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## Graph Geometry-Preserving Autoencoders

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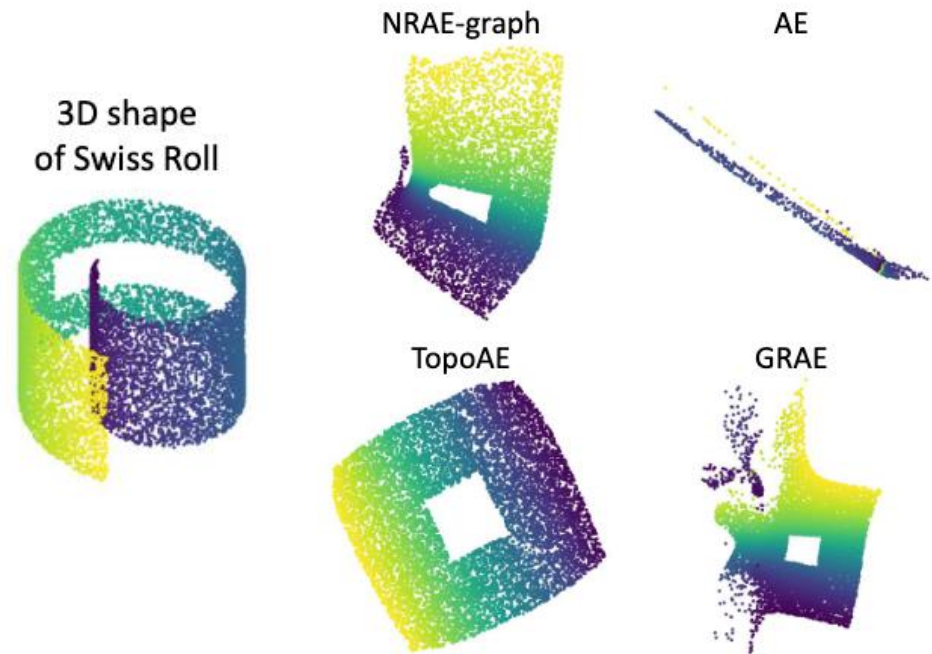
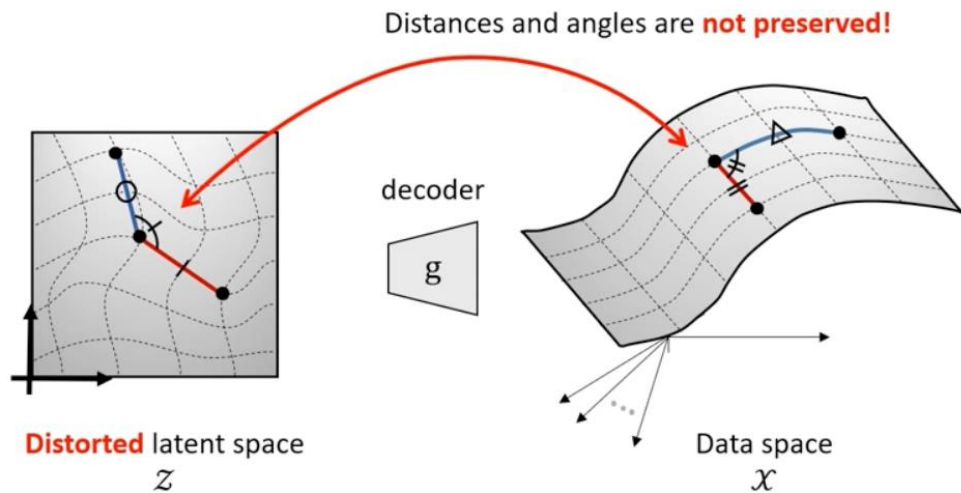
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- Riemann Manifold and Isometry
    - Laplace-Beltrami Operator
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    - Intuition on Jacobian/Laplacian based loss
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# Why Geometry-Preserving?

- Naïvely trained autoencoders(AEs) do not preserve locality (or local geometry) in latent space.



# What is Geometry-Preserving?

- Preserving of local-geometry can be defined as ...

## “Isometry” in Riemannian Geometry

- Prerequisites ...
    - Isometry
    - Riemann Geometry, Invariance
    - Graph based discretization
    - Laplacian
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# Isometry

- In Euclidean Geometry ...

