

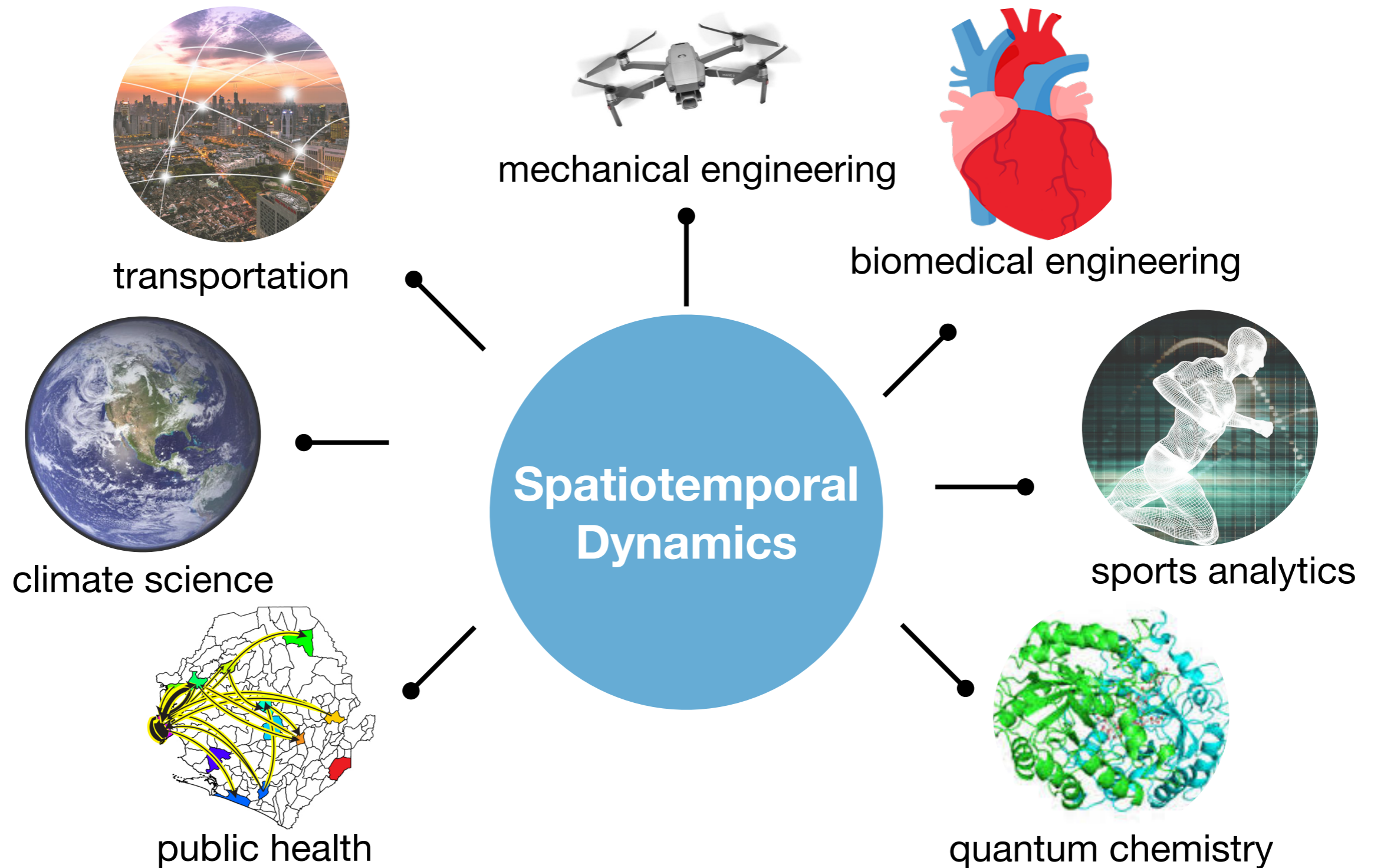
Incorporating **Symmetry** for Learning Spatiotemporal Dynamics



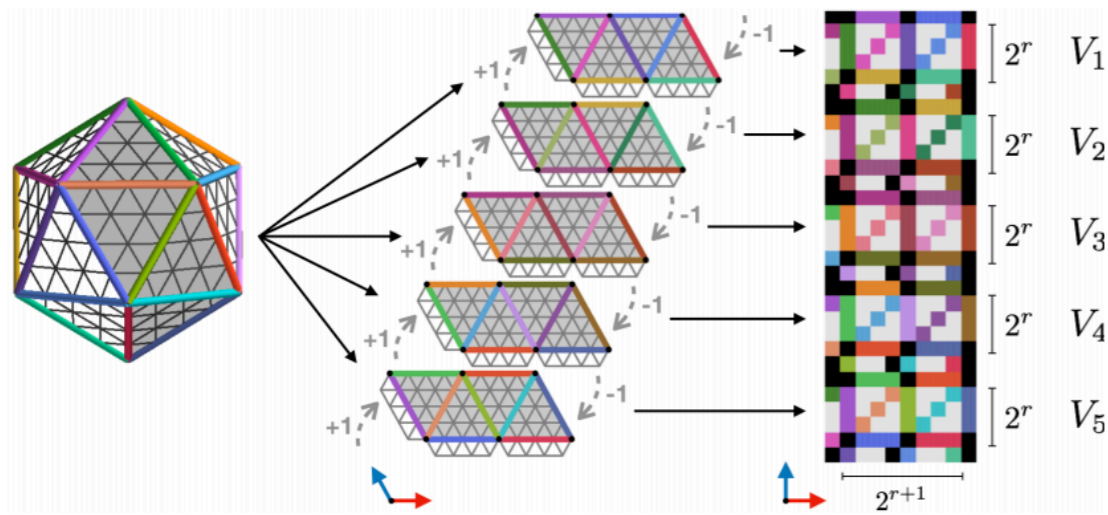
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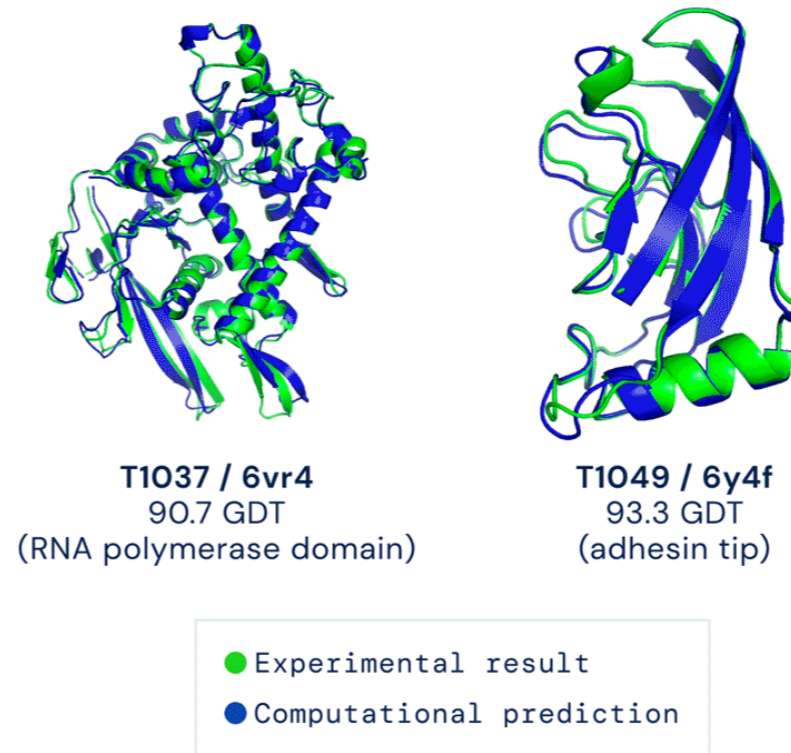
Learning Spatiotemporal Dynamics



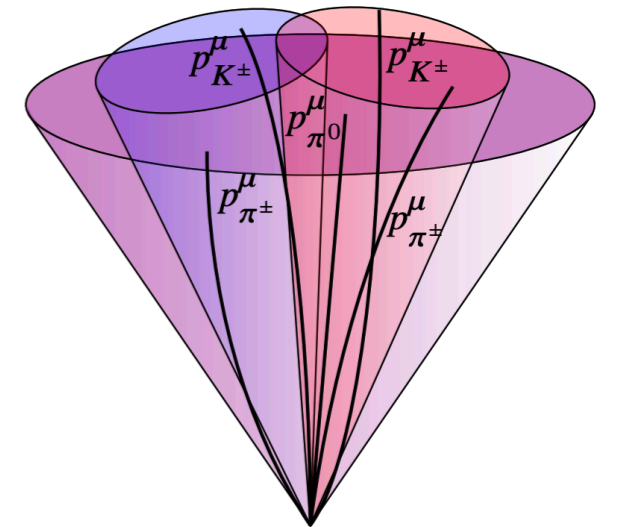
Success of Symmetry



Cohen et al 2019



Jumper et al 2021

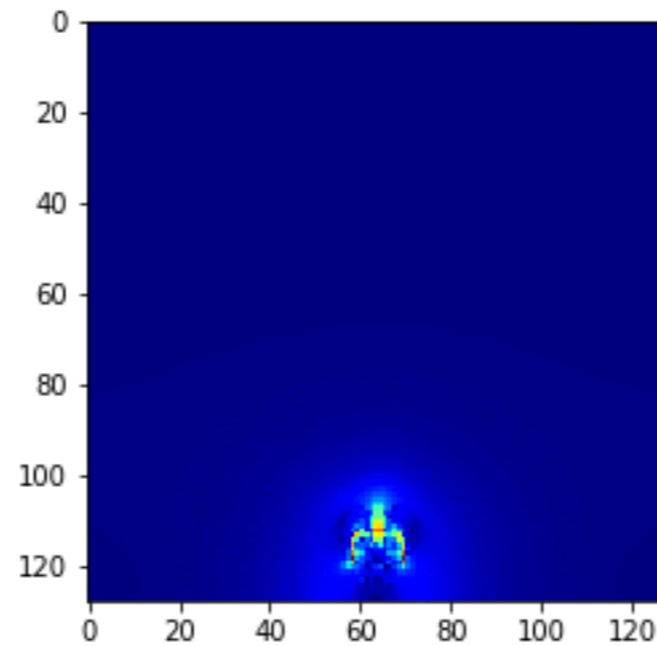


Bogatskiy et al 2020

Ravanbakhsh et al. (2017); Kondor & Trivedi (2018); Cohen & Welling (2016b); Thomas et al. (2018); Maron et al. (2020); Walters et al. (2021).....

How about Spatiotemporal Dynamics?

