

# **Shape-from-operators**: recovering shapes from intrinsic differential operators

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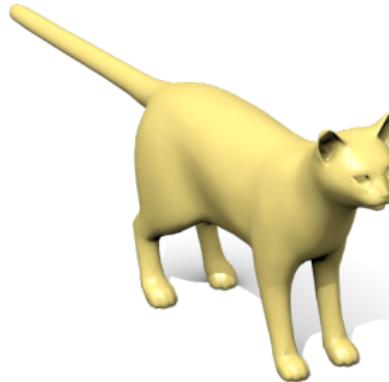


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mathematical model:  
simply-connected, smooth, compact,  
2-dim **Riemannian manifold  $X$** ,  
without boundary





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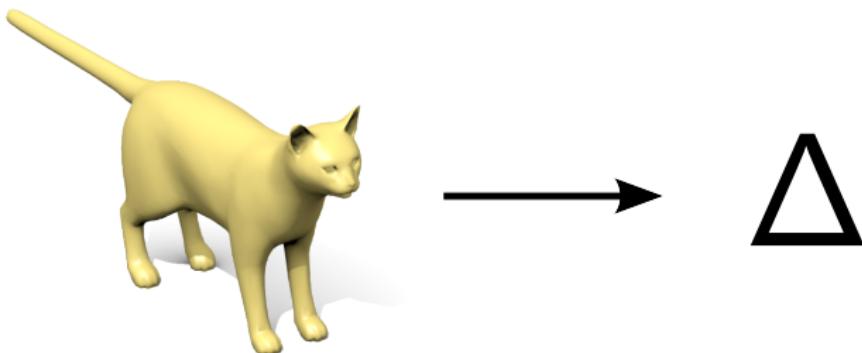
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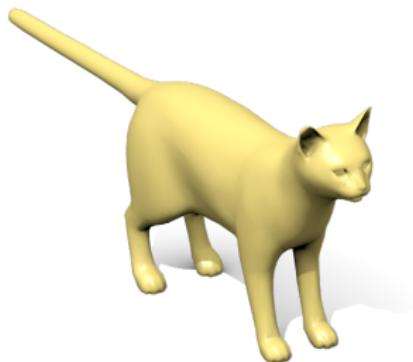


depend only on the **metric**

## From shapes to operators



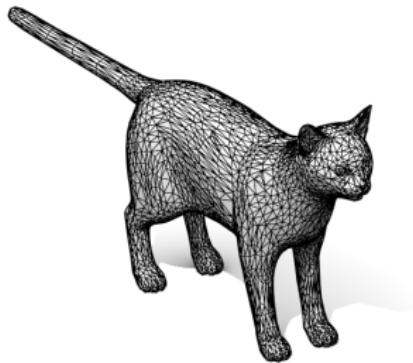
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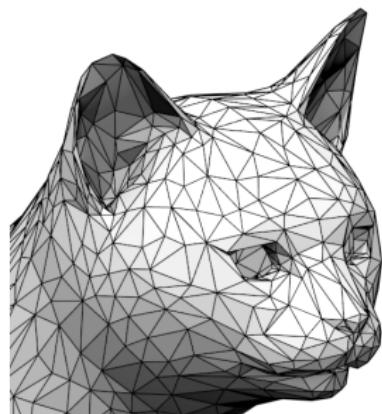
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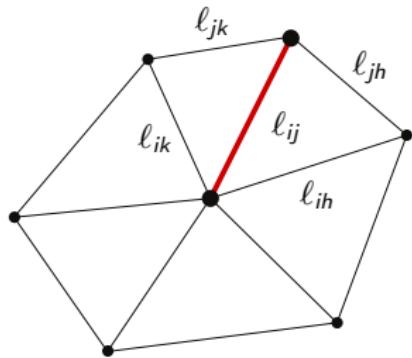
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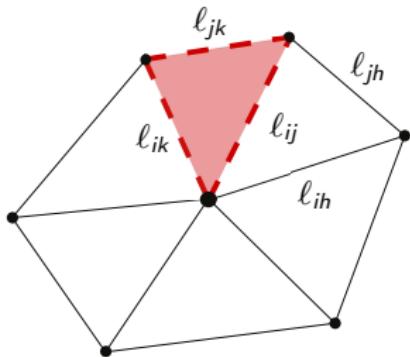
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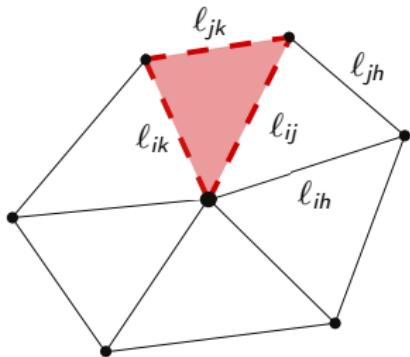
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- Laplace-Beltrami operator is the  $|X| \times |X|$  matrix

