

# Invariance and Stability to Deformations of Deep Convolutional Representations

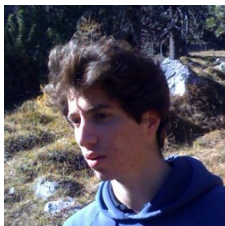
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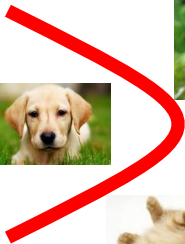
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## Short Introduction and Current Challenges

# Learning a predictive model

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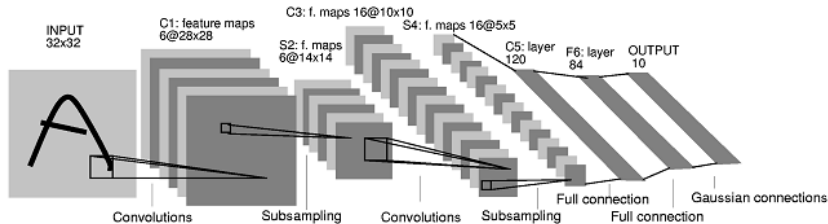
- The “neural network” space  $\mathcal{F}$  is explicitly parametrized by:

$$f(x) = \sigma_k(W_k \sigma_{k-1}(W_{k-1} \dots \sigma_2(W_2 \sigma_1(W_1 x)) \dots)).$$

- Linear operations are either unconstrained (fully connected) or share parameters (e.g., convolutions).
- Finding the optimal  $W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k$  yields a **non-convex** optimization problem in **huge dimension**.

# Convolutional Neural Networks

Picture from LeCun et al. [1998]



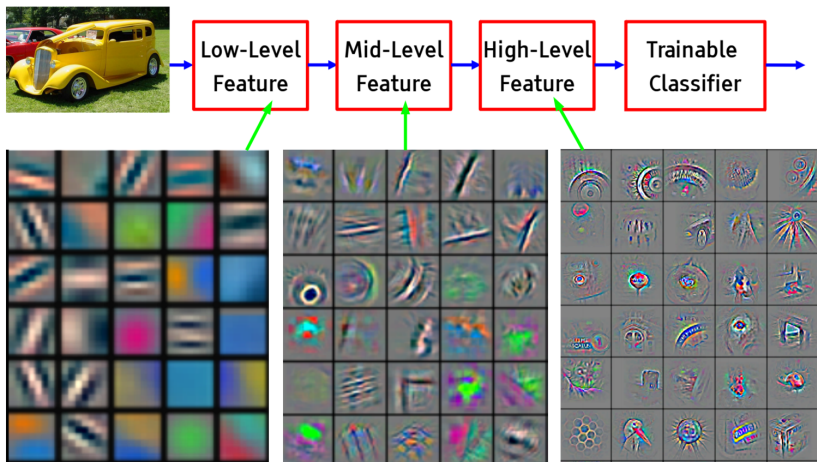
## What are the main features of CNNs?

- they capture **compositional** and **multiscale** structures in images;
- they provide some **invariance**;
- they model **local stationarity** of images at several scales;
- they are **state-of-the-art** in many fields.

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The keywords: **multi-scale, compositional, invariant, local features.**

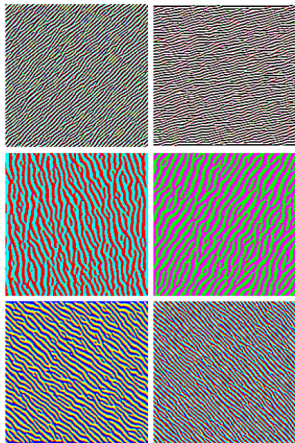
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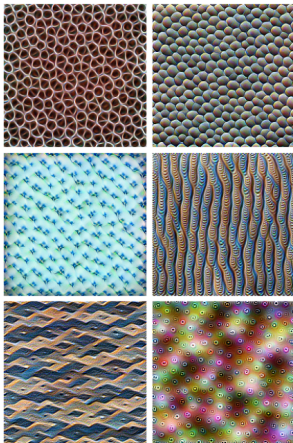
Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]