Incorporating **Symmetry** for Generalization



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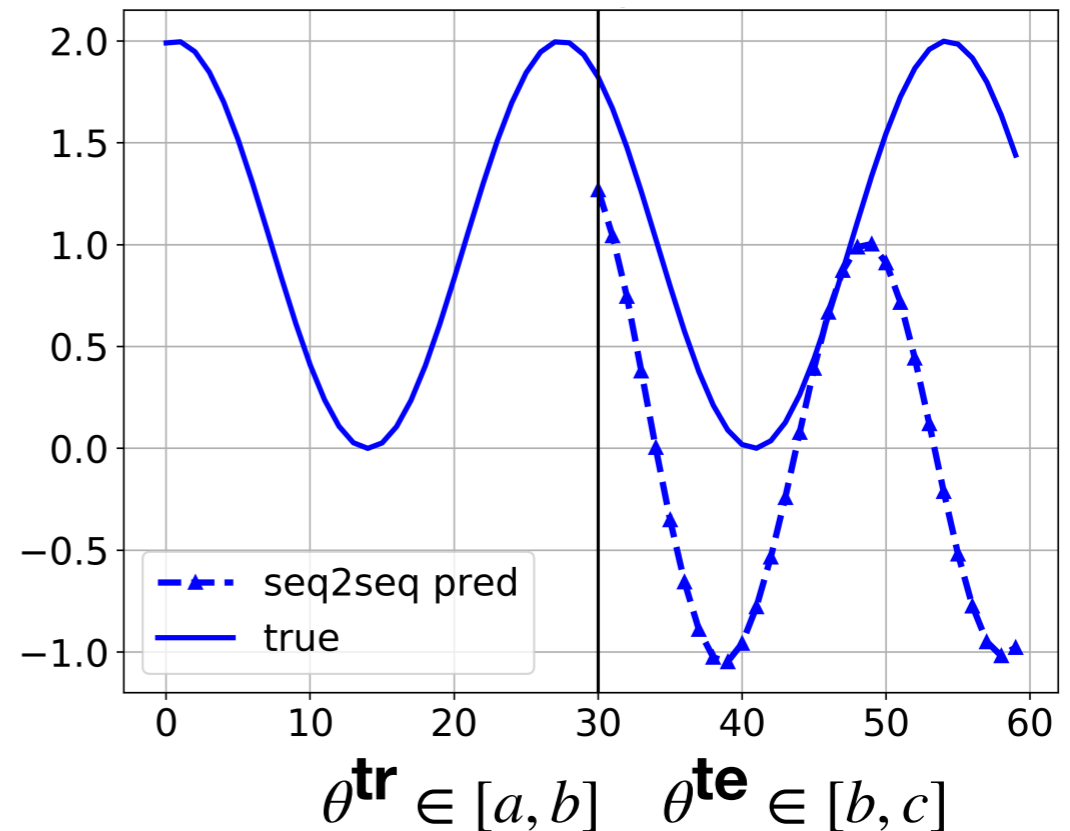
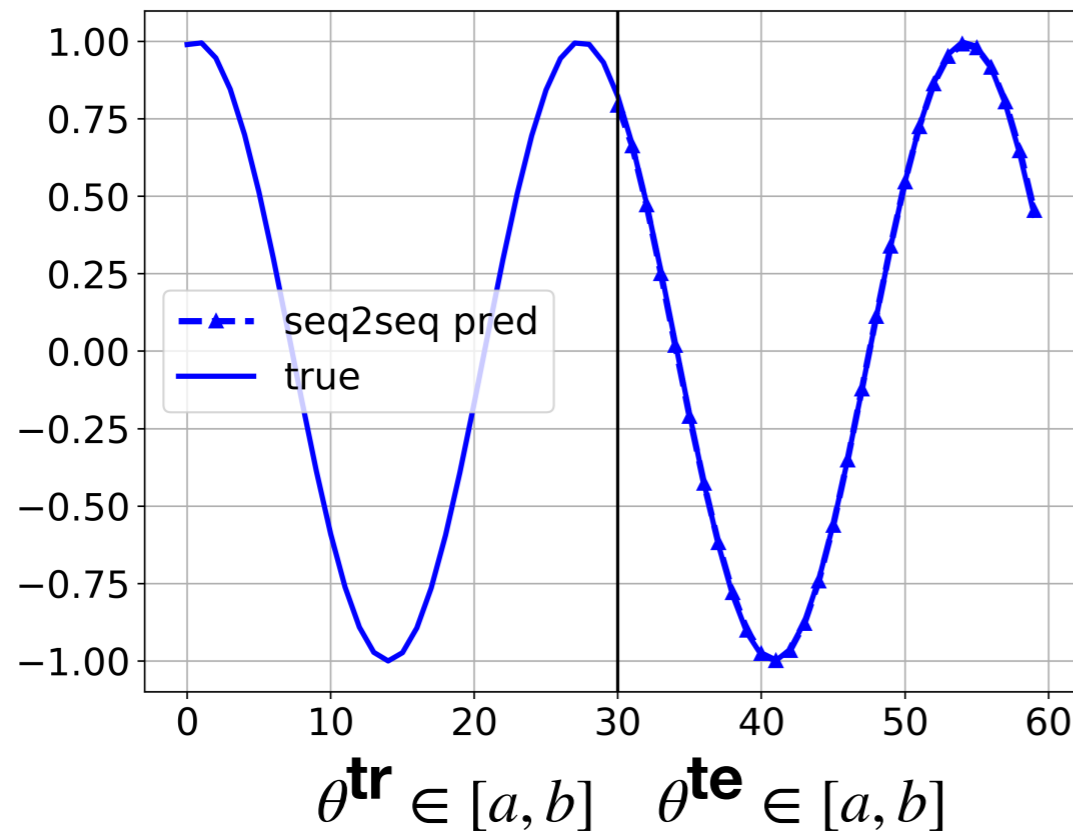
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Incorporating Symmetry into Deep Dynamics Models for Improved Generalization

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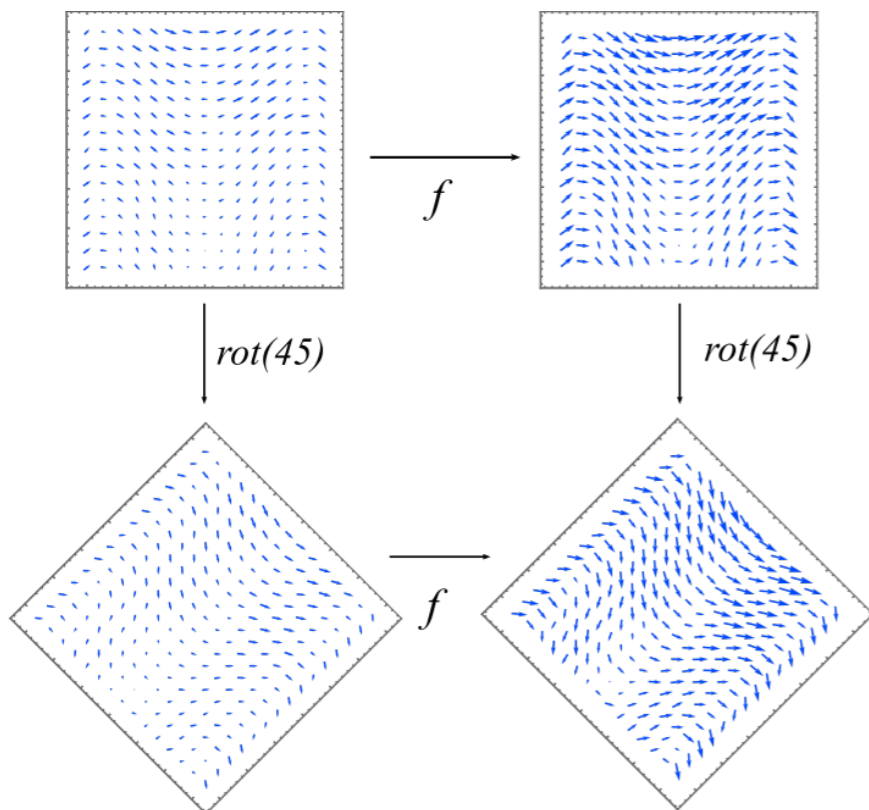
Generalization Challenge



- **Generalization**: fundamental challenge in dynamics forecasting
 - Performance degrades with test *distributional shift*
 - Punchline: distributions change, laws of physics do not!

Conservation Laws and Symmetry

- **Noether's theorem:** *For every symmetry, there is a corresponding conservation law*



- **Invariance, Equivariance:**

- G-invariant: $f(g(x)) = f(x)$
- G-equivariant: $f(gx) = gf(x)$

Symmetry in Dynamical Systems

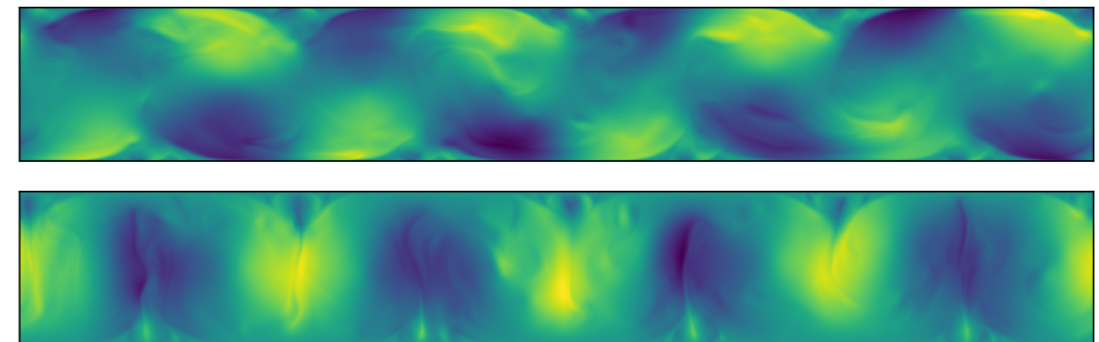
- A system of differential operators
 $D = \{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$
- if ϕ is a solution of D , then for all
 $g \in G$, $g(\phi)$ is also a solution

- **2D Navier-Stokes Equations**

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{w} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{w} + f$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla) T = \kappa \nabla^2 T$$



Symmetries

NS Equ.

