

# Shape Similarity based on a Treelet Kernel with Edition

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# Context

- 2D shapes given by
  - continuous functions of their boundaries
  - binary functions defined over a discrete domain



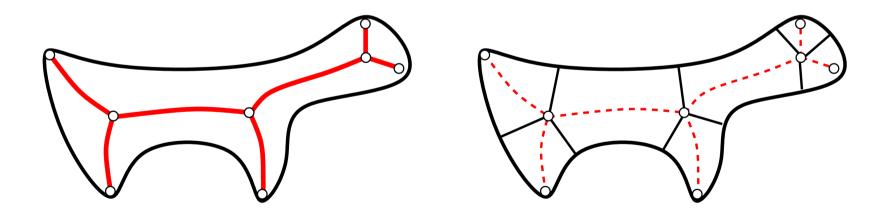
## How to compare these shapes ?

- for matching, classification
  - structural and numerical methods
  - > boundary-based, skeleton-based



# From shapes to graphs

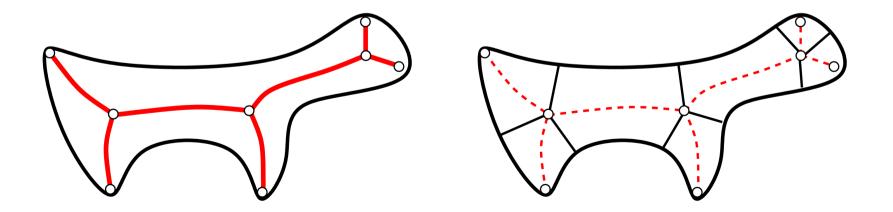
- medial axis skeleton (centers of maximal inscribed disks)
  - graph structure invariant to scaling, rotations and translations
  - homotopic to the shape
  - induces a natural decomposition of the shape
  - weak representation of local properties needed for shape comparison





## From shapes to graphs

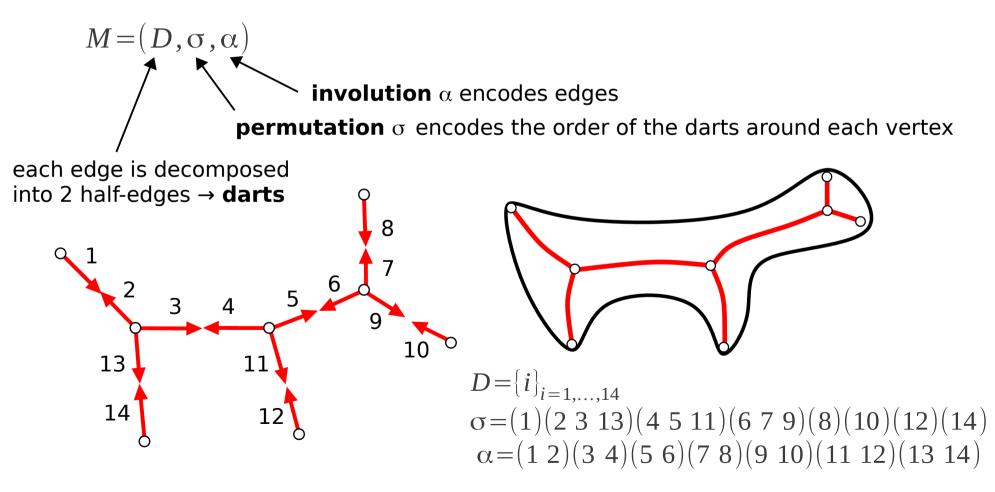
- skeleton graph + attributes
- nodes (intersection and terminal points)
  - distance to gravity center (normalized by shape area)
- edges (branches)
  - Iength of the boundary induced by the branch (normalized by total length)
  - $\ensuremath{\scriptstyle \rightarrow}$  evolution of the radius of minimal inscribed disks along the branch
  - > area of the corresponding sub-shape (normalized by the total area)





# From shapes to graphs

- skeleton graph embedded in the plane
  - combinatorial map to encode the orientation of edges around nodes

