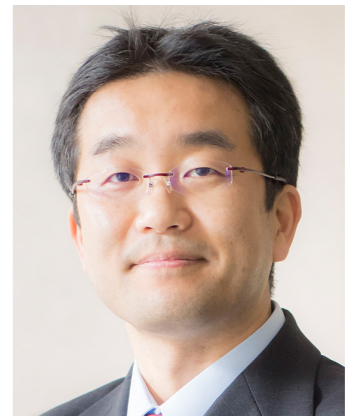


# 可逆ニューラルネットのSobolev空間 における普遍性について

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### Recent Research Interests:

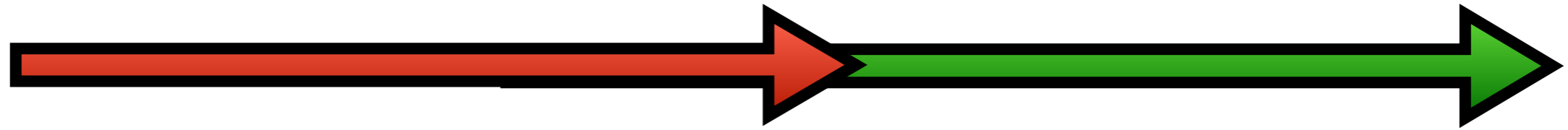
Mathematical analysis of theoretical backgrounds of machine learning and data analysis

- Analysis of representation power of neural networks
- Data analysis via Koopman operator

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and why it's important.

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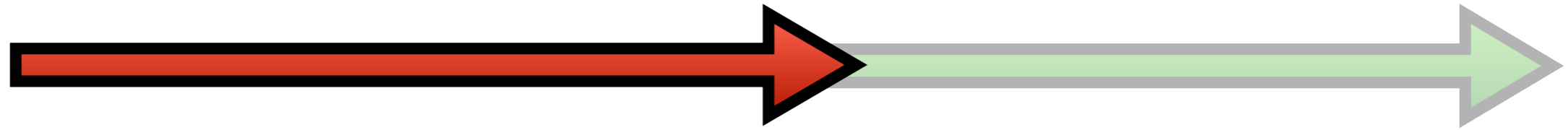
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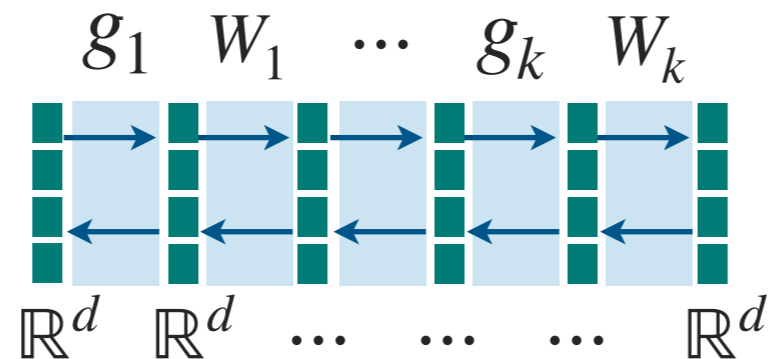
## Goal

Understand theoretical props of **invertible neural networks (INNs)**.

## Invertible Neural Networks (INNs) generated by $\mathcal{G}$

Compositions of **flow maps/layers**  $\mathcal{G}$  and **affine transforms** Aff.

$$f = W_1 \circ g_1 \circ \dots \circ W_k \circ g_k \quad (g_i \in \mathcal{G}, W_i \in \text{Aff})$$



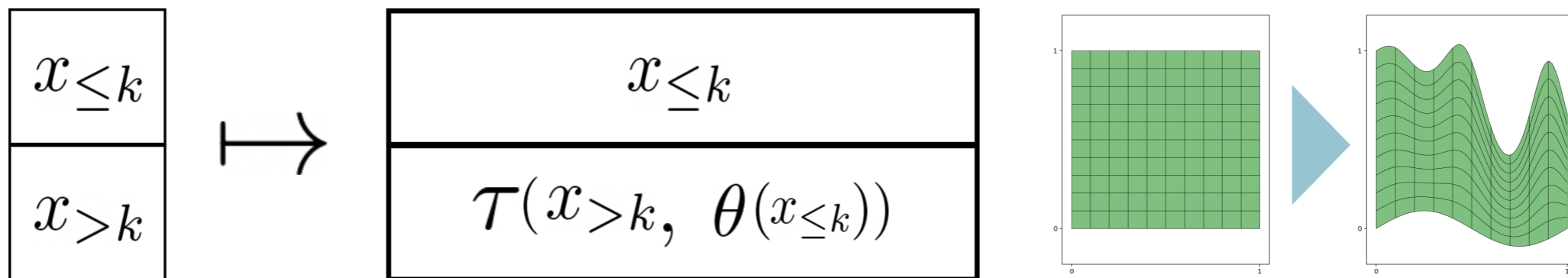
$\mathcal{G}$  is parametrized ("trainable") but **designed to be invertible**.

( $\mathcal{G}$  is often rather simple  $\rightarrow$  Composed to model complex  $f$ )

# Example 1: Coupling Flows

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## Coupling flows (CFs) [DKB14, PNRML19, KPB19]

