

# A Second Order Non-smooth Variational Model for Restoring Manifold-valued Images

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# Restoring Images: Denoising and Inpainting

Introducing discrete total variation models for real valued data.

- given noisy image  $f: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{G} = \{1, \dots, N\} \times \{1, \dots, M\}$
- reconstruct original image  $u_0: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- pixel from  $\mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{V}$  have to be inpainted
- approach: Minimize variational model

$$\mathcal{E}(u) := \underbrace{F(f, u)}_{\text{data term}} + \underbrace{\alpha R(u)}_{\text{regularization term}}, \quad \alpha > 0$$

- first order models (total variation, TV) [Rudin, Osher, Fatemi, 1992]
  - isotropic model with discrete gradient  $|\nabla u|$ :  $R_{\text{iso}}(u) := \sum_{i,j} |\nabla u|$
  - anisotropic model:  $R_{\text{aniso}}(u) := \sum_{i,j} (|u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j}| + |u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}|)$
  - edge preserving
- several higher order variational models avoid **stair casing effect**

[Chambolle, Lions, 1997; Setzer, Steidl, 2008; Bredies, Kunisch, Pock, 2010; Papafitsoros, Schönlieb, 2014]

# Restoring Images with Values in Riemannian Manifolds

Here:

Images with pixel values in a Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$

Goal: A Second Order Model for images  $f: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$

Applications with manifold-valued images are for example

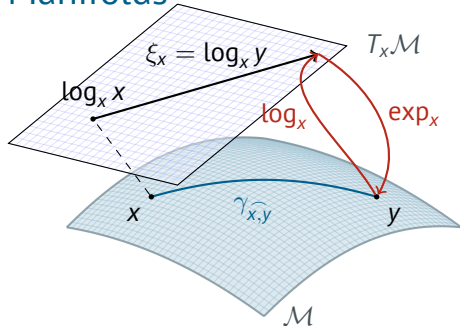
$\mathbb{S}^1$  InSAR, HSI(HSV) color space, phase space

$\mathbb{S}^2$  directions, chromaticity-brightness colorspace

$SO(3)$  orientations, electron backscattered diffraction

$\mathcal{P}(s)$  DT-MRI, covariance matrices

# Riemannian Manifolds



A  $d$ -dimensional manifold can be informally defined as a set  $\mathcal{M}$  covered with a “suitable” collection of charts, that identify subsets of  $\mathcal{M}$  with open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

[Absil, Mahony, Sepulchre, 2008]

geodesic  $\gamma_{\widehat{x,y}}$  shortest path (on  $\mathcal{M}$ ) connecting  $x, y \in \mathcal{M}$ .

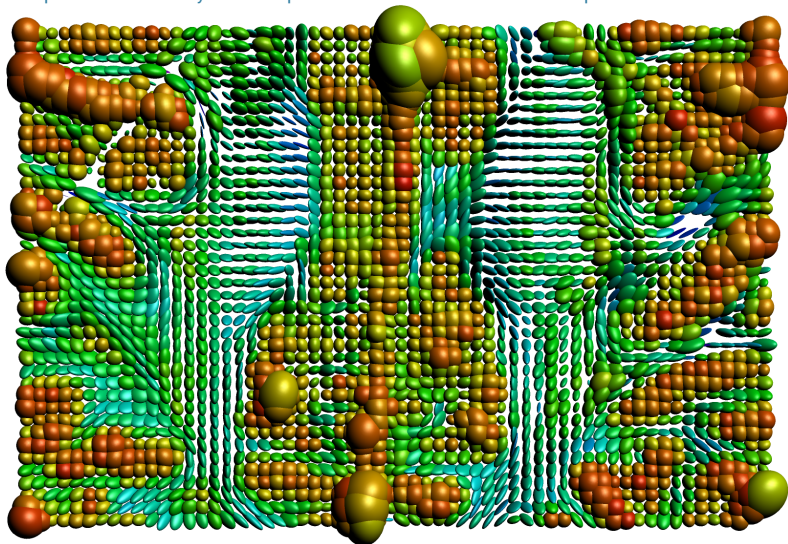
tangential plane  $T_x \mathcal{M}$  at  $x$

logarithmic map  $\log_x y = \dot{\gamma}_{\widehat{x,y}}(0)$ , “velocity towards  $y$ ”

exponential map  $\exp_x \xi_x = \gamma(1)$  of geodesic  $\gamma$  with  $\gamma(0) = x, \dot{\gamma}(0) = \xi_x$

