

# Lecture 7:

# Deep Learning on Extrinsic Geometry

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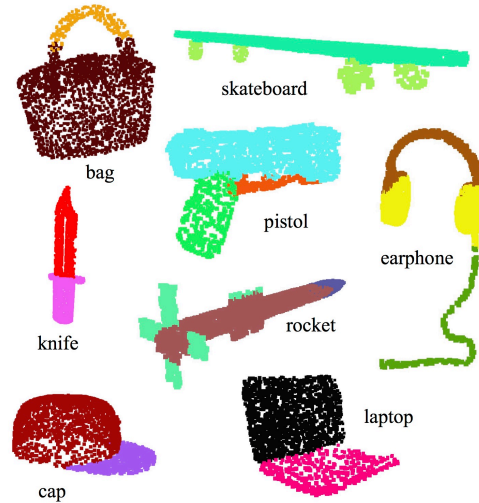
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# 3D deep learning tasks

## 3D geometry analysis



Classification



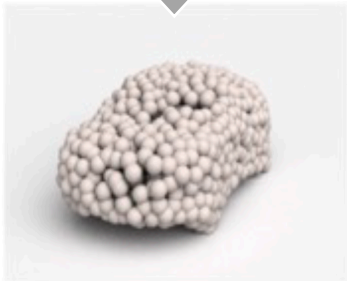
Parsing  
(object/scene)



Correspondence

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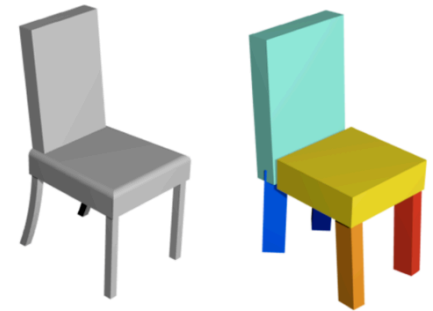
## 3D synthesis



Monocular  
3D reconstruction

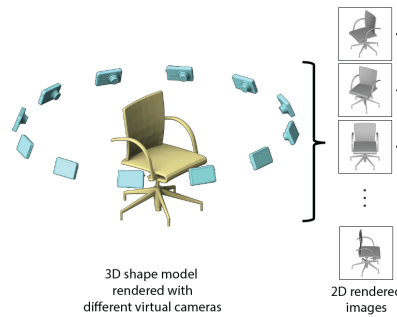


Shape completion



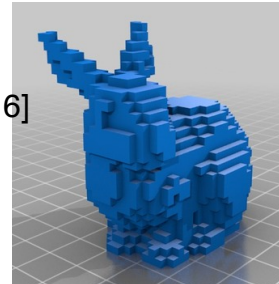
Shape modeling

# 3D deep learning algorithms (by representations)



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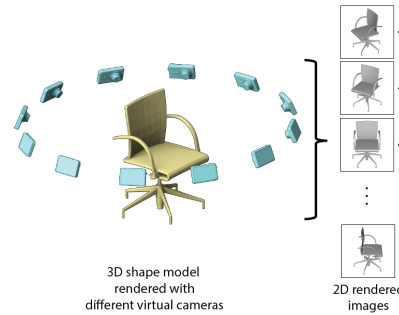


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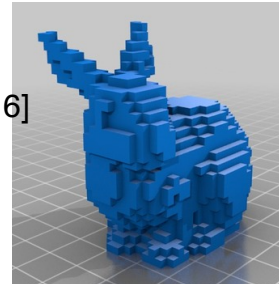


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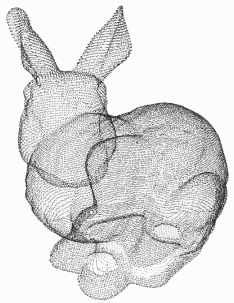
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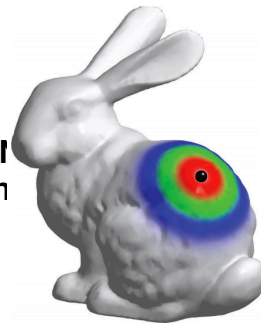
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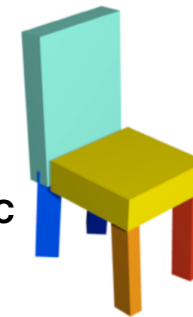
Point cloud

[Qi et al. 2017] (PointNet)  
[Fan et al. 2017] (PointNet++)



Mesh (Graph CNN)

[Defferrard et al. 2016]  
[Henaff et al. 2015]  
[Yi et al. 2017] (SyncSpec)  
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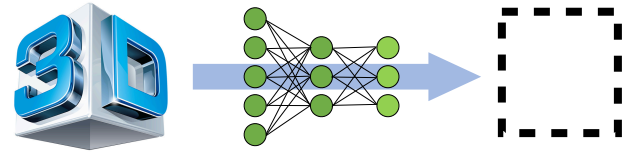


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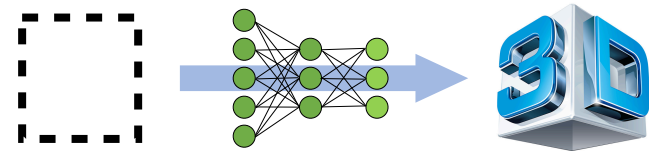
[Tulsiani et al. 2017]  
[Li et al. 2017] (GRASS)

# Cartesian product space of “task” and “representation”

**3D geometry analysis**



**3D synthesis**



# Deep Learning on Point Cloud Data

# Agenda

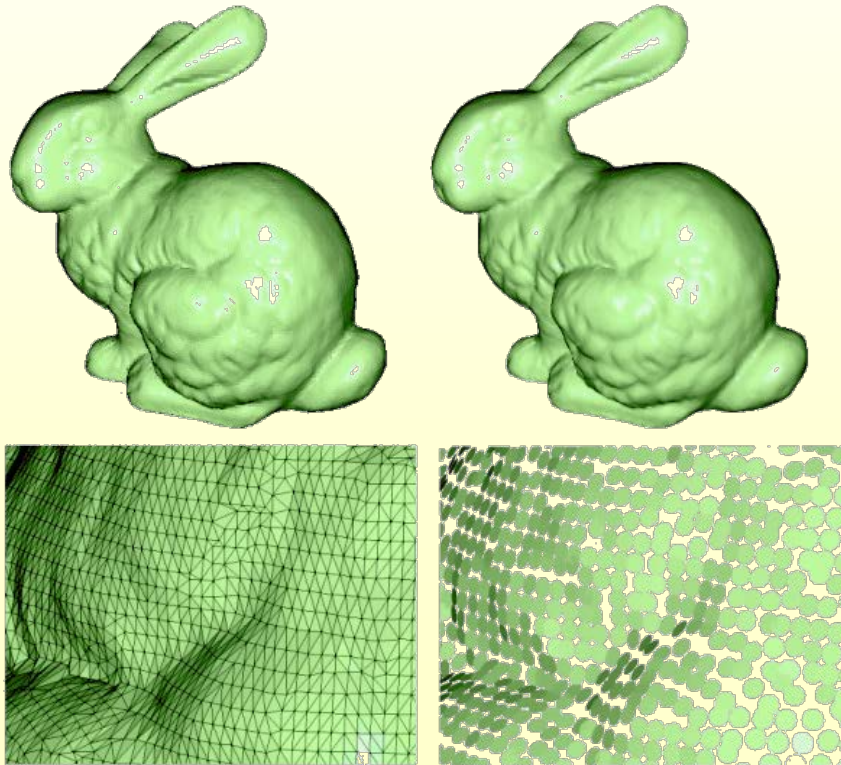
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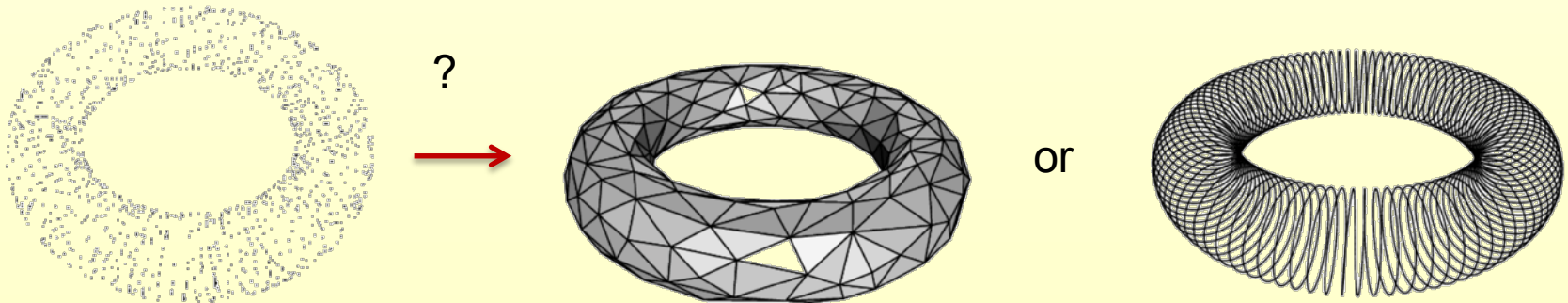
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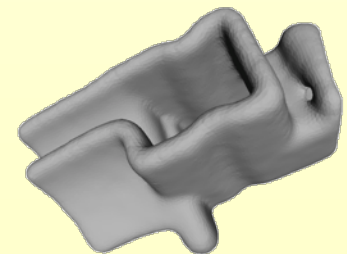
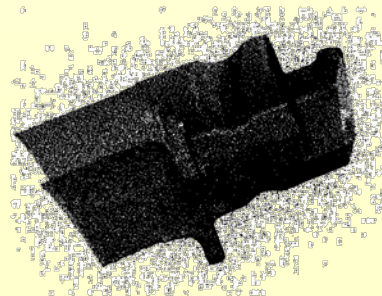
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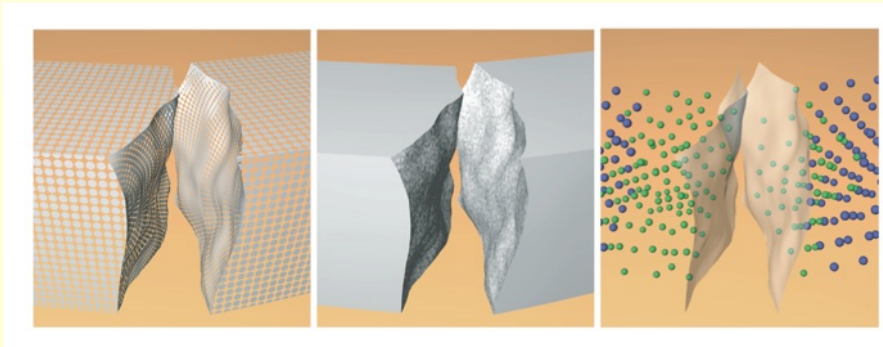
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# Why Point Clouds?

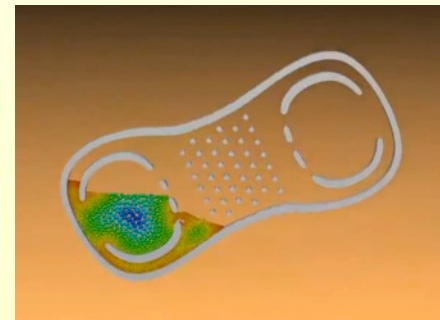
- 1) Typically, that's the only thing that's available
- 2) Isolation: sometimes, easier to handle (esp. in hardware).

Fracturing Solids



Meshless Animation of Fracturing Solids  
Pauly et al., SIGGRAPH '05

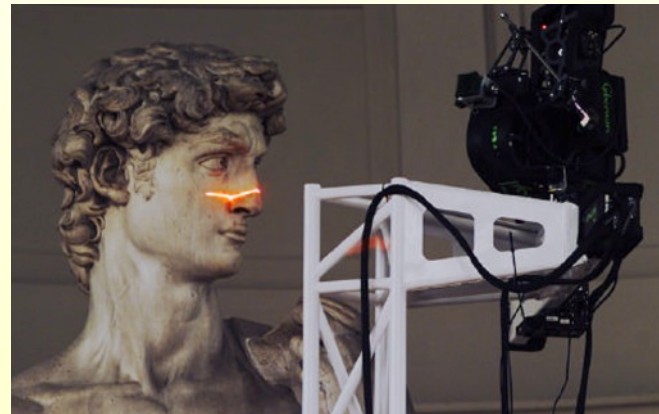
Fluids



Adaptively sampled particle fluids,  
Adams et al. SIGGRAPH '07

# Why Point Clouds?

- Typically, that's the only thing that's available  
    Nearly all 3D scanning devices produce point clouds



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- Why point cloud?
- **Comparison of point cloud**
- Point cloud generation by deep learning

# Point cloud as samples

- Point cloud can be thought as a representation of prob. distribution
- Compare point cloud is to compare underlying distributions

# Motivating Question

●  
Query

●  
**1**

●  
**2**

**Which is closer, 1 or 2?**

# Motivating Question

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Query



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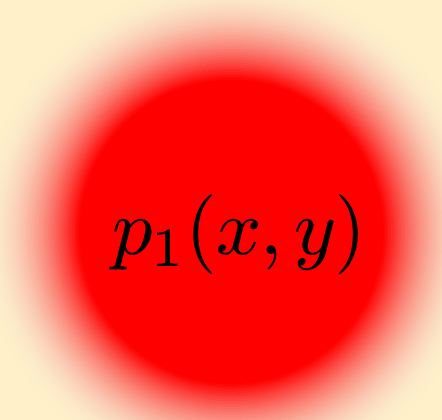
# Fuzzy Version

