

Exploring biological shape analysis through topology, geometry and statistics

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Imaging research and pipeline

Research loop

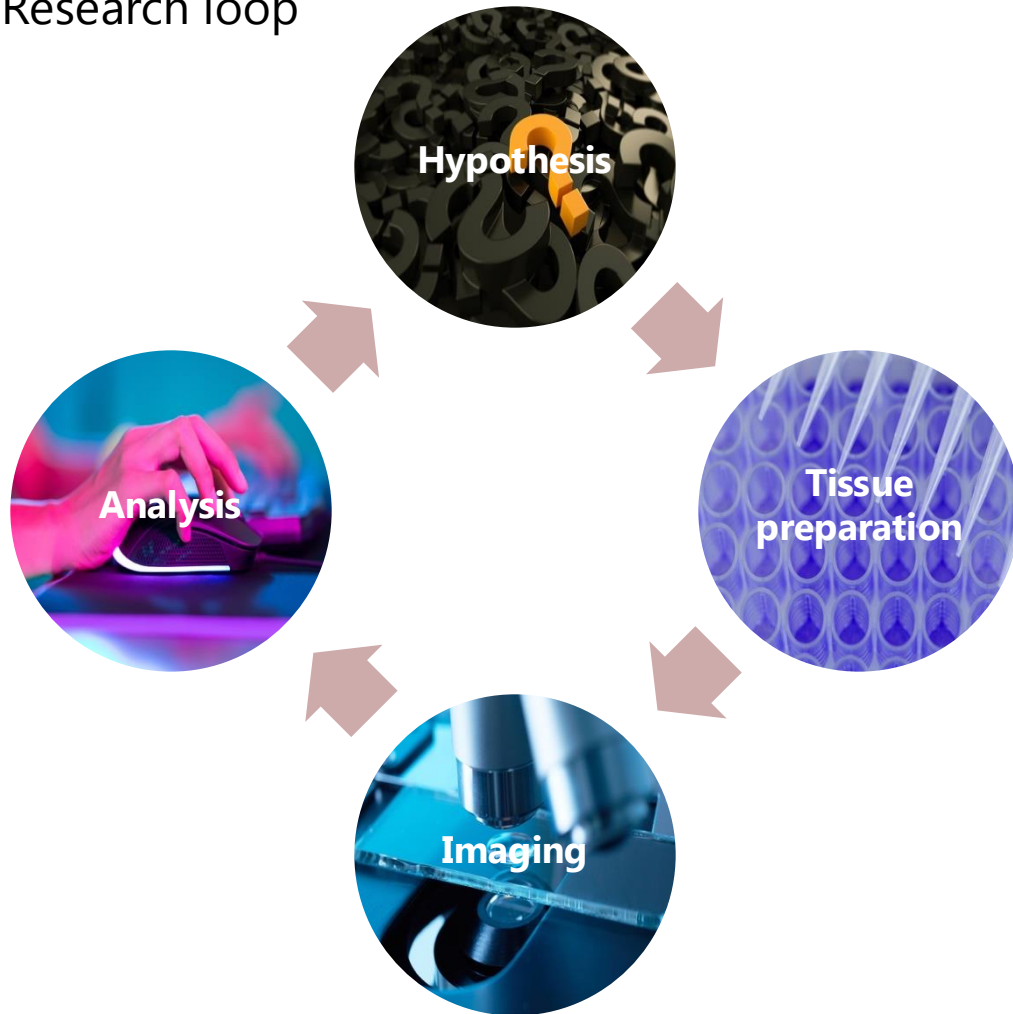
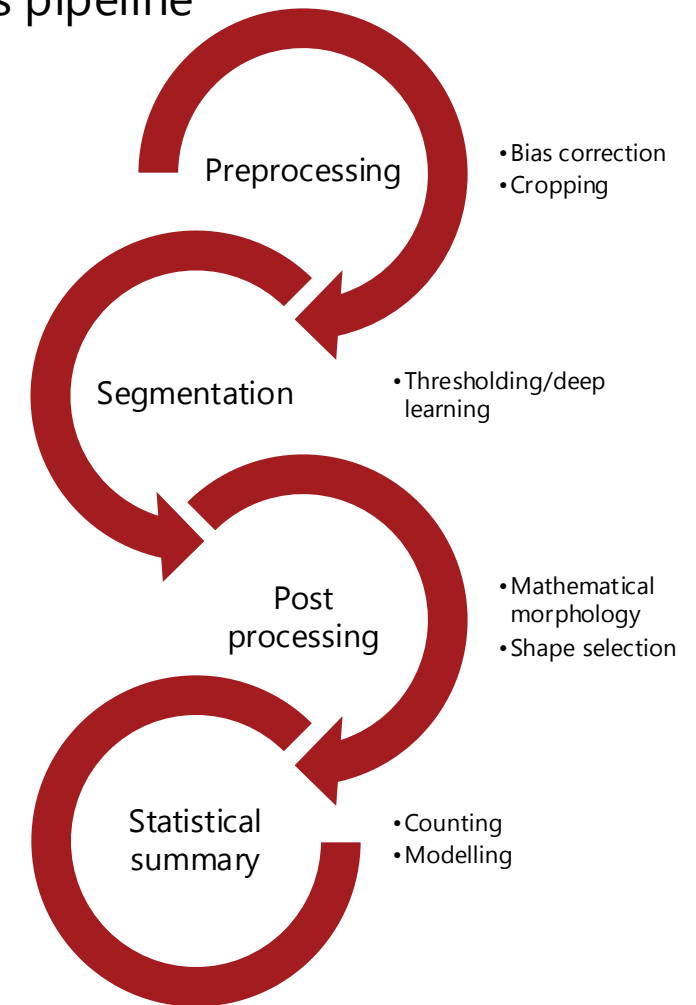


Image analysis pipeline



AI is pretty good at segmenting stuff, what's next?

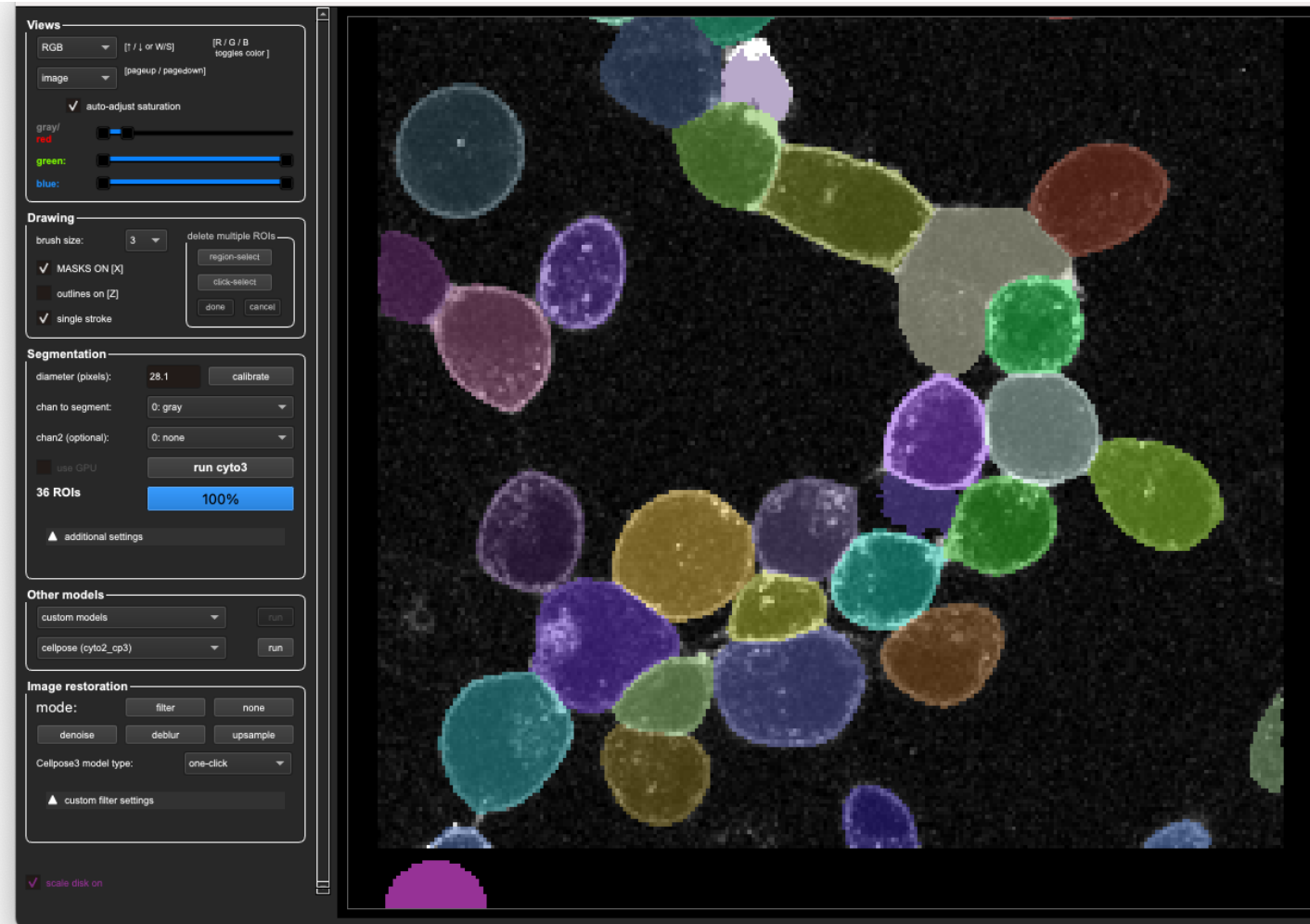


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What to do next: Shape analysis

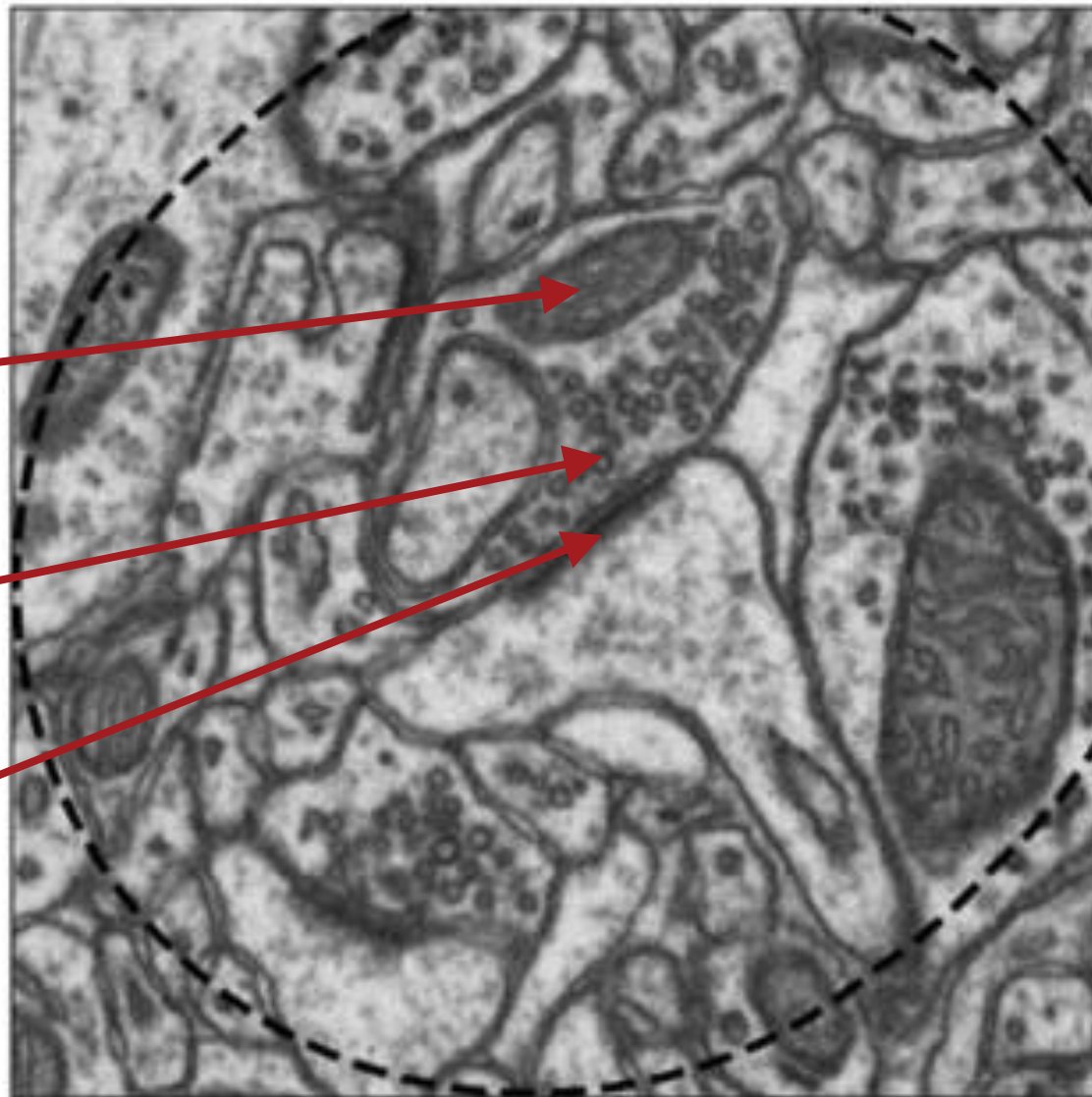
Focused ion-beam
scanning electron
microscopy (FIB-SEM)

