

# Advanced Data Visualization

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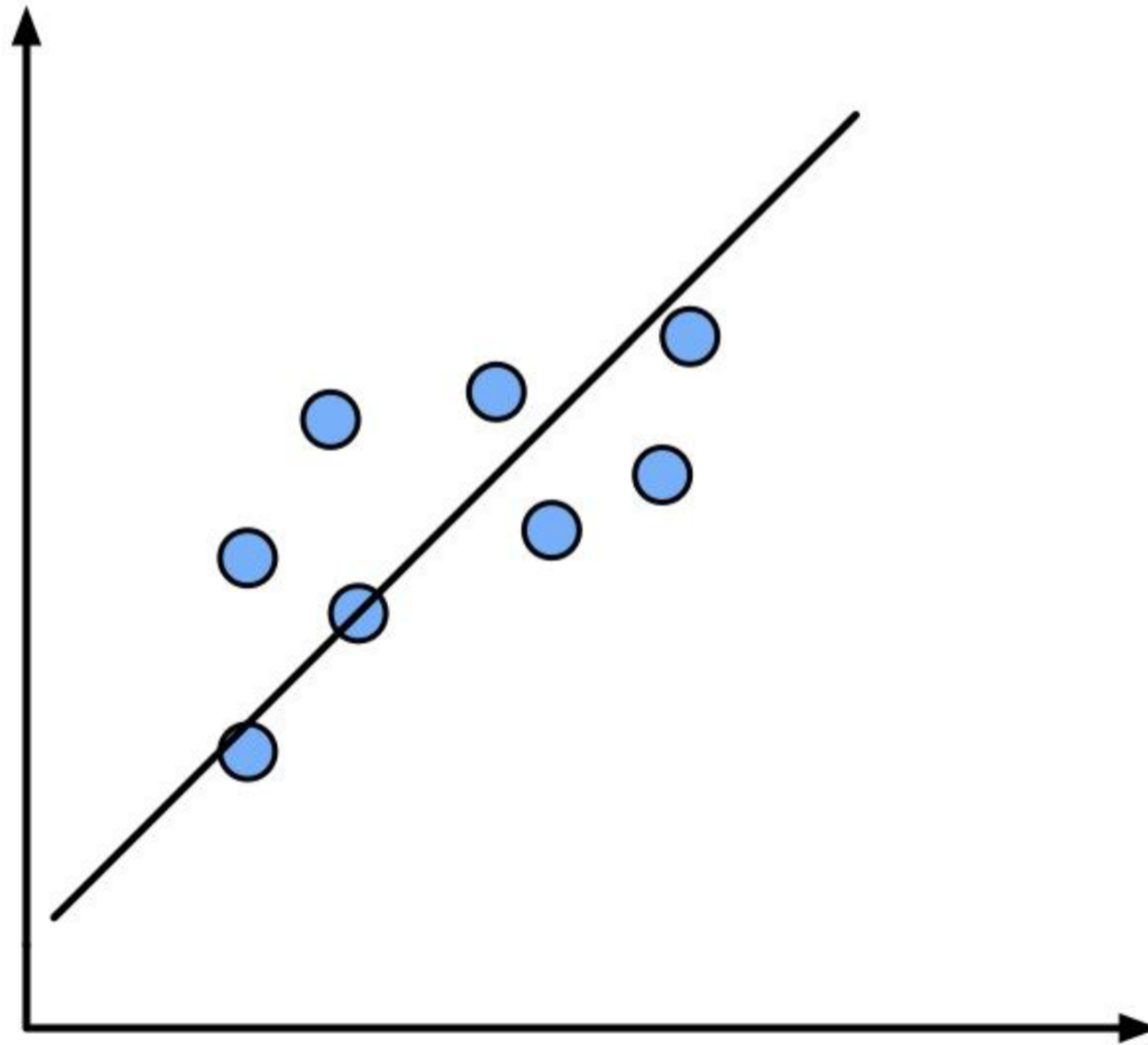
Lecture 26

# Structural Inference of High-dim Data

HD+TOPO

“Data has shape, and shape matters.”  
– Gunnar Carlsson

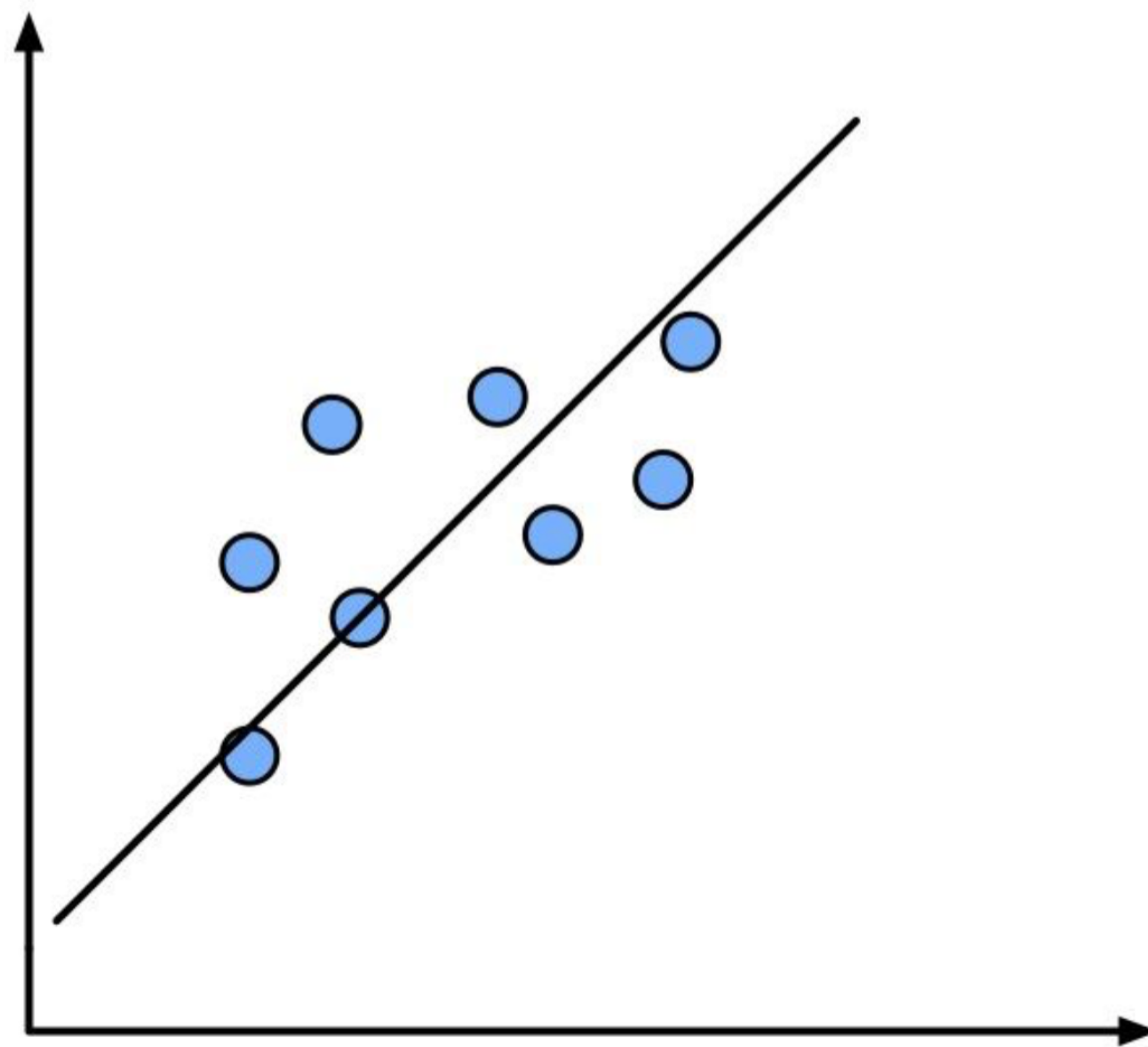
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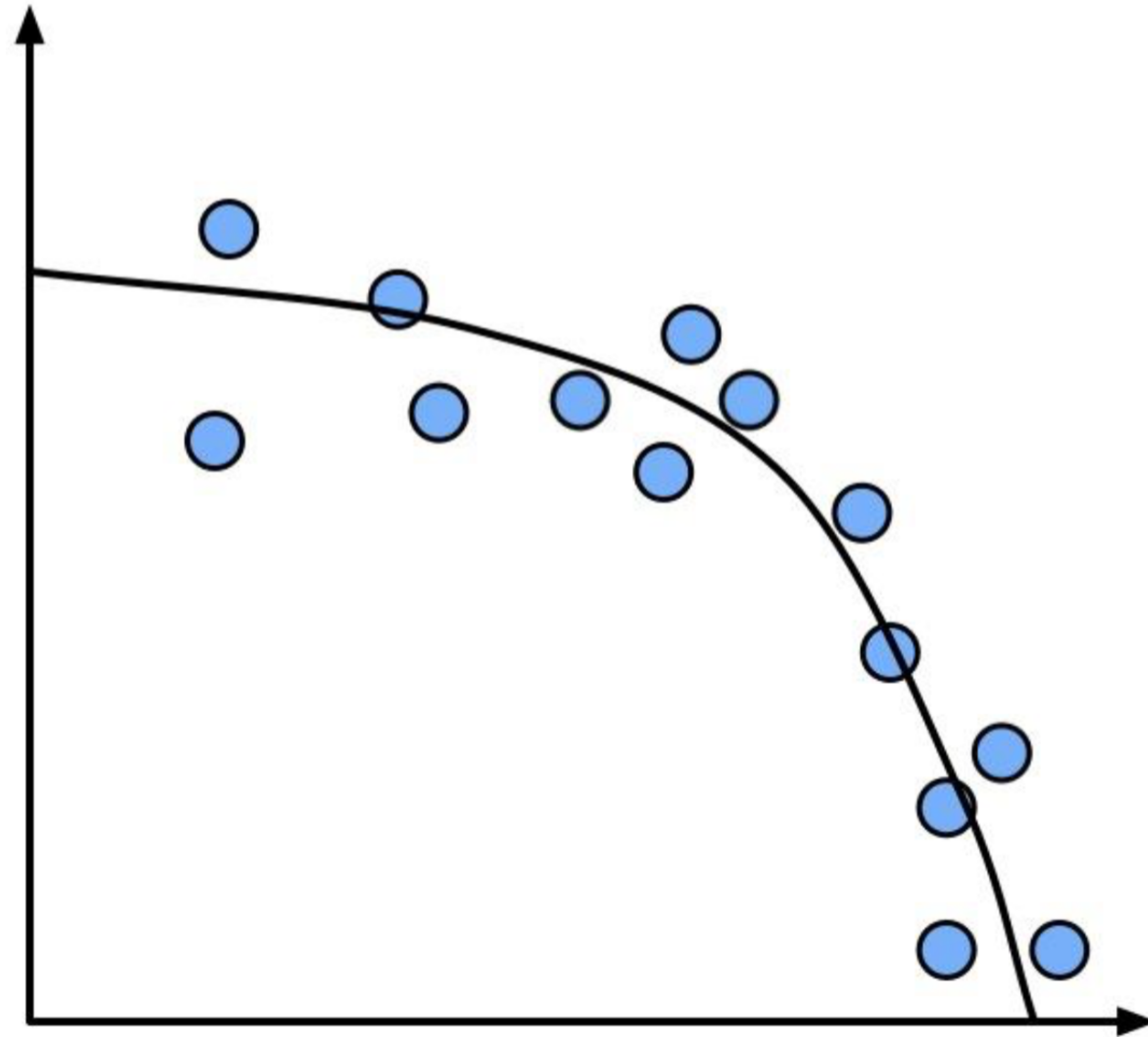
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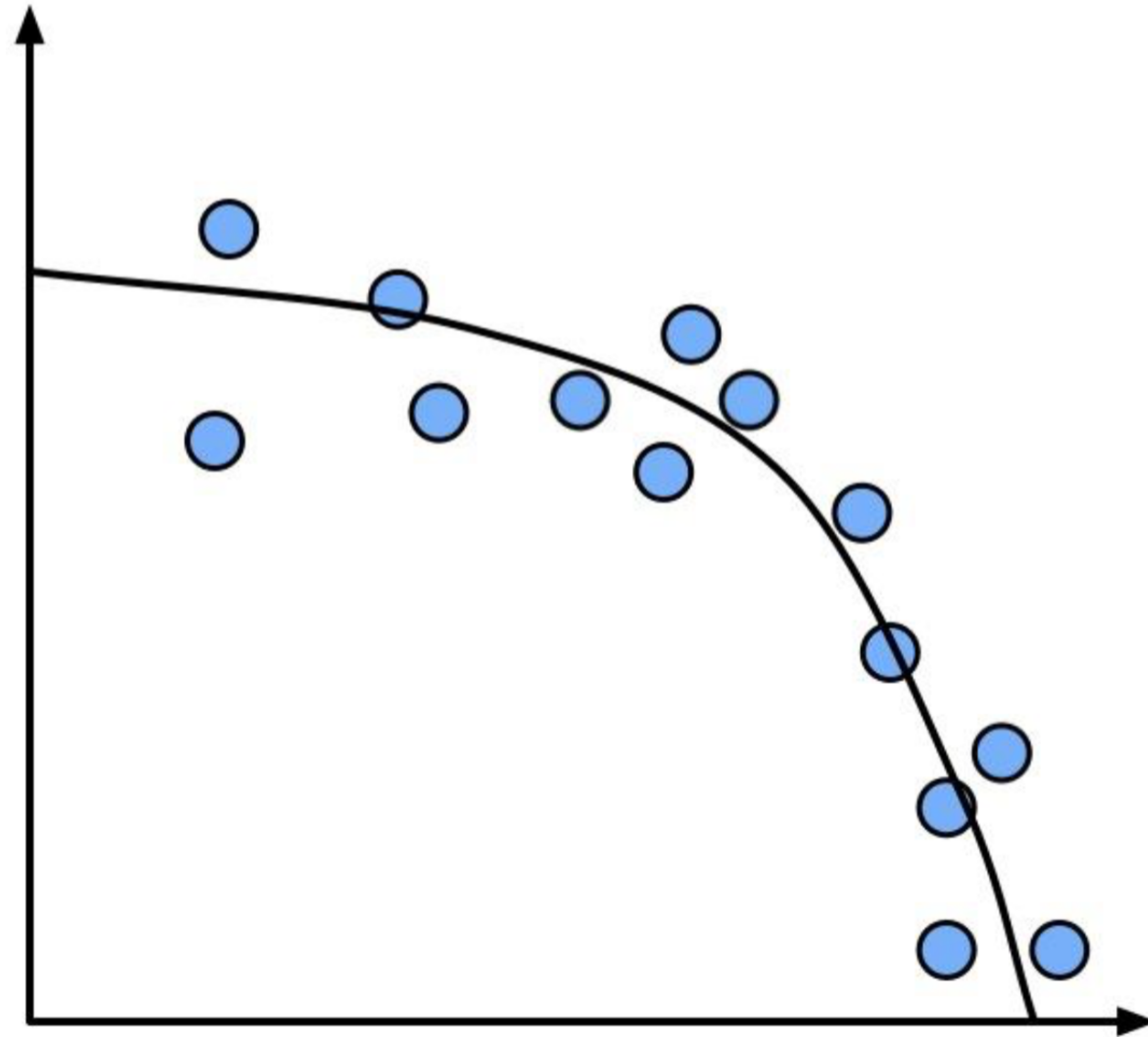
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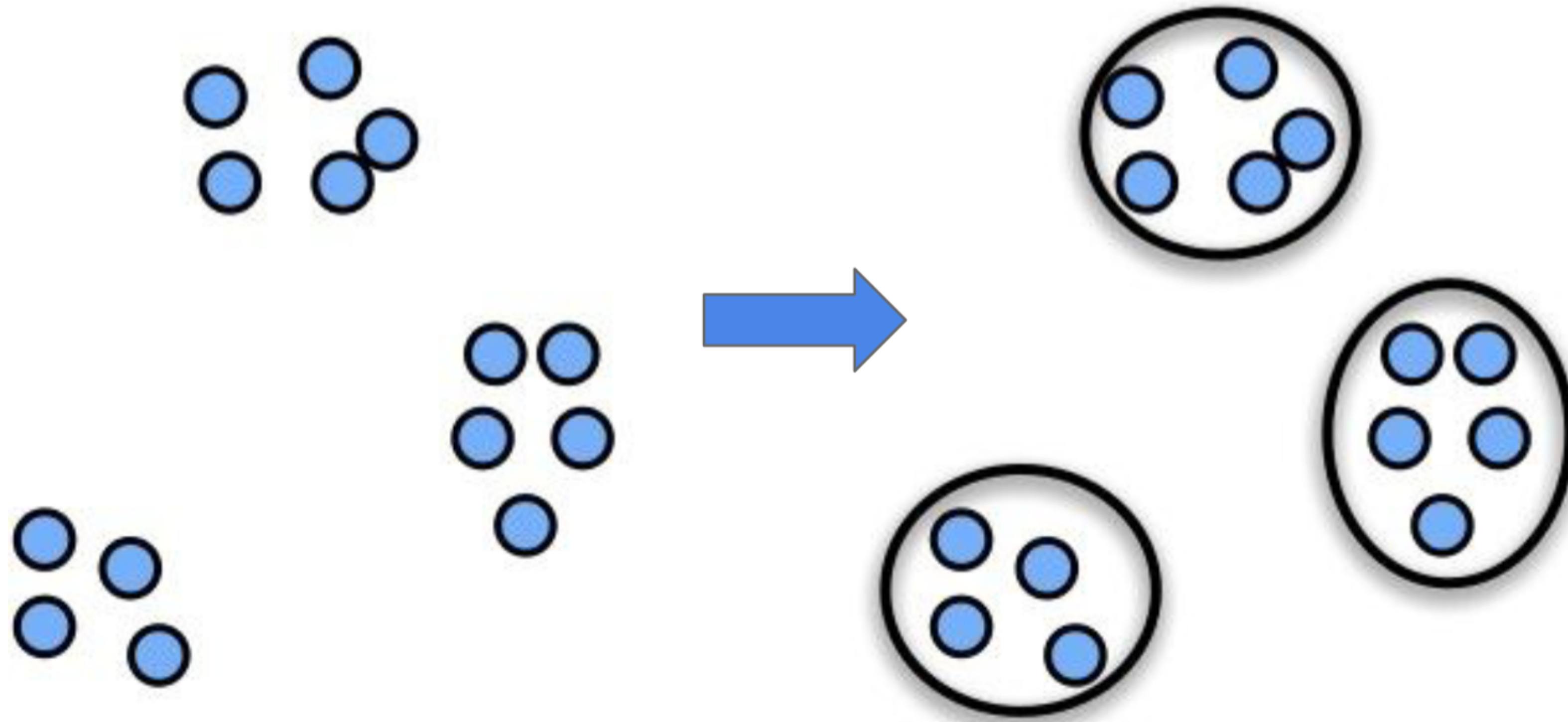
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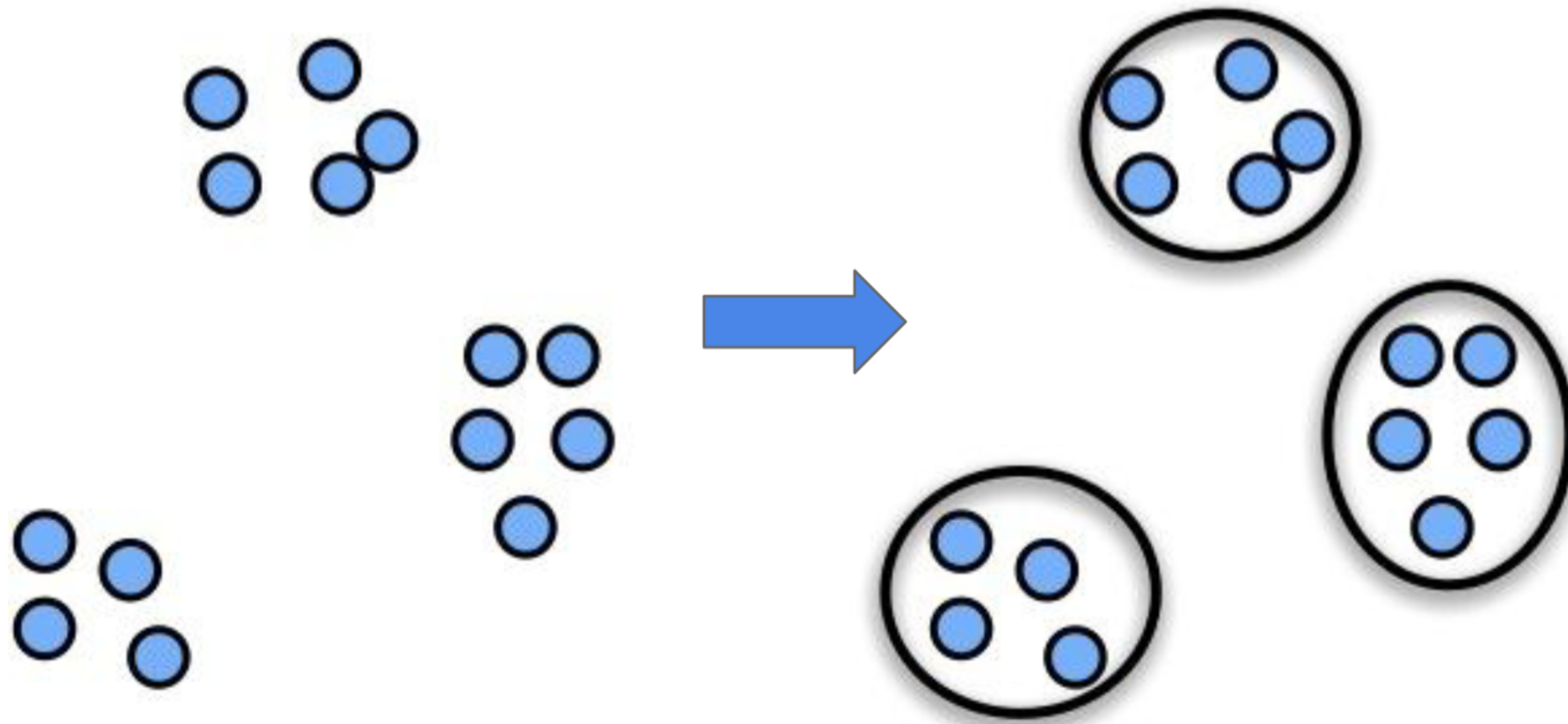


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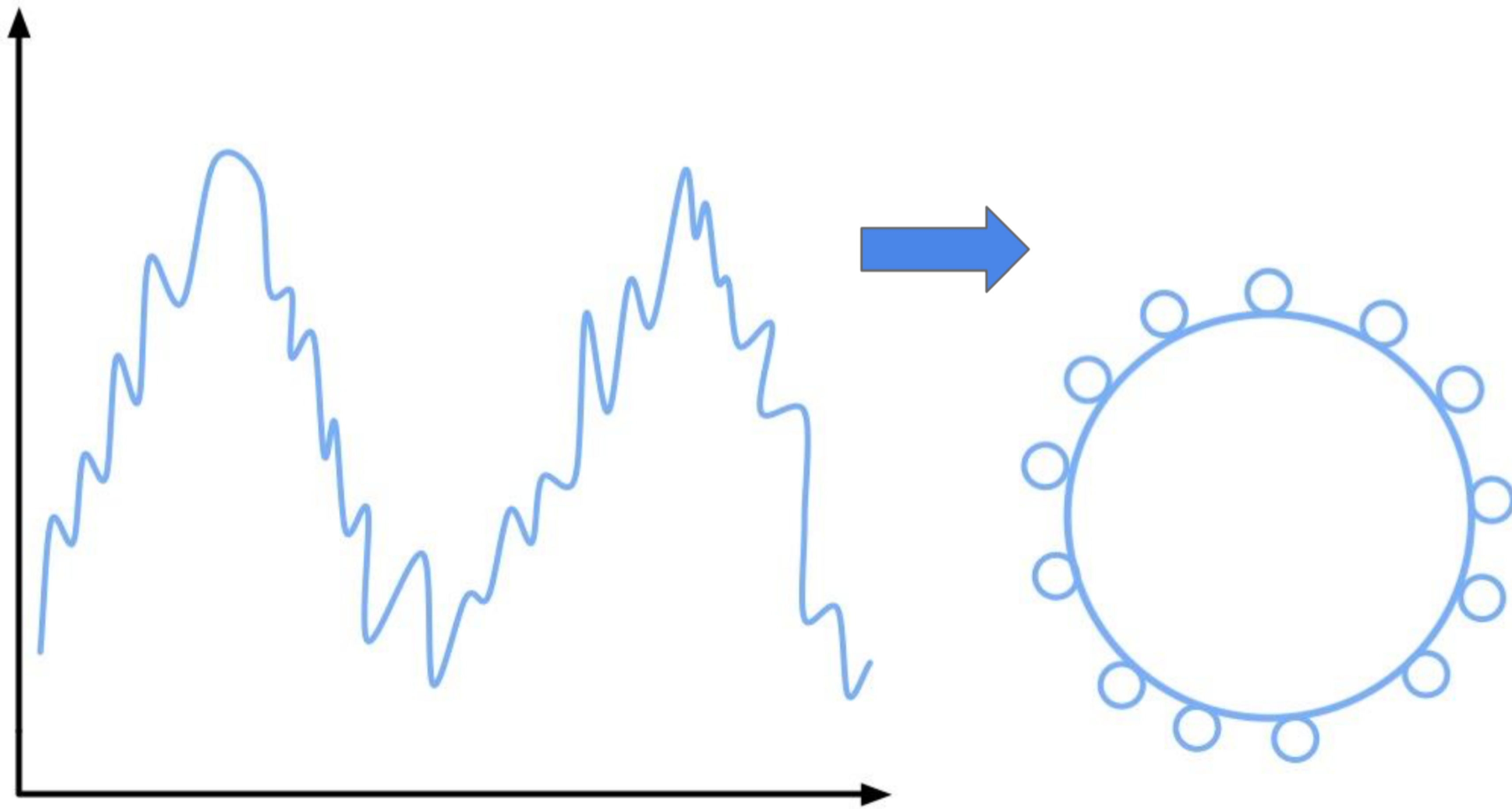
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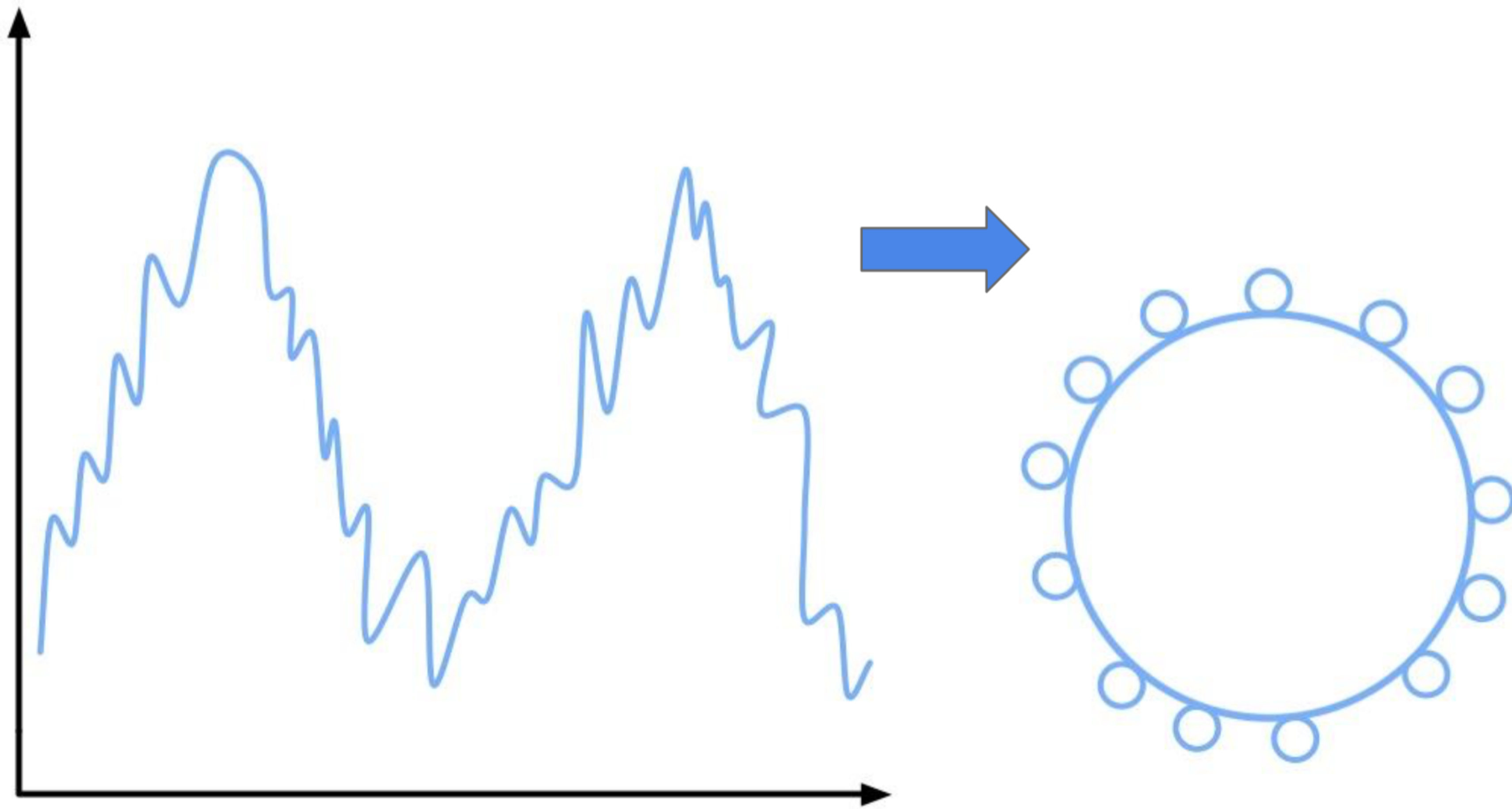
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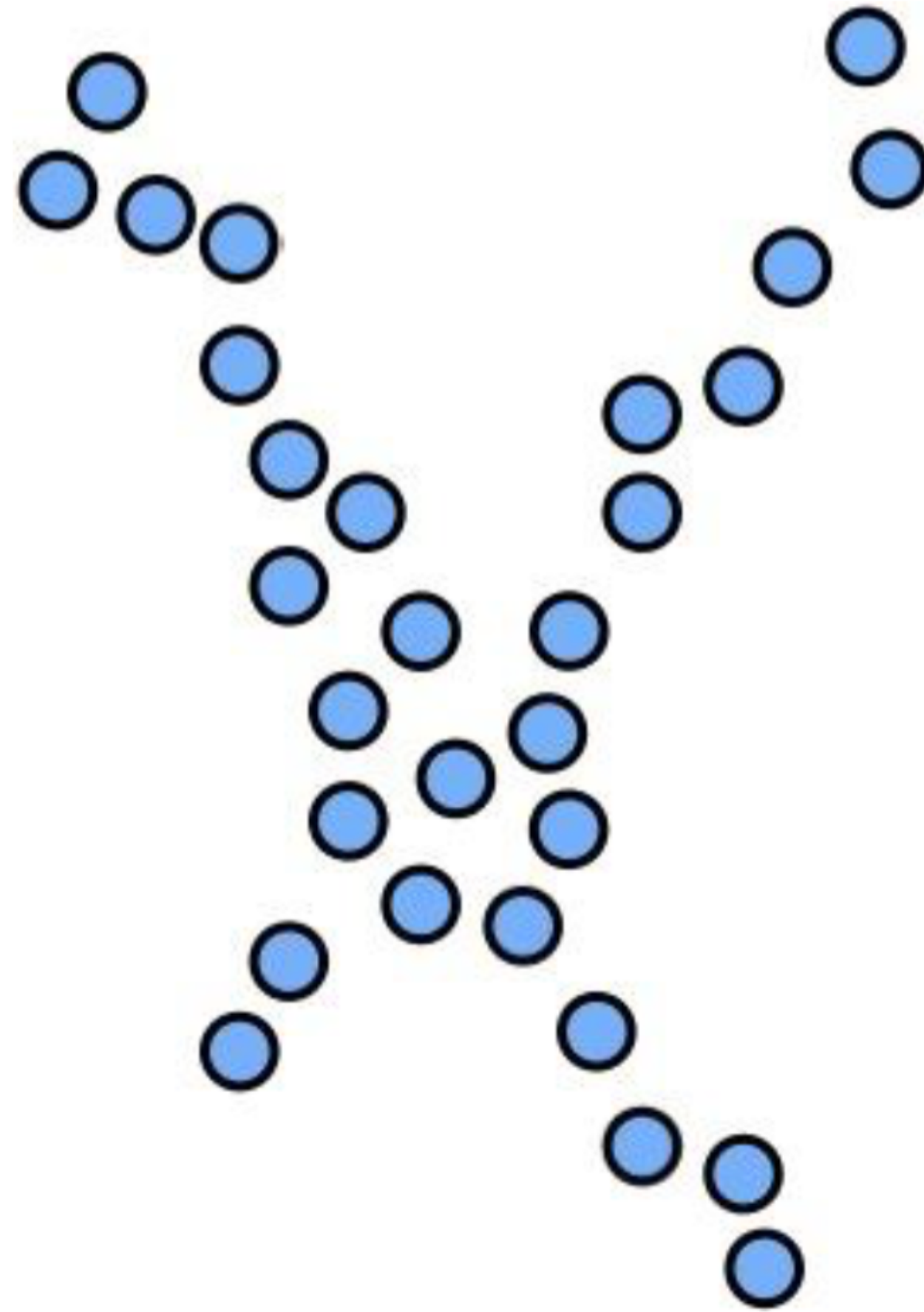
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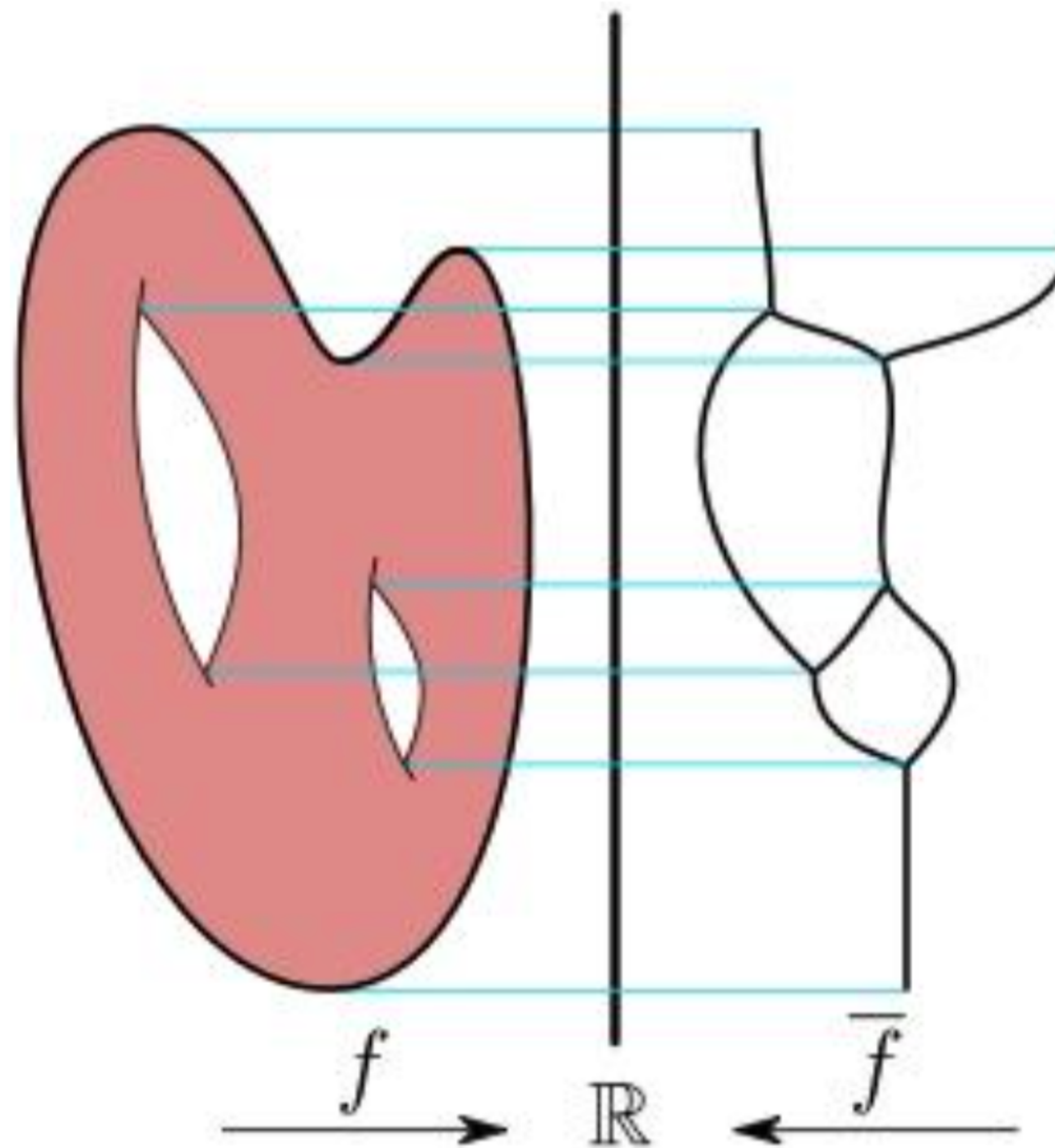
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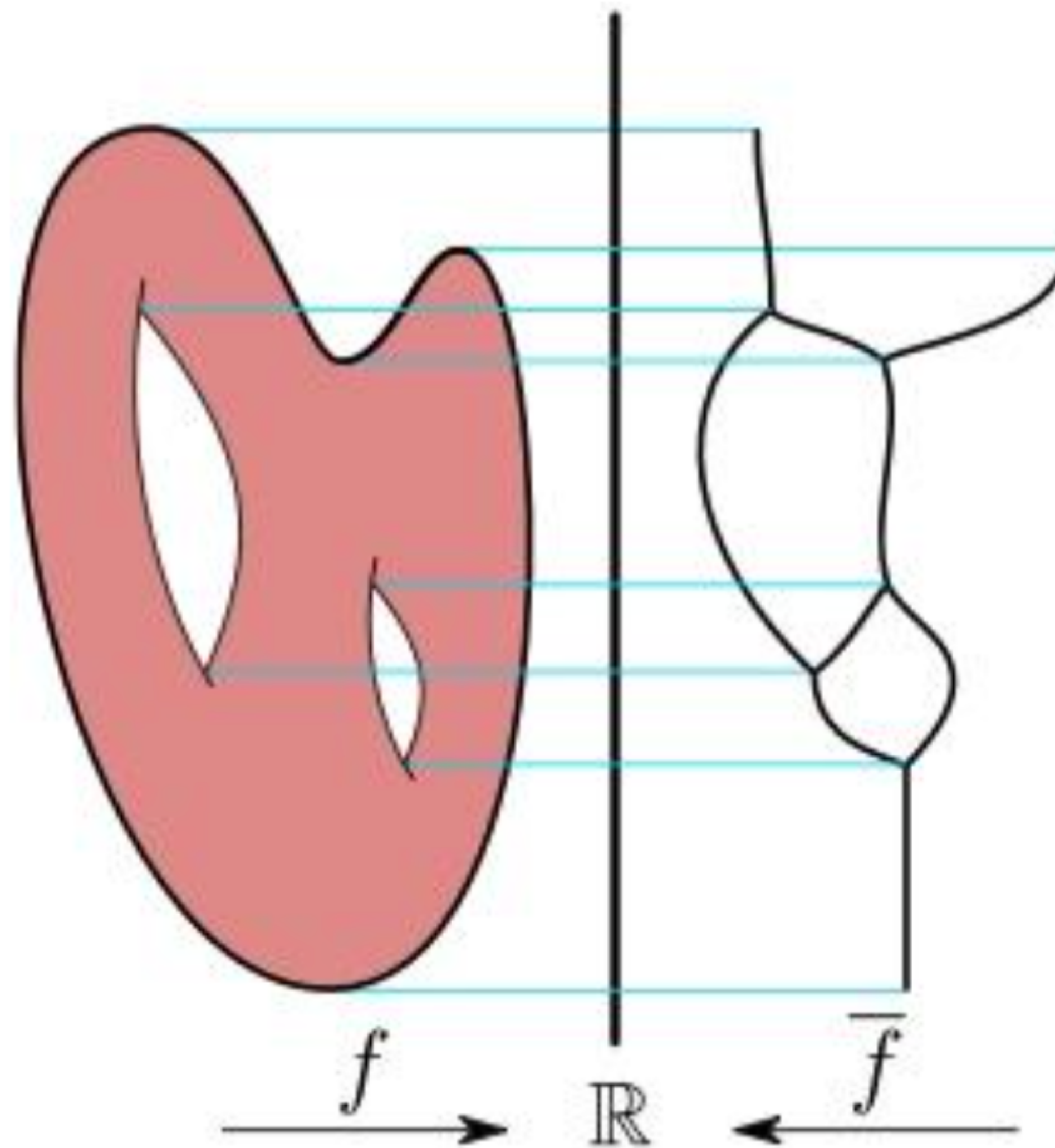
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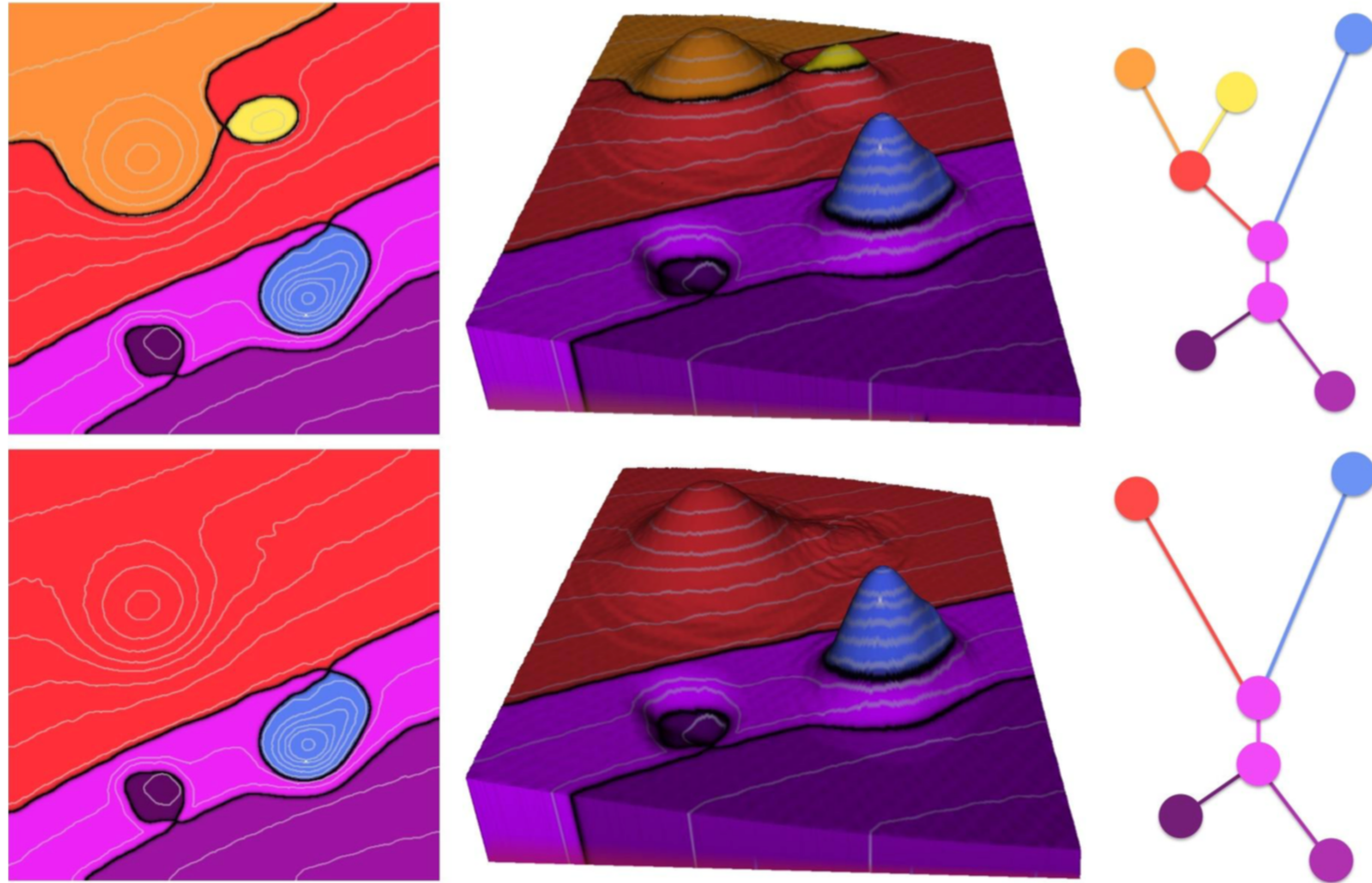
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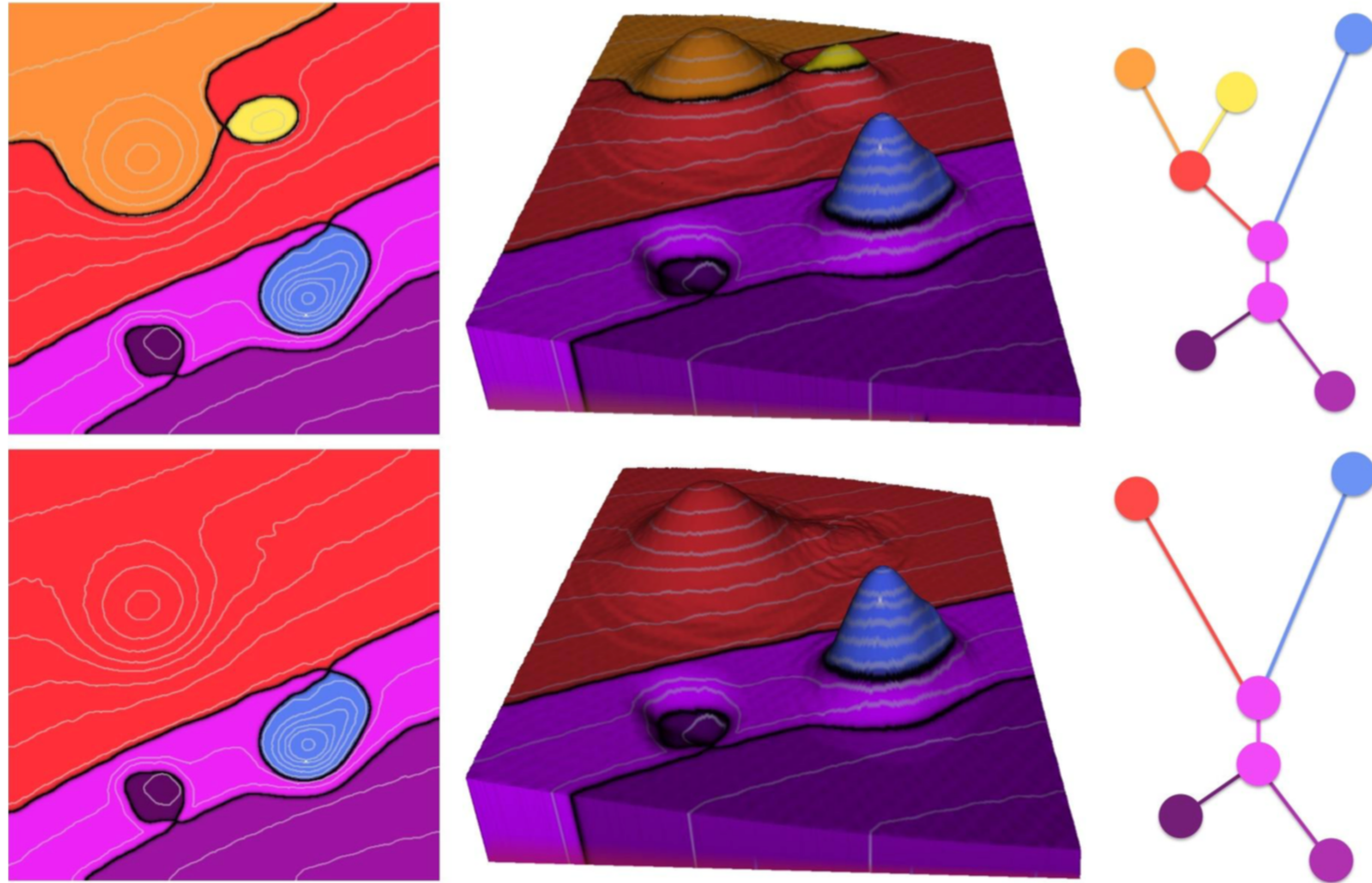


