## Two Sample Tests for Mean 3D Projective Shapes from Digital Camera Images

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**Abstract** In this article, we extend mean 3D projective shape change in matched pairs to independent samples. We provide a brief introduction of projective shapes of spatial configurations obtained from their digital camera images, building on previous results of Crane and Patrangenaru (J Multivar Anal 102:225–237, 2011). The manifold of projective shapes of *k*-ads in 3D containing a projective frame at five given landmark indices has a natural Lie group structure, which is inherited from the quaternion multiplication. Here, given the small sample size, one estimates the mean 3D projective shape change in two populations, based on independent random samples of possibly different sizes using Efron's nonparametric bootstrap. This methodology is applied in three relevant applications of analysis of 3D scenes from digital images: visual quality control, face recognition, and scene recognition.

**Keywords** 3D scene reconstruction from a pair of uncalibrated camera views. 3D projective shape · Quaternions · Fréchet means · Extrinsic mean change on a Lie group · Asymptotic statistics on manifolds · Nonparametric bootstrap on manifolds · Computational statistics · Visual quality control · Face recognition

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#### 1 Introduction

Without exception, seers including insects, cephalopods, and vertebrates have bilateral vision. Light from the surrounding environment is gathered and projected onto a pair retinas, where it is translated into electrical impulses and sent to brain regions for further processing. The mechanism of 3D vision within the bounded domain of a brain or of a machine is very complex and, until recently, was poorly understood. On the Geometry and Optics level, progress was made due to key results in Computer Vision by Longuet-Higgins (1981), Faugeras (1992), Hartley et al. (1992) and others. These results, and human visual perception led (Patrangenaru et al. 2012) to conclude that *all we see are 3D projective shapes*.

On the heels of these results, the main objective of this paper is to develop two sample tests statistics for extrinsic 3D mean projective shapes, based on data extracted from pairs of digital camera images. Our methodology is nonparametric bootstrap. Combining bilateral images into a 3D object is a crucial step. Therefore in Section 2 we recall the result on the 3D projective scene reconstruction of a finite spatial configuration from pairs of its *uncalibrated* digital camera images. Here we also introduce  $P\Sigma_m^k, k > m + 1$ , the projective shape space of k-ads including a projective frame at fixed given indices, and using projective coordinates, we identify this space with a direct product of real projective spaces in dimension m. Analysis of projective shapes regarded as objects, is given as an example of the general Fréchet principle of studying nonlinear data on metric spaces. The distance used between projective shapes is the chord distance via the Veronese–Whitney (VW) embedding of  $(\mathbb{R}P^m)^{k-m-2}$  in a product of spaces of symmetric matrices. The VW mean of a random projective shape is its Fréchet mean relative to this extrinsic distance. Asymptotic test statistics for the equality of the extrinsic means of independent random objects (r. o.'s) on a manifold embedded in the Euclidean space on manifolds were first considered in Hendriks and Landsman (1998) and more recently in Bhattacharya (2008) and Bhattacharya and Bhattacharya (2012). In an attempt of addressing the case of matched pairs, Bhattacharya (2008) also derived a large sample test statistic under the more general assumption of correlated pairs of r. o.'s when the sample sizes are equal. In Section 3, we derive an asymptotic test statistics for the average change between two r.o.'s on Lie groups, thus extending hypothesis testing problems for the mean difference of two random vectors to the case of extrinsic means of independent r.o.'s on a Lie group. A two sample hypothesis testing problem for extrinsic means on the embedded manifold  $\mathcal M$  that admits a simply transitive Lie group of isometries  $\mathcal{G}$ , can be formulated, and in Theorem 3.1 a large sample test statistic is given for this problem. Nonparametric bootstrap confidence regions are also given in this section. In Section 4 we show that the space of 3D projective shapes of configurations that include a projective frame has a Lie group structure (see also Crane and Patrangenaru 2011), thus allowing to define and test for VW-mean projective shape change. Here we combine previous nonparametric inference methodology for projective shapes with those in Section 3. As a result, nonparametric bootstrap confidence regions for the change in VW 3D means are derived in Corollary 4.1 and Remark 4.2. Section 5 is dedicated to three applications of the nonparametric bootstrap methodology for two samples tests for mean VW 3D projective shapes developed in the previous section. Here we give one example of two sample tests for 3D mean projective shape of polyhedral scenes extracted from digital images, where the null hypothesis is rejected. The 3D projective shape data is extracted from pairs of digital images by combining algorithms described in Ma et al. (2006) and Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005). The first application can be used in visual quality control (see Bhattacharya et al. 2012), the second one in landmark based face recognition, and the third one in scene recognition (a bust of Epicurus). The bust data, which is new, is given for convenience in the Appendix.

### 2 3D Projective Shapes from Uncalibrated Camera Images and Projective Shape Manifolds

In this section we recall basic facts about the geometry of 3D vision from bilateral views. For more details, see Hartley and Zisserman (2004), Patrangenaru et al. (2010) and the references therein. A point in the outer space and its central projection via the camera pinhole, determine a unique line in space, leading to the definition of the real projective plane  $\mathbb{R}P^2$  as space of all straight lines going through the origin of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Consider a real vector space V, and let  $0_V$  be the zero of this vector space. Two vectors  $x, y \in V \setminus \{0_V\}$  are equivalent if they differ by a scalar multiple. The equivalence class of  $x \in V \setminus \{0_V\}$  is labeled [x], and the set of all such equivalence classes is the *projective space* P(V) associated with V,  $P(V) = \{[x], x \in V \setminus \{0_V\}\}$ . The real projective space in m dimensions,  $\mathbb{R}P^m$  is the projective space  $P(\mathbb{R}^{m+1})$ . Another notation for a *projective point*  $p = [x] \in \mathbb{R}P^m$ , equivalence class of  $x = (x^1, \ldots, x^{m+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ , is  $p = [x^1 : x^2 : \cdots : x^{m+1}]$  featuring the *homogeneous coordinates of p*. The *affine coordinates relative to the last homogeneous coordinate* of the projective point  $p = [x^1 : x^2 : \cdots : x^{m+1}]$  are

$$\varphi_{m+1}(p) = (a^1, a^2, \dots, a^m), a^j = \frac{x^j}{x^{m+1}}, \forall j = 1, \dots, m.$$
 (2.1)

The spherical representation of a point  $[x] \in \mathbb{R}P^m$ , is  $z = \frac{x}{\|x\|}$ , and is uniquely determined up to its sign. A projective transformation is a map  $\pi : P(V) \to P(V)$ , given by  $\pi([x]) = [Ax], A \in GL(V)$ .

The problem of the reconstruction of a configuration of points in 3D from two ideal uncalibrated camera images with unknown camera parameters, is equivalent to the following: given two camera images  $\mathbb{R}P_1^2$ ,  $\mathbb{R}P_2^2$  of unknown relative position and internal camera parameters and two matching sets of labeled points  $\{p_{a,1}, \ldots, p_{a,k}\} \subset \mathbb{R}P_a^2$ , a = 1, 2, find all the sets of points in space  $p_1, \ldots, p_k$  in such that there exist two positions of the planes  $\mathbb{R}P_1^2$ ,  $\mathbb{R}P_2^2$  and internal parameters of the two cameras  $c_a$ , a = 1, 2 with the property that the  $c_a$ -image of  $p_j$  is  $p_{a,j}$ ,  $\forall a = 1, 2, j = 1, \ldots, k$ .

In absence of registration errors, in the uncalibrated case, the solution to the reconstruction problem is unique up to a projective transformation (see Faugeras 1992 and Hartley et al. 1992).

**Definition 2.1** Two sets of labeled points  $\{p_{a,1}, \ldots, p_{a,k}\} \subset \mathbb{R}P_a^m$ , a = 1, 2, have the same projective shape if there is a projective transformation  $\beta : \mathbb{R}P^m \to \mathbb{R}P^m$ , such that  $\beta(p_{1,j}) = p_{2,j}, \forall j = 1, \ldots k$ .

