

Computer Vision by Learning

# Hyperbolic Deep Learning

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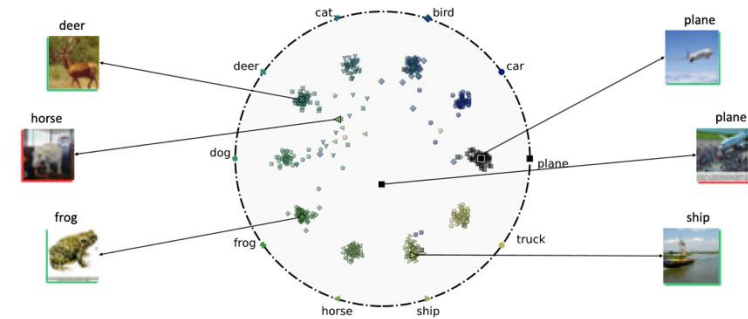
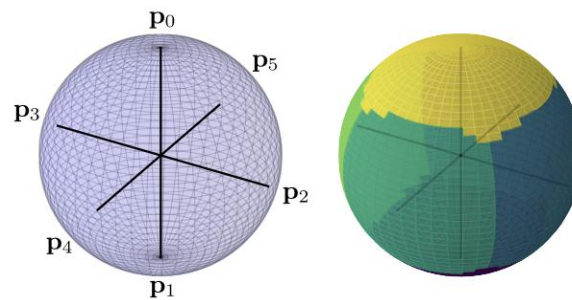
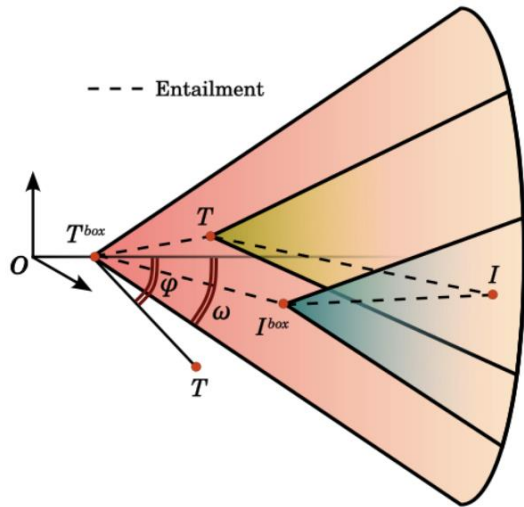
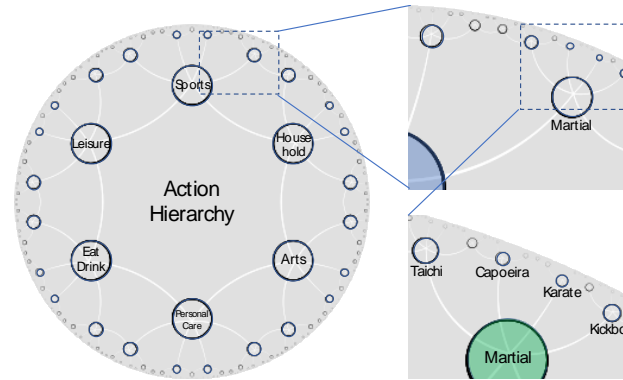
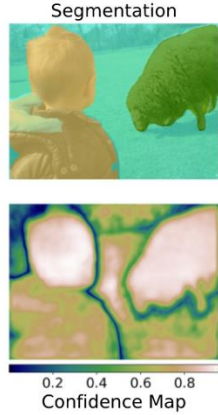
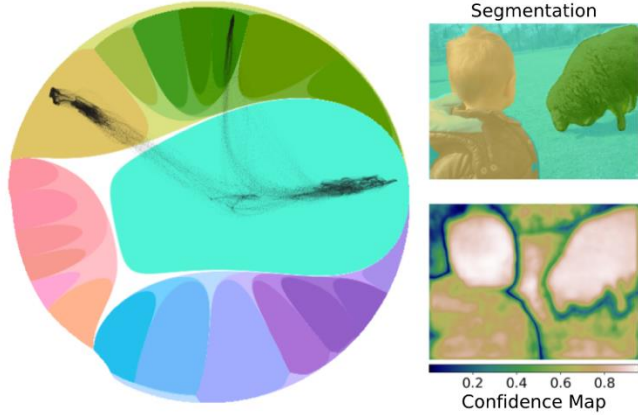
# Who am I



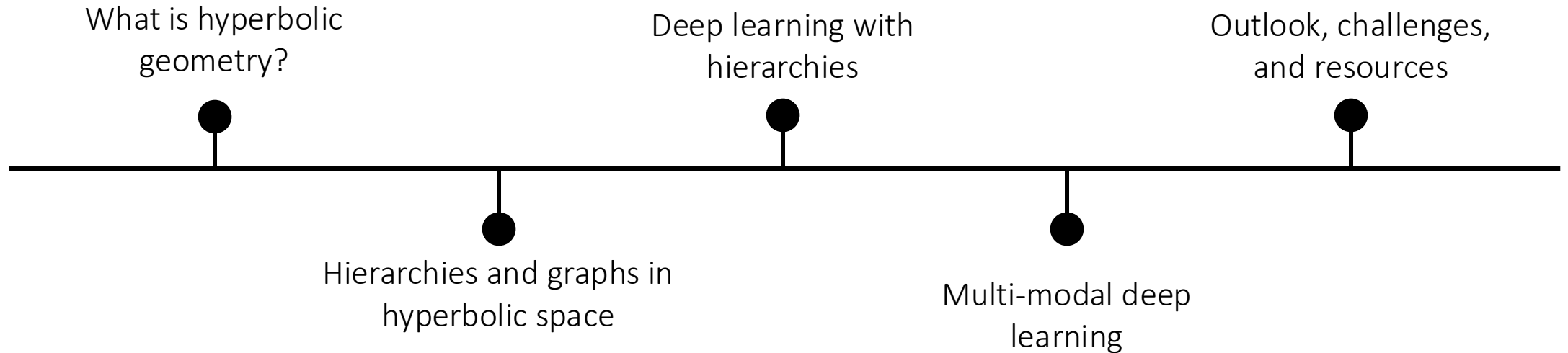
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Computer vision  
Hierarchical knowledge  
Hyperbolic geometry



# Journey of the lecture



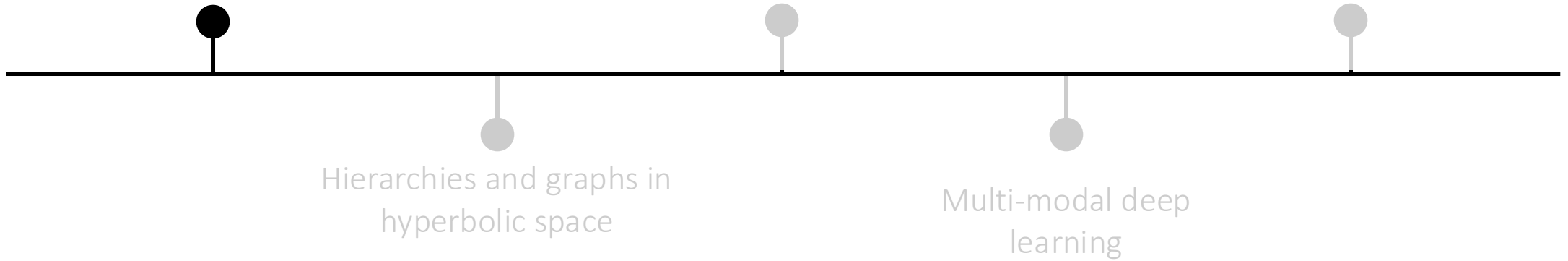
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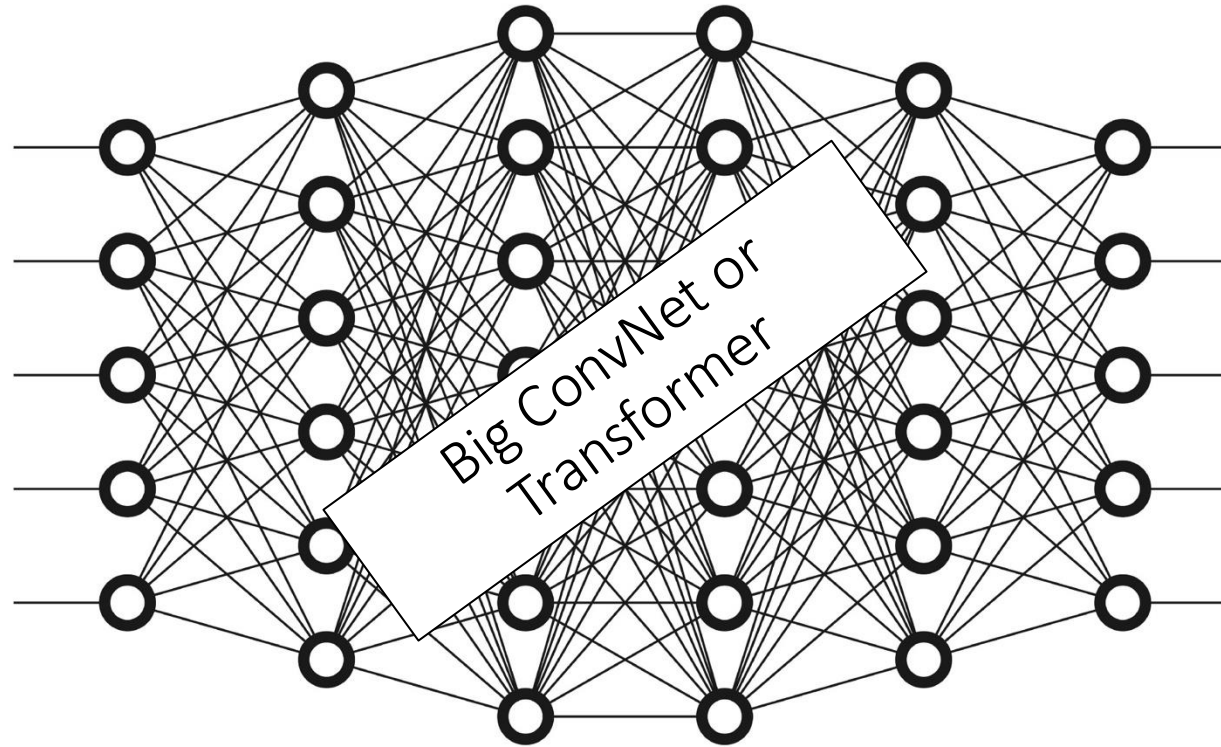
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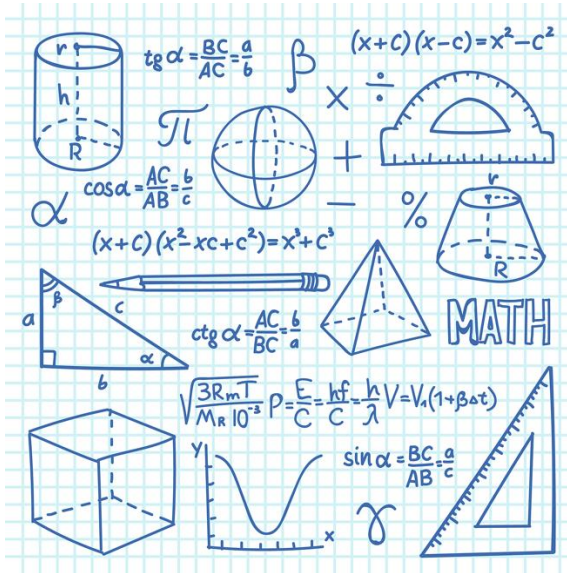


# Canonical deep learning



“person walking with  
dog in the park”

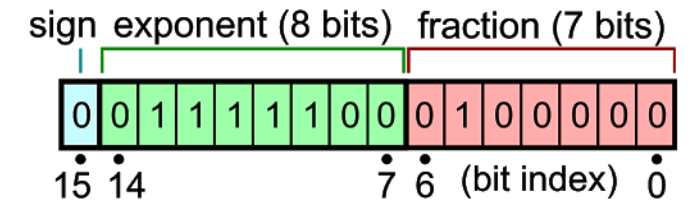
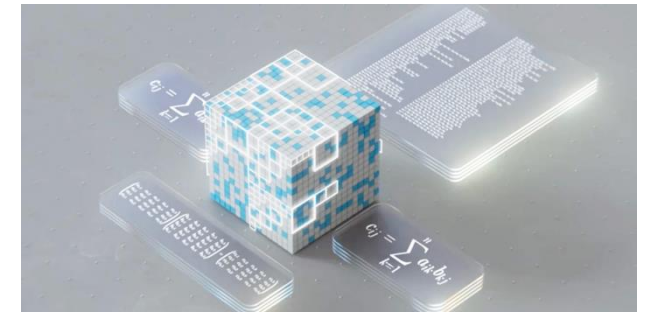
# Why are we so Euclidean?



