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# **Topological exploratory data analysis: nerves, Mappers and robust inference**

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> visualize topology on the data directly

Two types of applications:

- clustering
- feature selection

principle: identify statistically relevant subpopulations through patterns (flares, loops)





3d shapes classification



breast cancer subtype identification











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**The Nerve Theorem:** Let  $\mathcal{U} = (U_i)_{i \in I}$  be a finite open cover of a subset X of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  such that any intersection of the  $U_i$ 's is either empty or contractible. Then X and  $C(\mathcal{U})$  are homotopy equivalent. In particular, their homology groups are isomorphic.

For non-experts, you can replace:

- 'contractible' by 'convex',
- 'are homotopy equivalent' by 'same topological invariants'.

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Input:

- topological space  $\boldsymbol{X}$
- continuous function  $f: X \to Y$   $(Y = \mathbb{R} \text{ in this talk})$
- cover  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\operatorname{im}(f)$  by open intervals:  $\operatorname{im}(f) \subseteq \bigcup_{I \in \mathcal{I}} I$

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- density estimates
- centrality  $f(x) = \sum_{y \in X} d(x, y)$
- eccentricity  $f(x) = \max_{y \in X} d(x, y)$
- PCA coordinates

- Eigenfunctions of graph laplacians.
- Functions detecting outliers.
- Distance to a root point.
- Prior knowledge



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#### Intuition:

- small  $r \rightarrow$  finer resolution, more nodes.
- large  $r \rightarrow$  rougher resolution, less nodes.
- small  $g \rightarrow$  less connectivity, nerve dimension small.
- large  $g \rightarrow$  more connectivity, nerve dimension large.

 $\mathcal{I}$ q = 30%

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#### **Classical choices:**

- any clustering algorithm works
- different clustering algorithms/parameters for each preimage
- for theoretical reasons, we prefer to work with

hierarchical clustering with (predefined) neighborhood size  $\delta$ 

#### geometric scale

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Build a neighboring graph (kNN,...)



Take the connected components of the subgraph spanned by the vertices in the preimage  $f^{-1}(U)$ .



#### Choice of parameters

 $\rightarrow$  in practice: trial-and-error

high-dimensional data sets<sup>40,48</sup>. This is performed automatically within the software, by deploying an ensemble machine learning algorithm that iterates through overlapping subject bins of different sizes that resample the metric space (with replacement), thereby using a combination of the metric location and similarity of subjects in the network topology. After performing millions of iterations, the algorithm returns the most stable, consensus vote for the resulting 'golden network' (Reeb graph), representing the multidimensional data shape<sup>12,40</sup>.

[Topological Data Analysis for Discovery in Preclinical Spinal Cord Injury and Traumatic Brain Injury, Nielson et al., Nature, 2015]

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Reeb graph  $\sim$  Mapper with extremely small resolution



#### Mapper $\sim$ *pixelized* Reeb graph







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horizontal homology  $\sim$  'those homology classes that are included in a finite union of levelsets of f '

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**Q:** What is the Reeb graph of the height function on the trefoil knot?







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# Graph Stratification

Reeb graph is a *telescope* (stratified space)

 $Y_0 \times [a_{-1}, a_0] \cup_{\psi_{-1}} X_0 \times \{a_0\} \cup_{\phi_0} Y_1 \times [a_0, a_1] \cup_{\psi_0} X_1 \times \{a_1\} \cup_{\phi_1} \dots$ 



**Idea:** deform the Reeb graph so that it becomes the Mapper and track the changes in the persistence diagram

# Operation 1: Merge $M_{a,b}$

 $(Y_{i-1} \times [a_{i-1}, a_i]) \cup_{\psi_{i-1}} (X_i \times \{a_i\}) \cup_{\phi_i} \dots \cup_{\psi_{j-1}} (X_j \times \{a_j\}) \cup_{\phi_j} (Y_j \times [a_j, a_{j+1}])$ 

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#### Operation 2: Split $Sp_{a_i,\epsilon}$

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Let  $\mathcal{I}$  minimal cover of  $\operatorname{Im} f \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . For  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , let  $I = I^- \sqcup \tilde{I} \sqcup I^+$ 









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... and distance to staircase boundary measures (in-)stability of each feature w.r.t. perturbations of  $(X, f, \mathcal{I})$ 







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Extensions to:

- perturbations of X
- perturbations of  ${\mathcal I}$



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#### **Questions:**

- Statistical properties of the estimator  $M_{f,\delta}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$  ?
- Convergence to the ground truth  $R_f(X)$  in  $d_b$ ? Deviation bounds?