The reconstruction algorithm was therefore reformulated as follows by Sughatadasa (2006) and by Patrangenaru et al. (2010):

**Theorem 2.1** In absence of occlusions, any two 3D reconstructed configurations  $\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{R}'$  obtained from a pair of 2D matched configurations in uncalibrated cameras images of a 3D configuration  $\mathcal{C}$ , have the same projective shape.

Note that the solution of the reconstruction problem, from a pair of 2D images depends on a landmark correspondence.

## 2.1 Projective Frames and Projective Shapes

A projective frame in  $\mathbb{R}P^m$  is an ordered m + 2 tuple of points  $\pi = (p_1, \ldots, p_{m+2})$ , any m + 1 of which are in general position. The *standard* projective frame  $\pi_0$  is the projective frame associated with the standard vector basis  $e = (e_1, \ldots, e_{m+1})$ , of  $\mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ , in this case  $\pi_0 = (p_{0,1}, \ldots, p_{0,m+2})$ , where  $p_{0,j} = [e_j], \forall j = 1, \ldots, m + 1$ , and  $p_{0,m+2} = [e_1 + \cdots + e_{m+1}]$ . Note that since the action of a projective transformation is uniquely determined by its action on a projective frame (see Mardia and Patrangenaru 2005), given a point  $p \in \mathbb{R}P^m$ , its *projective coordinates*  $p^{\pi}$  w.r.t. *a projective frame*  $\pi = (p_1, \ldots, p_{m+2})$  are defined as the image of p under the projective transformation that takes  $\pi$  to  $\pi_0$  (for an example of projective shape data registration in 2D given in Buibas et al. (2012) see Fig. 1). The projective coordinates of a point on the projective space w.r.t. a projective frame, as well as their equations, in terms of the coordinates of the projective frame are given in Patrangenaru (2001), Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005), Munk et al. (2008), or Patrangenaru et al. (2010).

# 2.2 Manifolds of Projective Shapes in General Position and their Veronese–Whitney Embeddings

Two ordered sets of points in  $\mathbb{R}P^m$  (*k*-ads)  $(p_1, \dots, p_k), (p'_1, \dots, p'_k)$  have the same **projective shape** if there is a projective transformation  $\pi$  of  $\mathbb{R}P^m$ , with  $\pi(p_i) = p'_i, \forall i = 1, \dots, k$ . Having the same projective shape is an equivalence relationship on the set of *k*-ads, and the equivalence class  $p\sigma(p) = p\sigma((p_1, \dots, p_k))$  of a *k*-ad



 $(p_1, \ldots p_k)$  is called *projective shape*. Early statistical studies of projective shape including Mardia et al. (1996), Goodall and Mardia (1999), based on parametric models for projective invariants, were soon replaced by nonparametric data analysis on manifolds using a general method of projective frames by Patrangenaru (1999). There is a particular interest in projective shapes of *k*-ads *in general position* in  $\mathbb{R}P^m$ . These are projective shapes of *k*-ads that contain a projective frame, and in particular for such *k*-ads  $k \ge m + 2$ . In general, if a configuration of ( possibly infinitely many ) points contains a projective frame, then the projective shape of that configuration w.r.t. that projective frame. Let  $P\Sigma_m^k$  be the set of projective shapes of generic *k*ads in  $\mathbb{R}P^m$ , such that the first m + 2 points in the k-tuple form a projective frame.  $P\Sigma_m^k$  is a manifold diffeomorphic with ( $\mathbb{R}P^m$ )<sup>k-m-2</sup>, leading to a *multivariate axial data analysis* (Mardia and Patrangenaru 2005). Assume q = k - m - 2. Patrangenaru (2001), Mardia et al. (2003), Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005) and others considered the diagonal equivariant *Veronese–Whitney* (*VW*) *embedding* of  $P\Sigma_m^k$  given by

$$j_k: P\Sigma_m^k = (\mathbb{R}P^m)^q \to (Sym(m+1))^q \tag{2.2}$$

defined by

$$j_k([x_1], ..., [x_q]) = (j([x_1]), ..., j([x_q])),$$
(2.3)

where  $x_s \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ ,  $x_s^T x_s = 1$ ,  $\forall s = 1, ..., q$  and *j* is the Veronese–Whitney embedding

$$j([x]) = xx^T, x^T x = 1.$$
 (2.4)

#### 2.3 Fréchet's Program for a Statistical Analysis of Random Objects

In general, the question of studying random elements (often called *random objects* (r.o.'s)) other than random vectors was first raised by Fréchet (1948). As examples, Fréchet suggested to analyze the shape of a random contour, or the shape of an egg selected at random from an wire egg basket. Fréchet's approach to *Analysis of Object Data* (AoOD) consists in identifying an object with a point in a metric space (M, d). Next, given a r.o. X on M, he defined what we call today the *Fréchet function* on M, given by  $F_d(p) = E(d^2(X, p))$ . A minimizer of  $F_d$  above is a *Fréchet mean*, and the minimum value of  $F_d$  is the *Fréchet total variance*. In this paper we follow Fréchet's approach for inference on the projective shape manifold  $M = P\Sigma_m^k$  with the distance  $d(p\sigma(p), p\sigma(p')) = ||j_k(p\sigma(p)) - j_k(p\sigma(p'))||$ , where  $P\Sigma_m^k$  is identified with ( $\mathbb{R}P^m$ )^q and  $j_k$  is the VW embedding in Eq. 2.4. In this case the Fréchet mean of a random projective shape will be simply called *mean projective shape*. An early study of the asymptotic distribution of the total sample Fréchet variance associated with this distance d is due to Patrangenaru (1999, 2001).

#### 3 Two-Sample Tests for Extrinsic Means on a Lie Group

Recall that a group  $(\mathcal{G}, \odot)$  that has in addition an *m* dimensional manifold structure, such that the group multiplication  $\odot : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G}$ , and the inversion  $I : \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G}$ ,  $I(g) = g^{-1}$  are differentiable maps between manifolds, is called a *Lie group*. For a comprehensive introduction to manifolds and Lie groups, including *tangent spaces and tangent maps associated to differentiable maps between manifolds, embedding,* 

the tangent and normal component of a vector, relative to the tangent space at the point of a manifold, vector field on a manifold, Lie algebra of a Lie group, exponential map in a Lie group, etc see Spivak (1979). Recall that a local frame field on an m dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{G}$ , is an ordered set of local vector fields  $(e_1, \ldots, e_m)$  on an open subset  $U, e_i : U \to TU$ , such that for any point  $u \in U$ ,  $(e_1(u), \ldots, e_m(u))$  is a basis of  $T_u U = T_u \mathcal{G}$ .

#### 3.1 Test for Mean Change in Matched Pairs on a Lie Group

For a large sample of observations from a matched pair (X, Y) of random vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , one may estimate the difference vector D = Y - X to eliminate much of the influence of extraneous unit to unit variation (Johnson and Wichern 2007, p. 274), without increasing the dimensionality. Crane and Patrangenaru (2011) extended this technique to paired r.o.'s on an embedded Lie group that is not necessarily commutative. Assuming X and Y are paired r.o.'s on a Lie group  $(\mathcal{G}, \odot)$ . The *change* from X to Y was defined to be r. o.  $C =: X^{-1} \odot Y$ . A test for no mean change from X to Y is one for the null hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu_J = 1_{\mathcal{G}}, \tag{3.1}$$

where  $1_{\mathcal{G}}$  is the identity of  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $\mu_J$  is the *extrinsic mean* of C with respect to an embedding  $J : \mathcal{G} \to \mathbb{R}^N$ , which is given by

$$\mu_J = J^{-1}(P(\mu)). \tag{3.2}$$

Here  $\mu$  is the mean of J(C) and  $P(\mu)$  is its projection on  $J(\mathcal{G})$ , the point on  $J(\mathcal{G})$  that is closest to  $\mu$ , which is assumed to be unique (*C* is *J*-nonfocal). We assume J(C)has finite moments of sufficiently high order. If  $C_1, \ldots, C_n$  are i.i.d.r.o. s on  $\mathcal{G}$ , their extrinsic sample mean is the extrinsic mean of their empirical distribution.

