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# Multigrid-convergence of digital curvature estimators

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#### Objectives

A detour by digital straight segments

2D curvature by maximal digital circular arcs

Curvature by constrained optimization

Curvature by digital integral invariants

Parameter-free curvature estimation



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## Curvatures along discrete data

#### Discrete data may be ...



#### cloud of points triangulated mesh digital sampling

- estimating curvatures (mean, Gaussian, curvature tensor) everywhere
- close to the curvatures of some underlying continuous object
- data may be subject to perturbations

## Stability results for curvatures

Stability: estimated measure converge to the Euclidean one when sampling become denser [Amenta, Bern, Kamvysselis 1998] Manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , Points  $\mathcal{V}$ , Mesh  $\mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ , sampling density is  $\epsilon$ ,

- **1** Related works for meshes
  - many local estimators (1-ring or 2-ring) fitting, discrete methods, curvature tensor estimation (e.g. see [Surazhsky *et al.* 2003] [Gatzke, Grimm 2006])
  - general theory [Desbrun, Hirani, Leok, Marsden 2005] [Bobenko, Suris 2008]
  - Gaussian curvature by Gauss-Bonnet [Xu 2006]  $O(\epsilon^{\min 3,a-2})$  stability of K if  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{M} + O(\epsilon^a)$  and parallelogram and #6, a > 2.
  - normal cycle theory [Cohen-Steiner, Morvan, 2003 and 2006]  $O(\delta)$  stability of  $\int \kappa$  if  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{M} + O(\epsilon^2)$ ,  $d_H(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{M}) \leq \delta \leq \epsilon$ .
  - integral invariants [Pottman *et al.* 2007 and 2009]  $O(\epsilon/r^2)$  stab. of rel.  $\tilde{H}_r$  (param. r) if  $\mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{M} + O(\epsilon), \epsilon \ll r$
  - discrete laplace operator [Belkin, Sun, Wang 2008] stability of *h*-laplace operator if  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{M}$  for  $h \ge \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2.5}}$

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2 Related works for cloud of points

- tangent space estimation: curvatures by polynomial fitting [Cazals, Pouget 2005]  $O(\epsilon^2)$  stability (param N, degree) if  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{M}$
- curvature measures [Chazal, Cohen-Steiner, Lieutier, Thibert 2009] [Chazal, Cohen-Steiner, Mérigot 2010]  $O(\sqrt{\delta})$  stability of  $\int \kappa$  (param r) if  $d_H(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{M}) \leq \delta$ .
- orthogonal space estimation: covariance matrix on Voronoi diagram [Alliez et al. 2007, Mérigot et al. 2009 and 2011]  $O(\sqrt{\delta})$  stability of  $\chi_r$ -covariance (param r, R) if  $\delta = d_H(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{M})$ + same stability with outliers [Cuel et al.]

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## Digital data: stability = multigrid convergence

- digitization: shape  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , digitized as  $\operatorname{Dig}_h(X) = (\frac{1}{h} \cdot X) \cap \mathbb{Z}^d$
- consider finer and finer digitizations [Serra 1982]



- area of convex set by counting: O(h) conv. [Gauss, Dirichlet]
- digital moments by counting [Klette, Žunić 2000]
- perimeter [Kovalevsky, Fuchs 1992] [Sloboda,Zatko 1996] [Klette et al. 1998]

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with  $\lim_{h\to 0} \tau(h) = 0$ .

- curvature of digital curves in 2D:
  - convolution by digital binomial kernel [Malgouyres *et al.* 2008] [Esbelin *et al.* 2011] convergence in  $O(h^{\frac{4}{9}})$  (param binomial *m*) with  $m = h^{\frac{4}{3}}$
  - polynomial fitting [Provot, Gérard 2011] convergence in O(h<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>) (param roughness R) with R depending on 3rd derivatives

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- curvature of digital curves in 2D:
- curvature of digital surfaces in 3D:
  - convolution along 3 slices Euler's theorem [Lenoir 1997] empirical approach (param variance  $\sigma^2$ )
  - local iterated convolutions [Fourey, Malgouyres 2008] empirical approach (param nb iteration k)

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## Proposed estimators

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Is it possible to design a parameter free estimator ?

