# Confidence Band for Persistent Homology

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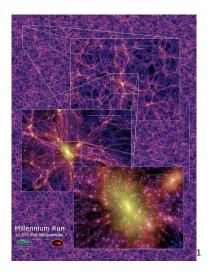
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### Background

Confidence band for Persistent Homology of KDEs computed on a grid

Confidence band for Persistent Homology of KDEs computed on Rips complexes

Geometric structures in the data provide information.



 $<sup>^{1}{\</sup>rm http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/galform/virgo/millennium/poster\_half.jpg}$ 

The number of holes is used to summarize geometrical features.

- ► Geometrical objects :
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- ▶ The number of holes of different dimensions is considered.
  - 1.  $\beta_0 = \#$  of connected components
  - 2.  $\beta_1 = \#$  of loops (holes inside 1-dim sphere)
  - 3.  $\beta_2 = \#$  of voids (holes inside 2-dim sphere) : if  $\dim \ge 3$

# Example: Objects are classified by homologies.

1.  $\beta_0 = \#$  of connected components



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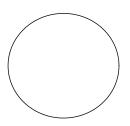
$\beta_0 \setminus \beta_1$	0	1	2
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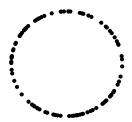
Homology of finite sample is different from homology of underlying manifold, hence it cannot be directly used for the inference.

- ▶ When analyzing data, we prefer robust features where features of the underlying manifold can be inferred from features of finite samples.
- ► Homology is not robust:

Underlying circle:  $\beta_0 = 1$ ,  $\beta_1 = 1$ 

100 samples:  $\beta_0 = 100$ ,  $\beta_1 = 0$ 

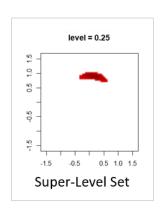


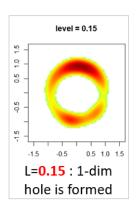


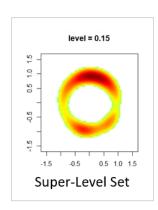
We rely on the kernel density estimator to extract topological information of the underlying distribution.

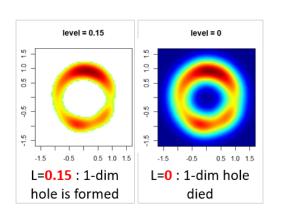
► The kernel density estimator is

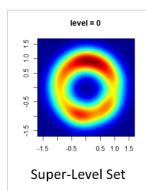
$$\hat{\rho}_h(x) = \frac{1}{nh^d} \sum_{i=1}^n K\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h}\right).$$

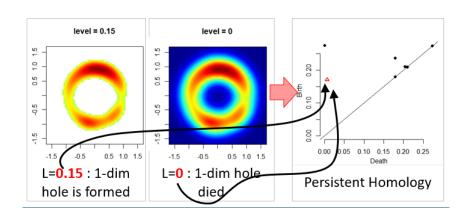




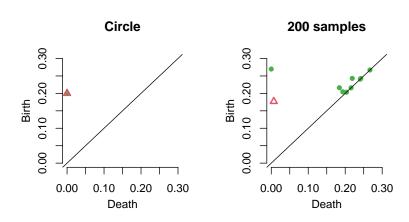




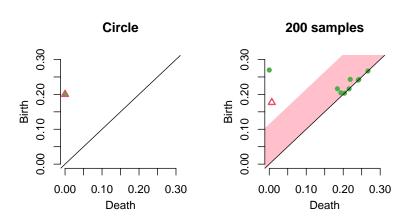




Persistent homology of the underlying manifold can be inferred from persistent homology of finite samples.



Confidence band for persistent homology separates homological signal from homological noise.



