



Important property

 Tangential components do not affect the geometry of an evolving curve

$$C_{t} = \vec{V} \Leftrightarrow C_{t} = \langle \vec{V}, \vec{n} \rangle \vec{n}$$

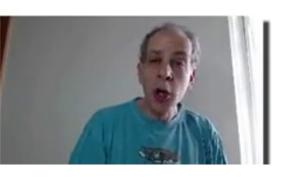
$$C_{t} = \sqrt{\vec{V}} \Leftrightarrow C_{t} = \langle \vec{V}, \vec{n} \rangle \vec{n}$$

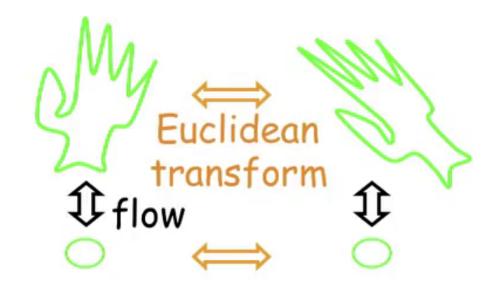
Curvature flow

Euclidean geometric heat equation

$$C_t = \kappa \vec{n}$$

$$C_t = C_{ss}$$
 where $C_{ss} = \kappa \vec{n}$





Curvature flow $C_t = \kappa \vec{n}$





First becomes convex

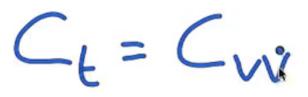


Vanish at a Circular point





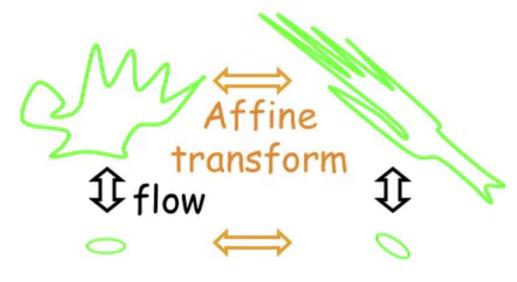
Affine heat equation $C_{\xi} = C_{vv}$



• Special (equi-)affine heat flow $C_t = \kappa^{\frac{1}{3}} \vec{n}$

$$C_t = \langle C_{vv}, \vec{n} \rangle \vec{n}$$
 where $\langle C_{vv}, \vec{n} \rangle = \kappa^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Given any simple planar curve



First becomes convex

Vanish at an elliptical point

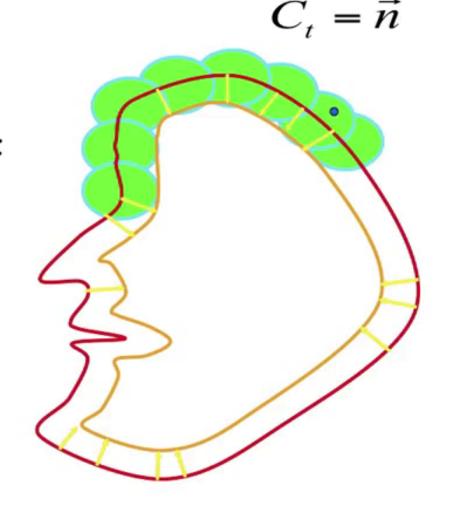






Constant flow

- Offset curves
- Equal-height contours of the distance transform
- Envelope of all disks of equal radius centered along the curve (Huygens principle)



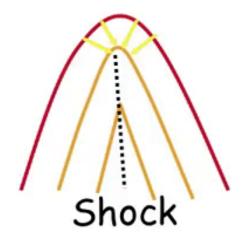


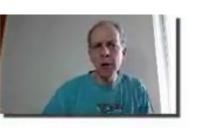
Constant flow

$$C_t = \vec{n}$$

Offset curves







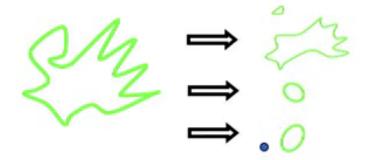
So far we defined

Constant flow
Curvature flow
Equi-affine flow

$$C_t = \vec{n}$$

$$C_t = \kappa \vec{n}$$

$$C_t = \kappa^{\frac{1}{3}} \vec{n}$$





$$C_t = V\vec{n}$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} L &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \oint \left\langle C_p, C_p \right\rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} dp = 2 \oint \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} C_p, C_p \right\rangle dp = \dots = -\int_0^L \kappa V ds \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \oint \left(C, C_p \right) dp = \oint \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} C, C_p \right) dp + \oint \left(C, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} C_p \right) dp = \dots = -\int_0^L V ds \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \kappa &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\left(C_p, C_{pp} \right)}{\left\langle C_p, C_p \right\rangle^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) = \dots = V_{ss} + \kappa^2 V \end{split}$$

$$L_t = -\int_0^L \kappa V ds$$





$$A_t = \int_0^L V ds$$



Curvature
$$\kappa_t = V_{ss} + \kappa^2 V$$





Constant flow (V = 1)

Length
$$L_t = -\int_0^L \kappa V ds = -\int_0^L \kappa ds = -2\pi$$

Area
$$A_t = -\int_0^L V ds = -\int_0^L ds = -L$$

Curvature
$$\kappa_t = V_{ss} + \kappa^2 V = \kappa^2$$



Riccati eq.

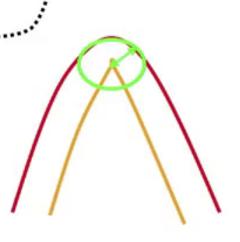
Singularity (`shock') at

$$t = \frac{L(0)}{2\pi}$$

$$\kappa(p,t) = \frac{\kappa(p,0)}{1-t\kappa(p,0)}$$

$$t = \rho(p,0)$$







Curvature flow $(V = \kappa)$

$$L_{t} = -\int_{0}^{L} \kappa V ds = -\int_{0}^{L} \kappa^{2} ds$$

$$A_t = -\int_0^L V ds = -\int_0^L \kappa ds = -2\pi$$

Curvature
$$\kappa_t = V_{ss} + \kappa^2 V = \kappa_{ss} + \kappa^3$$

The curve vanishes at

$$t = \frac{A(0)}{2\pi}$$
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Equi-Affine flow $(V = \kappa^{1/3})$

Length

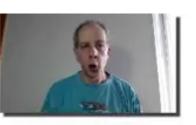
Area

Curvature

$$L_{t} = -\int_{0}^{L} \kappa V ds = -\int_{0}^{L} \kappa^{4/9} ds$$

$$A_{t} = -\int_{0}^{L} V ds = -\int_{0}^{L} \kappa^{\frac{1}{3}} ds$$

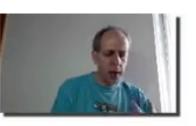
$$K_t = V_{ss} + \kappa^2 V = \frac{1}{3} \kappa^{-\frac{2}{3}} K_{ss} - \frac{2}{9} \kappa^{-\frac{5}{3}} K_s^2 + \kappa^{\frac{7}{3}}$$



Geodesic active contours

$$C_{t} = \left(g(x, y)\kappa - \left\langle \nabla g(x, y), \vec{n} \right\rangle \right) \vec{n}$$





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Surface evolution...