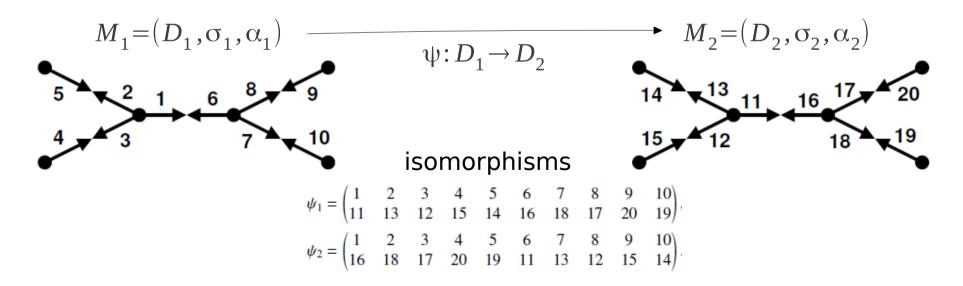




# **Comparison of shapes** → **combinatorial maps**

- equivalence between maps (having the same number of darts)
- orientation-preserving symmetry [Cori 85]
  - $\psi$  isomorphism between two maps  $M_1 = (D_1, \sigma_1, \alpha_1)$  and  $M_2 = (D_2, \sigma_2, \alpha_2)$
  - → edges are preserved:  $\psi \circ \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \circ \psi$
  - → orientation around nodes is preserved:  $\psi \circ \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 \circ \psi$

→ set of automorphisms of M = Aut(M)



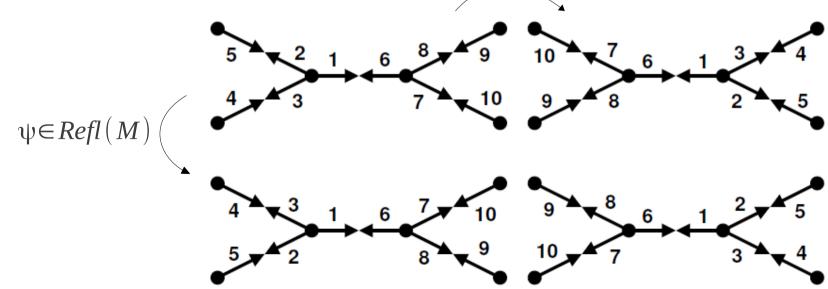


# **Comparison of shapes** → **combinatorial maps**

- equivalence between maps (having the same number of darts)
- orientation-reversing symmetry
  - $\psi$  reflection between two maps  $M_1 = (D_1, \sigma_1, \alpha_1)$  and  $M_2 = (D_2, \sigma_2, \alpha_2)$
  - → edges are preserved:  $\psi \circ \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \circ \psi$
  - → orientation around nodes is reversed:  $\psi \circ \sigma_1 = \sigma_2^{-1} \circ \psi$

→ set of reflections of M = Refl(M)





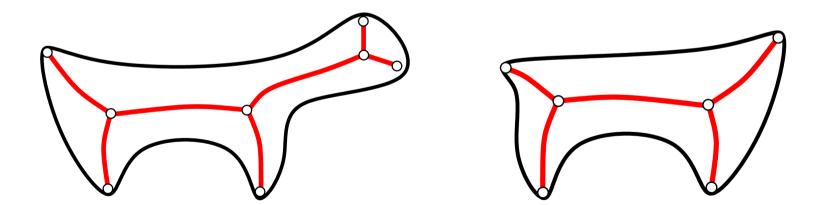


# **Comparison of shapes** → **combinatorial maps**

equivalence between maps (having the same number of darts)

 $Sym(M) = Aut(M) \cup Refl(M) = Aut(M) \cup Aut(M^{-1})$ 

- equivalence between maps with different numbers of darts ?
- comparison of maps with attributes attachted to nodes and edges ?



