

Statistical Inference For Geometric and Topological Data

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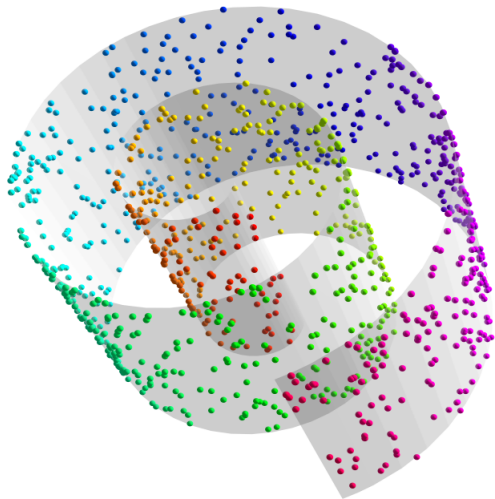
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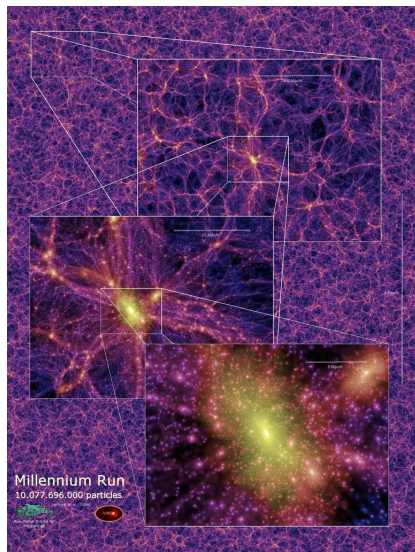
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The curse of dimensionality from the high dimensional data is mitigated when there is a low dimensional geometric and topological structure.



¹<http://www.skybluetrades.net/blog/posts/2011/10/30/machine-learning/>

Geometric and topological structures in the data provide information.



²http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/galform/virgo/millennium/poster_half.jpg

Statistic Inference for Geometric and Topological Data is explored.

- ▶ Minimax Rates for Geometric Parameters of a Manifold
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 - ▶ The Origin of the Reach: Better Understanding Regularity Through Minimax Estimation Theory (Aamari, Kim, Chazal, Michel, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2019)
- ▶ Statistical Inference For Homological Features
 - ▶ Statistical Inference for Cluster Trees (Kim, Chen, Balakrishnan, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2016)
- ▶ Statistical Inference for Persistent Homology
 - ▶ Statistical inference on persistent homology of KDE filtration on Vietoris-Rips complex (Shin, Kim, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2024?)

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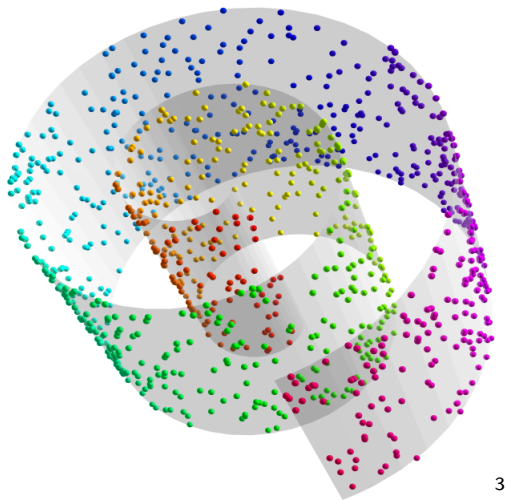
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A manifold is a low dimensional geometric structure that locally resembles Euclidean space.



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The maximum risk of an estimator is its worst expected error.

- ▶ the maximum risk of an estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ is the worst expected error that the estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ can make.



$$\sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\ell \left(\hat{\theta}_n(X), \theta(P) \right) \right]$$

- ▶ $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is drawn from a fixed distribution P , where P is contained in set of distributions \mathcal{P} .
- ▶ estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ is any function of data X .
- ▶ The loss function $\ell(\cdot, \cdot)$ measures the error of the estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$.

The minimax rate describes the statistical difficulty of estimating a parameter.

- ▶ The minimax rate R_n is the risk of an estimator that performs best in the worst case, as a function of sample size.



$$R_n = \inf_{\hat{\theta}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\ell \left(\hat{\theta}_n(X), \theta(P) \right) \right]$$

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We measure the statistical difficulty of estimating geometric parameters of a manifold by their minimax rate.

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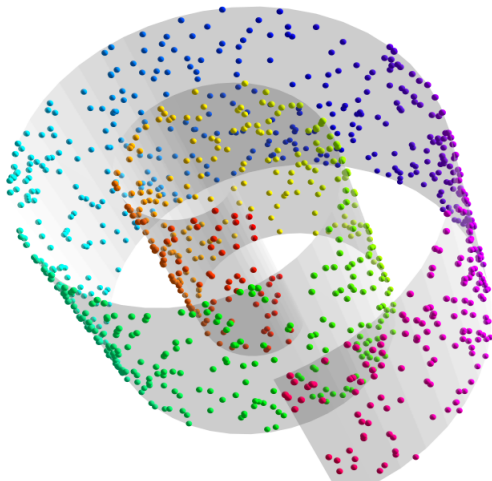
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The intrinsic dimension of a manifold needs to be estimated a priori to the manifold learning.

- ▶ Most manifold learning algorithms require the intrinsic dimension of the manifold as input.
- ▶ The intrinsic dimension is rarely known in advance and therefore has to be estimated.



Minimax rate for estimating the dimension



$$R_n = \inf_{\hat{\dim}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[1 \left(\hat{\dim}_n(X) \neq \dim(P) \right) \right]$$

- ▶ $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is drawn from a fixed distribution P , where P is contained in set of distributions \mathcal{P} .
- ▶ estimator $\hat{\dim}_n$ is any function of data X .
- ▶ 0 – 1 loss function is considered, so for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, $\ell(x, y) = 1(x \neq y)$.

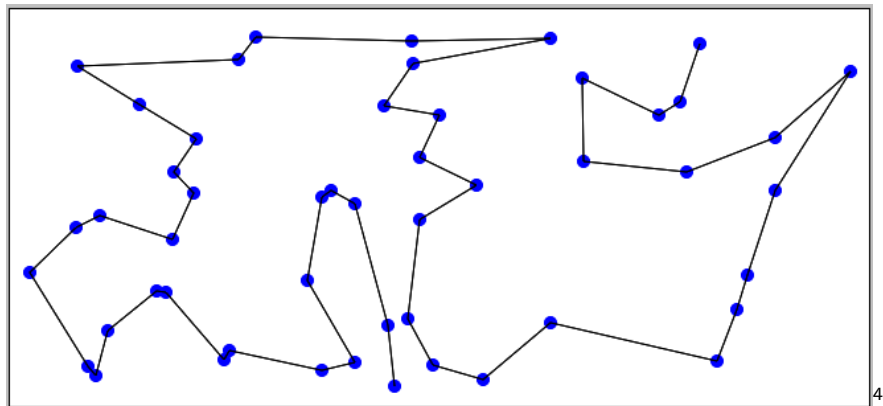
Minimax rate for estimating the dimension: we first consider dimension d_1 vs d_2 .



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- ▶ $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is drawn from a fixed distribution P , where P is contained in set of distributions $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}^{d_1} \cup \mathcal{P}^{d_2}$, where \mathcal{P}^d is a set of d -dimensional distributions..
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TSP(Travelling Salesman Problem) Path Finds Shortest Path that Visits Each Points exactly Once.



