

# **Deep Learning in 3D Point Cloud Processing**

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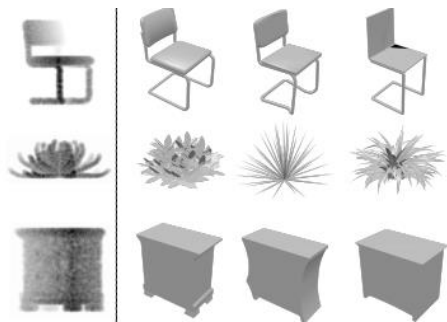
# Introduction

# Introduction tasks

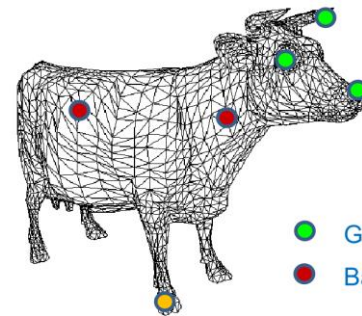


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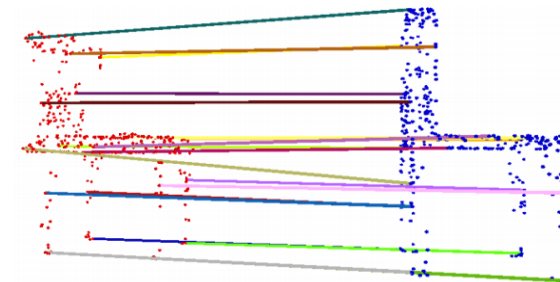
shape classification



shape retrieval



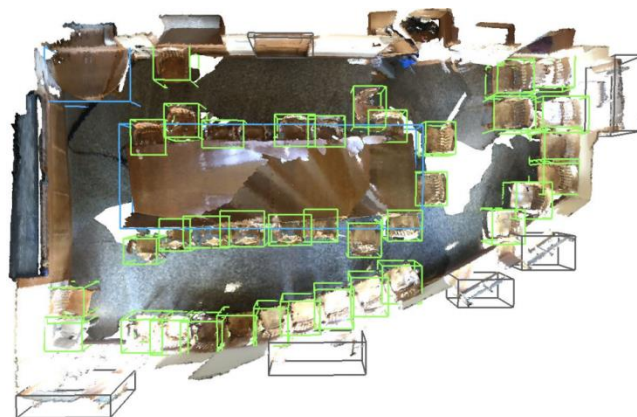
keypoint detection



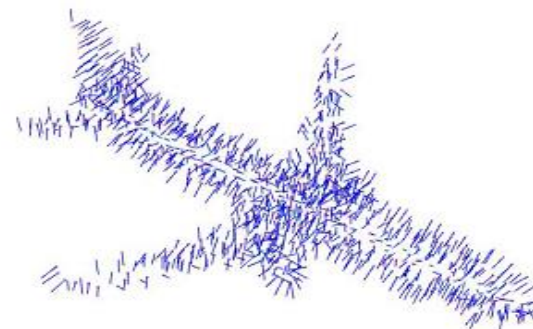
shape correspondence



semantic segmentation



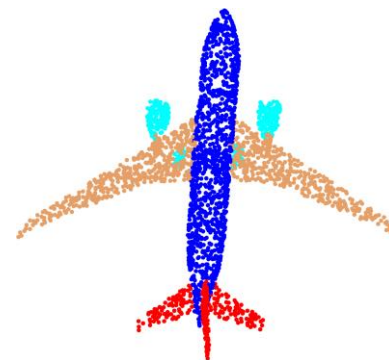
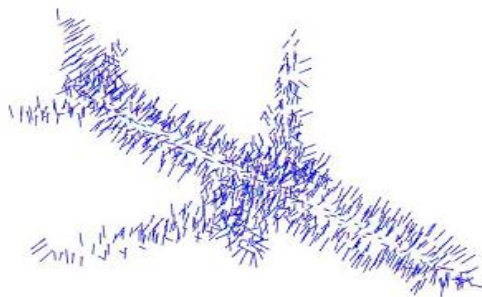
object detection



normal estimation

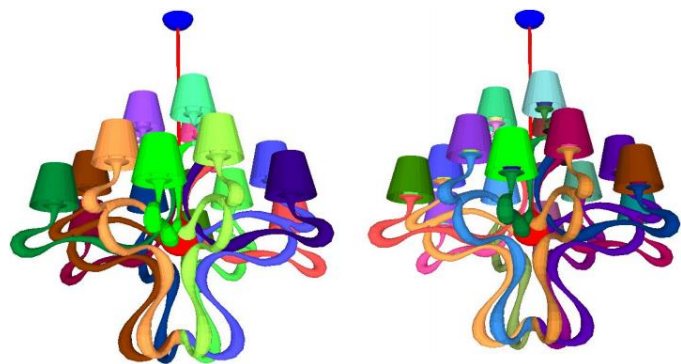
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# Introduction datasets



Princeton ModelNet: 1k

ShapeNet Part: 2k



PartNet models

Coarse



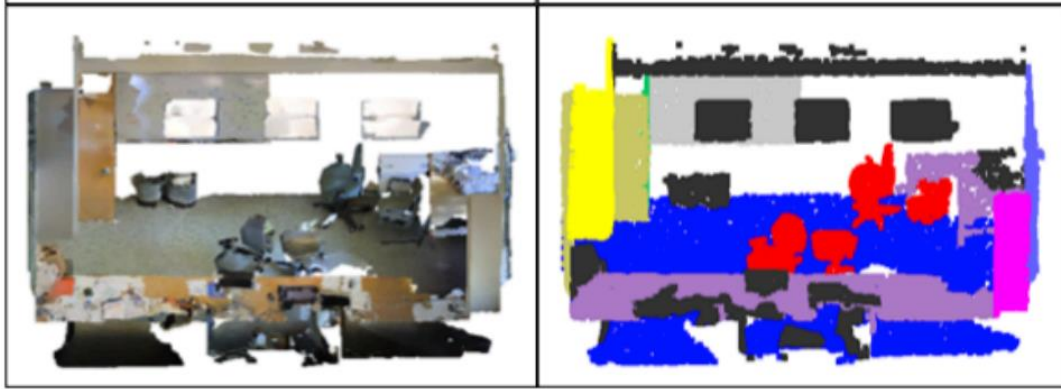
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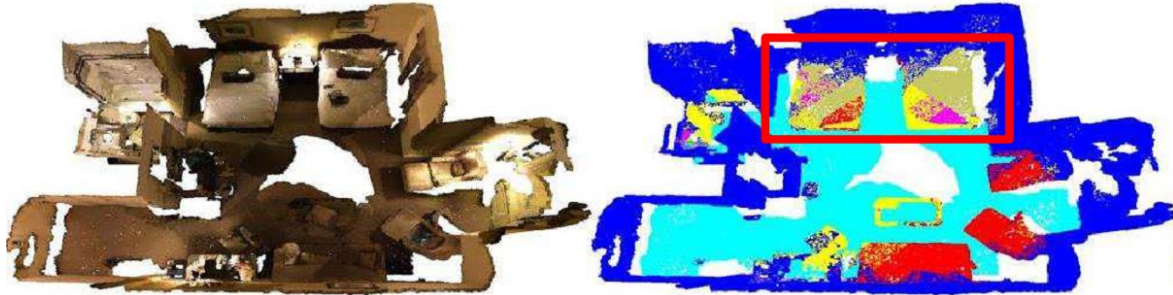
Hierarchical Semantic  
Segmentation



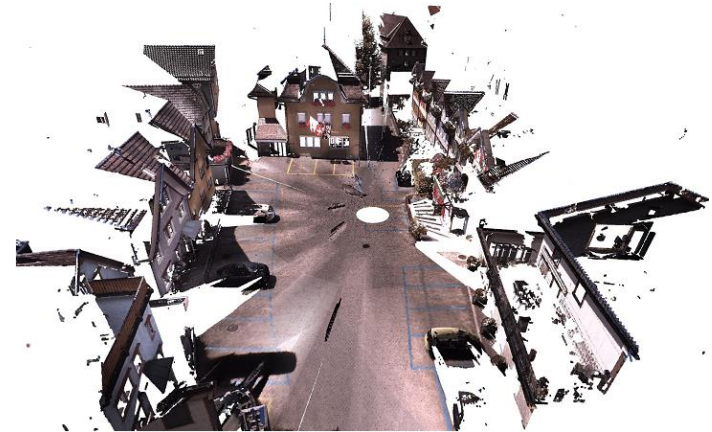
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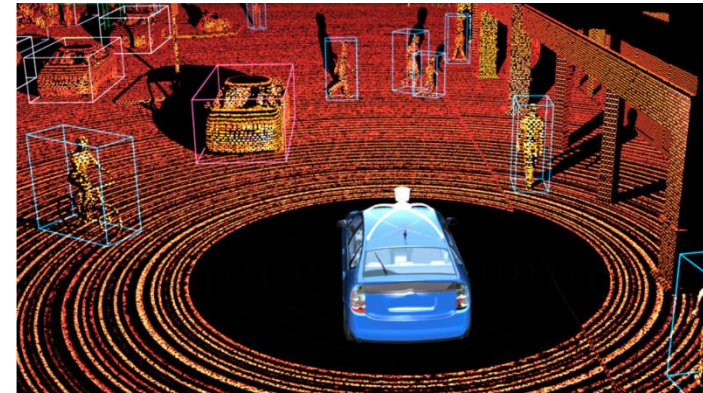
Stanford 3D indoor scene: 8k



ScanNet: seg + det



Semantic 3D: 4 billion in total

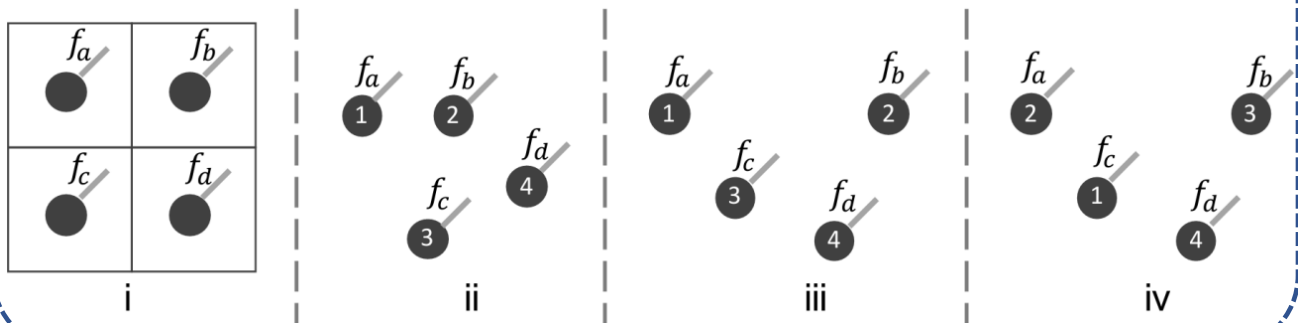


KITTI: det

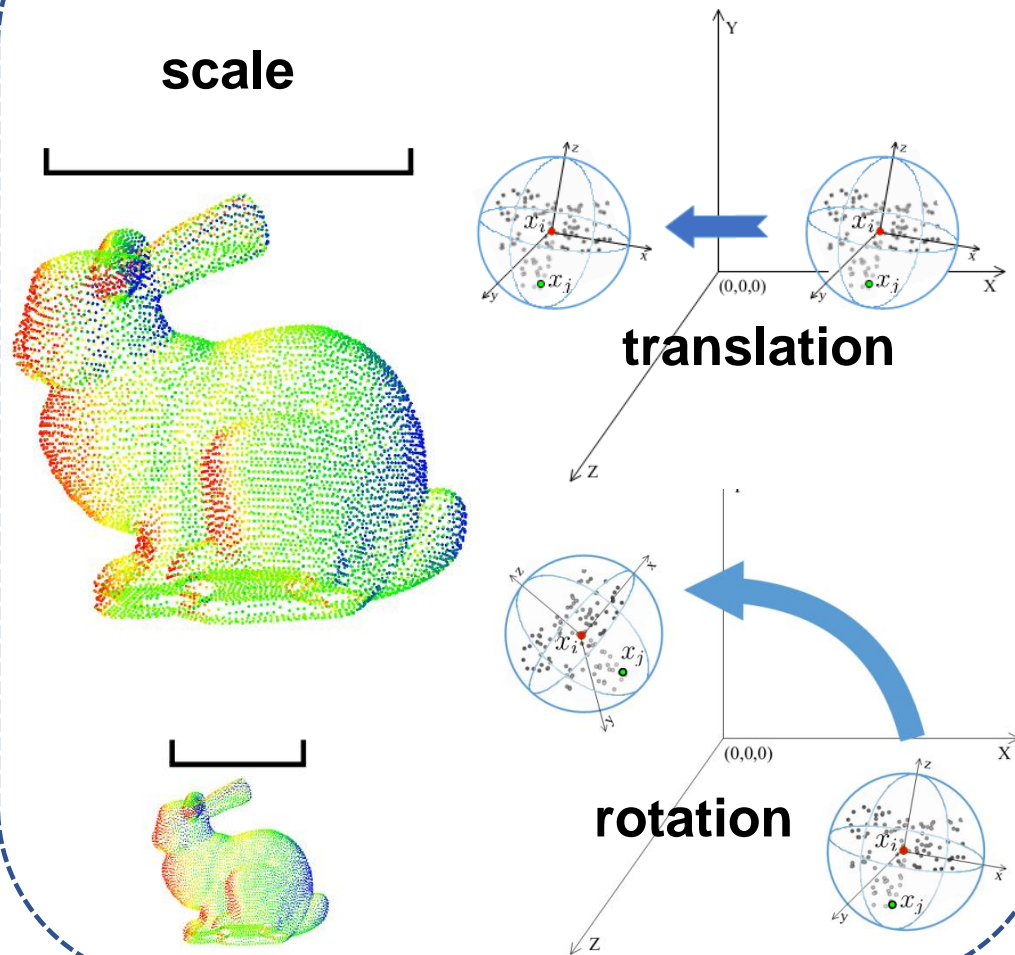
Dai et al. ScanNet: Richly-annotated 3D Reconstructions of Indoor Scenes. CVPR 2017.  
Armeni et al. 3d semantic parsing of large-scale indoor spaces. CVPR 2016.  
Hackel et al. Semantic3d. net: A new large-scale point cloud classification benchmark. ISPRS 2017.