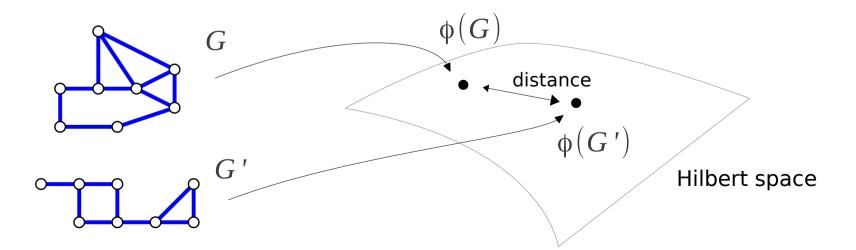


# **Graph kernels**

## idea: induce a mapping within a Hilbert space

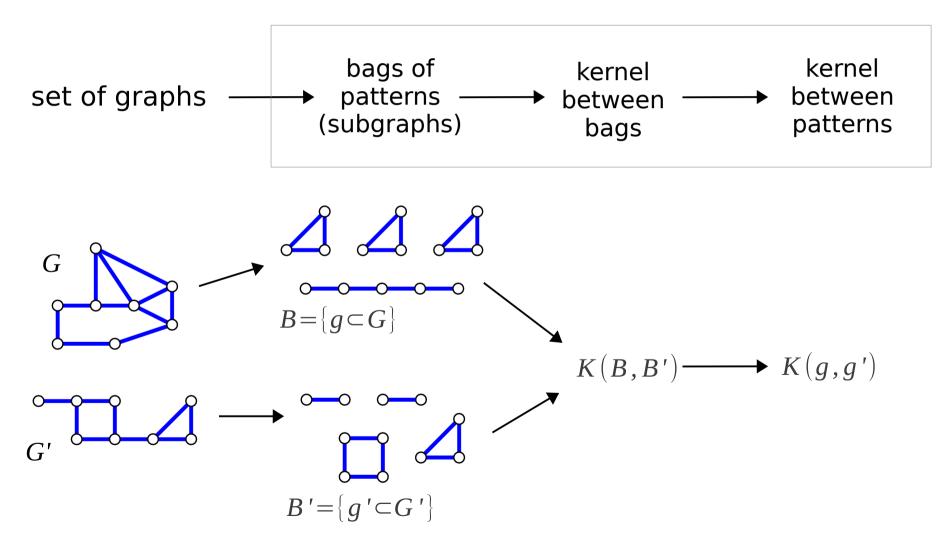
 $K(G,G') = \langle \phi(G), \phi(G') \rangle$ 

- → *K* may be understood as a similarity measure between *G* and *G*′
- K is usually designed to provide an easy separation between classes
- → equility hold only if *K* is (symmetric) **positive-definite**





## **Design of graph kernels**





# **Bag of patterns framework**

- all walks of a graph (Random walk kernel) [Kashima et al., ICML03]
  - implicit enumeration
  - linear representation
- all trails up to a given depth [Dupe and Brun, GbR09]
  - + explicit enumeration
  - linear representation
- all tree patterns up to a given length [Mahé and Vert, Machine Learning 09]
  - implicit enumeration
  - + nonlinear representation
- all subgraphs up to size 5 [Shervashidze et al., Conf. Art. Intel. and Stat. 09]
  - + explicit enumeration
  - + nonlinear representation
- all tree patterns of a dictionary [Gauzere et al., GbR11] [Bougleux et al., ICPR12]
  - + explicit enumeration
  - + nonlinear representation