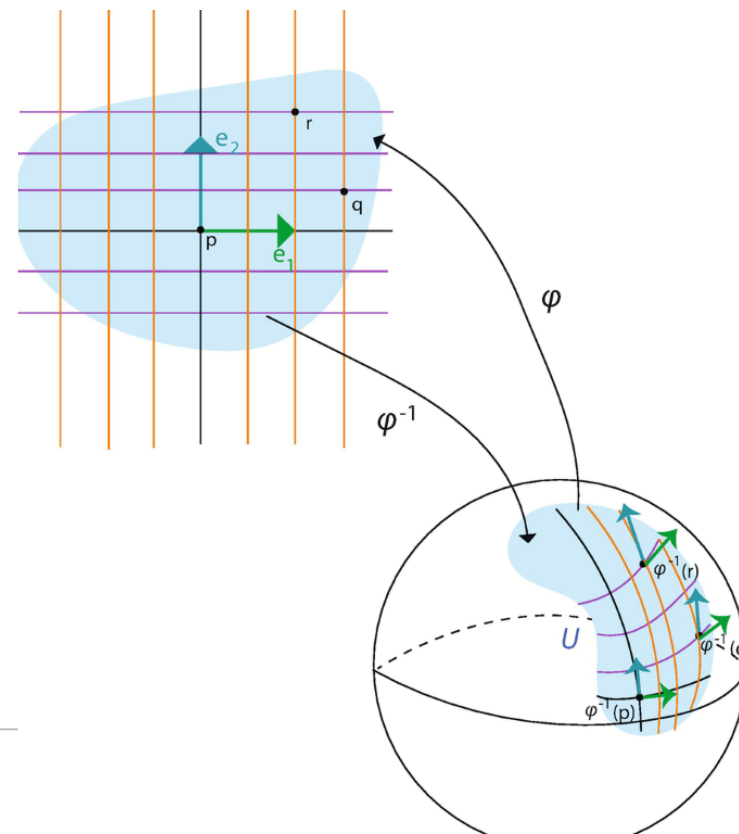
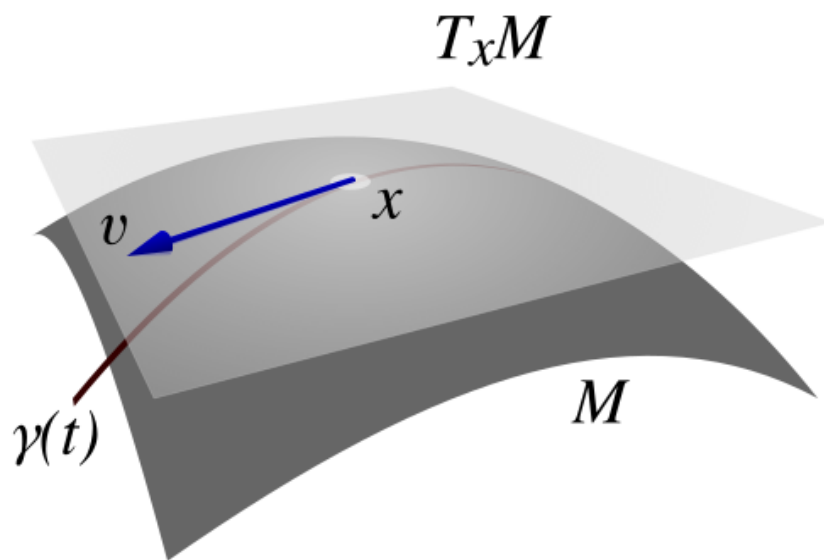
$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| = \|x - y\|$$

- Rotation, Reflexion, (Translation)



# Non-Euclidean Data

- Manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , point  $x \in \mathcal{M}$
- “Local coordinate” approximating neighboring points of  $x$



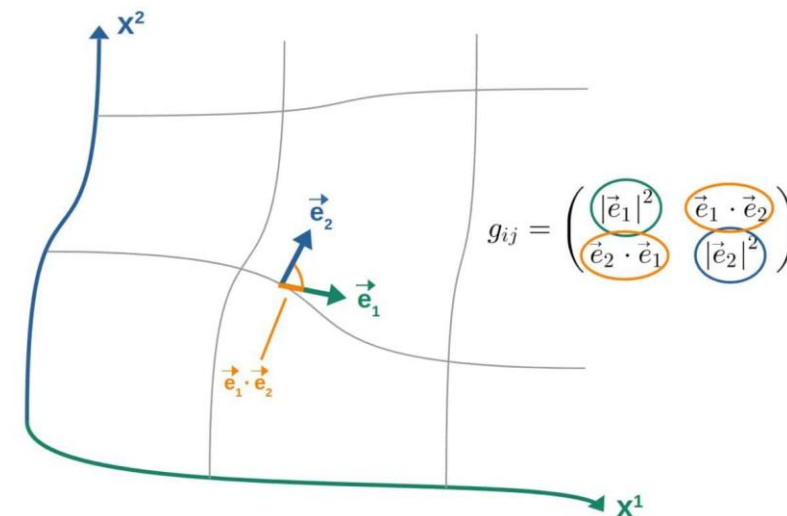
# Riemann Metric

- **Riemann metric** defines an **inner-product** within tangential space

$$\{\langle -, - \rangle_x : T_x \mathcal{M} \times T_x \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} | x \in \mathcal{M}\}$$

- Riemann metric can be represented as a **matrix** regarding a selected local coordinate (ie. basis)

$$\phi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^D, \quad x = \phi(q), \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial q_i}, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial q_j} \right\rangle_{\phi(q)} = g_{ij}(q)$$



