# Machine Learning Techniques for Geometric Modeling

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#### 3D models for digital entertainment



### 3D models for printing

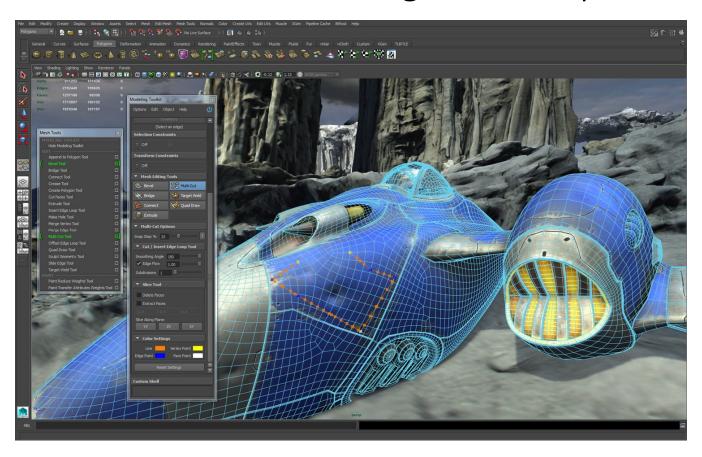


#### 3D models for architecture

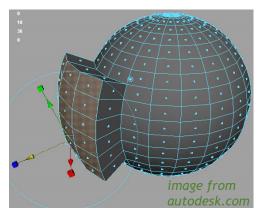


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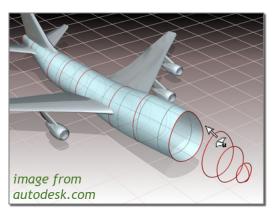
#### Geometric modeling is not easy!



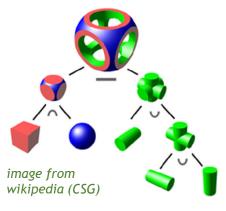
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Manipulating curves

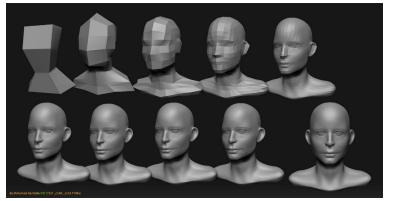


Manipulating 3D primitives



Manipulating control points, cages

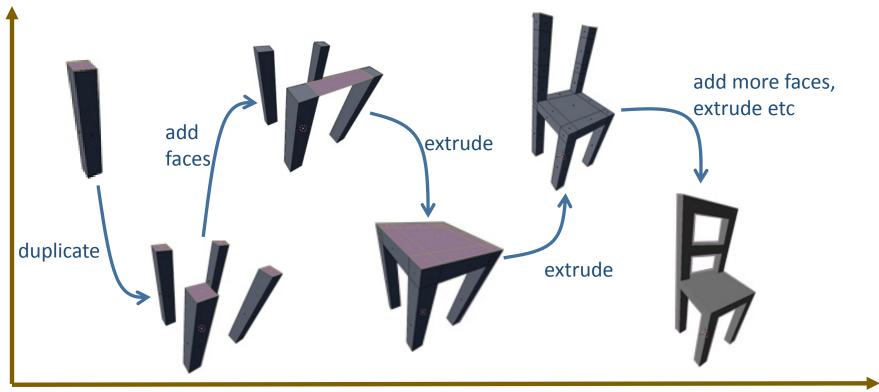




**Digital Sculpting** 

image from Mohamed Aly Rable

#### Think of a "shape space" traversed by "low-level" operations



"native" shape representation polygons, points, voxels...

Images from flossmanuals.net

#### "Traditional" Geometric Modeling

Impressive results at the hands of experienced users

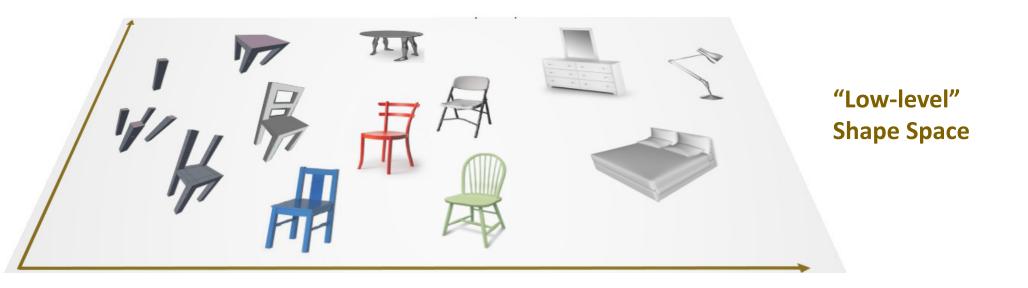
Operations requires exact and accurate input

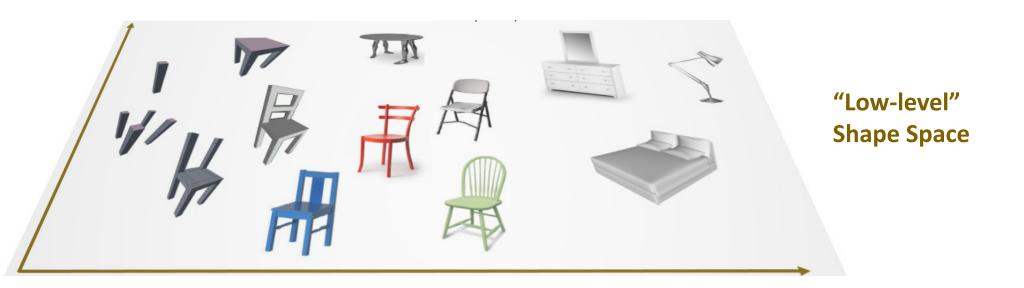
Creating compelling 3D models takes lots of time

Tools usually have steep learning curves

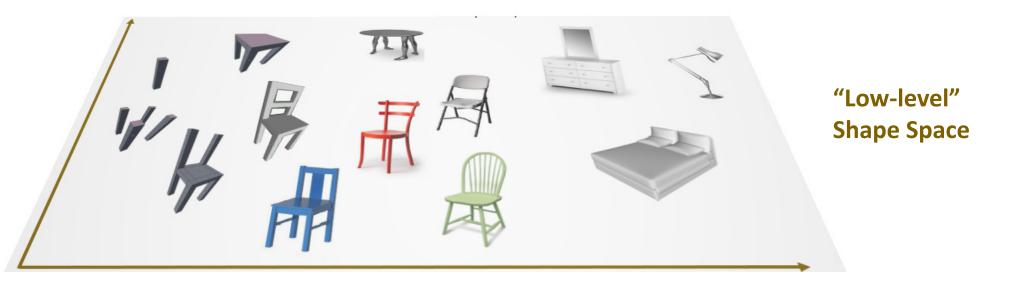
#### An alternative approach to geometric modeling

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

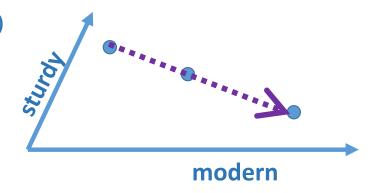




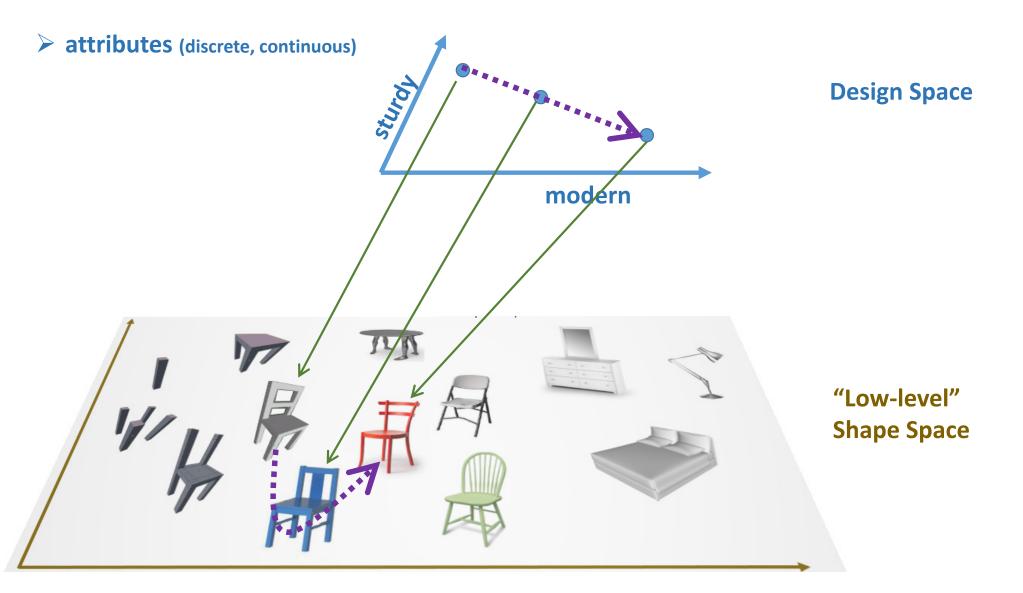


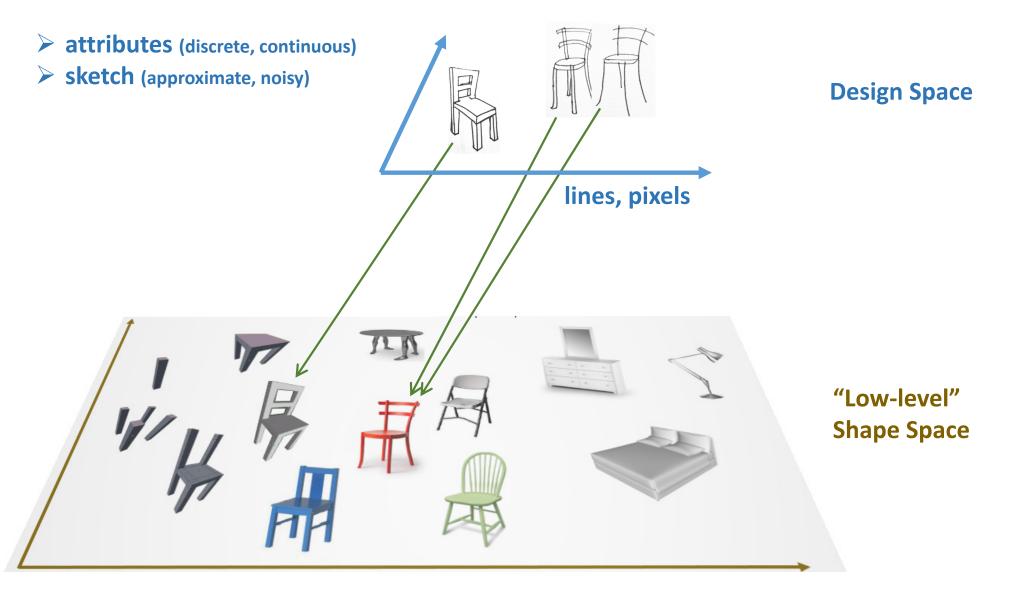


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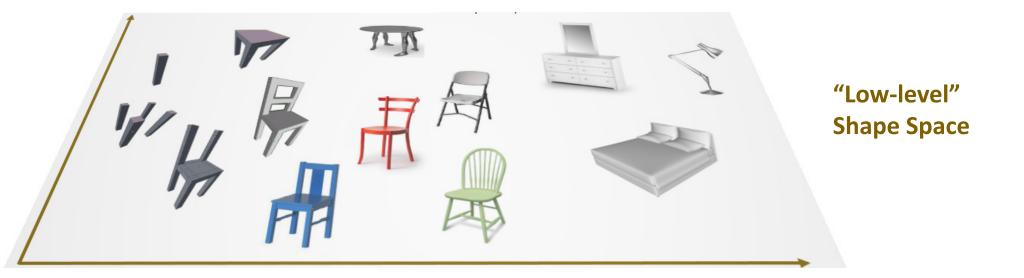






