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# DETECTION OF REPRESENTATION ORBITS OF COMPACT LIE GROUPS FROM POINT CLOUDS

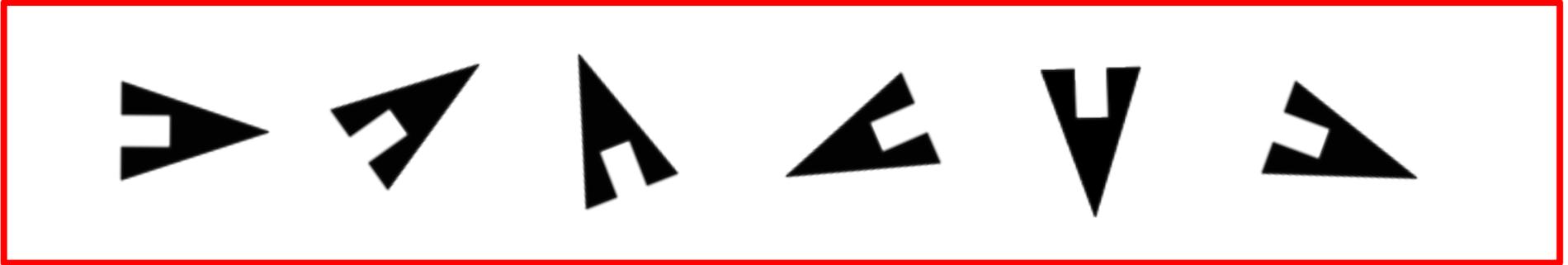
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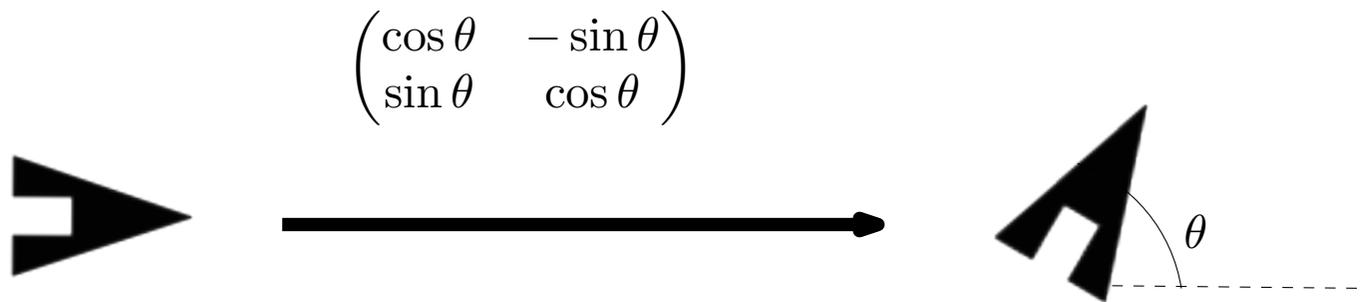
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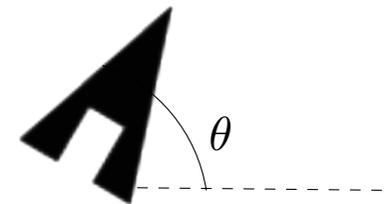
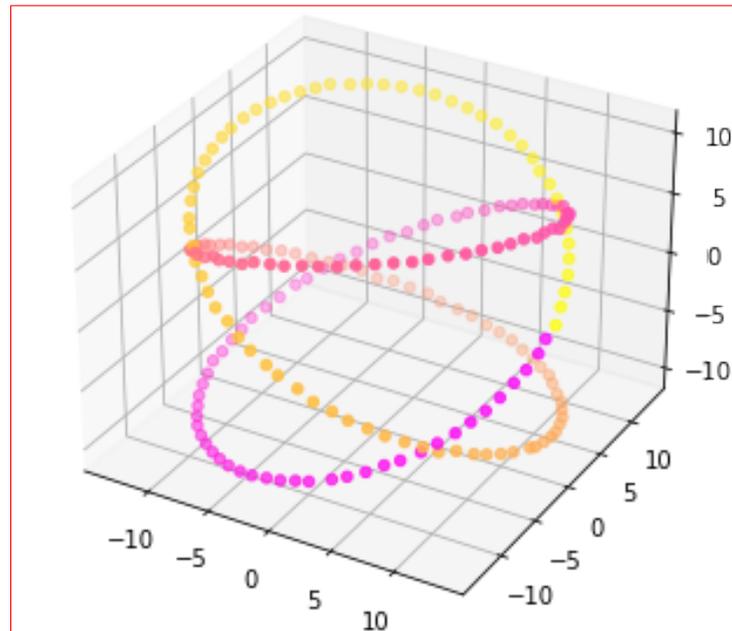


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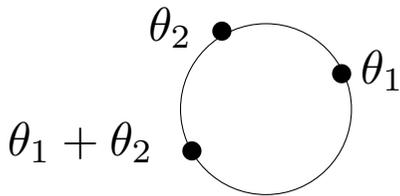
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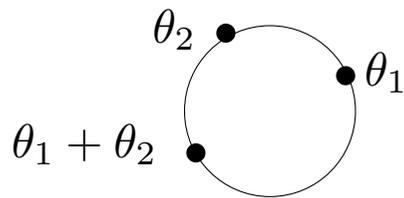
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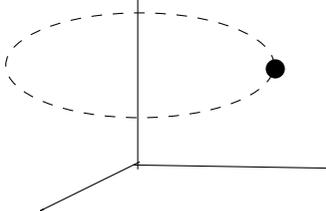
A **representation** of a Lie group  $G$  is a smooth group homomorphism  $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(V)$ , where  $GL(V)$  is the set of invertible matrices over a vector space  $V$

(equivalently, a representation is an action of  $G$  on  $V$  that is linear)

A same Lie group  $G$  may have several representations

Ex.:  $SO(2) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \mid \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \xrightarrow{\rho_1} \{ \exp(2\pi i \theta) \} \subseteq SU(1)$

$\xrightarrow{\rho_2} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subseteq SO(3)$



- A representation  $(\pi, V)$  of  $G$  is **irreducible** if  $W = \{0\}$  is only proper subspace of  $V$  for which  $\pi(G) \cdot W \subseteq W$ , otherwise it is **reducible**
- A representation  $(\phi, V)$  of  $G$  is **completely reducible** if it is the direct sum of irreducible representations  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n$  of  $G$

$$\phi(g) = \pi_1(g) \oplus \dots \oplus \pi_n(g), \forall g \in G$$

(there is a basis such that  $\phi(g) = \text{diag}(\pi_1(g), \dots, \pi_n(g))$ )

# Lie algebras

Let  $L_g : G \rightarrow G$  be the left translation action of  $G$  onto itself, i.e.,  $L_g(h) = g \cdot h$ , and  $X$  a vector field on  $G$ . Then  $X$  is called left-invariant if

$$L_g^* X = X, \forall g \in G$$

The set of left-invariant vector fields on  $G$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}$  is

- a vector space
- isomorphic to  $T_e G$
- closed under Lie derivatives, i.e., if  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ , then  $\mathcal{L}_X(Y) = [X, Y] \in \mathfrak{g}$
- there is a local diffeomorphism  $\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$

The structure  $(\mathfrak{g}, [\cdot, \cdot])$  is called the **Lie algebra** of  $G$