Let  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$  denote  $M_f(G_{\delta}, \mathcal{I})$ 

- 1. Link between  $R_f(X)$  and  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{V})$ ?
- a. support  $\rightarrow \delta$ -neighborhood graph b. Reeb graph  $\rightarrow$  Mapper  $X \rightarrow G_{\delta}(\hat{X}_n)$
- 2. Link between  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$  and  $M_{f,\delta}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$ ?

intersections given by metric graph  $\rightarrow$  intersections given by points



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Reeb graph  $\rightarrow$  Mapper

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1. Link between  $R_f(X)$  and  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$ ?

 $\omega :$  modulus of continuity of f

$$\omega: \delta \mapsto \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| : d(x, y) \le \delta\}$$

rch: reach of X.

 $\rho$ : radius of convexity of X: largest r s.t. geodesic balls of radius r are convex.

 $d_H$ : Hausdorff distance.

# Statistics for Mapper



**Def:** The distance function to a compact  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d_M : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}_+$  is:

$$d_M(x) = \inf_{p \in M} \|x - p\|$$

**Def:** The Hausdorff distance between two compact sets  $M, M' \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is:

$$d_H(M, M') = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |d_M(x) - d_{M'}(x)|$$

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$$\Gamma_M(x) = \{ y \in M : d_M(x) = ||x - y|| \}$$

**Def:** The medial axis of M:

 $\mathcal{M}(M) = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |\Gamma_M(x)| \ge 2 \}$ 



### Statistics for Mapper



**Def:** The reach of M, rch(M) is the smallest distance from  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  to M:

$$\operatorname{rch}(M) = \inf_{y \in \mathcal{M}(M)} d_M(y)$$



2. Link between  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$  and  $M_{f,\delta}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$ ?

intersections given by metric graph  $\rightarrow$  intersections given by points

Thm: If there are no intersection-crossing edges, then  $M_{f,\delta}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I}) = M_{f,\delta}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I})$
# Statistics for Mapper







$$\hat{X}_n$$
 is random  $\Rightarrow d_H(X, \hat{X}_n)$  is random  
**Hyp:**  $\mu$  is  $(a, b)$ -standard  
 $\mu(B(x, r)) \ge \min\{1, ar^b\}$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $r > 0$ 

Then it is known that, for n sufficiently large, one has with high probability:

$$d_H(X, \hat{X}_n) \le \left(\frac{2\log n}{an}\right)^{1/b}$$



**Thm:** If  $\mu$  is (a, b)-standard and f is c-Lipschitz then for:

$$\delta_n = 4\left(\frac{2\log n}{an}\right)^{1/b}, \ g_n \in \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right), \ r_n = \frac{c\delta_n}{g_n}, \qquad \text{one has } \forall \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E} \left[ d_b \left( \operatorname{Dg} \operatorname{M}_{f,\delta_n}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I}(g_n, r_n)), \operatorname{Dg} \operatorname{R}_f(X) \right) \right] \leq C \left( \frac{\log n}{n} \right)^{1/\delta},$$

where C depends only on a, b, c.

More generally:  $r_n = \omega(\delta_n)/g_n$ 



Moreover, the estimator  $Dg \mathcal{F}(\widehat{X}_n)$  is **minimax optimal** (up to a  $\log n$  factor) on the space  $\mathcal{P}$  of (a, b)-standard probability measures on X.

**Thm:** For any estimator  $\widehat{\mathbf{R}}$ , one has:  $\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E} \left[ d_b \left( \operatorname{Dg} \widehat{\mathbf{R}}, \ \operatorname{Dg} \mathbf{R}_f(X) \right) \right] \ge C \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)^{1/b},$ where C depends only on a, b.

Consequence of Le Cam's lemma



**Thm:** If  $\mu$  is (a, b)-standard and f is c-Lipschitz then for:

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$$\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}\left[d_b\left(\operatorname{Dg} \mathcal{M}_{f,\delta_n}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I}(g_n, r_n)), \operatorname{Dg} \mathcal{R}_f(X)\right)\right] \leq C\left(\frac{\log n}{n}\right)^{1/\delta},$$

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where C depends only on a, b, c.



