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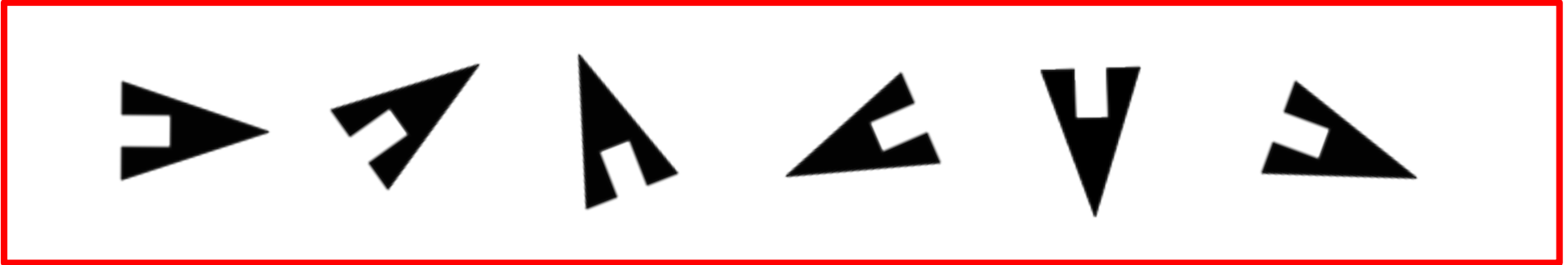
DETECTION OF REPRESENTATION ORBITS OF COMPACT LIE GROUPS FROM POINT CLOUDS

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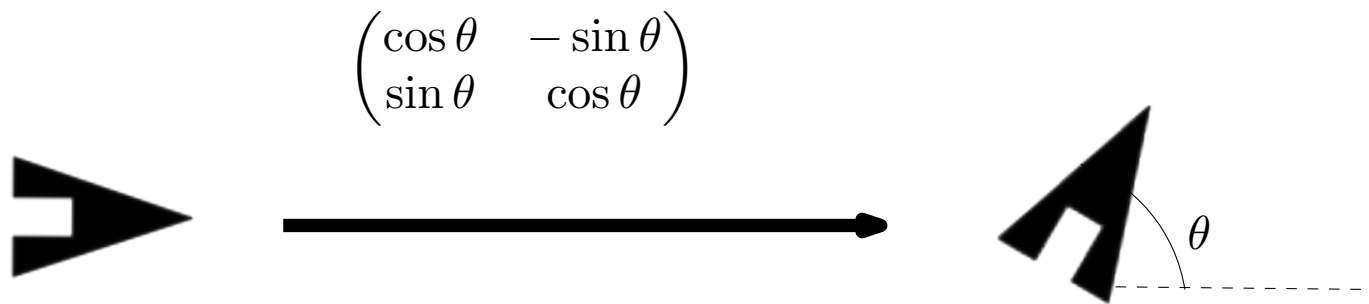
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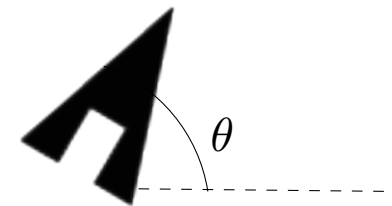
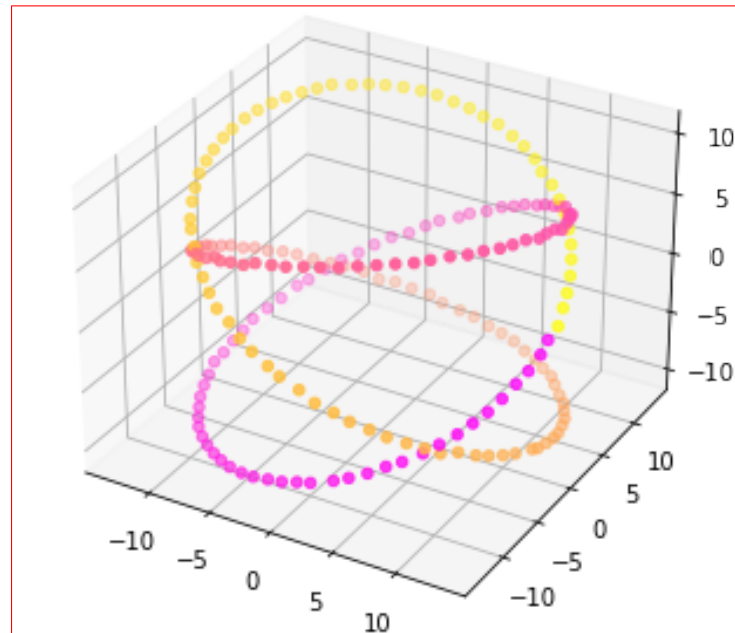