For  $GL(n, F)$ , we have that

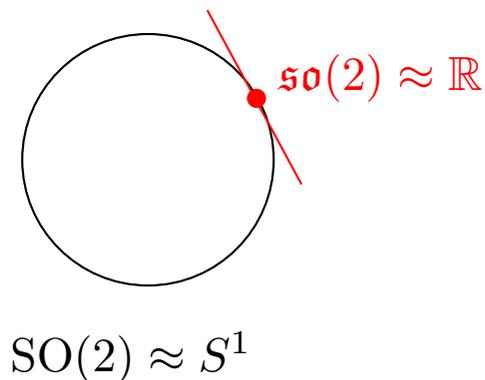
- $\mathfrak{gl}(n, F) = M_{n \times n}(F)$  endowed with usual matrix commutation (i.e.,  $[X, Y] = XY - YX$ )
- $\exp$  is just matrix exponentiation  
→  $\exp(tX)$  is a  $n \times n$  invertible matrix for  $X \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, F) = T_e G$
- $\exp(\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C})) = GL(n, \mathbb{C})$

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**Example:**  $\mathfrak{so}(2) = t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \approx \mathbb{R}$

$$\exp \left[ t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\exp(\mathfrak{so}(2)) = SO(2)$$



**Example:**  $\mathfrak{so}(3) \approx (\mathbb{R}^3, \times)$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\exp(t_X X + t_Y Y + t_Z Z) \in SO(3)$$

!!!  $\exp(t_X X + t_Y Y + t_Z Z) \neq \exp(t_X X) \cdot \exp(t_Y Y) \cdot \exp(t_Z Z)$ !!!

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we may consider  $\mathcal{G}^{Lie}(V, \mathfrak{g})$  (resp.  $\mathcal{V}^{Lie}(V, \mathfrak{g})$ ) as the Grassmannian (resp. Stiefel) varieties of representations of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in  $V$  up to this equivalence

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# Facts about compact Lie groups

## 1. Compact Lie groups are fully classified

Group	Definition	Lie algebra definition	Dimension
$O(n)$	$O^T = O^{-1}$	$O^T = -O$	$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$
$SO(n)$	$O^T = O^{-1}$ $\det O = 1$	$O^T = -O$	$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$
$U(n)$	$U^\dagger = U^{-1}$	$U^\dagger = -U$	$n^2$
$SU(n)$	$U^\dagger = U^{-1}$ $\det U = 1$	$U^\dagger = -U$ $\text{tr } U = 0$	$n^2 - 1$

+ products

+ finite extensions

## 2. All representations of compact Lie groups are orthogonal under some inner product

$(\phi, V)$  is a rep of  $G \iff$  there is an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  such that, for all  $x, y \in V$

$$\text{and } g \in G, \langle x, y \rangle = \langle \rho(g)x, \rho(g)y \rangle$$

$\iff$  there is a representation  $(\phi', V)$  with  $\langle x, y \rangle_{\ell^2} = \langle \phi'(g)x, \phi'(g)y \rangle_{\ell^2}$

and a  $A \in GL(V)$  such that  $\phi(g) = A\phi'(g)A^{-1}, \forall g \in G$

## 3. Representations of compact Lie groups are completely reducible

(there is a basis for  $V$  such that  $\rho(g) = \text{diag}(\pi_1(g), \dots, \pi_n(g))$ )

## 4. If $G$ is connected, then $\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$ is surjective

# Our algorithm

**The goal:** Given a point cloud  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which we believe to be within the orbit of a representation  $\rho : G \rightarrow \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{R})$  of  $G$ . We want to decompose  $\rho$  as a direct sum of irreducible representations, i.e., there is an orthogonal change of basis  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\rho = A(\pi_1 \oplus \pi_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus \pi_k)A^{-1}$ .

**Ex.:** The non-trivial real irreducible representations of  $\text{SO}(2)$  are all of  $\pi_n : \text{SO}(2) \rightarrow \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{R})$  and given by

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Any  $\rho : \text{SO}(2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  has form  $\rho(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_{i_1}(\theta) & & & \\ & \pi_{i_2}(\theta) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \pi_{i_{n/2}}(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$  up to a change of basis,

where the non-negative integers  $i_1, \dots, i_{n/2}$  are called the representation **types**.

**Ex. 2:** The non-trivial real irreducible representations of  $\text{SO}(3)$  are more complicated, but there are, up to change of basis, one irreducible representation of  $\text{SO}(3)$  for all odd positive integers

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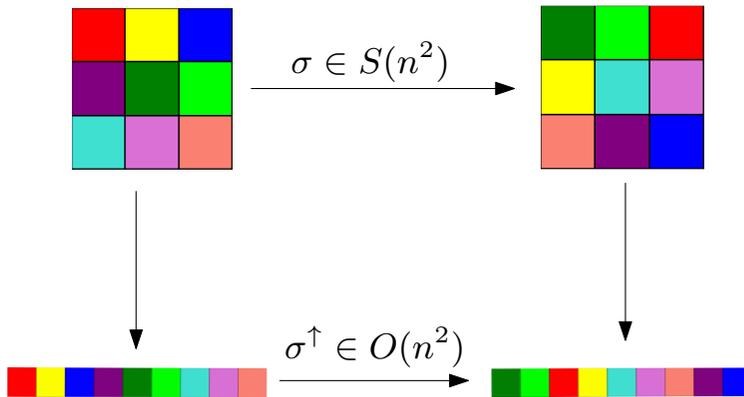
**The challenge:** Find this decomposition, together with the change of basis  $A$ .

**The solution:** Work at the Lie algebra level to find a basis  $\{T_j\}_{j=1}^{\dim G}$  for  $d\rho(\mathfrak{g})$  and decompose each  $T_j$  into representation types.

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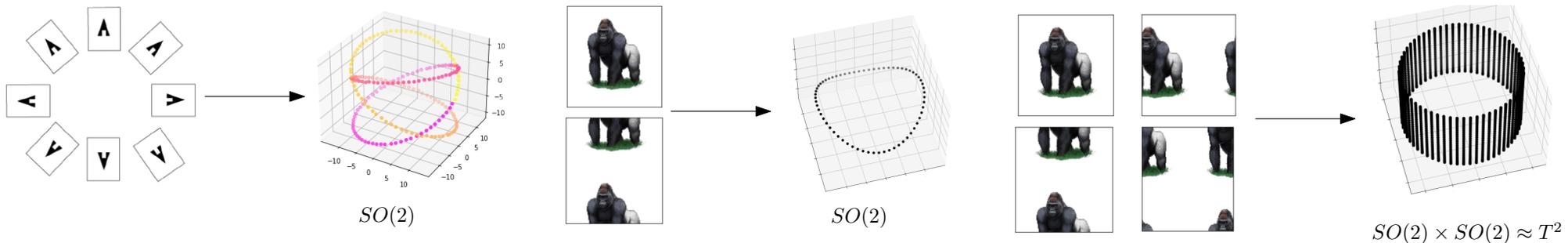
# Pixel Permutation Transformations

We can treat permutation of  $n \times n$  pixelated images as orthogonal matrices in  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$



the embedded images  $\{x\} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  lie in a **orbit of a  $O(n^2)$  representation**

