

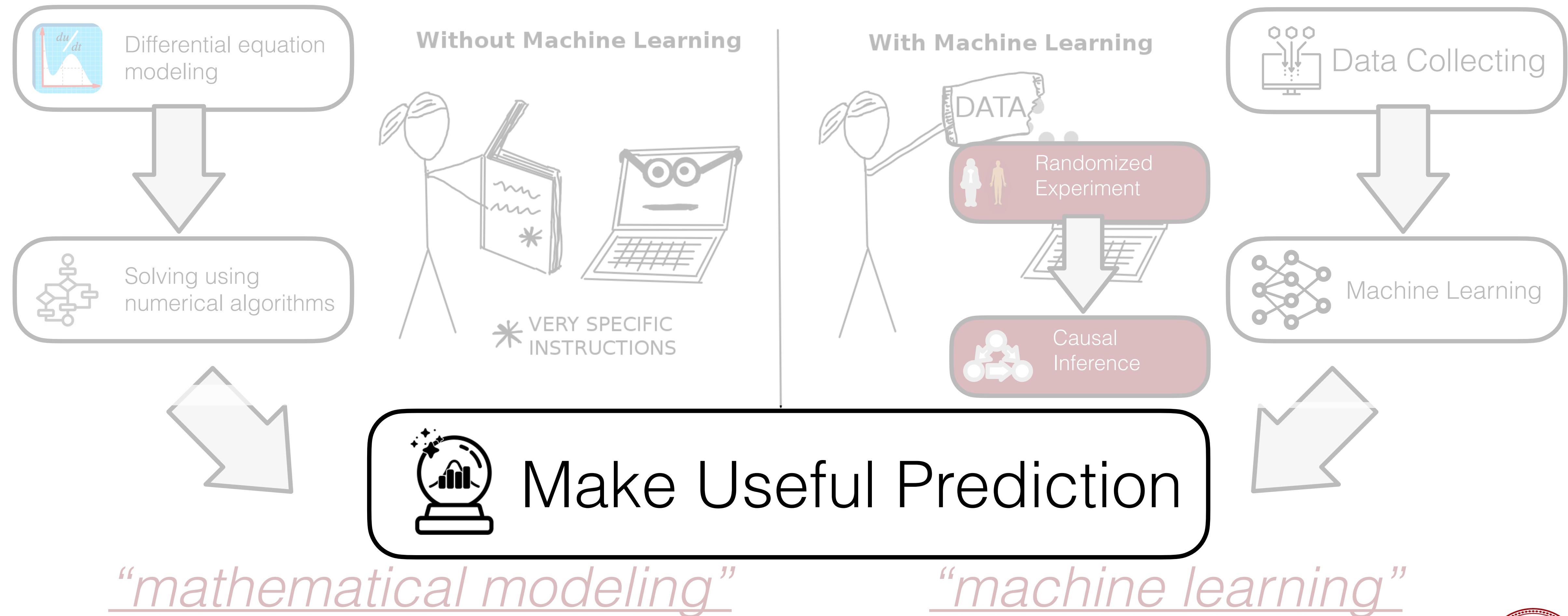
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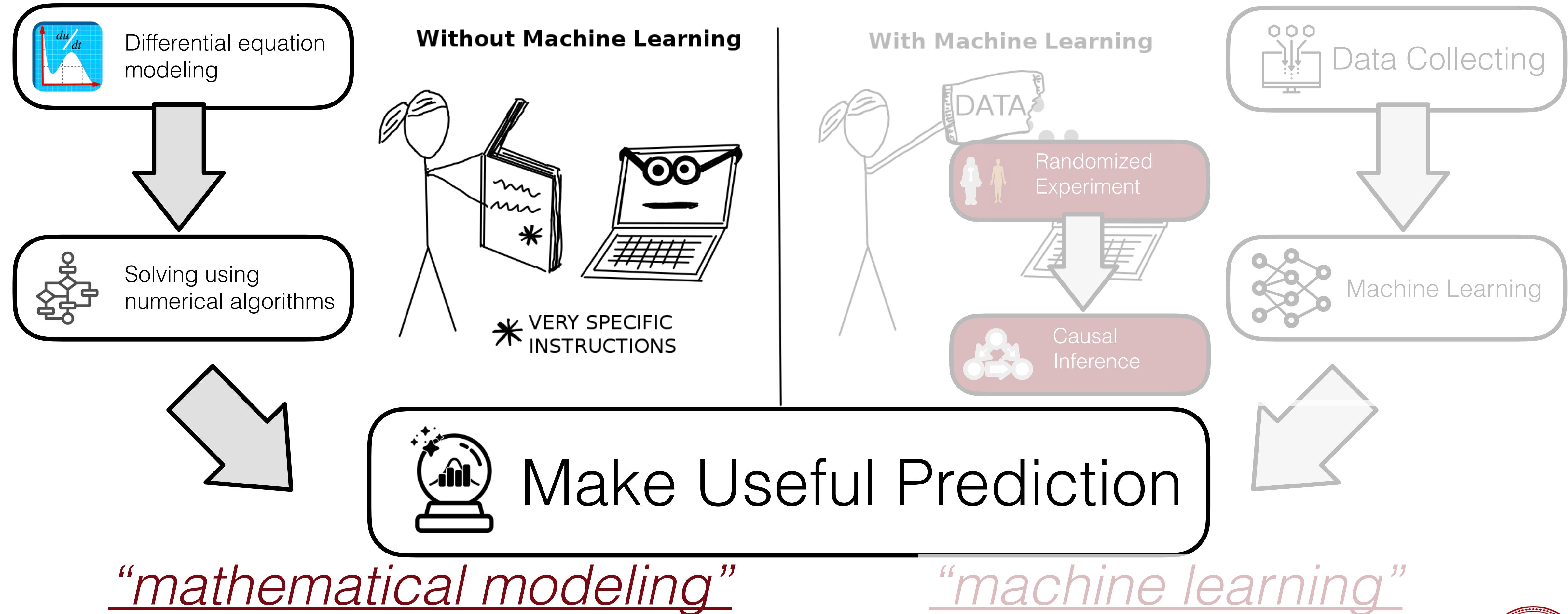
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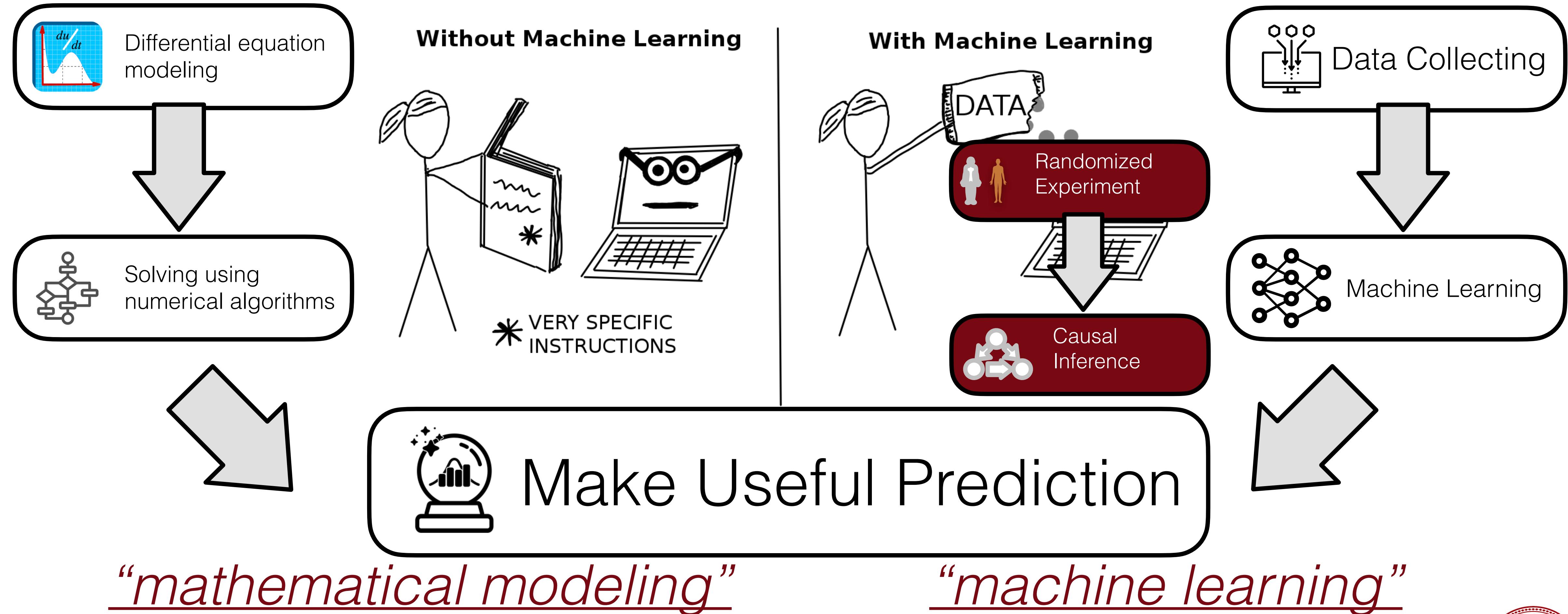
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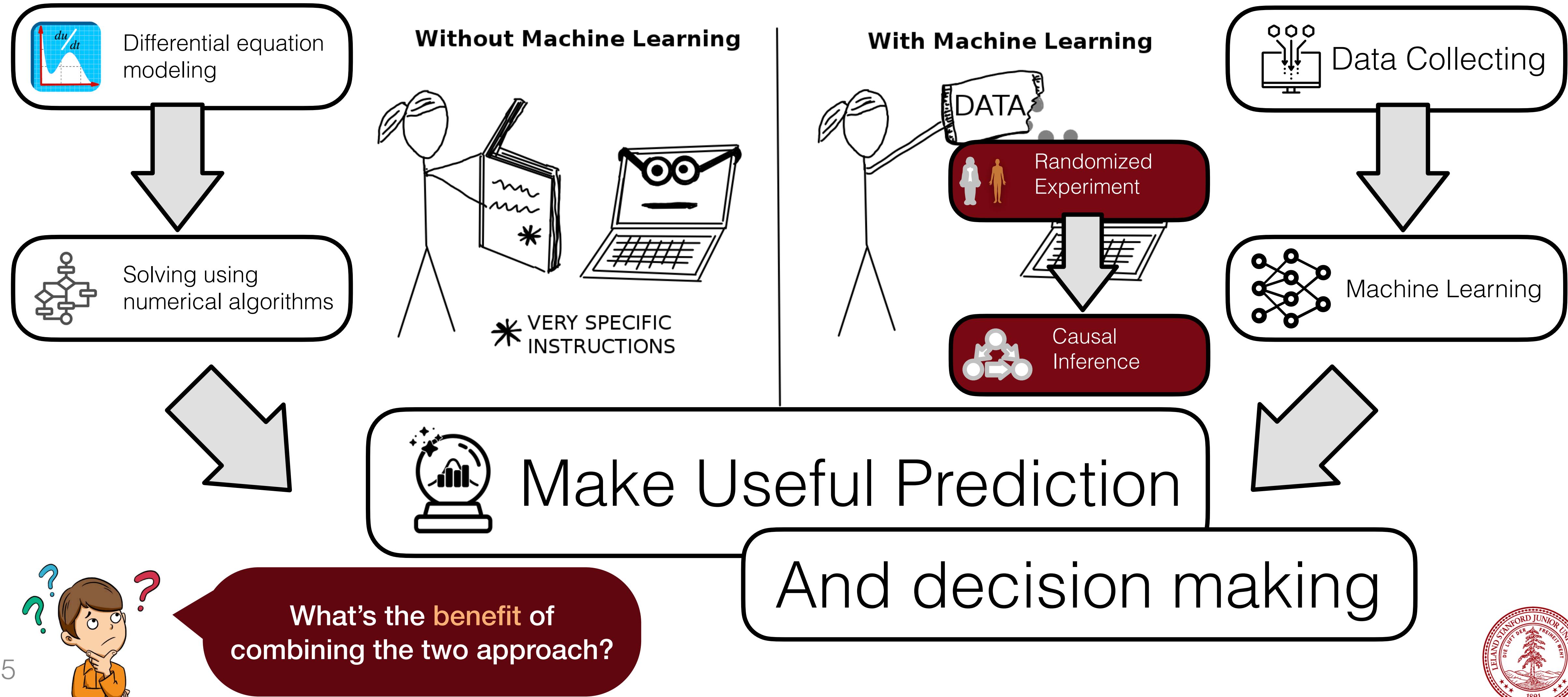
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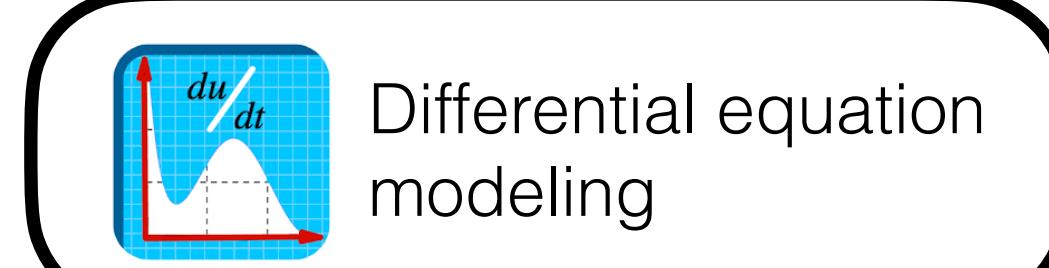


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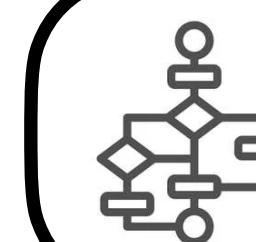


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Structural Model



Differential equation modeling



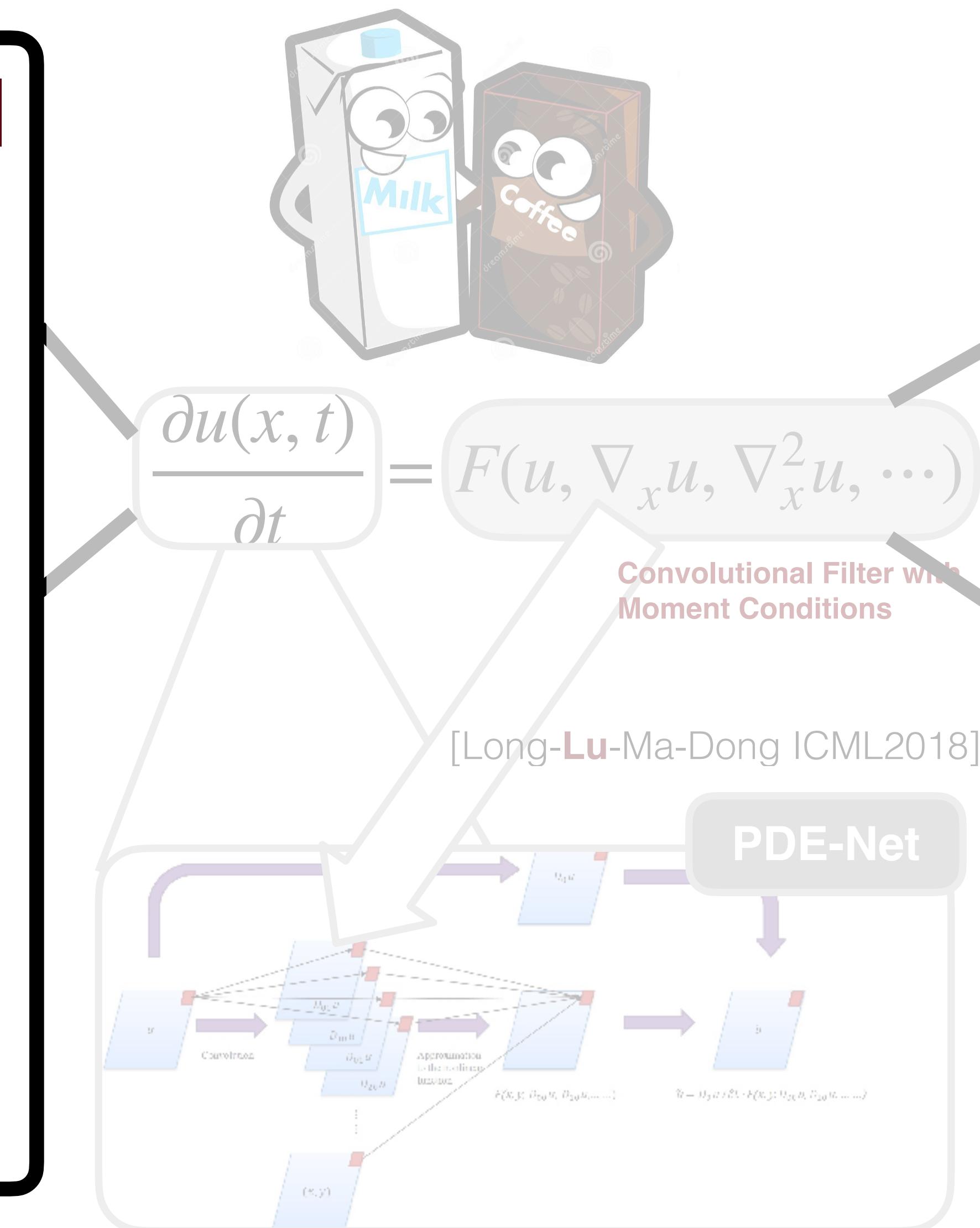
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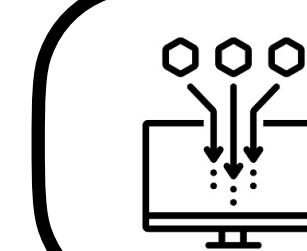
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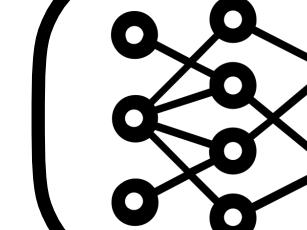
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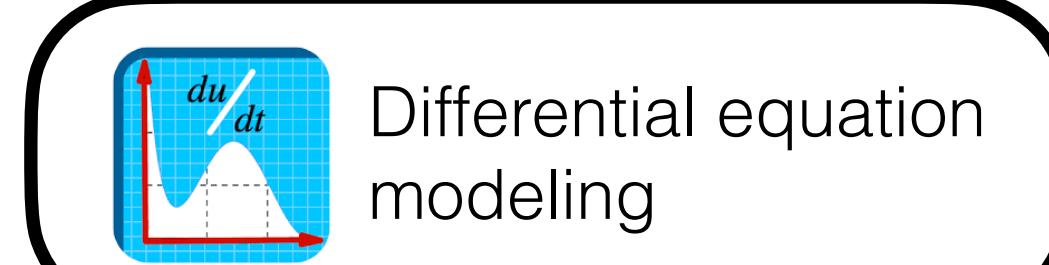
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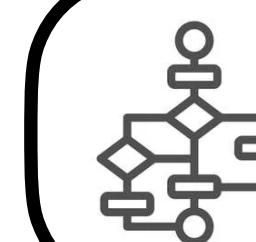
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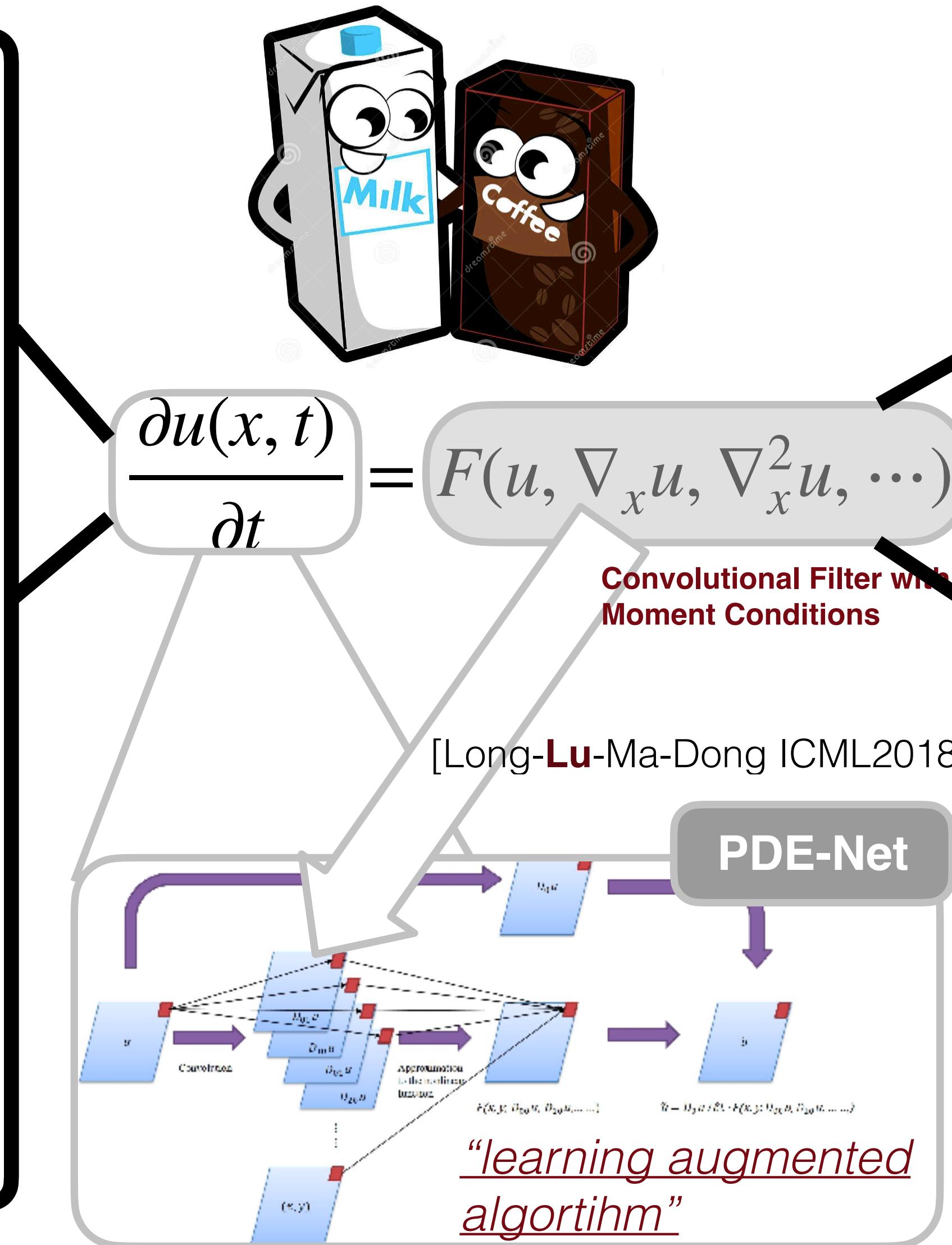
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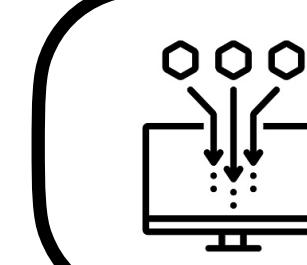
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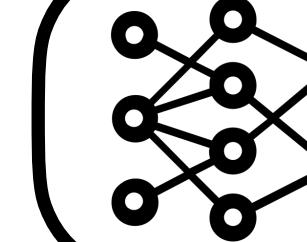
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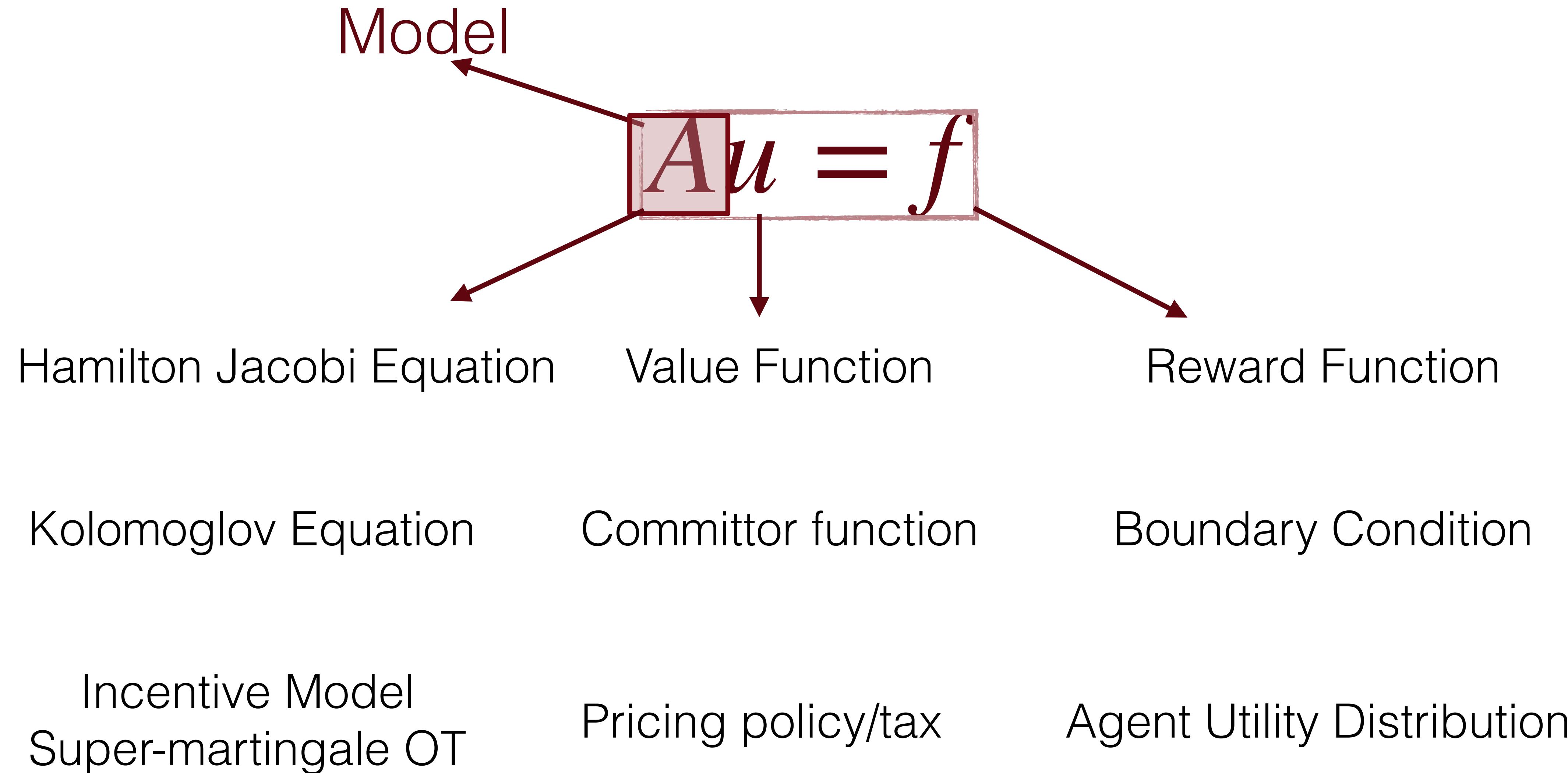
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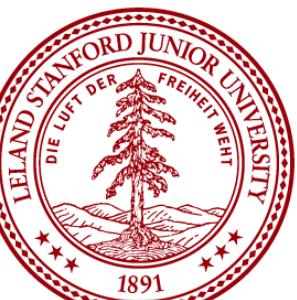
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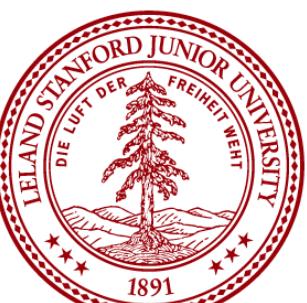
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E.g. Drift, Diffusion Strength