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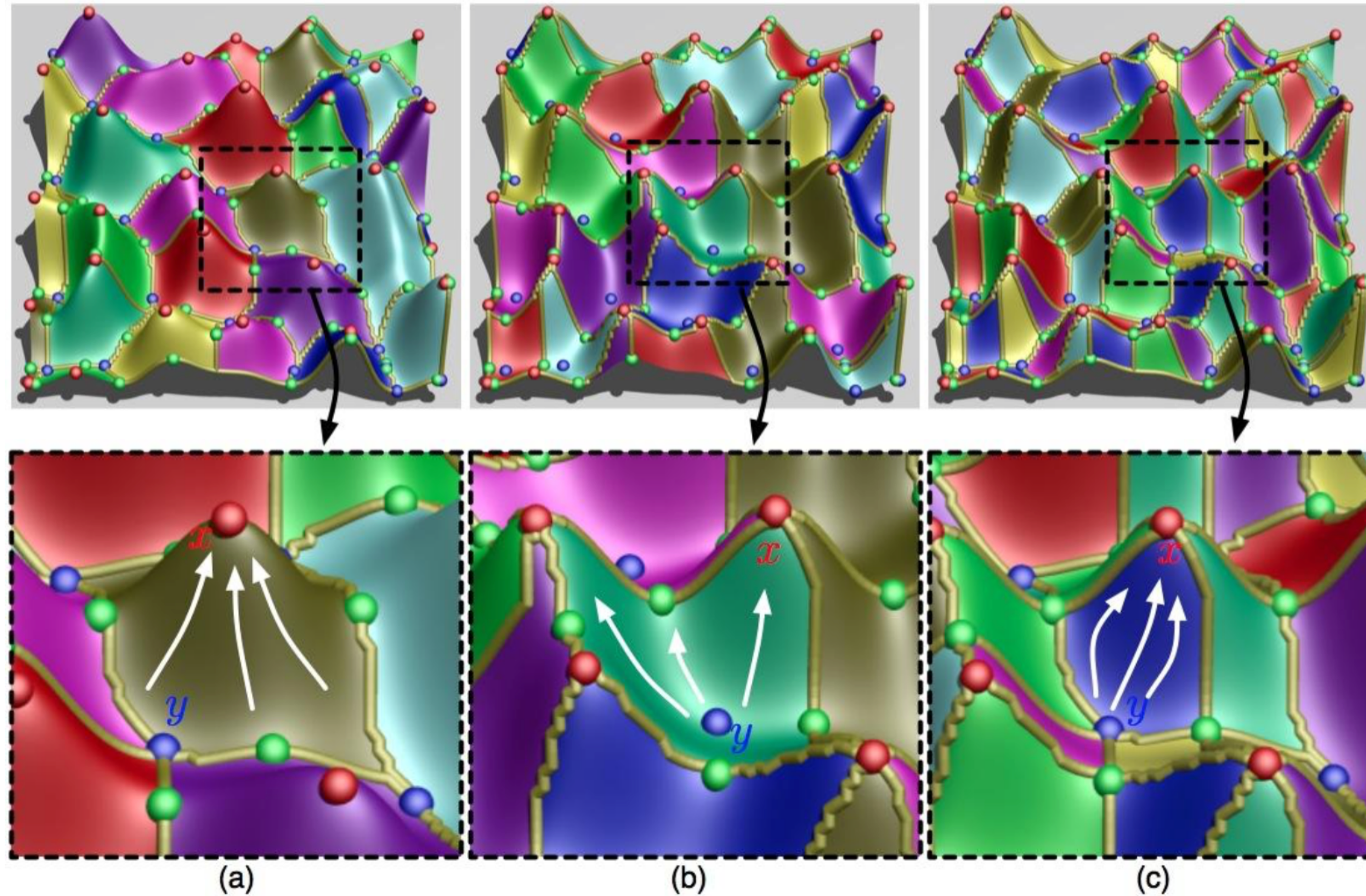
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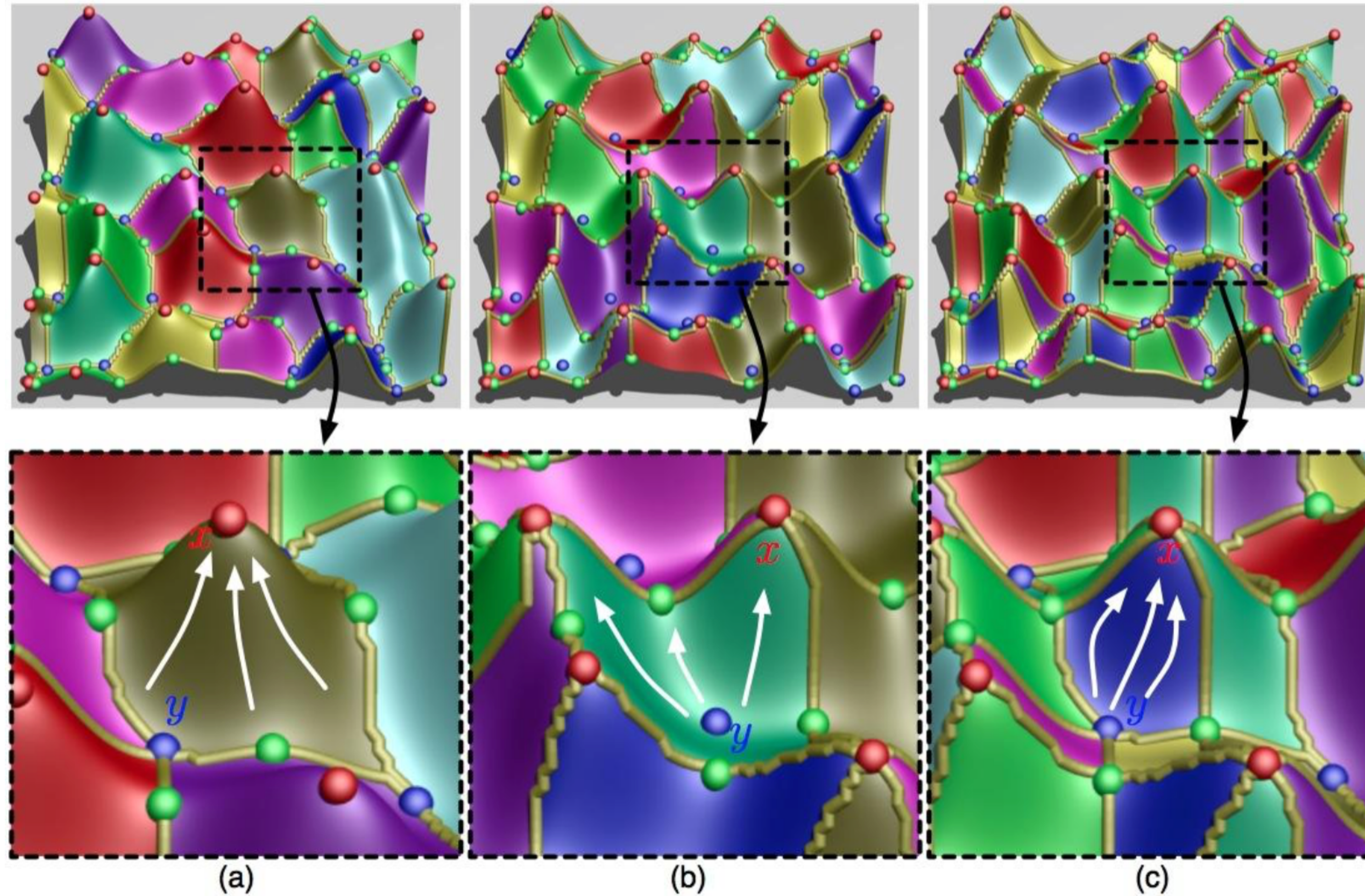
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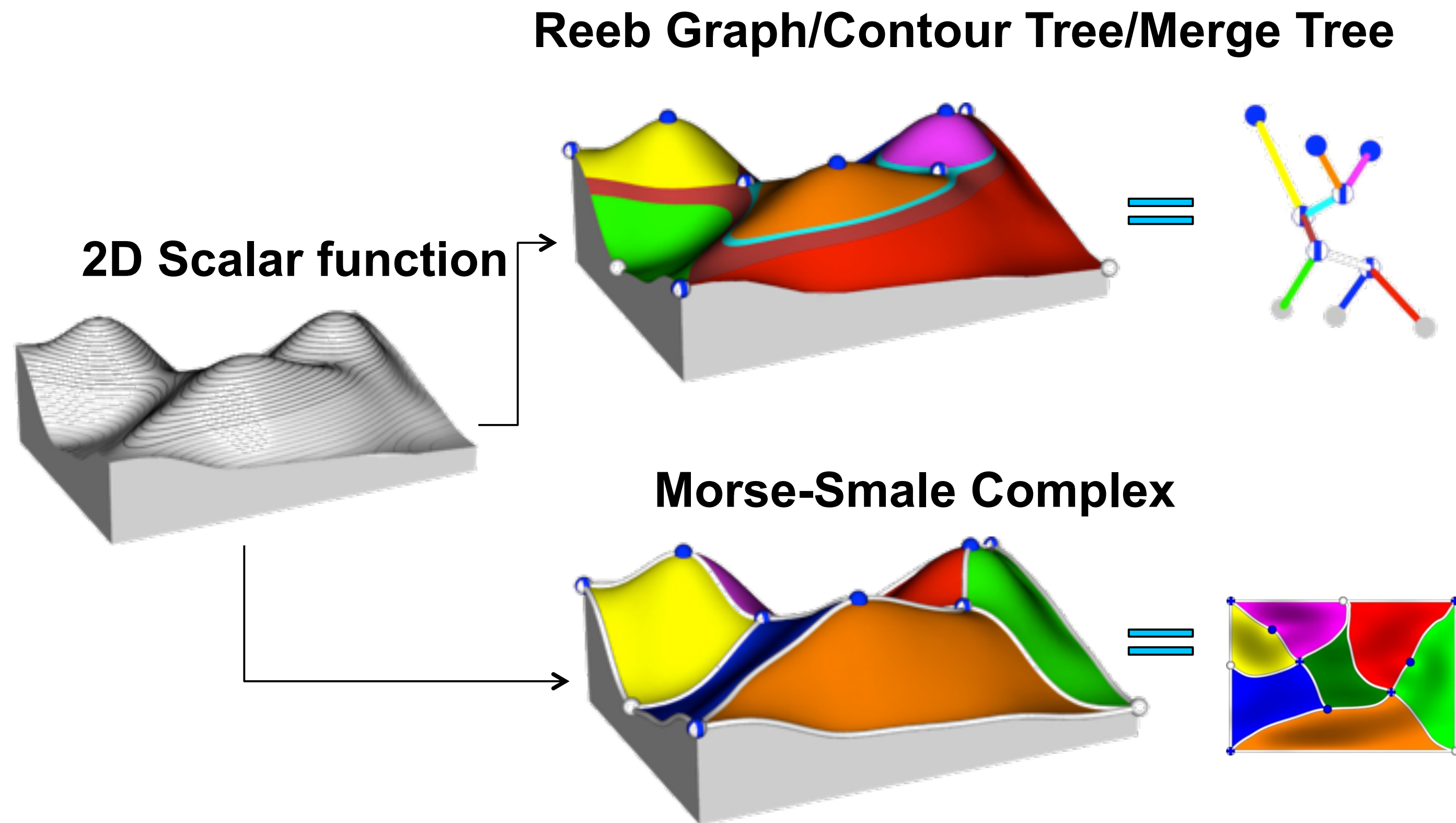
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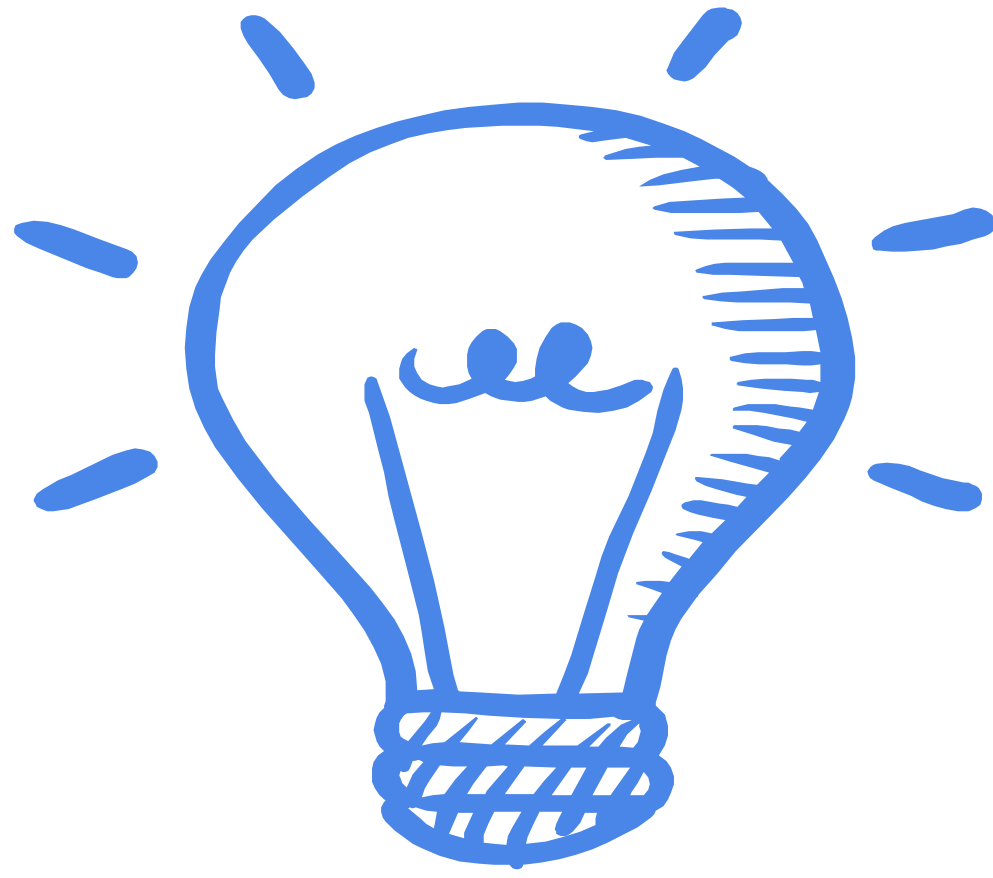
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# Some basic tools in topological data analysis (TDA)

- **Abstraction of the data:** topological structures and their combinatorial representations
- **Separate features from noise:** persistent homology

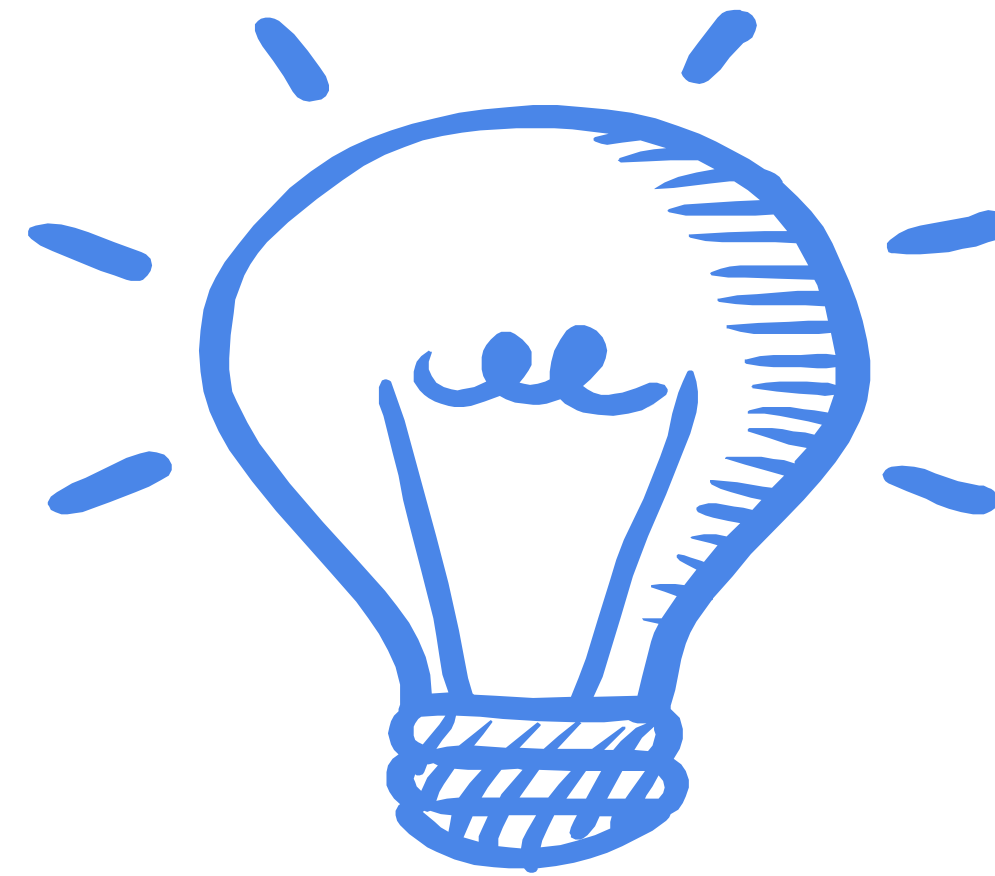


Fundamental Tasks in Topological Data Analysis  
Topology + Point Cloud = Magic Happens!



## RECONSTRUCTION

How to assemble discrete point samples  
into a global structure?

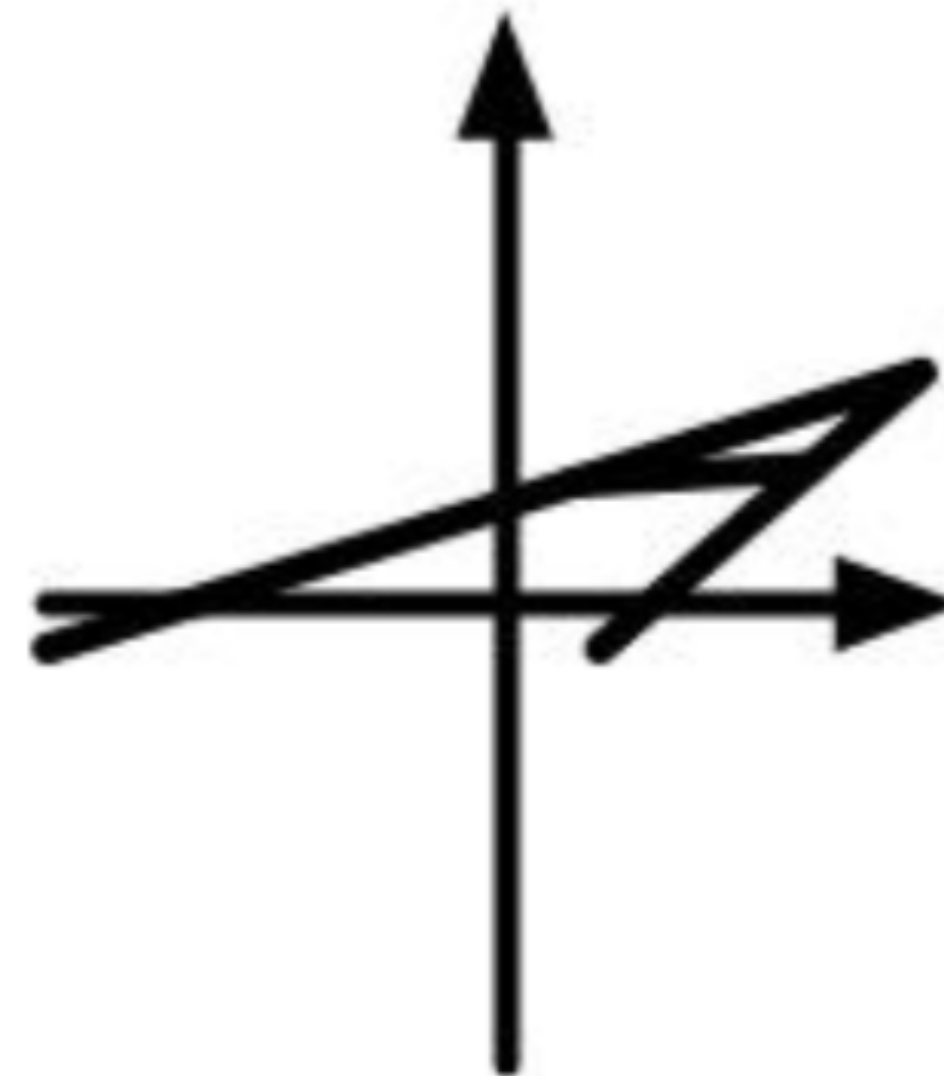
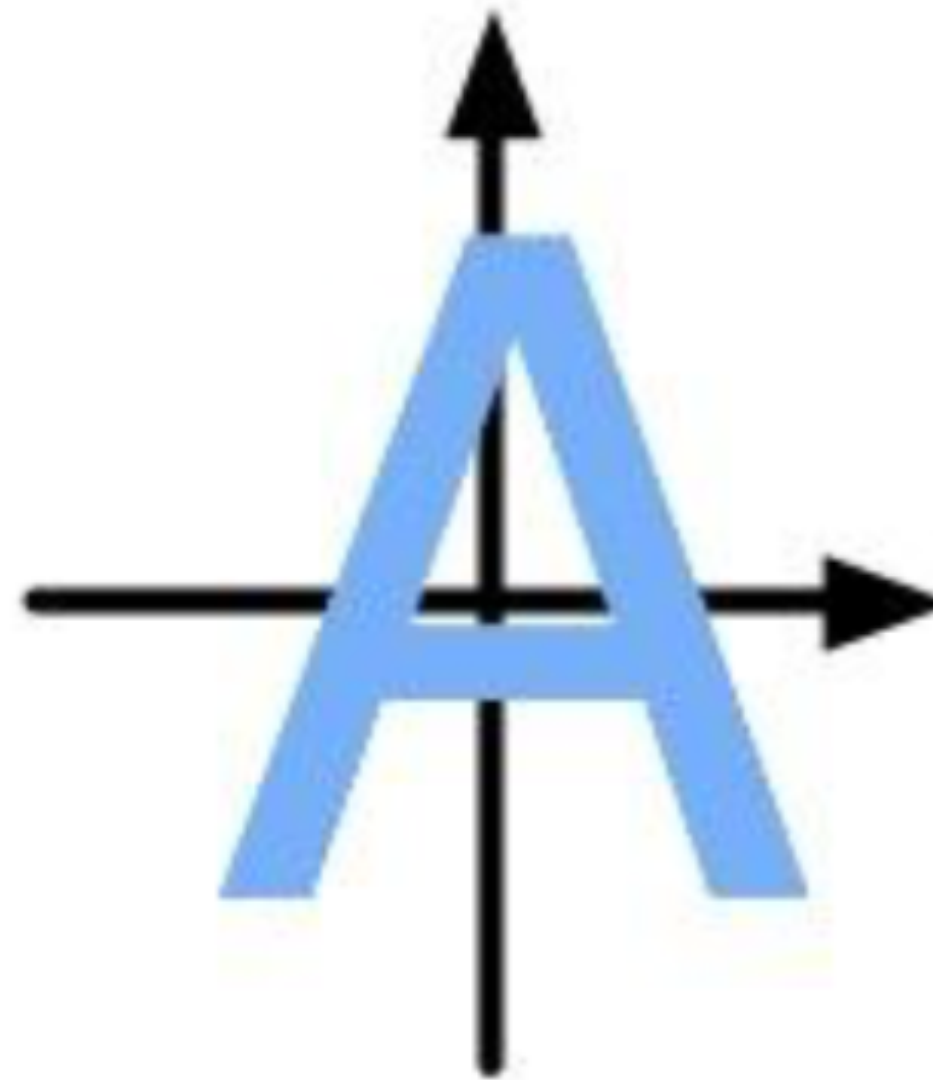


# INFERENCE

How to infer high-dimensional structures  
from low-dimensional representations?



