

# Universal dynamics in quantum many-body systems via persistent homology

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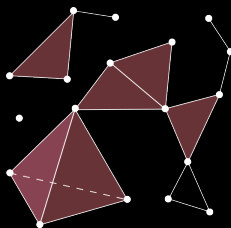
DS, Berges, Oberthaler, Wienhard: *Finding universal structures in quantum many-body dynamics via persistent homology*, arXiv:2001.02616,

DS, Wienhard: *The self-similar evolution of stationary point processes via persistent homology*, arXiv:2012.05751.

# Topological data analysis (TDA)

General TDA pipeline:

- (i) acquire point cloud data,
- (ii) construct simplicial complexes,
- (iii) infer topological properties via tools from algebraic topology.



# Topological data analysis

TDA toolbox made up from

- ▶ Mapper algorithm for partial clustering (e.g. Singh, Memoli, Carlsson, Eurographics Symposium on Point-Based Graphics, 2007),
- ▶ Persistent homology.

More information: STRUCTURES EP Math and Data,  
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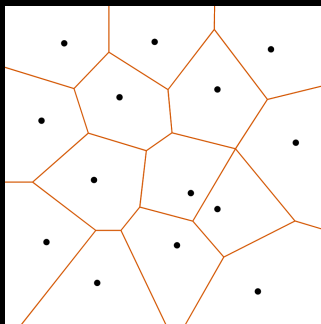
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# Delaunay complex

Point cloud  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . Its Voronoi diagram consists of Voronoi cells for all  $x \in X$ :

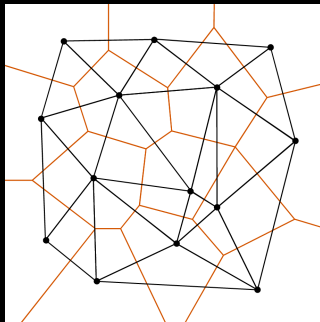
$$\text{Vor}(x, X) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid |y - x| \leq |y - p| \forall p \in X\}$$



# Delaunay complex

Delaunay triangulation constructed as dual of Voronoi diagram:

$$\text{Del}(X) = \left\{ \sigma \subset X \mid \bigcap_{x \in \sigma} \text{Vor}(x, X) \neq \emptyset \right\}$$



# Alpha complexes

A simplex is the generalization of a triangle or tetrahedron to arbitrary dimensions.

Introduce radius function  $\text{Rad} : \text{Del}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , mapping a simplex  $\sigma \in \text{Del}(X)$  to the radius of its circumsphere.

Alpha complexes:

$$\text{Alpha}_r(X) := \text{Rad}^{-1}[0, r]$$

$\implies$  *Encodes scale-dependent information on the point cloud  $X$ .*

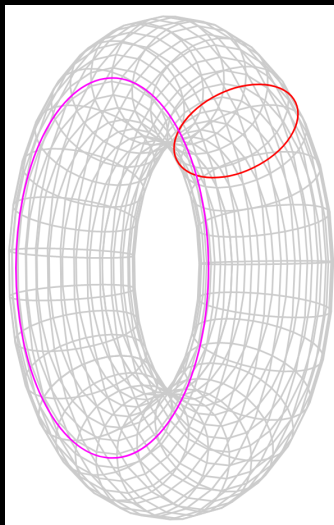


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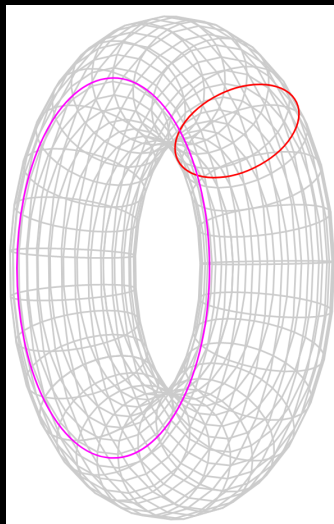
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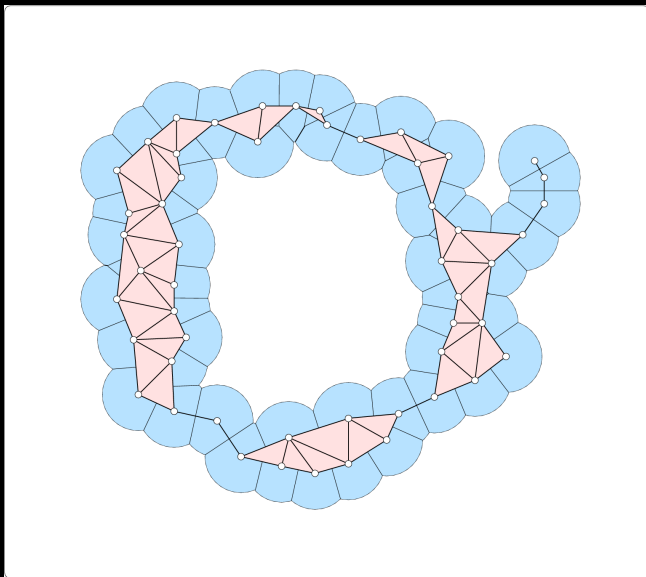
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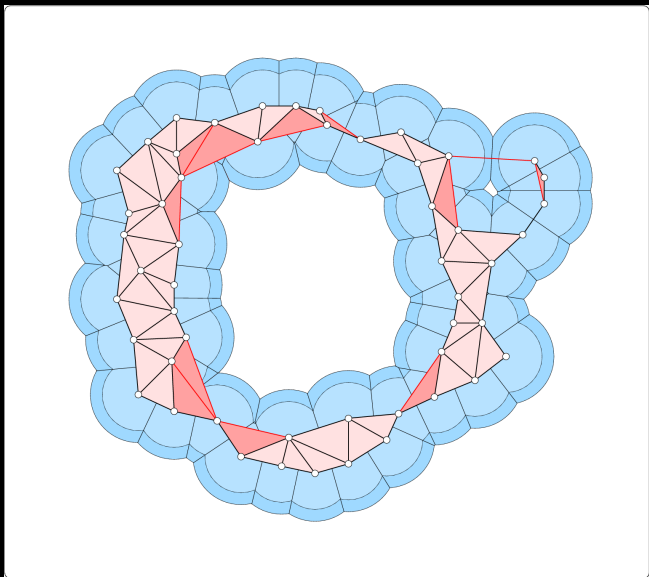
$$\beta_0 = 0, \beta_1 = 2, \beta_2 = 1.$$

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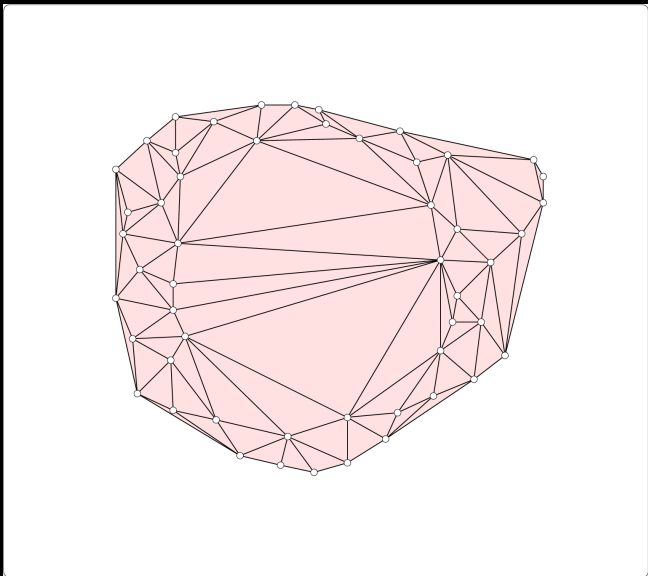
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# (Asymptotic) persistence pair distribution

$(D_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{D}$  be ensemble of persistence diagrams. *Persistence pair distribution* of  $D_i$ :

$$\mathfrak{P}_i(r'_b, r'_d) := \sum_{(r_b, r_d) \in D_i} \delta(r'_b - r_b) \delta(r'_d - r_d).$$

Define the **asymptotic persistence pair distribution**,  $\langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle$ , implicitly, requiring that for a functional summary  $F$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty dr'_b \int_0^\infty dr'_d F(\{(r'_b, r'_d)\})(s) \langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(r'_b, r'_d) \\ & := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^\infty dr'_b \int_0^\infty dr'_d F(\{(r'_b, r'_d)\})(s) \mathfrak{P}_i(r'_b, r'_d). \end{aligned}$$

Rigorous construction see DS, Wienhard, arXiv:2012.05751.

# Functional summaries of interest

**Distributions of birth and death radii,**

$$\langle \mathcal{B} \rangle(r_b) := \int_0^\infty dr_d \langle \mathfrak{F} \rangle(r_b, r_d), \quad \langle \mathcal{D} \rangle(r_d) := \int_0^\infty dr_b \langle \mathfrak{F} \rangle(r_b, r_d).$$

**Persistence distribution** (distribution of  $r_d - r_b$ ),

$$\langle \mathcal{P} \rangle(r) := \int_0^\infty dr_d \langle \mathfrak{F} \rangle(r_d - r, r_d).$$

**Distribution of Betti numbers,**

$$\langle \beta \rangle(r) := \int_0^r dr_b \int_r^\infty dr_d \langle \mathfrak{F} \rangle(r_b, r_d).$$