$p(x, y)$



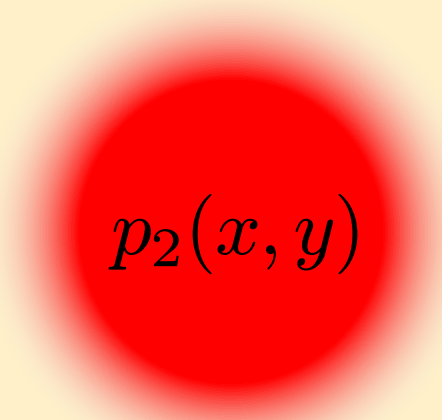
**Query**

$p_1(x, y)$



**1**

$p_2(x, y)$

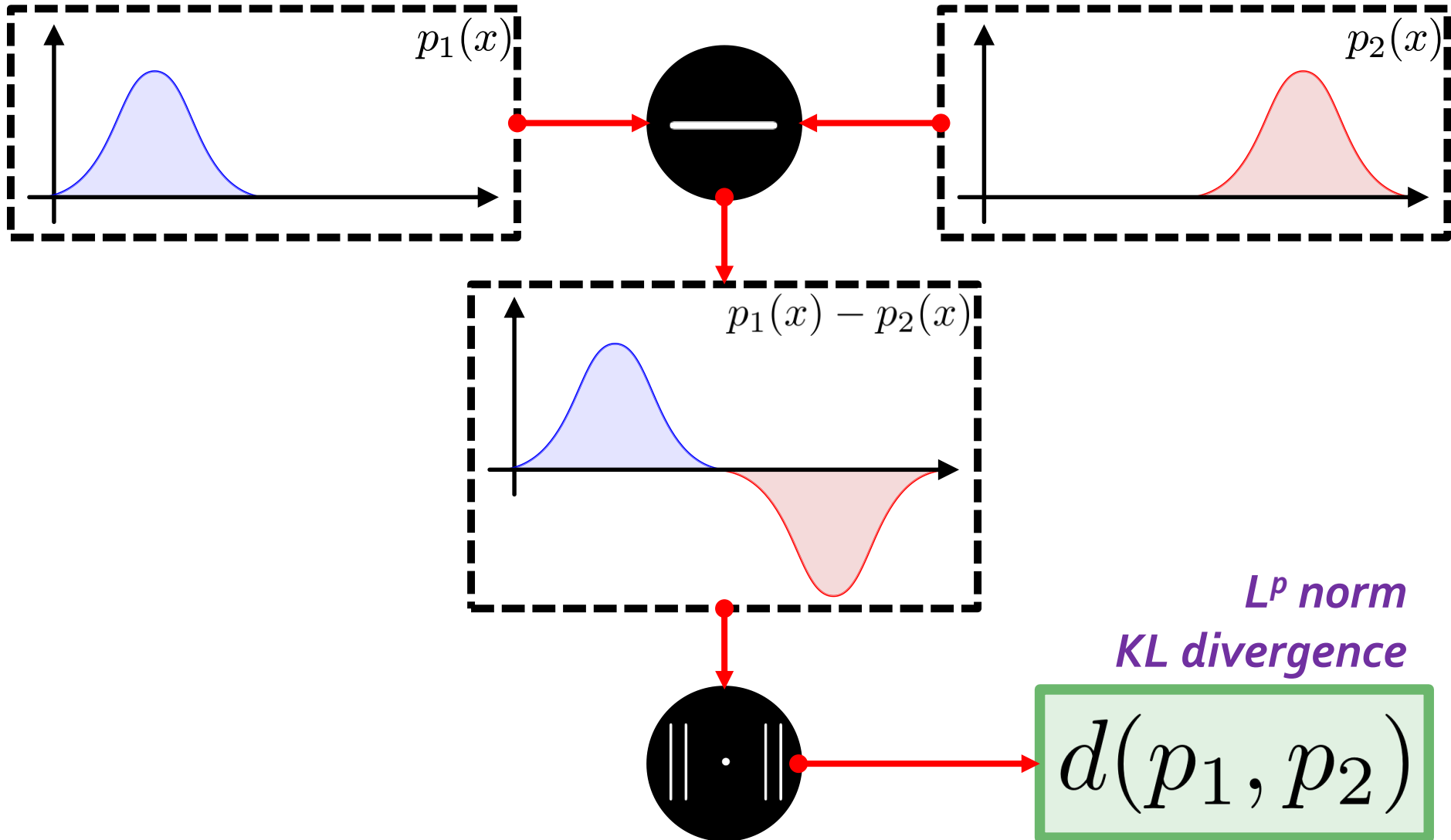


**2**

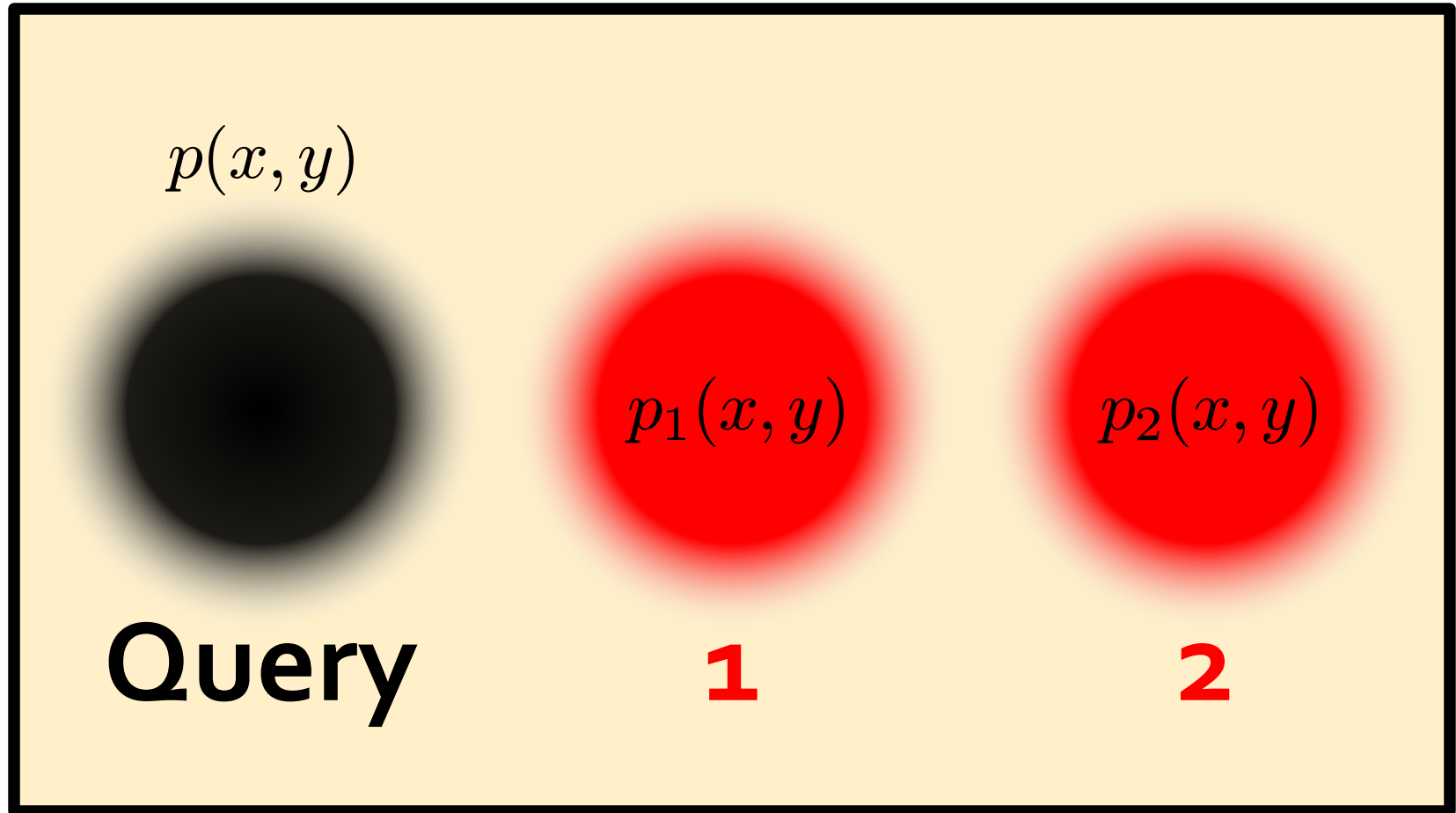
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# Typical Measurement

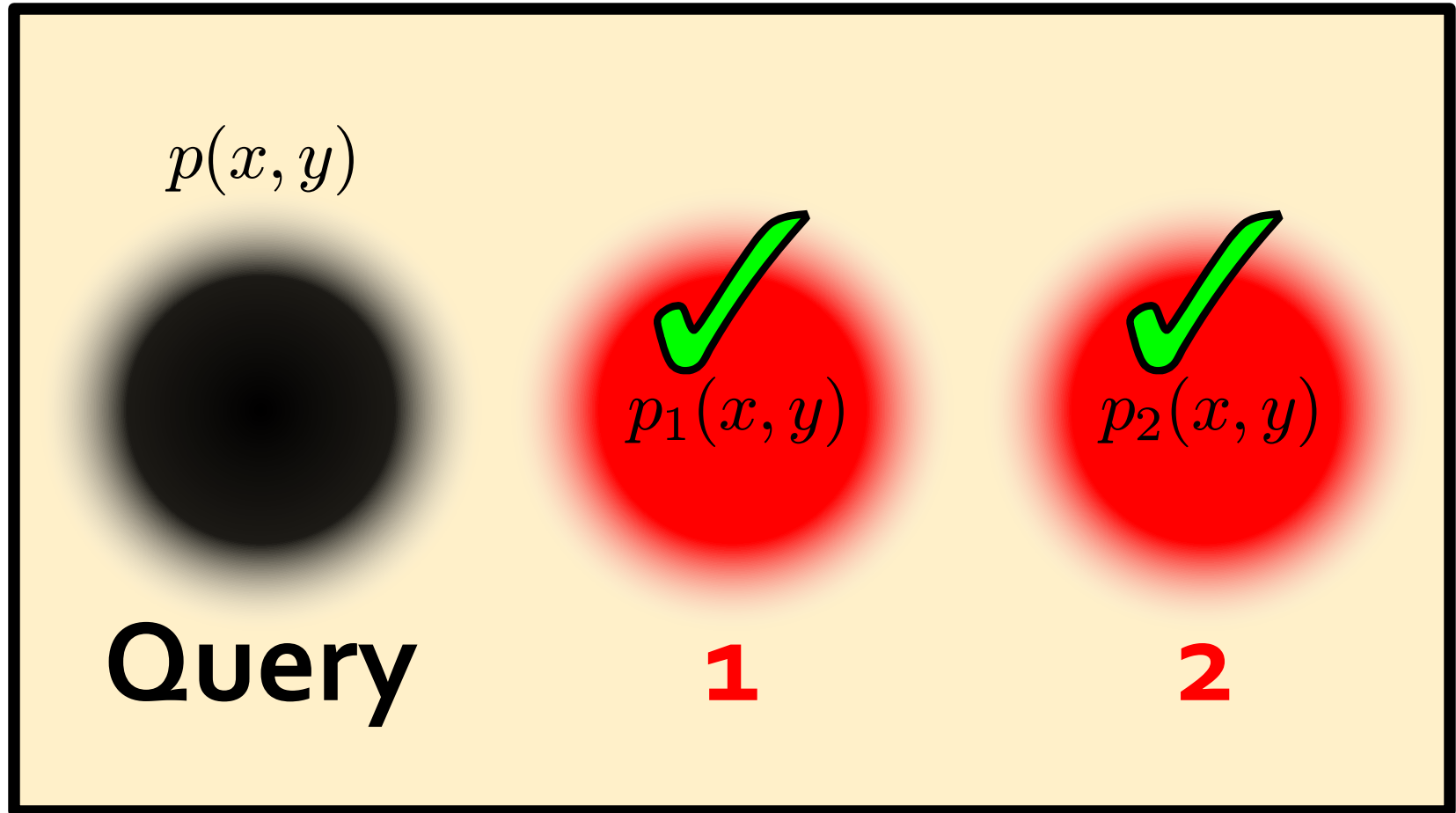


# Returning to the Question



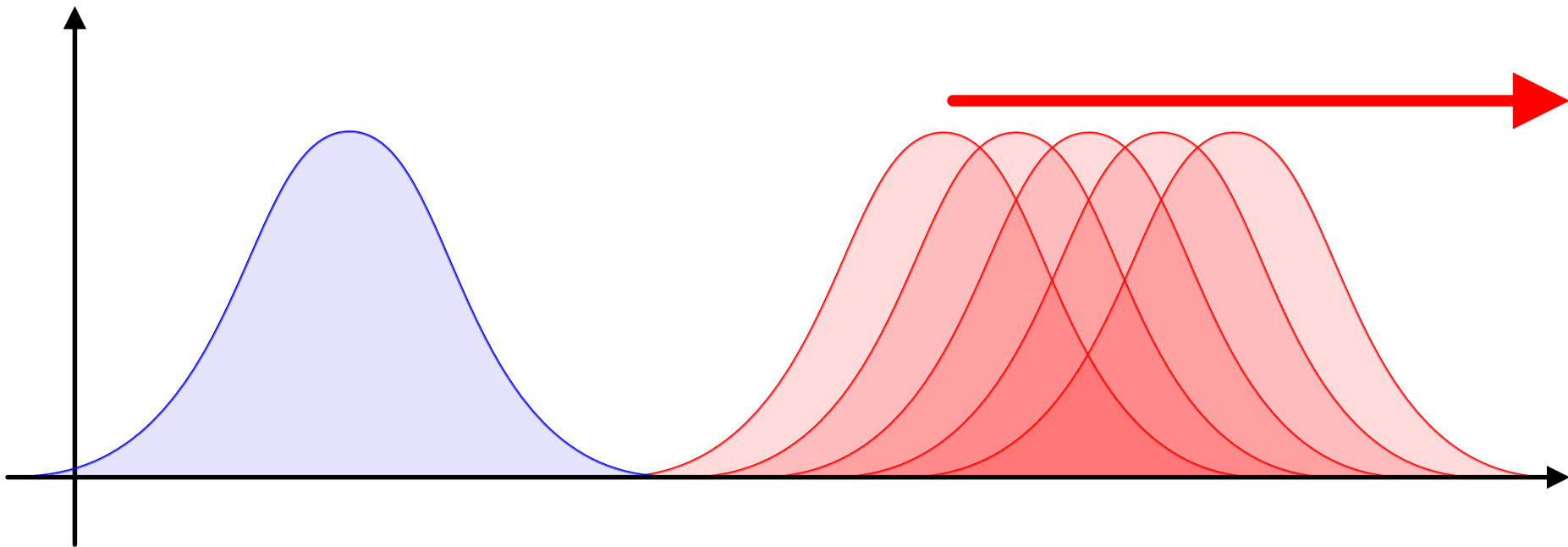
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**Neither! Equidistant.**

