



# The AI Mathematician

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- UK's only independent research institute for maths; modelled after IAS, Princeton
- Founded in 2011 by Dr. Thomas Fink
- Housed in the Faraday Suites of the Royal Institution of Great Britain
- **1 of 23 themes: AI for Maths Discovery**  
<https://lims.ac.uk/event/ai-assisted-maths-discovery/>
- 2022 Est: Arnold & Laudau Fellowships





# How does one DO mathematics?

Bottom-Up as a formal logical system

Top-Down as a creative/intuitive art

Meta-Mathematics as a language

Review, YHH: A Triumvirate of AI Driven Theoretical Discovery, 2405.19973 *Nature Rev. Phys*, 2024

Review, YHH: Machine-Learning Mathematical Structures, 2101.06317 *IJMSDS* 2021



- speed-up in computations & modelling: goes without saying
- crucial to increasing number of important theorems
  - 4-color [Appel-Haken-Koch 1976]
  - Kepler Conjecture [Hales 1998, formal check + acceptance 2017]
  - Classification of Finite Simple Groups [Galois 1832 - Gorenstein et al. 2008]
  - ...



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**Automated Theorem Proving (ATP)** a long tradition

- **Newell-Simon-Shaw** [1956] Logical Theory Machine  $\rightsquigarrow$  proved some *Principia*
- Type Theory [1970s] **Martin-Löf, Coquand**
- Univalent Foundation / Homotopy Type Theory [2006-] **Voevodsky**





# Bottom-Up (won't say much)

- **Coq** interactive proving system: 4-color (2005); Feit-Thompson Thm (2012);
- **Lean** (2013-) all of undergraduate maths
- **Davenport**: ICM 2018 “Computer Assisted Proofs”
- **Buzzard**: ICM 2022: **XenaProject** (Lean)
- Gowers-Green-Manner-Tao (2023): Freiman-Rusza-Martón Conj (Lean Pf)
- **Tao**: Oxford/LMS public lecture 2024
- over-optimistic view **Szegedy** (DeepMind): computers  $>$  humans @ chess (1990s); @ Go (2018); @ Proving theorems (2030)



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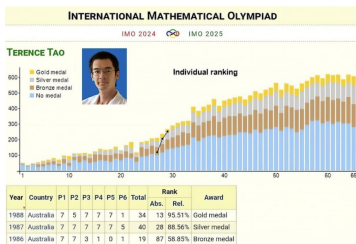
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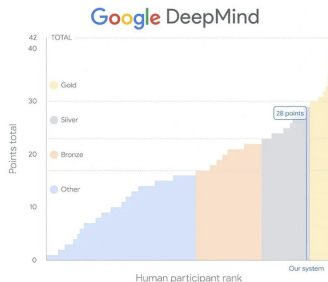
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# 2024: AI $\simeq$ 12 year old Terry Tao

(Terence Tao, 28 points - Silver Medal; AlphaGeo2, 28 points - Silver Medal)



Score on IMO 2024 problems



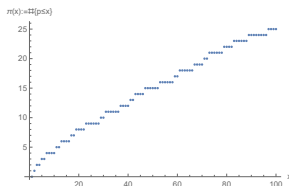
Graph showing performance of our AI system relative to human competitors at IMO 2024. We earned 28 out of 42 total points, achieving the same level as a silver medalist in the competition.



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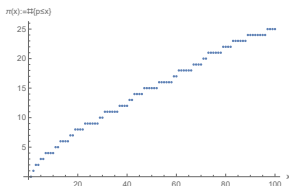
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- **BSD** computer experiment of **Birch & Swinnerton-Dyer** [1960's] on plots of rank  $r$  &  $N_p$  on elliptic curves

# Technically, Moses



**was the first person  
with a tablet  
downloading data  
from the cloud**



The age of data science in mathematics/theoretical physics not as recent as you might think





# Pattern Recognition: Human Eye

- $[0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, \dots]$









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One (only?) sure thing that AI can do better than humans is **pattern detection**.



