



Tutorial:
**Inverse Computational
Spectral Geometry**

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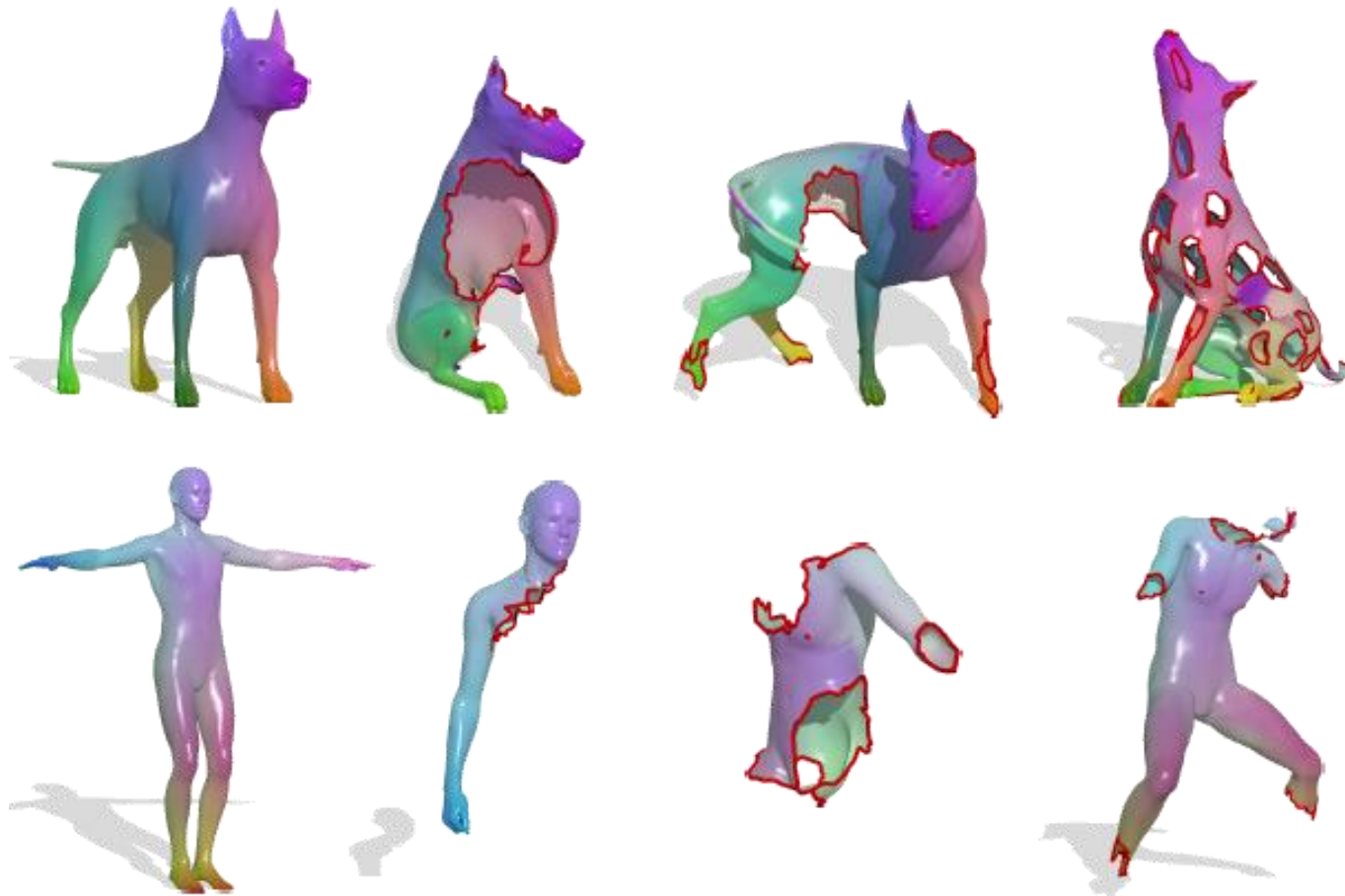
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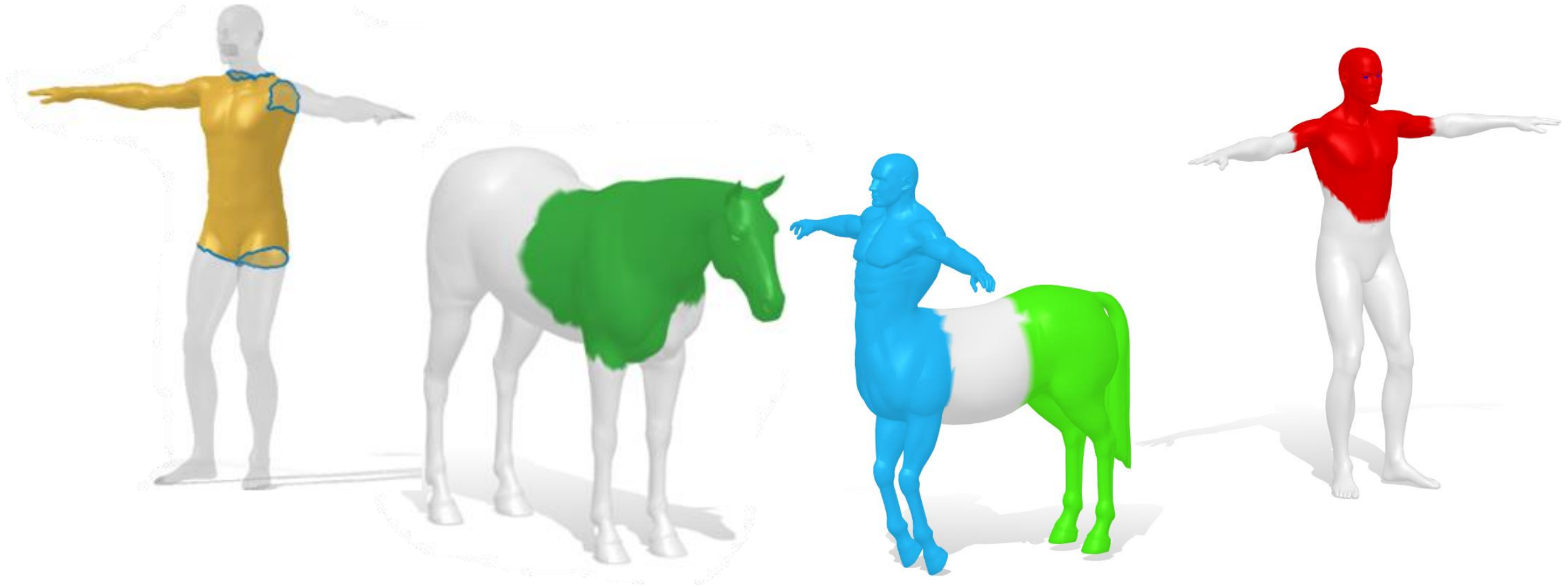
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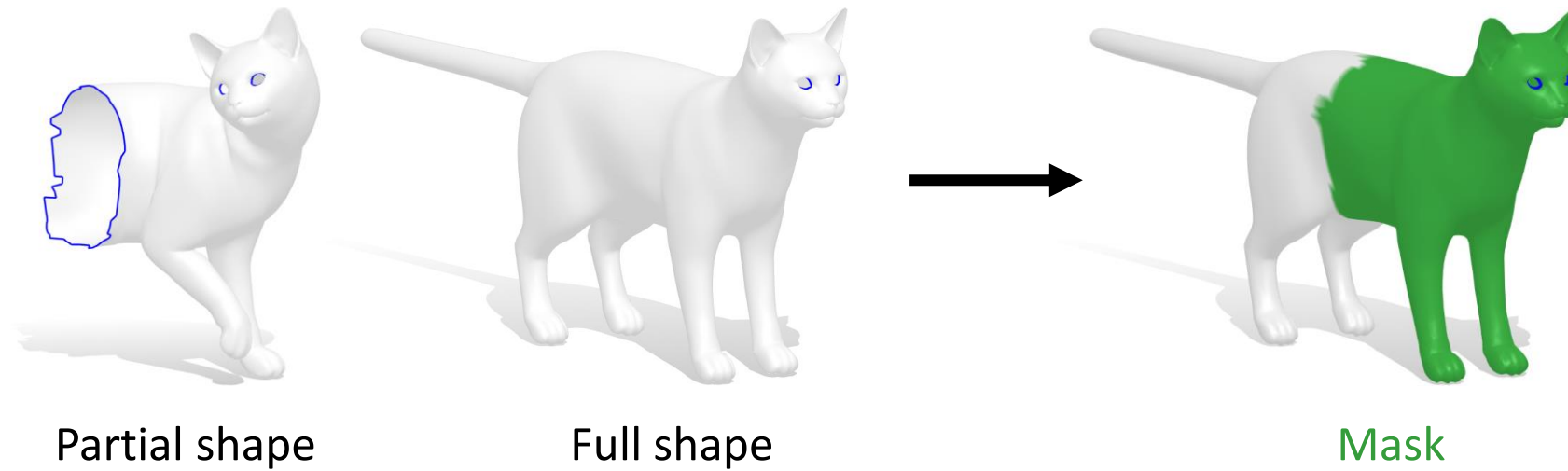
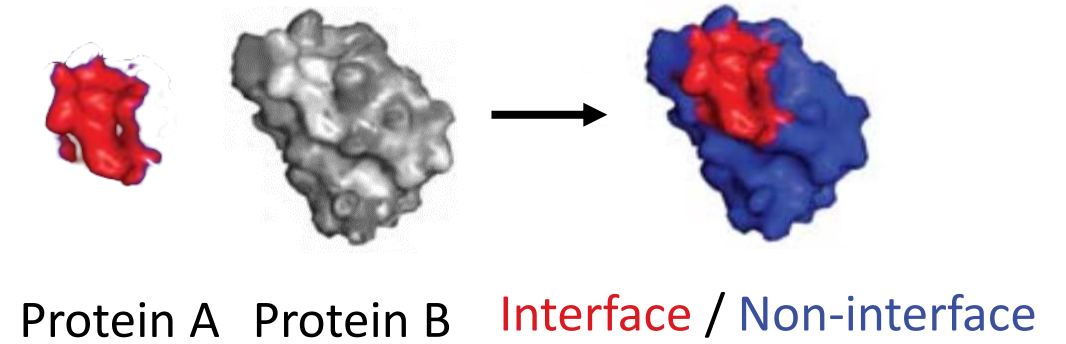
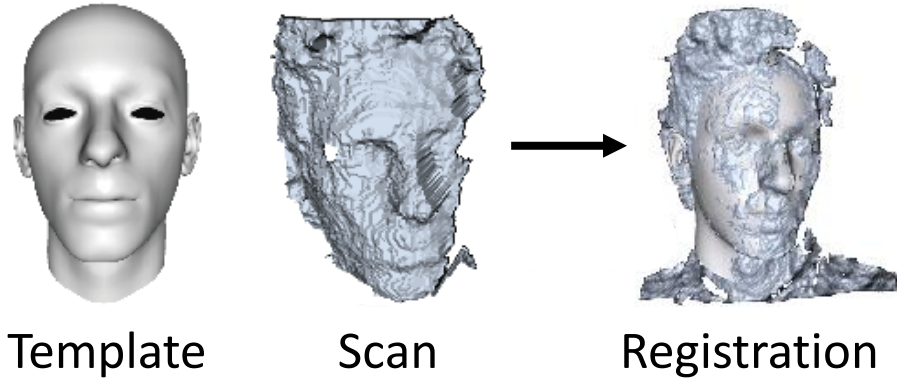
Partial shapes



Subregions of a given shape

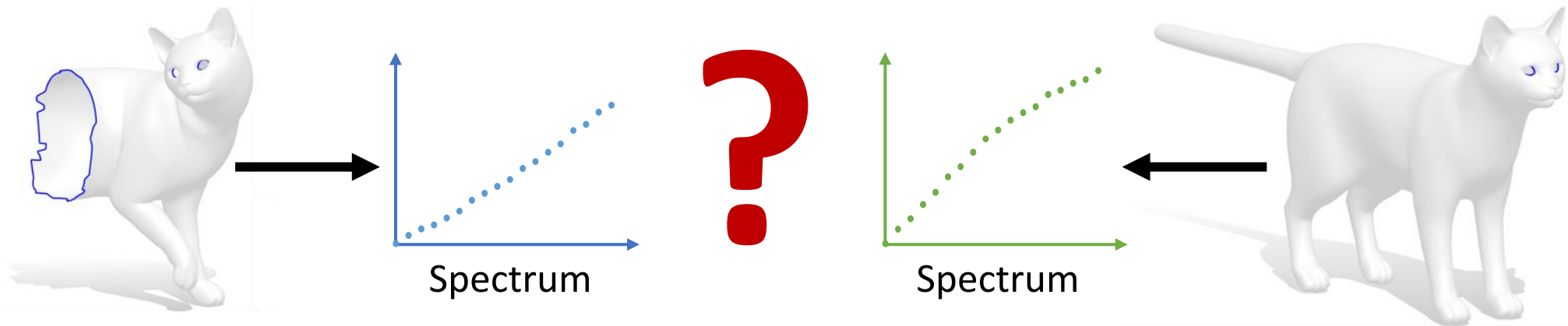


Motivations



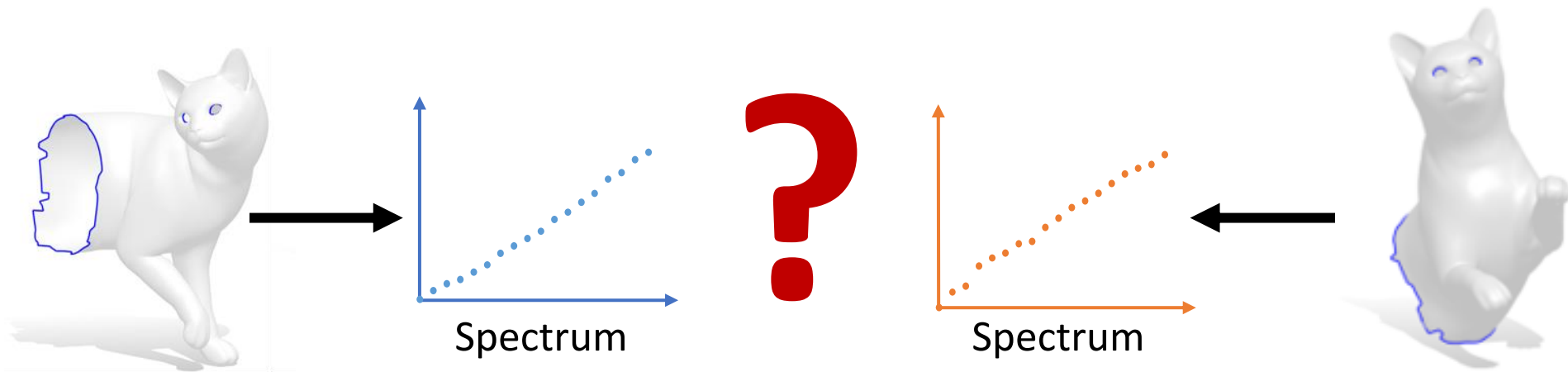
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- What is the relation between the global spectrum and the spectrum of the partialities?



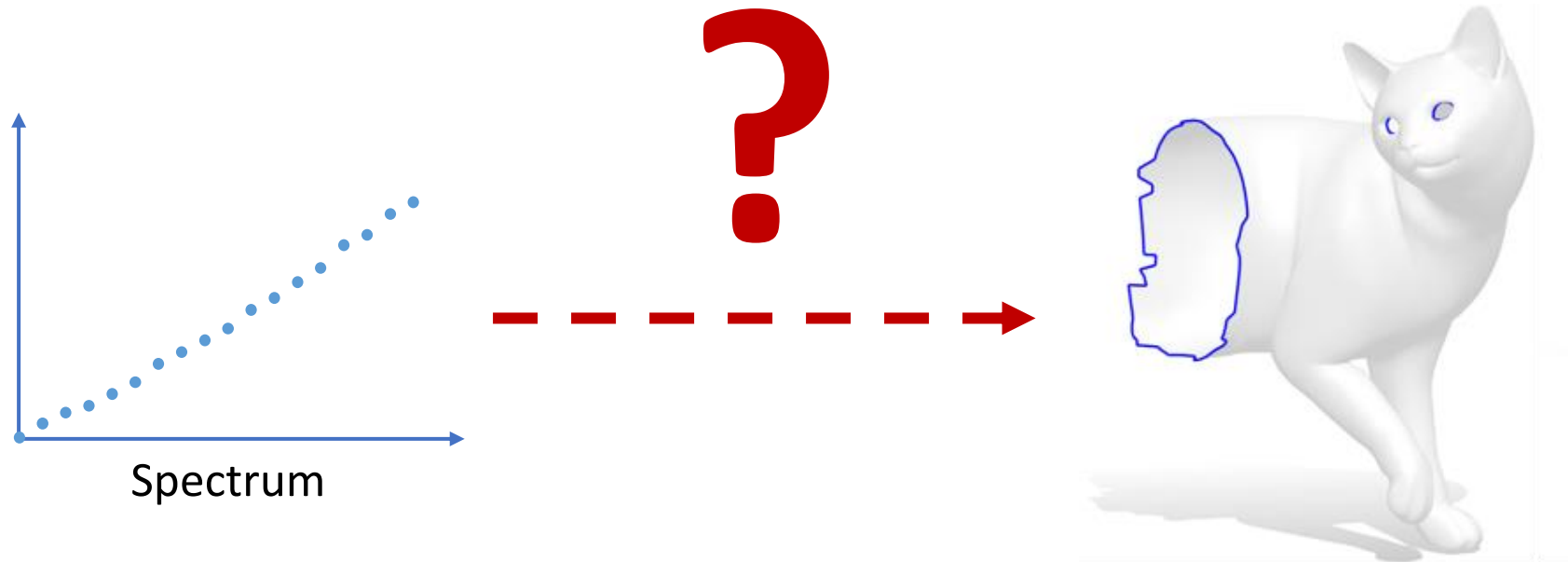
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- What is the relation between the spectra of different partialities?

