

# Geometric Whitney problem and inverse problems

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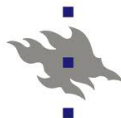
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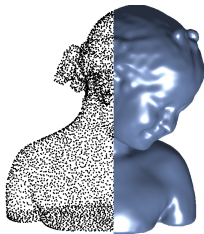
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- ▶ Classical and geometric Whitney problems
- ▶ Surface interpolation
- ▶ Riemannian manifolds in inverse problems and other applications
- ▶ Manifold interpolation: Construction of a manifold from distances with small errors
- ▶ Learning a manifold from distances with large random noise

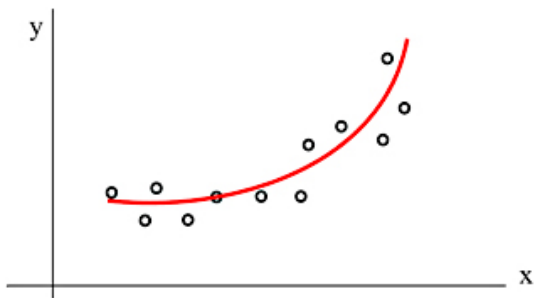


## Whitney problem with errors

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an arbitrary set,  $h : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Does there exist a function  $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in K} |F(x) - h(x)| \leq \varepsilon ?$$

If such extension  $F$  exists, what is its optimal  $C^m$ -norm?

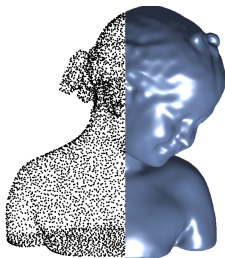
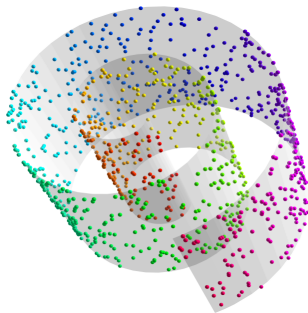


# Problem A: Construction of a surface in $\mathbb{R}^d$ from a point cloud.

Assume that we are given a set  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $n < d$ .

When one can construct a smooth  $n$ -dimensional surface  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  that approximates  $X$ ?

How can the surface  $M$  can be constructed when  $X$  is given?



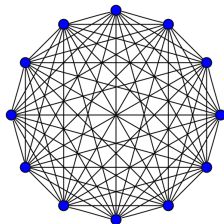
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## Problem B: Construction of a manifold from a discrete metric space.

Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a metric space. We ask when there exists a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  such that

- ▶ the curvature and injectivity radius of  $M$  are bounded, and
- ▶  $X$  approximates well  $M$  in the Gromov-Hausdorff topology.

How can the manifold  $(M, g)$  be constructed when  $X$  is given?



# Unsolved extension problems

In the above problems a neighbourhood of the data points “covers” the whole manifold  $M$  (there are no holes).

The following [extension problem for metric space](#) is unsolved:

Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a metric space. Is there a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  such that  $X$  can be embedded isometricly in  $M$ ?

A special case is the [boundary rigidity problem](#):

Let  $\partial M$  be the boundary of a compact manifold and  $f : \partial M \times \partial M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . When we can construct a Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M$  such that

$$\text{dist}_{(M,g)}(y_1, y_2) = f(y_1, y_2) \quad \text{for all } y_1, y_2 \in \partial M?$$

# Example: Imaging of the interior of the Earth

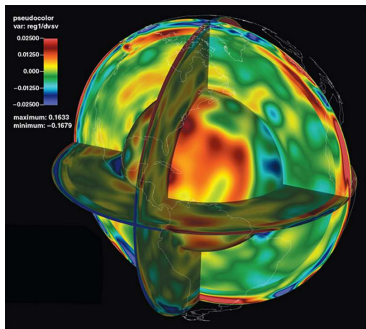
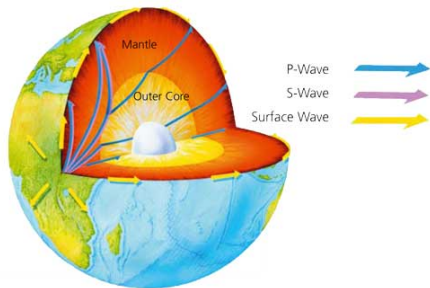


Fig. by Bozdag and Pugmire,

Let  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and

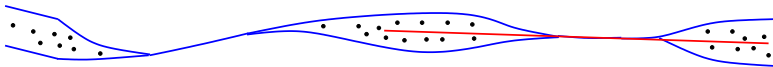
$d_g(x, y) =$  travel time of waves from  $x$  to  $y$ ,  $x, y \in M$ .

