Statistical Shape Analysis

Applications in orthopedics, and more...

* Images: Cates J, "Shape Modelling and Analysis with Entropy based Particle Systems," PhD Thesis, University of Utah

Study of 'Shape'

What questions can it answer ?*

Genetics How does a gene mutation change skeletal development in mice?

Anthropology & Evolutionary Biology How does bone shape vary in a fossil record? Is the shape of a given bone a good classifier for species?

Neuroanatomy Is there a difference in the shape of brain structures between schizophrenic and normal populations?

Biomechanics What is the normal covariation in shape of structures of the hip joint? How does it change as a function of age?

Statistical Shape Analysis It's all about representation...



Given a collection of shapes, we can use a point based representation for each S_i

BUT...





How do we choose the "same" points ??

Point Correspondence Model Balancing accuracy vs. low variance

Shape Representation*





Configuration Space (d-dim) $S_i \rightarrow (x_i^1, ..., x_i^{2M})$ $x_i \rightarrow$ d-dimensional point



Shape Space (dM-dim): S_i -> single point !

Trade off: accurate sampling vs. compact model

Correspondence Pipeline*



ShapeWorks for Orthopedics

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FAI Characterization[†]

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Fig: Radiographs of subjects with healthy (left) and cam FAI (right) femurs. Circles indicate the anterolateral head-neck junction.

Objective: quantify 3D variation and morphologic differences between control and cam femurs

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Fig: Two views (two rows) of the mean control (left) and cam (right) shapes. Mean control shape (center), color coded to depict shape differences in comparison with mean CAM shape

Segmented femurs from controls (33) and patients(15) with CAM-FAI
Statistically significant group differences (p-value < 0.01)
Mean shape deviations between control and CAM groups most pronounced at the anterolateral head-neck junction (max = 2.7mm)

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Fig: Mean shapes (μ) for both groups and shapes at ±3 standard deviations for the first 3 modes

Consistent differences captured by individual modes for control and CAM groups

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Mouse Model of Osteochondroma

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- Individuals with multiple osteochondromas (MO) demonstrate shortened long bones. Possible reason: steal phenomenon
- Segmented bones (femur, tibia+fibula) from mice, genetically altered to inflict osteochondroma at various stages in time





Histopathology image of MO in mice bone



Segmented femur and tibia+fibula used in study

MO in human bone

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Fig: Group mean differences for femur Color code: expansion (blue) or contraction (yellow) w.r.t normal

Statistically significant group differences (individual *p-values* < 0.01)
Correlation with length evident visually in the group means

Next step: Directional analysis

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Fig: Directional analysis for femur Arrows show local deformation from mean-normal to mean-mutant shape

Gives visual indication of the steal phenomenon, with:

- Tangential deformation in most areas of the mean shape, leading to shortening in length
- Orthogonal deformation near "bumps", leading to local increase in girth

Next step: Quantifying differences for individual subjects

Summary

ShapeWorks Pipeline



Thank you !

Questions?