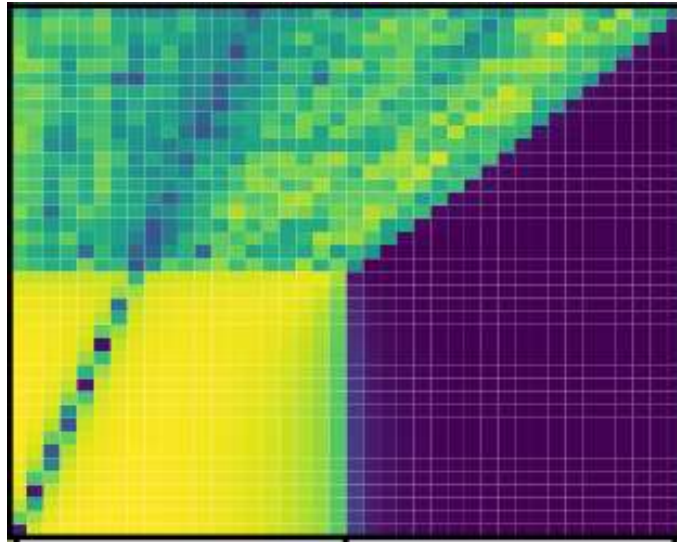


Persistent homology analysis of phase transitions



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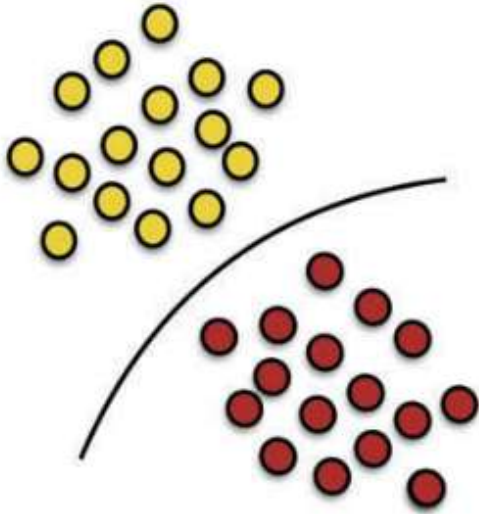
Outline

1. Introduction: machine learning for condensed matter physics
2. Topological data analysis and persistent homology
3. Persistent homology analysis of localisation transitions
4. Summary and outlook

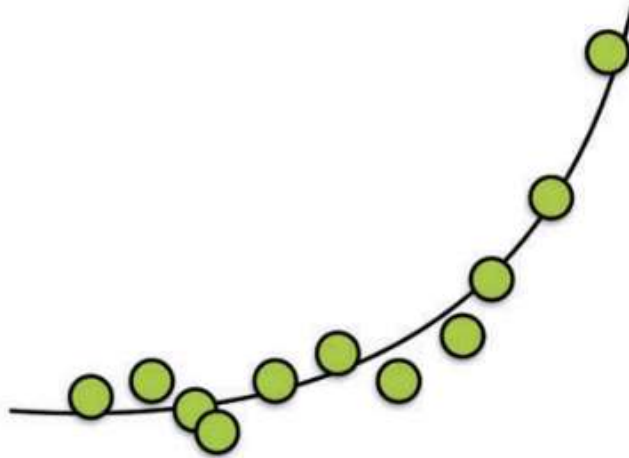
What is machine learning?

Algorithms that build models **using data** to perform tasks such as:

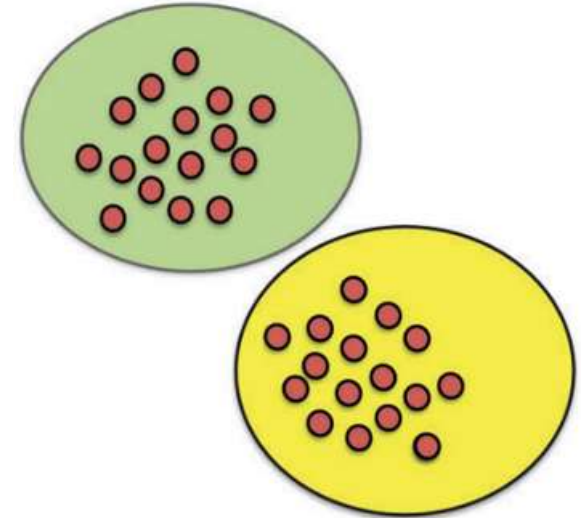
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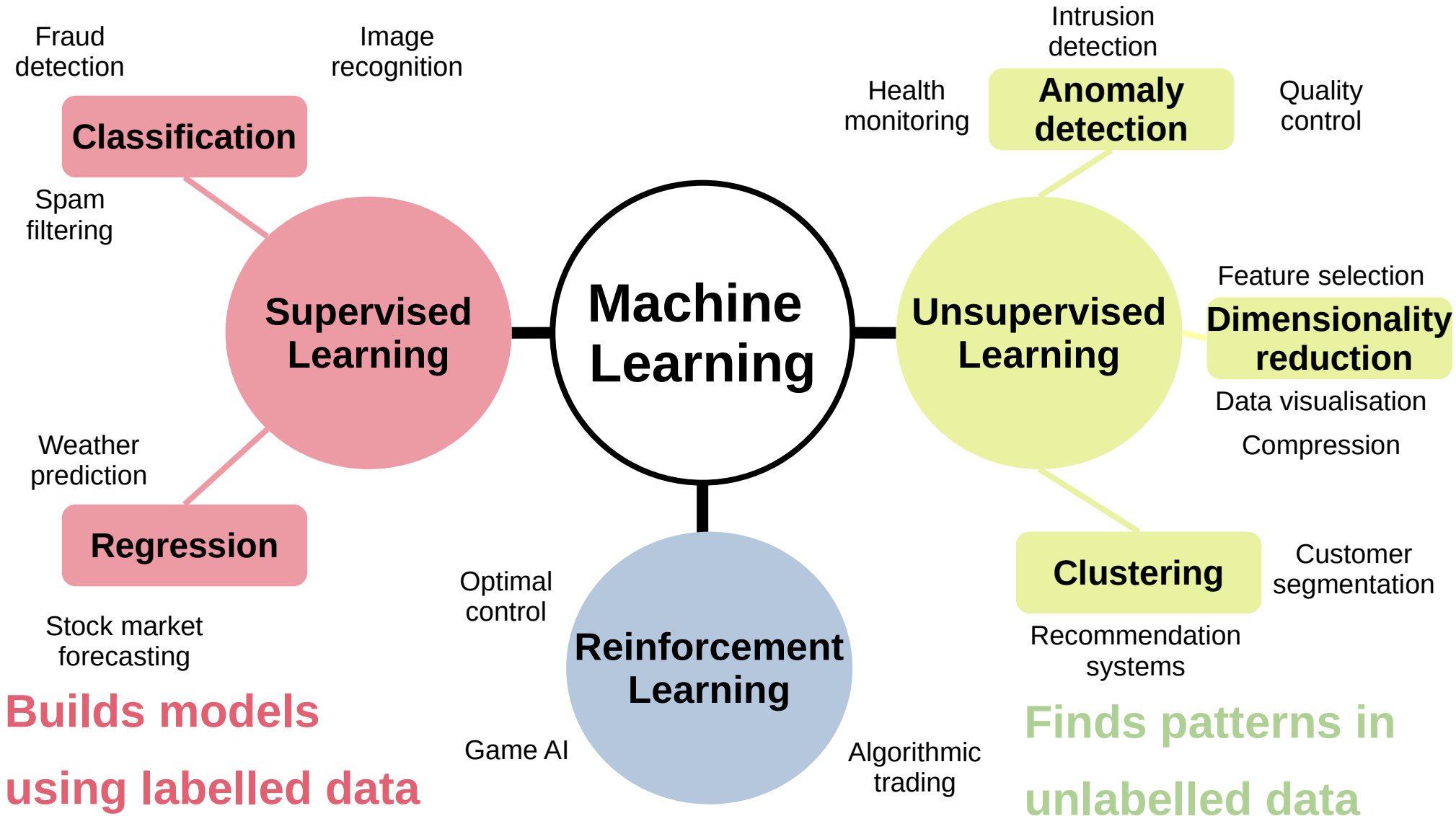


Regression



Clustering





**Builds models
using labelled data**

**Finds patterns in
unlabelled data**

Clustering algorithms

Group unlabelled data into different classes

Example: k-means algorithm

1. Randomly set k cluster centres $m_j^{(0)}$

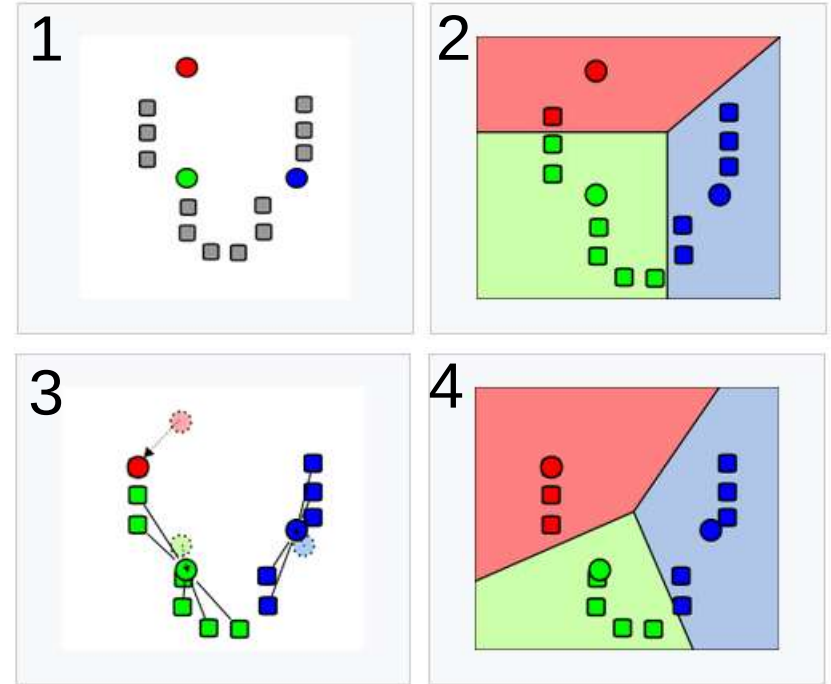
2. Assign points x_p to nearest centre

$$S_i^{(t)} = \left\{ x_p : \|x_p - m_i^{(t)}\|^2 \leq \|x_p - m_j^{(t)}\|^2 \forall j, 1 \leq j \leq k \right\},$$

3. Cluster centroids \rightarrow new centres

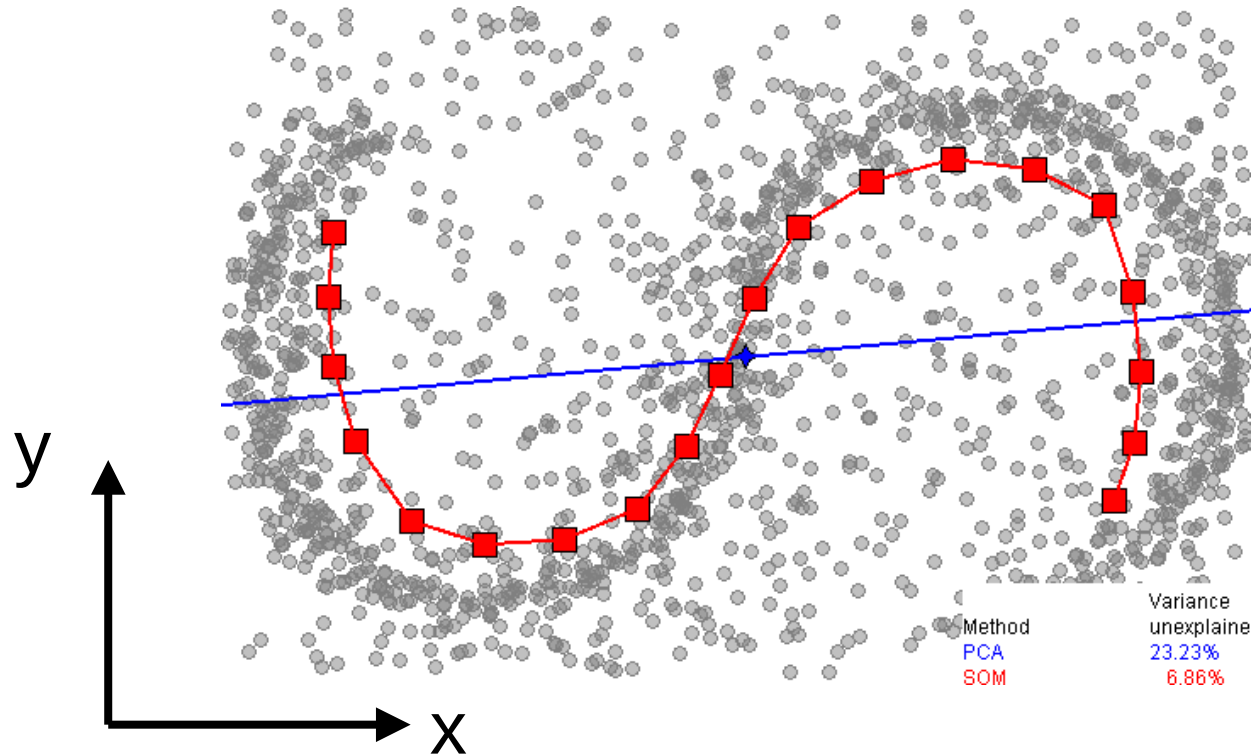
$$m_i^{(t+1)} = \frac{1}{|S_i^{(t)}|} \sum_{x_j \in S_i^{(t)}} x_j$$

