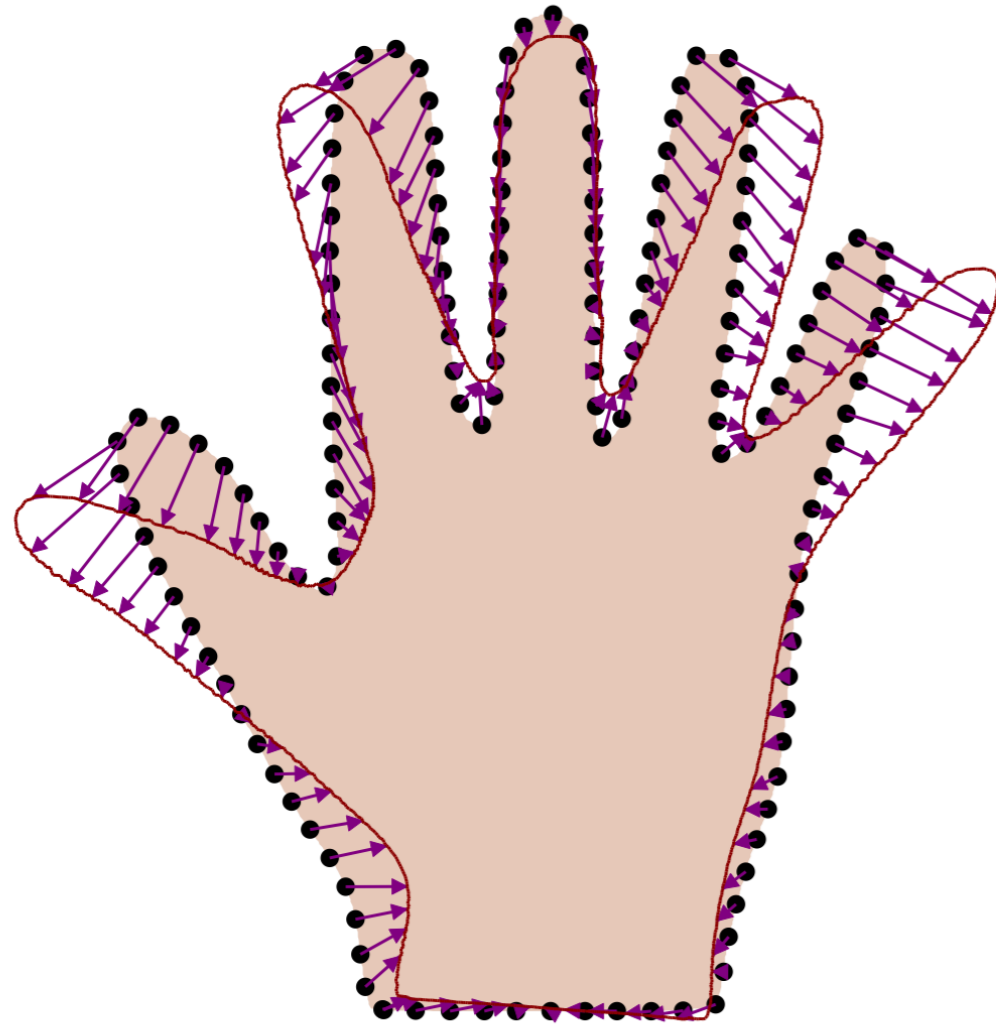


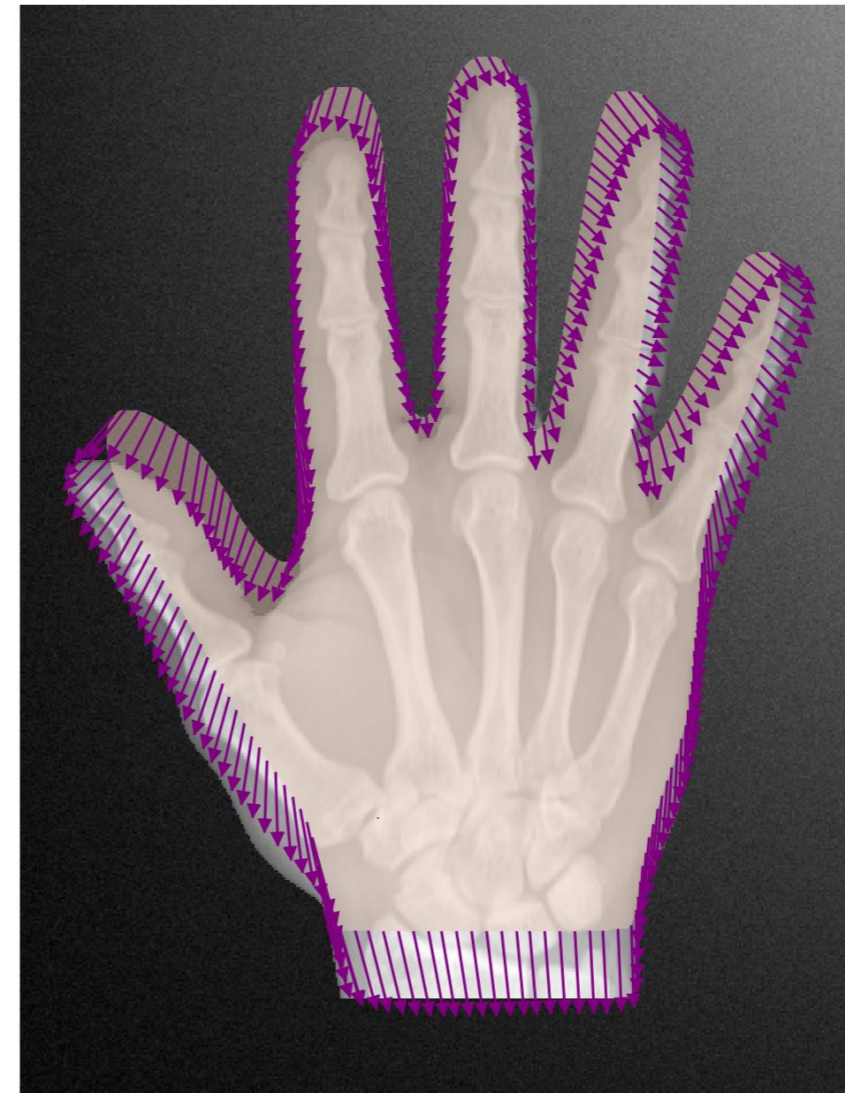
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Fitting models to images