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Picture from Olah et al. [2017]:



**Edges** (layer conv2d0)



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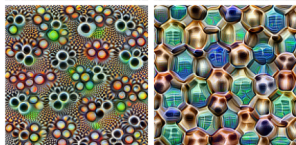


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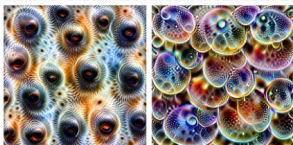


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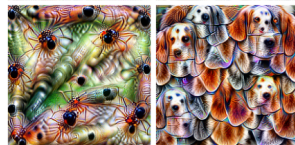
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Objects (layers mixed4d & mixed4e)

# Convolutional Neural Networks: Challenges

## What are current high-potential problems to solve?

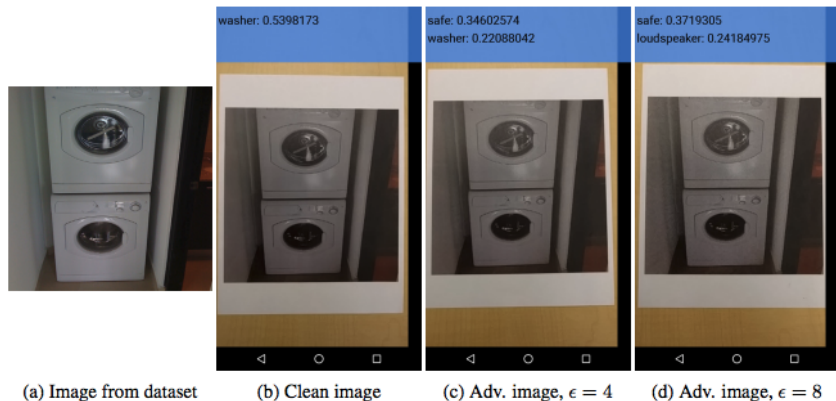
- 1 lack of **stability** (see next slide).
- 2 learning with **few labeled data**.
- 3 learning with **no supervision** (see Tab. from Bojanowski and Joulin, 2017).

Method	Acc@1
Random (Noroozi & Favaro, 2016)	12.0
SIFT+FV (Sánchez et al., 2013)	55.6
Wang & Gupta (2015)	29.8
Doersch et al. (2015)	30.4
Zhang et al. (2016)	35.2
<sup>1</sup> Noroozi & Favaro (2016)	38.1
BiGAN (Donahue et al., 2016)	32.2
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Table 3. Comparison of the proposed approach to state-of-the-art unsupervised feature learning on ImageNet. A full multi-layer perceptron is retrained on top of the features. We compare to several self-supervised approaches and an unsupervised approach.

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Illustration of instability. Picture from Kurakin et al. [2016].



**Figure:** Adversarial examples are generated by computer; then printed on paper; a new picture taken on a smartphone fools the classifier.

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## The issue of regularization

- today, heuristics are used (DropOut, weight decay, early stopping)...
- ...but they are not sufficient.
- how to **control variations of prediction functions**?

$|f(x) - f(x')|$  should be close if  $x$  and  $x'$  are “similar”.

- what does it mean for  $x$  and  $x'$  to be “similar”?
- what should be a good **regularization function**  $\Omega$ ?

# Invariance and Stability from a Kernel Perspective

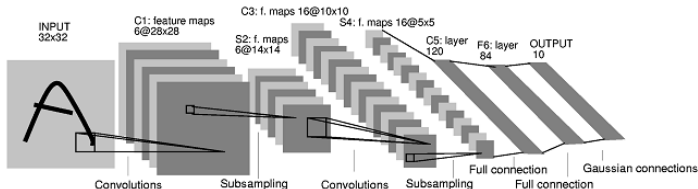
# Objectives

## Deep convolutional signal representations

- Are they **stable to deformations**?
- How can we achieve **invariance to transformation groups**?
- Do they **preserve signal information**?