Assume  $(e_1, \ldots, e_m)$  is a local orthonormal frame field defined on an open neighborhood J(U) of  $P(\mu)$  in  $J(\mathcal{G})$  T.he coordinates of the tangential component tan(v) of  $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$  w.r.t. the basis  $e_a(P(\mu)) \in T_{P(\mu)}J(\mathcal{G}), a = 1, \ldots, m$  are given by

$$tan(v) = (e_1(P(\mu))^T v \dots e_m(P(\mu))^T v)^T.$$
(3.3)

We set  $f_a(u) = (d_u J)^{-1}(e_a(J(u))), \forall u \in U$ . Then the random vector  $(d_{\mu_J})^{-1}(tan(P(\overline{J(X)}) - P_j(\mu)))$  has the following covariance matrix w.r.t. the basis  $f_1(\mu_J), \dots, f_m(\mu_J)$ :

$$\Sigma_{J} = (e_{a}(P(\mu))^{T} \Sigma_{\mu} e_{b}(P(\mu)))_{1 \le a, b \le m}$$
  
=  $\left[ \sum d_{\mu} P(e_{b}) \cdot e_{a}(P(\mu)) \right]_{a=1,...,m} \Sigma \left[ \sum d_{\mu} P(e_{b}) \cdot e_{a}(P(\mu)) \right]_{a=1,...,m}^{T}, (3.4)$ 

where  $\Sigma$  is the covariance of J(C) in  $\mathbb{R}^N$ .

**Definition 3.1** The distribution Q (of  $X_1$ ) is *J*-nonfocal, if  $P(\mu)$  is well defined. The matrix  $\Sigma_J$  given by Eq. 3.4 is the *extrinsic covariance matrix* of the *J*-nonfocal distribution Q w.r.t. the basis  $f_1(\mu_J), \ldots, f_m(\mu_J)$ . Given the i.i.d.'s matched pairs  $(X_i, Y_i) \in \mathcal{G}^2$ , i = 1, ..., n, and the corresponding changes  $C_i = X_i^{-1}Y_i \in \mathcal{G}$ , i = 1, ..., n, it is known (see Bhattacharya and Patrangenaru 2005) that

$$\sqrt{n}tan(J(\bar{C}) - J(\mu_J)) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}_m(0, \Sigma_J),$$
(3.5)

where  $\Sigma_J$  is the extrinsic covariance matrix of *C*, and tan(v) is the tangential component in  $T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{G})$  of a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$  with respect to the decomposition  $\mathbb{R}^N = T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{G}) \oplus (T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{G}))^{\perp}$ .

Let  $S_{J,n}$  be the sample extrinsic covariance matrix, obtained from the i.i.d.r.o.'s  $\{X_r\}_{r=1,...,n}$  from the unknown distribution Q. At this point we recall from Bhattacharya and Patrangenaru (2005) the steps that one takes to obtain a bootstrapped statistic from a pivotal statistic. If  $\{X_r^*\}_{r=1,...,n}$  is a random sample from the empirical  $\hat{Q}_n$ , conditionally given  $\{X_r\}_{r=1,...,n}$ , then the studentized vector valued statistic

$$V(X, Q) = n^{\frac{1}{2}} S_{J,n}^{-\frac{1}{2}} tan(P(\overline{J(X)}) - P(\mu))$$
(3.6)

leads to the bootstrapped statistic

$$V^{*}(X^{*}, \hat{Q}_{n}) = n^{\frac{1}{2}} S^{*}_{J,n}^{-\frac{1}{2}} tan_{P(\overline{J(X)}))}(P_{J}(\overline{J(X^{*})}) - P_{J}(\overline{J(X)})).$$
(3.7)

Here  $S_{J,n}^*$  is obtained from  $S_{J,n}$  substituting  $X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*$  for  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ , and  $T(X^*, \hat{Q}_n)$  is obtained from T(X, Q) by substituting  $X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*$  for  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ ,  $\overline{J(X)}$  for  $\mu$  and  $S_{J,n}^*$  for  $S_{J,n}$ .

**Corollary 3.1** A  $(1 - \alpha)100$  % bootstrap confidence region for  $\mu_J$  is  $C^*_{n,\alpha} := J^{-1}(U^*_{n,\alpha})$  with  $U^*_{n,\alpha}$  given by

$$U_{n,\alpha}^{*} = \{\mu \in J(\mathcal{G}) : n \| S_{J,n}^{-\frac{1}{2}} tan(P(\overline{J(X)}) - P(\mu)) \|^{2} \le c_{1-\alpha}^{*} \},$$
(3.8)

where  $c_{1-\alpha}^*$  is the upper  $100(1-\alpha)$  % point of the values

$$n\|S_{J,n}^*|^{-\frac{1}{2}}tan_{P(\overline{J(X)})}(P(\overline{J(X^*)}) - P(\overline{J(X)}))\|^2$$
(3.9)

among the bootstrap resamples.

## 3.2 Two-Sample Tests for Extrinsic Means on Manifolds and Simply Transitive Lie Group Actions

Recall that given an embedding  $J : \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}^N$ , we consider the *chord distance* on  $\mathcal{M}$ , given by  $d(x_1, x_2) = d_0(J(x_1), J(x_2))$ , where  $d_0$  is the Euclidean distance in  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . If  $X_{aj_a} : j_a = 1, \ldots, n_a, a = 1, 2$  are i.i.d.r.o.'s drawn from distributions  $Q_a, a = 1, 2$  on a  $\mathcal{M}$ , if we denote by  $\mu_a$  the mean of the induced probability  $Q_a \circ J^{-1}$  and by  $\Sigma_a$  its covariance matrix (a = 1, 2), then the extrinsic mean of  $Q_a$  is  $\mu_{a,J} = J^{-1}(P(\mu_a))$ , assuming  $Q_a$  is J-nonfocal, and the extrinsic sample mean is  $\bar{X}_{a,J} = J^{-1}(P(\bar{Y}_a))$ . Here, again, P is the projection from  $\mathbb{R}^N$  to  $J(\mathcal{M})$ , and we write  $Y_{aj_a} = J(X_{aj_a}) j_a = 1, \ldots, n_a, a = 1, 2$  then  $\bar{Y}_a, a = 1, 2$  is the corresponding sample mean. Assuming finite second moments of  $Y_{a1}$ , a = 1, 2, which is automatic if  $\mathcal{M}$  is compact, from Eq. 3.5 we have

$$\sqrt{n_a} tan(J(\bar{X}_{a,J}) - J(\mu_{a,J})) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}_m(0, \Sigma_{a,J}), a = 1, 2,$$
(3.10)

where  $\Sigma_{a,J}$  is the extrinsic covariance matrix of  $Q_a$ , and tan(v) is the tangential component in  $T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{M})$  of a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$  with respect to the decomposition  $\mathbb{R}^N = T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{M}) \oplus (T_{\mu_{a,J}}J(\mathcal{M}))^{\perp}$ .

**Definition 3.2** An action of a Lie group  $\mathcal{G}$  on a manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , is a differentiable function  $\alpha : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$ , such that

$$\alpha(1_{\mathcal{G}}, x) = x, \forall x \in \mathcal{M},$$
  

$$\alpha(g, \alpha(h, x)) = \alpha(g \odot h, x), \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall h \in \mathcal{G}, \forall x \in \mathcal{M}.$$
(3.11)

 $\mathcal{M}$  has a simply transitive Lie group of isometries  $\mathcal{G}$ , if there is a Lie group action  $\alpha : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$  by isometries with the property that given  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ , for any object  $y \in \mathcal{M}$ , there is a unique  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  such that  $\alpha(g, x) = y$ .

