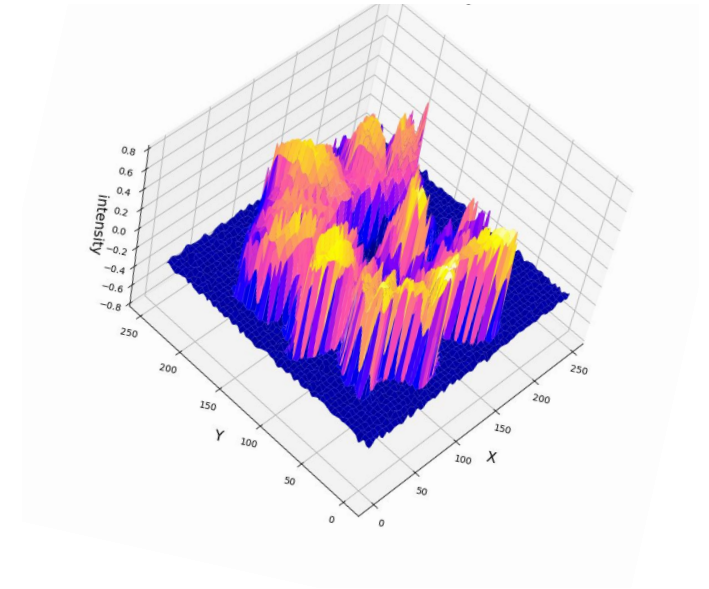
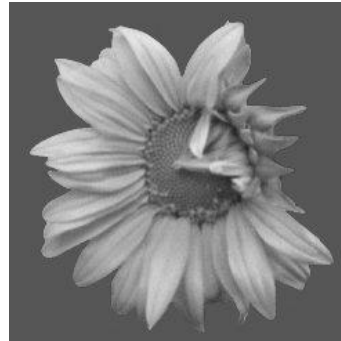


# Implicit Neural Representations (INRs)

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# Outline

- Physics Informed Machine-Learning/Computer-Vision
- Implicit Neural Representations (INRs)
- Fourier feature maps and Spectral Bias of Neural Networks
- INRs with Periodic Activation Functions
- From Data to Functa!
- Generative AI and INRs
- Editing and Processing INRs

# Introduction

Mahdi Naderibeni

PhD student at the pattern recognition lab

Interested in Physics-Informed Machine Learning

Machine Learning for Fluid dynamics; simulating Fluid Flows

# Physics and Sora Model

How does Open AI's text-to-video model considers physics in generating videos?

Do the laws of physics hold?



Paper planes

Do some paper planes go missing?  
What is happening to the planes at the end of their journey?



Closeup Video of Two Pirate Ships Battling Each Other As They Sail Inside A Cup Of Coffee by Sora

Ref: <https://openai.com/index/sora/>

# Physics and Sora Model

These results are better than what we have ever been capable of.

However, how strong is this argument?

We explore large-scale training of generative models on video data. Specifically, we train text-conditional diffusion models jointly on videos and images of variable durations, resolutions and aspect ratios. We leverage a transformer architecture that operates on spacetime patches of video and image latent codes. Our largest model, Sora, is capable of generating a minute of high fidelity video. Our results suggest that scaling video generation models is a promising path towards building general purpose simulators of the physical world.



# How to embed physics into Machine Learning

- Augment it in your data, Big corporates' approach.
- Embed it into the model architecture.
- Embed it into the Loss function; Physics-Informed Neural Networks.

What about data itself?

What is the best way of representing signals, images, etc?

# Physics is about gradients (rates of change)

Our approach in computing gradients  
determines our approach in embedding physics  
into Machine Learning.

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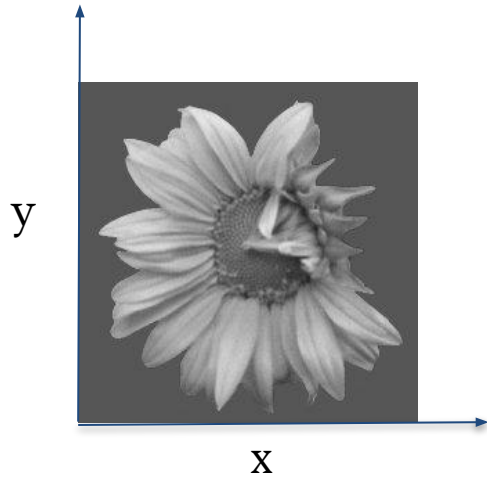
$$\text{Force} = \text{Mass} \cdot \text{Acceleration}$$