# Introduction some challenges

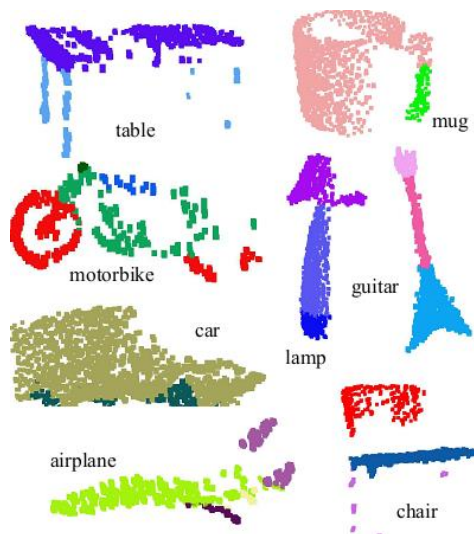
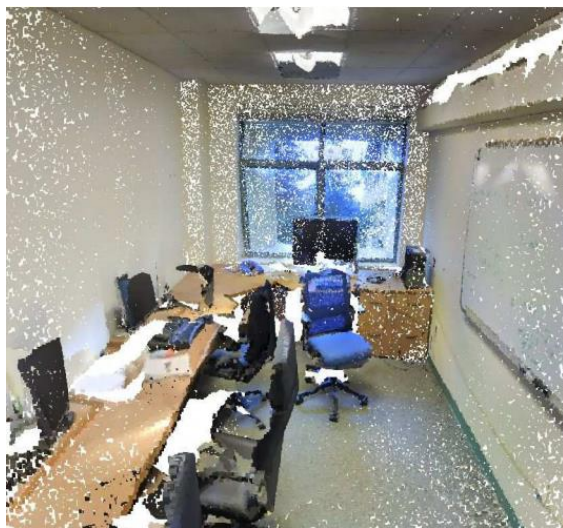
Irregular (unordered): permutation invariance



Robustness to rigid transformations

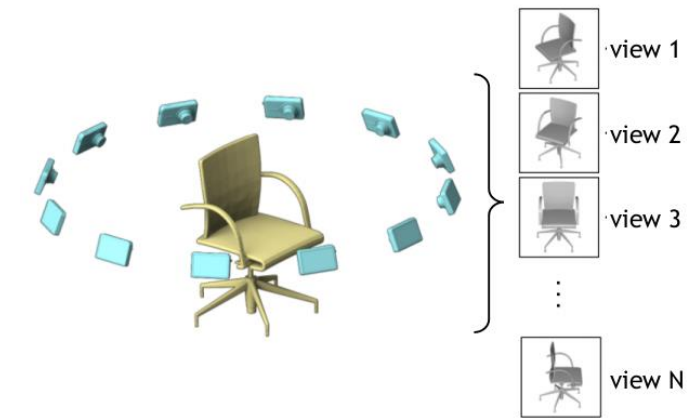


Robustness to corruption, outlier, noise; partial data

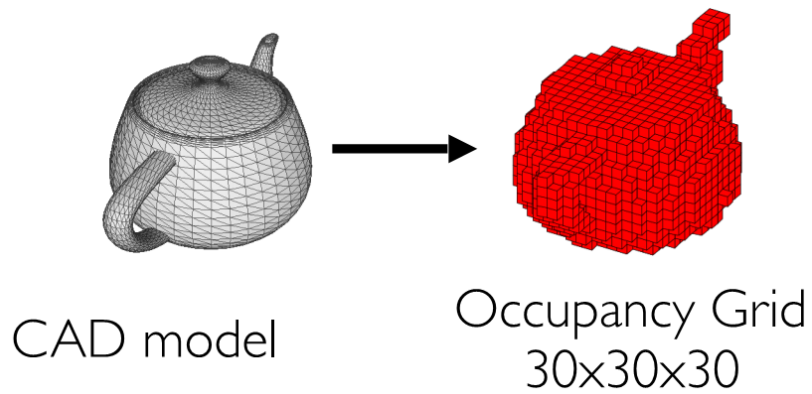




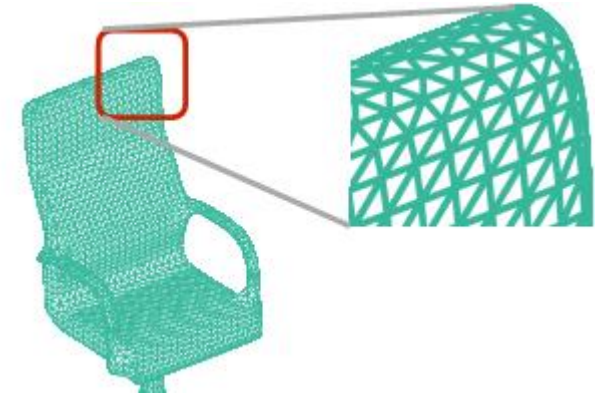
# Introduction 3D representations



multi-view images + 2D CNN



volumetric data + 3D CNN



mesh data + DL (GNN) ?



image depth + CNN

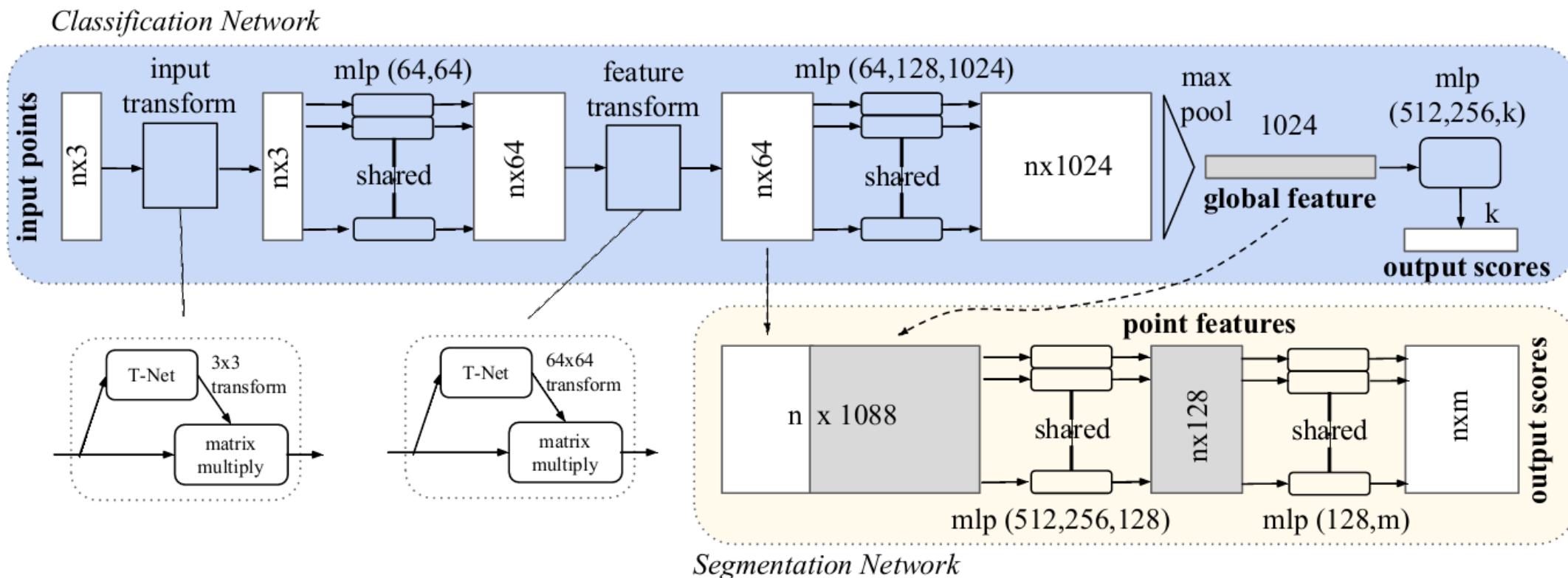


point cloud + DL (CNN) ?

## **Related work – PointNet family**



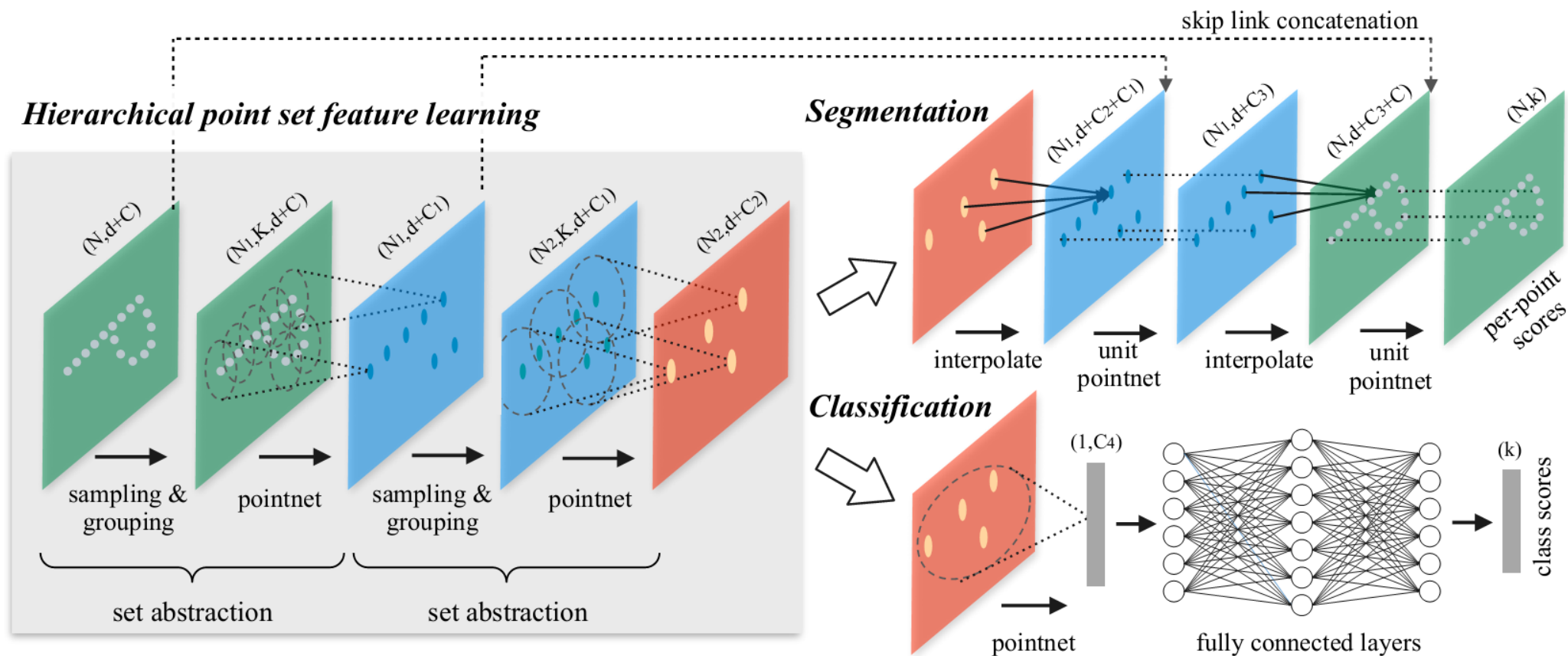
# Related Work PointNet: permutation invariance



Shared MLP + max pool (symmetric function)