# What's Wrong?



**Measured overlap,  
not displacement.**

# Optimal Transport

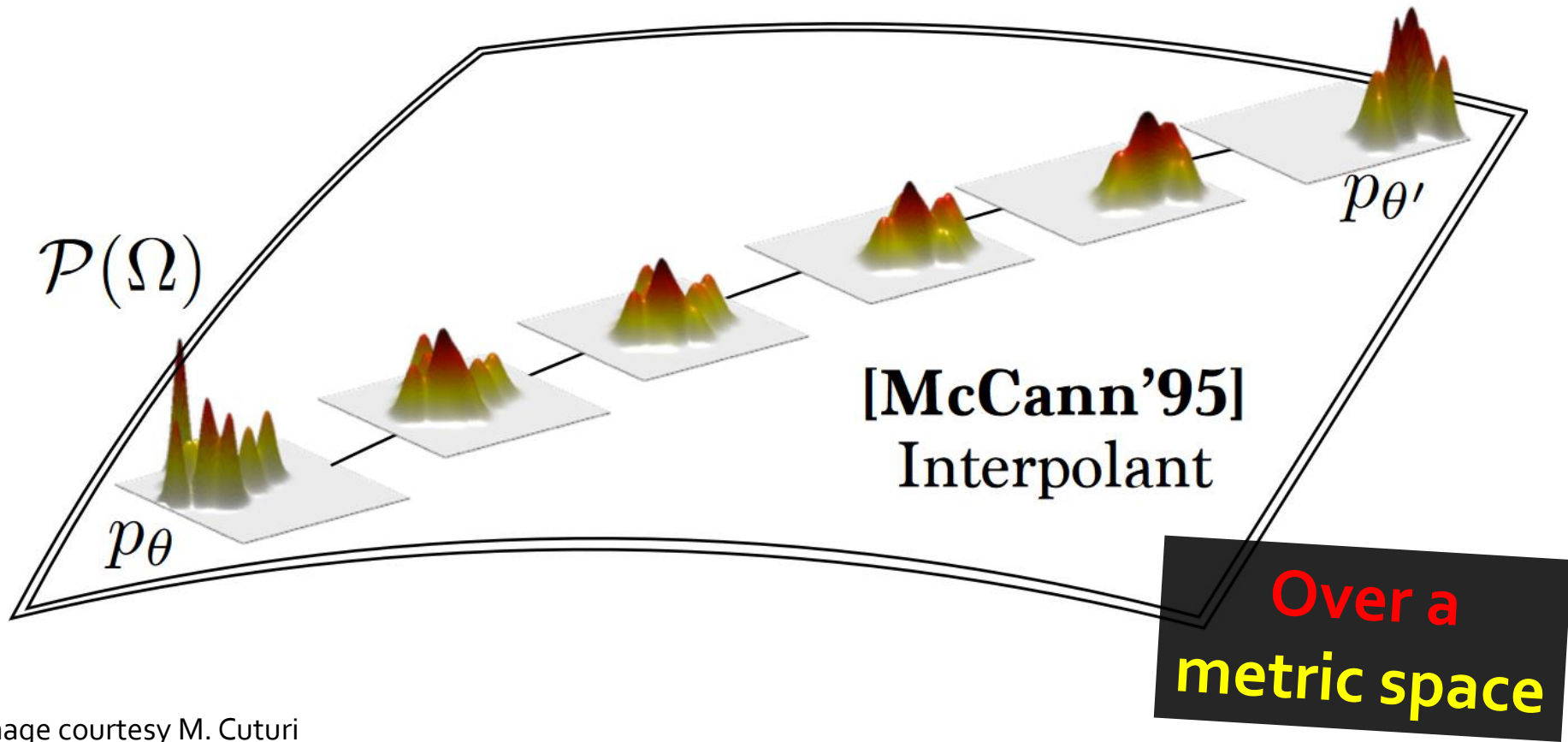
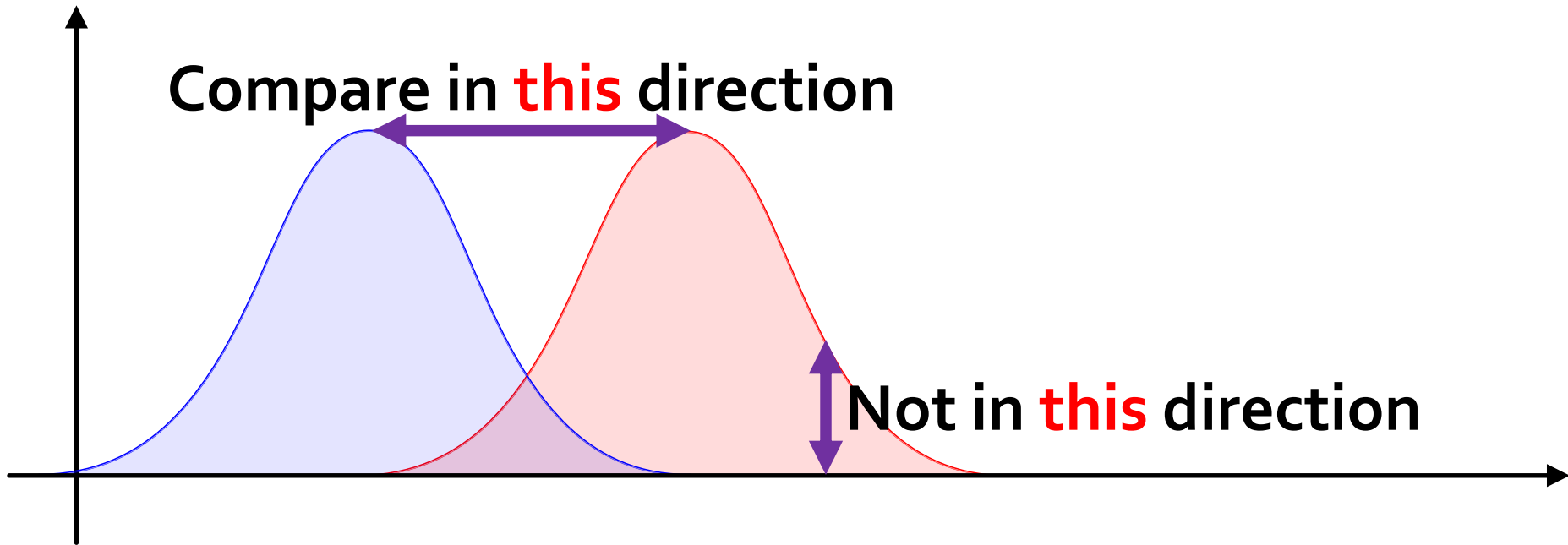


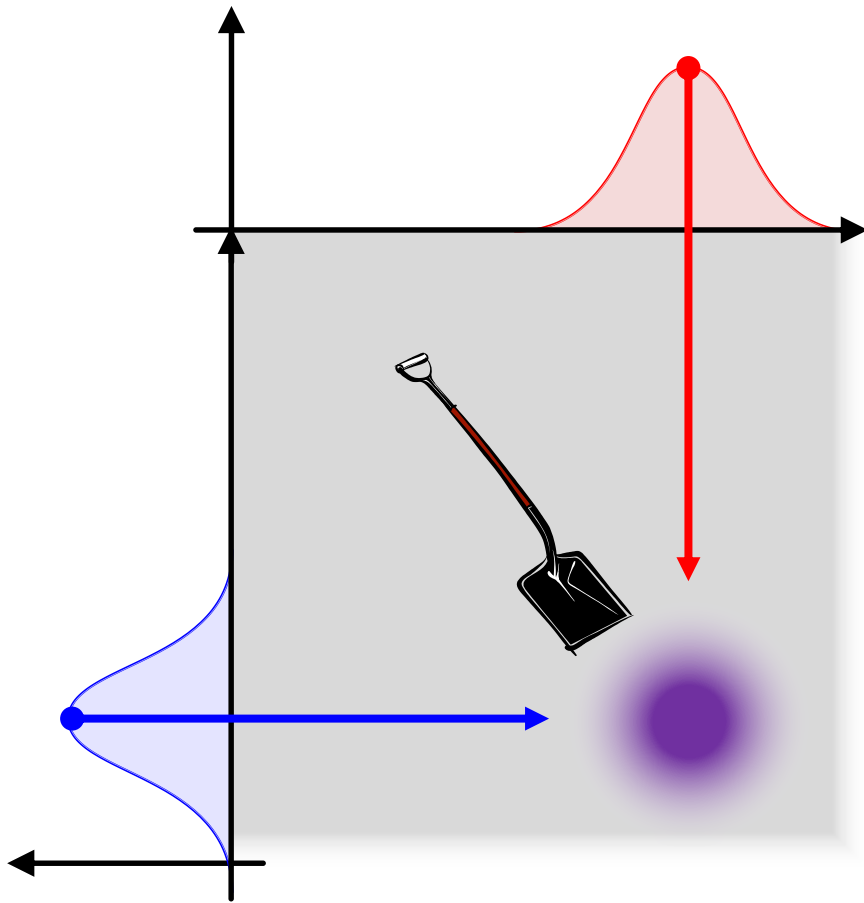
Image courtesy M. Cuturi

**Geometric theory of probability**

# Alternative Idea



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**Match mass from the distributions**

# Transportation Matrix

- Supply distribution  $p_0$
- Demand distribution  $p_1$

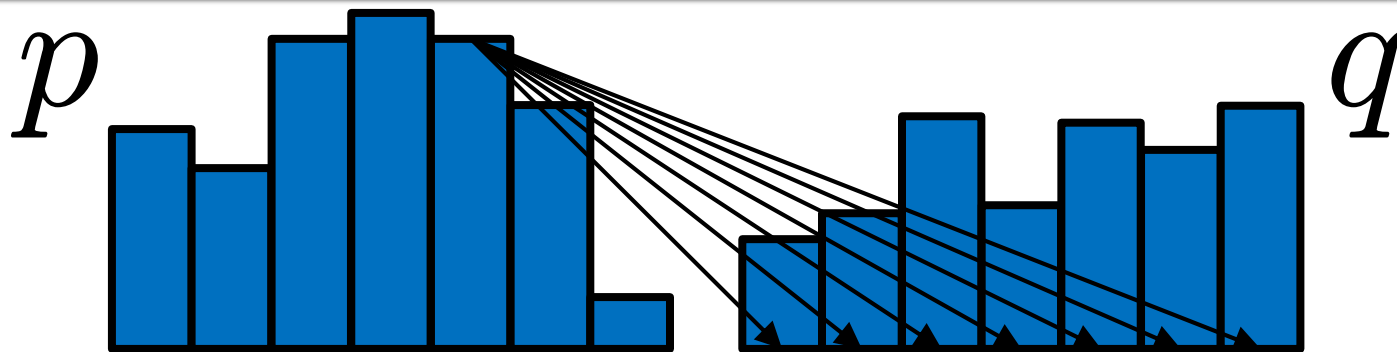
$$T \geq 0$$

$$T \mathbf{1} = p_0$$

$$T^\top \mathbf{1} = p_1$$



# Earth Mover's Distance



$$\begin{aligned} \min_T \quad & \sum_{ij} T_{ij} d(x_i, x_j) && m \cdot d(x, y) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_j T_{ij} = p_i && \text{Starts at } p \\ & \sum_i T_{ij} = q_j && \text{Ends at } q \\ & T \geq 0 && \text{Positive mass} \end{aligned}$$

# Important Theorem

**EMD is a metric** when  $d(x,y)$   
satisfies the triangle inequality.

**“The Earth Mover's Distance as a Metric for Image Retrieval”**

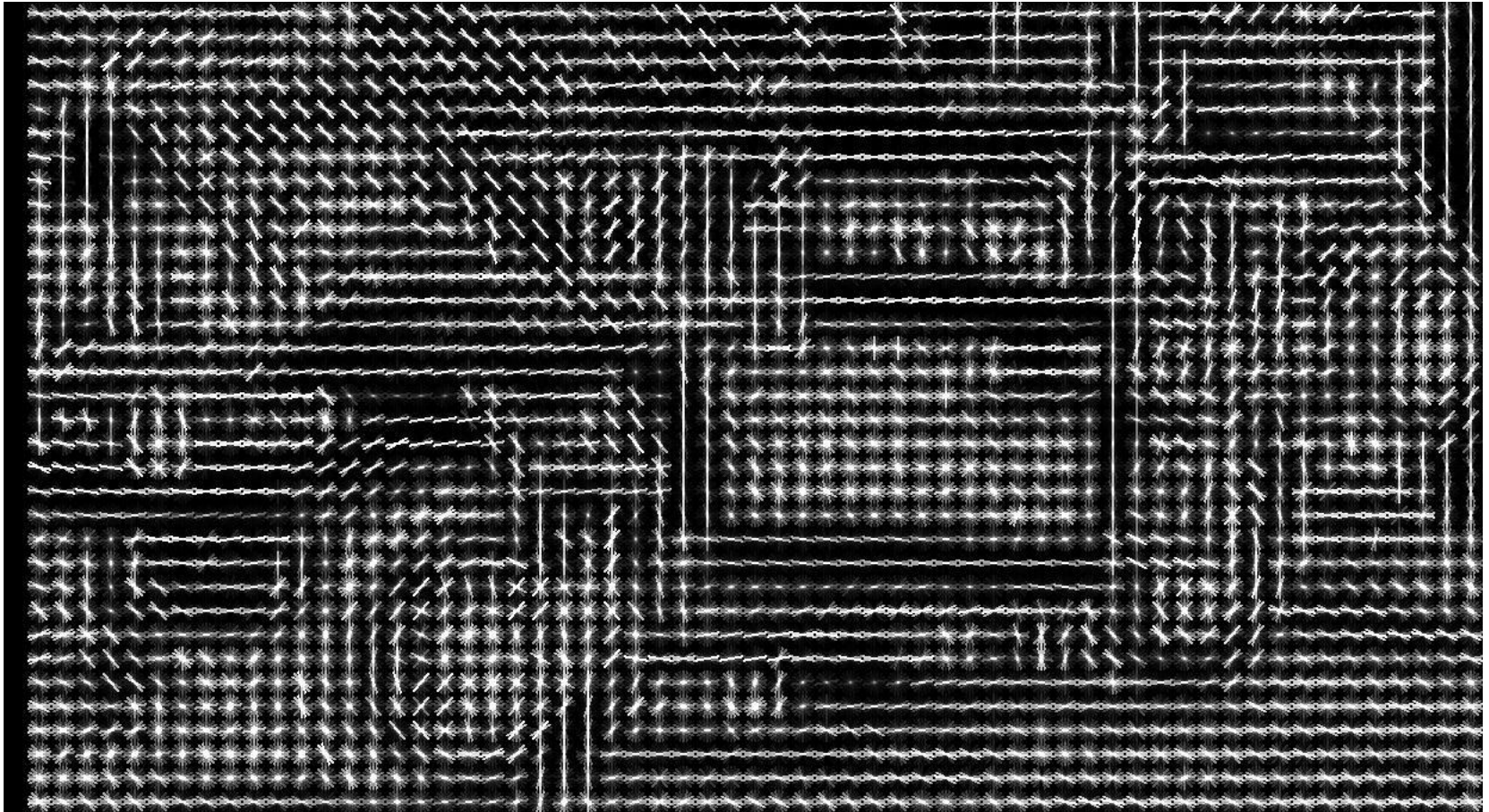
Rubner, Tomasi, and Guibas; IJCV 40.2 (2000): 99—121.

*Revised in:*

**“Ground Metric Learning”**

Cuturi and Avis; JMLR 15 (2014)

# Basic Application

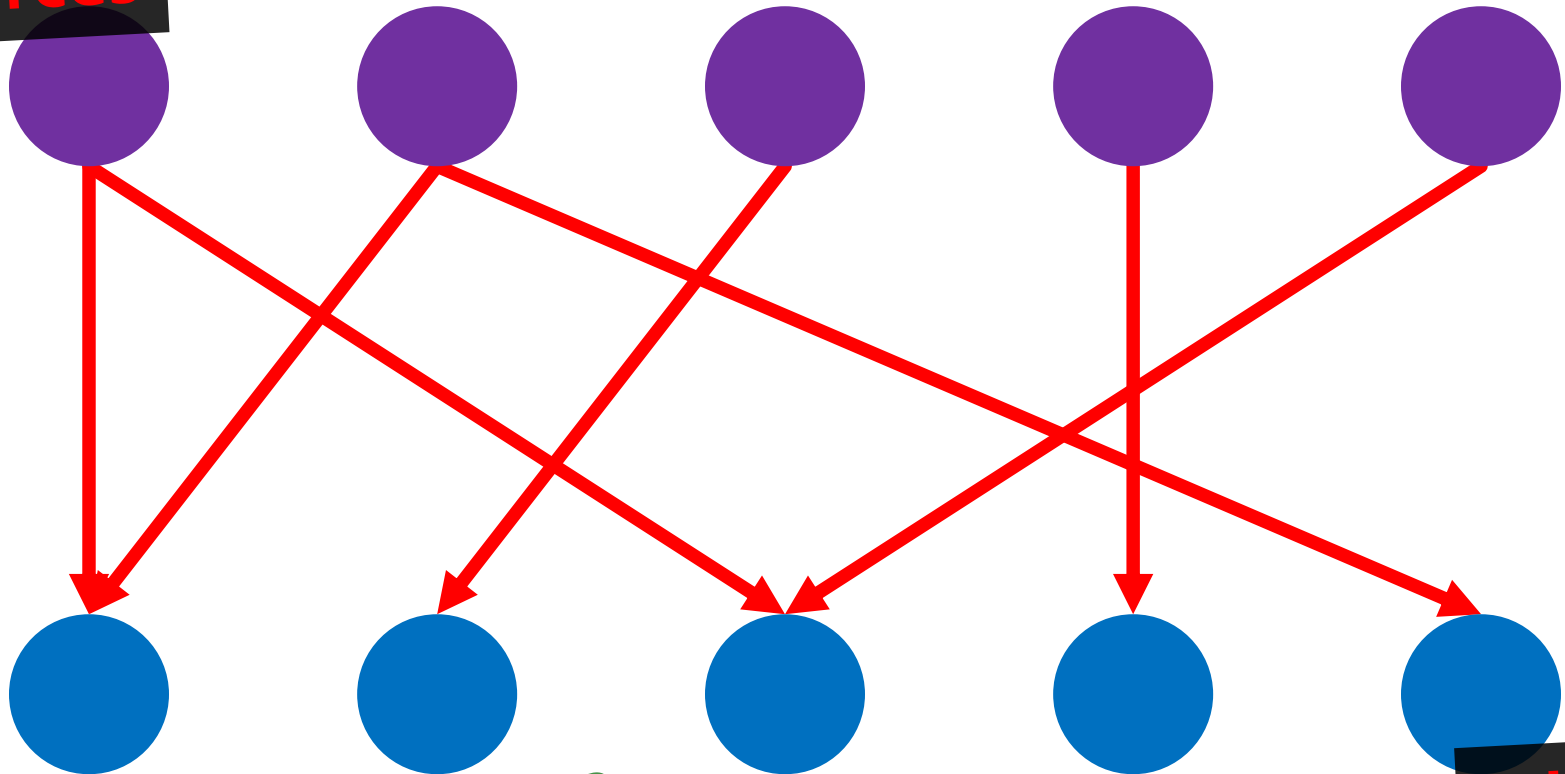


<http://web.mit.edu/vondrick/ihog/>

## Comparing histogram descriptors

# Discrete Perspective

Sources



Sinks

*Matching in disguise?*

**Min-cost flow**

# Algorithm for Small-Scale Problems

- **Step 1:** Compute  $D_{ij}$
- **Step 2:** Solve linear program
  - Simplex
  - Interior point
  - Hungarian algorithm
  - ...

