Riemannian Optimization with its Application to Clustering Problems

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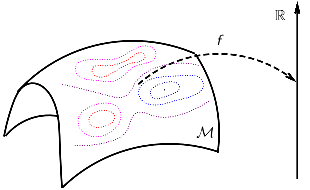

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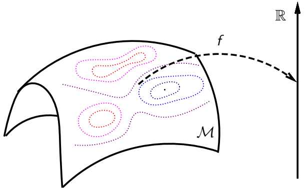
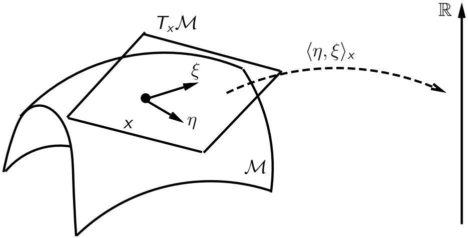


Manifolds:

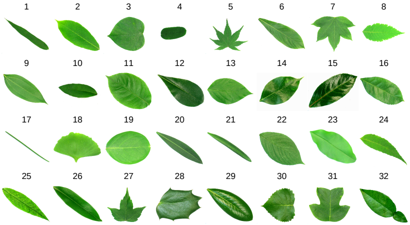
- Stiefel: $\mathrm{St}(p, n) = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : X^T X = I_p\}$;
- Grassmann: the set of p dimensional linear spaces in $\mathbb{R}^n$;
- Fixed rank: $\mathbb{R}_r^{m \times n} = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} : \mathrm{rank}(X) = r\}$ or tensor;
- Symmetric positive definite: $\mathcal{S}_{++}^n = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : X \succ 0\}$;
- And many more;

Riemannian Manifolds

Roughly, a Riemannian manifold $\mathcal{M}$ is a smooth set with a smoothly-varying inner product on the tangent spaces.



Riemannian manifold $=$ Manifold $+$ Riemannian metric (inner products)



- Classification [LKS+12, HGSA15]
- Face recognition [DBS+13]

- Elastic shape analysis invariants:
  - Rescaling
  - Translation
  - Rotation
  - Reparametrization
- The shape space is a quotient space

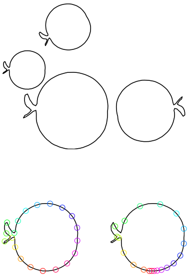
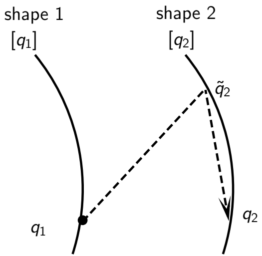
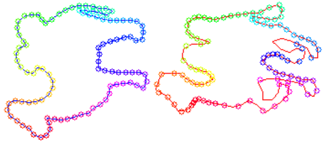


Figure: All are the same shape.

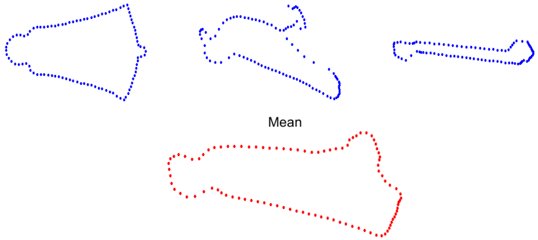




- Optimization problem $\min_{q_2 \in [q_2]} \mathrm{dist}(q_1, q_2)$ is defined on a Riemannian manifold

Motivation
One example

- Computation of a geodesic between two shapes
- Interpolation in shape space



- Computation of Karcher mean of a population of shapes

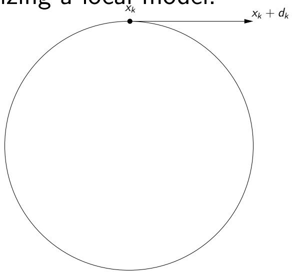
- Role model extraction
- Computations on SPD matrices
- Blind source separation
- Phase retrieval problem
- Blind deconvolution
- Synchronization of rotations
- Computations on low-rank tensor
- Low-rank approximate solution for Lyapunov equation

Consider the following generic update for an iterative Euclidean optimization algorithm:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \Delta x_k = x_k + \alpha_k s_k \ .$$

This iteration is implemented in numerous ways, e.g.:

- Steepest descent: $x_{k+1} = x_k - \alpha_k \nabla f(x_k)$
- Newton's method: $x_{k+1} = x_k - \left[\nabla^2 f(x_k)\right]^{-1} \nabla f(x_k)$
- Trust region method: Δx_k is set by optimizing a local model.