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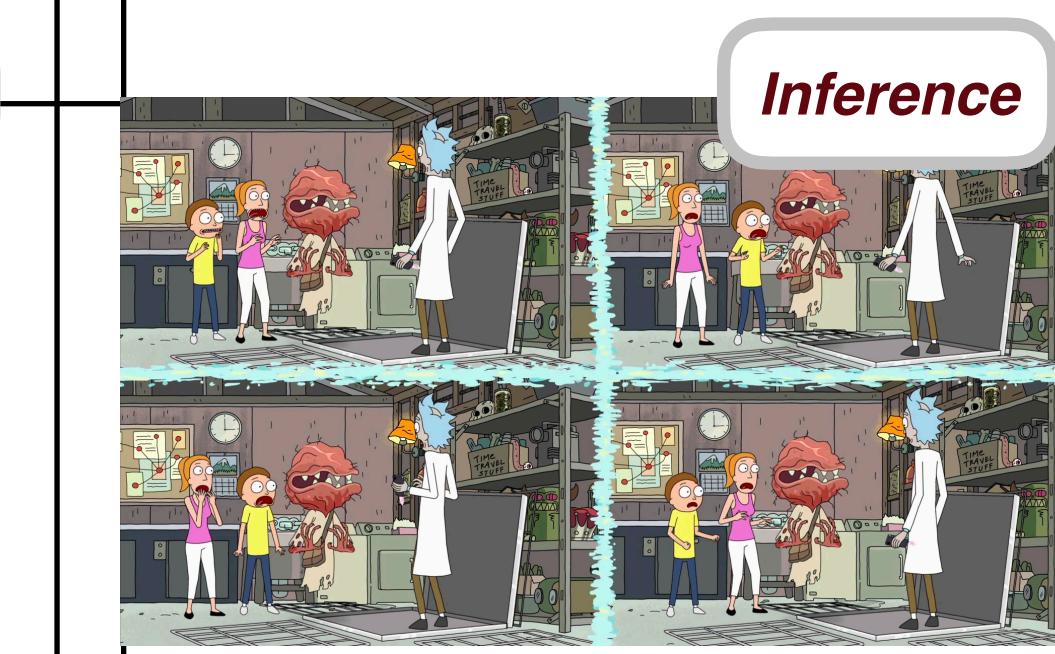
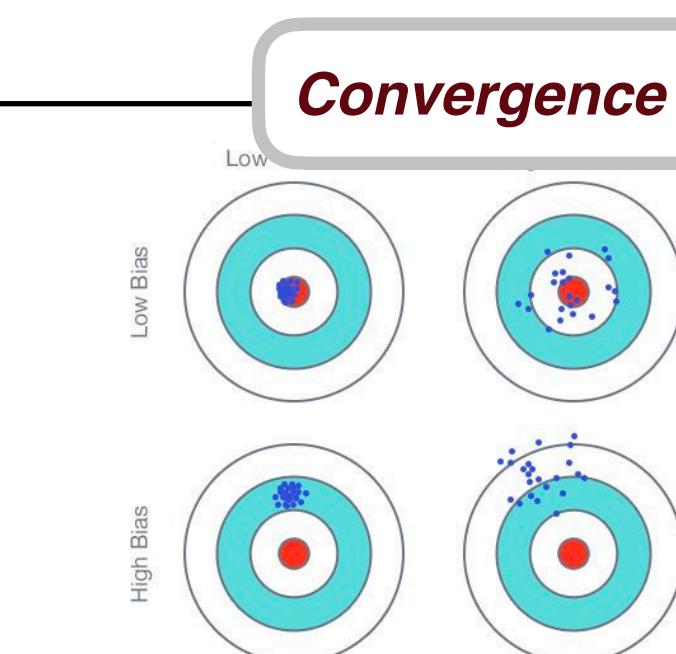
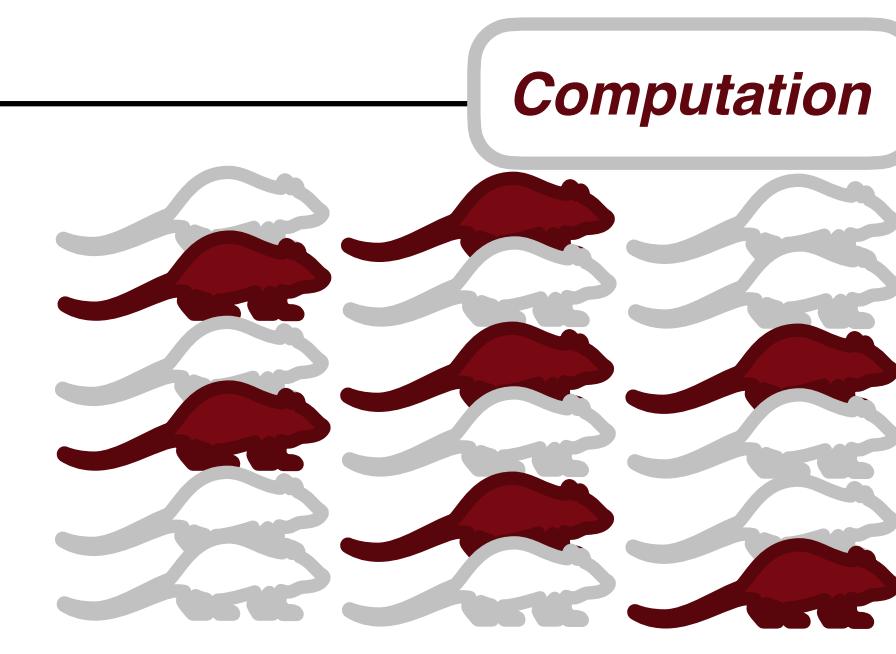
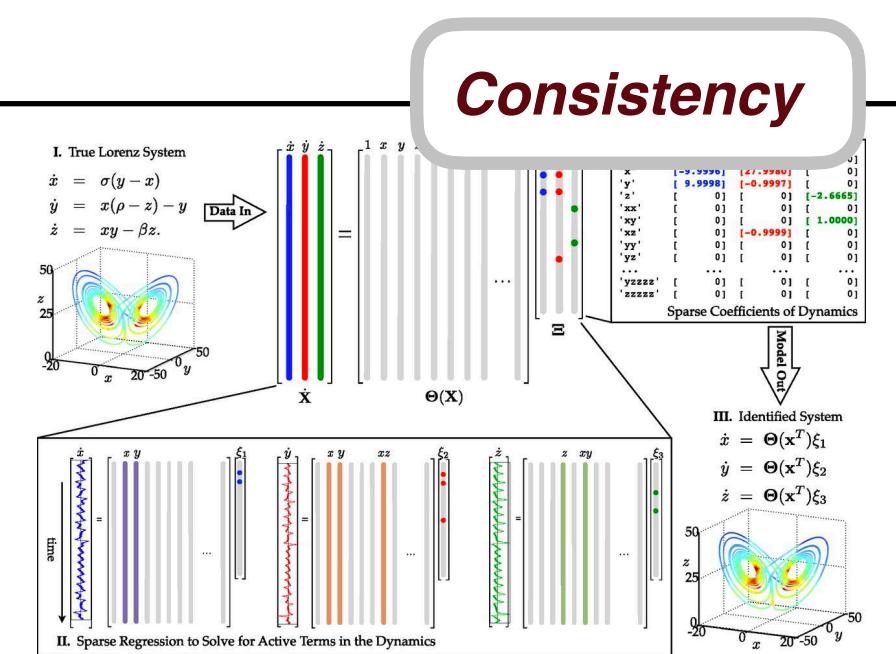
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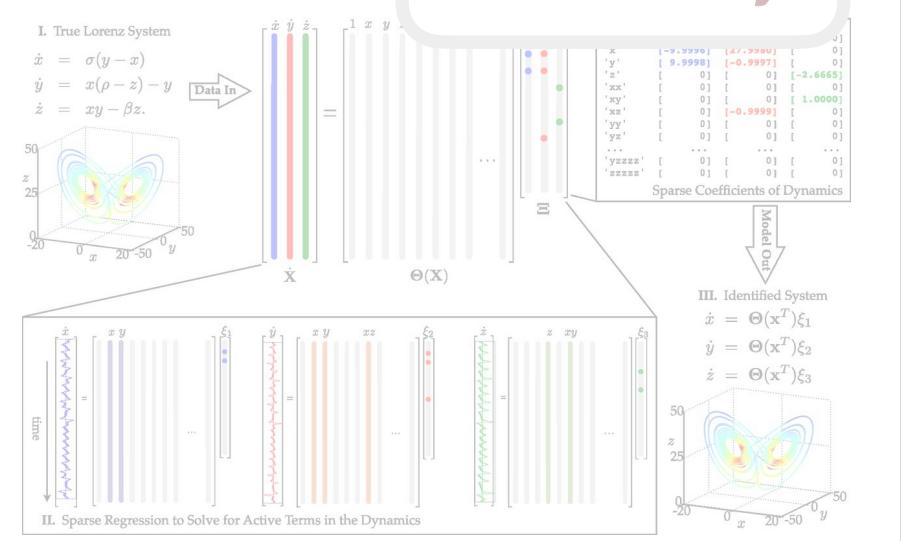
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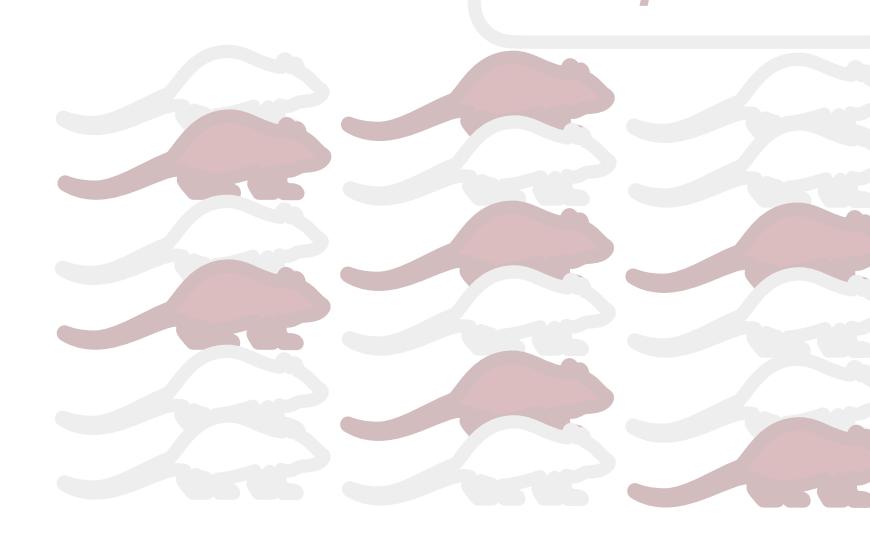
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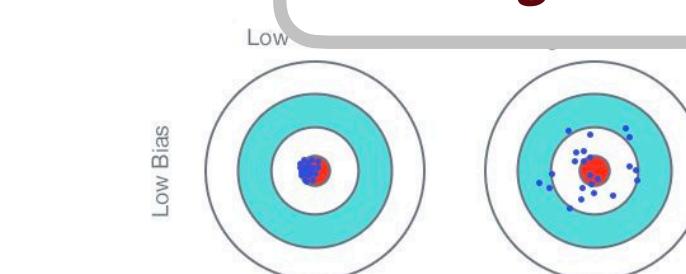
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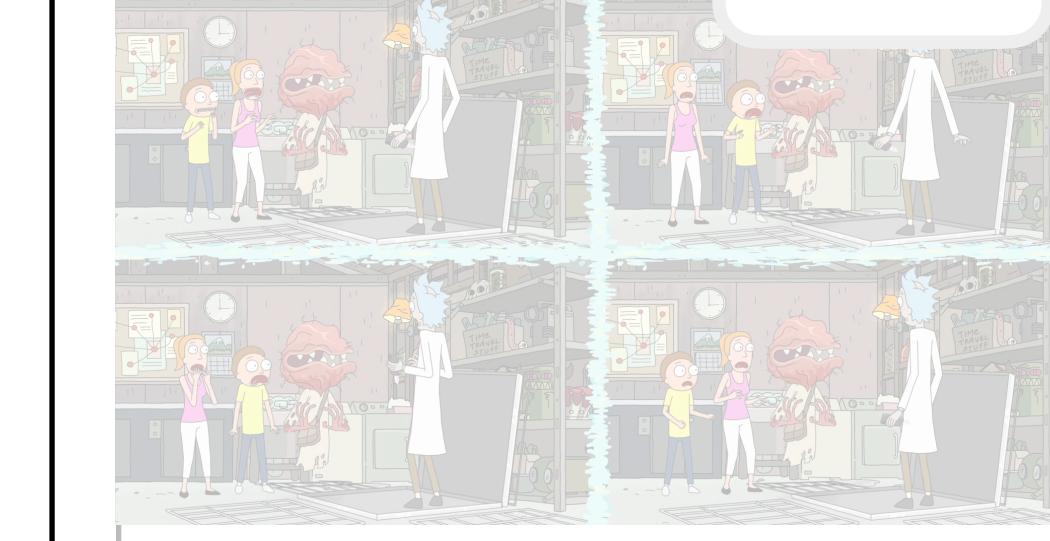


Model Learning



Today

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Inference

Optimal (Linear) Operator Learning

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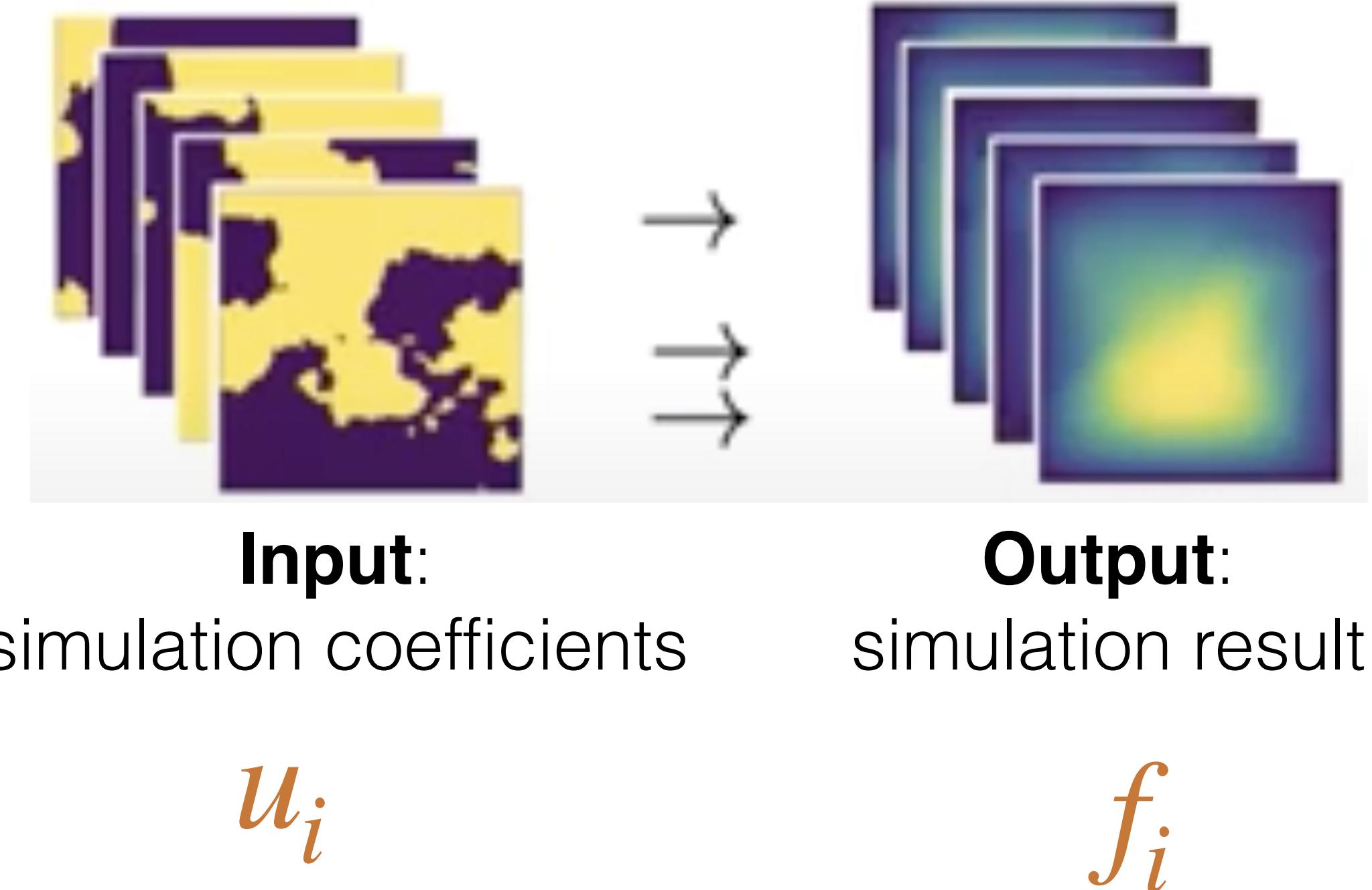
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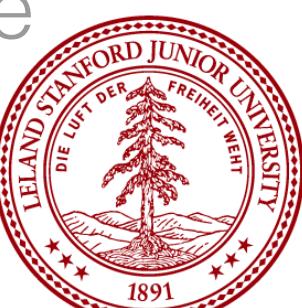
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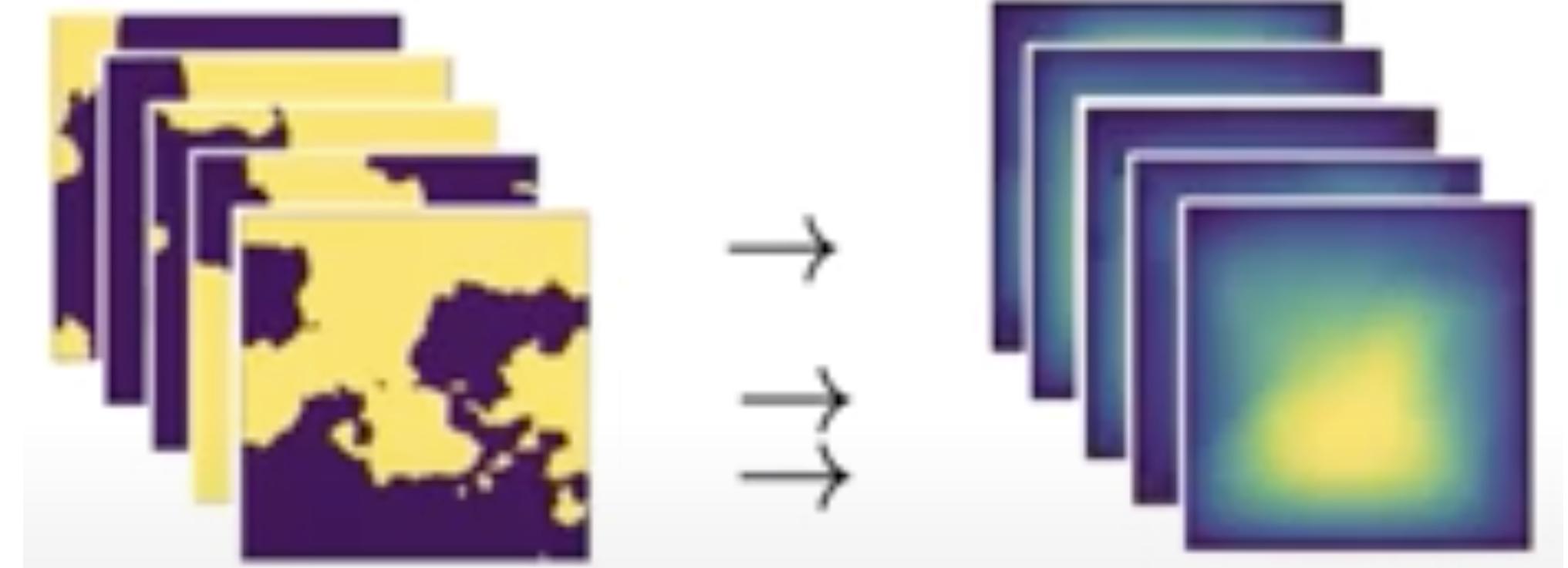
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(Linear) Operator Learning



Can we learn the mapping from **infinite dimensional space** to **infinite dimensional space**?