4. Repeat 2 & 3 until convergence



Dimensionality reduction

Obtain faithful lower-dimensional representations of the data



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Identifying topological order through unsupervised machine learning

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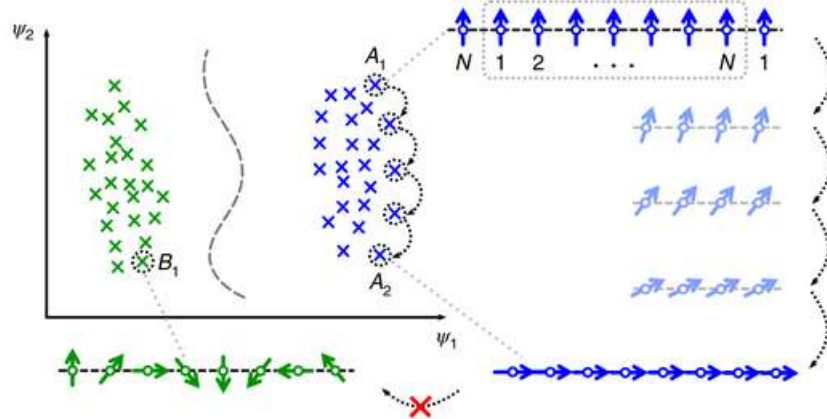


Fig. 1 | Topological classification using sample connectivity. Shown are samples of N classical XY spins, with periodic boundary conditions and winding numbers $\nu = 0, 1$, projected on a two-dimensional (2D) feature space $\psi_{1,2}$. A diffusion map clusters samples that are connected via continuous deformations, such as A_1 and A_2 , but not A_1 and B_1 .

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Unsupervised Machine Learning and Band Topology

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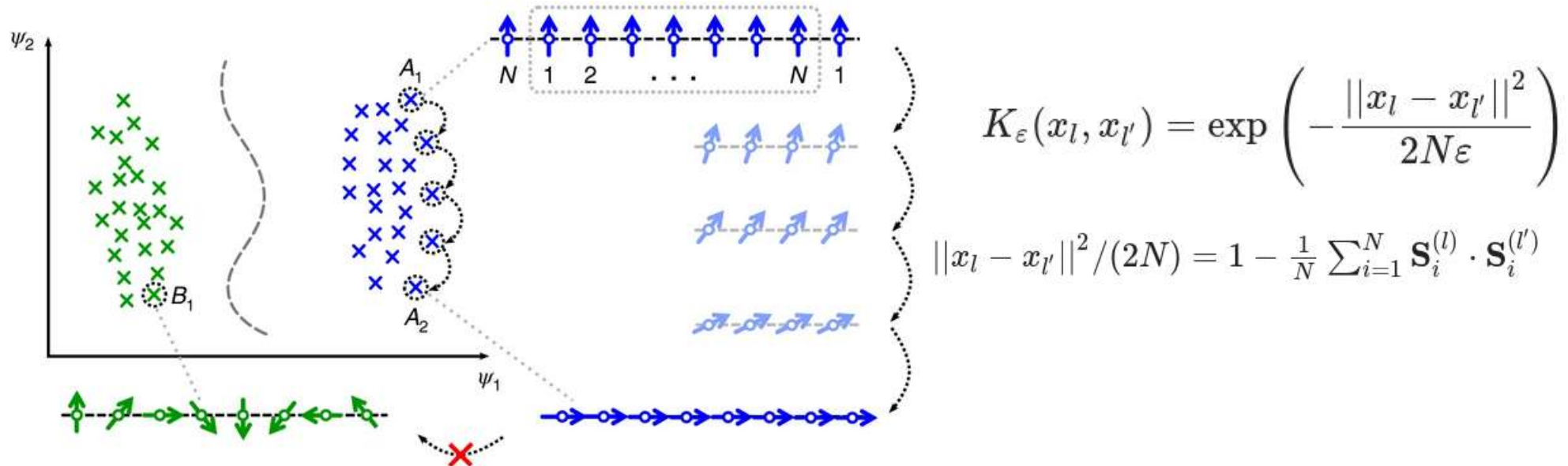
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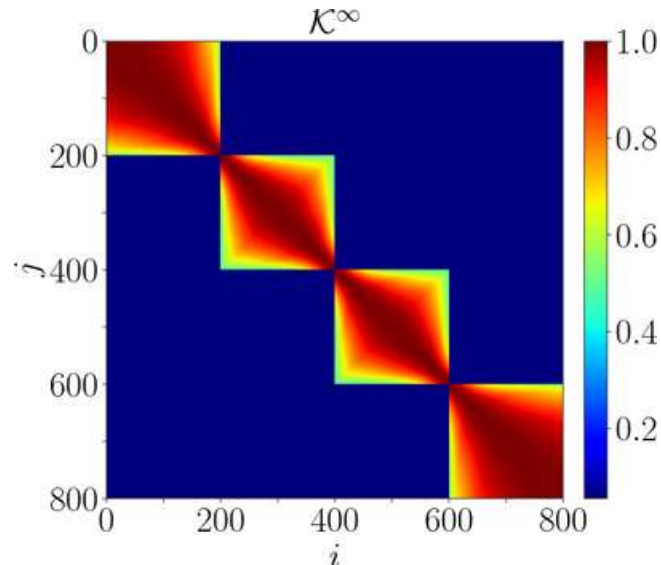
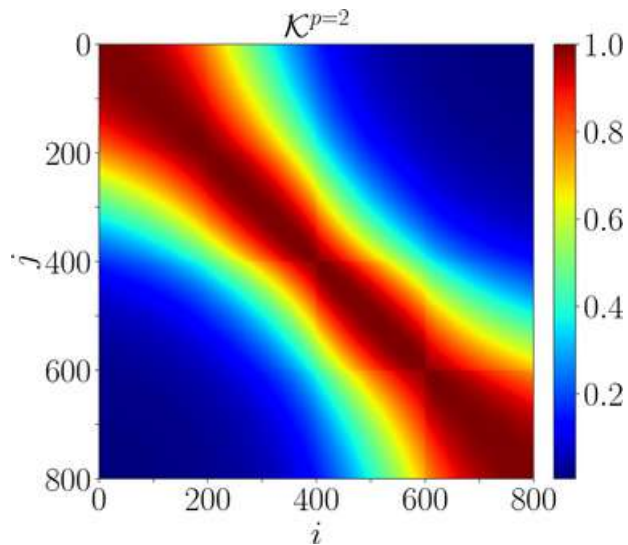
Unsupervised learning of (topological) phases

1. Obtain input data (e.g. eigenstates, Hamiltonians, wavefunctions)
2. Compute similarity between data points using **appropriate distance metric**
3. Apply dimensionality reduction to identify key data features
4. Perform k-means clustering on the reduced data



The metric matters

- 2D Chern insulator model, each data vector \mathbf{x}_i constructed from band eigenstates
- Model parameters varied to sample from different topological phases
- Euclidean distance not sensitive to phase boundaries
- Chebyshev distance gives sharp separation between phases



Euclidean distance

$$\mathcal{K}_{ij}^{p=2} = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|_{\mathbb{L}^2}^2}{4\epsilon(N+1)^{2D}}\right)$$

Chebyshev distance

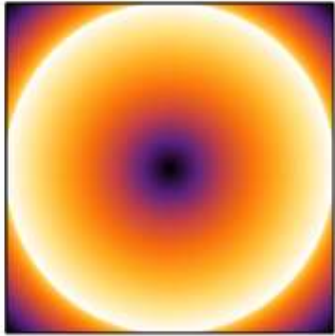
$$\mathcal{K}_{ij}^{\infty} = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|_{\mathbb{L}^{\infty}}^2}{4\epsilon}\right)$$

Problem: curse of dimensionality

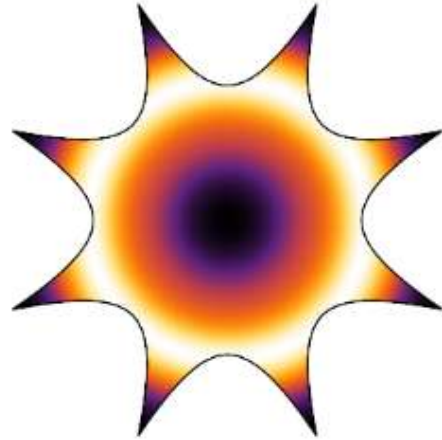
- **Concentration of scores and distances:** distances become numerically similar
- **Irrelevant attributes:** a significant number of attributes may be irrelevant
- **Exponential search space:** the space can no longer be systematically scanned
- **Data snooping bias:** for every desired significance a hypothesis can be found
- **Hubness:** certain states occur more frequently in neighbour lists than others

Projections of d-dimensional hypercubes

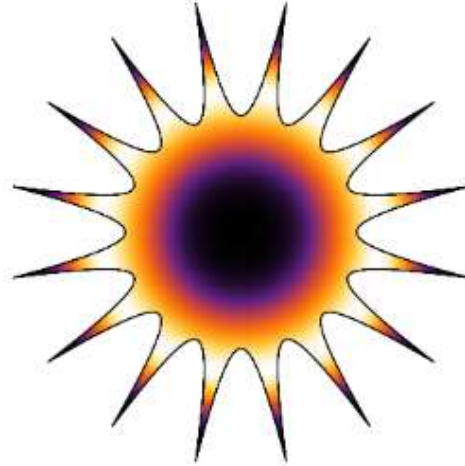
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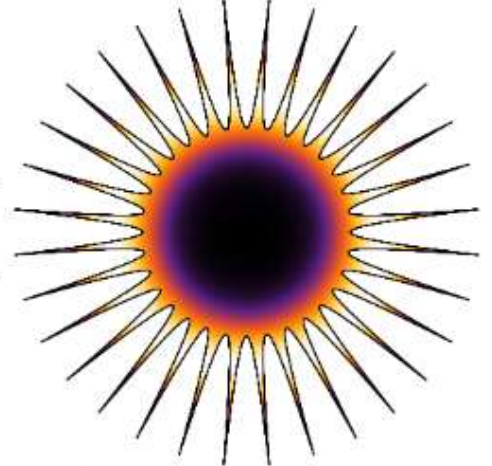
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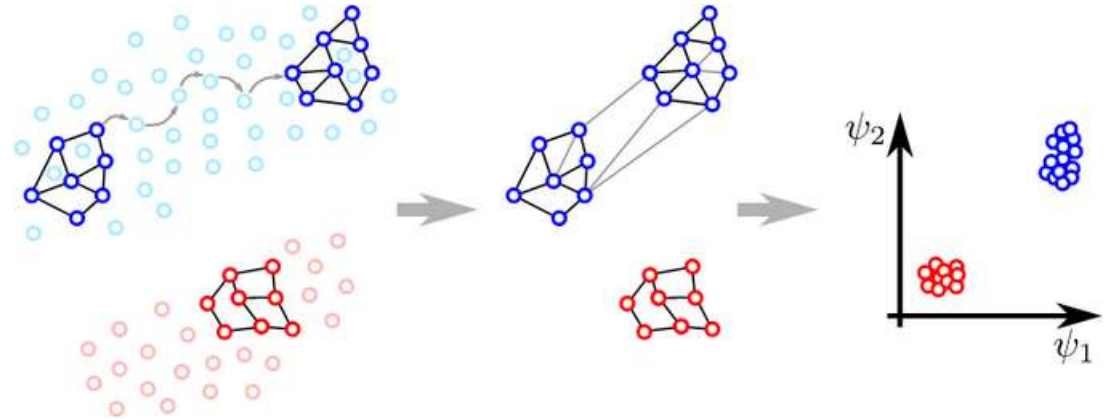
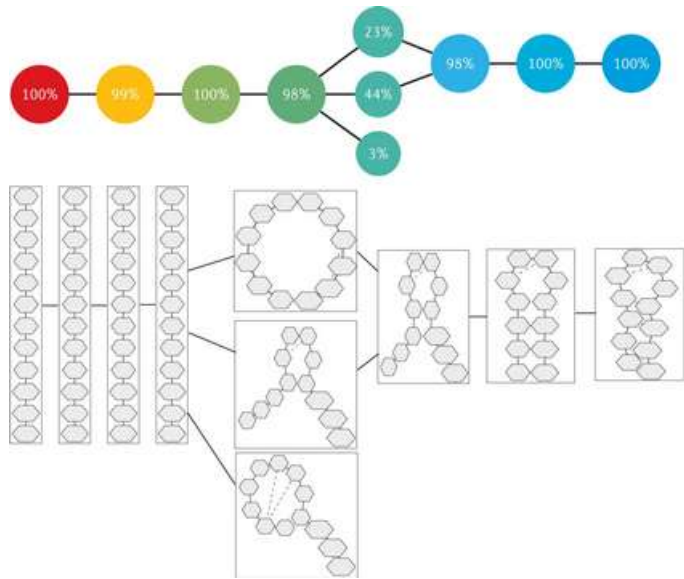
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“In high dimensions, even simple compact objects present tendrill-, or tentacle-like regions that extend very far but get very thin. Yet, somewhat counter-intuitively, most of the volume of high-dimensional objects is contained in these extended objects! As the dimensionality of space increases, the intersection between the hypercube and the hypersphere becomes very small.”