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{W},$$

where  $\mathbf{D} = \text{diag}(\sum_{i \neq j} w_{ij})$



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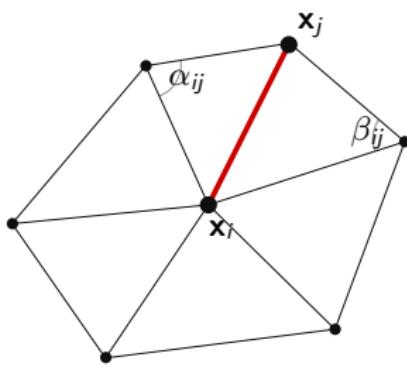
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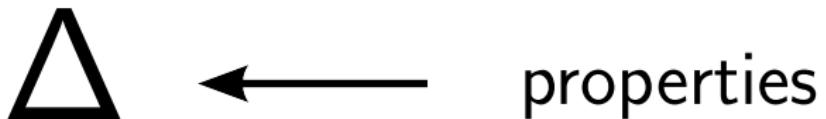
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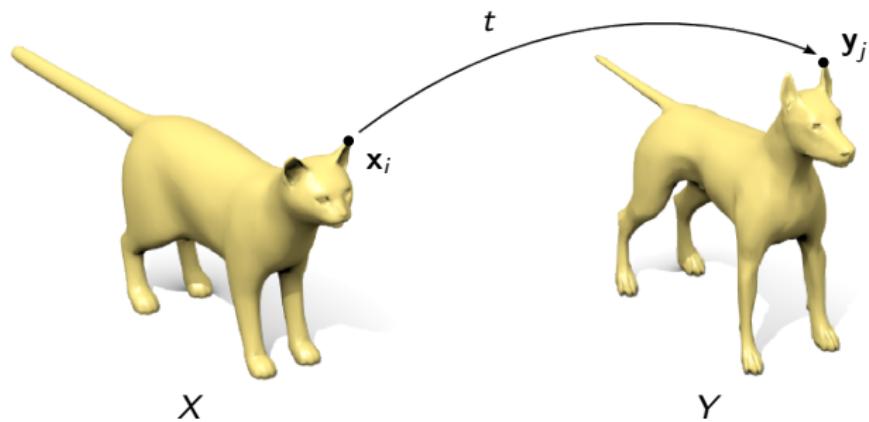
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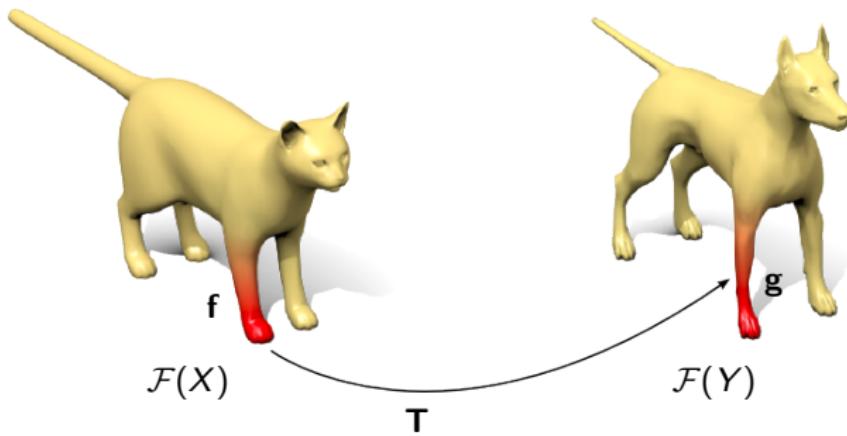