Functional data analysis!

Data are function pairs $\{u_i, f_i\}_{i=1}^n$

Aim

Learn a mapping from function space to function space

u_i

f_i

Let's first understand the linear case!

Linear Operator itself is important still...

Learn $p(Y|X)$ via learning the linear operator

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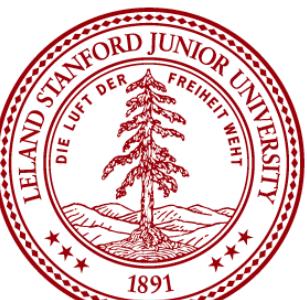
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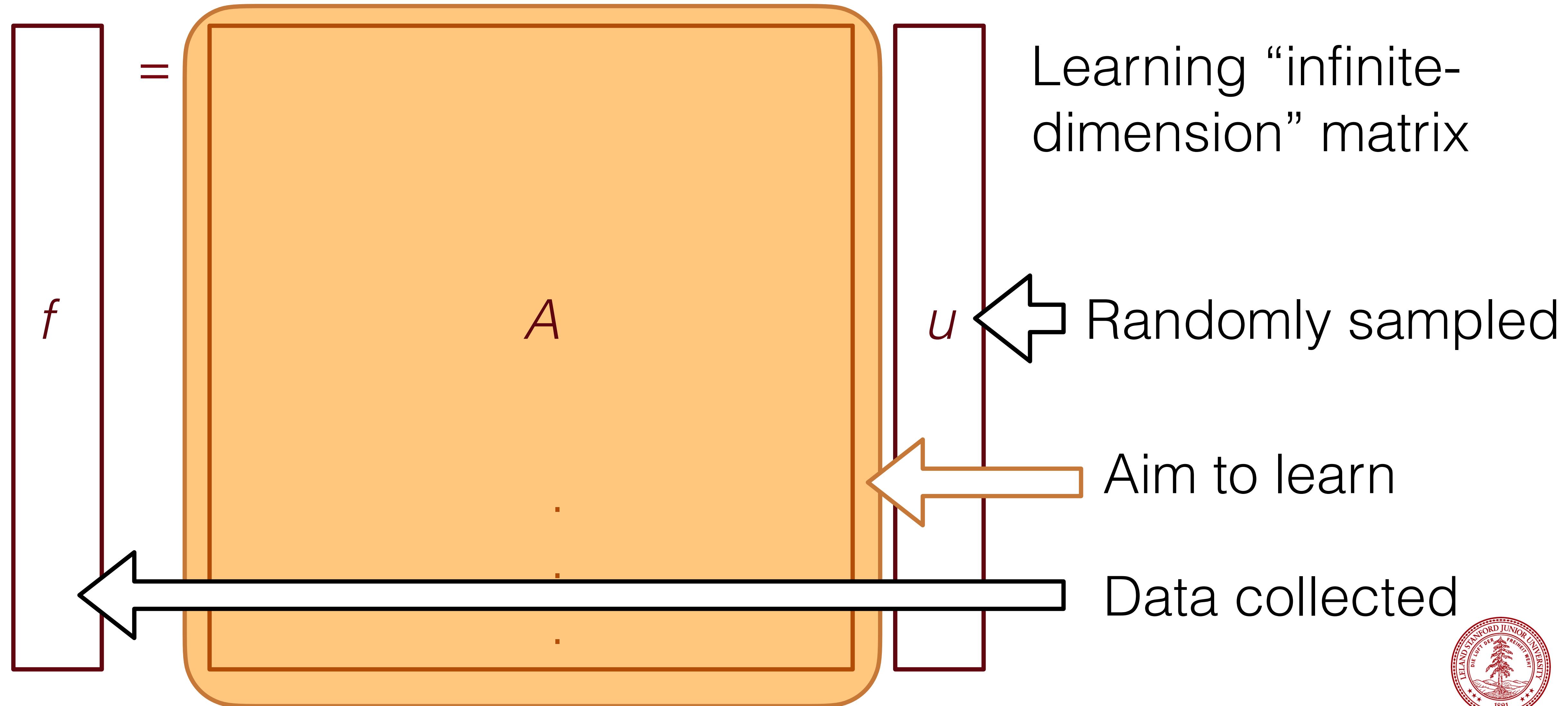
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Instrumental variable regression
[Singh-Chernozhukov-Newey 2022]

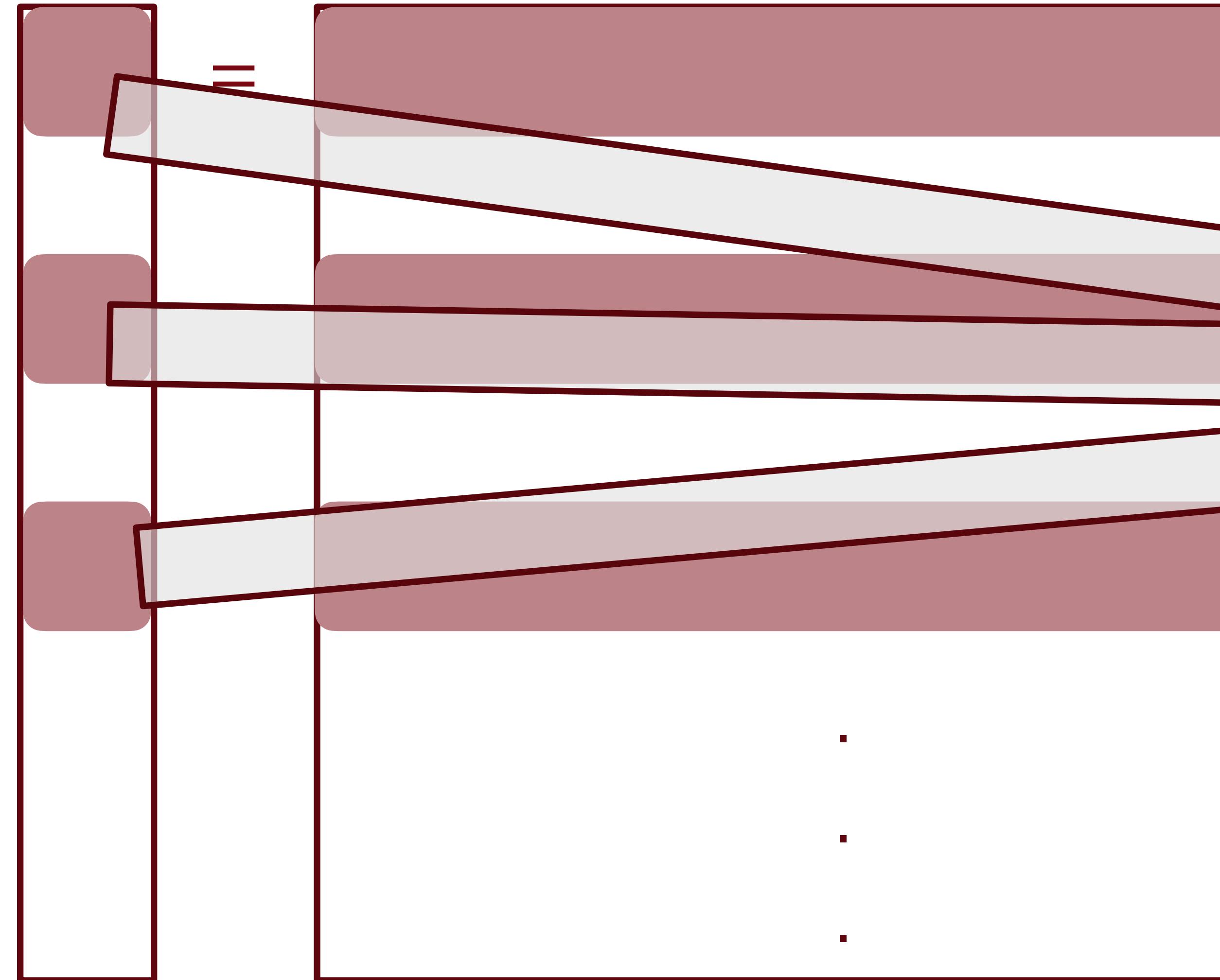
Time series modeling
[Kostic-Novelli-Maurere-Ciliberto-Rosasco-Pontil 2022]



Linear Operator Learning



Why infinite dimensional operator is hard

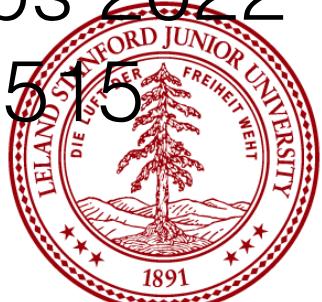


Learning “infinite-dimension” matrix

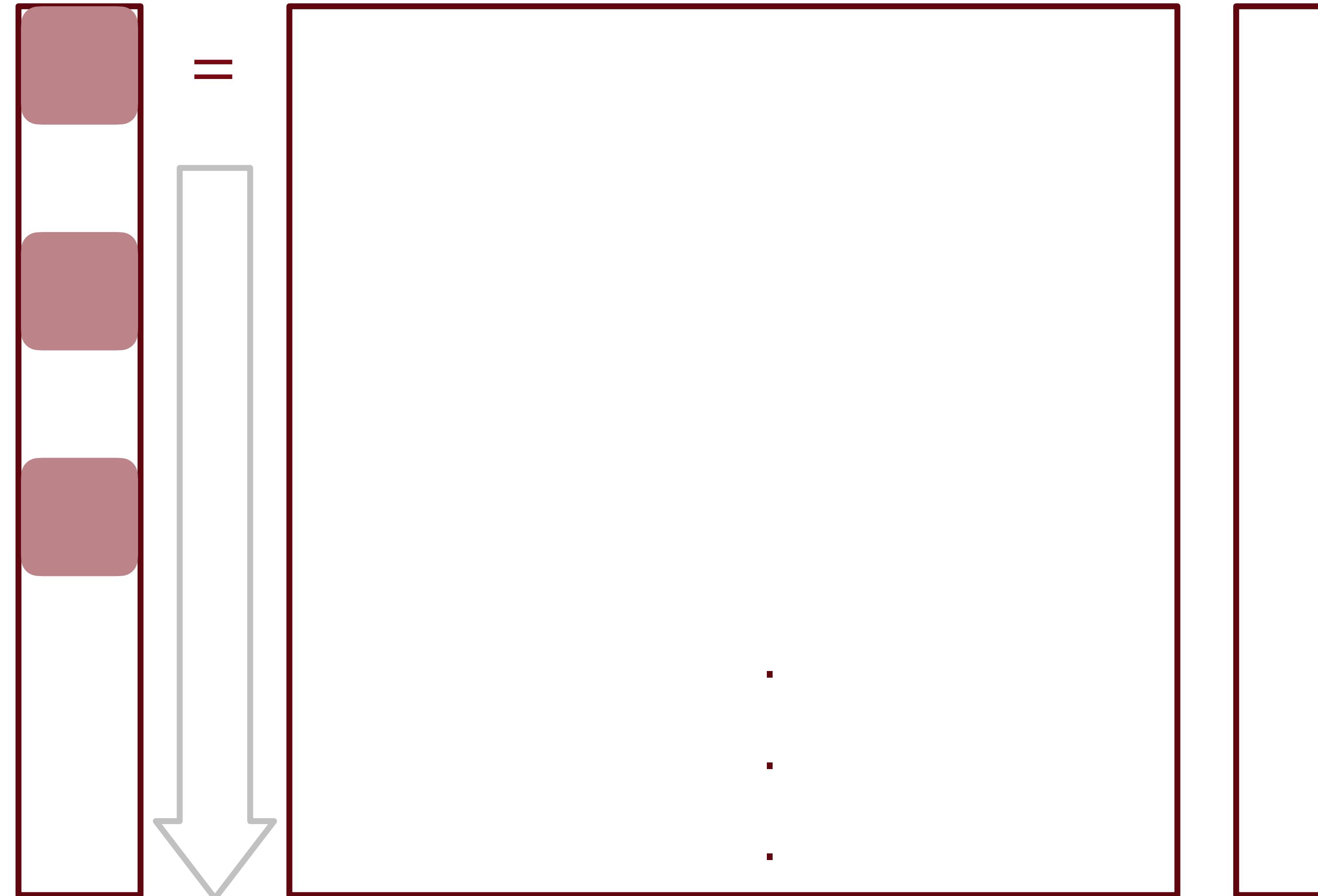
If every row have $O(1)$ variance,
The total variance is ∞

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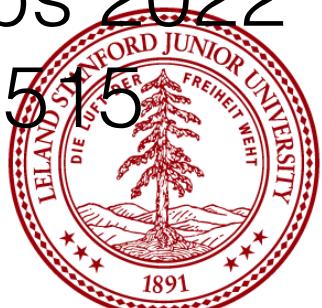
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Previous Work:
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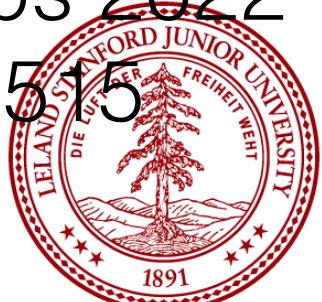
Will removing the fast variance decay assumption leads to some thing different?

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Decay
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Direct Discretization may be suboptimal



Although nature is infinite dimensional, I can always project it to finite dimensional. Why I should care the infinite dimensional learning?

This Talk

The discretization may lead to suboptimal rate!

Spaces we are interested

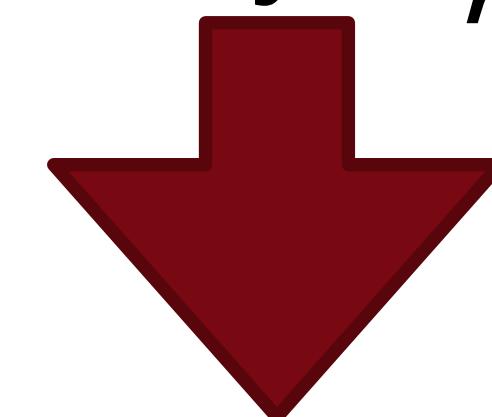
Hilbert space have finite variance as finite dimensional space

Eigen decomposition

$$\begin{matrix} \text{[Large gray rectangle]} \\ = \lambda_1 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{[Small gray rectangle]} \\ + \dots \end{matrix}$$

$$K(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n e_n(u) e_n(v)$$

Eigen decay $\lambda_n \propto n^{-\frac{1}{p}}$



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“slower eigendecay”



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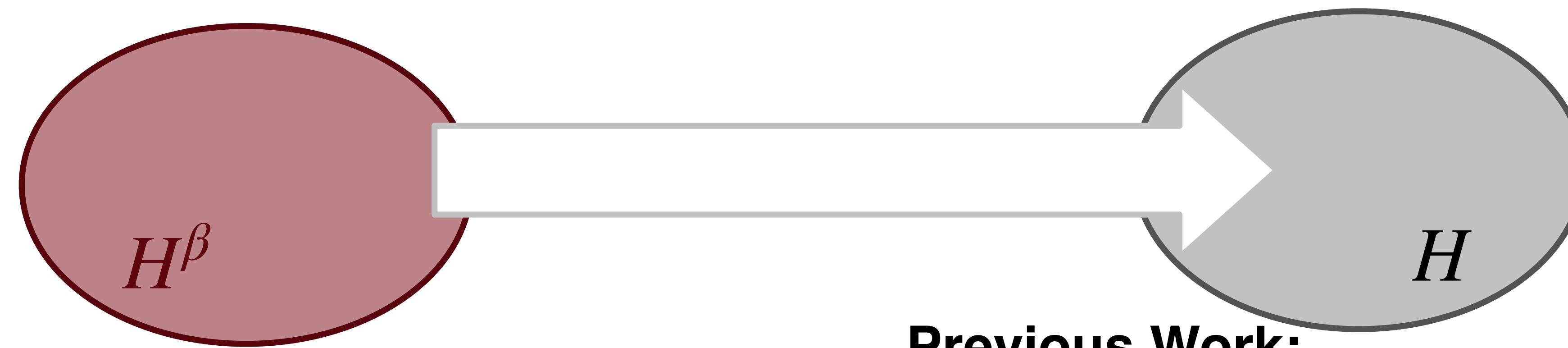
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Problem Formulation



H^{β} is a larger space

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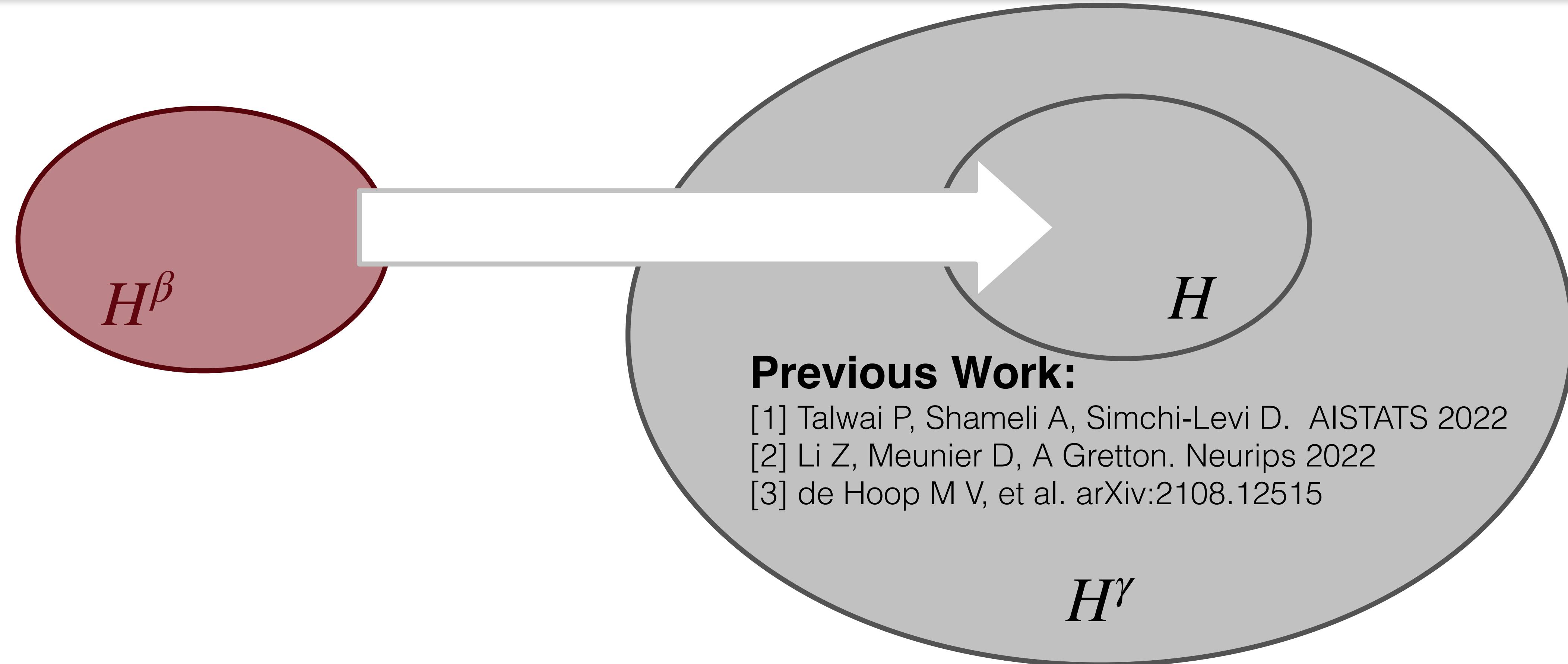
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Δ doesn't belong to the space

Same technique as $H^{\beta} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for ridge regression



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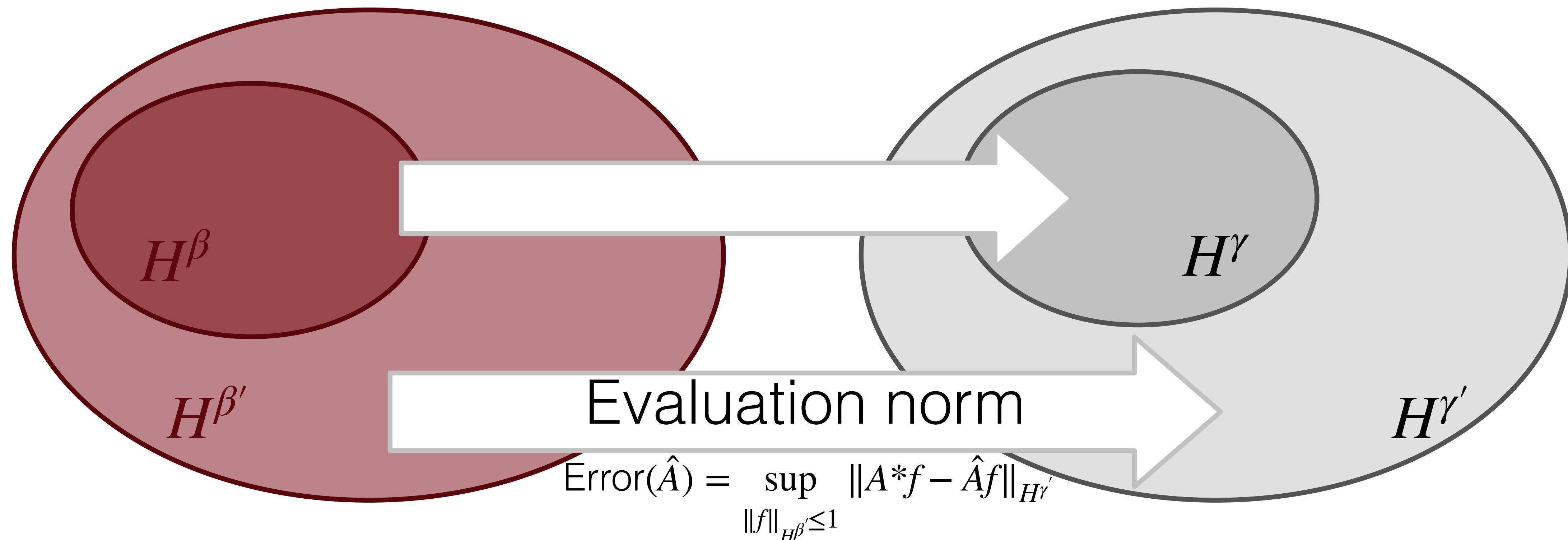
How the optimal rate depend on γ (output space complexity)?
Is the previous algorithm still Optimal?