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- pass to standard classifiers: SVW, Bayes, Nearest Neighbour; NN of the form  $\mathbb{R}^{100} \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} \mathbb{R}^{20} \xrightarrow{\tanh} \mathbb{R}^{20} \xrightarrow{\text{Round}} \sum \mathbb{Z}$ , your kitchen sink, ...
- take 50,000 samples, 20-80 cross-validation, record (precision, MCC)
- similar performance for most: Mod3: **(1.0, 1.0)**; PrimeQ, after balancing: **(0.8, 0.6)**; Liouville  $\Lambda$ : **(0.5, 0.001)**





- A typical calculation:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{What Bourbaki teaches us} \longrightarrow h^{2,1}(X) = 22$$

- [YHH 1706.02714] Deep-Learning the Landscape, *PLB* 774, 2017;  
(cf. Feature in *Science*, Aug, vol 365 issue 6452, 2019 ): think of it as an image processing problem



$$\longrightarrow \text{What Machine-Learning teaches us} \longrightarrow 22$$

# Thank you! Since 2017-



## fantastic students

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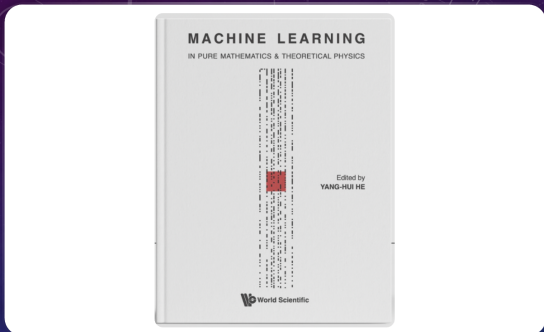
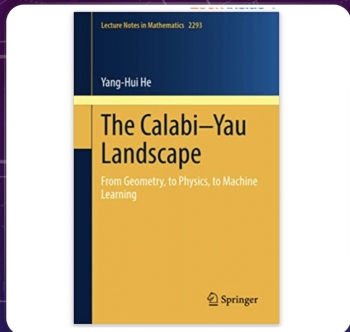
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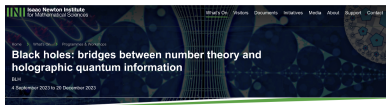


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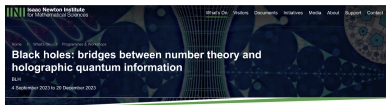
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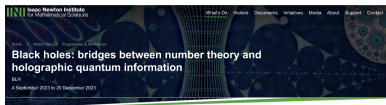
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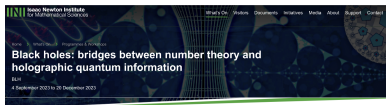
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- 2022 Murmuration Phenomenon A new pattern in the primes, relation to BSD and a bias in L-coefficients of elliptic curves [YHH-Lee-Oliver-Podznyakov, 2022, YHH-Lee-Oliver-Podznyakov-Sutherland, 2024] made Buzzard/Birch almost happy (still not completely: human intervention was needed)





# ML Experiments in Number Theory

2017-8 YHH (1706.02714, 1812.02893)

- Predicting primes  $2 \rightarrow 3$ ,  $2, 3 \rightarrow 5$ ,  $2, 3, 5 \rightarrow 7$ ; no way
- PrimeQ: (0.7, 0.8); Sarnak's Challenge of Liouville Lambda (0.5, 0.001)

2019 (Alessandretti-Baronchelli-YHH 1911.02008) [ML/TDA@BSD](#) from Weierstrass representation; naive attempt

2020-21 (YHH-KH Lee-Oliver):

2010.01213: Complex Multiplication, Sato-Tate (0.99 ~ 1.0, 0.99 ~ 1.0); 2011.08958: Number Fields: rank and Galois group (0.97, 0.9); 2012.04084: BSD from Euler coeffs, integer points, torsion (0.99, 0.9); Tate-Shafarevich III (0.6, 0.8) [Hardest quantity of BSD]

# AI-Driven Mathematical Discovery: Murmuration



2022 - YHH, Kyu-Hwan Lee, Tom Oliver, Alexey Pozdnyakov (2204.10140)

Quanta Feature 2024:





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- cubic (Elliptic Curve) HARD!!!!
  - e.g.,  $E : x^3 + y^2 = 1$  (Thm: **Weierstrass form**  $y^2 = x^3 - g_2x - g_4$ )
  - has enormous implications: e.g. Fermat's Last Theorem
  - Thm:  $E(\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^r \times Z_{tor}$  (**r rank** = # infinite families of solutions)
  - Work modulo prime  $p$ , e.g.,  $2^3 + 4^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$ ,  $3^3 + 2^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$
  - **Euler Coefficients**  $a_p = p + 1 - \#E(\mathbb{F}_p)$

- $E$  an elliptic curve, local zeta-function & L-function:

$$Z(E/\mathbb{F}_p; T) = \exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\#E(\mathbb{F}_{p^k})T^k}{k}\right) = \frac{L_p(E, T)}{(1-T)(1-pT)} ;$$

$$L_p(E, T) = 1 - a_p T + pT^2; \quad a_p = p + 1 - \#E(\mathbb{F}_p).$$

Fix  $N$  and define vector  $v_L(E) = (a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_N}) \in \mathbb{Z}^N$ ;

$\sim 10^5$  balanced data from [www.lmfdb.org](http://www.lmfdb.org); 50-50 cross validation.

- **Labeled data:**  $v_L(E) \longrightarrow$  rank, torsion, ... ([Birch-Swinnerton-Dyer: ])

$$L(E, s) := \prod_p L^{-1}(E, T := p^{-s}); \quad \frac{L^{(r)}(E, 1)}{r!} \stackrel{???}{=} \frac{|\text{III}| \Omega \text{Reg} \prod_p c_p}{(\#E(\mathbb{Q})_{\text{tors}})^2},$$

$r$ =rank; III=Shafarevich group; Reg=regulator;  $c_p$ =Tamagawa; tors=Torsion



# Important Lesson: HYBRID human-AI math

## Importance of Representation

(Alessandretti-Baronchelli-YHH 1911.02008, *New Scientist* feature 2019 used Weierstrass coefficients of elliptic curves: useless in predicting any of the BSD quantities  
needed insights from Oliver+Lee to use  $a_p$  coefficients

## Importance of Human Interpretation

*Murmurations of elliptic curves*: YHH, Lee, Oliver, Pozdnyakov, 2204.10140  
A new mathematical phenomenon

# The Murmuration Phenomenon

Q: YHH, Lee, Oliver, Pozdnyakov on HLOP results from 2020 - 22: **WHY is ML so good** at telling ranks apart by looking at  $a_p$  coefficients?? e.g., PCA:

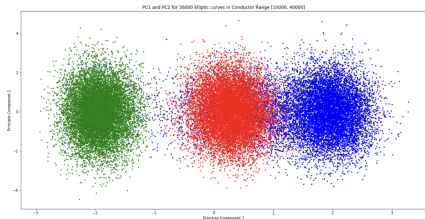


Figure 2: A plot of PC1 ( $x$ -axis) against PC2 ( $y$ -axis) for elliptic curves in the balanced dataset of 36,000 randomly chosen elliptic curves with rank  $r_E \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  and conductor  $N_E \in [10000, 40000]$ . The blue (resp. red, green) points are the images of the vectors  $v_L(E)$  corresponding to the elliptic curves in our dataset with rank 0 (resp. 1, 2) under a map  $\mathbb{R}^{1000} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  constructed using PCA.

# Murmuration function

construct a **vertical average**  
 (rank  $r$ , conductor range  
 $[N_1, N_2]$ ,  $n$ -th prime  $p_n$ )

$$f_r(n) := \frac{1}{\#\mathcal{E}_r[N_1, N_2]} \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_r[N_1, N_2]} a_{p_n}(E)$$

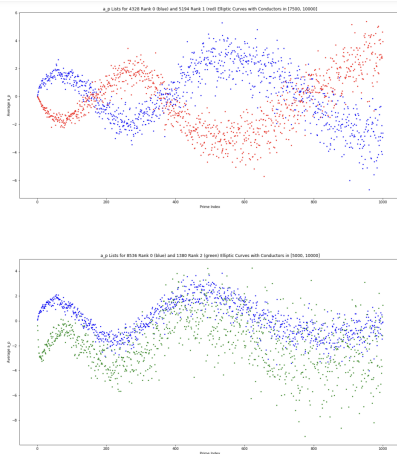


Figure 1: (Top) Plots of the functions  $f_0(n)$  (blue) and  $f_1(n)$  (red) for  $1 \leq n \leq 1000$  and  $[N_1, N_2] = [7500, 10000]$ . (Bottom) Plots of the functions  $f_0(n)$  (blue) and  $f_2(n)$  (green) for  $1 \leq n \leq 1000$  and  $[N_1, N_2] = [5000, 10000]$ . Further details are given in Example 1.