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- $Sp(2n, \mathbb{C})$ - complex symplectic $n \times n$ matrices
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- $SU(n)$ - complex unitary $n \times n$ matrices of determinant $+1$

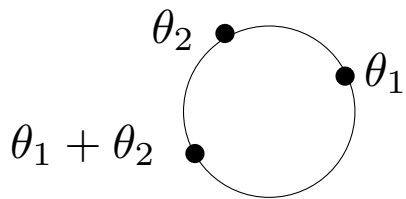
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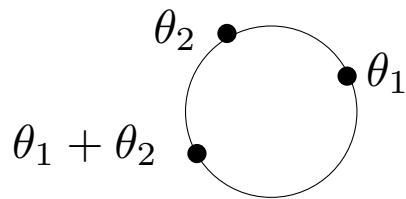
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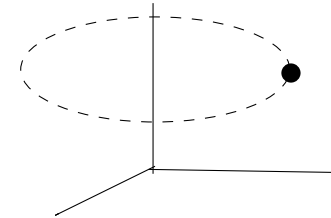
A **representation** of a Lie group G is a smooth group homomorphism $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(V)$, where $GL(V)$ is the set of invertible matrices over a vector space V

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

A same Lie group G may have several representations

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

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



- A representation (π, V) of G is **irreducible** if $W = \{0\}$ is the only proper subspace of V for which $\pi(G) \cdot W \subseteq W$, otherwise it is **reducible**
- A representation (ϕ, V) of G is **completely reducible** if it is the direct sum of irreducible representations π_1, \dots, π_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

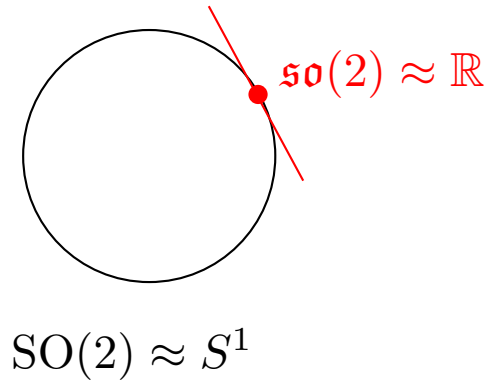
- $\mathfrak{gl}(n, F) = M_{n \times n}(F)$ endowed with usual matrix commutation (i.e., $[X, Y] = XY - YX$)
- \exp is just matrix exponentiation
→ $\exp(tX)$ is a $n \times n$ invertible matrix for $X \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, F) = T_e G$
- $\exp(\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C})) = GL(n, \mathbb{C})$

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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

(ϕ, 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 (ϕ', 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 ρ 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

$$\pi_n(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(n\theta) & -\sin(n\theta) \\ \sin(n\theta) & \cos(n\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

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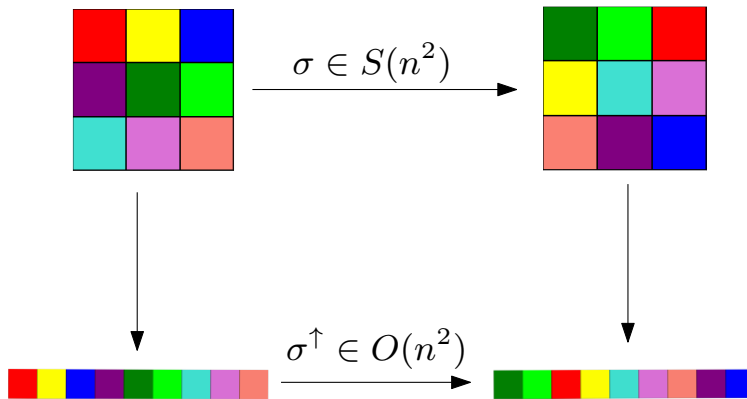
The challenge: Find this decomposition, together with the change of basis A .