⁴<http://www.heatonresearch.com/fun/tsp/anneal>

Our Estimator estimates Dimension to be d_2 if d_1 -squared Length of TSP Generated by the Data is Long.

- ▶ When intrinsic dimension is higher, length of TSP path is likely to be longer.
- ▶

$$\hat{\dim}_n(X) = d_1 \iff \min_{\sigma \in S_n} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \|X_{\sigma(i+1)} - X_{\sigma(i)}\|_{\mathbb{R}^m}^{d_1} \leq C,$$

where C is some constant.

Minimax rate for estimating the dimension

Theorem

(Proposition 16 and 17)

$$n^{-2n} \lesssim \inf_{\hat{\dim}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\mathbf{1} \left(\hat{\dim}_n(X) \neq \dim(P) \right) \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{1}{m-1}n}.$$

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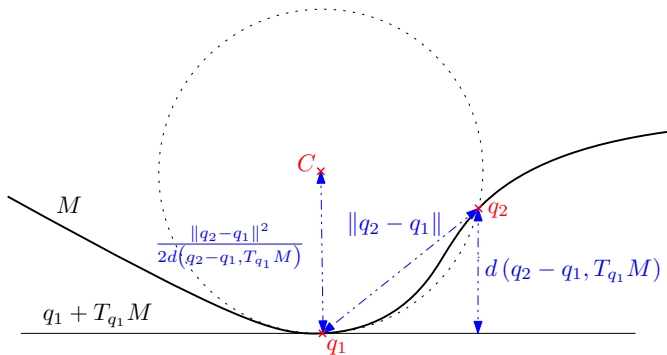
The reach is the maximum radius of a ball that can roll over the manifold.

Definition

When $M \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ is a manifold, the reach of M , denoted by $\tau(M)$, can be defined as

$$\tau(M) = \inf_{q_2 \neq q_1 \in M} \frac{\|q_2 - q_1\|_2^2}{2d(q_2 - q_1, T_{q_1} M)},$$

where $T_a M$ is the tangent space of M at a .



The reach is a regularity parameter in many geometrical inference problem.

- ▶ The reach is a key parameter in:
 - ▶ Dimension estimation
 - ▶ Homology inference
 - ▶ Volume estimation
 - ▶ Manifold clustering
 - ▶ Diffusion maps

Minimax rate for estimating the reach



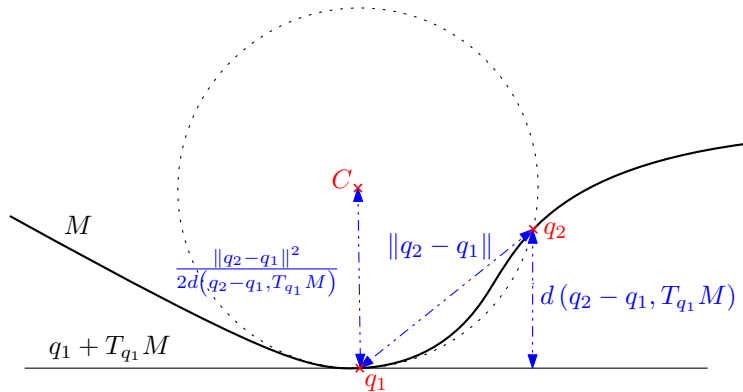
$$R_n = \inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right]$$

- ▶ $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is drawn from a fixed distribution P , where P is contained in set of distributions \mathcal{P} .
- ▶ estimator $\hat{\tau}_n$ is any function of data X .
- ▶ inverse l_q loss function is considered, so for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $\ell(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right|^q$.

We define the reach estimator $\hat{\tau}_n$ as the maximum radius of a ball that you can roll over the point cloud.

- Given observation $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, then the reach estimator $\hat{\tau}_n$ is a plugin estimator as

$$\hat{\tau}_n(X) = \inf_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq n} \frac{\|X_j - X_i\|_2^2}{2d(X_j - X_i, T_{X_i}M)}$$



Minimax rate for estimating the reach

Theorem

(Theorem 5.1 and Proposition 5.6)

$$n^{-\frac{q}{d}} \lesssim \inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{2q}{3d-1}}.$$

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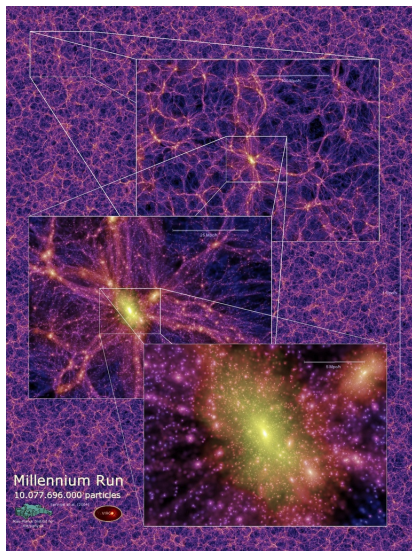
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Topological holes in the data provide information.



Example : Objects are classified by homologies.

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

2. $\beta_1 = \#$ of loops ○

$\beta_0 \setminus \beta_1$	0	1	2
1	ㄱ, ㄴ, ㄷ, ㄹ, ㅅ, ㅇ, ㅋ, ㅌ	ㅁ, ㅂ, ㅅ, ㅇ, ㅈ, ㅊ	ㅊ
2	ㅅ, ㅈ		
3		ㅈ	

Statistical inference for homological features.

- ▶ Statistical Inference for Cluster Trees (Kim, Chen, Balakrishnan, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2016)

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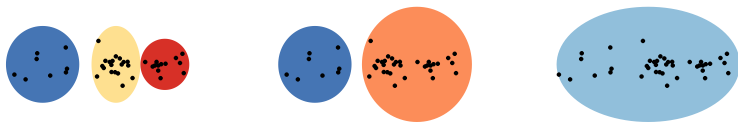
We want to cluster data.

- ▶ Statistical Inference for Cluster Trees (Kim, Chen, Balakrishnan, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2016)



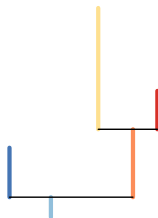
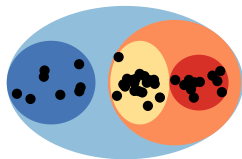
Different clusters can be formed by the desired level of resolution.

- ▶ Statistical Inference for Cluster Trees (Kim, Chen, Balakrishnan, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2016)
- ▶ If you want clusters to describe local and detailed information (high resolution), there will be more clusters with each of smaller sizes.
- ▶ If you want clusters to describe global and rough information (low resolution), there will be less clusters with each of larger sizes.



The network of clusters forms a tree: cluster tree

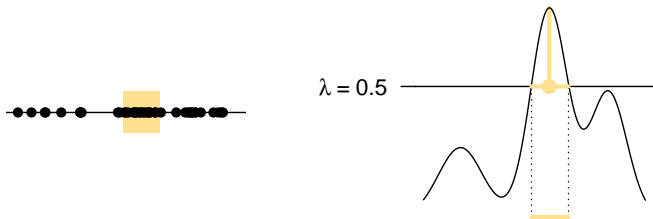
- ▶ Statistical Inference for Cluster Trees (Kim, Chen, Balakrishnan, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2016)
- ▶ Clusters from different levels of resolution have a natural network by inclusion relation.
- ▶ Inclusion network of clusters can be represented as a tree: cluster tree.