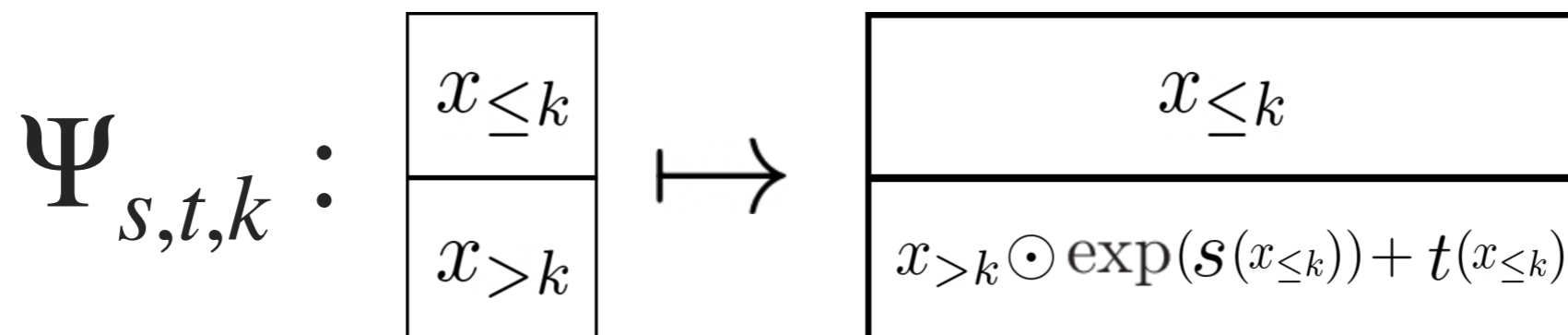


**Idea:** Keep some dimensions unchanged. (Strong constraint!)

**CF-INN** = Coupling-flow based INN.

## Affine-coupling flows (ACFs) [DKB14, DSB17, KD18]

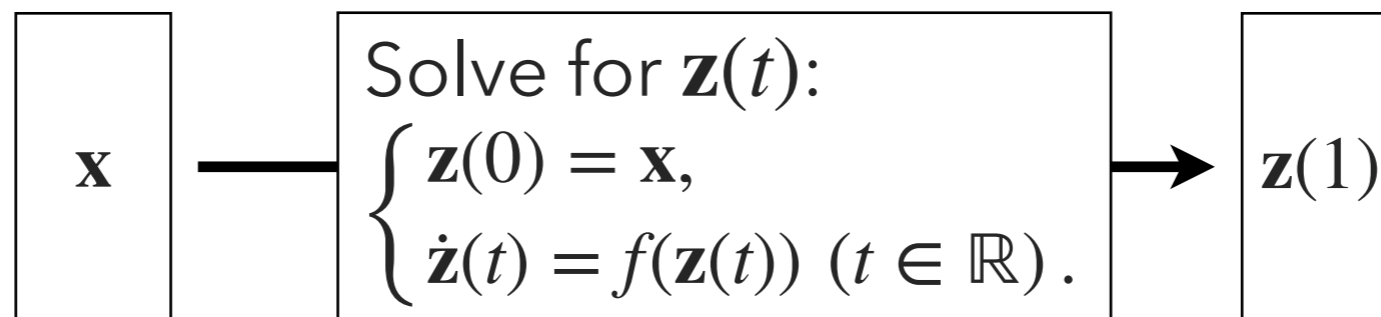
One of the simplest CFs using **coordinate-wise affine transformation**:



## NODE layer

$$\text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^d) := \{f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \mid f \text{ is Lipschitz}\}$$

For each  $f \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , we define an invertible map  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{z}(1)$  via an initial value problem [DJ76]



## NODE layers [CRBD18]

Then, for  $\mathcal{H} \subset \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , consider the set of NODEs:

$$\text{NODEs}(\mathcal{H}) := \{\mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{z}(1) \mid f \in \mathcal{H}\}$$

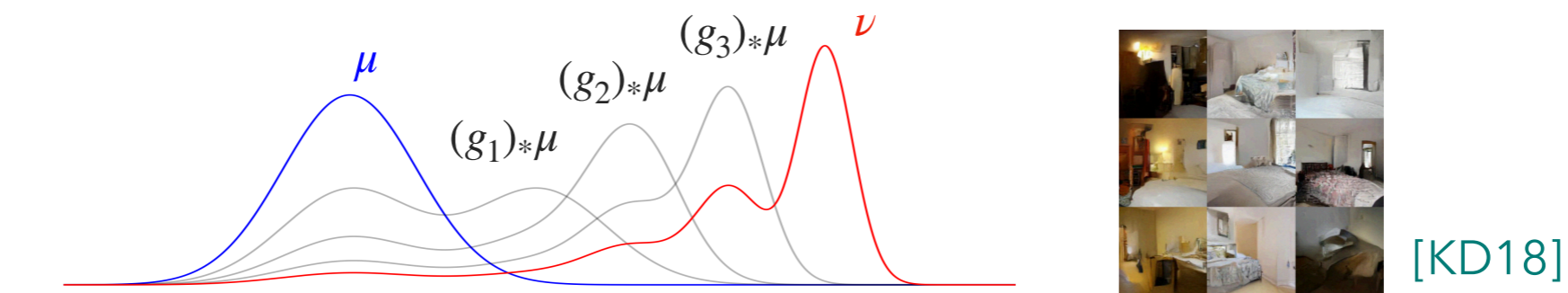


## Useful properties of INNs (for nicely designed $\mathcal{G}$ )

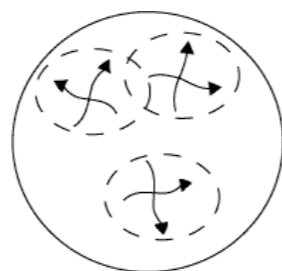
- ✓ **Explicit** and **efficient invertibility**.
- ✓ **Tractability** of Jacobian determinant (for nicely designed  $\mathcal{G}$ ).

## Usages of INNs

- Approximate distributions (normalizing flows).



- Approximate invertible maps (feature extraction & manipulation).

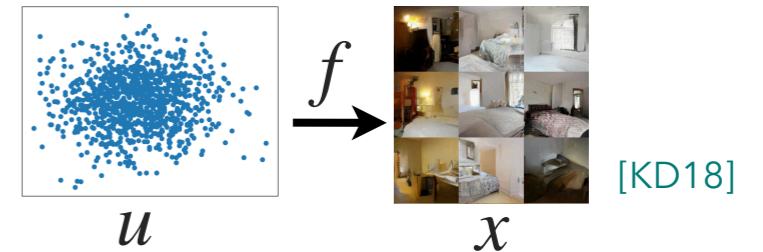


[DSB17]



# Application 1: Distribution Modeling 9

## Normalizing Flows



Express  $x$  as a transformation  $f$  of a real vector  $u$  sampled from  $p_u$ :

$$x = f(u) \text{ where } u \sim p_u$$

## Examples

- Generative modeling [DSB17, KD18, OLB+18, KLSKY19, ZMWN19]
- Probabilistic inference [BM19, WSB19, LW17, AKRK19]
- Semi-supervised learning [IKFW20]

## Training by Maximum Likelihood (Invertibility+Tractable Jacobian!)

By change of variables formula:

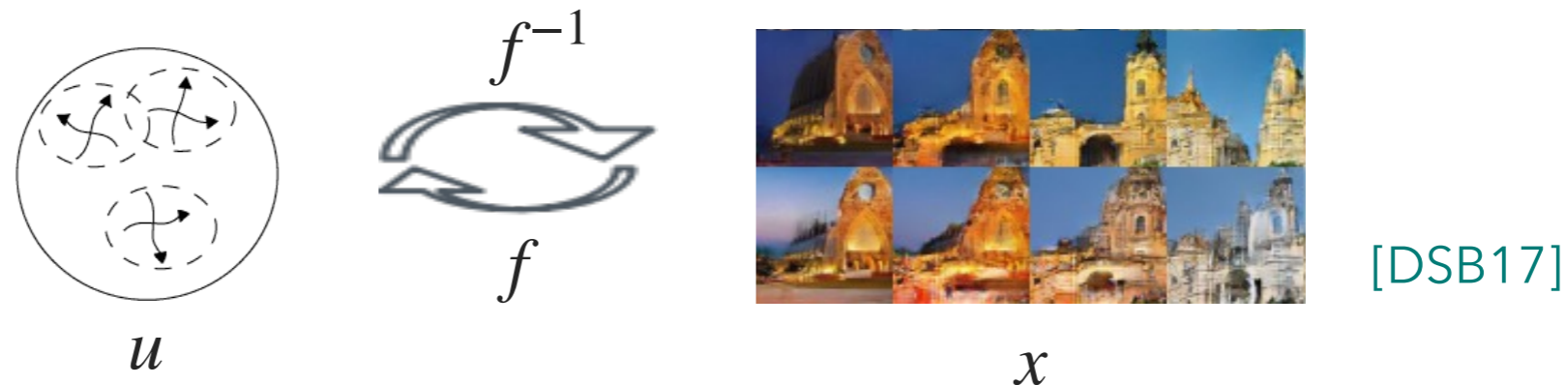
↓ easily invertible

$$\log p_x(x) = \log p_u(f^{-1}(x)) + \log \left| \det J_{f^{-1}}(x) \right| \quad (J_{f^{-1}}: \text{Jacobian of } f^{-1})$$

↑ known

↑ tractable

## Feature Extraction & Manipulation



1. Extract latent representation  $u$  from  $x$  by  $f$ .
2. Modify  $u$  in the latent space (e.g., interpolation).
3. Map back to the data space by  $f^{-1}$ .

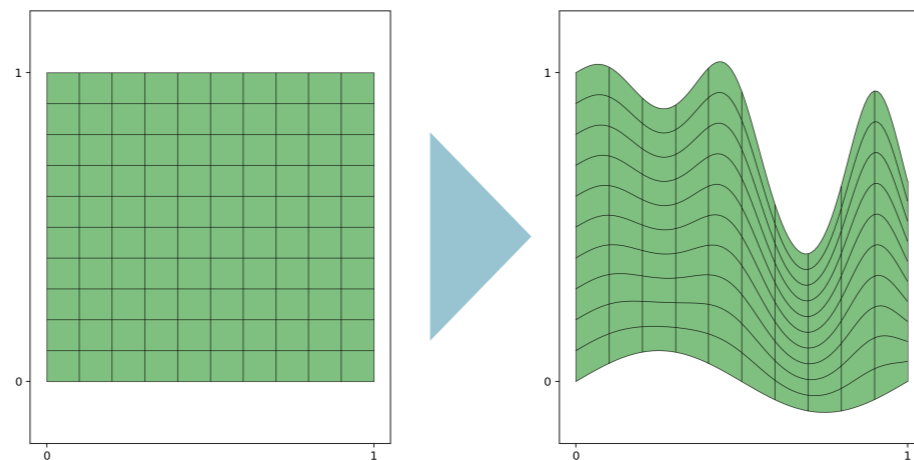
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- Semi-supervised learning [IKFW20]
- Transfer learning [TSS20]

INN  $f$  is used for **distribution modeling** (application 1) and **invertible function modeling** (application 2).

## BUT...

$\mathcal{G}$  relies on special designs to maintain good properties. (e.g., CF layers keep some dimensions unchanged)



## Complications

- The layers have clever specific designs (e.g., ACFs).
- Function composition is the only way to build complex models. (Operations such as addition or multiplications are not allowed.)

**Can these INNs have sufficient representation power?**

(Restricted function form  $\rightarrow$  restricted representation power?)

# This talk is based on the following paper 13

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## **Paper 1: Coupling-based invertible neural networks are universal diffeomorphism approximators (NeurIPS 2020)** [TIT+20] **Oral paper!**

- Proposed a **general theoretical framework** to analyze the representation power (universalities) of invertible models.
- Analyzed **CF-INNs (ACFs)** and more advanced ones).

## **Paper 2: Universal Approximation Property of Neural Ordinary Differential Equations (NeurIPS 2020 DiffGeo4DL Workshop)** [TTI+20]

- Analyzed **NODEs**, building on the general framework.
- (with minor modification to the general framework)

# What is "representation power"?

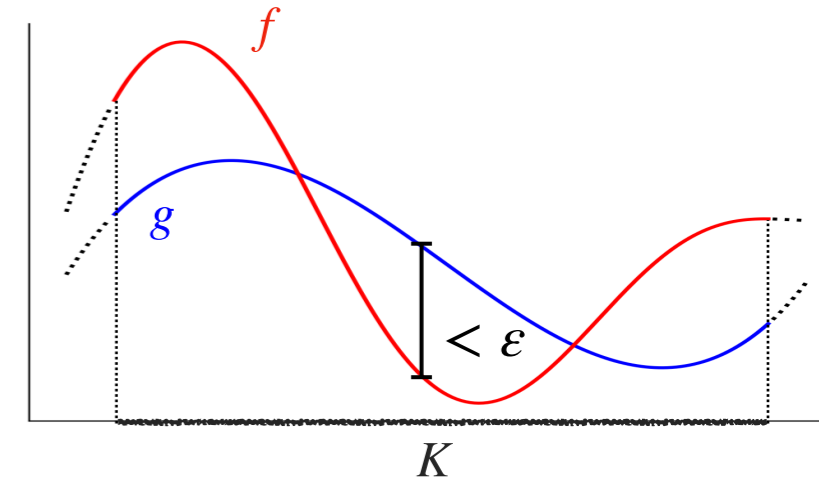
Here,

"Representation power" = **Universal approximation property.**

**Definition** (informal) [C89,HSW89]

$W^{r,p}$ -**universal approximator**:

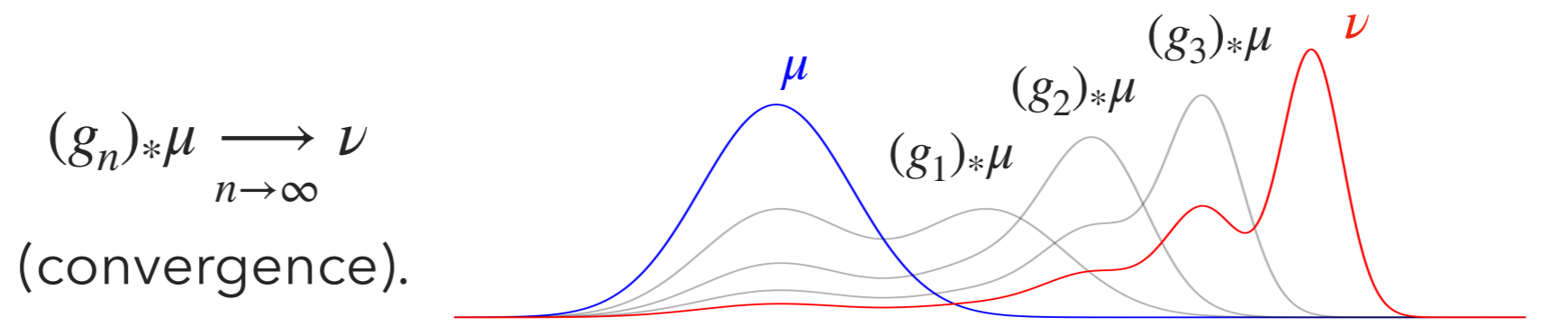
the model can approximate any target function w.r.t.  $W^{r,p}$ -norm on a compact set.



