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A Statistical Manifold Framework for Point Cloud Data



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Point Cloud Data



3D point cloud data

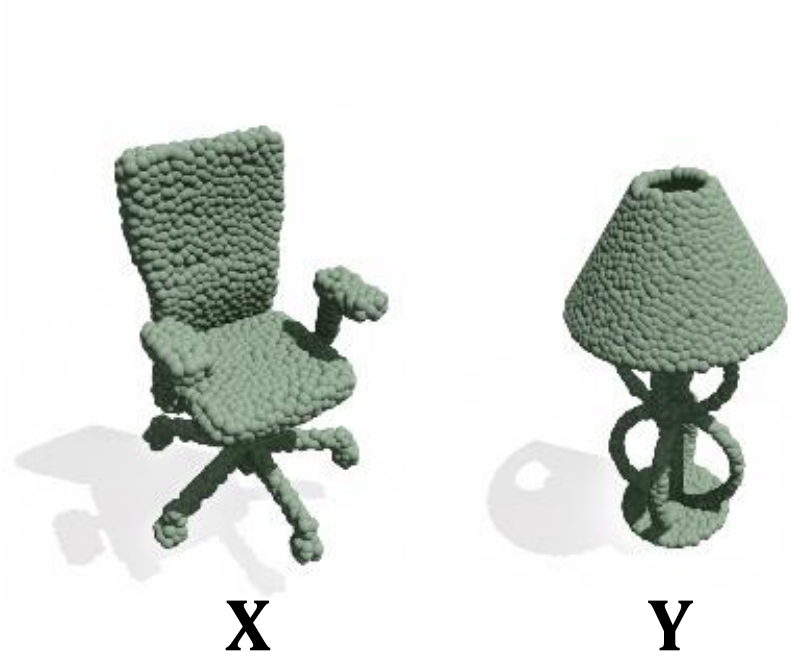
Point Cloud Data



Point cloud data is a set

$$\mathbf{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | x_i \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$$

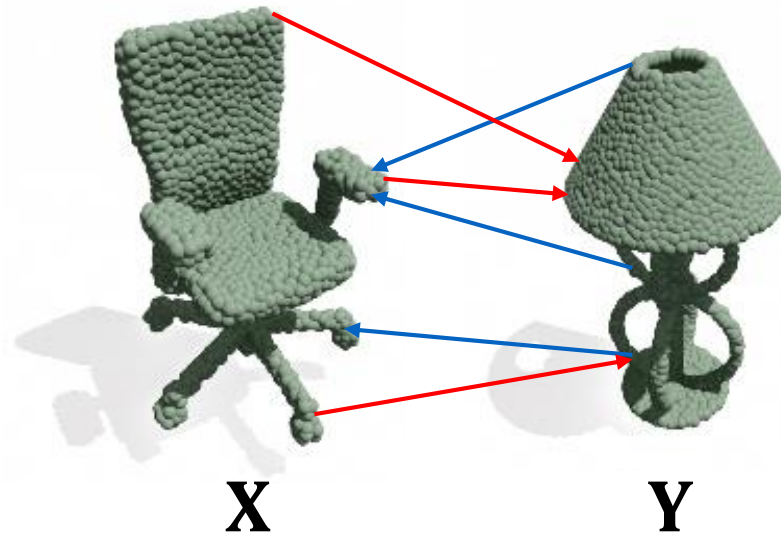
Point Cloud Distance Metric



Euclidean distance

$$d(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = ||\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}|| \text{ ?}$$

