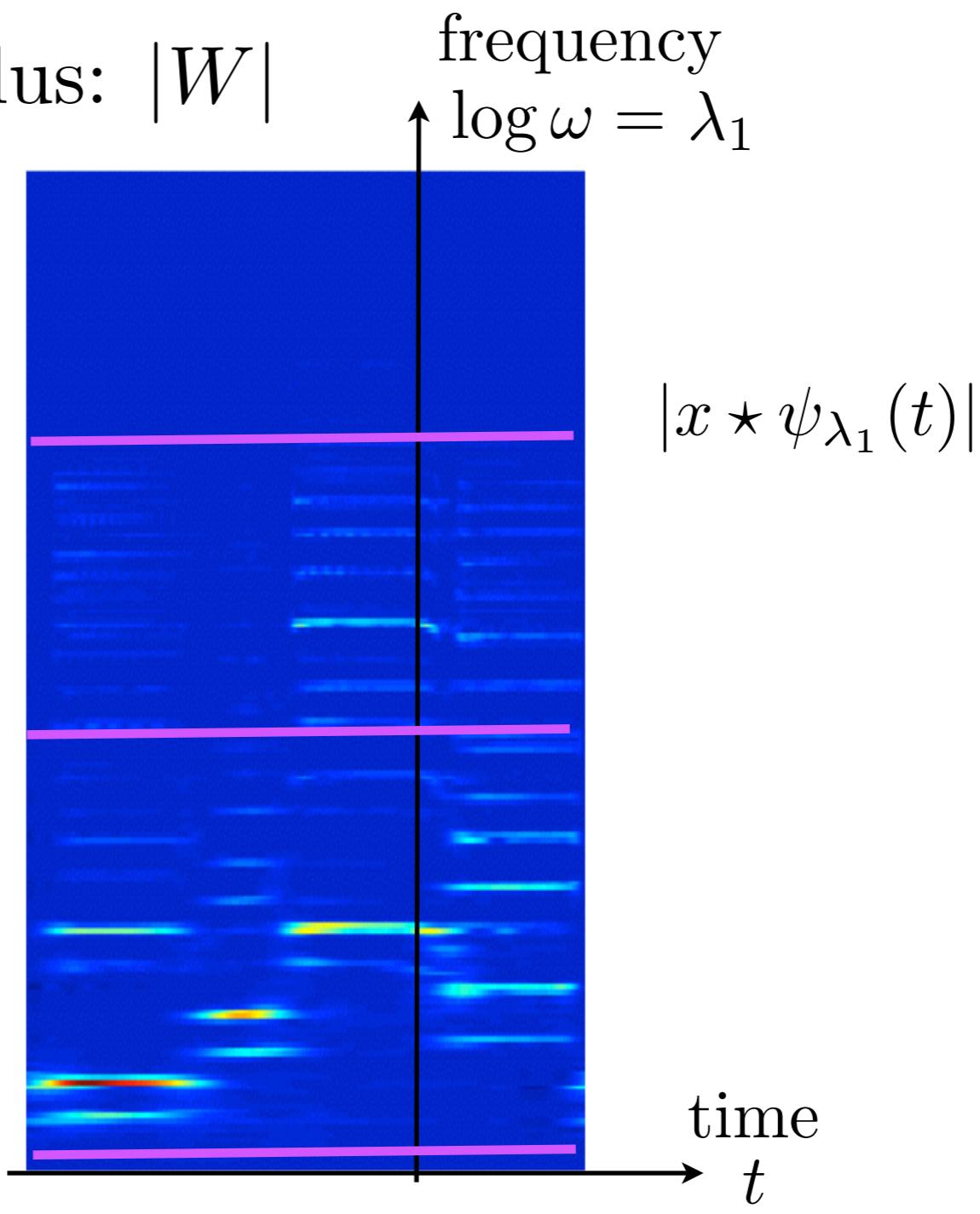
# Singular Functions

$$|x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}(t)| = \left| \int x(u) \psi_{\lambda_1}(t-u) du \right|$$



# Time-Frequency Fibers

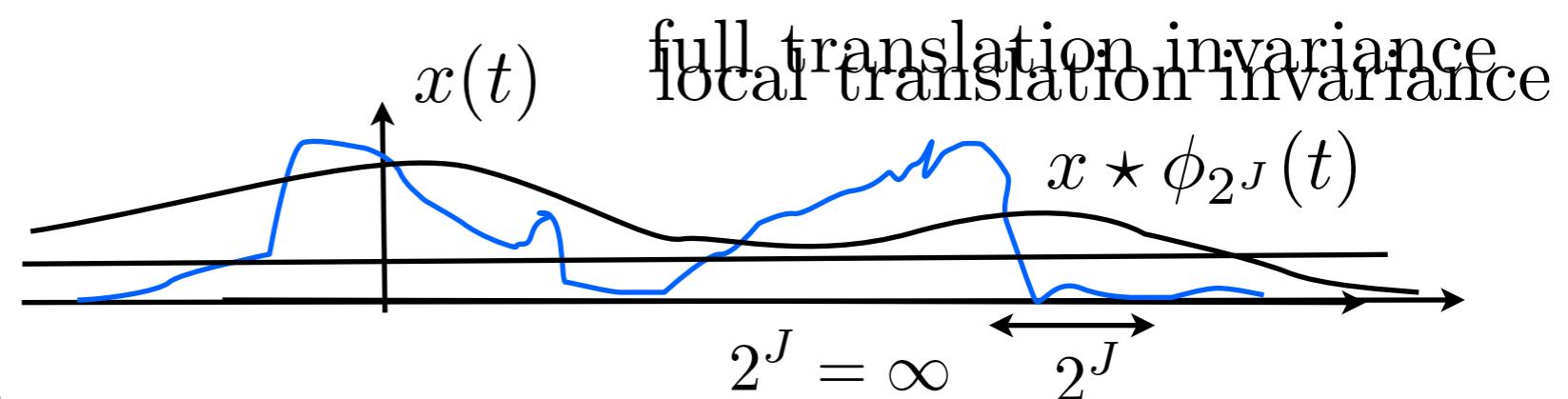
Wavelet transform modulus:  $|W|$



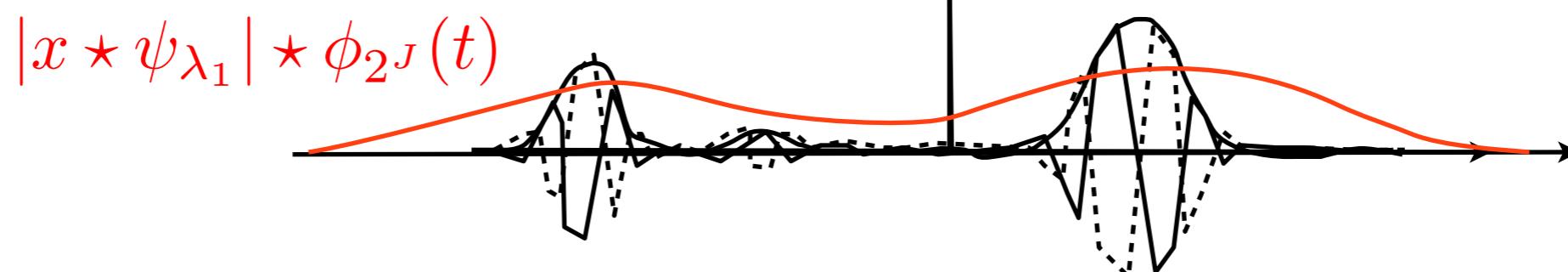
# Wavelet Translation Invariance

First wavelet transform

$$W_1^x \equiv \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi_{2^J} \\ x \star \psi_{\lambda_1} \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda_1}$$



Modulus improves invariance:  $|x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_1}(t) \approx \psi_{\lambda_1}^a \star (\psi_{\lambda_1}^a)^2(t) \approx |x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}|^2(t)$

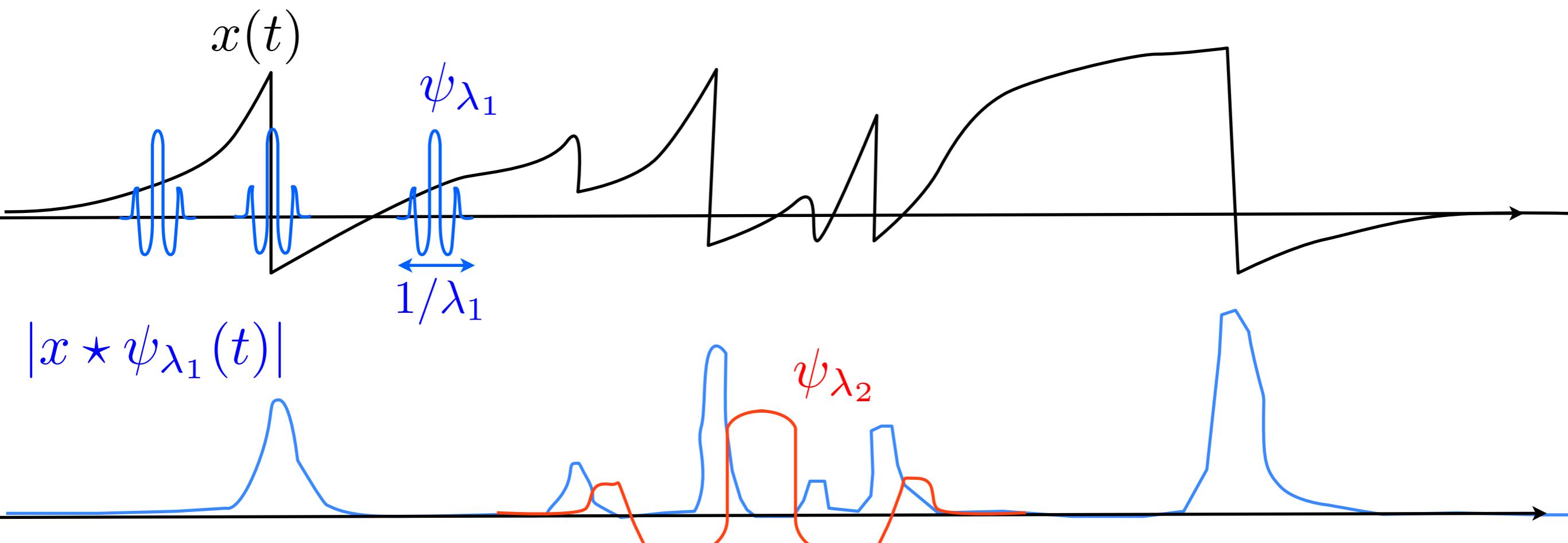


Second wavelet transform modulus

$$|W_2| |x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| = \begin{pmatrix} |x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ ||x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}(t)| \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda_2}$$

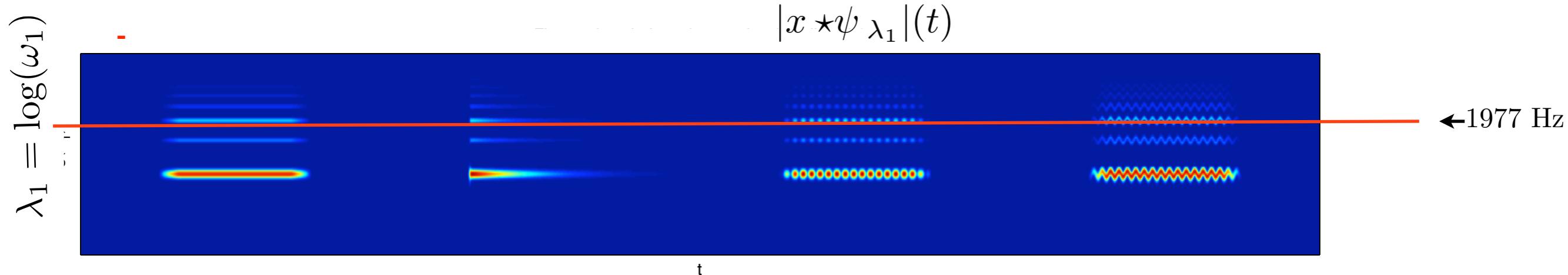
# Singular Functions

$$|x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}(t)| = \left| \int x(u) \psi_{\lambda_1}(t-u) du \right|$$



# Amplitude Modulation

Harmonic sound:  $x(t) = a(t) e \star h(t)$  with varying  $a(t)$



# ScatteringConvolution Network

1D

$$\log \omega = \lambda_1 \quad |x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}(t)|$$

 $x(t)$  $t$ 

$$|W_1| \\ Q_1 = 16$$

Output:

Mel Frequency  
Spectrum

window:  $2^J ms$  $\lambda_1$ 

time average

$$|x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t)$$

 $2^J$ 

no vertical  
connection

3D

 $\lambda_1$ 

$$|W_2|$$

$$Q_2 = 1$$

Output:

Modulation  
Spectrum

 $2^J$  $\lambda_2$  $\lambda_1$ 

time average

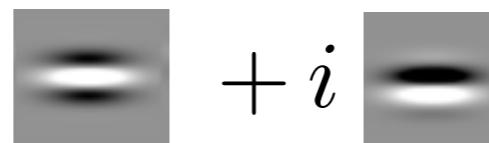
$$|W_3|$$

$$||x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t)$$

 $2^J$  $\lambda_2$  $t$  $t$  $t$  $t$

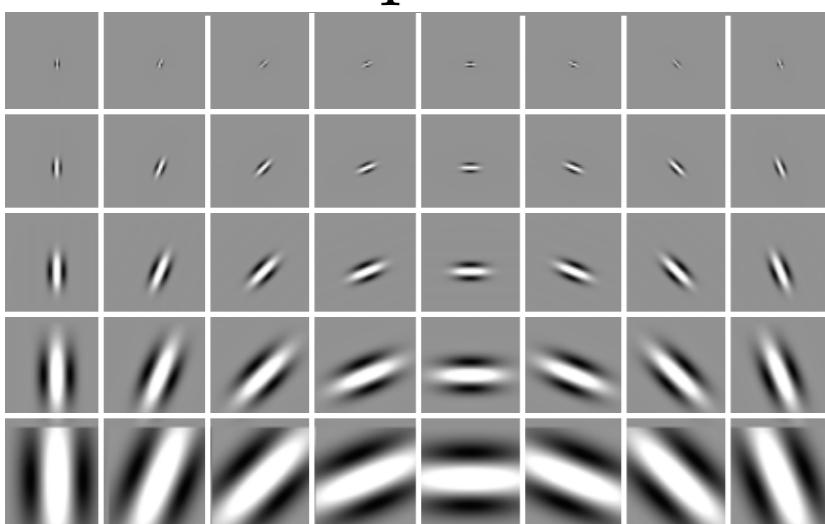
# Scale separation with Wavelets

- Wavelet filter  $\psi(u)$ :