# Key idea 1: coordinate free



## Key idea 2: deformation invariant



A solid blue uppercase letter 'A'.

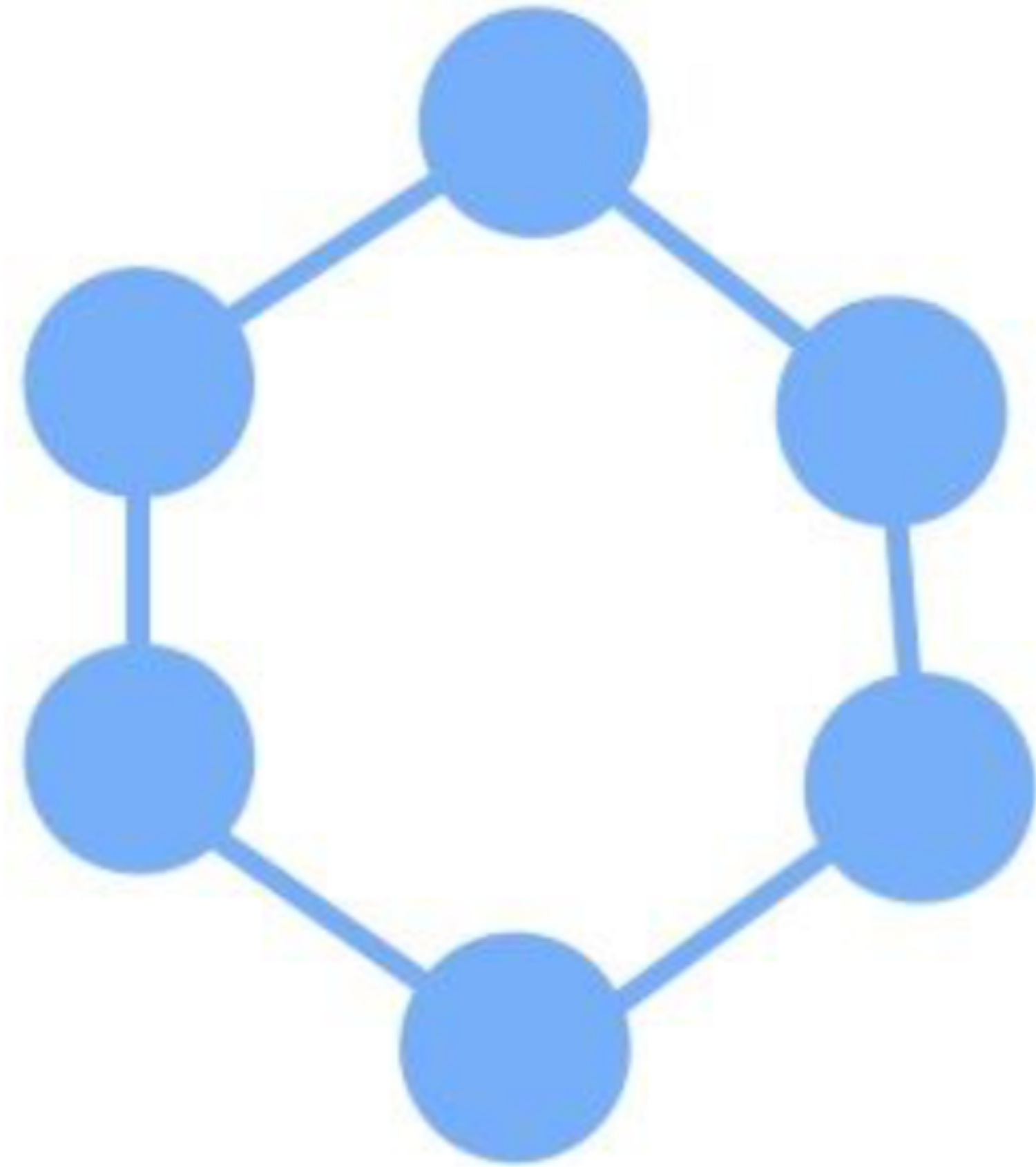
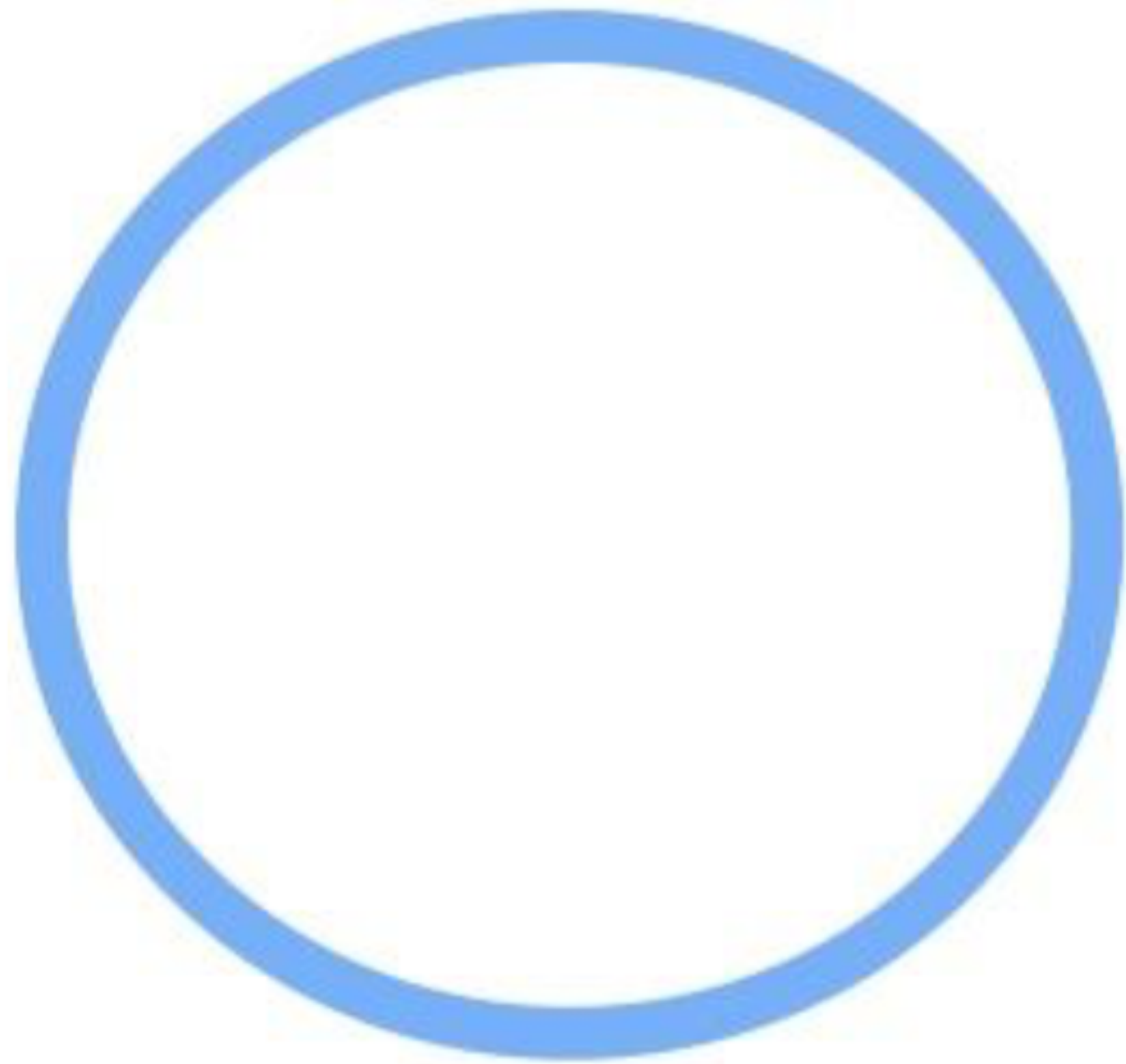


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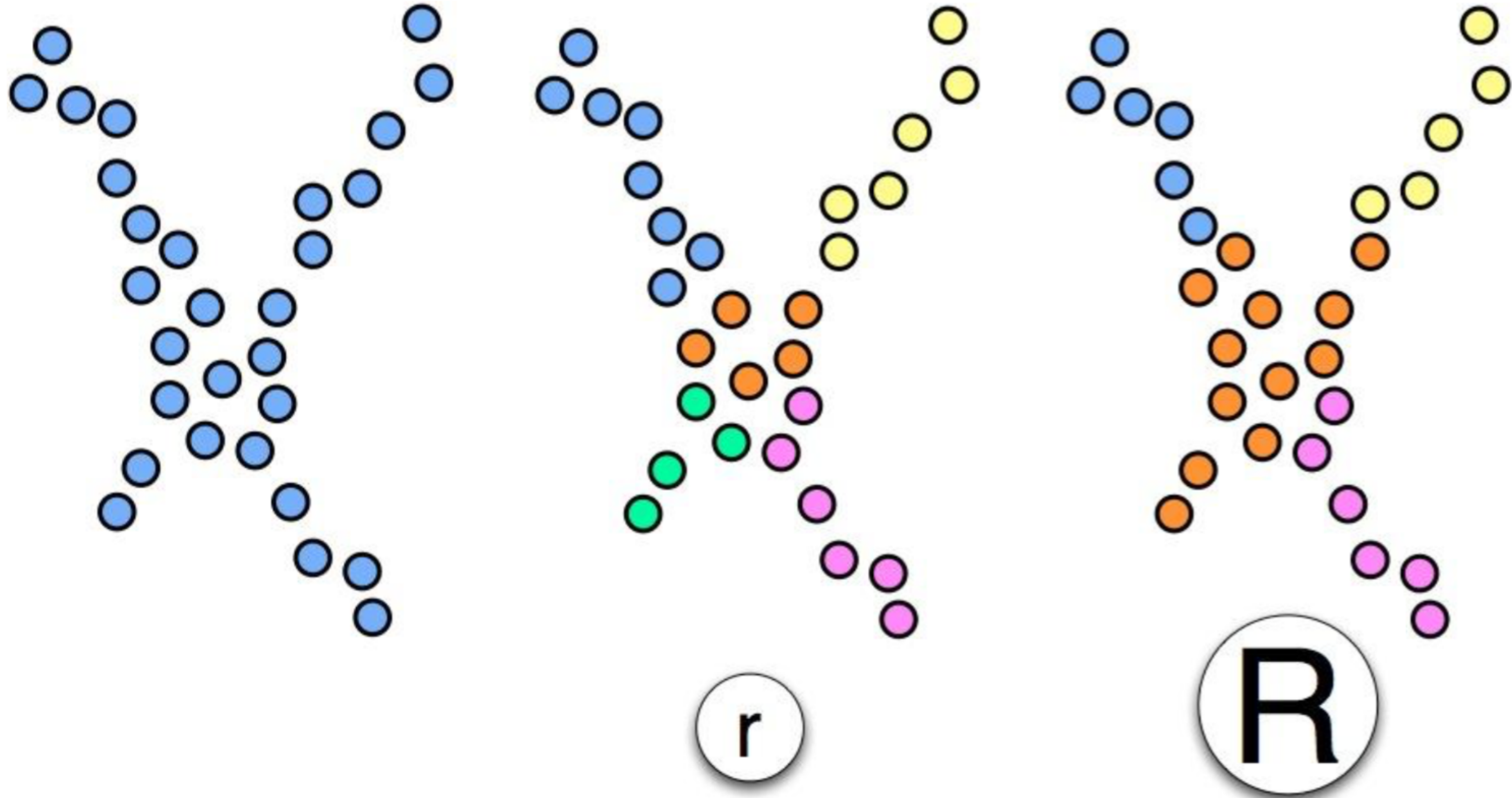


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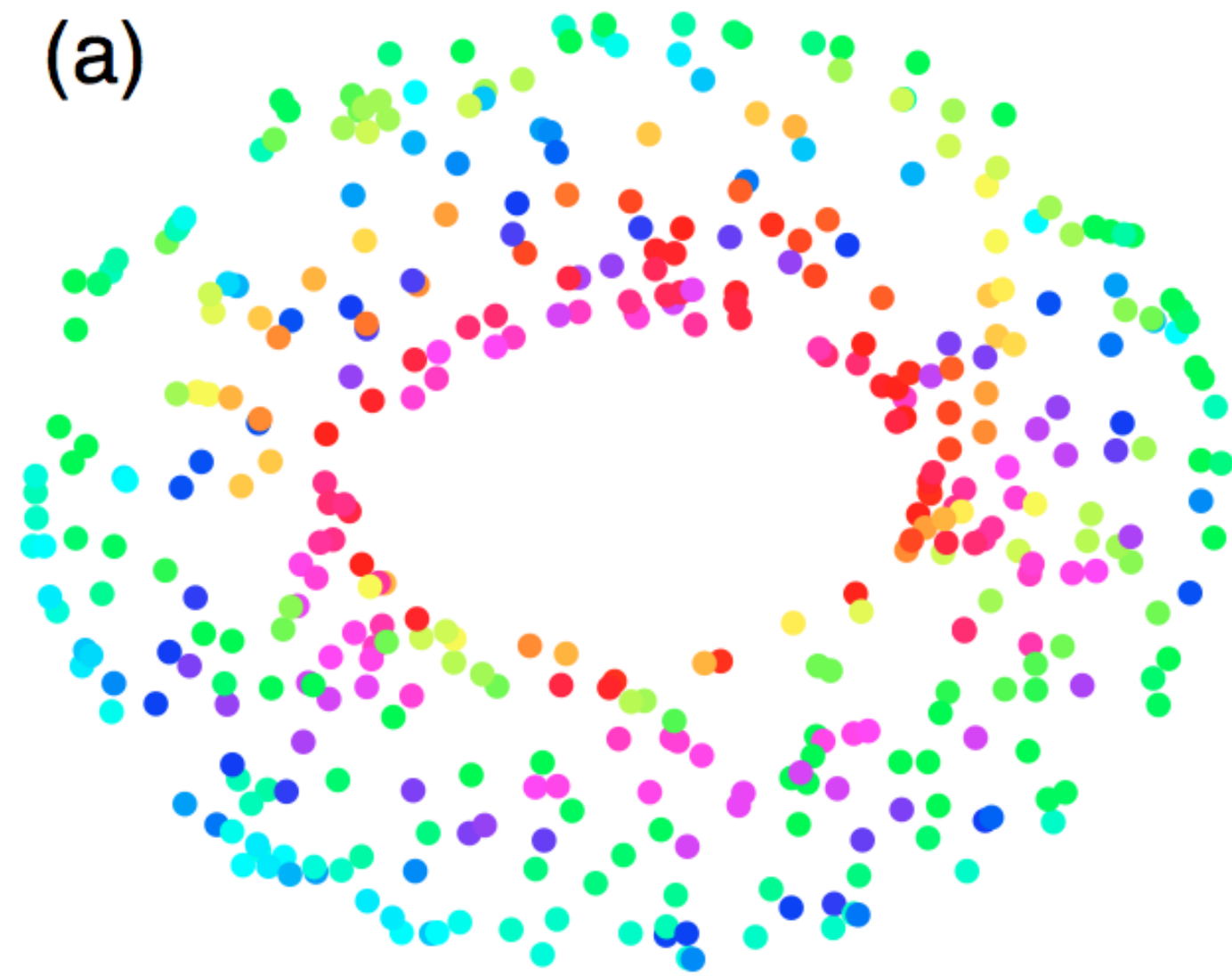
# Key idea 3: compressed representation



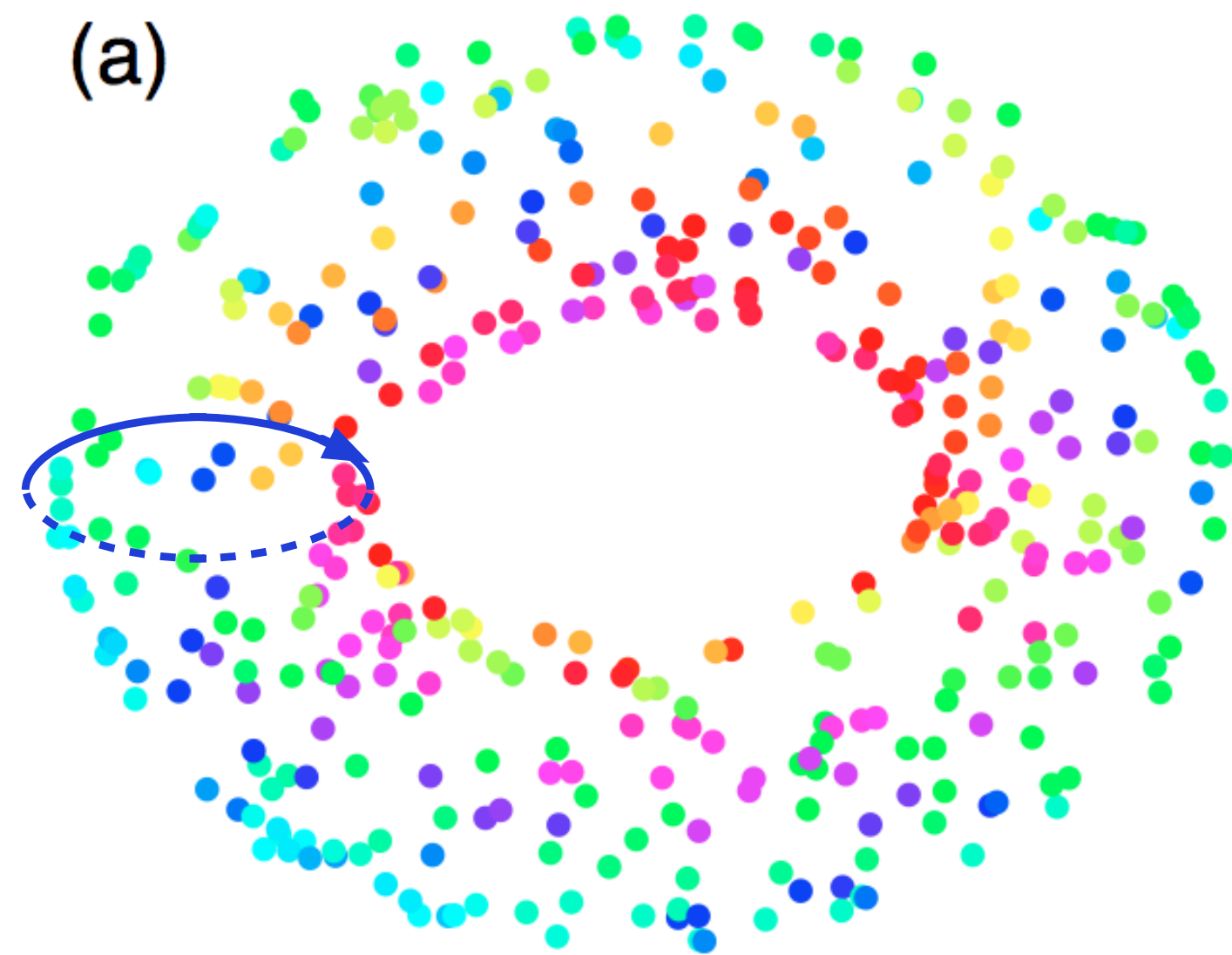
# Inference: stratification learning



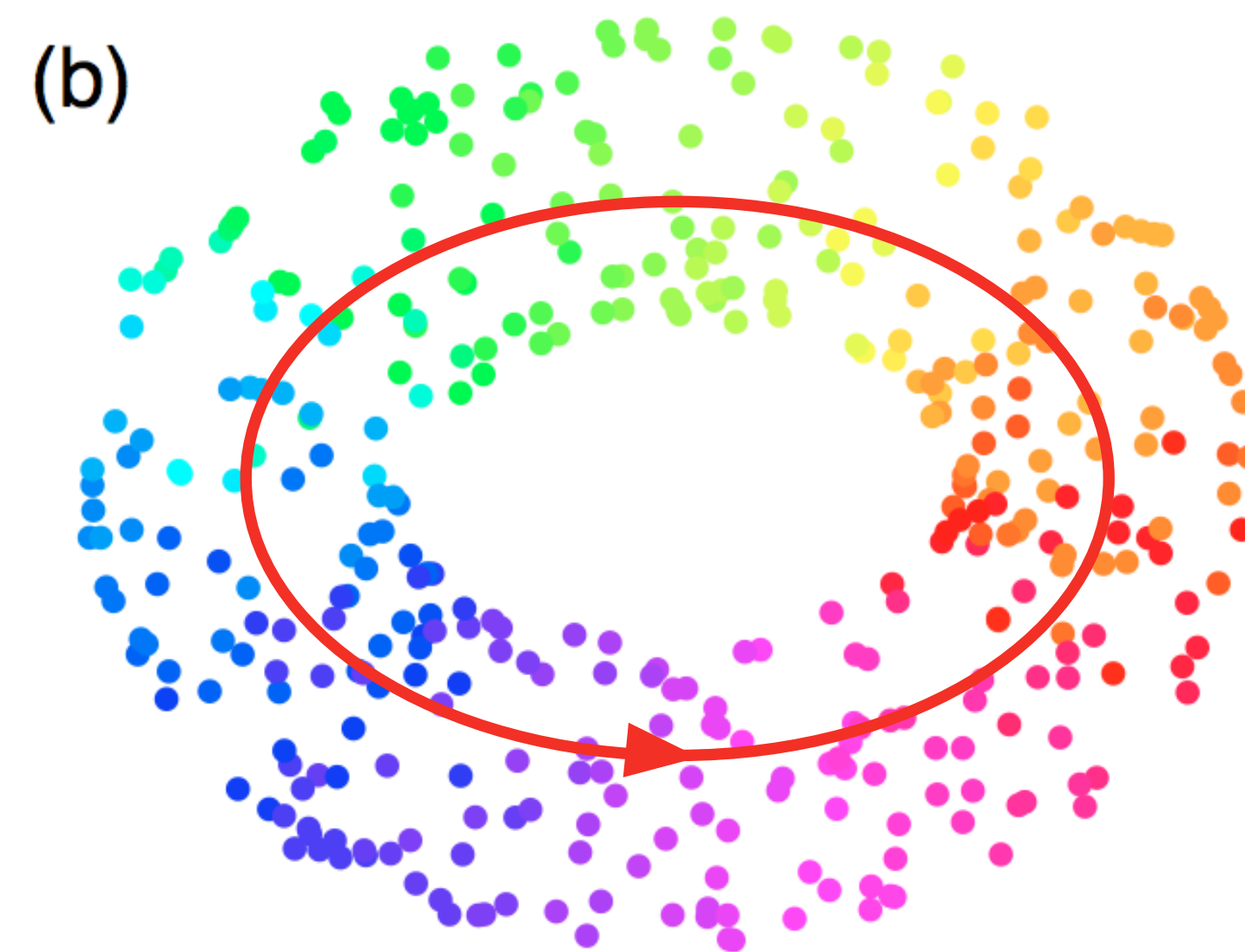
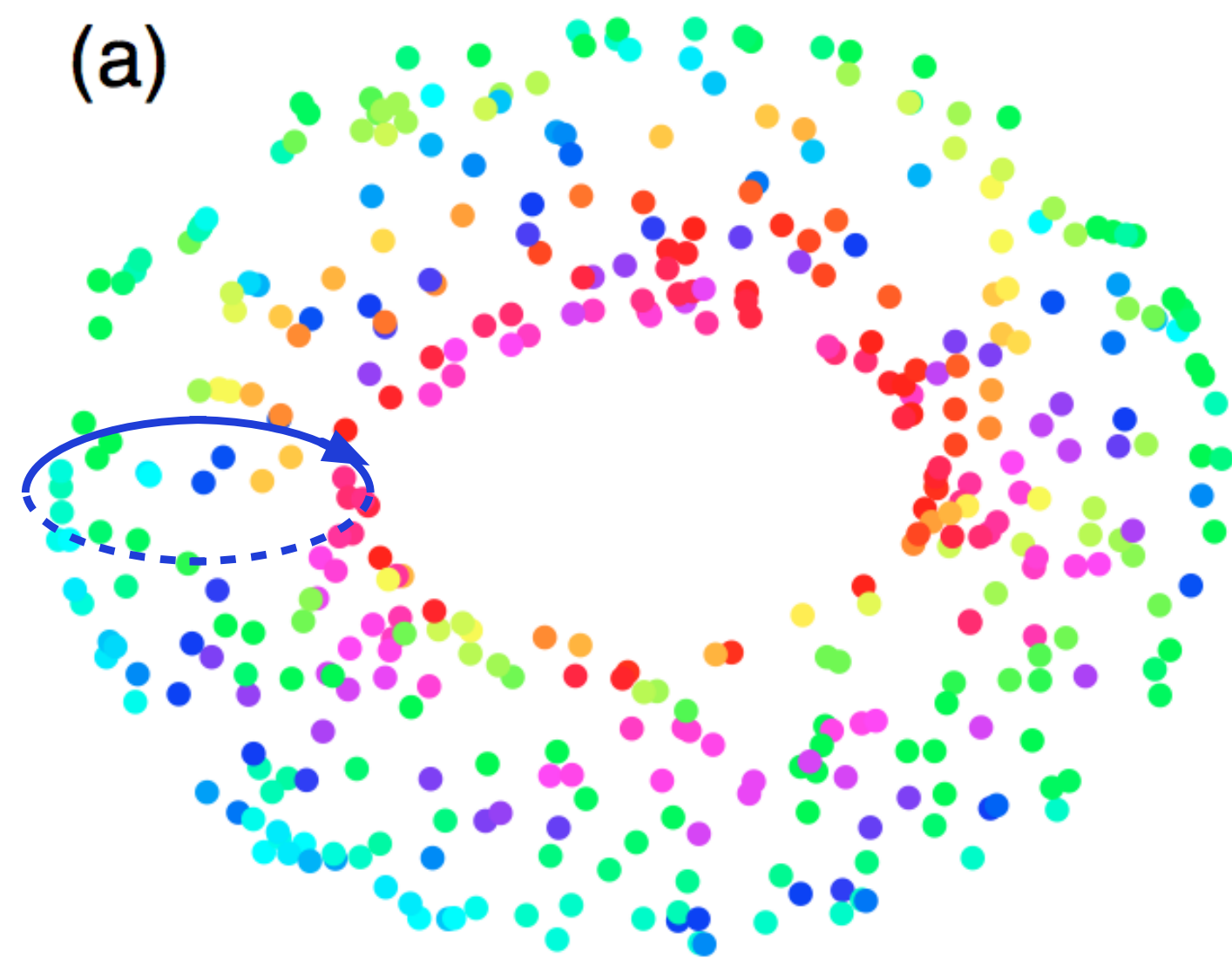
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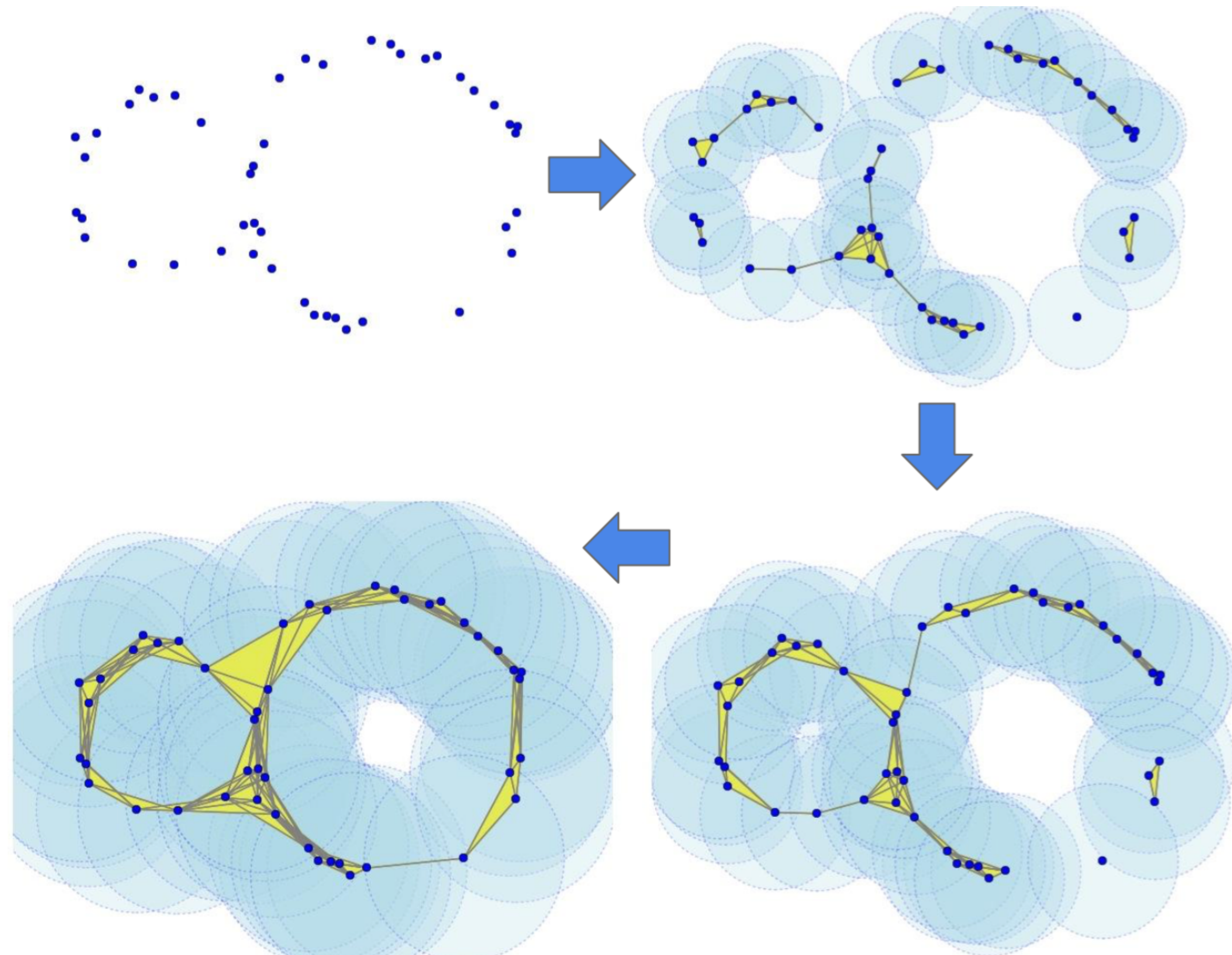
# Persistent homology: an artistic view point



Persistent homology: inferring the continuous from the discrete.



# Persistent homology: a multi-scale view of data



Persistent homology: quantifying the shape of data.

