

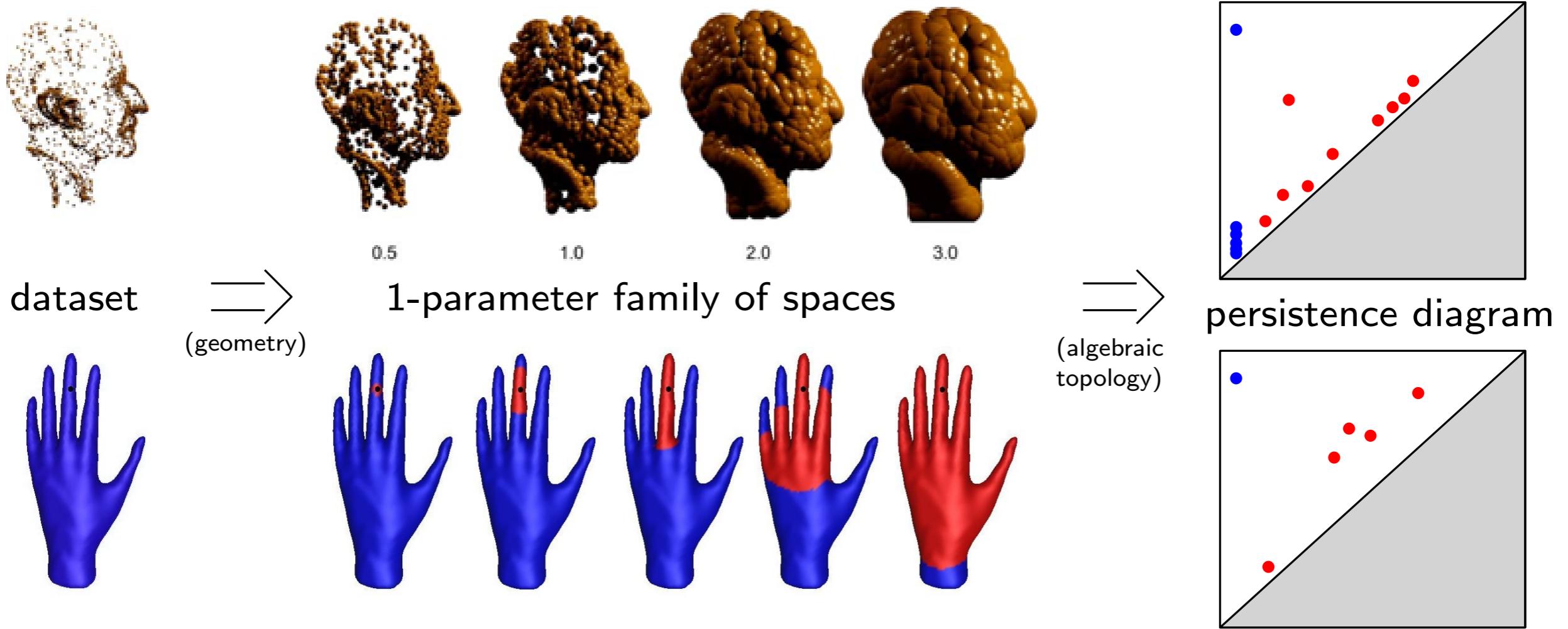
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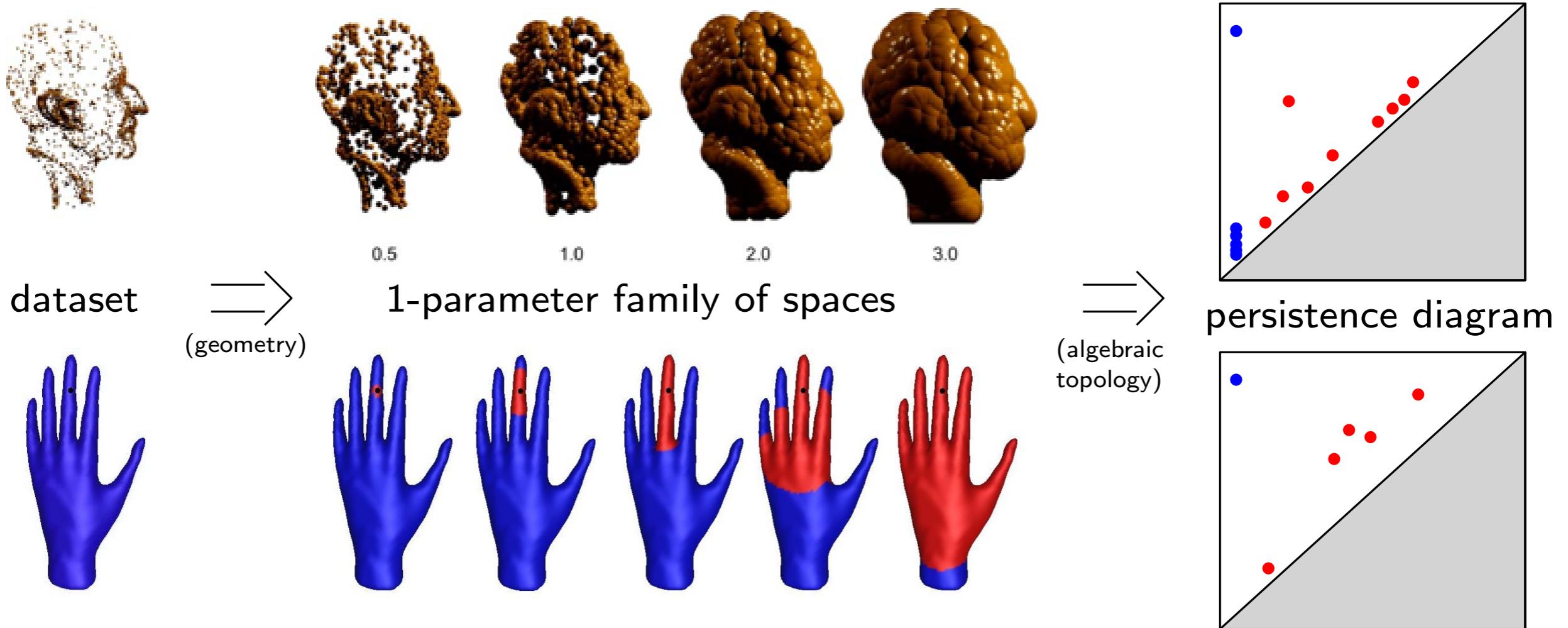
Pros:

- strong invariance and stability:
 $d_b(\text{dgm}(R(X)), \text{dgm}(R(Y))) \leq d_{GH}(X, Y)$
- information of a different nature
- flexible and versatile

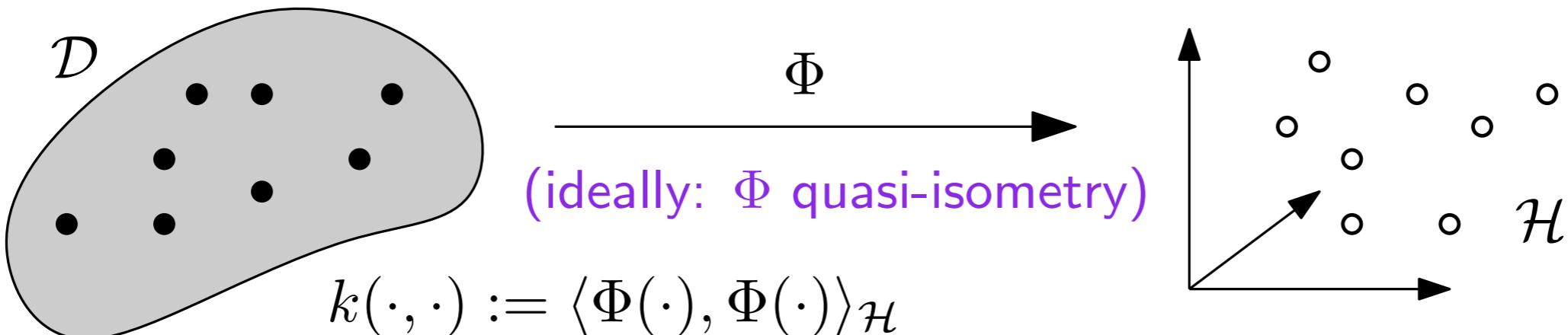
Cons:

- slow to compare
- space of diagrams is not linear
- positive intrinsic curvature

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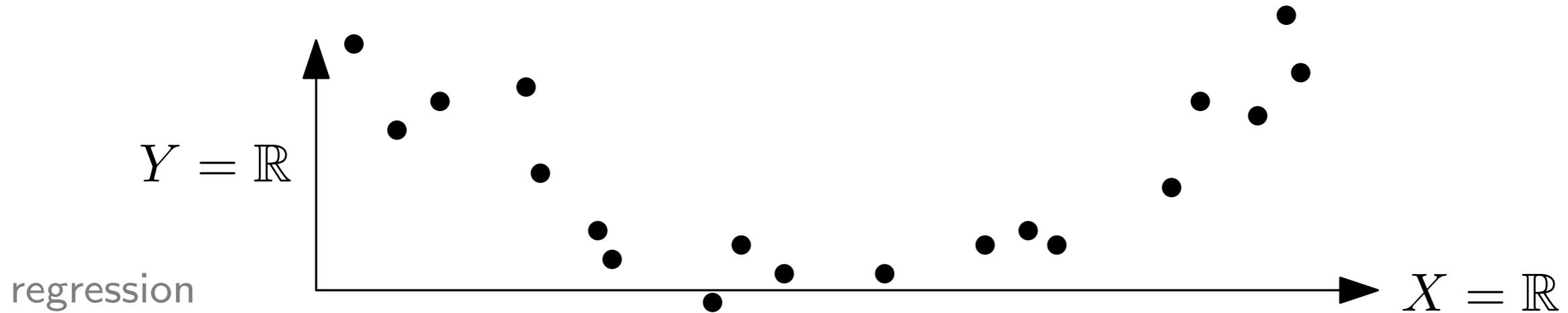


A solution: map diagrams to Hilbert space and use kernel trick

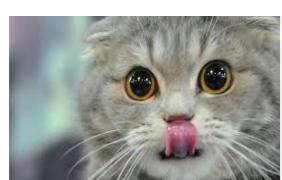
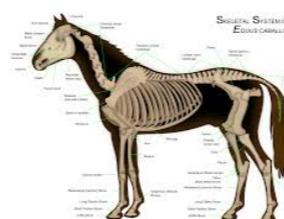


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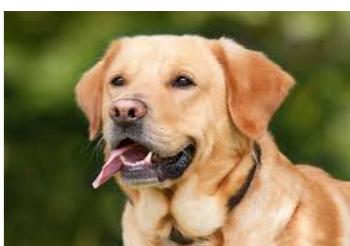
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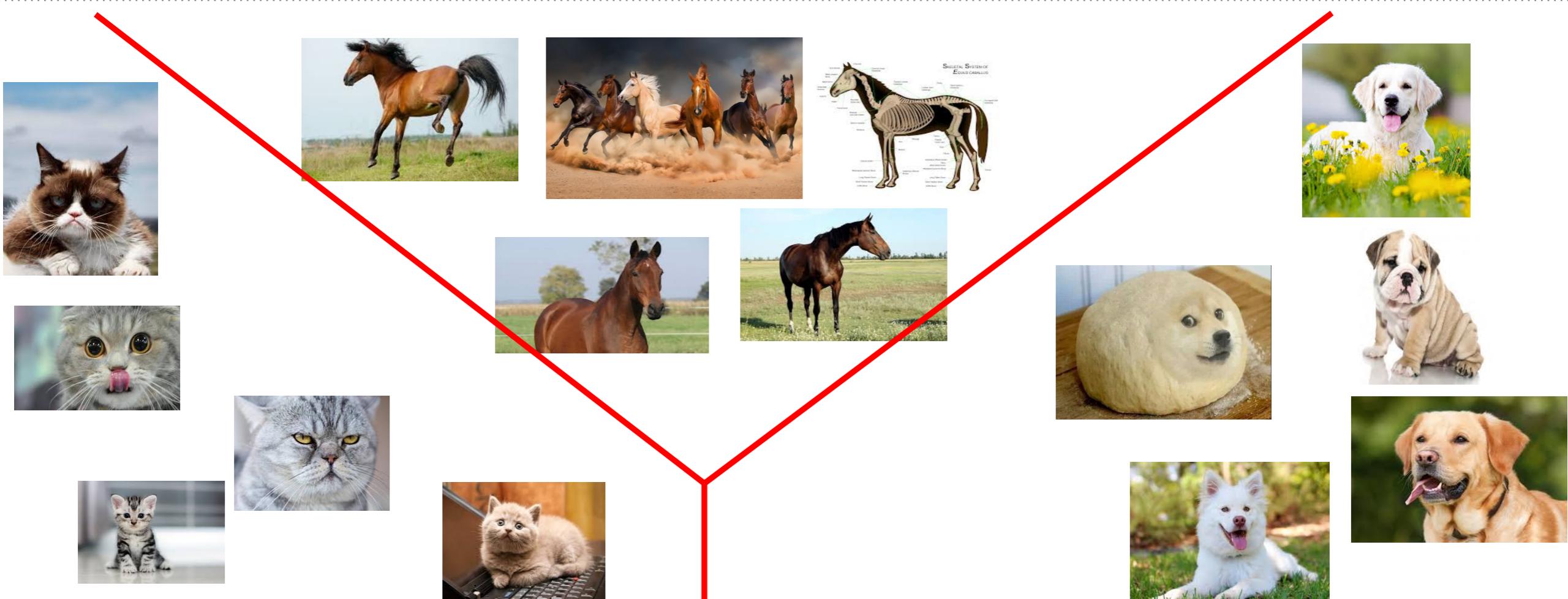
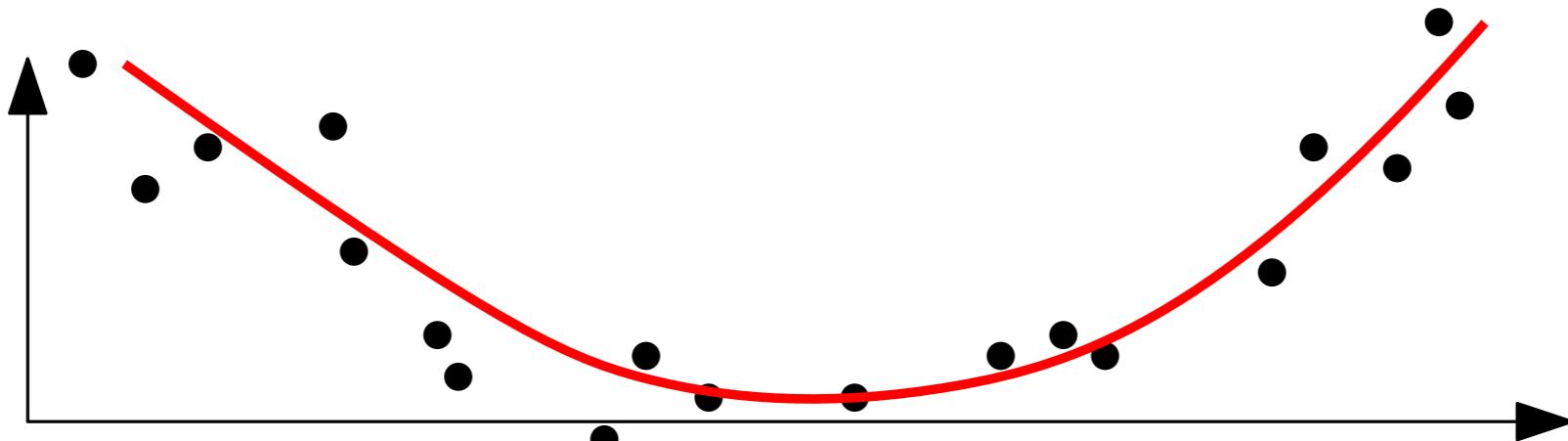
$X = \text{images},$
 $Y = \{\text{cat, dog, horse}\}$



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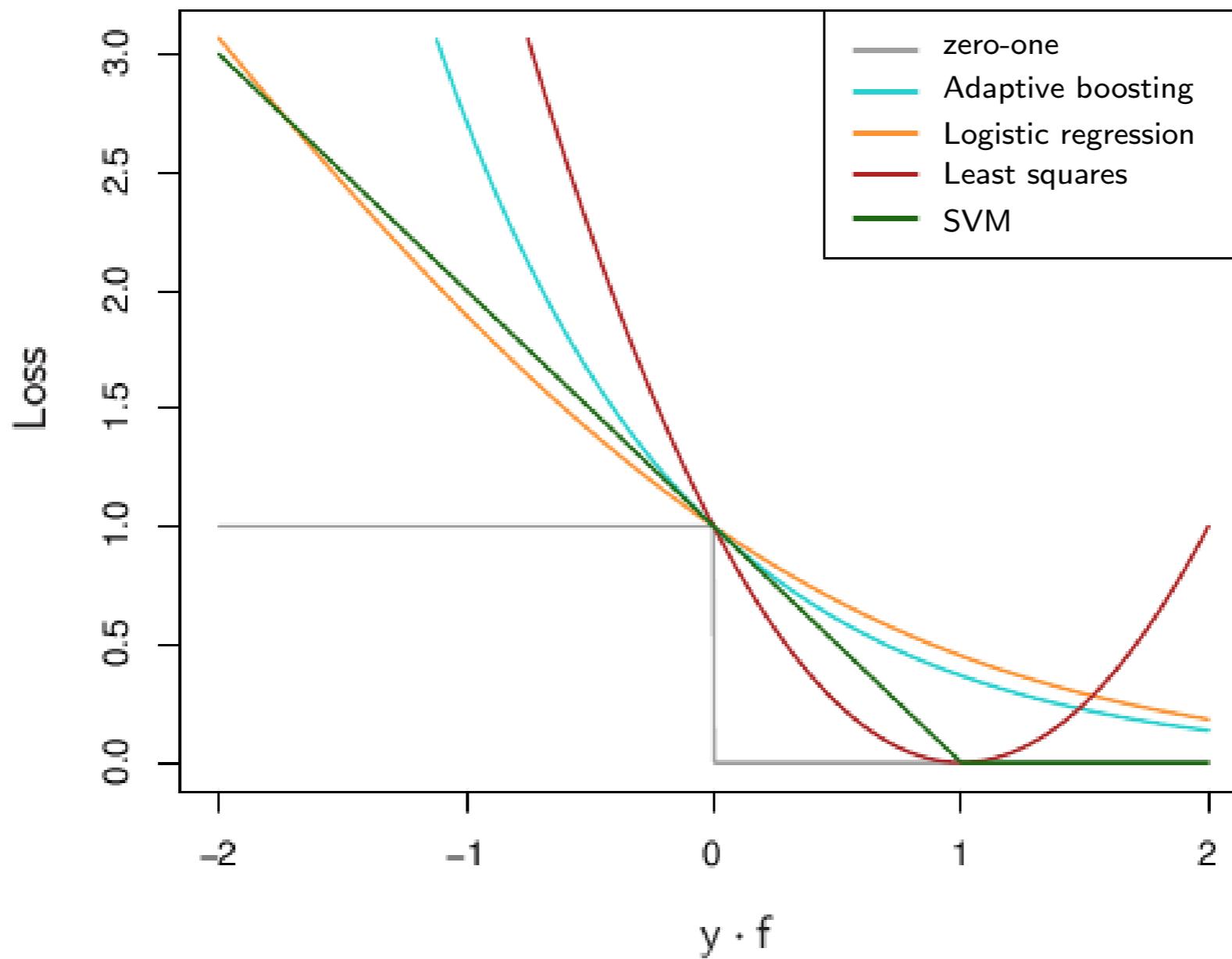
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$L(y_i, f(x_i))$	Name	
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$\max\{0, 1 - y_i f(x_i)\}$	hinge	→ Support Vector Machines
$\exp(-y_i f(x_i))$	exponential	→ Adaptive boosting
$\log(1 + \exp(-y_i f(x_i)))$	logistic	→ Logistic regression
$(y_i - f(x_i))^2$	squared	→ Least squares

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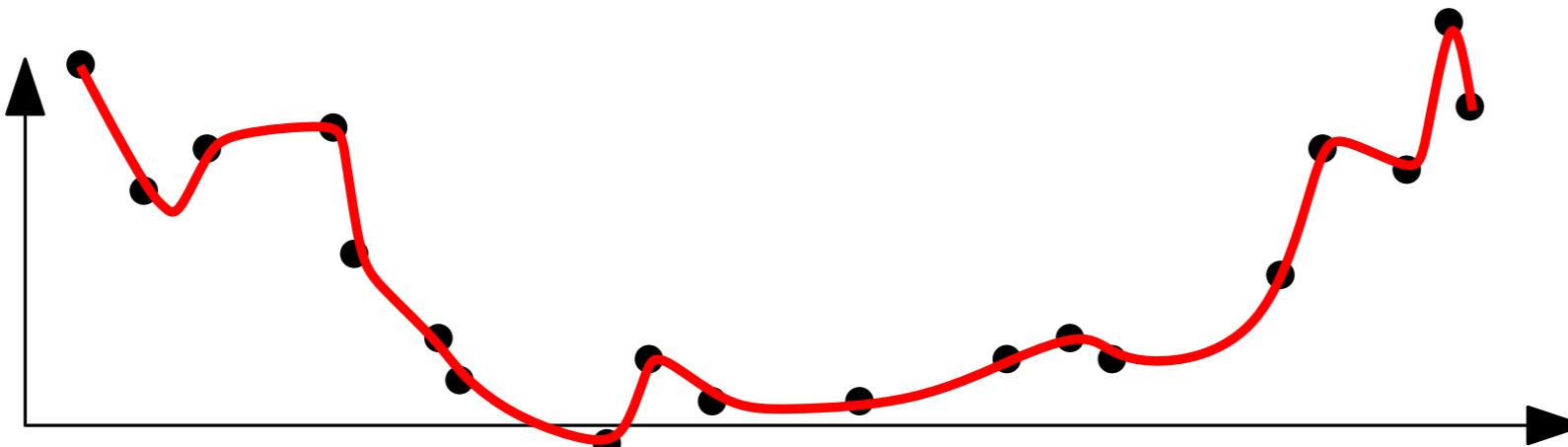
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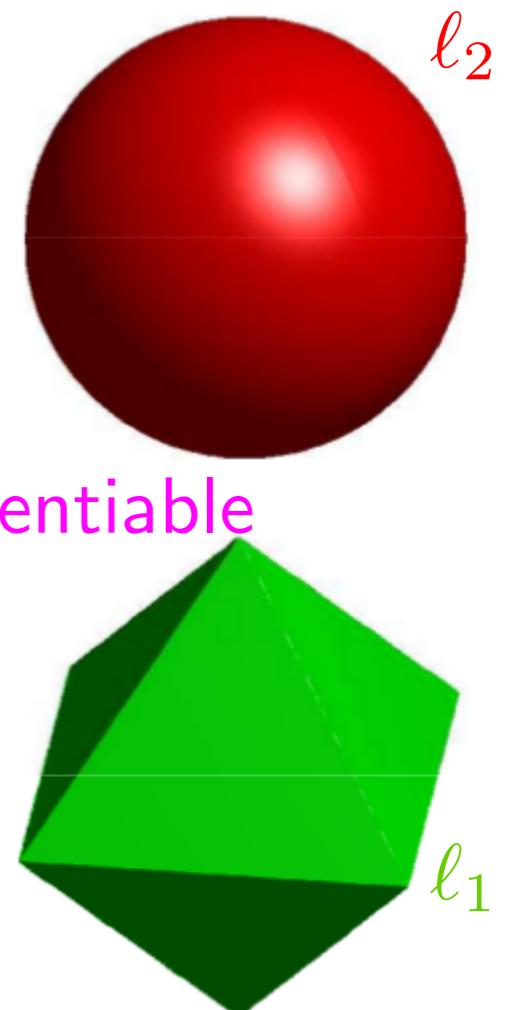
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$$\mathcal{F} = \{f_w : w \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$$

$\Omega(w)$	Name
$\ w\ _2^2$	ℓ_2 (Tikhonov) → differentiable
$\ w\ _1$	ℓ_1 (LASSO) → sparse
$\alpha\ w\ _2^2 + (1 - \alpha)\ w\ _1$	elastic net



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Complexity of the minimization grows with the one of \mathcal{F}

Easy to control when \mathcal{F} is a Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space

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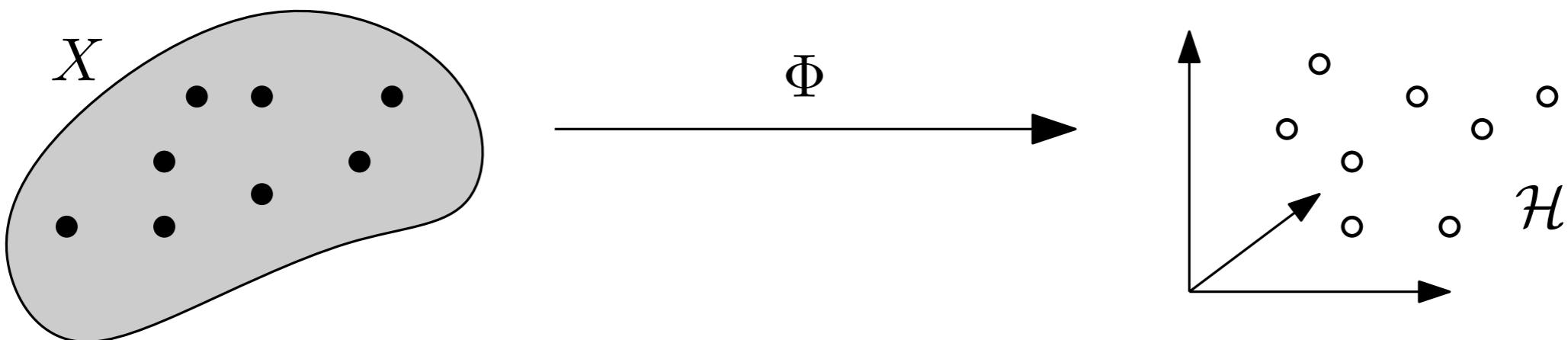
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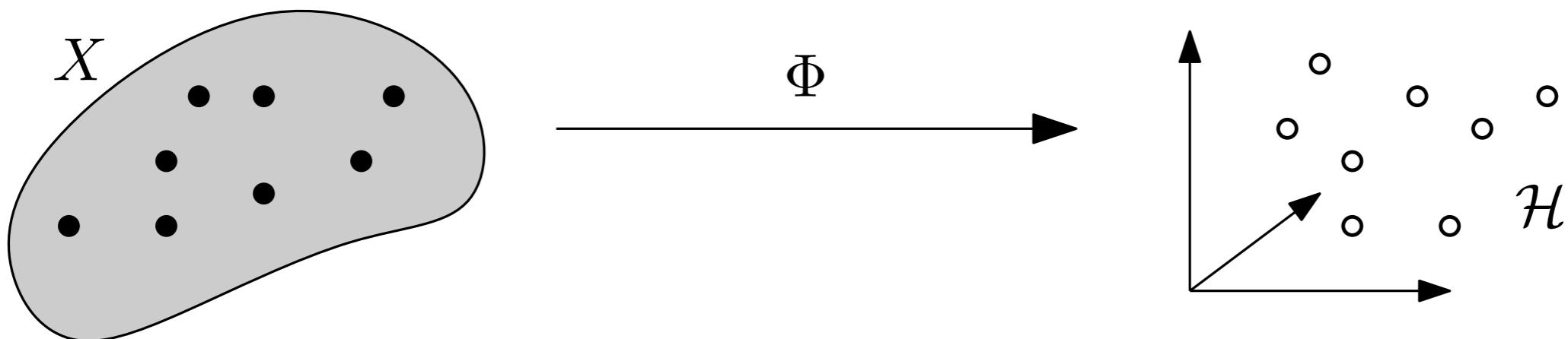
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Case X Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H} = X^*, \Phi(x) = \langle x, \cdot \rangle_X$$

Φ isometric isomorphism [Riesz]

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} := \langle \Phi^{-1}(\cdot), \Phi^{-1}(\cdot) \rangle_X$$



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Examples in $X = (\mathbb{R}^d, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$:

- linear: $k(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle$ $\mathcal{H} = (\mathbb{R}^d)^*$, $\Phi(x) = \langle x, \cdot \rangle$
- polynomial: $k(x, y) = (1 + \langle x, y \rangle)^N = \sum_{n_1 + \dots + n_d = N} \binom{N}{n_1, \dots, n_d} \underbrace{x_1^{n_1} \dots x_d^{n_d}}_{\propto \Phi(x)} y_1^{n_1} \dots y_d^{n_d}$
- Gaussian: $k(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|x-y\|_2^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \sigma > 0.$ $\mathcal{H} \subseteq L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$

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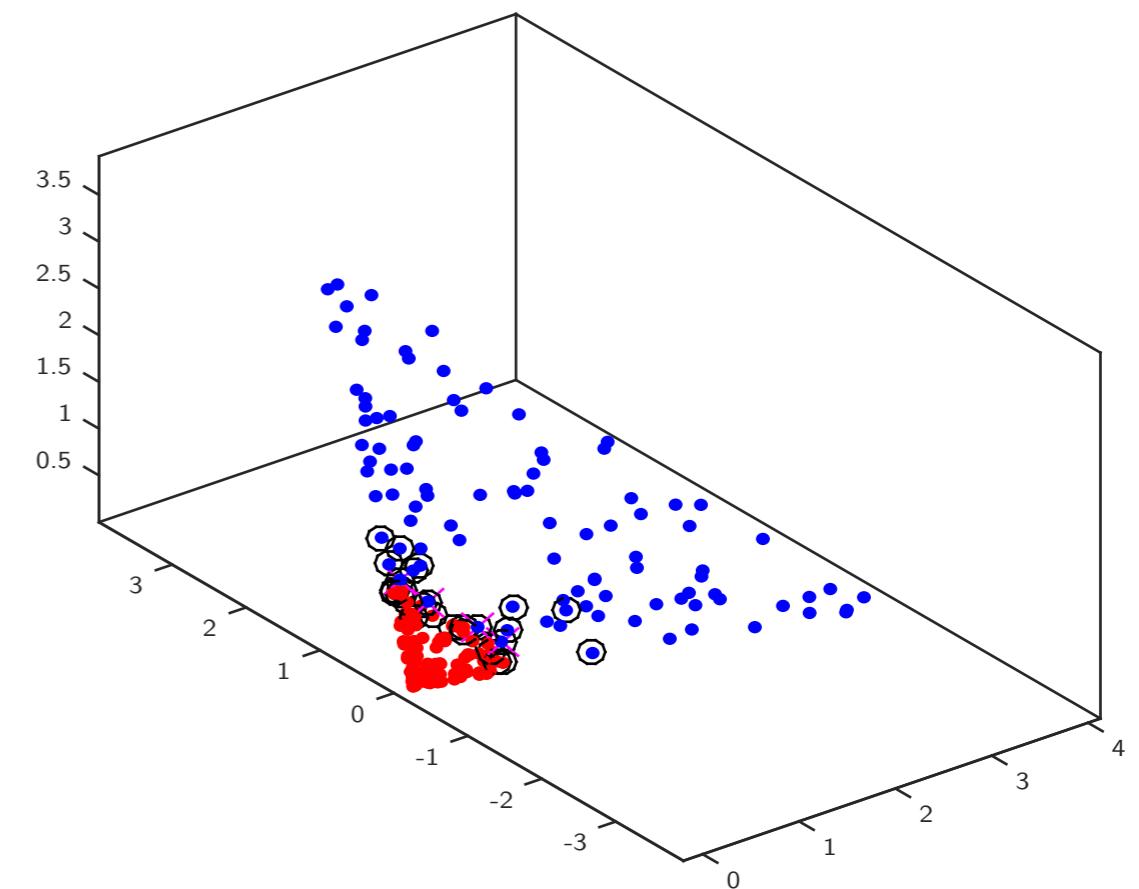
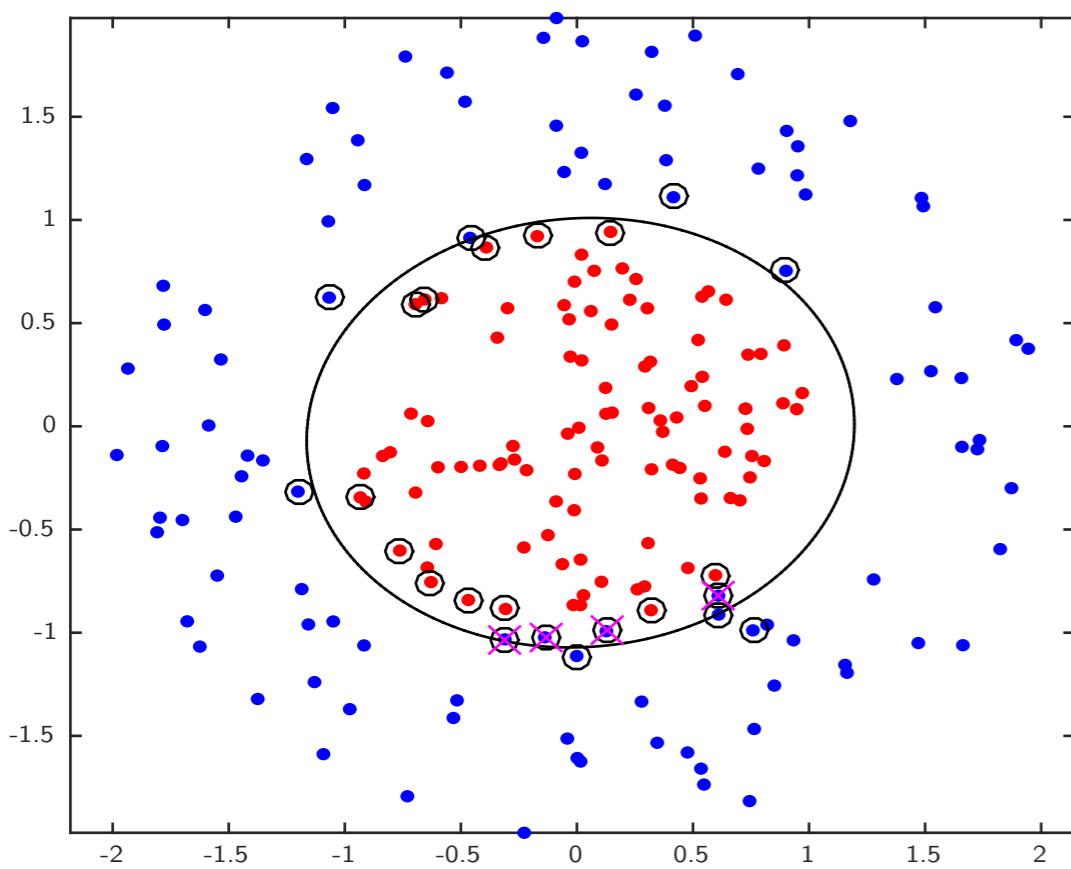
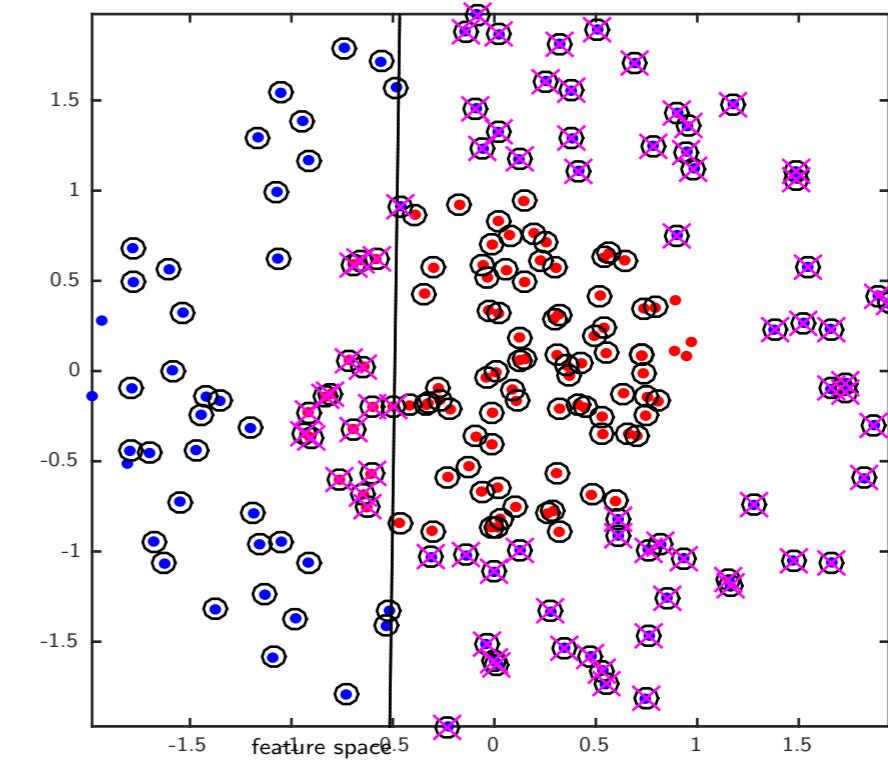
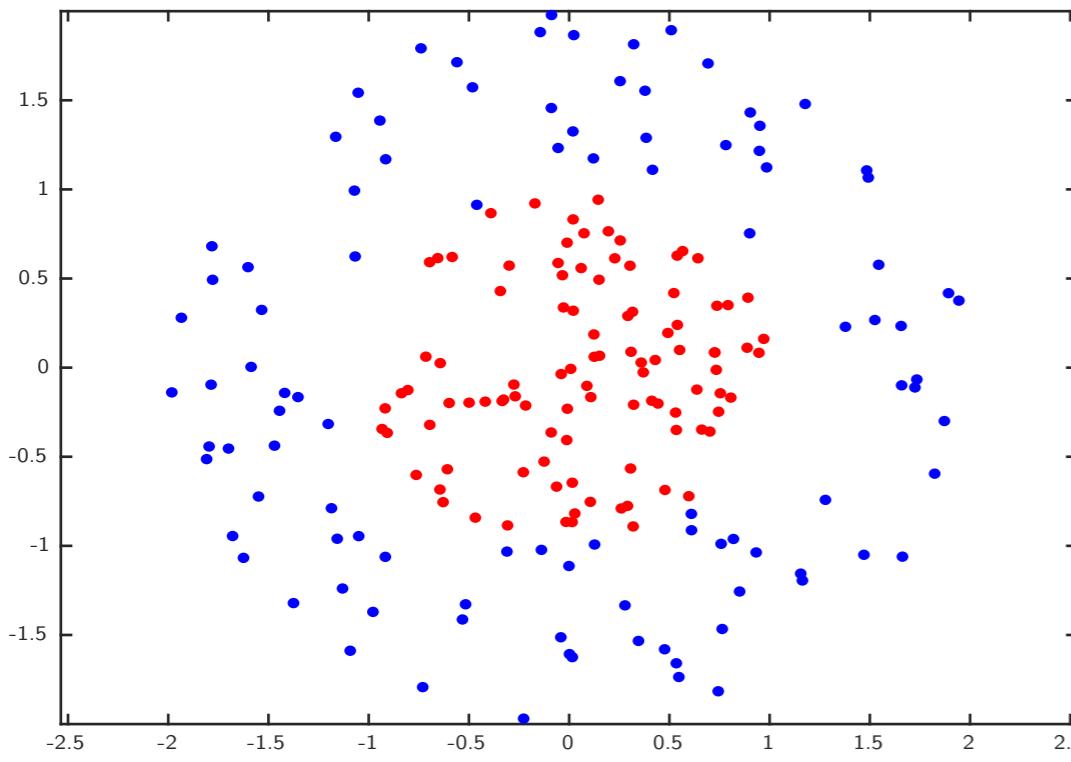
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where $\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$ and $K = (k(x_i, x_j))_{ij}$

only the $k(x_i, x_j)$ are required to minimize (**kernel trick**)

Kernel Trick



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- **sum of kernels** \longleftrightarrow **concatenation of feature spaces**

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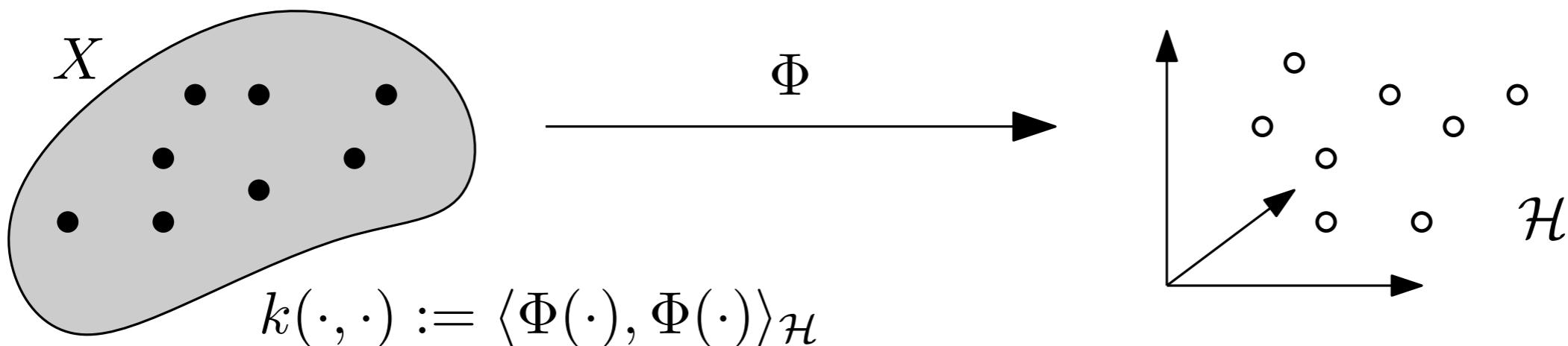
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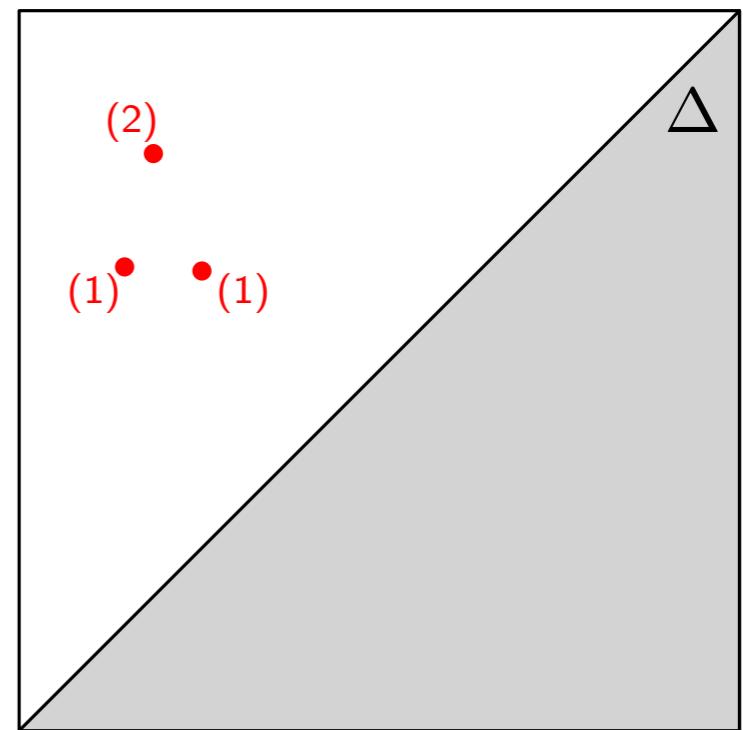
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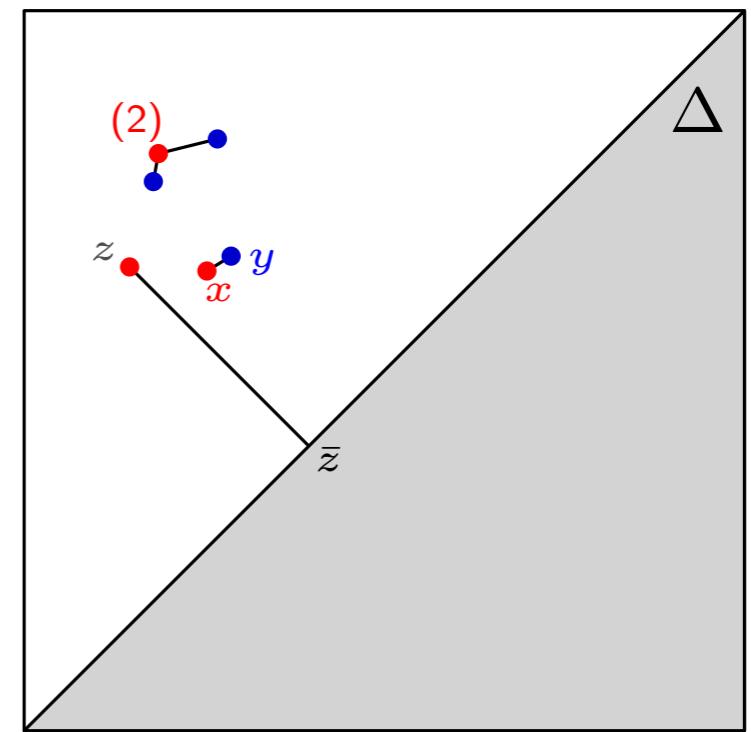
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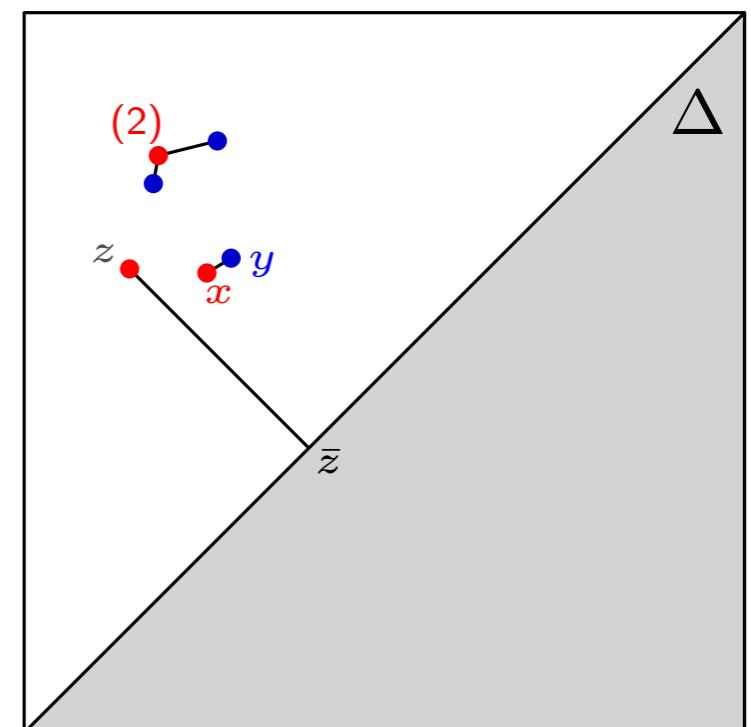
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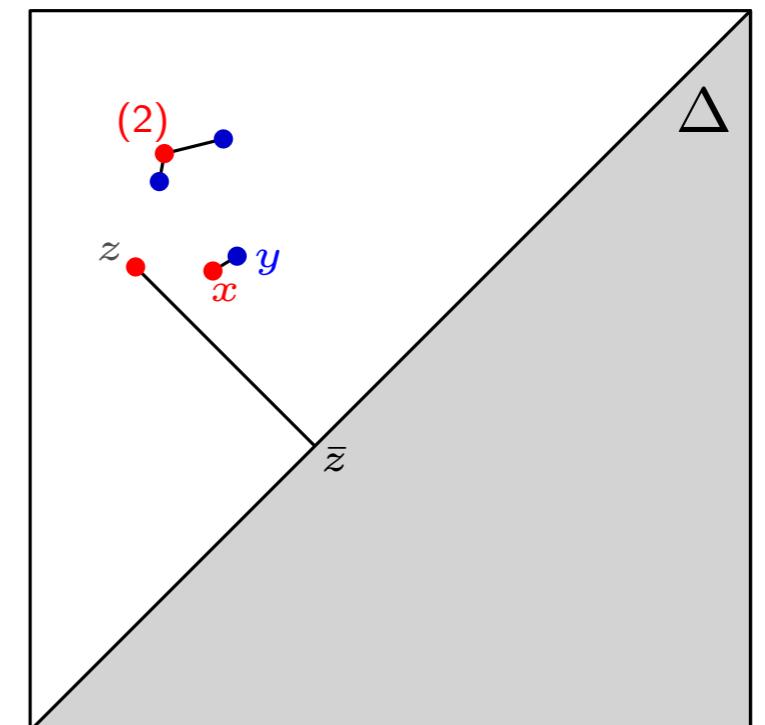
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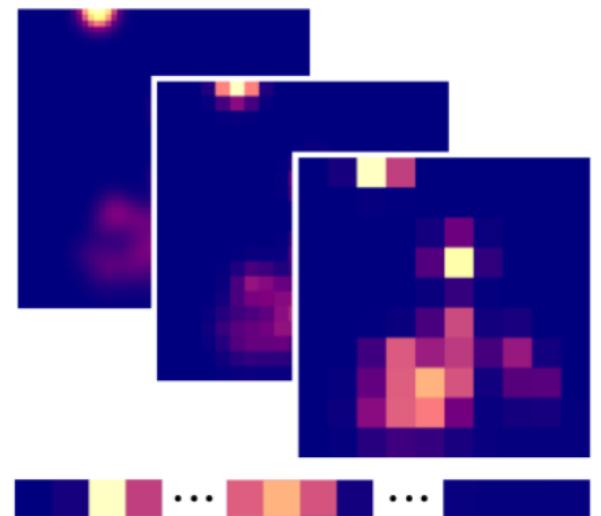
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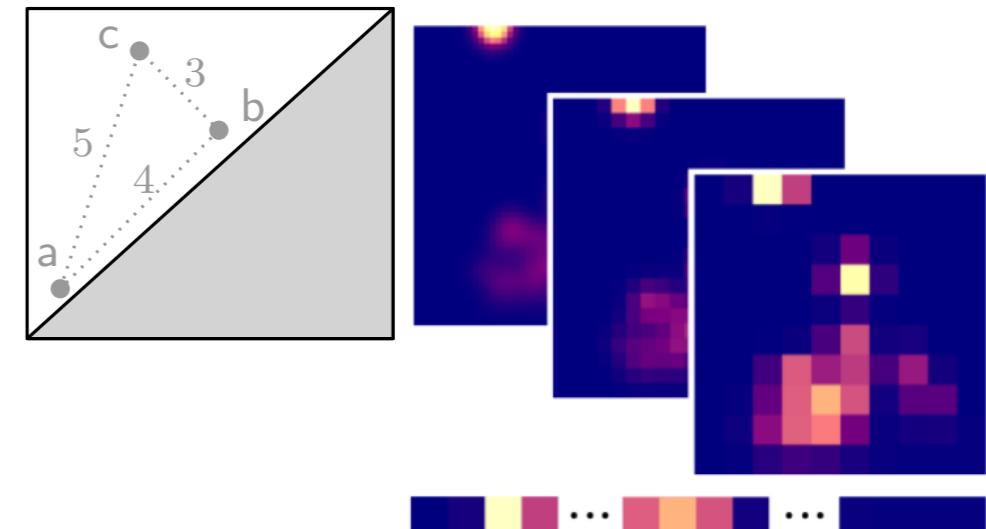
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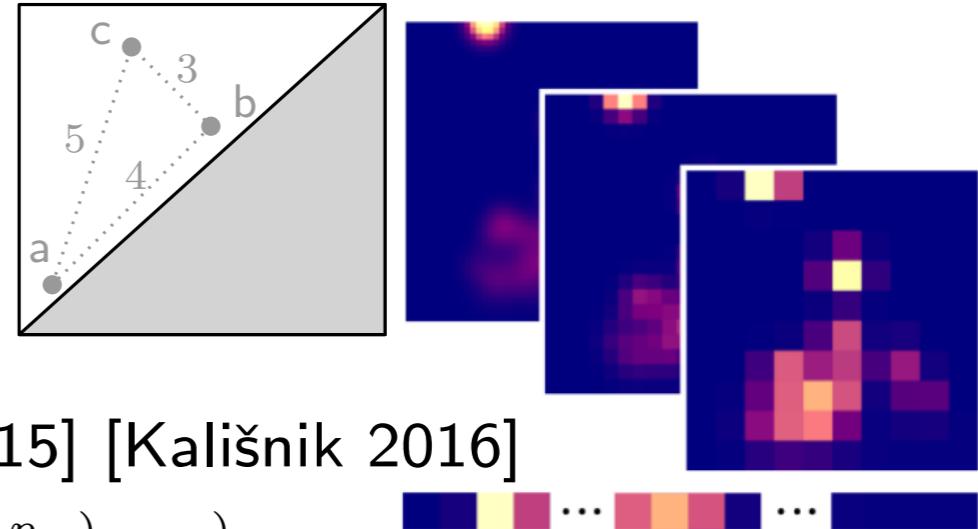


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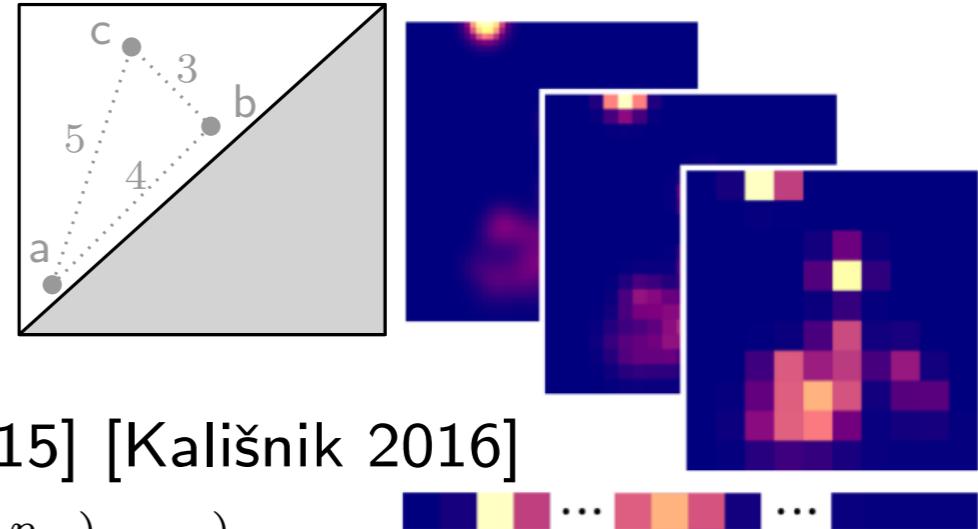
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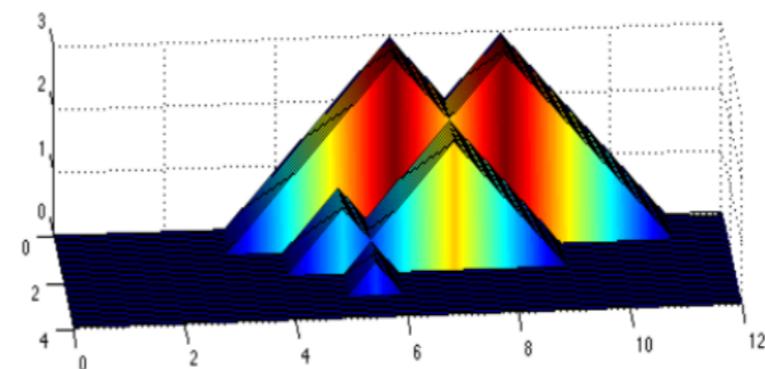
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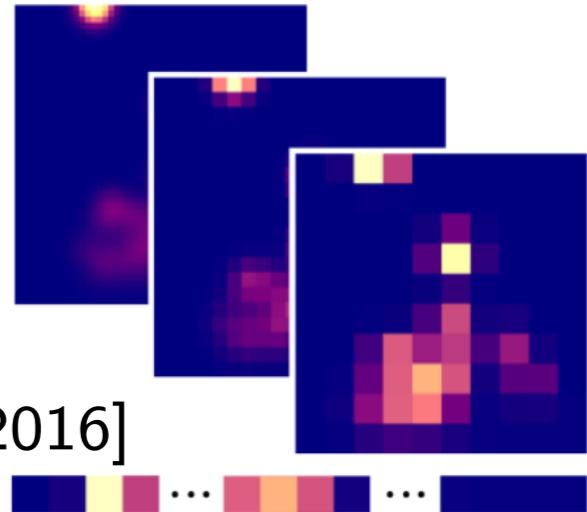
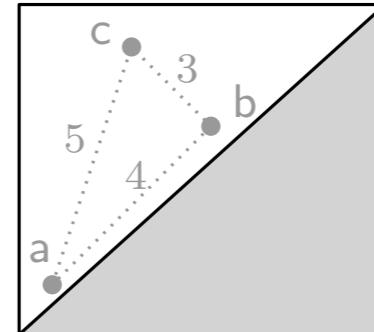


