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Geometric Statistics

Mathematical foundations and applications in computational anatomy



Freely adapted from "Women teaching geometry", in Adelard of Bath translation of Euclid's elements, 1310.

1/ Intrinsic Statistics on Riemannian Manifolds

Geometric Statistics workshop 09/2019





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Science that studies the structure and the relationship in space of different organs and tissues in living systems [Hachette Dictionary]



Revolution of observation means (~1990):

- □ From dissection to in-vivo in-situ imaging
- From the description of one representative individual to generative statistical models of the population

Computational Anatomy



Statistics of organ shapes across subjects in species, populations, diseases...

- □ Mean shape (atlas), subspace of normal vs pathologic shapes
- Shape variability (Covariance)
- □ Model development across time (growth, ageing, ages...)

Use for personalized medicine (diagnostic, follow-up, etc)

Geometric features in Computational Anatomy

Noisy geometric features

- □ Curves, sets of curves (fiber tracts)
- Surfaces, SPD matrices
- Transformations







Vertebra #3 T₂ Vertebra #7 T₁ Vertebra #1 T₀ Vertebra #1 Vertebra #1

Statistical modeling at the population level

- □ Simple Statistics on non-linear manifolds?
 - Mean, covariance of its estimation, PCA, PLS, ICA
- GS: Statistics on manifolds vs IG: manifolds of statistical models

Methods of computational anatomy

Remodeling of the right ventricle of the heart in tetralogy of Fallot

- □ Mean shape
- □ Shape variability
- Correlation with clinical variables
- Predicting remodeling effect



Shape of RV in 18 patients

Morphometry through Deformations



Measure of deformation [D'Arcy Thompson 1917, Grenander & Miller]

- Observation = "random" deformation of a reference template
- □ Reference template = Mean (atlas)
- □ Shape variability encoded by the deformations

Statistics on groups of transformations (Lie groups, diffeomorphism)?

Consistency with group operations (non commutative)?

Longitudinal deformation analysis Dynamic obervations



How to transport longitudinal deformation across subjects? What are the convenient mathematical settings? Geometric Statistics: Mathematical foundations and applications in computational anatomy

Intrinsic Statistics on Riemannian Manifolds

Metric and Affine Geometric Settings for Lie Groups

Parallel Transport to Analyze Longitudinal Deformations

Advances Statistics: CLT & PCA

RIEMANNIAN GEOMETRIC STATISTICS IN MEDICAL IMAGE ANALYSIS



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Part 1: Foundations

- □ 1: Riemannian geometry [Sommer, Fetcher, Pennec]
- 2: Statistics on manifolds [Fletcher]
- □ 3: Manifold-valued image processing with SPD matrices [Pennec]
- 4: Riemannian Geometry on Shapes and Diffeomorphisms [Marsland, Sommer]
- 5: Beyond Riemannian: the affine connection setting for transformation groups [Pennec, Lorenzi]

Part 2: Statistics on Manifolds and Shape Spaces

- 6: Object Shape Representation via Skeletal Models (s-reps) and Statistical Analysis [Pizer, Maron]
- 7: Inductive Fréchet Mean Computation on S(n) and SO(n) with Applications [Chakraborty, Vemuri]
- □ 8: Statistics in stratified spaces [Ferage, Nye]
- 9: Bias in quotient space and its correction [Miolane, Devilier,Pennec]
- 10: Probabilistic Approaches to Statistics on Manifolds: Stochastic Processes, Transition Distributions, and Fiber Bundle Geometry [Sommer]
- 11: Elastic Shape Analysis, Square-Root Representations and Their Inverses [Zhang, Klassen, Srivastava]

