

# Computing Height Persistence and Homology Generators in $\mathbb{R}^3$ Efficiently

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# Persistence

- Simplicial filtration:

$$\emptyset = K_0 \subseteq K_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq K_n = K$$

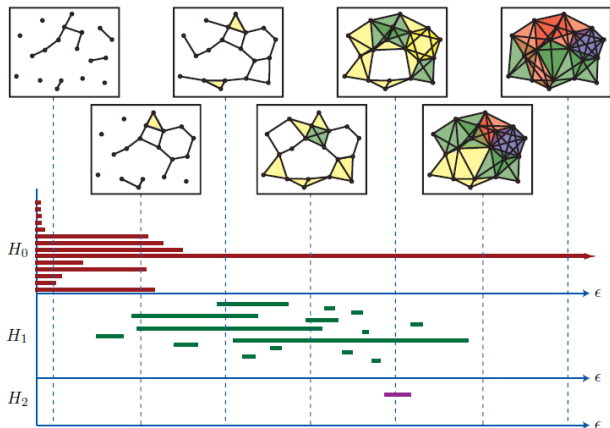
- Persistence module:

$$0 \rightarrow H_p(K_1) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow H_p(K_n) = H_p(K).$$

- **Birth** and **Death** of homology classes

# Bar Codes

- birth-death and bar codes

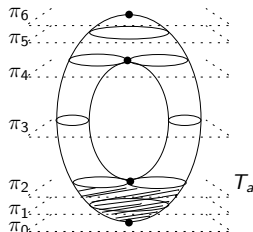


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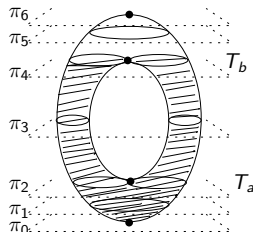
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## Previous work

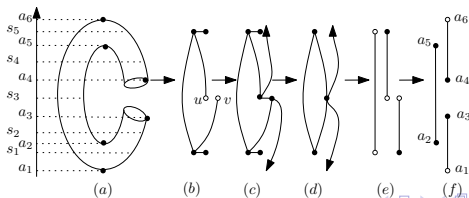
- Classical persistence algorithm [ELZ01] runs in matrix multiplication time  $O(n^\omega) = O(n^{2.373})$  [SMJ11]
- Computing Betti numbers for 2-complexes in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is as hard as matrix rank computation [EP15]
- Special cases of graphs, surfaces,  $H_{p-1}$ -persistence for  $p$ -complex in  $\mathbb{R}^p$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time; reduces to min. spanning tree

This work:

- $O(n \log n)$  algorithm for height persistence  $z : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{T} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$
- $O(n \log n + k)$  algorithm for computing  $H_1$ -generators for  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$

# Approach

- Use zigzag level set persistence for  $z : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for a subset of bars of height persistence
  - Track level sets to construct a barcode graph  $B$ ;  $O(n \log n)$  time
  - Prove that reduced  $H_0$ -persistence for height on  $B$  is equivalent to  $H_1$ -persistence for height on  $\mathbb{T}$
  - Extract bars for the height on  $B$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time by modifying an algorithm of [AEHW05]
- Rest of the bars for  $z : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are computed from the Reeb graph  $R_z(\mathbb{T})$ ;  $O(n \log n)$  time [Parsa 12]





# Sub-level and Zigzag level set persistence

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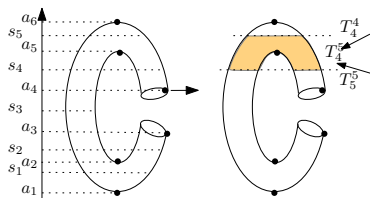
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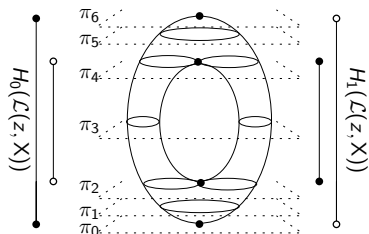
# Bars

- By Quiver theory  $H_p(\mathcal{L}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  and  $H_p(\mathcal{SL}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  decomposes into intervals:

$$\mathcal{I}_{[b,d]} : I_1 \leftrightarrow I_2 \cdots \leftrightarrow I_m, \quad b, d \in \{a_i, s_i\}$$

- Four types of bars:

- $[a_i, a_j]$ : closed-closed
- $[a_i, s_j] \Leftrightarrow [a_i, a_{j+1})$ : closed-open
- $[s_i, a_j] \Leftrightarrow (a_i, a_j]$ : open-closed
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# Link between sublevel and level set persistence

