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This talk is about the paper:

"Expectation Truncation and the Benefits of Preselection", Lücke & Eggert, JMLR 2010.

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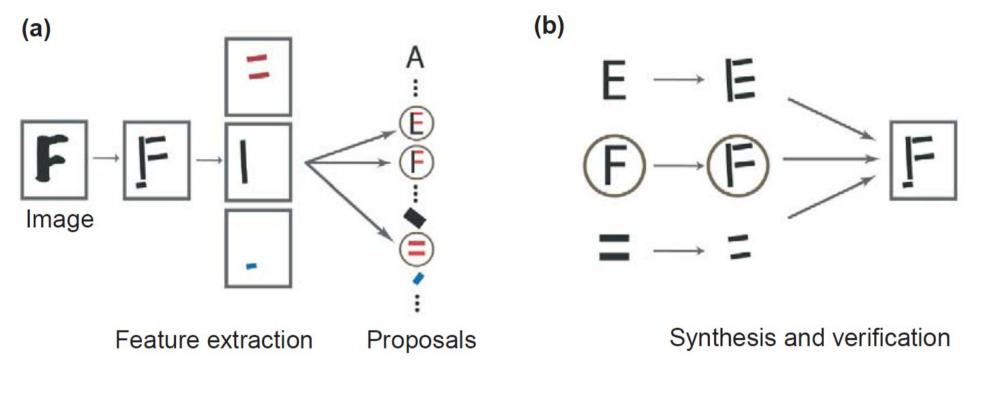


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Preselection

Recurrent Recognition

... this strategy is kind of well established.



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Further examples:

"[The anatomy of the cortex provides] a large-scale computational hypothesis on visual recognition, which includes both, rapid parallel forward recognition, independent of any feedback prediction, and a feedback controlled refinement system."

Körner et al., *Neural Networks* 1999 A model of computation in neocortical architecture

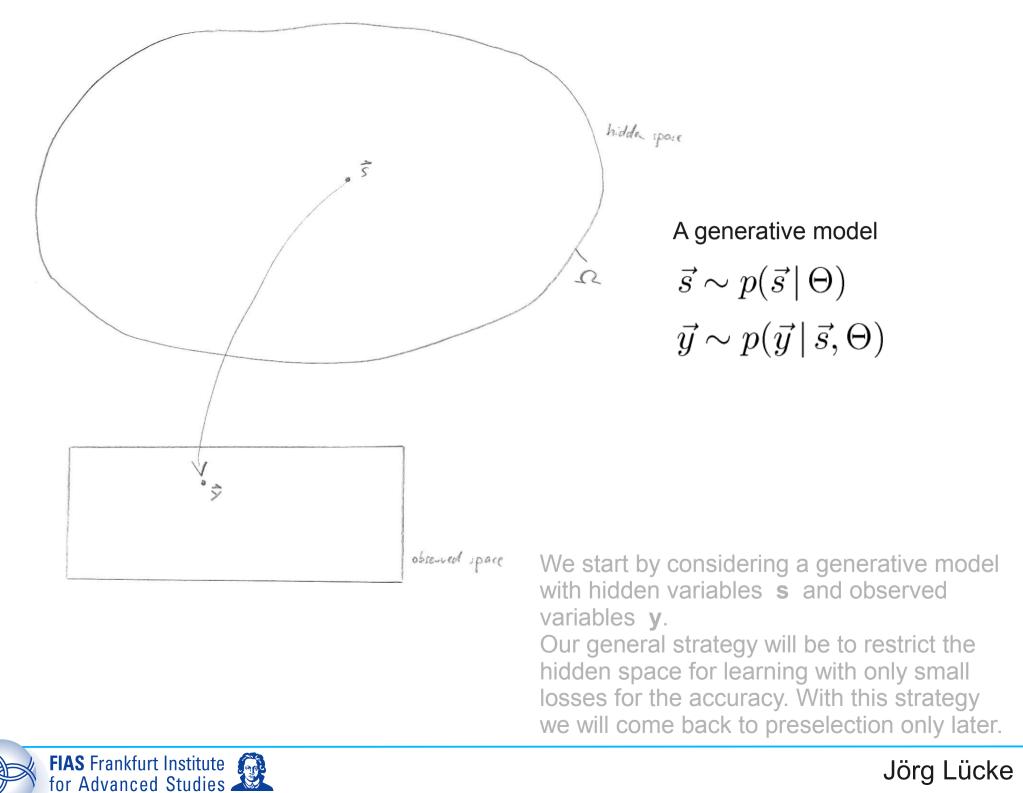
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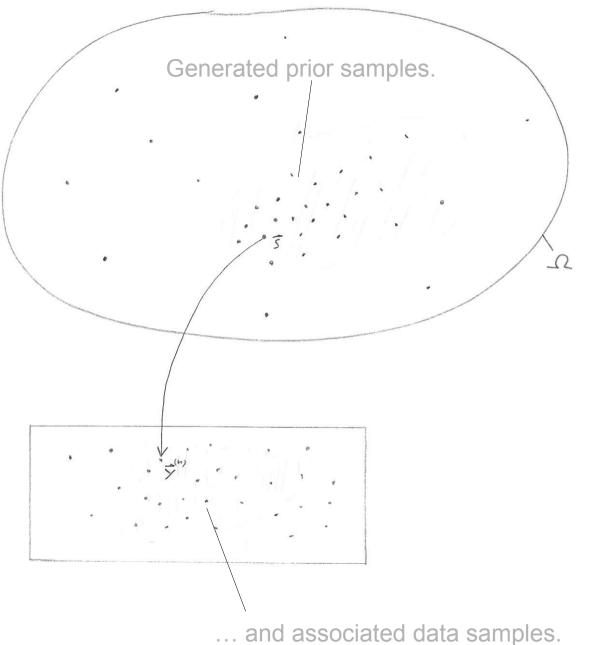
Lee & Mumford, J Opt Soc Am A, 2003 Wolfrum et al., Journal of Vision 2008 Westphal und Würtz, Neural Comp 2009 and many more ...

Preselection + Recurrent Recognition — Faster inference

... sounds like an approximate inference scheme.





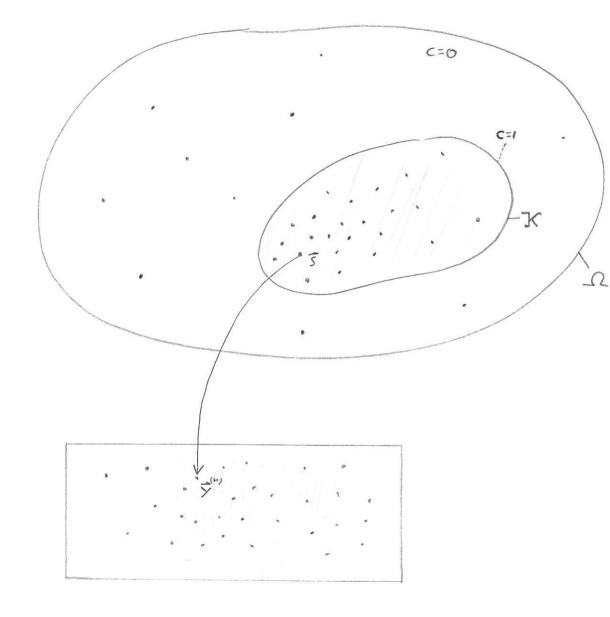


A generative model

 $\vec{s} \sim p(\vec{s} \,|\, \Theta)$ $\vec{y} \sim p(\vec{y} \,|\, \vec{s}, \Theta)$

... and associated data samples.

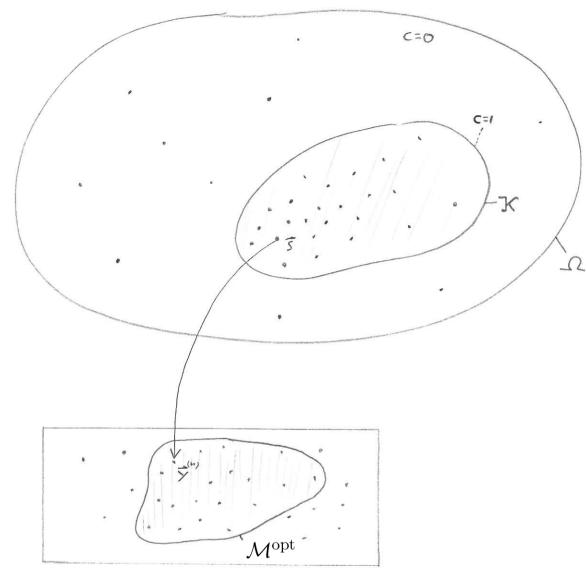




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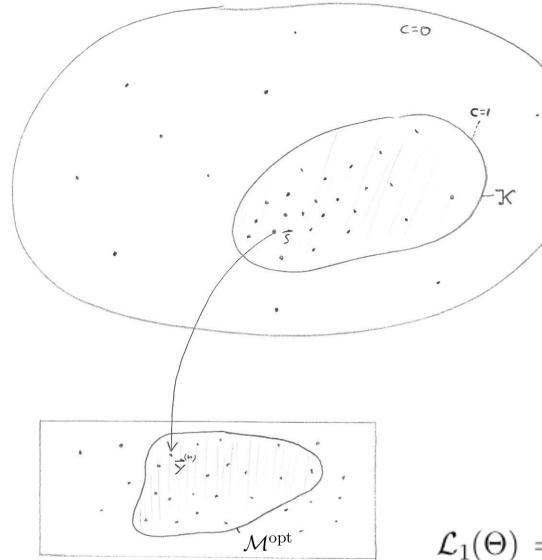
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The set \mathcal{K} should for the moment be thought of as being large enough such that it contains most prior mass throughout learning. Flexible sizes do not pose principle problems.





