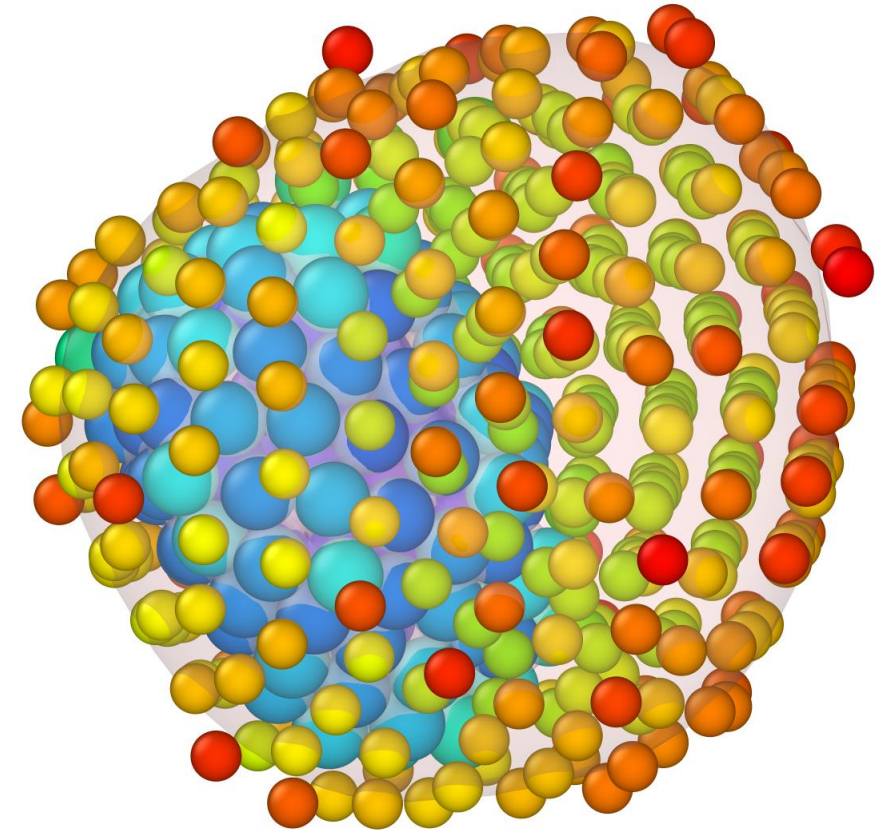


# Value of deep learning for HRTEM image analysis

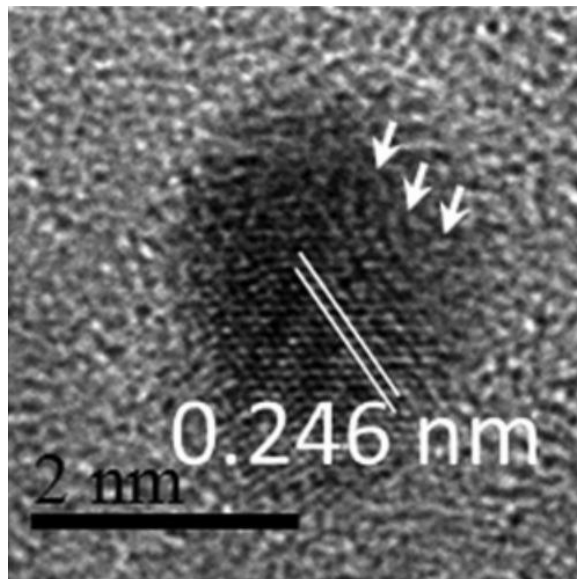
Co/Ag nanoalloys, carbon nanotubes and amorphous carbon

- Atomistic simulation & HRTEM image generation
  - Deep learning
  - Application to images from experiments
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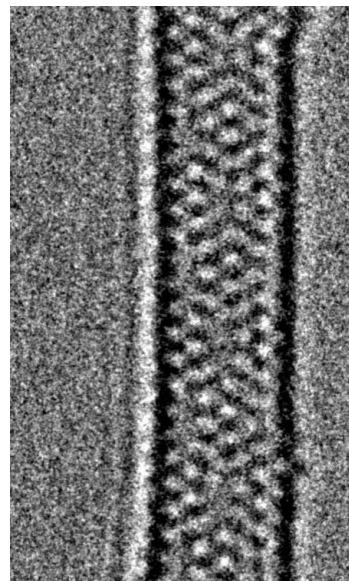
# HRTEM for structure analysis

Co/Ag nanoalloys



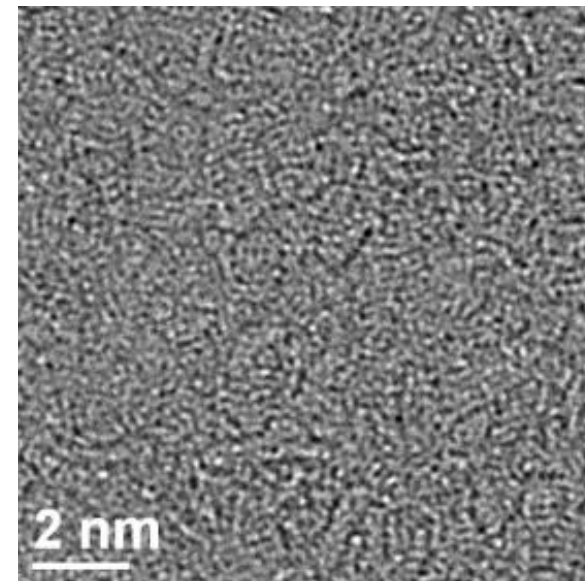
Int. J. Hydrogen Energy **42**,  
21751 (2017)

Carbon nanotubes



Carbon **169**, 465 (2020)

Amorphous carbon



Microsc. Microanal. **23**, 2268 (2017)

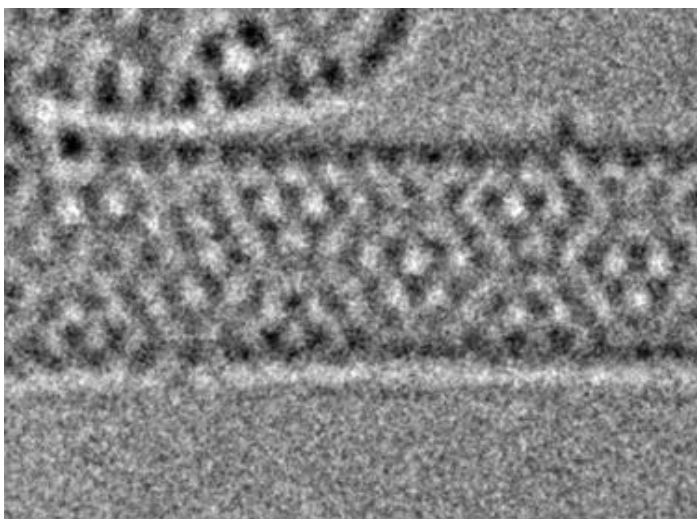
**Individual objects** at atomic resolution

