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Topic 3 - Phase 1

Hyperuniformity

Generation of hyperuniform structures and their analysis

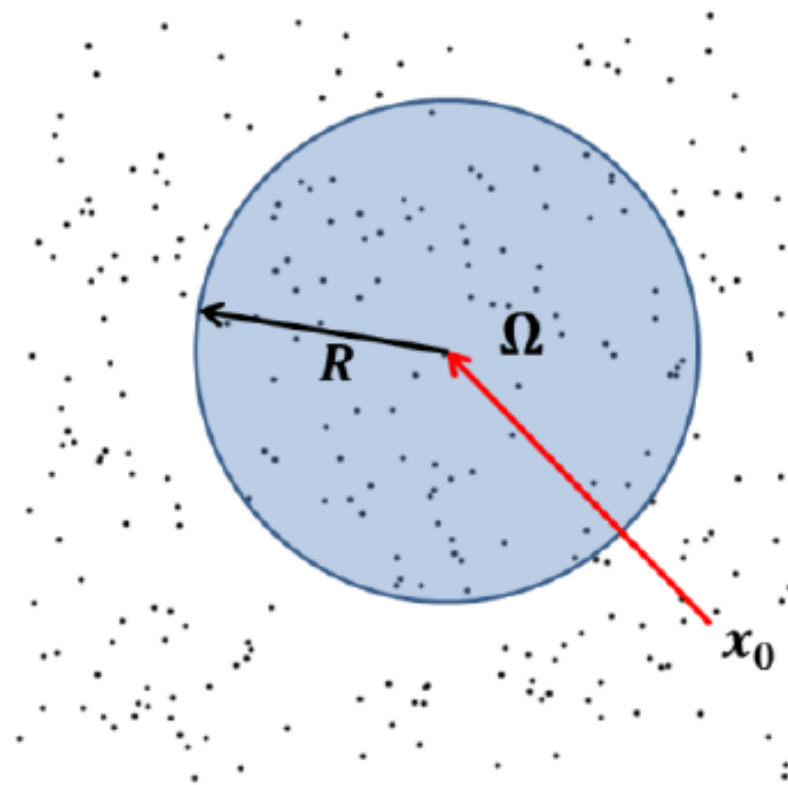
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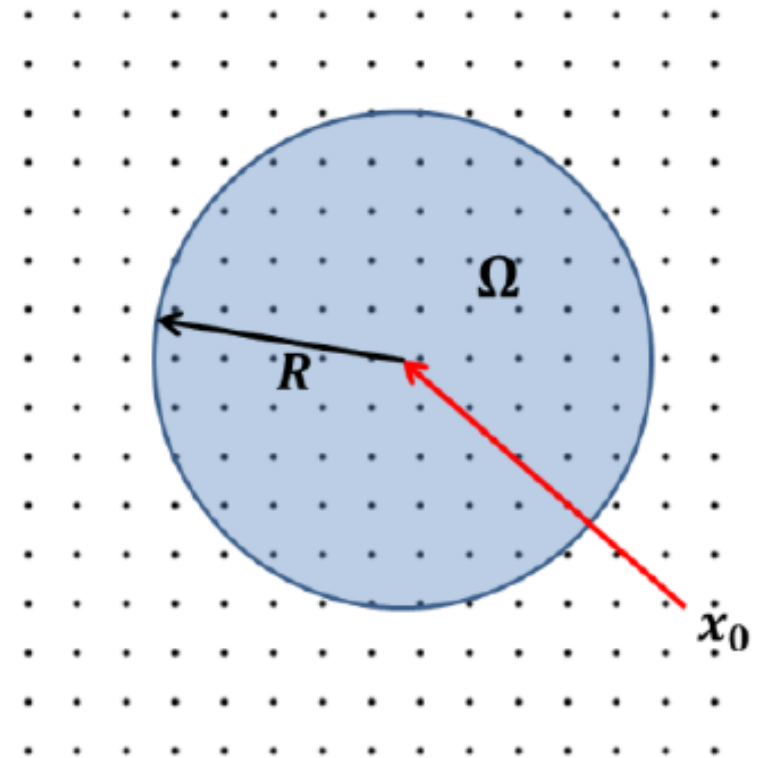
Introduction

Hyperuniform systems are defined by the suppression of density fluctuations over large spatial scales.

