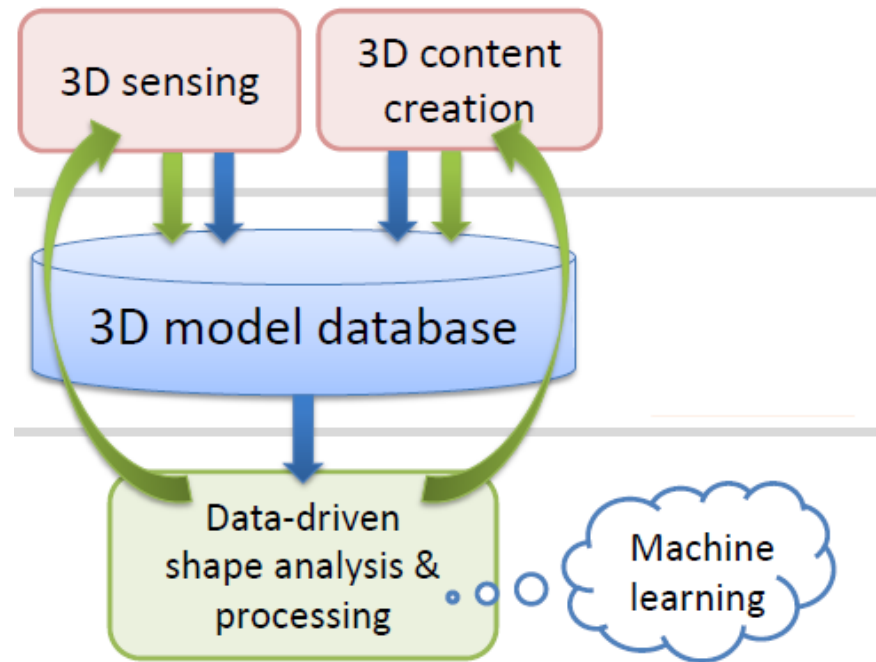


# Machine Learning for Shape Analysis and Processing



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# 3D shapes for computer-aided design



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**Interior design**

# 3D shapes for information visualization



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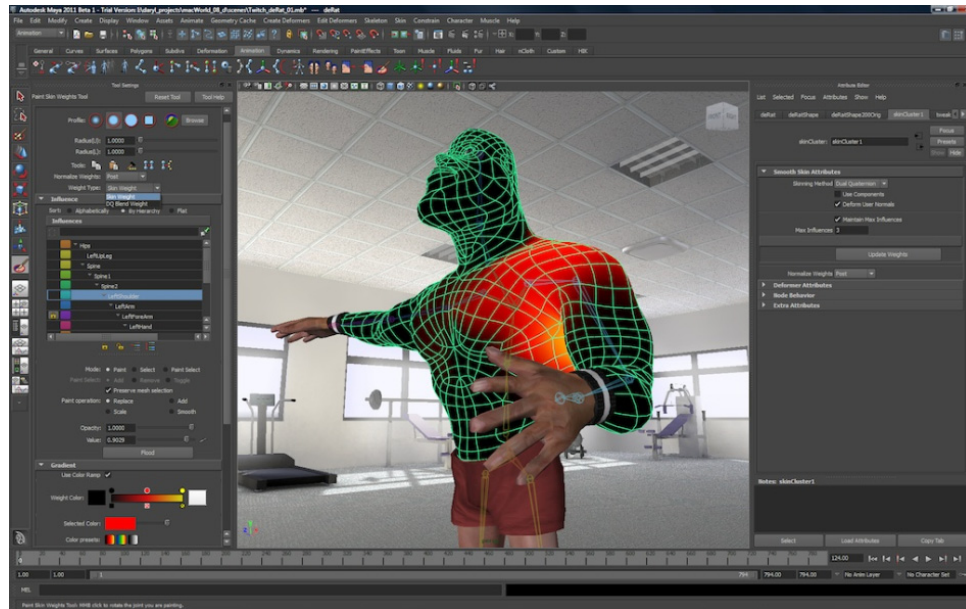
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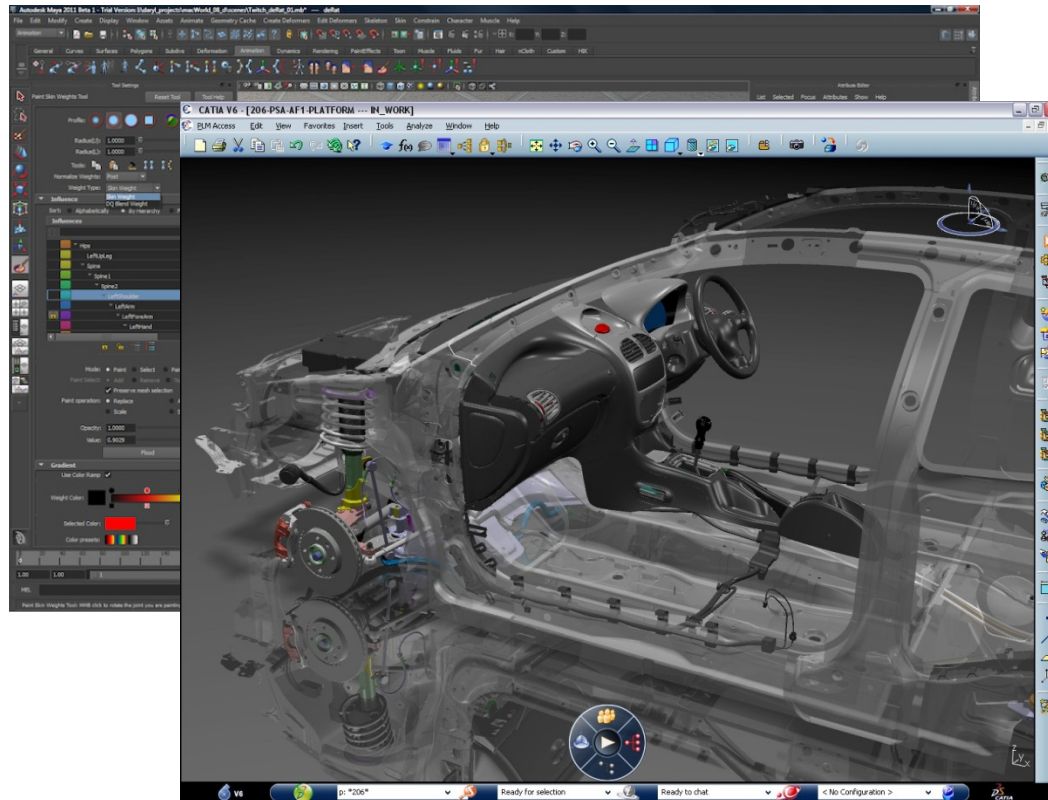


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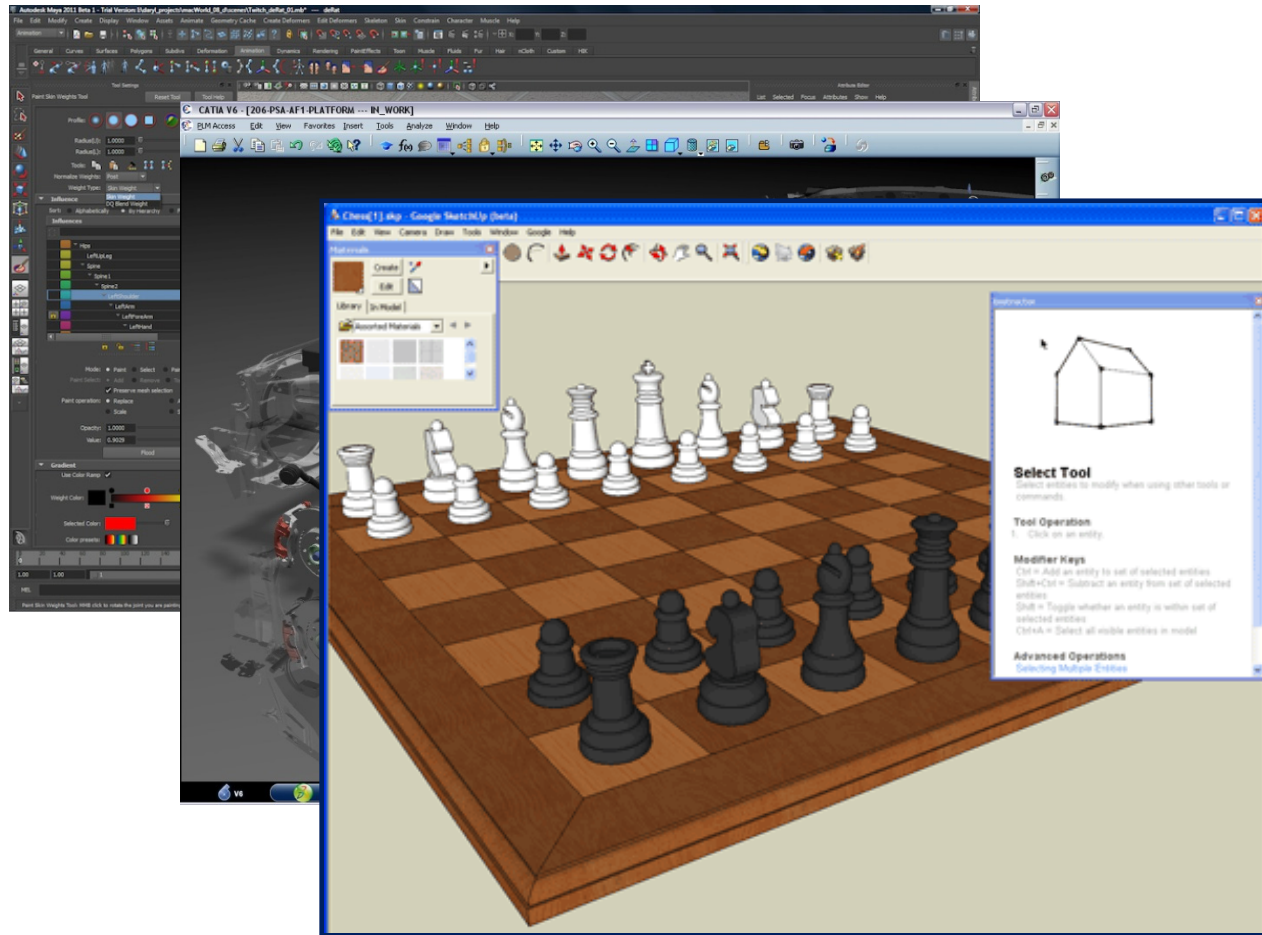
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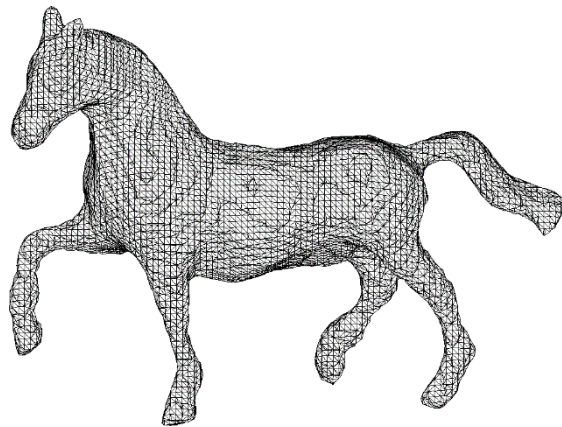


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# Shape understanding

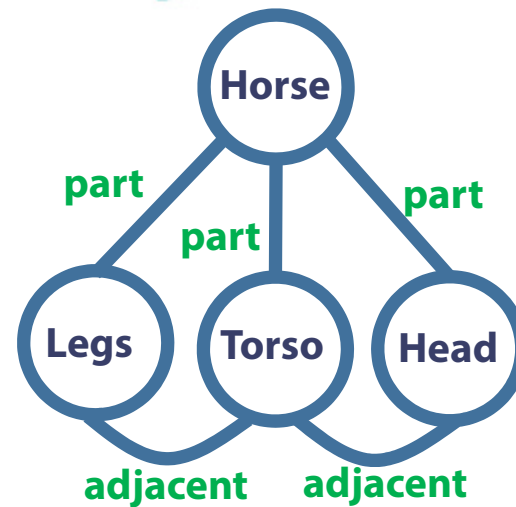
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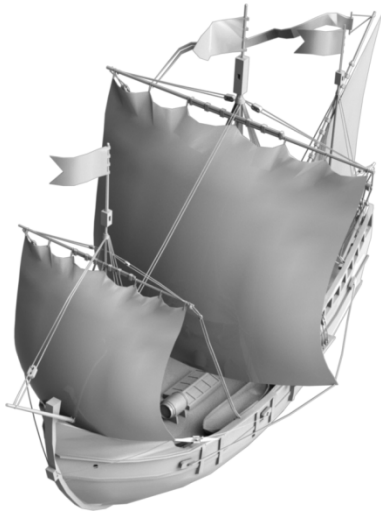
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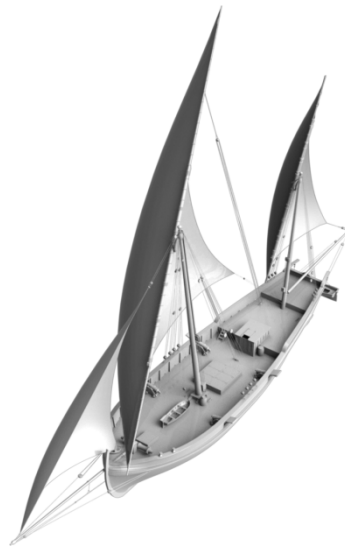
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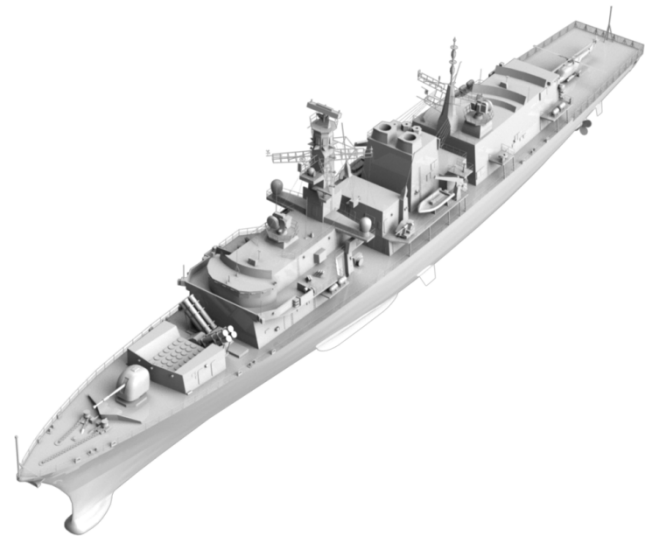
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**Sailing ship,  
Yawl**



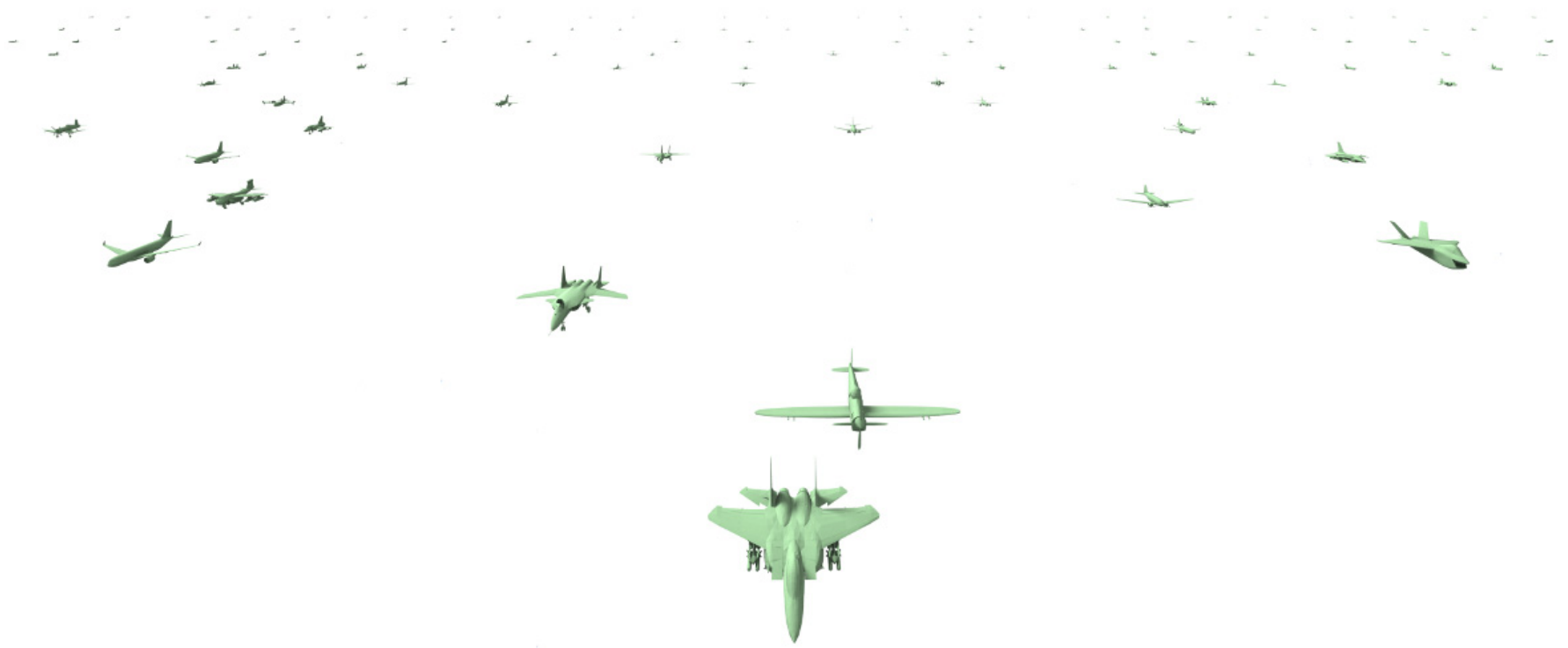
**Military ship,  
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# Why shape understanding? 3D Modeling



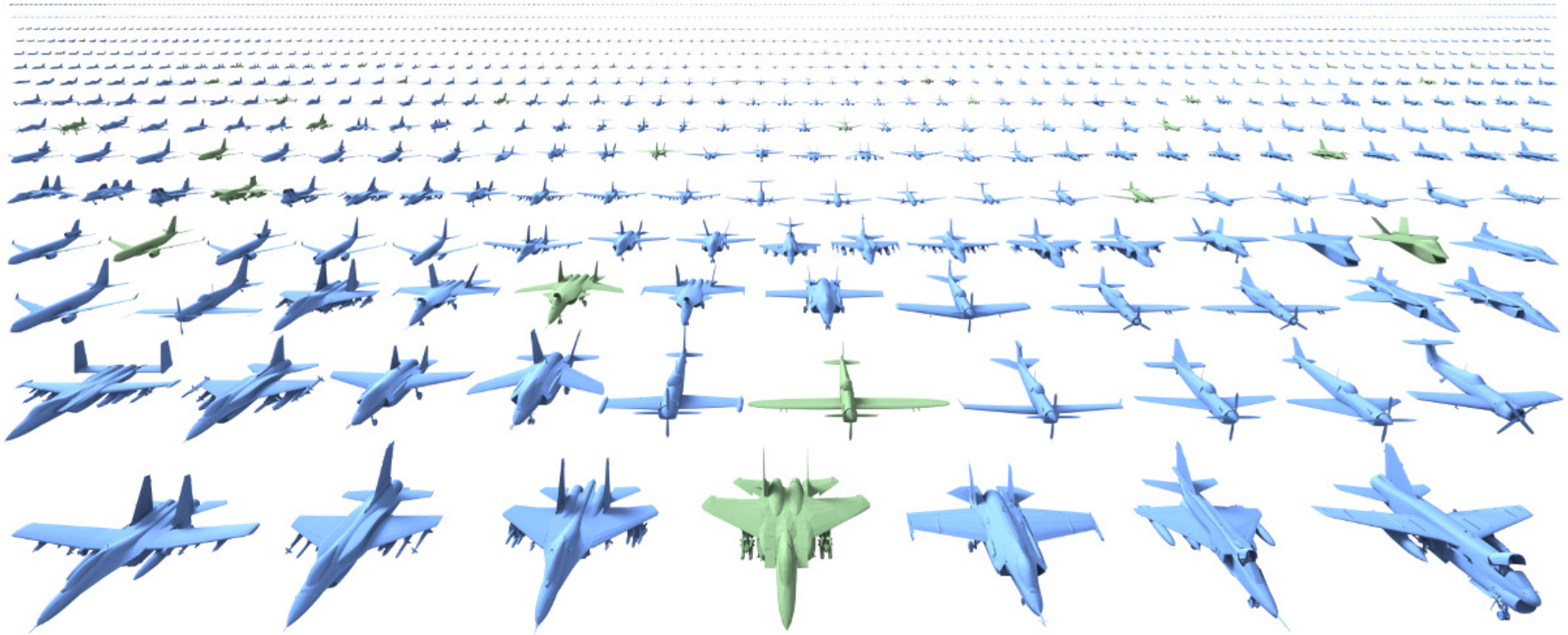
*Chaudhuri, Kalogerakis, Guibas, Koltun, SIGGRAPH 2011*  
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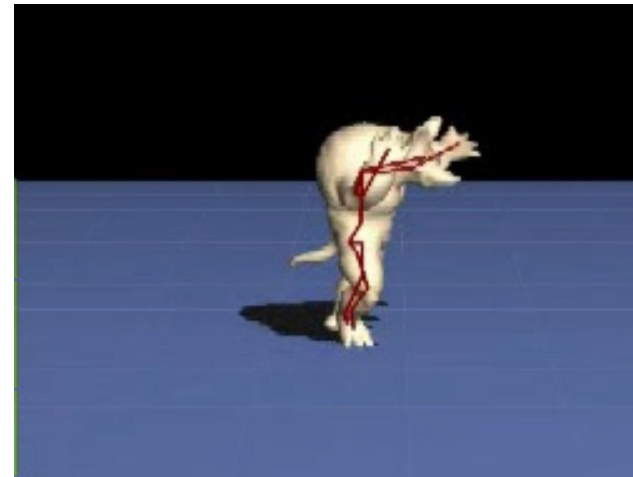


*Kalogerakis, Chaudhuri, Koller, Koltun, SIGGRAPH 2012*

# Why shape understanding? Texturing



# Why shape understanding? Character Animation



*Simari, Nowrouzezahrai, Kalogerakis, Singh, SGP 2009*

# Why data-driven methods for shape understanding?

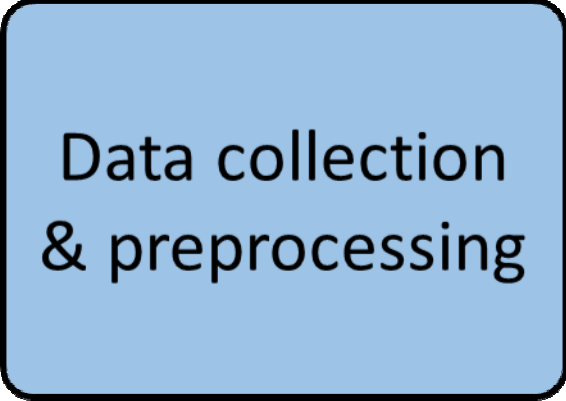
It is extremely hard to perform shape understanding **with a set of deterministic, manually specified rules!**

We should not treat shapes **in complete isolation of all others.**



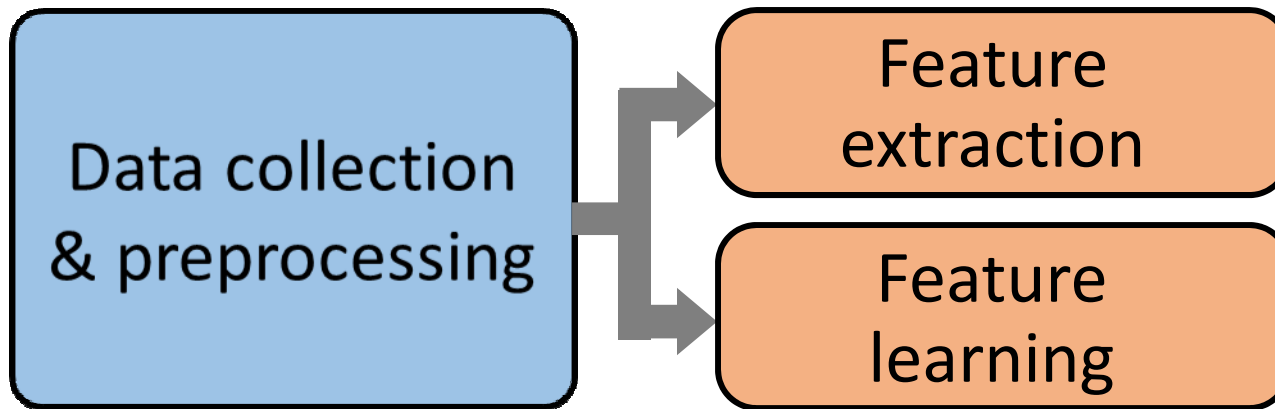


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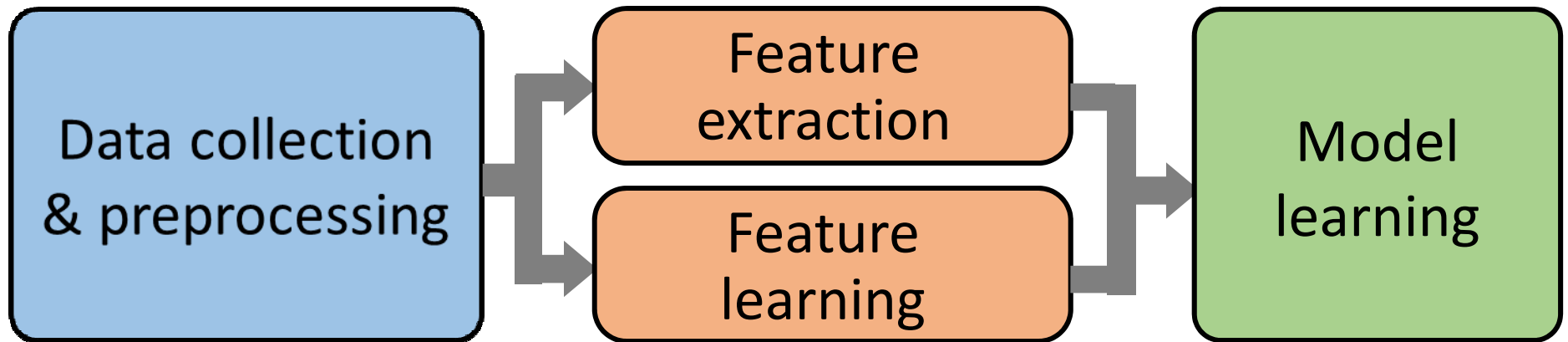


Data collection  
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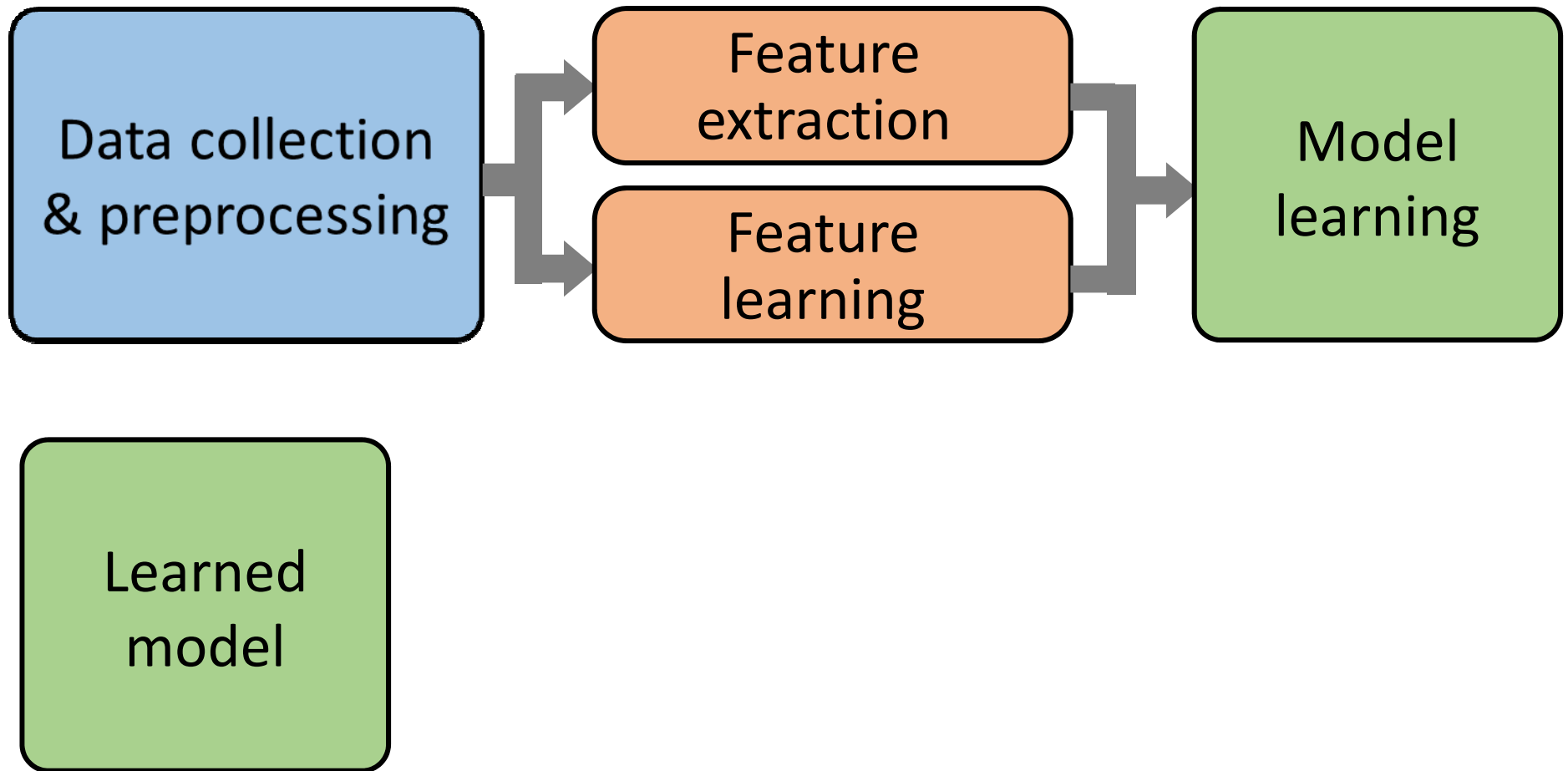
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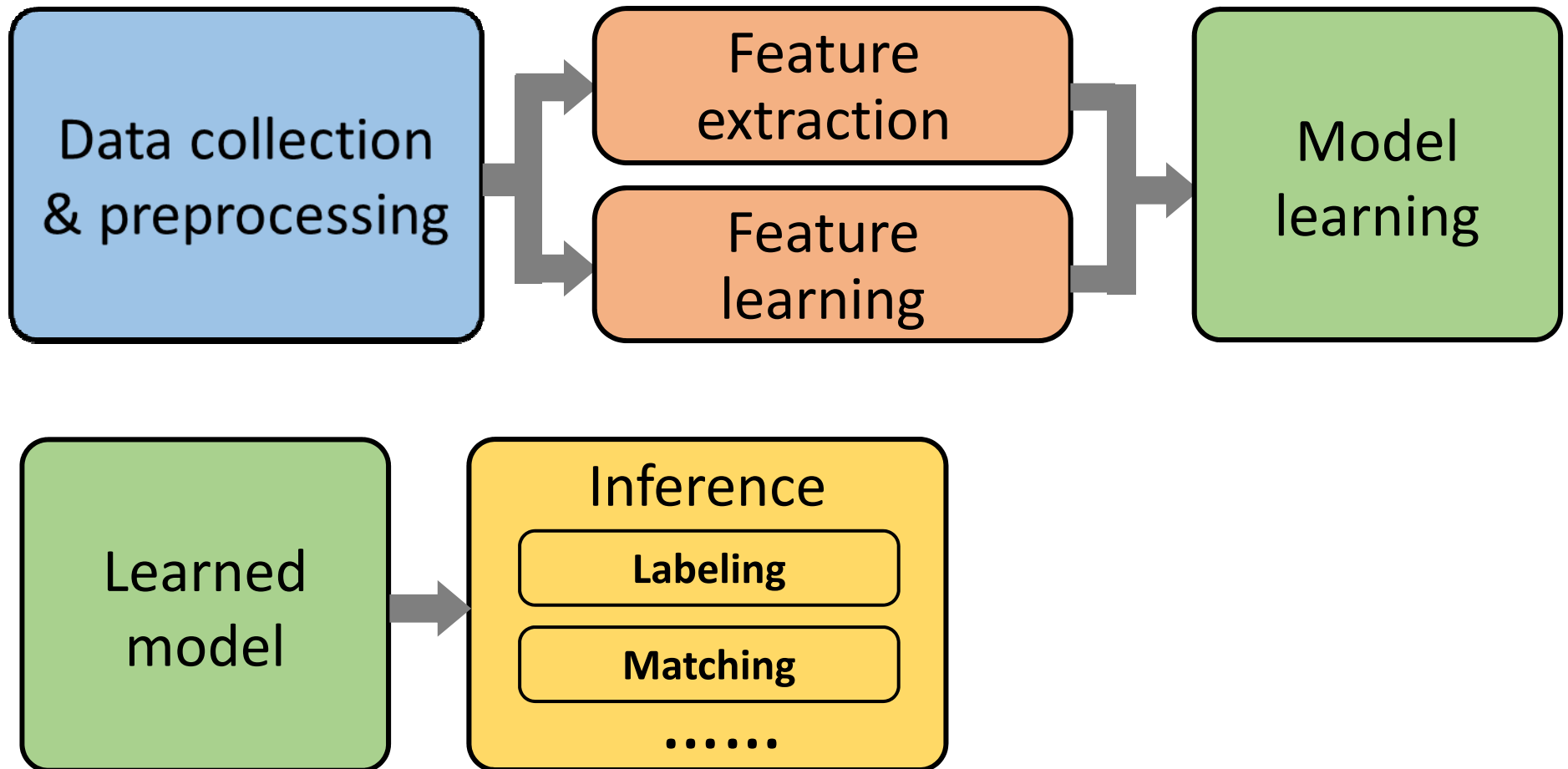
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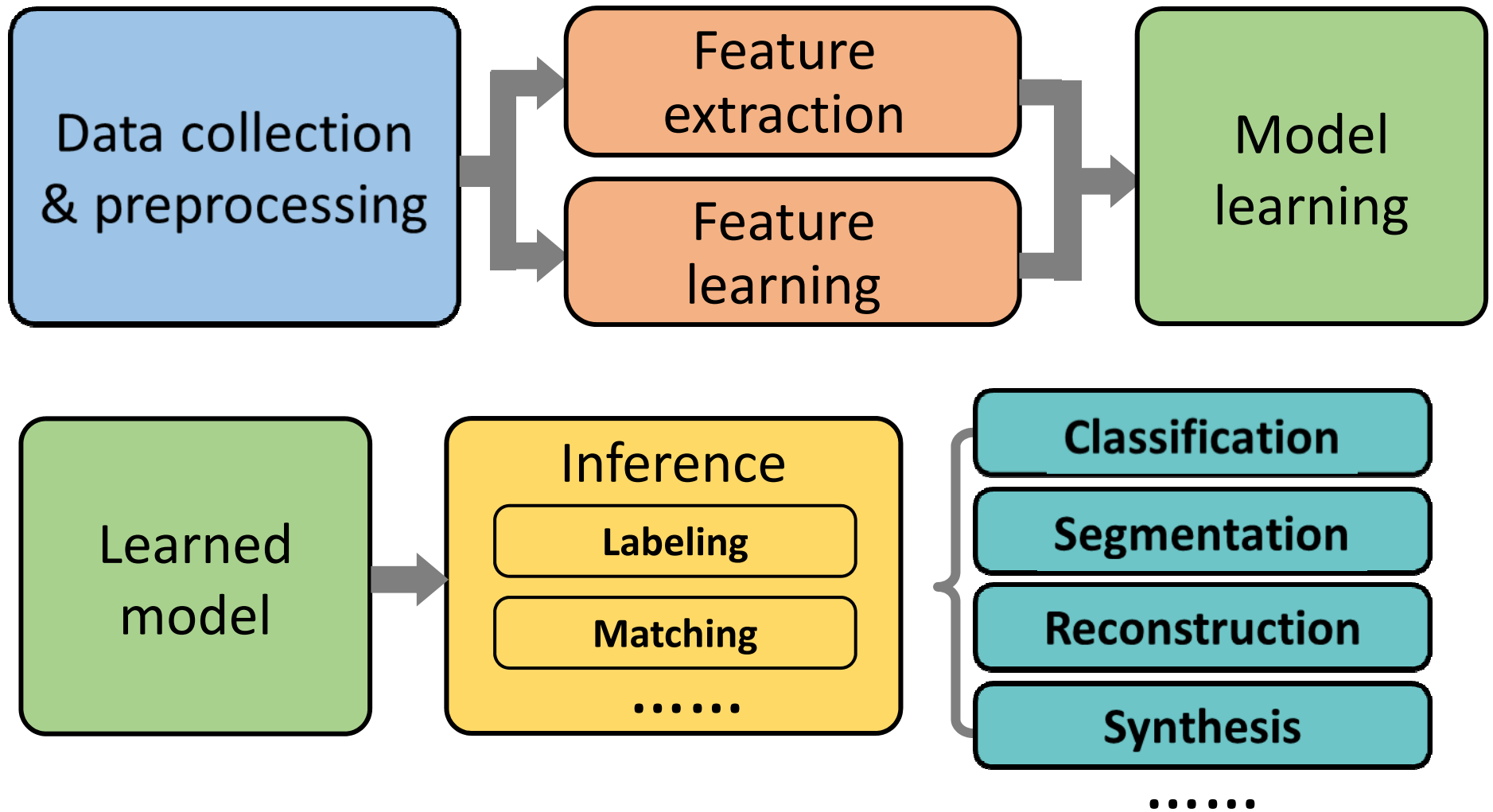


