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*Lecture 4: Non-Euclidean Geometric Stability,
Graph Neural Networks.*

LECTURE 4 OVERVIEW

- Joint Scattering for Roto-translation groups
- Convolutional Neural Networks
 - Some (random) properties
- Non-Euclidean Geometric Stability
- Graph Neural Networks
- Some (random) applications

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- So we can replace convolutions over translation by convolutions over roto-translations.

GROUP CONVOLUTIONS



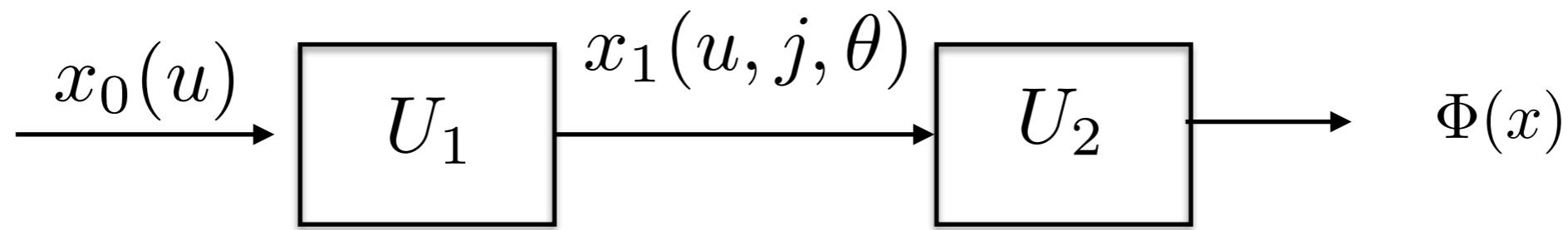
Definition: Let G be a group equipped with a Haar measure $d\mu$, acting on Ω , and $h \in L^1(G)$. The group convolution $x \star_G h$ is defined as

$$x \star_G h(u) = \int_G h(g)x(\varphi_g u)d\mu(g) , \quad x \in L^2(\Omega) .$$

If $x = x_1(u, j, \theta)$ and G are roto-translations, these convolutions recombine different orientation channels.

JOINT SCATTERING

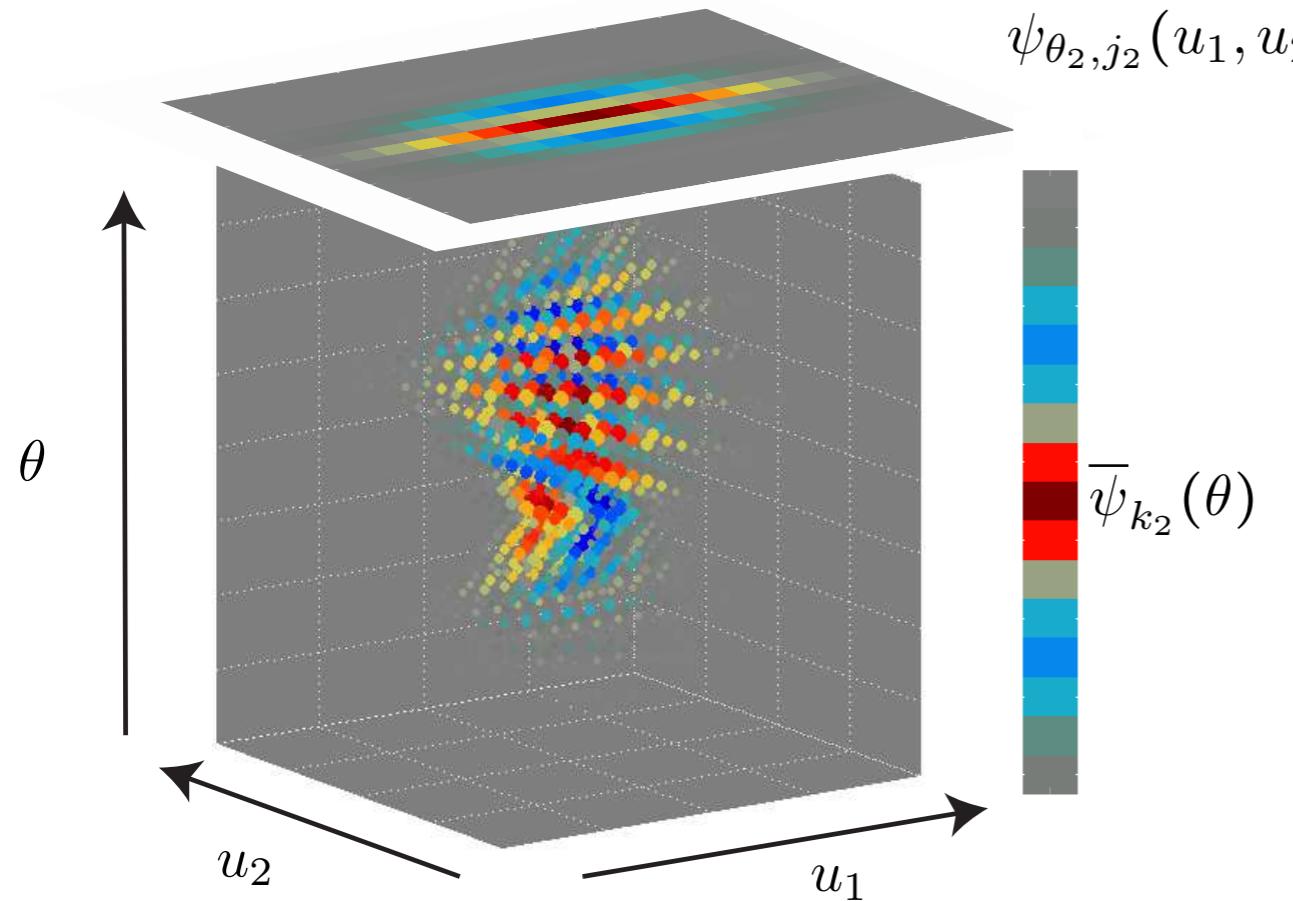
- We start by *lifting* the image with spatial wavelet convolutions: stable and covariant to roto-translations.



- We then adapt the second wavelet operator to its joint variability structure.
- More discriminability.
- Requires defining wavelets on more complicated domains:
 $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^2$.

EXAMPLE: ROTO-TRANSLATION SCATTERING

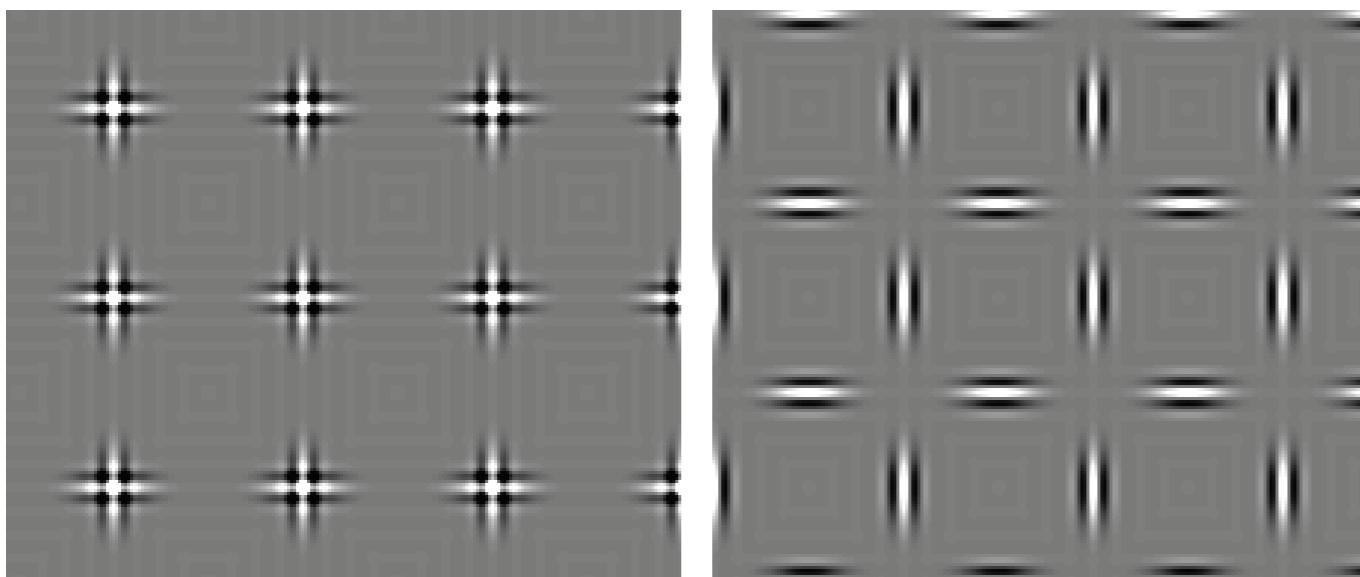
- [Sifre and Mallat'13]



$$\psi_{\theta_2, j_2}(u_1, u_2)$$

second layer wavelets constructed by a separable product on spatial and rotational wavelets:

$$\Psi_\lambda(u, \theta) = \psi_{\lambda_1}(u)\psi_{\lambda_2}(\theta)$$



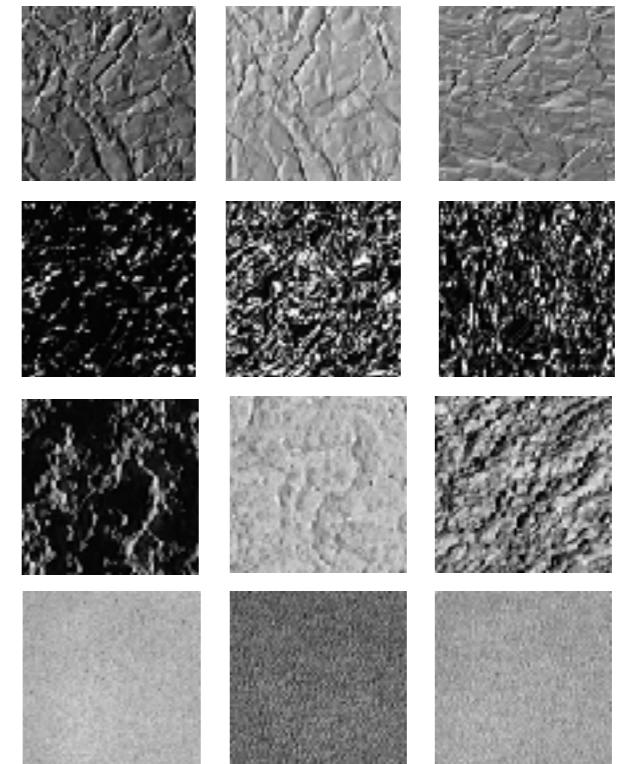
example of patterns that are discriminated by joint scattering but not with separable scattering.

CLASSIFICATION WITH SCATTERING

- State-of-the art on pattern and texture recognition using separable scattering followed by SVM:

- MNIST, USPS [Pami'13]

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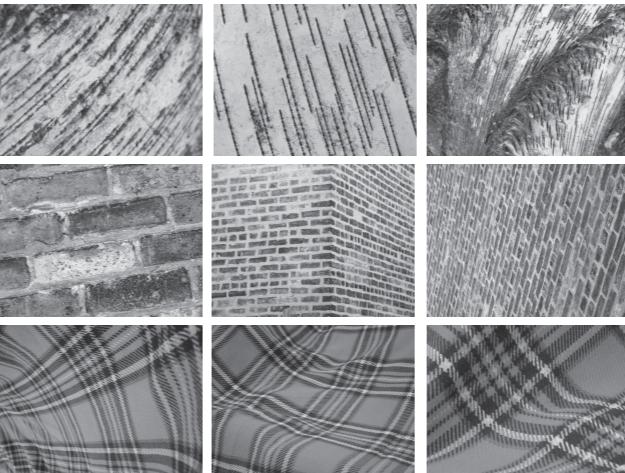


- Texture (CUREt) [Pami'13]

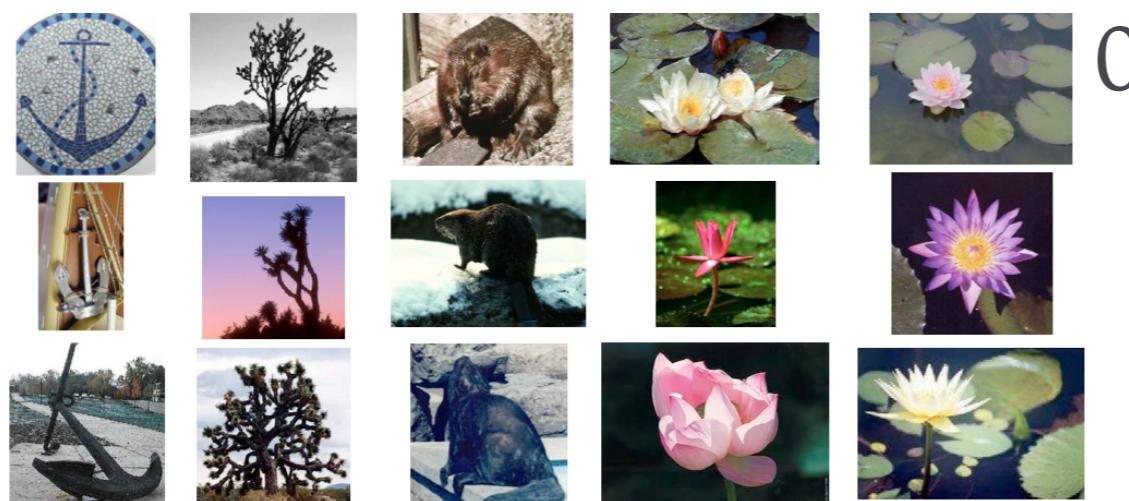
- Music Genre Classification (GTZAN) [IEEE Acoustic '13]

