

# Multi-Frequency Vector Diffusion Maps

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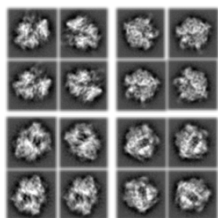
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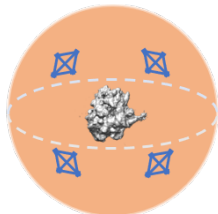
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# Motivation

Geometry of cryo-electron microscopy single particle images:



Projection images



Underlying views

Nonlinear dimensionality reduction:

- Locally linear embedding (LLE), ISOMAP, Hessian LLE, Laplacian eigenmaps, Diffusion maps (DM).
- Vector diffusion maps (VDM) generalizes diffusion maps (DM) to define heat kernels for vector fields on the manifold.

# Problem setup

- Given a dataset  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^l$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ :

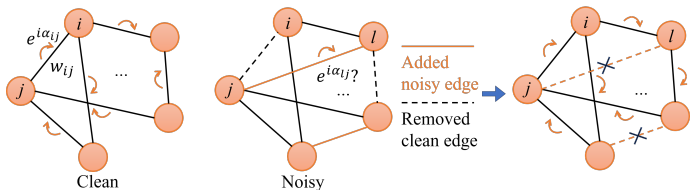
$$\mathcal{G}\text{-invariant distance: } d_{ij} = \min_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \|x_i - g \cdot x_j\|,$$

$$\text{optimal alignment: } g_{ij} = \arg \min_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \|x_i - g \cdot x_j\|.$$

- Data points lie on or close to a low-dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{X}$  and we define  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{X}/\mathcal{G}$ .
- Define **neighborhood graph based on the invariant distance**:  $G = (V, E)$  by  $(i, j) \in E \Leftrightarrow d_{ij} \leq \epsilon$ , with the associated alignment  $g_{ij} \in \mathcal{G}$ .
- In cryo-EM single particle images example,  $\mathcal{G} = \text{SO}(2)$ , which is the in-plane rotation within each image.

# Multi-frequency vector diffusion maps

- **Challenge:** Noisy data induces **inaccurate low-dimensional embedding**.
- **Goal:** Robustly learn the nonlinear geometrical structure of data from noisy measurements to improve nearest neighbor search and alignment.
- **Our work: Multi-frequency vector diffusion maps (MFVDM).**
  - 1 Extend VDM by using **multiple irreducible representation**.
  - 2 Achieve more accurate nearest neighbor identification and alignment.



# Multi-frequency vector diffusion maps

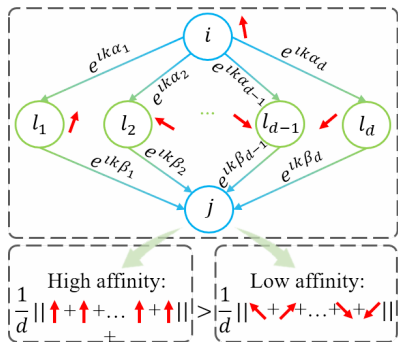
- Intuition:** For neighbor points in  $\mathcal{M}$ , the alignments should have **cycle consistency across multiple irreducible representations**, e.g., for neighbor nodes  $i, j$  and  $l$ , for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$k(\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{jl} + \alpha_{li}) \approx 0 \pmod{2\pi}.$$

- MFVDM builds a series of weight matrices  $W_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, k_{\max}$ :

$$W_k(i, j) = \begin{cases} w_{ij} e^{ik\alpha_{ij}} & (i, j) \in E, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Degree matrix } D(i, i) = \sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} w_{ij}.$$



## VDM for each frequency $k$

- Define the affinity matrix  $S_k$  for frequency  $k$ :

$$S_k = D^{-1/2} W_k D^{-1/2} = \sum_{l=1}^n \lambda_l^{(k)} u_l^{(k)}(i) \overline{u_l^{(k)}(j)}$$

with  $\lambda_1^{(k)} \geq \lambda_2^{(k)} \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n^{(k)}$ .

