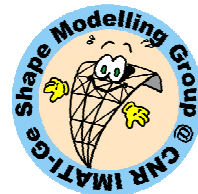


Spectral Shape Analysis: Numerical Methods and Applications

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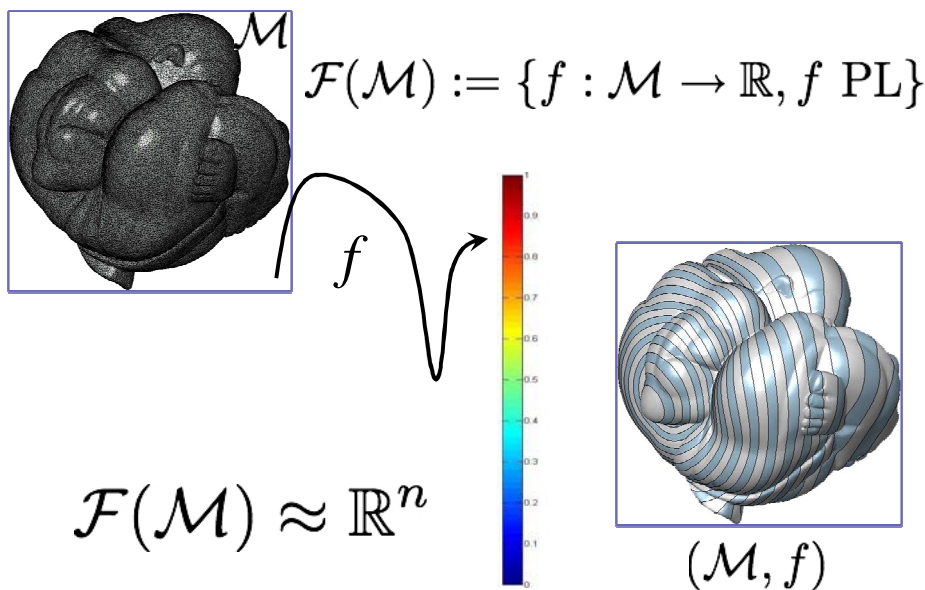
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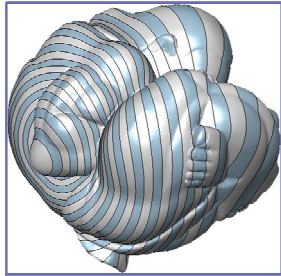
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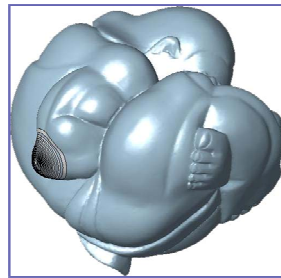
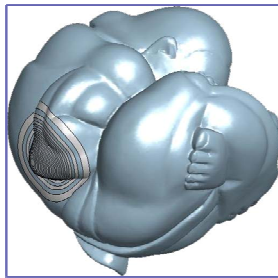
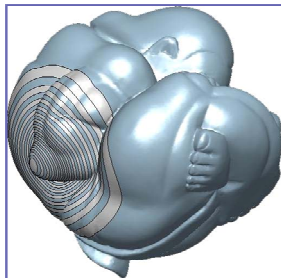
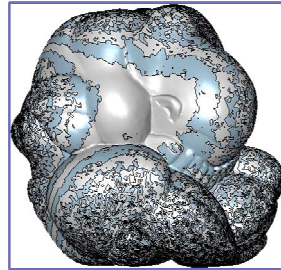
Feature space



Feature space



Global support
noise



Similar local behavior, compact support

Feature space

– How to

- generate functions in $F(M)$;
- design functions with specific differential properties and behavior;
- select functions in $F(M)$;
- measure properties/distances in $F(M)$;
- address applications: function/shape smoothing, approximation, compression, comparison, deformation;
- ...

