

Topological Data Analysis

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- Linear Regression
- Decision Tree
- Machine Learning

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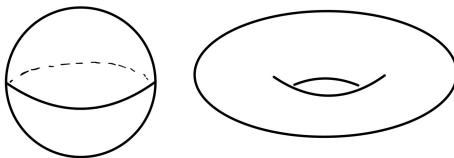
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Figure 1: S_2 & T_2



Using Homology, we can distinguish two spaces by examining their holes.

Simplicial Complex

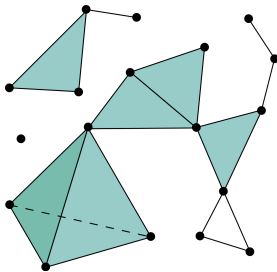
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A simplicial complex K is a collection of simplices such that

- Every face of a simplex of K is in K
- Every pair of distinct simplices of K have disjoint interiors

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Figure 2: Simplicial Complex



Intuitively, a simplicial complex structure on a space is an expression of the space as a union of points, intervals, triangles, tetrahedrons and higher dimensional analogues

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We now define a homomorphism

$$\partial_p : C_p(K) \rightarrow C_{p-1}(K)$$

$$\partial_p[v_0, \dots, v_p] = \sum_{i=0}^p (-1)^i [v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_p]$$

is called the boundary operator

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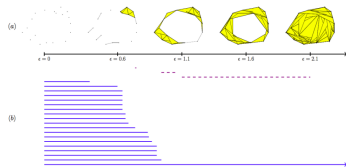
The p^{th} homology group of K is defined by
$$H_p(K) = \text{Kernel}(\partial_p) / \text{Image}(\partial_{p+1})$$

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The p^{th} betti number $\beta_p(K)$ is the rank of p^{th} homology group $H_p(K)$

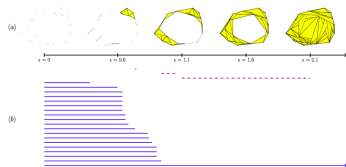
Intuitively, the p^{th} Betti number refers to the number of k -dimensional holes on a topological surface.

Figure 3: WorkFlow



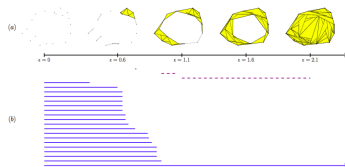
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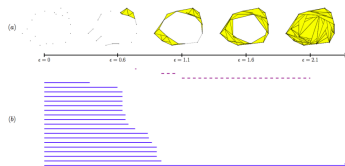
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- Barcode/Diagram

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Theorem

Suppose that X and U are as above, and suppose that the covering consists of open sets and is numerable. Suppose further that for all $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq A$, we have that $\bigcap_{s \in S} U_s$ is either contractible or empty. Then $N\mathcal{U}$ is homotopy equivalent to X

Definition

For any subset $V \subseteq X$ or which $X = \bigcup_{v \in V} B_\epsilon(v)$, one can construct the nerve of the covering $B_\epsilon(v)$. We will denote this construction by $\check{C}(V, \epsilon)$, and is called Čech complex attached to V and ϵ

Definition

Let X denote a metric space, with metric d . Then the Vietoris-Rips complex for X , attached to the parameter ϵ , denoted by $VR(X, \epsilon)$, will be the simplicial complex whose vertex set is X , and where $\{x_0, \dots, x_k\}$ spans a k -simplex if and only if $d(x_i, x_j) \leq \epsilon$ for all $0 \leq i, j \leq k$

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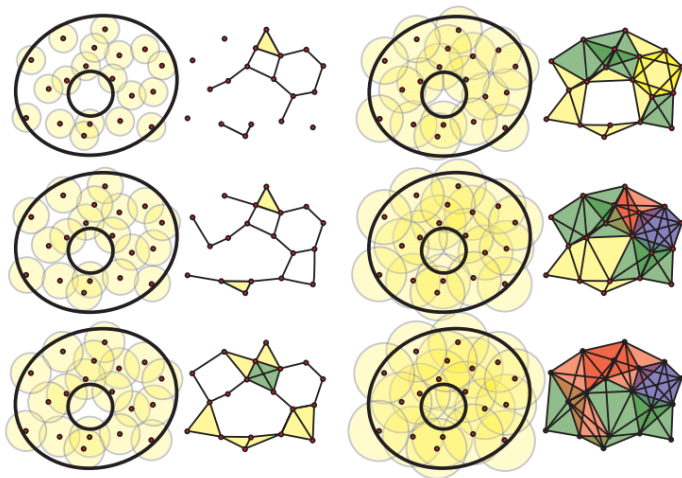
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Let K be a finite simplicial complex, and let $K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \cdots \subset K_l = K$ be a finite sequence of nested subcomplexes of K

Figure 4: Filtered Complex



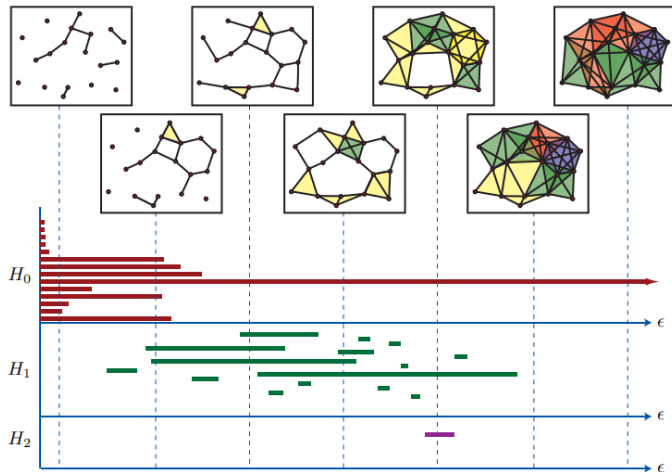
Persistent Homology

Definition

The inclusion map $K_i \rightarrow K_j$ induce linear maps $f_{i,j} : H_p(K_i) \rightarrow H_p(K_j)$

The p th persistent homology of K is the pair $(\{H_p(K_i)\}_{1 \leq i \leq l}, \{f_{i,j}\}_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq l})$

Figure 5: Barcode



Thank You



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