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$$\mathcal{L}_1(\Theta) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}^{\text{opt}}} \log(p(\vec{y}^{(n)} | c = 1, \Theta))$$

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This defines the likelihood of the truncated model. It is computed w.r.t. the corresponding data points.



$$\vec{s} \sim p(\vec{s} \mid \Theta)$$
reject \vec{s} if $\vec{s} \notin \mathcal{K}$

$$\vec{y} \sim p(\vec{y} \mid \vec{s}, \Theta)$$

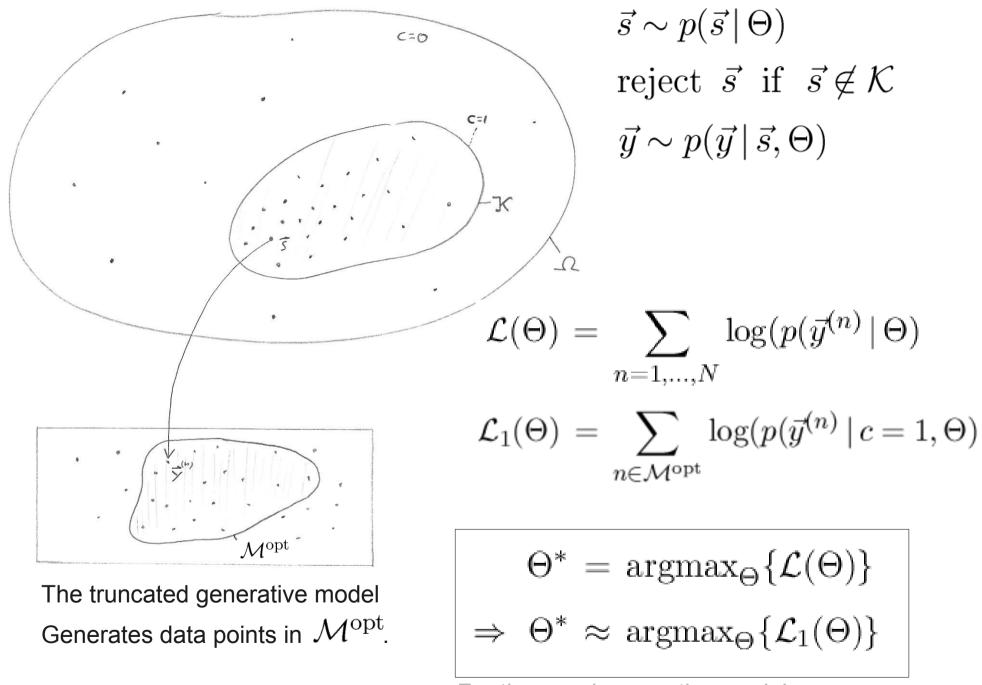
$$\mathcal{L}(\Theta) = \sum_{n=1,\dots,N} \log(p(\vec{y}^{(n)} \mid \Theta))$$

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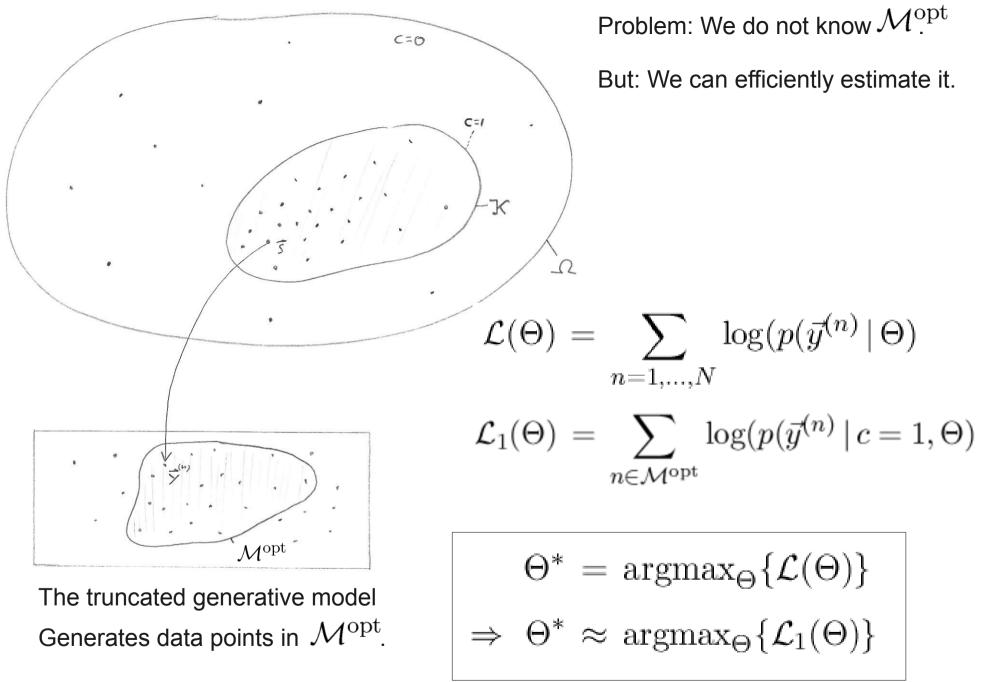
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What we really want to optimize is the original likelihood (top). To optimize it approximately, we can make use of an interesting relation that exists between the truncated likelihood (bottom) and the original likelihood one (at least if data and model match). It is given by ...