Topological methods for machine learning

- Identify data features (e.g. cycles) missed by standard methods
- Intrinsic robustness to noise, deformations
- Better-suited for sparse data in high-dimensional spaces



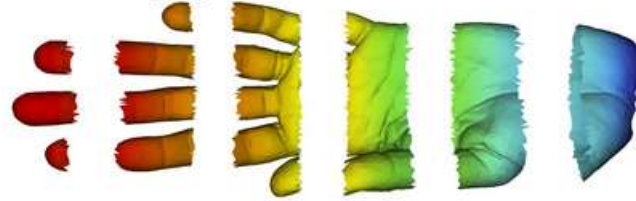
Topological data analysis

- Represents data as (families of) graphs & simplicial complexes
- Quantifies “shape” using graph topological invariants

A Original Point Cloud



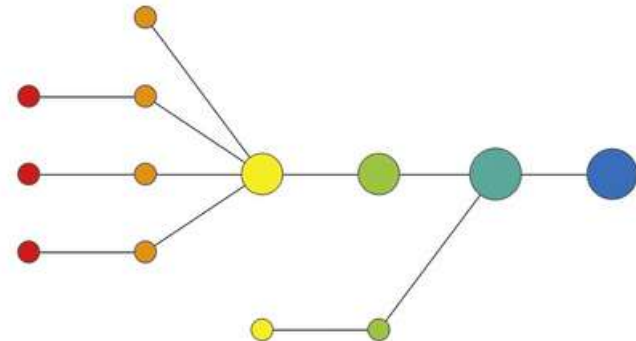
C Binning by filter value



B Coloring by filter value



D Clustering and network construction



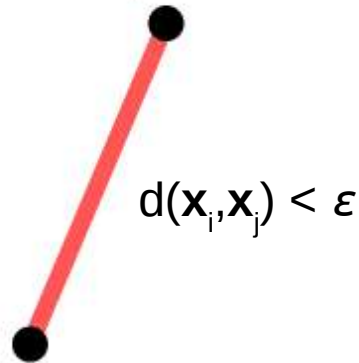
Graphs and simplicial complices

- Graph: vertices connected by edges
- Simplicial complex: higher dimensional generalization
- Simplicial complex constructed from points using distance measure d

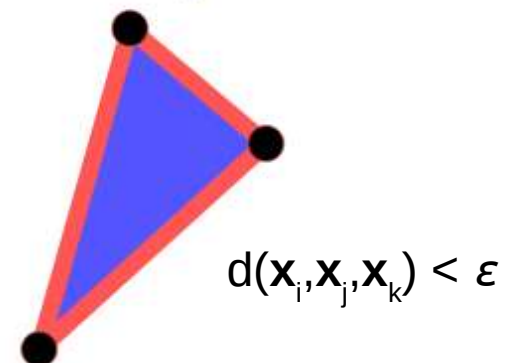
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1-simplex



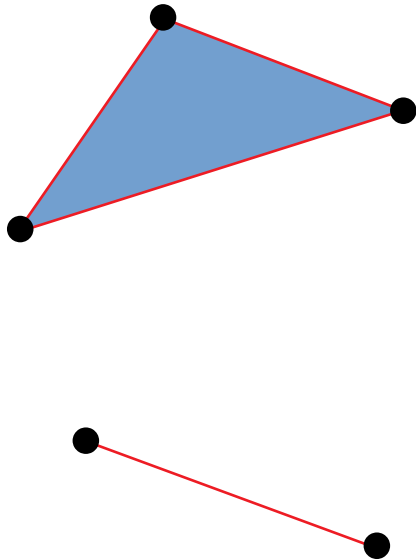
2-simplex



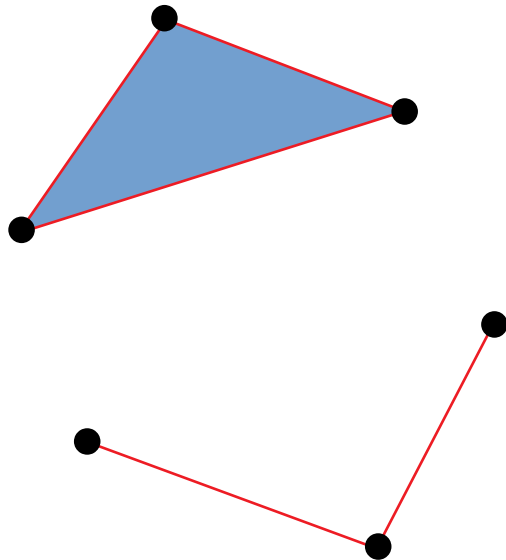
Topological invariants: Betti numbers

- kth Betti number B_k = number of k-dimensional cycles
- B_0 = number of disconnected components

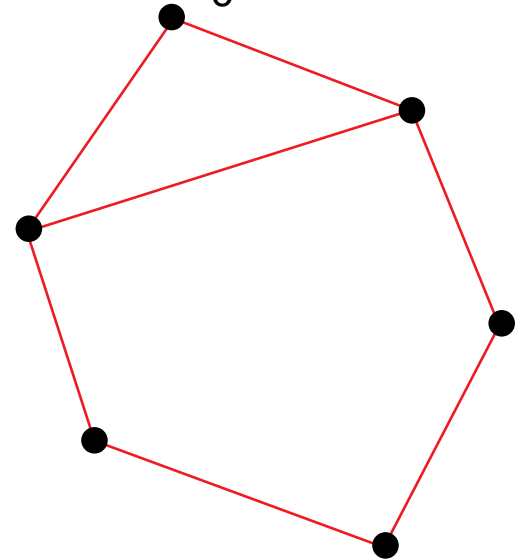
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$B_0 = 2$

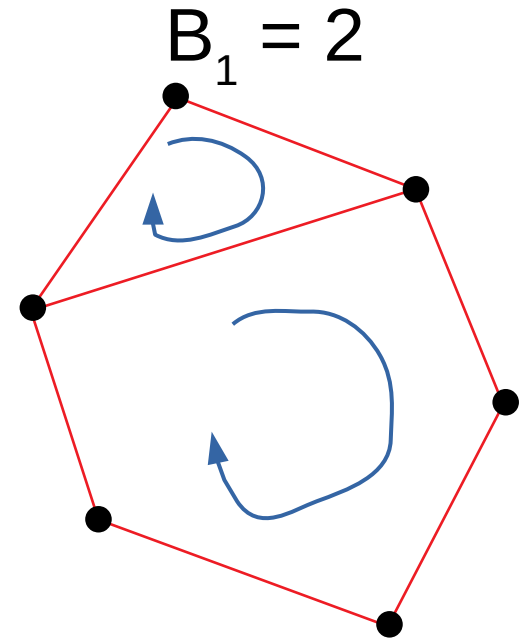
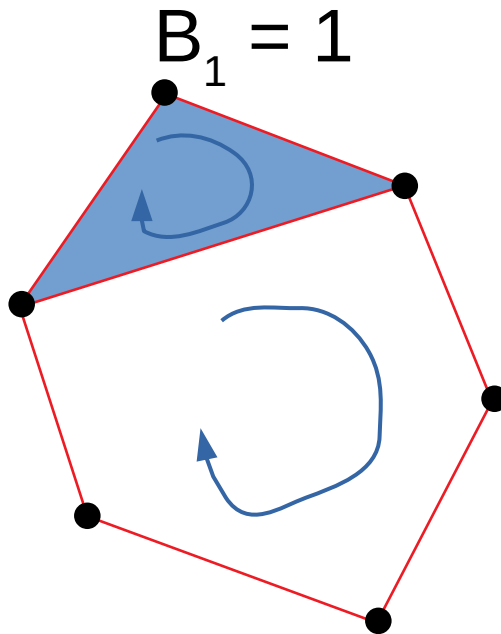
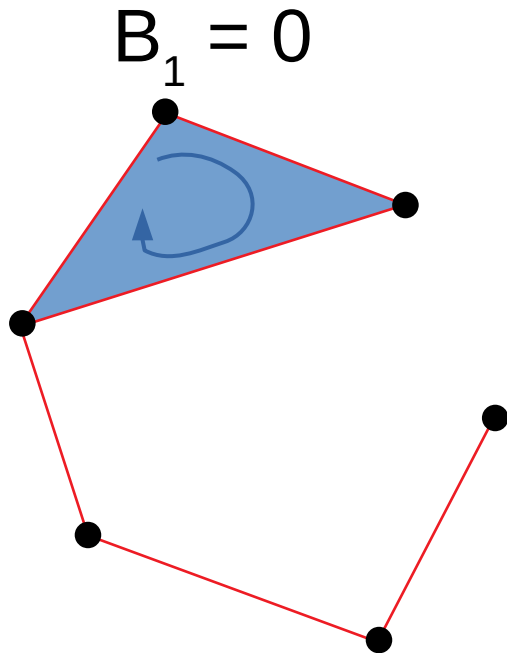


$B_0 = 1$



Topological invariants: Betti numbers

- kth Betti number B_k = number of k-dimensional cycles
- B_1 = number of non-contractible loops



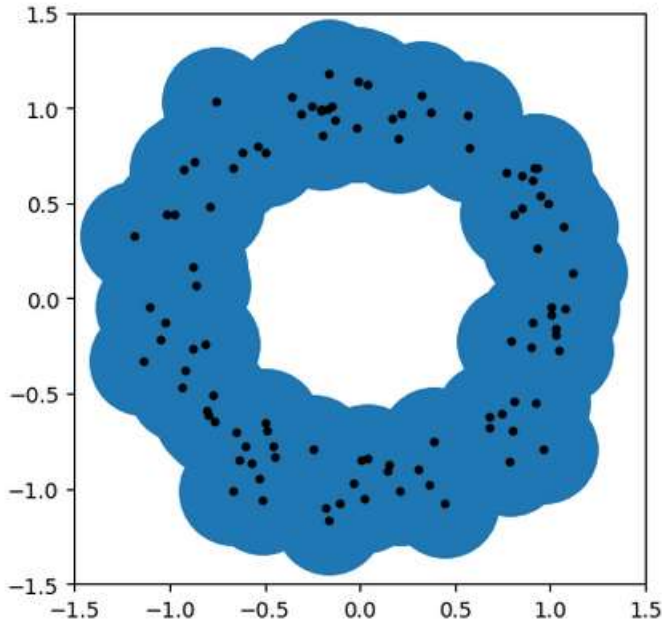
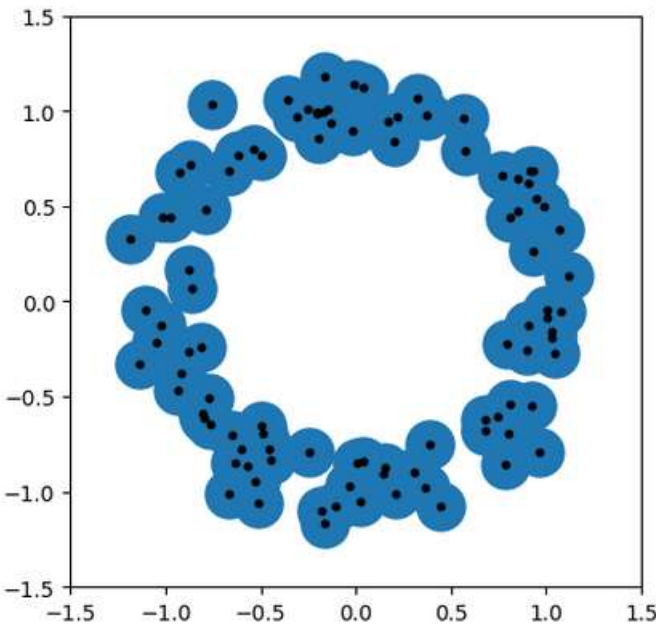
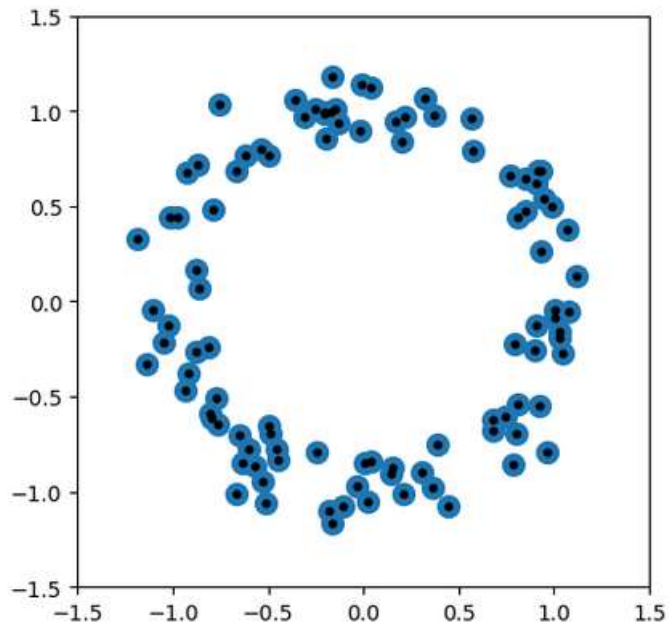
Shape depends on scale