The cluster tree is the hierarchy of the high density clusters.

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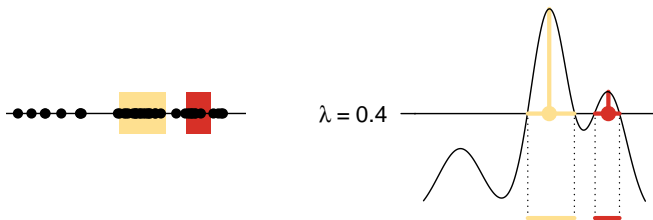
For a density function ρ , its cluster tree $T_\rho : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$ is a function where $T_\rho(\lambda)$ is the set of connected components of the upper level set $\{x \in \mathcal{X} : \rho(x) \geq \lambda\}$.



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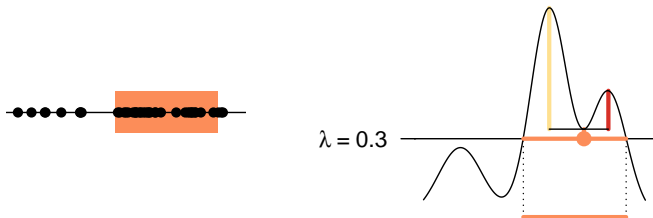
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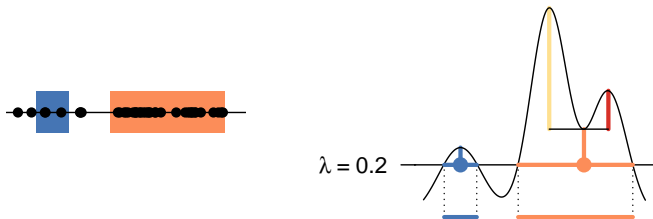
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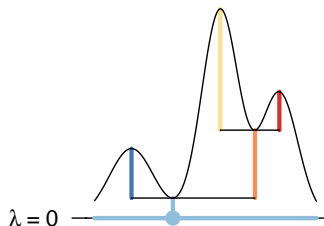
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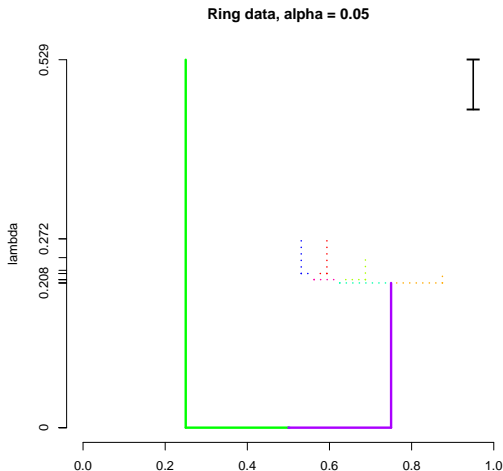
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A confidence set helps denoising the empirical tree.

- ▶ An asymptotic $1 - \alpha$ confidence set \hat{C}_α is a collection of trees with the property that

$$P(T_p \in \hat{C}_\alpha) = 1 - \alpha + o(1).$$



We use the bootstrap to compute $1 - \alpha$ confidence set \hat{C}_α .

- ▶ We let $T_{\hat{\rho}_h}$ be the cluster tree from the kernel density estimator $\hat{\rho}_h$, where

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

and the confidence set as the ball centered at $T_{\hat{\rho}_h}$ and radius t_α , i.e.

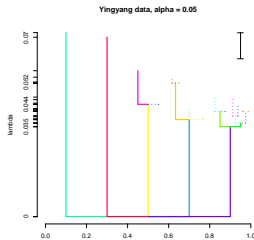
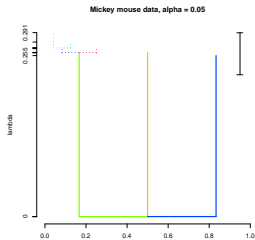
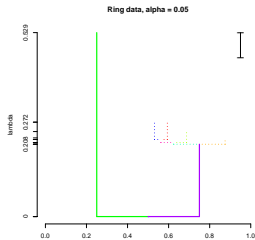
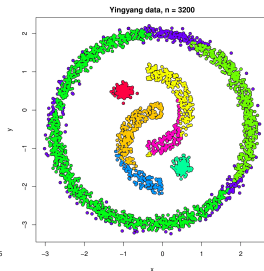
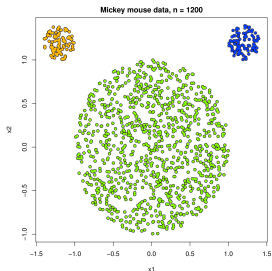
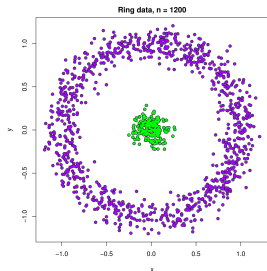
$$\hat{C}_\alpha = \{T : d_\infty(T, T_{\hat{\rho}_h}) \leq t_\alpha\}.$$

Theorem

(Theorem 3) Above confidence set \hat{C}_α satisfies

$$P\left(T_h \in \hat{C}_\alpha\right) = 1 - \alpha + O\left(\left(\frac{\log^7 n}{nh^m}\right)^{1/6}\right).$$

The pruned trees according to the confidence set recover the actual cluster trees.



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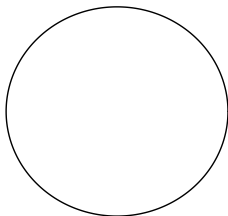
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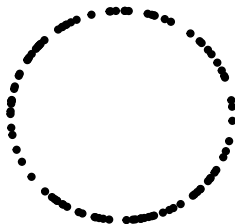
Homology of finite sample is different from homology of underlying manifold, hence it cannot be directly used for the inference.

- ▶ 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:

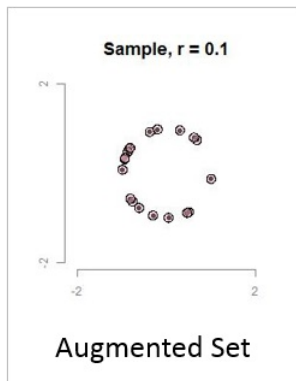
Underlying circle: $\beta_0 = 1, \beta_1 = 1$



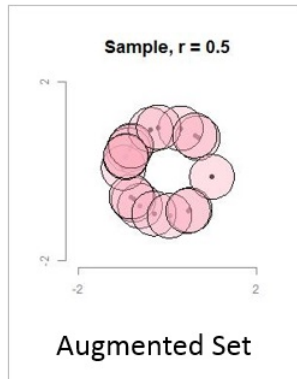
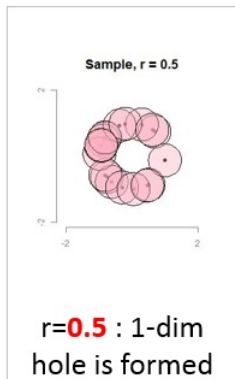
100 samples: $\beta_0 = 100, \beta_1 = 0$



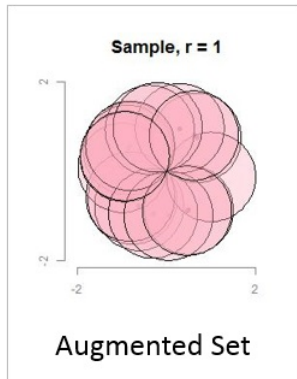
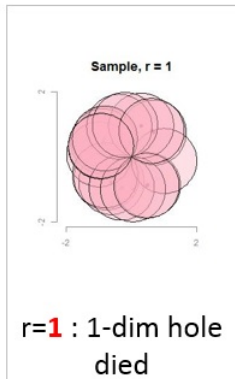
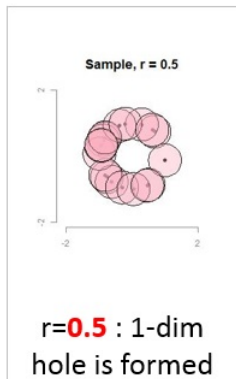
Persistent homology computes homologies on collection of sets, and tracks when topological features are born and when they die.