Riemannian Manifolds Provide

- Riemannian concepts describing directions and movement on the manifold
- Riemannian analogues for gradient and Hessian

Definition

The Riemannian gradient of f at x is the unique tangent vector in $\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$ satisfying $\forall \eta \in \mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$, the directional derivative

$$\mathrm{D} f(x)[\eta] = \langle \operatorname{grad} f(x), \eta \rangle$$

and $\operatorname{grad} f(x)$ is the direction of steepest ascent.

Definition

The Riemannian Hessian of f at x is a symmetric linear operator from $\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$ to $\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$ defined as

$$\operatorname{Hess} f(x) : \mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M} \to \mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M} : \eta \to \nabla_\eta \operatorname{grad} f,$$

where ∇ is the affine connection.

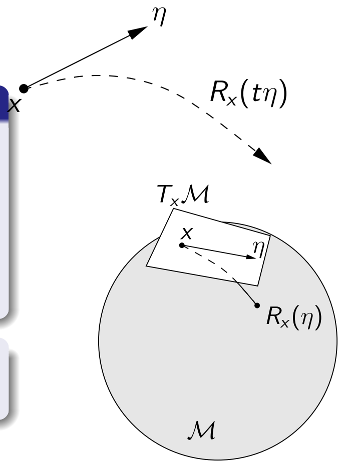
Euclidean	Riemannian
$x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k d_k$	$x_{k+1} = R_{x_k}(\alpha_k \eta_k)$

Definition

A retraction is a mapping R from $\mathrm{T}\,\mathcal{M}$ to $\mathcal{M}$ satisfying the following:

- R is continuously differentiable
- $R_x(0) = x$
- $\mathrm{D}\, R_x(0)[\eta] = \eta$

- maps tangent vectors back to the manifold
- defines curves in a direction



Retraction-based: local information only

Line search-based: use local tangent vector and $R_x(t\eta)$ to define line

- Steepest decent
- Newton

Local model-based: series of flat space problems

- Riemannian trust region Newton (RTR)
- Riemannian adaptive cubic overestimation (RACO)

Retraction and transport-based: information from multiple tangent spaces

- Nonlinear conjugate gradient: multiple tangent vectors
- Quasi-Newton e.g. Riemannian BFGS: transport operators between tangent spaces

Additional element required for optimizing a cost function;

- formulas for combining information from multiple tangent spaces.

Vector Transport

- Vector transport: Transport a tangent vector from one tangent space to another
- $\mathcal{T}_{\eta_x}\xi_x$, denotes transport of ξ_x to tangent space of $R_x(\eta_x)$. R is a retraction associated with $\mathcal{T}$

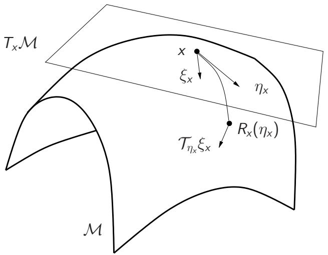


Figure: Vector transport.

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No

- Lose many theoretical results and important properties;
- Impose restrictions on retraction/vector transport;

Elements required for optimizing a cost function $(\mathcal{M}, g)$:

- an representation for points x on $\mathcal{M}$, for tangent spaces $\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$, and for the inner products $g_x(\cdot, \cdot)$ on $\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}$;
- choice of a retraction $R_x : \mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$;
- formulas for $f(x), \mathrm{grad}\, f(x)$ and $\mathrm{Hess}\, f(x)$ (or its action);
- Computational and storage efficiency;

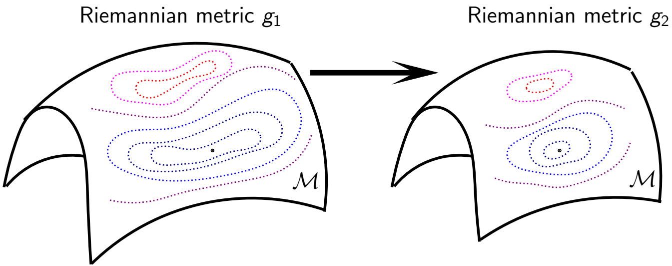
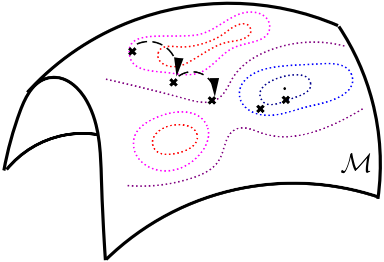


Figure: Changing metric may influence the difficulty of a problem.

