

Bayesian ambient space inference for object data

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A New Era

“What steam was to the 18th century, electricity to the 19th, and hydrocarbons to the 20th, data will be to the 21st century. That’s why I call data a new natural resource.”



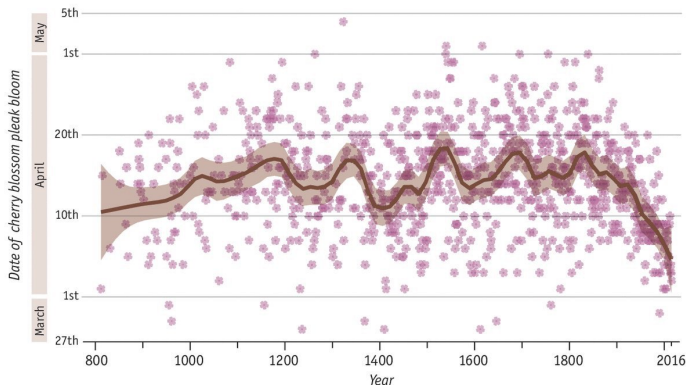
Ginni Rometty, Chairman, President and CEO of IBM

New?

Me: "What's new about data?"

Cherry bomb

Date of cherry blossom peak bloom in Kyoto, Japan, 800 AD - 2016



Source: Yasuyuki Aono, Osaka Prefecture University

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Traditional types of data

What types of data are there?

- Counts, e.g. $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$



- Measurements, e.g. 27.52

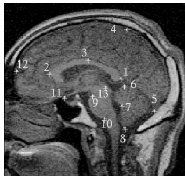
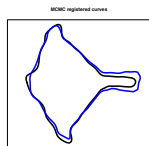
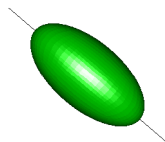
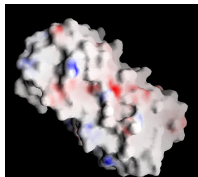
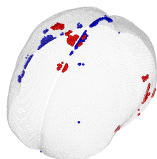
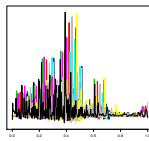
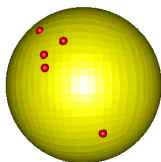


- Many measurements (Vectors), e.g. (3.2, 1.2, 54.3, 2.1)



Object Data

- Circular and spherical data
- Functions
- Dynamical systems
- Shapes and manifold data
- Images
- Trees



Left: FLAT manifold Right NON-FLAT manifold

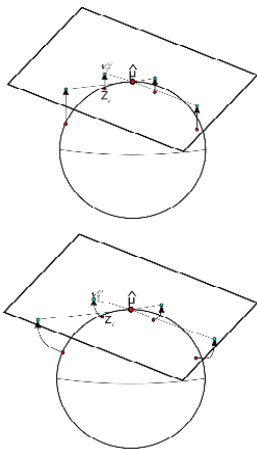


- Shortest distance between two points may not be a straight line.
- Need to adapt conventional FLAT space data analysis for analysis on manifolds

Shape analysis

KEY ASPECTS:

- SHAPE: remove REGISTRATION information (e.g. Rotation, Translation, Scale - D.G. Kendall)
- Shape data usually lie on a non-flat manifold
- Approximation using a flat tangent space
- Carry out PCA and further statistical inference

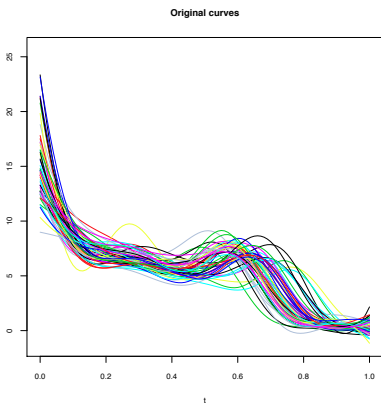


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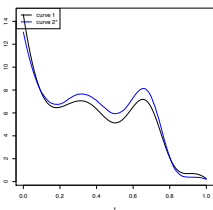
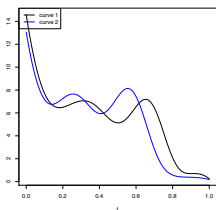
Functional Data Analysis