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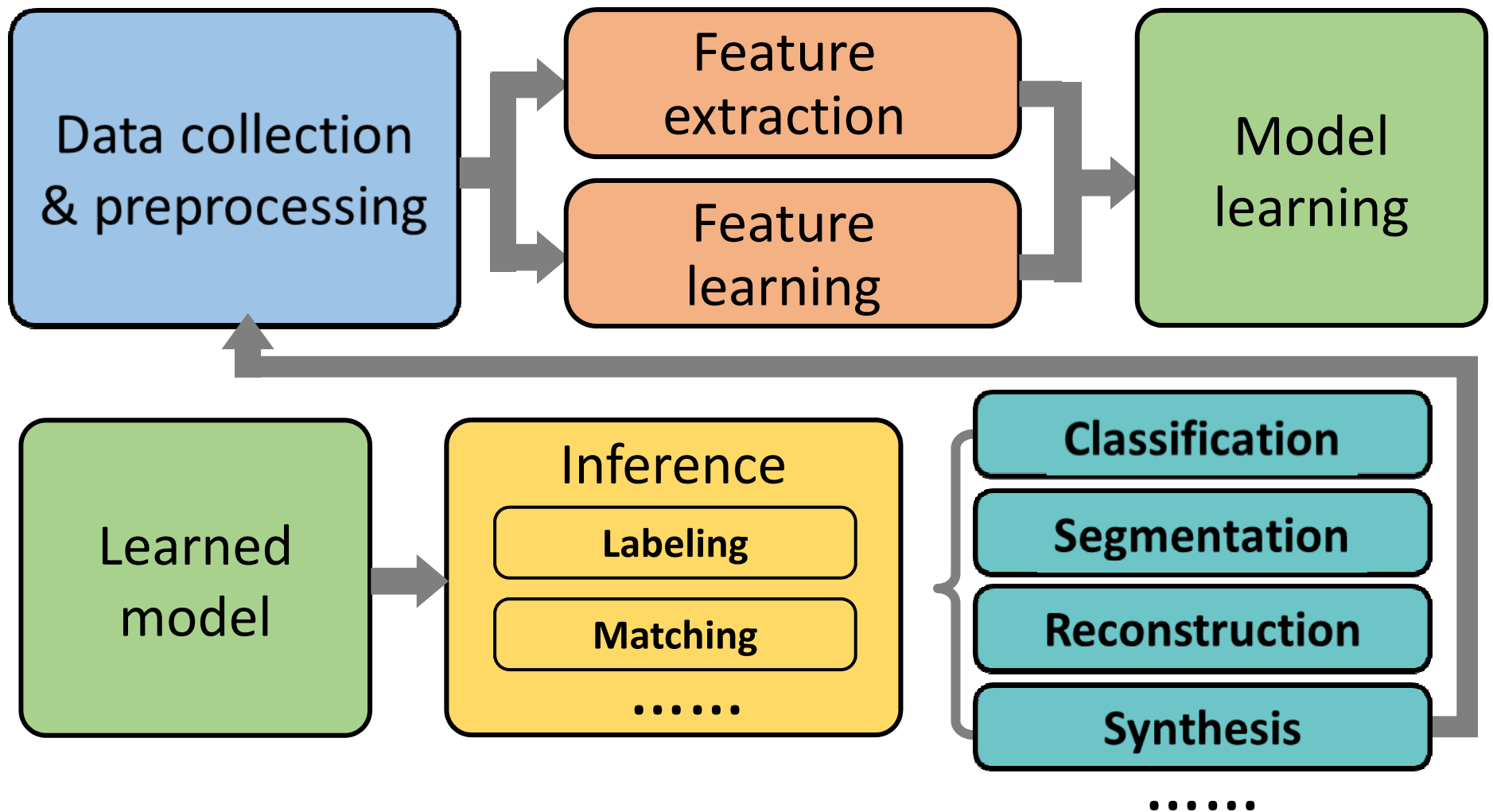




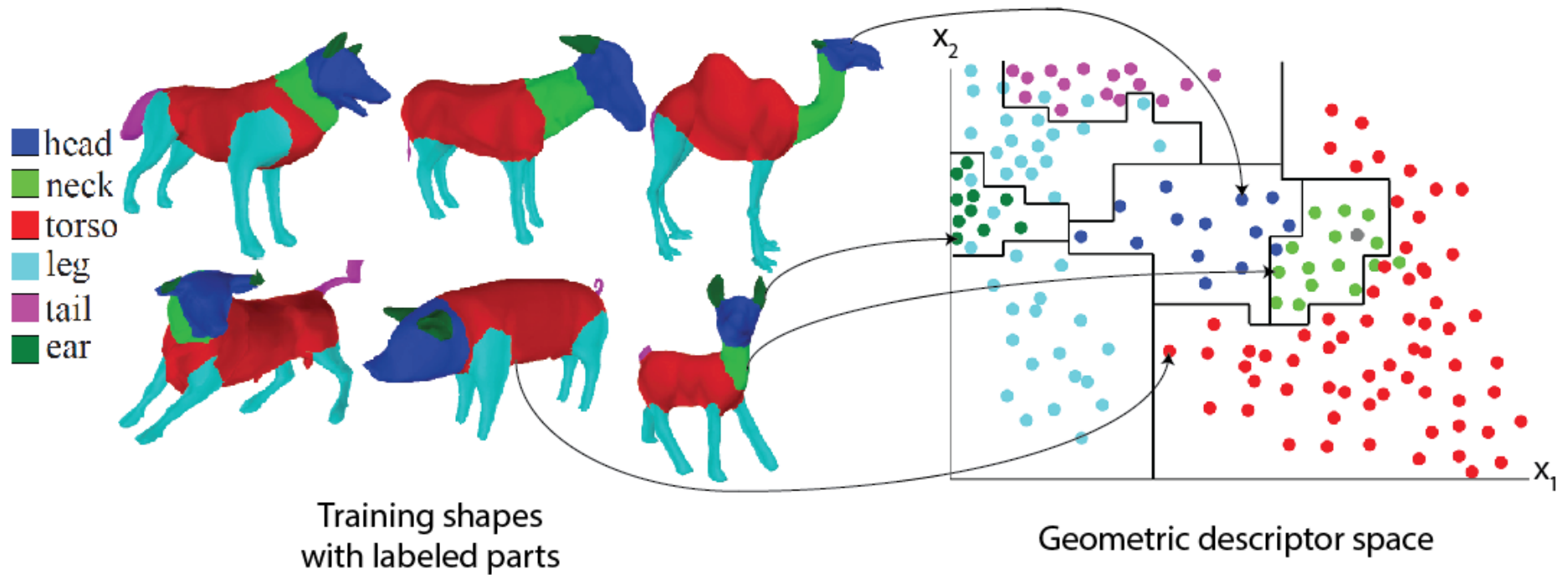
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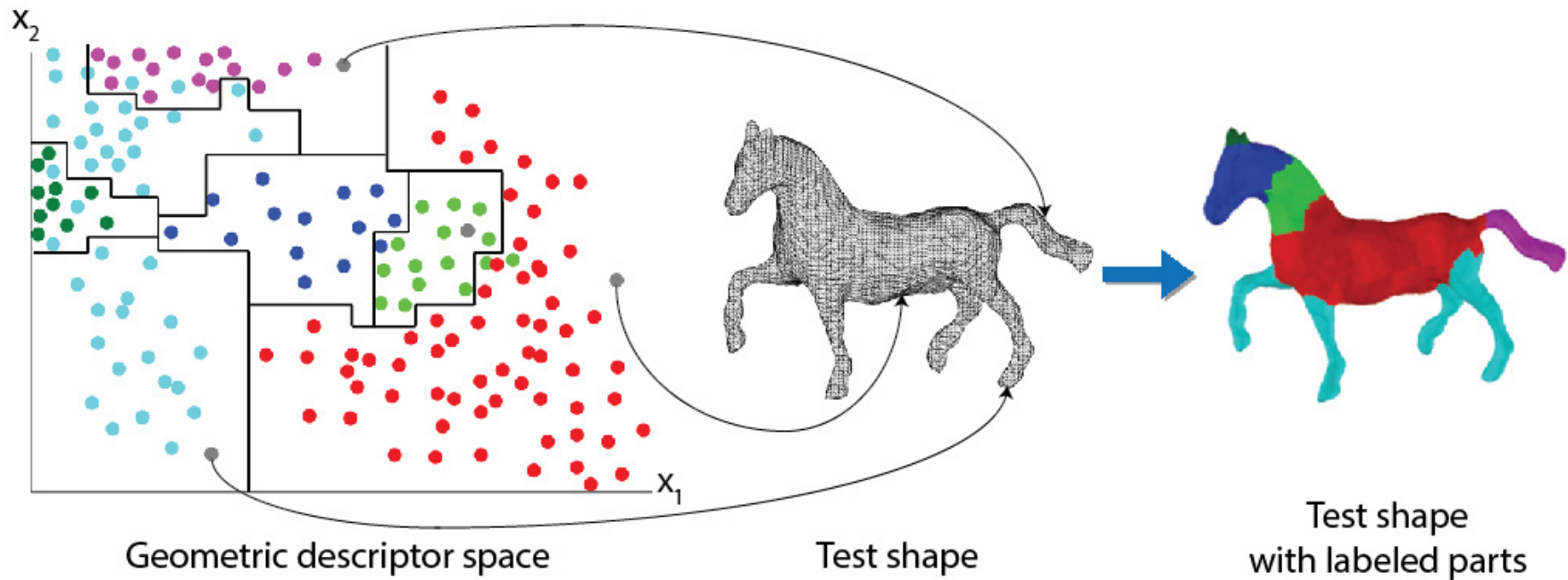
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# Example: part labeling [training stage]



# Example: part labeling [test stage]



# STAR report

**Data-Driven Shape Analysis and Processing, CGF STAR report**  
**Kai Xu, Vladimir Kim, Qixing Huang, Evangelos Kalogerakis**  
**Overview of 200+ works published in the field, 30 pages. Enjoy!**

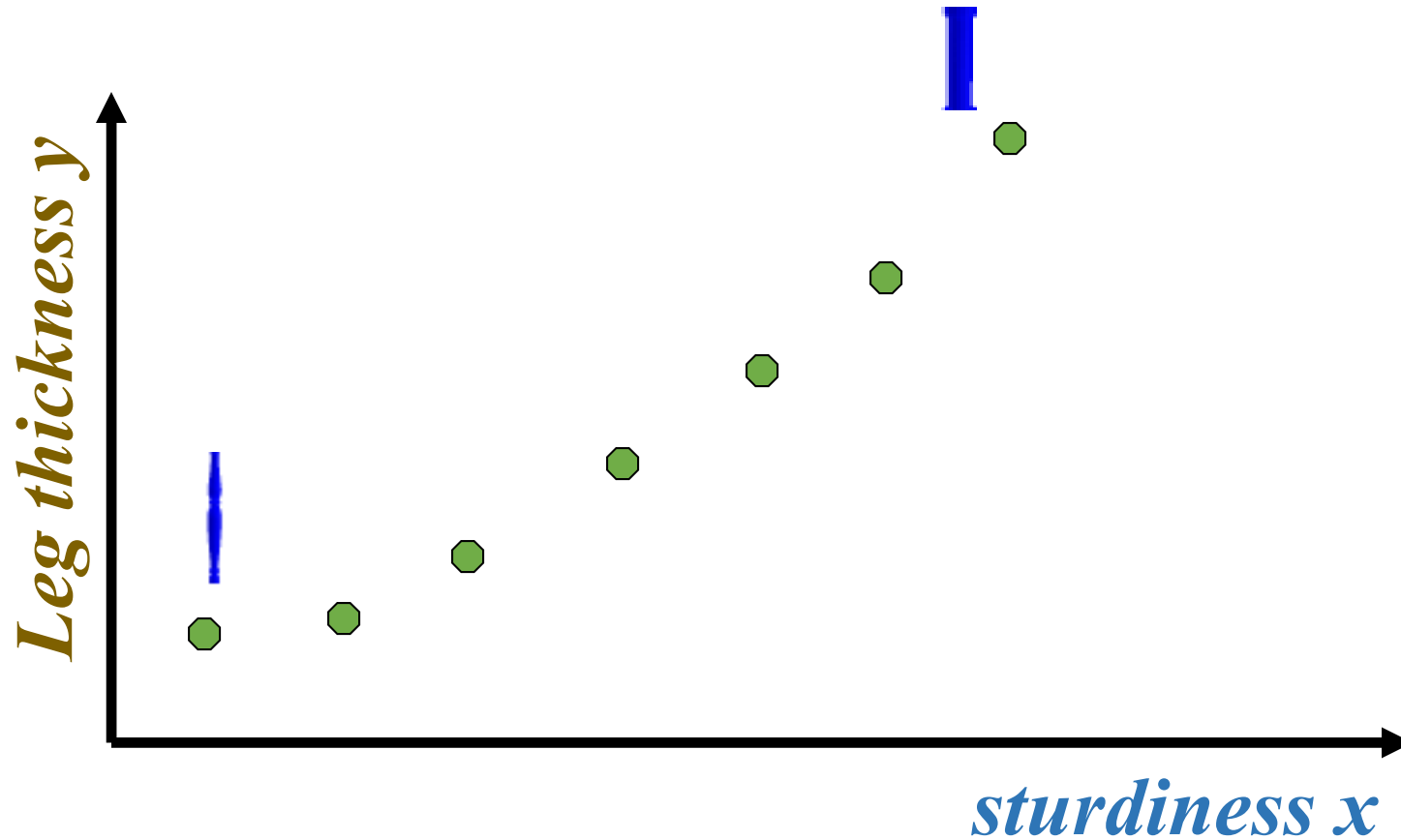
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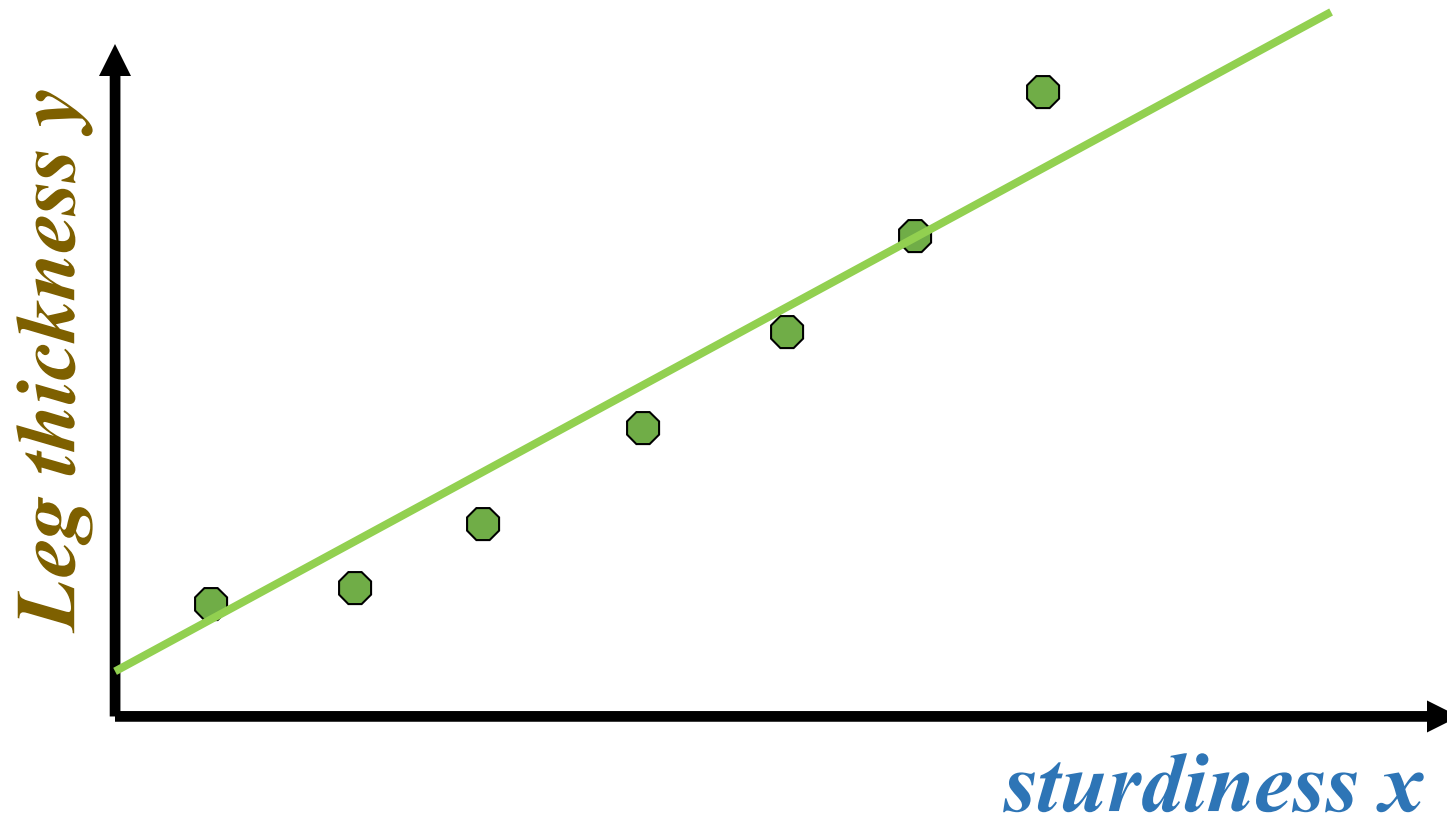
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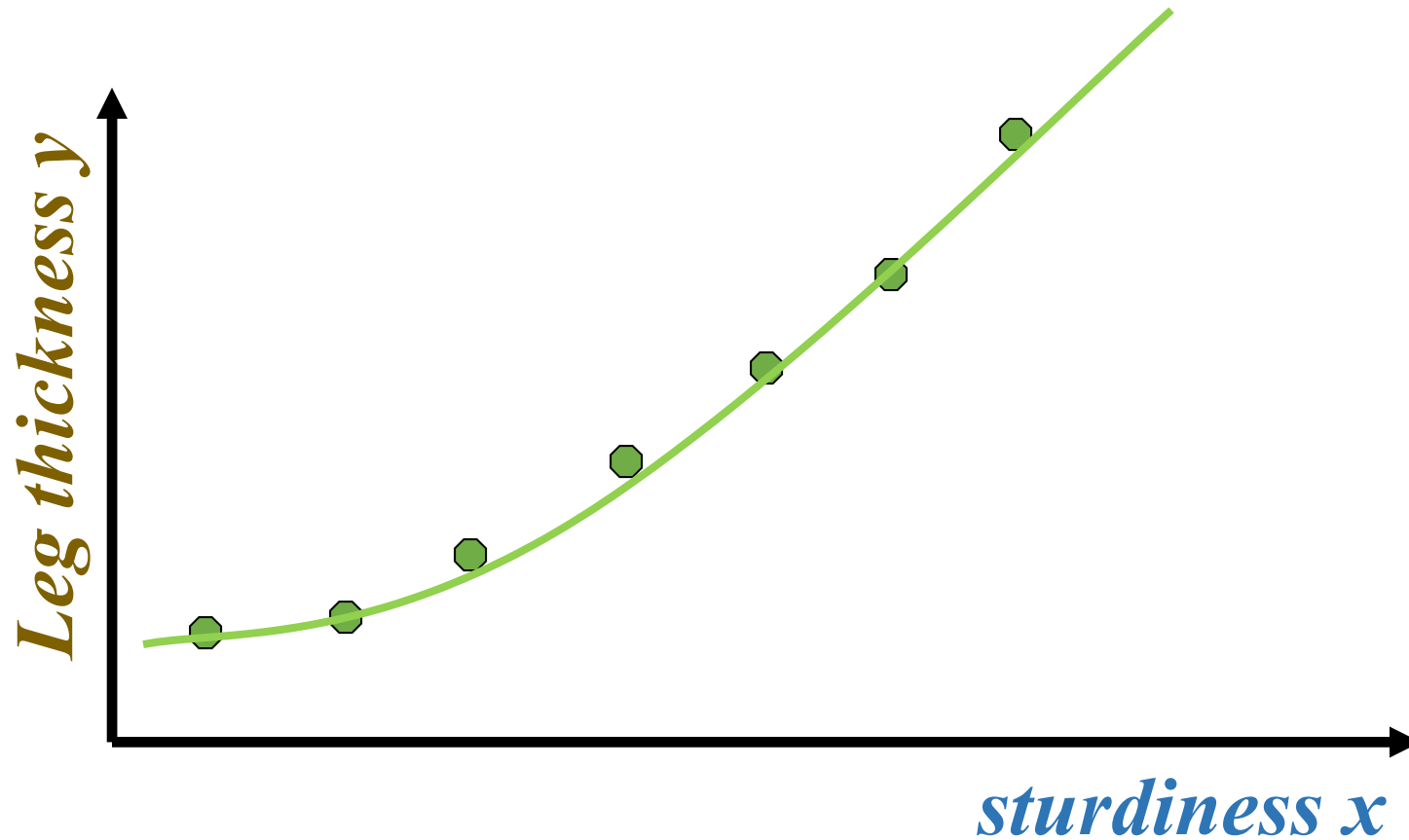
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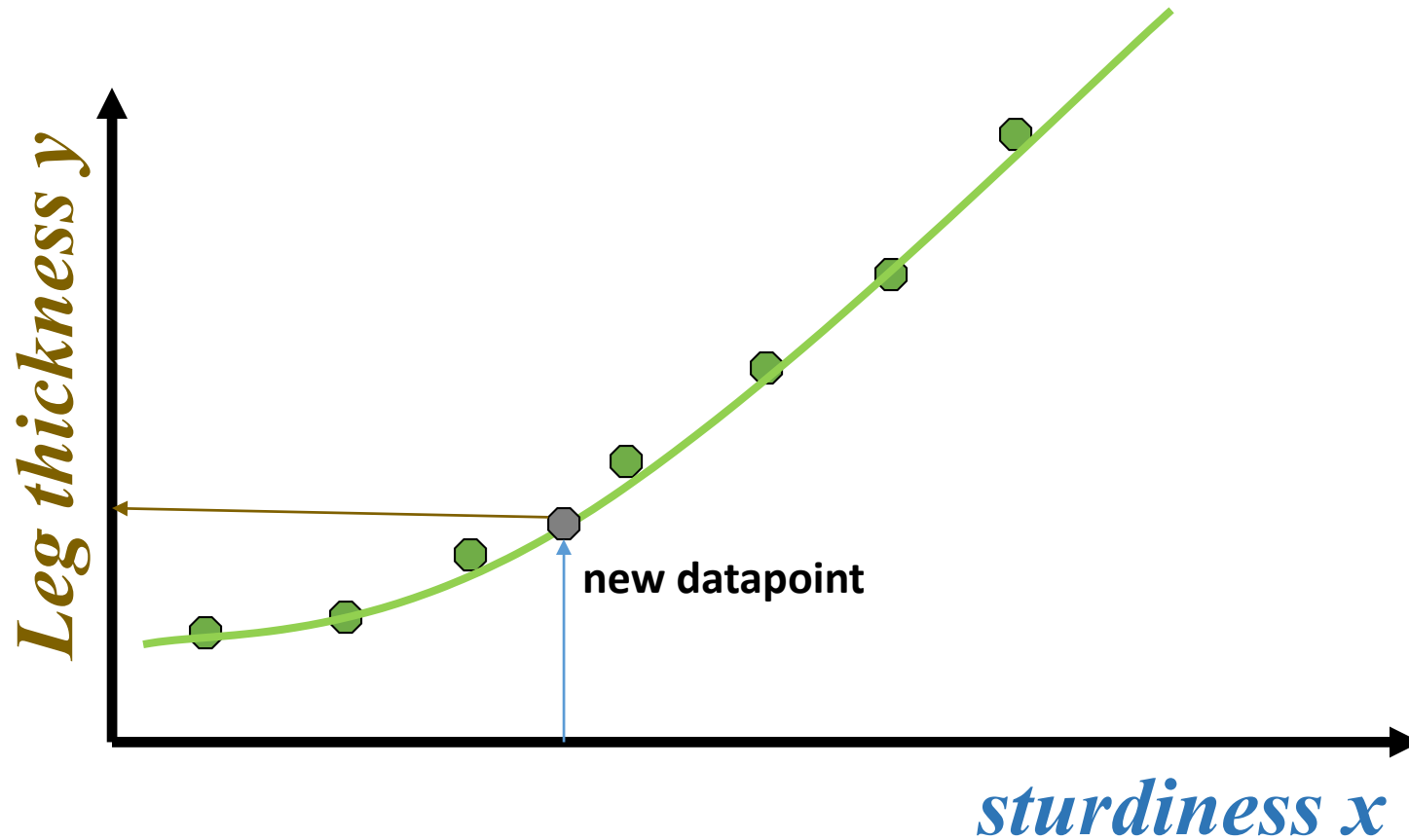
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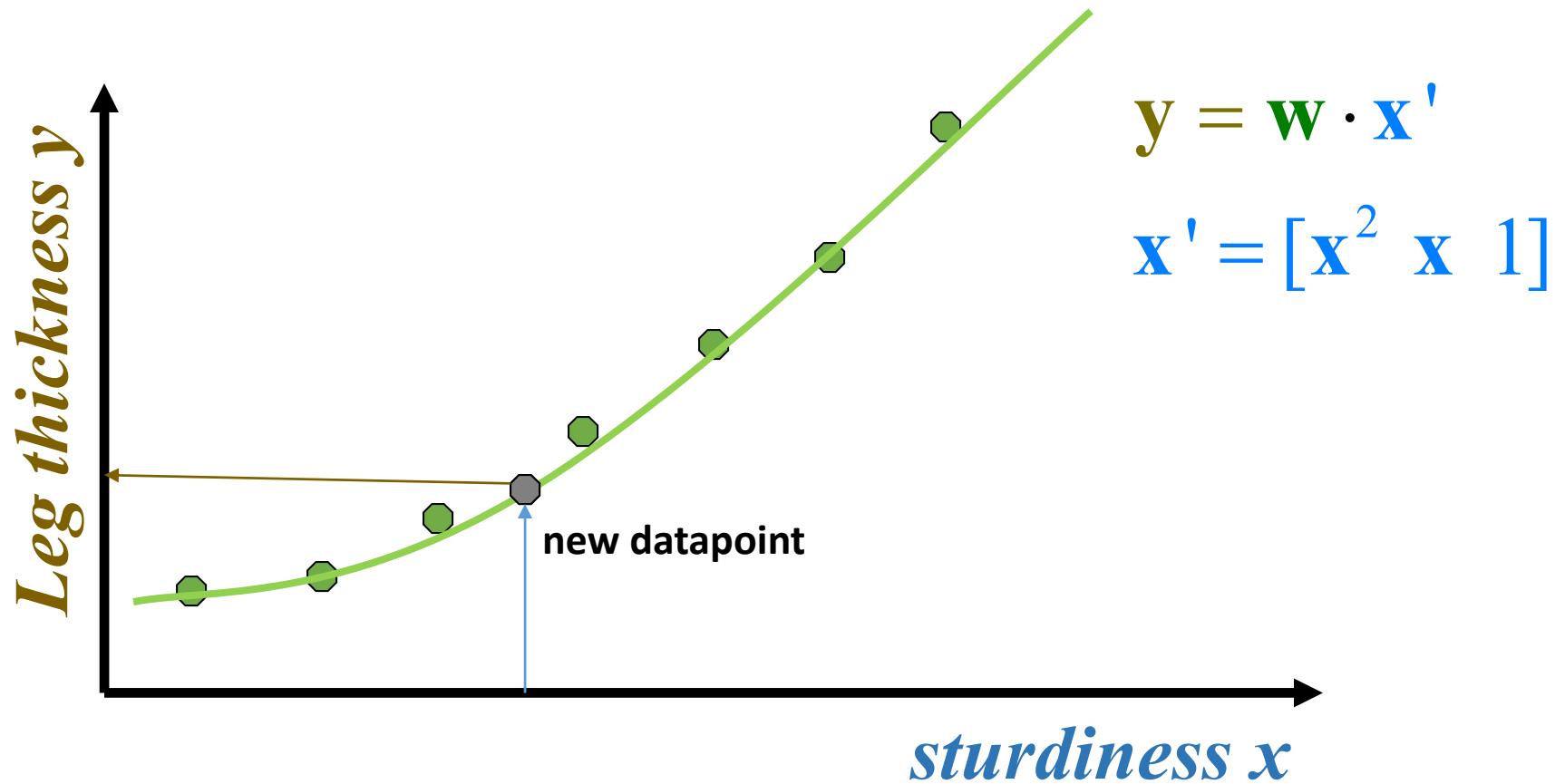
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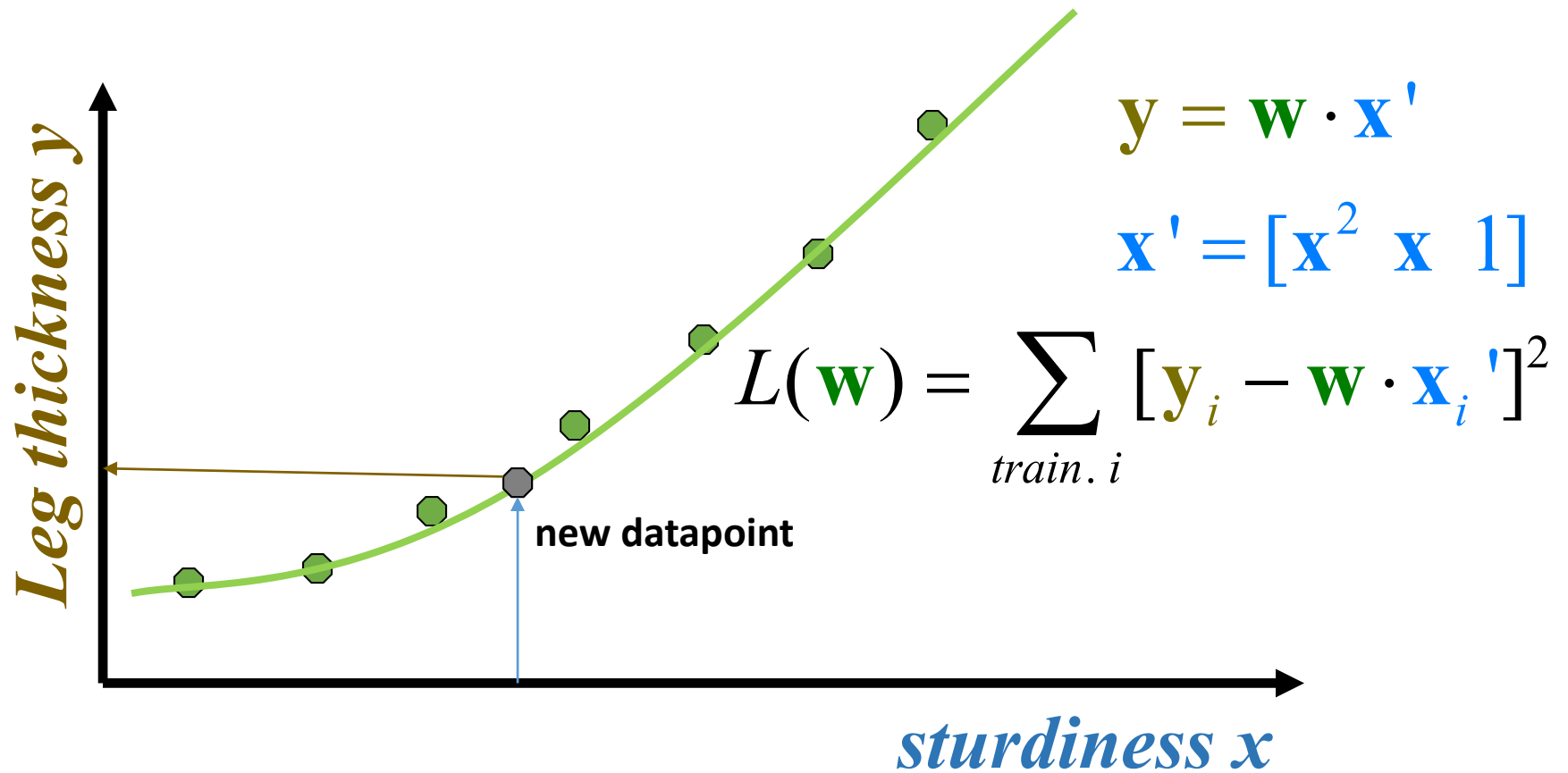
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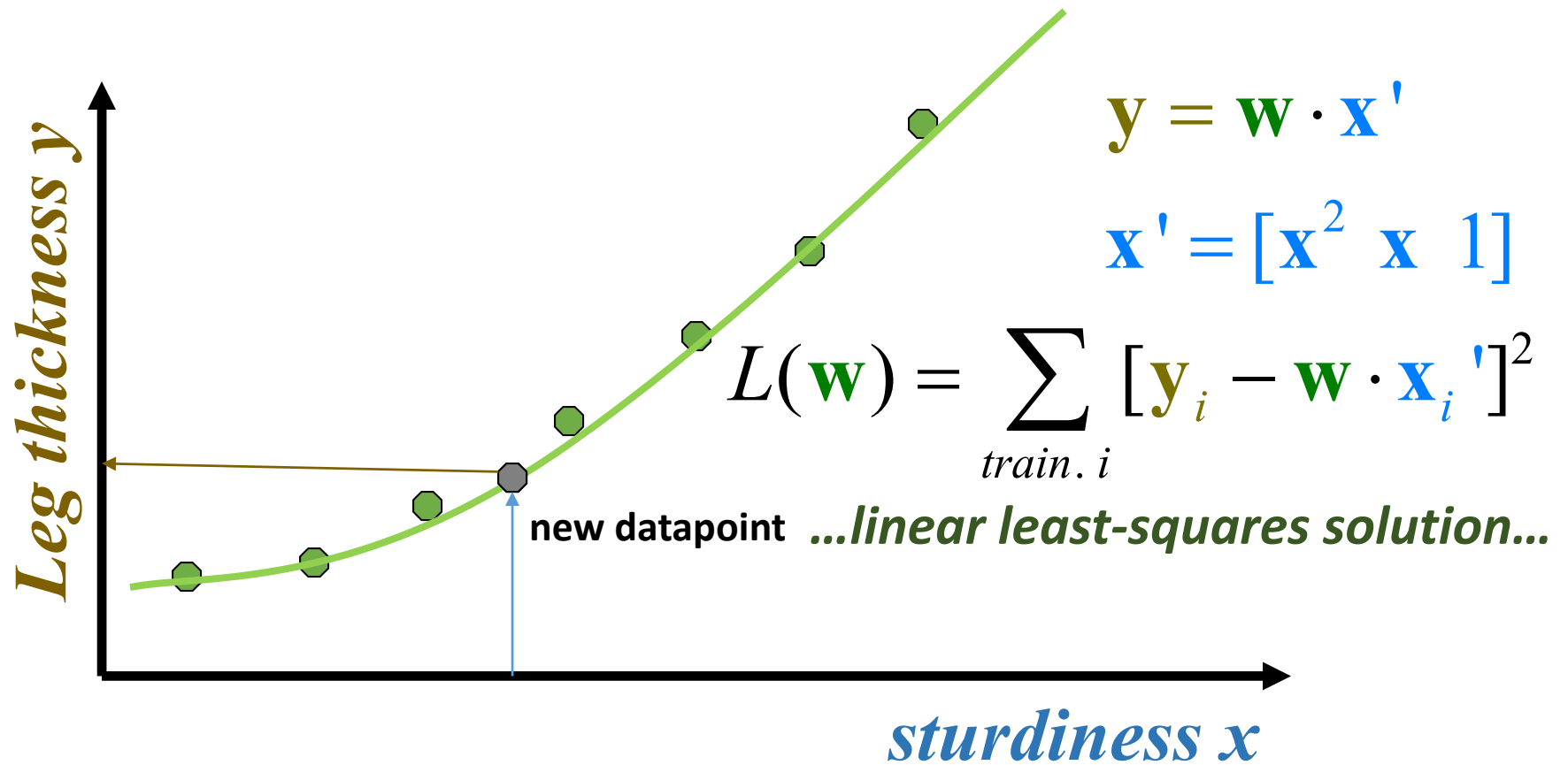


