

w interleaving

## G. Stability of Persistence

(1) Cont's filtrations, +10 mins  
 (2) P. modules up to interleaving, +5 mins  
 (3)  $d_{H, \text{far}}$   
 Note: Bottleneck distance.

### ④ Continuous filtrations

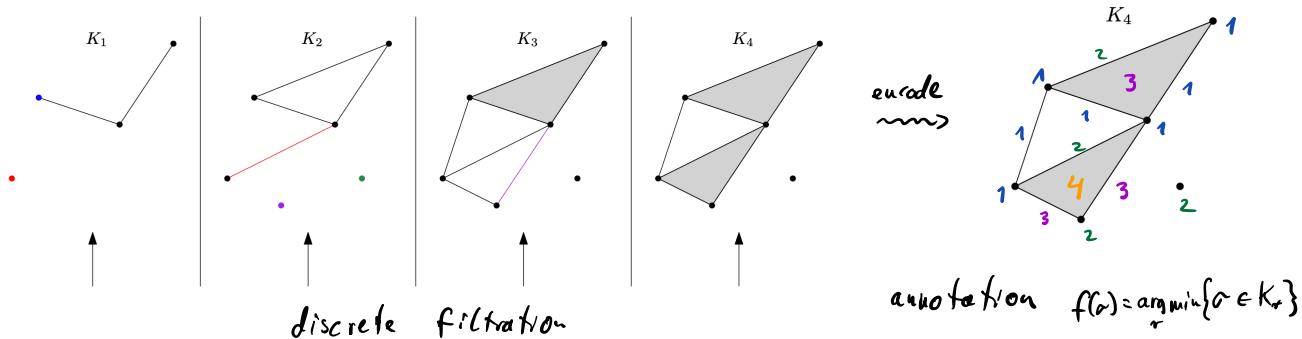
Def: A continuous filtration of a scx  $K$  is a collection of subcomplexes  $\{K_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  of  $K$ :

$$\forall r < g: K_r \subseteq K_g.$$

! To make life easier we assume:  $\forall r < k \quad \arg \min \{\alpha \in K_r\}$  exists.

Examples: Rips, Čech, Alpha, ...

$\alpha$  appears **AT** some scale, not **Beyond** some scale.  
(“closed” notation @ defns of cxos)



Def: Filtration function for scx  $K$ : map  $K \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\tau \leq \alpha \Rightarrow f(\tau) \leq f(\alpha)$ .

Sublevel filtration of  $f$ :  $\{f^{-1}([0, r])\}_{r \geq 0} \leftarrow$  continuous filtration

continuous filtration  $\xrightarrow[\text{sublevel filtr.}]{\text{annotation}}$  filtration function

Example: Filtration functions: Rips  $\rightsquigarrow$  diam

Čech  $\rightsquigarrow$  radius of smallest enclosing ball.

! Computation of Persistence is unhindered as it only requires the finitely many annotation values.

Example: [offsets] SC18^n finite

$\{\text{Čech}(S, r)\}_{r \geq 0} \cong \{N(S, r)\}_{r \geq 0}$  models growth of neighborhoods. The changes in homology can be computed & tracked by pers. hom.

Nerve THM

Def:  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ . Filtrations  $\{K_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{L_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  are  $\varepsilon$ -interleaved if

$\exists$  simplicial maps  $\varphi_r: K_r \rightarrow L_{r+\varepsilon}$   $\psi_r: L_r \rightarrow K_{r+\varepsilon}$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \rightarrow & K_r & \xrightarrow{\psi_r} & K_{r+\varepsilon} & \rightarrow & \dots \\ & & \searrow & & \swarrow & & \\ \dots & \rightarrow & L_r & \xrightarrow{\varphi_r} & L_{r+\varepsilon} & \rightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

Isomorphism = 0-interleaving.

Interleaving distance:  $\arg \inf_{\varepsilon} \left\{ \{K_r\}_{r \geq 0} \text{ and } \{L_r\}_{r \geq 0} \text{ } \varepsilon\text{-interleaved} \right\}$  ← actually  $\arg \min$  in our case

Max distance between filtration functions  $f, g$  on  $K$ :

$$\|f - g\|_\infty = \max_{\alpha \in K} |f(\alpha) - g(\alpha)|$$

↑ metric on equiv. classes  
of filtrations

Proposition: Sublevel filtrations of  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\|f - g\|_\infty$ -interleaved. ← for example  
cubical or of  
images

Proof:  $\varphi_r$  &  $\psi_r$  are identities on vertices.