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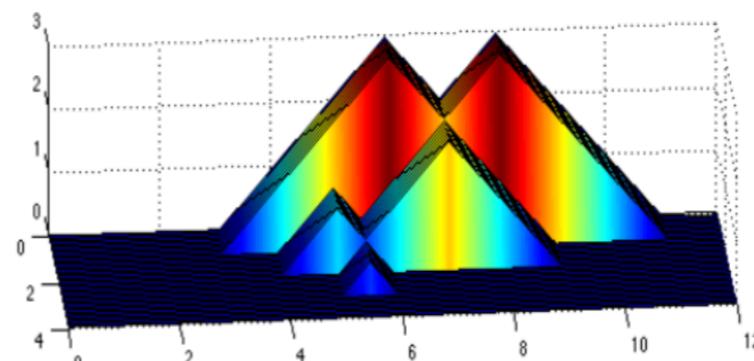
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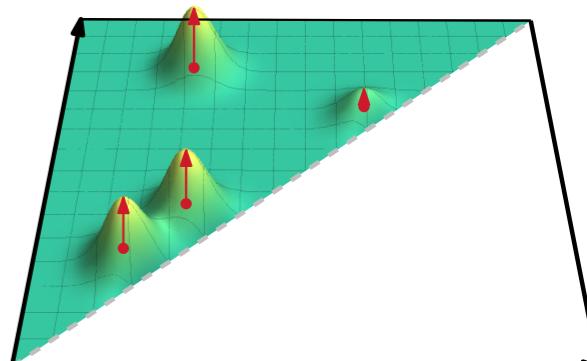
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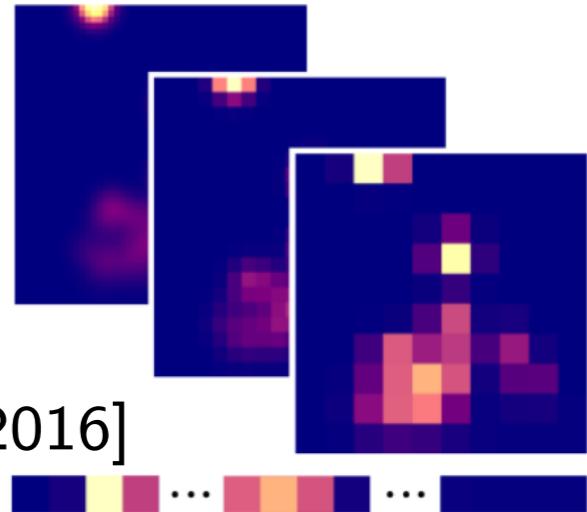
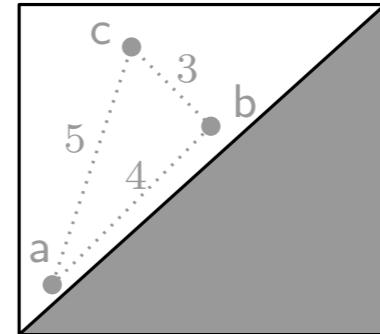
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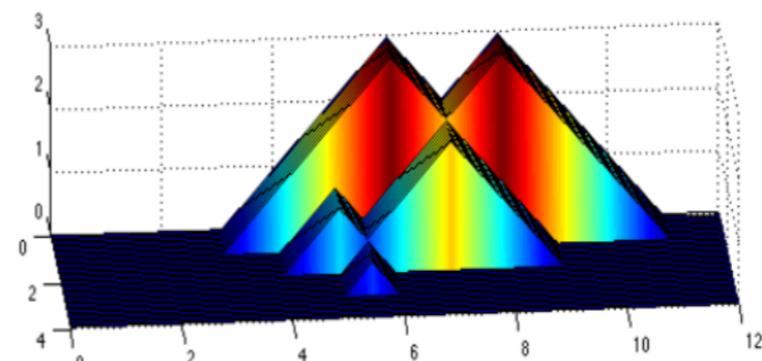
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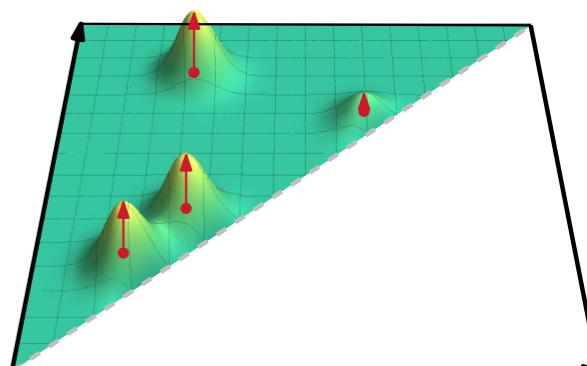
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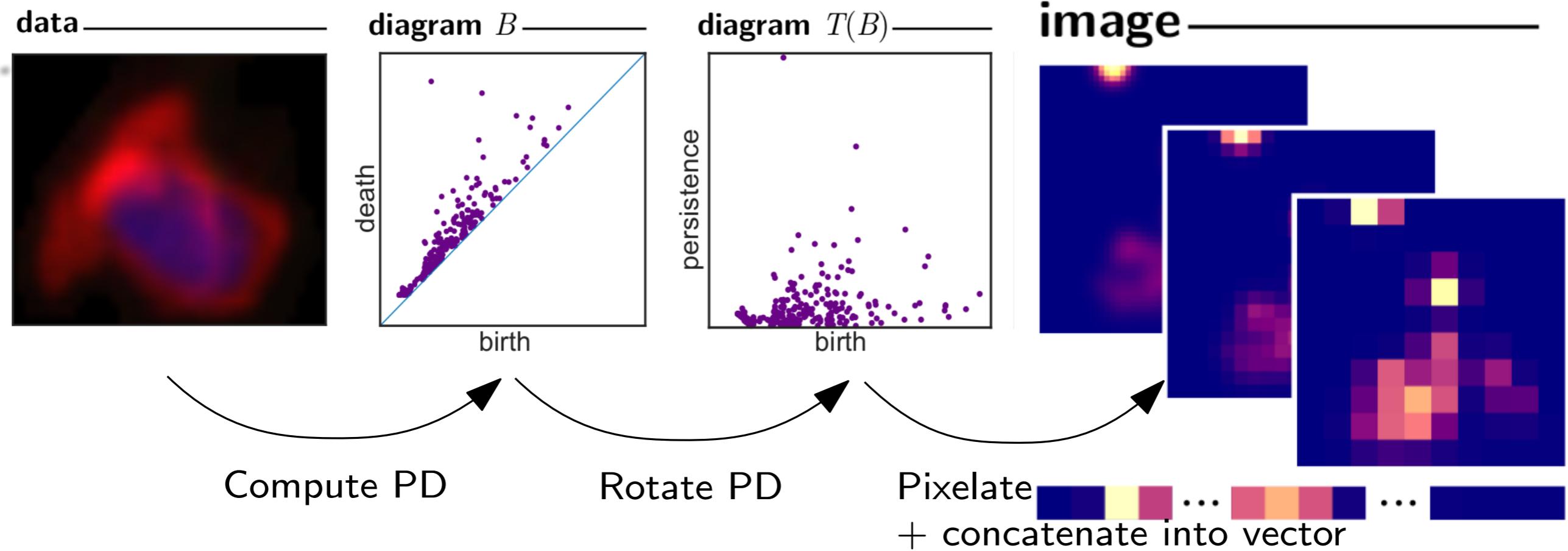


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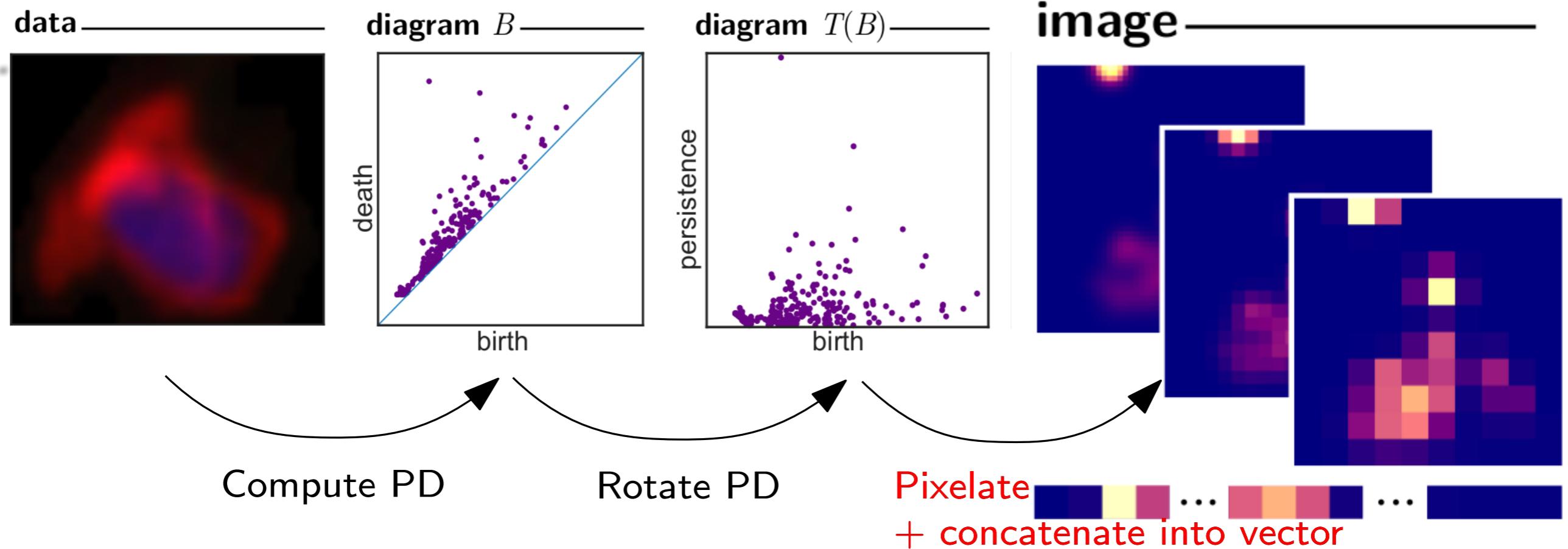
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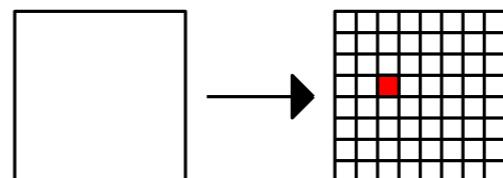


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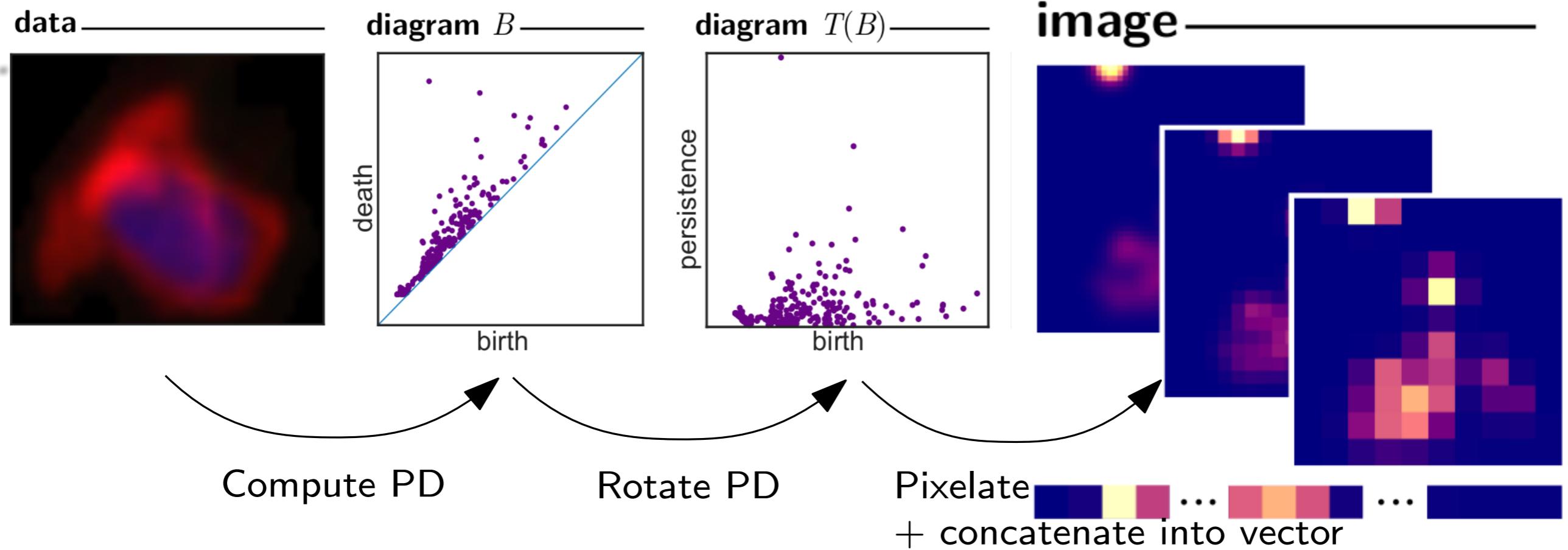


For each pixel P , compute $I(P) = \# D \cap P$

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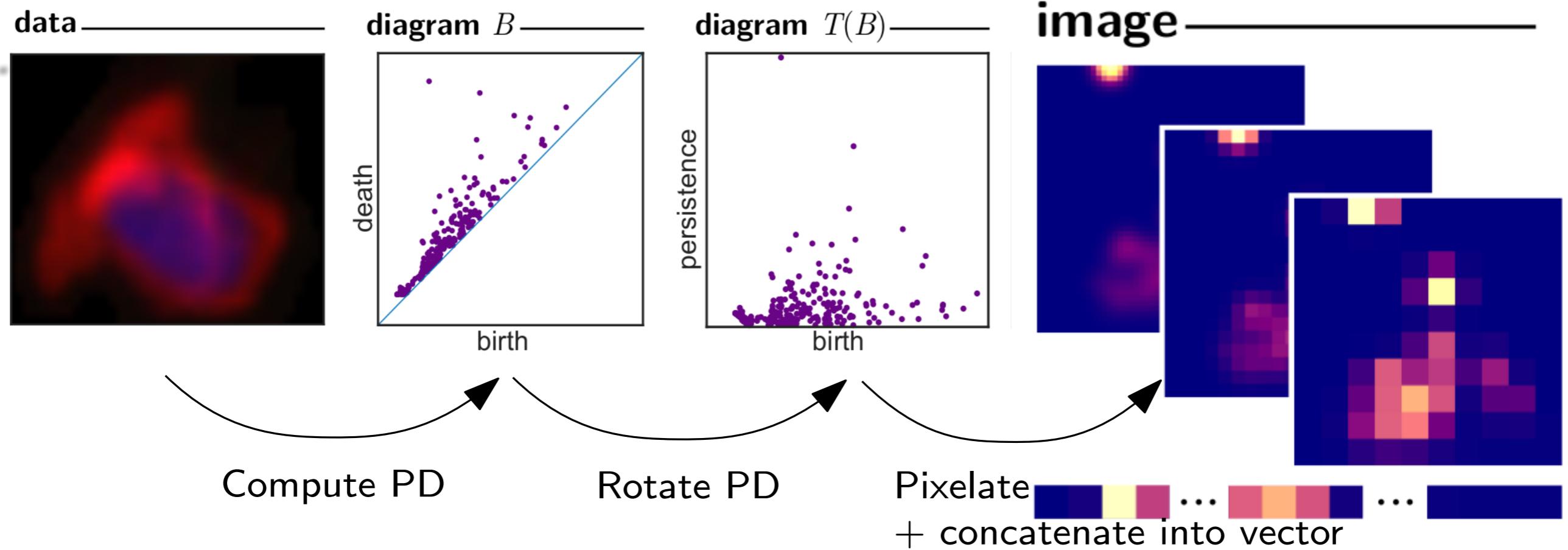
→ blur image

(convolve with Gaussian → details forthcoming)

A graph showing the weight function $w_t(x, y)$ as a function of y . The function is zero for $y \leq 0$, increases linearly from $(0,0)$ to a point above $y=t$, and then remains constant at 1 for $y > t$.

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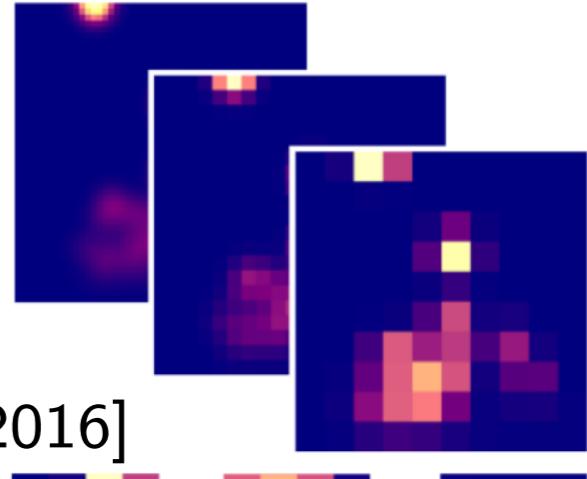
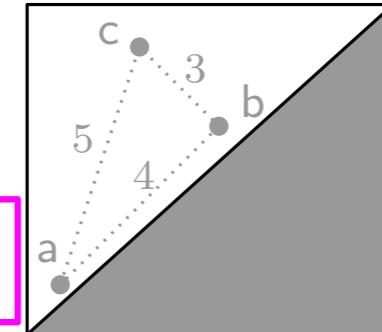
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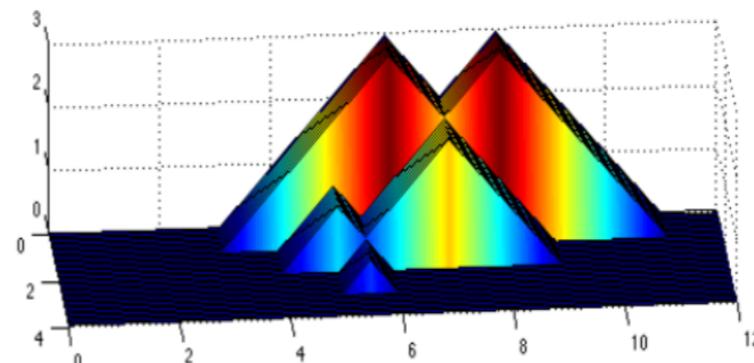
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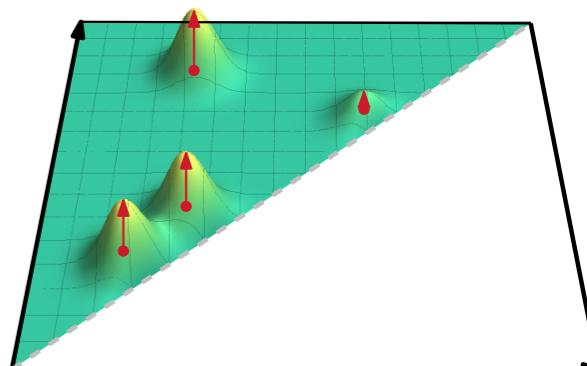
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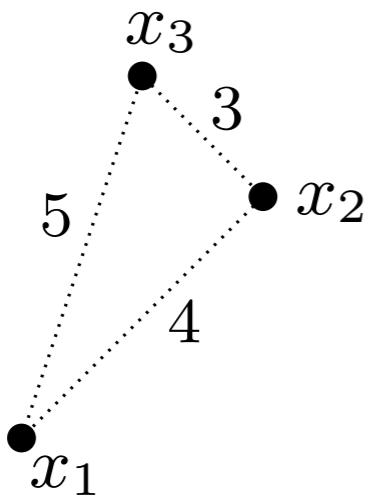
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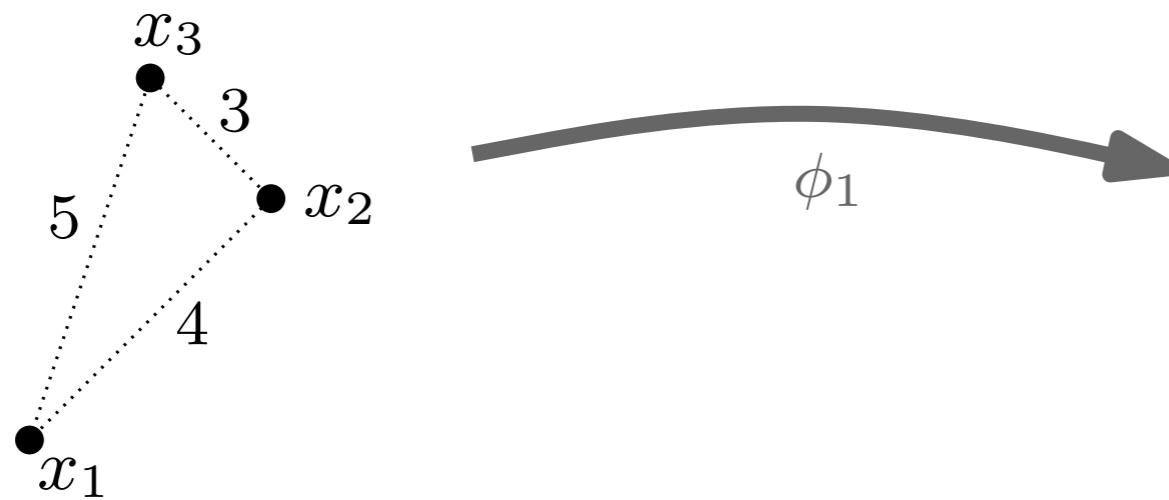
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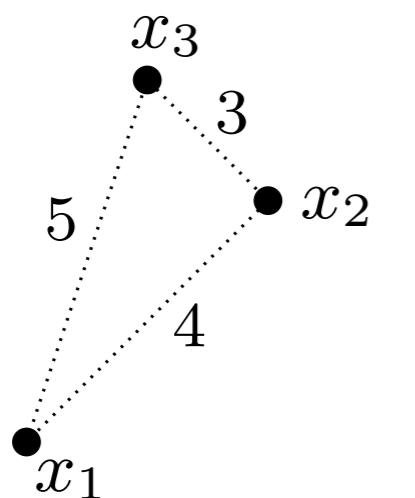
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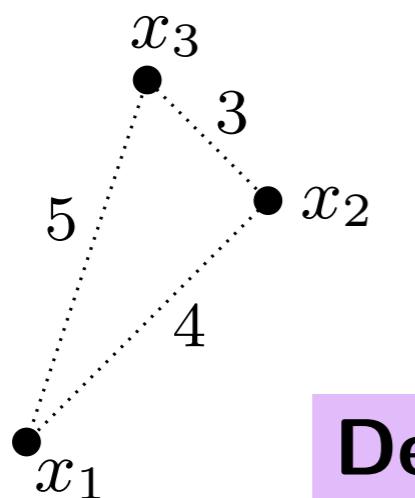
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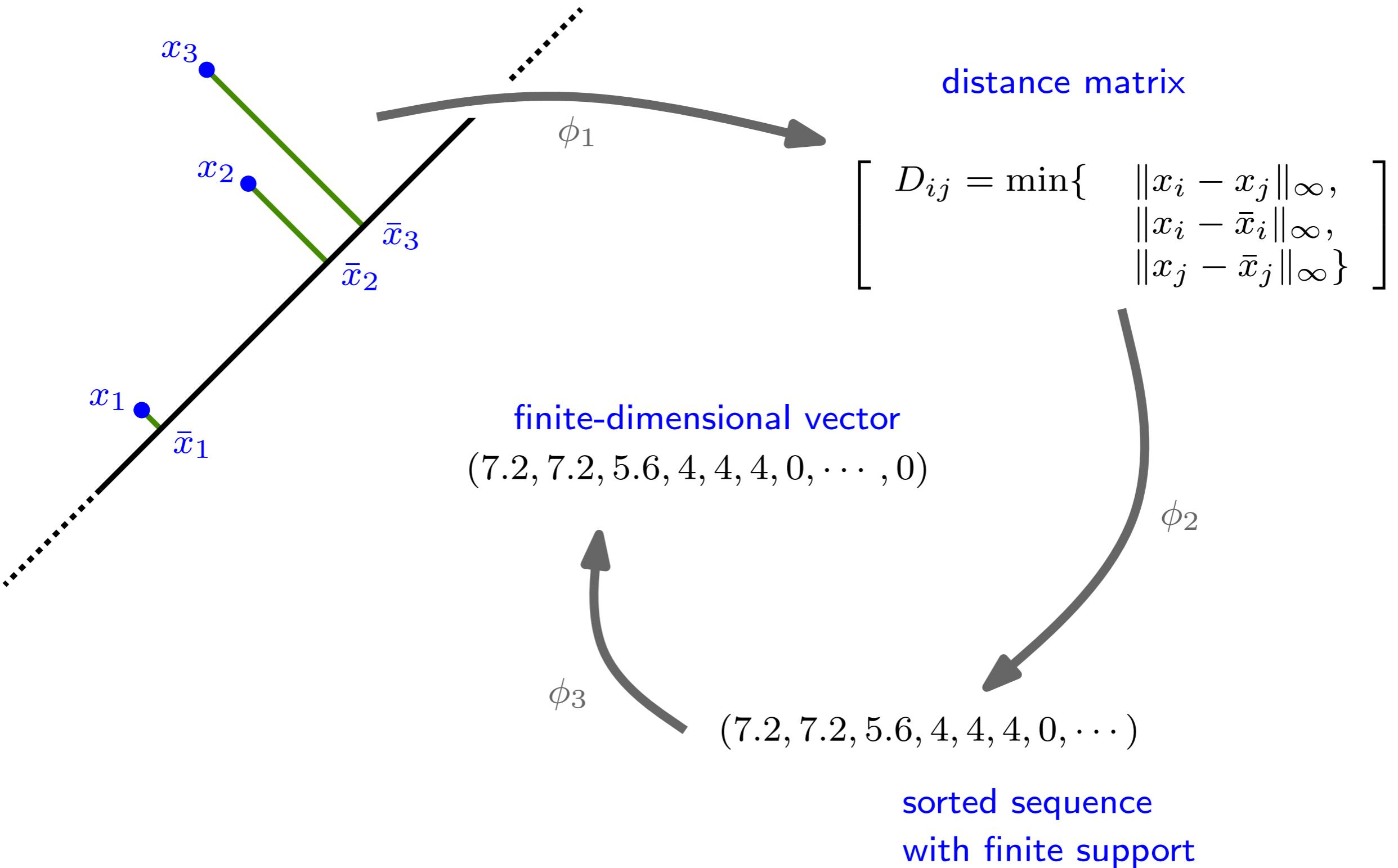
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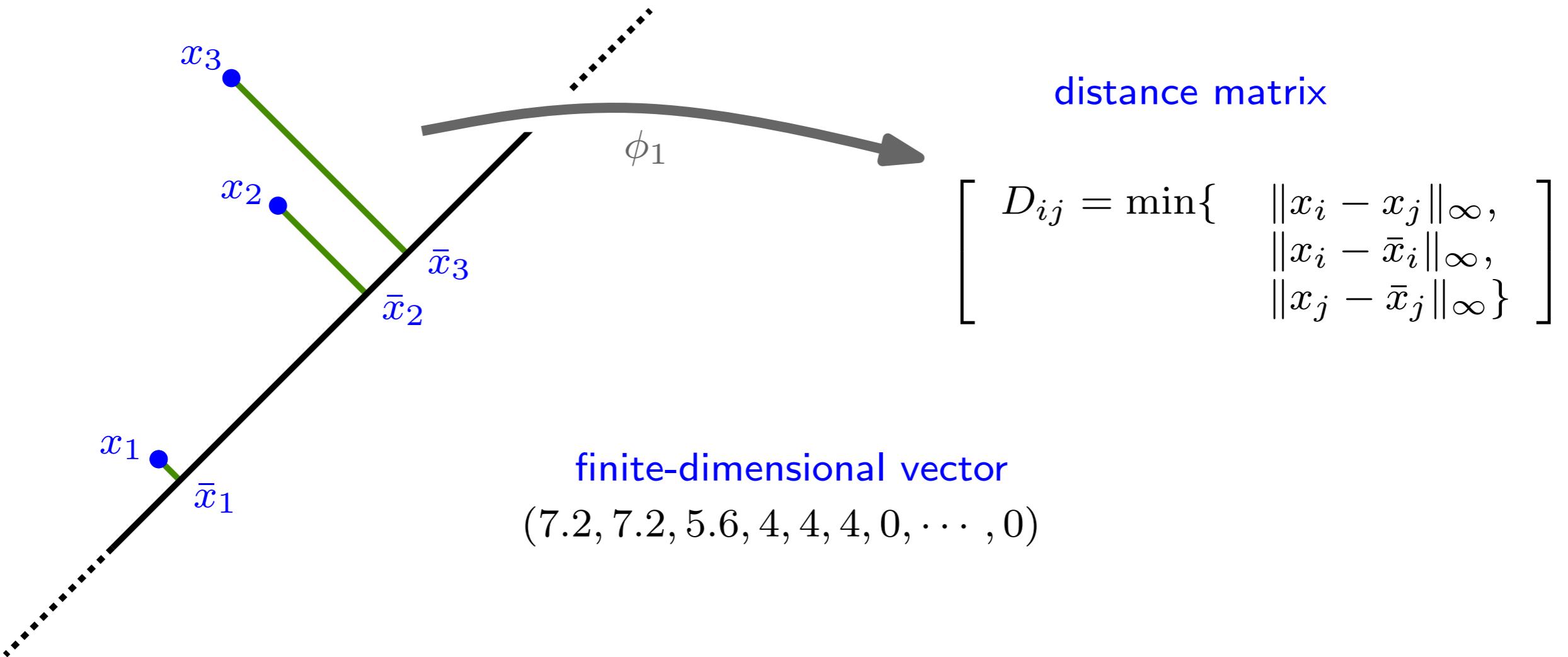
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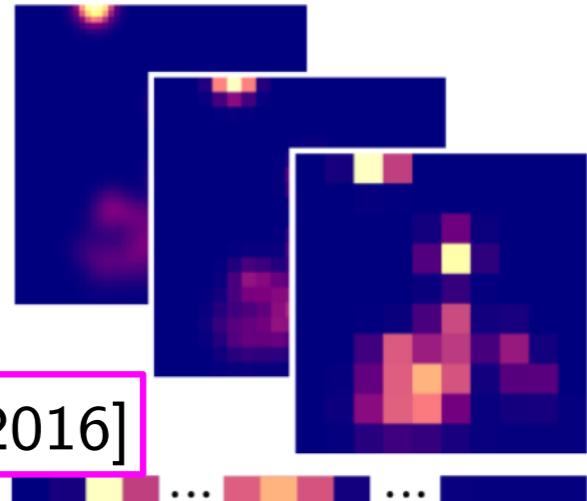
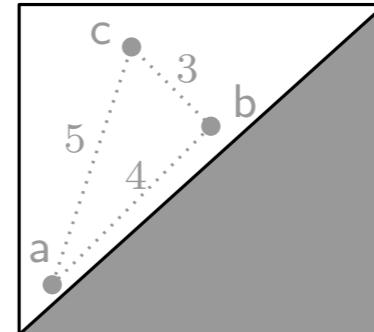
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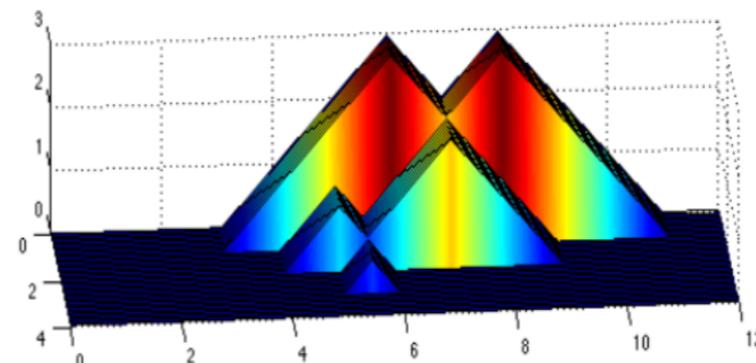
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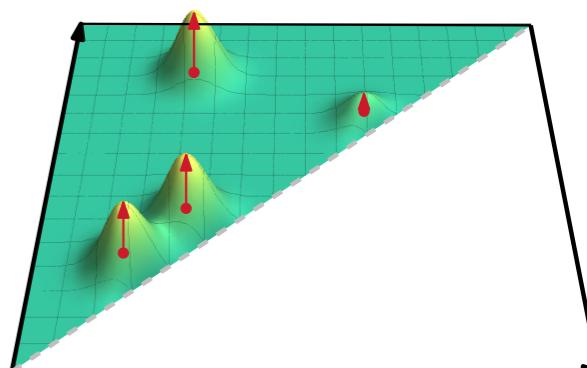
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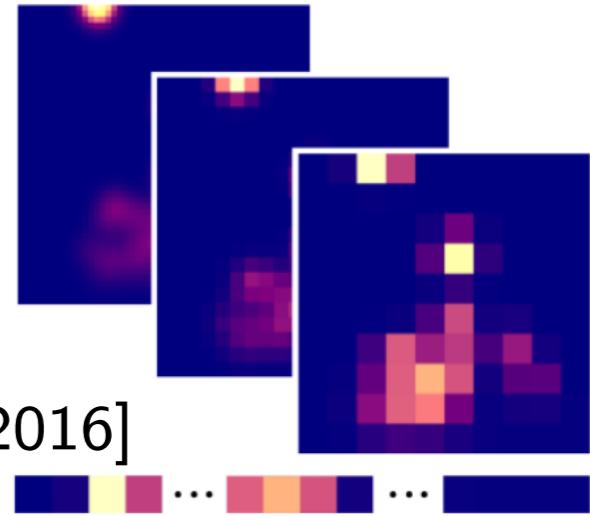
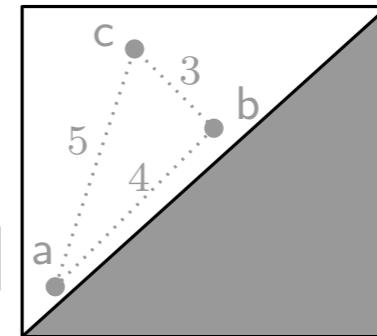
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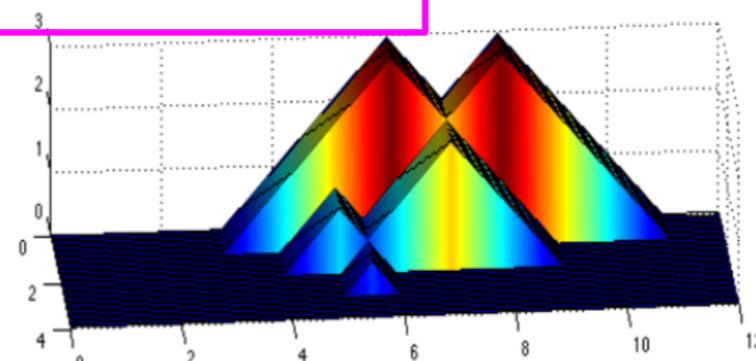
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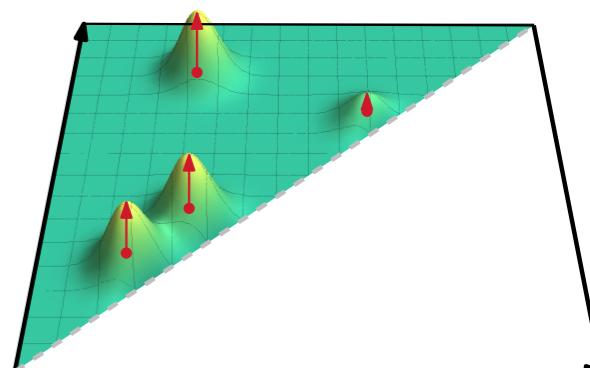
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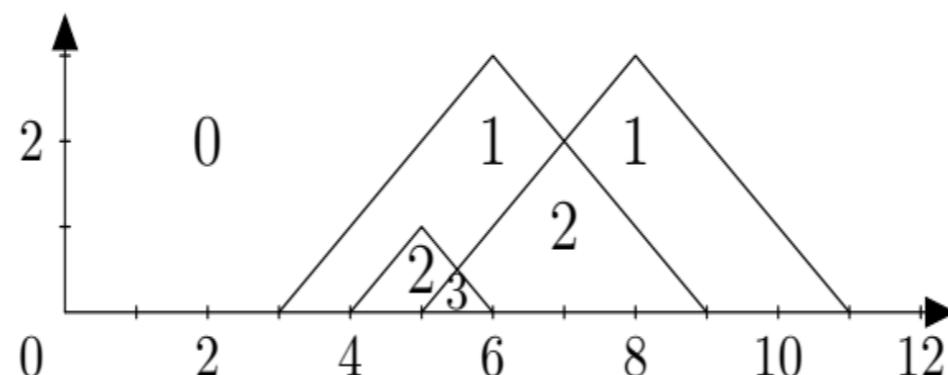
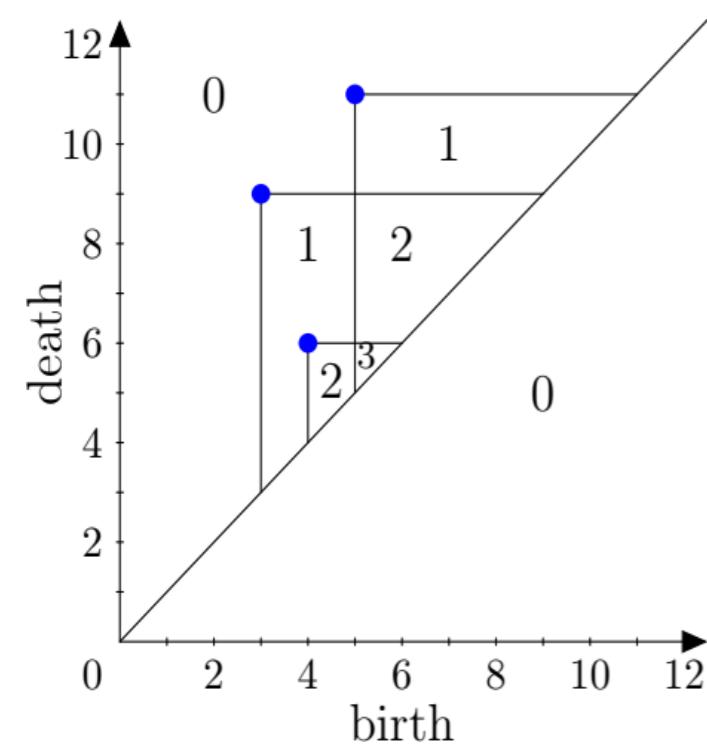


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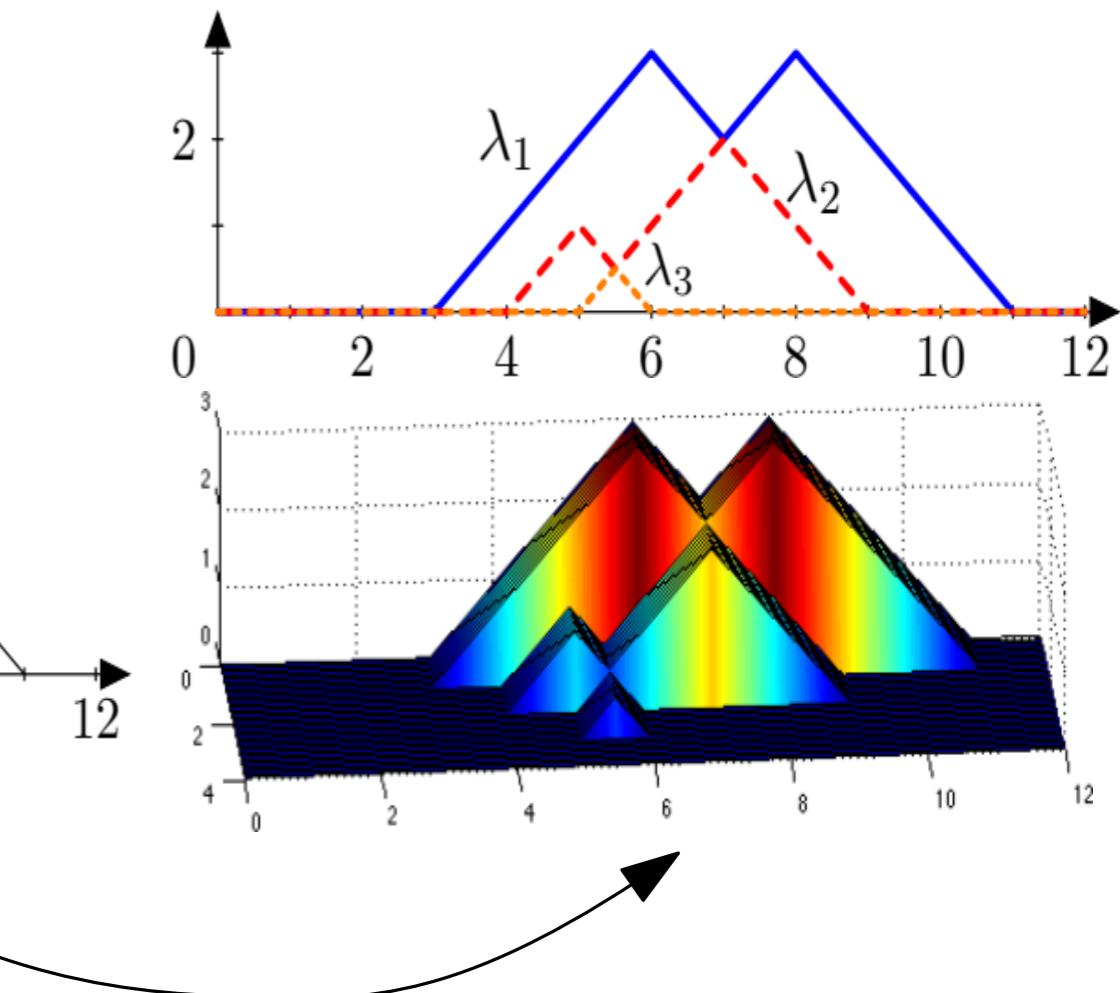
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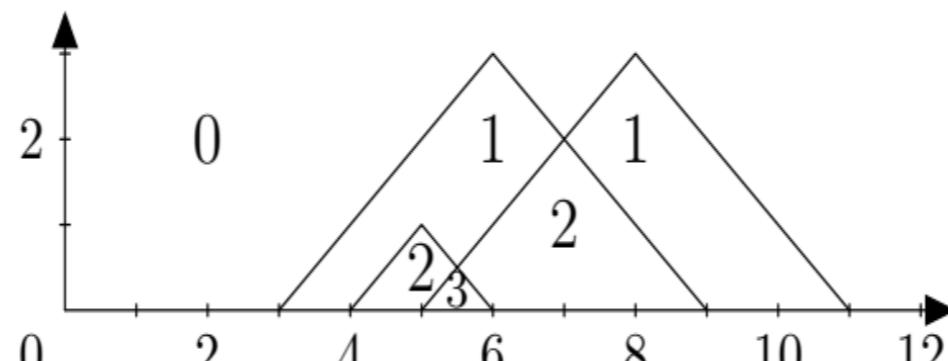
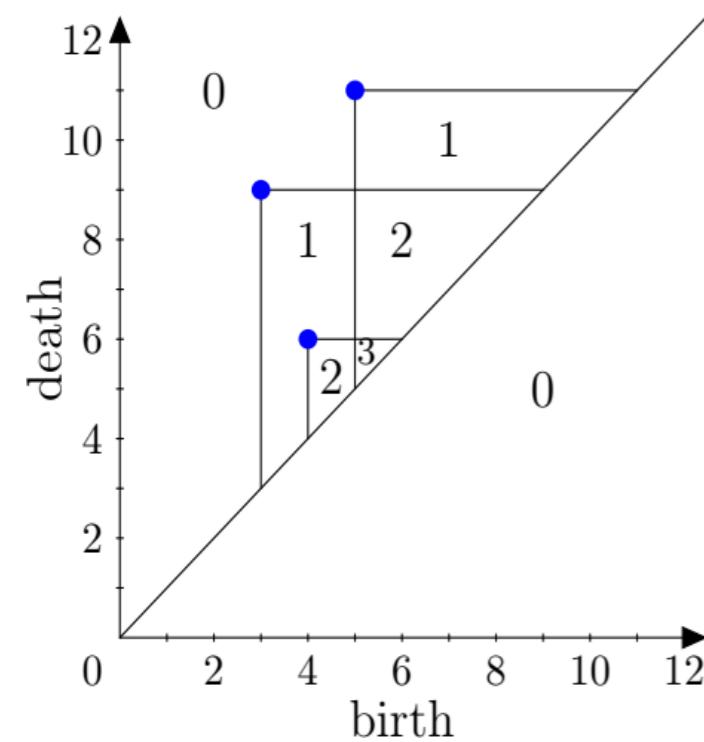


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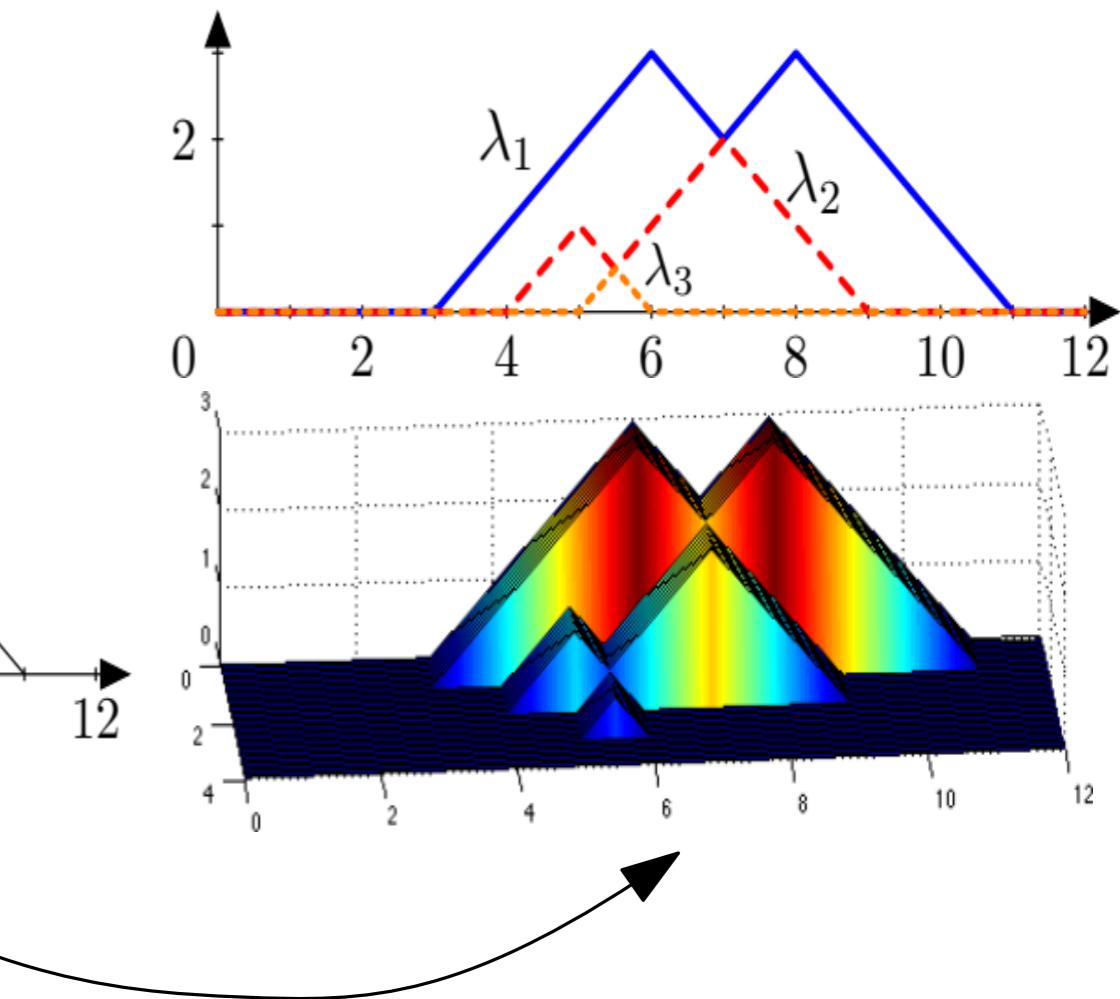


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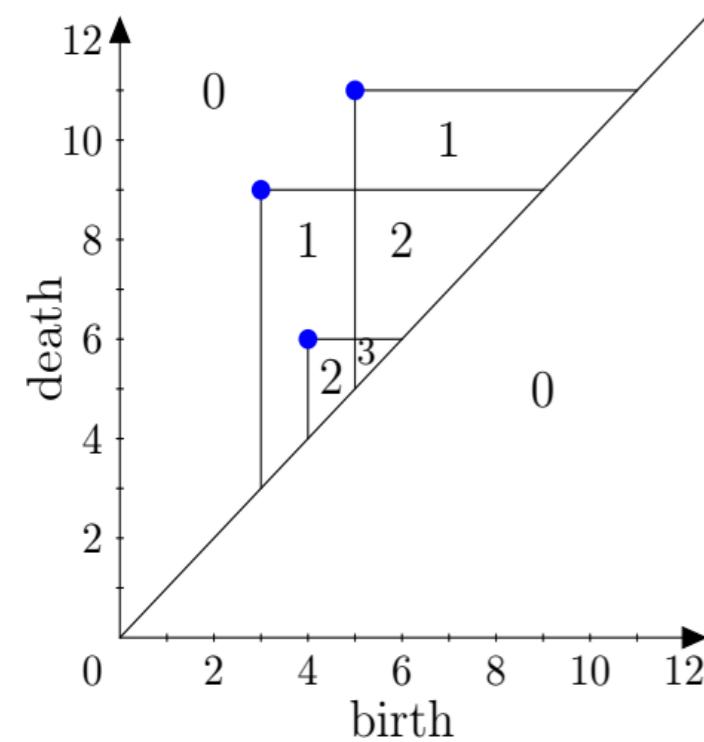
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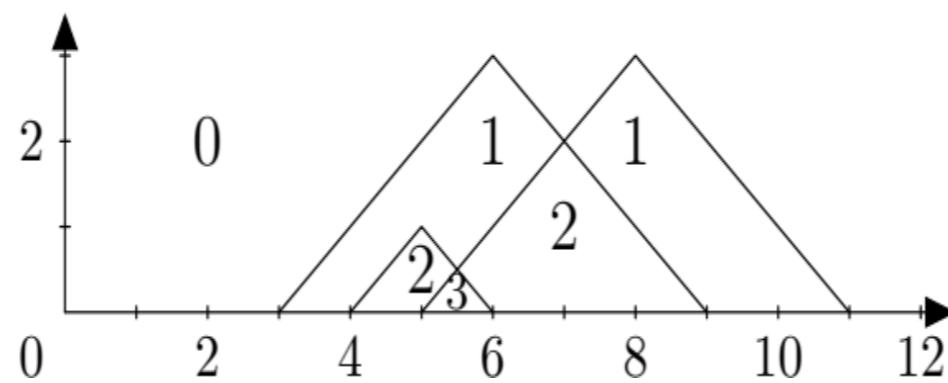
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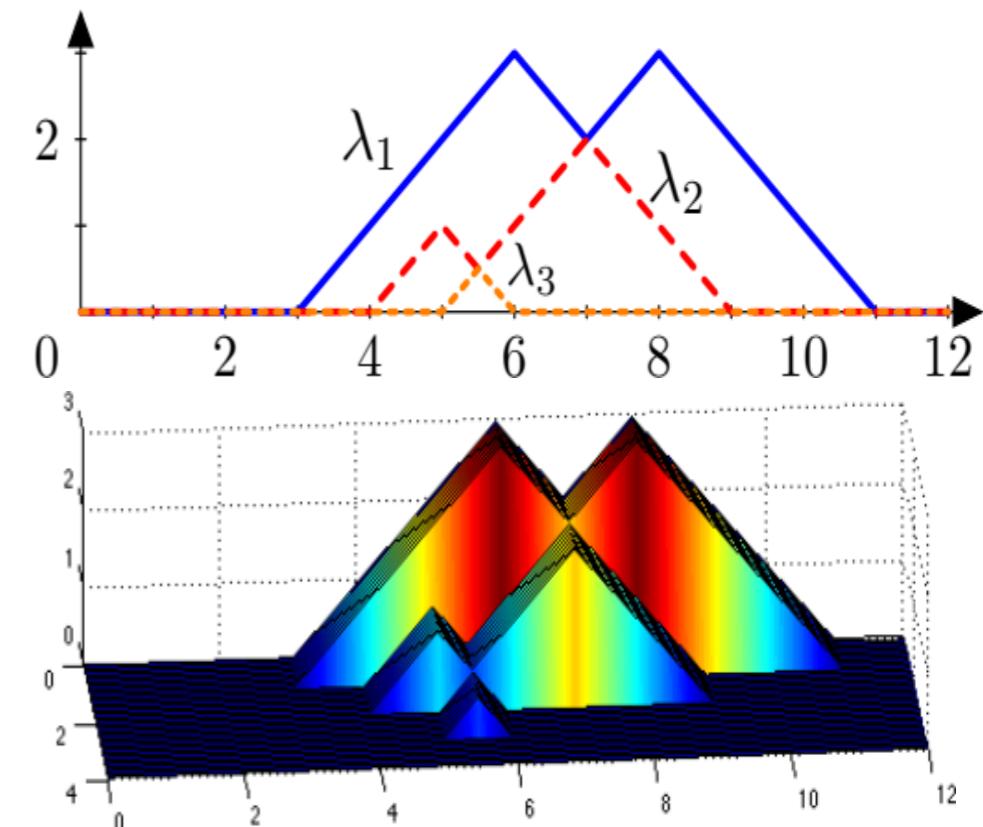
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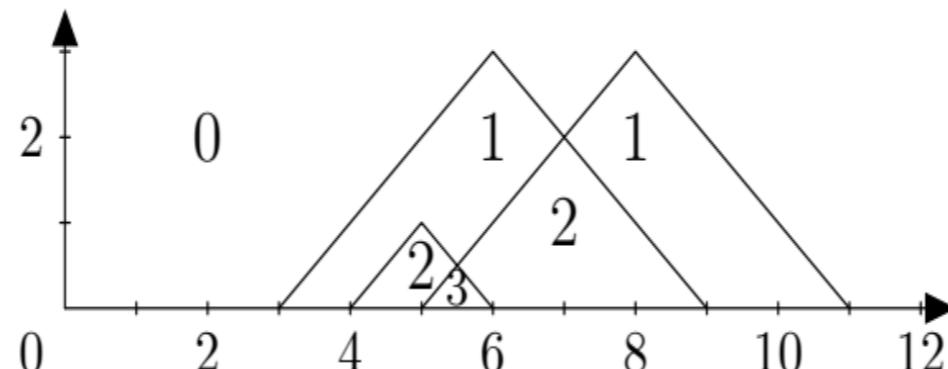
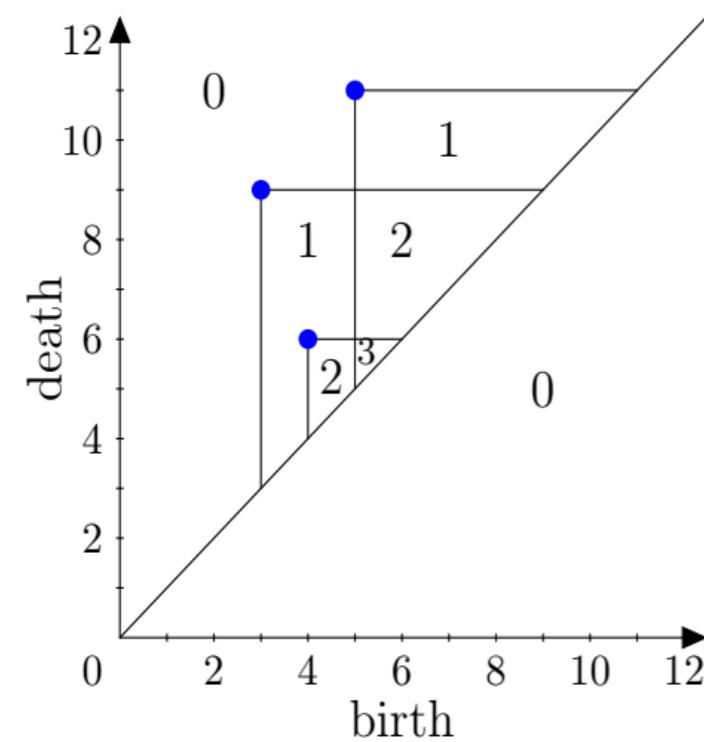


Boundaries of rank function: $\lambda_i(t) = \sup\{s \geq 0 : \lambda(t - s, t + s) \geq i\}$

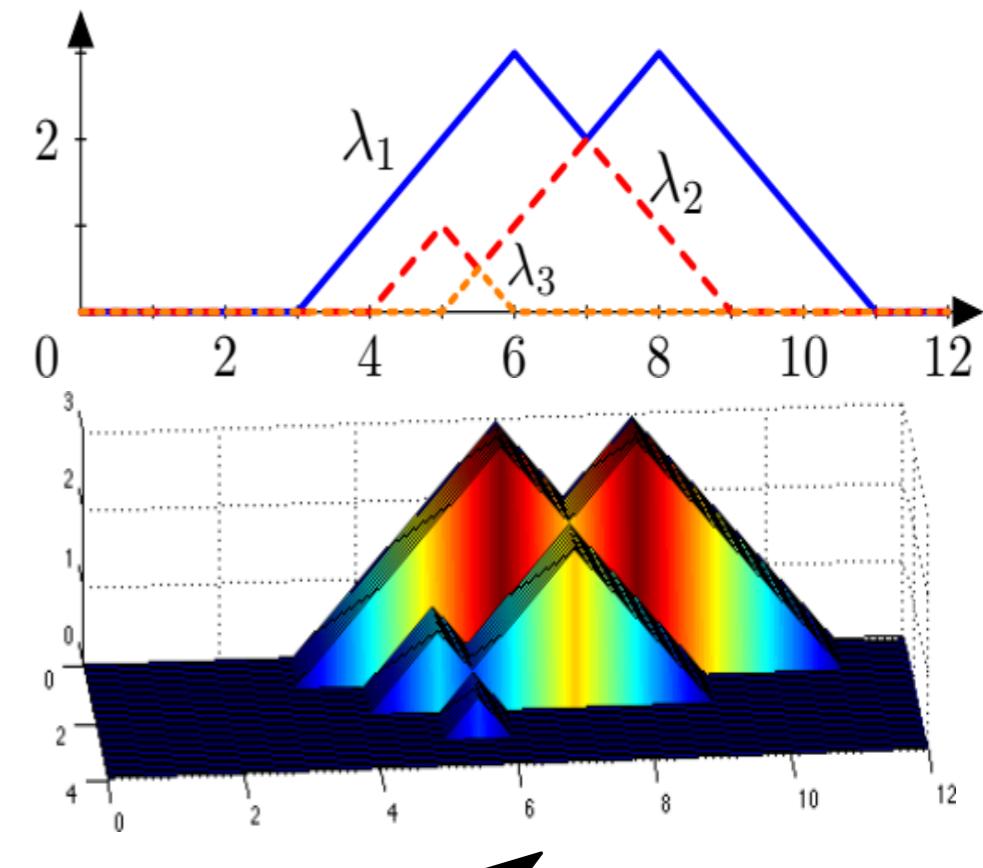
Landscape $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as: $\Lambda(i, t) = \lambda_{[i]}(t)$

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Prop:

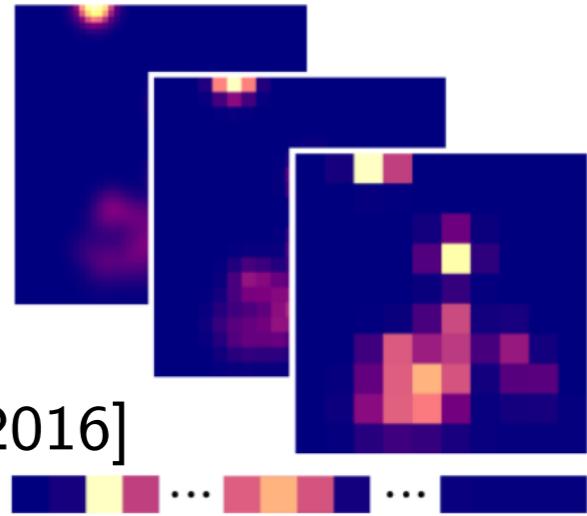
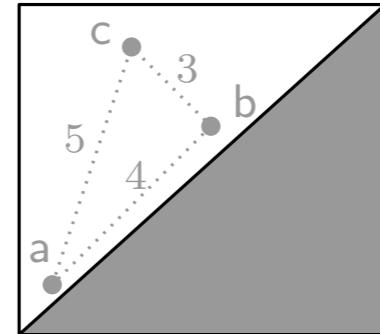
- $\|\Lambda(D) - \Lambda(D')\|_\infty \leq d_\infty(D, D')$
- $\min\{1, C(D, D')\} \|\Lambda(D) - \Lambda(D')\|_2 \leq d_2(D, D')$

Kernels for persistence diagrams

State of the Art: define ϕ explicitly (**vectorization**) via:

- **images** [Adams et al. 2015]

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ a & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ b & 4 & 0 & 3 \\ c & 5 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



- **finite metric spaces** [Carrière, O., Ovsjanikov 2015]

- **polynomial roots or evaluations** [Di Fabio, Ferri 2015] [Kališnik 2016]

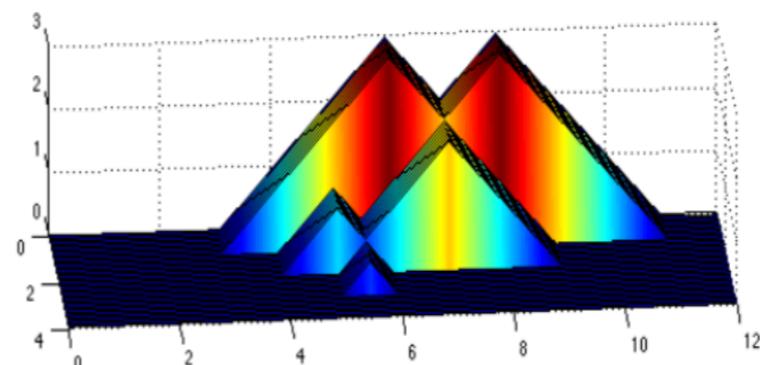
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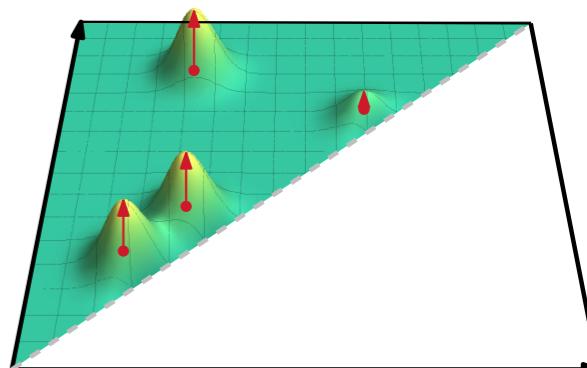
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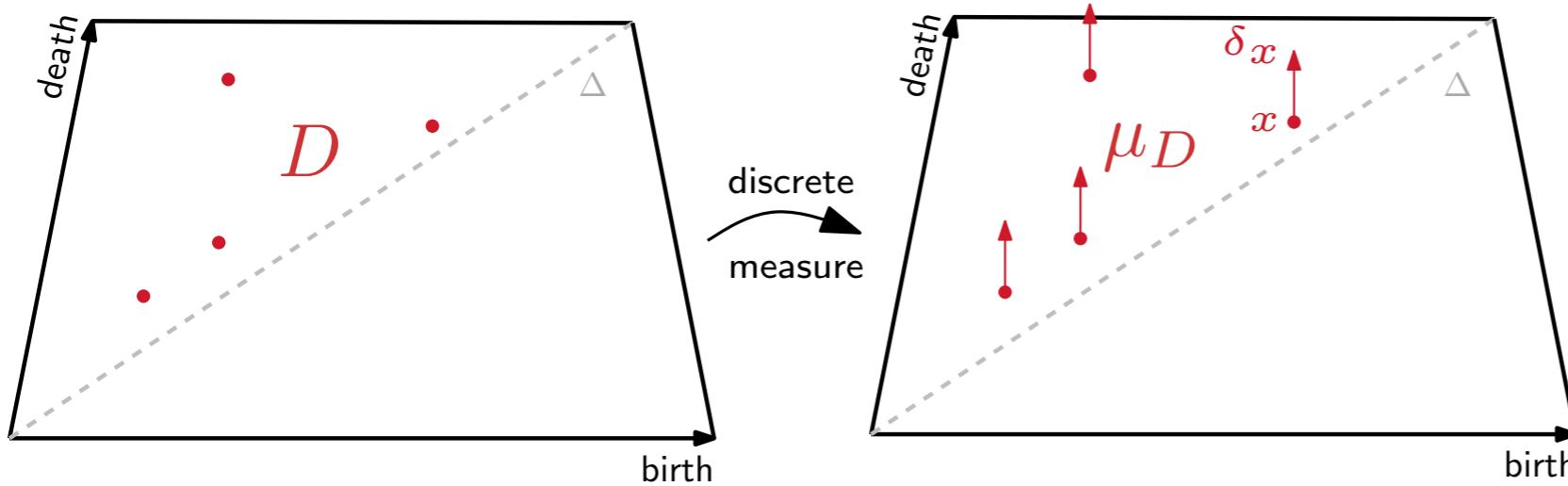