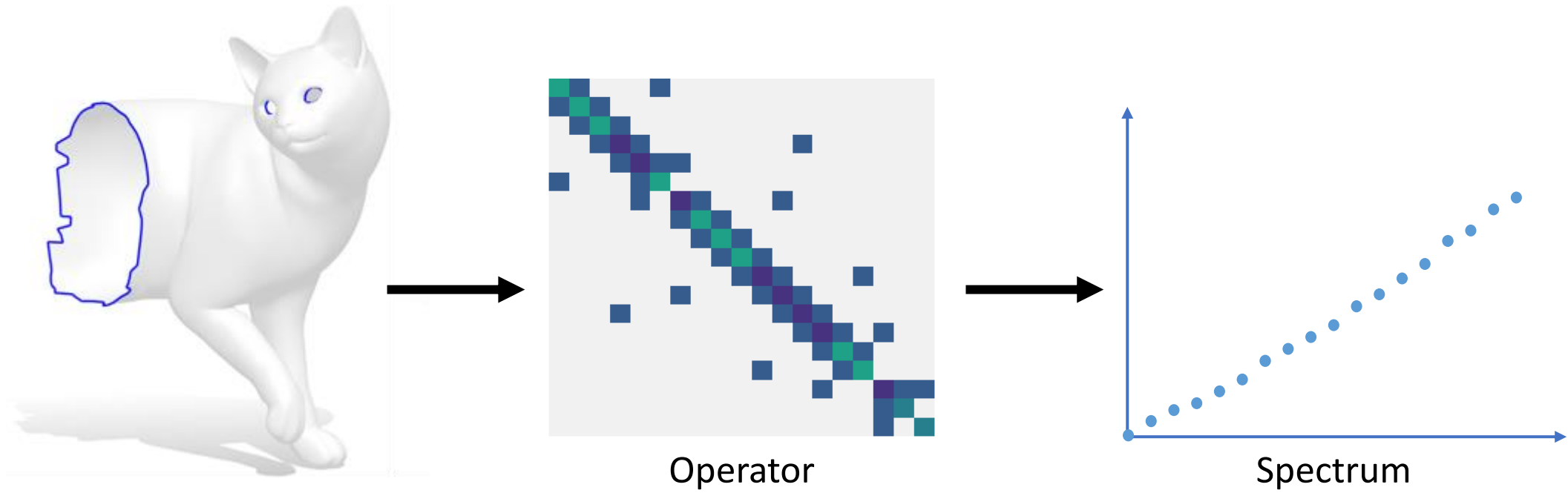


Question 2

- Can we solve inverse problems starting from the spectrum of partialities?

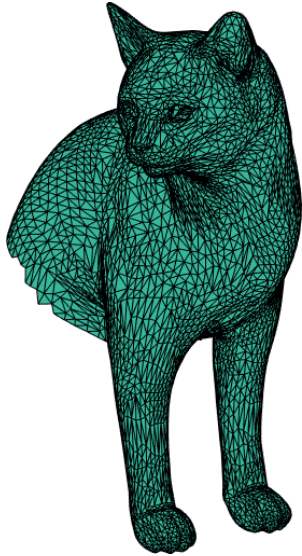


The spectrum of Partial shapes

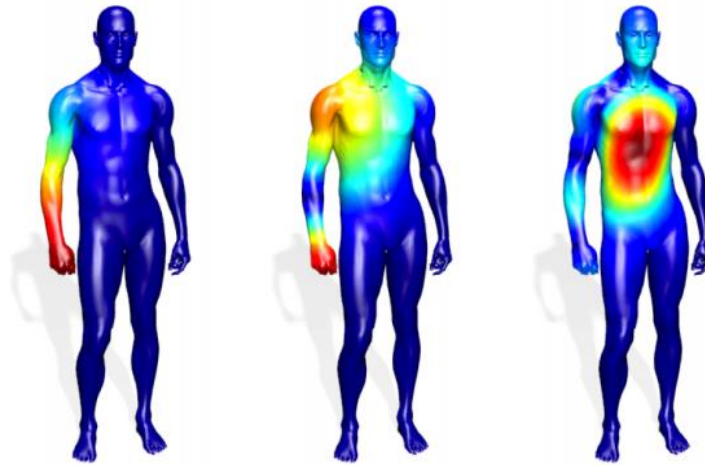


Different possible operators

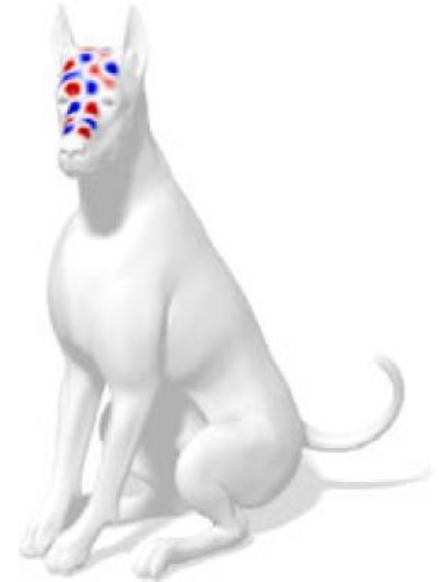
Increasing dependency between the entire shape and the partiality



Laplacian of the patch
“Computing Discrete Minimal Surfaces and Their Conjugates”,
U. Pinkall et al. 1993.

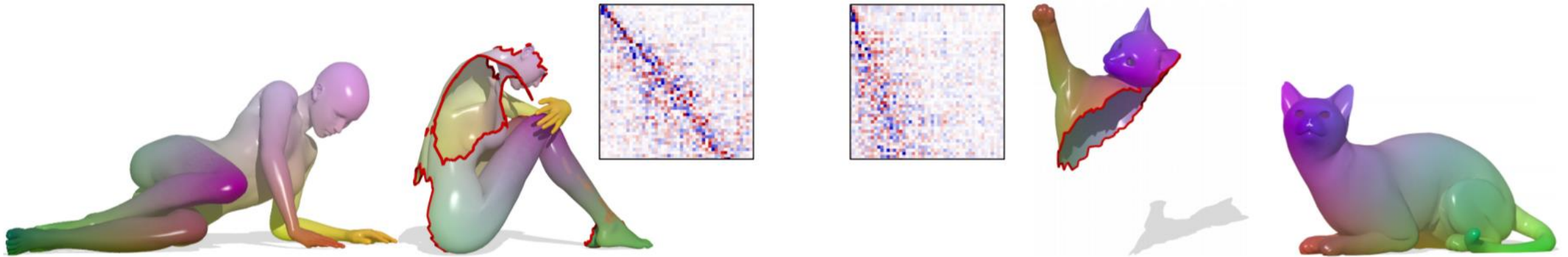


Hamiltonian
“Hamiltonian operator for spectral shape analysis”,
Y. Choukroun et al. 2018.



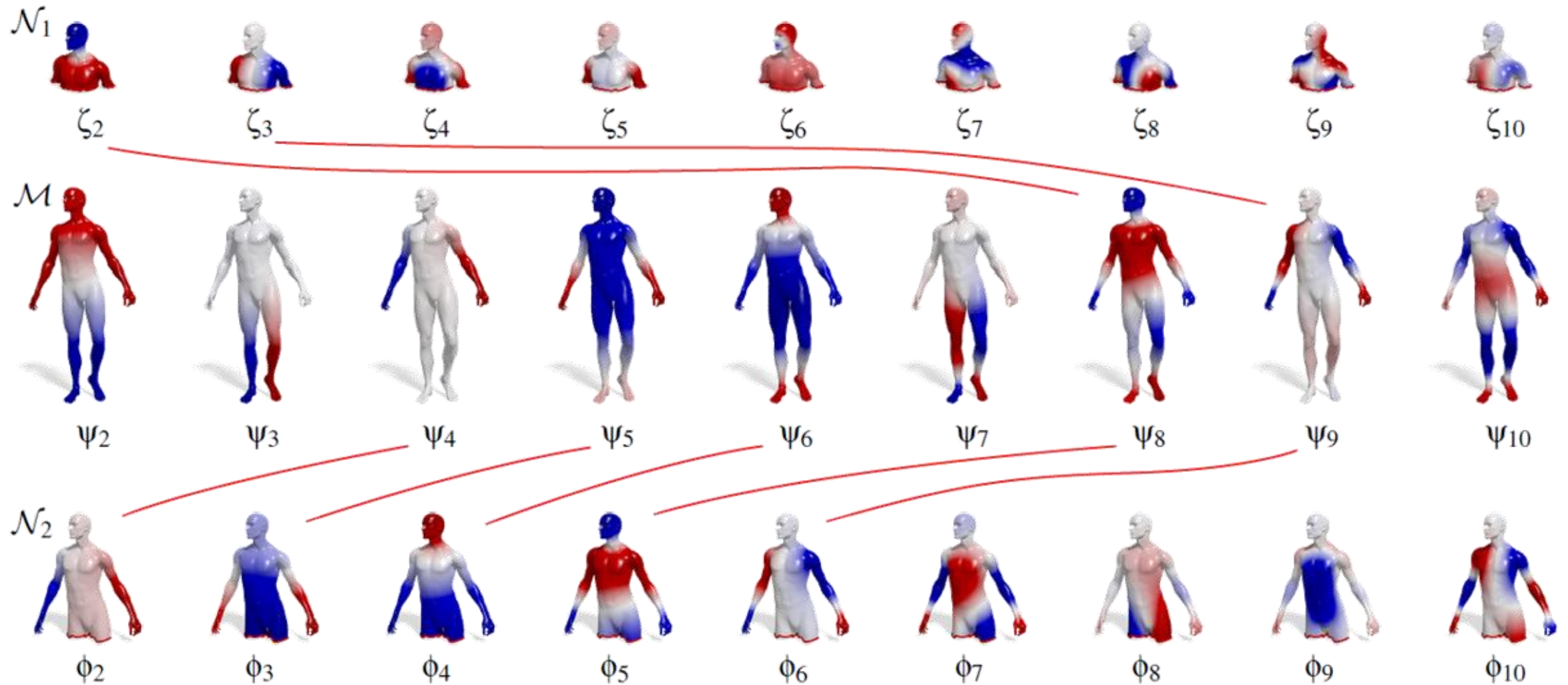
LMH
“Localized Manifold Harmonics for Spectral Shape Analysis”,
S. Melzi et al. 2018.

Partial Functional Maps (PFM)

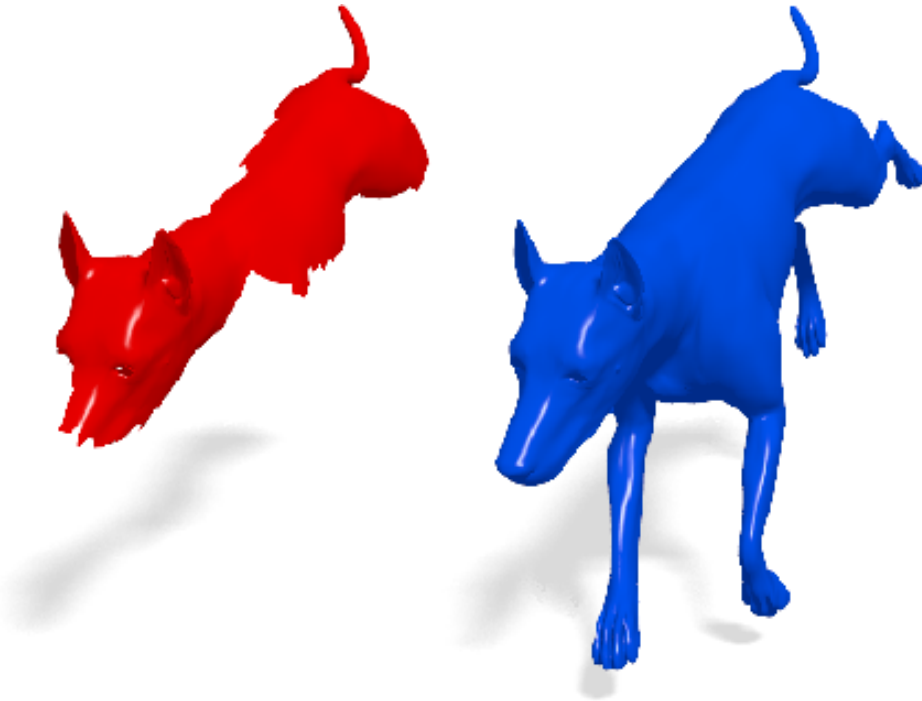
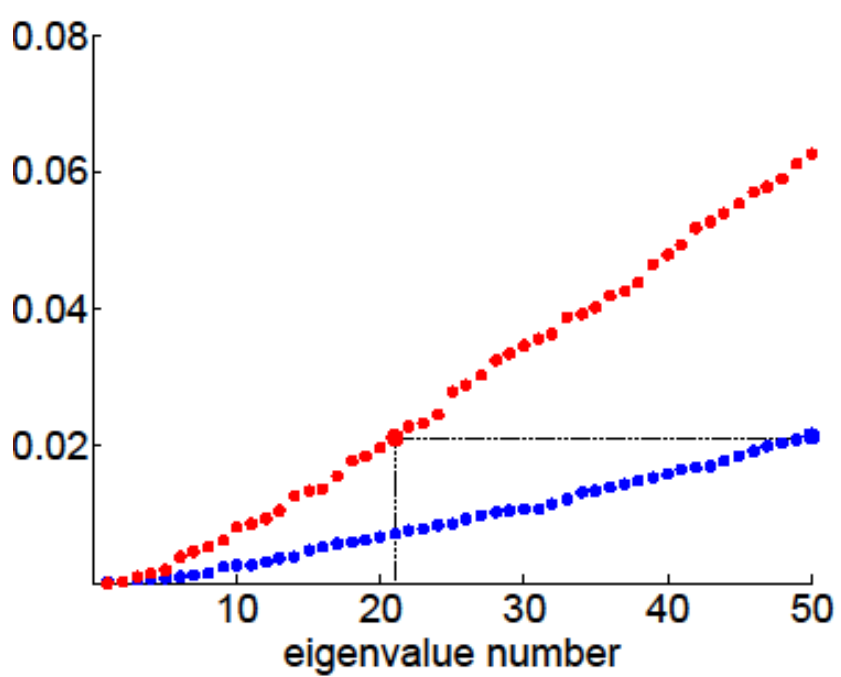


[“Partial functional correspondence”, E. Rodolà et al. 2017.](#)

Partial Laplacian eigenfunctions



Partial Laplacian eigenvalues

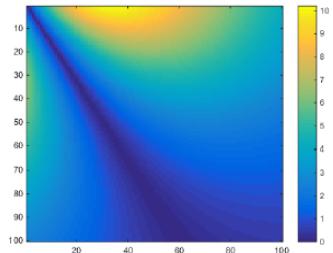


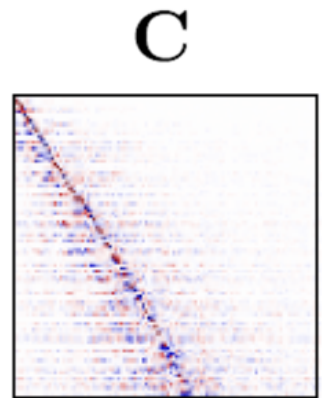
Weyl's law: The Laplacian spectrum has a slope inversely proportional to the surface area.