Space translation

$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}, t)$

Time translation

$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, t - \tau)$

Uniform Motion

$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{c}$

Reflect/rotation

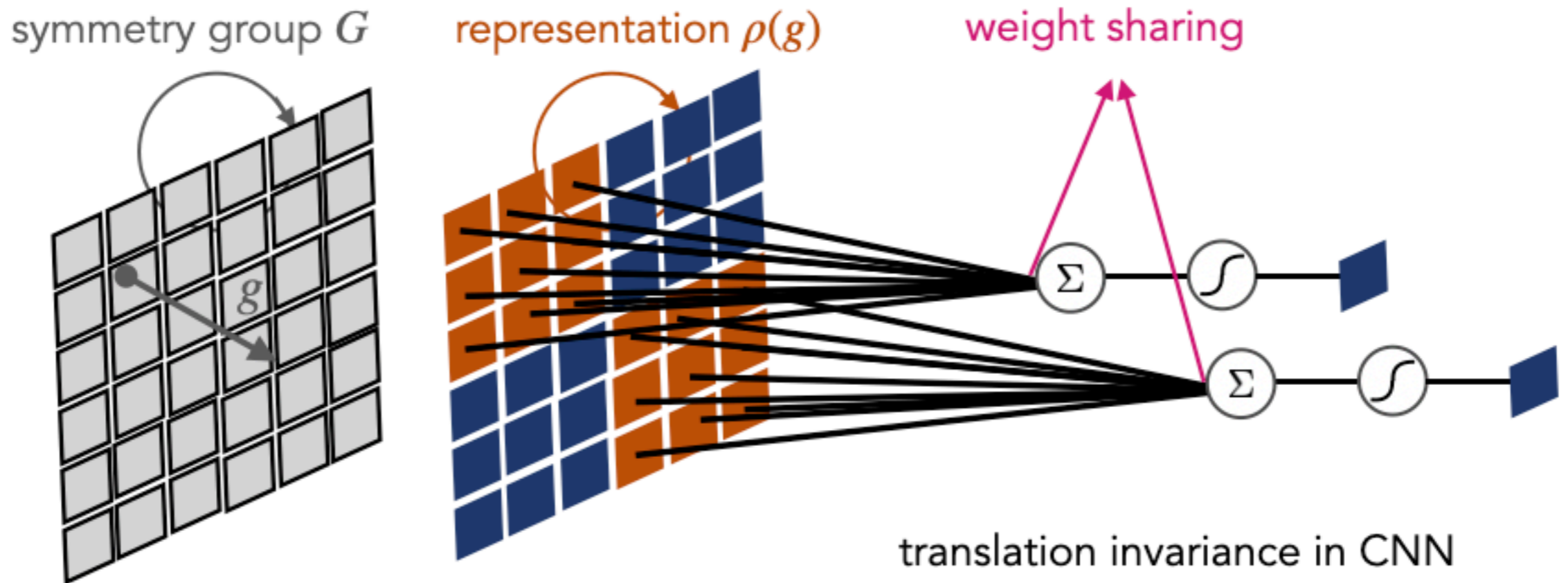
$R\mathbf{w}(R^{-1}\mathbf{x}, t)$

Scaling

$\lambda\mathbf{w}(\lambda\mathbf{x}, \lambda^2 t)$

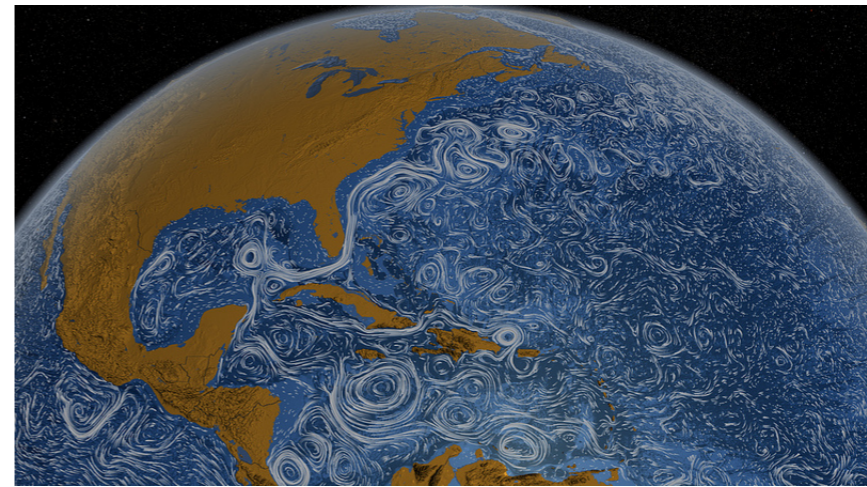
Scaling Law

Weight Symmetry



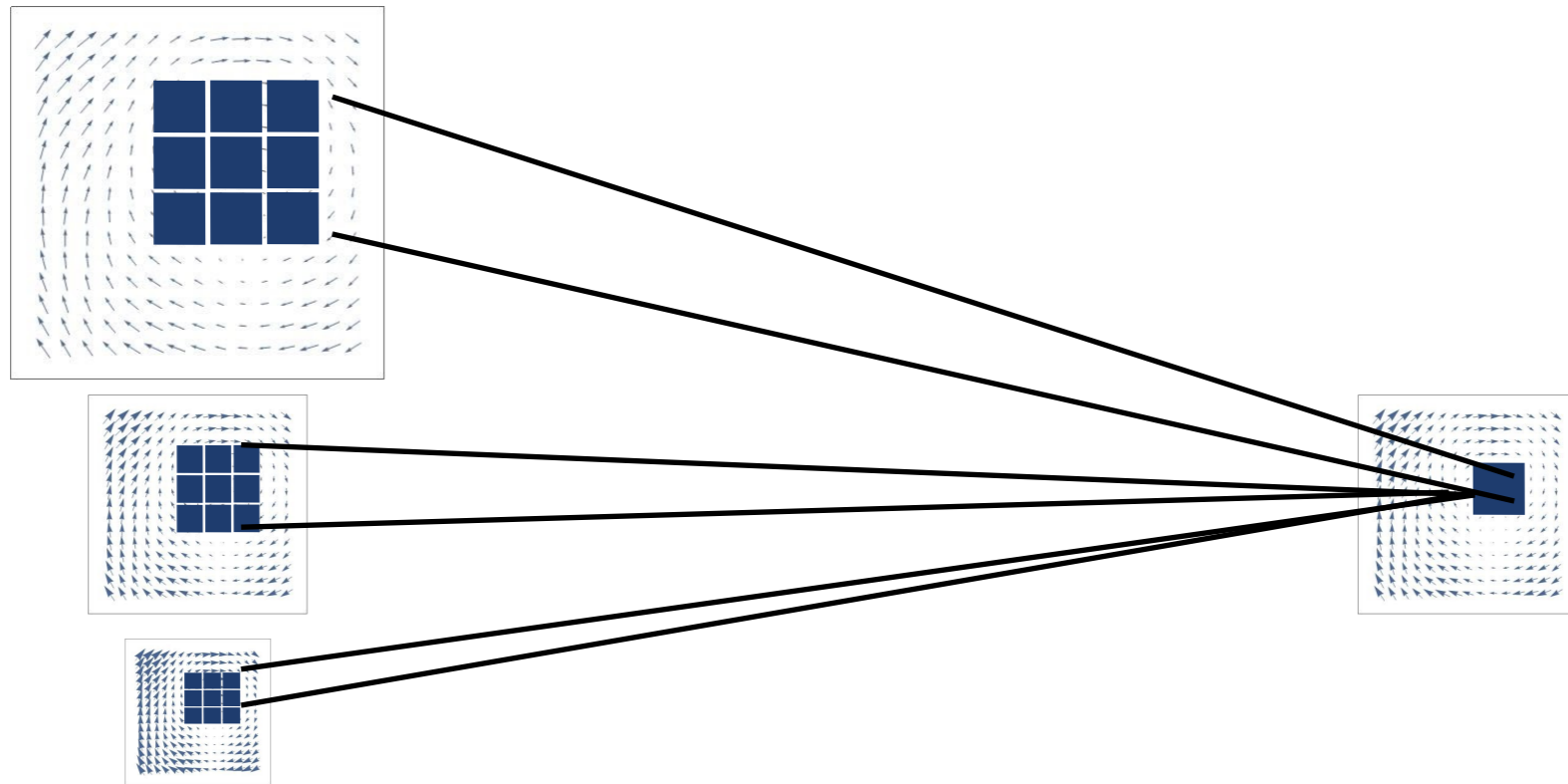
Theorem (Weiler & Cesa 2019): a convolutional layer is G -equivariant if and only if the kernel satisfies $K(gv) = \rho_{out}^{-1}(g)K(v)\rho_{in}(g)$ for all $g \in G$, with action maps ρ_{in} and ρ_{out} .

Symmetry: Scaling



- Standard convolution shares weights across the input by translating a kernel across the input.
- For scale-equivariant convolution, we must translate and scale a kernel across the input.

Symmetry: Scaling

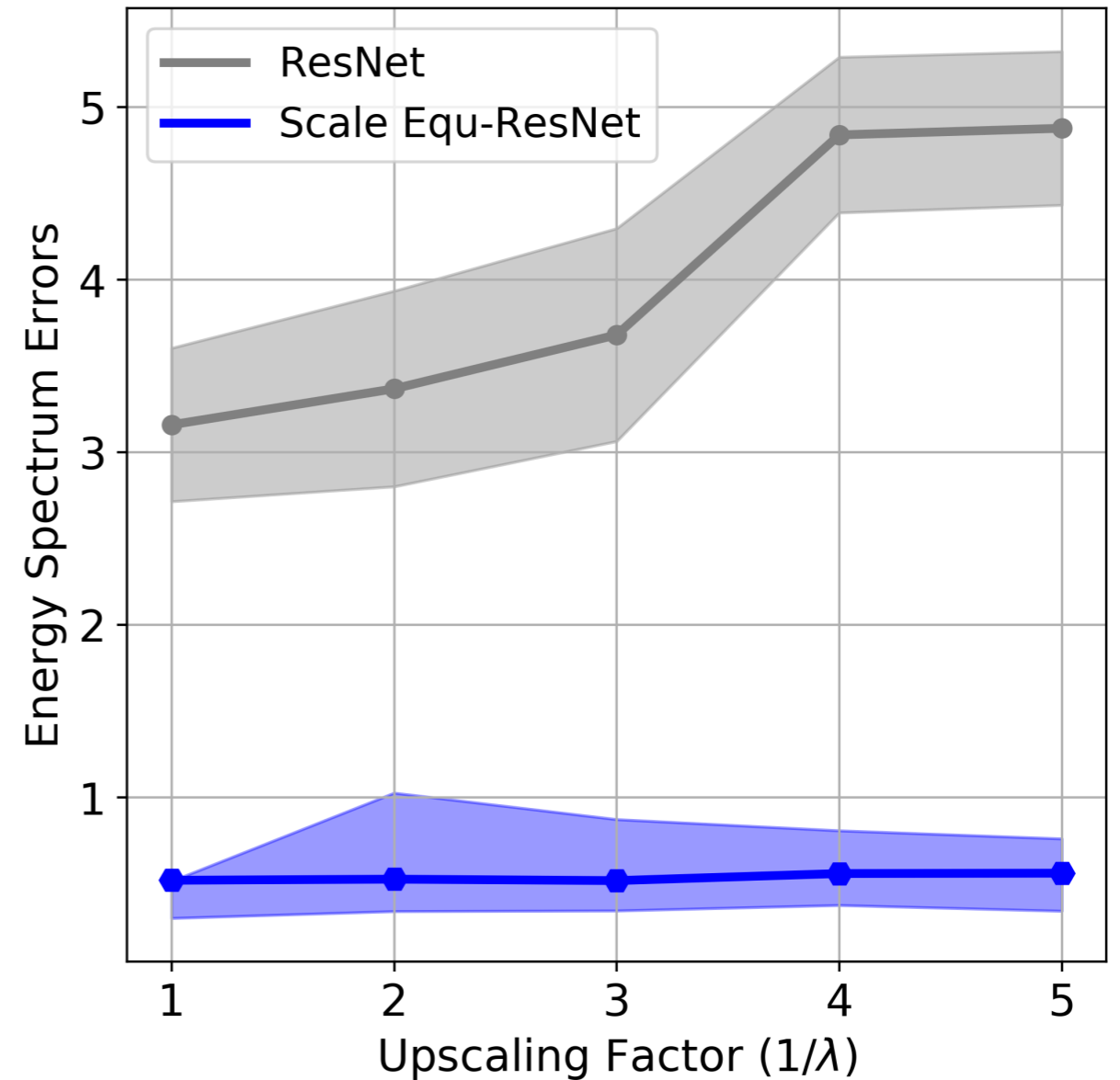
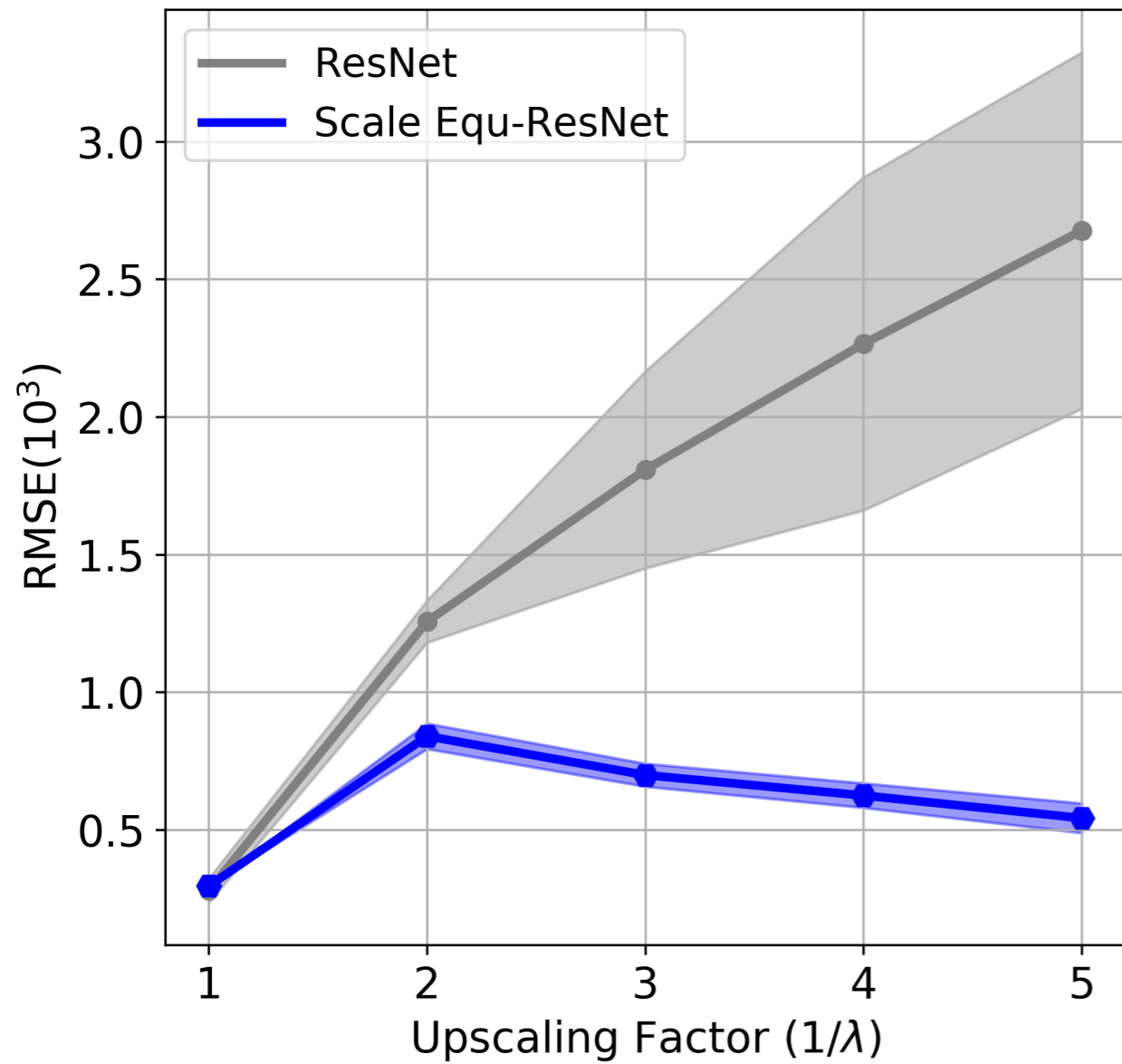