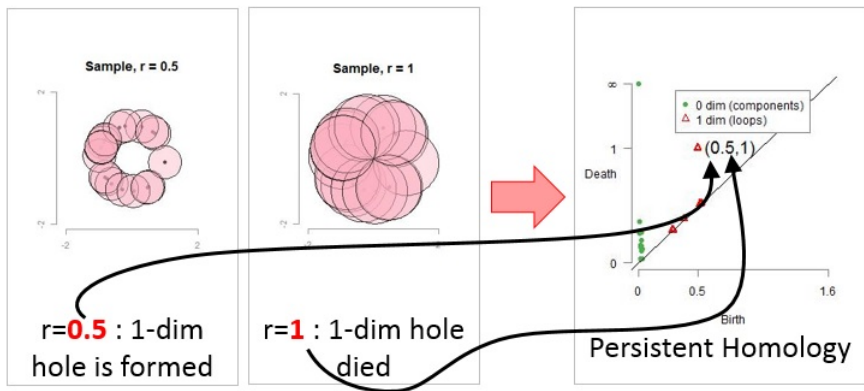
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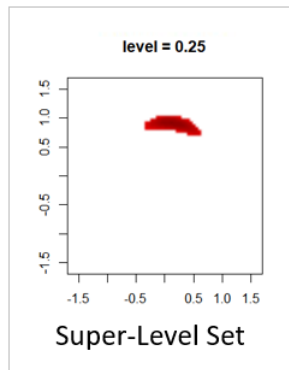


We rely on the kernel density estimator to extract topological information of the underlying distribution.

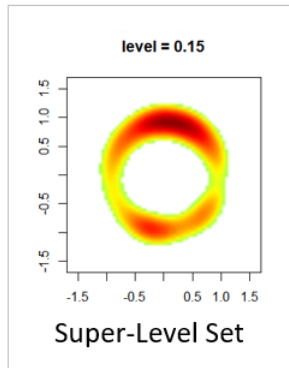
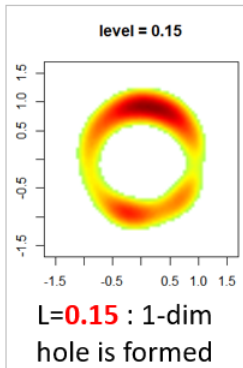
- ▶ The kernel density estimator is

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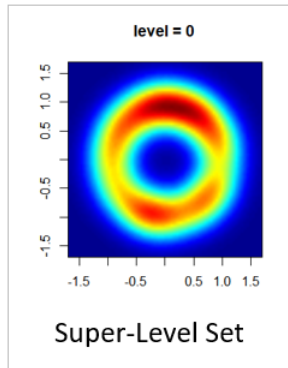
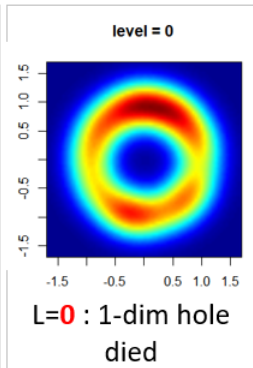
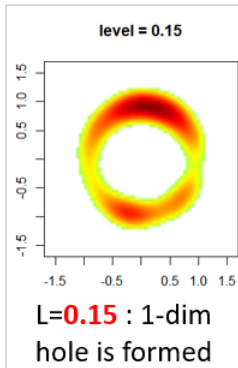
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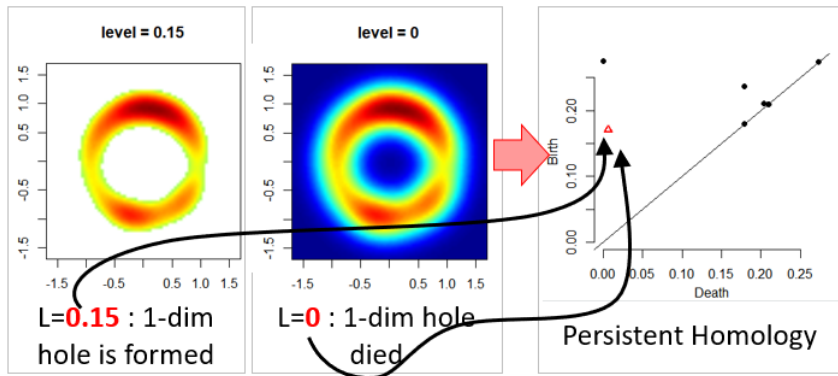
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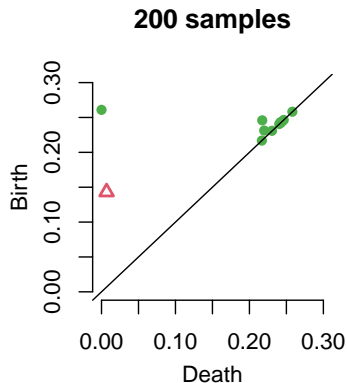
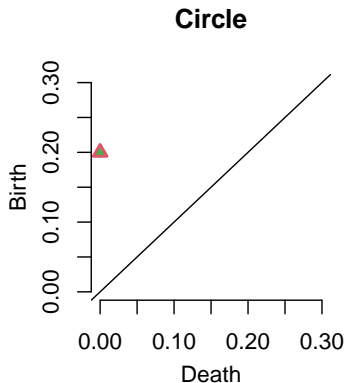
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Persistent homology of the underlying manifold can be inferred from persistent homology of finite samples.



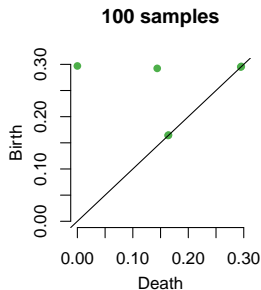
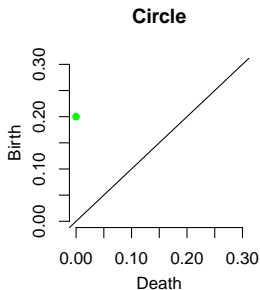
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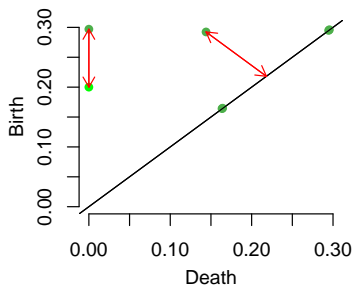
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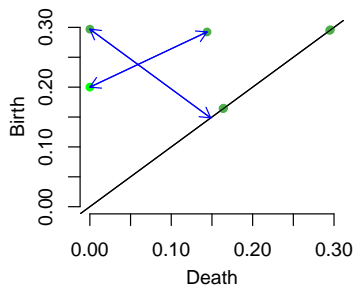
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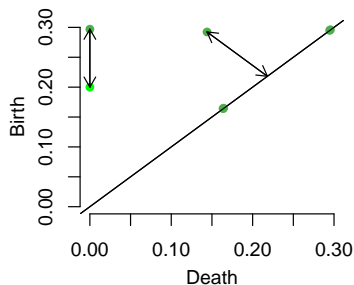
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Bottleneck distance can be controlled by the corresponding distance on functions: Stability Theorem.