Point Cloud Distance Metric



Hausdorff distance

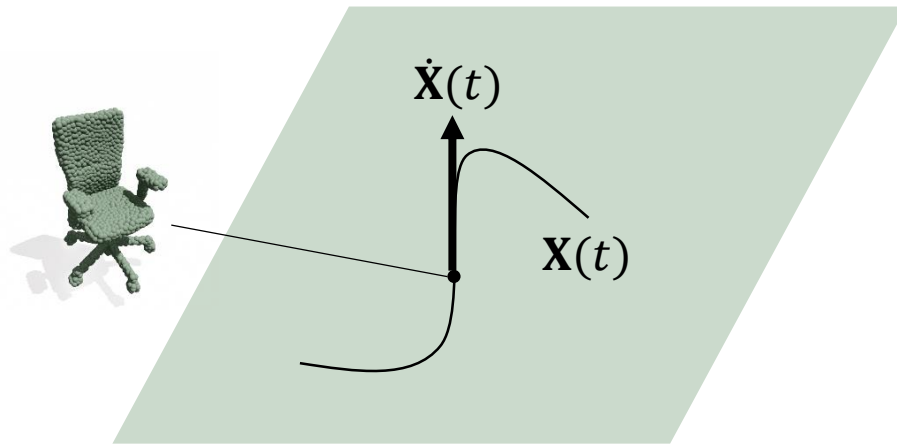
$$\max\left(\max_{x \in X} \left(\min_{y \in Y} \|x - y\|^2\right), \max_{y \in Y} \left(\min_{x \in X} \|x - y\|^2\right)\right)$$

More Advanced Geometric Concepts



How to measure quantities such as the **velocity and acceleration** of a moving point cloud?

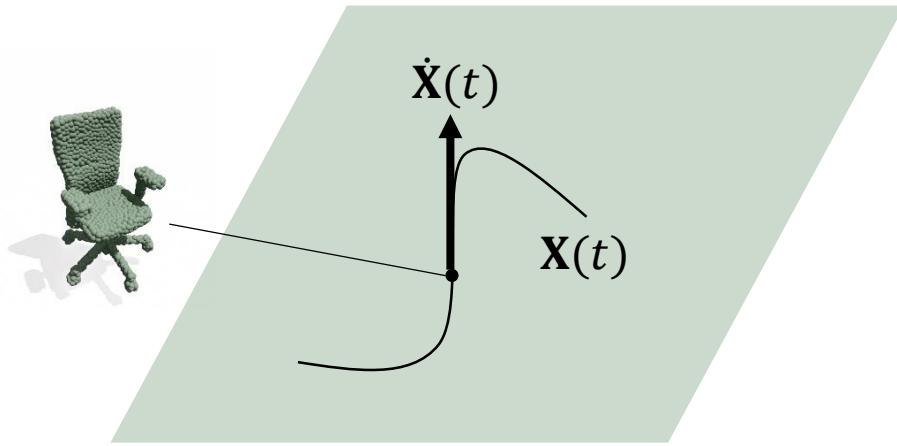
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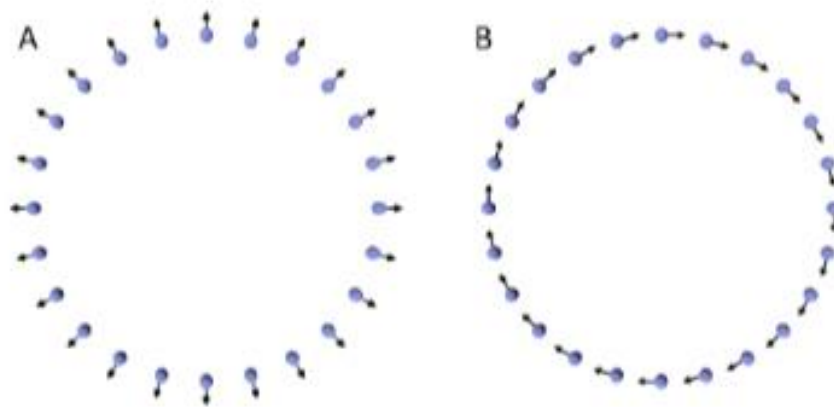
- For the following matrix representation