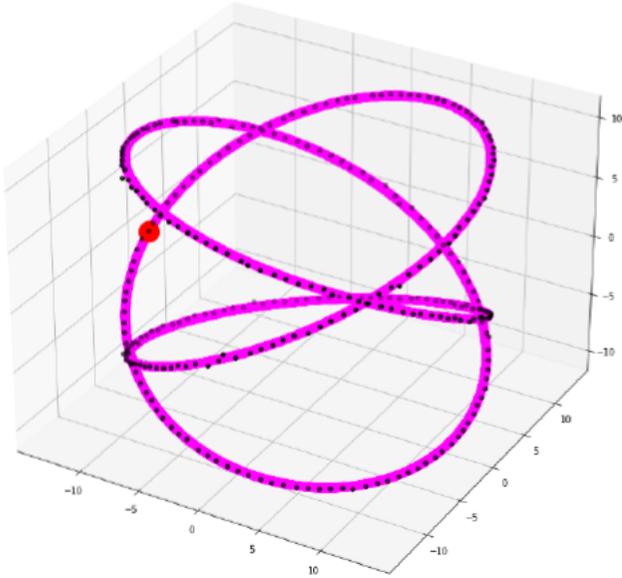
But special set of transformations may be within the **orbit of representations of “smaller” Lie groups**



**Lemma:** If a set of  $n \times n$  images  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^N$  is generated by applications of an Abelian group of rank  $d$  to  $x_0$ , then their embeddings  $\{x_i^\uparrow\}_{i=0}^N$  lie in an orbit of a  $SO(2)^d \approx T^d$  representation in  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Moreover, they are still in orbit of a  $SO(2)^d \approx T^d$  representation after (smart) applications of PCA.

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## Application 1: orbit completion



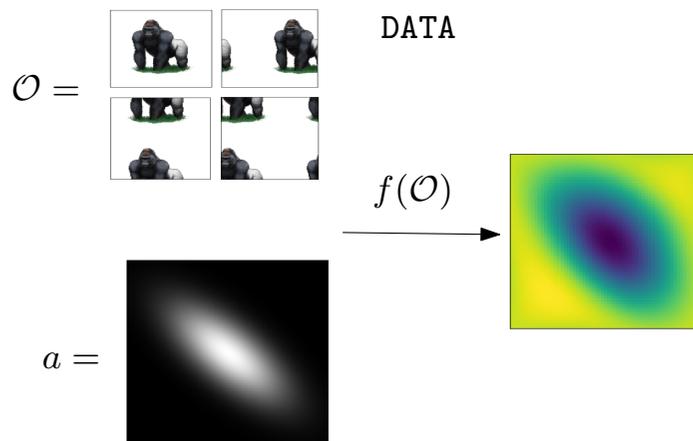
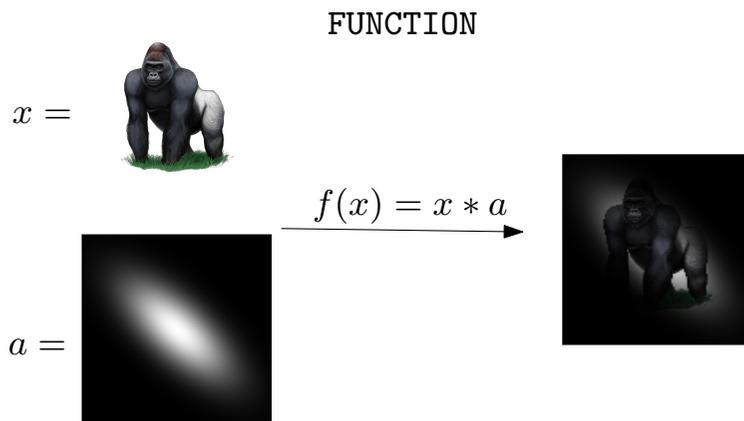
PCA dimension	Upscale of initial image	Hausdorff distance	Upscale of orbit generated
4		0.039	
6		0.029	
8		0.065	
10		0.084	

# Harmonic analysis

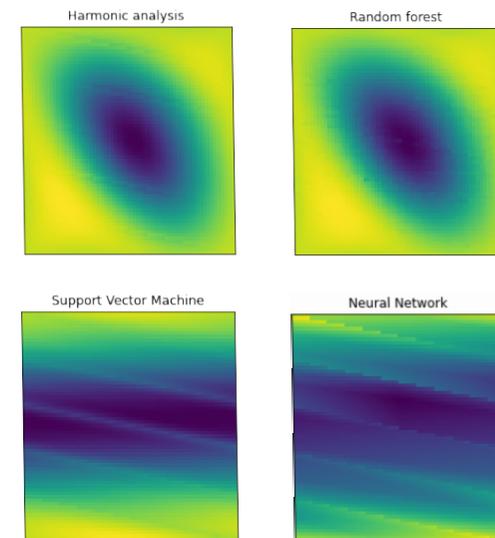
## Application 2: harmonic analysis

**Theorem:** Suppose  $\mathcal{O}$  is an orbit of a representation of a Lie group  $G$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then there is a known enumerable set of functions  $\{\tilde{f}_i : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  such that, for any continuous  $f : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , there are  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty} \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \tilde{f}_i$ .

Ex.: for  $G = (S^1, +)$ , this reduces to the ordinary Fourier decomposition



## MACHINE LEARNING



Model	MSE on test data
<b>Harmonic analysis</b>	<b>0.02057</b>
Random Forest	0.09336
Support Vector Machine	24.91
Neural Network	25.33

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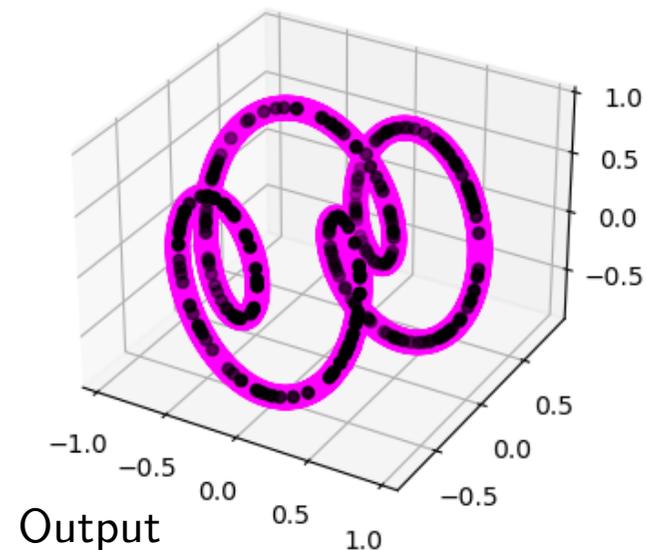
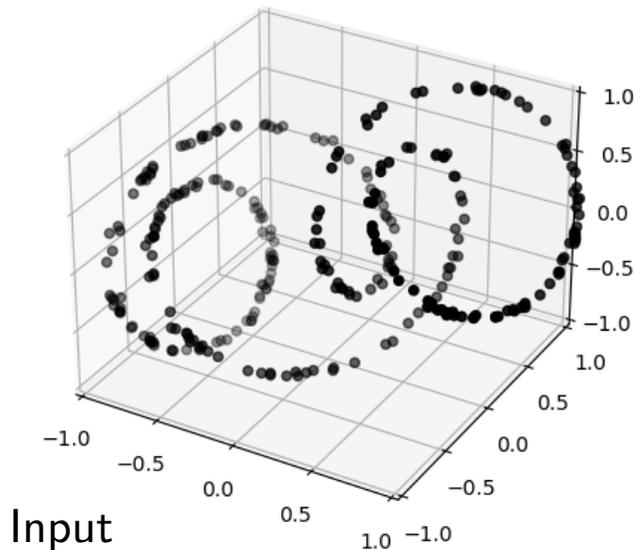
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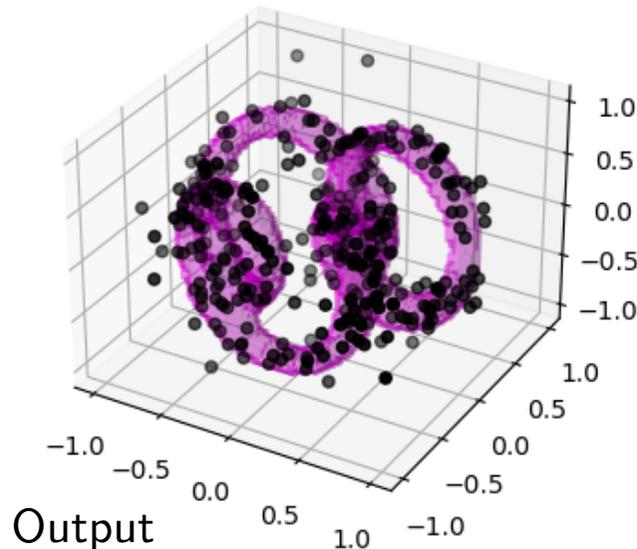
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**Main idea:** Estimate first the pushforward Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{h} = d\phi(\mathfrak{g})$ , and deduce  $\mathcal{O}$  through