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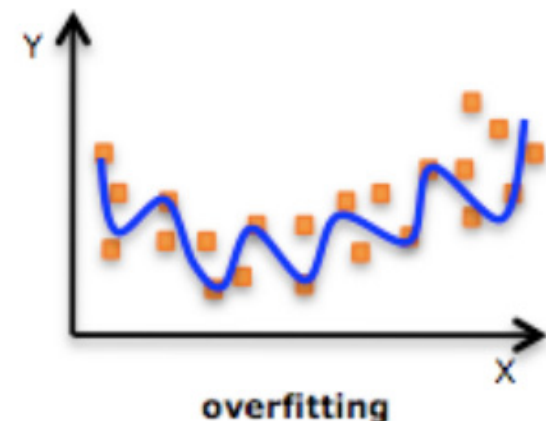
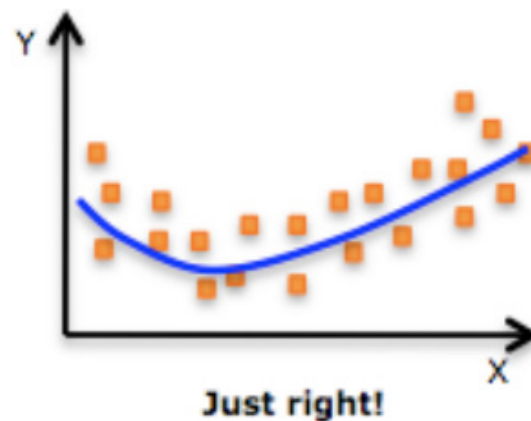
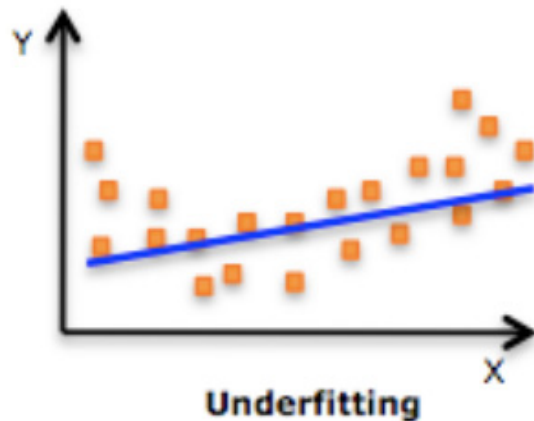
# Learning basics: regression



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# Overfitting

Important to select a function that would **avoid overfitting & generalize** (produce reasonable outputs for inputs not encountered during training)



*image from Andrew Ng's ML class*

# Learning basics: Logistic Regression

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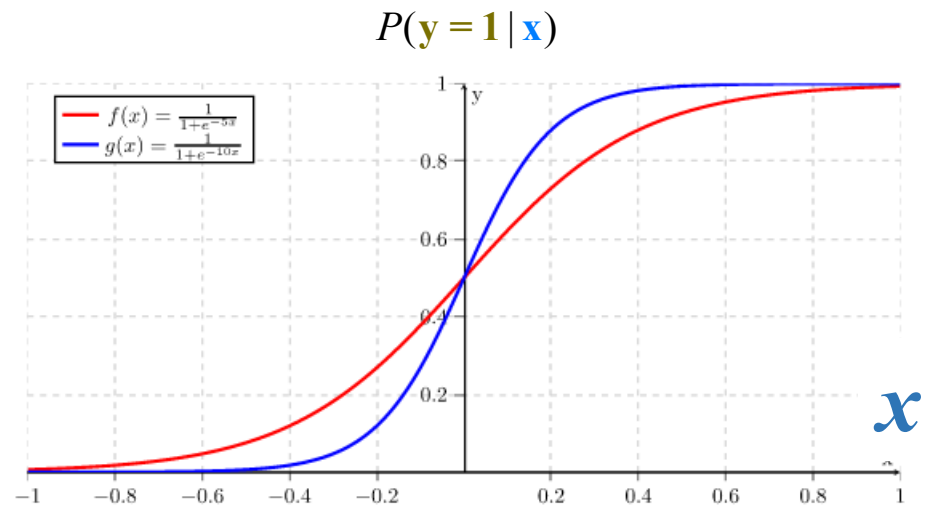
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Classification function:

$$P(\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{1} \mid \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

where  $\mathbf{w}$  is a **weight vector**

$$\sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x})}$$



# Logistic regression: training

Need to estimate parameters  $\mathbf{w}$  from training data e.g., shapes of objects  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and given labels  $\mathbf{y}_i$  (mugs/no mugs) ( $i=1 \dots N$  training shapes)

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$$\max_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{y} = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}_i)^{[\mathbf{y}_i == 1]} [1 - P(\mathbf{y} = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}_i)]^{[\mathbf{y}_i == 0]}$$



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This is called **log-likelihood**

$$\max_w \sum_{i=1}^N [y_i = 1] \log \sigma(w \cdot x_i) + [y_i = 0] \log(1 - \sigma(w \cdot x_i))$$

**$L(w)$**

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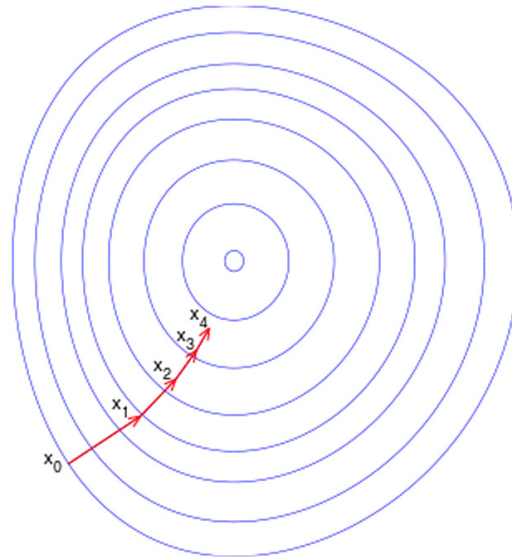
We have an **optimization problem**.

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^N [y_i = 1] \log \sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + [y_i = 0] \log(1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i))$$

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_d} = \sum_i x_{i,d} [y_i - \sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i)]$$

(partial derivative for  $d^{\text{th}}$  parameter)

How can we minimize/maximize a function?



**Gradient descent:** Given a random initialization of parameters and a step rate  $\eta$ , update them according to:

$$\mathbf{w}_{new} = \mathbf{w}_{old} - \eta \nabla L(\mathbf{w})$$

See also **quasi-Newton** and **IRLS** methods



# Regularization

## Overfitting:

few training data vs large number of parameters!

Penalize large weights:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} -L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \sum_d w_d^2$$

Called **ridge regression (or L2 regularization)**

# Regularization

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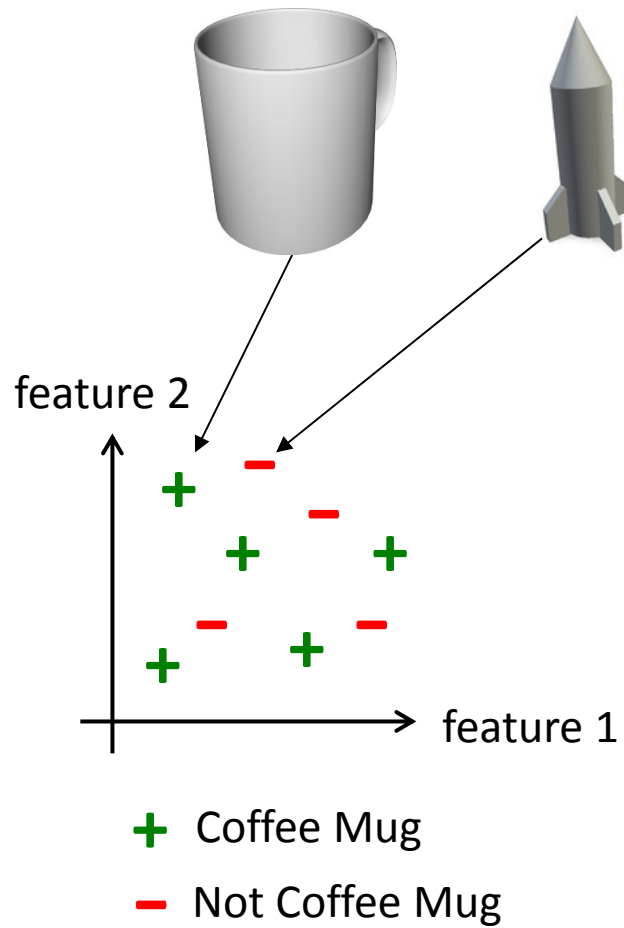
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Penalize non-zero weights - push as many as possible to **0**:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} -L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \sum_d |w_d|$$

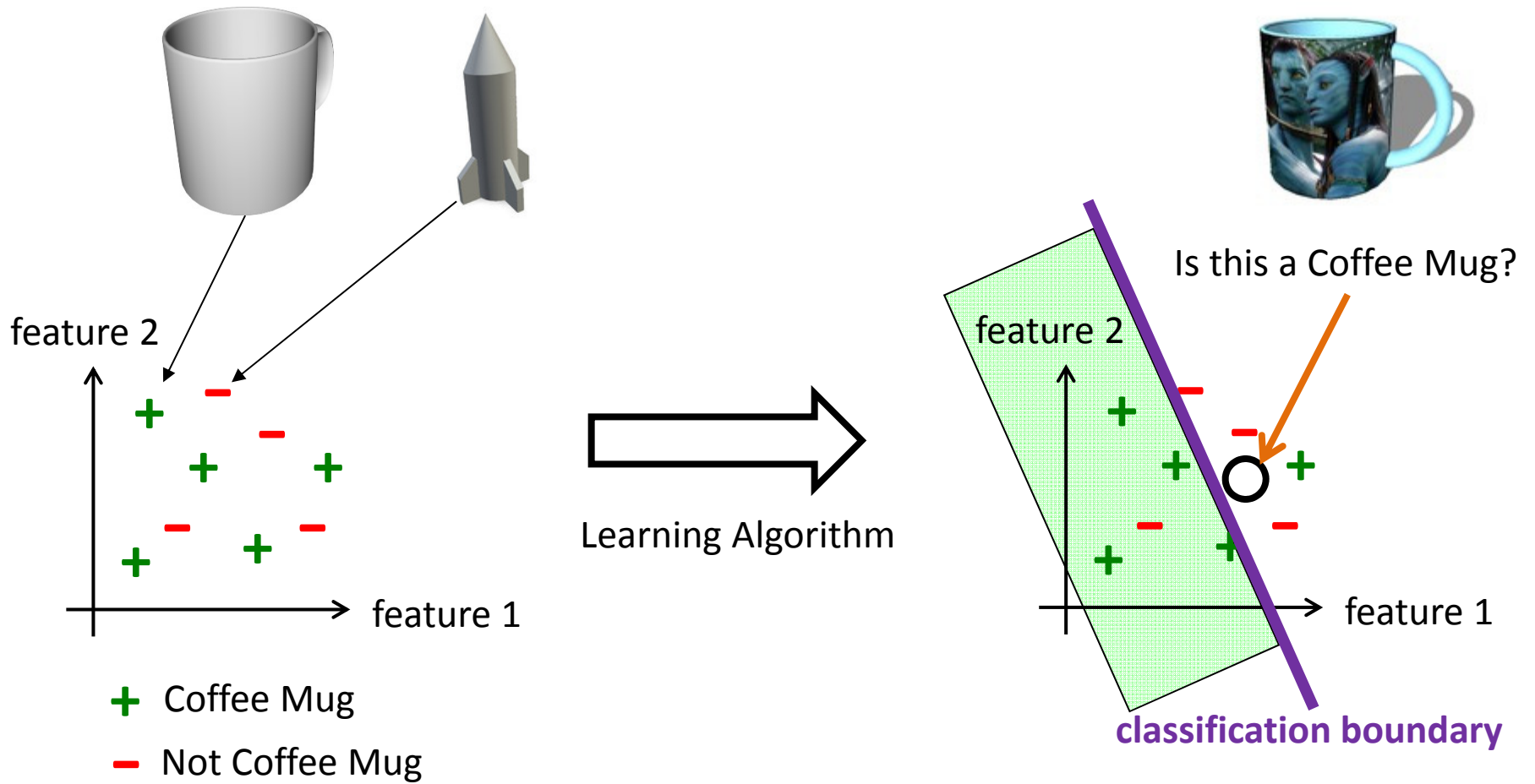
Called **Lasso (or L1 regularization)**

# The importance of choosing good features...



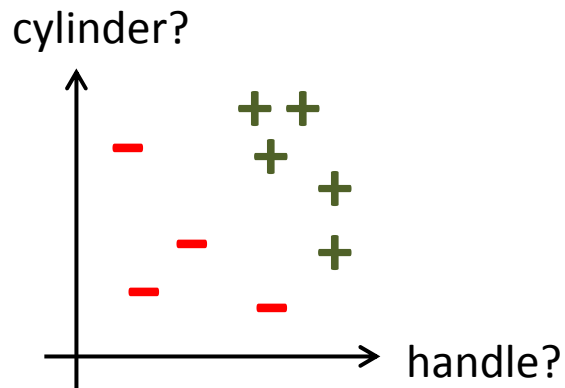
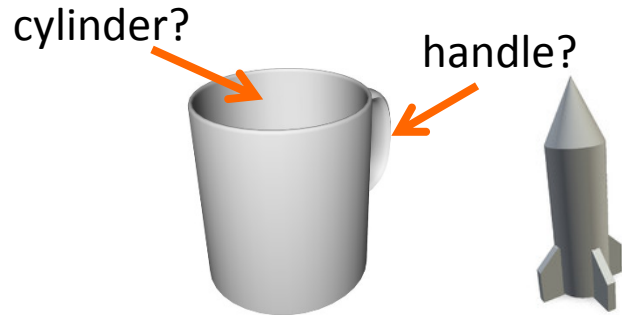
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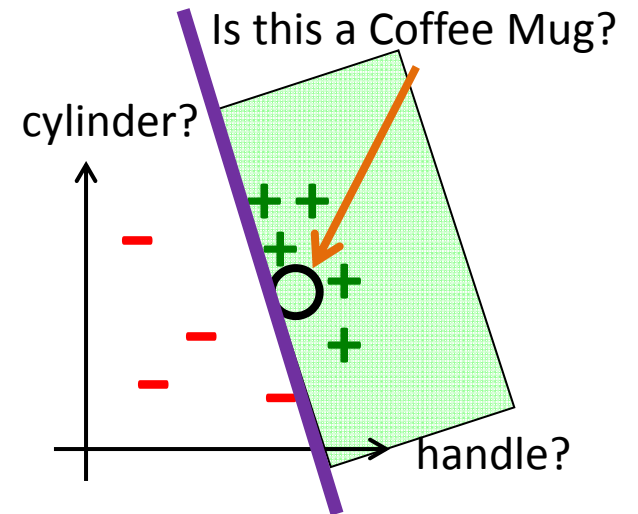


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# The importance of choosing good features...



Learning Algorithm

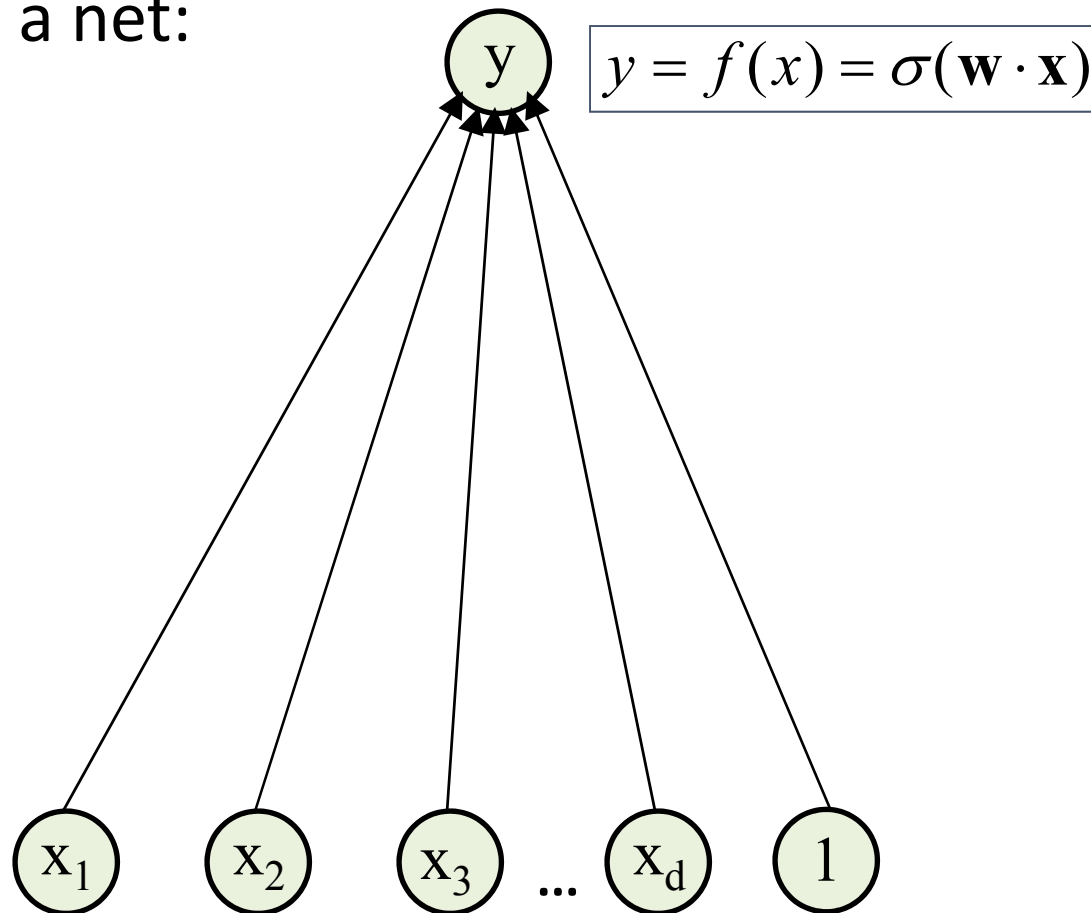


- + Coffee Mug
- Not Coffee Mug

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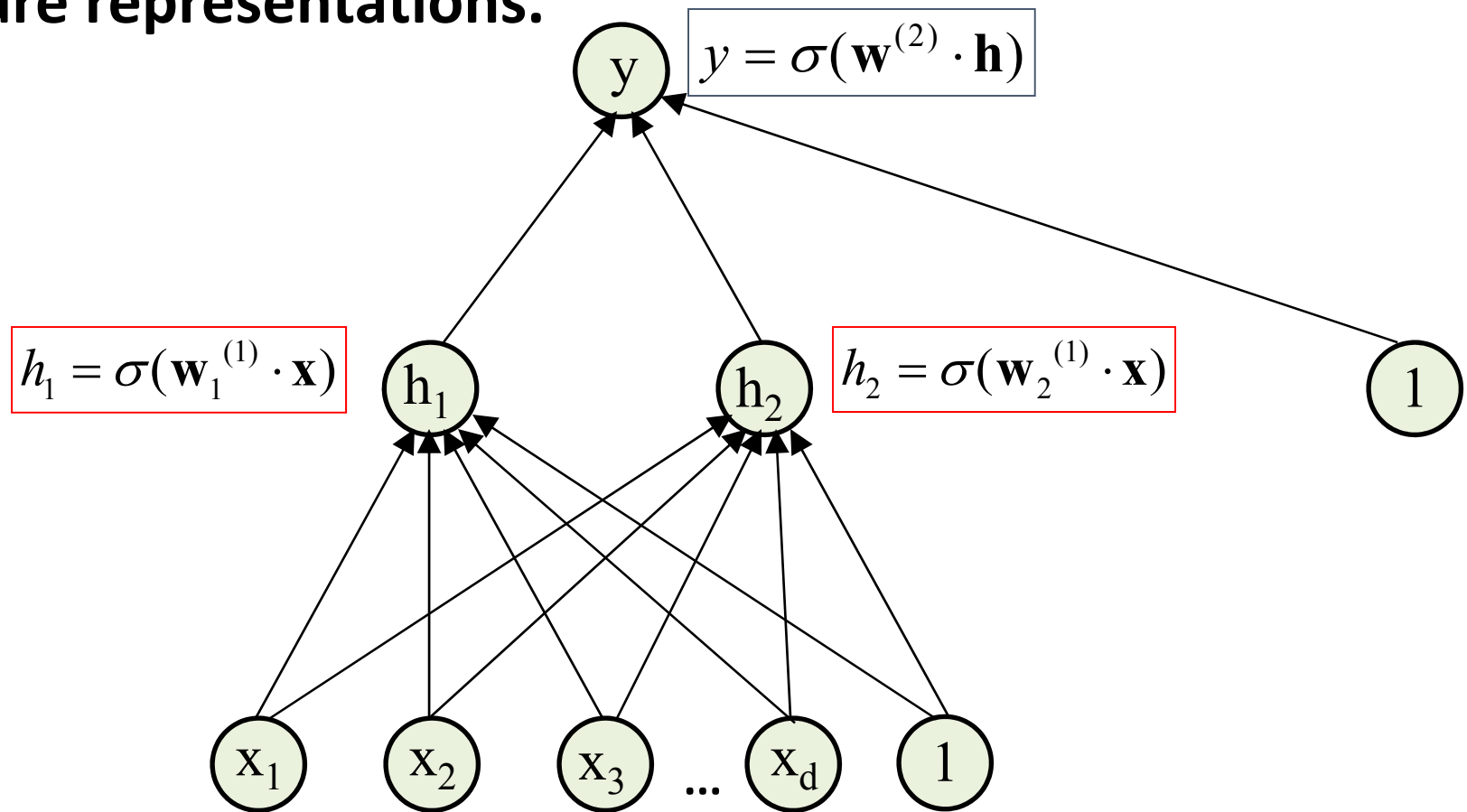
# From “shallow” to “deep” mappings

Logistic regression: output is a **direct function of inputs**.  
Think of it as a net:



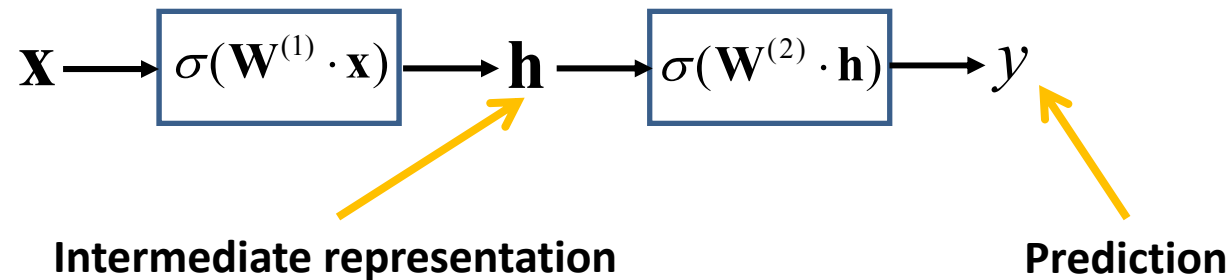
# Neural network

Introduce latent nodes that play the role of **learned feature representations**.



# Neural network

Same as logistic regression but now our output function has **multiple stages** ("layers", "modules").



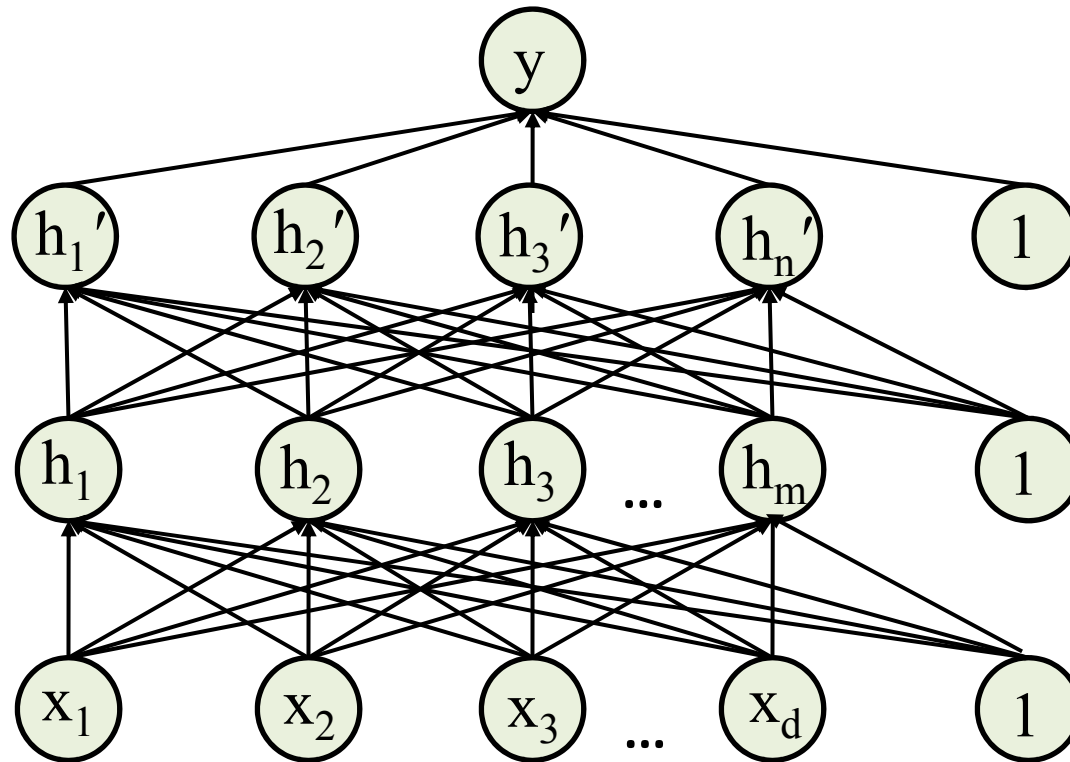
$$\text{where } \mathbf{W}^{(\cdot)} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w}_1^{(\cdot)} \\ \mathbf{w}_2^{(\cdot)} \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{w}_m^{(\cdot)} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Neural network

**Stack up several layers:**



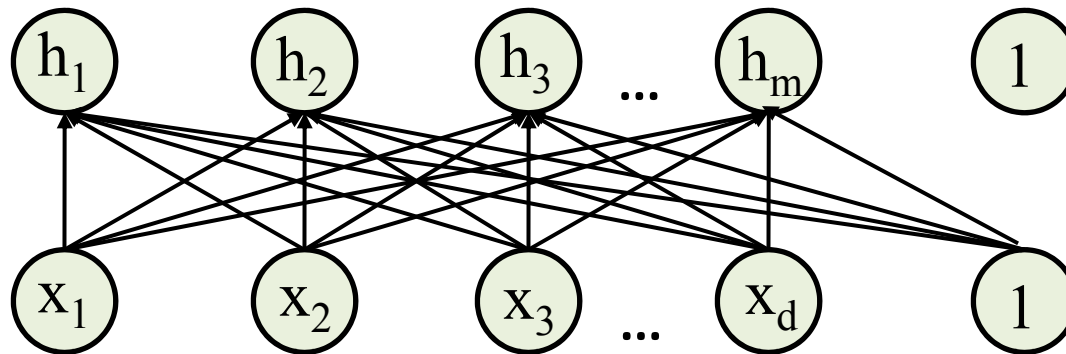
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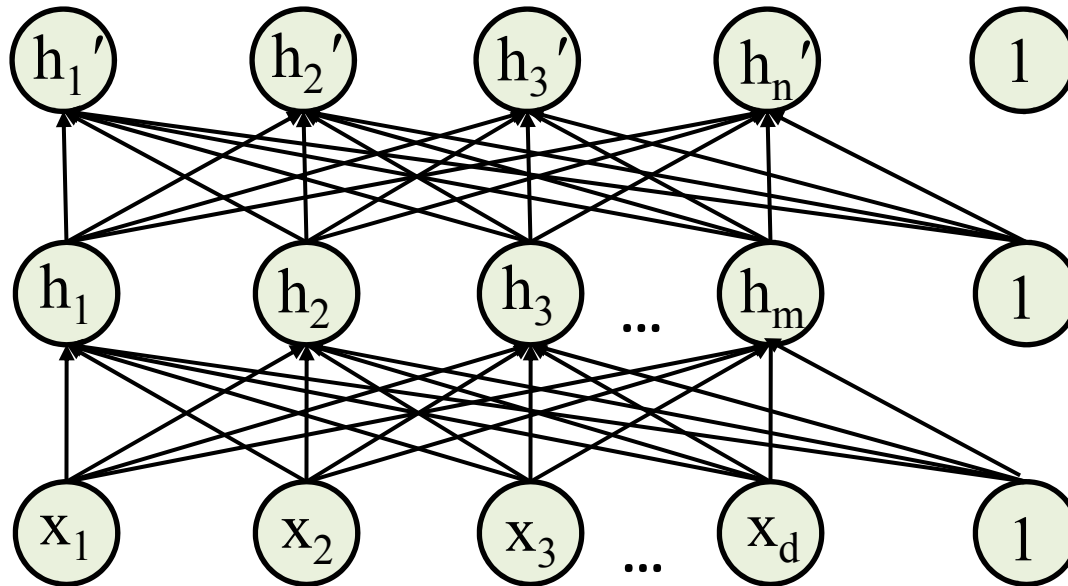
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$$\mathbf{x} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(1)} \cdot \mathbf{x}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{h}$$

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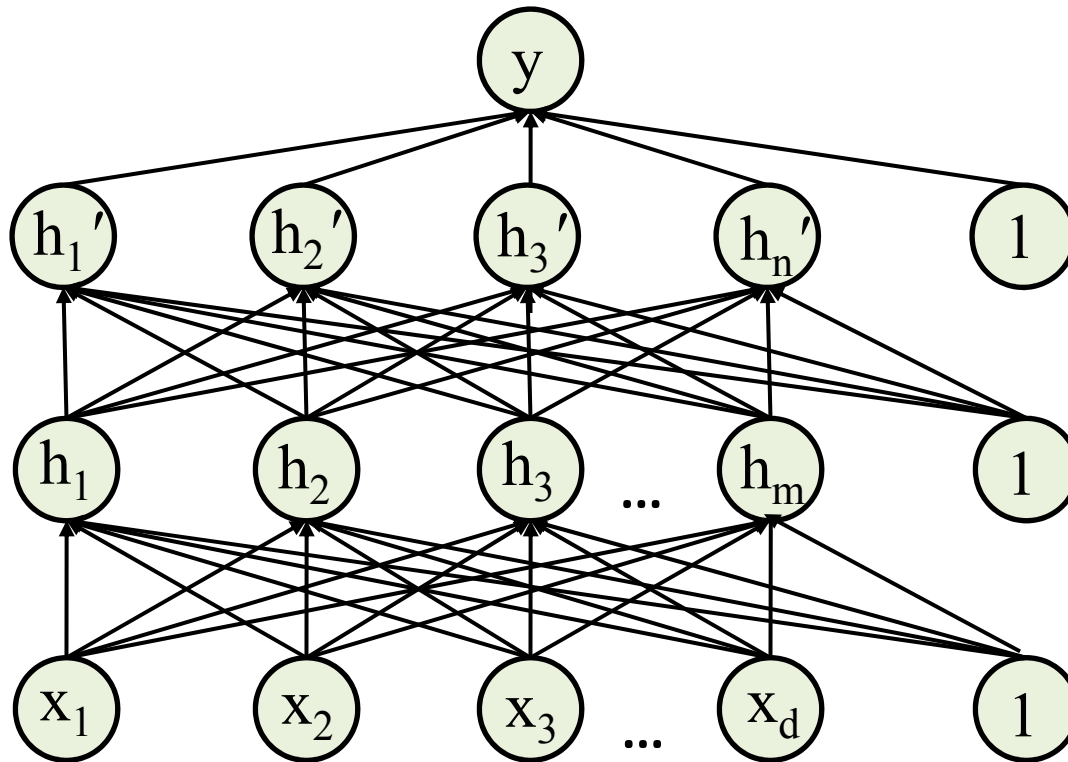
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$$\mathbf{x} \longrightarrow \boxed{\sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(1)} \cdot \mathbf{x})} \longrightarrow \mathbf{h} \longrightarrow \boxed{\sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(2)} \cdot \mathbf{h})} \longrightarrow \mathbf{h}'$$

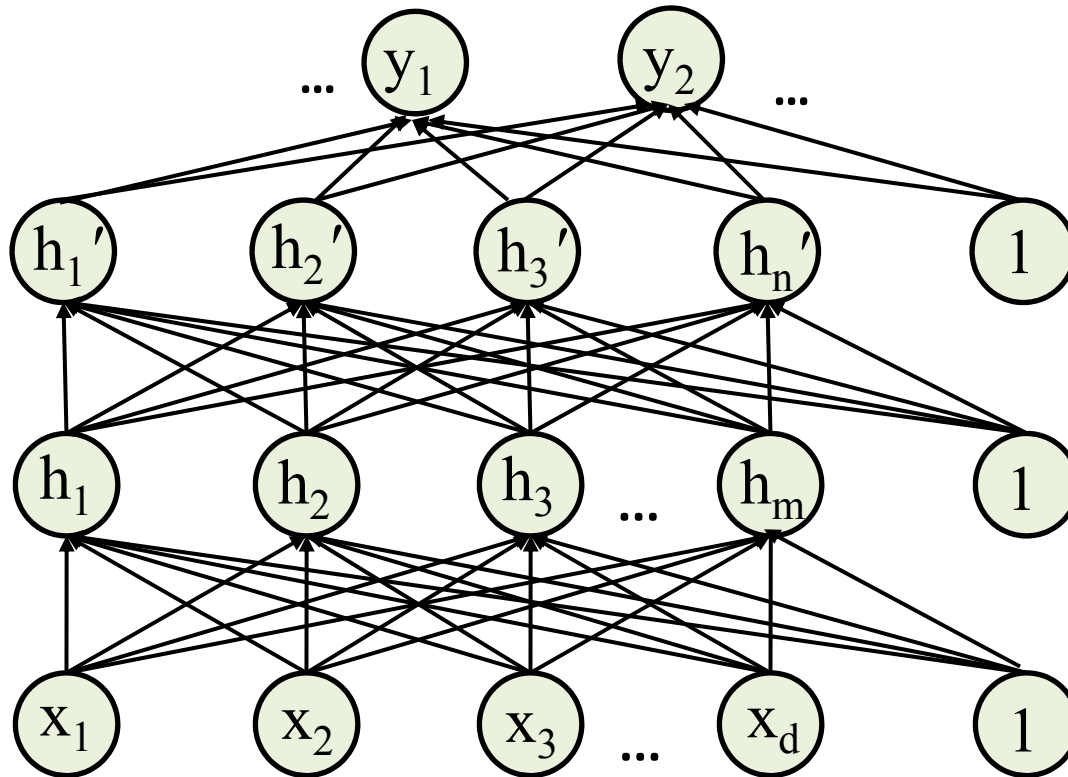
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# Multiple outputs



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# How can we learn the parameters?

