

# Deep Learning for Climate

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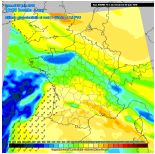


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# Big data in Climate and Beyond

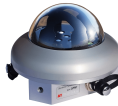
- **Superabundance of data:** times series (sensor measurements), images (fisheye, satellite), spatio-temporal data (weather forecasts), videos, text, etc



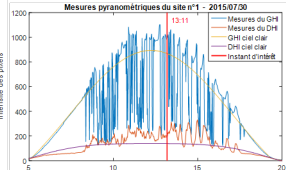
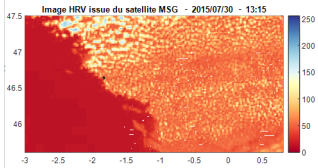
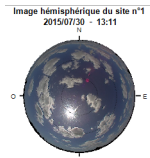
weather forecasts



Sensors, pyranometers



100M monitoring cameras

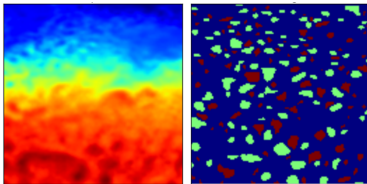
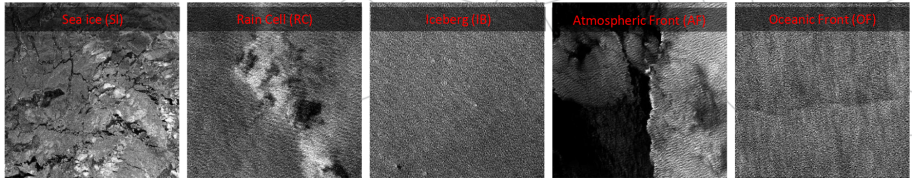


- Obvious need for **Artificial Intelligence** with these data  
⇒ **Recognition, Decision Making**

# Decision Making in Climate

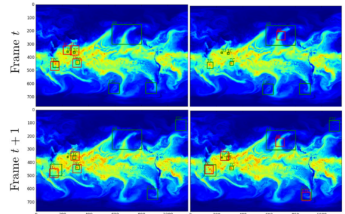
- ▶ **Huge number of applications:** classification, e.g. RADAR images, segmentation, e.g. eddies, forecasting, e.g. extreme weather event

[Chen et al., 2018b]



- Anticyclonic
- Cyclonic
- Non eddy

[Lguensat et al., 2018]



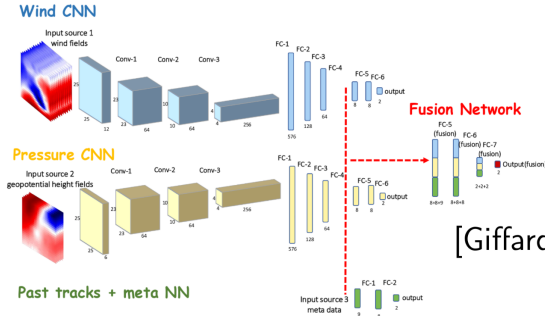
[Racah et al., 2017]





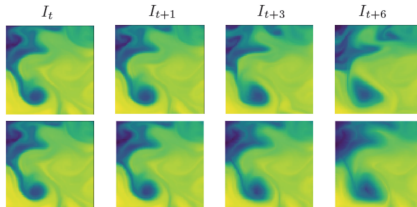
# Decision Making in Climate

- ▶ Using Multiple inputs (wind, height, meta-data): hurricane track forecast



[Giffard-Roisin et al., 2018]

- ▶ Exploiting external knowledge: sea surface temperature prediction



[de Bezenac et al., 2018]

# Recognition of low-level signals: filling the semantic gap



What we perceive vs  
What a computer sees

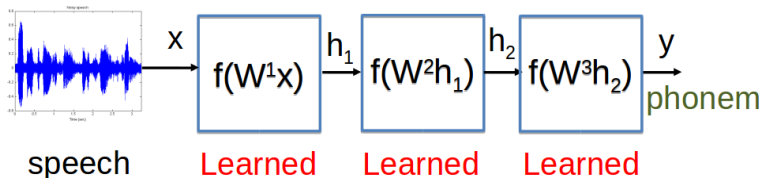
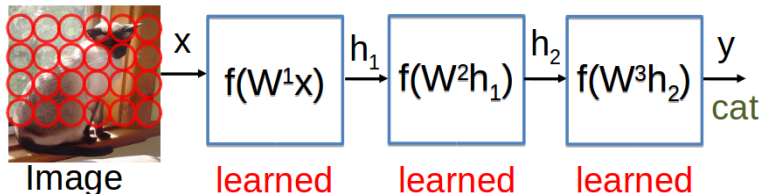
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- ▶ Illumination variations
- ▶ View-point variations
- ▶ Deformable objects
- ▶ intra-class variance
- ▶ etc