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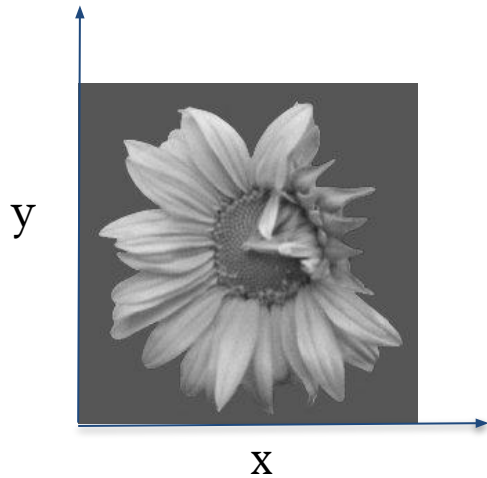
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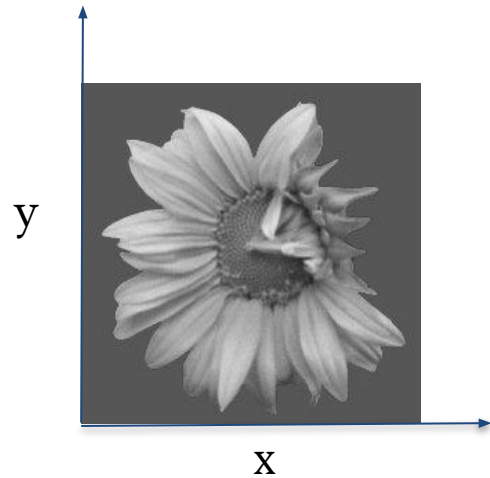


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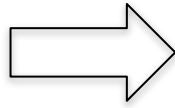
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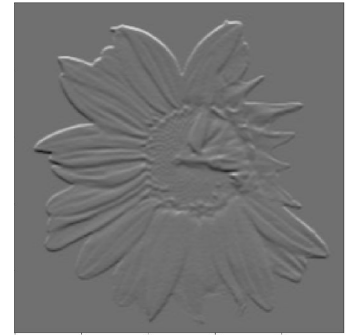
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$$\nabla f = \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$



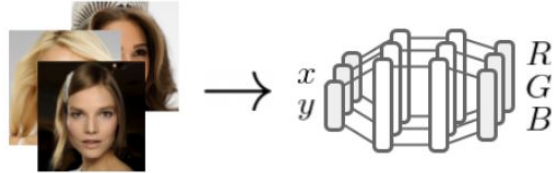
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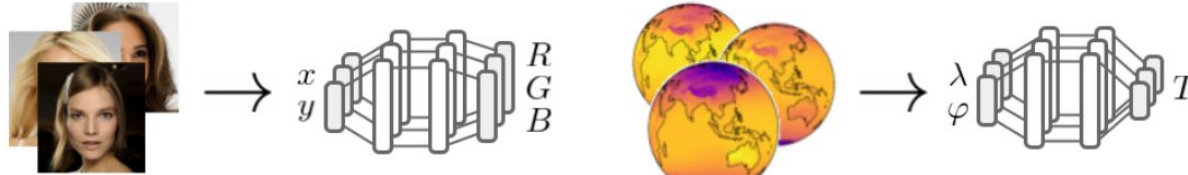
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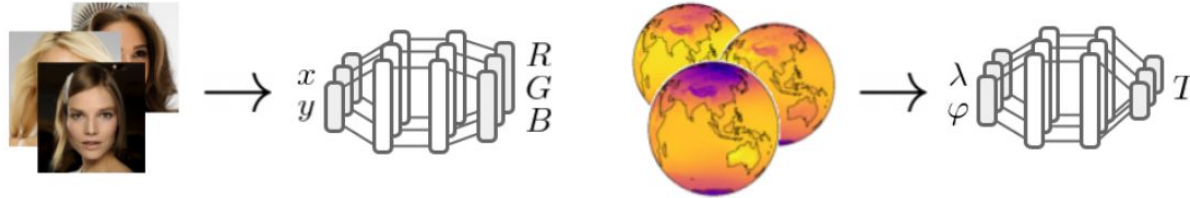
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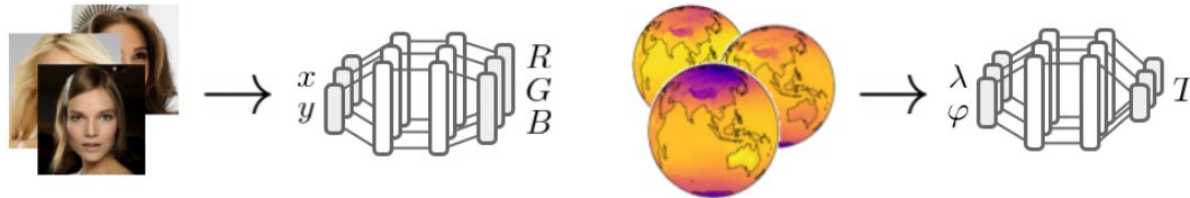


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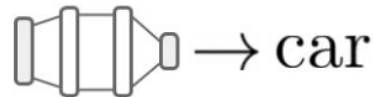
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Use these functions as inputs to your Machine Learning model