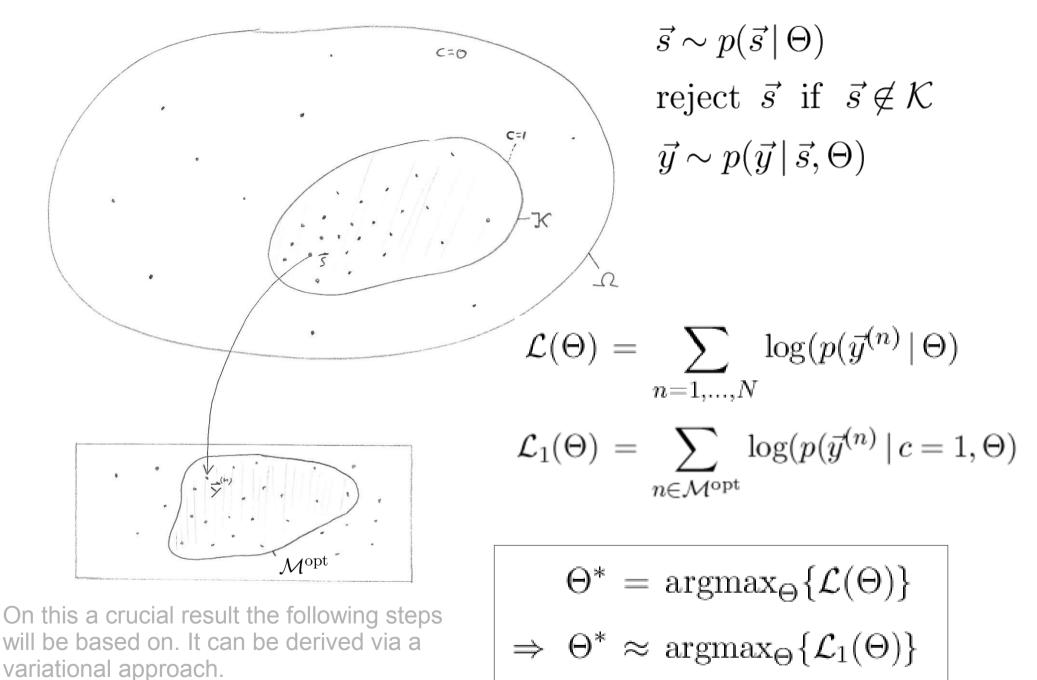






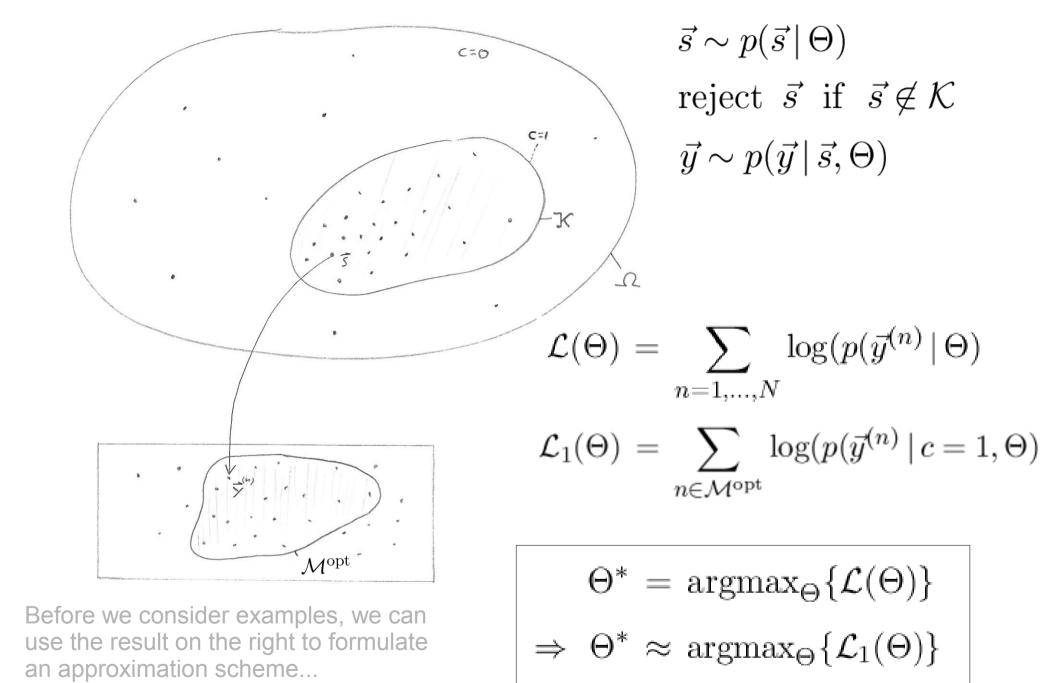






Note that it gives us a *necessary* condition for parameter optima.







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$$\mathcal{F}_{1}(q,\Theta) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}} \sum_{\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}} q^{(n)}(\vec{s};\Theta^{\text{old}}) \log\left(p(\vec{y}^{(n)} \mid \vec{s},\Theta) \frac{p(\vec{s} \mid \Theta)}{\sum_{\vec{s}' \in \mathcal{K}} p(\vec{s}' \mid \Theta)}\right) + H(q)$$

$$(n) (= \text{old}) \qquad p(\vec{s} \mid \vec{y}^{(n)},\Theta^{\text{old}}) \qquad (q \in \mathcal{K})$$

$$q^{(n)}(\vec{s};\Theta^{\text{old}}) = \frac{p(s \mid y^{(n)},\Theta^{\text{old}})}{\sum_{\vec{s}' \in \mathcal{K}} p(\vec{s}' \mid \vec{y}^{(n)},\Theta^{\text{old}})} \delta(\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K})$$

... this is a variational approximation.



 (Θ)



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Algorithm 1: Expectation Truncation (step 1)

Initial: select a state space volume \mathcal{K}

Data classification: find a data set \mathcal{M} that approximates $\mathcal{M}^{\mathrm{opt}}$

E-step: compute
$$q^{(n)}(\vec{s}; \Theta^{\text{old}}) = \frac{p(\vec{s}, \vec{y}^{(n)} | \Theta^{\text{old}})}{\sum_{\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}} p(\vec{s}, \vec{y}^{(n)} | \Theta^{\text{old}})}$$
 for all $\vec{y}^{(n)}$ and $\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}$
M-step: find parameters Θ such that

$$\frac{d}{d\Theta} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}} \sum_{\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}} q^{(n)}(\vec{s}; \Theta^{\text{old}}) \log \left(p(\vec{y}^{(n)} \mid \vec{s}, \Theta) \frac{p(\vec{s} \mid \Theta)}{\sum_{\vec{s}' \in \mathcal{K}} p(\vec{s}' \mid \Theta)} \right)$$



Example

 $\mathcal{K} = \{ \vec{s} \mid \sum_{j} s_{j} \leq \gamma \}$

The choice assumes that on average only few components generate a data point.

Binary Sparse Coding (BSC):

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This is a sparse coding generative model with binary hidden units.

Henniges et al., 2010

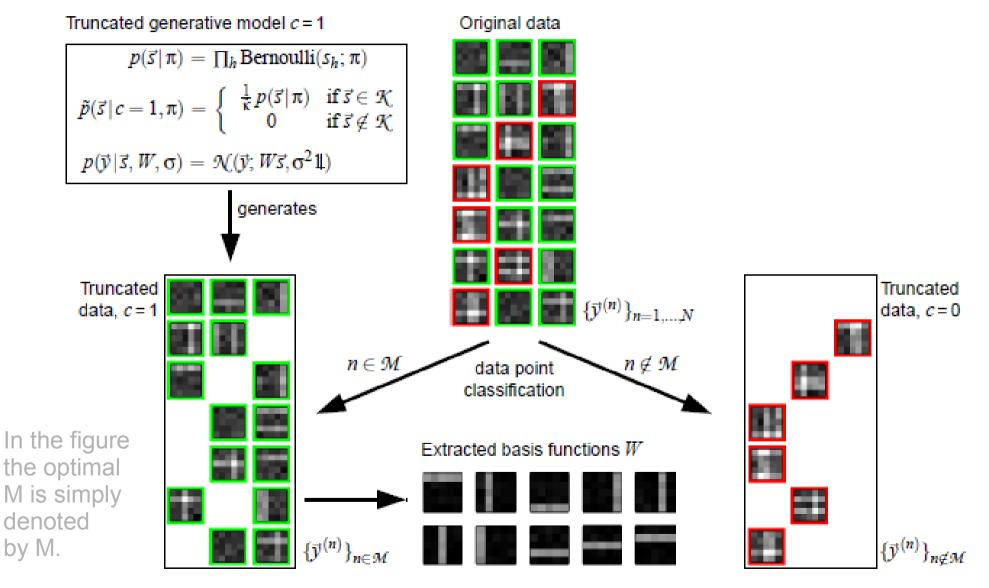




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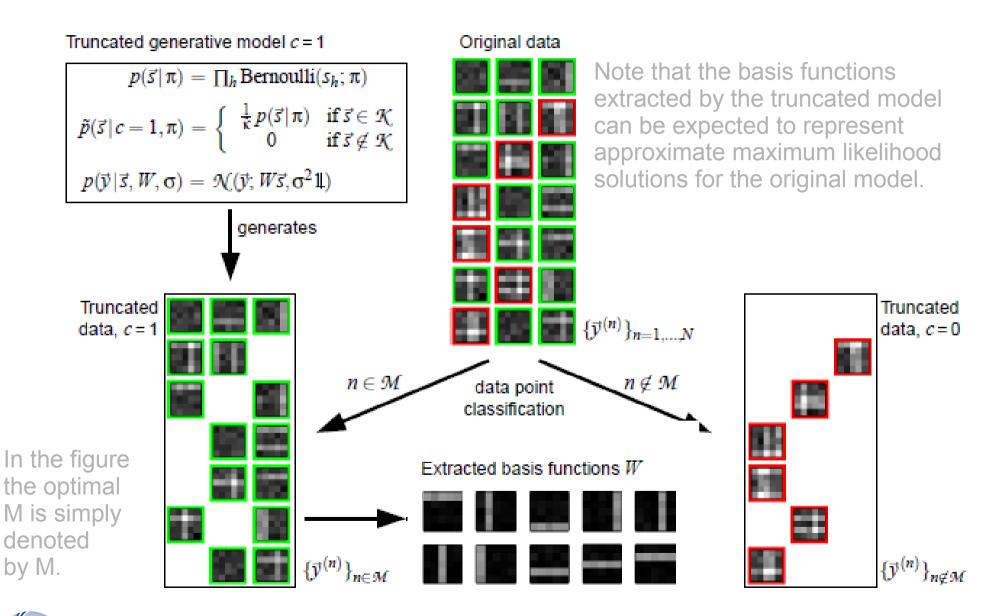
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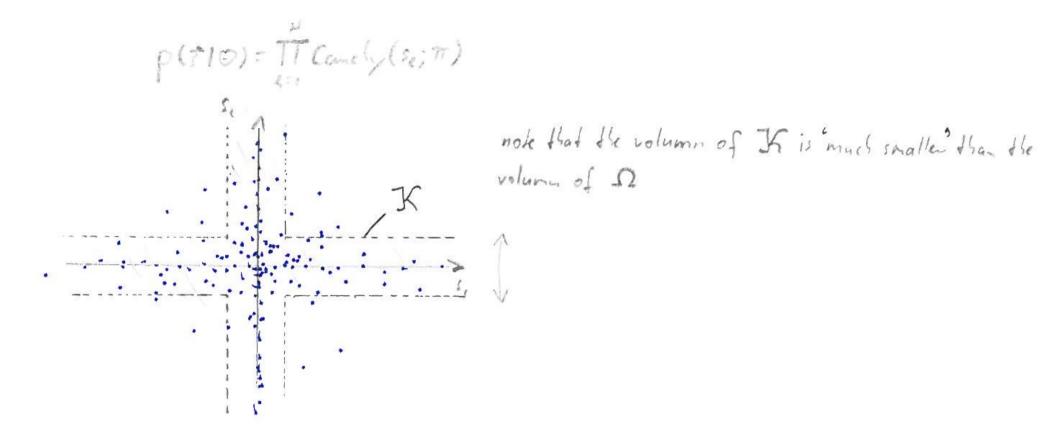
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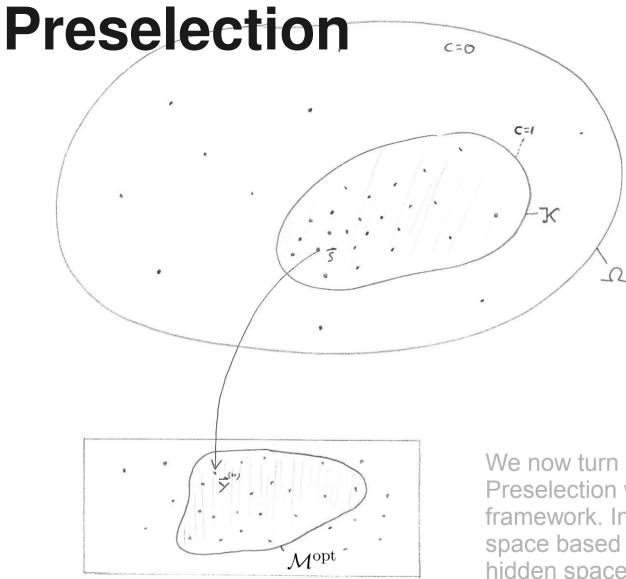