## Theorem (Burghlea, D.)

- 1  $[a_i, a_j)$  is a bar for  $H_p(\mathcal{SL}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  iff it is so for  $H_p(\mathcal{L}(f, \mathbb{T}))$ ,
- 2  $[a_i, \infty)$  is a bar for  $H_p(\mathcal{SL}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  iff either  $[a_i, a_j]$  is a closed-closed bar for  $H_p(\mathcal{L}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  for some  $a_j > a_i$ , or  $(a_j, a_i)$  is an open-open bar for  $H_{p-1}(\mathcal{L}(f, \mathbb{T}))$  for some  $a_j < a_i$ .

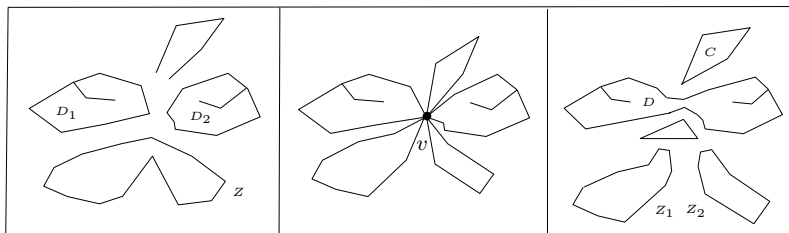
- Compute bars for  $H_1(\mathcal{L}(z, \mathbb{T}))$  to obtain the closed-open and closed-closed bars.
- Compute bars for  $H_0(\mathcal{L}(z, \mathbb{T}))$  to obtain the open-open bars: equivalent to computing  $H_0$ -persistence on the Reeb graph  $Rb_z(\mathbb{T})$

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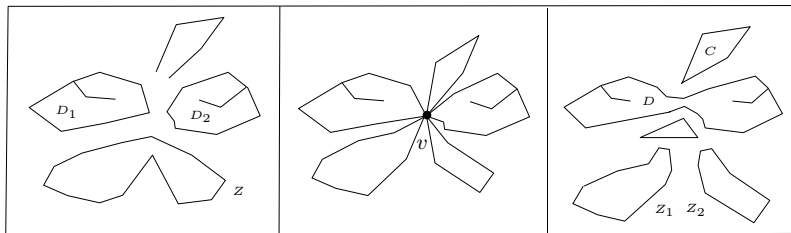
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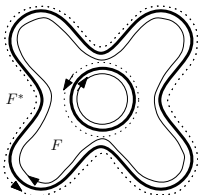
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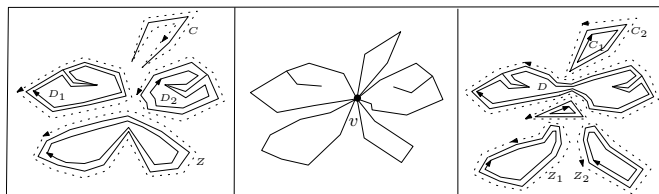
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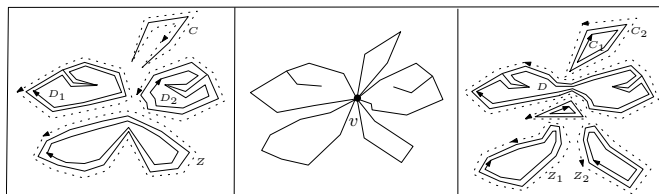


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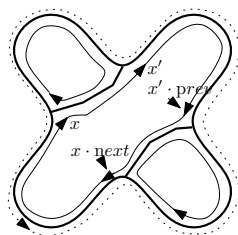
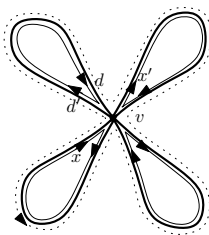
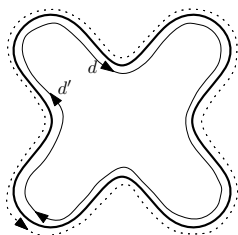


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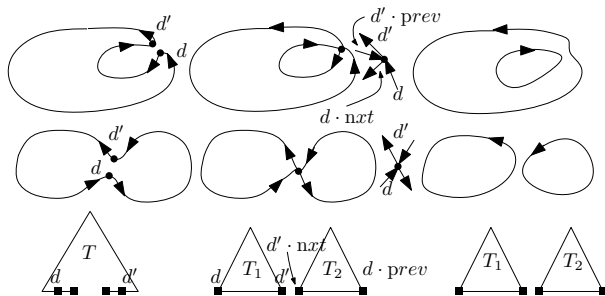