# Symmetric Positive Definite Matrices $A$ , $x^T A x > 0$

$\mathcal{P}(3)$ : each pixel is a  $3 \times 3$  symmetric positive definite matrix or an ellipsoid



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# First and Second Order Differences

Let's restrict ourselves to signals for now...

$$\mathcal{G} = \{1, \dots, N\}, \mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{G}$$

On  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- line  $\gamma(t) = x + t(y - x)$
- distance  $\|x - y\|_2$
- first order model

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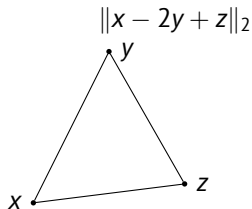
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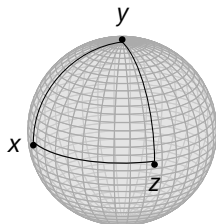
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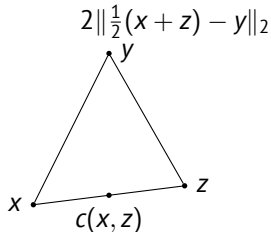
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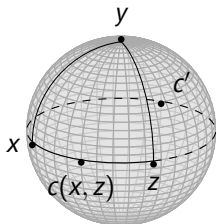
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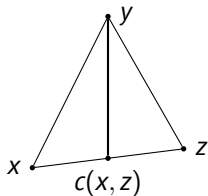
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$2\|c(x, z) - y\|_2$ ,  $c(x, y)$ : mid point



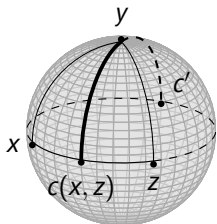
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For images additionally: use  $\|w - x + y - z\|_2 = 2\|\frac{1}{2}(w + y) - \frac{1}{2}(x + z)\|_2$  for **Absolute Second Order Mixed Difference**

$$d_{1,1}(w, x, y, z) := \min_{c \in \mathcal{C}_{w,y}, \tilde{c} \in \mathcal{C}_{x,z}} d(c, \tilde{c}), \quad w, x, y, z \in \mathcal{M}.$$

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# Proximal Mappings and the CPPA

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To compute a minimizer of  $\mathcal{E}(u)$ : **proximal mappings**

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[Moreau, 1965; Rockafellar, 1976; Ferreira, Oliveira, 2002]

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For  $\varphi = \sum_{l=1}^c \varphi_l$  use **Cyclic Proximal Point Algorithm (CPPA)** [Bertsekas, 2011; Bačák, 2014]

$$x^{(k+\frac{l+1}{c})} = \text{prox}_{\lambda_k \varphi_l}(x^{(k+\frac{l}{c})}), \quad i = 0, \dots, c-1, k > 0$$

For **real-valued data**: Converges to a minimizer if  $\{\lambda_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_2(\mathbb{Z}) \setminus \ell_1(\mathbb{Z})$ .

# Minimizing the Second Order Model

Applying the CPPA to our model on manifolds.

To minimize

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take each summand as one  $\varphi_l$  in the CPPA.

Parallelization yields  $c = 6$  (1D) or  $c = 15$  (2D incl. mixed differences)

For the involved proximal maps we have

- $\varphi(u_i) = d(f_i, u_i)^2$ : analytical solution [Ferreira, Oliveira, 2002]
- $\varphi(u_i, u_{i+1}) = d(u_i, u_{i+1})$ : analytical solution [Weinmann, Storch, Demaret, 2014]
- $\varphi(u_{i-1}, u_i, u_{i+1}) = d_2(u_{i-1}, u_i, u_{i+1})$ :
  - analytical solution for  $\mathbb{S}^1$  [RB, Laus, Steidl, Weinmann, 2014]
  - numerical solution otherwise [Bačák, RB, Steidl, Weinmann, 2016]



# Proximal Mapping of a Second Order Difference on $\mathcal{M}$

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$$\text{prox}_{\lambda d_2}(g) = \arg \min_{u \in \mathcal{M}^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^3 d(u_i, g_i)^2 + \lambda d_2(u_1, u_2, u_3) \right\}$$

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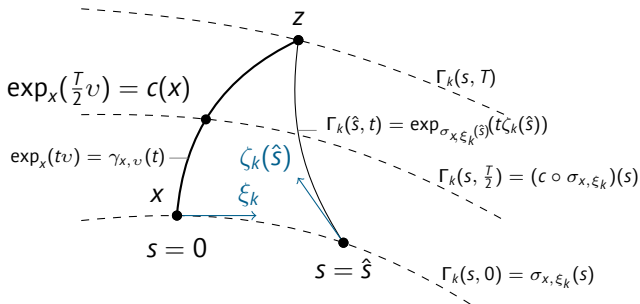
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# Geodesic Variation

How do small changes in  $x$  affect the geodesic?