Voxel size: $(5 \text{ nm})^3$

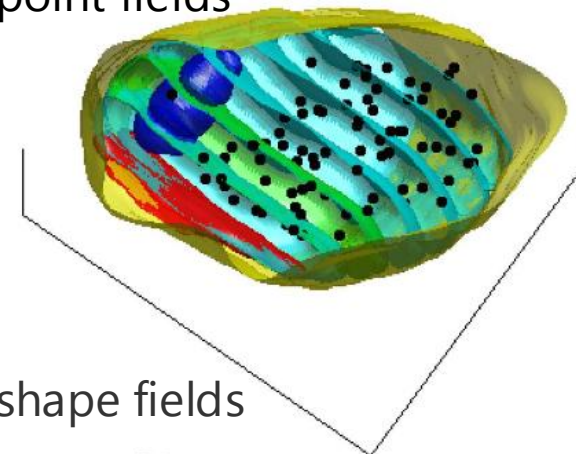
Mitochondria

Vessicles

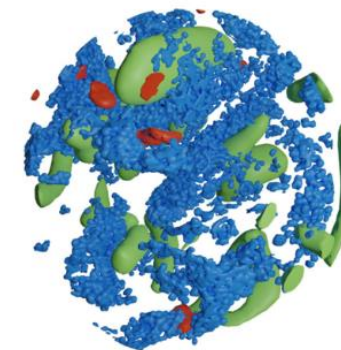
Active zone



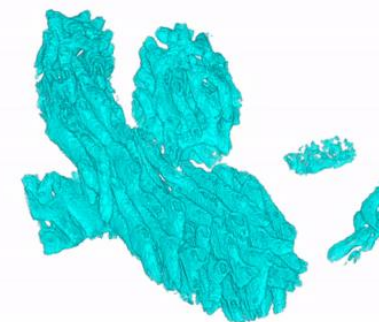
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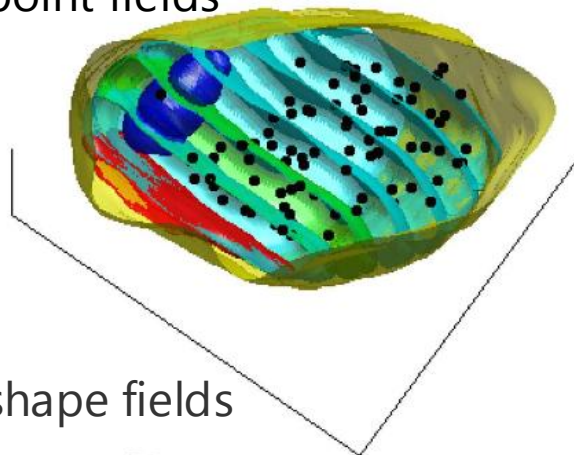
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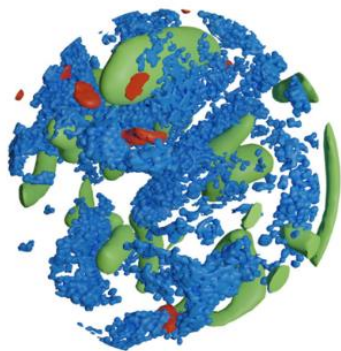
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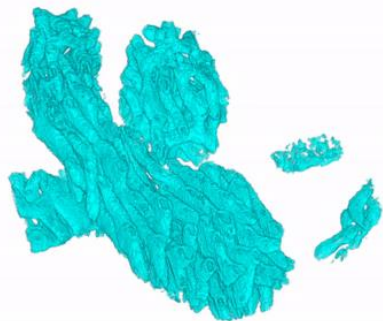
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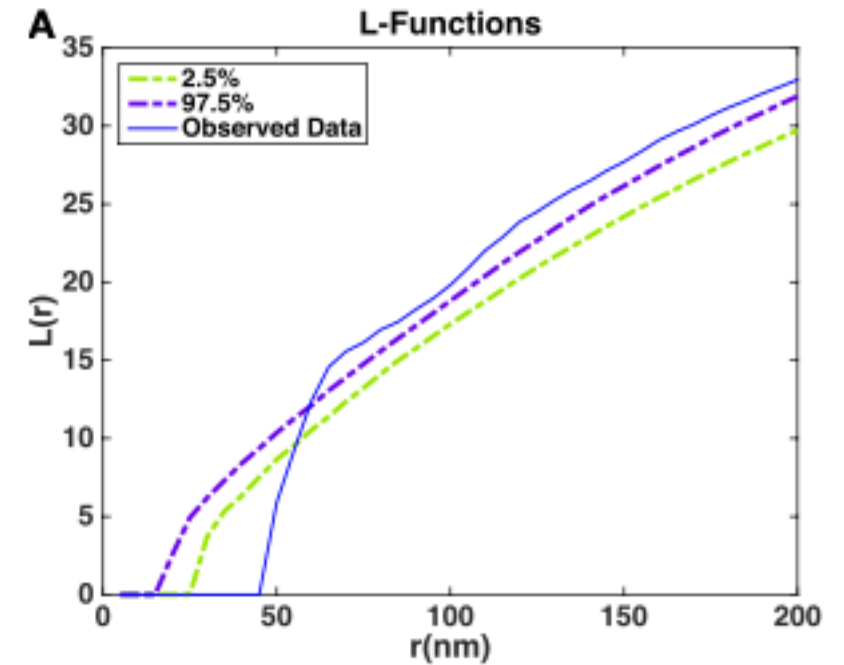
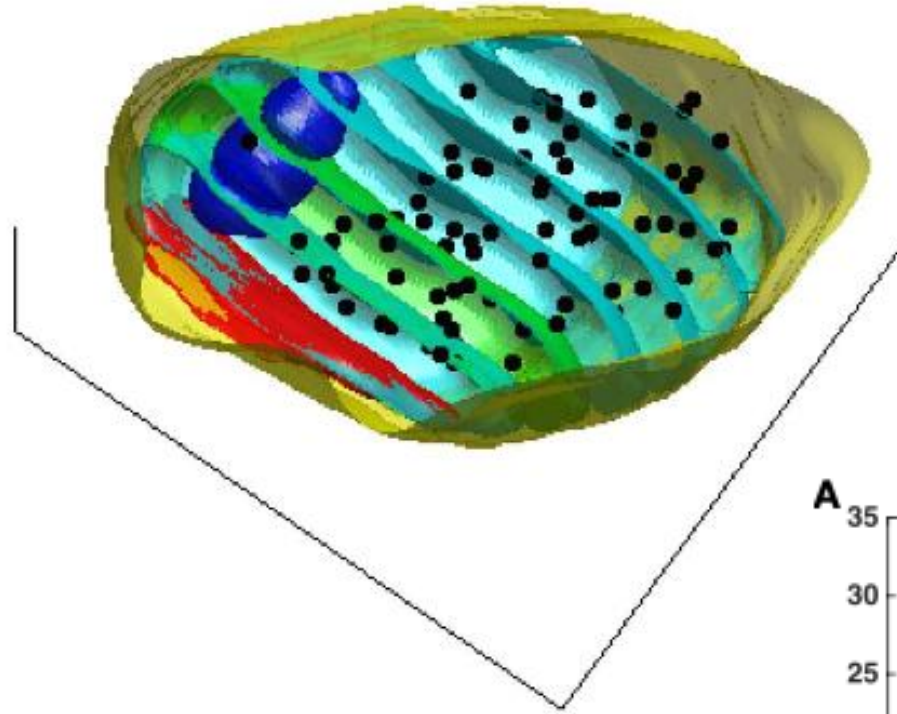
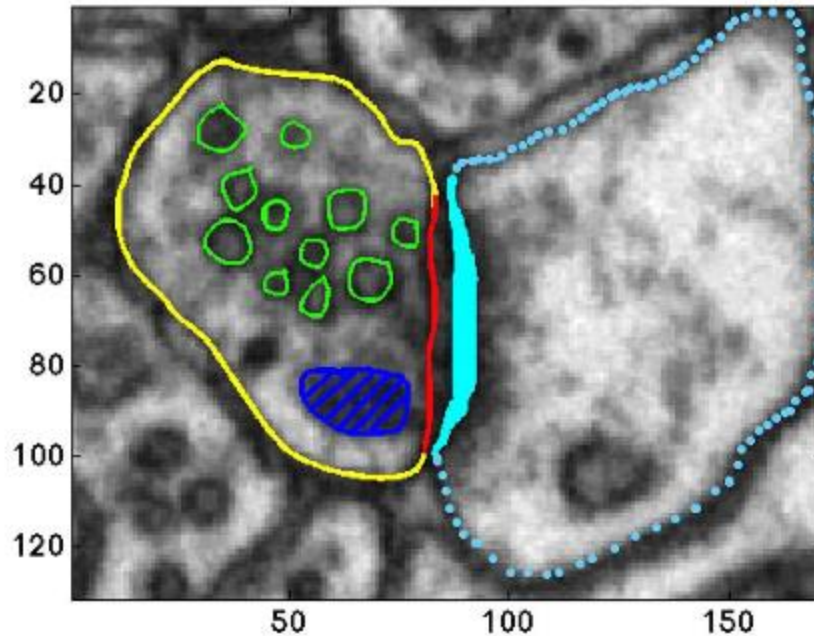
Literature

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Point models



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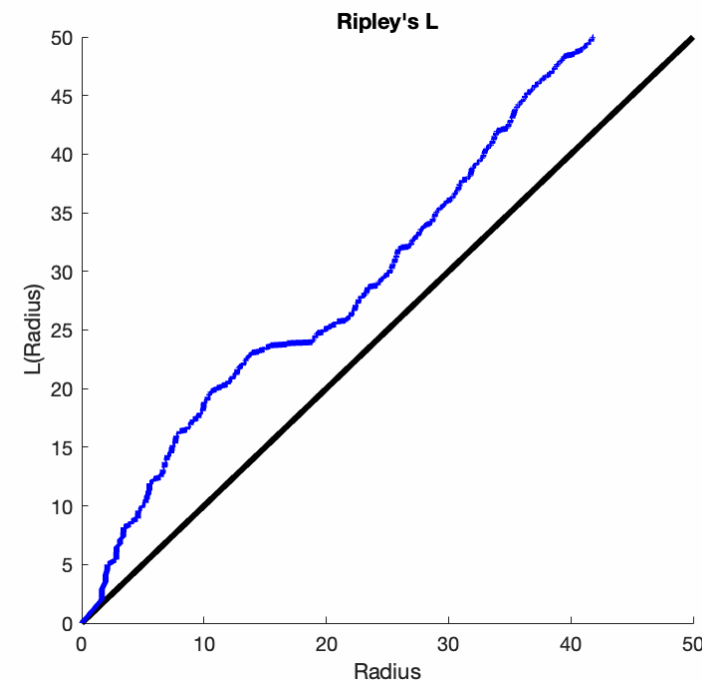
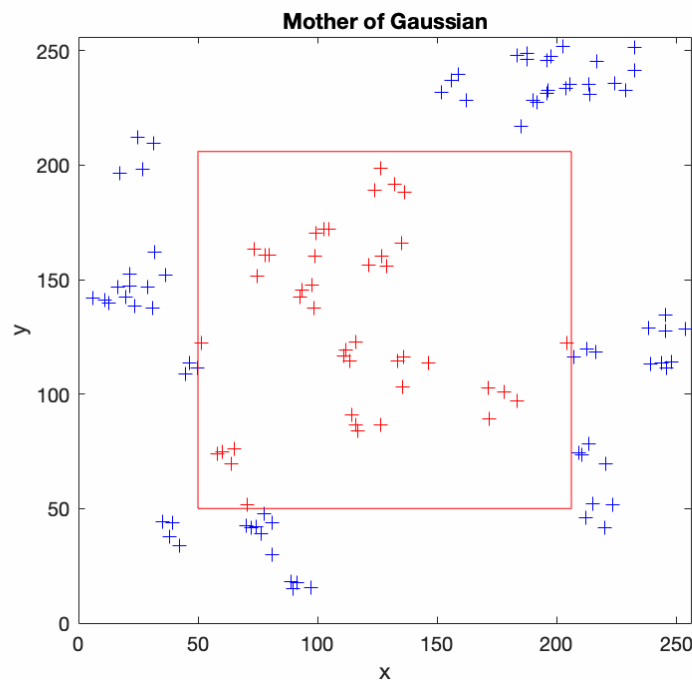
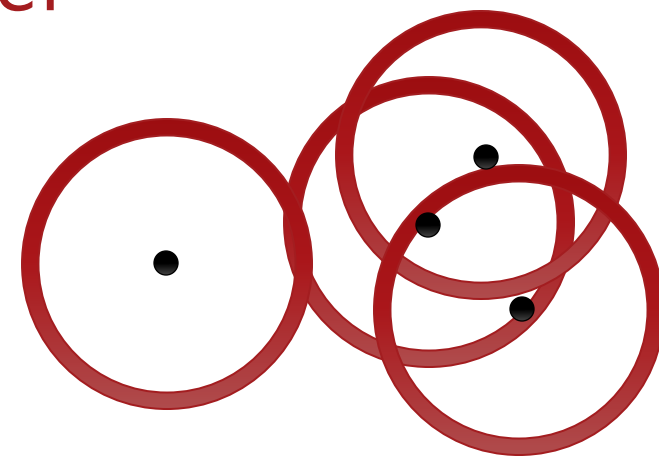


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Ripley's K- and L-functions: expected number of neighboring points by radius

$$K(r) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbb{E}[I(d_{ij} < r)]$$

$$L = \sqrt{\frac{K}{\pi}}$$

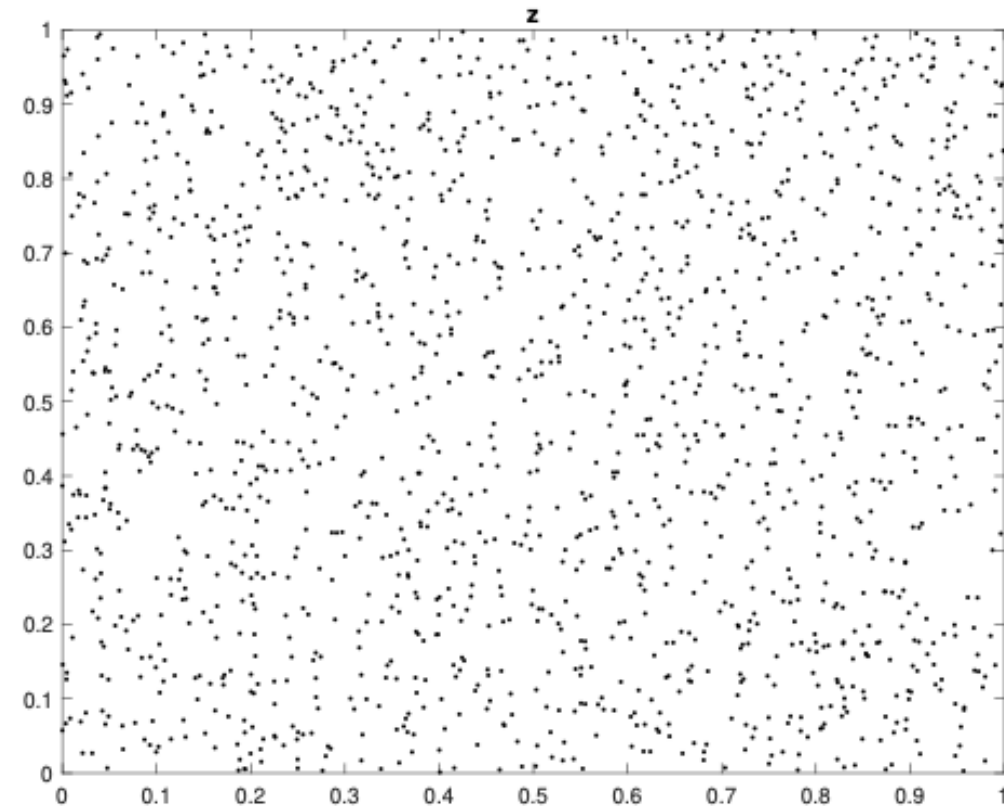
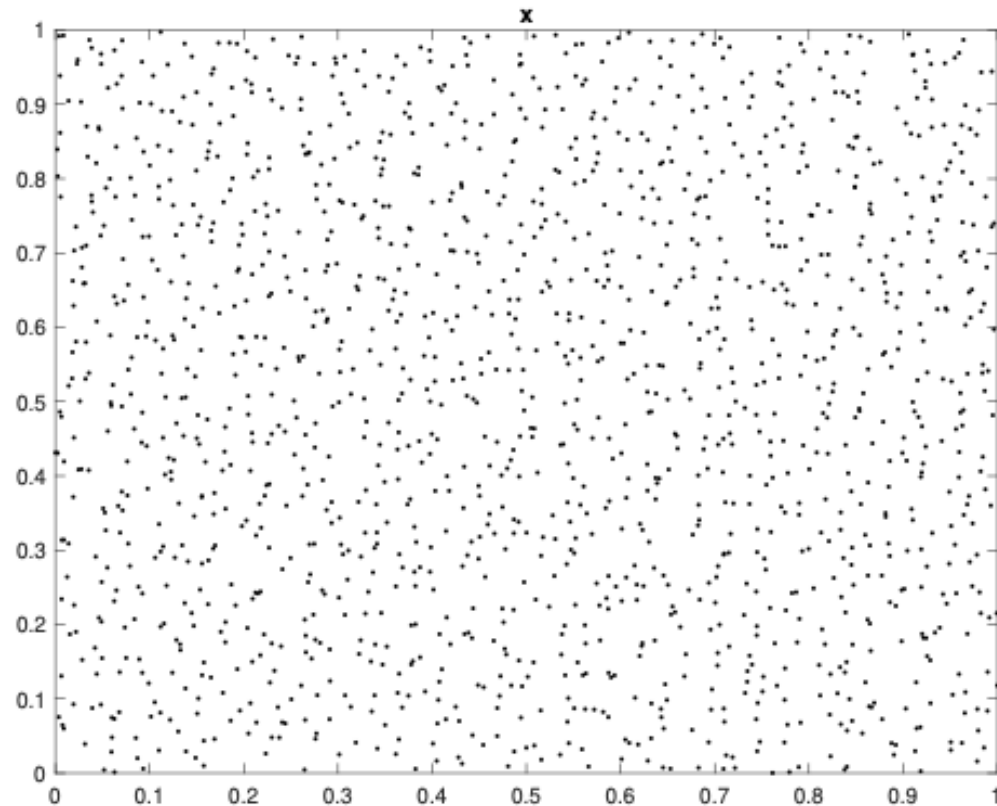


R and rpy2 demo: [https://sporrington.github.io/bia2024/ demoRpy2.py](https://sporrington.github.io/bia2024/demoRpy2.py)