- *Scale equivariant*

$$\mathbf{v}(p) = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, q \in \mathbb{Z}^2} (T_\lambda \mathbf{w})(p + q)(T_\lambda K)(q),$$

$$T_\lambda \mathbf{w}(x, t) = \lambda \mathbf{w}(\lambda x, \lambda^2 t)$$

Ocean Currents Forecast



Physically Consistent Predictions!

Approximately Equivariant Networks



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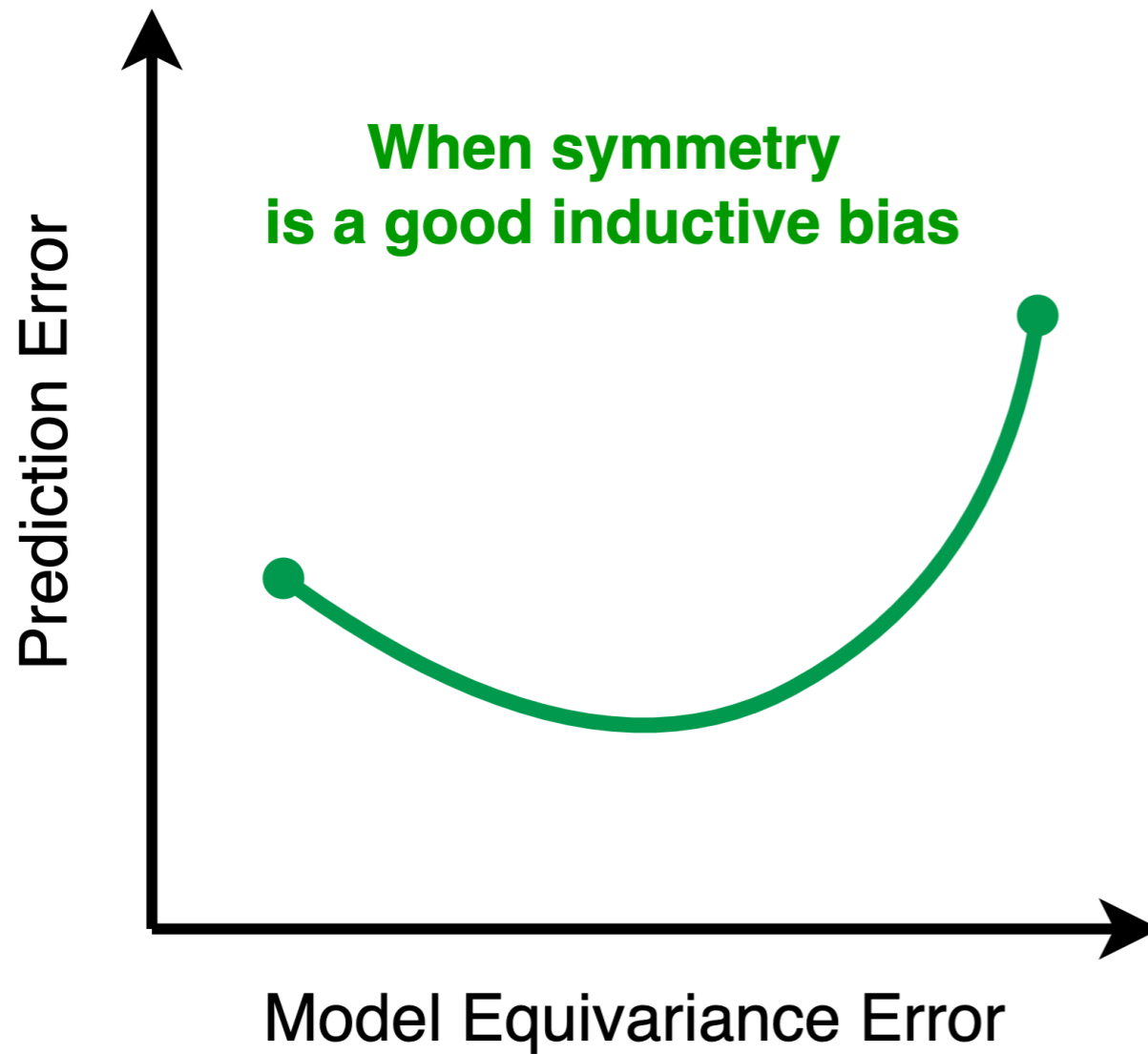
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Approximately Equivariant Networks for Imperfectly Symmetric Dynamics

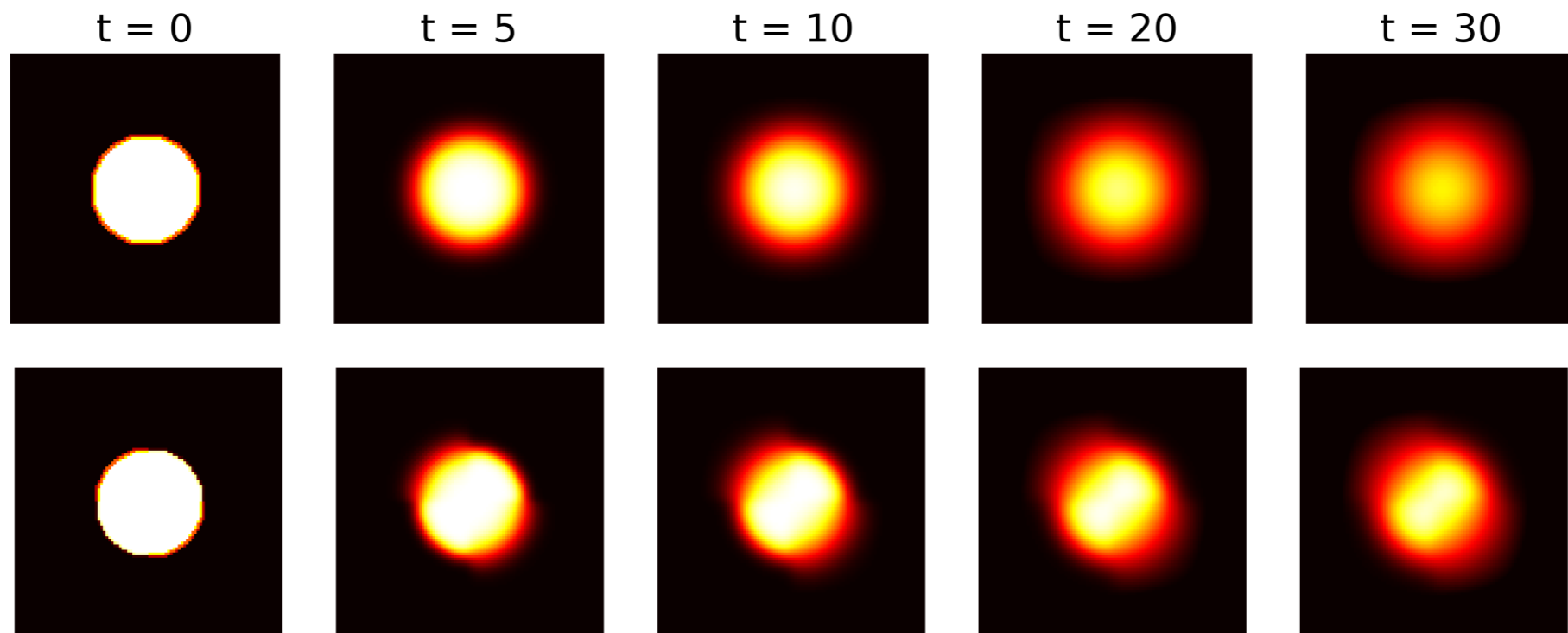
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Symmetry as Inductive Bias