However **large number of images** necessary for sample characterization

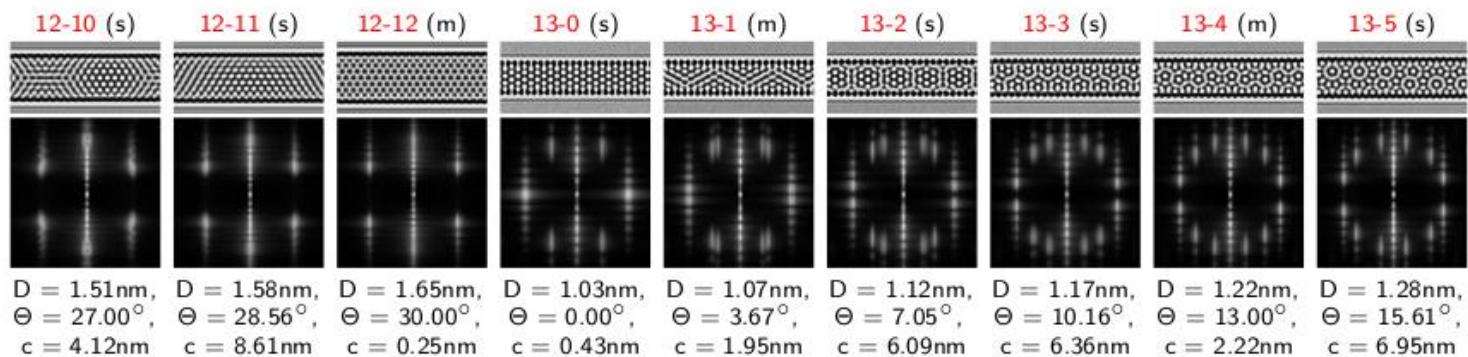
- Interpretation of HRTEM images and difficulties
- Data driven approach
  - Atomistic simulation
  - HRTEM image generation
  - Convolutional neural networks for analysis
- Application to images from experiments

# "Classical" approach

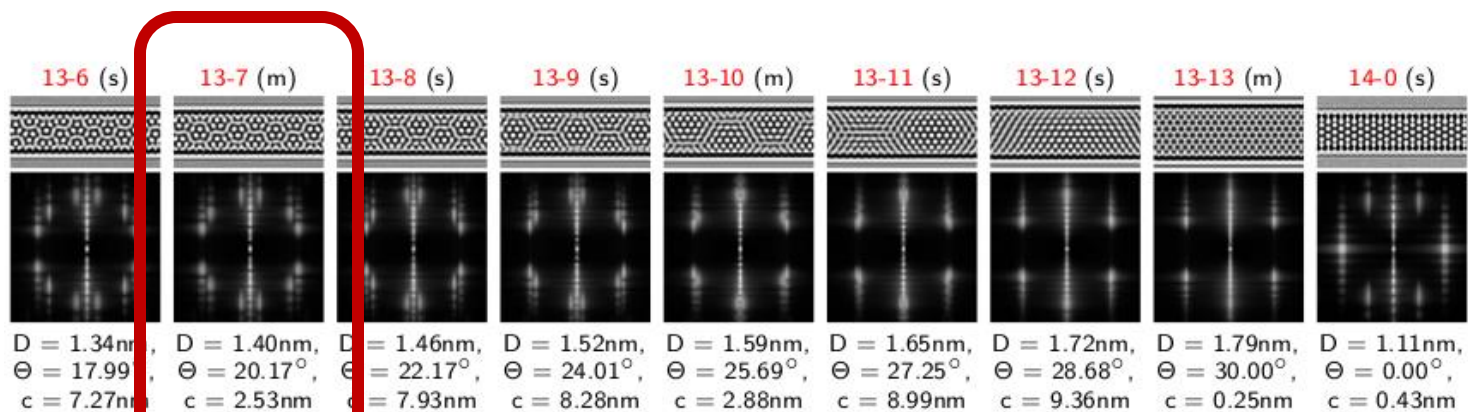
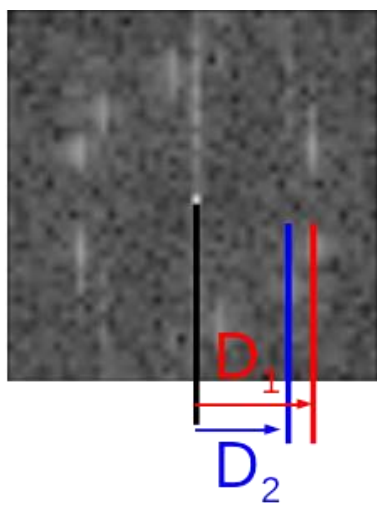
## HRTEM image



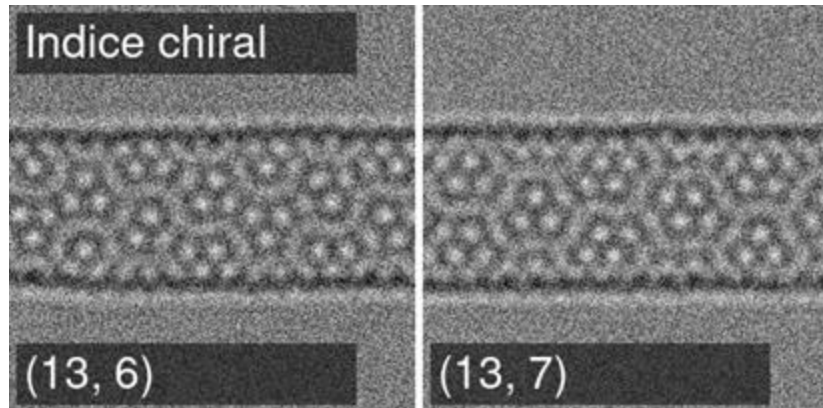
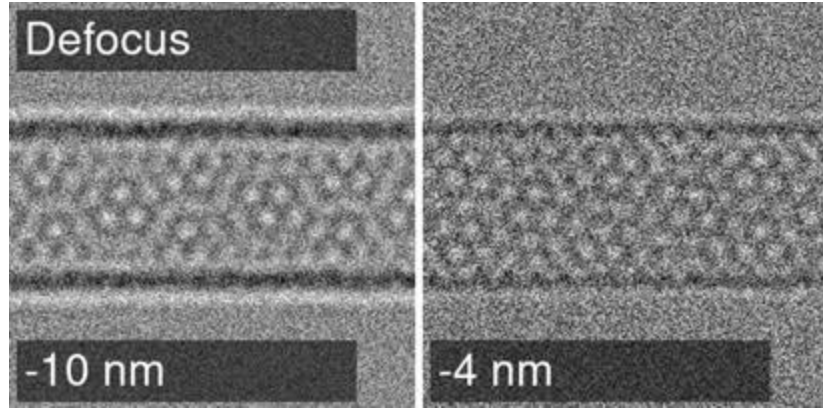
## Comparison with simulated images