Fitting images

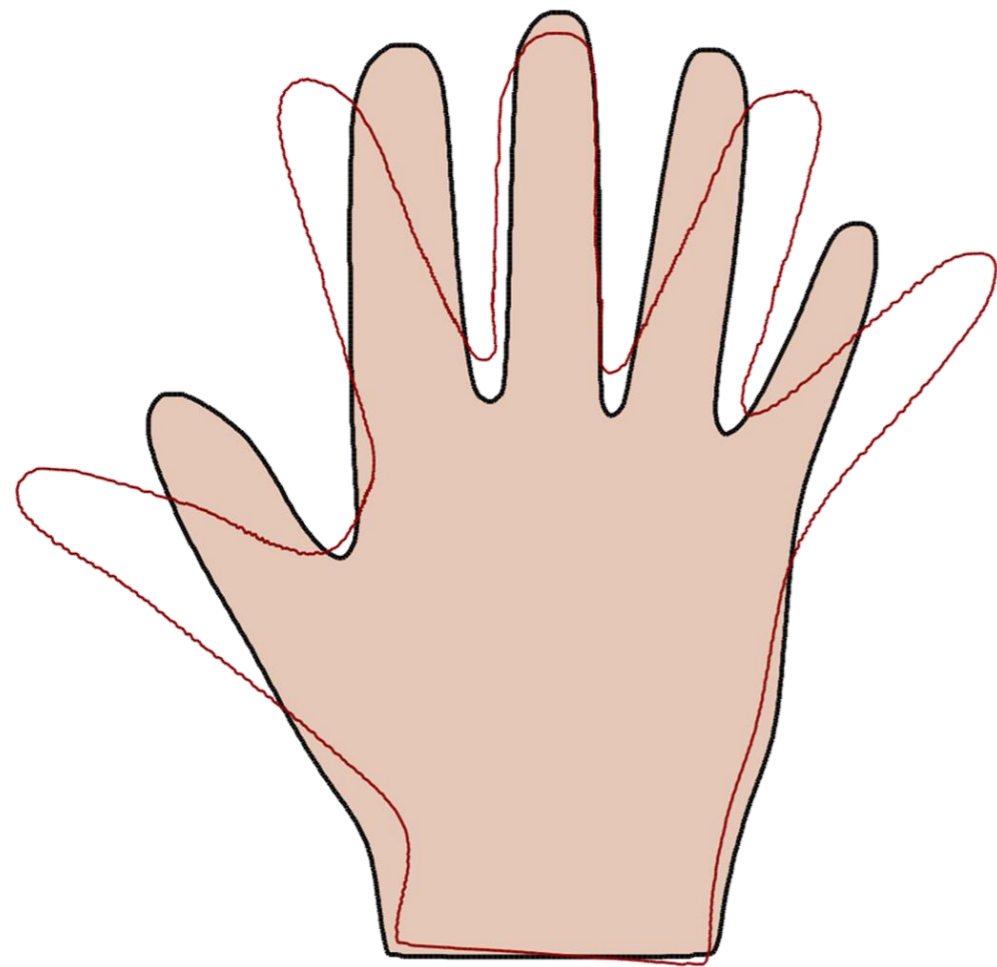


Surfaces / Contour



Images

Surface vs Image Fitting



Explicit representation of
a shape $\Gamma_T = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^2\}$