Approximate Symmetry



Definition: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and G be a group. Assume that G acts on X and Y via representations ρ_X and ρ_Y . We say f is ϵ -approximately G -equivariant if for any $g \in G$,

$$\|f(\rho_X(g)(x)) - \rho_Y(g)f(x)\| \leq \epsilon.$$

Equivariant Convolution

- Group Convolution (**G-conv**)

$$f *_G K(g) = \sum_{h \in G} f(h) K(g^{-1}h)$$

- G-conv does not need to precompute an equivariant kernel basis
- But limited to discrete (compact) group, not efficient when the group order is large
- G-Steerable Convolution (**Steer**)

$$K(hx) = \rho_{out}(h) K(x) \rho_{in}(h^{-1})$$

Relaxed Equivariance

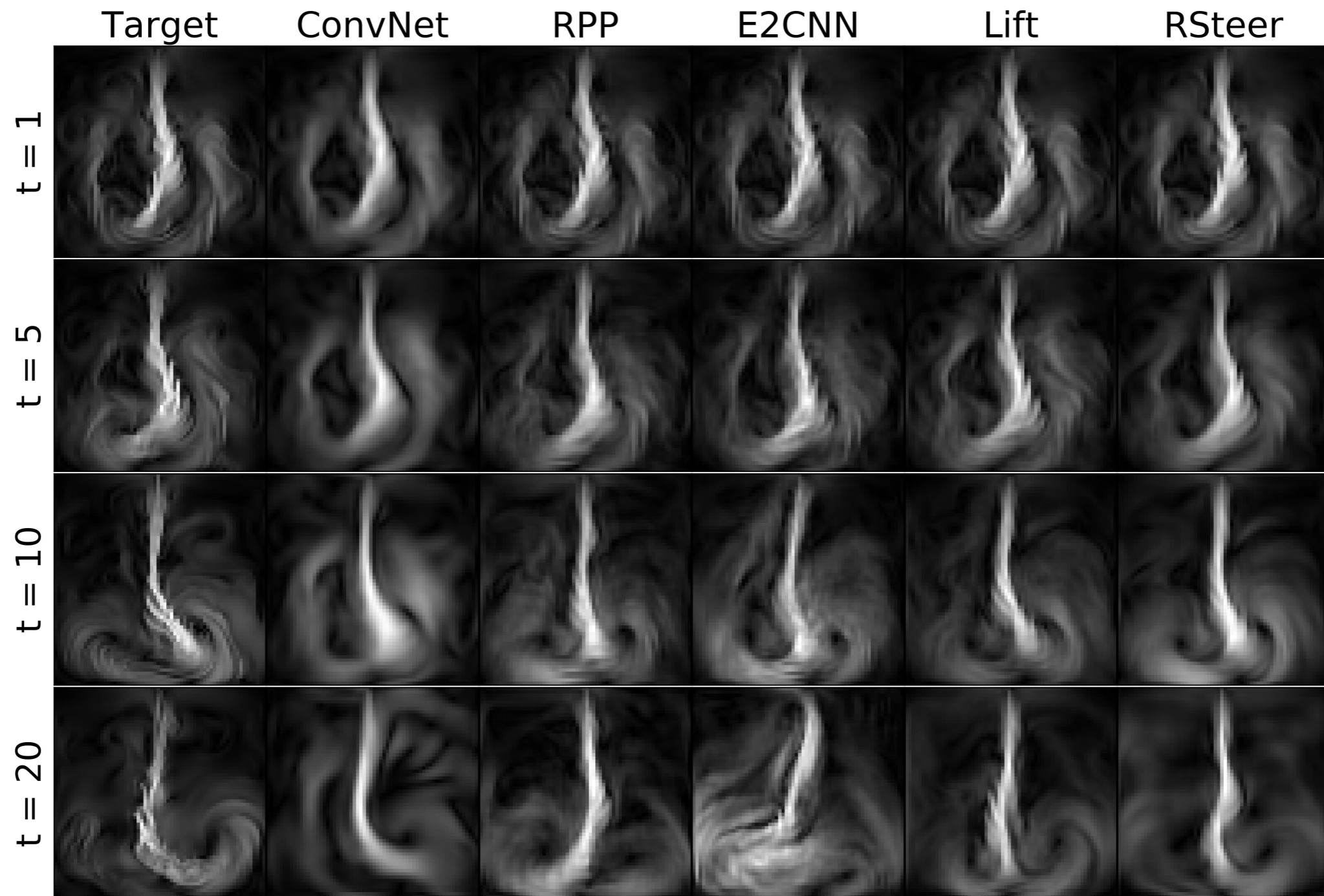
- Relaxed G-conv (**RGroup**):

$$f \tilde{*}_G K(g) = \sum_{h \in G} f(h) \sum_{l=1}^L w_l(h) K_l(g^{-1}h)$$

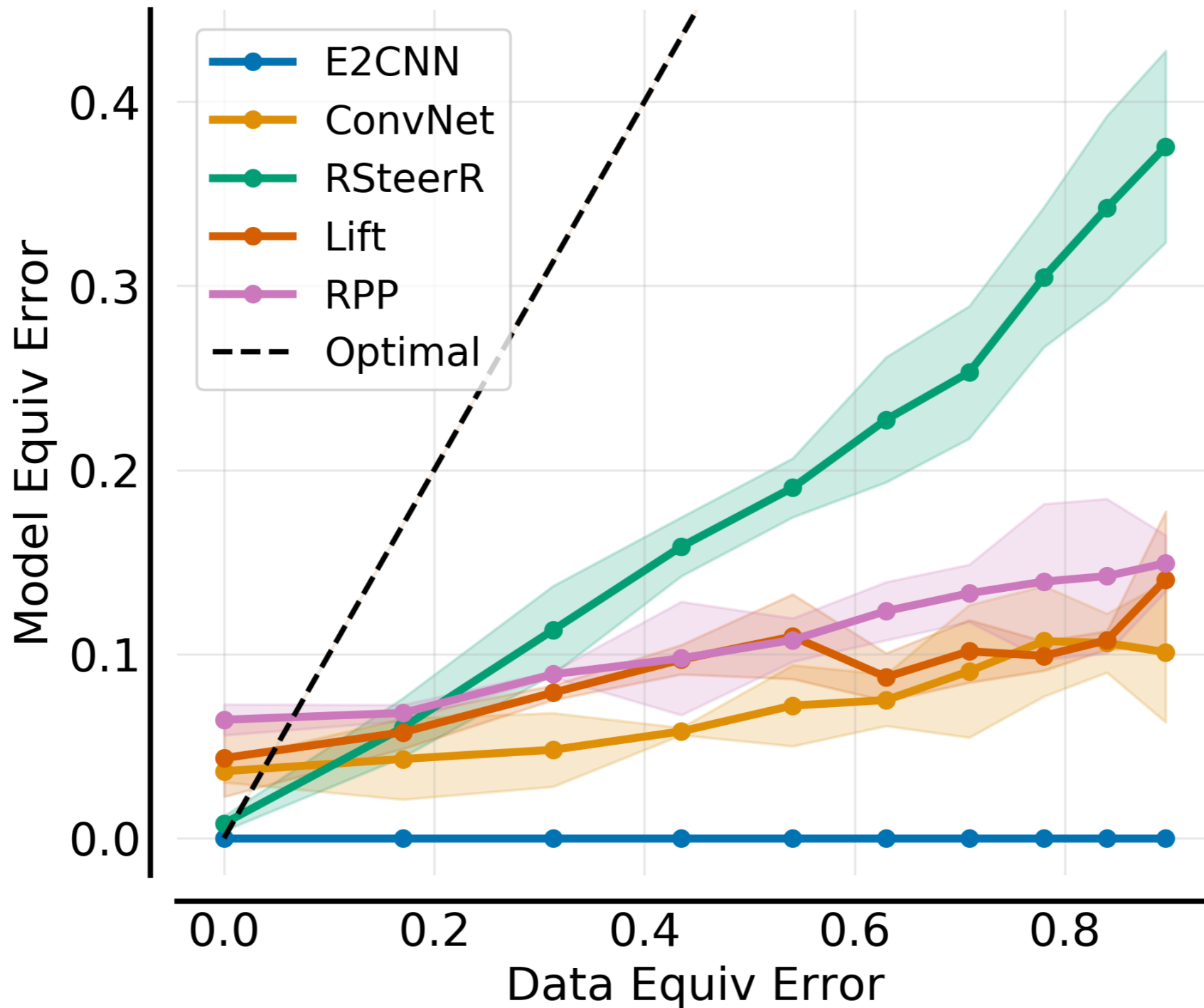
- Relaxed Steerable (**RSteer**):

$$\tilde{K}(hx) = \rho_{out}(h) \sum_{l=1}^L w_l(h) K_l(x) \rho_{in}(h^{-1})$$

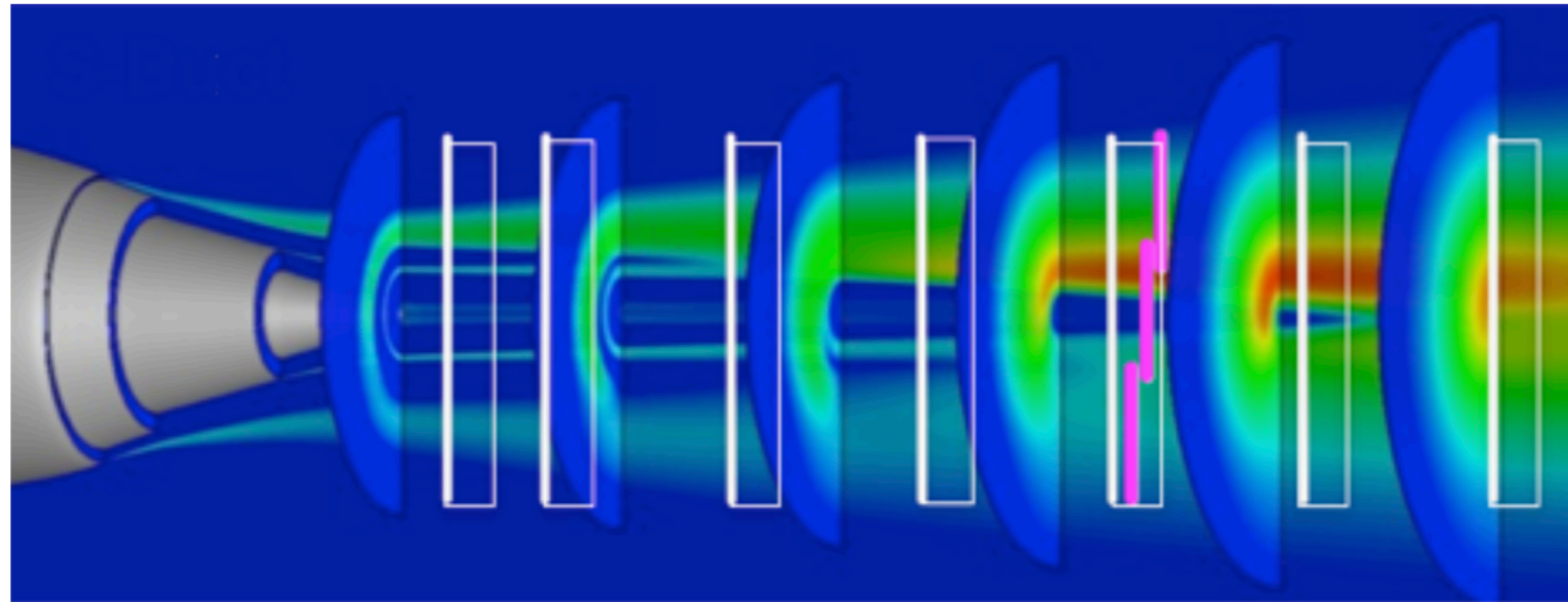
Smoke Plume



Smoke Plume Results



Supersonic Jet Flow



- Real experimental data of 2D turbulent velocity in multi-stream jets from NASA
- Measured using time-solved partial image velocimetry

Conclusion

- Incorporating **symmetry** in deep learning for learning spatiotemporal dynamics
 - **EquNet**: symmetry in differential equations
 - **Relaxed-EquNet**: approximate symmetry
- Probabilistic modeling, symmetry discovery, etc...