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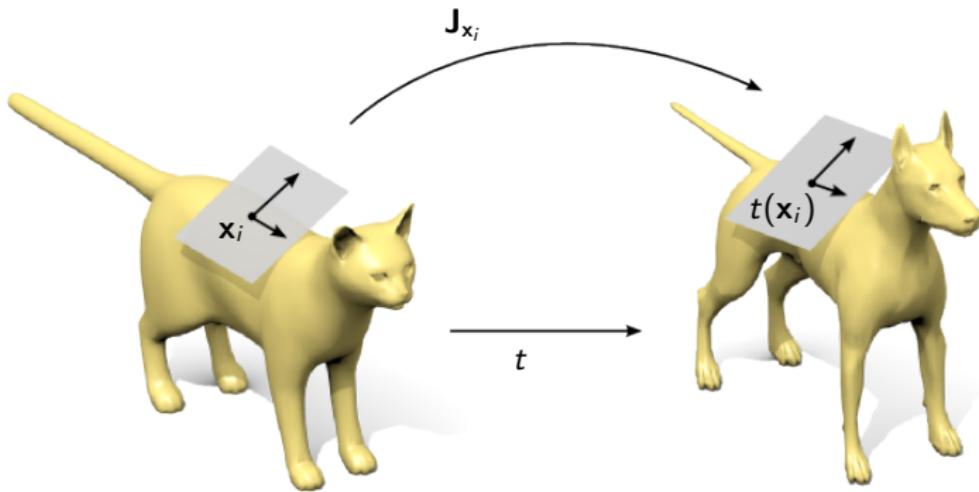
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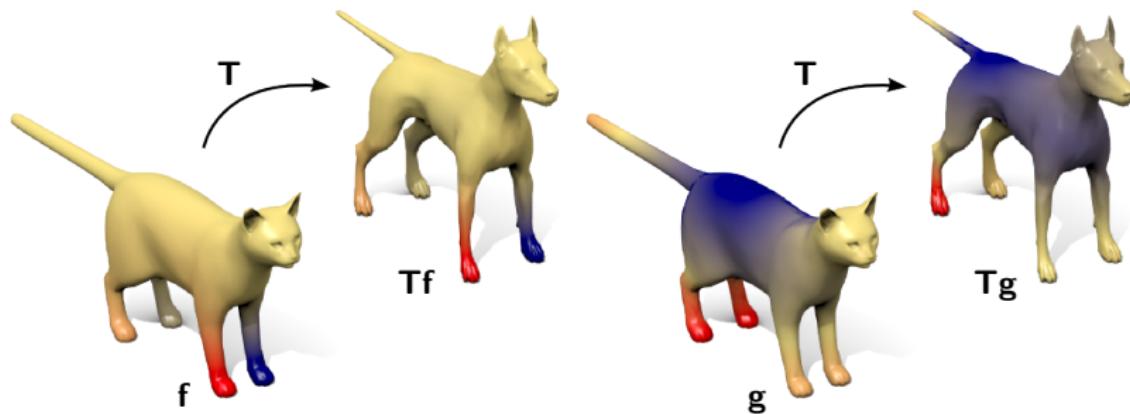
**Functional** maps  $\mathbf{T}: \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(Y)$