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## Standard digital straight line



(Arithmetic) standard line [Reveillès 91], [Kovalevsky 90]  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, \mu \leq ax - by < \mu + |a| + |b|\}, a, b, \mu \text{ integers}$ 

- slope  $\frac{a}{b}$ , shift to origin  $\mu$
- simple 4-connected path in  $\mathbb{Z}^2$

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## Maximal digital straight segments

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Definition ([Feschet, Tougne 1999], [Dorst, Smeulders 1991])

Tangential cover of C : sequence of all maximal segments of C

Theorem ([L., Vialard, de Vieilleville 07]) Tangential cover is computed in O(n)time, where n = #C

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## Digital convexity and maximal segments



## Definition (Convexity of digital shape $O \subset \mathbb{Z}^2$ ) O convex iff $Conv(O) \cap \mathbb{Z}^2 = O$ and O 4-connected.

[Kim, Rosenfeld 1983], [Minsky, Papert 1988] [Hübler, Eckhardt, Klette, Voss, ...], ..., [Brlek, L., Provençal, Reutenauer 2009]

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Theorem ([Debled-Rennesson, Reiter-Doerksen 2004])

A 4-connected shape  $O \subset \mathbb{Z}^2$  is digitally convex iff the directions of its maximal segments are monotonous.

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## Digital circular arc

#### Digital circular arc

A connected part C' of a contour C is a Digital Circular Arc (DCA) iff its interior points and exterior points are circularly separable.



Curvature of a DCA ACurvature of  $A \kappa(A) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } A \text{ linearly separable,} \\ \text{ inverse radius of any separating circle.} \end{cases}$ 

## Curvature estimator based on circular arcs

### Maximal Digital circular arc (MDCA)

A DCA A is a MDCA iff all the proper supsets C' of A in the contour C  $(A \subset C' \subset C)$  are not DCA.



## MDCA curvature estimator Let $p \in C$ , *h* the gridstep. Curvature $\hat{\kappa}^h(p) = \frac{1}{h}\kappa(A)$ , where *A* is the most centered MDCA covering *p*.

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## Accuracy of MDCA



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## Other properties of MDCA estimator

- computable in an exact manner
- time complexity:
  - worst-case  $O(n^2)$  for arbitrary digital curves
  - worst-case  $O(n^{\frac{4}{3}})$  for digitization of  $C^3$ -convex shapes
  - quasi linear-time in practice.
- parameter free
- multigrid convergence
  - experimental convergence (between  $O(h^{\frac{1}{3}})$  and  $O(h^{\frac{1}{2}})$ )
  - conditional theorem: if Ω(h<sup>a</sup>) ≤ length MDCA ≤ O(h<sup>b</sup>), for 0 < b ≤ a ≤ <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, then κ̂ is multigrid convergent in O(h<sup>min(1-2a,b)</sup>).
- not robust to perturbations
- limited to 2D curves

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- 3. Favor one shape  $X^{ref}$  among all shapes with same digitization Estimator  $\hat{\kappa} \stackrel{def}{=} \kappa(X^{ref})$

### Shape that minimizes its squared curvature

Let  $Z \subset \mathbb{Z}^2$  be some digital shape at step h.

• shape of reference = solution to a variational problem

$$X^{ref}(Z) = \arg\min_{\{X, s.t. \mathrm{Dig}_h(\mathring{X}) = Z\}} \int_{\partial X} P(s) ds$$

- if P(s) = 1, then X<sup>ref</sup>(Z) is the minimum perimeter polygon
  ⇒ multigrid convergent perimeter estimator [Sloboda et al. 1998]
- if P(s) = κ<sup>2</sup>(s), then X<sup>ref</sup>(Z) is smooth (Willmore energy) Best curvature estimates minimize total squared curvature.
## Three approaches to minimization

- 1. convex support functions
- 2. digital approach: minimization in tangent space
- 3. phase-field approximation

method	shapes	accuracy	complexity
(1. convex)	convex 2D	very good	iter $ imes O(n)$
2. digital	any 2D	correct	iter $ imes O(n^{\frac{2}{3}})$
3. phase-field	any 2D/3D	good	iter $\times O(n^2)$ / iter $\times O(n^{\frac{3}{2}})$

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### Adaptable to Hausdorff noise around curve



#### Phase field approach



$$\Omega^* = \arg\min_{\Omega_{int} \subset \Omega \subset \Omega_{ext}} \int_{\partial \Omega} \kappa^2 d\sigma.$$

PF approx. [Du, Liu, Ryham, Wang 2005]

$$F_{\epsilon}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( -\epsilon \triangle u + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \partial_u W(u, x) \right)^2 dx.$$

where  $W(s, x) = \frac{1}{2}s^2(1-s)^2$  if  $x \in \Omega_{ext} \setminus \Omega_{int}$ , and special values for x in  $\Omega_{int}$  or  $\Omega_{ext}$ .