Example 1: Berkeley Girls growth-rate data (54 curves - age 1-18)



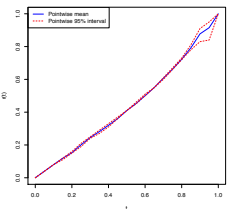
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Two curves (before and after registration)



Warp

Time-warp (in $\text{Diff}[0, 1]$) - posterior mean and 95% credibility interval



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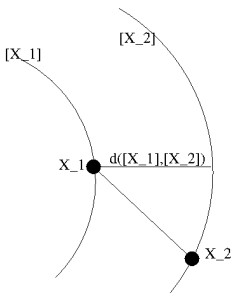
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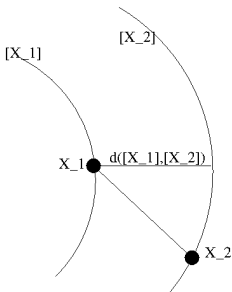
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- Geometry/models are usually simpler in the ambient space



Square Root Velocity Function (SRVF)

- Let f be a real valued differentiable curve function
 $f(t) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.
- The SRVF is defined as $q : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, where

$$q(t) = \frac{\dot{f}(t)}{\sqrt{\|\dot{f}(t)\|}}$$

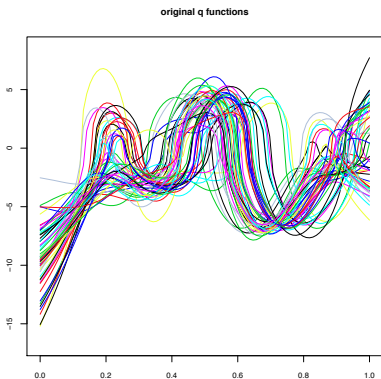
and $\|f\|$ denotes the standard \mathbb{L}^2 -norm (Srivastava et al., 2011; cf. Younes, 1998).

- Why use the SRVF? The Fisher-Rao (Elastic) metric is reduced to a standard \mathbb{L}^2 metric under SRVF representation.

$$d_{FR}(f_1, f_2) = \|q_1 - q_2\|.$$

Ambient space curves

Berkeley Girls q-functions of growth-rates - need to align them using a time warps



Likelihood Model for q function

- A **Gaussian process** for $q_1(t) - q_2^*(t)$, where

$$q_2^*(t) = \sqrt{\dot{\gamma}(t)} q_2(\gamma(t)), \text{ given a fixed } \gamma(t).$$

- Let $q_1([t])$ and $q_2^*([t])$ denote the finite M points of $q_1(t)$ and $q_2^*(t)$
- The joint distribution is **multivariate normal**,

$$q_1([t]) - q_2^*([t]) \sim N(0_M, \Sigma_{M \times M})$$

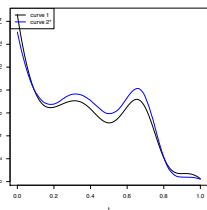
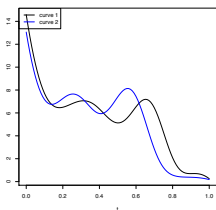
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Prior Model for the Warp

- Discretize the time warp
- Let $\gamma([t])$ denote $\{\gamma([t_i]), i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M\}$, the collection of discretized points on the warping function.
- Define $p_i = \gamma([t_i]) - \gamma([t_{i-1}])$.
- Note $\sum_{i=1}^M p_i = 1$ and $0 < p_i < 1$.
- Denote $P_M = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_M)$ and treat P_M as a **random vector**, a **Dirichlet prior** is assigned to $\{P_M | \gamma([t])\}$, i.e. $\pi(P_M) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(a)$.
- Large a encourages unit slope $\dot{\gamma}(t) = 1$.