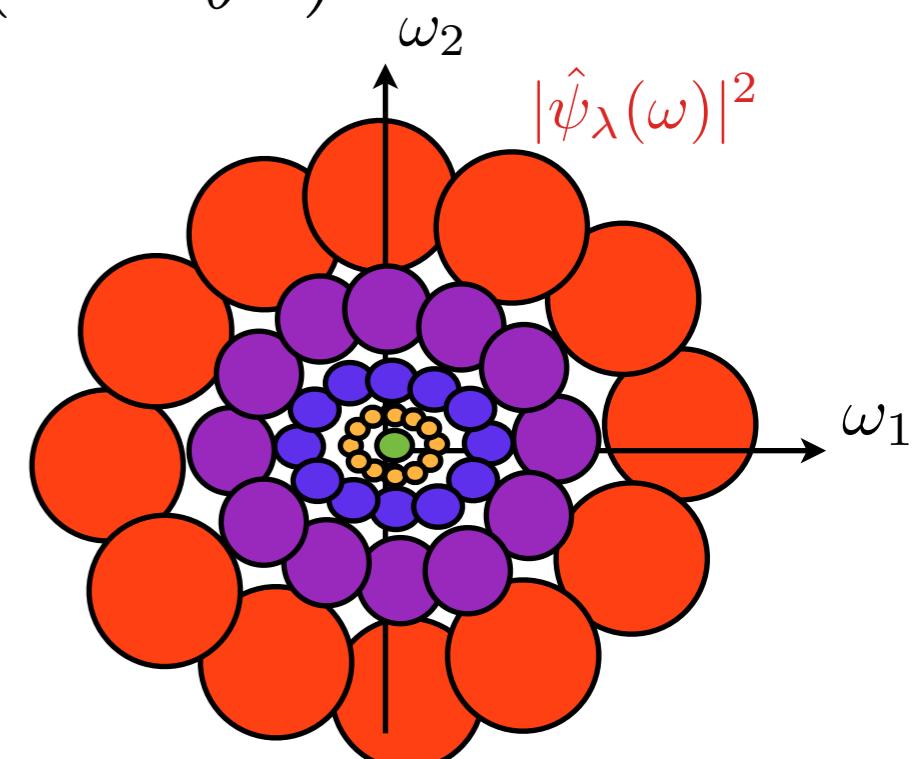
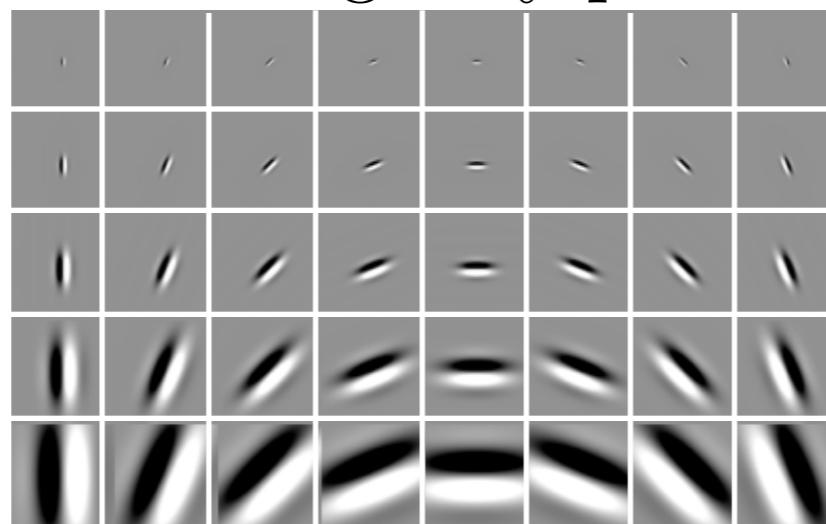


rotated and dilated:  $\psi_{2^j, \theta}(u) = 2^{-j} \psi(2^{-j} r_\theta u)$

real parts



imaginary parts



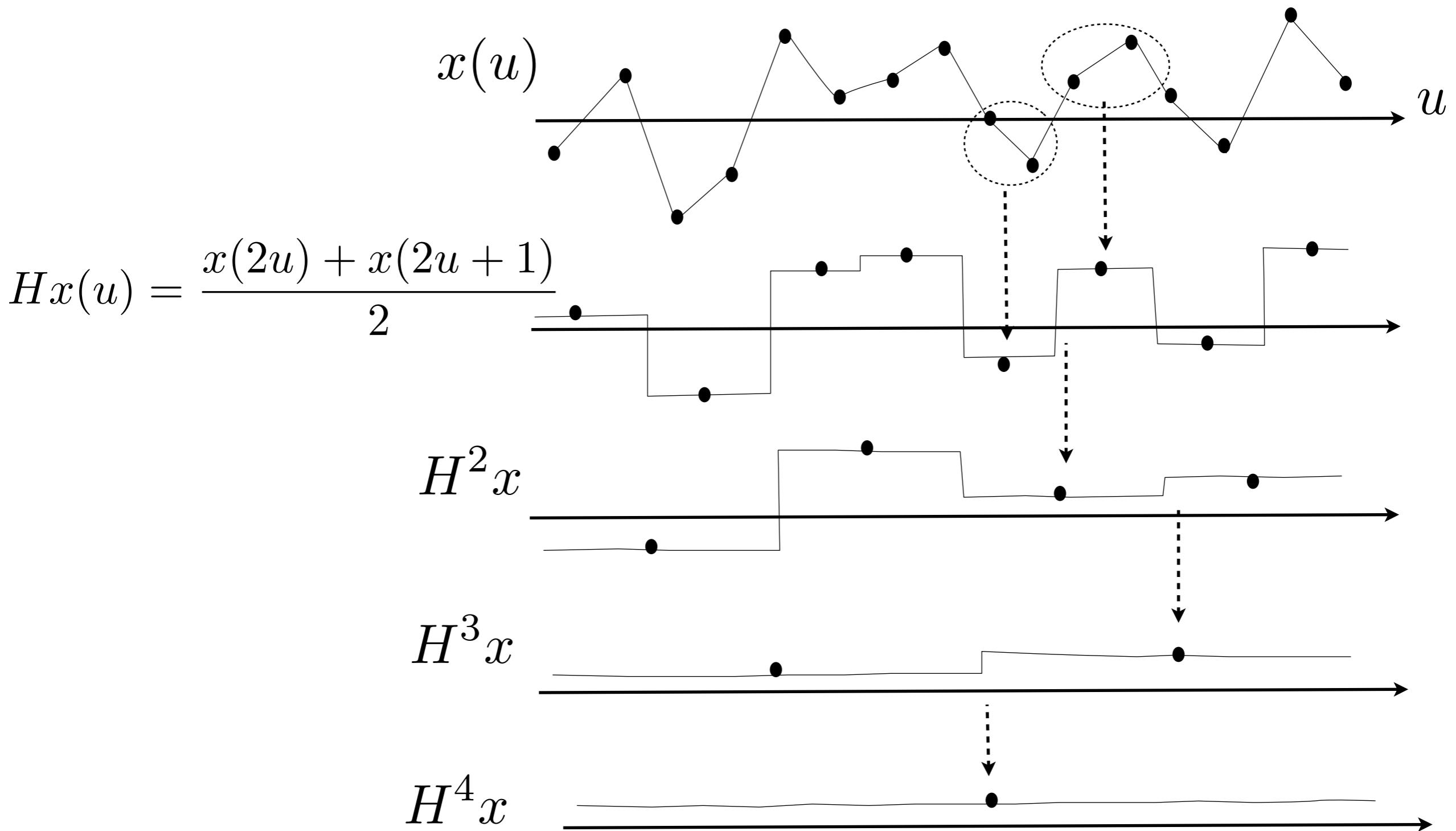
$$x \star \psi_{2^j, \theta}(u) = \int x(v) \psi_{2^j, \theta}(u - v) dv$$

- Wavelet transform:  $Wx = \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi_{2^J}(u) \\ x \star \psi_{2^j, \theta}(u) \end{pmatrix}_{j \leq J, \theta}$
- : average  
: higher frequencies

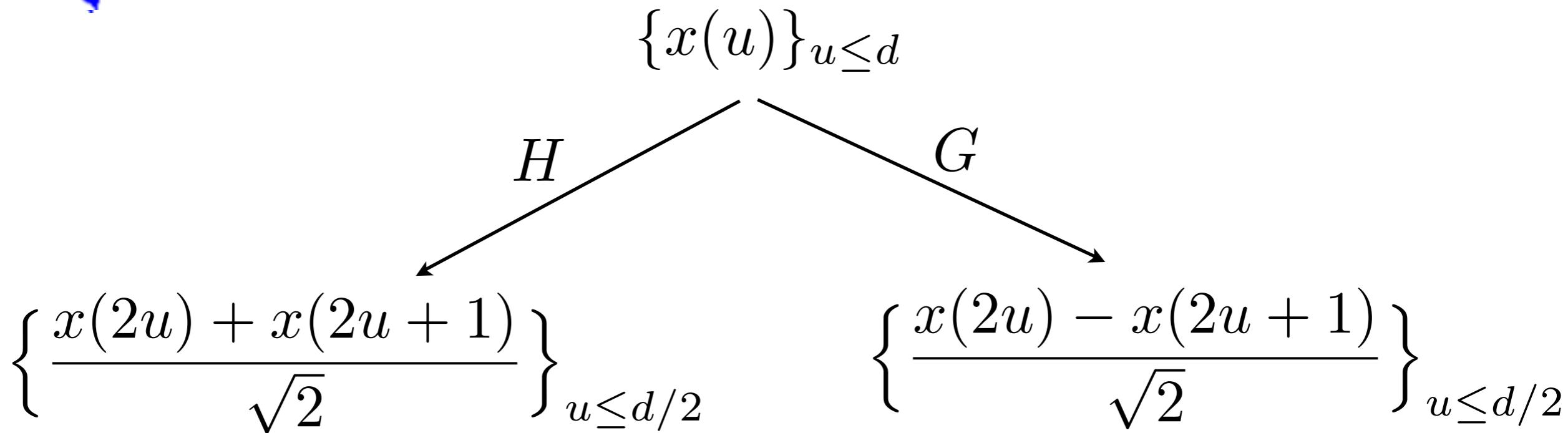
Preserves norm:  $\|Wx\|^2 = \|x\|^2$ .

# Averaging Pyramid

- Multiscale averaging by cascade of pair averaging:



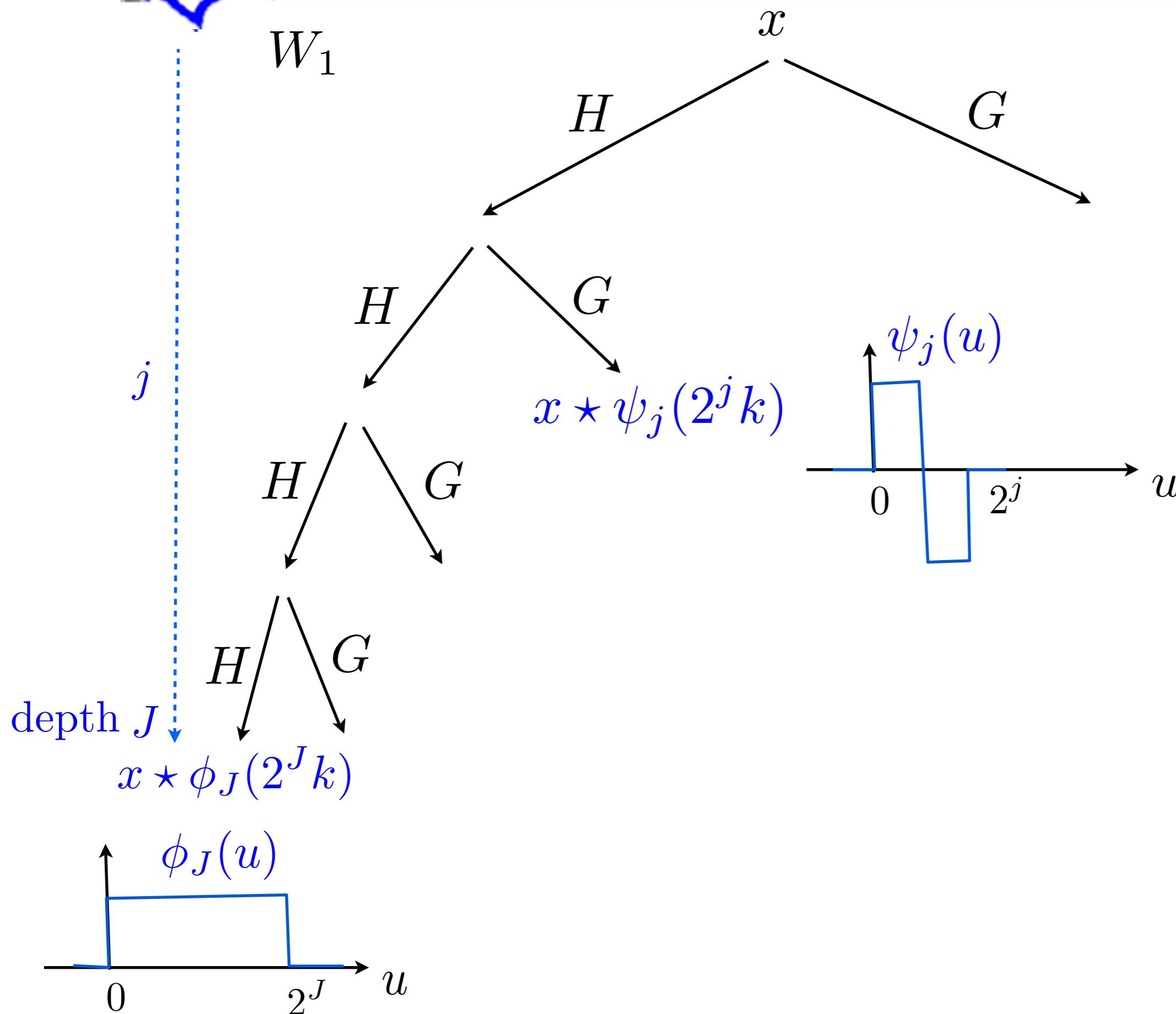
# Haar Filtering



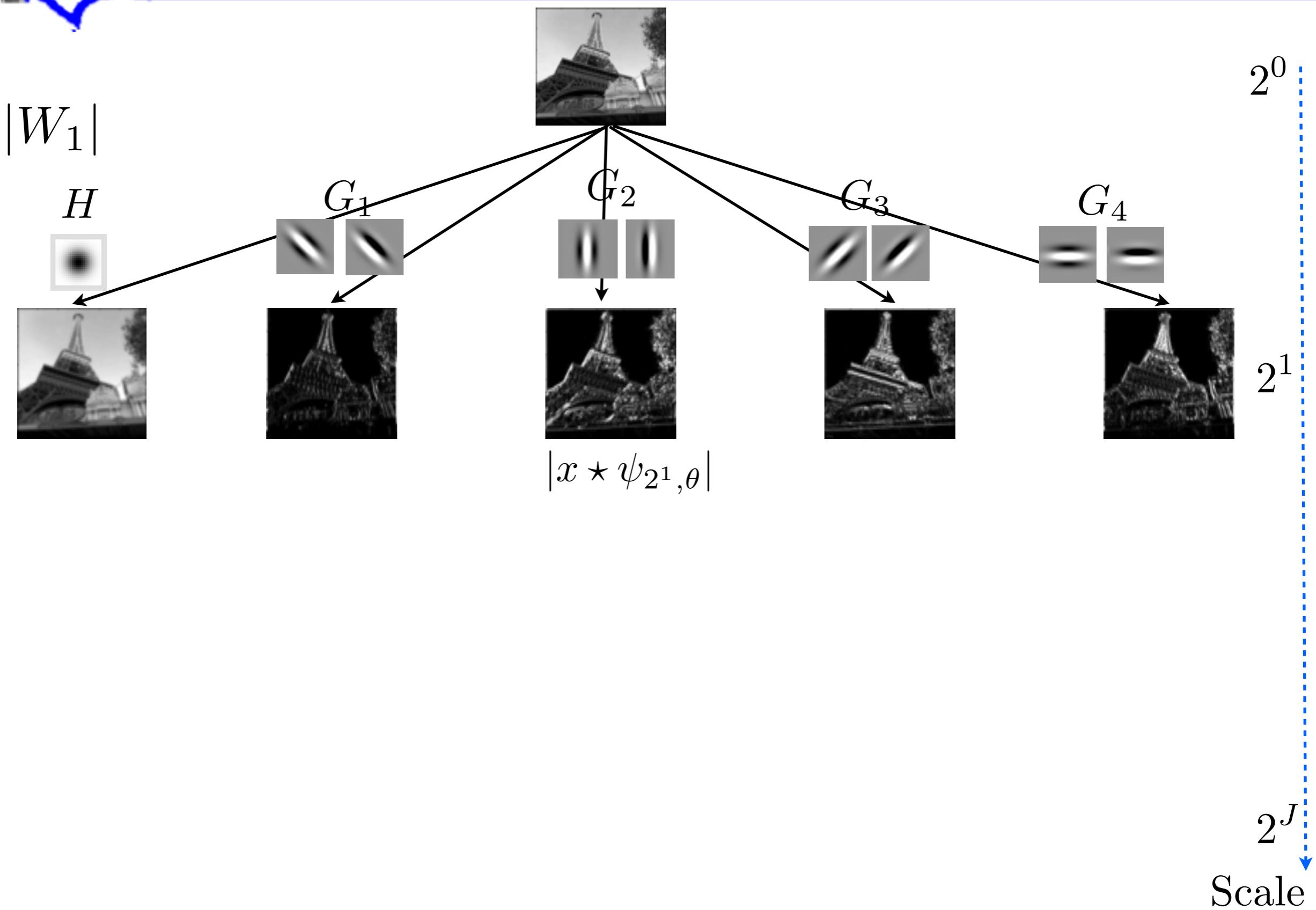
$$Hx(u) = x \star h(2u) \text{ and } Gx(u) = x \star g(2u)$$

where  $h$  is a low frequency and  $g$  is a high frequency filter.