A two sample hypothesis testing problem for extrinsic means on the embedded manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  that admits a simply transitive Lie group of isometries  $\mathcal{G}$ , can be formulated as follows:

$$H_0: \mu_{2,J} = \alpha(\delta, \mu_{1,J})$$
  
versus  
$$H_1: \mu_{2,J} \neq \alpha(\delta, \mu_{1,J}).$$
 (3.12)

Given a fixed object  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ , the mapping  $\alpha^x : \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{M}, \alpha^x(g) = \alpha(g, x)$  is bijective, therefore the hypothesis problem (Eq. 3.12) is equivalent to the following hypothesis testing problem for a given element  $\delta$  on the Lie group  $\mathcal{G}$ :

(1) 
$$H_0: (\alpha^{\mu_{1,J}})^{-1}(\mu_{2,J}) = \delta,$$
  
versus  
 $H_1: (\alpha^{\mu_{1,J}})^{-1}(\mu_{2,J}) \neq \delta$  (3.13)

Let  $H: \mathcal{M}^2 \to \mathcal{G}$ , defined by

$$H(x_1, x_2) = (\alpha^{x_1})^{-1}(x_2).$$
(3.14)

**Theorem 3.1** Assume  $X_{a,j_a}$ ,  $j_a = 1, ..., n_a$  are identically independent distributed random objects (i.i.d.r.o.'s) from the independent probability measures  $Q_a$ , a = 1, 2 with finite extrinsic moments of order  $s, s \le 4$  on the m dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  on which the Lie group  $\mathcal{G}$  acts simply transitively. Let  $n = n_1 + n_2$  and assume  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n_1}{n} \to \pi \in$ (0, 1). Let  $\varphi : \mathfrak{g} \to \mathcal{G}$  and  $L_\delta$  be respectively, a chart with  $\varphi(1_{\mathcal{G}}) = 0_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , and the left translation by  $\delta \in \mathcal{G}$ . Then under  $H_0$ ,

(i.) *The sequence of random vectors* 

$$\sqrt{n}(\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{X}_{n_{1},J}, \bar{X}_{n_{2},J})))$$
(3.15)

converges weakly to  $\mathcal{N}_m(0_m, \Sigma_J)$ , for some covariance matrix  $\Sigma_J$  that depends linearly on the extrinsic covariance matrices  $\Sigma_{a,J}$  of  $Q_a$ , a = 1, 2.

(ii.) If (i.) holds and  $\Sigma_J$  is positive definite, then the sequence

$$n(\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{X}_{n_{1},J},\bar{X}_{n_{2},J})))^{T} \Sigma_{J}^{-1}(\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{X}_{n_{1},J},\bar{X}_{n_{2},J})))$$
(3.16)

converges weakly to  $\chi_m^2$  distribution.

The following result is a direct consequence of Cramer's delta method, applied to functions between embedded manifolds.

**Lemma 3.1** Assume  $F : \mathcal{M}_1 \to \mathcal{M}_2$  is a differentiable function between manifolds. For a = 1, 2, assume dim  $\mathcal{M}_a = m_a$ , and  $J_a : \mathcal{M}_a \to \mathbb{R}^{N_a}$  is an embedding. Let  $X_n$  be a sequence of r.o.'s on  $\mathcal{M}_1$  such that

$$\sqrt{n}tan_{J_1(\nu)}(J_1(X_n) - J_1(\nu)) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}_{m_1}(0, \Sigma),$$
(3.17)

then

$$\sqrt{n}tan_{J_2(F(\nu))}(J_2(F(X_n)) - J_2(F(\nu))) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}_{m_2}(0, d_\nu F\Sigma(d_\nu F)^T),$$
(3.18)

where  $d_{\nu}F: T_{\nu}\mathcal{M}_1 \to T_{F(\nu)}\mathcal{M}_2$  is the differential of F at  $\mu$ .

Proof of Theorem 3.1 By the inverse function theorem, the mapping  $H: \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{G}$  is continuous. Given that, according to Bhattacharya and Patrangenaru (2003), for a = 1, 2, the extrinsic sample mean  $\bar{X}_{n_a,J}$  is a consistent estimator of  $\mu_{a,J}$ , for a = 1, 2, by the continuity theorem (Billingsley 1995, p. 334) a consistent estimator for  $(\alpha^{\mu_{1,J}})^{-1}(\mu_{2,J})$  is  $H(\bar{X}_{n_1,J}, \bar{X}_{n_2,J})$ . From Bhattacharya and Patrangenaru (2005), for a = 1, 2,

$$\sqrt{n_a} tan_{\mu_{a,J}}(J(\bar{X}_{n_a,J}) - J(\mu_{a,J})) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} N_m(0_m, \Sigma_{a,J}),$$
(3.19)

and, since  $\frac{n_a}{n} \to \pi$ , it follows that

$$\sqrt{n}tan_{(\mu_{1,J},\mu_{2,J})}(J^{2}((\bar{X}_{n_{1},J},\bar{X}_{n_{2},J})) - J^{2}((\mu_{1,J},\mu_{2,J}))) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} N_{2m}(0_{2m},\Sigma), \quad (3.20)$$

where

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\pi} \Sigma_{1,J} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{1 - \pi} \Sigma_{2,J} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (3.21)

We apply Lemma 3.1 to the function  $F : \mathcal{M}^2 \to \mathcal{G}$ , given by  $F = L_{\delta^{-1}} \circ H$ , and select a convenient chart  $\varphi$ , and obtain Eq. 3.15. Theorem 3.1(ii.) is an immediate consequence of part (i.) plus a weak continuity argument (Billingsley 1995, p. 334)

**Corollary 3.2** For a = 1, 2, assume  $x_{a,j_a}$ ,  $j_a = 1, ..., n_a$ , are random samples from a *J*-nonfocal distribution Q on the *m* dimensional embedded manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  on which the Lie group  $\mathcal{G}$  acts simply transitively.

Let  $n = n_1 + n_2$ , and assume  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n_1}{n} \to \pi \in (0, 1)$ . Assume  $\Sigma_J$  is positive definite and  $\hat{\Sigma}_J$  is a consistent estimator for  $\Sigma_J$ . The asymptotic *p*-value for the hypothesis testing problem in Eq. 3.12 is given by  $p = P(T \ge t_{\delta}^2)$  where

$$t_{\delta}^{2} = n((\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{x}_{n_{1},J}, \bar{x}_{n_{2},J})))^{T}(\hat{\Sigma}_{J})^{-1}(\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{x}_{n_{1},J}, \bar{x}_{n_{2},J}))),$$
(3.22)

and T has a  $\chi^2_m$  distribution.

If the distributions are unknown and the samples are small, an alternative approach is to use Efron's nonparametric bootstrap (Efron 1982). If  $\max(n_1, n_2) \leq \frac{m}{2}$ , the sample mean  $\hat{\Sigma}_J$  in Corollary 3.2 does not have an inverse, and pivotal nonparametric bootstrap methodology can not be applied. In this case one may use a nonpivotal bootstrap methodology for the two sample problem  $H_0$  (see Bhattacharya and Ghosh 1978, Hall and Hart 1990, Fisher et al. 1996 or Hall 1997).

**Theorem 3.2** Under the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1*i*, assume in addition, that for a = 1, 2 the support of the distribution of  $X_{a,1}$  and the extrinsic mean  $\mu_{a,J}$  are included in the domain of the chart  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi(X_{a,1})$  has an absolutely continuous component and finite moments of sufficiently high order. Then the joint distribution of

$$V = \sqrt{n}(\varphi \circ L_{\delta}^{-1}(H(\bar{X}_{n_1,J}, \bar{X}_{n_2,J})))$$

can be approximated by the bootstrap joint distribution of

$$V^* = \sqrt{n}(\varphi \circ L^{-1}_{\delta}(H(\bar{X}^*_{n_1,J}, \bar{X}^*_{n_2,J}))$$
(3.23)

with an error  $O_p(n^{-\frac{1}{2}})$ , where, for a = 1, 2,  $\bar{X}^*_{n_a,J}$  are the extrinsic means of the bootstrap resamples  $X^*_{a,j_a}$ ,  $j_a = 1, \ldots, n_a$ , given  $X_{a,j_a}$ ,  $j_a = 1, \ldots, n_a$ .