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ \vdots \\ x_n^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 3},$$

the Euclidean norm is written as

$$||\dot{\mathbf{X}}||^2 = \dot{X}^T \dot{X}.$$

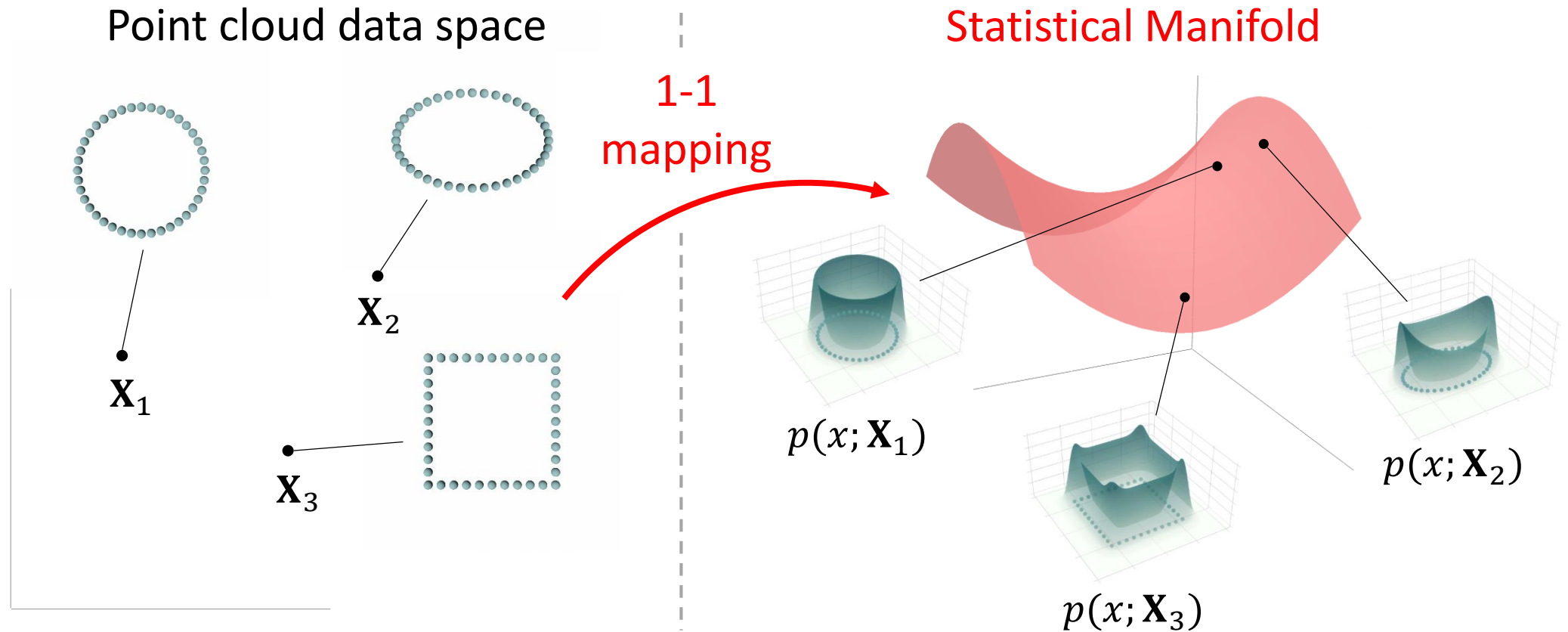
What about the usual “Euclidean” way?



Both velocities have **the same Euclidean norm**

➡ Euclidean norm does not capture the **change in “shape”**

Statistical Manifold Framework



Statistical Manifold Framework

With the **Fisher information metric** acting as a natural **Riemannian metric*** for the statistical manifold, the **Riemannian norm** can be defined as follows:

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A Riemannian metric* allows one to define distances and angles near each point of a surface (or, more generally, a manifold), in the same way distances and angles in Euclidean space can be defined via an inner product.