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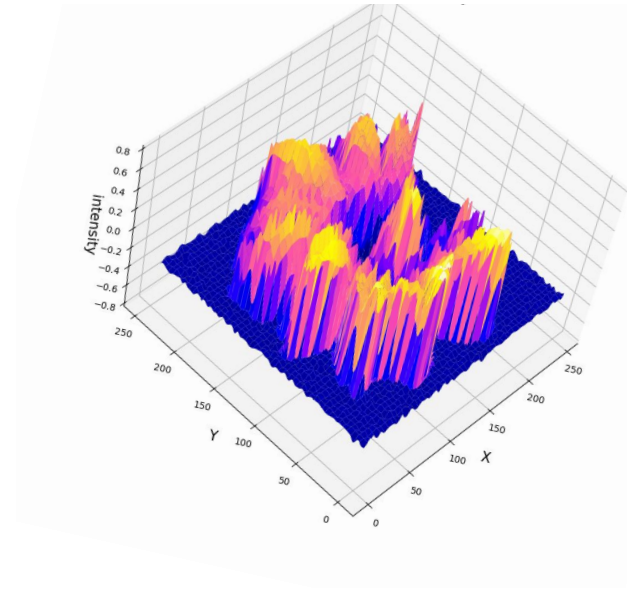
$f_i :$



*Learning an image as a  
continuous 2D function*



$f_\theta(x_i) :$



$$\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}, \{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{f}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}) = \min_{\theta} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \|f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{f}_i\|_2^2.$$

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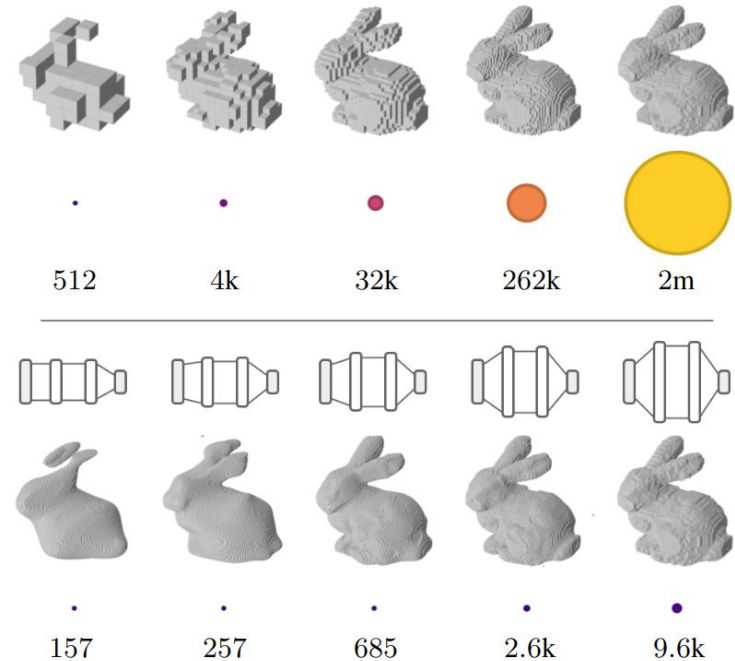
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**INRs as a compression algorithm**



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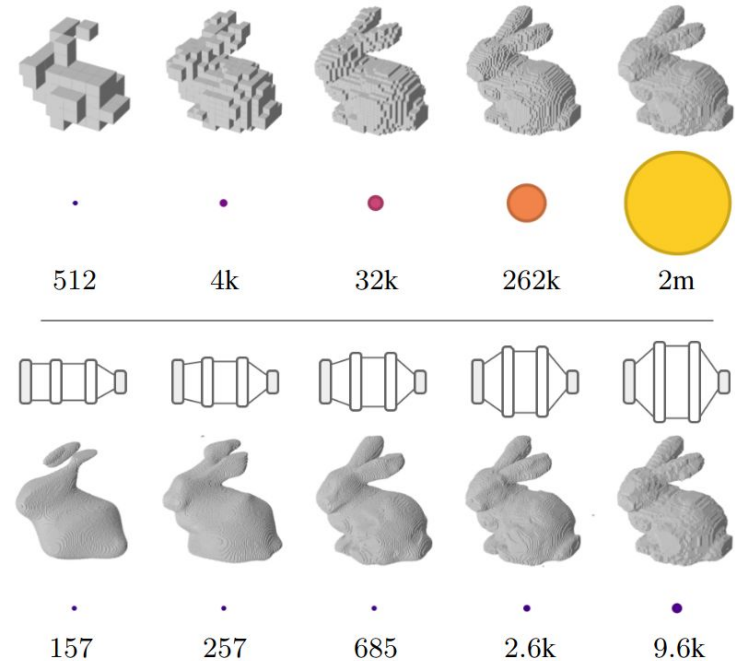
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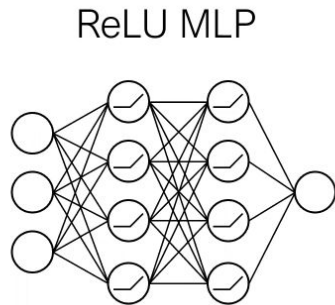
3. Use of automatic differentiation to compute input (e.g., image) gradients
4. ?