# Haar Wavelet Transform



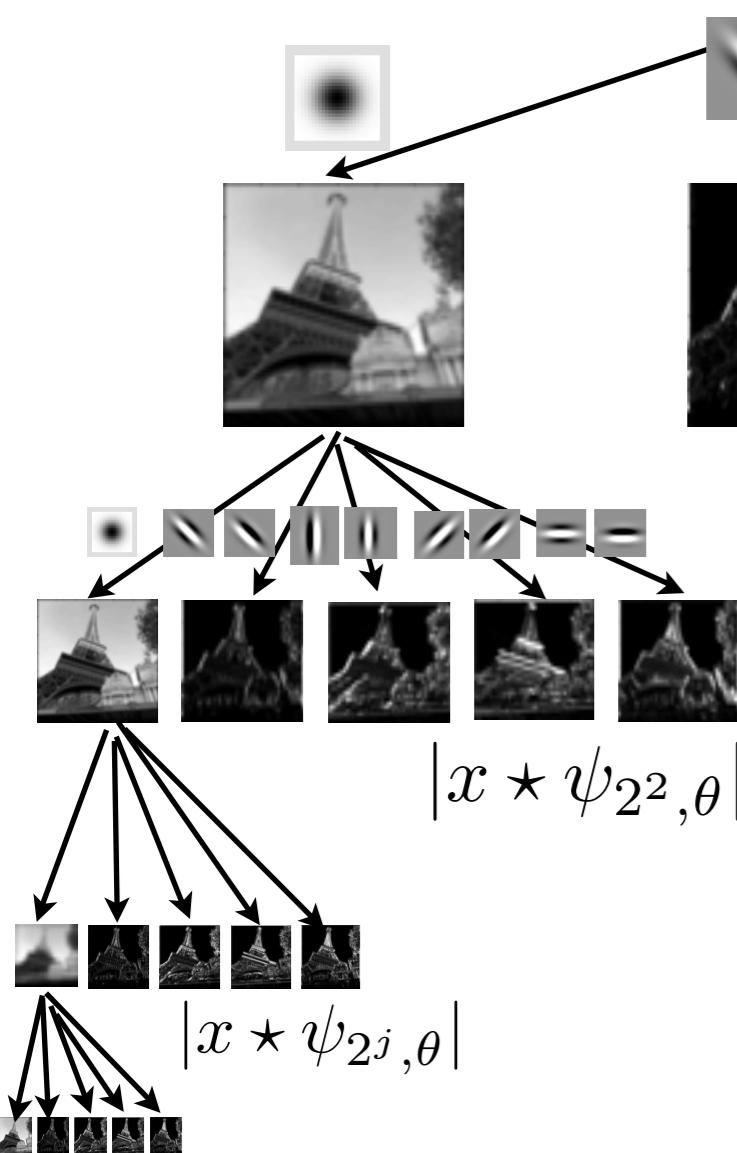
# Fast Wavelet Filter Bank



# Wavelet Filter Bank

$$\rho(\alpha) = |\alpha|$$

$$|W_1|$$

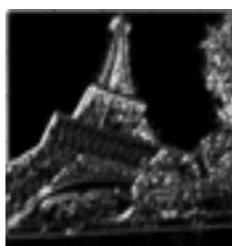
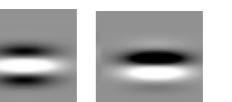
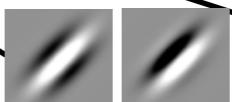
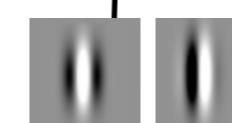


- Sparse representation



$$x(u)$$

$$2^0$$



$$2^1$$

$$|x \star \psi_{2^1, \theta}|$$

$$2^2$$

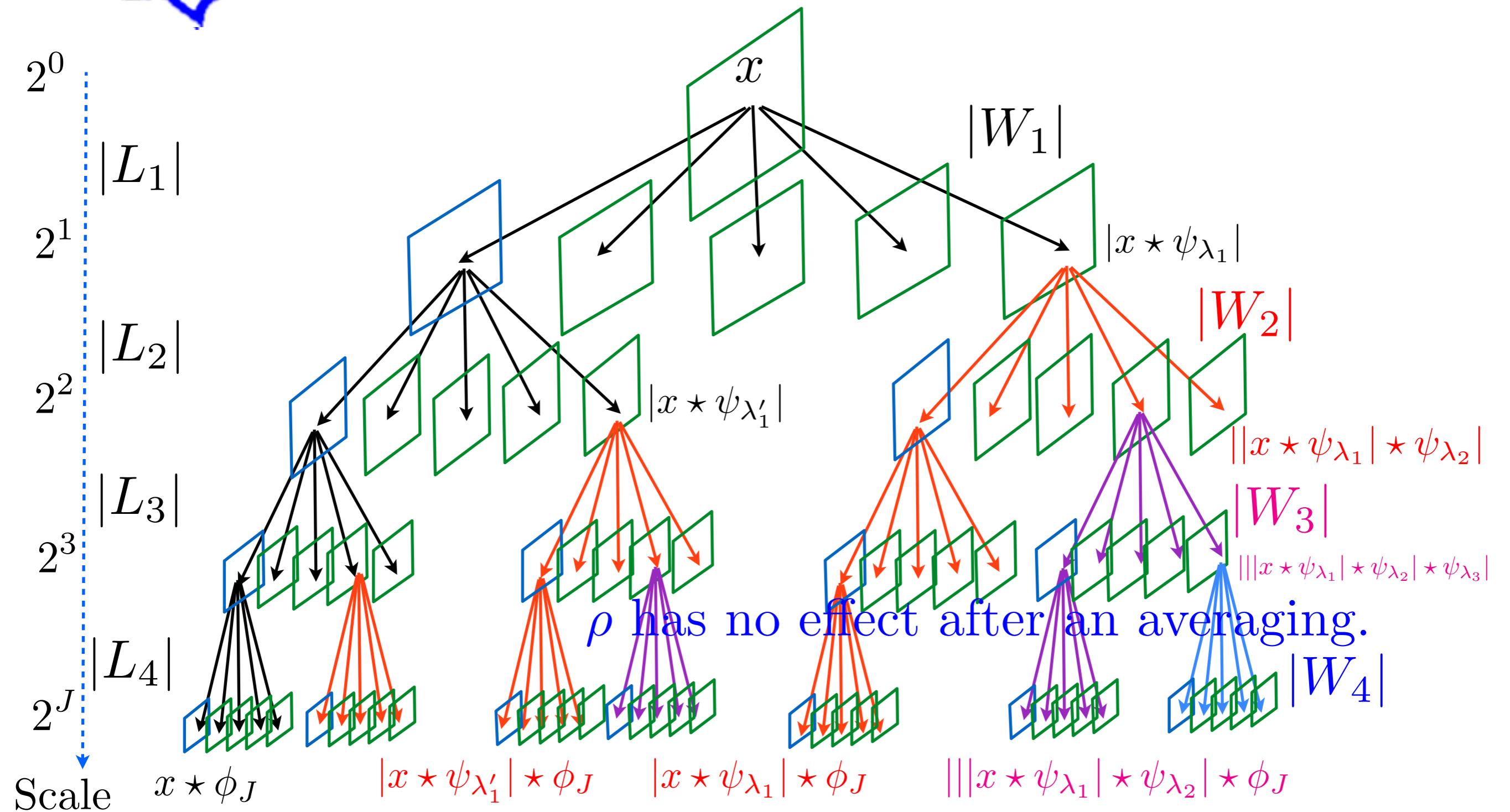
If  $u \geq 0$  then  $\rho(u) = u$

$\rho$  has no effect after an averaging.

$$2^J$$

Scale

# Wavelet Convolution Network Tree



$$S_4 x = |L_4| |L_3| |L_2| |L_1| x = |W_4| |W_3| |W_2| |W_1| x$$

# Contraction

$$Wx = \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi(t) \\ x \star \psi_\lambda(t) \end{pmatrix}_{t,\lambda} \quad \text{is linear and } \|Wx\| = \|x\|$$

$$\rho(u) = |u|$$

$$|W|x = \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi(t) \\ |x \star \psi_\lambda(t)| \end{pmatrix}_{t,\lambda} \quad \text{is non-linear}$$

- it is contractive  $\||W|x - |W|y\| \leq \|x - y\|$

because for  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{C}^2$   $||a| - |b|| \leq |a - b|$

- it preserves the norm  $\||W|x\| = \|x\|$

# Scattering Properties

$$S_J x = \begin{pmatrix} x \star \phi_{2^J} \\ |x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \phi_{2^J} \\ ||x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \phi_{2^J} \\ |||x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \psi_{\lambda_3}| \star \phi_{2^J} \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots} = \dots |W_3| |W_2| |W_1| x$$

**Lemma:**  $\|x\|_{W_k \rightarrow D_\tau} = \|x\|_{W_k \star W_k D_\tau W_k' D_\tau W_k} \leq C' \|\nabla \tau\|_\infty$

**Theorem:** For appropriate wavelets, a scattering is

contractive  $\|S_J x - S_J y\| \leq \|x - y\|$  ( $L^2$  stability)

preserves norms  $\|S_J x\| = \|x\|$

translations invariance and deformation stability:

if  $D_\tau x(u) = x(u - \tau(u))$  then

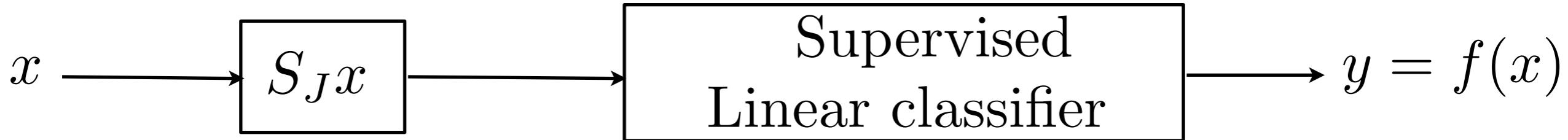
$$\lim_{J \rightarrow \infty} \|S_J D_\tau x - S_J x\| \leq C \|\nabla \tau\|_\infty \|x\|$$

# Digit Classification: MNIST



3 6 8 / 7 9 b 6 9 1  
6 7 5 7 8 6 3 4 8 5  
2 1 7 9 7 1 2 8 7 6  
4 8 1 9 0 1 8 8 9 4

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Invariants to translations

Linearises small deformations

No learning

Invariants to specific deformations

Separates different patterns

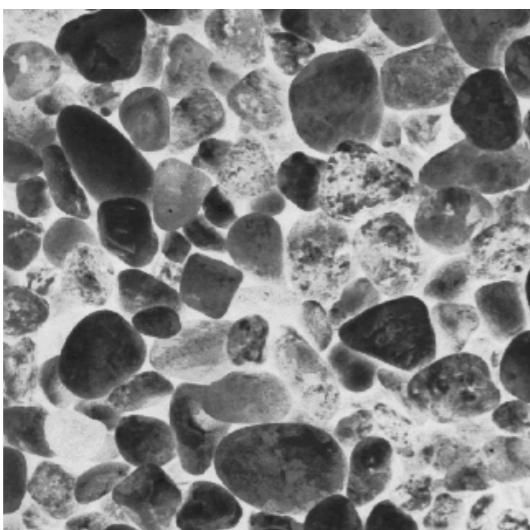
## Classification Errors

Training size	Conv. Net.	Scattering
50000	0.4%	0.4%

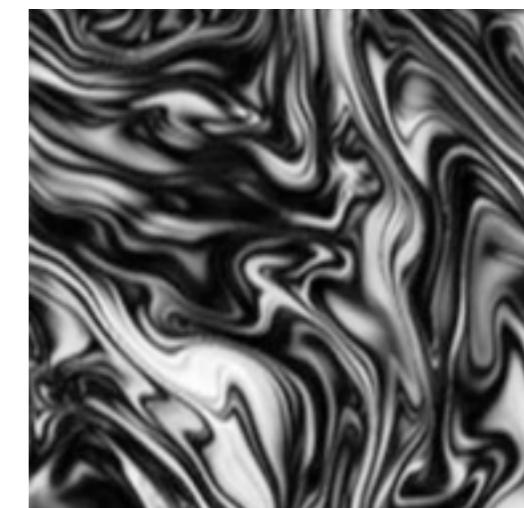
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# Classification of Stationary Textures

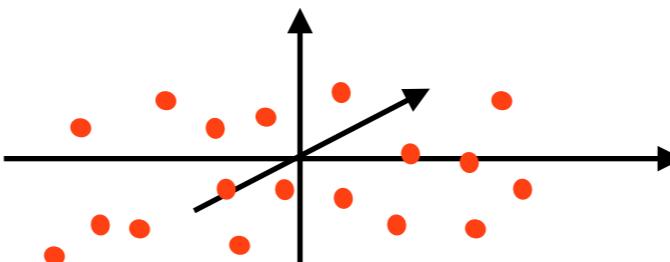
$\Omega_1$



2D Turbulence  
 $\Omega_2$



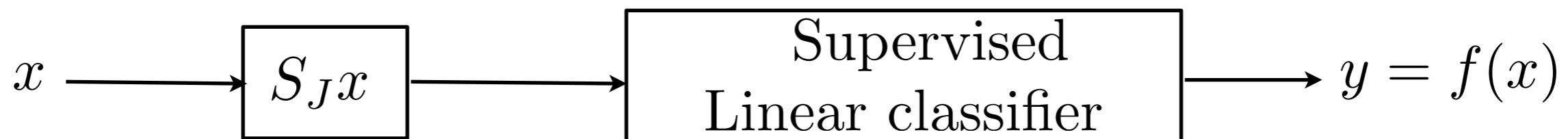
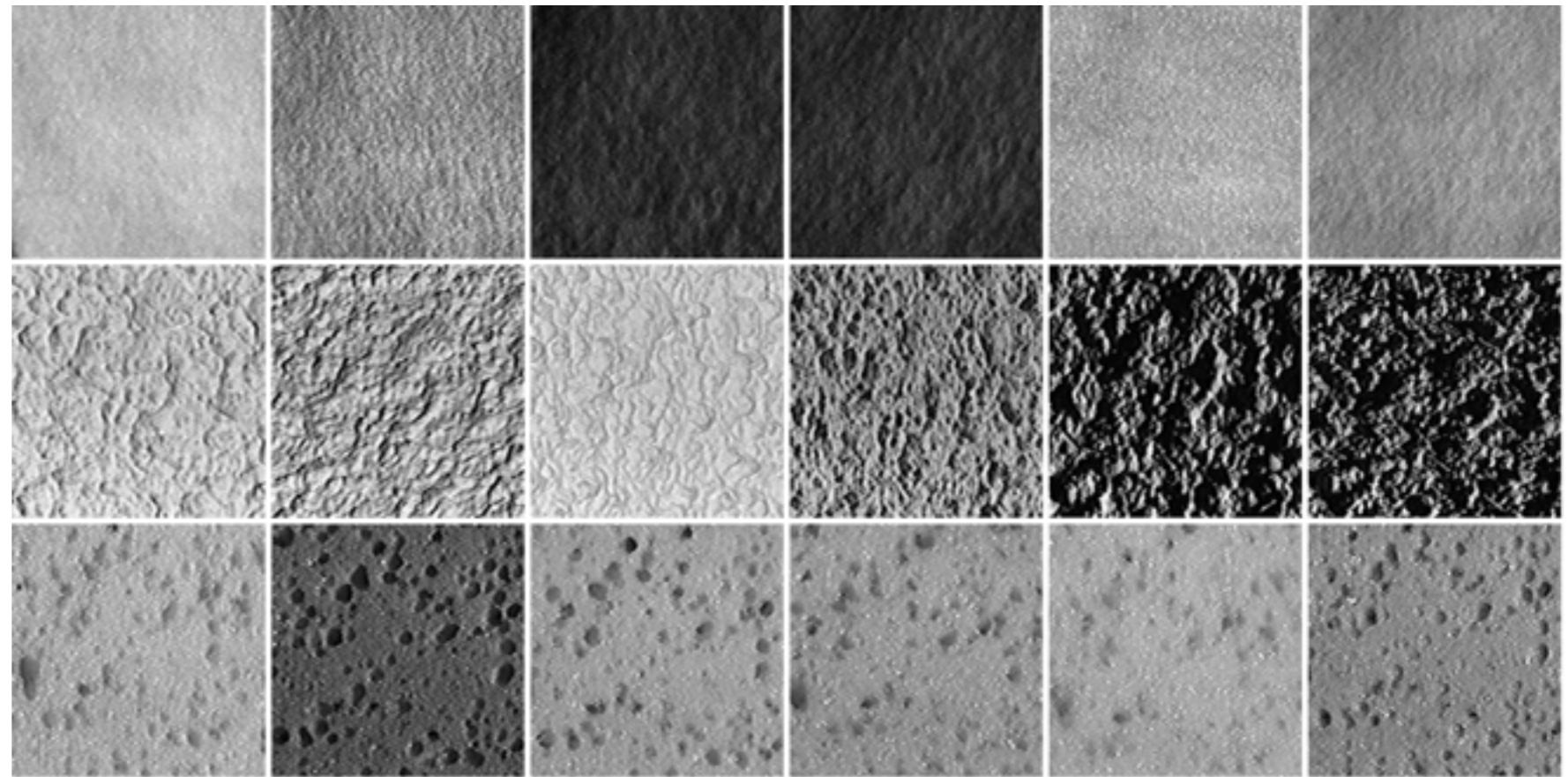
- What stochastic models ?  
Non Gaussian with long-range dependance.
- Can we "Gaussianize" (linearize) such distributions in a reduced dimensional space ?



