## Capturing Changes in Combinatorial Dynamical Systems via Persistent Homology

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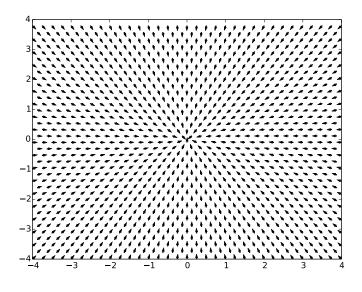


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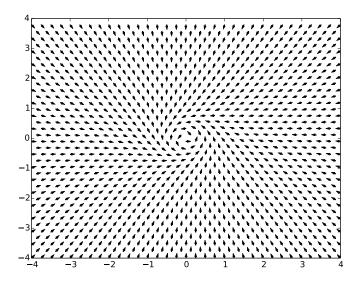
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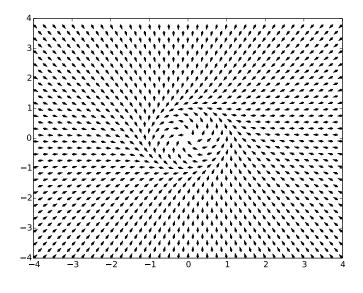
$$x' = -y + x(\lambda - x^2 - y^2)$$
$$y' = x + y(\lambda - x^2 - y^2)$$



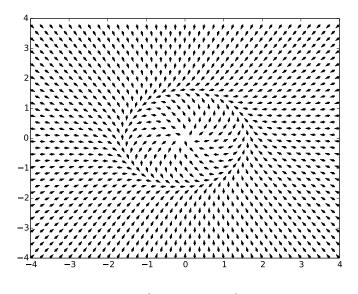
#### $\lambda \ll 0$



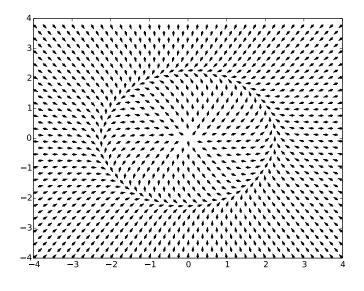
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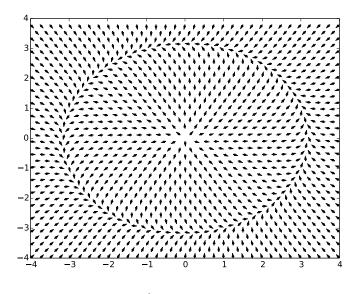
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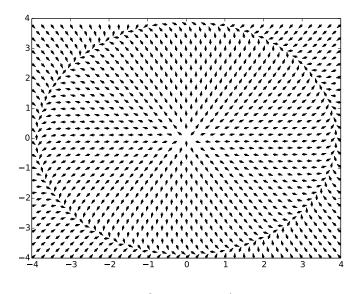
 $\lambda = 2.5$ 



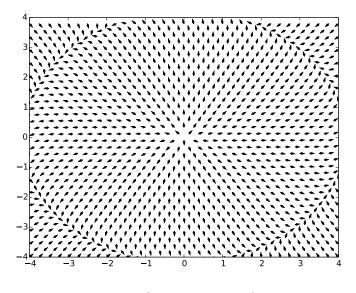
 $\lambda = 5$ 



 $\lambda = 10$ 



 $\lambda = 15$ 



 $\lambda = 17.5$ 

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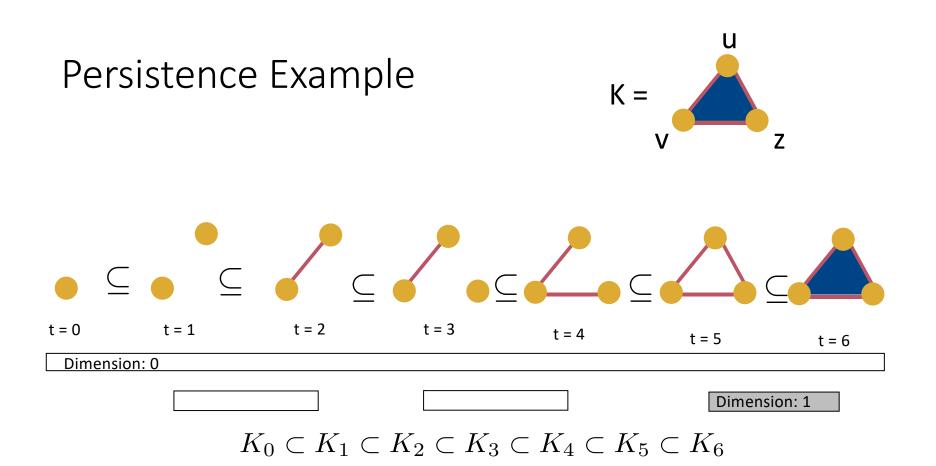
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Yes, by using persistence

## Persistent Homology

Summarizes changing homology of a filtration [ELZ00]

$$K_1 \subseteq K_2 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq K_n = K$$