No local patterns capturing

# Related Work PointNet++: local to global

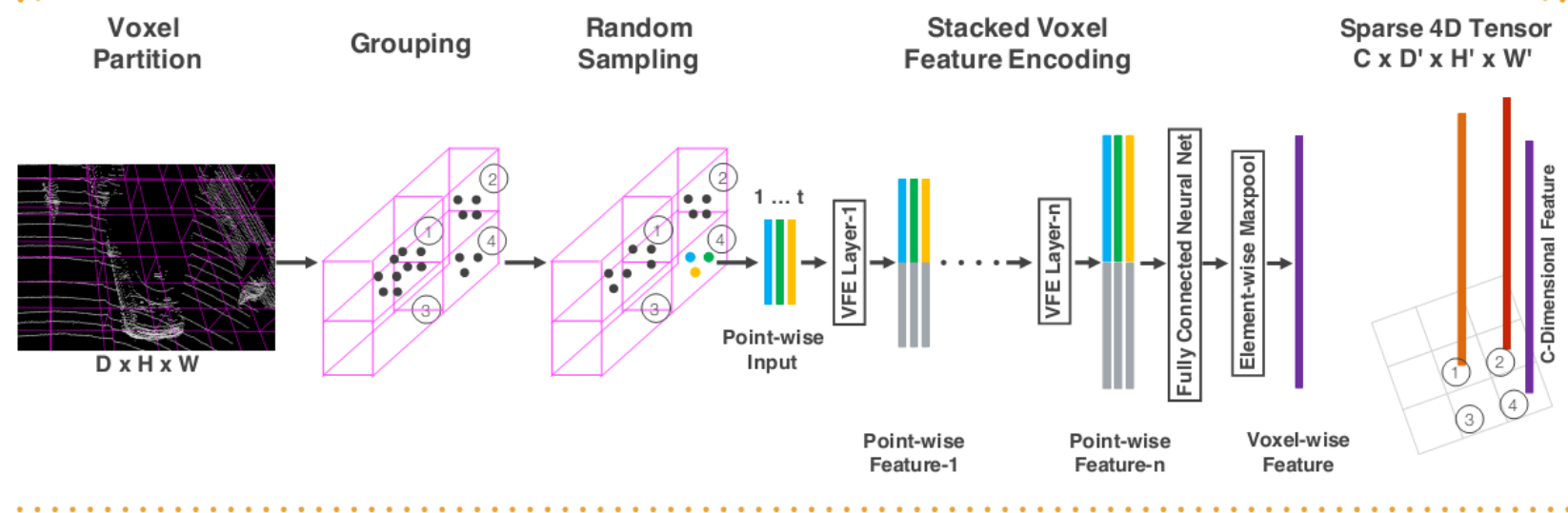
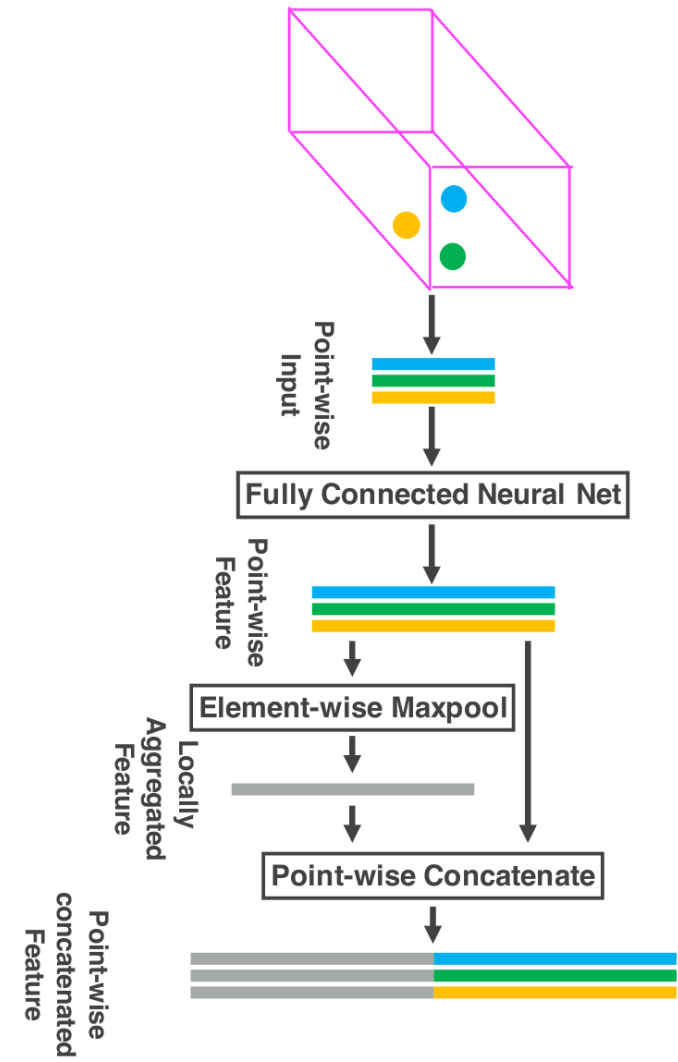
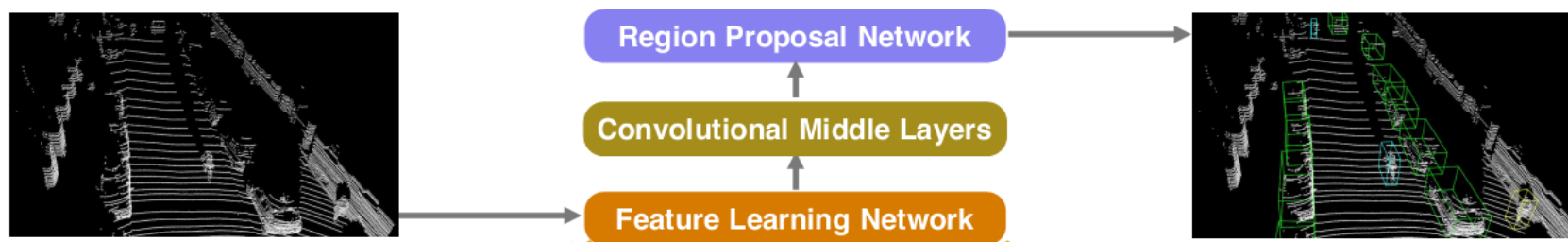


Sampling + Grouping + PointNet

Only similar to CNN in framework

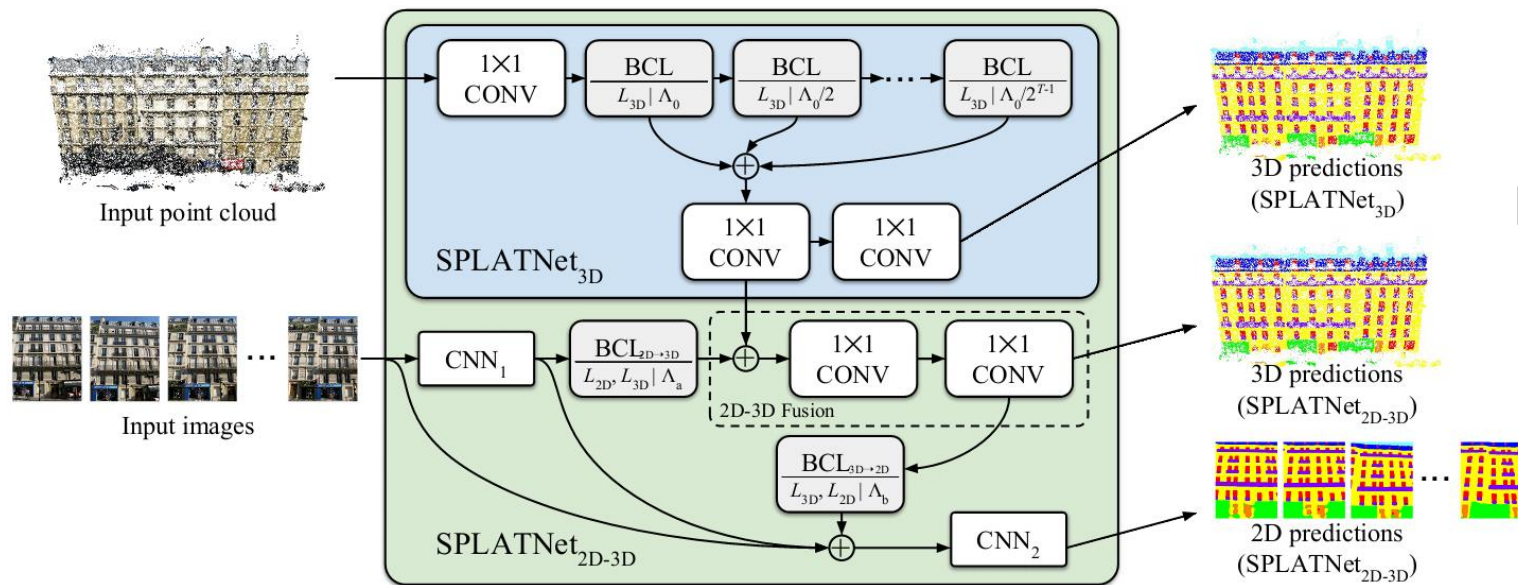
**Related work – regularization**

# Related Work *VoxelNet: voxelization*

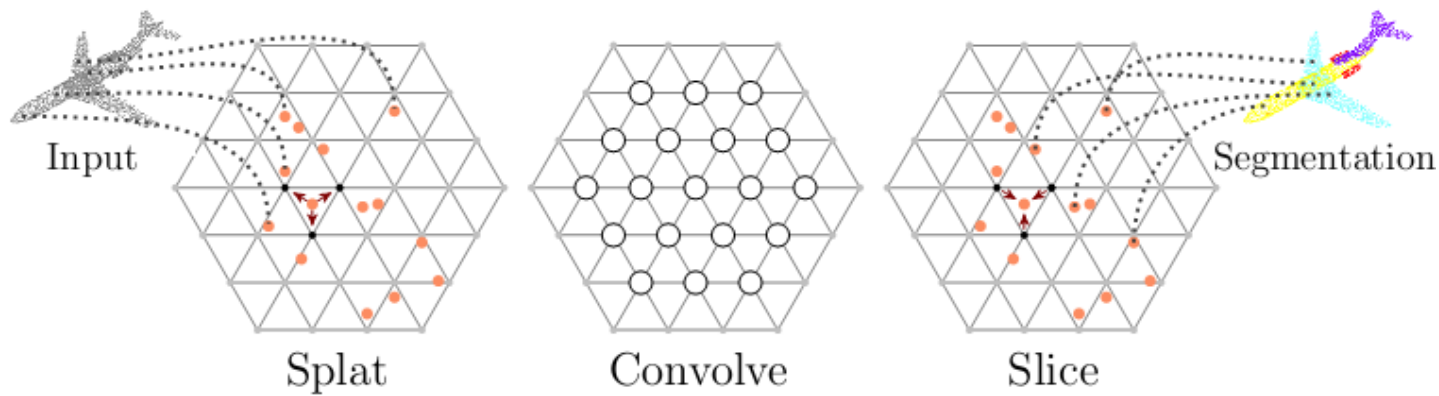




# Related Work SPLATNet: high-dimensional lattice



BCL: Bilateral convolution layer



# Related Work *PointCNN: X-transformation*

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In this paper, we propose to learn a  $K \times K$   $\mathcal{X}$ -transformation for the coordinates of  $K$  input points  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_K)$ , with a multilayer perceptron [39], i.e.,  $\mathcal{X} = MLP(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_K)$ . Our aim is to use it to simultaneously weight and permute the input features, and subsequently apply a typical convolution on the transformed features. We refer to this process as  $\mathcal{X}$ -Conv, and it is the basic

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## ALGORITHM 1: $\mathcal{X}$ -Conv Operator

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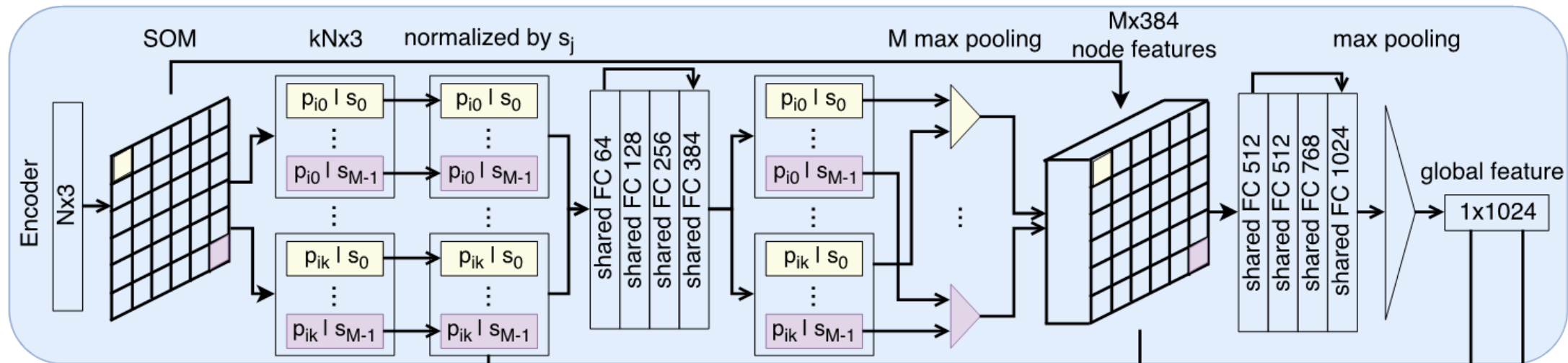
**Input** :  $\mathbf{K}, p, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}$