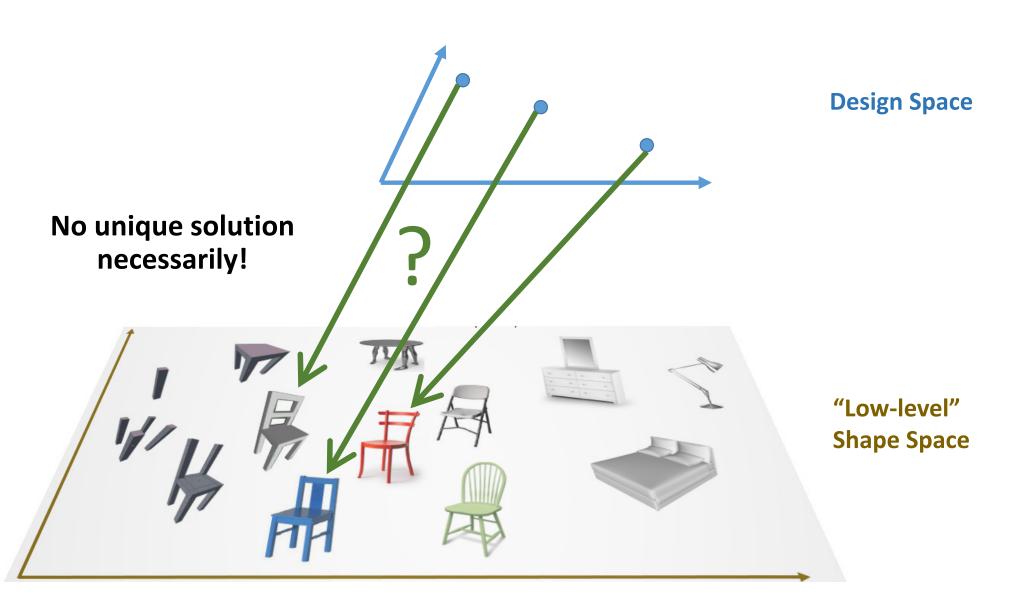
- > attributes (discrete, continuous)
- > sketch (approximate, noisy)
- > gestures
- > natural language
- brain signals etc





#### Machine learning for Geometric Modeling

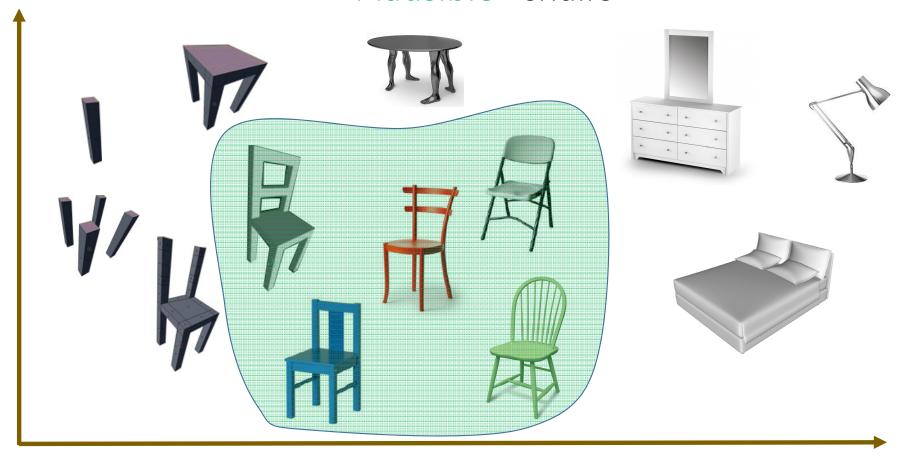
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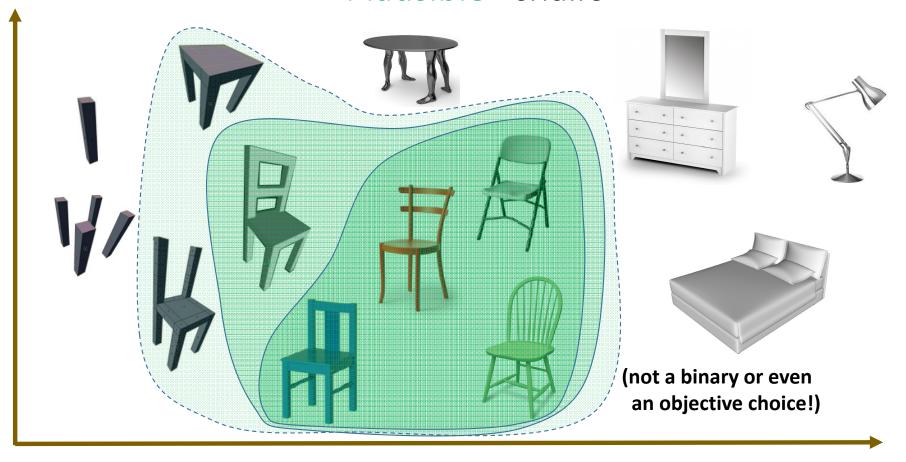
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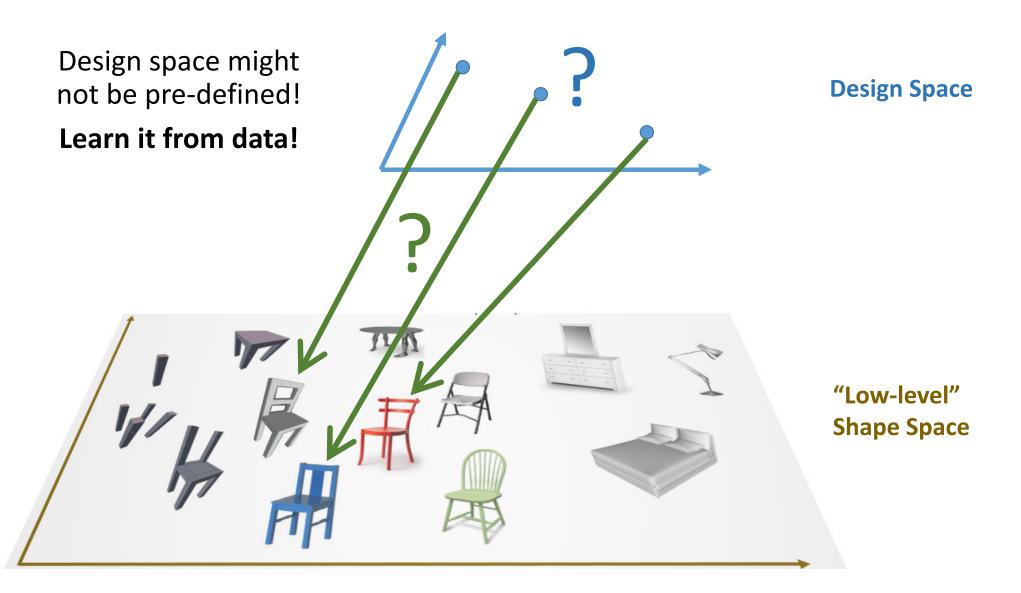


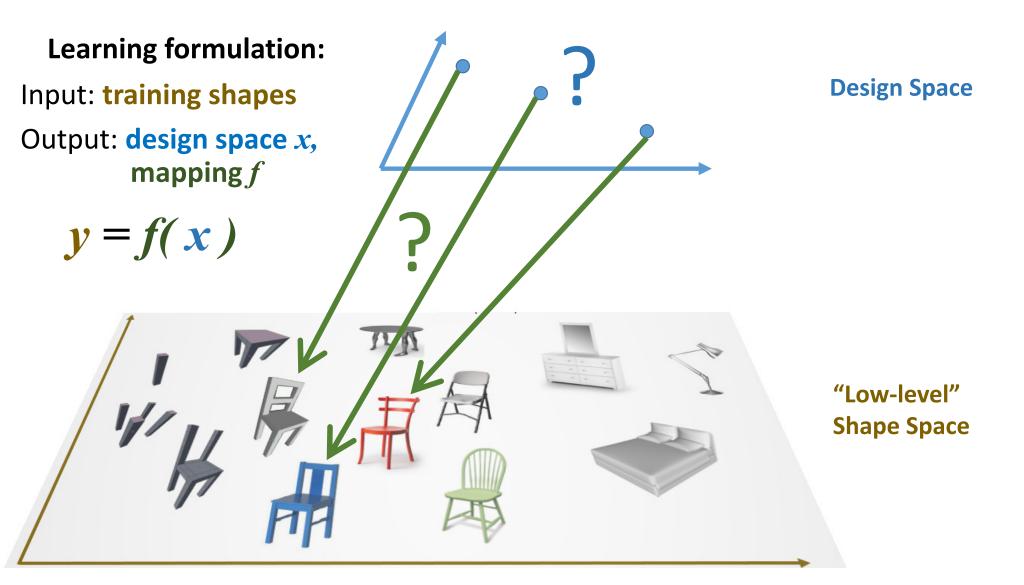
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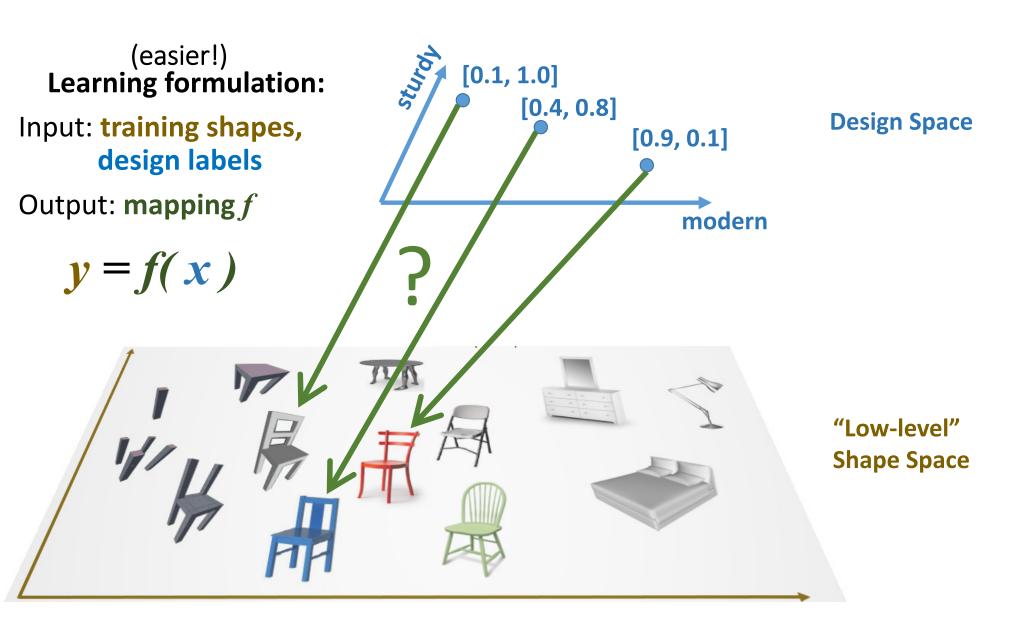