**Inverse problem:** Can we determine the metric  $g$  in  $M$  when we know  $d_g(z_1, z_2)$  for  $z_1, z_2 \in \partial M$ , that is, the travel times of the earthquakes between the points on the surface of the Earth?

When  $g = c(x)^{-2}\delta_{jk}$  and  $c(x)$  is close to 1, these data determine  $g$  uniquely (Burago-Ivanov 2010).

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# Example: Manifold learning from point cloud data

Consider a data set  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_j\}_{j=1}^N \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ .

The ISOMAP face data set contains  $N = 2370$  images of faces with  $d = 2914$  pixels.



Question: Define  $d_{\mathcal{X}}(x_j, x_k) = |x_j - x_k|_{\mathbb{R}^d}$  using the **Euclidean distance**. Can we find a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  that approximates  $\mathcal{X}$ ?

## Distance of two subsets

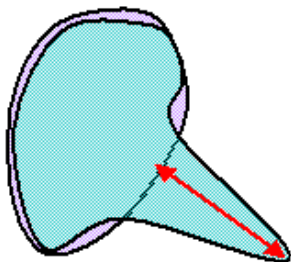
For a metric space  $Y$  and  $A \subset Y$ , the  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood  $U_\varepsilon(A)$  of  $A$  is

$$U_\varepsilon(A) = \{y \in Y; d(y, A) < \varepsilon\}, \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

We say that  $A$  is  $\varepsilon$ -dense in  $Y$  if  $U_\varepsilon(A) = Y$ .

For a metric space  $Y$  and sets  $A, B \subset Y$ , the **Hausdorff distance** between  $A$  and  $B$  in  $Y$  is

$$d_H(A, B) = \max \left( \sup_{x \in A} d(x, B), \sup_{y \in B} d(y, A) \right).$$



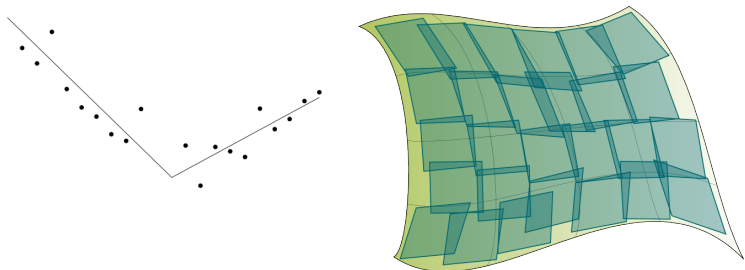
Let  $E = \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $B_r^E(x)$  be the ball in  $E$  with center  $x$  and radius  $r$ .

### Definition

Let  $X \subset E$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , and  $r, \delta > 0$ .

We say that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -close to  $n$ -flats at scale  $r$  if for any  $x \in X$ , there exists an  $n$ -dimensional affine space  $A_x \subset E$  through  $x$  such that

$$d_H\left(X \cap B_r^E(x), A_x \cap B_r^E(x)\right) \leq \delta.$$



Note: A bounded smooth  $n$ -surface in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is  $(Cr^2)$ -close to  $n$ -flats in scale  $r$ .

# Surface interpolation

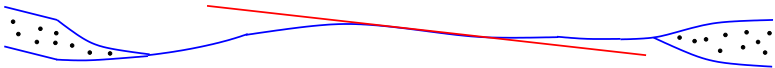
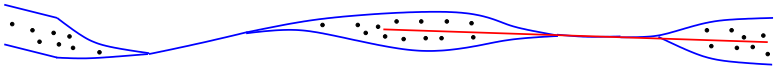
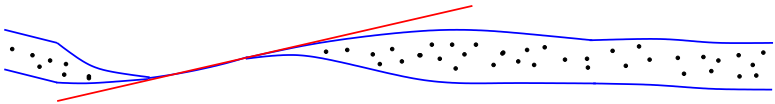
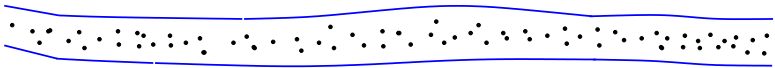
## Theorem

Let  $E$  be a separable Hilbert space,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $r > 0$ , and  $\delta < \delta_0(r, n)$ .