#### **Ex : PCA filter**

 $\Pi_1$  : orthonormal projection onto first principal direction of covariance operator

 $\widehat{\Pi}_1$ : orthonormal projection onto first principal direction of empirical covariance operator

$$\mathbb{E}\left[d_b\left(\mathrm{R}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{X}), \mathrm{M}^{\bullet}_{\widehat{\Pi}_1(\widehat{X}_n), \delta_n}(\widehat{X}_n, \mathcal{I}(g_n, r_n))\right)\right] \lesssim \left(\frac{(\log(n))^{2+\beta}}{n}\right)^{1/b} \vee \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

[PCA-Kernel Estimation, Biau, Mas, Statistics & Risk Modeling with Applications in Finance and Insurance, 2012]



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Get confidence region with  $\mathbb{E}\left[d(\cdot,\cdot)\right]=\int_{\alpha}\mathbb{P}(d(\cdot,\cdot)\geq\alpha)\mathrm{d}\alpha$ 

#### Multivariate case: filter-based pseudometric

[*Topological Analysis of Nerves, Reeb Spaces, Mappers, and Multiscale Mappers, Dey, Mémoli, Wang, SoCG, 2017*]

**Def**: The *filter-based pseudometric*  $d_f : M \times M \to \mathbb{R}$  is defined as

$$d_f(x, x') = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(x, x')} \operatorname{diam}_Y(f \circ \gamma),$$

where  $\Gamma(x, x')$  denotes the set of all continuous paths  $\gamma : [0, 1] \to M$  such that  $\gamma(0) = x$  and  $\gamma(1) = x'$ , and  $\operatorname{diam}_Y$  denotes the *diameter* of a subset of Y.

**Def**: The *Gromov-Hausdorff* metric  $d_{\text{GH}}$  between  $(M, d_f), (M', d_{f'})$  is defined as

$$d_{\rm GH}(M,M') = \frac{1}{2} \inf_C \, \sup_{(x,x'),(y,y')\in C} |d_f(x,y) - d_{f'}(x',y')|,$$

where C denotes the set of all correspondences between M and M' (subsets of  $M \times M'$  s.t. projections onto M and M' are surjective).



#### **Question:**

How to assess distance confidence?



**Thm**: If  $\mu$  and  $f \# \mu$  are (a, b)-standard, then for  $\delta_n$  as before, one has:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[d_{\mathrm{GH}}(\mathrm{M}_{f,\delta_{n}}^{\bullet}(\hat{X}_{n},\mathcal{I}),\mathrm{R}_{f}(X))\right] \leq 5 \cdot \mathbb{E}\left[\mathrm{res}(\mathcal{I})\right] + C\omega\left(\frac{\log(n)^{2+\beta}}{n}\right)^{1/b}$$

where C depends only on a,b, and res denotes the resolution of the cover  $\mathcal{I},$  i.e., the diameter of its elements

Moreover, using covers with hypercubes or K-means, or quantized Distanceto-Measure allows to bound  $\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{res}(\mathcal{I})\right]$ . [A k-points-based distance for robust geometric inference, Brecheteau, Levrard, Bernouilli, 2020]



**Thm**: If  $w(u) \leq cu^{\gamma}$  for some  $c > 0, \gamma \in (0, 1)$ , and for a cover  $\mathcal{I}$  given by thickening a *K*-means partition in  $\mathbb{R}^{D}$ :

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{res}(\mathcal{I})\right] \le K^{-(2\gamma^2)/(2\gamma b + b^2)} + \left(\frac{KD}{n}\right)^{\gamma/(2b + 4\gamma)}$$

#### Other works

Another line of work is about the *interleaving distance* between Mappers and Reeb spaces seen as cosheaves  $Open(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow Set$ .

**Prop:** For 
$$f: X \to \mathbb{R}^d$$
,  $d_I(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}_f(X)), \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{M}_f(X, \mathcal{I}))) \le \operatorname{res}(\mathcal{I})$ 

**Prop:** For 
$$f: X \to \mathbb{R}$$
,  
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(d_I(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{R}_f(X)), \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{M}_f(\hat{X}_n, \mathcal{I}))) \le \operatorname{res}(\mathcal{I})\right) = 1$$

[Convergence between categorical representations of Reeb space and Mapper, Munch, Wang, SoCG, 2016]

[*Probabilistic convergence and stability of random Mapper graphs*, Brown et al., JACT, 2020]

# Experiments 85% confidence intervals



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#### Experiments Chromosome conformation capture



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#### Formal identification of cell cycle with 95% confidence







Gene expression (SPLiTseq) and gene accessibility (ATACseq) of single cells of one healthy individual for 3 sections of spinal cord





#### Experiments Machine learning classifier

Filter = confidence of Random Forest classifier (in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )





#### Experiments Machine learning classifier

Filter = confidence of Random Forest classifier (in  $\mathbb{R}^6$ )



# Thanks!!