- $\Gamma$ -convergence: as  $\epsilon \to 0$ ,  $F_{\epsilon}$  tends toward  $cst(W) \int_{\partial\Omega} \kappa^2$
- gradient flow of  $F_{\epsilon}$  approaches our optimization problem
- potential W forces  $u \approx 1$  in  $\Omega_{int}$  and  $u \approx 0$  in  $\Omega_{ext}$ .
- scheme use Fourier transform for bilaplacian then explicit integration.

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#### 3D extension of phase field method



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[Pottmann, Wallner, Yang, Lai, Yu 2007], Theorem 2

Principal curvatures  $\kappa_1(X, x), \kappa_2(X, x)$  follows

$$\lambda_{1} = \frac{2\pi}{15}r^{5} - \frac{\pi}{48}(3\kappa^{1}(X, x) + \kappa^{2}(X, x))r^{6} + O(r^{7})$$
  
$$\lambda_{2} = \frac{2\pi}{15}r^{5} - \frac{\pi}{48}(\kappa^{1}(X, x) + 3\kappa^{2}(X, x))r^{6} + O(r^{7})$$

with  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_3$  eigenvalues of  $J_r(X, x)$ .

How to cast Integral Invariants in the digital world ?

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Let  $Z \subset \mathbb{Z}^3$  be a digital shape, y any point of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$\hat{\kappa}_{r}^{1}(Z, y, h) = \frac{6}{\pi r^{6}} (\hat{\lambda}_{2} - 3\hat{\lambda}_{1}) + \frac{8}{5r},$$
  
$$\hat{\kappa}_{r}^{2}(Z, y, h) = \frac{6}{\pi r^{6}} (\hat{\lambda}_{1} - 3\hat{\lambda}_{2}) + \frac{8}{5r},$$

with  $\hat{\lambda}_1$ ,  $\hat{\lambda}_2$  two first eigenvalues of  $\hat{J}_r(Z, y, h)$ 

- 0. define a digital covariance matrix  $\hat{J}_r$
- 1. approx. error of digital covariance matrix  $\hat{J}_r \approx J_r$
- 2. influence of position error (x unknown, only  $y \in \partial_h X$  known)
- 3. impact of these errors on eigenvalues, eigenvectors
- 4. valid only for  $r \to 0$ , but  $r \gg h$ . Best r?

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# 0. Digital covariance matrix from digital moments

(p,q,s)-moments of  $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ 

for non negative integers p, q and s

$$m_{p,q,s}(Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \iiint_Y x^p y^q z^s dx dy dz$$



Covariance matrix of  $A \stackrel{def}{=} B_r(x) \cap X$ 

$$J_r(X, x) = \left[ egin{array}{cccc} m_{2,0,0}(A) & m_{1,1,0}(A) & m_{1,0,1}(A) \ m_{1,1,0}(A) & m_{0,2,0}(A) & m_{0,1,1}(A) \ m_{1,0,1}(A) & m_{0,1,1}(A) & m_{0,0,2}(A) \end{array} 
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# 0. Digital covariance matrix from digital moments

digital (p,q,s)-moments of  $Z \subset \mathbb{Z}^3$ for non negative integers p, q and s

$$\hat{m}_{p,q,s}(Z,h) \stackrel{def}{=} h^{3+p+q+s} \sum_{i,j,k \in Z} i^p j^q k^s$$