Suppose that  $X \subset E$  is  $\delta$ -close to  $n$ -flats at scale  $r$ . Then there exists a closed (or complete)  $n$ -dimensional smooth submanifold  $M \subset E$  such that:

1.  $d_H(X, M) \leq 5\delta$ .
2. The second fundamental form of  $M$  at every point is bounded by  $C_n \delta r^{-2}$ .
3. The normal injectivity radius of  $M$  is at least  $r/3$ .

In particular, if  $\delta < Cr^2$ , the surface  $M$  has bounded curvature.



Algorithm SurfaceInterpolation: We consider the case  $r = 1$  and assume that  $X \subset E = \mathbb{R}^d$  is finite. We suppose that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -close to  $n$ -flats at scale  $r$ . We implement the following steps:

1. Construct a maximal  $\frac{1}{100}$ -separated set  $X_0 = \{q_i\}_{i=1}^k \subset X$ .
2. For every point  $q_i \in X_0$ , let  $A_i \subset E$  be an affine subspace that approximates  $X \cap B_1(q_i)$  near  $q_i$ . Let  $P_i: E \rightarrow E$  be orthogonal projectors onto  $A_i$ .
3. Let  $\psi \in C_0^\infty([-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}])$  be 1 in  $[0, \frac{1}{3}]$  and  $\varphi_i: E \rightarrow E$  be

$$\varphi_i(x) = \mu_i(x)P_i(x) + (1 - \mu_i(x))x, \quad \mu_i(x) = \psi(|x - q_i|).$$

Define  $f: E \rightarrow E$  by

$$f = \varphi_k \circ \varphi_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ \varphi_1.$$

4. Construct the image  $M = f(U_\delta(X))$ .

The output is the  $n$ -dimensional surface  $M \subset E$ .

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## Some earlier methods for manifold learning

Let  $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^J \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be points on submanifold  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d > n$ .

- ▶ 'Multi Dimensional Scaling' (MDS) finds an embedding of data points into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $n < m < d$  by minimising a cost function

$$\min_{y_1, \dots, y_J \in \mathbb{R}^m} \sum_{j,k=1}^J \left| \|y_j - y_k\|_{\mathbb{R}^m} - d_{jk} \right|^2, \quad d_{jk} = \|x_j - x_k\|_{\mathbb{R}^d}$$

- ▶ 'Isomap' makes a graph of the  $K$  nearest neighbours and computes graph distances  $d_{jk}^G$  that approximate distances  $d_M(x_j, x_k)$  along the surface. Then MDS is applied. Note that if there is  $F : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $|F(x) - F(x')| = d_M(x, x')$ , then the curvature of  $M$  is zero.

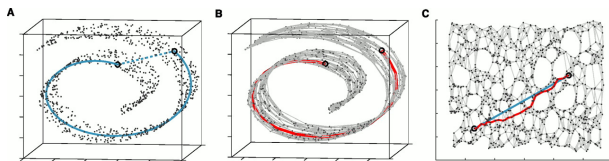


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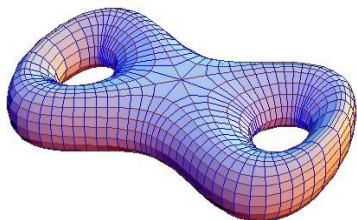


# Construction of a manifold from discrete data.

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, d_{\mathcal{X}})$  be a (discrete) metric space. We want to approximate it by a Riemannian manifold  $(M^*, g^*)$  so that

- ▶  $(\mathcal{X}, d_{\mathcal{X}})$  and  $(M^*, d_{g^*})$  are almost isometric,
- ▶ the curvature and the injectivity radius of  $M^*$  are bounded.