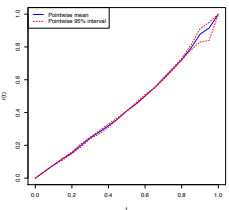
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Multiple curves

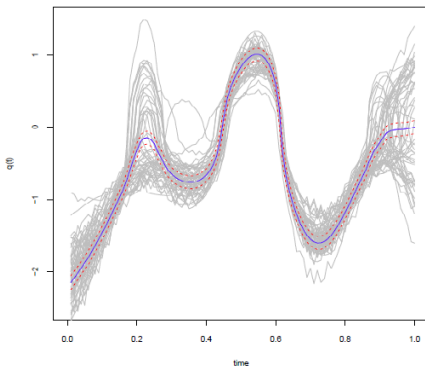
- q-functions: $q_i \sim N(\mu, \kappa^{-1} I), i = 1, \dots, n$.
- Ambient space mean $\mu = E[X]$ (Gaussian prior).
- warps $\gamma_i(t), i = 1, \dots, n$ independent Dirichlet prior
- $\kappa \sim \Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ independent prior
- Simulate from the posterior distribution

$$(\mu, \kappa, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n) | q_1, \dots, q_n.$$

using Markov chain Monte Carlo simulation.

Bayesian analysis - posterior mean

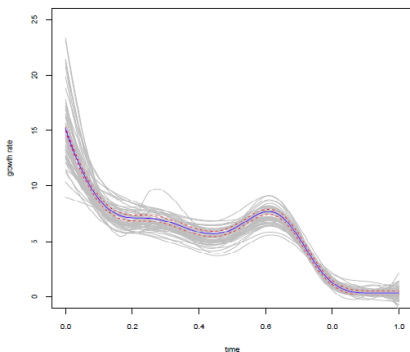
Berkeley Girls growth-rates - q-functions ($a = 50$)



Bayesian analysis

Berkeley Girls growth-rates - icons ($a = 50$)

$$f(t) = \int_0^t q(s) |q(s)| ds$$



Ambient space asymptotic normality and consistency

Subject to the conditions of the Bernstein-von Mises theorem (van der Vaart (1998, p141), we have

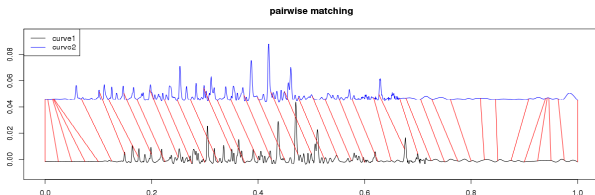
$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mu}([t]) - \mu([t])) \rightarrow N\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\mu}^{-1} \dot{\ell}_{\mu}([t])(X_i), I_{\mu}^{-1}([t])\right)$$

in total variation norm as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $\dot{\ell}_{\mu}([t])(X_i)$ is the derivative of the log-likelihood corresponding to observation i . We can state that $\hat{\mu} \rightarrow \mu$ in probability as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and hence the ambient space mean is consistent. (cf. Allasonnière et al., 2007, 2010)

Quotient space registration

- Let f_1, f_2 be two functions with SRVFs q_1, q_2 .
- Warp f_2 to f_1 to minimize the Fisher-Rao distance using the optimal warp

$$\hat{\gamma} = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \|q_1 - \sqrt{\dot{\gamma}}(q_2 \circ \gamma)\|^2.$$



- The solution can be obtained by Dynamic Programming (Srivastava et al., 2011).

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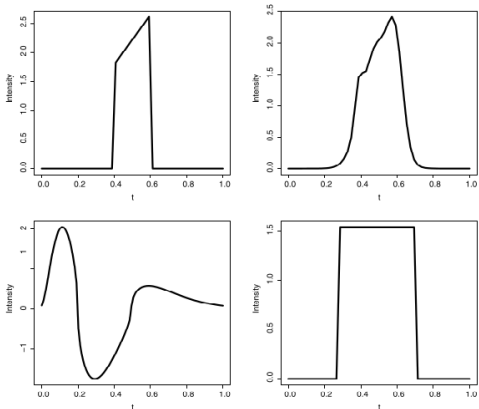
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- Quotient space inference - faster (dynamic programming for warping) and relatively easy (+).