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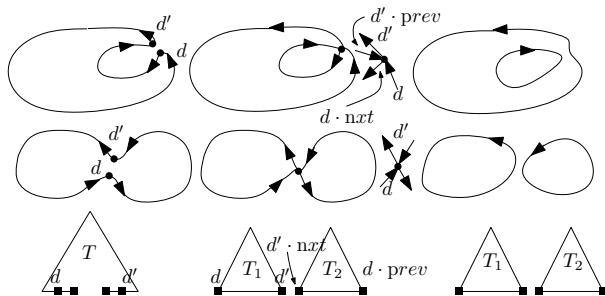
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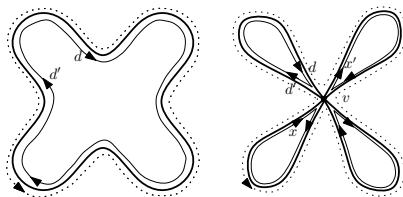


# Cycle tree operations

- Operations Split, Merge, Find in  $O(\log n)$  time
  - $\text{FIND}(d)$  returns  $T$
  - $\text{SPLIT}(T, d)$  splits  $T$  into  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  at  $d$
  - $\text{JOIN}(T_1, T_2)$  merges  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  into a single tree
  - $\text{INSERT}(T, d)$ ,  $\text{DELETE}(T, d)$ ...
- Sweeping through  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  of  $\mathcal{K}$  takes  $O(n \log n)$  time

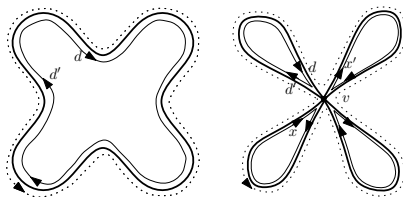
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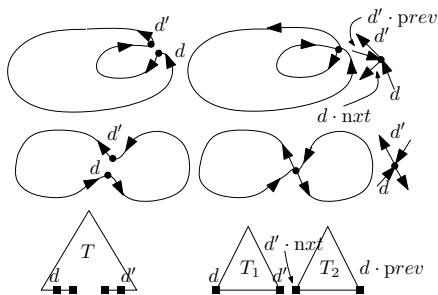
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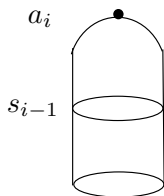
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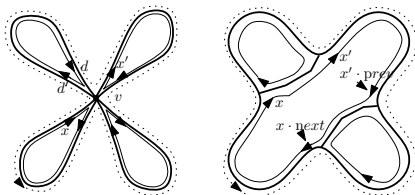
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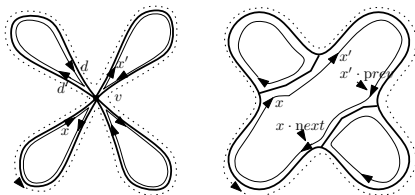
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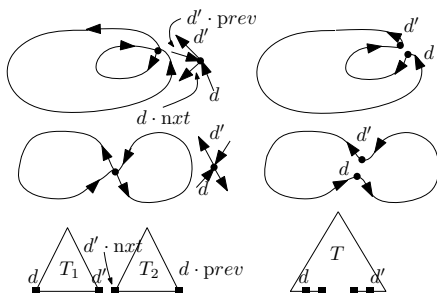
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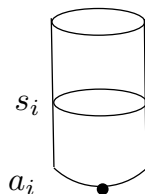
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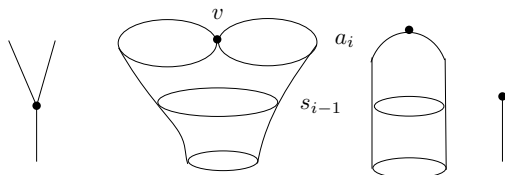
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# Updates of Barcode Graph

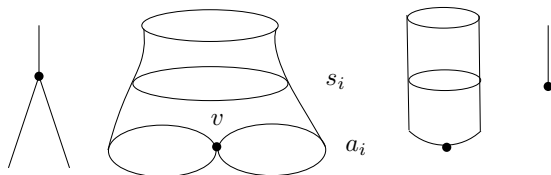
- $G_{s_{i-1}}$  to  $G_{a_i}$ :

- Split
- Death



- $G_{a_i}$  to  $G_{s_i}$ :