Note that  $\mathcal{X}$  is an “abstract metric space” and not a set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , and we want to learn the intrinsic metric of the manifold.



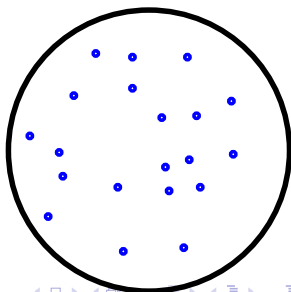
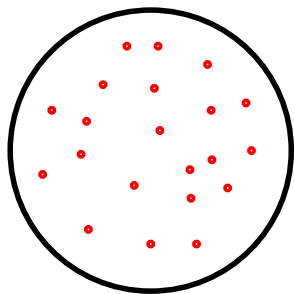
## Distance of two metric spaces

Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be (compact) metric spaces. Their **Gromov-Hausdorff** distance is

$$d_{GH}(X, Y) = \inf_Z \{d_H(X, Y); (Z, d_Z) \text{ is a metric space, } X \subset Z, Y \subset Z\}.$$

**More practical definition:**  $d_{GH}(X, Y)$  is the infimum of all  $\varepsilon > 0$  for which there are  $\varepsilon$ -dense sequences  $(x_j)_{j=1}^J \subset X$  and  $(y_j)_{j=1}^J \subset Y$  such that

$$|d_X(x_j, x_k) - d_Y(y_j, y_k)| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \text{for all } j, k = 1, 2, \dots, J.$$



## Example 1: Non-Euclidean metric in data sets

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The ISOMAP face data set contains  $N = 2370$  images of faces with  $d = 2914$  pixels.



Question: Define  $d_{\mathcal{X}}(x_j, x_k)$  using **Wasserstein distance** related to optimal transport. Does  $(\mathcal{X}, d_{\mathcal{X}})$  approximate a manifold and how this manifold can be constructed?

## Example 2: Travel time distances of points

Surface waves produced by earthquakes travel near the boundary of the Earth. The observations of several earthquakes give information on travel times  $d_T(x, y)$  between the points  $x, y \in \mathbb{S}^2$ .

Question: Can one determine the Riemannian metric associated to surface waves from the travel times with measurement errors?

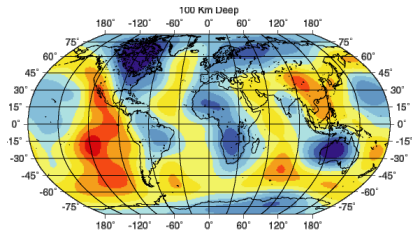
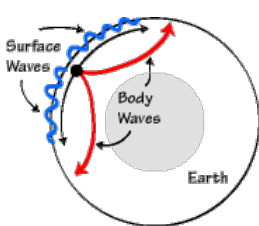
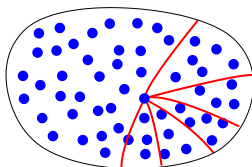
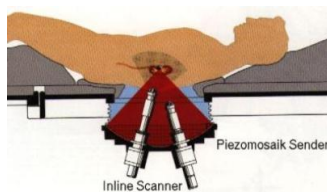


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## Example 3: An inverse problem for a manifold

Consider a physical  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  with an unknown wave speed  $c(x)$ . We can use boundary measurements to construct the distances  $d_g(x_j, x_k)$  in a discrete set  $X = \{x_j \in M : j = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$  (Belishev-Kurylev 1992, Bingham-Kurylev-L.-Siltanen 2008).



The solution for Problem B gives a construction of a smooth Riemannian manifold from  $(X, d_X)$ . This Riemannian metric is close to the travel time metric  $g$  determined by  $c(x)$ .

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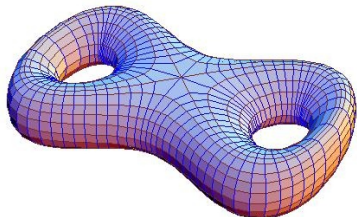
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# Construction of a manifold from discrete data.

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, d_{\mathcal{X}})$  be a (discrete) metric space. We aim to answer the question if there exists a Riemannian manifold  $(M^*, g^*)$  that approximates  $\mathcal{X}$  so that

- ▶  $d_{GH}((\mathcal{X}, d_{\mathcal{X}}), (M^*, d_{g^*})) < \varepsilon,$
- ▶ the curvature and the injectivity radius of  $M^*$  are bounded.