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digital covariance matrix of  $A' \stackrel{def}{=} B_{r/h}(\frac{1}{h} \cdot y) \cap Z$ 

$$\hat{U}_{r}(Z, y, h) = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{m}_{2,0,0}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{1,1,0}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{1,0,1}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{1,1,0}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{0,2,0}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{0,1,1}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{1,0,1}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{0,1,1}(A', h) & \hat{m}_{0,0,2}(A', h) \end{bmatrix} \\ - \frac{1}{\hat{m}_{0,0,0}(A', h)} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{m}_{1,0,0}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{0,1,0}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{0,0,1}(A', h) \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} \hat{m}_{1,0,0}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{0,1,0}(A', h) \\ \hat{m}_{0,0,1}(A', h) \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

1. Approximation error of digital covariance matrix

Multigrid convergence of digital moments ( $\sigma \stackrel{def}{=} p + q + s$ )  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^3, |\hat{m}_{p,q,s}(\text{Dig}_h(X), x, h) - m_{p,q,s}(X, x)| = O(h^{\mu_{\sigma}})$ 

- $\mu_0 \geq 1$  (monotonic [Krätzel 1988]),  $\mu_0 \approx \frac{66}{43}$  ( $C^{\infty}$ -convex [Müller 1999])
- $\mu_1, \mu_2 \geq 1$  (monotonic [Krätzel 1988], [Klette, Žunić 2000])
- Get rid of hidden scale constant in O $|\hat{m}_{p,q,s}(A',x,h) - m_{p,q,s}(A,x)| \le O(r^{3+\sigma-\mu_{\sigma}}h^{\mu_{\sigma}}).$ 
  - Trick: scale  $A \stackrel{def}{=} B_r \cap X$  to  $B_1 \cap \frac{1}{r} \cdot X$  and digitized by h/r.
  - Limit object is half ball of radius 1.

Multigrid convergence of digital covariance matrix  $(r \ge h)$  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \|\hat{J}_r(A', x, h) - J_r(A, x)\| = \sum_{i=0}^2 O(r^{5-\mu_i} h^{\mu_i}).$ 

- invariance by translation of (dig. or cont.) covariance matrix
- shift to origin by  $t = x h[\frac{x}{h}]$ ,  $[\frac{x}{h}]$  integer vector closer to  $\frac{x}{h}$ .

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## 2. Influence of position error ( $\hat{x} \in \partial_h X$ known)



Positioning error of moments with vector  $\mathbf{t}$   $|m_{p,q,s}(B_r(x+\mathbf{t}) \cap X) - m_{p,q,s}(B_r(x) \cap X)| = \sum_{i=0}^{\sigma} O(||x||^i ||t|| r^{2+\sigma-i}).$ Corollary, with  $\mathbf{t} = \hat{x} - x$ ,  $||\mathbf{t}||_{\infty} \leq h$  $||\hat{J}_r(A', \hat{x}, h) - J_r(A, x)|| = \sum_{i=0}^{2} O(r^{5-\mu_i} h^{\mu_i}) + O(||x - \hat{x}|| ||r^4).$ 

#### 3. Impact of these errors on eigenvalues, eigenvectors

#### Theorem (Lidskii-Weyl inequality), e.g. see [Stewart 1990] [Bhatia 1997]

If  $\lambda_i(B)$  denotes the ordered eigenvalues of some symmetric matrix B and  $\lambda_i(B + E)$  the ordered eigenvalues of some symmetric matrix B + E, then  $\max_i |\lambda_i(B) - \lambda_i(B + E)| \le ||E||$ . Hence, eigenvalues of  $\hat{J}_r$  and  $J_r$  are as close as matrix terms.

$$\hat{\lambda}_i = \lambda_i + \sum_{i=0}^2 O(r^{5-\mu_i} h^{\mu_i}) + O(||x - \hat{x}|| r^4).$$

#### 4. Theorem. What is the best r ?

Theorem (Multigrid convergence of curvature estimators  $\hat{\kappa}_r^i$ ) Let  $X \in \mathbb{X}$ . Then,  $\exists h_X \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , for any  $h \leq h_X$ , we have:  $\forall x \in \partial X, \forall \hat{x} \in \partial_h X, \|\hat{x} - x\|_{\infty} \leq h$ , then

$$\hat{\kappa}_{r}^{i}(\mathrm{Dig}_{h}(X),\hat{x},h)-\kappa^{i}(X,x)|\leq O(r)+\sum_{i=0}^{2}O(h^{\mu_{i}}/r^{1+\mu_{i}})+O(h/r^{2})$$

Reminder: O(r) comes from [Pottmann et al. 2007].