$$W^{r,p}\text{-norm} : \|f - g\|_{r,p,K} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq r} \left( \int_K \|\partial^\alpha (f - g)(x)\|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

**Definition** (informal)

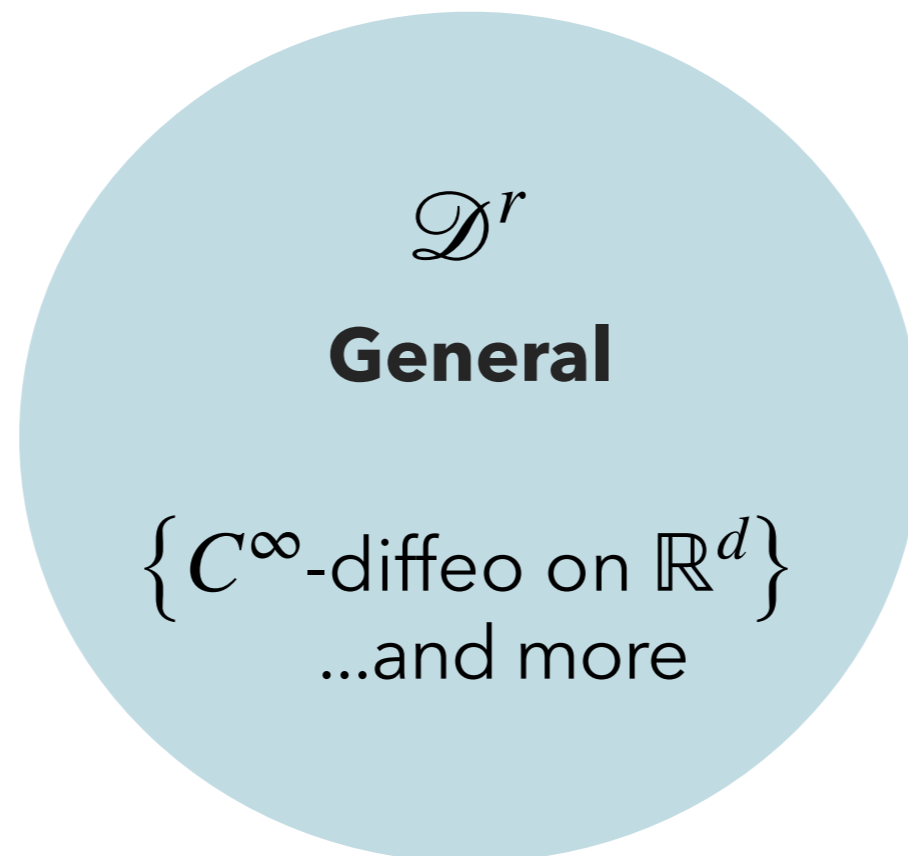
A model is a **distributional universal approximator** if it can transform one distribution arbitrarily close to any distribution.



## Definition (Approximation target $\mathcal{D}^r$ )

Fairly **large set** of smooth invertible maps.

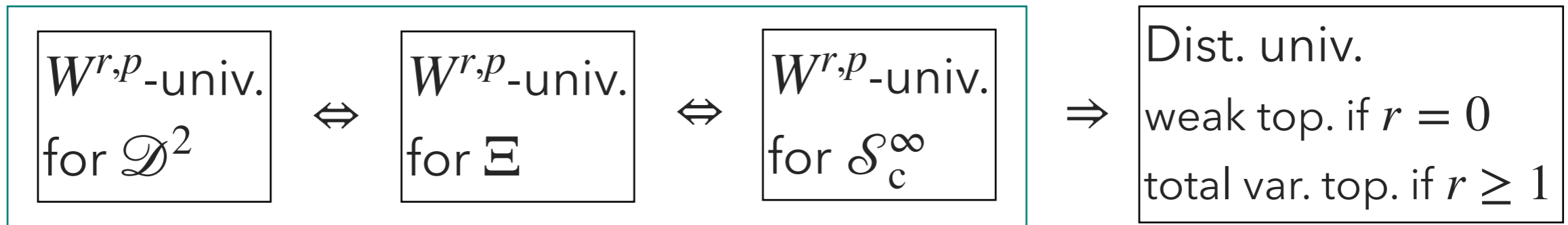
$$\mathcal{D}^r := \{C^r\text{-diffeo of the form } f : U_f \rightarrow f(U_f)\} \\ (U_f \subset \mathbb{R}^d : \text{open } C^r\text{-diffeomorphic to } \mathbb{R}^d)$$





## Theorem (Theoretical Framework)

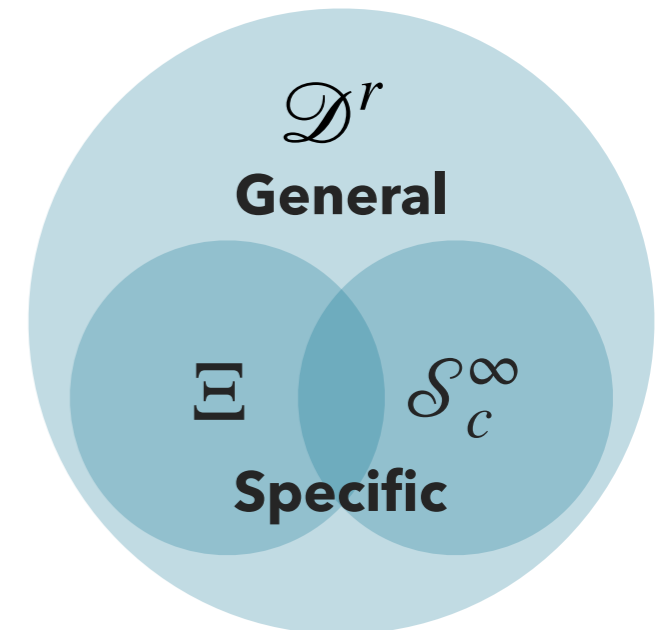
(under mild regularity conditions)