- $\sigma_{x, \xi_k}(s)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $s \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ :  
curve starting in  $\sigma_{x, \xi_k}(0) = x$  with direction  $\sigma'_{x, \xi_k}(0) = \xi_k$
  - $\zeta_k(s)$ : direction in  $\sigma_{x, \xi_k}(s)$  towards  $z$ .
- ⇒ geodesic variation of the geodesic  $\gamma_{x, z}$

$$\Gamma_k(s, t) := \exp_{\sigma_{x, \xi_k}(s)}(t\zeta_k(s)), \quad s \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon), \quad t \in [0, T], \quad T = d(x, z)$$



# Jacobi Fields

Indicate directions of change along the geodesic and rephrase computation of the gradient to...

The Jacobi field  $J_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , along  $\gamma_{\widehat{x}, \widehat{z}}$  is defined by

$$J_k(t) := \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Gamma_k(s, t) \Big|_{s=0}, \quad t \in [0, T]$$

## Lemma

$$D_x c[\xi_k] = J_k\left(\frac{T}{2}\right)$$

## Lemma

A Jacobi field  $J_k$  fulfills the System of ODEs

$$\frac{D^2}{dt^2} J_k + R(J_k, \dot{\gamma}_{\widehat{x}, \widehat{z}}) \dot{\gamma}_{\widehat{x}, \widehat{z}} = 0, \quad J_k(0) = \xi_k, \quad J_k(T) = 0$$

with the Riemannian curvature tensor  $R: TM \times TM \times TM \rightarrow TM$ .

# Riemannian Symmetric Spaces

At least in beautiful Spaces we can solve the system of ODEs

- For every  $x \in \mathcal{M}$  exists an isometry  $s_x$  on  $\mathcal{M}$ , i.e.

$$s_x(x) = x, D_x s[\xi] = -\xi, \quad \text{for all } \xi \in T_x \mathcal{M}$$

- covariant derivative

$$\nabla R = 0$$

⇒ the system of ODEs simplifies to a **linear system of ODEs with constant coefficients**

- Examples of symmetric spaces
  - Spheres  $\mathbb{S}^n$
  - Hyperbolic Spaces
  - positive definite matrices  $\mathcal{P}(s)$
  - Grasmannians

*Riemannian symmetric spaces are the most beautiful and most important Riemannian manifolds.*

## The Derivative $D_x c[\xi_k]$ in Symmetric Spaces

Finally we are able to evaluate the Jacobi field at the mid point  $T/2$

Given a specific ONB  $\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n\}$  at  $t = 0$  and its parallel transport  $\{\Theta_1(t), \dots, \Theta_n(t)\}$  along the geodesic, i.e.

$$J_k(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{k,i}(t) \Theta_i(t).$$

### Corollary

With  $T = d(x, z)$  and  $\kappa_i$  “characterize curvature” we have for  $k = 1, \dots, n$

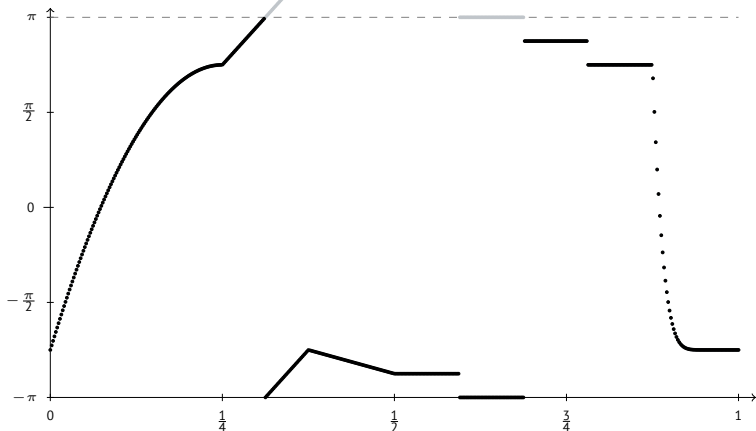
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$\Rightarrow$  Gradient descent to approximate the  $\text{prox}_{\lambda d_2}$  on  $\mathcal{M}^3$ .