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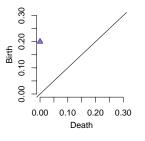
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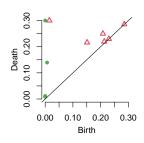
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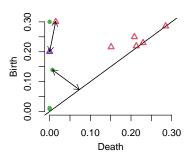
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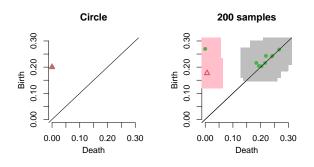
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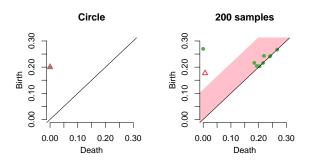
$$\mathbb{P}\left(\textit{Dgm}(\textit{f}_{\textit{M}}) \in \{\mathcal{P}: \textit{d}_{\textit{B}}(\mathcal{P},\textit{Dgm}(\textit{f}_{\textit{X}})) \leq \textit{c}_{\textit{n}}\}\right) \geq 1 - \alpha.$$



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# Confidence band for the persistent homology can be computed using the bootstrap algorithm.

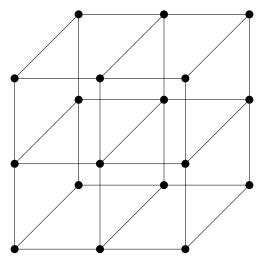
- 1. Given a sample  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , compute the kernel density estimator  $\hat{p}_h$ .
- 2. Draw  $X^* = \{x_1^*, \dots, x_n^*\}$  from  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  (with replacement), and compute  $\theta^* = \sqrt{nh^d}||\hat{p}_h^*(x) \hat{p}_h(x)||_{\infty}$ , where  $\hat{p}_h^*$  is the density estimator computed using  $X^*$ .
- 3. Repeat the previous step B times to obtain  $\theta_1^*, \dots, \theta_B^*$
- 4. Compute  $\hat{z}_{\alpha} = \inf \left\{ q : \frac{1}{B} \sum_{j=1}^{B} I(\theta_{j}^{*} \geq q) \leq \alpha \right\}$
- 5. The (1  $-\alpha$ ) confidence band for  $\mathbb{E}[p_h]$  is  $\left[\hat{p}_h \frac{\hat{z}_{\alpha}}{\sqrt{nh^d}}, \, \hat{p}_h + \frac{\hat{z}_{\alpha}}{\sqrt{nh^d}}\right]$ .

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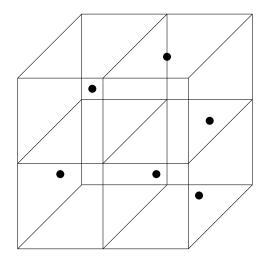
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Computing a confidence band for the persistent homology incurs computing on a grid of points, which is infeasible in high dimensional space.

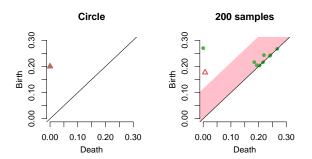


Computing the persistent homology of density function on data points reduces computational complexity.



How can we compute a confidence band for the persistent homology with computation on data points?

► (Shin, Kim, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2020?) : extending work from Fasy et al. [2014], Bobrowski et al. [2014], Chazal et al. [2011].



# We are considering the upper level set of the average KDE on the support.

Let  $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim P$ , then the average kernel density estimator (KDE) is

$$p_h(x) = \mathbb{E}_P[\hat{p}_h(x)] = \frac{1}{h^d} \mathbb{E}_P\left[K\left(\frac{x-X}{h}\right)\right].$$

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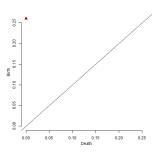
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and targeting its persistent homology  $PH_*^{\text{supp}(P)}(p_h)$ .



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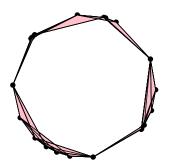


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▶ Given the KDE  $\hat{p}_h$  and for  $\mathcal{X}_n = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ , we consider the Vietoris-Rips complex generated from the level set of the  $\hat{p}_h$  as

$$\left\{\mathrm{Rips}\left(\mathcal{X}_{n,L}^{\hat{\rho}_h},r\right)\right\}_{L>0}, \text{ where } \mathcal{X}_{n,L}^{\hat{\rho}_h}=\left\{X_i\in\mathcal{X}_n:\,\hat{\rho}_h(X_i)\geq L\right\}.$$

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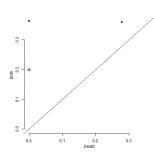
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and denote the persistent homology as  $PH_*^R(\hat{p}_h, r)$ .



