

Topological inference from measures and vector bundles

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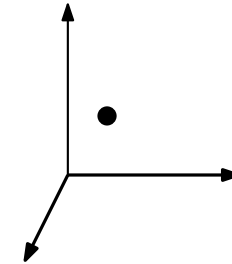
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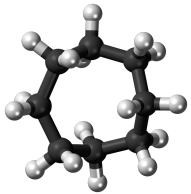


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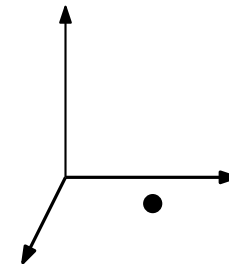


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Conformation of cyclo-octane

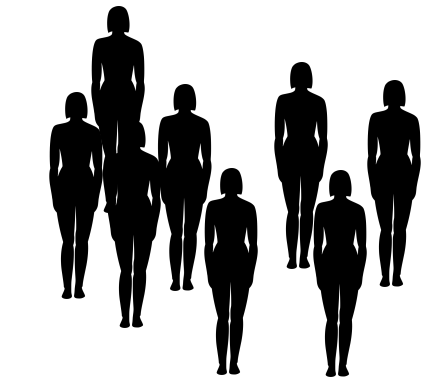
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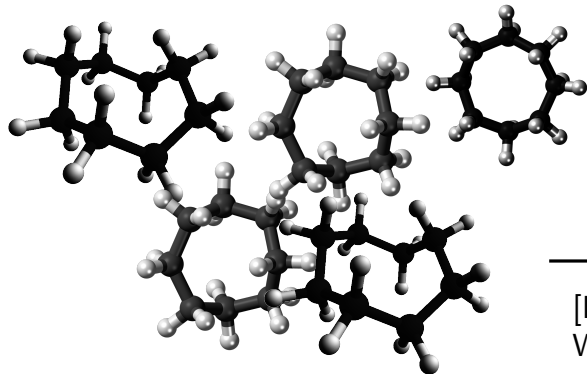
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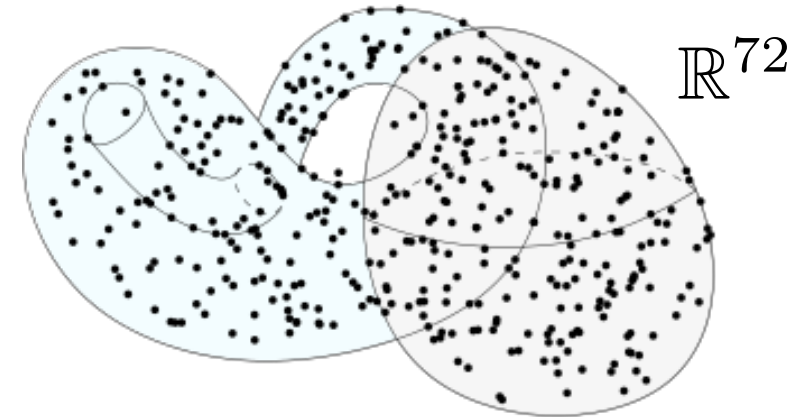
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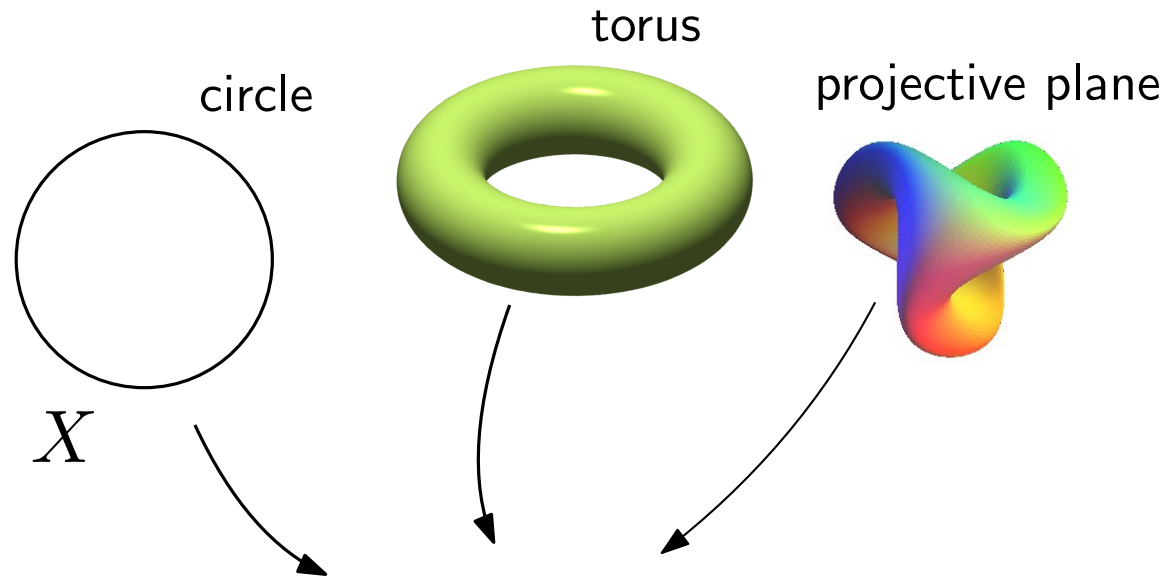
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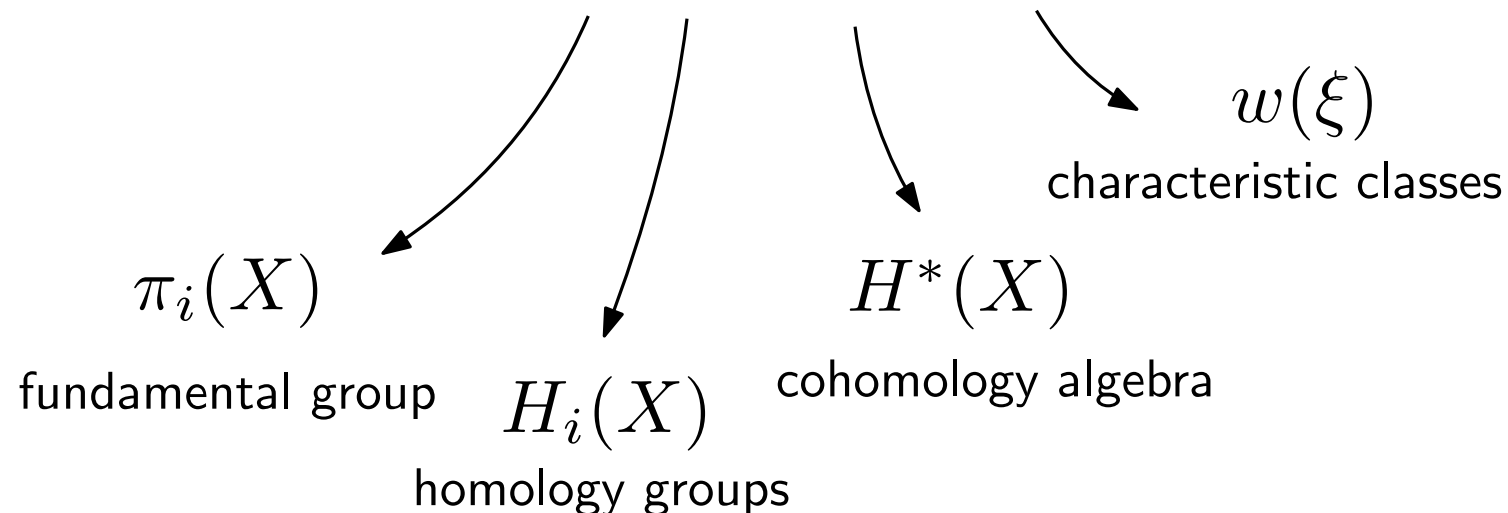
Principle of topological inference: The data is sampled near a shape whose topology is worth understanding.

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Topological
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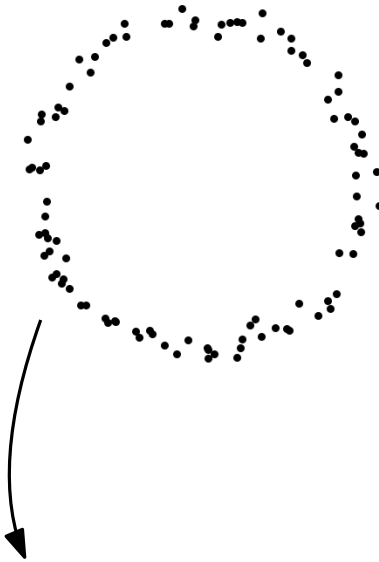


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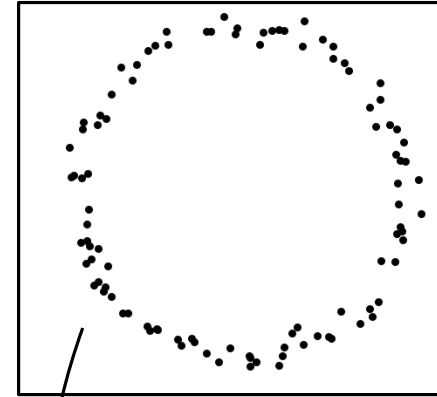
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Algebraic invariants

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This is where persistent homology comes in.