## Fourier transform



# Challenges for the interpretation of HRTEM images



- Microscopy aberrations
- Pattern depend on object orientation
- Defects
- Image noise

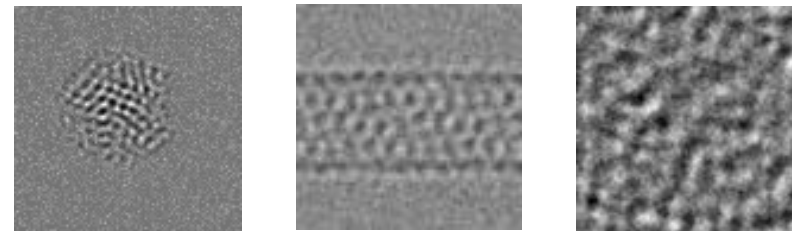
# New method based on convolutional neural networks

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## Simulations

Atomistic simulations

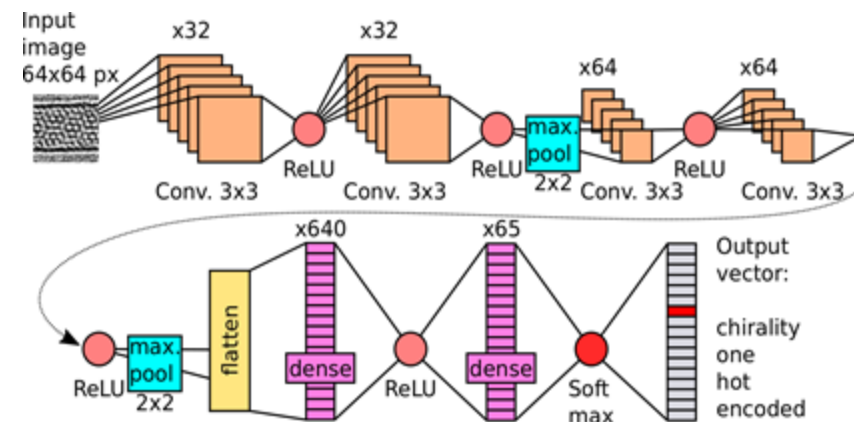
HRTEM images of simulated structures



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## Training

Deep learning: convolutional neural network for classification, regression, and denoising

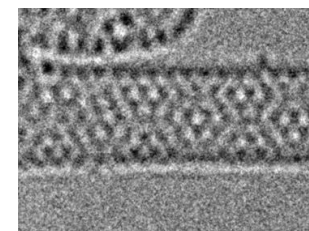


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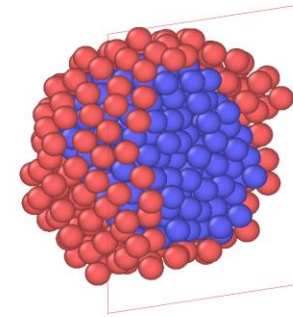
## Application to images from experiments

microscope JEOL- ARM 200F

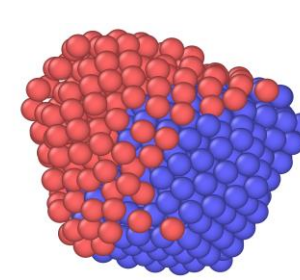
- automatized analysis
- interpretation of experimental data



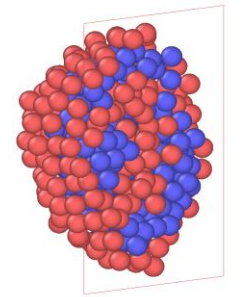
- TB-SMA for Ag/Co alloy system
- Tersoff interatomic model for carbon
- rapid quench
  - **Stabilization of different nanoalloy chemical orderings**
  - **defects**
  - **thermal fluctuations**
- Several 100,000 simulation runs



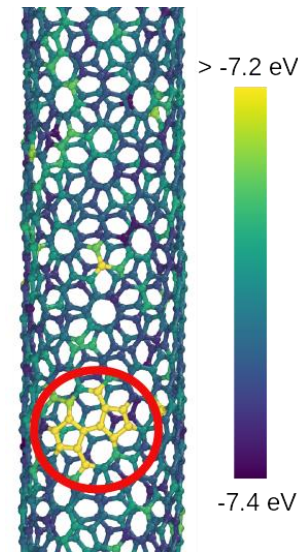
core-shell



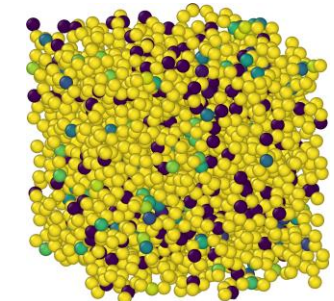
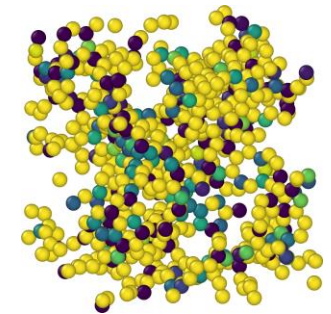
Janus



disordered alloy



carbon nanotubes



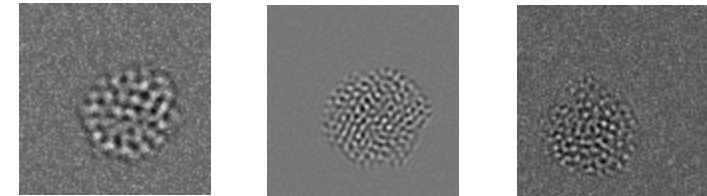
amorphous carbon

# Multi-slice simulations

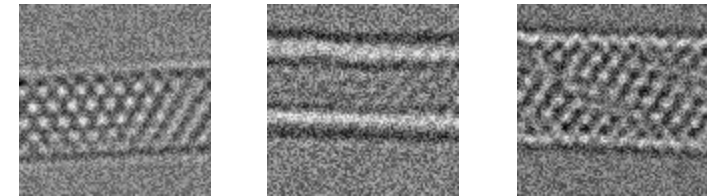
Multi-slice simulation and generation of images  
(different resolutions, with and without shot noise)

## Variability:

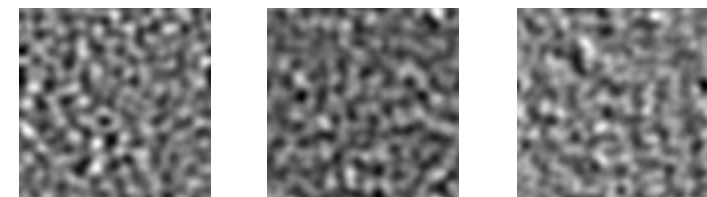
- position
- orientation (3 axes)
- zoom level
- **defocus**, aberration coefficients
- noise
- overall brightness