**Output** :  $\mathbf{F}_p$

- 1:  $\mathbf{P}' \leftarrow \mathbf{P} - p$
- 2:  $\mathbf{F}_\delta \leftarrow MLP_\delta(\mathbf{P}')$
- 3:  $\mathbf{F}_* \leftarrow [\mathbf{F}_\delta, \mathbf{F}]$
- 4:  $\mathcal{X} \leftarrow MLP(\mathbf{P}')$
- 5:  $\mathbf{F}_\mathcal{X} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times \mathbf{F}_*$
- 6:  $\mathbf{F}_p \leftarrow \text{Conv}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{F}_\mathcal{X})$

- ▷ Features “projected”, or “aggregated”, into representative point  $p$ 
  - ▷ Move  $\mathbf{P}$  to local coordinate system of  $p$
  - ▷ **Individually** lift each point into  $C_\delta$  dimensional space
- ▷ Concatenate  $\mathbf{F}_\delta$  and  $\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}_*$  is a  $K \times (C_\delta + C_1)$  matrix
  - ▷ Learn the  $K \times K$   $\mathcal{X}$ -transformation matrix
  - ▷ Weight and permute  $\mathbf{F}_*$  with the learnt  $\mathcal{X}$
- ▷ Finally, typical convolution between  $\mathbf{K}$  and  $\mathbf{F}_\mathcal{X}$

# Related Work SO-Net: Self-Organizing Map (SOM)

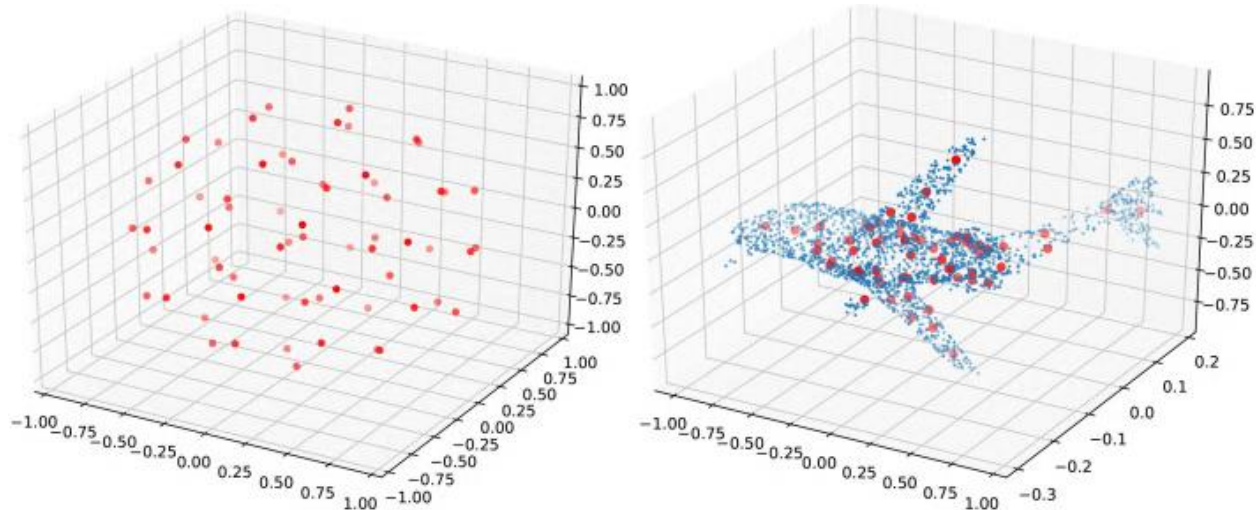


$$s_{ik} = \text{kNN}(p_i | s_j, j = 0, \dots, M - 1).$$

$$p_{ik} = p_i - s_{ik}.$$

$$p_{ik}^{l+1} = \phi(W^l p_{ik}^l + b^l).$$

$$s_j^0 = \max(\{p_{ik}^l, \forall s_{ik} = s_j\}).$$



**Related work – robustness to rigid transformation**



# Related Work

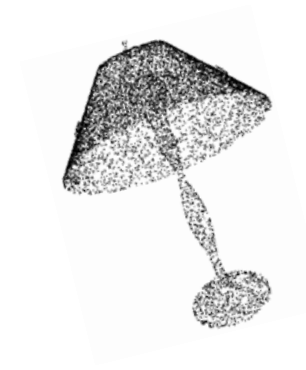
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Normalization:

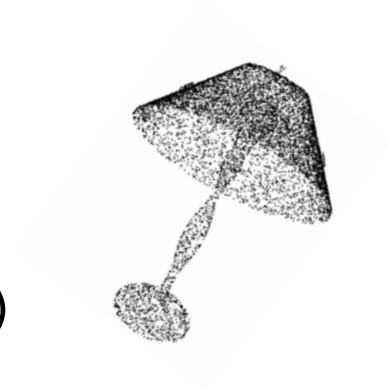
✓ Translation

✓ Scale

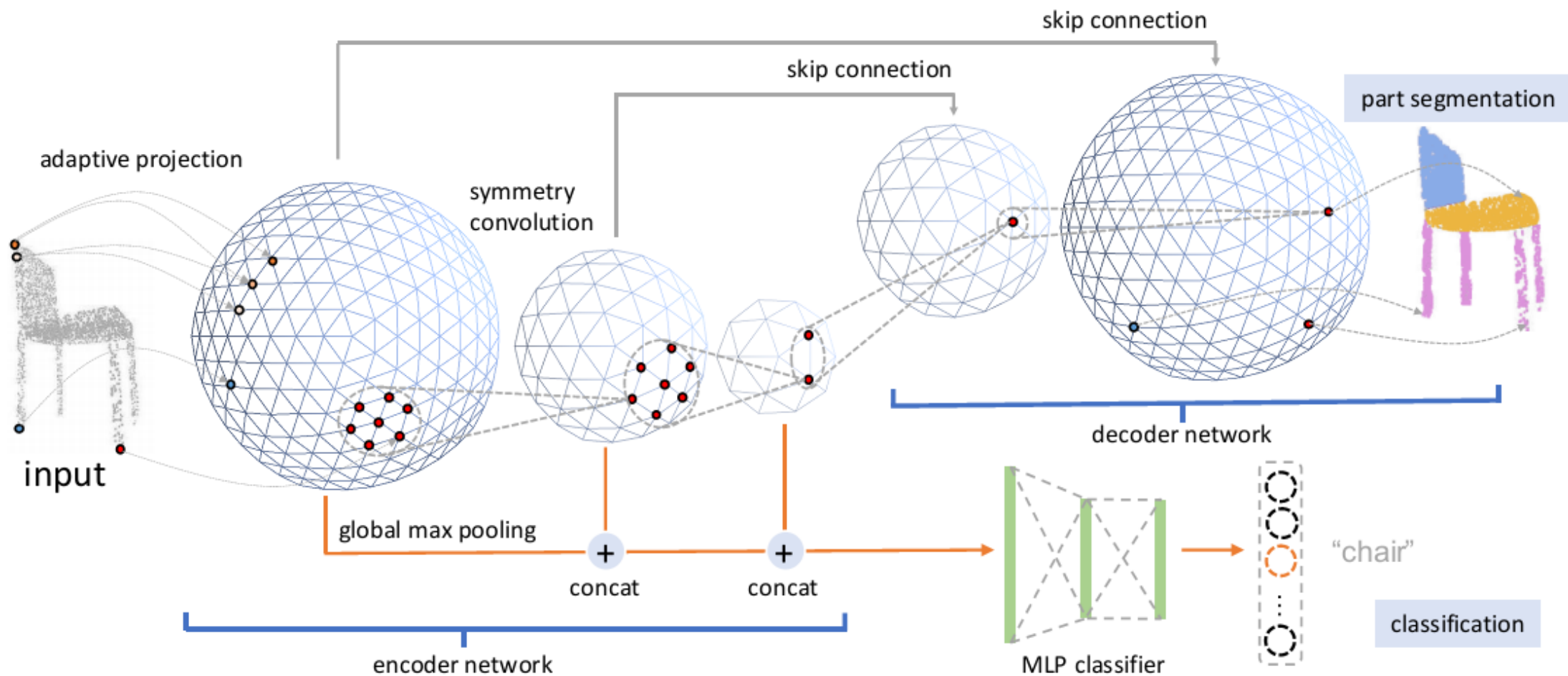
✗ Rotation



$$\mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{R}, (\mathbf{N} \times 3) \cdot (3 \times 3)$$



# Related Work SFCNN: Spherical Fractal CNN



Cohen et al. Spherical CNNs. ICLR 2018.

Esteves et al. Learning so (3) equivariant representations with spherical CNNs. ECCV 2018.

Rao et al. Spherical Fractal Convolution Neural Networks for Point Cloud Recognition. CVPR 2019.

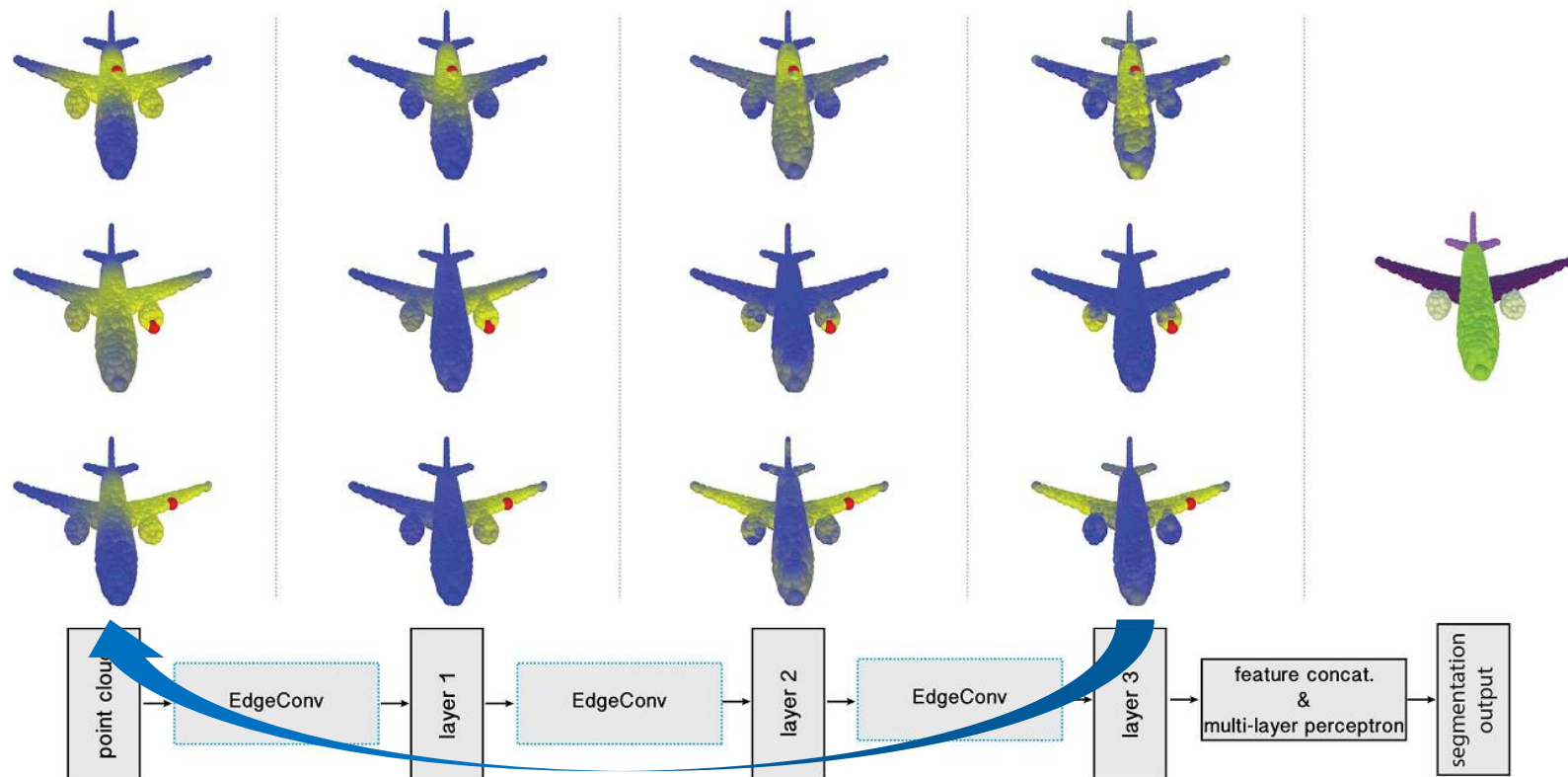
## **Related work – relation modeling**

# Related Work DGCNN

Points in high-level feature space captures semantically similar structures.

Despite a large distance between them in the original 3D space.