Solution: study topology over a range of spatial scales

Isolated clusters

Clusters merging

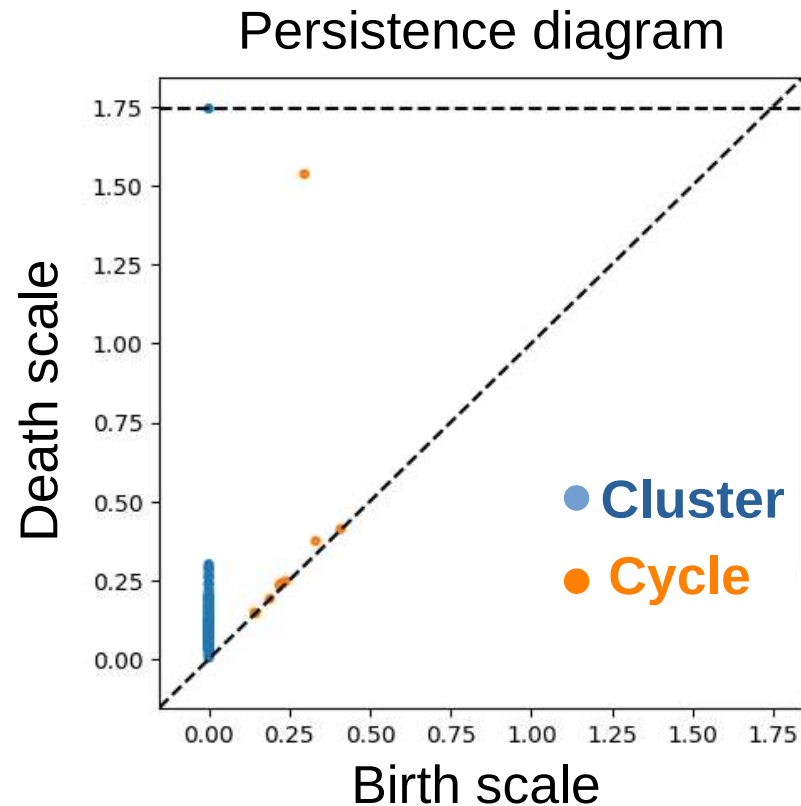
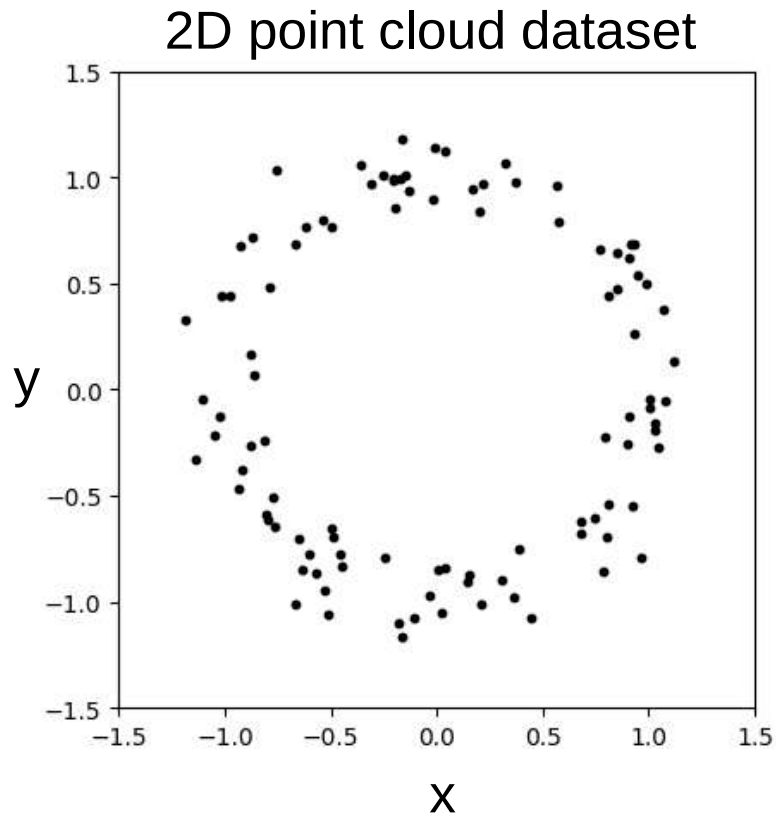
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Increasing characteristic distance scale ϵ

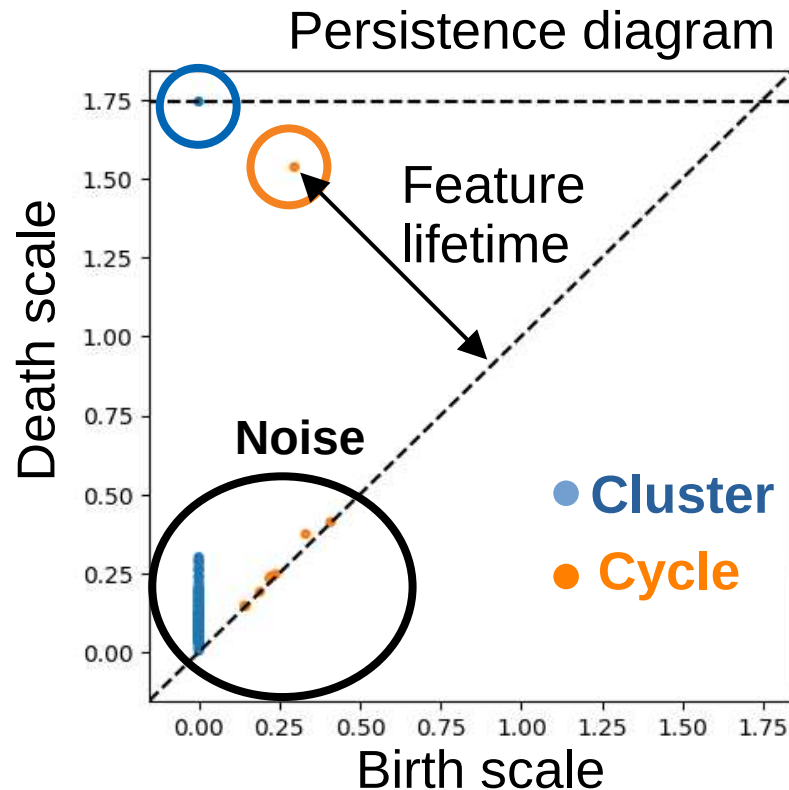
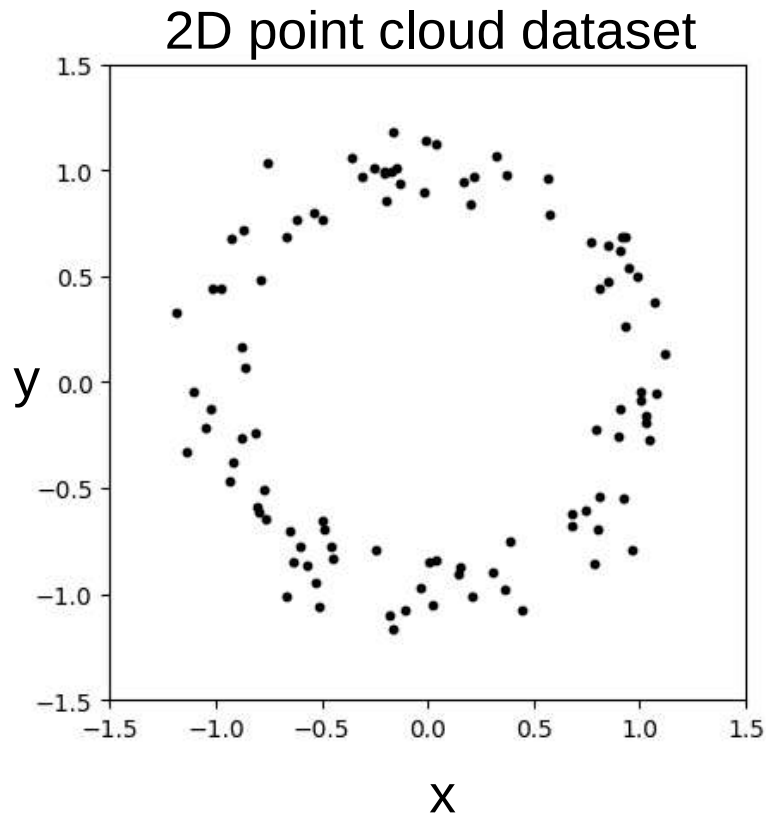
Persistence diagrams

Show scales at which features are created and destroyed



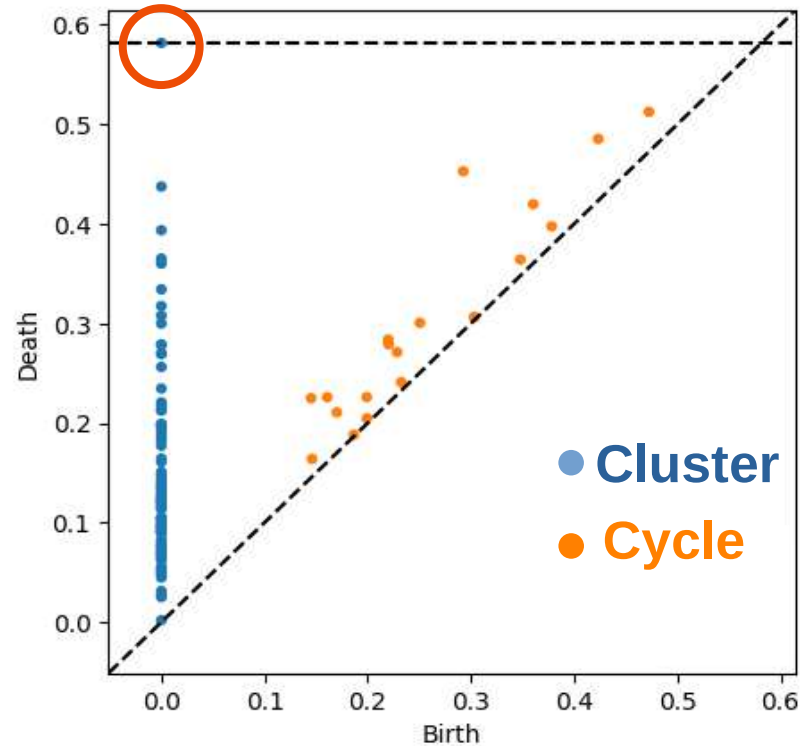
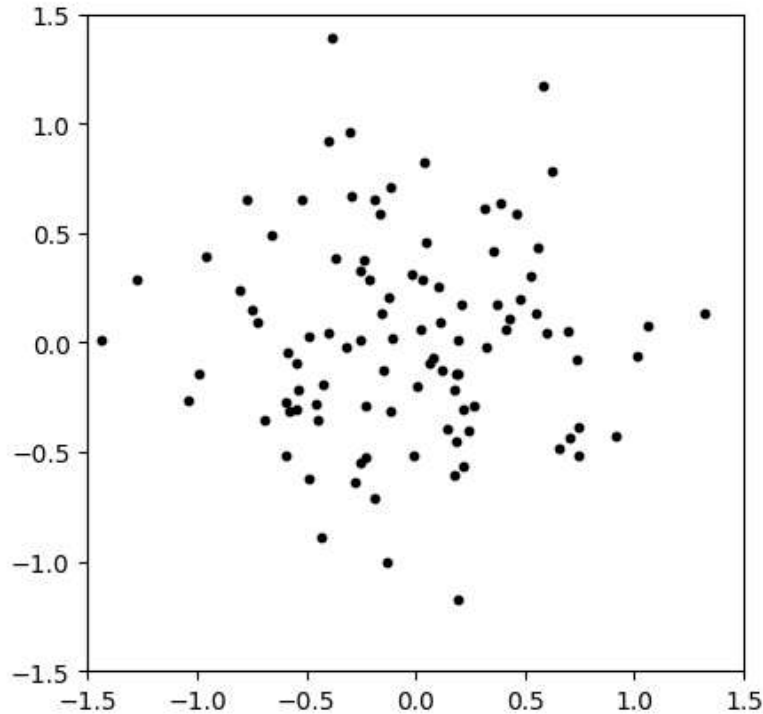
Persistence diagrams

- Low persistence features (near diagonal) sensitive to noise
- High persistence features are robust, reveal shape of data