## Learning aspects

- Building a **functional space** for CNNs (or similar objects).
- Deriving a measure of **model complexity**.



# A kernel perspective

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## What is the relation with deep neural networks?

- It is possible to design a RKHS  $\mathcal{H}$  where a large class of deep neural networks live [Mairal, 2016].

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## Why do we care?

- $\Phi(x)$  is related to the **network architecture** and is **independent of training data**. Is it stable? Does it lose signal information?
- $f$  is a **predictive model**. Can we control its stability?

$$|f(x) - f(x')| \leq \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}} \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(x')\|_{\mathcal{H}}.$$

- $\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}$  controls both **stability and generalization!**

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### Problem

Multilayer kernels developed for deep networks are **typically intractable**.

### One solution [Mairal, 2016]

do kernel approximations at each layer, which lead to non-standard CNNs called convolutional kernel networks (CKNs).

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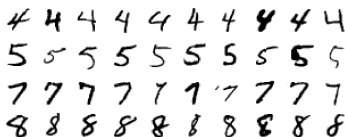
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use approximations (lower- and upper-bounds), based on mathematical properties of  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ .

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plus a bit of harmonic analysis

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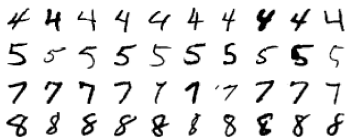
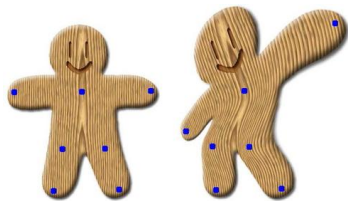


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relation with deep convolutional representations

stability to deformations studied for wavelet-based scattering transform.

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## Definition of stability

- Representation  $\Phi(\cdot)$  is **stable** [Mallat, 2012] if:

$$\|\Phi(L_\tau x) - \Phi(x)\| \leq (C_1 \|\nabla \tau\|_\infty + C_2 \|\tau\|_\infty) \|x\|.$$

- $\|\nabla \tau\|_\infty = \sup_u \|\nabla \tau(u)\|$  controls deformation.
- $\|\tau\|_\infty = \sup_u |\tau(u)|$  controls translation.
- $C_2 \rightarrow 0$ : translation invariance.



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## On learning

- Bounds on the RKHS norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}}$  to control **stability and generalization** of a predictive model  $f$ .

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# Outline

- 1 Construction of the multi-layer convolutional representation
- 2 Invariance and stability
- 3 Learning aspects: model complexity