## Dynamic Graph CNN (DGCNN)





# Related Work DGCNN

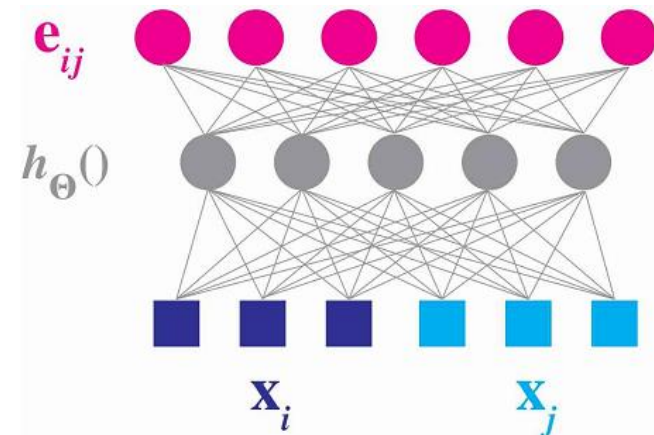
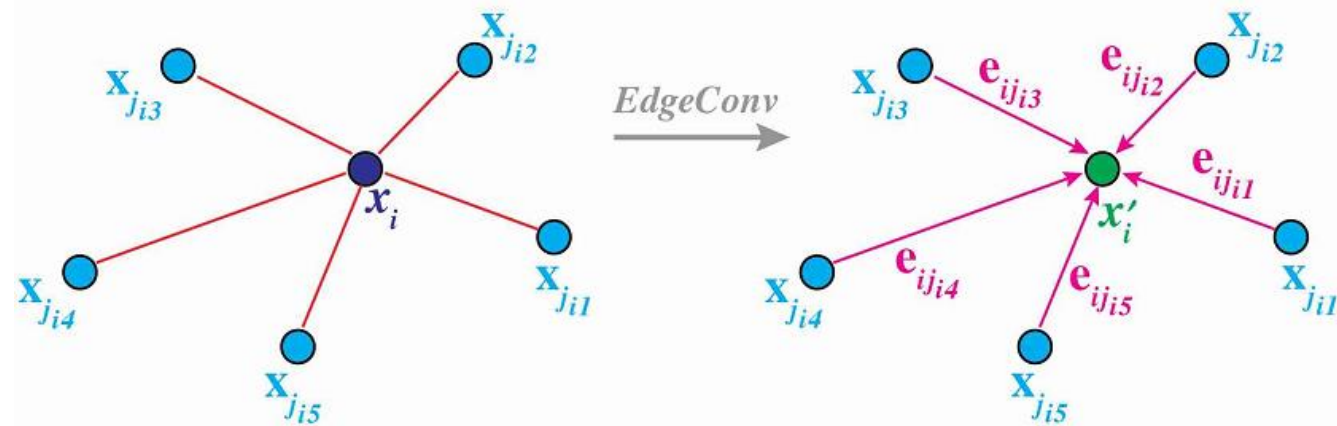
global info.    local info.

$$h_{\Theta}(x_i, x_j - x_i)$$

$x'_i = \max_{j:(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} h_{\Theta}(x_i, x_j).$

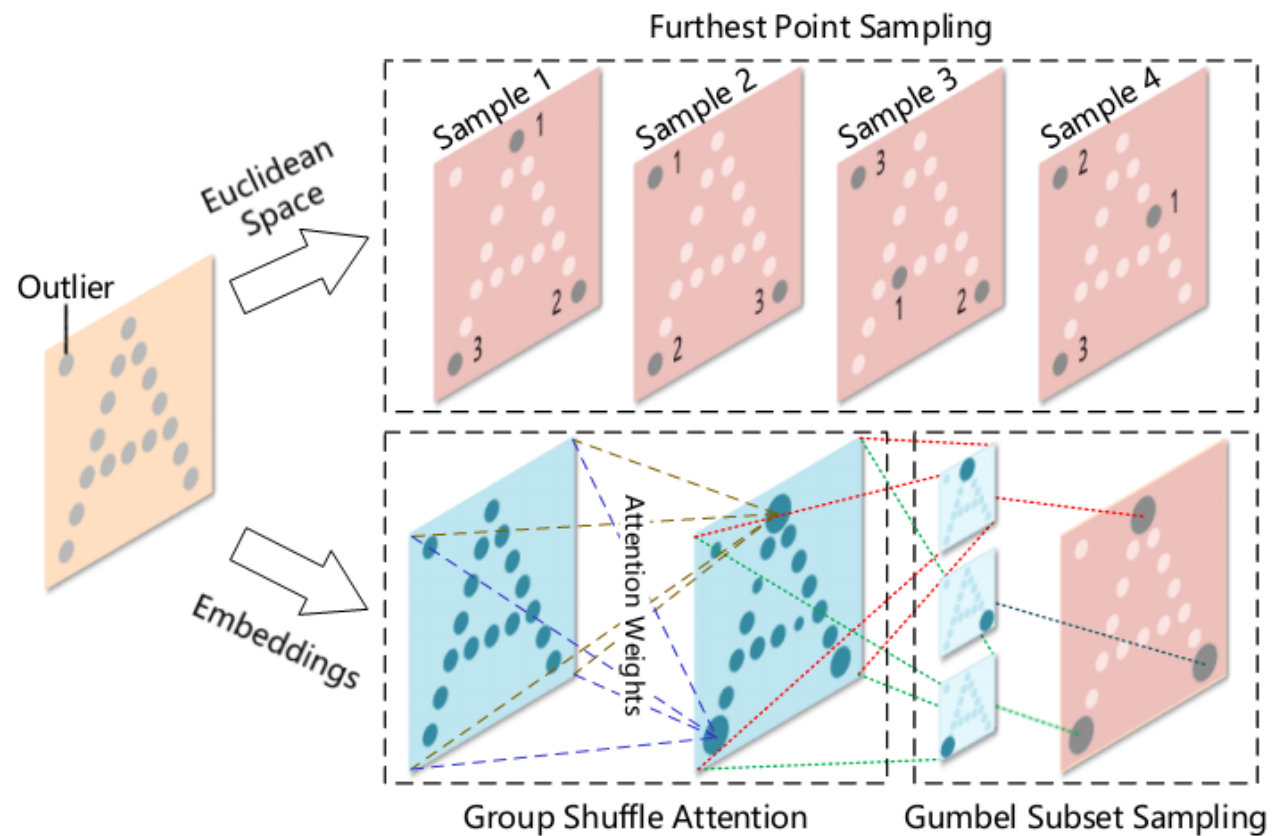
- Neighbors are found in feature space
- Learn from semantically similar structures

DGCNN — EdgeConv

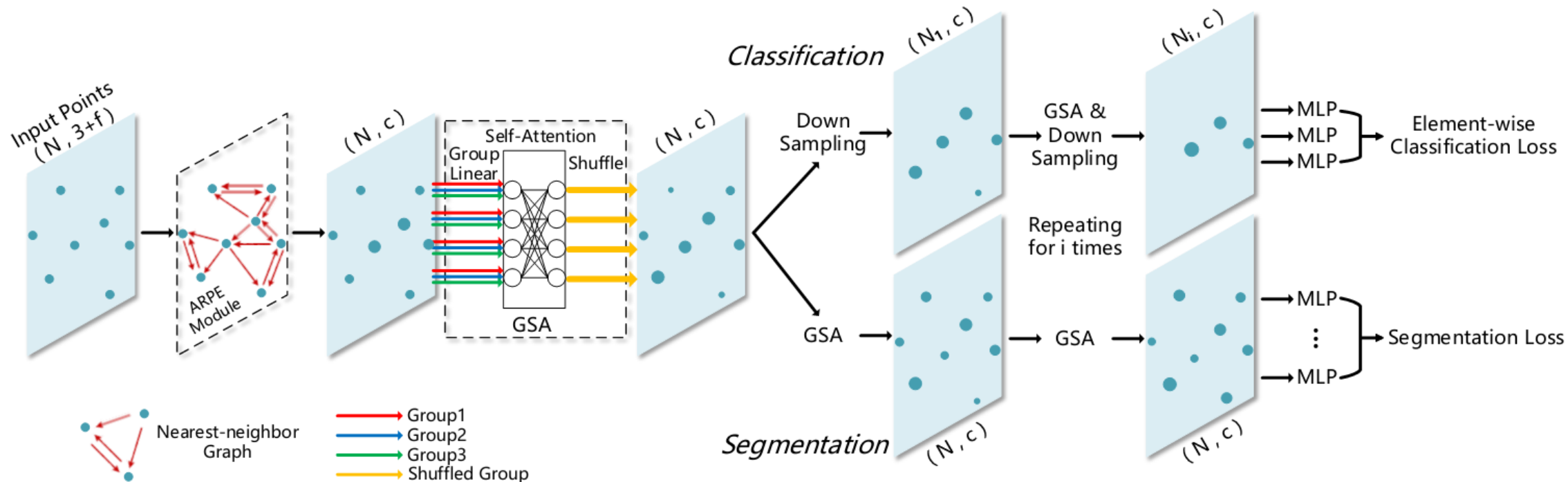


# Related Work self-attention

- Relation modeling: self-attention
- Gumbel Subset Sampling VS. Farthest Point Sampling
  - permutation-invariant
  - high-dimension embedding space
  - differentiable



# Related Work self-attention



Embedding: PointNet

$$X'_p = \{(x_p, x_i - x_p) \mid i \neq p\}.$$

Self-attention:

group convolution + channel shuffle + pre-activation

# Related Work self-attention

$$X_i \in \mathbb{R}^{N_i \times c}$$

$$X_{i+1} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{i+1} \times c} \subseteq X_i$$

Gumbel Subset Sampling:

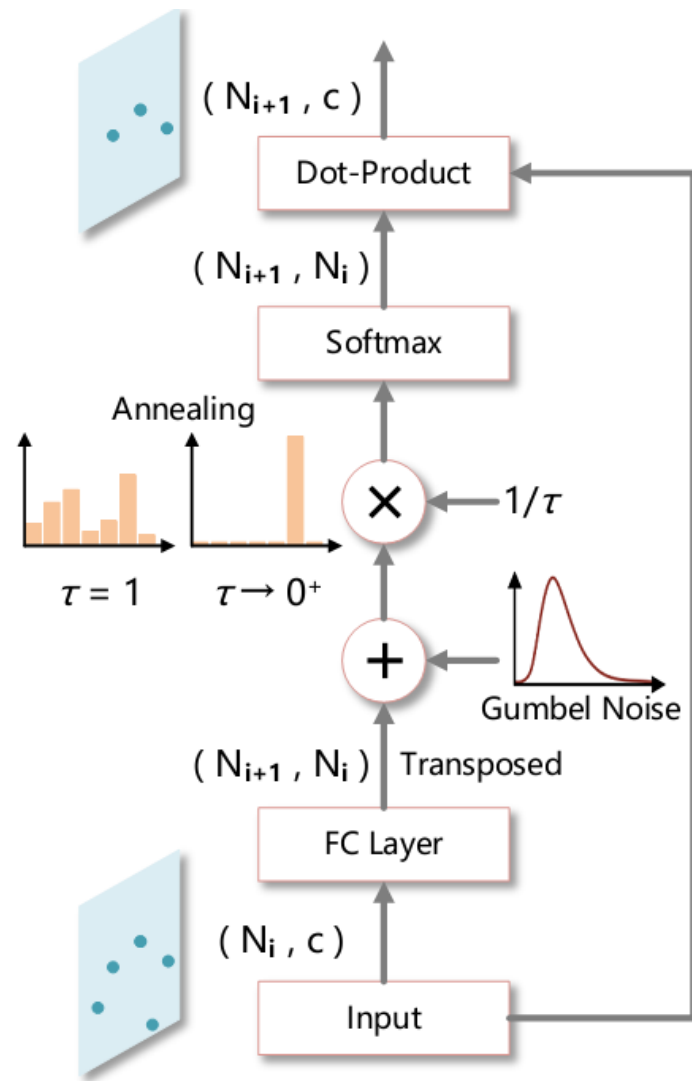
$$y = \text{softmax}(w X_i^T) \cdot X_i, \quad w \in \mathbb{R}^c.$$

↓ discrete reparameterization trick

$$y_{\text{gumbel}} = \text{gumbel\_softmax}(w X_i^T) \cdot X_i, \quad w \in \mathbb{R}^c.$$

↓ multiple point version

$$GSS(X_i) = \text{gumbel\_softmax}(W X_i^T) \cdot X_i, \quad W \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{i+1} \times c}.$$