*Remark 3.1* Beran and Fisher (1998) were the first to use group actions in hypothesis testing problems, a technique later used in Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005). The drawback in Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005) was that their analysis led to an increase in dimensionality, forcing the extrinsic covariance matrices to be degenerated. In this paper we consider in particular the case when  $\mathcal{M}$  itself has a Lie group structure  $\odot$ , and the group action is left translations:  $\alpha : \mathcal{M}^2 \to \mathcal{M}, \alpha(g, x) = g \odot x$ . Given two objects x, y the *change from* x to y is  $c = x^{-1} \odot y$ . Given two random objects X, Y, from Theorem 3.1 we may estimate the change from the extrinsic mean of X to the extrinsic mean of Y. Note that this is the mean change defined in Crane and Patrangenaru (2011) only if X, Y are matched pairs and on a commutative group  $(\mathcal{G}, \odot)$ .

*Remark 3.2* The methodology of simply transitive groups on manifolds can be also adapted to hypothesis testing for two intrinsic means on manifolds, as shown in Osborne et al. (2013)

#### 4 Two Sample Test for VW means of 3D Projective Shapes

In this section we apply the results in Section 3 along with previous results in projective shape analysis, to two sample tests on the projective shape space  $P\Sigma_3^k$ .

## 4.1 A Lie Group Structure on the Manifold of 3D Projective Shapes of Configurations Containing a Projective Frame

Note that, as shown by Crane and Patrangenaru (2011), unlike in other dimensions, the projective shape manifold  $P\Sigma_3^k$ ,  $k \ge 5$ , has a Lie group structure, derived from the quaternion multiplication. Recall that if a real number x is identified with  $(0, 0, 0, x) \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , and if we label the quadruples (1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), respectively (0, 0, 1, 0) by  $\vec{i}$ ,  $\vec{j}$ , respectively  $\vec{k}$ , then the multiplication table given by

$\odot$	$\overrightarrow{i}$	$\overrightarrow{j}$	$\overrightarrow{k}$
$\overrightarrow{i}$	-1	$\overrightarrow{k}$	$-\overrightarrow{j}$
$\overrightarrow{j}$	$-\overrightarrow{k}$	-1	$\overrightarrow{i}$
$\overrightarrow{k}$	$\overrightarrow{j}$	$-\overrightarrow{i}$	-1

where  $a \odot b$  product of a on the first column with b on the top row, is listed on the row of a and column of b, extends by linearity to a multiplication  $\odot$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Note that  $(\mathbb{R}^4, +, \odot)$  has a structure of a noncommutative field, the field of *quaternions*, usually labeled by  $\mathbb{H}$ . Note that if  $h, h' \in \mathbb{H}$ , then  $||h \odot h'|| = ||h|| ||h'||$ , and the three dimensional sphere inherits a group structure, the group of quaternions of norm one.

Moreover, since  $\mathbb{R}P^3$  is the quotient  $S^3/x \sim -x$ 

$$[x] \odot [y] =: [x \odot y], \tag{4.1}$$

is a well defined *Lie group* operator on  $\mathbb{R}P^3$ , called the group of *p*-quaternions. Note that if  $h = t + x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ , its *conjugate* is  $\bar{h} = t - x\vec{i} - y\vec{j} - z\vec{k}$ , and the inverse of *h* is given by

$$h^{-1} = \|h\|^{-2}\bar{h},\tag{4.2}$$

As shown in Section 2, as manifold,  $P\Sigma_3^k$  is diffeomorphic with  $(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ , where q = k - 5. With this identification,  $P\Sigma_3^k \sim (\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$  inherits a Lie group structure from the group structure p-quaternions  $\mathbb{R}P^3$  with the multiplication given by

$$([h_1], \dots, [h_q]) \odot ([h'_1], \dots, [h'_q]) := ([h_1] \odot [h'_1], \dots, [h_q] \odot [h'_q]) = ([h_1 \odot h'_1], \dots, [h_q \odot h'_a]).$$
(4.3)

The identity element is given by  $1_{(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q} = ([0:0:0:1], \dots, [0:0:0:1])$ , and given a point  $\mathbf{h} = ([h_1], \dots, [h_q]) \in (\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ , from Eq. 4.2, its inverse is  $\mathbf{h}^{-1} = \overline{\mathbf{h}} = ([\overline{h}_1], \dots, [\overline{h}_q])$ .

#### 4.2 Nonparametric Bootstrap Tests for VW mean 3D Projective Shape Change

A random projective shape Y of a k-ad in general position including a projective frame in  $\mathbb{R}P^m$  has a multivariate axial representation

$$(Y^1, \dots, Y^q), Y^s = [X^s], (X^s)^T X^s = 1, \forall s = 1, \dots, q = k - m - 2.$$
 (4.4)

*Y* is VW-nonfocal if  $\forall s = 1, ..., q$ , the largest eigenvalue of  $E(X^s(X^s)^T)$  is simple, and, in this case the VW (extrinsic) mean projective shape  $\mu_{j_k}$  of  $(Y^1, ..., Y^q)$  is given by

$$\mu_{j_k} = ([\gamma_1(m+1)], \dots, [\gamma_q(m+1)]), \tag{4.5}$$

where  $\lambda_s(a)$  and  $\gamma_s(a), a = 1, ..., m + 1$  are the eigenvalues in increasing order and the corresponding unit eigenvectors of  $E(X^s(X^s)^T)$ .

If  $Y_r$ , r = 1, ..., n are i.i.d.'s from a VW-nonfocal probability distribution on  $(\mathbb{R}P^m)^q$ , given in their multi-axial representation (Eq. 4.4):

$$Y_r = ([X_r^1], \dots, [X_r^q]), (X_r^s)^T X_r^s = 1; s = 1, \dots, q,$$
(4.6)

their sample VW-mean can be obtained as follows (see Patrangenaru et al. 2010). Let  $J_s$  be the r.o. given by

$$J_s = n^{-1} \Sigma_{r=1}^n X_r^s (X_r^s)^T , \quad s = 1, \dots, q,$$
(4.7)

where  $d_s(a)$  and  $g_s(a)$  are the eigenvalues in increasing order and corresponding unit eigenvectors of  $J_s$ , a = 1, ..., m + 1, then the sample mean VW projective shape, in the multi-axial representation (Eq. 4.4), is given by

$$\overline{Y}_{j_k,n} = ([g_1(m+1)], \dots, [g_q(m+1)]).$$
(4.8)

Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005) showed that if  $Y_1, \ldots, Y_n$  are i.i.d.r.o.'s from a VW-nonfocal probability measure on  $(\mathbb{R}P^m)^q$  and  $\mu_{j_k}$  in Eq. 4.5 is the extrinsic mean of  $Y_1$ , then the entries of the extrinsic sample covariance matrix  $G_n = S_{j_k,n}$  defined in Eq. 4.9, with the pairs of indices  $(s, a), s = 1, \ldots, q; a = 1, \ldots, m$ , in their lexicographic order, with respect to a convenient orthonormal basis, are given by

$$G_{n(s,a),(t,b)} = n^{-1} (d_s(m+1) - d_s(a))^{-1} (d_t(m+1) - d_t(b))^{-1} \cdot \sum_{r=1}^n (g_s(a)^T X_r^s) (g_t(b)^T X_r^t) (g_s(m+1)^T X_r^s) (g_t(m+1)^T X_r^t).$$
(4.9)

Moreover, the asymptotic distribution of  $\overline{Y}_{j_k,n}$  can be obtained as follows. We consider the matrices  $D_s$  given by

$$D_s = (g_s(1) \dots g_s(m)) \in M(m+1, m; \mathbb{R}), s = 1, \dots, q.$$
(4.10)

If  $\mu = ([\gamma_1], \dots, [\gamma_q])$ , where  $\gamma_s \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}, \gamma_s^T \gamma_s = 1$ , for  $s = 1, \dots, q$ , we define the statistic *T*:

$$T(\overline{Y}_{j_k,n};\mu) = n(\gamma_1^T D_1, \dots, \gamma_q^T D_q) G_n^{-1}(\gamma_1^T D_1, \dots, \gamma_q^T D_q)^T.$$
(4.11)