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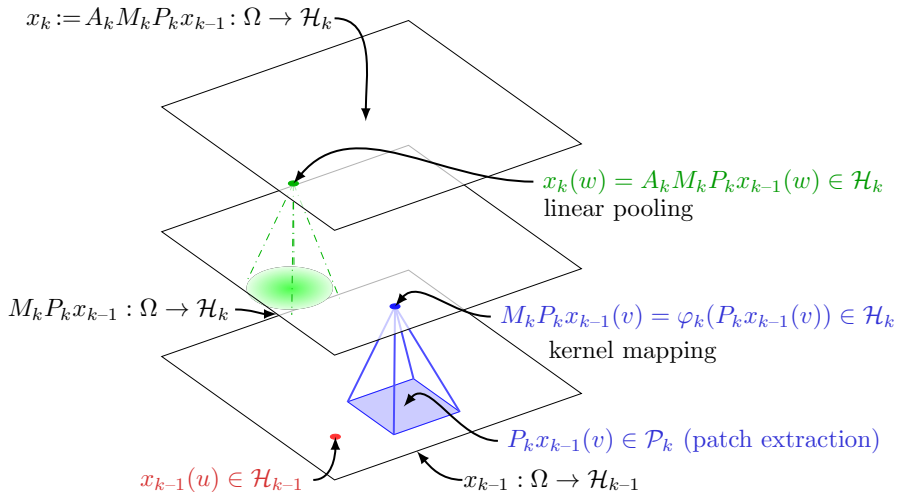
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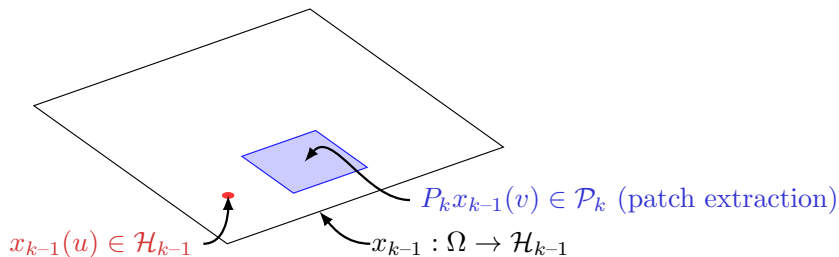


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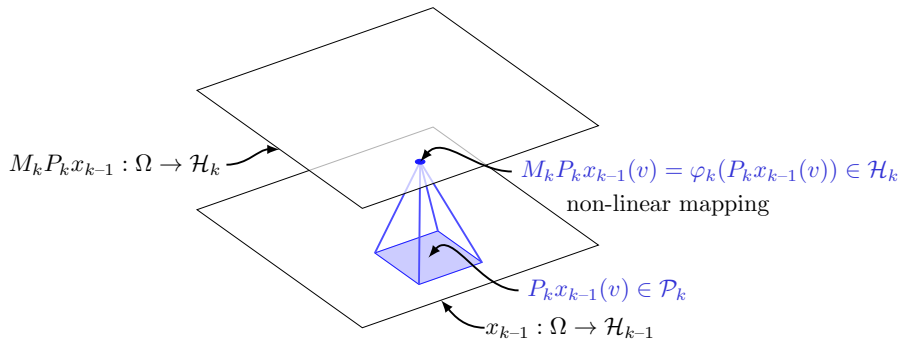
$$P_k x_{k-1}(u) := (v \in S_k \mapsto x_{k-1}(u + v)) \in \mathcal{P}_k = \mathcal{H}_{k-1}^{S_k}.$$



- $S_k$ : patch shape, e.g. box.
- $P_k$  is **linear**, and **preserves the norm**:  $\|P_k x_{k-1}\| = \|x_{k-1}\|$ .
- Norm of a map:  $\|x\|^2 = \int_{\Omega} \|x(u)\|^2 du < \infty$  for  $x$  in  $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{H})$ .

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- $\varphi_k : \mathcal{P}_k \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_k$  pointwise non-linearity on patches.
- We assume **non-expansivity**

$$\|\varphi_k(z)\| \leq \|z\| \quad \text{and} \quad \|\varphi_k(z) - \varphi_k(z')\| \leq \|z - z'\|.$$

- $M_k$  then satisfies, for  $x, x' \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{P}_k)$