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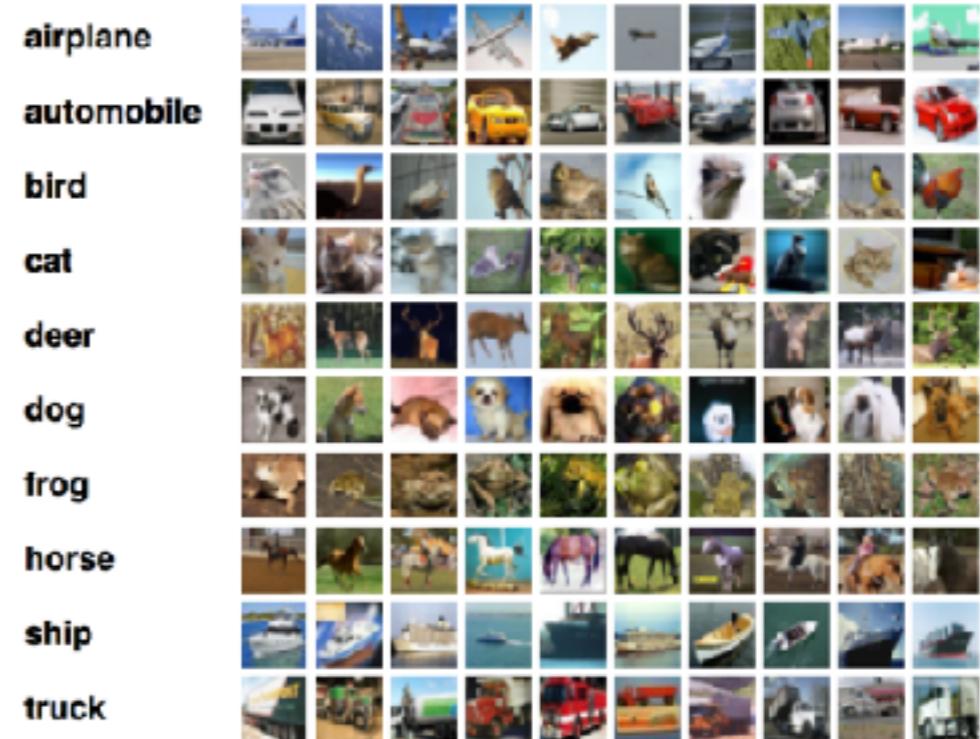
- Joint Scattering Improves Performance:
 - More complicated Texture (KTH,UIUC,UMD)
[Sifre&Mallat, CVPR'13]



- Small-mid scale Object Recognition (Caltech, CIFAR)
[Oyallon&Mallat, CVPR'15]



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LIMITATIONS OF JOINT SCATTERING

- Variability from physical world expressed in the language of transformation groups and deformations
 - However, there are not many possible groups: essentially the affine group and its subgroups.
- As a new wavelet layer is introduced, we create new coordinates, but we do not destroy existing coordinates
 - Hard to scale: dimensionality reduction is needed.
 - Wavelet design complicated beyond roto-translation groups.
- Beyond physics, many deformations are class-specific and not small.
 - Learning filters from data rather than designing them.

FROM SCATTERING TO CNNS

- Given $x(u, \lambda)$ and a group G acting on both u and λ , we defined wavelet convolutions over G as

$$x \star_G \psi_{\lambda'}(u, \lambda) = \int_v \int_\alpha \psi_\lambda(R_{-\alpha}(u - v)) x(v, \alpha) dv d\alpha$$

- In discrete coordinates,

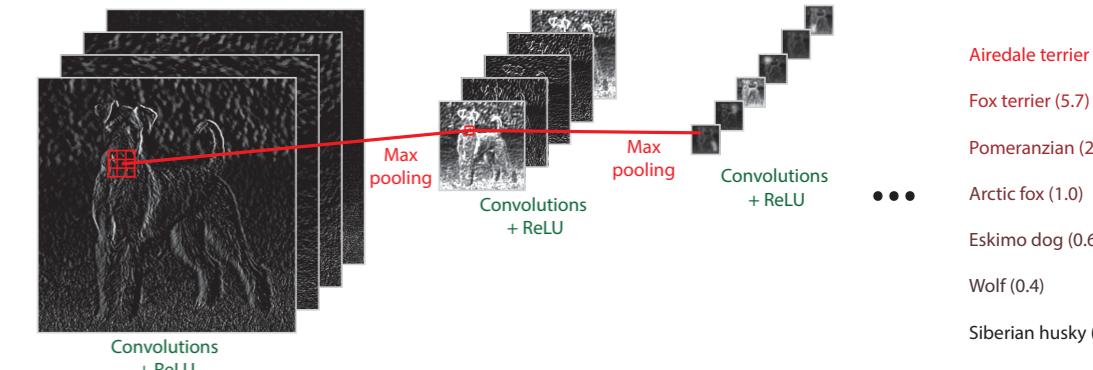
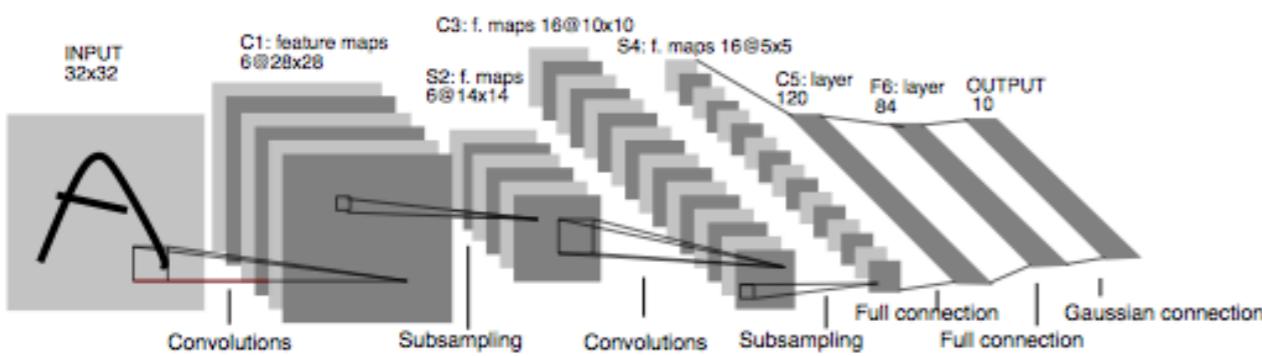
$$x \star_G \psi_{\lambda'}(u, \lambda) = \sum_v \sum_\alpha \bar{\psi}_{\lambda'}(u - v, \alpha, \lambda) x(v, \alpha)$$

- Which in general is a convolutional tensor.

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS

[LeCun, 80s,90s]

- Stack multiple layers of **localized convolutional operators** and point-wise contractive non-linearities:



Input: $x \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^p)$.

$$\tilde{x}_{\tilde{j}}(u) = \rho \left(\sum_{j=1}^p x_j \star \theta_{j,\tilde{j}}(u) \right), \quad \tilde{j} \leq \tilde{p}.$$

Output: $\tilde{x} \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{p}})$.

$\rho(z)$: point-wise nonlinearity
(e.g. $\max(0, z)$).

$\Theta = (\theta_{j,\tilde{j}})$: localized convolutional kernel.

- Down-sampling via *pooling* (can be either linear with average, or nonlinear with max) in invariant tasks:

$$\bar{x}_{\tilde{j}}(\bar{u}) = \|\tilde{x}_{\tilde{j}}(\mathcal{N}(u))\|$$

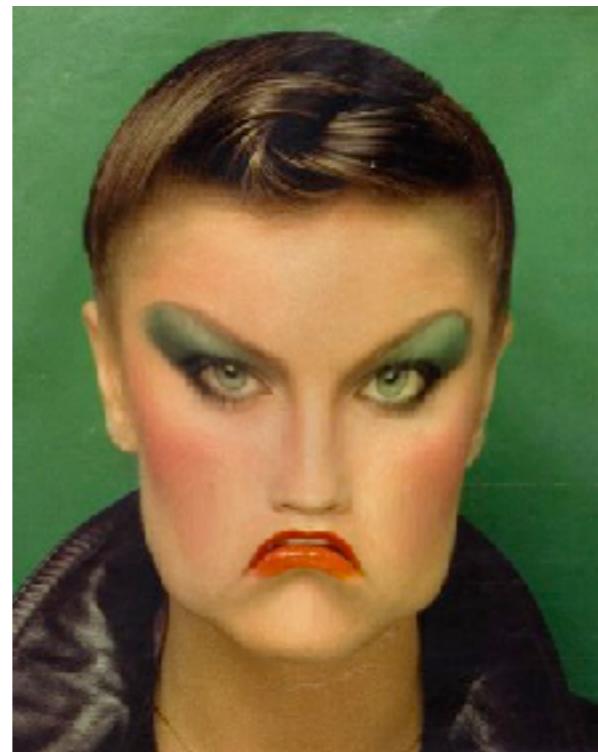
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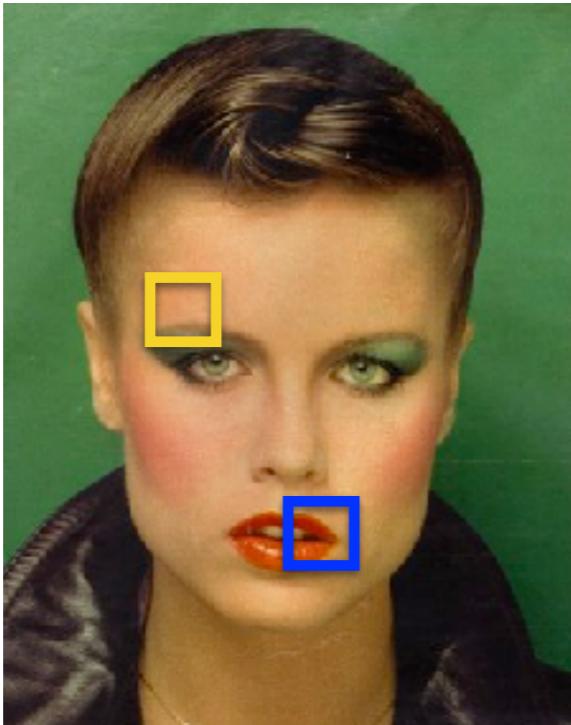
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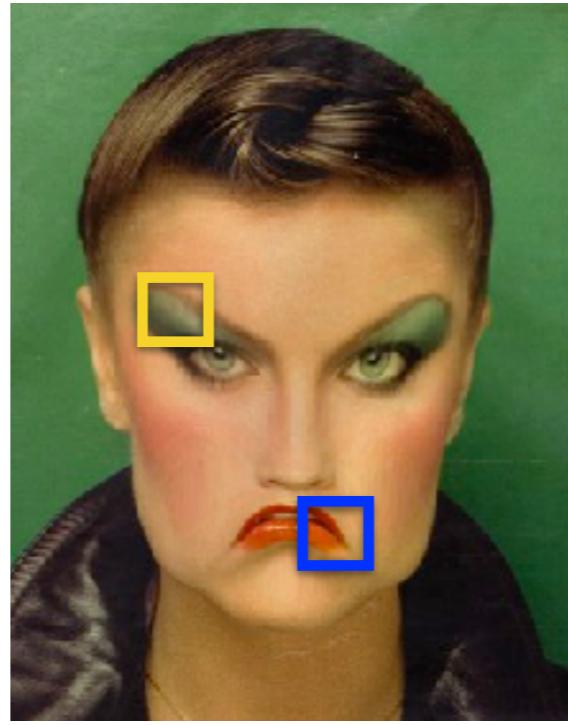
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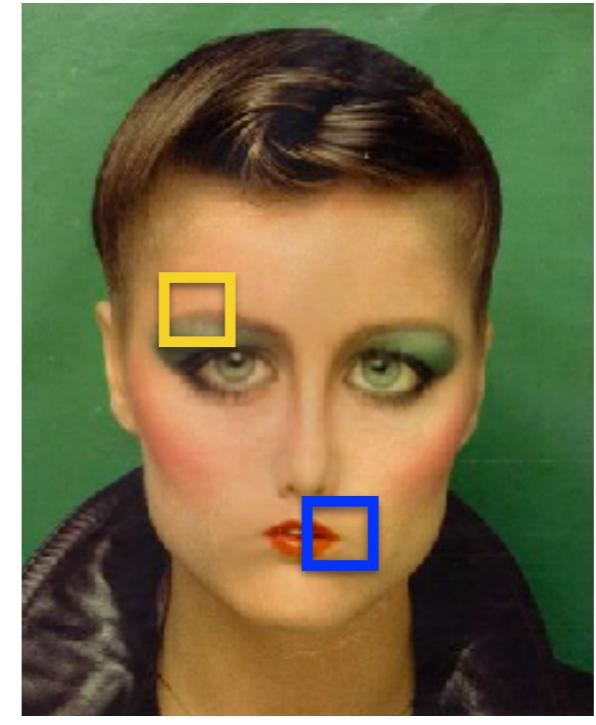
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- A non-rigid deformation locally looks like a translation if $\|\nabla \tau\|$ small:

$$\Rightarrow x_\tau \star \theta(u) \approx [x \star \theta]_\tau(u)$$

- A point-wise nonlinearity commutes with deformations:

$$\Rightarrow \rho(x_\tau \star \theta(u)) \approx \rho([x \star \theta]_\tau(u)) = [\rho(x \star \theta)]_\tau(u)$$

- Pooling progressively creates invariance to geometric deformations:

$$\|x_\tau(\mathcal{N}(u))\| \approx \|x(\mathcal{N}(u))\| \text{ if } |\tau| \text{ small}$$

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS



- **Convolutions** to exploit translation invariance/equivariance.
- **Localized** to exploit geometric stability: leads to multi scale architecture.
- These two properties lead to models with $O(\log N)$ trainable parameters.
- Stability is only part of the story. Discriminability via learning/optimization is another major component for success.