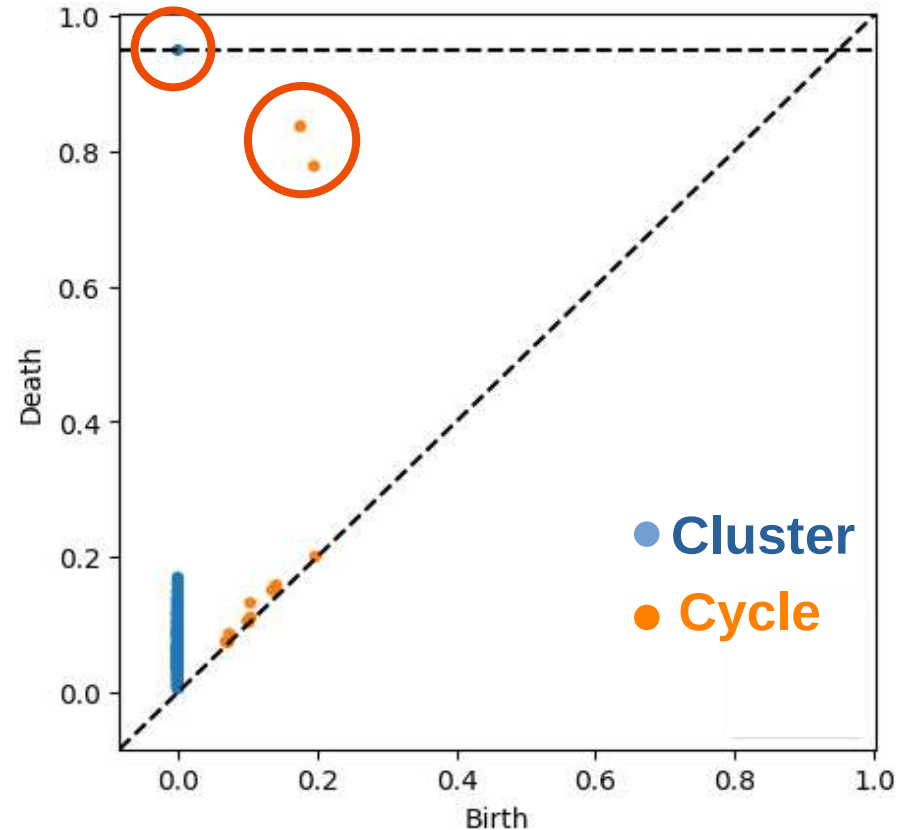
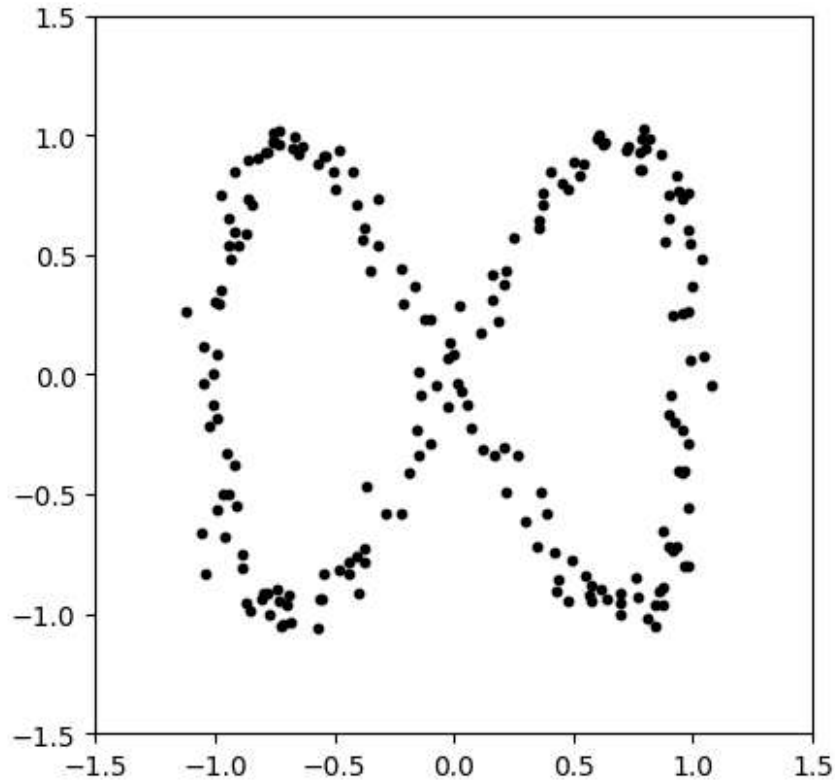
Persistence diagrams: examples

- Loops have low persistence, sensitive to noise
- Single high persistence connected component



Persistence diagrams: examples

High persistence features: single cluster forming two loops



Applications of persistent homology to physics

- Detecting phase transitions
- Classifying quantum entanglement
- Characterising nonlinear dynamics

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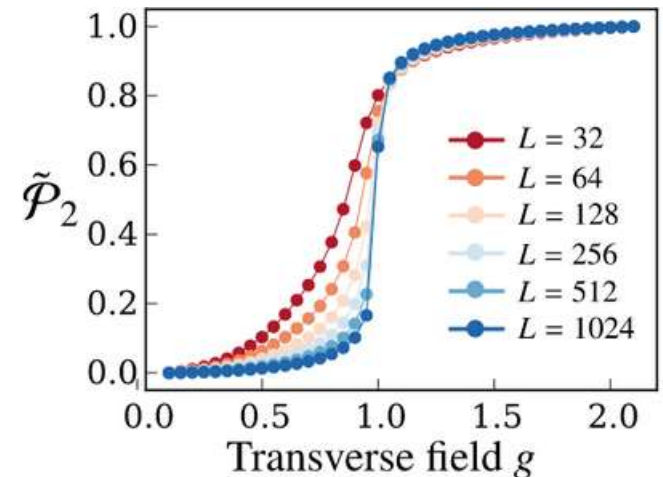
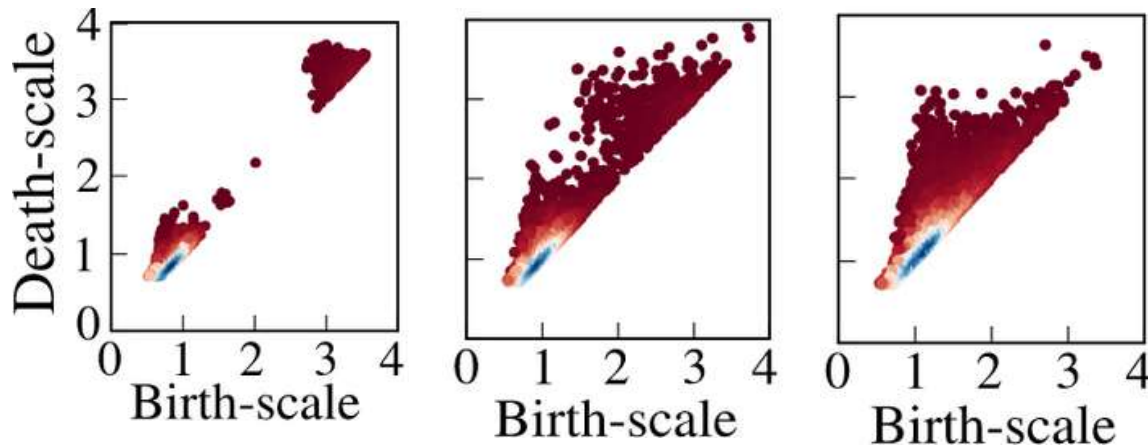
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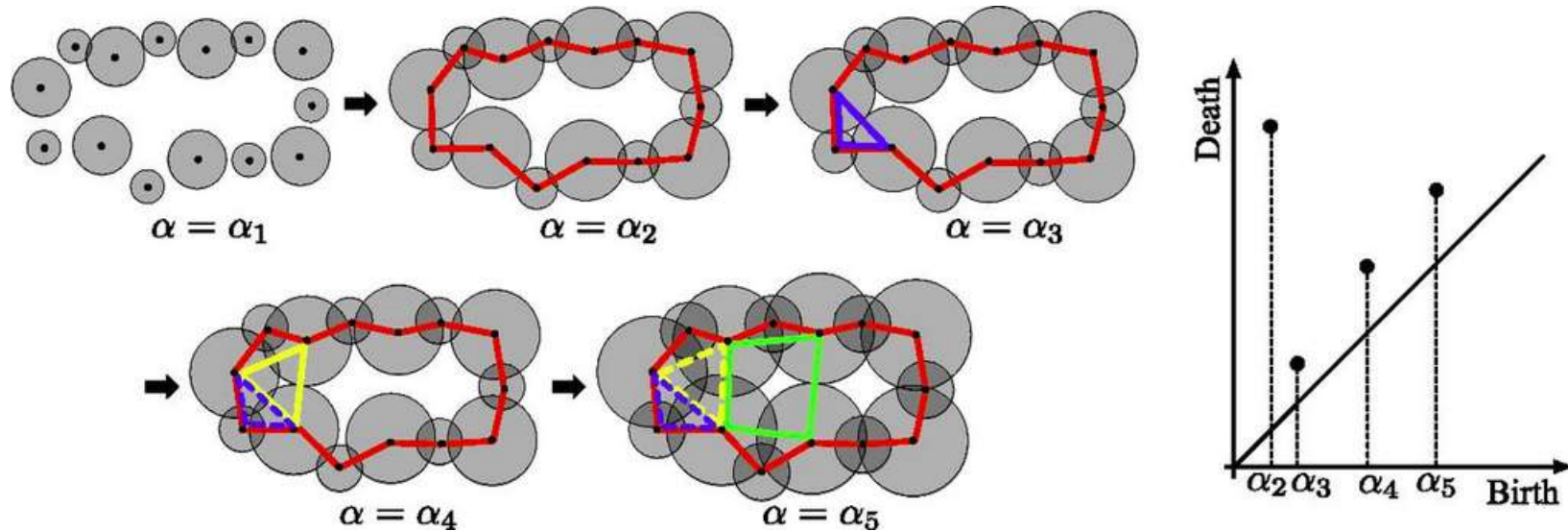
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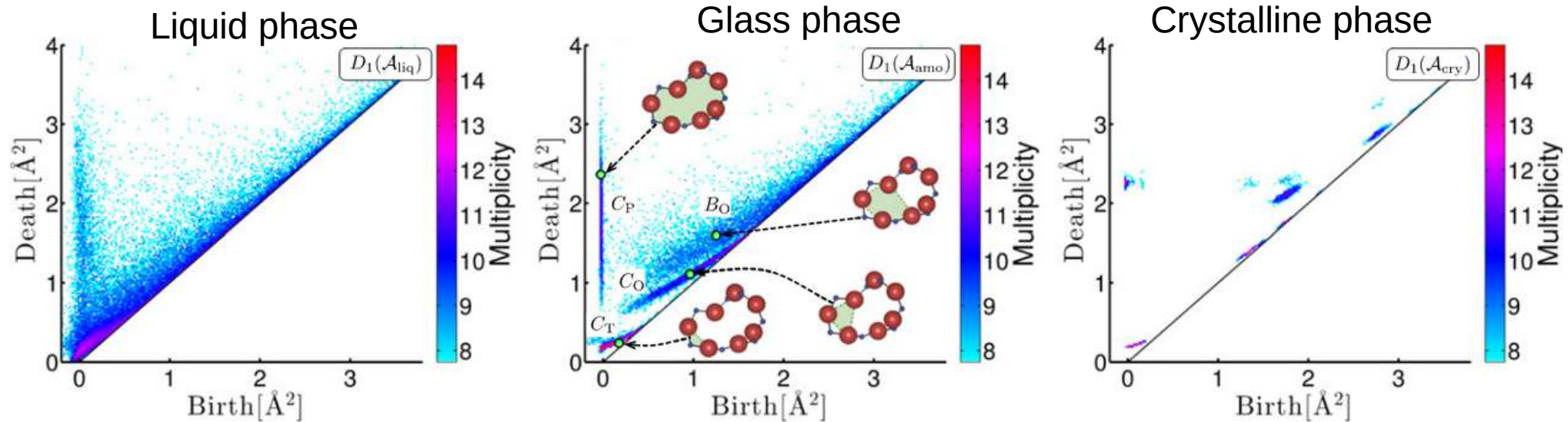
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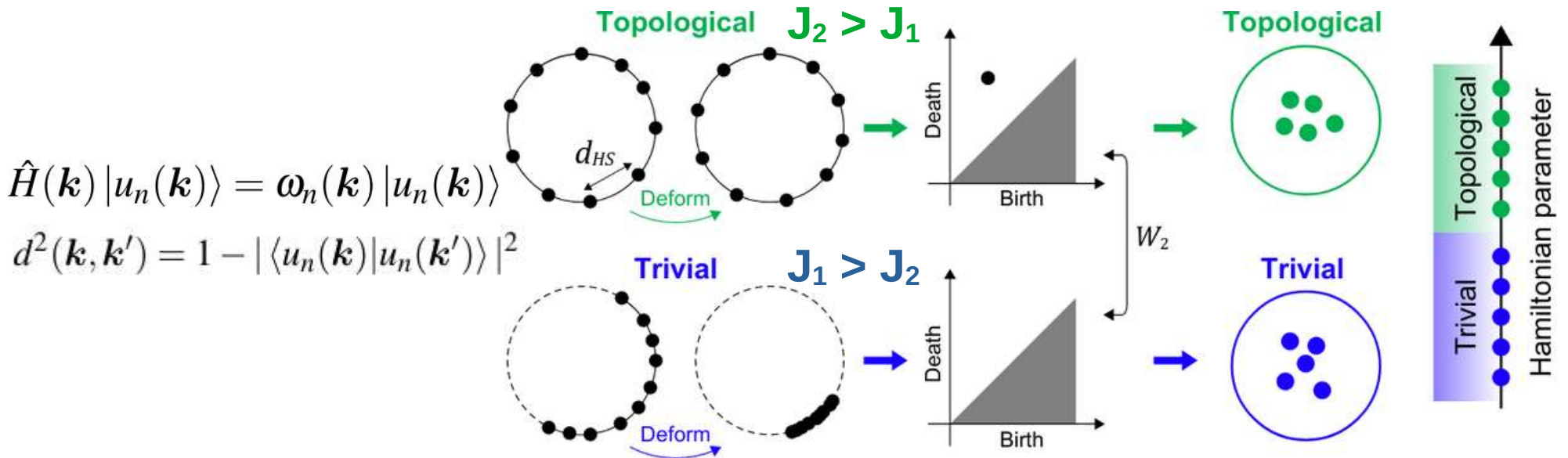
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Shape of Fermi levels and Bloch functions