$$\mathcal{O} = \phi(G) \cdot x = \exp(\mathfrak{h}) \cdot x = \{ \exp(A)x \mid A \in \mathfrak{h} \},$$

where  $x$  is any element of  $\mathcal{O}$ . The algebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  is found as a Lie subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$ .

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# Overview of the algorithm

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**Output:** A representation  $\hat{\phi}$  of  $G$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and an orbit  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$  close to  $X$ .

**Main idea:** Estimate first the pushforward Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{h} = d\phi(\mathfrak{g})$ , and deduce  $\mathcal{O}$  through

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**Step 1: Orthonormalization** Apply dimension reduction and orthonormalization.

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# Step 1: Orthonormalization

We wish to normalize the orbit  $\mathcal{O}$  so as to make  $\phi$  an orthogonal representation,

i.e., such that  $\phi$  takes values in  $O(n)$ ,

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**Fact:** there exists a positive-definite matrix  $M$  such that the conjugated representation  $M\phi M^{-1}$  is orthogonal. Orbits are obtained by left translation by  $M$ .

We find  $M$  as the square root of the Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse of covariance matrix:

$$M = \sqrt{\Sigma[X]^+} \quad \text{where} \quad \Sigma[X] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i x_i^\top.$$

**Example:** With  $M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{diag}(1, 1/2, 1, 1)$ ,

$$\phi: t \mapsto \text{diag} \left( \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -(1/2) \sin t \\ 2 \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \cos 4t & -\sin 4t \\ \sin 4t & \cos 4t \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

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# Step 1: Orthonormalization

**Dimension reduction:** In addition, we apply PCA to  $X$ .

Let  $\epsilon$  be parameter, and  $\Pi_{\Sigma[X]}^{\geq \epsilon}$  be the projection matrix on the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  spanned by the eigenvectors of  $\Sigma[X]$  of eigenvalue greater than  $\epsilon$ . We set  $X \leftarrow \Pi_{\Sigma[X]}^{\geq \epsilon} X$ .

This has the effect of:

- reducing the computational cost of the next steps,
- avoiding numerical errors, when computing the pseudo-inverse of  $\Sigma[X]$ ,
- ensuring that we will estimate non-trivial representations.

**Intrinsic and extrinsic symmetries:** Given a Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  isometrically embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , define

- $\text{Isom}(\mathcal{M})$ : the set of diffeomorphisms  $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  that preserves the metric,
- $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{M}) = \{P \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid P\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}\}$ .

By restricting the action of the matrices  $P$  to  $\mathcal{M}$ , we obtain a group homomorphism

$$\text{Sym}(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \text{Isom}(\mathcal{M}).$$

It may not be injective, since certain matrices  $P$  may act trivially on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

This is avoided by projecting  $\mathcal{M}$  into the subspace it spans.

## Step 2: Lie-PCA

We wish to estimate  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O}) = \{P \in \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \exp(P) \in \text{Sym}(\mathcal{O})\}$ .

A solution has been proposed in [Cahill, Mixon, Parshall, **Lie PCA: Density estimation for symmetric manifolds**, Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis, 2023].

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$$\Lambda(A) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \widehat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x_i \rangle]$$

where

- $\widehat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X]$  estimation of projection matrices on the normal spaces  $N_{x_i} \mathcal{O}$ ,
- $\Pi[\langle x_i \rangle]$ 's are the projection matrices on the lines  $\langle x_i \rangle$ .

In practice, we find  $\widehat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X]$  via local PCA.

**Facts:** (1)  $\Lambda$  is symmetric. (2) The kernel of  $\Lambda$  is approximately  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$ .

We can find  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$  as the subspace spanned by the bottom eigenvectors of  $\Lambda$ .

**Example:** The eigenvalues of  $\Lambda$  on  $\mathcal{O} = \{(\cos t, \sin t, \cos 4t, \sin 4t) \mid t \in [0, 2\pi)\}$  are

0.001, 0.102, 0.109, 0.112, 0.135, 0.145, 0.156, 0.212,  
0.212, 0.233, 0.236, 0.247, 0.249, 0.259, 0.296, 0.296.

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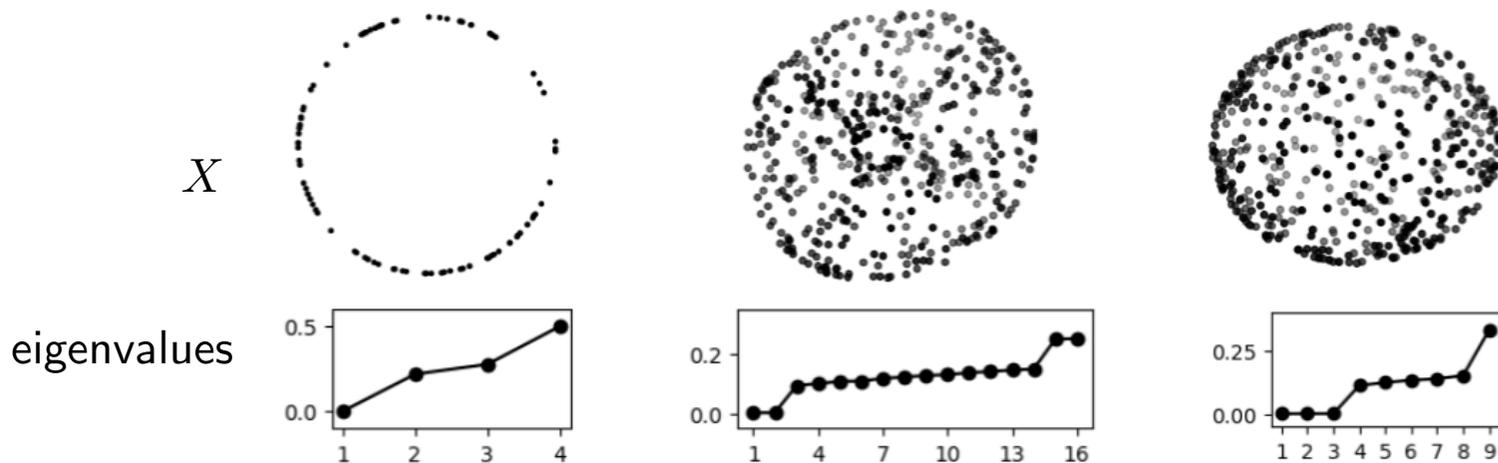
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## Step 2: Lie-PCA

**Derivation of Lie-PCA:** Based on the fact that

$$\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O}) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \forall x \in \mathcal{O}, Ax \in T_x \mathcal{O}\}$$

where  $T_x \mathcal{O}$  denotes the tangent space of  $\mathcal{O}$  at  $x$ . In other words,

$$\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O}) = \bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{O}} S_x \mathcal{O} \quad \text{where} \quad S_x \mathcal{O} = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid Ax \in T_x \mathcal{O}\},$$

Using only the point cloud  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ , we consider

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^N S_{x_i} \mathcal{O} = \ker \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \Pi[(S_{x_i} \mathcal{O})^\perp] \right),$$

Besides, the authors show that

$$\Pi[(S_{x_i} \mathcal{O})^\perp](A) = \Pi[N_{x_i} \mathcal{O}] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x_i \rangle].$$

One naturally puts

$$\Lambda(A) = \sum_{i=1}^N \widehat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x_i \rangle]$$

where  $\widehat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X]$  is an estimation of  $\Pi[N_{x_i} \mathcal{O}]$  computed from the observation  $X$ .