Zigzag Persistence

#### $K_1 \subseteq K_2 \supseteq K_3 \subseteq \ldots \supseteq K_n$

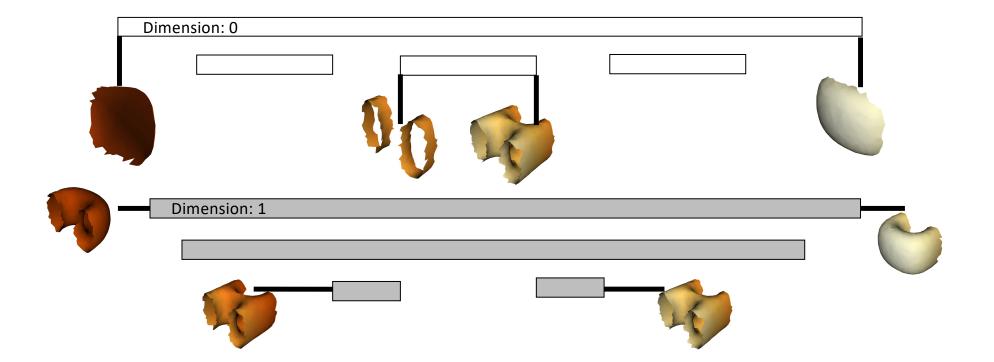


"Level Set" Persistence

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[CDM09] [DW07]

## Level Set Barcode



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#### **Multivectors**

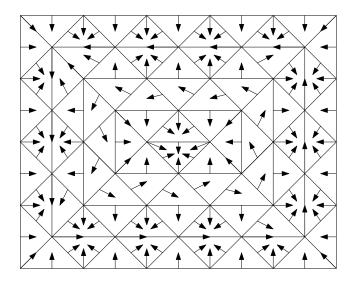
Let K denote a simplicial complex and  $\leq$  denote the face relation.

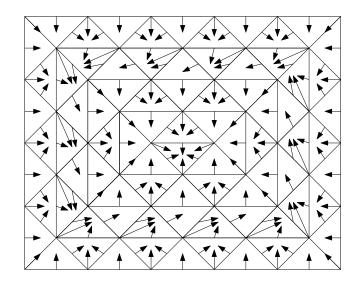
**Definition:** A <u>multivector</u> V is a convex subset of K with respect to  $\leq$  .

**Definition:** A <u>multivector field</u>  $\mathcal{V}$  is a partition of K into multivectors.

$$\mathcal{V} = \{\{b\}, \{c, bc\}, \{a, ab, ac, abc\}\}$$

## Multivector Fields





## Multivector Fields as a Dynamical System

Let 
$$\sigma \in K$$
. Then  $\operatorname{cl}(\sigma) = \{ \tau \in K \mid \tau \leq \sigma \}.$ 

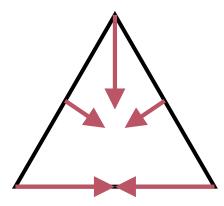
 $[\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}}$  denotes the vector in  $\mathcal{V}$  containing  $\sigma$ 

Dynamics generator  $F_{\mathcal{V}}$  :  $K \multimap K$  defined as:

$$F_{\mathcal{V}}\left(\sigma\right) = [\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}} \cup \mathsf{cl}\left(\sigma\right)$$

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Multivector field

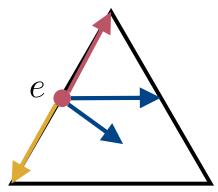
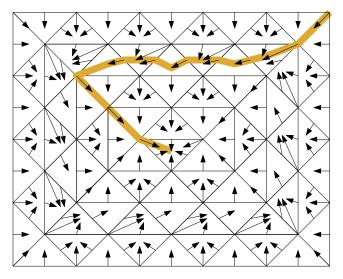


Image of marked edge  $\mathcal{C}$ Blue simplices are in  $[e]_{\mathcal{V}} \setminus cl(e)$ Yellow simplices are in  $cl(e) \setminus [e]_{\mathcal{V}}$ Red simplices are in  $[e]_{\mathcal{V}} \cap cl(e)$ 

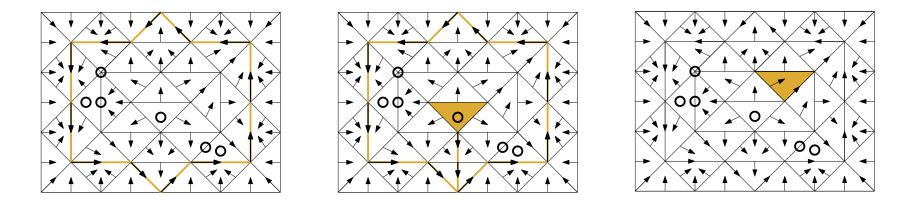
#### Paths

**<u>Definition</u>**: A path is a finite sequence of simplices  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \ldots, \sigma_n$  such that  $\sigma_{i+1} \in F_{\mathcal{V}}(\sigma_i)$ 



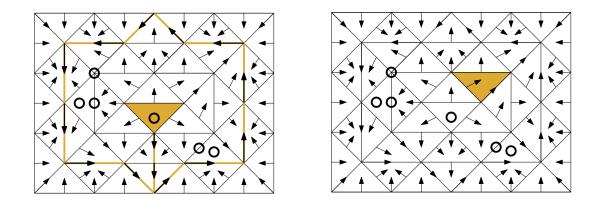
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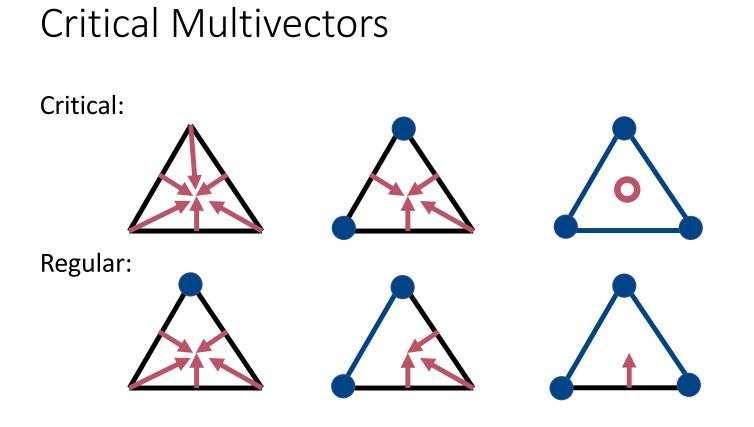


But as  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(\sigma) = [\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}} \cup \mathsf{cl}(\sigma)$  , every simplex gives a solution!