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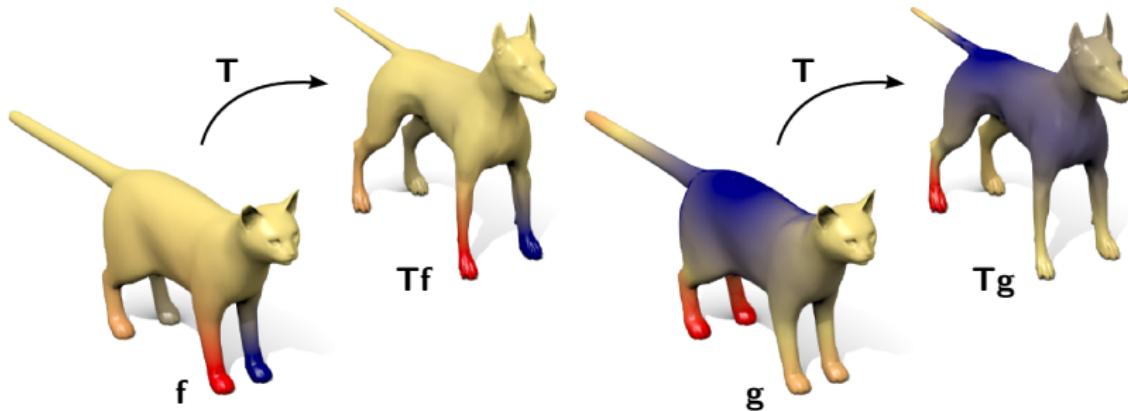
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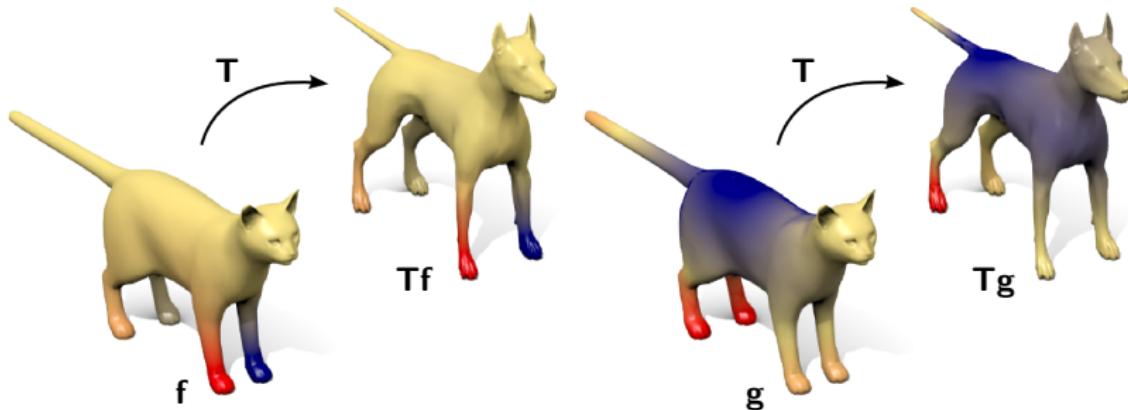
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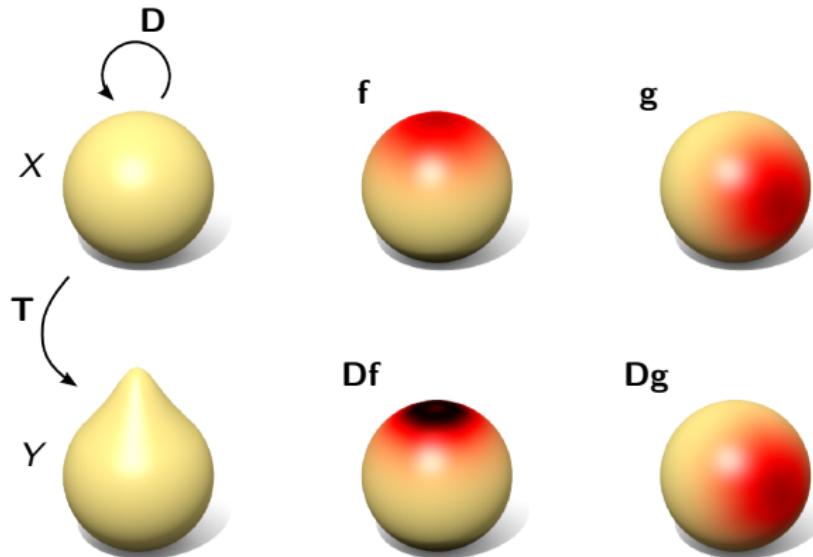
**Riesz theorem:** there exist a unique **self-adjoint** linear operator

