# The Shape of an Image: A Study of Mapper on Images



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#### MOTIVATION

Scalar function is defined on planar domain

We would like to extract a topological fingerprint

## <u>WHY?</u>

Topological fingerprint as a feature vector is translation, rotation, and resolution invariant





#### PROCESS OVERVIEW

Convert the scalar field into a landscape

Segment the domain into topological regions by value Use the relationship between those regions to describe the topology of the domain





#### **TOPOLOGICAL FEATURES**





## TOPOLOGY OF THE FIELD (CONTOUR TREE)





## MAPPER

## Computation of approximate topology More flexible and robust implementation & runs faster than contour tree

Ability to control approximation resolution through modifying the "cover"



#### THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAPPER ON A ID FUNCTION Consider a scalar function $f : X \rightarrow [a,b]$





## THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAPPER ON A 1D FUNCTION The range [a,b] is covered by the two intervals A,B





#### THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAPPER ON A 1D FUNCTION This gives a decomposition of the domain the domain X





THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAPPER ON A 1D FUNCTION Inverse of A consists of 2 connected components  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ Inverse of B consists of 3 connected components  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$  and  $\beta_3$ 





## THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAPPER ON A ID FUNCTION A **nodes** represents each connected component

An edge is inserted whenever 2 connected components overlap







#### MAPPER RESOLUTION

The construction of mapper depends on the cover chosen for the range [a,b] of the scalar function.



#### **COMPARISON TO CONTOUR TREE**





The contour tree of a 1d function.



#### <u>COMPUTATION OF MAPPER ON IMAGES</u> Covers are first extracted as even and odd covers, plus overlap used later.



Input

Even

Odd

Overlap



## **FINDING VERTICES**

# Covers are converted to graphs using 1 of 2 schemes, and connect components identified using either DFS or BFS





## FINDING EDGES

# Pixels from overlapping regions cause edges between connected components in adjacent covers





Overlap

## <u>Results</u>



#### MAPPER ON IMAGES





## ADJUSTING MAPPER RESOLUTION





#### SIMPLIFICATION OF MAPPER GRAPHS





#### MAPPER PERFORMANCE ON 4 DIFFERENT IMAGES





#### **ADDITIONAL RESULTS**





## <u>Conclusions</u>

Mapper on image is fast and flexible to compute

Topological fingerprint could serve as a good feature vector, given that it is translation, rotation, and image resolution invariant



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