Our school curricula  
are Euclidean

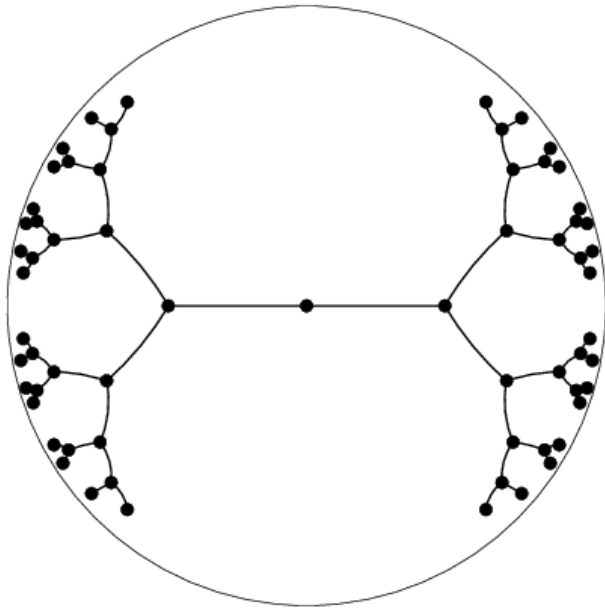


Our deep learning tools  
are Euclidean



Our computers are built  
for Euclidean space

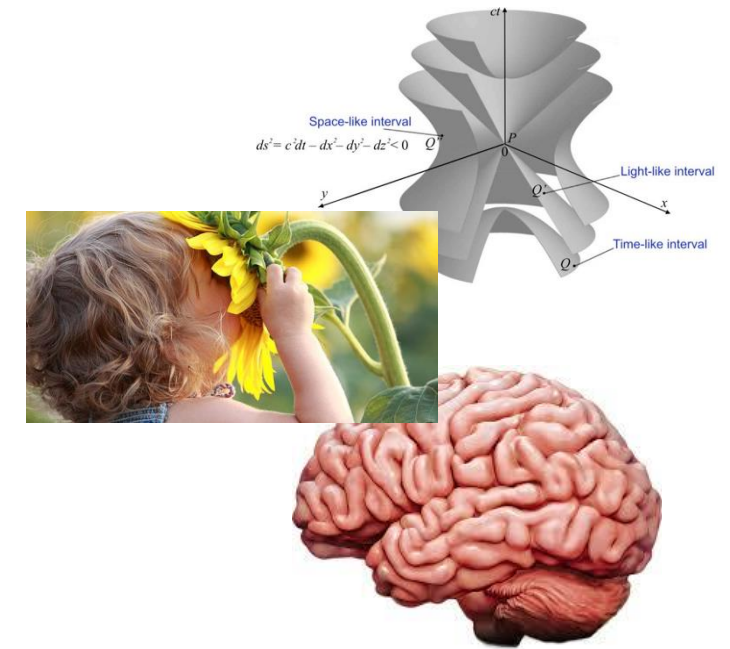
# But is Euclidean always the answer?



Euclidean is not hierarchical

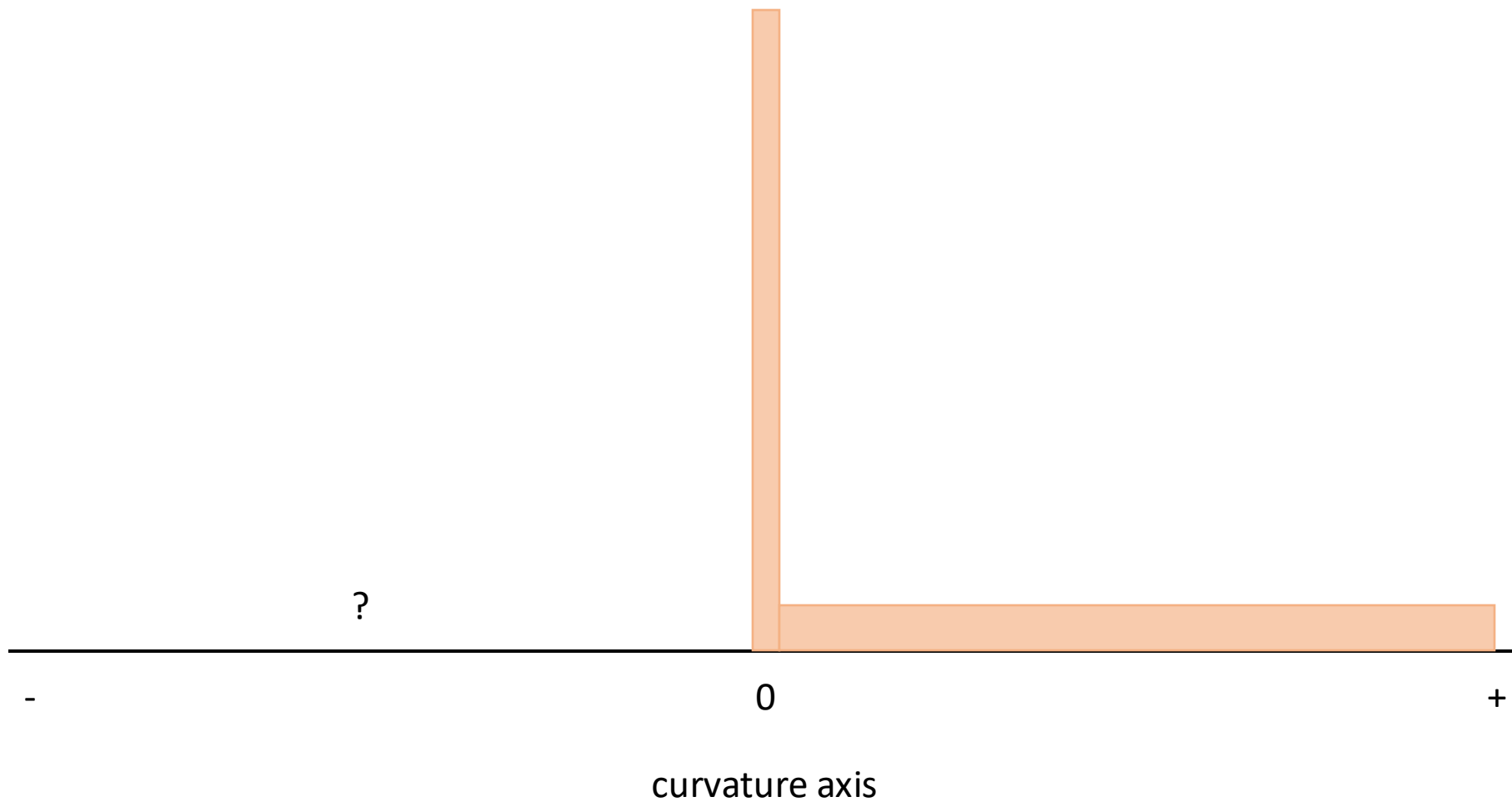


Euclidean is not compact



The world is not always Euclidean

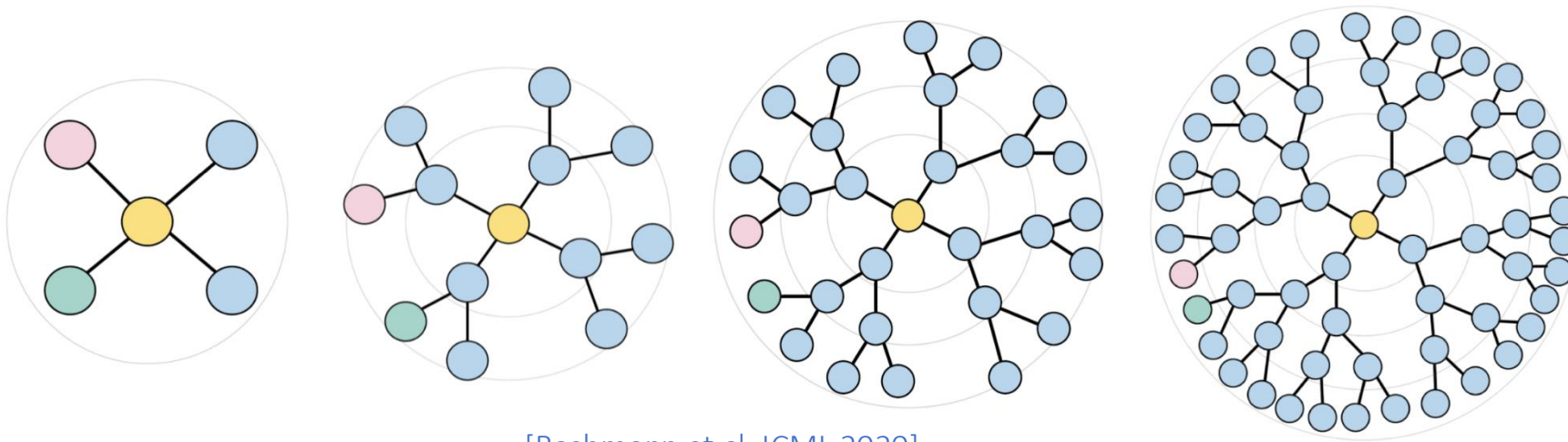
# The blindspots in deep learning research





# The geometry of hierarchies

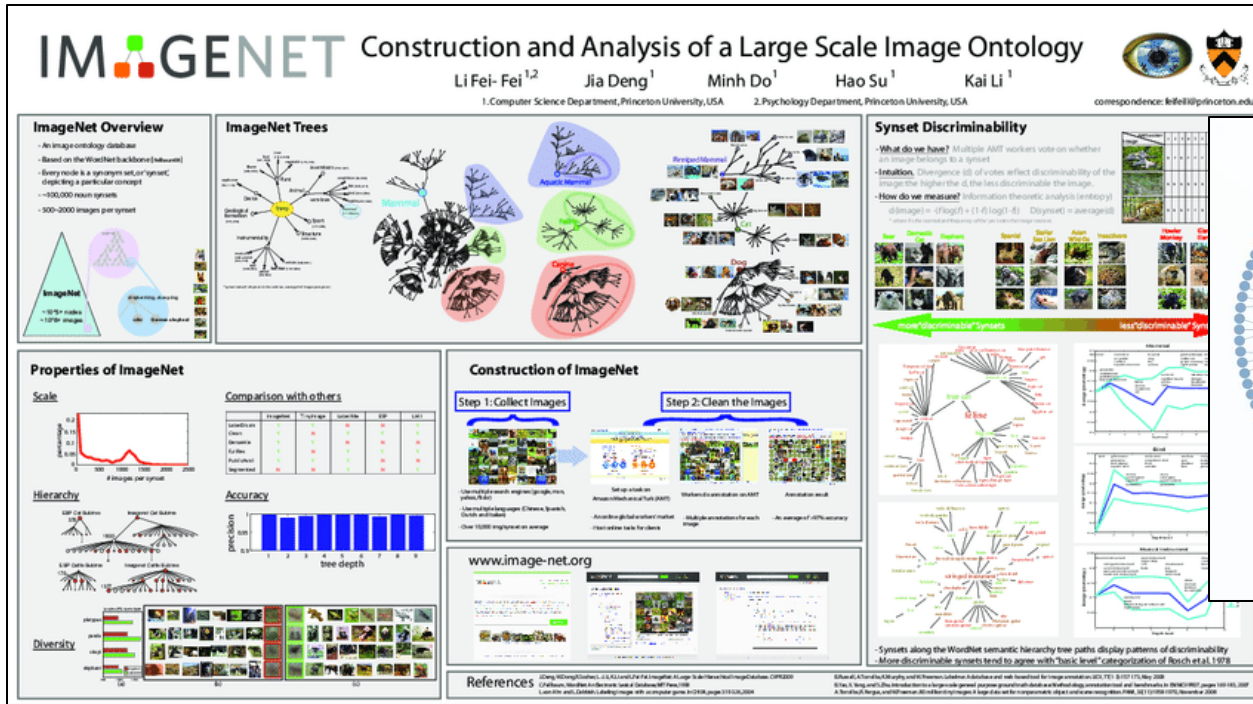
Euclidean space and hierarchies are a mismatch: linear vs. exponential growth.



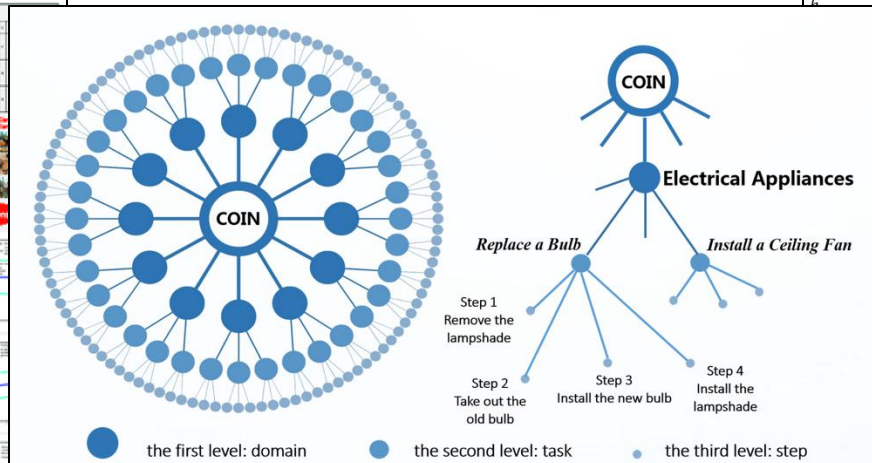
[Bachmann et al. ICML 2020]

What we need is a hierarchical geometry for representation learning!