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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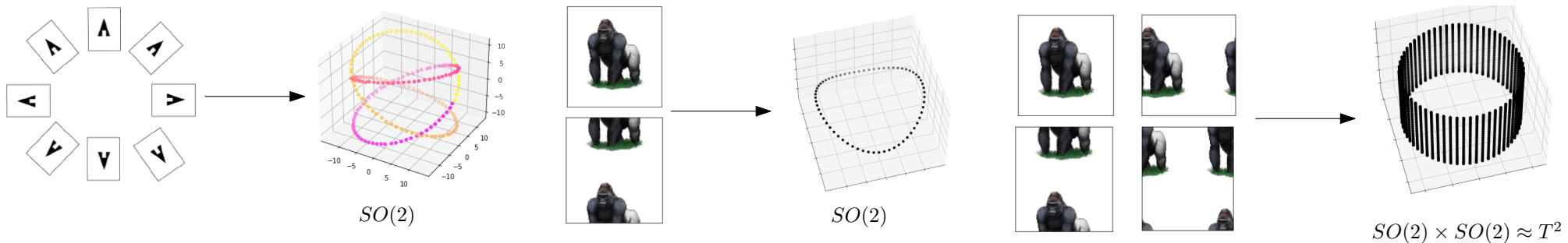
Pixel Permutation Transformations

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**

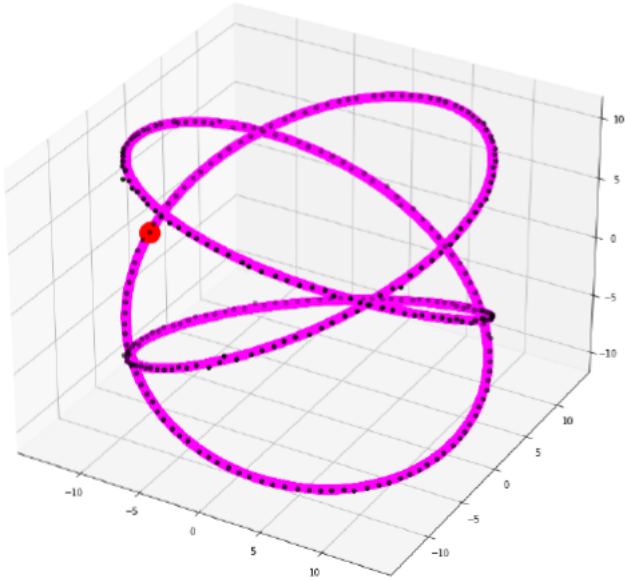
But special set of transformations may be within the **orbit of representations of “smaller” Lie groups**











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



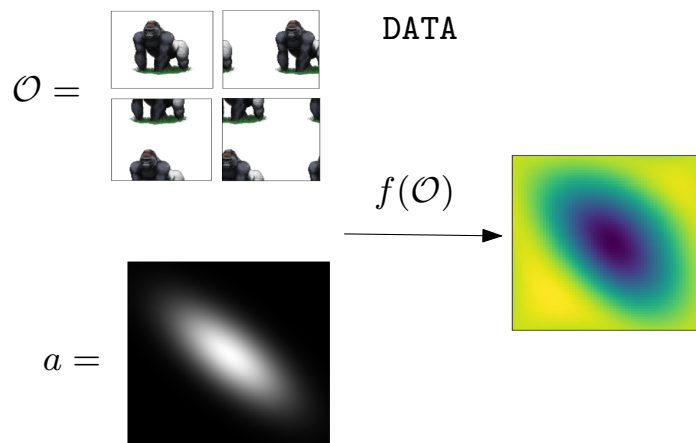
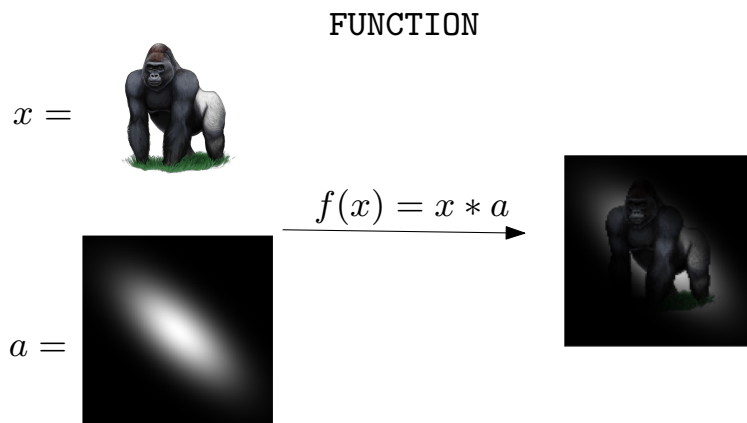
PCA dimension	Upscale of initial image	Hausdorff distance	Upscale of orbit generated
4		0.039	
6		0.029	
8		0.065	
10		0.084	