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Laplace-Beltrami operator

\mathcal{N} manifold

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta : & \mathcal{C}^2(\mathcal{N}) & \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^0(\mathcal{N}) \\ & f & \longmapsto \Delta f \end{array}$$

Laplacian eigenfunction

$$\Delta f = \lambda f$$

Harmonic function

$$\begin{cases} \Delta f = 0 \\ f|_{\mathcal{B}} := f_0 \end{cases}$$

Heat equation

$$\partial_t f(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta f(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Laplacian matrix

Consider the **linear FEM discretization** of the Laplace Beltrami operator

$$\Delta \approx \underbrace{\tilde{L} := B^{-1}L}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Laplacian matrix} \\ \text{[Reuter06, VALLET09]} \end{array}$$

$$f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) \leftrightarrow (f(\mathbf{p}_i))_{i=1}^n \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{L} : \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) & \rightarrow & \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) \\ \mathbf{f} & \mapsto & \tilde{L}\mathbf{f} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Feature map} \end{array}$$

Laplacian matrix

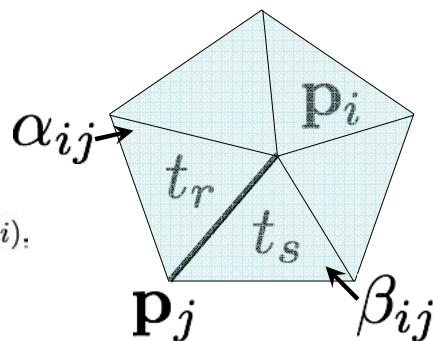
Stiffness matrix L

$$\tilde{L} := B^{-1}L$$

$$L(i, j) := \begin{cases} w(i, j) := \frac{\cot \alpha_{ij} + \cot \beta_{ij}}{2} & j \in N(i), \\ -\sum_{k \in N(i)} w(i, k) & i = j, \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

Mass matrix B

$$B(i, j) := \begin{cases} \frac{|t_r| + |t_s|}{12} & j \in N(i), \\ \frac{\sum_{k \in N(i)} |t_k|}{6} & i = j, \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$



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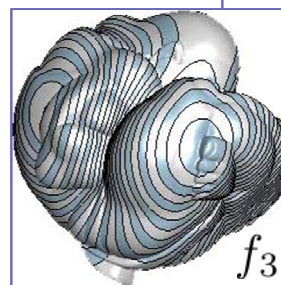
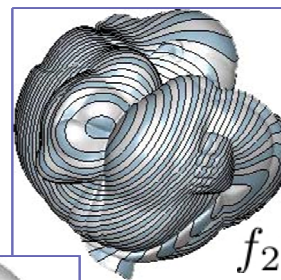
Laplacian spectrum [NGH04,RWP06]

- Consider the spectrum of the Laplacian matrix associated to M

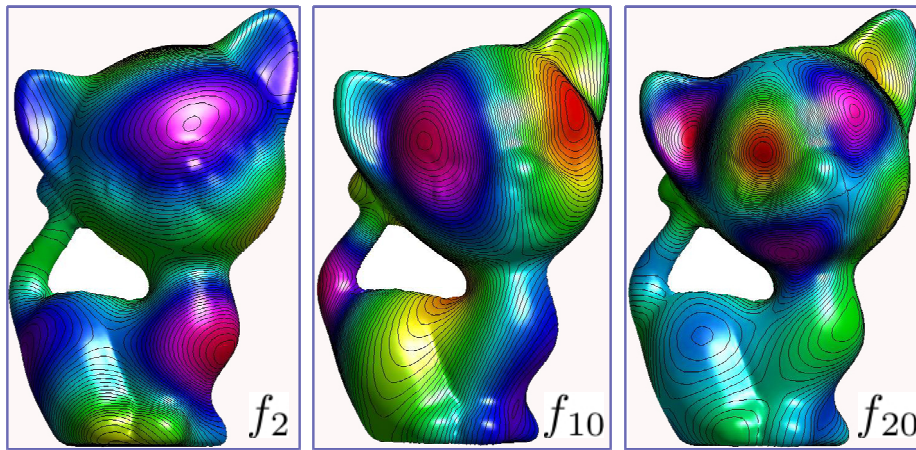
$$L\mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i B\mathbf{x}_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$0 = \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_i : \mathcal{M} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \mathbf{p}_k &\mapsto \mathbf{x}_i^{(k)} \end{aligned}$$