INVARIANCE, LINEARIZATION AND GEODESICS

- We related stability with the ability to linearize deformations:

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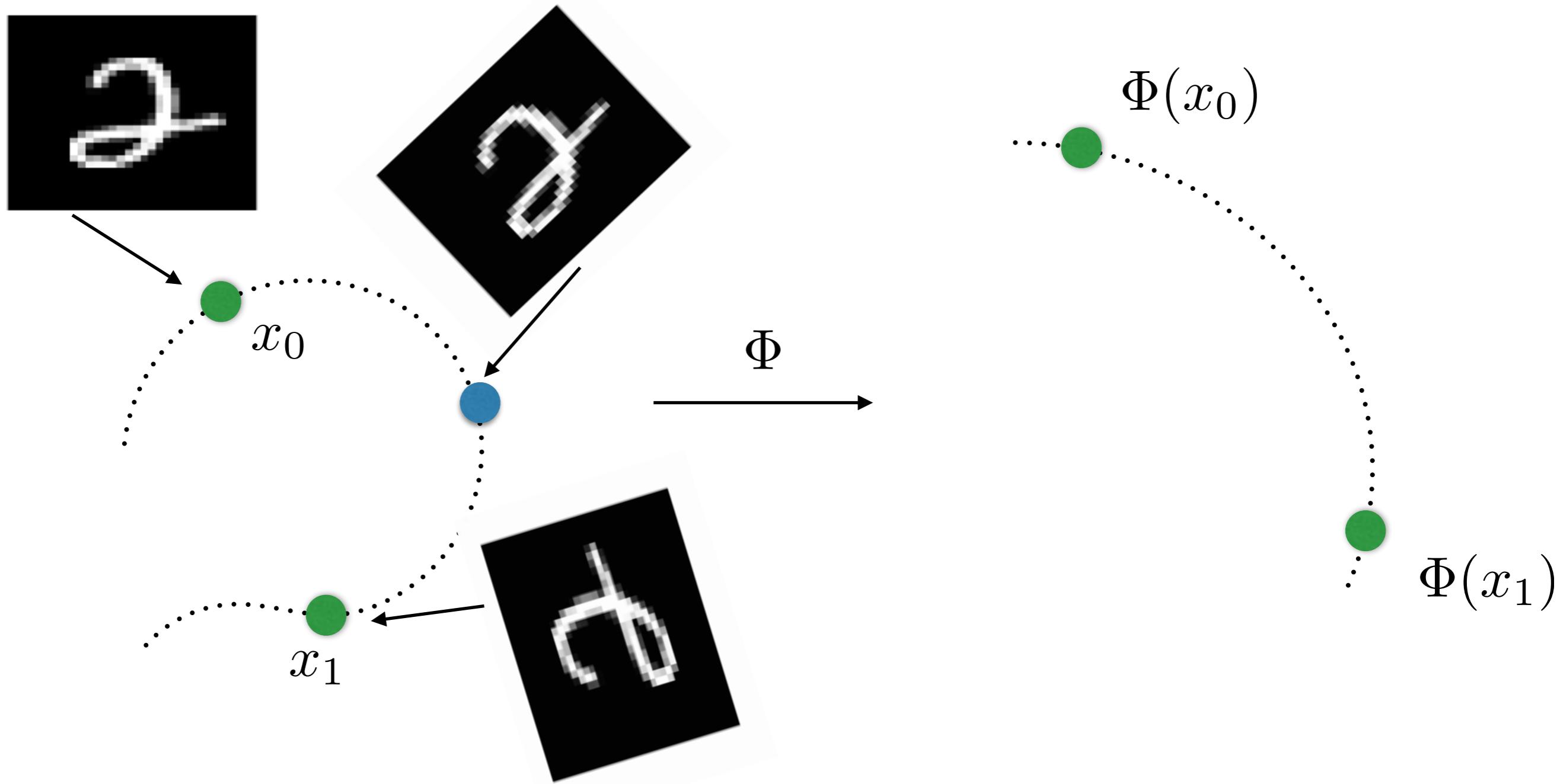
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- One can test this property over learnt representations by inspecting geodesics.
 - They become linear paths in feature space under the metric
$$d(x, x') = \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(x')\|$$
- [Bengio et al. '11], [Goroshin et al'15], [Henaff et al '16]

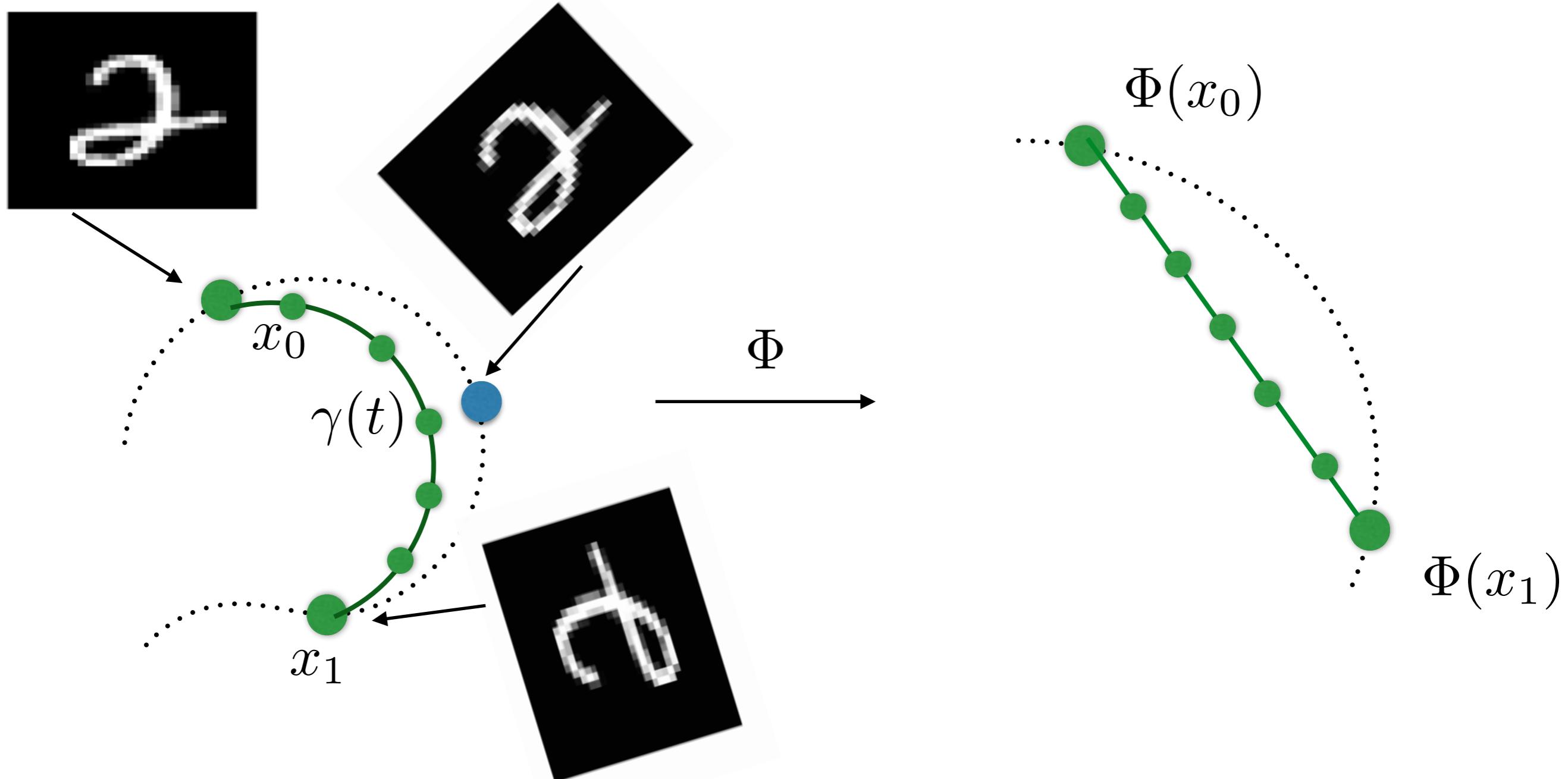
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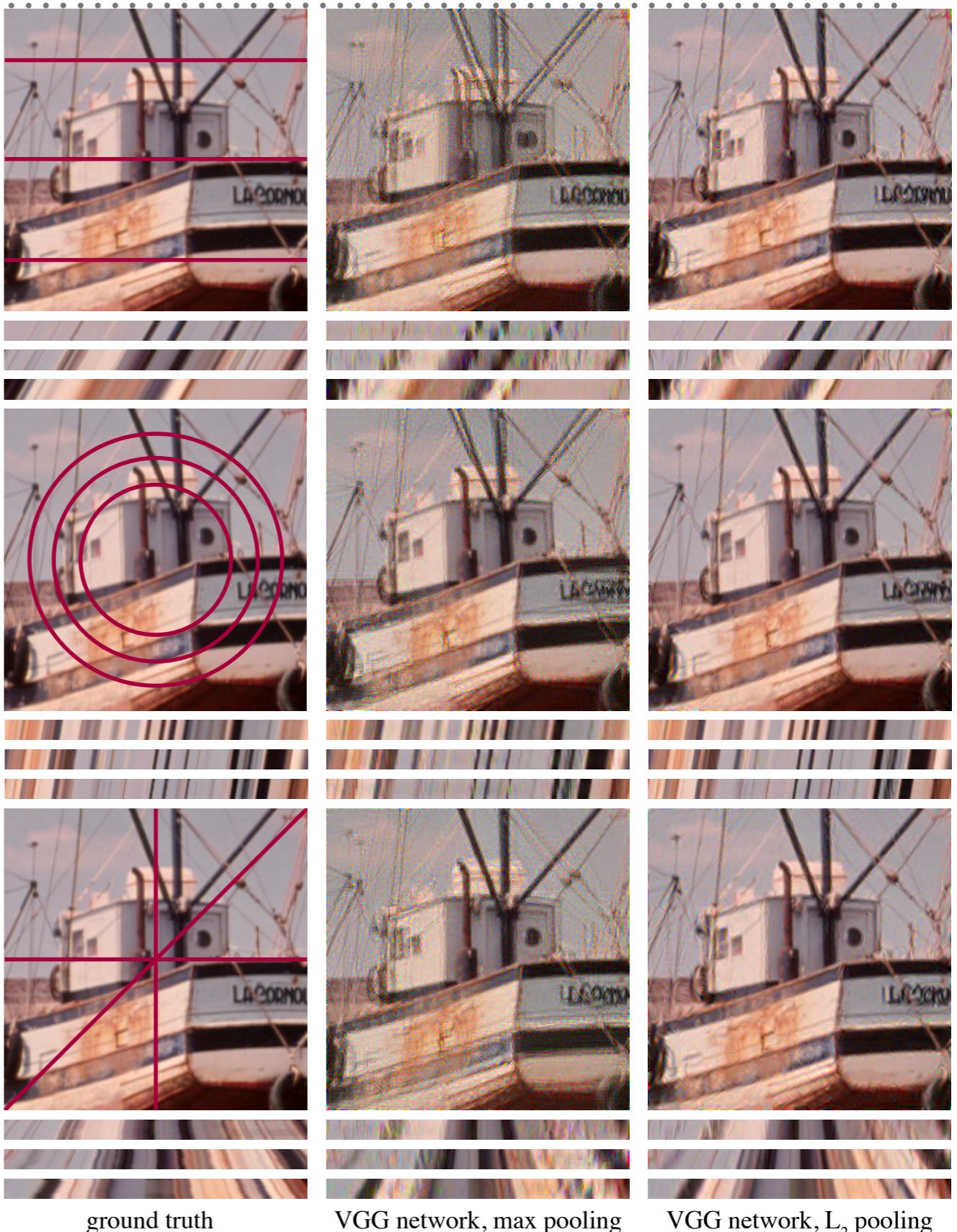
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$$\min_{\gamma(0)=x_0, \gamma(1)=x_1} \int_0^1 |\dot{\gamma}(t)| dt + \int_0^1 |(\dot{\Phi}\gamma)(t)| dt$$

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- On pertained CNNs (VGG oxford net), linearization is empirically verified for various groups.
- Continuous transformation groups are better linearized with energy pooling than with max-pooling



[Henaff and Simoncelli'16]

REDUNDANCY IN CNNS

$$\Phi(x) = \rho(\dots \rho(x * \Psi_1) * \dots * \Psi_k))$$

- Large-scale networks contain > 10 layers and $> 10^6$ parameters.
- Q: Is there a smaller parametric model that contains good representations?