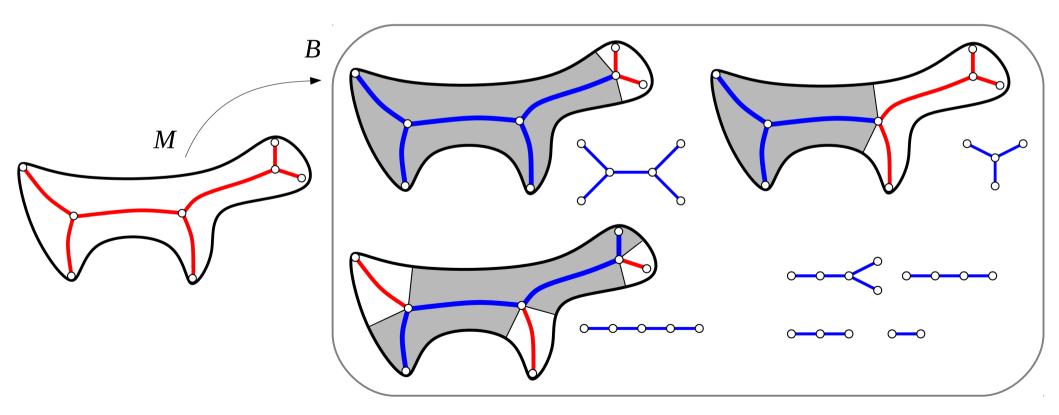


# Introduction Shape similarity Experiments



# **Combinatorial map encoding → Bag of sub-structures**

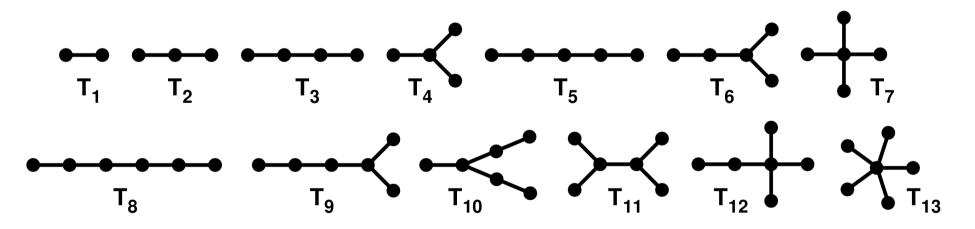
- shape represented by a bag B of sub-shapes easier to compare
- each sub-shape is encoded by a submap of the skeleton map M





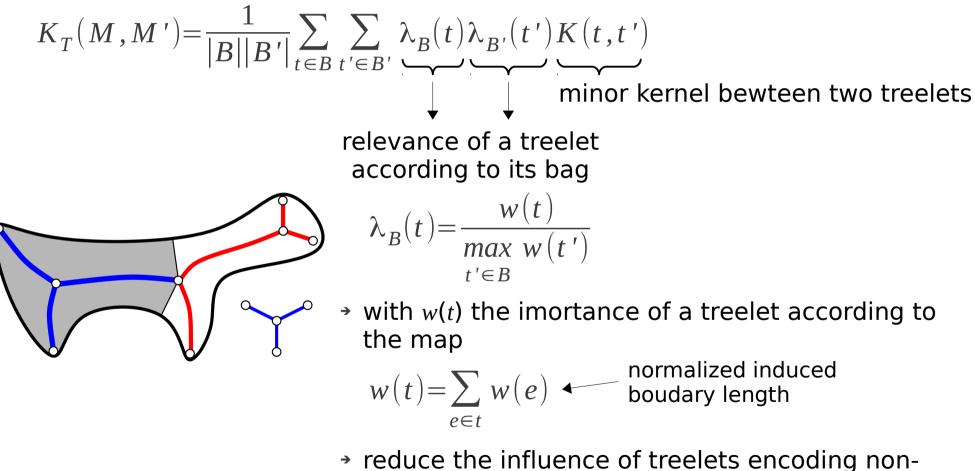
# **Combinatorial map encoding → Bag of treelets**

- a treelet is an instance of a tree pattern in a map
- bag of treelets
  - enumeration of all the treelets of a map
  - according to a dictionary of tree patterns





# Kernel between two bags of treelets



reduce the influence of treelets encoding n relevant parts of the shape



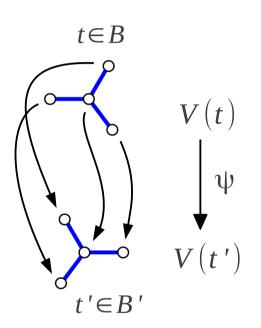
# Treelets corresponding to a same tree pattern $T_p$

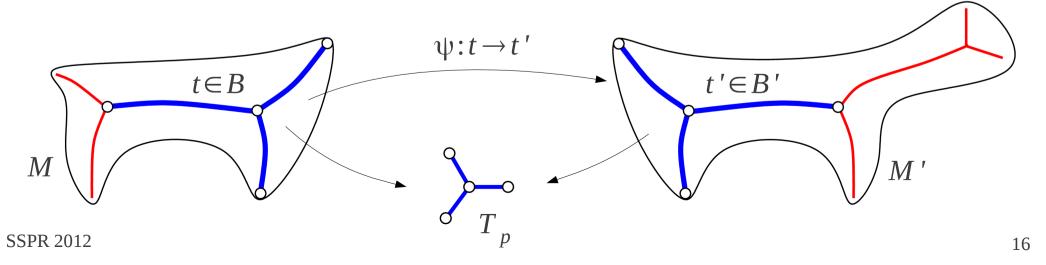
- given a mapping  $\psi: t \rightarrow t'$
- kernel between treelets aligned by ψ
   product of node and edge similarities