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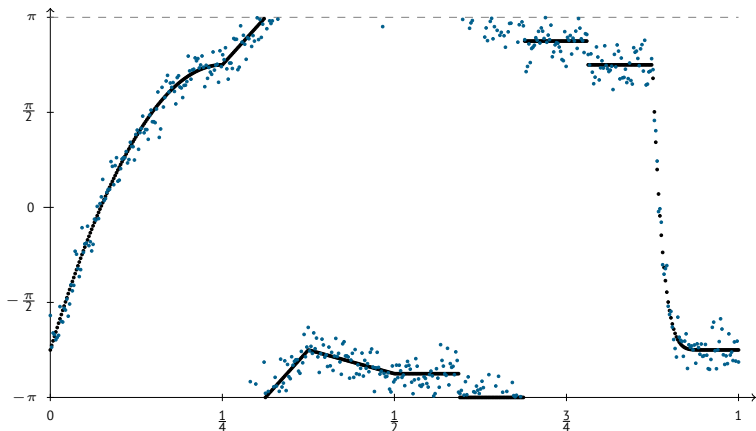


- function  $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$  sampled to obtain data  $f_o = (f_{o,i})_{i=1}^{500}$
- $f$  could be a wrapped version of the gray plot, hence
- jumps  $> \pi$  at  $\frac{5}{16}$  and  $\frac{11}{16}$  are due to the representation system



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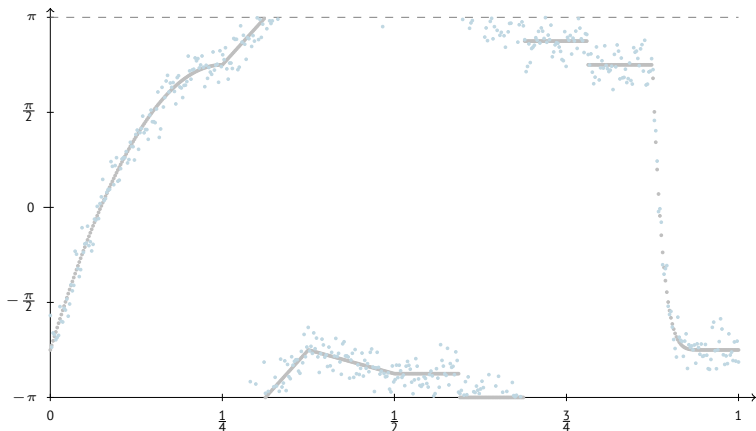
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- adding wrapped Gaussian noise,  $\sigma = 0.2$
- noisy data  $f_n = (f_0 + \eta)_{2\pi}$

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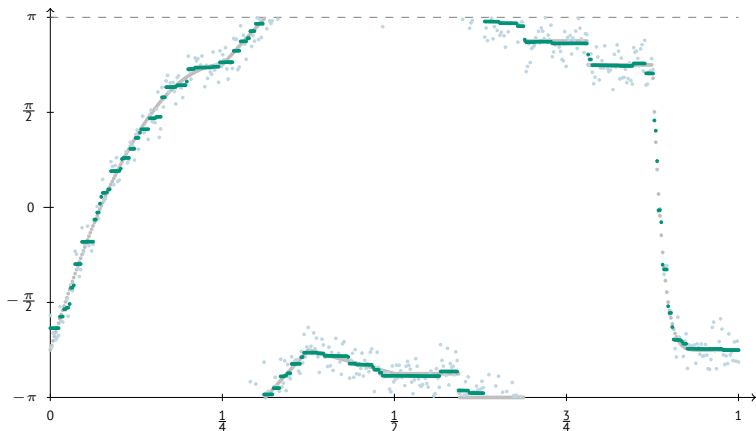
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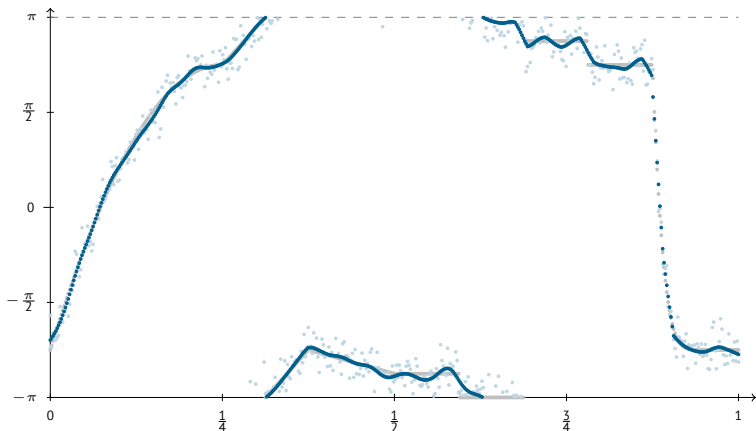
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- comparison of  $f_0$  &  $f_n$  with  $f_1$
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- but: stair casing