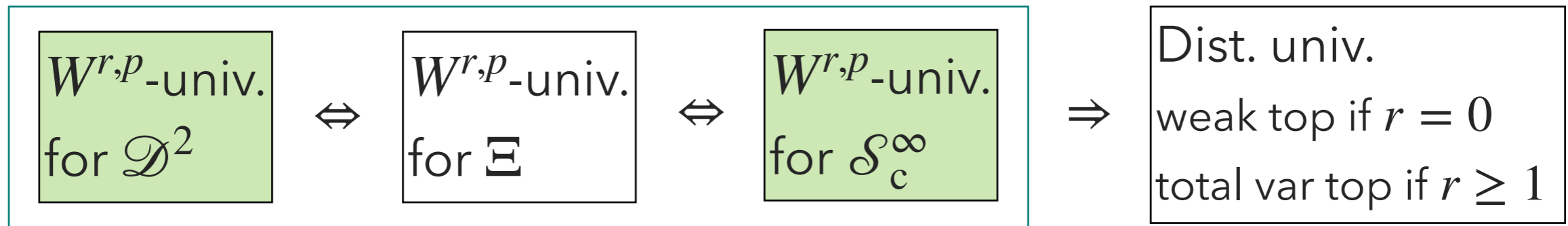


$\mathbb{E}$  : "flow endpoints"

$\mathcal{S}_c^\infty := \{ \tau : \text{コンパクト台微分同相 } \tau(\mathbf{x}, y) = (\mathbf{x}, u(\mathbf{x}, y)) \}$

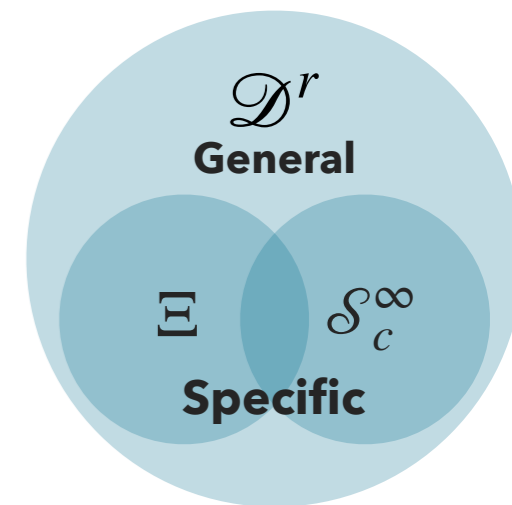
$u : \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (\mathbf{x}, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R}$





## Examples of Universal Coupling Flows

- **Sum-of-squares polynomial flow** (SoS-flow) [JSY19]
- **Deep sigmoidal flow** (DSF; aka. NAF) [HKLC18]

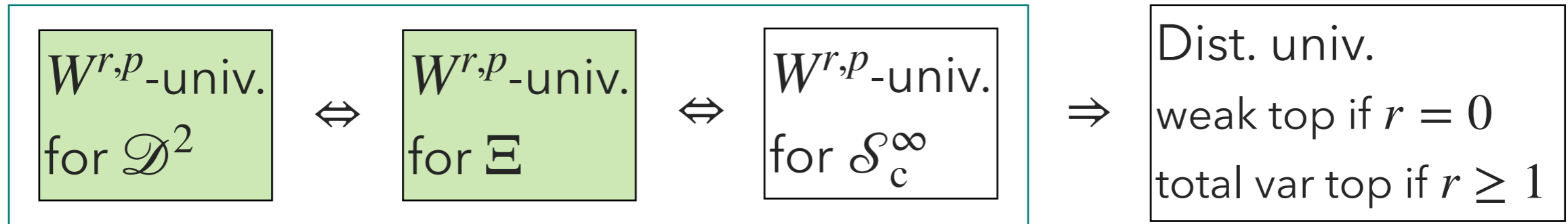


yield  $W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. INNs for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$  (and hence for  $\mathcal{D}^r$ , and also dist-univ.).

(stronger than in [JSY19, HKLC18]).


## Affine Coupling Flows yield universal INNs

Affine Coupling Flows yield  $L^p$ -univ. INNs for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$  (and hence for  $\mathcal{D}^0$ , and also dist-univ.).





## Universality of NODEs

NODEs yield  $W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. INNs for  $\Xi$   
(and hence sup-univ. for  $\mathcal{D}^r$ . Also Dist-univ.).

**What did we do?**  Theoretically investigated:  
Are our INNs expressive enough?

INNs = Invertible neural networks

**Why important?**  Models without a representation  
power guarantee are hard to rely on.

**What is the result?**  "Coupling-based INNs (CF-INNs)" and  
"NODE-based INNs (NODE-INNs)" are  
"universal function approximators"  
despite their special architectures.

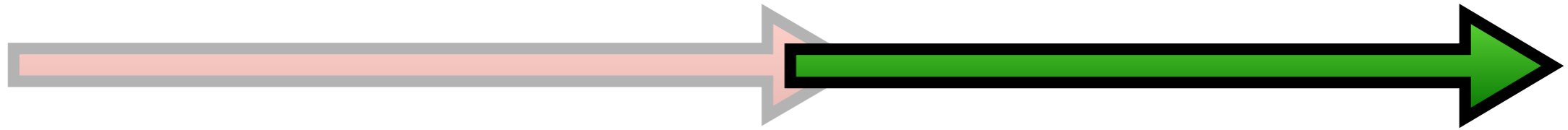
## Message

CF-INNs and NODE-INNs can be relied on in modeling  
invertible functions and probability distributions.

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We assume  $d \geq 7$

## Difficulty

- We cannot use **techniques of functional analysis!**
  - INNs and  $\mathcal{D}^r$  are **not** linear spaces ( $r \geq 0$ )  
Recall :  $\mathcal{D}^r := \{ C^r\text{-diffeo of the form } f : U_f \rightarrow f(U_f) \}$   
( $U_f \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  : open  $C^r$ -diffeo to  $\mathbb{R}^d$ )
  - Existing methods do not work....(e.g. Hahn-Banach theorem, Fourier transform, Stone-Weierstrass theorem, e.t.c)

## Idea

- Utilize a concrete structure of the **diffeomorphism group** !