Simulation study - sample size n , noise σ



Add iid $N(0, \sigma^2)$ noise and apply a Dirichlet(1) warp to each individual in the sample of size n .

Results - log mean square FR distance versus $\log n$

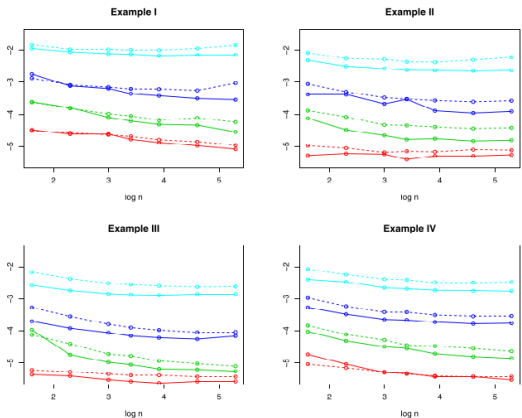
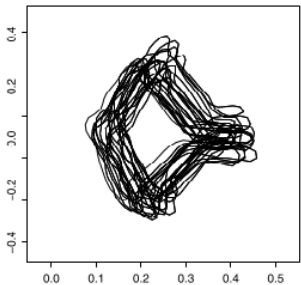


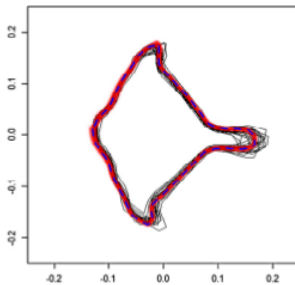
Figure 3: The logarithm of the mean square Fisher-Rao distance to the true mean μ_A versus logarithm of sample size n . The full line is the ambient space estimator and the dotted line is the quotient space estimator. The colors are red ($\sigma = 0.1$), green ($\sigma = 0.3$), blue ($\sigma = 0.5$) and cyan ($\sigma = 1$).

Higher dimensions

Original Curves



MCMC Registered Curves

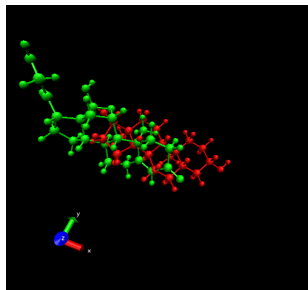


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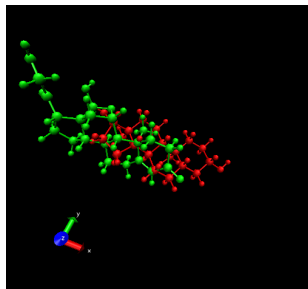
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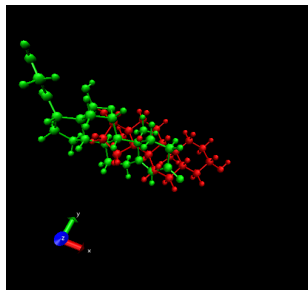
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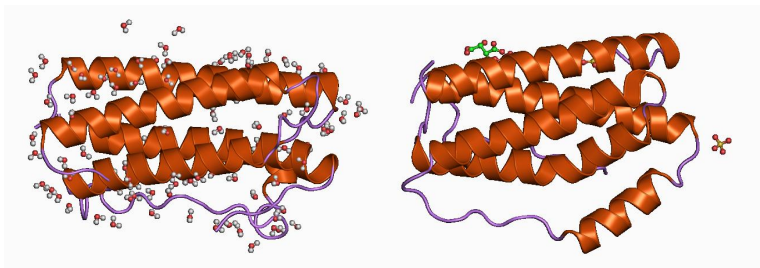
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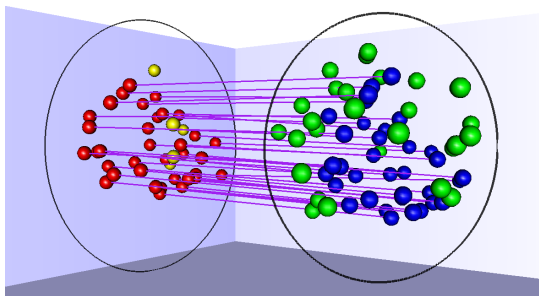
- When comparing molecules we are interested in similar parts of molecules rather than the whole match. Matching is sensitive to a prior parameter governing extent of overlap.