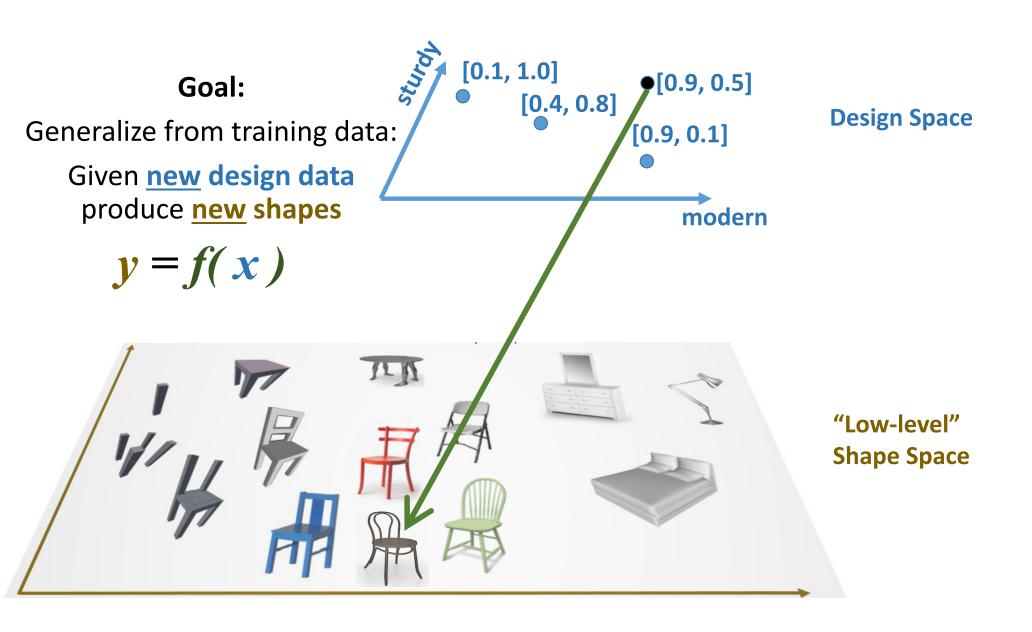
#### Machine learning for Geometric Modeling

- Learn mappings from design to "low-level" space
- Learn which shapes are probable ("plausible") given input
- Learn design space ("high-level" representation)





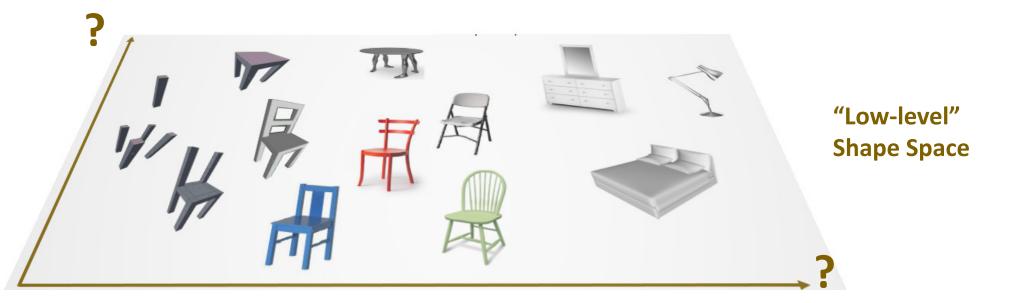




### Fundamental challenges

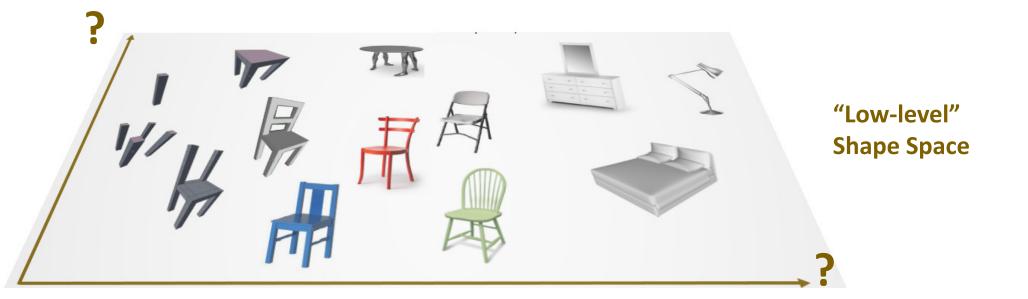
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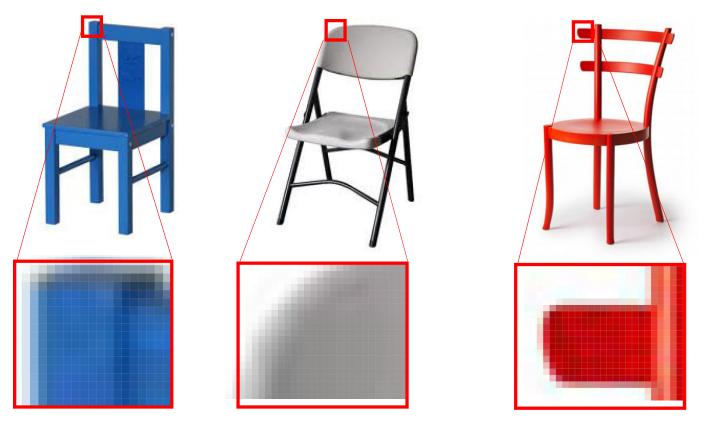
No. Take the first vertex on each mesh. Where is it?

Meshes have different number of vertices, faces etc



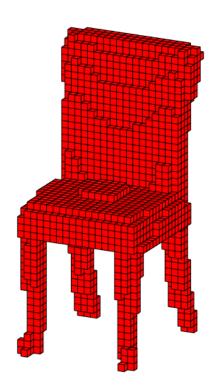
## "Low-level" shape space representation – the "computer vision" approach

Learn from pixels & multiple views! Produce pixels! Include view information?



### "Low-level" shape space representation – another "computer vision" approach

Learn from voxels! Produce voxels! Include orientation information?



## "Low-level" shape space representation – correspondences

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

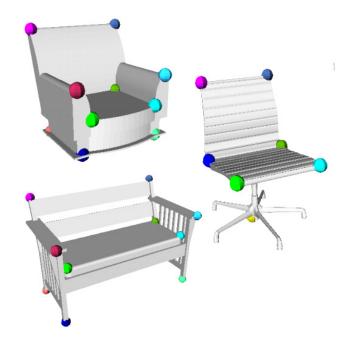


Image from Vladimir G. Kim, Wilmot Li, Niloy J. Mitra, Siddhartha Chaudhuri, Stephen DiVerdi, and Thomas Funkhouser, "Learning Part-based Templates from Large Collections of 3D Shapes", 2013

### "Low-level" shape space representation – abstractions

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

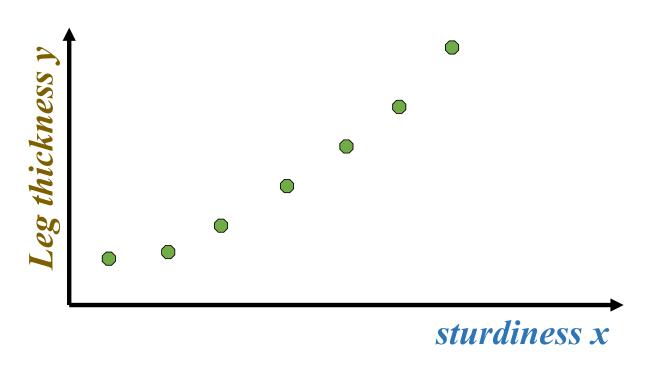


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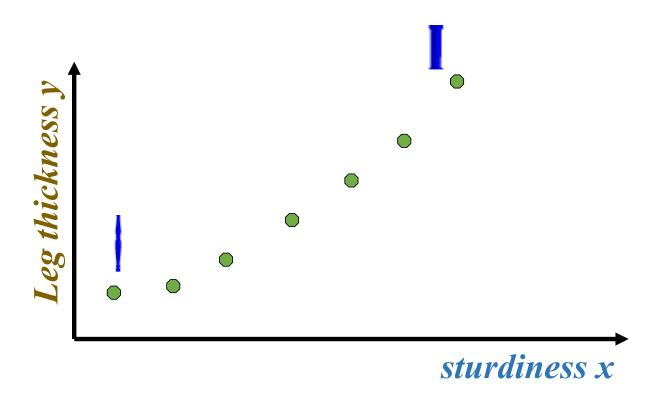
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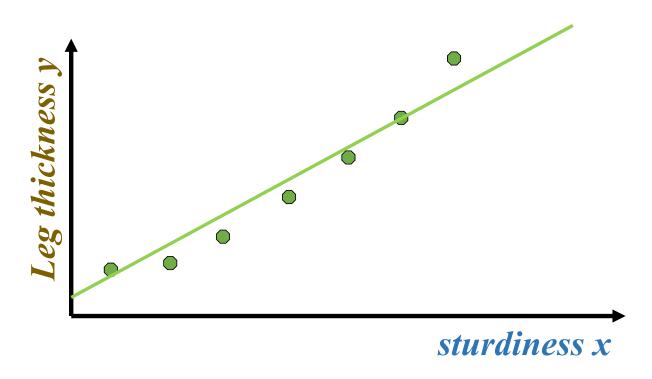
• What is the form of the mapping? How is it learned?

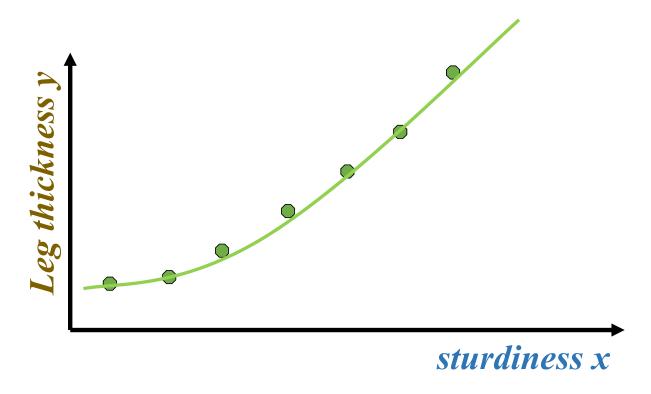
#### Regression example (simplistic)

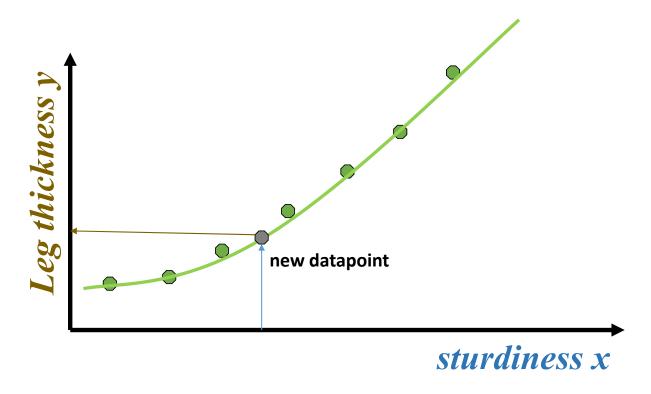


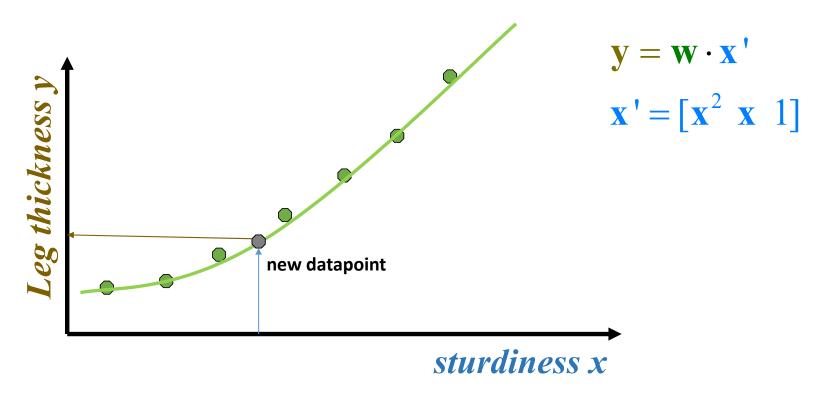
Training data point ( shape + design values )