# Isometry in Riemannian manifolds

- Geometry preservation is the preservation of inner products

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\|^2 = \|x - y\|^2$$

$$\langle f(x) - f(y), f(x) - f(y) \rangle = \langle x - y, x - y \rangle.$$

- Isometry  $f: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$

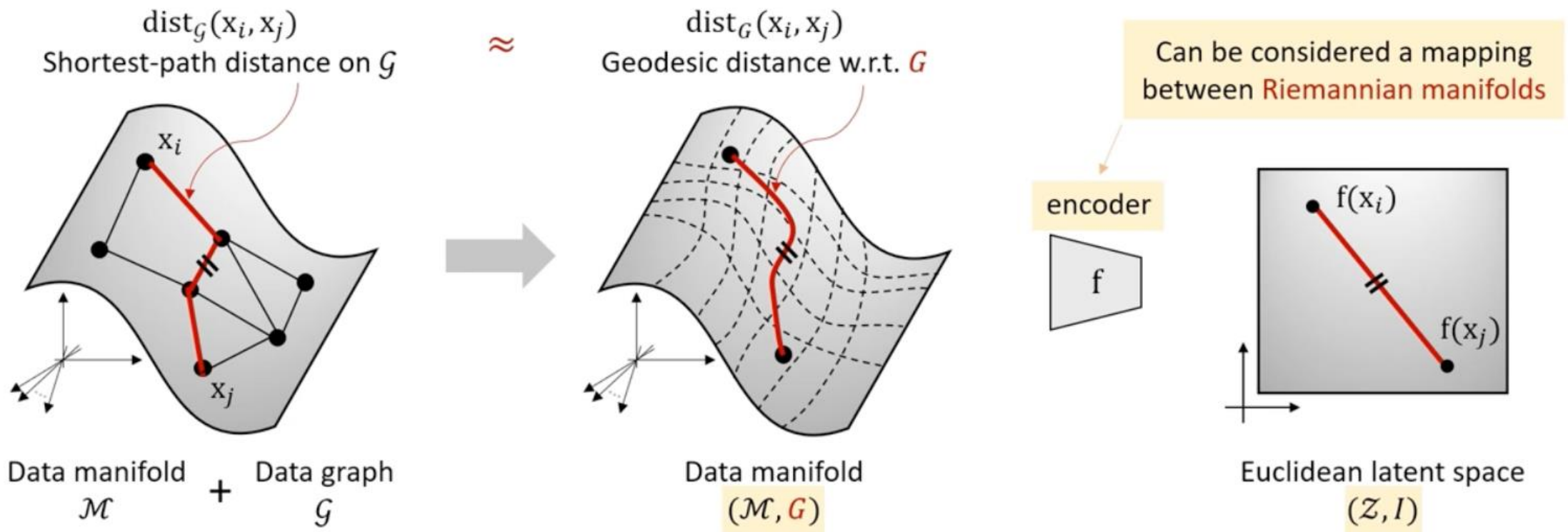
$$G(x) = J_f(x)^T H(f(x)) J_f(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

$$\langle df_x(v), df_x(w) \rangle_{f(x)} = v^T J_f(x)^T H(f(x)) J_f(x) w = v^T G(x) w = \langle v, w \rangle_x,$$

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# From discretized datapoints ...



# Laplace-(Beltrami) Operator

- "Diffusion" defining operator...

$$\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = D \Delta u(x, t)$$

**(Euclidean space)**

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = -\Delta_M f$$

**(Riemannian Manifold)**

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = -L f$$

**(Graphs)**

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# Laplace-(Beltrami) Operator

- “Deviance from local average” ...

$$\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} \quad \text{(Euclidean space)}$$

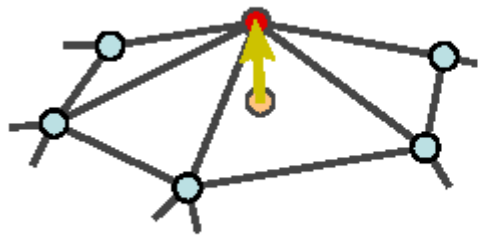
$$\Delta_M f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left( \sqrt{|g|} g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right) \quad \text{(Riemannian Manifold)}$$

$$L = D - A \quad \text{(Graphs)}$$

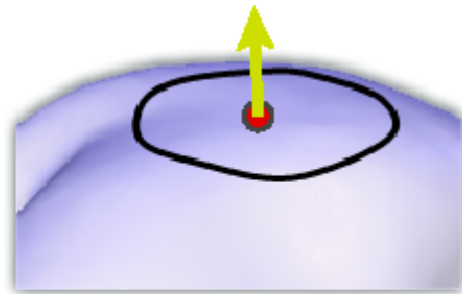
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# Graph Laplacian and Laplace-Beltrami

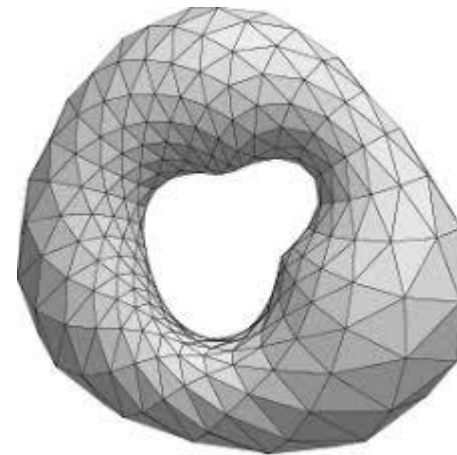
- Laplacian-Beltrami operator can be locally approximated
  - by a well-defined Graph Laplacian
  - constructed on some  $\varepsilon$  – *net* within the manifold



$$\delta_i = \frac{1}{d_i} \sum_{j \in N(i)} (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j)$$



$$\frac{1}{|\gamma|} \int_{\mathbf{v} \in \gamma} (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}) dl(\mathbf{v})$$



Triangulation /  
Polygonal Mesh



Point Cloud

# Graph Laplacian and Laplace-Beltrami

- Define Graph Laplacian as ...

$$K_{ij} = k_h(\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j) = k \left( \frac{\text{dist}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j)^2}{h} \right), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

$$K = (K_{ij}), \quad d_i = \sum_j K_{ij}, \quad D = \text{diag}(d_i).$$

$$\tilde{K} = D^{-1} K D^{-1}, \quad \tilde{d}_i = \sum_j \tilde{K}_{ij}, \quad \tilde{D} = \text{diag}(\tilde{d}_i).$$

$$L = \frac{\tilde{D}^{-1} \tilde{K} - I}{c h}.$$

- Then, it locally approximates Laplace-Beltrami as ...