We estimate the target level set by Vietoris-Rips complexes from the KDE level sets.

► We approximate the target level set

$$\{D_L\}_{L>0}$$
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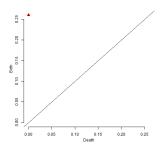
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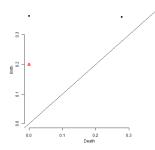
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$$PH_*^{\operatorname{supp}(P)}(p_h),$$

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The persistent homology of the KDE filtration on Vietoris-Rips complexes is consistent.

#### **Theorem**

(Theorem 14, Corollary 15) Let 
$$\{r_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$$
 and  $\{h_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be satisfying  $r_n=\Omega\left(\left(\frac{\log n}{n}\right)^{1/d}\right)$ ,  $r_n=o(1)$ , and  $\frac{\log(1/h_n)}{nh_n^d}=O(1)$ . Then 
$$d_B\left(PH_*^R(\hat{p}_{h_n},r_n),PH_*^{supp(P)}(p_{h_n})\right)=O_P\left(\sqrt{\frac{\log(1/h_n)}{nh_n^d}}+\|r_n\|_{\infty}\right).$$

## Confidence band

An asymptotic  $1 - \alpha$  confidence band  $c_n$  is a random variable satisfying

$$\mathbb{P}(d_{B}\left(PH_{*}^{\operatorname{supp}(P)}(p_{h_{n}}),\,PH_{*}^{R}(\hat{p}_{h_{n}},r_{n})\right)\leq c_{n})\geq 1-\alpha+o(1).$$

Confidence band for the persistent homology of the KDE filtration.

## Theorem

(Theorem 18)

$$\mathbb{P}\left(d_{B}\left(PH_{*}^{supp(P)}(p_{h_{n}}),\ PH_{*}^{R}(\hat{p}_{h_{n}},r_{n})\right) \leq \frac{\hat{z}_{\alpha}}{\sqrt{nh^{d}}} + \hat{c}\right) \geq 1 - \alpha + o(1),$$

where  $\hat{z}_{\alpha}$  is from the bootstrap algorithm and  $\hat{c}$  is computed from data points.

Thank you!

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# Confidence set for the persistent homology of the KDE filtration.

Since covering condition is not verifiable, we instead consider the threshold where the covering is satisfied, i.e. consider  $\epsilon > 0$  satisfying

$$\{x: \hat{p}_h(x) \geq \epsilon\} \subset \bigcup_i \mathbb{B}_{\mathbb{R}^d}(X_i, r).$$

► Set

$$\mathcal{E}_r = \left\{ \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+ : \left\{ x : \hat{p}_h(x) \geq \epsilon \right\} \subset \bigcup_i \mathbb{B}_{\mathbb{R}^d}(X_i, r) \right\},$$

and let

$$\hat{c}_r = \inf\{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_r\} \lor \max_i \sup_{x \in \mathbb{B}_{pd}(X_i, r_i)} |\hat{\rho}_h(X_i) - \hat{\rho}_h(x)|.$$

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▶ We let the confidence set as the ball centered at  $PH_*^R(\hat{p}_{h_n}, r_n)$  and radius  $\frac{\hat{z}_{\alpha}}{\sqrt{nh^d}} + \hat{c}_r \vee \hat{c}_{2r}$ , i.e.

$$\hat{C}_{\alpha} = \left\{\mathcal{P}:,\, d_{B}\left(\mathcal{P}, PH_{*}^{R}(\hat{\rho}_{h_{n}}, r_{n})\right) \leq \frac{\hat{z}_{\alpha}}{\sqrt{nh^{d}}} + \hat{c}_{r} \vee \hat{c}_{2r}\right\}.$$

This is a valid confidence set by the following theorem.

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