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Example Sparse Coding

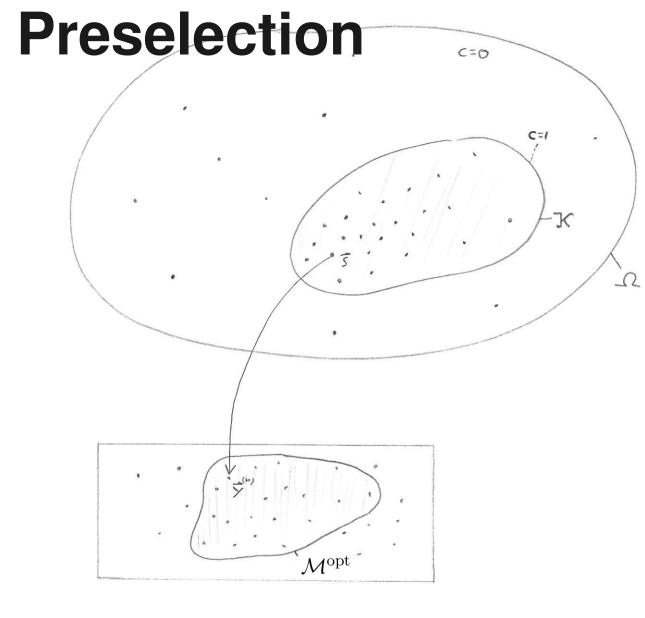




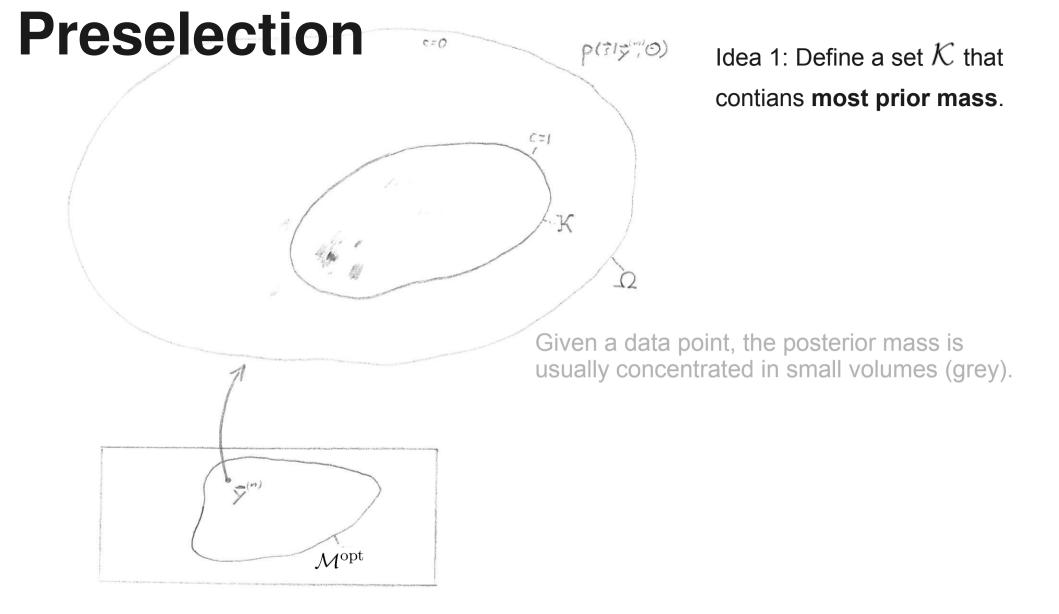


We now turn our attention back to preselection. Preselection will be formulated within the same framework. Instead of constraining the hidden space based on the prior, it will constrain the hidden space based on the posterior.