Partial Functional Maps (PFM)

$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k} \\ v: X \rightarrow [0,1]}} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}(v)\|}_{\text{data}} + \underbrace{\rho_{\text{corr}}(\mathbf{C}) + \rho_{\text{part}}(v)}_{\text{regularity}}$$

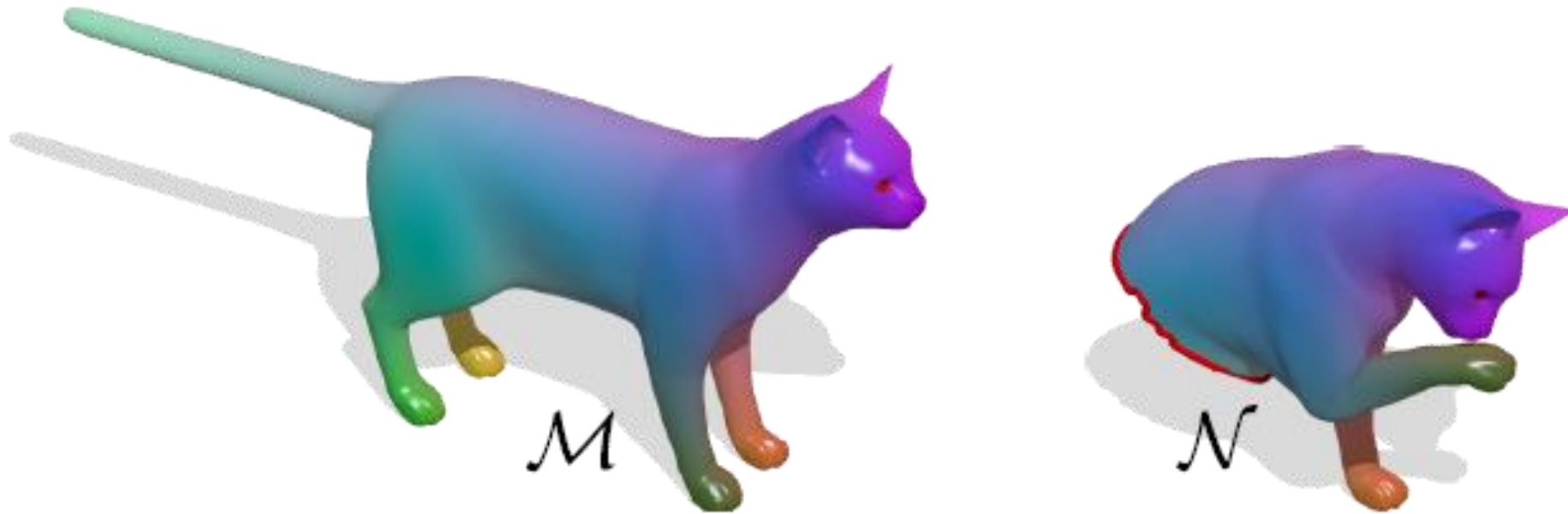
$$\rho_{\text{corr}}(\mathbf{C}) = \|\mathbf{C} \circ \mathbf{W}\|_F^2$$

$\mathbf{W} =$ 



Remark

- Spectral quantities can be used to analyze partialities of 3D objects



Can we retrieve the partial
shape that generates a given
spectrum?

Correspondence-Free Region Localization for Partial Shape Similarity via Hamiltonian Spectrum Alignment

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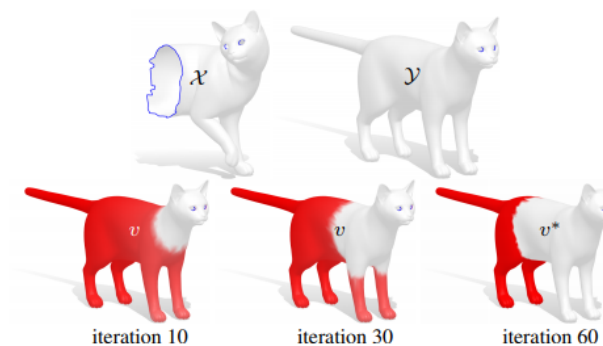
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Abstract

We consider the problem of localizing relevant subsets of non-rigid geometric shapes given only a partial 3D query as the input. Such problems arise in several challenging tasks in 3D vision and graphics, including partial shape similarity, retrieval, and non-rigid correspondence. We phrase the problem as one of alignment between short sequences of eigenvalues of basic differential operators, which are constructed upon a scalar function defined on the 3D surfaces. Our method therefore seeks for a scalar function that attains



[“Correspondence-Free Region Localization for Partial Shape Similarity via Hamiltonian Spectrum Alignment”](#),

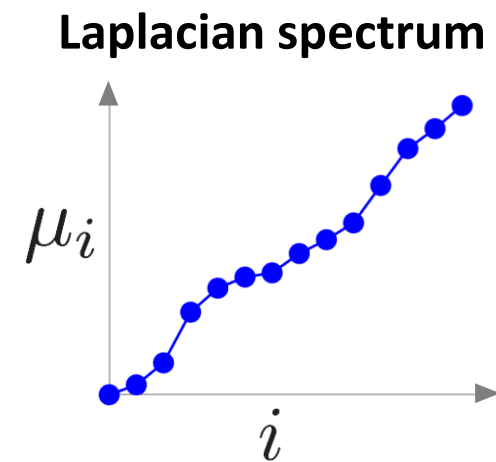
[A. Rampini et al. 2019.](#)

Background: Laplace-Beltrami operator

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Step potential



ψ_1



ψ_2



ψ_3

...



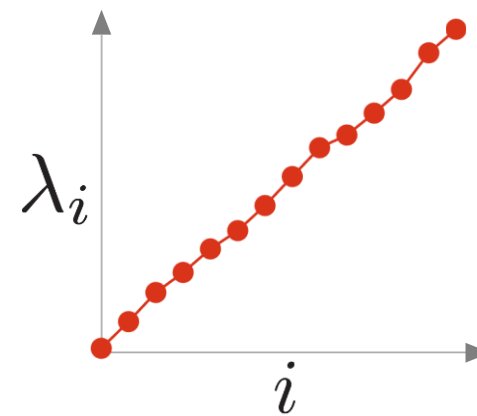
ψ_{20}

...



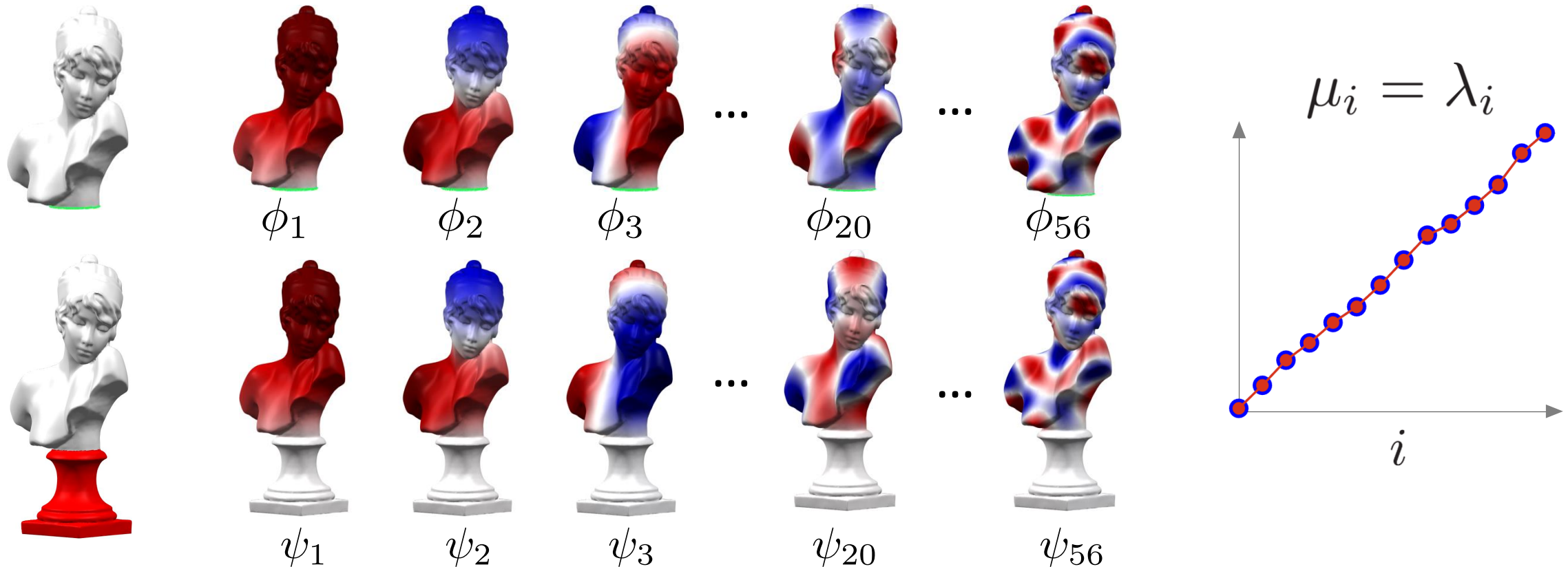
ψ_{56}

Hamiltonian spectrum



Our approach: main idea

Theorem: There exists a step potential for which the Hamiltonian on the full shape and the LBO on the partial shape share the **same spectrum**:



Optimization problem

$$\Delta + \mathbf{diag}(\mathbf{v})$$

Optimization problem

$$\lambda(\mathbf{\Delta} + \mathbf{diag}(\mathbf{v}))$$

Optimization problem

$$\lambda(\mathbf{\Delta} + \mathbf{diag}(\mathbf{v})) - \mu$$

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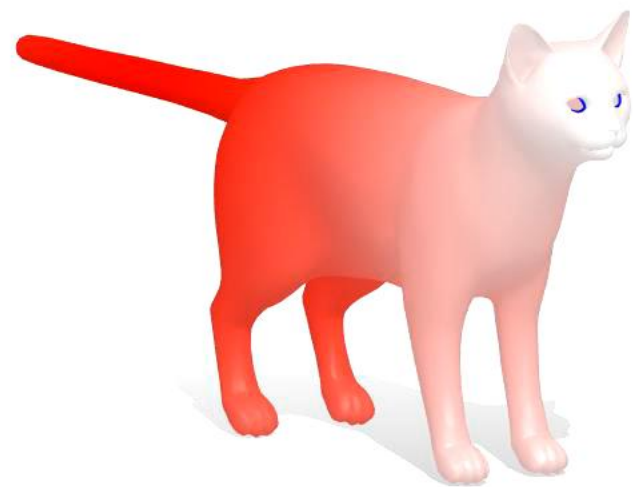
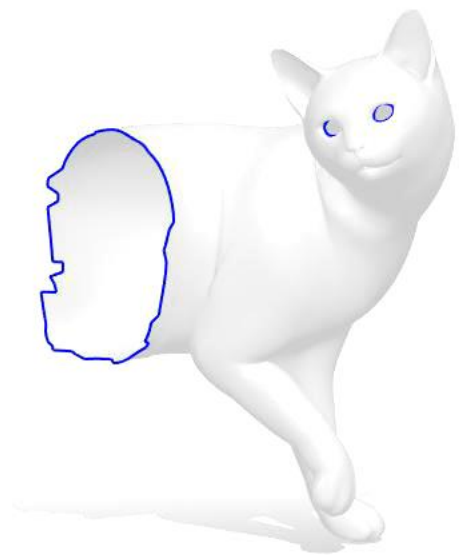
Optimization problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{v} \geq 0} \|\lambda(\Delta + \mathbf{diag}(\mathbf{v})) - \mu\|_w^2$$

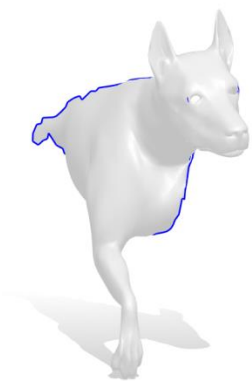
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Implementation details:

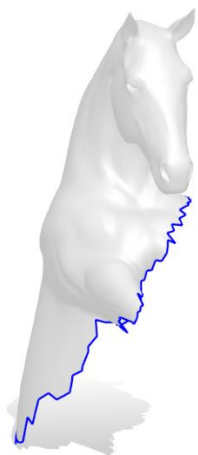
- Optimize over $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with saturation $\sigma(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\tau}{2}(\tanh(\mathbf{v}) + 1)$
- Trust Region
- Initialization: multistart



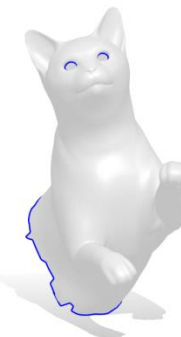
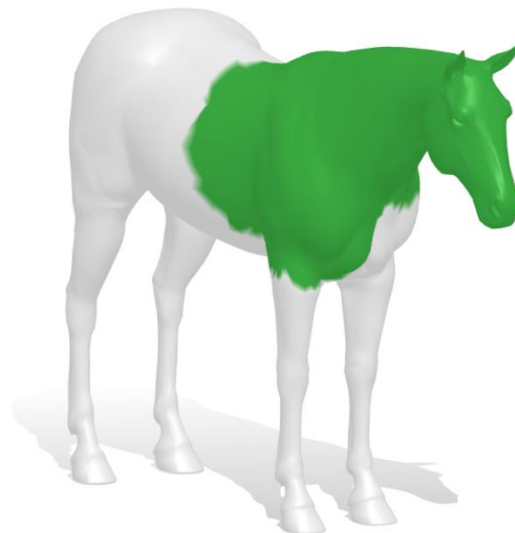
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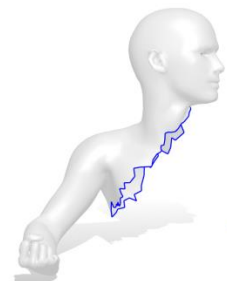
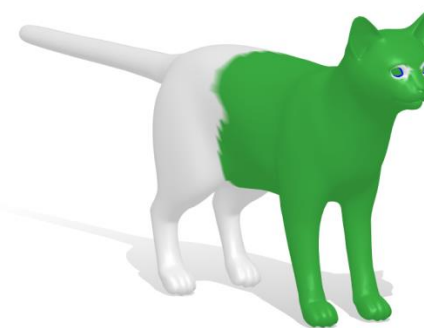
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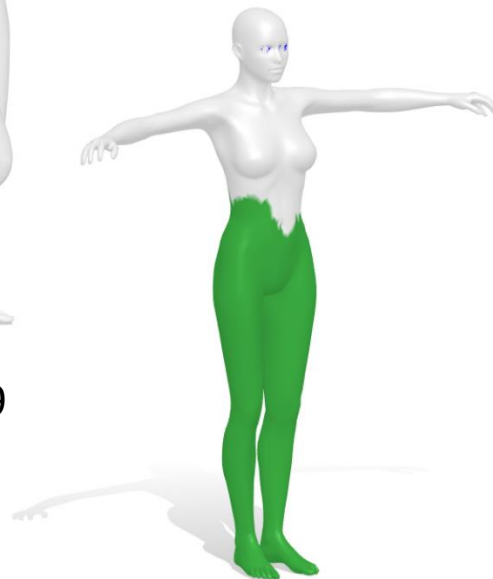
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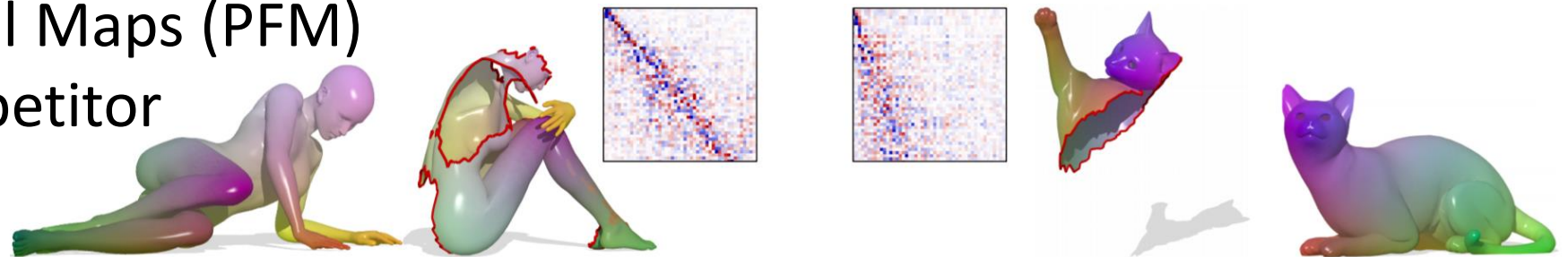
Pros