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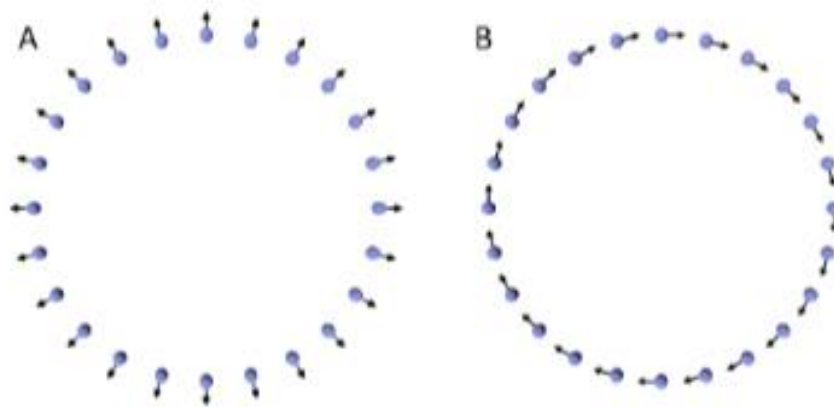
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$$|| \frac{d}{dt} \log p(x; \mathbf{X}) ||^2$$

It captures the **change in**
“distribution”

In the proposed “Riemannian” way

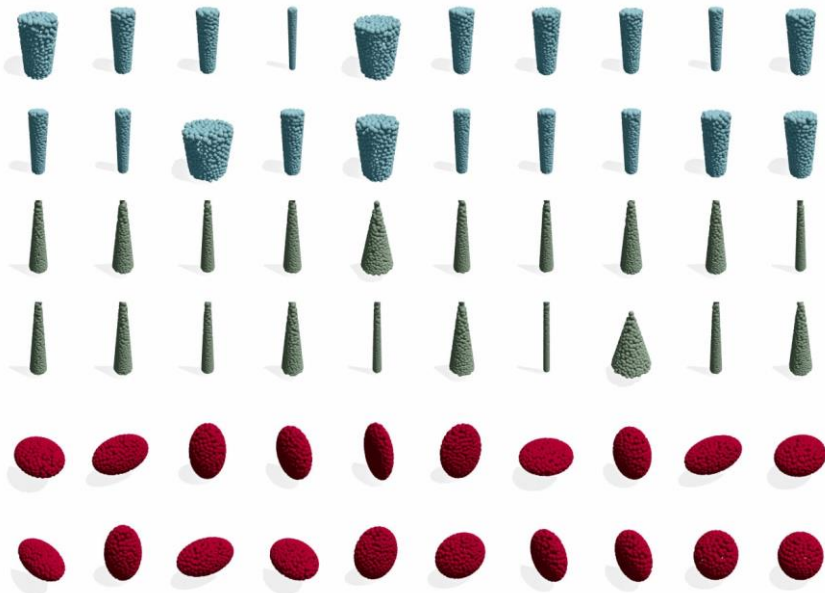


Both velocities have **different Riemannian norms** (larger for the case A than B)