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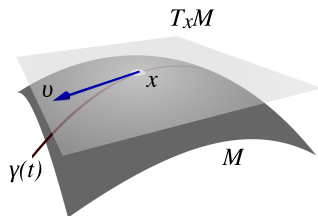
## A local condition

Let  $B_r^X(x)$  denote the ball of the metric space  $X$  and  $B_r^{\mathbb{R}^n}(0)$  denote the ball of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

### Definition

Let  $X$  be a metric space,  $r > \delta > 0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ . We say that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -close to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  at scale  $r$  if, for any  $x \in X$ ,

$$d_{GH}\left(B_r^X(x), B_r^{\mathbb{R}^n}(0)\right) < \delta.$$



Note: A compact smooth  $n$ -manifold is  $(Cr^3)$ -close  $\mathbb{R}^n$  at scale  $r$ .



# A global condition

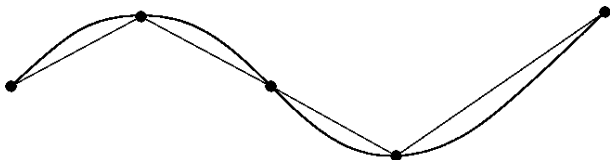
## Definition

Let  $X = (X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\delta > 0$ . A  $\delta$ -chain in  $X$  is a sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N \in X$  such that  $d(x_j, x_{j+1}) < \delta$  for all  $j$ .

A sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N \in X$  is said to be  $\delta$ -straight if

$$d(x_i, x_j) + d(x_j, x_k) < d(x_i, x_k) + \delta \quad \text{for all } 1 \leq i < j < k \leq N.$$

We say that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -intrinsic if for every pair of points  $x, y \in X$  there is a  $\delta$ -straight  $\delta$ -chain  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  with  $x_1 = x$  and  $x_N = y$ .



# Manifold learning

## Theorem

Let  $X$  be a metric space with a bounded diameter,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $r > 0$ , and  $0 < \delta < \delta_0(r, n)$ . Suppose that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -intrinsic and  $\delta$ -close to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  at scale  $r$ . Then there exists a compact  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold  $M$  such that

1.  $X$  and  $M$  satisfy

$$d_{GH}(X, M) < C\delta r^{-1} \text{diam}(X).$$

2. The sectional curvature  $\text{Sec}(M)$  of  $M$  satisfies

$$|\text{Sec}(M)| \leq C\delta r^{-3}.$$

3. The injectivity radius of  $M$  is bounded below by  $r/2$ .

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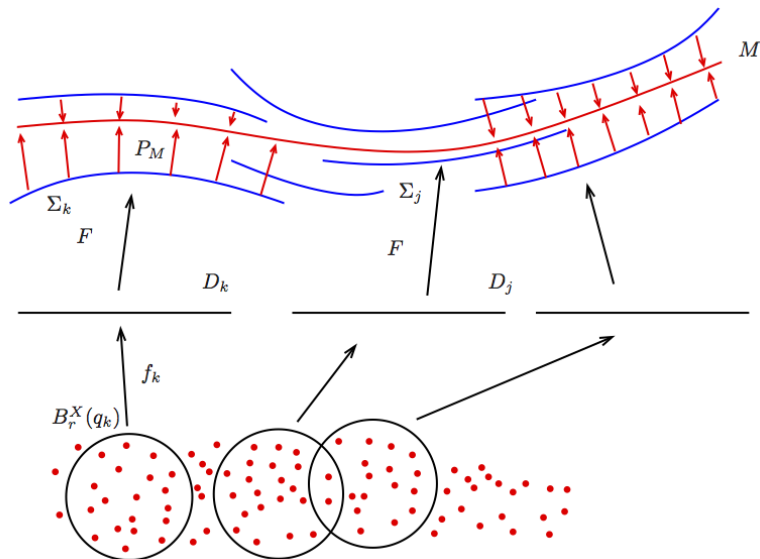
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# Rough idea of the proof of manifold interpolation



Assume that we are given a finite metric space  $(X, d)$ .