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Persistent homology

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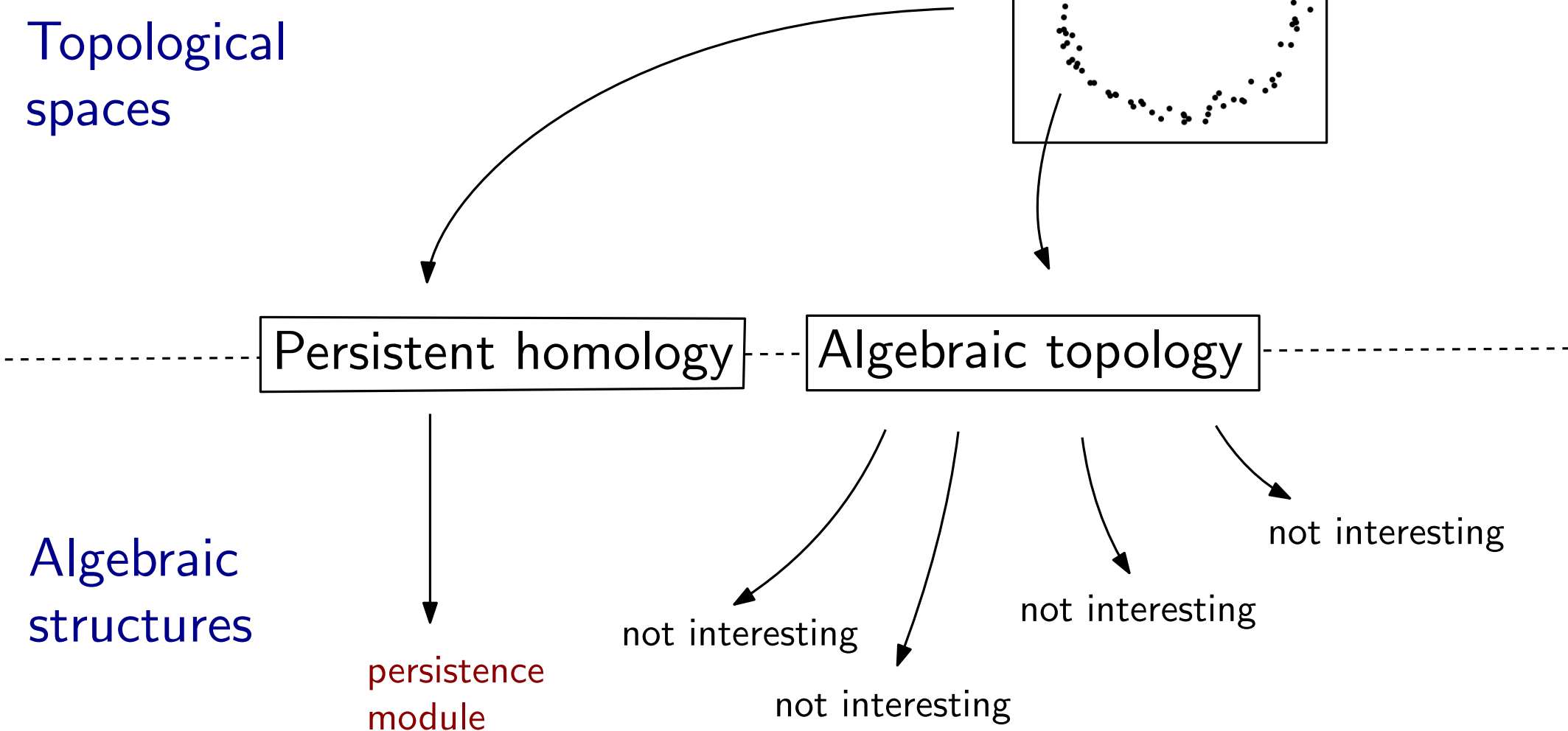
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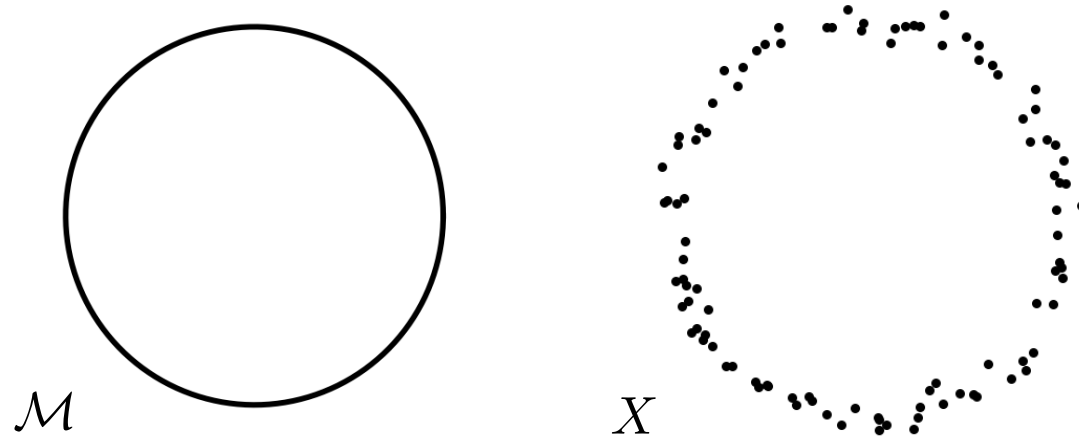
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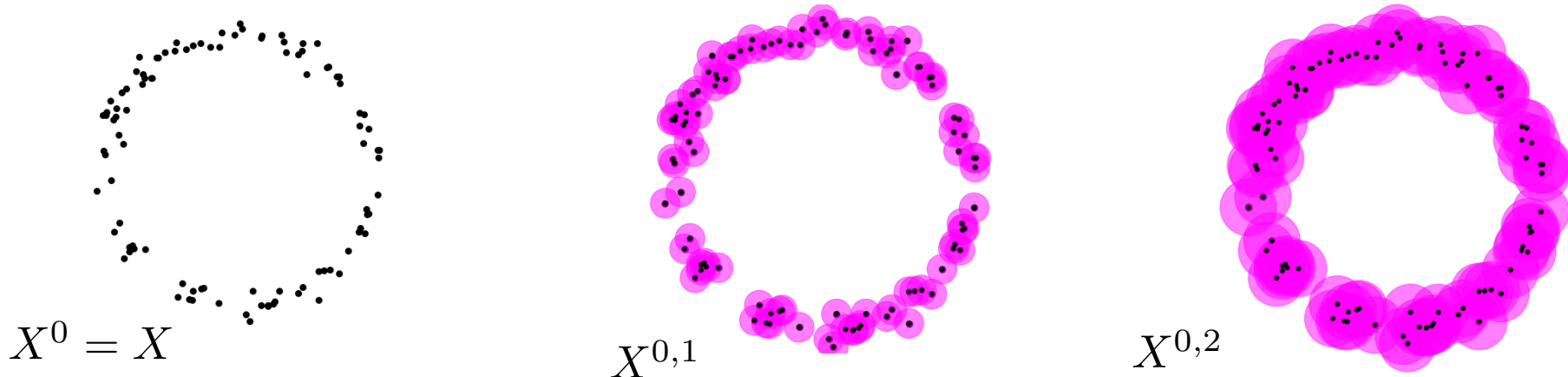
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Let $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a submanifold, and $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ a point cloud.
How to recover the homotopy type of $\mathcal{M}$ from X ?



For all $t \geq 0$, define the t -thickening of X :

$$X^t = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \exists x \in X, \|x - y\| \leq t\}$$



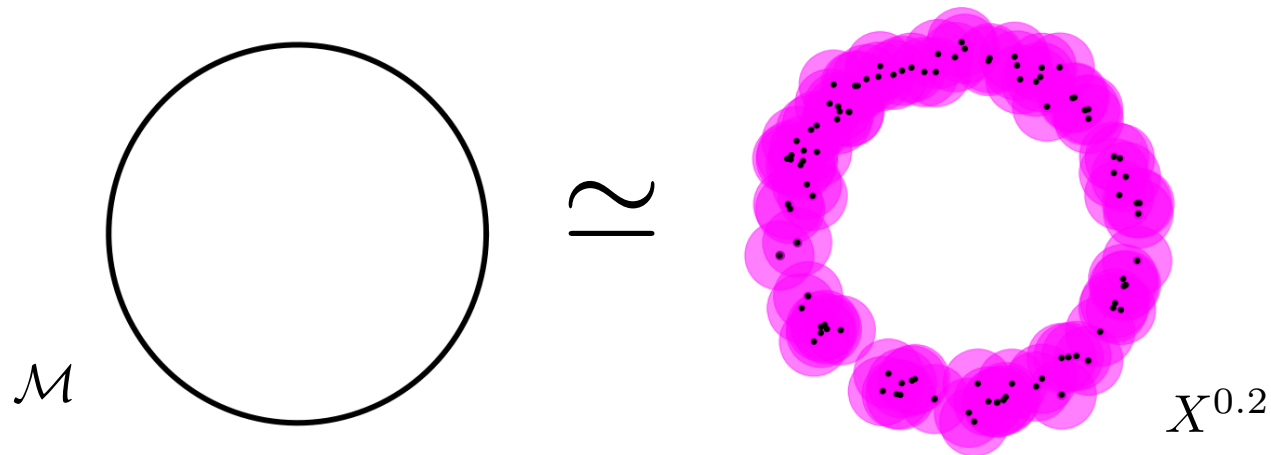
Theorem (Chazal, Cohen-Steiner, Lieutier, 2009)

Let $\mathcal{M}, X$ be subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Suppose that $\text{reach}(\mathcal{M}) > 0$ and $d_H(X, \mathcal{M}) \leq \frac{1}{17} \text{reach}(\mathcal{M})$. Let

$$t \in [4d_H(X, \mathcal{M}), \text{reach}(\mathcal{M}) - 3d_H(X, \mathcal{M})].$$

Then X^t and $\mathcal{M}$ are homotopy equivalent.



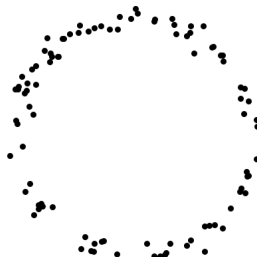
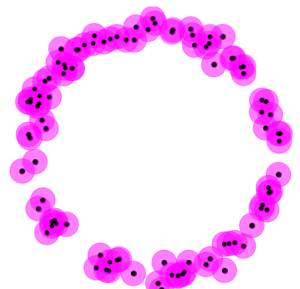
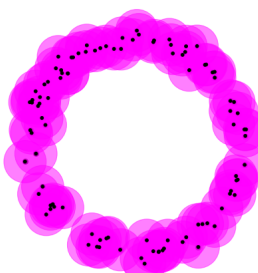
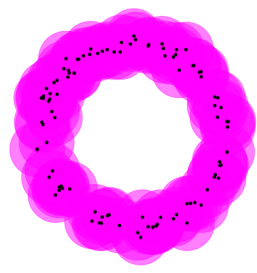
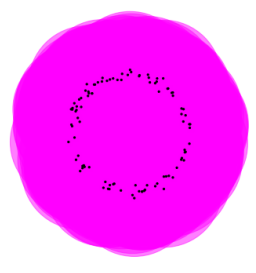
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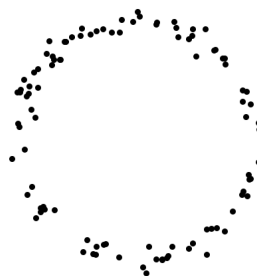
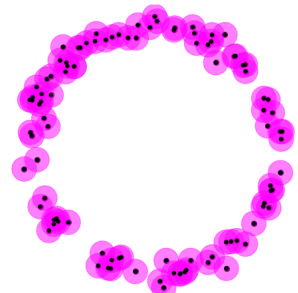
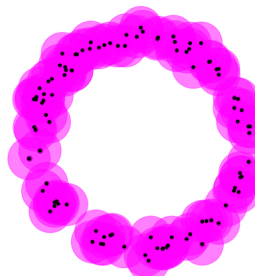
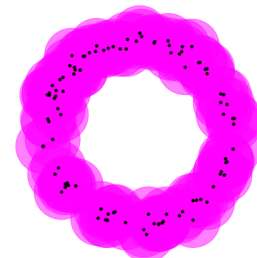
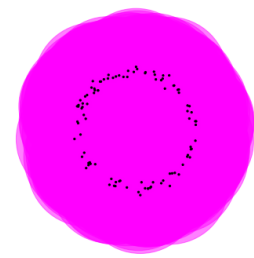
Construction of persistence modules 5/28 (1/2)

We compute the singular homology of the thickenings of X over $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

X^t	 $X^0 = X$	 $X^{0,1}$	 $X^{0,2}$	 $X^{0,3}$	 X^1
$H_0(X^t)$	$(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{100}$	$(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^5$	$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
$H_1(X^t)$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	0

Construction of persistence modules 5/28 (2/2)

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inclusions i_s^t		$i_0^{0.1}$	$i_{0.1}^{0.2}$	$i_{0.2}^{0.3}$	$i_{0.3}^1$	
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		$(i_0^{0.1})_*$	$(i_{0.1}^{0.2})_*$	$(i_{0.2}^{0.3})_*$	$(i_{0.3}^1)_*$	

The data of $(H_i(X^t))_{t \geq 0}$ and $((i_s^t)_*)_{s \leq t}$, is called a *persistence module*.

Definition

A *persistence module* $\mathbb{V}$ over $\mathbb{R}^+$ is a family of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -vector spaces $(V^t)_{t \geq 0}$, and a family of a family of linear maps $(v_s^t: V^s \rightarrow V^t)_{0 \leq s \leq t}$ such that:

- for every $t \geq 0$, $v_t^t: V^t \rightarrow V^t$ is the identity map,
- for every $r, s, t \geq 0$ such that $r \leq s \leq t$, we have $v_s^t \circ v_r^s = v_r^t$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} V^r & \xrightarrow{v_r^s} & V^s & \xrightarrow{v_s^t} & V^t \\ & \searrow & & \nearrow & \\ & & v_r^t & & \end{array}$$

Main construction of persistence modules:

A *filtration* of $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a collection of subsets $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ such that $X_s \subset X_t$ when $s \leq t$.

$$\cdots \rightarrow X_{t_1} \xhookrightarrow{i_{t_1}^{t_2}} X_{t_2} \xhookrightarrow{i_{t_2}^{t_3}} X_{t_3} \xhookrightarrow{i_{t_3}^{t_4}} X_{t_4} \rightarrow \cdots$$

Applying the i^{th} singular homology functor give rise to a persistence module.

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_i(X_{t_1}) \xrightarrow{(i_{t_1}^{t_2})_*} H_i(X_{t_2}) \xrightarrow{(i_{t_2}^{t_3})_*} H_i(X_{t_3}) \xrightarrow{(i_{t_3}^{t_4})_*} H_i(X_{t_4}) \rightarrow \cdots$$

Theorem (Crawley-Boevey, 2015)

A (pointwise finite-dimensional) persistence module is isomorphic to a unique sum of interval modules.

This multi-set of intervals is called the *persistence barcode*. It is a complete invariant of pointwise finite dimensional persistence modules.