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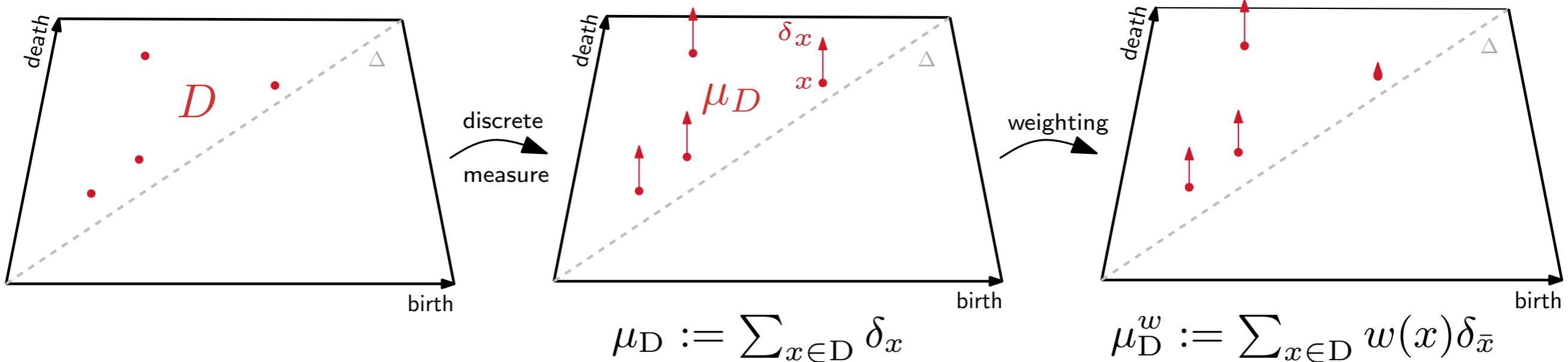
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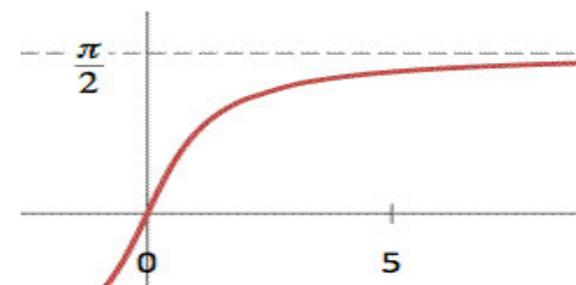
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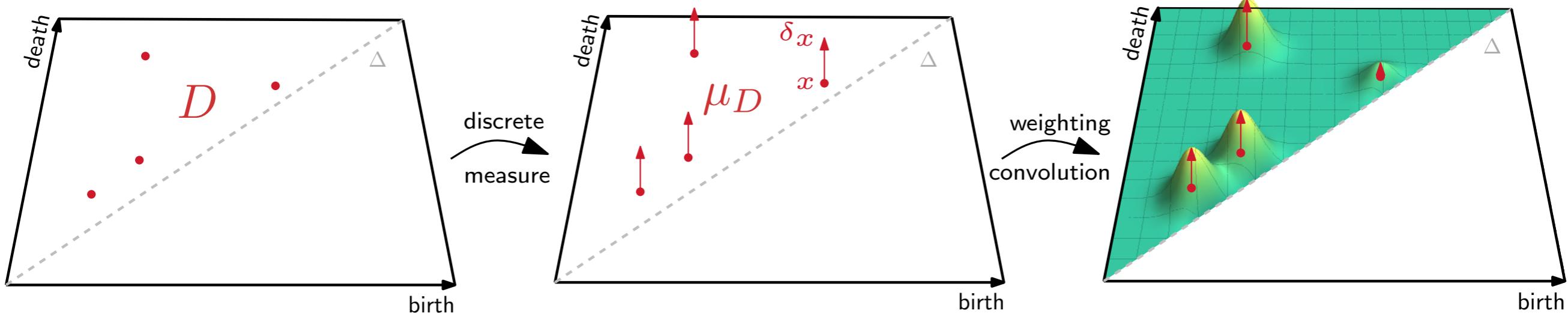
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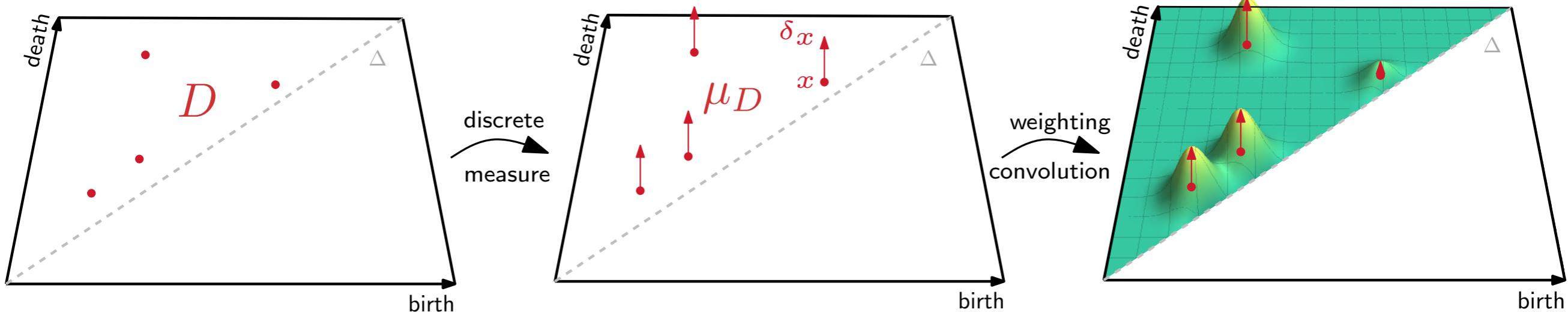
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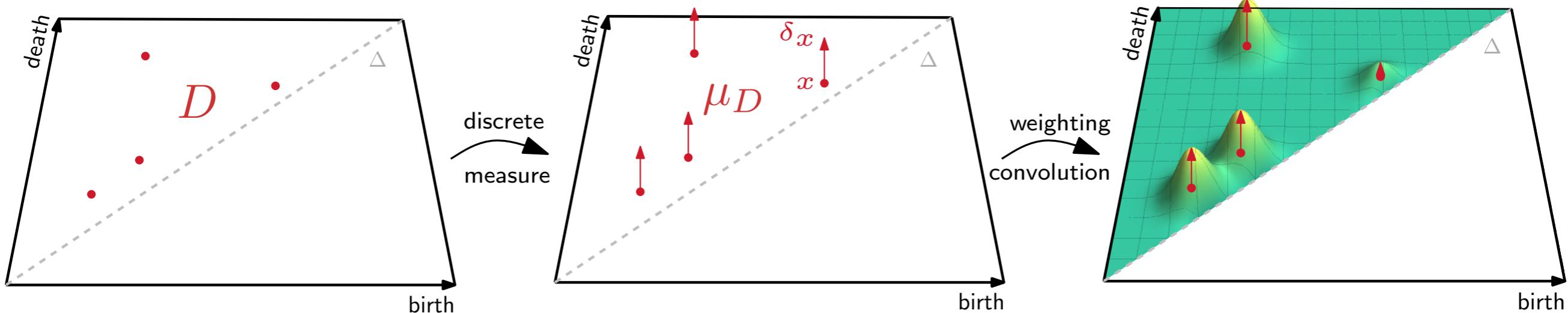
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Kernels for persistence diagrams

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ambient Hilbert space	$(\mathbb{R}^d, \ \cdot\ _2)$	$(\mathbb{R}^d, \ \cdot\ _2)$	$\ell_2(\mathbb{R})$	$L_2(\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R})$	$L_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$
positive (semi-)definiteness	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\ \phi(\cdot) - \phi(\cdot)\ _{\mathcal{H}} \leq \phi(d_p)$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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injectivity	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
universality	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
algorithmic cost	f. map: $O(n^2)$ kernel: $O(d)$	f. map: $O(n^2)$ kernel: $O(d)$	f. map: $O(nd)$ kernel: $O(d)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$

One kernel to rule them all...

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Sliced Wasserstein Kernel

No feature map

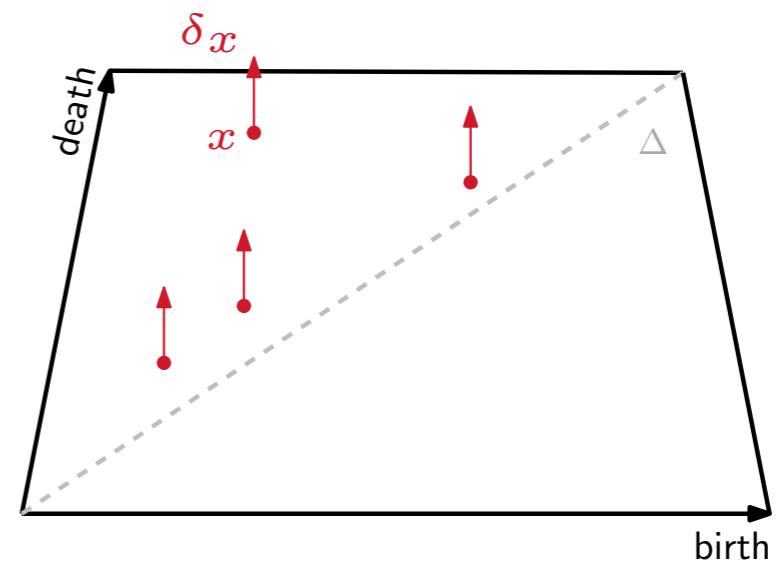
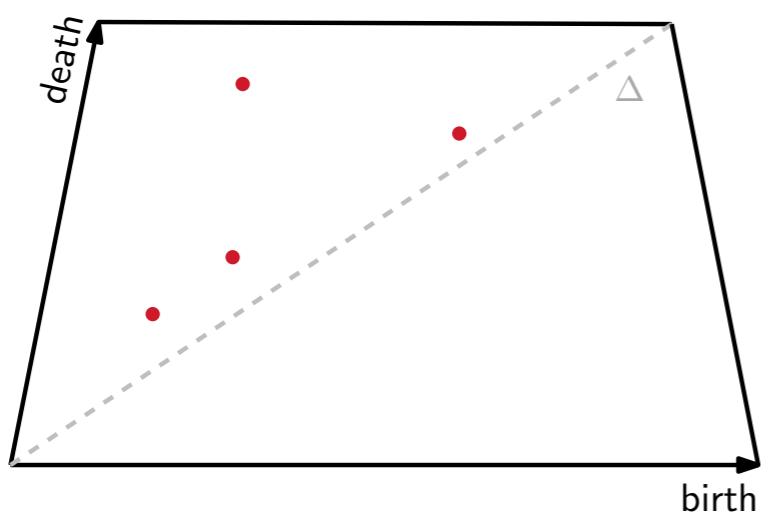
Provably stable

Provably **discriminative**

Mimicks the Gaussian kernel

View diagrams as discrete measures w/o density functions

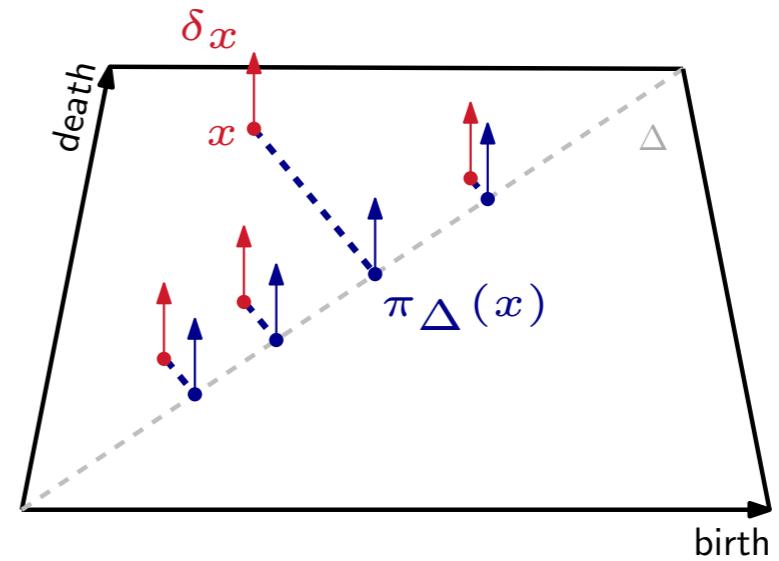
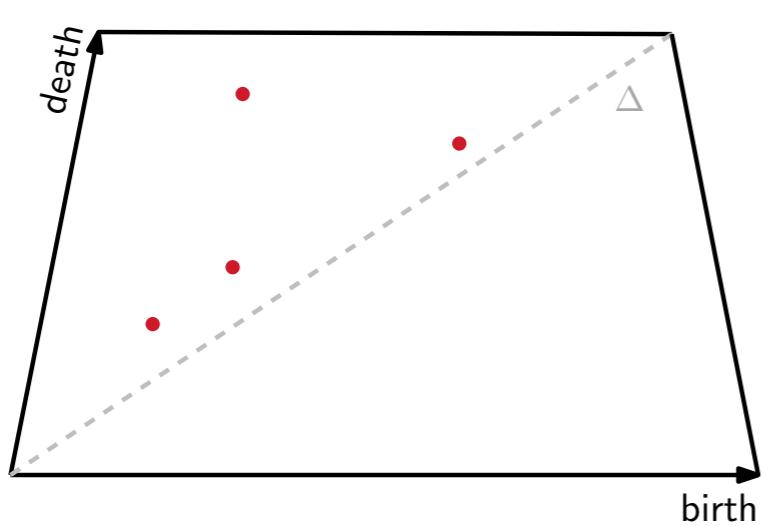
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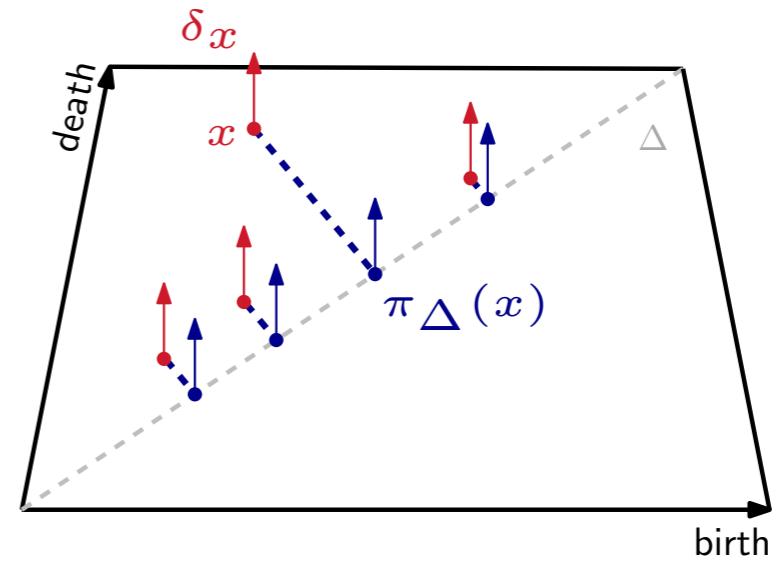
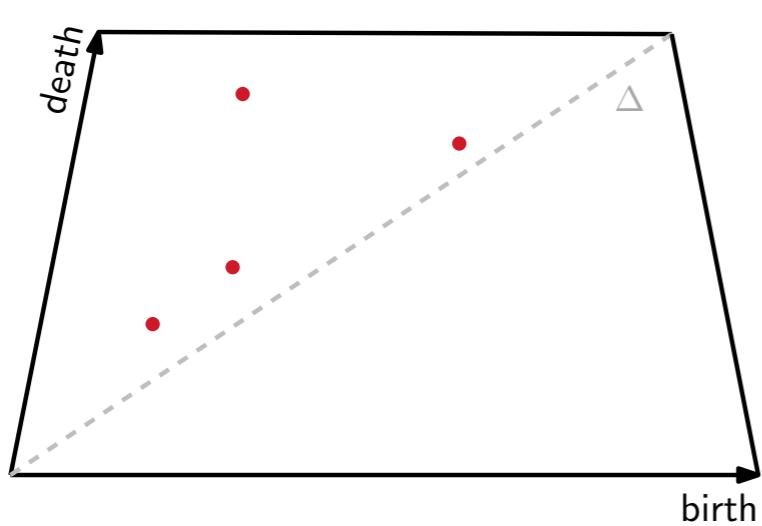
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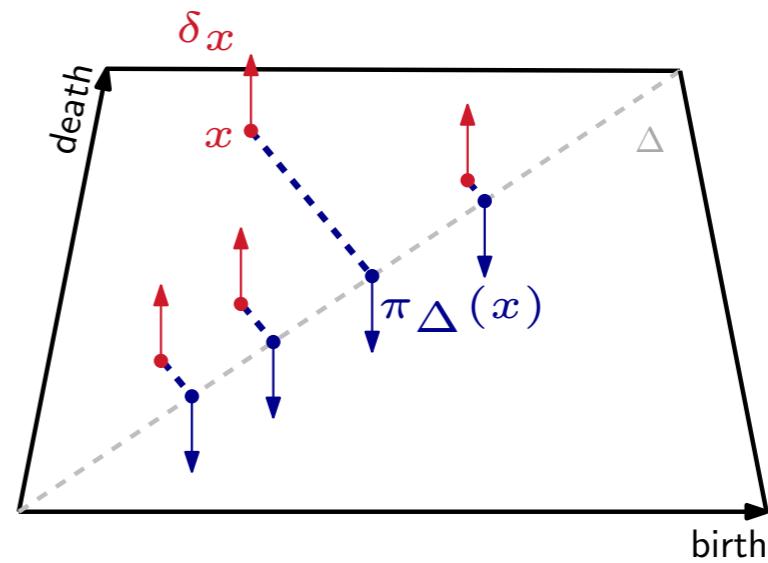
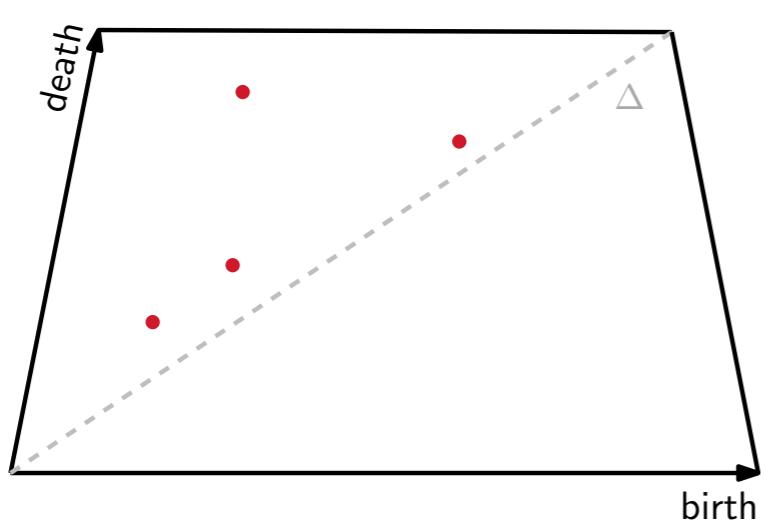
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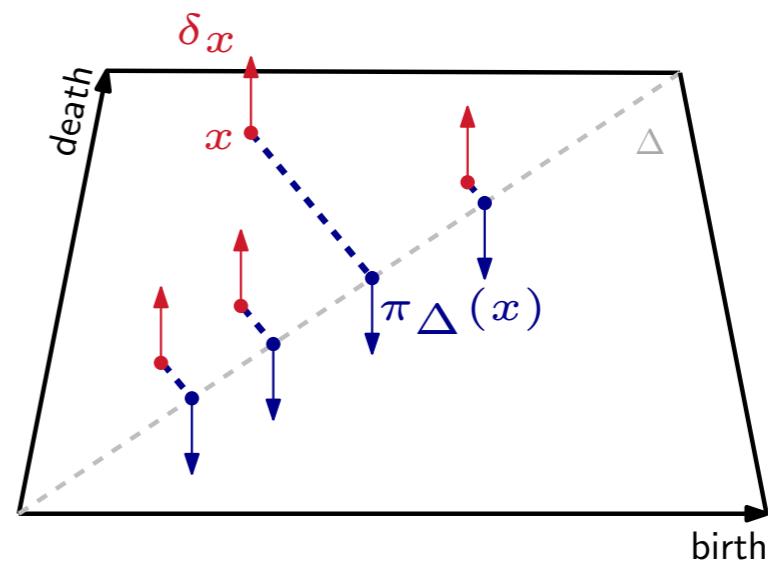
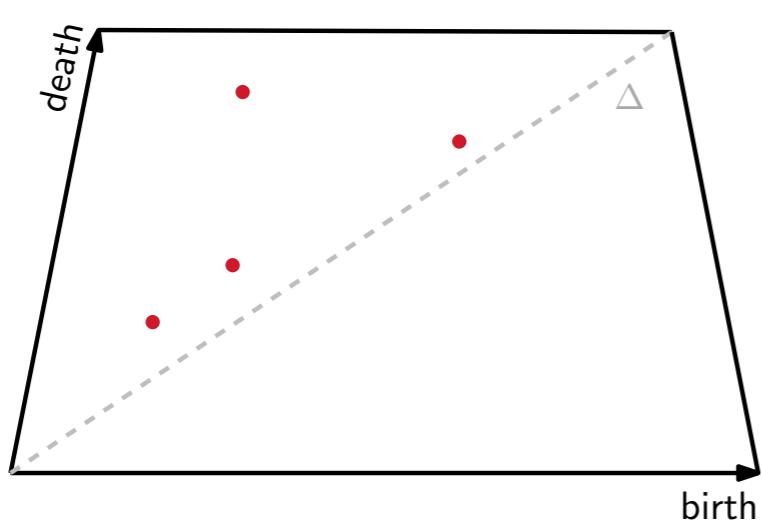
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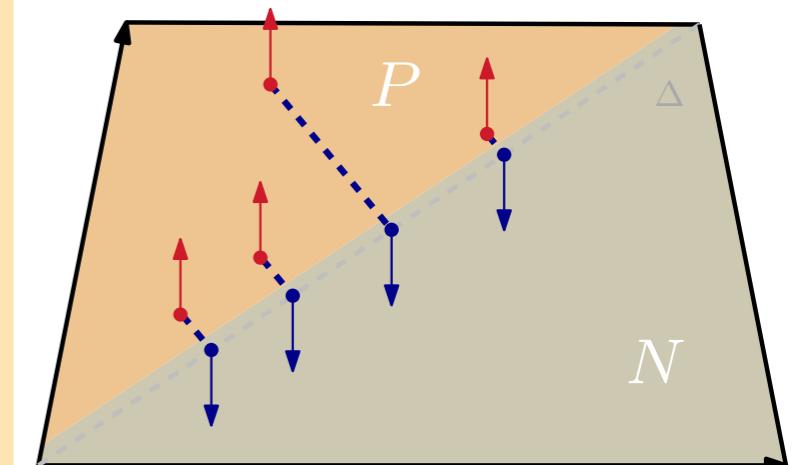
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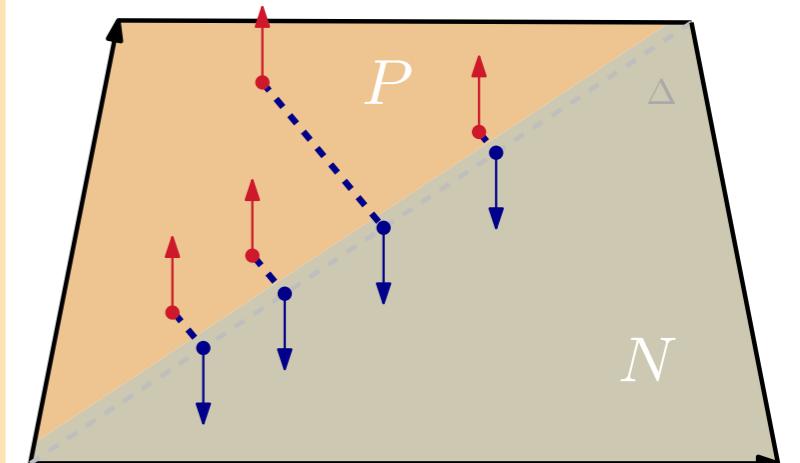
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A Wasserstein Gaussian kernel for PDs?

Thm:

If $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ symmetric is *conditionally negative semidefinite*, i.e.:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in X, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 0 \implies \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j d(x_i, x_j) \leq 0,$$

then $k(x, y) := \exp\left(-\frac{d(x, y)}{2\sigma^2}\right)$ is positive semidefinite.

Pb: W_1 is not cnsd, neither is d_1

Solutions:

- relax the measures (e.g. convolution)
- relax the metric (e.g. regularization, *slicing*)

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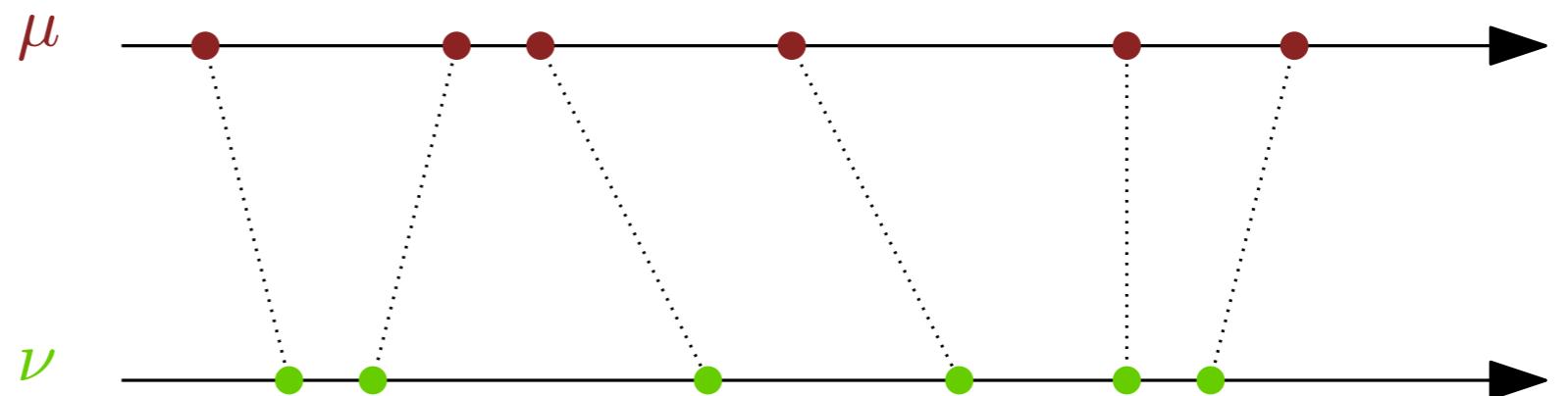
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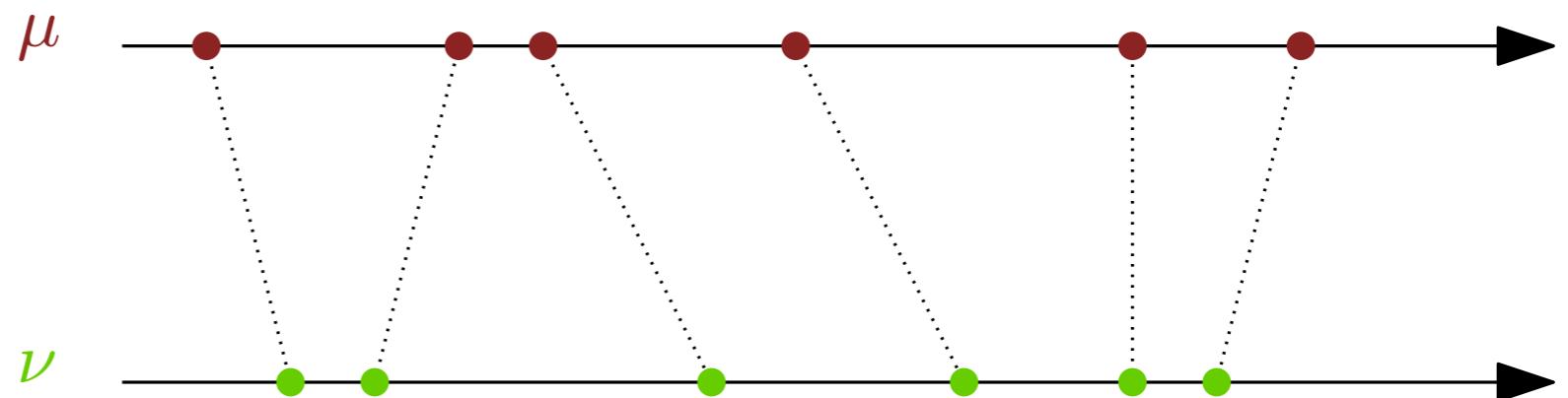
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→ W_1 is cnsd and easy to compute (same with $\|\cdot\|_K$ for signed measures)

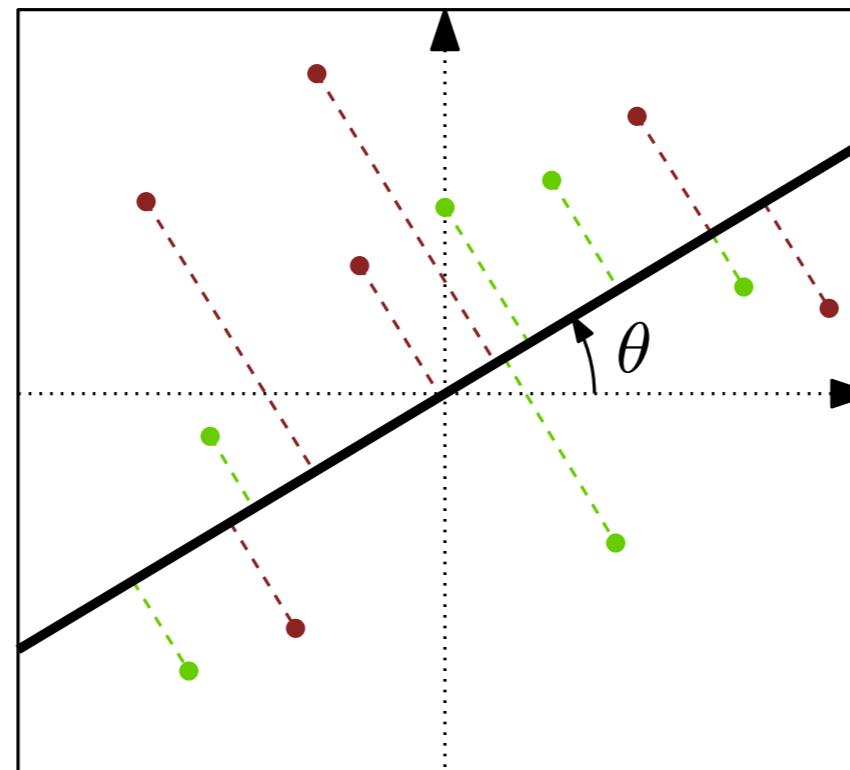
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→ from integral geometry: $\int_{\text{Gr}(1,2)} \dots$

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Props: (inherited from W_1 over \mathbb{R})

- satisfies the axioms of a metric
- well-defined barycenters, fast to compute via stochastic gradient descent, etc.
- conditionally negative semidefinite

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Cor: (from SW cnsd)
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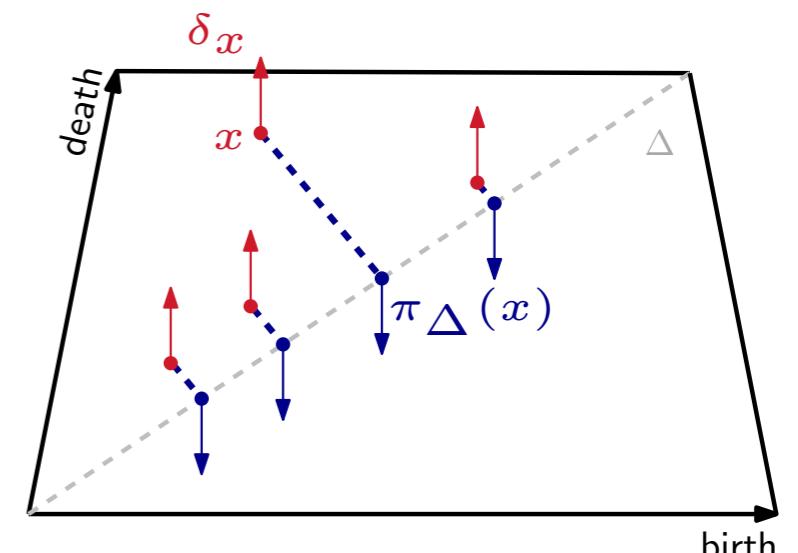
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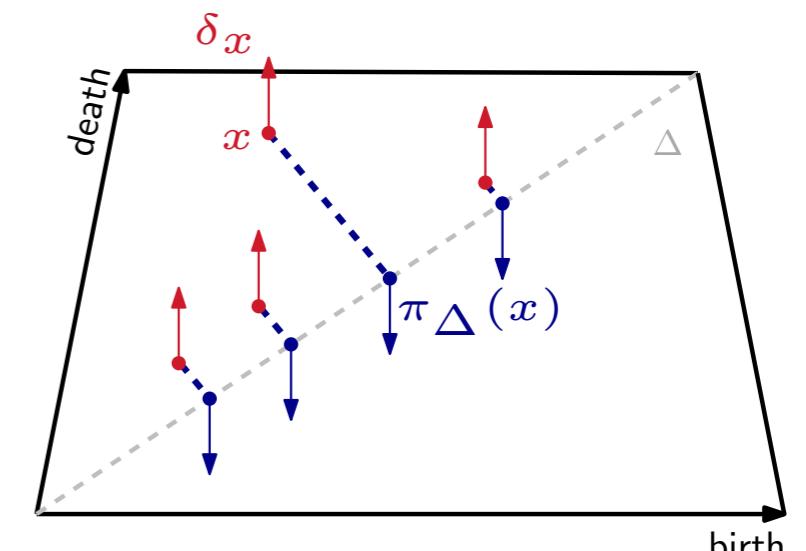
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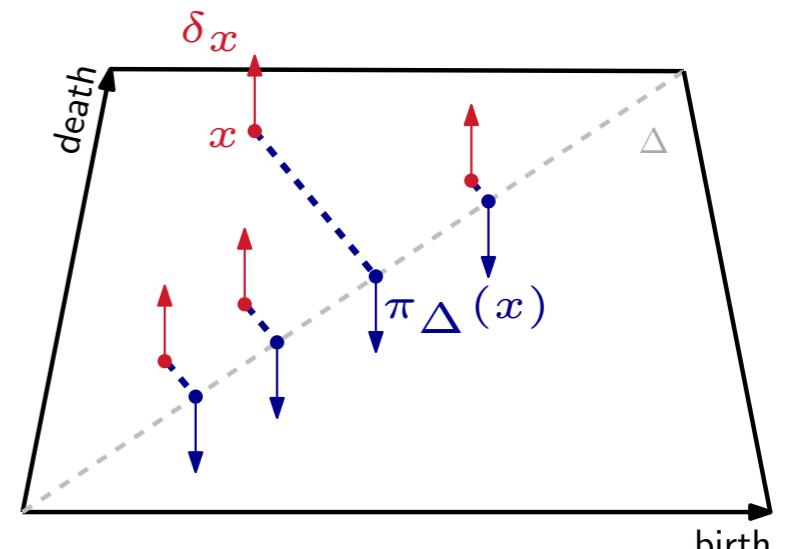
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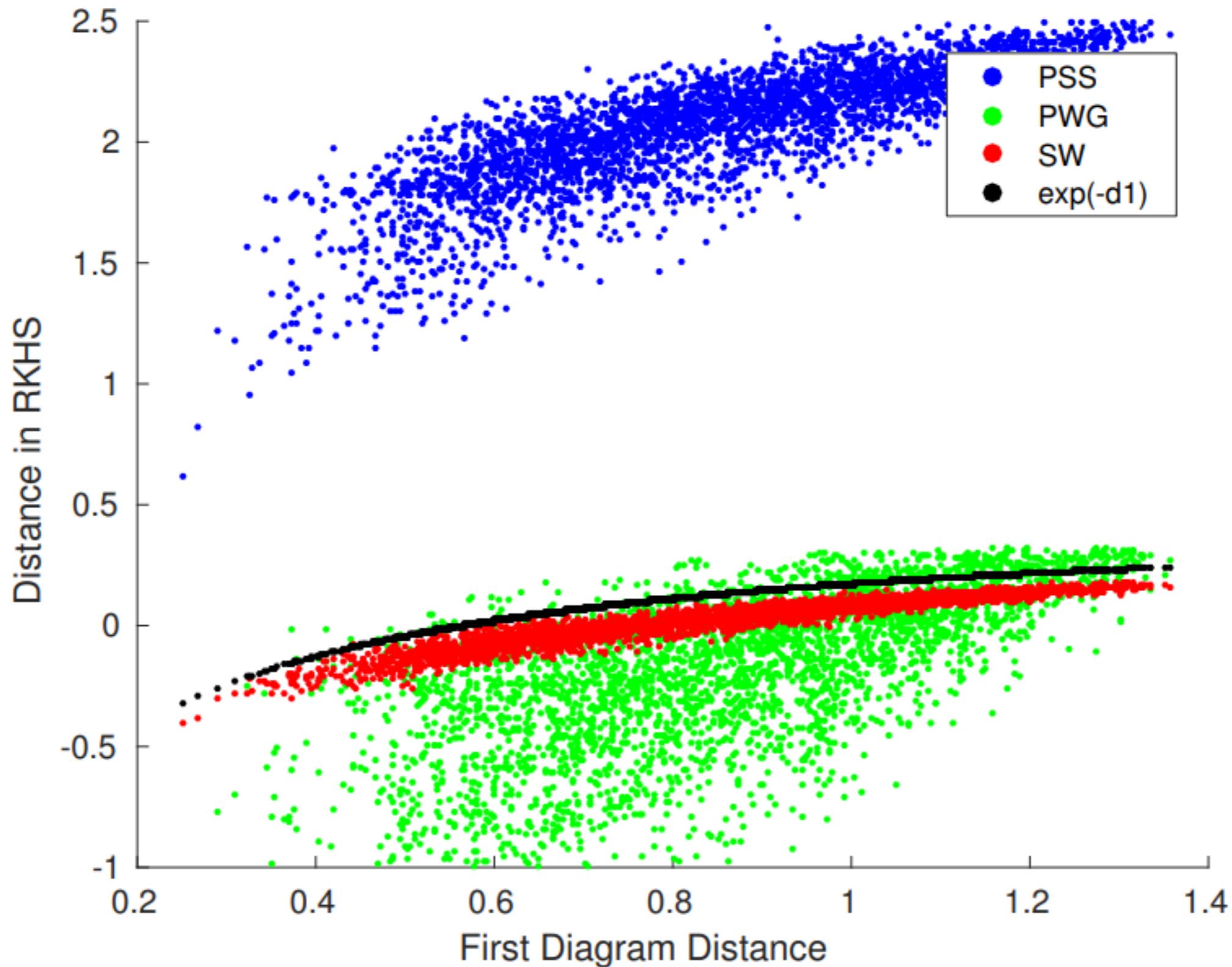
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Metric distortion in practice

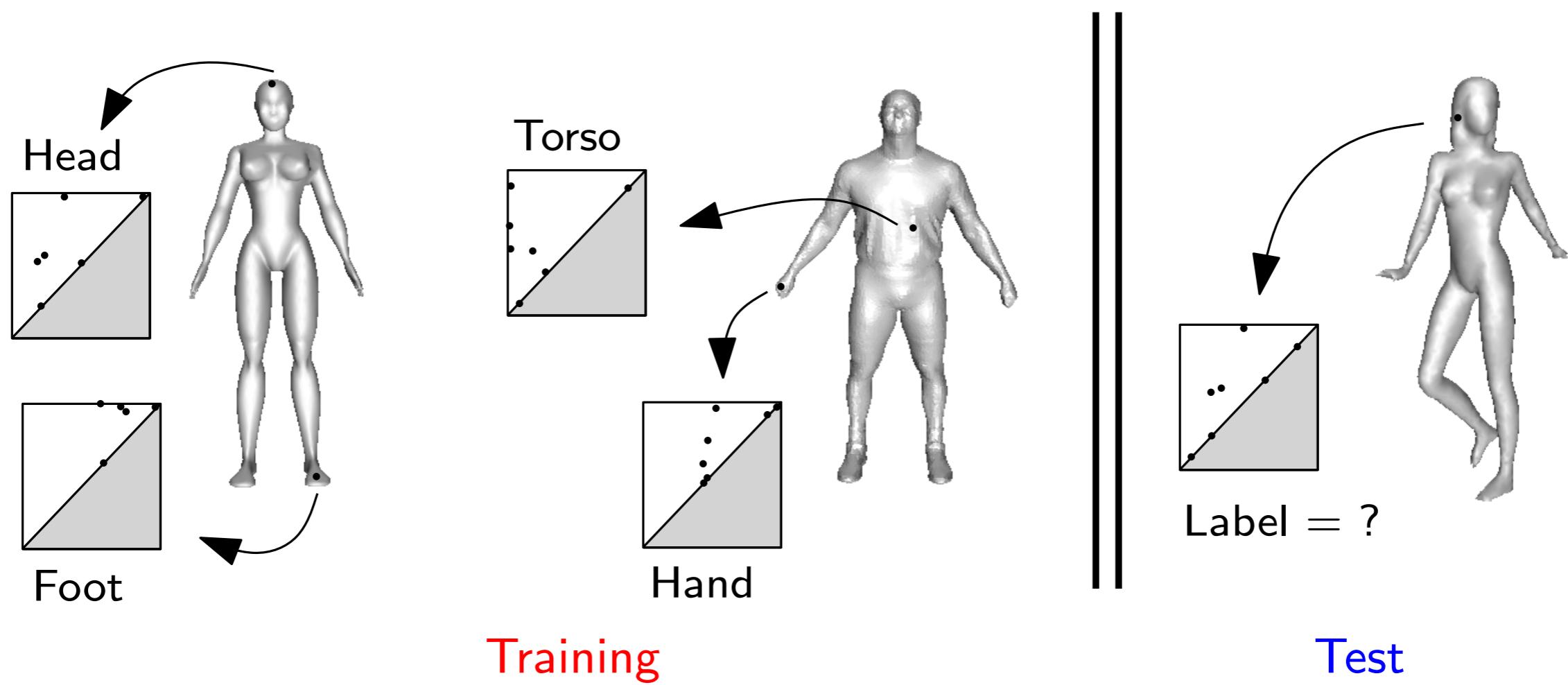


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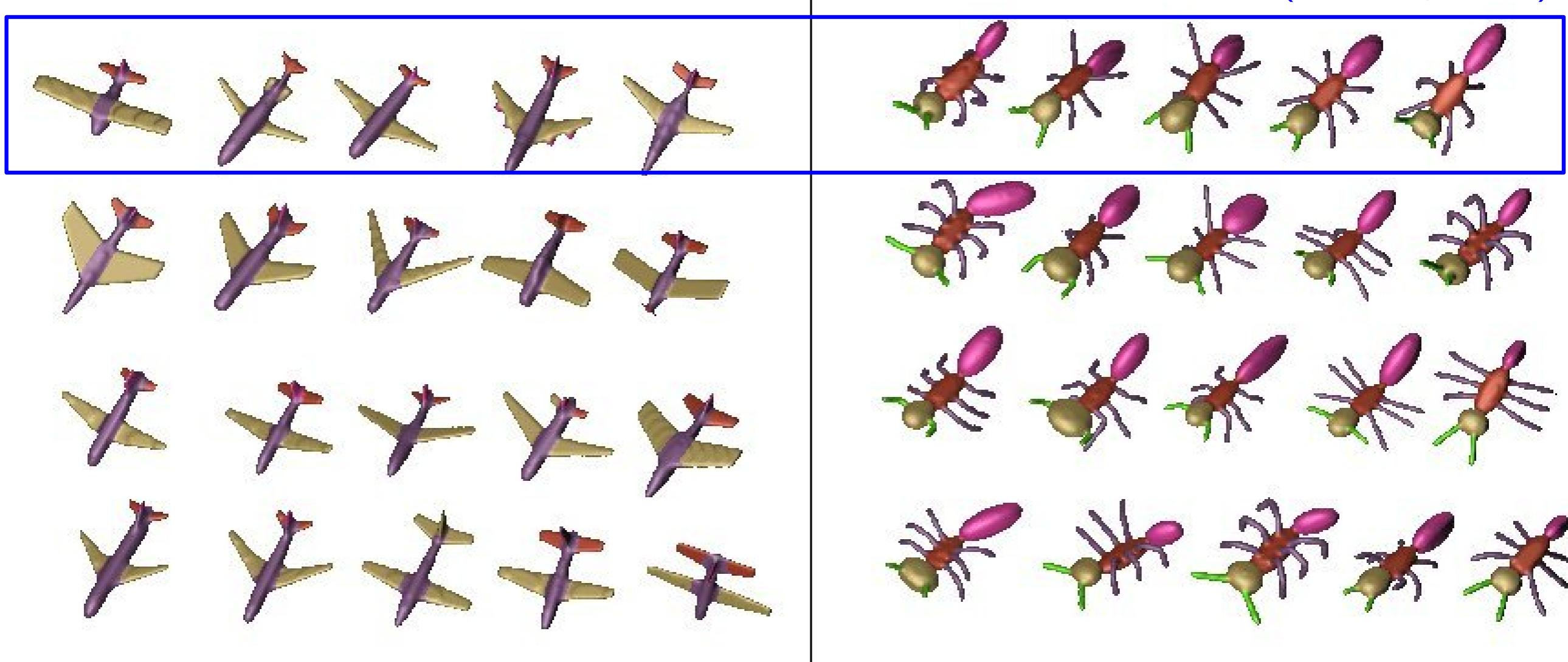
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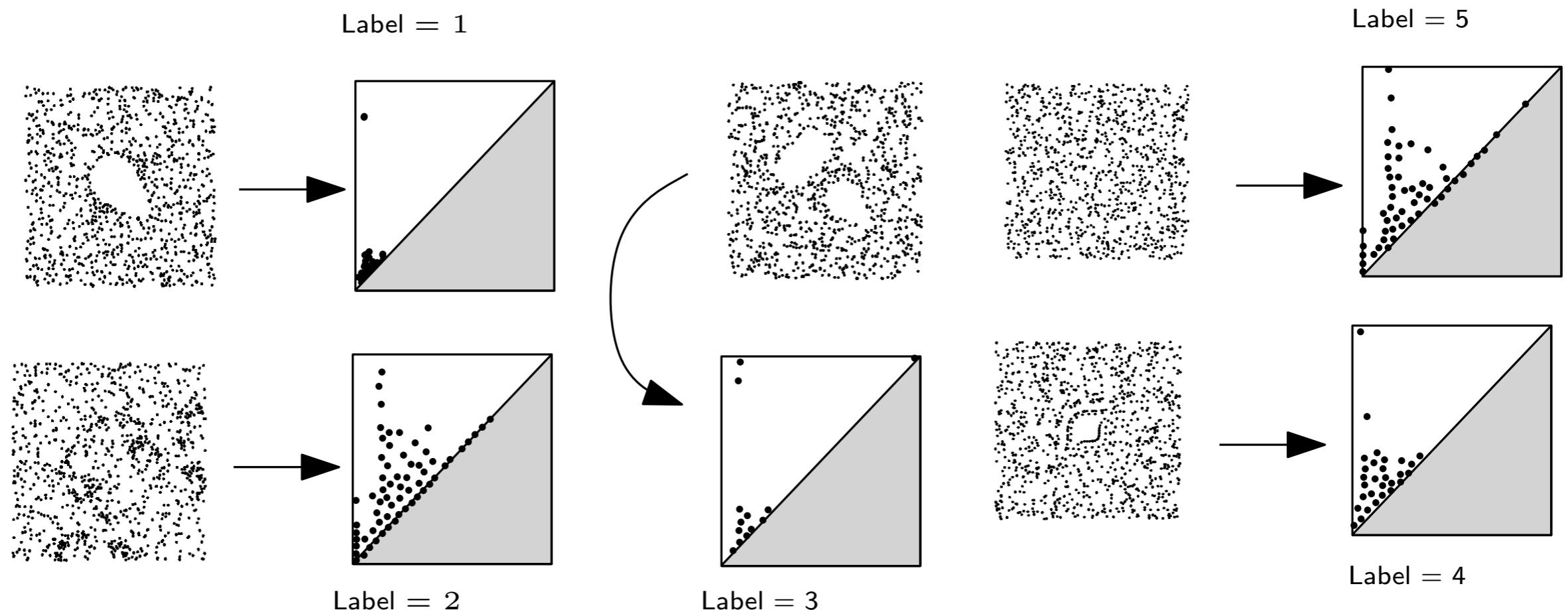
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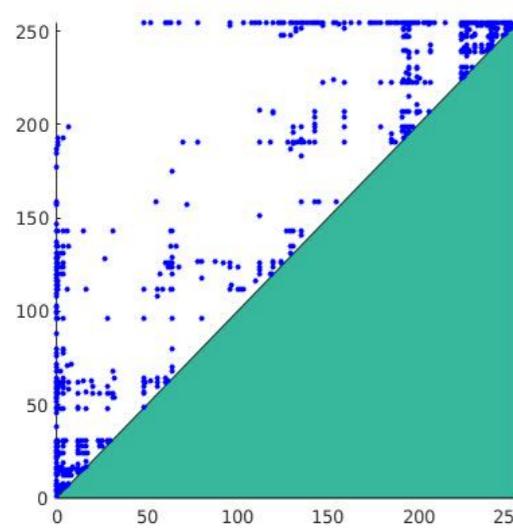
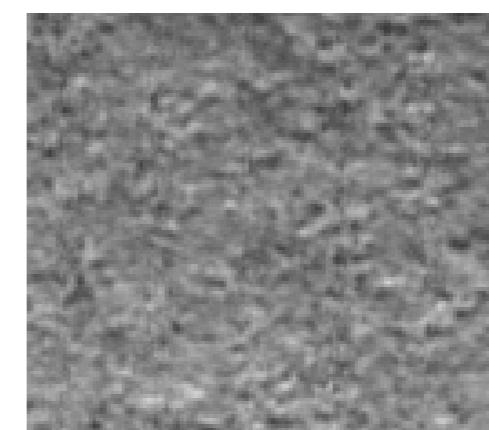
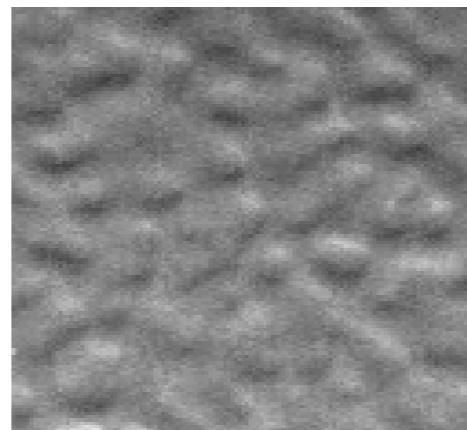
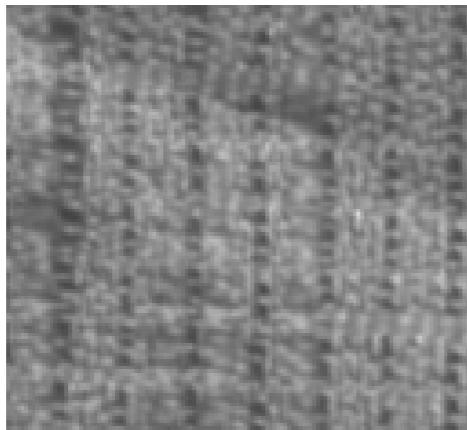
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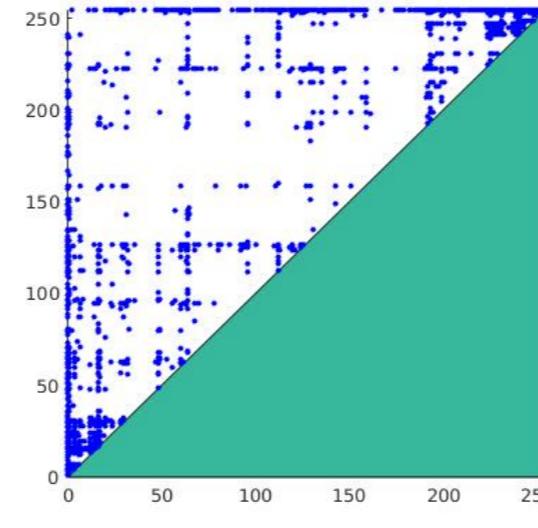
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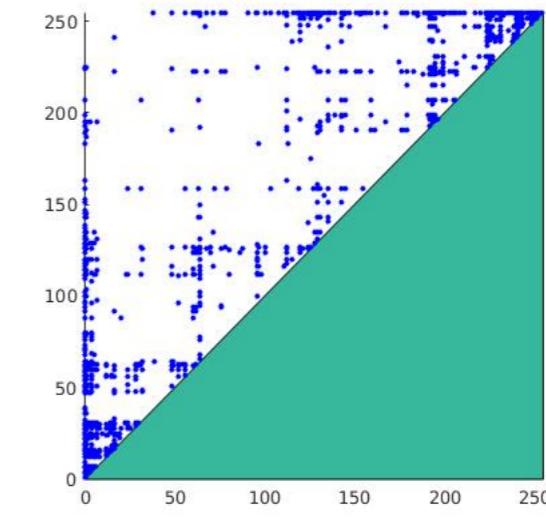
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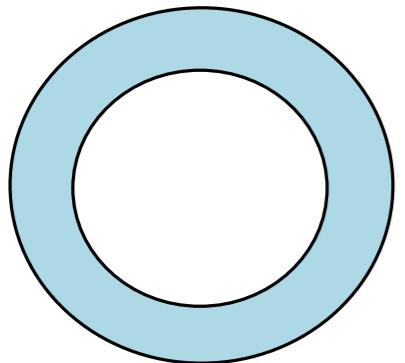
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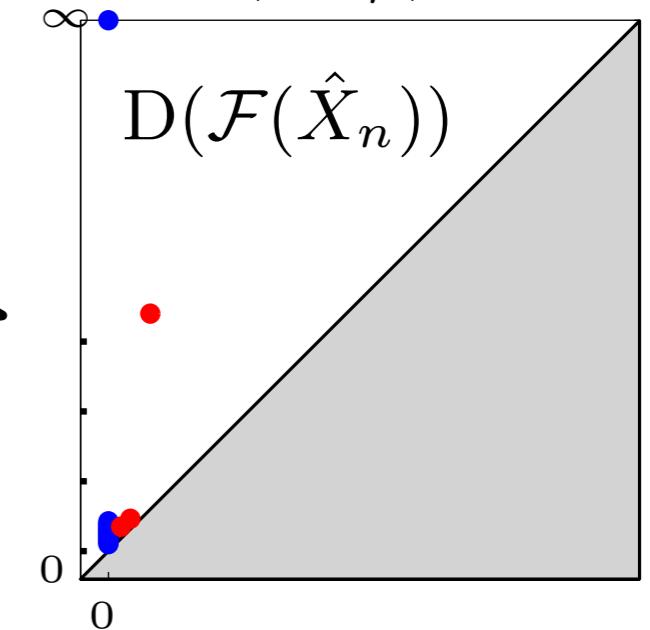
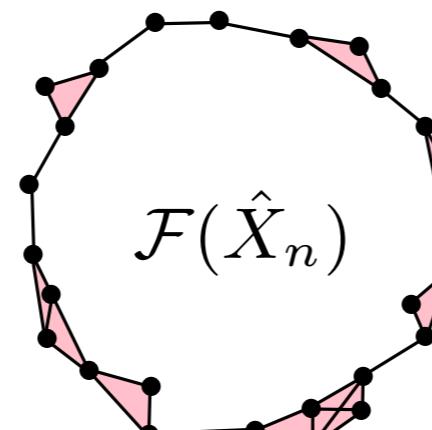
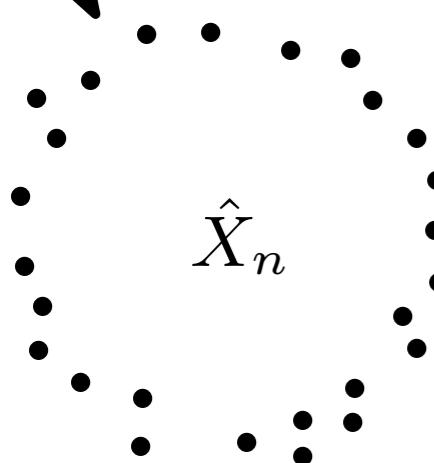
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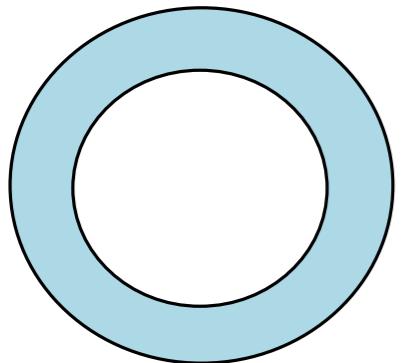
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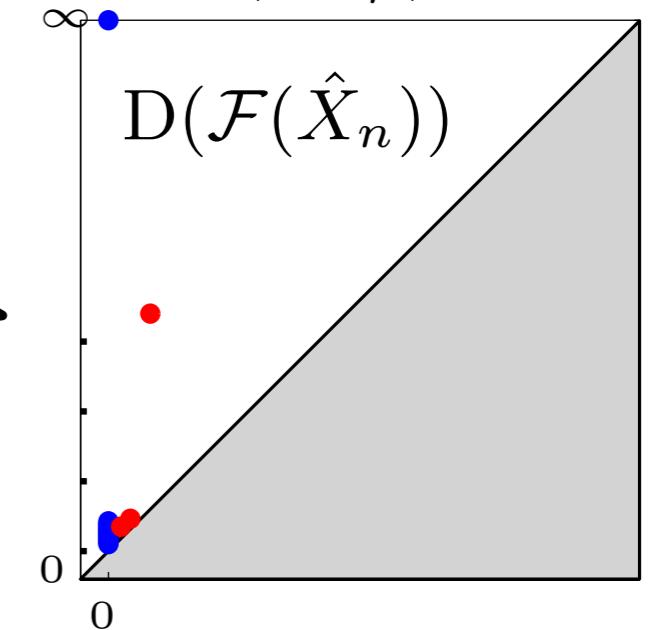
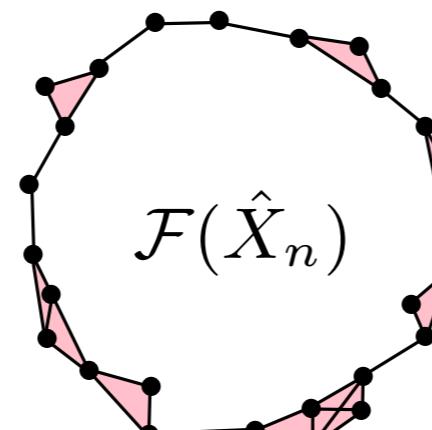
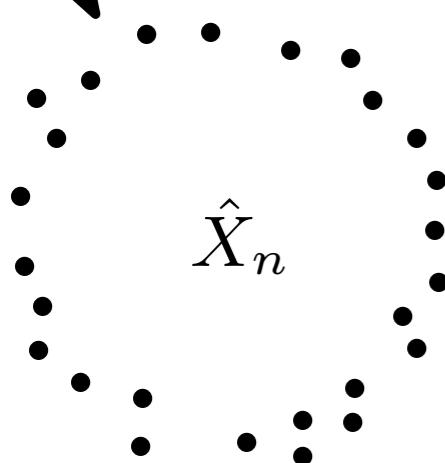
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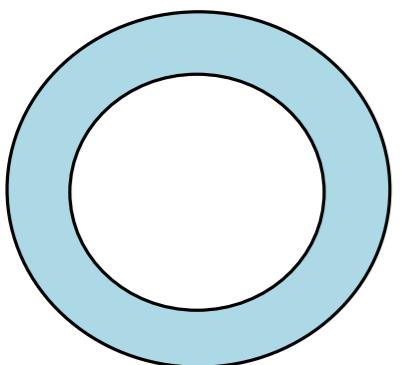
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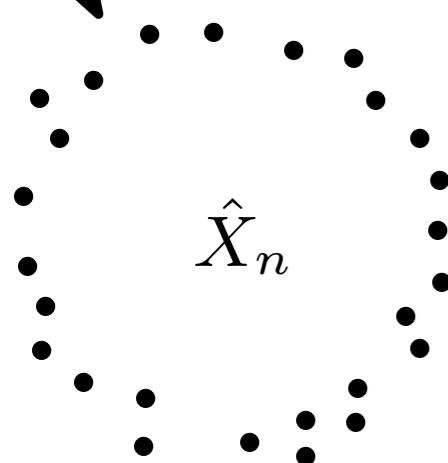
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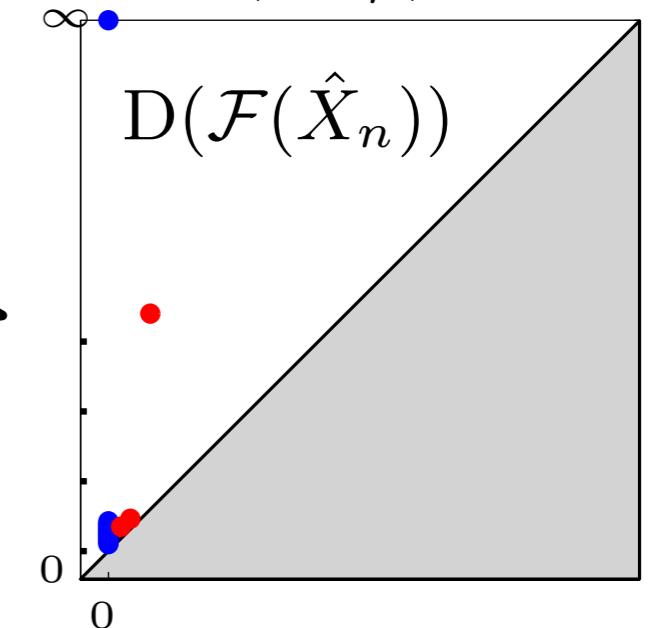
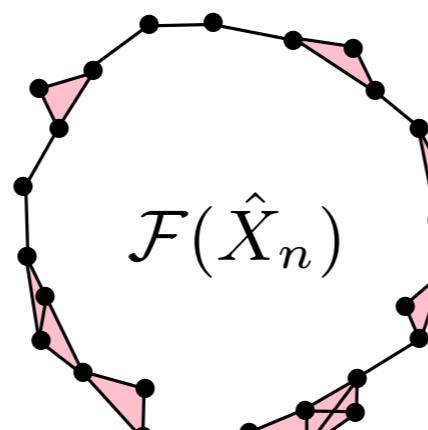