# Persistent Homology

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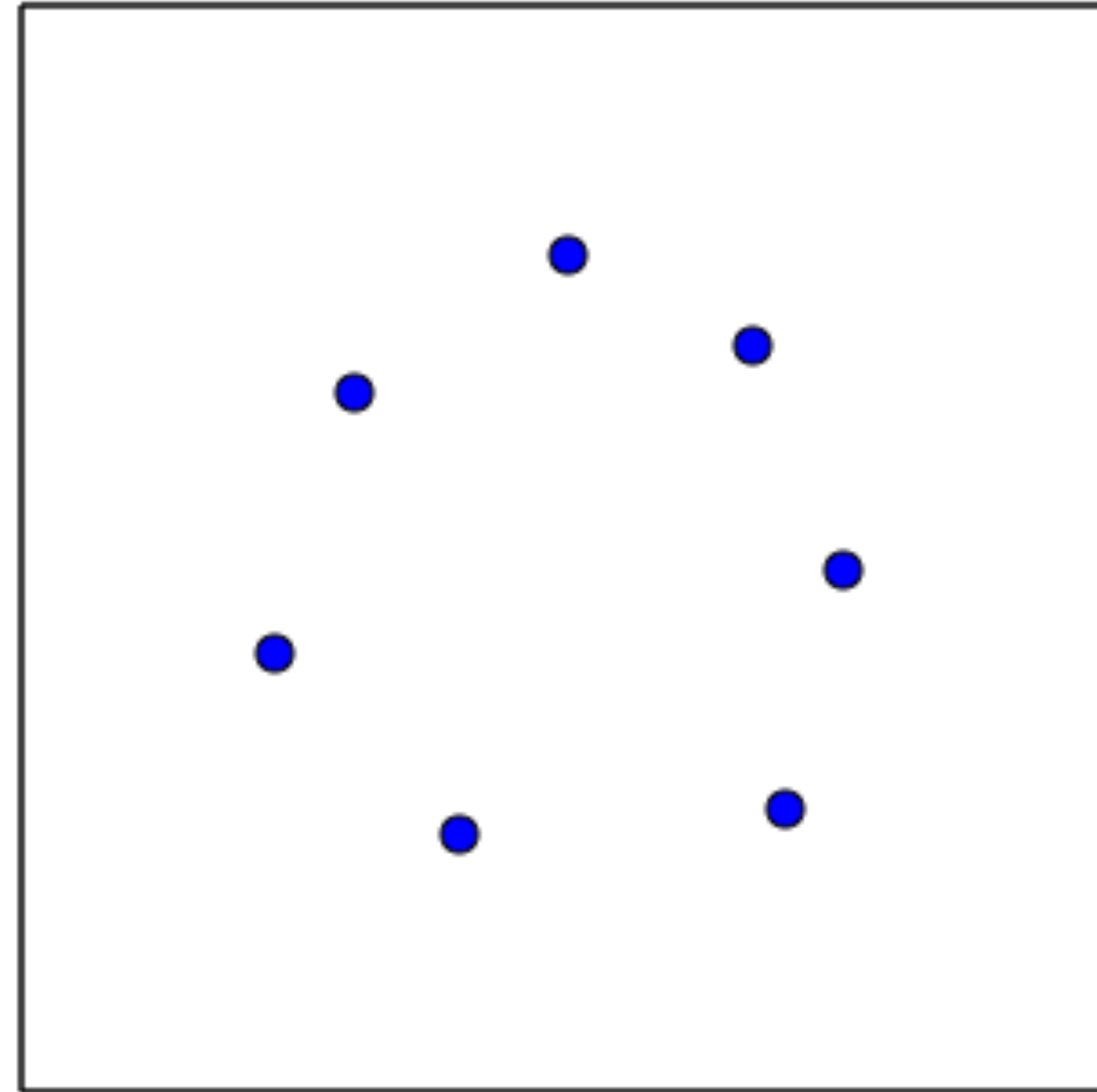
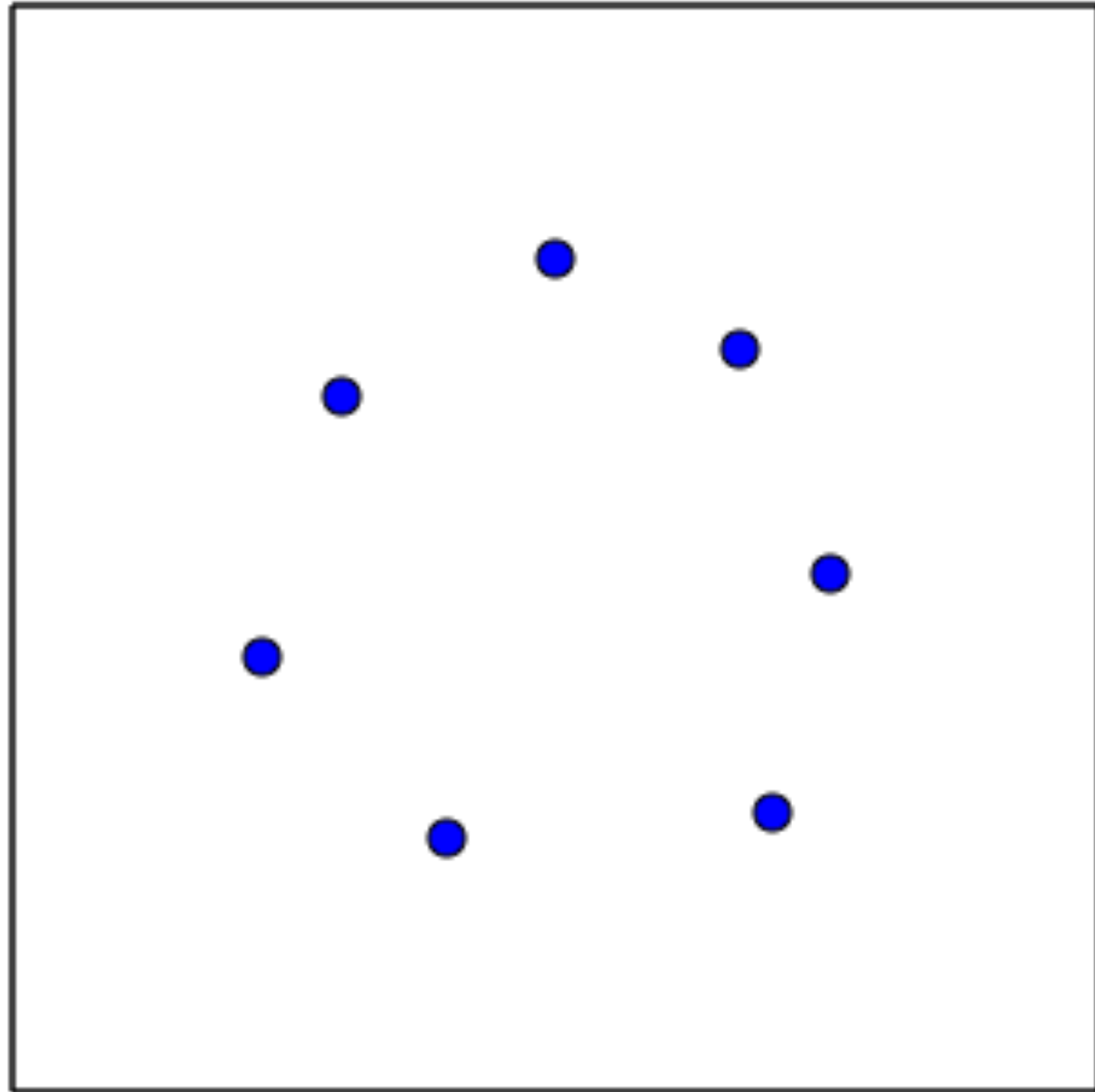


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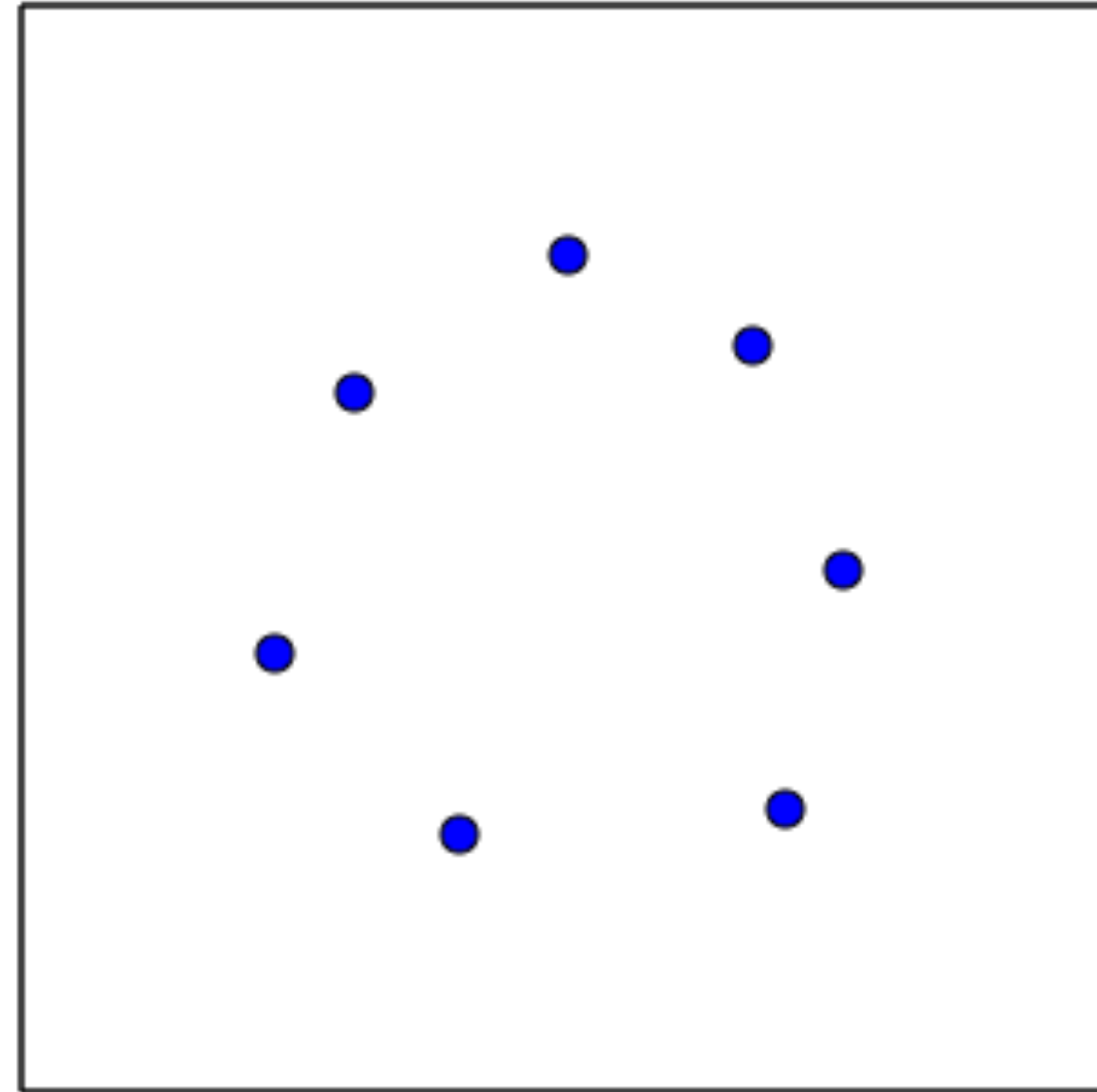
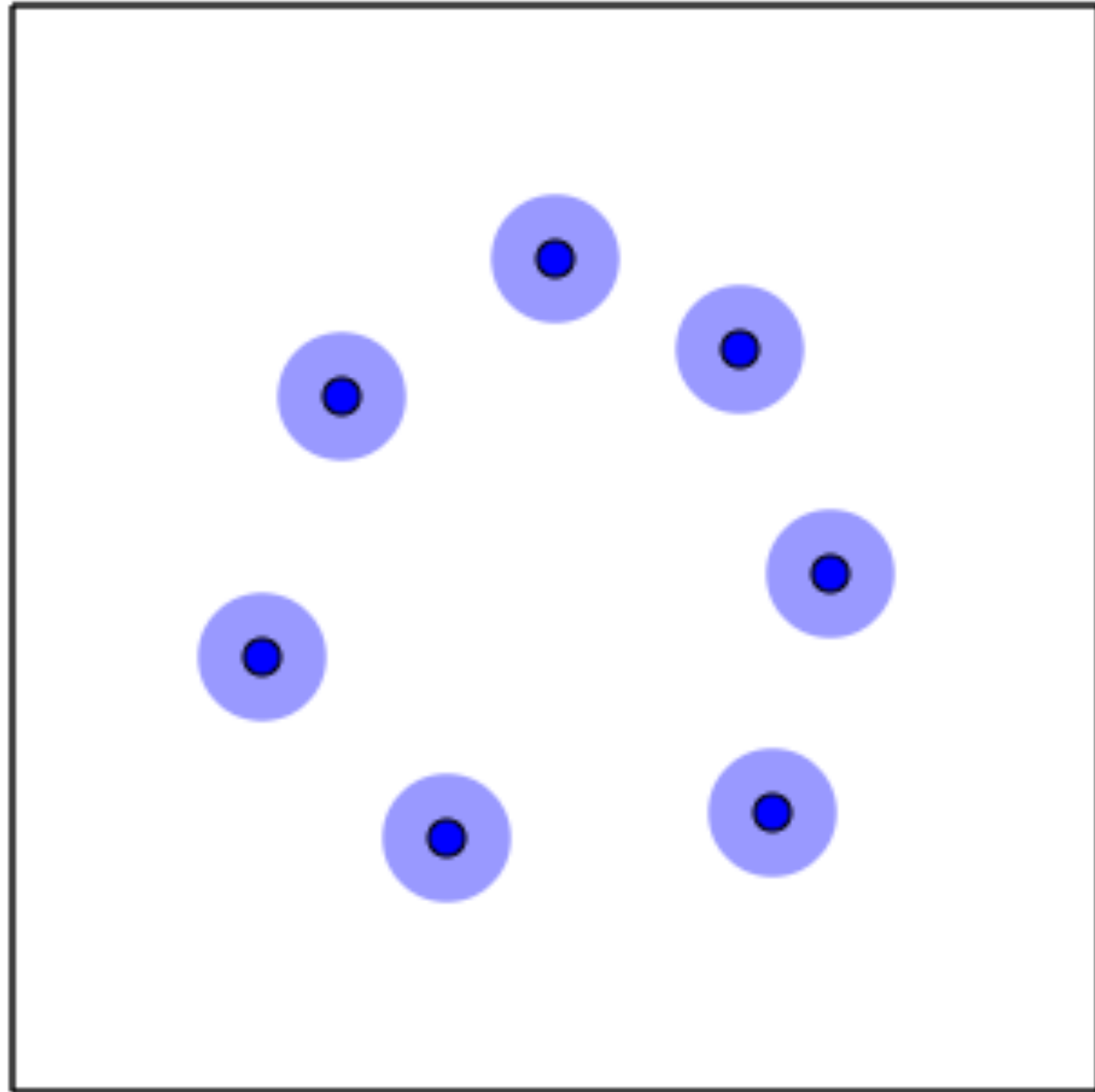
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- What are topological features? Homological features:
  - Dim 0 - Connected Components
  - Dim 1 - Tunnels / Loops
  - Dim 2 - Voids
- How to compute them (in a nutshell)?
  - Begin with a point cloud
  - Grow balls of diameter  $t$  around each point
  - Track features of the union of balls as  $t$  increases

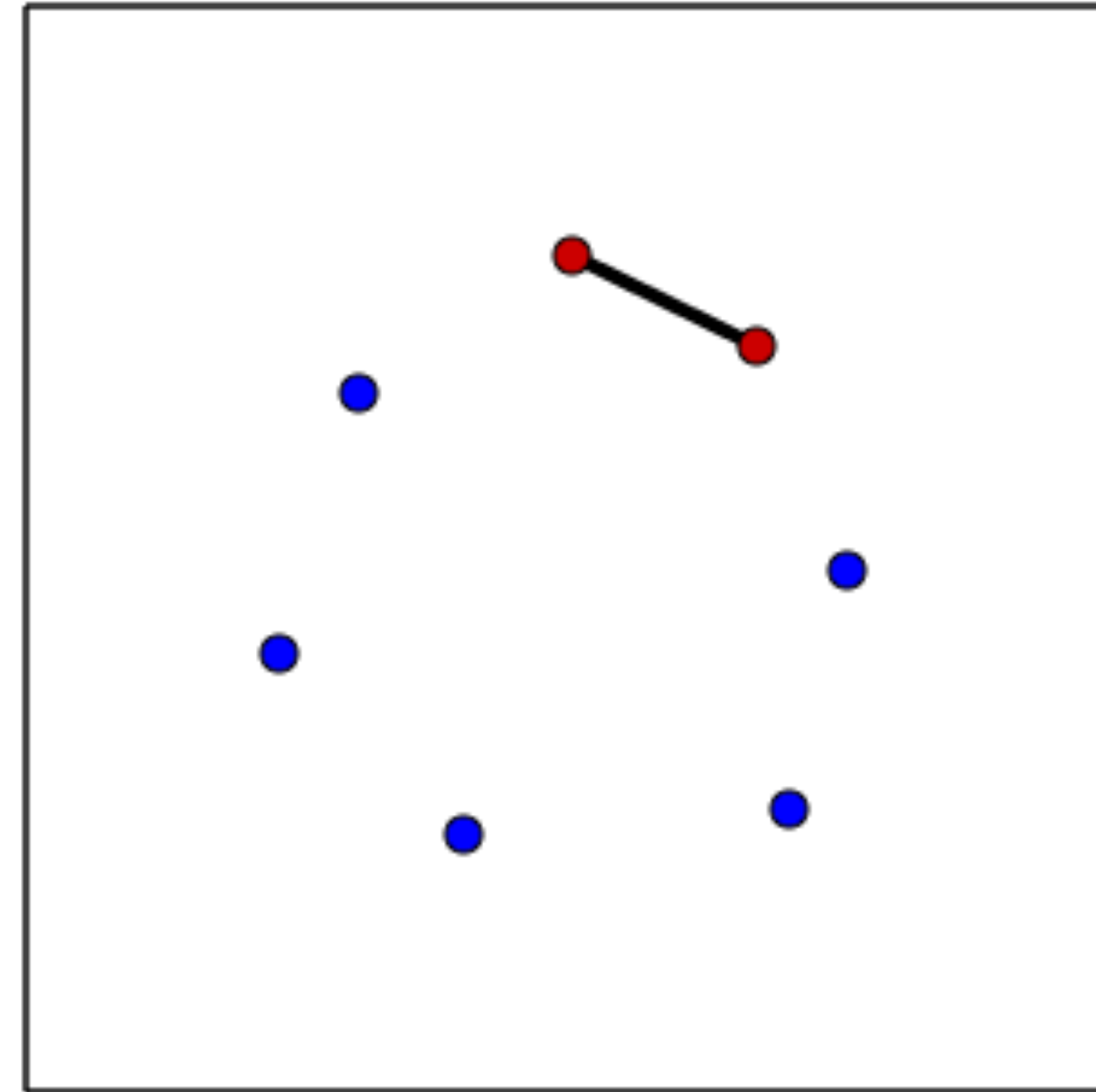
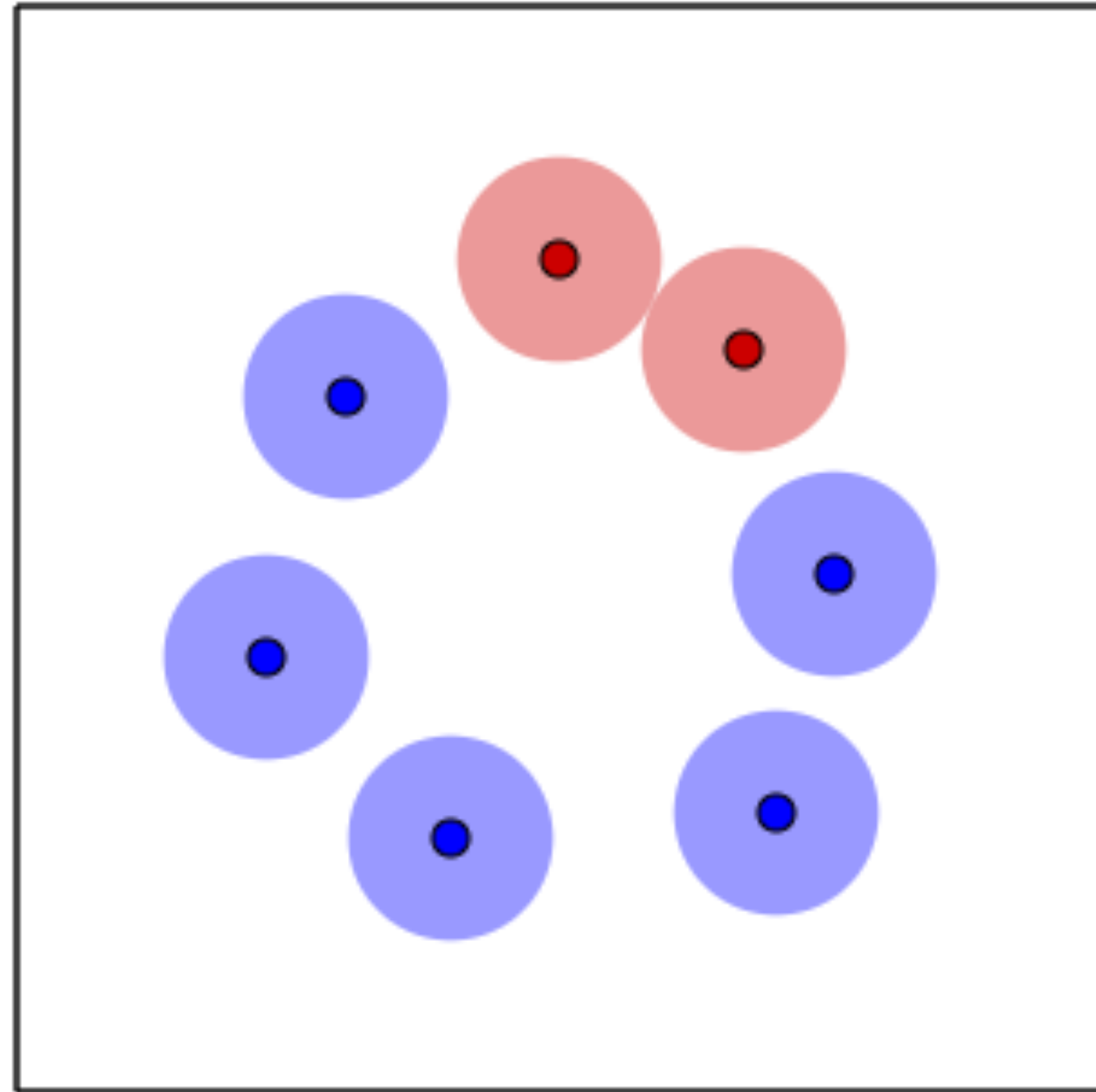
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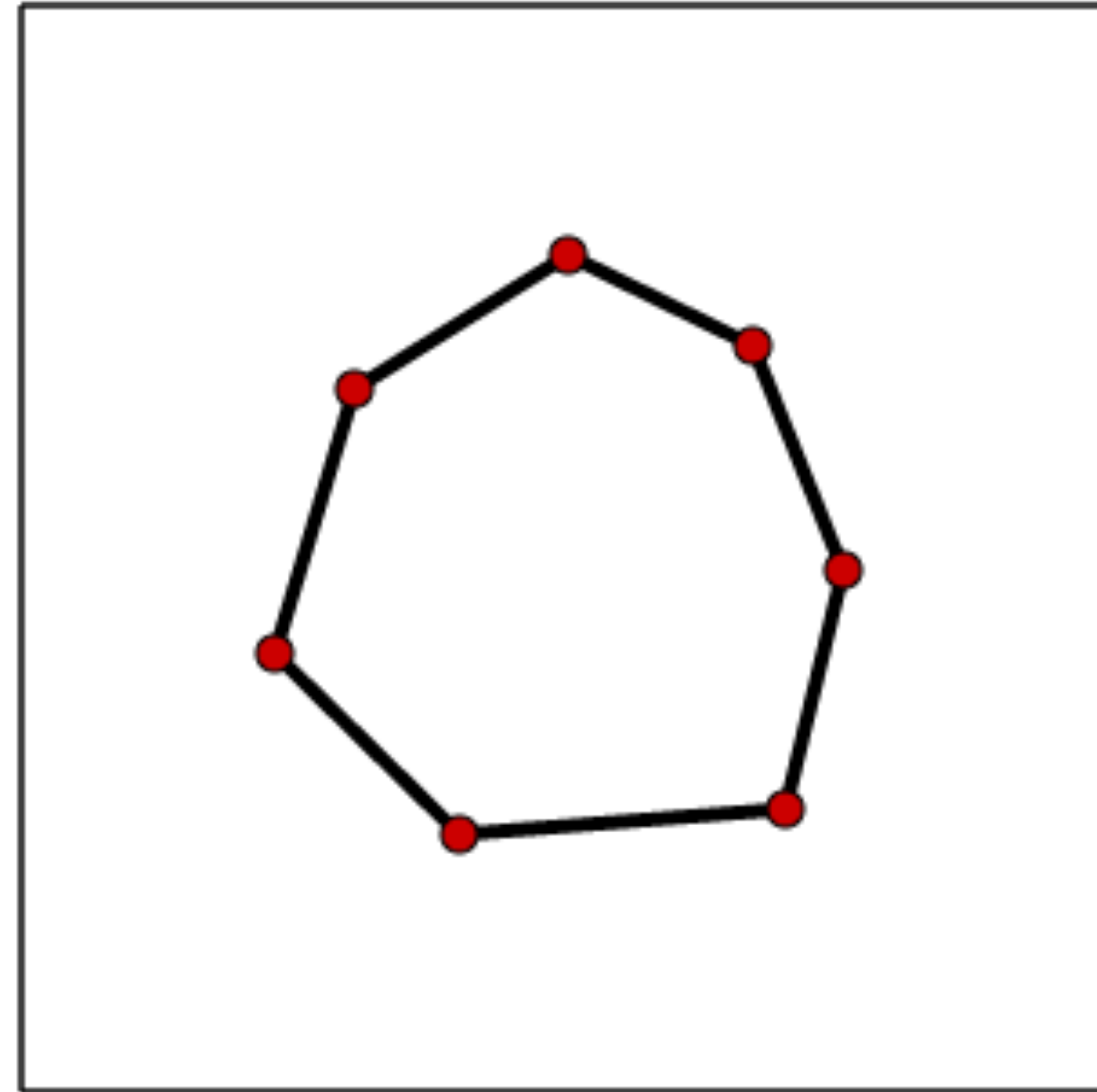
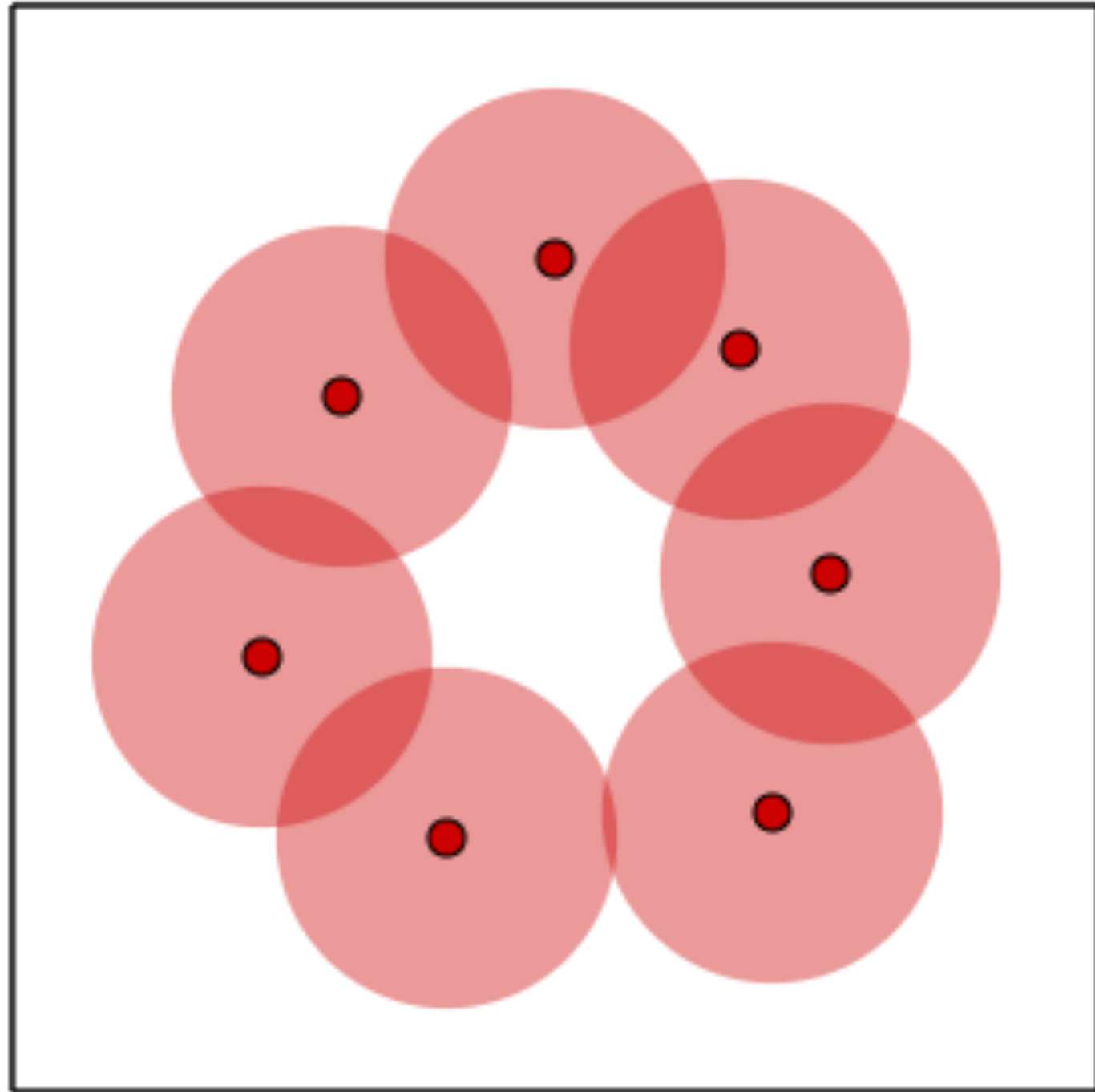


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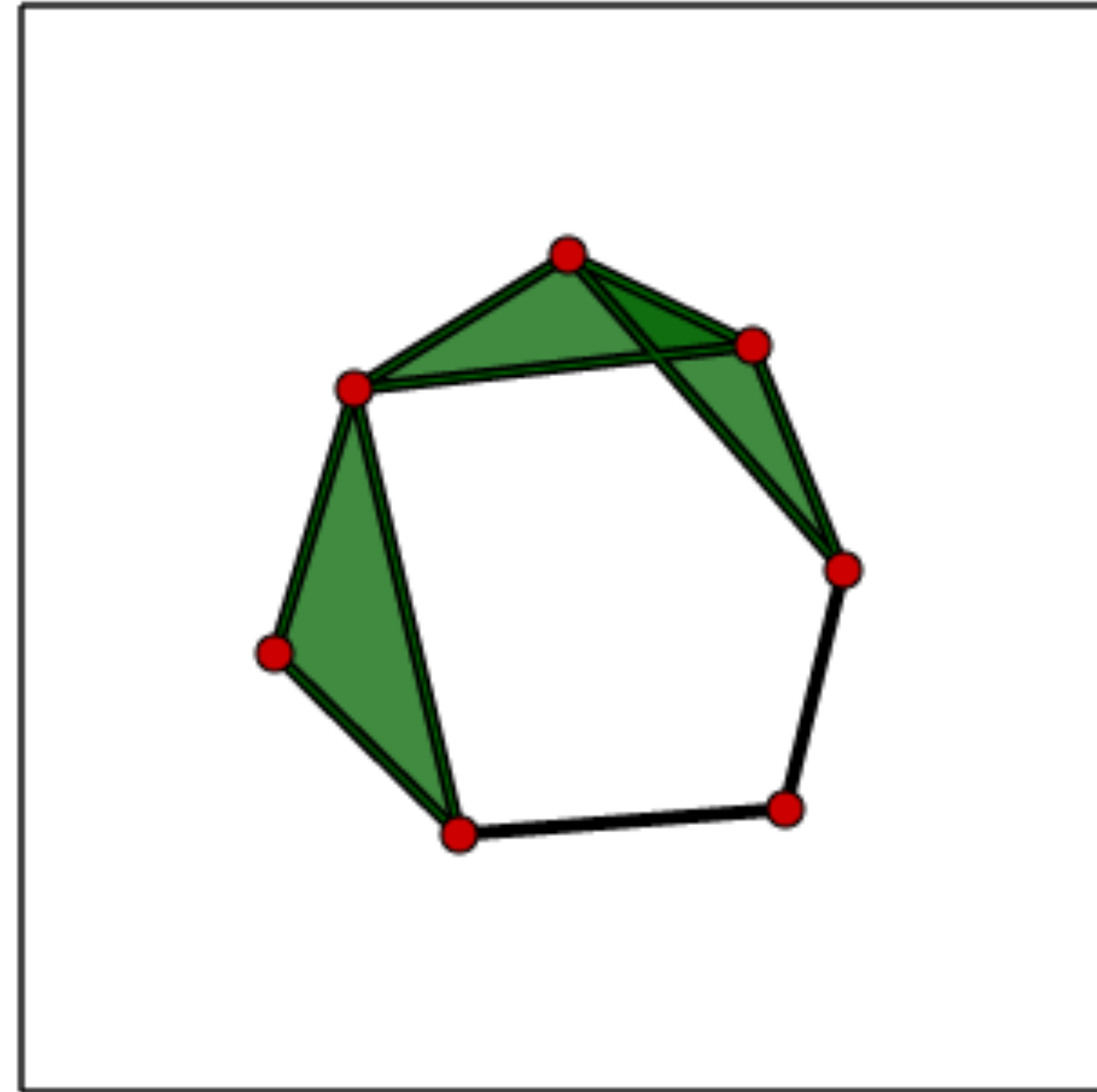
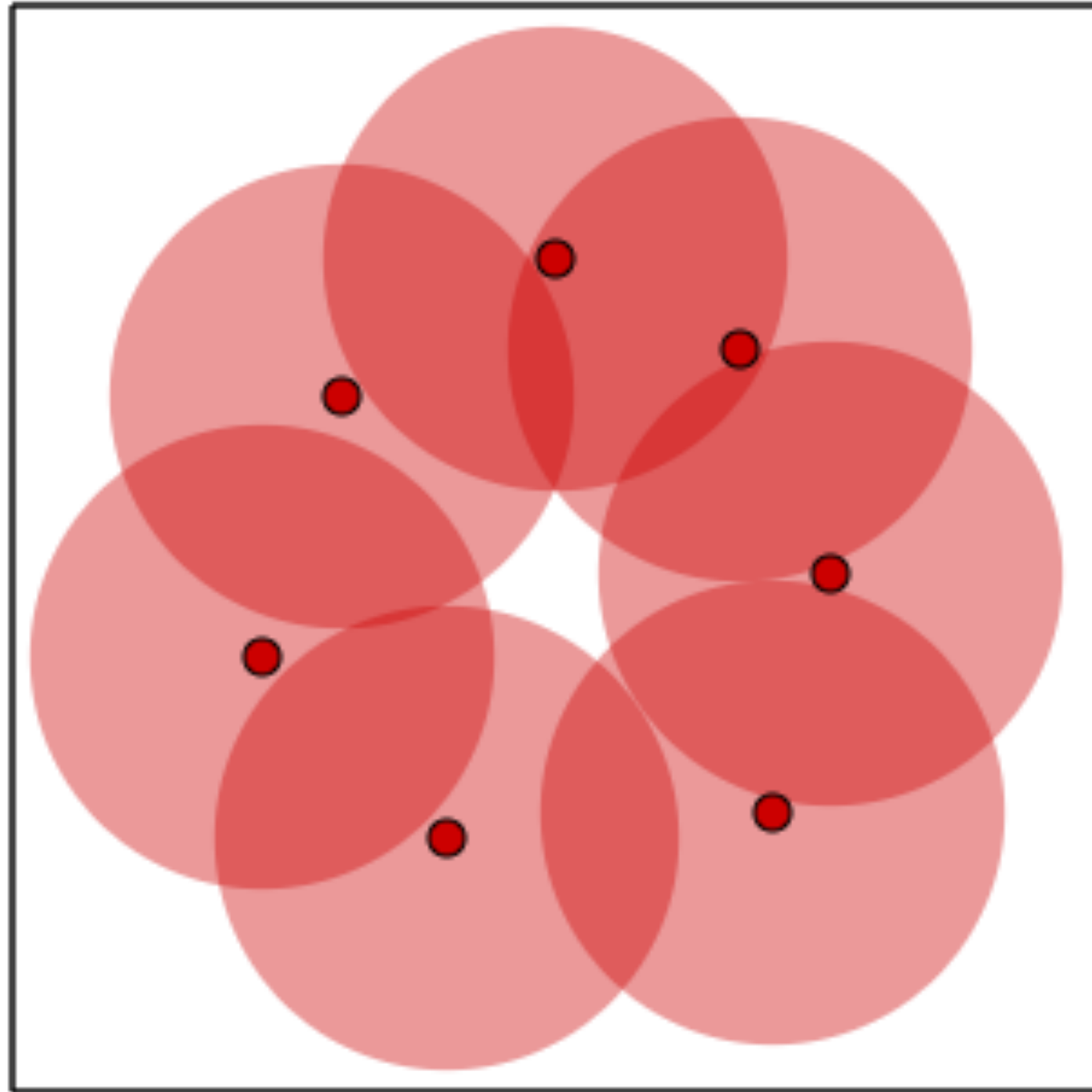