$$\mathbf{D}: \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X)$$

such that

$$\langle \mathbf{Tf}, \mathbf{Tg} \rangle_{\mathcal{F}(Y)} = \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{Dg} \rangle_{\mathcal{F}(X)}$$

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- Captures the **difference** in the geometry of the two shapes
- **Depends** on choice of inner product

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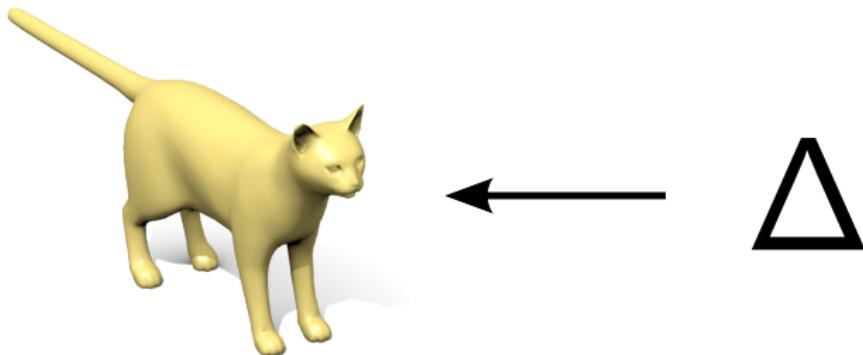
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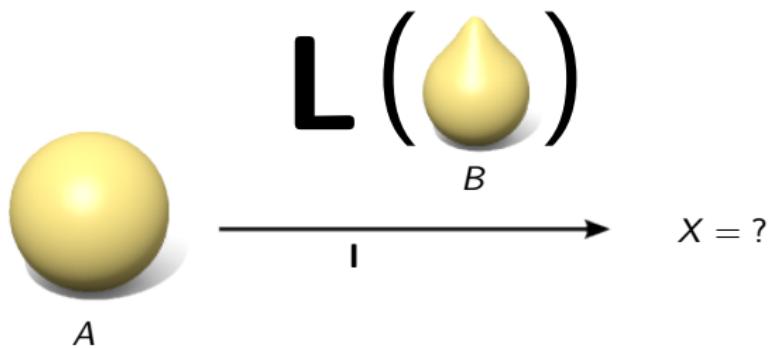
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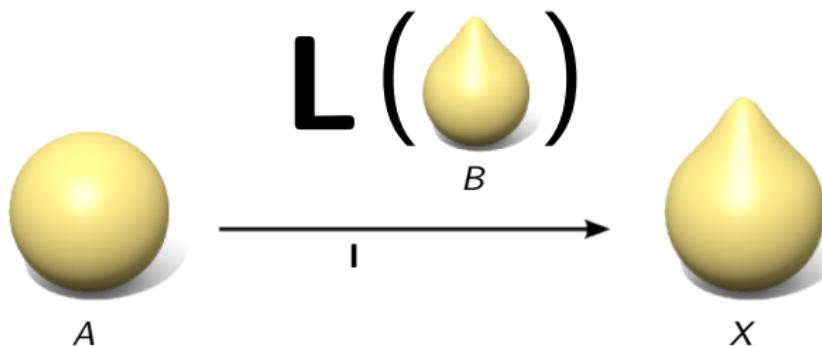
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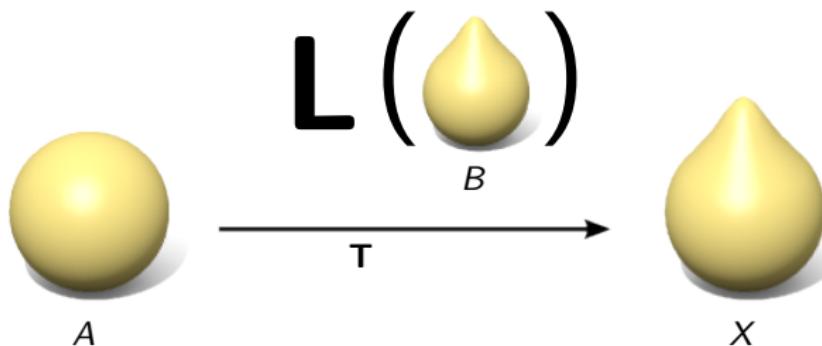
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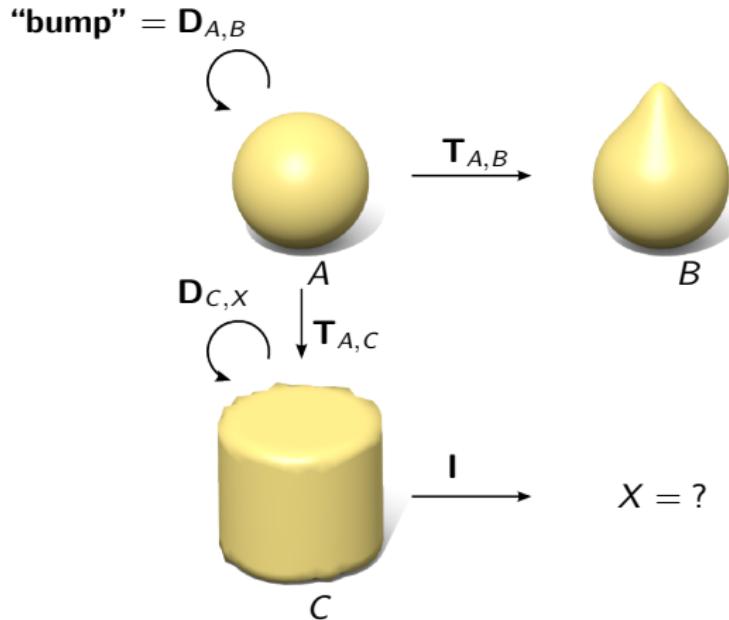
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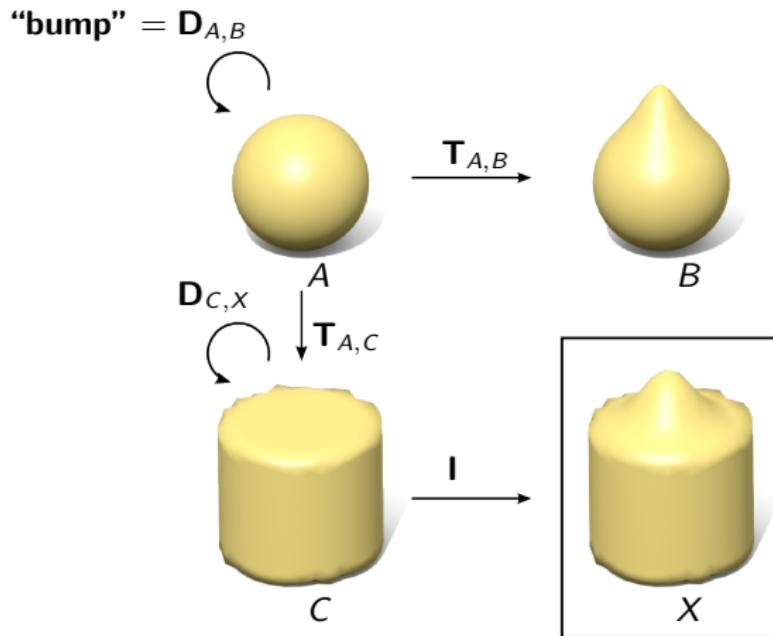
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## Our approach