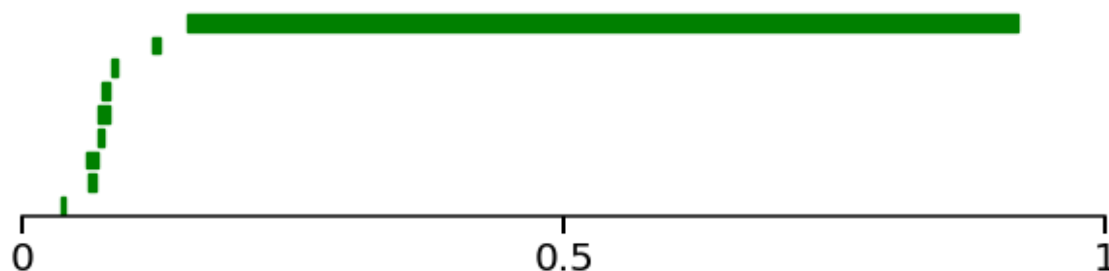
Persistence module:

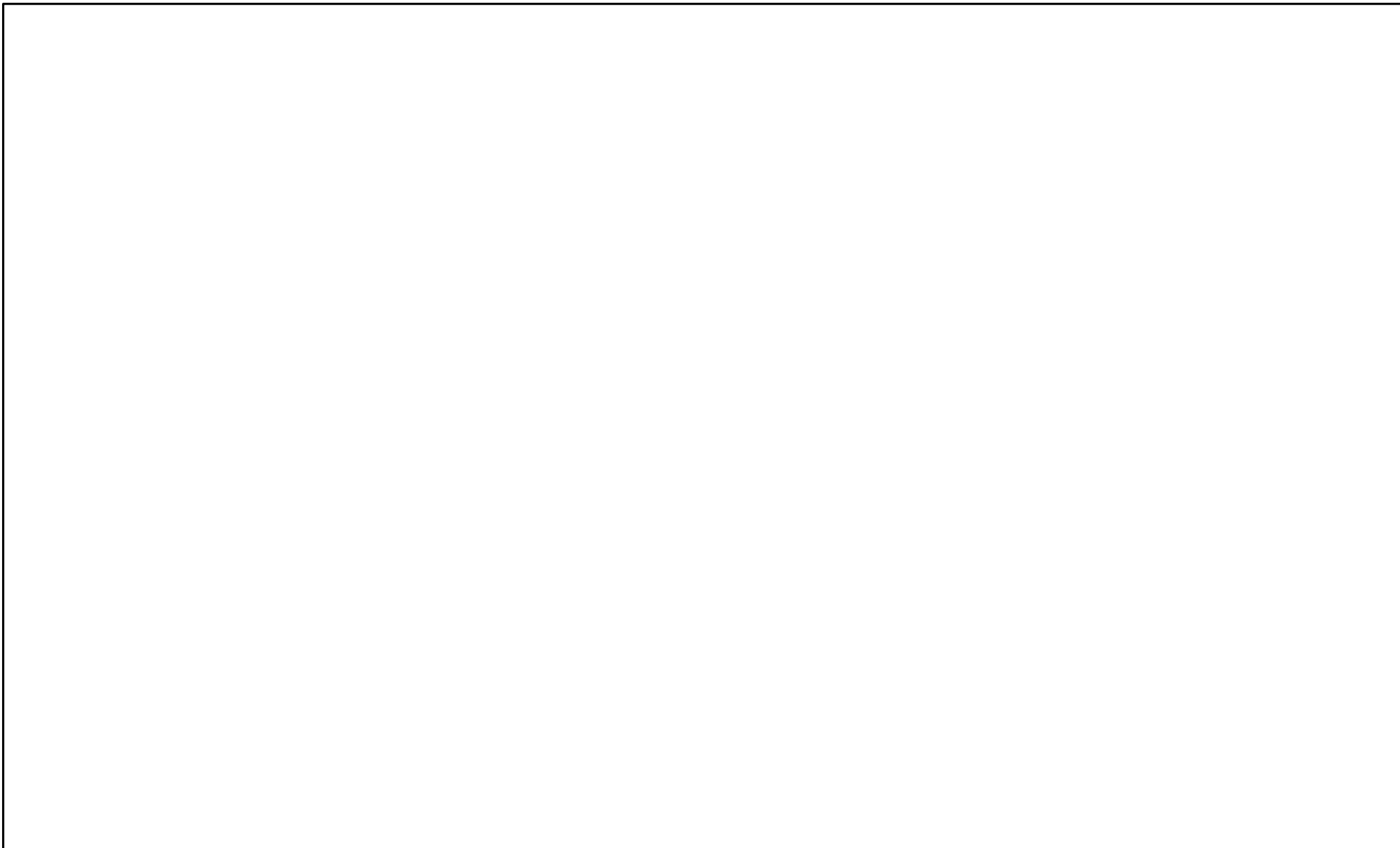
$$\mathbb{V}$$

Barcode:

$\{ [0.171, 0.897), [0.035, 0.049), [0.037, 0.046), [0.072, 0.078), [0.077, 0.083), [0.046, 0.050), [0.050, 0.054), [0.036, 0.040), [0.089, 0.092) \}$

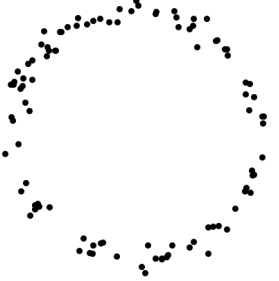
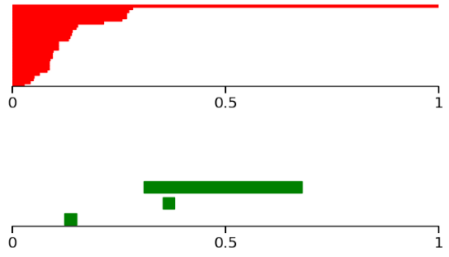
Graphical representation:





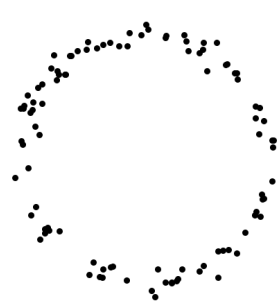
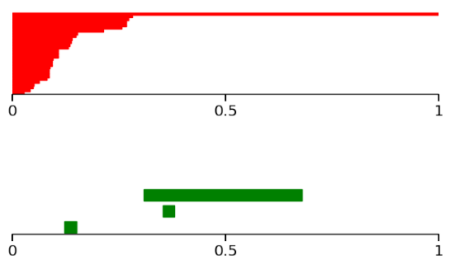
Stability of persistence modules

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Isometry theorem (Chazal, Cohen-Steiner, Glisse, Guibas, Oudot, 2009 - Lesnik 2011)

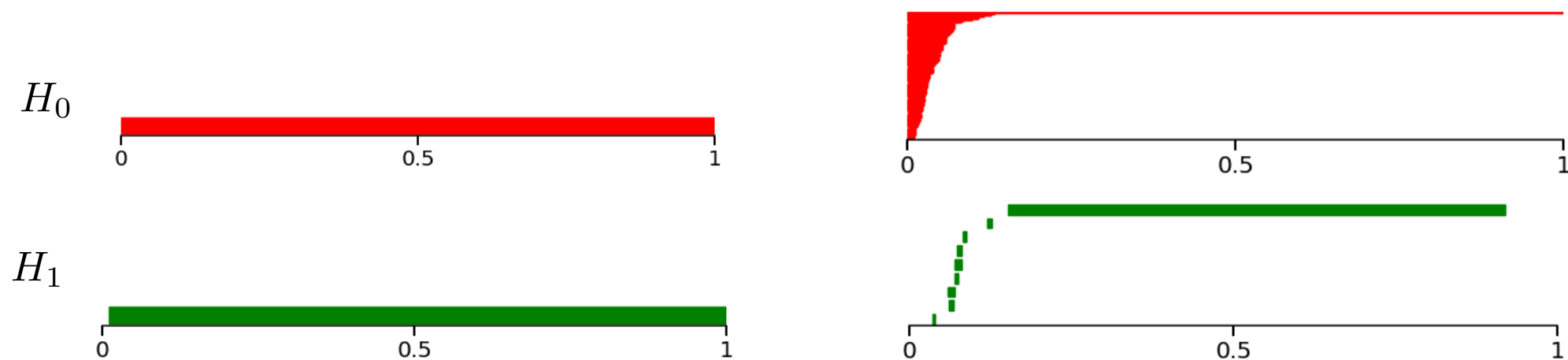
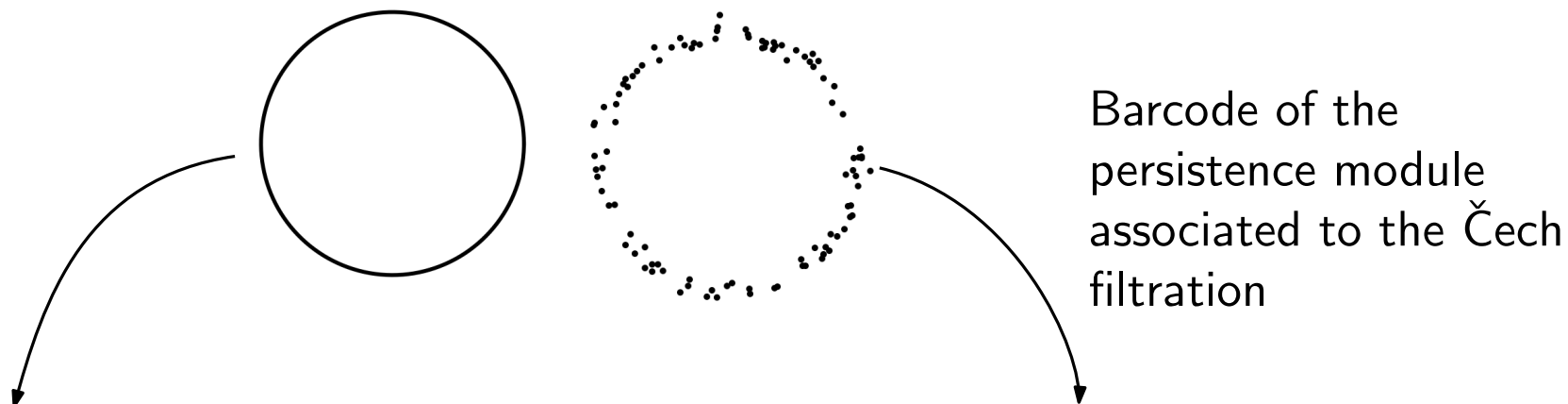
Between pointwise finite-dimensional persistence modules, the bottleneck distance and the interleaving distance are equal.

Stability theorem (Edelsbrunner, Harer, Cohen-Steiner, 2005)

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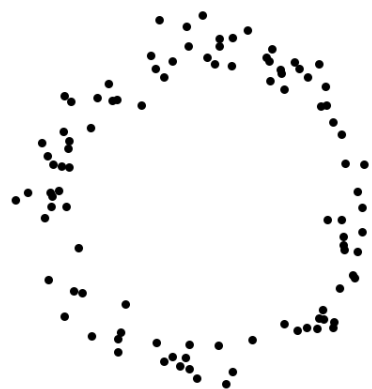
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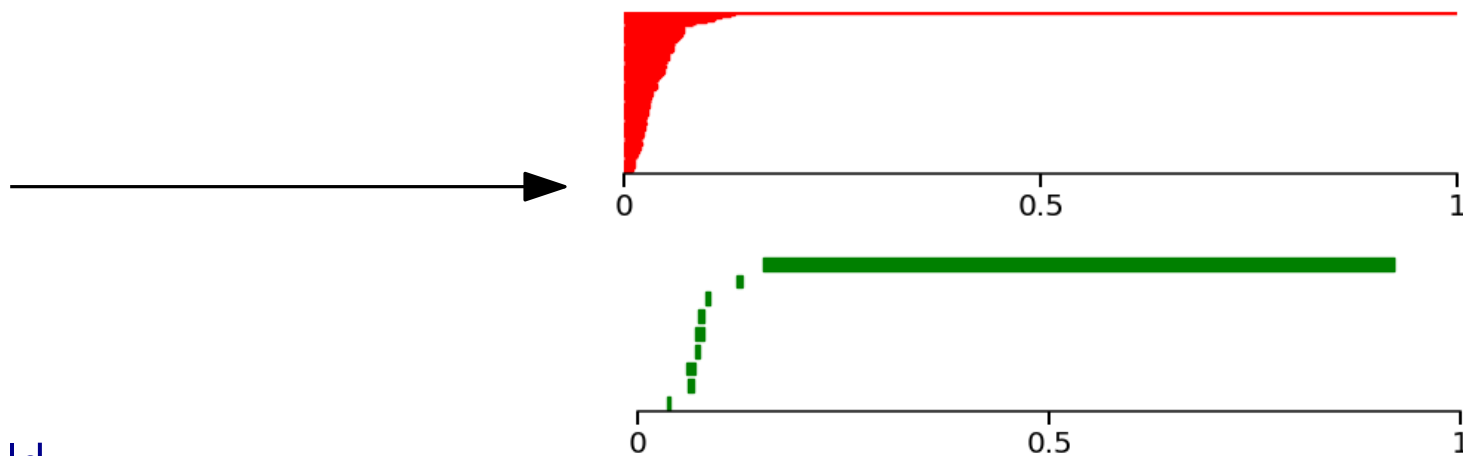
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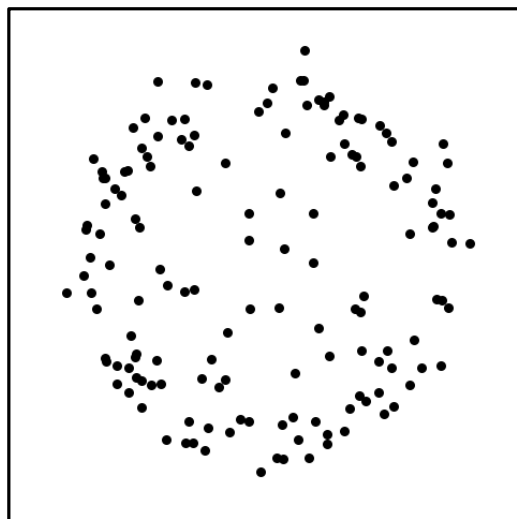
Usual framework of persistent homology:



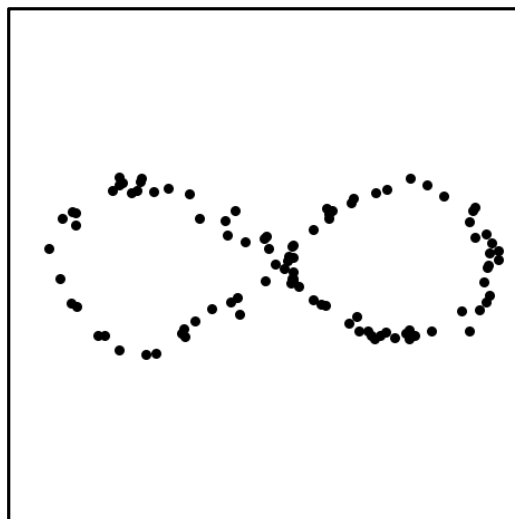
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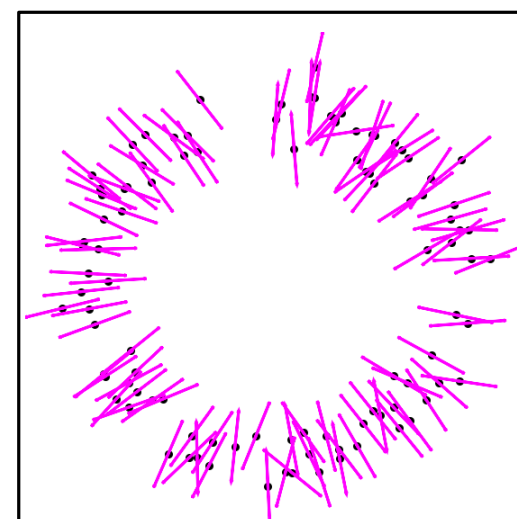
Problems studied in this thesis:



Sample of a submanifold
with anomalous points



Sample of an immersed
manifold



Sample of a vector bundle

DTM-based filtrations

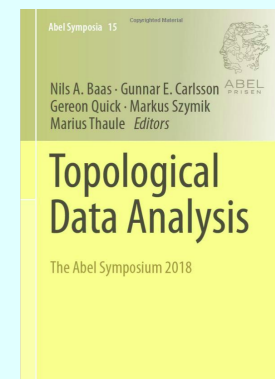
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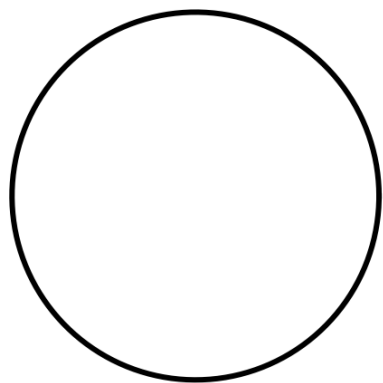
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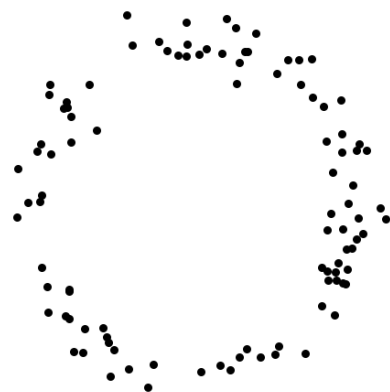
Statement of the problem

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$\mathbb{S}_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$



Sample of $\mathbb{S}_1$ with outliers



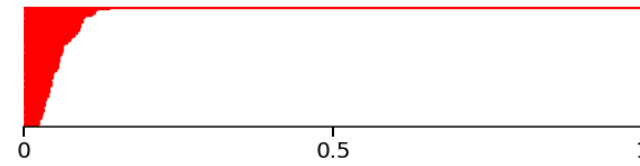
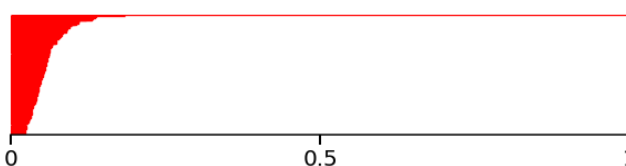
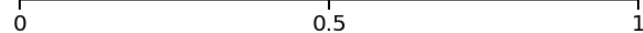
Sample of $\mathbb{S}_1$ with anomalous points



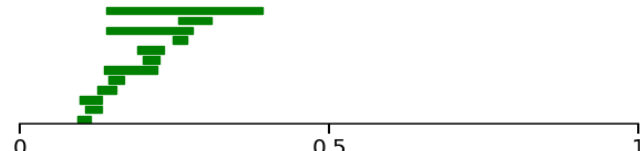
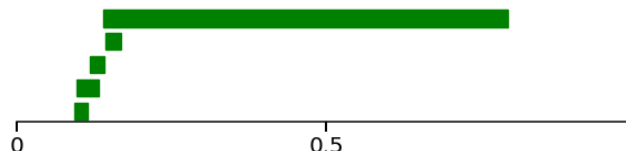
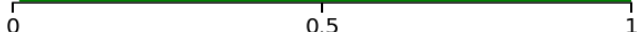
Persistent
homology of the
Čech filtration



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H_1



Stability theorem



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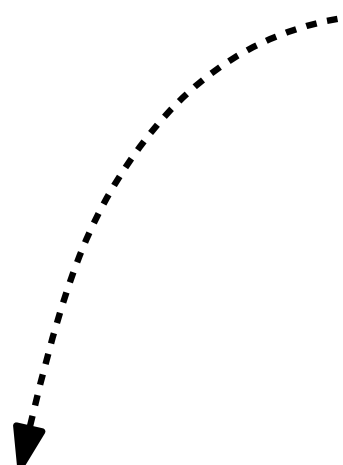
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Goal: build a filtration that is robust to anomalous points.

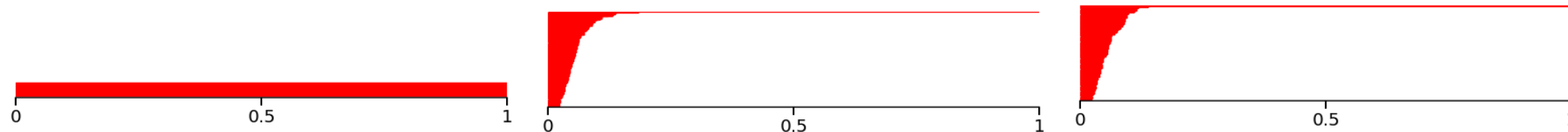
Two ingredients:

- Weighted Čech filtration
- Distance-to-measure

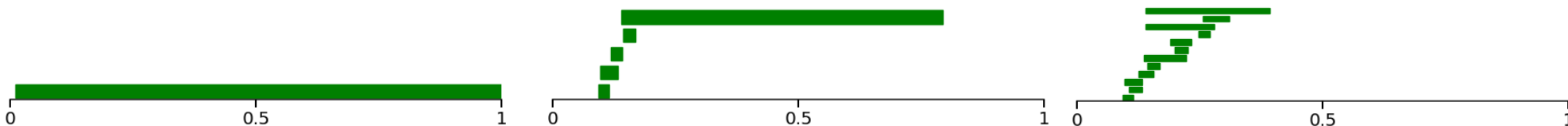
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Weighted Čech filtration

12/28 (1/3)

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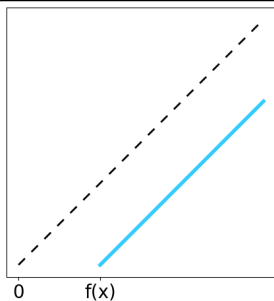
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Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be any map.

Definition

The *weighted Čech filtration* of X with parameter f is the collection $V[X, f] = (V^t[X, f])_{t \geq 0}$, where

$$V^t[X, f] = \bigcup_{x \in X} \overline{B}(x, t - f(x)).$$



$$t \mapsto t - f(x)$$

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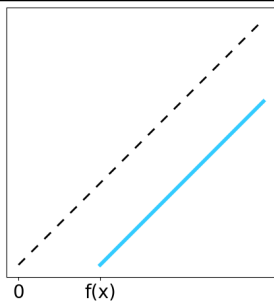
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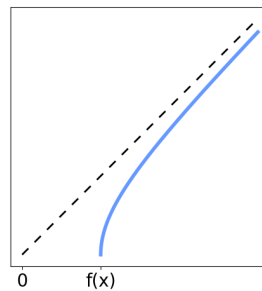
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[Buchet et al., SODA 2015]

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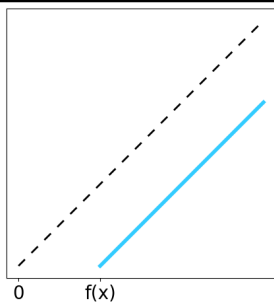
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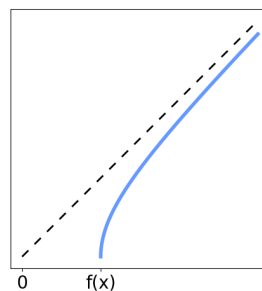
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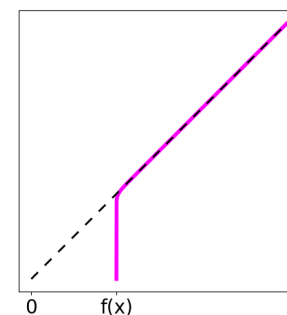


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[Buchet et al., SODA 2015]



$$t \mapsto (t^{30} - f(x)^{30})^{\frac{1}{30}}$$

Distance-to-measure (DTM)

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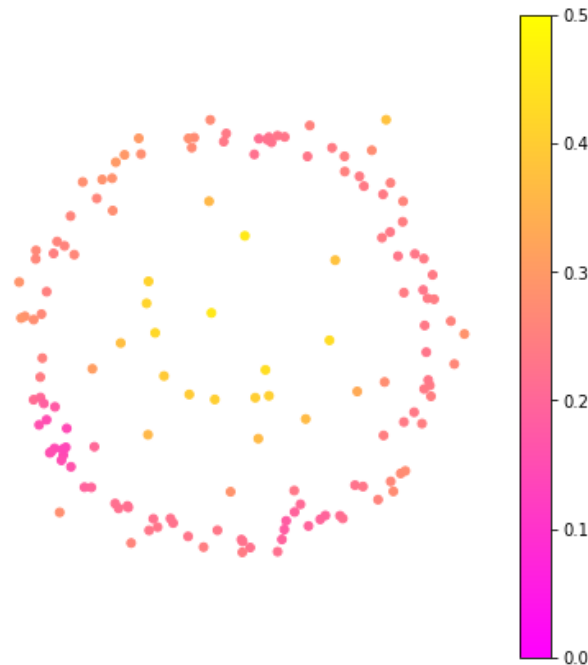
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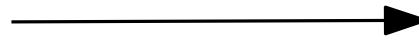
$$\|d_{\mu,m} - d_{\nu,m}\|_{\infty} \leq m^{-\frac{1}{2}} W_2(\mu, \nu),$$

where W_2 denotes the Wasserstein distance.

We shall now adopt a measure point of view. It requires to see our subsets as probability measures.

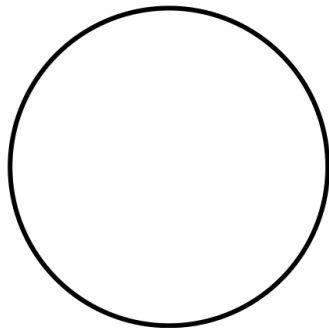


X finite

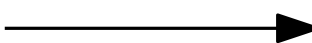


$$\mu = \frac{1}{|X|} \sum_{x \in X} \delta_x$$

empirical measure



$\mathcal{M}$ submanifold



$$\nu = \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^d(\mathcal{M})} \mathcal{H}^d|_{\mathcal{M}}$$

Hausdorff measure

X and $\mathcal{M}$ are not close in Hausdorff distance...

But μ and ν are close in Wasserstein distance!