Ag/Co nanoalloys



Carbon nanotubes



Amorphous carbon



# Convolutional neural network

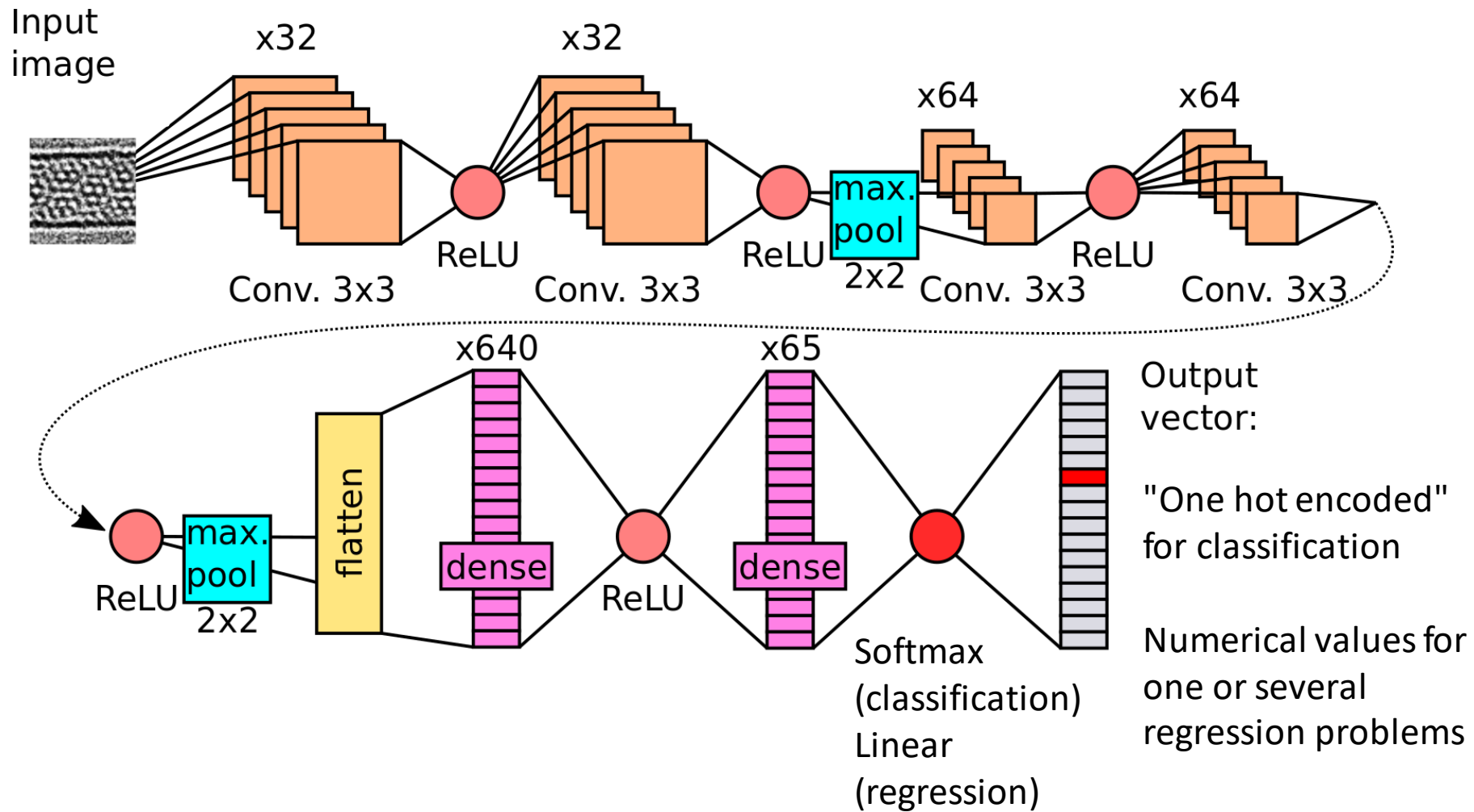
- Image classification
- Sort images into a finite number of predefined categories
- Requires large number of examples with known categories



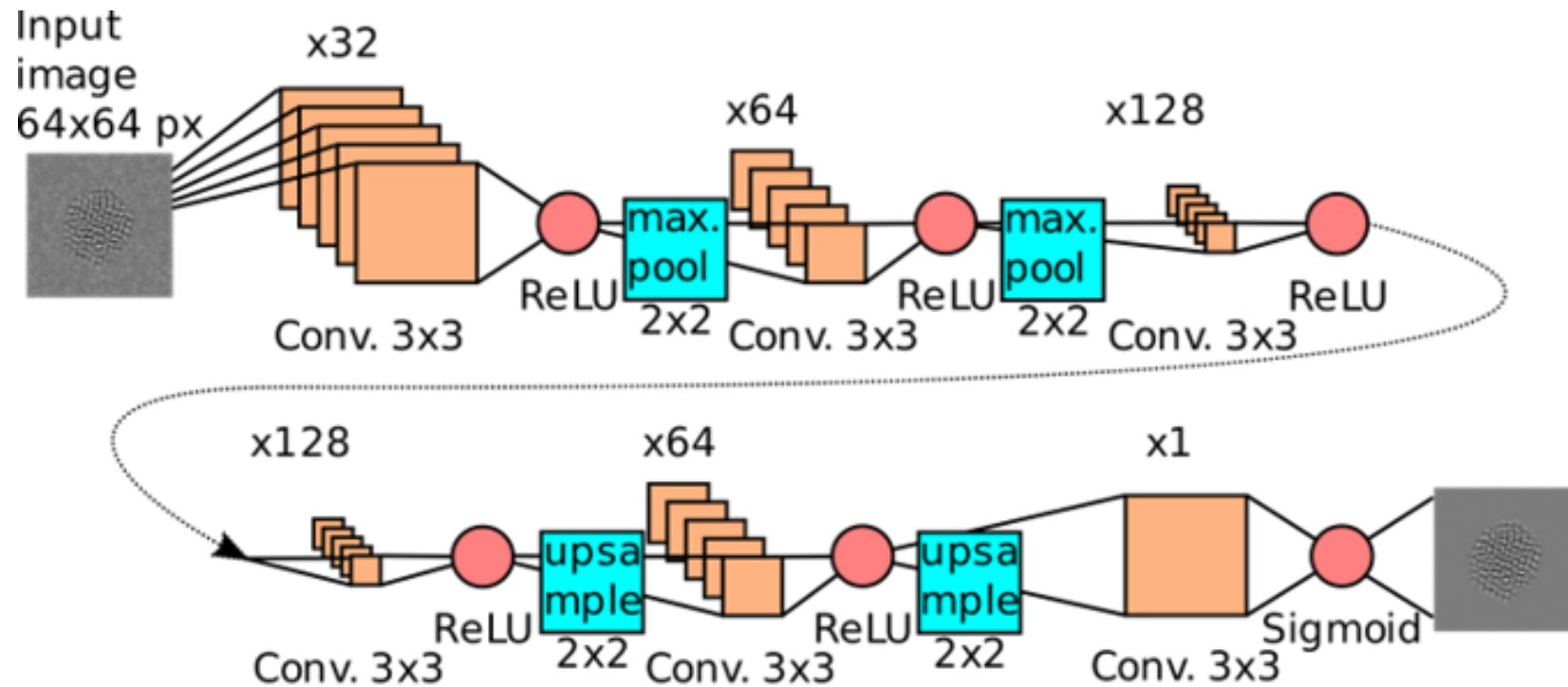
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# Convolutional neural network for classification/regression