# Transportation Matrix Structure

	■			
		■		
■				
				■
			■	

**Matches  
bins**

**Underlying map!**

# $p$ -Wasserstein Distance

$$\mathcal{W}_p(\mu, \nu) \equiv \min_{\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)} \left( \int \int_{X \times X} d(x, y)^p d\pi(x, y) \right)^{1/p}$$

Shortest path  
distance

Expectation

General cost:  
"Monge-Kantorovich  
problem"



*Geodesic distance  $d(x, y)$*

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S152407031200029X#>

Continuous analog of EMD



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# 3D perception from a single image

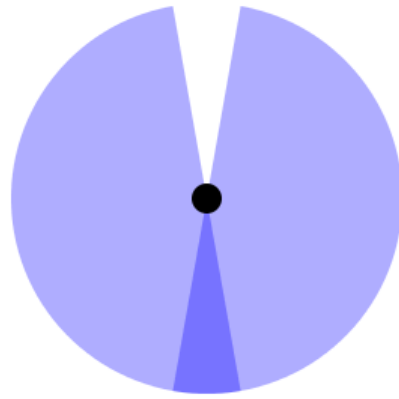


# Monocular vision

a typical prey



Pigeon

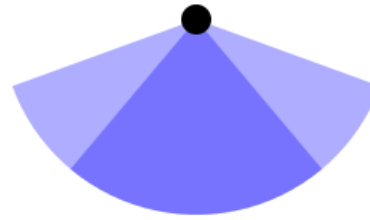


■ Binocular vision

a typical predator



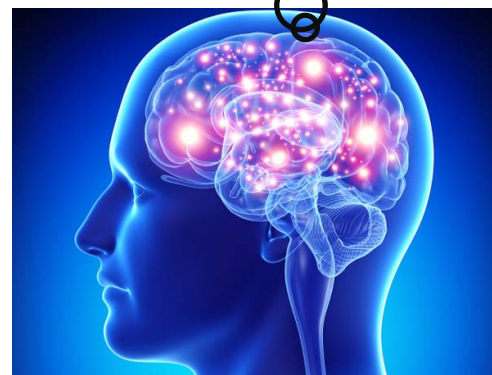
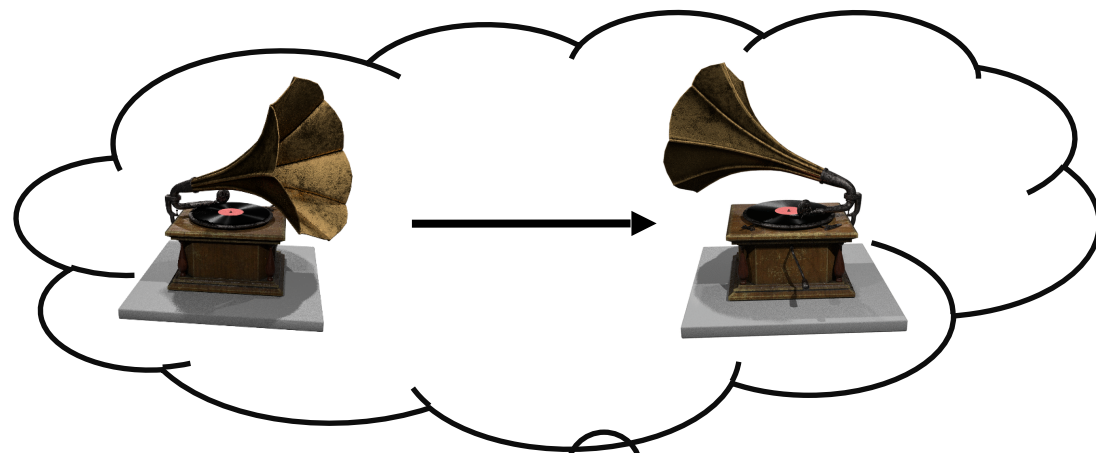
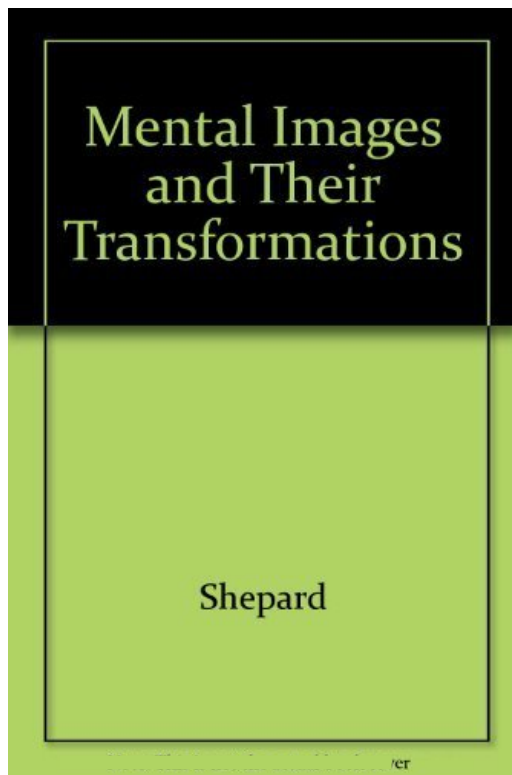
Owl



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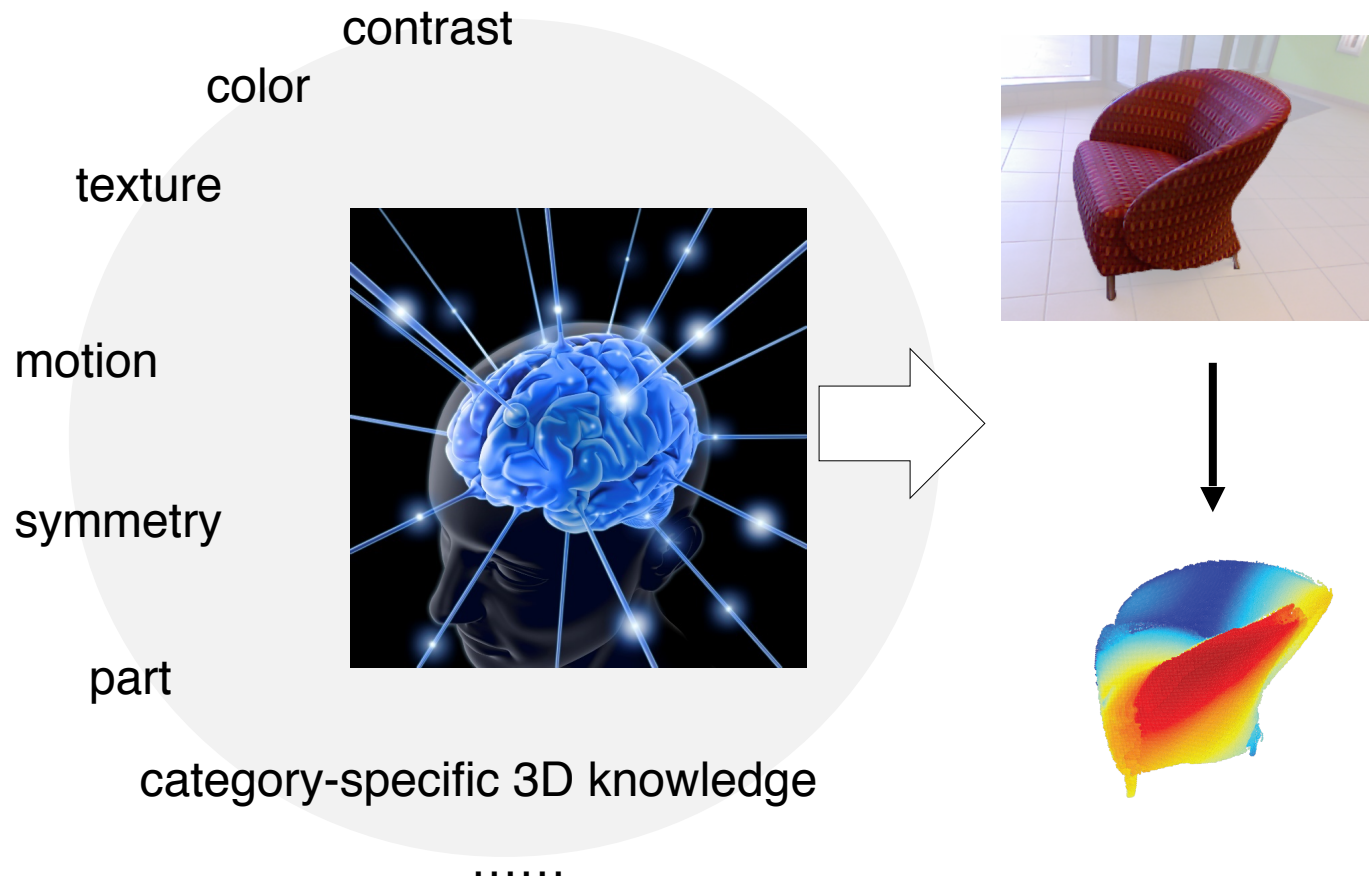
*Cited from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binocular\\_vision](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binocular_vision)*

# A psychological evidence – mental rotation



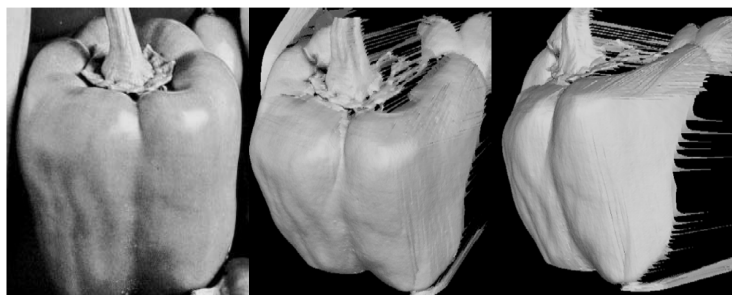
*by Roger N. Shepard, National Science Medal Laureate  
and Lynn Cooper, Professor at Columbia University*

# Visual cues are complicated

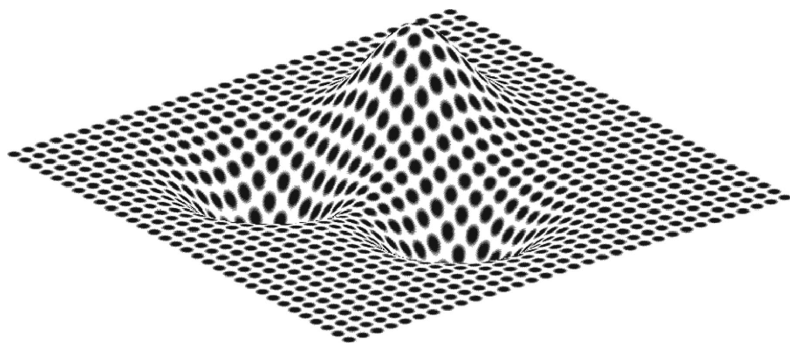


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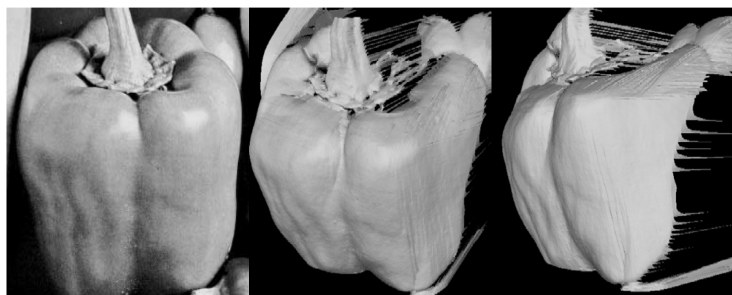


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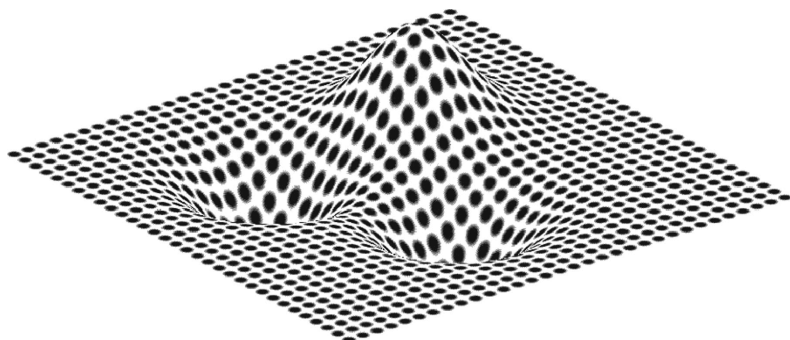


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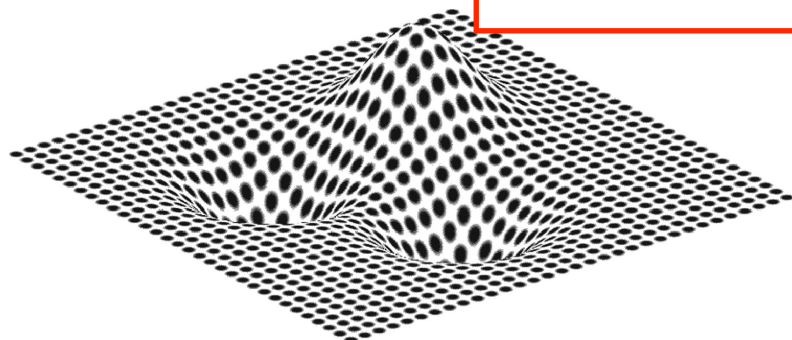


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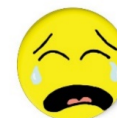


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**Strong assumption  
Not robust**



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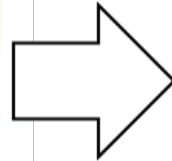


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# Data-driven 2D-3D lifting



*Many 3D objects*

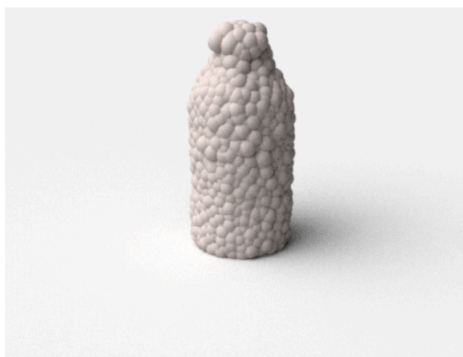
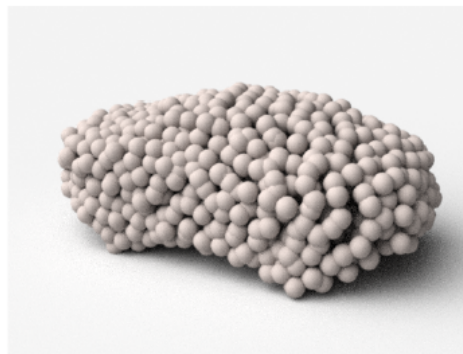
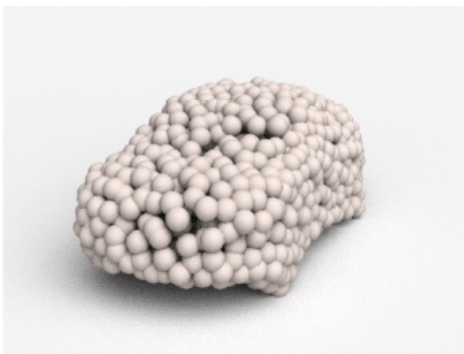