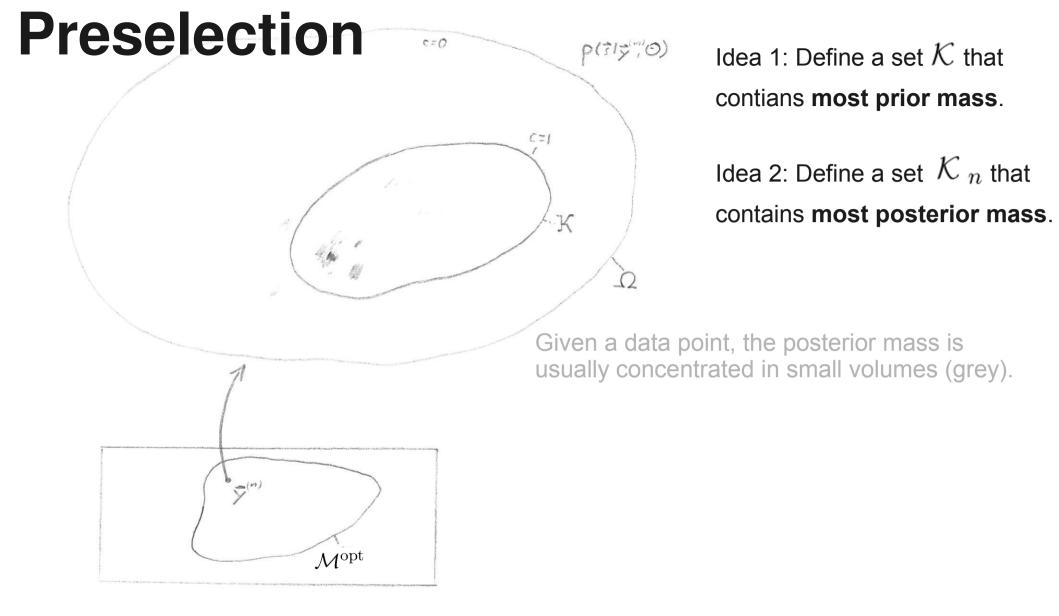




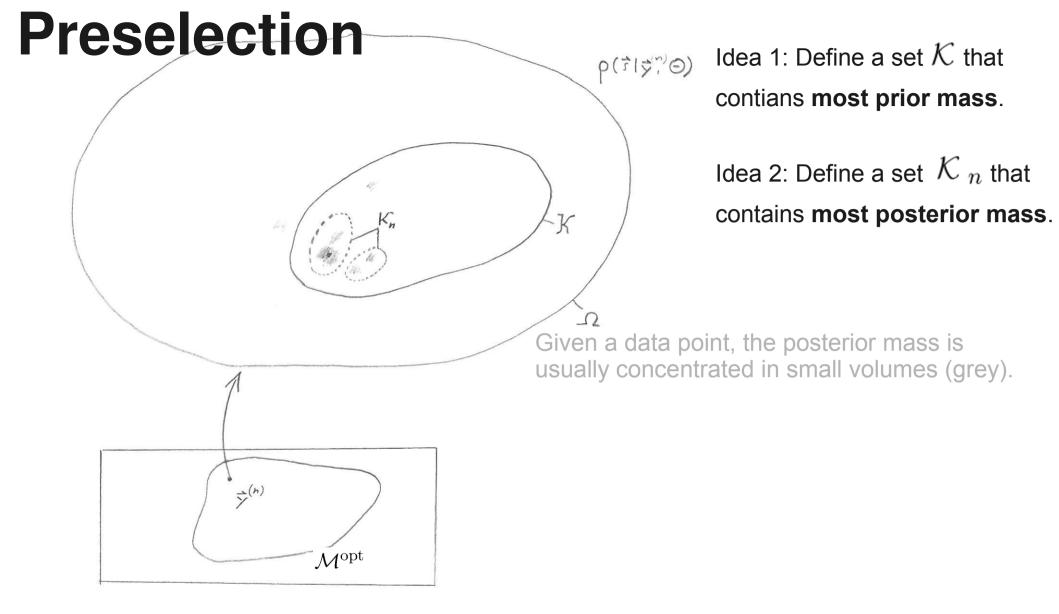




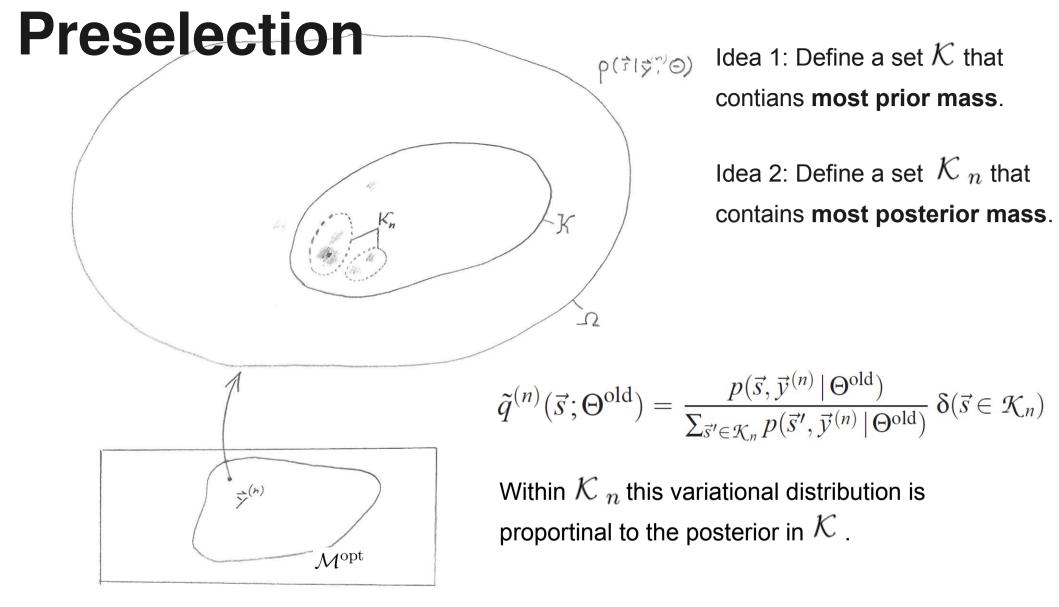




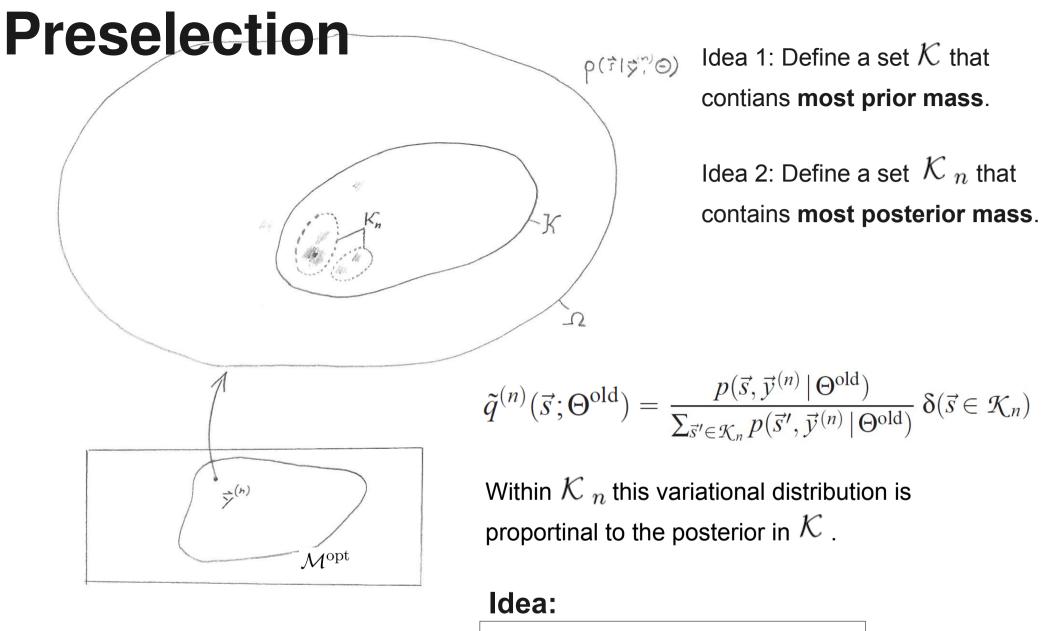












Find \mathcal{K}_n by fast preselection!



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Algorithm 2: Expectation Truncation (step 1 + 2)

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E-step: compute
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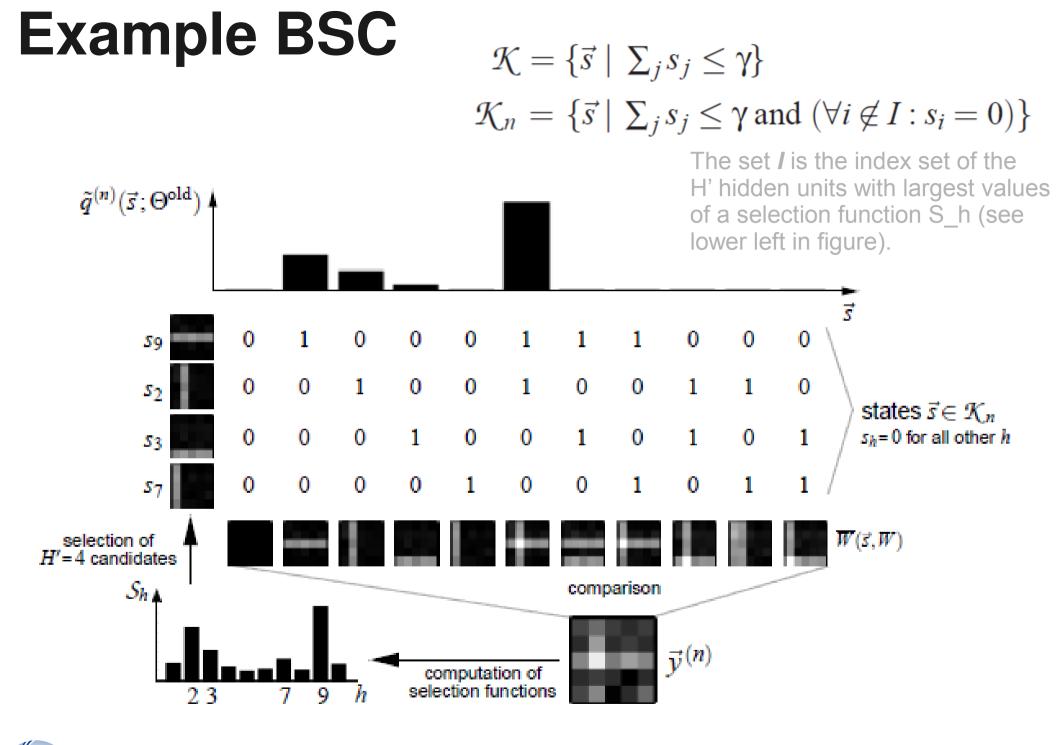
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$$\sigma^{\text{new}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{|\mathcal{M}| D} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}} \left\langle \left| \left| \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)} - W \, \boldsymbol{s} \right| \right|^2 \right\rangle_{q_n}}$$

These update rules are essentially the same. Only the summation and expectations change.

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$$\pi^{\text{new}} = \frac{A(\pi)\pi}{B(\pi)} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{M}|} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}} \left\langle |s| \right\rangle_{q_n}$$

Because of the modified free-energy the update of prior parameters changes more significantly.



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$$\langle g(\boldsymbol{s}) \rangle_{q^{(n)}} = \frac{\sum_{\boldsymbol{s} \in \mathcal{K}_n} p(\boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)} \| \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{\text{old}}) g(\boldsymbol{s})}{\sum_{\boldsymbol{\tilde{s}} \in \mathcal{K}_n} p(\boldsymbol{\tilde{s}}, \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)} | \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{\text{old}})}$$

Efficiently computable ET expectation value.