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Respect to $\|\cdot\|_{H^{\beta'} \rightarrow H^{\gamma'}}$

Hilbert-schmidt norm



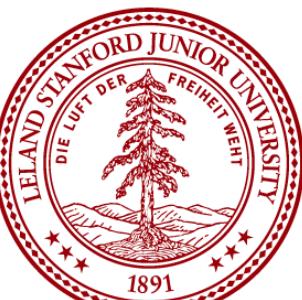
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With N random observations

Only input function space
Same rate as previous work
 p : Eigen-decay of RKHS



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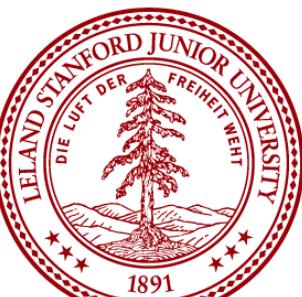
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Reason we introduce the test norm



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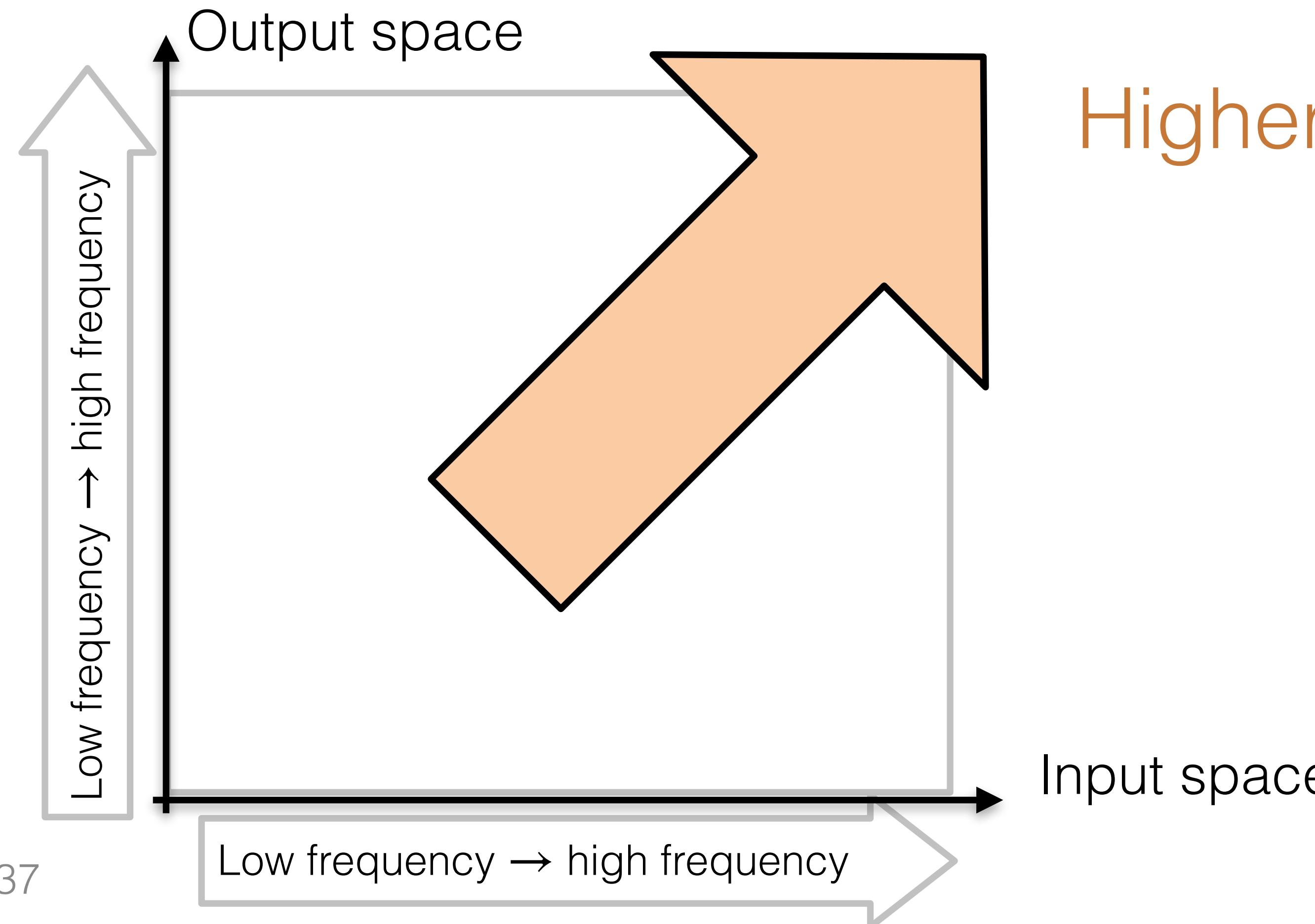
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A magic result, can you explain it to me in a simple way?

Consider the matrix view...

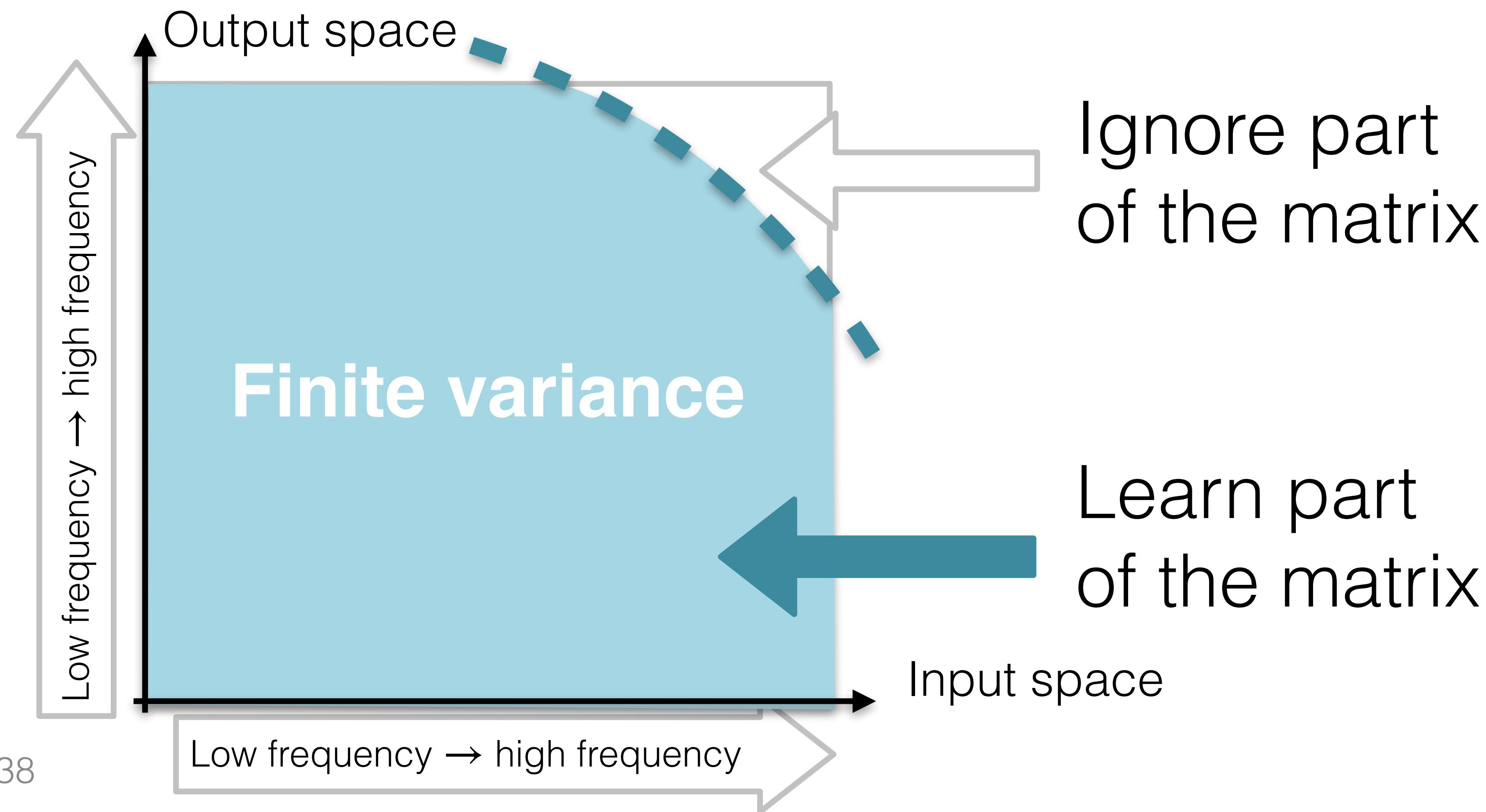
Operator is an “infinite” dimensional “matrix”



Higher Variance but Smaller Bias

Bias Variance Tradeoff

What is needed to achieve N^θ learning rate



"Trade off"

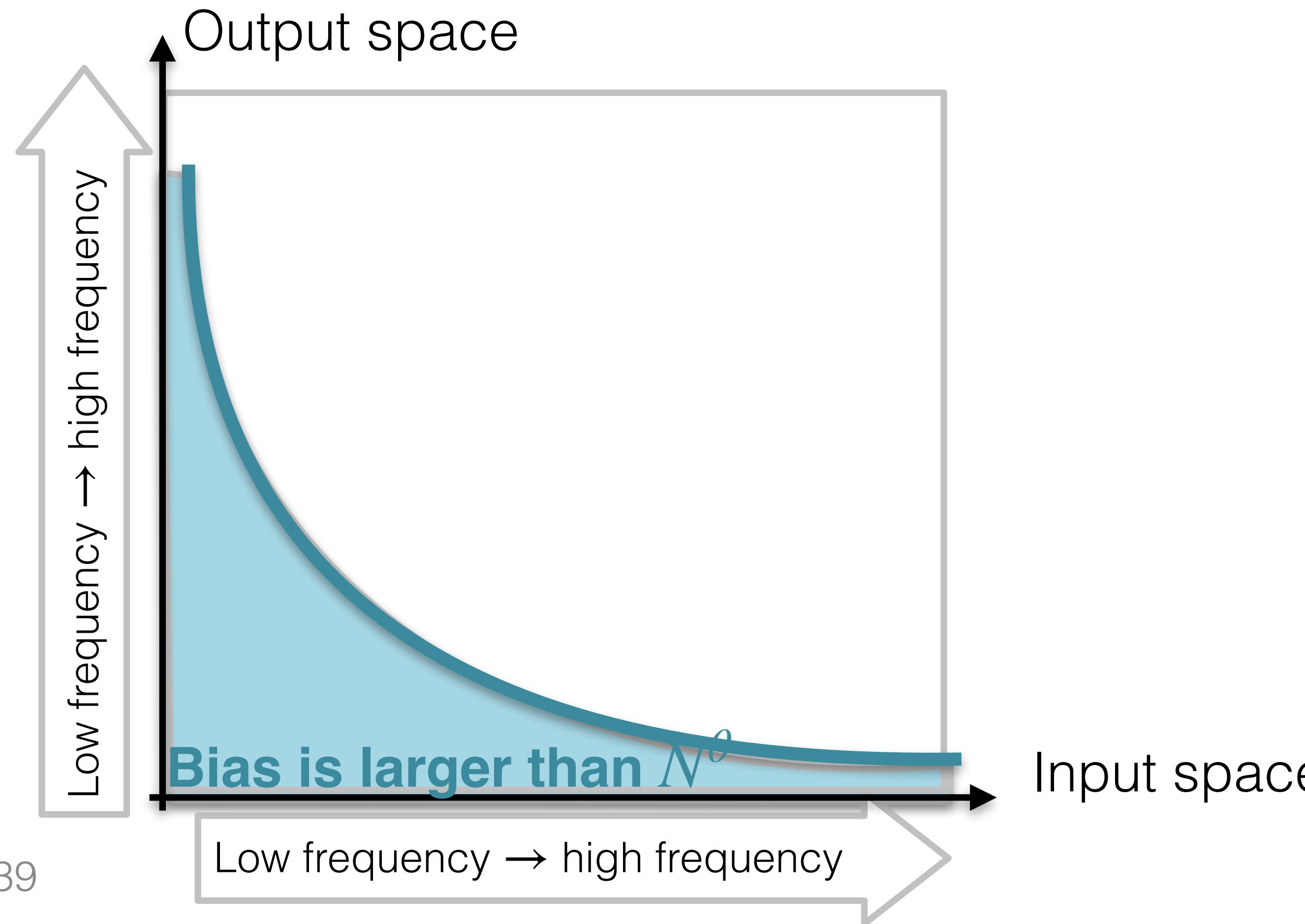
Bias
approximation error

+

Variance

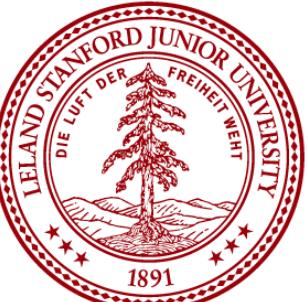
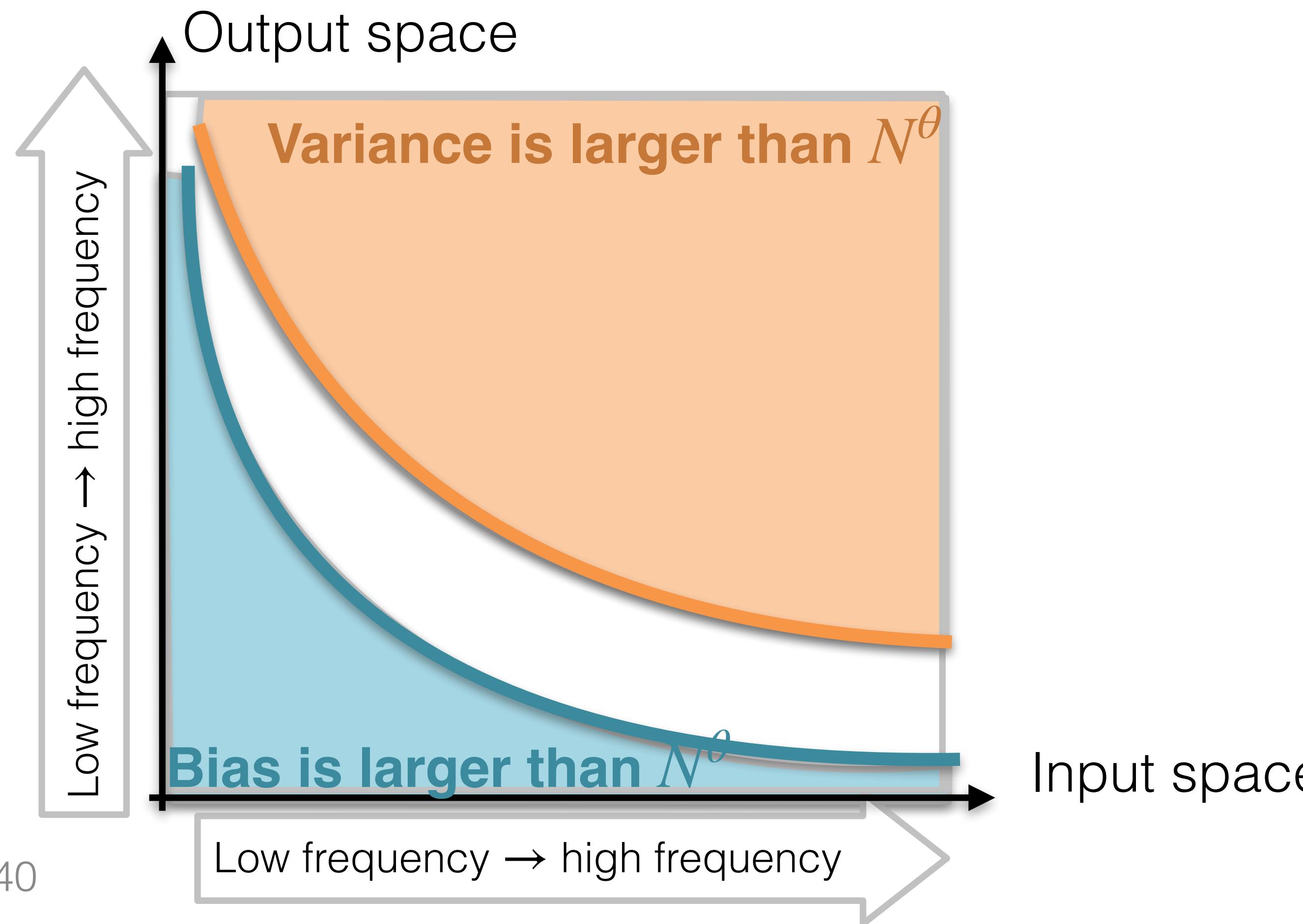
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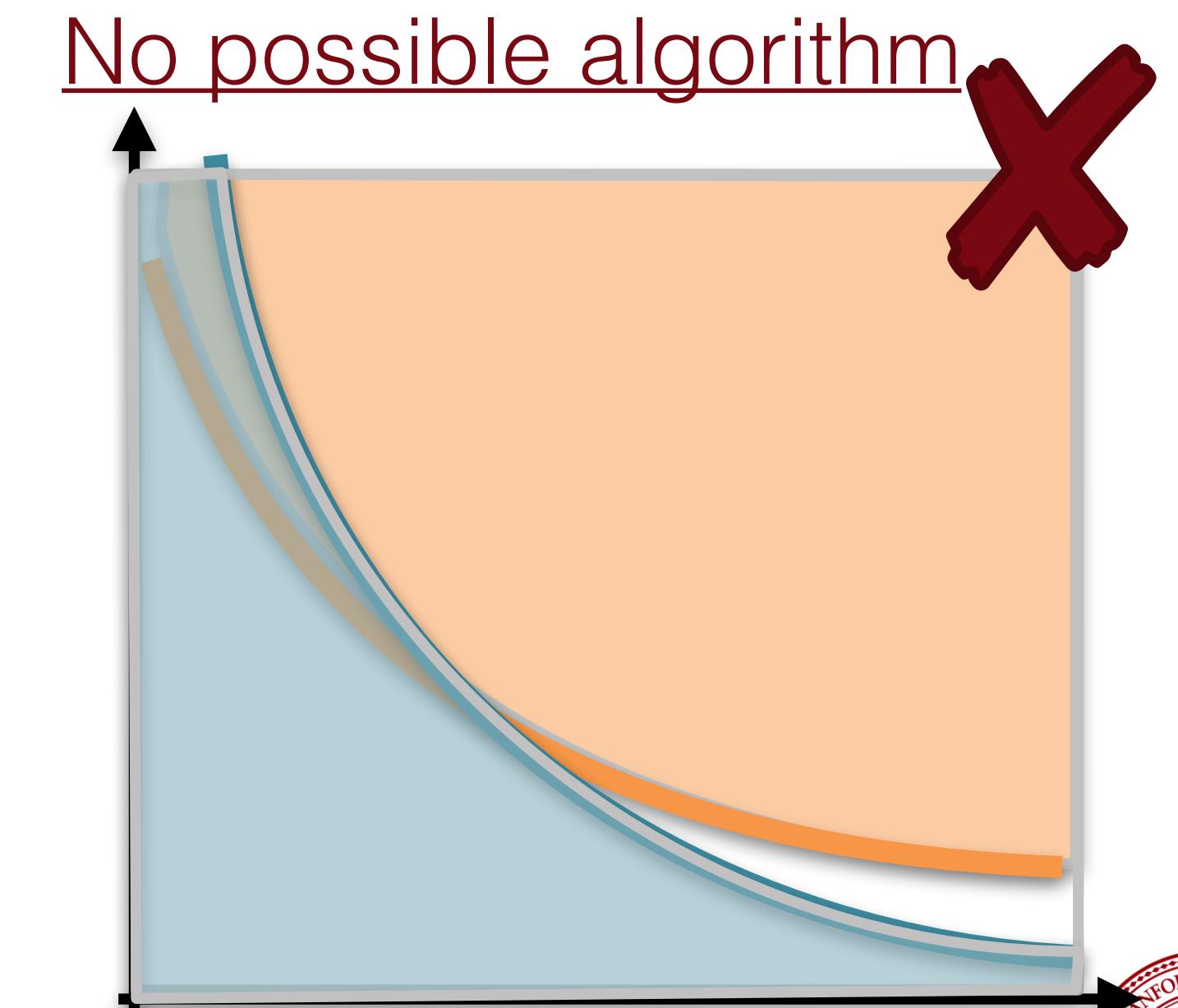
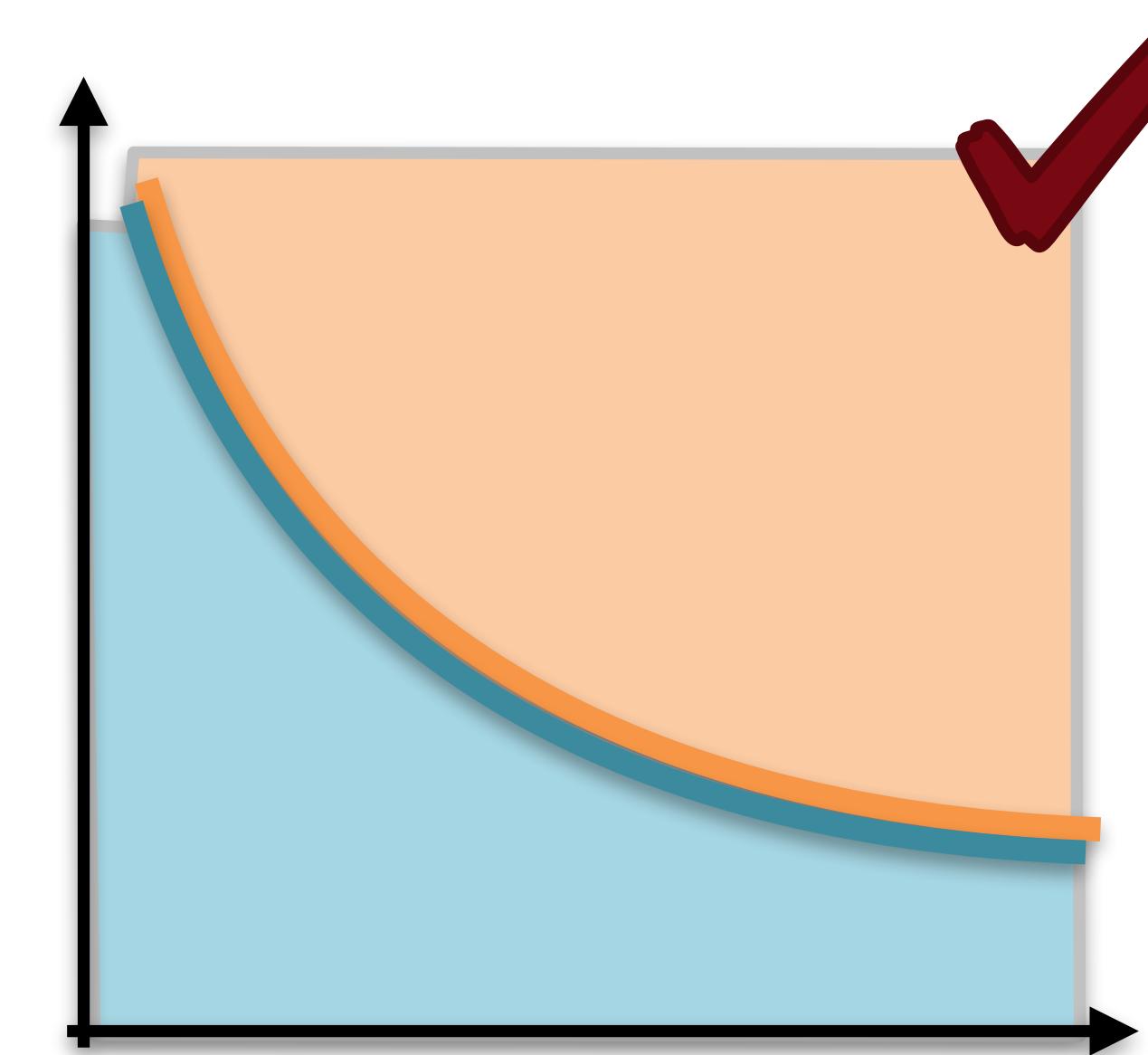
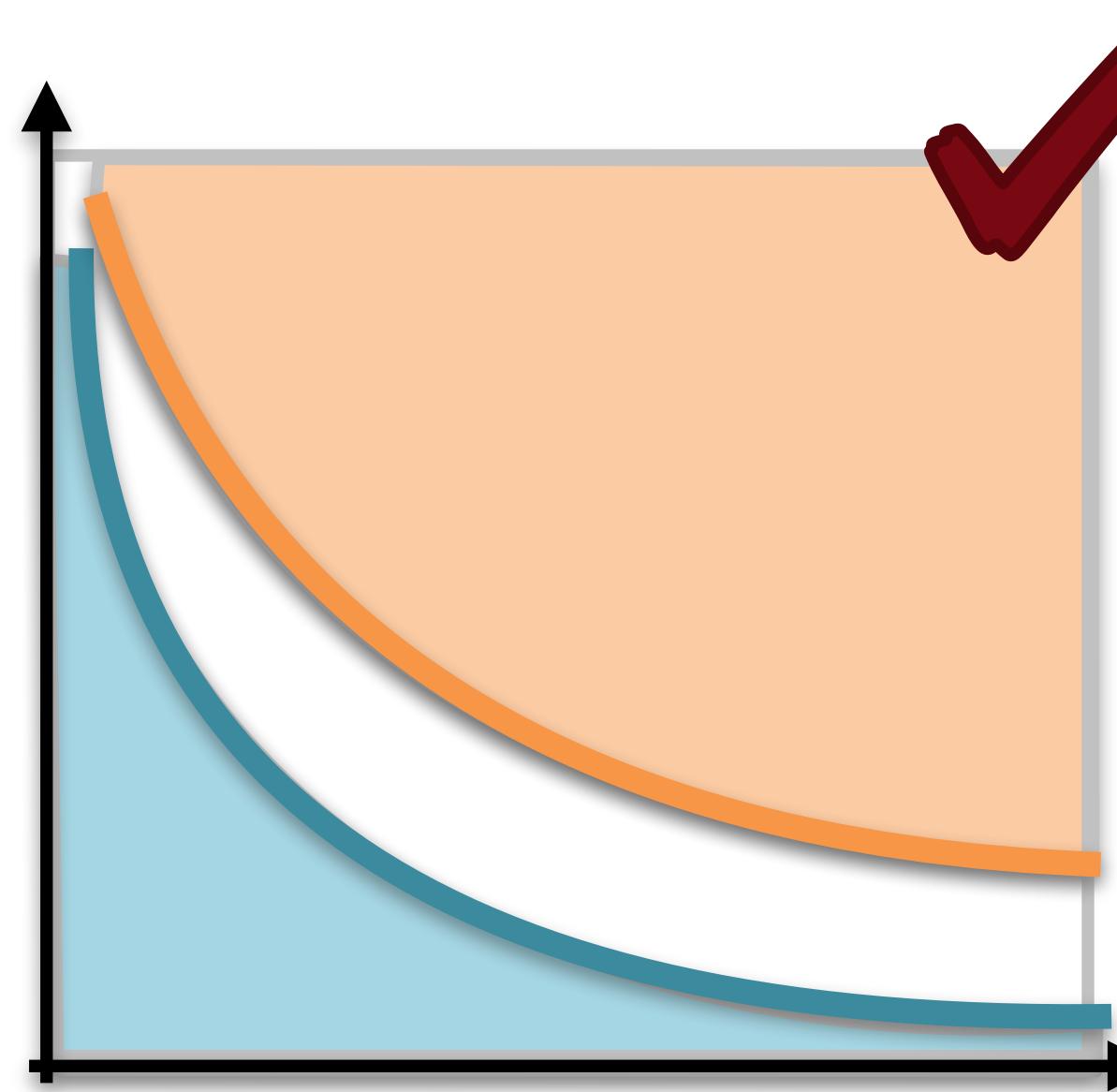
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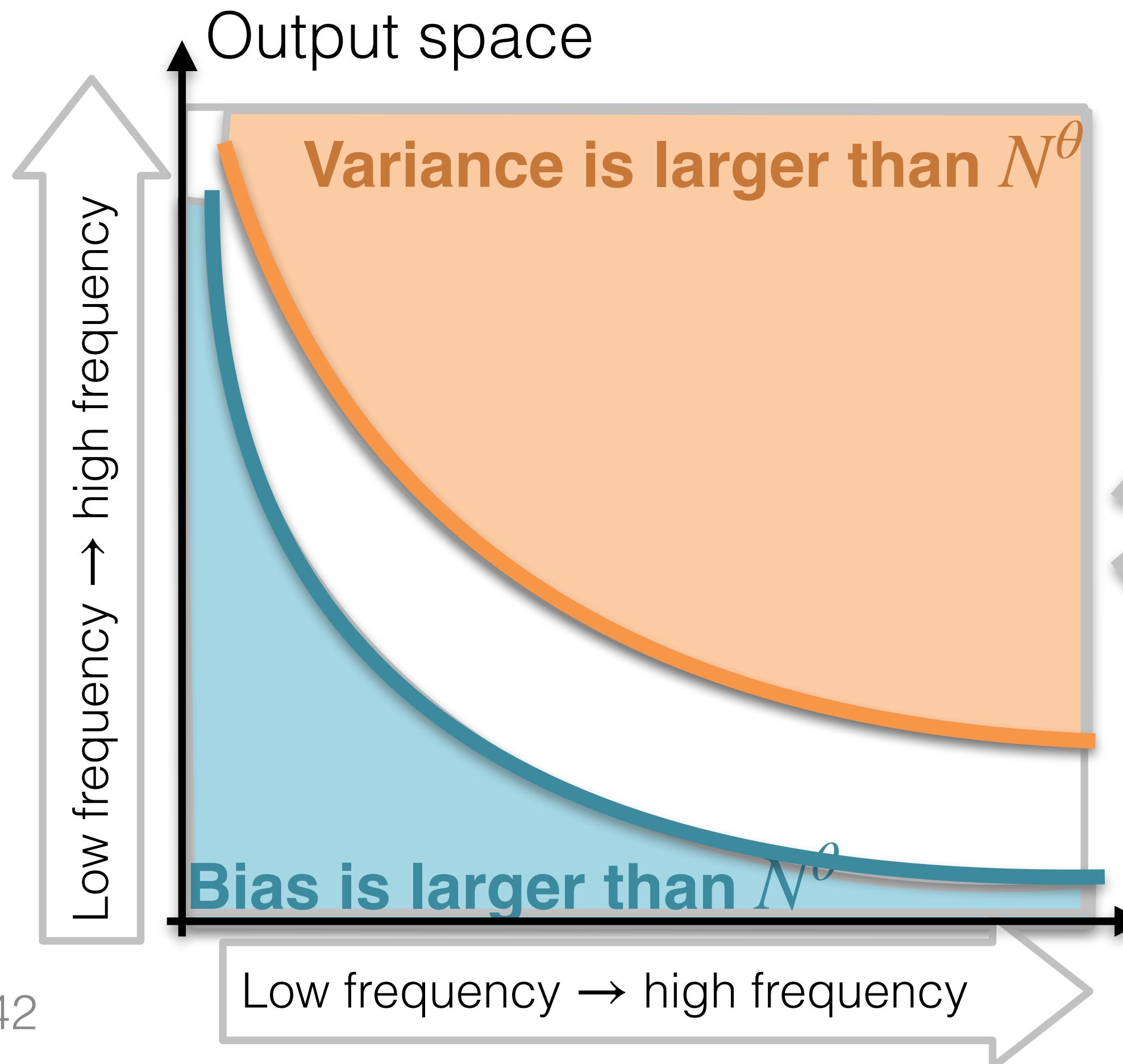
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When θ varies, there are three possible cases