A priori knowledge of  
the 3D world



# Our result: 3D reconstruction from real Images

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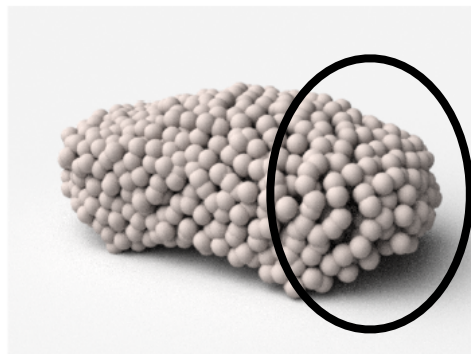
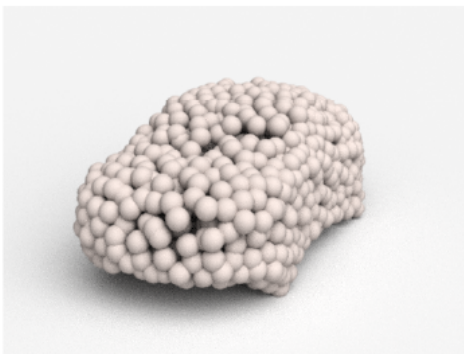
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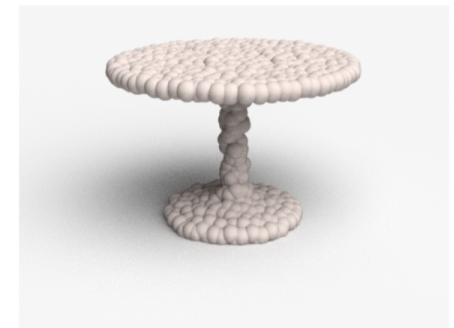
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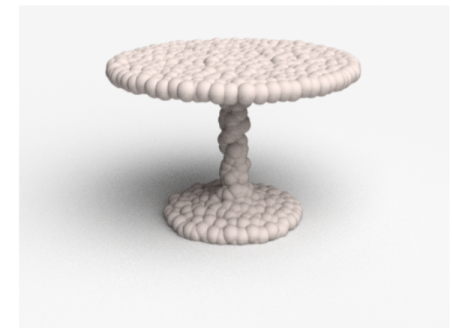
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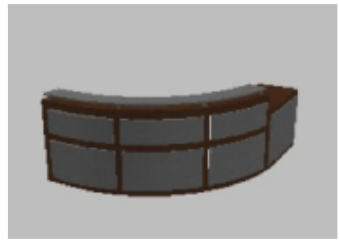
## Geometrically manipulable

- deformable
- interpolable, extrapolable
- convenient to impose structural constraints

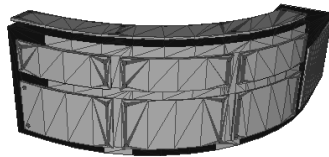


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# Pipeline



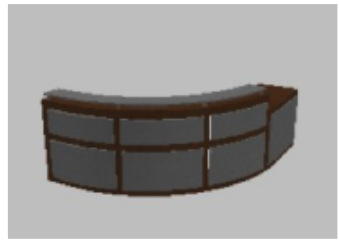
render



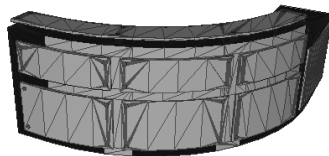
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# Pipeline

**2K object categories**  
**200K shapes**  
**~10M image/point set pairs**



render



sample

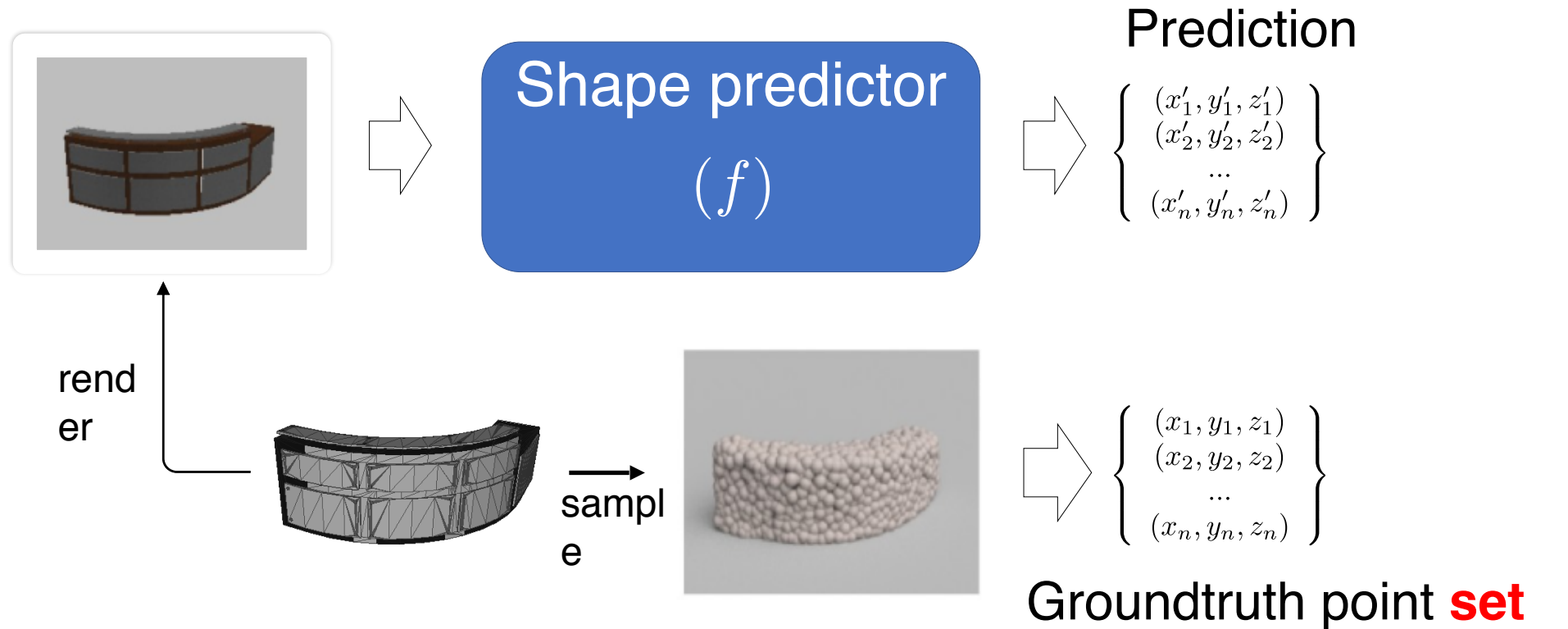


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_1, y_1, z_1) \\ (x_2, y_2, z_2) \\ \dots \\ (x_n, y_n, z_n) \end{array} \right\}$$

Groundtruth point **set**

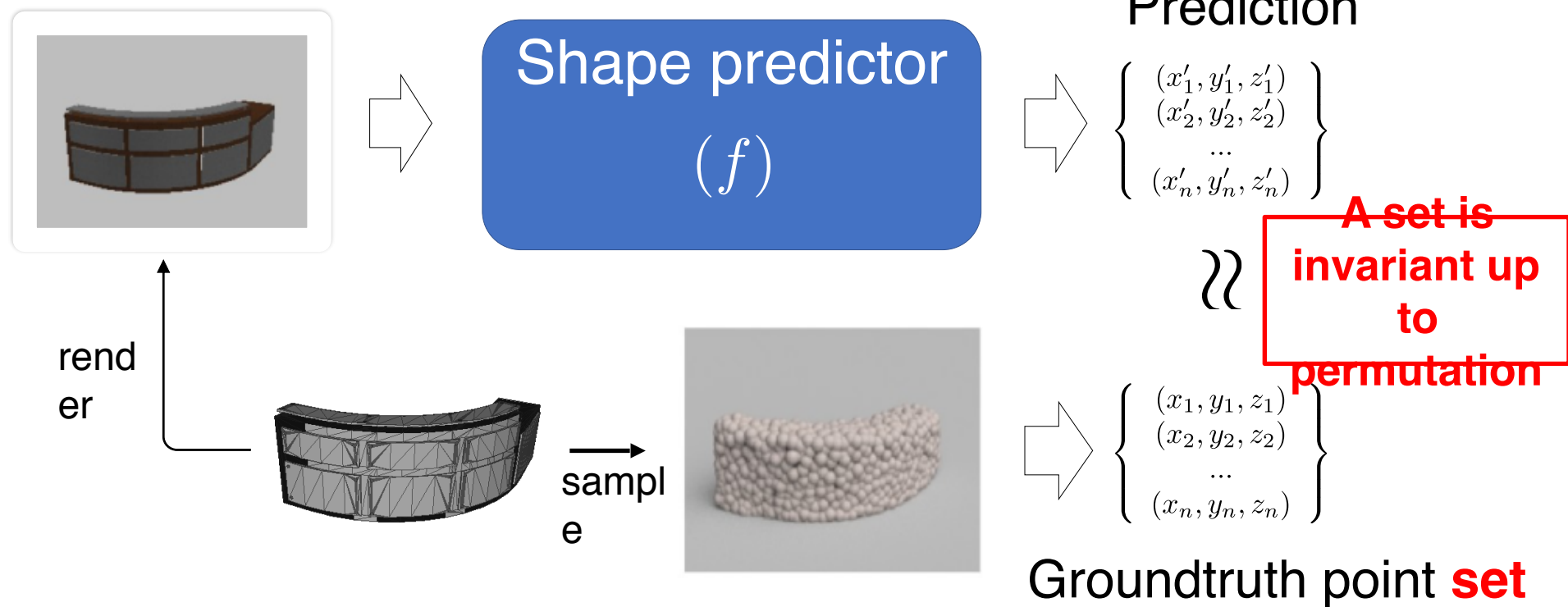
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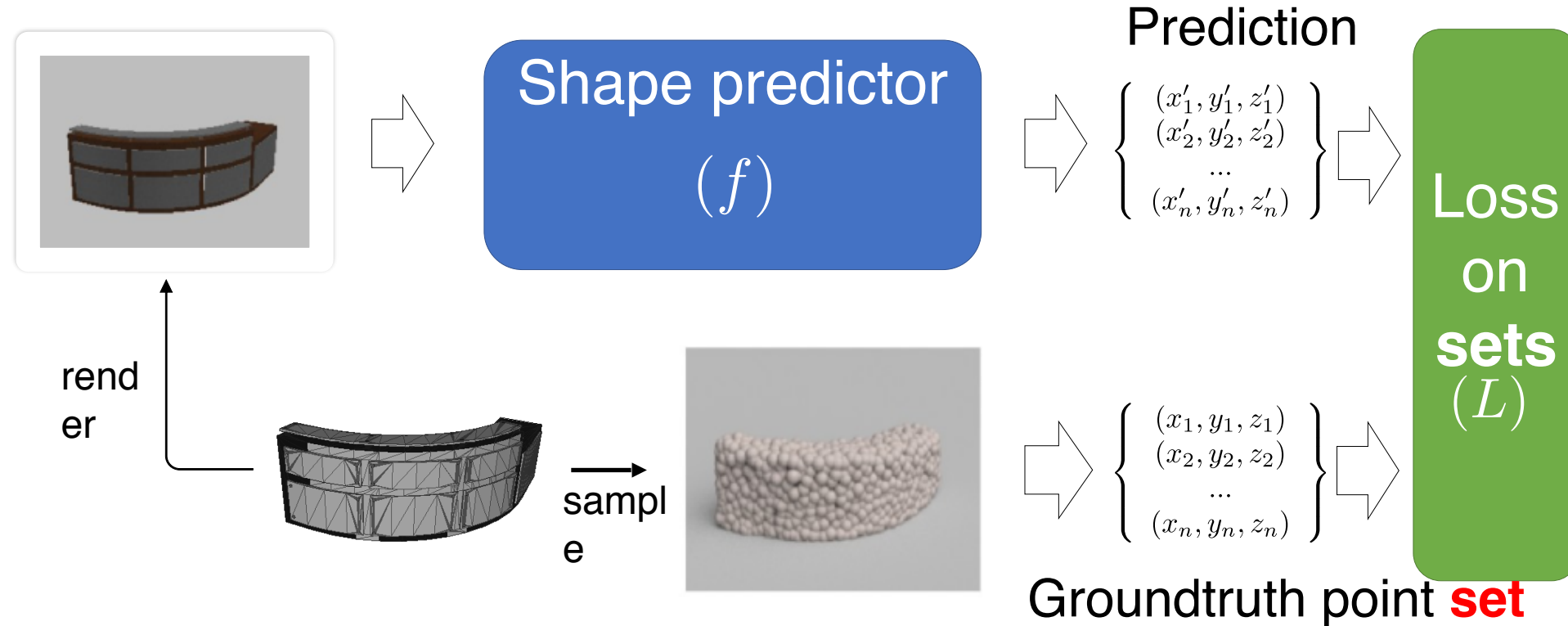
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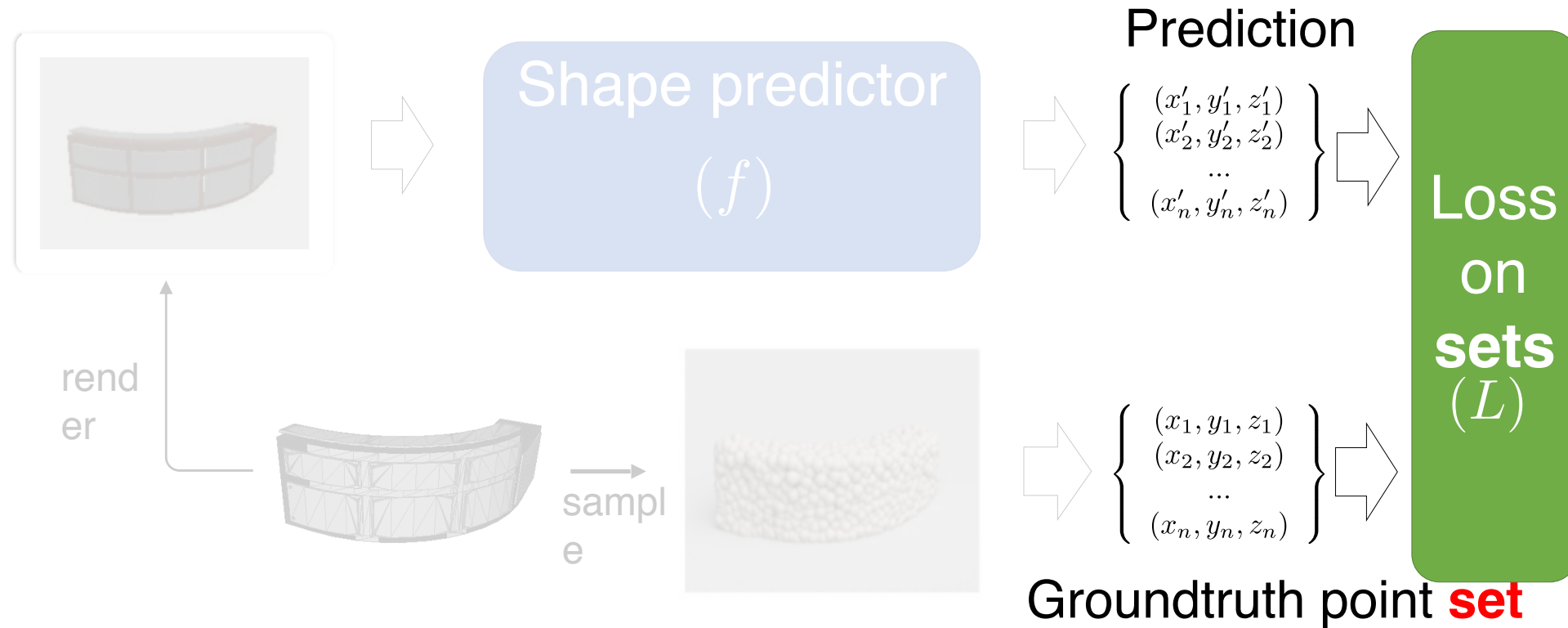