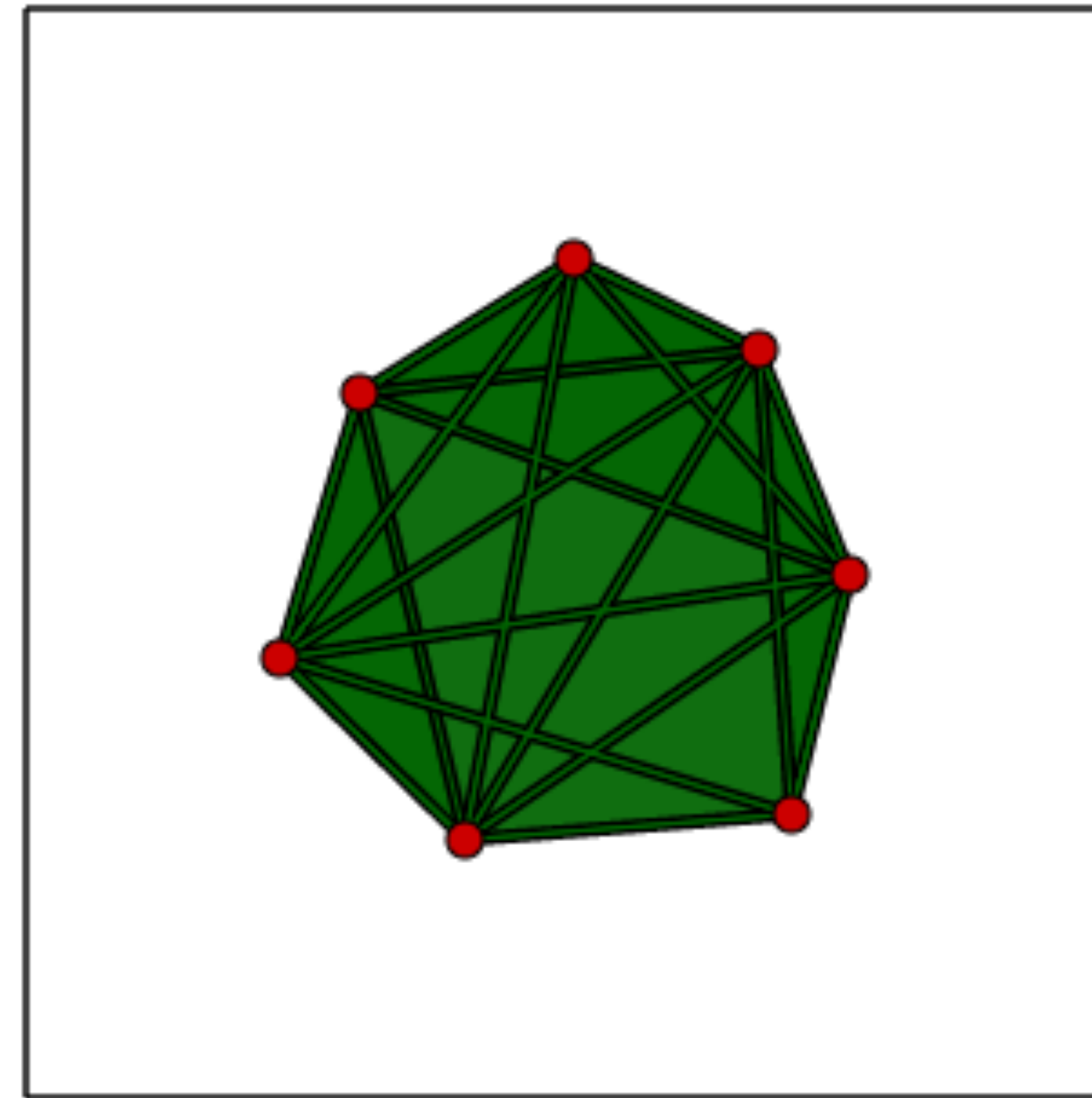
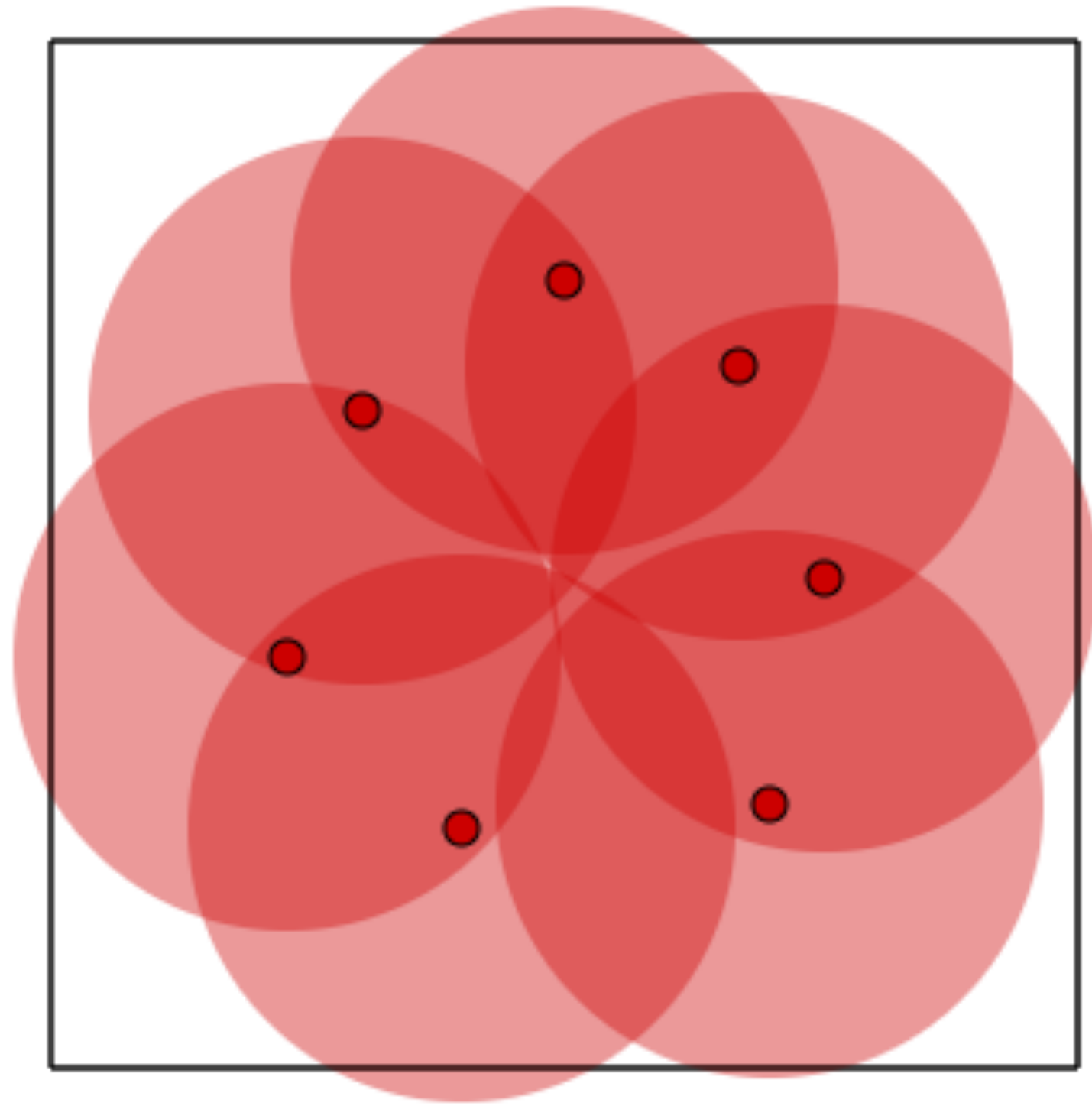
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# Persistence diagrams

Homological features encoded as barcodes or persistent diagrams

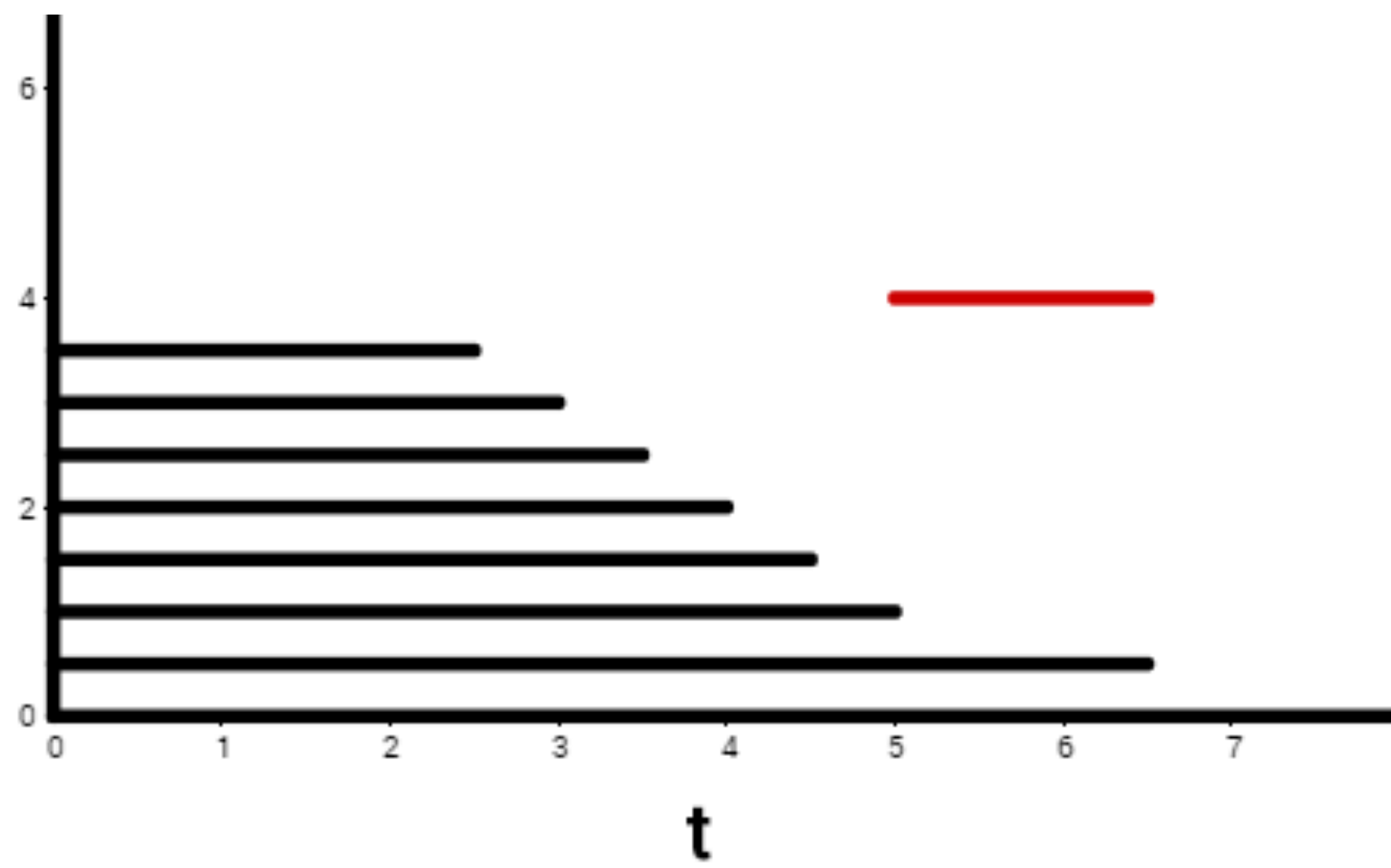


Figure: Barcode

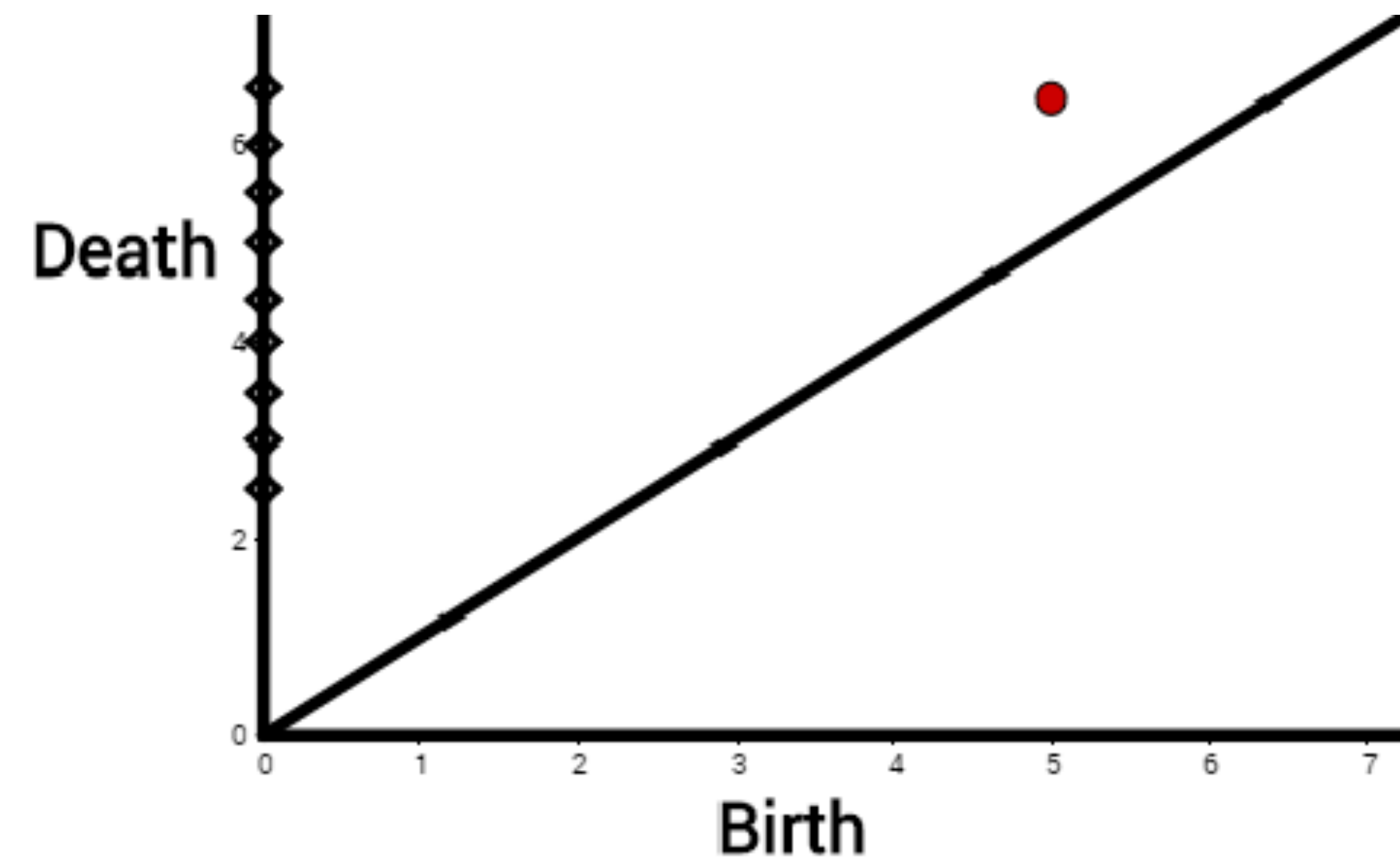
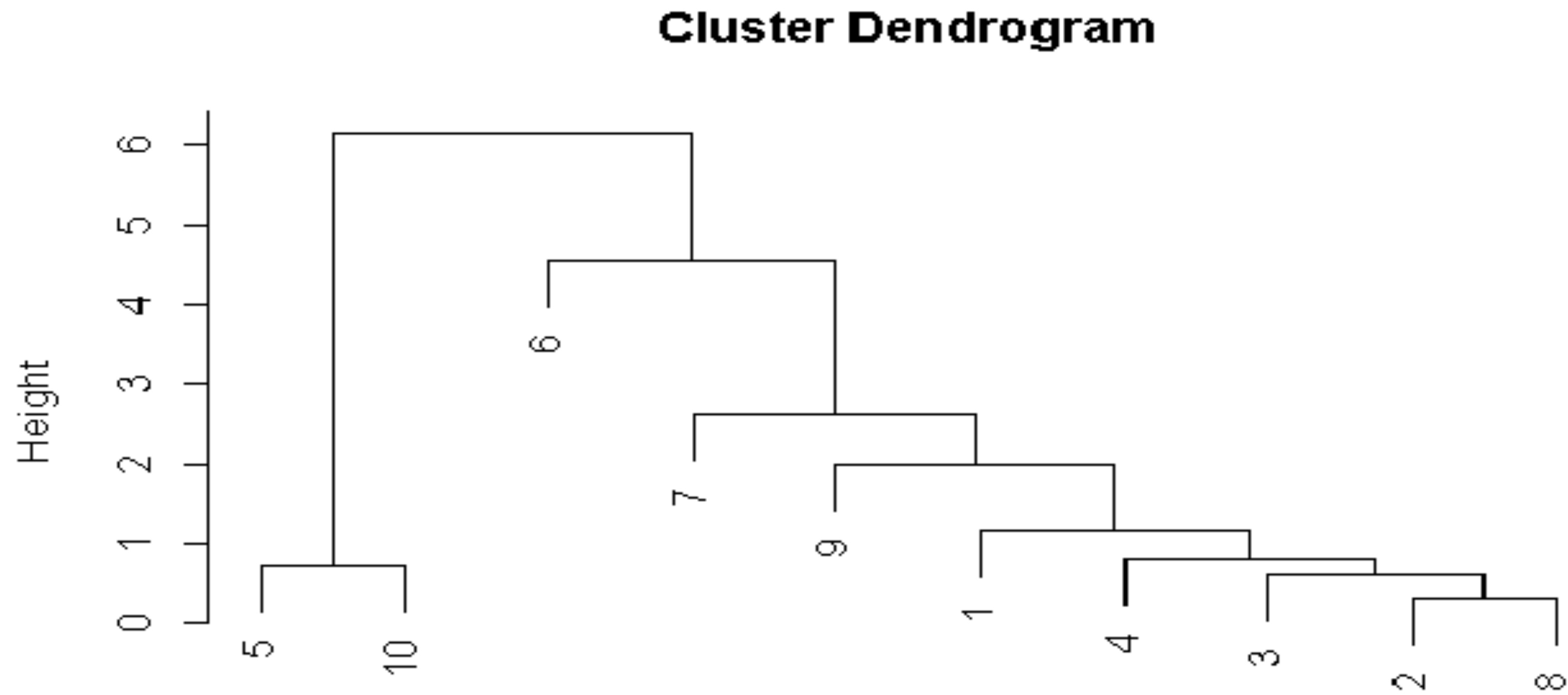


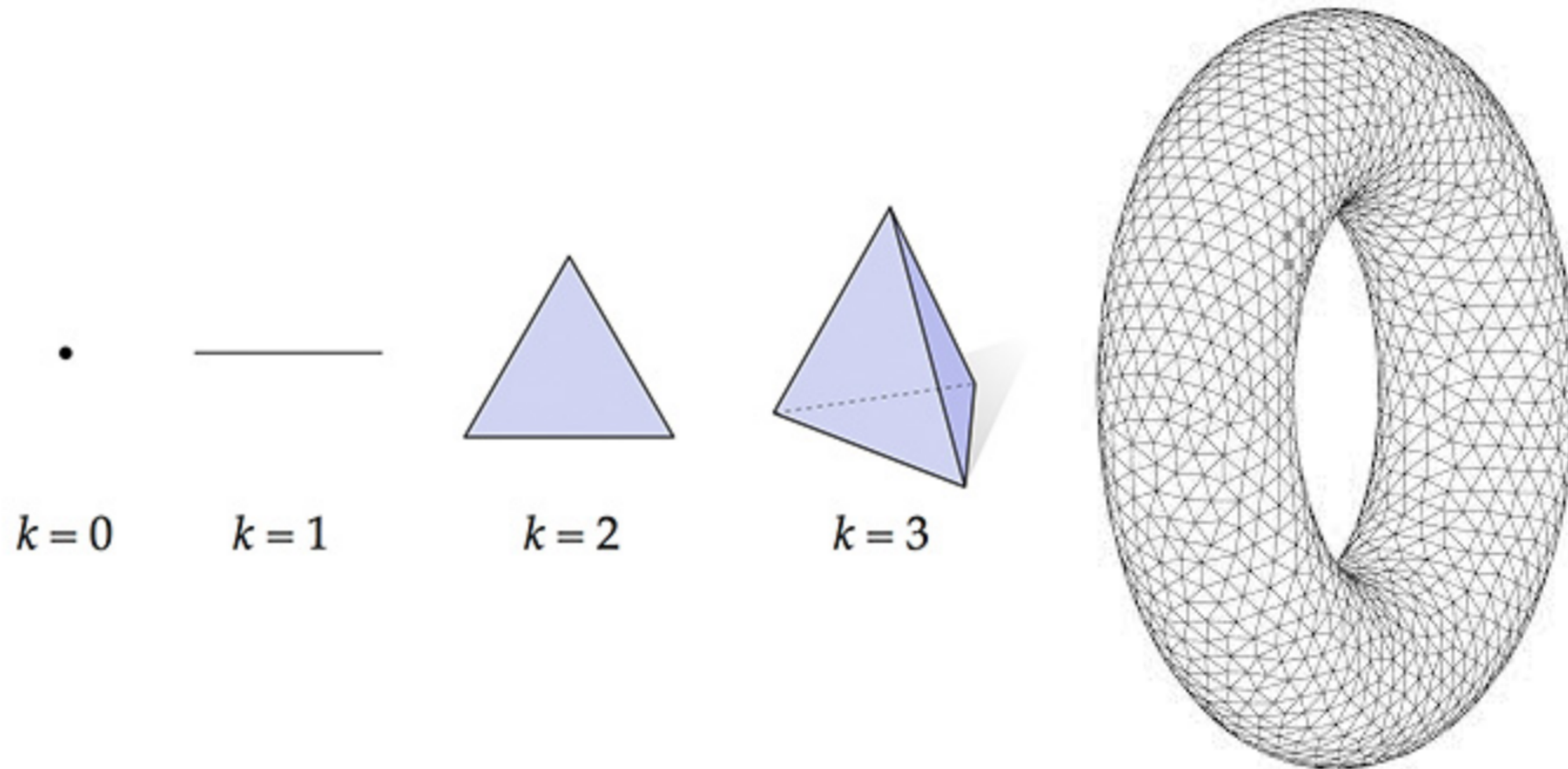
Figure: Persistence Diagram

# Interpretation of connected components

Dim 0 features: hierarchical clustering



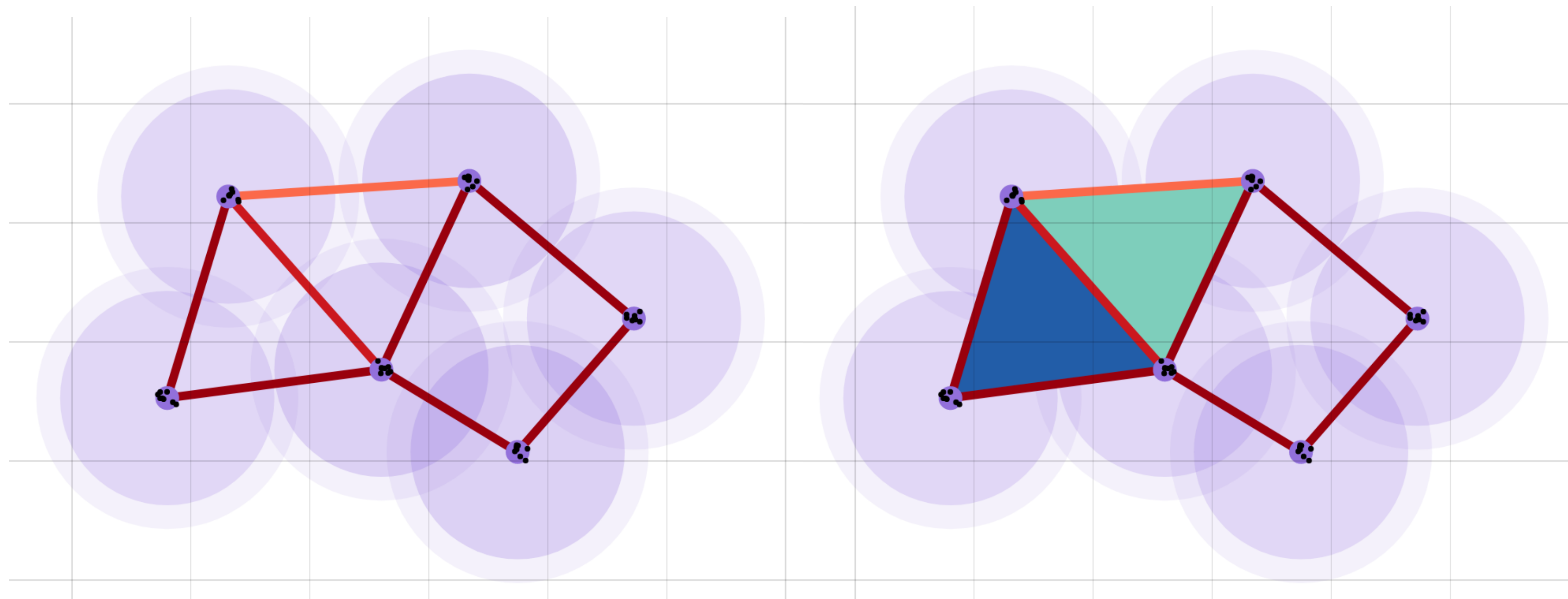
# Simplicial complex



# Different types of simplicial complexes

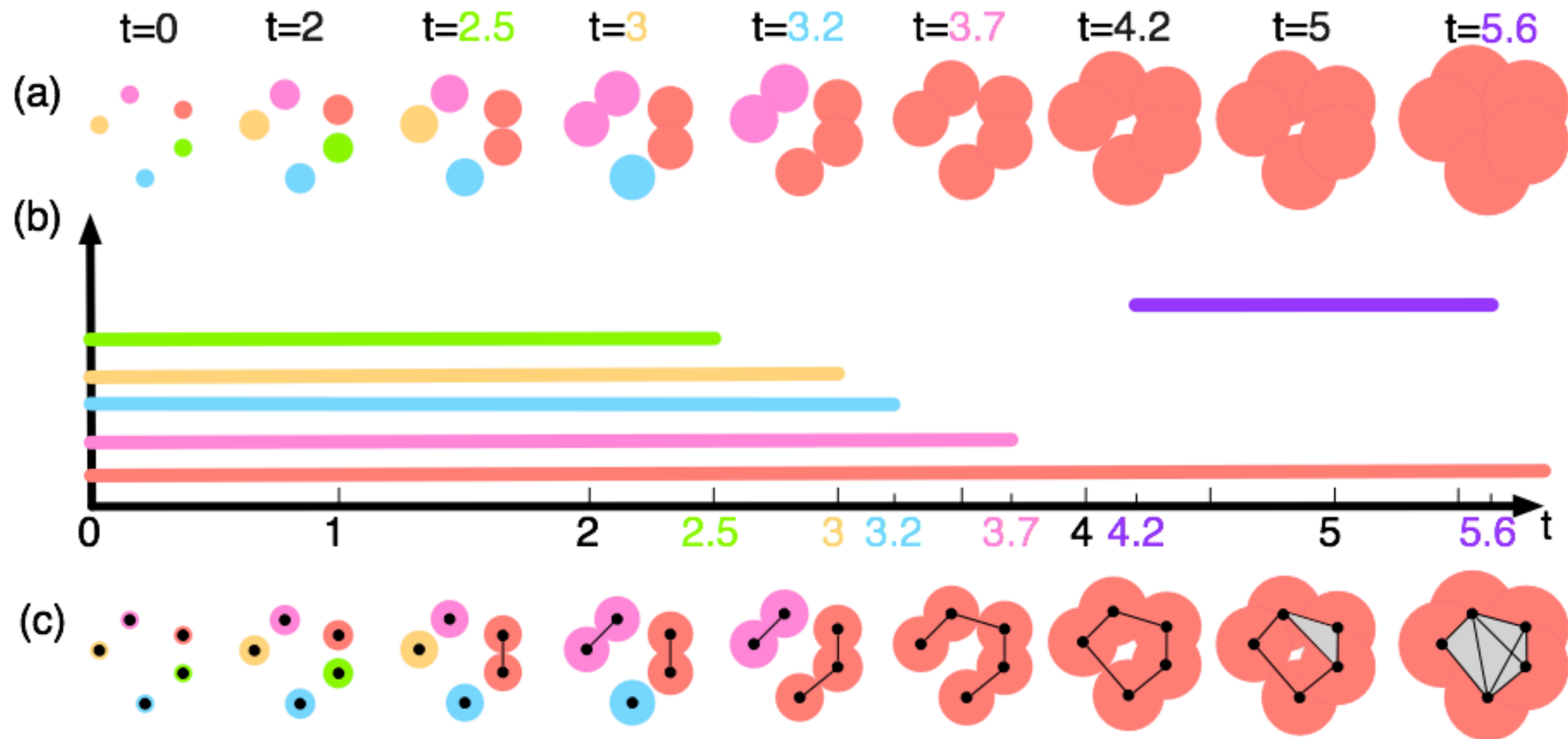
- Abstract simplicial complex
- Čech complex
- Vietoris-Rips complex
- Delaunay triangulation (related to Voronoi diagram)
- Alpha complex
- Sparsified versions:
  - Witness complex
  - Graph induced complex