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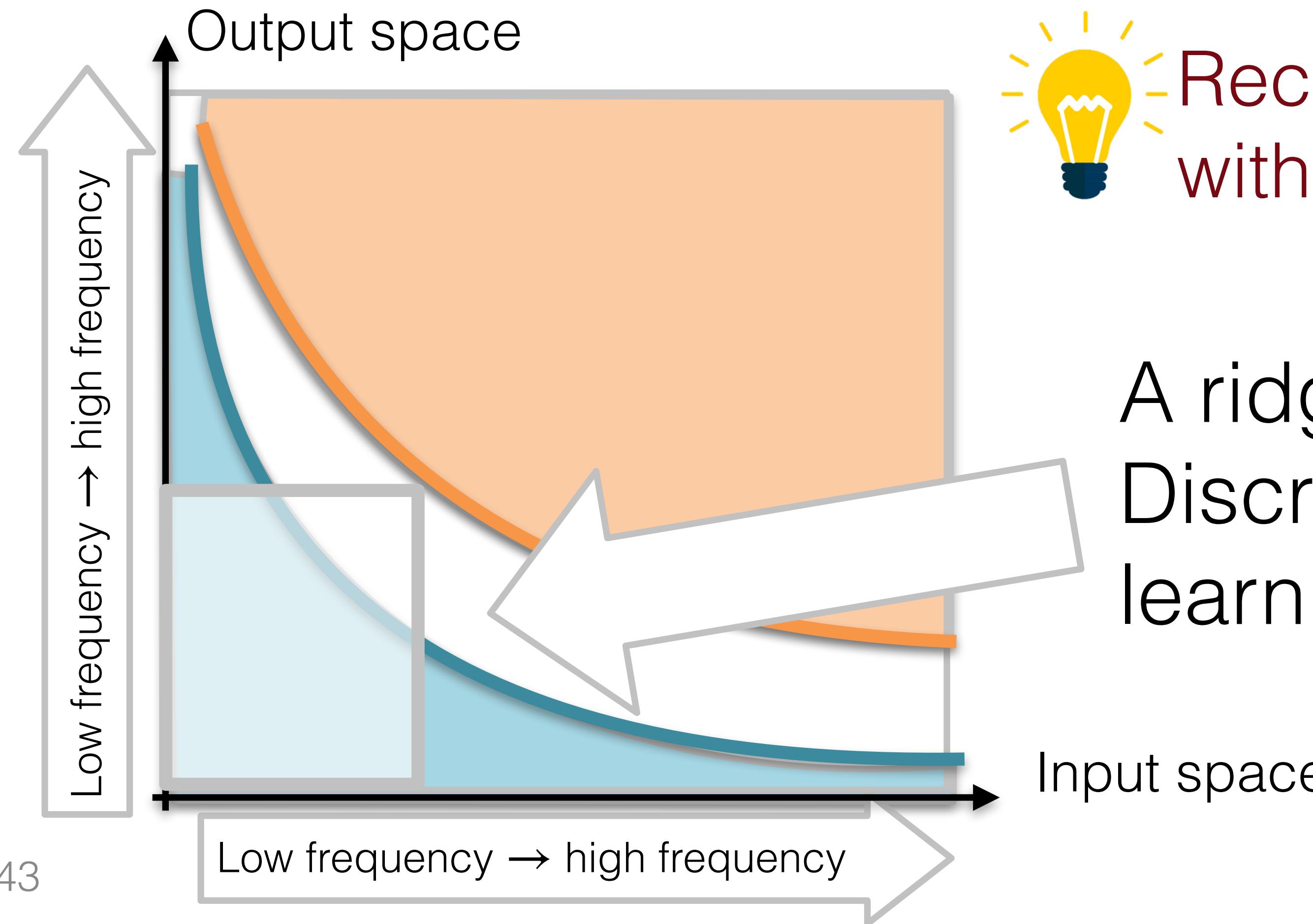
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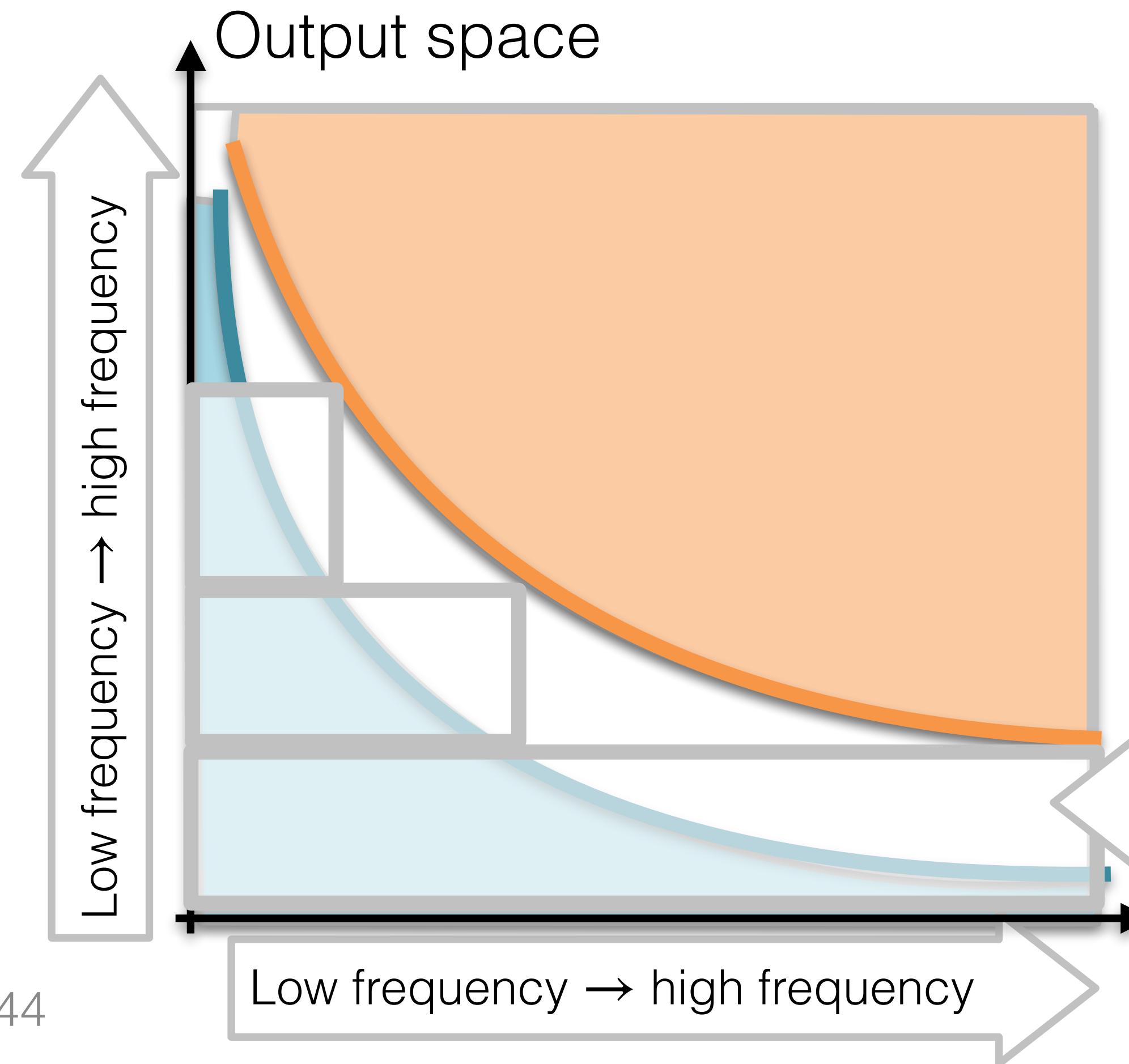
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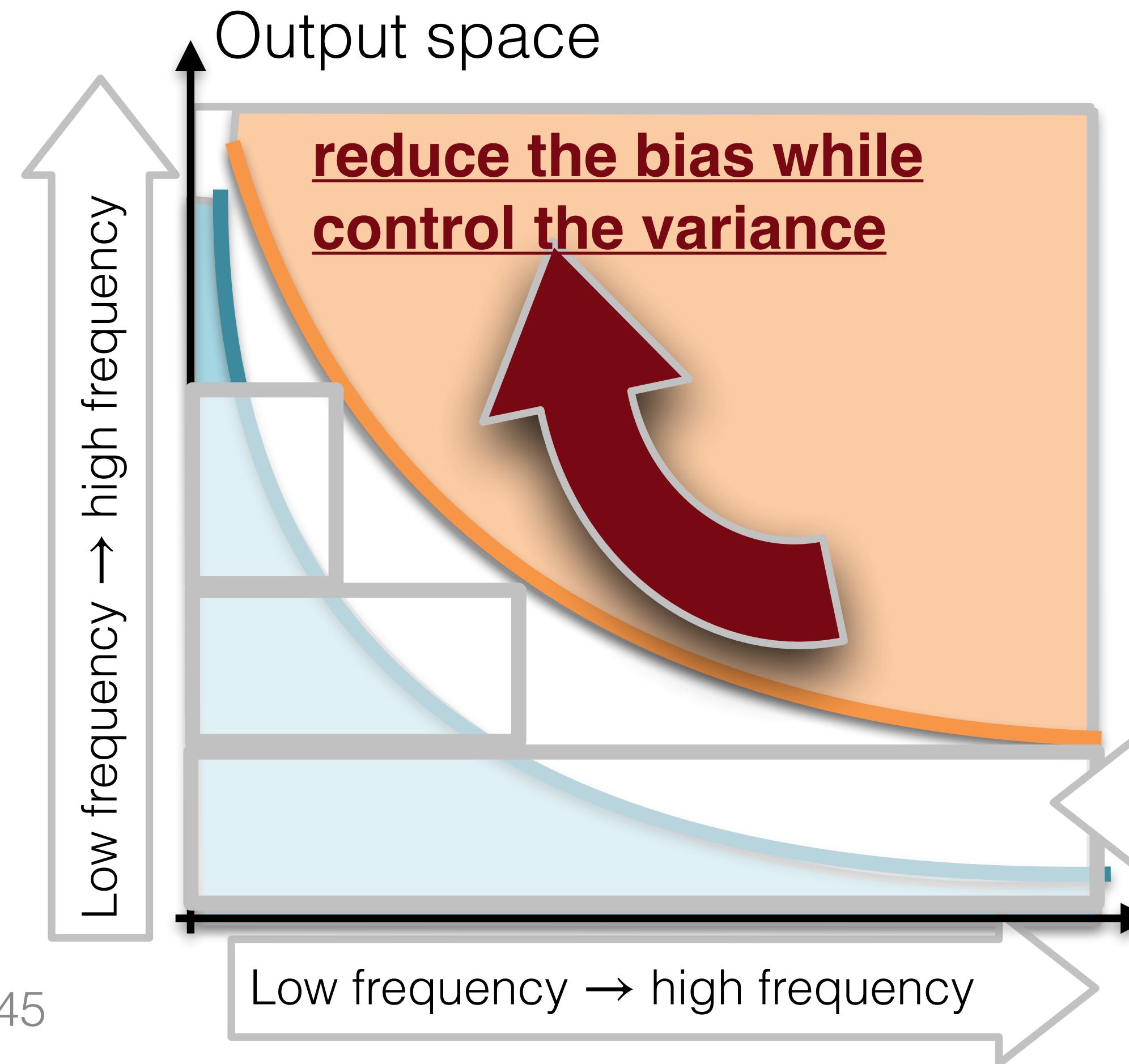
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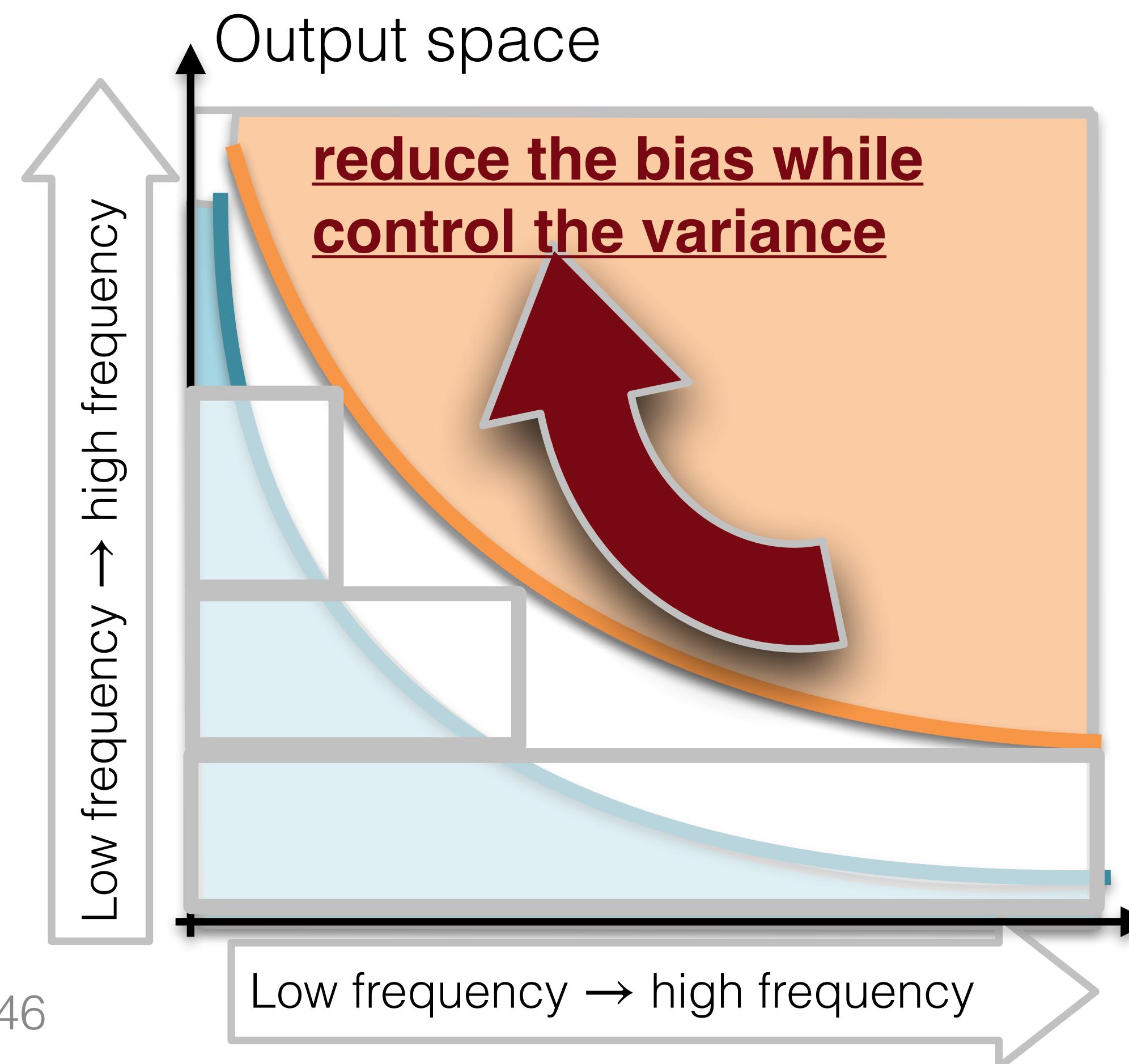
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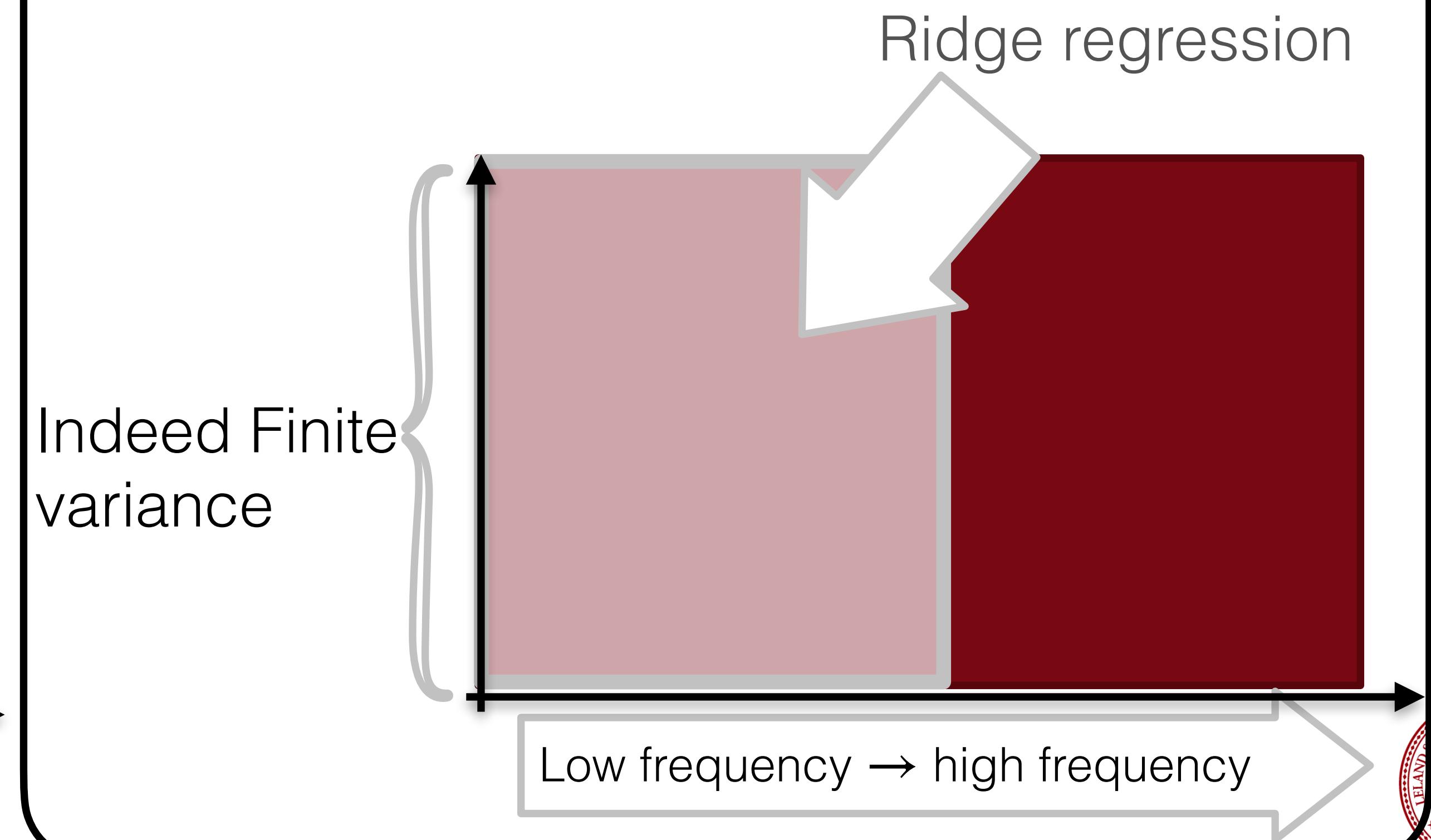
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Optimal Algorithm Changed...