#### **Critical Multivectors**

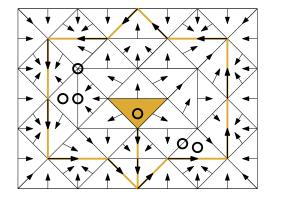
**Definition:** Let  $A \subseteq K$ . The mouth of A is defined as  $mo(A) := cl(A) \setminus A$ 

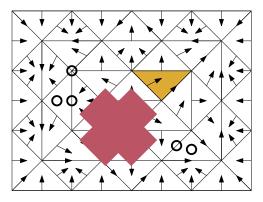
**<u>Definition</u>**: A multivector  $[\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}}$  is critical if there exists a k such that  $H_k(\mathsf{cl}([\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}}), \mathsf{mo}([\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}}))$  is nontrivial.



#### **Essential Solutions**

<u>Definition</u>: Let  $\ldots, \sigma_{-1}, \sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \ldots$  denote a solution. If for each  $\sigma_i$  where  $[\sigma_i]_{\mathcal{V}}$  is noncritical, there exists a j > i and j' < i where  $[\sigma_i]_{\mathcal{V}} \neq [\sigma_j]_{\mathcal{V}}$  and  $[\sigma_i]_{\mathcal{V}} \neq [\sigma_{j'}]_{\mathcal{V}}$ , then  $\ldots, \sigma_{-1}, \sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \ldots$  is an essential solution.

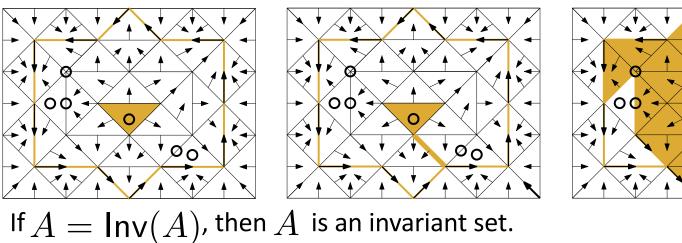




#### **Invariant Sets**

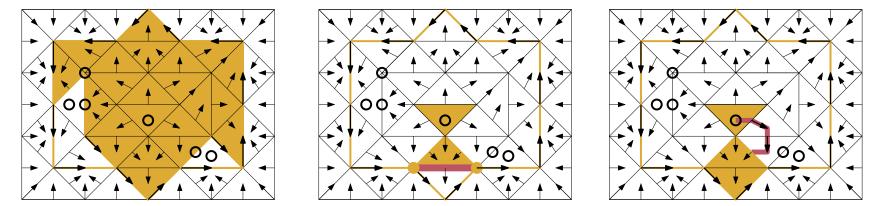
**<u>Definition</u>**: Let  $A \subseteq K$ . The invariant part of A, denoted  $\operatorname{Inv}(A)$ , is the set of simplices in A which appear in an essential solution in A.

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#### Isolated Invariant Sets

**Definition:** Let  $A \subseteq N \subseteq K$ , where A is an invariant set and N is closed (i.e.  $N = \operatorname{cl}(N)$ ). If every path in N with endpoints in A is contained in A, then A is an isolated invariant set, and N is an isolating neighborhood for A.

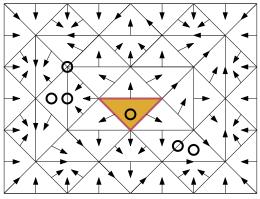


#### **Index Pairs**

**Definition:** Let A be an isolated invariant set, and E and P closed sets such that  $E \subseteq P$ . If:

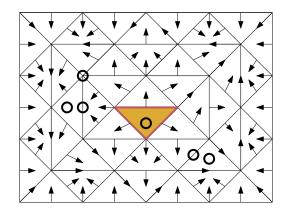
1.  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(E) \cap P \subset E$ , 2.  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(P \setminus E) \subseteq P$ , and 3.  $A = \operatorname{Inv}(P \setminus E)$ 

Then (P, E) is an index pair for A.

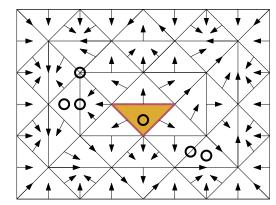


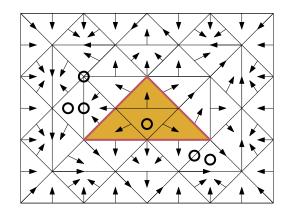
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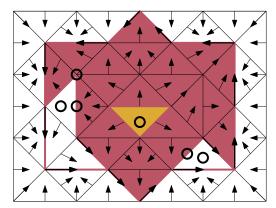
Theorem [LKMW2019]: Let A denote an isolated invariant set. The pair  $({\rm cl}(A),{\rm mo}(A))$  is an index pair for A .