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## $\varphi_k$ from kernels

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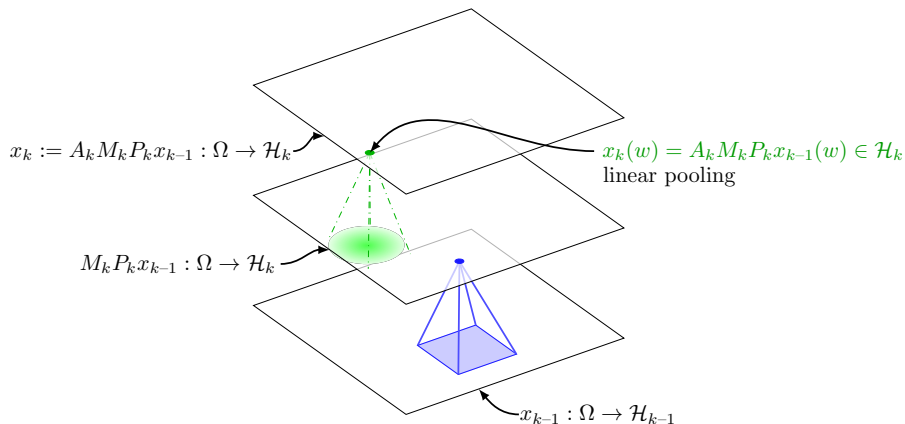
### Examples

- $\kappa_{\text{exp}}(\langle z, z' \rangle) = e^{\langle z, z' \rangle - 1} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|z - z'\|^2}$  (if  $\|z\| = \|z'\| = 1$ ).
- $\kappa_{\text{inv-poly}}(\langle z, z' \rangle) = \frac{1}{2 - \langle z, z' \rangle}$ .

[Schoenberg, 1942, Scholkopf, 1997, Smola et al., 2001, Cho and Saul, 2010, Zhang et al., 2016, 2017, Daniely et al., 2016, Bach, 2017, Mairal, 2016]...

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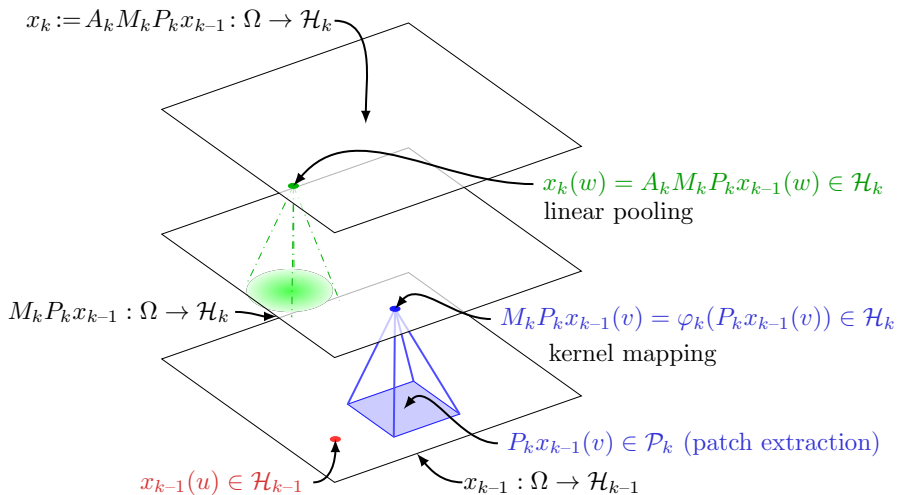
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- $h_{\sigma_k}$ : pooling filter at scale  $\sigma_k$ .
- $h_{\sigma_k}(u) := \sigma_k^{-d} h(u/\sigma_k)$  with  $h(u)$  **Gaussian**.
- **linear, non-expansive operator**:  $\|A_k\| \leq 1$  (operator norm).



## Recap: $P_k, M_k, A_k$



# Multilayer construction

## Assumption on $x_0$

- $x_0$  is typically a **discrete** signal aquired with physical device.
- Natural assumption:  $x_0 = A_0 x$ , with  $x$  the original continuous signal,  $A_0$  local integrator with scale  $\sigma_0$  (**anti-aliasing**).

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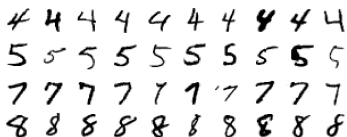
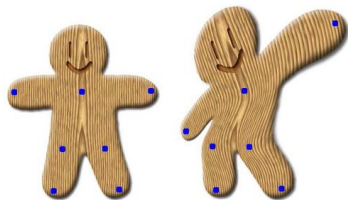
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## Group invariance and stability

Previous construction is similar to Cohen and Welling [2016] for CNNs.