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- “Pre-training” model compression:
 - Train directly in the compressed domain ([“Predicting parameters in Deep Learning”, Denil et al,’13]).
 - Mild regularization effect. *Interplay between statistical performance and optimization performance.*

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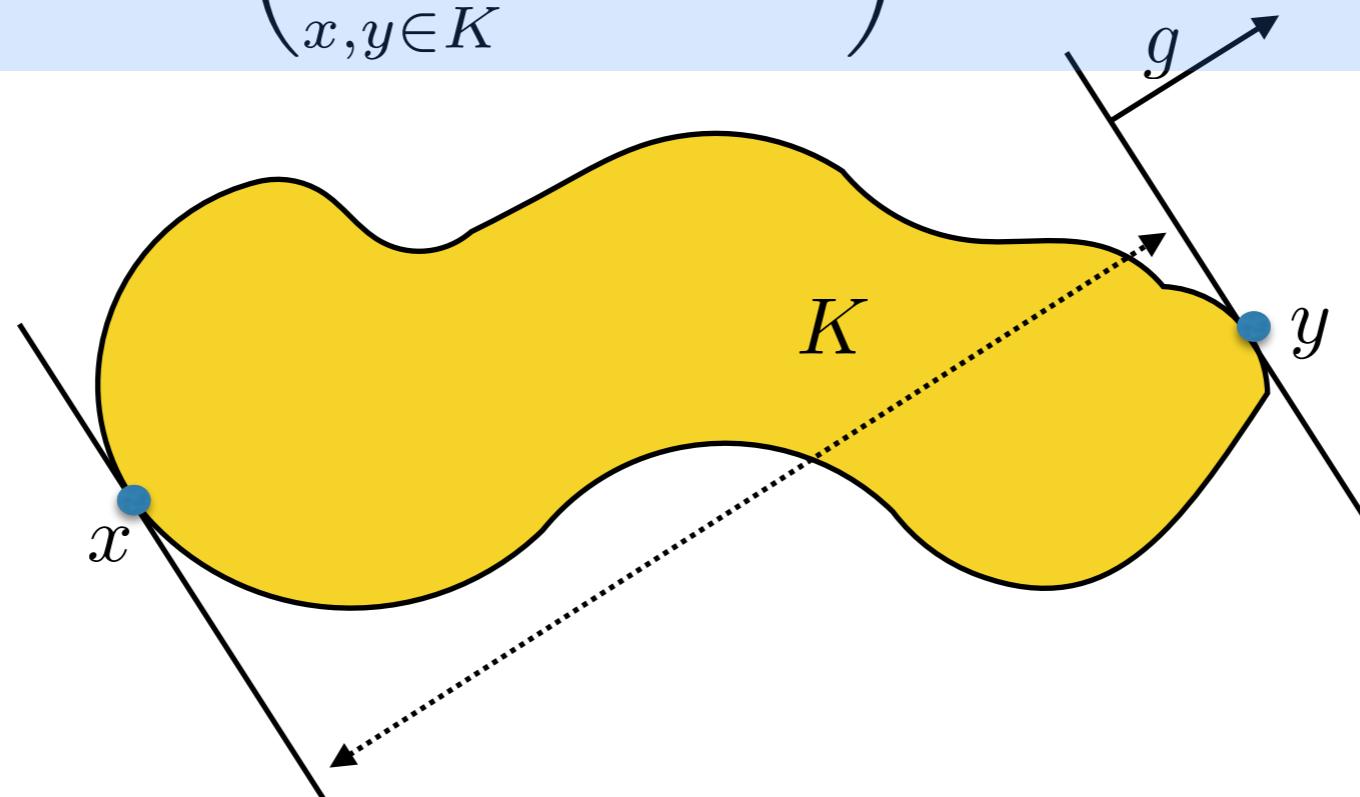
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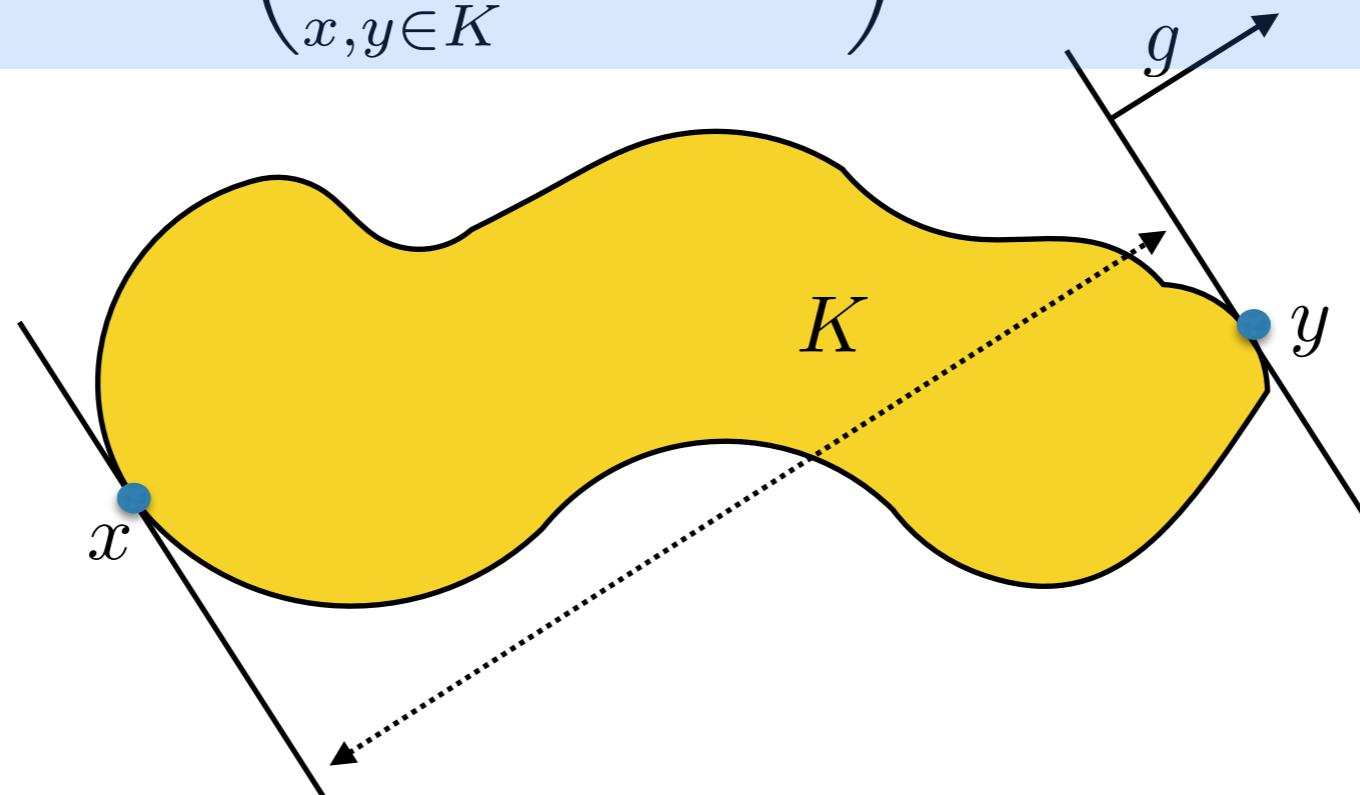
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- Proxy for the dimensionality of a set.

K : mixture of L gaussians of dimension k : $\omega(K) = O(\sqrt{k + \log L})$.

K : k -sparse signals in a dictionary of size L : $\omega(K) = O(\sqrt{k \log(L/k)})$.

INVERTIBILITY: NO TRAINING AND NO STRUCTURE

Theorem [GSB'15]: Let $\rho(\cdot)$ be the ReLU and $K \subset \mathbb{B}_1^n$ the dataset. If $\sqrt{m}W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is a random matrix with iid normally distributed entries and $m \geq C\delta^{-4}\omega(K)^4$ then with high probability

$$|\|\rho(Wx) - \rho(Wy)\|^2 - (0.5\|x - y\|^2 + \|x\|\|y\|\beta(x, y))| \leq \delta.$$

Moreover, if K is sufficiently away from 0, there exists $C > 0$ such that whp

$$|\cos \angle(\rho(Wx), \rho(Wy)) - \cos(\angle(x, y)) - \beta(x, y)| \leq C\delta.$$

$$\angle(x, y) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{x^T y}{\|x\| \|y\|} \right) \text{ angle between } x \text{ and } y$$

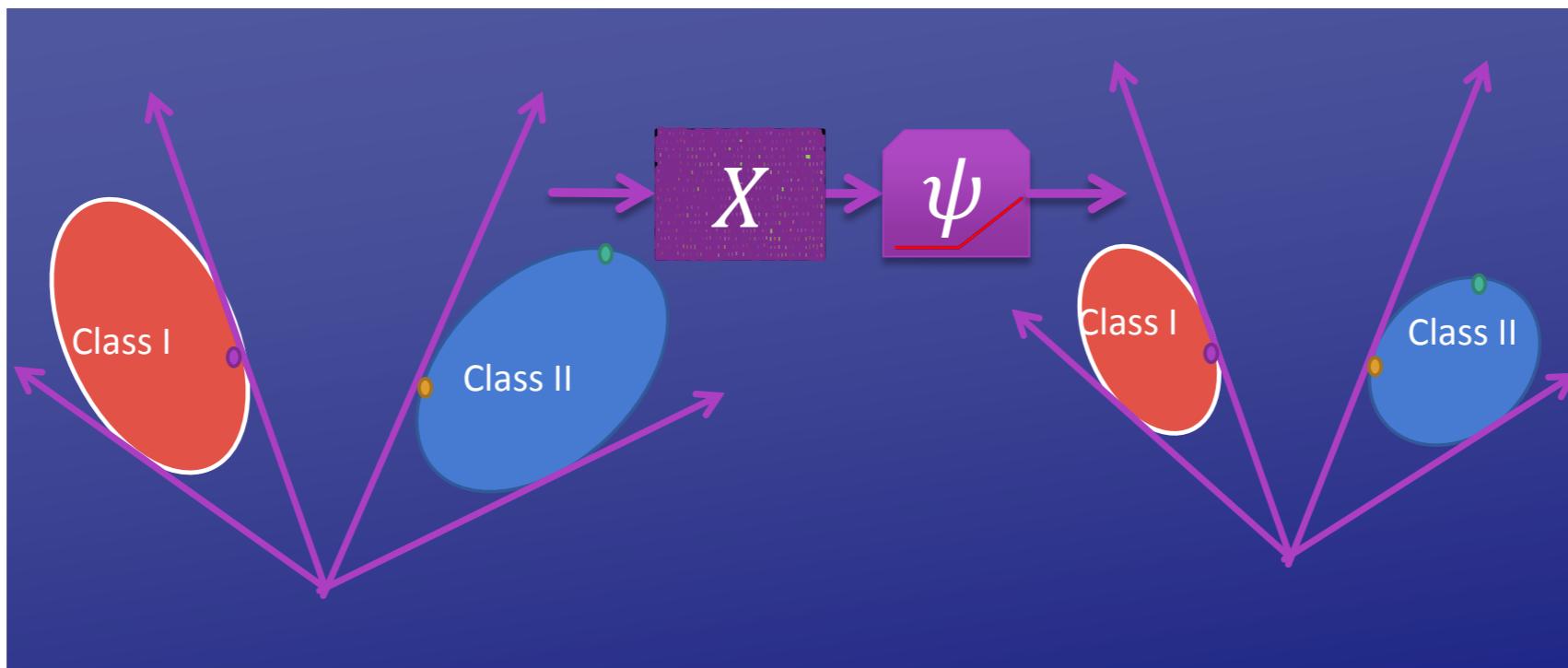
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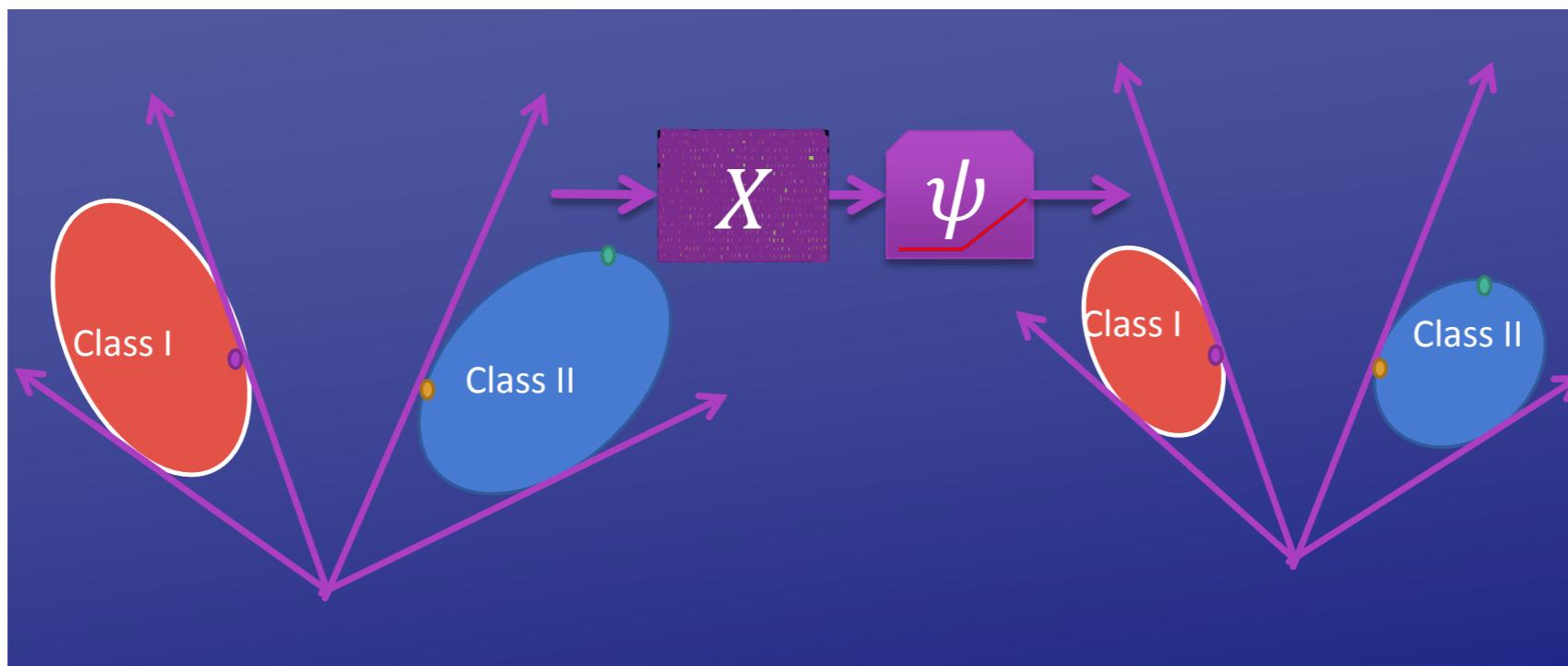
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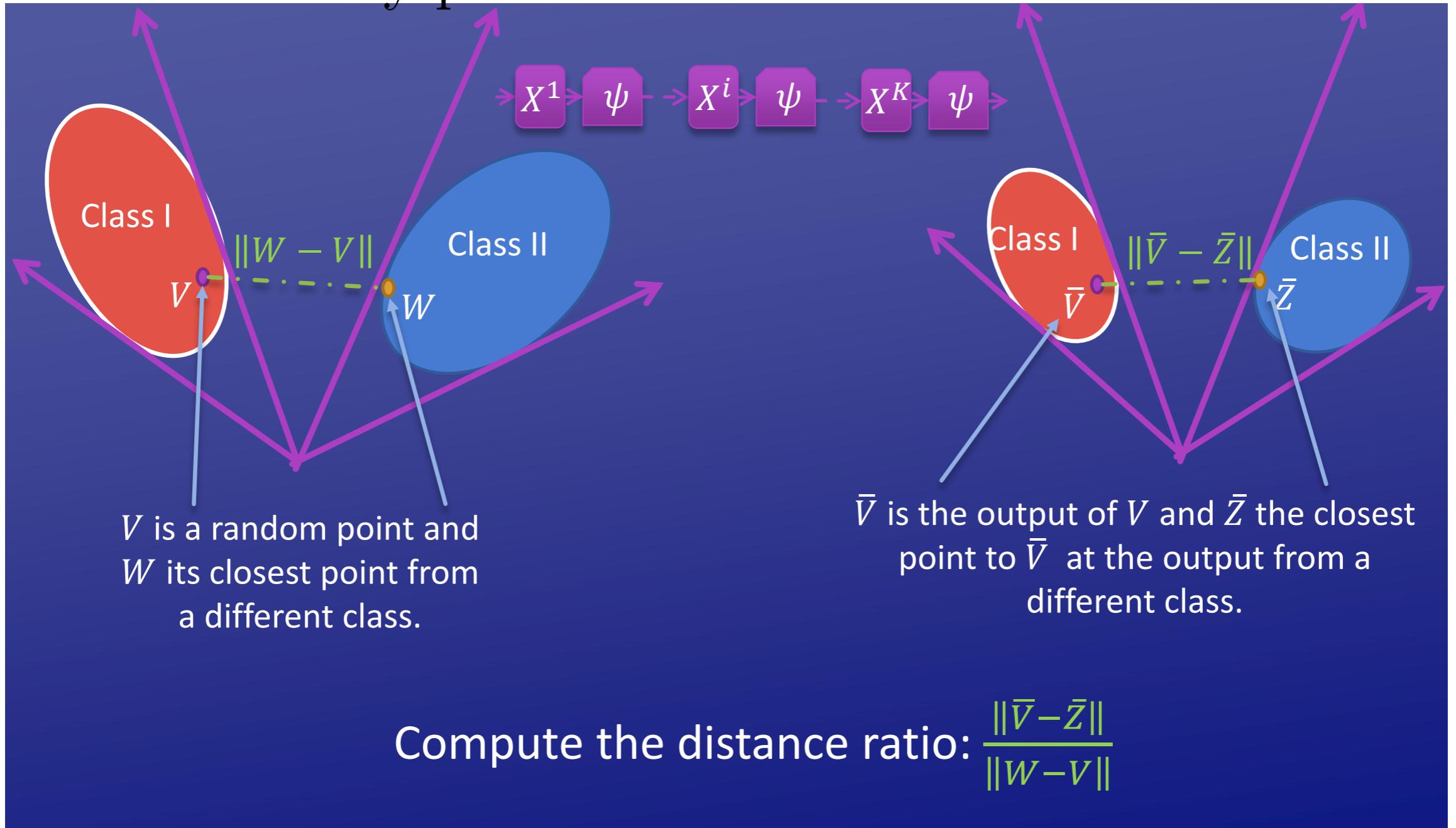
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The result can be cascaded since gaussian mean width is approximately preserved by each layer.