~~1. Correspondence-free~~

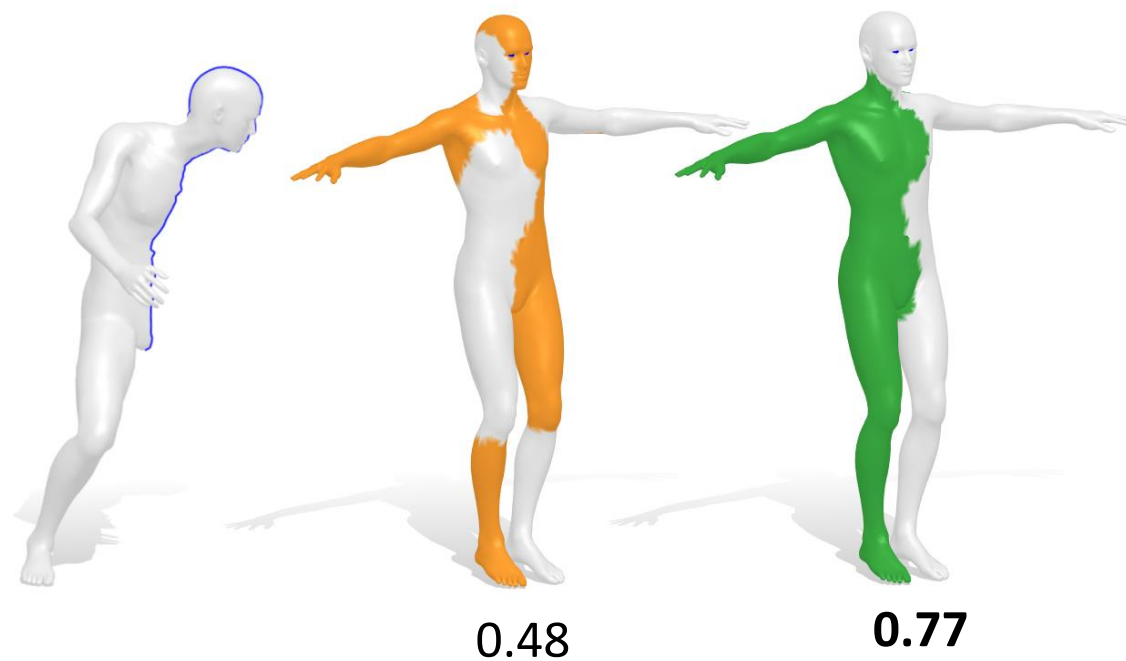
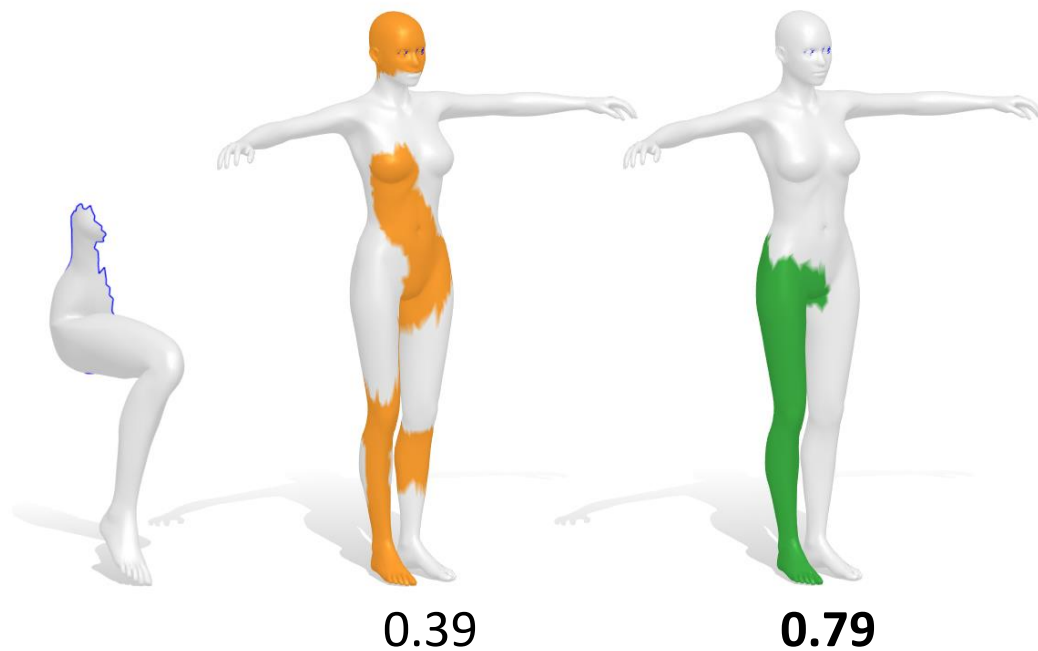
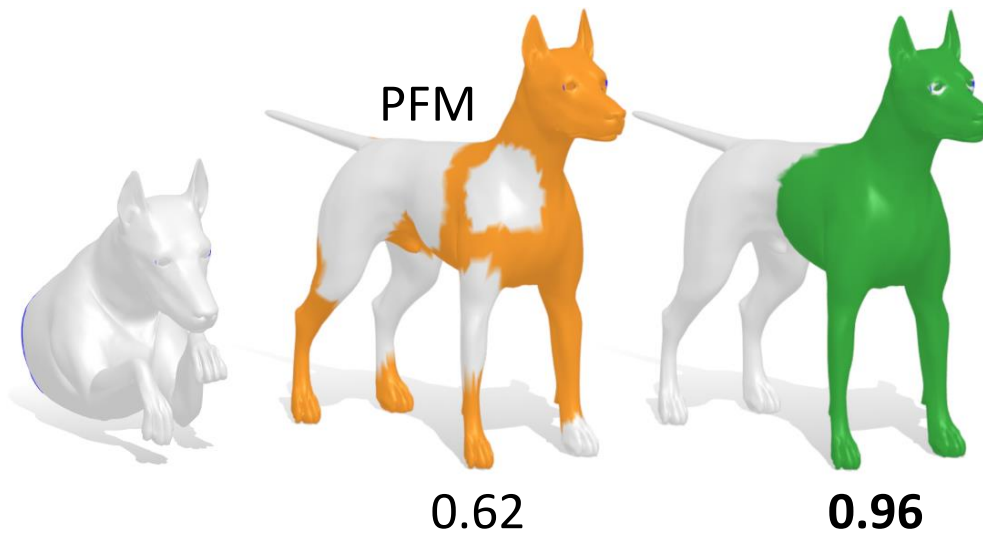
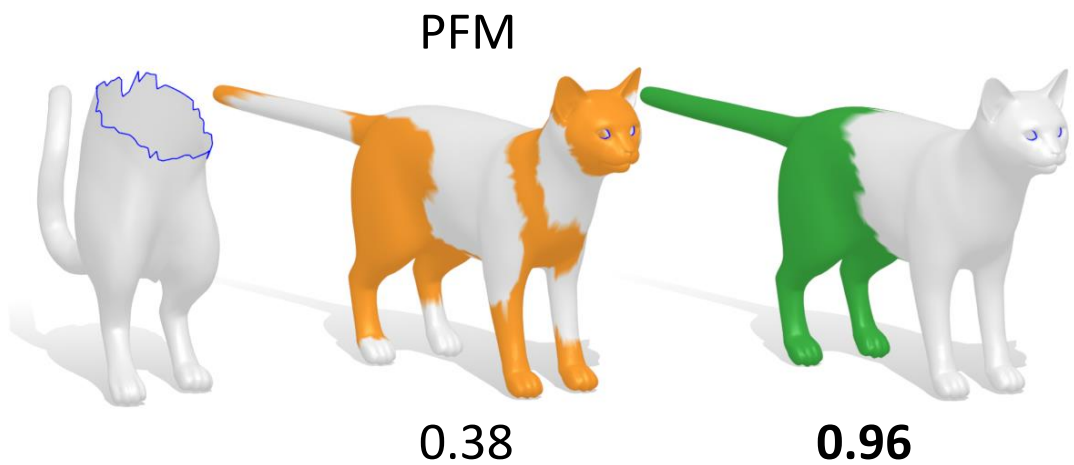
2. Invariance to isometries

~~3. No descriptors in the optimization~~

Partial Functional Maps (PFM)
is the main competitor



Qualitative comparisons



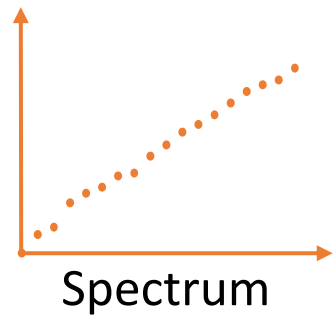
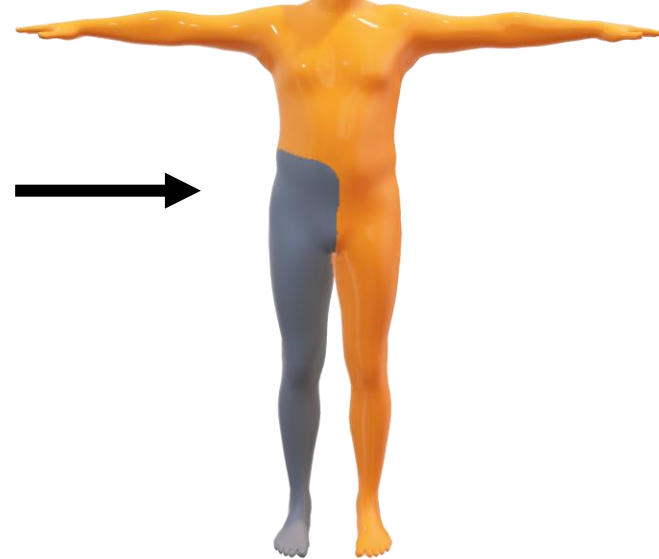
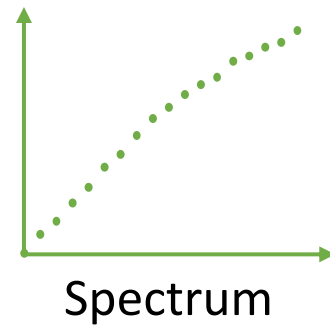
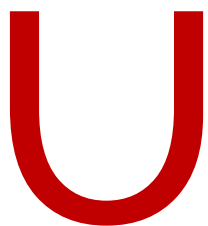
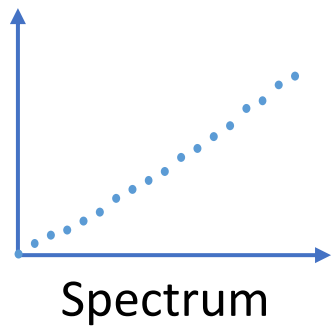
Limitations and future directions

- Different local minima
- Strong dependency on the discretization
- Computation of the spectrum is not efficient

- Improve robustness to noise
- Consider other data
- Learning pipeline

Can we perform operations in
the space of partial spectra?





Spectral Unions of Partial Deformable 3D Shapes

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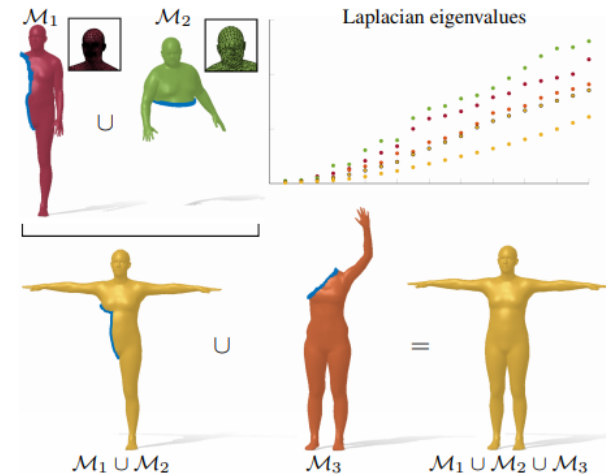
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Abstract

Spectral geometric methods have brought revolutionary changes to the field of geometry processing – however, when the data to be processed exhibits severe partiality, such methods fail to generalize. As a result, there exists a big performance gap between methods dealing with complete shapes, and methods that address missing geometry. In this paper, we propose a possible way to fill this gap. We introduce the first method to compute compositions of non-rigidly deforming shapes, without requiring to solve first for a dense correspondence between the given partial shapes. We do so by operating in a purely spectral domain, where we define a union operation between short sequences of eigenvalues. Working with eigenvalues allows to deal with



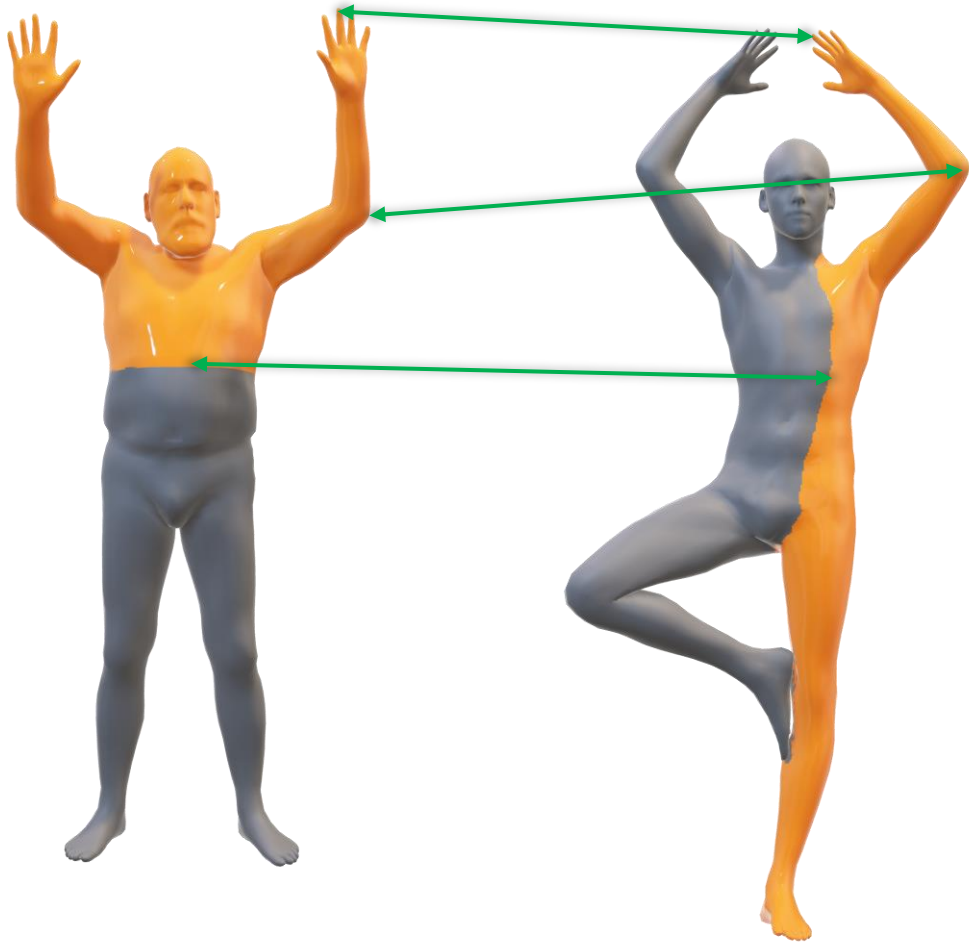
Motivation

- **Localization** of the union on a given template
- Full **geometry reconstruction** from partial views
- **Shape retrieval** from partial views

Do we need correspondences?



