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# Approximation of Manifold-valued Functions Based on Refinements

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The research of manifolds is popular in geometry, physics and many more. It is also becomes popular in many applied math branches, just to name a few: geophysics, medical imaging, image analysis, CAGD, machine learning.

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## Problem formulation

Estimate a mapping on a manifold of the form

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f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathcal{M},
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where  $\mathcal{M}$  is the manifold. This function is a curve on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

2 We are given only a discrete set of samples,  $\{f(t_i)\}_{i\in\mathbb{Z}}$ .

 ${\small \textcircled{0}} {\small One requires a smooth approximant, } {\displaystyle \Gamma \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathcal{M} \text{ where }}$ 

$$\Gamma(t) \approx f(t), \quad t \in \Omega,$$

in the sense of a metric on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

## Examples of curves on manifolds

#### Example (1)

A trajectory on the sphere  $S^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ .



# Examples of curves on manifolds

#### Example (2)

A curve generated by the motion group.



An interpolating curve of samples (the dark teapots)

## Examples of manifold data

#### Example

The analysis of recorded flight data ("black box"). The data consist of pitch/roll/yaw and modelled as SO(3) raw data.



Many other examples of manifold data, e.g,

- Normals (points on the unit sphere)
- Positive definite matrices

## Outline

Linear univariate subdivision schemes.

Intersection of linear schemes to manifold data.

Geodesic averaging.

Geodesic refinements: local and global.



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In binary refinement (each data point is replaced by two new ones) it is convenient to write

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Thus,  $(S(\mathbf{f}))_i = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} a_{i-2j} f_j$  is a weighted average of  $\{f_j \mid a_{i-2j} \neq 0\}$ , possibly with negative weights.

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The curve is defined as

$$\Gamma(t) = \sum_i f(t_i)B(t-i),$$

where *B* is the cubic B-spline with integer knots (B(t) is a cubic) polynomial on each interval (i, i + 1),  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $B(t) \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ .

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- An interpolatory refinement leads to multiresolution analysis via a pyramid transform. Thus, an interpolatory subdivision scheme adapted to a manifold, induces an analysis tool for manifold data.

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The problem - the linear 4-pt scheme fails to stay positive in the above example

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Due to commutativity of multiplication these two solutions are equivalent!

## The commutative diagram



Figure: The log – exp diagram

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#### What is the generalization to manifolds?

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On manifolds we similarly define a weighted average by

$$\arg\min_{p\in\mathcal{M}}\sum_{j=1}^n w_j d^2(p,p_j).$$

This average is also termed **Karcher mean** in case of matrices or **Fréchet mean** in general metric spaces, and can be computed by iterations. In this adaptation the linear average of a refinement rule is replaced by the Riemannian center of mass.

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Preplace each arithmetic weighted average by a binary manifold average (details soon).

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Note that even if we use the word "average" we in general do not restrict t to the interval [0, 1].

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Geodesic induce natural averaging:



Figure: Geodesic on a torus

The geodesic average  $M_t(p_1, p_2)$  is the point on the geodesic curve between  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  satisfying the metric property

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Note that  $M_0(p_1, p_2) = p_1$  and  $M_1(p_1, p_2) = p_2$  as required. The metric property ensures the symmetry of the average, namely

$$M_t(p_1, p_2) = M_{1-t}(p_2, p_1).$$

#### Recall the cubic B-spline scheme



The refinement rules of this scheme in terms of repeated binary averages are

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The arcs stand for geodesics.

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#### Definition

Let  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \ldots, p_n)$  be a finite sequence of manifold elements, and let  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \ldots, w_n)$  be their associated real weights satisfying  $\sum_{j=1}^n w_j = 1$ . We further assume that  $w_1 \ge w_2 \ge \ldots \ge w_n$ . Then, the repeated geodesic average  $\mathfrak{M}_n(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w})$  is defined recursively as,

$$\begin{cases} M_{w_2}(p_1, p_2) & \text{if } n = 2\\ M_{w_n}(\mathfrak{M}_{n-1}\left((p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}), \frac{1}{1-w_n}(w_1, \dots, w_{n-1})\right), p_n) & \text{if } n > 2. \end{cases}$$

In case of symmetry,

$$w_j = w_{n-j+1}, \quad j = 1, \ldots, \ell \quad , \quad \ell = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor.$$

Then, for even n (for odd n we split the median weight) we define

$$\mathfrak{M}_{n}^{S}\left(\mathbf{p},\mathbf{w}\right)=M_{1/2}(\mathfrak{M}_{n/2}\left(\mathbf{p}^{1},\mathbf{w}^{1}\right),\mathfrak{M}_{n/2}\left(\mathbf{p}^{2},\mathbf{w}^{1}\right).$$

#### Convergence

- Most popular method to show convergence of adapted linear subdivision schemes is by **proximity**.
- The main drawback is that the convergence via proximity is guaranteed only for "close enough data points". Namely, small enough  $\delta(\{p_i\}) = \sup_i d(p_i, p_{i+1})$ .
- We aim to show that our schemes are convergent for **any initial data**.
- This is done by *contractivity*, that is the existence of  $\mu < 1$  s.t.,  $\delta(\{\mathcal{S}(\{p_i\})\}) \leq \mu \delta(\{p_i\}).$

#### Adaptation and convergence - example

The interpolatory 4-point scheme,

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$$\mathfrak{M}_{4}^{S}(\mathbf{p},\mathbf{w}) = M_{\frac{1}{2}}\left(M_{-2\omega}(p_{i},p_{i-1}),M_{-2\omega}(p_{i+1},p_{i+2})\right),$$

with  $\mathbf{w} = (\frac{1}{2} + \omega, -\omega, \frac{1}{2} + \omega, -\omega)$  and  $\mathbf{p} = (p_i, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, p_{i+2})$ .

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#### Theorem

The adapted version of the interpolatory 4-pt and 6-pt scheme, as well as the first four B-spline schemes (piecewise linear, quadratic corner cutting, cubic, and quintic) are converged from any (admissible) initial data.

#### Approximation order - in a nutshell

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Any convergent subdivision scheme that reproduces linear polynomials, which is adapted by the inductive geodesic average and having a contraction factor has a second approximation order.

#### Adaptation with repeated geodesic averages – summary

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#### We look for a new approach to be considered!

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This is the Lane-Riesenfeld algorithm.

# The linear Lane-Riesenfeld algorithms – global refinements

(Lane and Riesenfeld, 1980)

The refinement step of an m-th degree B-spline subdivision scheme by several simple global averaging steps is also correspond to the factory of the symbol

$$a^{[m]}(z) = (1+z)rac{(1+z)}{2}\left(rac{1+z}{2}
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# The linear Lane-Riesenfeld algorithms - global refinements

(Lane and Riesenfeld, 1980)

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#### Theorem

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$$\xi(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < \alpha, \\ 1 + 2|\frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha}|, & -1 < \alpha < 0 \\ 1 + 2|\frac{1}{1+\alpha}|, & \alpha < -1. \end{cases}$$

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## Thank you