<https://cran.r-project.org/>

<https://spatstat.org/>

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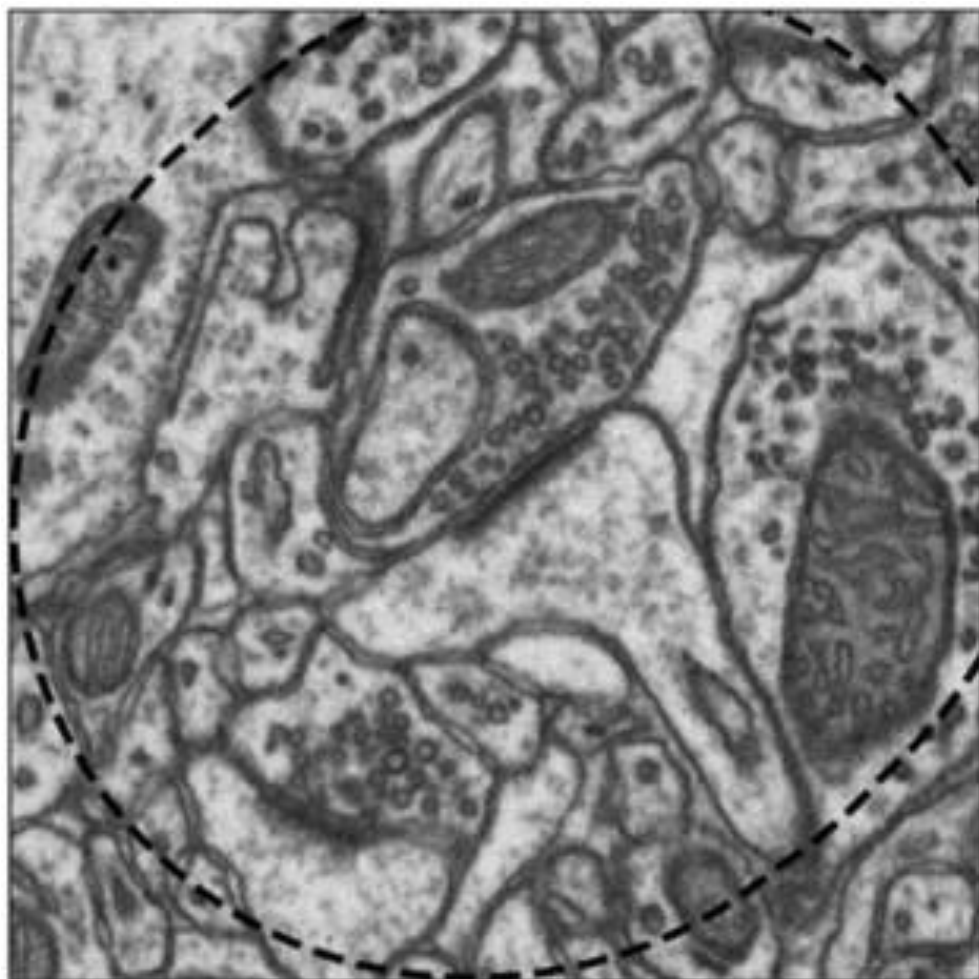


Exercise: Use GET's `global_envelope_test` to test whether x and/or z are likely to be random

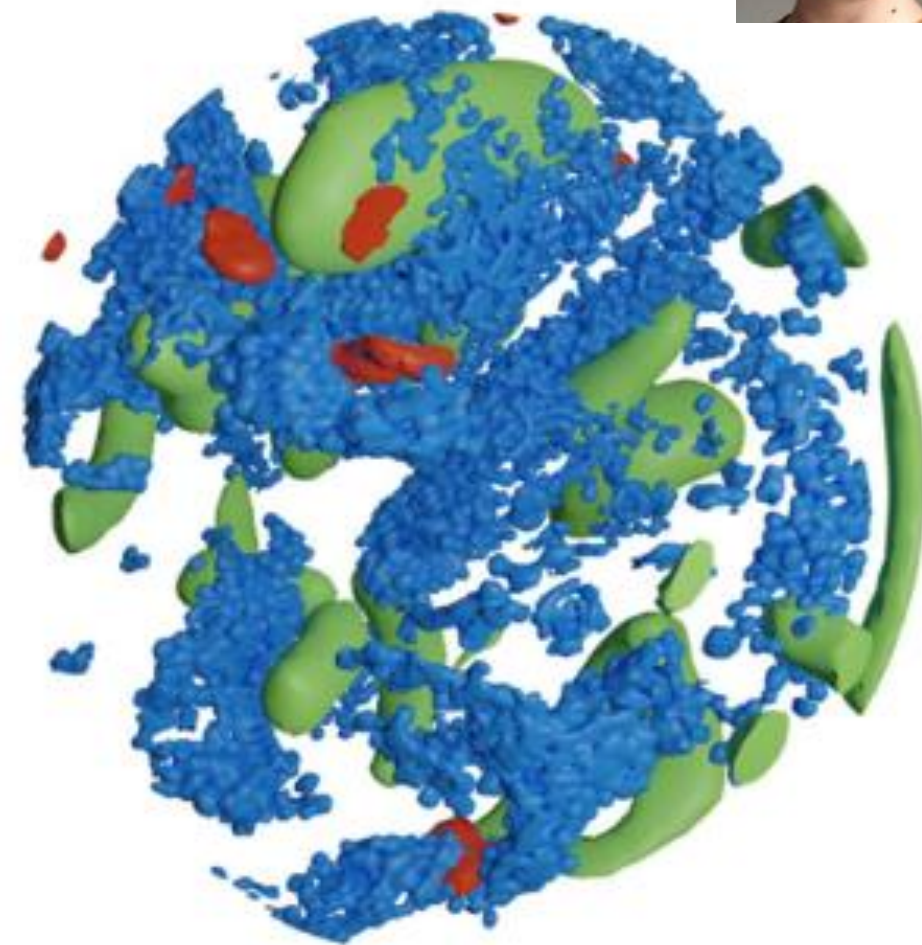
Real structures are not points, small structures are difficult to separate



Graham Knott and Marco Cantoni. Electron microscopy dataset. <https://cvlab.epfl.ch/data/data-em/>

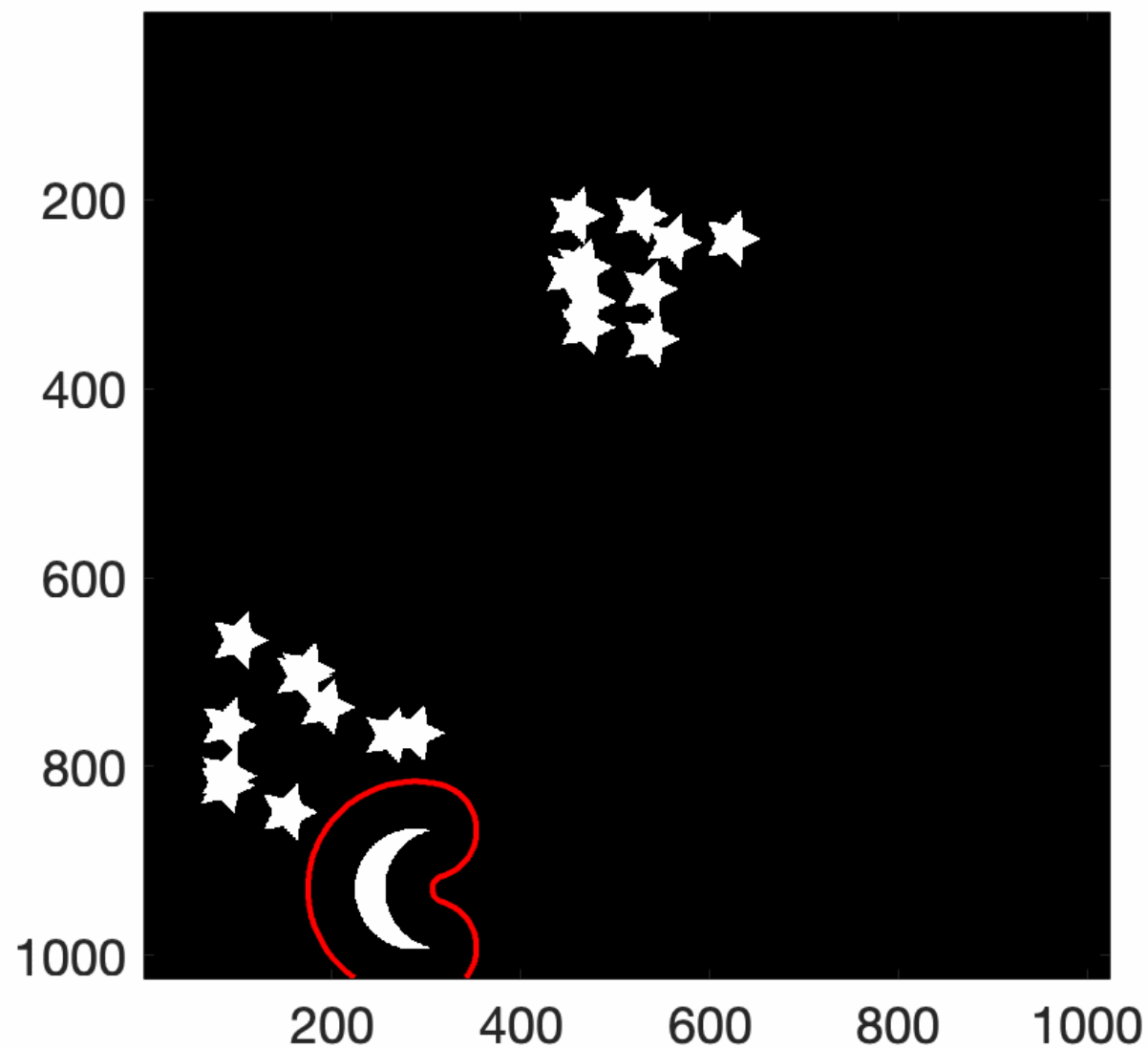


Deep Learning

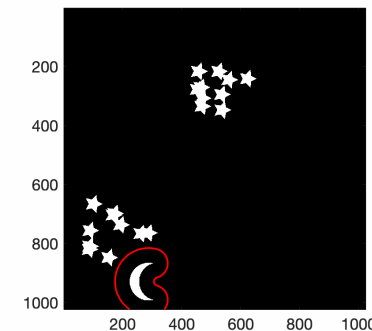
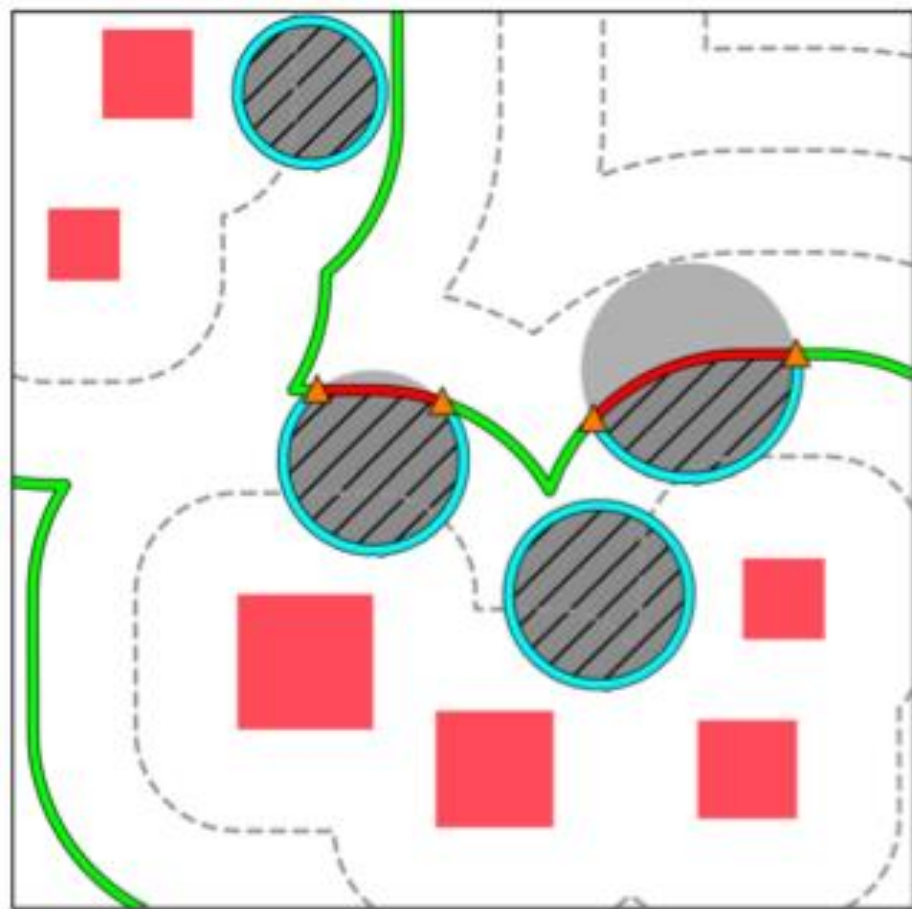


Measuring Shape Relations Using r-Parallel Sets; HJT Stephensen, AM Svane, CB Villanueva, SA Goldman, & J Sparring; Journal of mathematical imaging and vision, 2021

Shape relation measures: K-functions for objects







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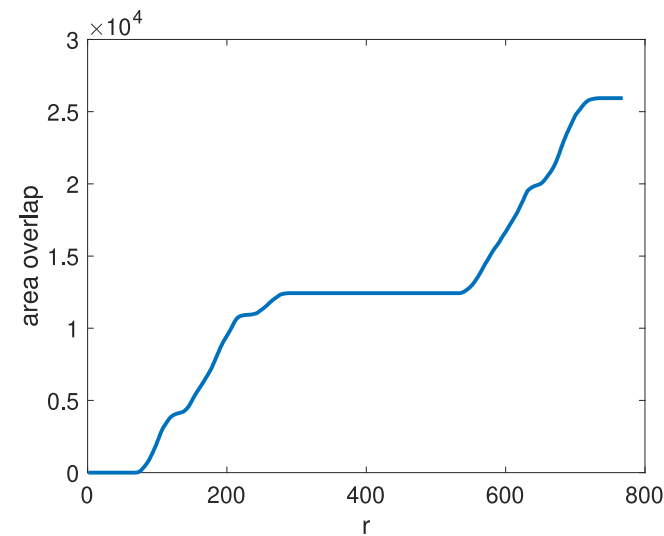
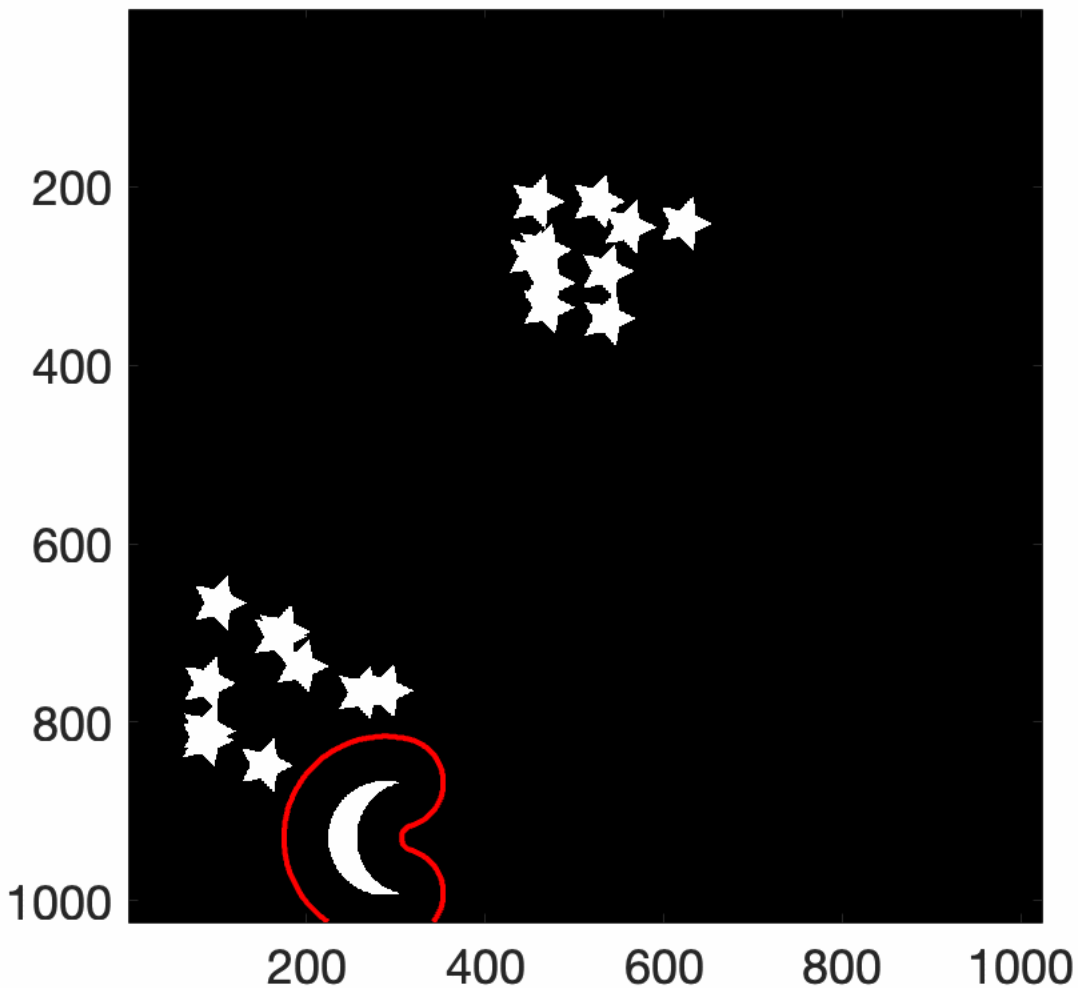


$$Y^r = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid \inf_{y \in Y} d(\alpha, y) \leq r\} \quad (1)$$

$$\mu_{\varepsilon, \varepsilon'}(X, Y^r) = \mathcal{H}^{d-\varepsilon-\varepsilon'}(\partial^\varepsilon X \cap \partial^{\varepsilon'} Y^r) . \quad (2)$$