Harmonic analysis

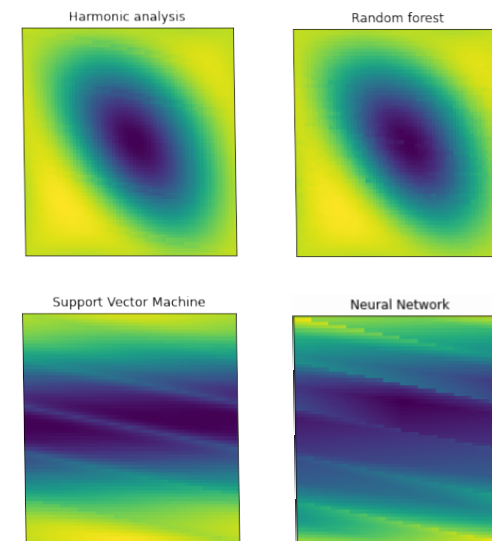
Application 2: harmonic analysis

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
Harmonic analysis	0.02057
Random Forest	0.09336
Support Vector Machine	24.91
Neural Network	25.33

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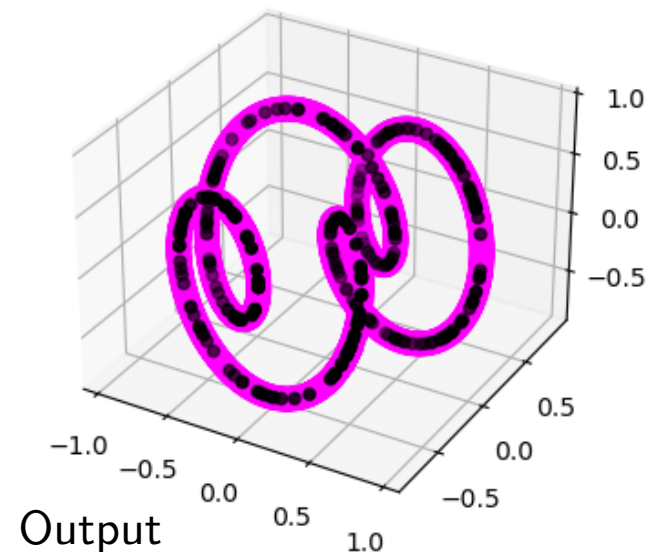
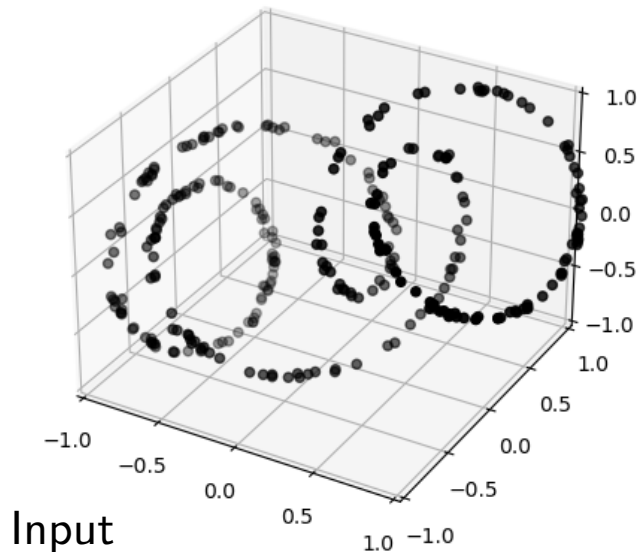
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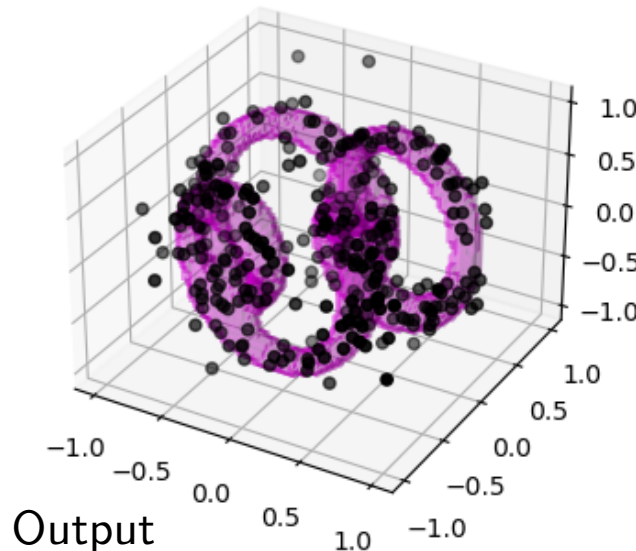
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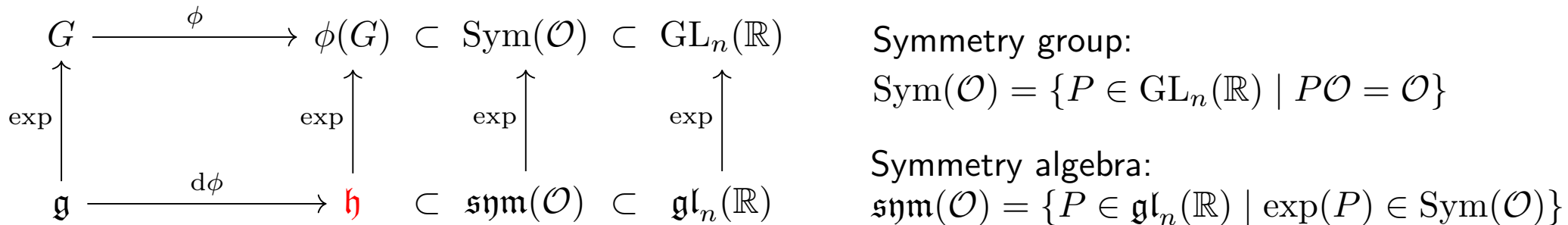
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Main idea: Estimate the pushforward Lie algebra $\mathfrak{h} = d\phi(\mathfrak{g})$ to deduce \mathcal{O} through