$$K_{\psi}(t,t') = \prod_{v \in V(t)} K_{V}(v,\psi(v)) \prod_{e \in E(t)} K_{E}(e,\psi(e))$$

kernel between nodes or edges

$$K_{A}(a,a') = \prod_{k=1}^{k=n_{A}} \exp\left(-\frac{\|f_{A,k}(a) - f_{A,k}(a')\|^{2}}{2\sigma^{2}}\right)$$

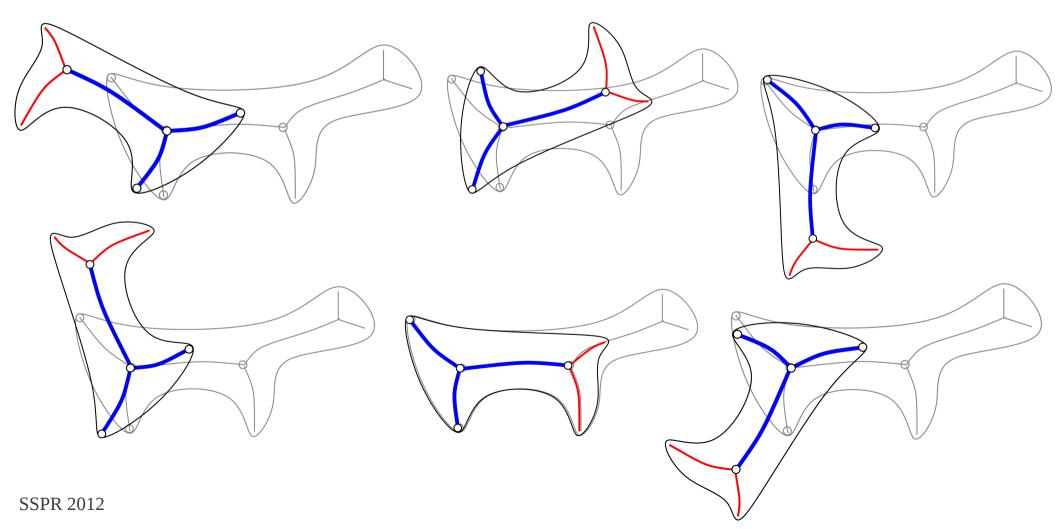






# Treelets corresponding to a same tree pattern $T_{n}$

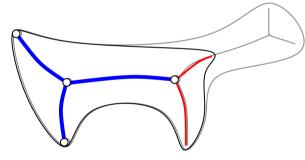
- several mappings  $\psi \in Sym(T_p)$
- correspond to rotational and mirror shape symmetries





# Treelets corresponding to a same tree pattern $T_{n}$

- among the mappings  $\psi \in Sym(t,t')$
- choosing the one realizing the **best alignment**: argmax  $K_{\psi}(t,t')$ 
  - may lead to kernels not (symmetric) positive-definite
  - inadapted to discriminate dissimilar treelets



#### kernel between two treelets

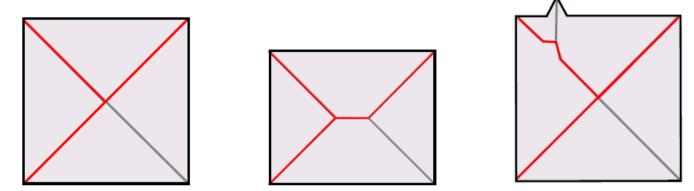
= average of the similarities between their different matches

$$K_{treelet}(t,t') = \frac{1}{|Sym(t,t')|} \sum_{\psi \in Sym(t,t')} K_{\psi}(t,t'), \quad if Sym(t,t') \neq \emptyset,$$