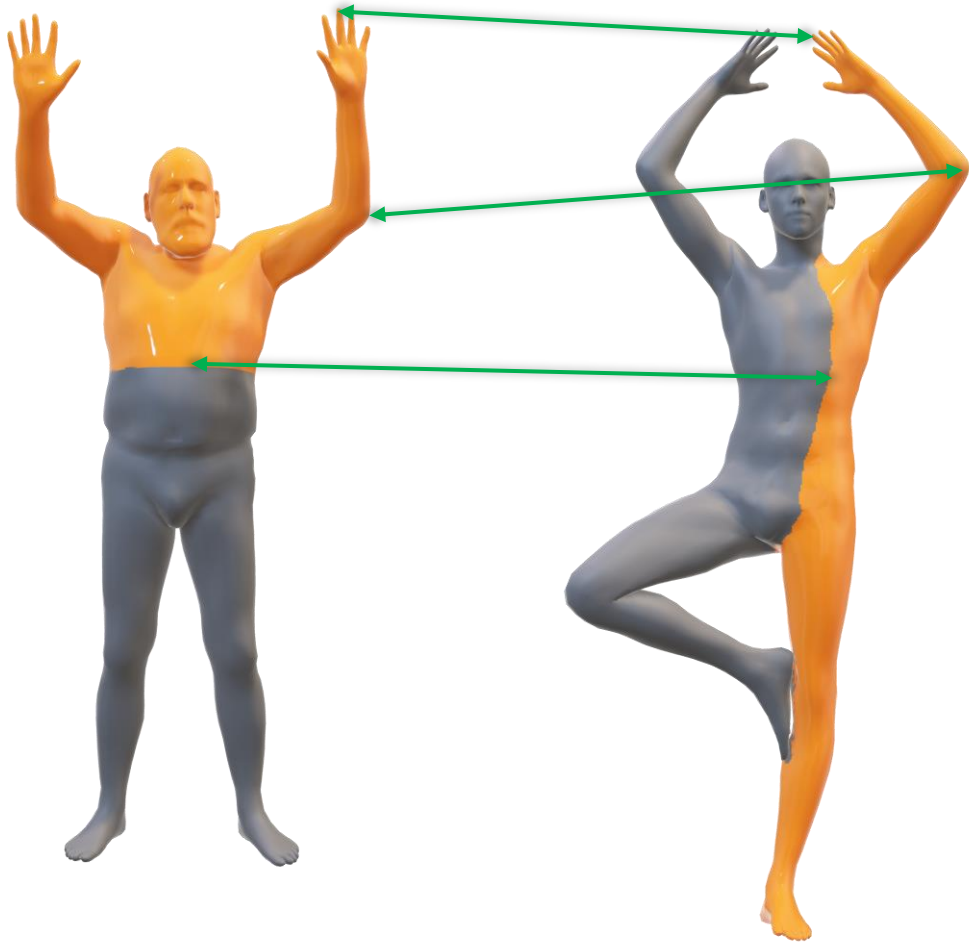
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Typical pipeline:

1. Find partial correspondence

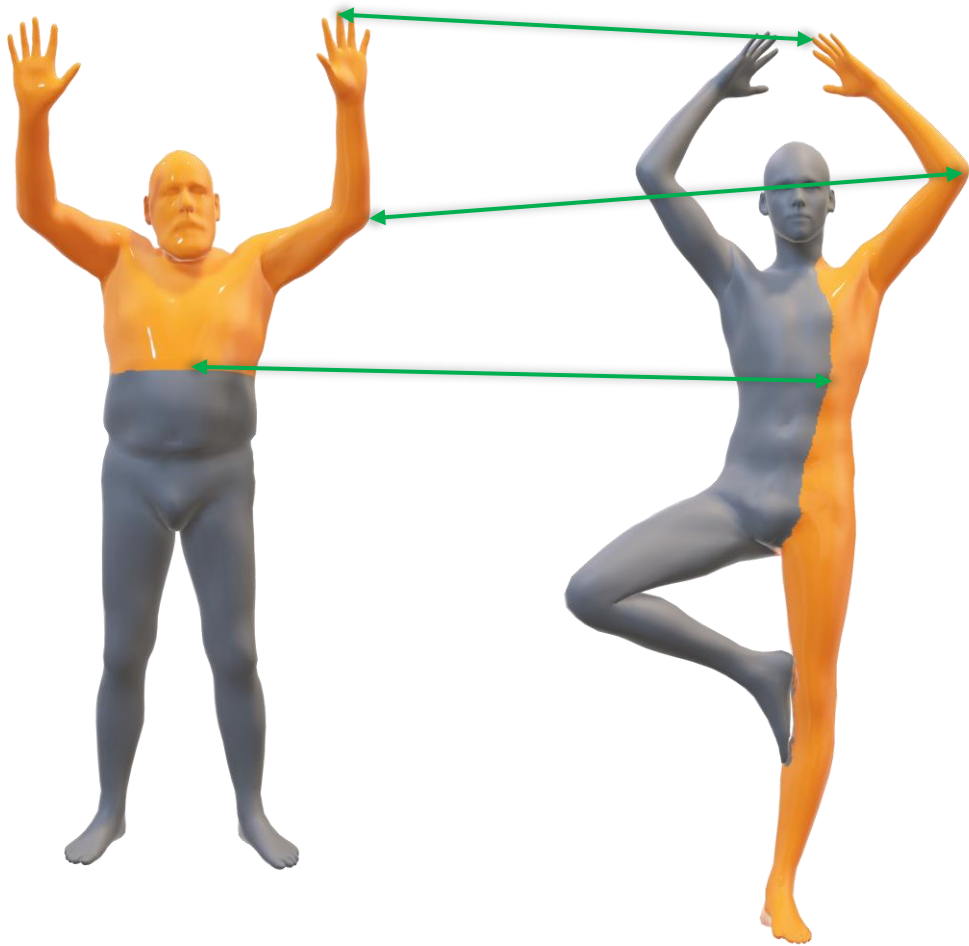
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Typical pipeline:

1. Find partial correspondence
2. Extract non-rigid transformation

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Typical pipeline:

1. Find partial correspondence
2. Extract non-rigid transformation
3. Merge partial views into a consistent discretization

Isometry invariant representation



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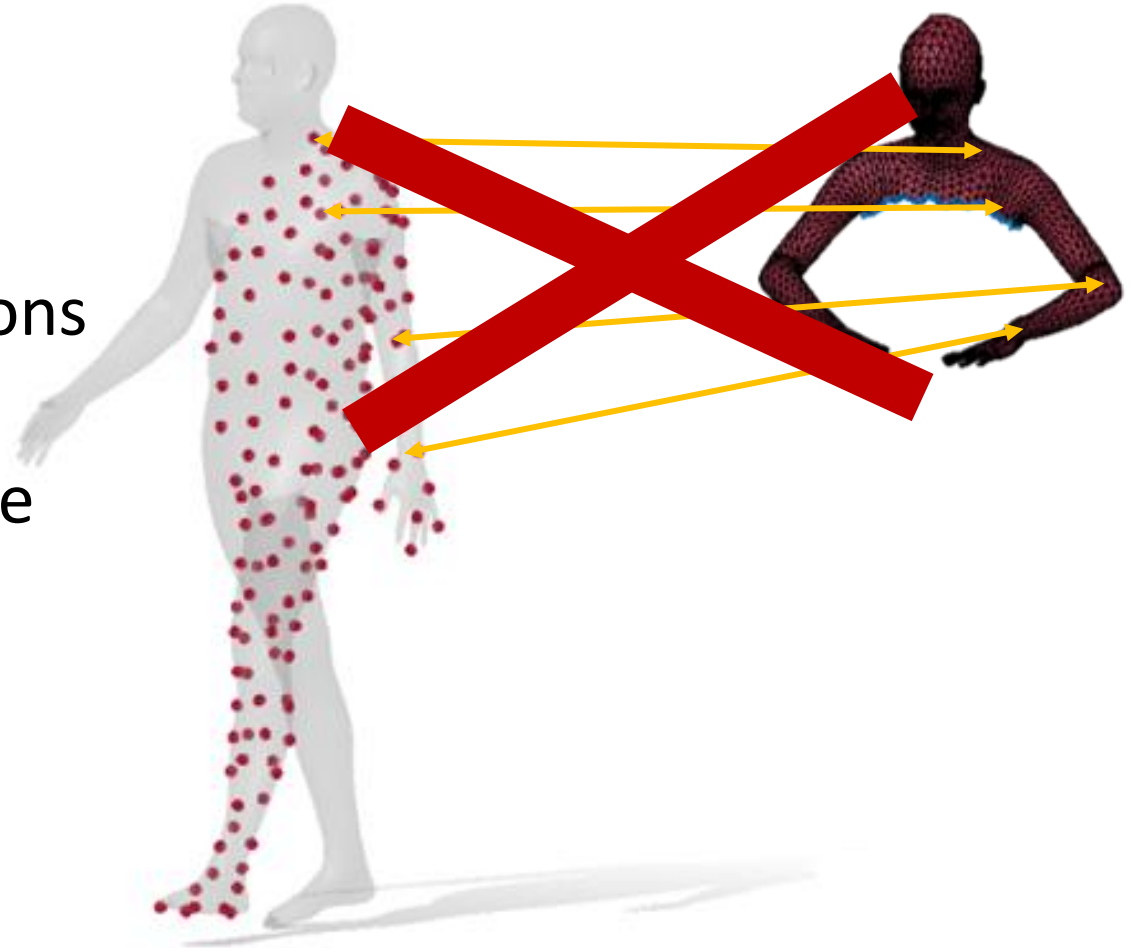


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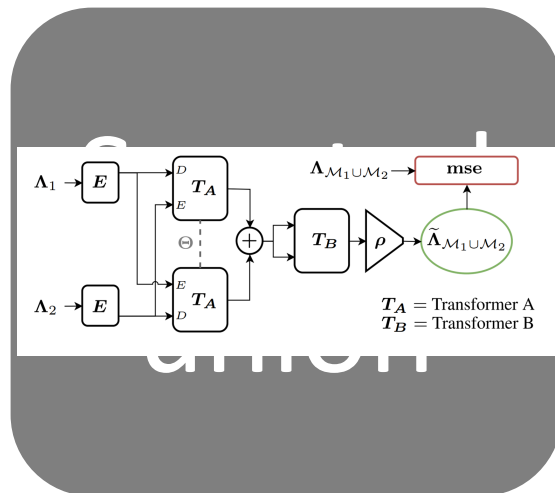
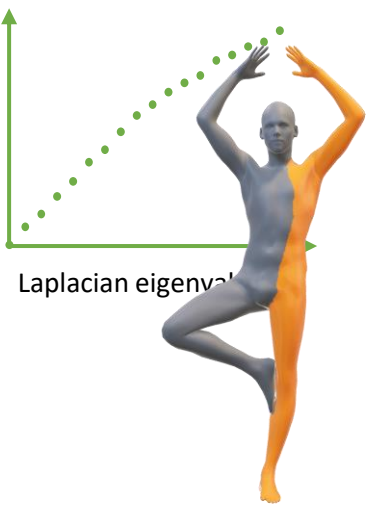
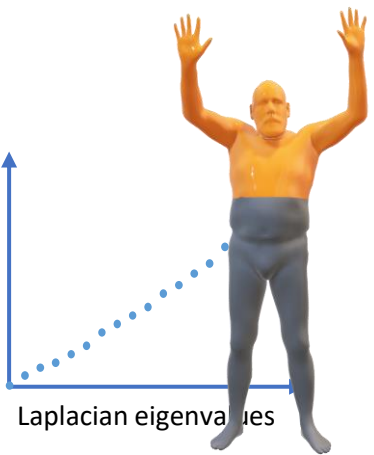


The Spectrum is the right tool

- Invariant to isometries
- Invariant to different representations
- Does not require a correspondence