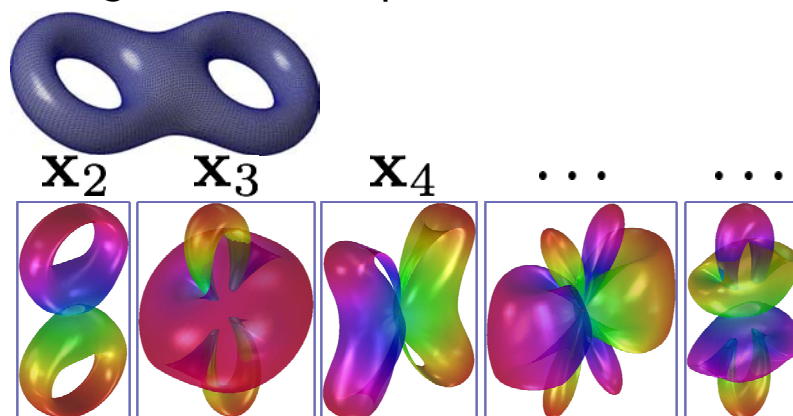
Laplacian spectrum



Higher eigenvalue \rightarrow higher complexity in term of level-sets & critical points

Laplacian spectrum

– Analogies with the spherical harmonics.



$$\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle_{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})} = \delta_{ij} \quad \mathbf{f} = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle_{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})} \mathbf{x}_i$$

Laplacian spectrum

- The spectrum defines a set of functions, which are
 - “intrinsically” defined by the input shape;
 - smooth functions in terms of level-sets and critical points;
 - provide a basis of the feature space.

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Laplacian spectrum

- The spectrum defines a set of functions, which are
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 - smooth functions in terms of level-sets and critical points;
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- No control over the
 - function support;
 - alignment of the function with shape features;
 - computation of the whole spectrum;
 - eigenfunctions' switch.

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Harmonic functions [DBG*06]

Smooth functions with a (generally) low number of critical points are achieved by solving the Laplace equation with Dirichlet boundary conditions.

$$\begin{cases} \Delta f = 0 \\ f(\mathbf{p}_i) = \alpha_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \end{cases}$$

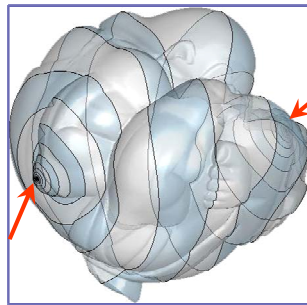
Laplace equation
Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\mathcal{I} \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$$