$d = 2$	$(\varepsilon, \varepsilon')$	$\mathcal{H}^{d-\varepsilon-\varepsilon'}$	$\partial^\varepsilon X \cap \partial^{\varepsilon'} Y^r$	Interpretation of $\mu_{\varepsilon, \varepsilon'}(X, Y^r)$
	(0, 0)	Area	$X \cap Y^r$	Area of intersection
	(0, 1)	Curve length	$X \cap \partial Y^r$	Boundary length of intersection inside interior of X
	(1, 0)	Curve length	$\partial X \cap Y^r$	Boundary length of intersection inside boundary of X
	(1, 1)	Point counts	$\partial X \cap \partial Y^r$	Number of points in intersection of boundaries
$d = 3$	$(\varepsilon, \varepsilon')$	$\mathcal{H}^{d-\varepsilon-\varepsilon'}$	$\partial^\varepsilon X \cap \partial^{\varepsilon'} Y^r$	Interpretation of $\mu_{\varepsilon, \varepsilon'}(X, Y^r)$
	(0, 0)	Volume	$X \cap Y^r$	Volume of intersection
	(0, 1)	Surface area	$X \cap \partial Y^r$	Surface area of intersection inside interior of X
	(1, 0)	Surface area	$\partial X \cap Y^r$	Surface area of intersection inside boundary of X
	(1, 1)	Curve length	$\partial X \cap \partial Y^r$	Length of intersection of boundaries

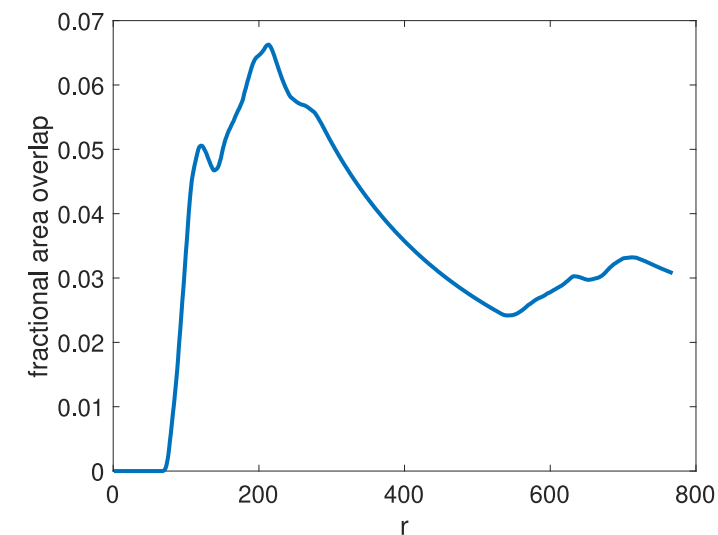
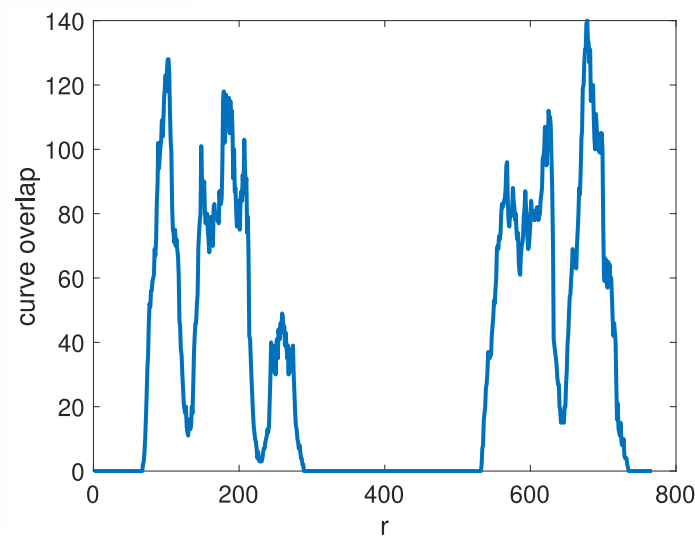
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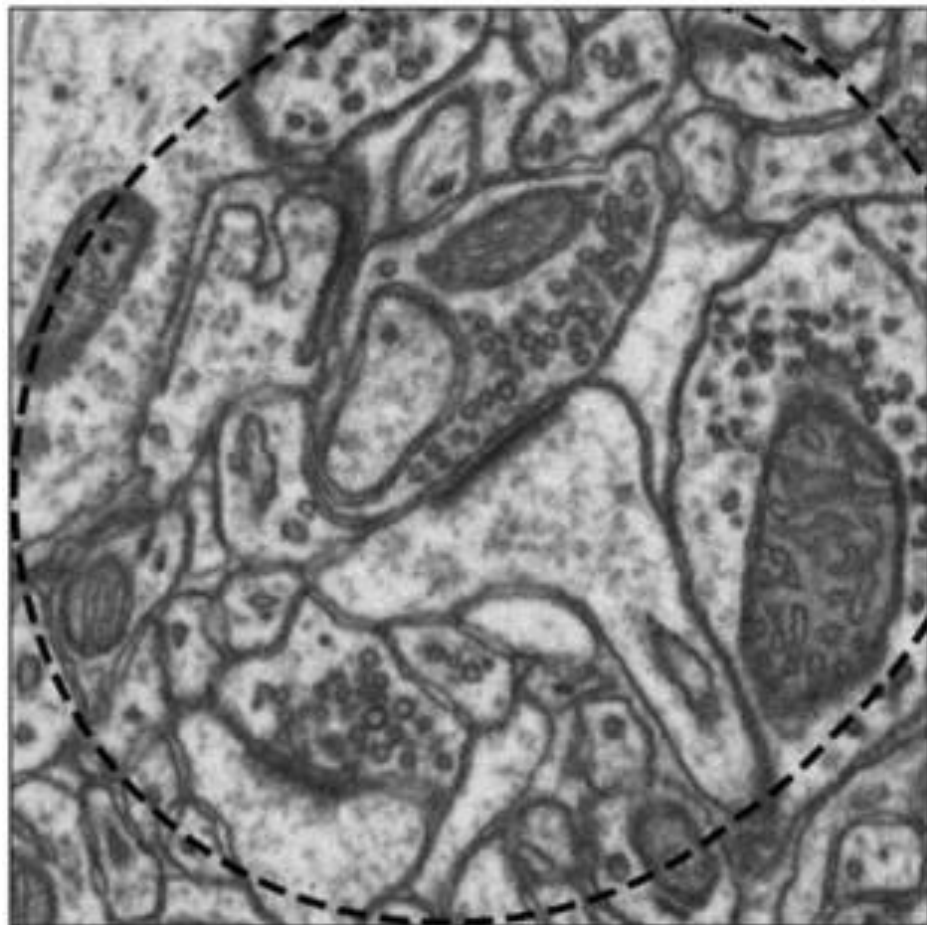
$$\mu_{00}(r) = \mathcal{H}(X \cap Y^r)$$

$$g_{00}(r) = \frac{d\mu_{00}(r)}{dr}$$

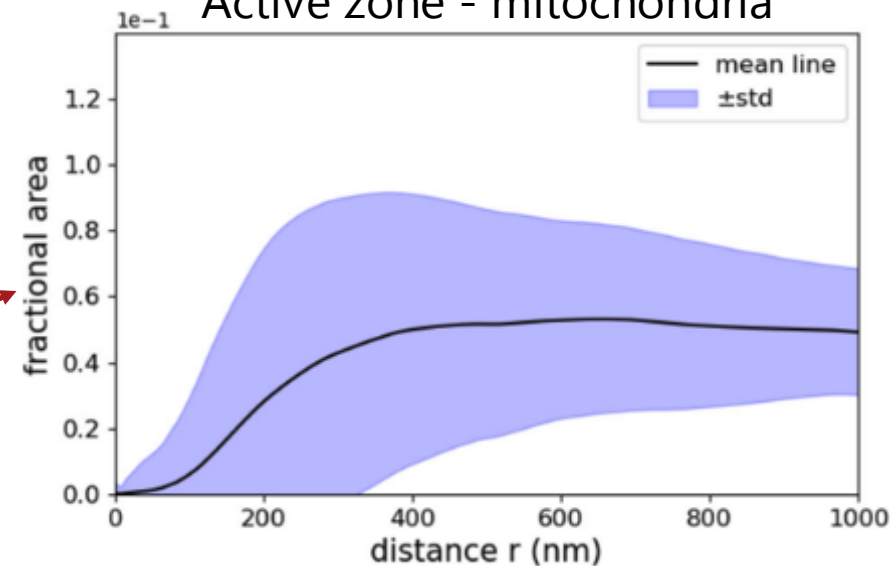
$$f_{00}(r) = \frac{\mu_{00}(r)}{\mathcal{H}(Y^r)}$$



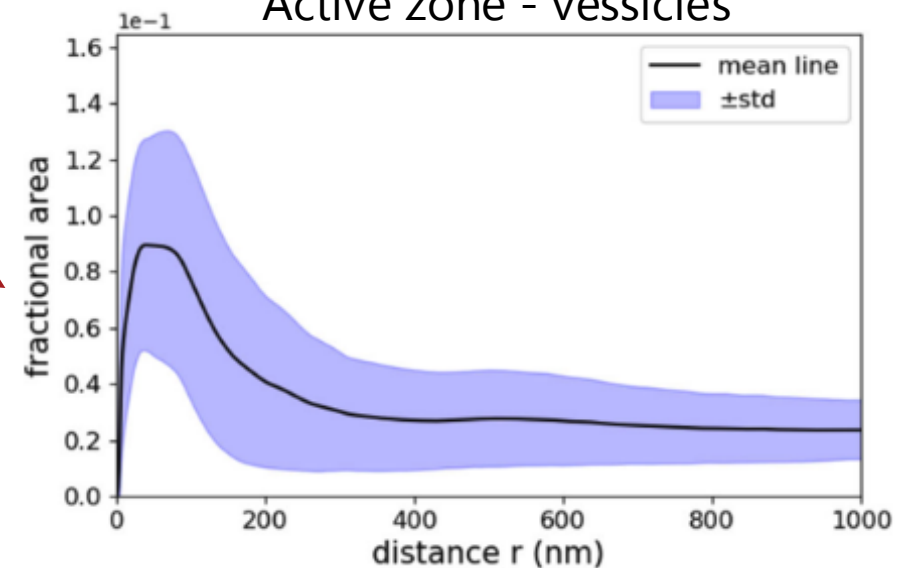
Shape relations for statistical summary of families of shapes and their relations