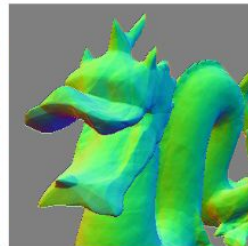
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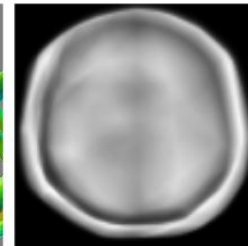
MLPs are biased towards learning low frequency functions. They prioritize learning simple patterns that generalize across data samples.



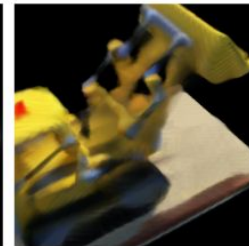
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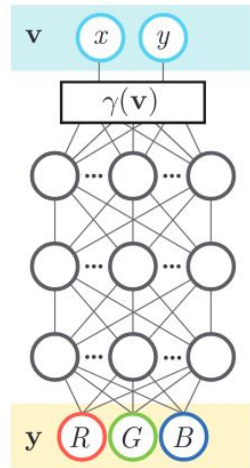


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# Fourier Feature Maps

- Feature Maps?



(a) Coordinate-based MLP

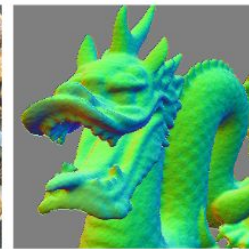
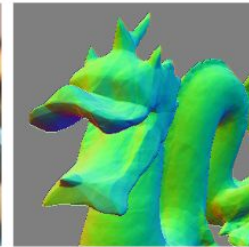
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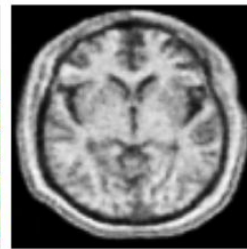
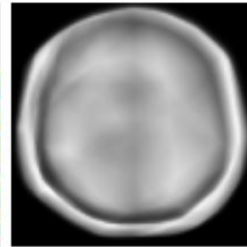
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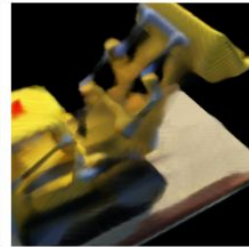
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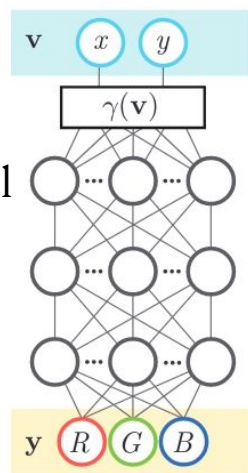
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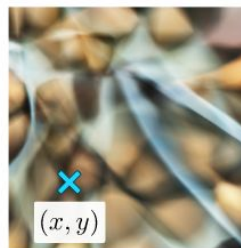
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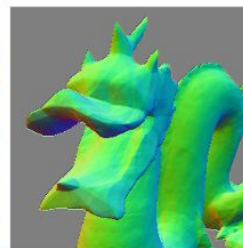
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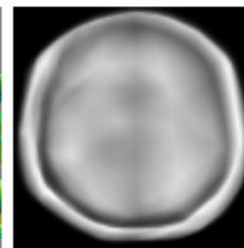
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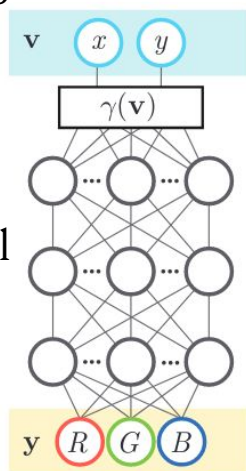
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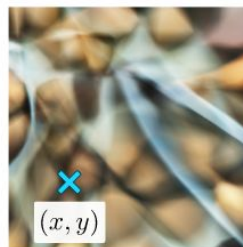
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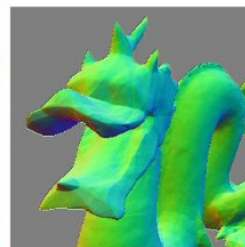
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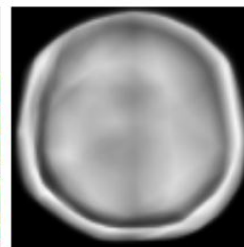
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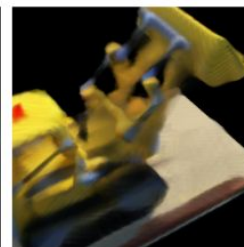
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## Why Fourier Feature Maps work?