⇒ Need for "good" Intermediate Representations

# Deep Learning (DL) & Recognition of low-level signals



## DL: learning intermediate representations

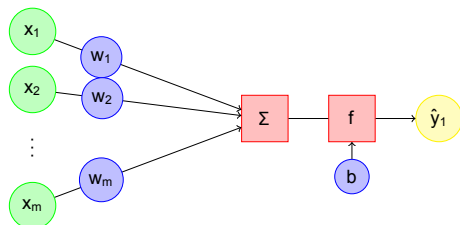
- ⊕ **Deep**: hierarchy, gradual learning
- ⊕ Common learning methodology, few expert knowledge

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# Neural Networks (NN)

## ► The formal Neuron

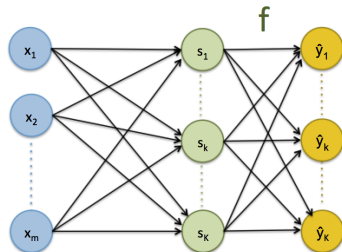


$x_i$ : inputs  
 $w_i, b$ : weights  
 $f$ : activation function  
 $y$ : output of the neuron

$$y = f(w^T x + b)$$

Figure: The formal neuron – Credits: R. Herault

## ► Neural Networks: Stacking several formal neurons $\Rightarrow$ Perceptron



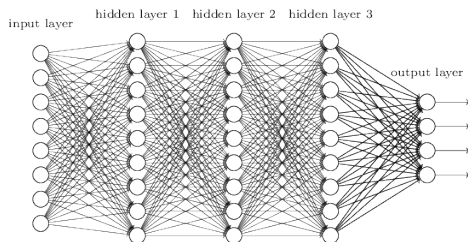
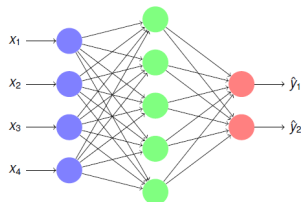
## ► Soft-max Activation:

$$\hat{y}_k = f(s_k) = \frac{e^{s_k}}{\sum_{k'=1}^K e^{s_{k'}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  **Logistic Regression (LR) Model !**

# Deep Neural Networks (DNN)

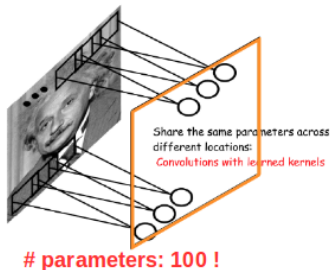
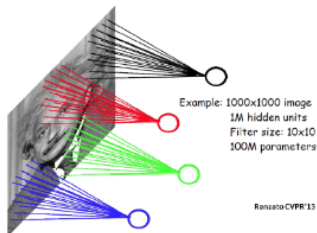
- ▶ **Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)**: Stacking layers of neural networks
  - ▶ More complex and rich functions / Logistic Regression (LR)
  - ▶ **Neural network with one single hidden layer  $\Rightarrow$  universal approximator** [Cybenko, 1989]



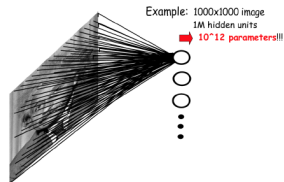
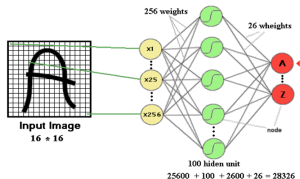
- ▶ **Basis of the "deep learning" field**
  - ▶ **Hidden layers: intermediate representations from data**
  - ▶ **Can be learned with Backpropagation algorithm** [Lecun, 1985, Rumelhart et al., 1986] (chain rule)

# Convolutional Neural Networks (ConvNets)

- ▶ **ConvNets:** sparse connectivity + shared weights

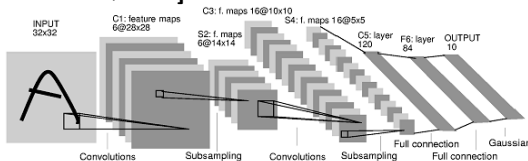
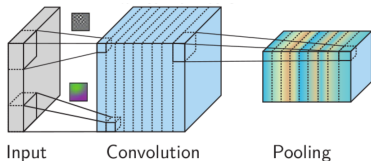


- ▶ **Local feature extraction ( $\neq$  FCN)**
- ▶ Overcome parameter explosion for FCN on images