# $W^{r,p}$ -Universal approximators

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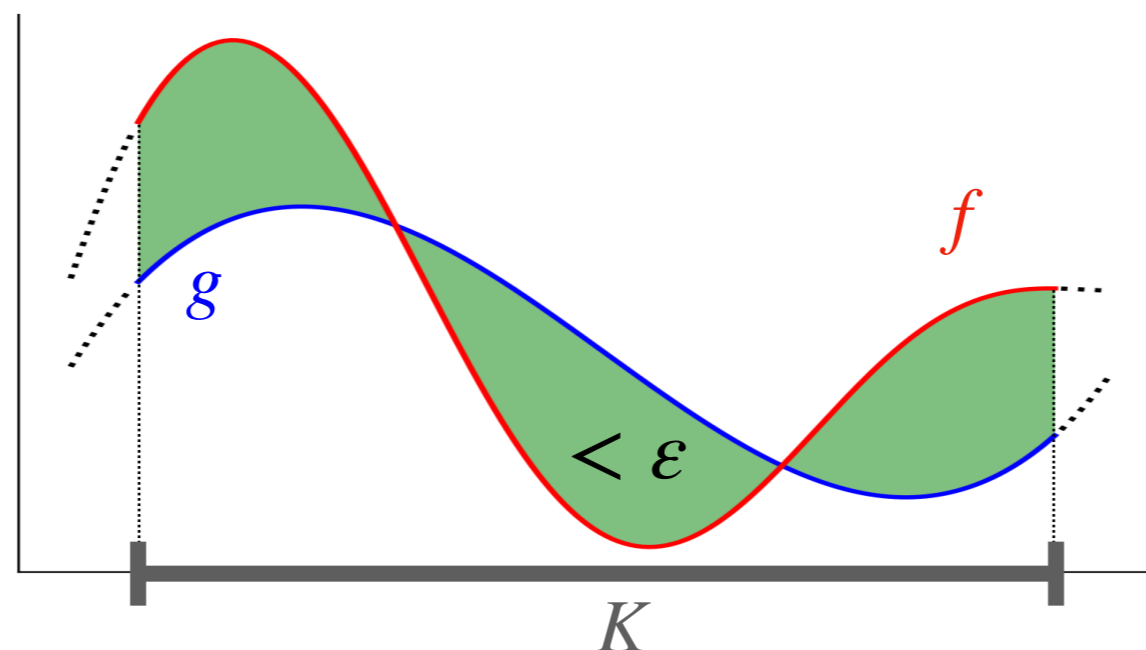
$\mathcal{M}$ : model, set of measurable bijection from  $\mathbb{R}^d$  to  $\mathbb{R}^d$  (e.g. INNs)

$\mathcal{F}$ : target functions  $f: U_f \rightarrow f(U_f)$  (e.g.  $\mathcal{D}^r$ )

$\mathcal{M}$  is an  **$W^{r,p}$ -universal approximator** for  $\mathcal{F}$  if

$\forall f \in \mathcal{F}, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall K \subset U_f: \text{compact}, \exists g \in \mathcal{M}$

$$\|f - g\|_{r,p,K} := \sum_{|\alpha| \leq r} \left( \int_K \|\partial^\alpha(f - g)(x)\|^p dx \right)^{1/p} < \varepsilon$$





## Proposition

For  $\infty \geq r > r'$ ,

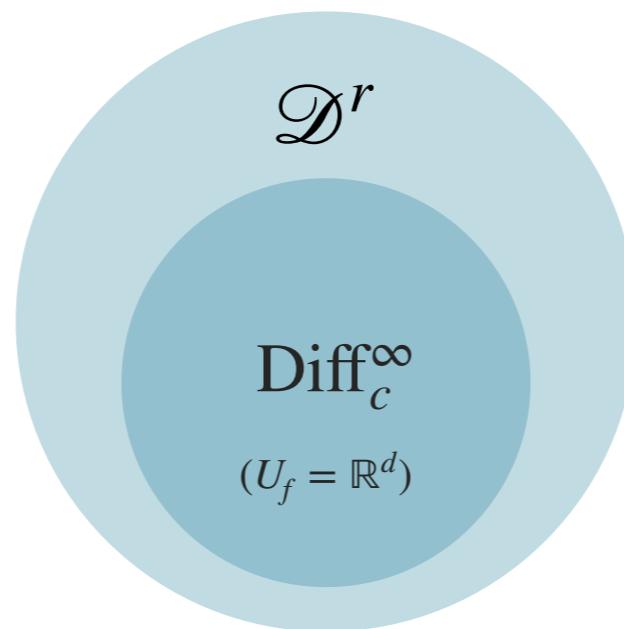
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**Definition** (compactly supported diffeomorphisms)

$\text{Diff}_c^\infty$ : the set of  $C^\infty$ -diffeomorphisms  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  such that  $f(x) = x$  outside a compact subset



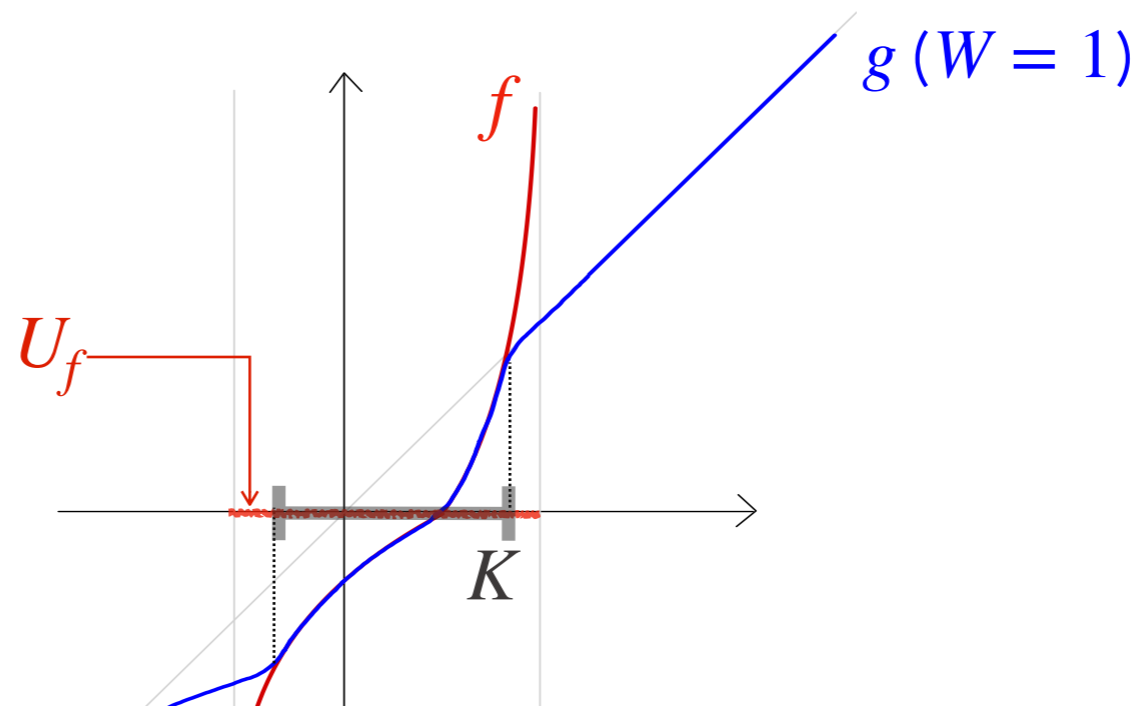
**Theorem** (Herman, Thurston, Epstein, and Mather)

$\text{Diff}_c^\infty$  is a **simple group** (does not have any proper normal subgroup except  $\{\text{Id}\}$ )

## Proposition

For  $f \in \mathcal{D}^r$  ( $f: U_f \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ ) and compact subset  $K \subset U_f$  (assume  $d \geq 7$  if  $(p, r) = (\infty, r)$ ), there exist an affine transform  $W \in \text{Aff}$  and  $g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$  such that

$$f|_K \sim W \circ g|_K \text{ (with any precision in } W^{r,p}\text{-norm)}$$



## Remark

If  $(p, r) = (\infty, 0)$ , we use Annulus Theorem by Kirby (1969,  $d \geq 5$ ) and an approximation theorem by Cornell (1963) (Cornell's result needs the condition  $d \geq 7$ ).