Use a loss function e.g., for classification:

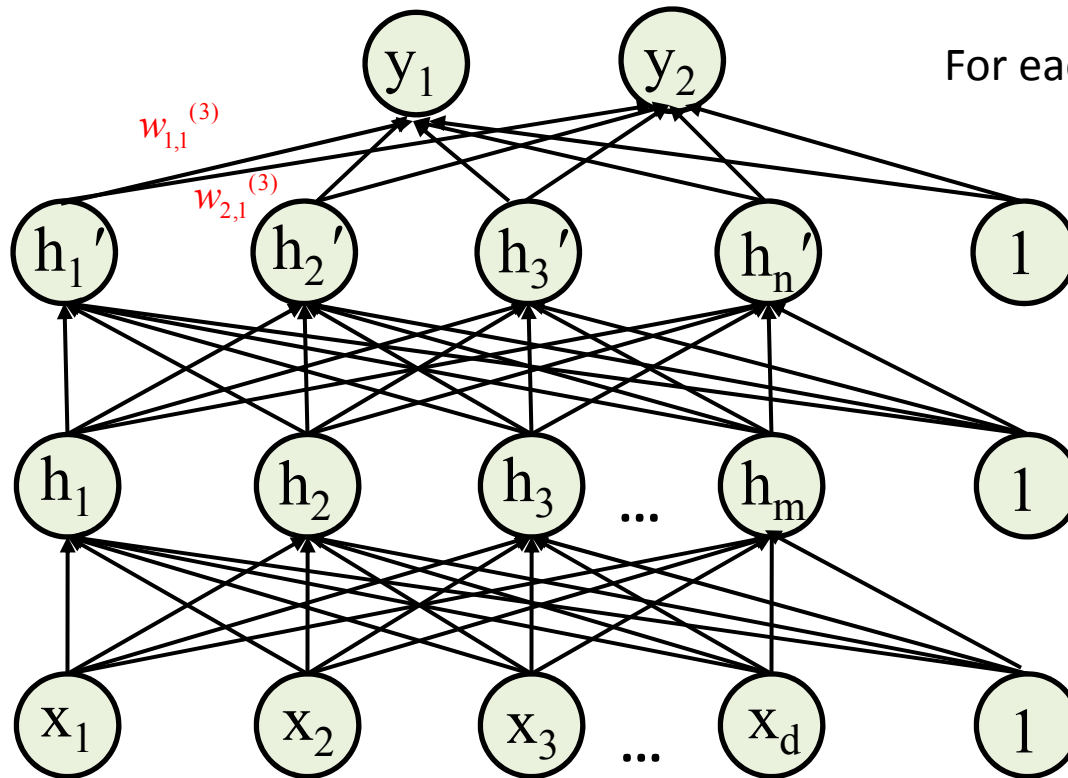
$$L(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_i \sum_{\text{output } t} [\mathbf{y}_{i,t} == 1] \log f_t(\mathbf{x}_i) + [\mathbf{y}_{i,t} == 0] \log(1 - f_t(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

In case of regression i.e., for predicting continuous outputs:

$$L(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_i \sum_{\text{output } t} [\mathbf{y}_{i,t} - f_t(\mathbf{x}_i)]^2$$

# Backpropagation

For each training example  $i$ :



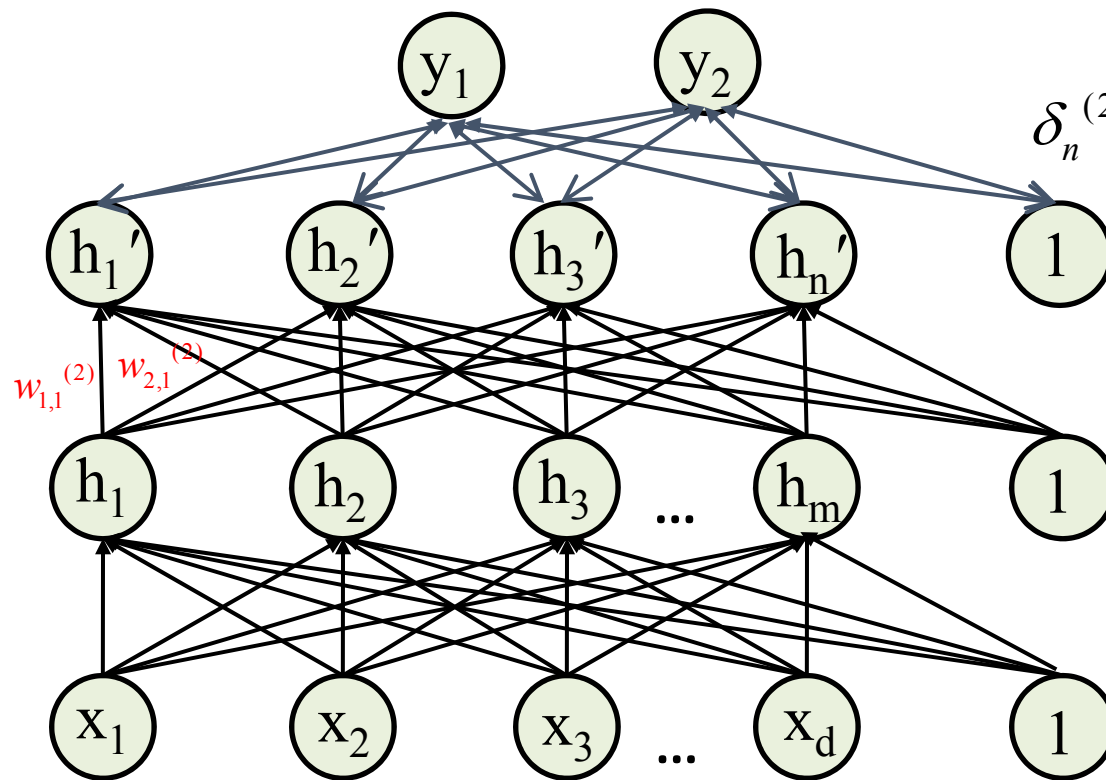
For each output:

$$\delta_t^{(3)} = f_t(\mathbf{x}) - y_t$$

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_{t,n}^{(3)}} = \delta_t^{(3)} h_n$$



# Backpropagation

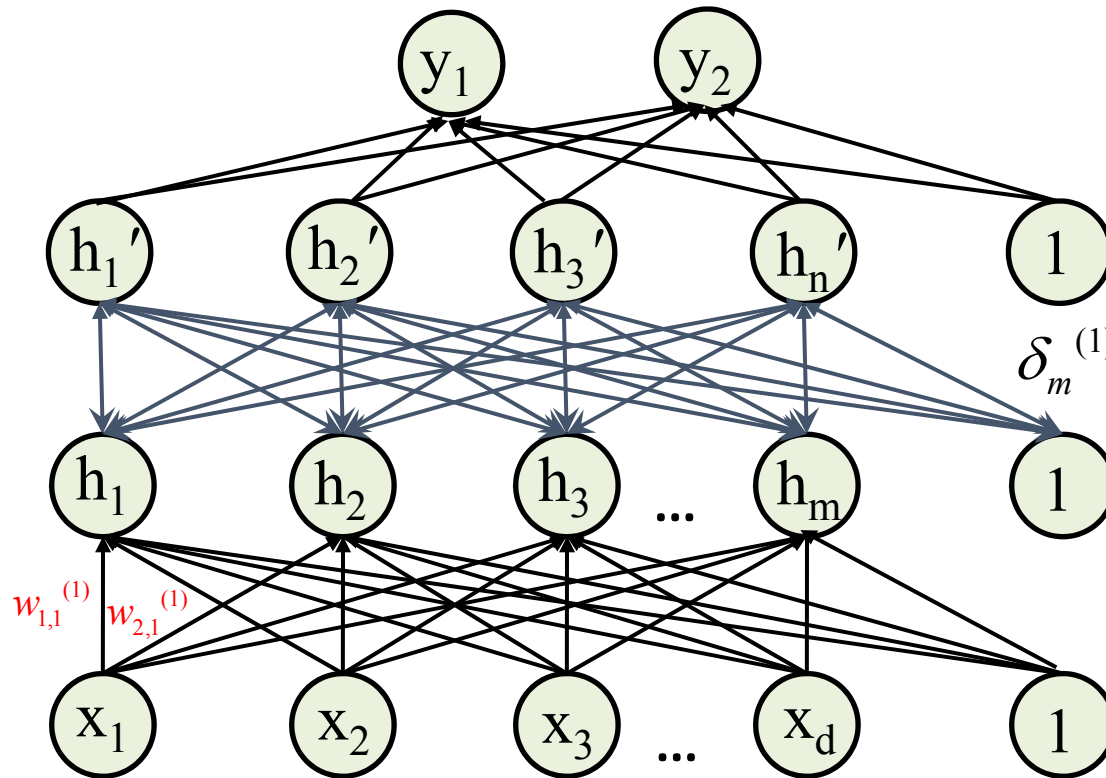


$$\delta_n^{(2)} = \sigma'(\mathbf{w}_n^{(2)} \cdot \mathbf{h}) \sum_t w_{t,n}^{(3)} \delta_t^{(3)}$$

Note:  $\sigma'(\cdot) = \sigma(\cdot)[1 - \sigma(\cdot)]$

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_{n,m}^{(2)}} = \delta_n^{(2)} h_m$$

# Backpropagation



$$\delta_m^{(1)} = \sigma'(\mathbf{w}_m^{(1)} \cdot \mathbf{x}) \sum_n w_{n,m}^{(2)} \delta_n^{(2)}$$

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_{m,d}^{(1)}} = \delta_m^{(1)} x_d$$

# Is this magic?

All these are derivatives derived analytically using the **chain rule!**

Gradient descent is expressed through **backpropagation of messages  $\delta$**  following the structure of the model

# Training algorithm

**For each training example [in a batch]**

1. **Forward propagation** to compute outputs per layer
2. **Back propagate** messages  $\delta$  from top to bottom layer
3. Multiply messages  $\delta$  with inputs to compute **derivatives per layer**
4. **Accumulate the derivatives** from that training example

**Apply the gradient descent rule**

Yet, this does not work so easily...

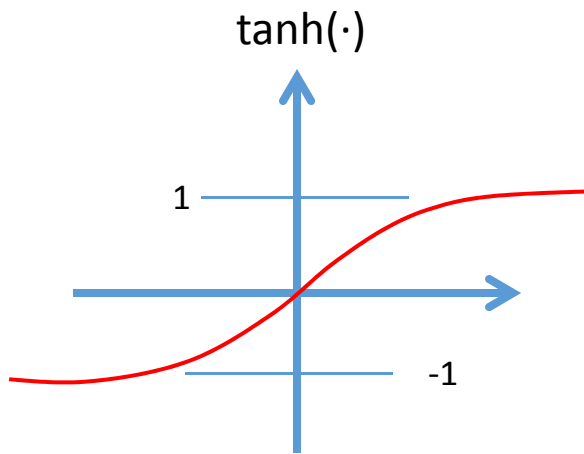


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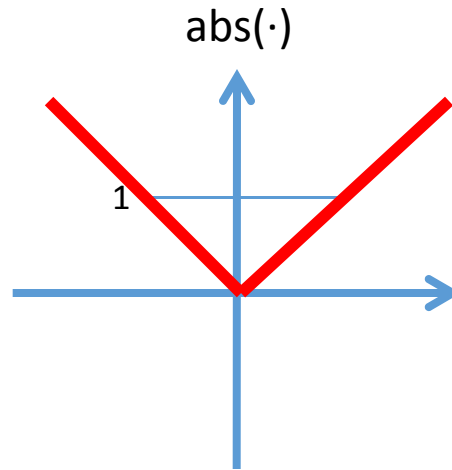
- **Non-convex:** Local minima; convergence criteria.
- Optimization becomes difficult with **many layers**.
- Hard to diagnose and **debug malfunctions**.
- **Many things turn out to matter:**
  - Choice of nonlinearities.
  - Initialization of parameters.
  - Optimizer parameters: step size, schedule.

# Non-linearities

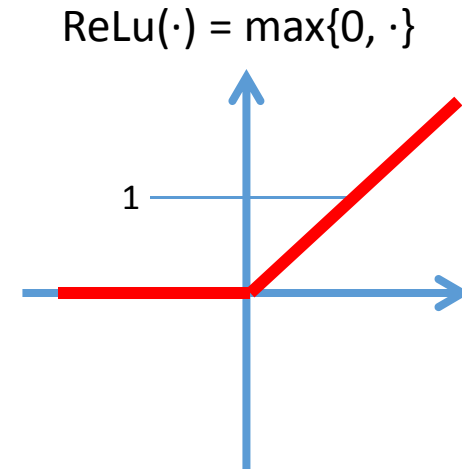
- **Choice of functions inside network matters.**
  - Sigmoid function yields highly non-convex loss functions
  - Some other choices often used:



$$\tanh'(\cdot) = 1 - \tanh(\cdot)^2$$



$$\text{abs}'(\cdot) = \text{sign}(\cdot)$$



$$\text{ReLu}'(\cdot) = [\cdot > 0]$$

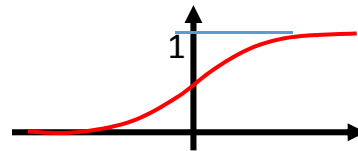
“Rectified Linear Unit”

→ Most popular.

[Nair & Hinton, 2010]

# Initialization

- **Usually small random values.**
  - Try to choose so that typical input to a neuron avoids saturating



- **Initialization schemes for weights used as input to a node:**
  - tanh units: Uniform[-r, r]; sigmoid: Uniform[-4r, 4r].
  - See [[Glorot et al., AISTATS 2010](#)]

$$r = \sqrt{6 / (\text{fan-in} + \text{fan-out})}$$



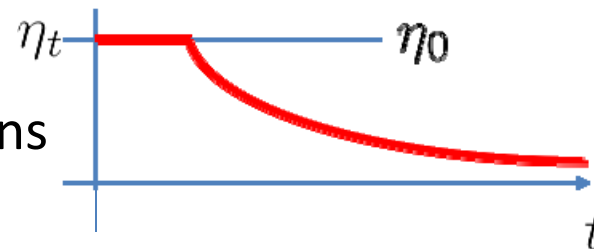
# Step size

- **Fixed step-size**

- try many, choose the best...
- pick size with least test error on a validation set after T iterations

- **Dynamic step size**

- decrease after T iterations



- if simply the objective is not decreasing much, cut step by half

# Momentum

Modify stochastic/batch gradient descent:

$$\text{Before : } \Delta \mathbf{w} = \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}), \quad w = w - \Delta \mathbf{w}$$

$$\text{With momentum : } \Delta \mathbf{w} = \mu \Delta \mathbf{w}_{previous} + \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}), \quad w = w - \Delta \mathbf{w}$$

“Smooth” estimate of gradient from several steps of gradient descent:

- High-curvature directions cancel out, low-curvature directions “add up” and accelerate.
- **Other techniques: Adagrad, Adadelta, batch normalization...**

# Momentum+L2 regularization

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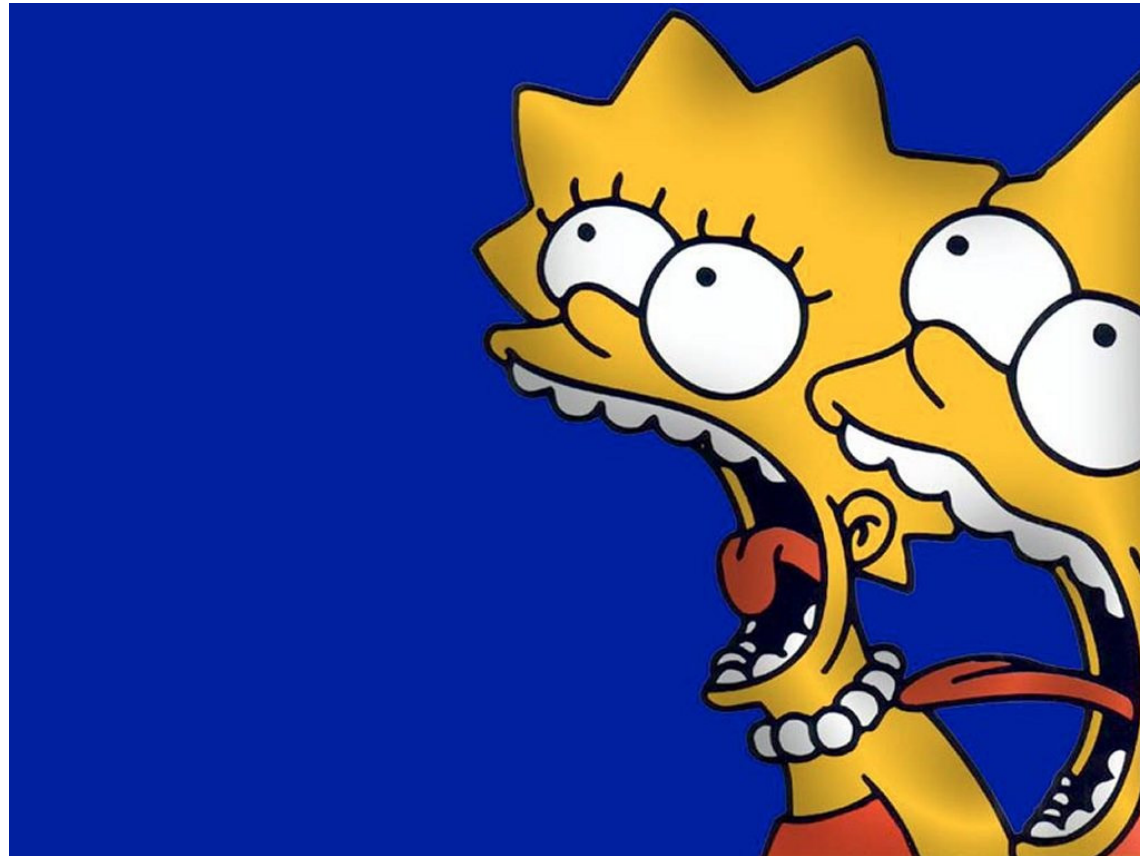
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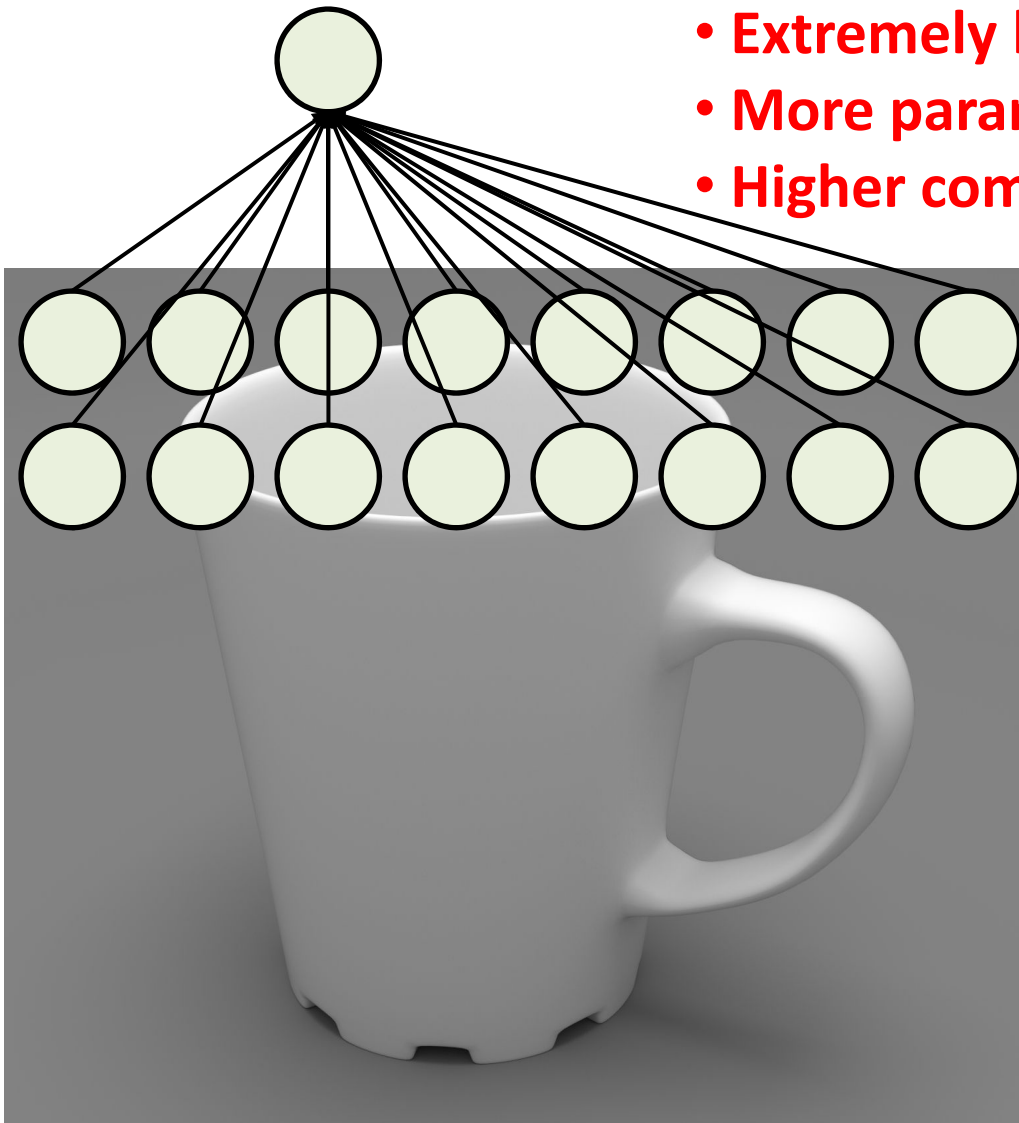
Add **L2 regularization** to the loss function:

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} (L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2)$$

Yet, things will not still work well!



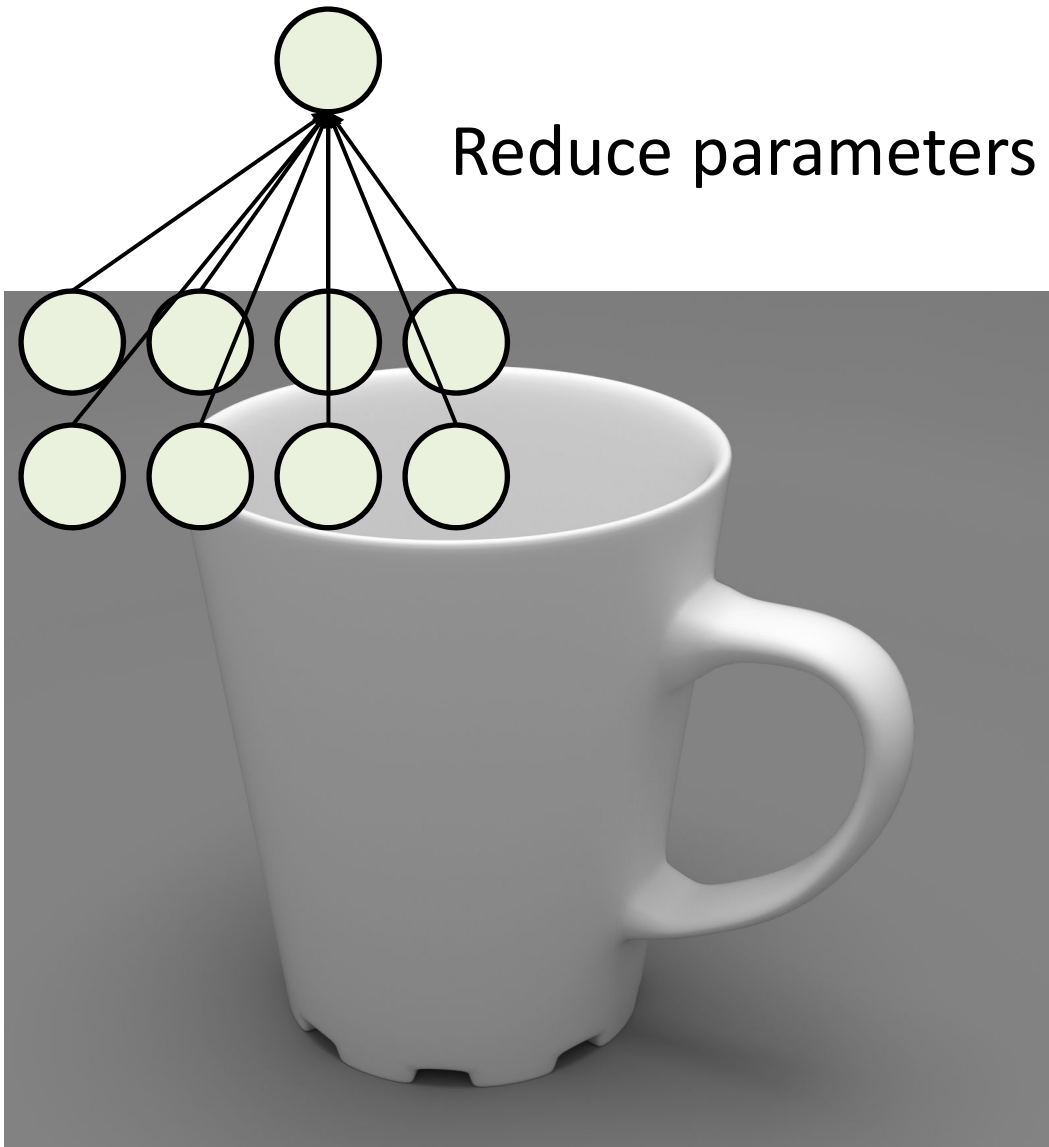
# Main problem



- **Extremely large number of connections.**
- **More parameters to train.**
- **Higher computational expense.**

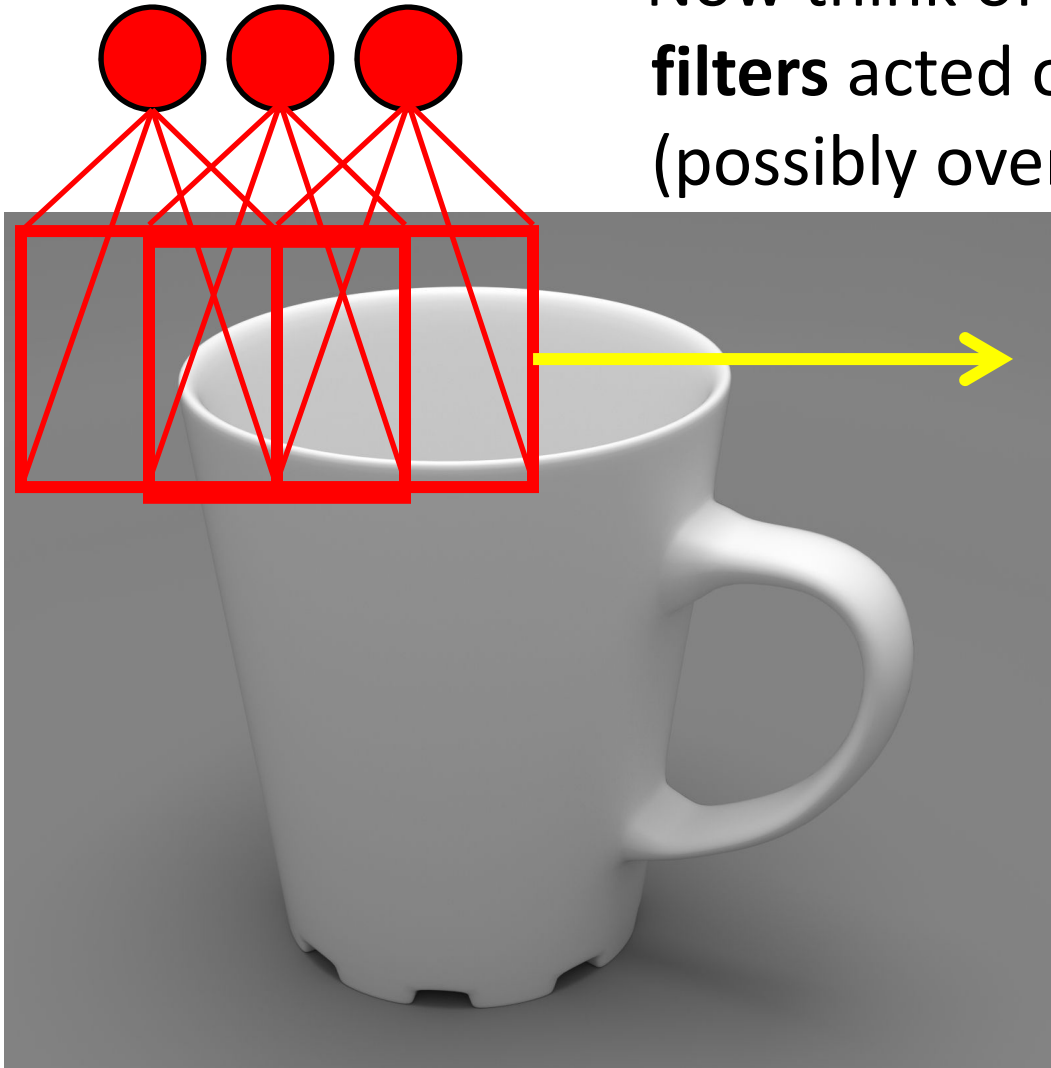
# Local connectivity

Reduce parameters with **local connections!**



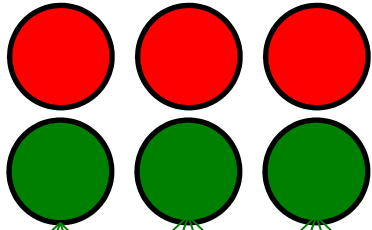
# Neurons as convolution filters

Now think of neurons as convolutional **filters** acted on small adjacent (possibly overlapping) windows



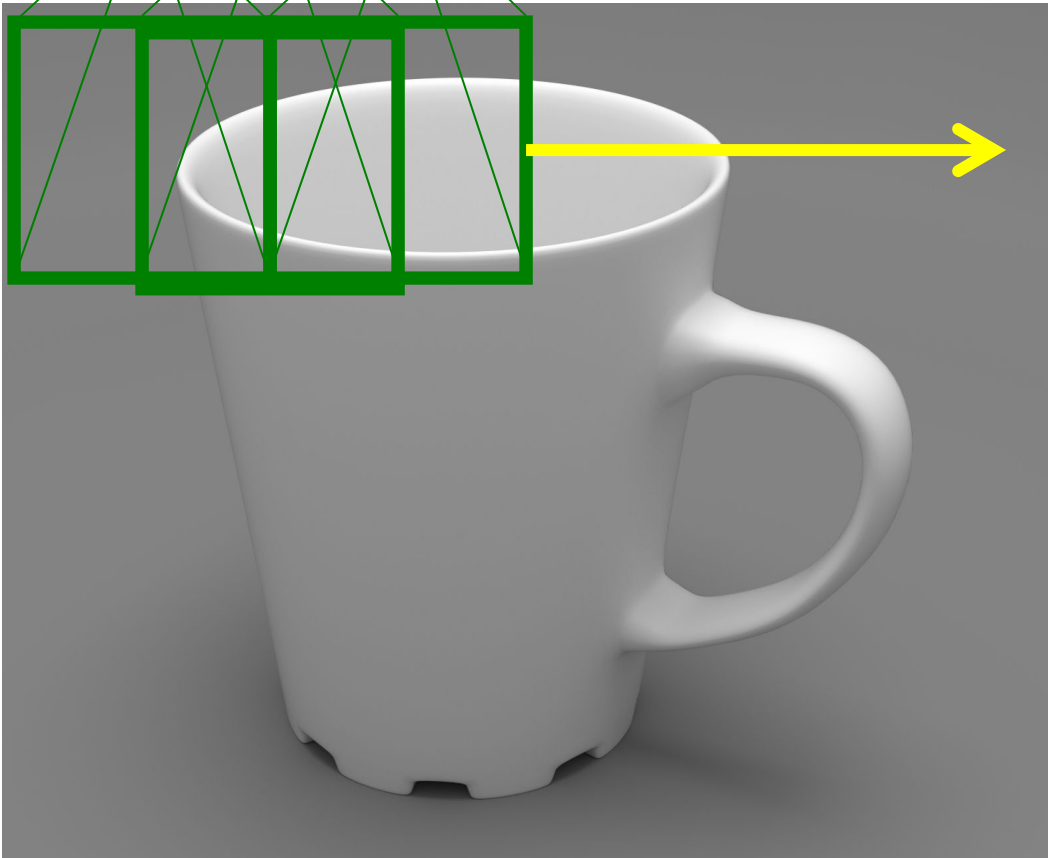
Window size is called “**receptive field**” size and spacing is called “**step**” or “**stride**”

# Can have many filters!



Response per pixel  $p$ , per filter  $f$

for a transfer function  $g$ :  $h_{p,f} = g(\mathbf{w}_f \cdot \mathbf{x}_p)$

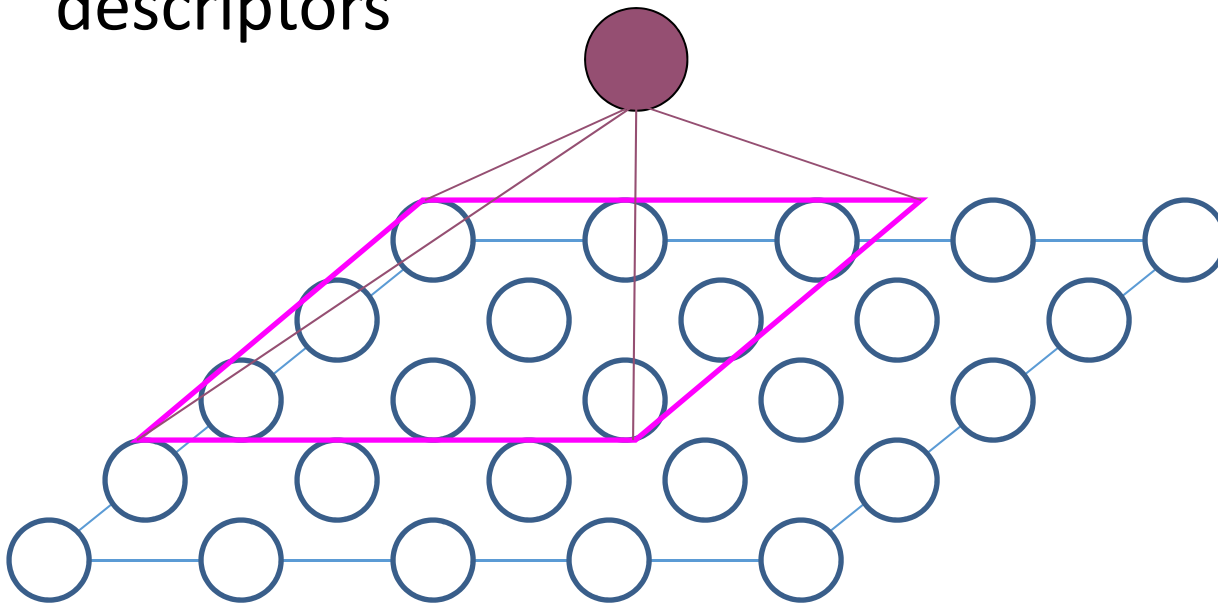


*modified slides originally  
by Adam Coates*



# Pooling

Apart from hidden layers dedicated to convolution, we can have layers dedicated to extract **locally invariant** descriptors



**Max pooling:**

$$h_{p',f} = \max_p(\mathbf{x}_p)$$

**Mean pooling:**

$$h_{p',f} = \text{avg}_p(\mathbf{x}_p)$$

**Fixed filter (e.g., Gaussian):**

$$h_{p',f} = w_{\text{gaussian}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_p$$

Progressively reduce the resolution of the image, so that the next convolutional filters are applied on larger scales

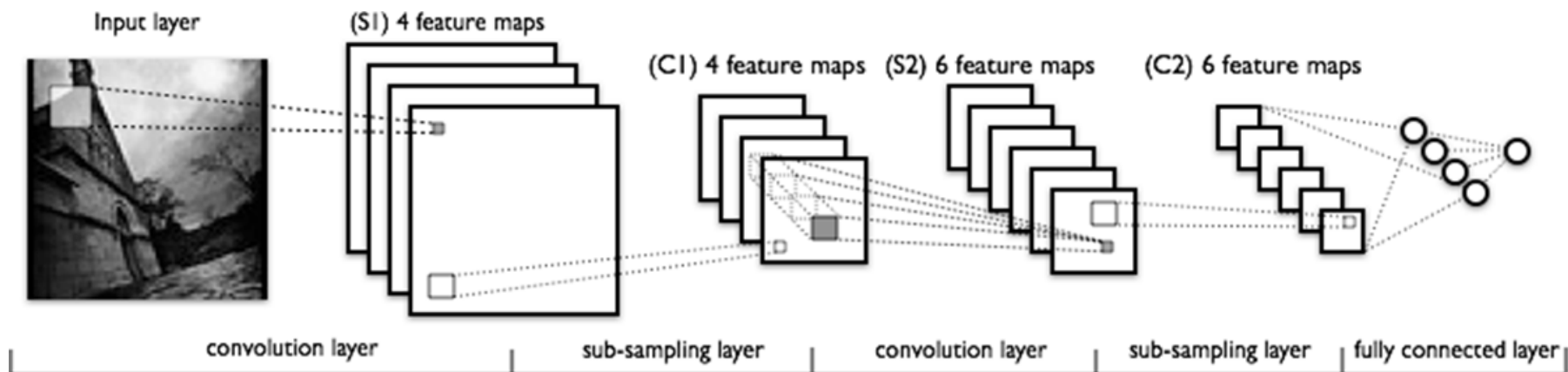
[Scherer et al., ICANN 2010]

[Boureau et al., ICML 2010]

# A mini convolutional neural network

Interchange convolutional and pooling (subsampling) layers.

In the end, **unwrap all feature maps into a single feature vector** and pass it through the classical (**fully connected**) neural network.