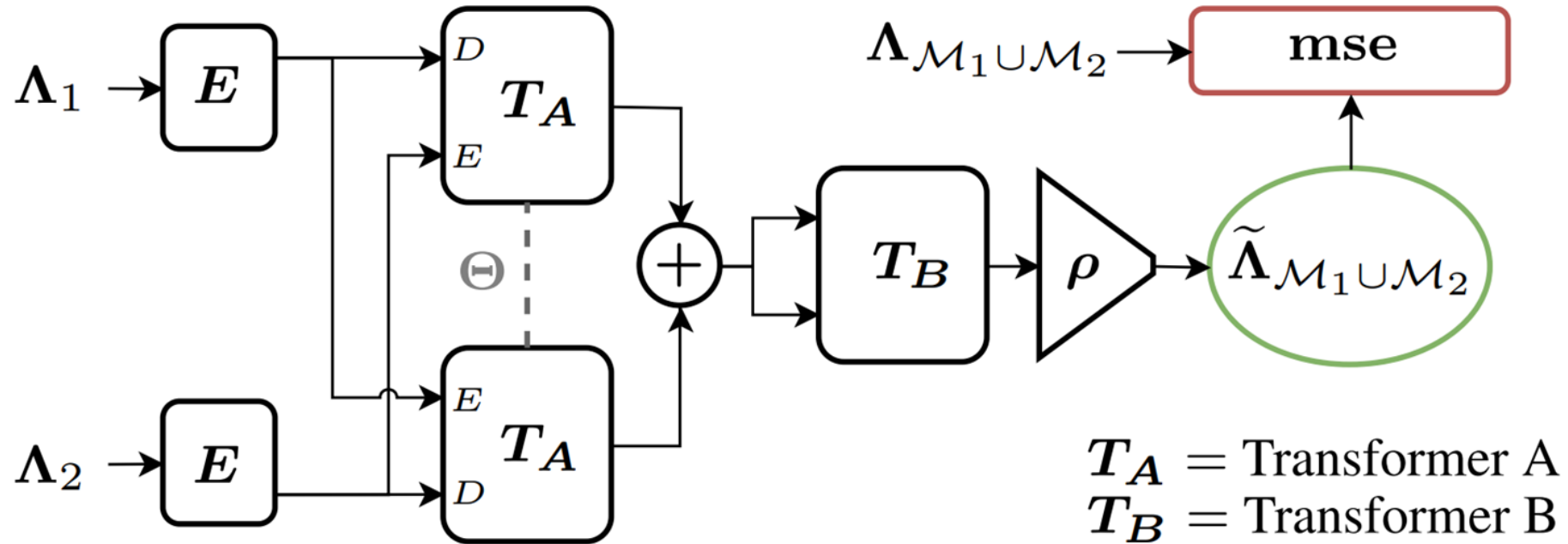


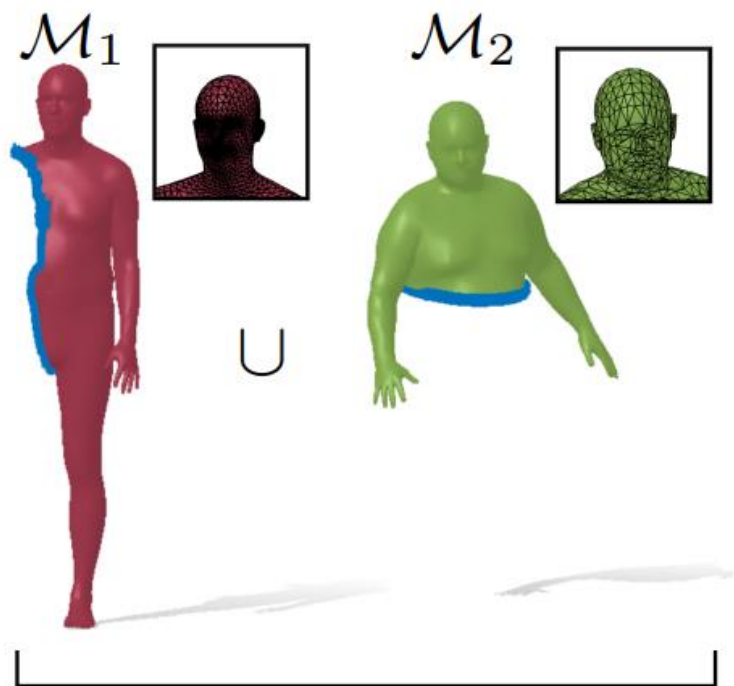
Learning the spectral union



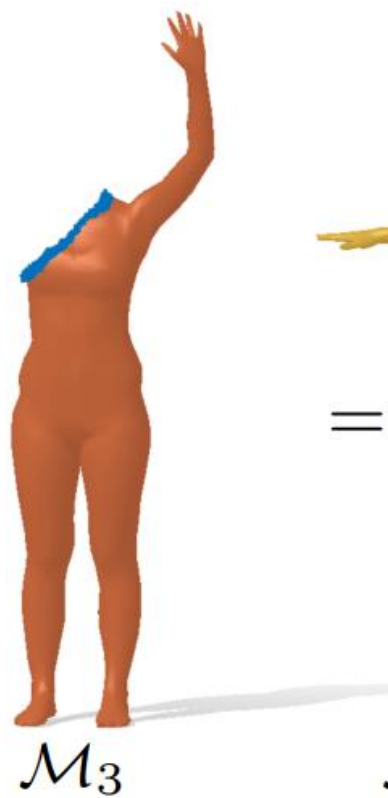
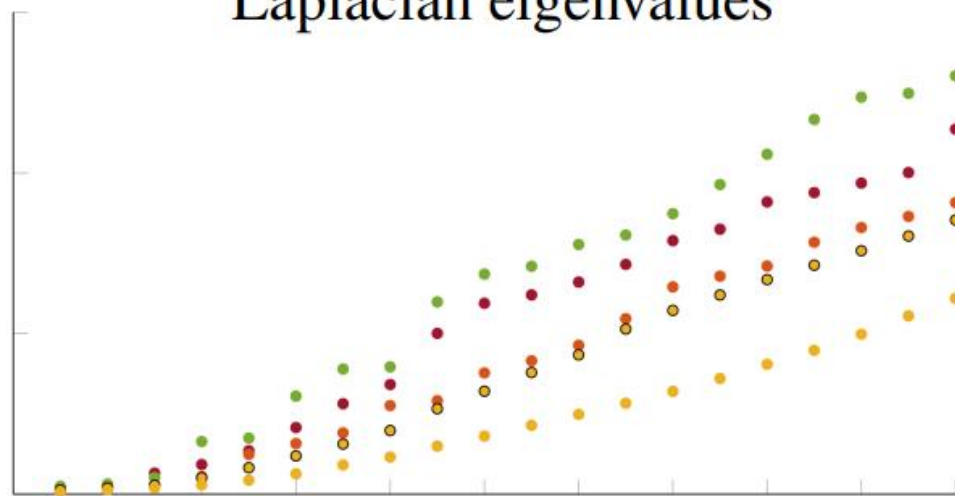
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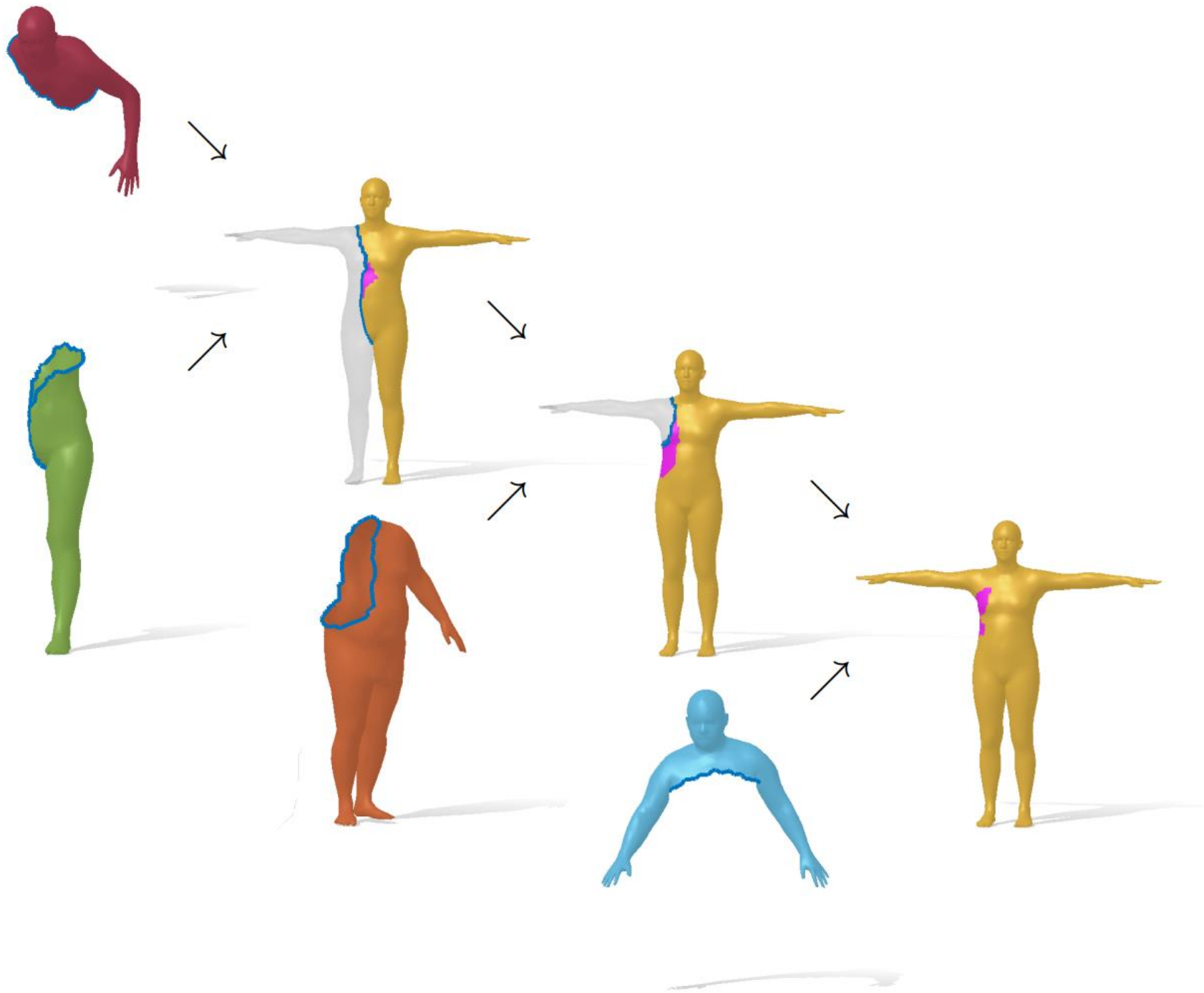
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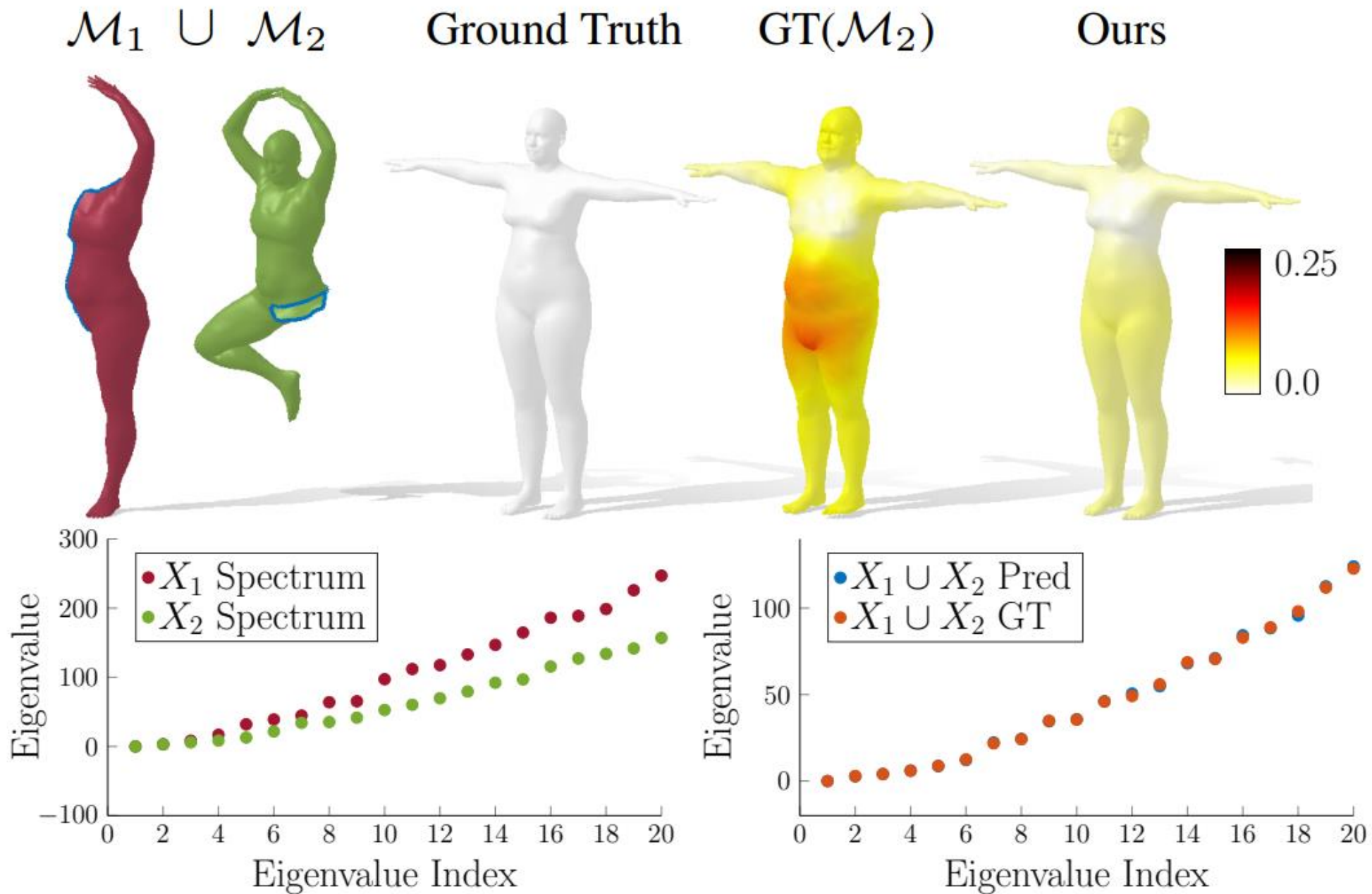




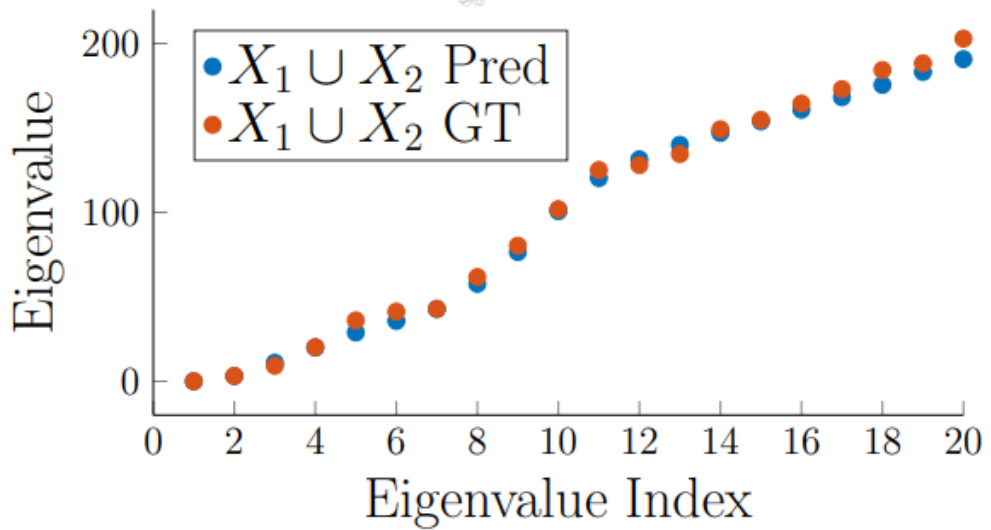
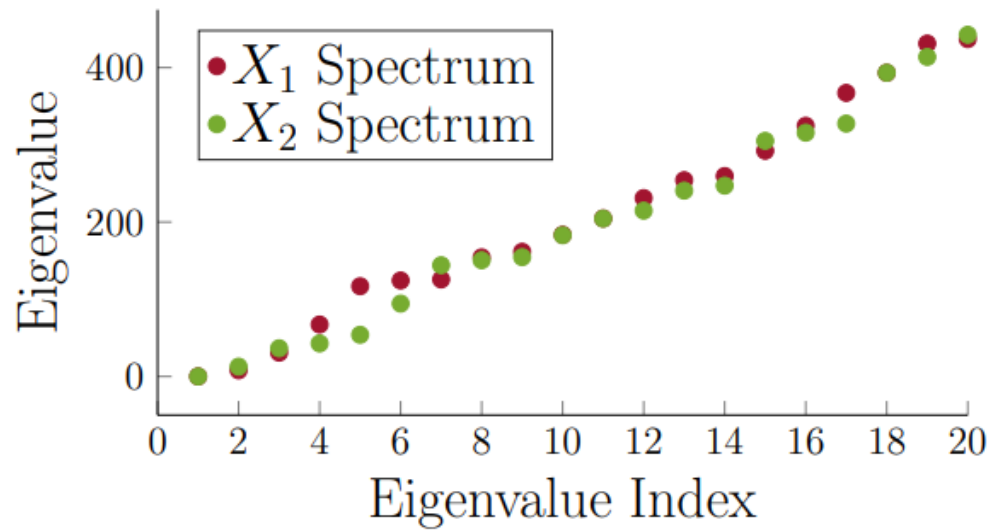
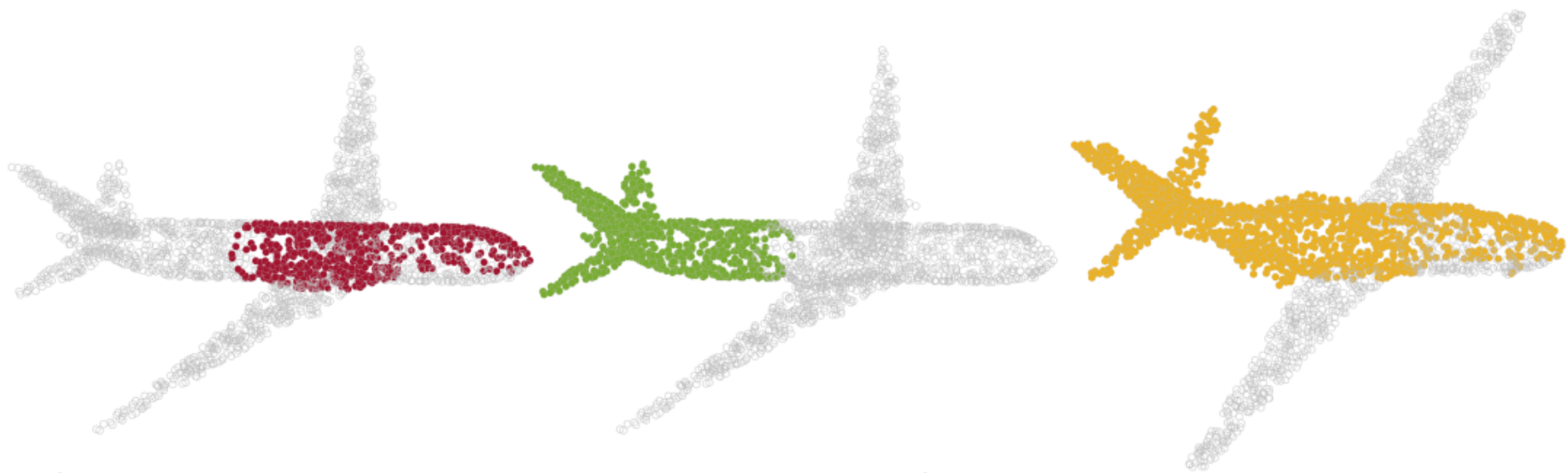
Laplacian eigenvalues

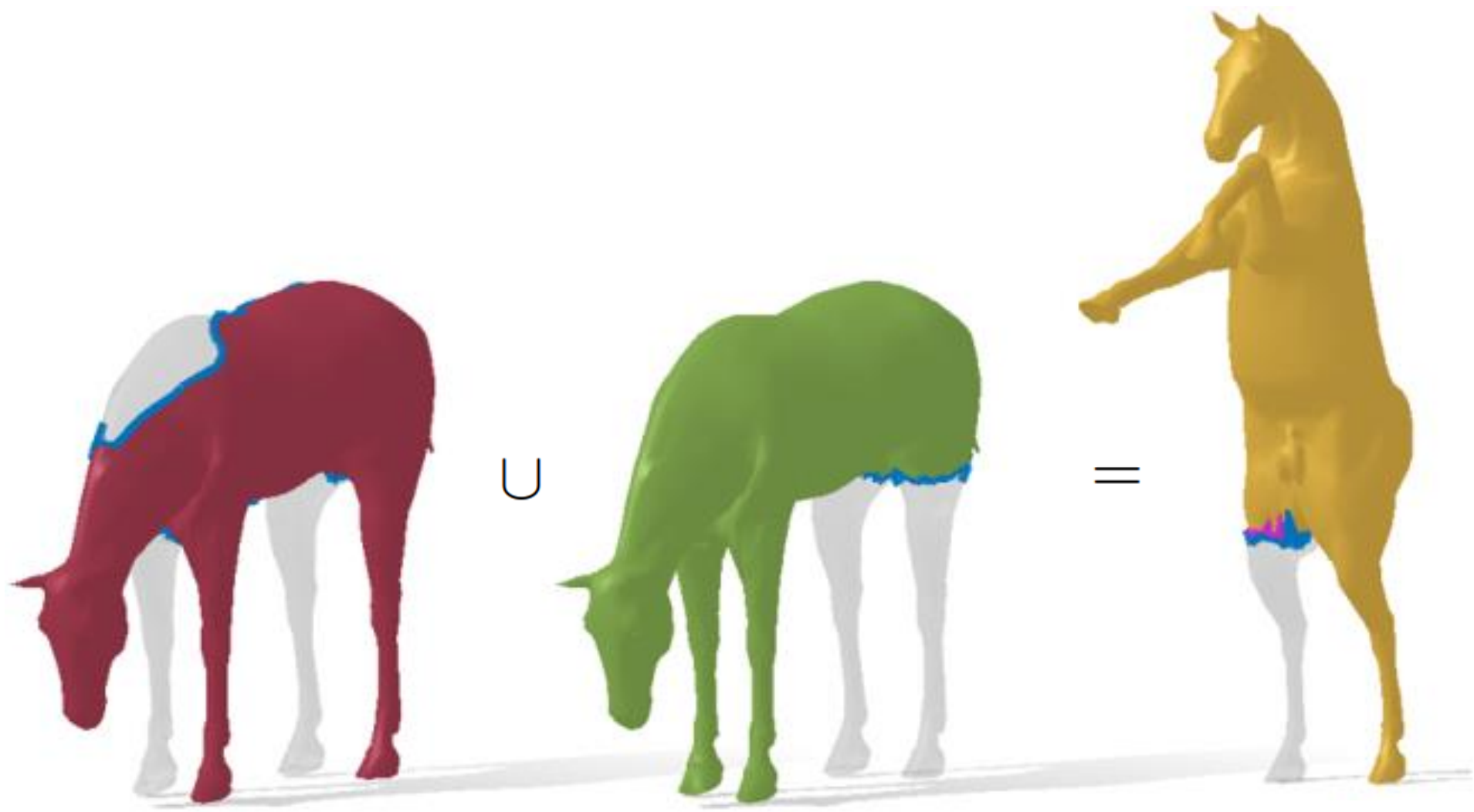






[“Instant recovery of shape from spectrum via latent space connections”, R. Marin et al., 2020.](#)





Limitations and future directions

- Different local minima
- Strong dependency on the boundary
- Missing guarantee that the predicted sequences are eigenvalues

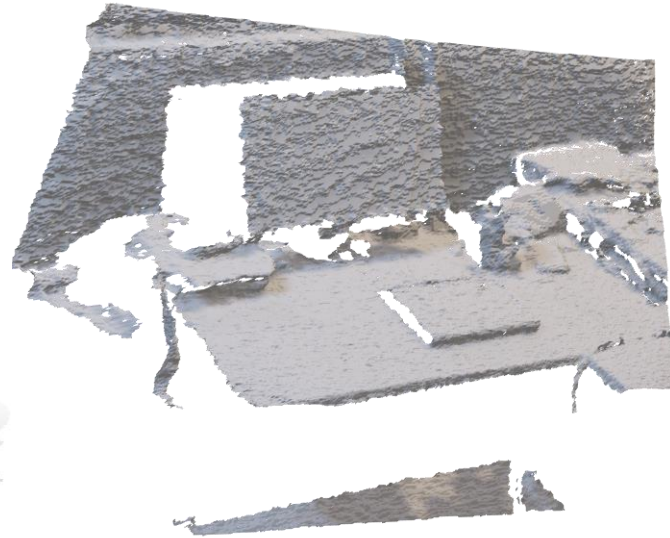
- Improve robustness to noise
- Injecting a spectral term in the loss
- Other operations

What is next?