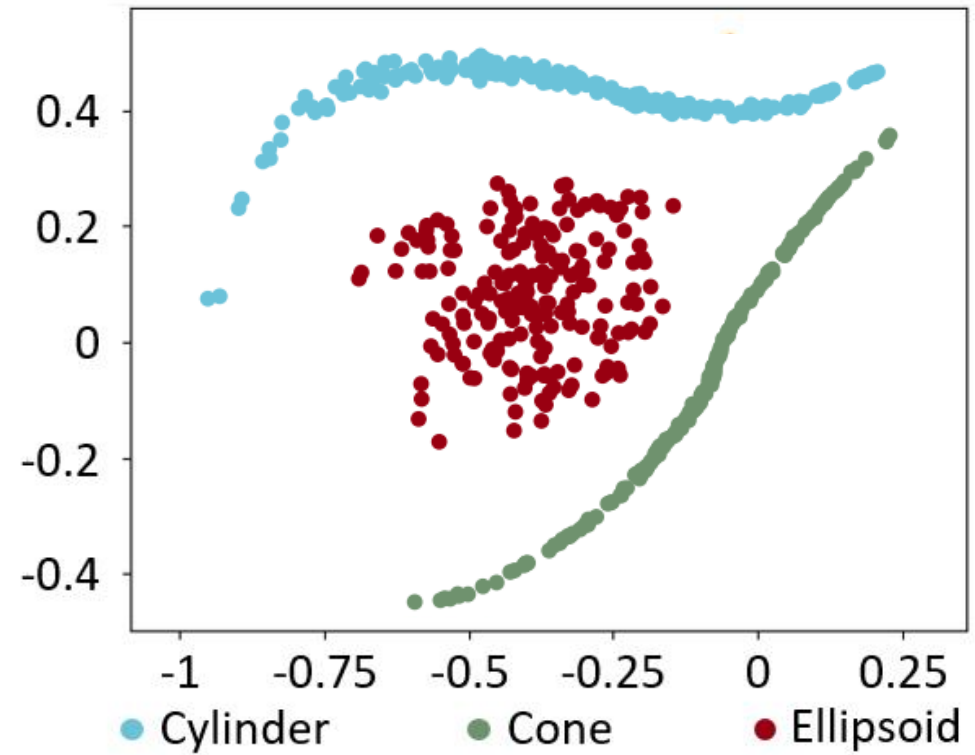
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Autoencoder Applications