Source: <http://deeplearning.net/tutorial/lenet.html>

# AlexNet

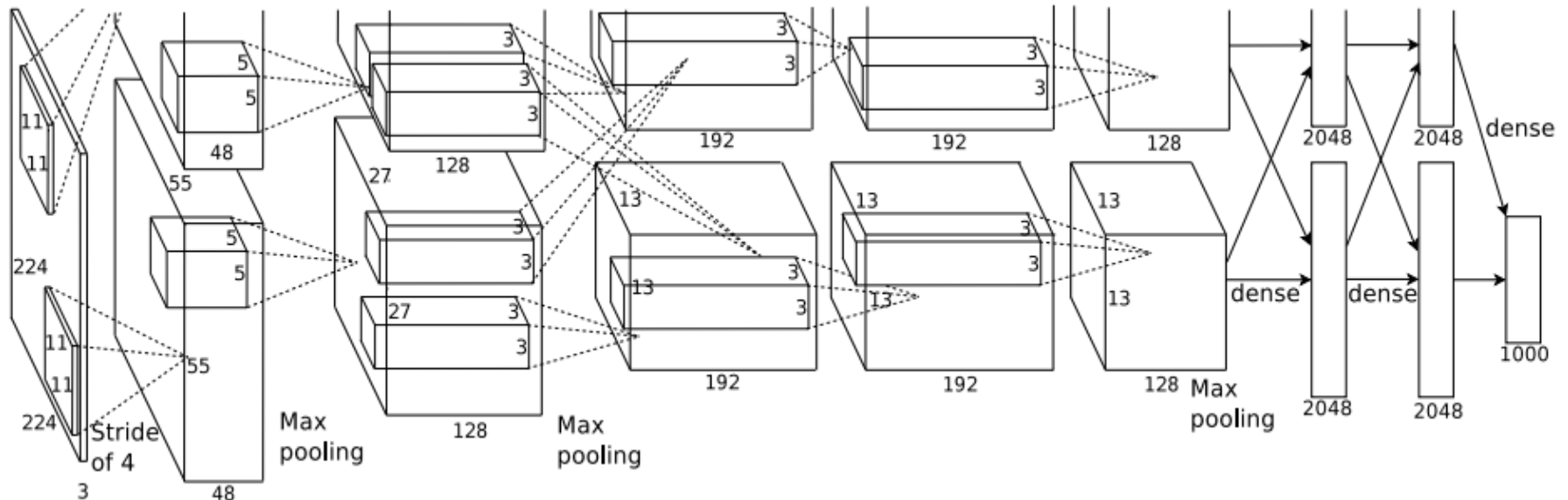
Proposed architecture from [Krizhevsky et al., NIPS 2012](#):

Convolutional layers with Rectified linear units

Max-pooling layers

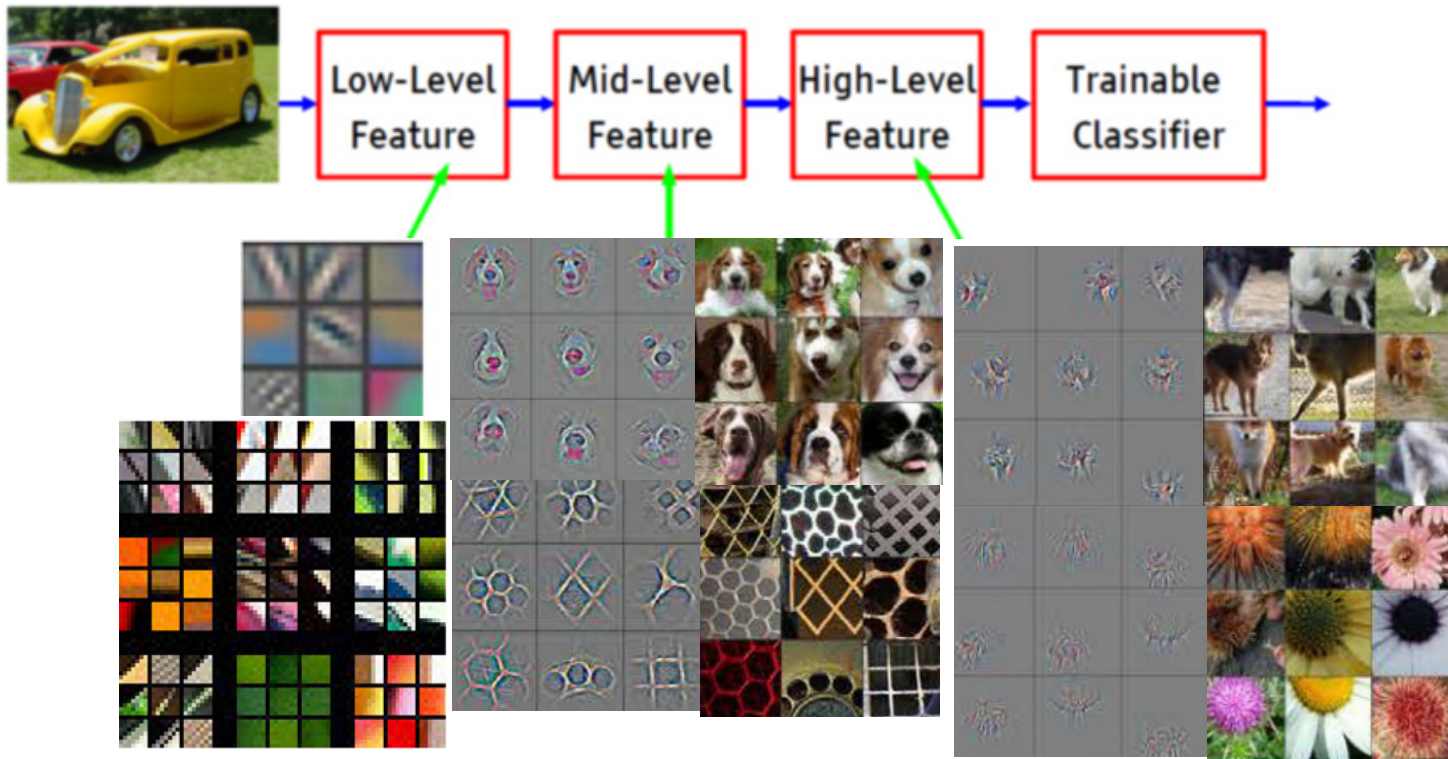
Stochastic gradient descent on GPU with momentum, L2 regularization, dropout

Applied to image classification (ImageNet competition – top runner & game changer)



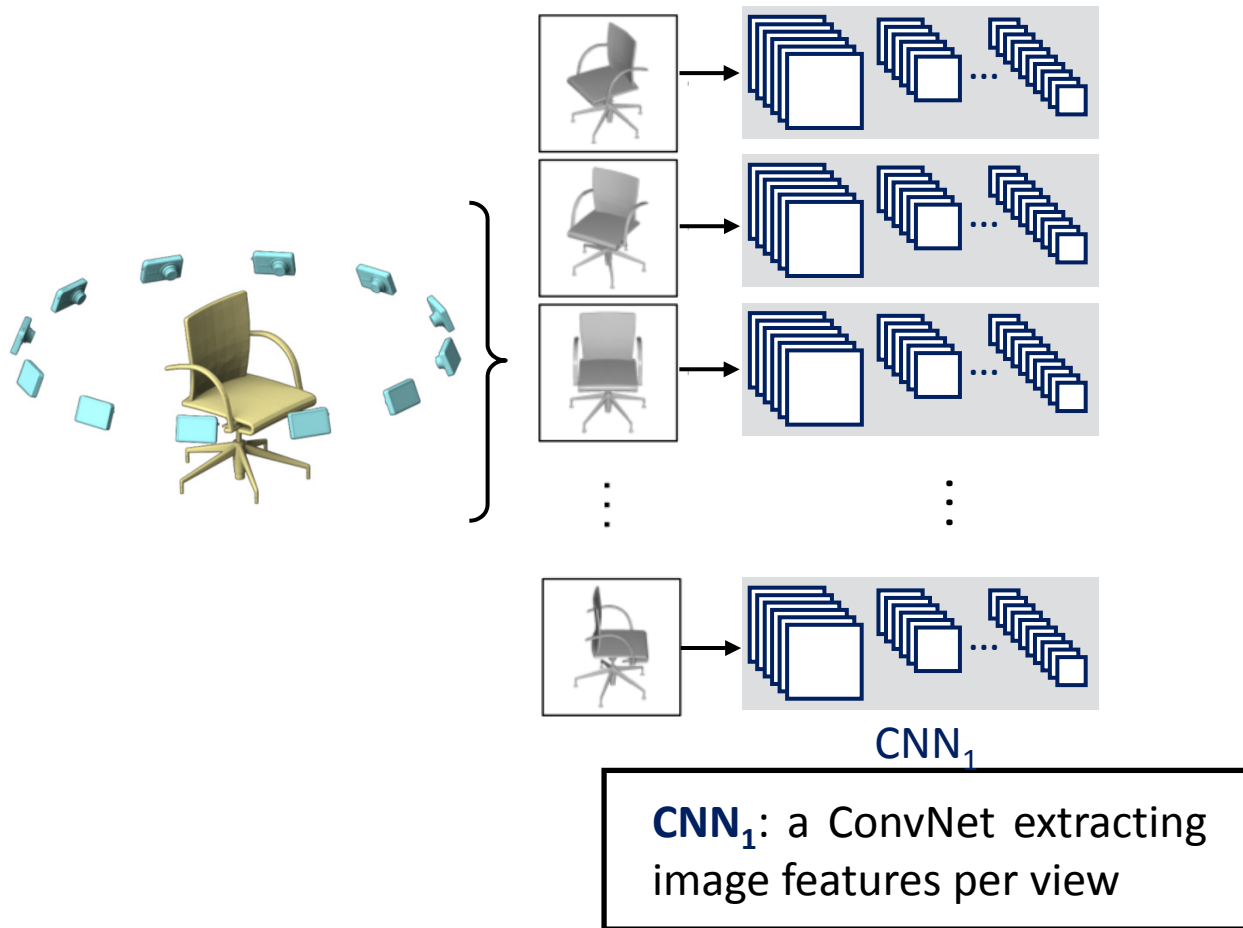
# Learned representations

Think of convolution filters as optimized **feature templates capturing various hierarchical patterns** (edges, local structures, sub-parts, parts...)



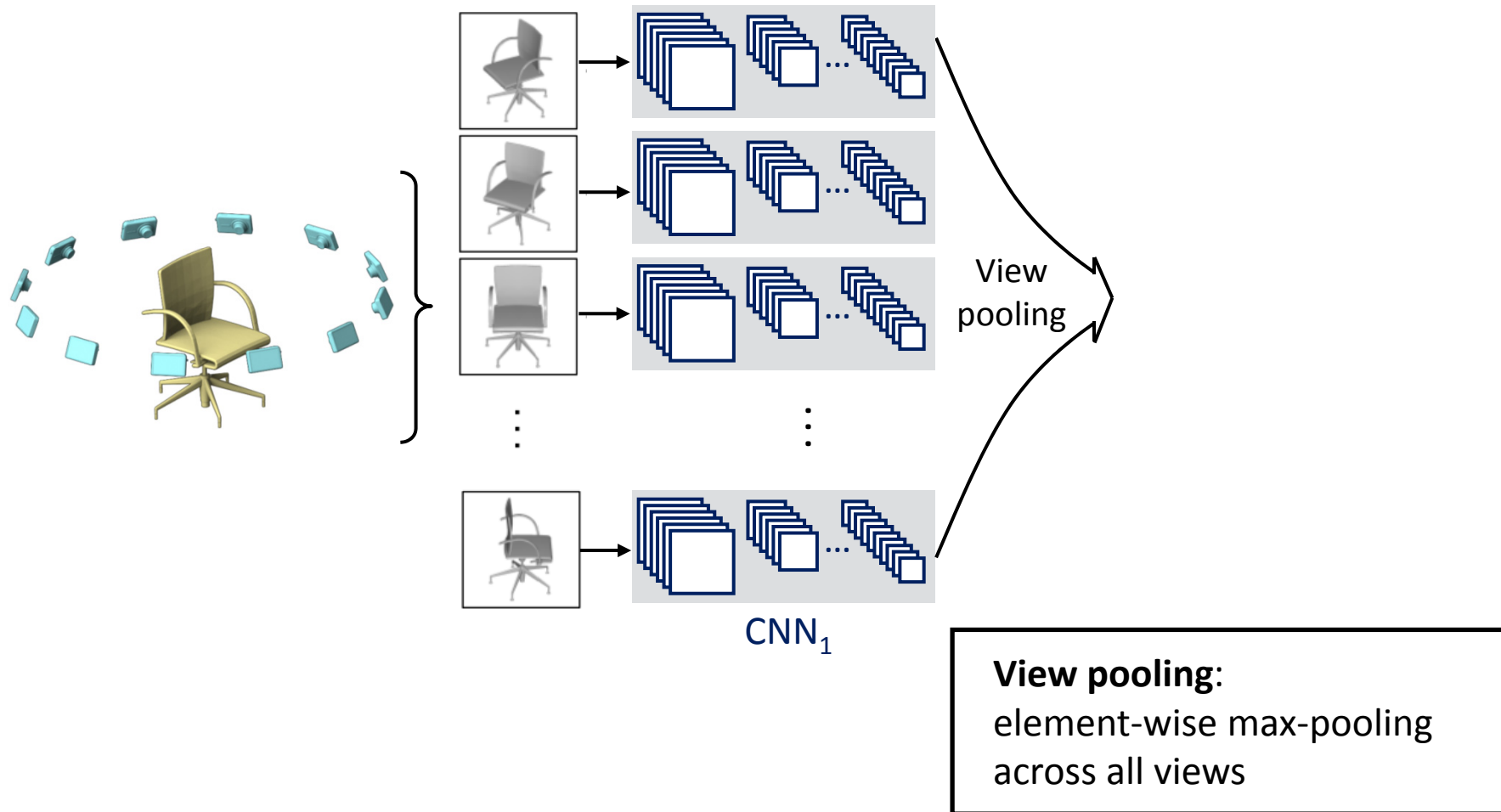
*see Matthew D. Zeiler and Rob Fergus, Visualizing and Understanding Convolutional Networks, 2014*

# Multi-view CNNs for shape analysis



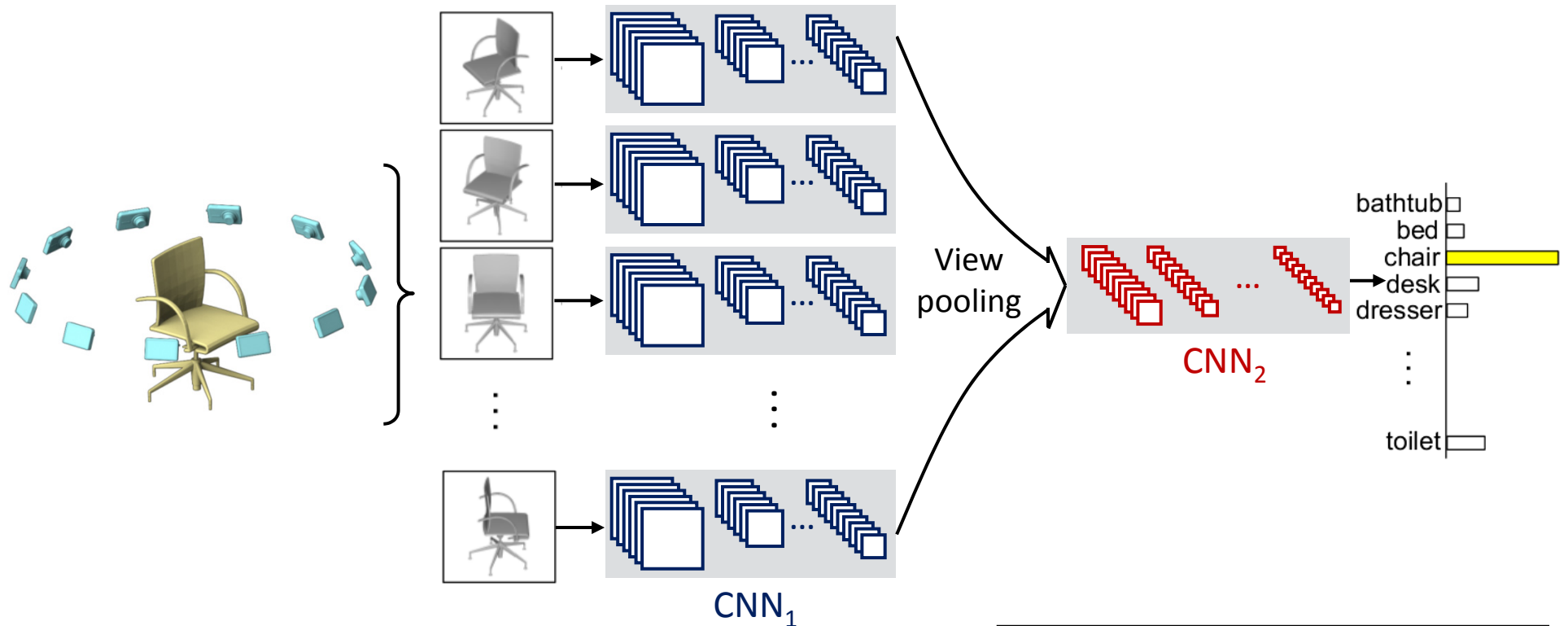
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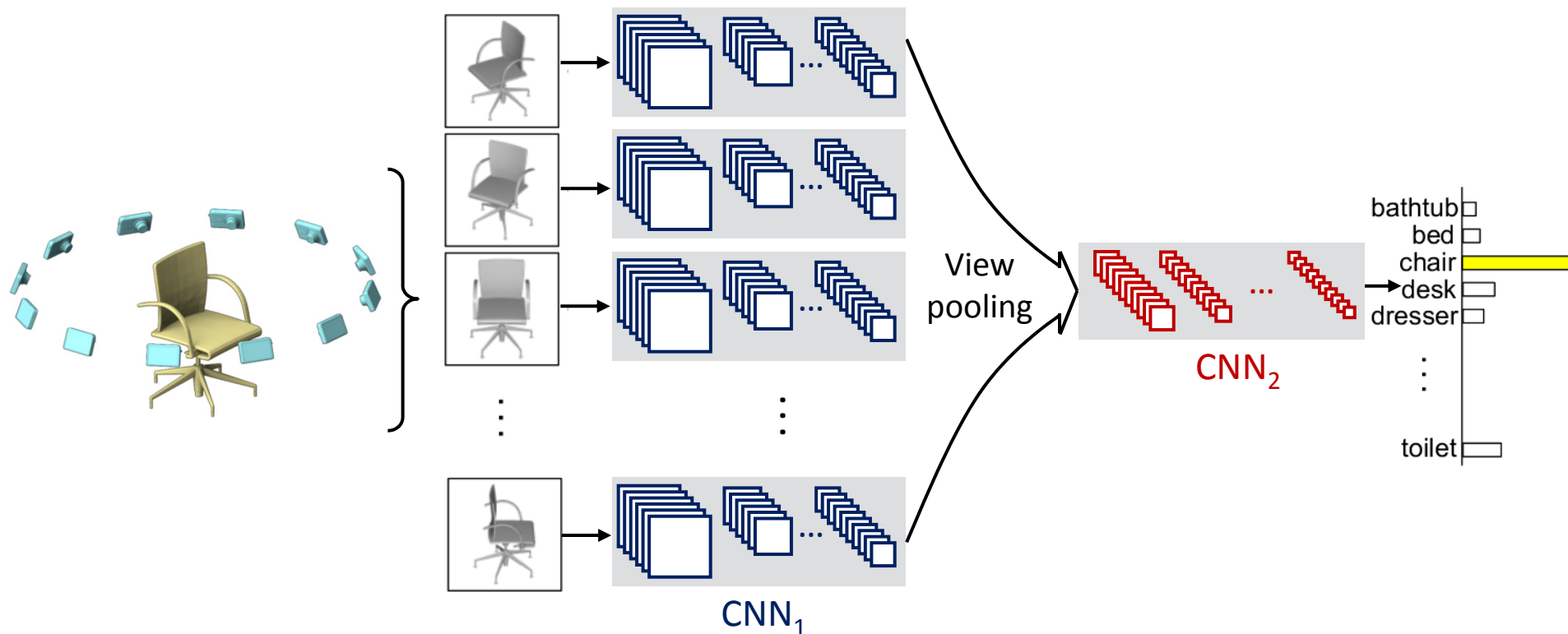
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**CNN<sub>2</sub>**: a second ConvNet producing shape descriptors

# Multi-view CNNs for shape analysis

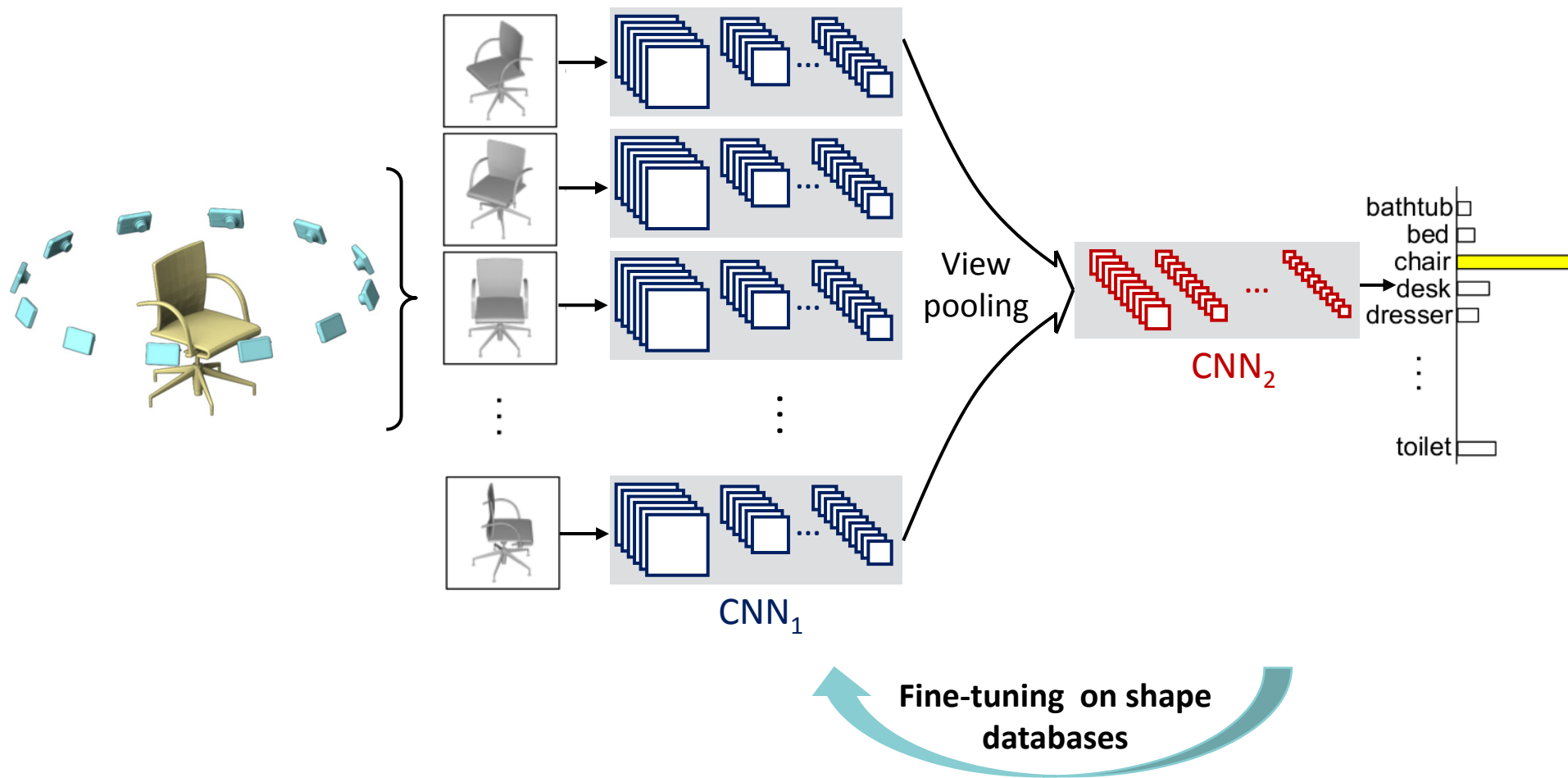


**CNNs pre-trained on ImageNet  
(leverage large image datasets for  
training shape analysis techniques!)**

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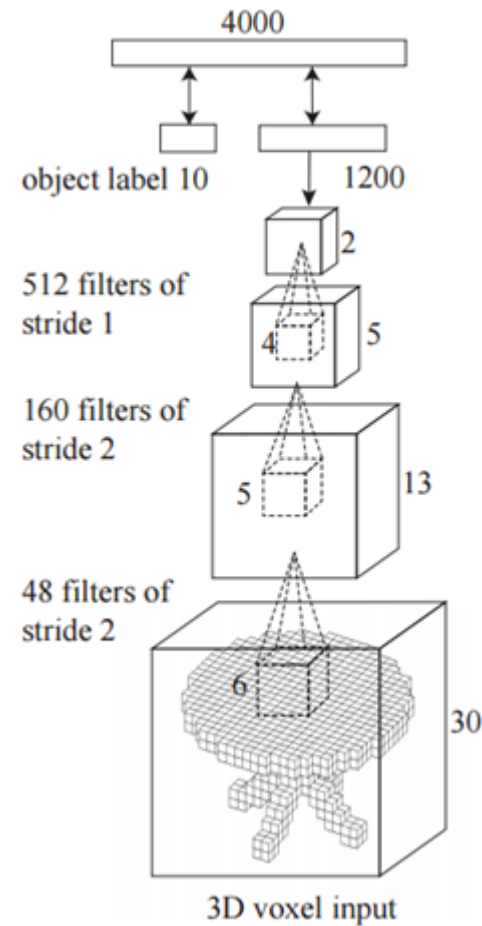


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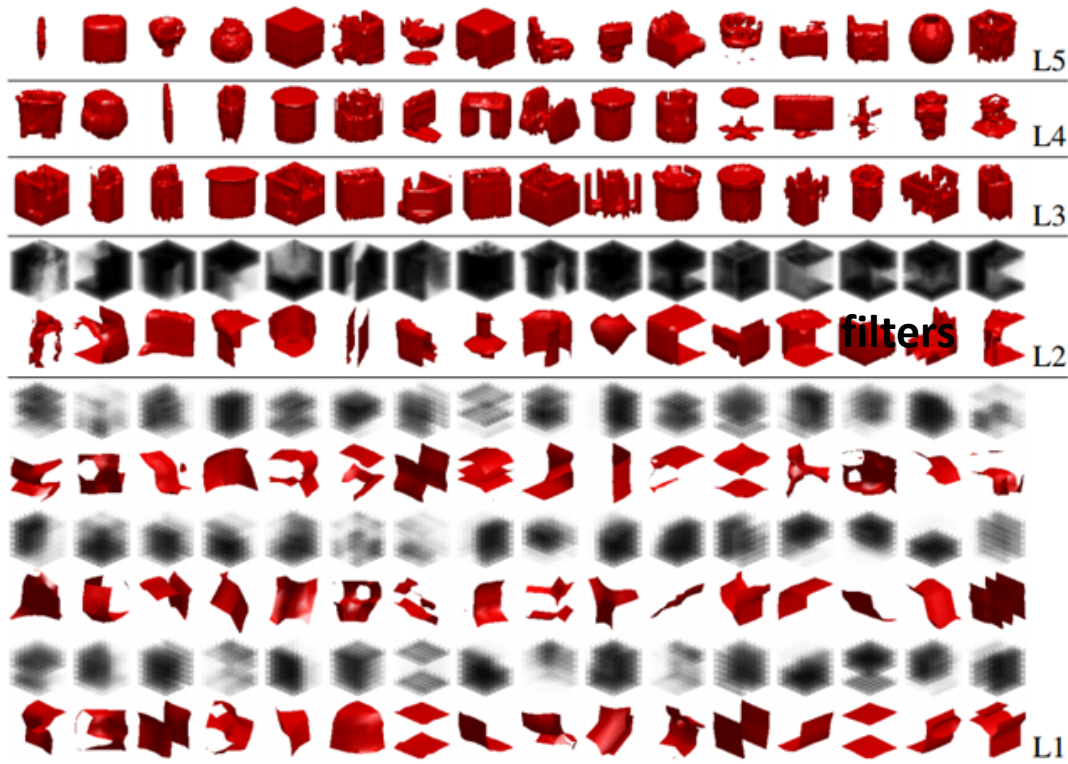
Key idea: represent a shape as a volumetric image with binary voxels.

**Learn filters operating on these volumetric data.**



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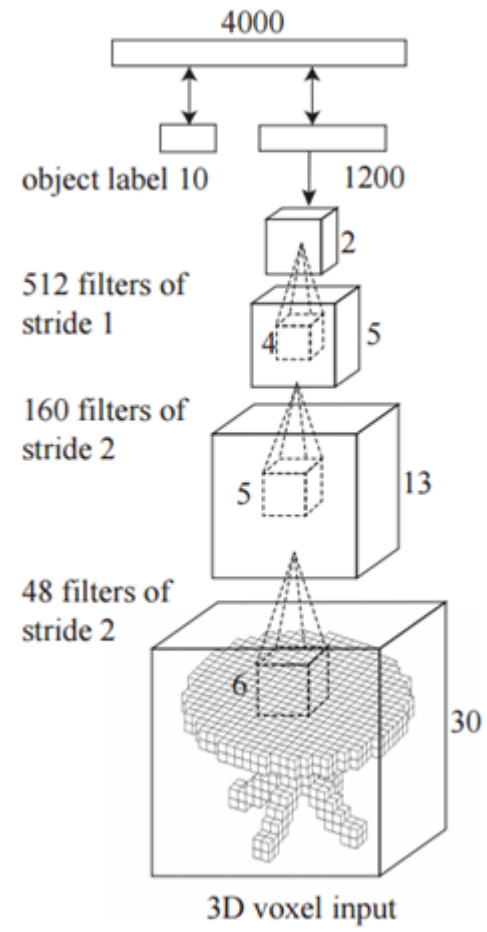


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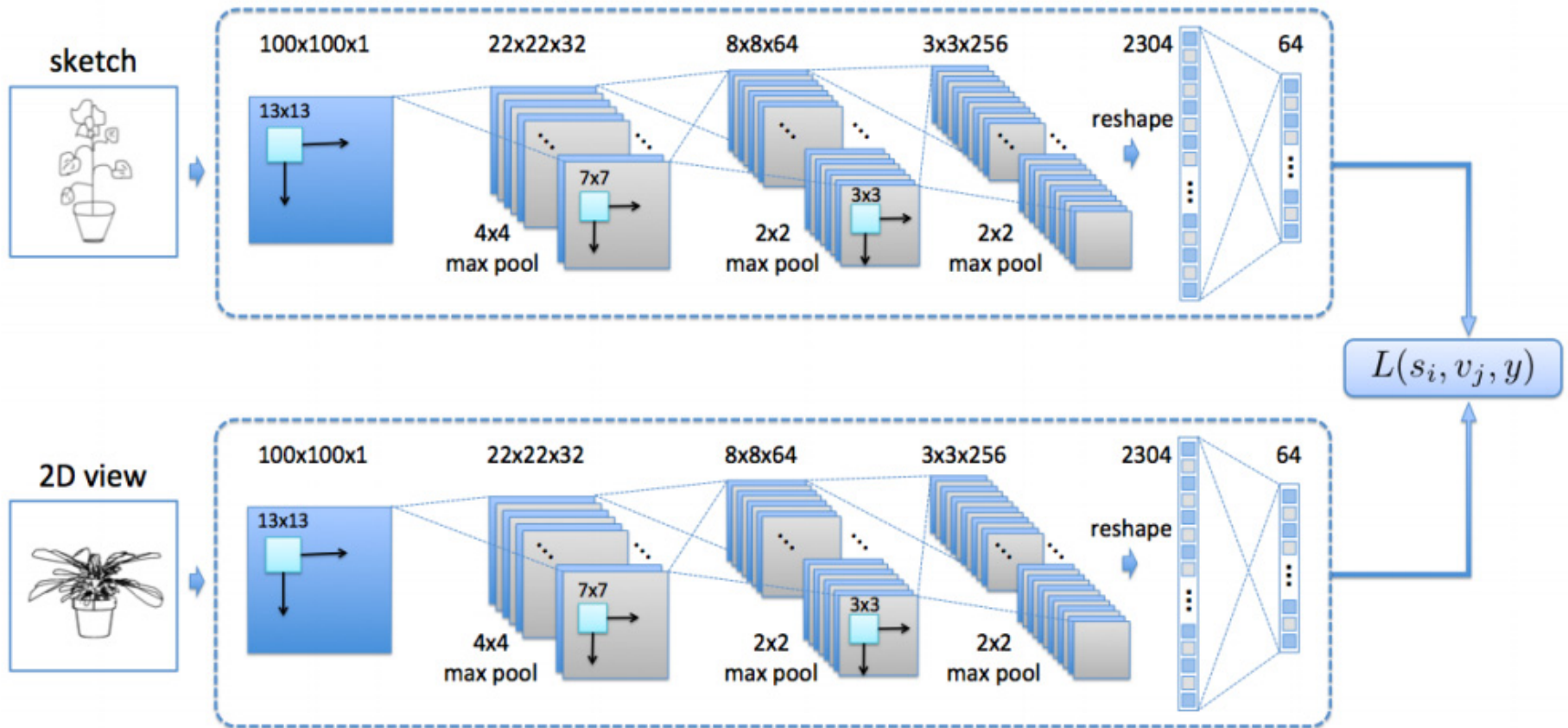
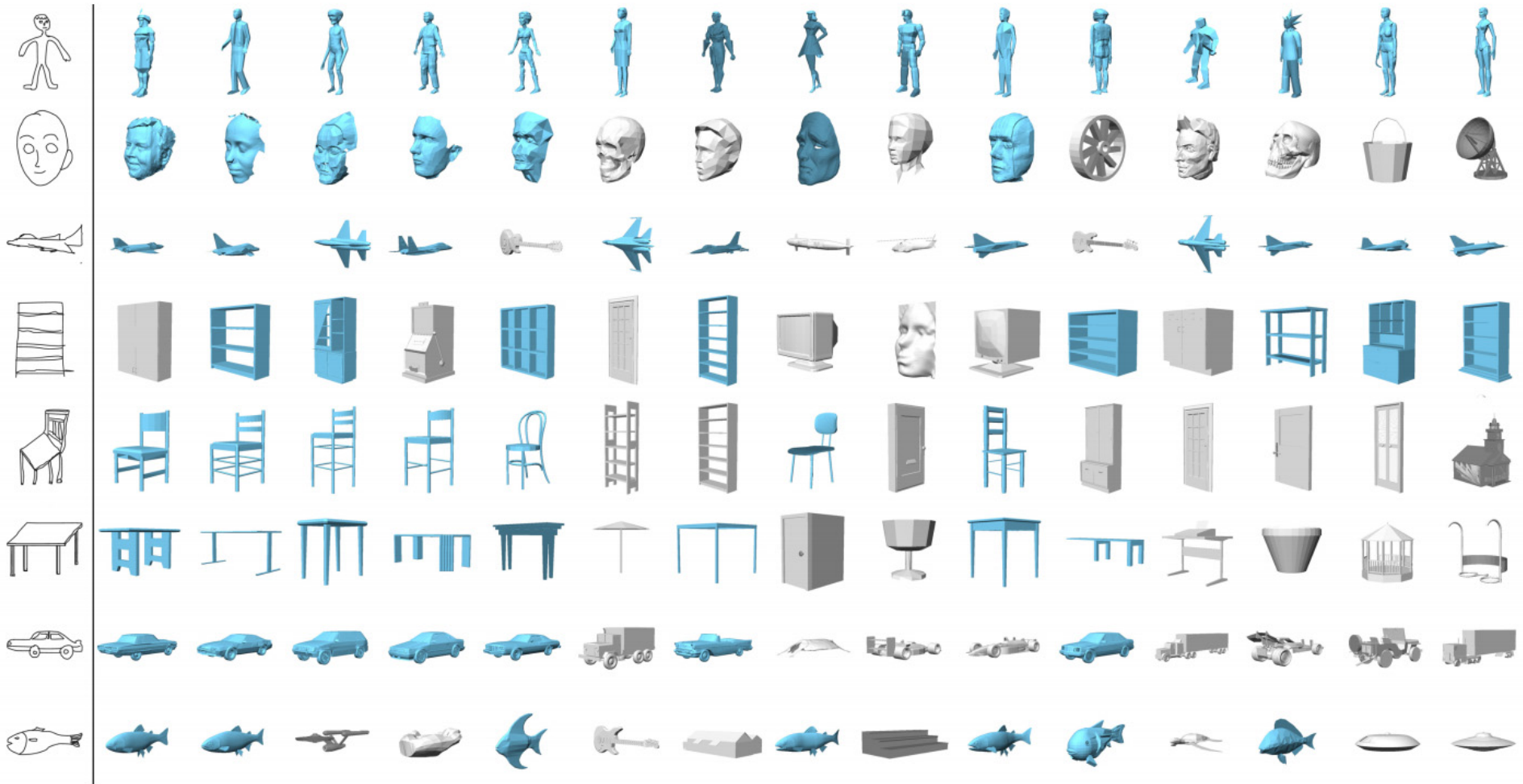