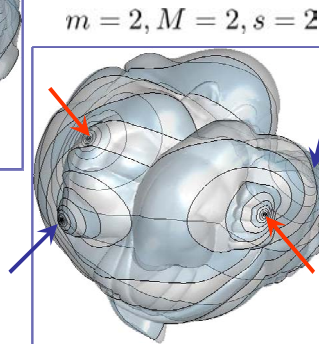
Harmonic functions

$$s = m + M + 2(g - 1)$$

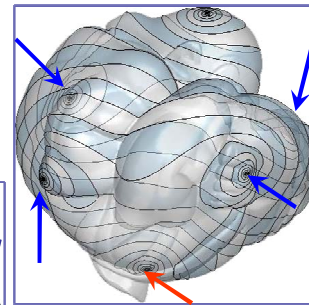
Dirichlet conditions



$m = 1, M = 1, s = 0$



$m = 2, M = 2, s = 2$

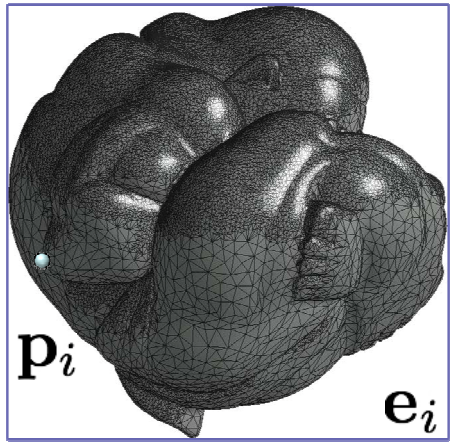


$m = 3, M = 3, s = 4$

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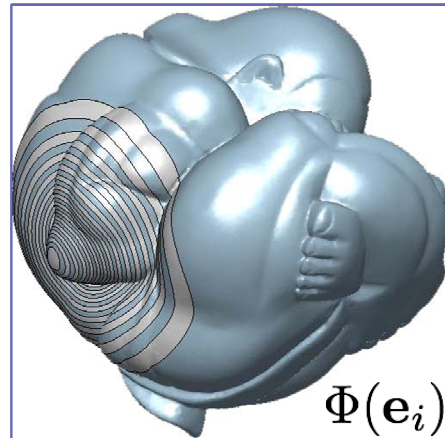
Smoothing & Geometry-aware functions



$$e_i : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

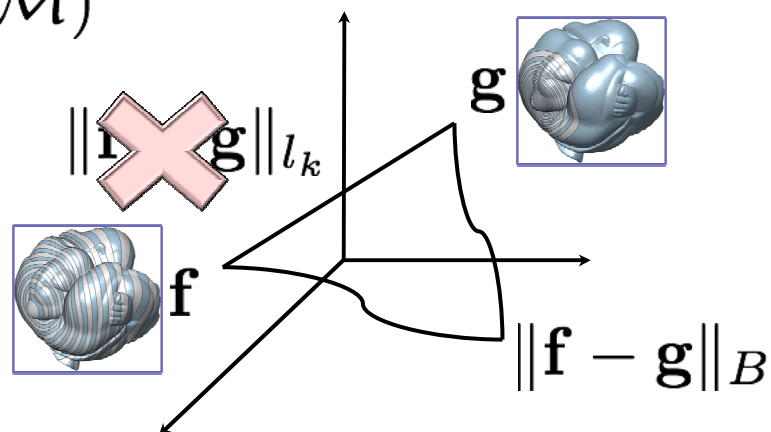
$$e_i(\mathbf{p}_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\Phi : \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})$$



Metrics in the feature space

$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})$



B pos. definite

$$\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle_B := \mathbf{f}^T B \mathbf{g}$$

Tikhonov regularization

Compromise between approximation accuracy and smoothness

$f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})$ Input (noisy) map
(e.g., $f = e_i$)

$$\mathcal{F}(\tilde{\mathbf{f}}) := \epsilon \|\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{f}\|_B^2 + \|L\tilde{\mathbf{f}}\|_2^2$$

Approximation accuracy is measured with respect to the norm induced by a positive definite matrix B (e.g., $B=I$ or linear FEM mass matrix)

Smoothness is controlled by the Laplacian matrix M

Tikhonov regularization

– Minimize the **quadratic functional**

$$\mathcal{F}(\tilde{\mathbf{f}}) := \epsilon \|\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{f}\|_B^2 + \|L\tilde{\mathbf{f}}\|_2^2$$