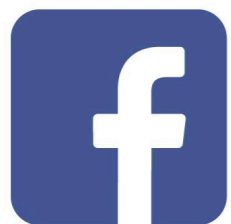
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Equivariant Neural Networks & Symmetry Discovery

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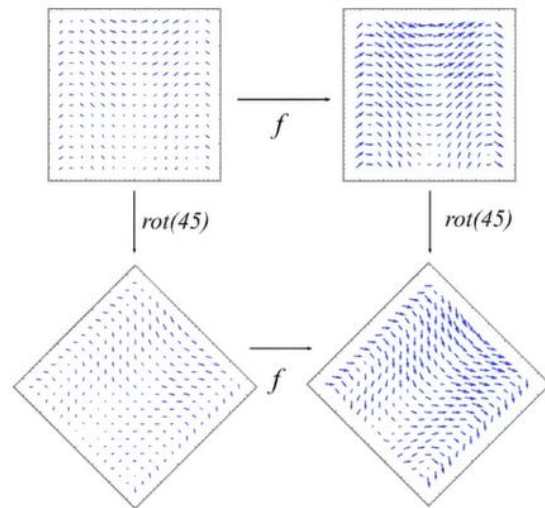
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Symmetry

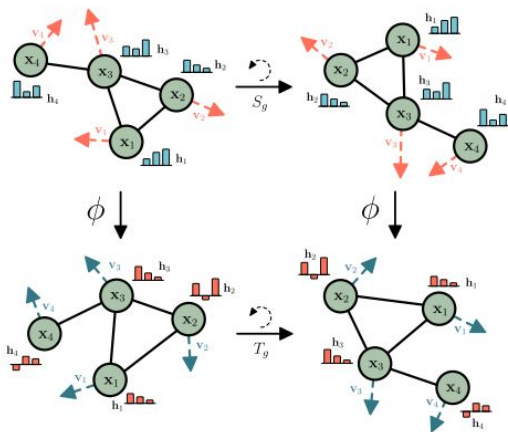
- **Group:** a set with an operation satisfying group axioms
 - Associativity
 - Identity element
 - Inverse elements
- **Invariance & Equivariance:** function and group
 - G-invariant: $f(gx) = f(x), \forall g \in G$
 - G-equivariant: $f(gx) = gf(x), \forall g \in G$

$$f(x, y) = (x, 2y)$$
$$\rho(g_\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

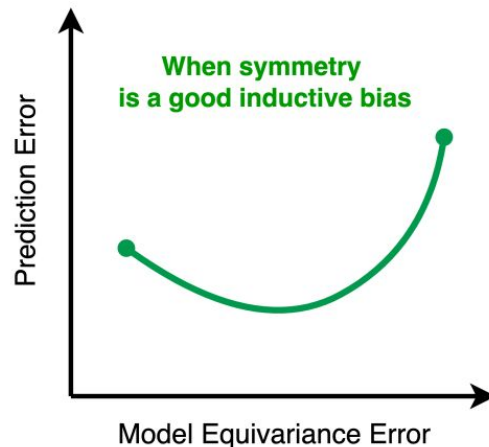


Symmetry

- Equivariance is an important inductive bias in deep learning [Bronstein et al., 2021]
- Most existing equivariant NN models require knowing the symmetry before constructing the model
 - which is sometimes unrealistic and not optimal



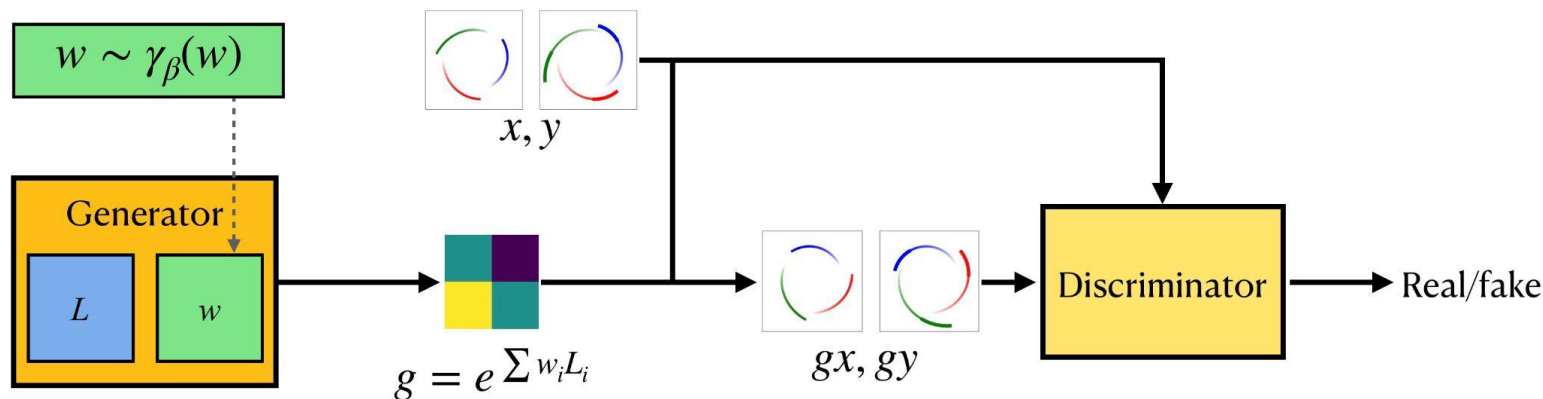
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Symmetry Discovery

- LieGAN framework



Structure of the proposed LieGAN model. The transformation generator learns a continuous Lie group acting on the data that preserves the original joint distribution. This is an example task of predicting future 3-body movement based on past observations, where the generator could learn rotation symmetry.

Symmetry Discovery

- Meta-learning Symmetries by Reparameterization [Zhou et al., 2021]

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \pi(e) \\ \pi(g) \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{group representation}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{symmetry matrix}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \color{red}\square \\ \color{blue}\square \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{parameters}} = \begin{pmatrix} \color{red}\square \\ \color{blue}\square \\ \color{blue}\square \\ \color{red}\square \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{reshape}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \color{red}\square & \color{blue}\square \\ \color{blue}\square & \color{red}\square \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{layer weights}}
 \end{array}$$

$U \bullet v = \text{vec}(W) \rightarrow W$

Figure 2: We reparameterize the weights of each layer in terms of a symmetry matrix U that can enforce equivariant sharing patterns of the filter parameters v . Here we show a U that enforces permutation equivariance. More technically, the layer implements group convolution on the permutation group S_2 : U 's block submatrices $\pi(e), \pi(g)$ define the action of each permutation on filter v . Note that U need not be binary in general.

Proposition 1 Suppose G is a finite group $\{g_1, \dots, g_m\}$. There exists a $U^G \in \mathbb{R}^{mn \times n}$ such that for any $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the layer with weights $\text{vec}(W) = U^G v$ implements G -convolution on input $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Moreover, with this fixed choice of U^G , any G -convolution can be represented by a weight matrix $\text{vec}(W) = U^G v$ for some $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Symmetry Discovery

- Augerino [Benton et al., 2020]: finding the extent of symmetry

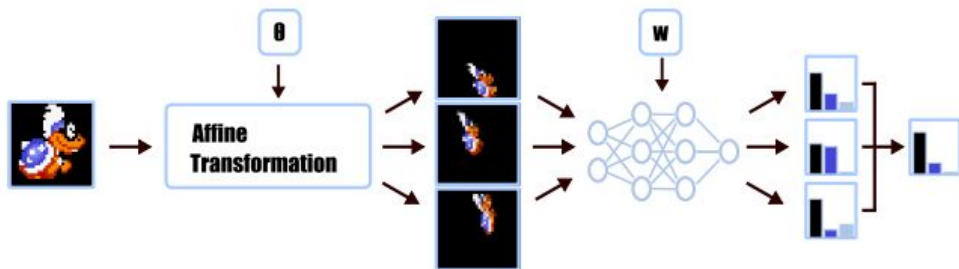
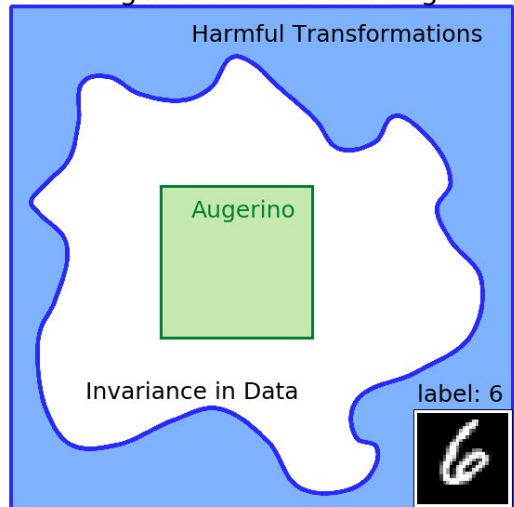


Figure 1: The Augerino framework. Augmentations are sampled from a distribution governed by parameters θ , and applied to an input to produce multiple augmented inputs. These augmented inputs are then passed to a neural network with weights w , and the final prediction is generated by averaging over the multiple outputs. Augerino discovers invariances by learning θ from training data alone.

Learning Invariances with Augerino

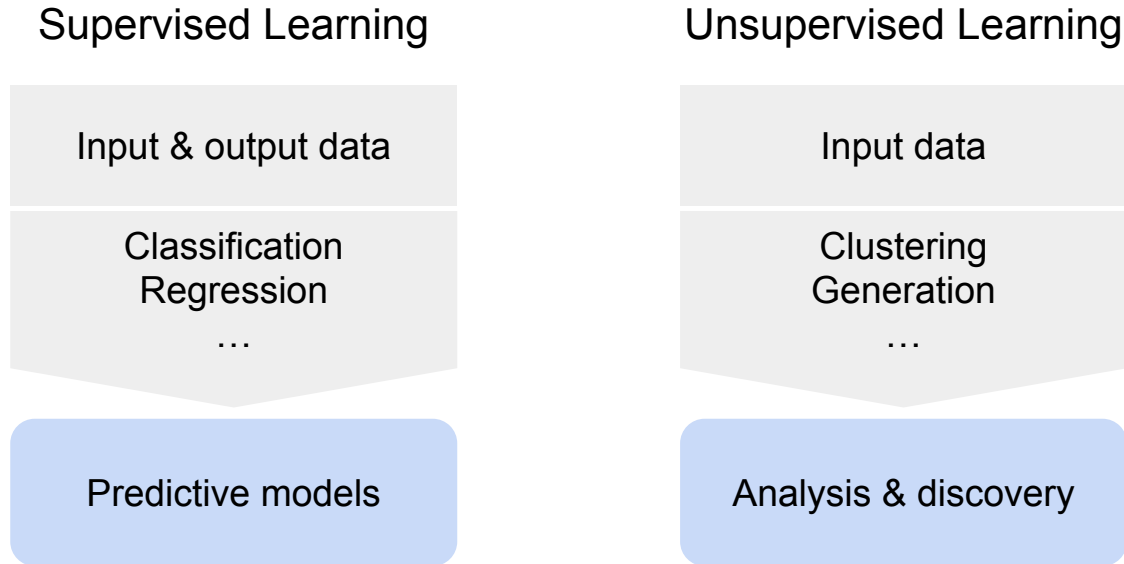


Symmetry Discovery

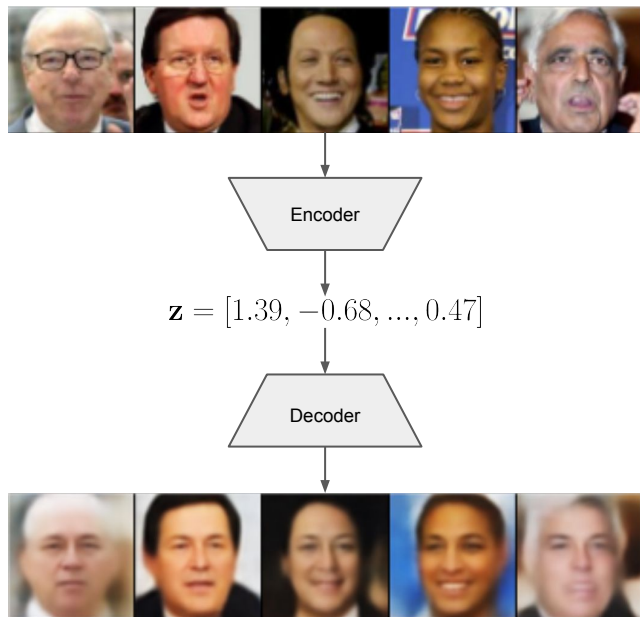
Table 1. Comparison of different models' capability of discovering different kinds of symmetries