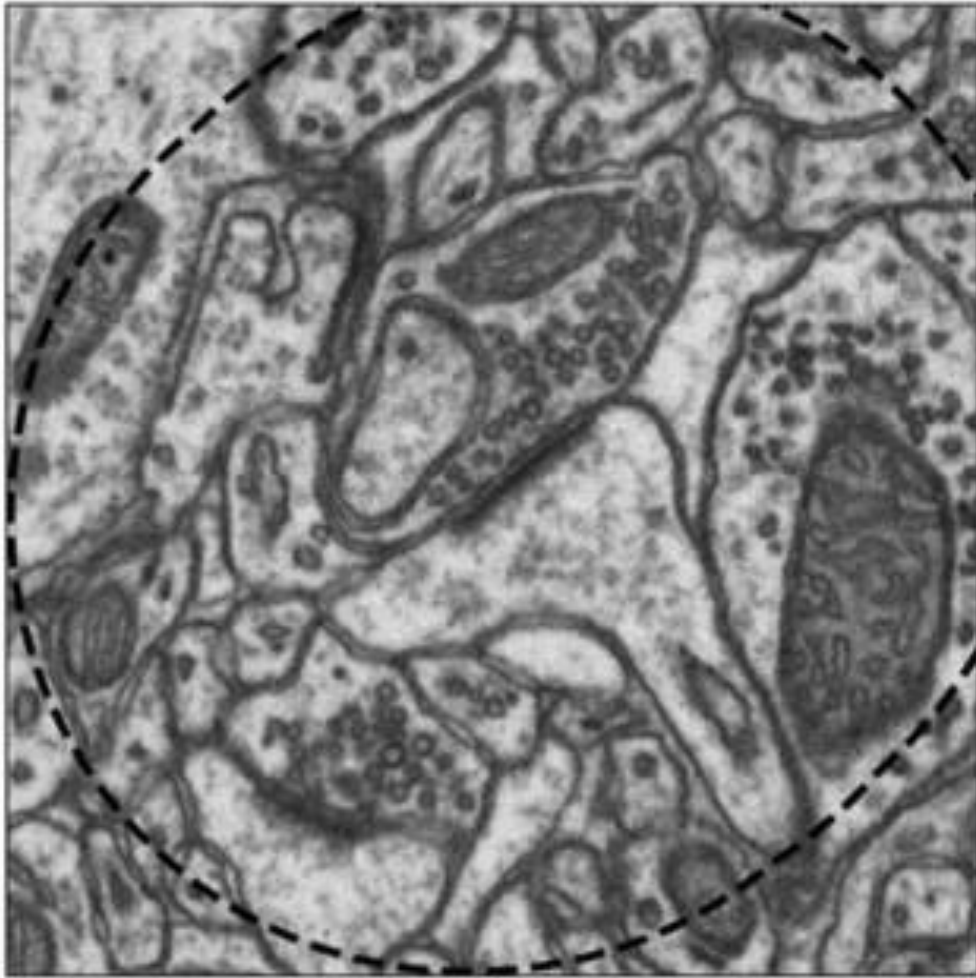
Active zone - mitochondria



Active zone - vesicles



Analyzing cristae membranes in Mitochondria

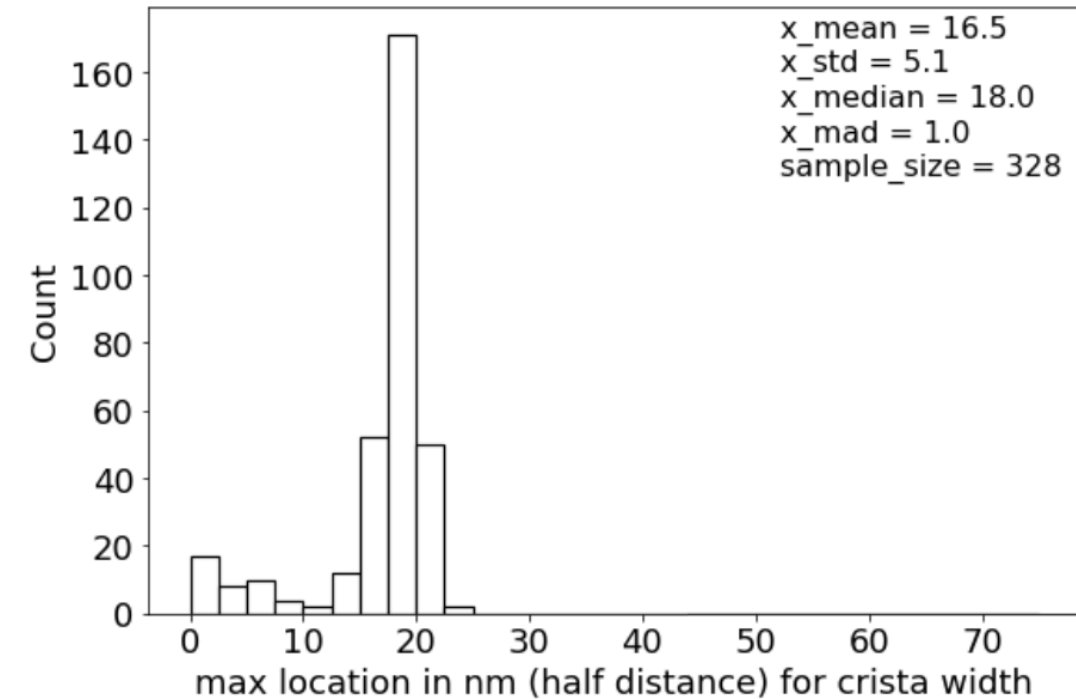
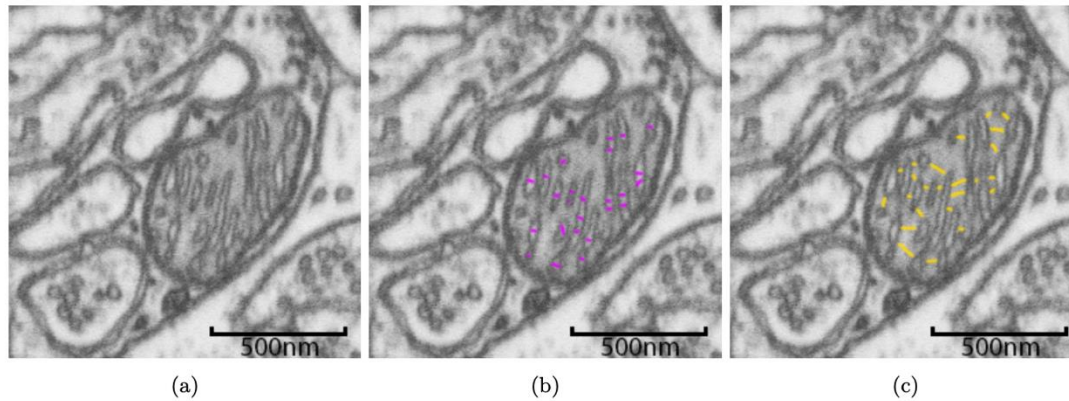


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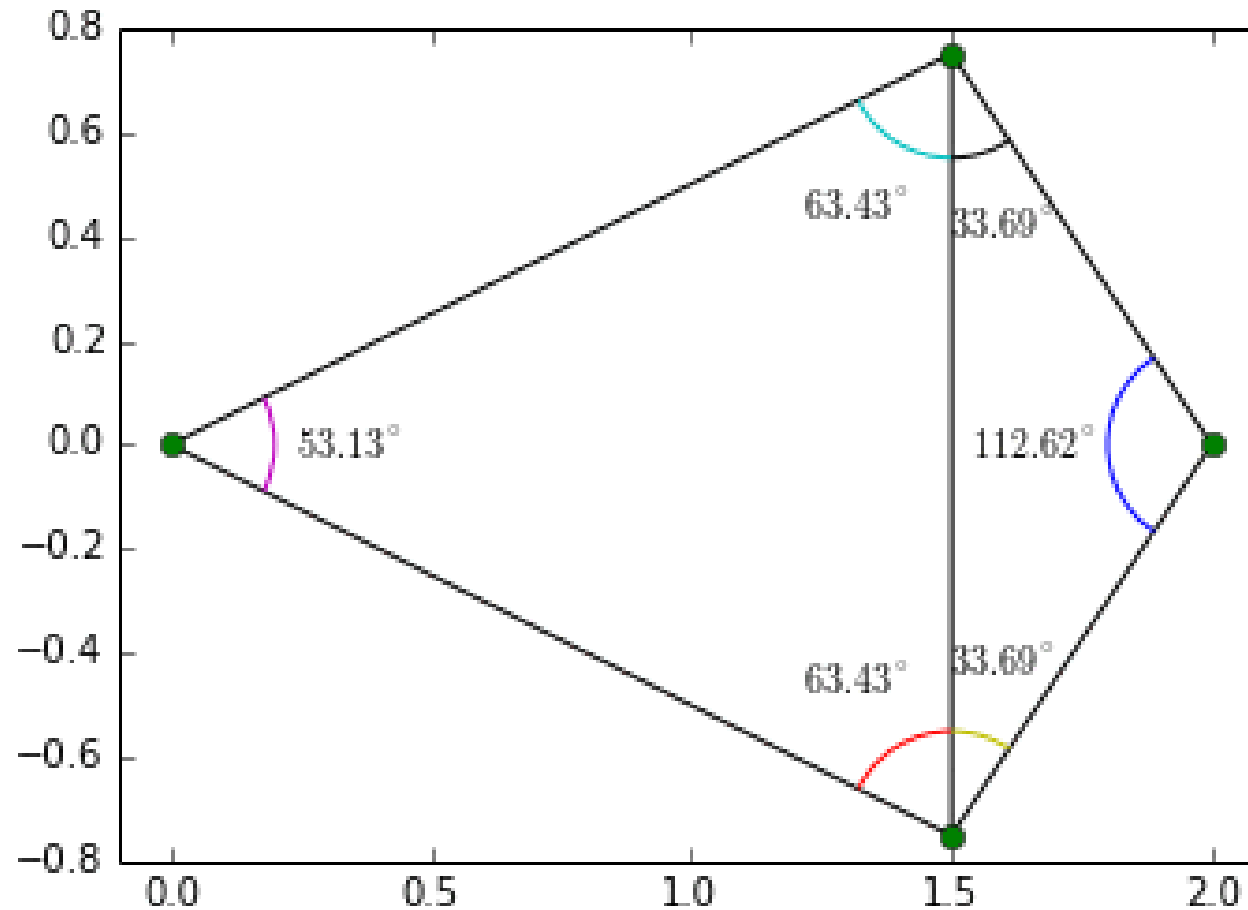


Extracting Mitochondrial Cristae Characteristics from 3D Focused Ion Beam Scanning Electron Microscopy Data, C Wang, L Østergaard, S Hasselholt, & J Sporning, to appear in Communications Biology, 2024

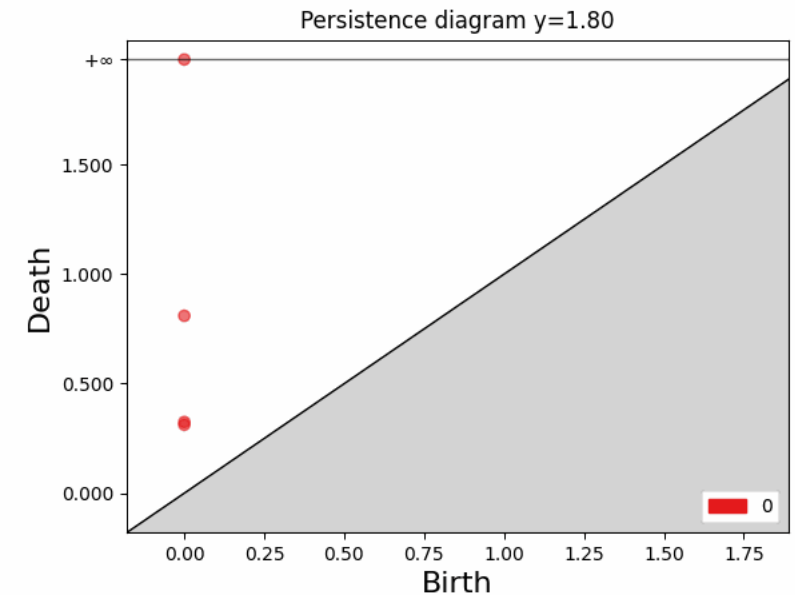
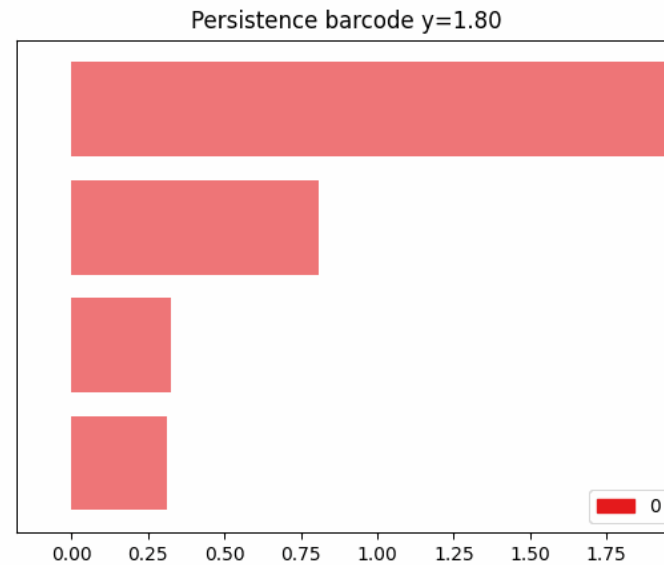
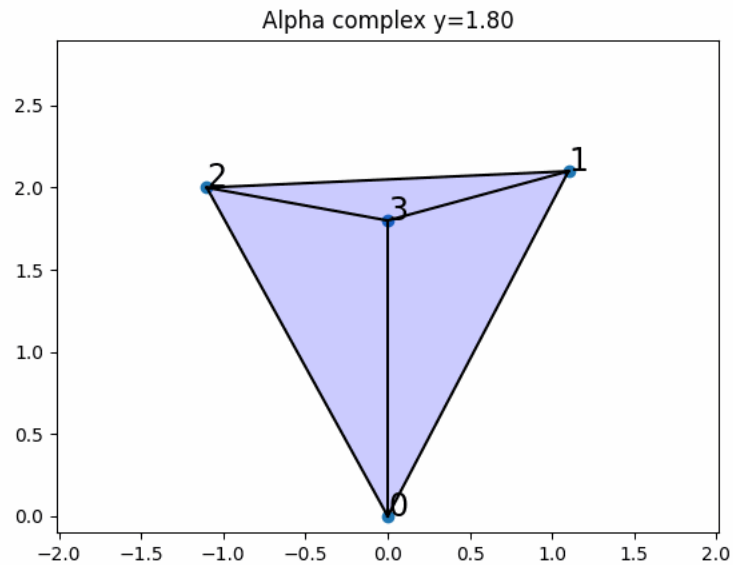
Persistent homology: Statistical measures on H_0



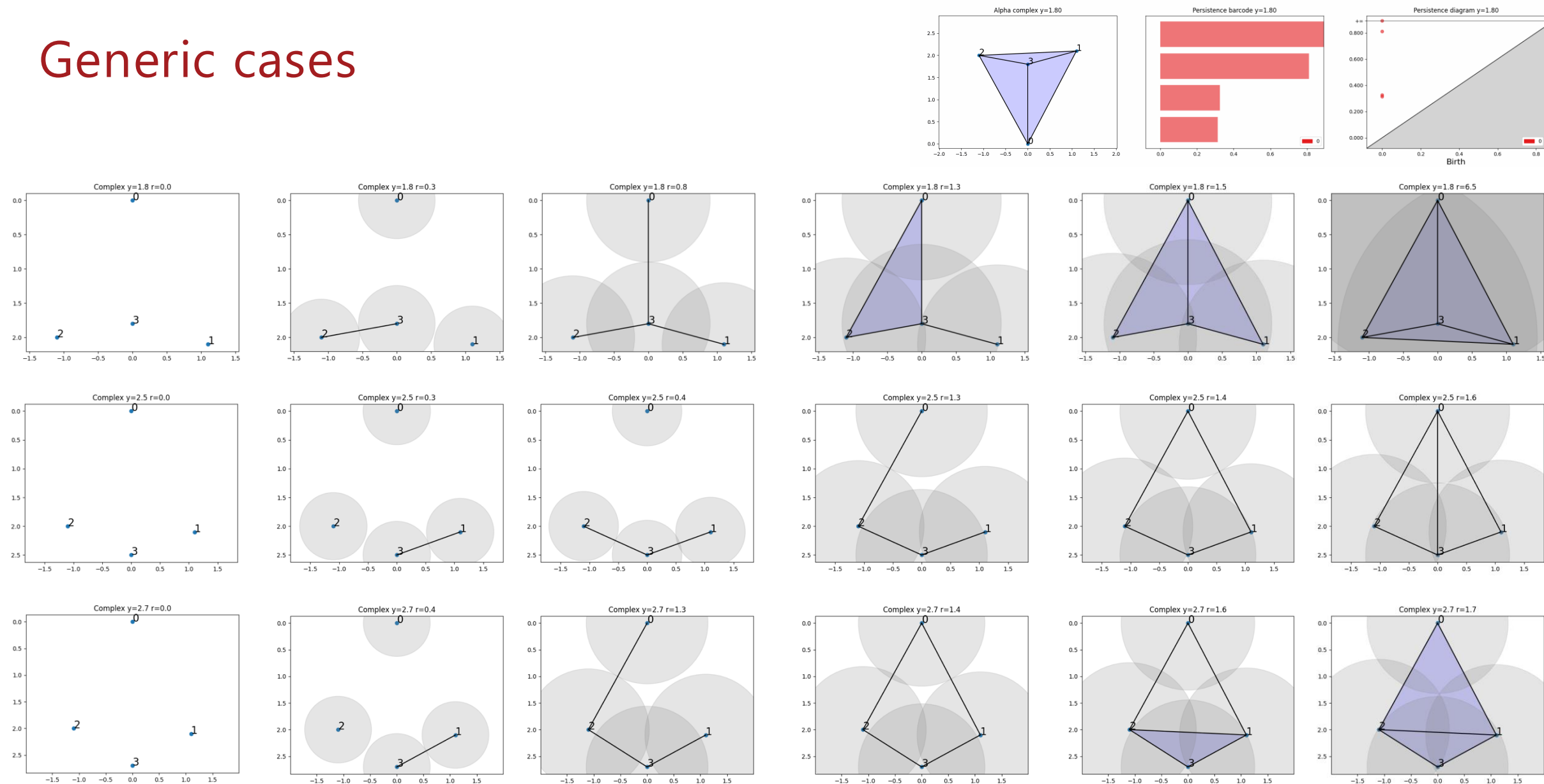
Alpha complexes = Delaunay triangulation + Vietoris-Rips