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

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



Step 1: Orthonormalization Apply dimension reduction and orthonormalization.

Step 2: Lie-PCA Diagonalize the Lie-PCA operator $\Lambda: M_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R})$.

Step 3: Closest Lie algebra Estimate $\hat{\mathfrak{h}}$ through an optimization program over $O(n)$.

Step 4: Generate the orbit Deduce $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x = \exp(\hat{\mathfrak{h}}) \cdot x$ and check that it is close to X .

Step 1: Orthonormalization

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

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

i.e., such that \mathcal{O} lies in a sphere of a certain radius.

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 the **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 Principal Component Analysis to X .

Let ϵ 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 ϵ . 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/extrinsic symmetries: For a Riemannian manifold \mathcal{M} isometrically embedded in \mathbb{R}^n ,

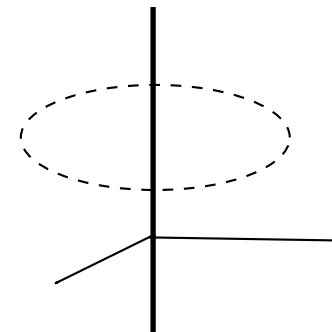
- $\text{Isom}(\mathcal{M})$: the set of diffeomorphisms $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ that preserve the metric,
- $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{M}) = \{P \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid P\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}\}$.

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.



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

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

Example: Eigenvalues of Λ on the sample X of $\mathcal{O} = \{(\cos t, \sin t, \cos 4t, \sin 4t) \mid t \in [0, 2\pi)\}$:

0.001, 0.102, 0.109, 0.112, 0.135, 0.145, 0.156, 0.212,
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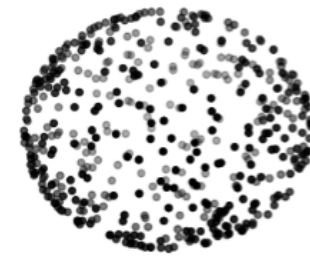
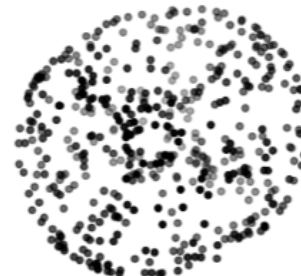
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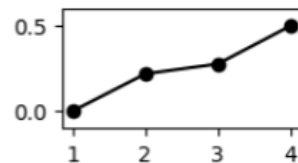
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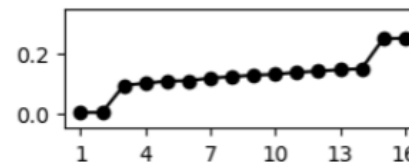


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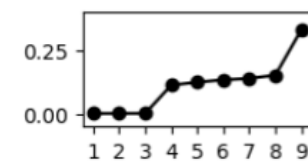
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Derivation of Lie-PCA: Based on the fact that

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

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

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

Step 3: Closest Lie algebra

We will suppose that $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{O}) \simeq G$ (hence $\mathfrak{sym}(\mathcal{O}) = \mathfrak{h}$). 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 $d = \dim G$ bottom eigenvectors of Λ .