# Convolutional neural network for denoising (autoencoder)

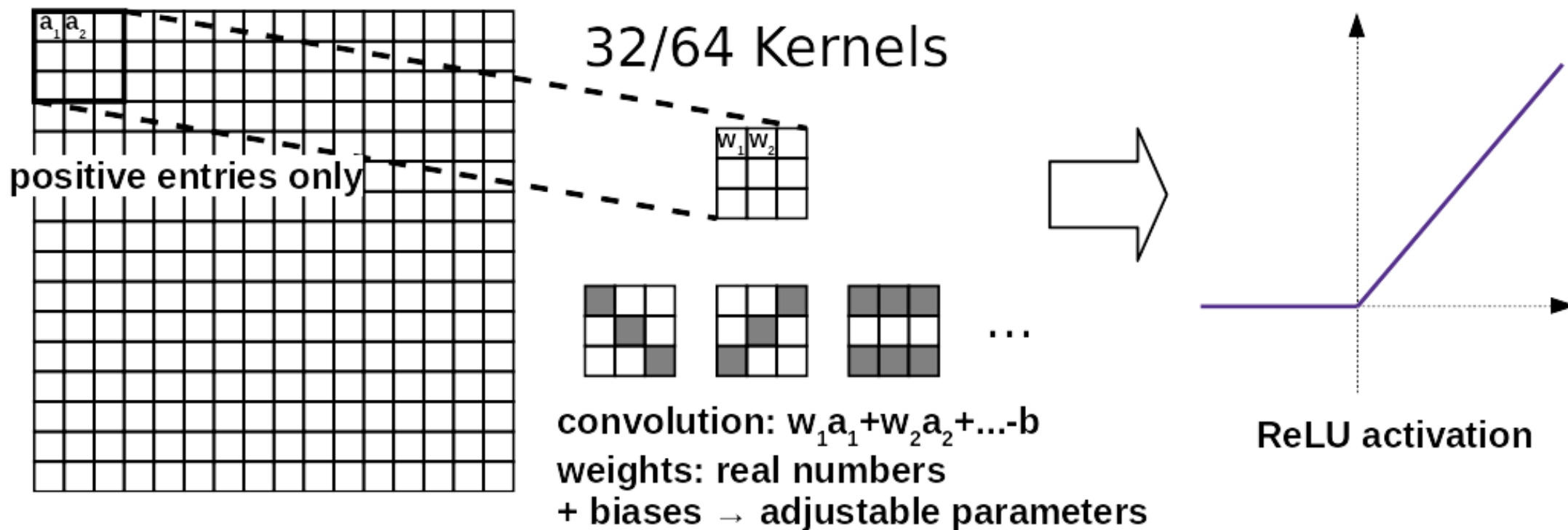


Output matrix as image:

without image noise  
without microscopy aberrations  
improved resolution

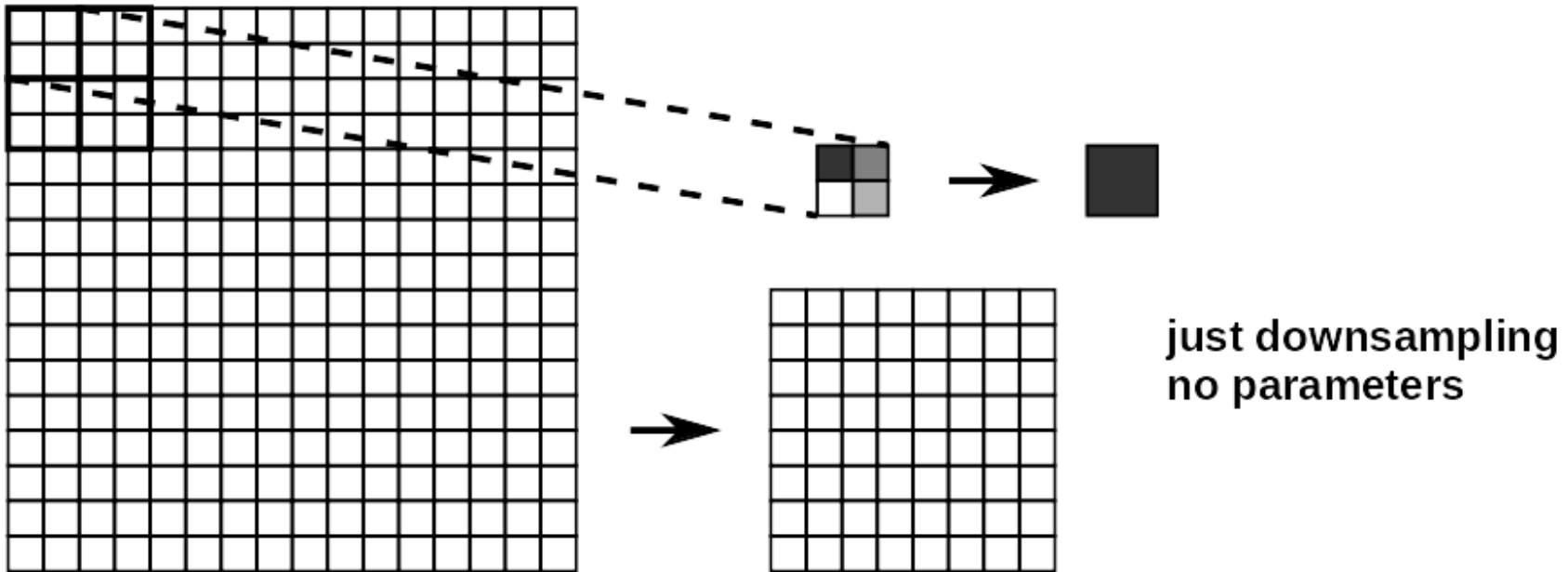
# Convolutional neural networks

## Convolutional layer

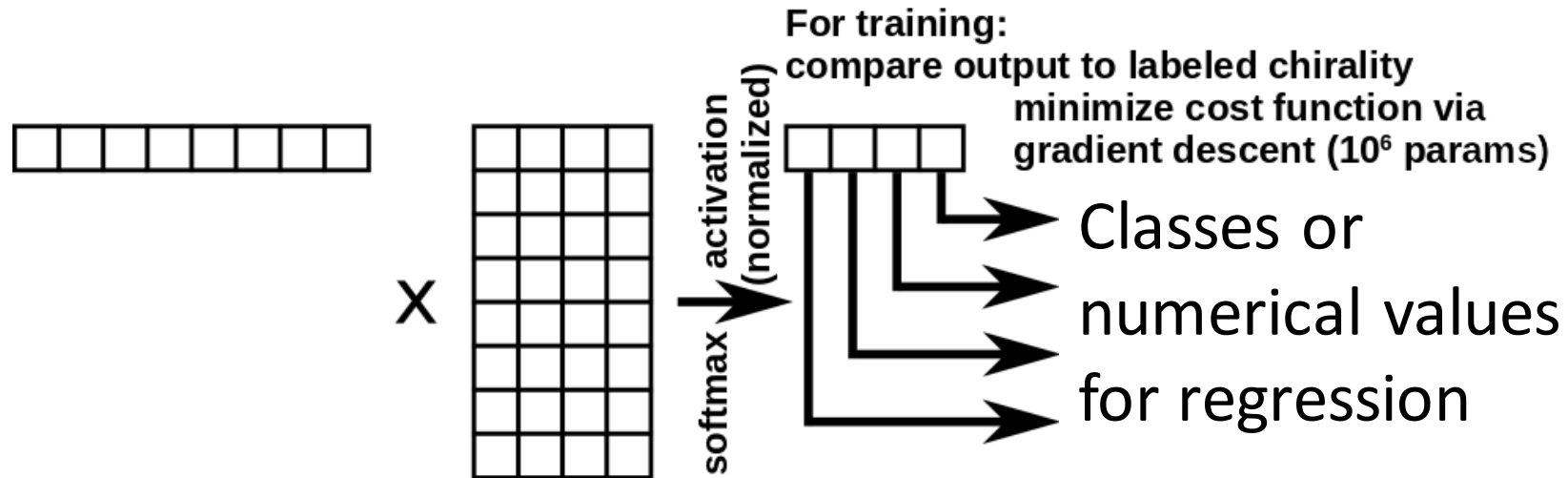


# Convolutional neural networks

Max. pooling layer

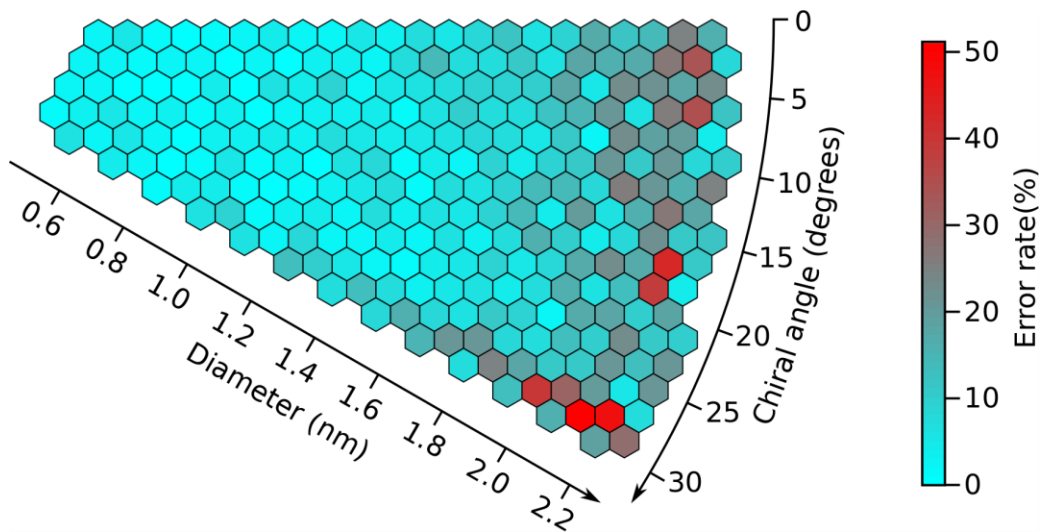


## Fully connected layers



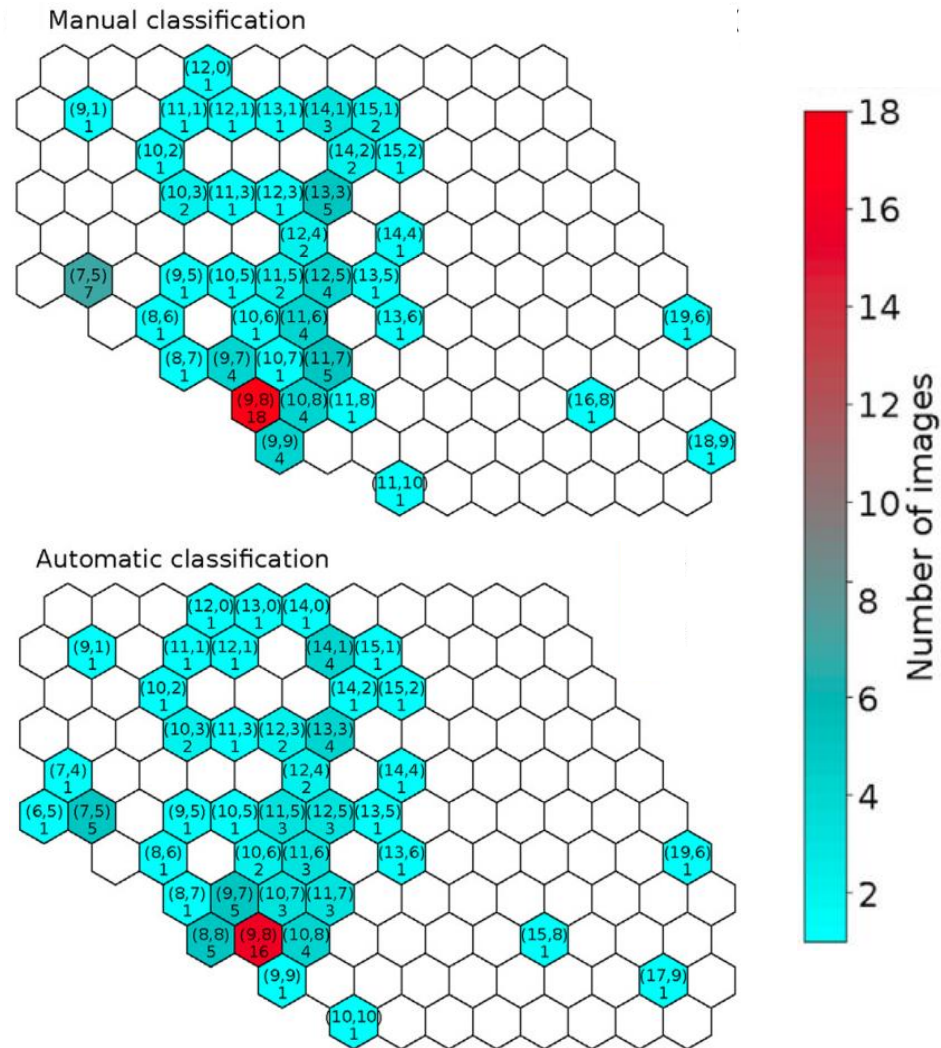
# Classification: Carbon nanotube structure (chirality)