Original problem:

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Split into two subproblems:

- metric-from-operator,  $\mathbf{O}(\ell) \rightarrow \ell$

$$\min_{\ell} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{O}(\ell), \mathbf{O}_0) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{triangle inequality}$$

- embedding-from-metric,  $\ell \rightarrow \mathbf{X}$

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**SMACOF** algorithm: fixed point iteration of the form

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where

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{cases} -v_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq j, \\ \sum_{i \neq j} v_{ij} & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} -\frac{v_{ij}\ell_{ij}}{\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|} & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and } \mathbf{x}_i \neq \mathbf{x}_j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and } \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}_j, \\ \sum_{i \neq j} b_{ij} & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

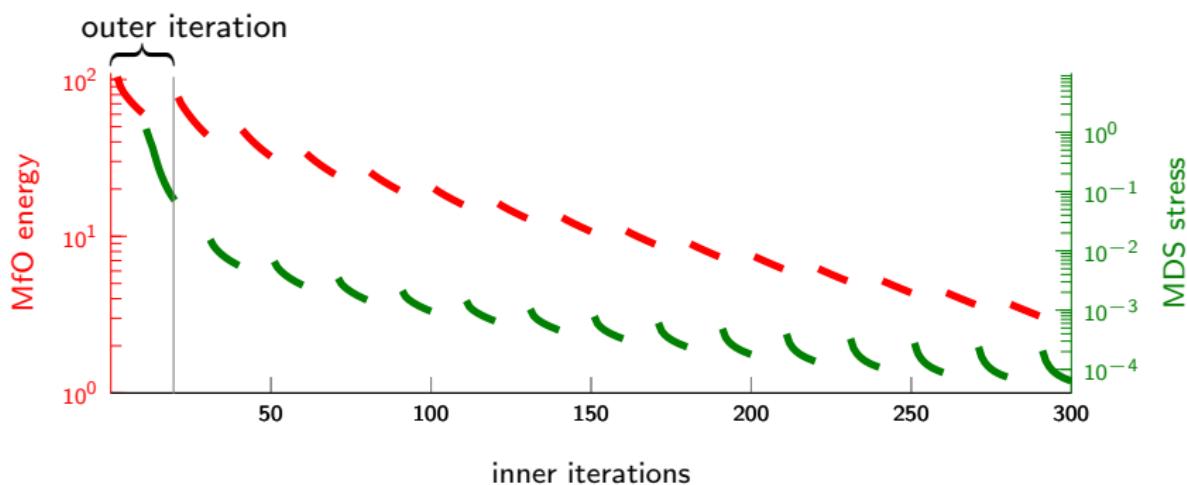
Alternating scheme:

- unconstrained minimization of the energy

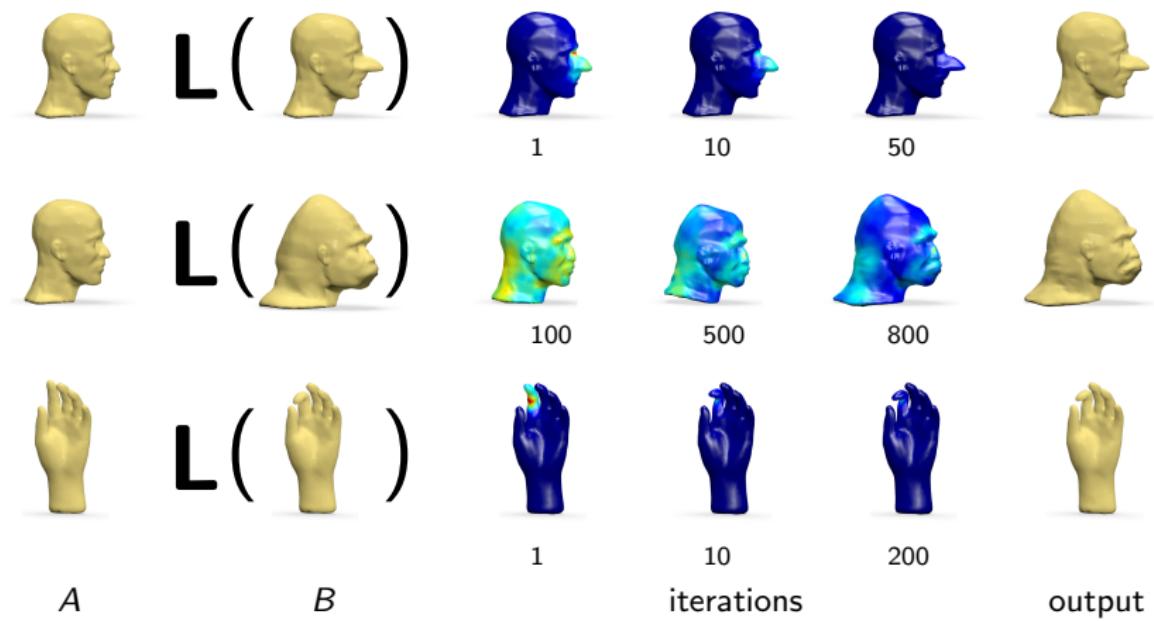
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- metric embedding to enforce **triangle inequality** constraints