## Step 3: Closest Lie algebra

We will suppose that  $d = \dim(\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O}))$  is known. General case studied in our paper.

In the original Lie-PCA, the authors propose to estimate  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$  as  $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$ , the linear subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  spanned by the  $d$  bottom eigenvectors of  $\Lambda$ .

But:

(1)  $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$  may not be a Lie algebra pushforward of  $\mathfrak{g}$ :

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5.5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ? \quad \approx \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2)  $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$  may not be close under Lie bracket  $[A, B] = AB - BA$ .

**Solution:** Project  $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$  to the closest Lie algebra pushforward of  $\mathfrak{g}$

$$\arg \min \left\| \Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d] - \Pi[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}] \right\| \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \widehat{\mathfrak{h}} \in \mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n)),$$

- where
- $\Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d]$  and  $\Pi[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}]$  are projection matrices, seen as operators on  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,
  - $\left\| \Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d] - \Pi[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}] \right\|$  is the distance on the Grassmannian of  $d$ -planes in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,
  - $\mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n))$ , the set of Lie subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{so}(n)$  coming from an almost-faithful representation of  $G$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

## Step 3: Closest Lie algebra

**Reformulation:** The minimization program

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is equivalent to

$$\arg \min \|\Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d] - \Pi[\langle O \text{diag}(B_i^k)_{k=1}^p O^\top \rangle_{i=1}^d]\| \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \begin{cases} (B^1, \dots, B^p) \in \text{orb}(G, n), \\ O \in O(n). \end{cases}$$

where  $\text{orb}(G, n)$  is a choice of representatives in the moduli space of orbit-equivalence of almost-faithful representation of  $G$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

This program naturally splits into  $|\text{orb}(G, n)|$  minimization problems over  $O(n)$ . In practice, we perform the minimizations via by gradient descent (package Pymanopt).

**Example:** We still consider  $\mathcal{O} = \{(\cos t, \sin t, \cos 4t, \sin 4t) \mid t \in [0, 2\pi)\}$ . The representations of  $SO(2)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^4$  take the form

$$\phi_u \oplus \phi_v(t) = \text{diag} \left( \begin{pmatrix} \cos ut & -\sin ut \\ \sin ut & \cos ut \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \cos vt & -\sin vt \\ \sin vt & \cos vt \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

Result of minimization:

Weights	(0, 1)	(1, 2)	(1, 3)	(1, 4)	(2, 3)	(3, 4)
Costs	0.004	0.002	0.002	$4.29 \times 10^{-5}$	0.006	0.008

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**Example:** We consider a sample  $X$  of an orbit  $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{R}^6$  of the 2-torus  $T^2$ . Its pushforward Lie algebras are in correspondence with 2-dimensional primitive integral lattices of  $\mathbb{Z}^3$ .

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## Step 4: Generate the orbit

We have calculated a representation  $\hat{\phi}: G \rightarrow \text{SO}(n)$  whose pushforward Lie algebra  $\hat{\mathfrak{h}}$  is closest to that of  $X$ .

We now exponentiate it: let  $x \in X$  arbitrary and

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x = \hat{\phi}(G) \cdot x = \{ \exp(A)x \mid A \in \hat{\mathfrak{h}} \}.$$

In practice, it is enough to compute

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x = \{ \exp(A)x \mid A \in \mathfrak{h}, \|A\| \leq \delta \times \text{diam}(G) \}$$

where  $\text{diam}(G)$  is the diameter of  $G$  (endowed with a bi-invariant Riemannian structure) and  $\delta$  is a Lipschitz constant for  $\hat{\phi}$ .

**Hausdorff distance:** In order to quantify the quality of our estimation, we compute the one-sided Hausdorff distance  $d_H(X | \hat{\mathcal{O}}_x)$ .

**Wasserstein distance:** Hausdorff distance is not suited when  $X$  has anomalous points. In this case, we consider

$$\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i}} \quad \text{with } \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i}} \text{ uniform measure on } \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i},$$

and compute the Wasserstein distance  $W_2(\mu_X, \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}})$ .

# Toy examples

**Rep of  $SO(2)$  with noise:** Let  $X$  be a 300-sample of

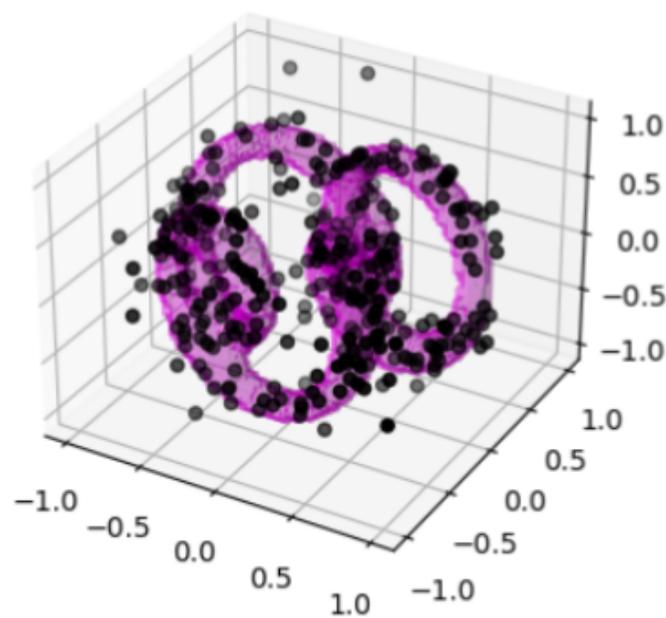
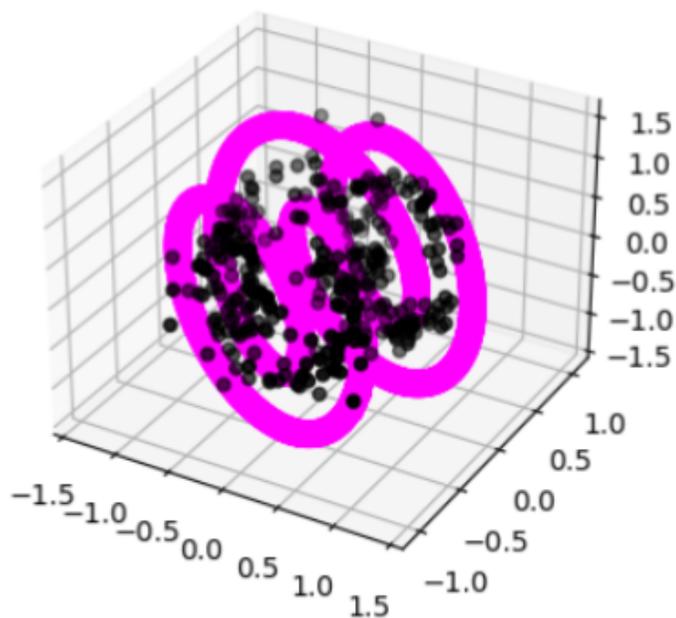
$$\mathcal{O} = \{(\cos t, 2 \sin t, \cos 4t, \sin 4t) \mid t \in [0, 2\pi)\}$$

to which we add an additive Gaussian noise ( $\sigma = 0.03$ ) and 30 points uniformly in  $[-1, 1]^4$ .