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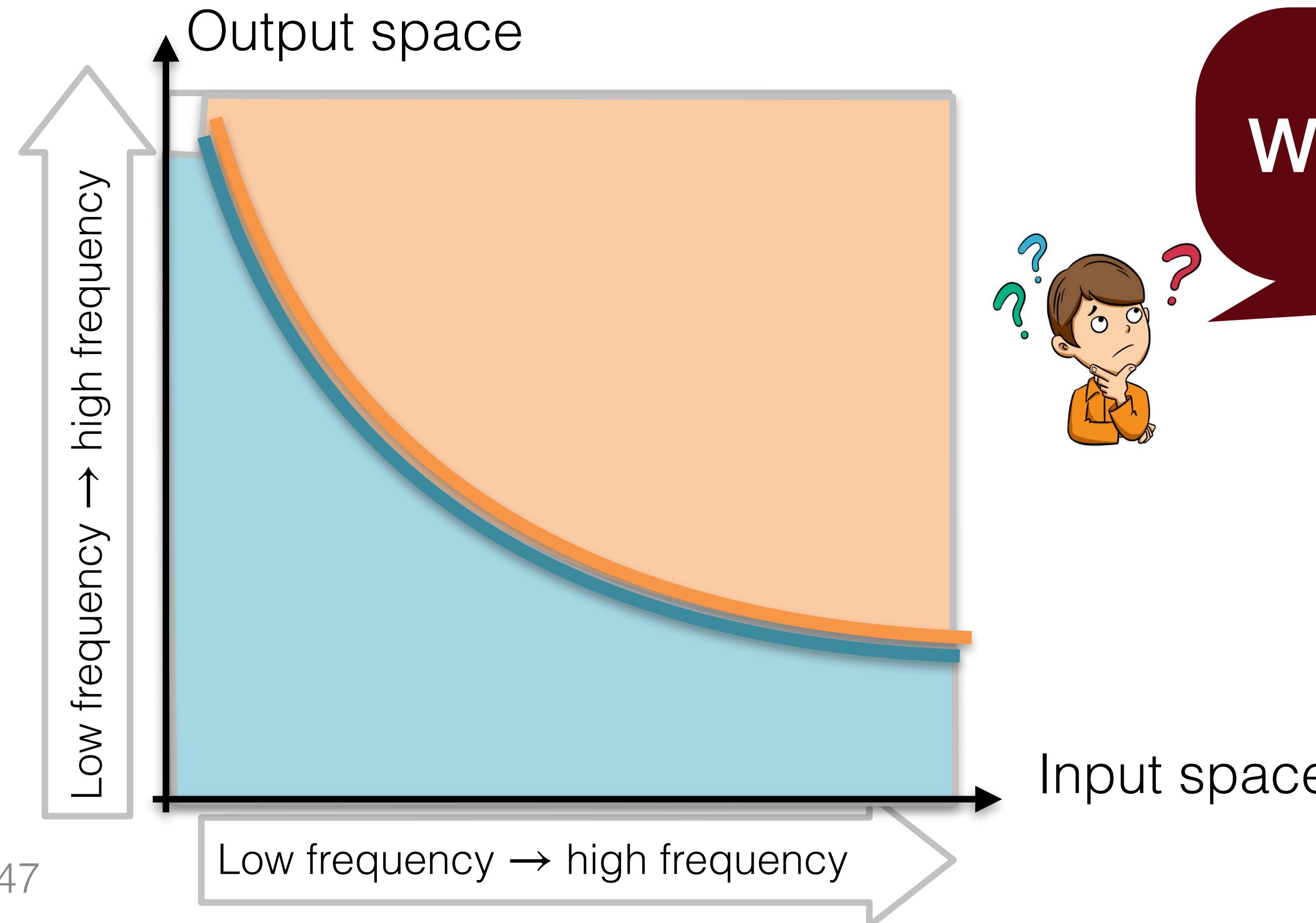
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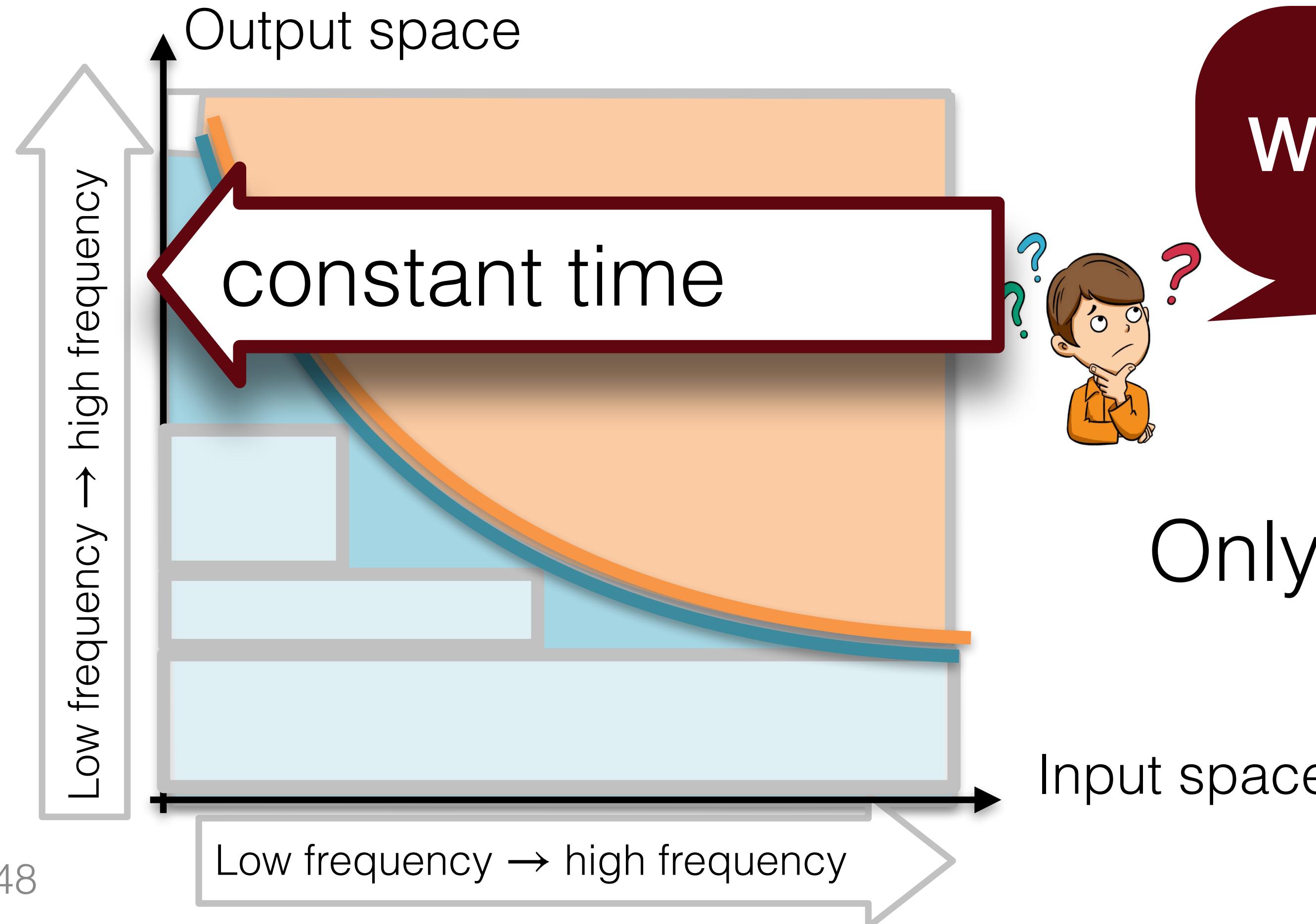
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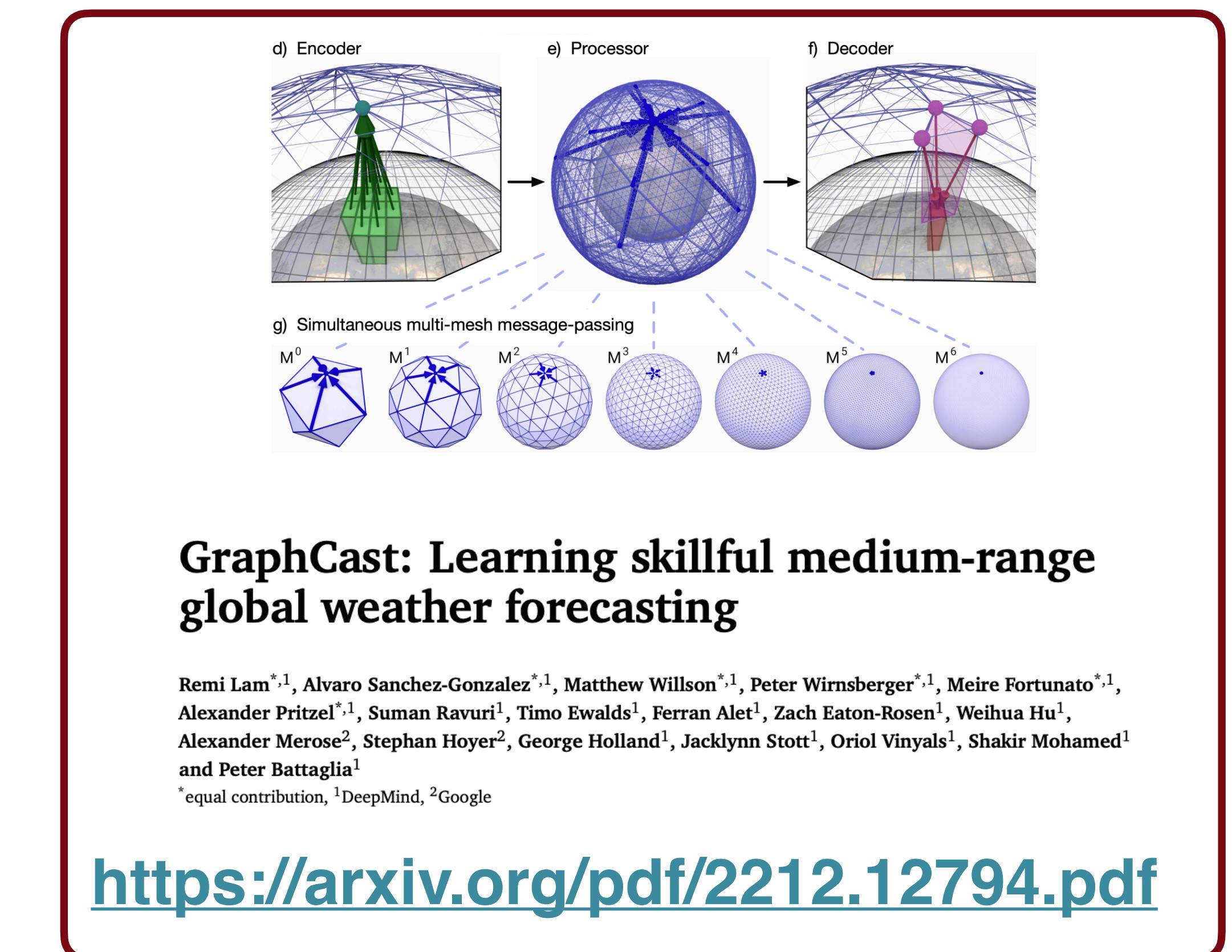
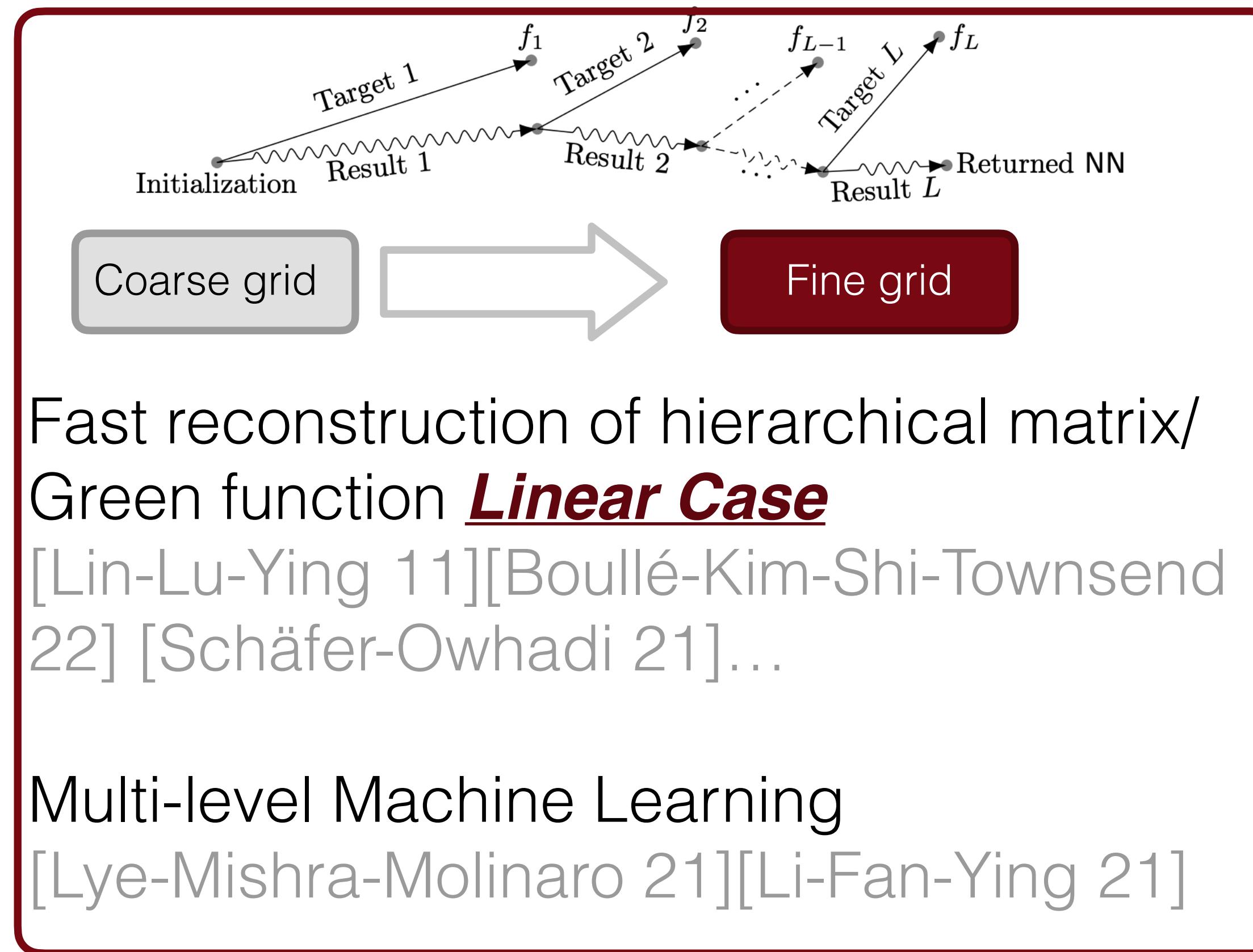
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Take home message

Learning in infinite dimensional space is hard due to the infinite variance

The hardness of learning a linear operator is determined by the harder part between the input and output space
(In some cases, infinite variance will not leads to slower rate)

Single level ML leads to sub-optimal rate, multi-level is needed.

(Matches empirical use)



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E.g. Drift, Diffusion Strength

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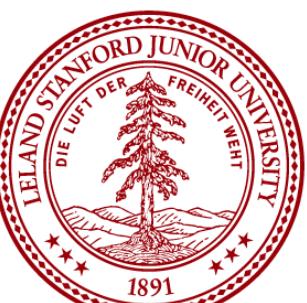
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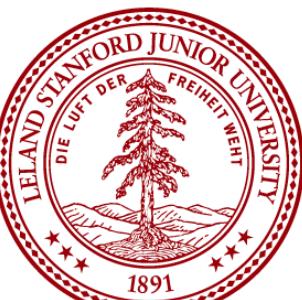
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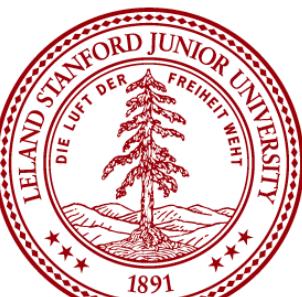
“implicit Sobolev acceleration”

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Faster

[Lu-Blanchet-Ying Neurips22] analysis the
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Using sobolev norm as loss function
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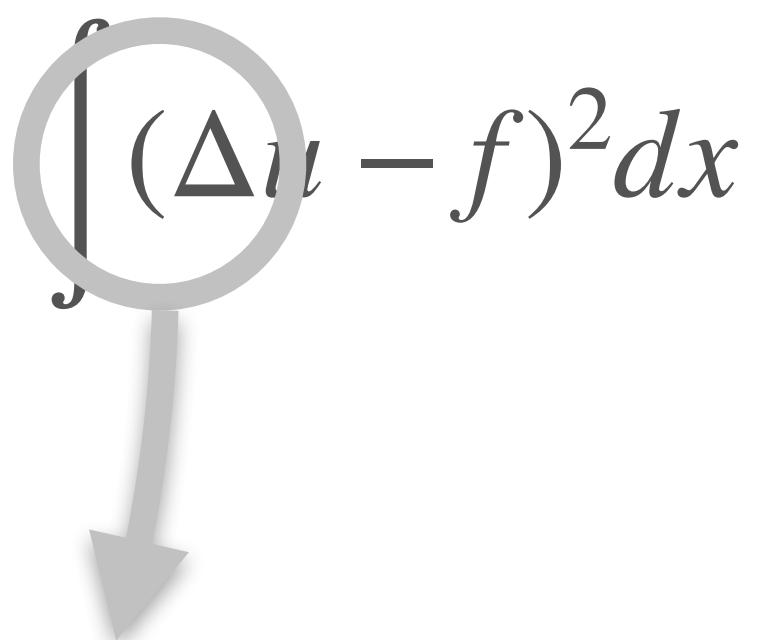
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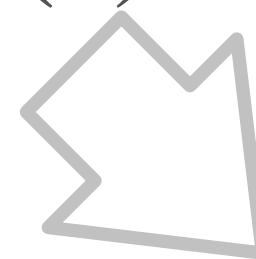
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“Differential operator preconditions the kernel integral operator”

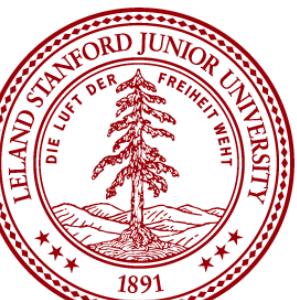
Insight for Selecting Algorithm

- **Deep Ritz Method** High dimensional problem
Smooth problem
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S is the smoothness

I don't care theory, what can you tell me?