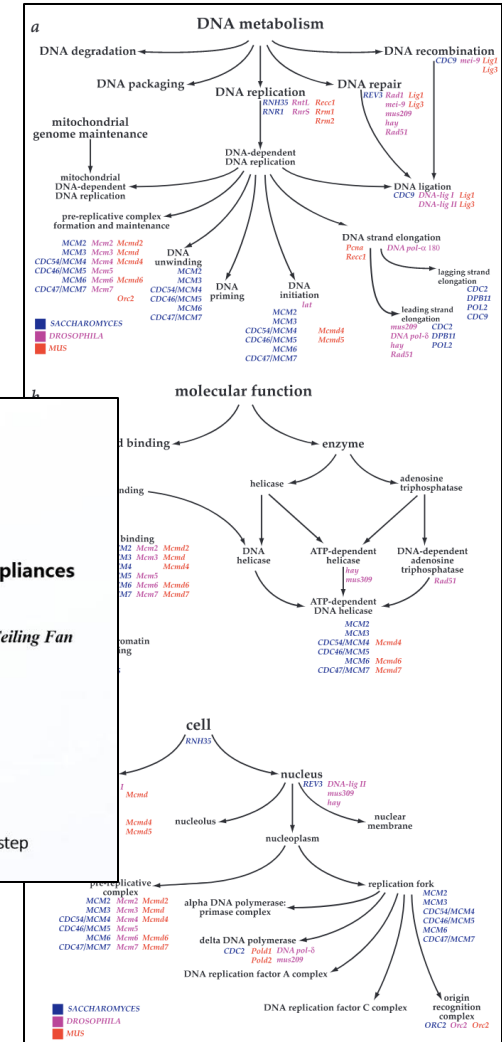
# The importance of hierarchies



[Li et al. 2009]



[Tang et al. CVPR 2019]



[Ashburner et al. Nature 2000]

Hierarchies allow us to look beyond samples and their individual labels.

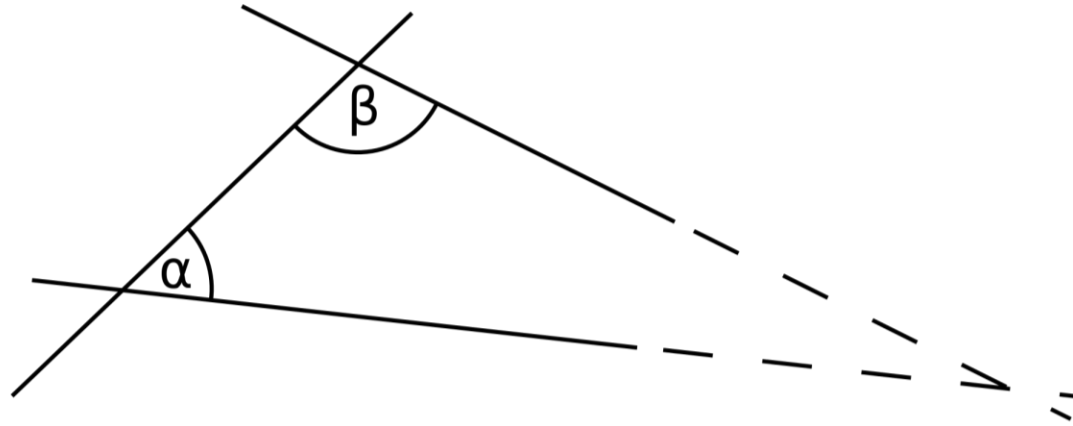
# Origins of hyperbolic geometry

Euclid's 5 postulates:

1. *A straight-line segment can be drawn joining any two points.*
2. *Any straight-line segment can be extended indefinitely in a straight line.*
3. *Given any straight lines segment, a circle can be drawn having the segment as radius and one endpoint as center.*
4. *All Right Angles are congruent.*
5. *If two lines are drawn which intersect a third in such a way that the sum of the inner angles on one side is less than two Right Angles, then the two lines inevitably must intersect each other on that side if extended far enough. This postulate is equivalent to what is known as the Parallel Postulate.*

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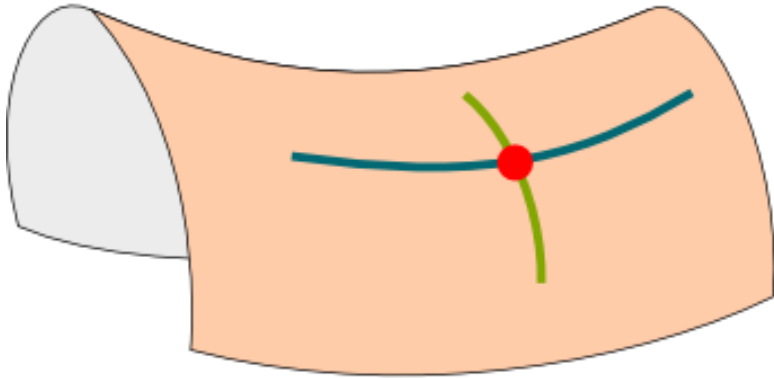
Euclid's 5th postulate:



Did Euclid make a mistake by making it a postulate? Shouldn't it be a theorem?

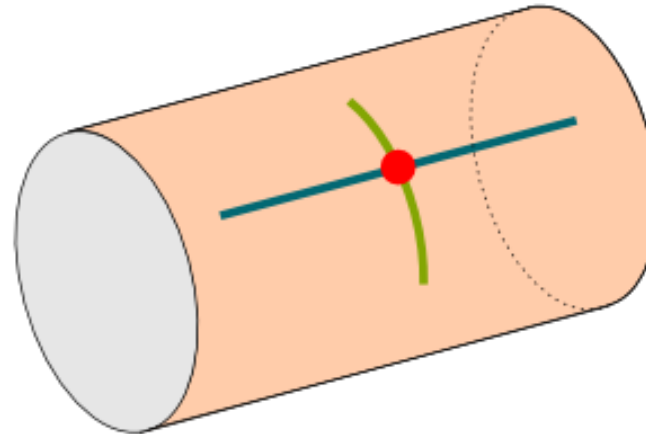
# The rise of non-Euclidean geometry

Extremal directions curve  
in opposite directions



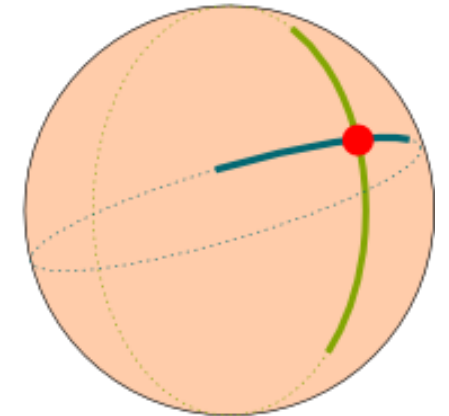
*Negative Curvature*

One extremal direction  
has zero curvature



*Zero Curvature*

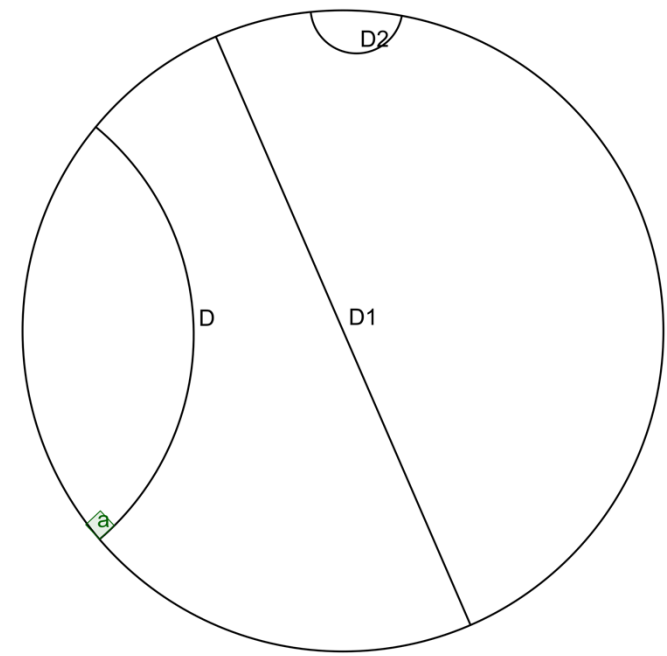
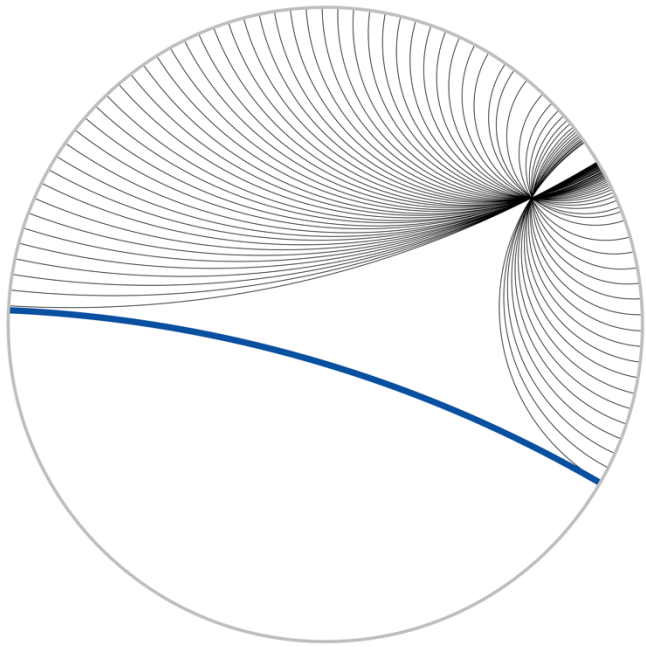
Extremal directions curve  
in the same directions



*Positive Curvature*



# Poincaré ball model



# Numerical operation in Poincaré model

Points inside unit ball

Tensor metric

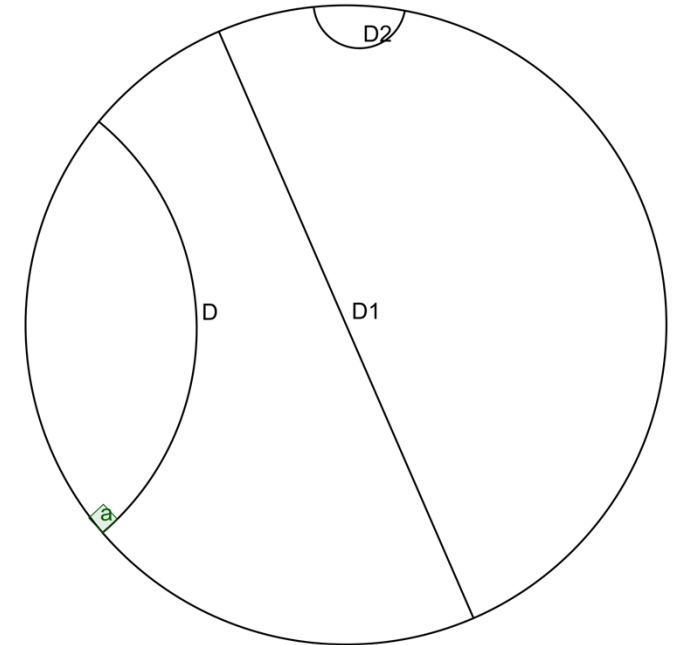
$$\mathbb{D}^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\| < 1\} \quad g_x^{\mathbb{D}} = \lambda_x^2 g^E, \quad \text{where } \lambda_x := \frac{2}{1 - \|x\|^2}$$

Distance between two points:

$$d_{\mathbb{D}}(x, y) = \cosh^{-1} \left( 1 + 2 \frac{\|x - y\|^2}{(1 - \|x\|^2)(1 - \|y\|^2)} \right)$$