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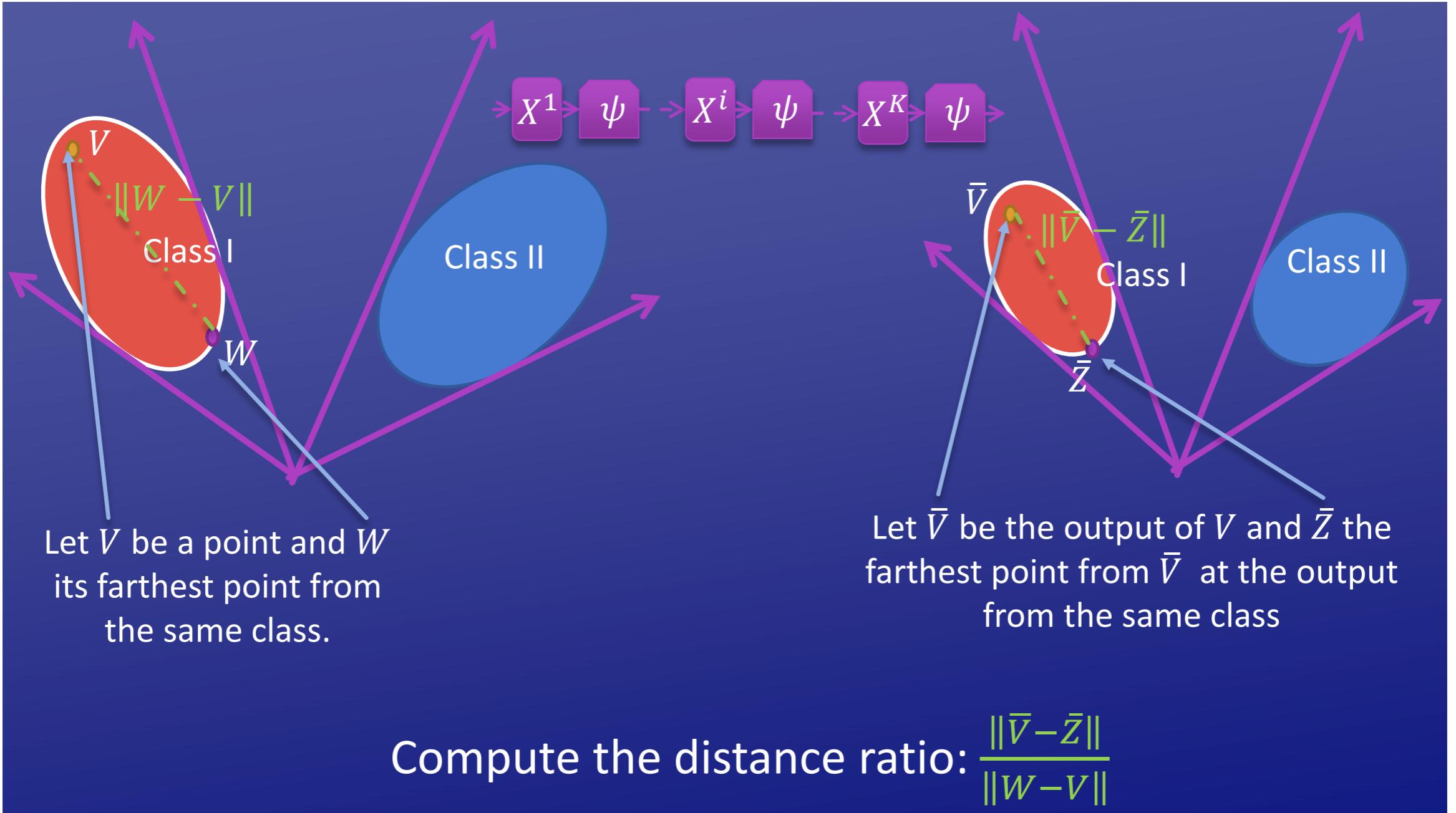
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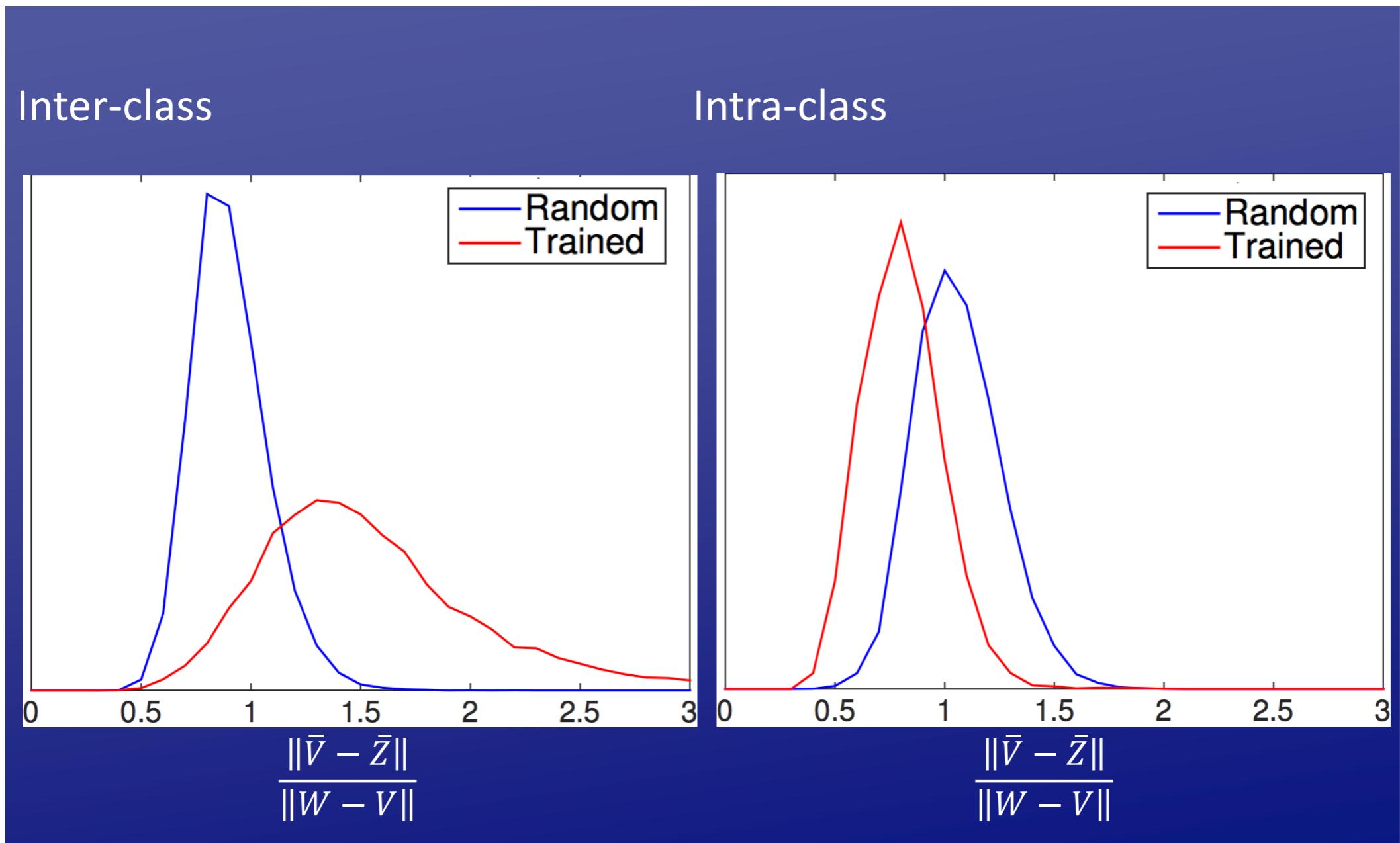


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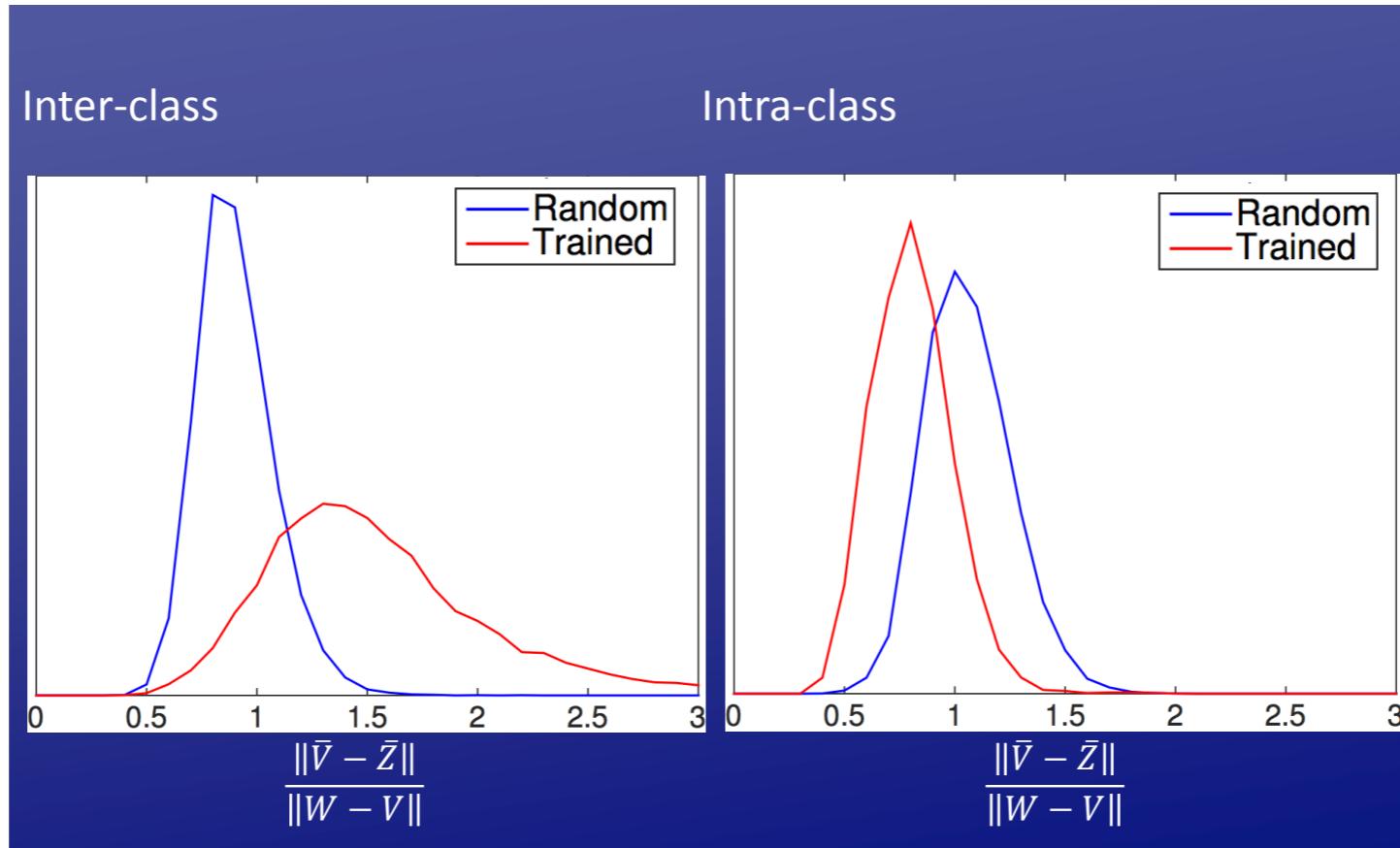
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Boundary distance ratios
measured on Imagenet using VGG oxfordnet