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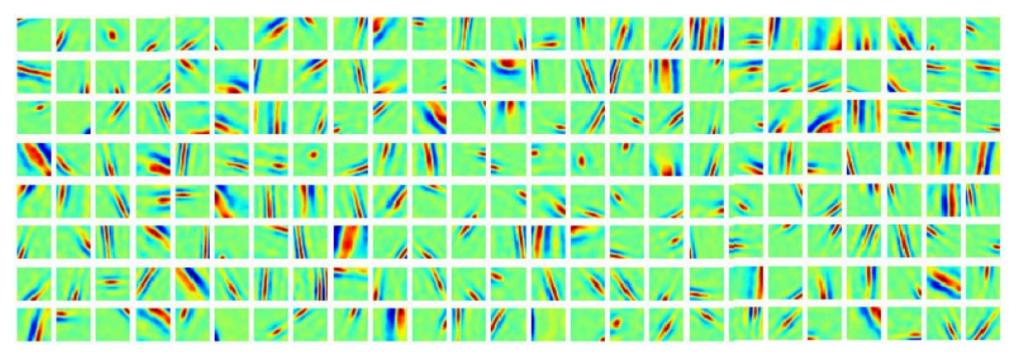
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Example BSC

Binary Sparse Coding can now be scaled up and can, e.g., be applied to image patches:

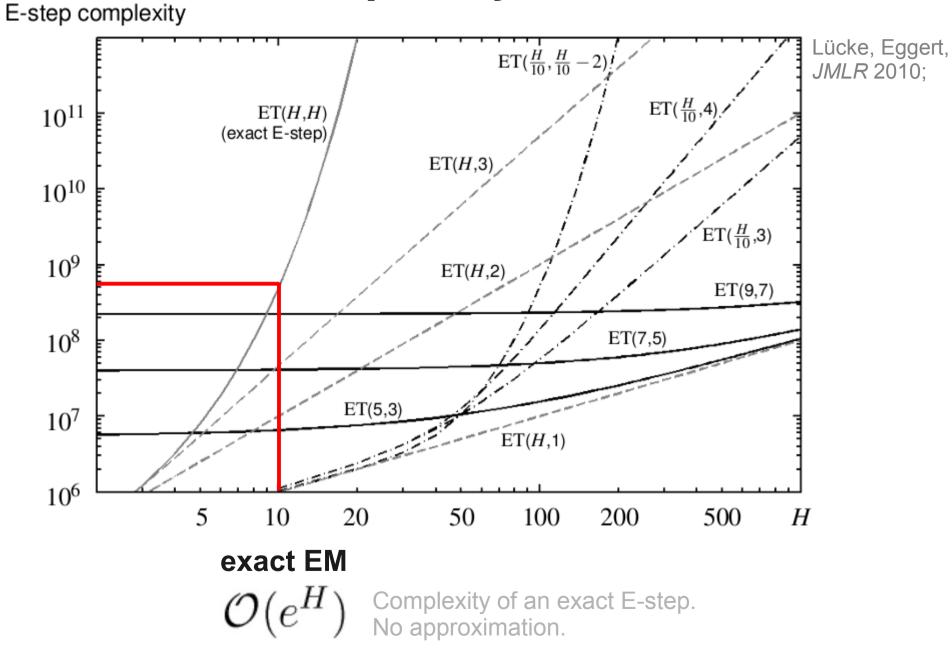


Random selection of 200 of 700 basis functions if Binary Sparse Coding is applied to natural image patches (Henniges et al., Proc. LVA/ICA 2010).

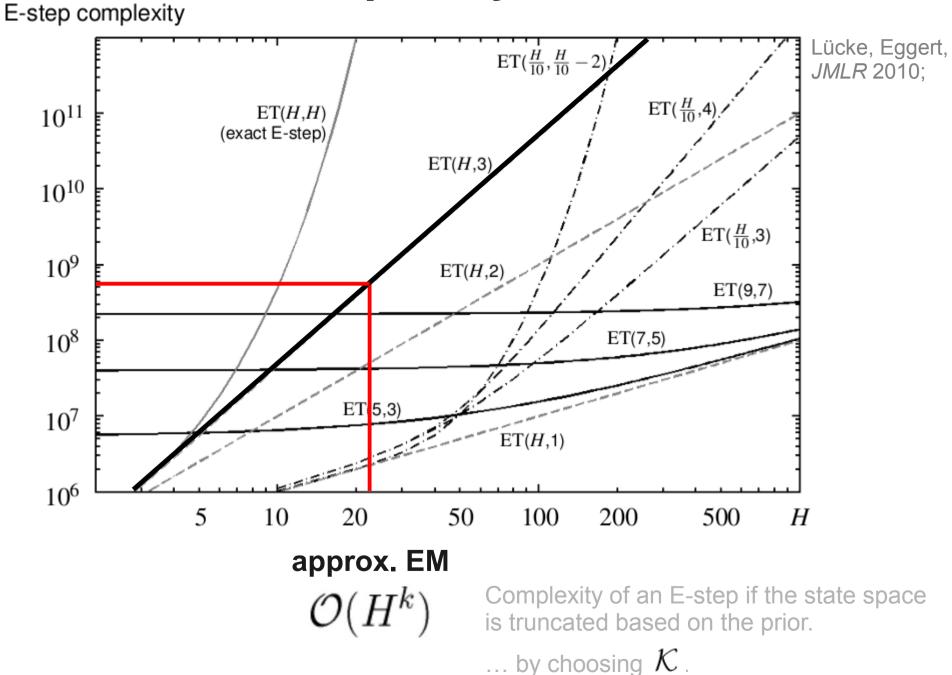
Animations showing basis function modifications and the selection of data set M are provided on: fias.uni-frankfurt.de/cnml \rightarrow Selected Publications



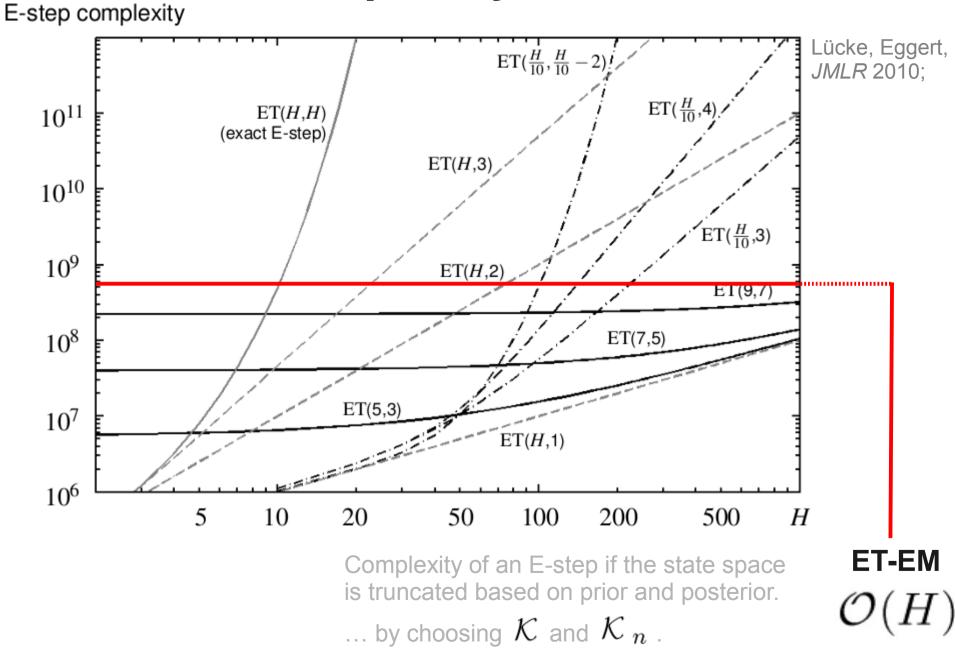




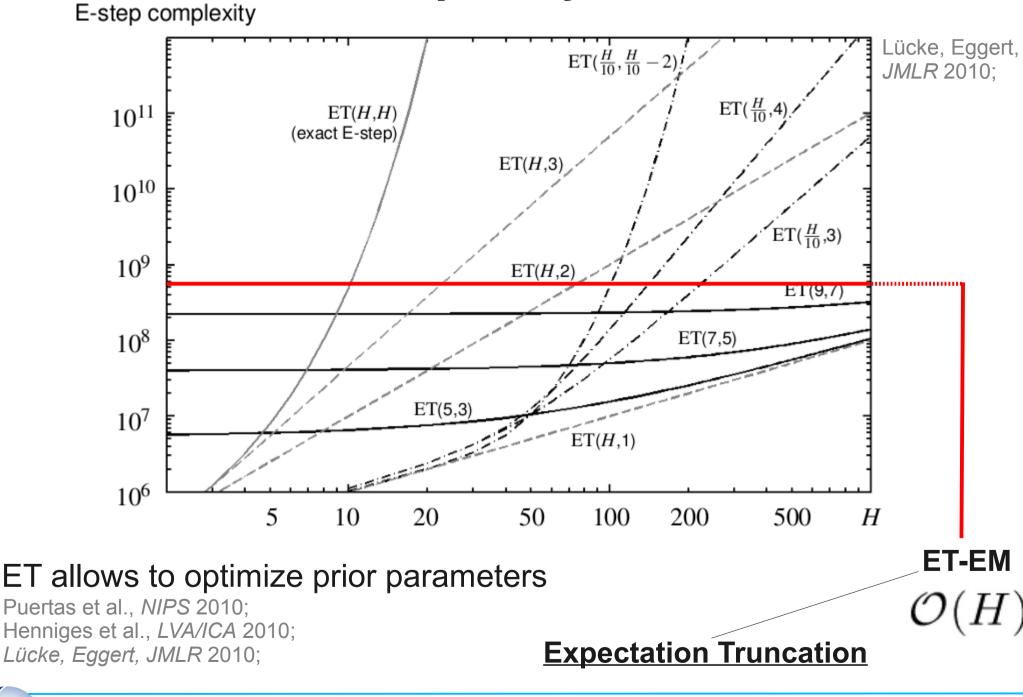




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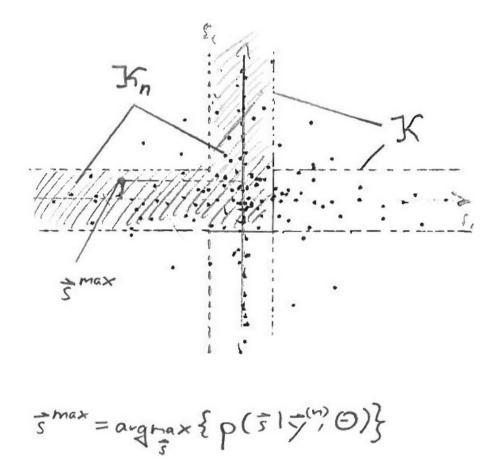