Theorem

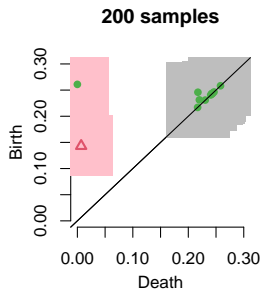
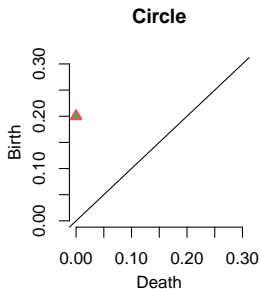
[Edelsbrunner and Harer, 2010][Chazal, de Silva, Glisse, and Oudot, 2012] Let \mathbb{X} be finitely triangulable space and $f, g : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two continuous functions. Let $Dgm(f)$ and $Dgm(g)$ be corresponding persistence diagrams. Then

$$W_{\infty}(Dgm(f), Dgm(g)) \leq \|f - g\|_{\infty}.$$

Confidence band for the persistent homology is a random quantity containing the persistent homology with high probability.

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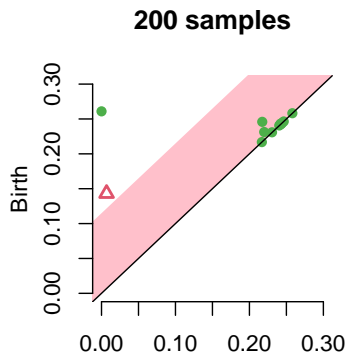
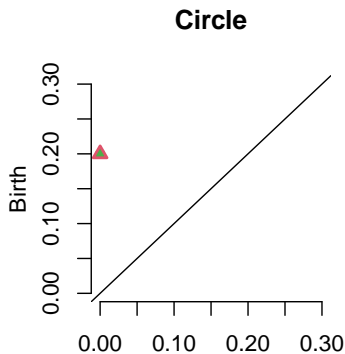
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so the confidence band of corresponding functions f_M can be used for confidence band of persistent homologies $Dgm(f_M)$.

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 $\theta^* = \sqrt{nh^m} \|\hat{p}_h^*(x) - \hat{p}_h(x)\|_\infty$, 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 $\left[\hat{p}_h - \frac{\hat{z}_\alpha}{\sqrt{nh^m}}, \hat{p}_h + \frac{\hat{z}_\alpha}{\sqrt{nh^m}} \right]$.

Statistical inference for persistent homology.

- ▶ Persistent homology of KDE filtration on Vietoris-Rips complex (Shin, Kim, Rinaldo, Wasserman, 2024?)

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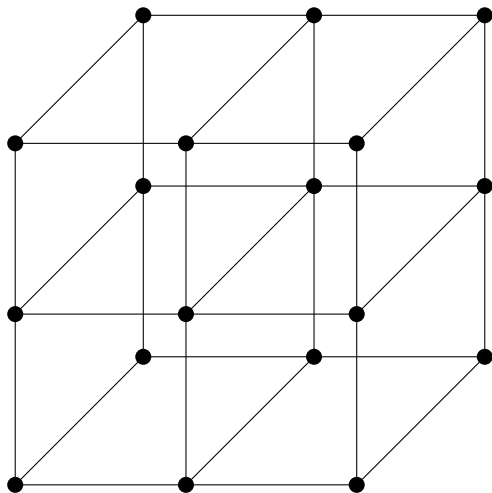
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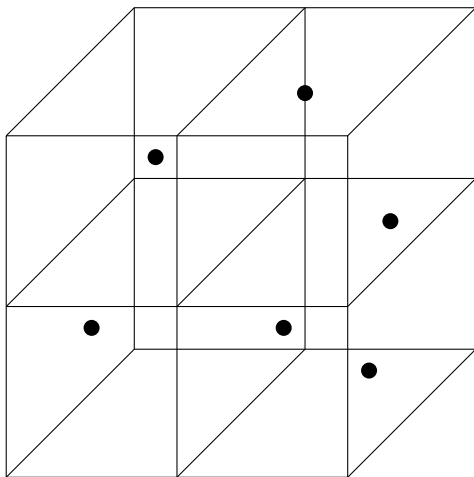
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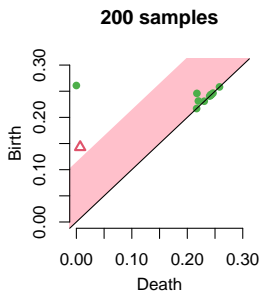
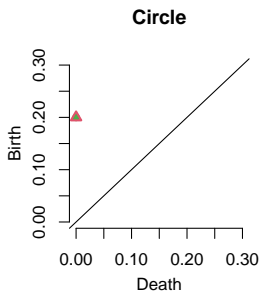


Computing the persistent homology of density function on data points reduces computational complexity.



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].

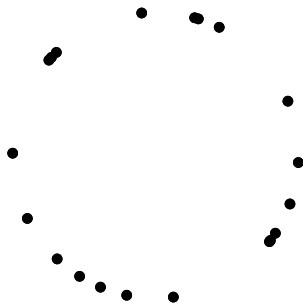


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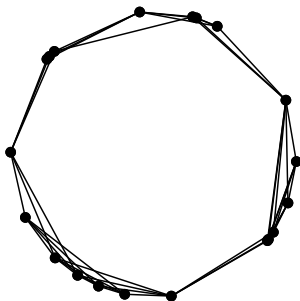


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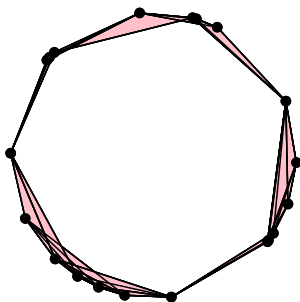


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- ▶ The KDE (kernel density estimator) is

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

- ▶ Our persistent homology estimator $PH_*^R(\hat{\rho}_h, r)$ is built by using the KDE and Vietoris-Rips complexes.

Our persistent homology estimator is consistent.

Theorem

(Theorem 16, Corollary 17) Let $\{r_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\{h_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be satisfying $r_n = \Omega\left(\left(\frac{\log n}{n}\right)^{1/m}\right)$, $r_n = o(1)$, and $\frac{\log(1/h_n)}{nh_n^m} = O(1)$. Then

$$W_\infty(PH_*^R(\hat{p}_{h_n}, r_n), PH_*(p_{h_n})) = O_P\left(\sqrt{\frac{\log(1/h_n)}{nh_n^m}} + \|r_n\|_\infty\right).$$

Confidence set

- ▶ An asymptotic $1 - \alpha$ confidence set \hat{C}_α is a random set of persistent homologies satisfying

$$\mathbb{P}(PH_*(p_{h_n}) \in \hat{C}_\alpha) \geq 1 - \alpha + o(1).$$

Confidence set for our persistent homology estimator.