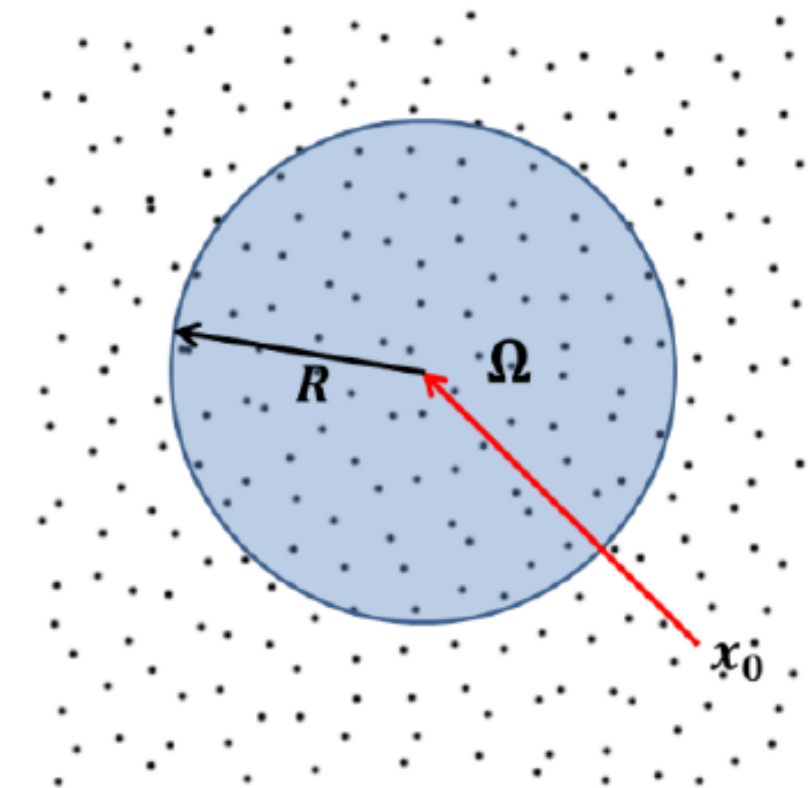
- The number variance inside an observation window grows more slowly than its radius:



$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma_N(r)}{r^d} = \text{const.}$$



