Spectral geometry on triangle meshes

Harmonics and spectral filtering



sin(kx)

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Strings harmonics = eigenvectors of unidimensional Laplacien



$$\nabla^2 f(\mathbf{v}_i) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_i|} \sum_{e_{ij}} \frac{\cot(\alpha_{ij}) + \cot(\beta_{ij})}{2} (f(\mathbf{v}_j) - f(\mathbf{v}_i))$$

Note : You may see the version without $1/|v_i|$ here and there. Once again, the version without is the **integrated** operator (integrated over the area around vertex v_i), and the version with is the point-wise operator.

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Eigenvectors of Laplacian shoud be eigenvectors of L

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PROBLEM ! It is not symmetric : L(i,j) not = L(j,i)

Eigenvectors of L are not orthogonal

$$L = A^{-1} L_C$$

Point-wise Laplacian

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« Integrated » Laplacian :

$$\int L_{C}(i,j) = \frac{\cot(\alpha_{ij}) + \cot(\beta_{ij})}{2}$$
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Diagonal mass matrix :

 $A(i,i) = |v_i|$

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C++ : arpack++ (used for the examples made here) , Eigen3 with Spectra

An orthogonal basis

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$$\overline{\psi}_i := \sqrt{A} \cdot \psi_i$$
$$\overline{\psi}_i^T \cdot \overline{\psi}_j = \psi_i^T \cdot \sqrt{A}^T \cdot \sqrt{A} \cdot \psi_j = \psi_i^T \cdot A \cdot \psi_j = \delta_j^i$$

→ $\{\overline{\Psi}_i\}_i$ is a good choice for decomposition : It is an orthonormal basis. (choice seen in related works, not the most obvious, see next)

Decomposition

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Quad meshing

Shape retrieval

Heat diffusion

 $\{\psi_i\}_i$ is a good basis for heat diffusion :

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u(x,t) = \nabla_x^2 u(x,t) \\ u(x,0) = u_0(x) \end{aligned}$$

 $u(x,t) = \sum_{i} \alpha_{i}(t) \psi_{i}(x) \quad (\text{decompose solution on basis})$ $\partial_{t}u(x,t) = \nabla_{x}^{2}u(x,t) \xrightarrow{} \sum_{i} \dot{\alpha}_{i}(t) \psi_{i} = \sum_{i} -\lambda_{i}\alpha_{i}(t)\psi_{i}$ $\dot{\alpha}_{i}(t) + \lambda_{i}\alpha_{i}(t) = 0 \xrightarrow{} \alpha_{i}(t) = \alpha_{i}(0)\exp(-\lambda_{i}t)$ and $\alpha_{i}(0) = \int_{x} \psi_{i}(x)u_{0}(x)dx$ $\longrightarrow u(k,t) = \int_{x} \sum_{i} \psi_{i}(x)\psi_{i}(k)\exp(-\lambda_{i}t)u_{0}(x) \quad (\text{in the continuous setting})$

Heat diffusion

 $h_t(j,k) = \sum_i \psi_i(j) \psi_i(k) \exp(-\lambda_i t) : \text{heat kernel at (j,k)}$ $\{h_t(j,j)\}_t : \text{multi-scale signature of vertex j}$

Heat kernel signature

Link with :

- Spectral properties
- Physics (heat)

Different from frontpropagation approaches

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- III. Solve the Poisson equation $\Delta \phi = \nabla \cdot X$. **System**

Step I
$$(id-t\nabla^2)u_t=u_0$$

Linear system : can be prefactored indep of u_0

Step II $\vec{X} = -\nabla u_t / \|\nabla u_t\|$

straightforward

Step III
$$\nabla^2 \phi = \nabla . \vec{X}$$
Linear system :
can be prefactored indep of u_0

Laplacian operators have been studied for general polygonal meshes and pointsets :

Geodesics in Heat : value of t ?