We do the following steps:

1. Select a maximal  $\frac{r}{100}$ -separated set  $X_0 = \{q_i\}_{i=1}^J \subset X$ .
2. Choose disjoint balls  $D_i = B_r(p_i) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, J$  and construct a  $\delta$ -isometry  $f_i : B_r^X(q_i) \rightarrow D_i$ .
3. For all  $q_i, q_j \in X_0$  such that  $d(q_i, q_j) < r$ , find affine transition maps  $A_{ij} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , such that

$$|A_{ij}(f_i(x)) - f_j(x)| < C\delta, \quad \text{for } x \in B_r^X(q_i) \cap B_r^X(q_j).$$

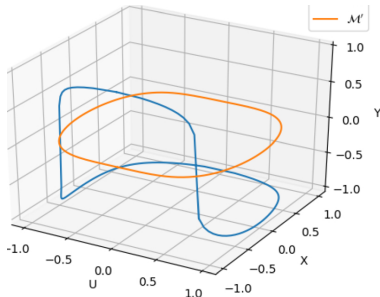
When  $i = j$ , we define  $A_{jj} = Id$ .

4. Let  $\Phi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be 1 near zero, and  $\Omega = \bigcup_i D_i$ .  
 Define smooth indicator functions  $\psi_{ij}(x) = \Phi(A_{ij}(x) - p_j)$ .  
 Define a map  $F_j: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  as follows: For  $x \in D_i = B_r(p_i)$ ,  
 put

$$F_j(x) = \begin{cases} (\psi_{ij}(x) \cdot (A_{ij}(x) - p_j), \psi_{ij}(x)), & \text{if } d(q_i, q_j) < r, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

5. Denote  $E = \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $m = (n+1)J$  and define

$$F: \Omega \rightarrow E, \quad F(x) = (F_j(x))_{j=1}^J.$$



6. Construct the local patches  $\Sigma_i = F(D_i) \subset E$ .
7. Apply algorithm *SurfaceInterpolation* for the set  $\bigcup_i \Sigma_i$  to construct a surface  $M \subset E$ .
8. Let  $P_M$  be the normal projection on  $M$ .
9. Construct a metric tensor  $g$  on  $M$  by pushing forward the Euclidean metric  $g^e$  on  $D_i$  in the maps  $P_M \circ F$  and computing a weighted average of the obtained metric tensors.

The output is the surface  $M \subset E$  and the metric  $g$  on it.

Next we consider applications of the above theorem in reconstruction of an unknown manifold.

## Theorem (Fefferman, Ivanov, Kurylev, L., Narayanan 2015)

Let  $0 < \delta < c_1(n, K)$  and  $M$  be a compact  $n$ -dimensional manifold with  $|\text{Sec}(M)| \leq K$  and  $\text{inj}(M) > 2(\delta/K)^{1/3}$ . Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_j\}_{j=1}^N$  be  $\delta$ -dense in  $M$  and  $\tilde{d}: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{0\}$  satisfy

$$|\tilde{d}(x, y) - d_M(x, y)| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in \mathcal{X}.$$

Given the values  $\tilde{d}(x_j, x_k)$ ,  $j, k = 1, \dots, N$ , one can construct a compact  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold  $(M^*, g^*)$  such that:

1. There is a diffeomorphism  $F: M^* \rightarrow M$  satisfying

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# Random sample points and random errors

**Manifolds with bounded geometry:**

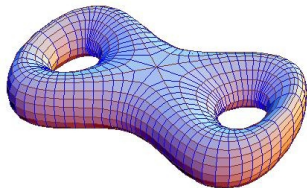
Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer,  $K > 0$ ,  $D > 0$ ,  $i_0 > 0$ . Let  $(M, g)$  be a compact Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n$  such that

- i)  $\|\text{Sec}_M\|_{L^\infty(M)} \leq K$ ,
  - ii)  $\text{diam}(M) \leq D$ ,
  - iii)  $\text{inj}(M) \geq i_0$ ,
- (1)