Only intensities given

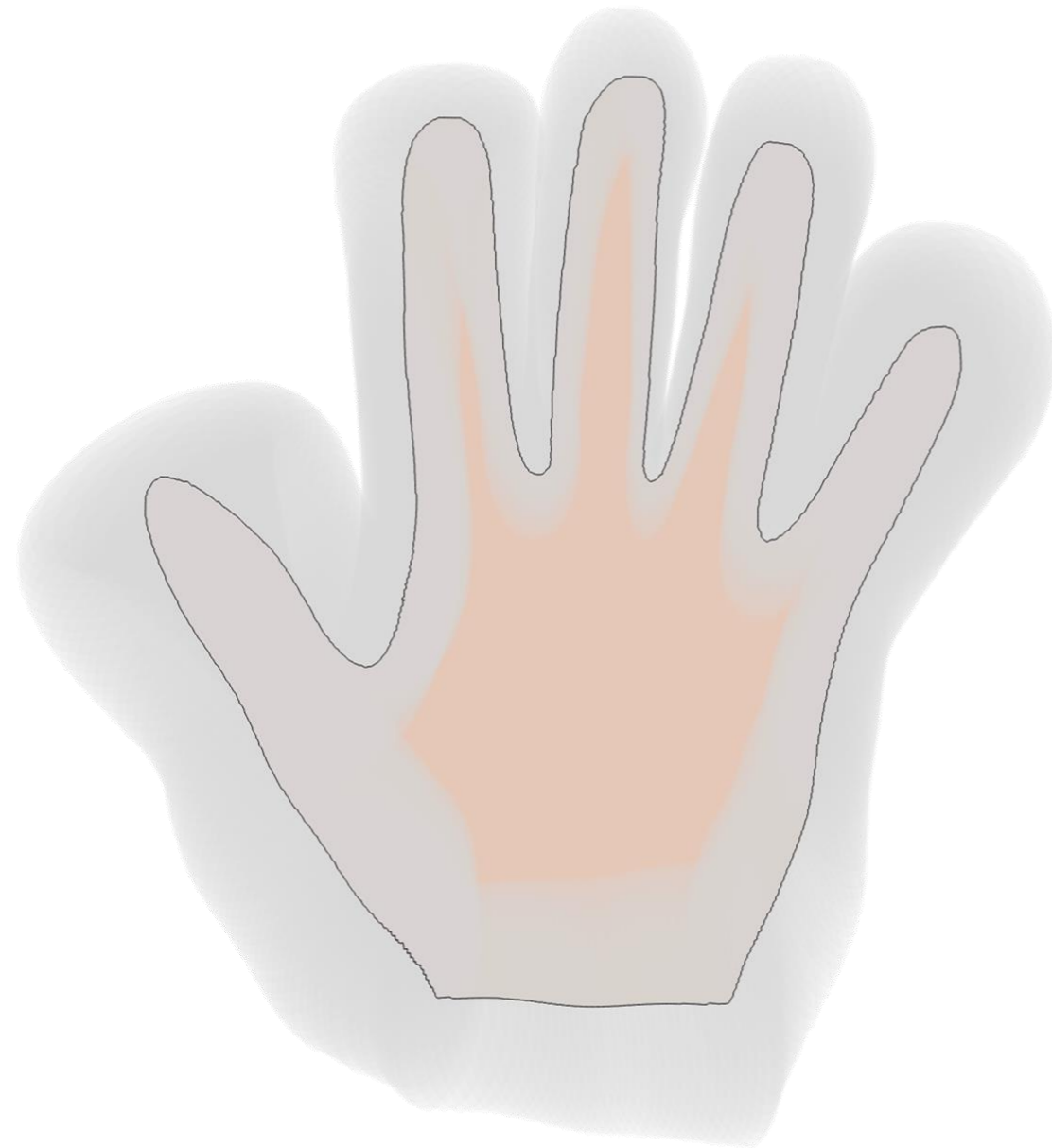
The segmentation problem



- Goal: Partition the image into semantically meaningful regions
 - Very difficult, active research problem
- A successfully fitted model defines a segmentation

Model fitting needs to deal with the segmentation and the correspondence problem.

Segmentation by model fitting



- Shape models encode **prior knowledge** about
 - which shape we want to find
 - the shape variability.

Image segmentation is the most popular application of shape models