– equivalent to compute the solution of the **normal equation**

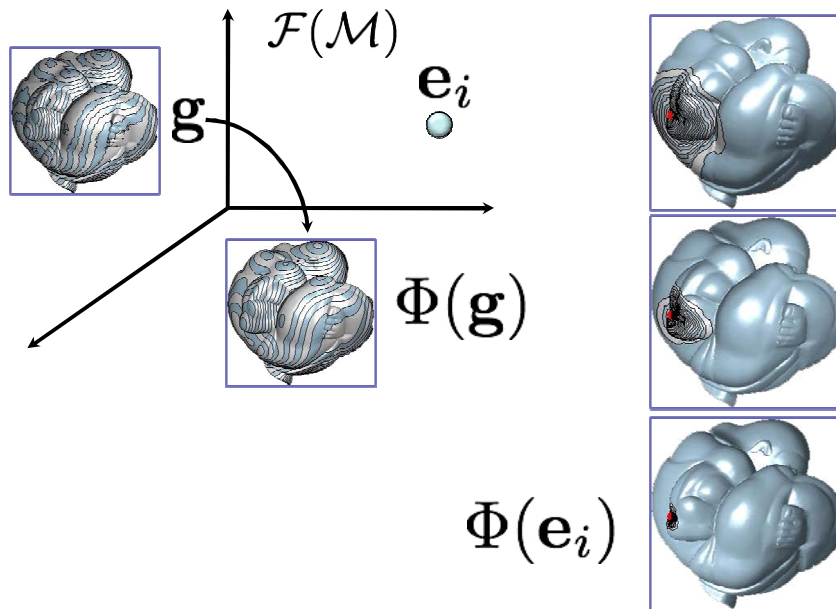
$$(L^T L + \epsilon B)\tilde{\mathbf{f}} = \epsilon B\mathbf{f}.$$

– The **coefficient matrix** is

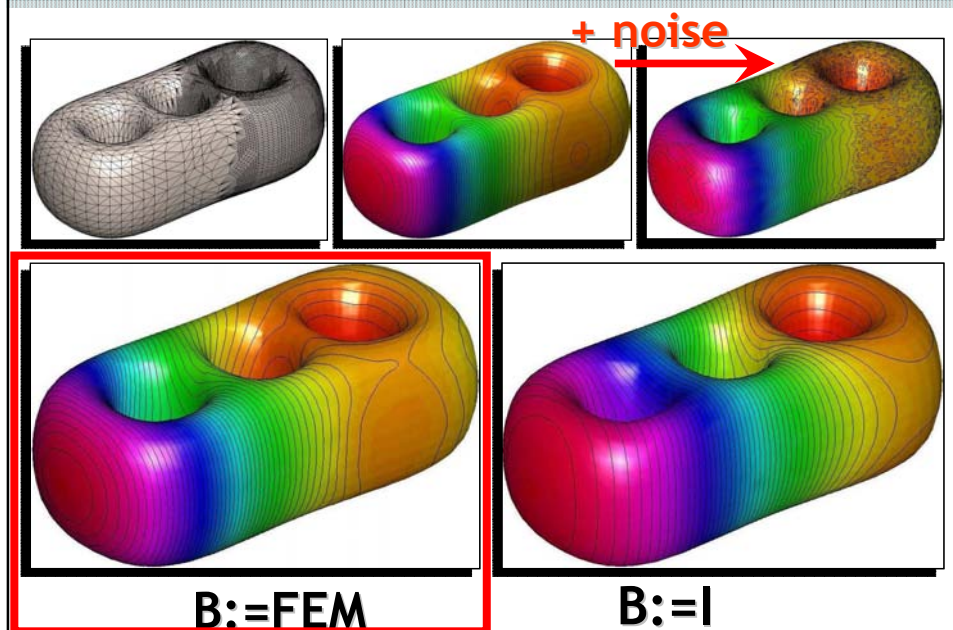
- symmetric;
- positive definite;
- sparse (as sum of two sparse matrices).

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Smoothing & Geometry-aware functions