Definition

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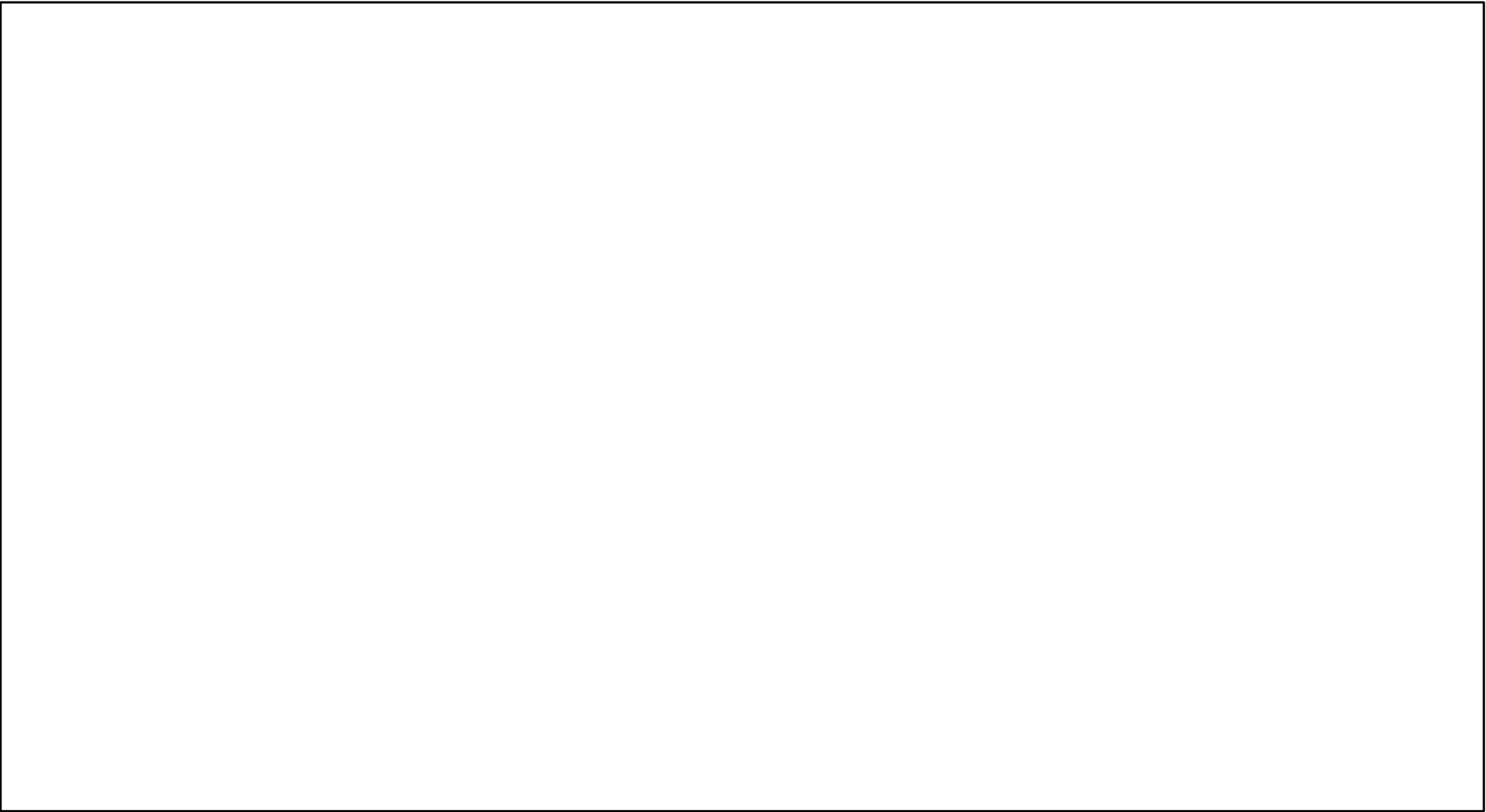
The *DTM-filtration* with parameters μ, m and p is the weighted Čech filtration $V[X, f, p]$ with parameters:

- $X = \text{supp}(\mu)$
- $f = d_{\mu, m}$

It is denoted $W[\mu, m, p]$.

Explicitely, $W[\mu, m, p] = (W^t[\mu, m, p])_{t \geq 0}$ with:

$$W^t[\mu, m, p] = \bigcup_{x \in \text{supp}(\mu)} \overline{\mathcal{B}} \left(x, (t^p - d_{\mu, m}(x)^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right)$$



Case $p = 1$: $W^t[\mu, m, p] = \bigcup \overline{\mathcal{B}}(x, t - d_{\mu, m}(x))$

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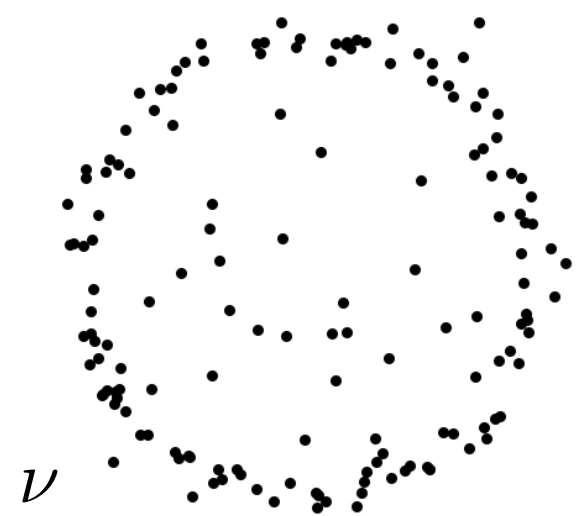
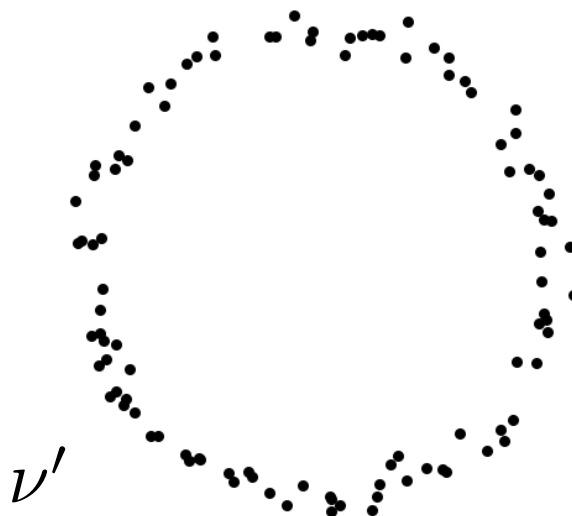
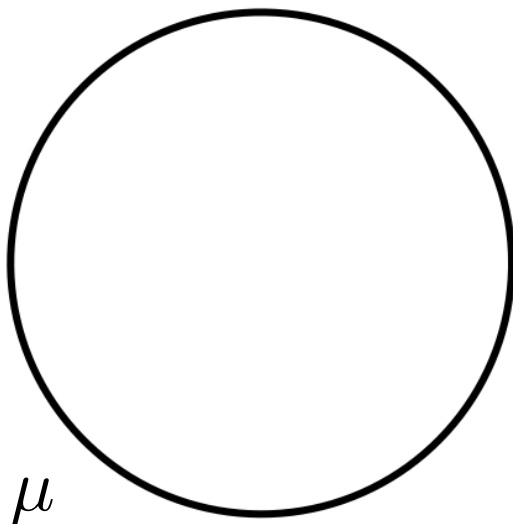
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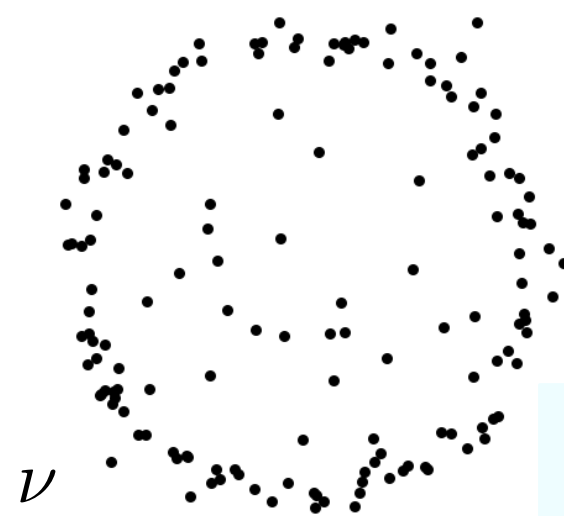
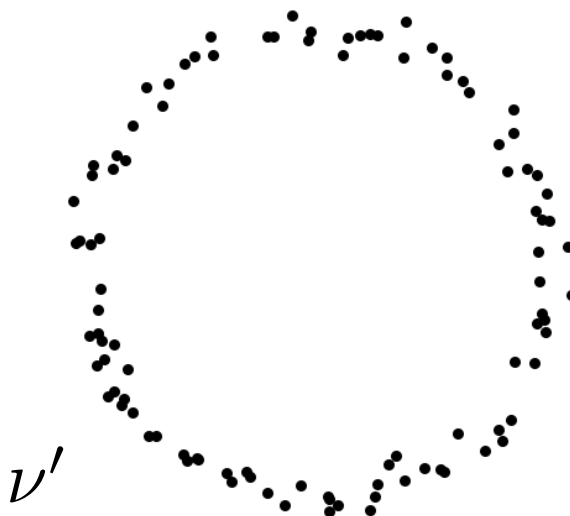
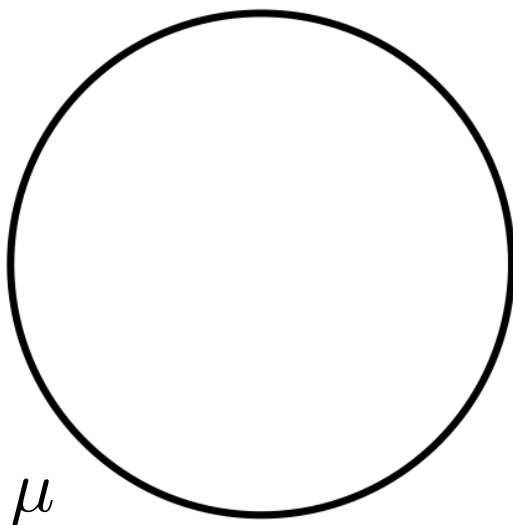
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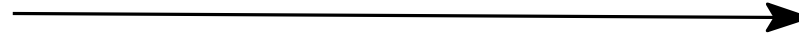
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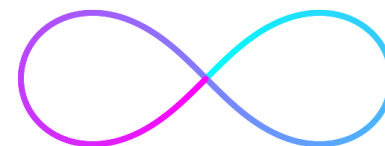
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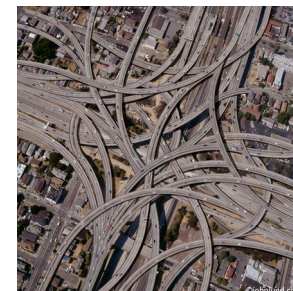
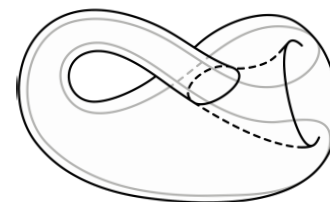
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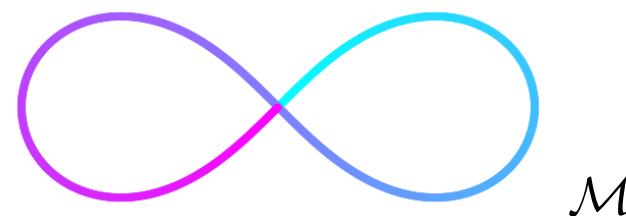
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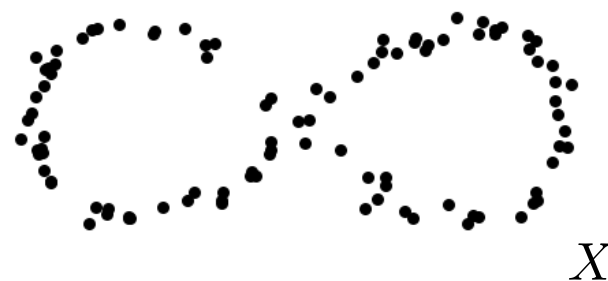
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Homology groups

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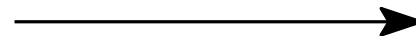
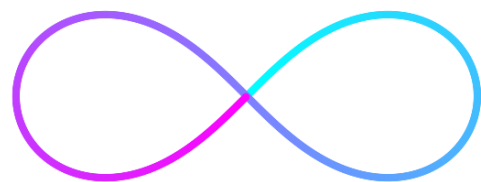


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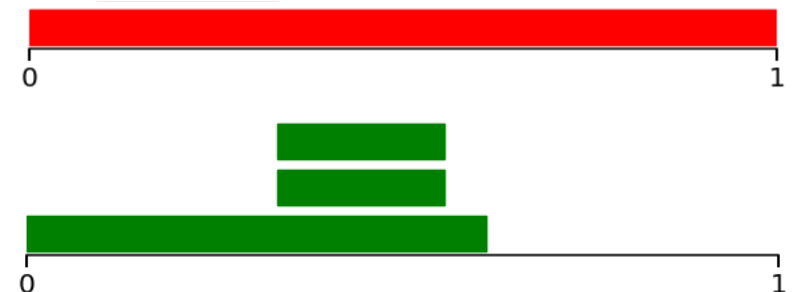
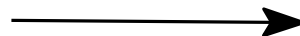
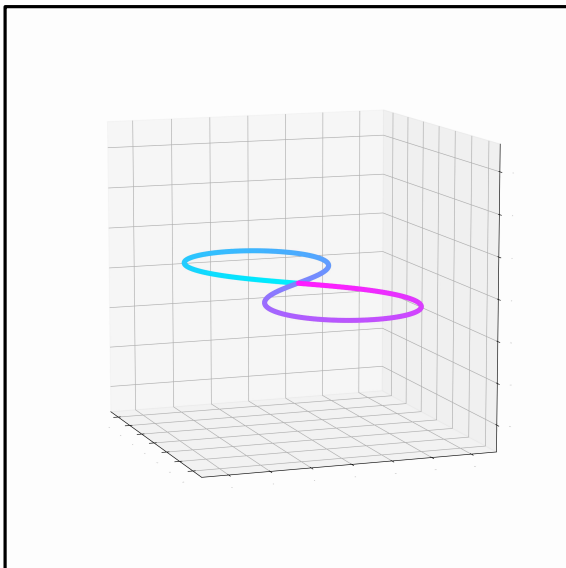
Given a point cloud $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ close to $\mathcal{M}$, compute the homology groups of $\mathcal{M}_0$.