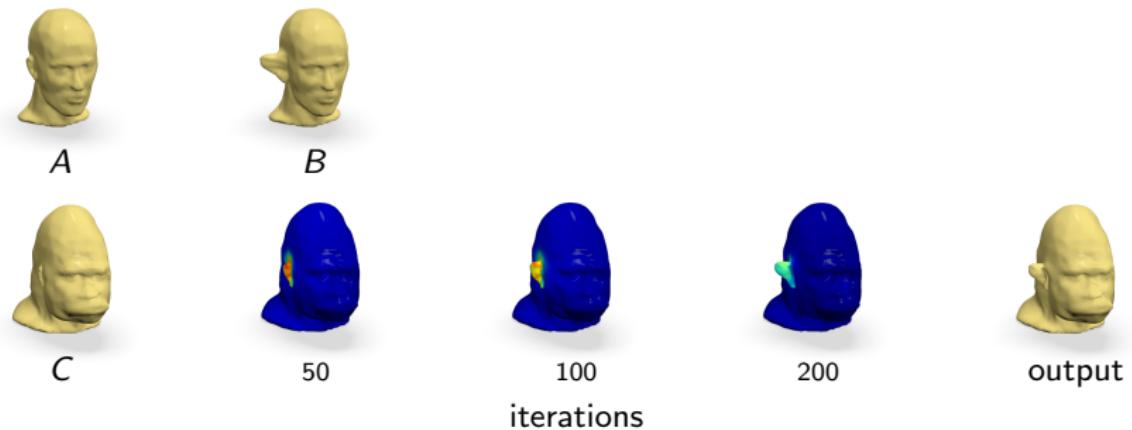
$$\ell \rightarrow \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \text{feasible } \tilde{\ell}$$