# Classification of Textures

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CUREt database



Classification Errors

Training per class	Fourier Spectr.	Scattering
46	1%	<b>0.2 %</b>

# Scattering Moments of Processes

The scattering transform of a stationary process  $X(t)$

$$S_J X = \begin{pmatrix} X \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ |X \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ ||X \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ |||X \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \psi_{\lambda_3}| \star \phi_{2^J}(t) \\ \dots \\ \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots}$$

: stationary vector

$J \rightarrow \infty$

Central limit theorem  
with "weak" ergodicity conditions

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Gaussian distribution:  $\mathcal{N}\left(\mathbb{E}(SX), \Sigma_J \rightarrow 0\right)$

$$\mathbb{E}(SX) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}(X) \\ \mathbb{E}(|X \star \psi_{\lambda_1}|) \\ \mathbb{E}(|X \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}|) \\ \mathbb{E}(|X \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}| \star \psi_{\lambda_3}|) \\ \dots \\ \end{pmatrix}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots}$$

: scattering moments

# Scattering Moments of Processes

The scattering transform of a stationary process  $X(t)$

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$J \rightarrow \infty$

Central limit theorem  
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Gaussian distribution:  $\mathcal{N}\left(\mathbb{E}(SX), \Sigma_J \rightarrow 0\right)$

- Reconstruction: compute  $\tilde{X}$  which minimises

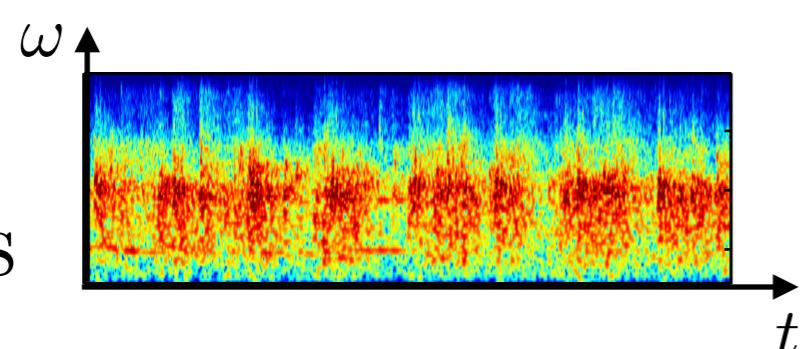
$$\|S_J \tilde{X} - S_J X\|^2$$

- Gradient descent

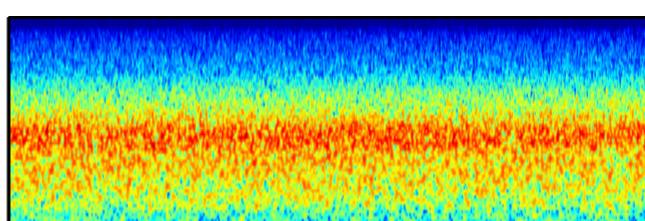
# Representation of Audio Textures

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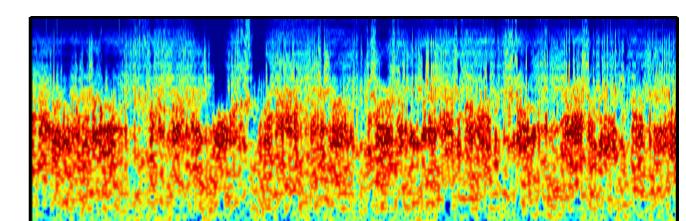
Original



Gaussian  
in time

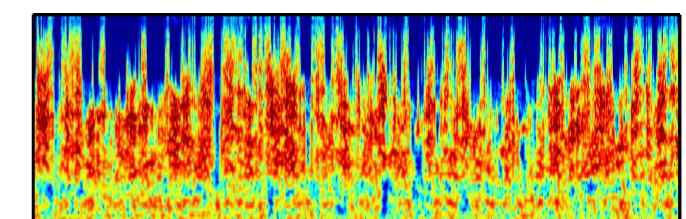
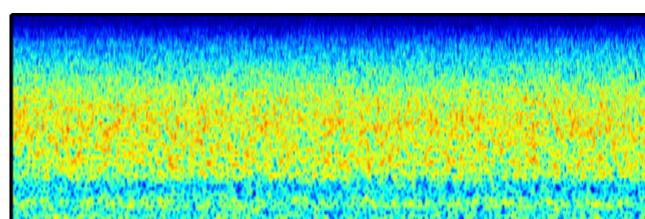
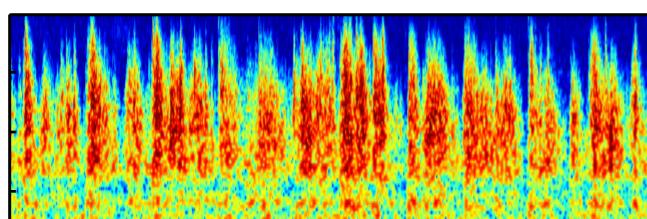


Gaussian  
in scattering



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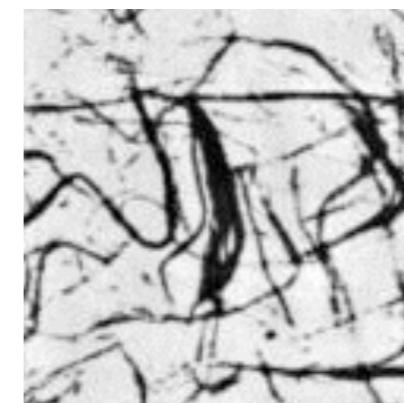
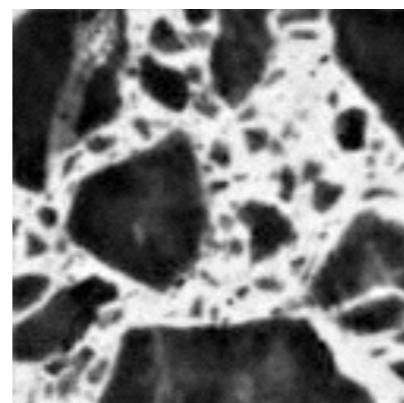
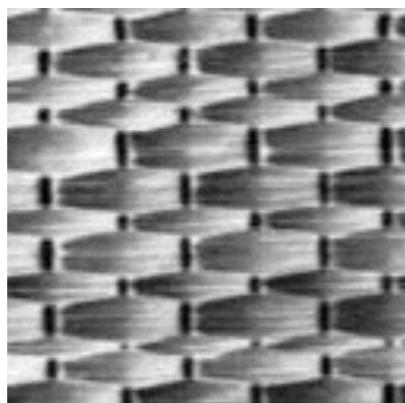
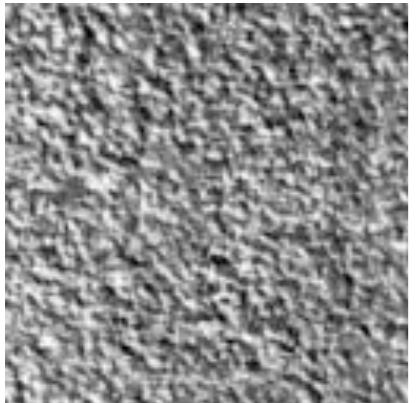


Cocktail Party

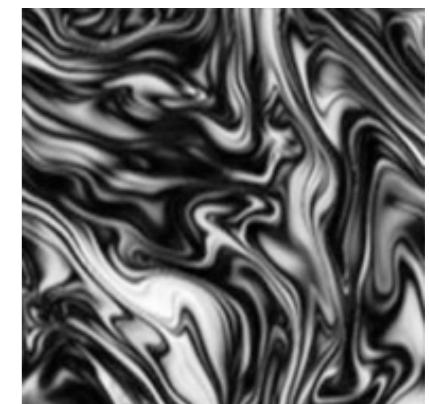
# Ergodic Texture Reconstructions

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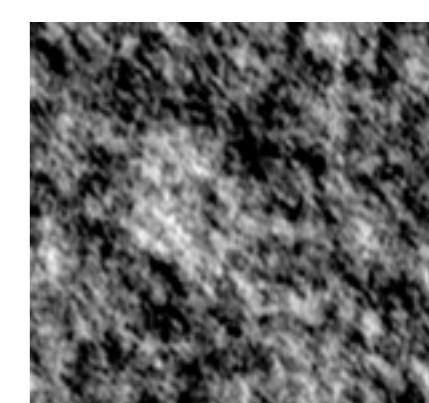
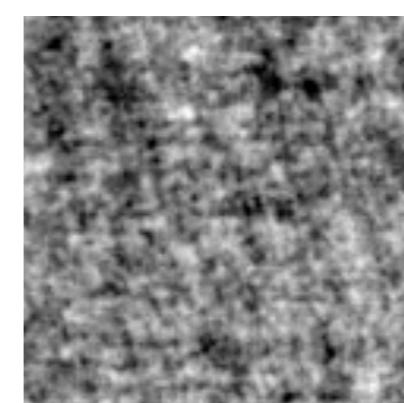
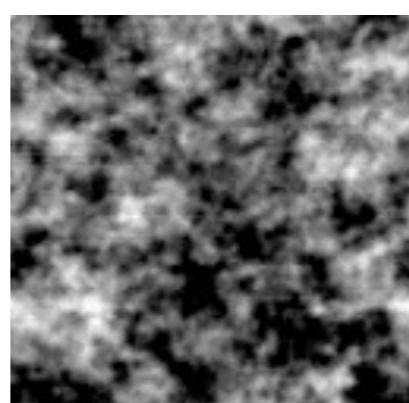
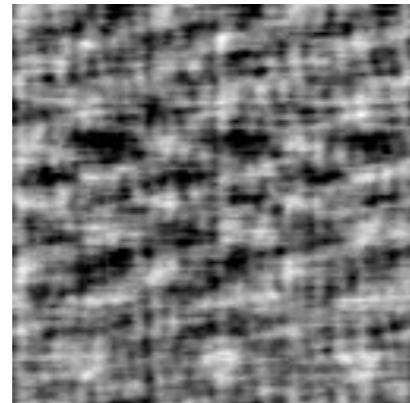
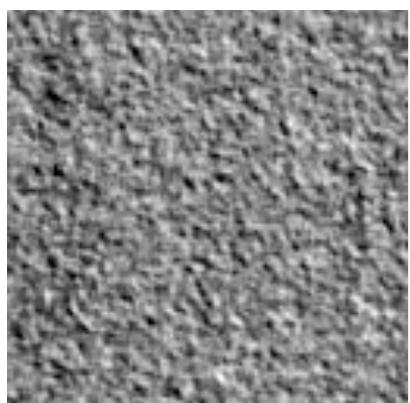
Textures of  $N$  pixels



2D Turbulence

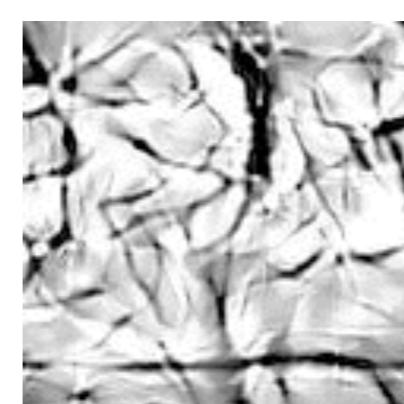
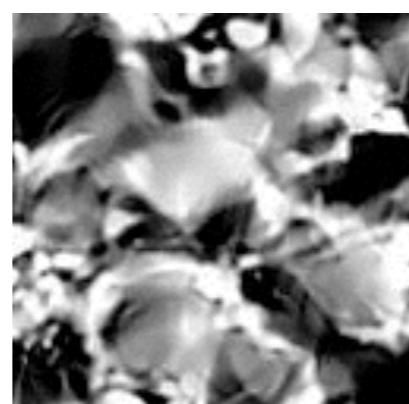
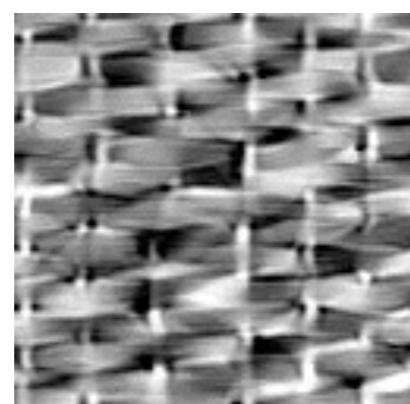
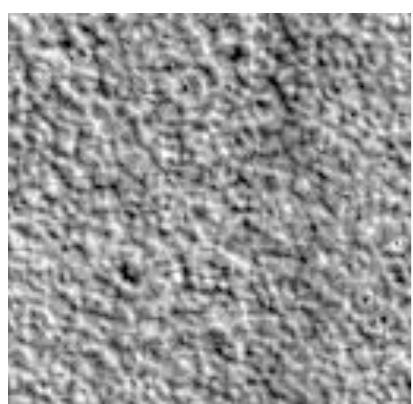


Gaussian process model with  $N$  second order moments



Second order Gaussian Scattering:  $O(\log N^2)$  moments

$$\mathbb{E}(|x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}|) , \quad \mathbb{E}(||x \star \psi_{\lambda_1}| \star \psi_{\lambda_2}|)$$



# Ising Model and Inverse Problem

Bruna, Dokmanic, Maarten de Hoop

$$p(x) = Z_\beta^{-1} \exp \left( -\beta \sum_{i,j} J_{i,j} x(i) x(j) \right) \text{ with } x(i) = \pm 1$$

Ising

Gaussian  
scattering

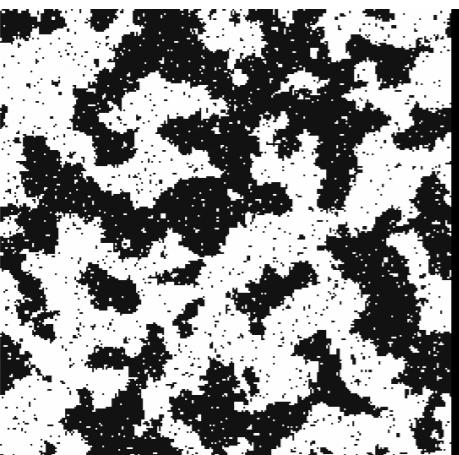
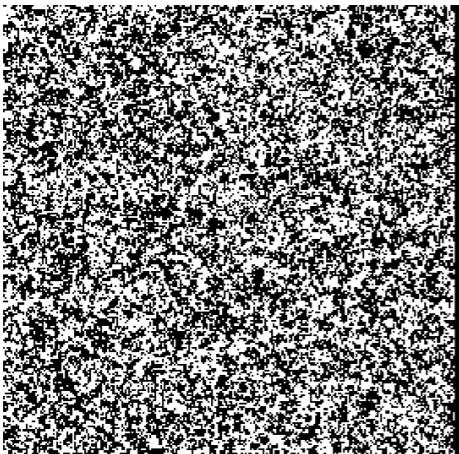
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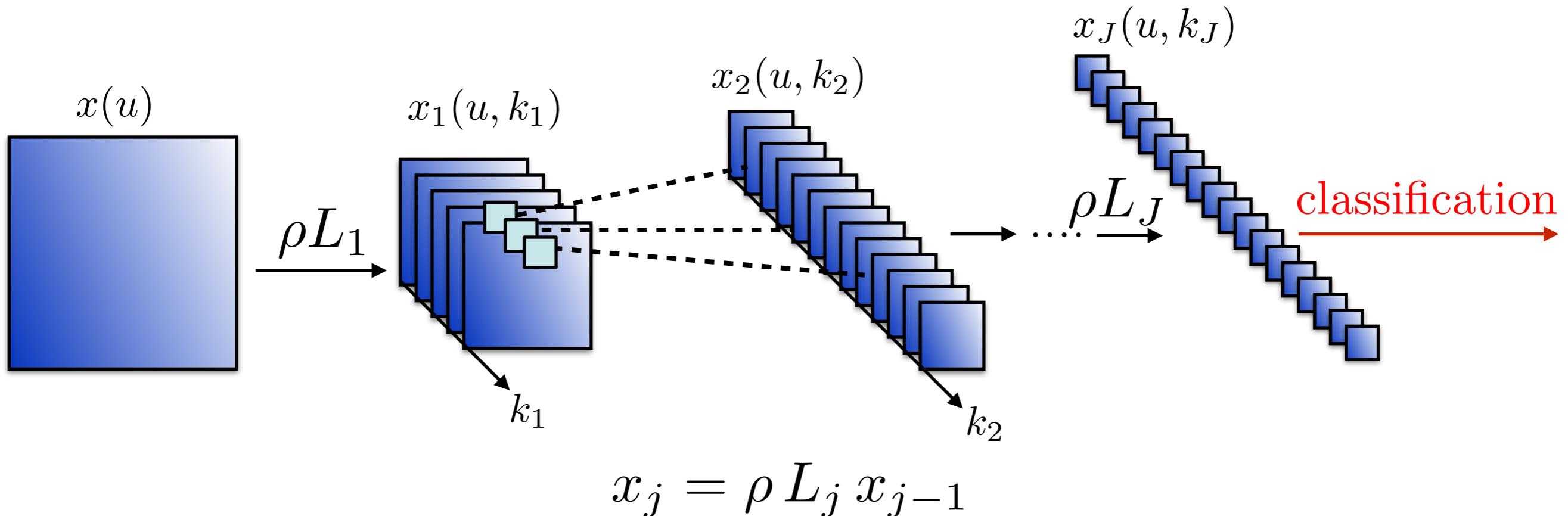
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# Deep Convolutional Trees