We will use persistent homology.

Unfortunately, the persistent homology of the Čech filtration of $\mathcal{M}$ does not reveal the homology of $\mathcal{M}_0$.



We will lift $\mathcal{M}$ in a higher dimensional space, where the Čech filtration reveals a circle.



How to lift $\mathcal{M}$?

$$\mathcal{M}_0 \xrightarrow{u} \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$x_0 \mapsto u(x_0)$$

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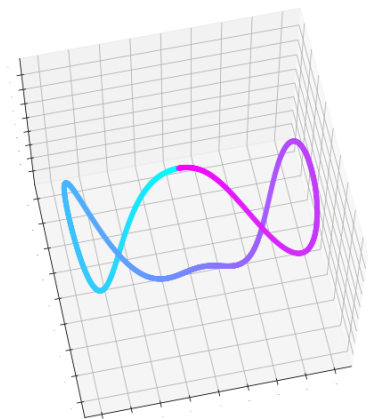
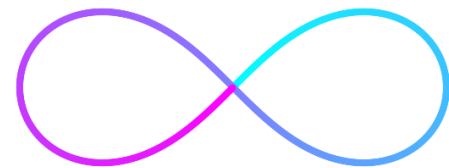
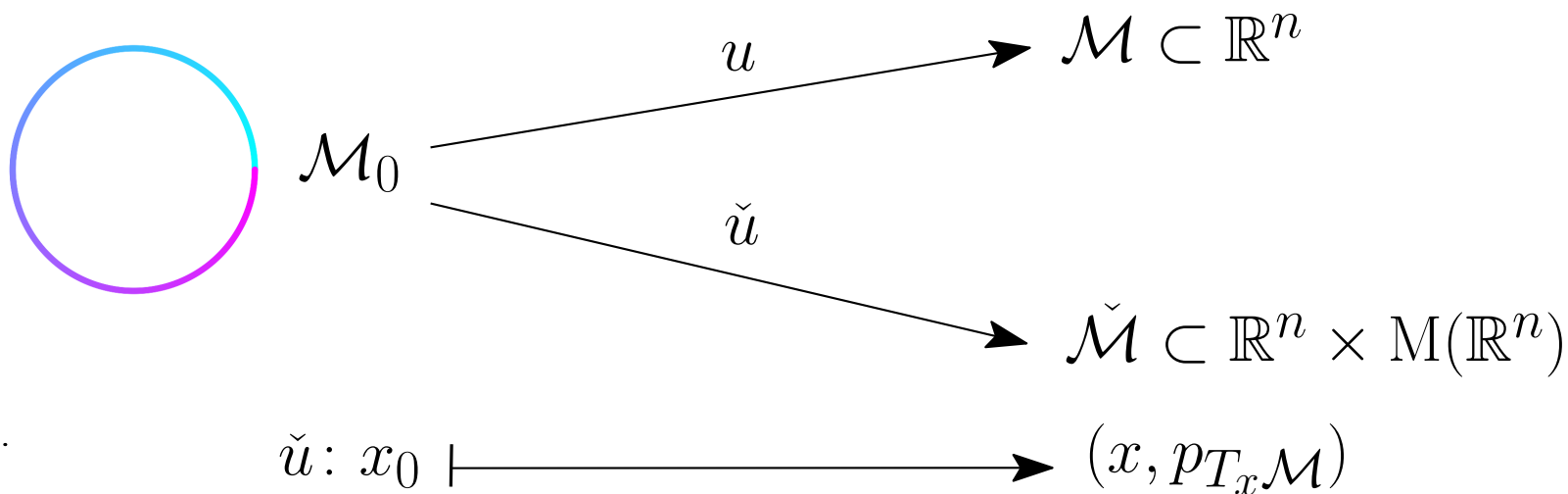
$$f: x_0 \mapsto T_{x_0} \mathcal{M}_0$$

(tangent space of $\mathcal{M}_0$ at x_0)

- $\check{u}$ is an embedding under a reasonable assumption
- we are actually estimating the tangent bundle of $\mathcal{M}_0$

Notations:

- $u: \mathcal{M}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an immersion
- For $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}_0$, $x = u(x_0)$
- For $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}_0$, $T_x \mathcal{M}$ denotes the tangent space of $\mathcal{M}_0$ seen in $\mathbb{R}^n$
- $M(\mathbb{R}^n)$ denotes the space of $n \times n$ matrices
- $p_{T_x \mathcal{M}} \in M(\mathbb{R}^n)$ denotes the orthogonal projection matrix on $T_x \mathcal{M}$
- *Lift space*: $\mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^n)$
- *Lifted manifold*: $\check{\mathcal{M}} = \{(x, p_{T_x \mathcal{M}}), x_0 \in \mathcal{M}_0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^n)$
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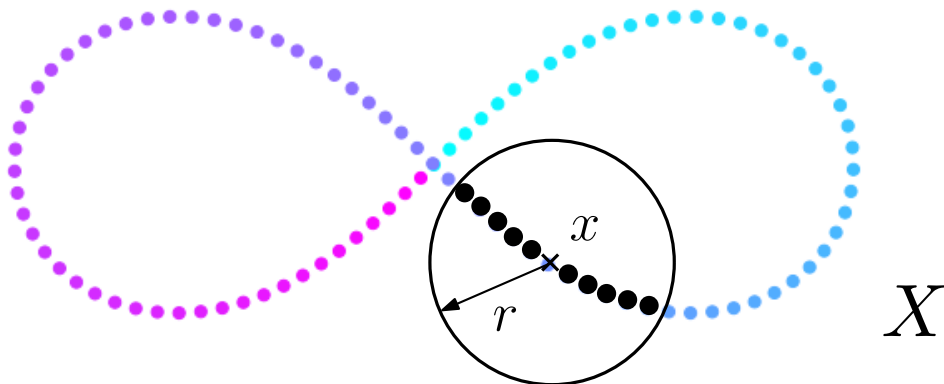
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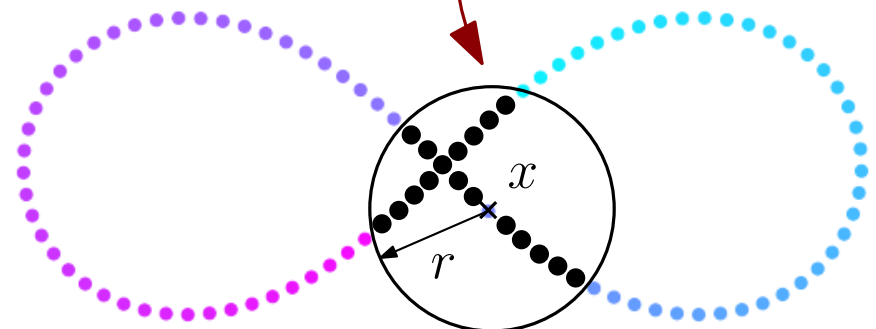
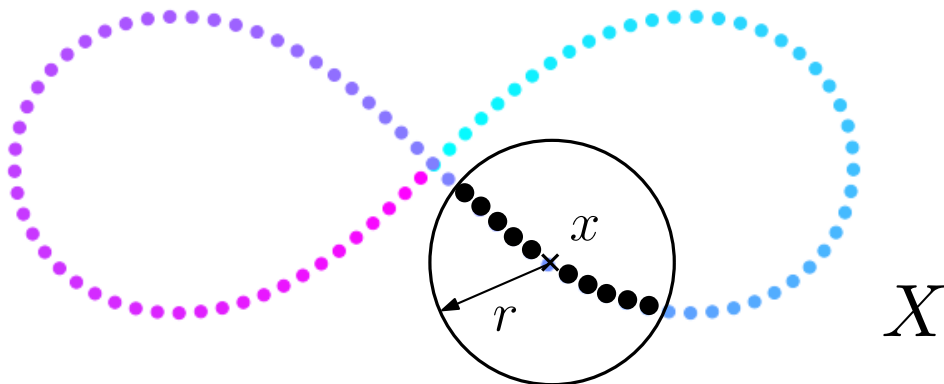
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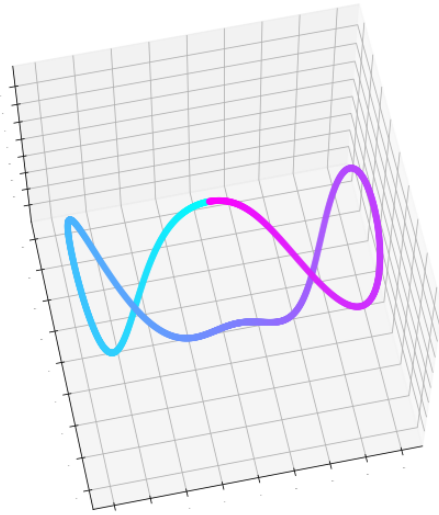
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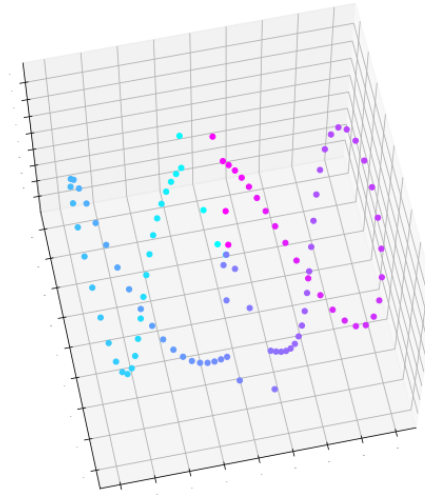
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bad estimation of
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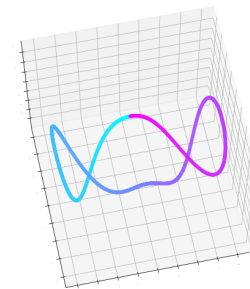
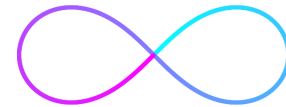
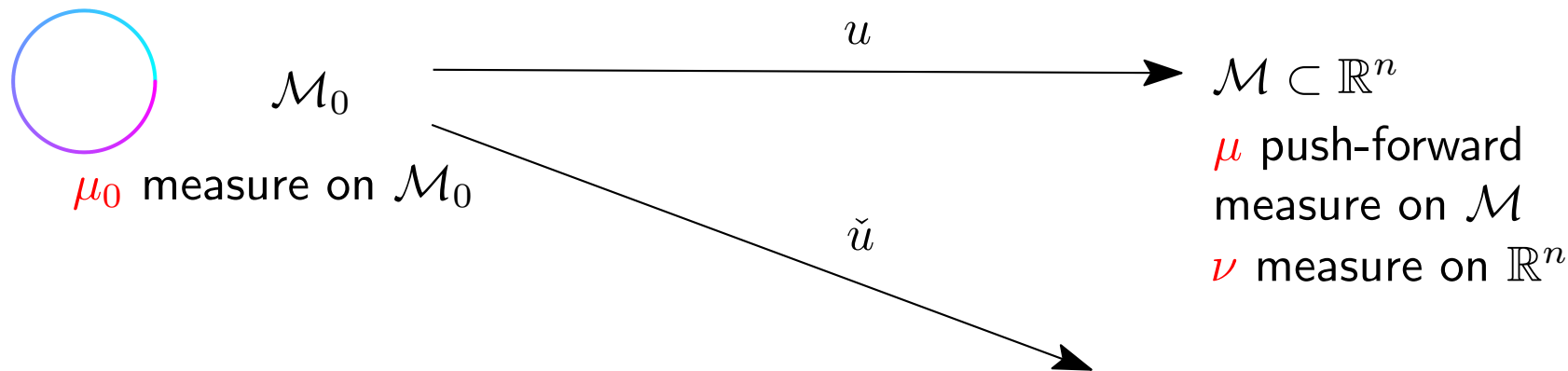
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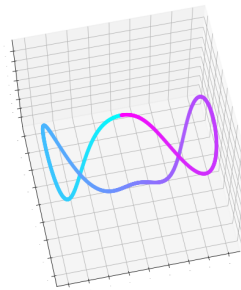
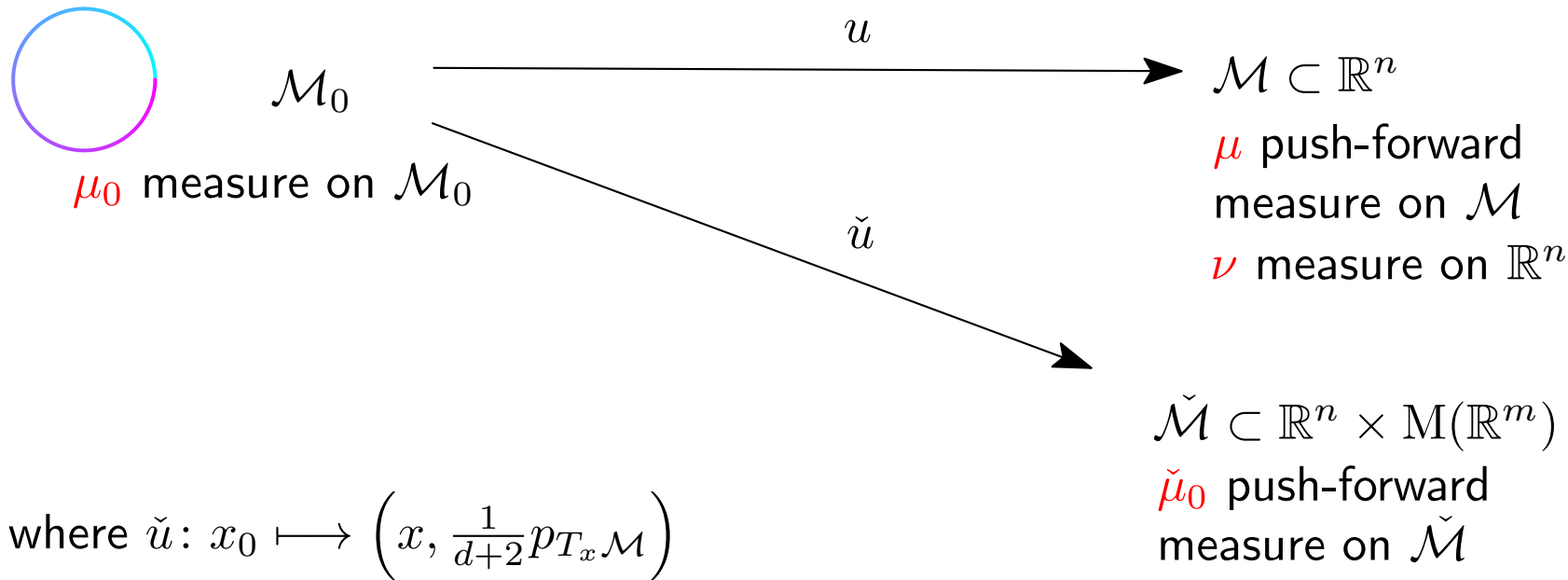
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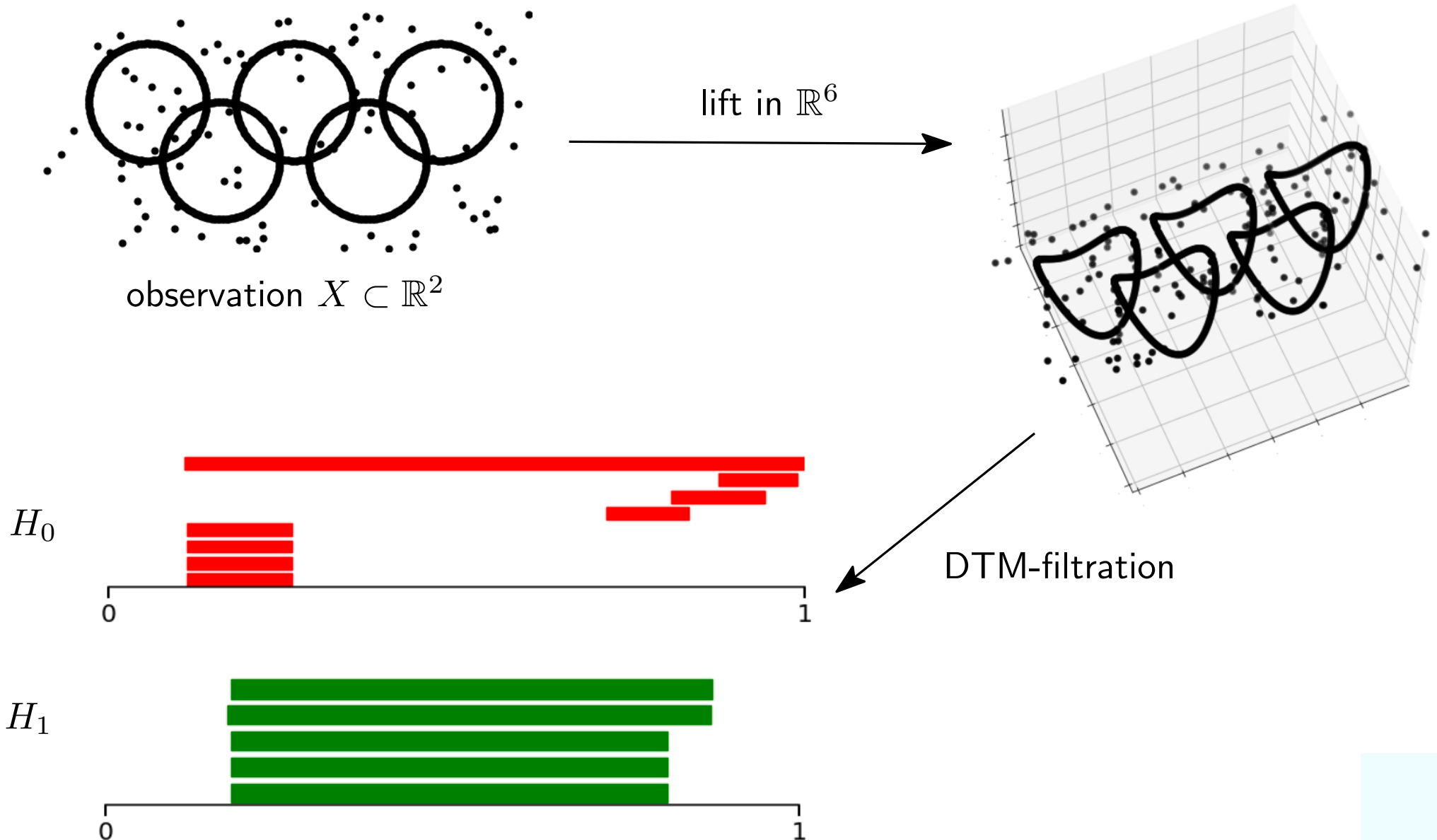
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Under technical assumptions on $\mathcal{M}_0$ and μ_0 , there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that, for every $t \in [4\epsilon, \text{reach}(\check{\mathcal{M}}) - 3\epsilon]$, the sublevel set of the DTM $d_{\check{\nu}, m}^{-1}([0, t])$ is homotopy equivalent to $\mathcal{M}_0$.