## Index Pairs are Not Unique





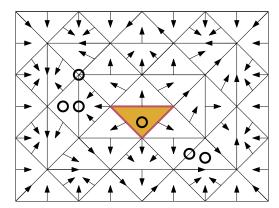


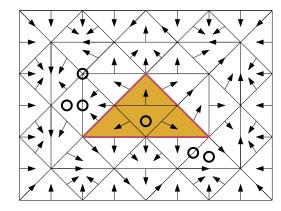
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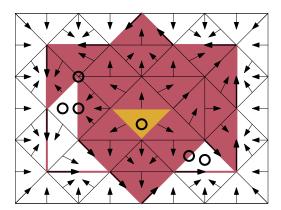
**<u>Definition</u>**: Let (P,E) be an index pair for A . Then the k-dimensional Conley Index is given by  $H_k(P,E)$ .

**<u>Theorem [LKMW 2019]</u>**: The k-dimensional Conley Index for A is well defined.

# **Conley Indices**







## $H_2(R \cup Y, R) = \mathbb{Z}_2$

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[DMS20] T. K. Dey, M. Mrozek, R. Slechta. "Persistence of the Conley Index in Combinatorial Dynamical Systems." SoCG 2020.

#### Conley Index Persistence

First attempt: for each  $\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2, \ldots, \mathcal{V}_n$ , compute an isolated invariant set,  $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n$  and corresponding index pairs.

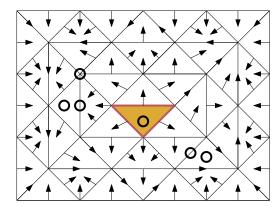
$$(\mathsf{cl}(A_1),\mathsf{mo}(A_1)),(\mathsf{cl}(A_2),\mathsf{mo}(A_2)),\ldots,(\mathsf{cl}(A_n),\mathsf{mo}(A_n)))$$

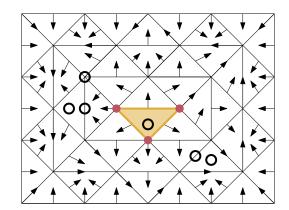
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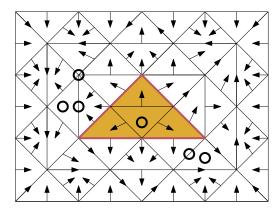
 $\ldots \subseteq (\mathsf{cl}(A_i), \mathsf{mo}(A_i)) \supseteq (\mathsf{cl}(A_i) \cap \mathsf{cl}(A_{i+1}), \mathsf{mo}(A_i) \cap \mathsf{mo}(A_{i+1})) \subseteq (\mathsf{cl}(A_{i+1}), \mathsf{mo}(A_{i+1})) \supseteq \ldots$ 

**Problem:**  $(cl(A_i) \cap cl(A_{i+1}), mo(A_i) \cap mo(A_{i+1}))$  generally not an index pair.

## Intersection Example

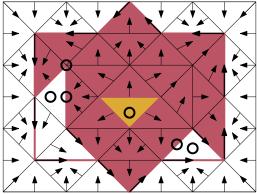






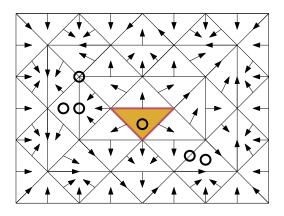
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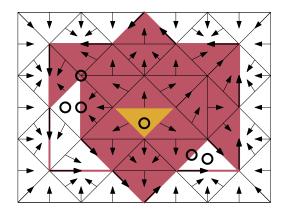
Let  $E \subset P \subseteq N$  for closed P, E, N, and  $A \subset N$ . If: 1.  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(P) \cap N \subseteq P$  , 2.  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(E) \cap N \subseteq E$ , 3.  $F_{\mathcal{V}}(P \setminus E) \subseteq N$  , and  $\mathbf{O}\mathbf{O}$ 4.  $A = Inv(P \setminus E)$ then (P, E) is an index pair in N.



#### Push Forward

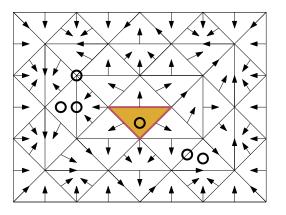
Let  $A \subseteq K$  denote an arbitrary set in some closed N. Then the push forward of A in N is A together with all simplices in N which are reachable from paths originating in A and contained in N.

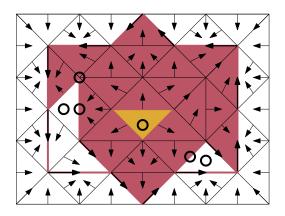




## Finding Index Pairs in N

**<u>Theorem [DMS20]</u>**: Let A denote an isolated invariant set, and let N denote an isolating neighborhood for A. The pair (pf(cl(A)), pf(mo(A))) is an index pair in N for A.





## Index Pairs in an Isolating Neighborhood

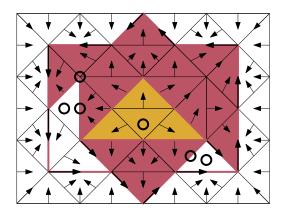
**Theorem (DMS20):** Index Pairs in N are index pairs.