SYMMETRY	MSR	AUGERINO	LIEGAN
DISCRETE	✓	✗	✓
CONTINUOUS	✗	✗	✓
GIVEN GROUP SUBSET	✗	✓	✓
UNKNOWN GROUP SUBSET	✗	✗	✓

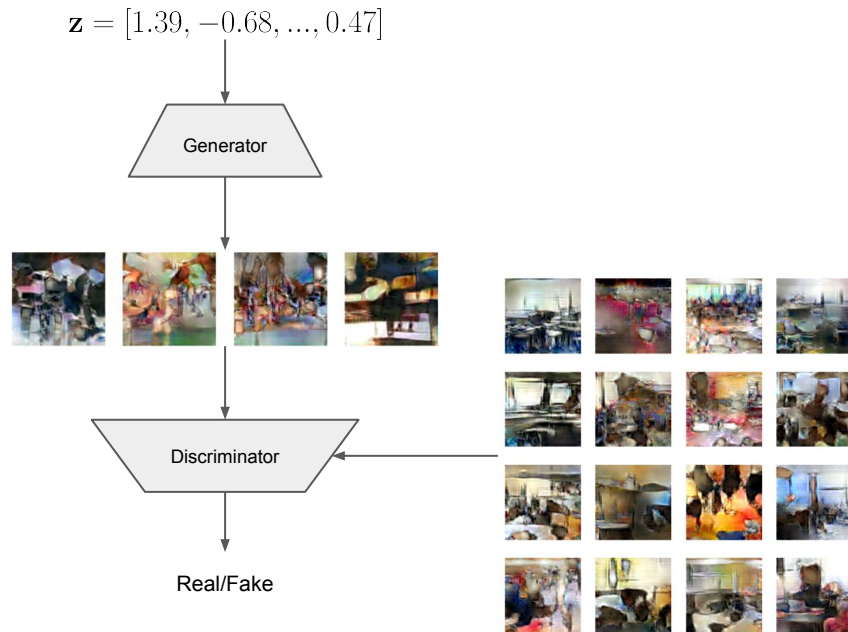
Supervised vs Unsupervised Learning



Generative Models



Variational Autoencoder



Generative Adversarial Network

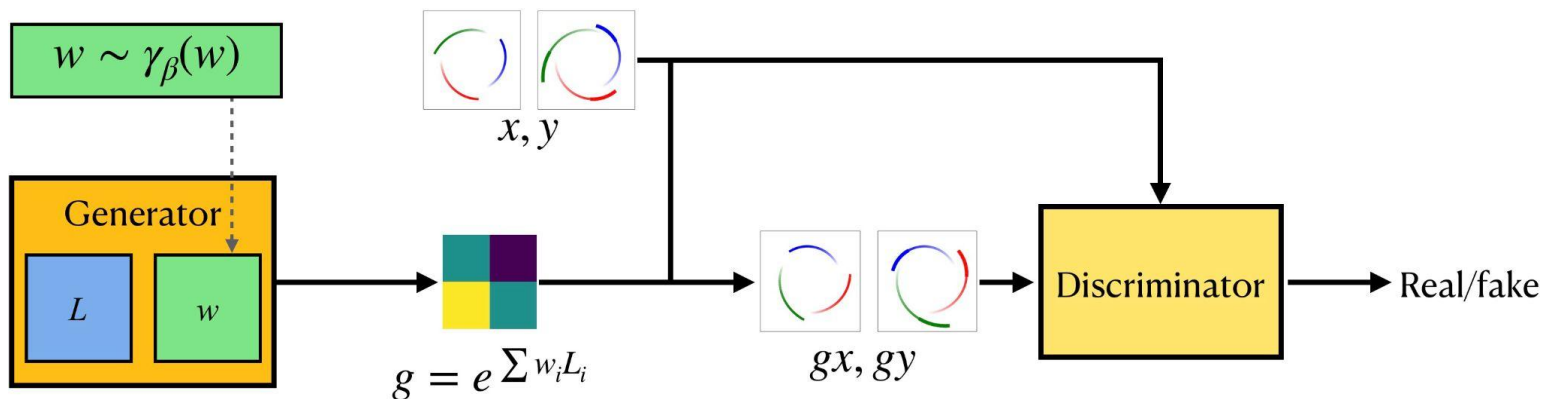
Symmetry Discovery

- Problem definition: what are we trying to discover?
 - The unknown *equivariance* property of a given dataset

Given a dataset $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) | \mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x})\} \subset \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$ with an unobserved function $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ that maps \mathbf{x} to \mathbf{y} , we want to discover the equivariance property of this function, that is, to find a group G acting on \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} through linear group representations $\rho_{\mathcal{X}} : G \rightarrow GL(n)$ and $\rho_{\mathcal{Y}} : G \rightarrow GL(m)$ such that $\forall g \in G, (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{D}, \rho_{\mathcal{Y}}(g)\mathbf{y} = f(\rho_{\mathcal{X}}(g)\mathbf{x})$. We may also directly write group elements instead of their representations for simplification: $g\mathbf{y} = f(g\mathbf{x})$.

Generative Model for Symmetry Discovery

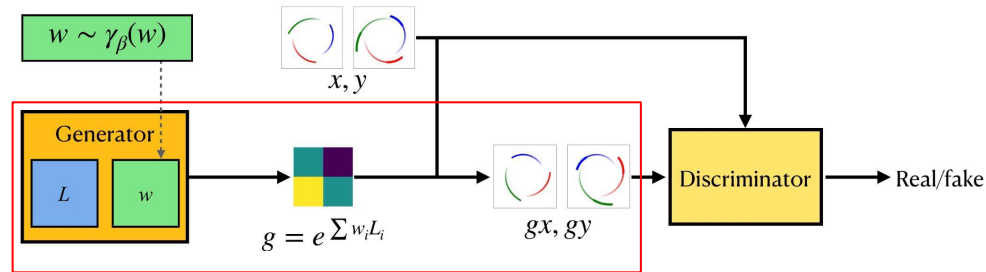
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Model Design

- GAN generator



$$g \sim \mu_\beta(g)$$

$$\Phi(x, y) = (\rho_x(g)x, \rho_y(g)y)$$

- Loss function

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\Phi} \max_D L(\Phi, D) &= \mathbb{E}_{x, y \sim p_d, g \sim \mu_\beta} [\log D(x, y) + \log(1 - D(\Phi(x, y)))] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x, y \sim p_d} [\log D(x, y)] + \mathbb{E}_{x, y \sim p_g} [\log(1 - D(x, y))] \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Correctness

Theorem 1. *The generator can achieve zero JS divergence by learning a maximal subgroup $G^* \subset \text{GL}(n)$ with respect to which $y = f(x)$ is equivariant if $p_d(x)$ is distributed proportionally to the volume of inverse group element transformation along each orbit of G^* -action on \mathcal{X} , that is, $p_d(gx_0) \propto |\rho_{\mathcal{X}}(g^{-1})| |\rho_{\mathcal{Y}}(g^{-1})|$.*

Theorem 2. *Under assumptions 1,2 and 3, the GAN loss function under the ideal discriminator $L(\Phi, D^*)$ is lower with a generator that learns a subspace of the true Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}^* than a generator with an orthogonal Lie algebra to \mathfrak{g}^* . That is, if $\mathfrak{g}_1 \cap \mathfrak{g}^* \neq \{0\}$, $\mathfrak{g}_2 \cap \mathfrak{g}^* = \{0\}$, then $L(\mathfrak{g}_1, D^*) < L(\mathfrak{g}_2, D^*) = 0$.*

Model Design

- How to parameterize a distribution over a matrix group?
- Consider the following density function:

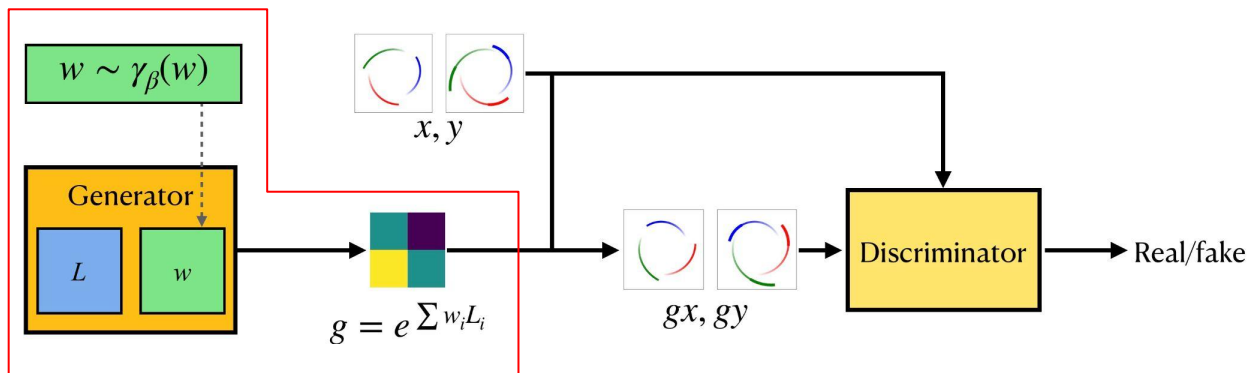
$$p\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 1, \quad p\left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$$

Arbitrary distribution over general linear group
may not respect the group axioms!