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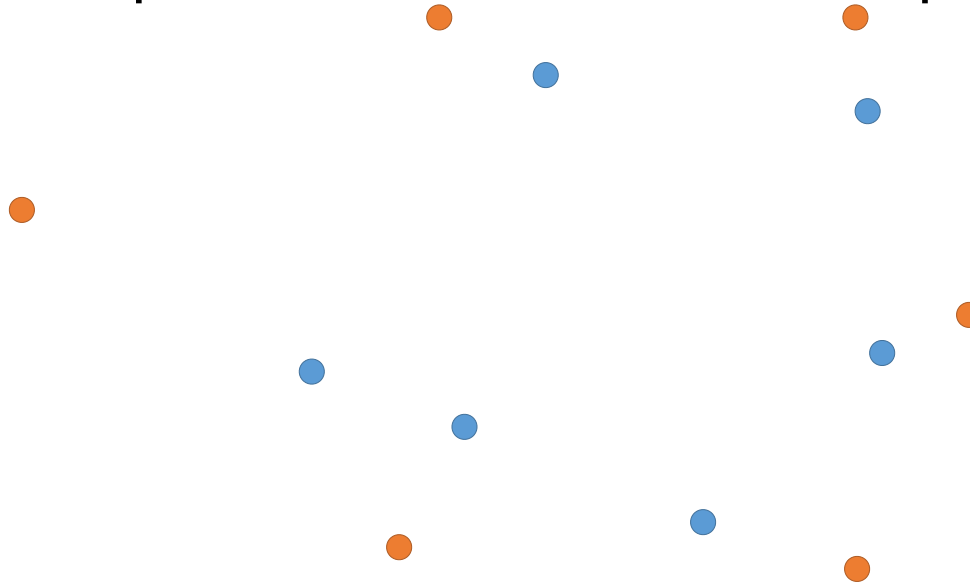
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# Set comparison

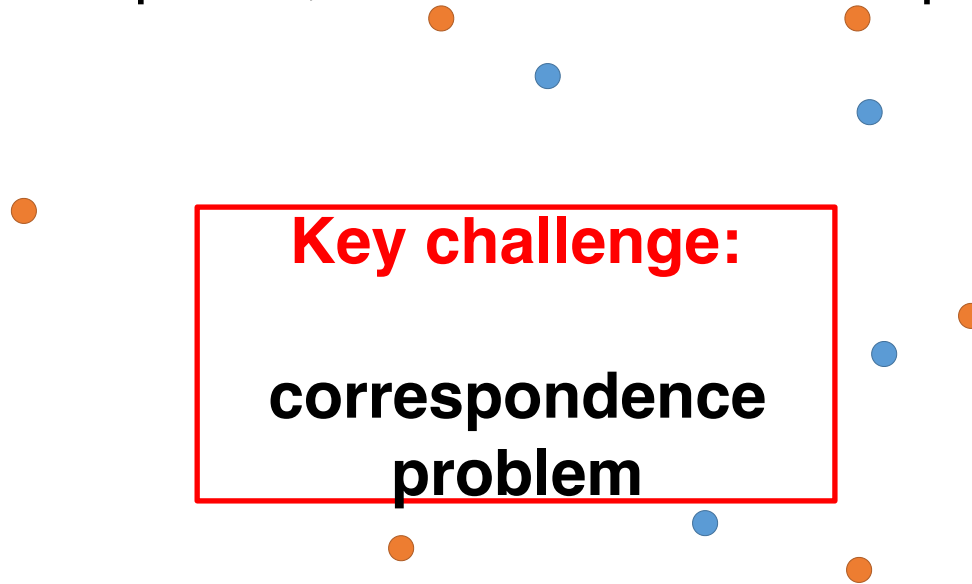
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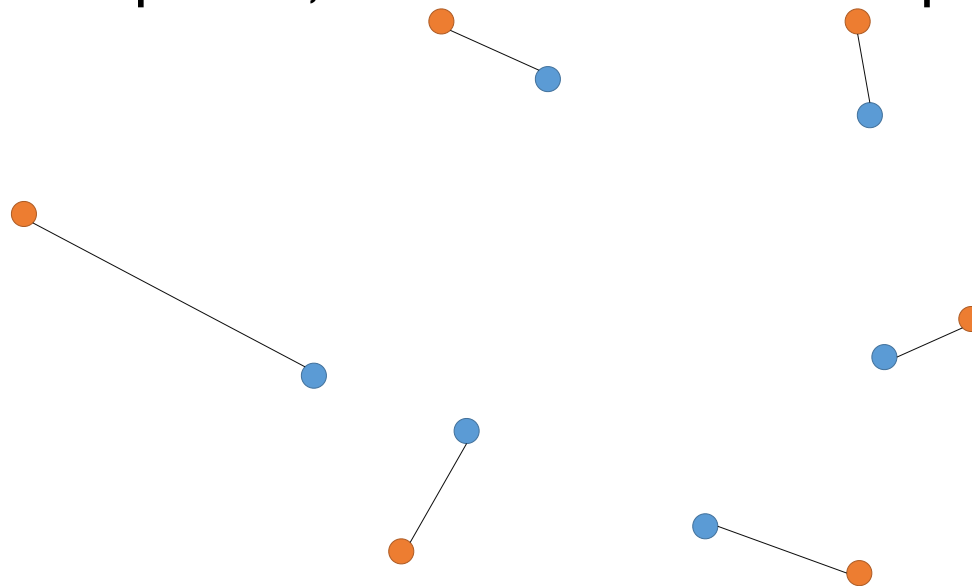
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# Correspondence (I): optimal assignment

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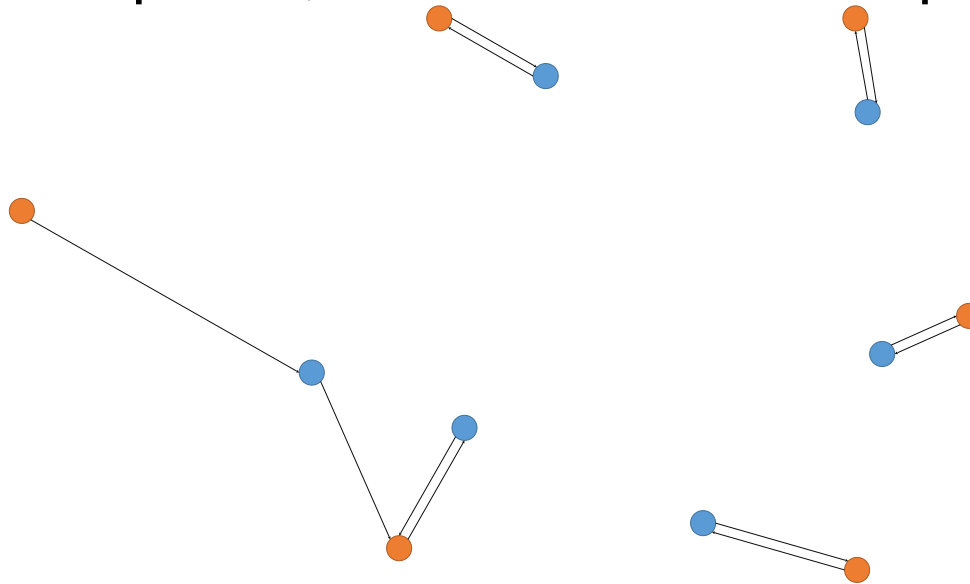
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# Correspondence (II): closest point

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Geometric requirement

Computational requirement

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## Computational requirement



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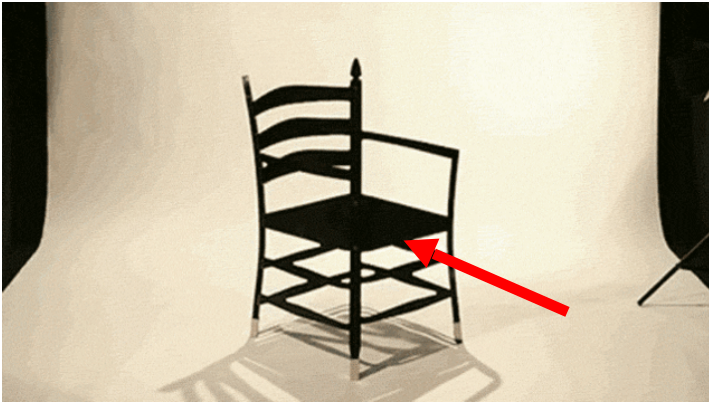
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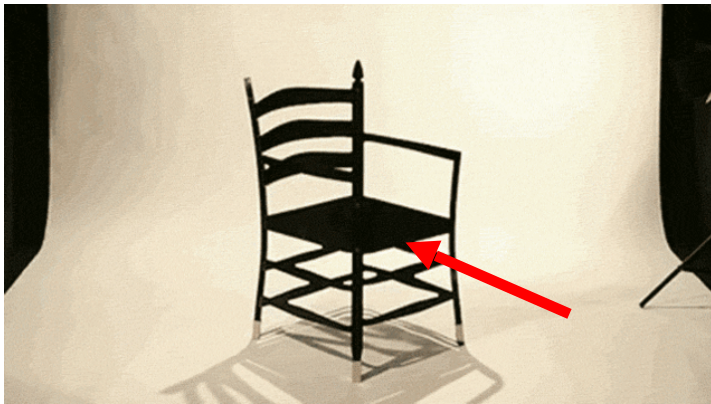
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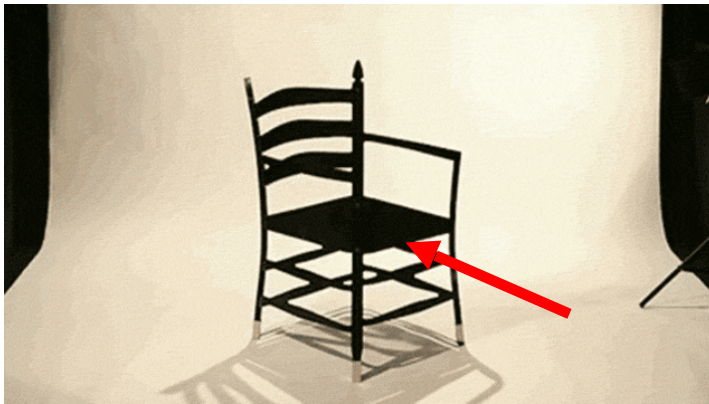
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- By loss minimization, the network tends to predict a “**mean shape**” that **averages out** uncertainty

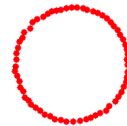
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# Distance metrics affect mean shapes

The mean shape carries characteristics of the distance metric

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continuous  
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Input

EMD mean

Chamfer mean

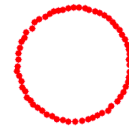
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# Mean shapes from distance metrics

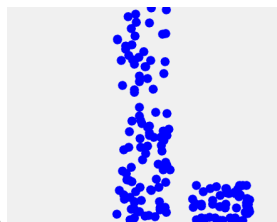
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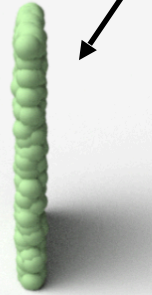
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# Comparison of predictions by EMD versus CD

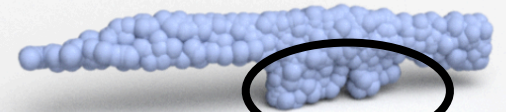
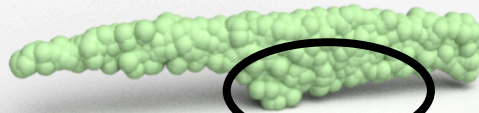
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# Required properties of distance metrics

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## Computational requirement

- Defines a loss function that is numerically easy to optimize

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# Computational requirement of metrics

To be used as a loss function, the metric has to be

- **Differentiable** with respect to point locations
- **Efficient** to compute

# Computational requirement of metrics

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Chamfer distance

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- Simple function of coordinates
- In general positions, the correspondence is unique
- **With infinitesimal movement, the correspondence does not change**

**Conclusion: differentiable almost everywhere**

# Computational requirement of metrics

- **Differentiable** with respect to point location

- For many **algorithms** (sorting, shortest path, network flow, ...),
- an infinitesimal change to model parameters

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# Computational requirement of metrics

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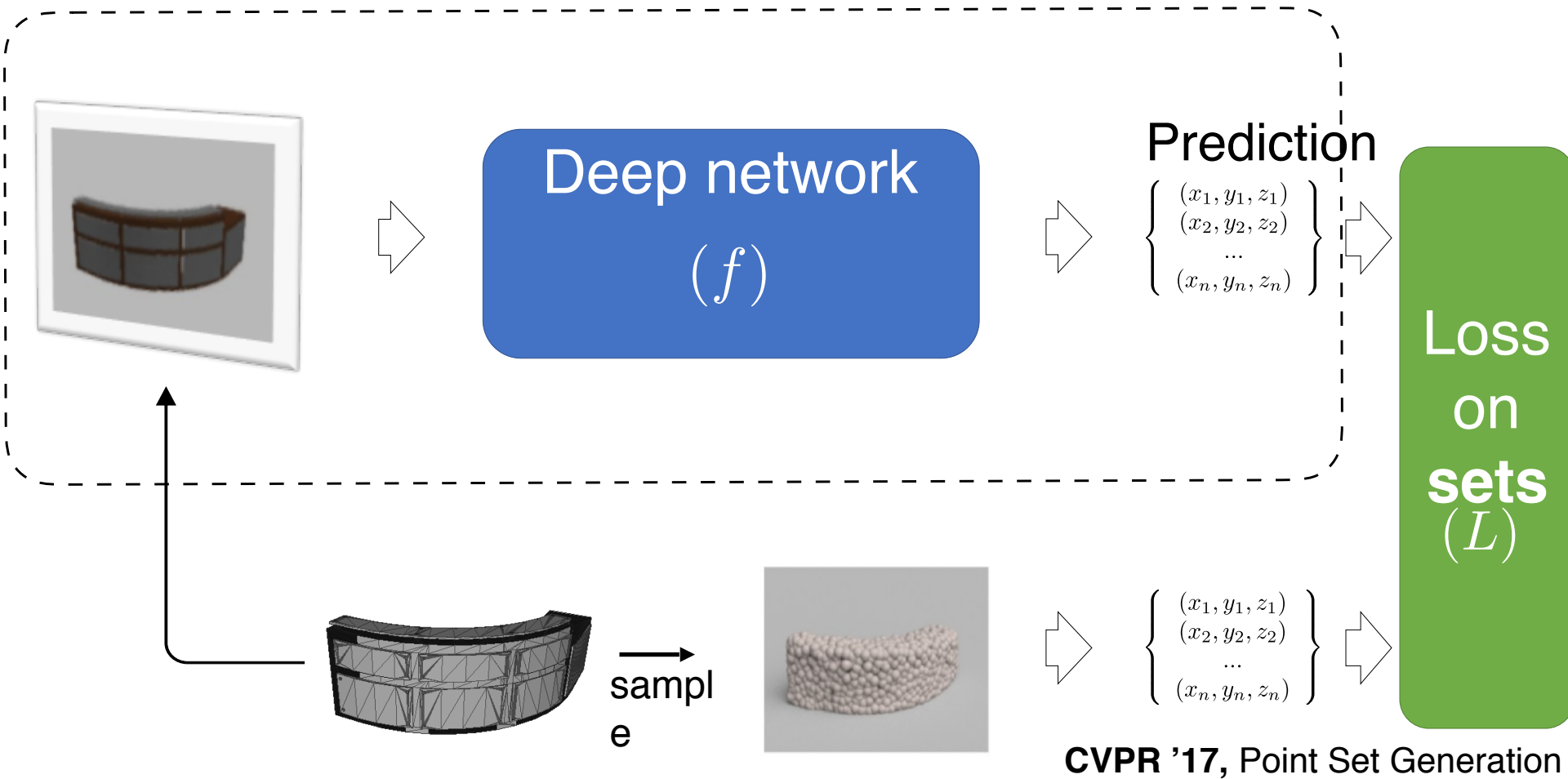
Chamfer distance: trivially parallelizable on CUDA