# Murmurations: An interesting Phenomenon

- To appear [HLOP + Sutherland]
  - Does not work if ordered by height (Weierstrass coef)
  - Take dyadic conductor range:  $[N^x, N^{x+1}]$  : **scale invariant** (indep of  $x$ )
  - Taking more data ( $10^{7\sim 8}$ ) at high  $N$ : converges to oscillatory curve
- A General Phenomenon that reflects **biases in distribution of primes**
  - L-function for Dirichlet characters (Lee-Oliver-Podznyakov 2023)
  - Zubrilina, Cowan: for weight 2 modular forms (2023)
  - conference at ICERM in July  
<https://icerm.brown.edu/events/htw-23-ma/>



# Mathematical Conjectures: Three Centuries

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C19th Gauss's eyes on  $\pi(x) \sim \int_2^x \frac{dx}{\ln(x)}$

C20th Birch + Swinnerton-Dyer on the EDSAC-2 computer@Cambridge

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The future of mathematics is a combination of

- Bottom-up ATP using AI
- Top-Down machine-guided human intuition using AI
- Mathematics as LLM using AI



"I have often wondered over the roles of knowledge or experience, on the one hand, and imagination or intuition, on the other, in the process of discovery. I believe that there is a certain fundamental conflict between the two, and knowledge, by advocating caution, tends to inhibit the flight of imagination. Therefore, a certain naivete, unburdened by conventional wisdom, can sometimes be a positive asset."

- Harish-Chandra Mehrotra






# Initial Motivation: A Classic Problem (since 1736)

- Trichotomy classification of (connected compact orientable) surfaces  $\Sigma$

**Euler:** topological classification of  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} = 2$  Euler number  $\chi(\Sigma)$ , genus  $g(\Sigma)$

**Gauss:** relates topology to metric geometry

**Riemann:** complexify  $\leadsto$  Riemann surfaces or complex curves:  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = 1$

					...
$g(\Sigma) = 0$	$g(\Sigma) = 1$	$g(\Sigma) > 1$			
$\chi(\Sigma) = 2$	$\chi(\Sigma) = 0$	$\chi(\Sigma) < 0$			
Spherical	Ricci-Flat	Hyperbolic			
+ curvature	0 curvature	- curvature			



# Classical Results for Riemann Surface $\Sigma$

$\chi(\Sigma) = 2 - 2g(\Sigma) =$	$= [c_1(\Sigma)] \cdot [\Sigma] =$	$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} R =$	$= \sum_{i=0}^2 (-1)^i h^i(\Sigma)$
Topology	Algebraic Geometry	Differential Geometry	Index Theorem (co-)Homology
Invariants	Characteristic classes	Curvature	Betti Numbers

# Going up in Complex Dimension

- $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} > 2$  manifolds extremely complicated
- Luckily, for a special class of complex manifolds called **Kähler**

$$g_{\mu\bar{\nu}} = \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\bar{\nu}}K(z, \bar{z})$$

all  $\Sigma$  in  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = 1$  automatically Kähler

- **CONJECTURE [E. Calabi, 1954, 1957]:**  $M$  compact Kähler manifold  $(g, \omega)$  and  $([R] = [c_1(M)])_{H^{1,1}(M)}$ .  
Then  $\exists!(\tilde{g}, \tilde{\omega})$  such that  $([\omega] = [\tilde{\omega}])_{H^2(M; \mathbb{R})}$  and  $Ricci(\tilde{\omega}) = R$ .