proteins: 1bgc [Granulocyte colony-stimulating factor], 1il6 [Interleukin-6] [wikipedia]

Match matrix and registration

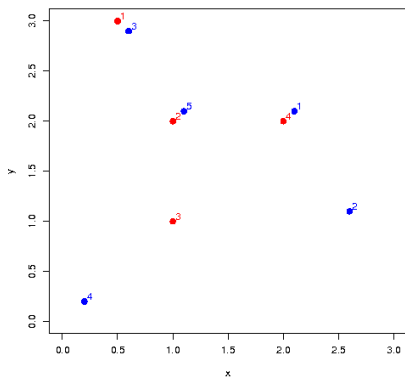
We need to estimate a match matrix M with 1 in position (j, k) if molecule 1 atom j matches to molecule 2 atom k , otherwise zeros; a rotation matrix Γ ; and a translation vector γ .



Model: Given M , molecule 2 is a Gaussian perturbation of the matching atoms in molecule 1, independent with common variance $\sigma^2 = 1/\kappa$.

Example Match Matrix

Molecule 1: $n_1 = 4$ points (red) and Molecule 2: $n_2 = 5$ points (blue).



Matching points:

$1 \rightarrow 3; 2 \rightarrow 5;$

$3 \rightarrow \text{no match}; 4 \rightarrow 1$

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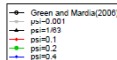
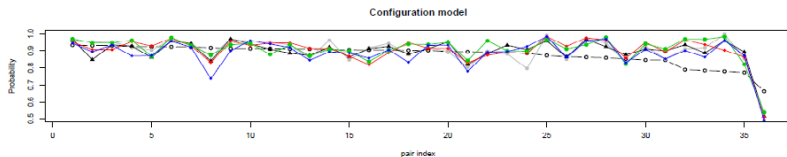
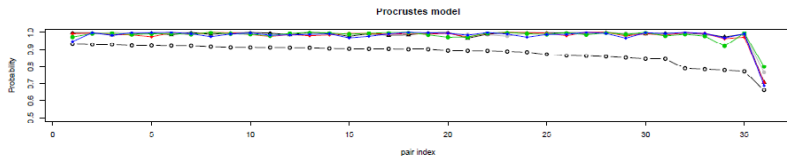
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here $p = 3$ matching points.

Which approach is better - ambient versus quotient?

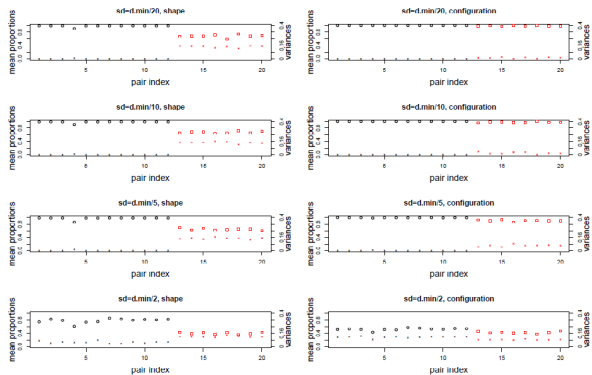
- Bayesian inference using Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) simulation.
- Kenobi and ILD (2012) compare an ambient space model of Green and Mardia (2006) with a quotient space model (ILD et al., 2007; Schmidler, 2007).
- In a range of settings: performance similar but not the same. Investigated protein matching and simulation studies.
- Ambient space MCMC algorithms less ‘sticky’
- Quotient space MCMC algorithms gave higher posterior probabilities of true matches.
- But Ambient space MCMC algorithms gave lower posterior probabilities of false matches.