**Related work – convolution on point cloud**

# Related Work Kernel Point Convolution

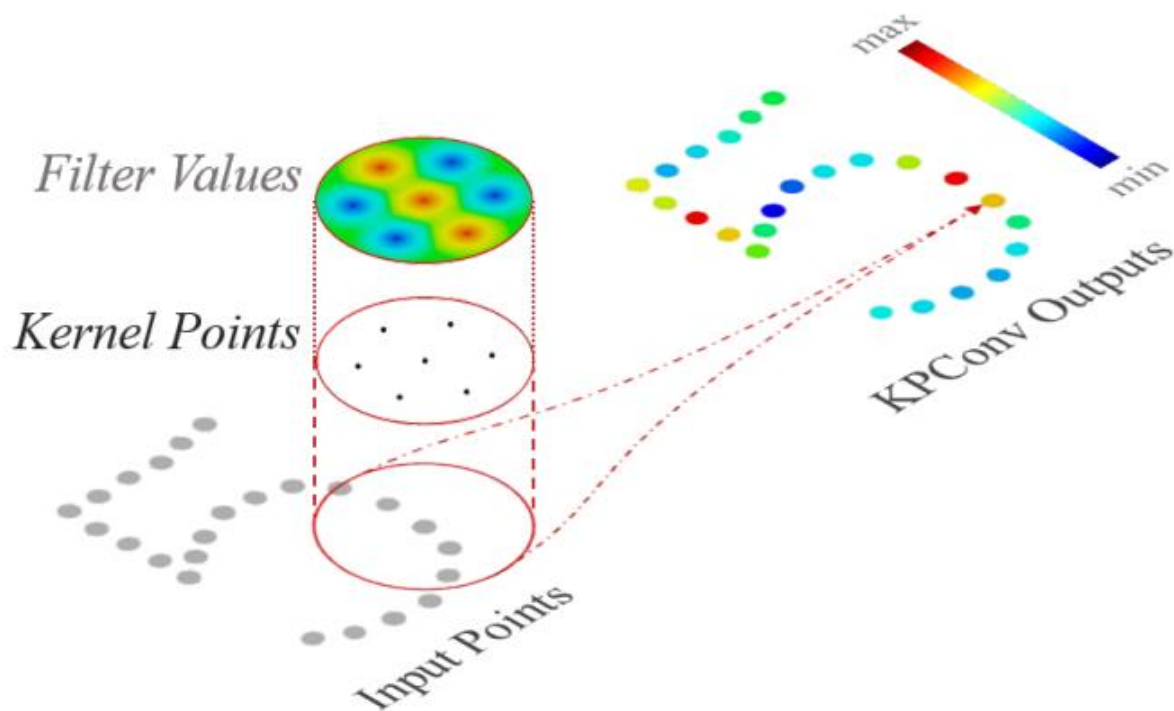
$$(\mathcal{F} * g)(x) = \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{N}_x} g(x_i - x) f_i$$

↓  $y_i = x_i - x$   
 $\mathcal{B}_r^3 = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \|y\| \leq r\}$

$$g(y_i) = \sum_{k < K} h(y_i, \tilde{x}_k) W_k$$

kernel points:  $\{\tilde{x}_k \mid k < K\} \subset \mathcal{B}_r^3$   
 $\{W_k \mid k < K\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{D_{in} \times D_{out}}$

$$h(y_i, \tilde{x}_k) = \max\left(0, 1 - \frac{\|y_i - \tilde{x}_k\|}{\sigma}\right)$$





# Related Work Kernel Point Convolution

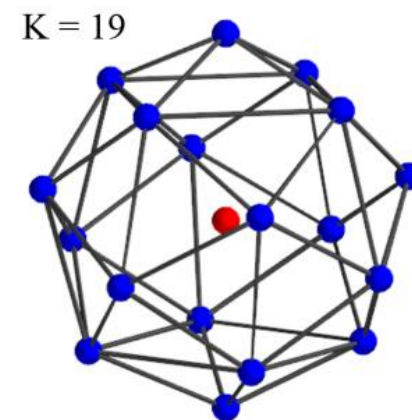
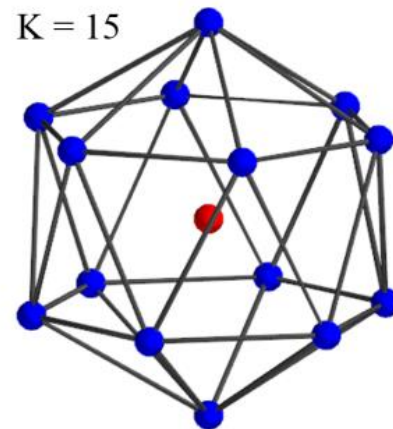
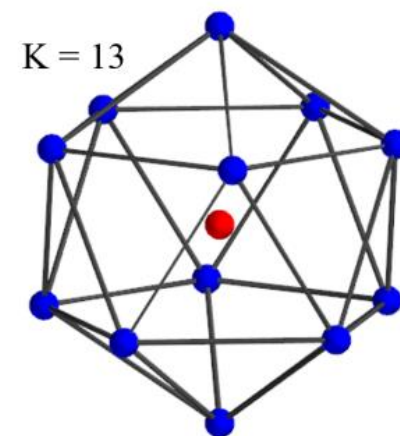
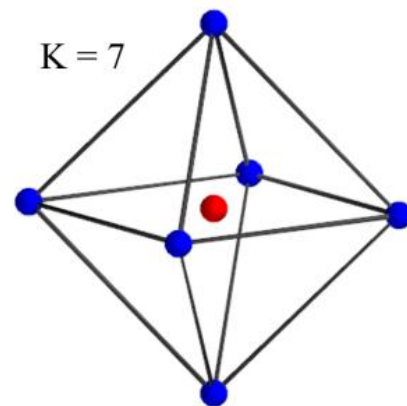
repulsive potential:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad E_k^{rep}(x) = \frac{1}{\|x - \tilde{x}_k\|}$$

attractive potential:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad E^{att}(x) = \|x\|^2$$

$$E^{tot} = \sum_{k < K} \left( E^{att}(\tilde{x}_k) + \sum_{l \neq k} E_k^{rep}(\tilde{x}_l) \right)$$



# Related Work *Geometric Deep Learning*

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Bronstein et al. Geometric deep learning: going beyond euclidean data. IEEE SPM, 2017.

Li et al. Supervised Fitting of Geometric Primitives to 3D Point Clouds. CVPR 2019.

Lan et al. Modeling Local Geometric Structure of 3D Point Clouds using Geo-CNN. CVPR 2019.

He et al. GeoNet: Deep Geodesic Networks for Point Cloud Analysis. CVPR 2019.

<http://geometricdeeplearning.com/>

## GEOMETRIC DEEP LEARNING

Geometric Deep Learning is one of the most emerging fields of the Machine Learning community.  
This website represents a collection of materials of this particular research area.

# Github: awesome-point-cloud-analysis



## awesome-point-cloud-analysis

for anyone who wants to do research about 3D point cloud.

If you find the awesome paper/code/dataset or have some suggestions, please contact [linhua2017@ia.ac.cn](mailto:linhua2017@ia.ac.cn). Thanks for your valuable contribution to the research community 😊

### - Recent papers (from 2017)

#### Keywords

`dat.` : dataset | `cls.` : classification | `rel.` : retrieval | `seg.` : segmentation  
`det.` : detection | `tra.` : tracking | `pos.` : pose | `dep.` : depth  
`reg.` : registration | `rec.` : reconstruction | `aut.` : autonomous driving  
`oth.` : other, including normal-related, correspondence, mapping, matching, alignment, compression, generative model...

Statistics: 🔥 code is available & stars  $\geq$  100 | ⭐ citation  $\geq$  50

#### 2017

- [CVPR] PointNet: Deep Learning on Point Sets for 3D Classification and Segmentation. [[tensorflow](#)][[pytorch](#)] [`cls.` `seg.` `det.`] 🔥 ⭐
- [CVPR] Dynamic Edge-Conditioned Filters in Convolutional Neural Networks on Graphs. [`cls.`] ⭐
- [CVPR] SyncSpecCNN: Synchronized Spectral CNN for 3D Shape Segmentation. [[torch](#)] [`seg.` `oth.`] ⭐
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# Relation-Shape Convolutional Neural Network for Point Cloud Analysis

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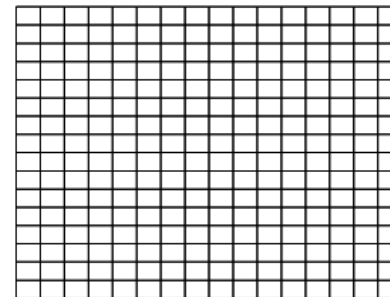
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Project Page: <https://yochengliu.github.io/Relation-Shape-CNN/>

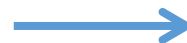
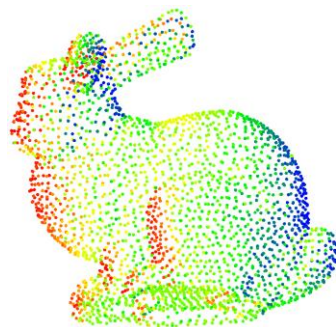


# RS-CNN *Motivation*

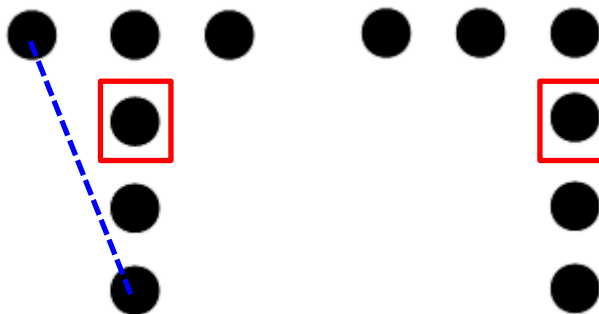
2D image



3D point cloud



3D **Shape** Learning



**Relation** Learning

Deep Learning (CNN)



# RS-CNN *Method: Relation-Shape Conv*

local point subset  $P_{\text{sub}} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$   $\longrightarrow$  spherical neighborhood:  $x_i + x_j \in \mathcal{N}(x_i)$

$$\mathbf{f}_{P_{\text{sub}}} = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\{\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{f}_{x_j}), \forall x_j\}))^1, d_{ij} < r \forall x_j \in \mathcal{N}(x_i) \quad y = \sigma(\sum \mathbf{W} * \mathbf{X})$$

$\mathcal{T}$ : feature transformation     $\mathcal{A}$ : feature aggregation

- Permutation invariance: only when  $\mathcal{A}$  is symmetric and  $\mathcal{T}$  is shared over each point

- Limitations of CNN: weight is not shared

gradient only w.r.t single point - implicit

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{f}_{x_j}) = \mathbf{w}_j \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}$$

- Conversion: learn from relation

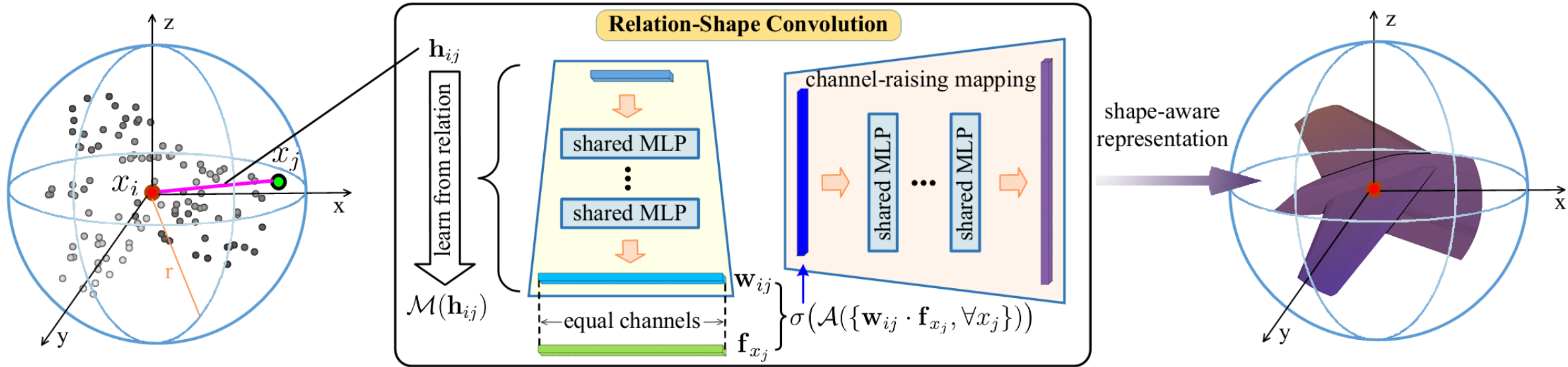
$$\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{f}_{x_j}) = \mathbf{w}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{h}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}$$

$\mathbf{h}_{ij}$ : predefined geometric priors  $\rightarrow$  low-level relation

$$\mathbf{f}_{P_{\text{sub}}} = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{h}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}, \forall x_j\})) \quad \mathcal{M}: \text{mapping function (shared MLP)} \rightarrow \text{high-level relation}$$



# RS-CNN Method



high-level relation encoding + channel raising mapping

low-level relation  $h_{ij}$  : (3D Euclidean distance,  $x_i - x_j$ ,  $x_i$ ,  $x_j$ ) 10 channels

# RS-CNN RS-Conv: Properties

$$\mathbf{f}_{P_{\text{sub}}} = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{h}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}, \forall x_j\}))$$

- ✓ Permutation invariance
- ✓ Robustness to rigid transformation in Relation Learning, e.g., 3D Euclidean distance
- ✓ Points' interaction
- ✓ Weight sharing