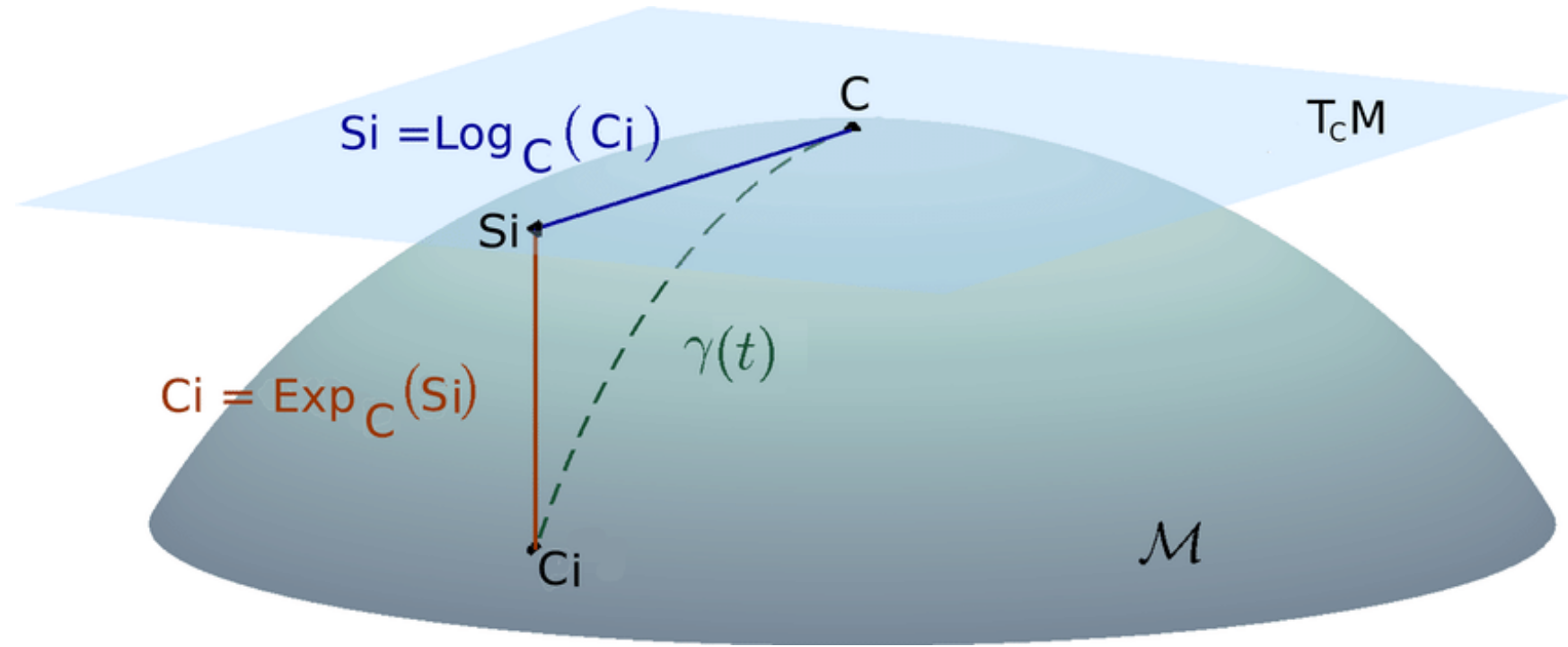
Möbius addition:

$$x \oplus_c y := \frac{(1 + 2c\langle x, y \rangle + c\|y\|^2)x + (1 - c\|x\|^2)y}{1 + 2c\langle x, y \rangle + c^2\|x\|^2\|y\|^2}.$$





# From tangent space to Poincaré ball (and back)



$$\exp_{\mathbf{0}}^c(v) = \tanh(\sqrt{c}\|v\|) \frac{v}{\sqrt{c}\|v\|}$$

$$\log_{\mathbf{0}}^c(y) = \tanh^{-1}(\sqrt{c}\|y\|) \frac{y}{\sqrt{c}\|y\|}$$



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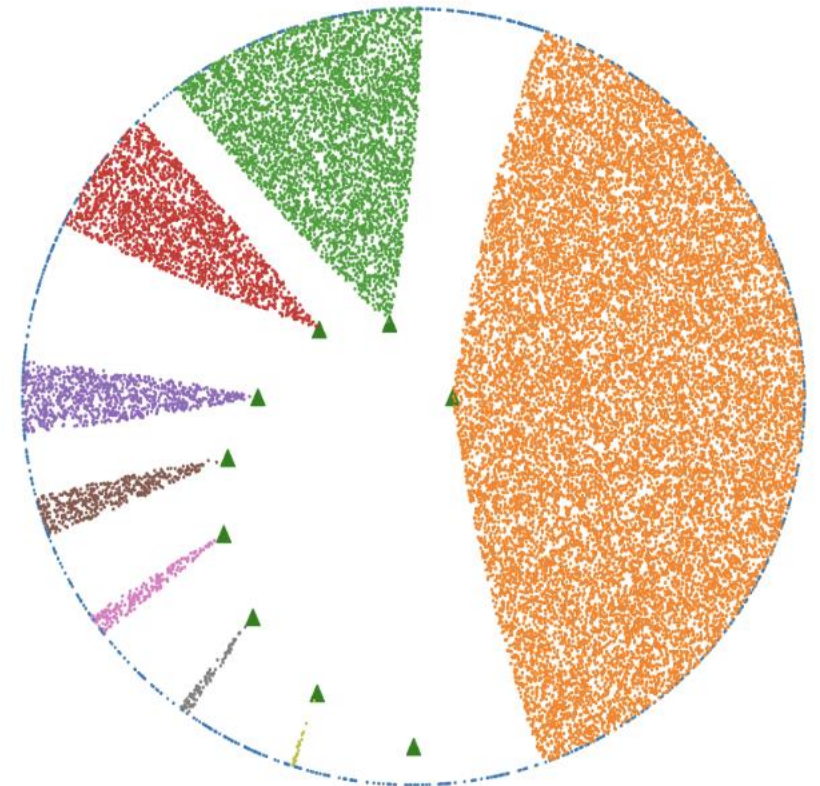
# Hyperbolic Entailment Cones

[Ganea et al. ICML 2018]

Pairwise contrastive learning has trouble enforcing hierarchical depth.  
They propose to view points as cones of entailment.

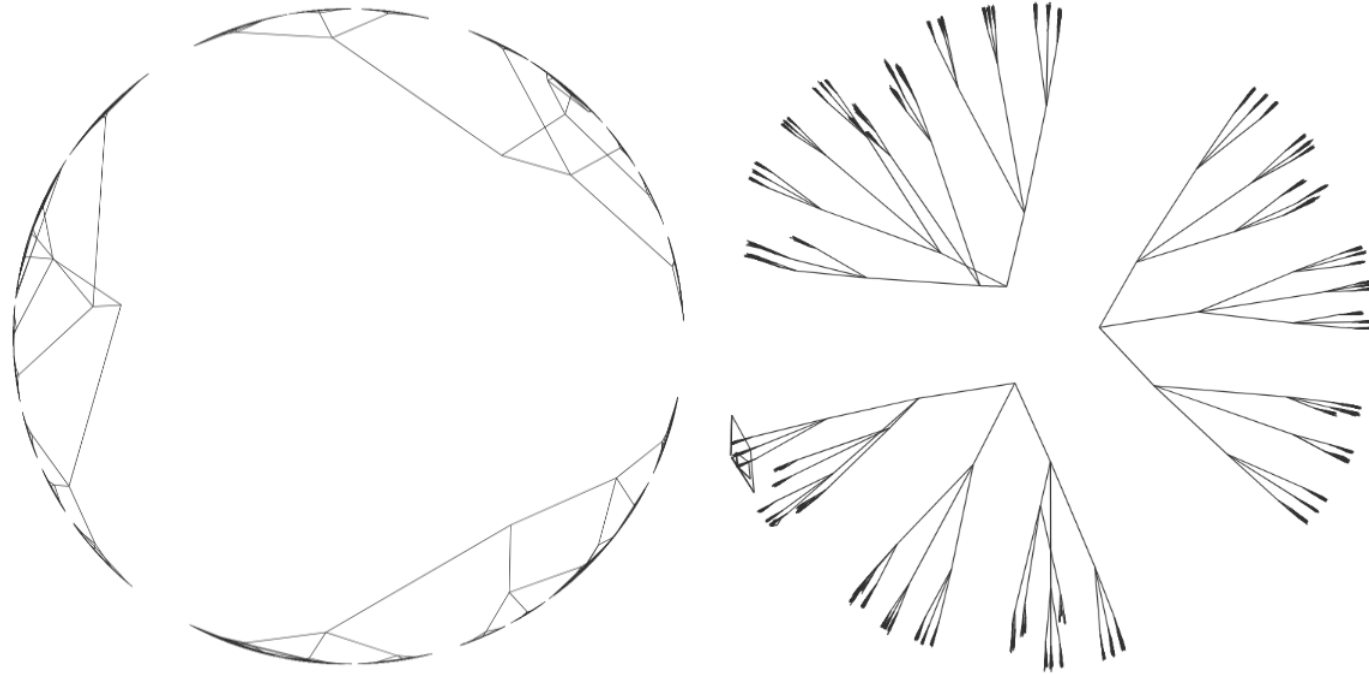
## Required properties:

1. Axial symmetry
2. Rotation invariance
3. Aperture of cone is continuous function
4. Nested angular cones preserve partial order



# Hyperbolic Entailment Cones

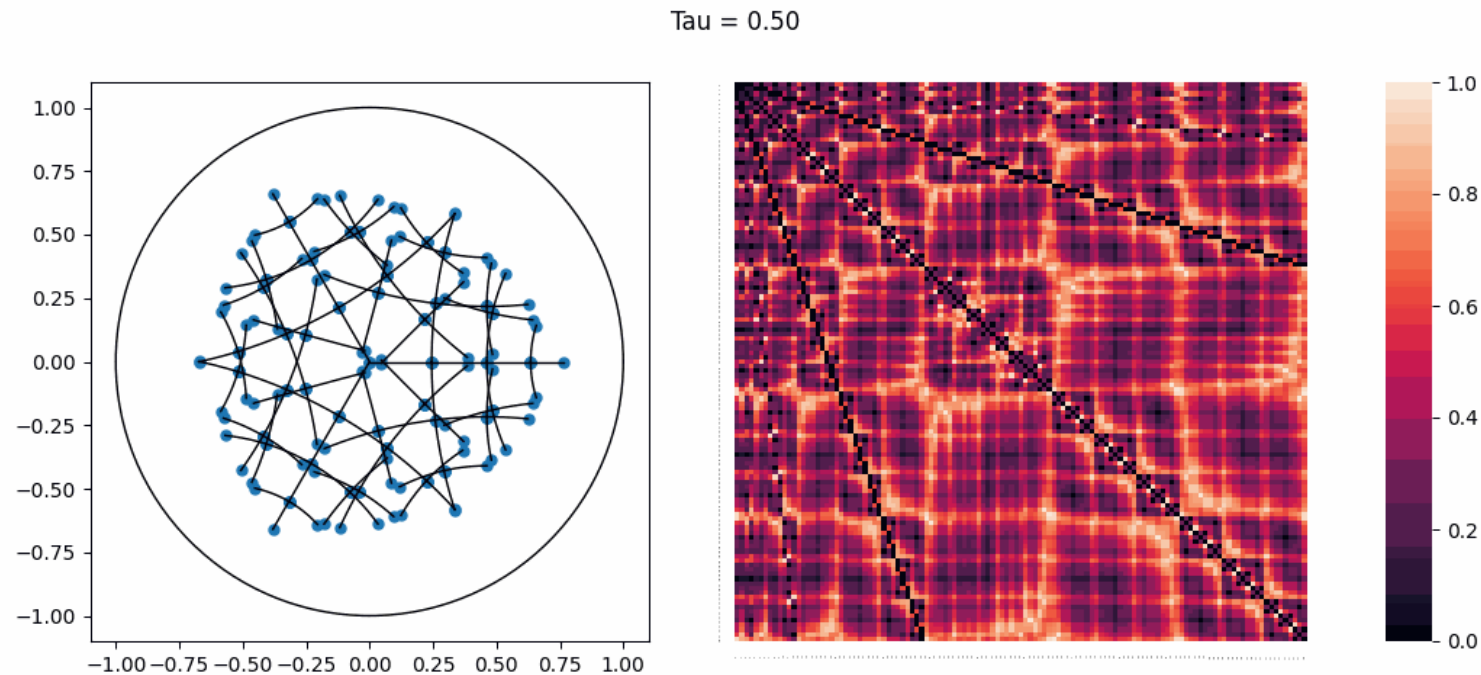
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Poincaré Embeddings (left) vs Hyperbolic Entailment Cones (right)

# Closed-form Embeddings

[Sarkar et al. 2012]



In 2D, it is possible to embed hierarchies through uniform spreading and projections.

No direct higher-dimensional generalization feasible, only approximate solutions.