If  $Y_1$  is a  $j_k$ -nonfocal population on  $(\mathbb{R}P^m)^q$ , and has a nonzero absolutely continuous component, and with  $\Sigma_{j_k} > 0$ , then the bootstrap distribution of the square norm of the vector valued statistic in Eq. 3.7 is given in our case by

$$T(\overline{Y}_{j_k}^*; \overline{Y}_{j_k}) = n(g_1(m+1)^T D_1^*, \dots, g_q(m+1)^T D_q^*) G_n^{*-1} \times (g_1(m+1)^T D_1^*, \dots, g_q(m+1)^T D_q^*)^T.$$
(4.12)

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and from Section 3, this statistic is useful in estimation and testing for mean VWprojective shapes. For example for the one sample hypothesis testing problem for mean projective shapes:

$$H_0: \mu_{j_k} = \mu_0 \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu_{j_k} \neq \mu_0. \tag{4.13}$$

if  $\Sigma_{j_k,n}$  is singular and all the marginal axial distributions have positive definite extrinsic covariance matrices, one may use simultaneous confidence ellipsoids to estimate  $\mu_{j_k}$ . Assume  $(Y_r)_{r=1,...,n}$  are i.i.d.r.o.'s from a  $j_k$ -nonfocal probability distribution on  $(\mathbb{R}P^m)^q$ . For each s = 1, ..., q let  $\Sigma_s$  be the extrinsic covariance matrix of  $Y_1^s$ , and let  $\overline{Y}_{j,n}^s$  and  $G_{s,n}$  be the extrinsic sample mean and the extrinsic sample covariance matrix of the *s*-th marginal axial and the probability measure of  $Y_1^s$  has a nonzero absolutely continuous component w.r.t. the volume measure on  $\mathbb{R}P^m$ . For s = 1, ..., q and for  $[\gamma_s] \in \mathbb{R}P^m, \gamma_s^T \gamma_s = 1$ , we consider the statistics:

$$T_s = T_s(\overline{Y}_{j,n}^s, [\gamma_s]) = n\gamma_s^T D_s G_{s,n}^{-1} D_s^T \gamma_s$$
(4.14)

and the corresponding bootstrap distributions

$$T_s^* = T_s(\overline{Y}_j^{s*}, \overline{Y}_{j,n}^s) = ng_s(m+1)^T D_s^* G_{s,n}^{*-1} D_s^{*T} g_s(m+1).$$
(4.15)

Patrangenaru et al. (2010) showed that  $T_s$  has asymptotically a  $\chi_m^2$  distribution, we obtain the following

**Corollary 4.1** For s = 1, ..., q let  $c_{s,1-\beta}^*$  be the upper  $100(1 - \beta)$  % point of the values of  $T_s^*$  given by Eq. 4.15. We set

$$C^*_{s,n,\beta} := j^{-1}(U^*_{s,n,\beta}) \tag{4.16}$$

where

$$U_{s,n,\beta}^* = \{\mu_s \in \mathbb{R}P^m : T_s(\overline{y}_{j,n}^s; \mu_s) \le c_{s,1-\beta}^*\}.$$
(4.17)

Then

$$R_{n,\alpha}^* = \prod_{s=1}^q C_{s,n,\frac{\alpha}{q}}^*$$
(4.18)

with  $C^*_{s,n,\beta}$ ,  $U^*_{s,n,\beta}$  given by Eqs. 4.20–4.21 is a region of approximately at least 100(1 –  $\alpha$ ) % confidence for  $\mu_{ik}$ . The coverage error is of order  $O_p(n^{-2})$ .

Note that the confidence region in Eq. 4.18 is a product of confidence regions for the VW-means of the marginal axial distributions obtained using a Bonferroni inequality (see Patrangenaru et al. 2010). We apply the Corollaries 4.1, 4.13 to the three dimensional case. The element ( $[0:0:0:1], \ldots, [0:0:0:1]$ ) in  $(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ , is the unit in our group and is labeled  $\mathbf{1}_q$ . Given two paired r.o.'s,  $\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2$  in their spherical representation on  $(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ , we set  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}_1\mathbf{H}_2$ , and let  $\mu_{j_k}$  be the extrinsic mean of  $\mathbf{Y}$ . Then testing the existence of mean 3D projective shape change from  $\mathbf{H}_1$  to  $\mathbf{H}_2$ amounts to the hypothesis testing problem

$$H_0: \mu_{j_k} = \mathbf{1}_{\mathbf{q}} \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu_{j_k} \neq \mathbf{1}_{\mathbf{q}}. \tag{4.19}$$

Assume  $(\mathbf{H}_{1,\mathbf{r}}, \mathbf{H}_{2,\mathbf{r}})_{\mathbf{r}=1,...,\mathbf{n}}$  are i.i.d.r.o.'s from paired distributions on  $(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ , such that  $\mathbf{Y}_1 = \mathbf{H}_{1,1}\mathbf{H}_{2,1}$  has a  $j_k$ -nonfocal probability distribution on  $(\mathbb{R}P^3)^q$ . Testing

the hypothesis (Eq. 4.19) in the case m = 3, at level  $\alpha$ , amounts to finding a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence region for  $\mu_{j_k}$  given by Corollary 4.1, and, if the sample is small and the extrinsic sample covariance matrix is degenerate, checking if  $\mathbf{1}_q$  is in a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence region, amounts to finding the upper  $\frac{\alpha}{q}$  cutoffs for the bootstrap distributions of the test statistics  $T_s^*$ ,  $s = 1, \ldots, k - 5$ , and checking if the values of  $T_s$ , for  $\mu_{j_k} = \mathbf{1}_q$  are all in the corresponding confidence intervals. That is

*Remark 4.1* For m = 3, s = 1, ..., q = k - 5 let  $c_{s,1-\beta}^*$  be the upper  $100(1 - \beta)$  % point of the values of  $T_s^*$  given by Eq. 4.15. We set

$$C^*_{s,n,\beta} := j^{-1}(U^*_{s,n,\beta}) \tag{4.20}$$

where

$$U_{s,n,\beta}^{*} = \{\mu_{s} \in \mathbb{R}P^{3} : T_{s}(\overline{Y}_{j,n}^{s};\mu_{s}) \le c_{s,1-\beta}^{*}\}.$$
(4.21)

Then

$$R_{n,\alpha}^* = \prod_{s=1}^q C_{s,n,\frac{\alpha}{q}}^*,$$
(4.22)

with  $C^*_{s,n,\beta}$ ,  $U^*_{s,n,\beta}$  given by Eqs. 4.20–4.21, is a region of approximately at least  $100(1 - \alpha)$  % confidence for  $\mu_{j_k}$ . Then we fail to reject at level  $\alpha$  the hypothesis that there is a nontrivial mean change in the 3D projective shapes  $\mathbf{H_1}$ ,  $\mathbf{H_2}$  if  $\mathbf{1_q} \in \mathbf{R}^*_{\mathbf{n},\alpha}$ .

#### 4.3 Two Sample Tests for VW Mean 3D Projective Shapes from Stereo Images

We consider now the case of two sample tests for VW mean projective shapes based on independent samples, using the general tests developed in Section 3. Here  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{G} = (\mathbb{R}P)^q$ ,  $\delta = \mathbf{1}_q$ , q = k - 5, and

$$\varphi([x_1], \dots, [x_q]) = (\varphi_{m+1}([x_1]), \dots, \varphi_{m+1}([x_q])).$$
(4.23)

In our examples we considered the group action  $\alpha : (\mathbb{R}P)^q \times (\mathbb{R}P)^q \to (\mathbb{R}P)^q$  given by the multiplication (Eq. 4.3):

$$\alpha(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{h} \odot \mathbf{k}. \tag{4.24}$$

Therefore the hypothesis testing  $H_0: \mu_{1,j_k} = \mu_{2,j_k}$  on the Lie group  $((\mathbb{R}P)^q, \odot)$  is equivalent to the testing problem

$$H_0: \mu_{1,j_k}^{-1} \odot \mu_{2,j_k} = 1_q.$$
(4.25)

From Theorem 3.2, if the sample sizes  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$  are small, it suffices to compute the bootstrap distribution of

$$D^* = \varphi(H(\bar{X}^*_{n_1, j_k}, \bar{X}^*_{n_2, j_k})), \tag{4.26}$$

where  $H(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{h} \odot \mathbf{k}$  and  $\varphi$  is given by Eq. 4.23.