Quotient above, ambient below



p.reject=0.2

Simulations: quotient left, ambient right



Estimated probability of correct match (black) and unmatched (red). Mean and variance from 100 simulations, of length 100,000 after burn-in.

Reason for general similarity of approaches?

- Marginal posterior density (Ambient Space inference).

$$\pi_A(\Theta|X) = \int_{\gamma} \pi(\Theta, \gamma|X) d\gamma. \quad (1)$$

- Quotient space posterior density

$$\pi_Q(\Theta|X) \propto \sup_{\gamma} \pi(\Theta, \gamma|X). \quad (2)$$

- We can consider (2) to be an approximation to the marginal density (1) where the integral is approximated using Laplace's method.

Laplace's method

- Laplace's method:

$$\int b(t) \exp\{-Mr(t)\} dt \approx b(\hat{t}) \left(\frac{2\pi}{M}\right)^{p/2} |\Sigma_{\hat{t}}|^{1/2} \exp\{-Mr(\hat{t})\}.$$

where the gradient of $r(t)$ is zero at \hat{t} , and $\Sigma_{\hat{t}}$ is the inverse of the Hessian matrix at \hat{t} (positive definite).

- The approximation is exact when $(\gamma|\Theta)$ is multivariate Gaussian.

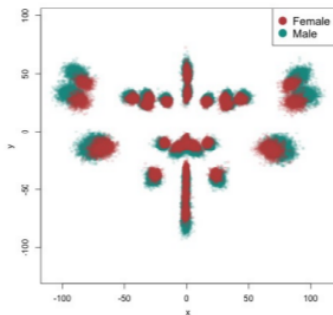
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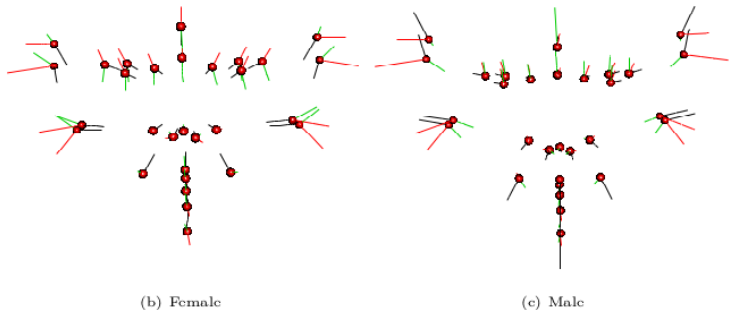
Example 3: 3D face landmarks



Procrustes (least squares) registered data



Principal components analysis



Ambient space regression model

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i &= \mu(x_i)\Gamma_i + \varepsilon_i, \\ &= \left(\beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{ij} \right) \Gamma_i + \varepsilon_i \end{aligned}$$

where β_0 lower triangular (for identifiability) $\Gamma_i \in SO(m)$ (rotations),

$$\text{vec}(\varepsilon_i) \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N_{km}(\text{vec}(\mathbf{0}), \sigma^2 I_m \otimes I_k).$$

Likelihood and prior

$$f(Y_1, \dots, Y_n, | \beta, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{nkm/2} (\sigma^2)^{nkm/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr} \left[(Y_i - X_i \beta \Gamma_i)^\top (Y_i - X_i \beta \Gamma_i) \right] \right).$$

$$\kappa = 1/\sigma^2 \sim \text{Gamma}(a, b) ;$$

$$\Gamma_i \sim \text{matrix Fisher}(F_0), \quad i = 1, \dots, n ;$$

$$p(\beta | \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \kappa) \propto 1,$$

Posterior

The joint posterior for $(\beta, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \kappa)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & p(\beta, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \kappa \mid Y_1, \dots, Y_n) \\ \propto & \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr}(F_0^\top \Gamma_i)\right) \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \sin \theta_{i2}\right] \kappa^{a+nkm/2-1} \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa}{b}\right) \\ & \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr}\left[(Y_i - X_i\beta\Gamma_i)^\top (Y_i - X_i\beta\Gamma_i)\right]\right). \end{aligned}$$