## Definition (flow endpoints $\Xi$ )

$g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ : **flow endpoint** if there exists a **continuous** and **"additive"** map  $\phi : [0,1] \rightarrow \text{Diff}_c^\infty$  such that  $\phi(0) = \text{Id}$  and  $\phi(1) = g$   
 $\Xi := \{\text{flow endpoints}\}$

## Proposition

The set of finite compositions of flow endpoints (the group generated by  $\Xi$ ) is a **nontrivial normal subgroup** of  $\text{Diff}_c^\infty$ .

## Corollary

For  $g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ , there exist **finite** flow endpoints  $g_1, \dots, g_m \in \Xi$  such that

$$g = g_1 \circ \dots \circ g_m.$$

In particular,

$W^{r,p}$ -univ.  
for  $\mathcal{D}^r$



$W^{r,p}$ -univ.  
for  $\Xi$

$f \in \mathcal{D}^r$ : target,  $K \subset U_f$ : compact

$f|_K$   
 $\wr \ll$  approximate  $f|_K$

$\exists W \circ h$  (Aff & compactly supported  $C^\infty$ -diffeomorphism)

$\parallel \ll$  **structure theorem of diffeomorphism group**

$\exists h_1 \circ h_2 \circ \dots$  (**flow endpoints**)

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element of  $\text{NODEs}(\mathcal{H})$       $\text{NODEs}(\mathcal{H}) := \{ \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{z}(1) \mid f \in \mathcal{H} \}$

## Paper 2 Result (Analysis of NODEs)

NODEs yield  $W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. INNs for  $\Xi$

(and hence  $W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. for  $\mathcal{D}^r$ . Also Dist-univ. for tot. var.).

# Proof outline of result in Paper 1

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$\parallel$

$\sigma_1 \circ \tau_1 \circ \dots$  (**permutations &  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$** )

**Decompose  $f|_K$  into simpler mappings**

**Definition** (nearly-Id elements)

$g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ : **nearly-Id element** if  $\|dg(x) - I\| < 1$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

**Proposition**

For a flow endpoint  $g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ , there exist nearly-Id elements  $g_1, \dots, g_m \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$  such that

$$g = g_1 \circ \dots \circ g_m.$$

$\because g = \phi(1)$  ( $\phi : [0,1] \rightarrow \text{Diff}_c^\infty$  : "additive" and continuous)

Then,  $g = \phi(1/m)^m$  and  $\phi(1/m) \rightarrow \text{Id}$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$

Thus, we define  $g_1 = g_2 = \dots = g_m = \phi(1/m)$  for sufficiently large  $m$  ■



## Proposition

For a nearly-Id element  $g \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ , there exist  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_d \in \mathcal{S}_c^\infty$  and  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_d \in \mathfrak{S}_d$  such that

$$g = \sigma_1 \circ \tau_1 \circ \dots \circ \sigma_m \circ \tau_m.$$

## Lemma for this proposition

For  $g = (g_i)_{i=1}^d \in \text{Diff}_c^\infty$ , if for any  $k = 1, \dots, d$ , the submatrix of its jacobian

$$\left( \frac{\partial g_{i+k-1}}{\partial x_{j+k-1}}(x) \right)_{i,j=1,\dots,d-k-1}$$

is invertible for all  $x$ , then there exist  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_d \in \mathcal{S}_c^\infty$  and  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_d \in \mathfrak{S}_d$  such that

$$g = \sigma_1 \circ \tau_1 \circ \dots \circ \sigma_m \circ \tau_m.$$

- Is a composition of approximations an approximation of the composition ?
- We may reduce the problem to approximations of small constituents

## Proposition

$\mathcal{M}$ : a set of piecewise  $C^1$ -diffeomorphisms

$F_1, \dots, F_r$ : **linearly increasing** piecewise  $C^1$ -diffeomorphisms

Assume  $\exists H_i \in \mathcal{M}$  such that

$$H_i \approx F_i \text{ (} L^p\text{-approximation on any compact sets)}$$

Then, for compact set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , there exist  $G_1, \dots, G_r \in \mathcal{M}$  such that

$$G_r \circ \dots \circ G_1 \approx F_r \circ \dots \circ F_1 \text{ (} L^p\text{-approximation on } K\text{)}$$

## Remark

If  $\mathcal{M}$  is composed of **locally bounded** maps and  $F_i$ 's are **continuous**, we have a similar proposition for sup-universal approximators.

# Proof outline of Main result

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# How the result can be used

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**You show**

$W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$



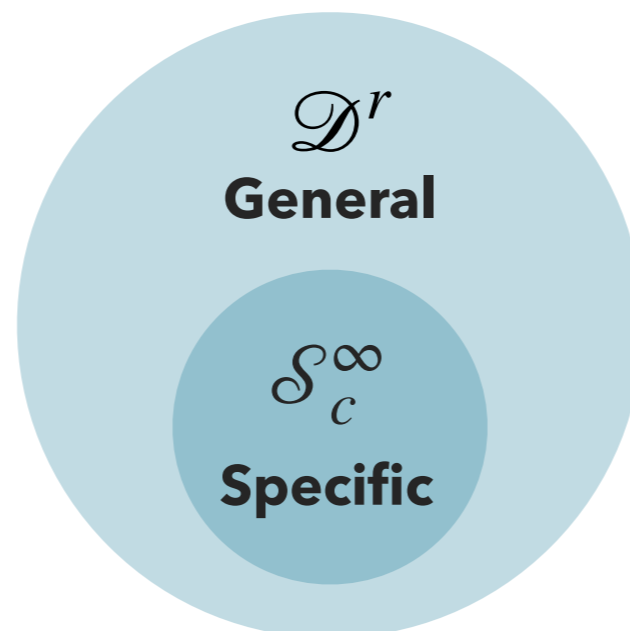
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**You get**

$W^{r,\infty}$ -univ. for  $\mathcal{D}^r$



$W^{r,p}$ -univ. for  $\mathcal{D}^r$



# Upgrade Existing Guarantees

Regrading guarantees for existing INN architectures:

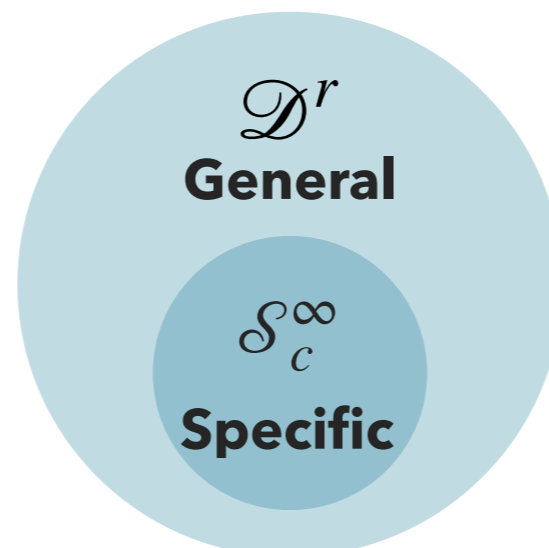
- **Sum-of-squares polynomial flow** (SoS-flow)
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Previously known/claimed [JSY19, HKLC18]:

$L^\infty$ -universality for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$



$W^{r,p}$ -universality for  $\mathcal{D}^r$  for  $r \geq 0$



**Definition** (distributional universal approximator)

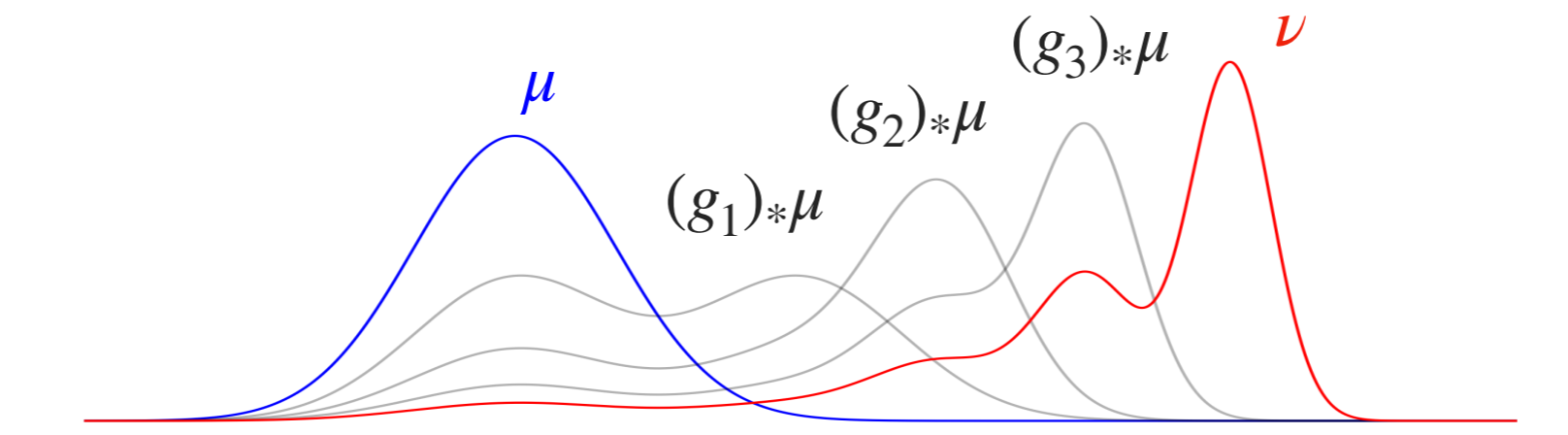
$\mathcal{M}$ : model, set of measurable bijection from  $\mathbb{R}^d$  to  $\mathbb{R}^d$  (e.g. INNs)

$\mathcal{P}$ : absolutely continuous probability measures with a topology

$\mathcal{M}$  is a **distributional universal approximator** w.r.t. the topology of  $\mathcal{P}$  **if**

$$\forall \mu, \nu \in \mathcal{P}, \exists \{g_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{M}$$

$$(g_n)_* \mu \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \nu \quad (\text{convergence in } \mathcal{P}).$$



## Proposition

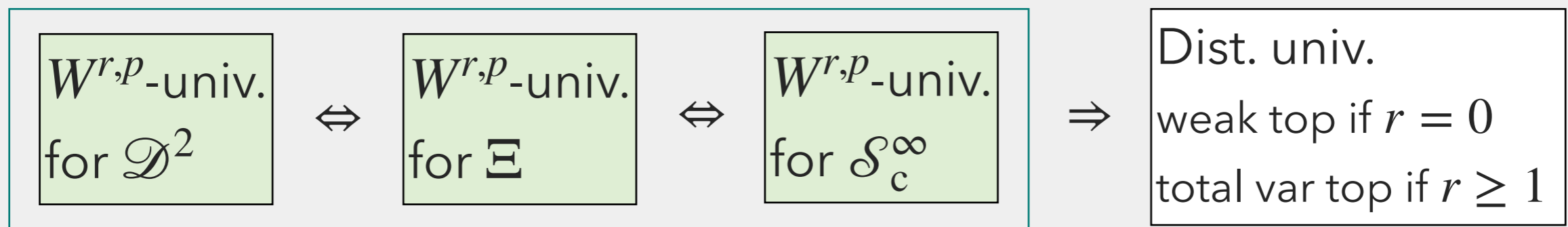
A model  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $W^{r,p}$ -universal approximator for a target  $\mathcal{D}^r$



A model  $\mathcal{M}$  is a **distributional** universal approximator w.r.t

- weak topology if  $r = 0$
- total variation topology if  $r > 0$

In summary, we obtain



$L^p$ -/sup-univ.  
for  $\mathcal{D}^2$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$L^p$ -/sup-univ.  
for  $\Xi$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$L^p$ -/sup-univ.  
for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$

$\Rightarrow$

Distributional-  
univ.

## Affine Coupling Flows yield universal INNs

Affine Coupling Flows yield  $L^p$ -univ. INNs for  $\mathcal{S}_c^\infty$   
(and hence for  $\mathcal{D}^0$ , and also Dist-univ. w.r.t weak topology).

## Remark

The representation power of invertible neural networks based on affine coupling flow is empirically known, and they were **conjectured** distributional universal approximator. We **affirmatively** answer this question.



## Conclusion

- Proposed a general theoretical framework to analyze the representation power (universalities) of invertible models.
- Guarantee the representation power of CF-INNs as an  $L^p$ -universal approximator.
- Guarantee the representation power of NODE-INNs as a  $W^{r,\infty}$ -universal approximator.

## Message

CF-INNs and NODE-INNs can be relied on in modeling invertible functions and probability distributions.

## Future work

- Quantitative analysis: Estimate the number of layers required for the approximation given the smoothness of the target.

# Appendix

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