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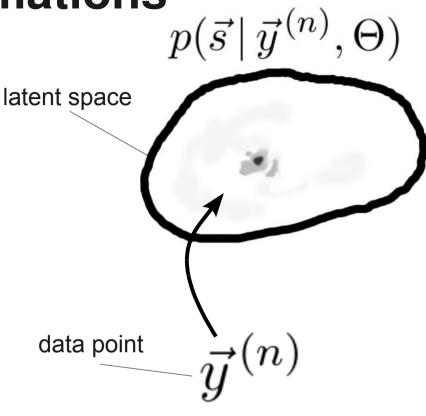
Example Sparse Coding



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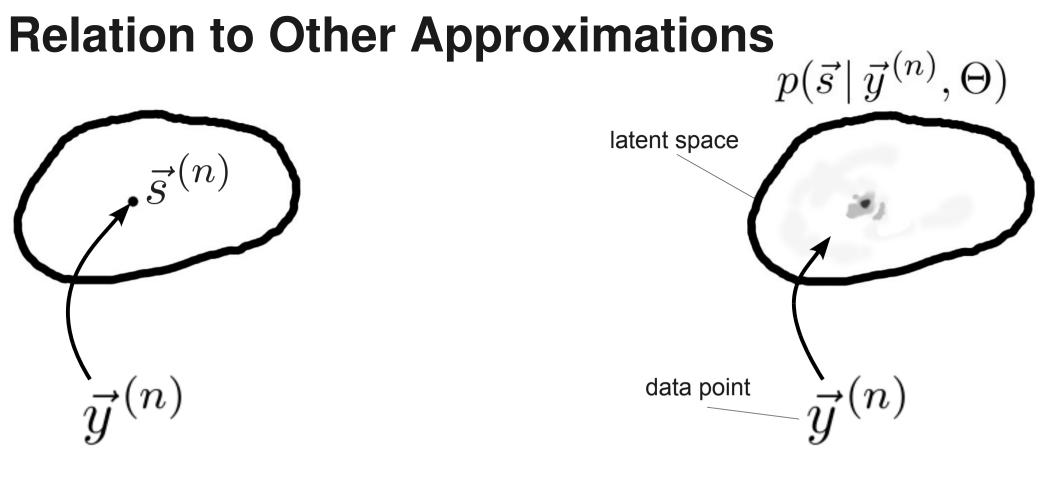


Relation to Other Approximations



optimal case

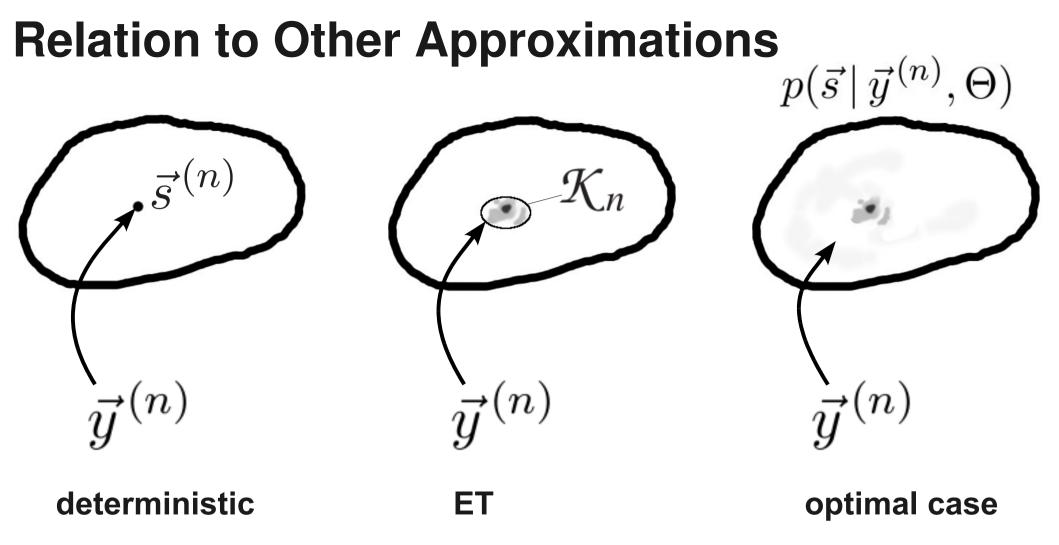




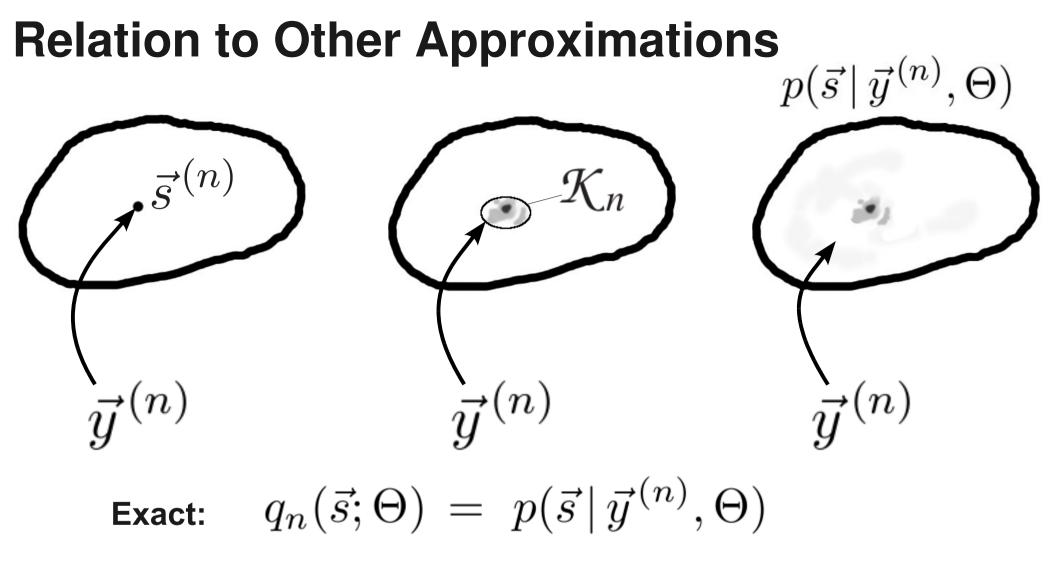
deterministic

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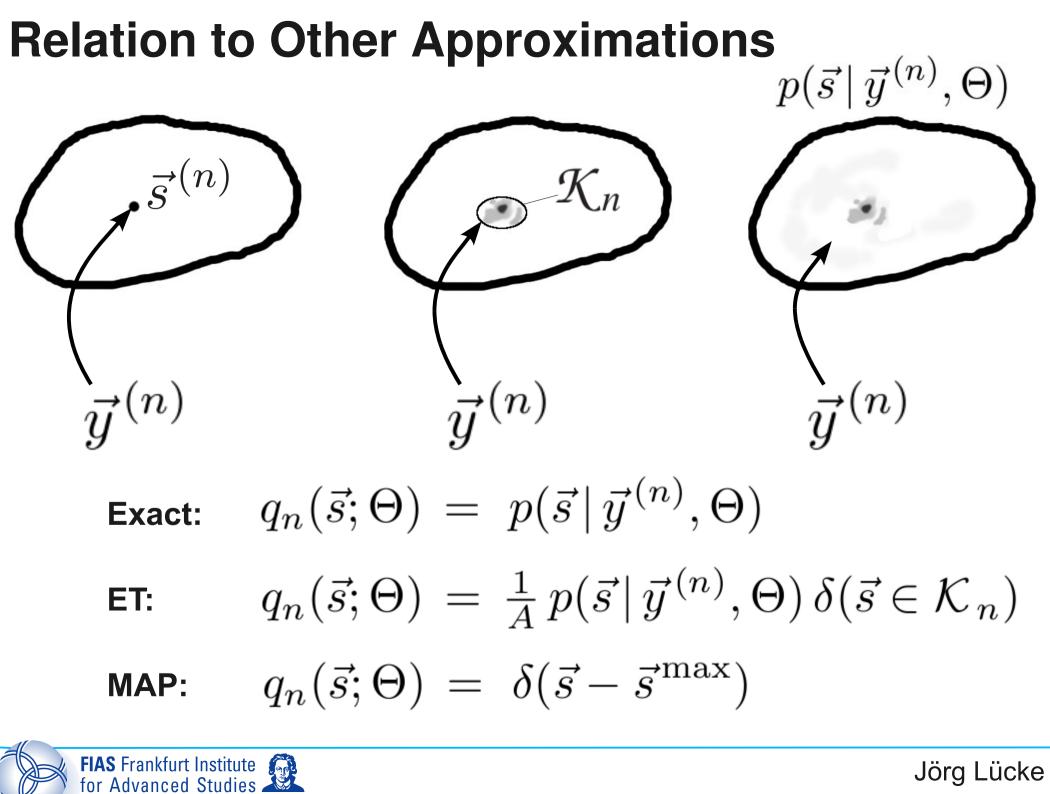