But:

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

(2) $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$ may not be a Lie algebra derived from G :

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

Solution: Project $\langle A_1, \dots, A_d \rangle$ to the closest Lie algebra derived from G

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

- where
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Step 4: Generate the orbit

We have calculated a representation $\hat{\phi}: G \rightarrow \text{SO}(n)$ and pushforward Lie algebra $\hat{\mathfrak{h}}$.

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

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

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 δ is a Lipschitz constant for $\hat{\phi}$.

Hausdorff distance: As a sanity check, we compute the one-sided Hausdorff distance

$$d_{\text{H}}(X \mid \hat{\mathcal{O}}_x).$$

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

$$\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i}} \quad \text{with } \mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i}} \text{ uniform measure on } \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_i} \\ \text{(pushforward of Haar measure on } G)$$

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

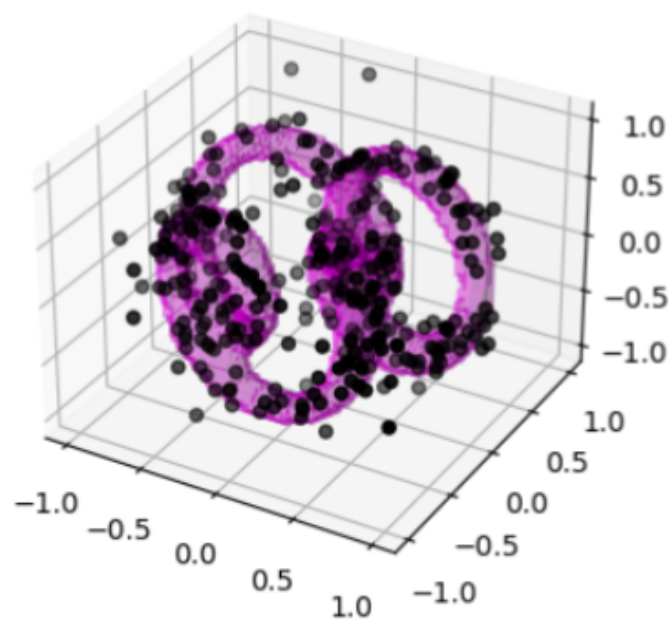
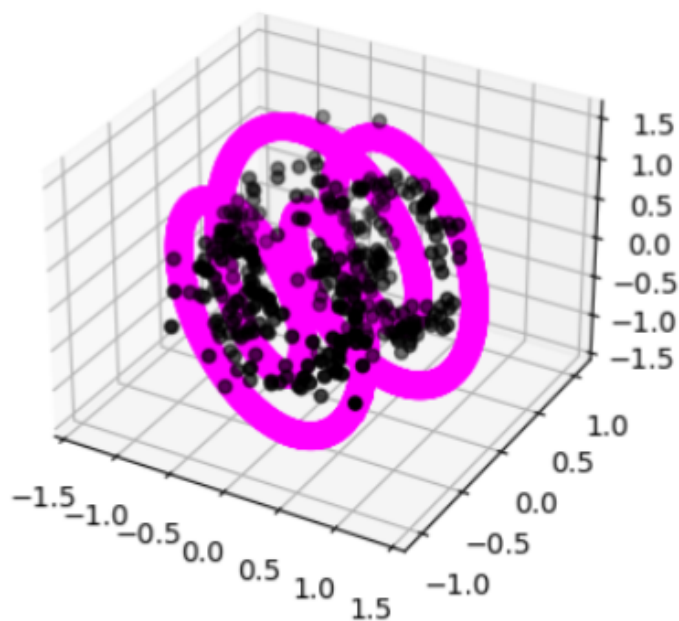
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to which we add an additive Gaussian noise ($\sigma = 0.03$) and 30 points uniformly in $[-1, 1]^4$.

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 $f^{-1}([0.5, +\infty))$.