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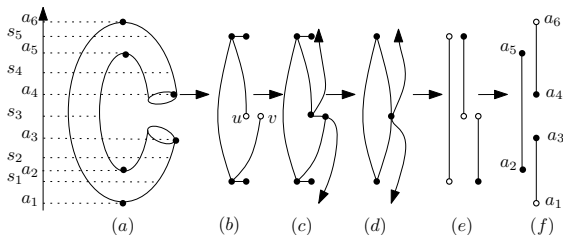


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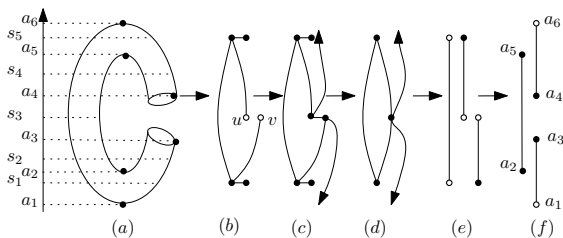
- critical values of  $z : R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{m-1}\}$ ; same for  $\mathcal{K}$  are  $\{a_1, \dots, a_m\}$ .
- $R_i^j = R_{[a_i, a_j]}$  and  $\mathcal{K}_i^j = |\mathcal{K}|_{[s_i, s_j]}$

$$H_0(\mathcal{L}(z, R)) : H_0(R_1^1) \rightarrow H_0(R_1^2) \leftarrow H_0(R_2^2) \rightarrow \dots \leftarrow H_0(R_m^m)$$

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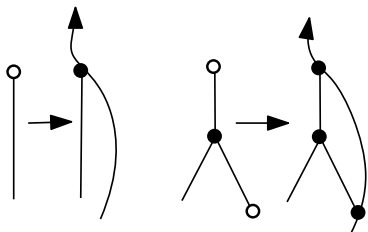


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$H_1(|\mathcal{K}|_{a_i}) \cong H_0(R_{a_i})$  and  $H_1(|\mathcal{K}|_{s_i}) \cong H_0(R_{s_i})$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ .

# Threading of Barcode Graph

- $H_1(\mathcal{K}_i^{i+1}) = H_1(z^{-1}(a_{i+1}))$ ; same fails for  $R$
- Remedy: use  $\tilde{H}_0$ , reduced  $H_0$
- A thread connects all open ends;  $\tilde{H}_0(R_i^{i+1}) = \tilde{H}_0(z^{-1}(s_i))$



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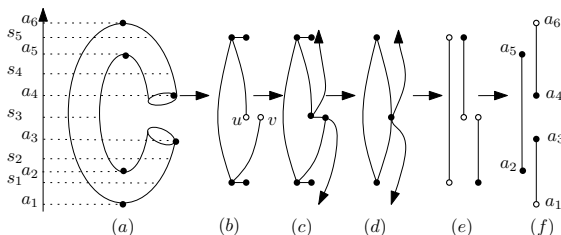
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- Output bars extracted from modified barcode graph  $R$
- Use algorithm of [AEHW06] with the mergable tree data structure of [GTW06] to extract bars;  $O(n \log n)$  time

# $O(n \log n)$ Algorithm

- Compute barcode graph  $R$ ;  $O(n \log n)$
- Thread  $R$ ;  $O(n)$
- Extract bars;  $O(n \log n)$
- Flip the bar ends;  $O(n)$
- Compute open-open bars from Reeb graph;  $O(n \log n)$





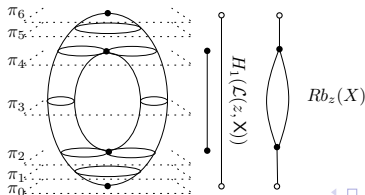
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## Proposition

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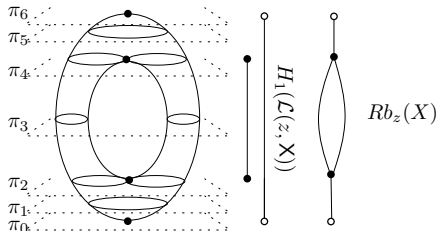
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# Open-open bars

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- Compute the open-open bars of  $H_0(\mathcal{L}(z, \mathcal{K}))$  from the Reeb graph; compute  $Rb_z(\mathcal{K})$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time and then extract bars from it in another  $O(n \log n)$  time

# Generators

- $H_1(|\mathcal{K}|) \cong \check{B}_0(z, |\mathcal{K}|) \oplus \bar{B}_1(z, |\mathcal{K}|)$
- generators for open-open bars are given by cycles in Reeb graph;  $O(n \log n + k)$  time
- generators for closed-closed bars can be computed from tracking the level sets;  $O(n \log n + k)$  time

# Thank You

