

# Topological Data Analysis

## and Persistence Theory

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## Lecture 4 : TDA and Statistics

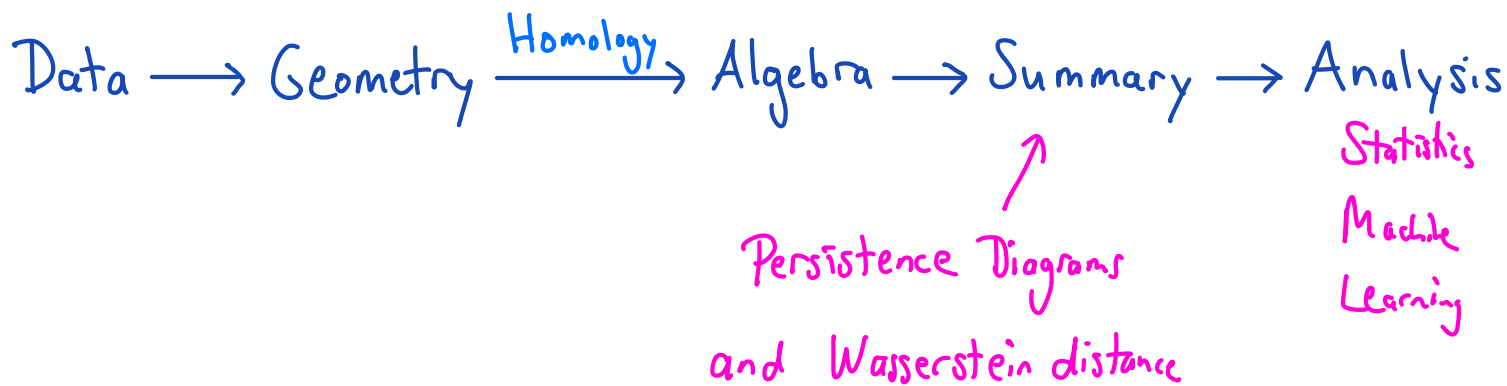
- Outline:
1. TDA and Hilbert Space
  2. The Persistence Landscape
  3. Statistics with Persistence Landscapes
  - 4.

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# 1. TDA and Hilbert Space

## 1.1 Why Hilbert Space?

Recall the TDA pipeline:



Statistics and Machine Learning depend on Linear Algebra.

Want: a vector space and inner product (ie inner product space).

We want summaries that lie in a complete inner product space (ie. a Hilbert space).

## 1.2 Nonembeddability

Theorem For any  $p \in [1, \infty]$ , the metric space of persistence diagrams with the Wasserstein distance  $W_p$  does not embed into a Hilbert space.

Theorem For any  $p \in (2, \infty]$ , the metric space of persistence diagrams with the Wasserstein distance  $W_p$  does not coarsely embed into a Hilbert space.

$p \in [1, 2]$  open

## 1.3 Feature maps and kernels

A feature map is a map  $\Phi: X \rightarrow H$ .

↑  
Set

↑  
Hilbert space

Given a feature map  $\Phi$ , we may define  $k: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

by  $k(x, x') = \langle \Phi x, \Phi x' \rangle$ , called a kernel.

↑  
inner product on  $H$ .

Theorem  $k: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a kernel iff it is symmetric and positive definite.

↳  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ , the  $n \times n$  matrix  $(k(x_i, x_j))$  has non-negative eigenvalues.