Regression models

$$\text{M1 : } Y_i^H = \{\beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{age}_i\} \Gamma_i + \varepsilon_i,$$

$$\text{M2 : } Y_i^H = \left\{ \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{age}_i + \beta_2 \text{age}_i^2 \right\} \Gamma_i + \varepsilon_i$$

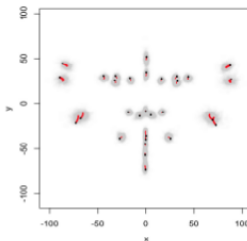
$$\text{M3 : } Y_i^H = \left\{ \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{age}_i + \beta_2 \text{age}_i^3 \right\} \Gamma_i + \varepsilon_i,$$

where $Y_i^H = HY_i$. Then we define the predicted model as pre-multiplying each \hat{Y}_i by C , for example for M1,

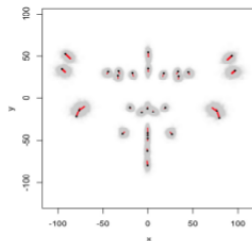
$$C\hat{Y}_i = \left\{ H^\top \hat{\beta}_0 + H^\top \hat{\beta}_1 \text{age}_i \right\} \hat{\Gamma}_i,$$

where $C = I_k - \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{1}_k \mathbf{1}_k^\top$, I_k is the $k \times k$ identity matrix, $\mathbf{1}_k$ is the column vector of k ones, and $\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{1}{N_B} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{B}} \beta_j^{(t)}$ is the arithmetic mean of MCMC sample (100k) for β_j after burn-in (100k).

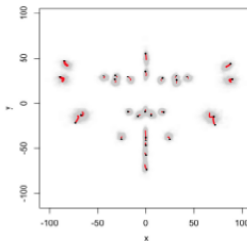
Predicted faces using M1 and M2



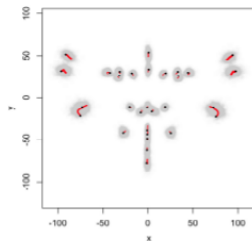
(a) Female M1



(b) Male M1

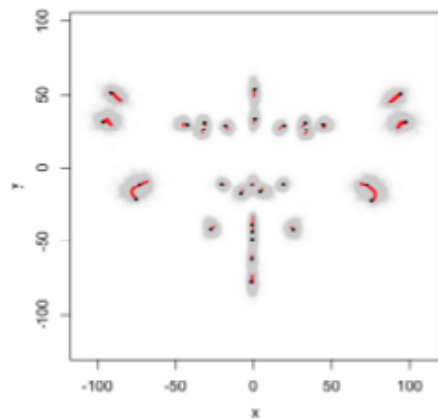
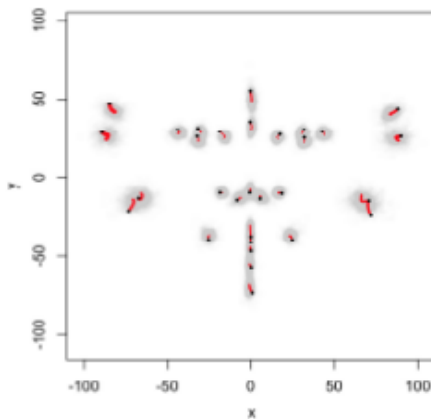


(c) Female M2



(d) Male M2

M2 chosen using AIC





(a) Female: ear, top left.



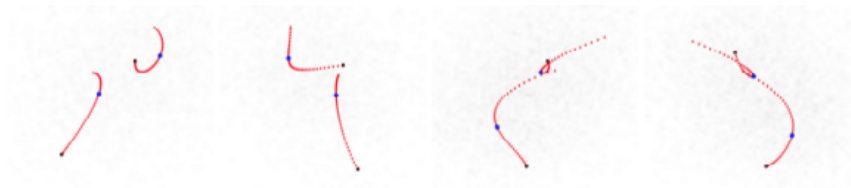
(b) Female: ear, top right.



(c) Male: ear, top left.



(d) Male: ear, top right.