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*A*



*B*



*C*



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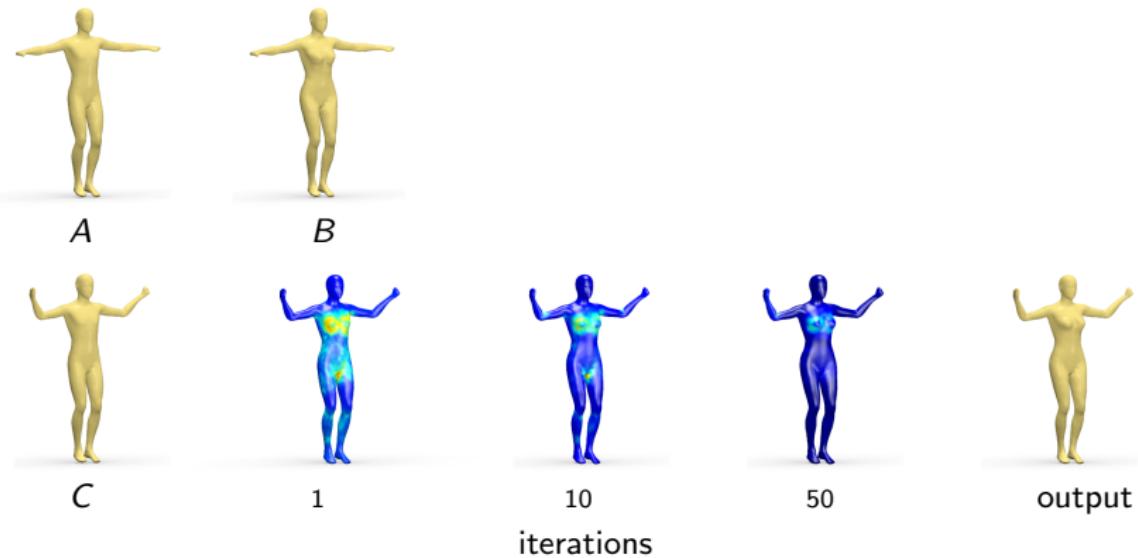
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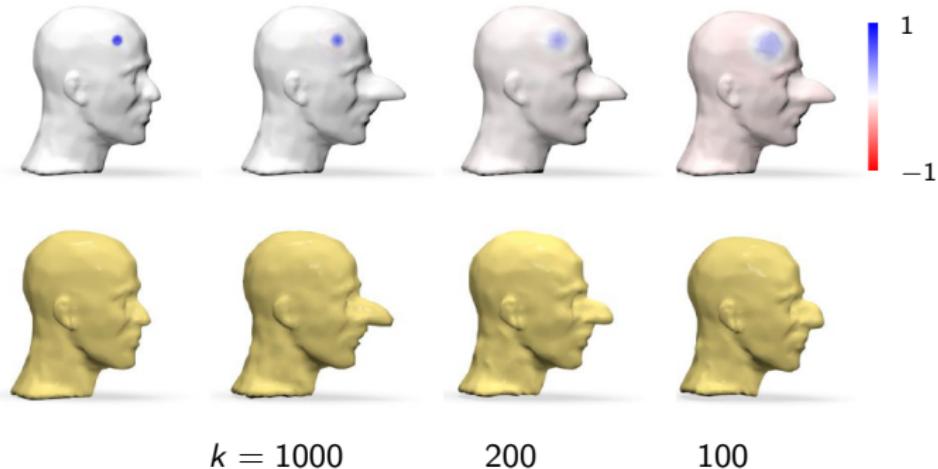
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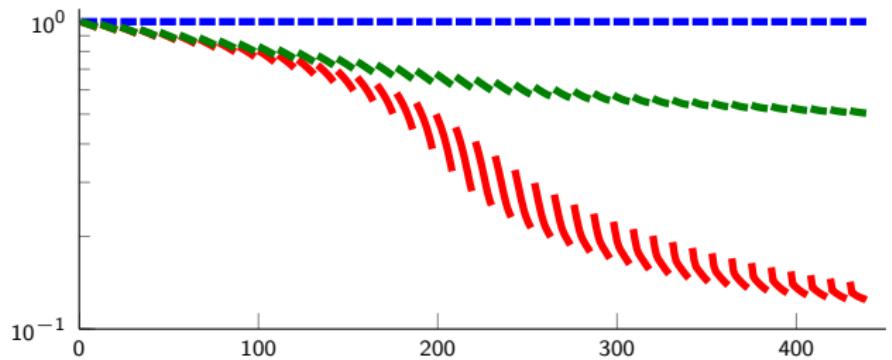


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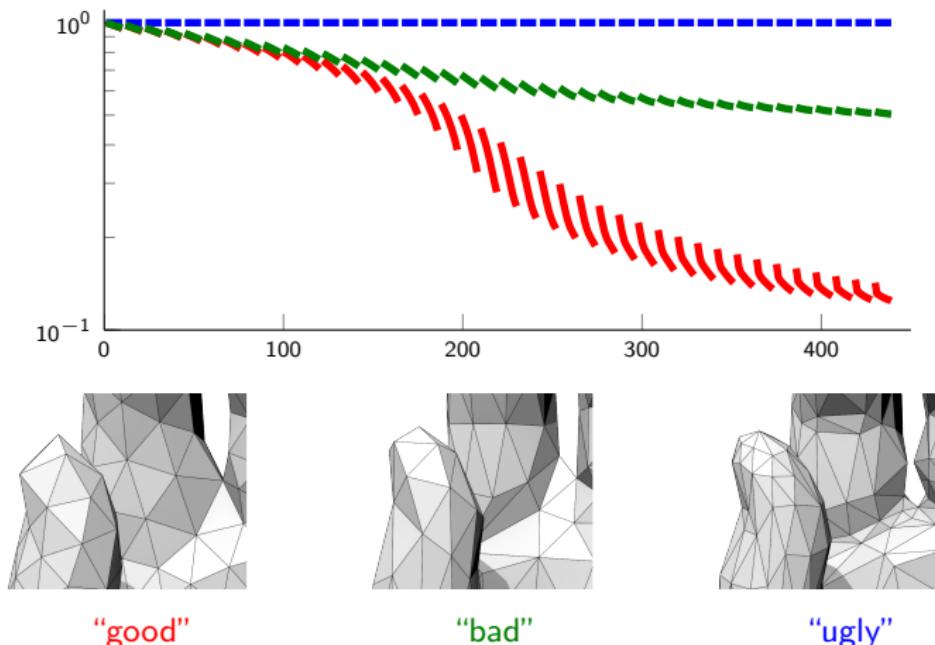


$$\mathbf{T} \approx \bar{\Psi} \bar{\Psi}^T \bar{\Phi} \bar{\Phi}^T, \text{ where } \bar{\Phi} = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_k)$$

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- **change of variables** to avoid triangle inequality constraints (with Drosos Kourounis)
- **shape-from-eigenvectors**