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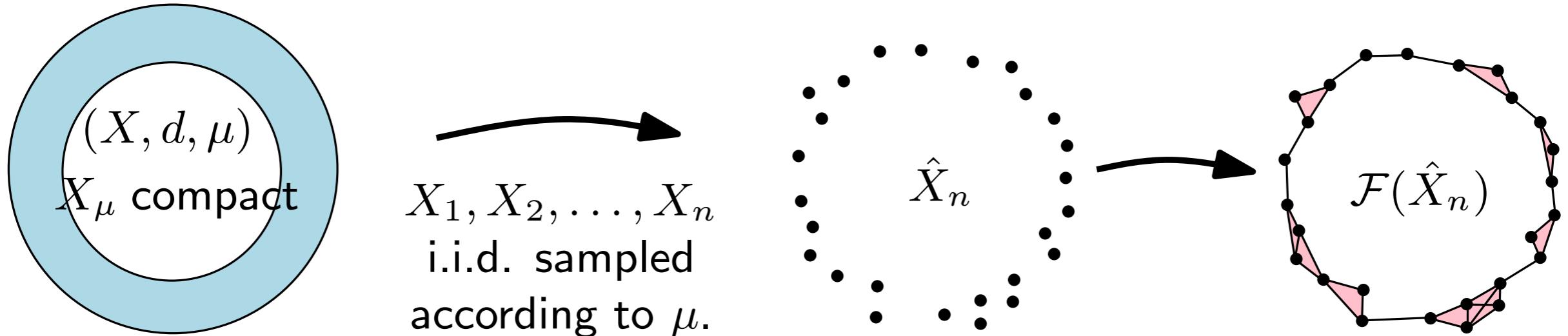
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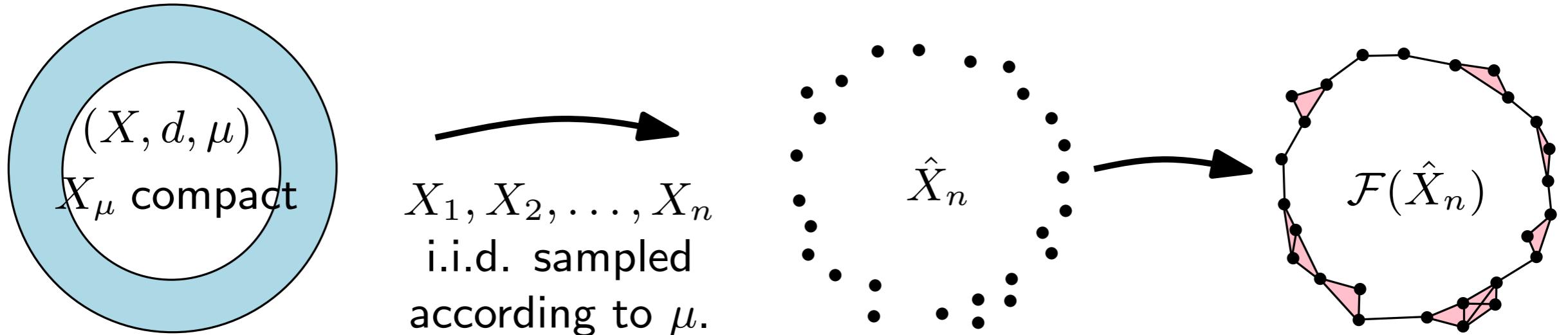
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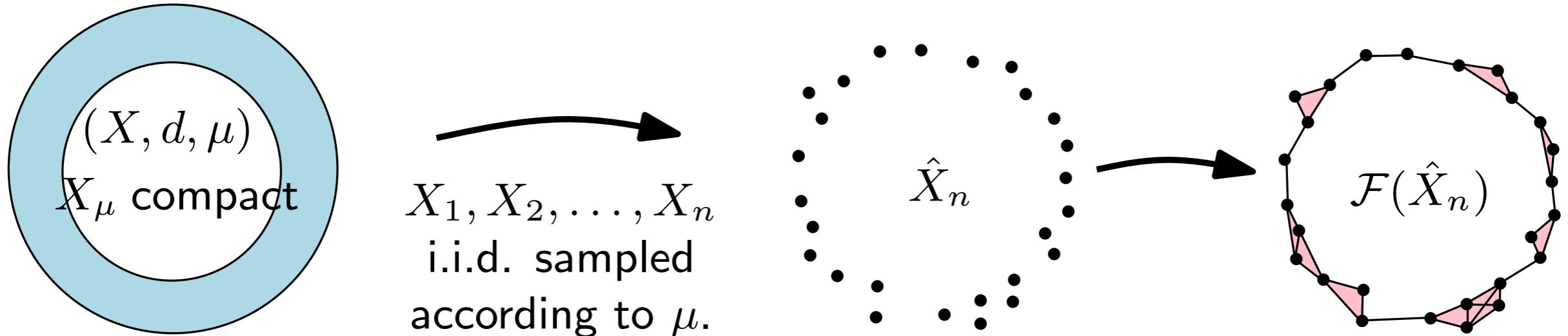
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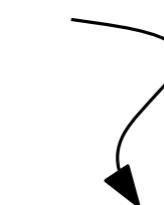
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3. Apply “union bound” argument.



$$C(\varepsilon) \leq P(\varepsilon/2) + \mu(B(x, \varepsilon/2)) \geq a(\varepsilon/2)^b$$

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where the constant C only depends on a and b (**not on X !**). Assume moreover that there exists a non isolated point x in X and let x_m be a sequence in $X \setminus \{x\}$ such that $d(x, x_n) \leq (an)^{-1/b}$. Then for any estimator \hat{D}_n of $D(\mathcal{F}(X_\mu))$:

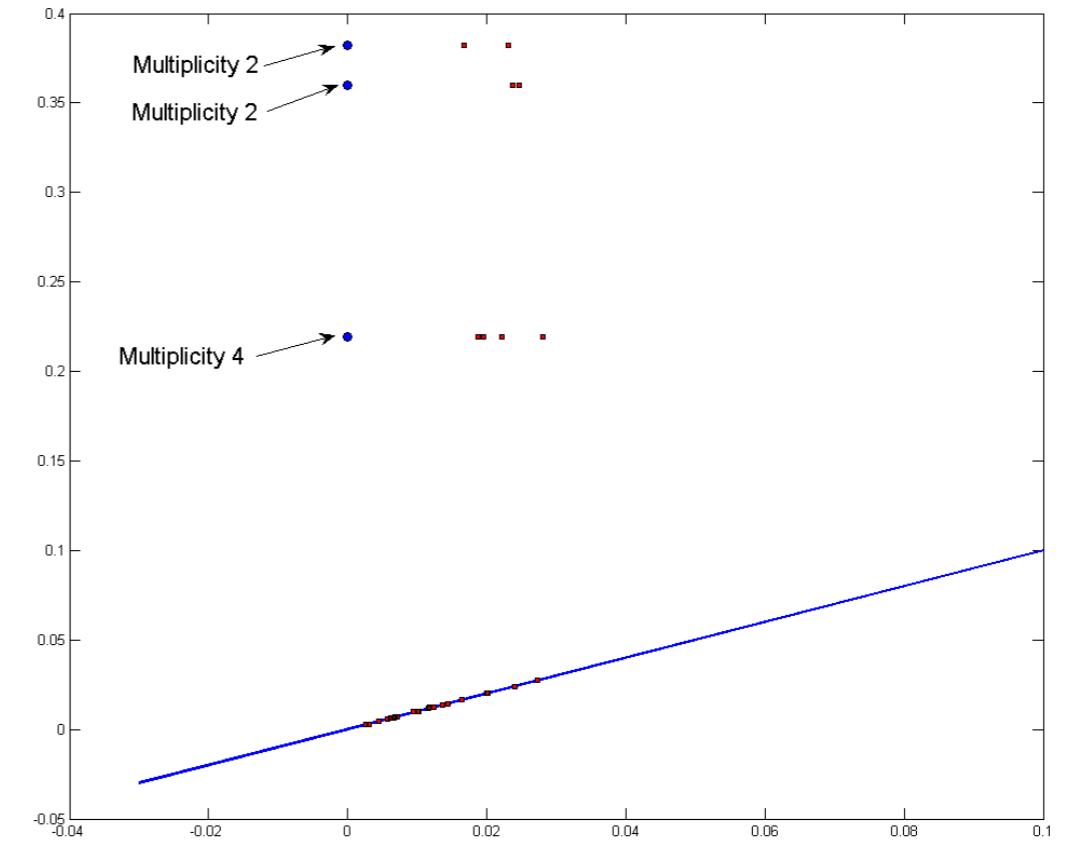
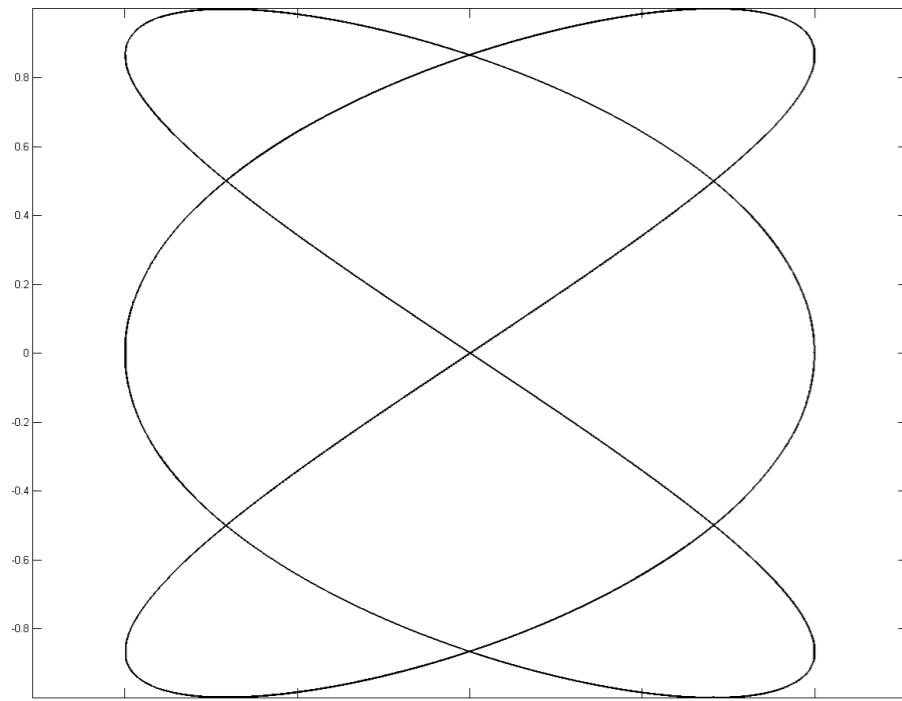
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where C' is an absolute constant.

Rem: we can obtain slightly better bounds if X_μ is a submanifold of \mathbb{R}^D .

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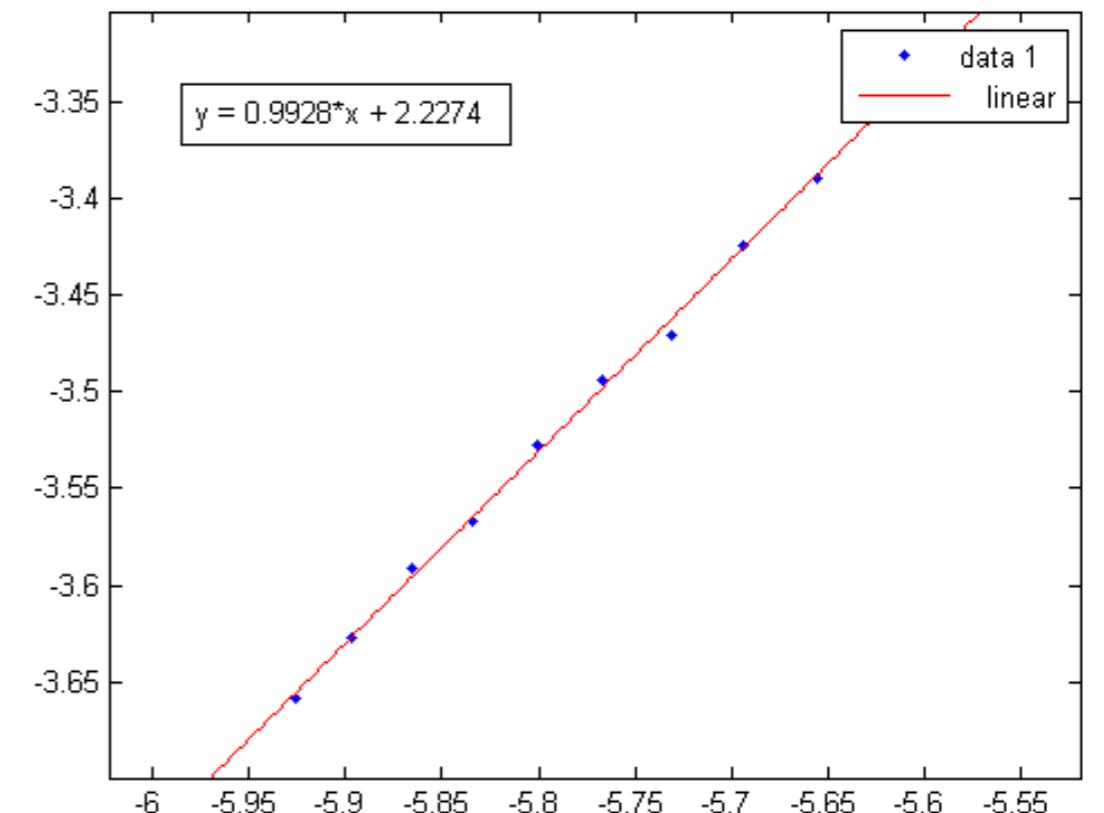
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- compute

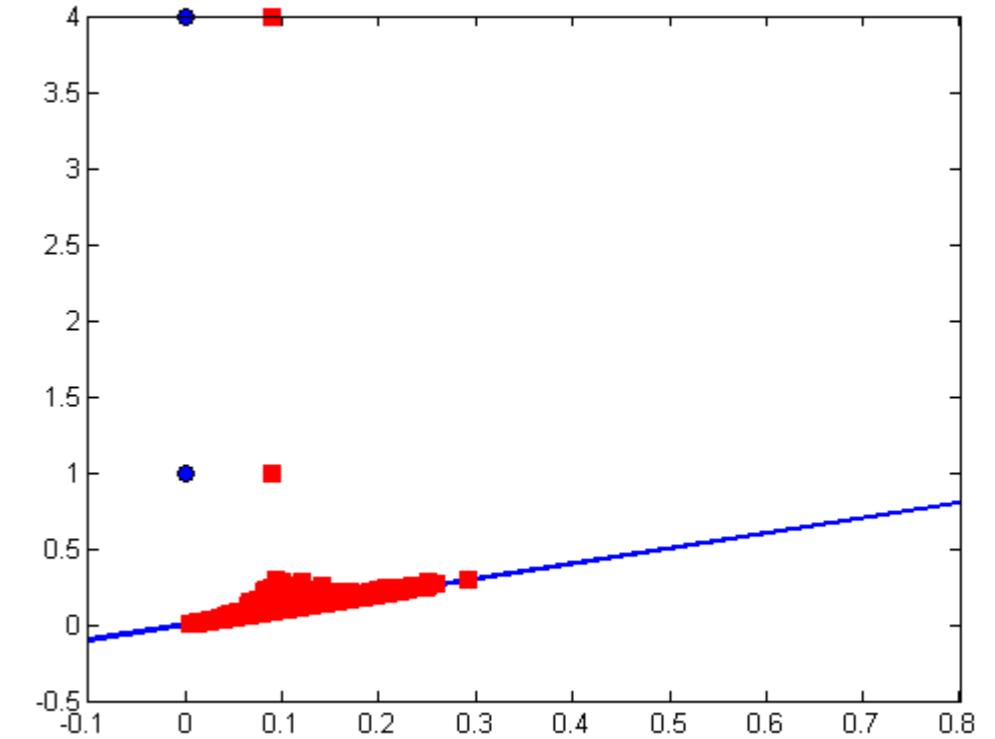
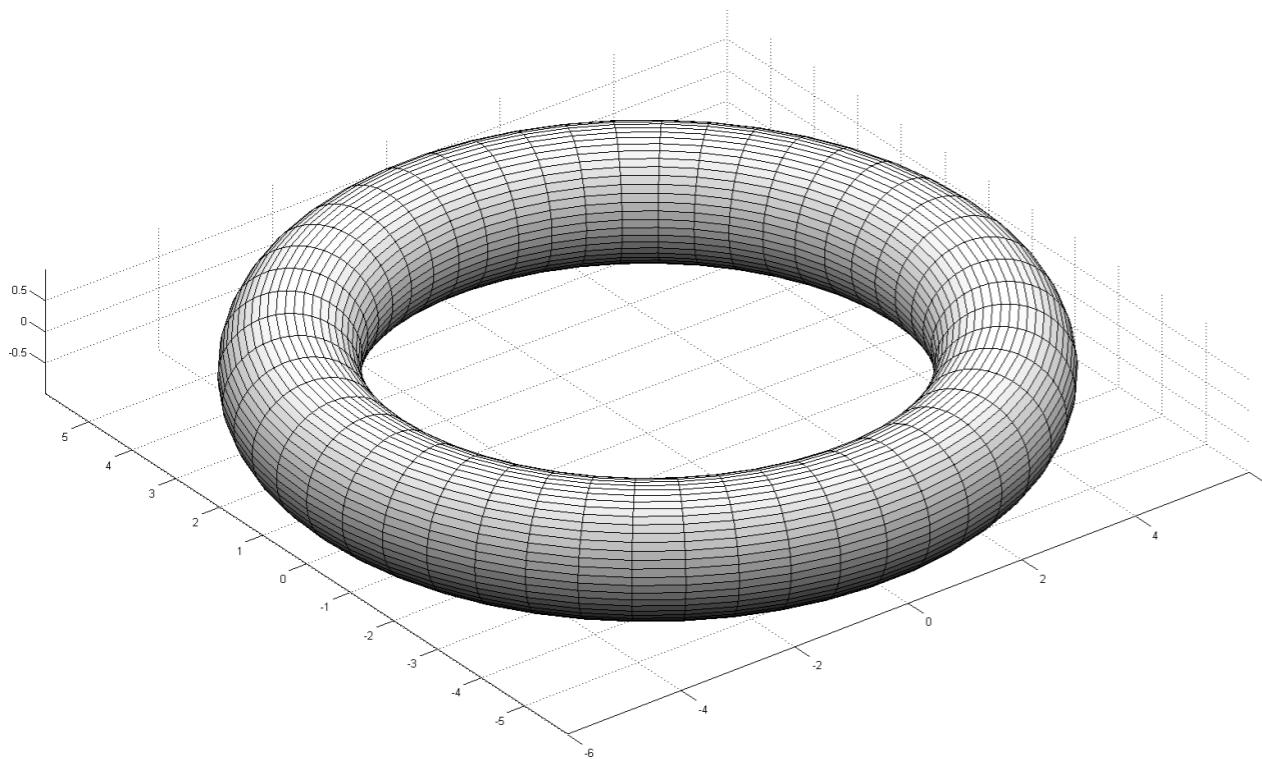
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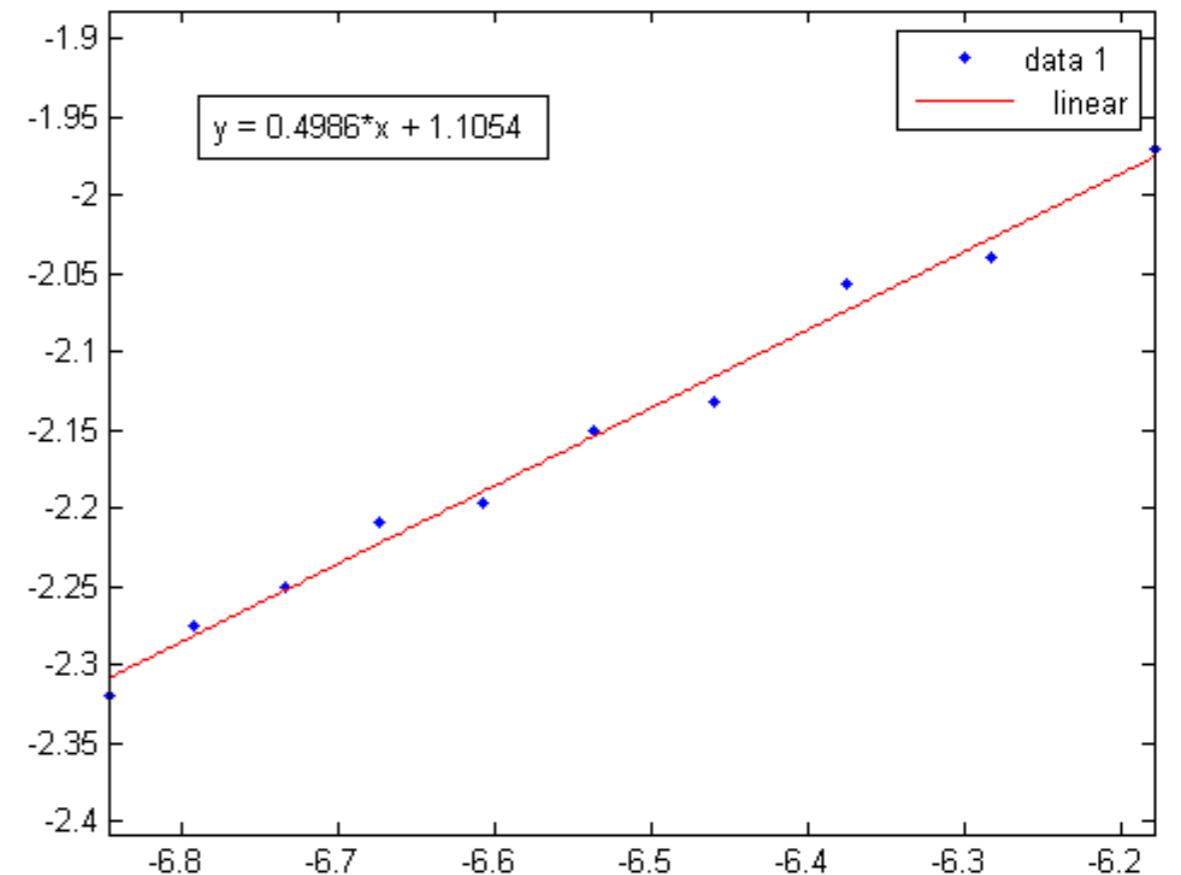
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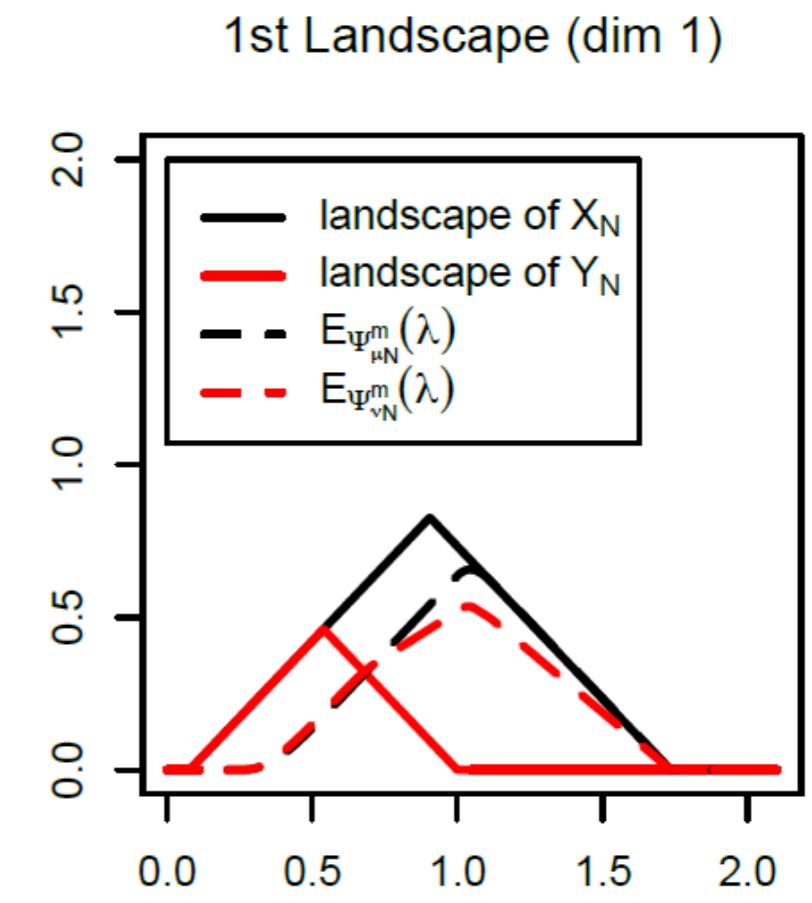
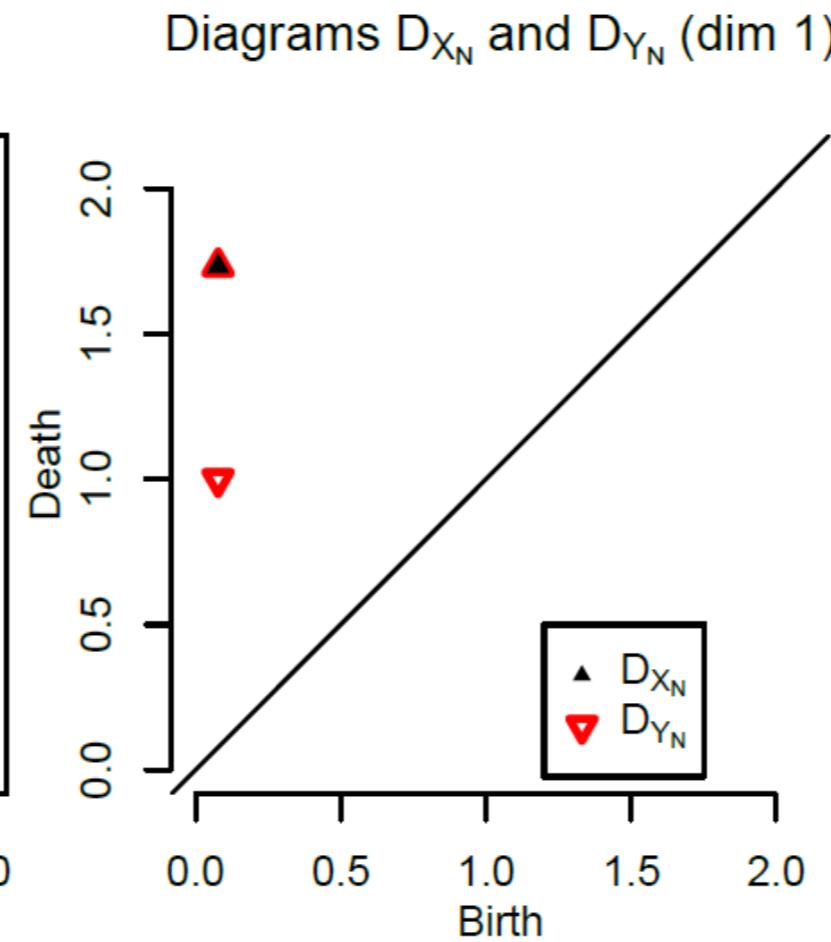
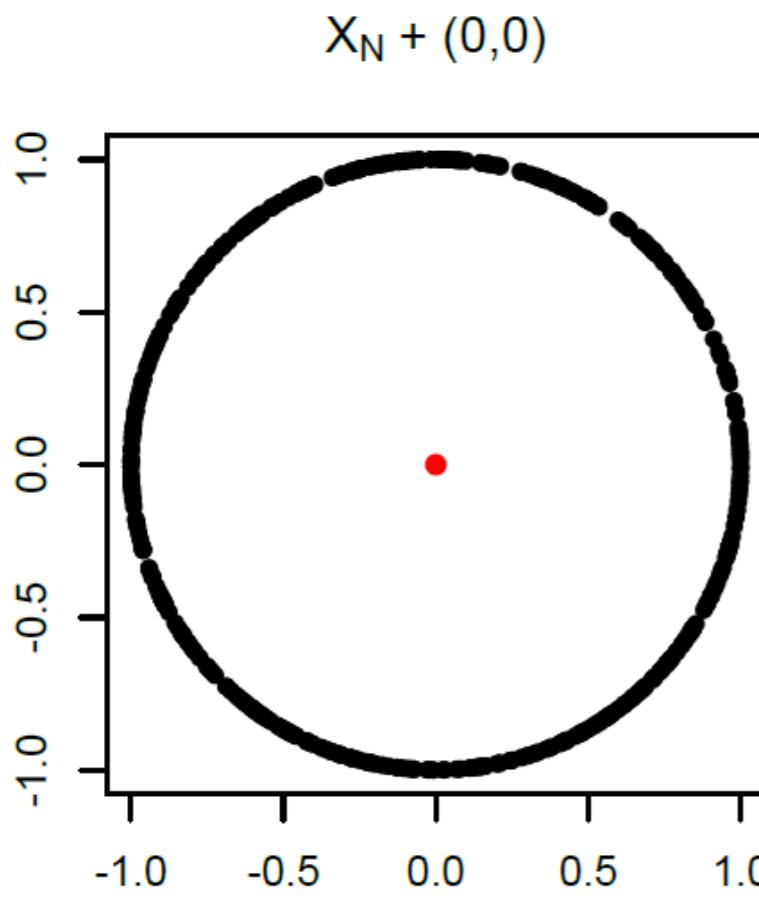
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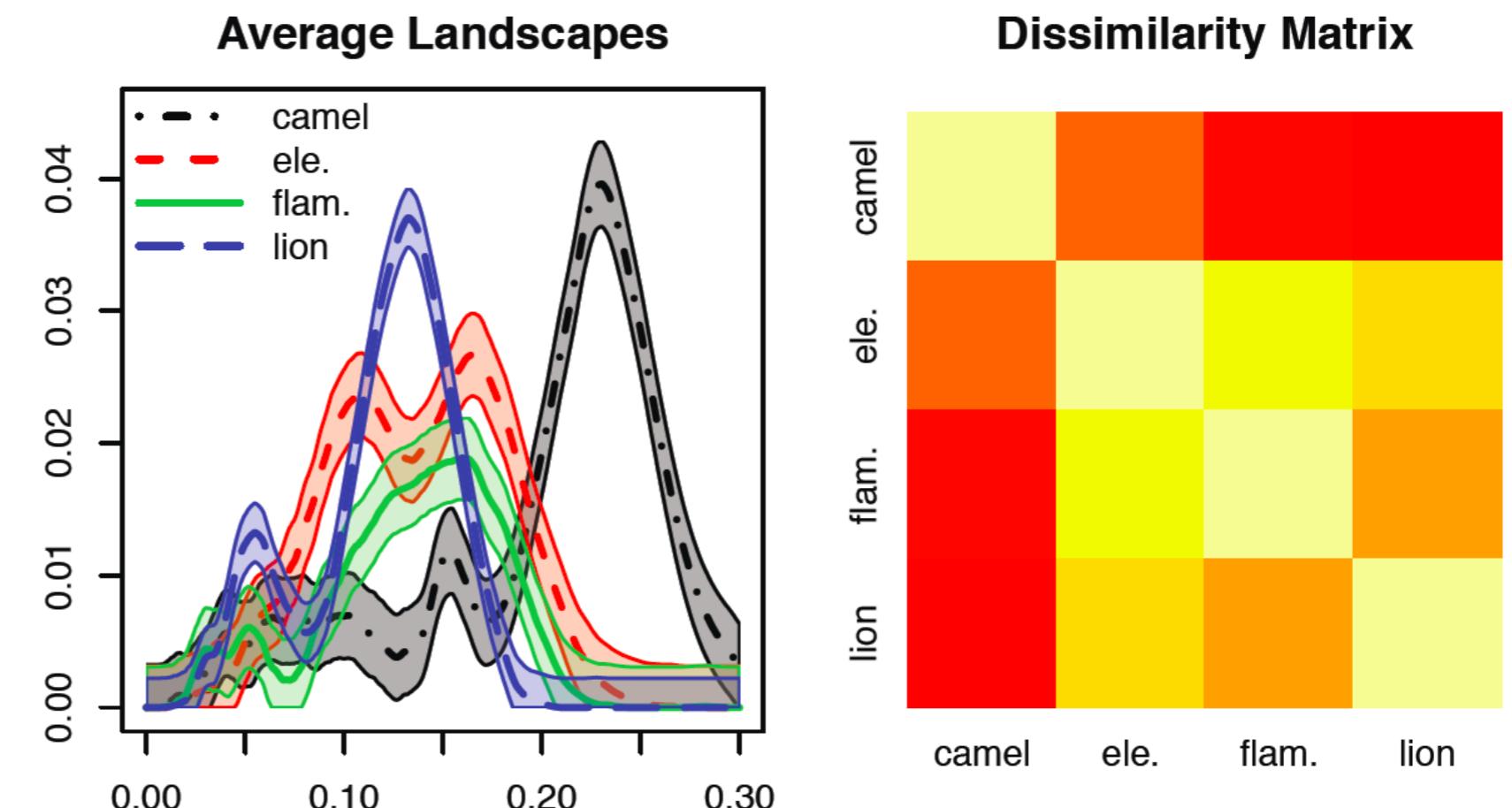
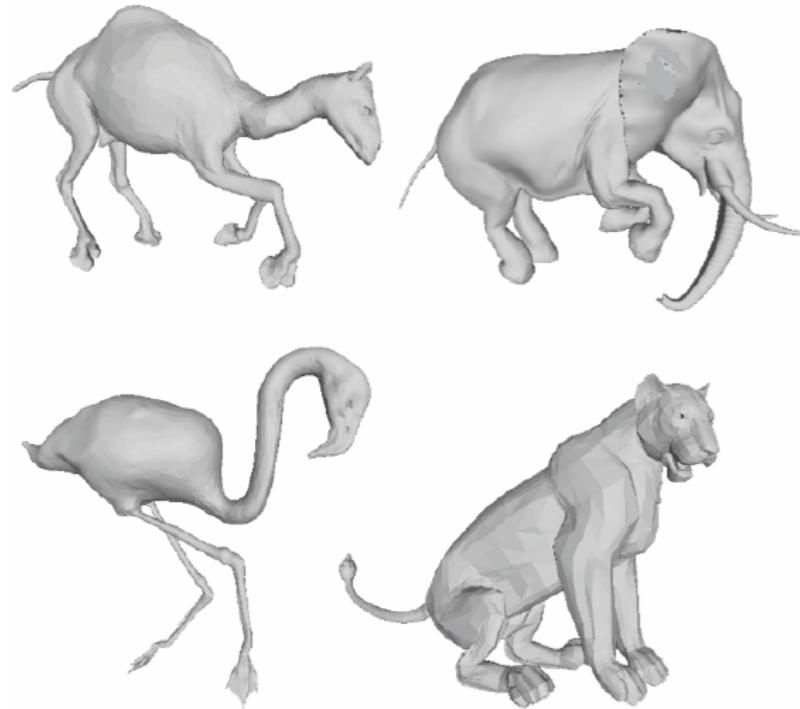
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Example: 3D shapes

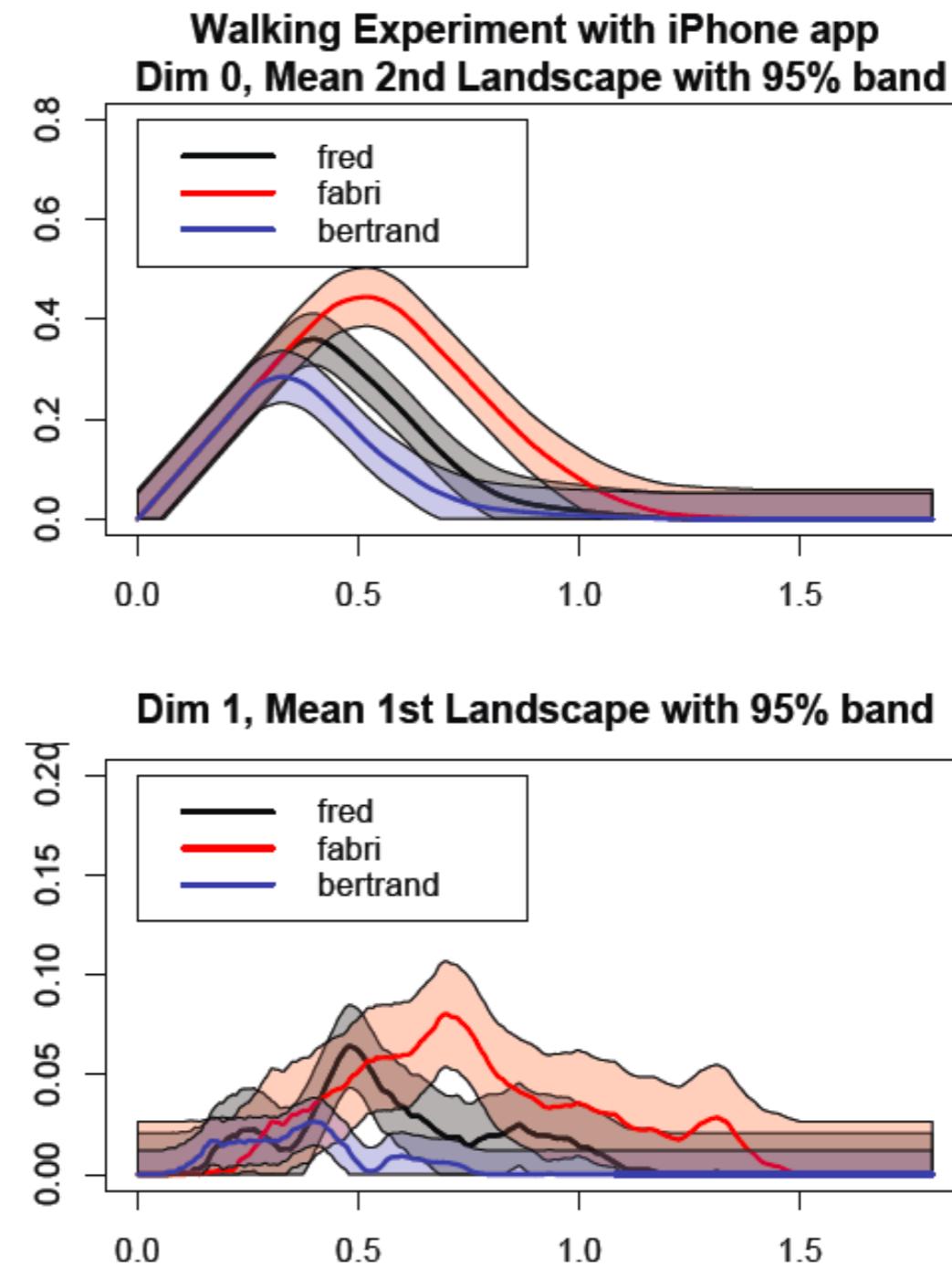
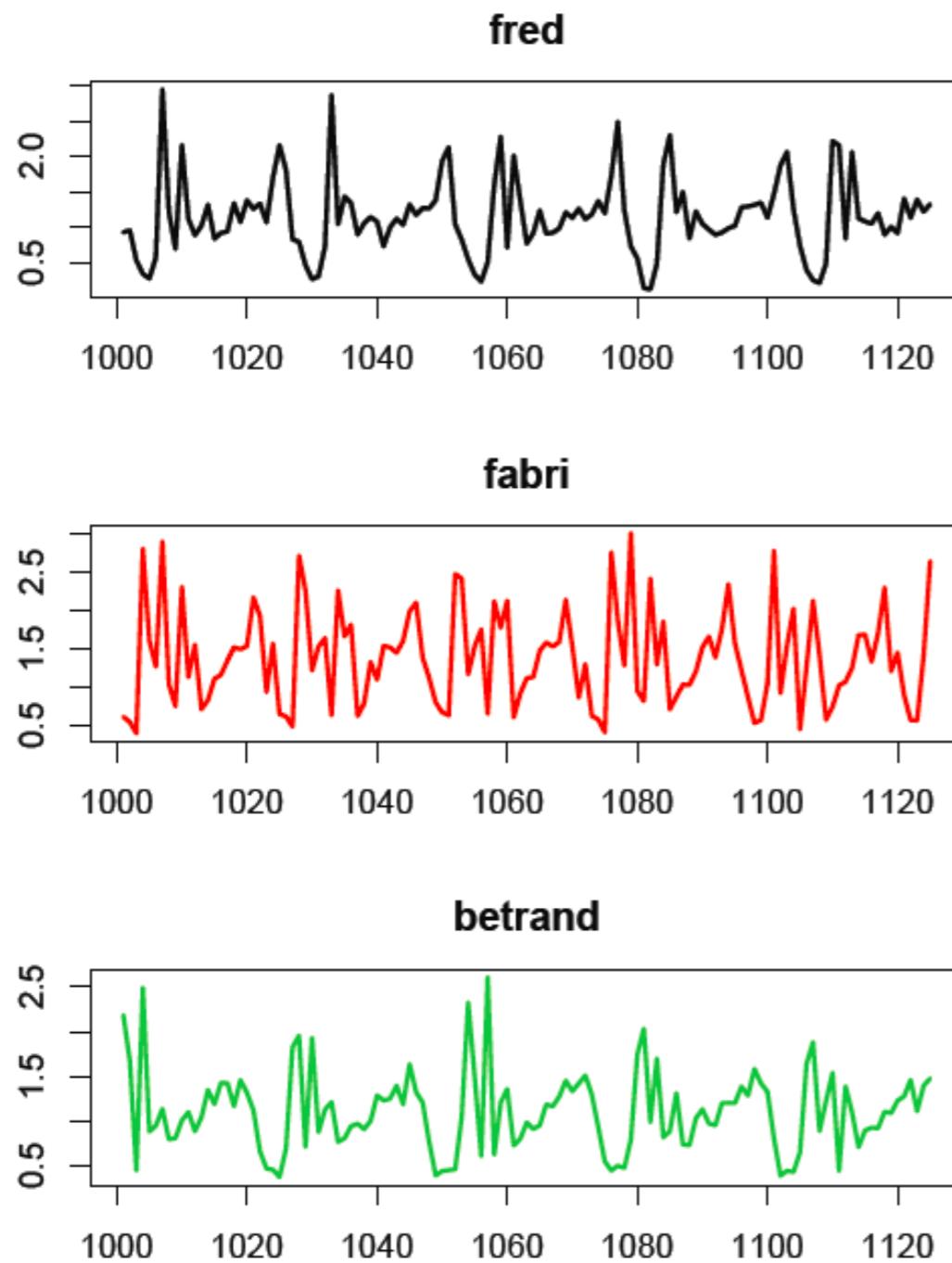


From $k = 100$ subsamples of size $n = 300$

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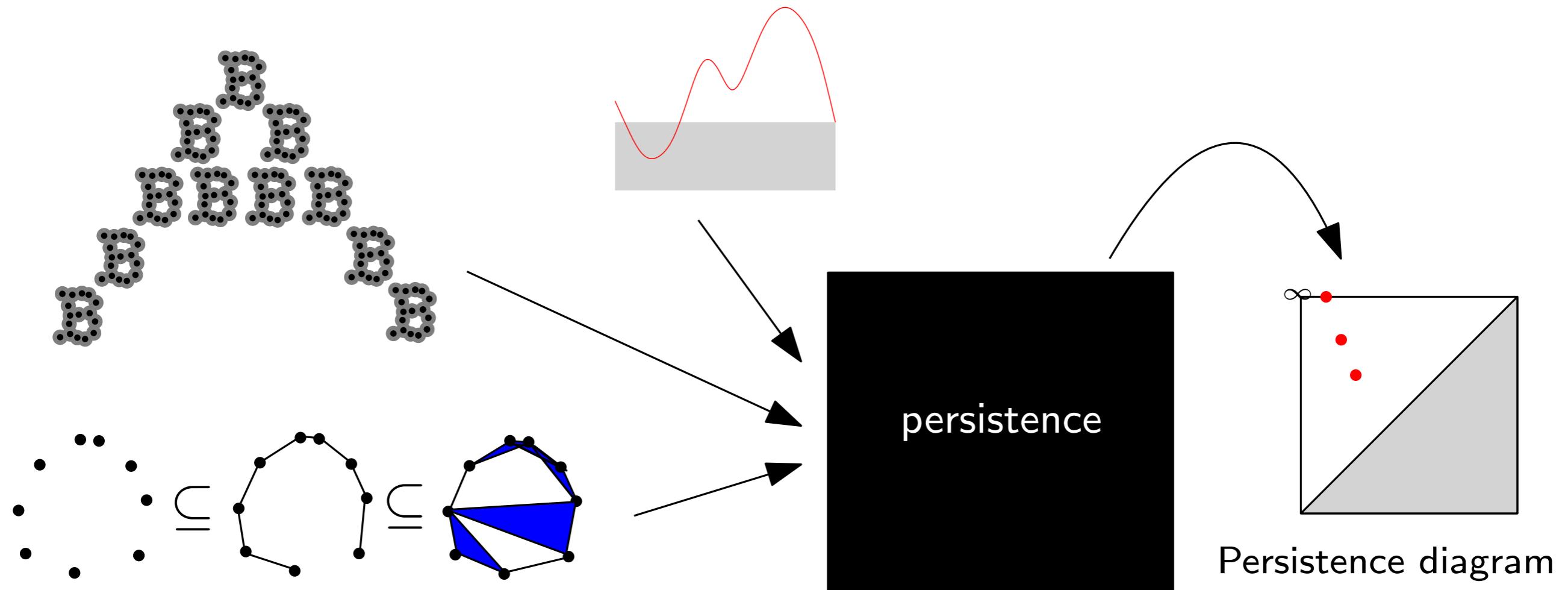
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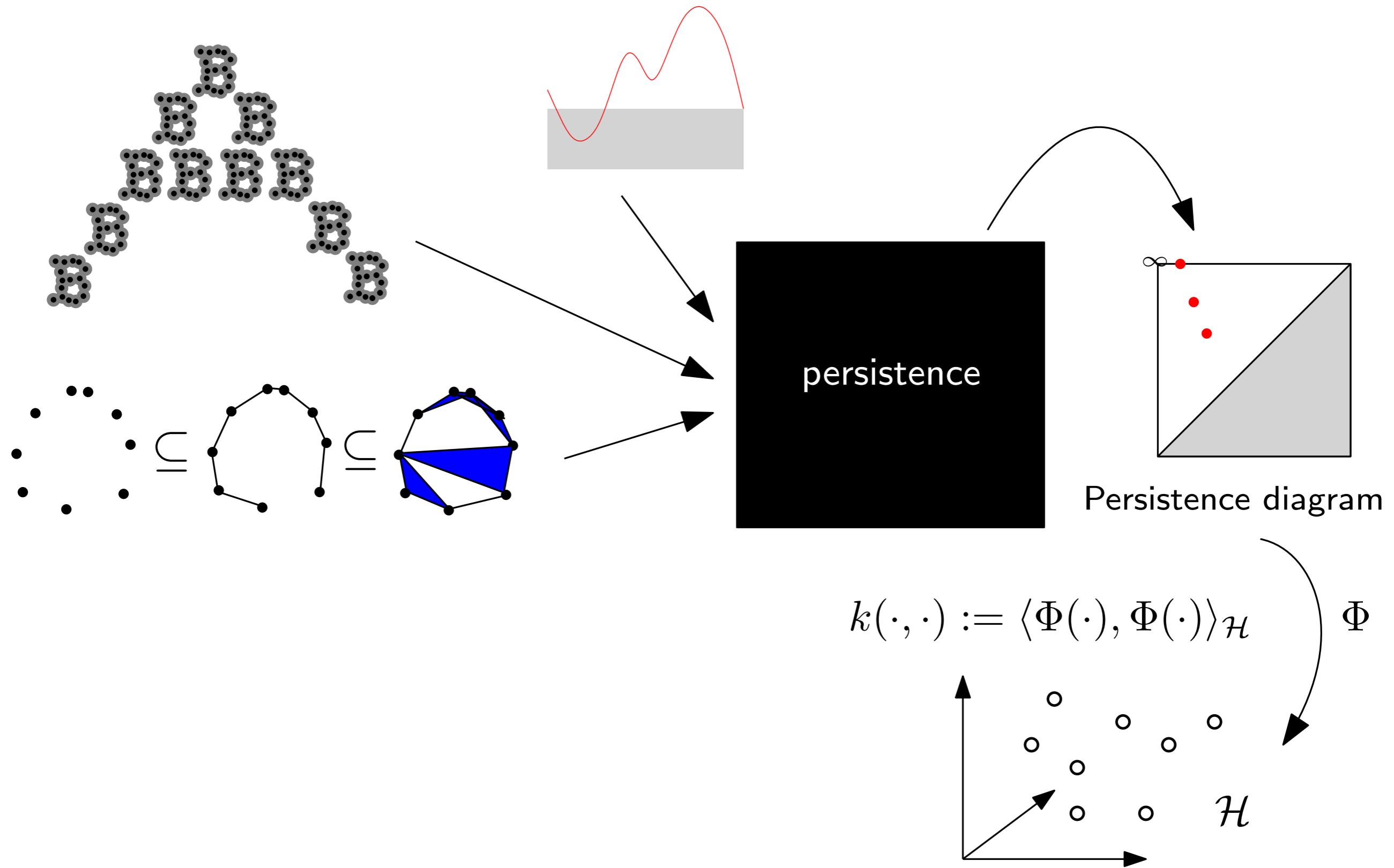
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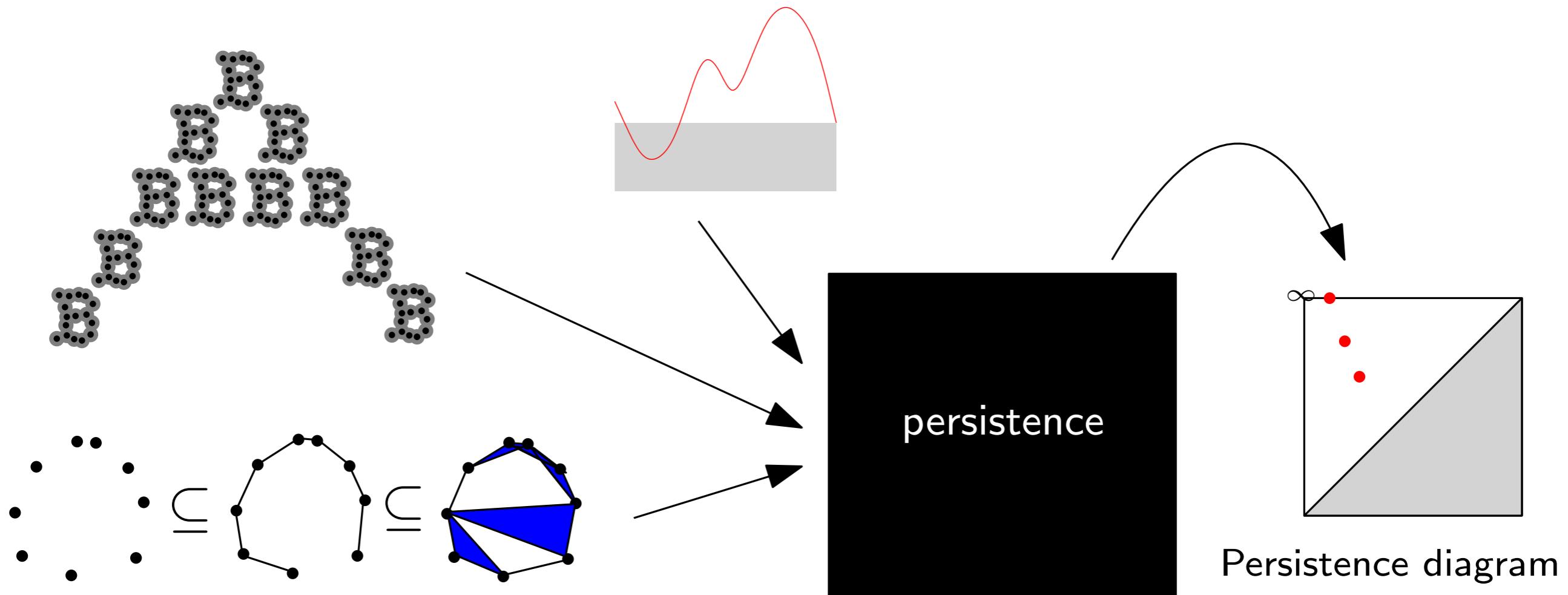
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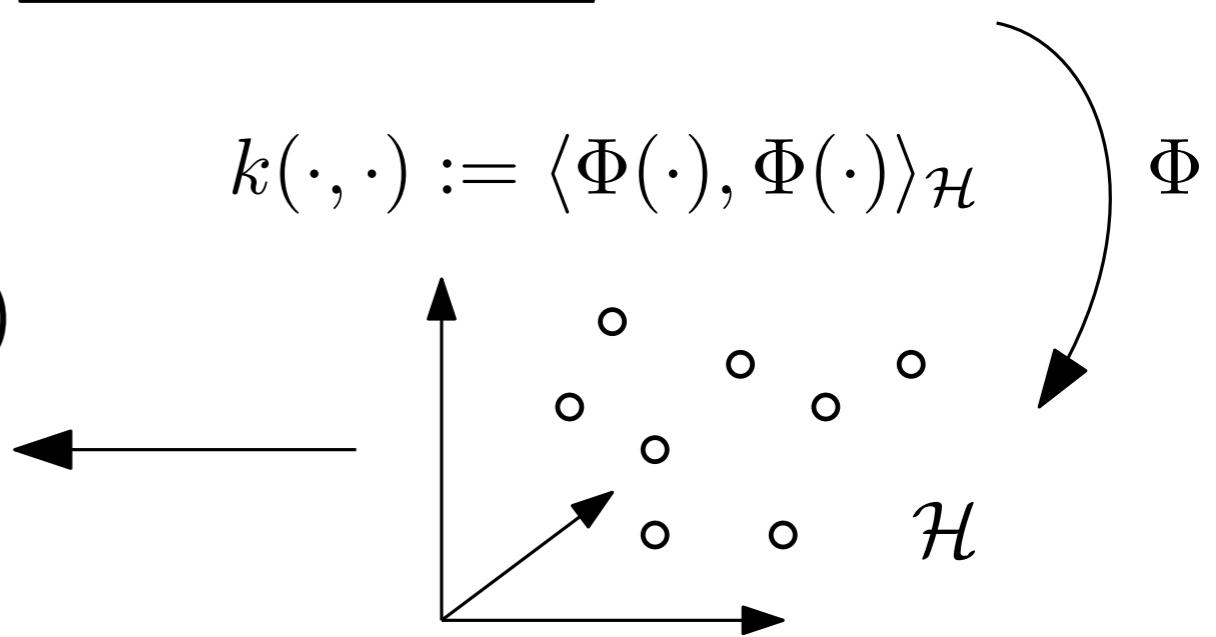


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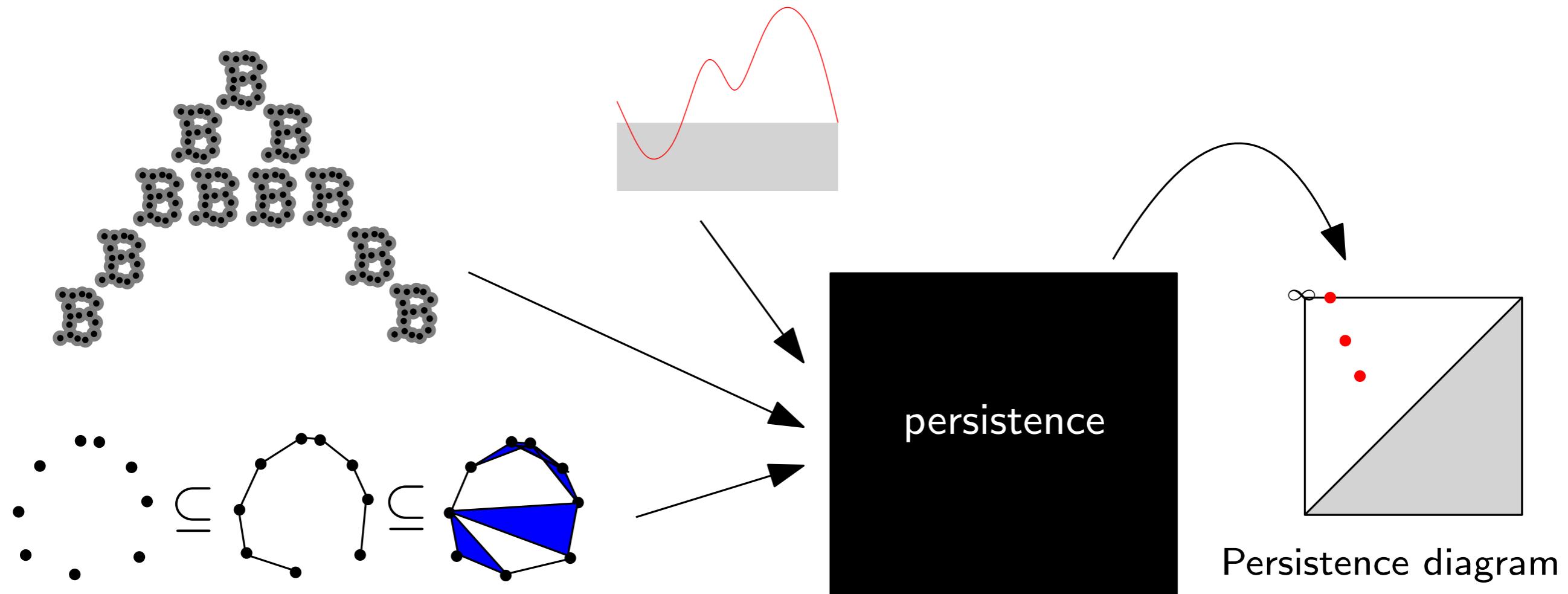


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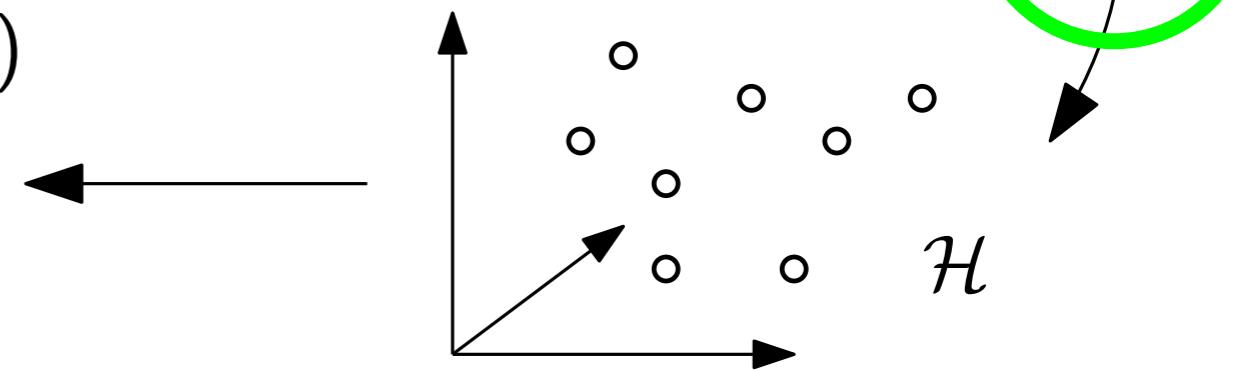
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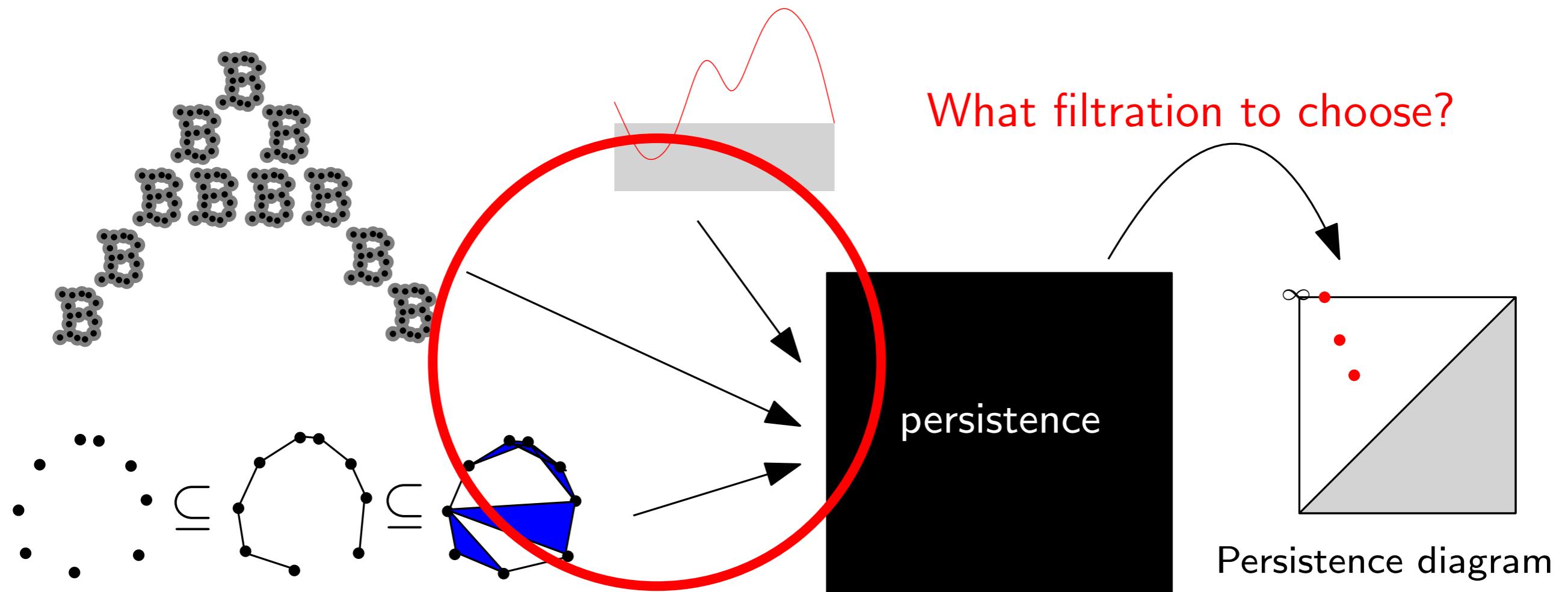
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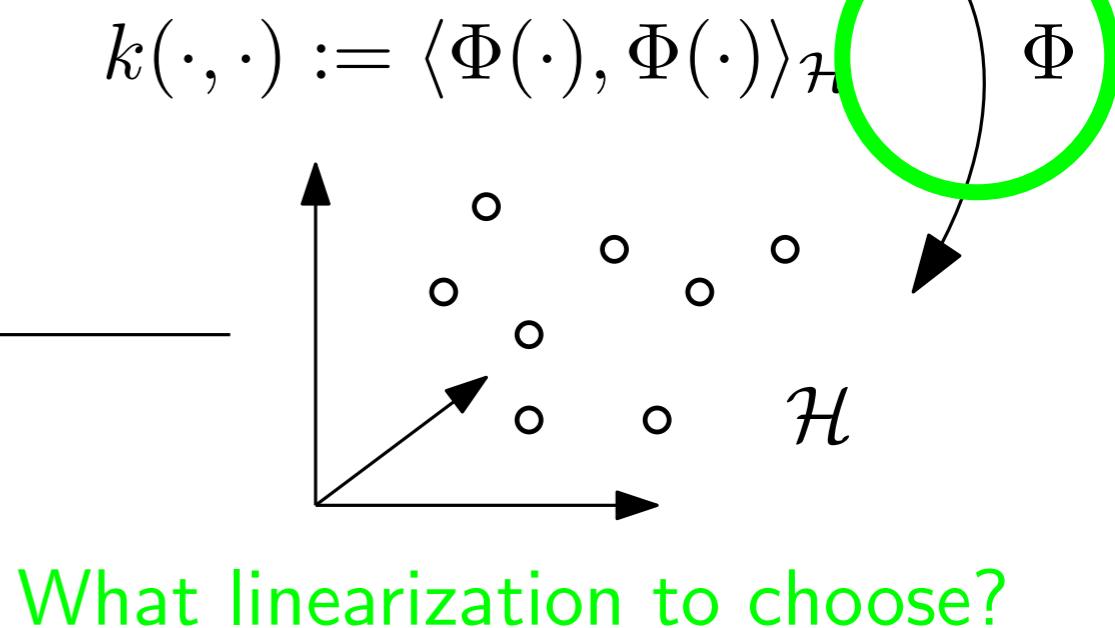
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Prop: \mathcal{H} Hilbert with dot product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$ and distance $\| \cdot \|_{\mathcal{H}}$. Assume $d_{\mathcal{H}}$ and d_{∞} or d_p are equivalent.