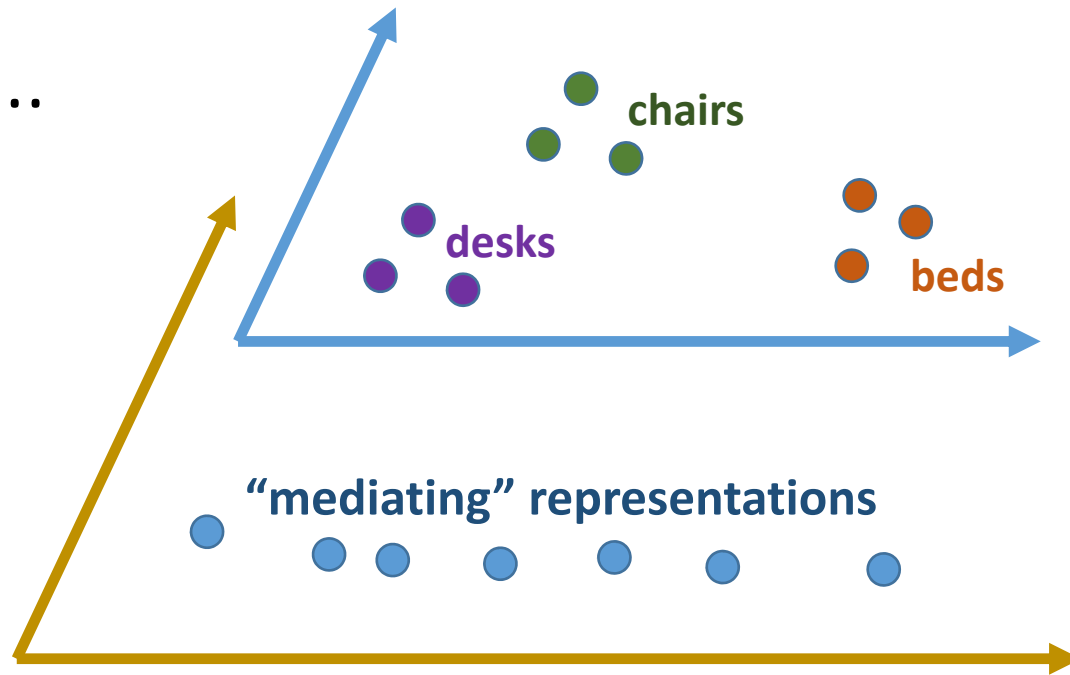
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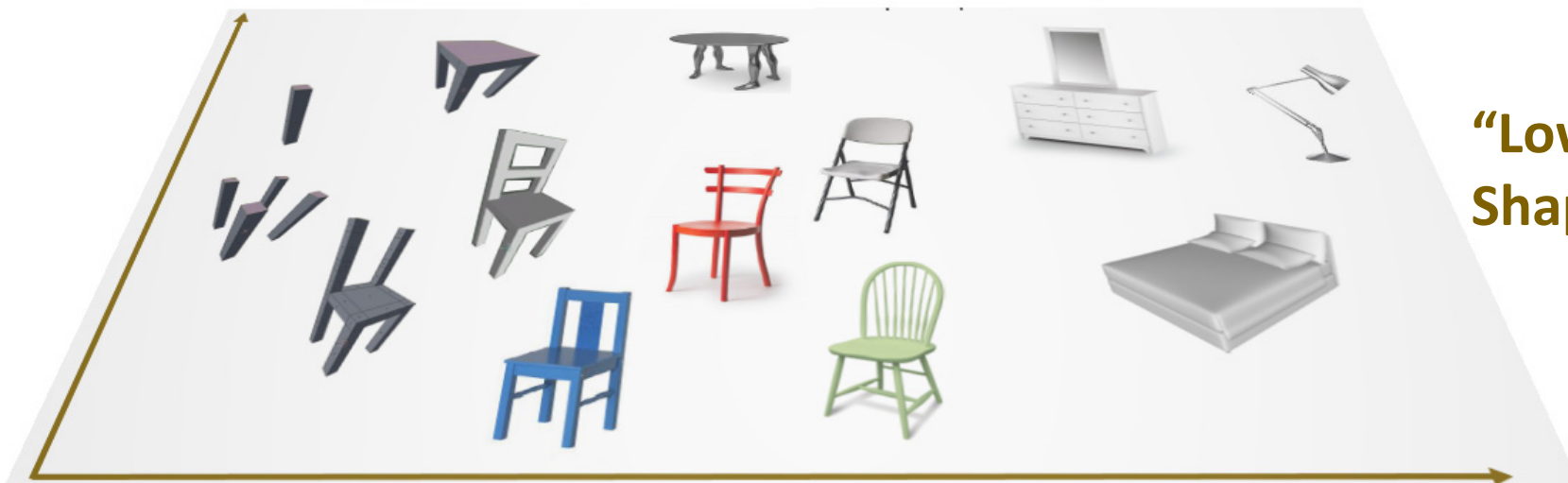
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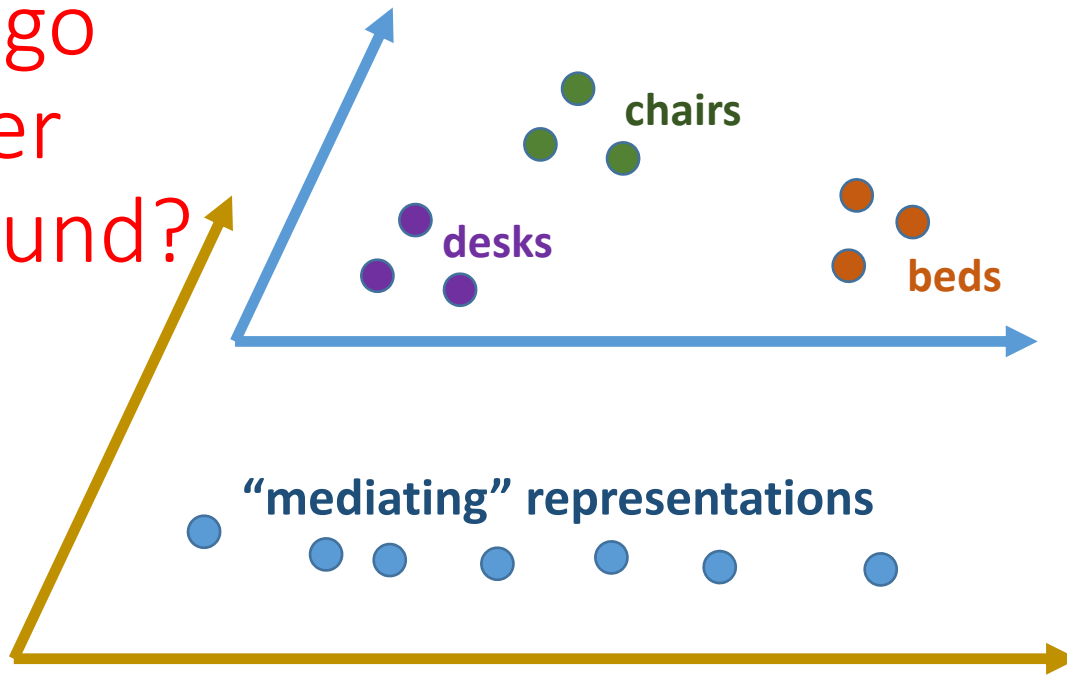
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Space



“Low-level”  
Shape Space



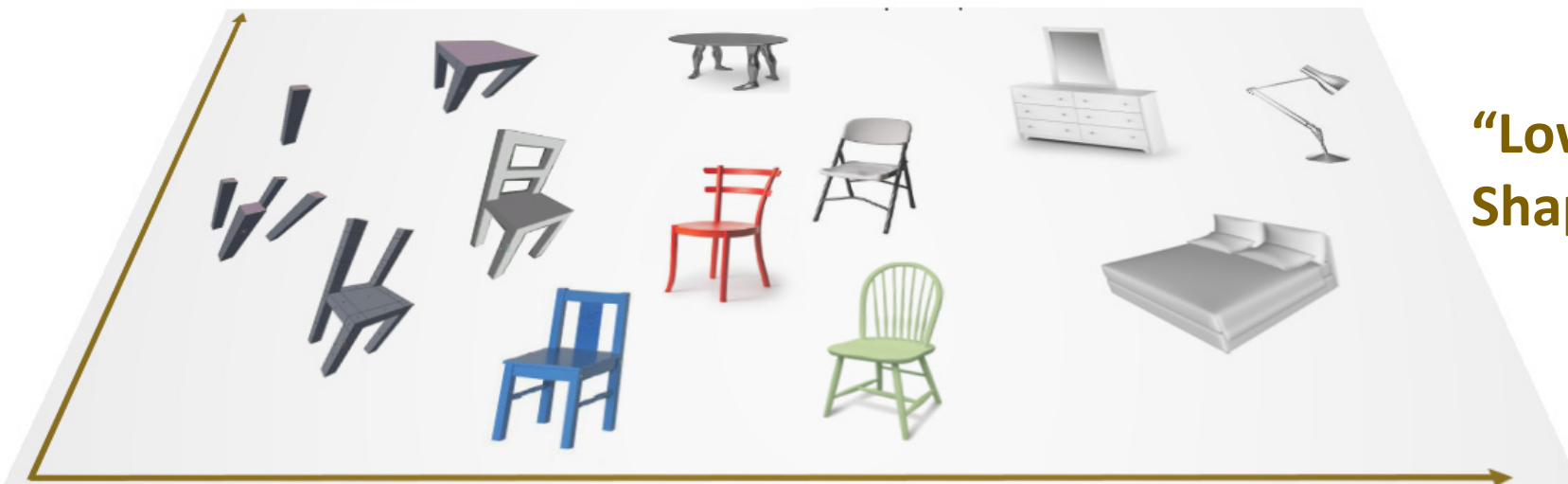
Can we go  
the other  
way around?



“High-level”  
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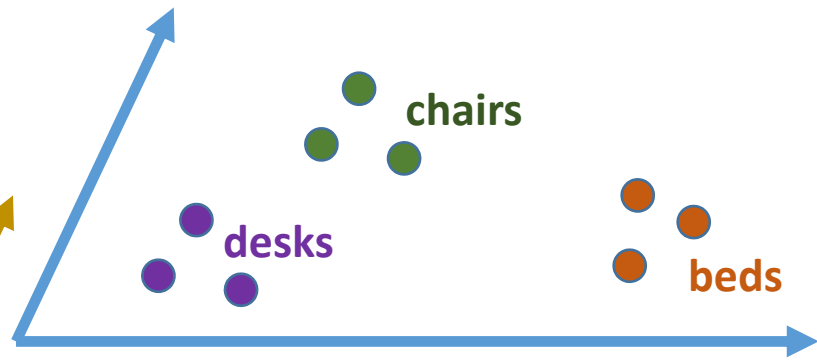


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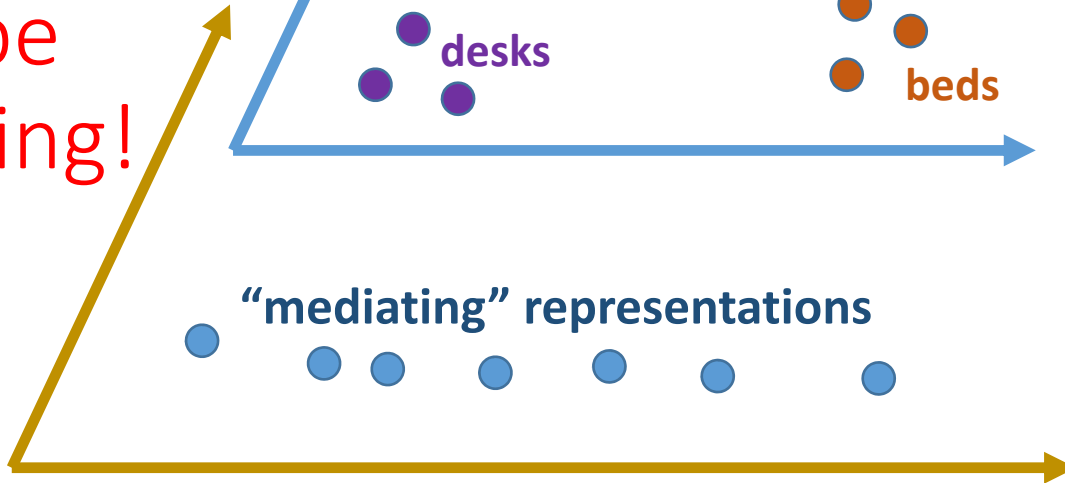


YES!  
Automatic  
Shape  
modeling!

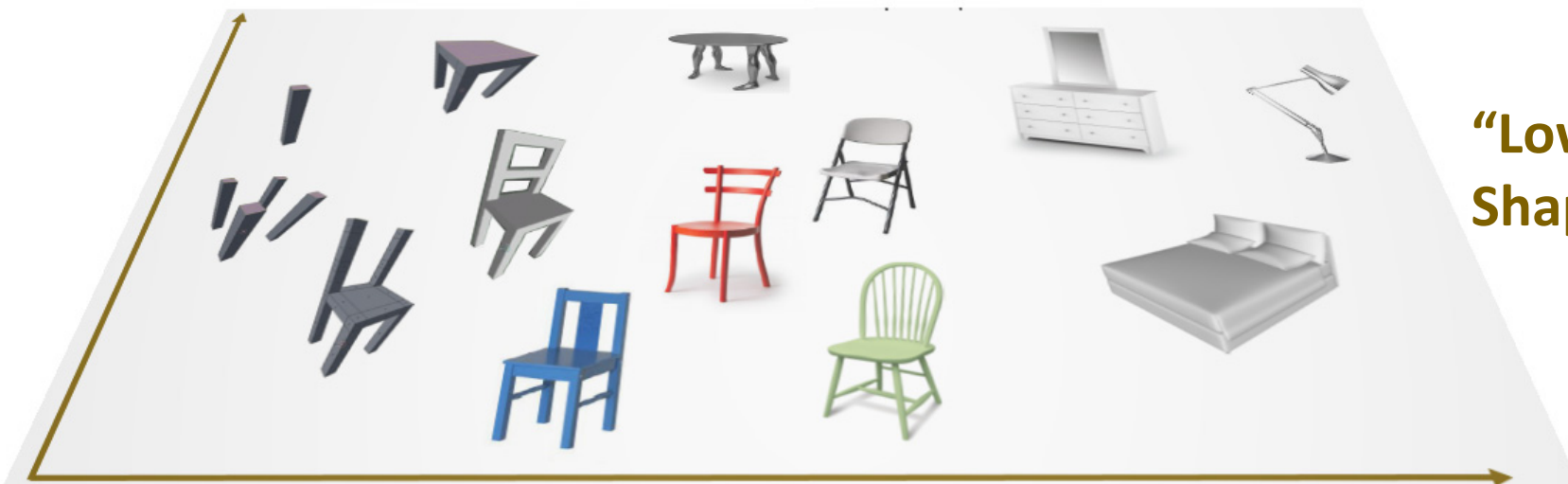


“High-level”  
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“mediating” representations

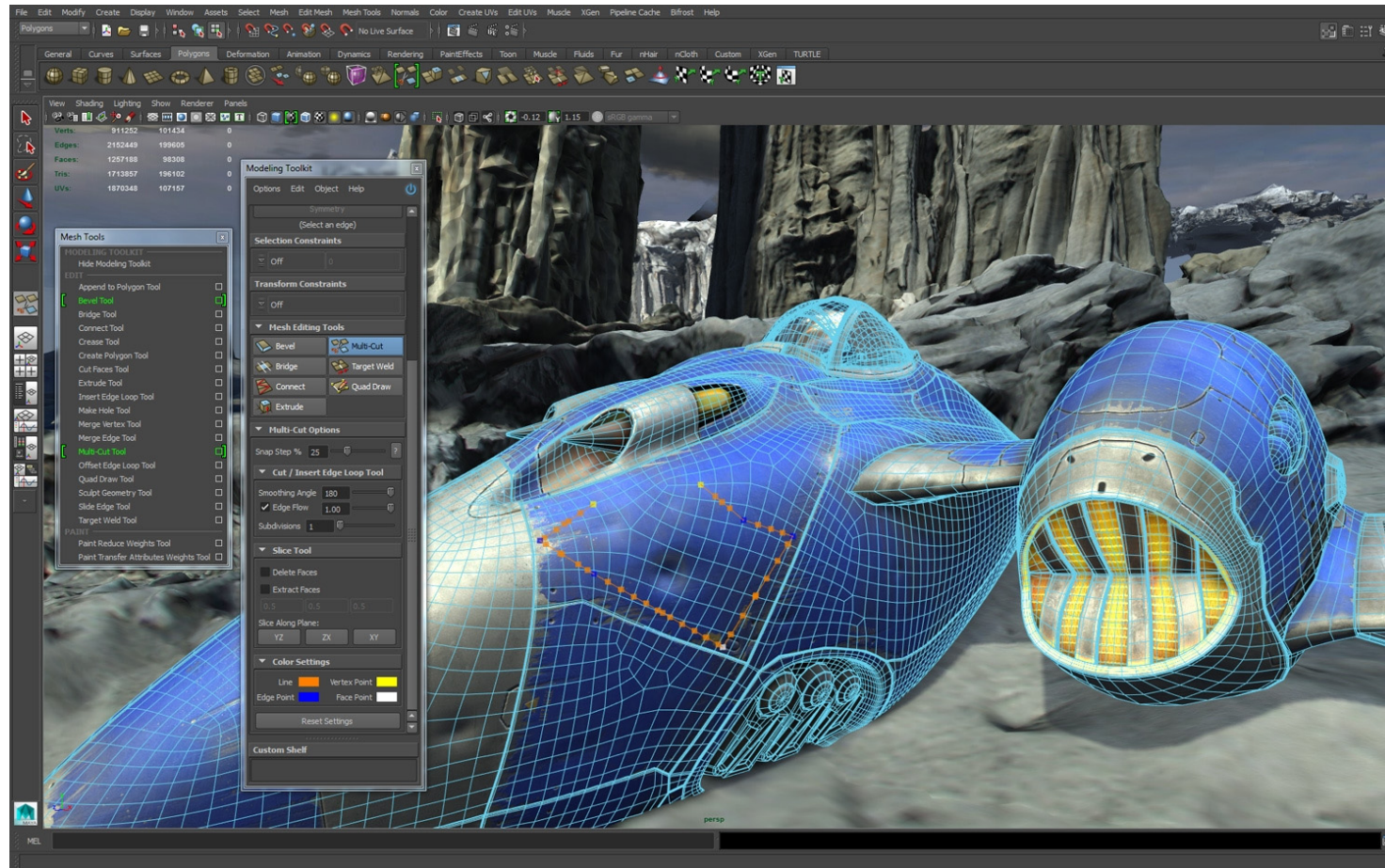


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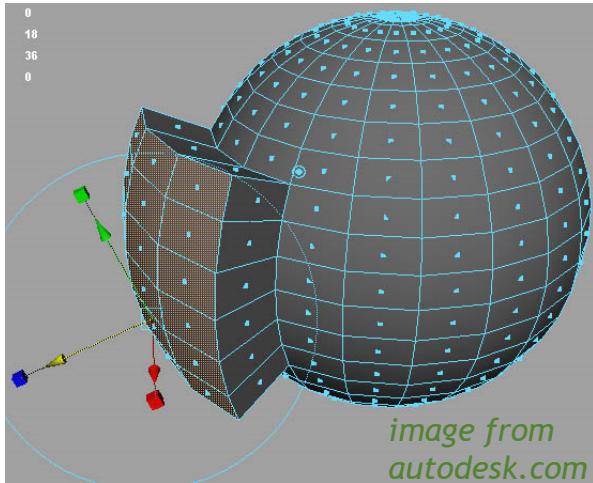




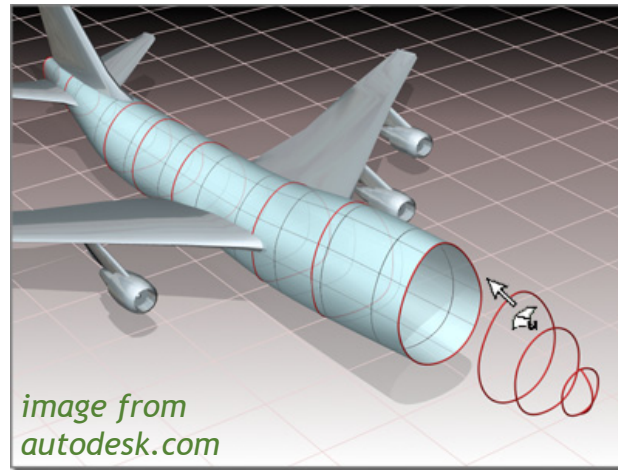
# Why automatic geometric modeling? Because it is not easy!



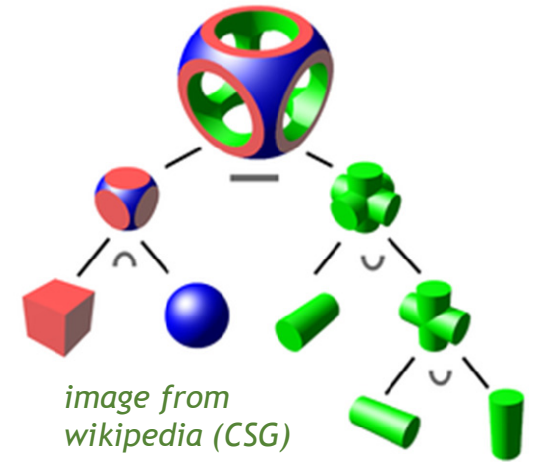
# “Traditional” Geometric Modeling



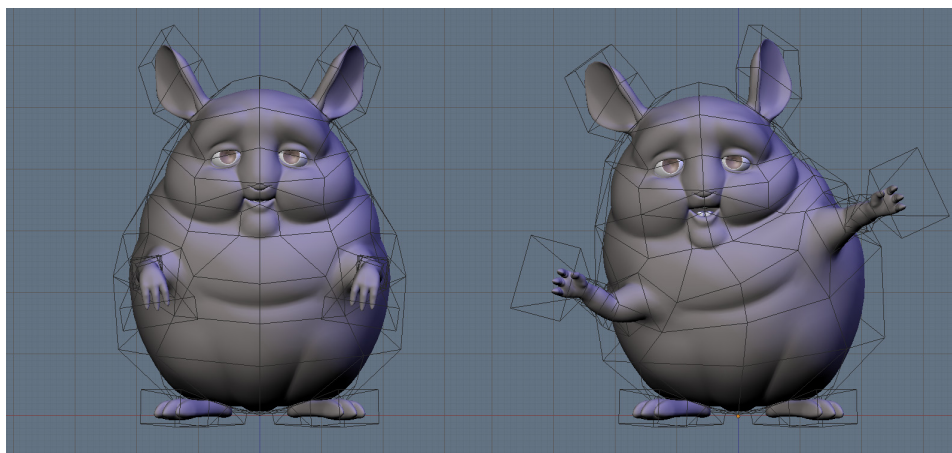
Manipulating polygons



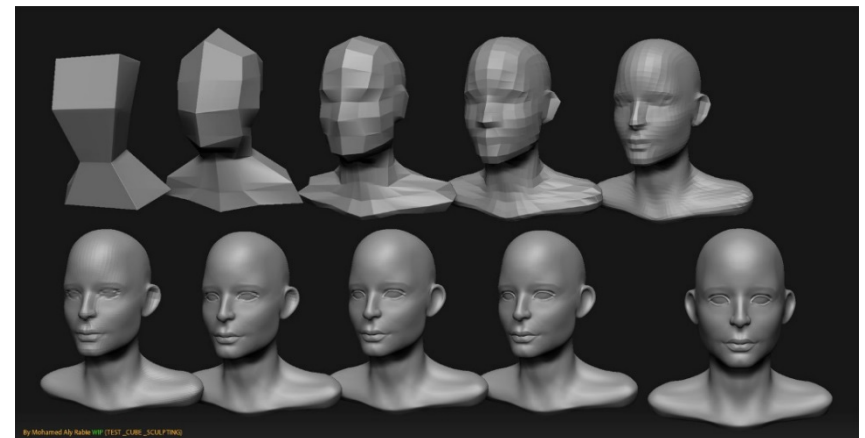
Manipulating curves



Manipulating 3D primitives



Manipulating control points, cages *image from Blender*



Digital Sculpting *image from Mohamed Aly Rable*

# “Traditional” Geometric Modeling

Impressive results at the hands of **experienced users**

Operations requires **exact and accurate input**

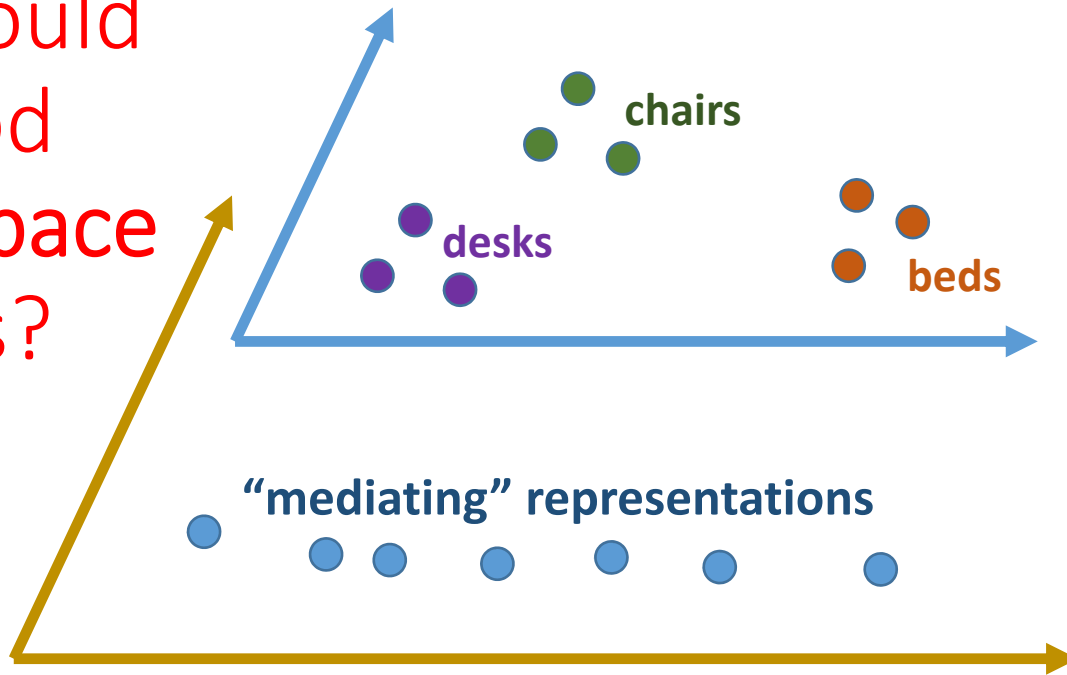
Creating compelling 3D models **takes lots of time**

Tools usually have **steep learning curves**

# An alternative approach...

- Users provide **high-level, possibly approximate** input
  - Computers learn to generate **low-level, accurate** geometry
- **Machine learning!**

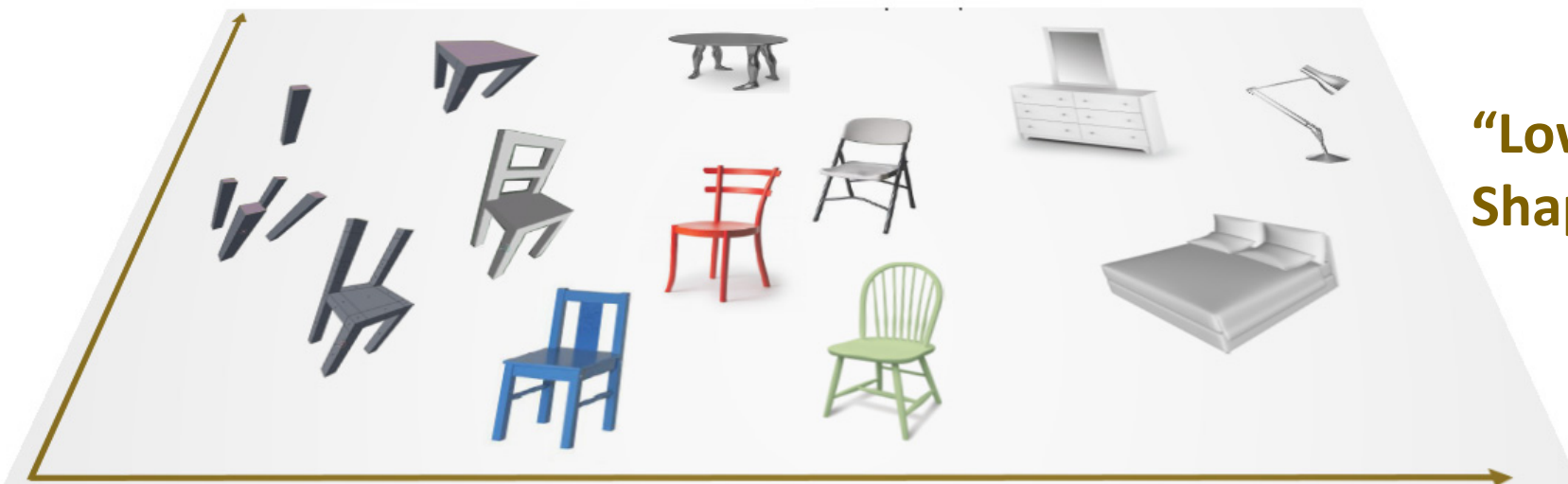
What would be a good design space for users?



“High-level”  
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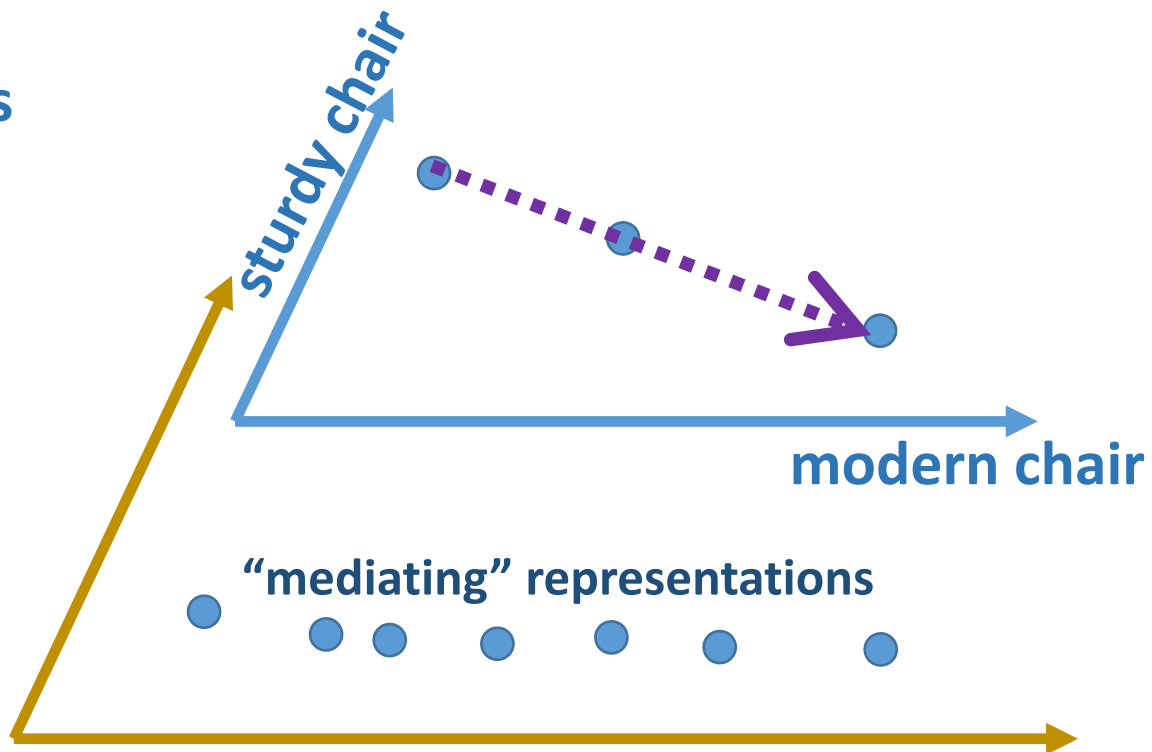


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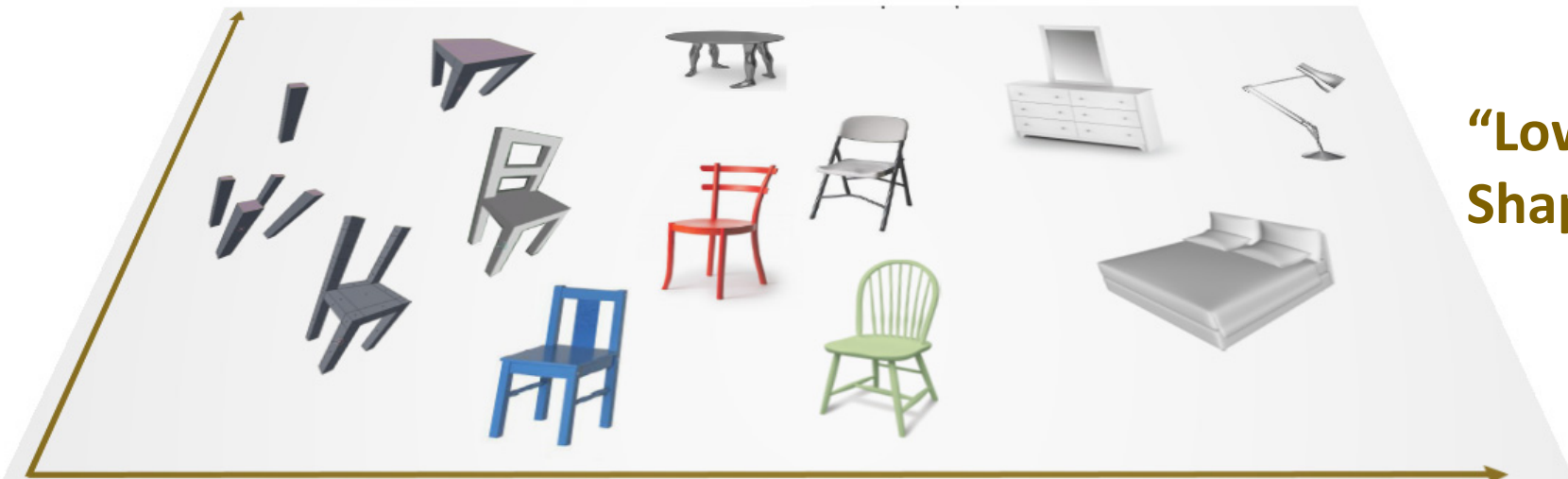
➤ Attributes



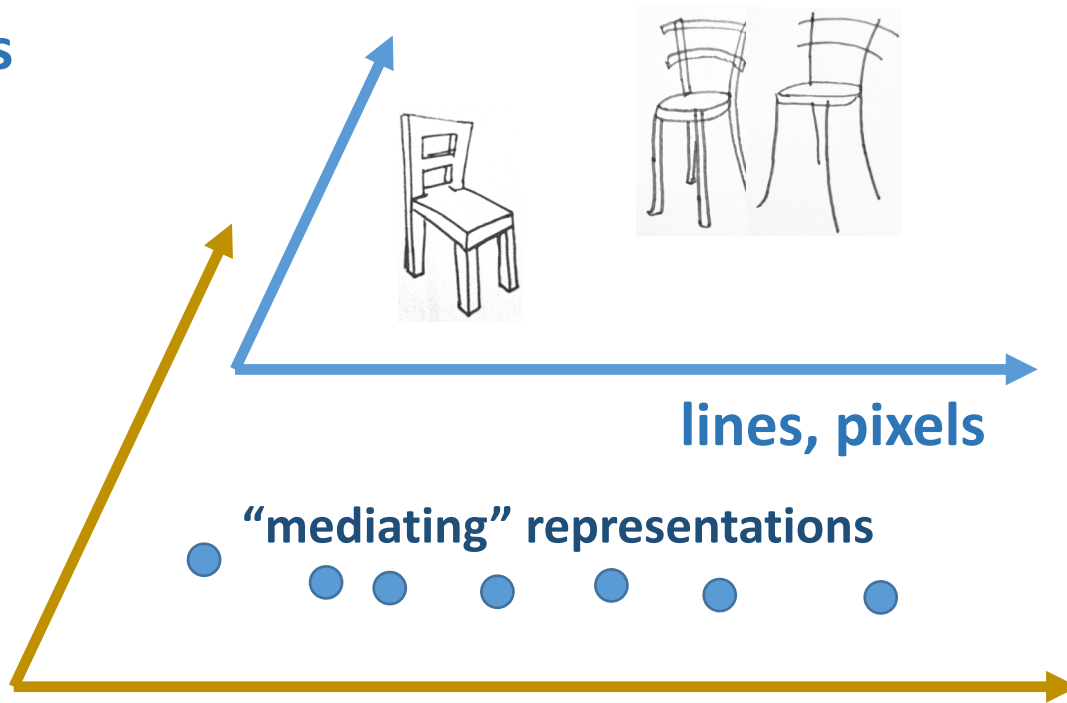
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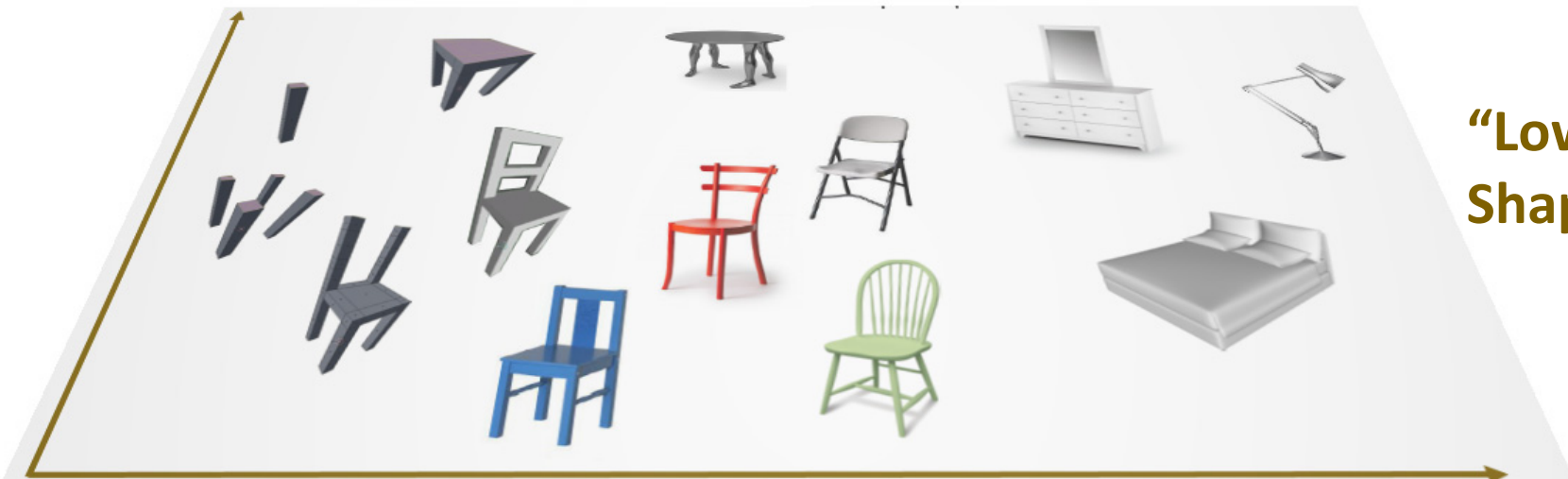
- Attributes
- Sketches



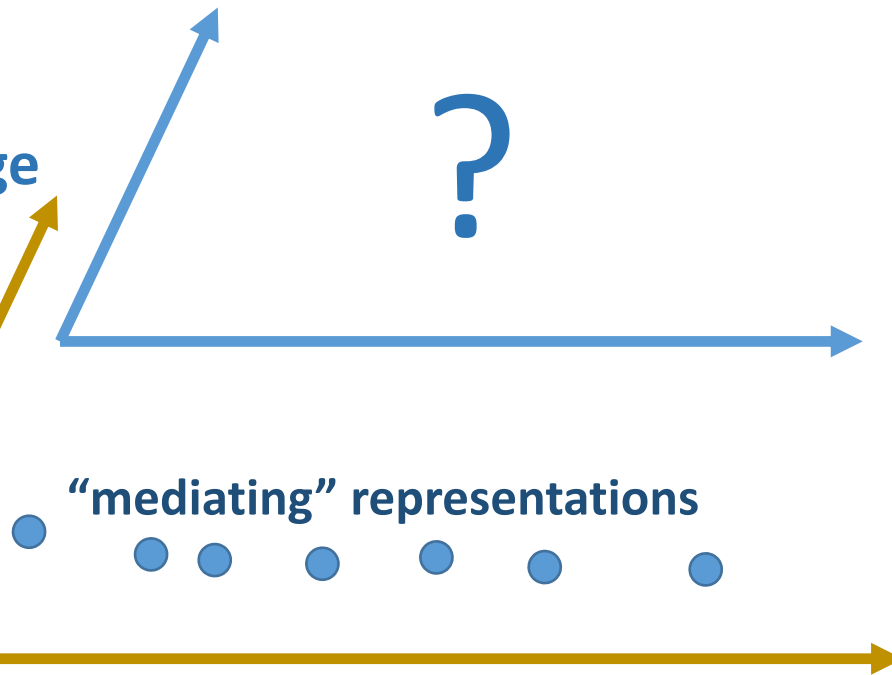
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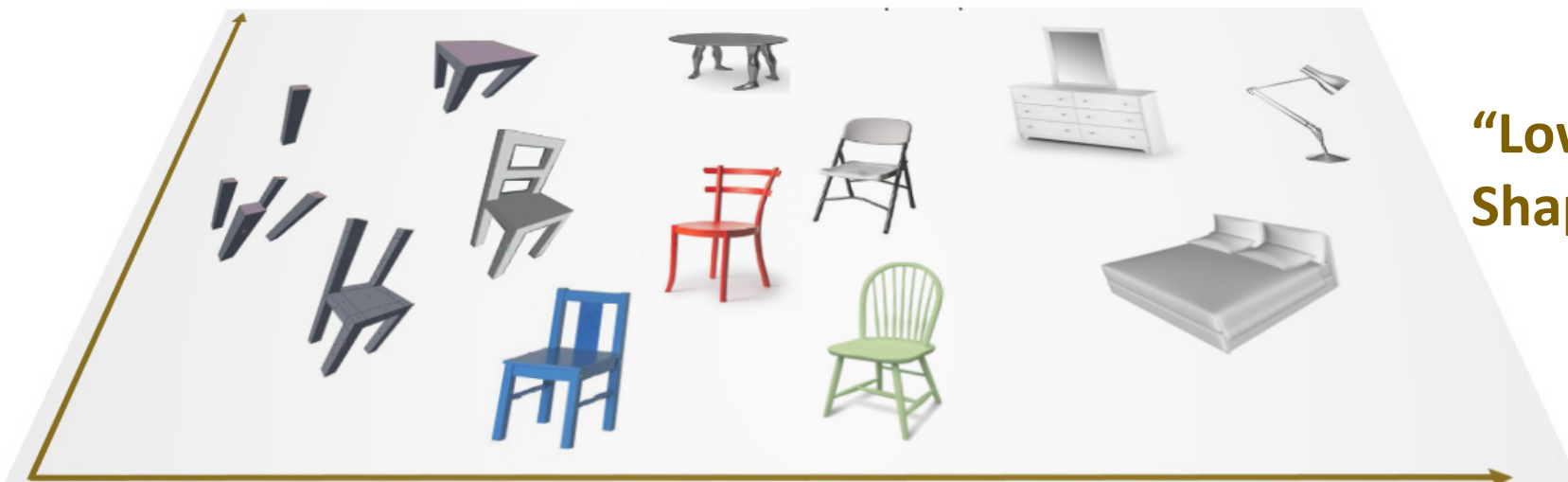
- Attributes
- Sketch
- Natural language
- Gestures
- Brain signals
- ...
- Learn it from data!