Observe:  $\forall \alpha \in K: f(\alpha) \leq r \Rightarrow g(\alpha) \leq r + \varepsilon$  & vice versa

This concludes the proof.  $\blacksquare$

Also recall:  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}, Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_k\}, d(x_i, y_j) \leq \varepsilon$ . Then:

(1) Rips filtrations of  $X$  &  $Y$  are  $2\varepsilon$ -interleaved

(2) Čech filtrations of  $X$  &  $Y$  are  $\varepsilon$ -interleaved.

(2) Persistence modules: fix  $\mathbb{F}$  ← obtained from filtrations by applying homology

Def: A persistence module is a collection of finite-dimensional vector spaces  $\{V_r\}_{r \geq 0}$

along with linear maps  $h_{r,s}: V_r \rightarrow V_s, \forall r \leq s$ , such that

$$h_{r,r} = \text{id}_{V_r} \quad \text{and} \quad h_{s,t} \circ h_{r,s} = h_{r,t} \quad \forall r \leq s \leq t.$$

Scale  $r$  is regular if  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ ;  $h_{r,s}$  is an isomorphism,  $\forall q \leq s \in (r-\varepsilon, r+\varepsilon)$ .

Scale  $r$  is critical if it is not regular.

Additional assumptions:

- Eventually all  $h_{r,s}$  are isomorphisms:  $\exists R: \forall g \geq r \geq R \quad h_{r,g}$  is isomorphism
- $\forall r \geq 0 \exists r' > 0: \forall q \in [r, r') \quad h_{q,r}$  is isomorphism
- There are only finitely many critical scales

} hold for  
homology of  
our filtrations

Def:  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ . Persis. modules  $\{V_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{W_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  are  $\varepsilon$ -interleaved if

$\exists$  Linear maps  $\varphi_r: V_r \rightarrow W_{r+\varepsilon}$ ,  $\psi_r: W_r \rightarrow V_{r+\varepsilon}$  such that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \rightarrow & V_r & \xrightarrow{\psi_r} & V_{r+\varepsilon} & \rightarrow & V_{r+2\varepsilon} \rightarrow \dots \\ & & \searrow & & \swarrow & & \swarrow \\ \dots & \rightarrow & W_r & \xrightarrow{\varphi_r} & W_{r+\varepsilon} & \rightarrow & W_{r+2\varepsilon} \rightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

Def: Persistence modules  $\{V_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{W_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  are isomorphic, if they are  $0$ -interleaved!

$\exists$  isomorphisms  $V_r \xrightarrow{\cong} W_r$  commuting with the maps  $h: \dots \rightarrow V_r \xrightarrow{h^*} V_s \rightarrow \dots$   
 $\cong \downarrow \quad \cong \downarrow$   
 $\dots \rightarrow W_r \xrightarrow{h^*} W_s \rightarrow \dots$

Interleaving distance:  $\arg \inf_{\varepsilon} \left\{ \{V_r\}_{r \geq 0} \text{ and } \{W_r\}_{r \geq 0} \text{ are } \varepsilon\text{-interleaved} \right\}$

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Observations:  $\varepsilon$ -interleaved filtrations  $\xrightarrow{\text{induce}} \varepsilon$ -interleaved p. modules.

Barcodes are "horizontal decomposition" of pers. modules. Let us formalize it:

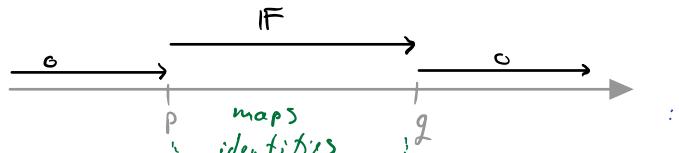
Def: The direct sum of persistence modules  $\{V_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{W_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  is a persist. module  $\{V_r \oplus W_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  with bonding maps  $h \oplus k$ .

Def:  $0 \leq p < q$ . Interval module  $\mathbb{IF}_{p,q}$  is a persist. module  $\{V_r\}_{r \geq 0}$  with

$$V_r = \mathbb{IF} \text{ if } r \in [p, q)$$

$$V_r = 0 \text{ if } r \notin [p, q)$$

bonding maps are isomorphisms whenever possible



Theorem: [Structure theorem for persistent homology] Each persistence module is isomorphic to a (finite) direct sum of interval modules. The decomposition is unique up to permutation of the intervals.

Example: Interleaving distance between interval modules =  $d_\infty$  between pos.

Barcode decomposition  
formally

Are there interleavings on p. modules not arising from interleav. of filtrations?  
Yes! By "similar spaces". Let's explain it.

Def:  $X$  a metric space,  $A, B \subseteq X$  finite subspaces.

$$\text{Hausdorff distance } d_X(A, B) = \max \left\{ \max_{a \in A} \min_{b \in B} d(a, b), \max_{b \in B} \min_{a \in A} d(a, b) \right\}$$

is a metric on finite subsets of  $X$ .