The algorithm, with  $G = SO(2)$ , retrieves successfully the representation  $\phi_1 \oplus \phi_4$ .

However, with an arbitrary  $x \in X$ , we obtain the Hausdorff distance  $d_H(X|\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x) \approx 1.128$ .

On the other hand, the Wasserstein distance is  $W_2(\mu_X, \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}) \approx 0.392$ .



To visualize  $\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}$ , we consider a Gaussian kernel density estimator  $f: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  (bandwidth 0.1) and represent the sublevel set  $f^{-1}([0.5, +\infty))$ .

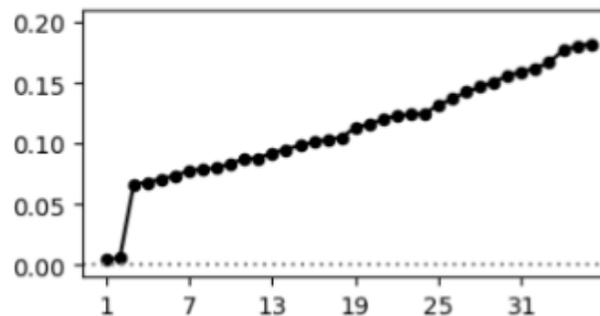
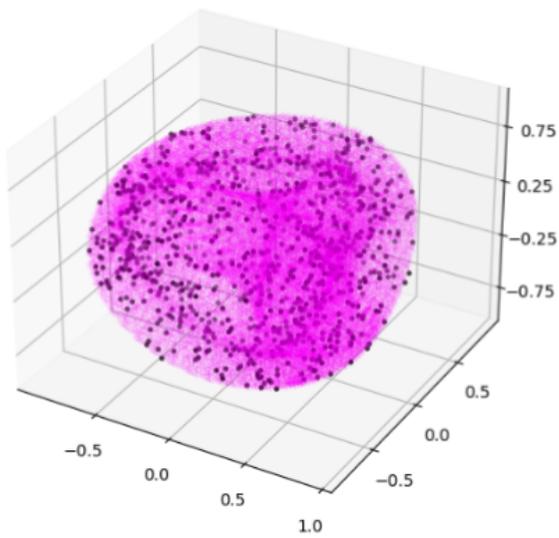
# Toy examples

**Rep of  $T^2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^6$ :** Let  $X$  be a uniform 750-sample of an orbit of the representation  $\phi_{(1,1)} \oplus \phi_{(1,2)} \oplus \phi_{(2,1)}$  of the torus  $T^2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^6$ .

We apply the algorithm with  $G = T^2$  on  $X$ , and restrict the representations to those with weights at most 2.

The algorithm's output is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , that is, the representation  $\phi_{(0,2)} \oplus \phi_{(1,-2)} \oplus \phi_{(1,1)}$ . Moreover,  $d_H(X|\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x) \approx 0.071$ .

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Eigenvalues of Lie-PCA operator

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The irreps of  $SU(2)$  and  $SO(3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are parametrized by the partitions of  $n$ .

**Orthogonal group in  $\mathbb{R}^9$ :** Let  $X$  be a 3000-sample of the  $3 \times 3$  special orthogonal matrices embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^9$ .

We expect to estimate a nontrivial representation of  $SO(3)$ , since it acts transitively on itself. The algorithm yields:

Representation	(3, 5)	(3, 3, 3)	(4, 5)	(8)	(5)	(7)
Cost	$2 \times 10^{-5}$	$4 \times 10^{-5}$	0.001	0.001	0.03	0.004
Representation	(9)	(3, 3)	(3, 4)	(4, 4)	(3)	(4)
Cost	0.004	0.006	0.007	0.009	0.011	0.013

The optimum is given by the partition (3, 5). However  $d_H(X|\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x) \approx 2.658$ .

In comparison, the distance from the orbit to  $X$  is small:  $d_H(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x|X) \approx 0.543$ .

This indicates that the representation is not transitive on  $X$ .

Next, consider the representation (3, 3, 3). We obtain  $d_H(X|\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x) \approx 0.061$ .

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# Stability

**Input:**  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $G$  compact Lie group

**Step 1:** Orthonormalization via  $X \leftarrow \sqrt{\Sigma[X]^+} \cdot \Pi_{\Sigma[X]}^{\geq \epsilon} \cdot X$ .

with  $\Sigma[X]$  covariance matrix, and  $\Pi_{\Sigma[X]}^{\geq \epsilon}$  projection on eigenvectors  $> \epsilon$ .

**Step 2:** Diagonalize the operator  $\Lambda: A \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x_i \rangle]$

where  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $\hat{\Pi}[N_{x_i} X]$  estimation of projection on normal space of  $X$ .

**Step 3:** Solve  $\arg \min_{\hat{h}} \|\Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d] - \Pi[\hat{h}]\|$  with  $(A_i)_{i=1}^d$  bottom eigenvectors of  $\Lambda$

where  $\hat{h} \in \mathcal{G}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{so}(n))$  Grassmann variety of Lie subalgebras pushforward of  $G$ .

**Step 4:** Output  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x = \{\exp(A)x \mid A \in \hat{h}\}$

where  $x \in X$  is an arbitrary point.

**Goal:** Show that  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x$  is stable with respect to  $X$

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Show that  $W_2(\mu_{\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_x}, \nu_{\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_y}) \leq W_2(\mu, \nu)$

# Stability

Why working with Wasserstein and not Hausdorff?

- Allows noise and anomalous points
- Everything translates nicely in the measure formalism
- PCA is not stable is Hausdorff

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**Technical assumptions:** Define the quantities

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Suppose that  $\omega$  is small enough, so as to satisfy

$$\omega < \left( \left( v^2 + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1/2} - v \right) / \left( 3(n+1) \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sigma_{\min}^2} \right), \quad \tilde{\omega} \leq \min \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{6\rho} \right)^{3(l+1)}, \frac{\gamma^{l+3}}{16}, \left( \frac{\gamma}{(6\rho)^2} \right)^{l+1} \right\}.$$

Choose two parameters  $\epsilon$  and  $r$  in the following nonempty sets:

$$\epsilon \in \left( (2v+\omega)\omega\sigma_{\min}^2, \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{\min}^2 \right], \quad r \in \left[ (6\rho)^2 \cdot \tilde{\omega}^{1/(l+1)}, (6\rho)^{-1} \right] \cap \left[ (4/\gamma)^{2/(l+1)} \cdot \tilde{\omega}^{1/(l+1)}, \gamma \right].$$

Moreover, we suppose that

- the minimization problems are computed exactly,
- $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$  is spanned by matrices whose spectra come from primitive integral vectors of coordinates at most  $\omega_{\max}$ ,
- $G = \text{Sym}(\mathcal{O})$ .