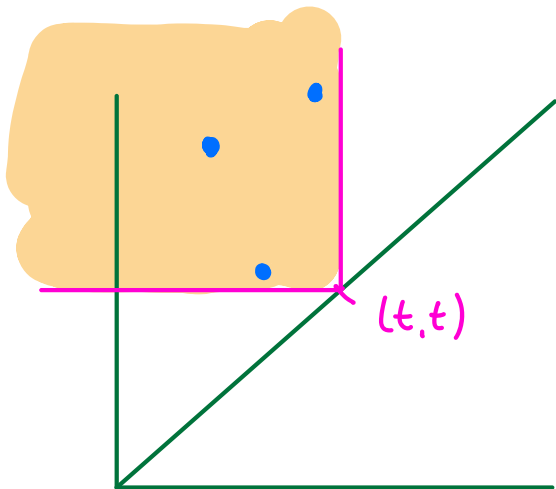
We want a Hilbert space  $H$  and a feature map

$$\Phi: \mathcal{D}_{\text{gm}} \rightarrow H.$$

## 2. The Persistence Landscape

### 2.1 Erosion of Persistence Diagrams

Let  $M: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Vect}$  be a persistence module with persistence diagram  $\text{Dgm } M = \{ (b_i, d_i) \}_{i \in I}$

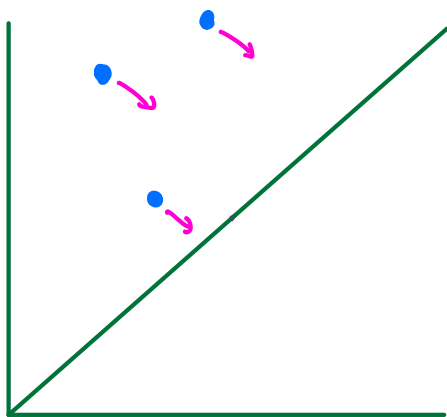


Lemma  $\dim M_t = \#$  of points in  $\text{Dgm } M$  in the upper left quadrant  $Q_t$ .

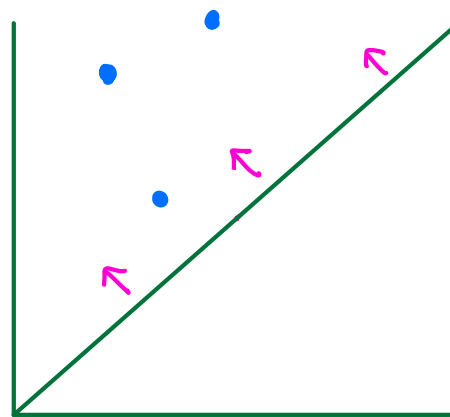
Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let the  $\varepsilon$ -erosion of  $\text{Dgm } M$

be given by  $(\text{Dgm } M)_\varepsilon = \{ (b_i + \varepsilon, d_i - \varepsilon) \}_{i \in I}$