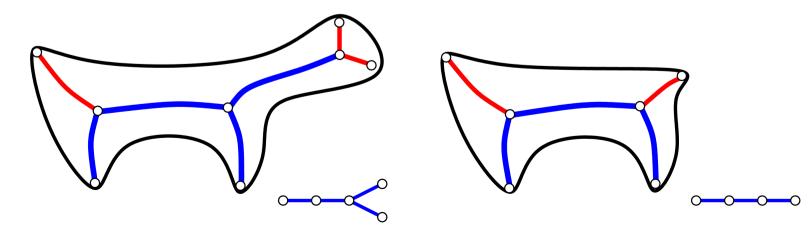
and 0 otherwise (t and t' are not isomorphic to a same tree pattern)



- skeletons are sensitive to small shape deformations
  - kernel  $K_{treelet}$  can be affected by structural noise



- 2 treelets not corresponding to a same tree pattern
  - may be similar up to node suppressions and edge contractions





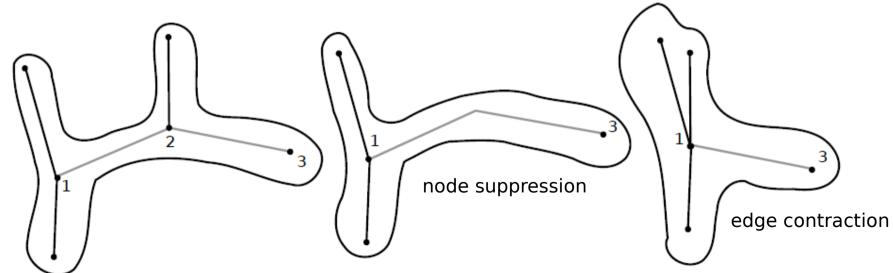
each treelet is transformed into a sequence of smaller ones

### node suppression

- cut parts connected to the node and outside of the treelet
- merge parts connected to the node and inside the treelet
- restricted to nodes of degree 2