Observations on alpha complexes of 1-parameter family of 4-gons

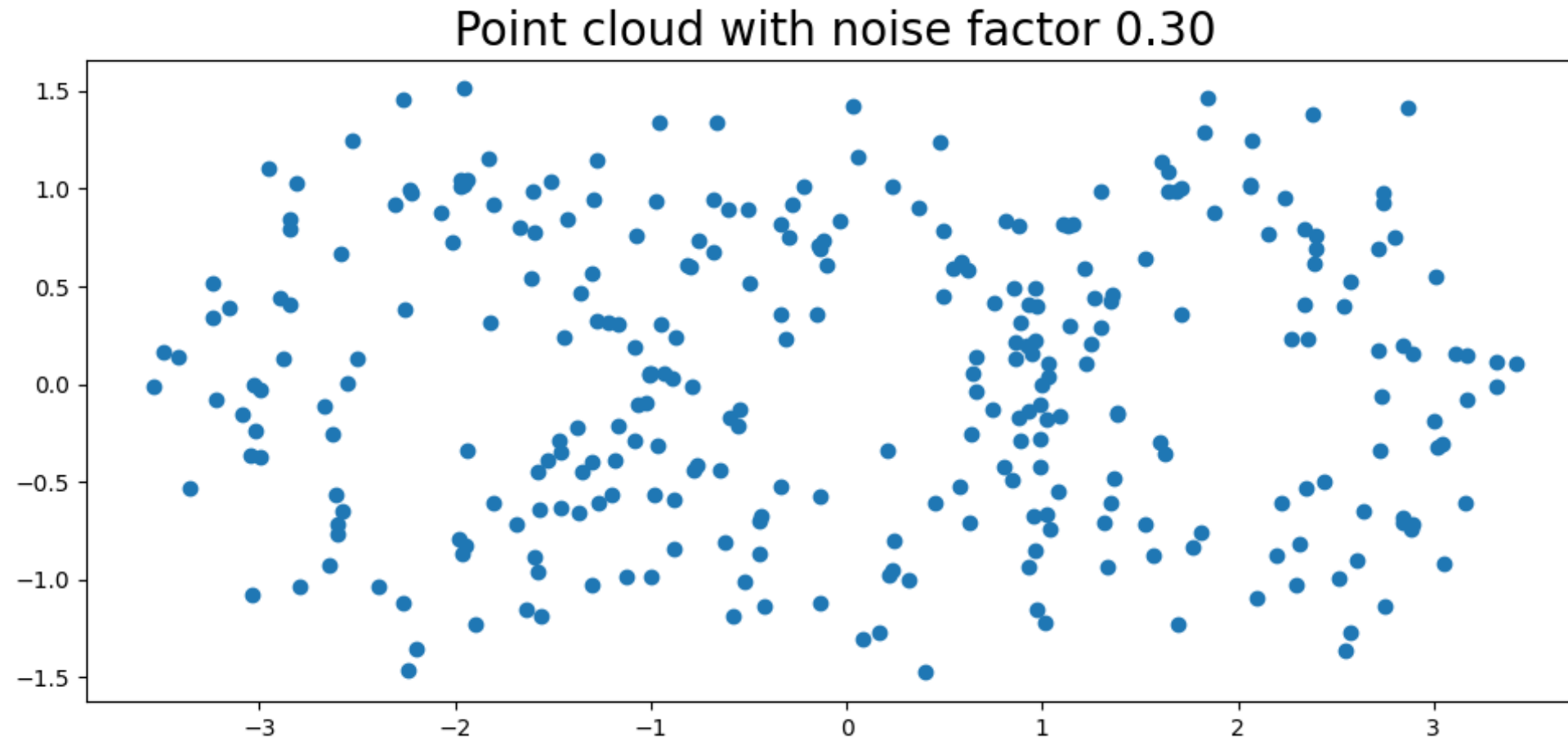


Generic cases



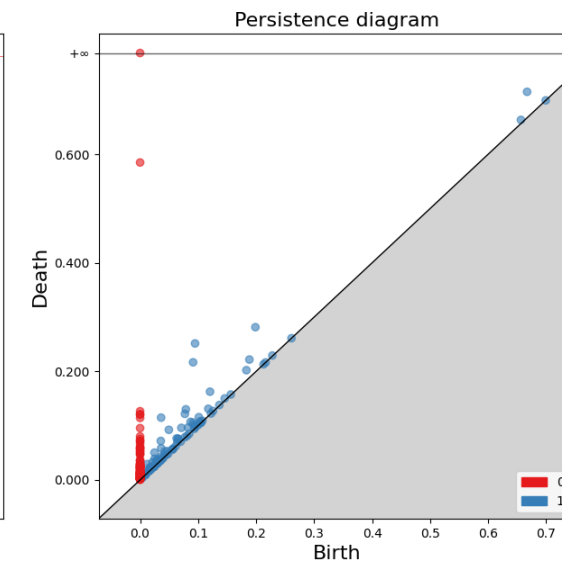
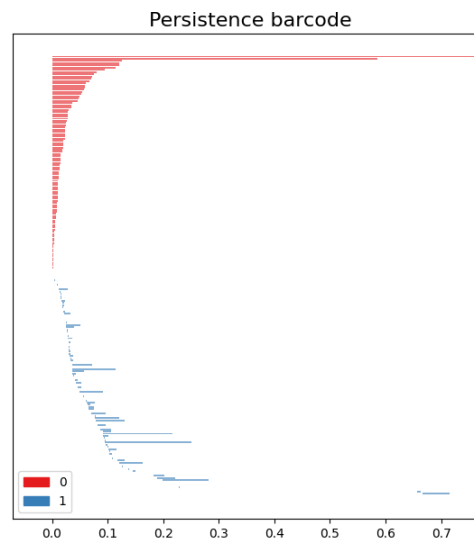
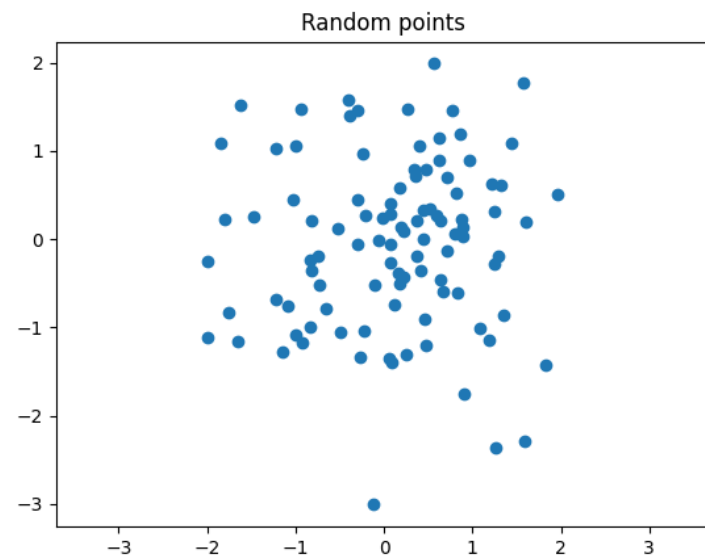
Observations: H_0 is continuous in y but non-smooth. H_1 is same + birth and death events.

Persistence under noise: $\text{dgm} = \text{dgm}^{\text{Signal}} \cup \text{dgm}^{\text{Noise}}$

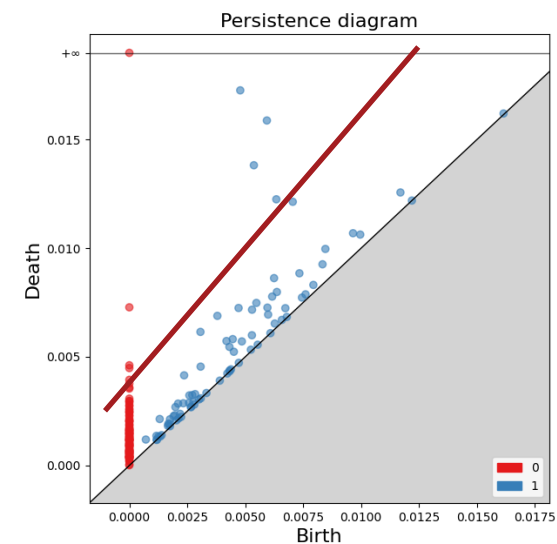
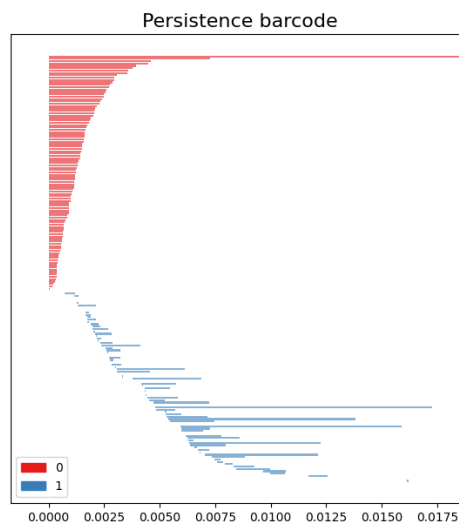
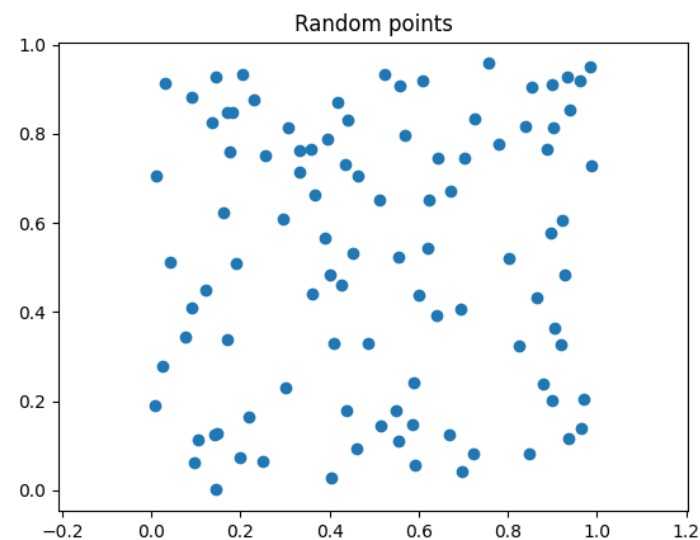


Pure noise

Normal



Uniform



Bobrowski & Skraba, "A universal null-distribution for topological data analysis", Nature/Scientific Reports, 2023

Random points:

$$x \in S(d), \quad x \sim f, \quad p = (r_{\text{birth}}, r_{\text{death}})$$

Left-skewed Gumbel distribution:

$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-e^x}, \quad f(x) = e^{x-e^x}, \quad \mu = -\gamma = -0.57721, \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

Transformation:

$$\rho = \ln \ln \frac{r_{\text{death}}}{r_{\text{birth}}}$$

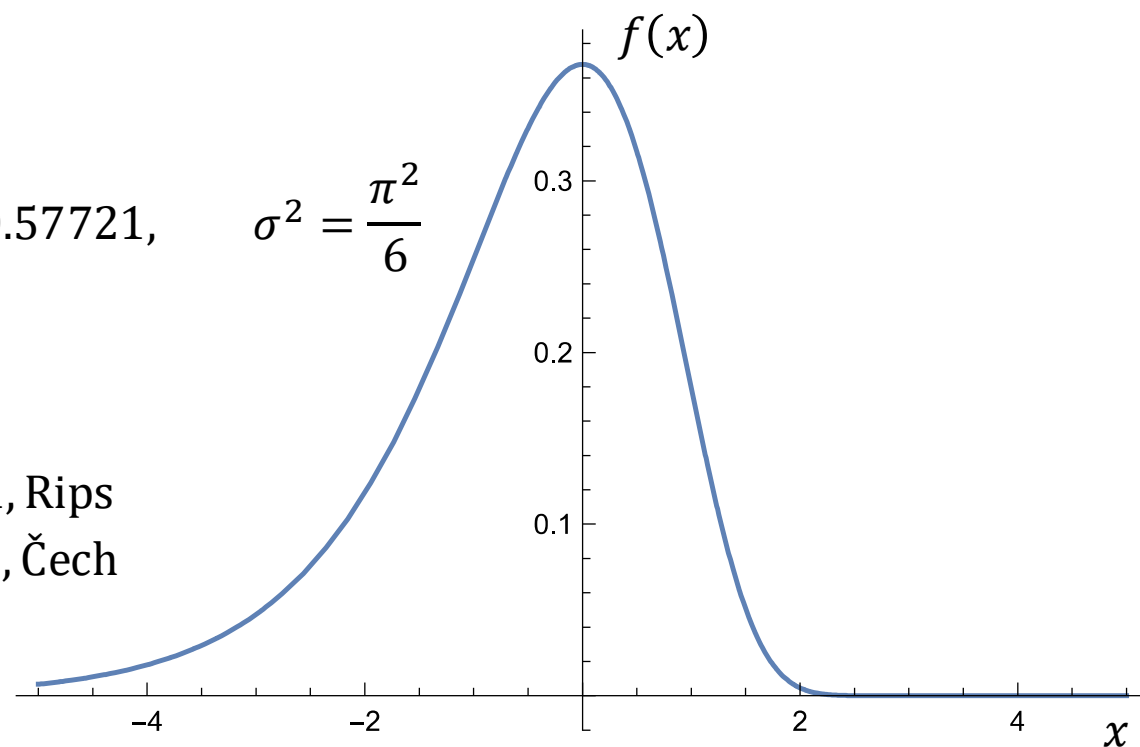
$$x = \frac{(\rho - \bar{\rho})}{\beta} - \gamma, \quad \bar{\rho} = \frac{1}{|\text{dgm}_k|} \sum_{p \in \text{dgm}_k} \rho, \quad \beta = \begin{cases} 1, \text{Rips} \\ 2, \text{Čech} \end{cases}$$

Bonferroni testing (family-wise error rate $< \alpha$):

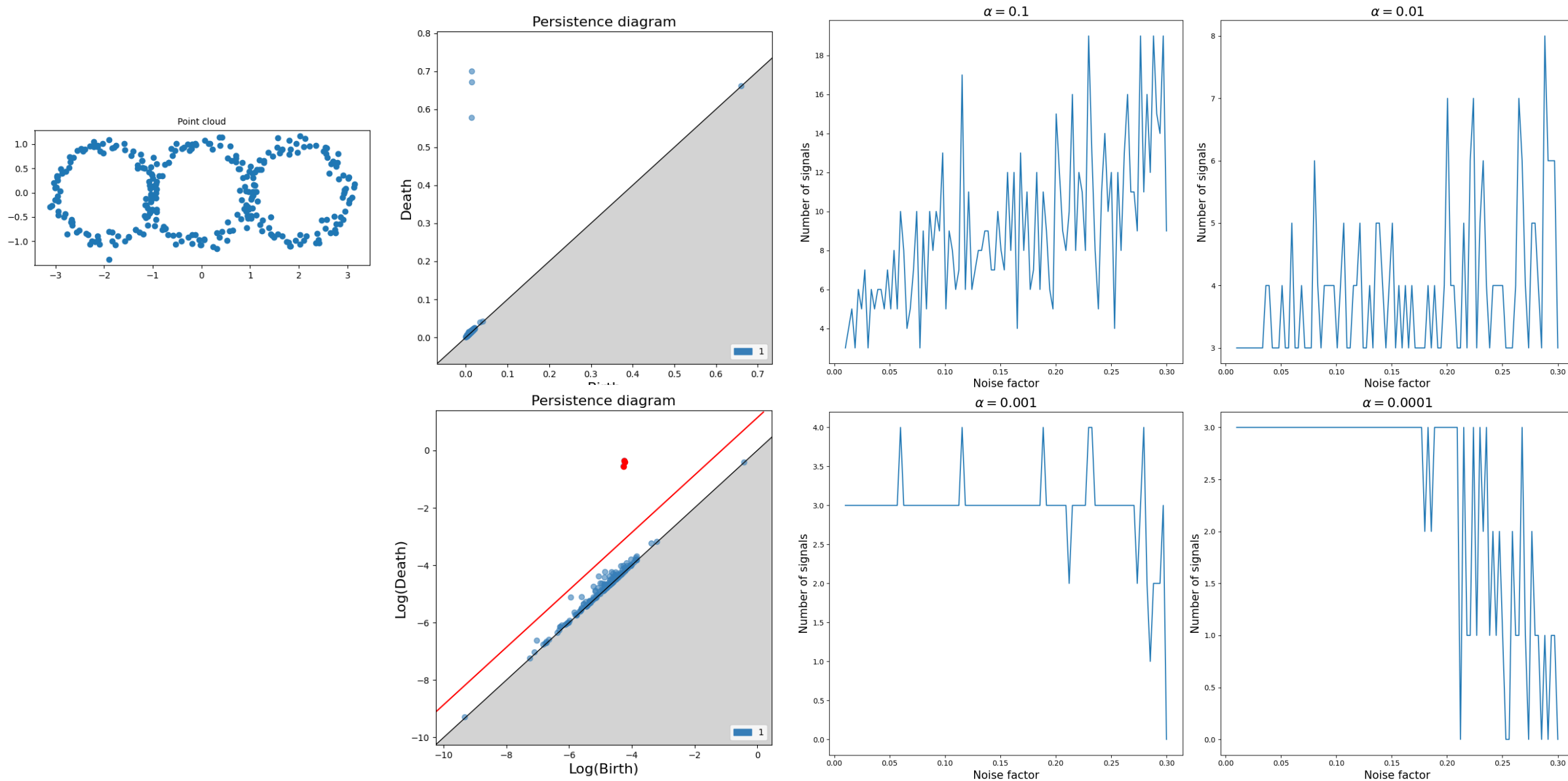
$$P(x \geq x_0 | x \text{ is noise}) = 1 - F(x) = e^{-e^{x_0}}$$

$$\text{dgm}_k^{\text{Signal}}(\alpha) = \left\{ p \in \text{dgm}_k : e^{-e^x} < \frac{\alpha}{|\text{dgm}_k|} \right\}$$

$$e^\rho = \ln \frac{r_{\text{death}}}{r_{\text{birth}}} = (-1)^\beta e^{\beta\gamma + \bar{\rho}} \left(\ln \frac{\alpha}{|\text{dgm}_k|} \right)^\beta$$