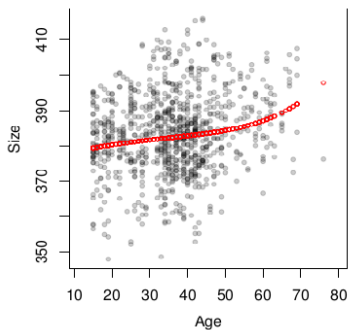
(e) Female: ear, bottom left. (f) Female: ear, bottom right. (g) Male: ear, bottom left. (h) Male: ear, bottom right.



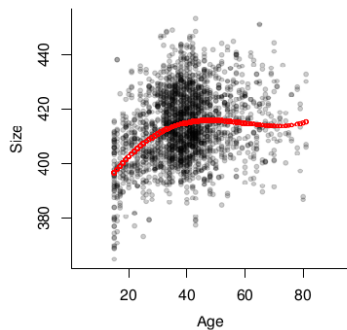
(i) Female: lips.

(j) Male: lips.

Figure 4: Ears and lip (M2).



(a) Female

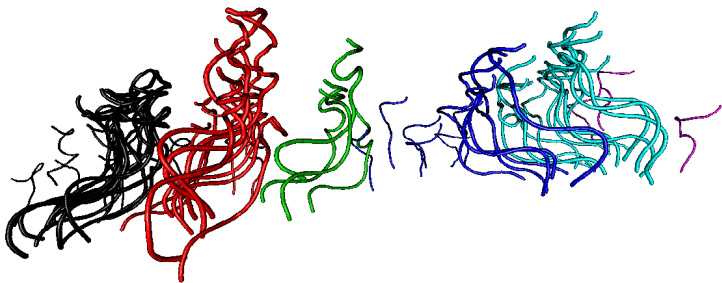


(b) Male.

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Many other applications. Function and Shape: Arteries

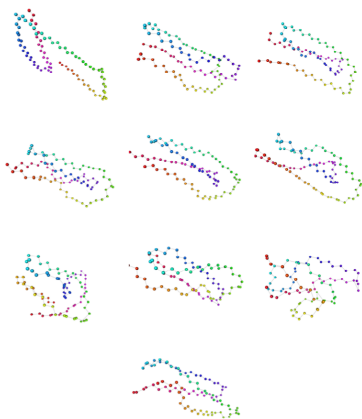


Mean differences



Shape and Time: Enzymes

Enzyme data $k = 88$ landmarks in 3D, time series $n = 4216$.
Some snapshots at 10 equally spaced time points.



Four PNS clusters

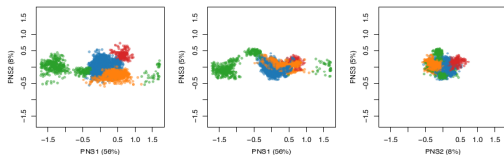


Figure 41: PNS plot with clustering color scheme.

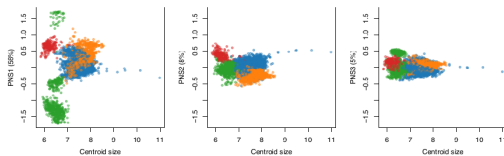
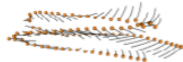


Figure 42: Centroid size vs. PNS plot.

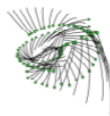
Enzyme clusters



(a) Cluster 1.



(b) Cluster 2.



(c) Cluster 3.

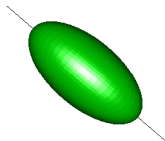
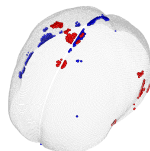
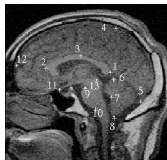
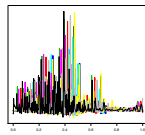
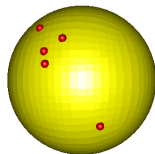


(d) Cluster 4.

Clustering using Princpal Nested Spheres: difficult but useful.

Needed: more on methods, models and uncertainty

- Circular and spherical data
- Functions
- Dynamical systems
- Shapes and manifold data
- Images
- Trees



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