## Synthetic images



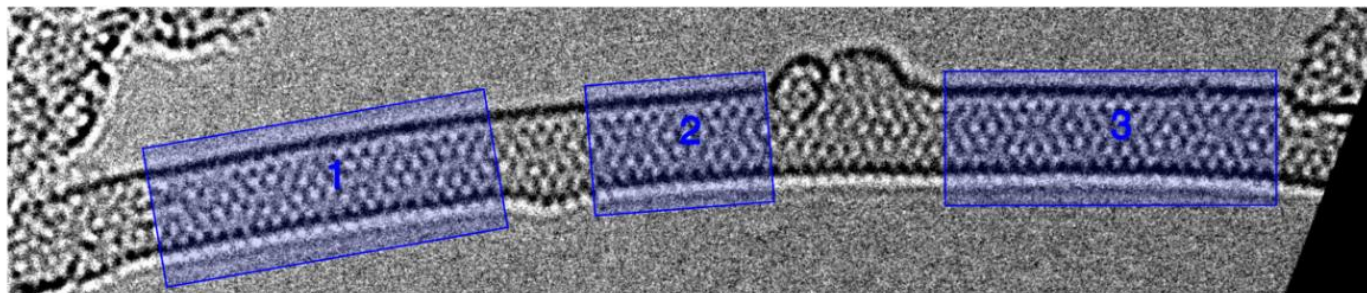
Overall accuracy >90%

## Experimental images

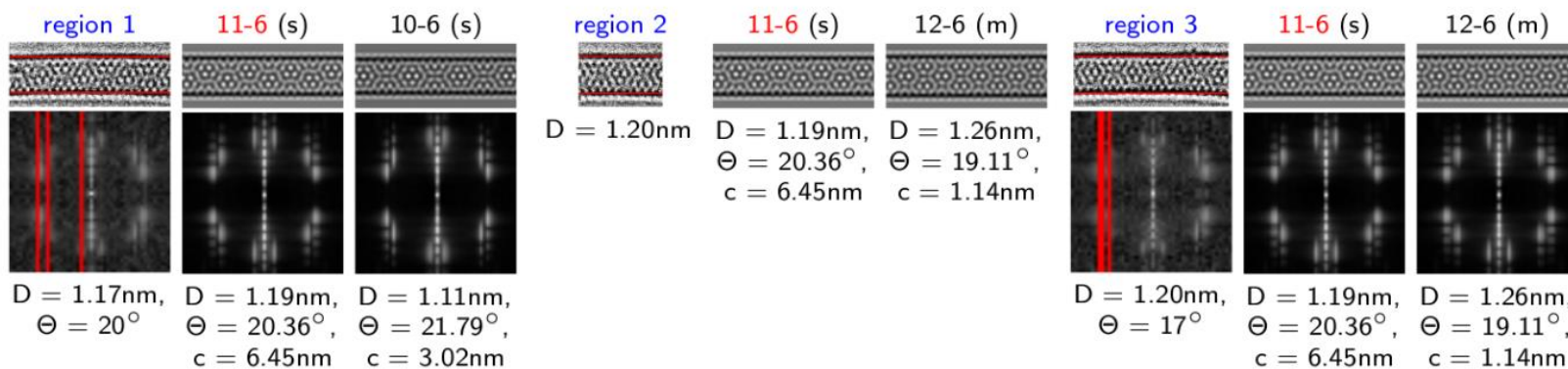


same result: 71% of 91 cases

# Application to real, experimental images



region	chirality 1	prob. 1	chir. 2	prob. 2	chir. 3	prob. 3
1	11-6	85.5 %	10-6	11.3 %	11-5	3.0 %
2	11-6	91.8 %	12-6	5.2 %	11-7	2.9 %
3	11-6	95.5 %	12-6	2.8 %	11-7	1.3 %



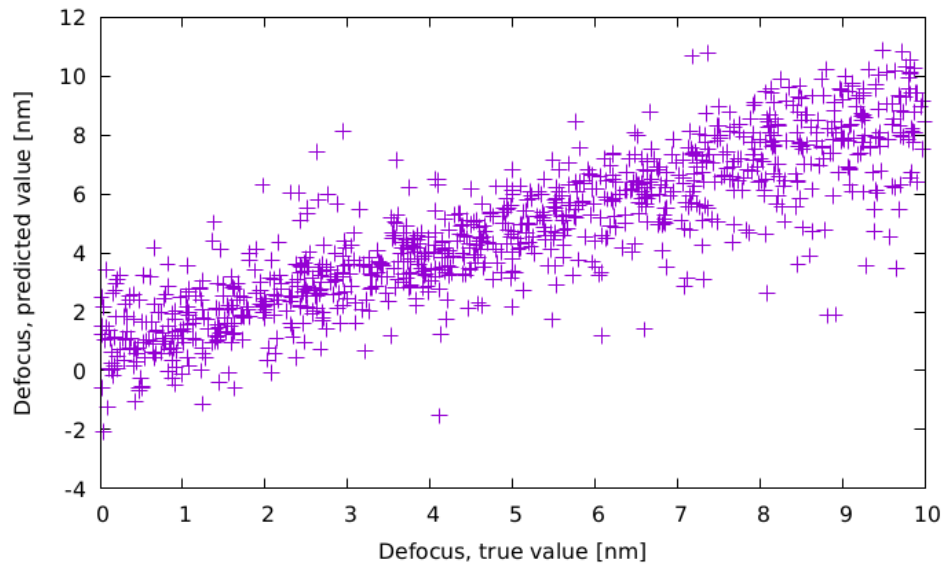
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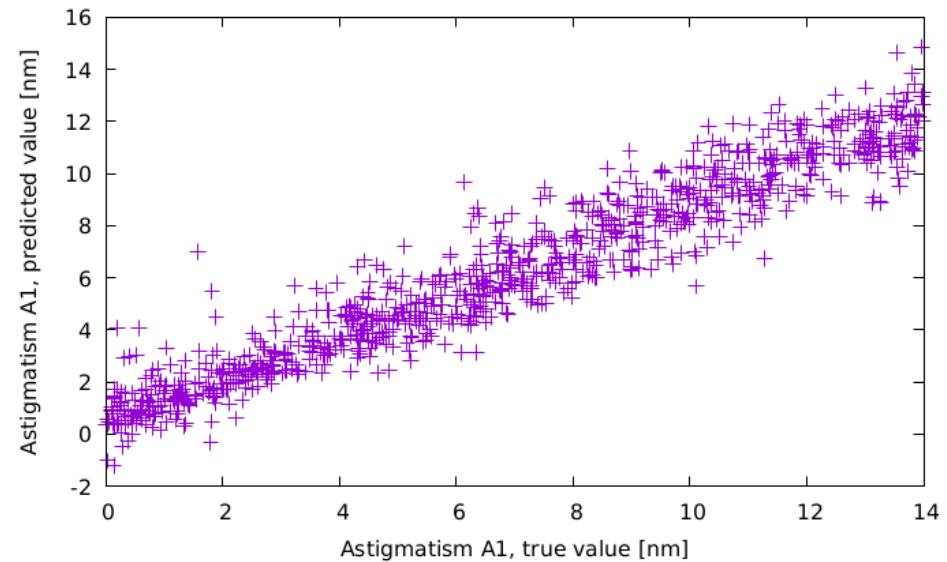
# Regression: microscope defocus and astigmatism