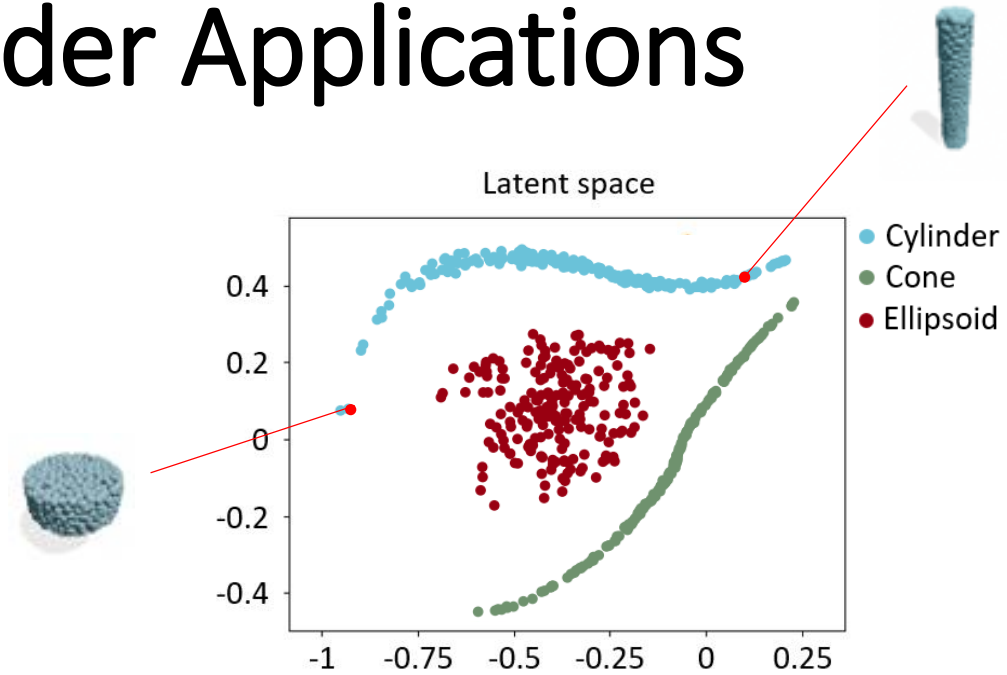
Training Data



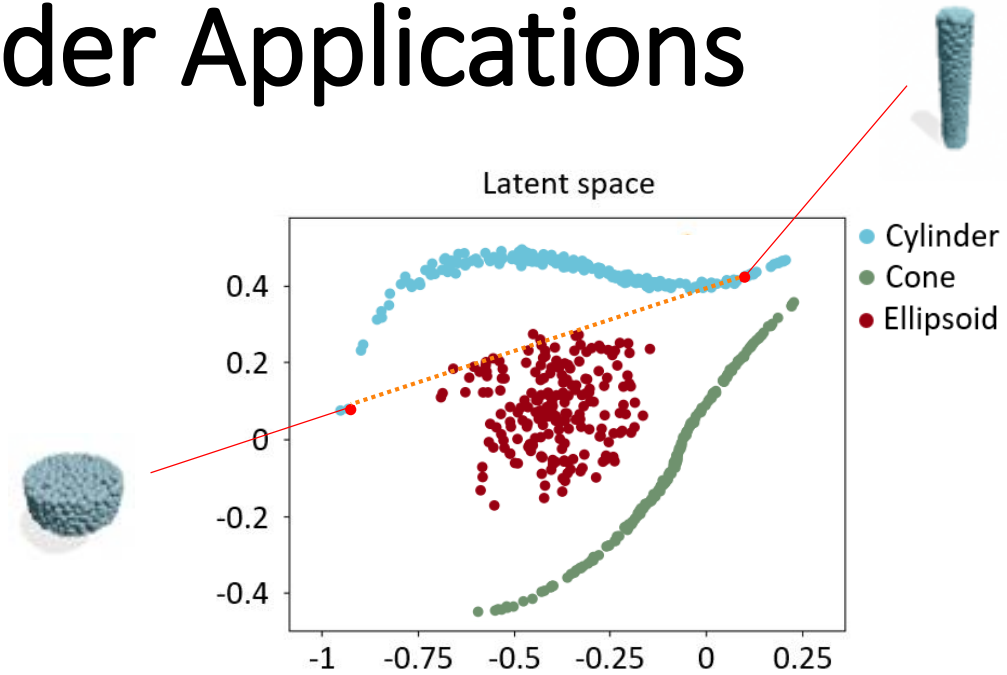
Latent space



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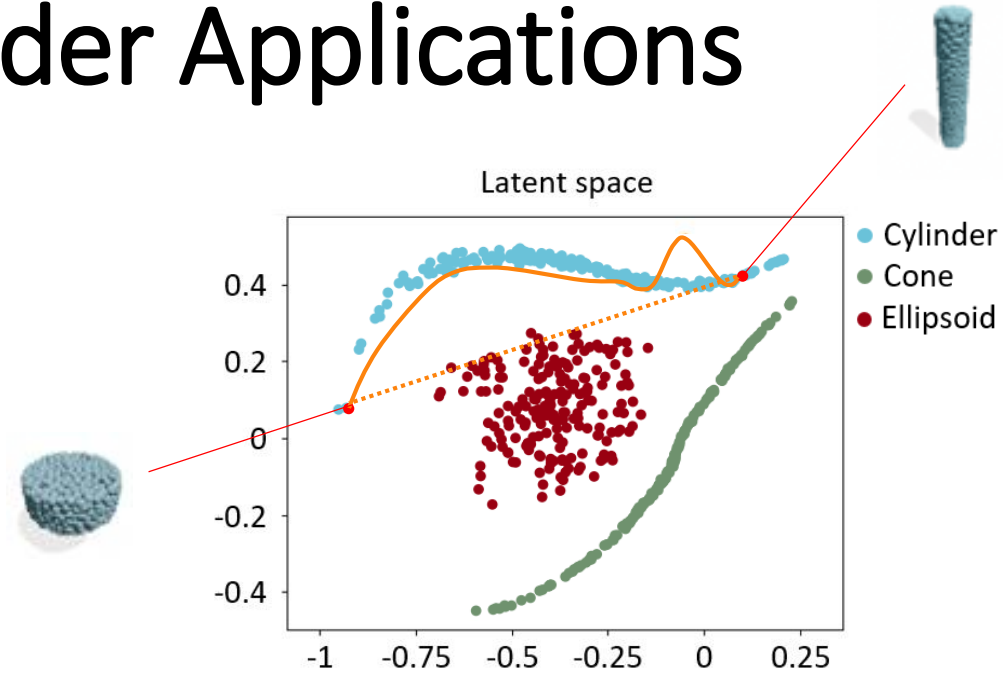
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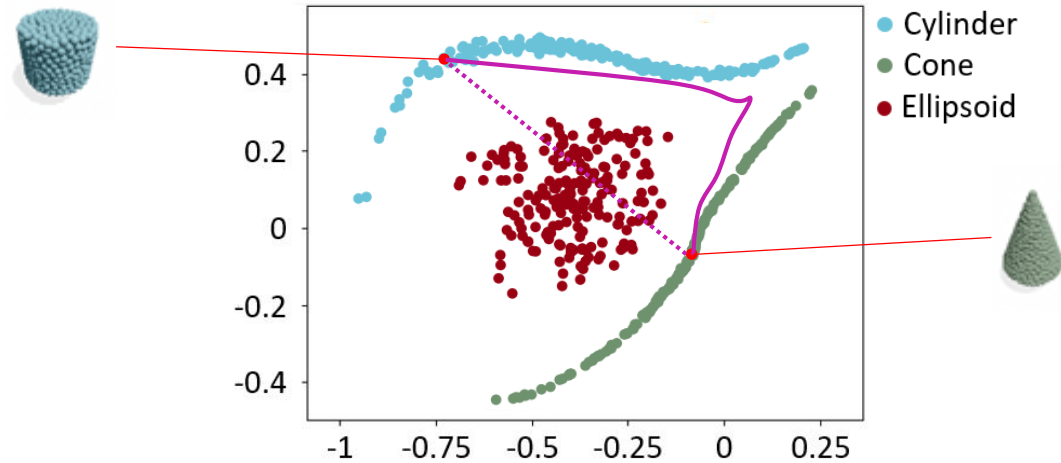