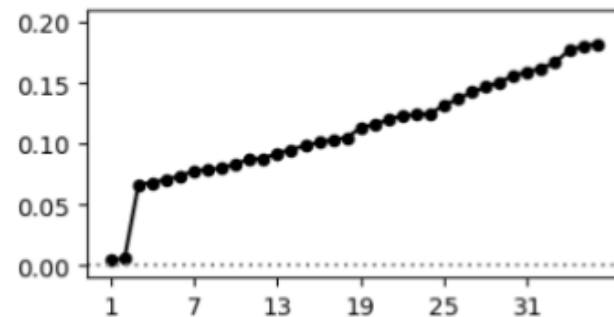
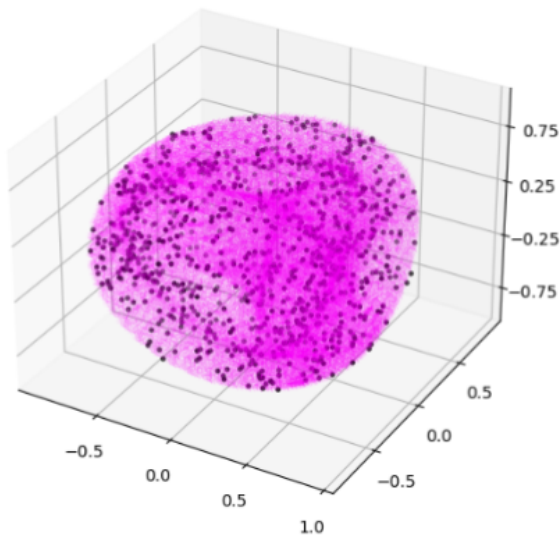
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Rep of T^2 in \mathbb{R}^6 : Let X be a uniform 750-sample of an orbit of the representation $\phi_{(1,1)} \oplus \phi_{(1,2)} \oplus \phi_{(2,1)}$ of the torus T^2 in \mathbb{R}^6 .

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 $\phi_{(0,2)} \oplus \phi_{(1,-2)} \oplus \phi_{(1,1)}$.
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Eigenvalues of Lie-PCA operator

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This is a case where $\dim G < \dim \text{Sym}(\mathcal{O})$.

1. Lie theory
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μ measure on \mathbb{R}^n . E.g., μ_X empirical measure on X

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

Measure-theoretic point of view

Why working with Wasserstein and not Hausdorff?

- Natural formalism for Lie groups (averaging with the Haar measure)
- Allows noise and anomalous points
- Local PCA is not stable in Hausdorff

Remark: We aim for an explicit bound $W_2(\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}_x}, \mu_{\mathcal{O}}) \leq W_2(\mu, \mu_{\mathcal{O}})$. This is different from other statistical formalisms. In particular, no law of large numbers / concentration.

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Theorem: Let G be a compact Lie group of dimension d , \mathcal{O} an orbit of an almost-faithful representation $\phi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, potentially non-orthogonal, and l its dimension. Let $\mu_{\mathcal{O}}$ be the uniform measure on \mathcal{O} , and $\mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$ that on the orthonormalized orbit.

Besides, let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a finite point cloud and μ_X its empirical measure. Let $\hat{\phi}, \hat{h}$ and $\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}$ be the output of the algorithm. Under technical assumptions, it holds that $\hat{\phi}$ is equivalent to ϕ , and

$$\|\Pi[\hat{h}] - \Pi[\text{sym}(\mathcal{O})]\|_{\text{F}} \leq 9d \frac{\rho}{\lambda} \left(r + 4 \left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

$$W_2(\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}, \mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{W_2(\mu_X, \mu_{\mathcal{O}})}{\sigma_{\min}} + 3\sqrt{dn} \left(\frac{\rho}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} \left(r + 4 \left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right)^{1/2}$$

where

- $\rho = \left(16l(l+2)6^l \right) \frac{\max(\text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}), \text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})^{-1})}{\min(1, \text{reach}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}))}$
- $\sigma_{\max}^2, \sigma_{\min}^2$ the top and bottom nonzero eigenvalues of the covariance matrix $\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}]$
- $\tilde{\omega} = 4(n+1)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\max}^3}{\sigma_{\min}^3} \right) \left(\omega(v + \omega) \right)^{1/2}$ with $\omega = \frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \mu_X)}{\sigma_{\min}}$ and $v = \left(\frac{\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]}{\sigma_{\min}^2} \right)^{1/2}$
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Theorem: Let G be a compact Lie group of dimension d , \mathcal{O} an orbit of an almost-faithful representation $\phi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, potentially non-orthogonal, and l its dimension. Let $\mu_{\mathcal{O}}$ be the uniform measure on \mathcal{O} , and $\mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$ that on the orthonormalized orbit.

Besides, let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a finite point cloud and μ_X its empirical measure. Let $\hat{\phi}, \hat{h}$ and $\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}$ be the output of the algorithm. Under technical assumptions, it holds that $\hat{\phi}$ is equivalent to ϕ , and

$$\|\Pi[\hat{h}] - \Pi[\text{sym}(\mathcal{O})]\|_F \leq 9d \frac{\rho}{\lambda} \left(r + 4 \left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

bias-variance trade-off when estimating tangent spaces

$$W_2(\mu_{\hat{\mathcal{O}}}, \mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{W_2(\mu_X, \mu_{\mathcal{O}})}{\sigma_{\min}} + 3\sqrt{dn} \left(\frac{\rho}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} \left(r + 4 \left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right)^{1/2}$$