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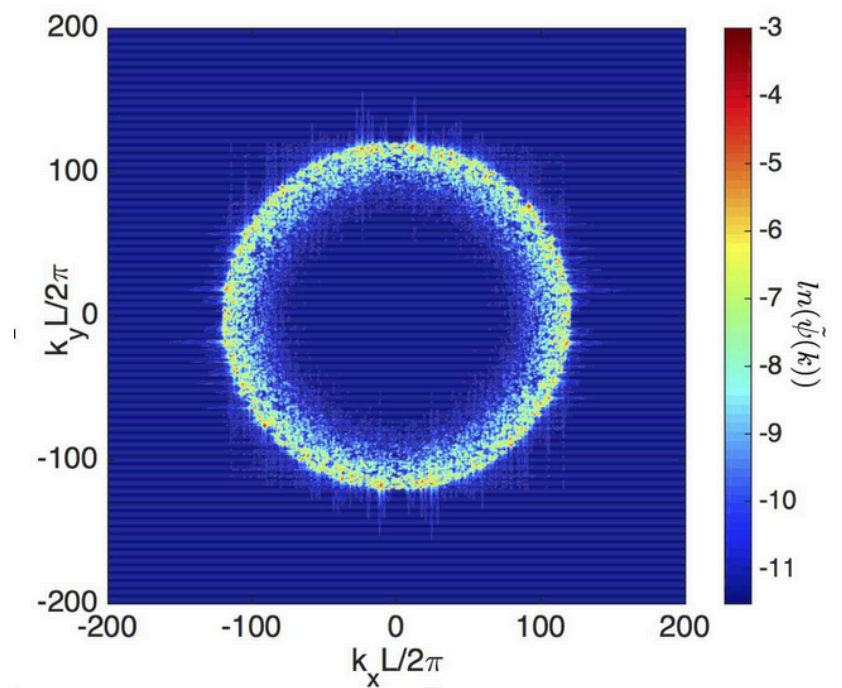
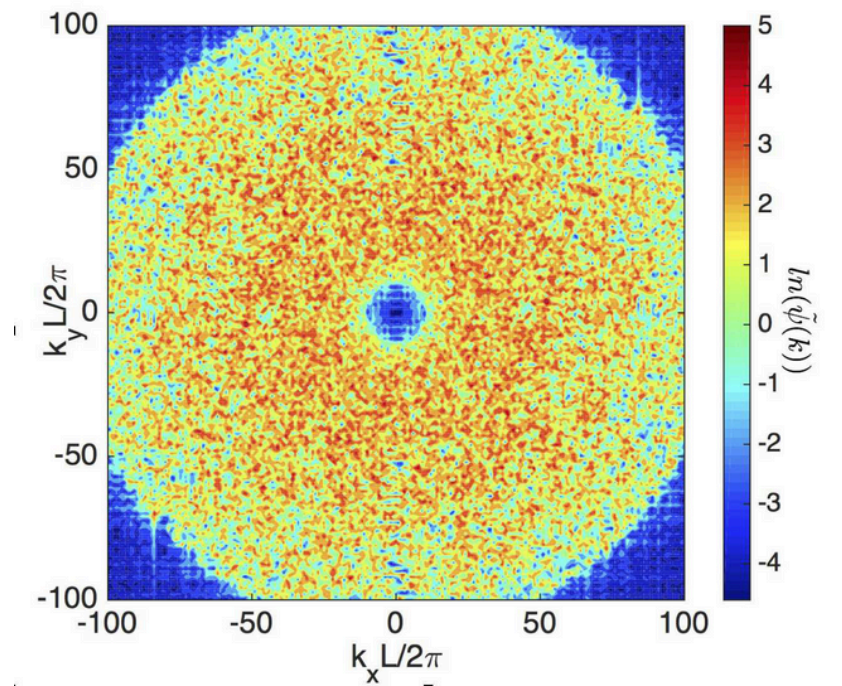
The Structure Factor

- Equivalently, one can derive from internal correlation and fourier transform [Tor18] that hyperuniformity may be characterized by a vanishing structure factor for small wave vectors

$$\lim_{|k| \rightarrow 0} S(k) = 0$$

For a single periodic configuration with a finite number of N points, the structure factor is identical to [Tor18]:

$$S(k) = \frac{1}{N} \left| \mathcal{F} \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \delta(r - r_j) \right) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \exp(ik \cdot r_j) \right|^2, k \neq 0$$



Generating hyperuniform structures

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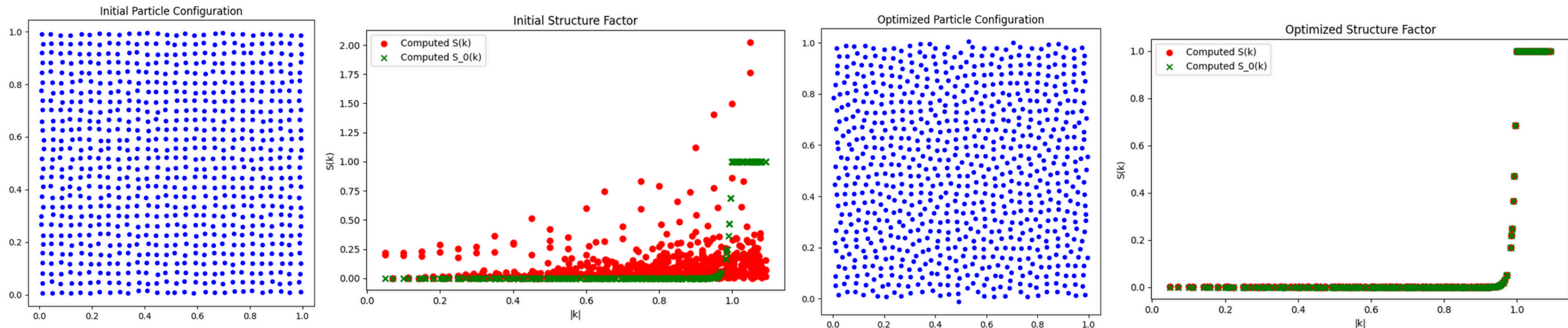
HU point patterns