- Quantum distance: distance measure for Bloch functions
- Persistent homology identifies Bloch function clusters and loops
- Applied to unsupervised learning of topological phase diagrams

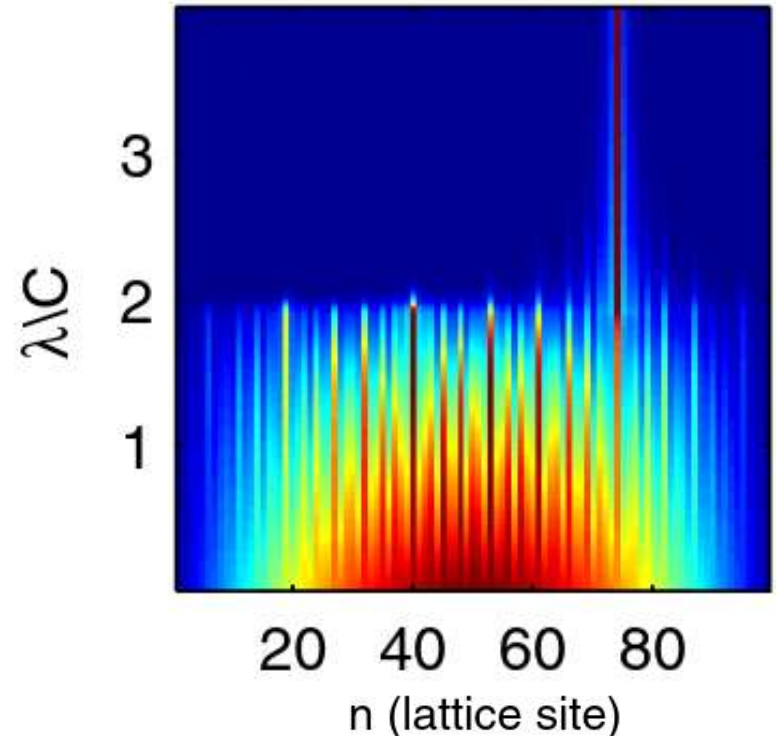
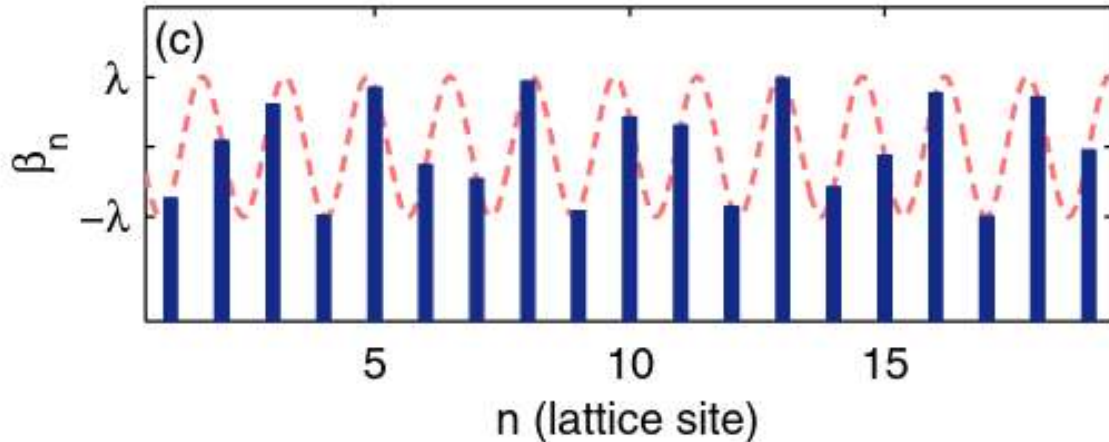


Aubry-Andre-Harper model

$$i\frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial t} + [\beta_0 + \lambda \cos(2\pi n\chi)]\psi_n + C(\psi_{n-1} + \psi_{n+1}) = 0,$$

Transition from extended to localized eigenstates at $\lambda/C = 2$

Ground state intensity

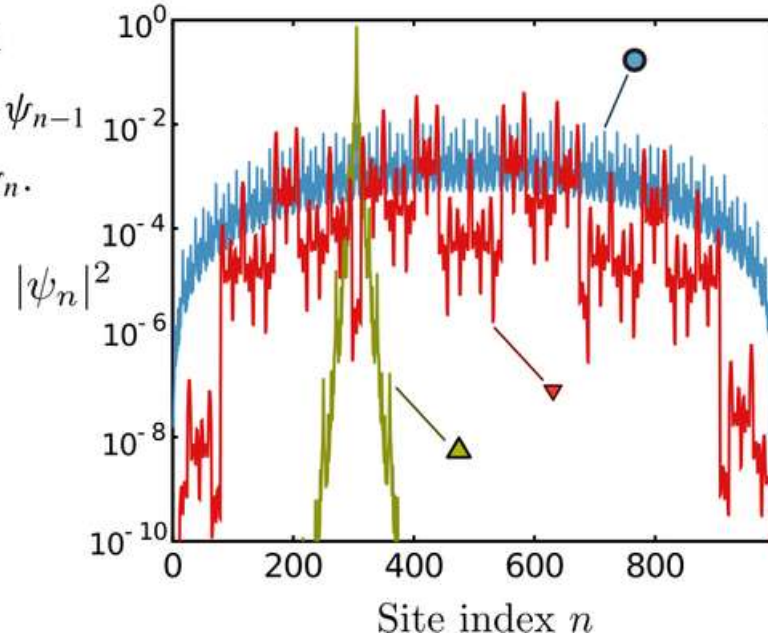


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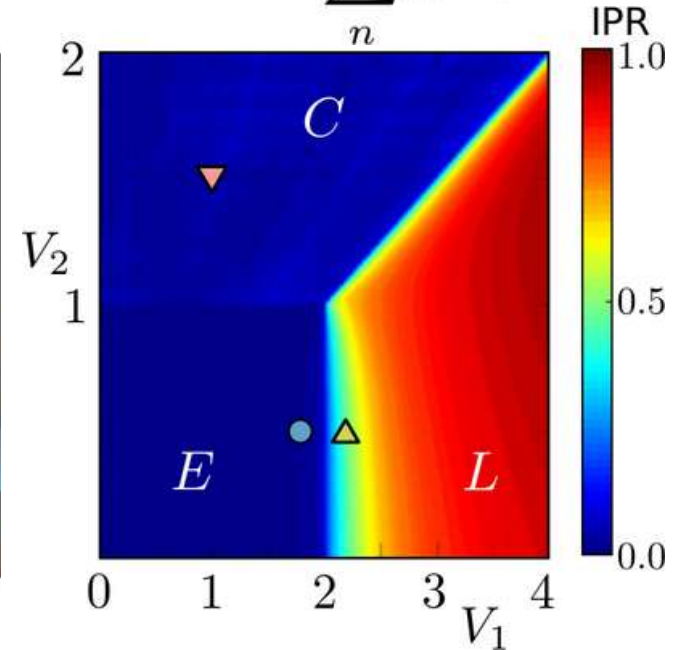
Generalized Aubry-Andre-Harper model

- Hosts critical phase (C) with fractal eigenstates
- Difficult to distinguish **extended**, **critical** phases using IPR

$$\begin{aligned} & \{t + V_2 \cos[(n + \frac{1}{2})Q + k]\} \psi_{n+1} \\ & + \{t + V_2 \cos[(n - \frac{1}{2})Q + k]\} \psi_{n-1} \\ & + V_1 \cos(nQ + k + \phi) \psi_n = E \psi_n. \end{aligned}$$