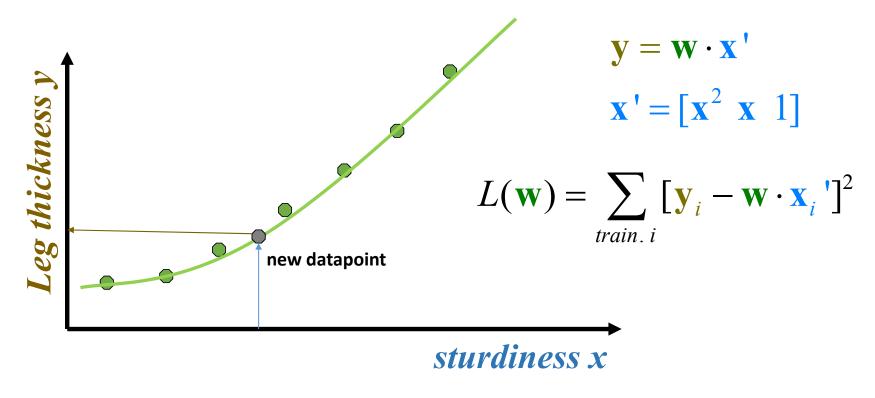


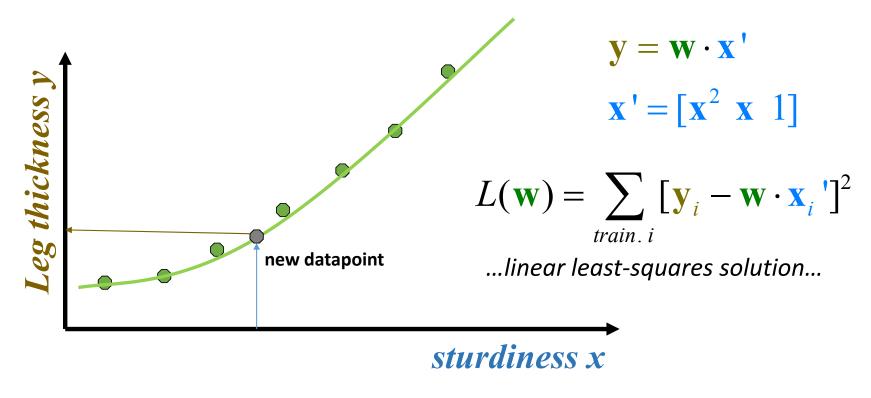












### Overfitting

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

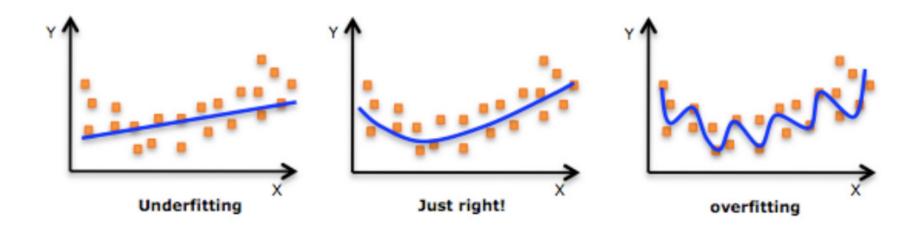


image from Andrew Ng's ML class (?)

## Classification example (Logistic Regression)

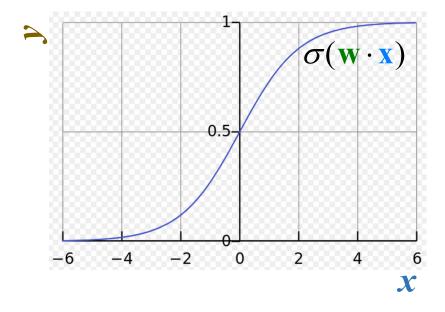
Suppose you want to predict pixels or voxels (on or off).

Probabilistic classification function:

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

where:

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



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Find parameters that maximize probability of training data

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

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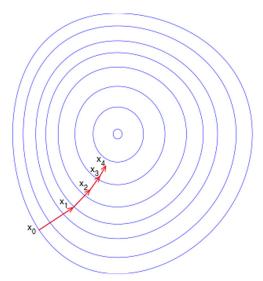
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$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_d} = \sum_i x_{i,d} [\sigma(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) - y_i]$$

(partial derivative for dth parameter)

How can you 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 and number of parameters is large!

Penalize large weights - shrink weights:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \sum_{d} \mathbf{w}_{d}^{2}$$

Called ridge regression (or L2 regularization)

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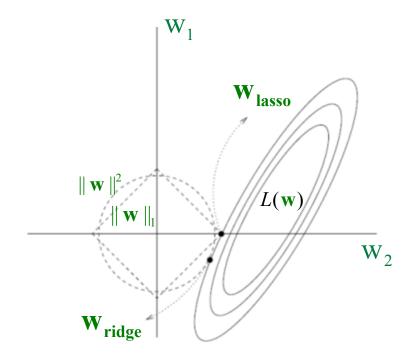
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Penalize non-zero weights - push as many as possible to **0**:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \sum_{d} |\mathbf{w}_{d}|$$

Called Lasso (or L1 regularization)

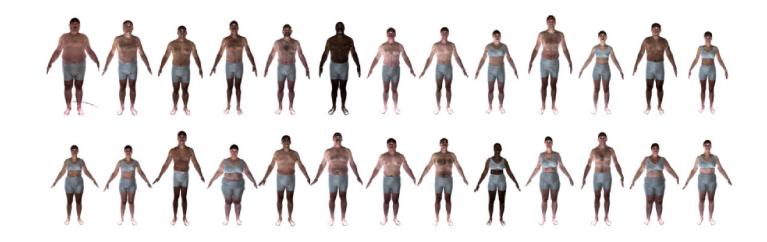
# Lasso vs Ridge Regression



Modified image from Robert Tibsirani, Regression shrinkage and selection via the lasso, 1996

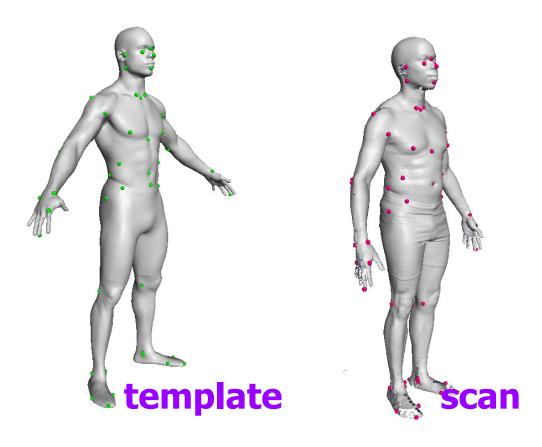
### Case study: the space of human bodies

Training shapes: 125 male + 125 female scanned bodies



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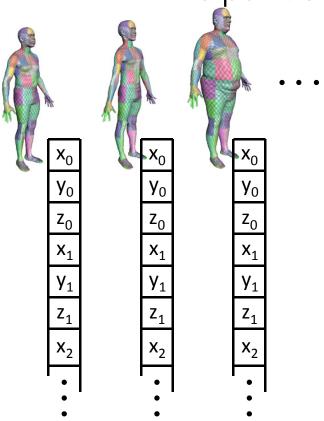


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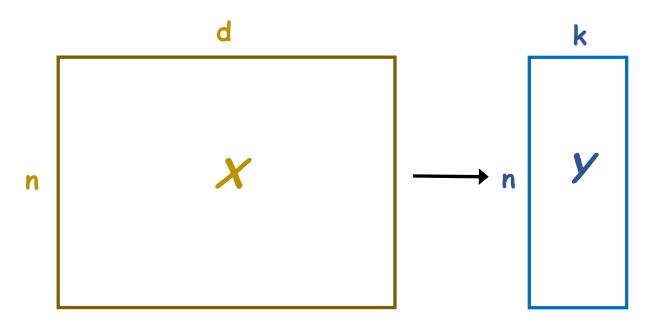
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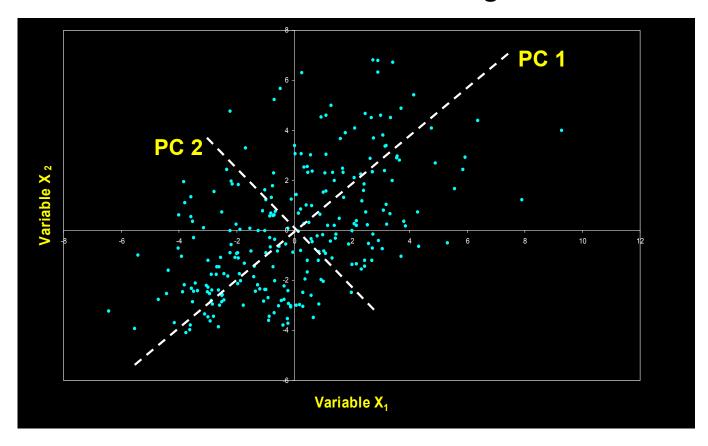
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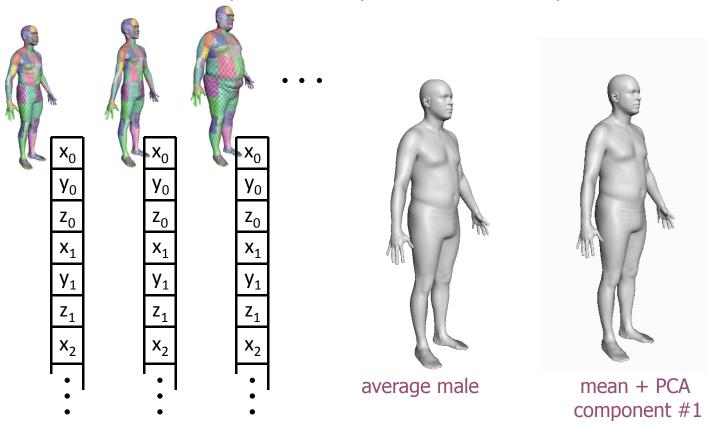
#### **Dimensionality Reduction**

Summarization of data with many (d) variables by a smaller set of (k) derived (synthetic, composite) variables.

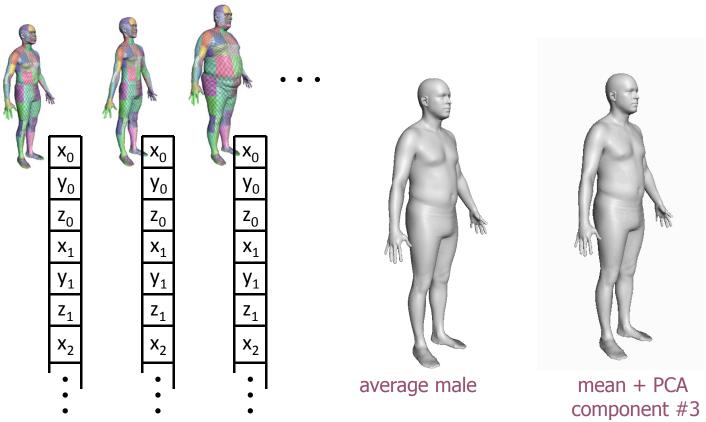


Each principal axis is a linear combination of the original variables





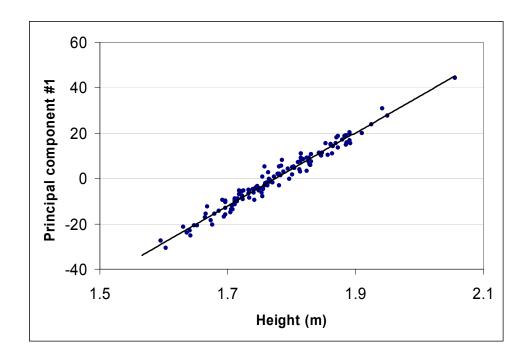
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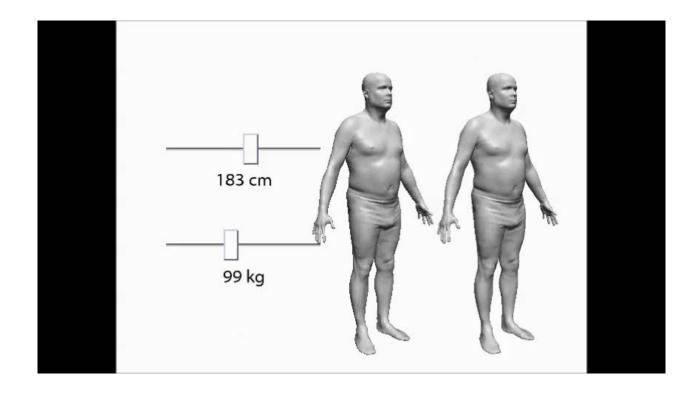
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#### Correlate PCA space with known attributes:



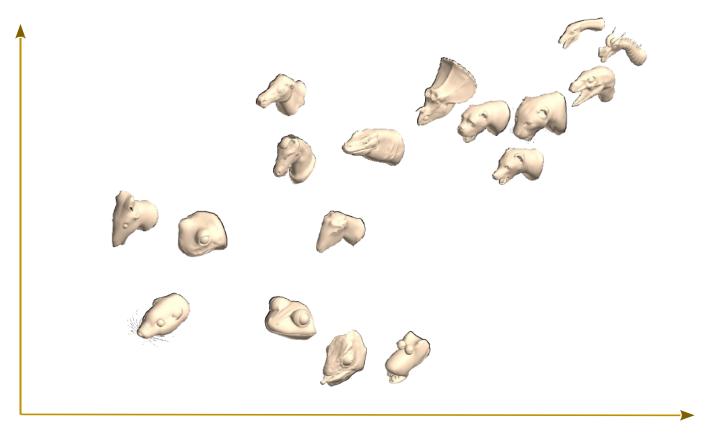
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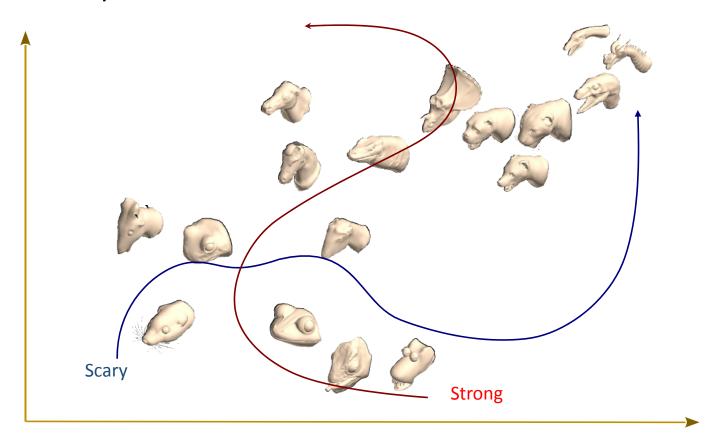
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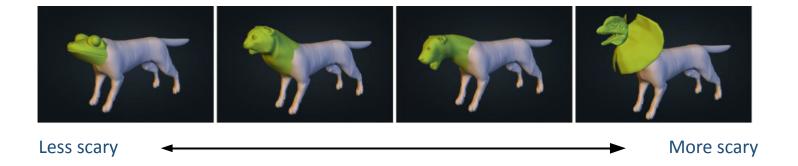
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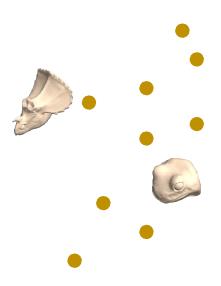
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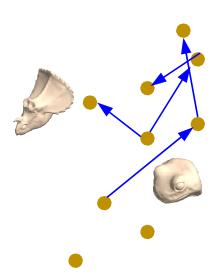
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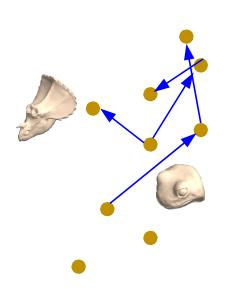
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#### Learn attribute strength:

$$r_m(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

subject to crowdsourced constraints:

$$\forall (i,j) \in O_m : \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_i > \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_j$$
  
 $\forall (i,j) \in S_m : \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_j$ 

minimize 
$$\|\mathbf{w}_m\|_2^2 + \mu \sum_{i,j \in O_m} c_{ij} (1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w}_m(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)))$$
  
  $+ \nu \sum_{i,j \in S_m} c_{ij} \sigma(|\mathbf{w}_m(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)|)$ 

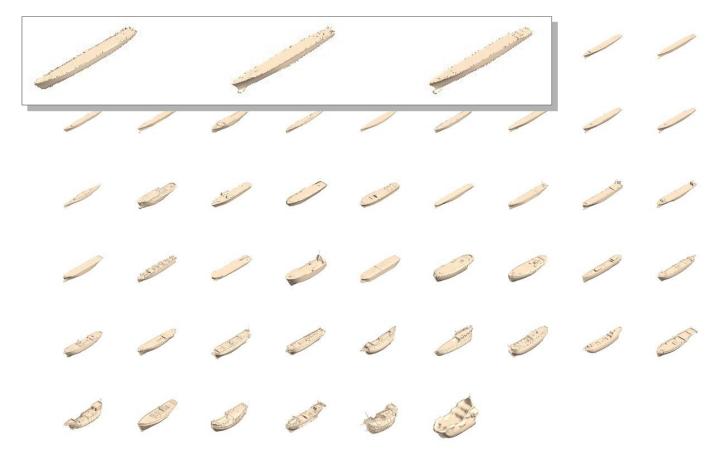
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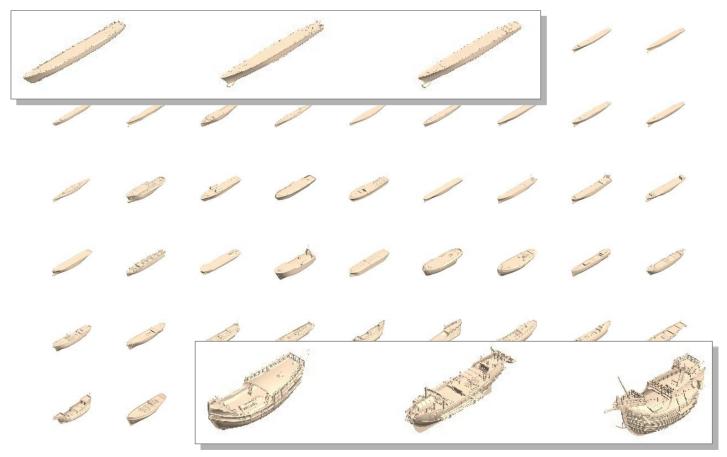
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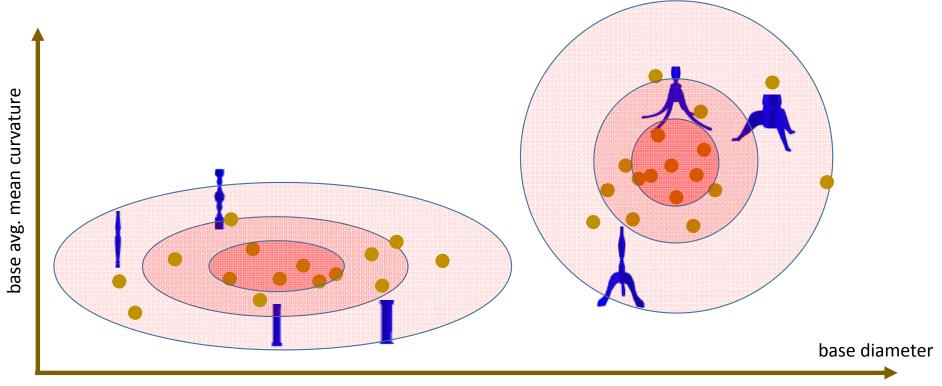
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#### Given some training segmented shapes:

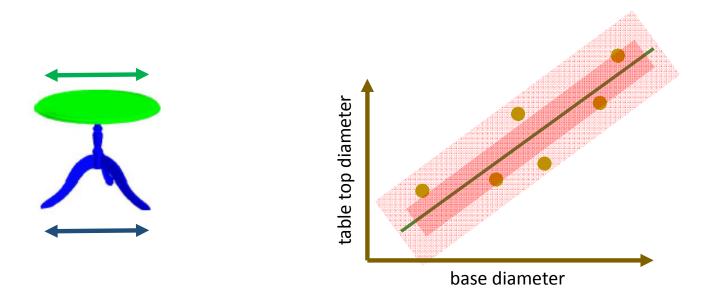


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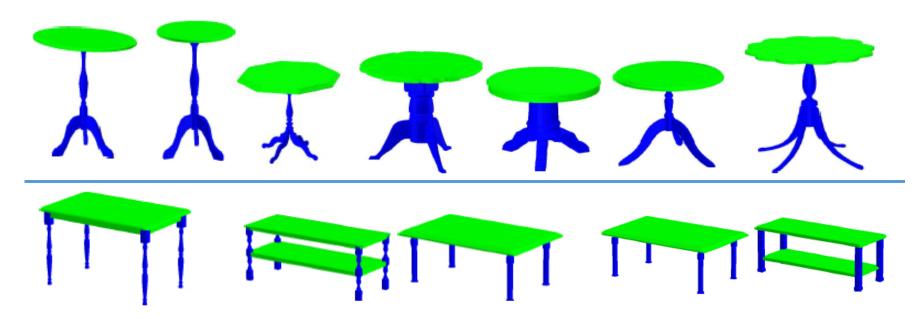
Describe shape space of parts with a probability distribution



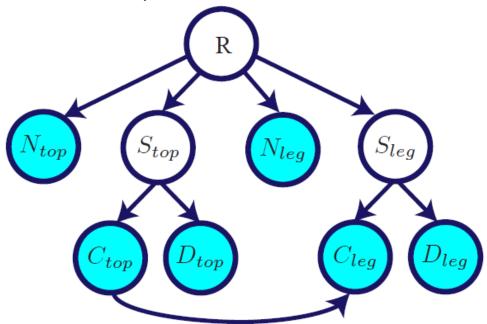
Learn relationships between different part parameters within each cluster e.g. diameter of table top is related to scale of base plus some uncertainty



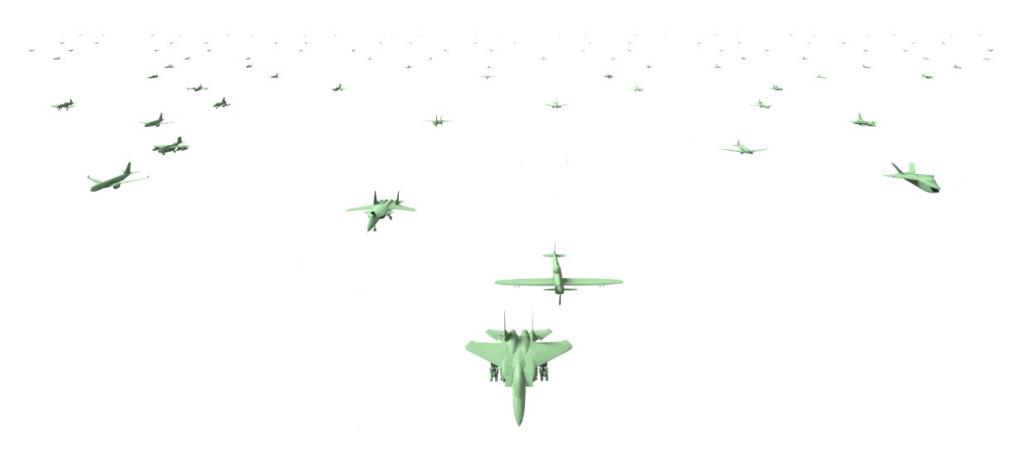
Learn relationships between part clusters e.g. circular table tops are associated with bases with split legs