Part 3: Deformations, Diffeomorphisms and their Applications

- 13: Geometric RKHS models for handling curves and surfaces in Computational Anatomy : currents, varifolds, fshapes, normal cycles [Charlie, Charon, Glaunes, Gori, Roussillon]
- 14: A Discretize-Optimize Approach for LDDMM Registration [Polzin, Niethammer, Vialad, Modezitski]
- □ 15: Spatially varying metrics in the LDDMM framework [Vialard, Risser]
- 16: Low-dimensional Shape Analysis In the Space of Diffeomorphisms [Zhang, Fleche, Wells, Golland]
- In 17: Diffeomorphic density matching, Bauer, Modin, Joshi]

Supports for the course

http://www-sop.inria.fr/asclepios/cours/Peyresq_2019/

□ 1/ Intrinsic Statistics on Riemannian Manifolds

- Introduction to differential and Riemannian geometry. **Chapter 1**, RGSMIA. Elsevier, 2019.
- Intrinsic Statistics on Riemannian Manifolds: Basic Tools for Geometric Measurements. JMIV 2006.
- 2/ SPD matrices and manifold-valued image processing
 - Manifold-valued image processing with SPD matrices. **Chapter 3** RGSMIA. Elsevier, 2019.
 - Historical reference: A Riemannian Framework for Tensor Computing. IJCV 2006.

I 3/ Metric and affine geometric settings for Lie groups

• Beyond Riemannian Geometry The affine connection setting for transformation groups Chapter 5, RGSMIA. Elsevier, 2019.

□ 4/ Parallel transport to analyze longitudinal deformations

- Geodesics, Parallel Transport and One-parameter Subgroups for Diffeomorphic Image Registration. IJCV 105(2), November 2013.
- Parallel Transport with Pole Ladder: a Third Order Scheme...[arXiv:1805.11436]

□ 5/ Advanced statistics: central limit theorem and extension of PCA

- Curvature effects on the empirical mean in Riemannian and affine Manifolds [arXiv:1906.07418]
- Barycentric Subspace Analysis on Manifolds. Annals of Statistics. 46(6A):2711-2746, 2018. [arXiv:1607.02833]

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Homogeneous spaces, Lie groups and symmetric spaces

Riemannian or affine connection spaces

Towards non-smooth quotient and stratified spaces

Differentiable manifolds

Computing on a manifold

- □ Extrinsic
 - Embedding in \mathbb{R}^n
- □ Intrinsic
 - Coordinates : charts
- □ Measuring?
 - Lengths
 - Straight lines
 - Volumes





Measuring extrinsic distances

Basic tool: the scalar product

 $\langle v, w \rangle = v^t w$

• Norm of a vector $||v|| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$

• Length of a curve

 $L(\gamma) = \int \|\dot{\gamma}(t)\| dt$







Measuring extrinsic distances

Basic tool: the scalar product



 $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \mathbb{P}^{t} \mathcal{W} G(p) \mathcal{W}$

Norm of a vector

$$\left\| v \right\|_p = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle_p}$$

Bernhard Riemann 1826-1866

• Length of a curve $L(\gamma) = \int \|\dot{\gamma}(t)\| dt$







Riemannian manifolds

Basic tool: the scalar product



 $\langle v, w \rangle_p = v^t G(p) w$



- Geodesics
 - Shortest path between 2 points
- Calculus of variations (E.L.):
 Length of a curve order differential equation (speci(ije)s=acct ic(ije)(ia)(i))
 - Free parameters: initial speed and starting point





Bases of Algorithms in Riemannian Manifolds

Exponential map (Normal coordinate system):

- \square Exp_x = geodesic shooting parameterized by the initial tangent
- \Box Log_x = unfolding the manifold in the tangent space along geodesics
 - Geodesics = straight lines with Euclidean distance
 - Geodesic completeness: covers M \ Cut(x)