Riemannian geodesic interpolants



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Riemannian geodesic interpolants



Autoencoder Applications

Classification accuracy by transfer learning
for ModelNet10 (MN10) and ModelNet40 (MN40) from ShapeNet.

METHOD	MN40	MN10
FcNet	88.3%	93.5%
FcNet + E (ours)	89.3%	93.7%
FcNet + I (ours)	90.4%	94.3%
FoldingNet	89.3%	93.7%
FoldingNet + E (ours)	88.9%	94.4%
FoldingNet + I (ours)	90.1%	94.5%
PointCapsNet	87.2%	93.6%
PointCapsNet + E (ours)	88.1%	93.7%
PointCapsNet + I (ours)	88.5%	93.9%
DGCNN-FcNet	90.3%	94.5%
DGCNN-FcNet + E (ours)	89.9%	94.4%
DGCNN-FcNet + I (ours)	91.0%	95.2%

Vanilla setting

METHOD	MN40			
	1%	5%	10%	20%
FcNet	87.8%	83.2%	75.6%	64.5%
FcNet + E (ours)	86.6%	85.1%	79.1%	70.4%
FcNet + I (ours)	89.0%	86.6%	81.4%	72.4%
	MN10			
	1%	5%	10%	20%
FcNet	92.4%	91.9%	88.4%	79.8%
FcNet + E (ours)	92.2%	91.1%	88.2%	82.6%
FcNet + I (ours)	93.3%	92.6%	91.6%	84.8%

Noisy data setting

METHOD	MN40			
	50%	10%	5%	1%
FcNet	85.7%	78.0%	70.6%	50.3%
FcNet + I (ours)	87.9%	81.6%	76.8%	57.4%
	MN10			
	50%	10%	5%	1%
FcNet	91.7%	90.1%	87.2%	74.1%
FcNet + I (ours)	93.2%	91.2%	88.3%	78.1%

Semi-supervised learning setting

More in the Paper

- Formal and general descriptions of
 - ✓ point cloud statistical manifold
 - ✓ information Riemannian metric
 - More experimental results
 - Thorough comparison with recent related works
- ...and much more!

Thank you for listening!

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Code: <https://github.com/seungyeon-k/SMF-public>