- The affinity between  $i$  and  $j$  is given as  $|S_k^{2t}(i, j)|$ .
- VDM mapping for frequency  $k$ :

$$\hat{V}_t^{(k)} : i \mapsto \left( \left( \lambda_l^{(k)} \lambda_r^{(k)} \right)^t \langle u_l^{(k)}(i), u_r^{(k)}(i) \rangle \right)_{l,r=1}^{m_k}.$$

We call this **frequency- $k$ -VDM**,  $m_k \ll n$  is a truncation parameter.

# Multi-frequency vector diffusion maps

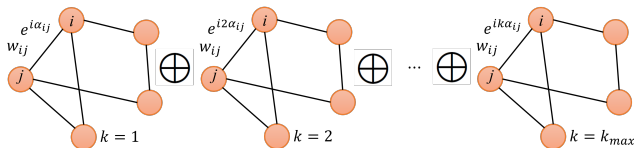
- **Multi-frequency vector diffusion maps:** Concatenate  $\hat{V}_t^{(k)}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, k_{\max}$ :

$$\hat{V}_t(i) : i \mapsto \left( \hat{V}_t^{(1)}(i); \hat{V}_t^{(2)}(i); \dots; \hat{V}_t^{(k_{\max})}(i) \right).$$

- **Multi-frequency vector diffusion distance:**

$$d_{\text{MFVDM},t}^2(i,j) = \left\| \frac{\hat{V}_t(i)}{\|\hat{V}_t(i)\|} - \frac{\hat{V}_t(j)}{\|\hat{V}_t(j)\|} \right\|_2^2.$$

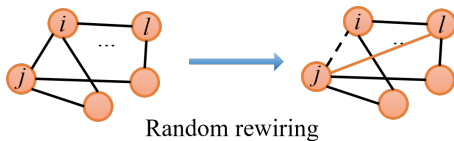
- Using multiple irreducible representation leads to a **highly robust measure of neighbor points on  $\mathcal{M}$** .



# Nearest neighbor identification & alignment

- Identify nearest neighbors based on  $d_{\text{MFVDM},t}^2(i,j)$ .
- Experiments: simulate  $n = 10^4$  on a 2-sphere, the group transformation  $\mathcal{G} = \text{SO}(2)$ . We connect each point with its 150 neighbors, optimal alignment has been pre-computed.
- Noise is added following the **random rewiring model**:

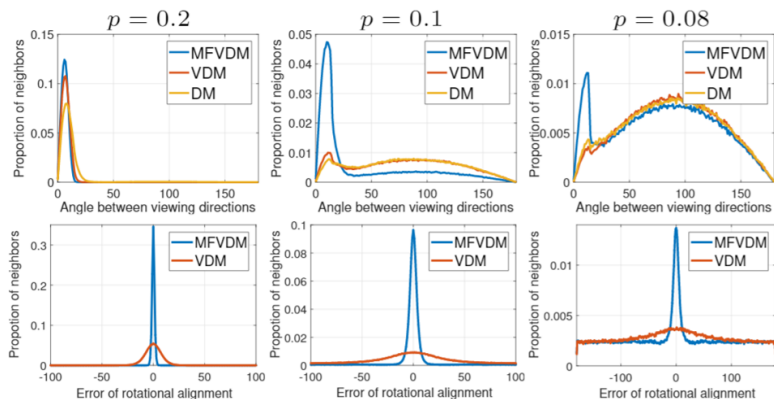
$$(i,j) \in E = \begin{cases} (i,j) & \text{with probability } p \\ (i,j) \rightarrow (i,l), \alpha_{il} \in \text{Unif}[0, 2\pi) & \text{with probability } 1 - p \end{cases}$$





# Nearest neighbor identification & rotational alignment

- Histograms of nearest neighbor identification accuracy (The histogram with more points close to 0 is better) and rotational alignment errors.
- MFVDM is very robust to noise.



# Thank you!

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- Our paper is available at:  
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