DTM-Filtration on the lifted measure

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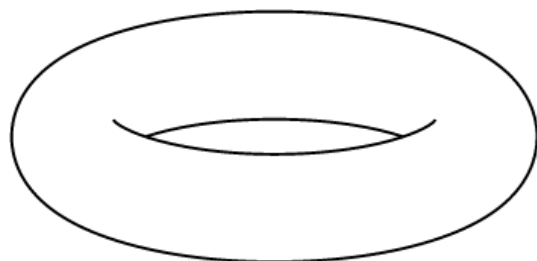
Let $\tilde{\nu}$ be the lifted measure, on $\mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^n)$. We apply the DTM-filtration to it.



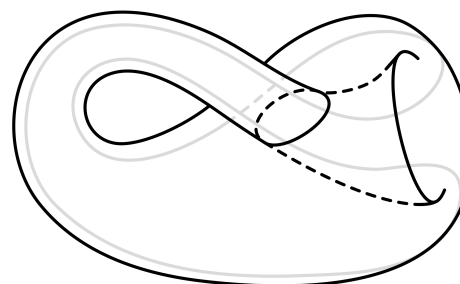
Persistent Stiefel-Whitney classes

Persistent homology allows to estimate the *homology* of a space.

Over $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$, homology may not be fine enough to distinguish between non-homeomorphic spaces.



Torus



Klein bottle

The **Stiefel-Whitney classes** are a refinement of cohomology, that allows to differentiate such spaces.

They are defined for any topological space X endowed with a vector bundle ξ . For all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, the i^{th} Stiefel-Whitney class is denoted

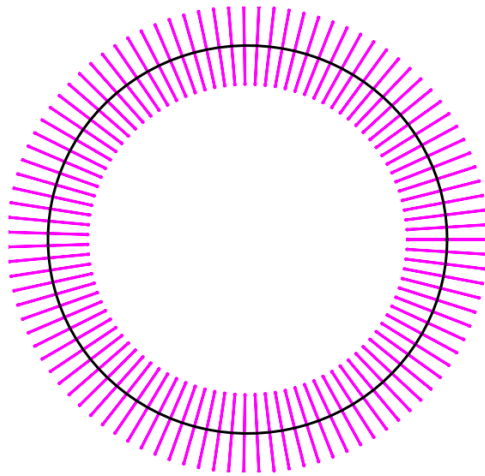
$$w_i(\xi) \in H^i(X).$$

How to estimate the Stiefel-Whitney classes from a point cloud?

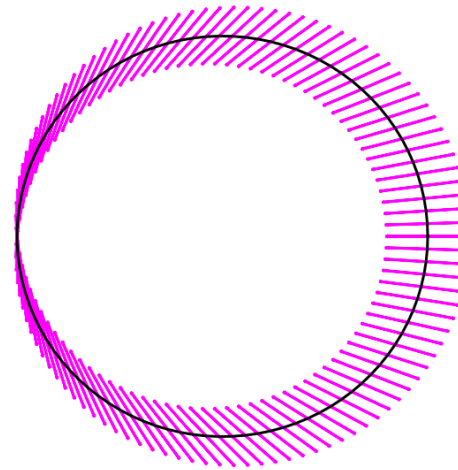
A practical definition of vector bundles^{23/28 (1/2)}

(First) Definition: A vector bundle over X is a surjection $\pi : E \rightarrow X$ whose fibers are vector spaces and which satisfies a local triviality condition.

Normal bundle of
the circle



Möbius strip



- If V is a vector space, the Grassmannian of d -planes of V is denoted $\mathcal{G}_d(V)$. It is the set of d -dimensional subspaces of V .
- Let $\mathbb{R}^\infty$ denote the space of sequences of $\mathbb{R}$ that are 0 from some point.

Thanks to the correspondance between vector bundles and classifying maps, we have an alternative definition.

(Second) Definition

A vector bundle over X is a continuous map $\pi : X \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^\infty)$ or $\pi : X \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

A practical definition of vector bundles 23/28 (2/2)

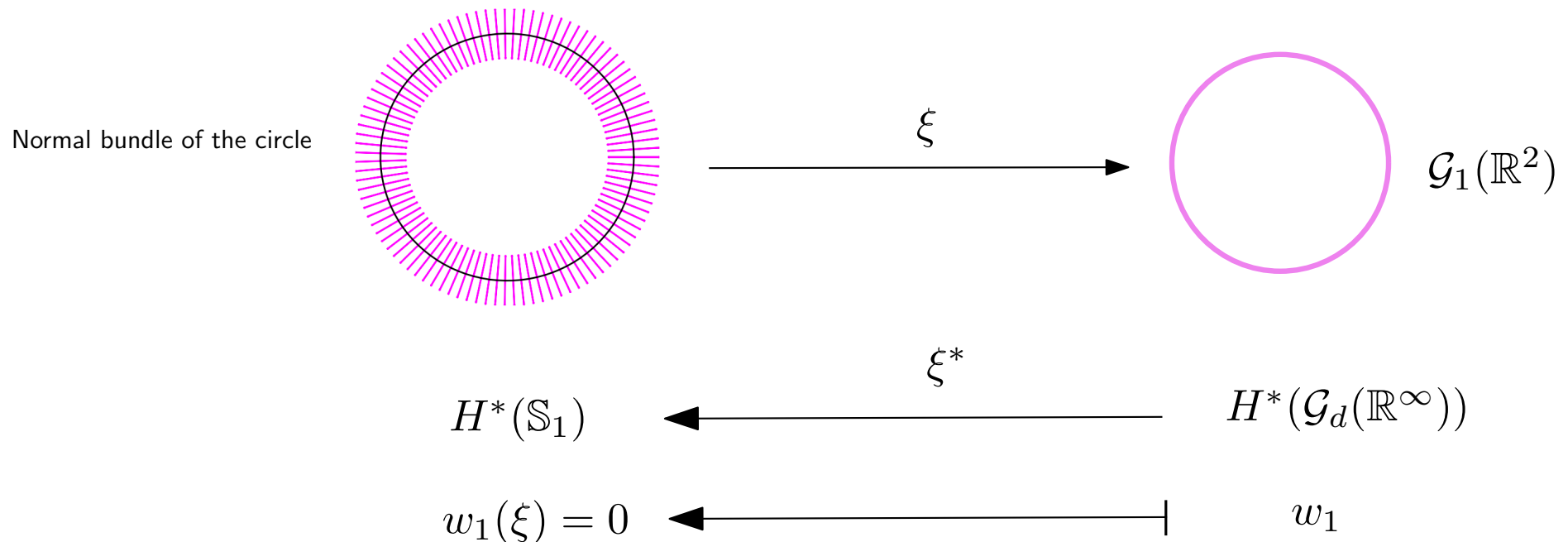
Recall that the Grassmannian has $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -cohomology

$$H^*(\mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^\infty)) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}[w_1, \dots, w_d]$$

where w_i has degree i .