*Remark 4.2* Given that  $\varphi(1_q) = \mathbf{0} \in (\mathbb{R}^m)^q$ , testing the hypothesis (Eq. 4.25) at level  $\alpha$  is equivalent to testing if **0** is inside a  $100(1 - \alpha)$  % bootstrap confidence region for  $\varphi(\mu)$ . Since the group multiplication in  $((\mathbb{R}P)^q, \odot)$  is a product of projective quaternion multiplications (Eq. 4.1), one may use simultaneous bootstrap confidence

intervals, based on the q affine marginal bootstrap distributions  $(D_1^*, \ldots, D_q^*) = D^*$ in Eq. 4.26. From Bonferroni inequalities, for each  $j = j = 1, \ldots, q$ , we obtain a  $100(1 - \frac{\alpha}{q})$  % confidence region  $C_j^*$ , that can be visualized as a 3D box, product of three  $100(1 - \frac{\alpha}{3q})$  % simultaneous confidence intervals.

This is the methodology used in our paper for the last application to image analysis.

#### 5 Applications to 3D Scene Data Analysis

#### 5.1 Analysis of Image Data of Two Polyhedra

We first consider an application for matched pairs of 3D projective shapes from digital images. The theory for such a two sample test ( test for mean projective shape change ) is developed in Crane and Patrangenaru (2011), where it was applied to stereo medical imaging. Here we consider a toy example consisting in two random samples of polyhedral objects. The first sample, was considered in Patrangenaru et al. (2010), and consists in 16 digital images of a polyhedral surface taken by a uncalibrated digital camera (see Fig. 2).

A second data set of 16 digital images of a related polyhedral scene, that was obtained by a slight modification of the first polyhedral object, is displayed in Fig. 3.

Using the Hartley et al. (1992) algorithm, we obtained the 3D reconstructions from the uncalibrated camera images of the polyhedral surface (Fig. 4). There are 19 landmarks (visible corners), carrying labels as in Patrangenaru et al. (2010), 5 of which form a projective frame. Therefore, in this example the projective shape data is on  $P\Sigma_3^{19} = (\mathbb{R}P^3)^{14}$ . Using Crane and Patrangenaru (2011), from the bootstrap distribution of Veronese–Whitney sample means, we compute the 14 marginal  $T^*$ statistics on the Lie group  $\mathbb{R}P^3$ .

For s = 1, ..., 14, the values of the statistics  $T_s$  under the null hypothesis are all larger than the corresponding  $T_s^*$  for the 95 % simultaneous confidence sets (showed in Fig. 5 as cutoffs) are:  $T_1 = 1735771.3$ ,  $T_2 = 2234801.4$ ,  $T_3 = 24260037.4$ ,  $T_4 = 949014.2$ ,  $T_5 = 942757.9$ ,  $T_6 = 148967185.2$ ,  $T_7 = 15847127.4$ ,  $T_8 = 3342761.1$ ,  $T_9 = 148967185.2$ 



Fig. 2 3D polyhedral surface. Corners are used as landmarks



Fig. 3 Top box slightly larger than in Fig. 2



Fig. 4 3D Reconstructions of configurations of corners in Fig. 3



**Fig. 5** Cutoffs of the  $T^*$  marginal bootstrap statistics



Fig. 6 BBC actor data



Fig. 7 Simultaneous confidence regions for the mean of the five axial marginals (affine coordinates)

 Table 1
 Simultaneous confidence affine intervals for mean projective shape change—BBC actor data

Bootstrap sim	ultaneous confide	ence intervals for t	facial landmarks 6	to 10	
Coordinate	6	7	8	9	10
x	(-1.26, 1.37)	(-1.28, 1.33)	(-1.56, 1.70)	(-1.29, 1.22)	(-1.43, 1.36)
у	(-1.30, 1.28)	(-1.27, 1.27)	(-1.71, 2.18)	(-1.41, 1.36)	(-1.35, 1.28)
Z	(-1.34, 1.18)	(-1.31, 1.20)	(-1.62, 1.86)	(-1.19, 1.27)	(-1.48, 1.23)



Fig. 8 Epicurus bust images

8042772.6,  $T_{10} = 15528559.7$ ,  $T_{11} = 3800842.3$ ,  $T_{12} = 35097853.3$ ,  $T_{13} = 24107515.0$ ,  $T_{14} = 7085996.9$ .

On the other hand, the corresponding values of the bootstrap cutoffs  $T_s^*$ , s = 1, ..., 14 are:  $T_1^* = 23.9831$ ,  $T_2^* = 38.9948$ ,  $T_3^* = 441.3134$ ,  $T_4^* = 44.4325$ ,  $T_5^* = 25.1901$ ,  $T_6^* = 305.9000$ ,  $T_7^* = 74.7575$ ,  $T_8^* = 24.2130$ ,  $T_9^* = 35.1296$ ,  $T_{10}^* = 204.4511$ ,  $T_{11}^* = 42.3008$ ,  $T_{12}^* = 40.7353$ ,  $T_{13}^* = 113.6289$ ,  $T_{14}^* = 26.3761$ . The equality of the two population mean projective shapes is rejected at level  $\alpha = 0.05$ . We infer that the two polyhedral objects are not the same.

#### 5.2 Example 2—Two Sample Test for Means of Independent Pairs

Our data consists in 14 digital camera images of an artist in different disguises (BBC data). The face images data set was used in the context of 2D projective shape in Mardia and Patrangenaru (2005); the need for a 3D projective shape analysis of this data was mentioned in Patrangenaru et al. (2010), where the authors gave a graphic argument for the equality of the mean 3D projective shapes of a group of facial landmarks, from the frontal images, respectively from the one quarter images. We used 8 frontal images, and 6 one quarter images, as shown in Fig. 6. The goal is to test if indeed the projective shape of a 3D configuration of landmarks on the actor's face as extracted from frontal images, is, on average, the same as its projective shape when one quarter views are used in its 3D reconstruction. Figure 10 in the Appendix



Fig. 9 Simultaneous confidence regions for the statue data

Bootstrap sim	ultaneous confidence	intervals for statue la	andmarks 2, 3, 7, 9	
Coordinate	2	3	7	9
x	(-11.52, 11.61)	(-28.65, 30.81)	(-1.96, 1.86)	(-46.36, 42.62)
у	(-11.29, 12.04)	(-32.15, 32.57)	(-1.84, 1.88)	(-47.20, 46.36)
Z	(-12.32, 12.49)	(-24.10, 26.31)	(-1.22, 1.41)	(-40.08, 37.08)

 Table 2
 Simultaneous confidence affine intervals for mean projective shape change—statue data

displays the actor image with the landmarks used in our analysis, numbered from 1 to 10. The reconstructed 3D configurations are posted at www.stat.fsu.edu/~vic/MCAP From the 3D configuration of 10 facial landmarks, we selected the landmark 1-5 to construct the projective frame and computed the nonparametric bootstrap distribution of  $H(\bar{X}_{n_1,j_k}^*, \bar{X}_{n_2,j_k}^*)$  in Eq. 3.23. The affine coordinates of the 10 - 5 = 5 projective coordinates of the bootstrap VW means for 350 bootstrap resamples are displayed in Fig. 7, and the 95 % confident intervals based on 20,000 bootstrap resamples of each coordinate are displayed in Table 1. Recall from Remark 4.2 that the null hypothesis in this case amounts to all affine coordinates of  $\mu$  being zero. Since (0, 0, 0) is inside all the 95 % simultaneous marginal confidence affine intervals, listed in Table 4, thus there is insignificant mean projective shape change of the facial landmark configurations between the frontal and one quarter views images. Therefore, we cannot reject the hypothesis that the frontal images and quarter views are from the same person. In order to demonstrate that this allows to identify people, one would need to calculate or simulate the power of the test under the alternative.