ICP for image segmentation?

Iterative Closest Point Algorithm (ICP)

- Classical algorithm for minimizing the distance between two point sets.

Idea:

1. Find closest points between target and reference
2. Estimate transformation based on these corresponding points
3. Transform the reference points using the transformation
4. Iterate

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Active Shape Model Fitting

Active shape model Algorithm (ASM)

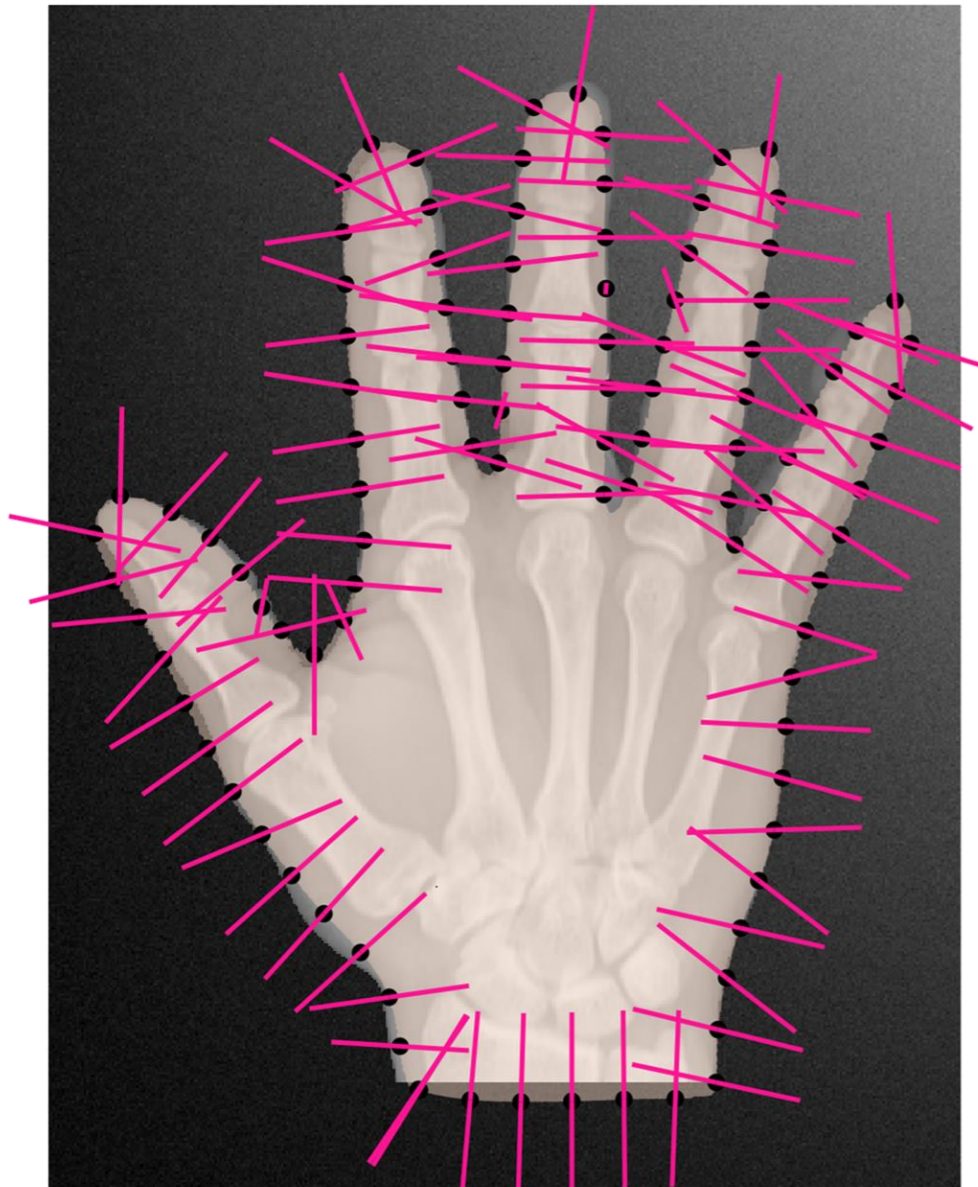
- Classical algorithm for fitting a model to an image.