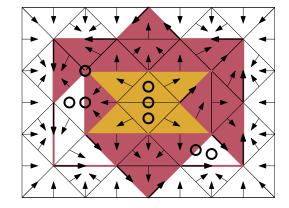
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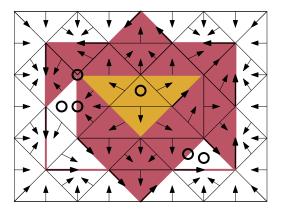
 $\mathcal{V}_1 \overline{\cap} \mathcal{V}_2 = \{ V_1 \cap V_2 \mid V_1 \in \mathcal{V}_1, \ V_2 \in \mathcal{V}_2 \}$ 

<u>Theorem (DMS20)</u>: Let  $(P_1, E_1)$ ,  $(P_2, E_2)$  denote index pairs in Nunder  $\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2$ . The pair  $(P_1 \cap P_2, E_1 \cap E_2)$  is an index pair in N under  $\mathcal{V}_1 \overline{\cap} \mathcal{V}_2$  for  $\operatorname{Inv}((P_1 \cap P_2) \setminus (E_1 \cap E_2))$ 

#### Intersection Example







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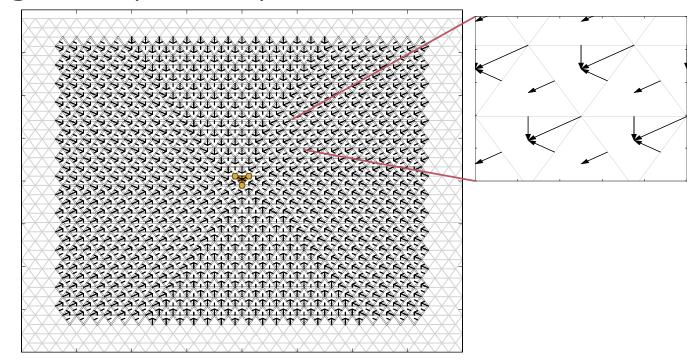
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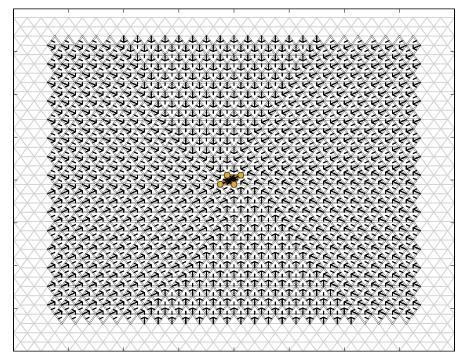
Fix N, and for each  $\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2, \ldots, \mathcal{V}_n$ , compute the maximal invariant set in N, denoted  $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n$ , and corresponding index pairs.

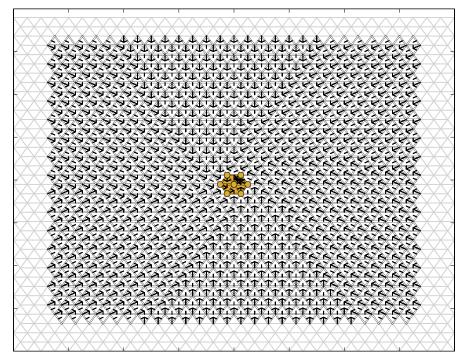
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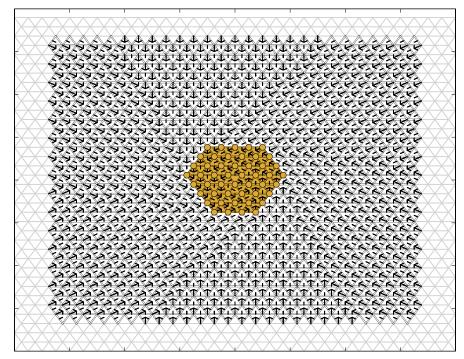
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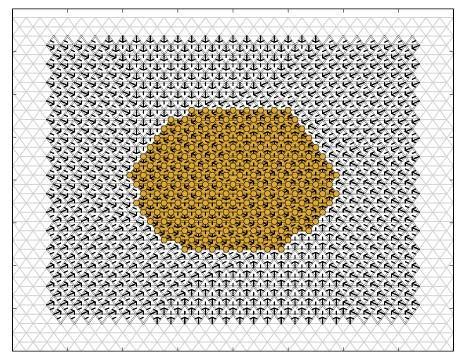
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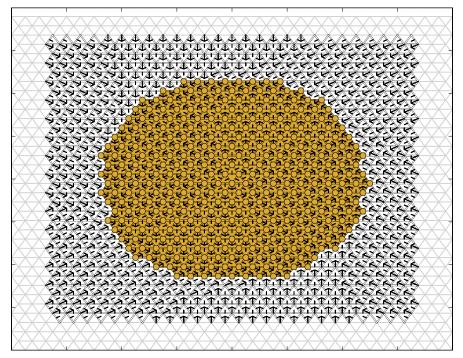