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{M}} q(\mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_j L_{ij} q(\mathbf{x}_j)$$

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# Riemannian Distortion Metric

- Constraints of Isometry  $f: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{N} \dots$

$$G = J^T H J$$

$$J^T H J G^{-1} = I$$

$$\forall \lambda, \quad \lambda = 1$$

- Reformulate into minimizing a (local) distortion metric ...

$$\operatorname{argmin} \left( \sum_i (\lambda_i - 1)^2 \right) = \operatorname{argmin} \left( \sum_i (\lambda_i^2 - 2\lambda_i) \right) \quad (\lambda_i \text{는 } J^T H J G^{-1} \text{의 고유값})$$

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# Riemannian Distortion Metric

- Global distortion metric as ...

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} \text{Tr}((J_f^T H J_f G^{-1})^2 - 2J_f^T H J_f G^{-1}) d\mu,$$

- Using cyclic invariance of Trace ...

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} \text{Tr}(\underbrace{(H J_f G^{-1} J_f^T)}_{\text{(denoted as } \tilde{H})})^2 - 2H J_f G^{-1} J_f^T) d\mu.$$

*I (desired)*

# Riemannian Distortion Metric

- $\tilde{H} \equiv J_f G^{-1} J_f^T$  is reformulated via Laplace-Beltrami op.

$$(J_f G^{-1} J_f^T)_{lk} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta_{\mathcal{M}} (f^l - f^l(x)) (f^k - f^k(x))|_x$$

- Approximate Laplace-Beltrami by Graph Laplacian

$$J_f G^{-1} J_f^T = \frac{1}{2} f(X) (\text{diag}(L_i) - e_i e_i^T L - L^T e_i e_i^T) f(X)^T$$

- Thus  $\tilde{H} \equiv J_f G^{-1} J_f^T$  is (locally) approximated as function of

$$\tilde{H}_i(L, f(X)) := \tilde{H}(e_i, L, f(X)) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

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# Riemannian Distortion Loss

- Global distortion metric is formulated as

$$\mathcal{F}(\tilde{f}_\theta, L) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Tr} \left[ \tilde{H}_i(L, \tilde{f}_\theta(X))^2 - 2\tilde{H}_i(L, \tilde{f}_\theta(X)) \right]$$

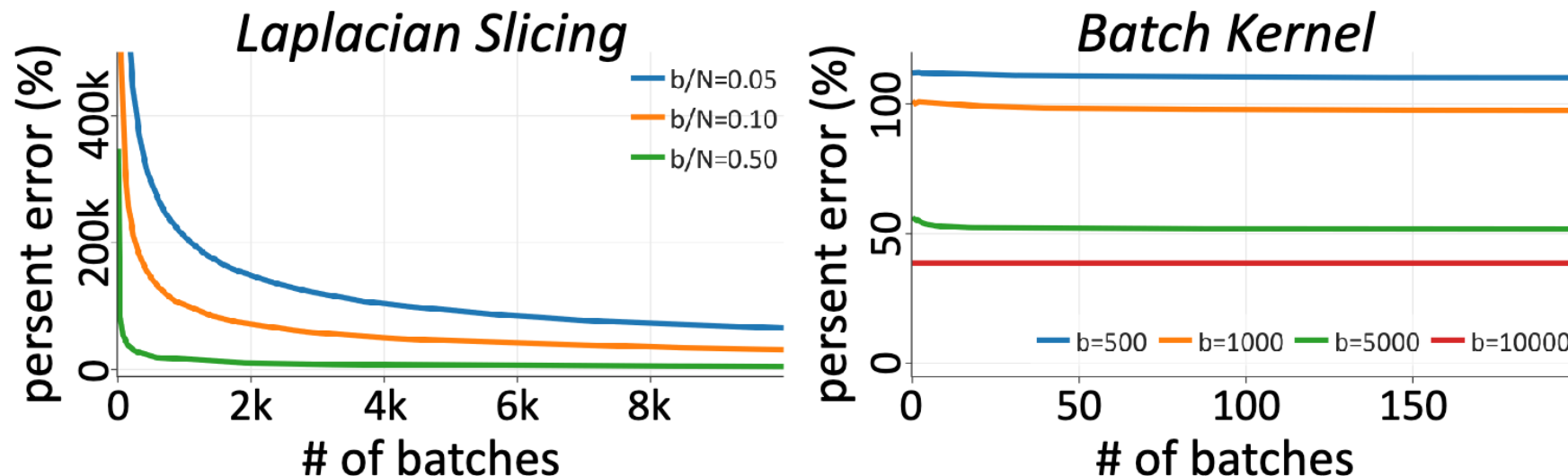
$$\tilde{H} = \frac{1}{2} f(X) (\text{diag}(L_i)) - e_i e_i^T L - L^T e_i e_i^T (f(X))^T.$$

- Enabling gradient-based regularization of distortion with ...
  - $f(X)$  : latent representations of batch data
  - $L$  : Graph Laplacian calculated from distance between batch data
- Compatibility to mini-batch-wise SGD?

