Geodesic equations and shooting algorithms for matching and template estimation

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Finite dimensional setting for LDDMM

We come back to the LDDMM theory (following talk 1)

• In a discrete setting, shapes are often parametrized by a finite number of points (e.g. for curves or surface meshes : the vertices). So we consider data attachment terms which depend only on the final positions $\varphi_1^v(x_i)$: $A(\varphi_1^v) = \tilde{A}((\varphi_1^v(x_i))_{1 \le i \le n})$



• Denote $q_i(t) = \varphi_t^v(x_i)$ the trajectories of points x_i through the flow. The optimal vector fields must correspond at each time t to the optimal interpolation of vector $\dot{q}_i(t)$ at positions $q_i(t)$.

Finite dimensional setting for LDDMM

• \Rightarrow at each time step t, the optimal vector fields depends on a finite number of vectors $p_i(t)$:

$$v_t(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n K_V(x, q_i(t)) p_i(t), \text{ with } K_V(q(t), q(t)) p(t) = \dot{q}(t)$$

We call the $p_i(t)$ momentum vectors.

• Moreover, using the reproducing formula, we get

$$\|v_t\|_V^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \langle p_j(t), K_V(q_j(t), q_i(t)) p_i(t) \rangle$$

or with matrix notations : $||v_t||_V^2 = p(t)^T K_V(q(t), q(t))p(t)$.

• Now since $\dot{q}(t) = K_V(q(t),q(t))p(t)$ (flow equation), we get also

$$||v_t||_V^2 = \dot{q}(t)^T K_V(q(t), q(t))^{-1} \dot{q}(t).$$

• $\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \|v_t\|_V^2 dt$ corresponds to the energy E(q) of the path q(t) for the Riemannian metric given by matrix $K_V(q(t), q(t))^{-1}$.

Define

$$\mathcal{L}_n(\mathbb{R}^d) = \{ q = (q_1, \dots, q_n) \in (\mathbb{R}^d)^n, \ q_i \neq q_j, \ \forall i \neq j \}.$$

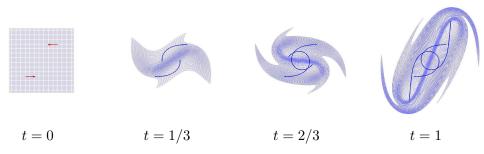
- $\mathcal{L}_n(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is a manifold as open set of $(\mathbb{R}^d)^n$.
- Consider on $\mathcal{L}_n(\mathbb{R}^d)$ the Riemannian metric whose matrix in the canonical coordinates is $K_V(q,q)^{-1}$.
- Optimal solution for matching problems correspond to geodesics in landmark space.
- We can derive the geodesic equations and use them in algorithms for optimizing matching problems.

The landmark manifold

• Geodesic equations can be written in Hamiltonian form :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{p} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_q \left\langle K_V(q, q) p, p \right\rangle \\ \dot{q} = K_V(q, q) p. \end{cases}$$

• Here is an example of solution : initial conditions are $q_1(0) = (0,0), q_2(0) = (1,1), p_1(0) = (1,0), p_2(0) = (-1,0),$ kernel is $K_V(x,y) = exp(-||x-y||^2/\sigma^2)$ id with $\sigma = 1$.



Back to the matching functional

• For a matching functional the optimal trajectories must follow geodesics. So the optimal vector fields v_t depend only on the initial momentum vectors p(0). So we rewrite the functional as

$$J(p(0)) = \gamma \langle K_V(q(0), q(0))p(0), p(0) \rangle + A(q(1))$$

where $p(t) \mbox{ and } q(t)$ are constrained to follow the geodesic equations.

• The gradient of this functional writes

$$\nabla J(p(0)) = 2\gamma K_V(q(0), q(0))p(0) + \left(\frac{\partial q(1)}{\partial p(0)}\right)^T \nabla A(q(1))$$

The only difficult part is of course to compute $\left(\frac{\partial q(1)}{\partial p(0)}\right)^T$. This requires to differentiate the geodesic equations.

We have that

$$\left(\frac{\partial q(1)}{\partial p(0)}\right)^T \nabla A(q(1)) = \beta_p(0)$$

where $\beta(t) = (\beta_p(t), \beta_q(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^{dn} \times \mathbb{R}^{dn}$ is solution to the following adjoint equations :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\beta}_p = \partial_q (K_V(q,q)p)\beta_p - K_V(q,q)\beta_q \\ \dot{\beta}_q = \frac{1}{2}\partial_q^2 \langle K_V(q,q)p, p \rangle \beta_p - (\partial_q (K_V(q,q)p)^T\beta_q) \end{cases}$$

with initial condition $\beta(1) = (0, \nabla A(q(1))).$