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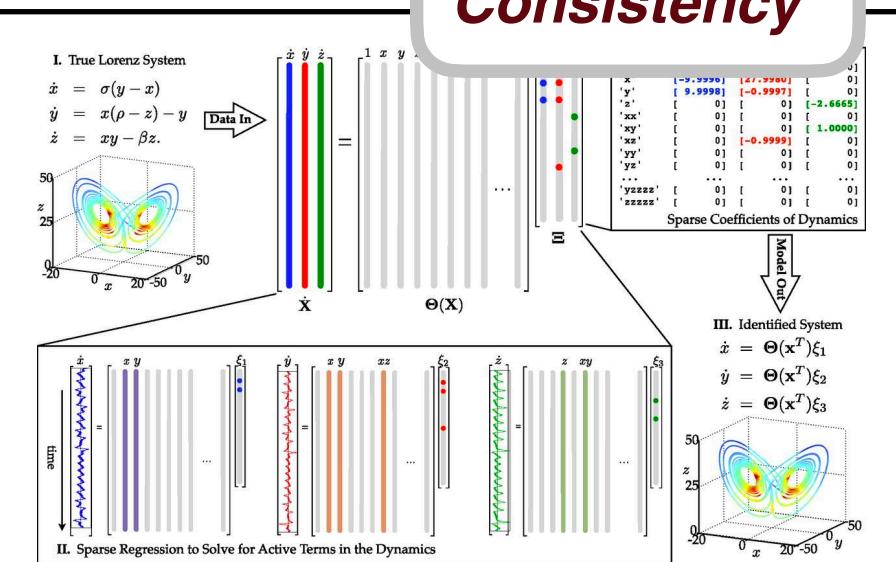
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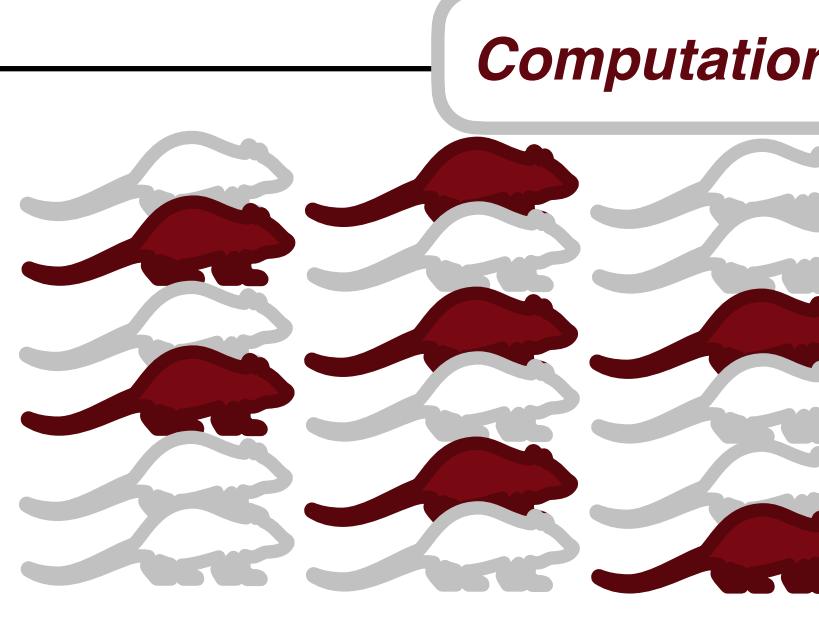
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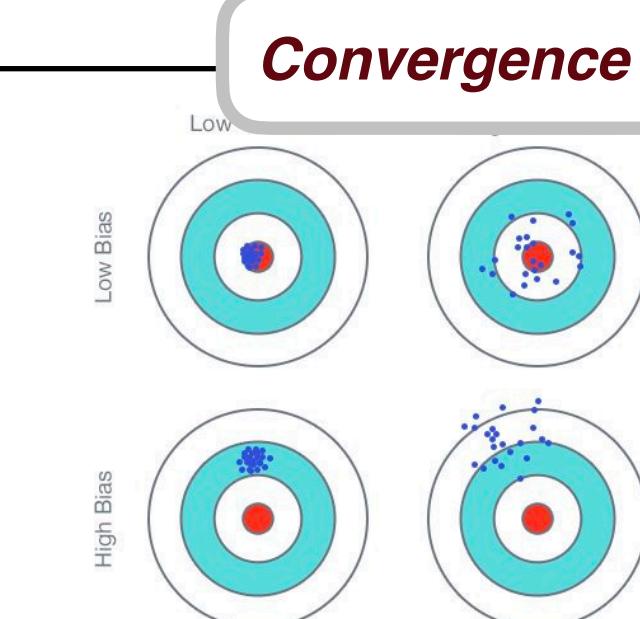
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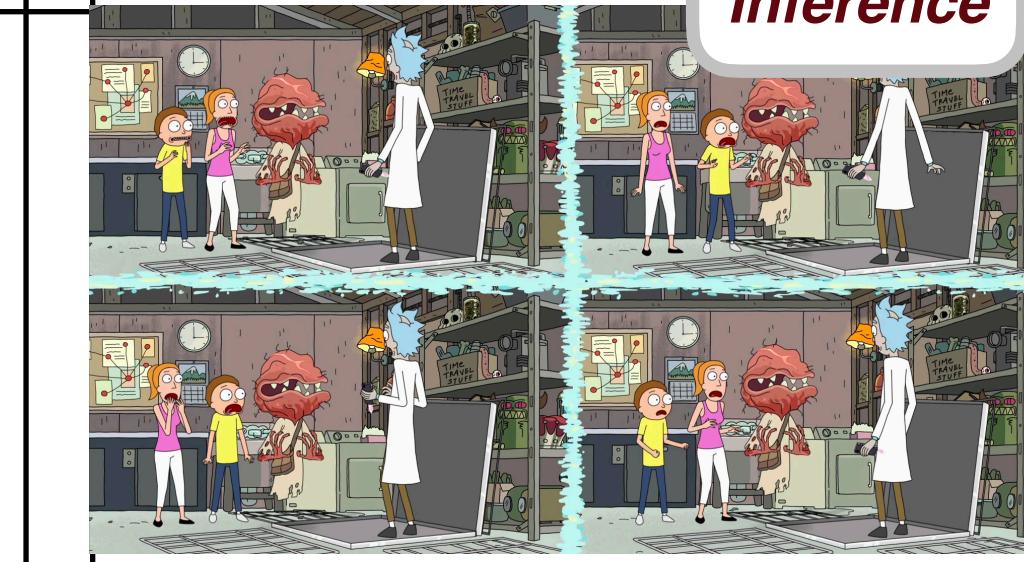
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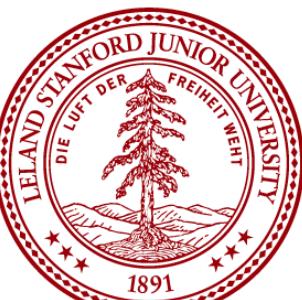
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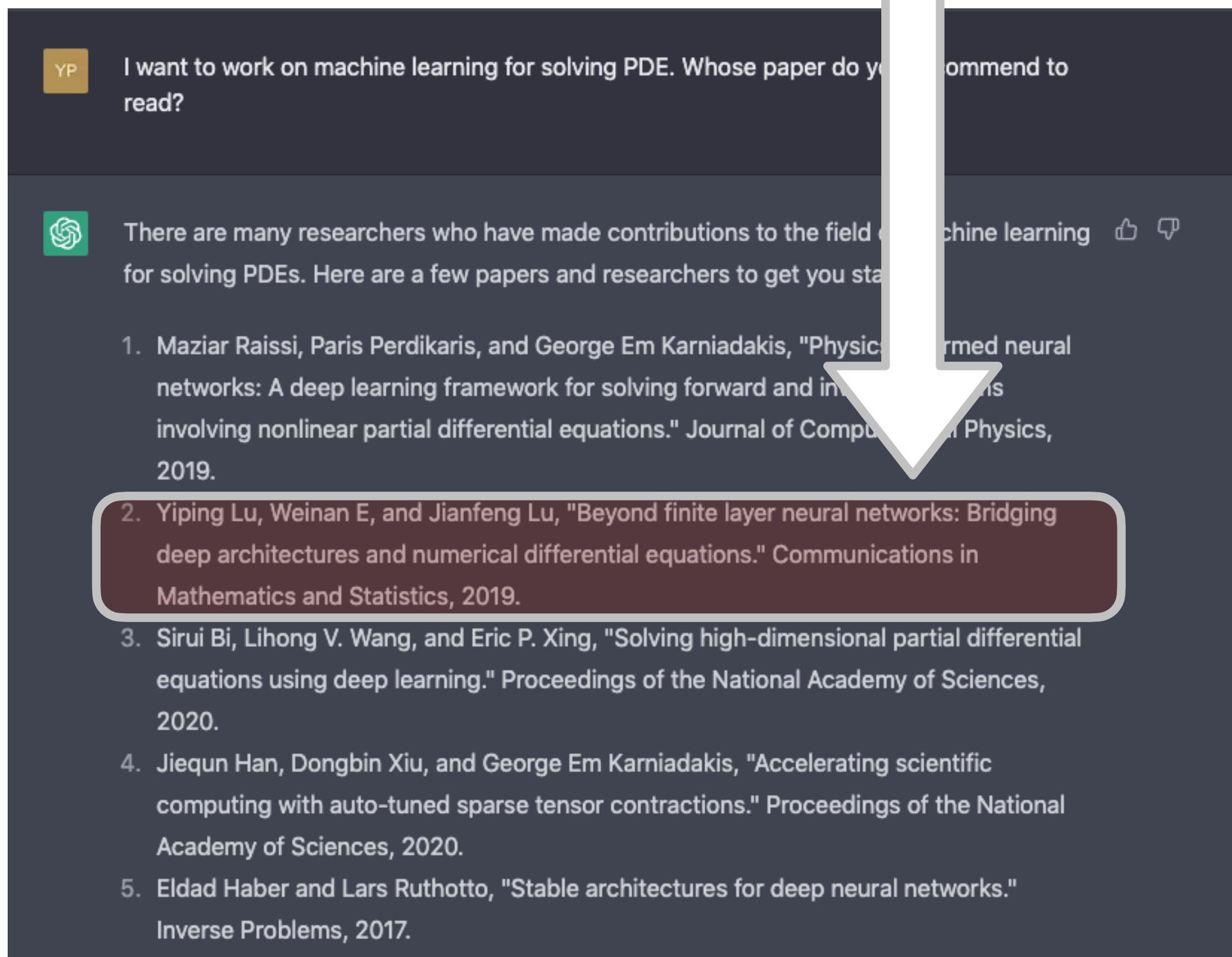
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YP I want to work on machine learning for solving PDE. Whose paper do you recommend to read?

There are many researchers who have made contributions to the field of machine learning for solving PDEs. Here are a few papers and researchers to get you started:

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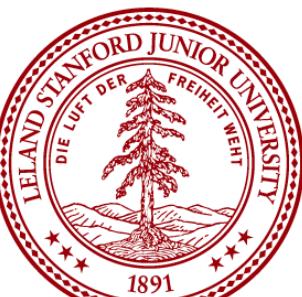
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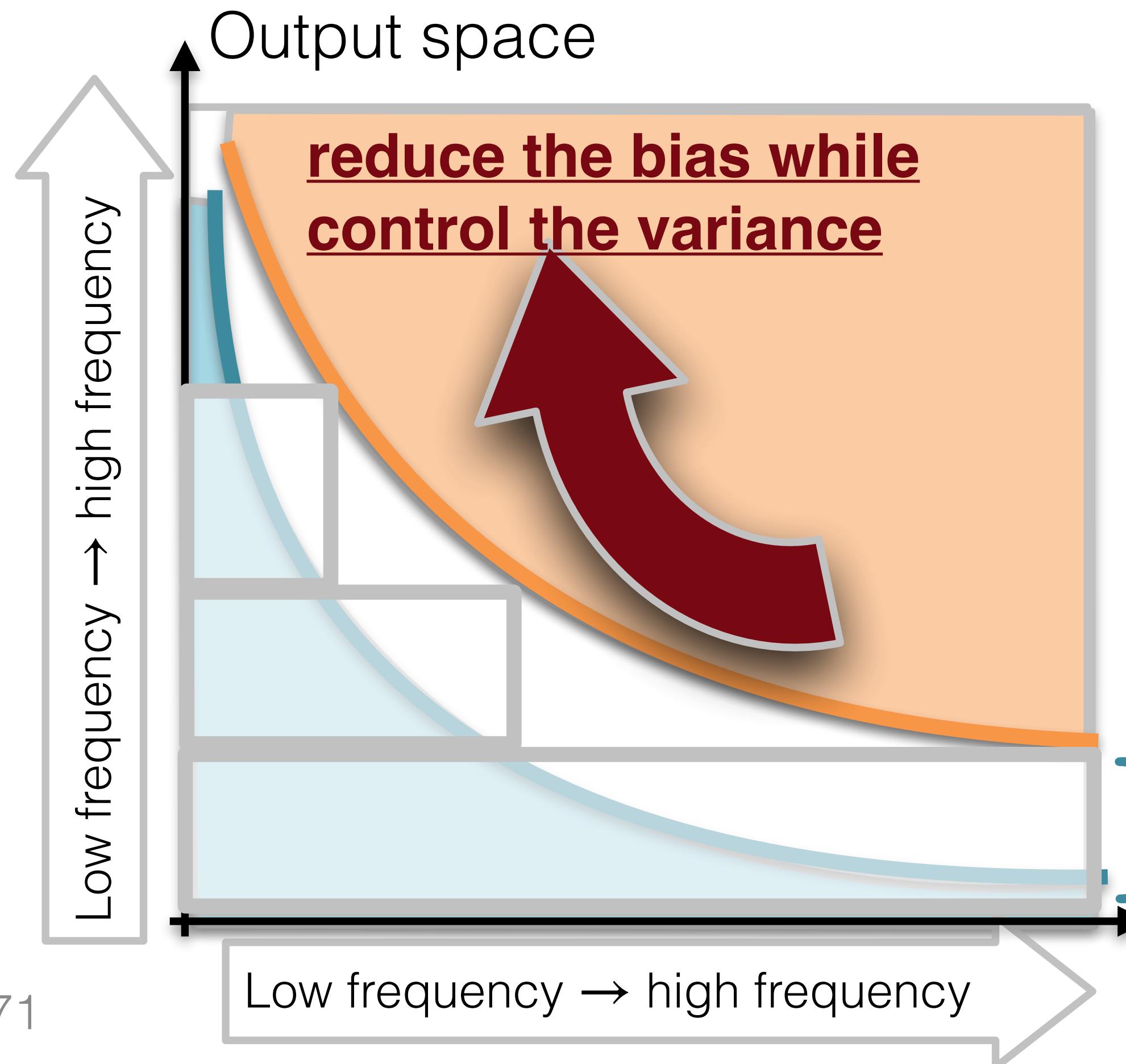
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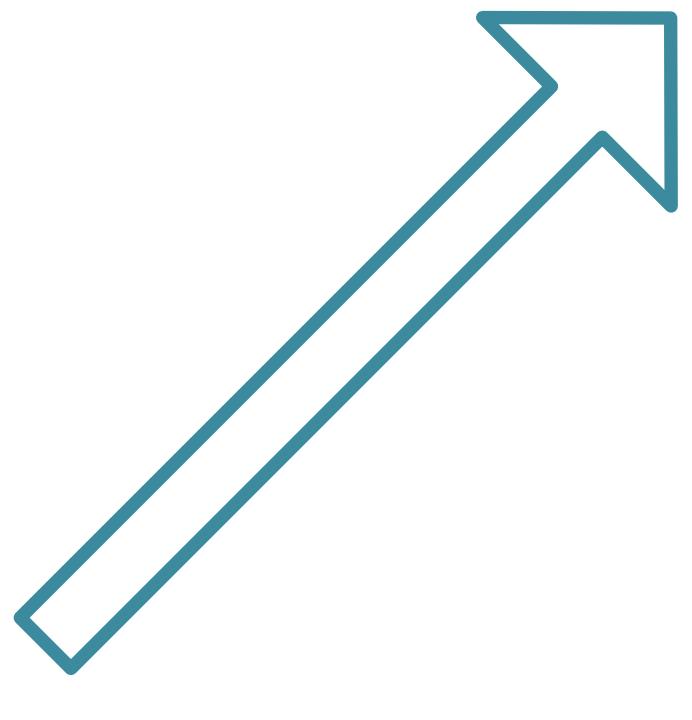
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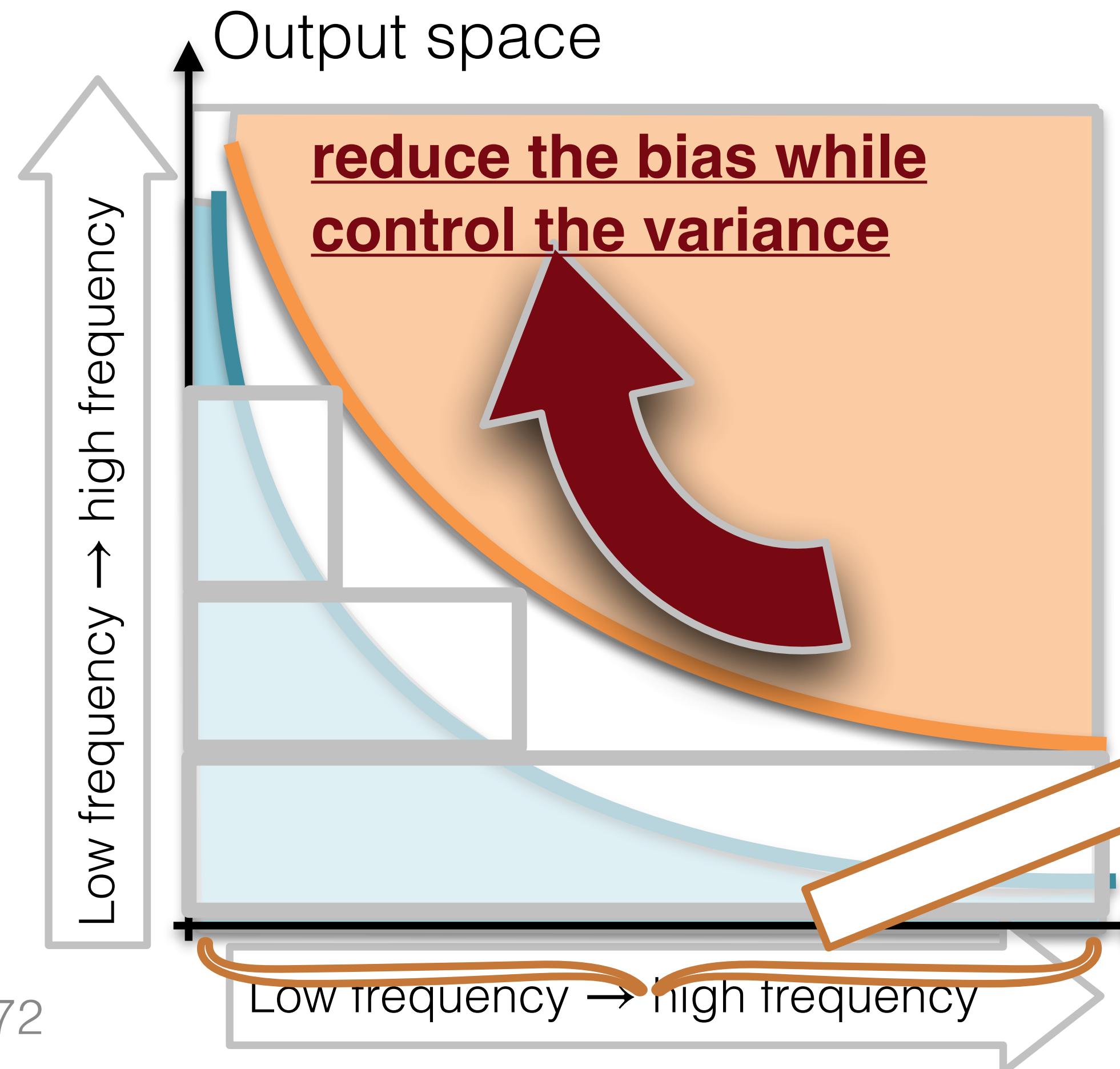
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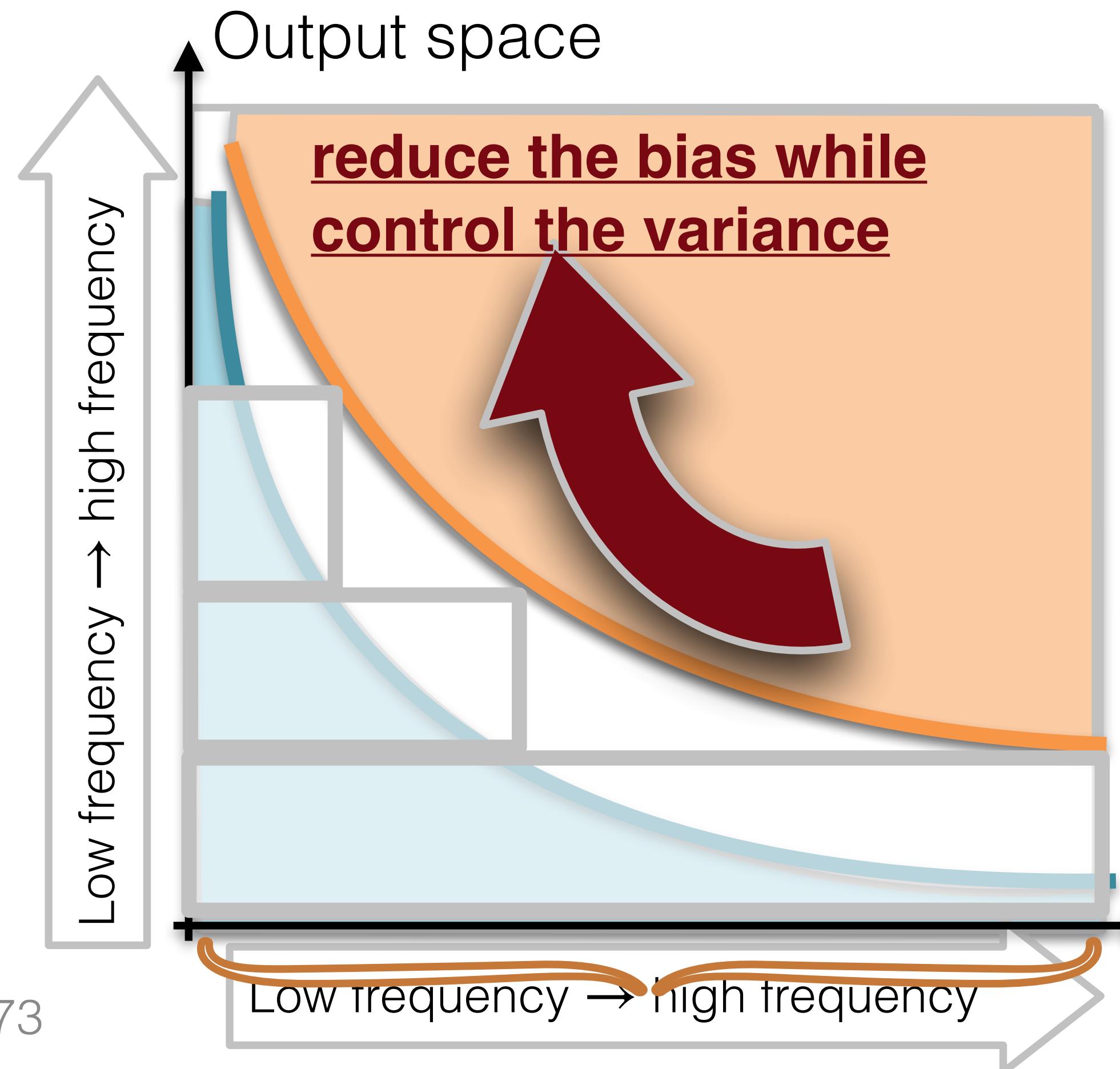


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Projection to certain basis in output space