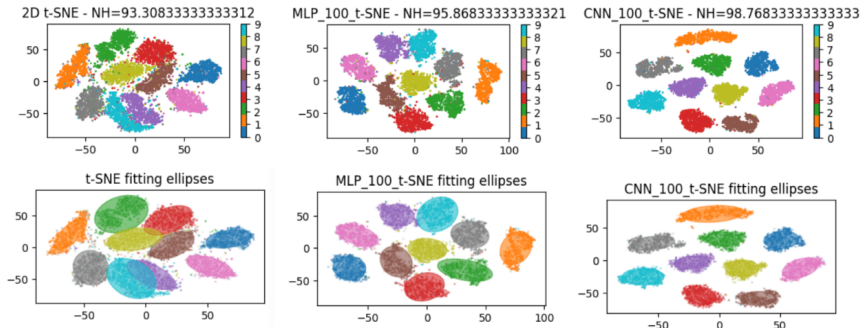


# Convolutional Neural Networks (ConvNets)

- ▶ **Elementary block: Convolution + Non linearity (e.g. ReLU) + pooling**
  - ▶ **Stacking: deep ConvNets [LeCun et al., 1989]**



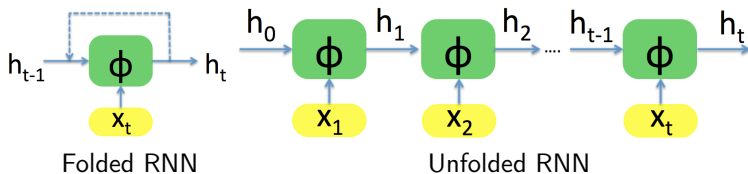
- ▶ **Parameters ↓, invariance ⇒ ↑ generalization & manifold disentangling!**



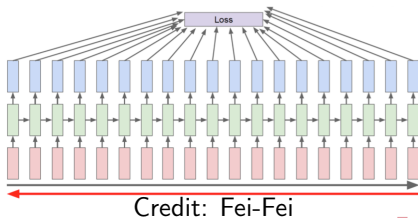


# Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)

- ▶ **RNN Cell:**  $\mathbf{h}_t = \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{h}_{t-1}) = f(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}_{t-1} + \mathbf{b}_h)$  [Elman, 1990]
  - ▶ Loop,  $\mathbf{h}_t$  depends on current  $\mathbf{x}_t$  and previous state  $\mathbf{h}_{t-1}$ 
    - ▶  $\mathbf{h}_t$ : **network memory up to time t**  $\Rightarrow$  **Sequence processing**
- ▶ Universal program [Siegelmann and Sontag, 1995] approximators



- ▶ Can be trained with Back-Propagation Through Time (BPTT)



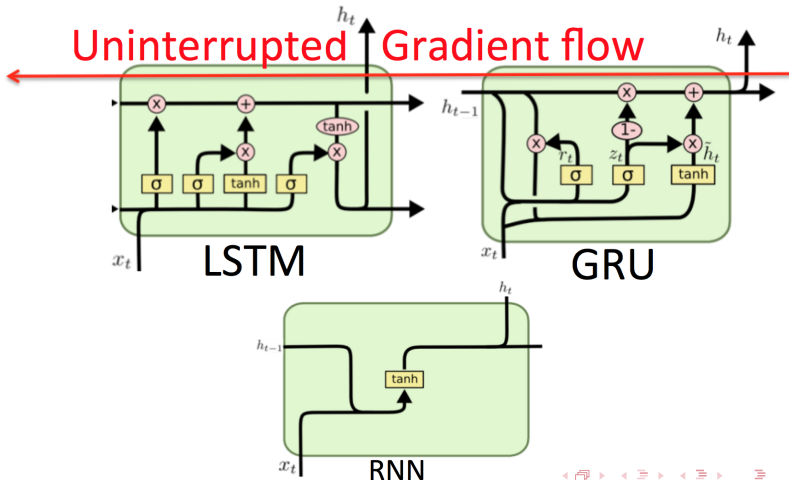
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▶ **BUT Back-Propagation Through Time**  $\Rightarrow$  vanishing gradients

▶ **Specific architectures:**

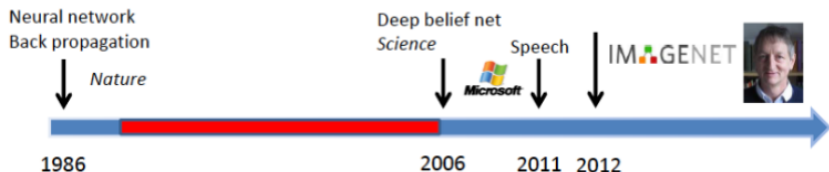
**LSTM [Hochreiter and Schmidhuber, 1997], GRU [Cho et al., 2014]**

▶ LSTM: Cell gate  $\Rightarrow$  uninterrupted gradient flow



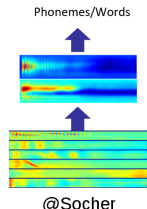
# Deep Learning Success since 2010

- ▶ 90's / 2000's: difficult to train large ConvNets / RNNs on big data



- ▶ Deep Learning renewal since 2010
  - ▶ 2011: Speech Recognition

Acoustic model	Recog \ WER	RT03S FSH	Hub5 SWB
Traditional features	1-pass -adapt	27.4	23.6
Deep Learning	1-pass -adapt	18.5 (-33%)	16.1 (-32%)