$L_j$  is composed of convolutions and subs samplings:

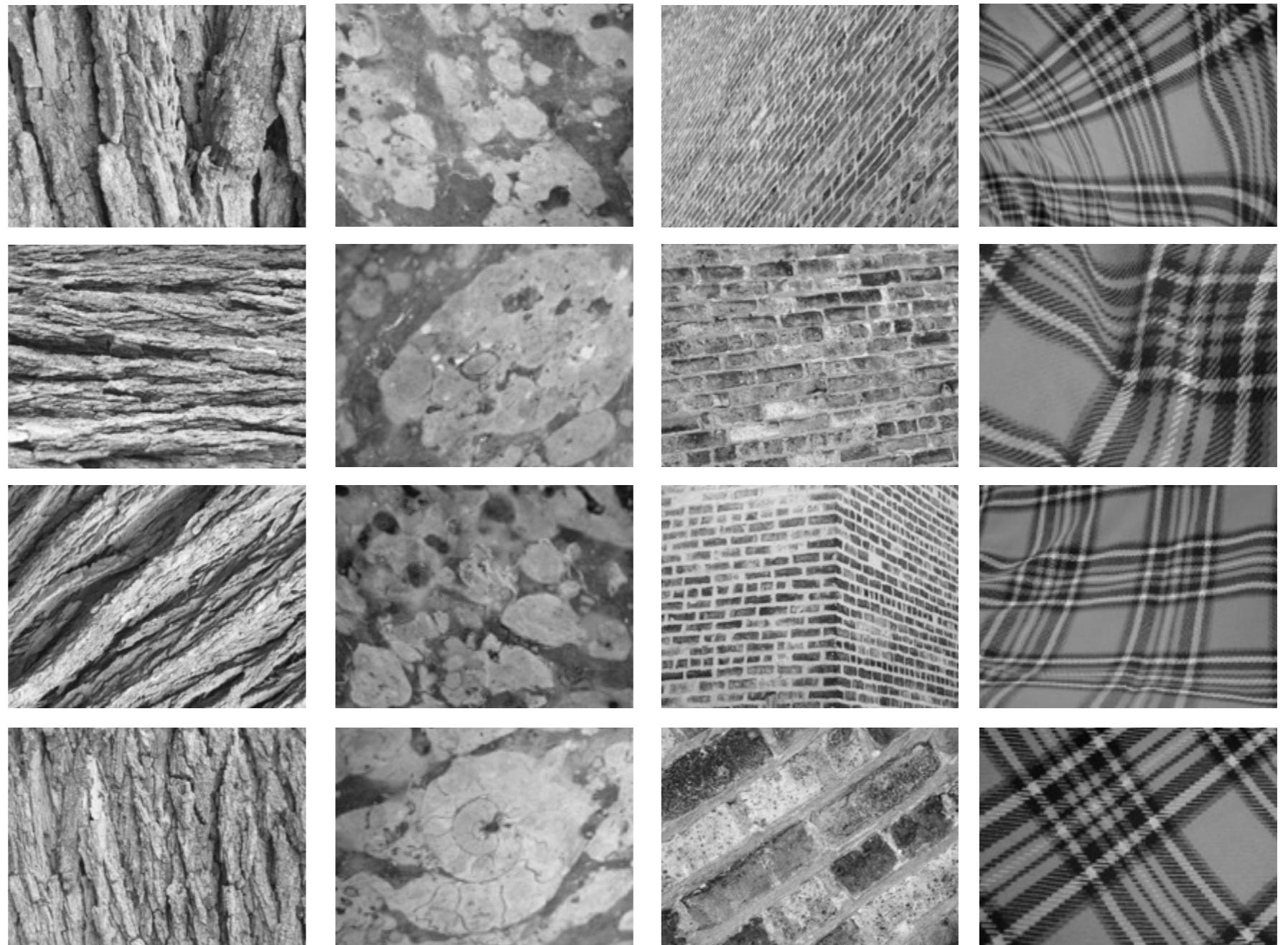
$$x_j(u, k_j) = \rho \left( x_{j-1}(\cdot, k) \star h_{k_j, k}(u) \right)$$

No channel communication: what limitations ?

# Rotation and Scaling Invariance

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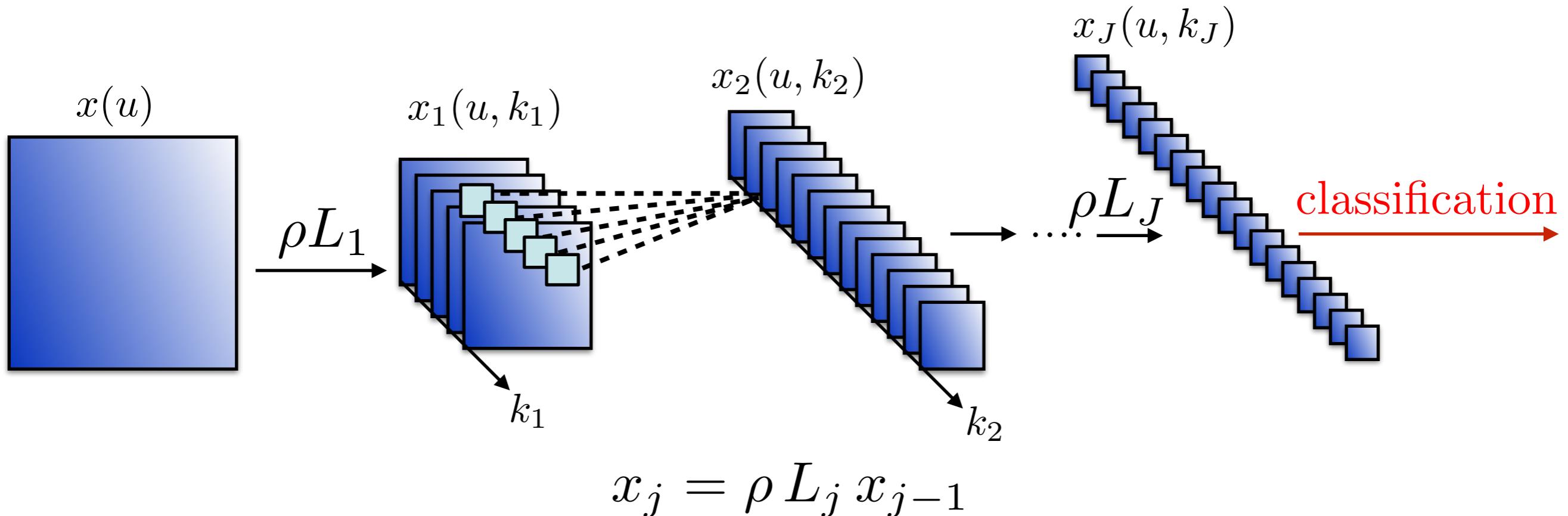
UIUC database:  
25 classes



Scattering classification errors

Training	Scat. Translation
20	20 %

# Deep Convolutional Networks



- $L_j$  is a linear combination of convolutions and subsampling:

$$x_j(u, k_j) = \rho \left( \sum_k x_{j-1}(\cdot, k) \star h_{k_j, k}(u) \right)$$

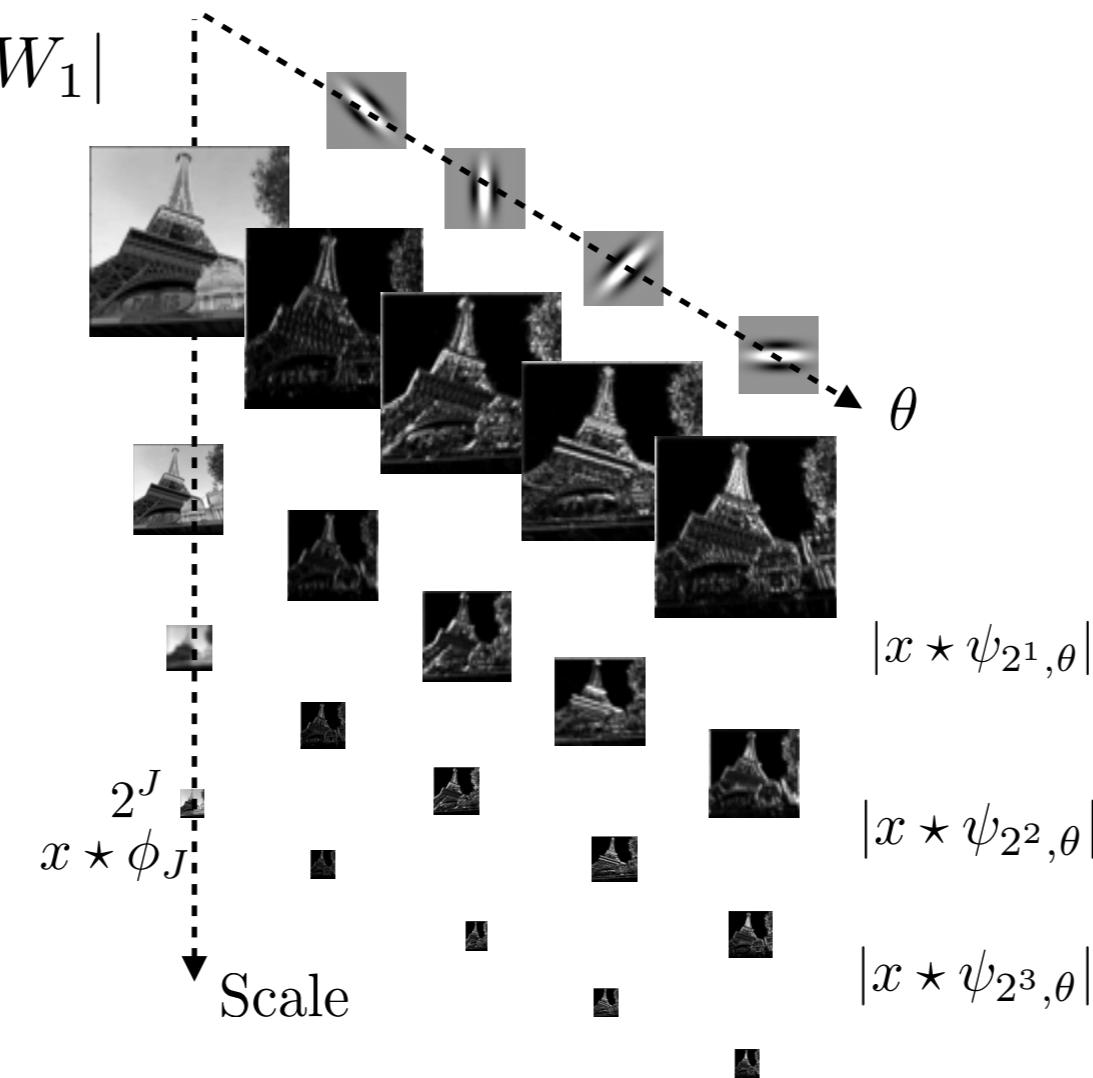
sum across channels

What is the role of channel connections ?

Linearize other symmetries beyond translations.

# Rotation Invariance

- Channel connections linearize other symmetries.



- Invariance to rotations are computed by convolutions along the rotation variable  $\theta$  with wavelet filters.  
⇒ invariance to rigid movements.

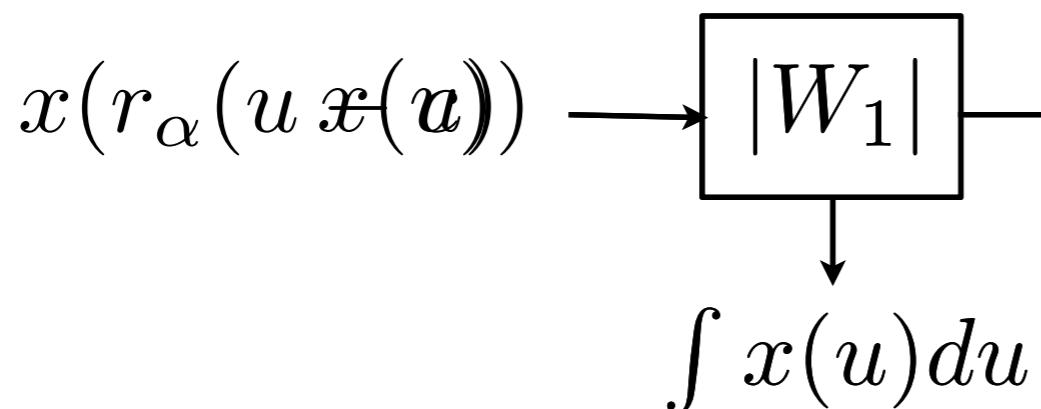
# Extension to Rigid Movements

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Need to capture the variability of spatial directions.

- Group of rigid displacements: translations and rotations
- Action on wavelet coefficients:

rotation & translation



rotation & translation , angle translation

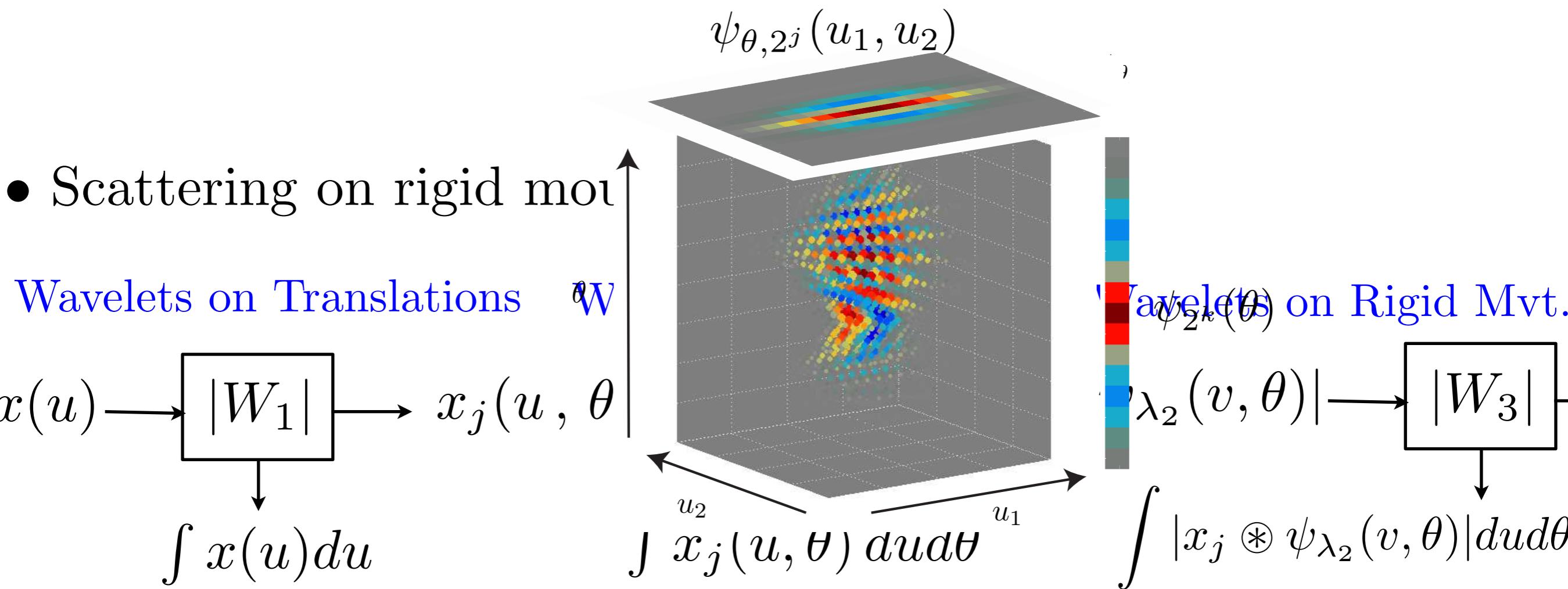
$$x_j(r_\alpha(\theta) = \phi \cdot \psi_2(r_\theta)(u))$$