(i) $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}^d \Rightarrow \mathbf{Impossible}$

even if the PDs are included in $[-L, L]^2$ and have less than N points

(ii) \mathcal{H} separable, $p = 1 \Rightarrow$ either $A \rightarrow 0$ or $B \rightarrow +\infty$
when $L, N \rightarrow +\infty$

Q: prove (ii).

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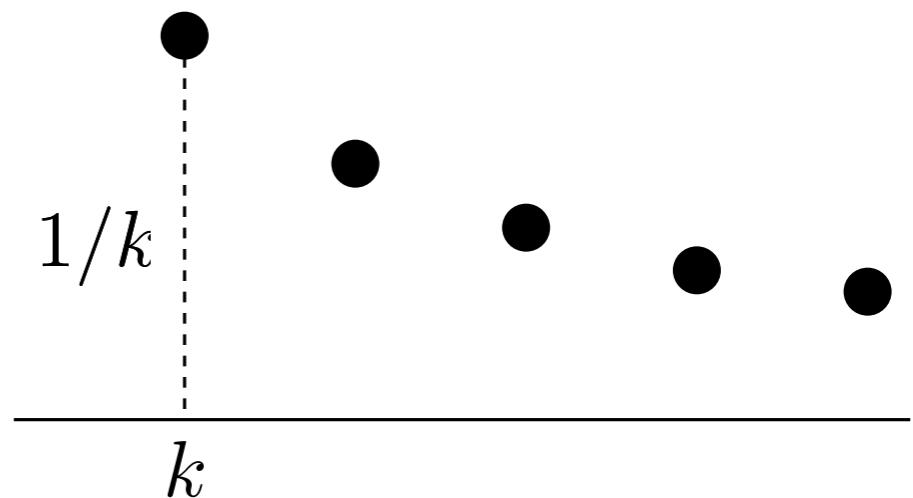
Proof:

(ii) The space of PDs with possibly infinite number of points is not separable with respect to d_1

Consider $S = \{D_u\}_{u \in \{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}}}$

where $D_u = \{(k, k + \frac{1}{k}) : u_k = 1\}$

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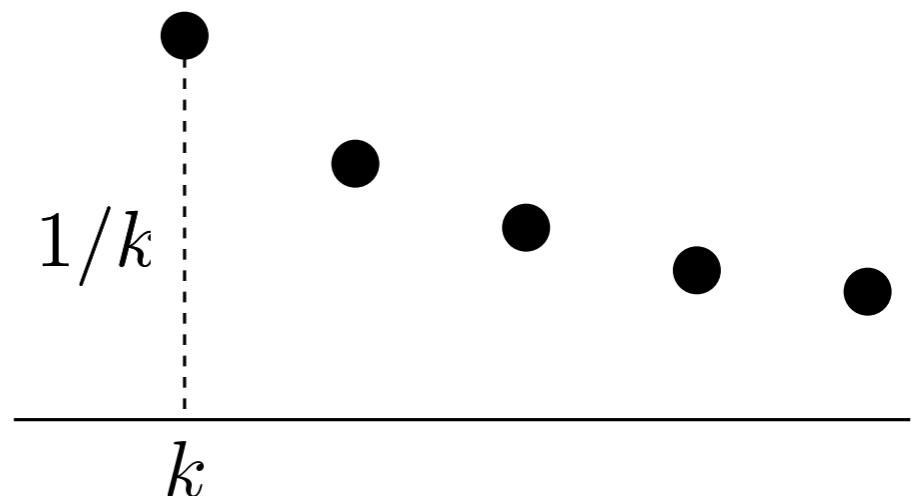
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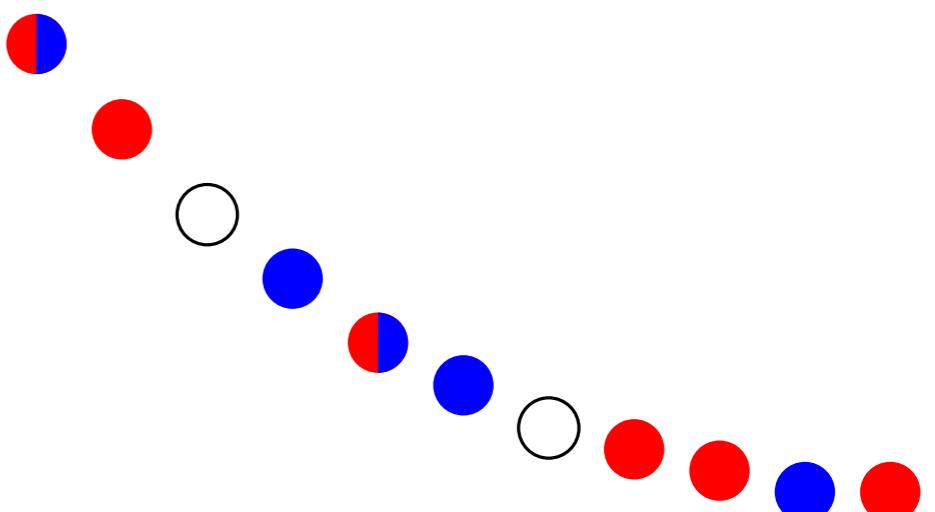
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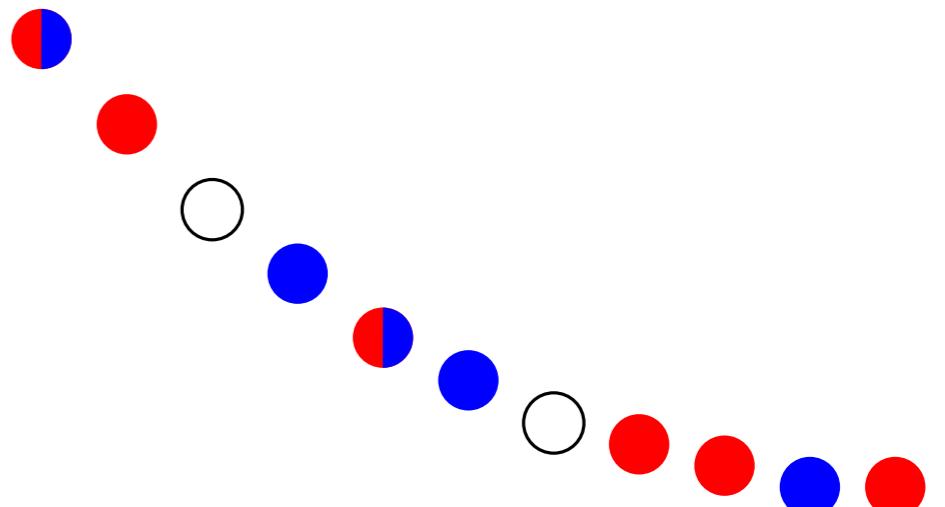
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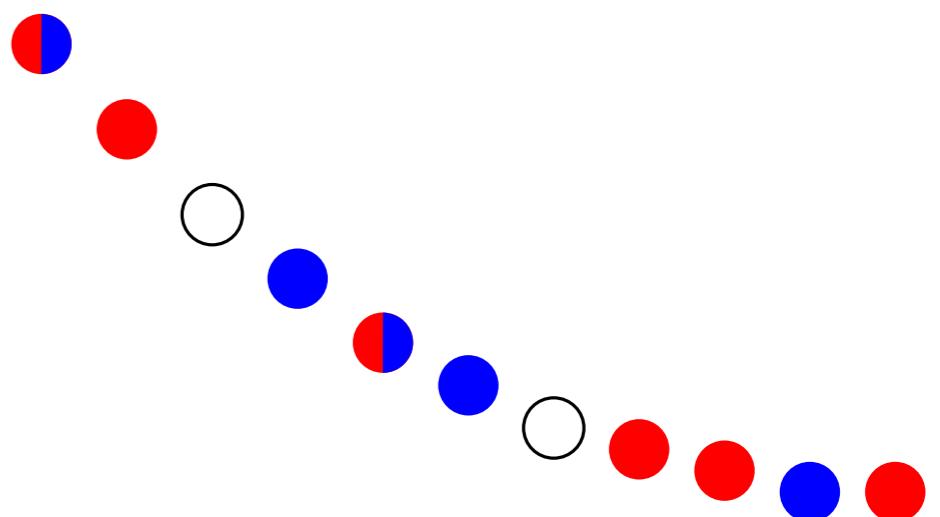
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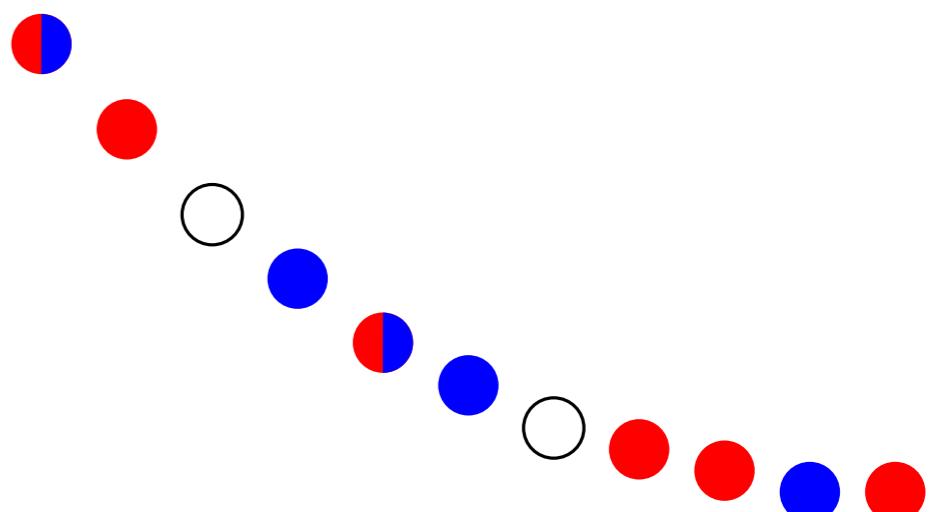
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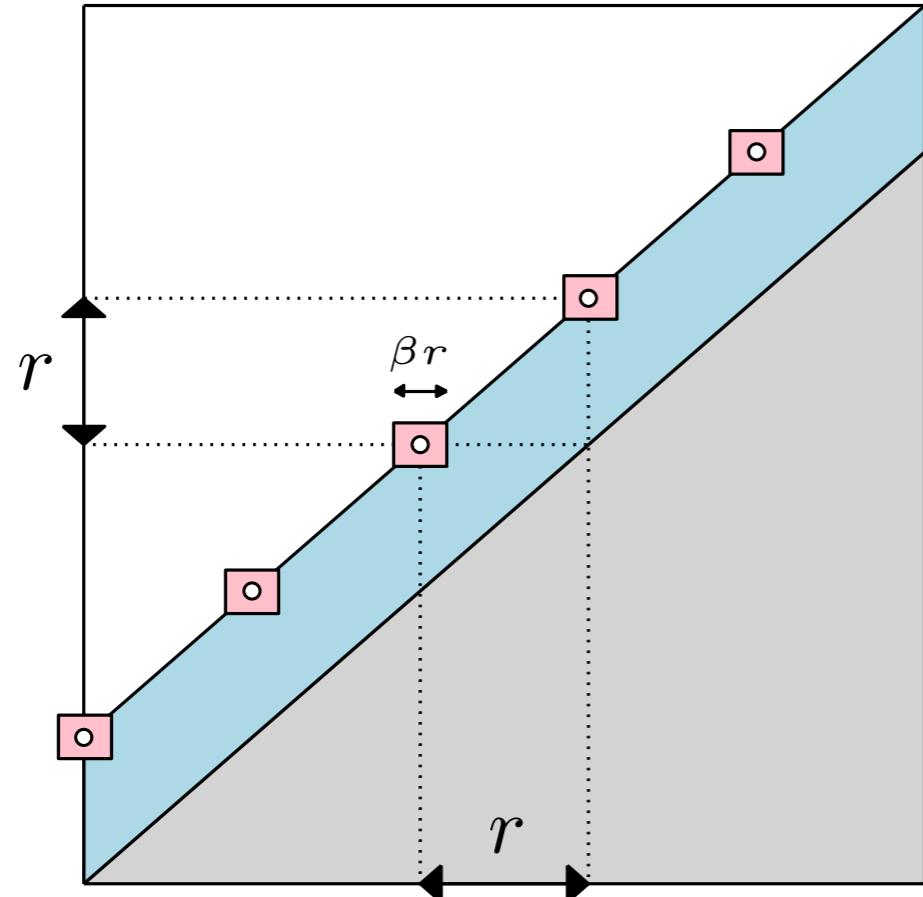
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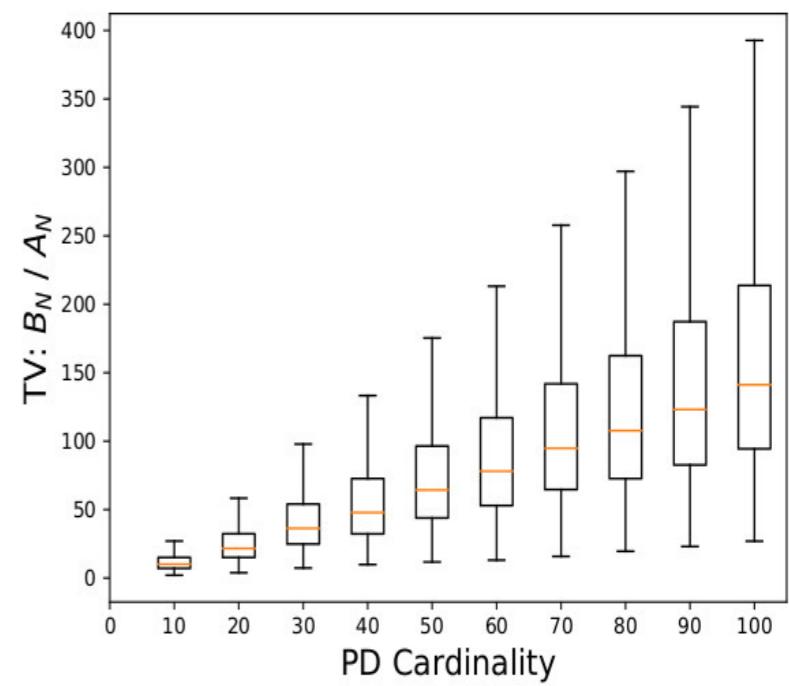
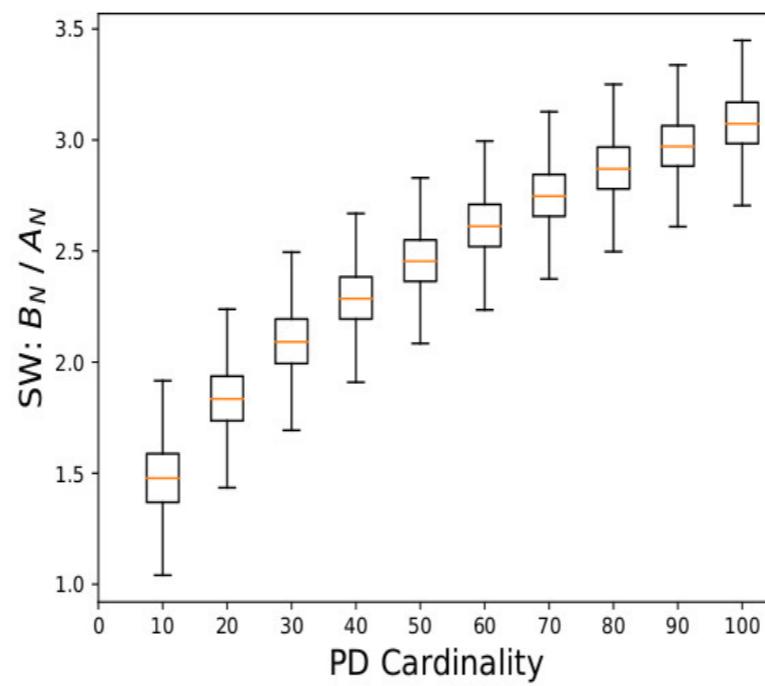
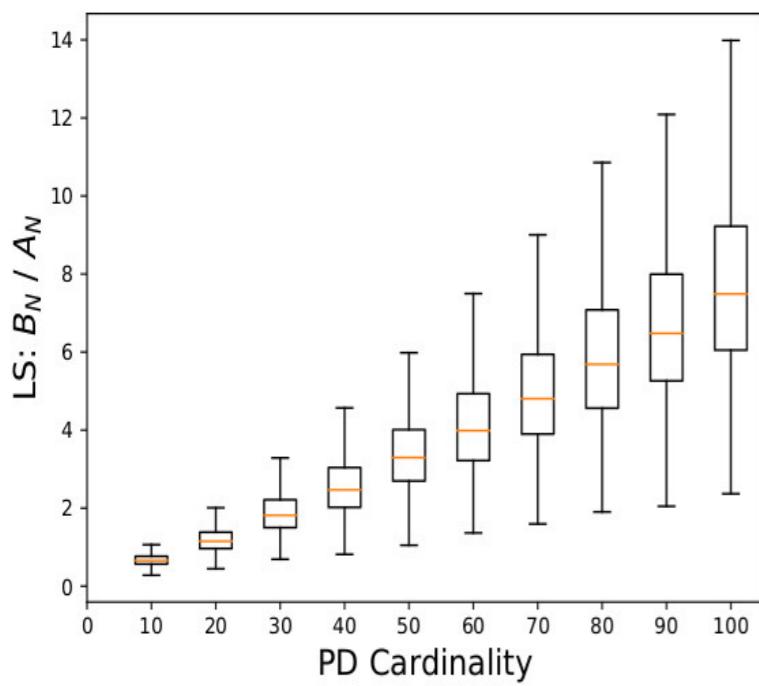
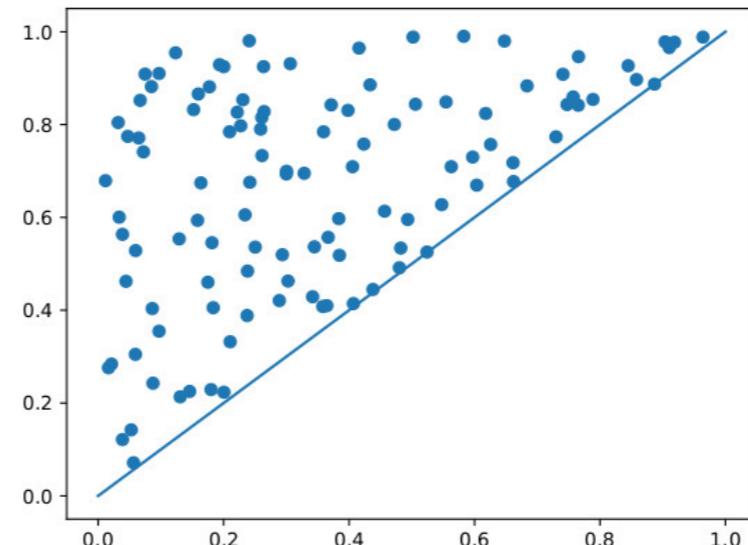
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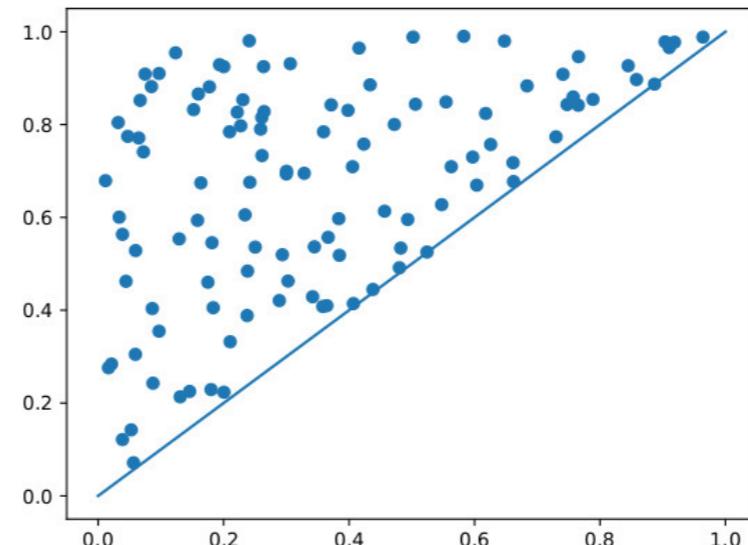


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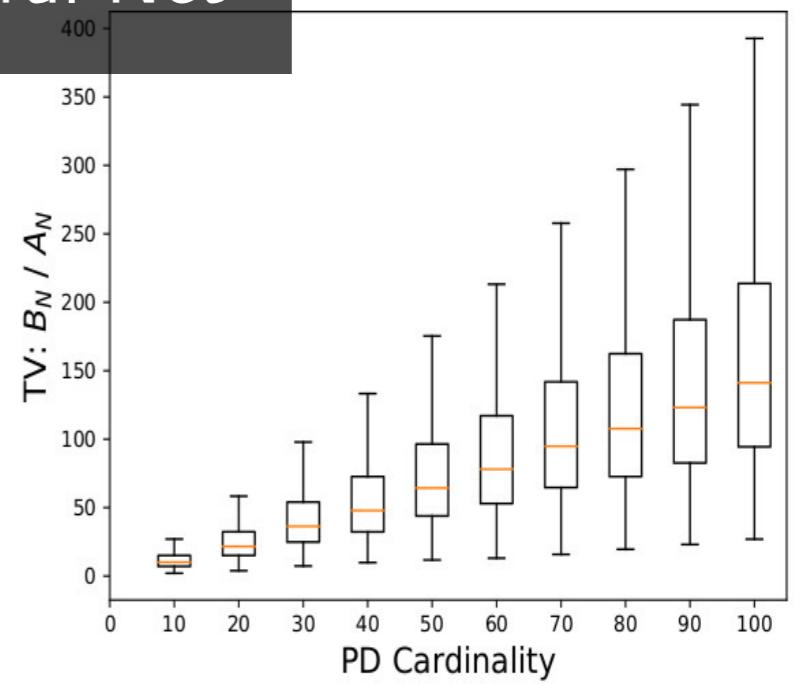
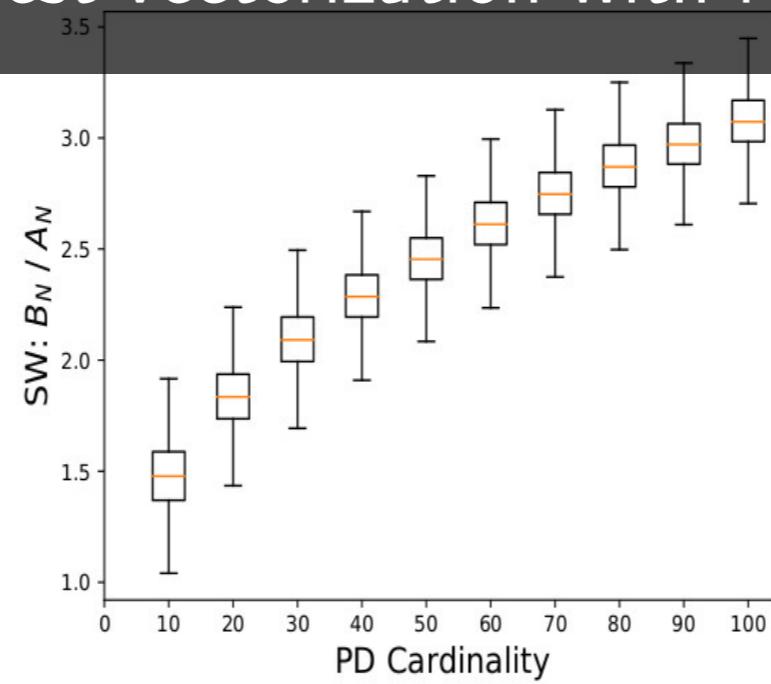
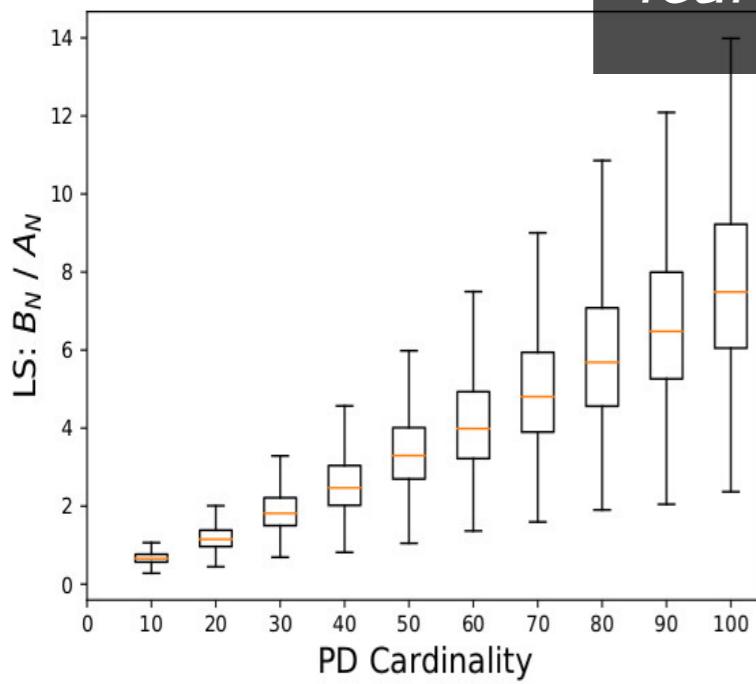
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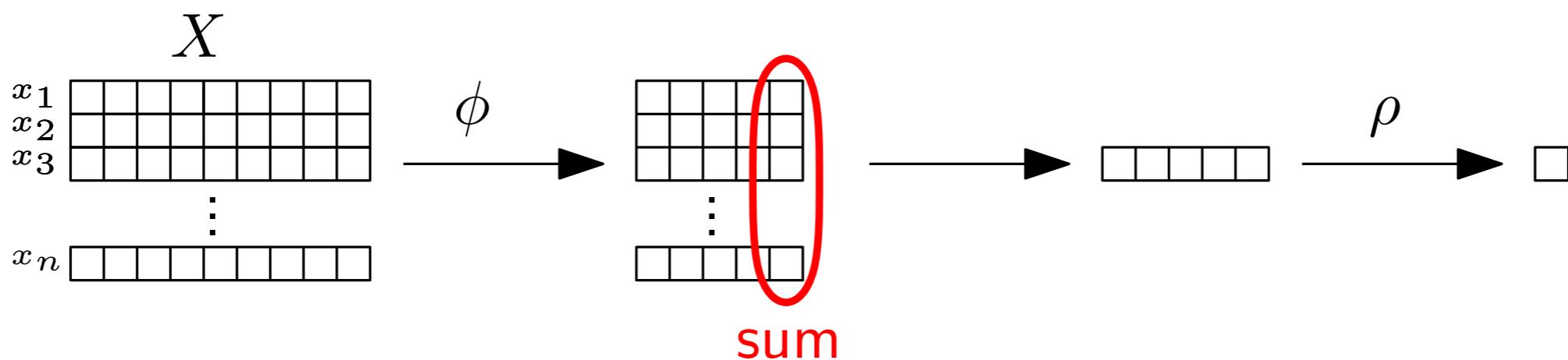
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$$\Rightarrow F(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}) = F(\{x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}\}), \forall \sigma$$



In practice: $\phi(x_i) = W \cdot x_i + b$

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Universality theorem

Thm:

A function f is permutation invariant iif $f(X) = \rho(\sum_i \phi(x_i))$ for some ρ and ϕ , whenever X is included in a *countable* space

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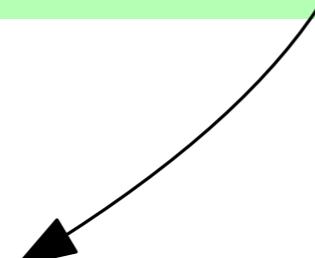
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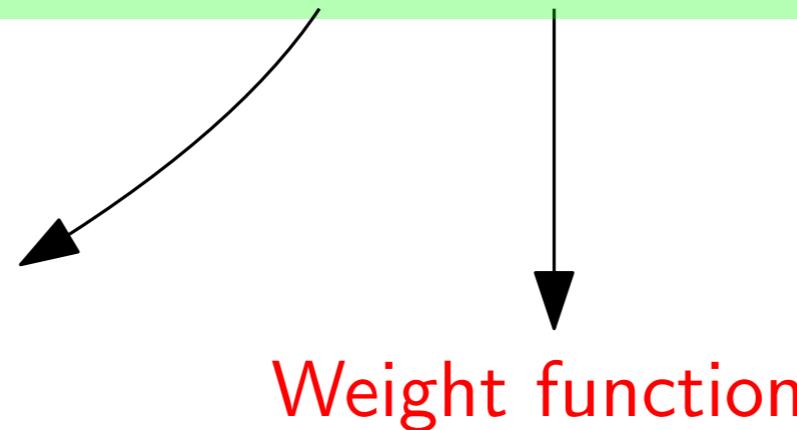
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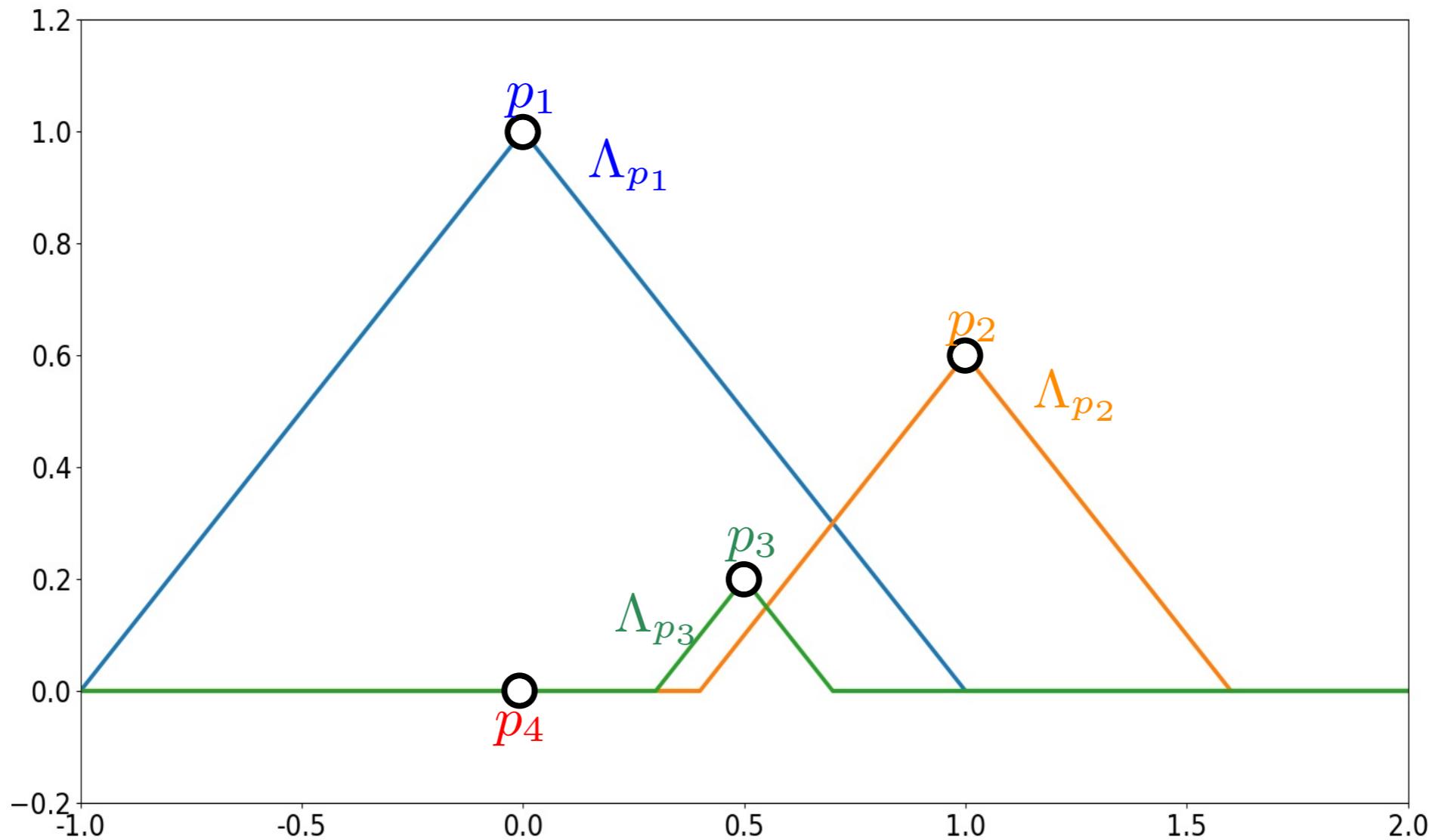
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Parameters $t_1, \dots, t_q \in \mathbb{R}$

$$w(p) = 1$$

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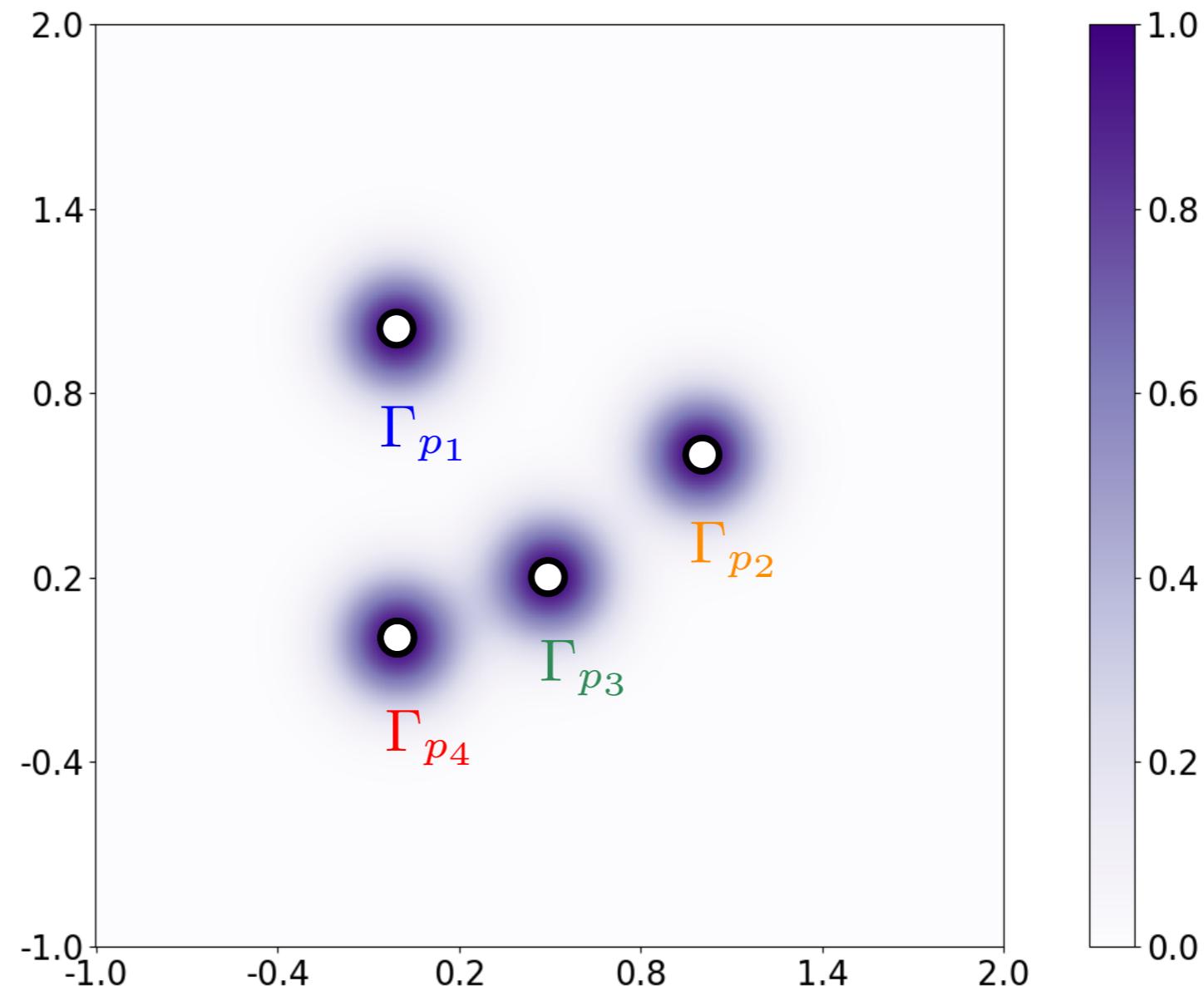
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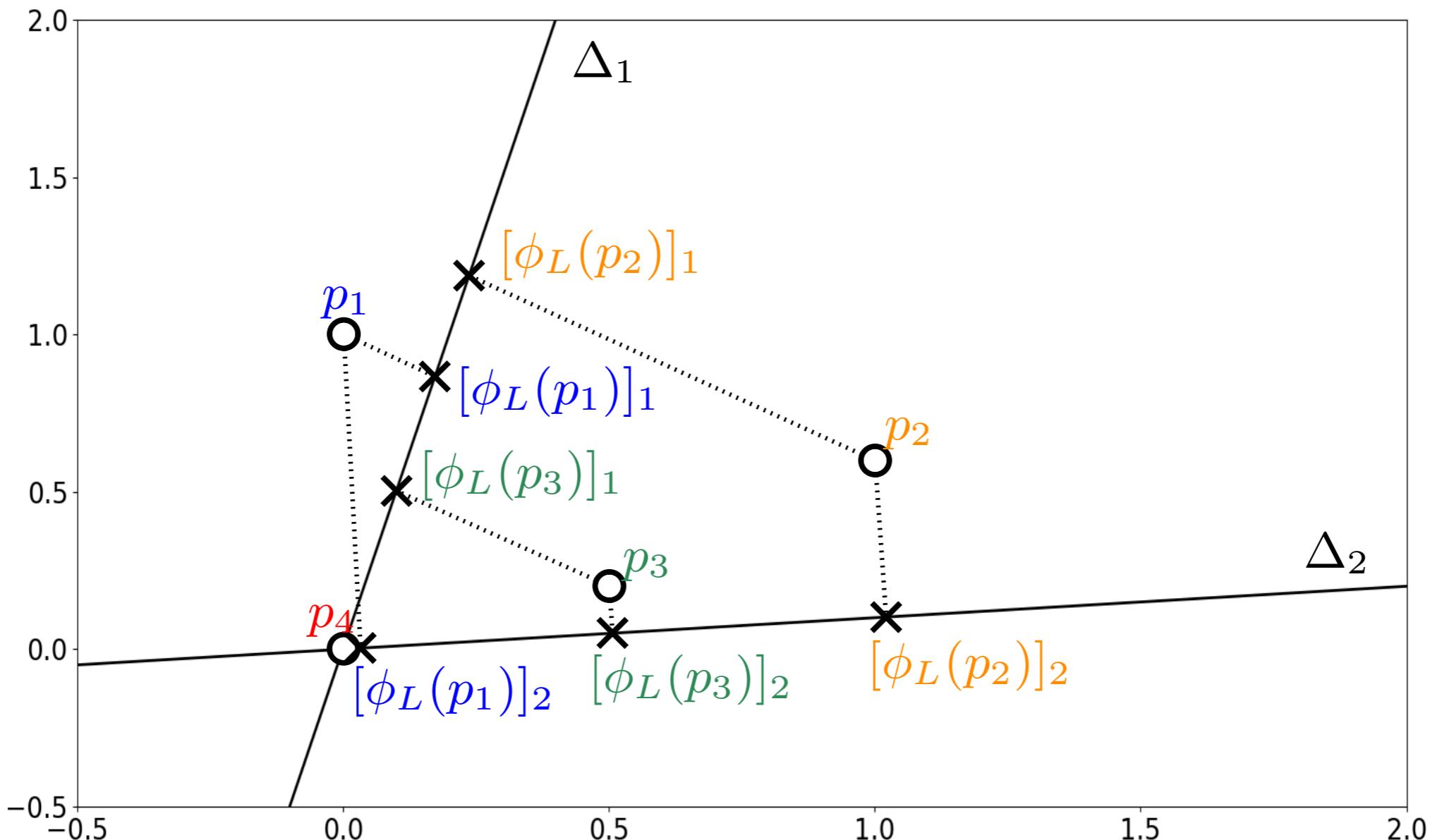
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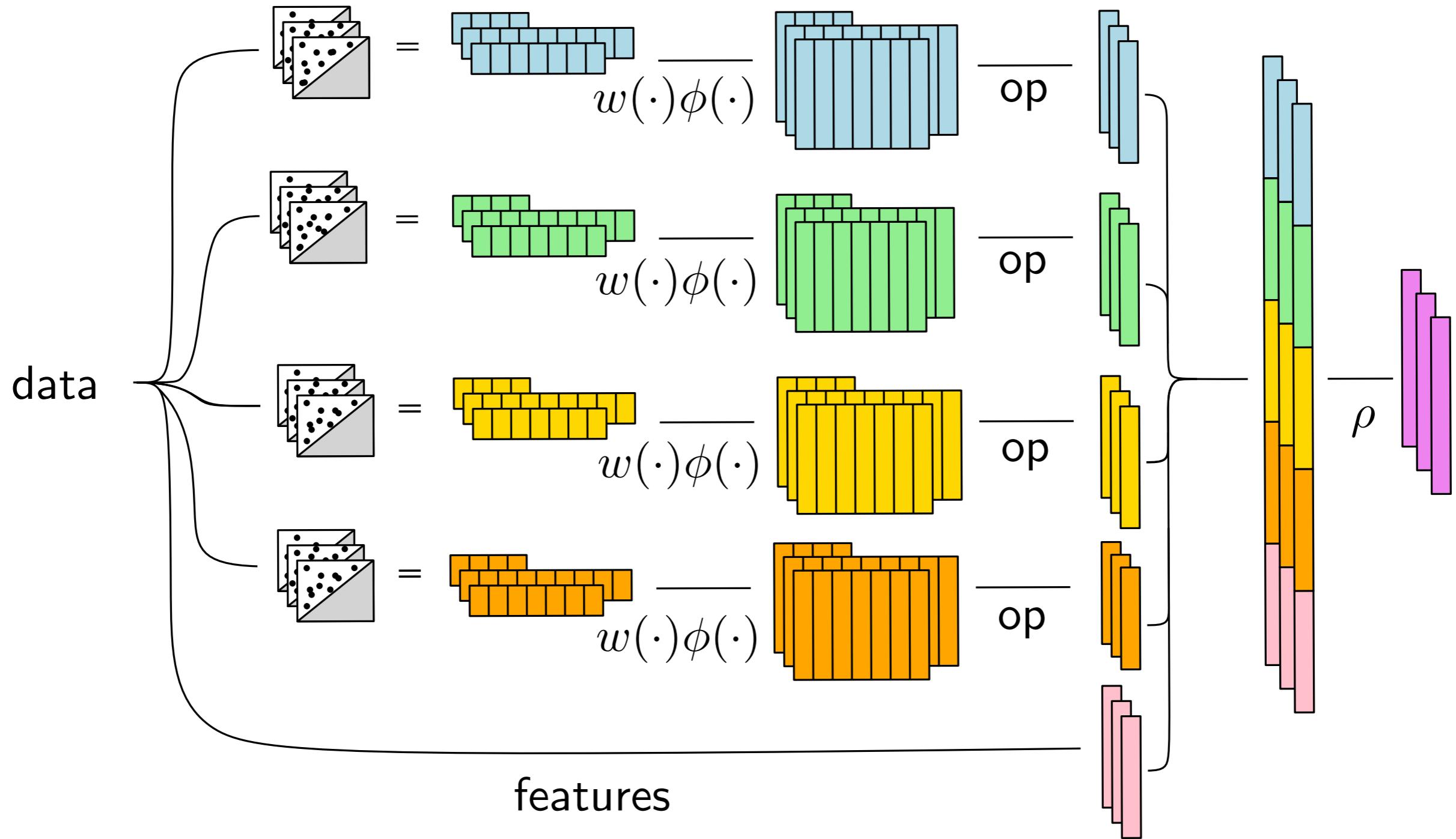
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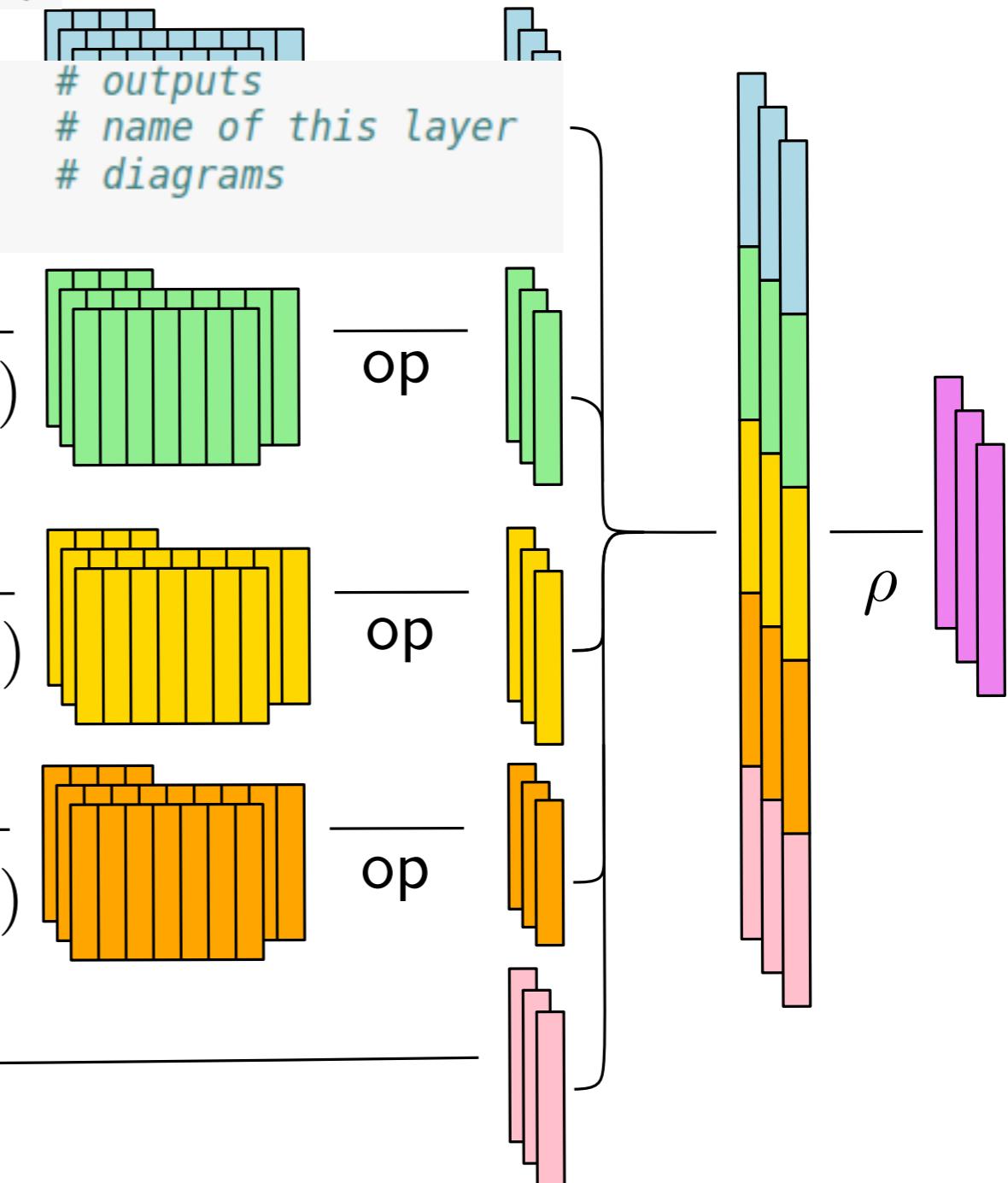
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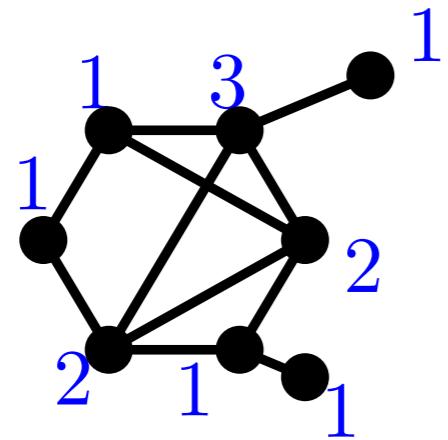
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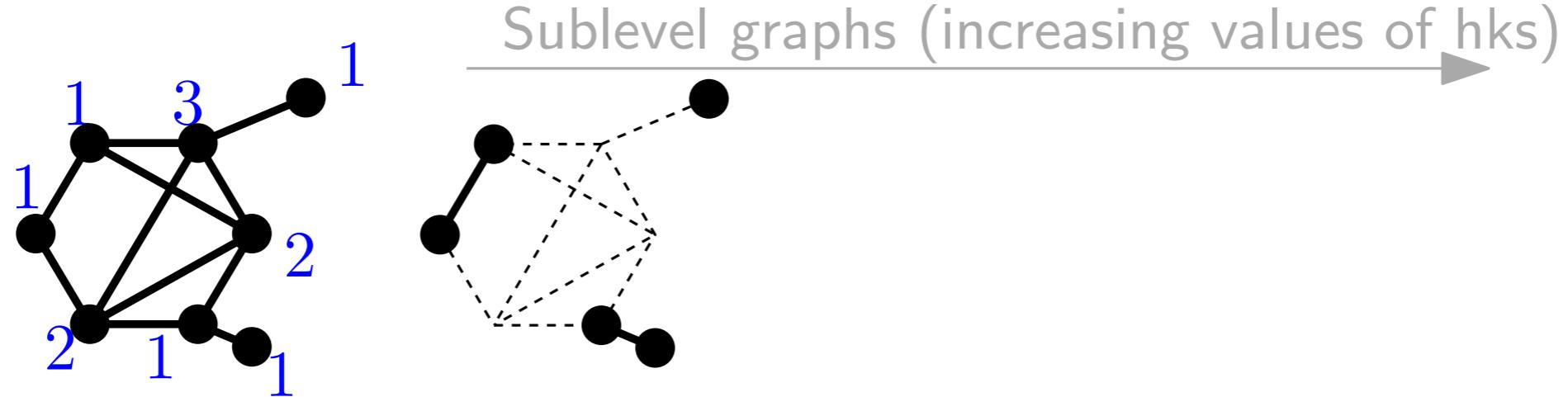


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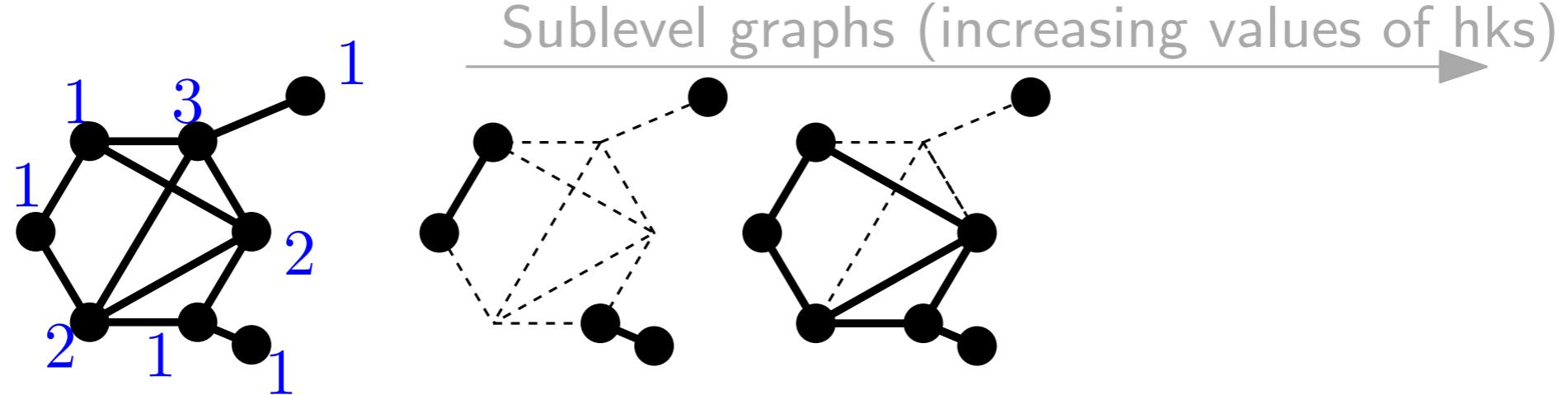