# Deep Learning Success since 2010

## ▶ Deep Learning and ConvNet for Image Classification

- ▶ ImageNet ILSVRC Challenge (Stanford):
  - ▶ 1,200,000 training images, 1,000 classes, mono-label
  - ▶ Based on WordNet hierarchy (ontology)
- ▶ Up to 2012, leading approaches: handcrafted features + shallow ML (SVM)
- ▶ **ILSVRC'12: the deep revolution**  
⇒ outstanding success of ConvNets [Krizhevsky et al., 2012]

Rank	Name	Error rate	Description
1	<b>U. Toronto</b>	0.15315	Deep learning
2	U. Tokyo	0.26172	Hand-crafted
3	U. Oxford	0.26979	features and
4	Xerox/INRIA	0.27058	learning models. Bottleneck.

- ▶ **RNNs SOTA for many sequential decision making tasks:** speech, translation, text/music generation, times series, *etc*

# 2012: the deep revolution

## Deep ConvNet success at ILSVRC'12

### Two main practical reasons:

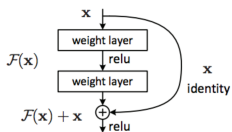
1. Huge number of labeled images ( $10^6$  images)
  - ▶ Possible to train very large models without over-fitting
  - ▶ Larger models enables to learn rich (semantic) features hierarchies
2. GPU implementation for training
  - ▶ Relatively cheap and fast GPU
  - ▶ Training time reduced to 1-2 weeks (up to 50x speed up)



# Current Trends in Deep Learning

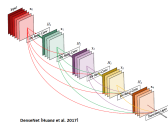
Feature design  $\Rightarrow$  network architecture design

- Improved training properties, e.g. Res-Net or DenseNet  $\sim$  LSTM



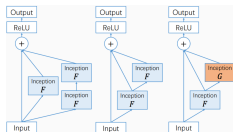
ResNet

[He et al., 2016]



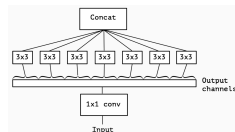
DenseNet

[Huang et al., 2017]



PolyNet

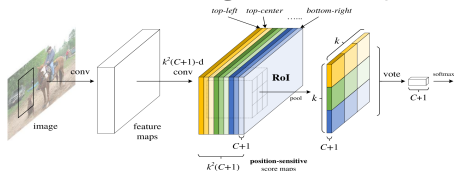
[Zhang et al., 2017]



Xception

[Chollet, 2017]

- Combining blocks for specific tasks, e.g. detection or ConvLSTM



[Dai et al., 2016]

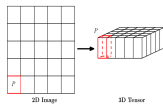


Figure 1: Transforming 2D image into 3D tensor

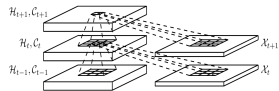


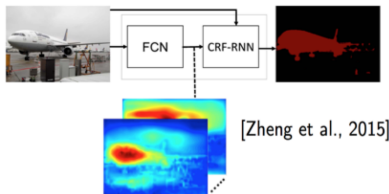
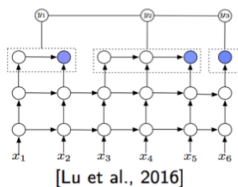
Figure 2: Inner structure of ConvLSTM

[Shi et al., 2015]

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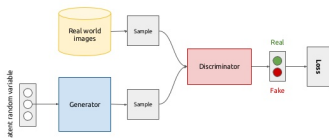
## Training Models

- ▶ **Combining DL & structured prediction**, e.g. Conditional Random Fields (CRF)
  - ▶ Speech recognition (RNN+CRF), Semantic segmentation (ConvNets+CRF/RNN)

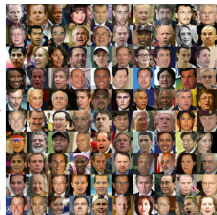


- ▶ **Generative Adversarial Networks: Game Theory** (generator vs discriminator)
  - ▶ Adversarial cost used beyond generation for distribution matching

Generative adversarial networks (conceptual)



Noise  $\sim N(0,1)$



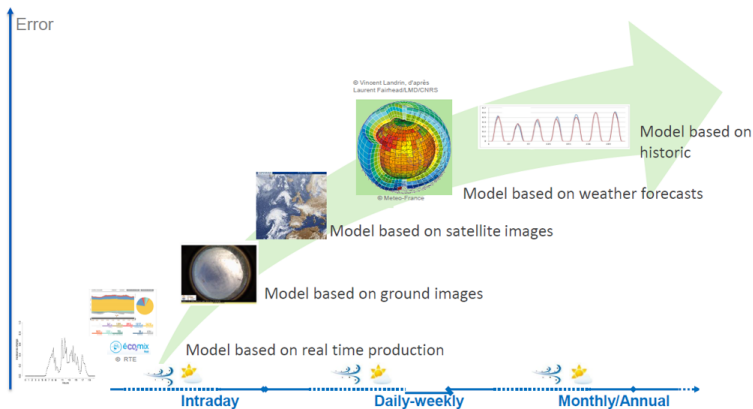
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# Context: PhotoVoltaic (PV) energy forecasting

