Looking for intuition behind discrete topologies

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Expectations from topology

get the big picture partially self-validated $\chi = \sum (-1)^i \cdot m_i$ i=0global (high info) from local (low cost)

Applications that motivated me



reservoir characterization from huge seismic data

surface extraction and reconstruction







vector field de-noising

Intuition?

quick and ready insight immediate apprehension or cognition

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something an industry engineer accepts

Today's filtration



topological objects discrete theories some examples discussions

Topological objects



Manifolds, Subsets of \mathbb{R}^n



Submersion intuition



subset of \mathbb{R}^n respecting a condition $f \Rightarrow$ closer to real data



critical set of f (Morse lemma)

⇒ global from local function analysis

Usual critical sets



Immersion intuition





locally equivalent to \mathbb{R}^d

 \Rightarrow intuitive differential tools

Immersion Morse topology



critical set of a function on the manifold ⇒ global from local function analysis

Morse-Smale complex





relation between critical points

⇒ local function analysis + graph

Vector field



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sparse invariant sets

Vector field topology



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isolated singularities behavior

Iocal analysis (Hartman Grobman)+graph

+ closed orbits + non-generic

Gradient vector field



generic gradient

Morse-Smale structure



topology from local function analysis+ Smale complex / topological graph



Morse theory

 $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ Manifold **Function** $f:\mathcal{M}\to\mathbb{R}$ Critical point $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}, \partial f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ $#\{\lambda \in Eig(\partial^2 f), \lambda < 0\}$ Index $\chi = \sum (-1)^i \cdot m_i \ldots$ Topology i=0

Function analysis is intuitive





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More topological objects



Local function analysis in the discrete setting???

2-cells:

1-cells:

0-cells:



Sampled function + interpolation

Weight on graph structures

Discrete function analysis?

not intuitive:

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finite difference (polynomial interpolation) Fourier derivative (harmonic interpolation) finite elements (template approximation)

on manifold?



Discrete Morse theories





piecewise-linear interpolation ⇒ Banchoff's approach

combinatorial formulation

⇒ Forman's approach

Banchoff's approach



intuition: sampling of fguarantees: Euler χ , Gauss Bonnet local linear interpolations \Rightarrow critical vertices

PL Morse-Smale complex





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numerical integration of streamlines

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Morse-Smale structure



Morse theory

 $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ Object $f: \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}$ Function Critical set $\partial f^{-1}(\{0\})$ $#Eig(\partial^2 f) \cap \mathbb{R}_-$ Index $\chi = \sum (-1)^i \cdot m_i \ldots$ Topology



Forman's approach: differential topology view

Start from Morse-Smale complex Subdivide to reach your complex arrows ⇒ gradient vector field

Forman's approach, algorithmic views



combinatorial field

tree

matching along the flow
Scritical = unmatched

gradient field no closed gradient path ⇒ acyclic

Acyclic matching



Forman's approach: differential topology view



intuition without differential function?

Discrete Smale Compelx





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from critical cells

from cancellations



∂ , Forman - Morse theories

Object

Function

Critical set

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Topology

 $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ CW complex \mathcal{K} $f: \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}$ acyclic matching $\partial f^{-1}(\{0\})$ unmatched cells $#Eig(\partial^2 f) \cap \mathbb{R}_$ cell dimension $\chi = \sum (-1)^i \cdot m_i \dots \chi = \sum (-1)^i \cdot m_i \dots$

Forman

A priori pros and cons



Banchoff's approach

- + intuitive / geometric
- controlled critical set
- + many numerical tools
- nD guarantees?
 - global robustness?

Forman's approach

- + correct global topology
- + robust (graph algorithms)
- + efficient (combinatorial)
- critical set localization?
- graph intuition?

Some monster cases





Poincaré's homological sphere (missing critical points) Bing's house of 2 rooms (extra critical cell)

Learning from examples



Isosurface extraction



Isosurface extraction



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Topological cases of Marching Cubes ⇒ differentiable function analysis

Large isosurface topology





Topology without the isosurface Mid-scale control and filtering global + efficiency ⇒ Forman's line

Some Isosurfaces' Topology







Smale complex

Reeb graph

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Surface reconstruction











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noisy, sparse point set

 \Rightarrow correct topology?

Surface reconstruction





Topology-aware reconstruction





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Vector field de-noising

Impinging plate



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noise at the scale of the data clean data + "important" vortices local interpolation analysis

Interactive de-noising



Scale-dependent singularity



Topology-aware de-noising



some common points



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ations

topology: intuitive interfaces



A note on noise / resolution









Persistence approach:

Usual in Morse theory

Smale used it for optimal Morse functions

Keep singularities in place

Persistence is universal?



- + smooth and both discrete settings
- noise has a complex impact on topology
- discrete setting intrinsically resolution dependent on image and domain

Scale-dependent critical set



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Forman's critical set results from global construction: maximum maximum weisht weishing matching

number of critical cells

quality of the field approximation

Partial conclusion



Banchoff

- + good critical points+ intuitive!
- globally stable?

Forman

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- + good global behavior
- + flexible discretization
 - local precision?

Recent improvements



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global stability of PL computations (persistence and Morse-Smale)

control of critical cells in Forman's (matching and localization)

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In-between both worlds



On triangulated surface, greedy construction of Forman's vector field keeps Banchoff's critical set for slowly varying function $f : \mathcal{K}_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$

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Next challenges

Higher dimension (besides NP)

L., Lopes, Tavares, Joswig, Pfetsch...

More general cases (infinite complexes)

Ayala, Vilches...

More complex objects (tensors, $\{f_i\}$)

Forman, Tricoche, Tong, Desbrun...

More theoretical guarantees

L., Zhang, Mischaikow...

Global from local?





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