Idea (sketch):

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Finding matching points



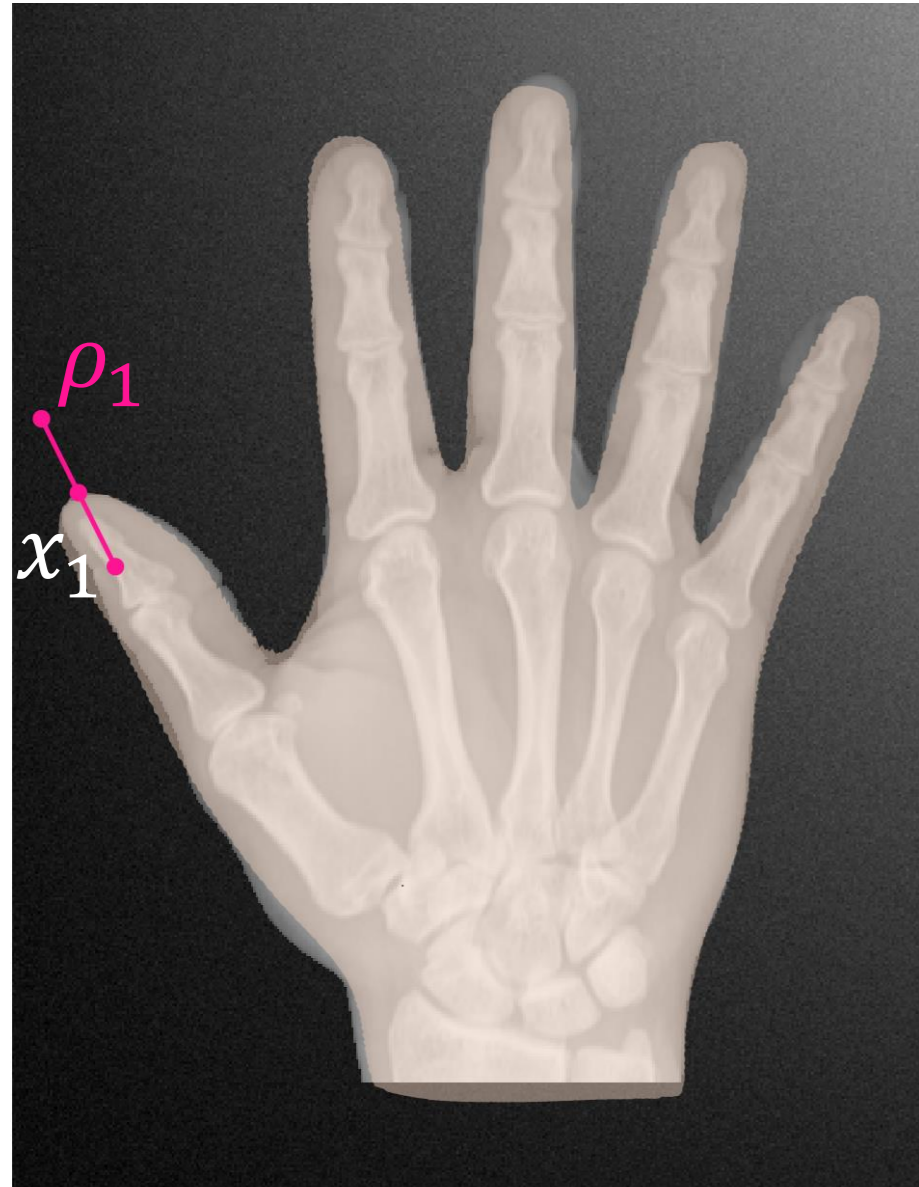
Modelling step:

- Define for each point of the reference an intensity model of a neighbourhood around the point.
 - Neighbourhood usually defined in normal direction.

Search step:

- Choose most probable point in the image as corresponding point.

Modelling step



- We model each profile as a normal distribution

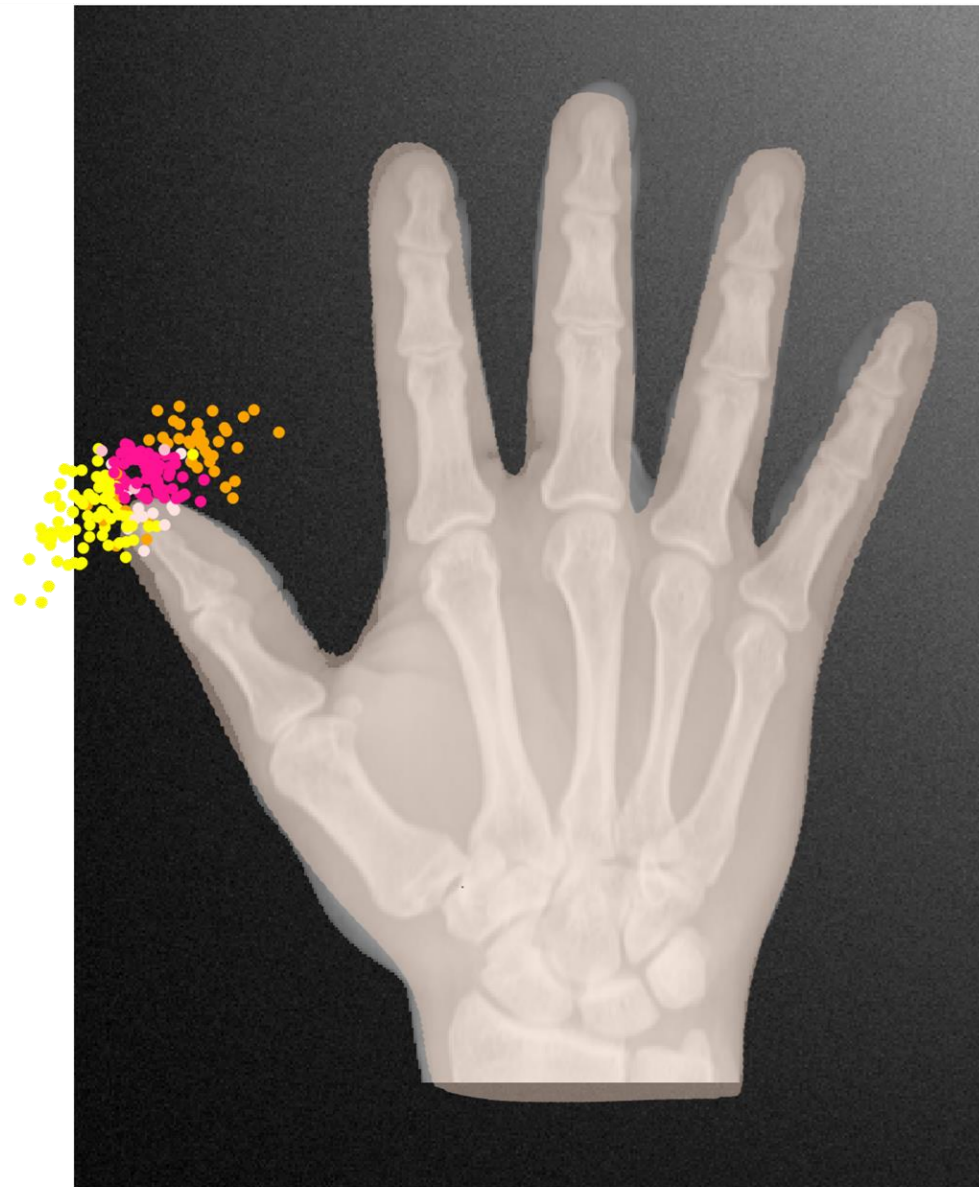
$$p(\rho_i) = N(\mu_i, \Sigma_i)$$

- Can be learned from data or «engineered»

Example:

$$p(\rho_1) = N \left(\begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 100 \\ 700 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 50 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 100 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Search step