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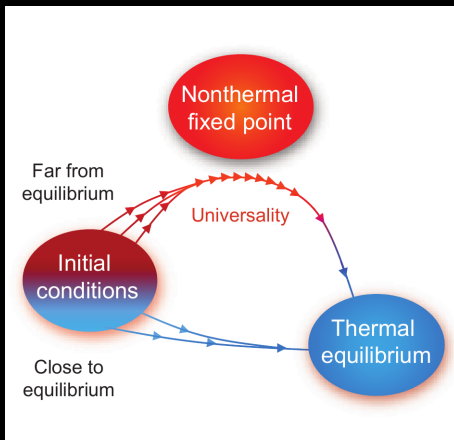
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# Generic evolution towards thermal equilibrium

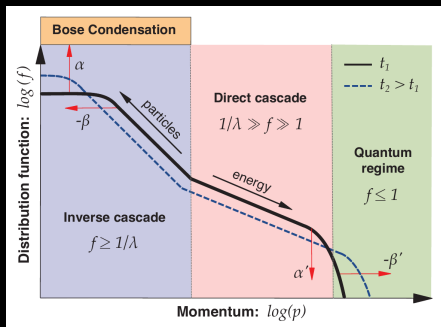


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# Universality far from equilibrium: Nonthermal fixed points

Rescaling approach to occupation number distribution:

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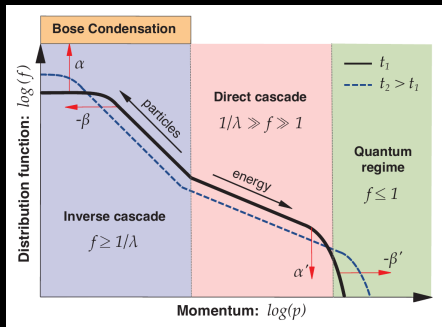


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Goal: Reveal universal dynamics beyond  $n$ -point correlation functions via persistent homology observables.

# Self-similar scaling ansatz

Let  $\langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(t, r_b, r_d)$  be a time-dependent asymptotic persistence pair distribution. Say  $\langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(t, r_b, r_d)$  **scales self-similarly**, if exponents  $\eta_1, \eta'_1$  and  $\eta_2$  exist, s.t. for all times  $t, t'$ ,

$$\langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(t, r_b, r_d) = (t/t')^{-\eta_2} \langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(t', (t/t')^{-\eta_1} r_b, (t/t')^{-\eta'_1} r_d).$$

⇒ Rigorously defined in DS, Wienhard, arXiv:2012.05751.

Geometric intuition: Persistence length scales computed from  $\langle \mathfrak{P} \rangle(t)$  blow up in time as a power-law  $\sim t^{\eta_1}$  (assuming  $\eta_1 = \eta'_1$ ).

## Packing relation: heuristics

Set  $\eta_1 = \eta'_1$ . Assume point clouds are dominated by a length scale  $L(t)$ , but restricted to lattice volume  $V$ . In  $d$  spatial dimensions, find that a number  $n(t)$  of top-dimensional homology classes fits into  $V$ :

$$\langle n \rangle(t) \simeq \frac{V}{L(t)^d} \propto \left(\frac{t}{t'}\right)^{-d\eta_1}.$$

Now,

$$\langle n \rangle(t) = \int r_b \int r_d \langle \mathfrak{P}_{d-1} \rangle(t, r_b, r_d) = \left(\frac{t}{t'}\right)^{-\eta_2 + 2\eta_1} \langle n \rangle(t').$$

Thus,

$$\eta_2 = (2 + d)\eta_1.$$

Can be derived mathematically rigorous in a very broad setting exploiting ergodicity and persistence inequalities (DS, Wienhard, arXiv:2012.05751).

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# The classical-statistical approximation

Can to a controlled accuracy map quantum dynamics onto a classical-statistical ensemble. Classical-statistical simulations proceed as follows:

1. Monte Carlo **sampling of quantum initial conditions**,
2. evolution in time of such a configuration via **classical equation of motion**,
3. expectation value of a physical observable computed by **averaging** over classical field trajectories' outcomes.

Regime of validity: large occupation numbers and weak couplings.

# Simulating the $d = 2$ Bose gas

Bose gas governed by Gross-Pitaevskii equation,

$$\left( -\frac{\nabla^2}{2m} + g |\psi(t, \mathbf{x})|^2 \right) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) = i\partial_t \psi(t, \mathbf{x}).$$

Equation numerically solved on a spatial lattice, describes Bose-Einstein condensate dynamics.

Non-linearities arise via the **interaction** term, rendering GPE quantum dynamics highly non-trivial.