“High-level”  
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# Machine learning for Geometric Modeling

- Learn mappings from design (“high-level”) to “low-level” space:  $y = f(x)$
- Learn which shapes are probable (“plausible”) given input:  $P(y | f(x))$

# “Plausible” chairs



# “Plausible” chairs

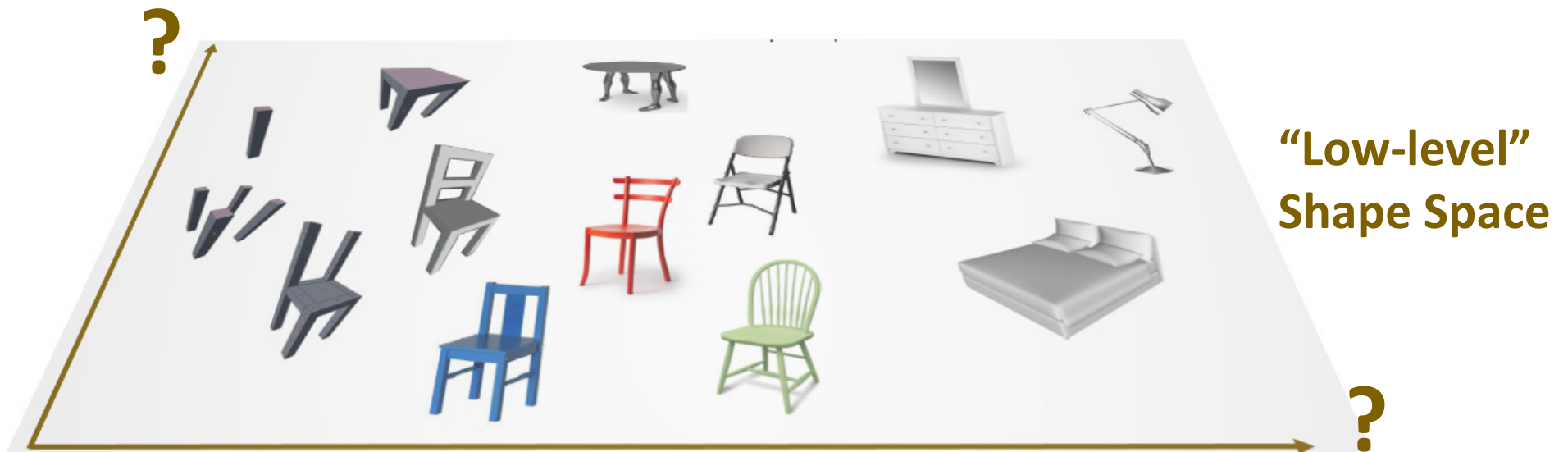


(not a binary or even an objective choice!)



# The representation challenge

How do we represent the **shape space**?



# “Low-level” shape space representation

Can we use the polygon meshes as-is for our shape space?

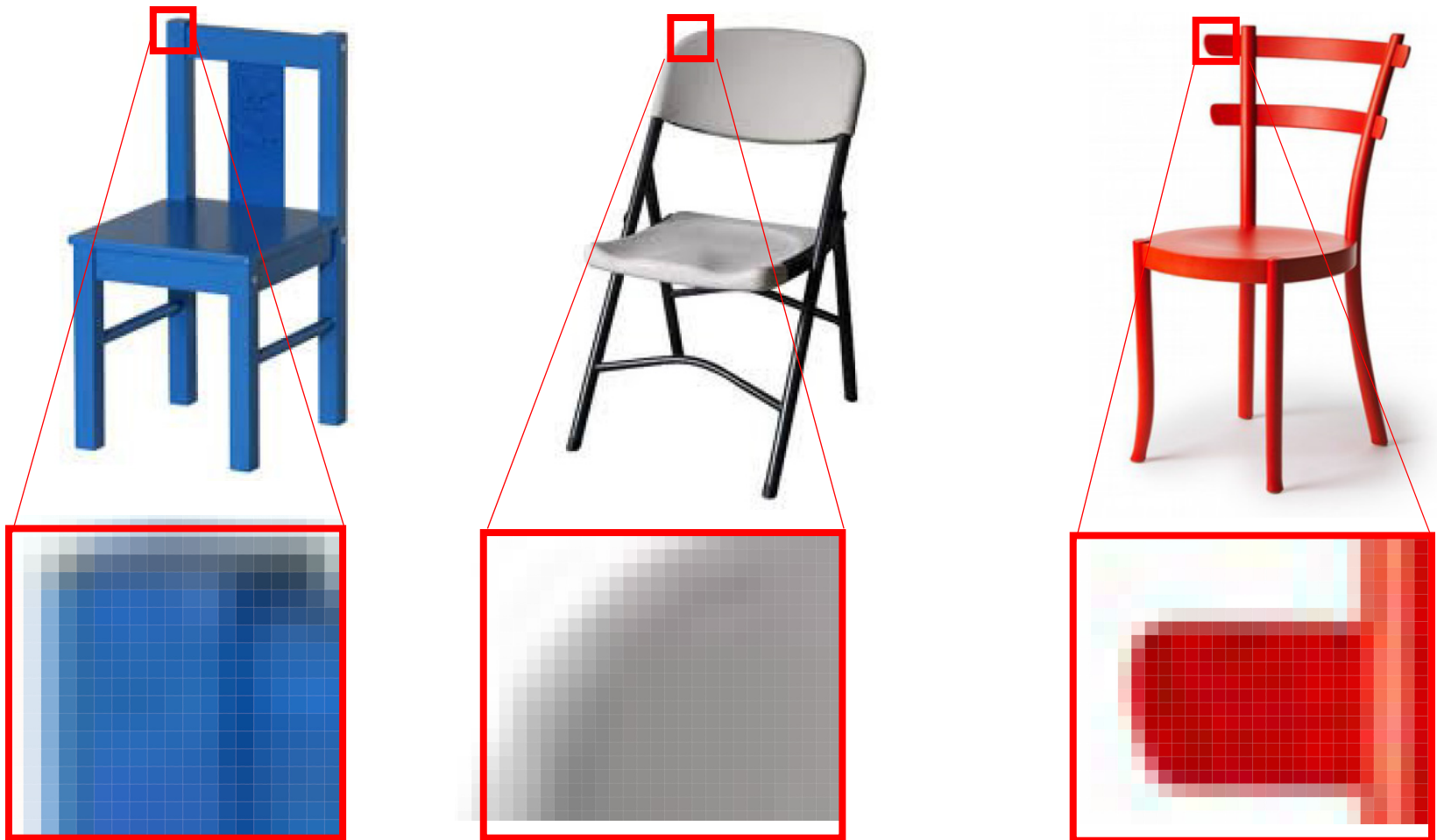
**No. Take the first vertex on each mesh. Where is it?**

**Meshes have different number of vertices, faces etc**



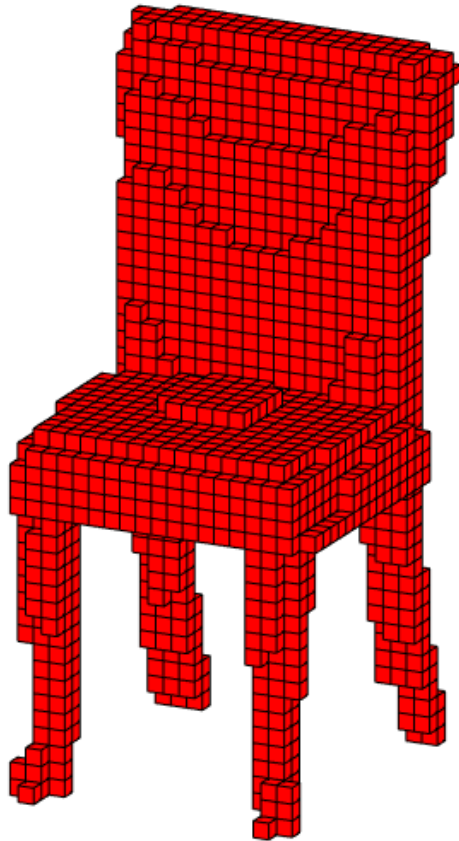
# The “computer vision” approach

Learn mappings to pixels & multiple views!



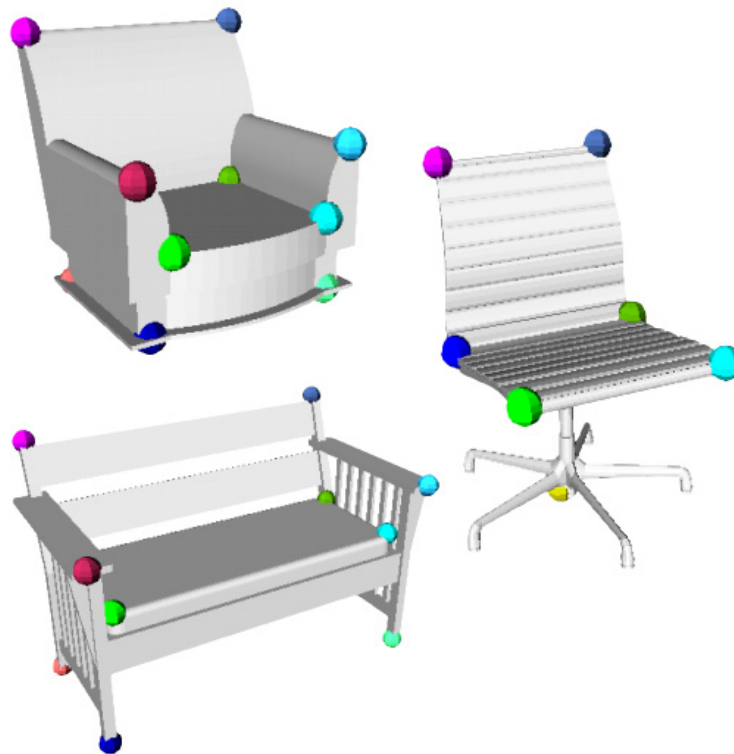
# The “volumetric” approach

Learn mappings to voxels!



# The “correspondences” approach

Find point correspondences between 3D surface points. Can do alignment. Can we always have dense correspondences?

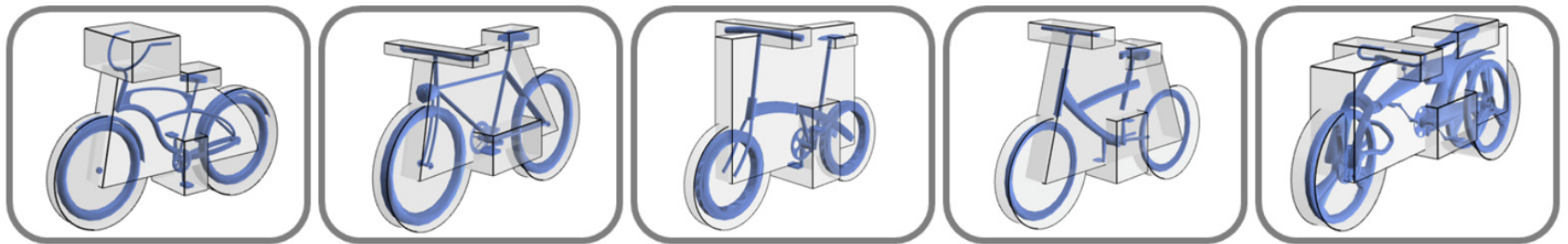


*Image from Vladimir G. Kim, Wilmot Li, Niloy J. Mitra, Siddhartha Chaudhuri, Stephen DiVerdi, and Thomas Funkhouser, “Learning Part-based Templates from Large Collections of 3D Shapes”, 2013*



# The “abstractions” approach

Parameterize shapes with primitives (cuboids, cylinders etc)  
How can we capture surface detail?



*Image from E. Yumer., L. Kara, Co-Constrained Handles for Deformation in Shape Collections, 2014*

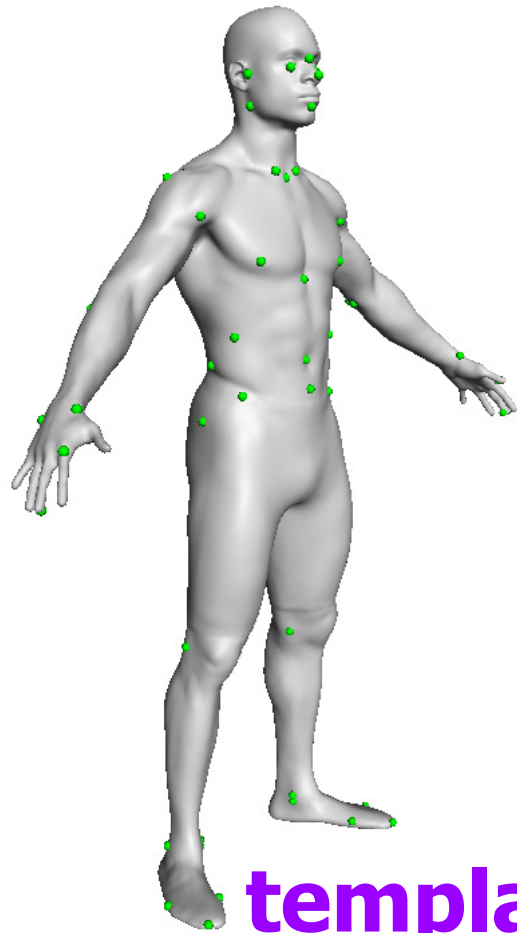
# Case study: the space of human bodies

Training shapes: 125 male + 125 female scanned bodies



*Slides from Brett Allen, Brian Curless, Zoran Popović, Exploring the space of human body shapes, 2003*

# Matching algorithm



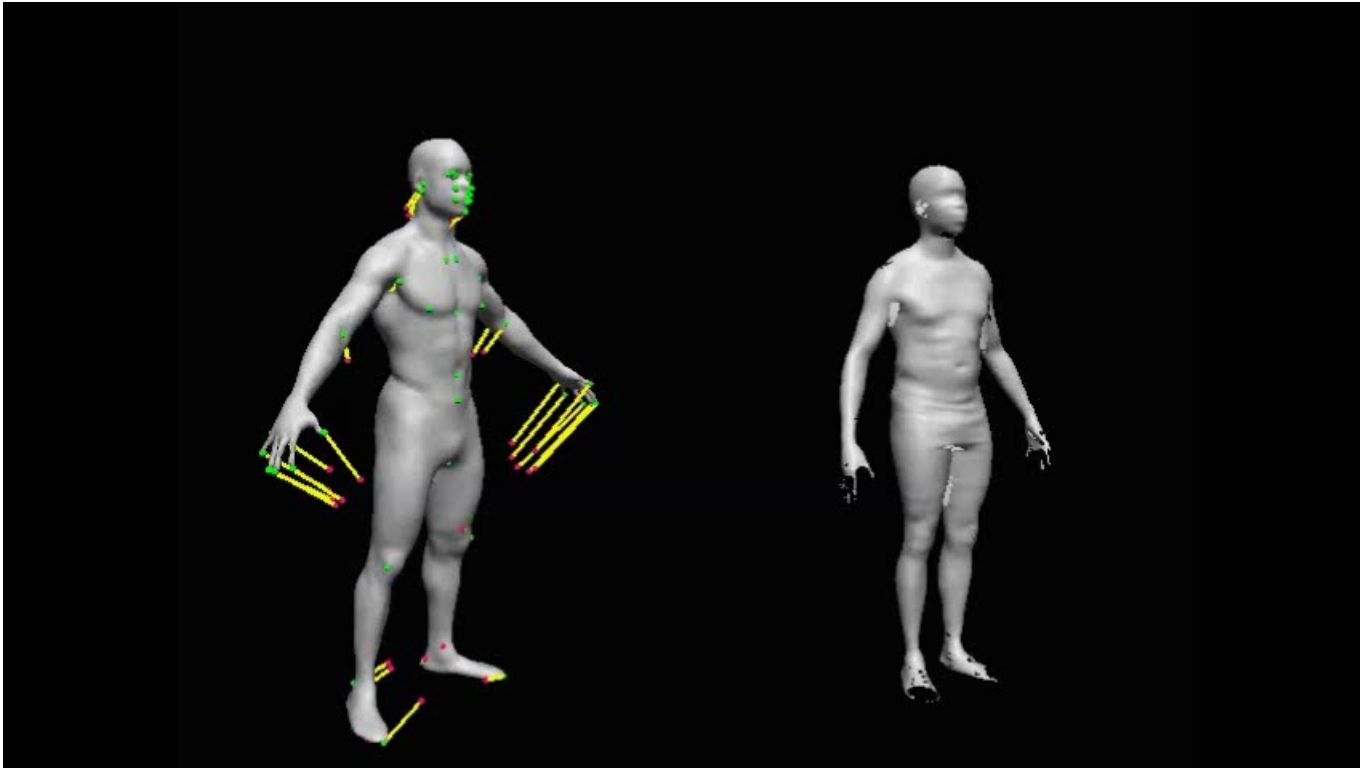
**template**



**scan**

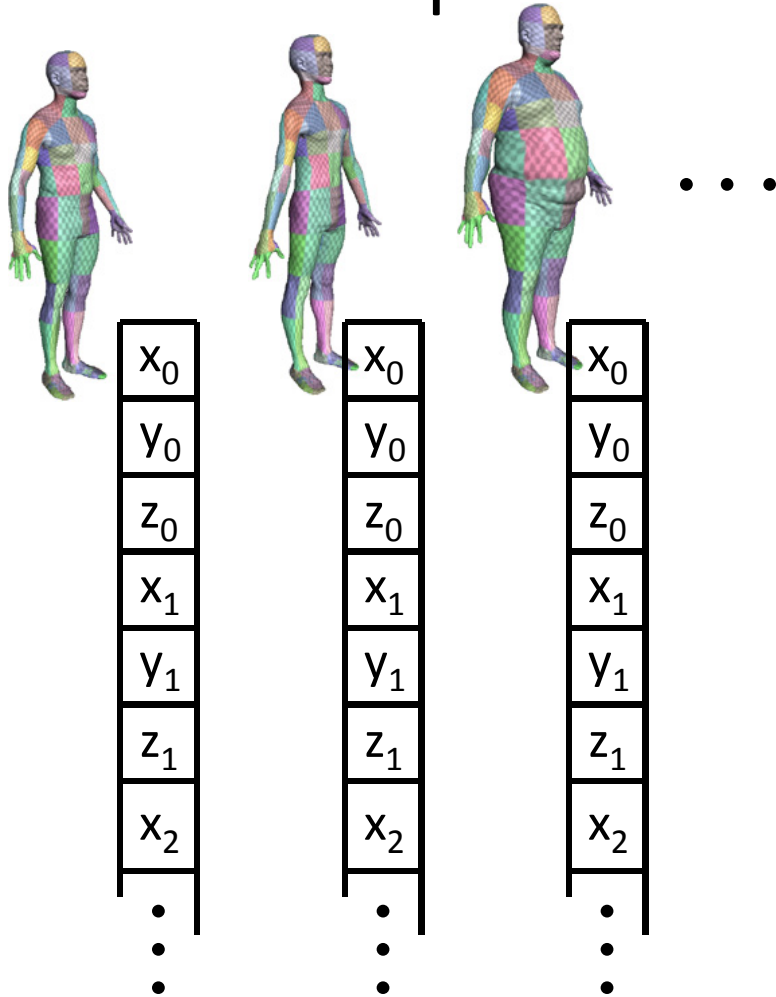
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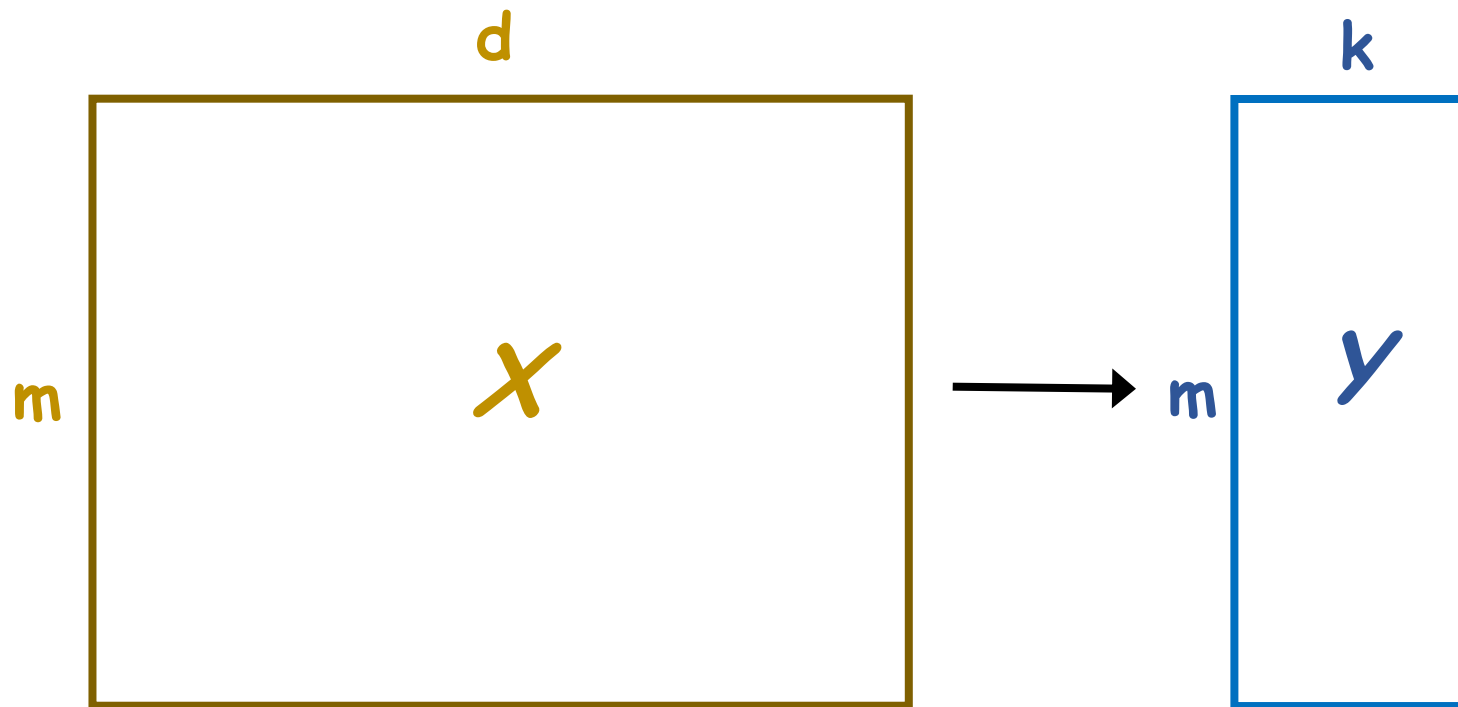
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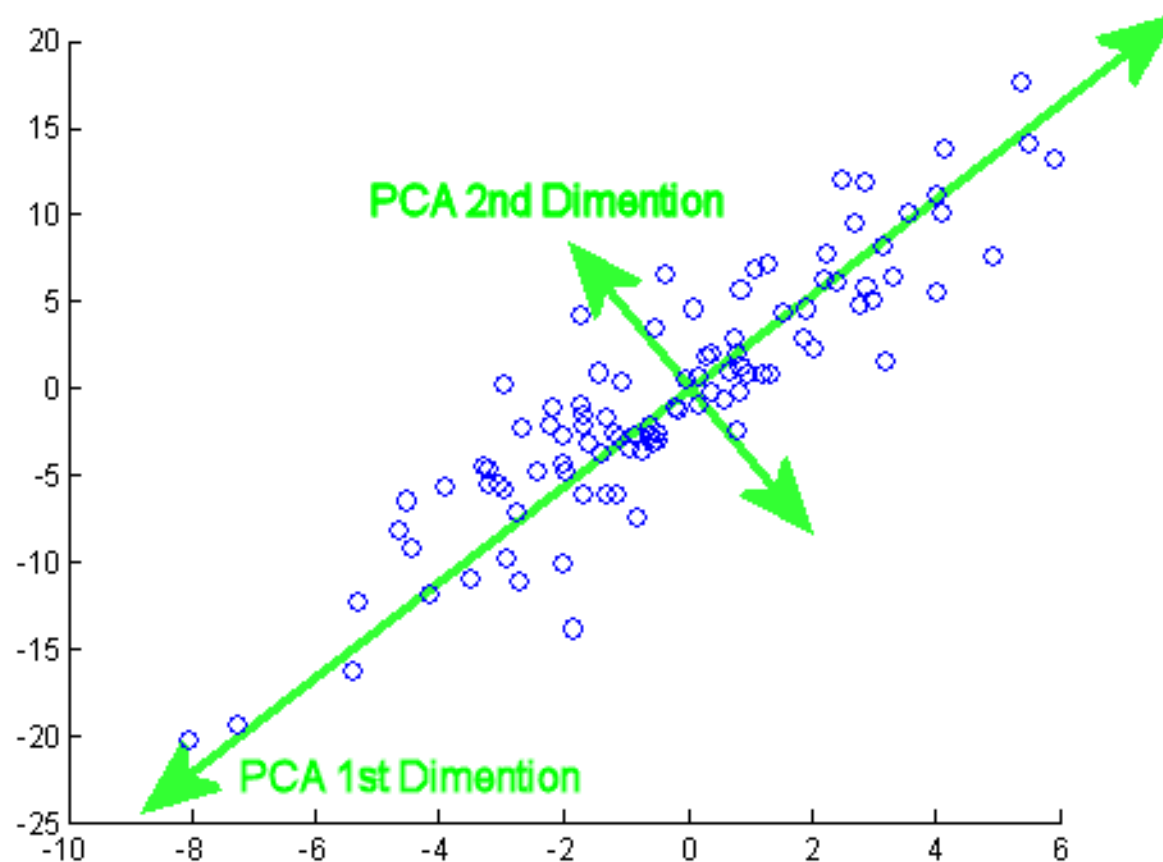
# Dimensionality Reduction