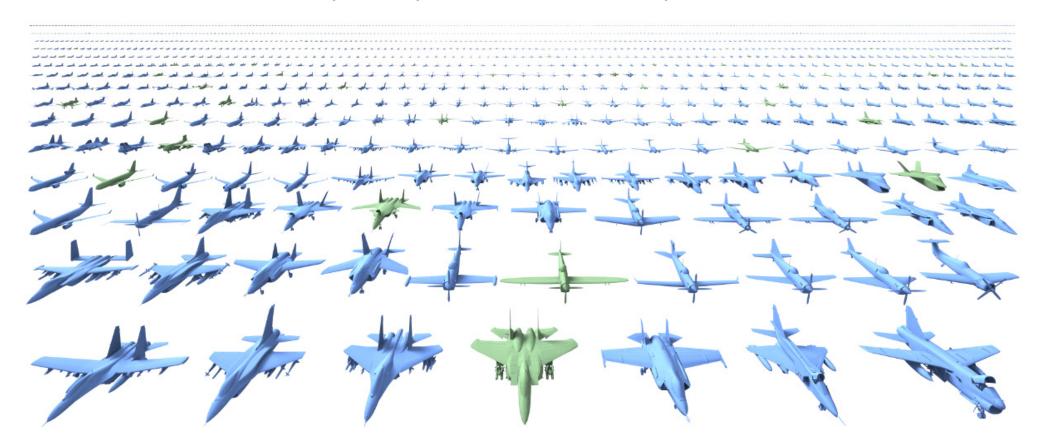
Represent all these relationships within a structured probability distribution (probabilistic graphical model)



# Shape Synthesis - Airplanes



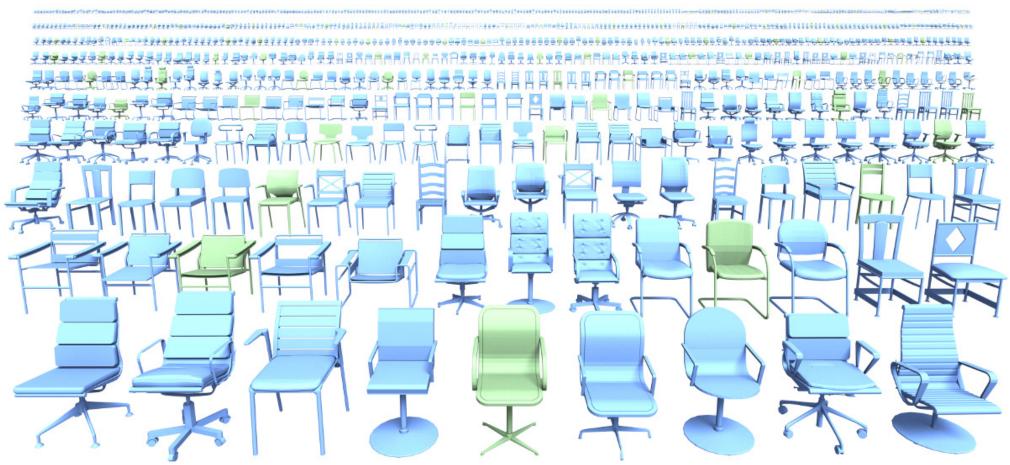
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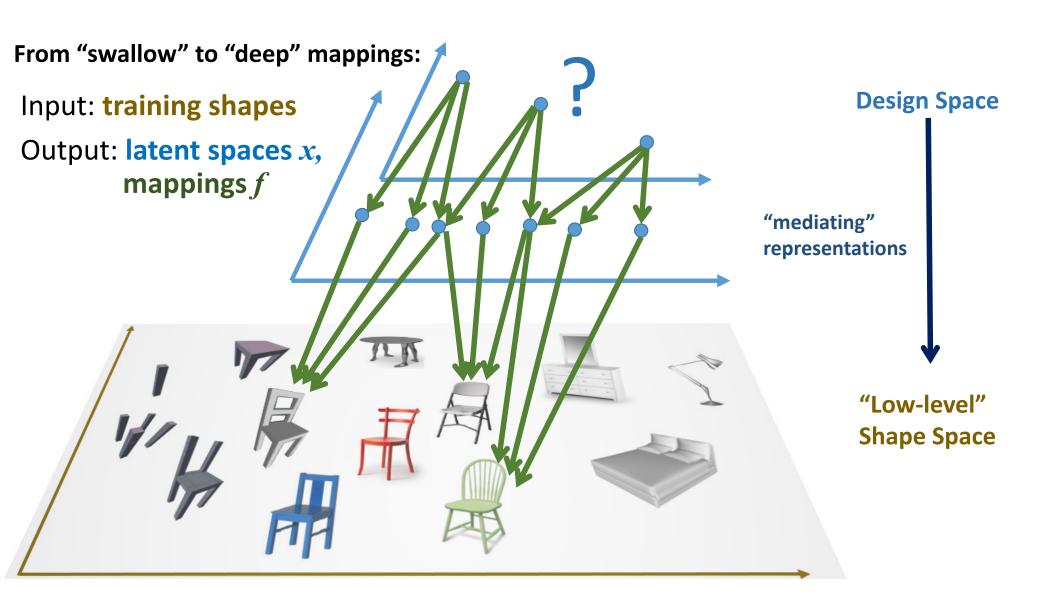


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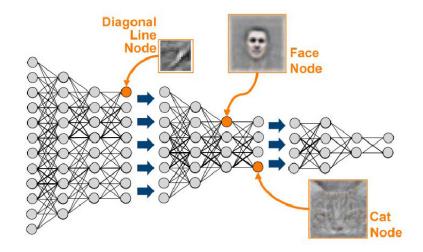




### From "swallow" to "deep" mappings (networks)

Images, shapes, natural language have compositional structure

Deep neural networks!



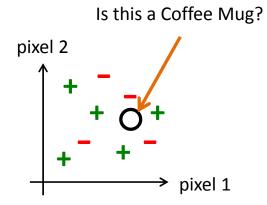
Note: Let's discuss them in the case of 2D images for now! Also let's map from images to high-level representations. We'll see how this can be reversed later.

### Motivation

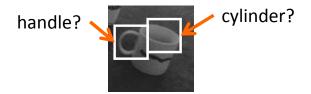


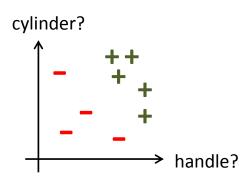
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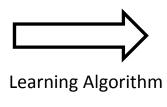
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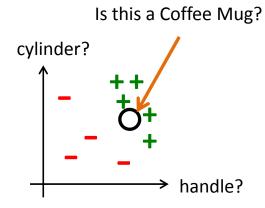


### Motivation









- + Coffee Mug
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# "Traditional" recognition pipeline

Fixed/engineered descriptors + **trained** classifier/regressor



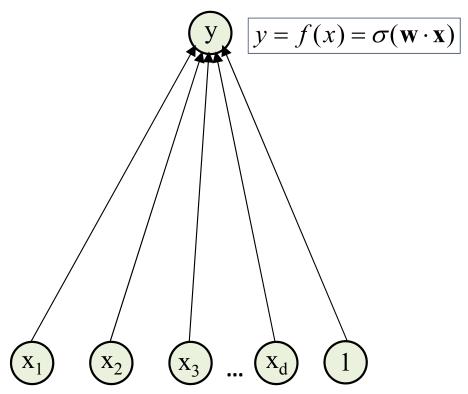
# "New" recognition pipeline

#### **Trained** descriptors + **trained** classifier/regressor



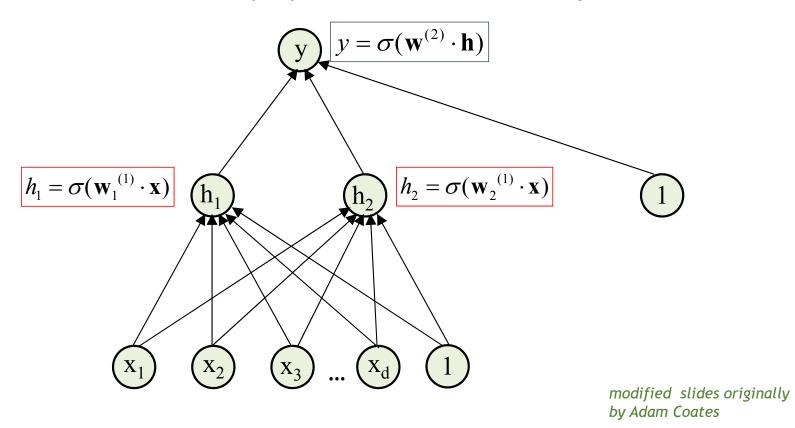
# From "swallow" to "deep" mappings (networks)

In logistic regression, output was a direct function of inputs. Conceptually, this can be thought of as a network:



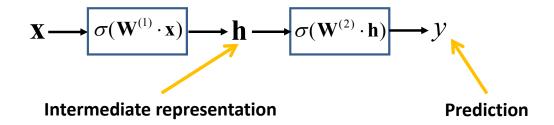
### Basic idea

Introduce latent nodes that will play the role of learned representations.



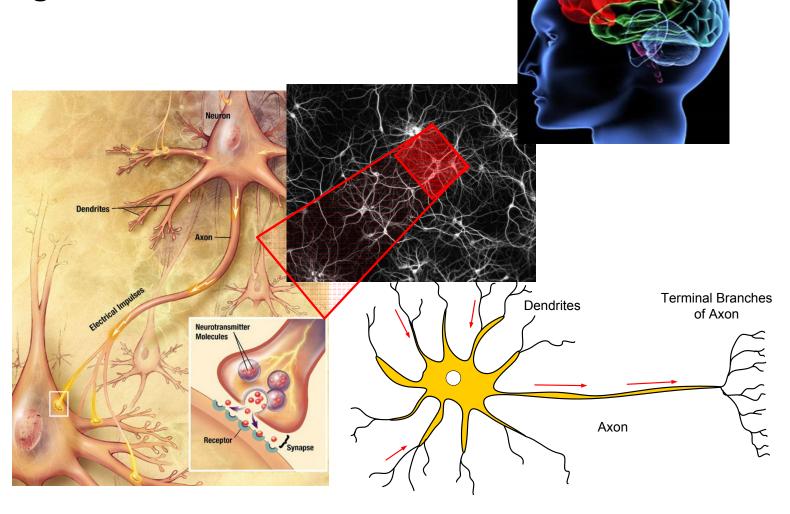
#### Neural network

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

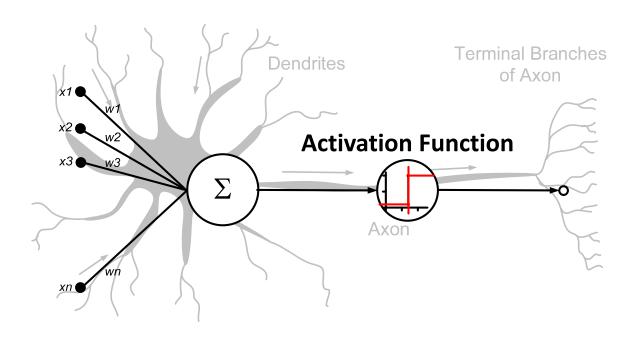


where 
$$\mathbf{W}^{(\cdot)} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w_1}^{(\cdot)} \\ \mathbf{w_2}^{(\cdot)} \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{w}_m^{(\cdot)} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Biological Neurons

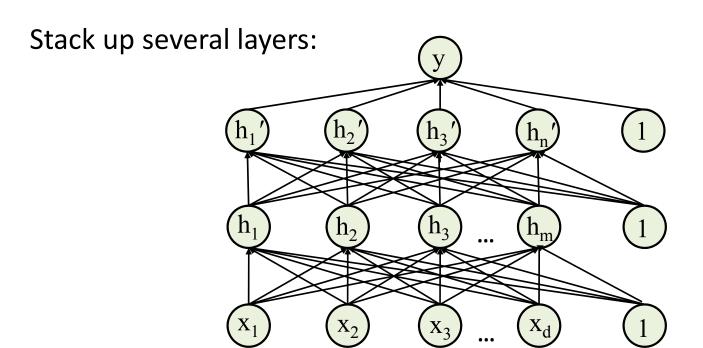


### Analogy with biological networks



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### Neural network



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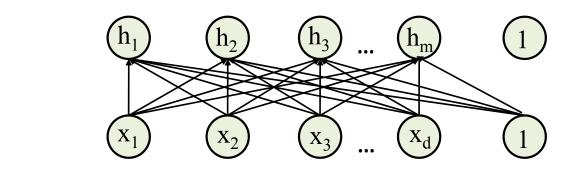