# Minibatch Evaluation

- Minibatch-wise evaluation approximates global distortion
  - Laplacian Slicing: submatrix of the whole Laplacian matrix
  - **Batch Kernel**: Laplacian calculated from submatrix of whole Kernel

$$L = \frac{\tilde{D}^{-1} \tilde{K} - I}{h/4}$$



# Jacobian Regularization? $\int_{\mathcal{M}} \text{Tr}((J_f^\top H J_f G^{-1})^2 - 2J_f^\top H J_f G^{-1}) d\mu$

on ...  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{f}$  ...

- Denoising Autoencoders

$$\min_r \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} E_{q(\tilde{x}|x)} [\|r(\tilde{x}) - x\|^2] \rho(x) dx,$$

- Contractive regularization

$$\min_r \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} \left( \|r(x) - x\|^2 + \sigma^2 \text{Tr} \left( \left( \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \right)^\top \left( \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \right) \right) \right) \rho(x) dx$$

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# Jacobian Regularization?

Both  $r$  converges to...

$$r(x) = x + \sigma^2 \nabla_x \log p(x),$$

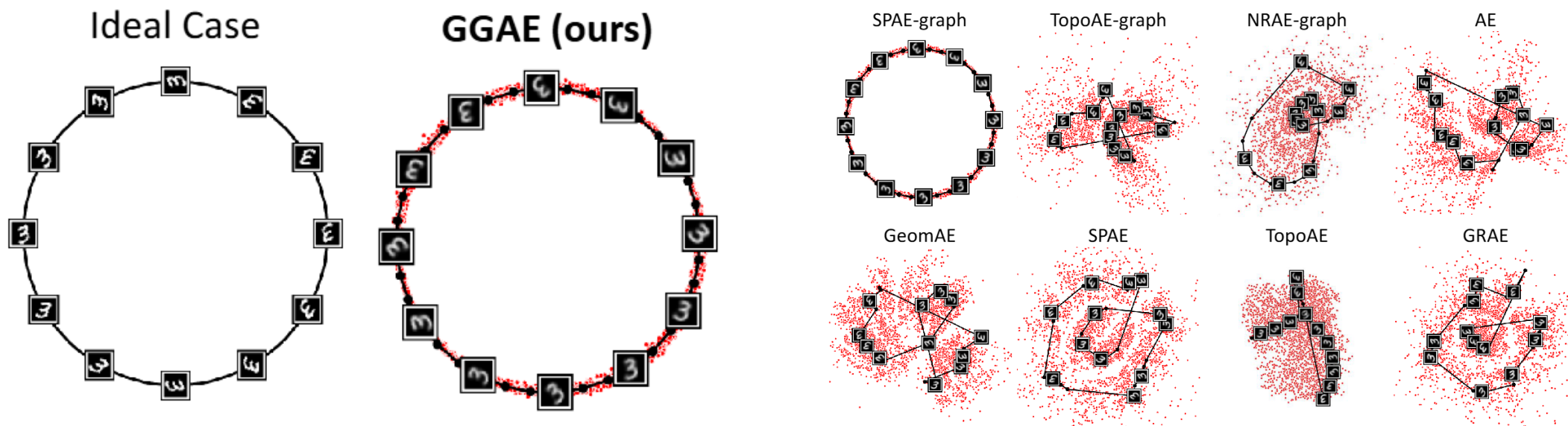
or re-expressed as ...

$$\frac{\partial \log \rho(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x}(x) = \frac{r(x) - x}{\sigma^2} + \mathcal{O}(\sigma^2).$$

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# Rotating MNIST

- Rotate MNIST digit-3 by 10 degrees \* 36
- GT (ground truth) graph as neighboring images (2-NN)
- 2D latent space