- We may use a method based on optimization [SSDV24] towards a given structure factor

$$\min_{r_1, \dots, r_N} \sum_k |S(k) - S_0(k)|^2$$

Task: generate different kinds of hyperuniform point patterns as in [SSDV24], Section II

- Current progress:
 - Some more testing needed for different S_0 parametrizations



Generating hyperuniform structures

Scalable HU point patterns

- We want to generate large point patterns for later analysis
- In [SCM24] an scalable fft-based approach to generating HU point patterns is proposed

Task: generate larger point patterns using nuFFT and compare runtime to previous method

Generating hyperuniform structures

HU scalar fields

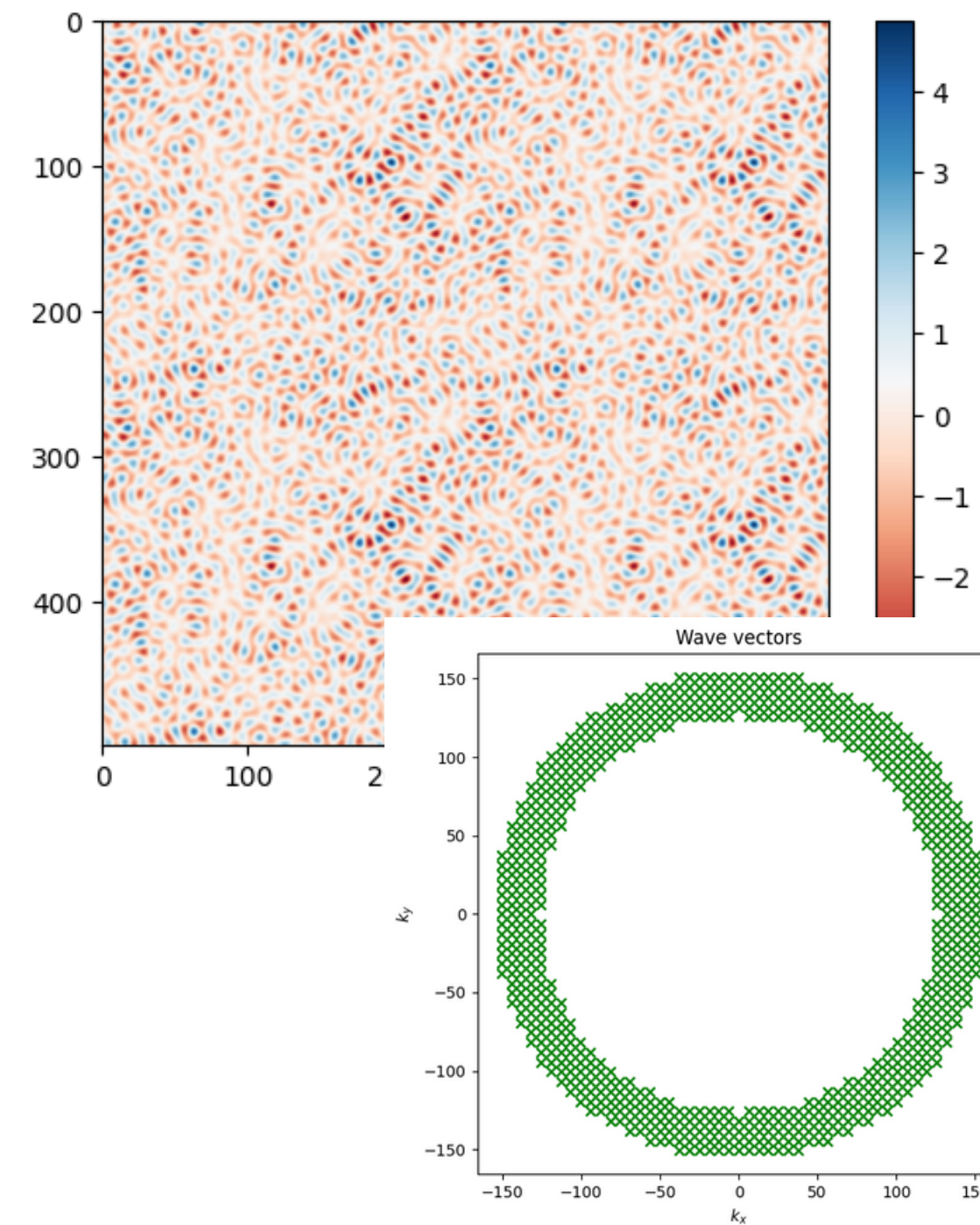
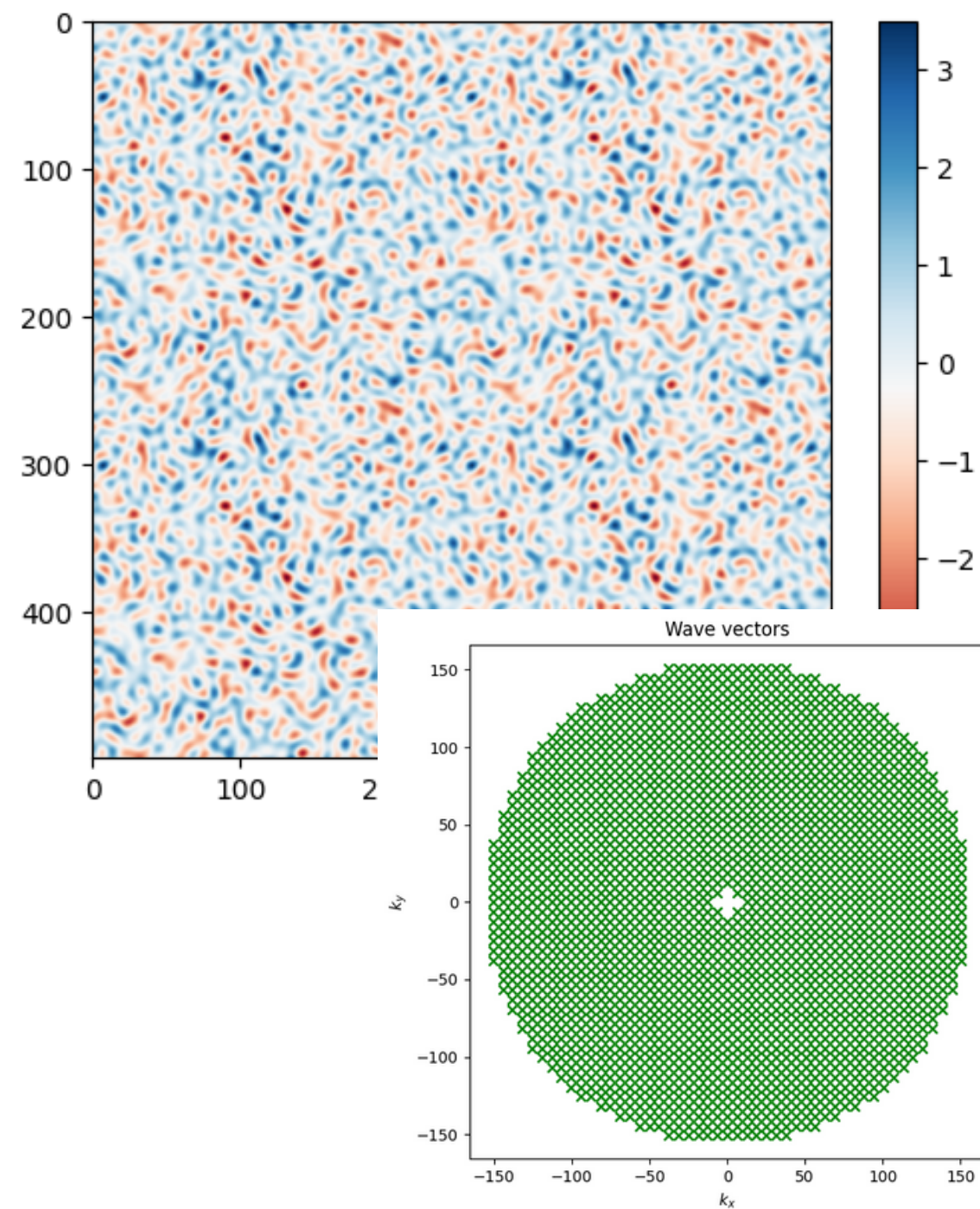
- Hyperuniformity can be extended to scalar fields
- We may be able to extend analysis of HU point patterns to analysis of HU scalar fields