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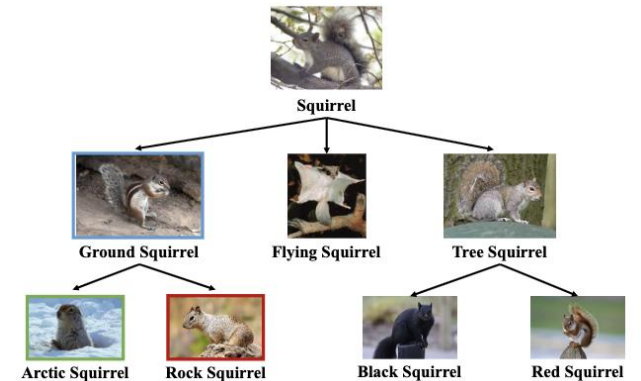
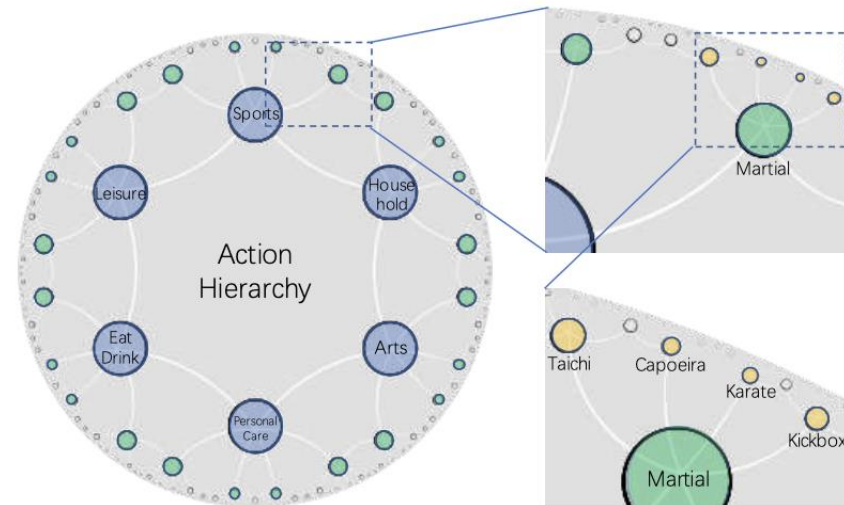
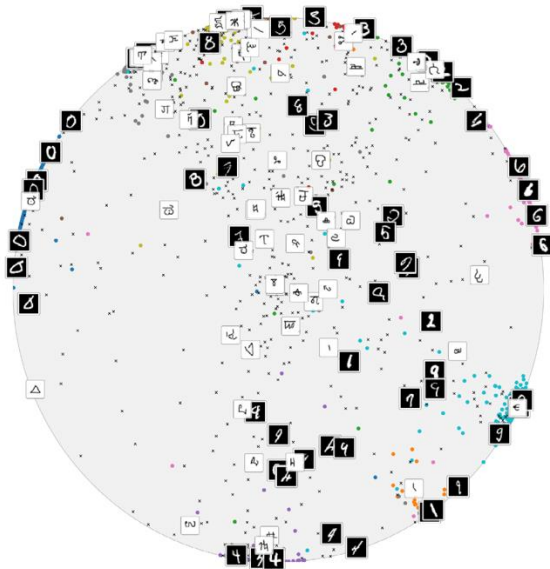
# Hyperbolic embeddings for vision

[Liu et al, Long et al., Khrulkov et al. CVPR 2020]

CVPR 2020

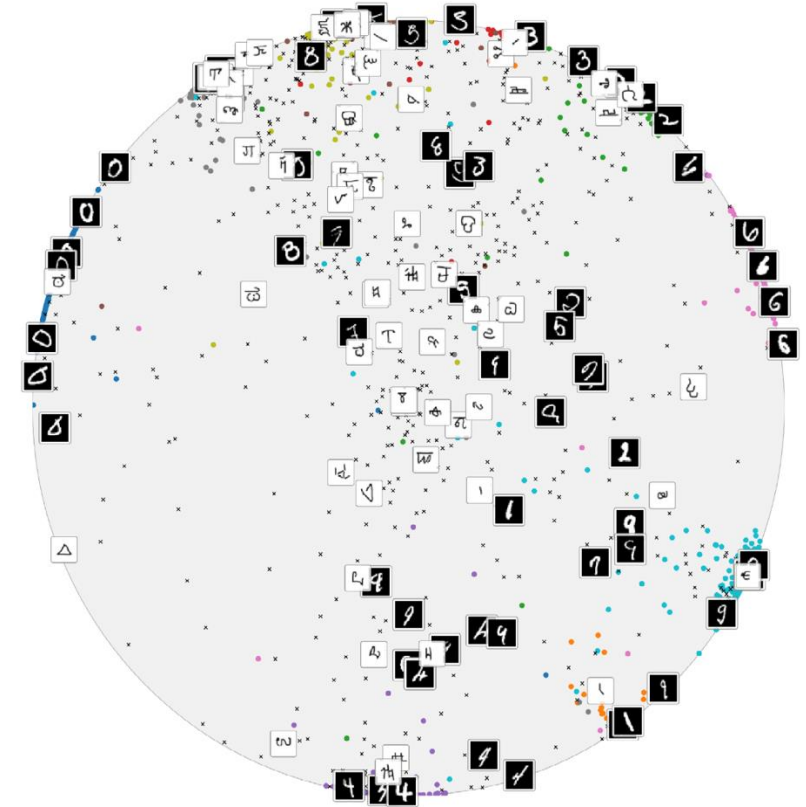
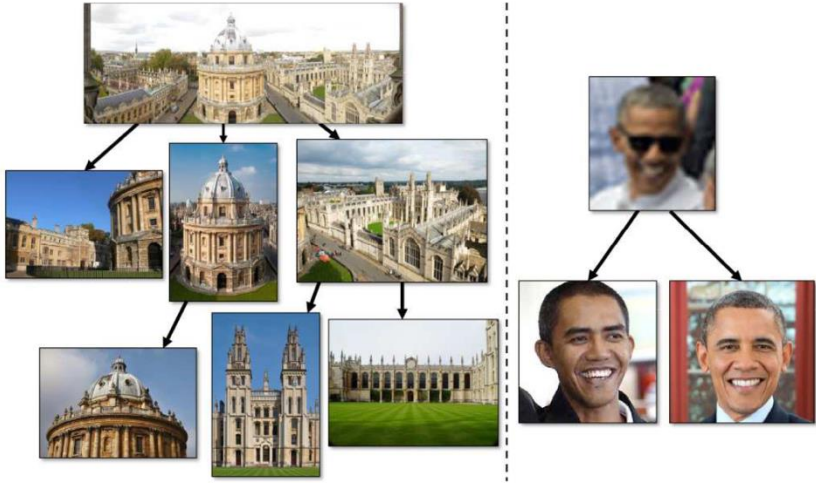
Three papers with the exact same question:

*What happens when we place hyperbolic embeddings on top of deep networks?*



# Hyperbolic Image Embeddings

[Khruikov et al. CVPR 2020]

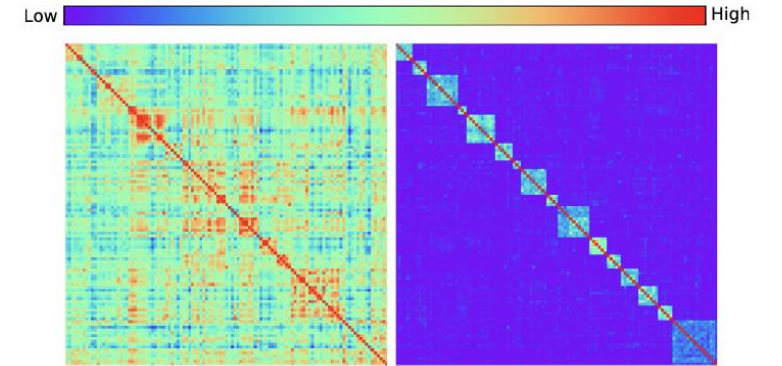
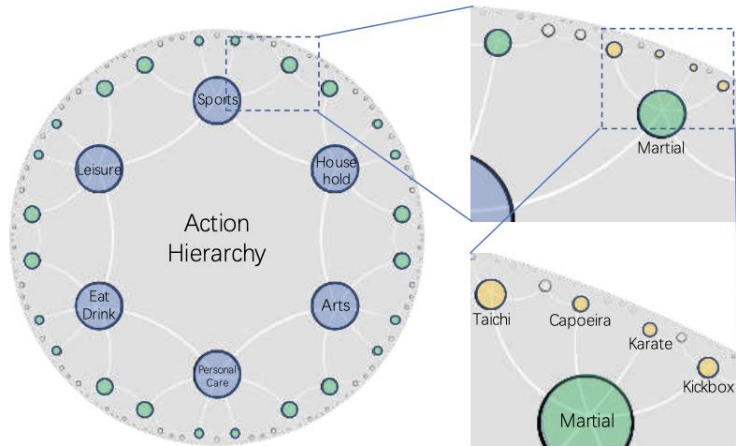


Encoder	Dataset			
	CIFAR10	CIFAR100	CUB	MiniImageNet
Inception v3 [49]	0.25	0.23	0.23	0.21
ResNet34 [14]	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.21
VGG19 [42]	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.17

Images are naturally hierarchical, hyperbolic embeddings improve few-shot learning.

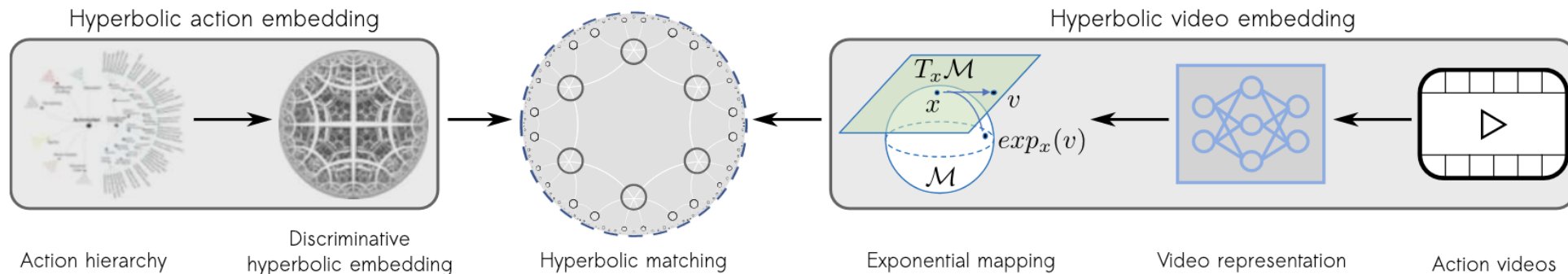
# Hyperbolic actions

[Long et al., CVPR 2020]



(a) One-hot.

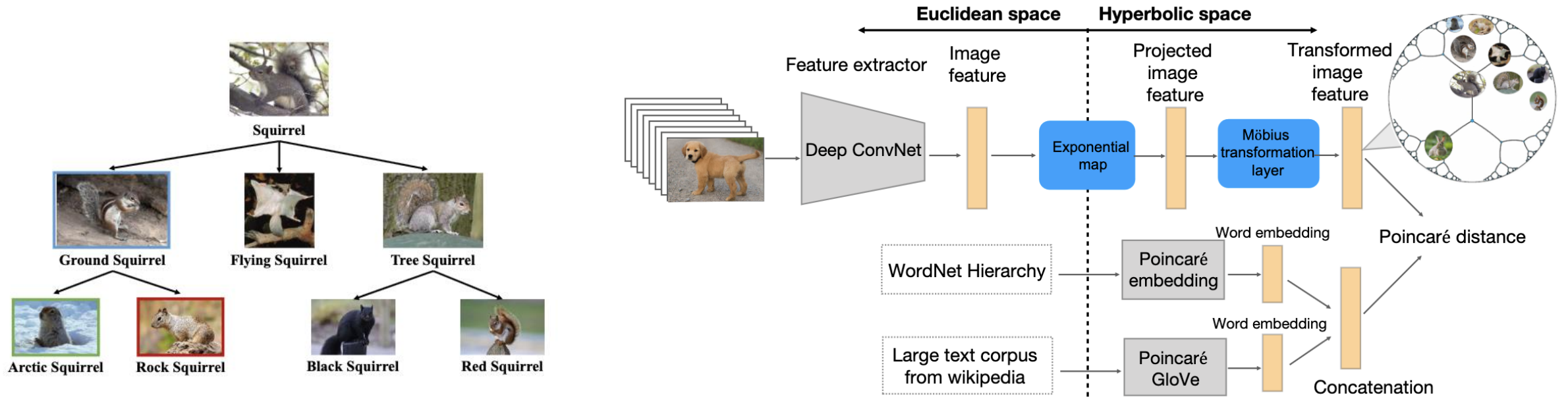
(b) Hyperbolic (*ours*).



Videos are naturally hierarchical, hyperbolic embeddings improve action recognition.