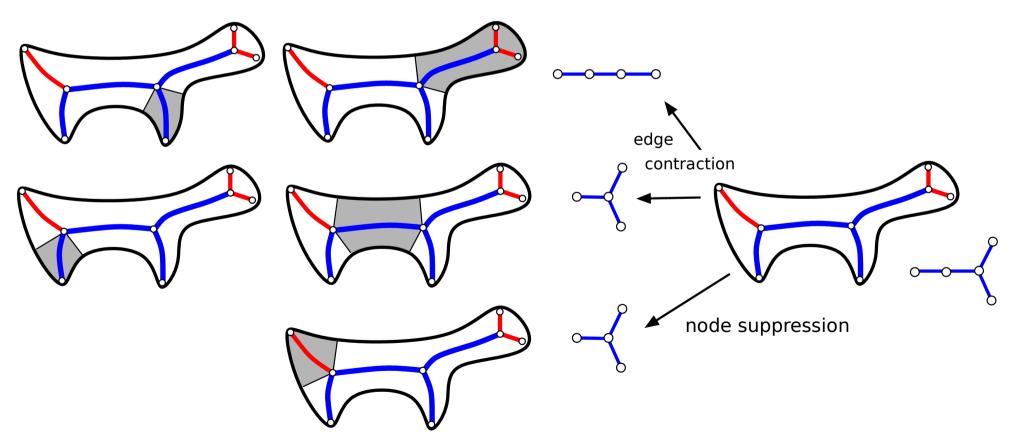
### edge contraction

- contraction of the shape
- applied to each edge of the treelet



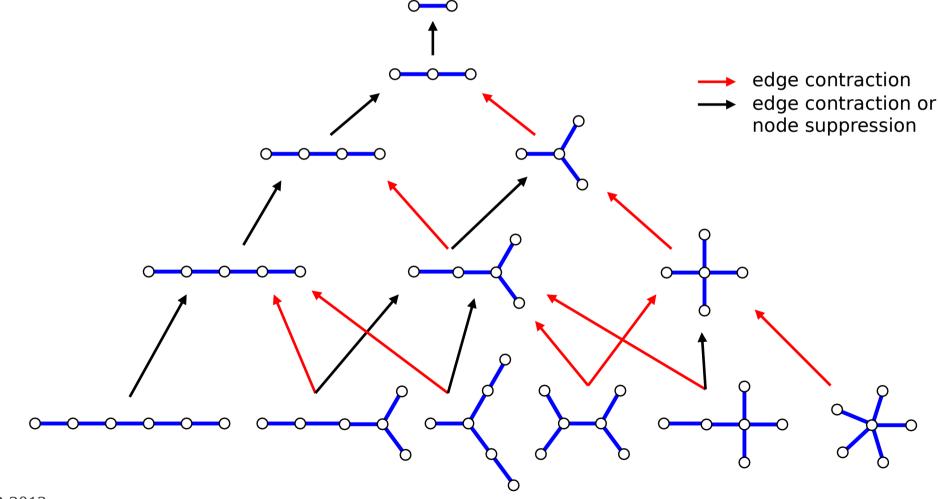


- given a treelet t with k nodes
  - $\rightarrow$  transform *t* into a treelet with *k*-1 nodes with an edit operation
- set of possible rewritings R(t)





set of possible rewritings of treelets
 acyclic graph on the set of tree patterns

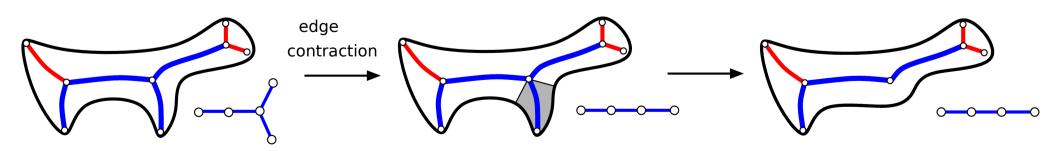




- given a treelet t with k nodes
  - $\rightarrow$  transform t into a treelet with k-1 nodes with an edit operation
- several rewritings R(t)
  - retain the one inducing a minimal shape distortion
- cost assigned to an edit operation  $r(t) \in R(t)$

$$cost(r(t)) = \frac{length(\partial P_{r(t)})}{length(\partial S)} \quad \longleftarrow P_{r(t)}: \text{ part of the shape which is deleted}$$

• minimal operation:  $\kappa(t) = \underset{r \in R(t)}{\operatorname{argmin}} \operatorname{cost}(r)$ 





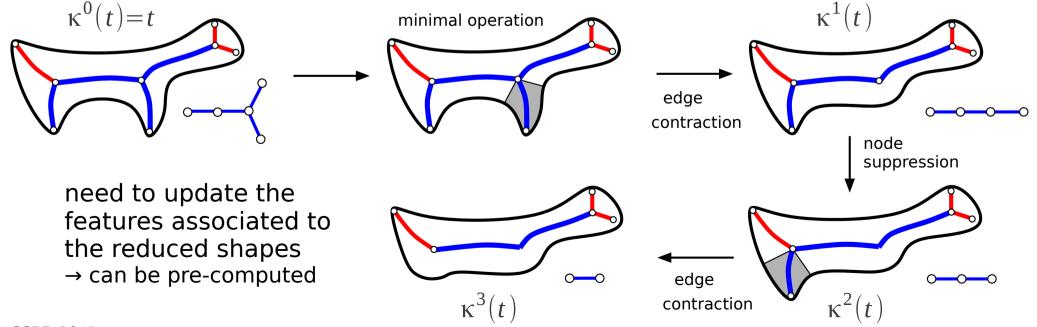
application of k successive minimal operations

 $t = \kappa^{0}(t), \kappa^{k}(t) = \kappa(\kappa(\dots\kappa(t)))$ 

## cost of k successive minimal operations

 $cost_k(t) = sum of the costs of each operation needed to reduce t to <math>\kappa^k(t)$ 

consider the m<sub>t</sub> operations needed to reduce t to an edge





# Hierarchical treelet kernel based on edition

- similarity between two treelets (equivalent or not)
  - = sum of the similarities between the equivalent reduced treelets

$$K_{edit}(t,t') = \sum_{k=0}^{k=m_t} \sum_{l=0}^{l=m_t'} \exp\left(-\frac{\cos t_k(t) + \cos t_l(t')}{2\sigma_{edit}^2}\right) K_{treelet}(\kappa^k(t),\kappa^l(t'))$$

where equivalent treelets are compared according to all their different correspondances

$$K_{treelet}(t,t') = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|Sym(t,t')|} \sum_{\psi \in Sym(t,t')} K_{\psi}(t,t') & \text{if } Sym(t,t') \neq \emptyset\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and global kernel between two maps (shapes) becomes

$$K_{T}(M, M') = \frac{1}{|B||B'|} \sum_{t \in B} \sum_{t' \in B'} \lambda_{B}(t) \lambda_{B'}(t') K_{edit}(t, t')$$