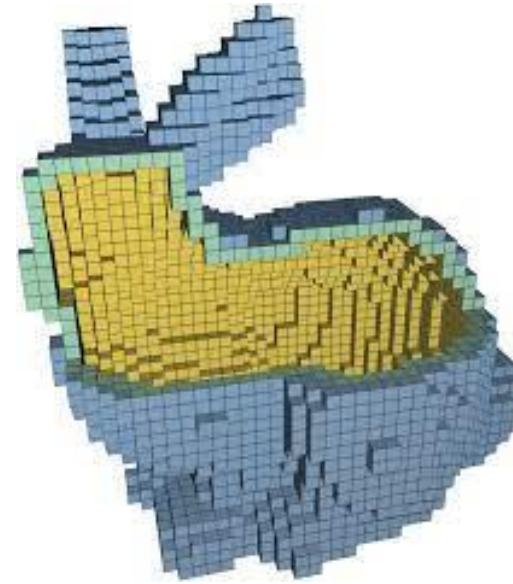
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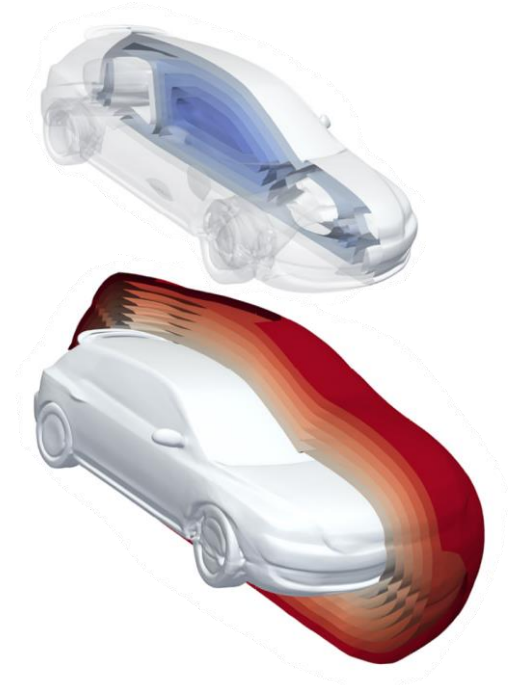
Point clouds



Range map



Volumetric



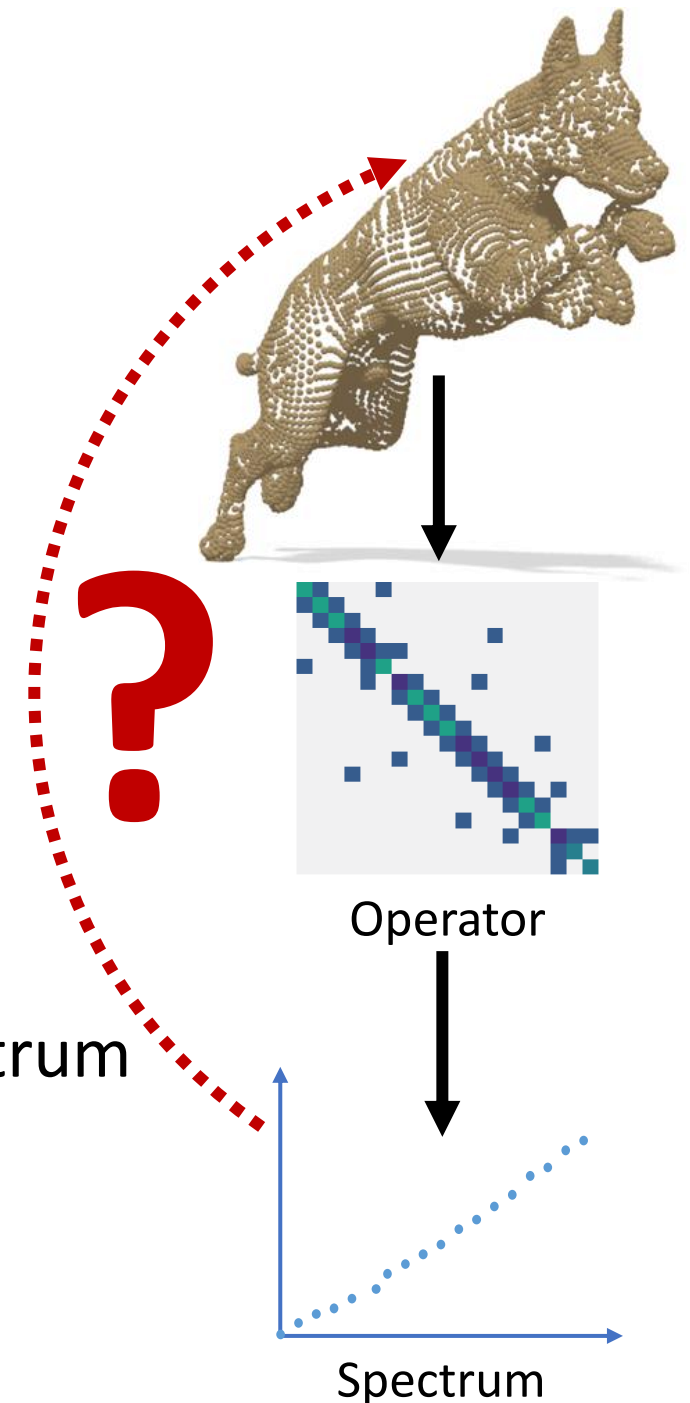
Implicit

[“Fast Parallel Surface and Solid Voxelization on GPUs”, M. Schwarz et al., 2010](#)

[“Implicit Geometric Regularization for Learning Shapes”, A. Gropp et al., 2020](#)

General approach

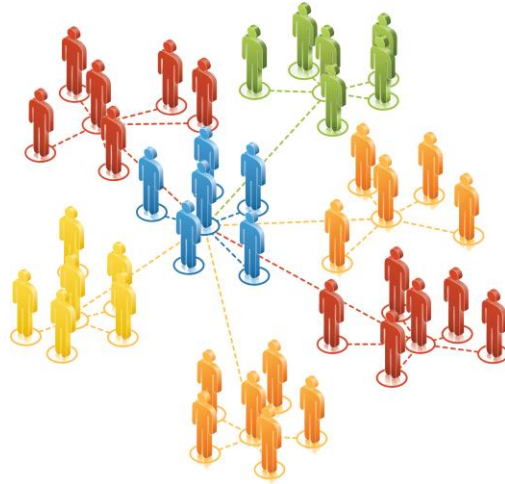
1. Define an operator (Laplacian)
2. Study its eigenvalues
3. Analyze the variables that define the data
4. Write these variables as a function of the spectrum
5. Define a procedure to solve this function



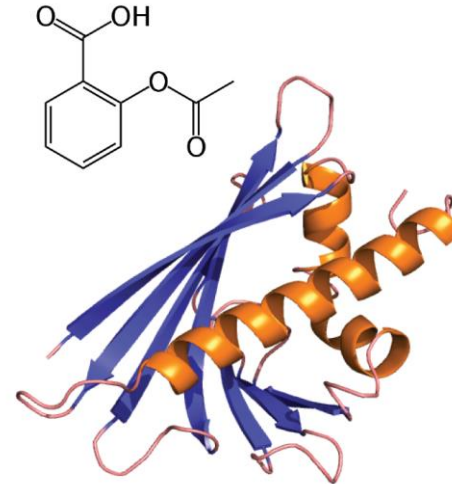
Graphs



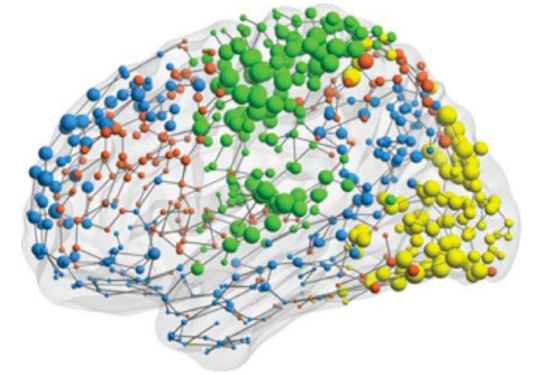
Road maps



Social networks

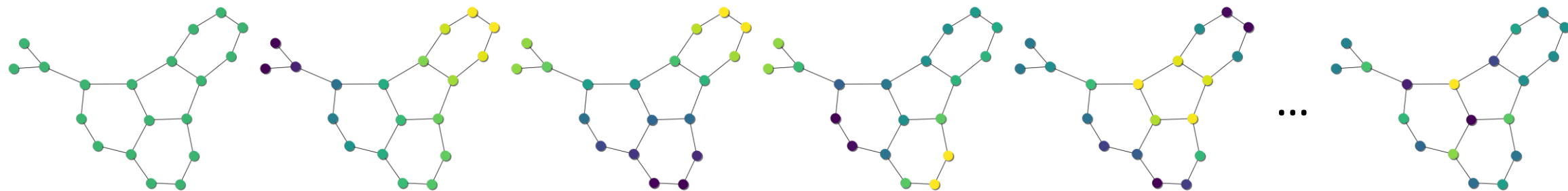


Molecules



Functional networks

Graph spectrum



$\lambda_0=0$

$\lambda_1=0.15$

$\lambda_2=0.25$

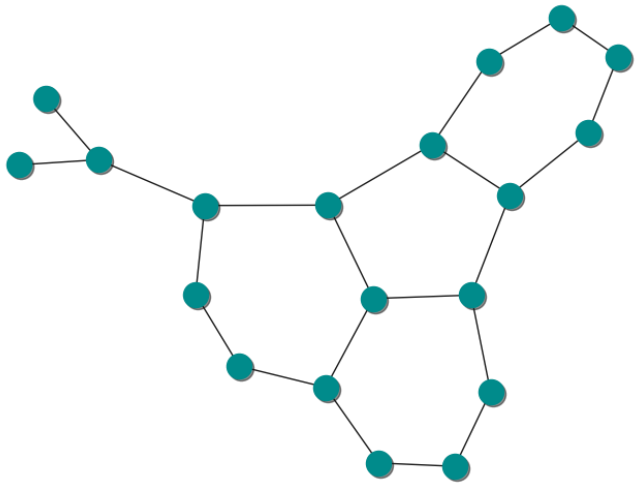
$\lambda_3=0.59$

$\lambda_4=0.95$

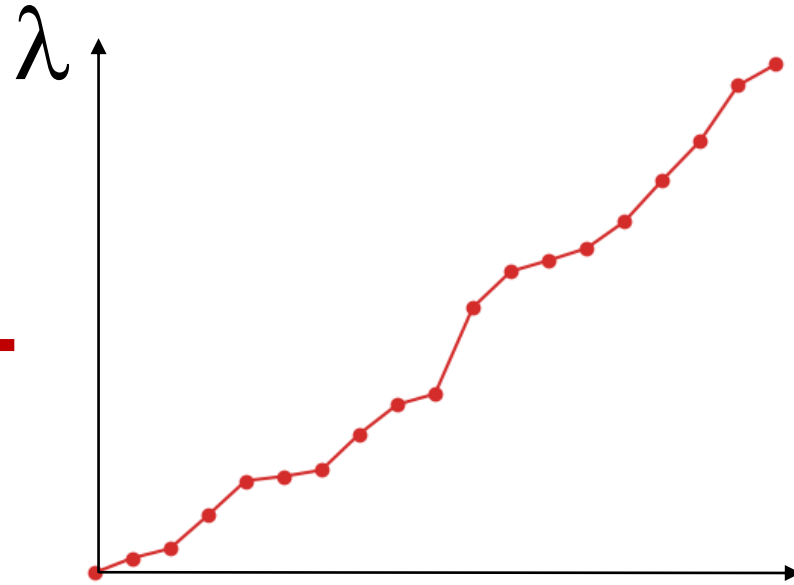
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$\lambda_{18}=5.27$

Graph spectrum



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Is it possible to recover a graph
from its eigenvalues?

General answer: NO

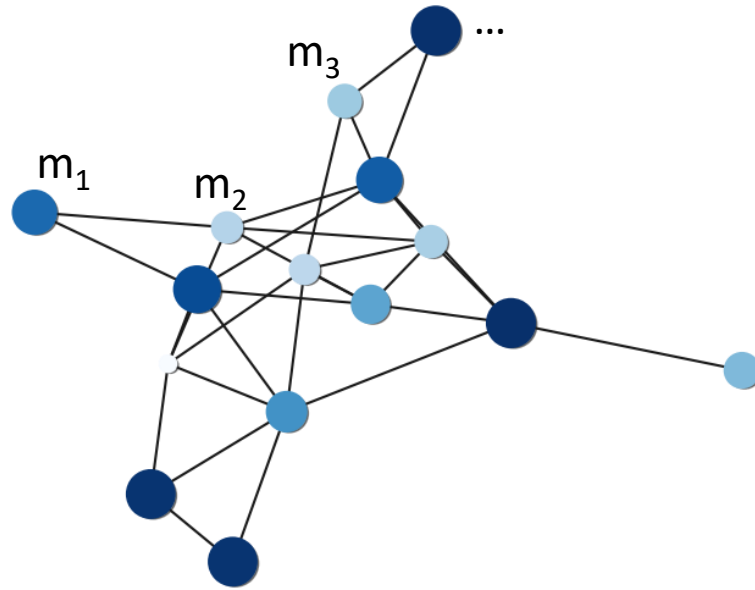
Generation of isospectral graphs

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ABSTRACT: We discuss a discrete version of Sunada's Theorem on isospectral manifolds which allows to generate isospectral simple graphs, i.e. nonisomorphic simple graphs which have the same Laplace spectrum. We also consider additional boundary conditions and Buser's transplantation technique applied to a discrete situation.

["Generation of isospectral graphs", L. Halbeisen et al., 1999](#)

A special case



Generalized eigenproblem:

$$L x = \lambda M x$$

$$M = \text{diag}(m_1, \dots, m_n)$$

Subspectral and graphs

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Authors' Review

Isospectral and Subspectral Molecules

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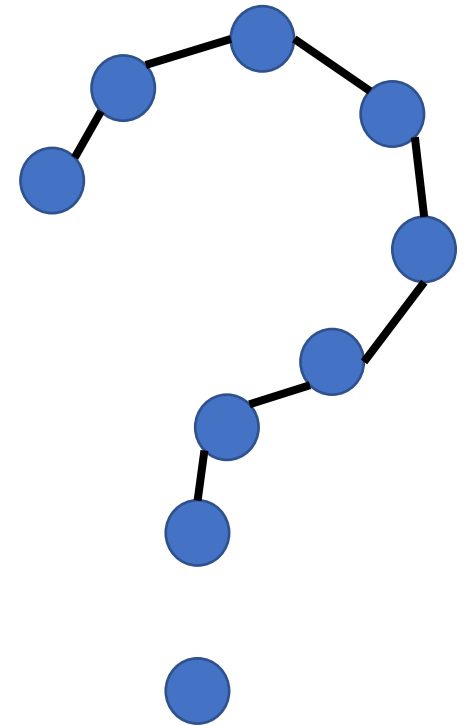
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Isospectral molecules are non-identical structures which possess the same spectrum of eigenvalues. Methods for recognizing isospectrality, procedures of Heilbronner, Herndon and Živković for constructing new isospectral mates, and the specification of the relationship among the eigenvectors of the adjacency matrix of isospectral pairs are discussed here.

["Isospectral and Subspectral Molecules", S. S. D'Amato et al., 1980](#)

Are graphs harder than shapes?