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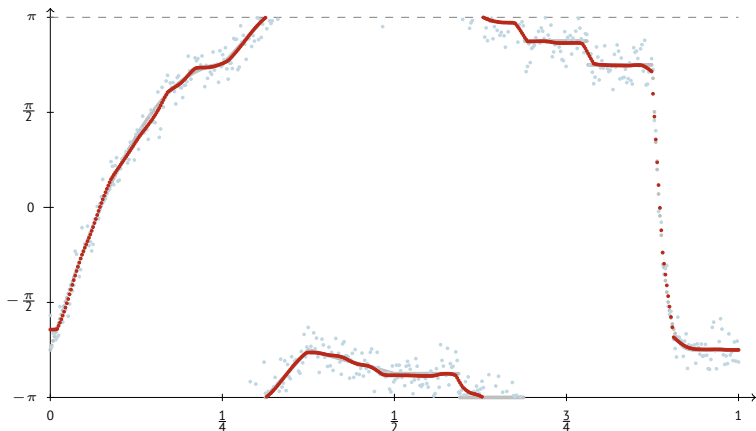
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- comparison of  $f_0$  &  $f_n$  with  $f_2$
- denoising  $TV_2$  ( $\alpha = 0, \beta = \frac{3}{2}$ )
- but: no plateaus

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Denoising a phase valued signal.



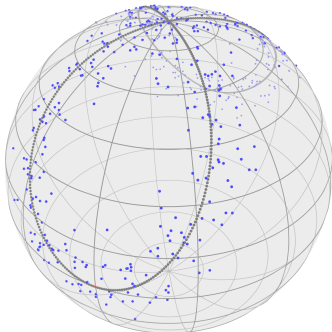
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- denoising  $TV_1$  &  $TV_2$  ( $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \beta = 1$ )
- smallest mean squared error

# Bernoulli's Lemniscate on the Sphere $\mathbb{S}^2$

$$\gamma(t) := \frac{a\sqrt{2}}{\sin^2(t) + 1} (\cos(t), \cos(t) \sin(t))^T, \quad t \in [0, 2\pi], a = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}.$$

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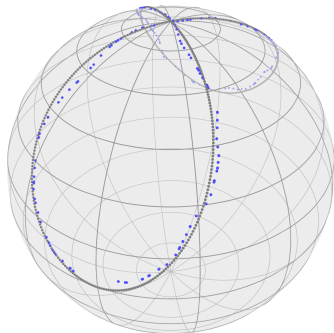
noisy lemniscate of Bernoulli on  $\mathbb{S}^2$ , Gaussian noise,  $\sigma = \frac{\pi}{30}$ , on  $T_p\mathbb{S}^2$ .

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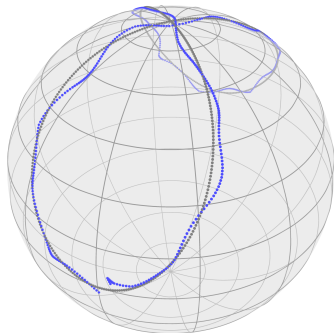
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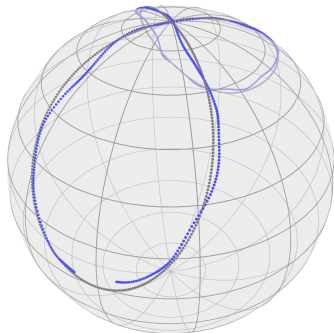