Robustness w.r.t. sampling

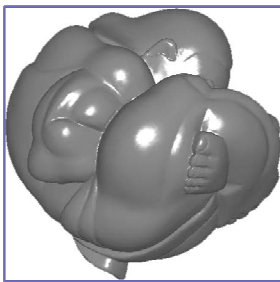


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Heat kernel

\mathcal{N} manifold



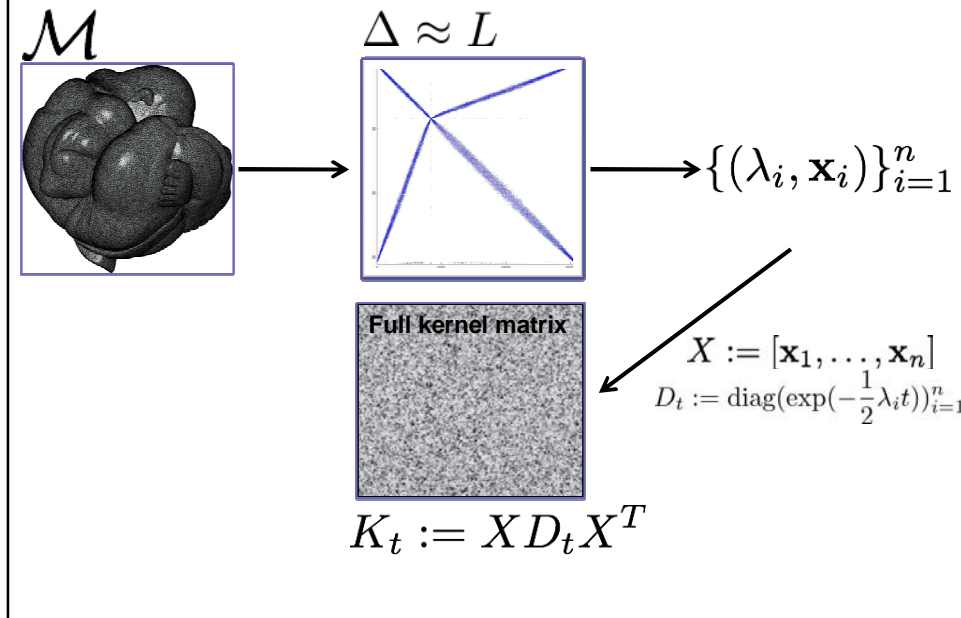
$$H : \mathcal{N} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t H(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta H(\mathbf{x}, t), \\ H(\mathbf{x}, 0) = h(\mathbf{x}), \end{cases}$$

$\{(\lambda_i, \phi_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ Eigensystem of Δ

$$H(\mathbf{x}, t) = k_t(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) \star h \quad k_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \lambda_i t) \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \phi_i(\mathbf{y})$$

Discrete heat kernel: $B := I$



wFEM discrete heat kernel

- Use the linear FEM discretization of the Laplace-Beltrami operator (Galerkin formulation).

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t F(\mathbf{p}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{L} F(\mathbf{p}, t), & \mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{M}, \\ F(\mathbf{p}_i, 0) = f(\mathbf{p}_i), & i = 1, \dots, n, \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{L} := B^{-1} L \quad (L \mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i B \mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$F(\cdot, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \lambda_i t\right) \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle_B \mathbf{x}_i$$

wFEM heat kernel

$$K_t = X D_t X^T B$$

- is not symmetric but **self-adjoint** with respect to the norm induced by B; i.e.,

$$\langle \mathbf{f}, K_t \mathbf{g} \rangle_B = \langle K_t \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle_B$$

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- more robust w.r.t. irregular sampling densities;

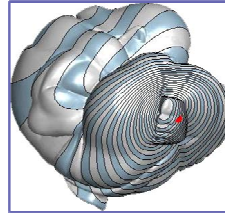
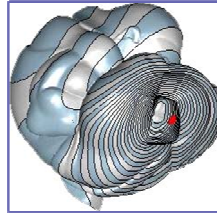
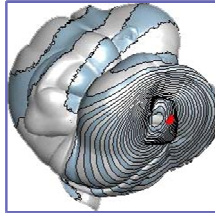
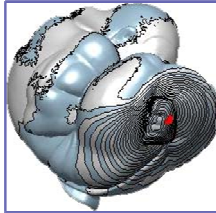
wFEM heat kernel: robustness