Given that they are effective for the cases of low dimensional data.

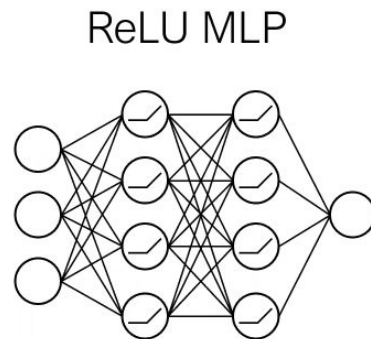
They are helpful in decomposing complex signals into several scales of frequencies.

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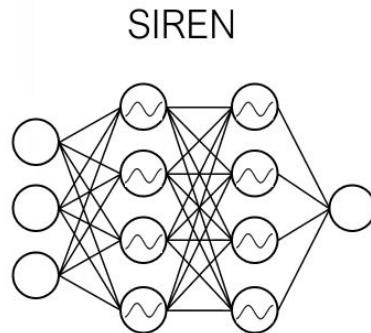
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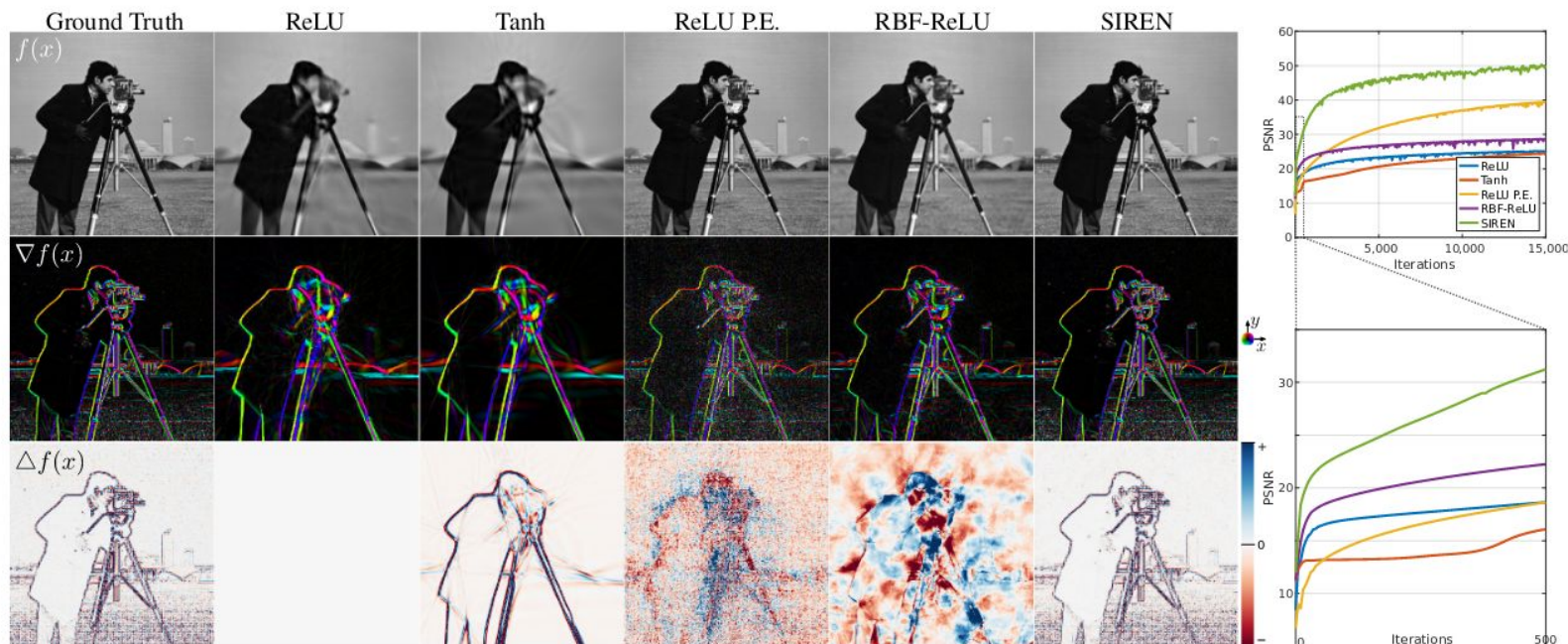


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# SIRENs outperform ReLU and Tanh MLPs



Comparison of different neural network architectures fitting the implicit representation of an image (ground truth: top left). The representation is only supervised on the target image but we also show first- and second-order derivatives of the function fit in rows 2 and 3, respectively.