- What is the best r ?
- Without more hypothesis,  $\mu = 1$ , then setting  $r = kh^{\alpha}$ , we got  $\alpha_m = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow |\hat{\kappa}_r^i \kappa^i(X, x)| \le (cst)h^{\frac{1}{3}}$
- With more hyp. (C<sup>3</sup> − convex, K > 0) and better positioning of x̂, we could have α<sub>m</sub> ≈ 0.434 and error in O(h<sup>0.434</sup>).

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### Experimentation

#### Evaluation framework

- Family of Euclidean shapes with exact curvature information
- Digitization process at resolution h
- Error metrics  $I_{\infty}$  error (worst case),  $I_2$  error



## Validation of $\alpha$ parameter

Convolution kernel radius

Asymptotic  $l_\infty$  error when h 
ightarrow 0, for varying lpha,  $r=5h^lpha$ 



#### Comparison on 2D shapes







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#### Mean curvature and principal directions



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## Some words about implementation



- Open-source C++ library
- Geometry structures, algorithm & tools for digital data
- http://libdgtal.org

Optimization with displacement masks + depth-first traversal

Complexity:

 $\frac{x}{2}\frac{x}{2} + \delta$ 

- without optimization: O(n(r/h)<sup>d</sup>)
- with optimization:  $O(n(r/h)^{d-1})$



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## Summary of digital curvature estimators



# Is there an automatic way to set parameter $r = kh^{\frac{1}{3}}$ ?



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## Multigrid-convergence of digital curvature estimators

Objectives

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2D curvature by maximal digital circular arcs

Curvature by constrained optimization

Curvature by digital integral invariants

Parameter-free curvature estimation

# How to estimate consistently the radius $r = kh^{\frac{1}{3}}$ ?

- suppose *h* is not given/known ?
- we cannot estimate the scale of some X, since  $\operatorname{Dig}_h(X) = \operatorname{Dig}_{sh}(s \cdot X)$
- however we can estimate the appropriate radius r = kh<sup>1/3</sup> without more knowledge
- hence we will get the same relative error on curvature estimates whatever the scale or gridstep.
- we use asymptotic properties of maximal segments

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### Asymptotic results on max. segments

#### Thm [L. 2006], [de Vieilleville, L., Feschet 2007]

Along digitizations of  $C^3$ -convex shapes (curvature  $\kappa > 0$ ), digital length  $L_D$  and Euclidean length L of maximal segments follow:

	shortest	average	longest
$L_D(MS)$	$\Omega(h^{-\frac{1}{3}})$	$\Theta(h^{-rac{1}{3}}) \leq \cdot \leq \Theta(h^{-rac{1}{3}}\log rac{1}{h})$	$O(h^{-\frac{1}{2}})$
L(MS)	$\Omega(h^{\frac{2}{3}})$	$\Theta(h^{rac{2}{3}}) \leq \cdot \leq \Theta(h^{rac{2}{3}}\lograc{1}{h})$	$O(h^{rac{1}{2}})$

- average length:
  - lattice polytope theory (Thm by [Balog, Bárány 91])  $c_1(X)h^{-\frac{2}{3}} \leq n_{vtx}(\operatorname{Conv}(\operatorname{Dig}_h(X)) \leq c_2(X)h^{-\frac{2}{3}}$
  - · relating maximal segments to edges of convex hull
  - · log term linked to depth of continued fractions
- longest max. segment  $= O(h^{-\frac{1}{2}})$  (geometry)
- shortest max. segment =  $\Omega(h^{-\frac{1}{3}})$  [L. 06] (separating circles)

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## Estimating $r = kh^{\frac{1}{3}}$ with max. segments



- Let  $\mathcal{L} = \text{Average}(L_D(MS))$
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- thus  $\mathcal{L}^2 \approx \Theta(h^{-\frac{2}{3}}) \propto r/h$
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- For constant k, we choose <sup>1</sup>/<sub>5</sub> since L<sub>D</sub>(MS) = 5 for the sphere of radius 1

# (Completely) parameter-free integral invariant



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 $I_{\infty}$  error



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## Thank you for your attention !



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