Different data sources for different horizons

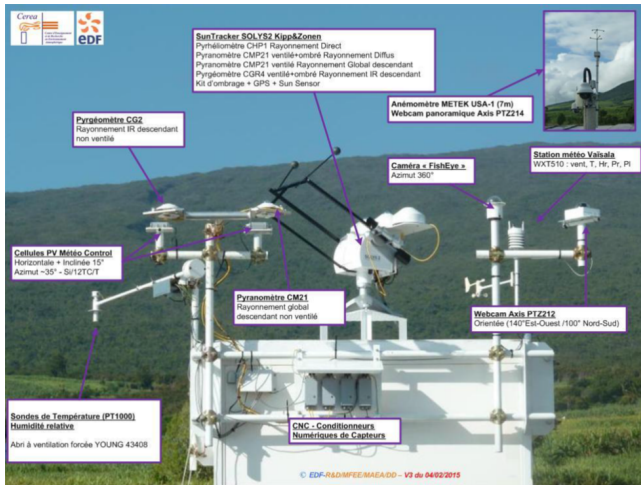


- ▶ **Ground based images:** very short term spatial & temporal horizons (0-20 min)
- ▶ **Application:** dynamic control of a hybrid system with PV, storage, diesel,...

# Data

## Meteorological campaign EDF R&D

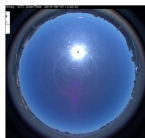
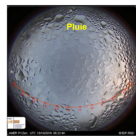
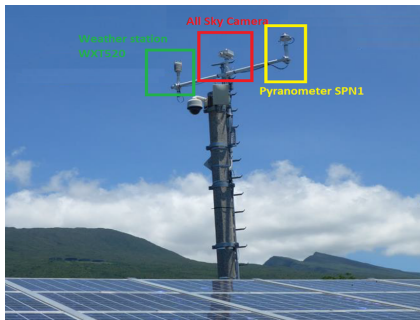
- ▶ EDF R&D experimental test site at La Reunion since 2012
- ▶ Many devices evaluated for solar resource assessment



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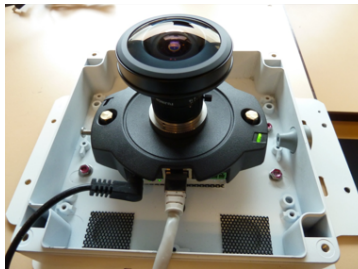
## Meteorological campaign EDF R&D

- ▶ **Choice:** ground images + pyranometer
- ▶ **Goal:** Can we use low-cost cameras instead of pyranometers to estimate current and future solar irradiances?



⇒ More than 7 Millions images and corresponding irradiation measurements collected since 2010

**Fisheye camera:** 180° hemispheric view of the sky, images every 10s

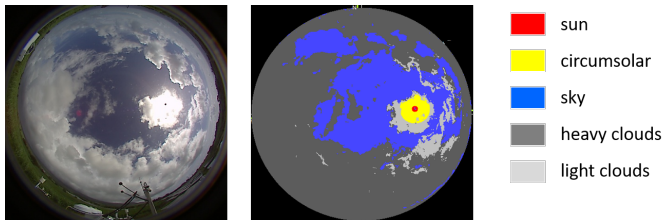


- ▶ **Pyranometer:** solar irradiance measurements every 10s
  - ▶ **GHI: Global Horizontal Irradiance**
  - ▶ DHI: Diffuse Horizontal Irradiance
  - ▶ DNI: Direct Normal Irradiance
- ▶ **Preprocessing:** irradiance values normalized by a clear sky model to remove seasonality ⇒ **KGHI**

# Baseline

## Irradiance estimation module

1. **Image segmentation:** with handcrafted thresholds on Luminance and R-B

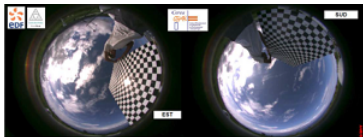


- ▶ Each image described with feature  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^5 \Leftrightarrow$  pixel class ratios
  - ▶ **Database:**  $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1:N}$  with  $x_i$  images and  $y_i$  corresponding KGHI
2. **Estimation:** kernel regression (Nadaraya-Watson model [Nadaraya, 1964]) for an unknown image  $x_0$ :

$$\hat{y}(x_0) = \frac{C}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{-\frac{\|x_0 - x_i\|^2}{2h^2}} y_i$$