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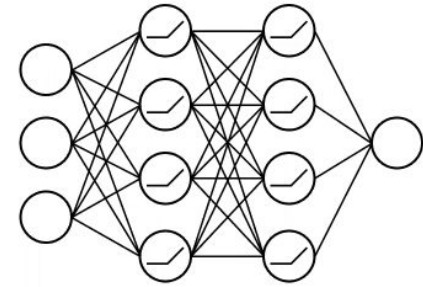
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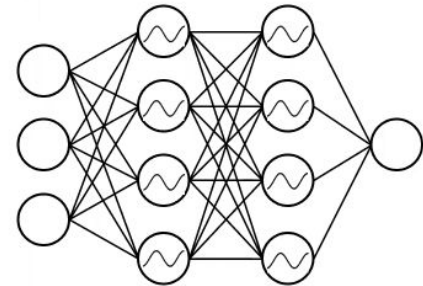
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SIREN



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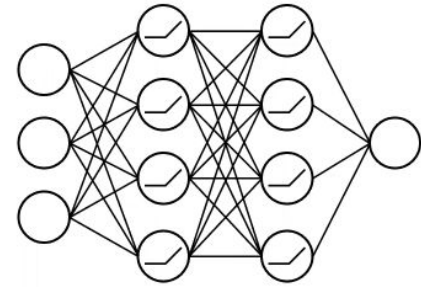
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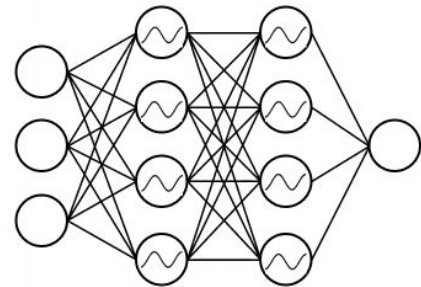
1. Added complexity
2. Gain some shift-invariance
3. The derivative network has periodic non-linearities

### What about the derivative of a ReLU-MLP?

ReLU MLP



SIREN

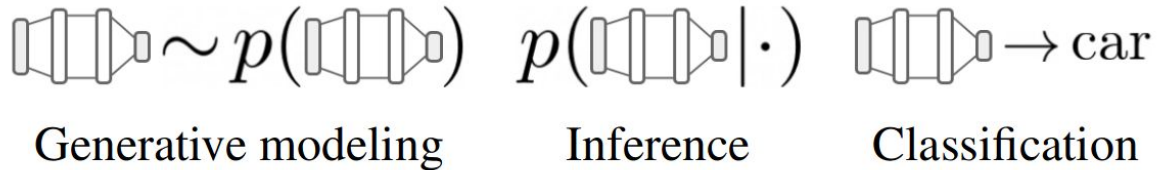


# From data to functa

With INRs we have a functional representation of a data sample (e.g., INR's weights).

By training INRs we can transform a dataset to a functional dataset (some call it a **functaset!**)

These functional representation can be used for downstream tasks (e.g., classification, generative modeling).



# Deep Generative modelling on functional representations

- . Train deep learning directly on the model weights
- . Experiments on generative modeling with Normalizing flows, to map a simple base distribution through a sequence of invertible layers parameterized by neural networks.

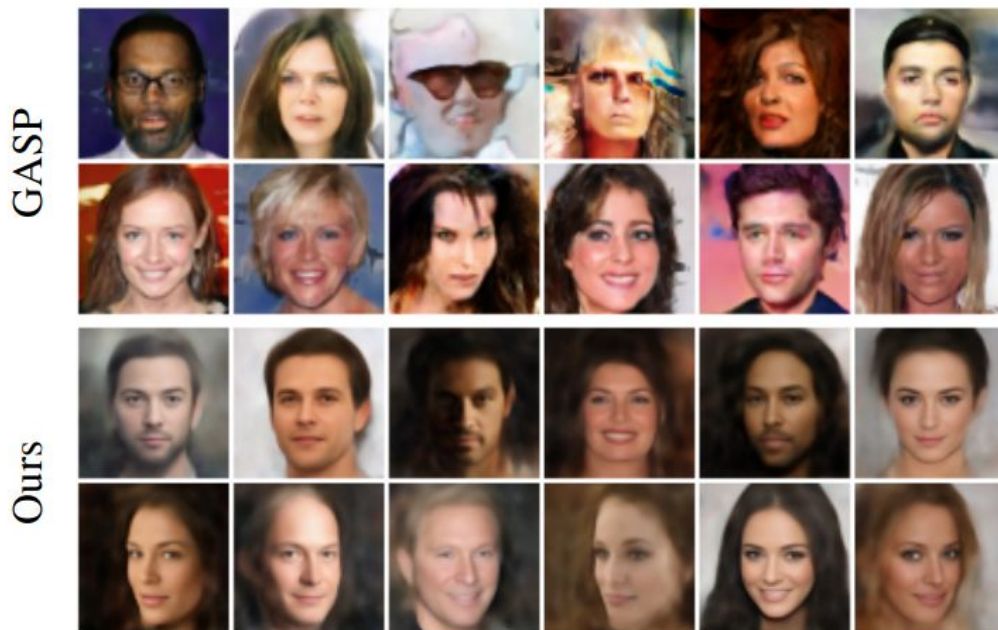


Figure 5. Uncurated samples from GASP and DDPM (diffusion) trained on 256-dim CelebA-HQ  $64 \times 64$  modulations.