- ▶ We let the confidence set as the ball centered at $PH_*^R(\hat{p}_{h_n}, r_n)$ and radius \hat{b}_α , i.e.

$$\hat{C}_\alpha = \left\{ \mathcal{D} : W_\infty(\mathcal{D}, PH_*^R(\hat{p}_{h_n}, r_n)) \leq \hat{b}_\alpha \right\}.$$

This is a valid confidence set by the following theorem.

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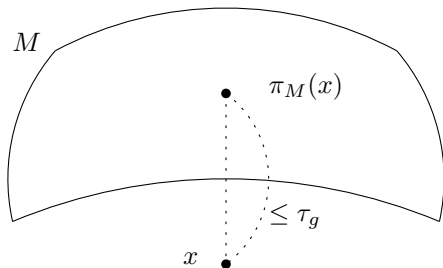
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- ▶ This implies that the distribution on the manifold is of essential dimension d .
- ▶ $\mathcal{P}_{\kappa_l, \kappa_g, K_p}^d$ denotes set of distributions P that is supported on d -dimensional manifold of (global) reach $\geq \tau_g$, local reach $\geq \tau_\ell$, and density is bounded by K_p .

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The Maximum Risk of any chosen Estimator Provides an Upper Bound on the Minimax Rate.

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$$P^{(n)} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \|X_{i+1} - X_i\|^{d_1} \leq L \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{d_2}{d_1} n}.$$

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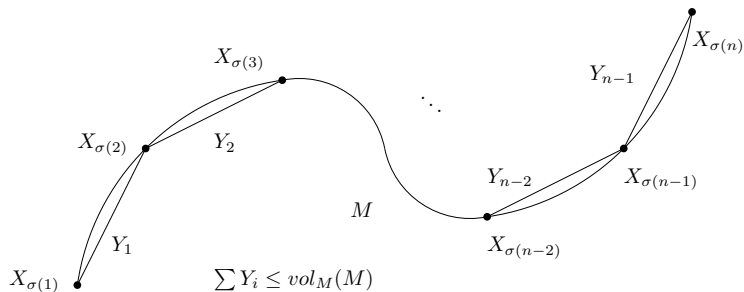
(Lemma 7) Let M be a d_1 -dimensional manifold with global reach $\geq \tau_g$ and local reach $\geq \tau_\ell$, and $X_1, \dots, X_n \in M$. Then there exists C which depends only on m , d_1 and K_I , and there exists $\sigma \in S_n$ such that

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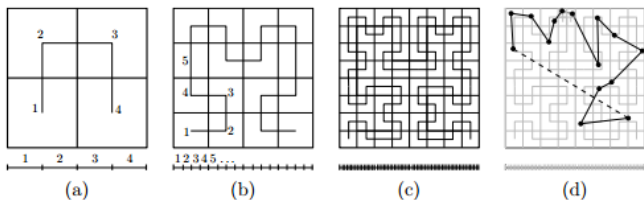


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(Lemma 22, Space-filling curve) There exists surjective map $\psi_d : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ which is Hölder continuous of order $1/d$, i.e.

$$0 \leq \forall s, t \leq 1, \|\psi_d(s) - \psi_d(t)\|_{\mathbb{R}^d} \leq 2\sqrt{d+3}|s - t|^{1/d}.$$

Mimimax rate is upper bounded by $O\left(n^{-\left(\frac{d_2}{d_1}-1\right)n}\right)$.

Proposition

(Proposition 9) Let $1 \leq d_1 < d_2 \leq m$. Then

$$\inf_{\hat{\dim}_n P \in \mathcal{P}^{d_1} \cup \mathcal{P}^{d_2}} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}^{(n)}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\mathbb{1} \left(\hat{\dim}_n(X) \neq \dim(P) \right) \right] \lesssim n^{-\left(\frac{d_2}{d_1}-1\right)n}.$$

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A subset $T \subset [-K_I, K_I]^n$ and set of distributions $\mathcal{P}_1^{d_1}, \mathcal{P}_2^{d_2}$ are found so that, whenever $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \in T$, we cannot distinguish two models.

- ▶ The lower bound measures how hard it is to tell whether the data come from a d_1 or d_2 -dimensional manifold.
- ▶ $T, \mathcal{P}_1^{d_1}$ and $\mathcal{P}_2^{d_2}$ are linked to the lower bound by using Le Cam's lemma.

Le Cam's Lemma provides lower bounds based on the minimum of two densities $q_1 \wedge q_2$, where q_1, q_2 are in convex hull of $\mathcal{P}_1^{d_1}$ and convex hull of $\mathcal{P}_2^{d_2}$, respectively.

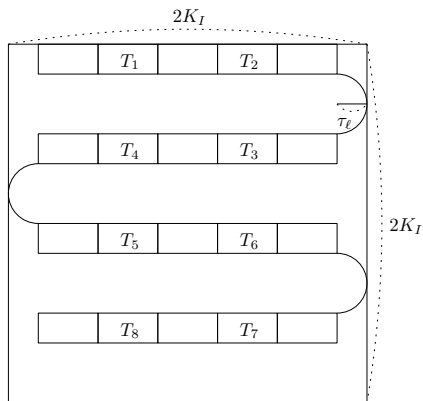
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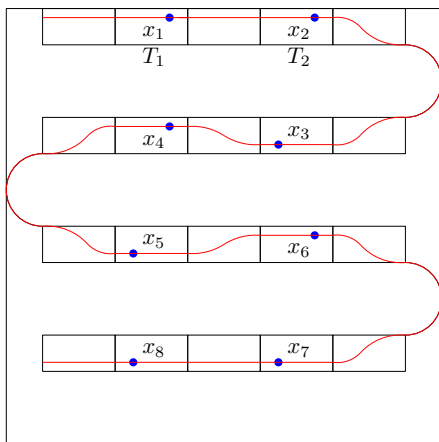
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- ▶ T_i 's are cylinder sets in $[-K_I, K_I]^{d_2}$, and then T is constructed as $T = S_n \prod_{i=1}^n T_i$, where the permutation group S_n acts on $\prod_{i=1}^n T_i$ as a coordinate change.



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- ▶ Given $x_1, \dots, x_n \in T$ (blue points), manifold of global reach $\geq \tau_g$ and local reach $\geq \tau_\ell$ (red line) passes through x_1, \dots, x_n .



$\mathcal{P}_1^{d_1}$ is constructed as set of distributions that are supported on manifolds that passes through x_1, \dots, x_n for $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in T$, and $\mathcal{P}_2^{d_2}$ is a singleton set consisting of the uniform distribution on $[-K_l, K_l]^{d_2}$.

If $X \in T$, it is hard to determine whether X is sampled from distribution P in either $\mathcal{P}_1^{d_1}$ or $\mathcal{P}_2^{d_2}$.

- ▶ There exists $Q_1 \in \text{co}(\mathcal{P}_1^{d_1})$ and $Q_2 \in \text{co}(\mathcal{P}_2^{d_2})$ such that $q_1(x) \geq Cq_2(x)$ for every $x \in T$ with $C < 1$.
- ▶ Then $q_1(x) \wedge q_2(x) \geq Cq_2(x)$ if $x \in T$, so $C \int_T q_2(x) dx$ can serve as lower bound of minimax rate.
- ▶ Based on following claim:

Claim

(Claim 25) Let $T = S_n \prod_{i=1}^n T_i$. Then for all $x \in \text{int } T$, there exists $C > 0$ that depends only on κ_I , K_I , and $r_x > 0$ such that for all $r < r_x$,

$$Q_1(B(x_i, r)) \geq CQ_2(B(x_i, r)).$$

Mimimax rate is lower bounded by $\Omega \left(n^{-2(d_2-d_1)n} \right)$.

