## Gromov-Hausdorff stable signatures for shapes using persistence

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## Goal

- Shape discrimination is a very important problem in several fields.
- Isometry invariant shape discrimination has been approached with different tools, mostly via computation and comparison of invariant signatures, [HK03,Osada-02,Fro90,SC-00].
- The Gromov-Hausdorff distance (and certain variants) provides a rigorous and well motivated framework for studying shape matching under invariances [MS04,MS05,M07,M08].
- However, its direct computation leads to NP hard problems (BQAP: bottleneck quadratic assignment problems).

- Most of the effort has gone into finding lower bounds for the GH distance that use informative invariant signatures and lead to easier optimization problems [M07,M08].
- Using persistent topology [ELZ00], we obtain a new family of signatures and prove that they are stable w.r.t the GH distance: i.e., we obtain lower bounds for the GH distance!
- These lower bounds:
- perform very well in practical application of shape discrimination.
- lead to BAPs (bottleneck assignment problems) which can be solved in polynomial time.


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## Construction of our signatures

- Our signatures take the form of persistence diagrams: we capture certain topological and metric information from the shape.
- First example: construction based on Rips filtrations: Let $\left(X, d_{X}\right)$ be a shape.
- Let $K_{d}(X)$ be the $d$-dimensional full simplicial complex on $X$.
- To each $\sigma=\left[x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}\right] \in K_{d}(X)$ assign its filtration time

$$
F(\sigma):=\frac{1}{2} \max _{i, j} d_{X}\left(x_{i}, x_{j}\right)
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- This gives rise to a filtration $\left(K_{d}(X), F\right)$.
- Apply persistence algorithm [ELZ00] to summarize topological information in the filtration and obtain persistence diagram.
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## Our signatures: more richness

- Let's assume that in there is also a function defined on the shape: $\left(X, d_{X}, f_{X}\right)$. Then, we redefine the filtration values of $\sigma=\left[x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}\right]$

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- Again, this gives rise to a filtration: $\left(K_{d}(X), F\right) \Longrightarrow$ use persistence algorithm to obtain a persistence diagram.
- This increases discrimination power!
- We denote by $\mathcal{H}$ a family of maps that attach a function to a given finite metric space.
- Then, for each $h \in \mathcal{H}$, we denote by $D_{h}(X)$ the persistence diagram arising from the filtration above. This constitutes our family projection onto $\mathcal{D}$.

Example (Eccentricity). To each finite metric space ( $X, d_{X}$ ) one can assign the eccentricity function:

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\operatorname{ecc}_{X}(x)=\max _{x^{\prime} \in X} d_{X}\left(x, x^{\prime}\right)
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## Remark.

- Proof relies on properties of the GH distance and new results on the stability of persistence diagrams [CCGGOo9].
- For a given $h$, the computation leads to a $\boldsymbol{B A P}$ which can be solved in polynomial time.
- There are adaptations one can do in practice to speed up, see paper.
- One can obtain more generality and discrimination power by working in the class of $m m$-spaces: shapes are represented as triples $\left(X, d_{X}, \mu_{X}\right)$ where $\mu_{X}$ are weights assigned to each point see [M07] and paper.
- Our results include stability of Rips persistence diagrams.


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- Subsampled shapes and retained subsets of 300 points (farthest point sampling). Normalized distance matrices.
- Used the mm-space representation of shapes: weights were based on Voronoi regions.
- Used several functions $\pm \lambda \cdot h$ for $\lambda$ in a finite subset of scales.
- Obtained $4 \%$ (or $2 \%$ ) classification error in a 1-nn classification problem.



## Discussion

- Summary of our proposal:
- Use the metric (or mm-space) representation of shapes.
- Formulate the shape matching problem using the Gromov-Hausdorff distance.
- Compute our signatures for shapes.
- Solve the BAP lower bounds: computationally easy! By our theorem, the computed quantities give lower bounds for the GH distance.
- Implications and Future directions:
- We do not need a mesh- general: can be applied to any dataset.
- We obtain stability of Rips persistence diagrams.
- Richness of the family $\mathcal{H}$ ? how close can I get to the GH distance?
- Local signatures: more discrimination.
- Extension to partial shape matching: which (local) signatures are useful for this?


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Let $X_{1}, X_{2} \subset Z$ be two different samples of the same shape $Z$, and $Y$ another shape then

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\left|d_{\mathcal{G H}}\left(X_{1}, Y\right)-d_{\mathcal{G H}}\left(X_{2}, Y\right)\right| \leqslant d_{\mathcal{G H}}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) \leqslant r_{1}+r_{2}
$$