# Hierarchical treelet kernel based on edition

similarity between of shapes

$$K_{T}(M, M') = \frac{1}{|B||B'|} \sum_{t \in B} \sum_{t' \in B'} \lambda_{B}(t) \lambda_{B'}(t') K_{edit}(t, t')$$

- \* kernel between bags of combinatorial maps
- (symmetric) positive-definite
- weighted mean kernel [Kashima et al., ICML03] [Suard et al., ESANN07] but with edition [Dupe and Brun, ICIAP09]
- Image: minimal edition operations can be pre-computed for each treelet
- relies on reacher structures than its counterpart based on paths [Dupe and Brun, ICIAP09 and GbR09]



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# k-NN matching on Kimia25 dataset [Shavit et al., JVCIP98]

- 6 classes, 25 shapes
  - part of the dataset



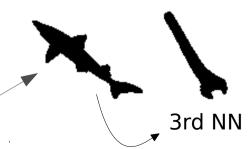


# k-NN matching on Kimia25 dataset [Shavit et al., JVCIP98]

- 6 classes, 25 shapes
- consider the 3 NN of each shape

Method	k=1	k=2	k=3
edit distance [Neuhaus and Bunke, Patt. Recog. 06]	23	19	18
<b>SID</b> [Sharvit <i>et al.</i> , JVCIP 98]	23	21	20
<i>K<sub>T</sub></i> restricted to paths without edition [Dupe and Brun, GbR09]	24	22	21
syntactic matching [Gdalyahu and Weinshall, PAMI 99]	25	21	19
shape context [Belongie <i>et al.</i> , PAMI 02]	25	24	22
<i>K<sub>T</sub></i> without edition [Bougleux <i>et al.</i> , ICPR12]	25	24	22
ID-shape context [Ling and Jacobs, PAMI 07]	25	24	25
$K_T$ with edition	25	25	24

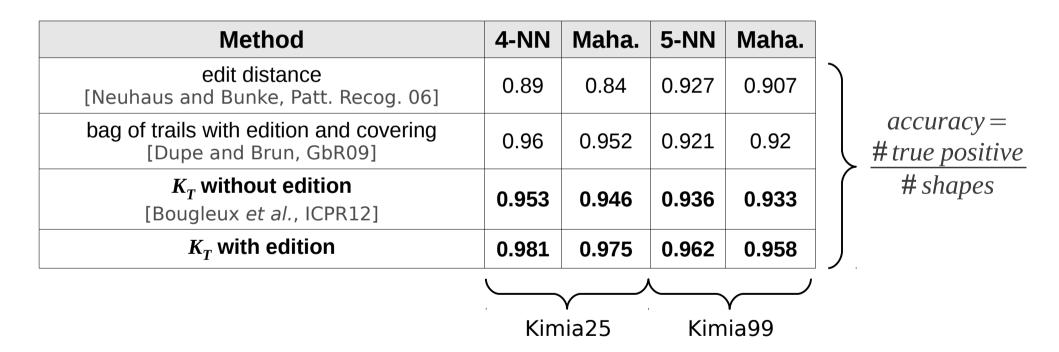
number of closest
shapes belonging
to the same class





# Classification on Kimia25 and 99 [Shavit et al., JVCIP98]

- 6 classes, 25 shapes 11 classes, 99 shapes
- k-fold cross-validation based on Mahalanobis distance or k-NN



estimation of kernel parameters by a cross-validation on a reduced dataset



# Shape similarity

- decomposition of skeletons into treelets embedded in the plane
- weighted mean kernel between bags of treelets
- hierarchical comparison through an edition mechanism
- take into accout rotational and mirror shape symmetries
- improve the behavior of similar kernels
  - without edition
  - with edition and covering, but restricted to paths (trails)

# **Futur work**

- behavior of the kernel on more complex datasets ?
   need to take into account shapes with holes
- other strategies for computing a minimal set of successive reductions
- extension to 3D shapes and other type of data (images)



# Thanks for your attention.

**Any question !**