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$t := 0.2$

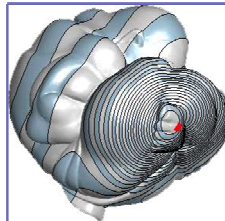
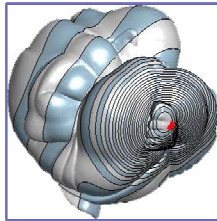
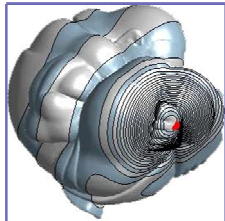
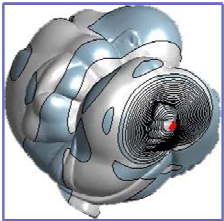
$t := 0.3$

$t := 0.4$



e_i

$B := I$



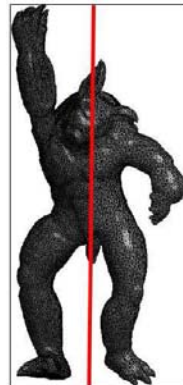
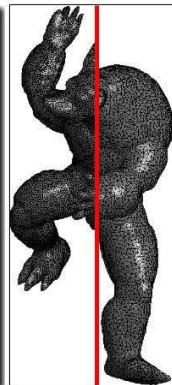
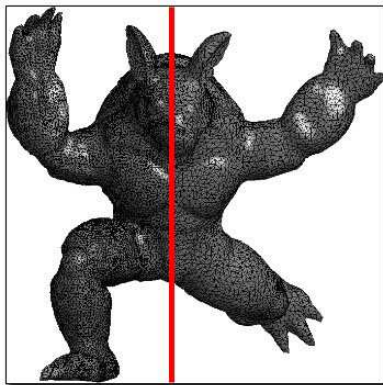
$B := \text{FEM}$



wFEM heat kernel

$$K_t = X D_t X^T B$$

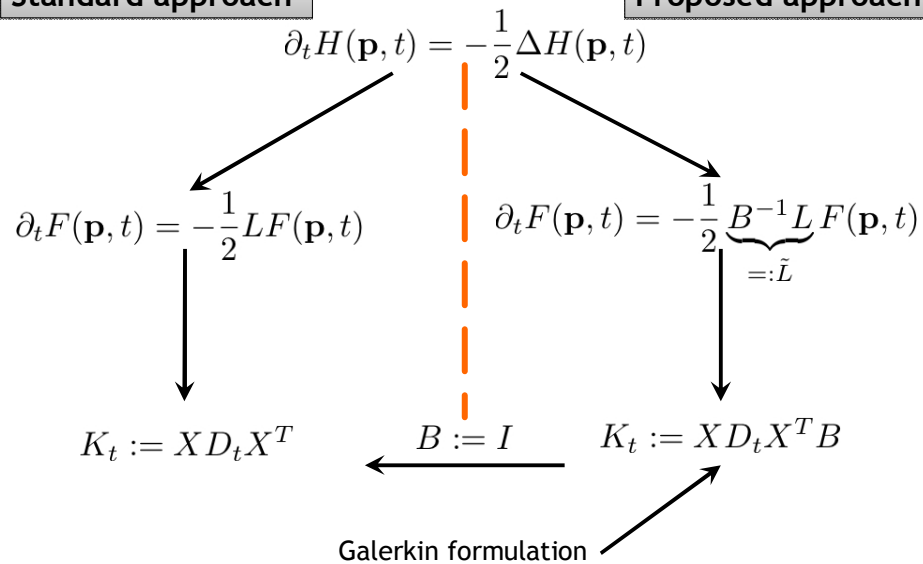
– invariant w.r.t. isometric transformations;



wFEM heat kernel

Standard approach

Proposed approach

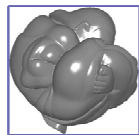


wFEM heat kernel

$$K_t = X D_t X^T B$$

– is **scale-covariant** and outperforms previous work on heat kernel shape signatures.