# Extension to Rigid Movements

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- To build invariants: second wavelet transform on  $\mathbf{L}^2(G)$ : convolutions of  $x_j(u, \theta)$  with wavelets  $\psi_{\lambda_2}(u, \theta)$

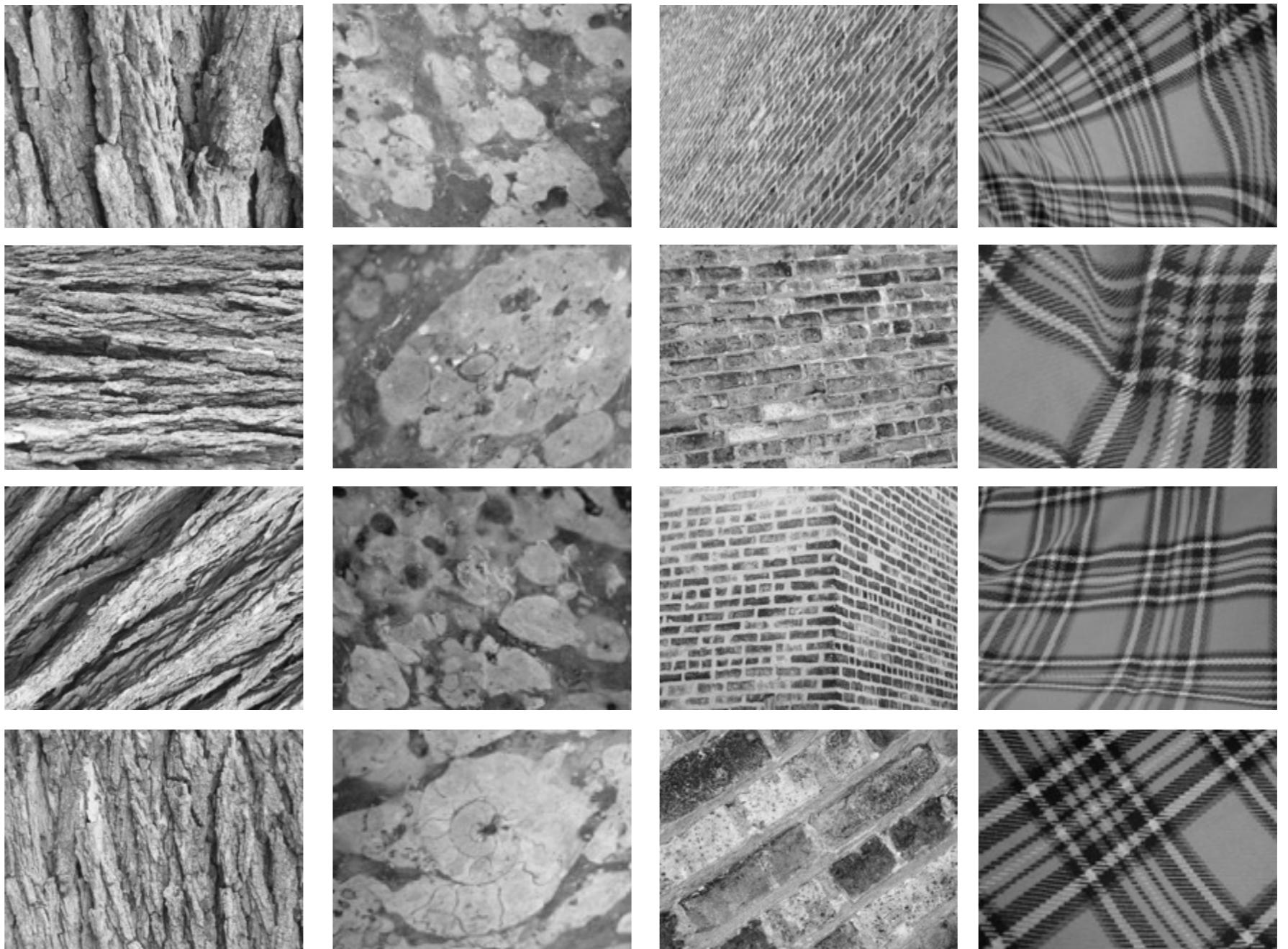
$$x \circledast \psi_\lambda(u, \theta) = \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} x(u', \theta') \psi_{\theta, 2^j}(r_{-\theta'}(u - u')) \right) \psi_{2^k}(\theta - \theta') d\theta' dt'$$



# Rotation and Scaling Invariance

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UIUC database:  
25 classes



Scattering classification errors

Training	Scat. Translation	Scat. Rigid Mouvt.
20	20 %	<b>0.6%</b>

# Learning Physics: N-Body Problem

- Energy of  $d$  interacting bodies:

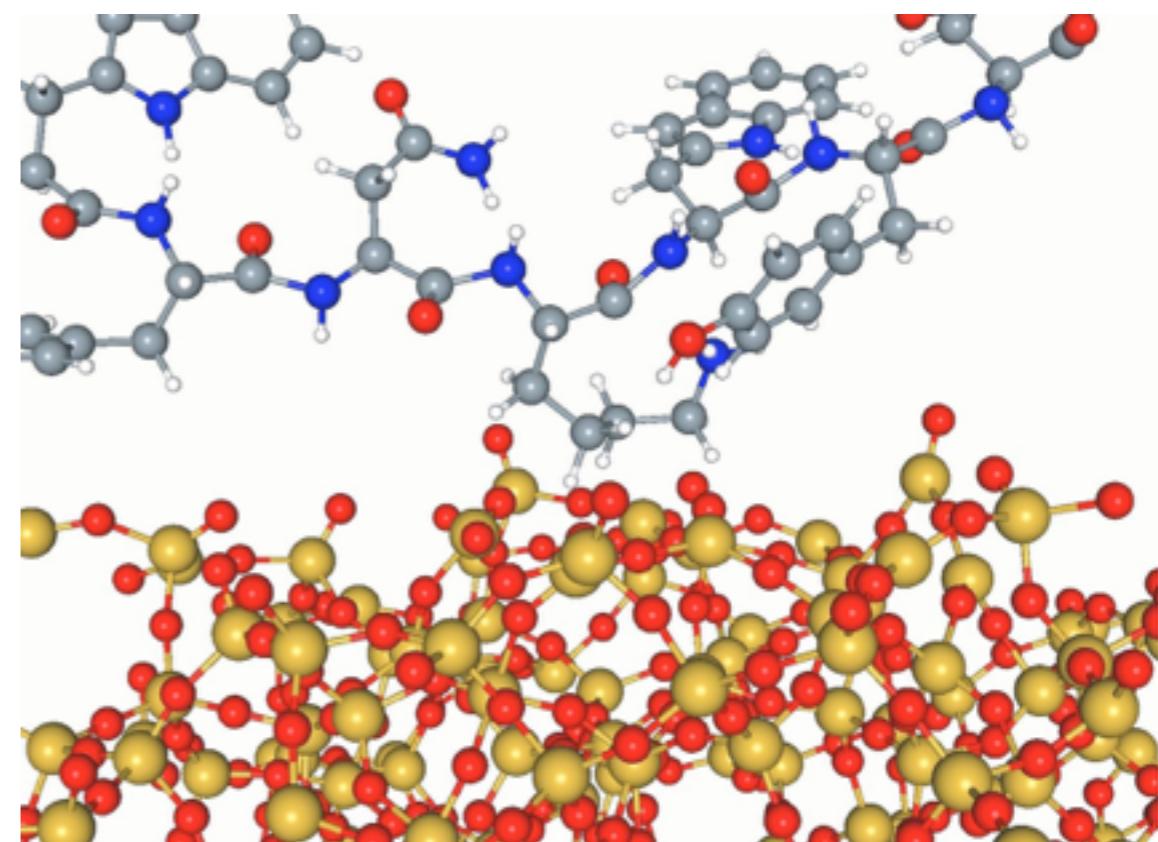
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Matthew Hirn*

Can we learn the interaction energy  $f(x)$  of a system  
with  $x = \{ \text{positions, values} \}$  ?

Astronomy



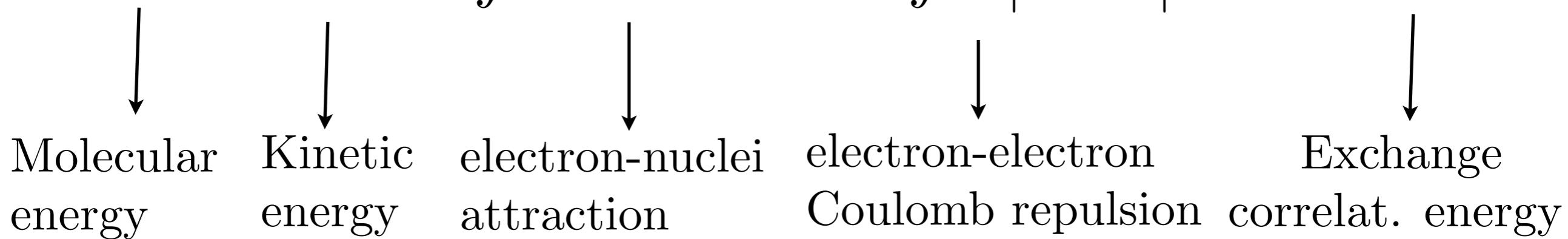
Quantum Chemistry



# Density Functional Theory

*Kohn-Sham* model:

$$E(\rho) = T(\rho) + \int \rho(u) V(u) + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\rho(u)\rho(v)}{|u-v|} dudv + E_{xc}(\rho)$$



At equilibrium:

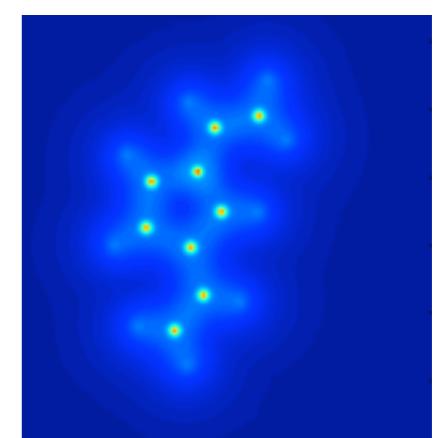
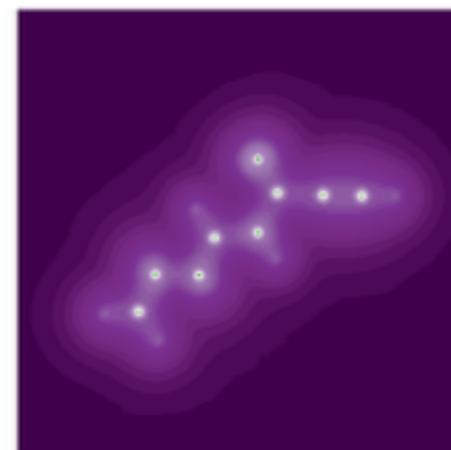
$$f(x) = E(\rho_x) = \min_{\rho} E(\rho)$$

# Quantum Chemistry Invariants

Quantum chemistry:  $f(x)$  is invariant to rigid movements,  
stable to deformations.

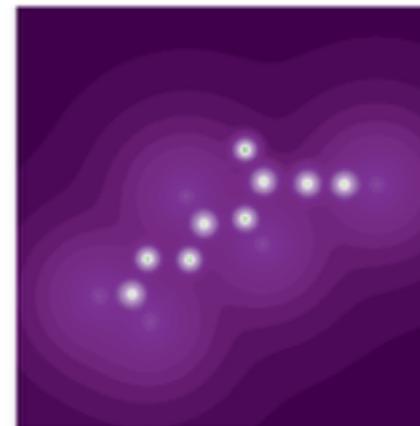
Depends on the true electronic density (Kohn-Sham)

Ground state  
electronic density  
computed with Schroedinger



- Can we estimate  $f(x)$  from a naive electronic density ?

Density  $\tilde{\rho}_x$  computed  
as a sum of blobs



# Quantum Regression

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*Matthew Hirn*

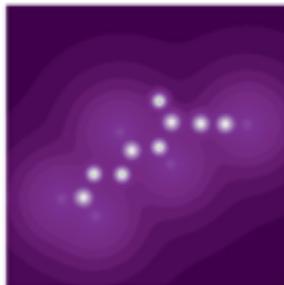
- Linear regressions computed with invariant change of variables:

$$\Phi x = \{\phi_n(\tilde{\rho}_x)\}_n : \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Fourier modulus coefficients and squared} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{scattering coefficients and squared} \end{array} \right.$$

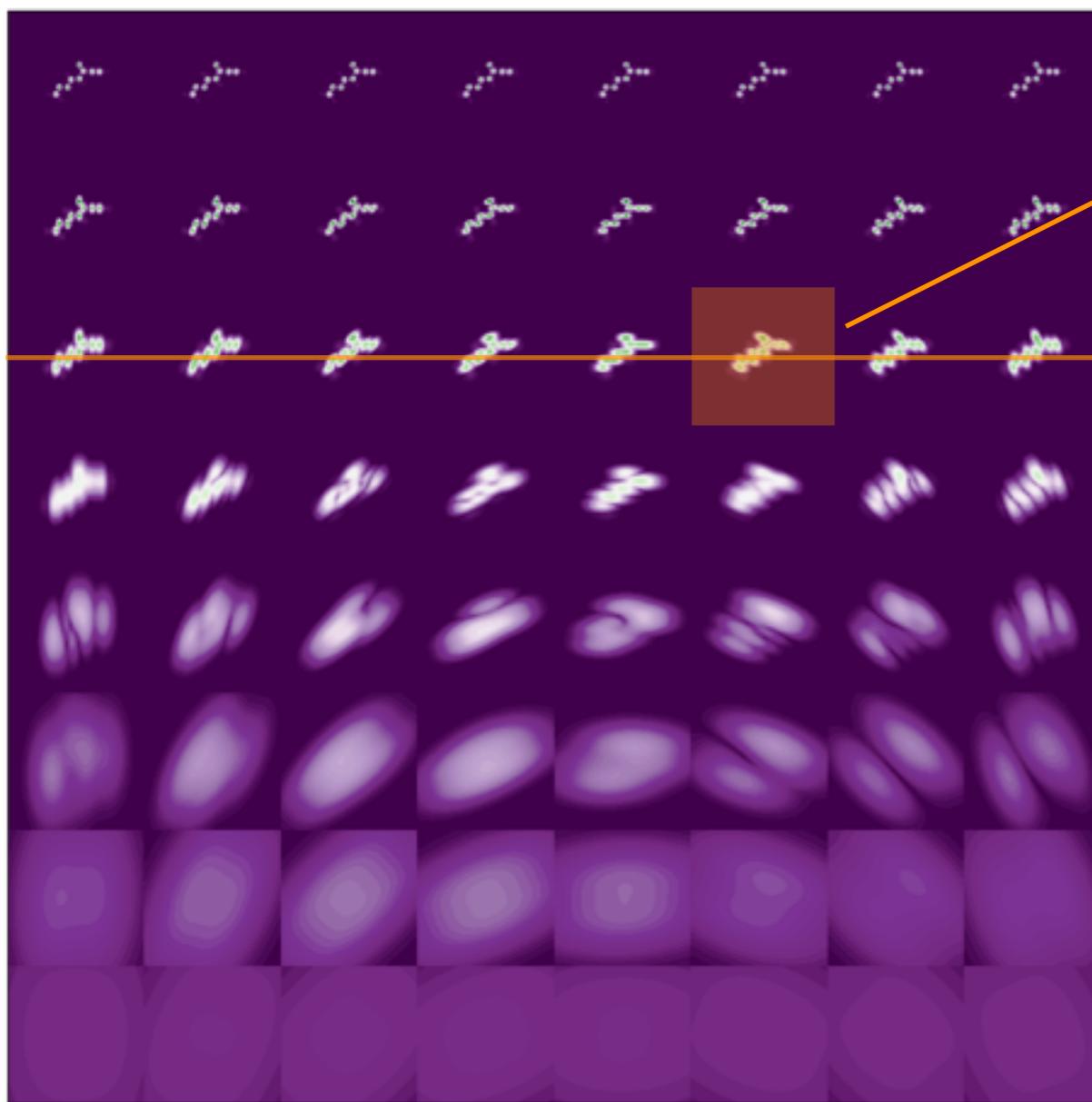
$$f_M(x) = \sum_{k=1}^M w_k \phi_{n_k}(\tilde{\rho}_x)$$

Regression coefficients  $w_k$ : equivalent potential.