# From data to functional representation

## advantages ?

1. Resolution invariance
2. Memory efficiency
3. ?



## disadvantages?

1. Ignoring spatial structure from the data,
2. ?

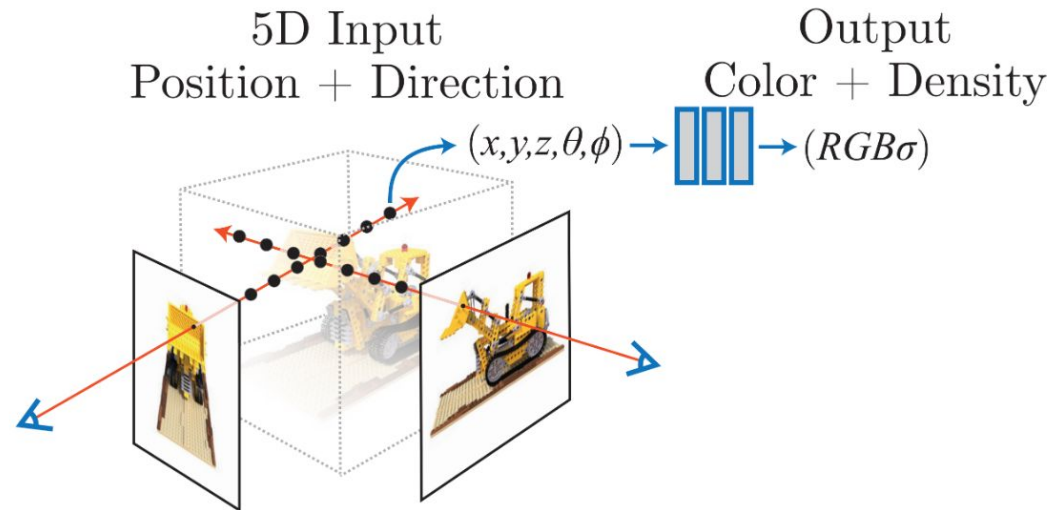


## What else can be done with Implicit Neural Representations?

1. Extend INRs to learn 3D representations from 2D Images
2. ?

# Neural Radiance Fields

Reconstructing a three-dimensional representation of a scene from sparse two-dimensional images.



Mildenhall, B., Srinivasan, P. P., Tancik, M., Barron, J. T., Ramamoorthi, R., & Ng, R. (2021). Nerf: Representing scenes as neural radiance fields for view synthesis. *Communications of the ACM*, 65(1), 99-106.



# Editing and Processing INRs

How to directly modify an INR without explicit decoding?