# Čech complex vs. Vietoris-Rips complex





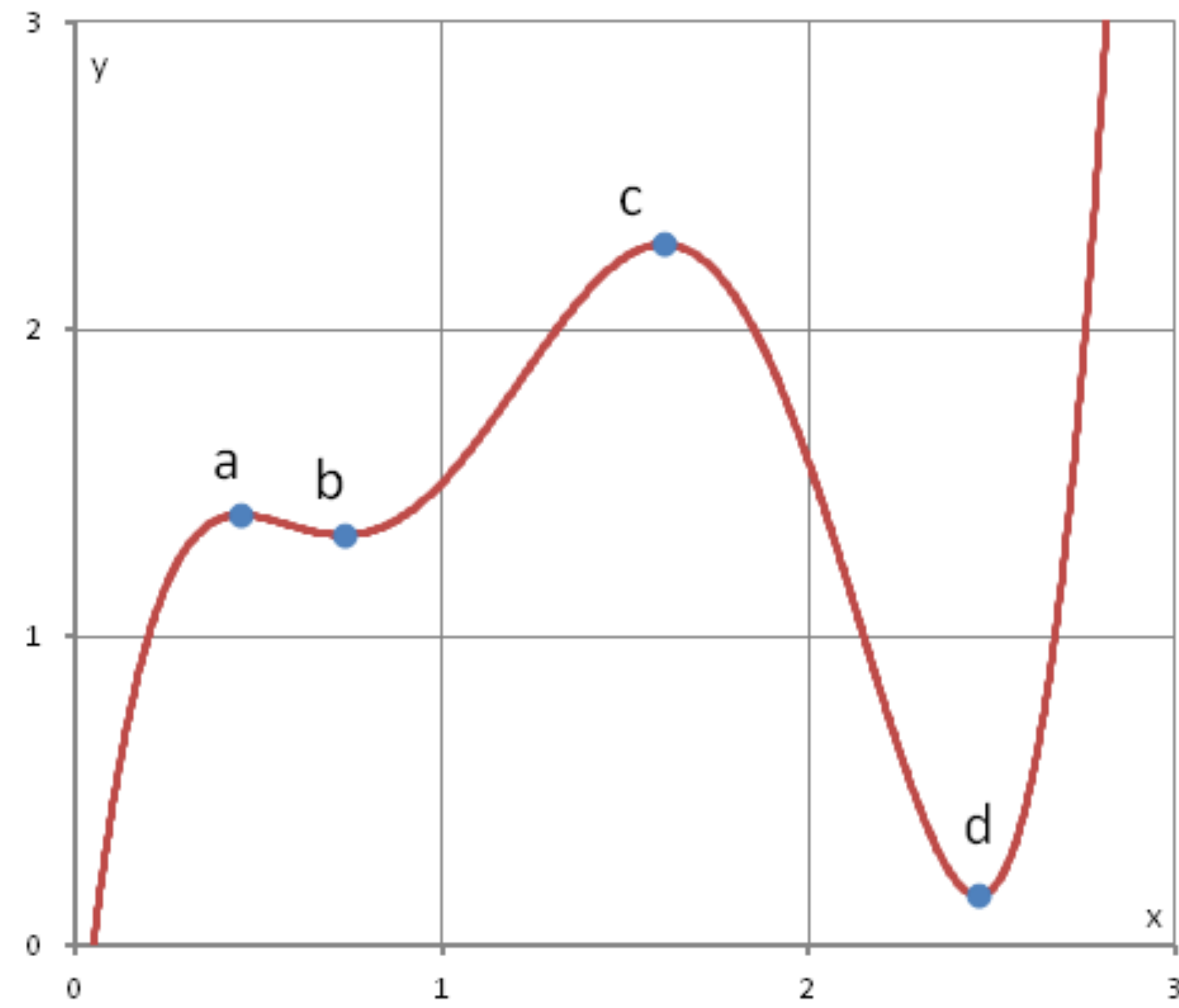
# Persistent homology with Čech complex



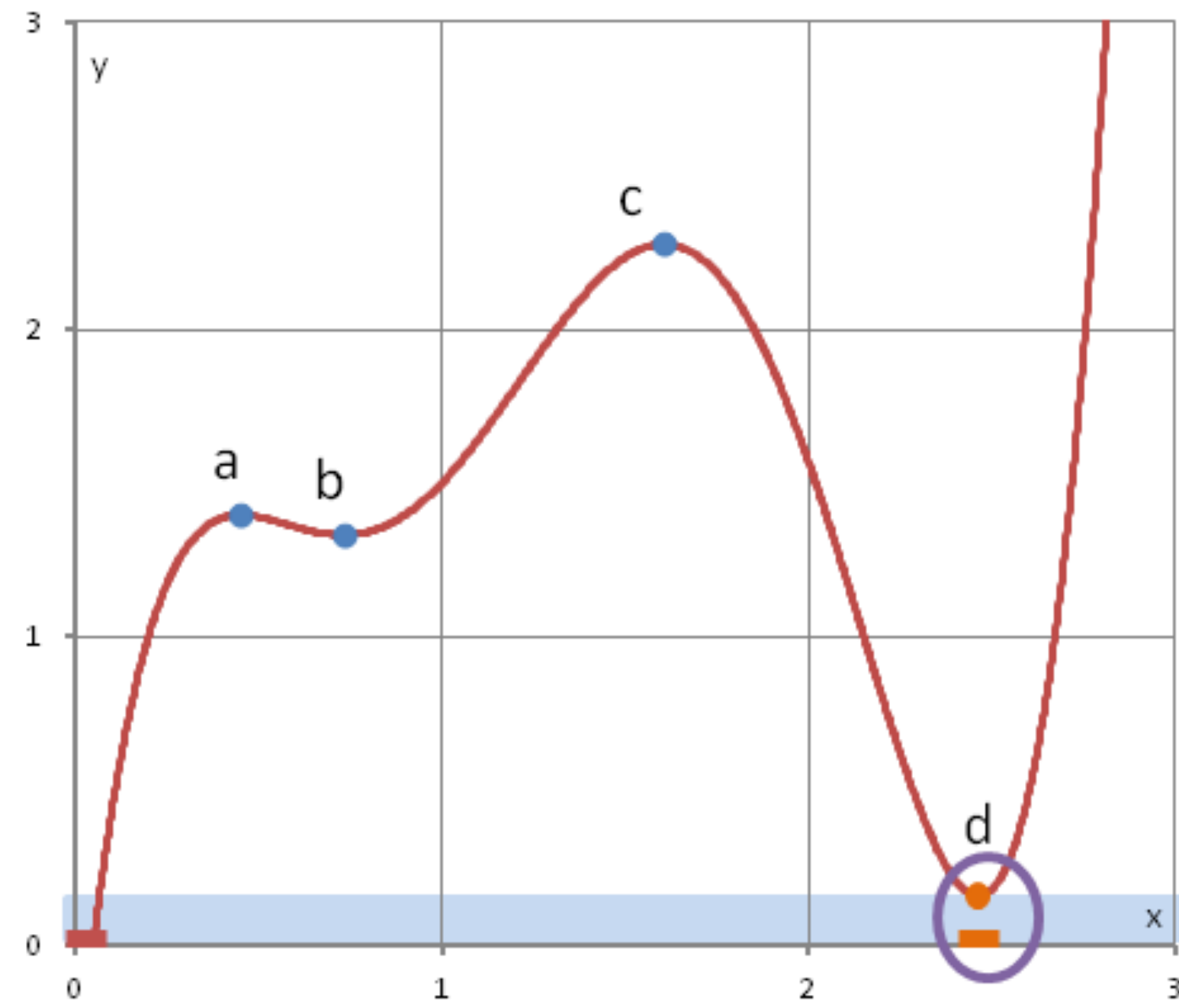
# To apply persistent homology

- A filtration of spaces with maps between them
- A scale parameter

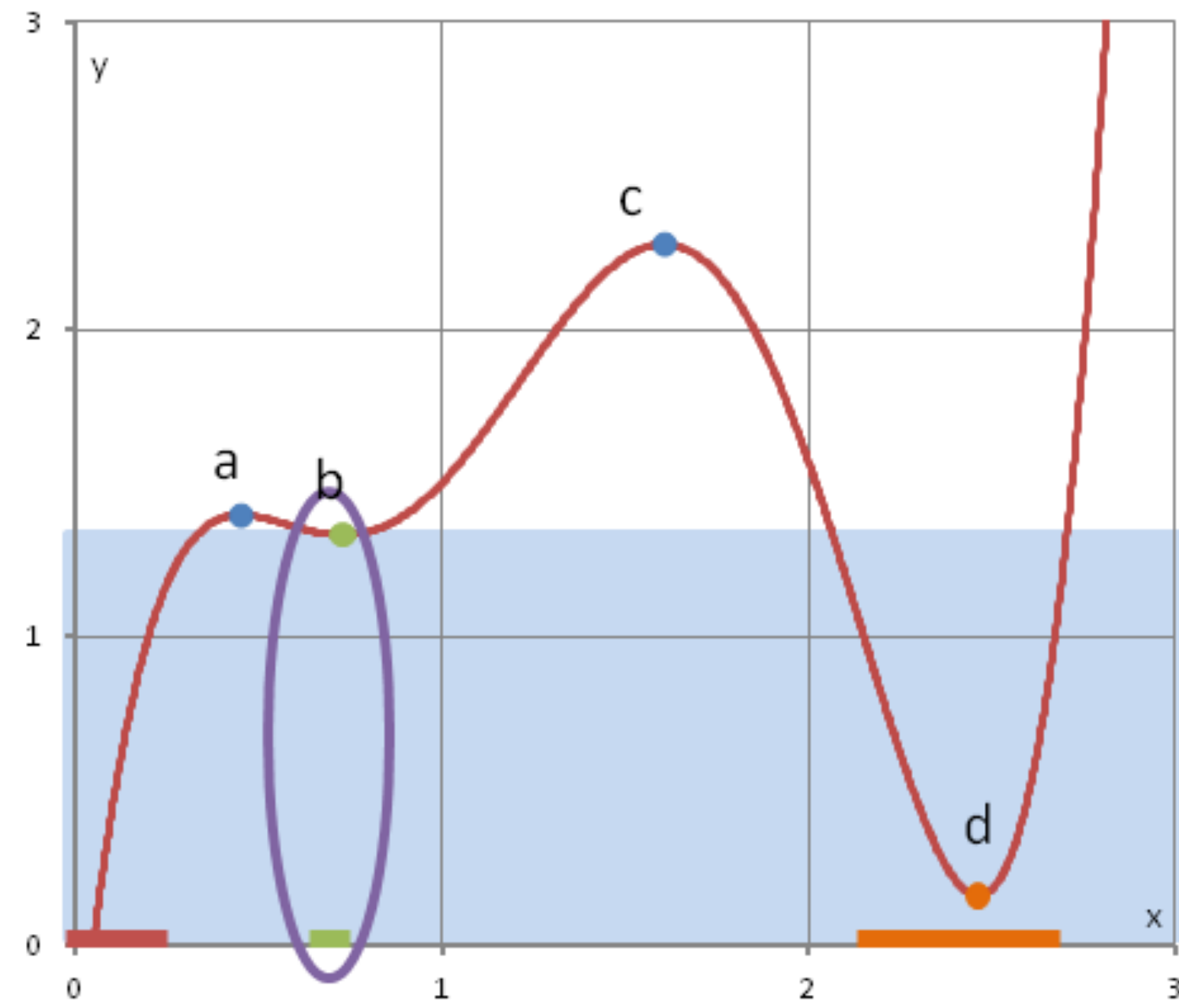
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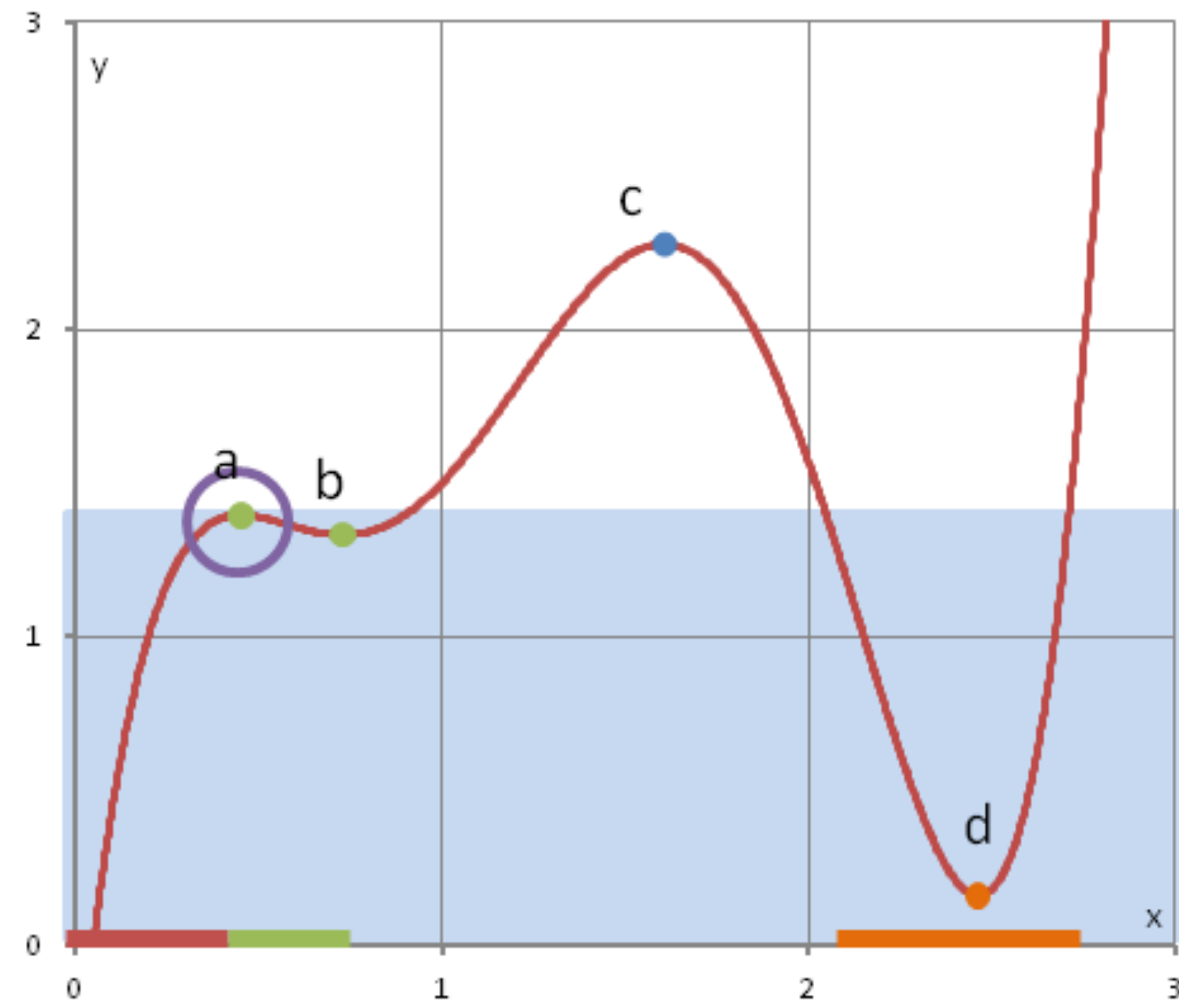
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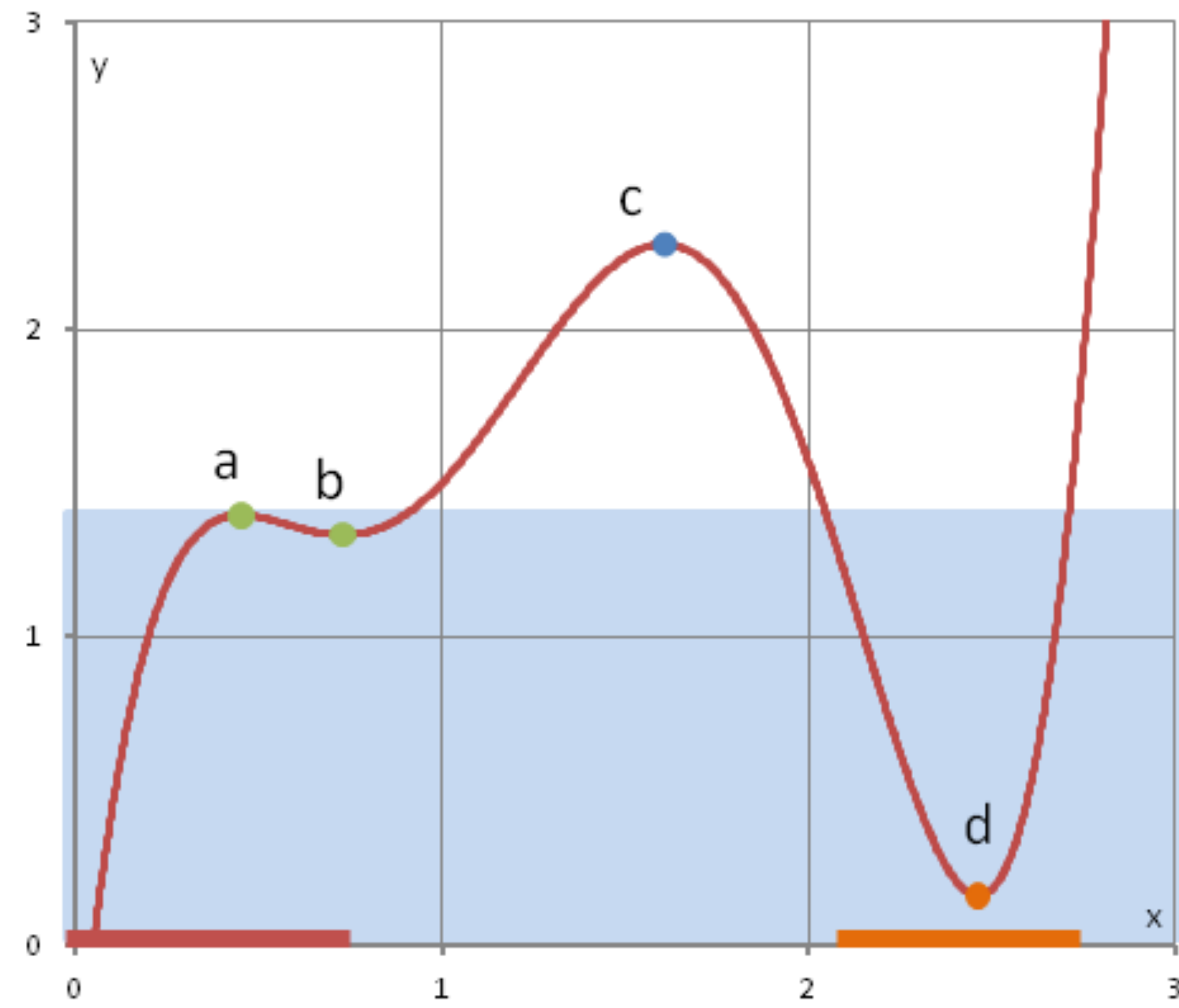
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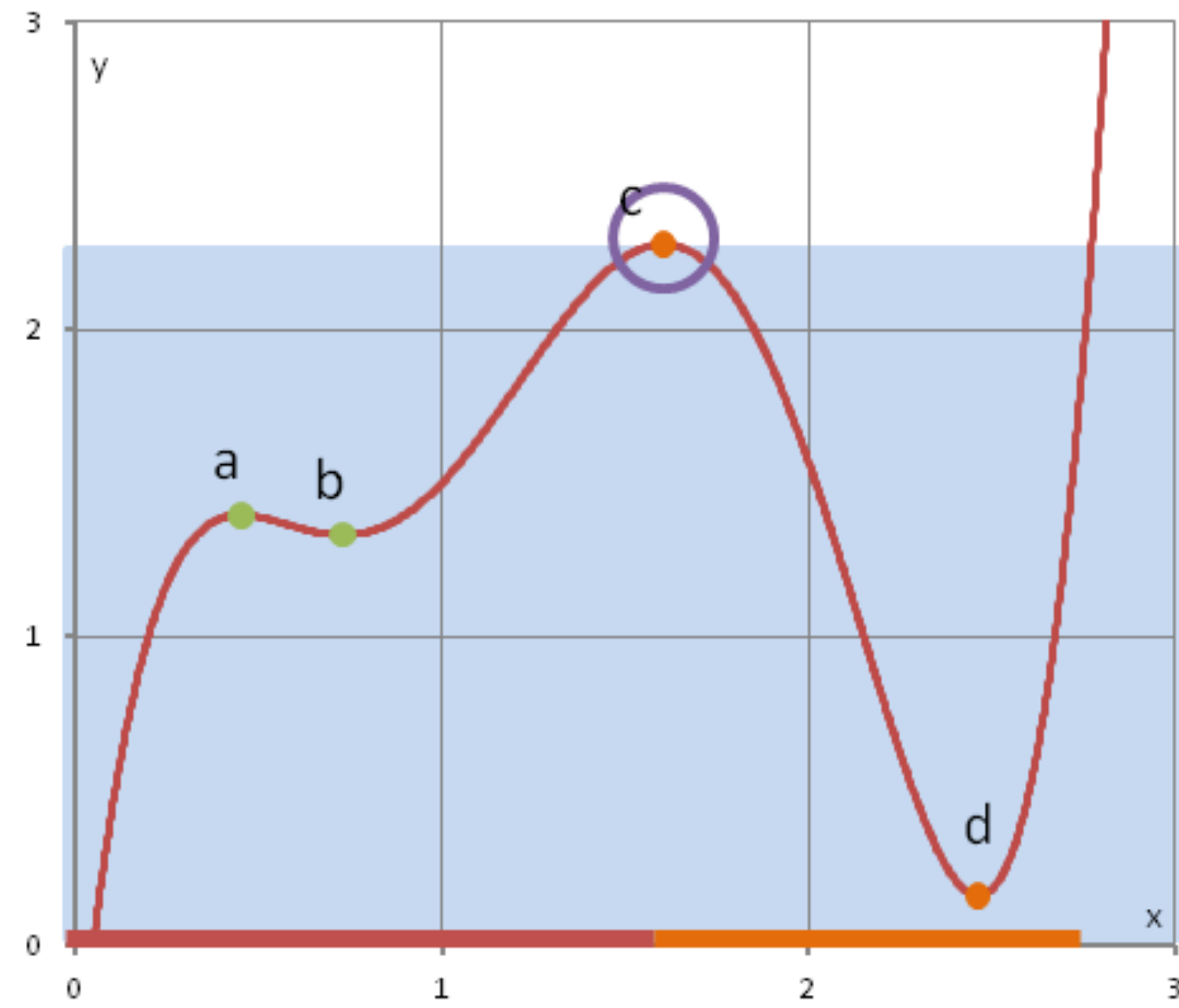
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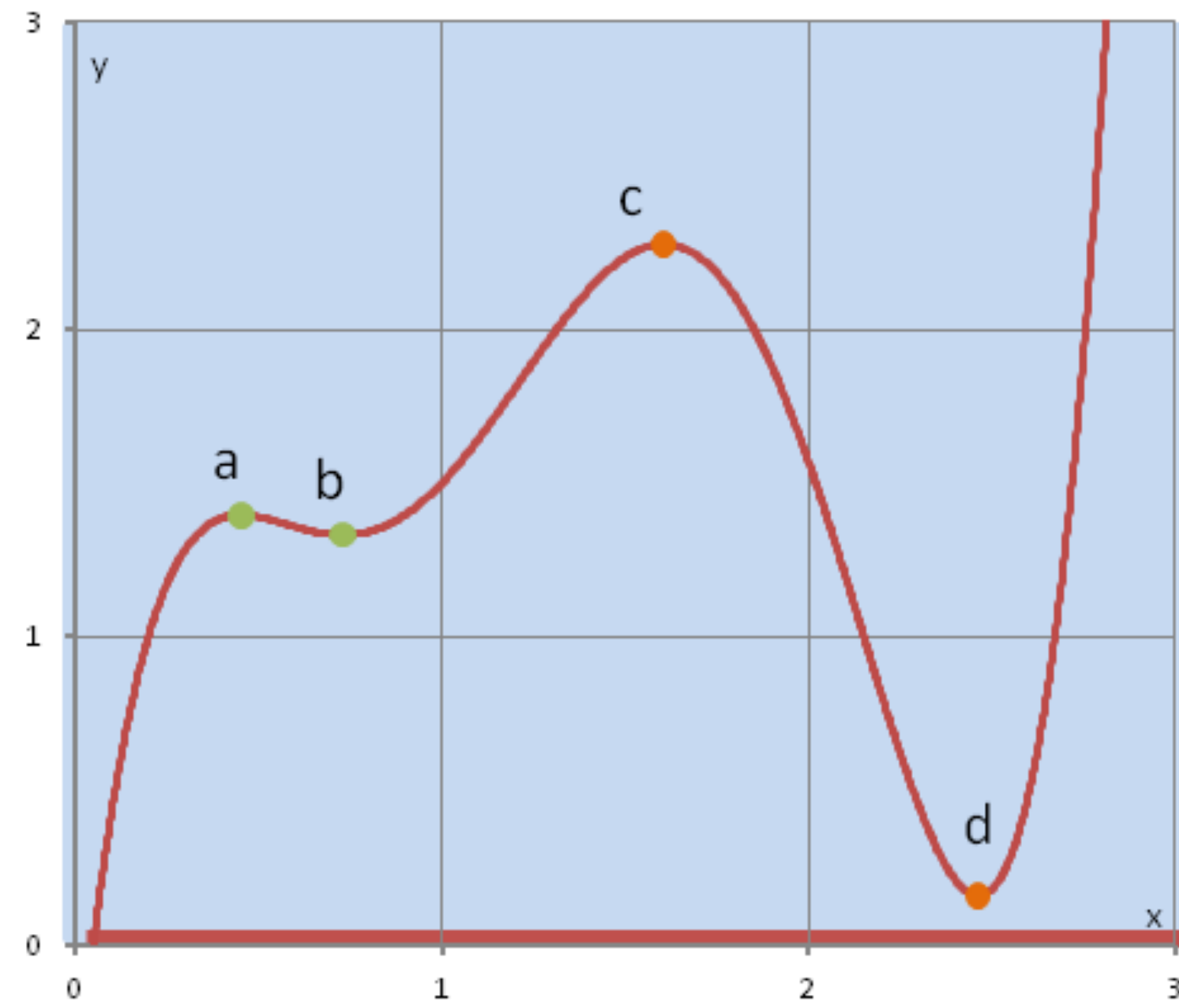


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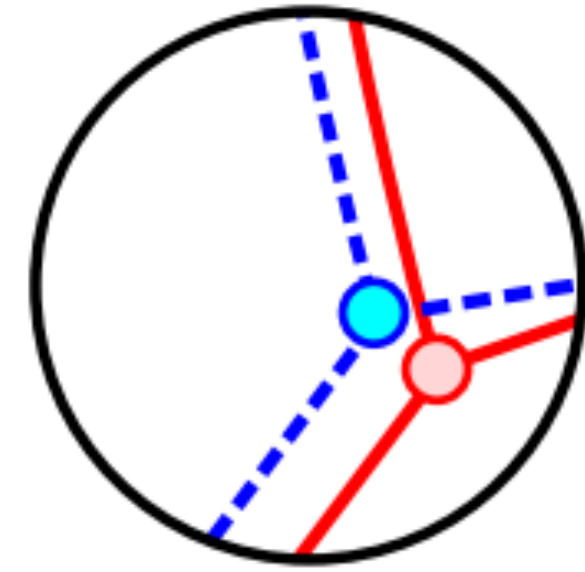


# Distance between persistence diagrams

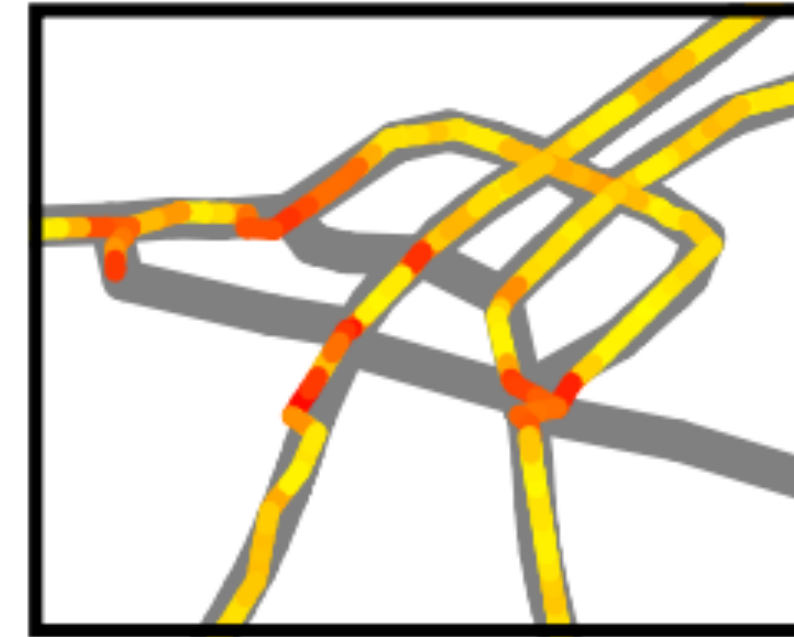
- Stability of persistence diagrams
- Bottleneck distance
- Wasserstein distance

## Beyond Persistent Homology

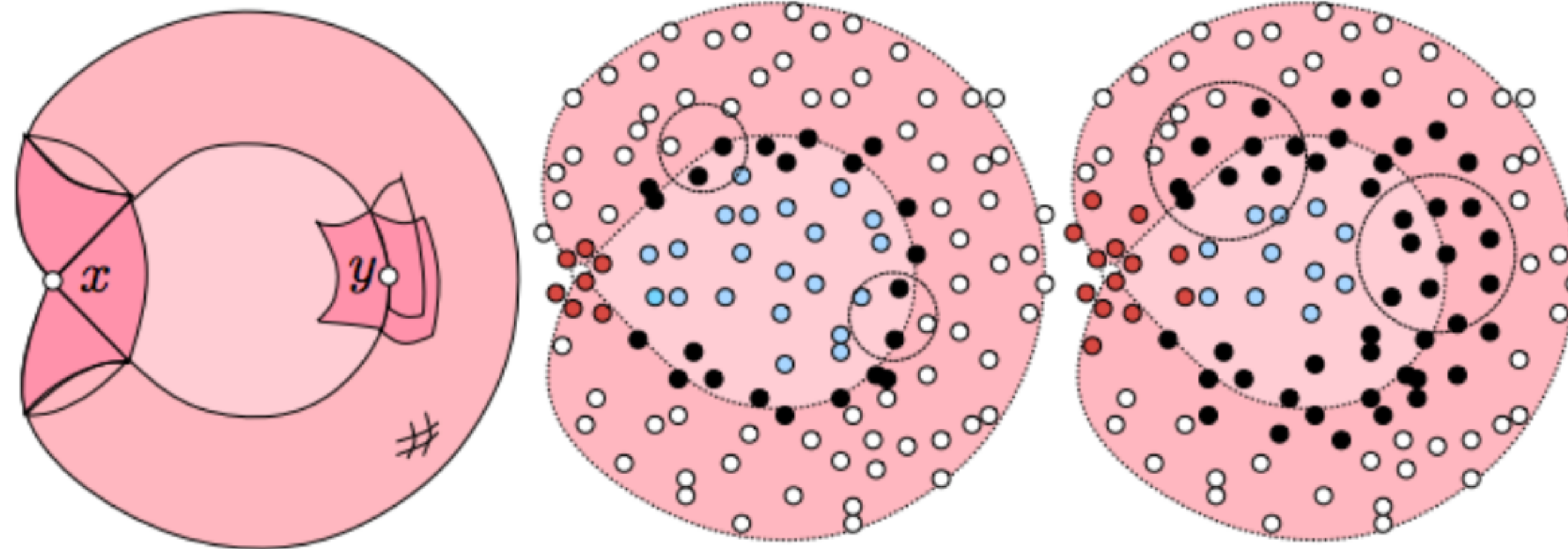
# Persistent local homology: applications



(a) Local Structures



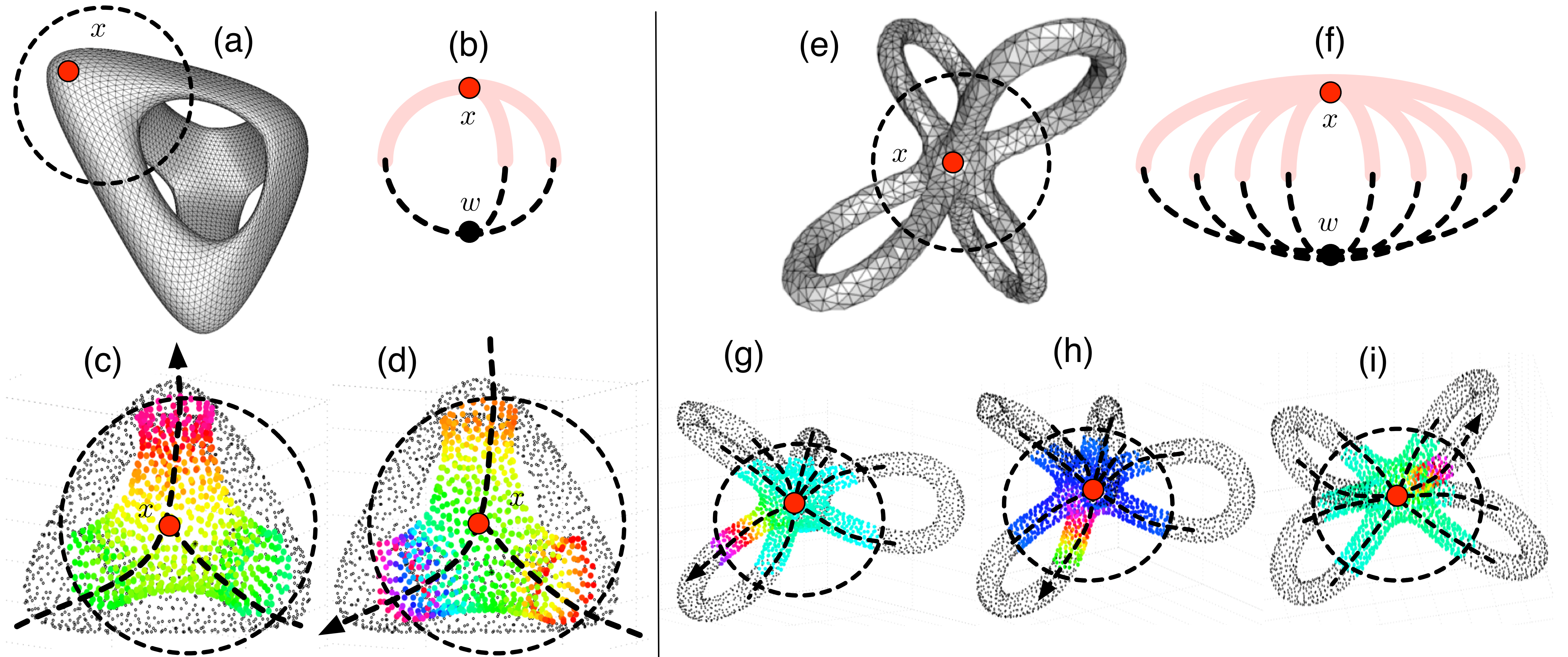
(b) Signature restricted to  $X$



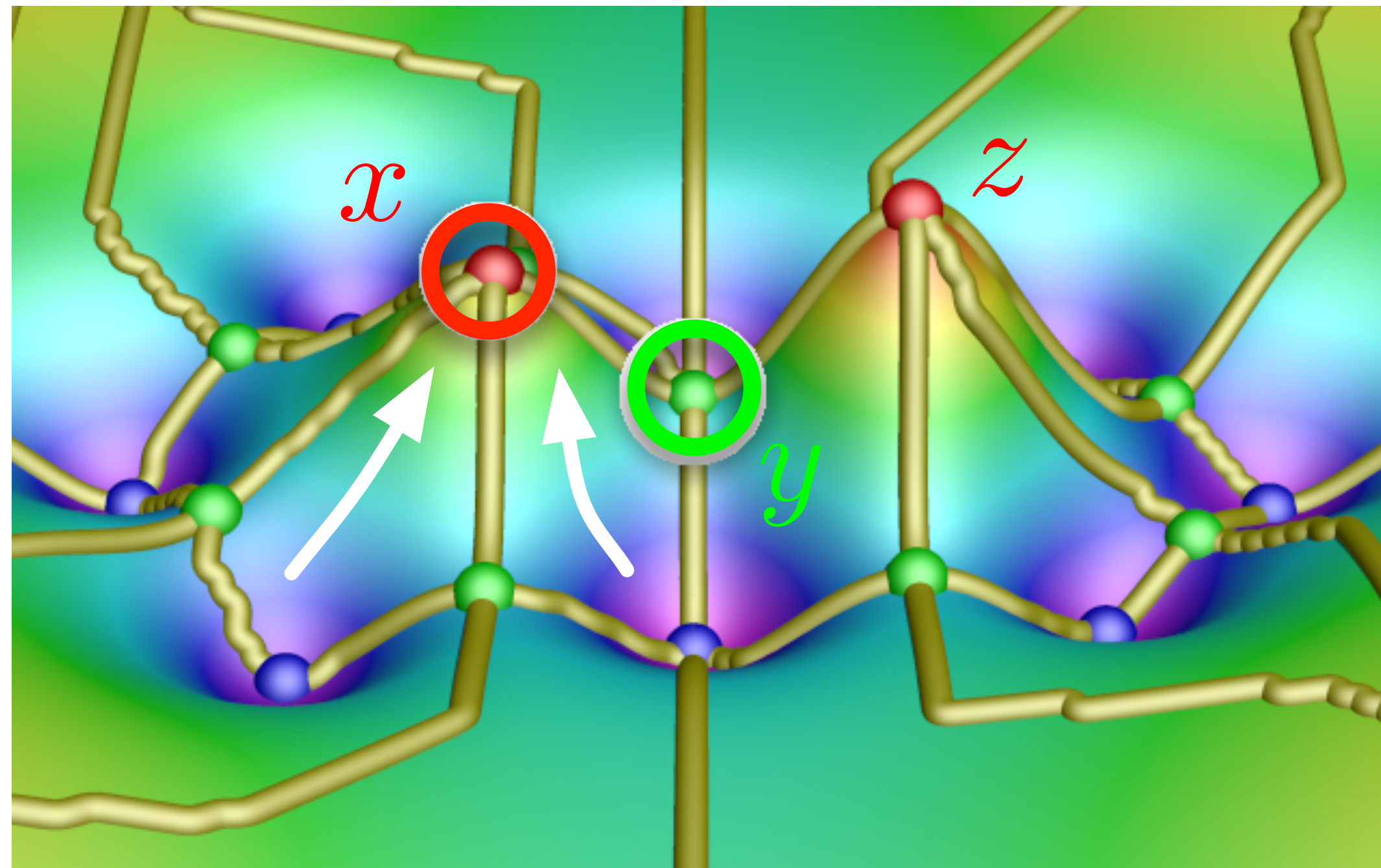
Road network comparison; stratification learning...

# TDA and dimensionality reduction (DR)

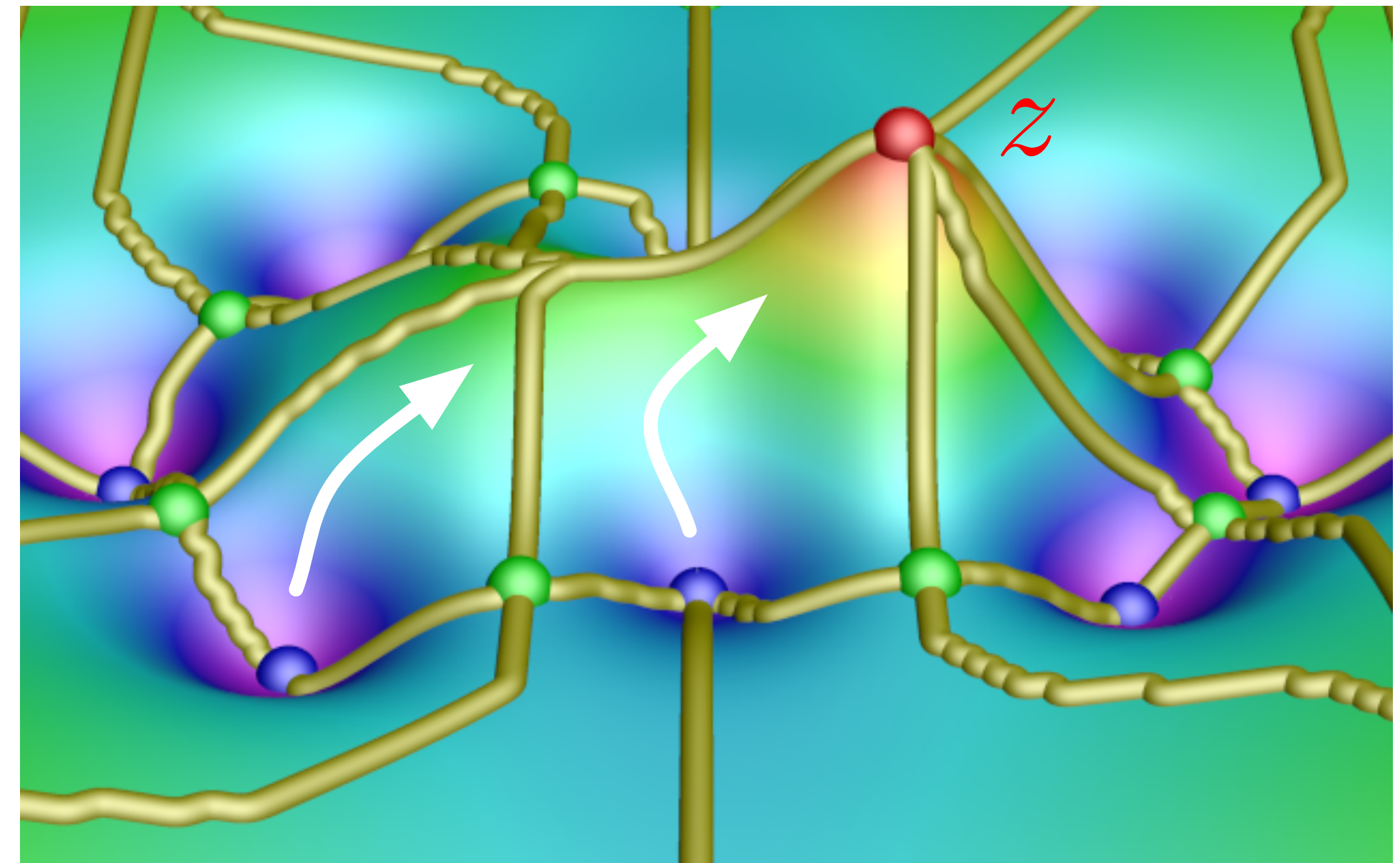
Detecting circular and branching structures for DR



# Persistence simplification of Morse-Smale complex



(a)



(b)

## Discussions

# Research directions in TDA and visualization

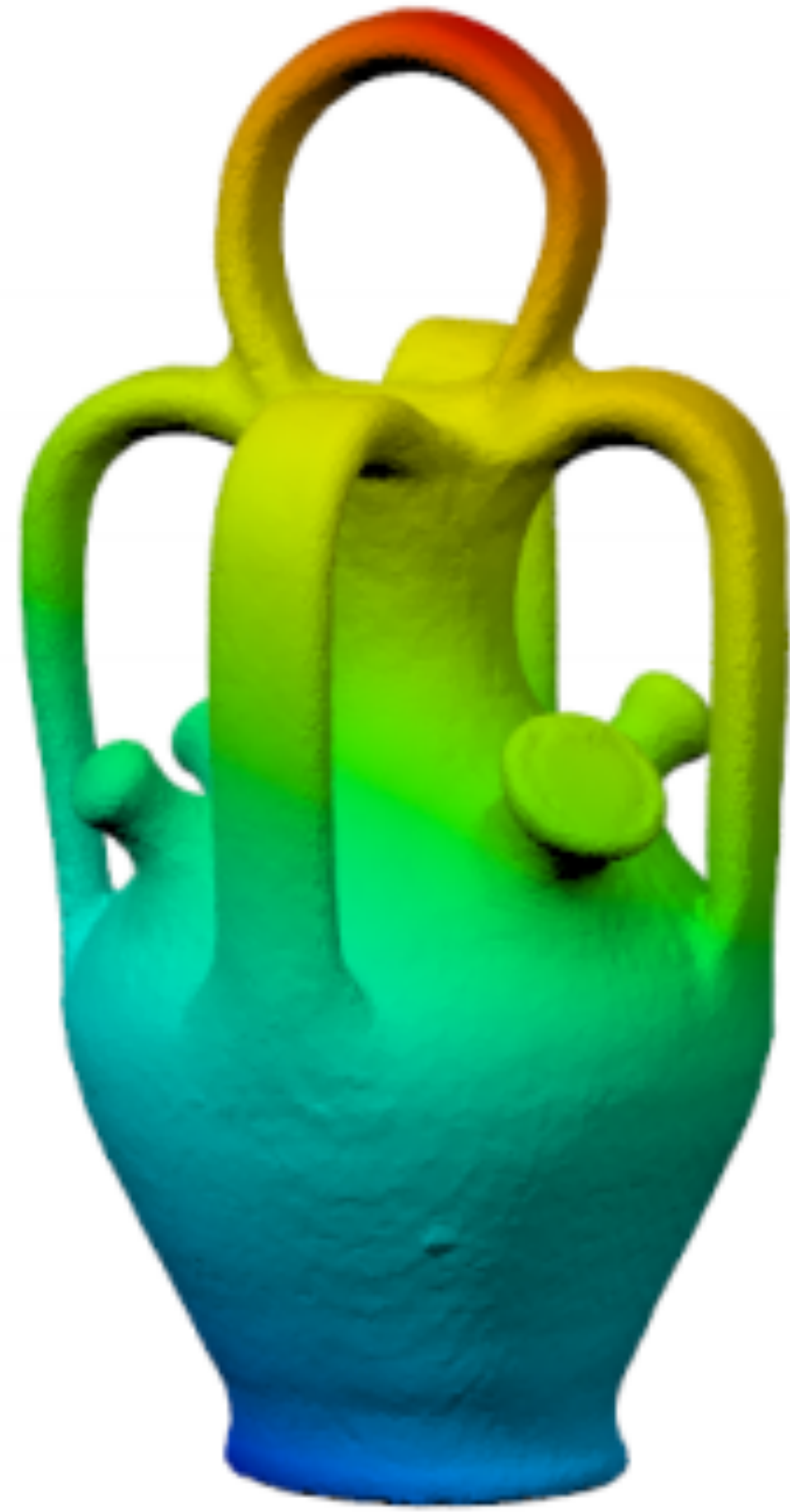
- Reeb graphs, Reeb Spaces, and Mappers.
- Topological analysis and visualization of multivariate data.
- New opportunities for vector field topology.
- Category theory: theory and applications.
- Multidimensional persistent homology.
- Singularity theory and fiber topology in multivariate data analysis.
- Scalable computation.
- Software tools and libraries.

