Information Maximizing Persistent Homology

Accurate Fisher forecasts for persistent summaries.



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 - It is a geometric way to organise information from higher order correlations.
 - Does it give better constraints for the cosmological and PNG parameters?

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- Differentiability of persistence homology allows us to employ gradient descent based methods. Can we find the optimal choices by maximizing the Fisher information of the resultant persistent summaries?

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Persistent Homology 101

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Multicale decomposition of clusters, loops and voids.

Introduction to Persistent Homology Topology and Homology



topologically equivalent



not topologically equivalent





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Introduction to Persistent Homology Topological Data Analysis

- Compute the shape of discrete data via its multiscale topology clusters, loops and voids.
- Offers a flexible that can also encode local density and knn statistics.
- Applications
 - Sensor networks, image processing, genomics, protein structure, neuroscience, physics and now to study large language models.

Introduction to Persistent Homology Homology of a point cloud



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imagine a ball of radius ν , when balls touch simplices are added to the complex



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 $b_0 = 1$ $b_1 = 7$

$\nu = 10$ Length scale parameter

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The DTM function A filtration robust to outliers

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Introduce a Distance-To-Measure function

$$DTM(x) = \left(\frac{1}{k}\sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} x - x_i\right)$$

k : # of nearest neighbours $N_k(x)$: the set of *k*-nearest neighbours of *x* p: a mixing parameter (e.g. p = 2)

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A filtration function takes assigns a real number to each point in the point cloud.

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Anai, Chazal, Glisse, Ike, Inakoshi, Tinarrage, Umeda (2018)



Introduction to Persistent Homology **Tracking persistent features**



We can then draw a persistence diagram, $\nu_{\text{persist}} = \nu_{\text{death}} - \nu_{\text{birth}}$, as a function of ν_{birth}

Summarising persistence diagrams Histograms

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ID	Dimension		\square	-	\square
1	0		0		0.5
2	0		0		0.707
3	0		0		1
100	0		0		inf
101	1		8.732		8.733
178	1		7.632		12.029
179	1	,	8.485		12.889
180	1		6.718	/	2.905
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Implementation Details

- Dataset Quijote simulations
- Filtration AlphaDTM filtration for k = (1, 5, 15, 30, 60, 100).
- Vectorization Histogram of counts.



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- The parameter degeneracies for our statistic are in directions fairly different from those for the joint power spectrum and bispectrum statistic







Fisher contours for PNG amplitudes



- Tighter constraints for equilateral and orthogonal PNG.
- Local PNG better constrained by joint power spectrum and bispectrum since most of the information is in the larger scale and not many cycles persist in the large scales.



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- Histogram of counts to summarise the resulting persistence diagrams.
- These were empirical choice. Can we come up with a more versatile way of deciding on the filtration and vectorization?
- The resulting summaries can then be used as a part of an inference pipeline.

Before checking this on DM halo simulations, we try our method on a simpler example - the noisy circle.

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Can we learn an optimal filtration function that optimises the Fisher Information?



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- To summarise the persistence diagram
 - We compress summaries using MOPED and IMNN that give more accurate and trustable estimates.
 - Uncompressed summaries overestimate the Fisher information due to imprecise derivatives and presence of high dimensional non-Gaussianity.



Point cloud







Point cloud





The distance to measure function







Point cloud





Untrained filtration function







-0.450







Point cloud





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The distance to measure function

Trained filtration function























Information Maximizing Persistent Homology **Proof of concept using galaxy catalogs** To appear- with Biagetti,

Sancho galaxy catalogs developed by Biagetti et. al.



Yip, van der Schaar, et. al.





Conclusion and Outlook

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Persistent Homology combined with Power spectrum and Bispectrum gives

Conclusion and Outlook

- Persistent Homology combined with Power spectrum and Bispectrum gives more constrained contours.
- Can we further improve these contours by using the IMPH -
 - Is there an information maximizing filtration?
 - Can other persistence summaries give more information?
 - Why are parameter degeneracies for PH statistics different from combined power spectrum and bispectrum statistics?
 - Coming soon in our next paper.