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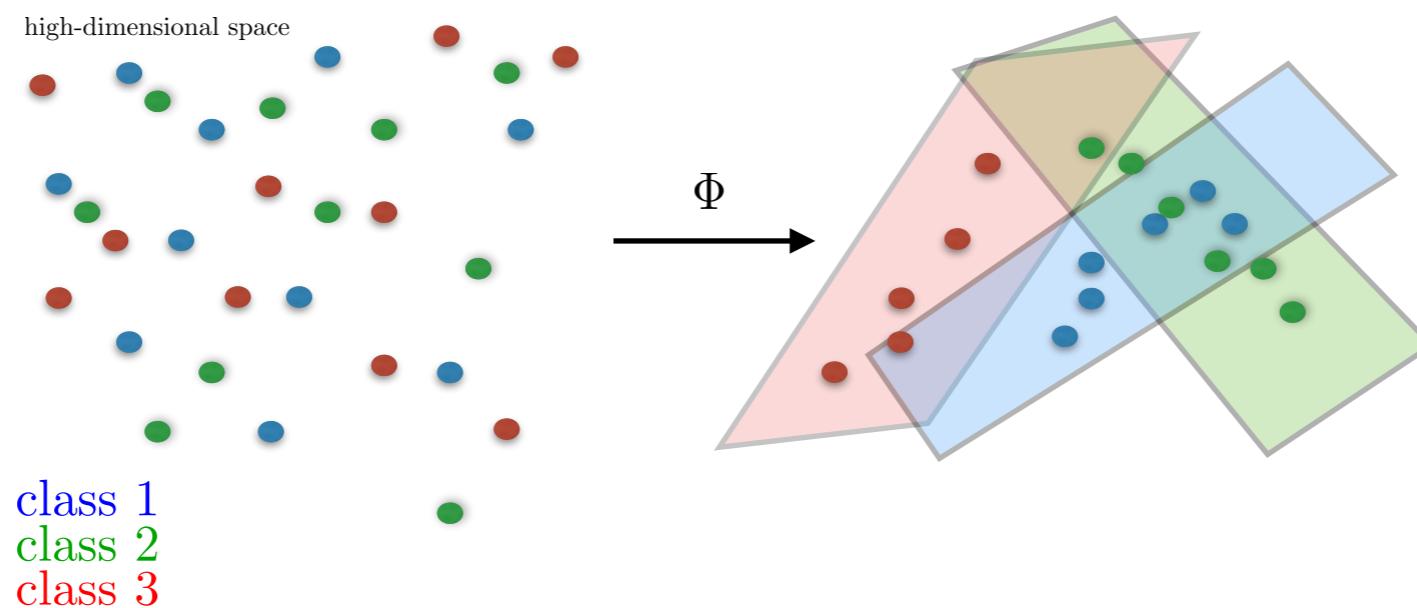


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- Training the network does not affect the *bulk* of distances
- However, it critically changes the behavior at the boundary points:
 - Inter-class distances expand (as expected).
 - Intra-class distances shrink (as expected).

INVERTIBILITY WITH TRAINING

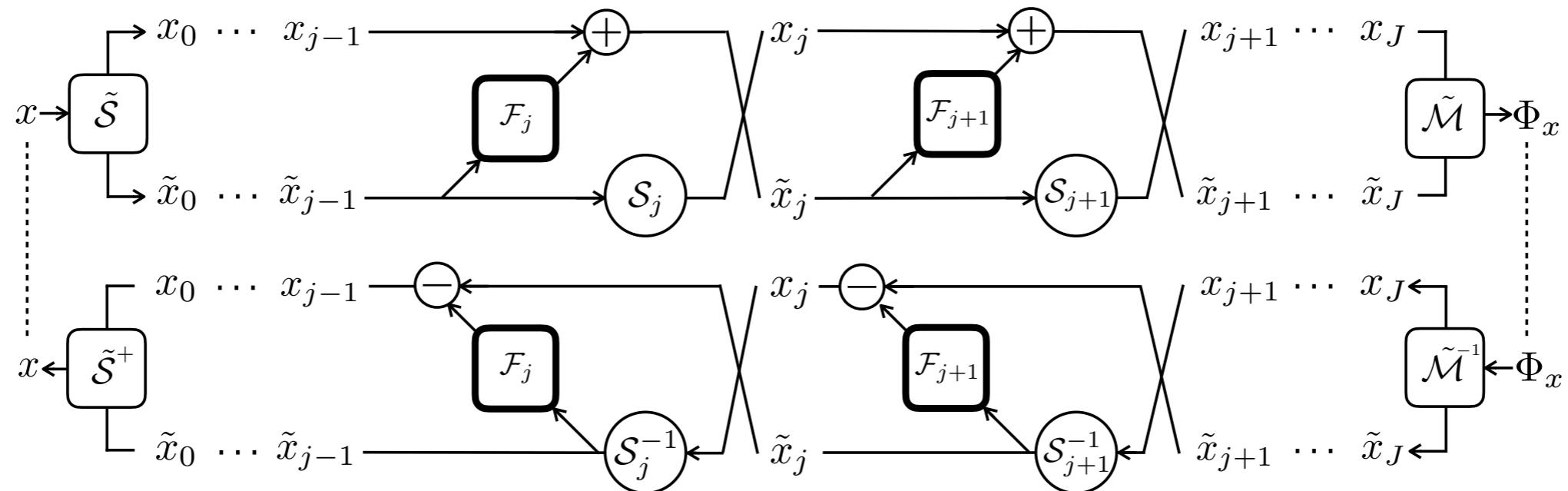
- Hypothesis: Deep CNNs progressively “linearize” intra-class variability.
$$\hat{f}(x) = \langle \Phi(x), w \rangle$$
- Hypothesis: Once it is “linearized”, it can be “killed” by linear projections that contract the space:
$$\Phi(x) = \rho W_L \rho W_{L-1} \cdots W_1 x$$



- Does this imply that the network loses information?
 - As implied by “Information Bottleneck”, Tibshy et al.

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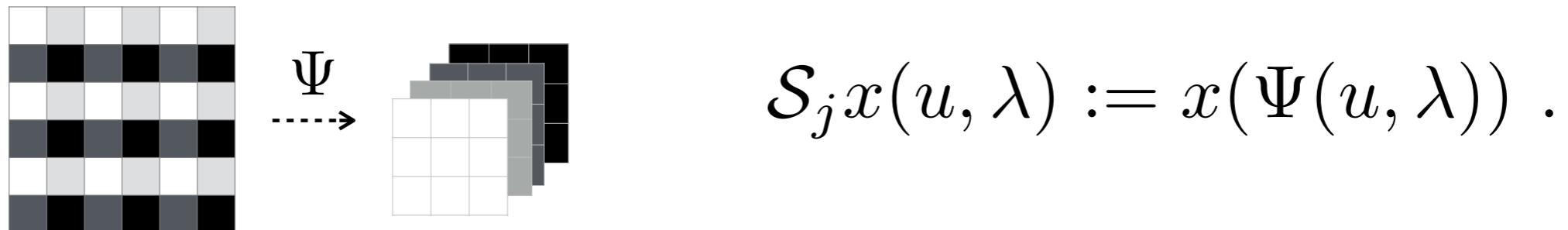
- iRevNets [Jacobsen, Smeulders, Oyallon, ICLR'18] construct provably invertible CNN representations for large-scale image classification.



- \mathcal{S}_j : linear *invertible* reshuffling operator.
- \mathcal{F}_j : non-linear convolutional net.
- Same as residual networks, but downsampling is made invertible.

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- Invertible down-sampling operator:



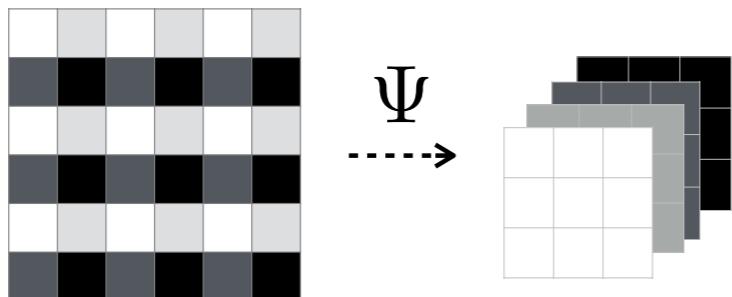
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- Classification performance is preserved despite invertibility:

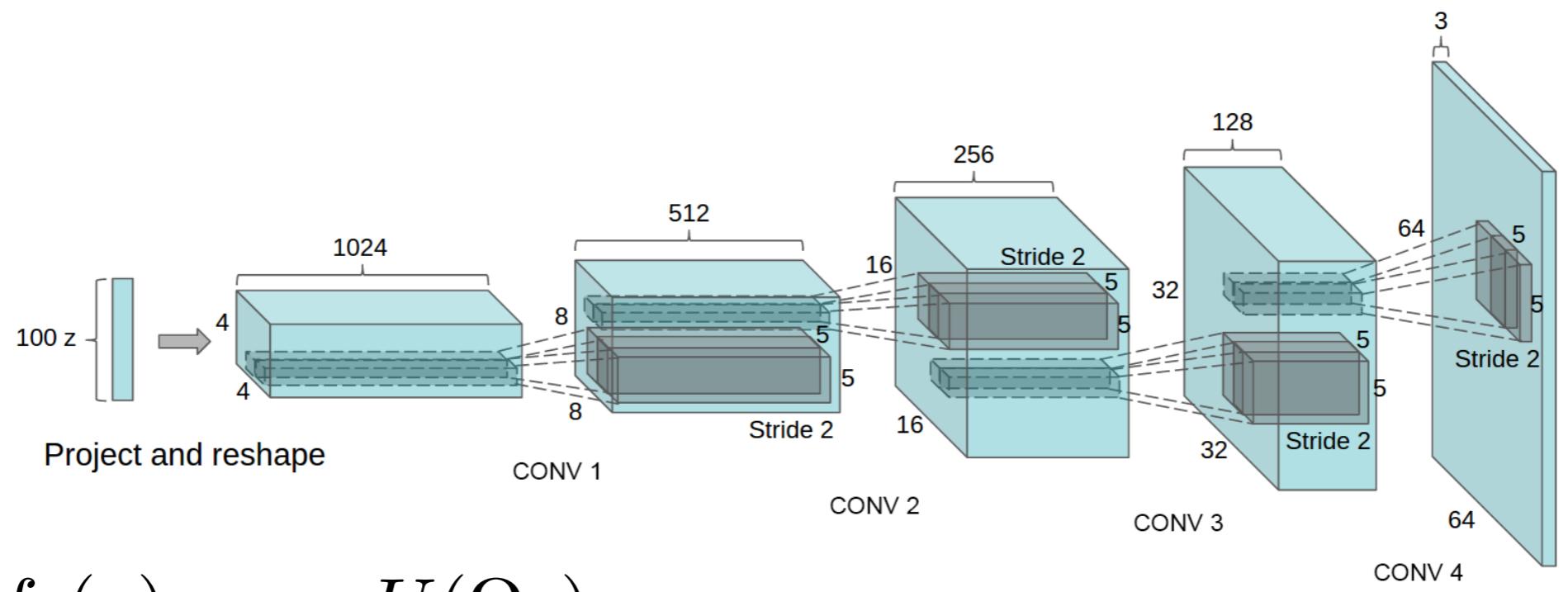
Architecture	Injective	Bijective	Top-1 error	Parameters
ResNet	-	-	24.7	26M
RevNet	-	-	25.2	28M
i -RevNet (a)	yes	-	24.7	181M
i -RevNet (b)	yes	yes	26.7	29M