Proposition

(Proposition 14)

$$\inf_{\hat{\dim} P \in \mathcal{P}^{d_1} \cup \mathcal{P}^{d_2}} \sup_{P^{(n)}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\mathbf{1} \left(\hat{\dim}_n(X) \neq \dim(P) \right) \right] \gtrsim n^{-2(d_2-d_1)n}.$$

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Multinary Classification and 0 – 1 Loss are Considered.



$$R_n = \inf_{\hat{\dim}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[1 \left(\hat{\dim}_n(X) \neq \dim(P) \right) \right]$$

- ▶ Now the manifolds are of any dimensions between 1 and m , so considered distribution set is $\mathcal{P} = \bigcup_{d=1}^m \mathcal{P}^d$.
- ▶ 0 – 1 loss function is considered, so for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, $\ell(x, y) = I(x \neq y)$.

Mimimax Rate is Upper Bounded by $O\left(n^{-\frac{1}{m-1}n}\right)$, and Lower Bounded by $\Omega\left(n^{-2n}\right)$.

Proposition

(Proposition 16 and 17)

$$n^{-2n} \lesssim \inf_{\hat{\dim}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} \left[\mathbb{1} \left(\hat{\dim}_n \neq \dim(P) \right) \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{1}{m-1}n}.$$

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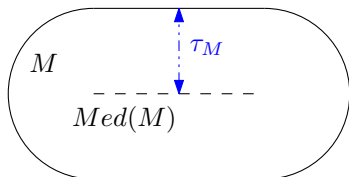
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The medial axis of a set M is the set of points that have at least two nearest neighbors on the set M .



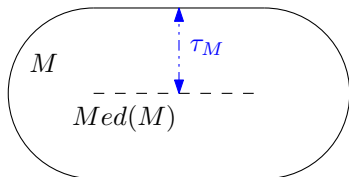
$$\text{Med}(M) = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m : \text{there exists } p \neq q \in M \text{ with} \\ \|p - z\| = \|q - z\| = d(z, M)\}.$$



The reach of M , denoted by τ_M , is the minimum distance from $Med(M)$ to M .



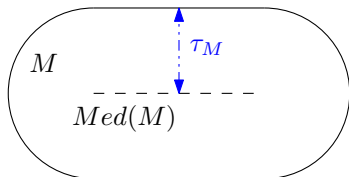
$$\tau_M = \inf_{x \in Med(M), y \in M} \|x - y\|.$$



The reach τ_M gives the maximum offset size of M on which the projection is well defined.



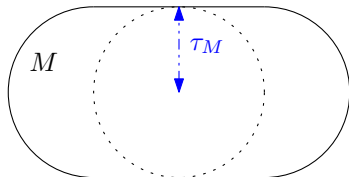
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The reach τ_M gives the maximum radius of a ball that you can roll over M .

- ▶ When $M \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ is a manifold,

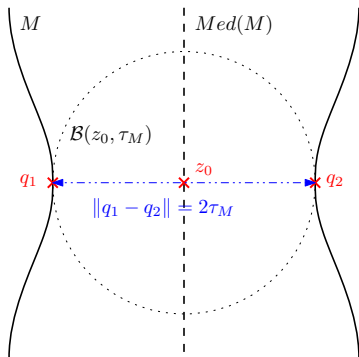
$$\tau_M = \inf_{q_2 \neq q_1 \in M} \frac{\|q_2 - q_1\|^2}{2d(q_2 - q_1, T_{q_1} M)}.$$



The bottleneck is a geometric structure where the manifold is nearly self-intersecting.

Definition

(Definition 3.1) A pair of points (q_1, q_2) in M is said to be a bottleneck of M if there exists $z_0 \in \text{Med}(M)$ such that $q_1, q_2 \in \mathcal{B}(z_0, \tau_M)$ and $\|q_1 - q_2\| = 2\tau_M$.

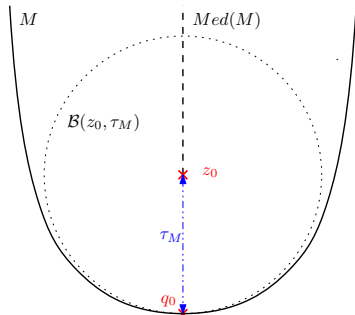
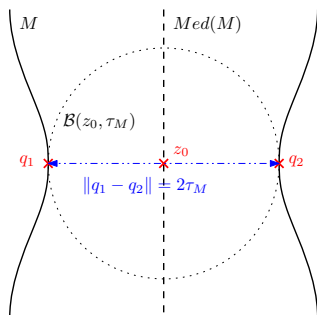


The reach is attained either from the bottleneck (global case) or the area of high curvature (local case).

Theorem

(Theorem 3.4) At least one of the following two assertions holds:

- ▶ (Global Case) M has a bottleneck $(q_1, q_2) \in M^2$.
- ▶ (Local case) There exists $q_0 \in M$ and an arc-length parametrized γ_0 such that $\gamma_0(0) = q_0$ and $\|\gamma_0''(0)\| = \frac{1}{\tau_M}$.



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The statistical efficiency of the reach estimator $\hat{\tau}$ is analyzed through its risk.

- ▶ The risk of the estimator $\hat{\tau}$ is the expected loss the estimator.

$$\mathbb{E}_{P^{(n)}} [\ell(\hat{\tau}(\mathcal{X}), \tau_M)].$$

- ▶ $\mathcal{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is drawn from a fixed distribution P with its support M .
- ▶ The loss function used is $\ell(\tau, \tau') = \left| \frac{1}{\tau} - \frac{1}{\tau'} \right|^p$, $p \geq 1$.

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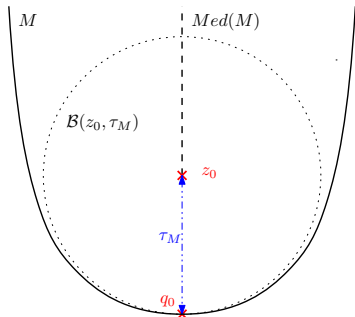
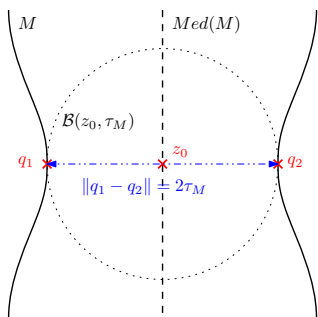
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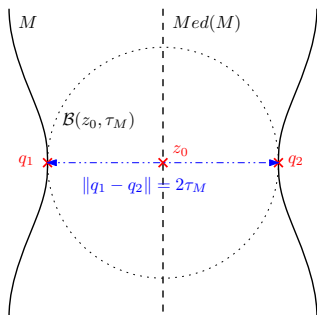


The reach estimator has the maximum risk of $O\left(n^{-\frac{q}{d}}\right)$ for the global case.