[Dagstuhl Seminar 17292 Report 2017]



# More case studies...

- Study of low-dimensional data inspires techniques for high-dimensional data



# Handles of 3D models

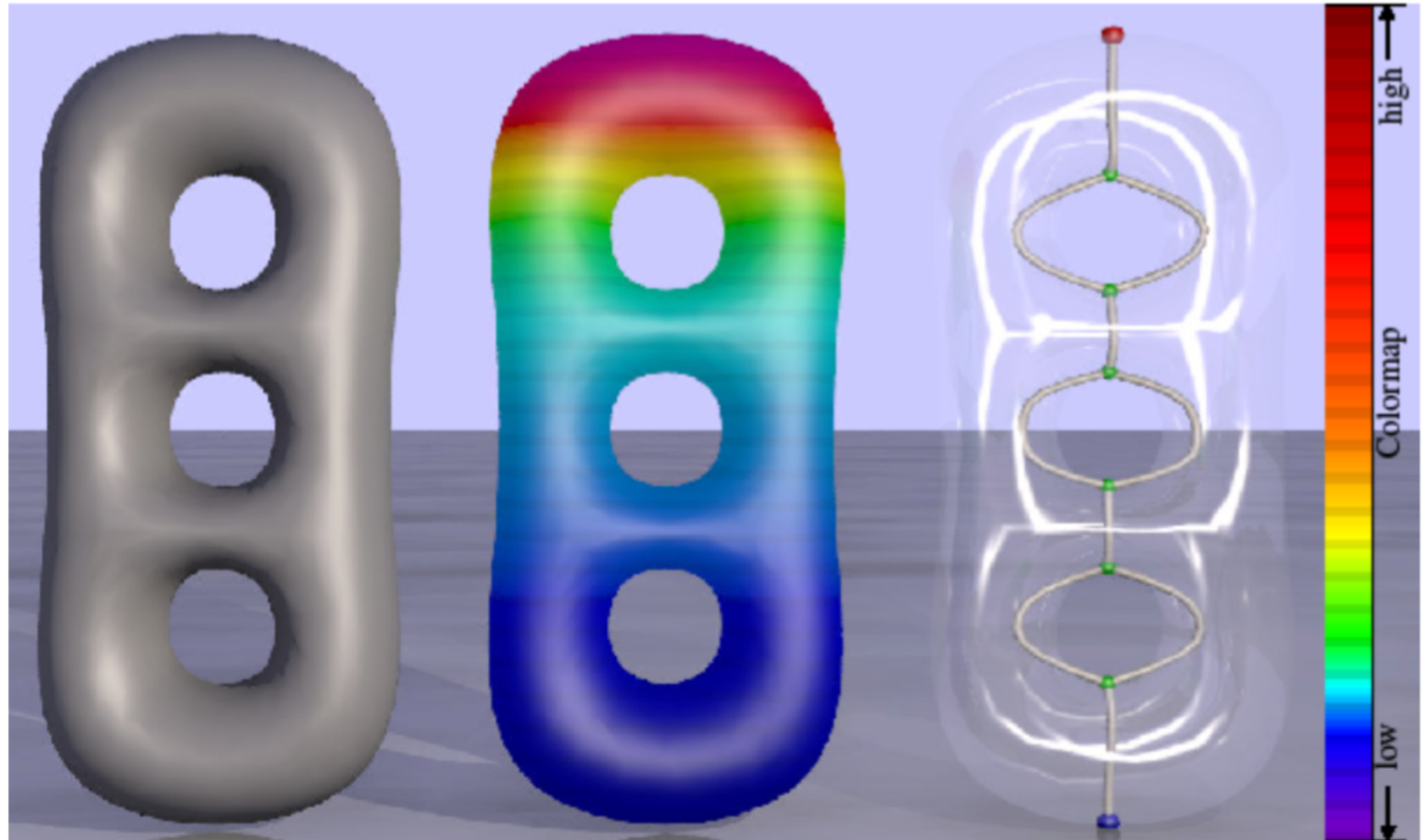
[DeyFanWang2013]

<http://web.cse.ohio-state.edu/~wang.1016/papers/sig2013-loops.pdf>

Graph obtained by continuous contraction of all the contours in a scalar field, where each contour is collapsed to a distinct point.

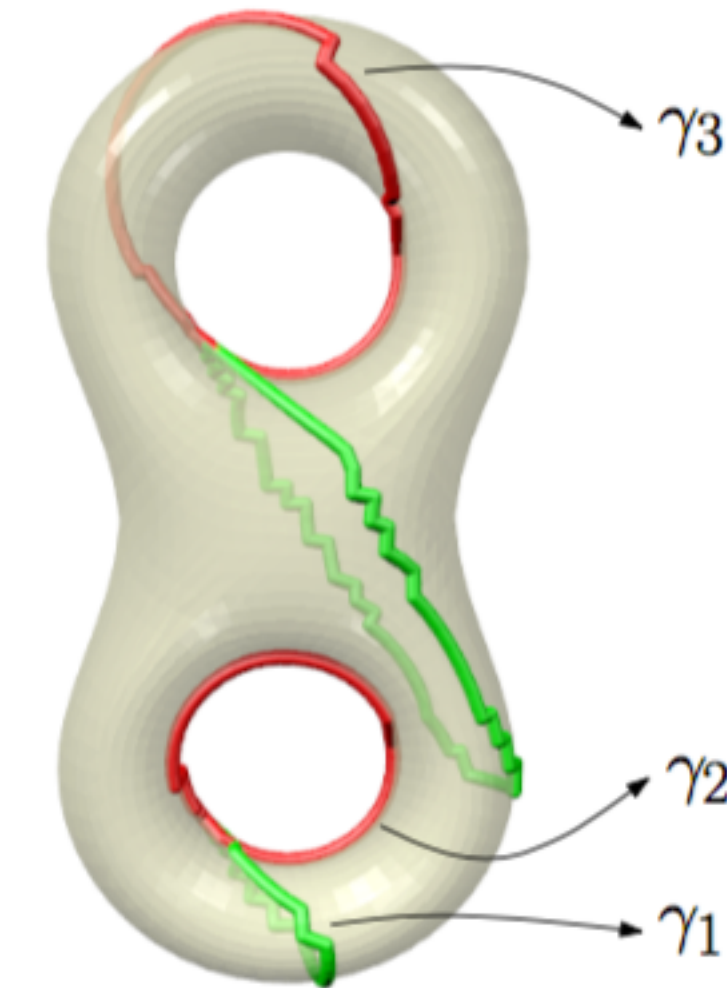
# Review: Reeb Graph

A generalization of  
contour tree

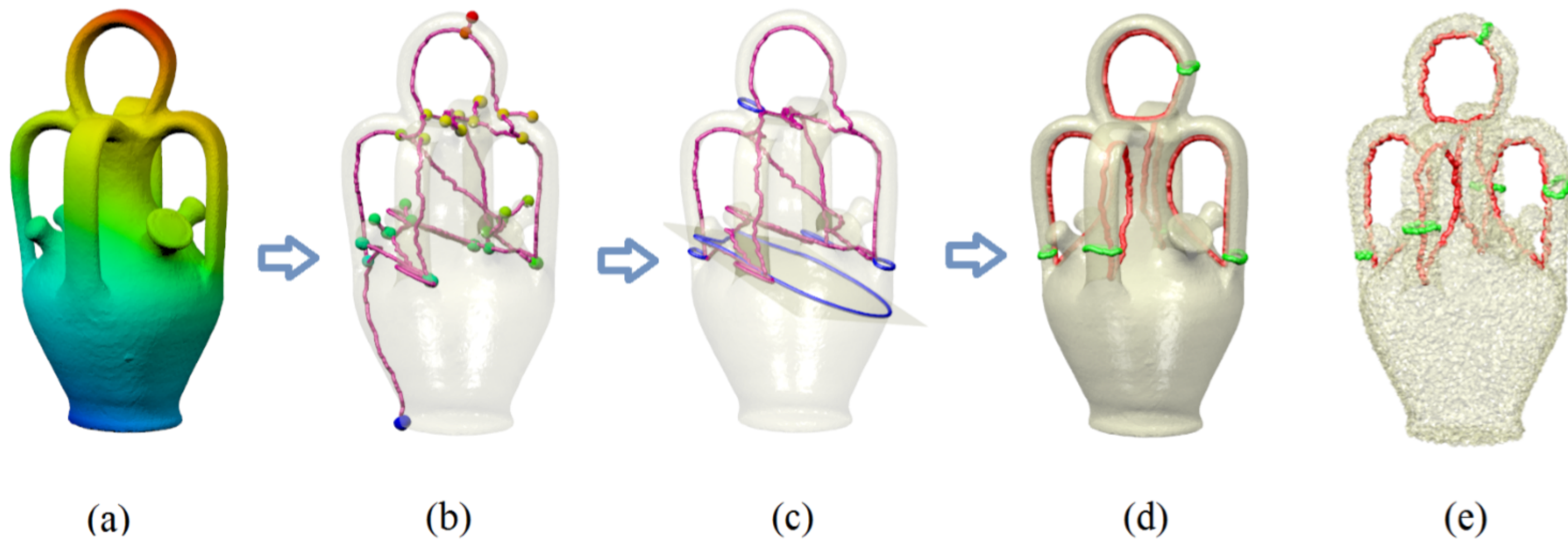


# High-level techniques

- Using Reeb Graph to find initial nontrivial loops/tunnels/handles
- Using optimization to find the ideal ones

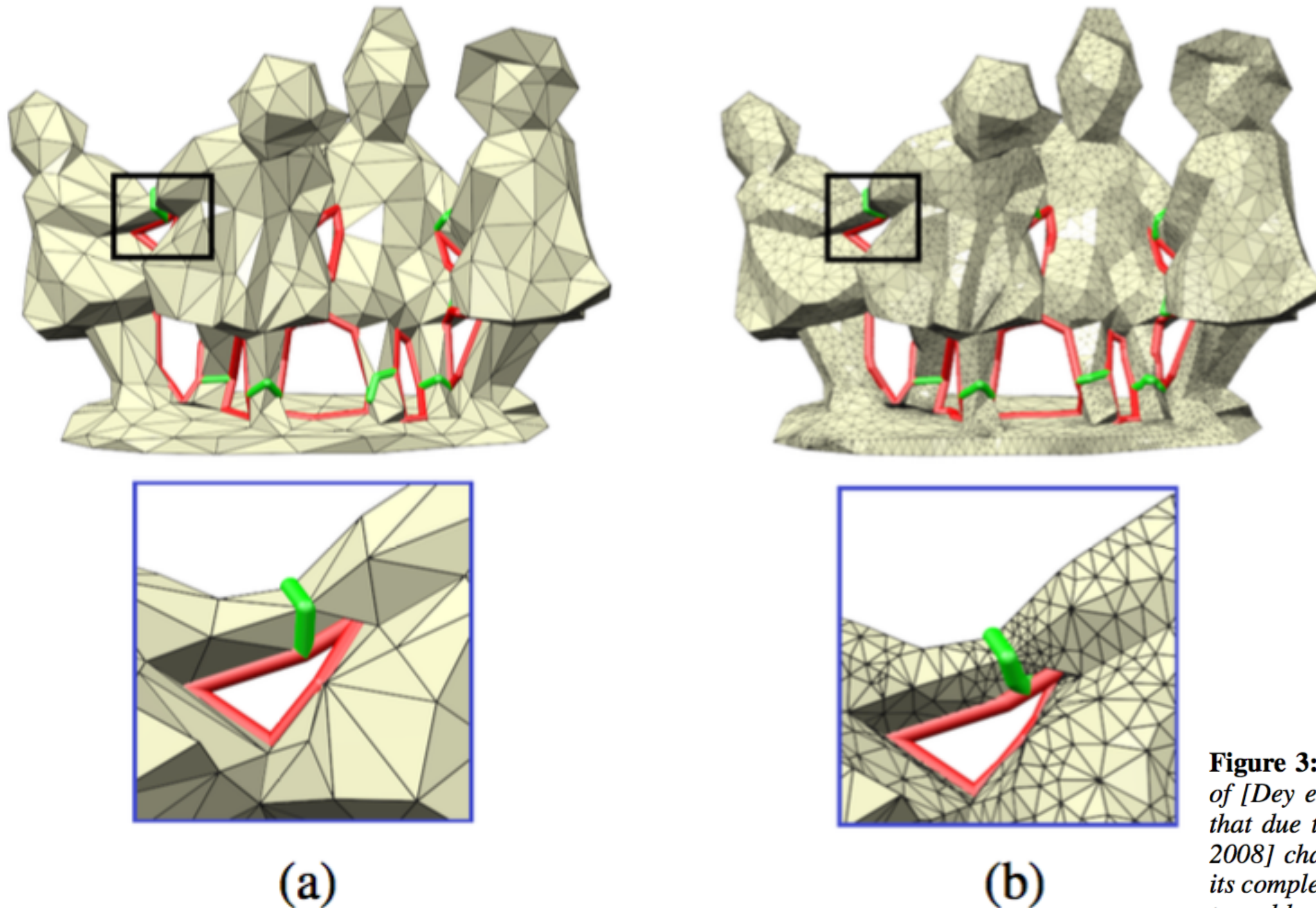


**Figure 2:**  $\gamma_1$  is a handle loop and  $\gamma_2$  a tunnel loop.  $\gamma_3$  is neither.

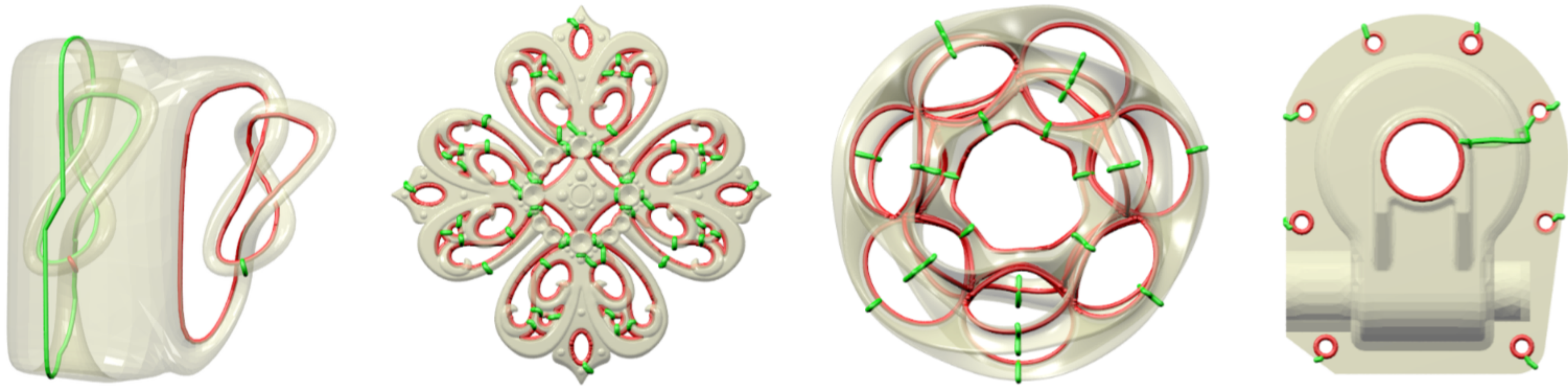


**Figure 1:** (a) – (d) shows the pipeline of our algorithm: (a) The height function on the input surface. (b) Reeb graph w.r.t. the height function. (c) Initial handle and tunnel loops. (d) Final handle / tunnel loops after geometric optimization. (e) The output is stable under noise.

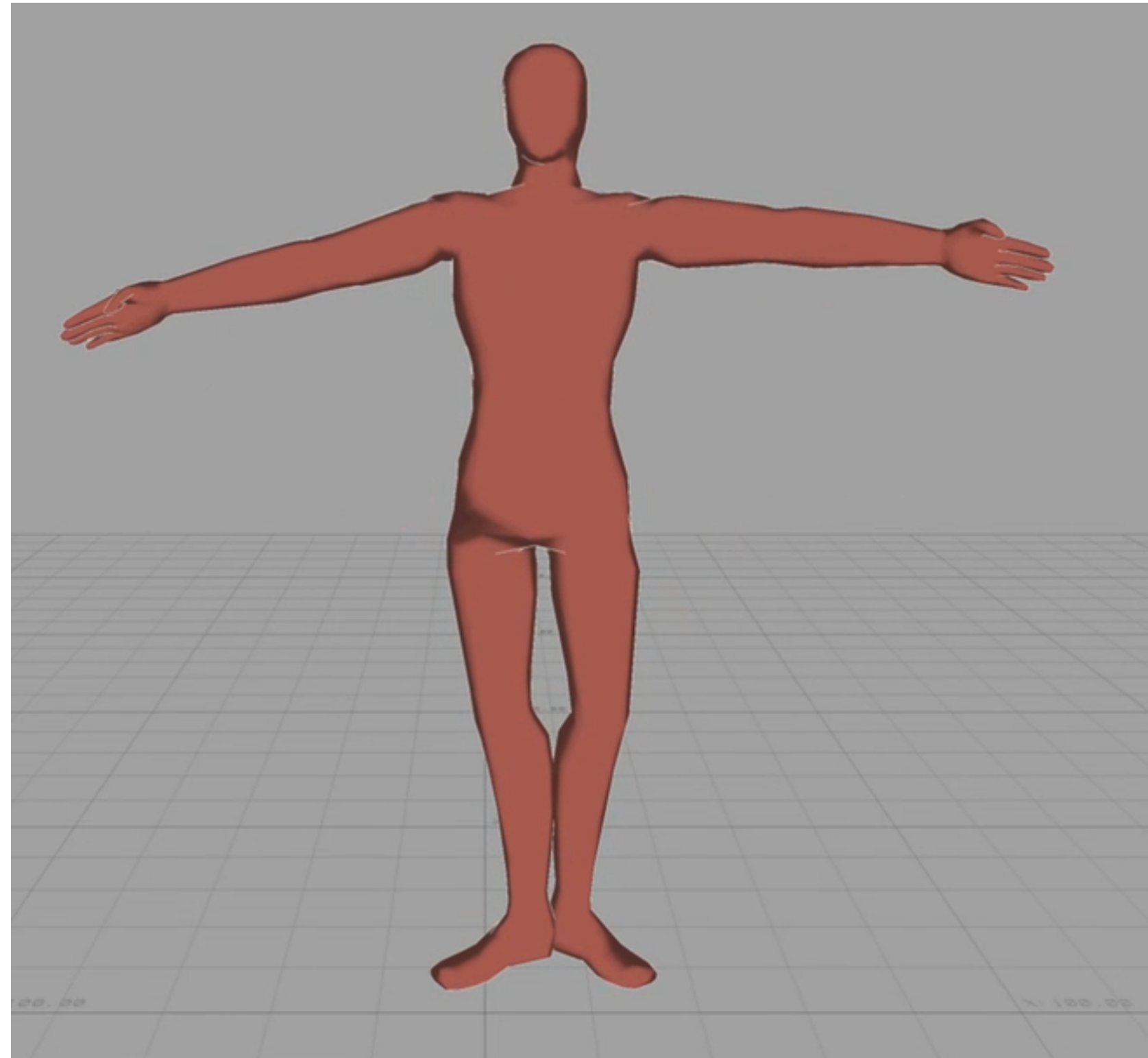
# Fast processing with original mesh



**Figure 3:** The output of (a) our algorithm and (b) the algorithm of [Dey et al. 2008] for an input mesh with 449 vertices. Note that due to the tetrahedral meshing, the algorithm of [Dey et al. 2008] changes the input surface mesh and significantly increases its complexity to 7943 vertices. Our algorithm obtained handle and tunnel loops of good quality from the original sparse mesh.



**Figure 6:** *Various examples. From left to right: KNOTTY-CUP, FILIGREE, HEPTOROID and CASTING.*



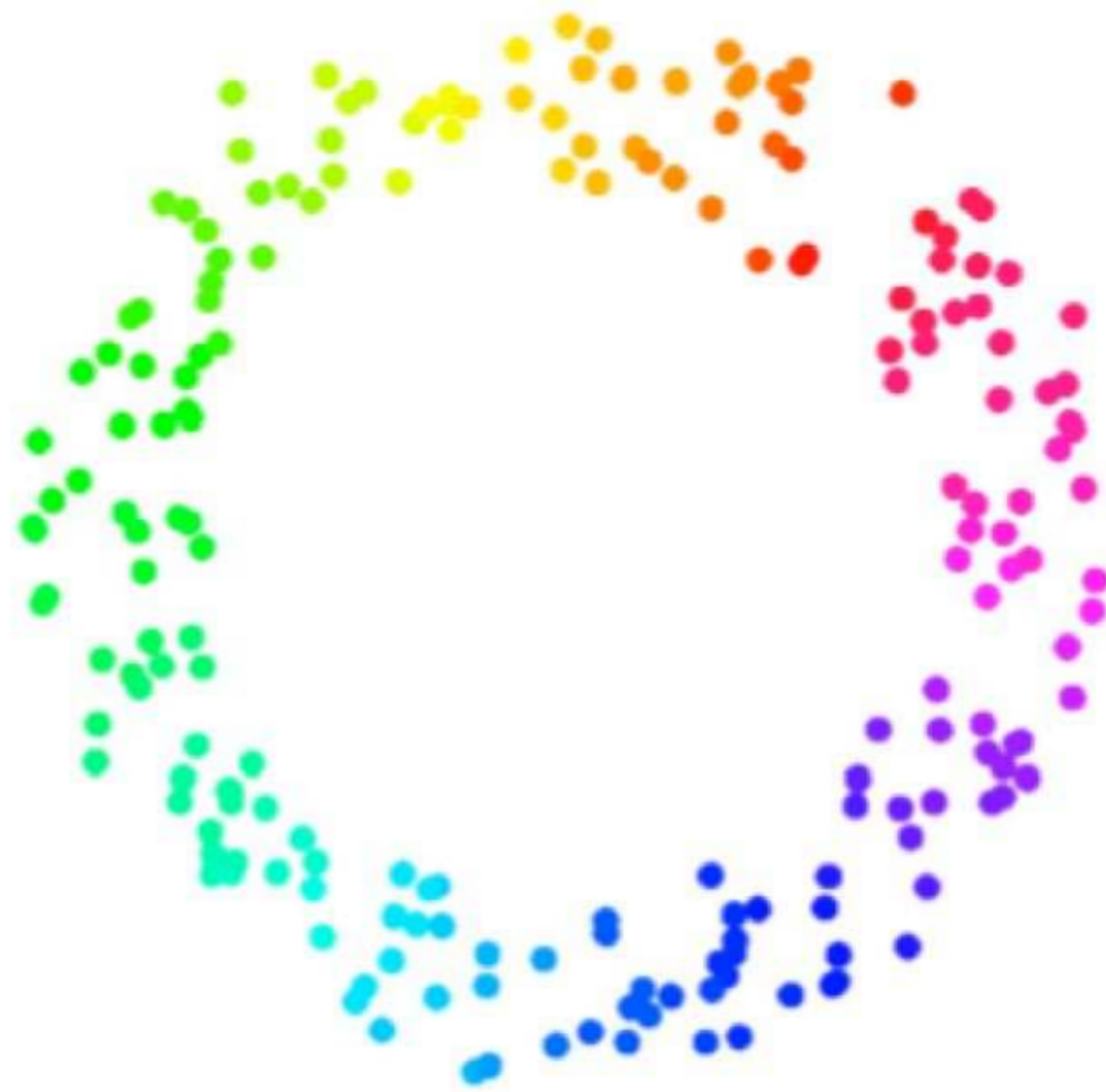
# Circular and Branching Structures in High-dim

[WangSummaPascucci2011]

[http://www.sci.utah.edu/~beiwang/publications/Branching\\_BeiWang\\_2011.pdf](http://www.sci.utah.edu/~beiwang/publications/Branching_BeiWang_2011.pdf)



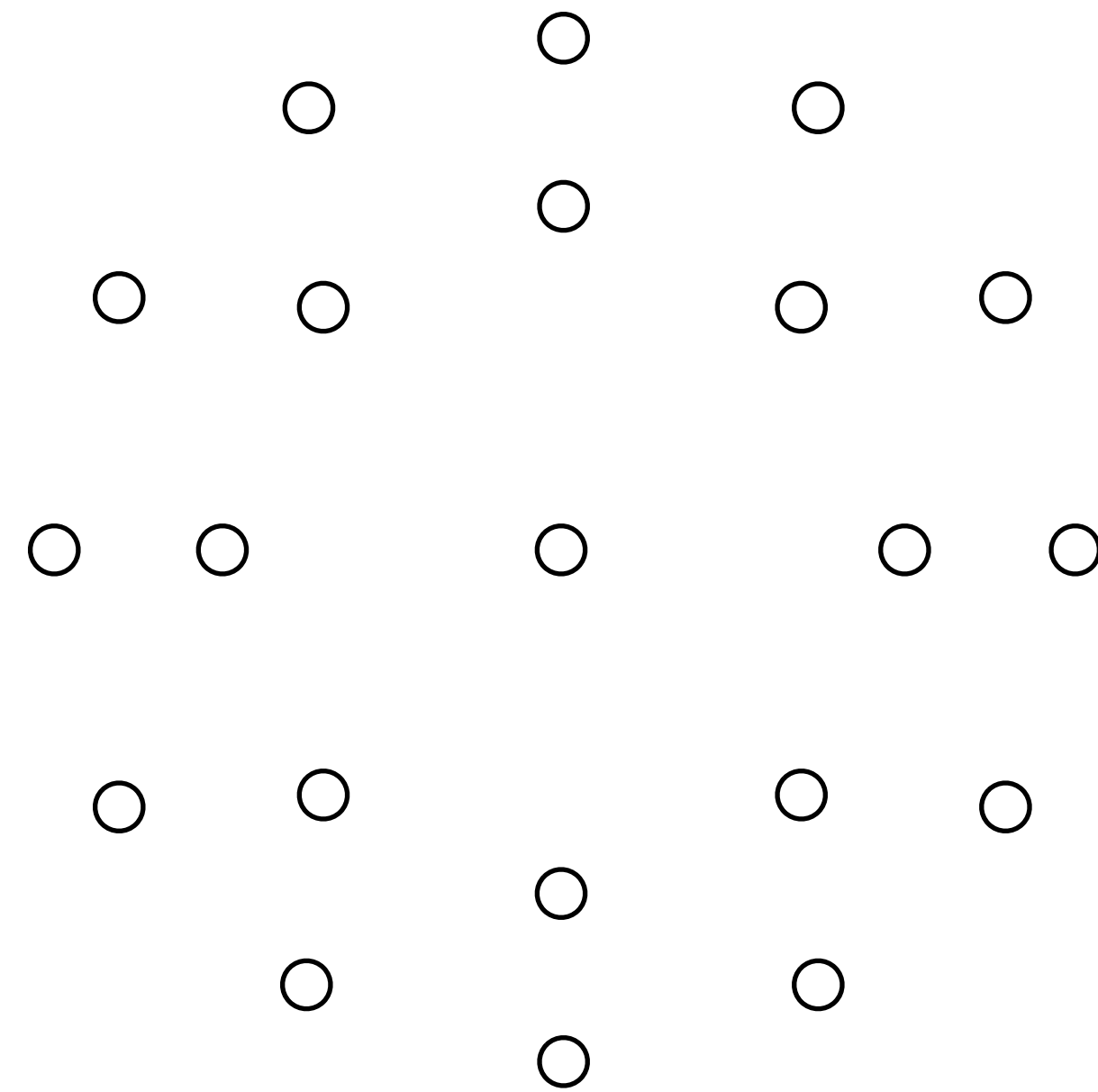
# Inferring circular structure



# High-level techniques

- Persistent homology (PH), persistent cohomology (dual version)
- Circular parametrization

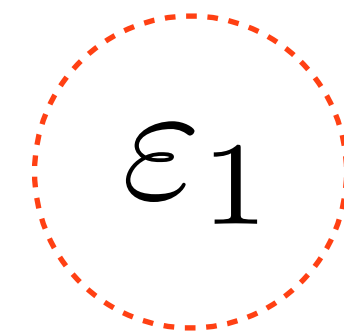
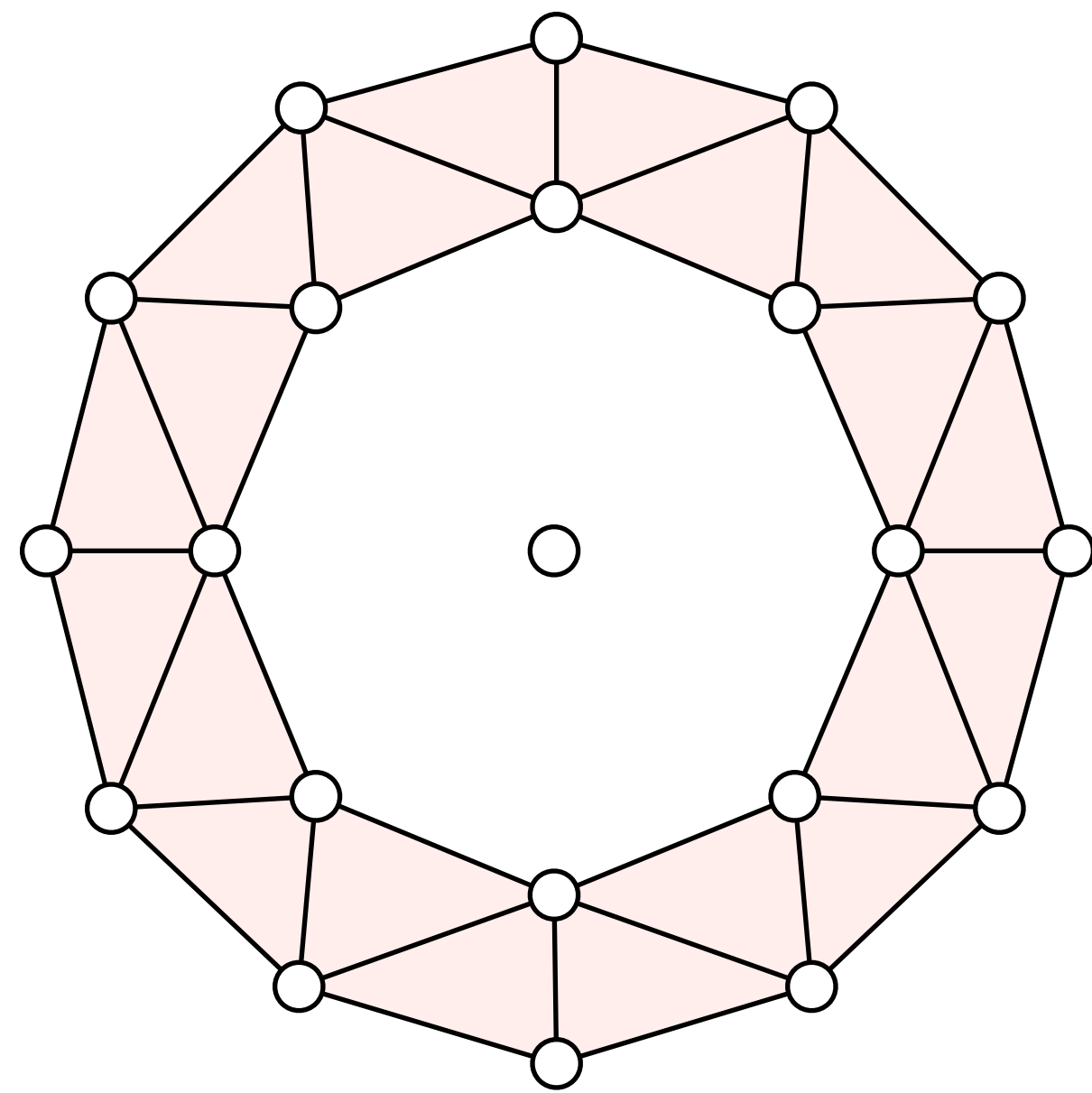
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$\varepsilon_0$