Riemannian metric influences

- Riemannian gradient
- Riemannian Hessian

- All iterates on the manifold
- Convergence properties of unconstrained optimization algorithms
- No need to consider Lagrange multipliers or penalty functions
- Exploit the structure of the constrained set



- Smooth unconstrained problems
  - Steepest descent: Smith 1994; Helmke-Moore 1994; Iannazzo-Porcelli 2019;
  - Conjugate gradient: Smith 1994; Gallivan-Absil 2010; Ring-Wirth 2012; Sato-Iwai 2015;
  - Quasi-Newton: Ring-Wirth 2012; Huang-Absil-Gallivan 2018; Huang-Gallivan 2022
  - Trust region Newton: Absil-Baker-Gallivan 2007;
- Nonsmooth unconstrained problems
  - Proximal point method: Ferreira-Oliveira 2002;
  - Optimality conditions: Yang-Zhang-Song 2014;
  - Gradient sampling: Huang 2013; Hosseini and Uschmajew 2017;
  - ϵ-subgradient-based methods: Grohs-Hosseini 2015;
  - Proximal gradient methods: Huang-Wei 2022;
- Constrained problems:
  - Augmented Lagrangian methods: Boumal-Liu 2019;
  - Sequential quadratic programming: Obara-Okuno-Takeda 2022;

A non-exhaustive review

- Smooth unconstrained problems:
  - Stiefel manifold: Wen-Yin 2012; Jiang-Dai 2014; Xiao-Liu-Yuan 2020; Dai-Wang-Zhou 2020
  - Symmetric positive definite manifold: Bini-Iannazzo 2013; Zhang 2017; Yuan-Huang-Absil-Gallivan 2020;
  - Fixed rank manifold: Wen-Yin-Zhang 2012; Mishra 2014; Sutti-Vandereycken 2021; Levin-Kileel-Boumal 2022

- Nonsmooth unconstrained problems:
  - Stiefel Manifold: Huang-Wei 2019; Chen-Ma-So-Zhang 2020; Xiao-Liu-Yuan 2020;
  - Fixed rank manifold: Cambier-Absil 2016;
  - Matrix manifolds: Zhou-Bao-Ding-Zhu 2022

- Constrained problems:
  - Stiefel + non-negativity: Jiang-Meng-Wen-Chen 2019;
  - Symmetric positive definite + zeros: Phan-Menickelly 2020;

Riemannian optimization libraries for general problems:

- Boumal, Mishra, Absil, Sepulchre(2014)
  Manopt (Matlab library)
- Townsend, Koep, Weichwald (2016)
  Pymanopt (Python version of manopt)
- Bergmann (2019)
  Manoptjl (Julia, nonsmooth methods)
- Huang, Absil, Gallivan, Hand (2018)
  ROPTLIB (C++ library, interfaces to Matlab and Julia)
- Martin, Raim, Huang, Adragni (2018)
  ManifoldOptim (R wrapper of ROPTLIB)
- Meghawanshi, Jawanpuria, Kunchukuttan, Kasai, Mishra (2018)
  McTorch (Python, GPU acceleration)

- Smooth unconstrained problems
  - Broyden family including BFGS method [HGA15, HAG17, HAG18]
  - Trust-region symmetric rank-one method [HAG15]
  - Their limited-memory versions [HG22]
- Nonsmooth unconstrained problems
  - ϵ-subgradient with quasi-Newton method [HHY18]
  - Proximal gradient methods [HW21a]
  - Proximal Newton method [SAH$^+$23]
- Applications:
  - Elastic shape analysis [HGSA15]
  - Blind deconvolution [HH18]
  - Phase retrieval [HGZ16]
  - Sparse principal component analysis [HW21c]
  - Gray/color image completion [CH23, PH23]
- Library: ROPTLIB [HAGH18]

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- Spectral clustering
- Normalized cuts
- k-means
- Community detection
- Etc

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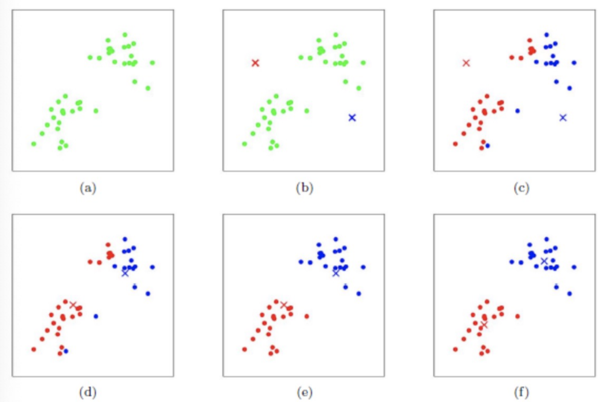
A clustering problem: k-means