$$K_t(\mathcal{M})$$



\mathcal{M}

Global/local shape rescaling

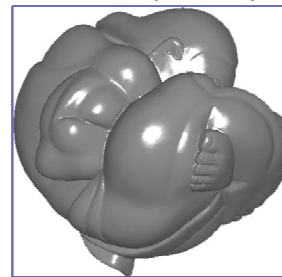
$$K_t(\alpha \mathcal{M}) = \alpha^2 K_{\alpha^2 t}(\mathcal{M})$$

$$B := I$$

$$K_t(\alpha \mathcal{M}) = K_{t/\alpha^2}(\mathcal{M})$$

$$B \neq I$$

$$K_t(\alpha \mathcal{M})$$



$\alpha \mathcal{M}$

wFEM heat kernel

- How to guarantee that

$$K_t(\alpha\mathcal{M}) = K_t(\mathcal{M})$$

(i.e., **local&global scale invariance**).

$$K_t = X D_t X^T B$$

$$D_t \leftarrow \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\lambda_i t\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_2} t\right)$$

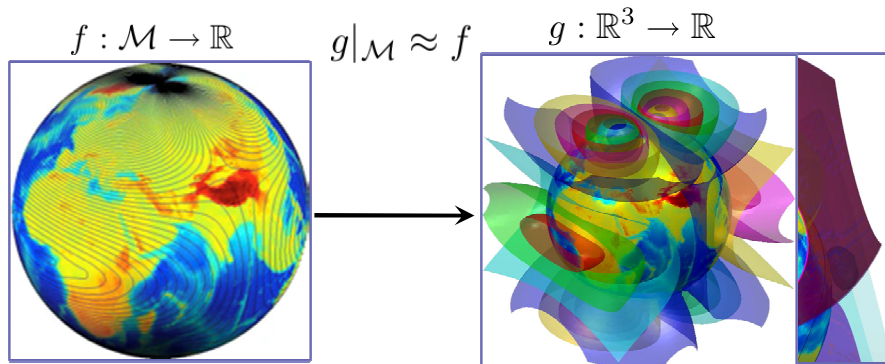
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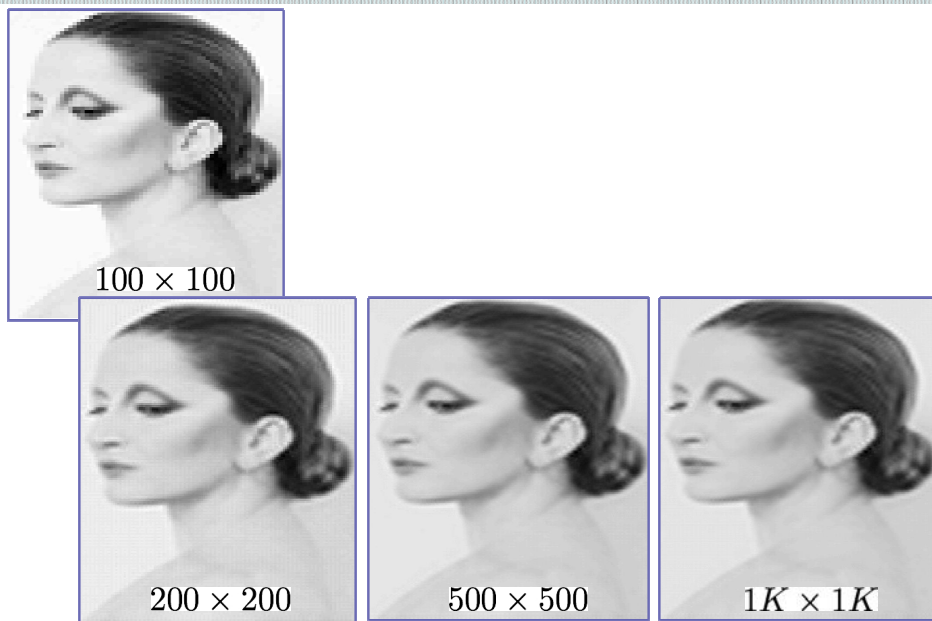
Generalizations

- From surfaces to volumes through topology-driven approximation of scalar functions with RBF functions.



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