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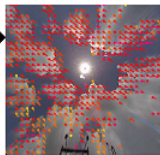
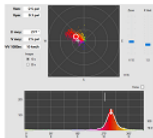
## Forecasting module



0. Camera calibration:  $(x,y) \leftrightarrow$  spherical coordinates (azimuth, elevation)

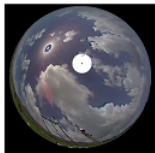


1. Hemispherical image projection in a plane at a given altitude (where clouds have same direction)

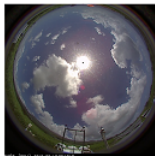


2. Optical flow between two frames

3. Warp main wind direction and reproject



Estimate +4min



True future +4min

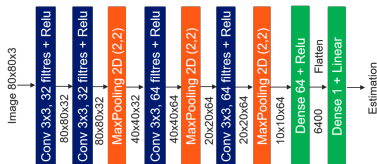
4. Estimate future image



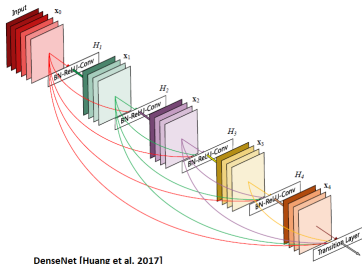
# Estimating solar irradiance with ConvNets

## Proposed neural network models

- ▶ **Small Convnet:** 475 000 parameters



- ▶ **Densenet model:** Densenet conv layers + dense regression layers  
201 layers: 18 Millions parameters



# Estimating solar irradiance with ConvNets

## Experiments

- ▶ **Experimental setup:**
  - ▶ Training set: years 2012-2015 (4 190 064 images)
  - ▶ Test set: year 2016 (1 265 717 images)
- ▶ **Implementation:**
  - ▶ Python with Keras & Tensorflow backend
  - ▶ Adam optimizer
- ▶ **Training time:** - Nvidia Quadro P6000 (24 Go RAM)
  - ▶ 1 day for ConvNet, 6 days for DenseNet on a
- ▶ **Results for KGHI Estimation** (test set): large improvements of ConvNets wrt baseline

Model	Baseline	ConvNet	DenseNet
Mean Absolute Error (MAE)	0.1010	0.0448	<b>0.0197</b>
Normalized <sup>1</sup> MAE	14.9 %	6.59 %	<b>2.90 %</b>
Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)	0.1467	0.06992	<b>0.0328</b>
Normalized RMSE	21.6 %	10.3 %	<b>4.83 %</b>

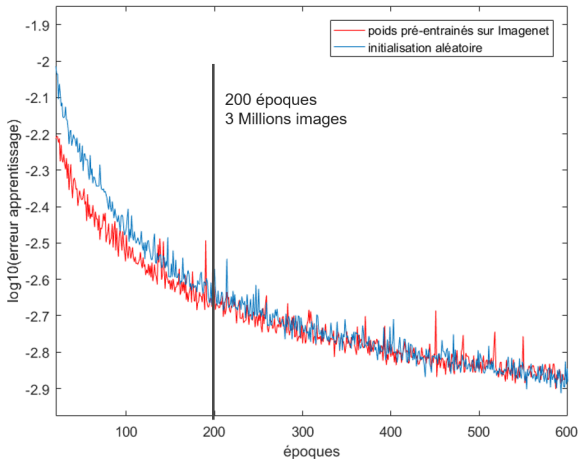
<sup>1</sup>by the mean KGHI value over the training set



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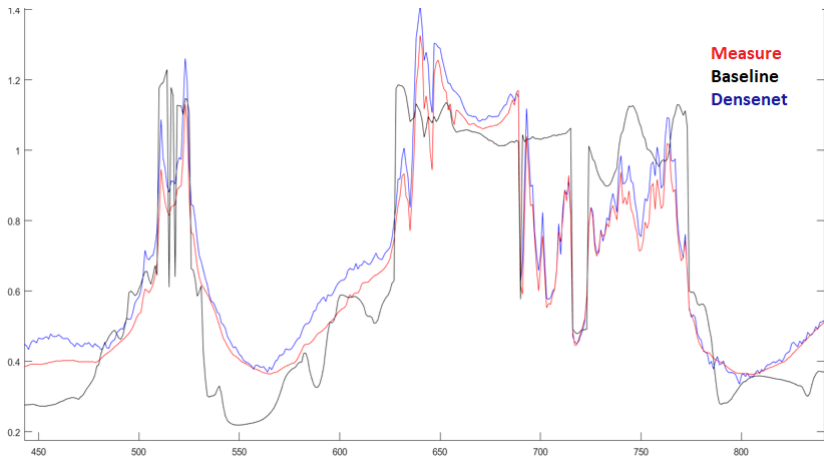
## Training Evolution