MAP: $q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \delta(\vec{s} - \vec{s}^{\max})$

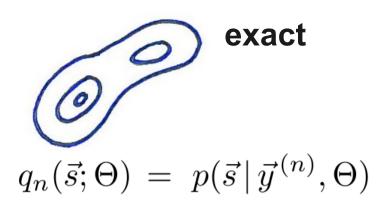




Relation to Other Approximations

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{exact:} & q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = p(\vec{s} \,|\, \vec{y}^{\,(n)},\Theta) \\ \mbox{MAP:} & q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \delta(\vec{s} - \vec{s}^{\max}) \\ \mbox{Laplace:} & q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \mathcal{N}(\vec{s};\, \vec{s}^{\max},\Sigma) \\ \mbox{factored:} & q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \prod_h q_{h,\vec{\lambda}_n}^{(n)}(s_h;\Theta) \\ \mbox{truncated:} & q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \frac{1}{A} \, p(\vec{s} \,|\, \vec{y}^{\,(n)},\Theta) \, \delta(\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}_n) \end{array}$$



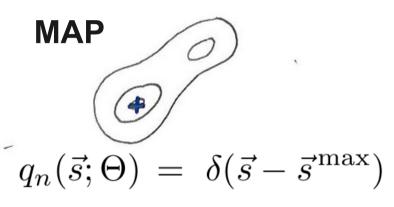


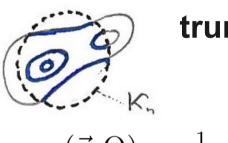


factored (mean-field)

 $q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \prod q_{h,\vec{\lambda}_n}^{(n)}(s_h;\Theta)$

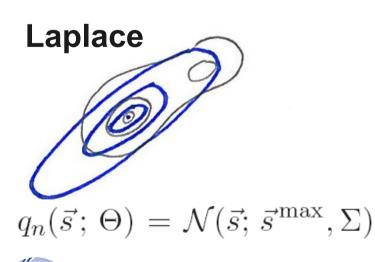
minimize KL(q, p)

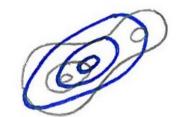




truncated (ET)

 $q_n(\vec{s};\Theta) = \frac{1}{A} p(\vec{s} | \vec{y}^{(n)}, \Theta) \,\delta(\vec{s} \in \mathcal{K}_n)$





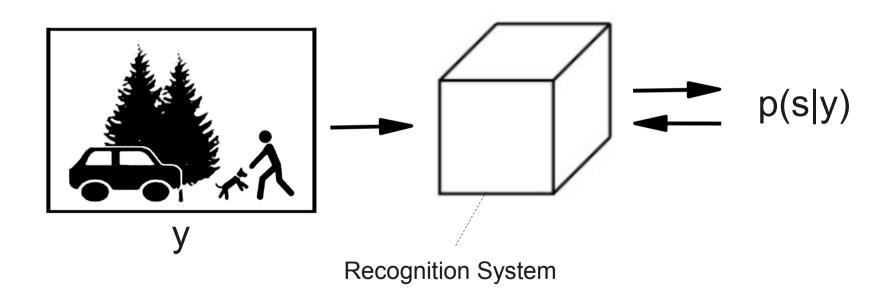
expectation propagation

minimize $\mathrm{KL}(p,q)$

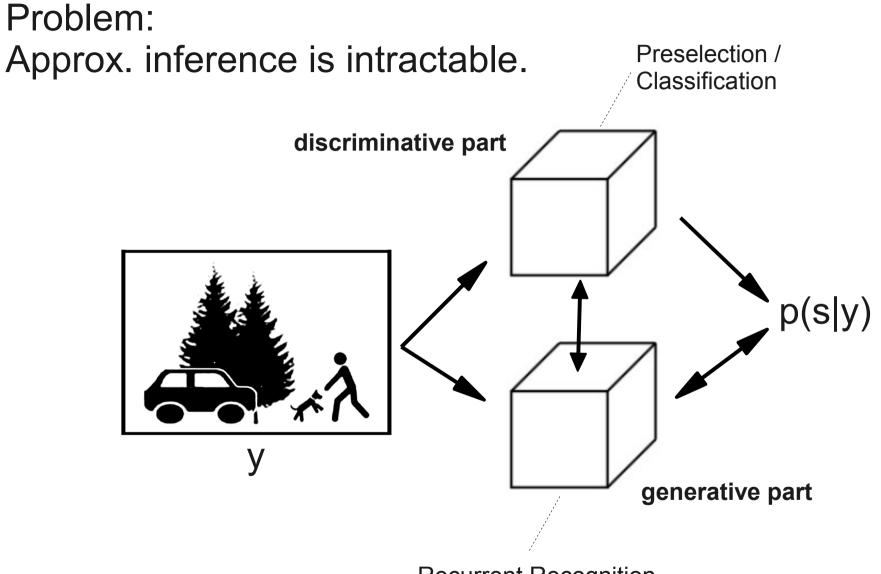
Visualization of variational approaches can differ based on different functinal forms of the factor distributions or the selected set K .



Problem: Exact inference is intractable.

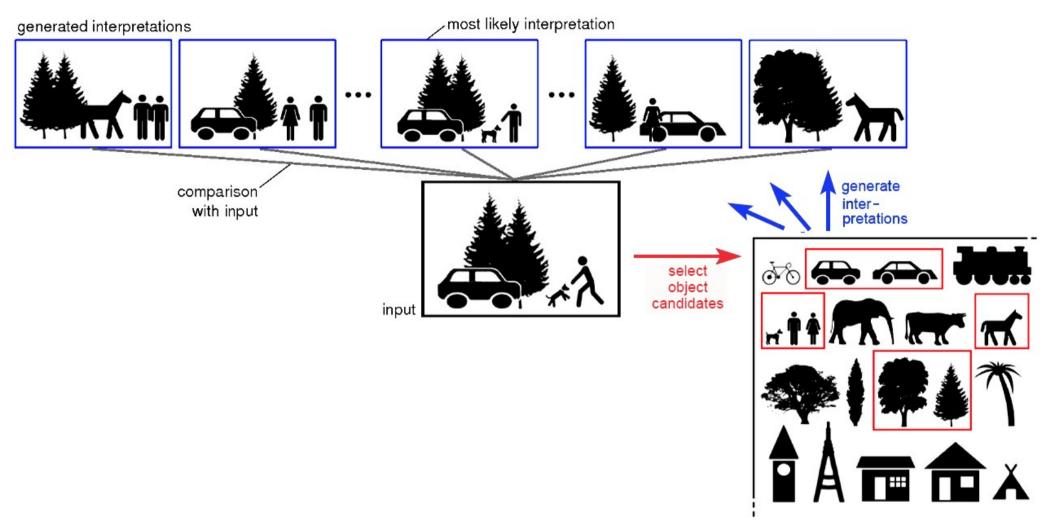




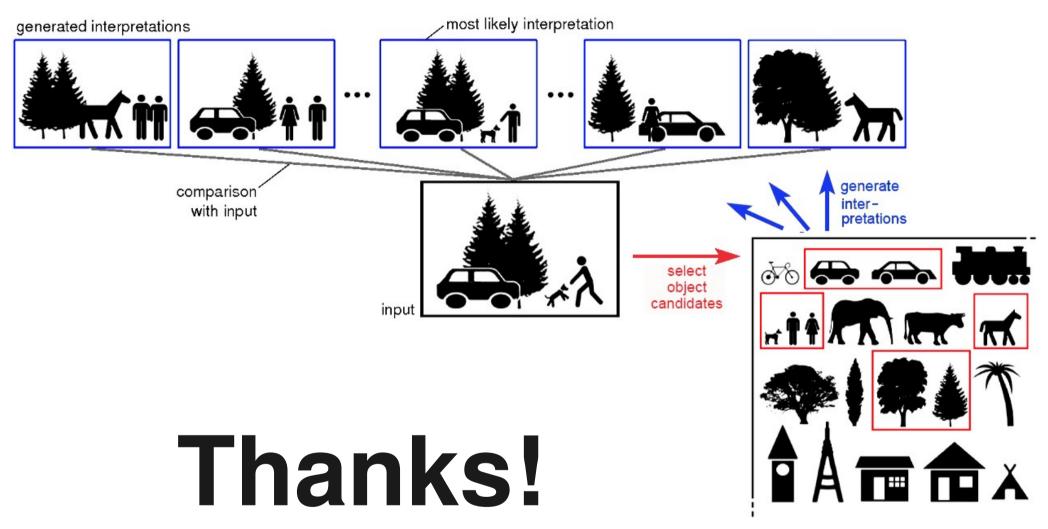


Recurrent Recognition









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