Proposition

(Proposition 4.3) Assume that the support M has a bottleneck. Then,

$$\mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau_M} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}(\mathcal{X})} \right|^q \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{q}{d}}.$$

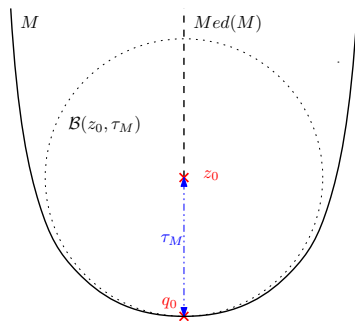


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Proposition

(Proposition 4.7) Suppose there exists $q_0 \in M$ and a geodesic γ_0 with $\gamma_0(0) = q_0$ and $\|\gamma_0''(0)\| = \frac{1}{\tau_M}$. Then,

$$\mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau_M} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}(\mathcal{X})} \right|^q \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{2q}{3d-1}}.$$



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- ▶ Minimax rate is the risk of an estimator that performs best in the worst case, as a function of sample size.



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The maximum risk of our estimator provides an upper bound on the minimax rate.

$$\begin{aligned} R_n &= \inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right] \\ &\leq \underbrace{\sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}(X)} \right|^q \right]}_{\text{the maximum risk of our estimator}} \end{aligned}$$

Minimax rate is upper bounded by $O\left(n^{-\frac{2q}{3d-1}}\right)$.

Theorem

(Theorem 5.1)

$$\inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right] \lesssim n^{-\frac{2q}{3d-1}}.$$

Le Cam's lemma provides a lower bound based on the reach difference and the statistical difference of two distributions.

- ▶ Total variance distance between two distributions is defined as

$$TV(P, P') = \sup_{A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^D)} |P(A) - P'(A)|.$$

Lemma

(Lemma 5.2) Let $P, P' \in \mathcal{P}$ with respective supports M and M' . Then

$$\inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right] \gtrsim \left| \frac{1}{\tau(M)} - \frac{1}{\tau(M')} \right|^q (1 - TV(P, P'))^{2n}.$$

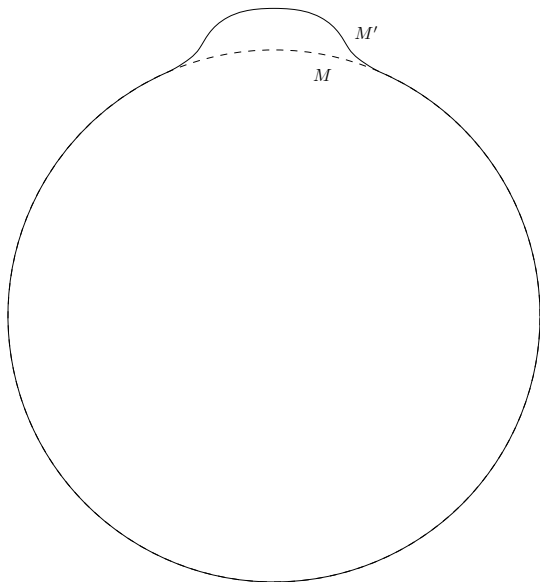
Two distributions P, P' are found so that their reaches differ but they are statistically difficult to distinguish.



$$\inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau_M} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n} \right|^q \right] \gtrsim \left| \frac{1}{\tau_M} - \frac{1}{\tau_{M'}} \right|^q (1 - TV(P, P'))^{2n}.$$

- ▶ The lower bound measures how hard it is to tell whether the data is from distributions with different reaches.
- ▶ P and P' are found so that $\left| \frac{1}{\tau_M} - \frac{1}{\tau_{M'}} \right|^q$ is large while $(1 - TV(P, P'))^{2n}$ is small.

P is a distribution supported on a sphere while P' is a distribution supported on a bumped sphere.



Mimimax rate is lower bounded by $\Omega\left(n^{-\frac{p}{d}}\right)$.

Proposition

(Proposition 5.6)

$$\inf_{\hat{\tau}_n} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \mathbb{E}_{P^n} \left[\left| \frac{1}{\tau(P)} - \frac{1}{\hat{\tau}_n(X)} \right|^q \right] \gtrsim n^{-\frac{q}{d}}.$$

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We can use l_∞ metric to measure a distance between trees.

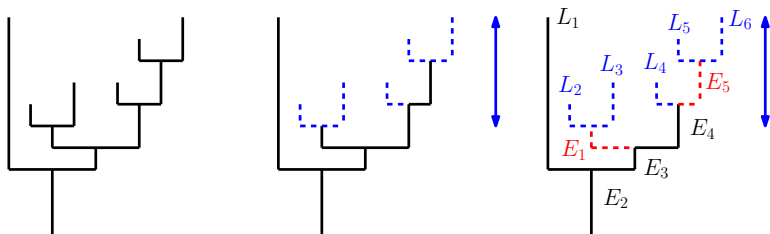
Definition

The l_∞ metric between trees are defined as

$$d_\infty(T_p, T_q) = \sup |p(x) - q(x)|.$$

Pruning finds the simpler trees that are in the confidence set.

- ▶ We propose two pruning schemes to find trees that are simpler the empirical tree $T_{\hat{\rho}_h}$ and are in the confidence set.
 - ▶ Pruning only leaves: remove all leaves of length less than $2t_\alpha$.
 - ▶ Pruning leaves and internal branches: iteratively remove all branches of cumulative length less than $2t_\alpha$.



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We are considering the upper level set of the average kernel density estimator on the support.

- ▶ Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim P$, then the average kernel density estimator is

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

- ▶ We are considering the upper level sets of the average kernel density estimator

$$\{D_L\}_{L>0}, \text{ where } D_L := \{x \in \text{supp}(P) : p_h(x) \geq L\}.$$

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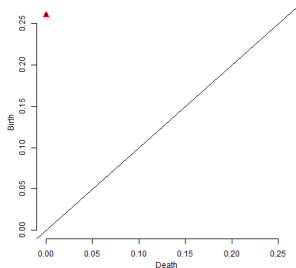
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We are targeting the persistent homology of the upper level set of the average kernel density estimator on the support.

- ▶ We are considering the upper level sets of the average KDE

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



We estimate the target level set by considering the Vietoris-Rips complex generated from the level set of the KDE.

- ▶ For $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ and $r > 0$, the Vietoris-Rips complex $\text{Rips}(\mathcal{X}, r)$ is defined as

$$\text{Rips}(\mathcal{X}, r) = \{\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \subset \mathcal{X} : d(x_i, x_j) < 2r, \text{ for all } 1 \leq i, j \leq k\}.$$

- ▶ The KDE (kernel density estimator) is

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

- ▶ 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

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

We estimate the target level set by considering the Vietoris-Rips complex generated from the level set of the KDE.

- ▶ For $\mathcal{X}_n = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$, we estimate the target level set by the level sets of the KDE \hat{p}_h on Vietoris-Rips complexes,

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

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

- ▶ We approximate the target level set

$$\{D_L\}_{L>0}, \text{ where } D_L := \{x \in \mathbb{X} : p_h(x) \geq L\},$$

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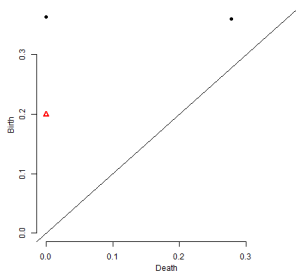
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and denote the persistent homology as $PH_*^R(\hat{\rho}_h, r)$.



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$$PH_*^{\text{supp}(P)}(\rho_h),$$

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