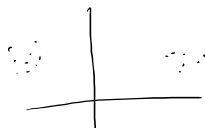
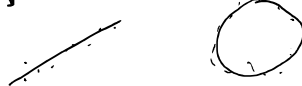


Goal: Structure in "big" data

eg patient $\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

M patients $\rightarrow M$ points in \mathbb{R}^n .

Similarity metric d

- How to find clusters of similar data pts \rightarrow 
- How to determine if data lies along a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow 
- How to compare data sets:

$$M_1 \text{ pts in } \mathbb{R}^{N_1}$$

$$M_2 \text{ pts in } \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$$

eg social network graph

- Clusters
- Comparing social networks

Note: data is noisy, so methods must be robust.


Topology - "large-scale structure & connectivity"

"invariant under continuous deformations"

Algebraic Topology - provides methods to compute topological invariants

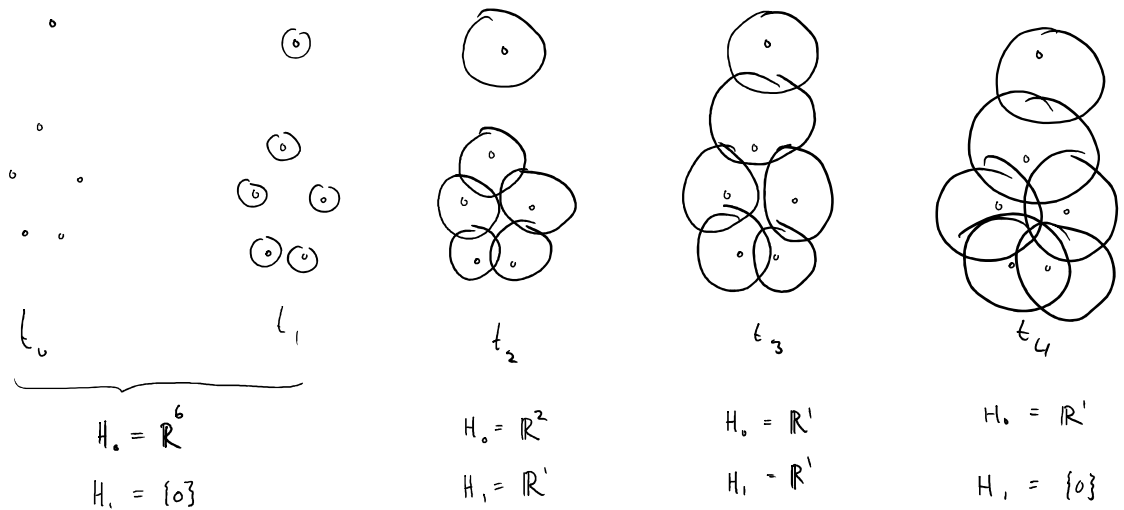
eg homology vector spaces

eg H_0 & H_1

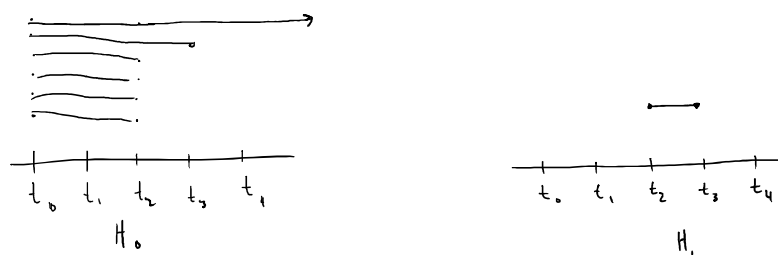
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Classical topology treats cts shapes, but real data is discrete

Novel idea: (Oos, Edelsbrunner, Carlsson)



Topological Signature called a barcode:



TDA pipeline



Road Map: Linear Algebra
Metric Space topology
Simplicial homology
Persistent homology
Main theorems of TDA
Topics