# Dynamics learning

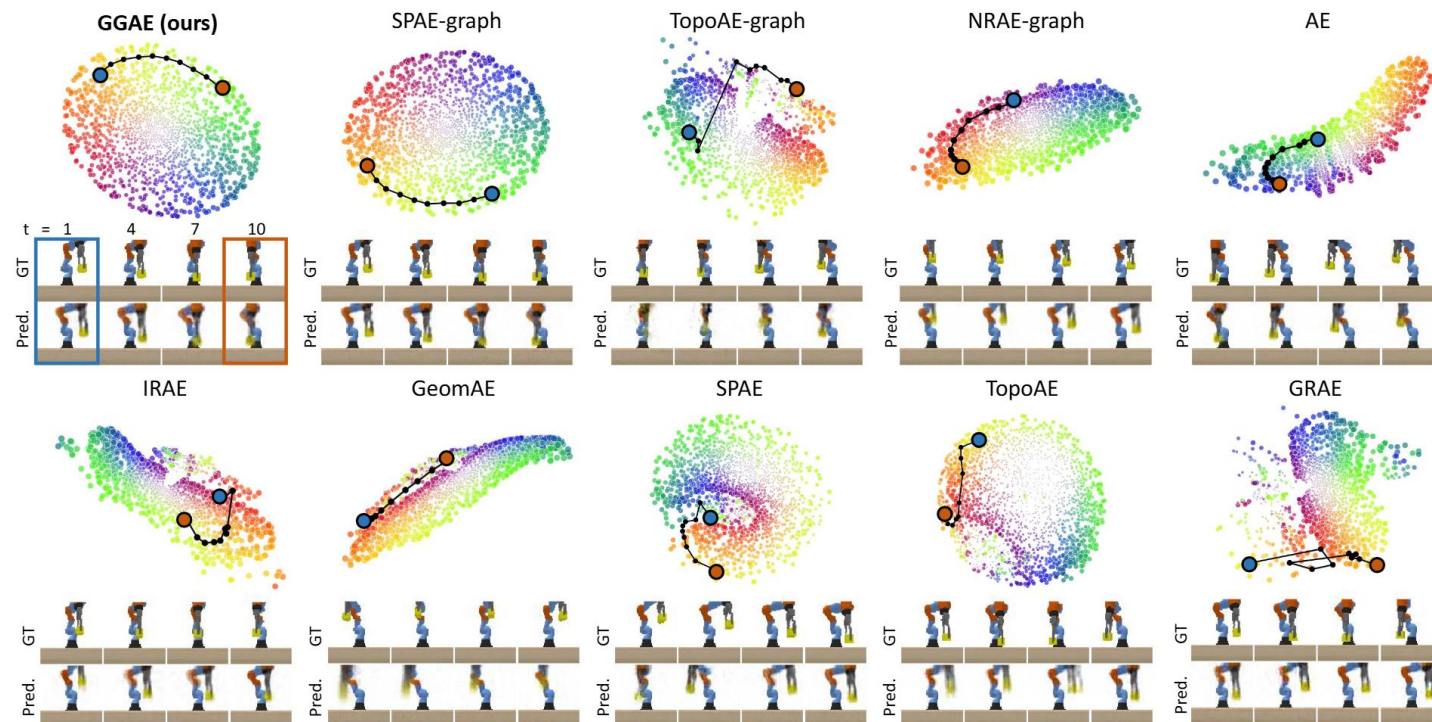
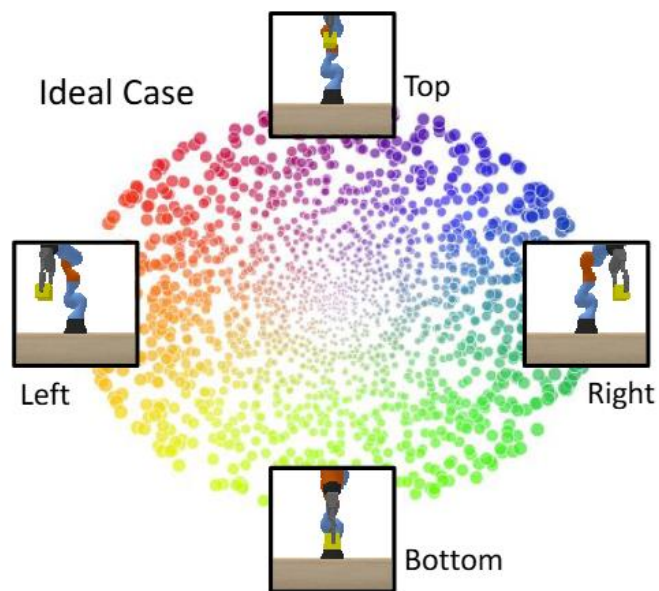
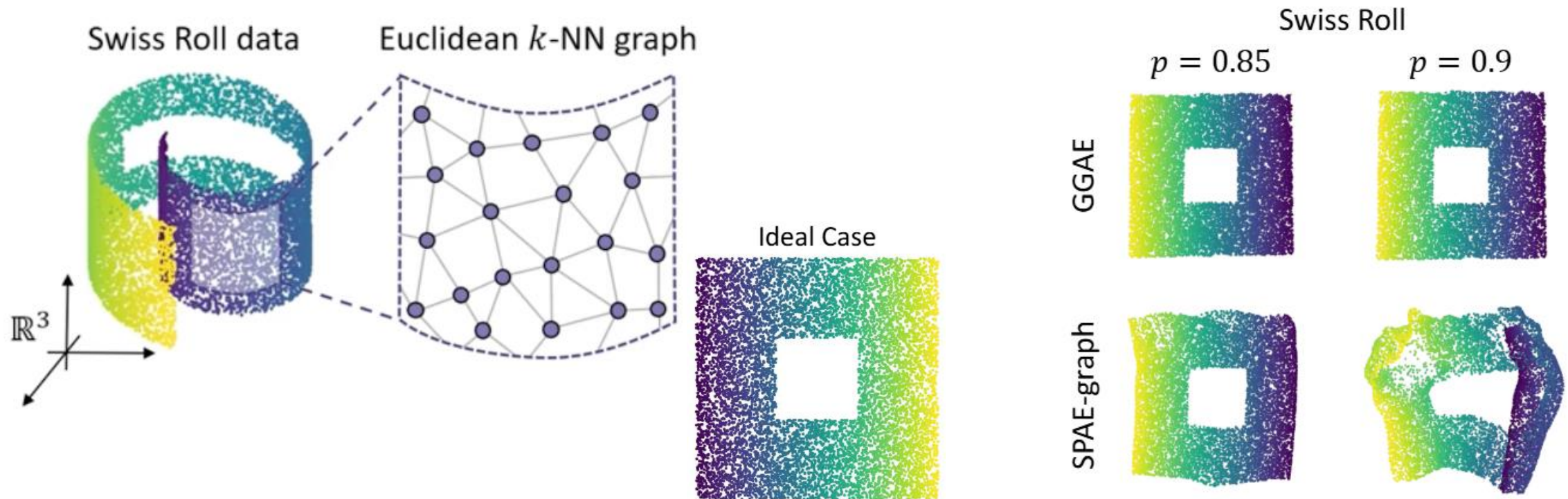