# Hyperbolic zero-shot learning

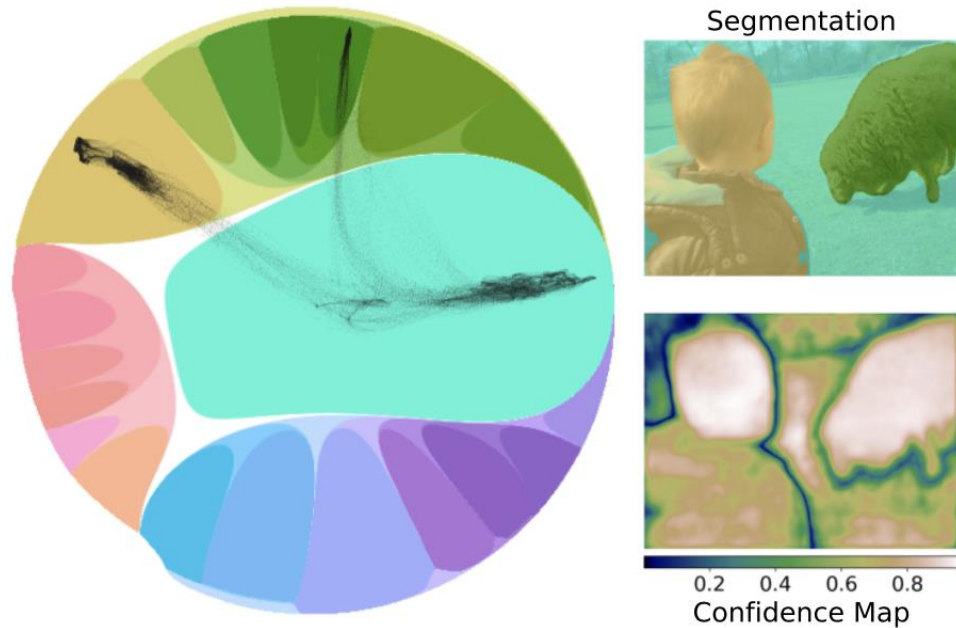
[Liu et al. CVPR 2020]



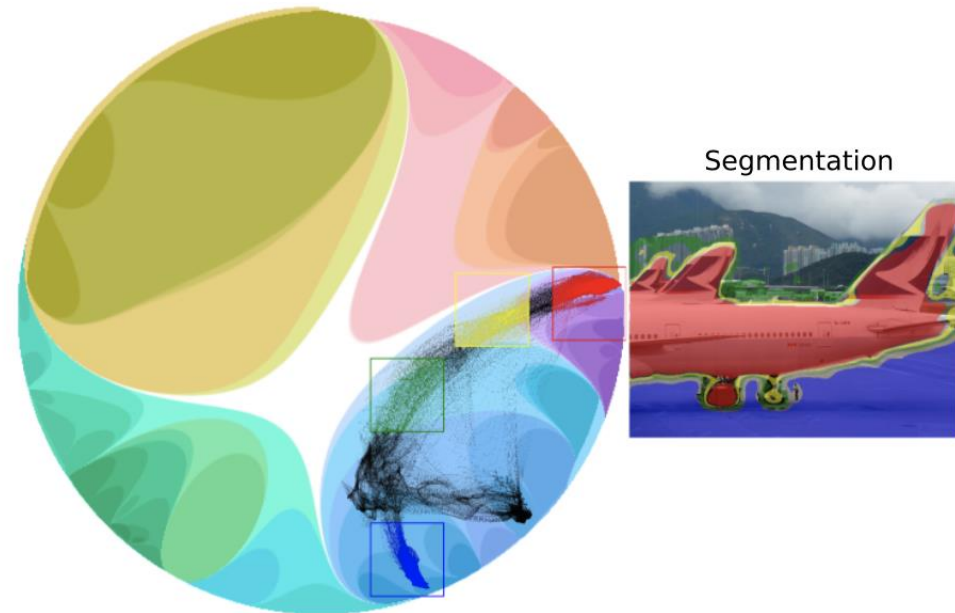
Semantics is naturally hierarchical, hyperbolic embeddings improve zero-shot recognition.

# Hyperbolic Image Segmentation

[Ghadimi Atigh et al. CVPR 2022]



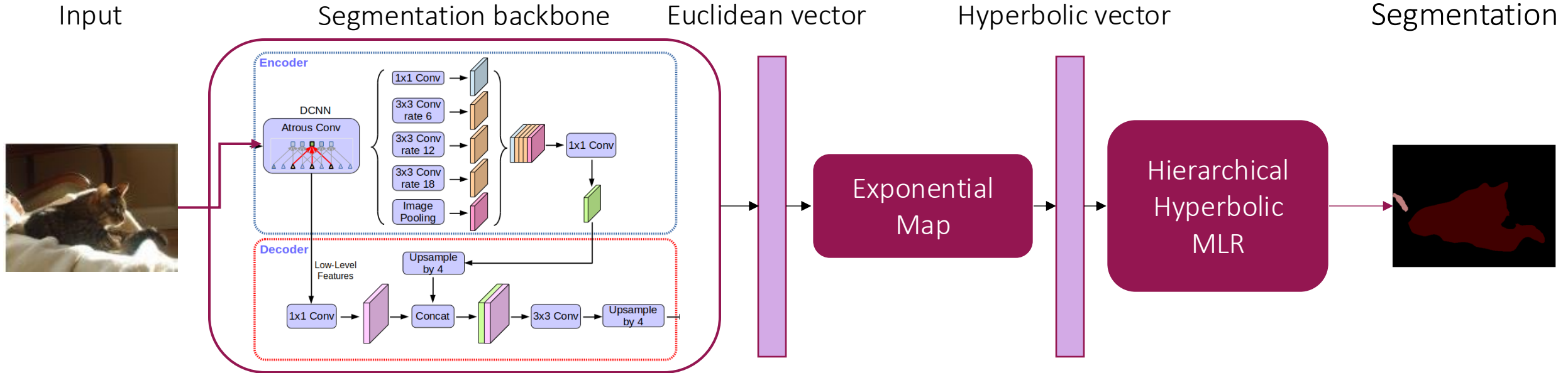
(a) Prediction uncertainty for free



(b) Boundary information for free

What happens when the final pixel classification is done in hyperbolic space?

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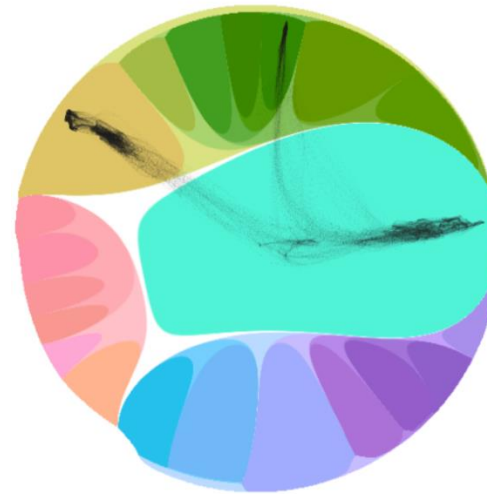
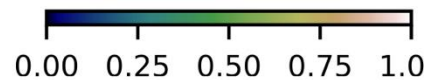
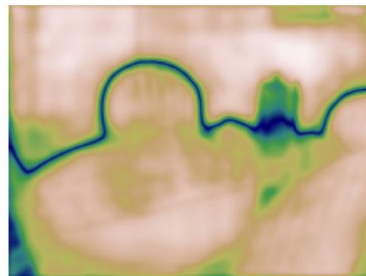
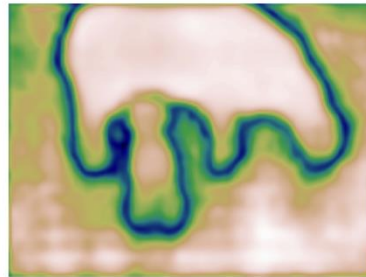
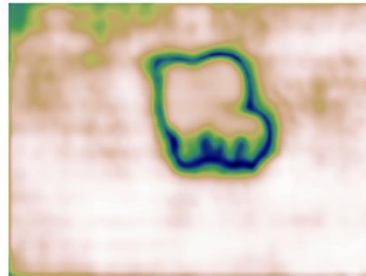


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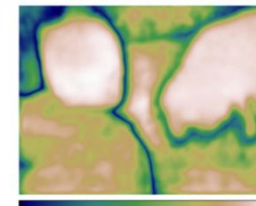
Hyperbolic Segmentation



Hyperbolic Uncertainty  
1 pass



Segmentation



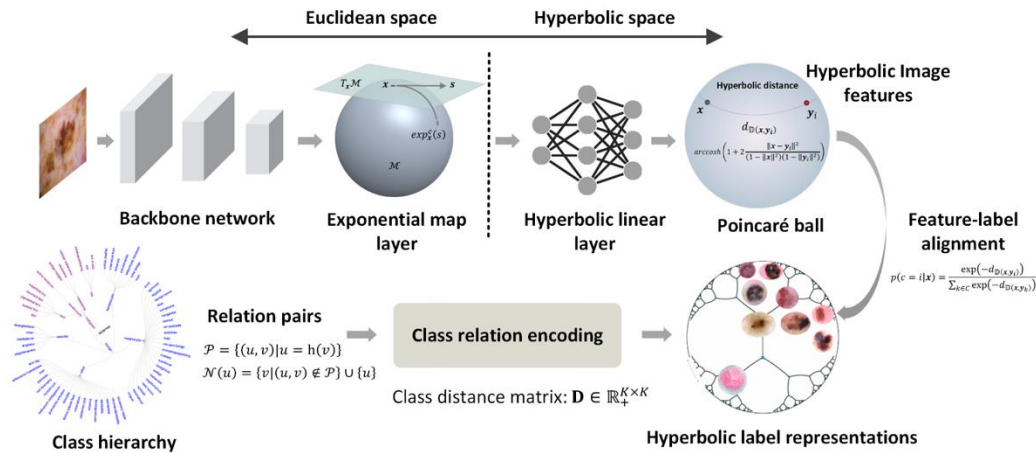
Confidence Map

COCO-Stuff-10k				
Manifold	Hierarchical	Class Acc	Pixel Acc	mIOU
$\mathbb{R}$		0.44	0.33	0.23
$\mathbb{R}$	✓	3.29	48.65	18.53
$\mathbb{D}$	✓	<b>3.46</b>	<b>51.70</b>	<b>21.15</b>

Pascal VOC				
Manifold	Hierarchical	Class Acc	Pixel Acc	mIOU
$\mathbb{R}$		4.88	10.84	2.59
$\mathbb{R}$	✓	7.80	31.04	16.15
$\mathbb{D}$	✓	<b>12.15</b>	<b>47.92</b>	<b>34.87</b>



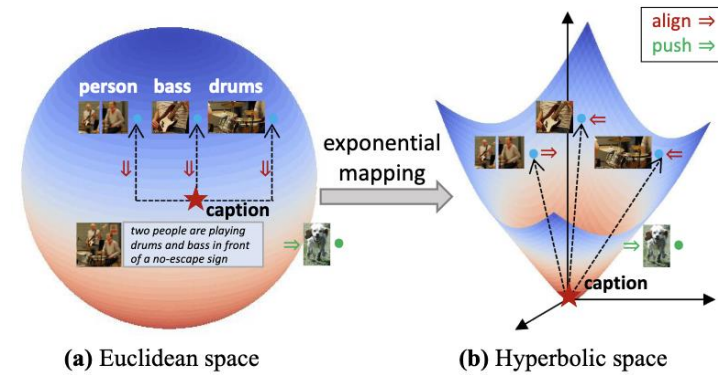
# Too many hyperbolic vision papers to mention



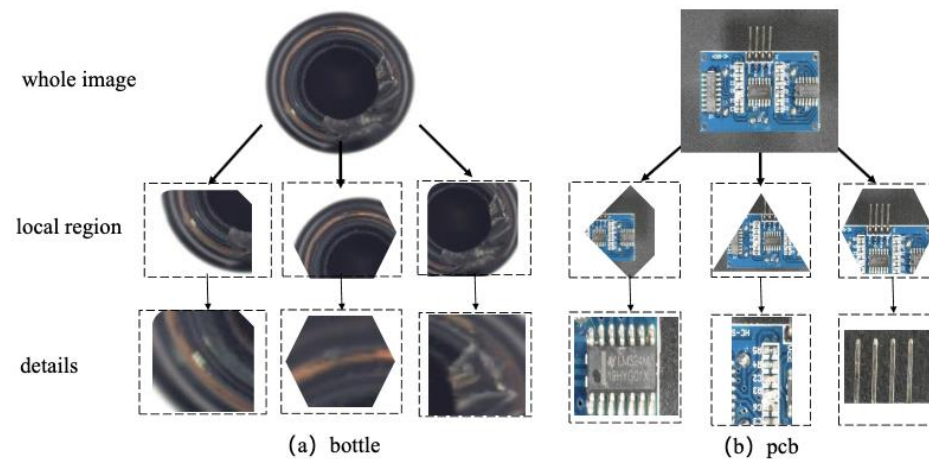
[Yu et al. MICCAI 2022]



[Ge et al. CVPR 2023]



[Kong et al. CVPR 2024]



[Li et al. CVPR 2024]