**Rmk:**  $c_1(M) = 0 \Leftrightarrow$  Ricci-flat (rmk: Ricci-flat familiar to physicists through GR)

- **THEOREM [S-T Yau, 1977-8; Fields 1982]** Existence Proof

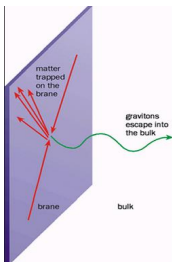
# Superstring Theory 9+1 d

Unified theory of quantum gravity



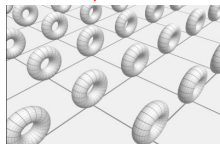
I. 6 Large Dim

AdS/CFT  
Brane World



II. 6 small dim

Compactification



1. Reduce Dim:  $10 = 6+4$
2. Break SUSY

String

Quarks

u	c	t
d	s	b

Leptons

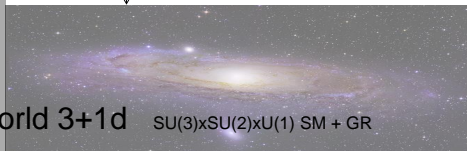
e	$\mu$	$\tau$
$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$

Higgs

Forces

Z	$\gamma$
W	g

Our world 3+1d



Phenomenology [Candelas-Horowitz-Strominger-Witten]: 1985

simplest solution of 6 extra dimensions: Ricci-Flat, Kähler  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = 3$

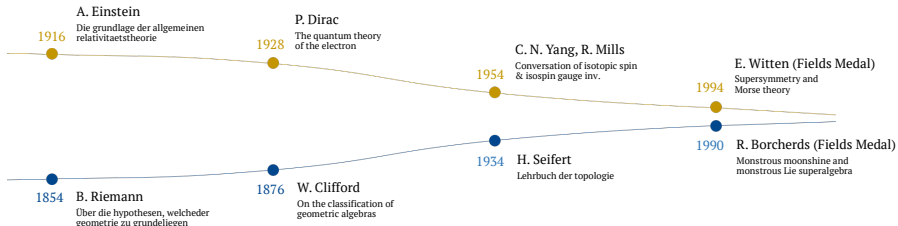


# When Physics meets Maths

- Strominger was next door to Yau in 1986 at the IAS, physicists called Ricci-Flat, Kähler manifolds, CHSW called these **Calabi-Yau** manifolds
- GEOMETRIZATION PROGRAMME: Historically, the right language of physics is increasingly geometrical:
  - Gravity/Space-time  $\rightsquigarrow$  GR  $\rightsquigarrow$  Differential geometry;
  - Particle physics/Standard Model  $\rightsquigarrow$  Gauge Theory/Yang-Mills  $\rightsquigarrow$  Algebraic geometry (bundles/connections) + group theory (Lie and Finite groups);
  - Condensed matter physics of topological insulators  $\rightsquigarrow$  algebraic topology; ...
  - String theory is a brain-child of this tradition
- TAKE-HOME MESSAGE: Whenever physics and maths converge and generate new ideas, the right things are happening

# The Confluence of Maths and Physics

## Physics



## Mathematics

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1959

## The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in the Natural Sciences

Richard Courant Lecture in Mathematical Sciences delivered at New York University,  
May 11, 1959

EUGENE P. WIGNER  
Princeton University

2010

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## Geometry and physics

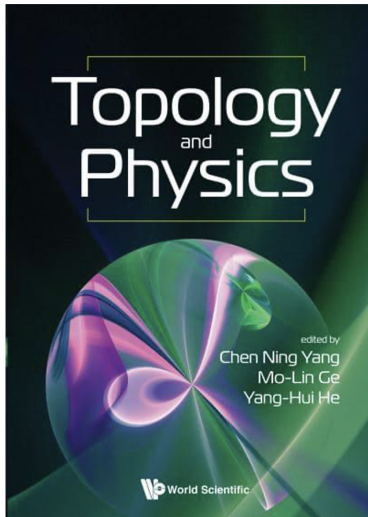
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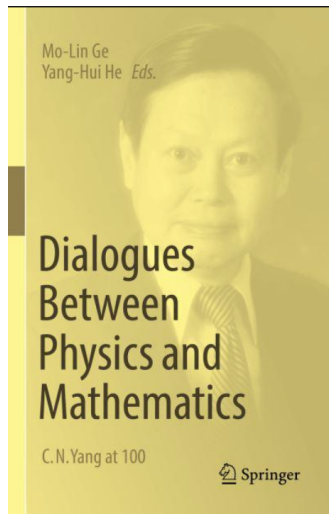
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"One may be tempted to invert Wigner's comment  
and marvel at 'the unreasonable effectiveness of  
physics in mathematics.'"