# Example: Image blending

Gradient-domain image processing

Image 1



$$f_1(x)$$

Image 2



$$f_2(x)$$

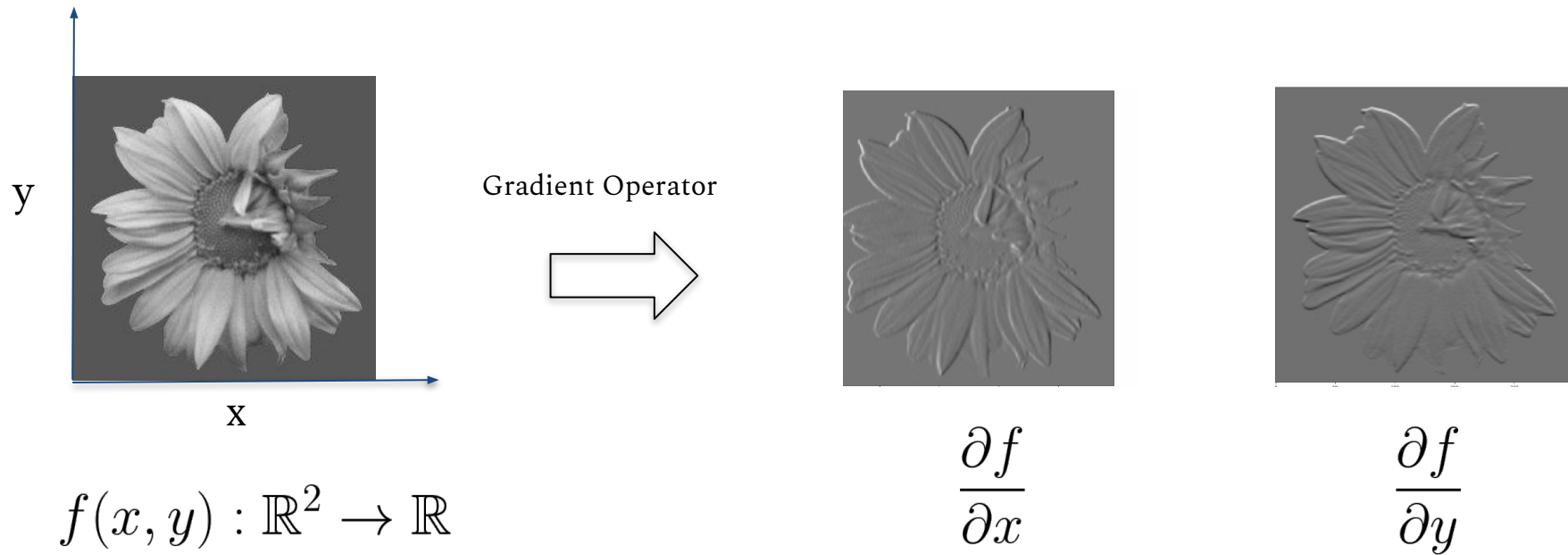
Estimated composite image



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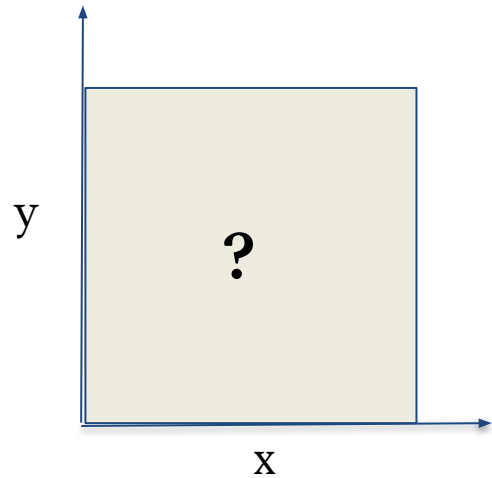
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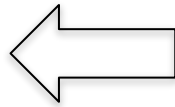
# Integrate image gradients

Can we integrate gradients into a scalar field?

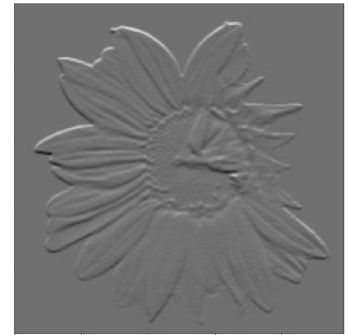


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Integral Operator



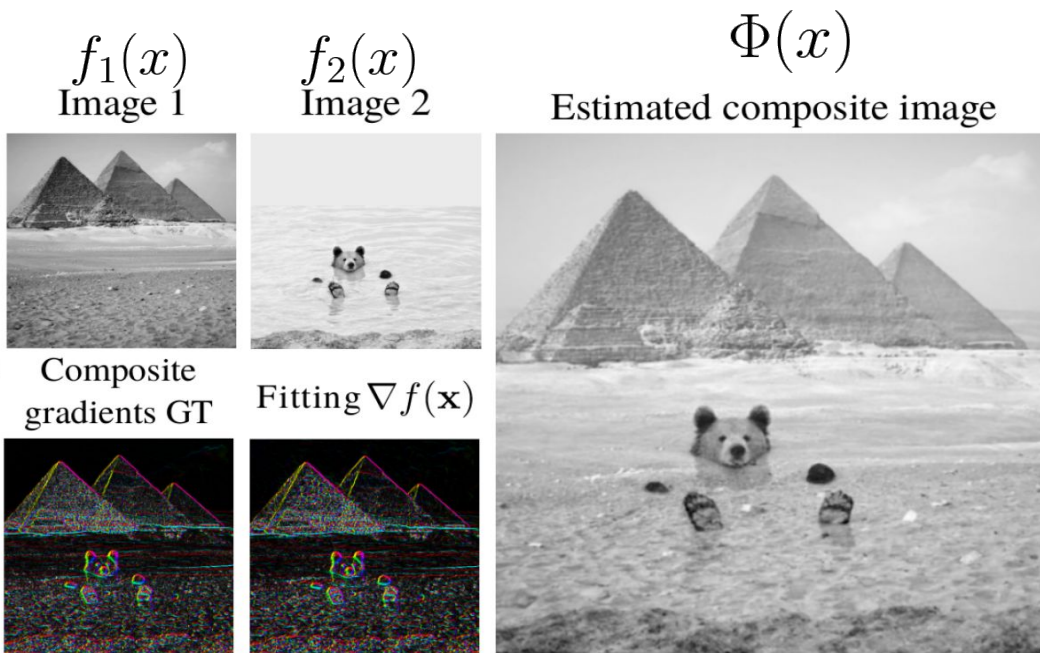
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Loss function:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{grad.}} = \int_{\Omega} \|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\Phi(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}f(\mathbf{x})\| d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}f(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha \cdot \nabla f_1(x) + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \nabla f_2(x), \alpha \in [0, 1]$$

Composite gradient

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To perform tasks like:

(Edge detection, blurring, deblurring, denoising, image inpainting, smoothening, and classification.)

Read more: [Signal Processing for Implicit Neural Representations](#)

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