Based on synthetic Ag/Co nanoalloy images

Defocus



Astigmatism



Valuable information for microscopists

*Perspective:* Regression on **structural and energetic observables**

# Denoising: convolutional autoencoder

Carbon nanotube

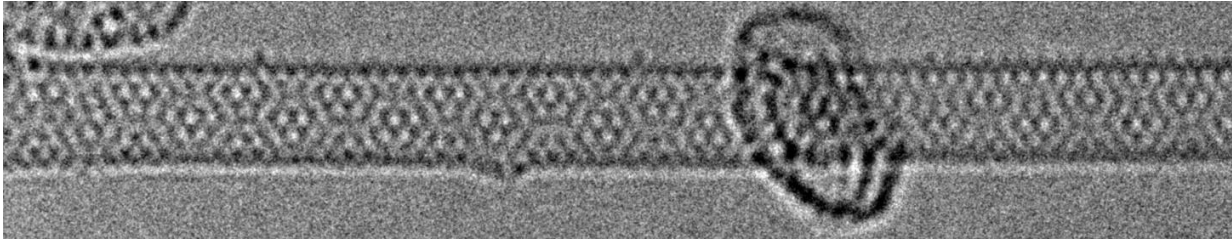
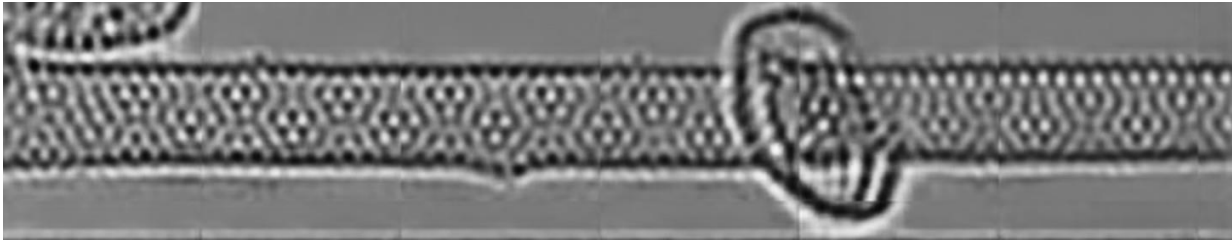


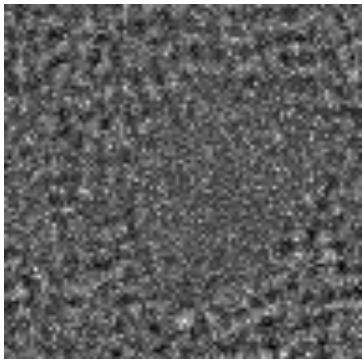
Image from experiment



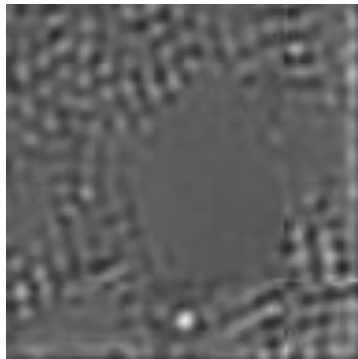
Denoised image

**Reduction of irradiation damage**

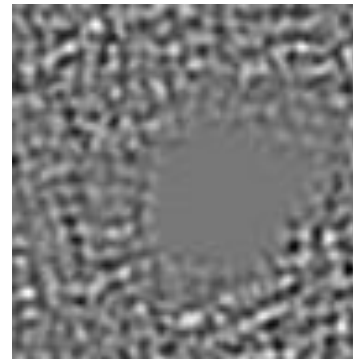
Amorphous carbon (synthetic images)



Noisy image  
(shot noise)



Denoised image



Ground truth

Faster image acquisition

Improved resolution

*Perspective:* Reduction of microscope aberrations

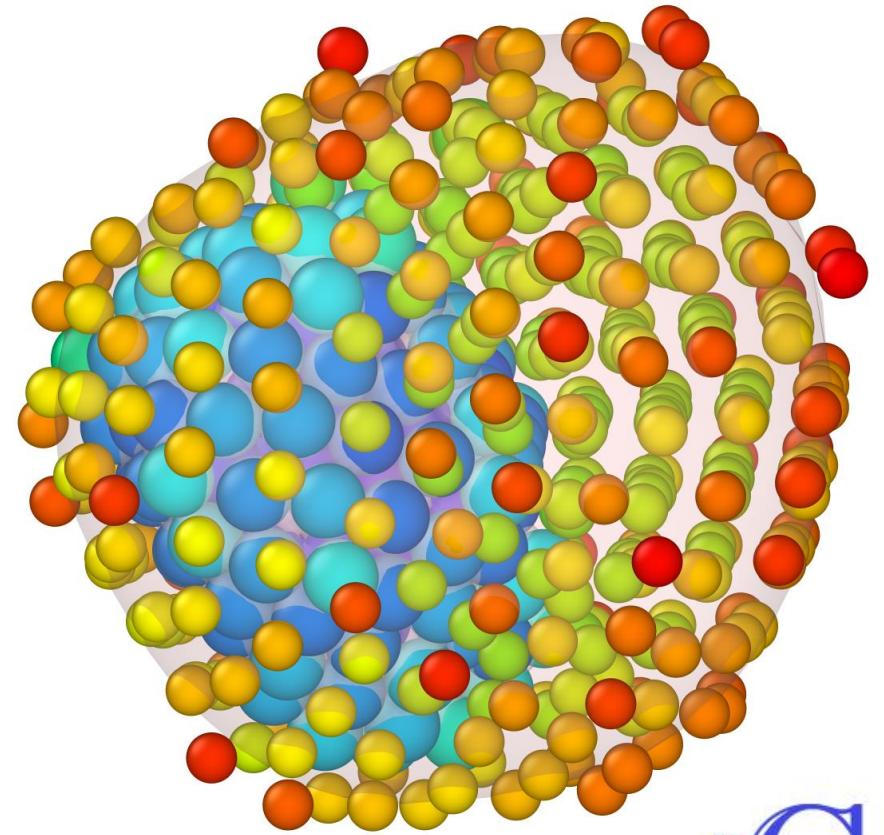
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