# Scattering Dictionary

 $\rho(u)$ 

$$\downarrow |\rho * \psi_{j_1, \theta_1}(u)|$$

Rotations  $\theta_1$ 

2nd Order Interferences

Recover translation variability:

$$|\rho * \psi_{j_1, \theta_1}| * \psi_{j_2, \theta_2}(u)$$

Recover rotation variability:

$$|\rho * \psi_{j_1, \cdot}(u)| \circledast \bar{\psi}_{l_2}(\theta_1)$$

Scales  $j_1$ Combine to recover  
roto-translation variability:

$$||\rho * \psi_{j_1, \cdot}| * \psi_{j_2, \theta_2}(u) \circledast \bar{\psi}_{l_2}(\theta_1)|$$

# Scattering Regression

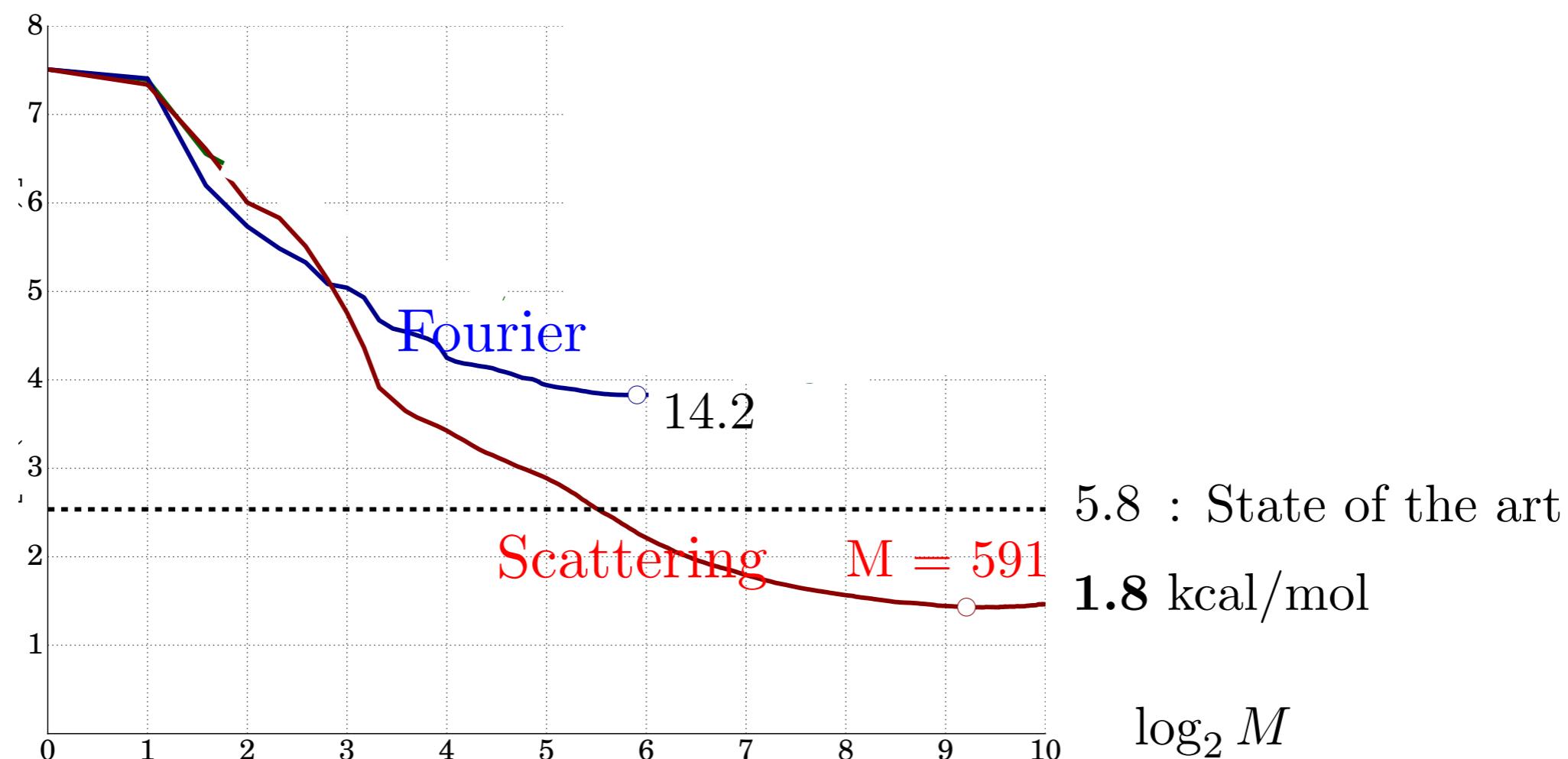
Data basis  $\{x_i, f(x_i)\}_{i \leq N}$  of 4357 planar molecules

$$\text{Regression: } f_M(x) = \sum_{m=1}^M w_m \phi_{k_m}(\tilde{\rho}_x)$$

Interaction terms  
across scales

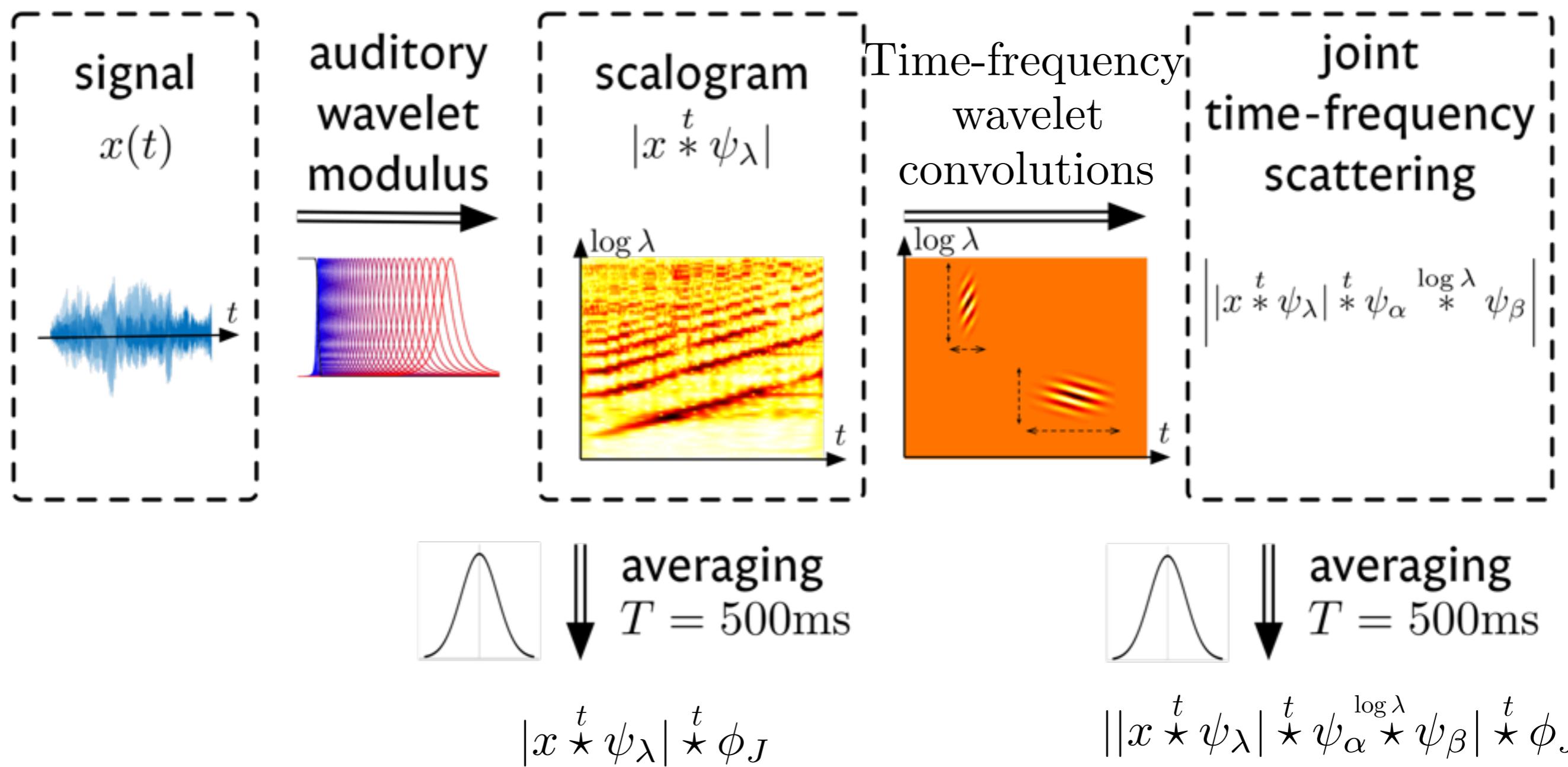
Testing error

$$2^{-1} \log_2 \mathbb{E} |f_M(x) - y(x)|^2$$



# Time-Frequency Translation Group

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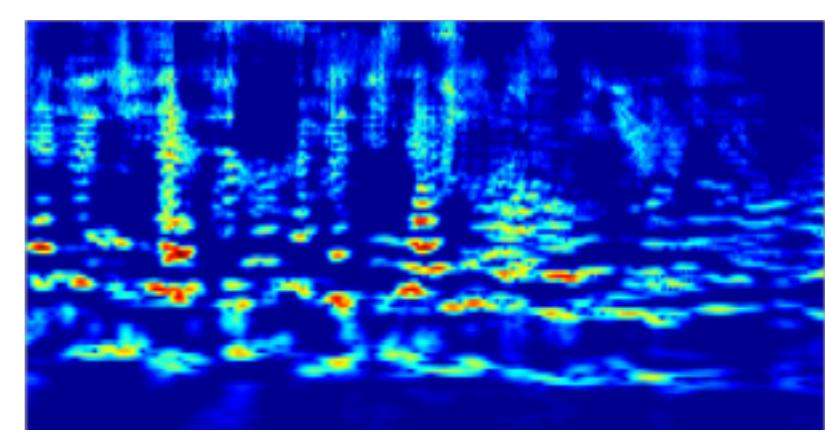
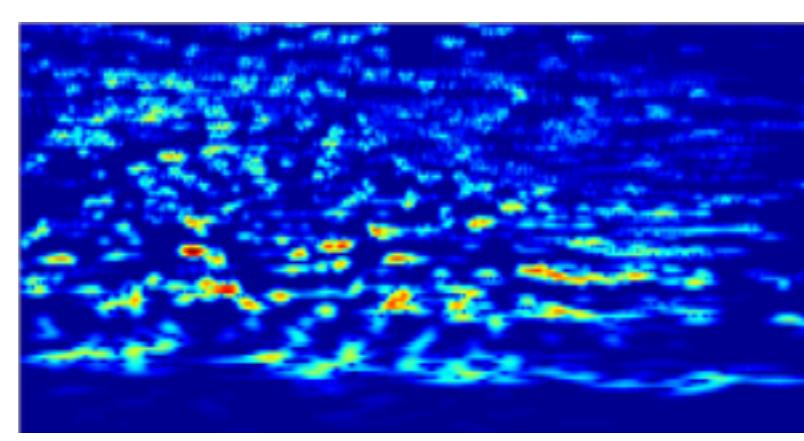
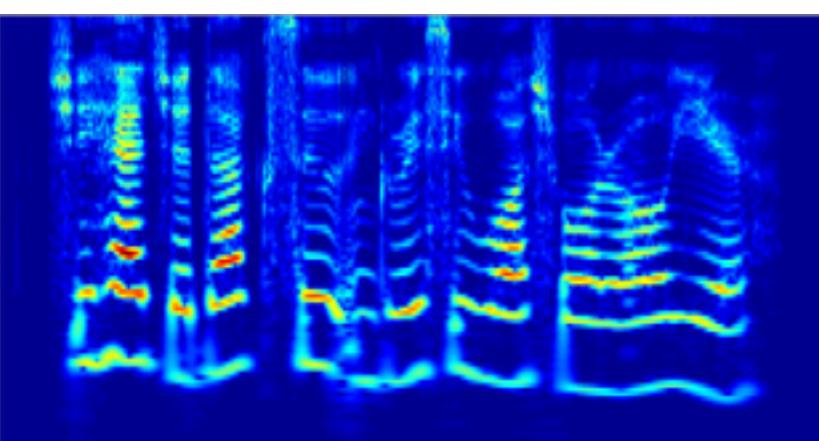
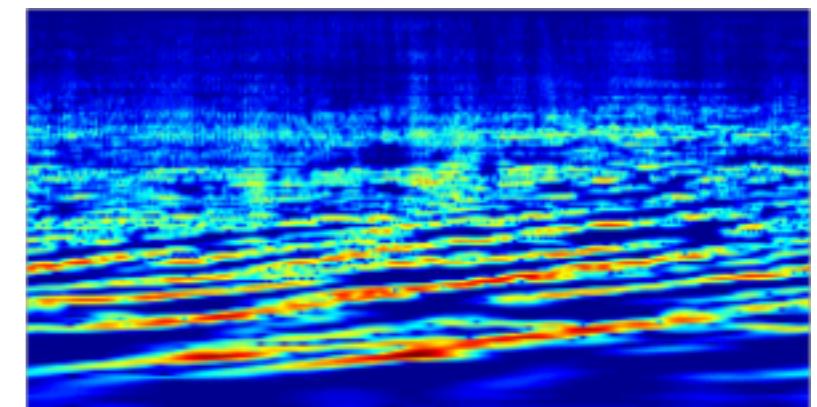
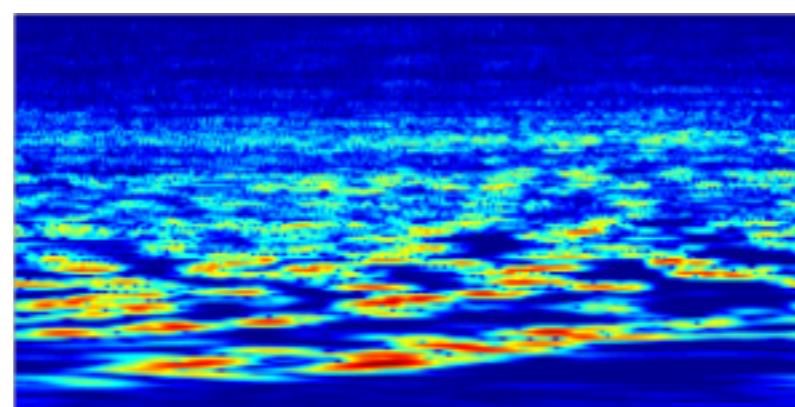
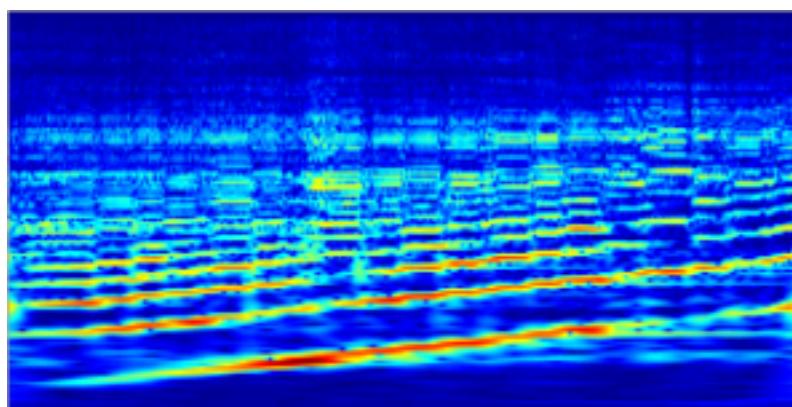
# Joint Time-Frequency Scattering