Figure 6. Ten future latent states (black dots) predicted by the trained dynamics model and corresponding reconstructed images at  $t = 1, 4, 7, 10$ . The dynamics model, when trained in a distorted latent space, exhibits irregular step sizes or jumps in the latent space, leading to its failure to accurately predict future images.



# Robustness to Graph Construction error

- Probability  $p$  to **drop** an edge in true  $k$ -NN graph



# Weak Supervision by GGAE

- k-NN graph from Euclidean distance of original image
  - Absent GT graph
- Multiply distance at differing classification label (MNIST-3, 8)

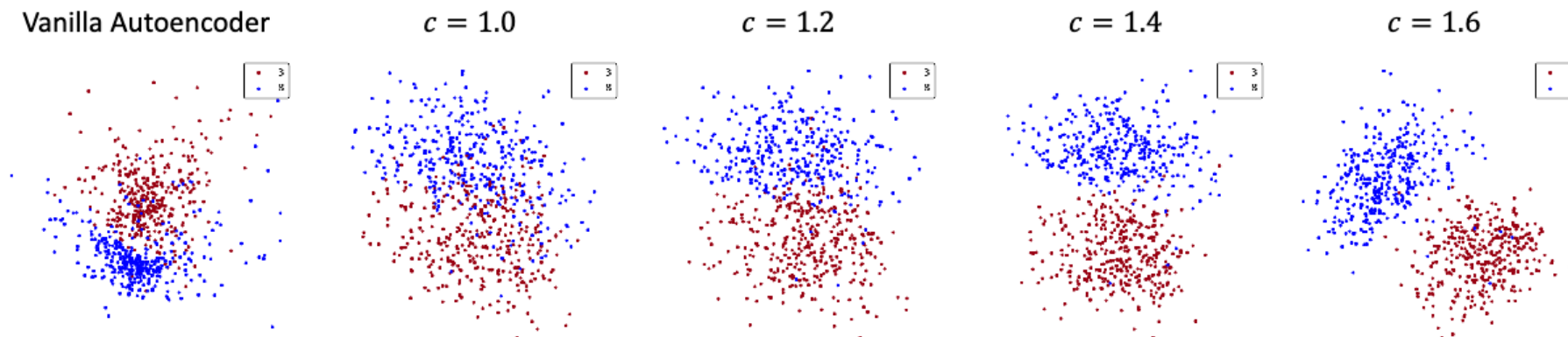


Figure 12. Left: Two-dimensional latent representation learned by vanilla autoencoder. Others: Latent representation learned by GGAE, with increasing value of  $c$  in graph construction. Larger  $c$  results in clearer separation between '3' and '8', as expected.