Earth Mover's distance (optimal assignment):

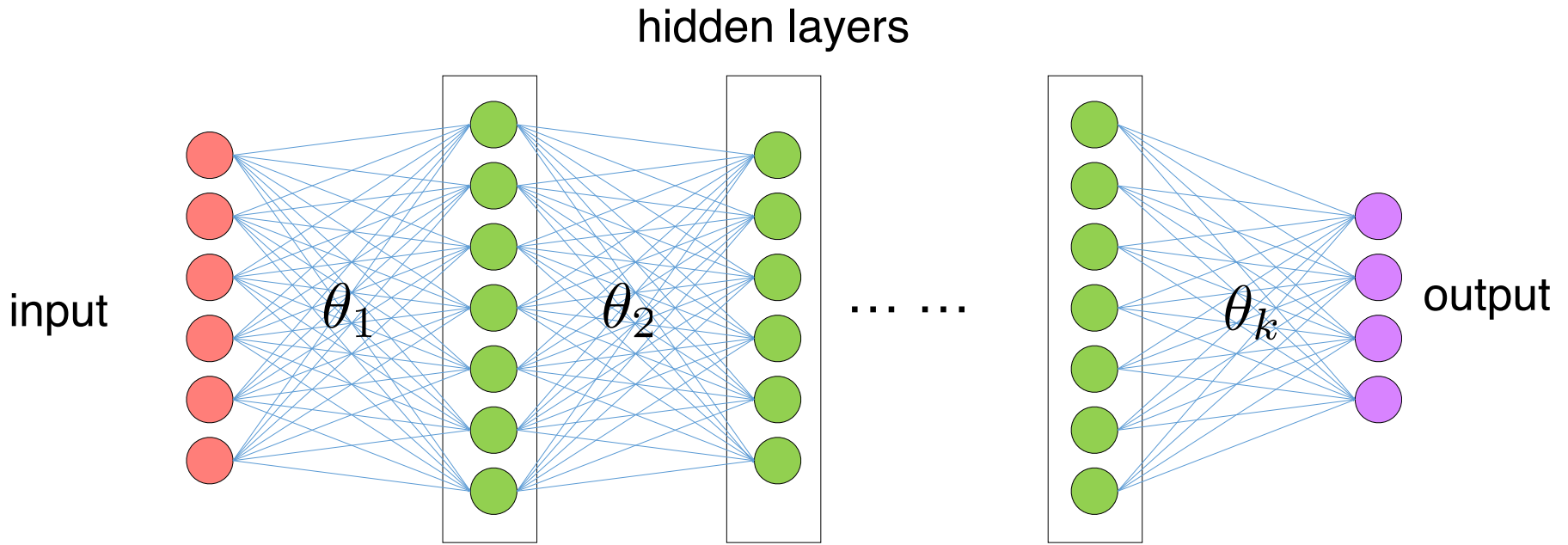
- We implement a **distributed** approximation algorithm on CUDA
- Based upon [Bertsekas, 1985],  $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximation

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# Pipeline



# Deep neural network

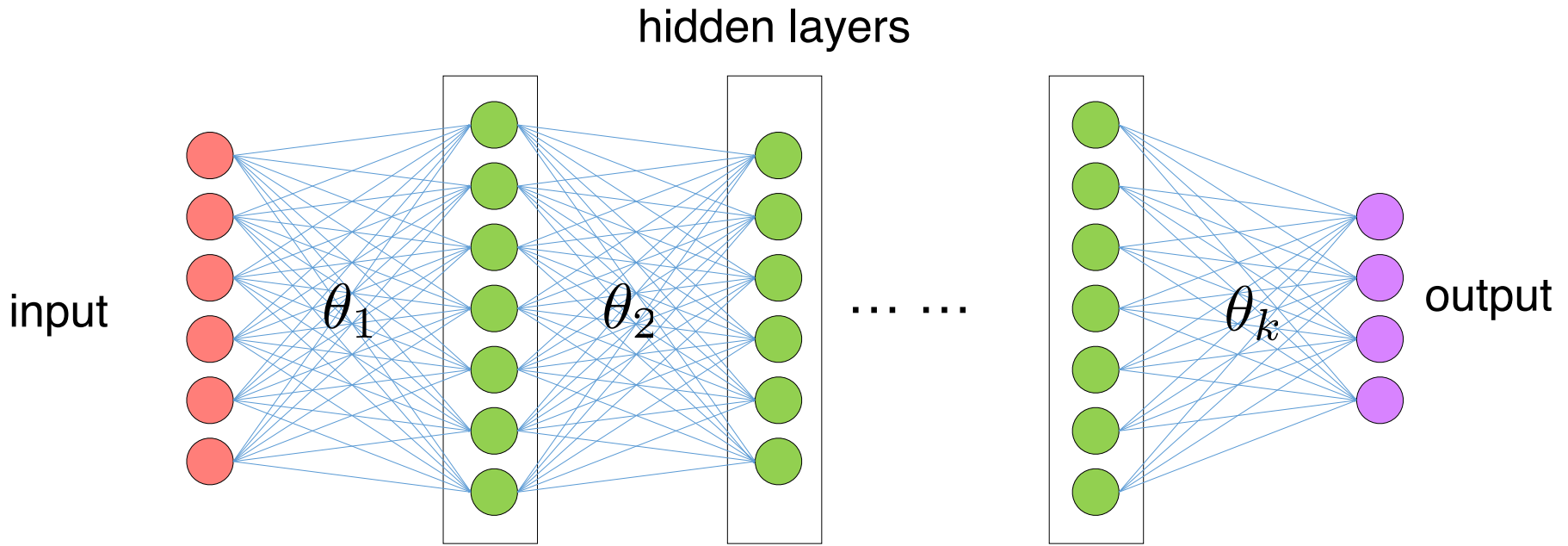


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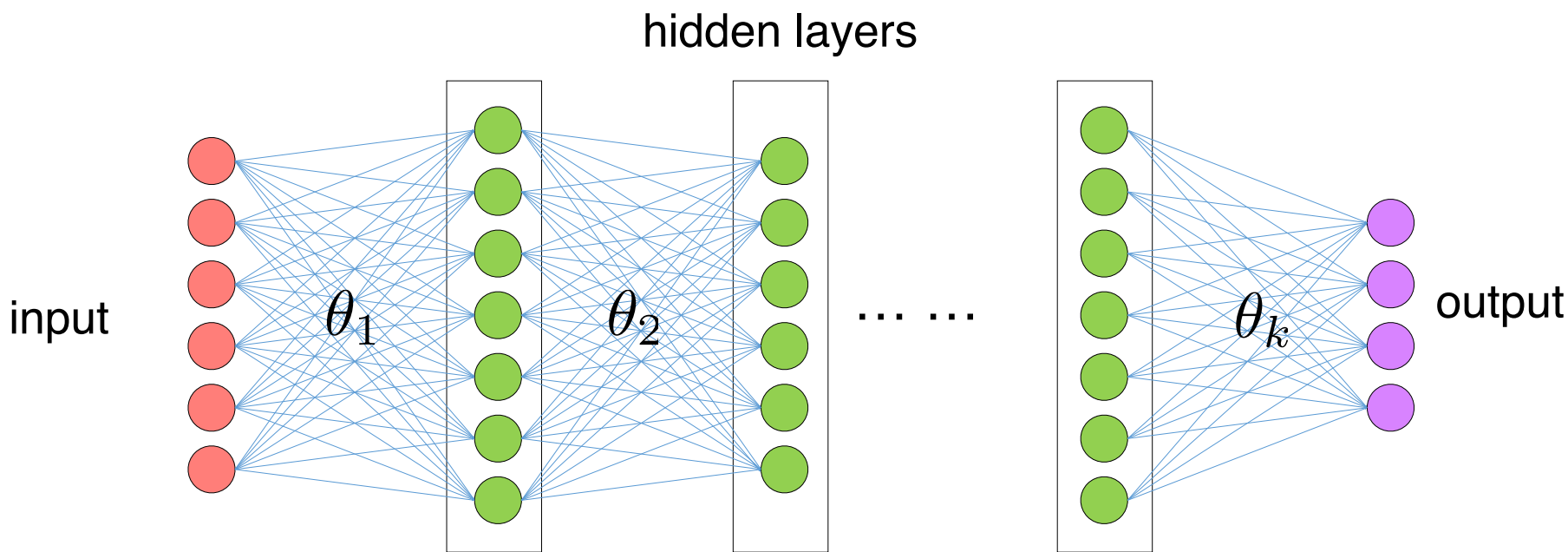


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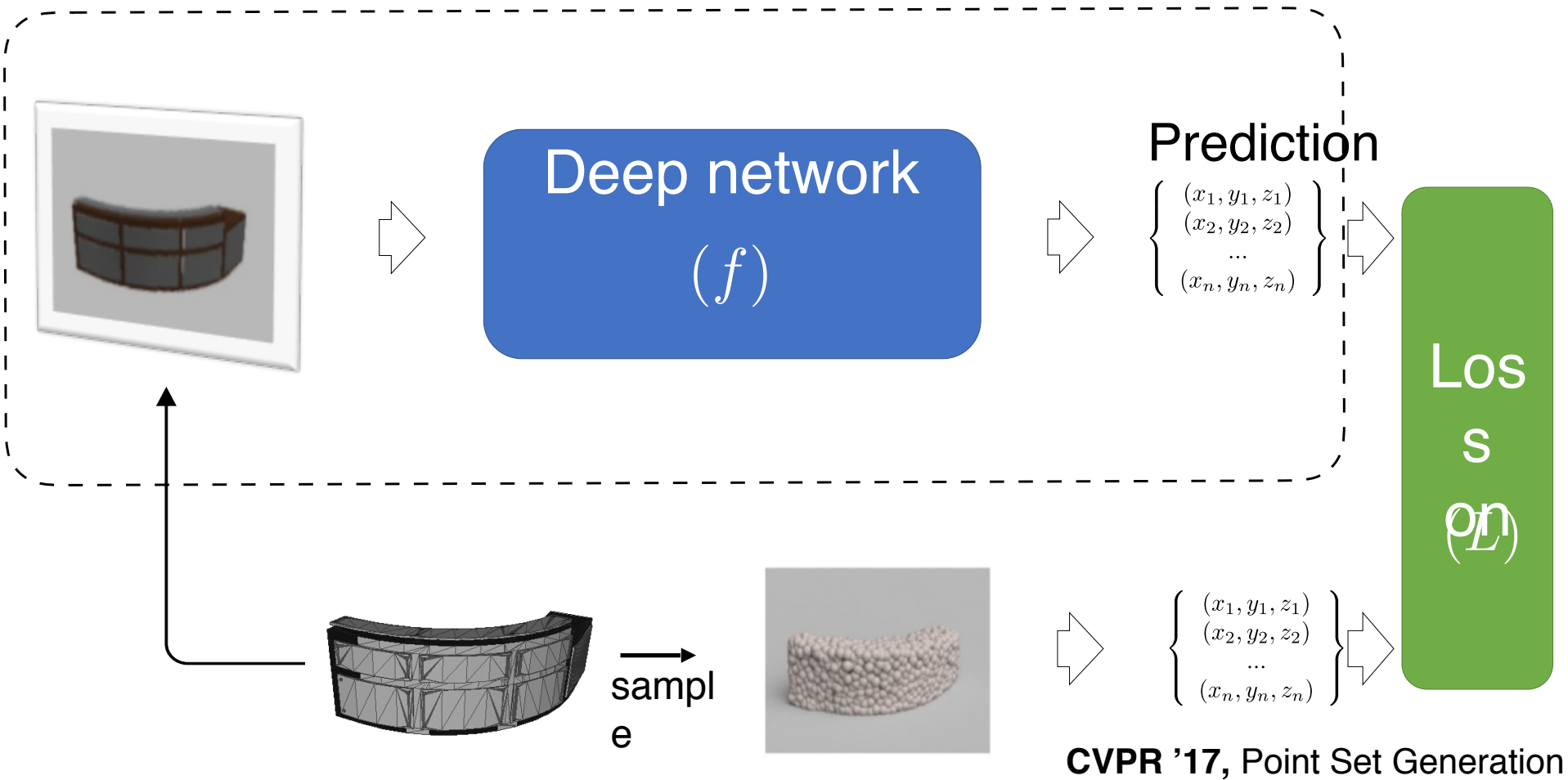
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- Millions of parameters, has to be fitted by many data