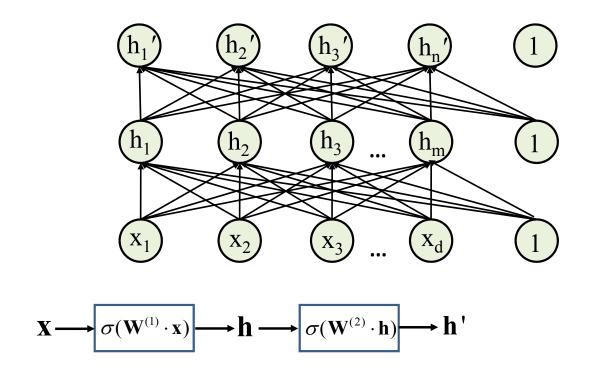


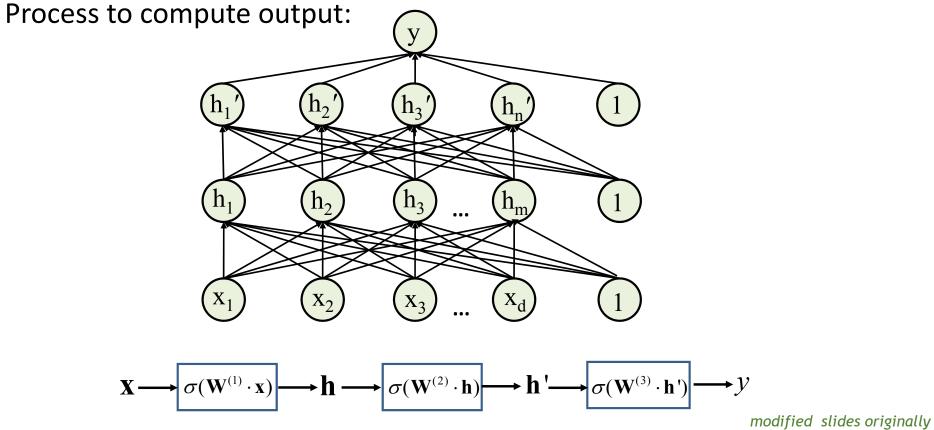
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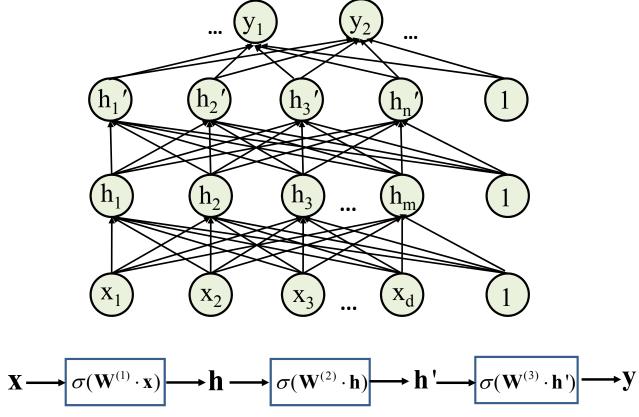


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# Multiple outputs



### How can you learn the parameters?

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

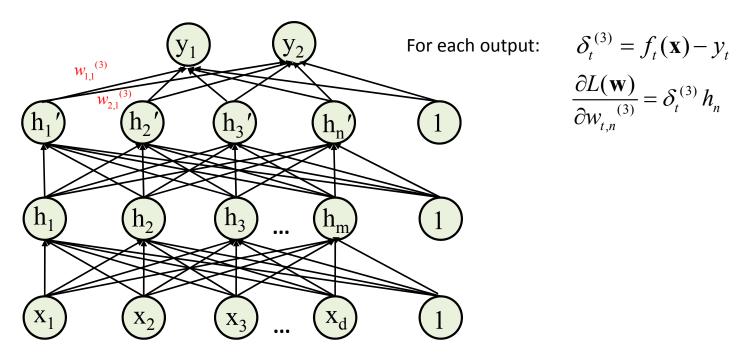
$$L(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{output\ t} [\mathbf{y}_{i,t} == 1] \log f_t(\mathbf{x}_i) + [\mathbf{y}_{i,t} == 0] \log(1 - f_t(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

For regression:

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

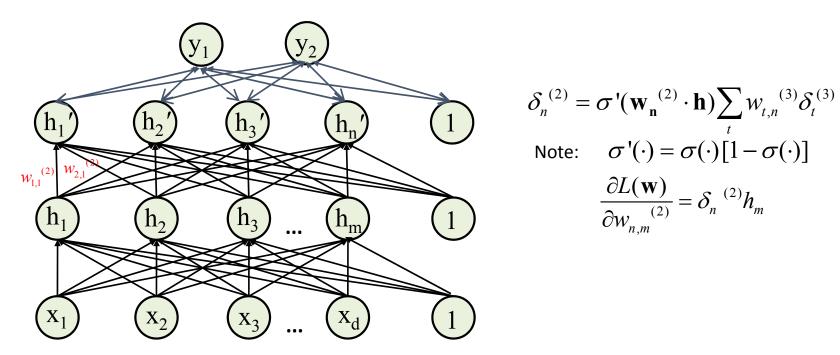
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For each training example i (omit index i for clarity):



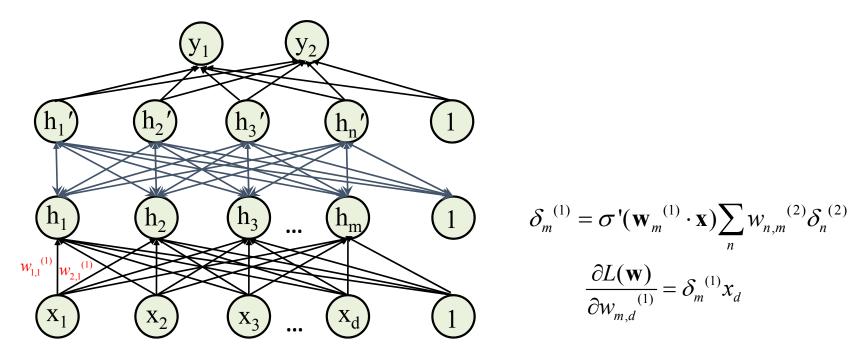
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### Is this magic?

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...

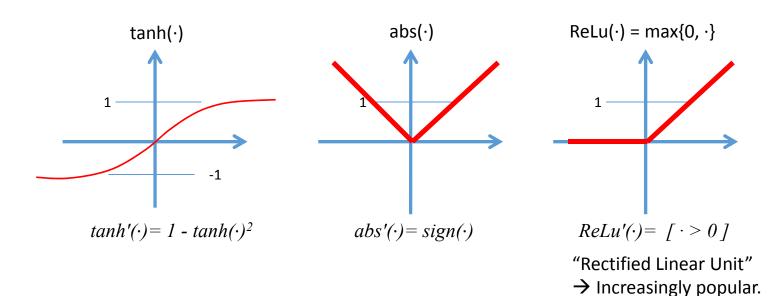


## Yet, this does not work so easily...

- 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:



[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]

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

Unsupervised pre-training

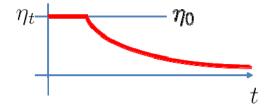
# Step size

#### • 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:

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

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.

## Regularize!

• Adding **L2 regularization** term to the loss function:

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

• Adding **L1 regularization** term to the loss function:

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} (L(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \| \mathbf{w} \|_{1})$$

# Yet, things will not still work well!

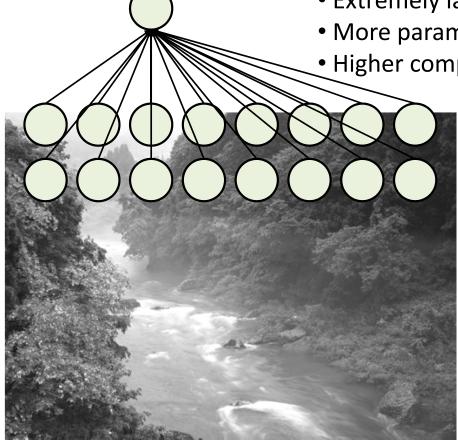


# Main problem



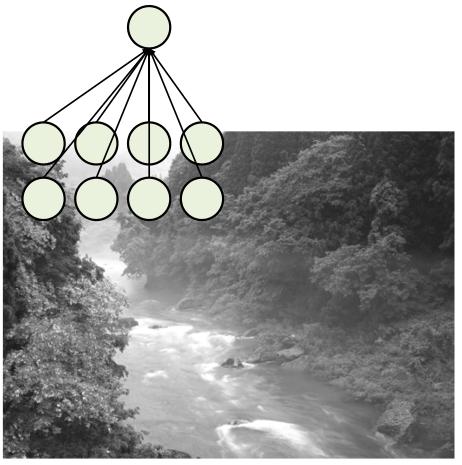
• More parameters to train.

• Higher computational expense.



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# Local connectivity

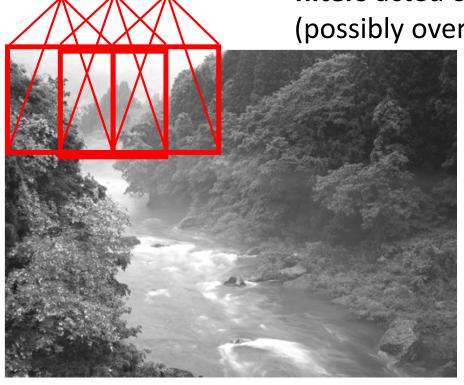


# Reduce parameters with local connections!

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#### Neurons as convolution filters

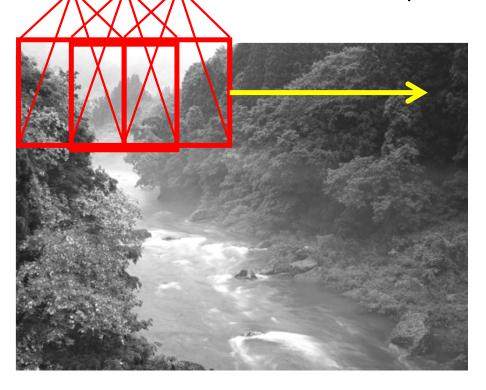
Think of neurons as convolutional **filters** acted on small adjacent (possibly overlapping) windows



Window size is called "receptive field" size and spacing is called "step" or "stride"

## Extract repeated structure

Apply the **same filter** (weights) throughout the image Dramatically reduces the number of parameters

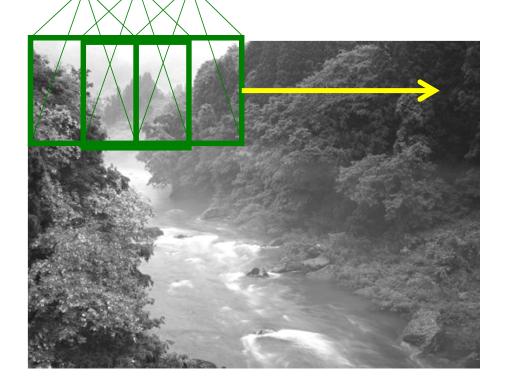


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# Can have many filters!