### A case of interest: the roto-translation group

- $G = \mathbb{R}^2 \times SO(2)$  (mix of translations and rotations).
- **Stability** with respect to the translation group.
- **Global invariance** to rotations (only global pooling at final layer).
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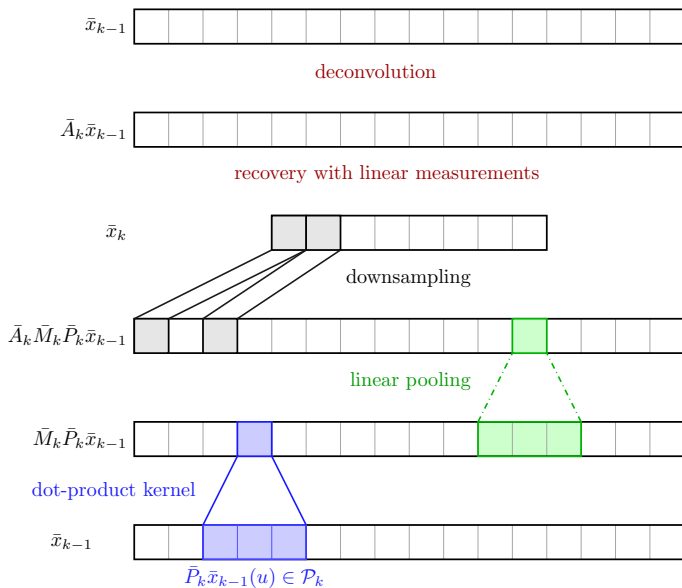
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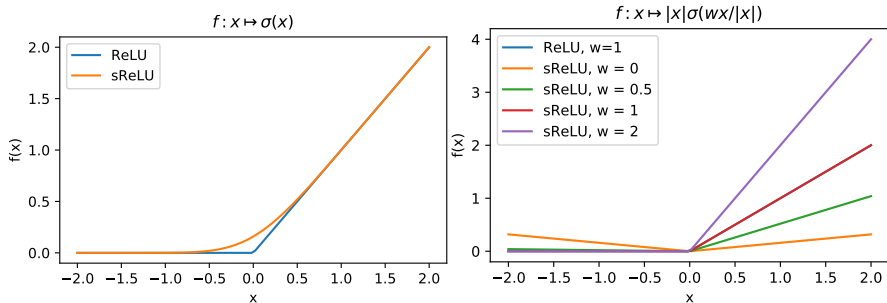
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- Consider a CNN with filters  $W_k^{ij}(u), u \in S_k$ .
  - $k$ : layer;
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- “Smooth homogeneous” activations  $\sigma$ .
- The CNN can be constructed hierarchically in  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{K}}$ .
- Norm (linear layers):

$$\|f_{\sigma}\|^2 \leq \|W_{n+1}\|_2^2 \cdot \|W_n\|_2^2 \cdot \|W_{n-1}\|_2^2 \dots \|W_1\|_2^2.$$

- Linear layers: product of spectral norms.

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- Leads to margin bound  $O(\|\hat{f}_N\|R/\gamma\sqrt{N})$  for a learned CNN  $\hat{f}_N$  with margin (confidence)  $\gamma > 0$ .
- Related to recent generalization bounds for neural networks based on **product of spectral norms** [e.g., Bartlett et al., 2017, Neyshabur et al., 2018].

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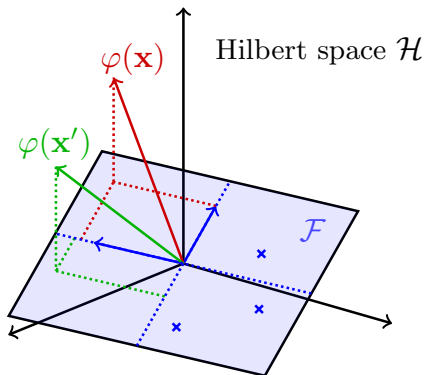


Figure: Nyström approximation.