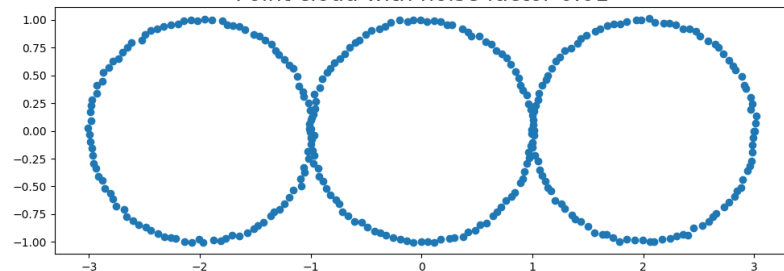


Family-wise error rate

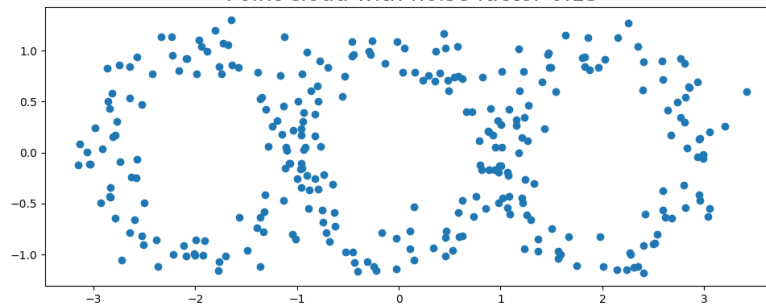


The universal distribution can separate very noisy cases

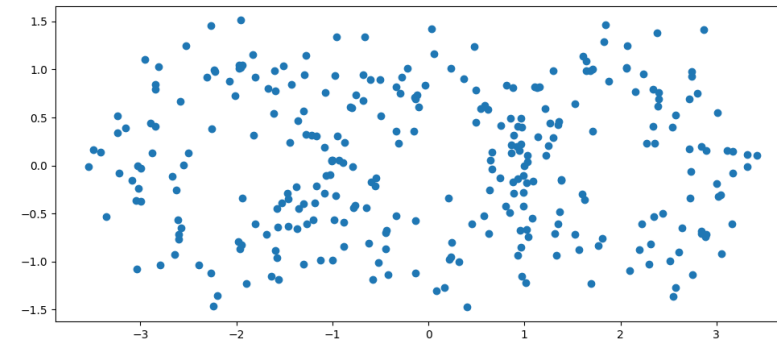
Point cloud with noise factor 0.01



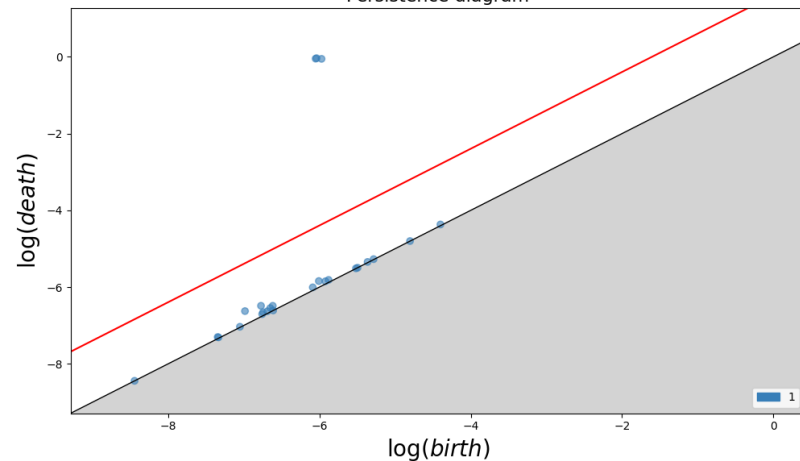
Point cloud with noise factor 0.15



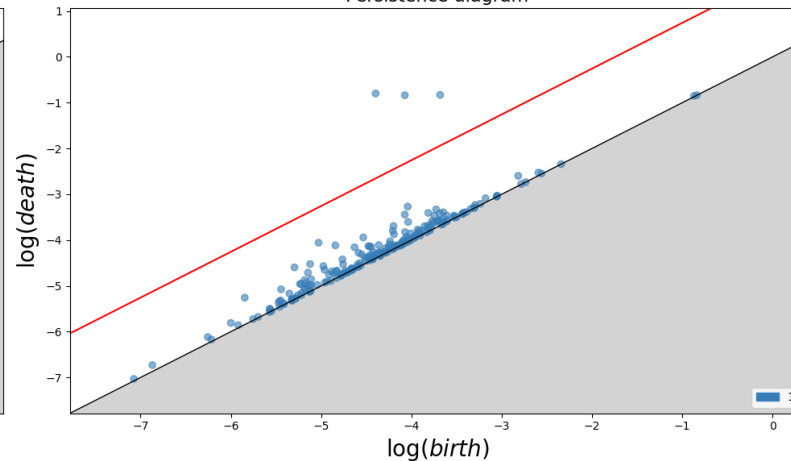
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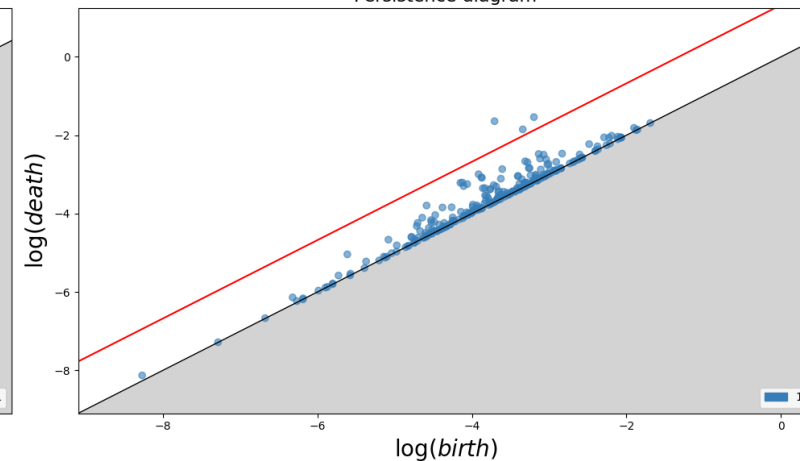
Persistence diagram



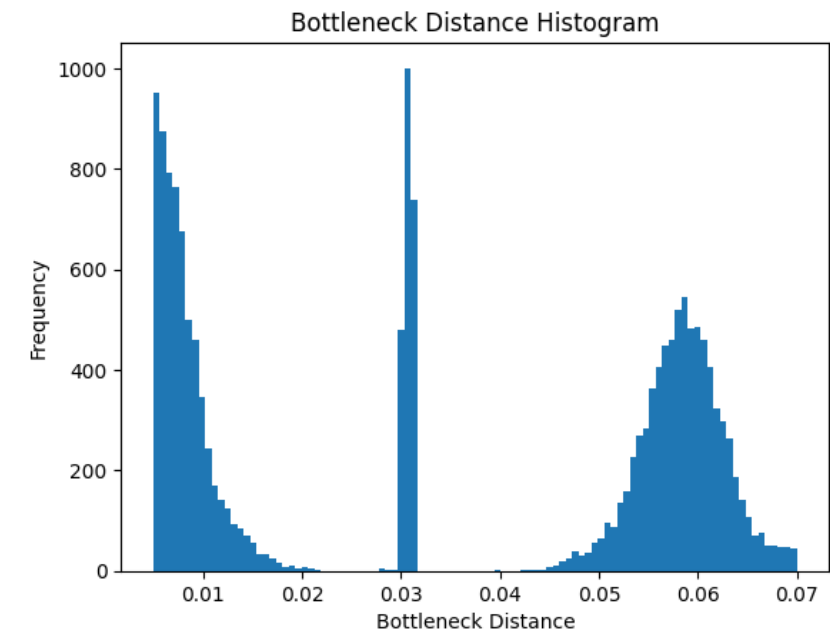
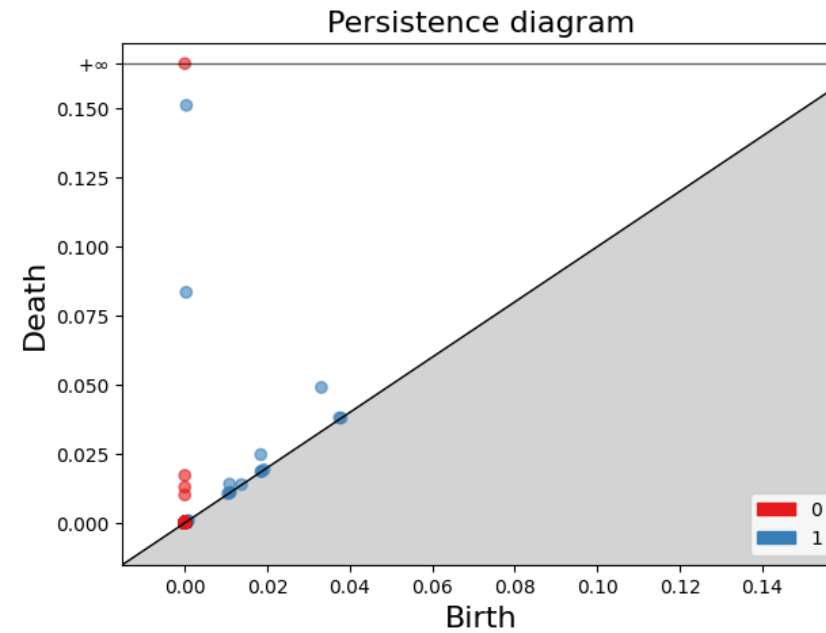
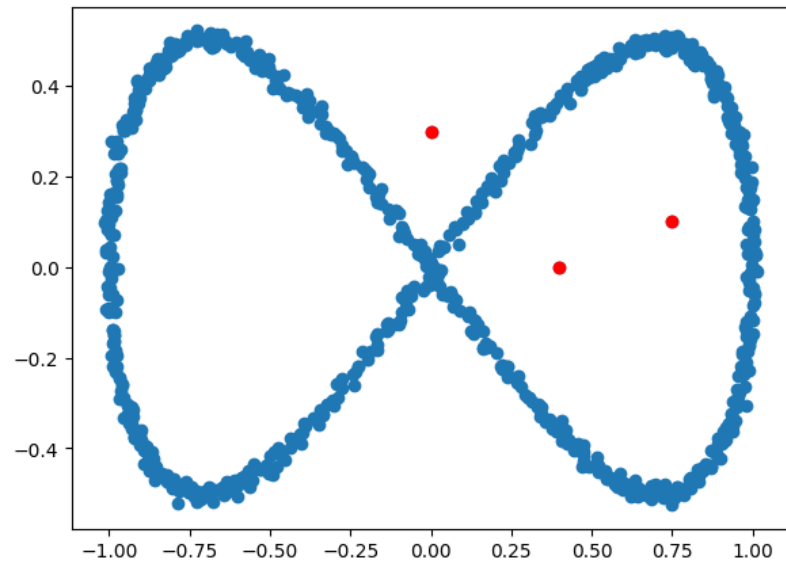
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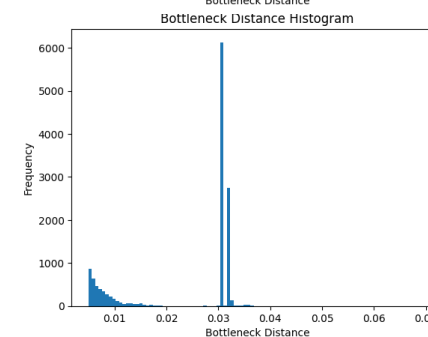
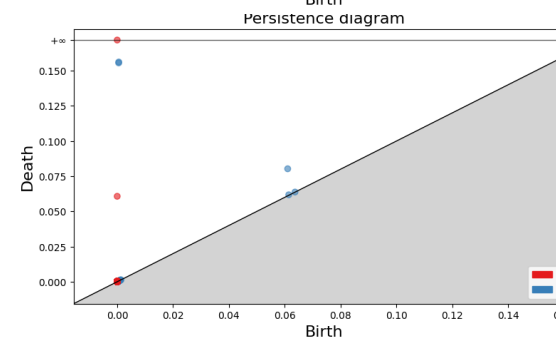
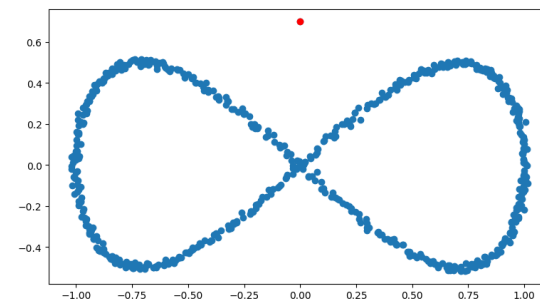
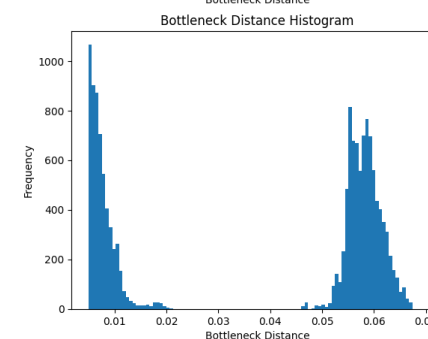
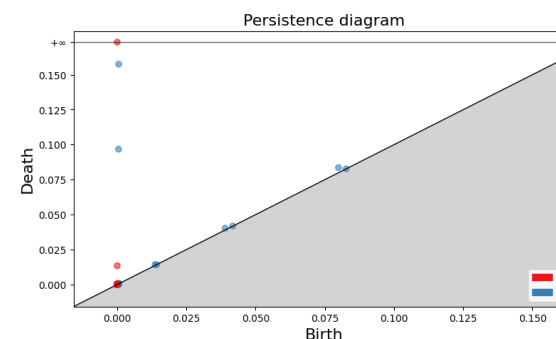
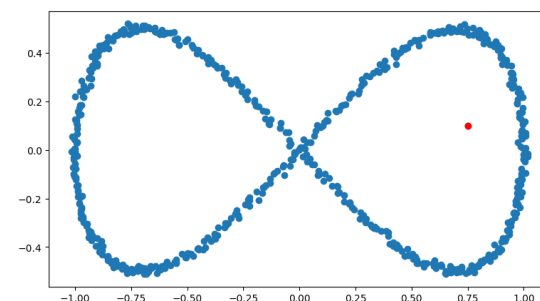
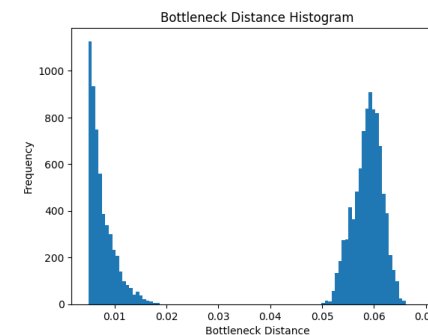
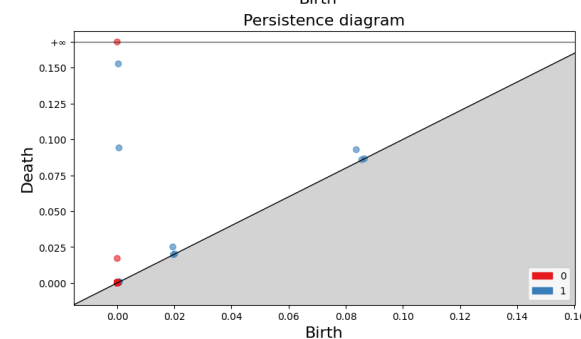
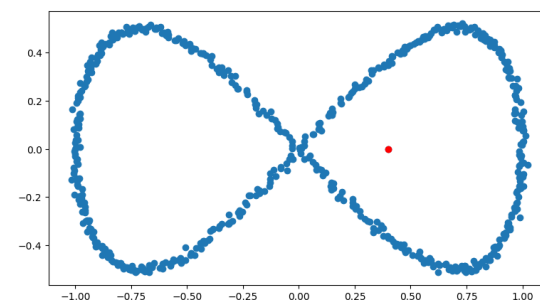
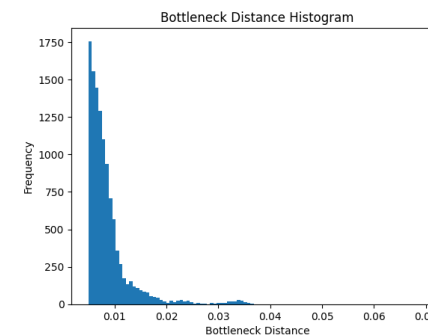
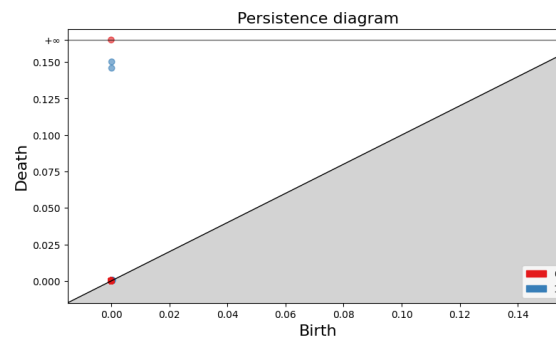
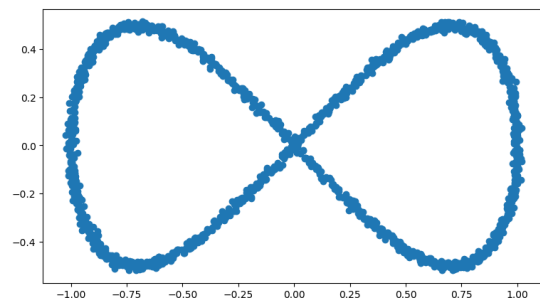