**We consider measurements in randomly sampled points:**

Let  $X_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$  be independently samples from probability distribution  $\mu$  on  $M$  satisfying

$$0 < c_{\min} \leq \frac{d\mu}{d\text{Vol}_g} \leq c_{\max}.$$



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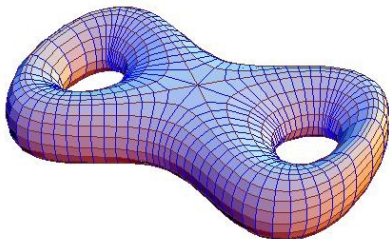
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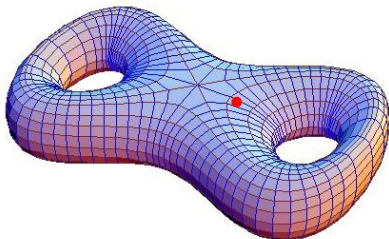
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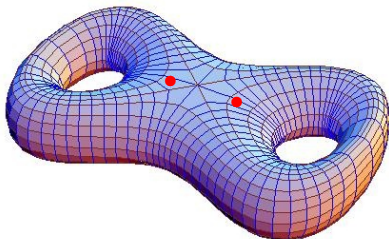
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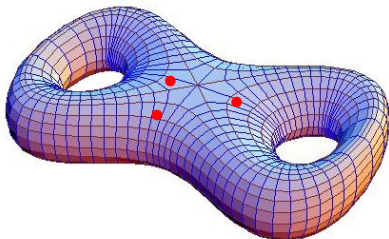
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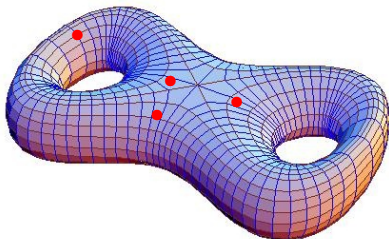
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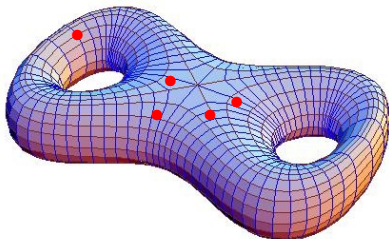
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$$r_z(x) = d_M(z, x), \quad x \in M.$$

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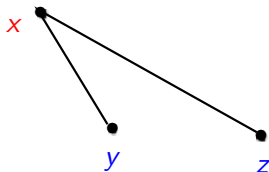
$$\kappa(y, z) = \|r_y - r_z\|_{L^2(M)}^2 = \int_M |d_M(y, x) - d_M(z, x)|^2 d\mu(x).$$

### Lemma

There is a constant  $c_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$c_0^2 d_M(y, z)^2 \leq \|r_y - r_z\|_{L^2(M, d\mu)}^2 \leq d_M(y, z)^2, \quad y, z \in M.$$

That is, the map  $R : z \mapsto r_z$  is a bi-Lipschitz embedding  
 $R : M \rightarrow R(M) \subset L^2(M)$ .



## Lemma (Hoeffding's inequality)

Let  $Z_1, \dots, Z_N$  be  $N$  independent, identically distributed copies of the random variable  $Z$  whose range is  $[0, 1]$ . Then, for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\mathbb{P} \left[ \left| \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j \right) - \mathbb{E}Z \right| \leq \varepsilon \right] \geq 1 - 2 \exp(-2N\varepsilon^2).$$

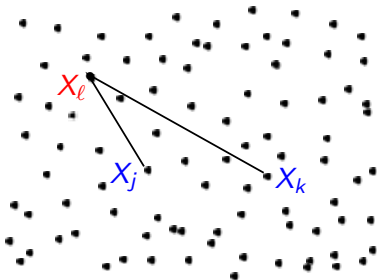
We consider three sets  $S_1, S_2, S_3 \subset \{X_j\}$ , where  $N_i = \#S_i$  satisfy  $N_1 > N_2 > N_3$ . We call  $S_1 = \{X_1, \dots, X_{N_1}\}$  the densest net,  $S_2$  the medium dense net and  $S_3$  the coarse net.

We give an algorithm to construct  $(M^*, g^*)$  from noisy data.

**Step 1:** For  $X_j, X_k \in S_2$  are in the “medium dense net”, we compute

$$\kappa_{app}(X_j, X_k) = \frac{1}{N_1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_1} |D_{j\ell} - D_{k\ell}|^2 - 2\sigma^2,$$

where we take a sum over the “densest net”  $S_1$ .