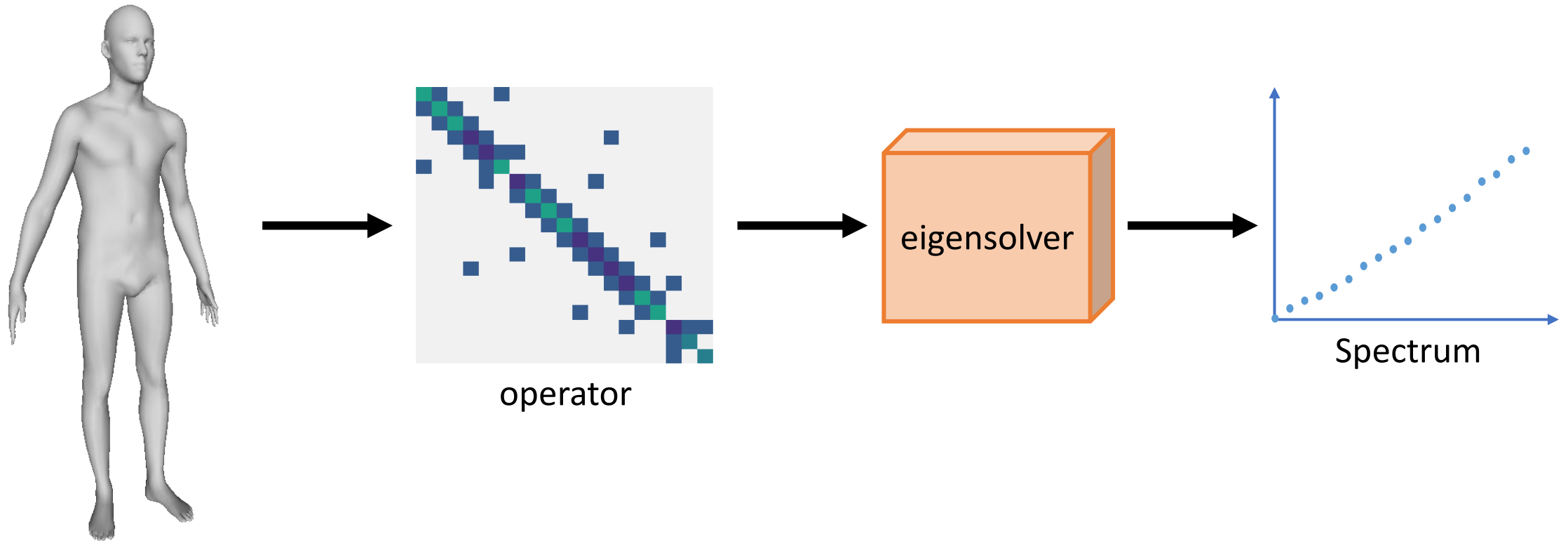
- Isospectralization recovers $3 \times N$ numbers from k eigenvalues
- it works well if we parametrize the shape with $O(k)$ parameters
- Graphs are defined by N^2 numbers of the adjacency matrix



Open problems

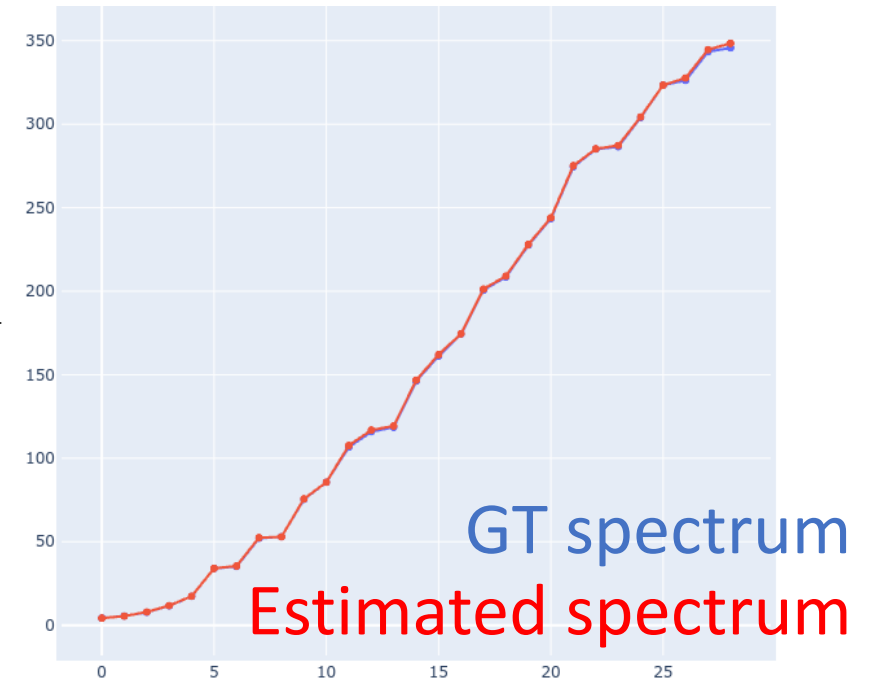
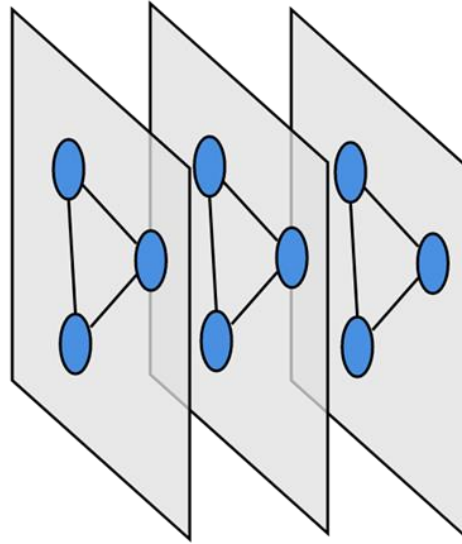
Standard eigenvalues computation

Compute eigenvalues of an operator via eigensolvers (Lanczos method)



“Alien” Learnable eigenvalues computation

We can try to learn them via neural networks.

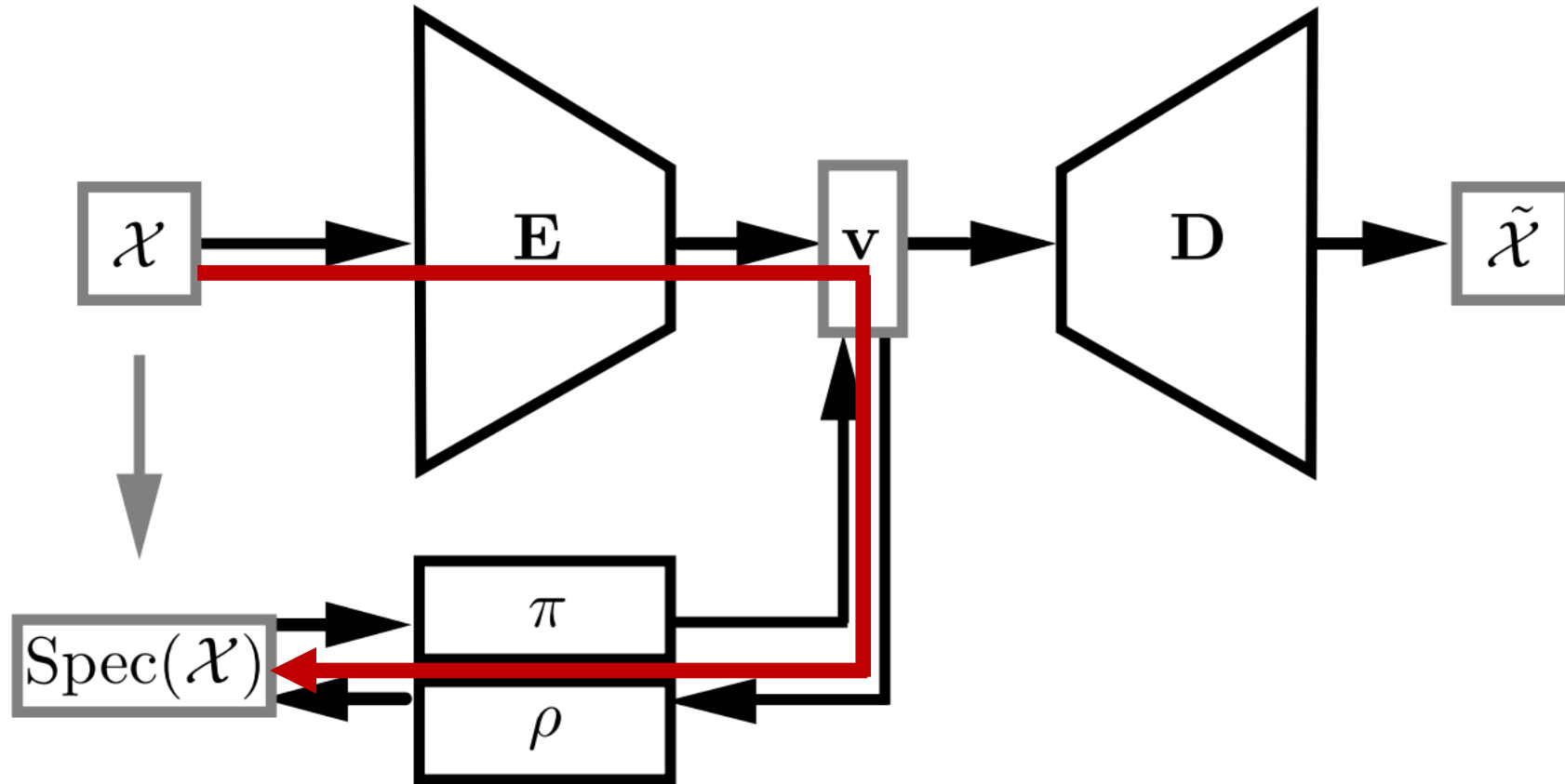


Why is it important?

- Standard methods are slow for optimization-online augmentation:
 - Standard eigensolver: ~ 0.3 s (~ 6 K vertices – first order)
 - Standard eigensolver: ~ 48 s (~ 30 K vertices – third order)
- We can use NNs as differentiable blocks in other pipelines

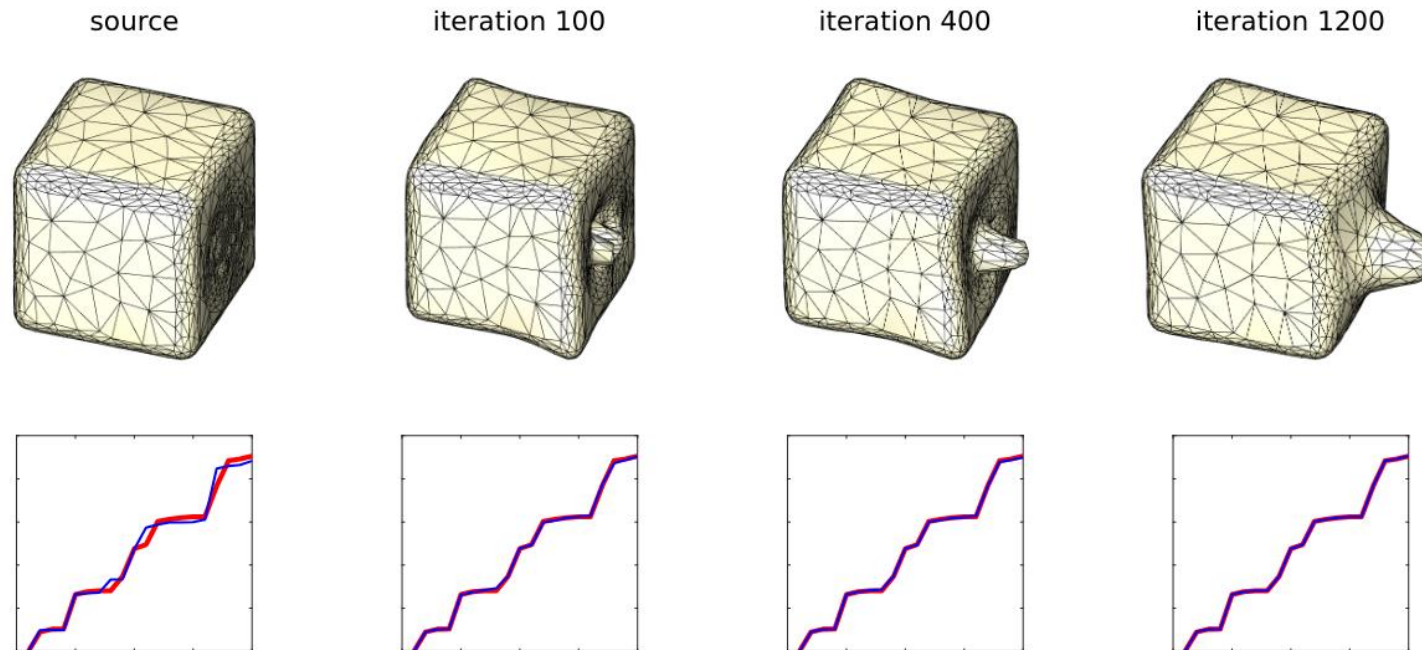


A first solution



Application: fast isospectralization

- Isospectralization requires gradient with respect to eigenvalues
- With solver is hard/slow to compute
- Use eigenvalue approximator



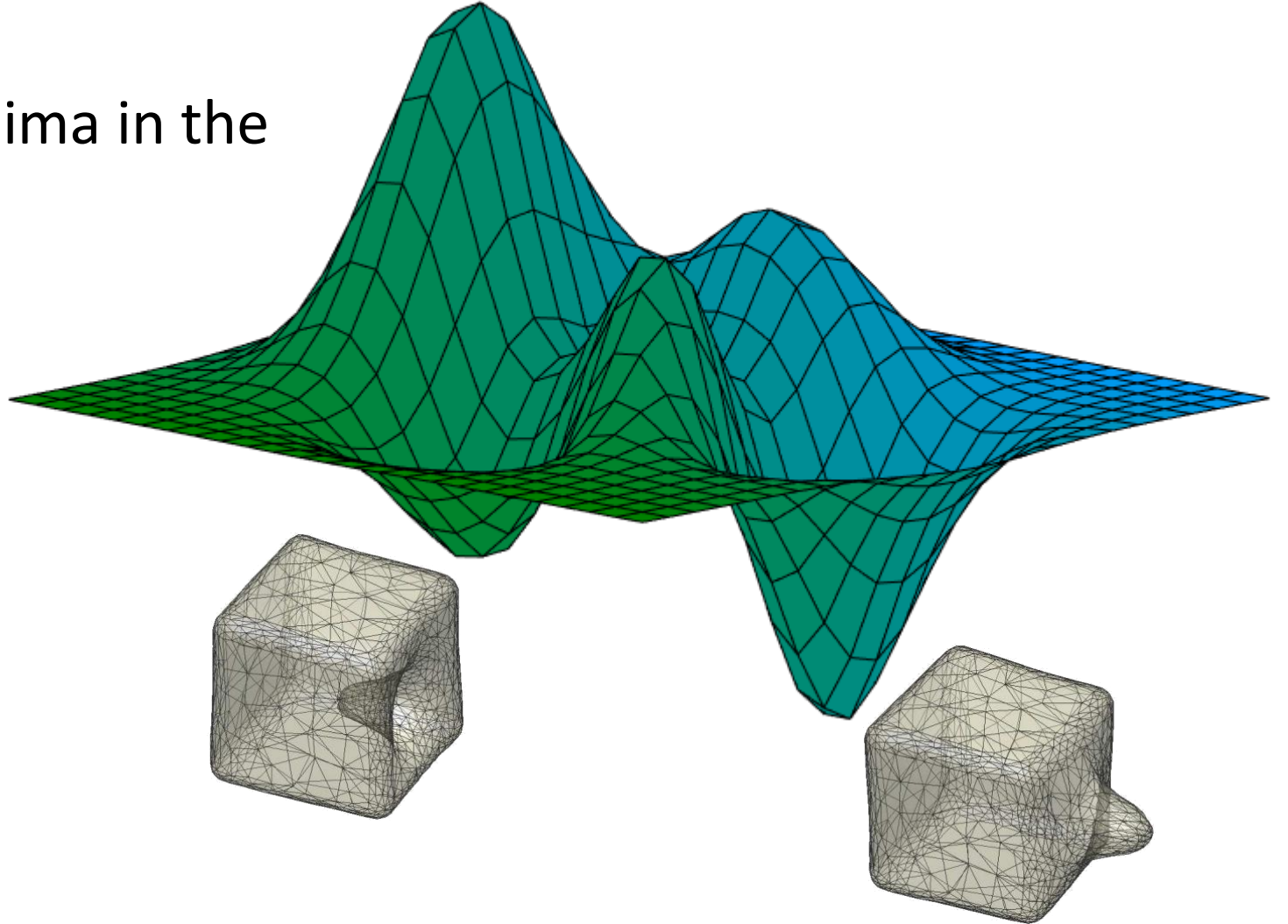
Some considerations

- Instability of higher frequencies: could be solved via hierarchical architectures
- Invariance to isometry must be imposed: $\phi(Tx) = \phi(x)$
- Training loss not clearly defined

Several local minima

Existence of several local minima in the
isospectralization problem

Symmetries and Isometries



Space of meaningful shapes

The spectral information can lead out of the space of “real” shapes



Target



With prior



Without prior



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Outline

- **Partialities and geometry processing**
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