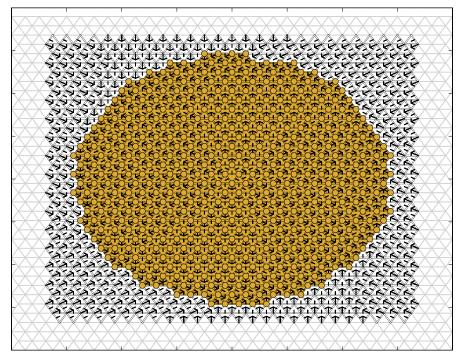


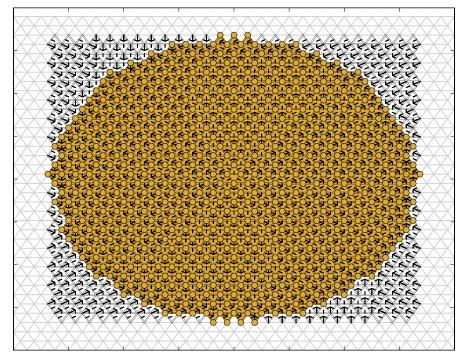


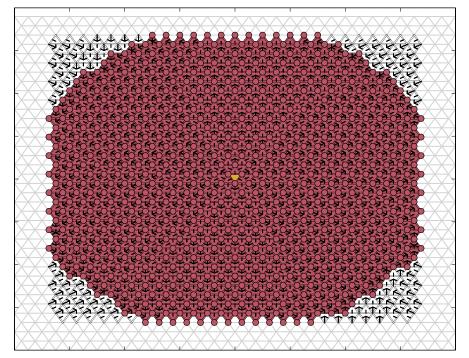


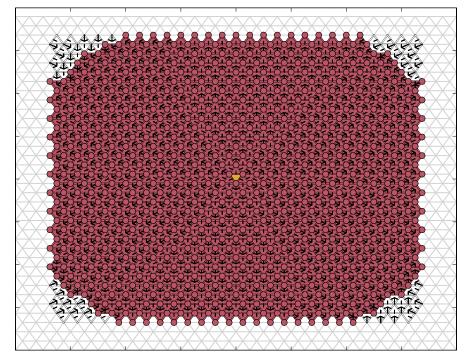




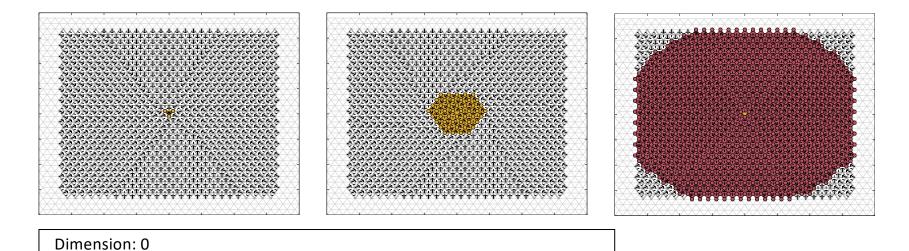






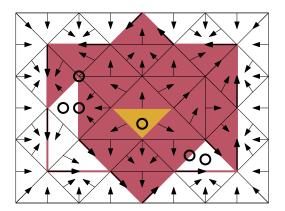


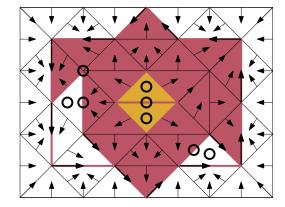
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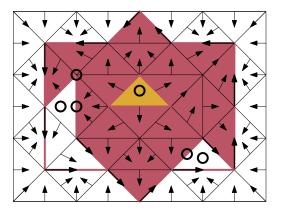


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## Problem: Noise Resilience





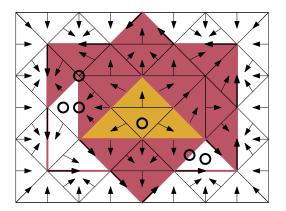


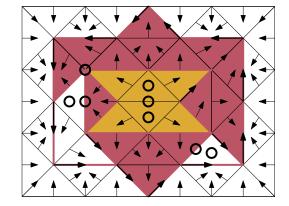
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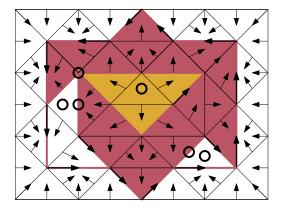
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## Solution: Make E Smaller



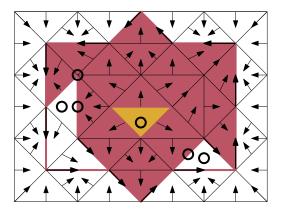


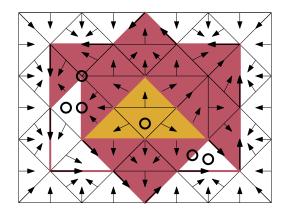


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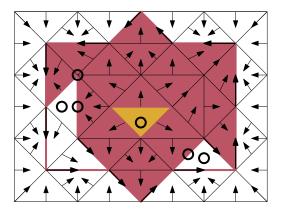
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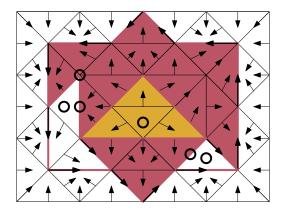




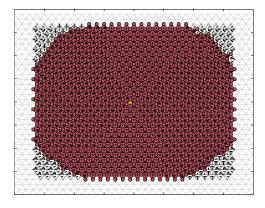
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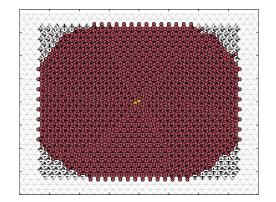
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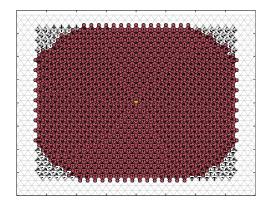




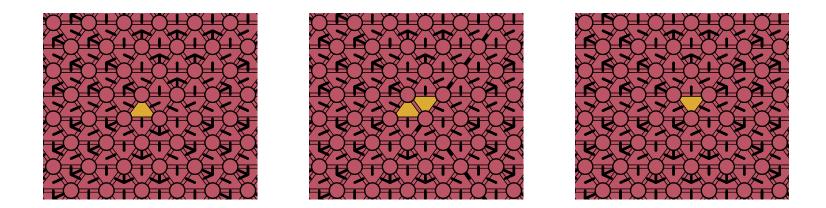
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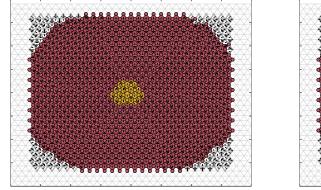


