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**Scattered Data Interpolation in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  using  
Minimum Norm Curve Networks**

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## Abstract:

Scattered data interpolation is a fundamental problem in approximation theory and Computer Aided Geometric Design with applications in a variety of fields such as automotive, aircraft and ship design, architecture, medicine, computer graphics, and more. Recently, the problem has become particularly relevant in bioinformatics and scientific visualization for surface reconstruction from point clouds.

We study two extremal problems (unconstrained and constrained) related to interpolation of scattered data in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  by smooth curve networks with minimal  $L_p$ -norm of the second derivative for  $1 < p < \infty$ . The unconstrained problem for  $p = 2$  was set and solved by Nielson [1]. Andersson et al. [2] gave a new proof of Nielson's result by using a different approach. It allowed them to set and solve the constrained extremal problem of interpolation of convex scattered data in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  by minimum  $L_2$ -norm networks that are convex along the edges of an associated triangulation. The unconstrained problem for  $1 < p < \infty$  was solved in [3].

In this talk we will present a complete characterization of the solutions to both the unconstrained and the constrained problems for  $1 < p < \infty$ .

## References

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