Revisiting 2D Conv:

$$\text{output} = \sum_{j=1}^9 w_j x_j$$

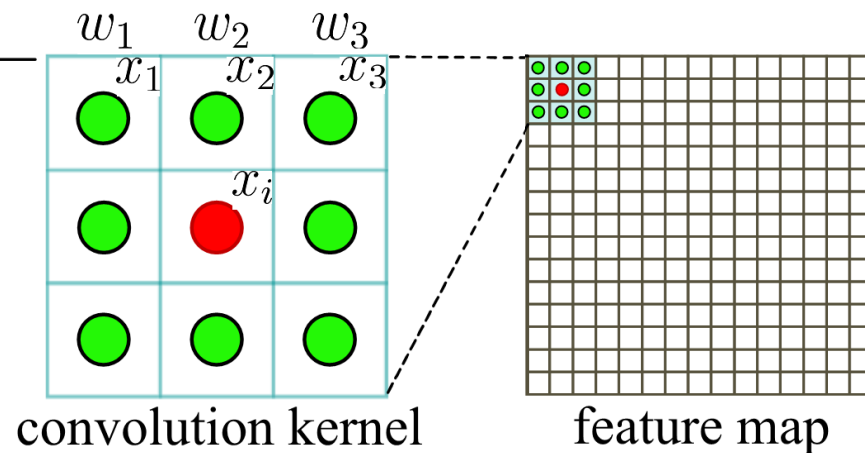
$w_1 \rightarrow w_{i1}$ : top left

$w_2 \rightarrow w_{i2}$ : right above

$w_3 \rightarrow w_{i3}$ : top right

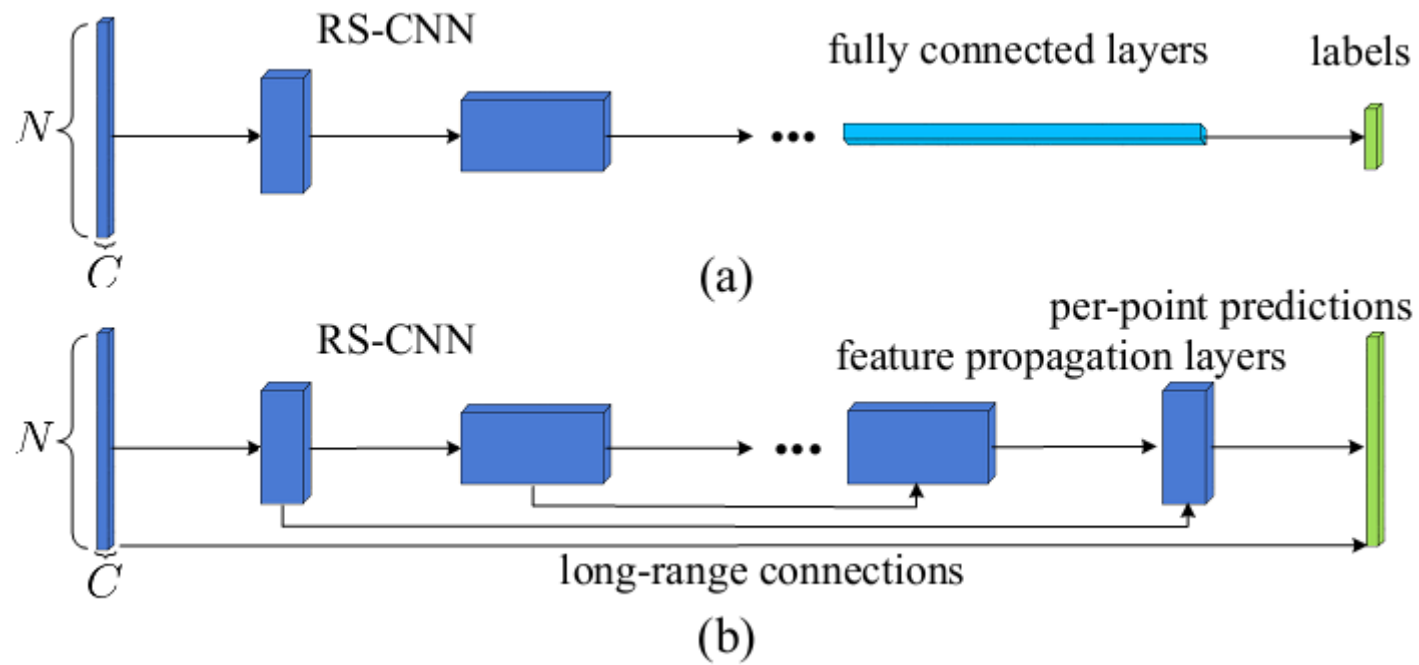
⋮

grid relation



RS-Conv with relation learning is more general and can be applied to model 2D grid spatial relationship.

# RS-CNN RS-CNN

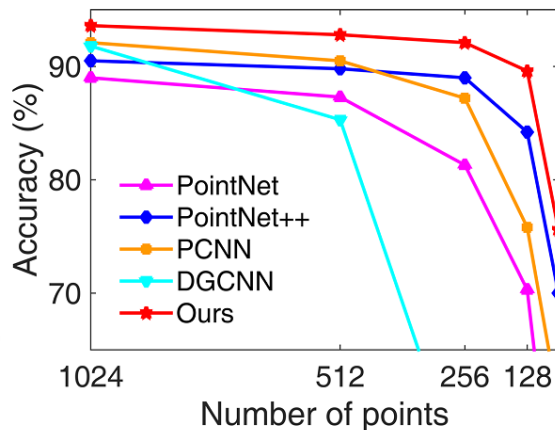
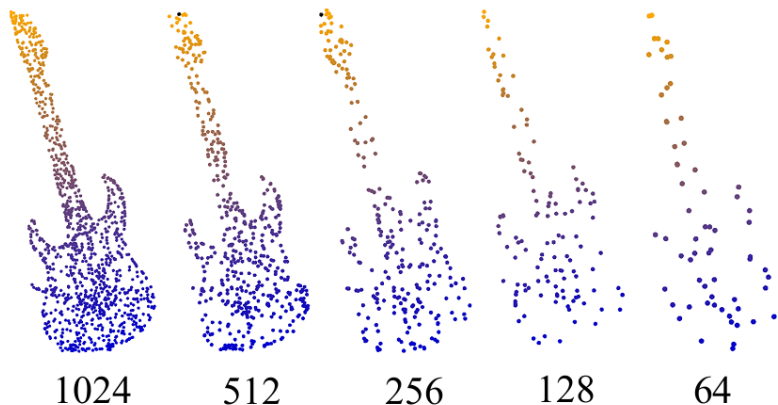


Farthest Point Sampling + Sphere Neighborhood + RS-Conv

# RS-CNN *Shape classification*

ModelNet40 benchmark

Robustness to sampling density



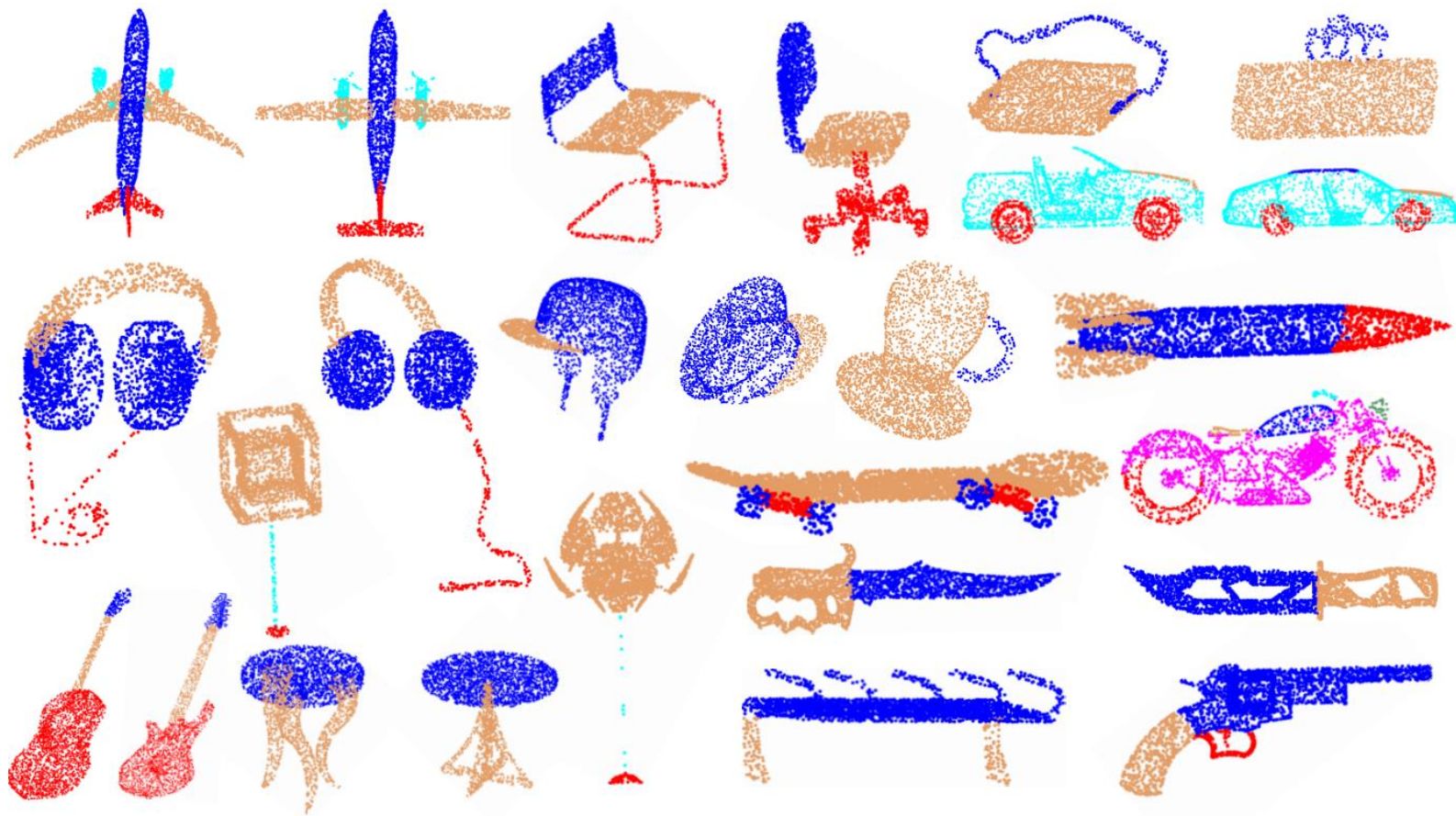
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Deep Sets [48]	xyz	1k	87.1
ECC [31]	xyz	1k	87.4
PointNet [24]	xyz	1k	89.2
SCN [44]	xyz	1k	90.0
Kd-Net(depth=10) [16]	xyz	1k	90.6
PointNet++ [26]	xyz	1k	90.7
KCNet [30]	xyz	1k	91.0
MRTNet [3]	xyz	1k	91.2
Spec-GCN [38]	xyz	1k	91.5
PointCNN [21]	xyz	1k	91.7
DGCNN [41]	xyz	1k	92.2
PCNN [1]	xyz	1k	92.3
<b>Ours</b>	<b>xyz</b>	<b>1k</b>	<b>93.6</b>
SO-Net [19]	xyz	2k	90.9
Kd-Net(depth=15) [16]	xyz	32k	91.8
O-CNN [39]	xyz, nor	-	90.6
Spec-GCN [38]	xyz, nor	1k	91.8
PointNet++ [26]	xyz, nor	5k	91.9
SpiderCNN [45]	xyz, nor	5k	92.4
SO-Net [19]	xyz, nor	5k	93.4