where

- $\rho = \left(16l(l+2)6^l \right) \frac{\max(\text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}), \text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})^{-1})}{\min(1, \text{reach}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}))} \lesssim \left(r + \left(\frac{W_2(\mu_X, \mu_{\mathcal{O}})^{1/2}}{r^{l+1}} \right)^{1/2} \right)^{1/2}$
- $\sigma_{\max}^2, \sigma_{\min}^2$ the top and bottom nonzero eigenvalues of the covariance matrix $\Sigma[\mu_{\mathcal{O}}]$
- $\tilde{\omega} = 4(n+1)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\max}^3}{\sigma_{\min}^3} \right) \left(\omega(v + \omega) \right)^{1/2}$ with $\omega = \frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \mu_X)}{\sigma_{\min}}$ and $v = \left(\frac{\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]}{\sigma_{\min}^2} \right)^{1/2}$
- r is the radius of local PCA (estimation of tangent spaces)
- λ the bottom nonzero eigenvalue of the ideal Lie-PCA operator $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$

Robustness

Technical assumptions: Define the quantities

$$\omega = \frac{W_2(\mu_{\mathcal{O}}, \mu_X)}{\sigma_{\min}}, \quad v = \left(\frac{\mathbb{V}[\|\mu_{\mathcal{O}}\|]}{\sigma_{\min}^2} \right)^{1/2},$$

$$\tilde{\omega} = 4(n+1)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\max}^3}{\sigma_{\min}^3} \right) \left(\omega(v+\omega) \right)^{1/2}, \quad \rho = \left(16l(l+2)6^l \right) \frac{\max(\text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}), \text{vol}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})^{-1})}{\min(1, \text{reach}(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}))},$$

$$\gamma = (4(2d+1)\sqrt{2})^{-1} \cdot \lambda \cdot \Gamma(G, n, \omega_{\max}) \quad (\text{rigidity constant of Lie subalgebras})$$

Suppose that ω 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 ϵ 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 ω_{\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 ϕ 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 ϕ 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 ν 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 ϵ .

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 δ_n and δ'_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 μ 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 , $x \in \mathcal{M}$, ν 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

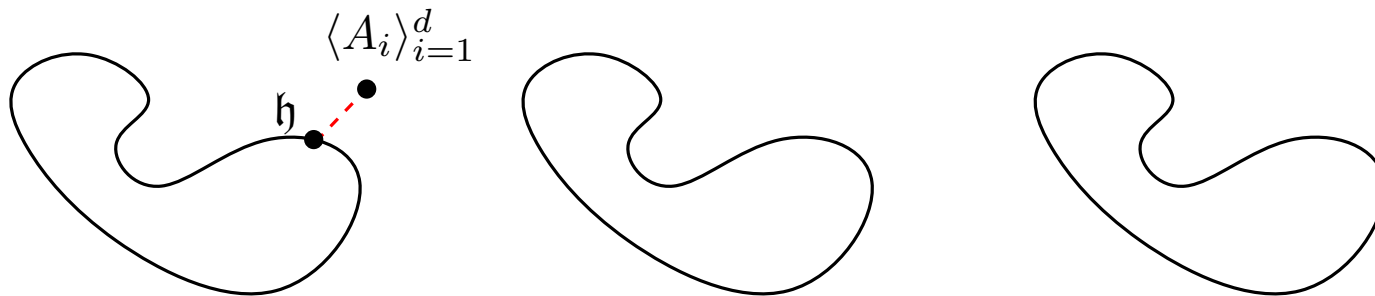
In Step 3, we consider the bottom eigenvectors A_1, \dots, A_d of Lie-PCA, and solve

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

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 ω_{\max} . Then its rigidity satisfies

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

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Conclusion

- First algorithm to find the **representation type** (not only a subspace close to the Lie algebra)
- Implementation for $G = SO(2)$, T^d , $SO(3)$ and $SU(2)$
- Can be adapted to other compact Lie group provided an explicit description of its irreps
- Experiments on image analysis, harmonic analysis and physical systems at <https://github.com/HLovisiEnnes/LieDetect>

Limitations:

- Optimizations over $O(n)$ are computationally expansive and instable
- The algorithm do not handle entangled orbits
- Restricted to **representations** of Lie groups

Next goals:

- Detections of **actions** via the induced representation on space of vector fields
- Group Equivariant Convolutional Networks

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \text{Diff}(\mathcal{M}) \\ \uparrow \text{exp} & & \uparrow \text{exp} \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{d\phi} & \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{M}) \end{array}$$