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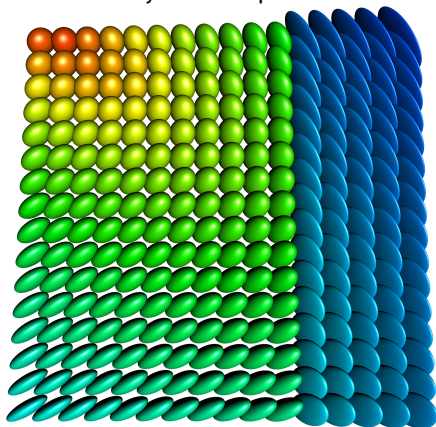
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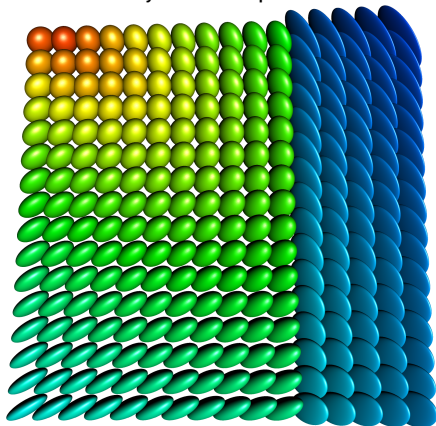
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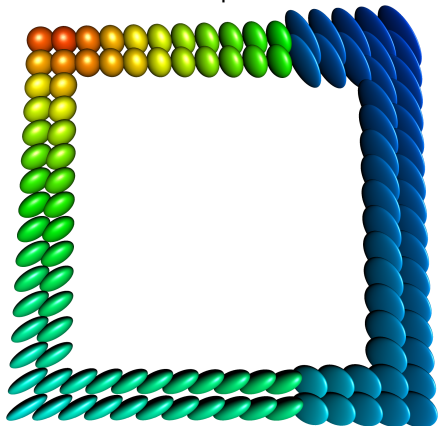
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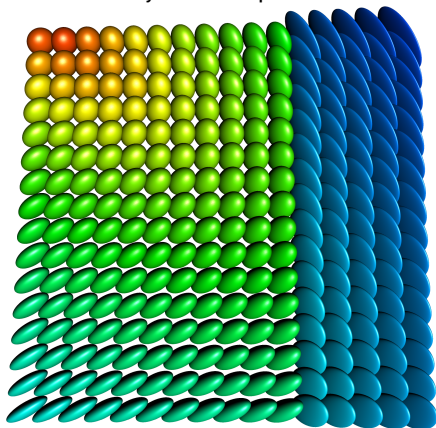
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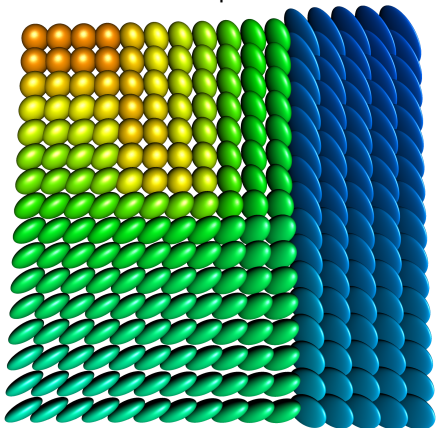
lost (a lot of) data