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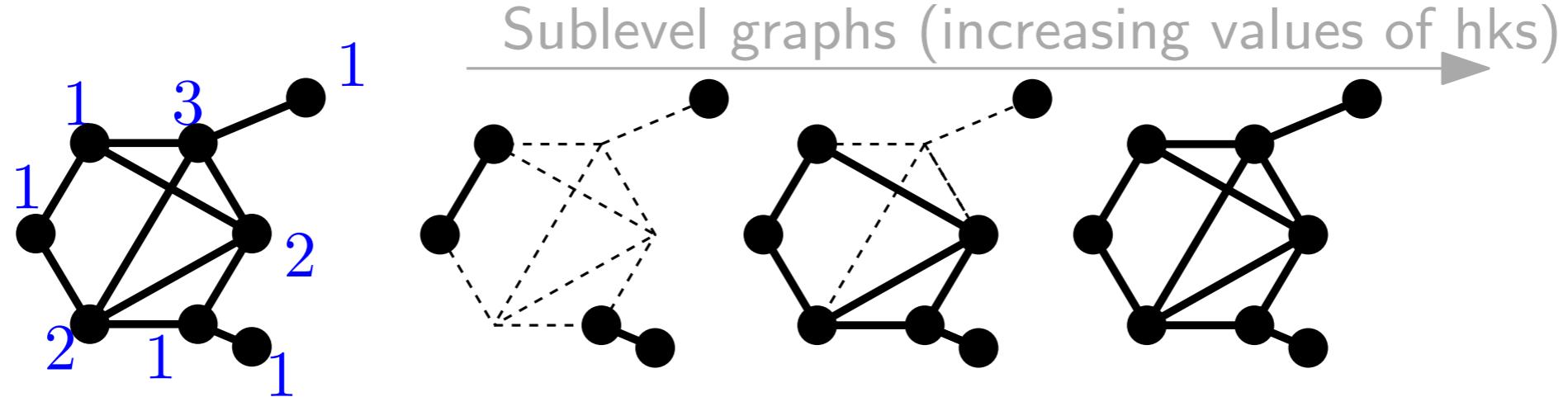


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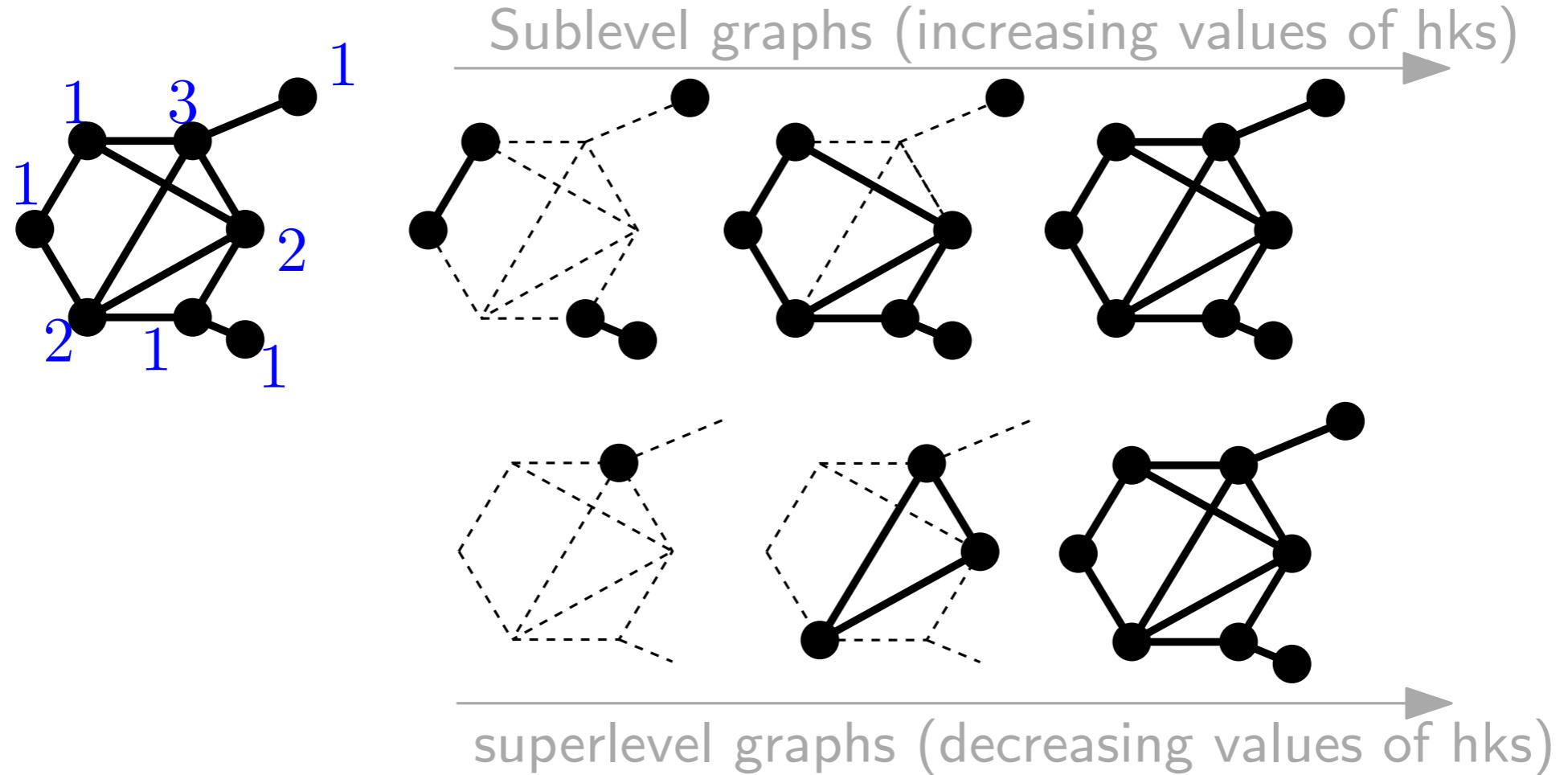


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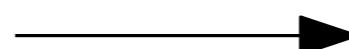
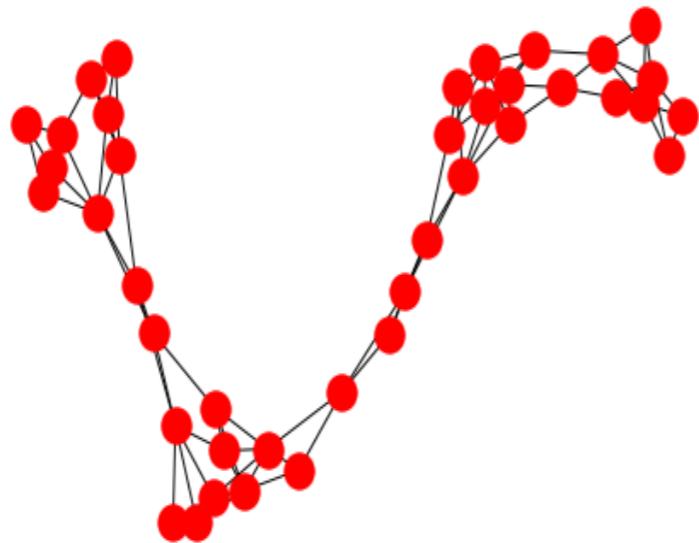
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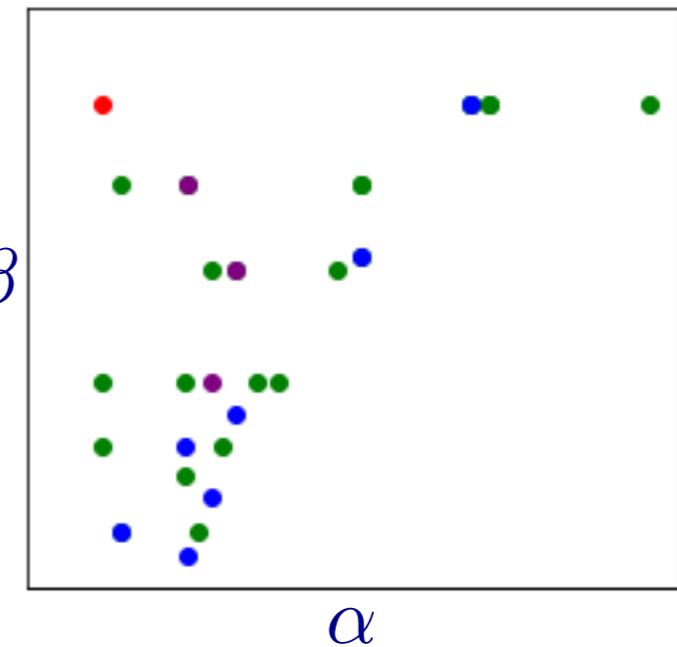
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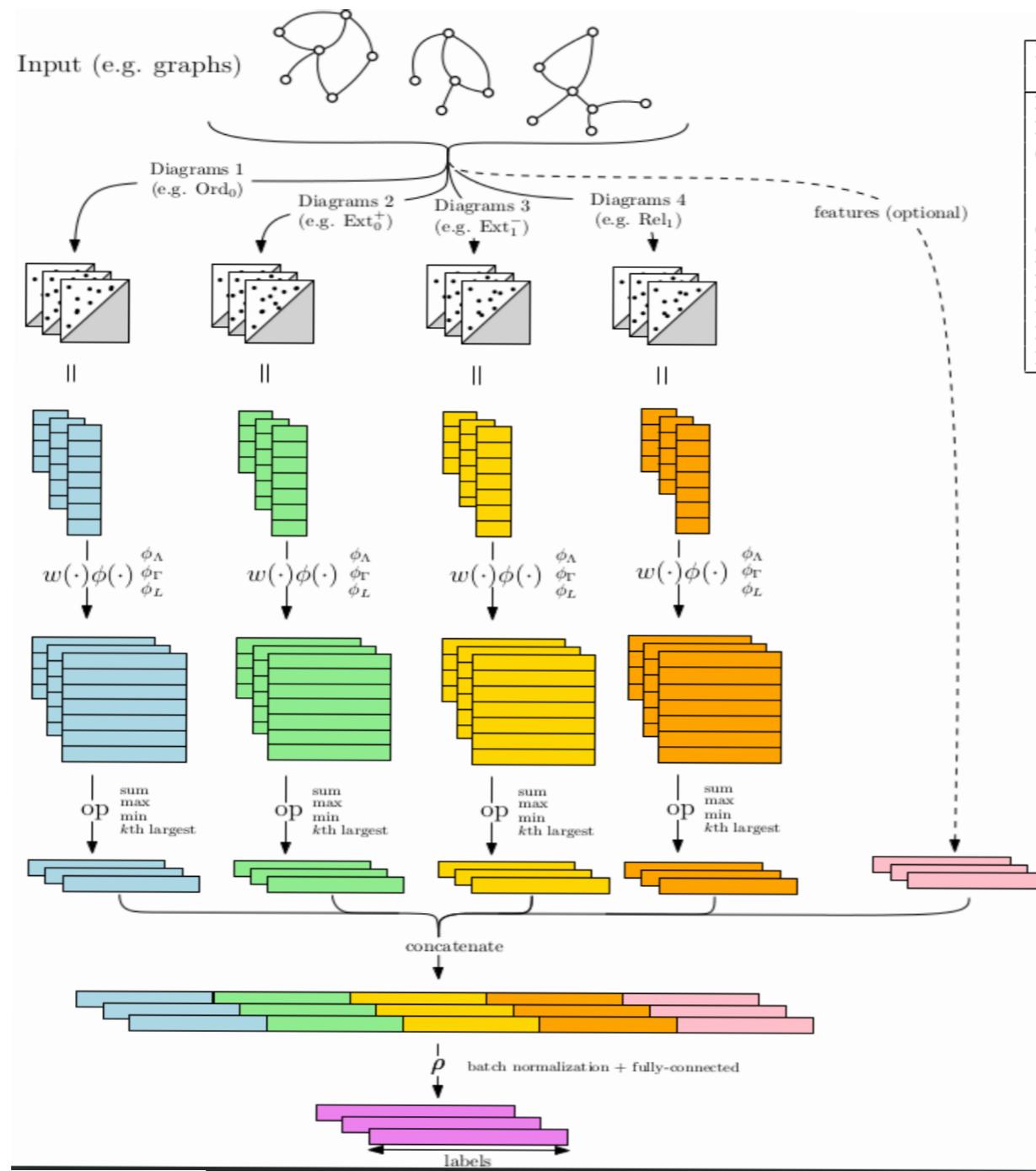


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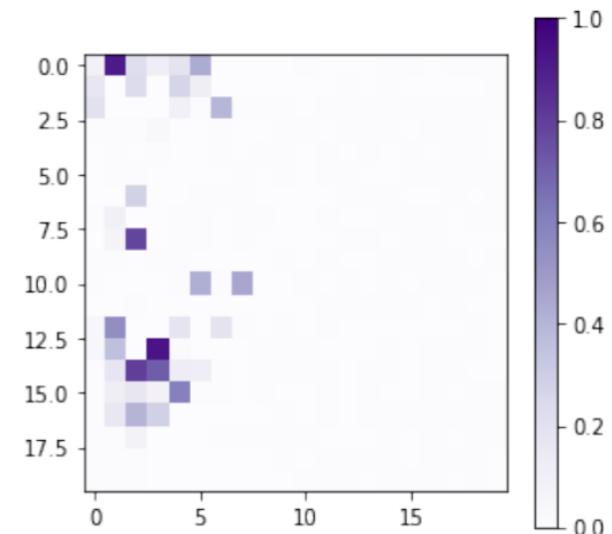
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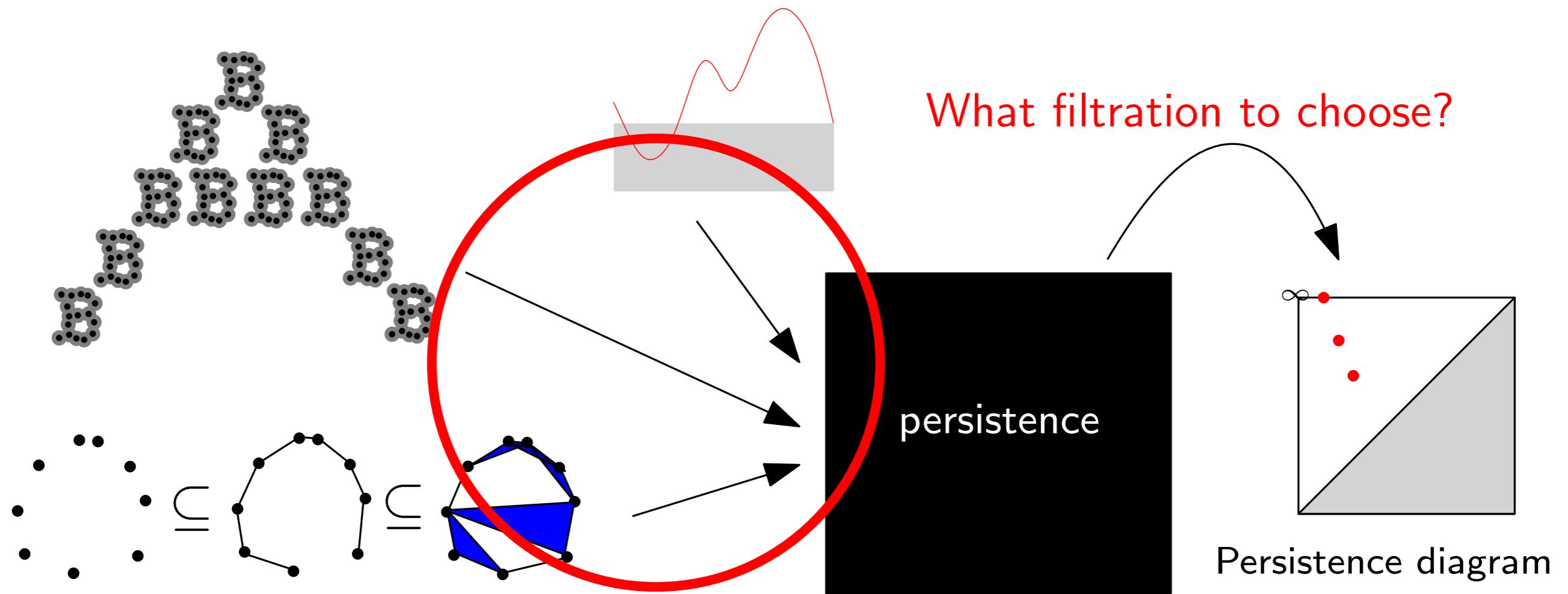
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IMDB-M	50.3	47.7	52.4	50.3	52.1	48.8	52.2
COX2*	78.4	80.1	—	—	—	80.9	81.6
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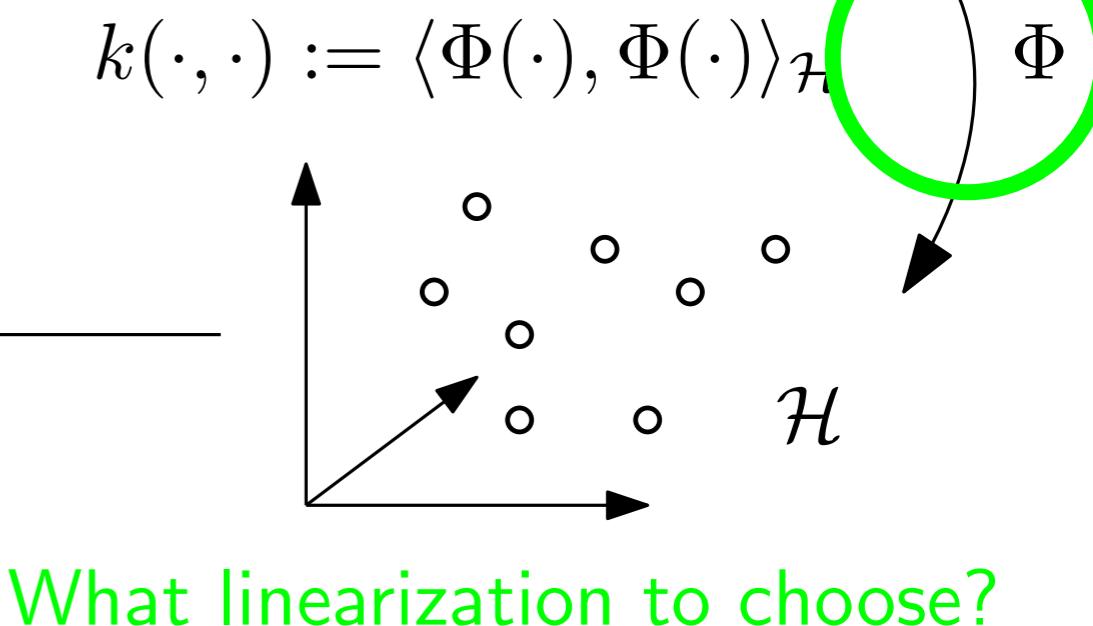
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Persistence diagrams and optimization



- Classifier (RF, SVM, NN etc.)
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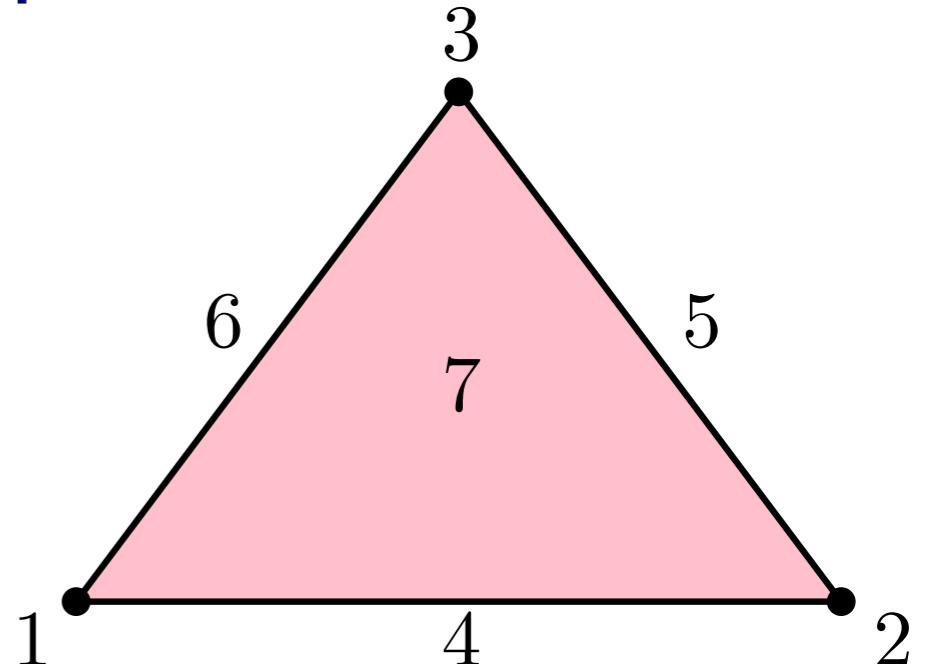
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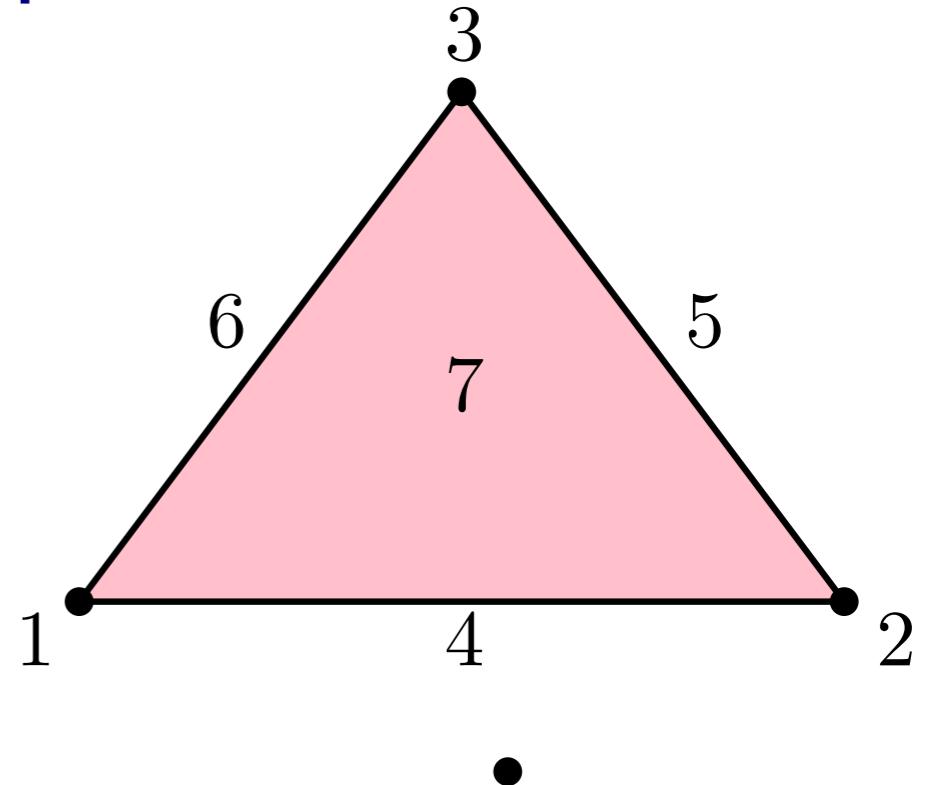
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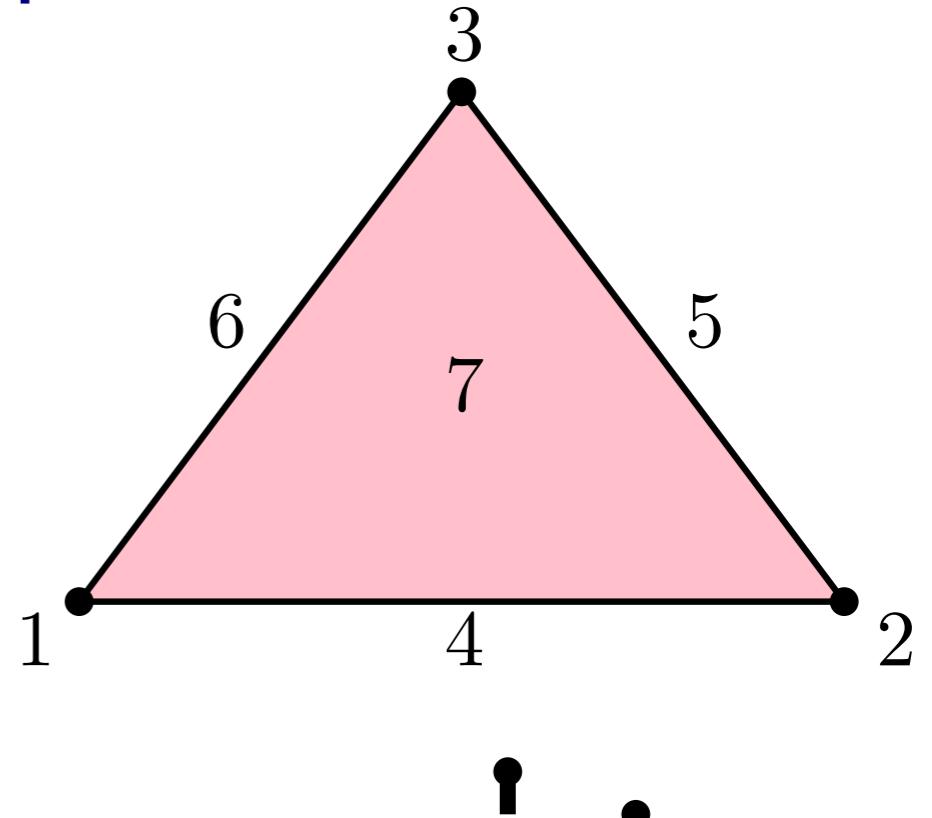
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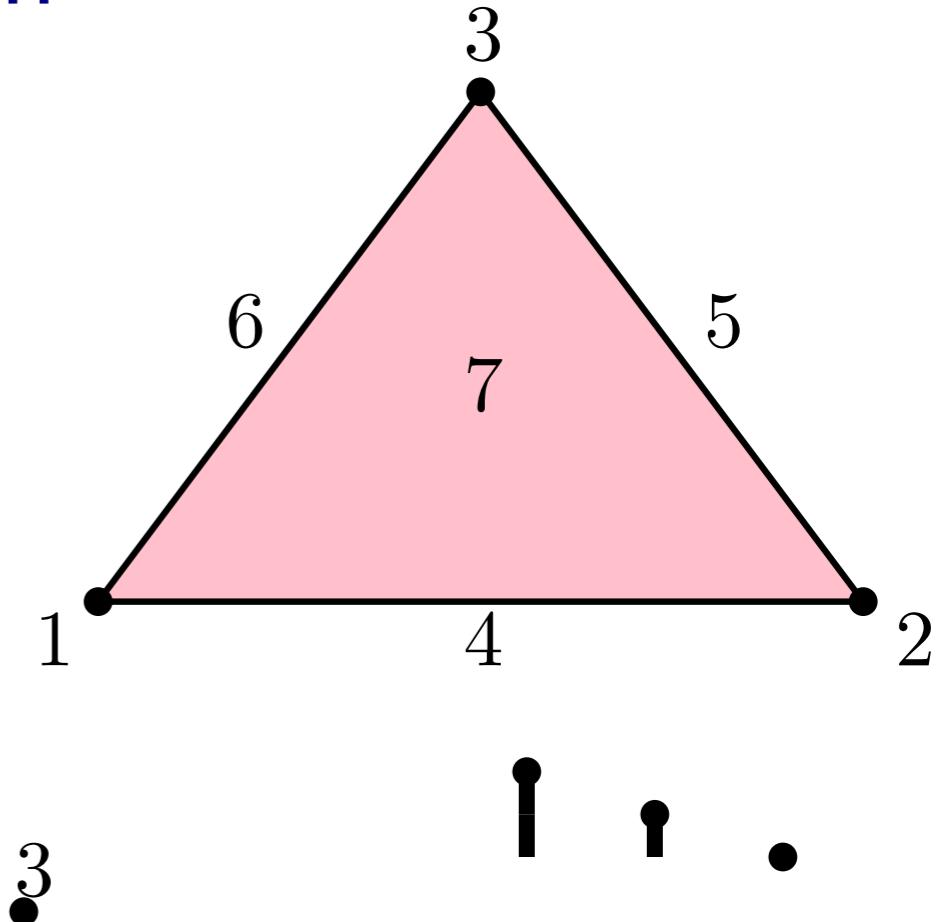
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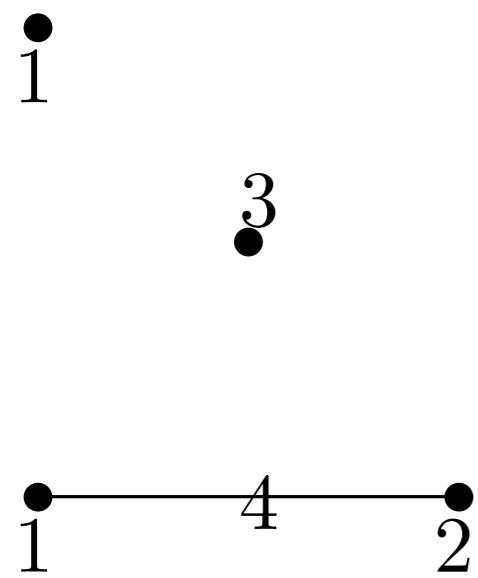
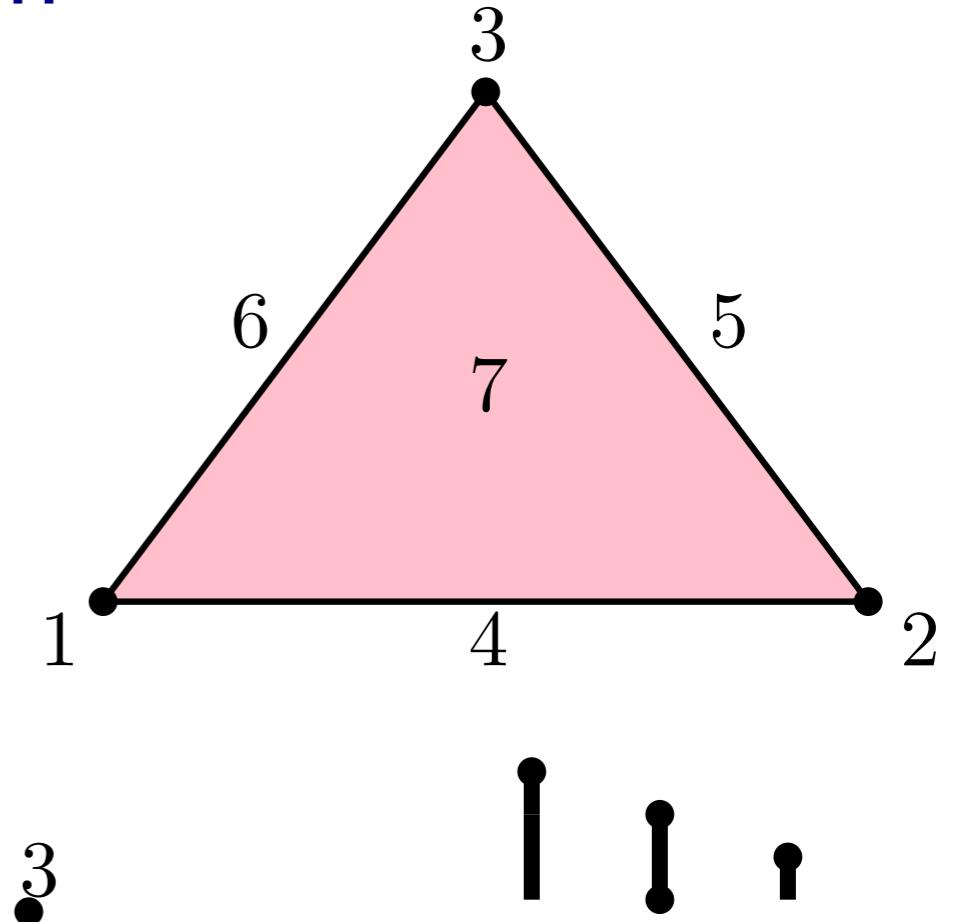
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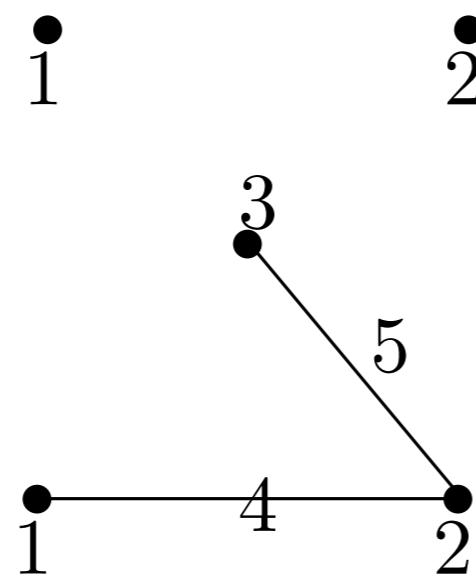
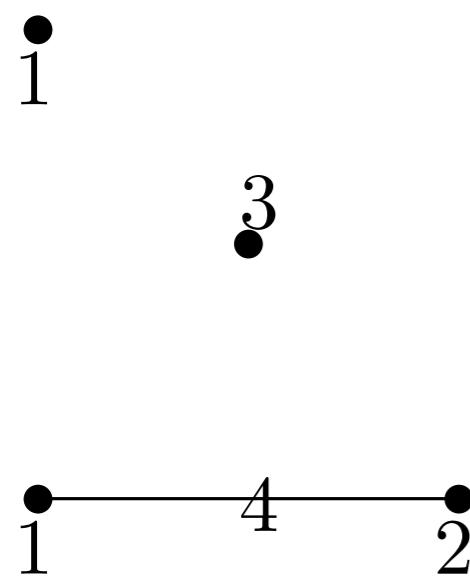
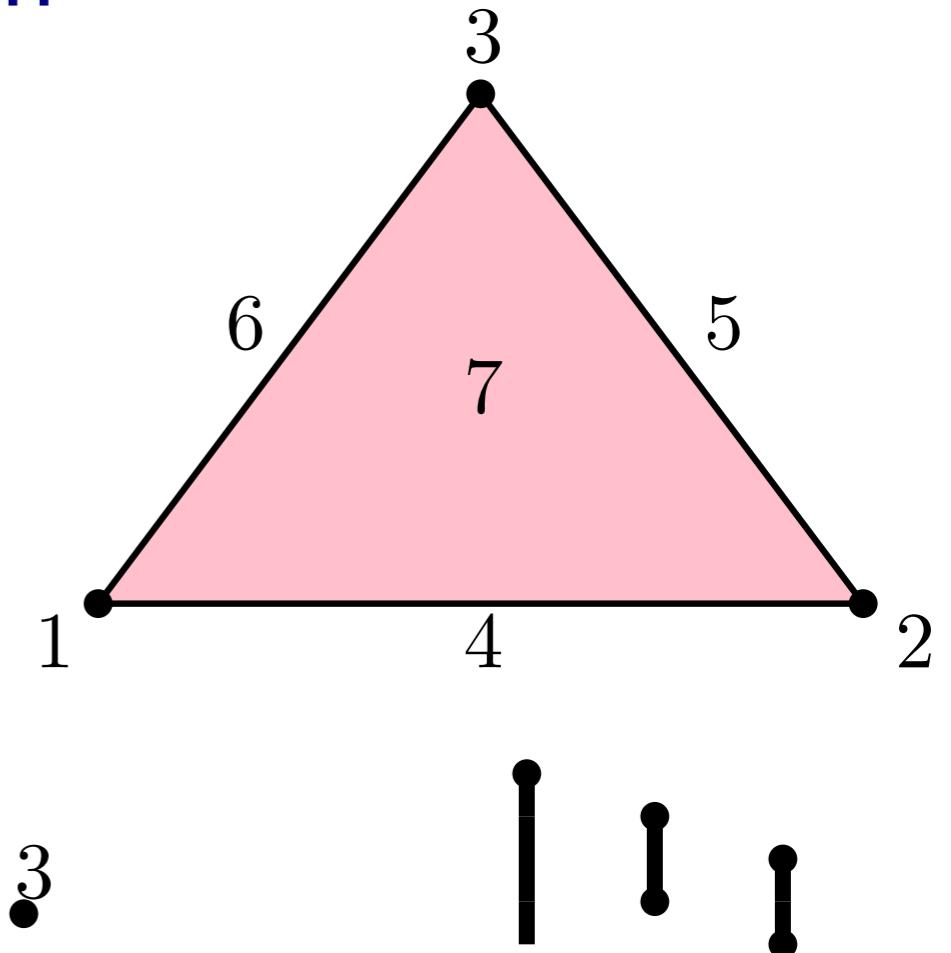
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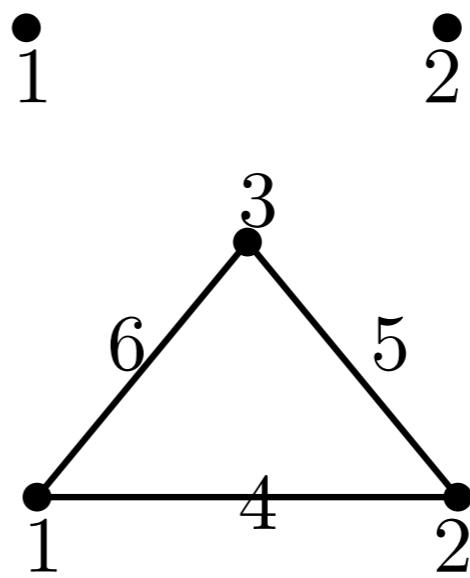
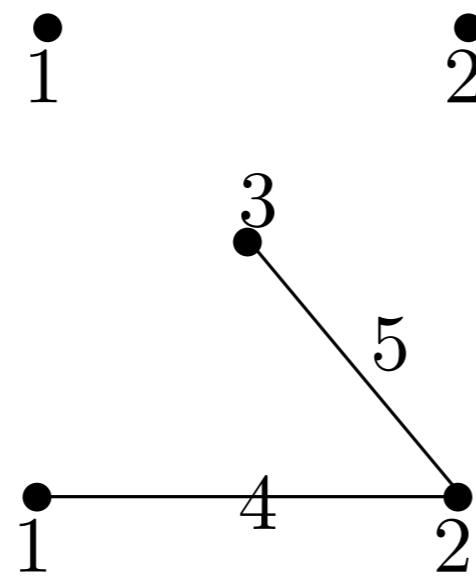
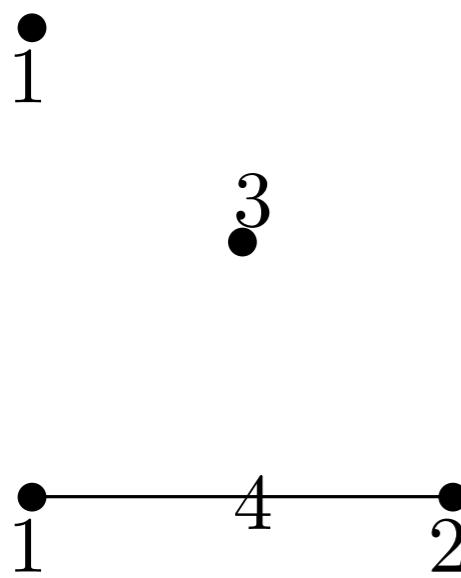
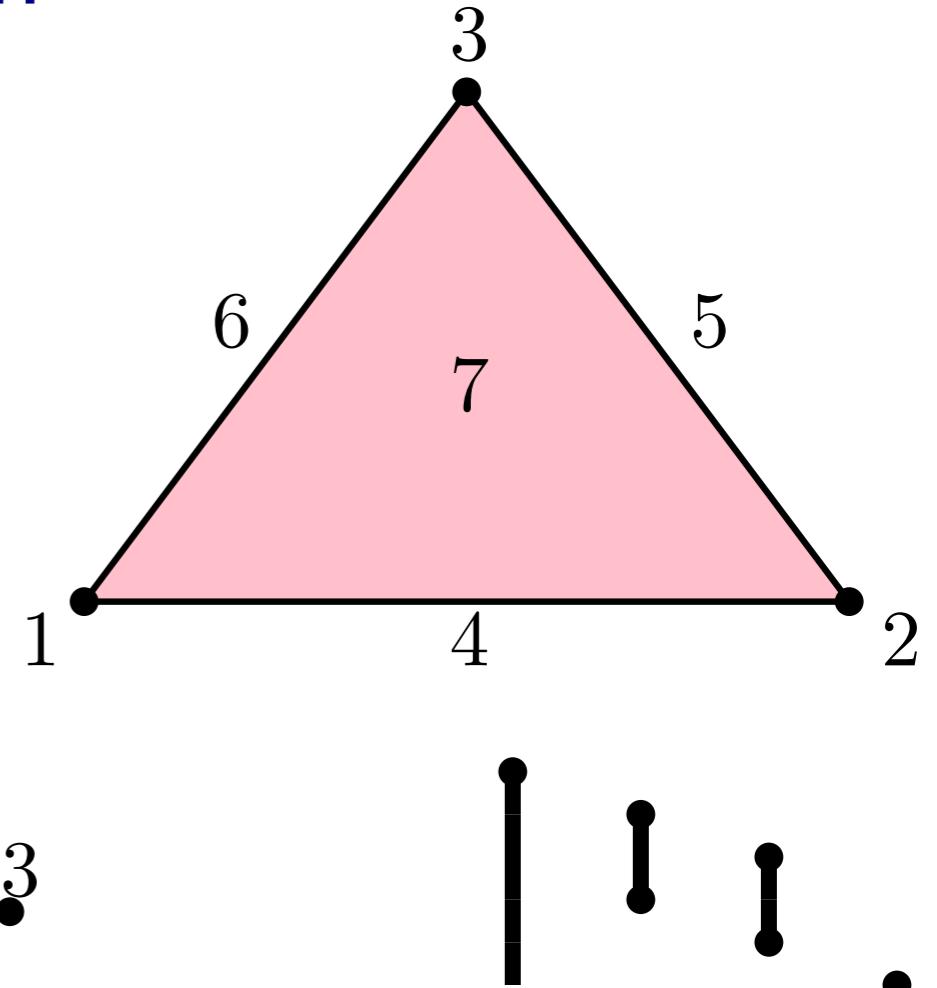
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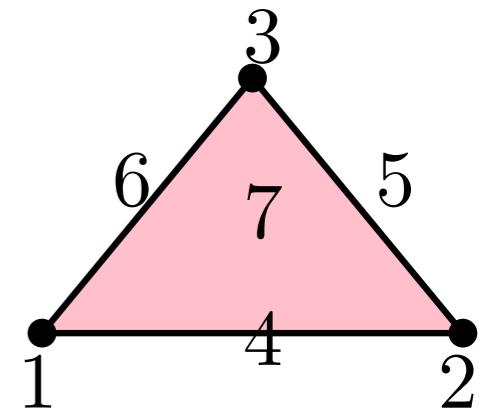
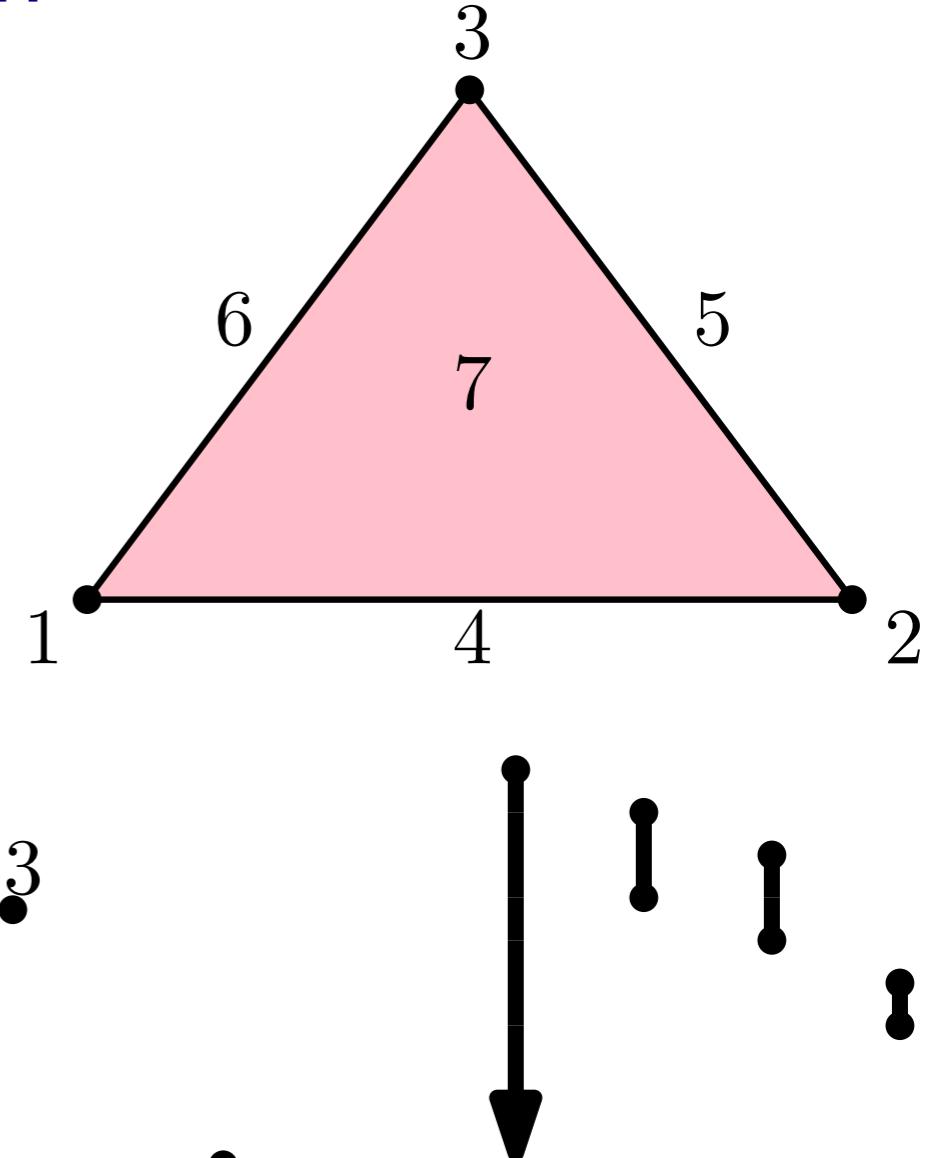
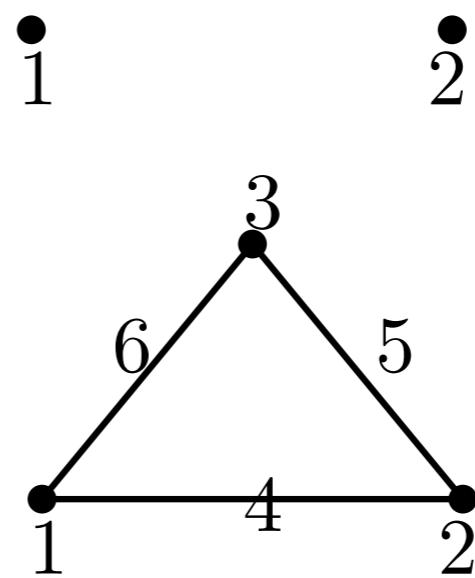
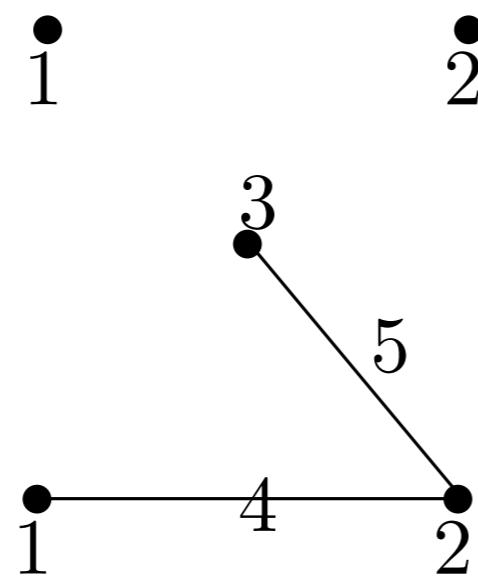
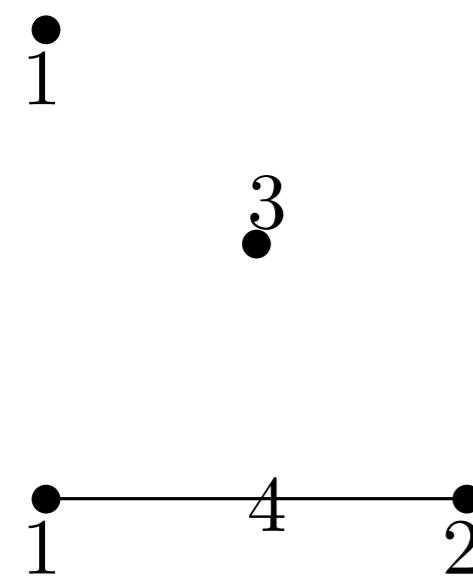
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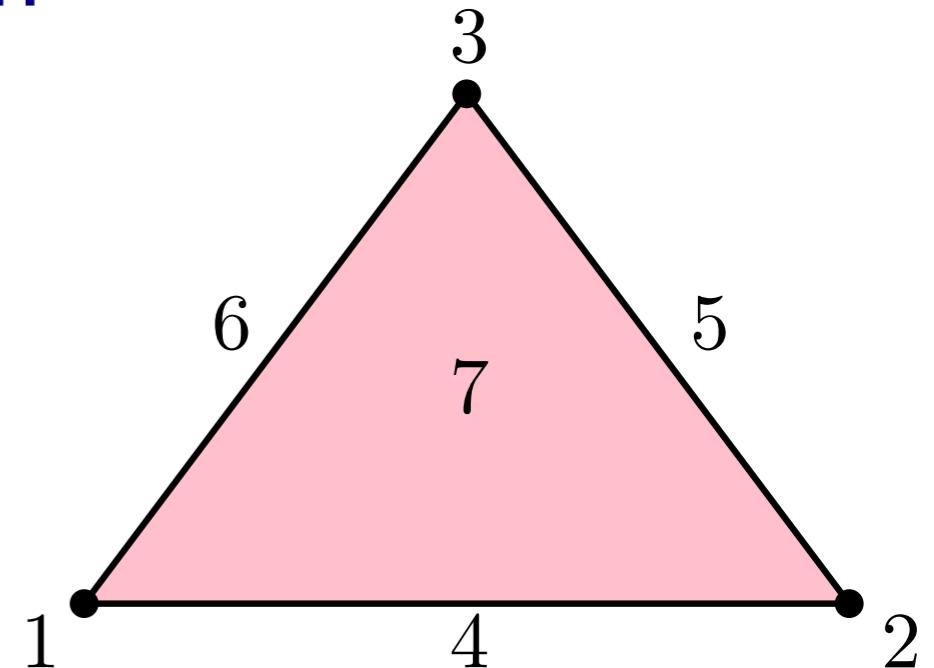
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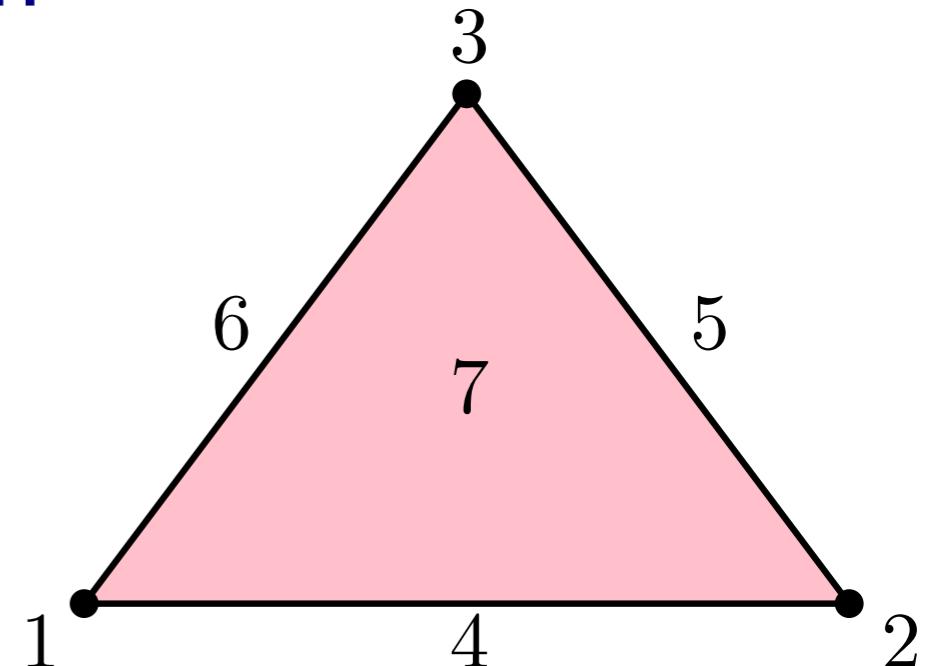
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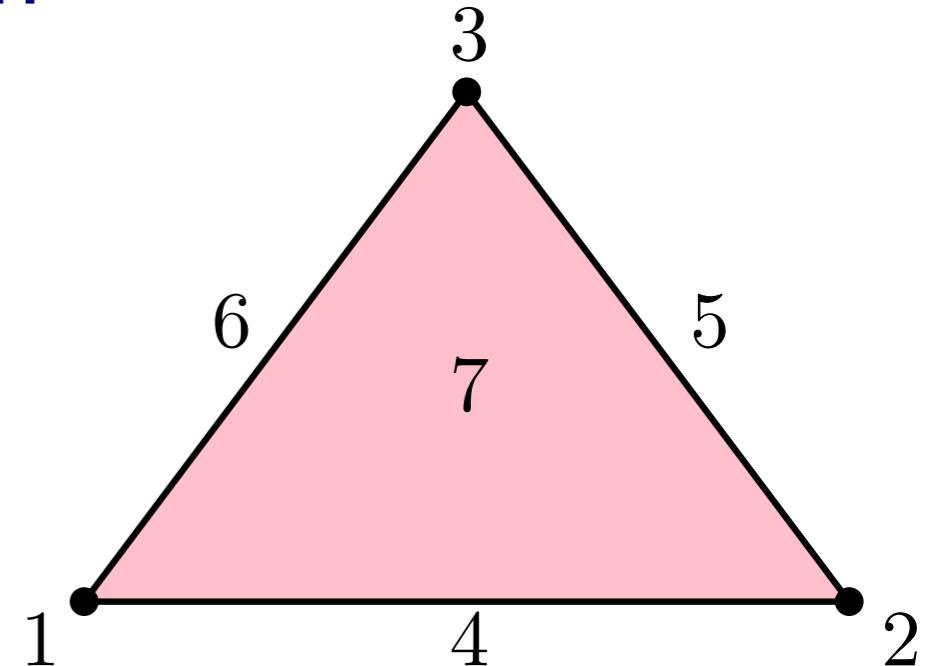
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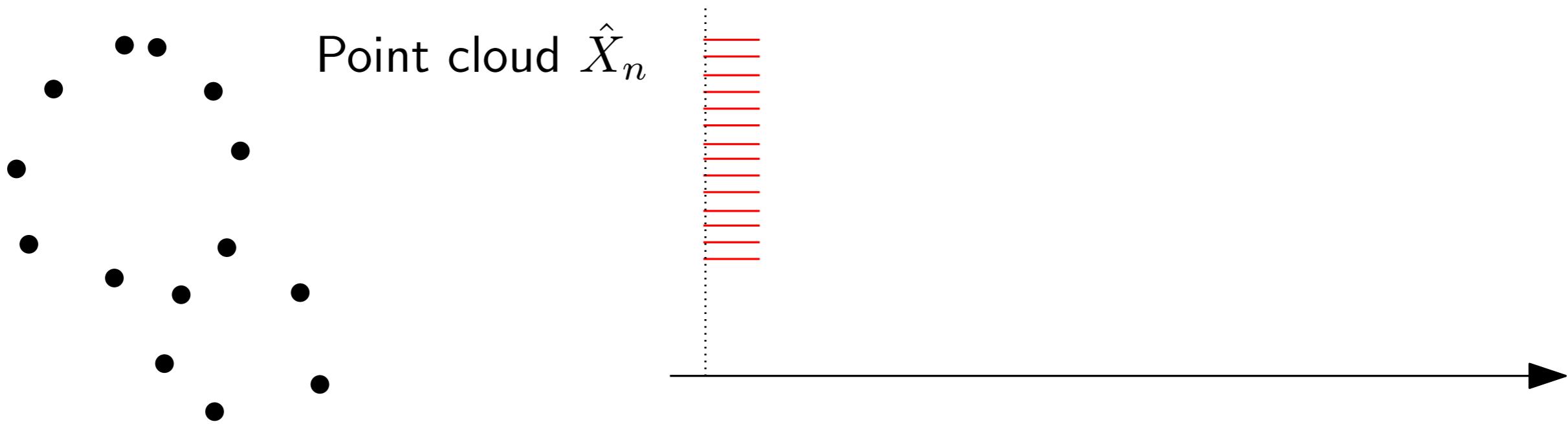