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Original

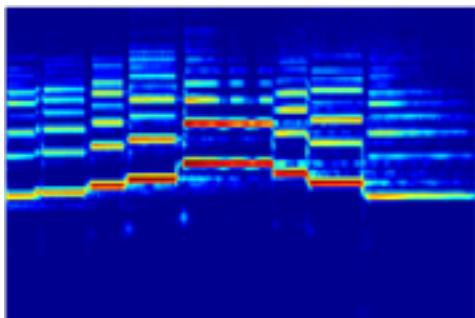
Time Scattering

Time/Freq Scattering

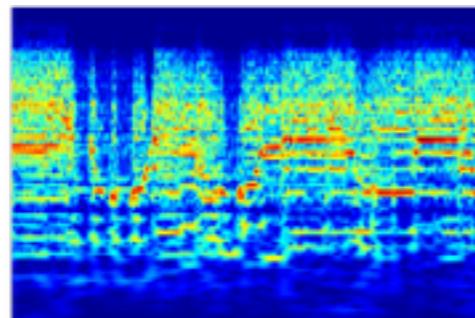


# Musical Instrument Classification

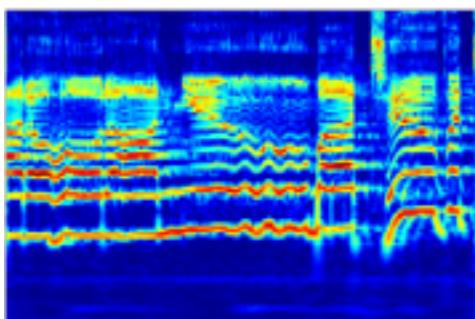
clarinet



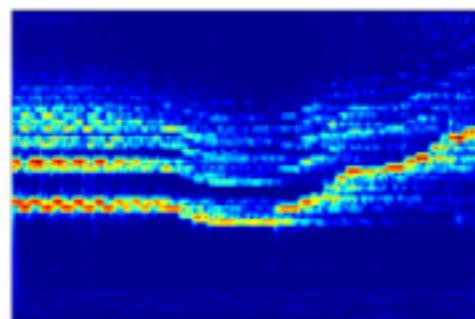
electric guitar



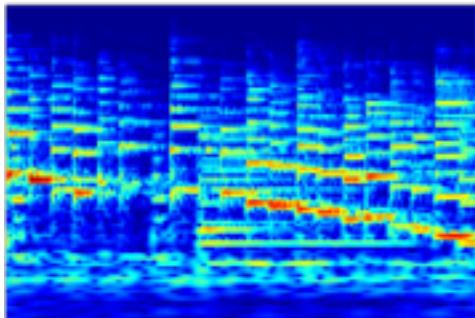
female singer



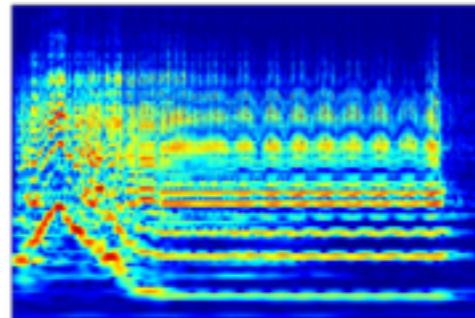
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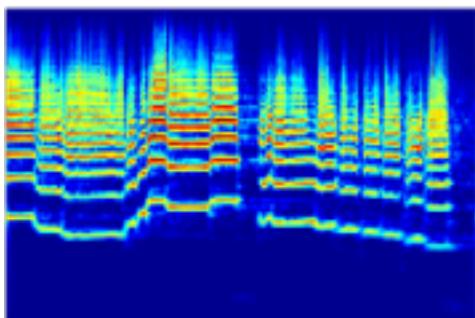
piano



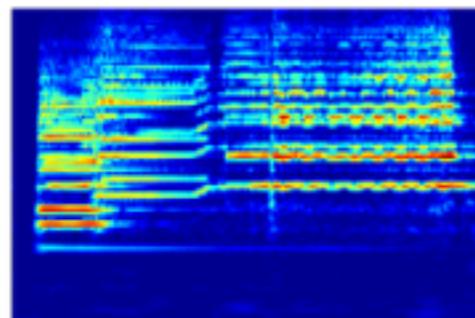
tenor saxophone



trumpet



violin



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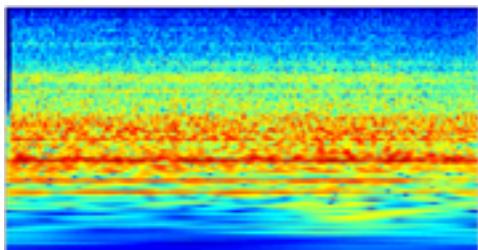
MedleyDB: 8 classes  
10k training examples

class-wise average error

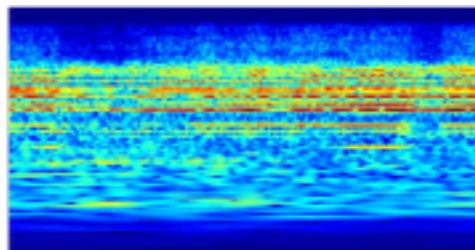
MFCC audio descriptors	0,39
time scattering	0,31
ConvNet	0,31
time-frequency scattering	0,18

# Environmental Sound Classification

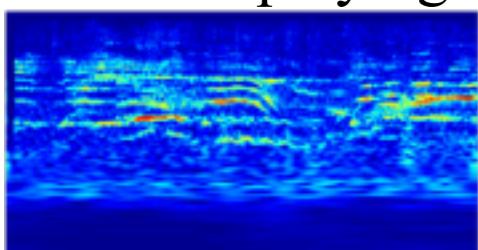
air conditioner



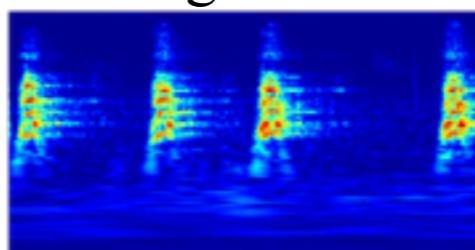
car horns



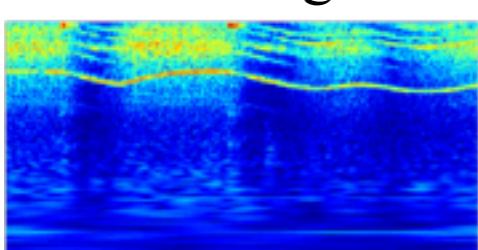
children playing



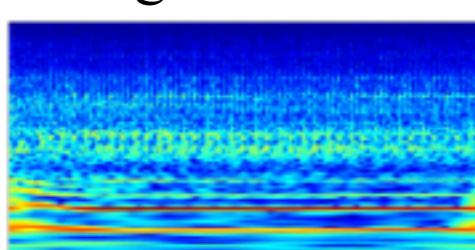
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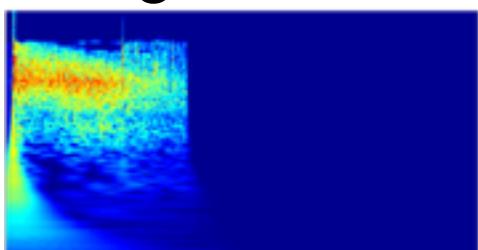
drilling



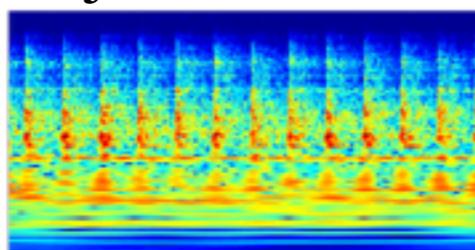
engine at idle



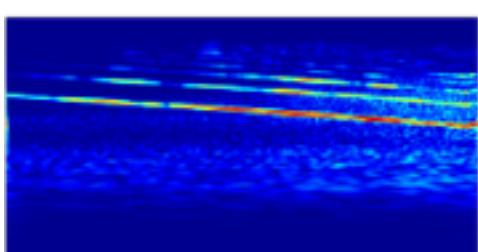
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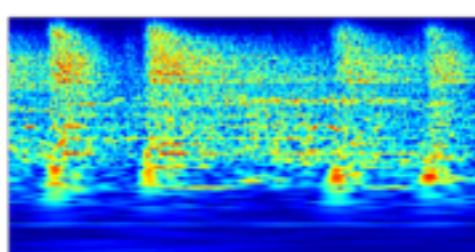
jackhammer



siren



street music



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UrbanSound8k: 10 classes  
8k training examples

class-wise average error

MFCC audio descriptors	0,39
time scattering	0,27
ConvNet (Piczak, MLSP 2015)	0,26
time-frequency scattering	0,2

# Complex Image Classification

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Arbre de Joshua



Ancre



Metronome



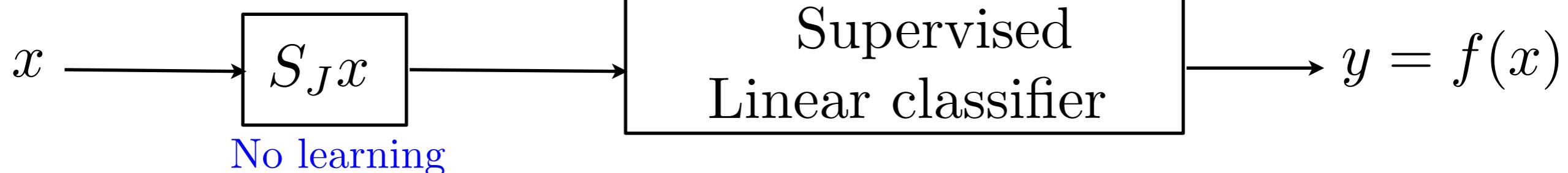
Castore



Nénuphar



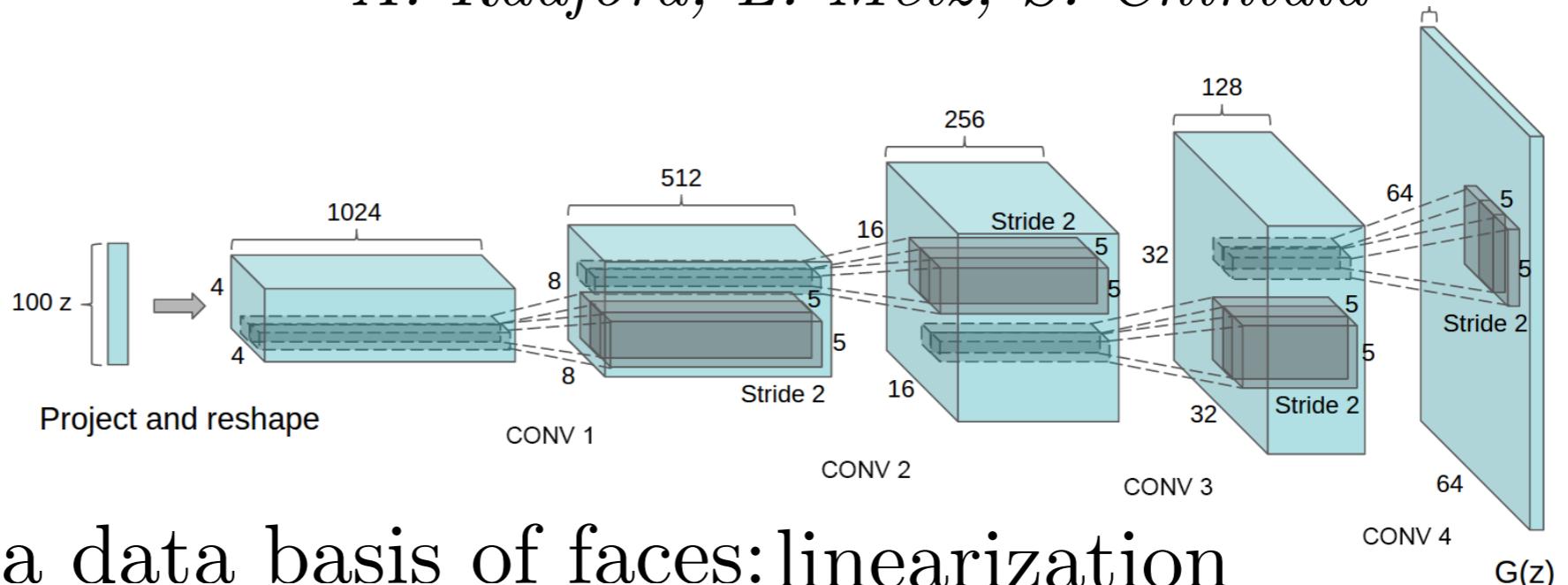
Bateau



Data Basis	Deep-Net	Scat/Unsupervised
CIFAR-10	7%	20%

# Linearisation in Deep Networks

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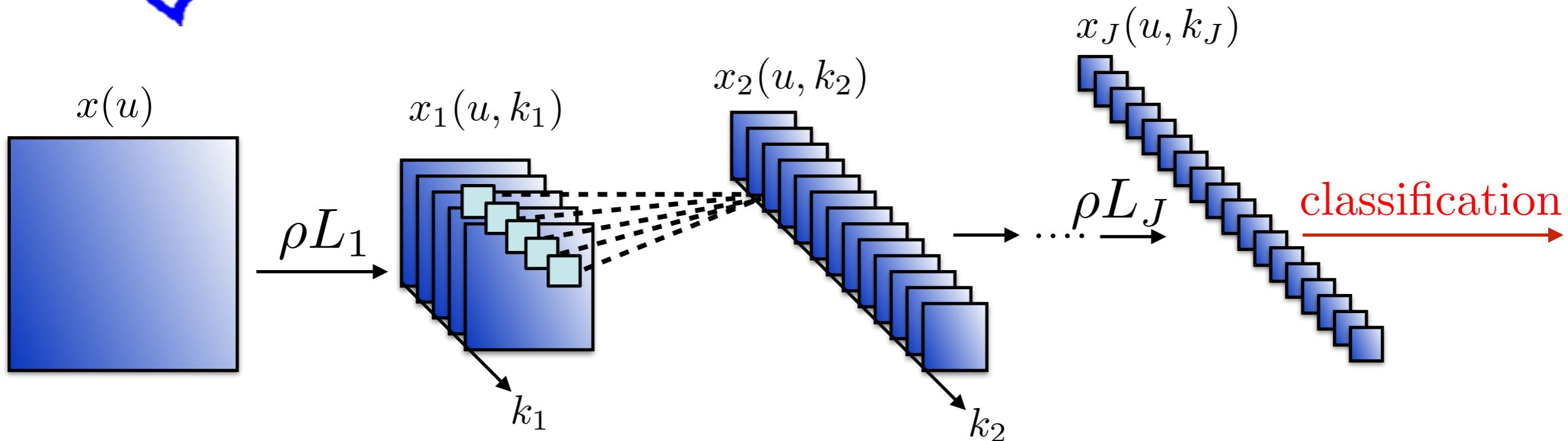
- Trained on a data basis of faces: linearization



- On a data basis including bedrooms: interpolations

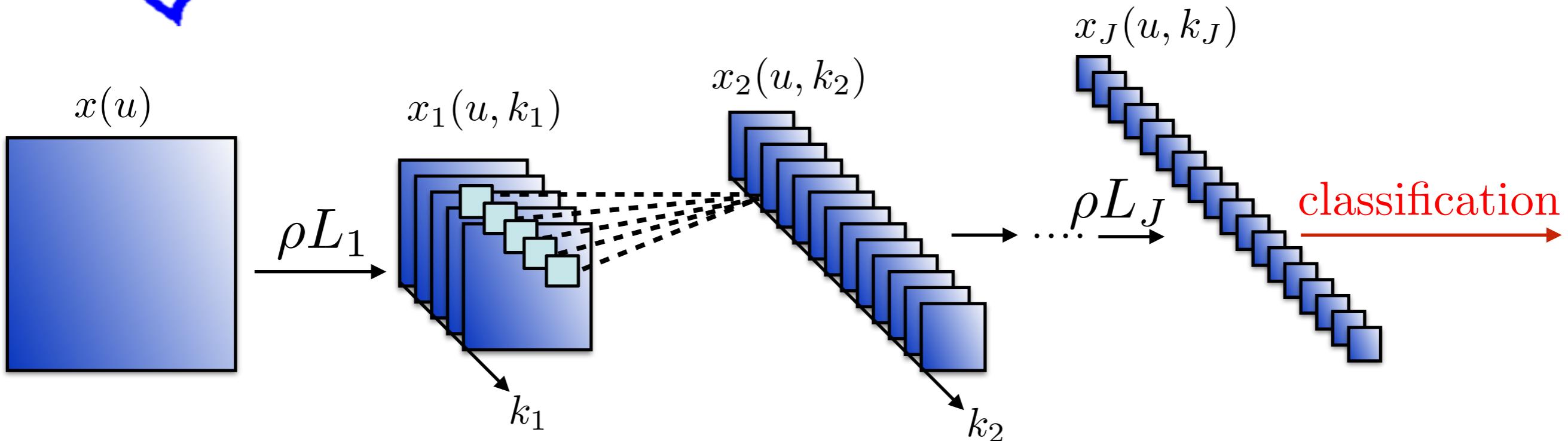


# Deep Convolutional Networks



- The convolution network operators  $L_j$  have many roles:
  - Linearize non-linear transformations (symmetries)
  - Reduce dimension with projections
  - Memory storage of « characteristic » structures
- Difficult to separate these roles when analyzing learned networks

# Open Problems



- Can we recover symmetry groups from the matrices  $L_j$  ?
- What kind of groups ?
- Can we characterise the regularity of  $f(x)$  from these groups ?
- Can we define classes of high-dimensional « regular » functions that are well approximated by deep neural networks ?
- Can we get approximation theorems giving errors depending on number of training examples, with a fast decay ?

# Conclusions

- Deep convolutional networks have spectacular high-dimensional approximation capabilities.
- Seem to compute hierarchical invariants of complex symmetries
- Used as models in physiological vision and audition
- Close link with particle and statistical physics
- Outstanding mathematical problem to understand them:  
notions of complexity, regularity, approximation theorems...

*Understanding Deep Convolutional Networks*, arXiv 2016.