Response per pixel p, per filter f for a transfer function g:

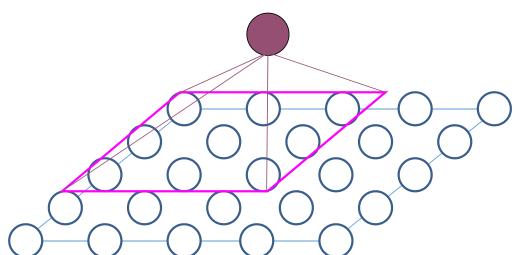
$$h_{p,f} = g(\mathbf{w_f} \cdot \mathbf{x_p})$$



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## Pooling

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



Max pooling:

$$h_{p',f} = \max_{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{p}})$$

Mean pooling:

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

Fixed filter (e.g., Gaussian):

$$h_{p',f} = w_{gaussian} \cdot \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}}$$

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]

#### Convolutional Neural Networks

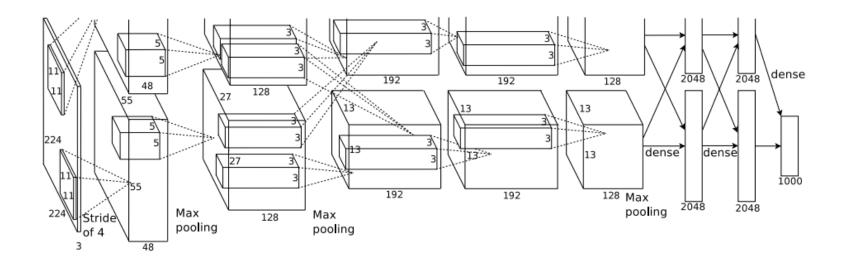
ImageNet system from Krizhevsky et al., NIPS 2012:

**Convolutional layers** 

Max-pooling layers

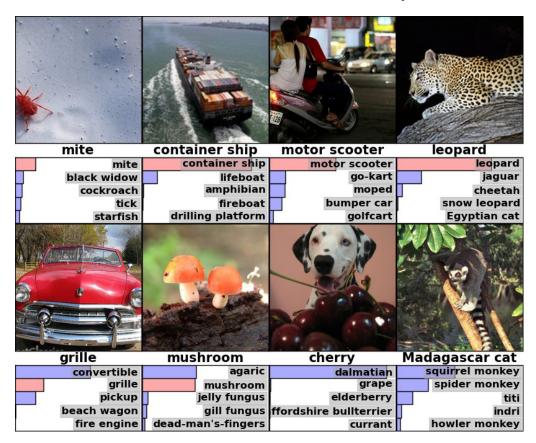
Rectified linear units (ReLu).

Stochastic gradient descent, L2 regularization etc

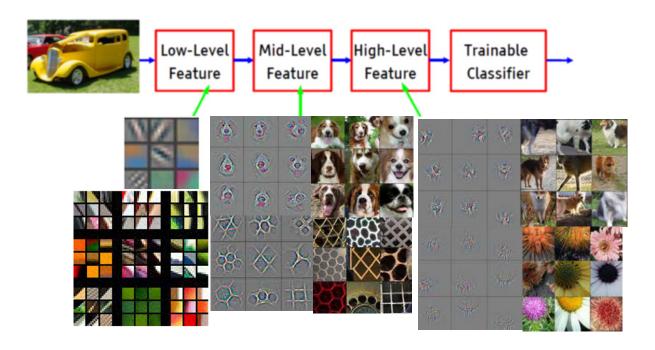


## Application: Image-Net

Top result in LSVRC 2012: ~85%, Top-5 accuracy.



# Learned representations



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## Multi-view CNNs

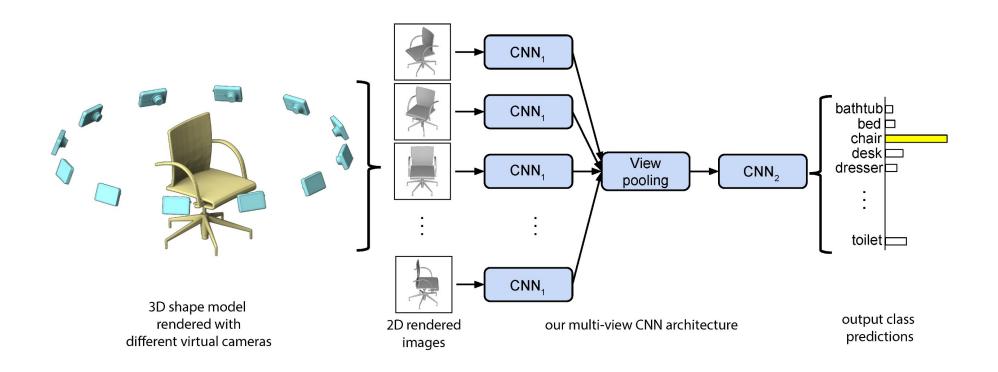


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#### Multi-view CNNs

Use output of fully connected layer as a shape descriptor. Shape retrieval evaluation in ModelNet40:

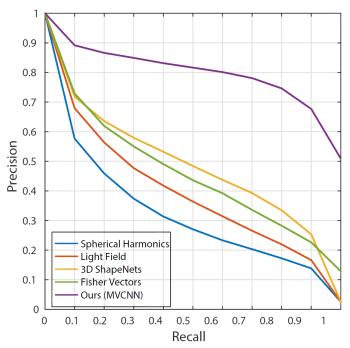


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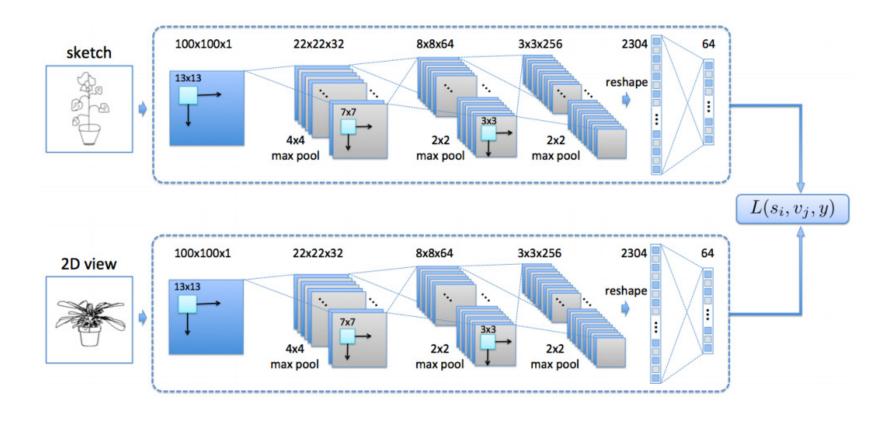


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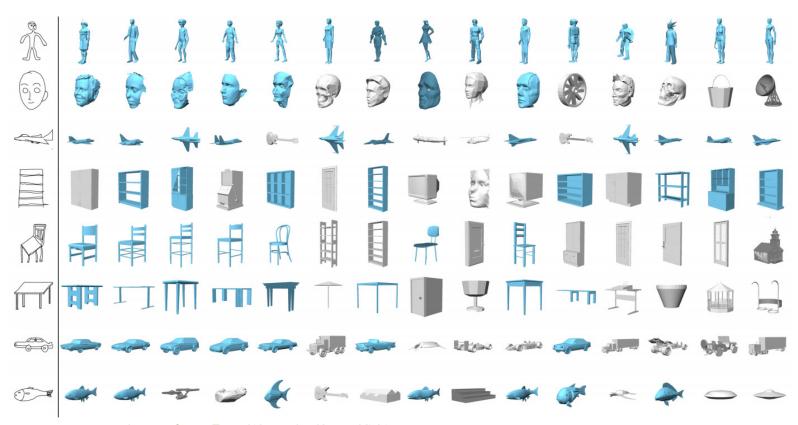


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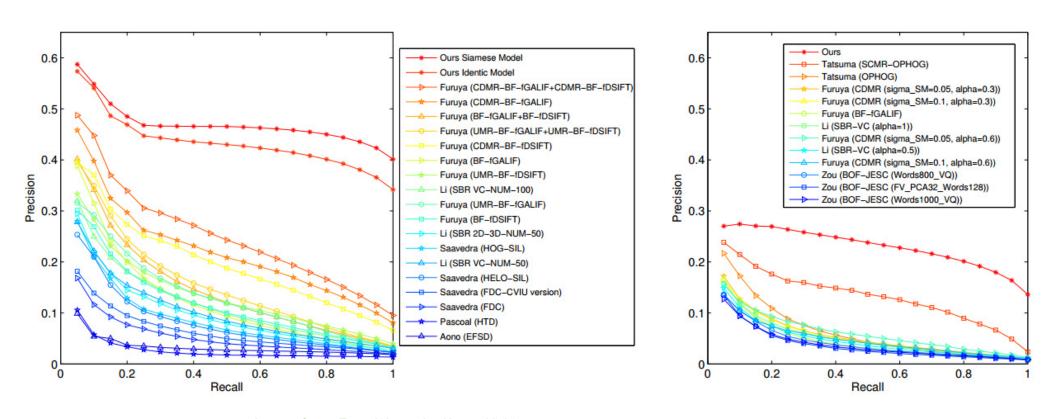


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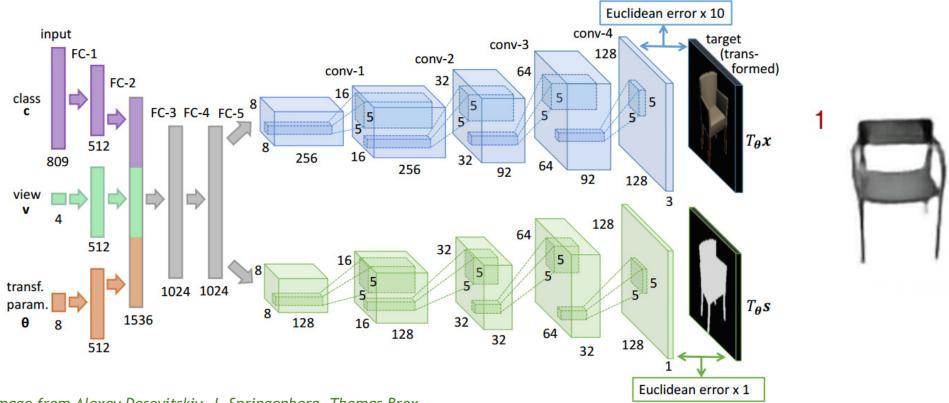
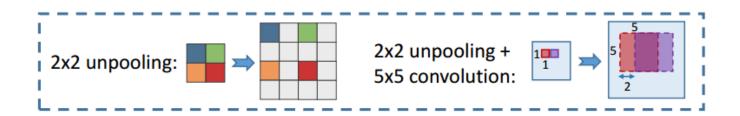


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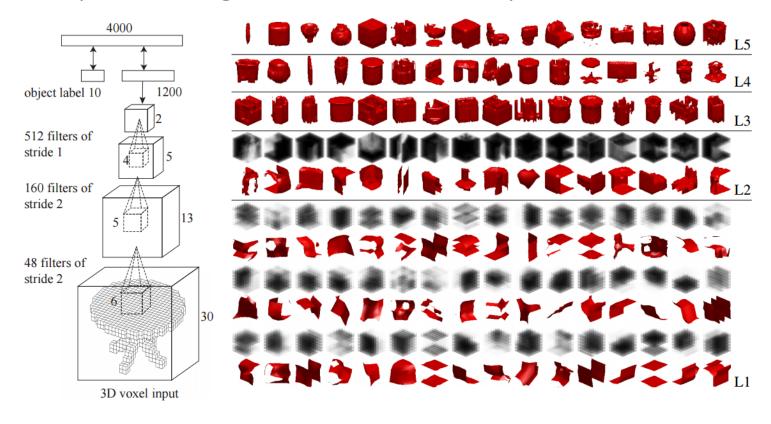


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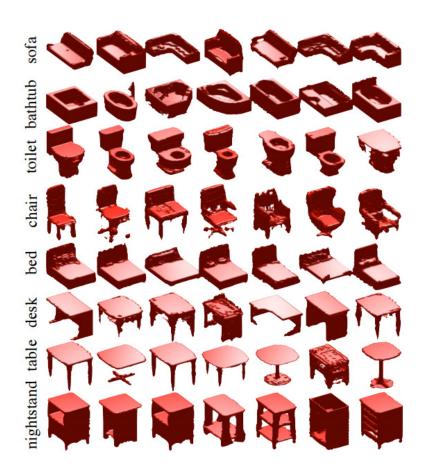


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- Integrate with approaches that optimize for function and human-object interaction