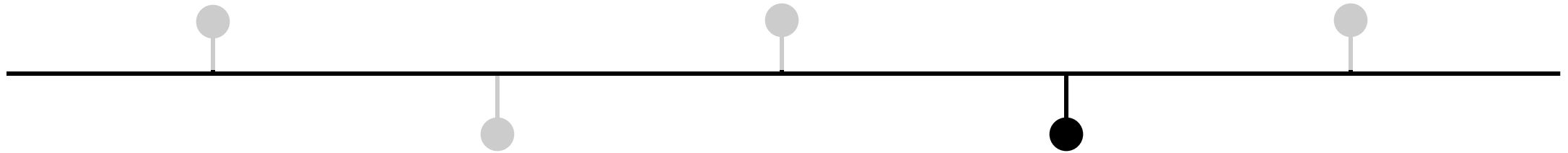
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# Hyperbolic vision-language models

[Desai et al. ICML 2023]

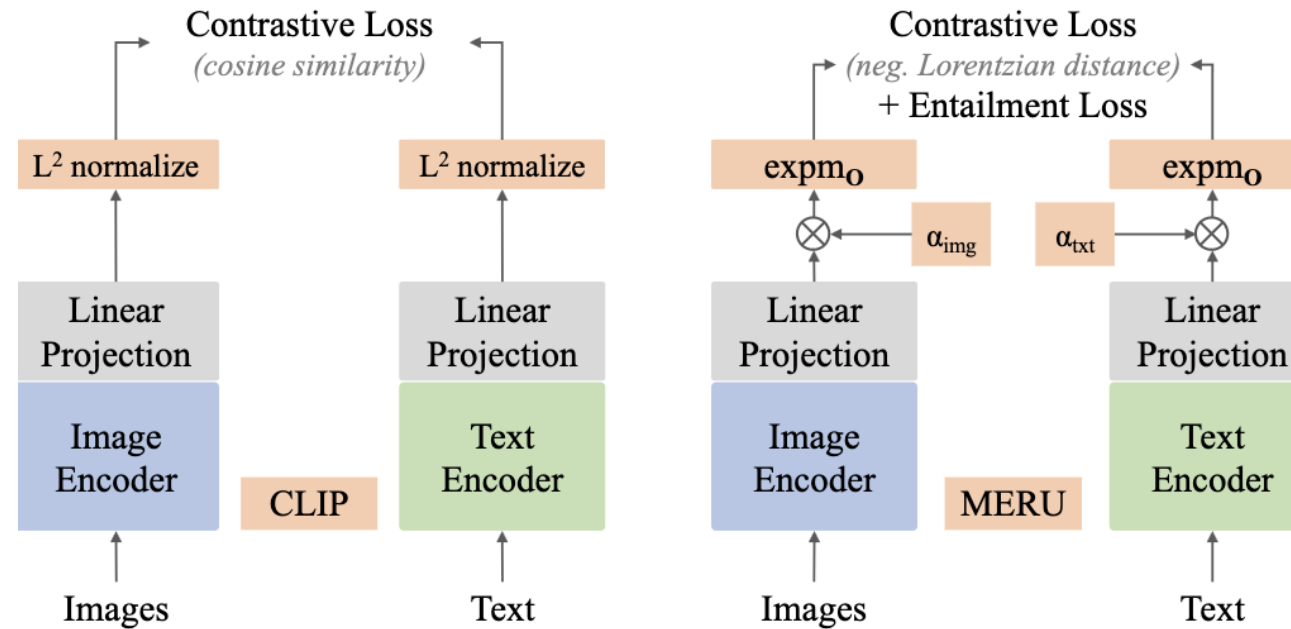
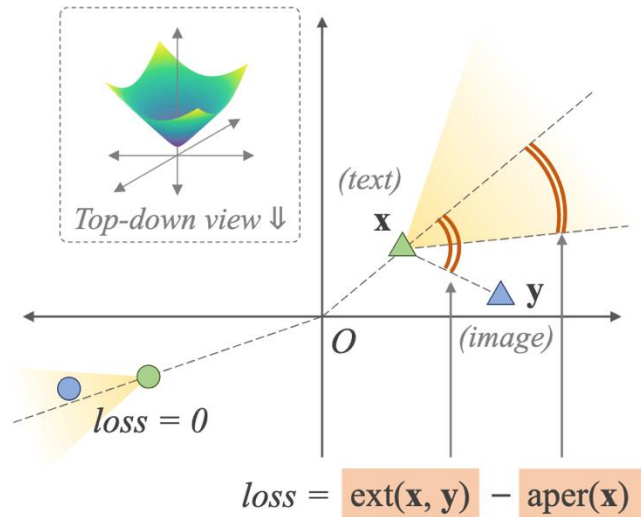


Image-text representation learning wants to collapse image and text embeddings.

# Hyperbolic vision-language models

Intuitively, image and text embeddings are unequal!



Hyperbolic entailments allow to model this imbalance and learn the hierarchical nature of image-text representations.

# Vision-language models and compositions

[under submission]



Apple cider cocktail infused with **fresh herbs**



**Fresh herbs** used to cook



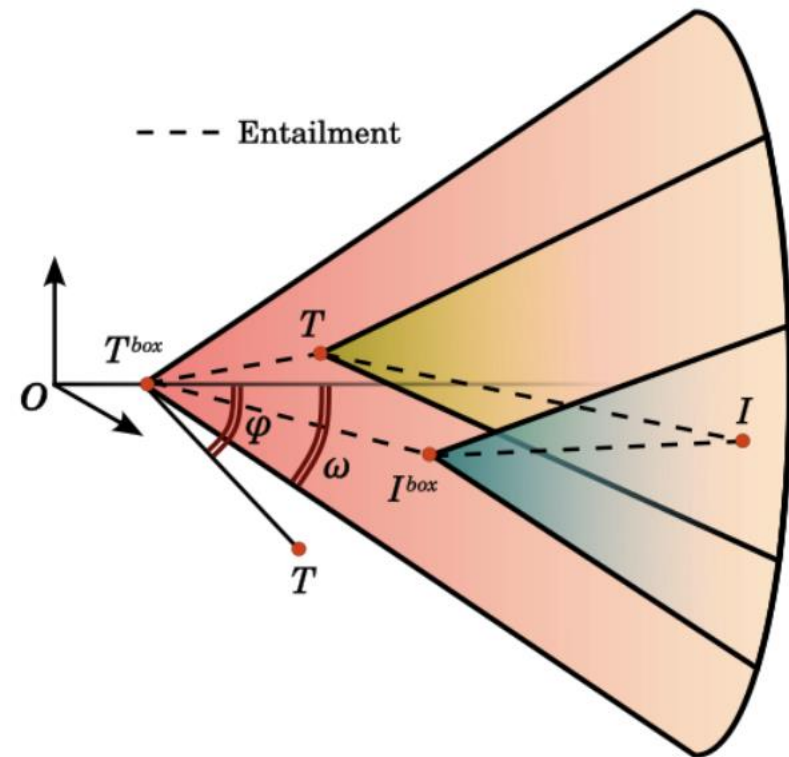
Mineral water with **fresh herbs** in a glass carafe on a garden table

Image,  $I$

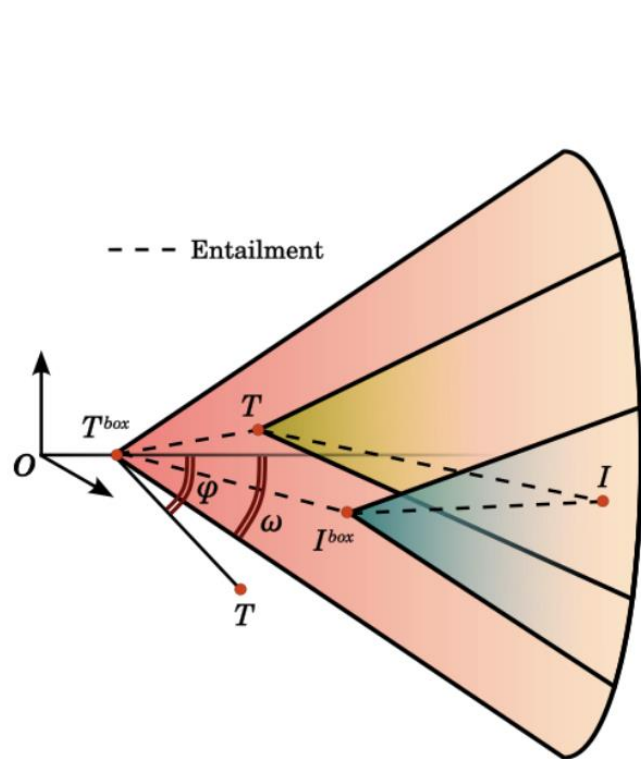
Image Local box,  $I^{box}$

Text,  $T$

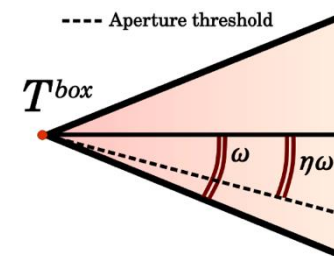
Text of Local box,  $T^{box}$



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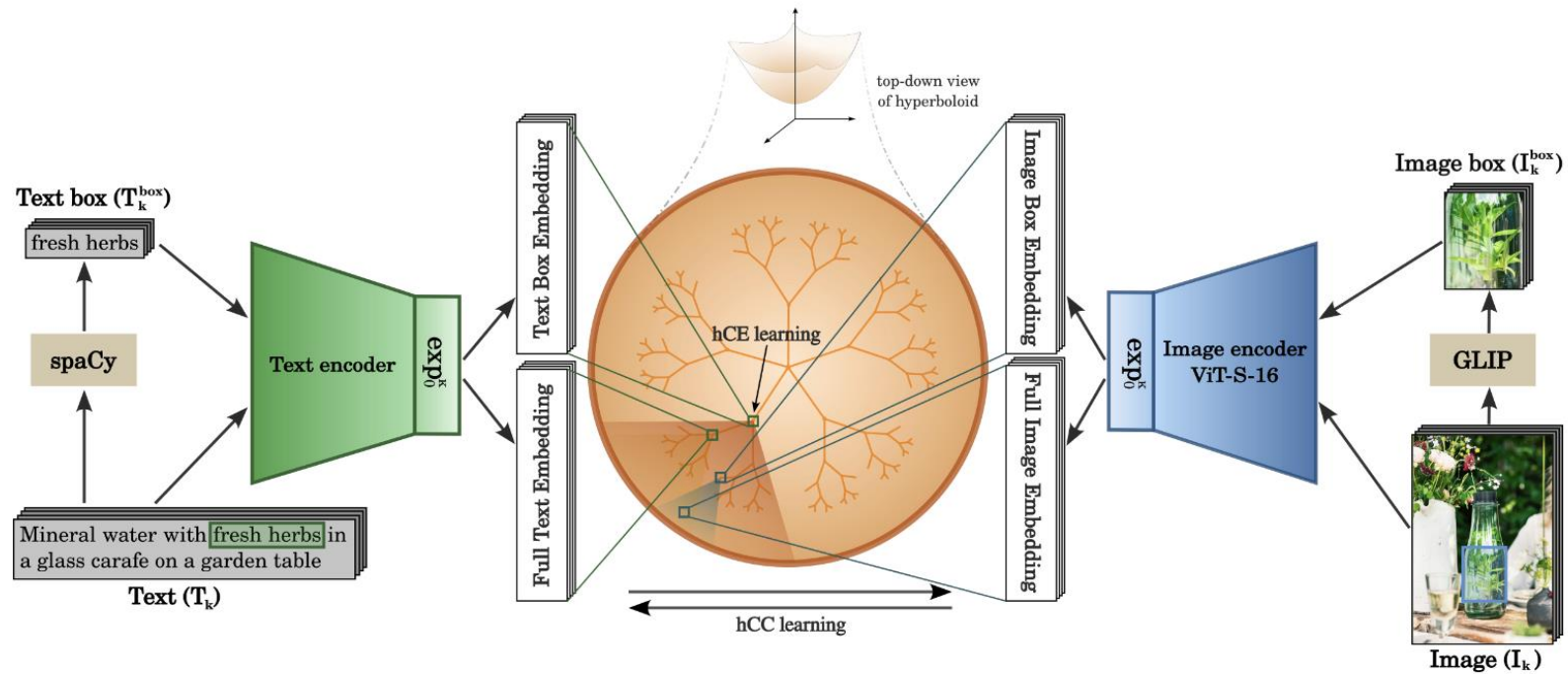


$$L_{entail}^*(p, q) = \max(0, \phi(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) - \eta\omega(\mathbf{q})).$$






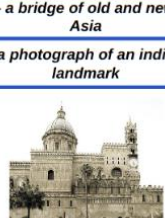

$$\begin{aligned}
 hCE(I, T, I^{box}, T^{box}) = & \underbrace{L_{entail}^*(I^{box}, T^{box}) + L_{entail}^*(I, T)}_{\text{inter-modality entailment}} \\
 & + \underbrace{L_{entail}^*(I, I^{box}) + L_{entail}^*(T, T^{box})}_{\text{intra-modality entailment}}.
 \end{aligned}$$