# Orthonormalization

**Ideal covariance matrix:** Suppose that  $\mathcal{O}$  is an orbit of the representation  $\phi: G \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $\mu_{\mathcal{O}}$  the uniform measure on it. With  $x_0 \in \mathcal{O}$  an arbitrary point, the covariance matrix can be written

$$\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}] = \int (\phi(g)x_0) \cdot (\phi(g)x_0)^\top d\mu_G(g).$$

Now, let  $\mathbb{R}^n = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m V_i$  be the decomposition of  $\phi$  into irreps, and denote as  $(\Pi[V_i])_{i=1}^m$  the projection matrices on these subspaces. We can decompose

$$\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}] = \sum_{i=1}^m C_i \quad \text{where} \quad C_i = \int \phi_i(g) \left( \Pi[V_i](x_0) \cdot \Pi[V_i](x_0)^\top \right) \phi_i(g)^\top d\mu_G(g).$$

If  $\phi$  is orthogonal, then by Schur's lemma, the  $C_i$  are homotheties:

$$\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}] = \sum_{i=1}^m \sigma_i^2 \Pi[V_i] \quad \text{where} \quad \sigma_i^2 = \frac{\|\Pi[V_i](x_0)\|^2}{\dim(V_i)}.$$

This shows that, in general, important quantities are:

- The variance  $\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]$ , a measure of *deviation from orthogonality* of  $\mathcal{O}$
- The ratio  $\sigma_{\max}^2 / \sigma_{\min}^2$ , a measure of *homogeneity* of  $\mathcal{O}$ .

# Orthonormalization

**Proposition:** Let  $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be the orbit of a representation, potentially non-orthogonal,  $\mu_{\mathcal{O}}$  its uniform measure,  $\Pi[\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle]$  the projection on its span, and  $\sigma_{\max}^2, \sigma_{\min}^2$  the top and bottom nonzero eigenvalues of  $\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}]$ .

Besides, let  $\nu$  be a measure,  $\Sigma[\nu]$  its covariance matrix,  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\Pi_{\Sigma[\nu]}^{\geq \epsilon}$  the projection on the subspace spanned by eigenvectors with eigenvalue at least  $\epsilon$ .

If  $W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \nu)$  is small enough, then we have the following bound between the pushforward measures after Step 1:

$$\begin{aligned} & W_2\left(\sqrt{\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}]^+} \Pi[\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle] \mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \sqrt{\Sigma[\nu]^+} \Pi_{\Sigma[\nu]}^{\geq \epsilon} \nu\right) \\ & \leq 8(n+1)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\max}^3}{\sigma_{\min}^3}\right) \left(\frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \nu)}{\sigma_{\min}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\left(\frac{\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]}{\sigma_{\min}^2}\right)^{1/2} + \frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \nu)}{\sigma_{\min}}\right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** Consequence of Davis-Kahan theorem, together with

$$\|\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}]^{-1/2} - \Sigma[\nu]^{-1/2}\|_{\text{op}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sigma_{\min}^2} \cdot \left(2\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]^{1/2} + W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \nu)\right)^{1/2} \cdot W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \nu)^{1/2}.$$

# Lie-PCA

**Ideal Lie-PCA:** Suppose that  $\mathcal{O}$  is an orbit of the representation  $\phi: G \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $\mu_{\mathcal{O}}$  the uniform measure on it. We define

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}(A) = \int \Pi[N_x \mathcal{O}] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x \rangle] d\mu_{\mathcal{O}}(x).$$

**Proposition:** Its kernel is equal to  $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O})$ . Moreover, when  $\mathcal{O} = S^{n-1}$ , its nonzero eigenvalues are exactly  $\delta_n$  and  $\delta'_n$  where

$$\delta_n = \frac{2(n-1)}{n(n(n+1)-2)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta'_n = \frac{1}{n}.$$

**Proof:** Show that  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$  is equivariant with respect to the action of  $G$  by conjugation:

$$\phi(g)\Lambda(A)\phi(g)^{-1} = \Lambda\left(\phi(g)A\phi(g)^{-1}\right)$$

Then use Schur's lemma.

**Empirical observation:** More generally, the nonzero eigenvalues of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$  belong to  $[1/n^2, 1/n]$  when  $\mathcal{O}$  is *homogenous*, i.e.,  $\sigma_{\max}^2/\sigma_{\min}^2 = 1$ .

# Lie-PCA

**Stability:** Comparing

$$\Lambda(A) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \hat{\Pi}[\mathbf{N}_{x_i} X] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x_i \rangle] \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}(A) = \int \Pi[\mathbf{N}_x \mathcal{O}] \cdot A \cdot \Pi[\langle x \rangle] d\mu_{\mathcal{O}}(x).$$

amounts to quantifying the quality of normal space estimation. We use local PCA:

$$\hat{\Pi}[\mathbf{N}_{x_i} X] = I - \Pi_{x_i}^{l,r}[X],$$

where  $\Pi_{x_i}^{l,r}[X]$  is the projection matrix on any  $l$  top eigenvectors of the *local covariance matrix*  $\Sigma_{x_i}^r[X]$  centered at  $x_i$  and at scale  $r$ , itself defined as

$$\Sigma_{x_i}^r[X] = \frac{1}{|Y|} \sum_{y \in Y} (y - x_i)(y - x_i)^{\top},$$

where  $Y = \{y \in X \mid \|y - x_i\| \leq r\}$ , the set input points at distance at most  $r$  from  $x_i$ .

**Measure-theoretic formulation:** If  $\mu$  is a measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we define its *local covariance matrix* centered at  $x$  at scale  $r$  as

$$\Sigma_x^r[\mu] = \int_{\mathcal{B}(x,r)} (y - x)(y - x)^{\top} \frac{d\mu(x)}{\mu(\mathcal{B}(x,r))}.$$

# Lie-PCA

**Bias-variance tradeoff:** Let  $\mu_{\mathcal{M}}$  be measure on a submanifold  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  of dimension  $l$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $\nu$  a measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $y \in \text{supp}(\nu)$ . We decompose

$$\left\| \frac{1}{l+2} \Pi[\mathbb{T}_x \mathcal{M}] - \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_y^r[\nu] \right\|_{\text{F}} \leq$$

$$\underbrace{\left\| \frac{1}{l+2} \Pi[\mathbb{T}_x \mathcal{M}] - \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_x^r[\mu_{\mathcal{M}}] \right\|_{\text{F}}}_{\text{consistency}} + \underbrace{\left\| \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_x^r[\mu_{\mathcal{M}}] - \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_y^r[\mu_{\mathcal{M}}] \right\|_{\text{F}}}_{\text{spatial stability}} + \underbrace{\left\| \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_y^r[\mu_{\mathcal{M}}] - \frac{1}{r^2} \Sigma_y^r[\nu] \right\|_{\text{F}}}_{\text{measure stability}}$$

**Lemma:** If the parameters are chosen correctly, this is

$$\lesssim r + \|x - y\| + \left( \frac{W_2(\mu, \nu)}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

**Corollary:** We deduce a bound between Lie-PCA operators:

$$\|\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} - \Lambda\|_{\text{op}} \leq \sqrt{2}\rho \left( r + 4 \left( \frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \mu_X)}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right).$$