# RS-CNN *ShapePart Segmentation*

method	input	class mIoU	instance mIoU	air plane	bag	cap	car	chair	ear phone	guitar	knife	lamp	laptop	motor bike	mug	pistol	rocket	skate board	table
Kd-Net [16]	4k	77.4	82.3	80.1	74.6	74.3	70.3	88.6	73.5	90.2	87.2	81.0	94.9	57.4	86.7	78.1	51.8	69.9	80.3
PointNet [24]	2k	80.4	83.7	83.4	78.7	82.5	74.9	89.6	73.0	91.5	85.9	80.8	95.3	65.2	93.0	81.2	57.9	72.8	80.6
RS-Net [11]	-	81.4	84.9	82.7	<b>86.4</b>	84.1	78.2	90.4	69.3	91.4	87.0	83.5	95.4	66.0	92.6	81.8	56.1	75.8	82.2
SCN [44]	1k	81.8	84.6	83.8	80.8	83.5	79.3	90.5	69.8	<b>91.7</b>	86.5	82.9	96.0	69.2	93.8	82.5	<b>62.9</b>	74.4	80.8
PCNN [1]	2k	81.8	85.1	82.4	80.1	85.5	79.5	90.8	73.2	91.3	86.0	85.0	95.7	73.2	94.8	83.3	51.0	75.0	81.8
SPLATNet [34]	-	82.0	84.6	81.9	83.9	88.6	79.5	90.1	73.5	91.3	84.7	84.5	<b>96.3</b>	69.7	<b>95.0</b>	81.7	59.2	70.4	81.3
KCNet [30]	2k	82.2	84.7	82.8	81.5	86.4	77.6	90.3	76.8	91.0	87.2	84.5	95.5	69.2	94.4	81.6	60.1	75.2	81.3
DGCNN [41]	2k	82.3	85.1	<b>84.2</b>	83.7	84.4	77.1	90.9	78.5	91.5	87.3	82.9	96.0	67.8	93.3	82.6	59.7	75.5	82.0
<b>Ours</b>	<b>2k</b>	<b>84.0</b>	<b>86.2</b>	83.5	84.8	<b>88.8</b>	<b>79.6</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>81.1</b>	91.6	<b>88.4</b>	<b>86.0</b>	96.0	<b>73.7</b>	94.1	<b>83.4</b>	60.5	<b>77.7</b>	<b>83.6</b>
PointNet++ [26]	2k,nor	81.9	85.1	82.4	79.0	87.7	77.3	90.8	71.8	91.0	85.9	83.7	95.3	71.6	94.1	81.3	58.7	76.4	82.6
SyncCNN [47]	mesh	82.0	84.7	81.6	81.7	81.9	75.2	90.2	74.9	93.0	86.1	84.7	95.6	66.7	92.7	81.6	60.6	82.9	82.1
SO-Net [19]	1k,nor	80.8	84.6	81.9	83.5	84.8	78.1	90.8	72.2	90.1	83.6	82.3	95.2	69.3	94.2	80.0	51.6	72.1	82.6
SpiderCNN [45]	2k,nor	82.4	85.3	83.5	81.0	87.2	77.5	90.7	76.8	91.1	87.3	83.3	95.8	70.2	93.5	82.7	59.7	75.8	82.8

class mIoU 1.7↑      instance mIoU 1.1↑

Best results over 10 categories



Diverse, confusing shapes

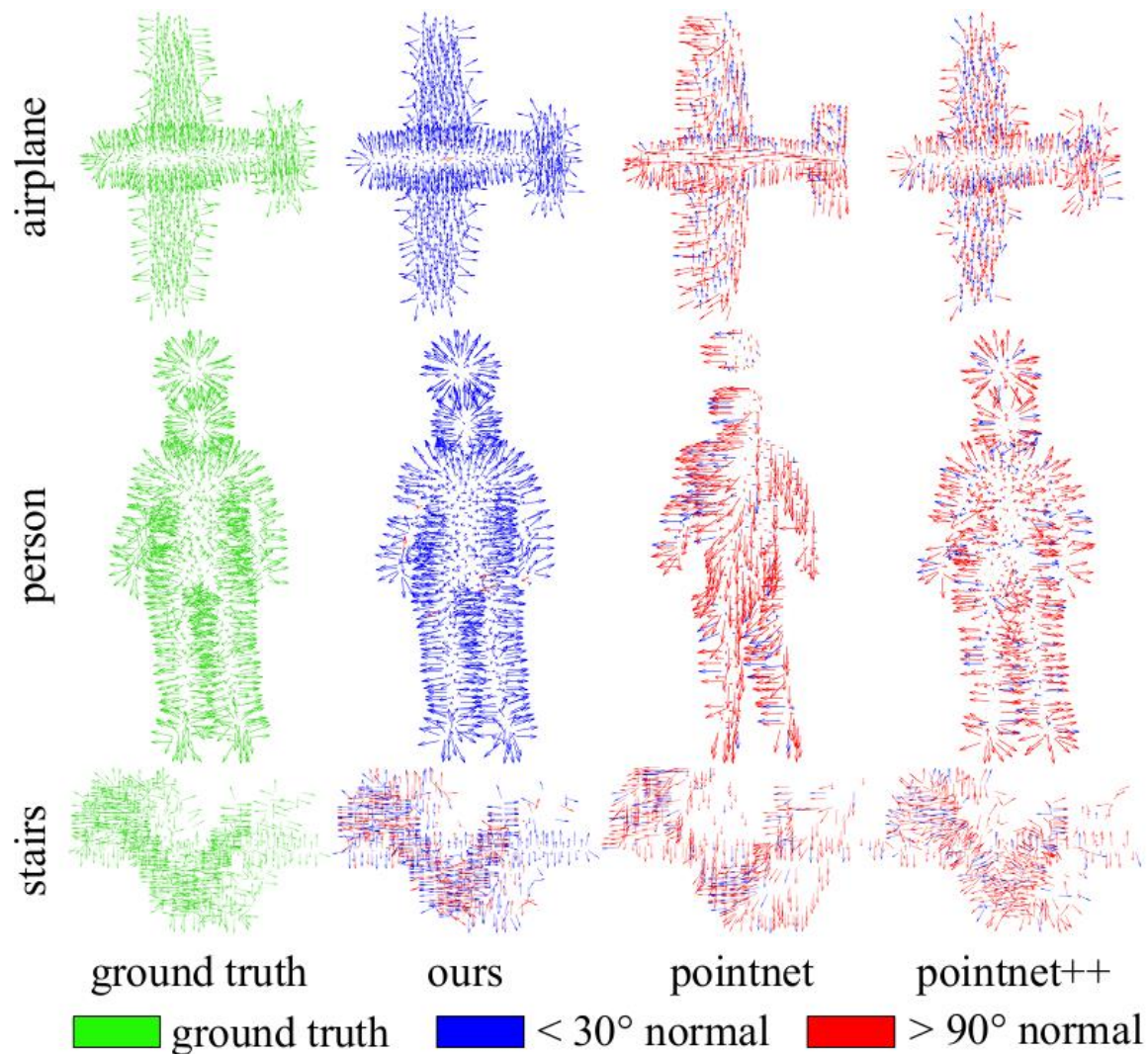


# RS-CNN *Normal estimation*

Table 3. Normal estimation error on ModelNet40 dataset.

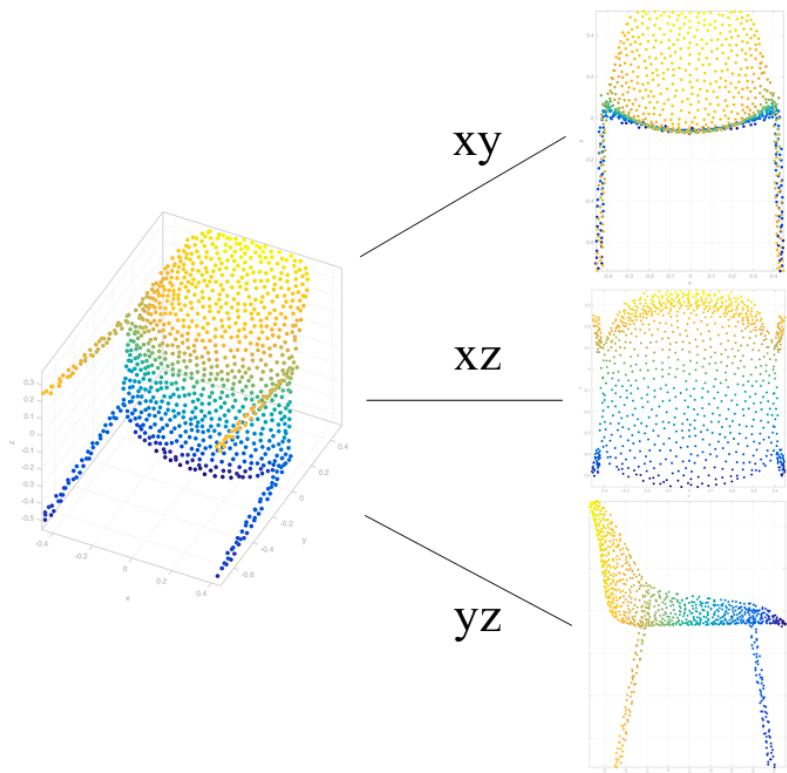
dataset	method	#points	error
ModelNet40	PointNet [1]	1k	0.47
	PointNet++ [1]	1k	0.29
	PCNN [1]	1k	0.19
	<b>Ours</b>	<b>1k</b>	<b>0.15</b>

less effective for some intractable shapes,  
such as spiral stairs and intricate plants



# RS-CNN *Geometric priors*

$$\mathbf{f}_{P_{\text{sub}}} = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{h}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}, \forall x_j\}))$$



model	low-level relation $\mathbf{h}$	channels	acc.
A	(3D-Ed)	1	92.5
B	(3D-Ed, $x_i - x_j$ )	4	93.0
C	(3D-Ed, $x_i - x_j, x_i, x_j$ )	10	<b>93.6</b>
D	(3D-cosd, $x_i^{\text{nor}}, x_j^{\text{nor}}$ )	7	92.8
E	(2D-Ed, $x'_i - x'_j, x'_i, x'_j$ )	10	$\approx 92.2$

low-level relation $\mathbf{h}$	channels	acc.
(XY-Ed, $x_i^{\text{xy}} - x_j^{\text{xy}}, x_i^{\text{xy}}, x_j^{\text{xy}}$ )	10	92.1
(XZ-Ed, $x_i^{\text{xz}} - x_j^{\text{xz}}, x_i^{\text{xz}}, x_j^{\text{xz}}$ )	10	92.1
(YZ-Ed, $x_i^{\text{yz}} - x_j^{\text{yz}}, x_i^{\text{yz}}, x_j^{\text{yz}}$ )	10	92.2
fusion of above three views		92.5

# RS-CNN *Model analysis*

Robustness to point permutation and rigid transformation

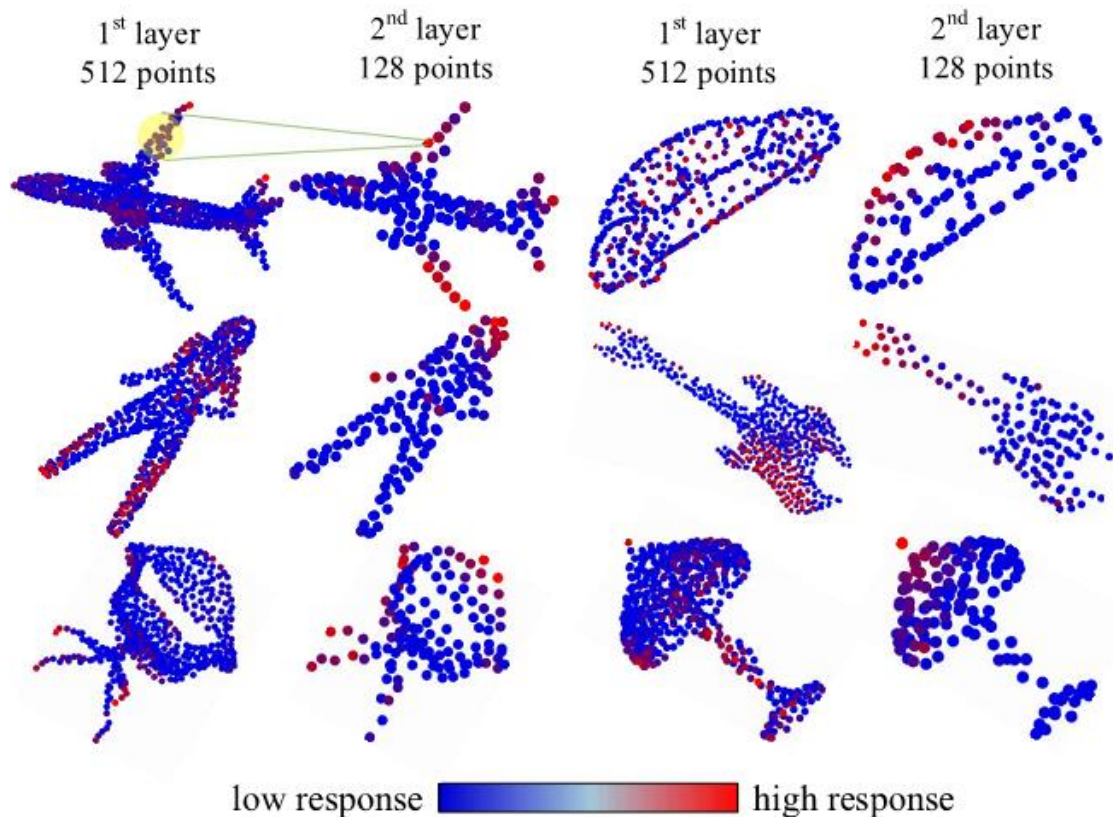
relation: 3D  
Euclidean distance

method	acc.	perm.	+0.2	-0.2	90°	180°
PointNet [24]	88.7	88.7	70.8	70.6	42.5	38.6
PointNet++ [26]	88.2 <sup>†</sup>	88.2	88.2	88.2	47.9	39.7
<b>Ours</b>	<b>90.3<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>

$$\mathbf{f}_{P_{\text{sub}}} = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{h}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{f}_{x_j}, \forall x_j\}))$$

Model complexity

method	#params	#FLOPs/sample
PointNet [24]	3.50M	440M
PointNet++ [21]	1.48M	1684M
PCNN [21]	8.20M	<b>294M</b>
<b>Ours</b>	<b>1.41M</b>	295M



**Thanks for your attention !**