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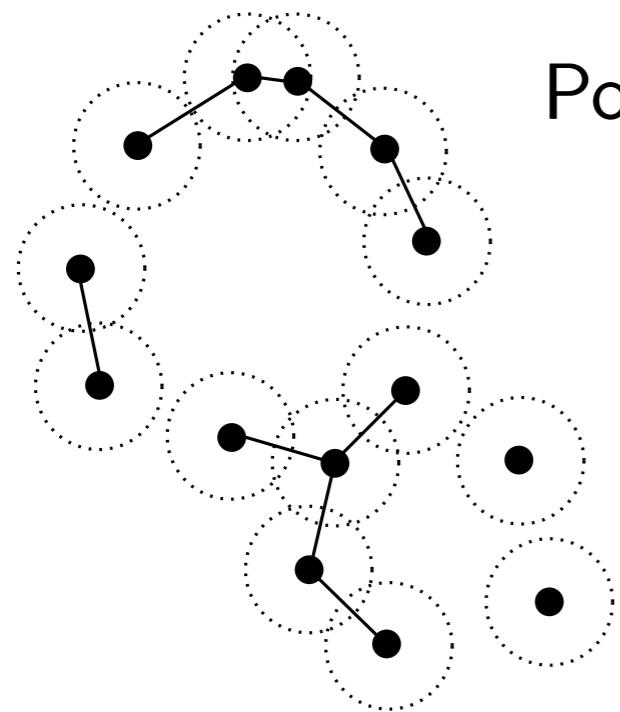
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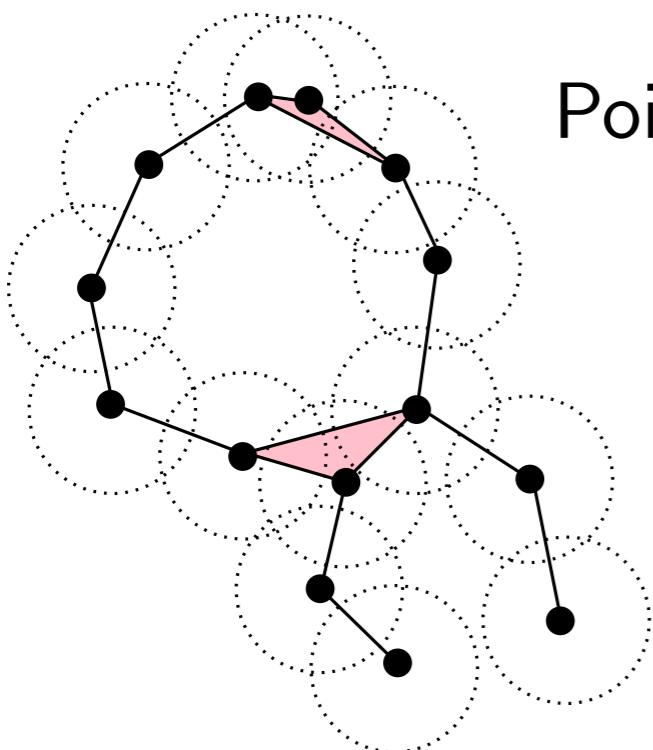
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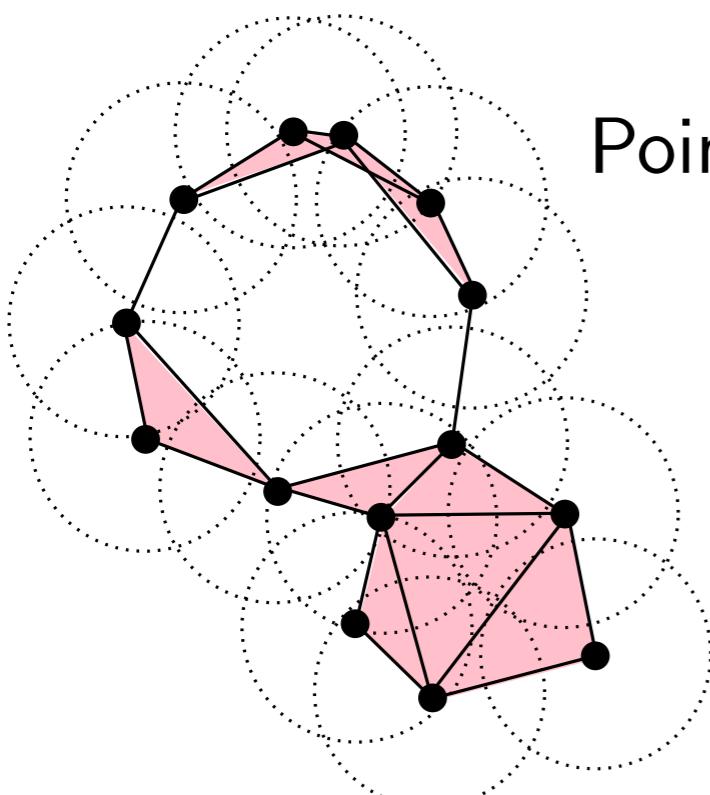
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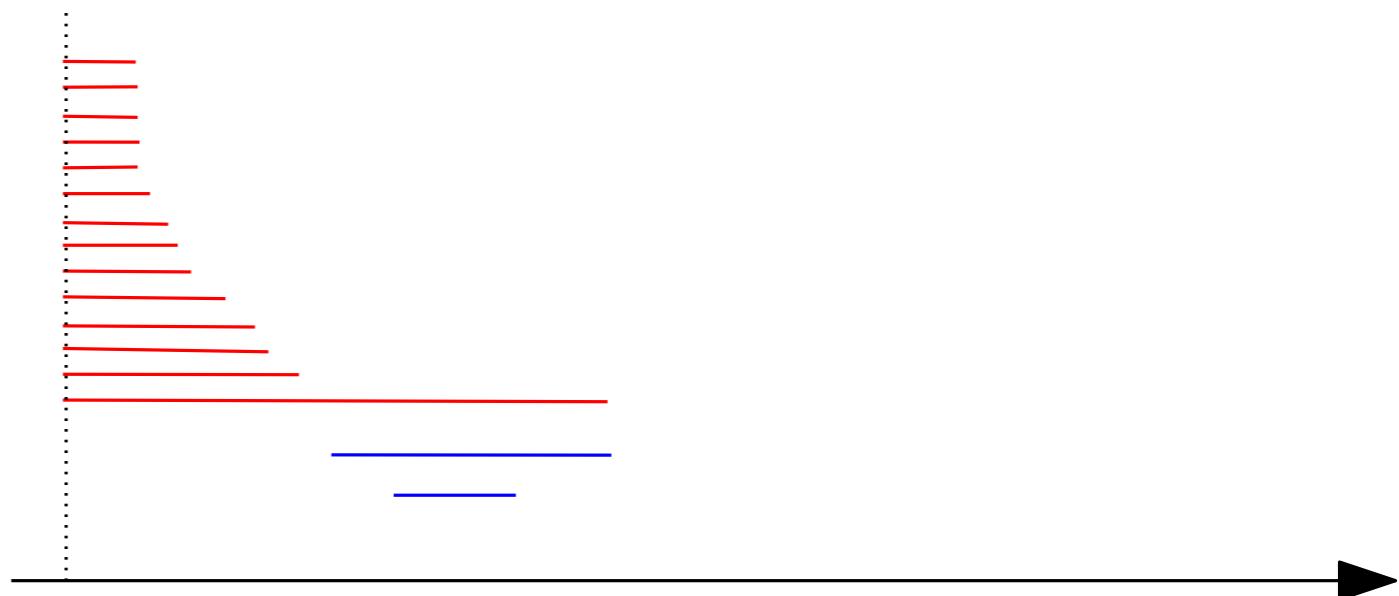
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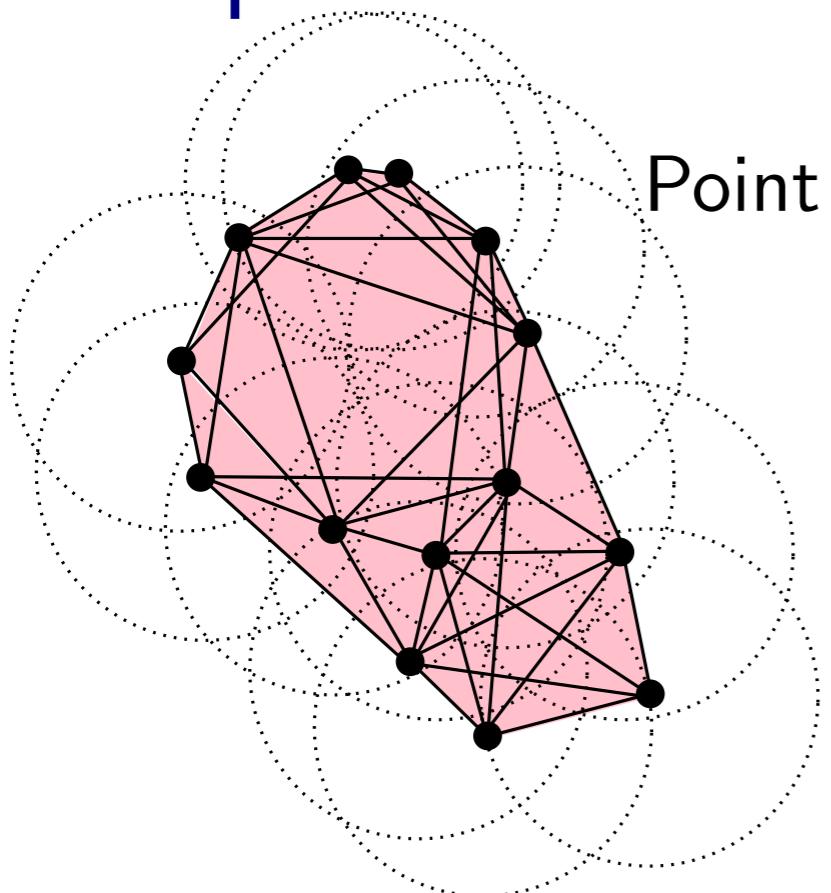
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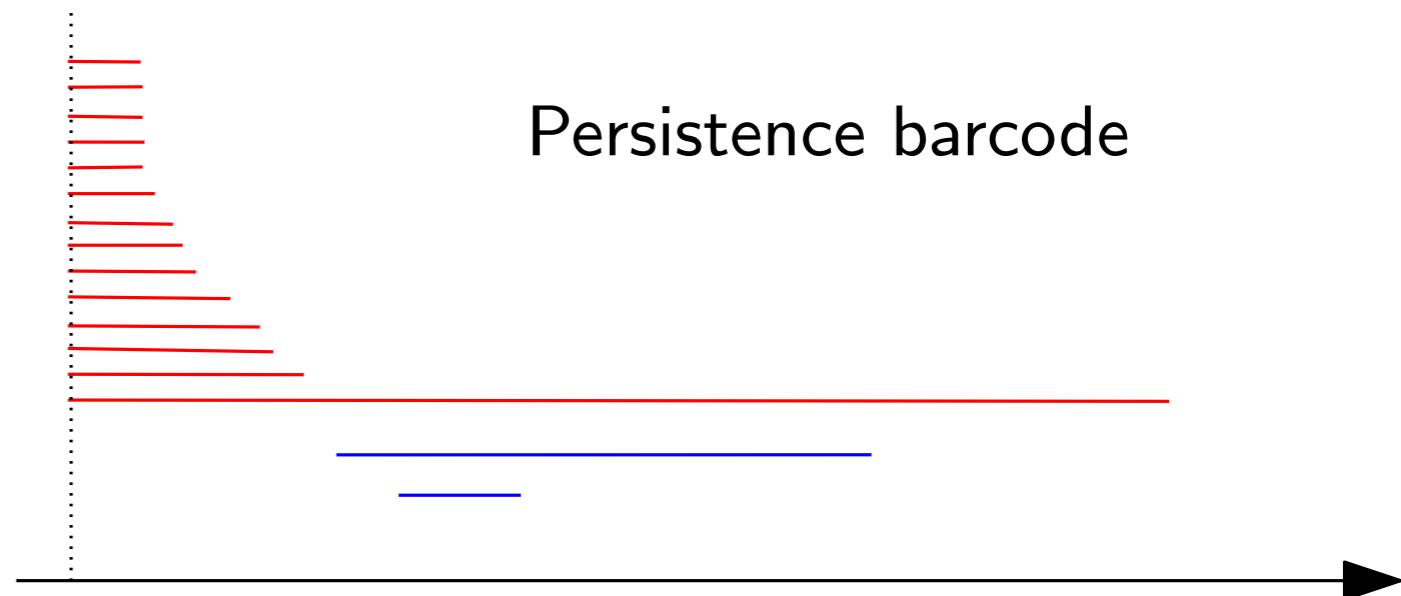
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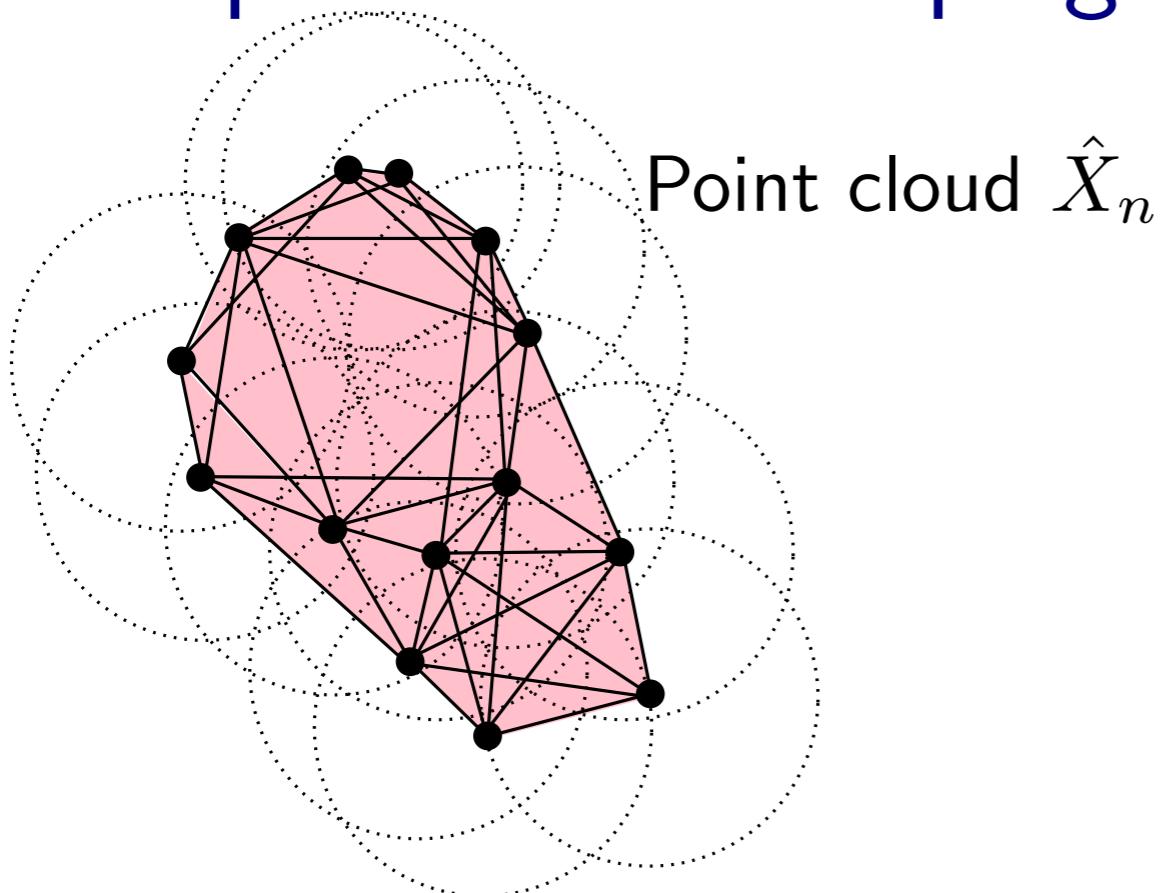


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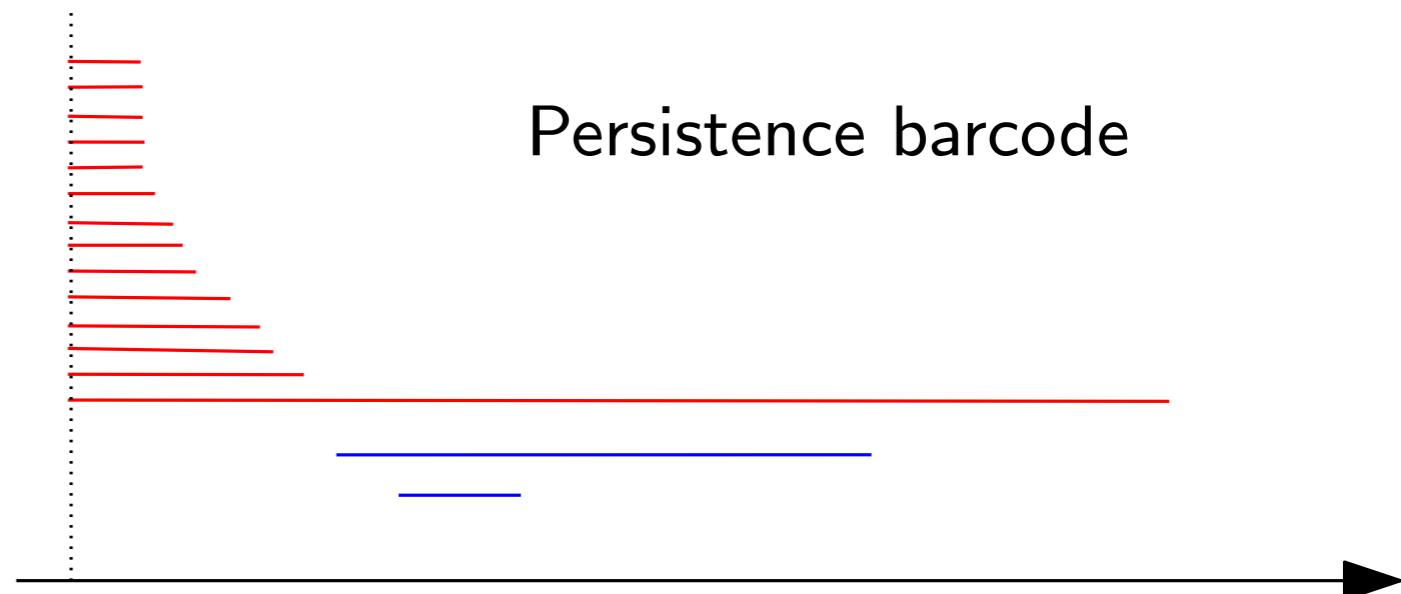


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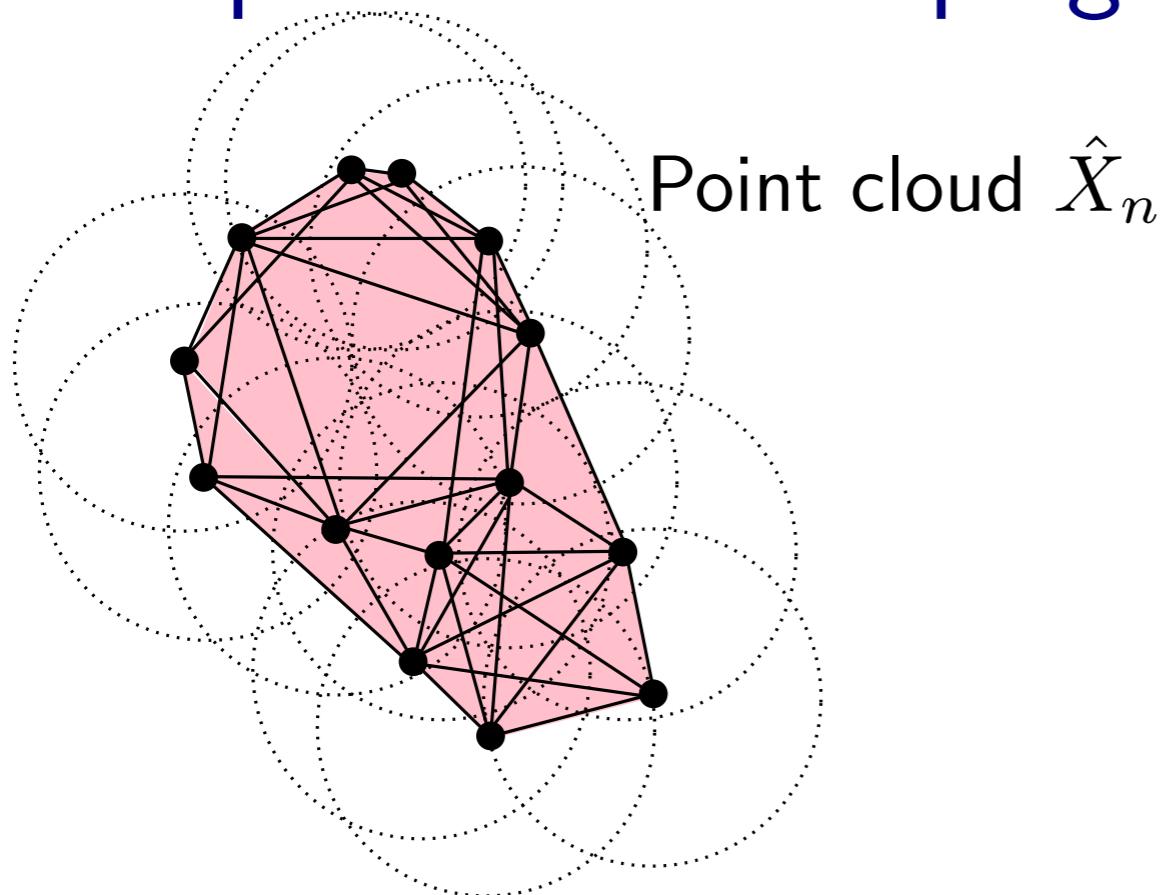


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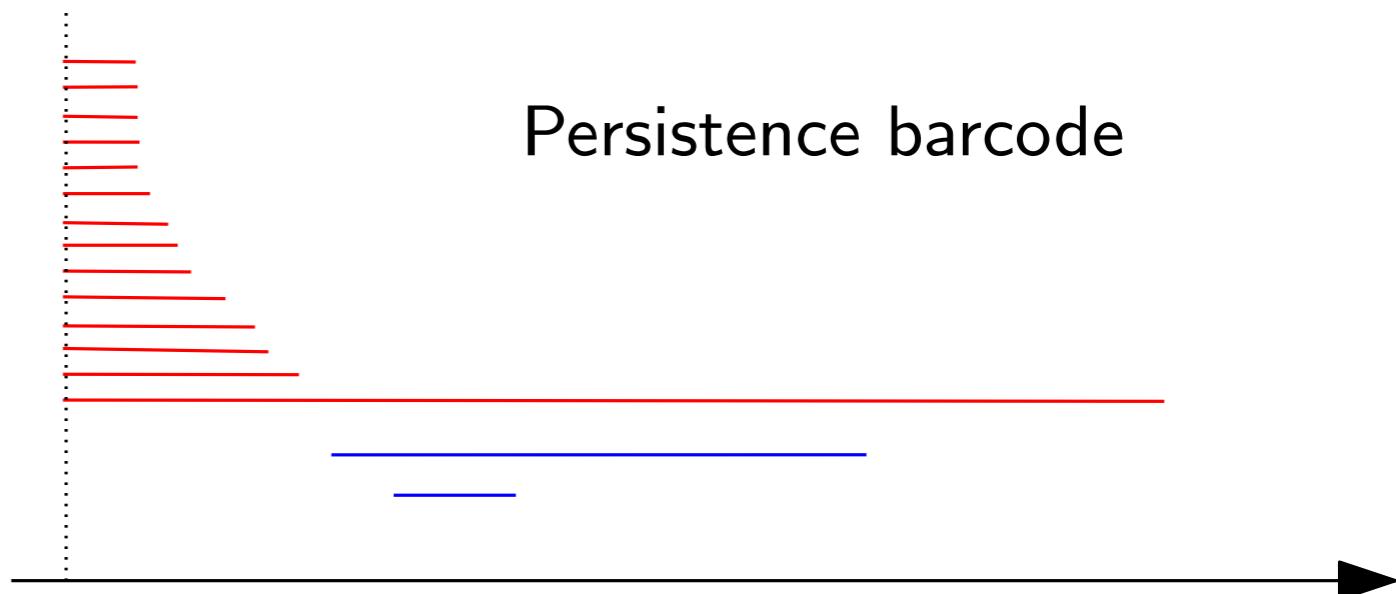
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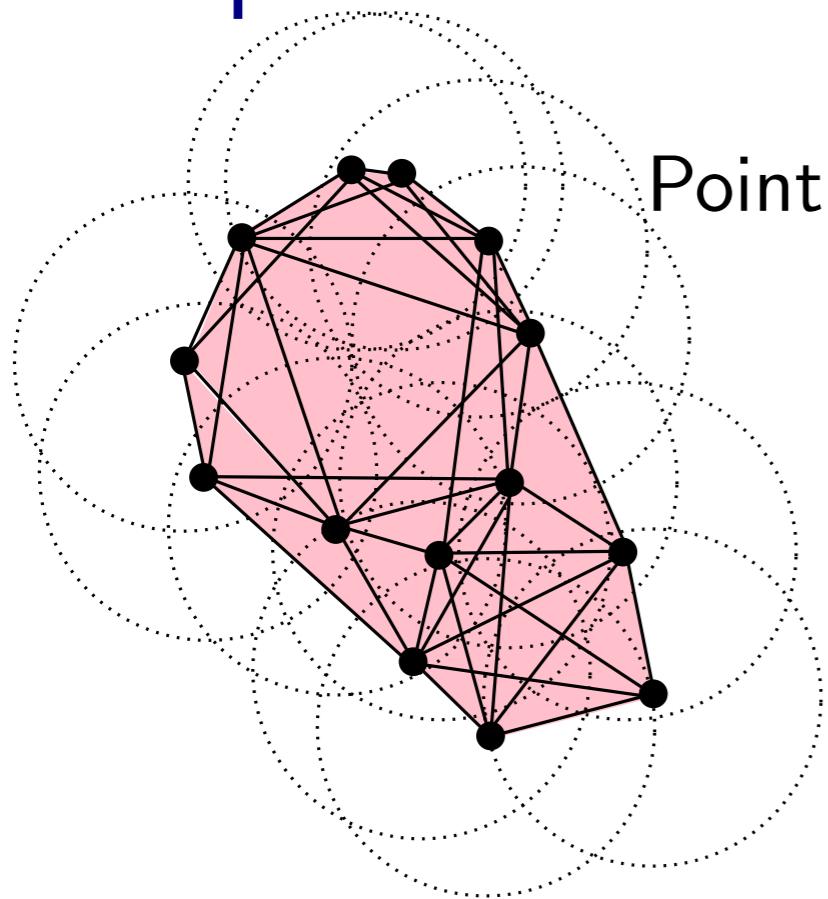
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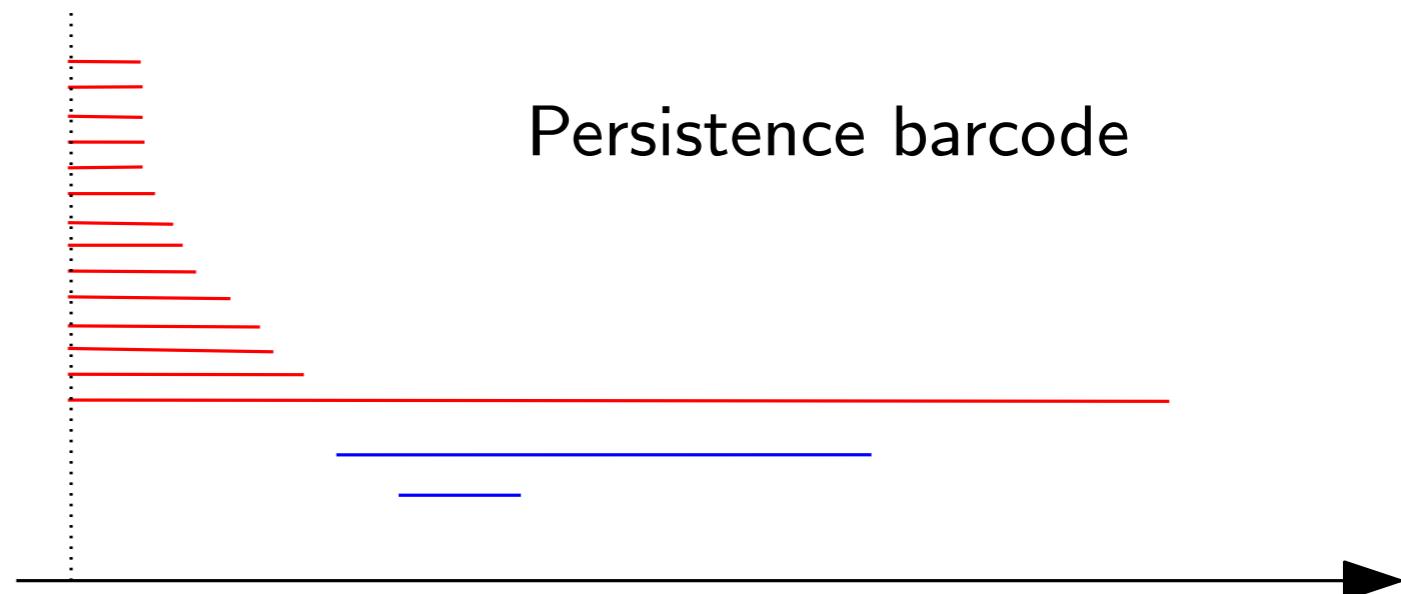
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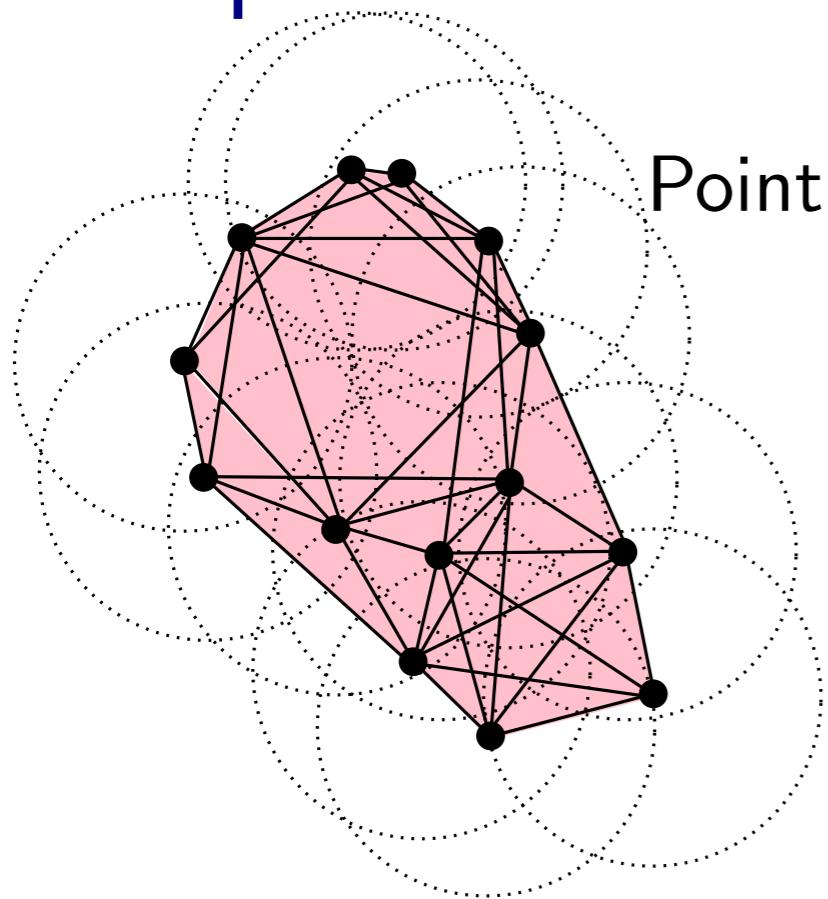
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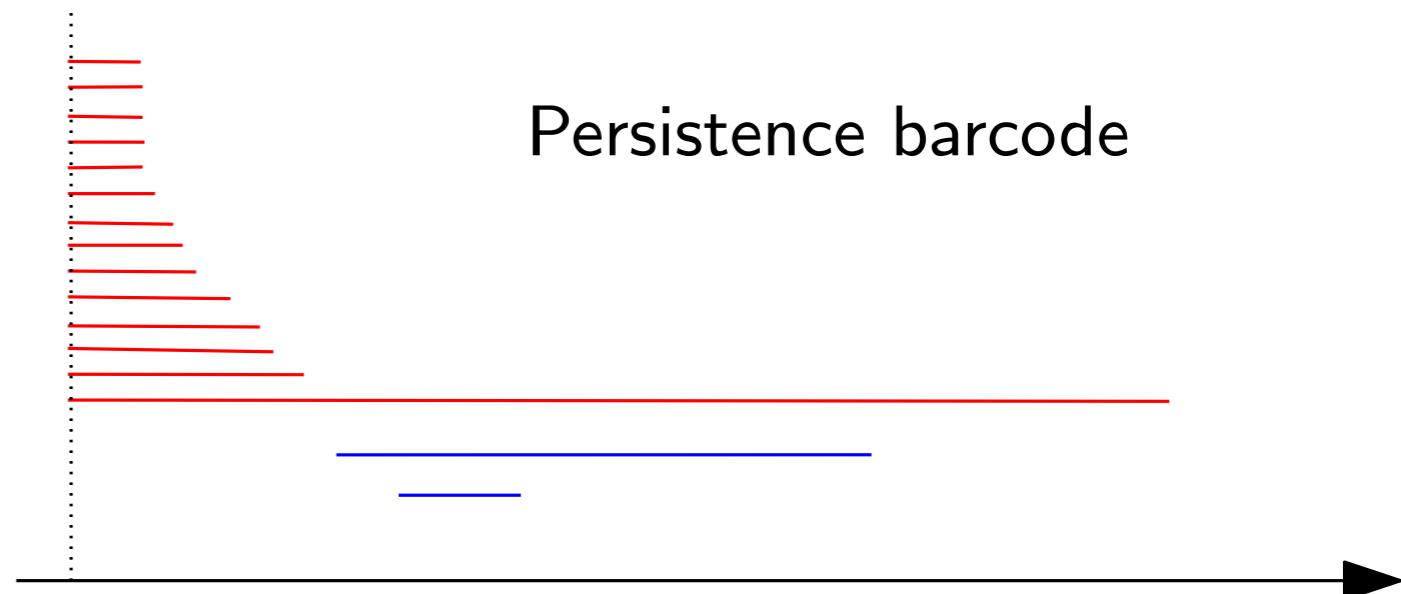
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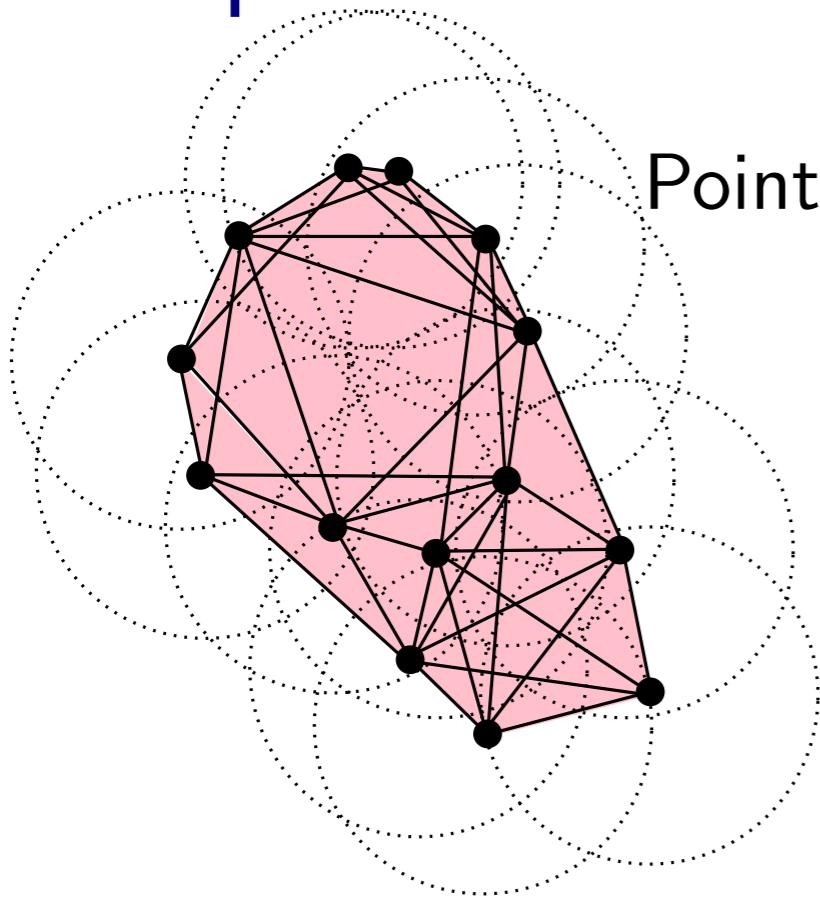
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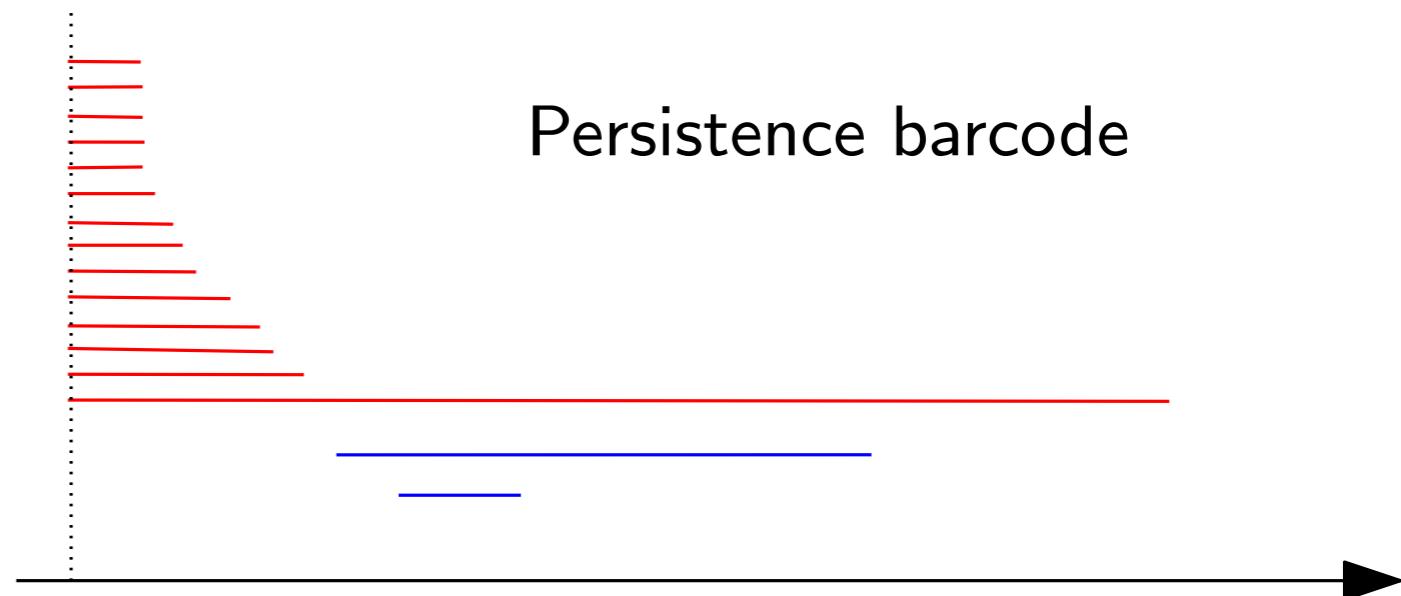
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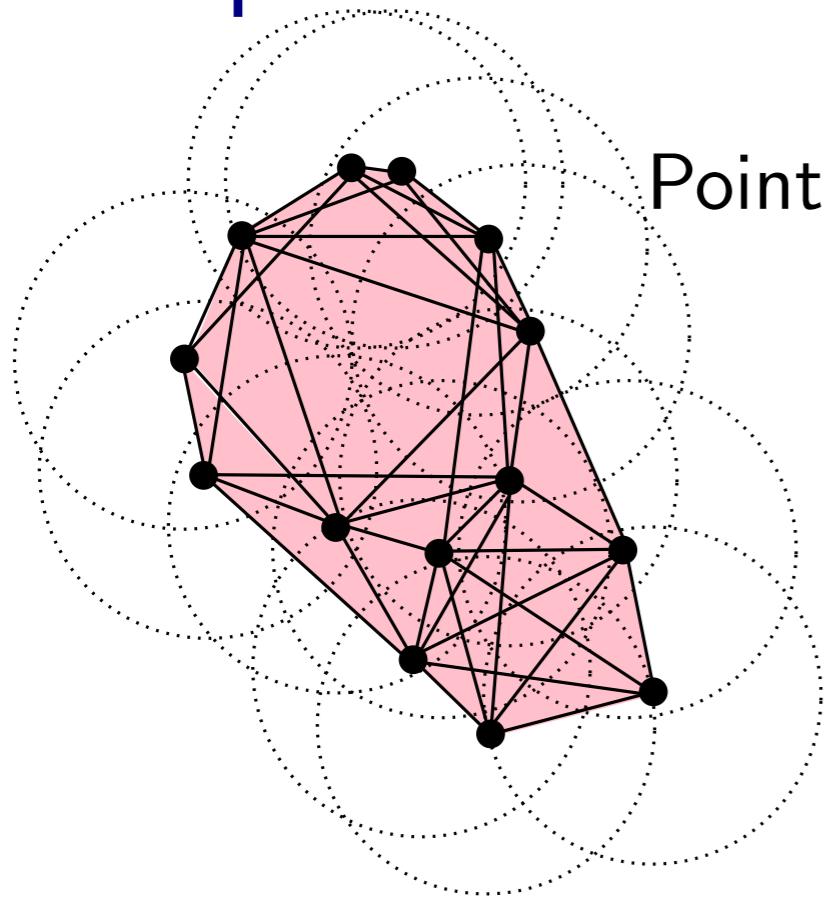
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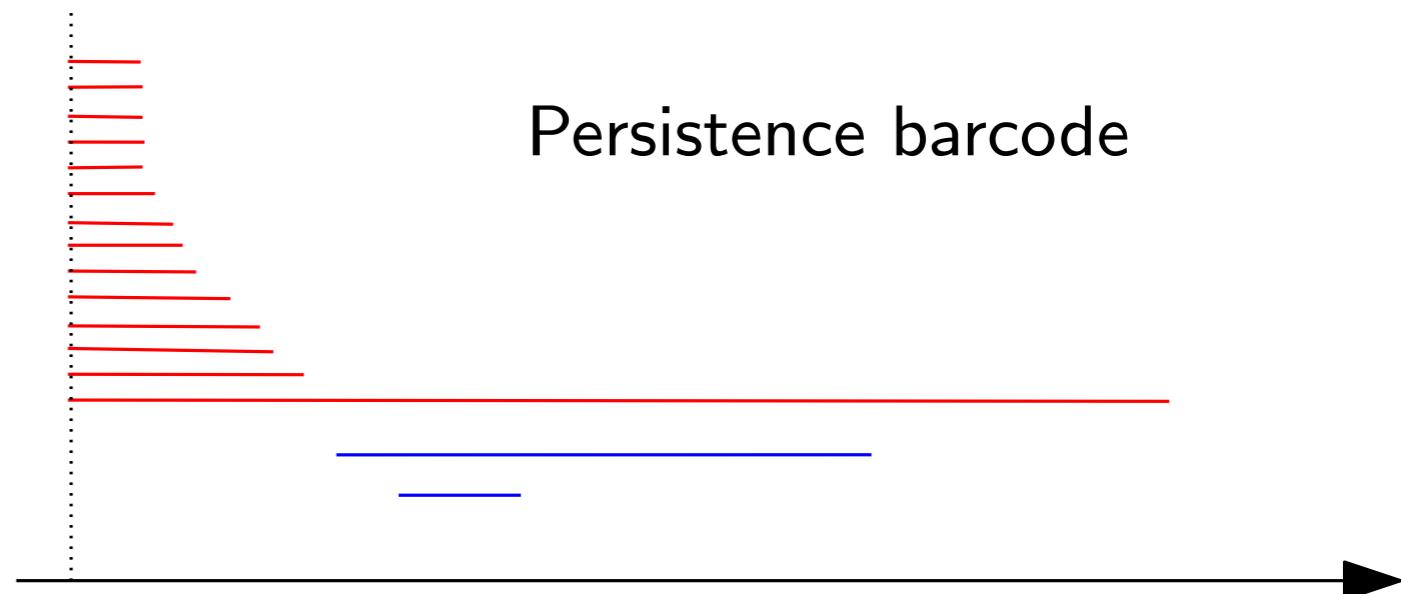
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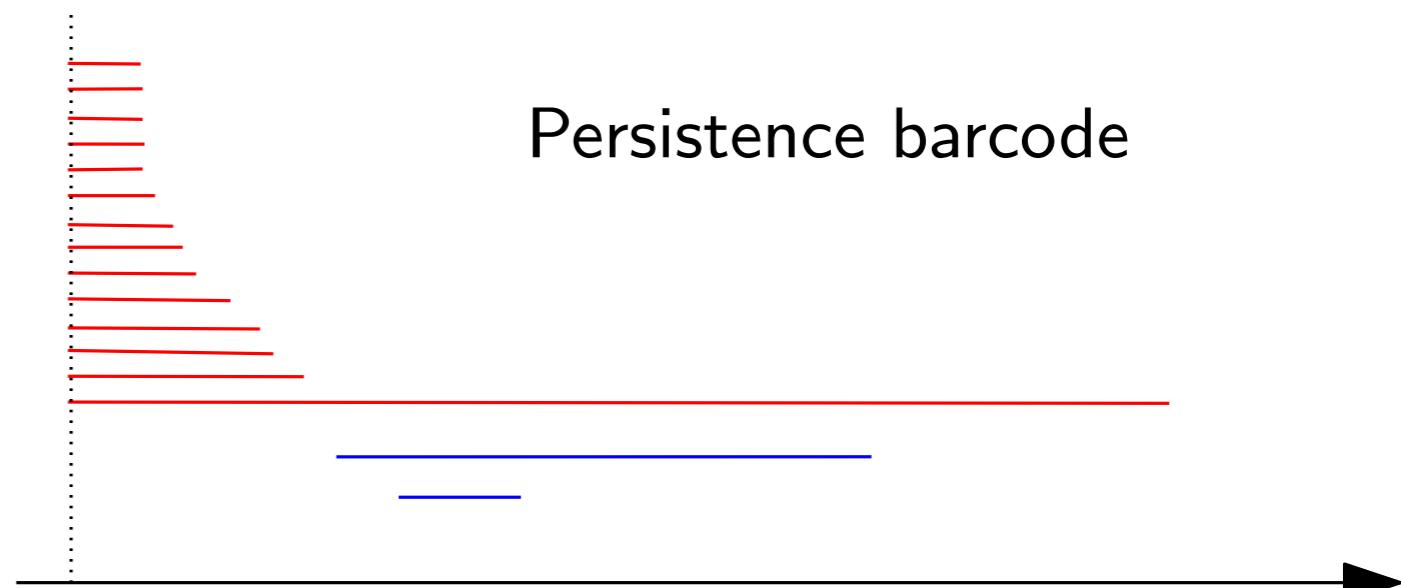
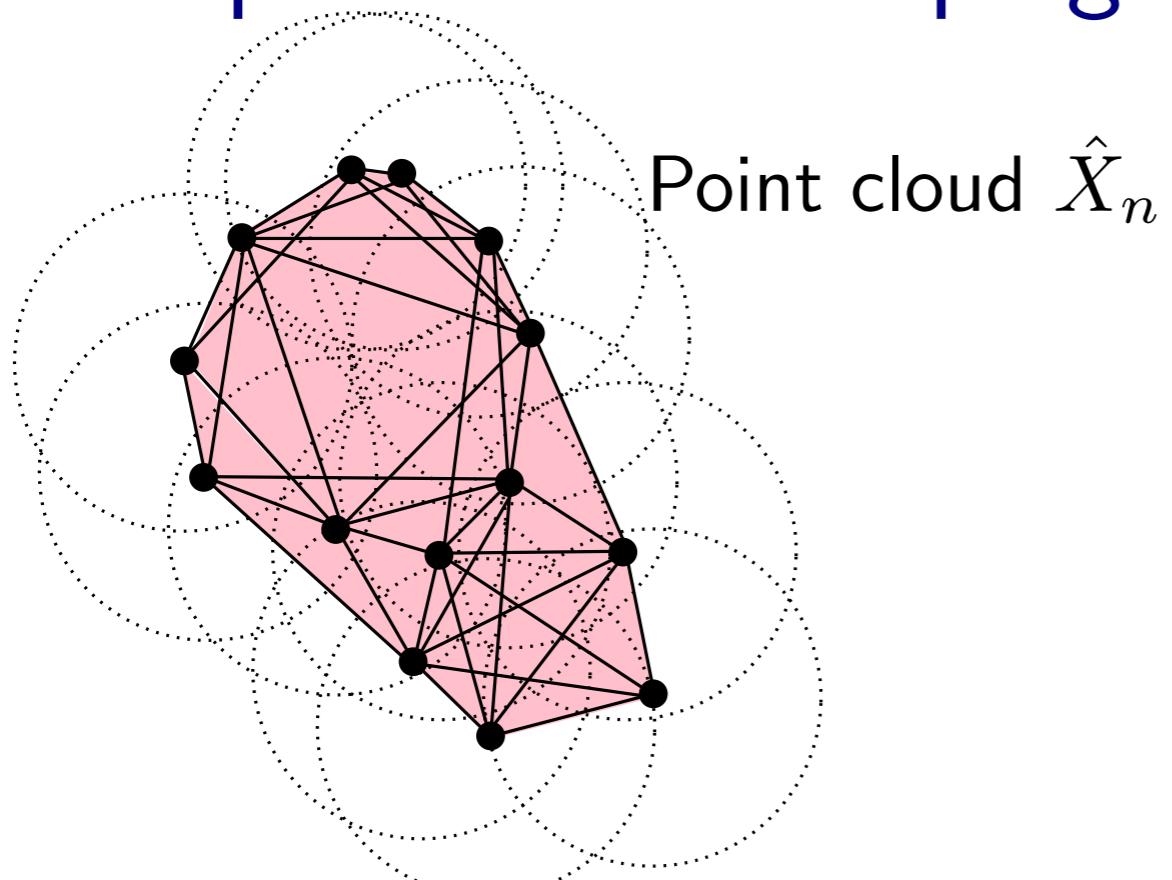
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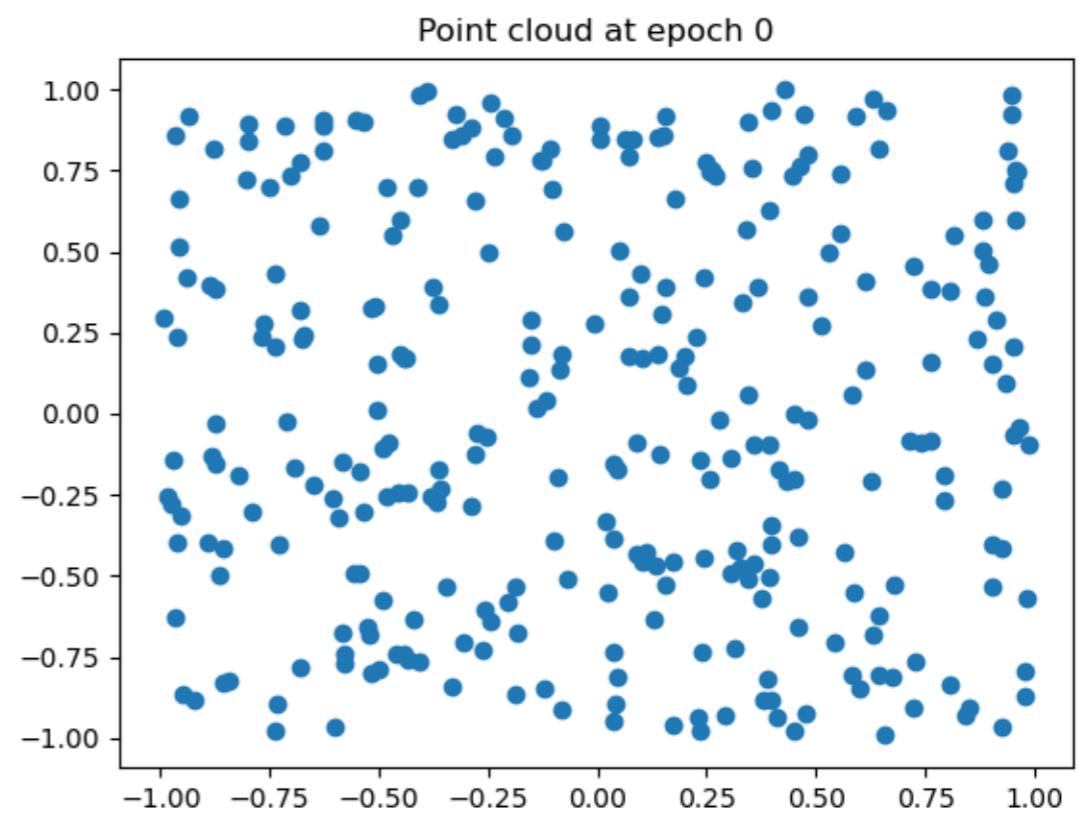
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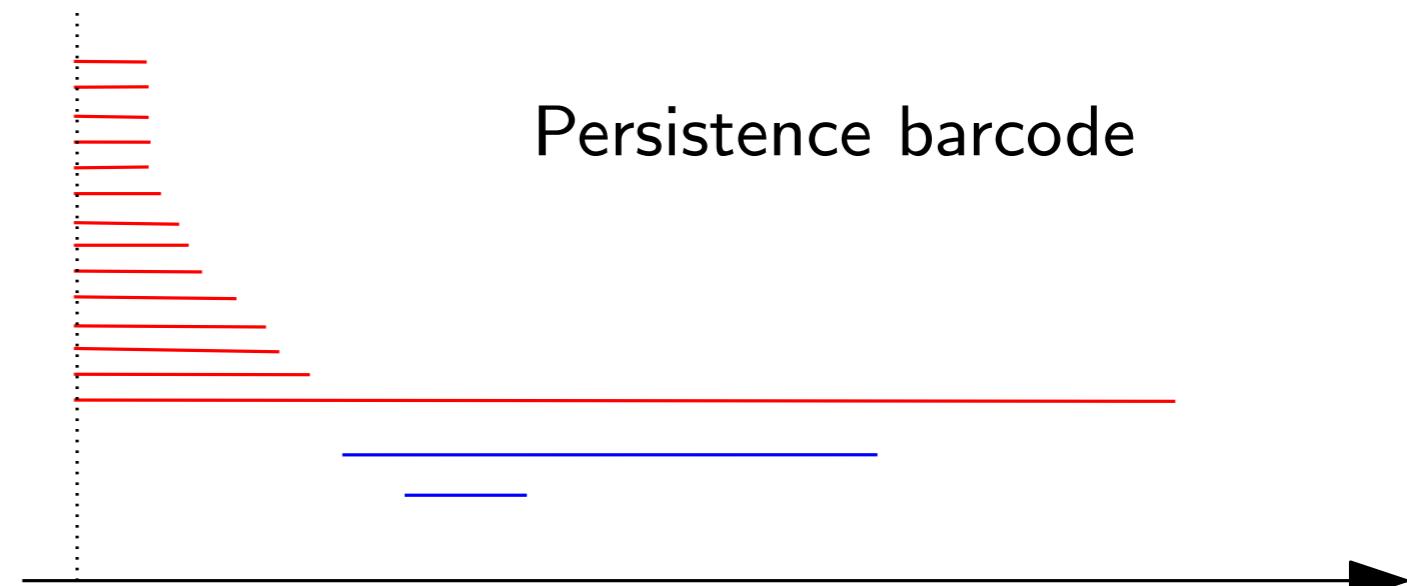
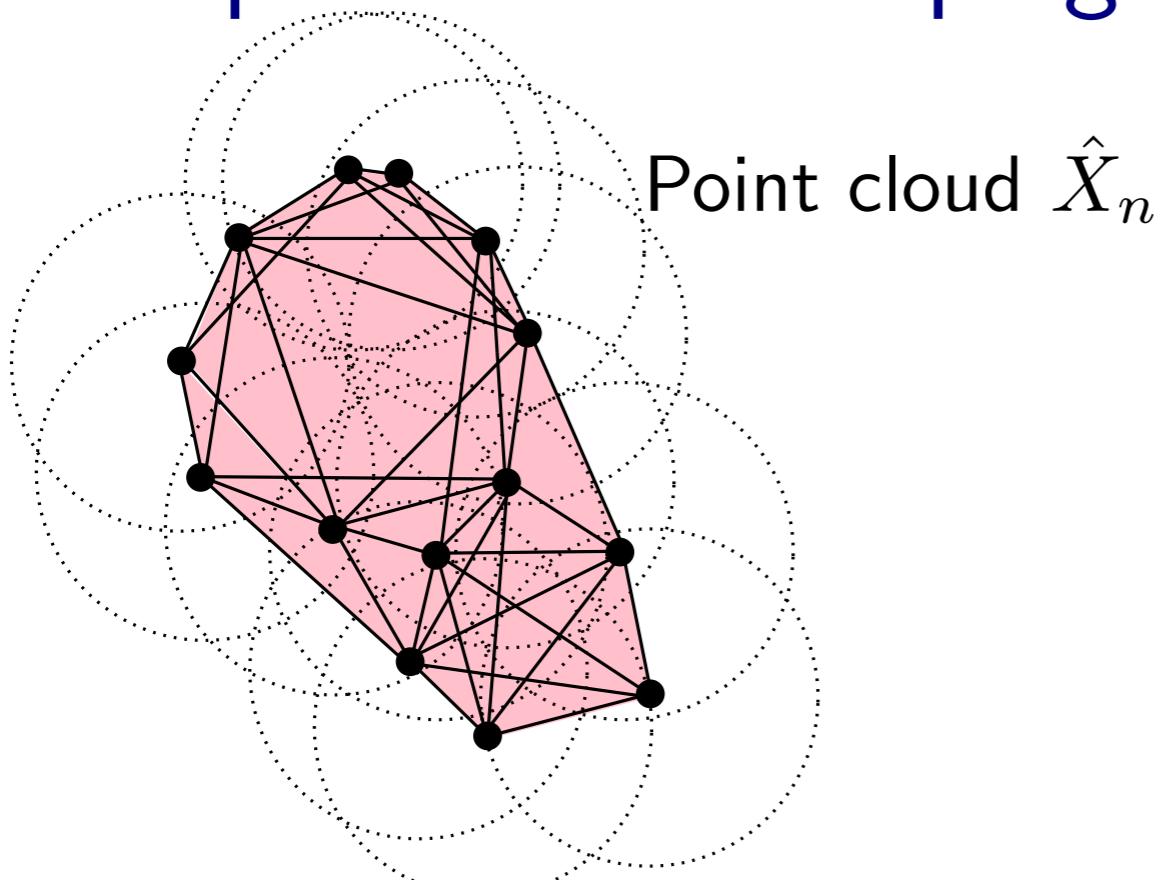
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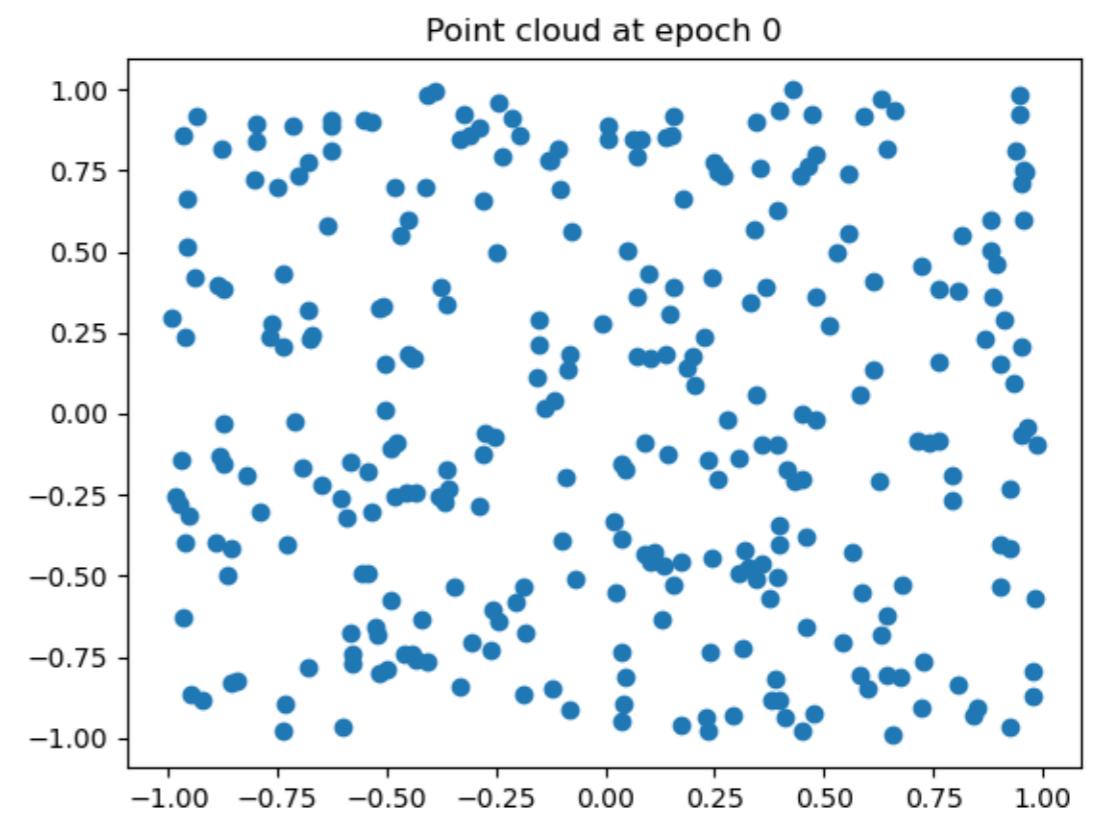