Denote  $\kappa(X_j, X_k) = \|r_{X_j} - r_{X_k}\|_{L^2(M)}^2$ . A simple calculation shows

$$\mathbb{E}\left(|D_{j\ell} - D_{k\ell}|^2 \mid X_j, X_k\right) = \|r_{X_j} - r_{X_k}\|_{L^2(M)}^2 + 2\sigma^2.$$

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Thus Hoeffding's inequality yields the following:

### Lemma

Let  $L > D + 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . If  $|\eta_{jk}| < L$  almost surely, then

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\left|\kappa_{app}(X_j, X_k) - \kappa(X_j, X_k)\right| \leq \varepsilon\right] \geq 1 - 2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8} N_1 L^{-4} \varepsilon^2\right).$$

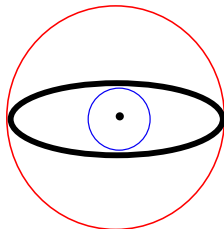
Recall that function  $\kappa(y, z) = \|r_y - r_z\|_{L^2(M)}^2 \approx \kappa_{app}(y, z)$  is a rough distance function:

$$c_0^2 d_M(y, z)^2 \leq \kappa(y, z) \leq d_M(y, z)^2.$$

Let  $W(y, \rho)$  and  $W_{app}(y, \rho)$  be the sets

$$\begin{aligned} W(y, \rho) &= \{z \in M : \kappa(y, z) < \rho^2\}, \\ W_{app}(y, \rho) &= \{z \in M : \kappa_{app}(y, z) < \rho^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $B_M(y, \frac{1}{c_0}\rho) \subset W(y, \rho) \subset B_M(y, \rho)$ .



For  $y_1, y_2 \in M$ , we define the averaged distances

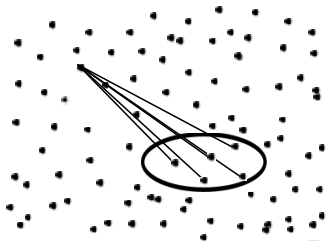
$$d_\rho(y_1, y_2) = \frac{1}{\mu(W(y_1, \rho))} \int_{W(y_1, \rho)} d_M(z, y_2) d\mu(z).$$

**Step 2:** For  $X_j, X_{j'} \in S_3$ , where  $S_3$  is the coarse net, compute

$$d_\rho^{app}(X_j, X_{j'}) = \frac{1}{\#(S_2 \cap W_{app}(X_j, \rho))} \sum_{X_k \in S_2 \cap W_{app}(X_j, \rho)} D_{kj'}.$$

There is  $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\rho, \theta)$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}[\forall X_j, X_{j'} \in S_3 : |d_\rho^{app}(X_j, X_{j'}) - d_M(X_j, X_{j'})| < \delta_1] \geq 1 - \theta.$$





Summarizing, for points  $S_3 = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{N_3}\}$  we find  $d_\rho^{app}(y_j, y_{j'})$  such that

$$|d_\rho^{app}(y_j, y_{j'}) - d_M(y_j, y_{j'})| < \delta_1$$

with a large probability.

**Step 3:** Using the deterministic results with small errors we find a smooth manifold  $(M^*, g^*)$  using the net  $S_3$  and the approximate distance  $d_\rho^{app}(y_1, y_2)$  of  $y_1, y_2 \in S_3$ .

## Generalization with missing data

Recall that  $D_{jk} = d_M(X_j, X_k) + \eta_{jk}$ .

We can assume that we are given

$$D_{jk}^{(\text{partial data})} = \begin{cases} D_{jk} & \text{if } Y_{jk} = 1, \\ \text{'missing'} & \text{if } Y_{jk} = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $Y_{jk} \in \{0, 1\}$  are independent random variables,

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_{jk} = 1 \mid X_j, X_k) = \Phi(X_j, X_k)$$

and  $\Phi : M \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is some (unknown) function such that there is a smooth non-increasing function  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  so that

$$c_1 h(d_M(x, y)) \leq \Phi(x, y) \leq c_2 h(d_M(x, y)).$$

Thank you for your attention!