$\uparrow$  remove if  $b_i + \varepsilon > d_i - \varepsilon$

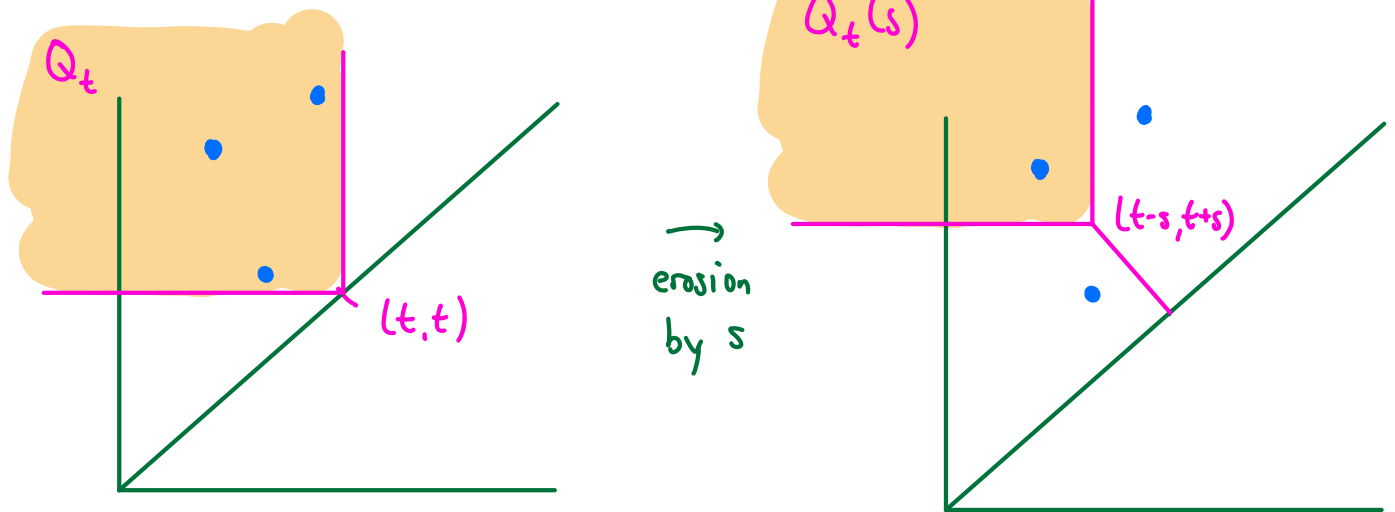


OR



$\varepsilon$  confidence

## 2.2 The Persistence Landscape



Consider the # of points in the quadrant  $Q_t(s)$ .

For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

Define  $\lambda_k(t) = \max (s \mid \# \text{ points in } Q_t(s) \geq k)$

We obtain a sequence of functions  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots)$   
called the Persistence Landscape.

It has inner product  $\langle \lambda, \rho \rangle = \sum_k \int \lambda_k(t) \rho_k(t) dt$

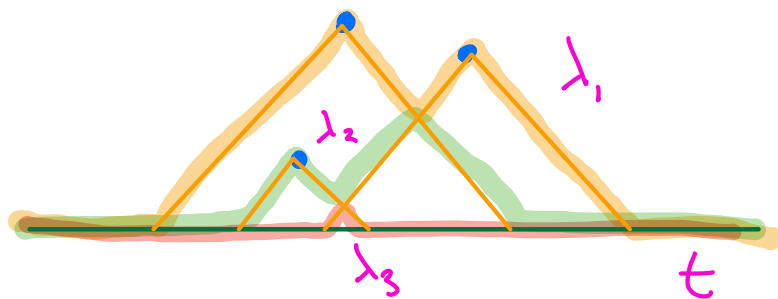
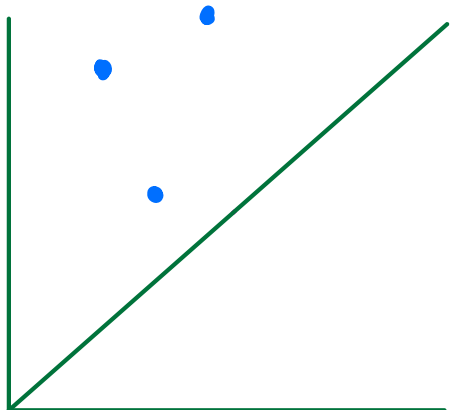
Equivalently, have  $\lambda : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $\lambda(k, t) = \lambda_k(t)$ .

$\lambda \in L^2(\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R})$ .

We have a feature map  $\Lambda : \text{Dgm} \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R})$

$D \mapsto \lambda$

# Graphing the persistence landscape:



## Properties:

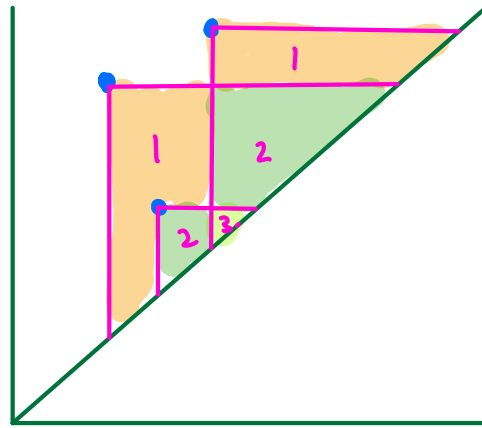
(a) PL. Each  $\lambda_k$  is piecewise linear with slope  $\pm 1$  on its support