CN Yang, ML Ge & YH He, ed, World Scientific, 2019 contributions: Atiyah, Dijkgraaf, Kim, Penrose, Witten, et al.



ML Ge & YH He, ed, Springer-Nature, 2022 contributions: Drinfeld, Leggett, Manin, Penrose, Polyakov, Wilczek, Witten, et al.





# Progress in String Theory: Start Dates of Annual Series

1986- “Strings” Conference

2002- “StringPheno” Conference

2006 - 2010 String Vacuum Project (NSF)

2008 - ISGT Integrability in String/Gauge

2011- “String-Math” Conference (2020 - , M-theory & Maths Workshop)

2012- “Amplitudes”

2014- String/Theoretical Physics Session in SIAM Conference

2017- “String-Data” Conference

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# Computing Hodge Numbers: Sketch Back to AG

- Recall Hodge decomposition  $H^{p,q}(X) \simeq H^q(X, \wedge^p T^*X) \rightsquigarrow$

$$H^{1,1}(X) = H^1(X, T_X^*), \quad H^{2,1}(X) \simeq H^{1,2} = H^2(X, T_X^*) \simeq H^1(X, T_X)$$

- Euler Sequence** for subvariety  $X \subset A$  is short exact:

$$0 \rightarrow T_X \rightarrow T_M|_X \rightarrow N_X \rightarrow 0$$

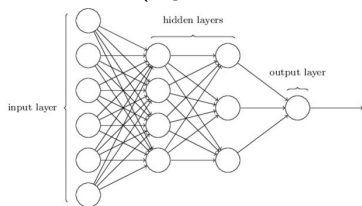
- Induces **long exact sequence in cohomology**:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & \cancel{H^0(X, T_X)} & \xrightarrow{0} & H^0(X, T_A|_X) & \rightarrow & H^0(X, N_X) \rightarrow \\
 & & \boxed{H^1(X, T_X)} & \xrightarrow{d} & H^1(X, T_A|_X) & \rightarrow & H^1(X, N_X) \rightarrow \\
 & & H^2(X, T_X) & \rightarrow & \dots & & 
 \end{array}$$

# The Neural Network Approach

- Bijection from  $1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 0$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, 9, 0\}$  ?
- Take large sample, take a few hundred thousand (e.g. NIST database)

$6 \rightarrow 6, 8 \rightarrow 8, 2 \rightarrow 2, 4 \rightarrow 4, 8 \rightarrow 8, 7 \rightarrow 7, 8 \rightarrow 8,$   
 $0 \rightarrow 0, 4 \rightarrow 4, 2 \rightarrow 2, 5 \rightarrow 5, 6 \rightarrow 6, 3 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 2,$   
 $9 \rightarrow 9, 0 \rightarrow 0, 3 \rightarrow 3, 8 \rightarrow 8, 8 \rightarrow 8, 1 \rightarrow 1, 0 \rightarrow 0,$



- Data = Training Data  $\sqcup$  Validation Data  
 Test trained NN on validations data to see accuracy performance



# Universal Approximation Theorems

**Large Depth Thm: (Cybenko-Hornik)** For every continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^D$ , every compact subset  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , and every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a continuous function  $f_\epsilon : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^D$  such that  $f_\epsilon = W_2(\sigma(W_1))$ , where  $\sigma$  is a fixed continuous function,  $W_{1,2}$  affine transformations and composition appropriately defined, so that  $\sup_{x \in K} |f(x) - f_\epsilon(x)| < \epsilon$ .

**Large Width Thm: (Kidger-Lyons)** Consider a feed-forward NN with  $n$  input neurons,  $m$  output neuron and an arbitrary number of hidden layers each with  $n + m + 2$  neurons, such that every hidden neuron has activation function  $\varphi$  and every output neuron has activation function the identity. Then, given any vector-valued function  $f$  from a compact subset  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ , and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , one can find an  $F$ , a NN of the above type, so that  $|F(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in K$ .

**ReLU Thm: (Hanin)** For any Lebesgue-integral function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a fully connected ReLU NN  $F$  with width of all layers less than  $n + 4$  such that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x) - F(x)| dx < \epsilon$ .

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