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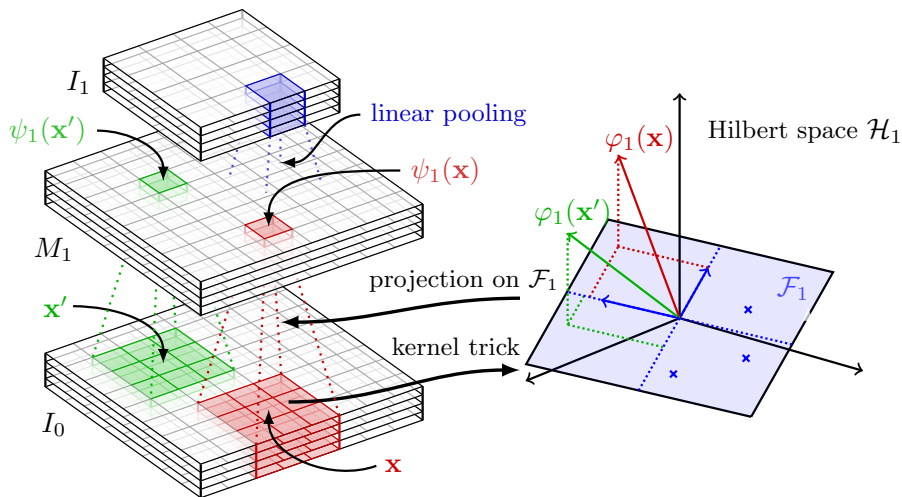
$$\begin{aligned}\|\psi_k(z) - \psi_k(z')\| &= \|\Pi_k \varphi_k(z) - \Pi_k \varphi_k(z')\| \\ &\leq \|\varphi_k(z) - \varphi_k(z')\| \leq \|z - z'\|.\end{aligned}$$

- Anchor points  $z_1, \dots, z_p$  ( $\approx$  filters) can be **learned from data** (K-means or backprop).

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## Discussion

- norm of  $\|\Phi(x)\|$  is of the same order (or close enough) to  $\|x\|$ .
- the kernel representation is non-expansive but not contractive

$$\sup_{x, x' \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{H}_0)} \frac{\|\Phi(x) - \Phi(x')\|}{\|x - x'\|} = 1.$$



## A kernel perspective: digression about regularization

Another point of view: consider a classical CNN parametrized by  $\theta$ , which live in the RKHS:

$$\min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, f_{\theta}(x_i)) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|f_{\theta}\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2.$$

### Upper-bounds

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \omega(\|A_k\|, \|A_{k-1}\|, \dots, \|A_1\|) \quad (\text{spectral norms}).$$

### Lower-bounds

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}} = \sup_{\|u\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq 1} \langle f, u \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \geq \sup_{u \in U} \langle f, u \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \quad \text{for } U \subseteq B_{\mathcal{H}}(1).$$

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- adversarial penalty

$$U = \{\Phi(x + \delta) - \Phi(x) : x \in \mathcal{X}, \|\delta\|_2 \leq 1\}$$
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- gradient penalty

$$U = \left\{ \frac{\Phi(x) - \Phi(y)}{\|x - y\|_2} : x, y \in \mathcal{X} \right\} \Rightarrow \|\nabla f\| = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \|\nabla f(x)\|_2.$$

- deformation stability penalty

$$U = \{\Phi(L_\tau x) - \Phi(x) : x \in \mathcal{X}, \tau\}$$
$$\Rightarrow \|f\|_\tau^2 = \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathcal{X} \\ \tau \text{ small deformation}}} f(L_\tau x) - f(x).$$

- use CKN kernel approximations (work in progress).

see [Bietti et al., 2019] and references therein