(b) Lossless. Pers Diag  $\rightarrow$  Pers Landscape is invertible

(c) Stable. Point cloud  $\rightarrow$  Pers Landscape is nonexpansive  
 $\uparrow$  Hausdorff dist  $\uparrow$  Supremum norm

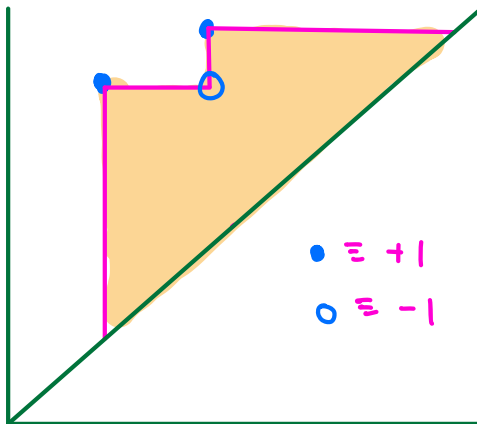
## 2.3 Graded Persistence Diagram and Persistence Landscape

Rank function, Rank  
and  
Persistence Diagram, PD

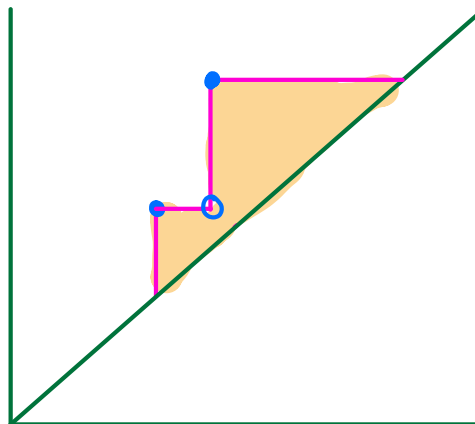


Graded Rank functions and Graded Persistence Diagrams :

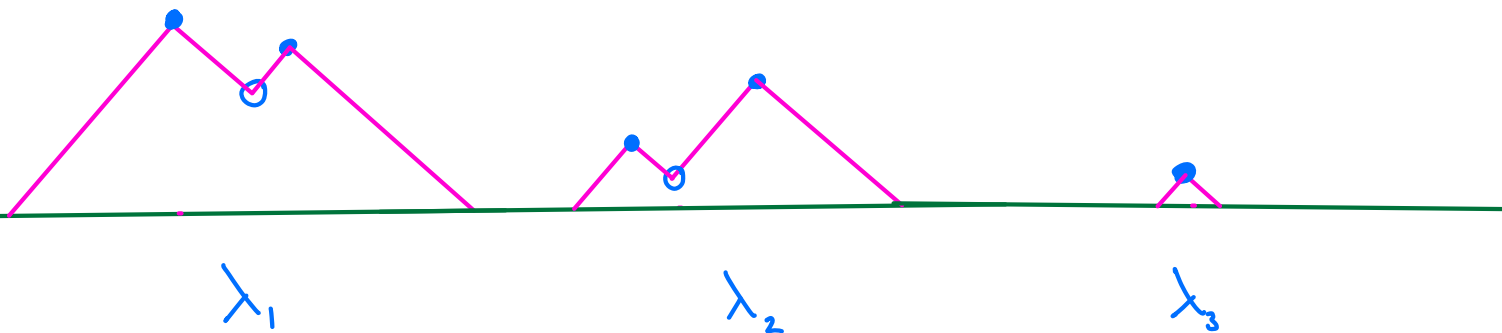
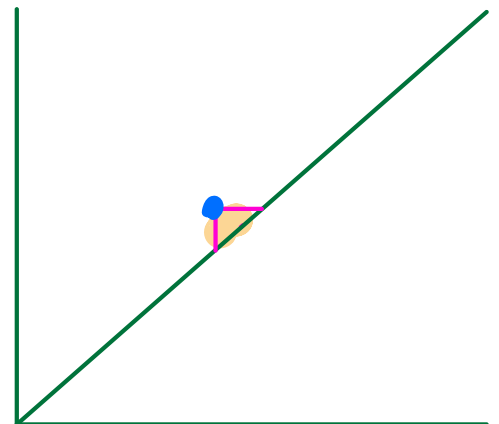
Rank<sub>1</sub> and PD<sub>1</sub>



Rank<sub>2</sub> and PD<sub>2</sub>



Rank<sub>3</sub> and PD<sub>3</sub>



### Theorem

The positive points of  $PD_k$  are the local maxima of  $\lambda_k$ .