Learning from scratch possible (ImageNet pre-training not necessary)



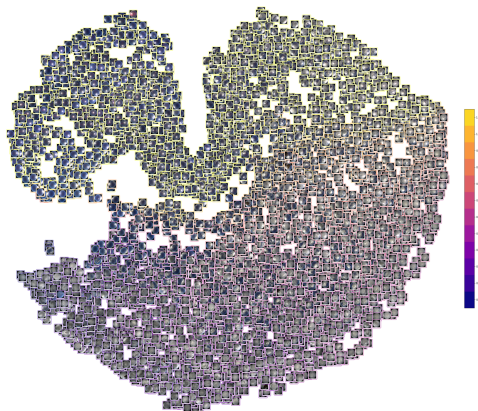
# Estimating solar irradiance with ConvNets

Results on a particular day



# Estimating solar irradiance with ConvNets

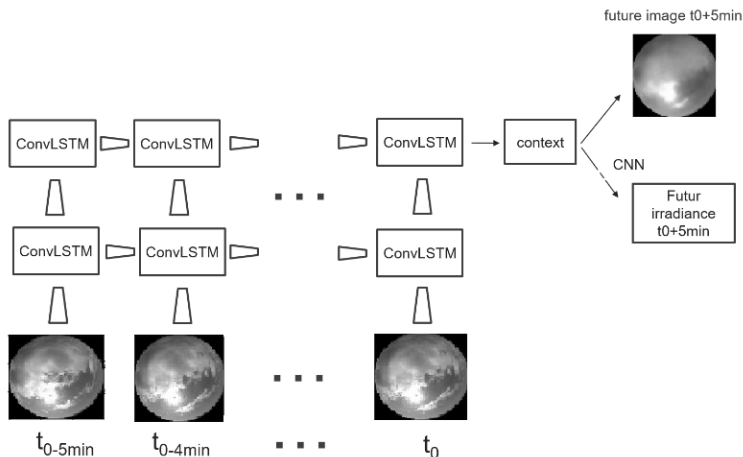
t-SNE visualization



**Figure:** Clustering on Densenet features. Upper left: clear sky, upper right: cloudy, bottom: very cloudy, rainy

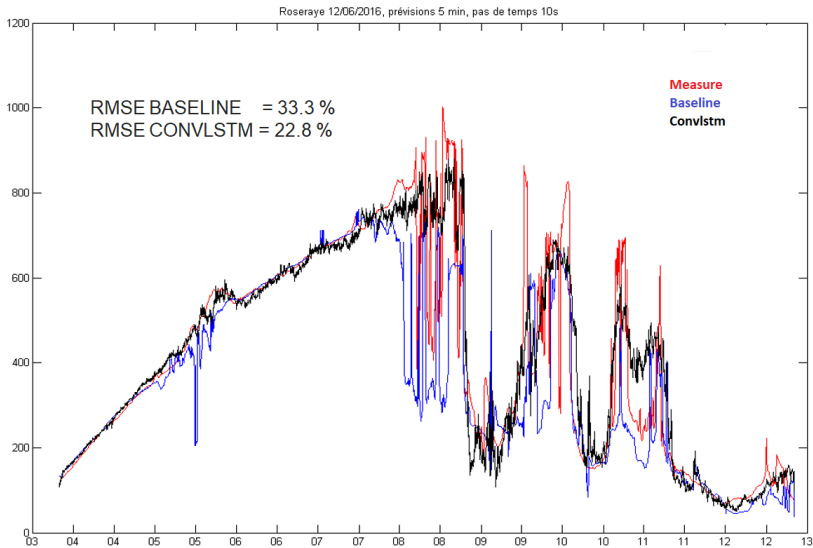
# Ongoing work: irradiance forecasting

- ▶ **First proposed model:** light for computational purposes
- ▶ Input sequence: 10 grayscale 60x60 images every 30s
- ▶ Predict future image and irradiance at 5min
- ▶ Stacked ConvLSTM layers as spatiotemporal feature extractor



# Ongoing work: irradiance forecasting

Preliminary results

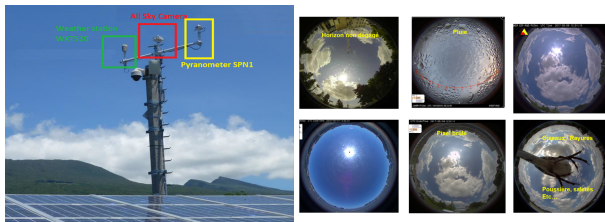


# Outline

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# Conclusion & Perspectives

- ▶ **Effective deep ConvNet solutions for irradiance predictions on static images**
  - ▶ **Favorable context:** huge volume of annotated data



- ▶ **Promising first results for future irradiance forecasting**
  - ▶ Short-term: contribution of temporal information to irradiance & forecasts
  - ▶ Longer term: improve forecasting models and training methodologies