# Multi-modal network



**SOURCE IMAGE**

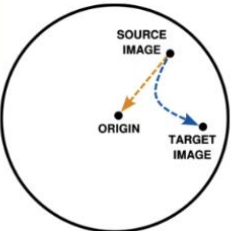


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**TARGET IMAGE**

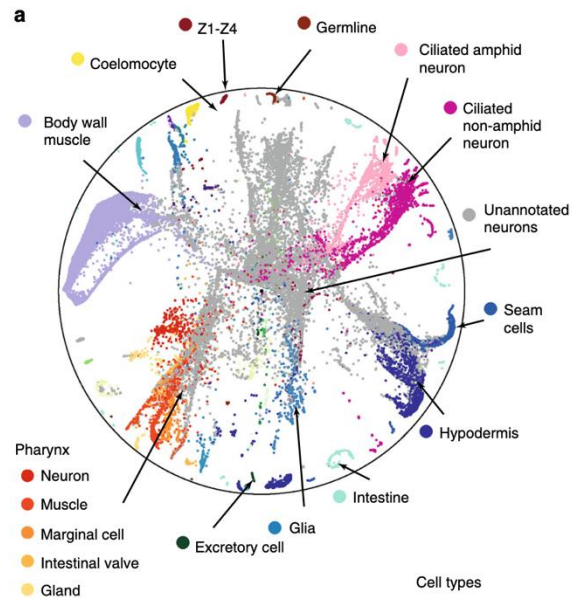
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ORIGIN      TARGET IMAGE

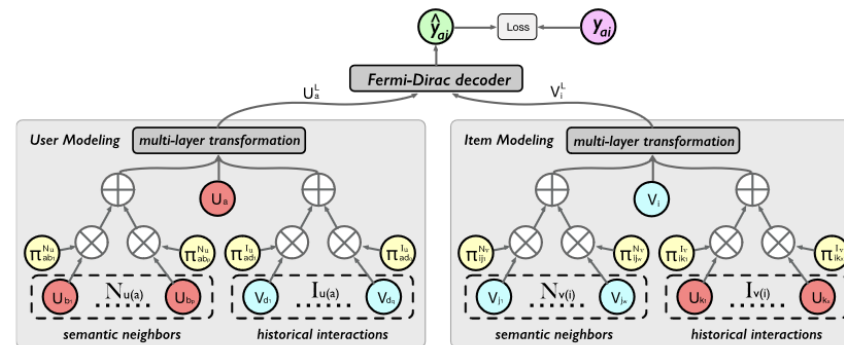
# Hyperbolic embeddings for other data types

[Klimovskaia et al. Nature Comm. 2020]



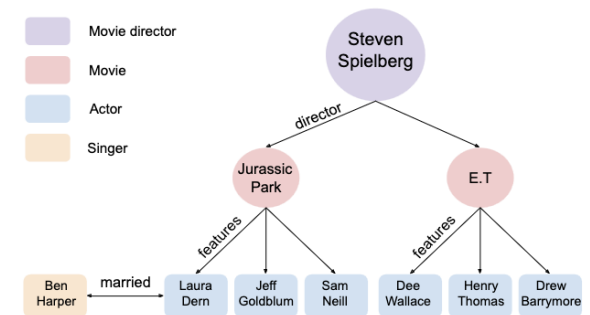
Hyperbolic embeddings of single-cell data.

[Li et al. TKDD 2023]



Hyperbolic recommender systems

[Chami et al. 2020]



Hyperbolic knowledge graphs

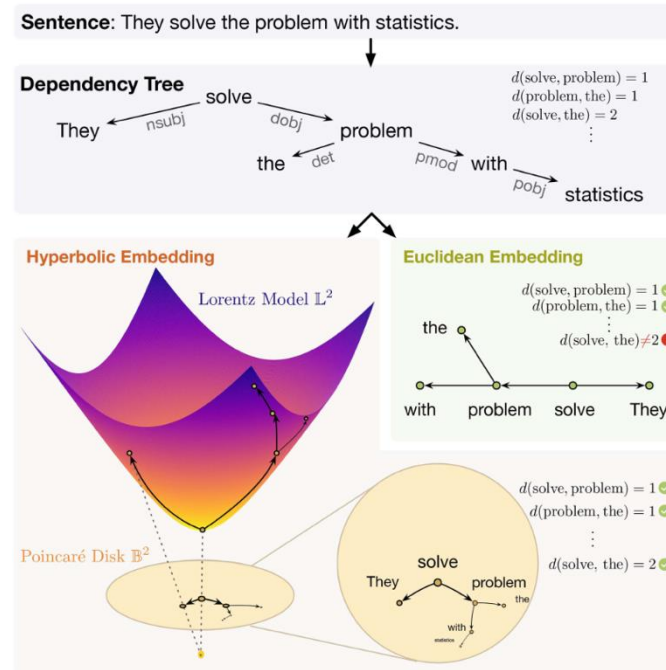
And for text, music, 3D skeletons, phylogenetic placement, social networks, clustering...



# Hyperbolic large language models?

[Chen et al. TASLP 2024]

Large language models are Euclidean, but should they be?



Very recent work is making the first step, but no big companies dare to make the step (yet?).

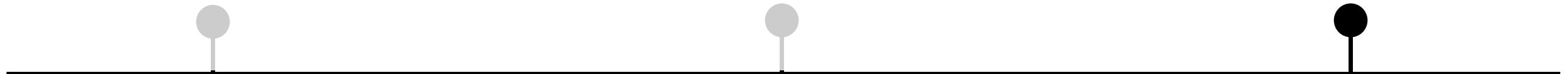
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# The big potential of hyperbolic learning

- Hierarchical learning**      model the hierarchies of semantics and data.
- Robust learning**      handle new distributions and adversarial samples.
- Low-dimensional learning**      hyperbolic space is dense, allowing for smaller networks.
- Brain-like networks**      brains are likely hyperbolic, big links with neuroscience

[Zhang et al. Nature Communications 2022](#)

# The grand challenges of hyperbolic learning

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| <b>Fully hyperbolic learning</b> | which hyperbolic model is best? and how to optimize?     |
| <b>Computational challenges</b>  | numerical stability and speed of computation.            |
| <b>Open source community</b>     | where is hyperbolic PyTorch?                             |
| <b>Learning at scale</b>         | we need an ImageNet/CLIP moment for hyperbolic learning. |

# Unexplored territories

Hyperbolic transformers

Hyperspectral data

Brain is hyperbolic?

Numerical stability

Hyperbolic ChatGPT

Optimization

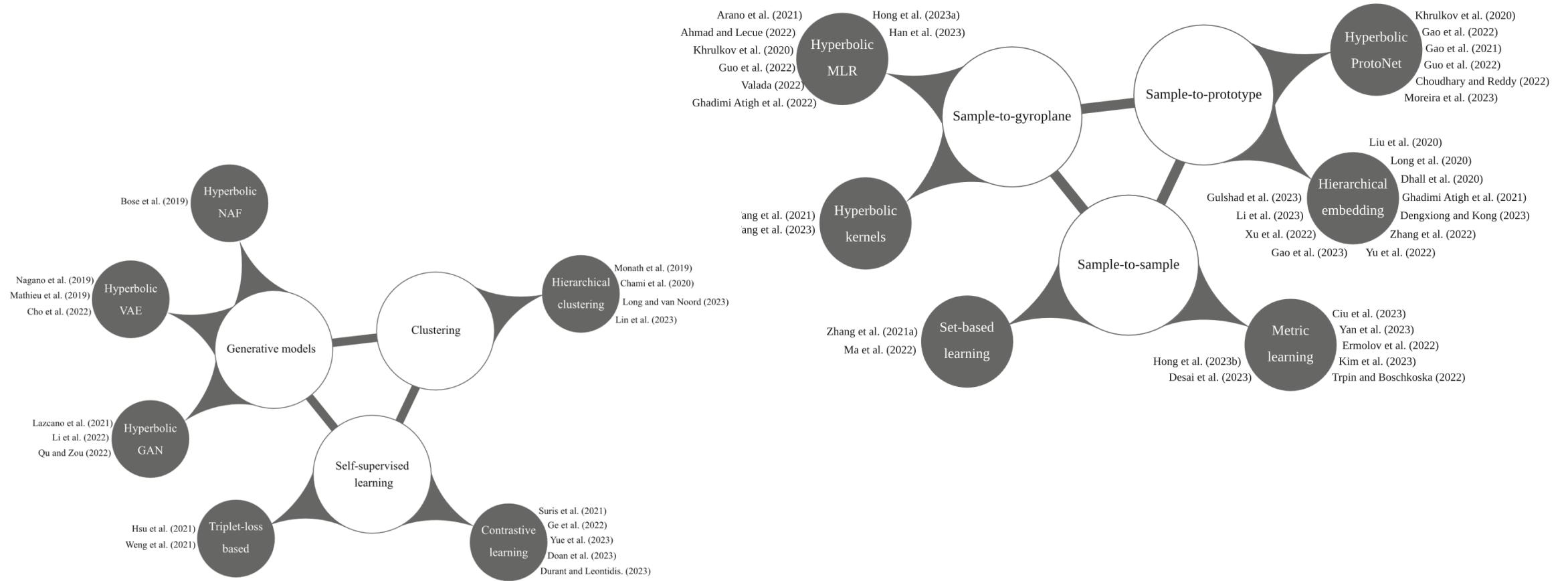
Hyperbolic diffusion models

Which hyperbolic model is best?

# Where to start?

Pascal Mettes, Mina Ghadimi, Martin Keller-Ressel, Jeffrey Gu, Serena Yeung. IJCV 2024

*Hyperbolic Deep Learning in Computer Vision: A Survey*





# Where to start?

Max van Spengler, Philipp Wirth, Pascal Mettes. ACM MM 2024

*HypLL: The Hyperbolic Learning Library*

```
import hypll.nn as hnn
from hypll.manifolds.poincare_ball import (
    Curvature, PoincareBall
)

ball = PoincareBall(Curvature(1.0))
class HNet(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.conv1 = hnn.HConvolution2d(3, 6, 5, ball)
        self.pool = hnn.HMaxPool2d(2, ball, 2)
        self.conv2 = hnn.HConvolution2d(6, 16, 5, ball)
        self.fc1 = hnn.HLinear(16 * 5 * 5, 120, ball)
        self.fc2 = hnn.HLinear(120, 84, ball)
        self.fc3 = hnn.HLinear(84, 10, ball)
        self.relu = hnn.HReLU(ball)

    def forward(self, x):
        x = self.pool(self.relu(self.conv1(x)))
        x = self.pool(self.relu(self.conv2(x)))
        x = x.flatten(1)
        x = self.relu(self.fc1(x))
        x = self.relu(self.fc2(x))
        x = self.fc3(x)
        return x
```

```
import torch.nn as nn

class Net(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.conv1 = nn.Conv2d(3, 6, 5)
        self.pool = nn.MaxPool2d(2, 2)
        self.conv2 = nn.Conv2d(6, 16, 5)
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(16 * 5 * 5, 120)
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(120, 84)
        self.fc3 = nn.Linear(84, 10)
        self.relu = nn.ReLU()

    def forward(self, x):
        x = self.pool(self.relu(self.conv1(x)))
        x = self.pool(self.relu(self.conv2(x)))
        x = x.flatten(1)
        x = self.relu(self.fc1(x))
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        x = self.fc3(x)
        return x
```

[https://github.com/maxvanspengler/hyperbolic\\_learning\\_library](https://github.com/maxvanspengler/hyperbolic_learning_library)

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```
from hypll.tensors import TangentTensor

for data in trainloader:
    inputs, labels = data

    tangents = TangentTensor(
        inputs, man_dim=1, manifold=ball
    )
    inputs_on_ball = ball.expmap(tangents)

    outputs = hnet(inputs_on_ball)
```

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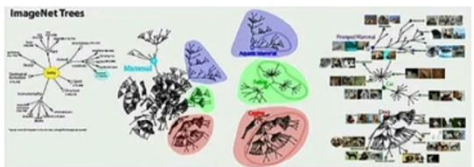
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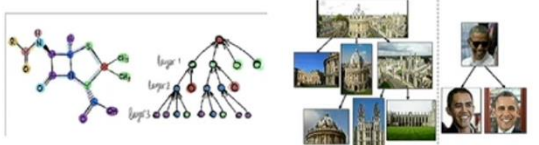
Why should you care about hyperbolic deep learning

Hyperbolic geometry is the natural geometry of hierarchies.

ImageNet Trees





Hierarchical knowledge



Hierarchical data

In vision and deep learning our data and knowledge is commonly hierarchical.



<https://www.youtube.com/@hyperboliclearningforcv/playlists>