The negative points of  $PD_k$  are the local minima of  $\lambda_k$ .

### 3. Statistics with Persistence Landscapes

#### 3.1 Average Persistence Landscape

Data  $\longrightarrow$  Persistence Landscape

$$X \quad \lambda$$

Data  $\longrightarrow$  Persistence Landscapes

$$X_1, \dots, X_N \quad \lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(N)}$$

$$\text{Let } \bar{\lambda}(k, t) = \frac{1}{N} \lambda(k, t)$$

#### 3.2 Hypothesis Testing

If we have two experimental conditions

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \text{Data} & & \text{Average Persistence Landscapes} \\ X_1, \dots, X_N & \longmapsto & \bar{\lambda} \\ Y_1, \dots, Y_N & \longmapsto & \bar{\rho} \end{array}$$

Difference of Average PL :  $\bar{\lambda} - \bar{\rho}$

Is this difference significant?

Test statistic:  $\|\bar{\lambda} - \bar{\rho}\|$

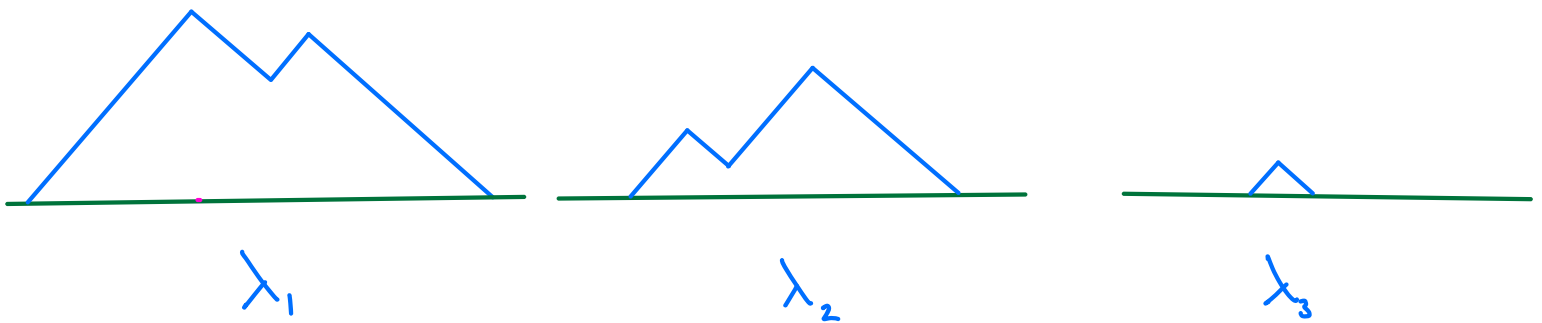
We can obtain a p value for this statistic  
using a permutation test.



### 3.3 Discretizing the Persistence Landscape

$\lambda \in L^2(\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R})$  may be approximated by a point in  $\mathbb{R}^D$  for some large  $D$  as follows:

1. Discretize the support.
2. Evaluate  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  on this grid.
3. Concatenate the numbers.



### 3.4 Using Average Persistence Landscapes

If one is in a situation where data is cheap and abundant then it is advised to repeat and use Average PL instead of PL.

If one is in a situation where the data is too large to compute persistent homology then subsample many times and compute the average persistence landscape.

Theorem In certain generic situations, not only can we use a persistence landscape to reconstruct a persistence diagram, we can use an average persistence landscape to reconstruct all of the persistence diagrams used to compute it.