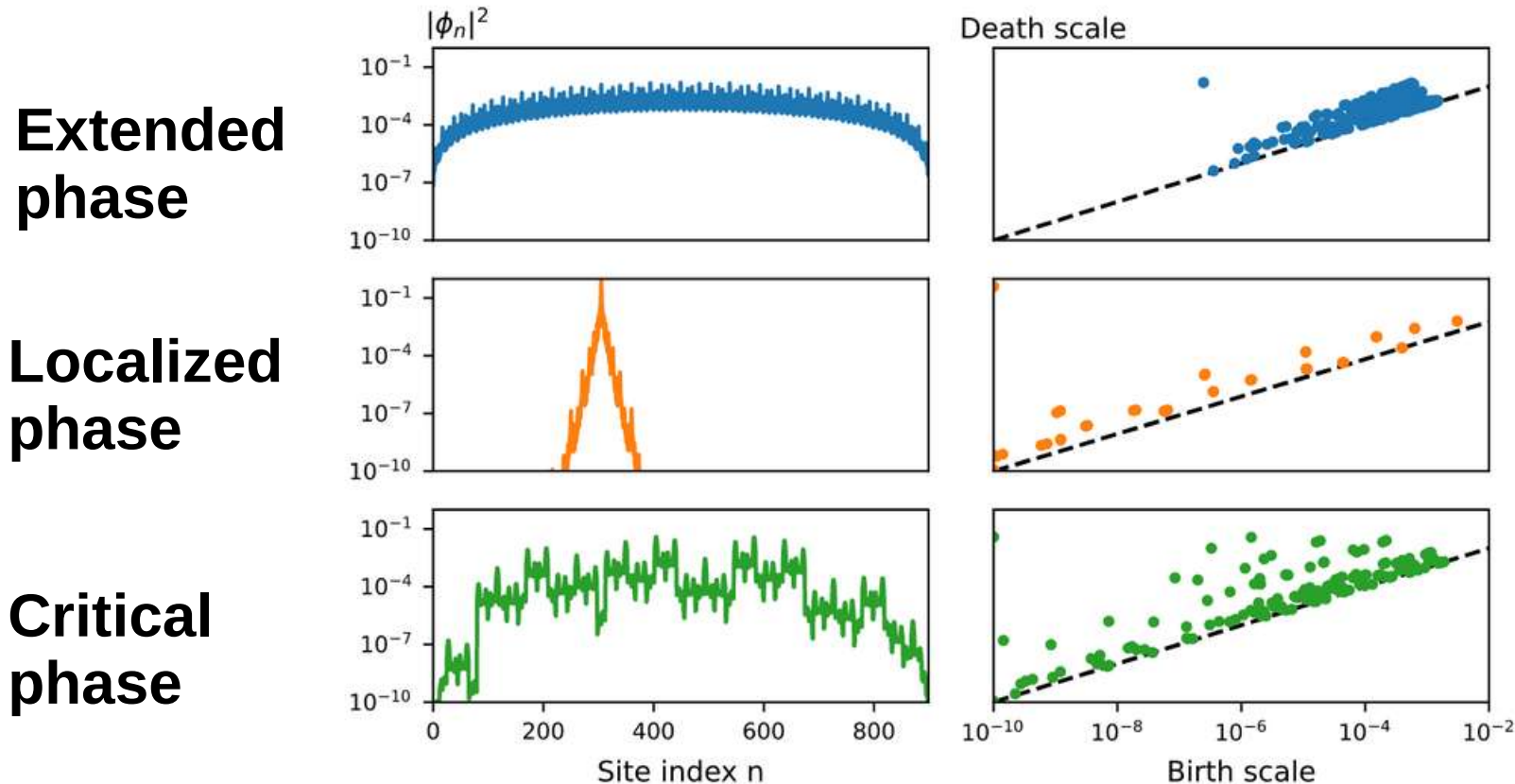


$$\text{IPR} = \sum_n |\phi_n|^4$$



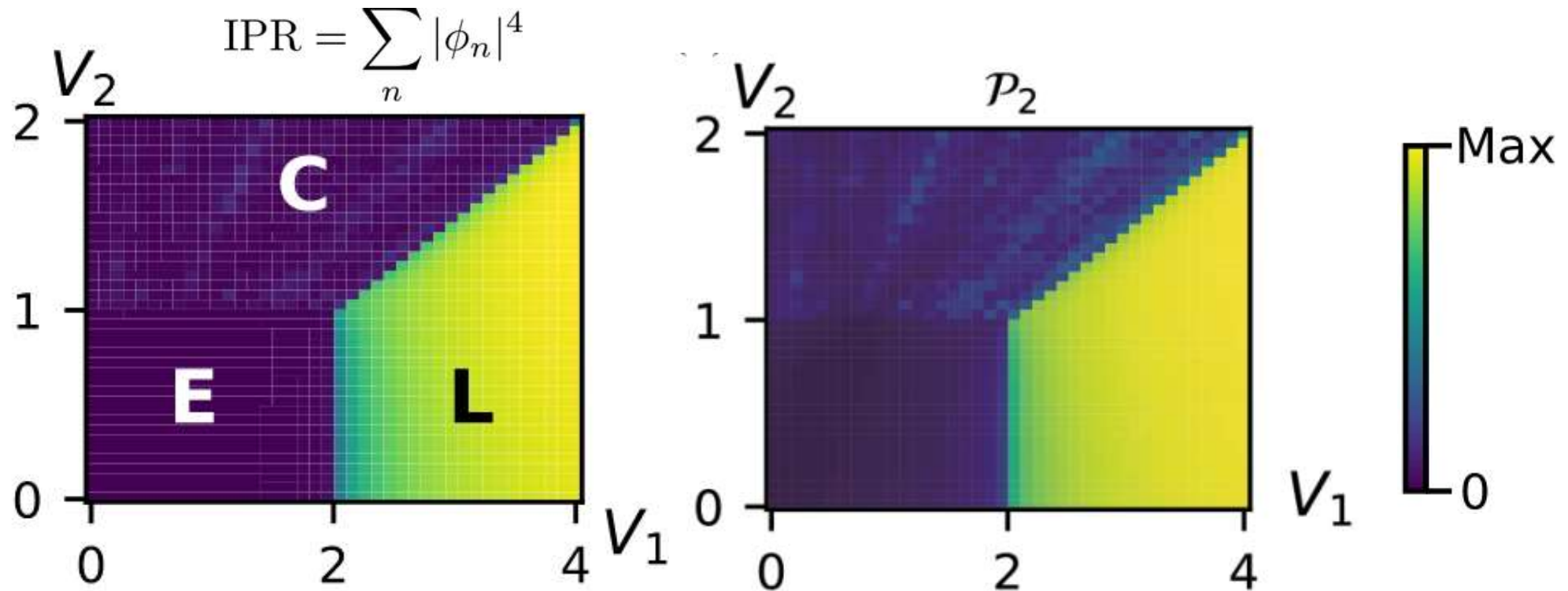
Persistent homology of AAH eigenstates

Ground states have different structure of local maxima, minima



Phase diagrams: Standard measures vs TDA

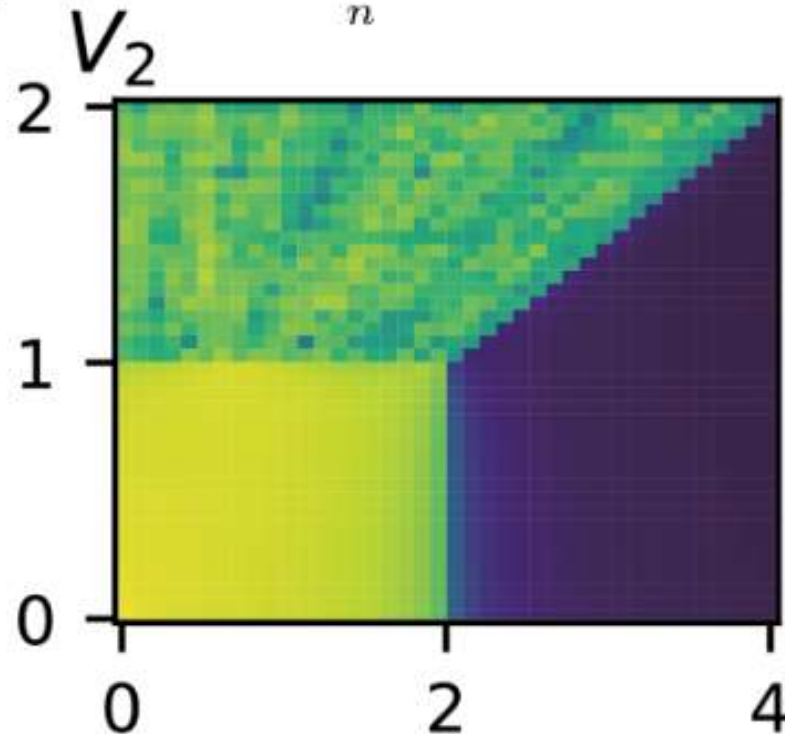
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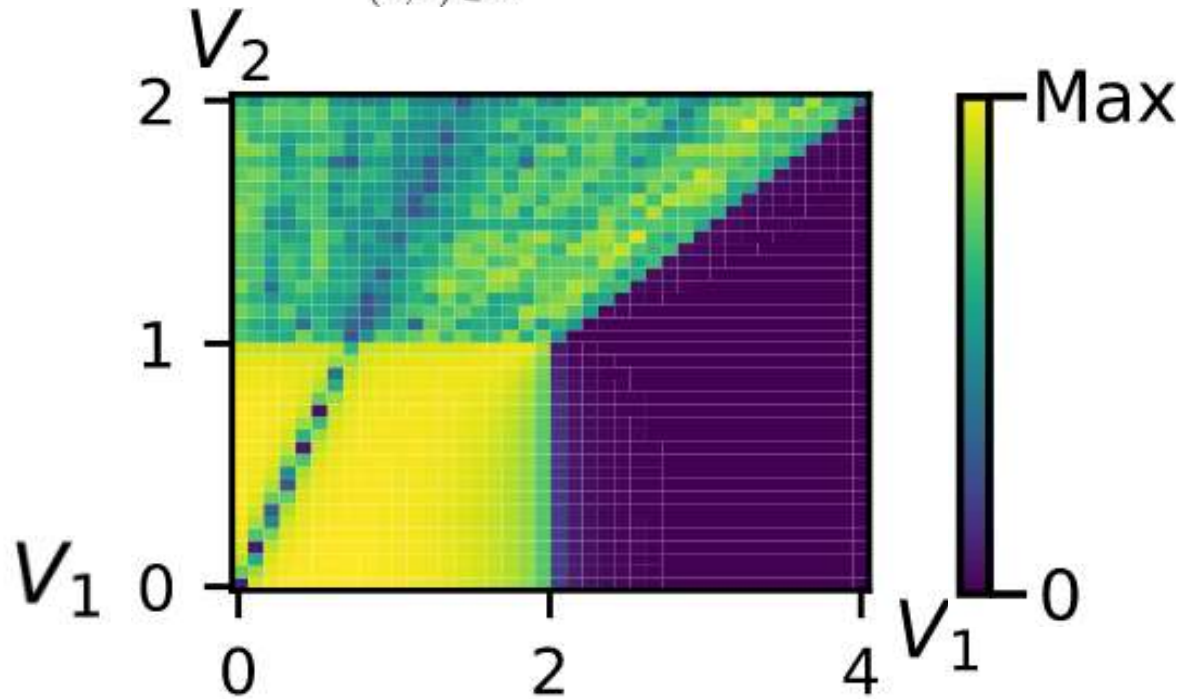
Eigenstate entropy

$$S = - \sum_n |\phi_n|^2 \ln |\phi_n|^2$$



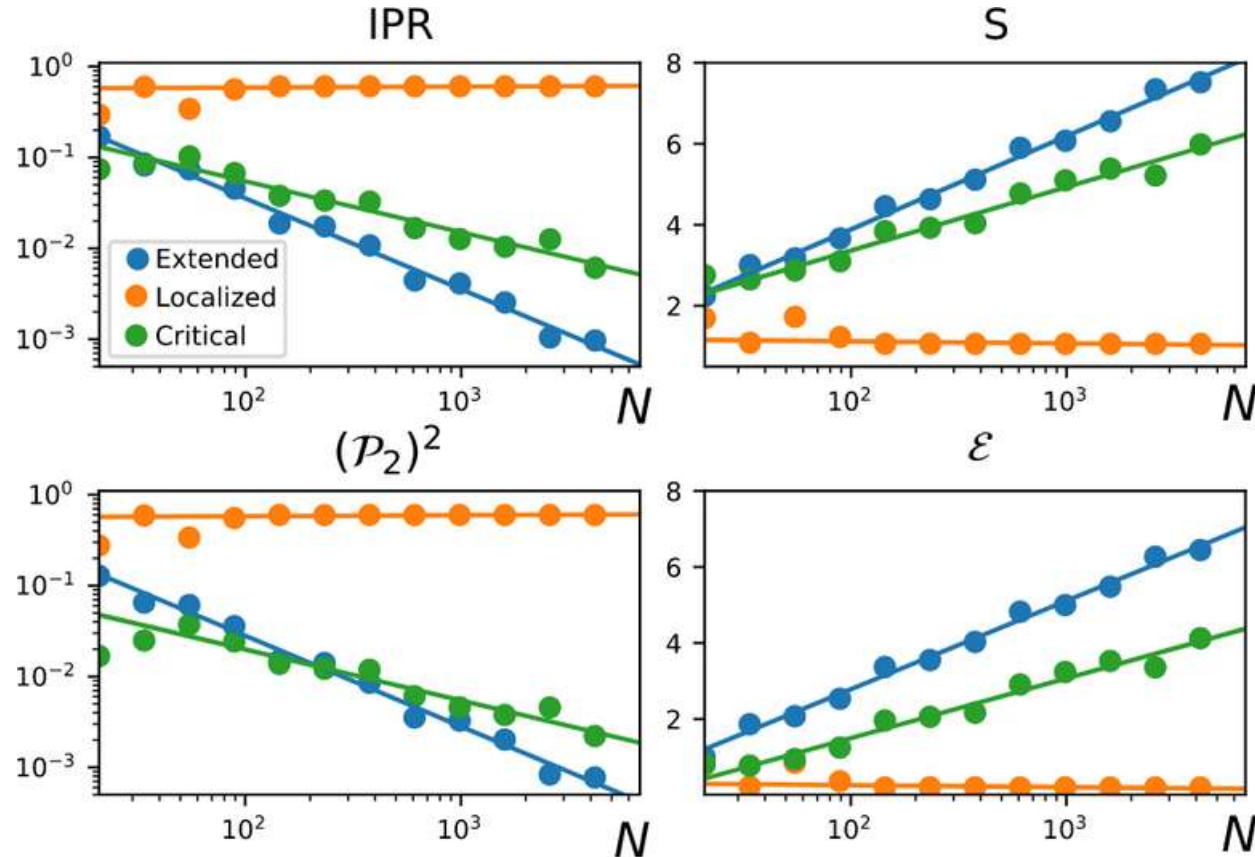
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Fractal analysis