# Forecasting future irradiances

## Video Prediction

### Deep learning for video prediction

- ▶ Direct RGB future image generation still challenging for large and complex natural images, predictions become blurry [Srivastava et al., 2015]
- ▶ To mitigate this: learn geometric transforms between images [Finn et al., 2016], use an adversarial loss instead of L2 [Mathieu et al., 2015]



[Mathieu et al. 2015]

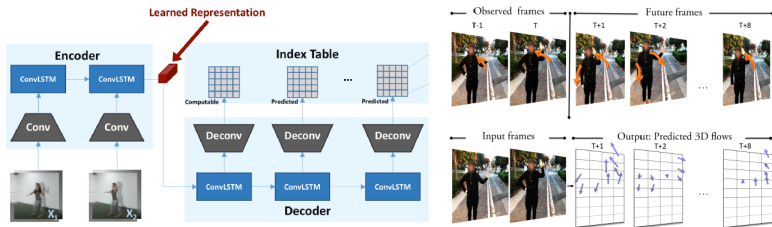


# Forecasting future irradiances

## Direct irradiance prediction

### Direct irradiance prediction with deep learning without future image prediction

- ▶ Predict latent features in encoder-decoder RNN architectures [Luo et al., 2017]



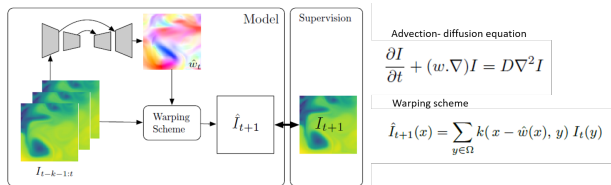
- ▶ Predict future image segmentations [Luc et al., 2018]

# Forecasting future irradiances

## Direct irradiance prediction

### Prediction with physical knowledge

- Introduce a priori physical information (advection diffusion PDE) [de Bezenac et al., 2018]



- Approximate differential equation solutions with neural nets [Long et al., 2017, Chen et al., 2018a]

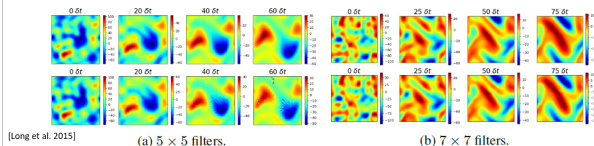


Figure 5: Images of the true dynamics and the predicted dynamics. The first row shows the images of the true dynamics. The second row shows the images of the predicted dynamics using the PDE-Net

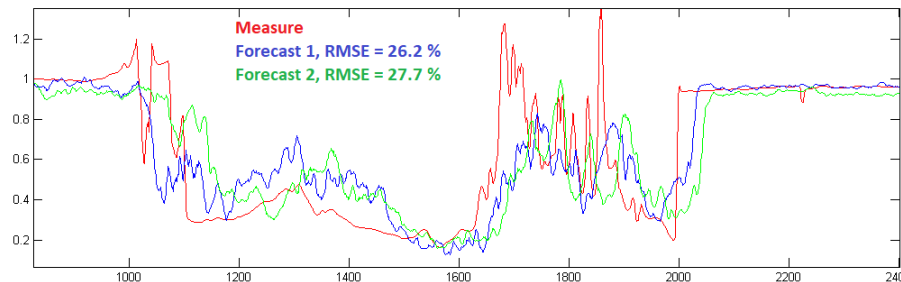
# Choice of loss function

How to penalize delays on the predicted irradiance time series ?

## Goal: forecast irradiance ramps on time

Classical loss functions (MAE, RMSE) ill adapted to distinguish absolute value errors from temporal distortion errors. Possible solutions:

- ▶ signal gradient loss [Mathieu et al., 2015]
- ▶ loss based on Dynamic Time Warping [Cuturi and Blondel, 2017],...

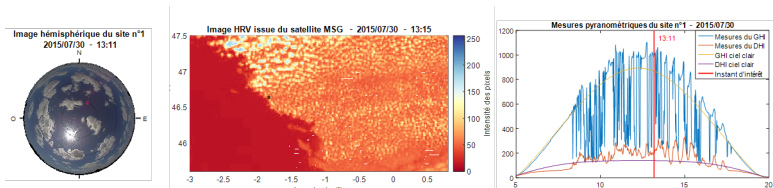


**Figure:** 2 forecasts with similar RMSE but different anticipating skills. Forecast 2 model seems always late

# Multi-modal fusion

Ground images, satellite images, numerical weather forecasts

- ▶ Improve forecasting temporal and spatial scales by fusing different data sources:
  - ▶ PV production measurements
  - ▶ ground based camera
  - ▶ satellite image
  - ▶ numerical weather forecasts



- ▶ Use a network of multiple cheap cameras on a territory to anticipate global phenomena

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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