Optimal Algorithm

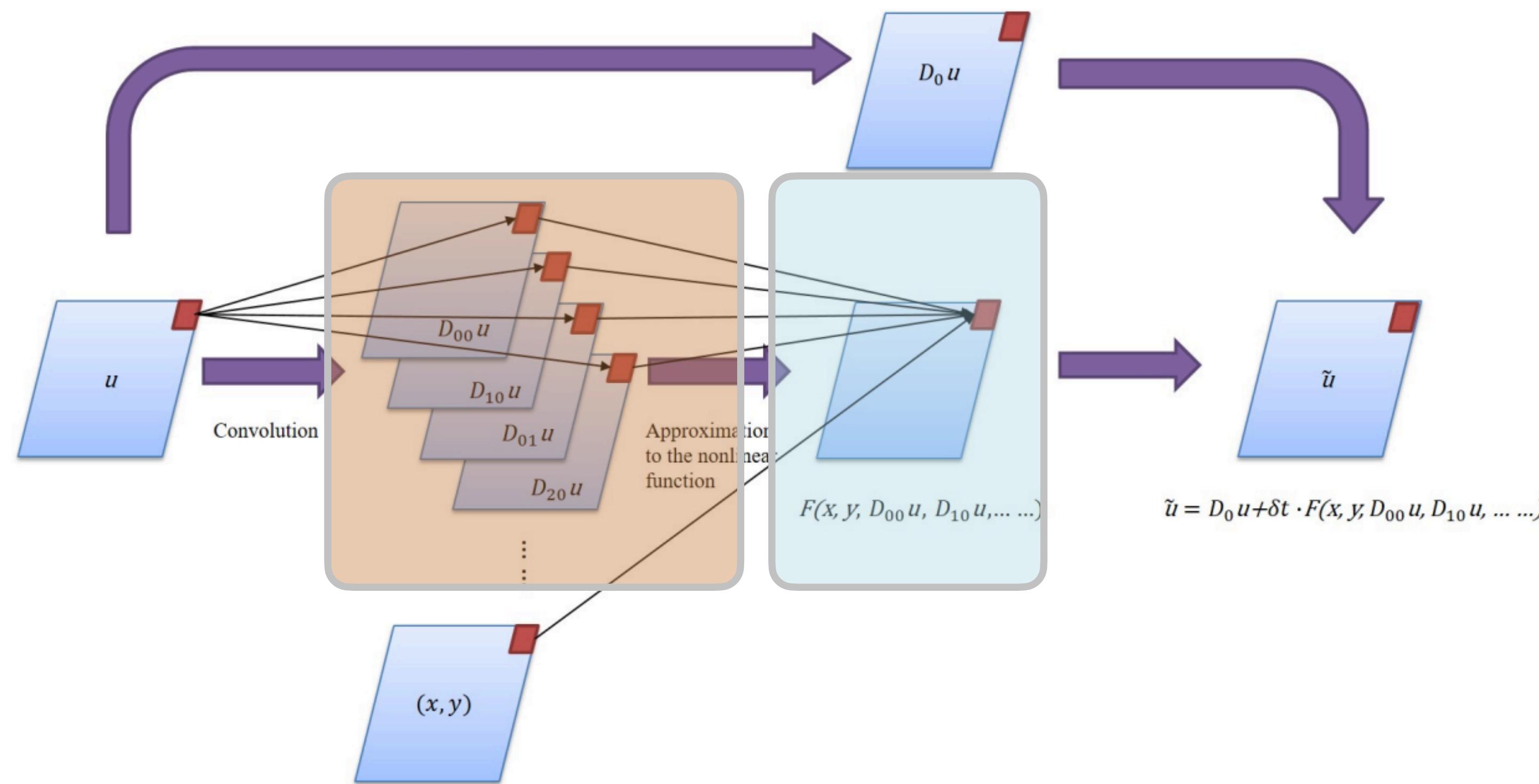
What is the OPTIMAL machine learning algorithm?



$$\hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{ml}} = \sum_{i=0}^{L_N} \left(\sum_{\gamma_{i-1} \leq j < \gamma_i} \rho_j^{\frac{1}{2}} f_j \otimes \rho_j^{\frac{1}{2}} f_j \right) \hat{\mathcal{C}}_{LK} \left(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{KK} + \lambda_i^{(K)} I \right)^{-1}.$$

Ensemble different levels

Algorithmic Literature Overview



$$\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = F(u, \nabla_x u, \nabla_x^2 u, \dots)$$

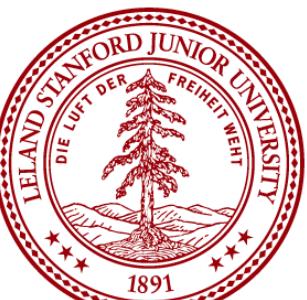
Convolutional kernel
“Finite-difference”
 $u_x = u * [-1, 1]$

Neural Network

Definition 2.1 (Order of Sum Rules). *For a filter q , we say q to have sum rules of order $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$, provided that*

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^2} k^\beta q[k] = 0 \quad (2)$$

for all $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$ with $|\beta| := \beta_1 + \beta_2 < |\alpha|$ and for all $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$ with $|\beta| = |\alpha|$ but $\beta \neq \alpha$. If (2) holds for



Open Problems: Nonlinear-Operator-Learning

Standard non-parametric rate: $n^{-\frac{2s}{d+2s}}$
“dimension”



$d = \infty$

the k -nearest-neighbour estimator (Kudraszow & Vieu, 2013). The development of functional nonparametric regression has been hindered by a theoretical barrier, which is formulated in Mas (2012) and linked to the small ball probability problem (Delaigle & Hall, 2010). Essentially, in a rather general setting, the minimax rate of nonparametric regression on a generic functional space is slower than any polynomial of the sample size, which differs markedly from the polynomial minimax rates for many functional parametric regression procedures, see, e.g., Hall & Keilegom (2007), and Yuan & Cai (2010) for functional linear regression. These endeavours in functional nonparametric regression do not exploit the intrinsic structure that is common in practice. For instance, Chen & Müller (2012) suggested that functional data often have a low-dimensional manifold structure which can be utilized for more efficient representation. In this article, we exploit the nonlinear low-dimensional structure for functional nonparametric regression.

Learnability of convolutional neural networks for infinite dimensional input via mixed and anisotropic smoothness



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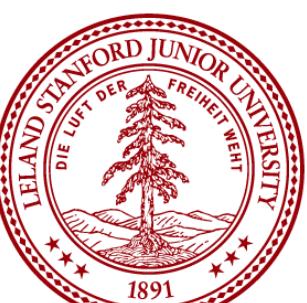
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A Non-Parametric Statistical Framework

$$\Delta u + u = f$$

Output

An estimation of u

“Learning with gradient information”

i.i.d samples

Input

Random samples $\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n$

Aim

The best estimator

$$\inf_H \max_{f \in H^\alpha} \mathbb{E}_{\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n} \|H(\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n) - u\|_{H^\beta}$$

Evaluation in Sobolev norm

Uniformly good on all Sobolev functions

Estimator

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Theorem (informal)

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Order of the PDE



Very similar to nonparametric rate $n^{-\frac{\alpha}{d + 2\alpha}}$

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Empirical process/fast rate generalization bound

Is PINN and DRM statistical optimal?

For $\beta = 2$

PINN



For $\beta = 1$

DRM



Artifact of analysis?
NN ansatz? Objective?

Is Deep Ritz Optimal? A Fourier View

$$Au = f$$

Solving $\Delta u + u = f$ from random samples $\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n$

Why not first learn f then learn u

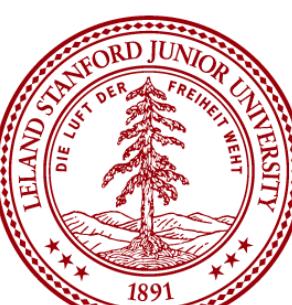
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Naive way to do this?



Naive Estimator is Optimal with proper selection of S



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How is naive estimator different from DRM?



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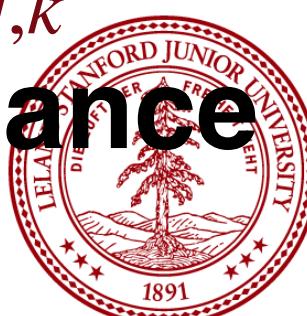
Naive

DRM

$$\hat{u}_z^F = (\hat{A})^{-1} \hat{f}_z^F$$

$$\hat{A} = \left(\sum_i \nabla \phi_j(x_i) \nabla \phi_k(x_i) \right)_{j,k} + \left(\sum_i \phi_j(x_i) \phi_k(x_i) \right)_{j,k}$$

Introduce further variance



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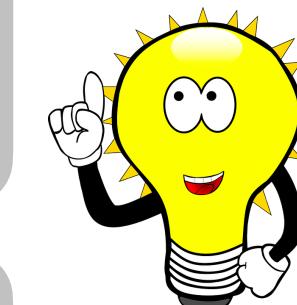
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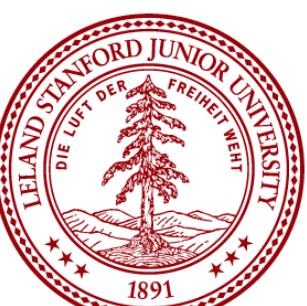
DRM discretized

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla$$

But not Δ



Integration by parts increase the monte-carlo variance.



Results in One Table...



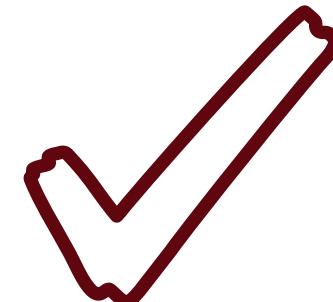
Boundary condition?

Objective Function	Upper Bounds		Lower Bound
	Neural Network	Fourier Basis	
Deep Ritz	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2} \log n}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$
Modified Deep Ritz	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2} \log n}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$
PINN	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4} \log n}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4}}$

Still open

For $\beta = 2$

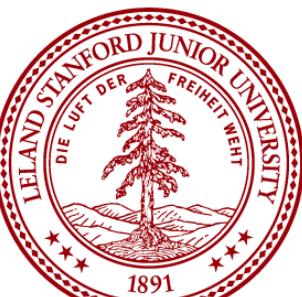
PINN



For $\beta = 1$

DRM

	DRM	Modified
Spectral NN	✗	✓
	✗	?



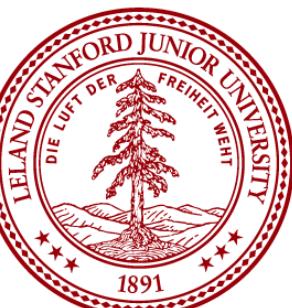
DRM or PINN



Which one optimizes faster?

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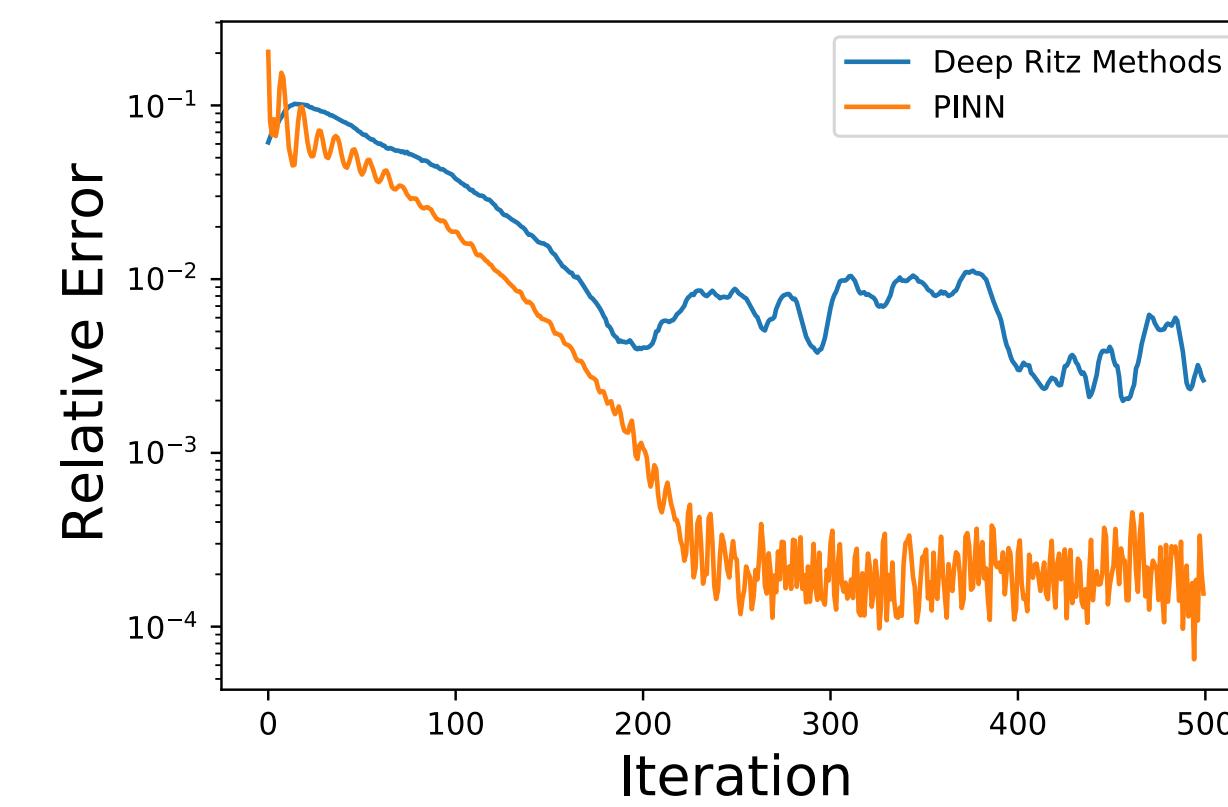
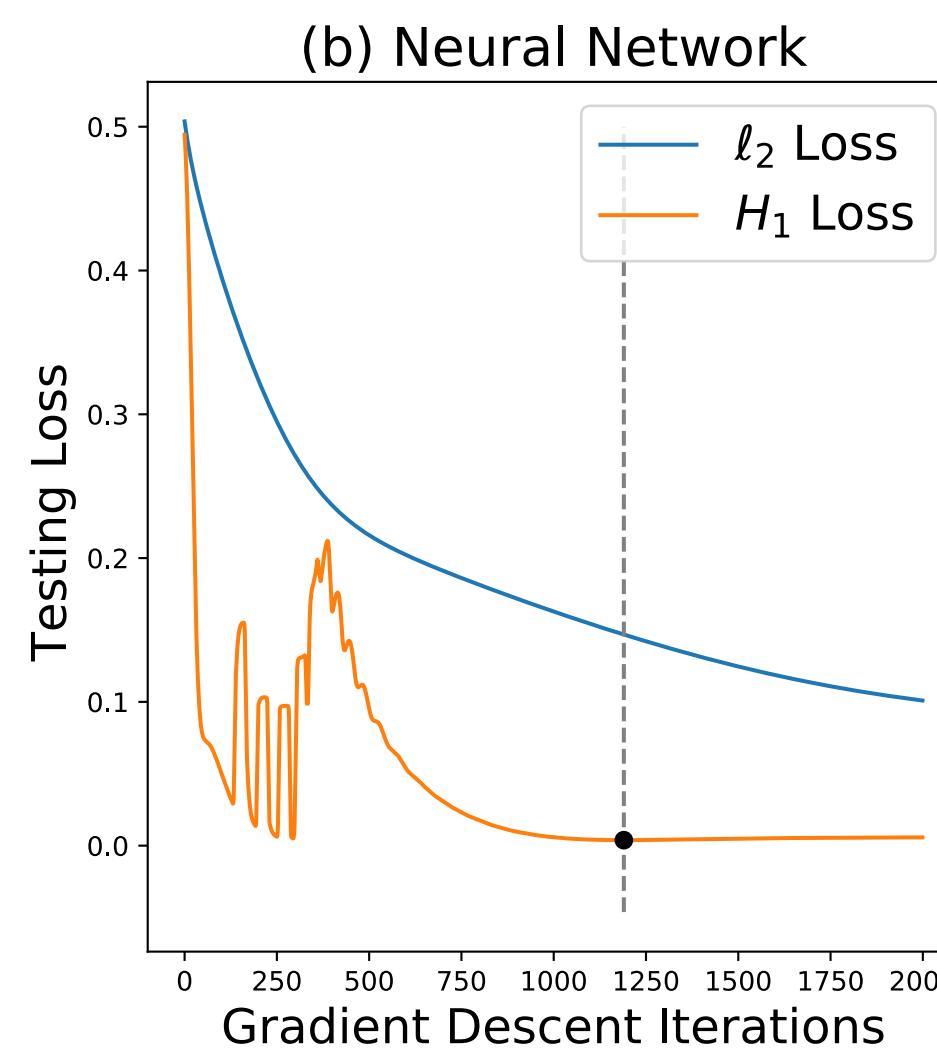
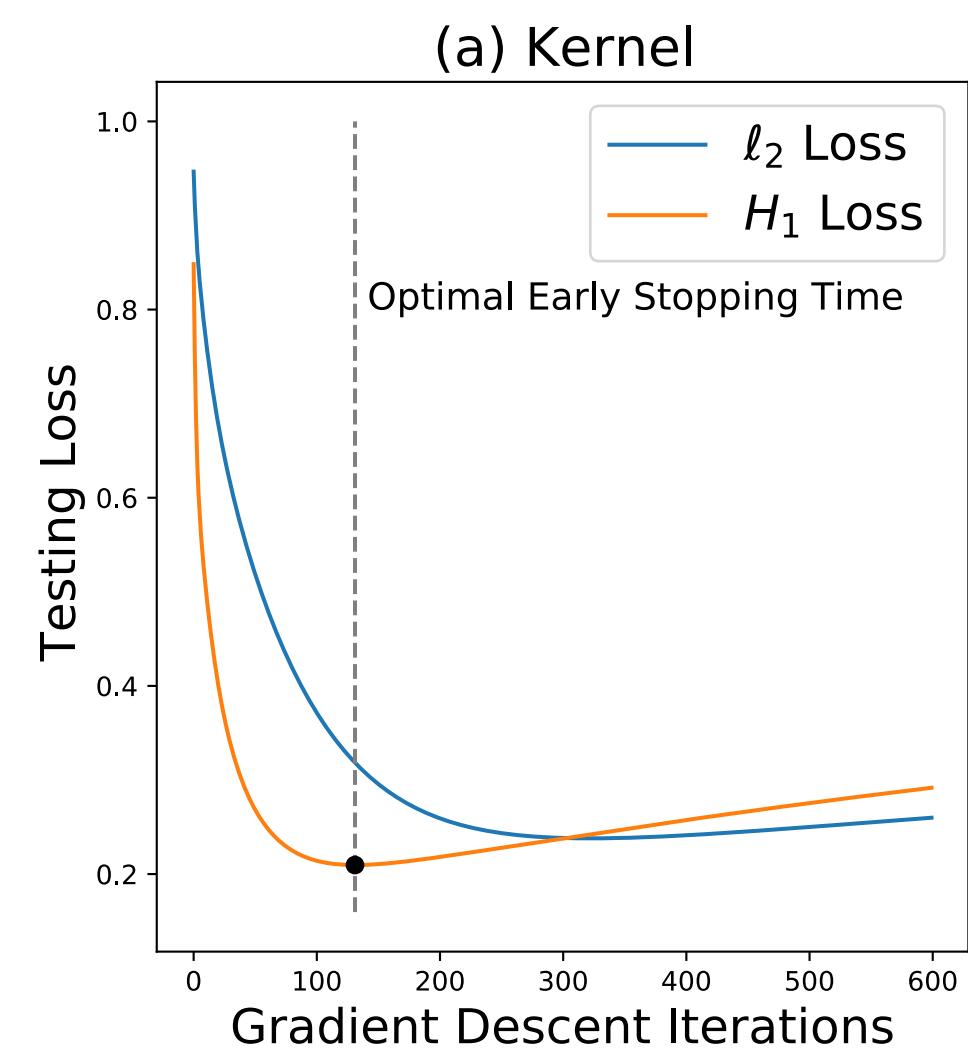
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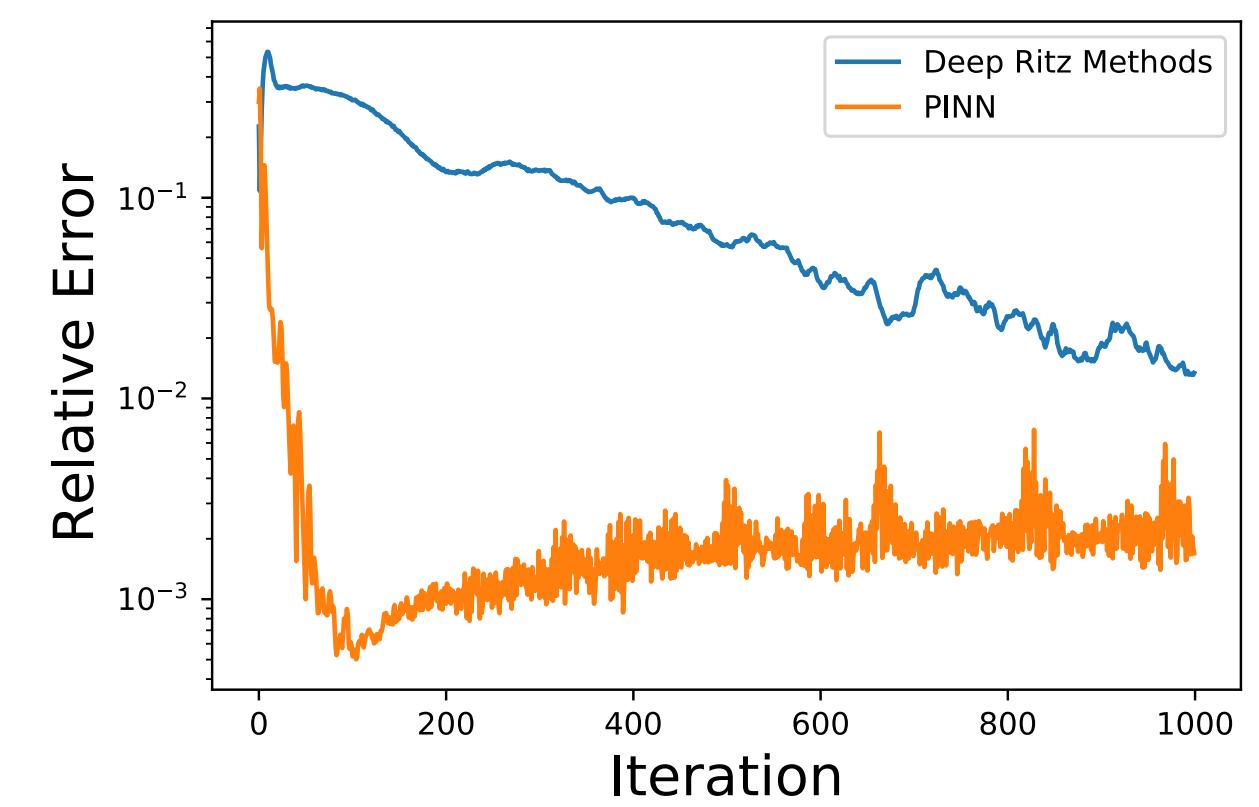


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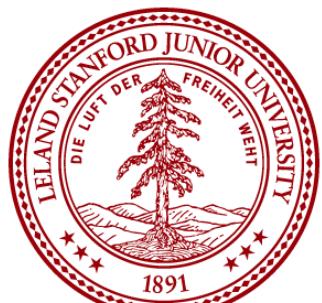
$$f = \sin(2\pi x)$$



$$f = \sin(4\pi x)$$

Sobolev Training

Solving $\Delta u = f$



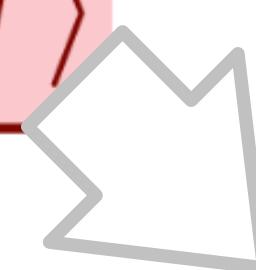
A Kernelized Model



**Machine learning is a kernelized dynamic.
Differential Operator can cancel Kernel Integral Op**

Let's consider $\Delta u = f$ via minimizing

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle f, \mathcal{A}_1 f \rangle - \langle u, \mathcal{A}_2 f \rangle$$



$$f = \langle \theta, K_x \rangle$$

- Deep Ritz Methods. $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Delta, \mathcal{A}_2 = Id$
- PINN. $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Delta^2, \mathcal{A}_2 = \Delta$

Gradient Descent

$$d\theta_t = \sum \left\langle \theta, \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_1}_{\text{Differential operator}} K_{x_i; i} \right\rangle K_{x_i} - f_i \mathcal{A}_2 K_{x_i}$$

Differential operator Kernel integral operator



Our Result

I understand your idea,
but what's your thm?

Theorem (Informal)



1. The information theoretical lower bound in the kernel space matches the lower bound for learning PDE.
2. Gradient Descent with proper early stopping time selection can achieve optimal statistical rate
3. The proper early stopping time is smaller for PINN than DRM