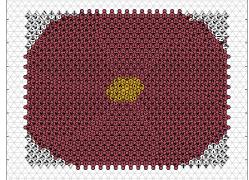


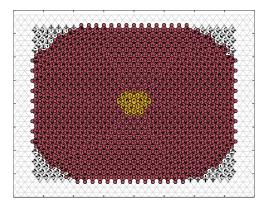
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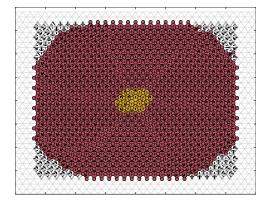


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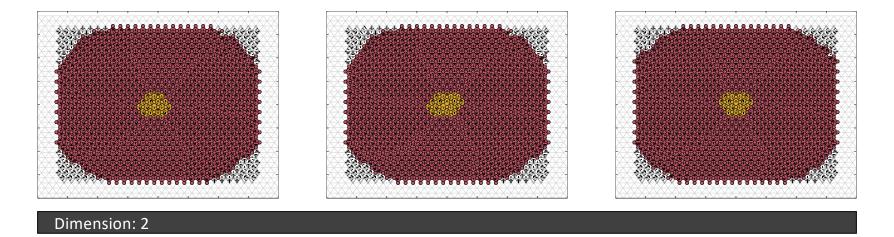
#### MakeNoiseResilient( P, E, A, $\delta$ ):

while there exists a regular multivector  $V \subset E$  such that  $E \setminus V$  is closed and  $d(V, A) \le \delta$ :





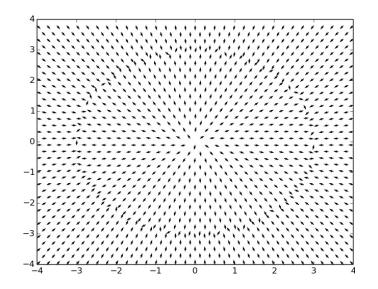
#### **Theorem [DMS'20]:** This algorithm outputs index pairs

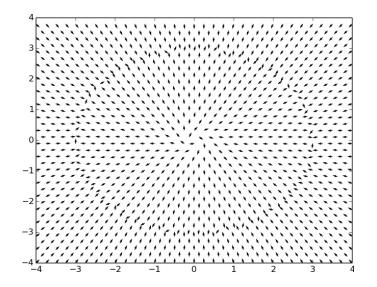


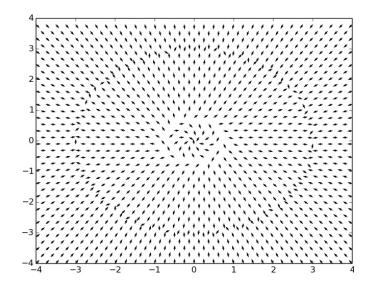
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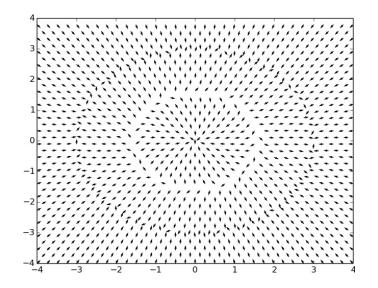
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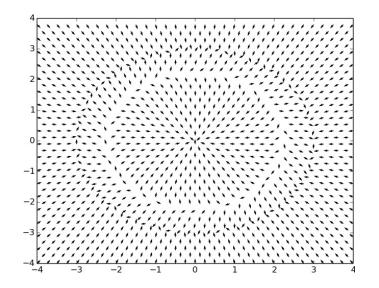
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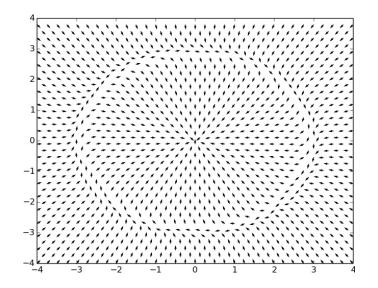




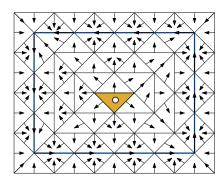


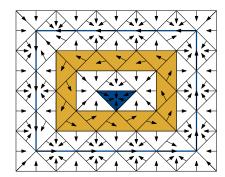


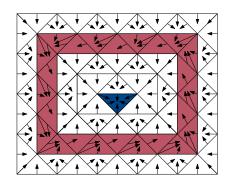




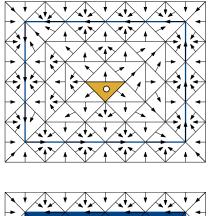
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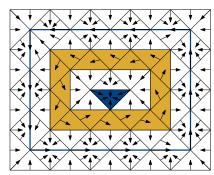


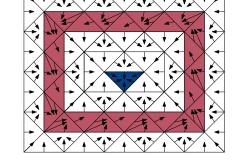


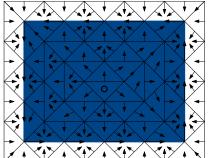


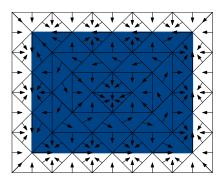
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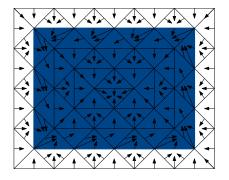






