Topology in Machine Learning


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- How to vectorize geometry?
- Introduction to persistent homology
- Applications in materials science, computer vision, and explainable machine learning

What is the difference between geometry and topology?


Topology ignores some geometrical properties (distances, curvatures) but preserves holes.

Topology is computable.

Homology (counts holes)

$H_{0}: \operatorname{rank} 1$
$H_{1}$ : rank 0
$H_{2}$ : rank 1
$H_{0}$ : rank 1
$H_{1}$ : rank 2
$H_{2}: \operatorname{rank} 1$

Persistent Homology (tracks holes as a space grows)


Persistence Barcode


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Images by Lander Ver Hoef


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Convective


Non-Convective


Ver Hoef, Lee, Adams, King, Ebert-Uphoff

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Persistence Diagram


Global topology


Topology of cyclo-octane energy landscape Martin, Thompson, Contsias, Watson, 2010

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Persistent homology measures topology and geometry






$H_{1}$

Persistent homology analysis of brain artery trees Bendich, Marron, Miller, Pieloch, Skwerer, 2014

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Cl -centric

"Understanding diffraction patterns of glassy, liquid, and amorphous material via persistent homology analysis" by Onodera, Kohara, Tahara, Masuno, Inone, Shiga, Hirata, Tsuchiya, Hiraoka, Obayushi, Ohara, Mizuno, Sokata, 2019



Fig. 4 Input binary images and their 0th persistence diagrams. The left and right two images are sampled from the parameter pairs (A) and (B), respectively

(a)

(b)



Fig. 5 a The reconstructed persistence diagram from the learned vector $w$. The blue (resp. red) area contributes to the class 0 (resp. 1). b A thresholding of (a). c 1-4 The birth positions of the generators in blue and red areas in (b) are plotted with the same color (color figure online)




birth
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surface

"Persistence images: A stable vector representation of persistent homology" by Adams, Chepushtanova, Emerson, Hanson, Kirby, Motta, Neville, Peterson, Shipman, Ziegelmeier, 2017
"Quantitative and interpretable order parameters for phase transitions from persistent homology" by Cole, Loges, Shin, 2021

Low temperature


High temperature





Statistical physics
Ising model Phase transitions


"Topological descriptors help predict guest absorption in nanoporous materials" by Krishnaprigan, Haranczyk, Morozov, 2020




Methane absorption:
Accessible surface area Largest cavity diameter

Local geometry


Measures of order for nearly hexagonal lattices Motte, Neville, Shipman, Pearson, Bradley, 2018


Collective motion, self-organization
Topological data analysis of biological aggregation models Topaz, Ziegelmeier, Halverson, 2015


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(a)

(b)


Analysis of Kolmogorov flow and Rayleigh-Bēnard convection using persistent homology
Kramär, Levanger, Tithof, Suri, Xu, Paul, Schatz, Mischai kow, 2016


Persistence images: A stable vector representation of persistent homology. Adams, Chepushtanova, Emerson, Hanson, Kirby, Motta, Neville, Peterson, Shipman, Ziegelmeier, 2017

Different parameters:


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Local geometry


Circle


Clusters Inside
Clusters



Unit Sphere

Torus


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Local geometry


Persistent homology detects curvature Bubenik, Hull, Patel, Whittle, 2019

Local geometry


A fractal dimension for measures via persistent homology Adams, Aminian, Farrell, Kirby, Peterson, Mirth, Neville, Shonkwiler, 2020

See also work by Robins and MacPherson \& Schweinhart

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On the choice of weight functions for linear representations of persistence diagrams Divol and Polonik, 2019


Fig. 2 For $n=500$ or 2000 points uniformly sampled on the torus, persistence images (Adams et al. 2017) for different weight functioas are displayed. For $\alpha<2$, the mass of the topological noise is far larger than the mass of the true signal, the latter being comprised by the two points with high-persistence. For $\alpha=2$, the two points with high-persistence are clearly distinguishable. For $\alpha=100$, the noise has also disappeared, but so has one of the point with high-persistence

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