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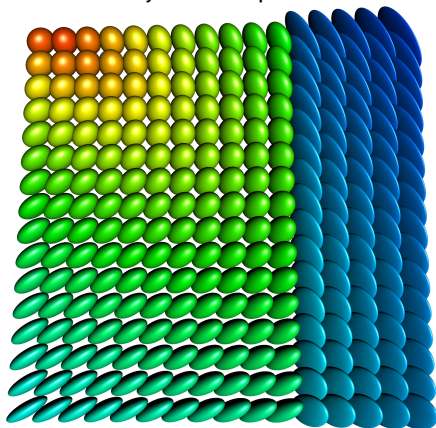
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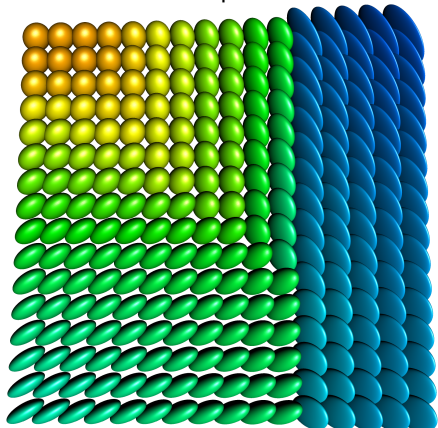
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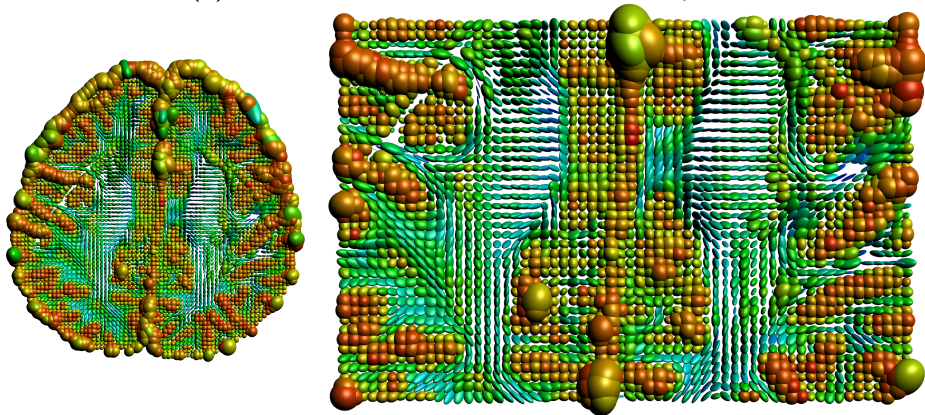
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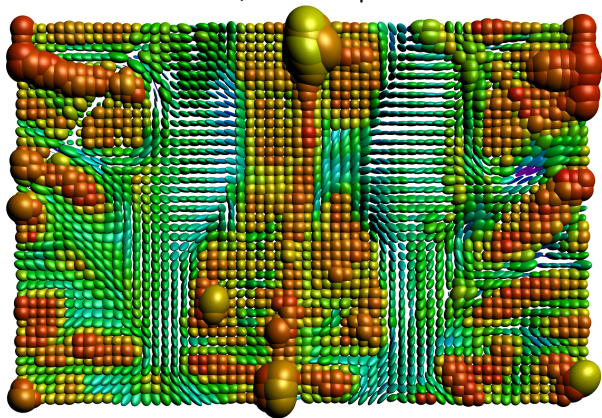
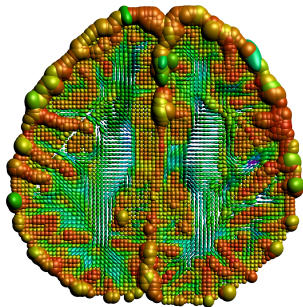


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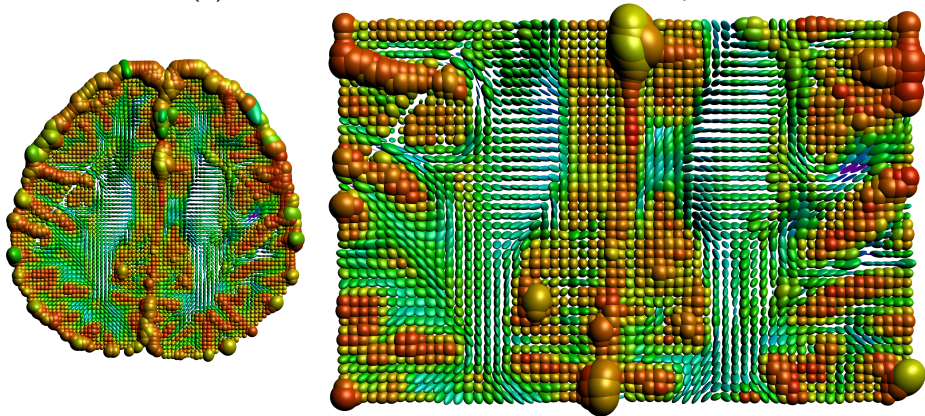
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## What's next?

For manifold-valued TV

- relax to Half-Quadratic Minimization [RB, Chan, Hielscher, Persch, Steidl, 2016]
- faster algorithm: Parallel Douglas-Rachford (J. Persch, CP2, 5:10pm)

Future work

- an isotropic second order TV, other couplings, algorithms, manifolds,...
- other image processing tasks for manifold-valued images

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