Persistence diagram



Random sampling and outlier detection

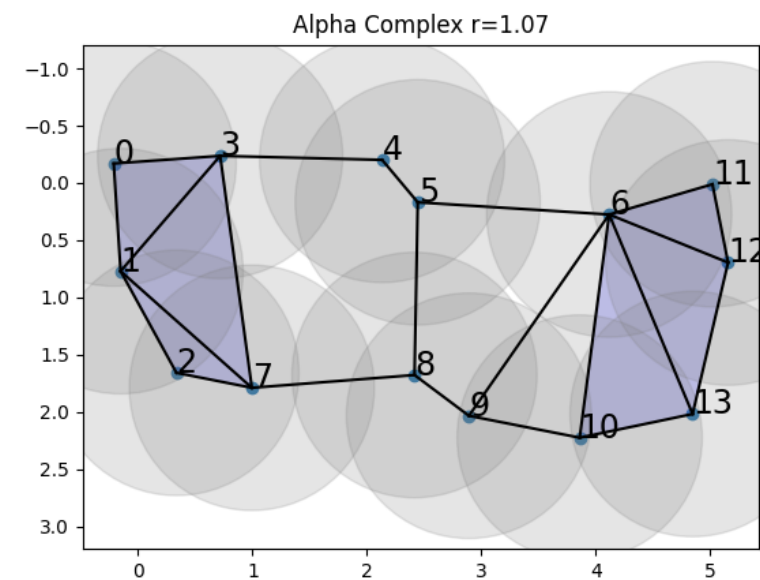
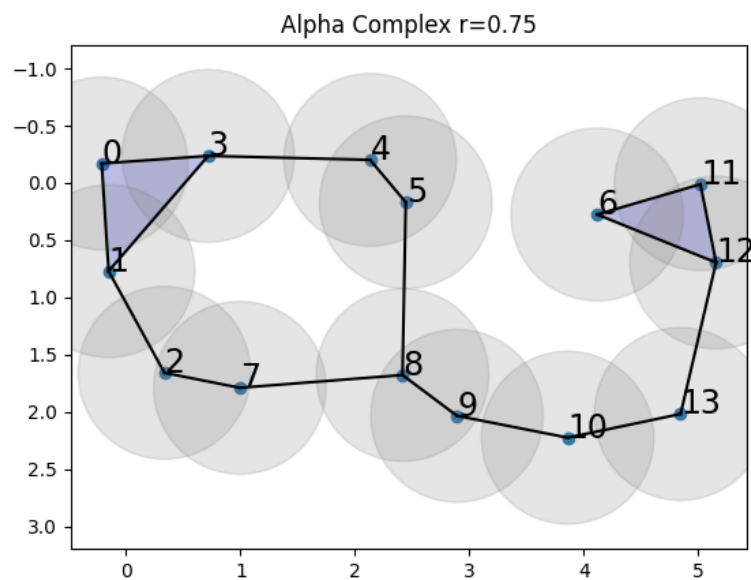
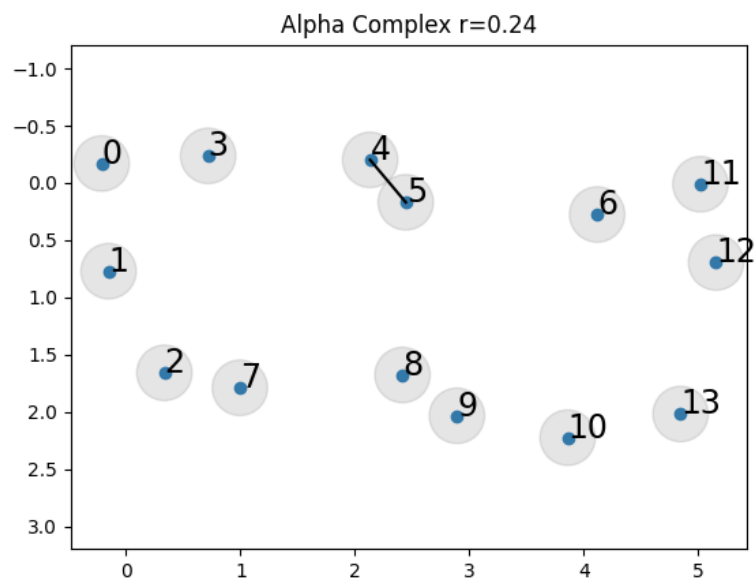
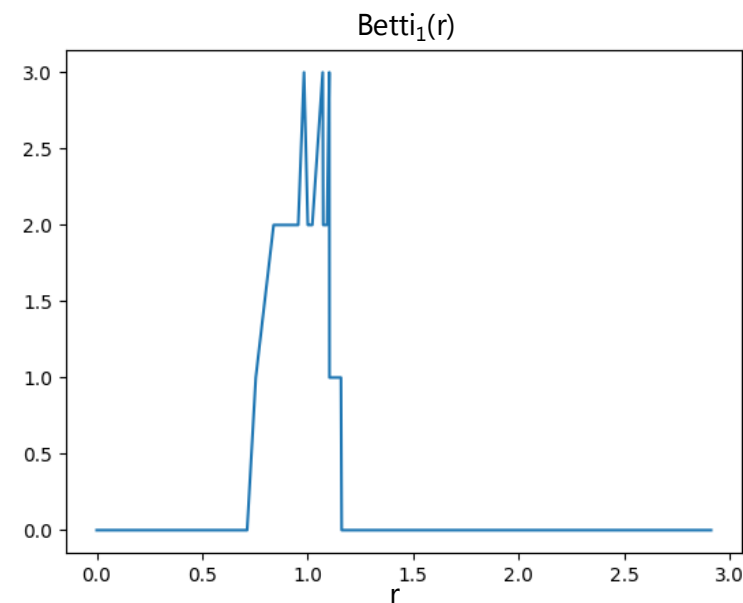
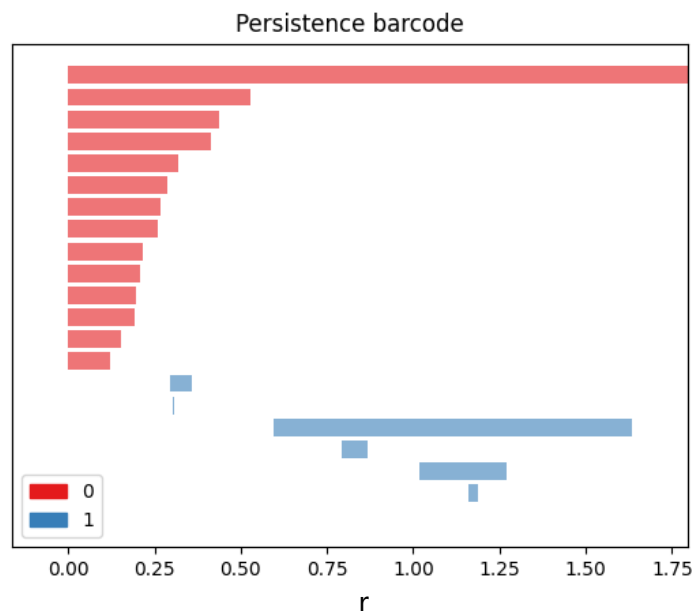




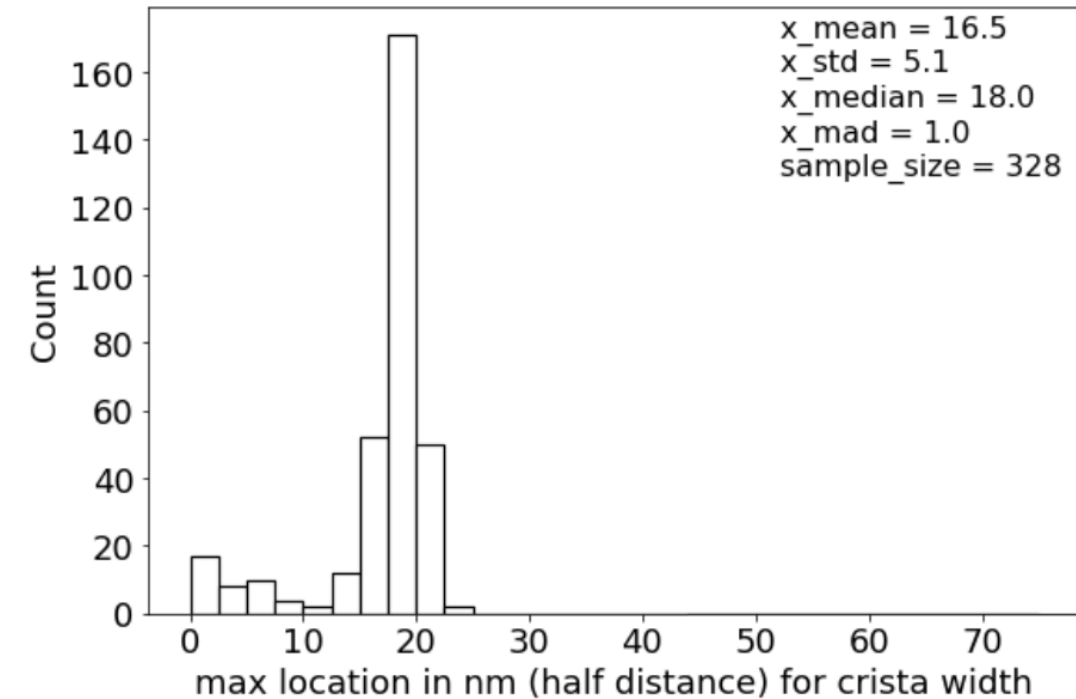
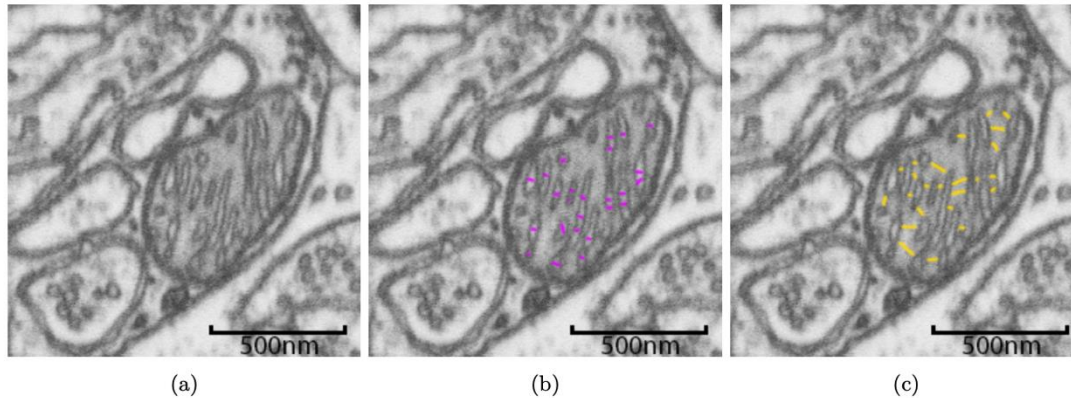
Persistent homology and bar codes

Simplex $\sigma = [x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k]$ is in the alpha complex if

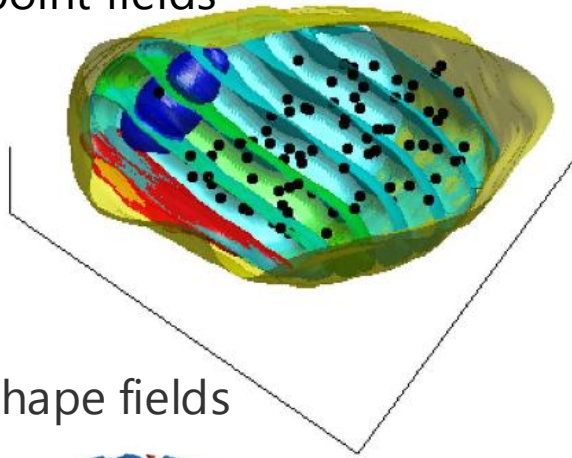
$$\bigcap_{x_i \in \sigma} B(x_i, r) \neq \emptyset$$



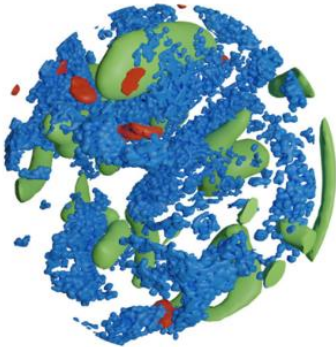
Persistent homology: Statistical measures on H_0



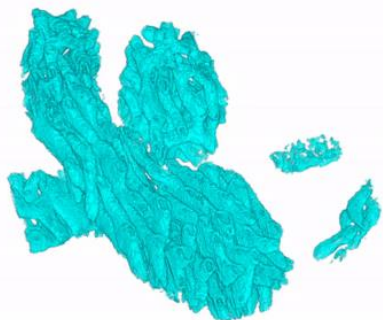
Spatial point fields



Spatial shape fields



Topological data analysis



Statistical summary of object collections

Pair correlation and Ripley's K functions summarizes 1st order point relations – e.g., do the vessicles cluster?

Hausdorf measures on overlapping sets extends notion of points to shapes – e.g., are mitochondria seen close to the synapse?

Filtrations brings topological concepts to measurements - e.g., what is the average tubular radius of complicated objects