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[0] The figure is from `https://www.cnblogs.com/xiaxuexiaob/p/10211279.html`

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Optimization problem [BDM09]:

$$\min_Y \|A - Y(Y^T Y)^{-1} Y^T A\|_F^2,$$

where Y is an indicator matrix

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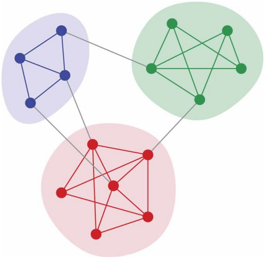

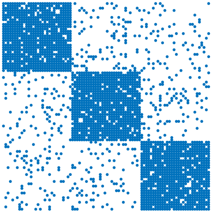

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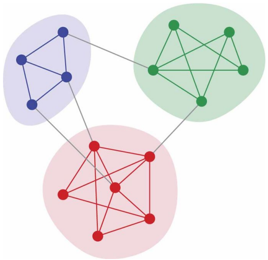
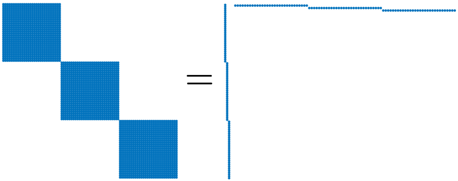
A clustering problem: community detection



- Adjacency matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ (Undirected)
- Ideal adjacency matrix $A = ZZ^T$
- $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ defines the communities



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- The GN algorithm [New04]
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Modularity optimization approaches have shown to be highly effective [For10]

Maximize modularity:

$$\tilde{f} : \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{n,k} \to \mathbb{R} : Y \mapsto \mathrm{trace}(Y^T M Y),$$

where $M = A - \frac{A\mathbf{1}_n\mathbf{1}_n^T A}{\mathbf{1}_n^T A \mathbf{1}_n}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{n,k}$ is the set of indicator matrices.

For ideal graph:

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$$\min_{X \in \mathcal{A}_{n,k}} f(X) = -\tilde{f}(X),$$

where f is smooth.

Normalized cut:

$$\min_{Y^T D Y = I_q, Y \geq 0, \mathbf{1}_n \in \mathrm{span}(Y)} \mathrm{trace}(Y^T L Y),$$

where $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the Laplacian matrix of a graph and $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the diagonal matrix of the node degrees.

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Note that it is required here that $v \in \mathrm{span}(X)$ instead of $\mathbf{1}_n \in \mathrm{span}(X)$. We only discuss $\mathbf{1}_n \in \mathrm{span}(X)$ for simplicity. But the following derivations still work for $v \in \mathrm{span}(X)$ and $v > 0$.

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Verify [Bou20, Definition 8.70]

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The Lagrangian function:

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Algorithm 1 ManPG without solving the subproblem exactly

Given x_0, $\nu \in (0, 1)$, $\sigma \in (0, 1/(8\mu))$, $\mu > 0$;
for $k = 0, 1, \ldots$ **do**
  Approximately solve

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  Set $\eta_k = \hat{v}_k(\Lambda)$ and set $\alpha = 1$;
  while $F(R_{x_k}(\alpha \eta_{x_k})) > F(x_k) - \sigma\alpha\|\eta_{x_k}\|_F^2$ **do**
    $\alpha = \nu\alpha$;
  end while
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Assumption

The function f is Lipschitz continuously differentiable on $\mathcal{M}$ and g is Lipschitz continuous on $\mathcal{M}$.

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$$F(R_{x_k}(\alpha \eta_{x_k})) - F(x_k) \leq -\frac{\alpha}{8\mu} \|\eta_{x_k}\|_F^2.$$

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- Show that $\hat{v}(\Lambda) = P_{\mathrm{T}_x \mathcal{M}} v(\Lambda)$ satisfies the same properties as η_*
- The vein of the remaining proofs follows [CMSZ20, HW21c]

$$\min_{X \in \mathcal{F}_{n,k}} -\mathrm{trace}(X^T M X) + \lambda \|X\|_1,$$

where $\mathcal{F}_{n,k} = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k} : X^T X = I_k, \mathbf{1}_n \in \mathrm{span}(X)\}$.