## $d = 2$ results: analytics

Different analytic predictions exist for IR universal scaling exponents:

- ▶ 2PI  $1/N$  expansion result:  $\beta = 0.5$ . Surprisingly, works also for  $N = 1$ . (Orioli, Boguslavski, Berges, PRD 92, 2015)
- ▶ Vortices yield anomalous  $\beta = 0.2$  (Karl & Gasenzer, New J Phys 19, 2017).

$\implies$  Confirmed depending on initial conditions (Deng *et al.*, PRA 97, 2018; Karl & Gasenzer, New J Phys 19, 2017)

# Point clouds from simulations

Restrict construction of persistent homology observables to classical-statistical approximation in this work.

Work on lattice,

$$\Lambda = \{(an_1, \dots, an_d) \mid n_i \in \{1, \dots, N\}\}, \quad a = L/N.$$

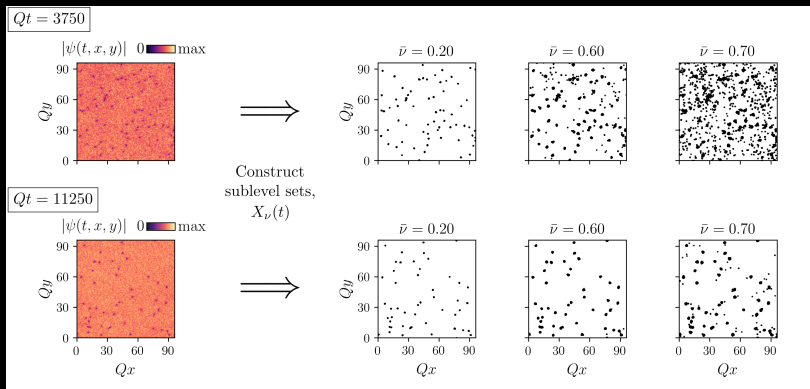
**Immense freedom of choice exists in constructing point clouds from individual field configurations**, e.g., by means of sublevel sets of a filtration function (a map from a field configuration to  $\mathbb{R}$ ).

Here, for all  $\nu \in [0, \infty)$  point clouds generated as

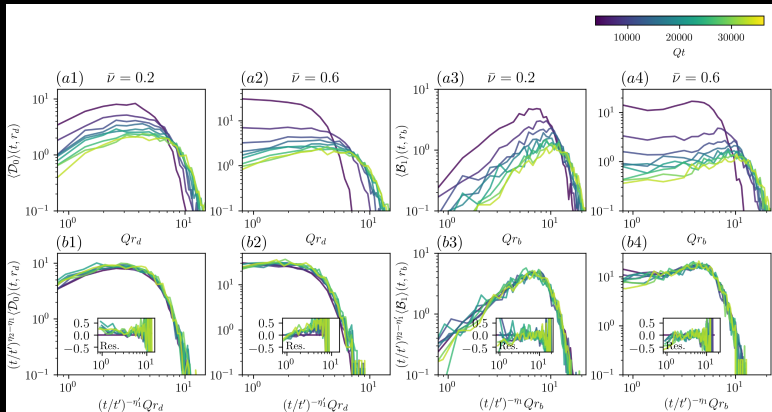
$$X_\nu(t) := |\psi(t, \cdot)|^{-1}[0, \nu] = \{x \in \Lambda \mid |\psi(t, x)| \leq \nu\}.$$

Interested in sequence of alpha complexes of  $X_\nu(t)$  for fixed  $\nu$ .

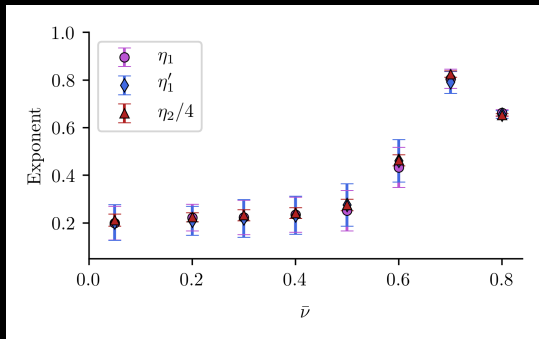
# Point clouds



# Birth and death radii distributions in IR NTFP vicinity



# Persistent homology scaling exponents



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- ▶ Introduced persistent homology observables to the analysis of dynamical quantum phenomena.
- ▶ Discussed corresponding manifestations of universal behavior, including a packing relation between occurring scaling exponents.
- ▶ In the  $d = 2$  nonrelativistic Bose gas found scaling behavior in the IR and accurately confirmed the deduced packing relation.

# Outlook

- ▶ What effect does the employed filtration function have in general?
- ▶ How about scaling of persistent homology observables in other theories?
- ▶ What further constructions related to persistent homology turn out useful to understand quantum dynamics?