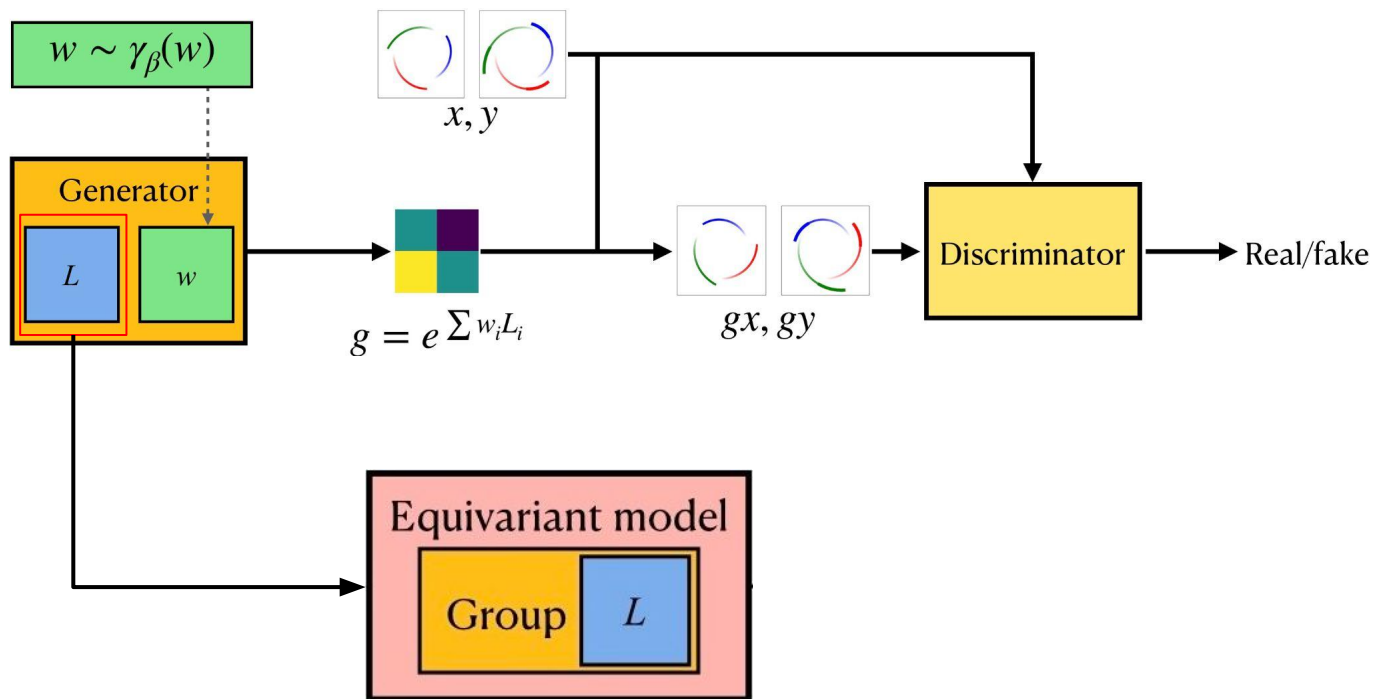
Symmetry Discovery

- Parameterizing the distribution over continuous Lie group

$$g \sim \mu_\beta(g) \longrightarrow w \sim \gamma_\beta(w), \quad g = \exp \left[\sum_i w_i L_i \right]$$



Symmetry Discovery for Prediction



Example: Equivariant GNN

- E-GNN enforces $E(n)$ symmetry by invariant features [Satorras et al, 2022]

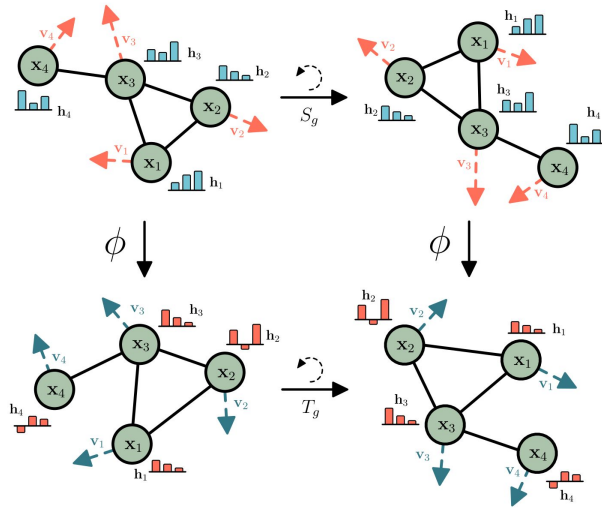


Figure 1. Example of rotation equivariance on a graph with a graph neural network ϕ

EGNN
$\mathbf{m}_{ij} = \phi_e(\mathbf{h}_i^l, \mathbf{h}_j^l, \ \mathbf{r}_{ij}^l\ ^2, a_{ij})$ $\hat{\mathbf{m}}_{ij} = \mathbf{r}_{ij}^l \phi_x(\mathbf{m}_{ij})$
$\mathbf{m}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{m}_{ij}$ $\hat{\mathbf{m}}_i = C \sum_{j \neq i} \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{ij}$
$\mathbf{h}_i^{l+1} = \phi_h(\mathbf{h}_i^l, \mathbf{m}_i)$ $\mathbf{x}_i^{l+1} = \mathbf{x}_i^l + \hat{\mathbf{m}}_i$
$E(n)$ -Equivariant

Example: Equivariant GNN

- Replacing $E(n)$ with discovered symmetry from LieGAN
- Use invariant feature

$$m_{ij} = \phi_e(h_i, h_j, \|x_i - x_j\|_J^2, \langle x_i, x_j \rangle_J)$$

$$\text{where } \|u\|_J = \sqrt{u^T J u}, \quad \langle u, v \rangle_J = u^T J v$$

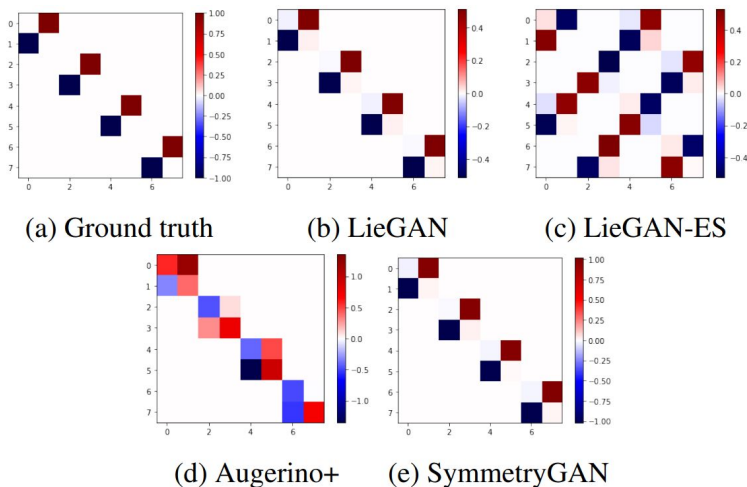
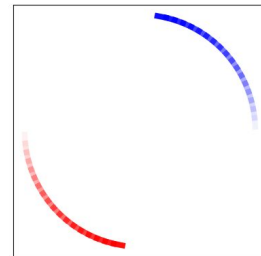
- Compute general group invariant metric tensor

Proposition 1. *Given a Lie algebra basis $\{L_i \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}\}_{i=1}^c$, $\eta(u, v) = u^T J v$ ($u, v \in \mathbb{R}^k, J \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$) is invariant to infinitesimal transformations in the Lie group G generated by $\{L_i\}_{i=1}^c$ if and only if $L_i^T J + J L_i = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, c$.*

$$\arg \min_J \sum_{i=1}^c \|L_i^T J + J L_i\|^2 - a \cdot \|J\|^2$$

Discovering Symmetry in 2-Body Trajectory

- Task: predict future dynamics given the past observations
- Input / output: planar positions and momentums of two masses
- Rotation equivariance ($SO(2)$)



LieGAN discovers correct rotation symmetry with different parameterizations.

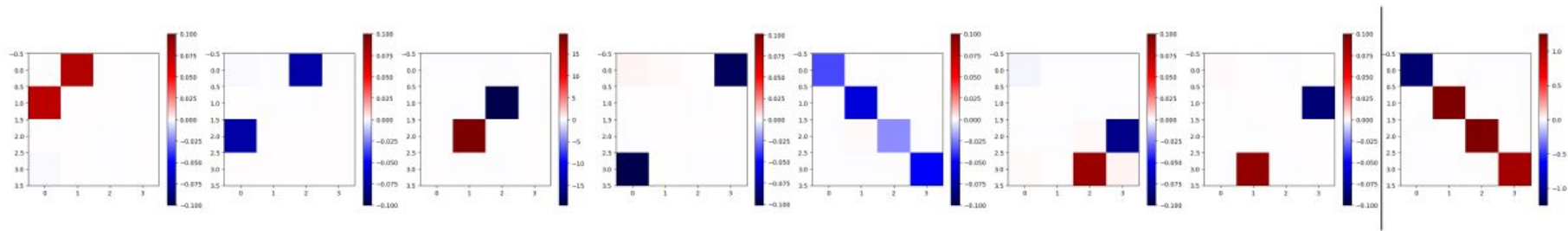
Predicting 2-Body Trajectory

- Test MSE loss for 2-body trajectory prediction
- Symmetries from different discovery models and ground truth are inserted into EMLP or used to perform data augmentation

Model	EMLP	Data Aug.
LieGAN	6.43e-5	3.79e-5
LieGAN-ES	2.41e-4	6.17e-5
Augerino+	9.41e-4	1.47e0
SymmetryGAN	-	6.79e-4
Ground truth	9.45e-6	1.39e-5
HNN	3.63e-4	
MLP	8.49e-2	

Discovering Lorentz Symmetry in Top Quark Tagging

- Task: binary classification between top quark jets and background
- Input: 4-momenta of the particle jets
- Lorentz transformation invariance ($O(1,3)$)



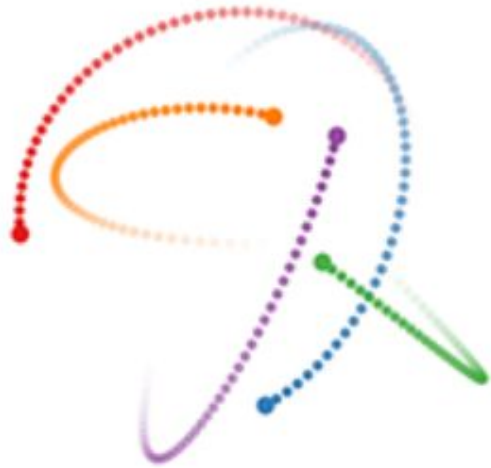
- Left: LieGAN discovers an approximate restricted Lorentz group symmetry
- Right: Computed invariant metric of the discovered symmetry

Top Quark Tagging

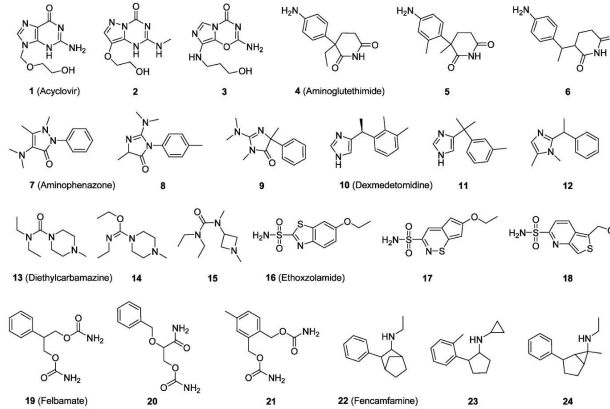
- Test accuracy and AUROC for top tagging
- LieGNN reaches the performance with LorentzNet which explicitly encodes Lorentz symmetry

Model	Accuracy	AUROC
LorentzNet	0.940	0.9857
LieGNN	0.938	0.9848
LorentzNet (w/o)	0.934	0.9832
EGNN	0.922	0.9760

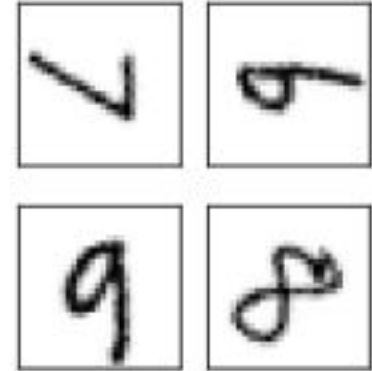
Applications



Dynamics



Molecules



Vision

Conclusion

- Discover general linear symmetries from data with LieGAN
- Interpretable Lie algebra basis as discovery result
- Larger search space than previous works
- Pipeline for utilizing discovered symmetry to downstream prediction tasks
- Scientific discovery with machine learning

Thank you!

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