Persistent homology reproduces correct fractal dimensions





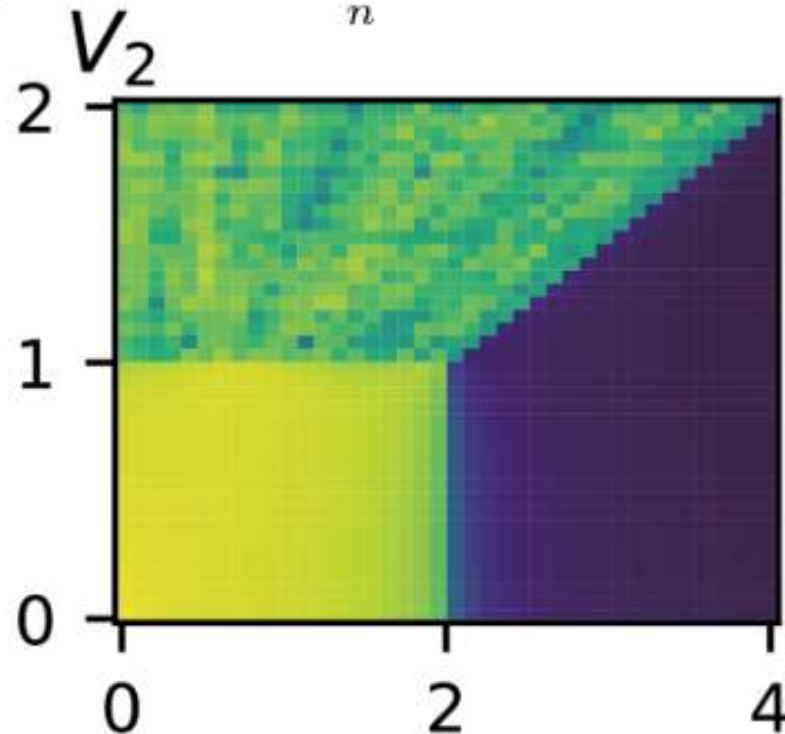
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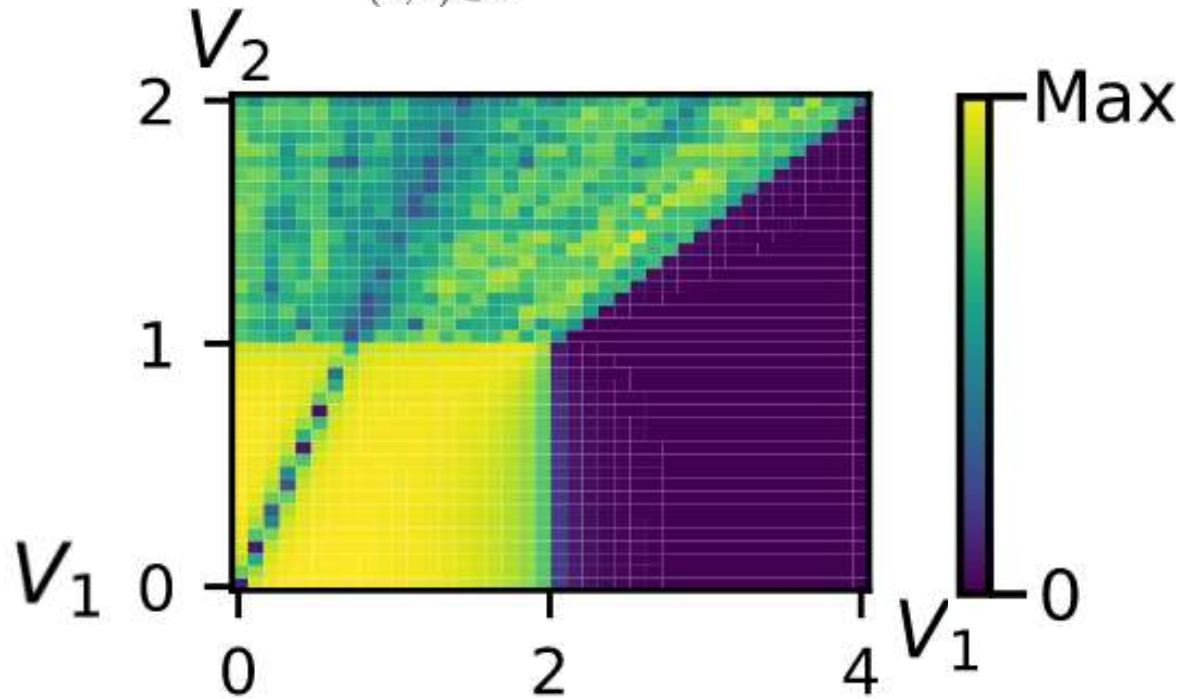
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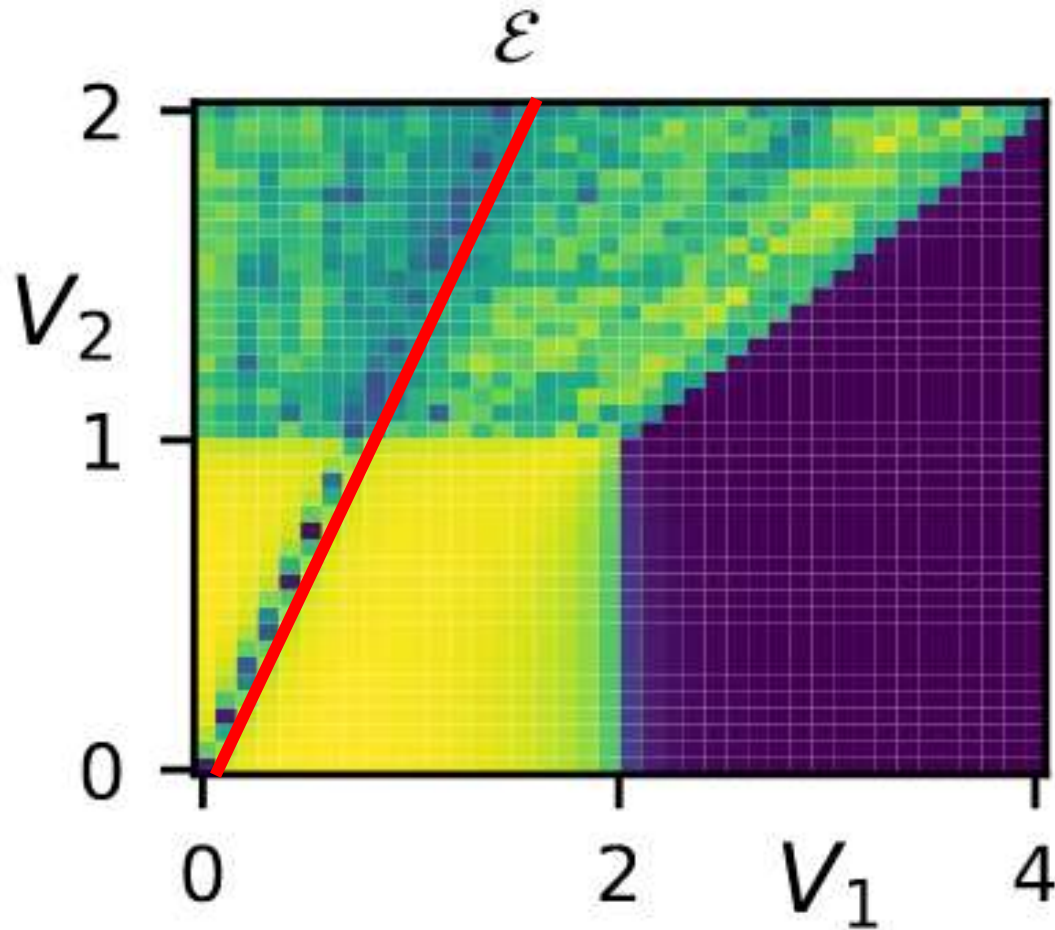


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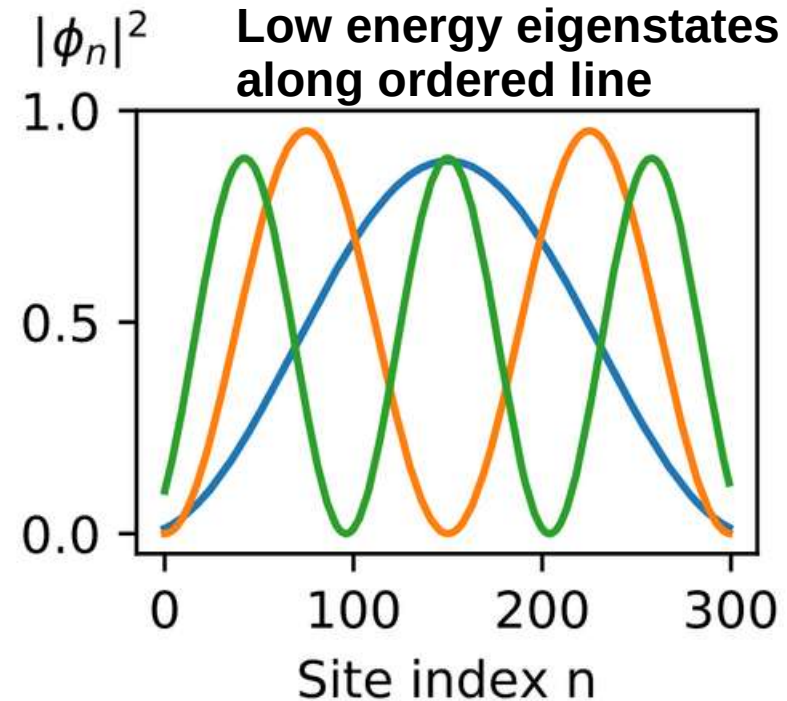
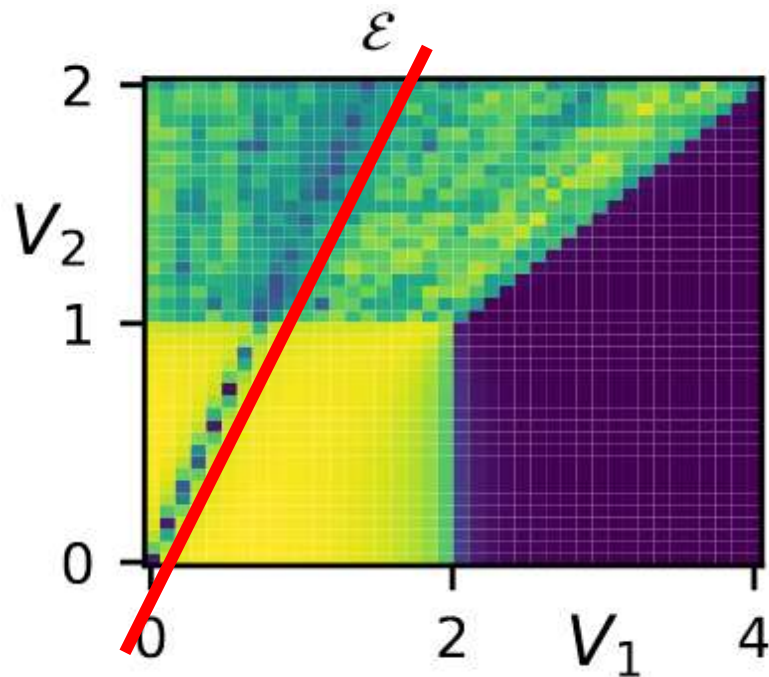


Persistent entropy detects an anomaly!



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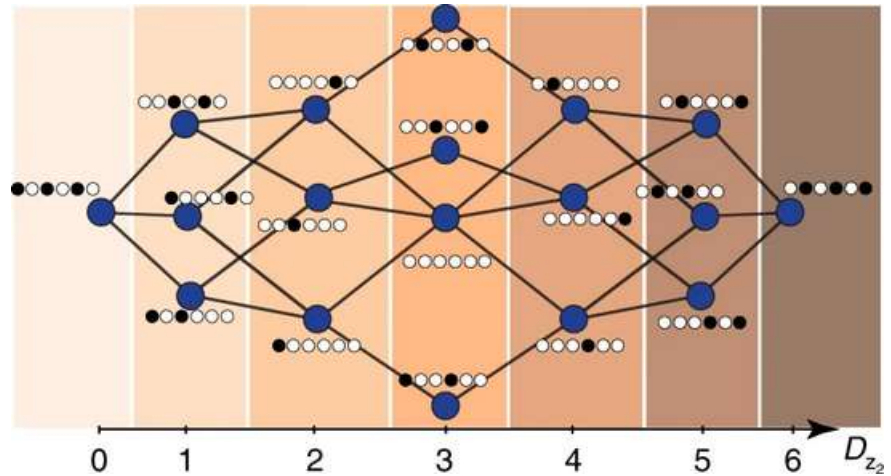
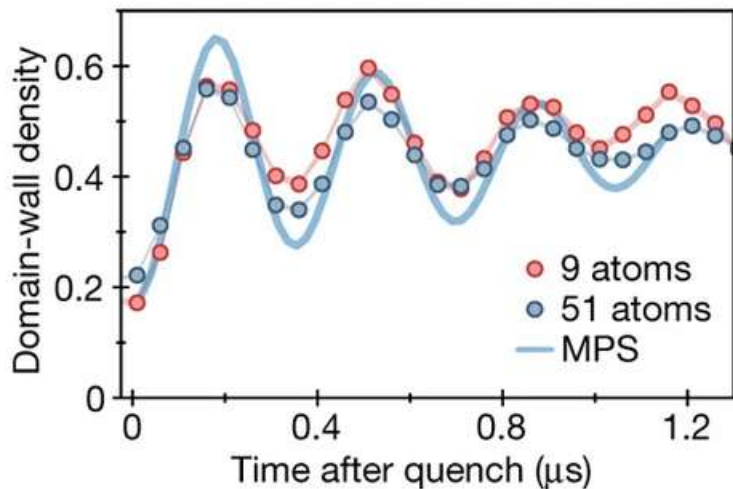
- Potential transparent to low energy wavepackets if $V_1 = 2V_2 \cos(Q/2)$
- Standard measures do not distinguish between order and disorder



- Our results show how **topological data analysis** and **persistent homology** can **uncover novel features** of complicated quantum systems
- After the “ordered line” was **discovered numerically** using persistent homology, **we obtained an analytical explanation** by re-examining the tight binding Hamiltonian
- Persistent homology gives a **new tool** for theoretical analysis and **model building**

Outlook: Many-body quantum dynamics

- Many-body quantum dynamics \sim high-dimensional Fock state graph
- Persistent oscillations due to “quantum scars”
- Can TDA characterise the “shape” of many-body quantum dynamics?



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Persistent homology

Persistence diagrams

**Sublevel set
persistence**

**Point
summaries**

Mapper

**Diagram
metrics**

**Multidimensional
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**Persistence
landscapes**

Zigzag persistence

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