### **AIGRETTE** – Analyzing Large Scale Geometric Data Collections

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# My Background

- 2005 2010: PhD from Stanford University (dept. of Computational and Mathematical Engineering)
- 2011: engineer at Google Inc.
- Since 2012 Professor in the Computer Science Department at Ecole Polytechnique in France (LIX lab).





## **Shape Analysis at LIX – Geovic**

- Part of the GeoVic team dedicated to visual computing with 4 other permanent researchers (Damien Rohmer, Marie-Paule Cani, Pooran Memari, Vicky Kalogeiton).
- Many international collaborations: Stanford, MIT, UCL, KAUST, Univ. Toronto, Univ. Rome, etc.
- Currently supervising 5 PhD students and 1 PostDoc.





## **AIGRETTE Research Context**

A deluge of *geometric* **3D data**: Computer Aided Design, Computer Animation, Bio-medical and Cultural Heritage imaging....





## **Motivation and Long Term Vision**

#### **Motivation:**

A deluge of data and *its representations*, ill-suited for modern applications (point clouds, triangle, quad meshes, graphs...)



#### Vision:

Unified computational framework for efficient shape *processing and analysis* across different representations. Finding *detailed relations* and *differences* in the data.

## **AIGRETTE – Challenges**

#### **Challenges:**

Most successful learning methods rely on

- 1. A lot (!) of labeled training data
- 2. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)



image by Jeff Dean



## **AIGRETTE – Challenges**

#### Challenges:

Geometric data is typically:

- 1. Poorly labeled (maybe thousands vs millions of instances)
- 2. Unstructured (CNNs don't apply)
- 3. Heterogeneous different representations, riddled with noise, outliers, acquisition errors, etc.



ShapeNet 55k+ 3D models

MPI FAUST human, 20k+ models Data from partners (Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle, Musée de l'Homme, RNA molecule structure), 100s – 1000s of 3D models

### AIGRETTE – main tasks

#### Main Objective:

Develop efficient algorithms and mathematical tools for analyzing diverse *geometric data collections*.

#### **Axes of Study:**

- 1. Develop *representations* of geometric data, suitable for modern learning pipelines.
- 2. Design of methods for *injecting geometric prior information* :
  - Geometric features (normals, curvature, etc.)
  - Consistency measures across individual objects to handle scarcity of labeled data
- 3. Develop *robust methods* capable of handling noise and artefacts.
- 4. Incorporate diverse data sources.

### **Example Relevant Projects**

1. PointCleanNet - *Learning to Denoise and Dense Point* Clouds



*PointCleanNet: Learning to Denoise and Remove Outliers from Dense Point Clouds,* M.-J. Rakotosaona, V. La Barbera, P. Guerrero, N. Mitra, M. O., CGF 2019

### **Example Relevant Projects**

2. Deep Learning for *Dense Non-rigid Shape Matching* (Correspondence)



Deep Geometric Functional Maps: Robust Feature Learning for Shape Correspondence, N. Donati, A. Sharma, M. O., CVPR 2020 (Best Paper Award Nominee)

### **Example Relevant Projects**

### 3. Deep Learning **directly on surfaces** in 3D

Defining equivariant convolution on a 3D surface



Multi-directional geodesic neural networks via equivariant convolution, Adrien Poulenard, M. O., Proc. SIGGRAPH Asia 2018

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### **Questions?**

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