The Stiefel-Whitney classes of the vector bundle $\xi: X \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^\infty)$ can be defined as

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- Suppose that $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. For any vector bundle $\xi: X \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m)$, consider the lifted space

$$\check{X} = \{(x, \xi(x)), x \in X\}.$$

It is a subset of $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

- We embed $\mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m)$ in $M(\mathbb{R}^m)$ via

$$T \mapsto \text{projection matrix onto } T.$$

Then $\check{X}$ can be seen as a subset of $\mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

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For any $A \in M(\mathbb{R}^m)$, let A^s denote the matrix $A^s = \frac{1}{2}(A + {}^tA)$, and let $\lambda_1(A^s), \dots, \lambda_n(A^s)$ be the eigenvalues of A^s in decreasing order. The distance from A to $\text{med}(\mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m))$ is $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |\lambda_d(A^s) - \lambda_{d+1}(A^s)|$.

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Lifobar of a persistent class

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Let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^m)$ and $w_i(X)$.

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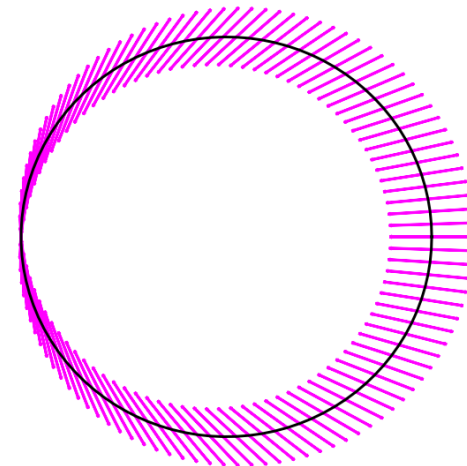
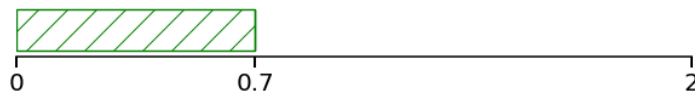
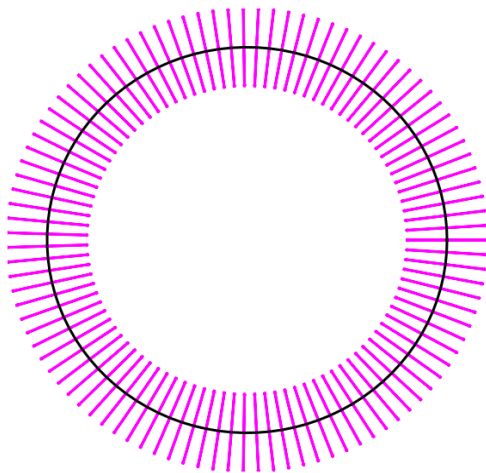
The *lifobar* of the persistent Stiefel-Whitney class $w_i(X)$ is the set

$$\{t < t_{\max}, w_i^t(X) \neq 0\}.$$



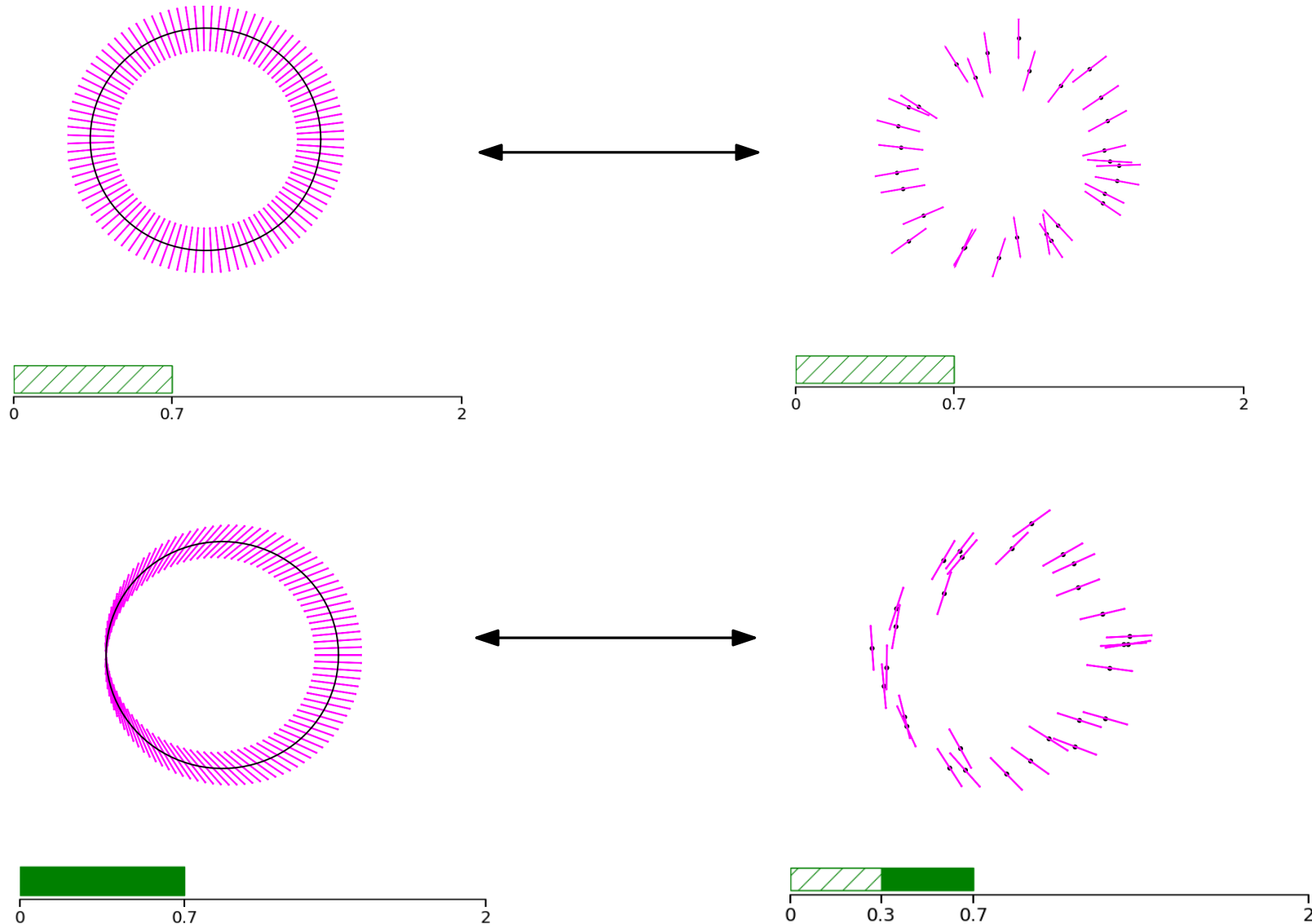
the lifobar is an interval!

Example: lifebars of first persistent Stiefel-Whitney classes



Theorem

If two subsets $X, Y \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times M(\mathbb{R}^m)$ satisfies $d_H(X, Y) \leq \epsilon$, then for all $i \geq 0$, the lifebars of their i^{th} Stiefel-Whitney classes are ϵ -close.



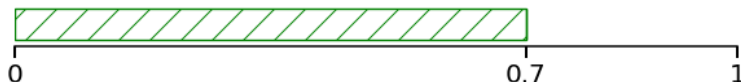
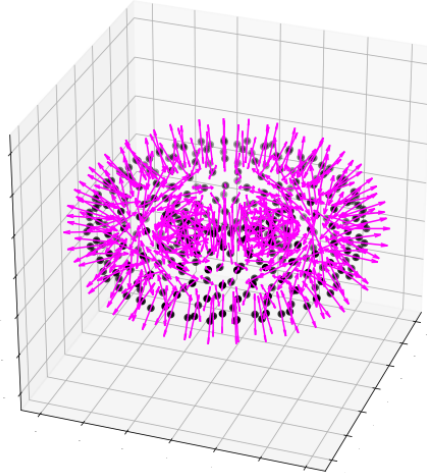
If $u: \mathcal{M}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an immersion and $\xi: \mathcal{M}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_d(\mathbb{R}^m)$ a vector bundle, consider the set

$$\check{\mathcal{M}} = \{(u(x_0), \xi(x_0)), x_0 \in \mathcal{M}_0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbf{M}(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

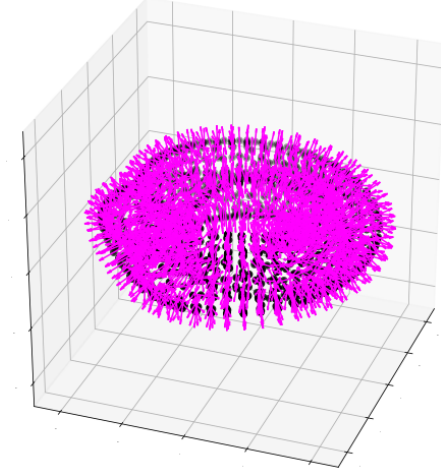
Theorem

Let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbf{M}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ be any subset such that $d_H(X, \check{\mathcal{M}}) \leq \epsilon$. Then for every $t \in [4\epsilon, \text{reach}(\check{\mathcal{M}}) - 3\epsilon]$, the composition of inclusions $\mathcal{M}_0 \hookrightarrow \check{\mathcal{M}} \hookrightarrow X^t$ induces an isomorphism $H^*(\mathcal{M}_0) \leftarrow H^*(X^t)$ which sends the i^{th} persistent Stiefel-Whitney class $w_i^t(X)$ of the Čech bundle filtration of X to the i^{th} Stiefel-Whitney class of $(\mathcal{M}_0, p)$.

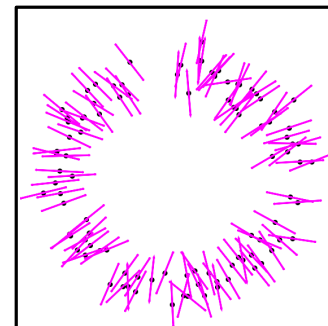
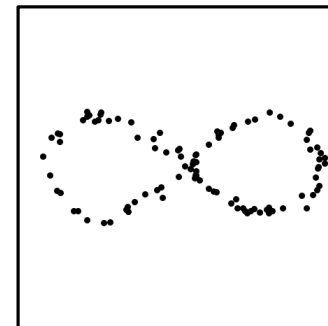
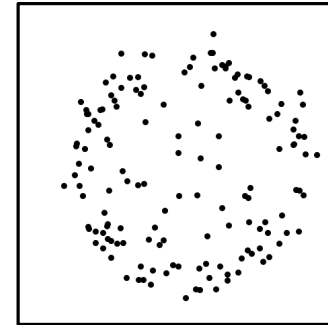
Normal bundle of the torus



Normal bundle of the Klein bottle



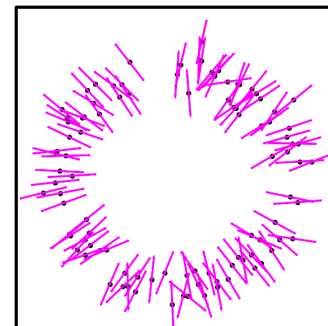
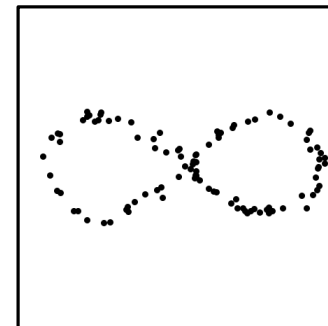
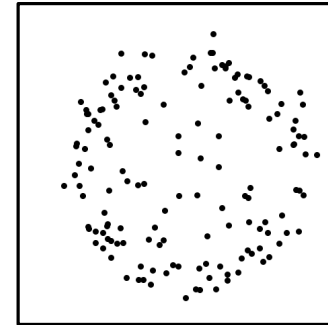
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