Comparing models and effectiveness

		μ_{LFR}								
		0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8
Lou.(k)	NMI	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.998	0.980	0.298	0.084
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	Mod.	0.949	0.849	0.750	0.650	0.549	0.449	0.347	0.209	0.196
	time	0.544	0.747	1.033	1.204	1.700	2.076	2.767	5.452	5.506
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New.(k)	NMI	0.998	0.683	0.678	0.667	0.549	0.391	0.280	0.134	0.049
	AMI	0.998	0.599	0.599	0.602	0.470	0.307	0.209	0.090	0.023
	Mod.	0.948	0.474	0.446	0.400	0.305	0.237	0.191	0.157	0.146
	time	0.645	0.466	0.437	0.452	0.423	0.341	0.365	0.321	0.311
	k	20	18	17	18	15	9	7	6	6
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	Mod.	0.949	0.849	0.750	0.650	0.549	0.449	0.341	0.173	0.111
	time	0.635	0.469	0.587	0.949	0.674	0.472	1.033	1.630	1.675
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- Louvain method [BGLL08]
- Newman algorithm [New06]
- I-AManPG (With acceleration)

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- The generalized LFR benchmark graphs [LF09]
- The larger μ is, the more difficult the community detection is
- An average of 10 random runs
- NMI: normalized mutual information [DDGDA05], AMI: adjusted mutual information [VEB10]

Comparing efficiency of ManPG with/without solving the subproblem exactly

K.	$q = 2$		$q = 3$		$q = 4$		$q = 5$	
Measurements	Exactly	Approx	Exactly	Approx	Exactly	Approx	Exactly	Approx
NMI	1	1	0.811	0.811	0.687	0.687	0.542	0.542
AMI	1	1	0.672	0.672	0.505	0.505	0.364	0.364
Mod.	0.372	0.372	0.373	0.373	0.420	0.420	0.382	0.382
time(s)	6.568	6.170	6.278	3.675	3.520	2.735	5.394	2.137

Less computational time, same effectiveness

$$\min_{X \in \mathcal{F}_{n,k}} -\mathrm{trace}(X^T D^{-1/2} W D^{-1/2} X) + \lambda \|X\|_1,$$

where W is the weight/affinity matrix,
$\mathcal{F}_{n,k} = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k} : X^T X = I_k, v \in \mathrm{span}(X)\}$.

Numerical experiments

Normalized cut for image segmentation

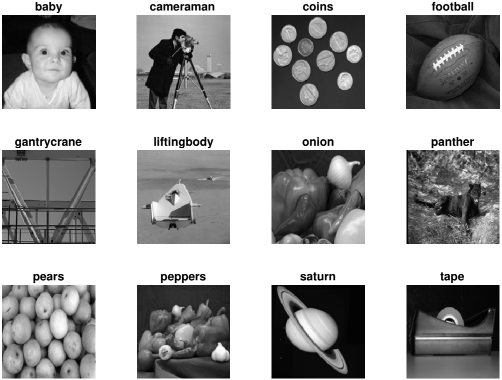
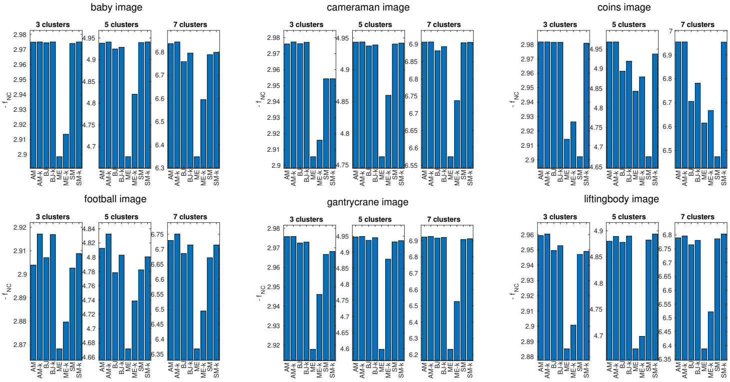


Figure: The tested images



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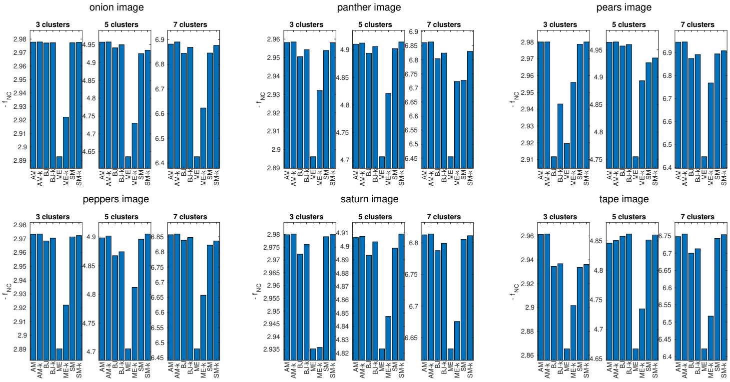

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The segmentations by the Riemannian approach look more intuitive, especially for 7 clusters.

Summary

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