Def:  $A, B$  finite metric spaces.

$$\text{Gromov-Hausdorff distance } d_{GH}(A, B) = \inf_{\substack{\nu: A \hookrightarrow X, \mu: B \hookrightarrow X \\ \text{isometric embeddings}}} d_H(\nu(A), \mu(B))$$

is a metric on isometry classes of finite metric spaces.  
 $\inf$  always attained.

$$\underline{\text{Proposition:}} \quad d_{GH} \leq d_H$$

Proposition:  $\varepsilon > 0$ ;  $A, B$  finite metric spaces,  $d_{GH}(A, B) \leq \varepsilon$ ,  $g \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$ . Then:

(a)  $\{H_g(\text{Rips}(A, r); \mathbb{F})\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{H_g(\text{Rips}(B, r); \mathbb{F})\}_{r \geq 0}$  are  $2\varepsilon$ -interleaved.

(b)  $\{H_g(\bar{\text{Cech}}(A, r); \mathbb{F})\}_{r \geq 0}$  and  $\{H_g(\bar{\text{Cech}}(B, r); \mathbb{F})\}_{r \geq 0}$  are  $\varepsilon$ -interleaved.

Proof: [for Rips,  $g=1$ ]

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1(\text{Rips}(A, r); \mathbb{F}) & \xrightarrow{p_r} & H_1(\text{Rips}(B, r+2\varepsilon); \mathbb{F}) \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ H_1(\text{Rips}(B, r); \mathbb{F}) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_1(\text{Rips}(A, r+2\varepsilon); \mathbb{F}) \end{array}$$

Assume  $A, B \subseteq X$  by def.

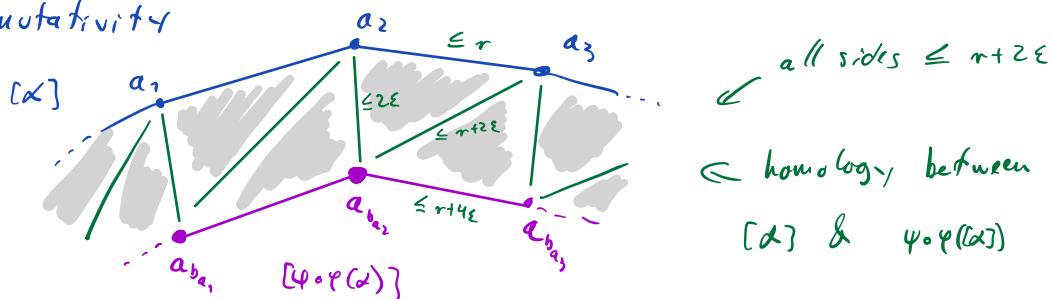
Fact choose  $b_a \in B$ :  $d(a, b_a) \leq \varepsilon$ .  $\forall b \in B$  choose  $a_b \in A$ :  $d(a, b) \leq \varepsilon$

Take cycle  $\alpha = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle + \langle a_2, a_3 \rangle + \dots + \langle a_k, a_1 \rangle$

Def  $\psi_r([\alpha]) = [\langle b_{a_1}, b_{a_2} \rangle + \dots + \langle b_{a_n}, b_{a_1} \rangle]$ .  $\Leftarrow$  turns out to be a well-defined lin. map.

$$\psi_r([\langle b_1, b_2 \rangle + \dots + \langle b_m, b_1 \rangle]) = [\langle a_{b_1}, a_{b_2} \rangle + \dots + \langle a_{b_m}, a_{b_1} \rangle] \quad \curvearrowright$$

Commutativity

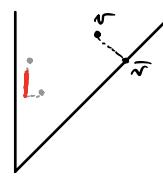


all sides  $\leq r+2\varepsilon$   
 $\Leftarrow$  homology between  
 $[\alpha]$  &  $\psi_r([\alpha])$

③ Bottleneck distance: a metric on persistence diagrams.

For  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  define:  $d_\infty((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) = \max\{|x_1 - x_2|, |y_1 - y_2|\}$

$$\overline{(x_1, y_1)} = \left(\frac{x_1 + y_1}{2}, \frac{x_1 + y_1}{2}\right)$$



Assume  $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$  and  $B = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  are persistence diagrams.

$a_i, b_i$  pts in  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; y > x \geq 0\}$ , appearing possibly with repetitions in  $\partial B$ .