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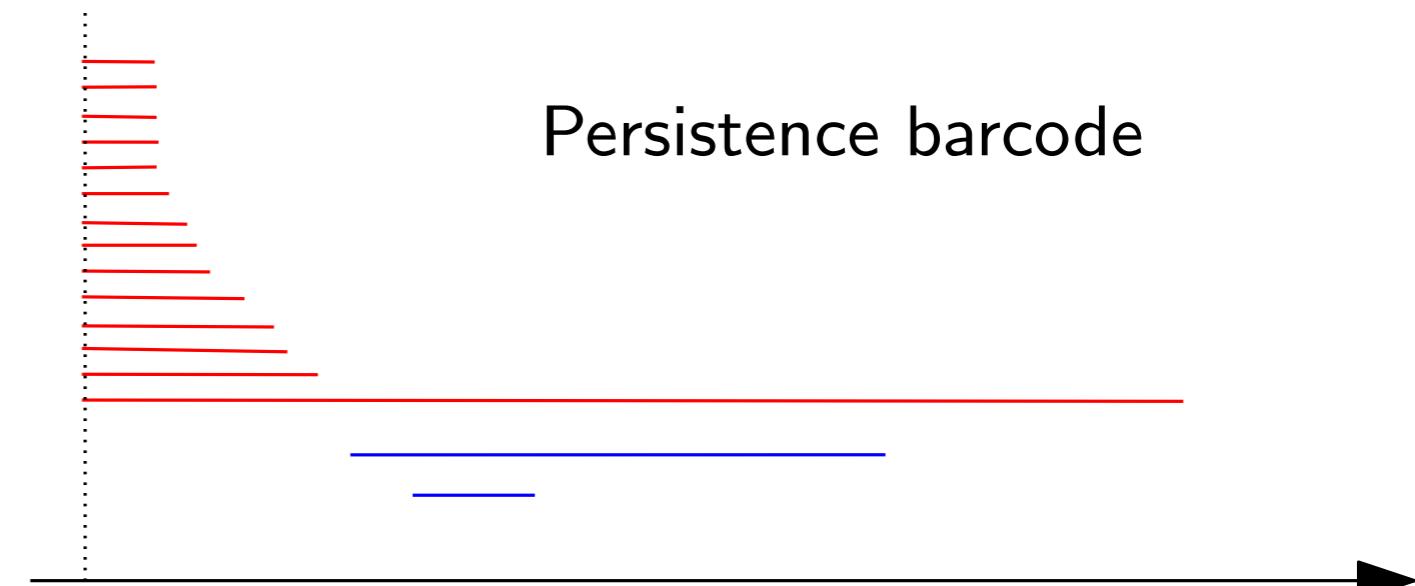
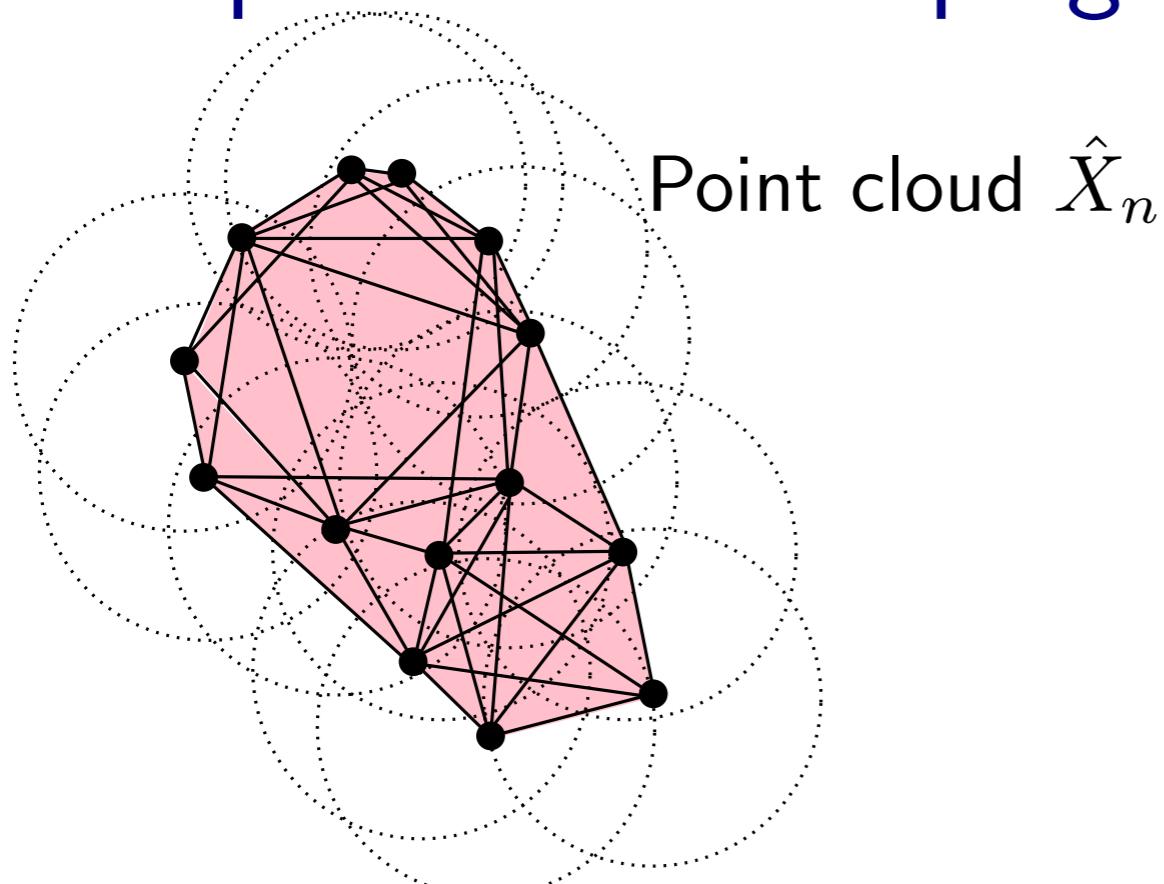
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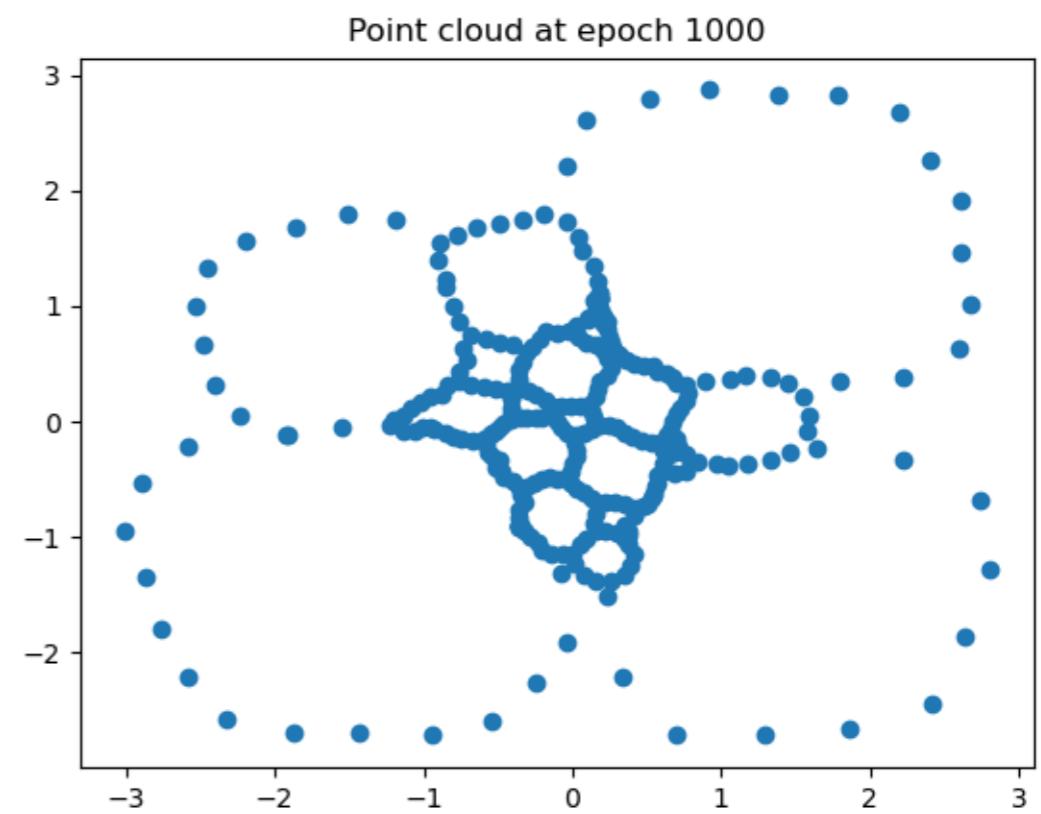


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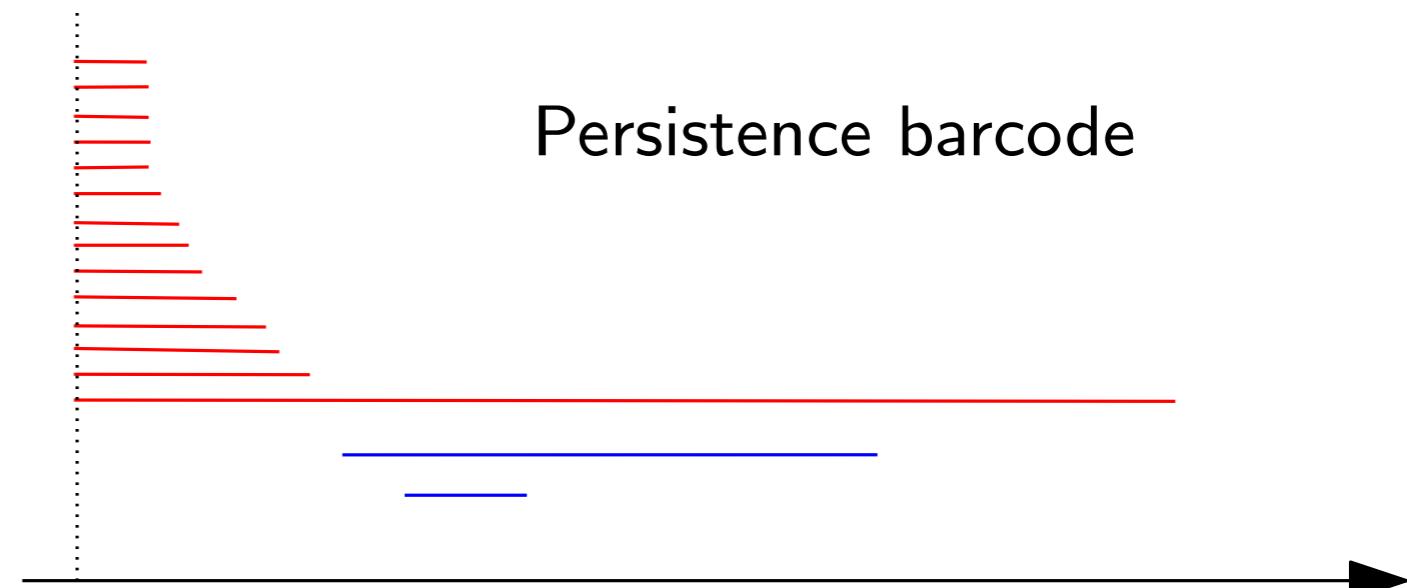
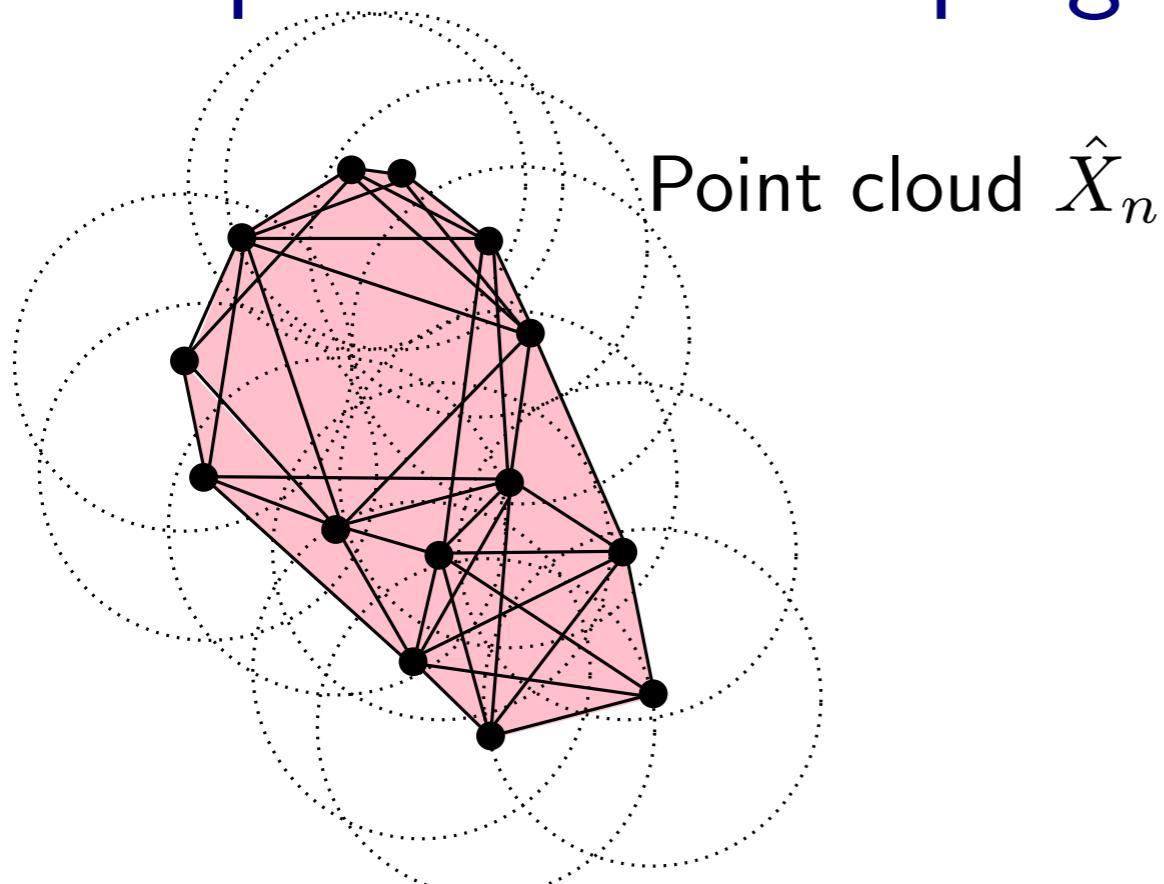
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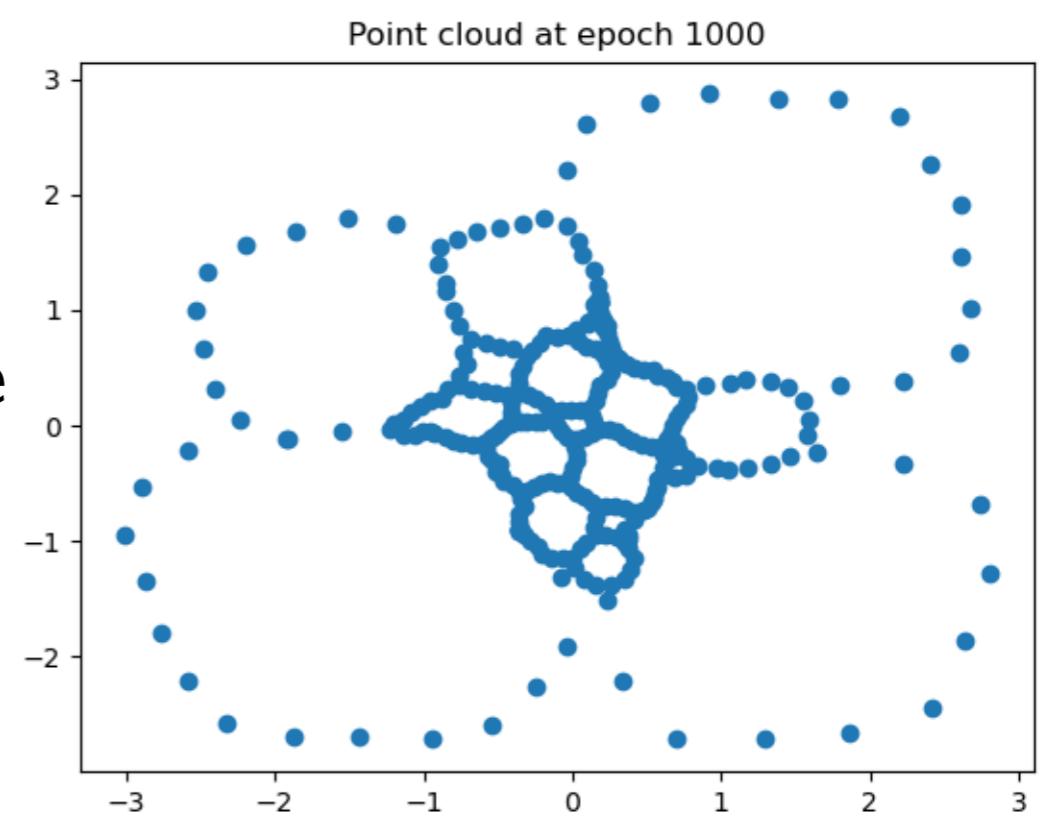


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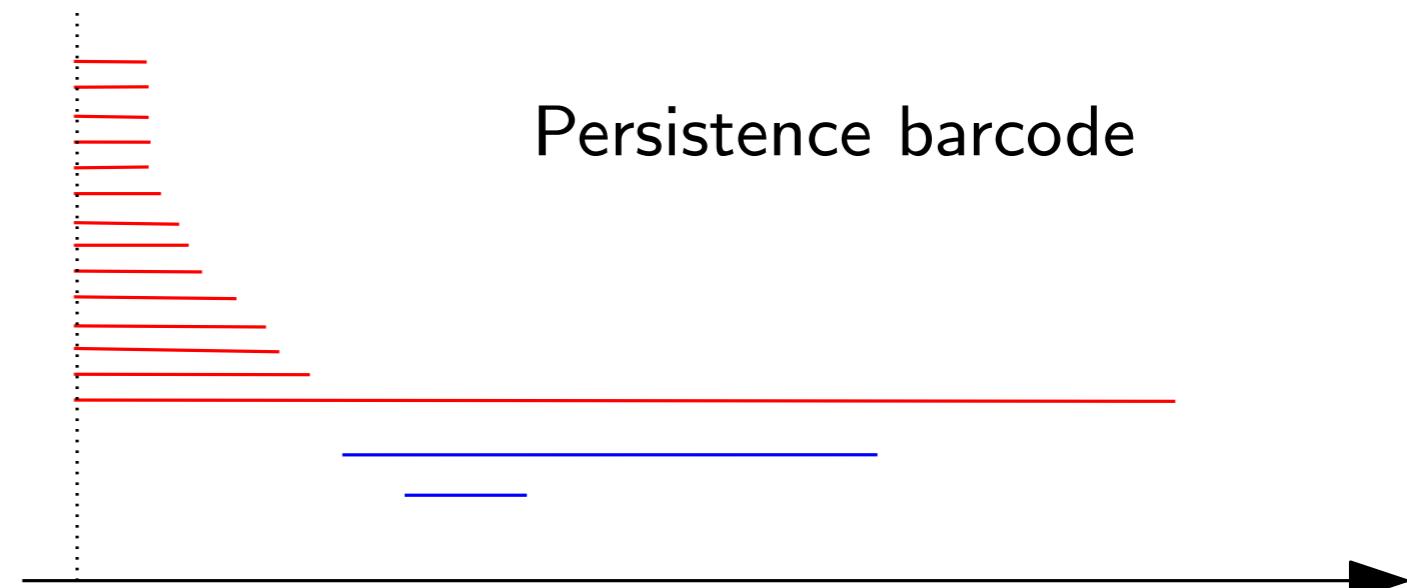
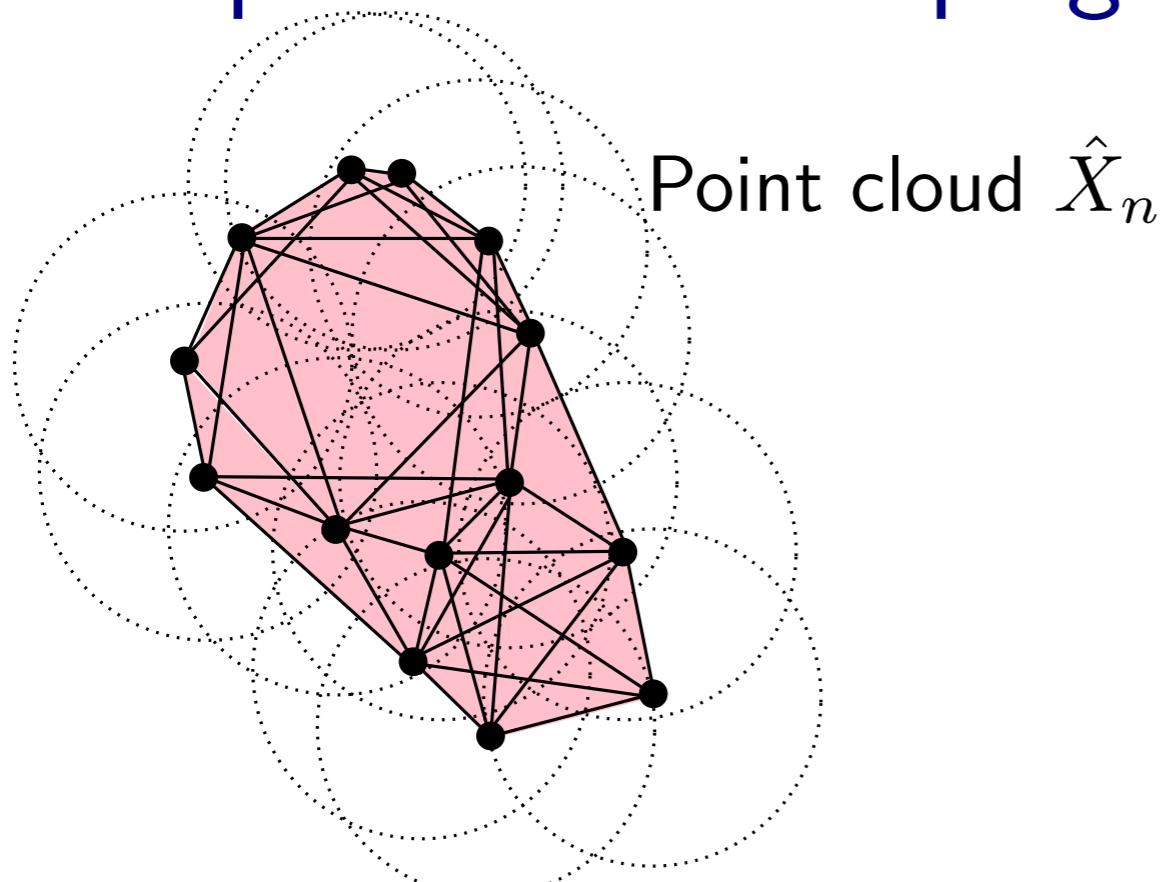
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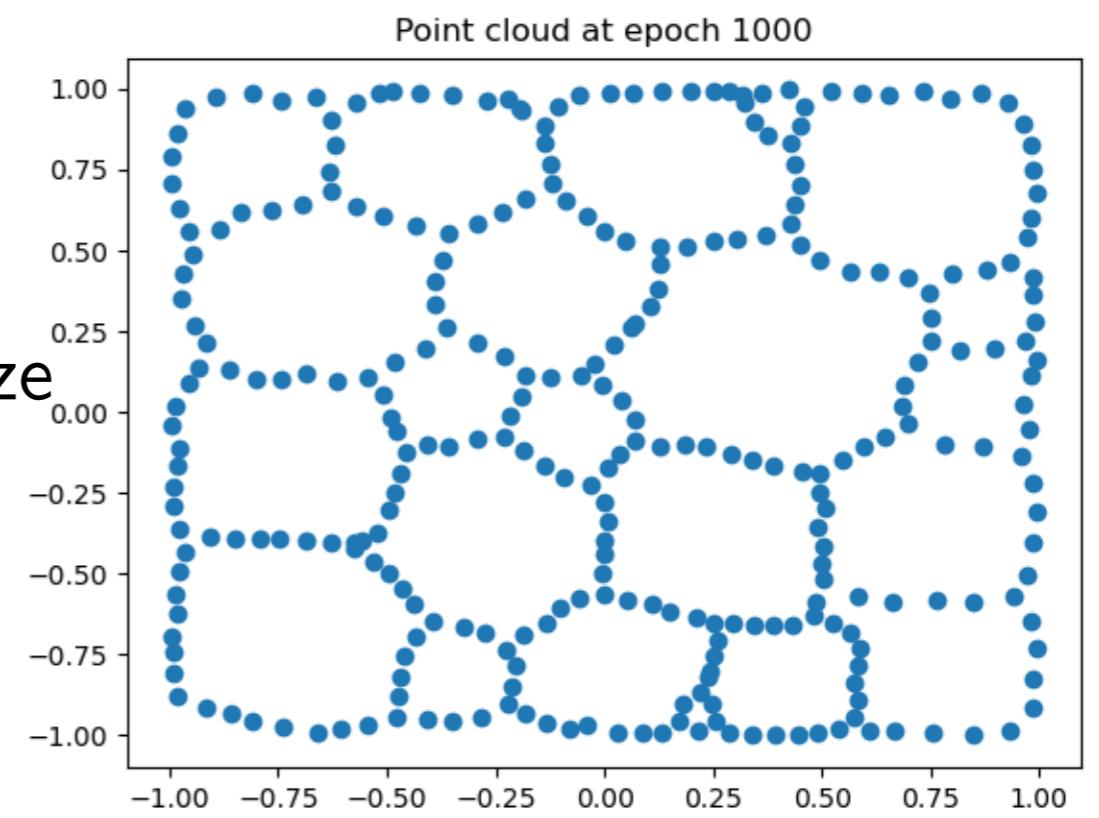


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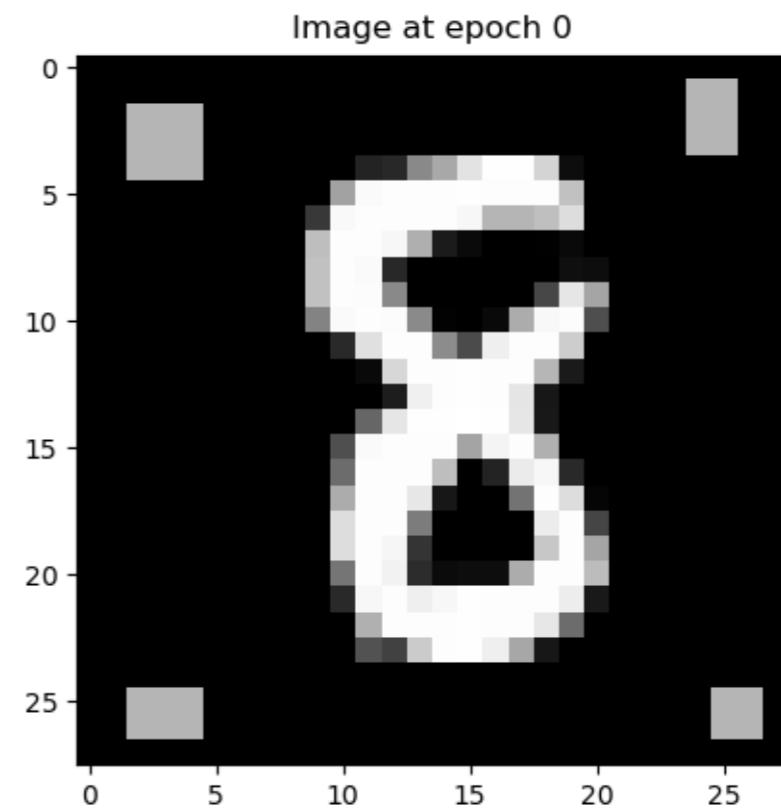
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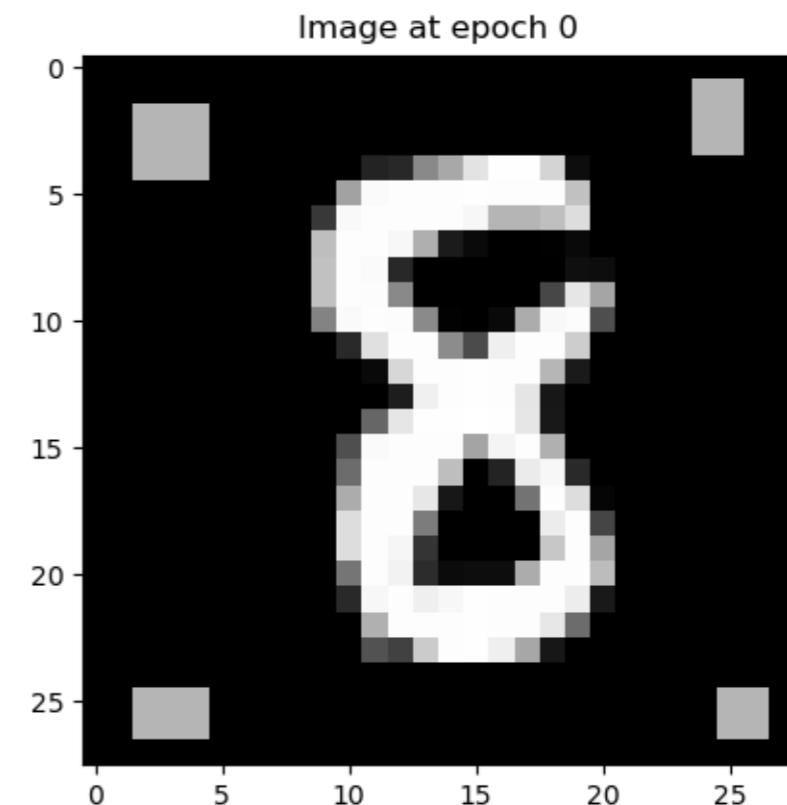
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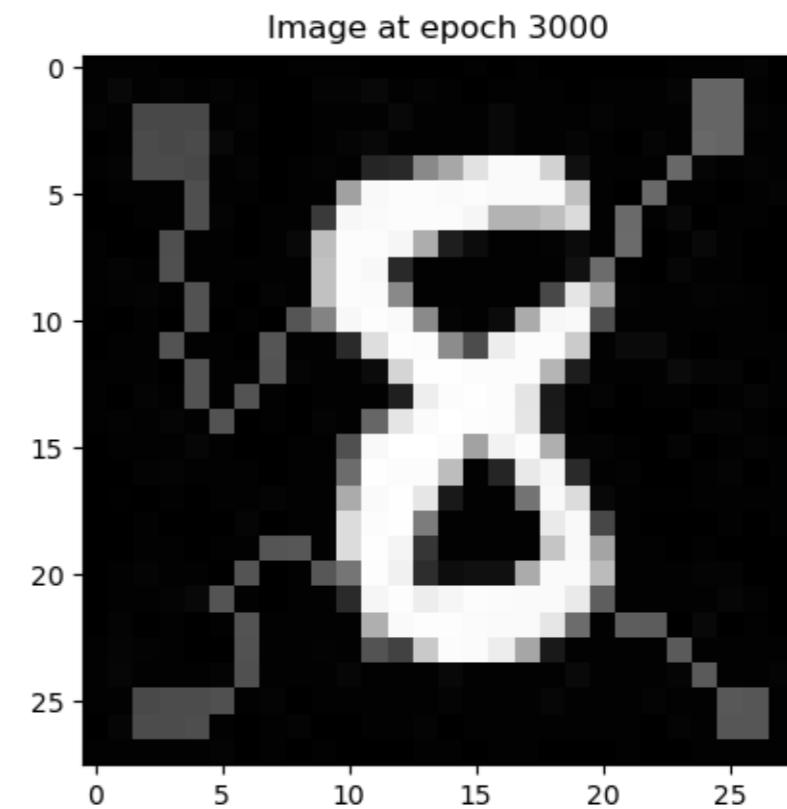
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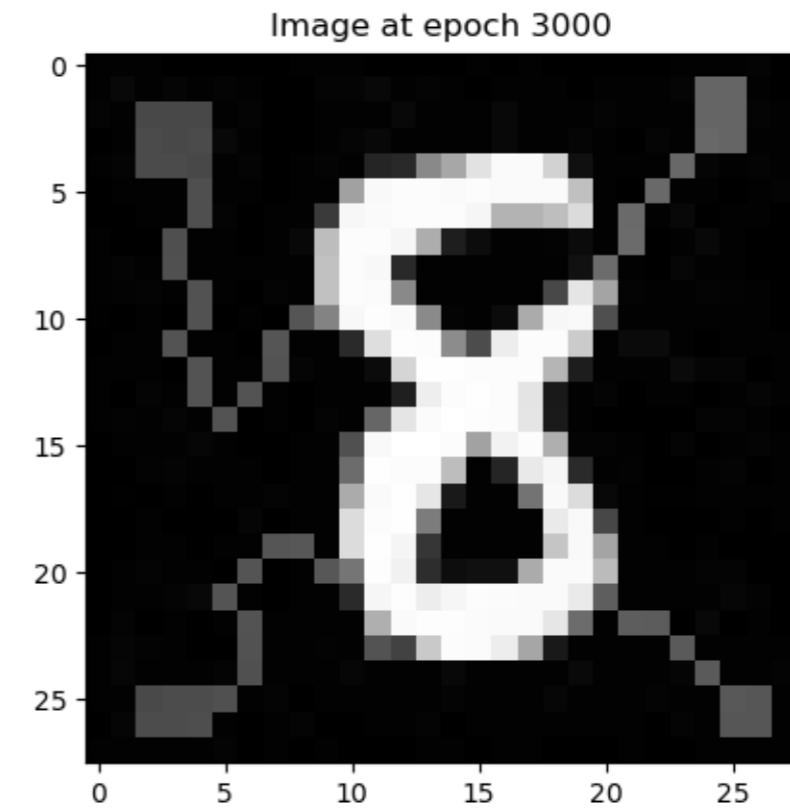
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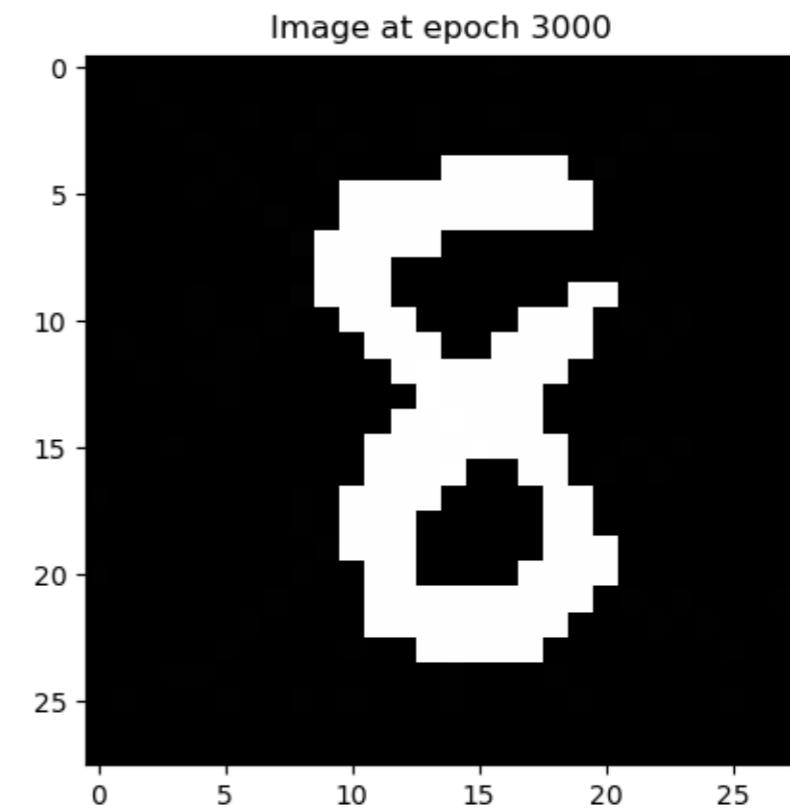
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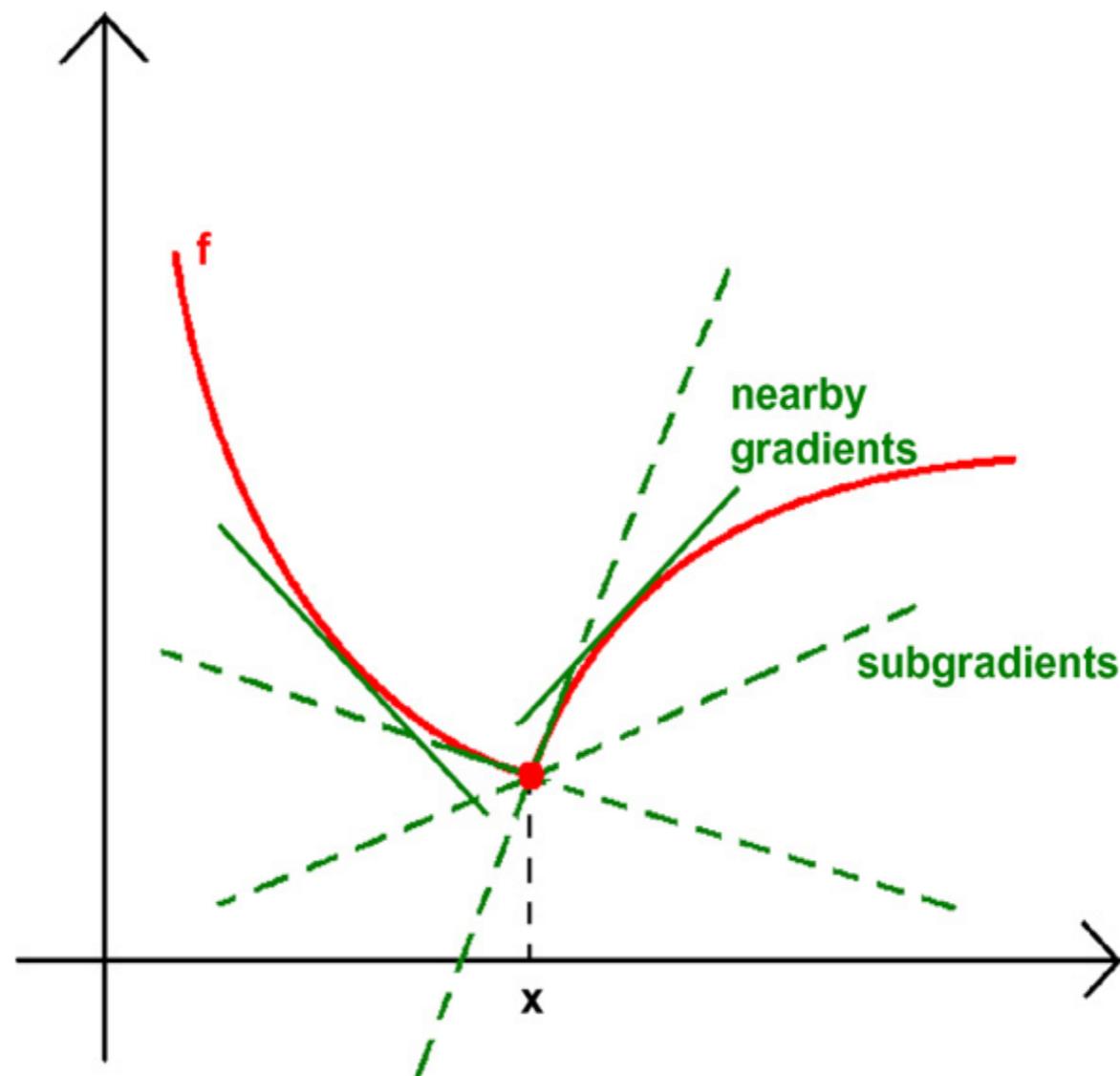
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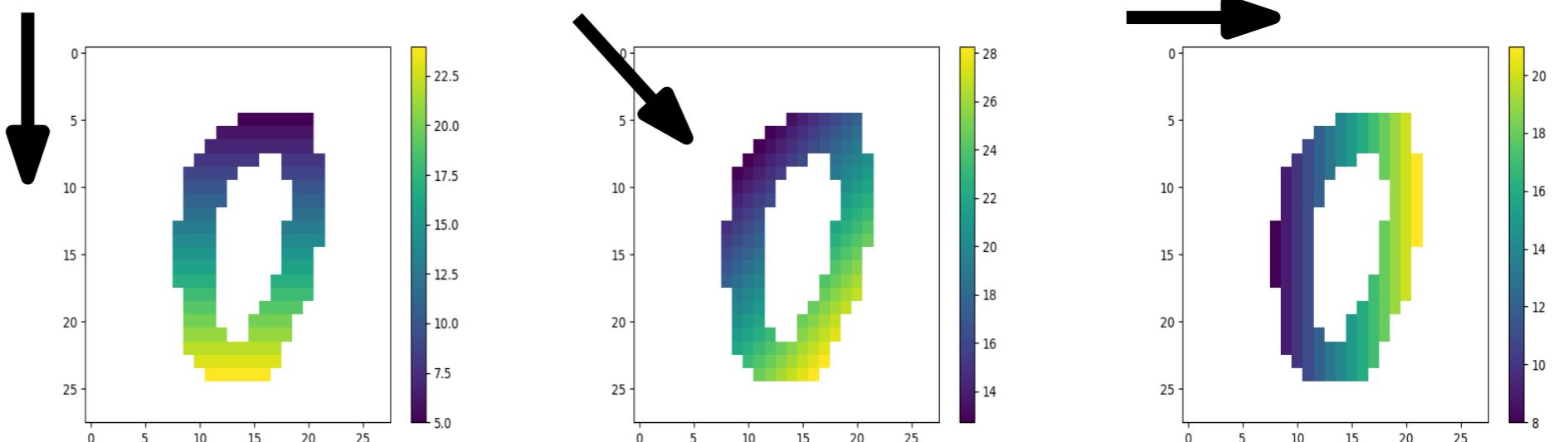
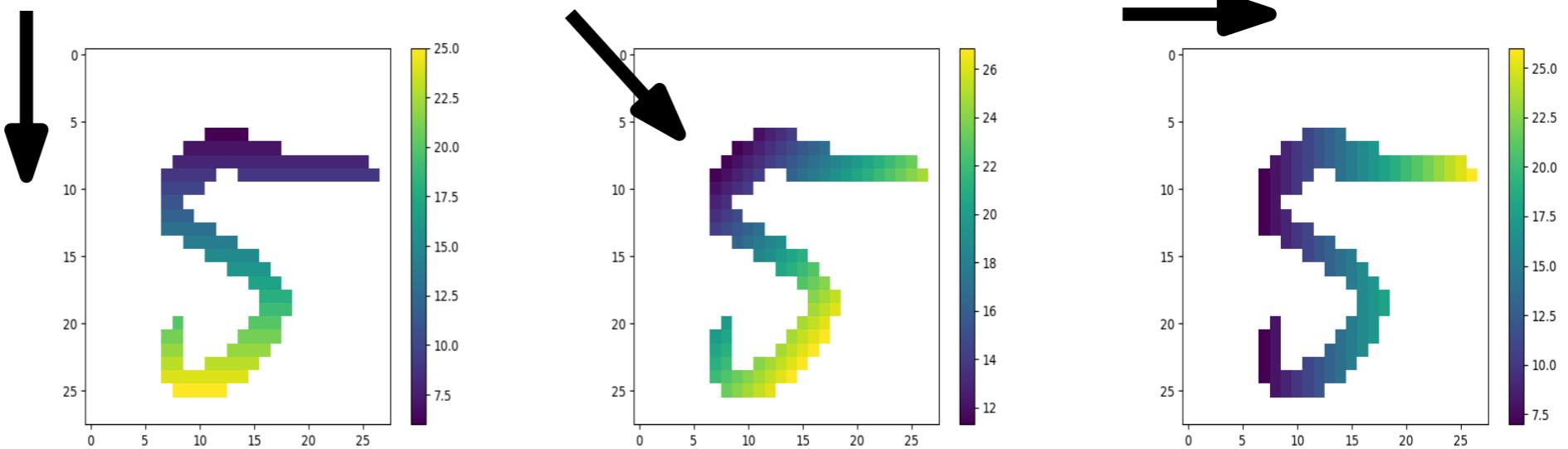
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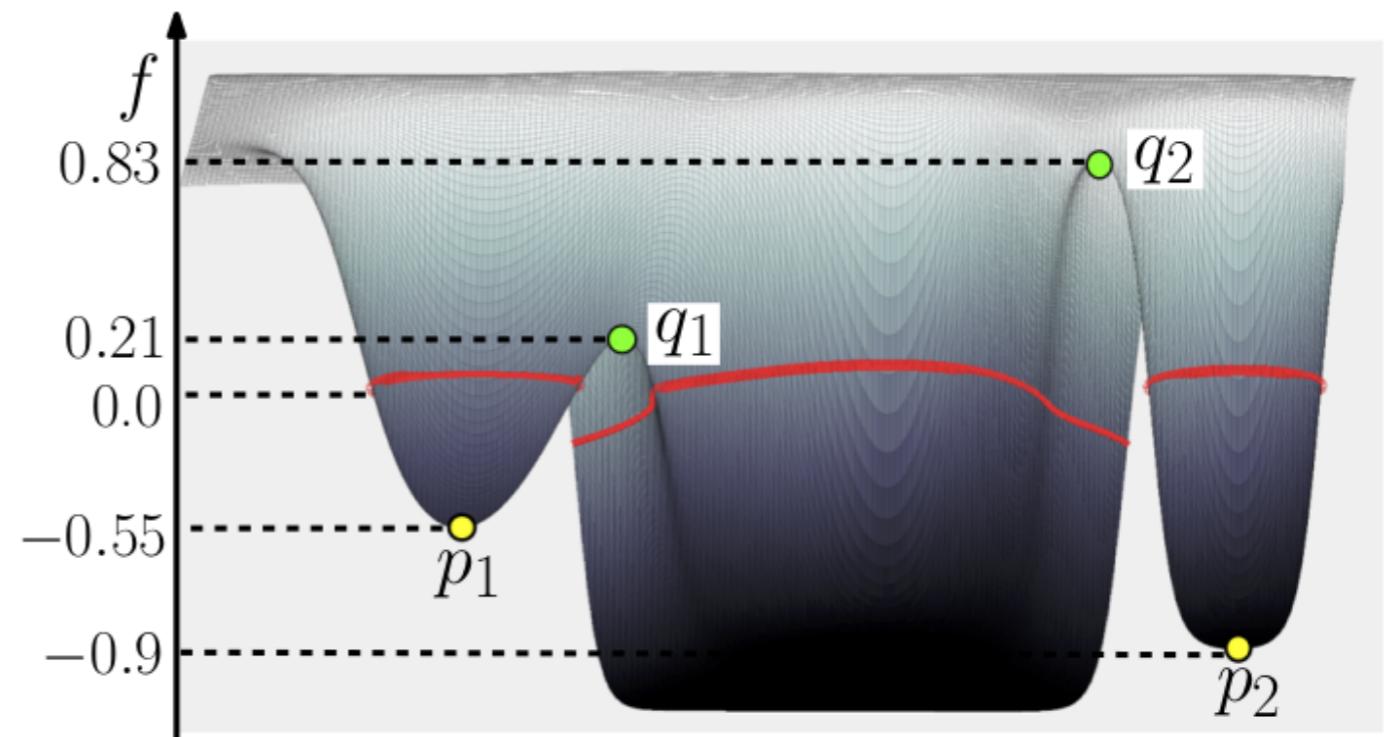
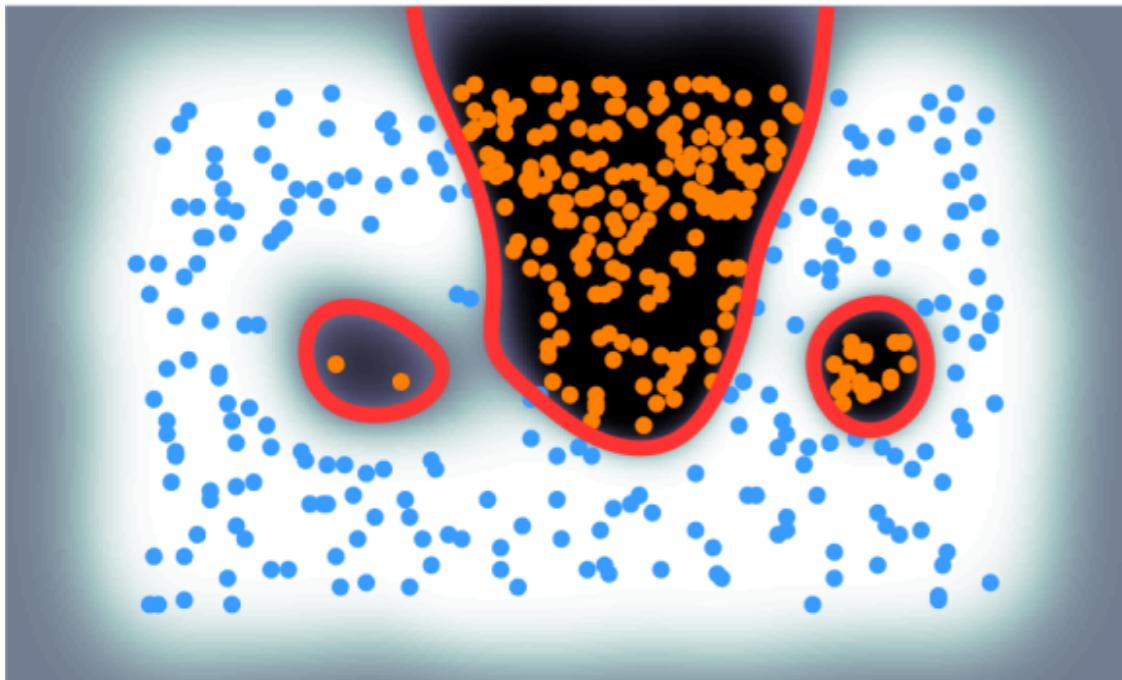
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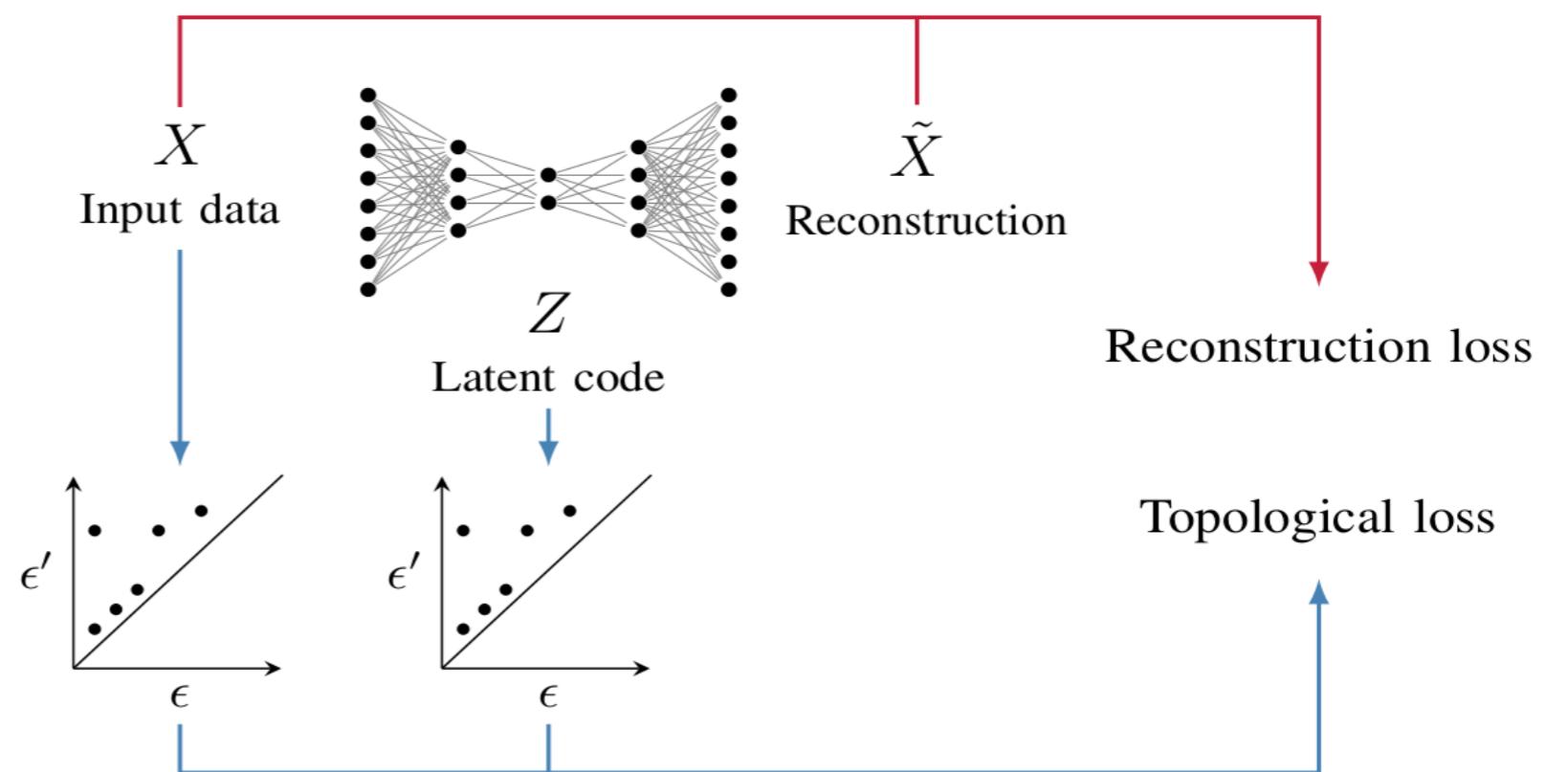
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More examples

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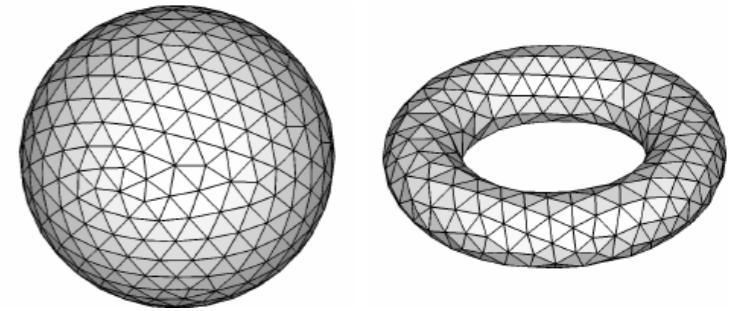


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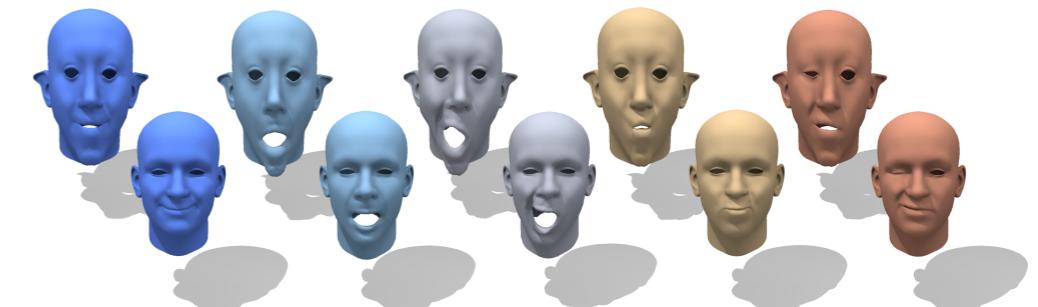
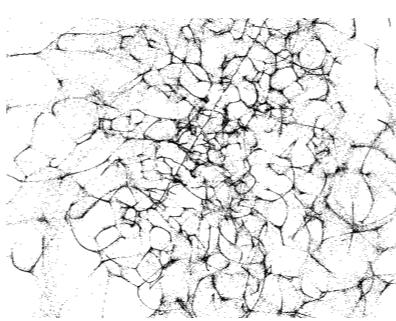
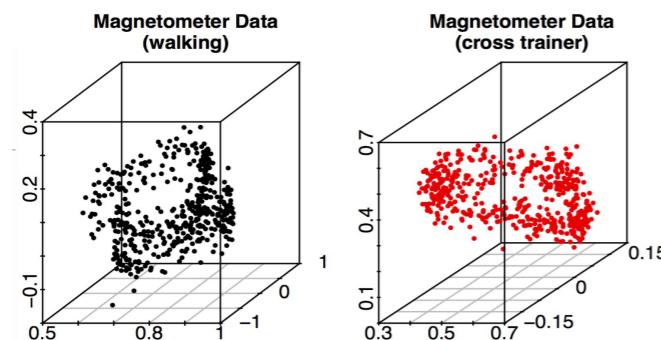
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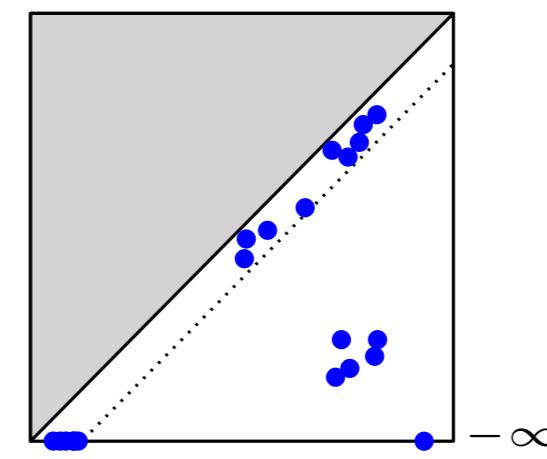
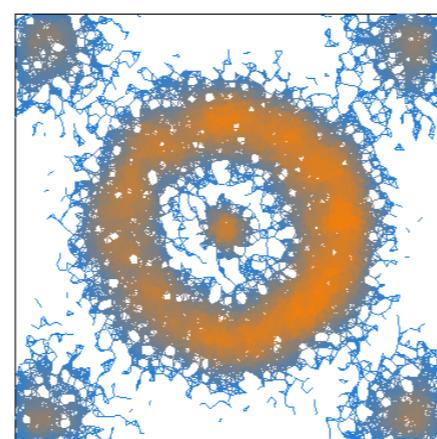
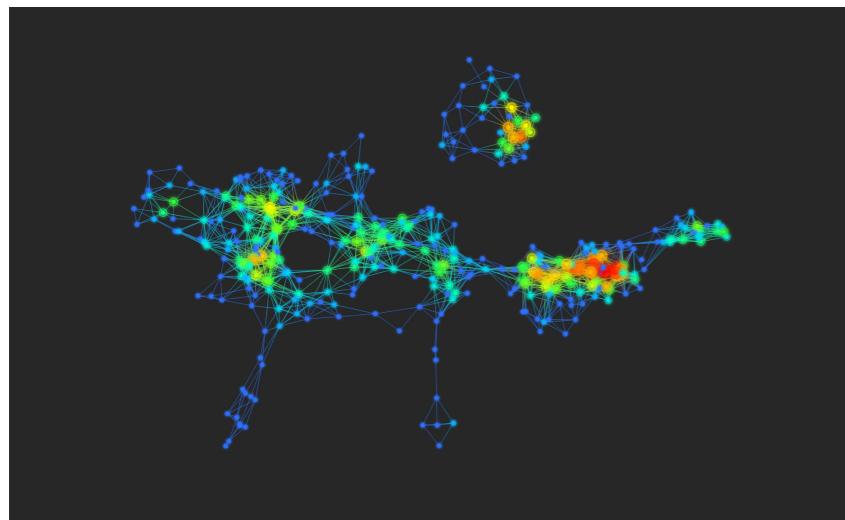
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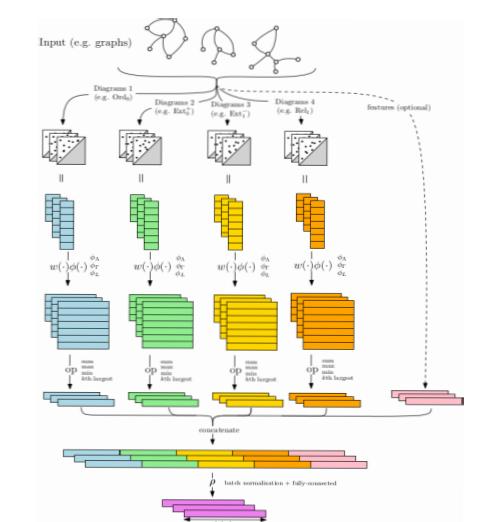


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