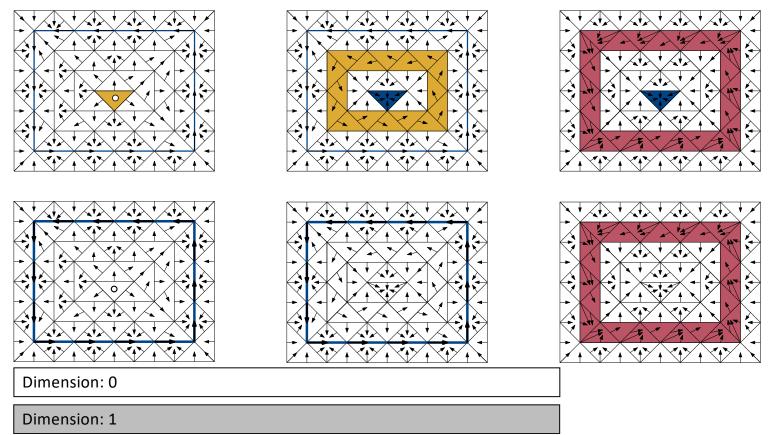






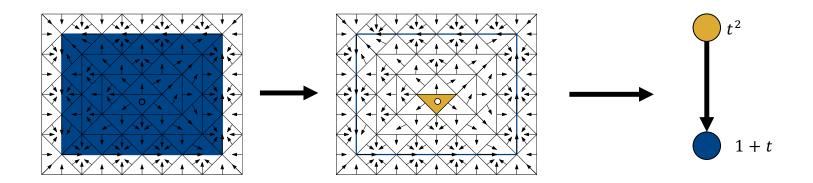
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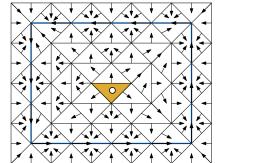


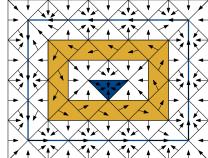
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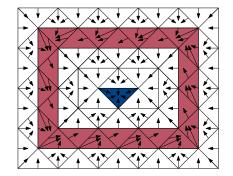
A Morse decomposition graph equipped with information about the Conley Index

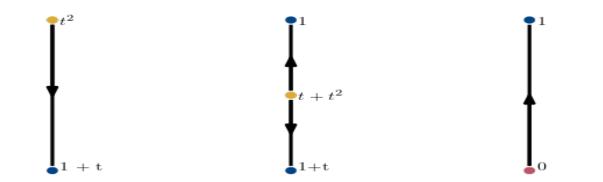


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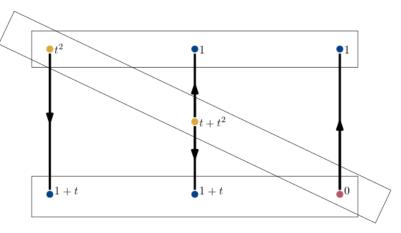
## Conley-Morse Graph Persistence

Two types of filtrations:

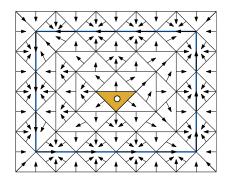
- 1. Graph Filtrations
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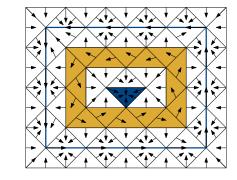
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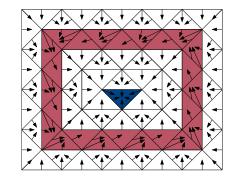
- 1. Assume every isolated invariant set is isolated by the same N.
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- 3. Find all "maximal" sequences of index pairs across Conley-Morse graphs with nontrivial intersection.

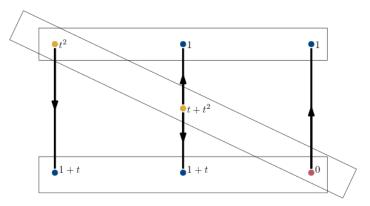


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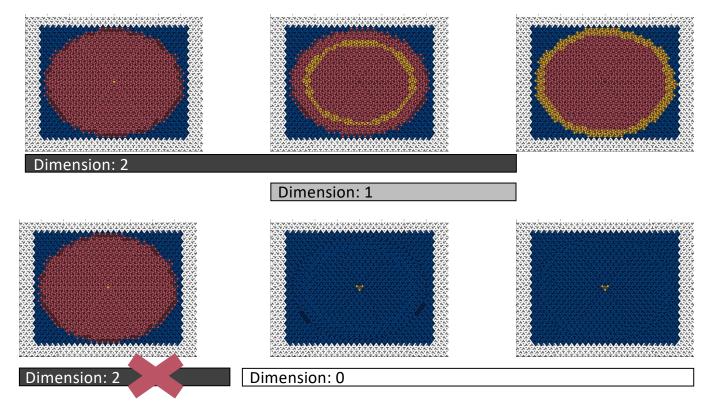








# Conley-Morse Barcodes



Dimension: 0		Periodic attractor		
Dimension:	1			
	Dimension: 0		Attracting fixed point	
Dimension: 2 Dimension: 1		Repelling fixed po periodic repeller	Repelling fixed point AND periodic repeller	
Dimension:	<b>— — — — — — — — — — — — — —</b>		Graph connected component	

### Conclusion & Future Work

- In this presentation: devised method to capture changes in combinatorial dynamical systems. But...
- Stability?
- Inference?

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