Def: A partial matching between  $A$  and  $B$  is a bijective map

$$\varphi: A' \rightarrow B' \quad \text{for some } A' \subseteq A, B' \subseteq B.$$

The matching distance of  $\varphi$  is

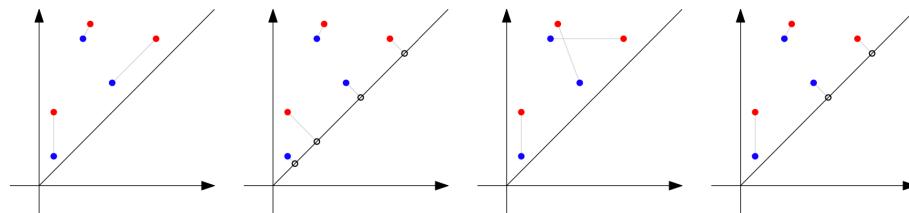
$$d_m(\varphi) = \max \left\{ \max_{v \in A'} \{d_\infty(v, \varphi(v))\}, \max_{v \in A \setminus A'} \{d_\infty(v, \bar{v})\}, \max_{v \in B \setminus B'} \{d_\infty(v, \bar{v})\} \right\}$$

Let  $\mu(A, B)$  be the collection of partial matchings  $A$  to  $B$ .

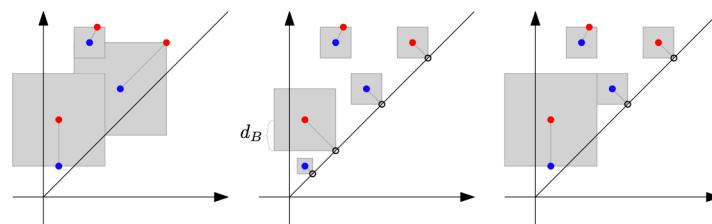
The Bottleneck distance is defined as

$$d_B(A, B) = \min_{\varphi \in \mu(A, B)} d_m(\varphi)$$

partial  
matchings

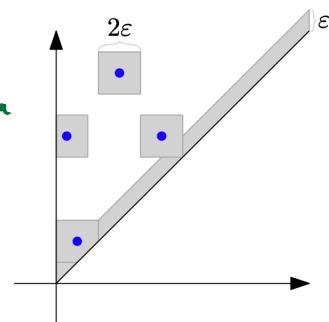


Bottleneck  
distance

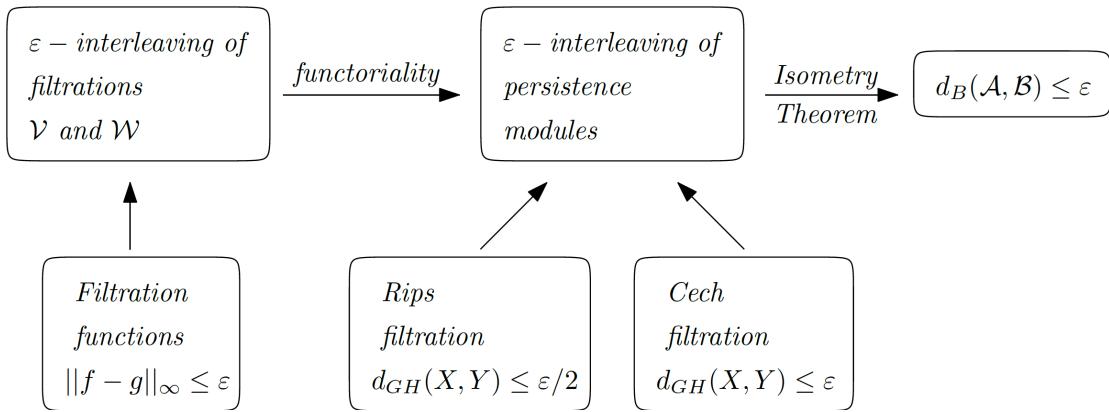


Isometry Theorem: The interleaving distance between persistence modules EQUALS the bottleneck distance between persistence diagrams.

algebra  
visualisation



## // Stability Theorem:



Alternative metric (sensitive to more changes):

Wasserstein distance:

let  $p > 1$

The  $p$ -matching distance of  $\varphi$  is

$$d_m^p(\varphi) = \sum_{v \in \mathcal{A}'} \{d_\alpha(v, \varphi(v)) + \sum_{\bar{v} \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}'} \{d_\alpha(v, \bar{v})\} + \sum_{v \in \mathcal{B} \setminus \mathcal{B}'} d_\alpha(v, \bar{v})\}$$

The  $p$ -Wasserstein distance is defined as

$$W_p(A, B) = \min_{\varphi \in \mu(A, B)} d_m^p(\varphi)$$

$W_p$  is also stable under certain conditions.

!!critical sets not stable!!