# Rigidity of Lie subalgebras

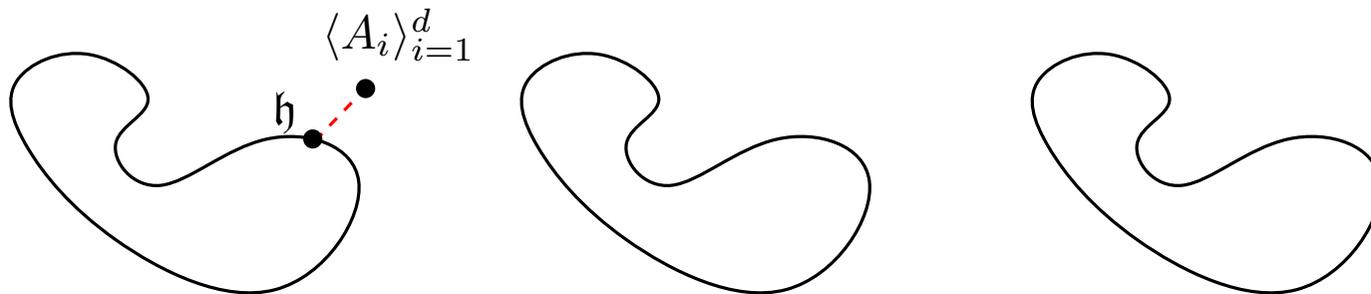
In Step 3, we consider the bottom eigenvectors  $A_1, \dots, A_d$  of Lie-PCA, and solve

$$\arg \min \|\Pi[\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d] - \Pi[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}]\| \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \widehat{\mathfrak{h}} \in \mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n)),$$

where  $\mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n))$  is the subspace of  $\mathfrak{so}(n)$  consisting of the Lie subalgebras pushforward of  $\mathfrak{g}$  by a representation.

The set  $\mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n))$  has many connected components, one for each *orbit-equivalence* class of representations.

Let  $\mathfrak{h}$  be the actual subalgebra we are looking for. We want to make sure that the minimizer belongs to the connected component of  $\mathfrak{h}$ .



The distance from  $\langle A_i \rangle_{i=1}^d$  to  $\mathfrak{h}$  must be lower than the *reach* of  $\mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n))$ . In this context, it is related to the *rigidity* of  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

**Lemma:** Consider the subset of  $\mathcal{G}(G, \mathfrak{so}(n))$  with weights at most  $\omega_{\max}$ . Then its rigidity satisfies

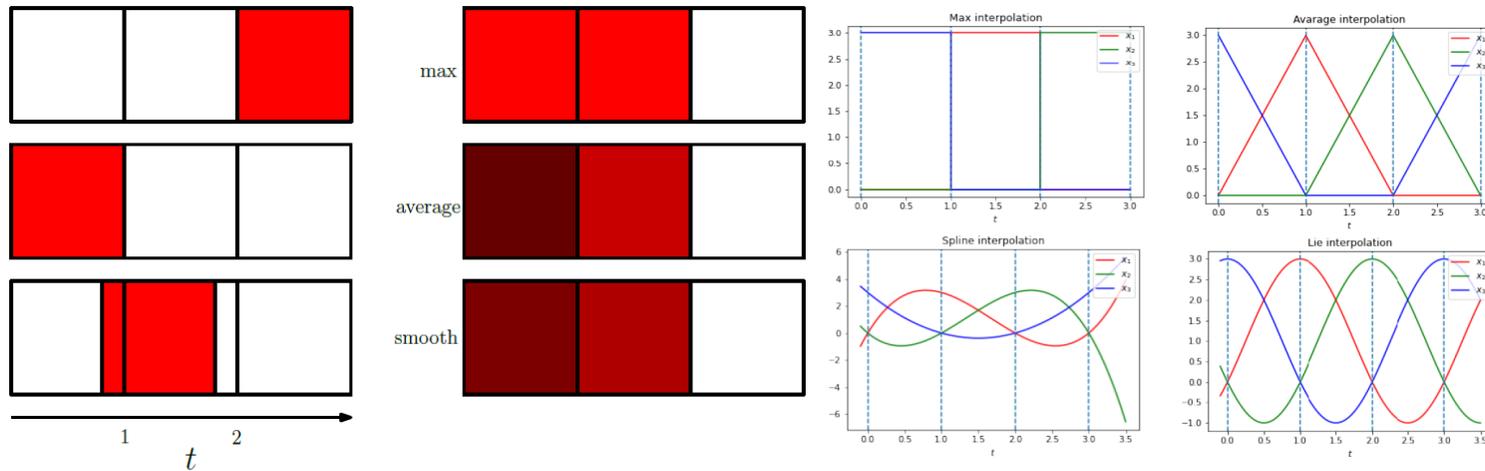
$$\Gamma(G, n, \omega_{\max}) \geq 4/(n\omega_{\max}^2).$$

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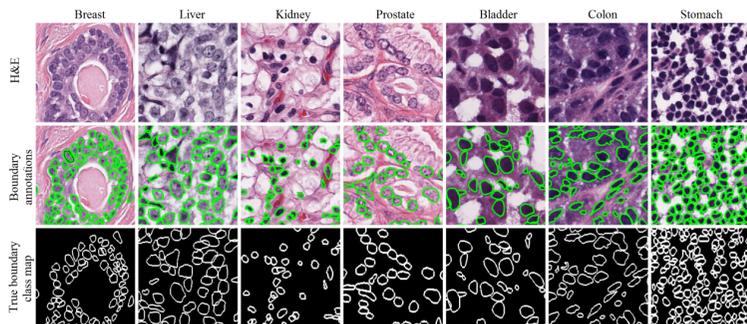
# Conclusion

# Next goals

- Lie based interpolation: development of newer computer vision techniques for both interpolation and analysis

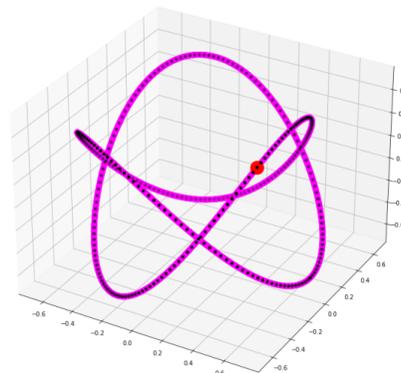
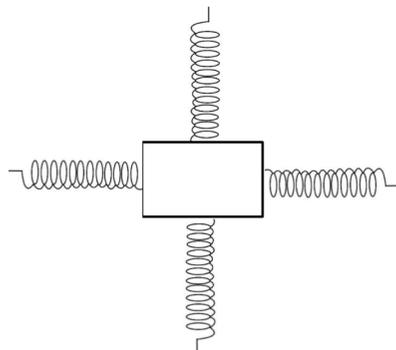


- $G$ -conv nets: there are neural networks architectures invariant to representations of Lie group that may allow for incorporating our algorithm as a detection step



# Next goals

- Application to Hamiltonian mechanics: Noether's theorem predicts that every conserved quantity is related to an action of a Lie group  $G$  on a symplectic manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  called the phase space



- Extension to actions on manifolds: suppose  $G$  has an action  $\rho : G \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M)$  on a manifold  $M$ . Then this extends to an infinite dimensional representation  $\tilde{\rho} : G \rightarrow GL(\mathcal{F}(M))$ , the set of smooth maps  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . This defines a representation  $d\tilde{\rho}$  which maps the Lie algebra elements  $\mathfrak{g}$  to a subspace of the infinite dimensional Lie algebra of vector fields  $\mathcal{X}(M)$  with Lie derivatives as brackets

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\rho}} & GL(\mathcal{F}(M)) \\
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 \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{d\tilde{\rho}} & \mathfrak{gl}(\mathcal{F}(M)) = \mathcal{X}(M)
 \end{array}$$

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