Reformulate algorithms with exp _x and log _x Vector -> Bi-point (no more equivalence classes)						
Operation	Euclidean space	Riemannian				
Subtraction	$\overrightarrow{xy} = y - x$	$\overrightarrow{xy} = Log_x(y)$	M			
Addition	$y = x + \overrightarrow{xy}$	$y = Exp_x(\overrightarrow{xy})$				
Distance	$\operatorname{dist}(x, y) = \left\ y - x \right\ $	$\operatorname{dist}(x, y) = \left\ \overrightarrow{xy} \right\ _{x}$				
Gradient descent	$x_{t+\varepsilon} = x_t - \varepsilon \nabla C(x_t)$	$x_{t+\varepsilon} = Exp_{x_t}(-\varepsilon \nabla C(x_t))$				

Cut locus



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Basic probabilities and statistics

Measure: random vector x of pdf $p_x(z)$ $\mathbf{X} \sim (\overline{\mathbf{X}}, \Sigma_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}})$ **Approximation:** $\overline{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \int z \cdot p_{\mathbf{x}}(z) \cdot dz$ • Mean: $\Sigma_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{E}\left[(\mathbf{x} - \overline{\mathbf{x}}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \overline{\mathbf{x}})^T\right]$ • Covariance: **Propagation:** $\mathbf{y} = h(\mathbf{x}) \sim \left(h(\overline{\mathbf{x}}), \frac{\partial h}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}} \cdot \frac{\partial h}{\partial \mathbf{x}}^{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ Noise model: additive, Gaussian... **Principal component analysis Statistical distance:** Mahalanobis and χ^2

Random variable in a Riemannian Manifold

Intrinsic pdf of x

□ For every set H

$$P(\mathbf{x} \in H) = \int_{H} p(y) dM(y)$$



⊢ Lebesgue's measure

→ Uniform Riemannian Mesure $dM(y) = \sqrt{\det(G(y))} dy$

Expectation of an observable in M

$$\Box \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}}[\phi] = \int_{M} \phi(y) p(y) dM(y)$$

$$\Box \quad \phi = dist^{2} \text{ (variance)} : \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}}[dist(.,y)^{2}] = \int_{M} dist(y,z)^{2} p(z) dM(z)$$

$$\Box \quad \phi = \log(p) \text{ (information)} : \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}}[\log(p)] = \int_{M} p(y) \log(p(y)) dM(y)$$

$$\Box \quad \phi = x \text{ (mean)} : \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}}[\mathbf{x}] = \int_{\mathbf{M}} y p(y) dM(y)$$

First statistical tools

Moments of a random variable: tensor fields

□ 𝔅₁(x) = ∫_M xz P(dz)
 □ 𝔅₂(x) = ∫_M xz ⊗ xz P(dz)
 □ 𝔅_k(x) = ∫_M xz ⊗ xz ⊗ ··· ⊗ xz P(dz)
 Tangent mean: (0,1) tensor field
 Covariance: (0,2) tensor field
 ∞ 𝔅_k(x) = ∫_M xz ⊗ xz ⊗ ··· ⊗ xz P(dz)
 k-contravariant tensor field

Fréchet mean set

□ Integral only valid in Hilbert/Wiener spaces [Fréchet 44]

$$\Box \ \sigma^2(x) = Tr_g(\mathfrak{M}_2(x)) = \int_M dist^2(x,z) P(dz)$$

- Fréchet mean [1948] = global minima
- □ Exponential barycenters [Emery & Mokobodzki 1991] $\mathfrak{M}_1(\bar{x}) = \int_M \overline{\bar{x}z} P(dz) = 0$ [critical points if P(C) =0]



Maurice Fréchet (1878-1973)

Fréchet expectation (1944)

Minimizing the variance

Existence

$$\mathsf{E}[\mathbf{x}] = \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in \mathsf{M}} \left(\mathsf{E}[\operatorname{dist}(y, \mathbf{x})^2] \right)$$

□ Finite variance at one point

Characterization as an exponential barycenter (P(C)=0)

grad
$$(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}(y)) = 0 \implies E\left[\overrightarrow{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}\right] = \int_{M} \overrightarrow{\overline{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}} p_{\mathbf{x}}(z) d\mathbf{M}(z) = 0$$