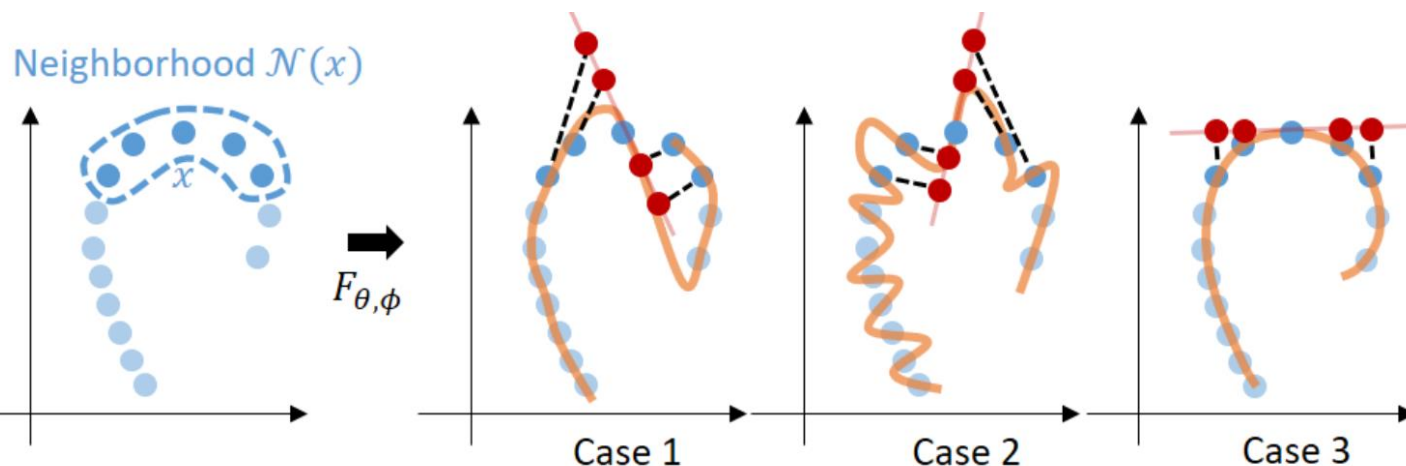


# Further Readings

- **A Riemannian Geometric Framework for Manifold Learning of non-Euclidean Data (2020)**
    - Manifold learning can be generalized into a minimization problem of a well-defined Riemannian distortion metric
      - Metrics composed of eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  or trace values of matrices
    - Establishment of theoretical backgrounds of GGAE
      - Approximation  $JG^{-1}J^T$  via Laplace-Beltrami and Graph Laplacian
      - Minimization of  $\Sigma(\lambda - 1)^2$  or  $\Sigma\lambda$ , for eigen-values of  $JG^{-1}J^T$  or  $J^T GJ$
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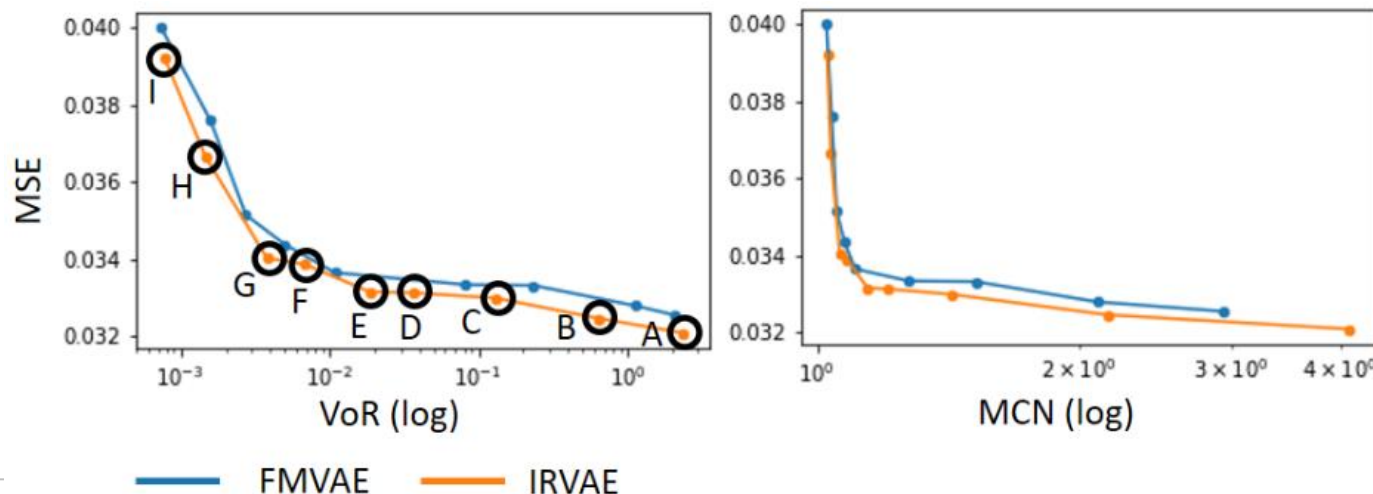
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- Neighborhood Reconstructing Autoencoders (NRAE, NeurIPS, 2021)
  - <https://neurips.cc/media/neurips-2021/Slides/27723.pdf>
  - Equalize tangential space approximated via quadratic approximation to the (true) tangential space
    - Neighboring points are sampled data from the (true) tangential space
  - Regularizations on decoder



# Further Readings

- Regularized Autoencoders for Isometric Representation Learning (IRVAE, ICLR, 2022)
  - Regularization function to force “scaled” isometry
  - Adjunct flattening procedure, evaluation by VoR, MCN
  - Trade-off between reconstruction and distortion



input	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
B	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
C	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
D	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
E	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
F	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
G	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
H	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
I	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

# Further Readings

- Geometrically Regularized Autoencoders for non-Euclidean Data (GRCAE, ICLR, 2023)
    - DAE, RCAE loss shifts the reconstruction output towards a higher probability density
      - DAE = noise invariance
      - RCAE = Jacobian (or Dirichlet energy) regularization
      - Shift induced by DAE, RCAE loss aligns to the score function
    - Utilization of Riemann metrics provide better AE functionality
    - (Known Riemann metric required)
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# Further Readings

- **Bronstein, Michael M., et al. "Geometric deep learning: going beyond euclidean data." *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine* 34.4 (2017): 18-42.**
    - Introduction to differential geometry
    - Graph Laplacians, Spectral invariance
  - Burago, Dmitri, Sergei Ivanov, and Yaroslav Kurylev. "A graph discretization of the Laplace–Beltrami operator." *Journal of Spectral Theory* 4.4 (2015): 675-714.
    - Approximation of Laplacian-Beltrami and required assumptions
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CNBzomrvtlo>
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# Applications

- Dimension Reduction
- A form of contrastive loss with weak supervision
  - Construct distance graph based on known labels
  - Aligning representations to the geometry of the distance graph may act as a weak supervision

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# Realistic Considerations?

- Convergence characteristics?
    - Dataset size? – coverage of data manifold
    - Batch size? – approximation accuracy of mini-batch Laplacian
    - Minibatch selection strategy
  - Graph construction
    - Bandwidth parameter, k-NN
  - CPU/GPU requirements
  - Trade-off against reconstruction task
  - Comparison to established/available methods
    - Rank-based contrastive learning, CLIP
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