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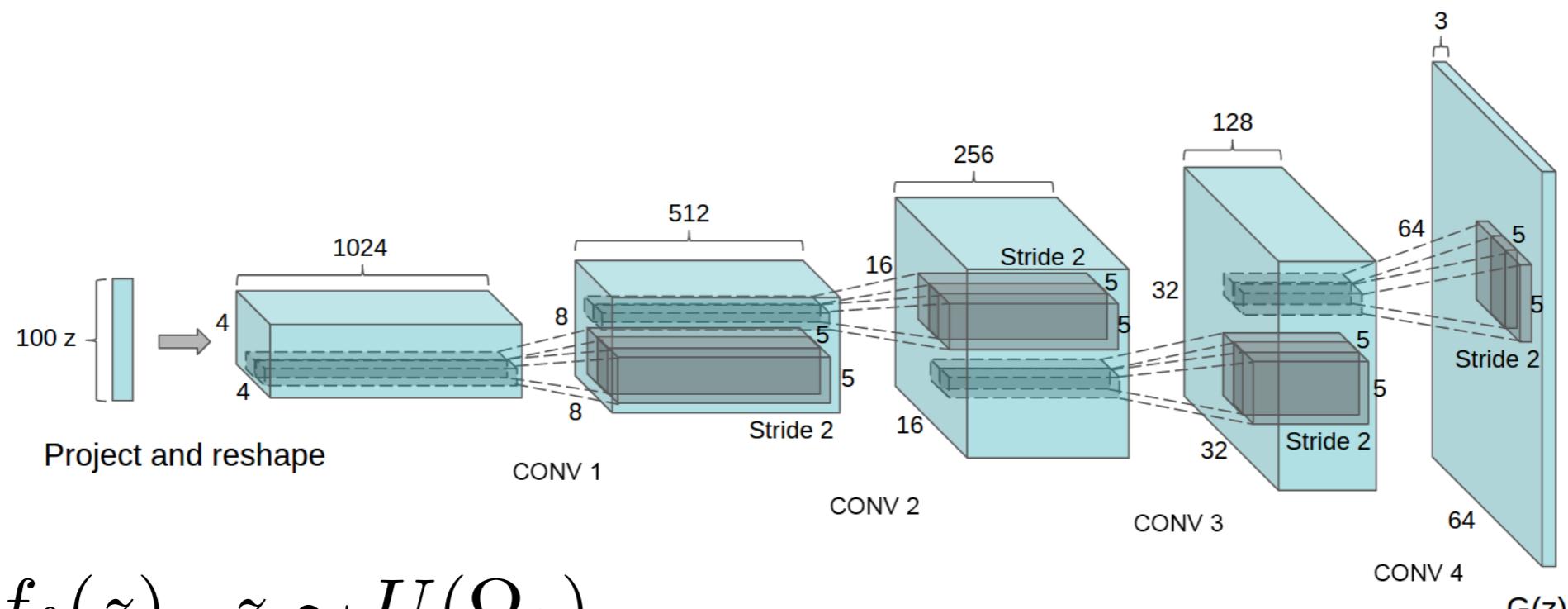


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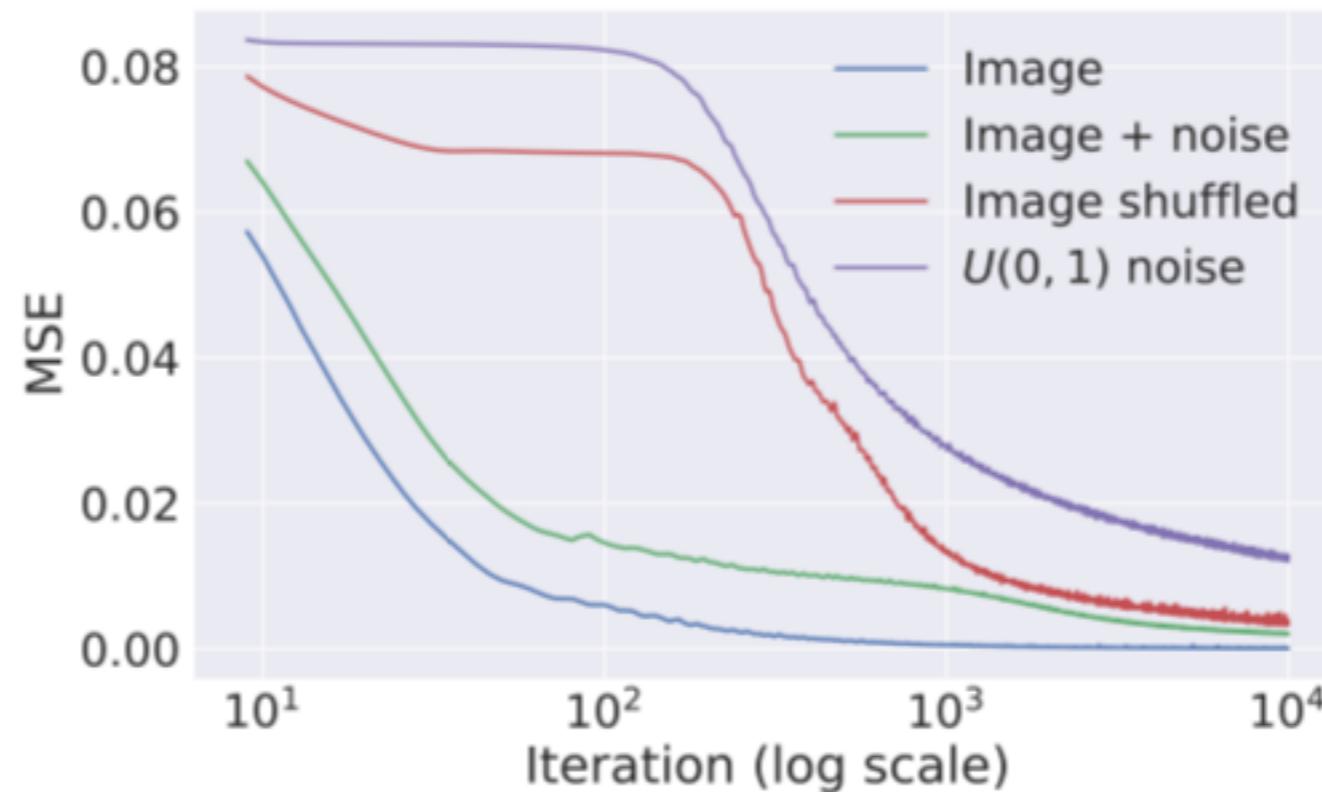
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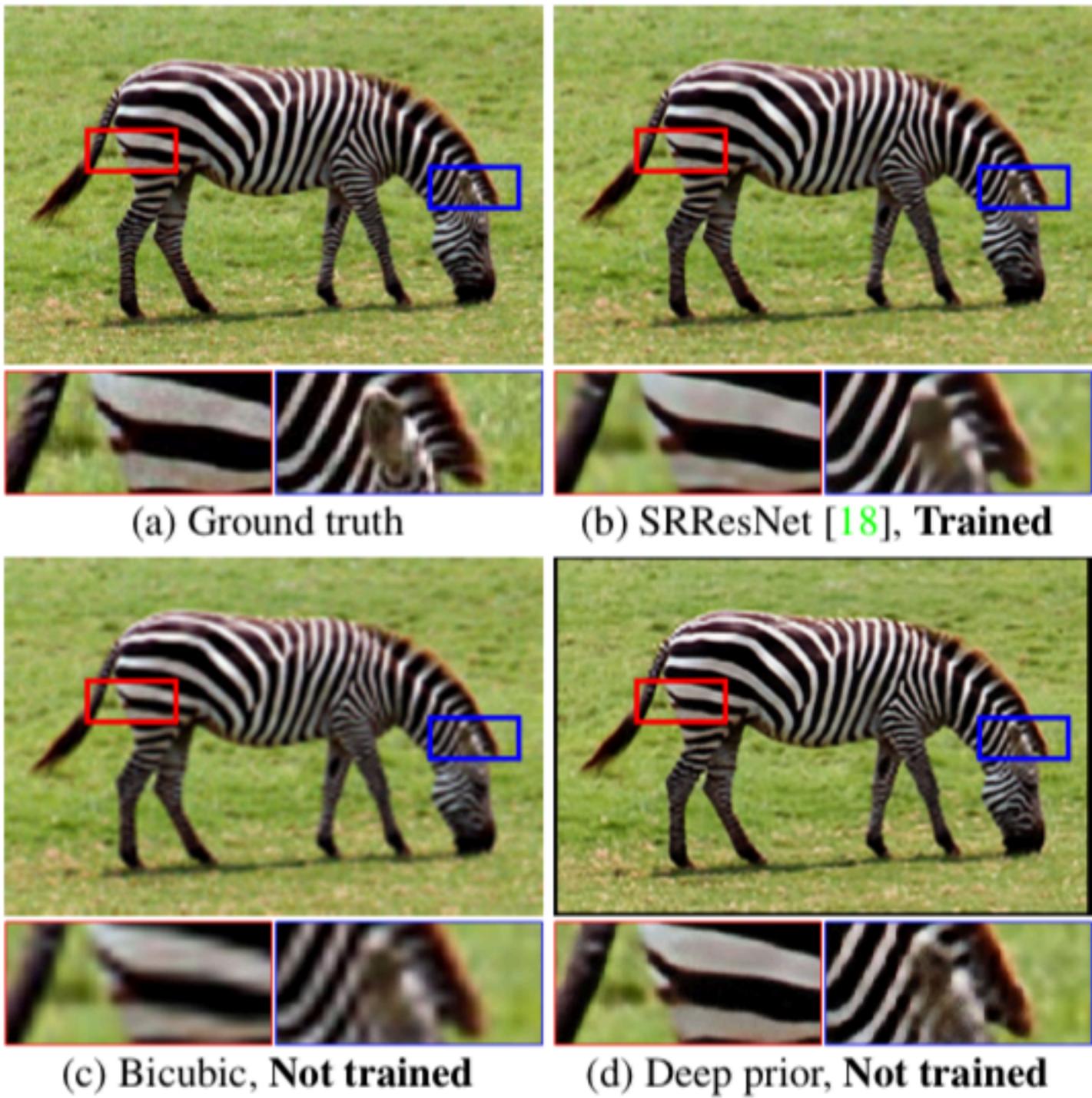
- Given $x \in L^2(\Omega)$, fix a sample $z \sim U$ and consider the optimization problem $\min_{\theta} \ell(x, f_{\theta}(z))$
- Remarkably, *natural* images are easier to approximate than “non-natural” images:



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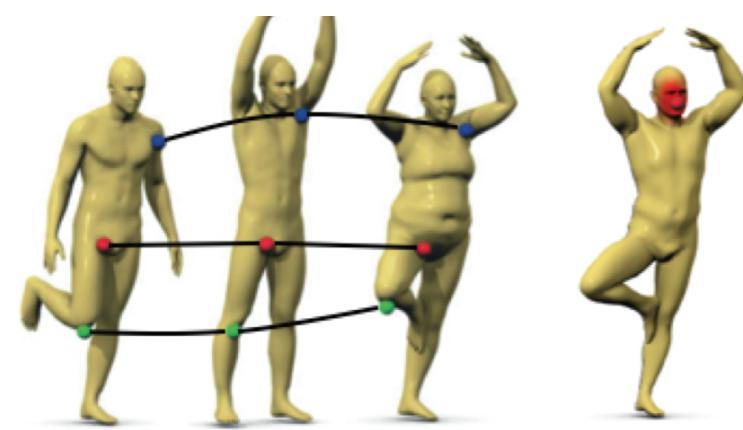
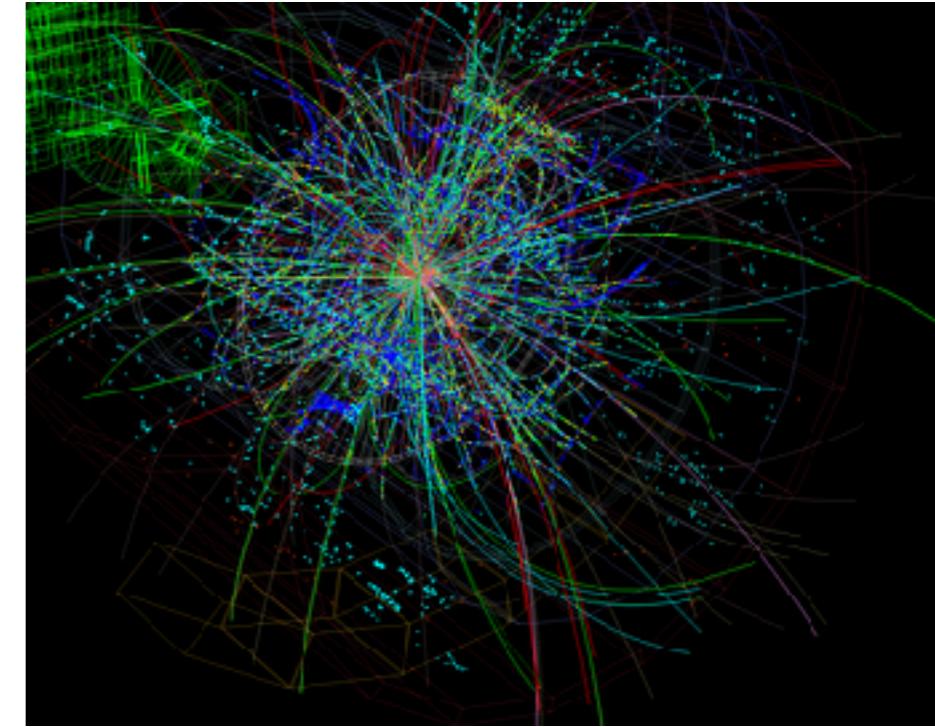
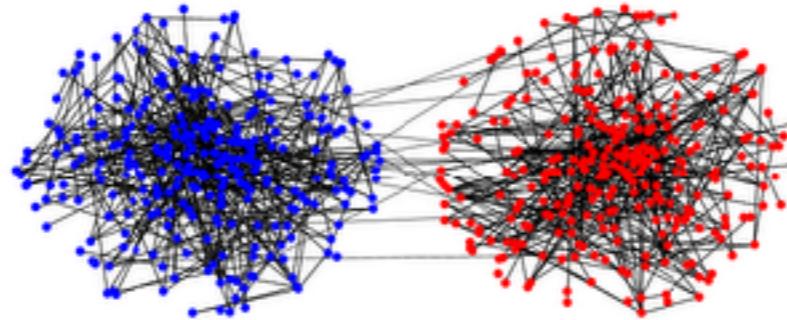
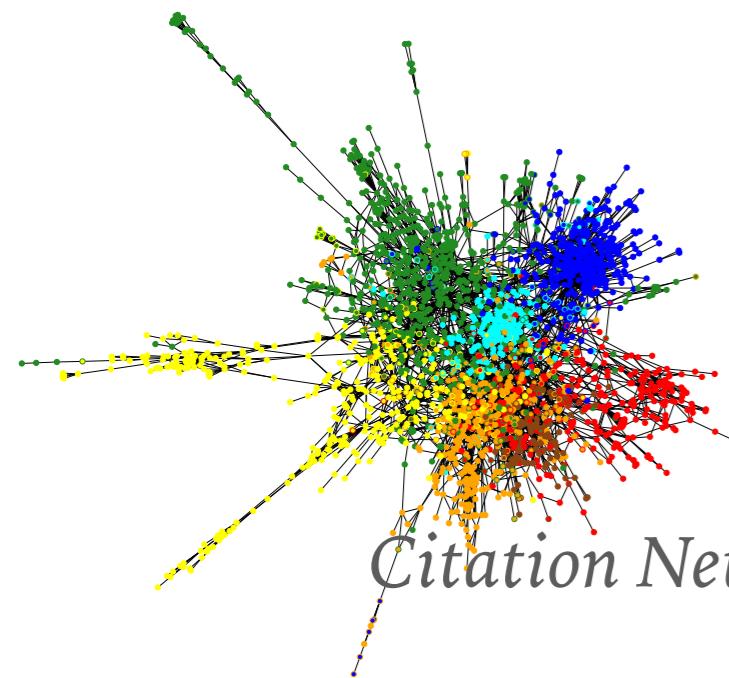
$$\hat{x} = f_{\theta^*}(z) , \theta^* \in \arg \min_{\theta} \|\Gamma f_{\theta}(z) - x_0\|^2$$