Uniqueness Karcher 77 / Kendall 90 / Afsari 10 / Le 10

□ Unique Karcher mean (thus Fréchet) if distribution has support in a regular geodesic ball with radius $r < r^* = \frac{1}{2} \min(inj(M), \pi/\sqrt{\kappa})$ (k upper bound on sectional curvatures on M) □ Empirical mean: a.s. uniqueness [Arnaudon & Miclo 2013]

Other central primitives

$$\mathsf{E}^{\alpha}[\mathbf{x}] = \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in \mathsf{M}} \left(\mathsf{E}[\operatorname{dist}(y, \mathbf{x})^{\alpha}] \right)^{1_{\alpha}}$$

A gradient descent (Gauss-Newton) algorithm

Vector space $f(x+v) = f(x) + \nabla f^T \cdot v + \frac{1}{2} v^T \cdot H_f \cdot v$ $x_{t+1} = x_t + v \quad \text{with} \quad v = -H_f^{(-1)} \cdot \nabla f$

Manifold
$$f(\exp_x(v)) = f(x) + \nabla f(v) + \frac{1}{2}H_f(v, v)$$



$$\nabla \left(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}(\mathbf{y}) \right) = -2 \operatorname{E} \left[\overrightarrow{\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}} \right] = \frac{-2}{n} \sum_{i} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}_{i}}$$
$$H_{\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}} \approx 2Id$$

Geodesic marching

$$\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{t+1} = \exp_{\overline{\mathbf{x}}_t}(v) \quad \text{with} \quad v = \mathbf{E}\left[\overrightarrow{\mathbf{yx}}\right]$$

Example on 3D rotations

Space of rotations SO(3):

- □ Manifold: R^T .R=Id and det(R)=+1
- $\Box \text{ Lie group (} R_1 \circ R_2 = R_1 \cdot R_2 \text{ & Inversion: } R^{(-1)} = R^T \text{)}$

Metrics on SO(3): compact space, there exists a bi-invariant metric

□ Left / right invariant / induced by ambient space $\langle X, Y \rangle = Tr(X^T Y)$

Group exponential

□ One parameter subgroups = bi-invariant Geodesic starting at Id

- Matrix exponential and Rodrigue's formula: R=exp(X) and X = log(R)
- □ Geodesic everywhere by left (or right) translation

 $Log_{R}(U) = R log(R^{T} U)$ $Exp_{R}(X) = R exp(R^{T} X)$

Bi-invariant Riemannian distance

 $\Box \ d(R,U) = ||log(R^{T}U)|| = \theta(R^{T}U)$

Example with 3D rotations



Distributions for parametric tests

Uniform density:

 \square maximal entropy knowing X

$$p_{\mathbf{x}}(z) = \operatorname{Ind}_{X}(z) / \operatorname{Vol}(X)$$

Generalization of the Gaussian density:

- □ Stochastic heat kernel p(x,y,t) [complex time dependency]
- Wrapped Gaussian [Infinite series difficult to compute]
- Maximal entropy knowing the mean and the covariance

$$N(y) = k . \exp\left(\left(\overrightarrow{\overline{x}x}\right)^{\mathrm{T}} . \Gamma . \left(\overrightarrow{\overline{x}x}\right)/2\right) \qquad \Gamma = \Sigma^{(-1)} - \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{Ric} + O(\sigma) + \varepsilon(\sigma/r)$$
$$k = (2\pi)^{-n/2} . \det(\Sigma)^{-1/2} . (1 + O(\sigma^3) + \varepsilon(\sigma/r))$$

Mahalanobis D2 distance / test:

□ Any distribution:

$$\mu_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}(\mathbf{y}) = \overrightarrow{\overline{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{y}}^{t} \cdot \Sigma_{\mathbf{xx}}^{(-1)} \cdot \overrightarrow{\overline{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{y}}$$
$$E[\mu_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}(\mathbf{x})] = n$$
$$\mu_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}(\mathbf{x}) \propto \chi_{n}^{2} + O(\sigma^{3}) + \varepsilon(\sigma / r)$$

□ Gaussian:

[Pennec, JMIV06, NSIP'99]

Gaussian on the circle

Exponential chart: $x = r\theta \in \left[-\pi . r; \pi . r\right]$

Gaussian: truncated standard Gaussian



tPCA vs PGA

tPCA

- Generative model: Gaussian
- □ Find the subspace that best explains the variance
 - \rightarrow Maximize the squared distance to the mean

PGA (Fletcher 2004, Sommer 2014)

- □ Generative model:
 - Implicit uniform distribution within the subspace
 - Gaussian distribution in the vertical space
- Find a low dimensional subspace (geodesic subspaces?) that minimizes the error

 \rightarrow Minimize the squared Riemannian distance from the measurements to that sub-manifold (no closed form)

Different models in curved spaces (no Pythagore thm) Extension to BSA tomorrow

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Statistical Analysis of the Scoliotic Spine [J. Boisvert et al. ISBI'06, AMDO'06 and IEEE TMI 27(4), 2008]





Database

- 307 Scoliotic patients from the Montreal's Sainte-Justine Hospital.
- B 3D Geometry from multi-planar X-rays

Mean

- Main translation variability is axial (growth?)
- Main rot. var. around anterior-posterior axis



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PCA of the Covariance:

4 first variation modes have clinical meaning

Mode 1: King's class I or III

- Mode 3: King's class IV + V
- Mode 2: King's class I, II, III Mode 4: King's class V (+II)

Typical Registration Result with Bivariate Correlation Ratio

Pre - Operative MR Image Per - Operative US Image Registered coronal sagitta corona a **g**itta

Acquisition of images : L. & D. Auer, M. Rudolf

Accuracy Evaluation (Consistency)



T_{US 1.3}

$$\sigma_{loop}^2 = 2\sigma_{MR/US}^2 + \sigma_{MR}^2 + \sigma_{US}^2$$

Bronze Standard Rigid Registration Validation



Best explanation of the observations (ML) : $C = \sum_{ij} d^2(T_{ij}, \hat{T}_{ij})$

- □ LSQ criterion
- □ Robust Fréchet mean $d^2(T_1, T_2) = \min(\mu^2(T_1, T_2), \chi^2)$
- Robust initialization and Newton gradient descent

Result

$$T_{i,j}, \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle rot}, \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle trans}$$

[T. Glatard & al, MICCAI 2006,

Int. Journal of HPC Apps, 2006]

Derive tests on transformations for accuracy / consistency

Results on per-operative patient images

Data (per-operative US)

- □ 2 pre-op MR (0.9 x 0.9 x 1.1 mm)
- □ 3 per-op US (0.63 and 0.95 mm)
- □ 3 loops

Robustness and precision

	Success	var rot (deg)	var trans (mm)
MI	29%	0.53	0.25
CR	90%	0.45	0.17
BCR	85%	0.39	0.11

Consistency of BCR

	var rot (deg)	var trans (mm)	var test (mm)
Multiple MR	0.06	0.06	0.10
Loop	2.22	0.82	2.33
MR/US	1.57	0.58	1.65



[Pennec et al, Multi-Sensor Image Fusion, Chap. 4, CRC Press, 2005]





Mosaicing of Confocal Microscopic in Vivo Video Sequences.

Cellvizio: Fibered confocal fluorescence imaging





Courtesy of Mike Booth, MGH, Boston, MA



FOV 200x200 μm FOV 2747x638 μm



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Common coordinate system

- Multiple rigid registration
- Refine with non rigid

Mosaic image creation

Interpolation / approximation
 with irregular sampling





[T. Vercauteren et al., MICCAI 2005, T.1, p.753-760]