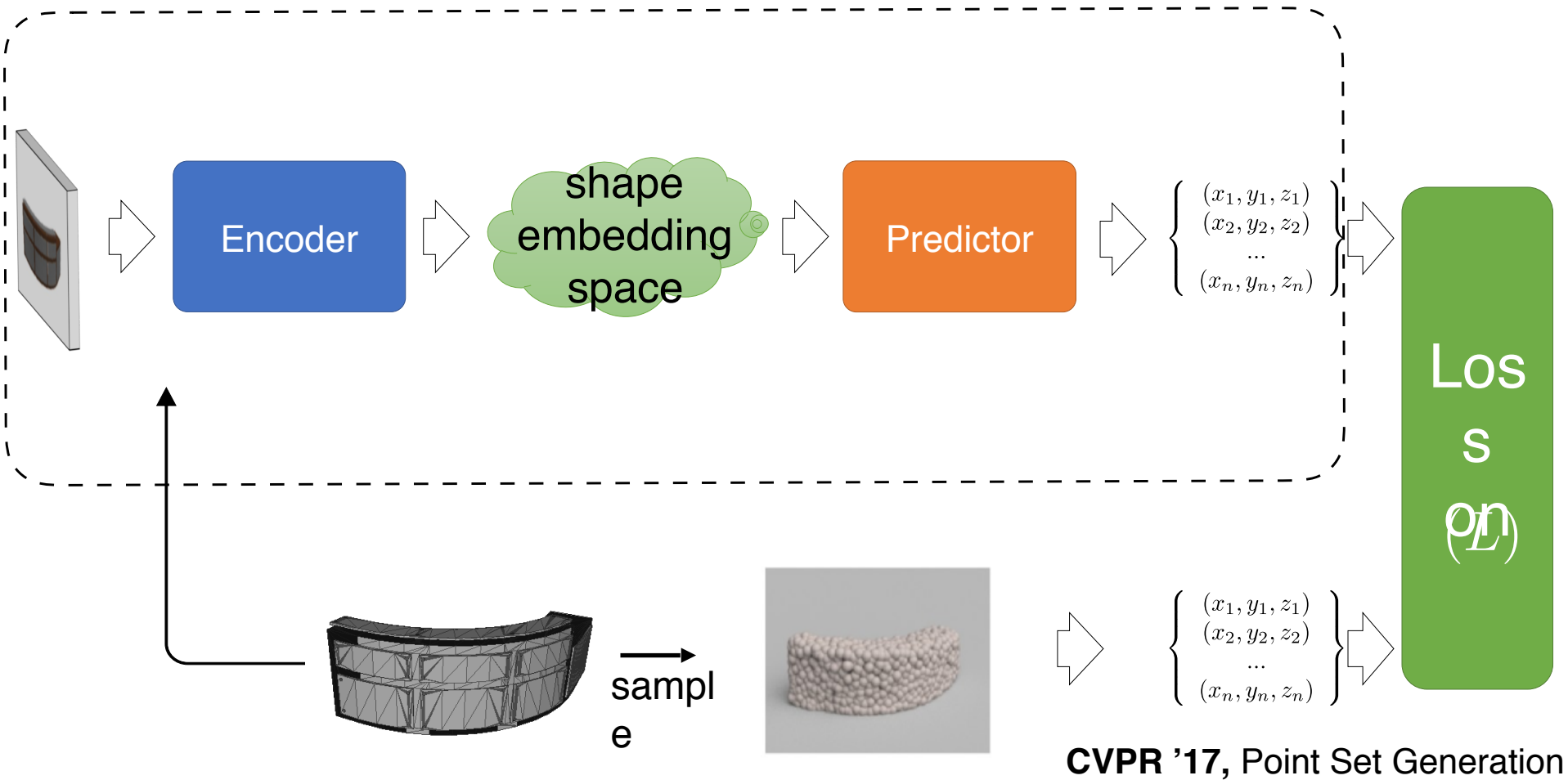
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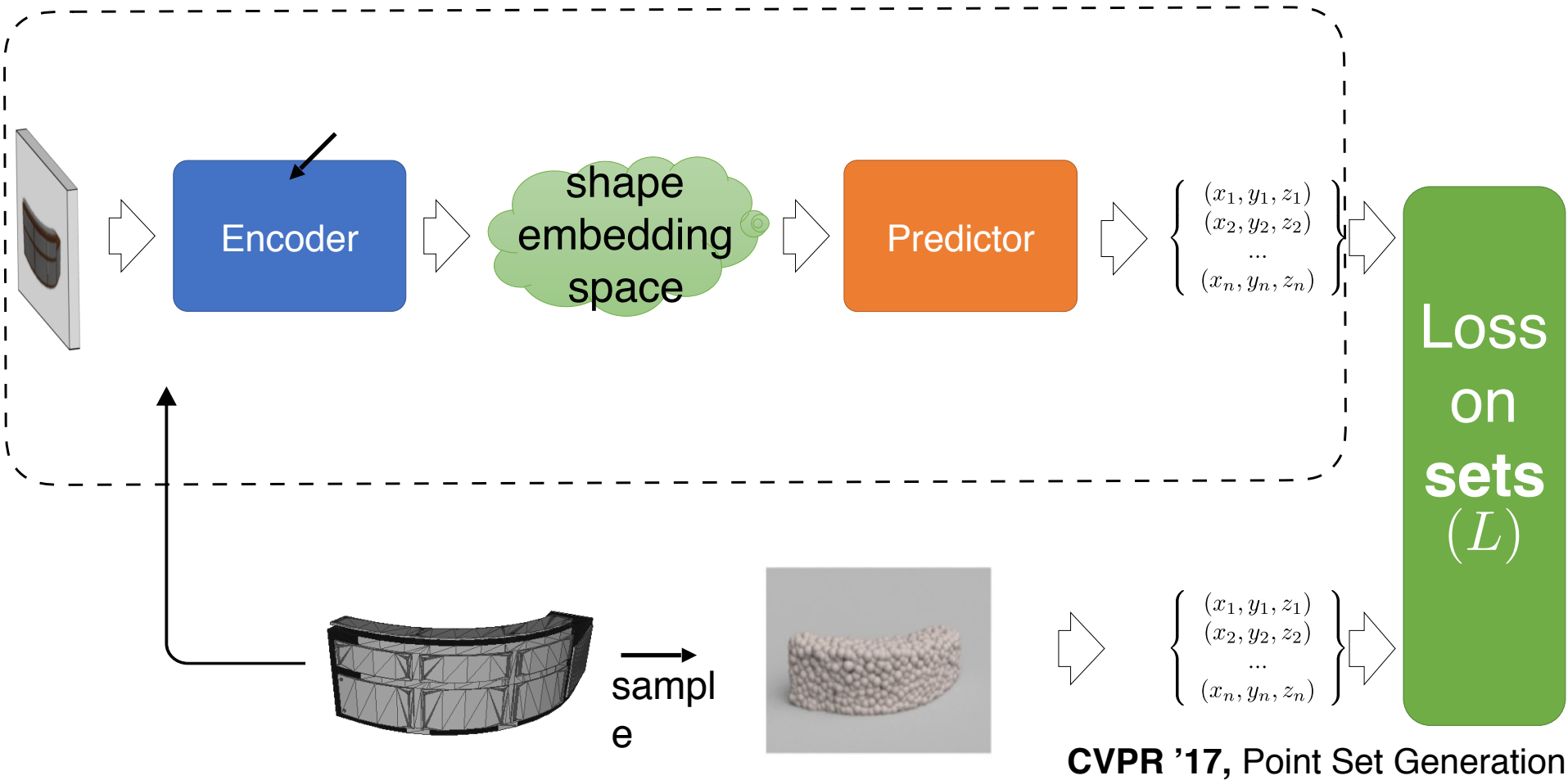
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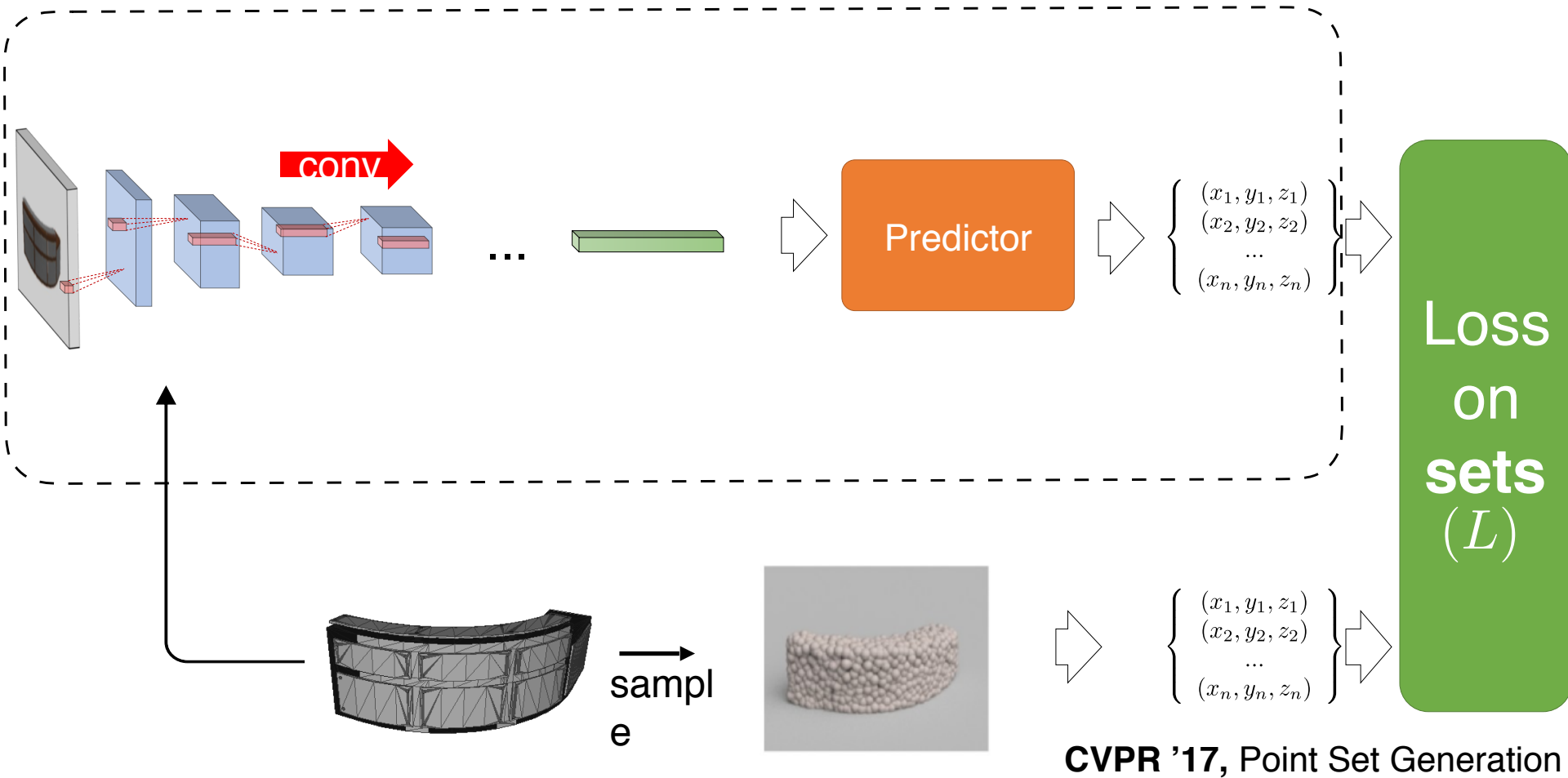
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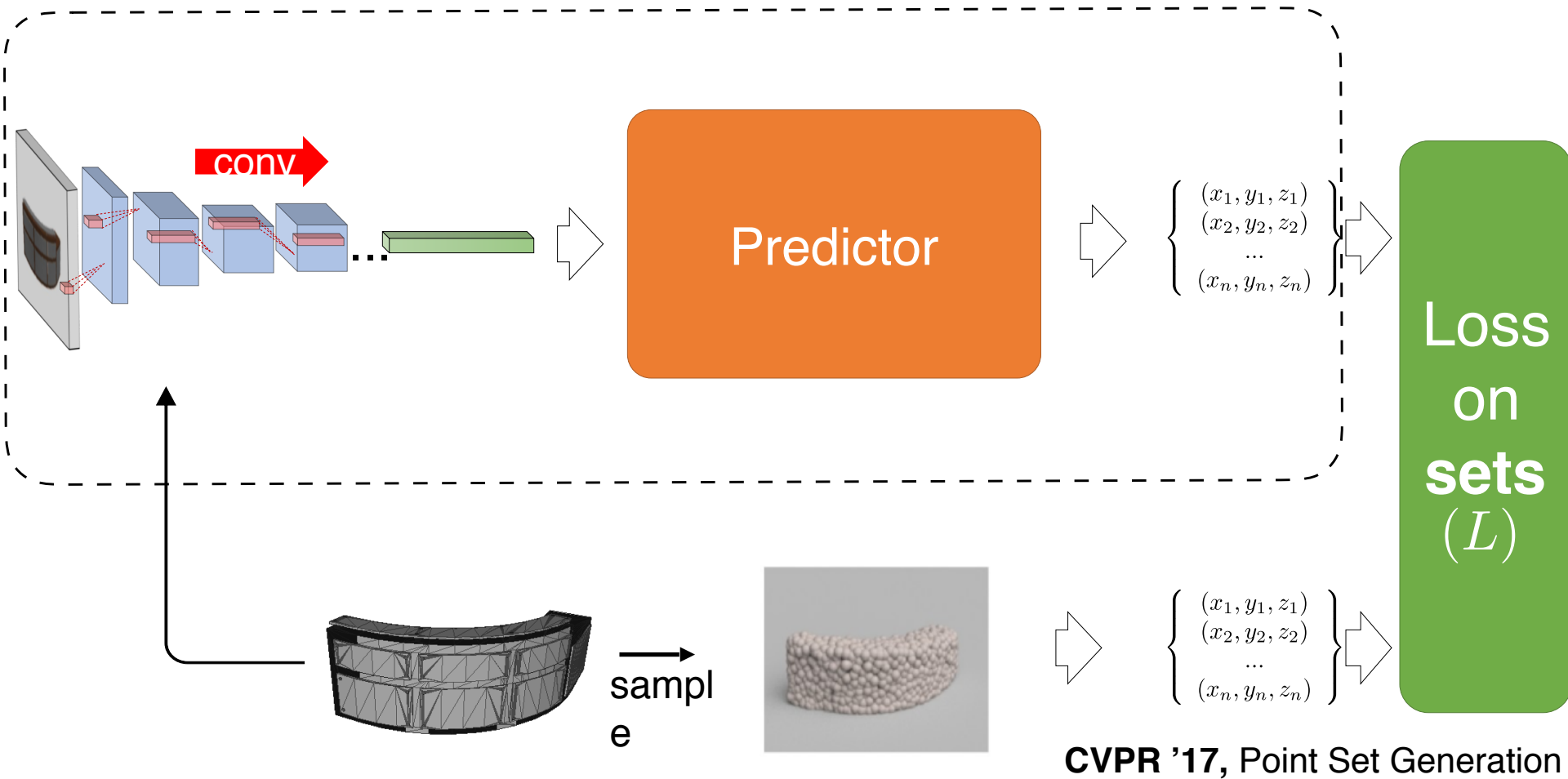
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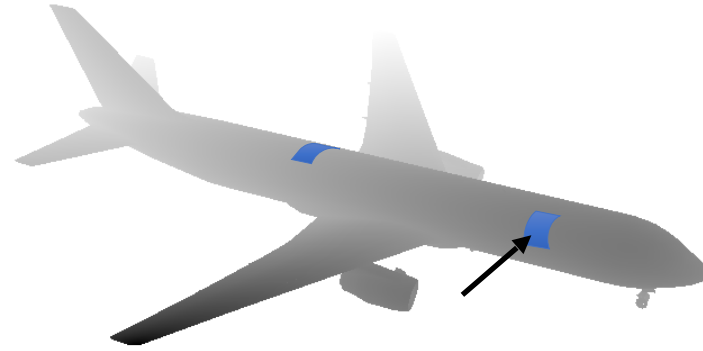
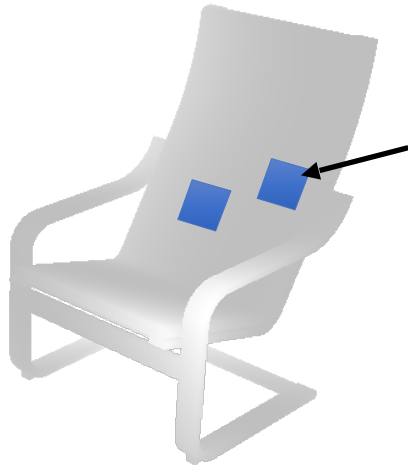
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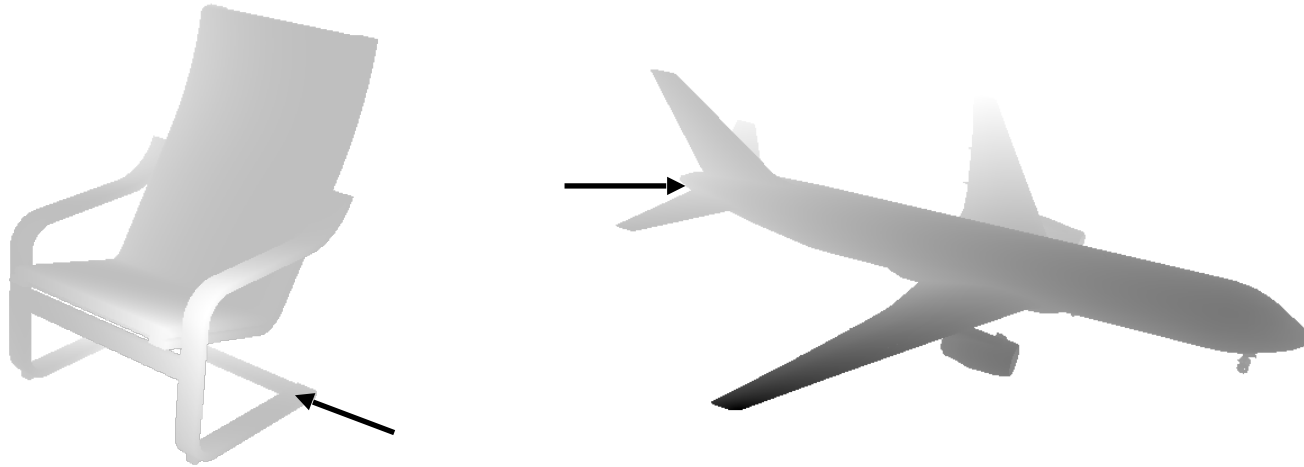
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