- Applications to imaging inverse problems *without learning.*
- More on that next week.

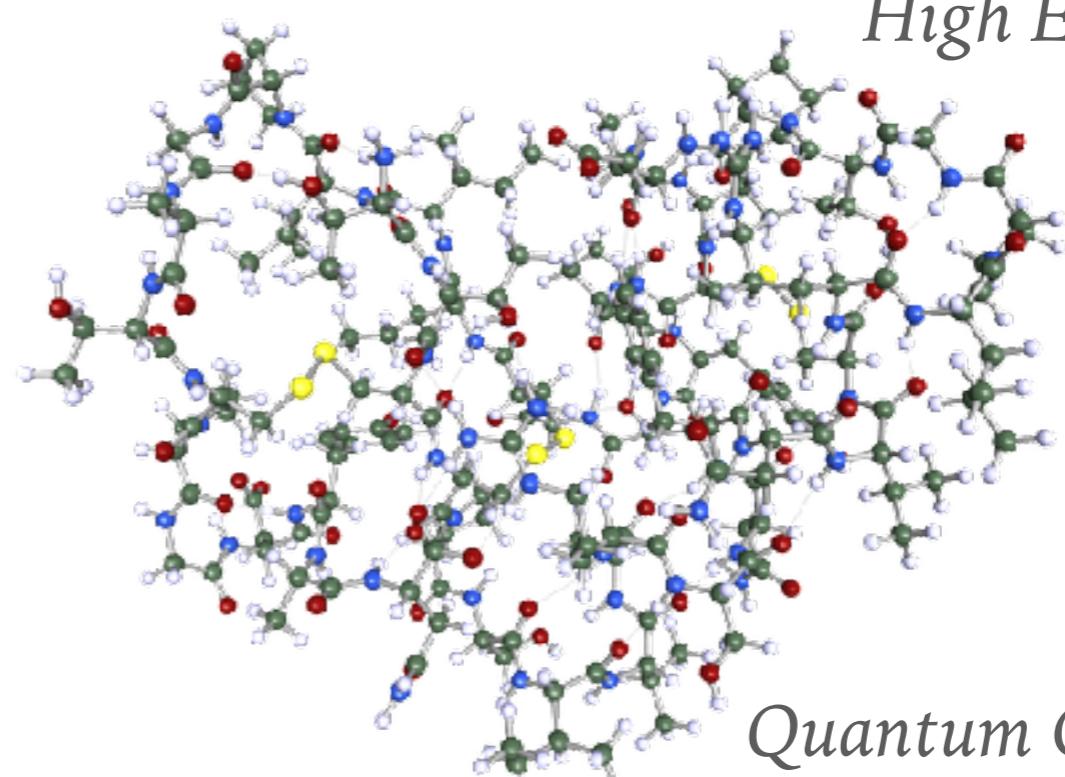


TOWARDS NON-EUCLIDEAN GEOMETRIES

- How about problems/tasks defined over more general domains?



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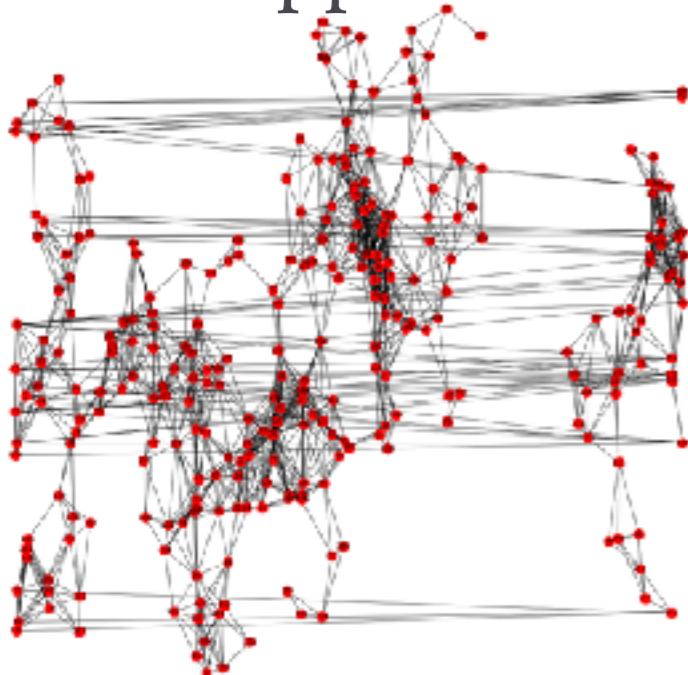


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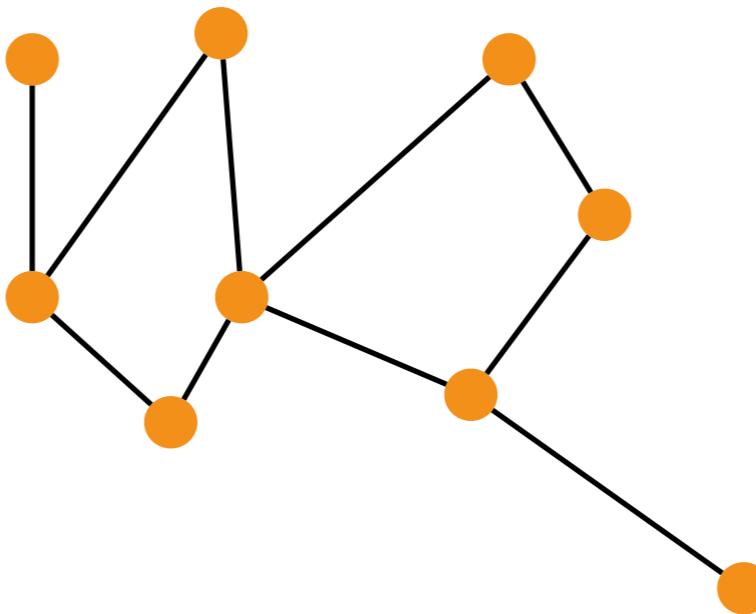
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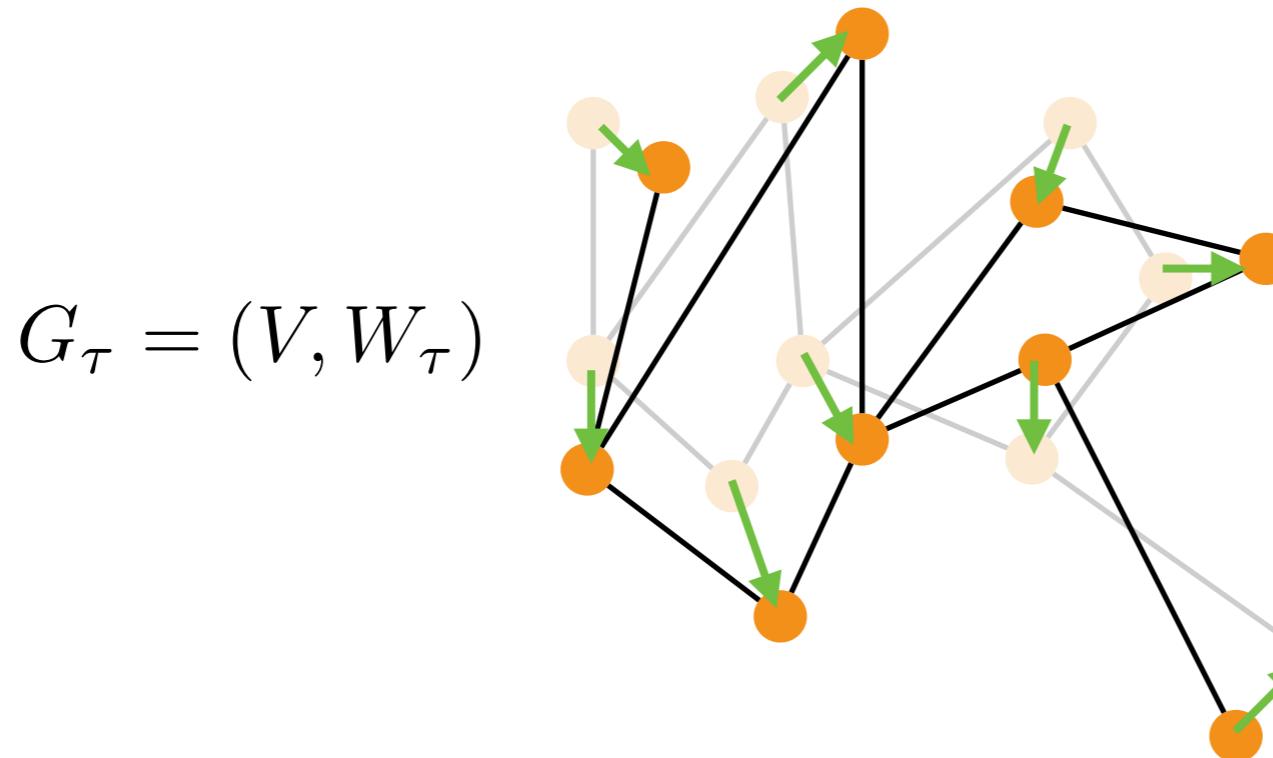
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- Similarly as before, many tasks satisfy geometric stability:

- particle physics / chemistry.

$$f(G) \approx f(G_\tau) \text{ if } \|\nabla \tau\| \text{ small.}$$

- 3D surfaces.

- Can we define geometric deformation/stability intrinsically?

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- Can we generalize this notion of distance between metric spaces? ie on metrics associated with an arbitrary graph?

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- One can measure similarity between metric spaces using e.g. Gromov-Hausdorff distance:

$$d_{\text{GH}}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{Q}) = \frac{1}{2} \inf_{\begin{array}{l} \varphi : \mathcal{M} \mapsto \mathcal{Q} \\ \psi : \mathcal{Q} \mapsto \mathcal{M} \end{array}} \max\{\|\varphi\|, \|\psi\|, \|(\varphi, \psi)\|\}.$$

$$\|(\varphi, \psi)\| = \sup_{m \in \mathcal{M}, q \in \mathcal{Q}} |d_{\mathcal{M}}(m, \psi(q)) - d_{\mathcal{Q}}(q, \varphi(m))|, \|\varphi\| = \sup_{m, m' \in \mathcal{M}} |d_{\mathcal{M}}(m, m') - d_{\mathcal{Q}}(\varphi(m), \varphi(m'))|.$$

- Introduced on surfaces/point-clouds in [Memoli & Sapiro'05], [Bronstein et al'06].

- Corresponds to a permutation distance when $|V| = |V'| :$

$$d_{\text{P}}(G, G') = \frac{1}{2} \min_{\pi \in \Pi_n} \max_{i, j} |d_G(i, j) - d_{G'}(\pi(i), \pi(j))|.$$

INTRINSIC GEOMETRIC STABILITY PRIORS

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- Many inference problems on graphs are stable to intrinsic geometric deformations, in the sense that

$$|f(G) - f(G')| \lesssim d(G, G')$$

- Community Detection.
- Planning, Routing.
- How to leverage geometric stability on graphs?

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- We can write a CNN layer as a linear combination of such operators:

$$\tilde{x} = \rho \left(\sum_k (A_k x) \theta_k \right) . \quad \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k, \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times \tilde{p}} .$$

- What about general graphs?

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- Together with the degree matrix $D = \text{diag}(W\mathbf{1})$, it defines a high-pass filter, the *Graph Laplacian*: $\Delta = D - W$.
- It is also localized and stable to deformations in the sense of GH.