- We choose the most likely candidate within a region $\mathcal{N}(x_1)$

$$\max_{x \in \mathcal{N}(x_1)} p(\rho_1(x))$$

as the best matching point.

- The maximal size of the neighbourhood to search can be chosen by the shape model.

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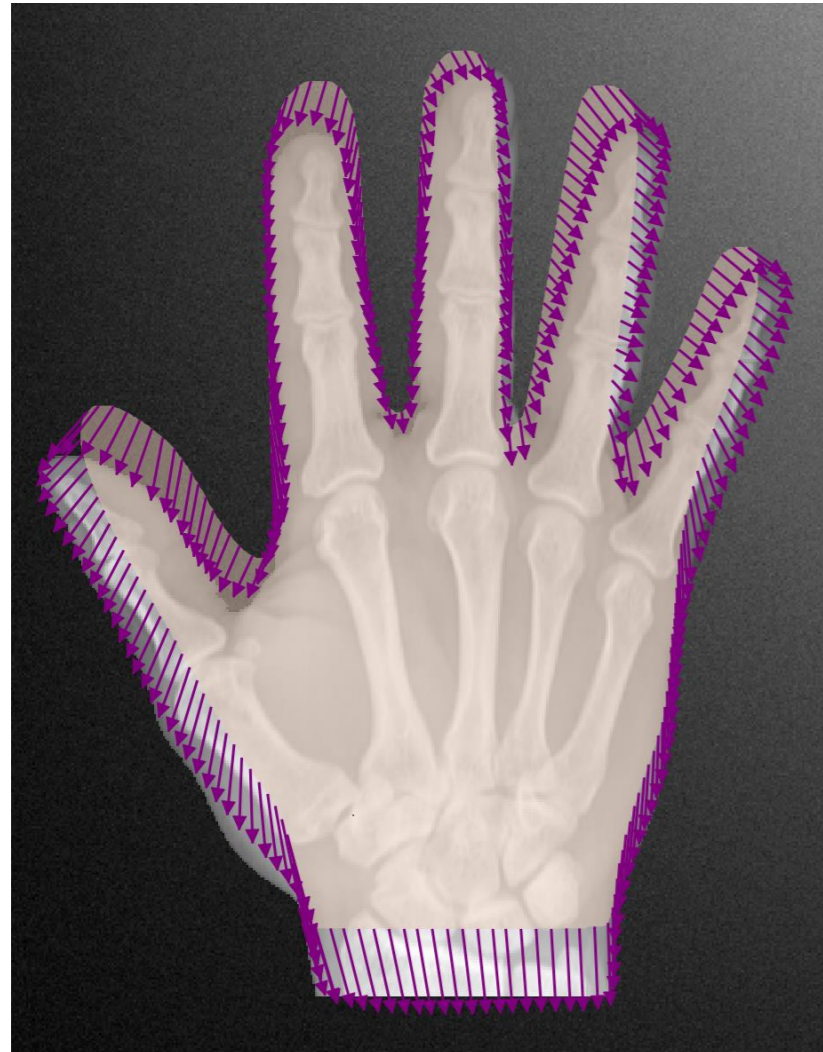
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Summary



- Fitting shape models to images is difficult
 - finds correspondence
 - implies the segmentation problem
- We need a good model for the shape **and** a model of the intensities.
 - All concepts for modelling shapes can be transferred to intensities

Makes the automatic analysis of shapes in images possible.