# Preparing for the TDA tutorial

### Tutorial introducing you to TDA

Next Monday, Yueqi and I will organize the tutorial on TDA that should last around 2h-2h30. It consists in two complementary resources, a beamer presentation introducing you to the main concepts and a Jupyter notebook in Python, featuring two important TDA packages gudhi and giotto-tda. The tutorial will be segmented into 4 sections in a progressive order.

#### Installation instructions

- Install Anaconda. It should take some time but once it's done it's much easier to install anything else.
- Launch the Anaconda terminal and there, use the following commands:
  - Install Jupyter Lab using conda install -c conda-forge jupyterlab (type y when prompted to accept the installation)
  - Install giotto-tda using python -m pip install -U giotto-tda
  - Install gudhi using conda install -c conda-forge gudhi (type y when prompted to accept the installation)
  - This will automatically install other packages as well, including numpy, matplotlib and scipy.

## Testing instructions

- Download the attached draft Jupyter notebook called Tutorial\_testing.ipynb and put in a dedicated folder (the final version will contain a few more cells).
- Launch the Anaconda terminal.
- There, type jupyter lab. Navigate to the dedicated folder through the web browser interface that opens automatically.
- You should be able to see a table of contents on the left pane and be able to navigate easily from section to section (see image below).
- In the Run panel, select Run All cells.
- Go the the very last cell of the notebook and check that it prints out the message 'Good! Every cell has been run correctly.' (see image below).
- We are not 100% sure that these instructions are enough to make the notebook work: thus, if you are not able to see the last message and have instead a missing package error, please install it using conda by looking for the package on conda-forge.

## Office hour to help you

If you are desperate and nothing you tried solved the problem, we are available during an office hour on Friday 07/01/2022 afternoon 1PM London = 2PM Munich = 3PM Helsinki via Zoom :

https://crick.zoom.us/j/69986370114?pwd=UjFVZkhiN2RZN0ZuQWIxTzEvNEFXZz09

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If this office hour is not suitable for everyone, please write to us at y.cao21@imperial.ac.uk and a.song19@imperial.ac.uk.

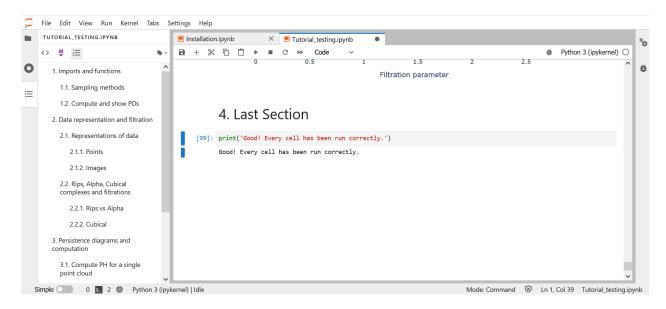


Figure 1: Success