**Summarization of data** with many ( $d$ ) variables by a smaller set of ( $k$ ) derived latent variables.

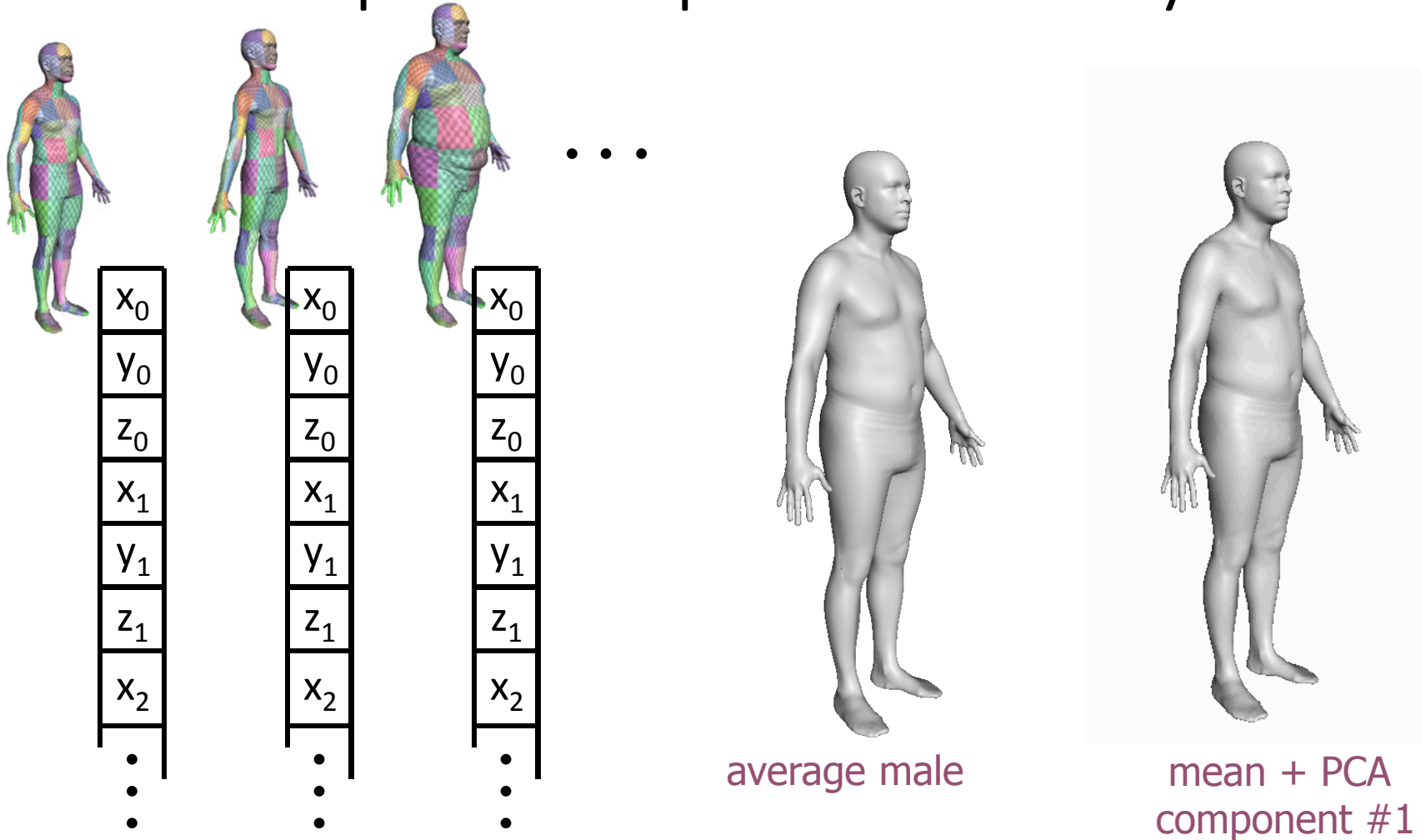


# Principal Component Analysis

Each principal axis is a linear combination of the original variables



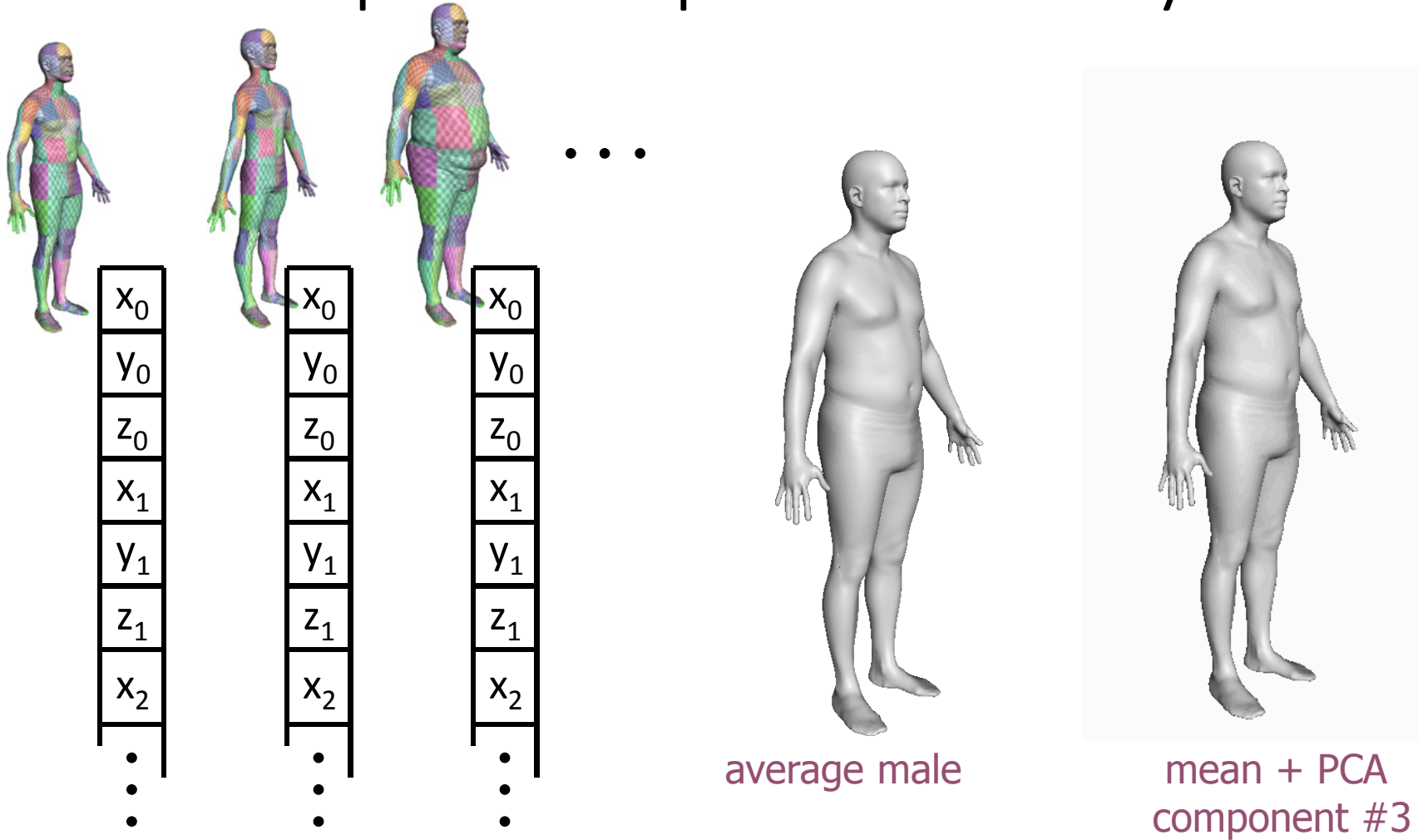
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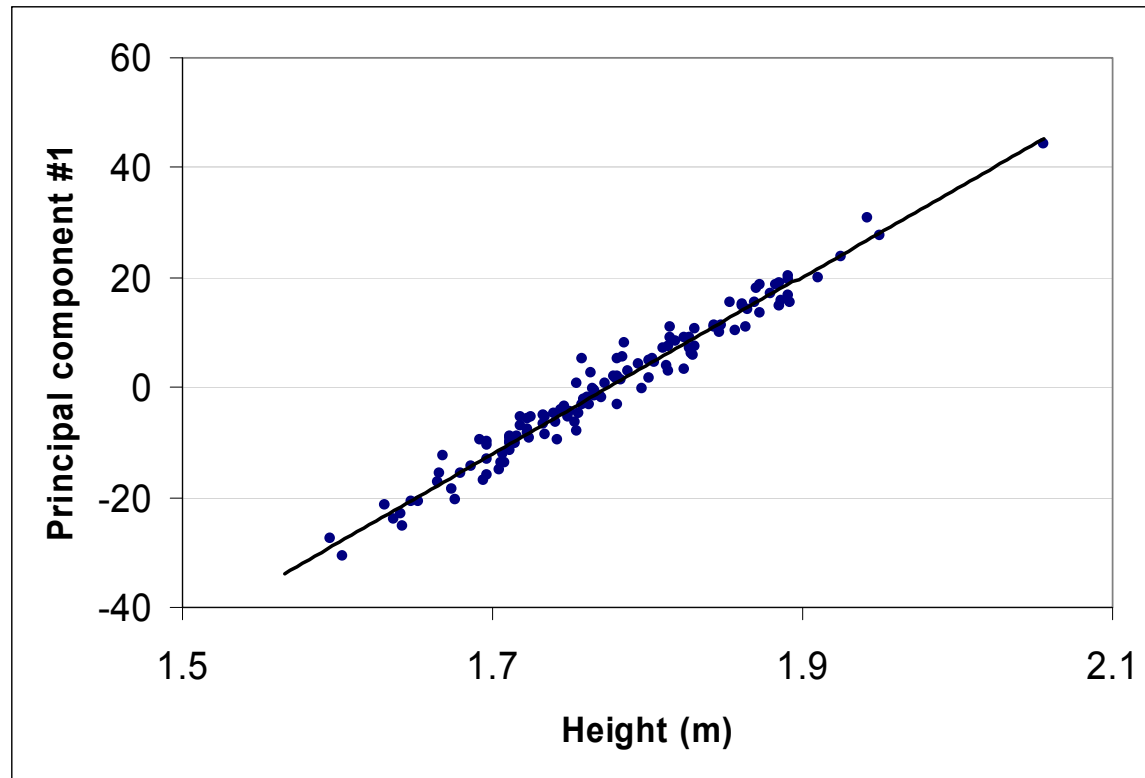
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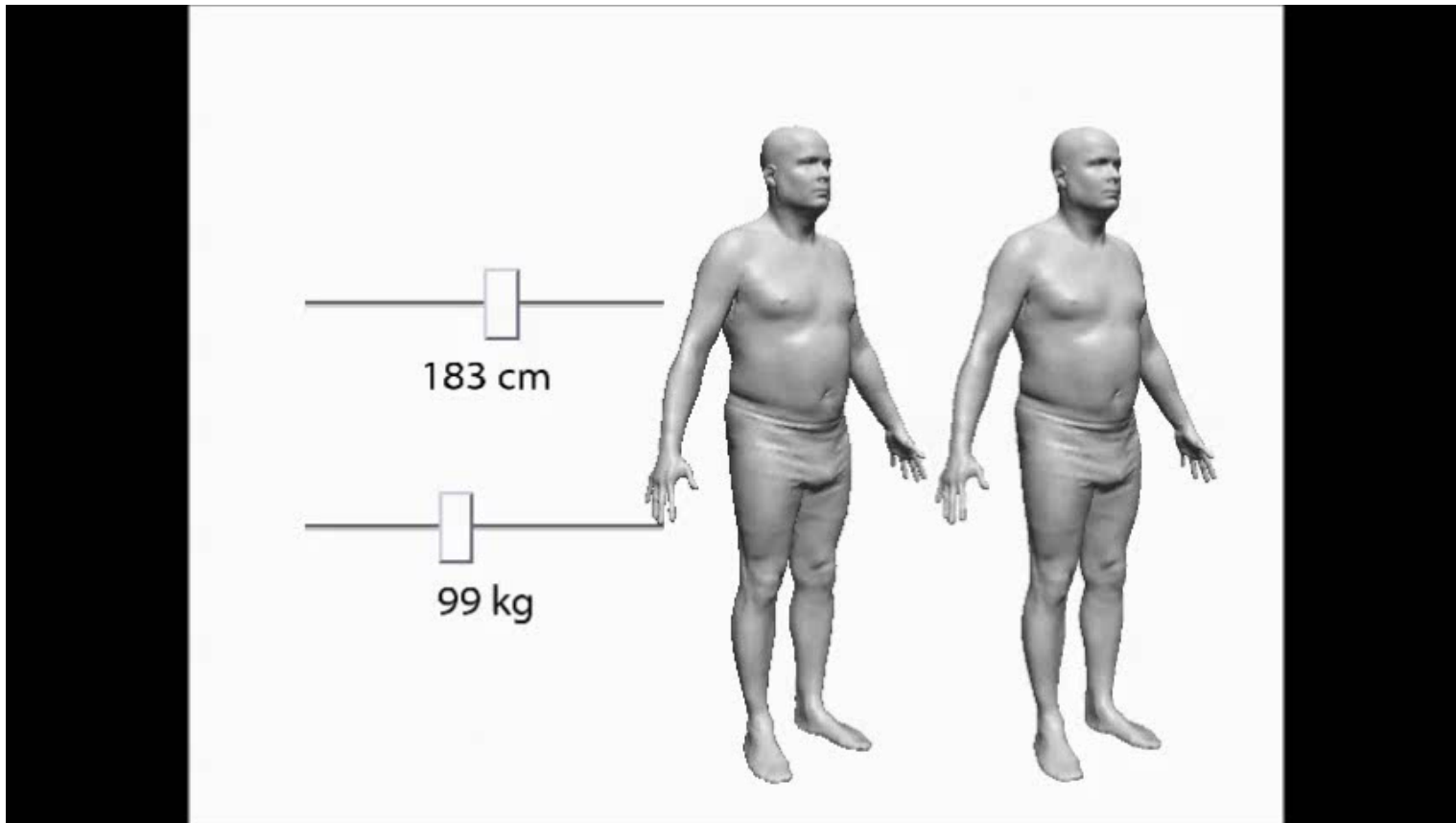
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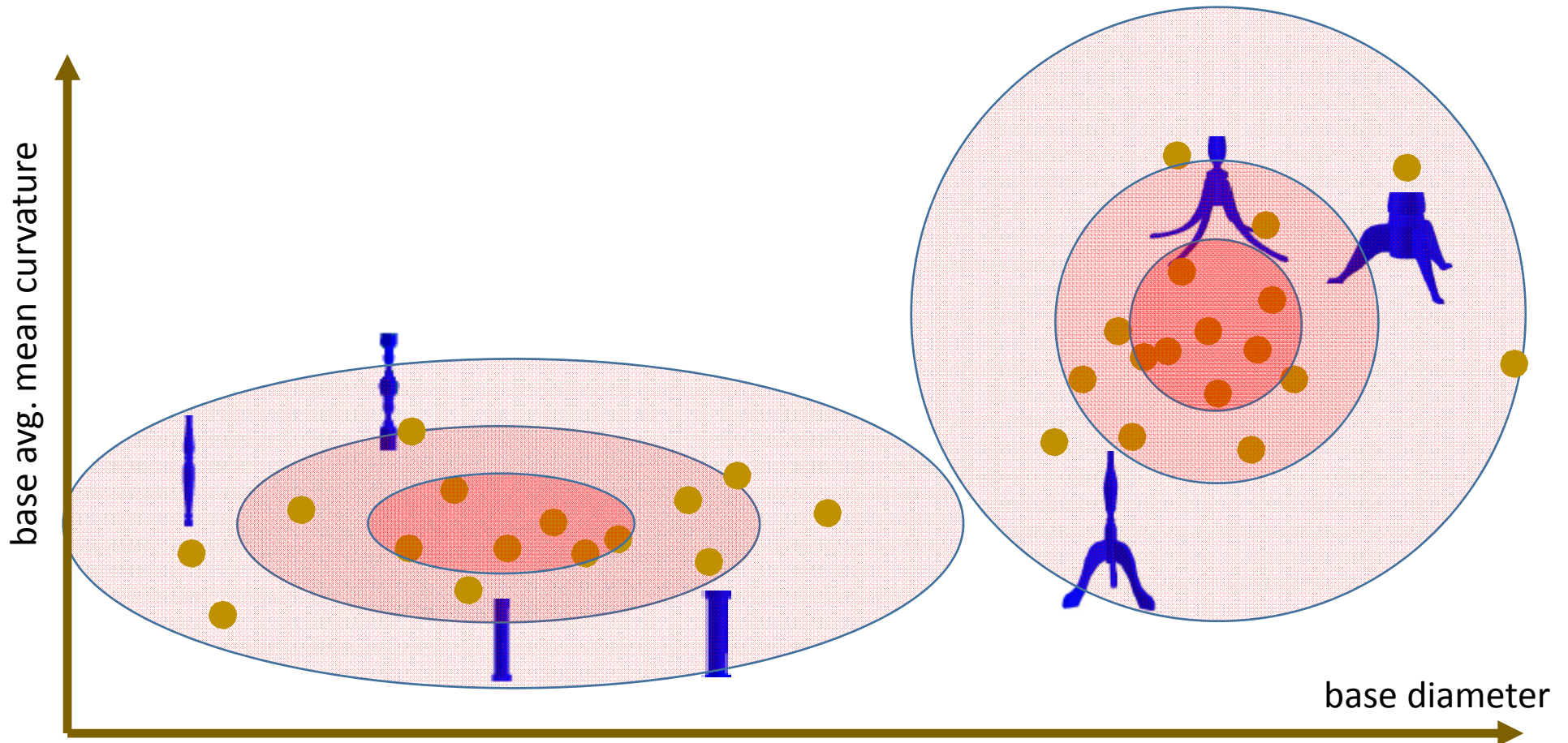
Given some training segmented shapes:



... and more ....

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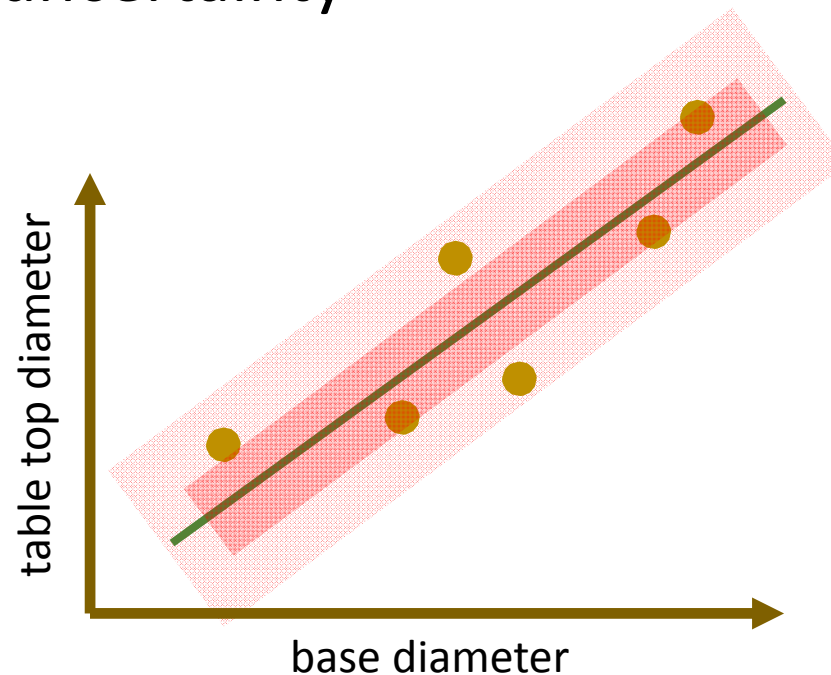
Describe shape space of parts with a probability distribution



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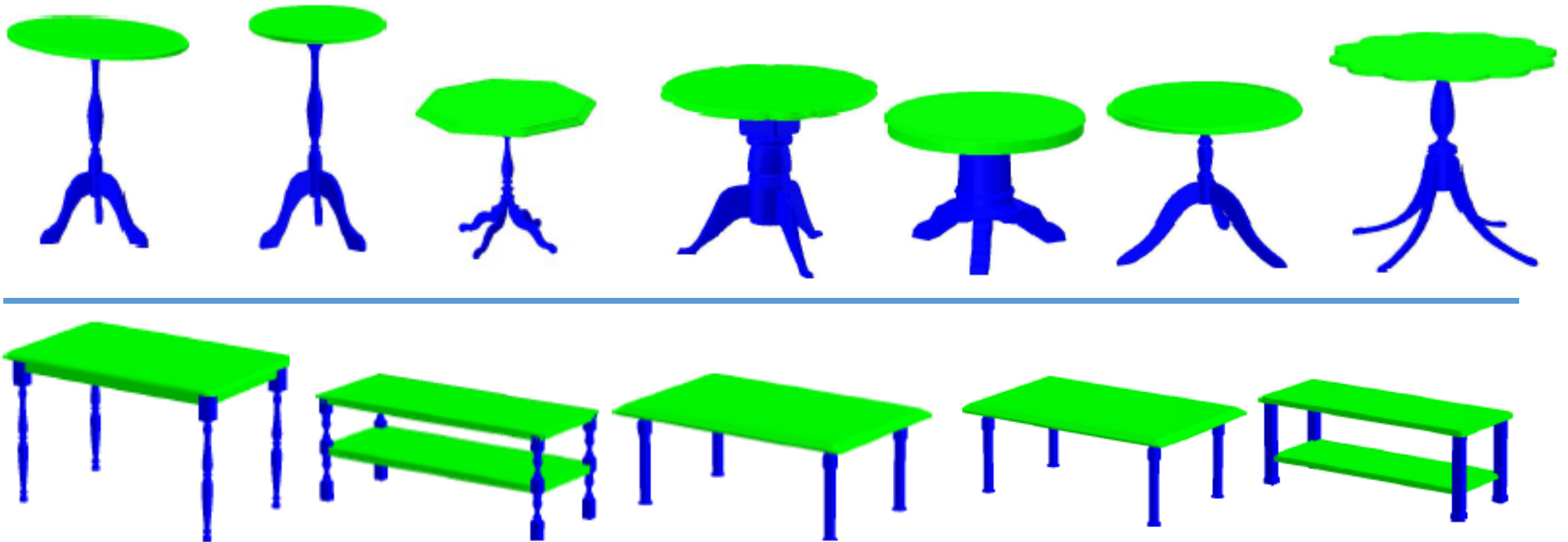
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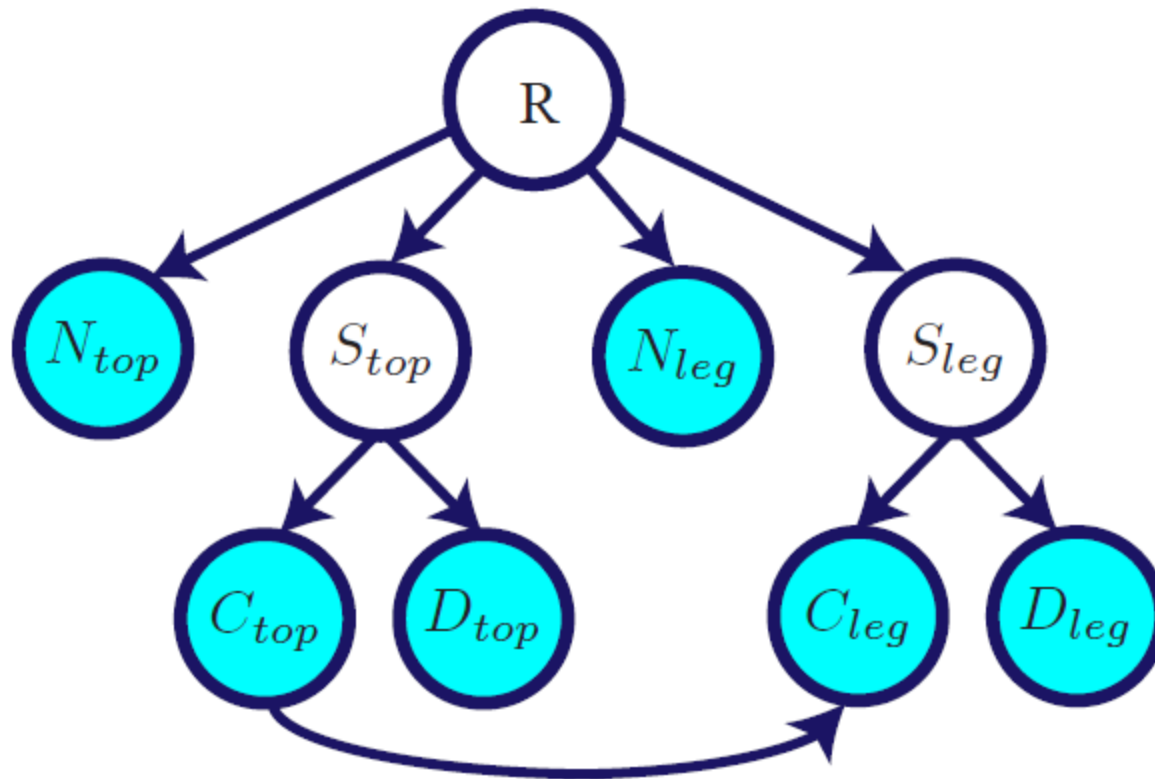
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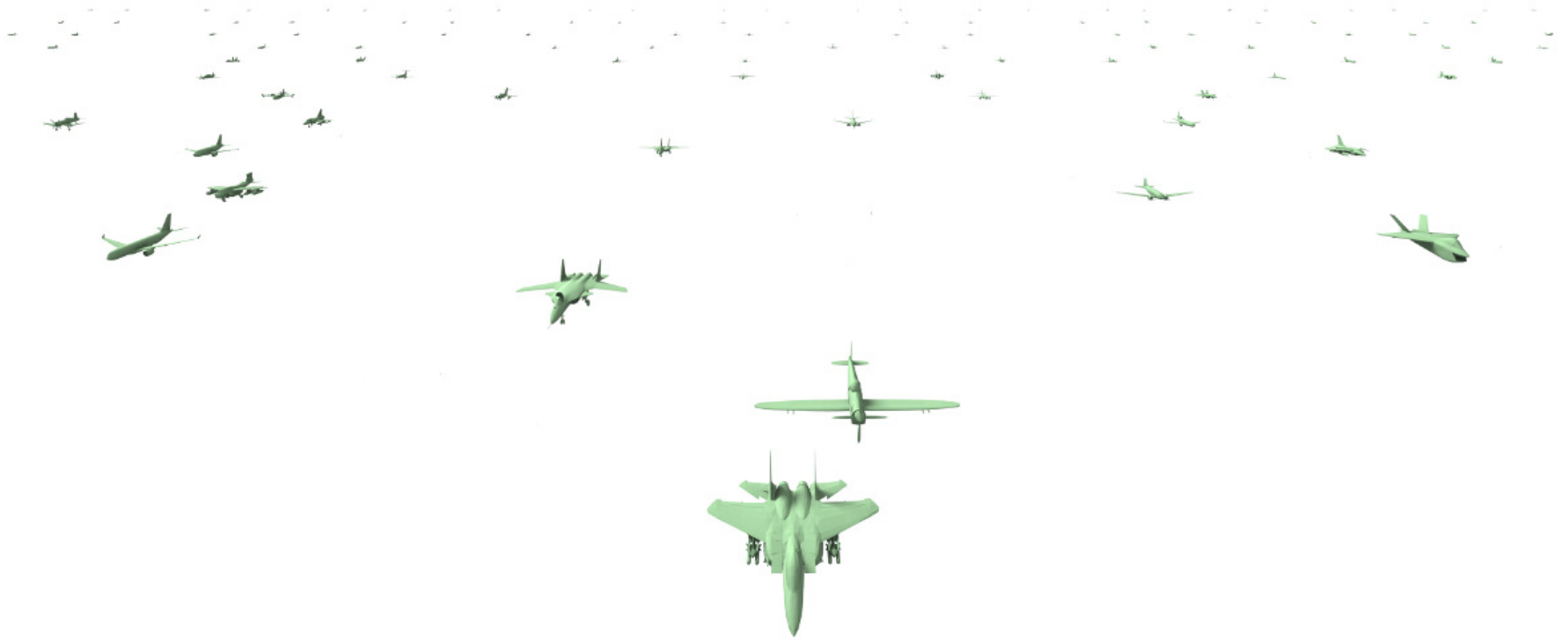
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Represent all these relationships within a structured probability distribution (probabilistic graphical model)



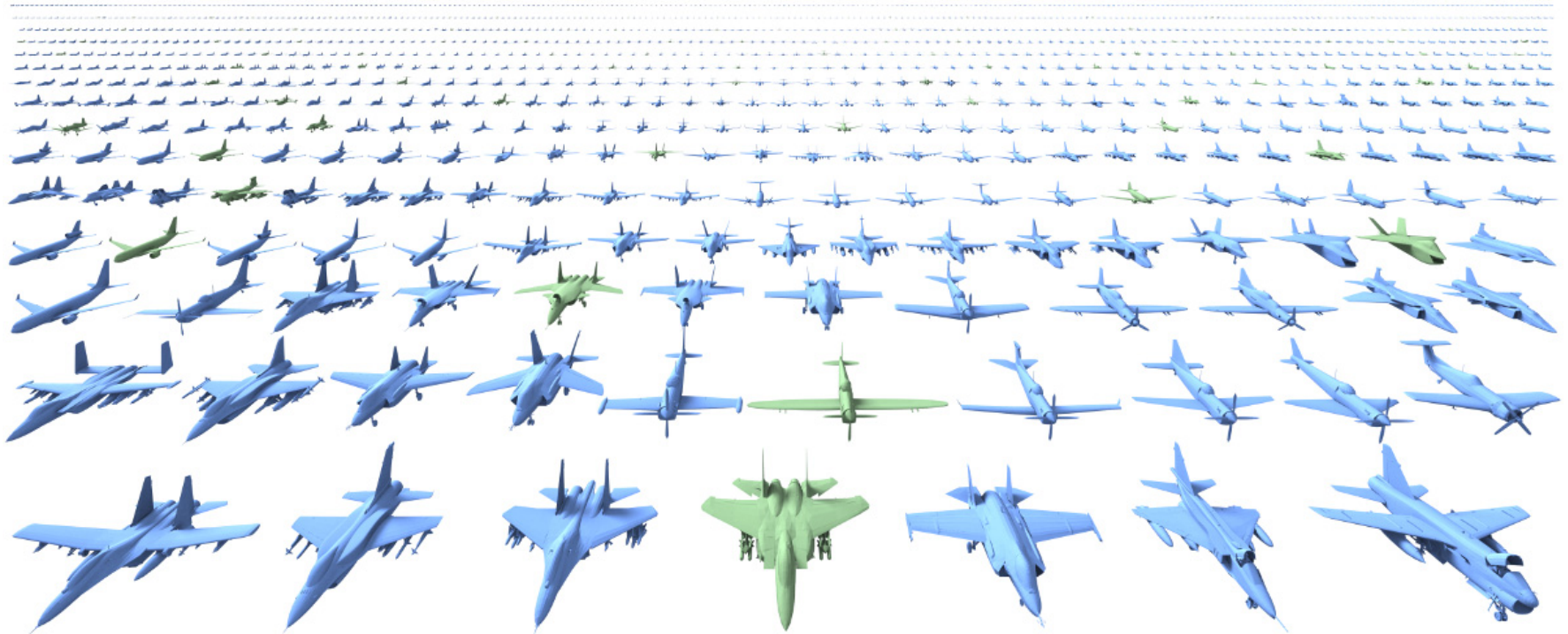


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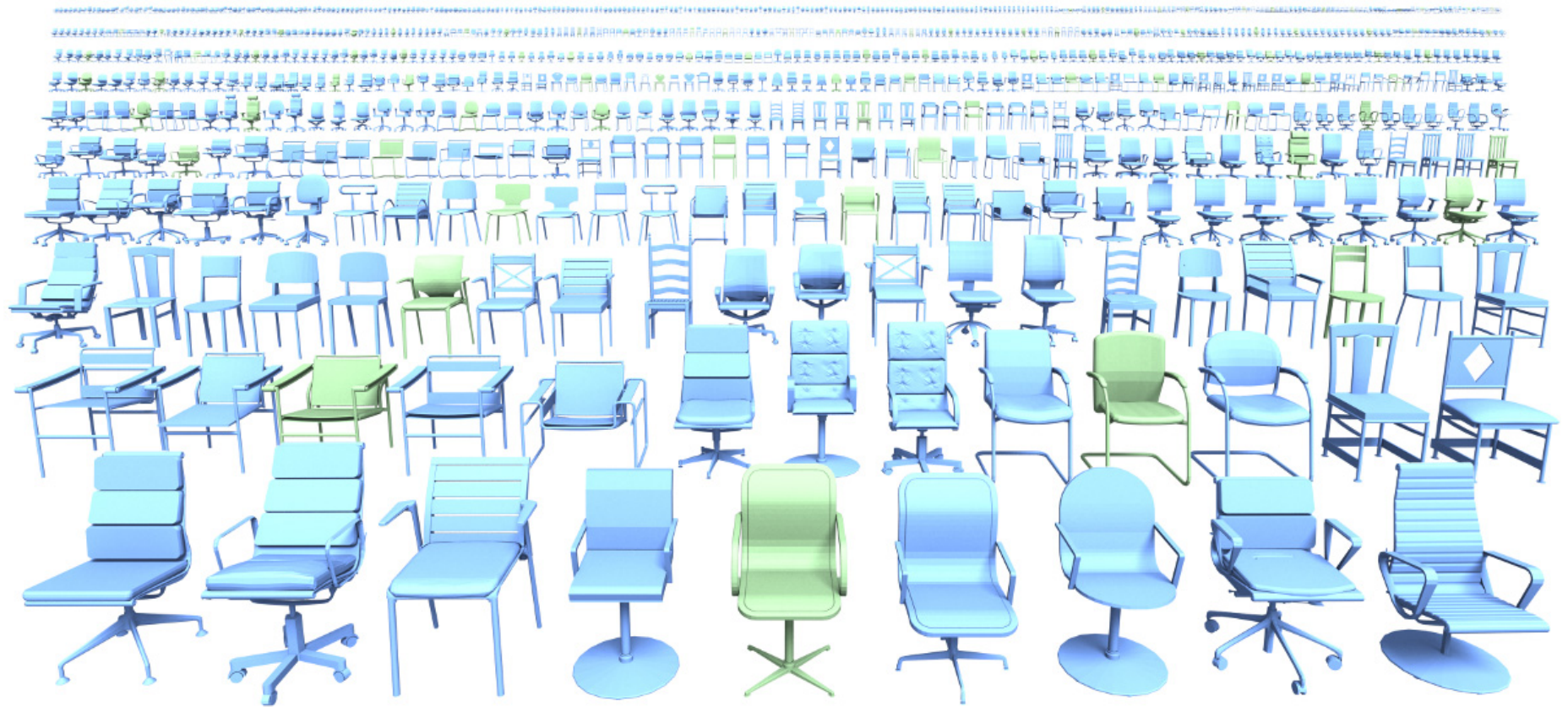
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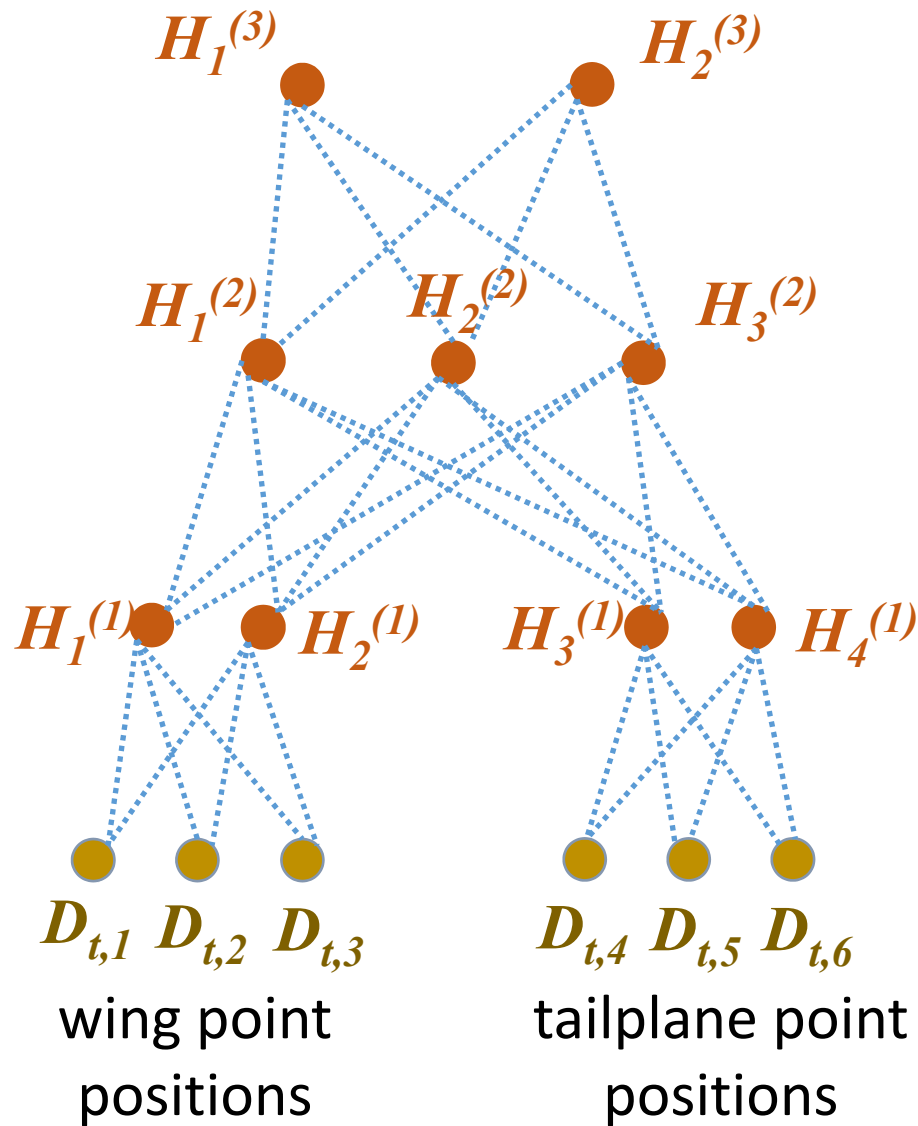
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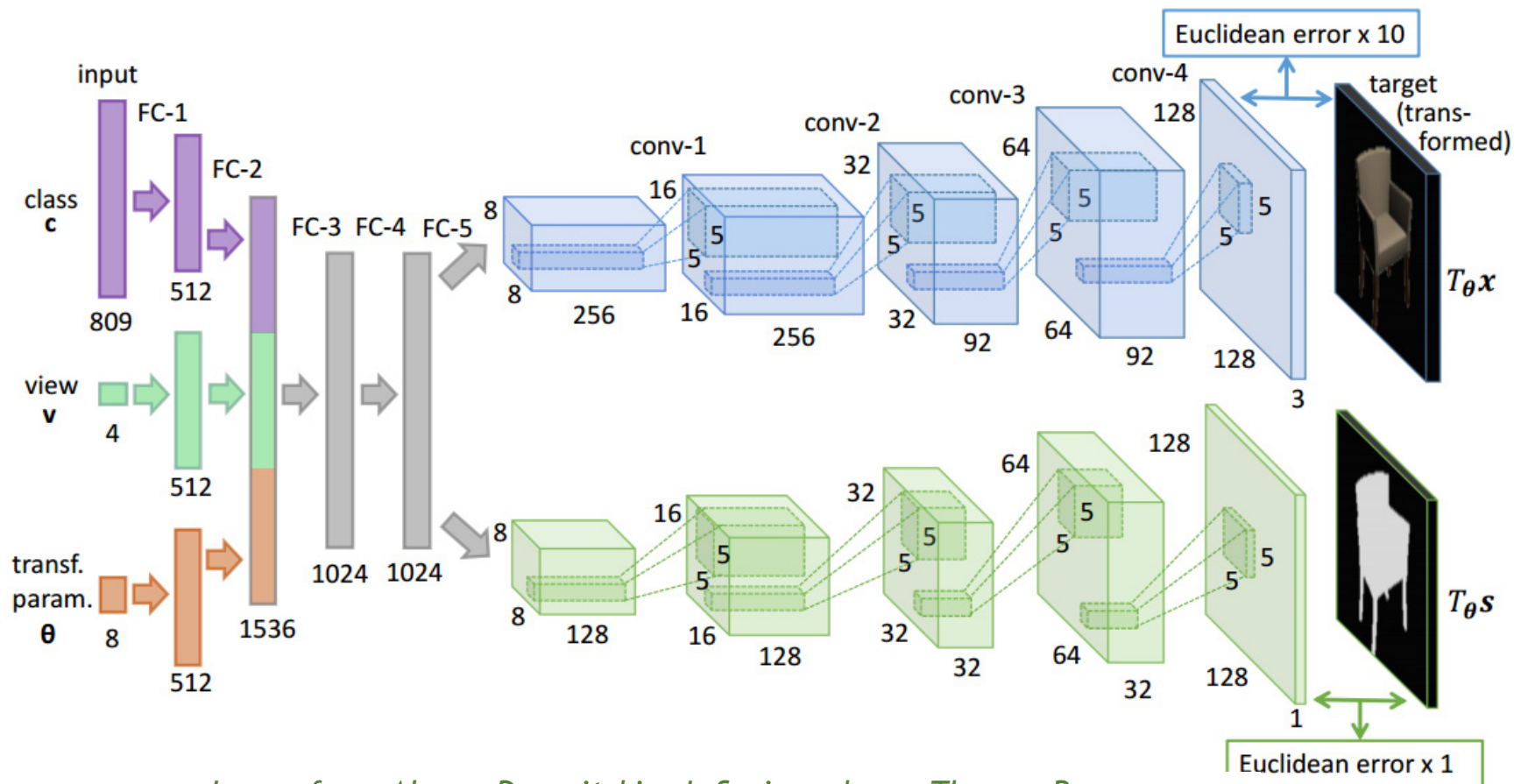
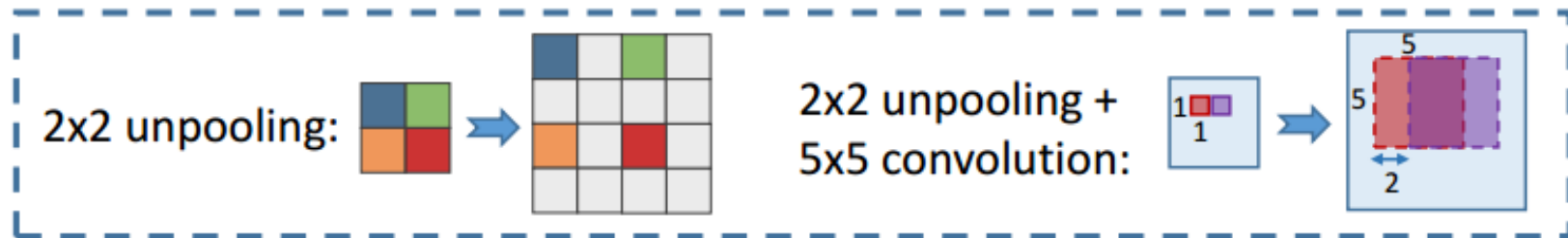


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