## 5.3 Example 3—Two Sample Test for Means of Half Bust

In this example the data consists in twenty four photos taken of the busts of the Greek philosopher Epicurus. These are displayed in Fig. 8. Sixteen of the images are from a one-head statue, others, in the third row are from a double-head statue, including also one of a disciple of Epicurus. Nine landmarks, displayed in Fig. 10 were selected from the right half of the face of the statues (Fig. 8). The landmark coordinates and the reconstructed 3D configurations obtained from 2D matched configurations in pairs of images are posted at www.stat.fsu.edu/~vic/MCAP. Landmarks 1, 4, 5, 6, 8 were utilized to construct the projective frame. For the confidence region, we computed 2,000,000 bootstrap VW sample means, based on landmarks 2, 3, 7, 9. For the 4 landmarks, the point (0, 0, 0) is in the 12 simultaneous confidence intervals (see Fig. 9). Therefore based on the given pictures, we fail to reject the null hypothesis that on average the projective shapes of the selected landmark configurations are the same (Table 2).

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## Appendix

Table 3 displays the registered coordinates of the 19 landmarks in each of sixteen camera images. Camera images paired, each pair was used to reconstruct the 3D polyhedral surface in the Fig. 3.

Table 3 C	orner coo:	rdinates	from p	aired ir	nages in	Fig. 3														
Landmark	no.	1	2	3	4	5	9	7	8	6	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Image 01	x v	2147 162	1737 203	1864 425	2279 380	1717 588	1839 815	2249 765	1636 603	1788 876	2279 810	1616 1023	1747 1302	2244 1241	1302 1074	1519 1580	2345 1454	1286 1697	1494 2218	
Image 02	×	2289	1879	2310	2687	1854	2264	2649	1763	2254	2730	1737	2213	2659	1428	2228	2973	1403	2142	
Imo 20 02	y ;	253	476	775	512	937	1231	983	1003	1347	1038	1023	1302	1241	1604	1580	1454 2110	1697	2218	
unage up	x y	198	395 395	633	436	912	1140 1140	937 937	962 962	1251	1107	1535	2234 1839	2000 1560	1712	2259	1778	2598	3160	
Image 04	y y	2304 304	1925 527	2360 775	2740 527	$1920 \\ 1013$	2345 1241	2715 1003	$1839 \\ 1059$	2355 1362	2786 1064	1839 1600	2325 1889	2755 1580	1535 1808	2375 234	3084 178	1540 2613	2320 3145	
Image 05	y x	2132 152	1671 294	1955 542	2421 395	1681 770	$1960 \\ 1028$	2421 866	1585 810	1925 1119	2477 927	1606 1337	$1920 \\ 1651$	2461 1459	1251 1464	1778 2041	2694 1687	1286 2279	1783 2867	
Image 06	y x	$1940\\309$	1560 522	1925 775	2304 557	1570 927	1925 1175	2294 942	1499 988	1925 1292	2355 1008	$\begin{array}{c} 1514 \\ 1418 \end{array}$	1914 1732	2340 1443	$\begin{array}{c} 1231\\ 1616\end{array}$	1894 2198	2608 1646	1266 2244	1899 2781	
Image 07	x y	2477 56	1970 208	2269 486	2781 324	1965 729	2264 1008	2765 836	1864 760	2223 1109	2826 907	1879 1337	2208 1687	2801 1479	1489 1469	2046 2107	3049 1727	1519 2335	2051 2983	
Image 08	y y	2396 512	2021 820	2467 1069	2846 760	2051 1241	2487 1489	2836 1180	1965 1307	2497 1621	2917 1236	2011 1752	2502 2061	2902 1687	1732 2006	2568 2598	3241 1904	1793 2634	2563 3191	
Image 09	y y	2436 46	1914 111	2112 375	2649 304	1869 623	2082 891	2603 826	1768 638	2011 972	2644 886	1732 1226	$\begin{array}{c} 1950\\ 1570 \end{array}$	2588 1474	$1332 \\ 1292$	$\begin{array}{c} 1687 \\ 1899 \end{array}$	2755 1722	1276 2198	1631 2836	
Image 10	y y	2340 360	1980 491	2269 699	2624 562	1970 891	2249 1109	2608 957	$1889 \\ 932$	2228 1195	$2659 \\ 1003$	1889 1373	2213 1636	2634 1449	$\begin{array}{c} 1611 \\ 1504 \end{array}$	2147 1996	2857 1646	$1611 \\ 2168$	2122 2659	
Image 11	y x	2396 248	1864 268	2006 547	2553 517	1808 780	$1950 \\ 1048$	2492 1028	1697 785	1864 1124	2517 1089	1646 1347	1808 1707	2446 1661	1231 1393	1464 2011	2568 1920	1160 2274	1388 2927	

Table 3 (c	ontinued)																			
Landmark	no.	-	5	3	4	5	9	7	~	6	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Image 12	x	2153	1773	1965	2350	1757	1940	2330	1676	1904	2370	1676	1879	2340	1383	1722	2492	1383	1712	2446
	y	263	334	562	466	729	937	856	750	1008	896	1170	1433	1327	1241	1727	1519	1894	2391	2158
Image 13	x	2325	1884	2234	2669	1864	2198	2634	1773	2183	2700	1768	2137	2639	1423	2056	2907	1418	2001	2806
	y	370	557	861	663	1003	1297	1109	1043	1423	1175	1524	1894	1636	1687	2365	1899	2391	3059	2578
Image 14	x	2259	1722	1909	2456	1712	1894	2446	1606	1828	2477	1600	1813	2456	1190	1514	2603	1185	1509	2563
	y	122	198	456	370	714	779	896	734	1059	952	1317	1656	1550	1393	1996	1793	2310	2938	2725
Image 15	x	2624	2193	2502	2943	2158	2451	2897	2071	2436	2953	2036	2380	2892	1697	2269	3130	1651	2198	3029
	y	334	456	704	572	927	1170	1038	962	1266	1099	1484	1798	1621	1606	2168	1849	2421	2998	2659
Image 16	x	2122	1788	2228	2558	1803	2249	2548	1737	2254	2629	1752	2259	2618	1499	2360	2958	1524	2345	2907
	y	506	755	942	689	1200	1398	1135	1276	1499	1190	1763	2006	1676	1980	2446	1854	2745	3196	2598

**Fig. 10** Landmarks for actor data (*left*) and for Epicurus bust (*right*)



In Fig. 10 the facial landmarks used in our image analysis are marked from 1 to 10. The registered coordinates are displayed in Table 4.

Table 4 Coordinates of facial landmarks for BBC actor data

Landmark	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\rightarrow$										
Image↓										
1	265,236	302,232	341,227	377,221	302,179	315,186	328,176	279,149	338,143	303,103
2	299,214	334,210	368,206	400,203	334,161	344,169	358,161	315,134	371,131	338,90
3	266,253	305,251	330,248	365,242	296,209	311,212	321,204	286,185	336,181	308,125
4	201,254	221,250	250,247	228,242	209,203	215,212	233,204	208,179	257,176	234,131
5	264,234	298,234	332,236	361,235	302,194	312,200	321,193	285,165	338,165	302,120
6	367,237	395,227	422,218	449,209	393,182	404,184	412,176	356,167	406,147	365,119
7	327,246	354,244	387,239	416,241	358,206	367,212	377,206	343,176	399,176	365,132
8	273,248	290,248	319,247	353,246	288,211	284,219	305,209	284,179	332,181	304,140
9	269,218	300,219	332,217	365,218	302,170	312,174	328,170	287,150	347,149	314,109
10	197,227	217,232	239,236	275,238	215,188	211,196	231,191	220,159	266,167	244,121
11	304,221	339,216	371,212	401,210	335,169	344,173	359,167	316,149	374,146	338,106
12	247,253	274,252	302,251	335,249	265,211	271,219	284,209	260,182	310,180	281,132
13	282,238	305,236	337,232	367,232	298,191	301,200	316,191	294,161	344,158	314,120
14	346,222	373,218	403,218	435,218	374,172	386,180	398,170	359,146	413,142	378,98

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