Task: Generate hyperuniform scalar field from a gaussian random field [MT17], Section III & IV

- Current progress:
 - Prototype: Able to generate gaussian random fields with a certain spectrum
 - We still use constant amplitude instead of an dynamic amplitude based on the wave vector k

Generating hyperuniform structures

HU scalar fields



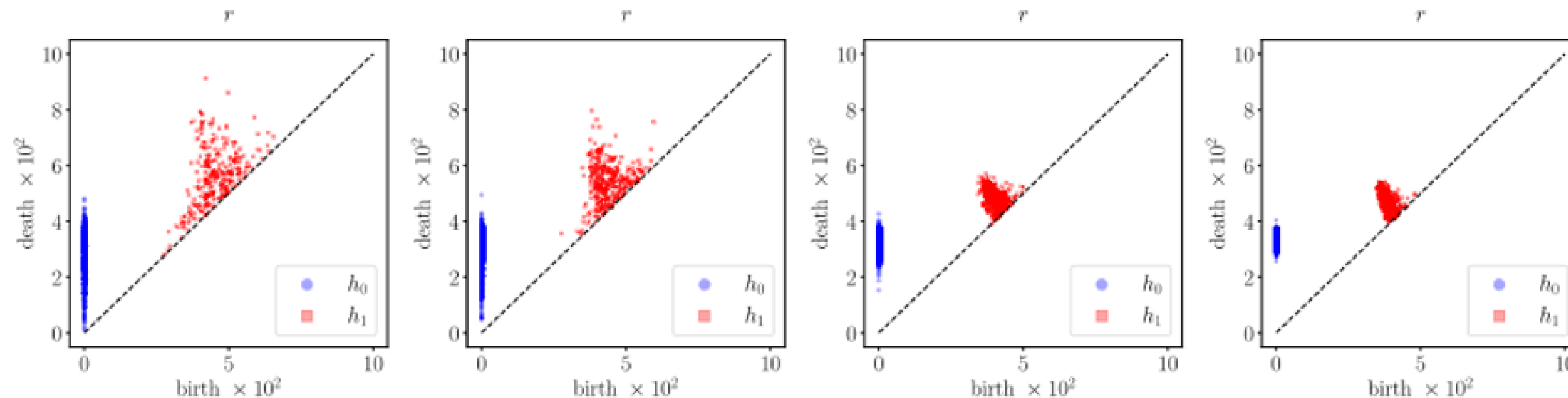
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Persistent Homology and Topological Analysis

- A Vietoris–Rips complex is built by growing balls of radius r around each point
- Homological features are computed: h_0 (connected components), h_1 (loops)

Task: Use *ripser* or *GUDHI* to compute persistent homology and analyze the resulting diagrams



Persistent homology [SSDV24]

Topological Comparison and Robustness to Finite Sampling

- Wasserstein distances $W1, W2$ are used to compare persistence diagrams:
 1. Across different pattern parameters
 2. Between full systems and cropped subsets

$$W_p(A, B) = \inf_{\gamma} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in A} (\|\mathbf{x} - \gamma(\mathbf{x})\|_q)^p \right)^{1/p},$$

- The study shows that HU properties are preserved in subsets above a certain size

Task: Compare diagrams using Wasserstein distance, identify HU regions in parameter space, and analyze robustness to partial data

Literature

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