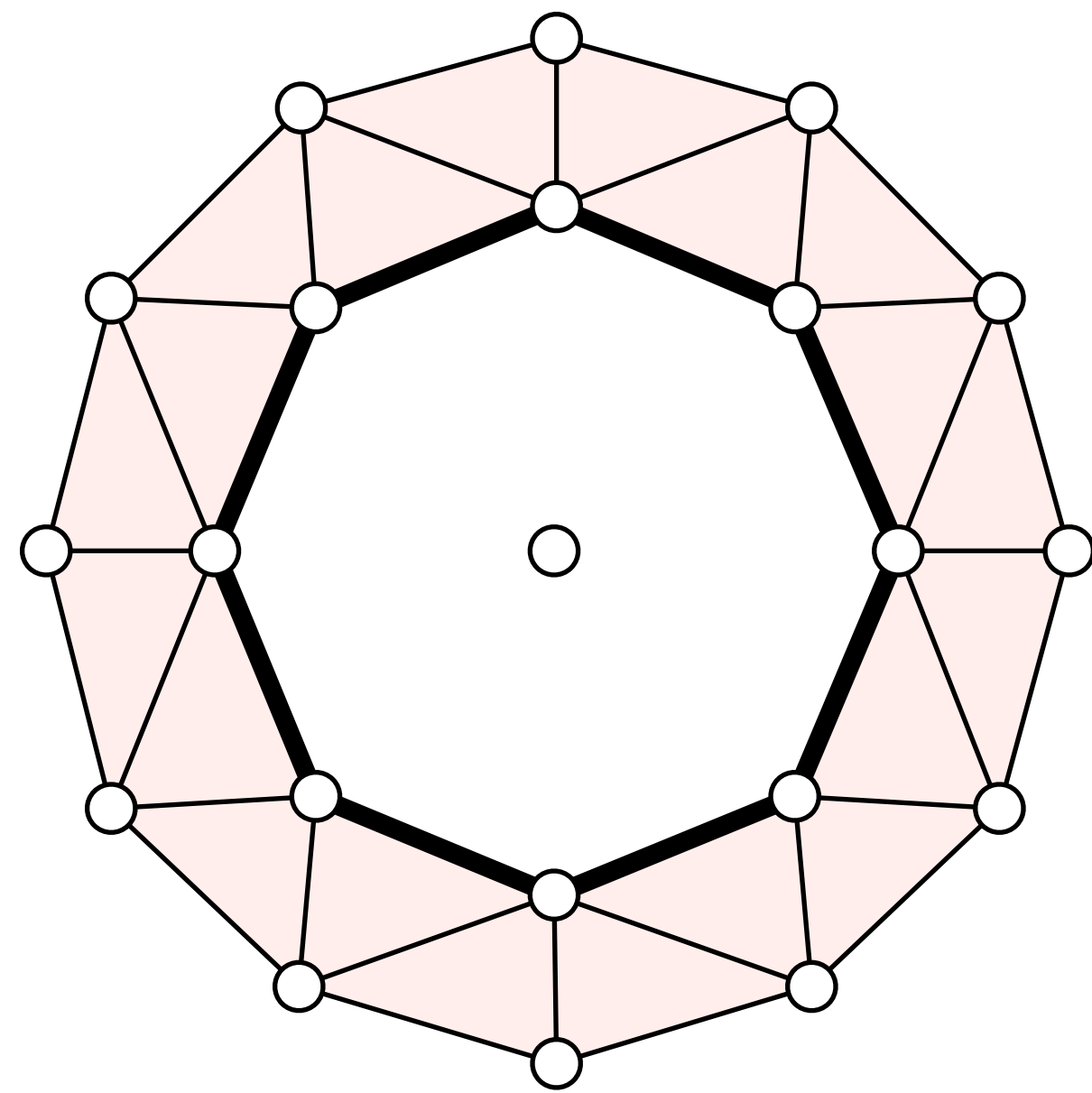
$Rips(X, \varepsilon_0)$

# PH and parametrization



$$Rips(X, \varepsilon_0) \subseteq Rips(X, \varepsilon_1)$$

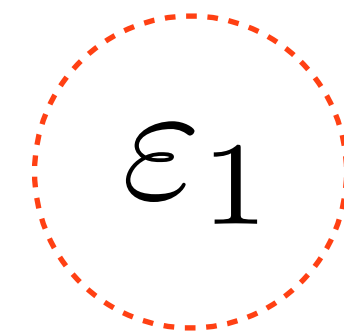
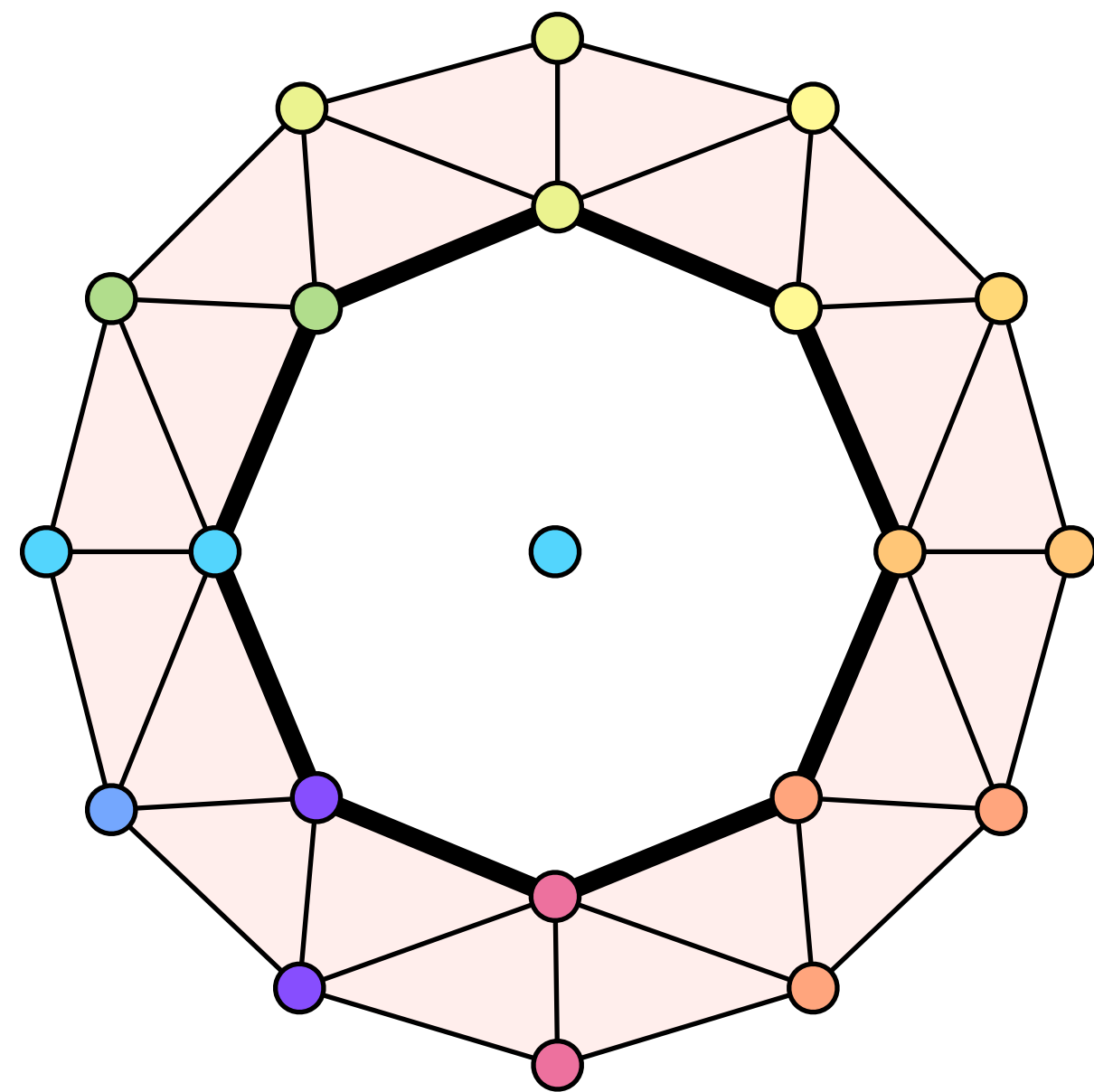
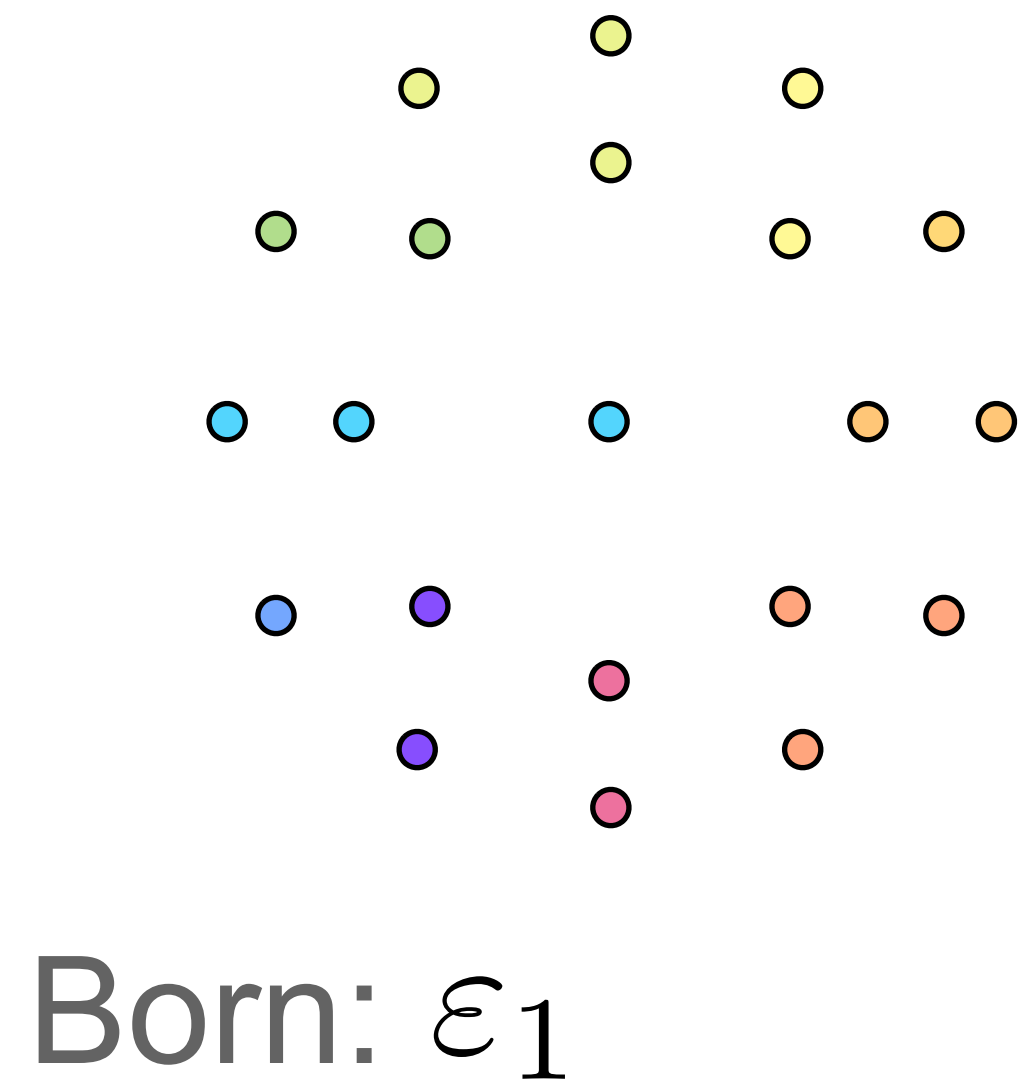
# PH and parametrization



$\varepsilon_1$

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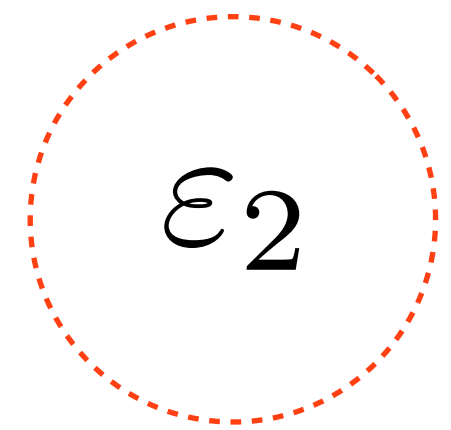
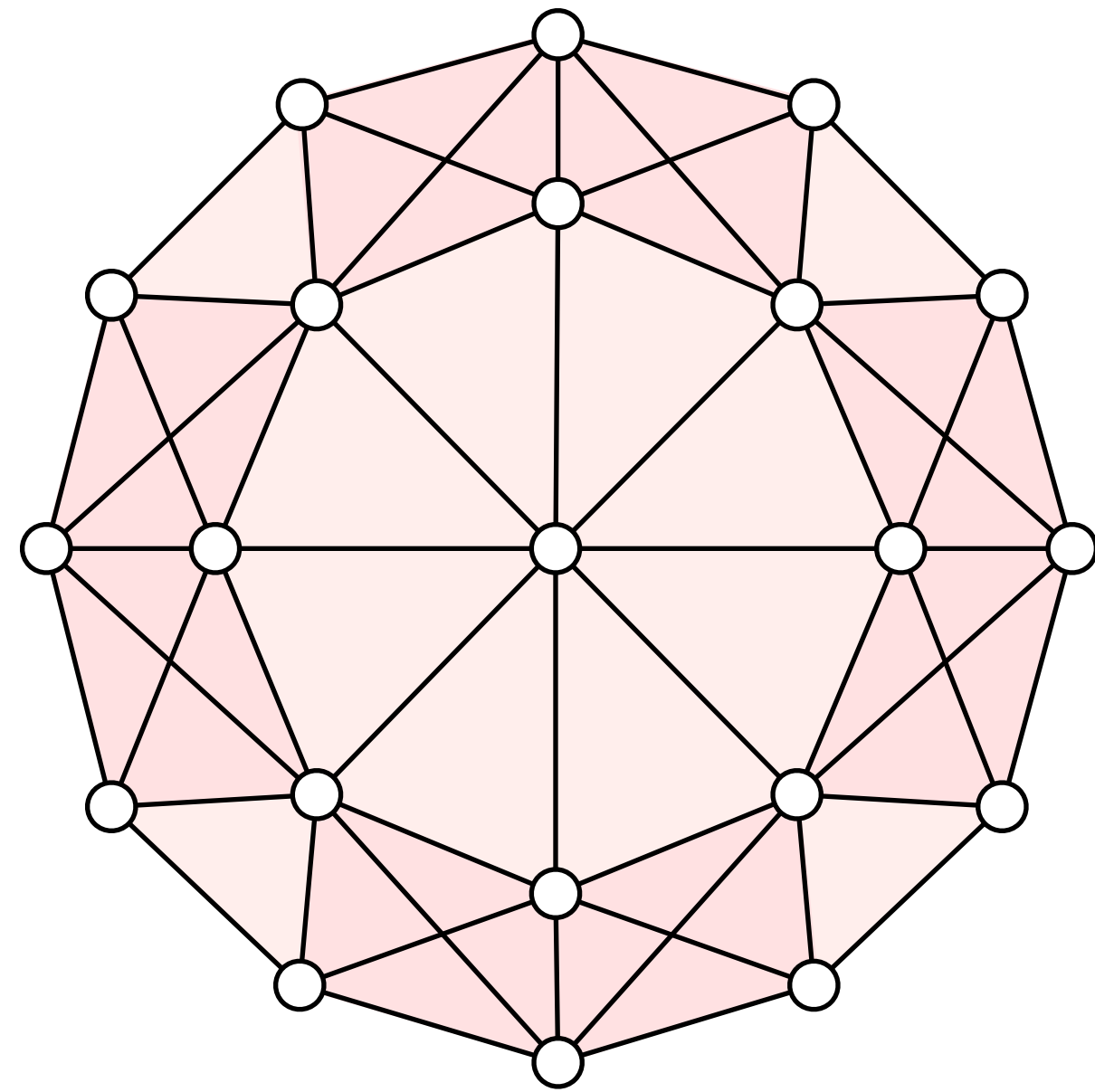
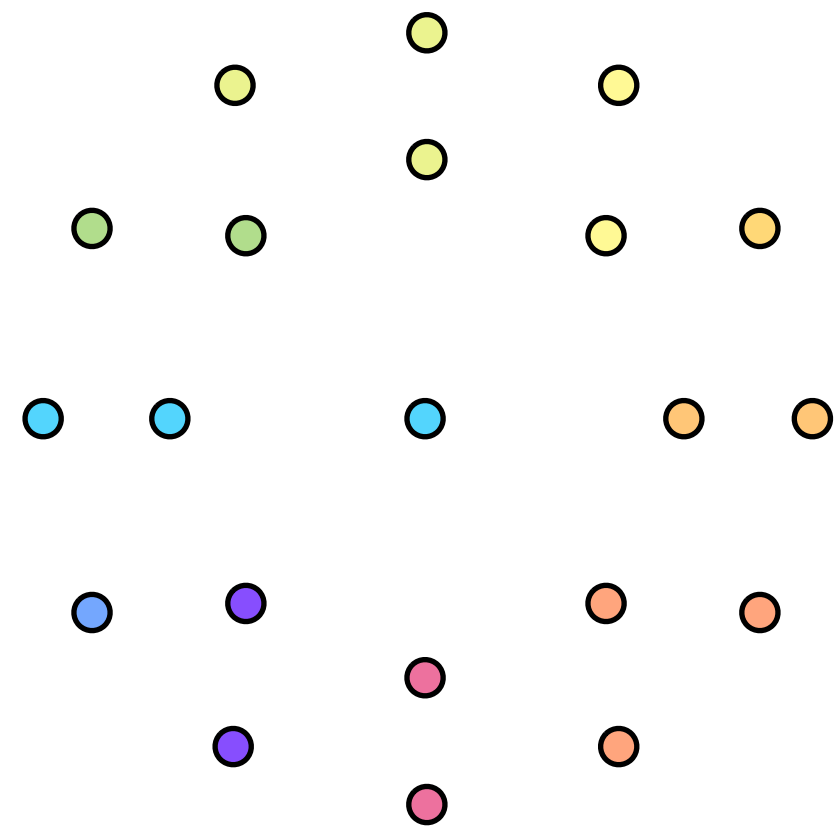


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Parameter Space:



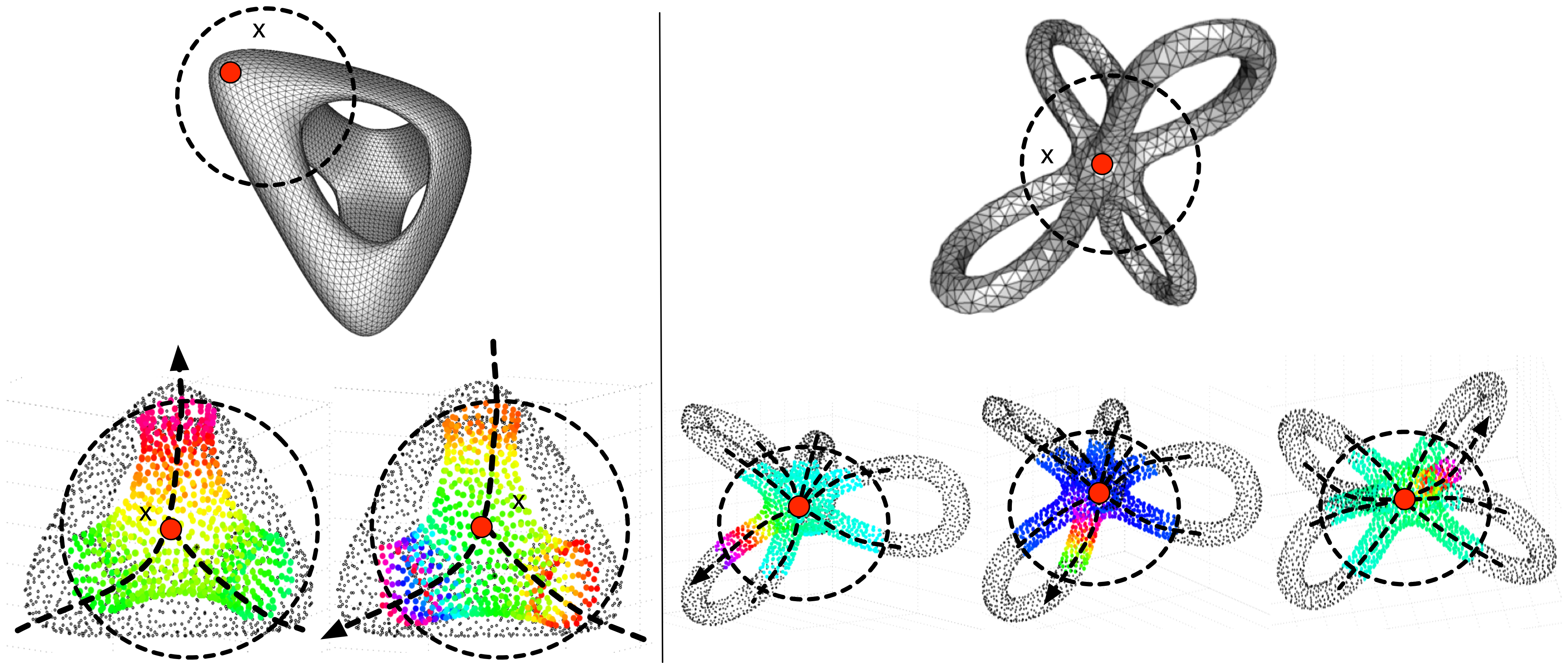
# PH and parametrization



Born:  $\varepsilon_1$  Died:  $\varepsilon_2$   
Persistence:  $\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1$

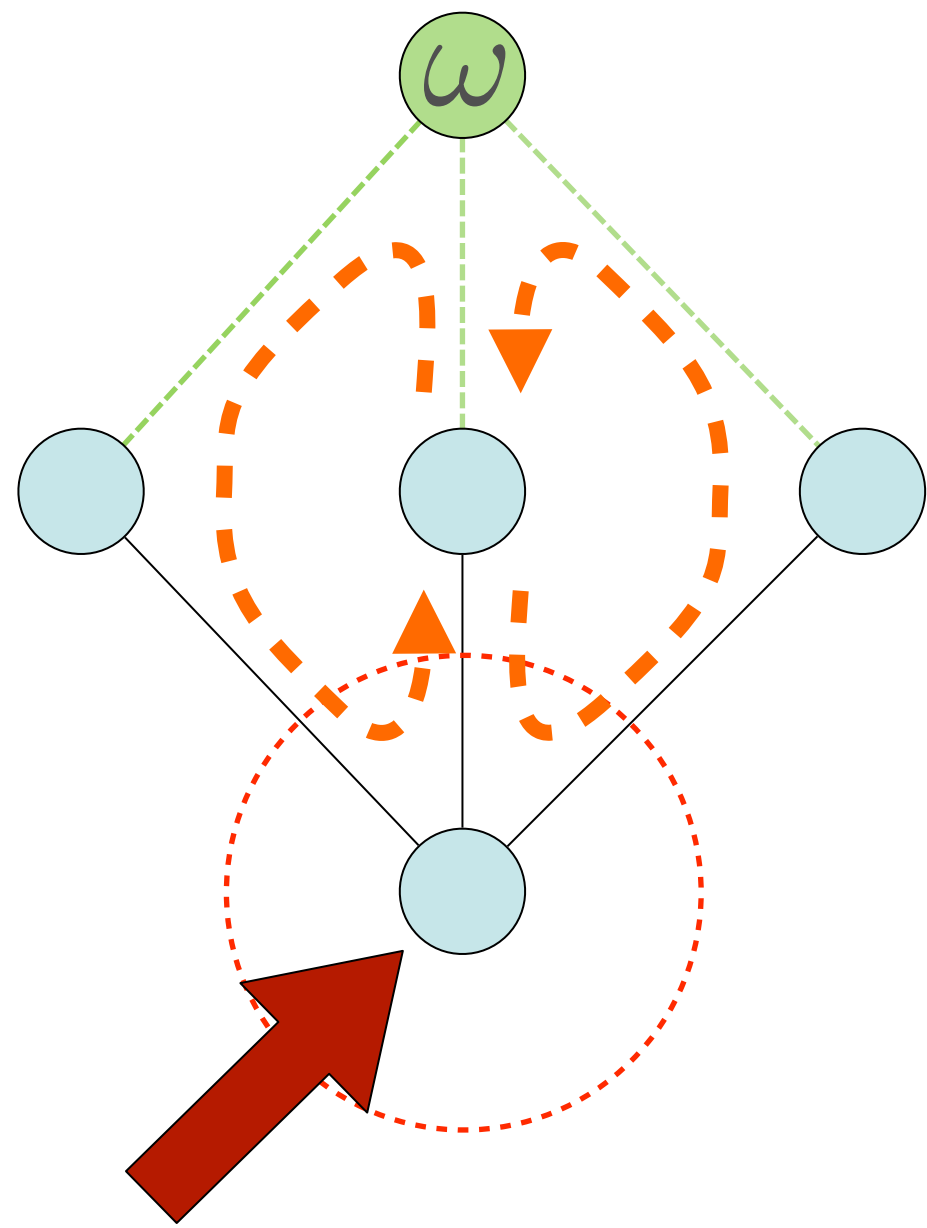
$$Rips(X, \varepsilon_0) \subseteq Rips(X, \varepsilon_1) \subseteq Rips(X, \varepsilon_2)$$

# Inferring branching structure





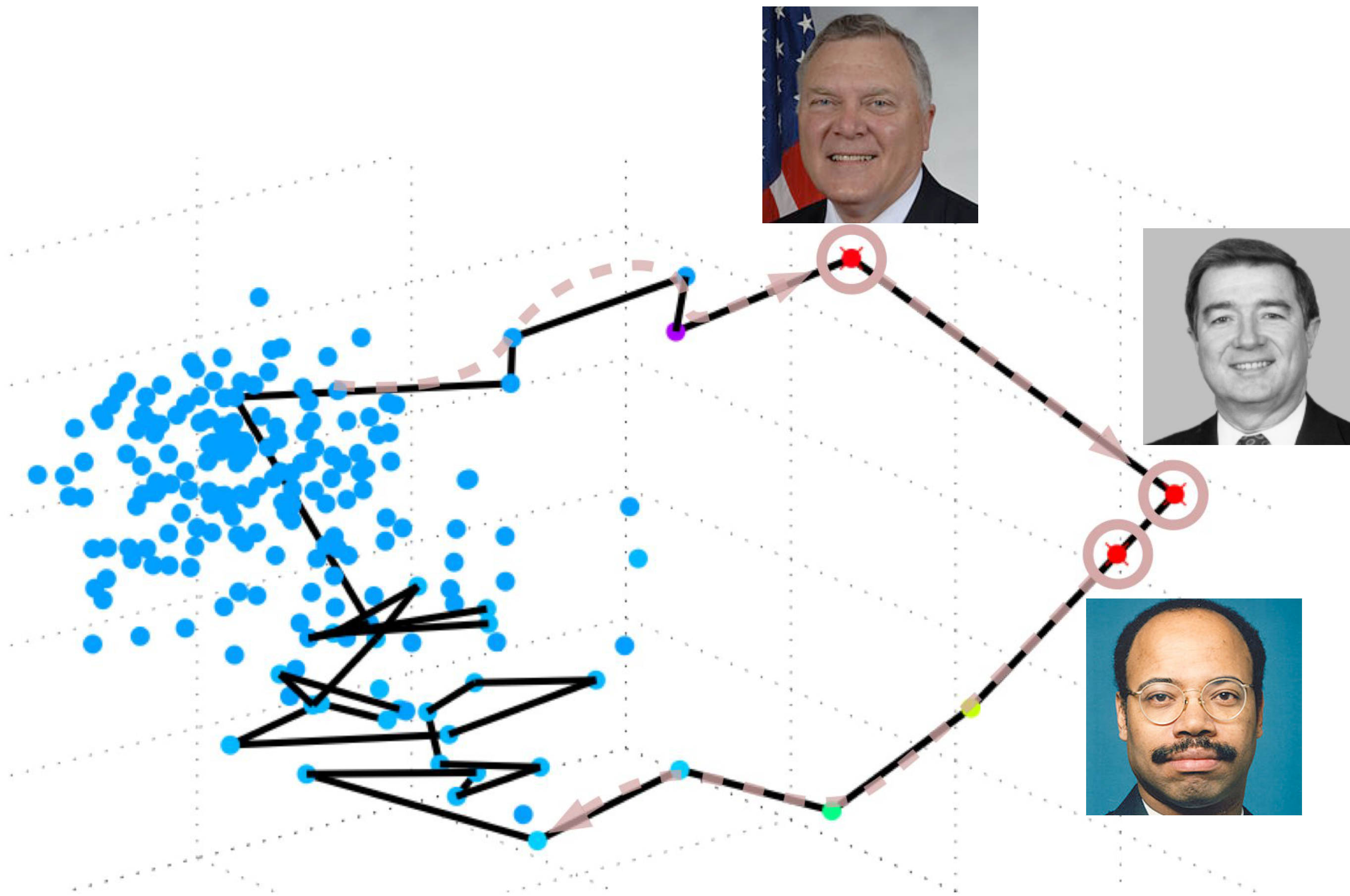
# Branching and parametrization



Given a neighborhood around a point, attach simplicies which cross the neighborhood threshold to a dummy vertex  $\omega$ .

In this way, we turn local branching features into circular structures.

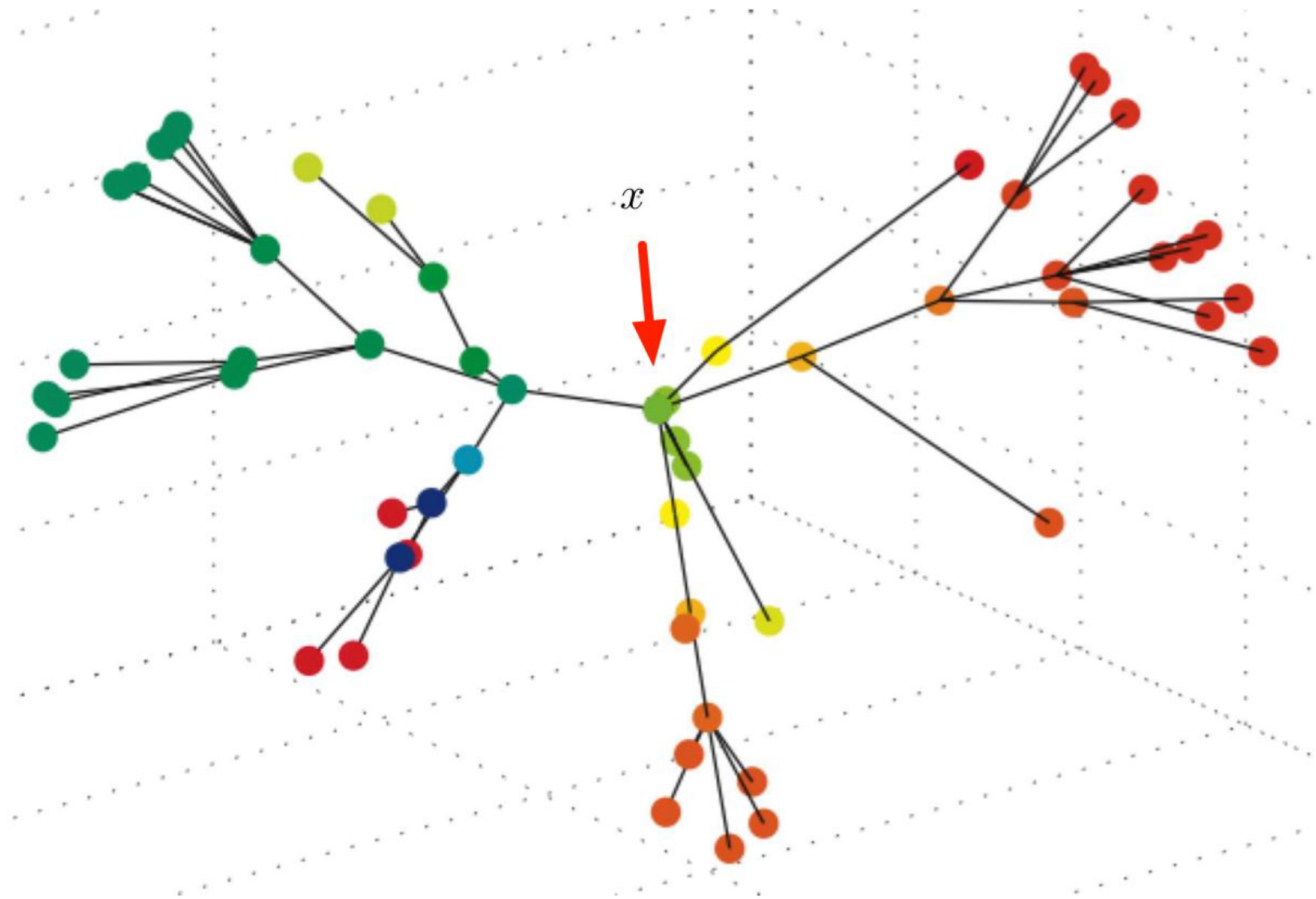
# Voting Data



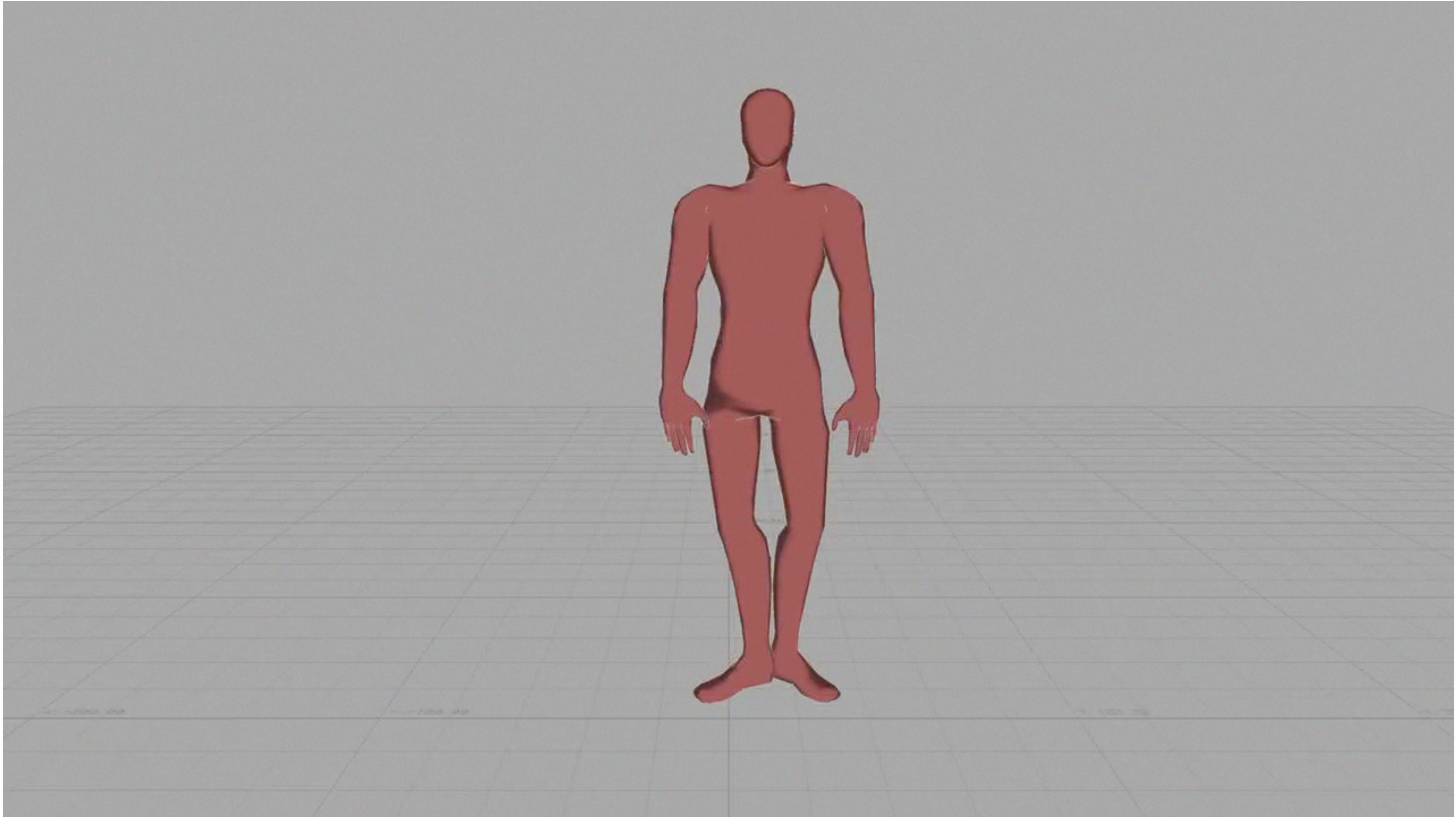
1995 House of Representatives Voting Record  
885 votes (dimension)  
205 Democratic congresspeople (points)  
Record: (Yea/Nay/Absent)  
94.27 seconds to compute  
(92.15 Rips, 1.76 Persistence)

Outliers: switched party or resigned

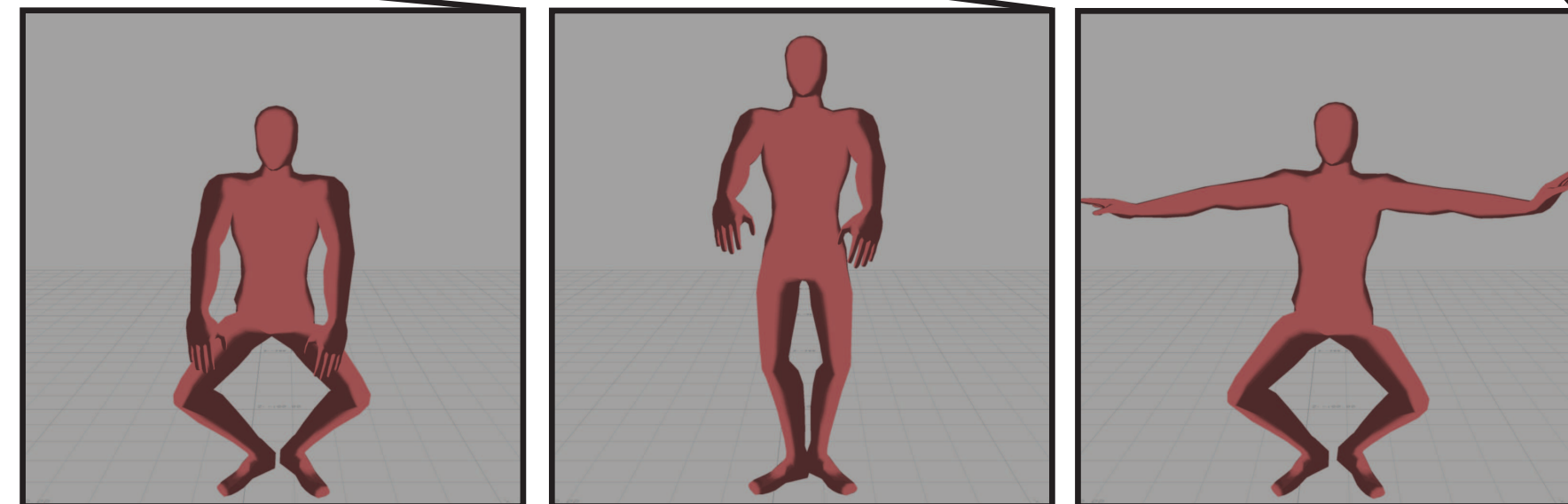
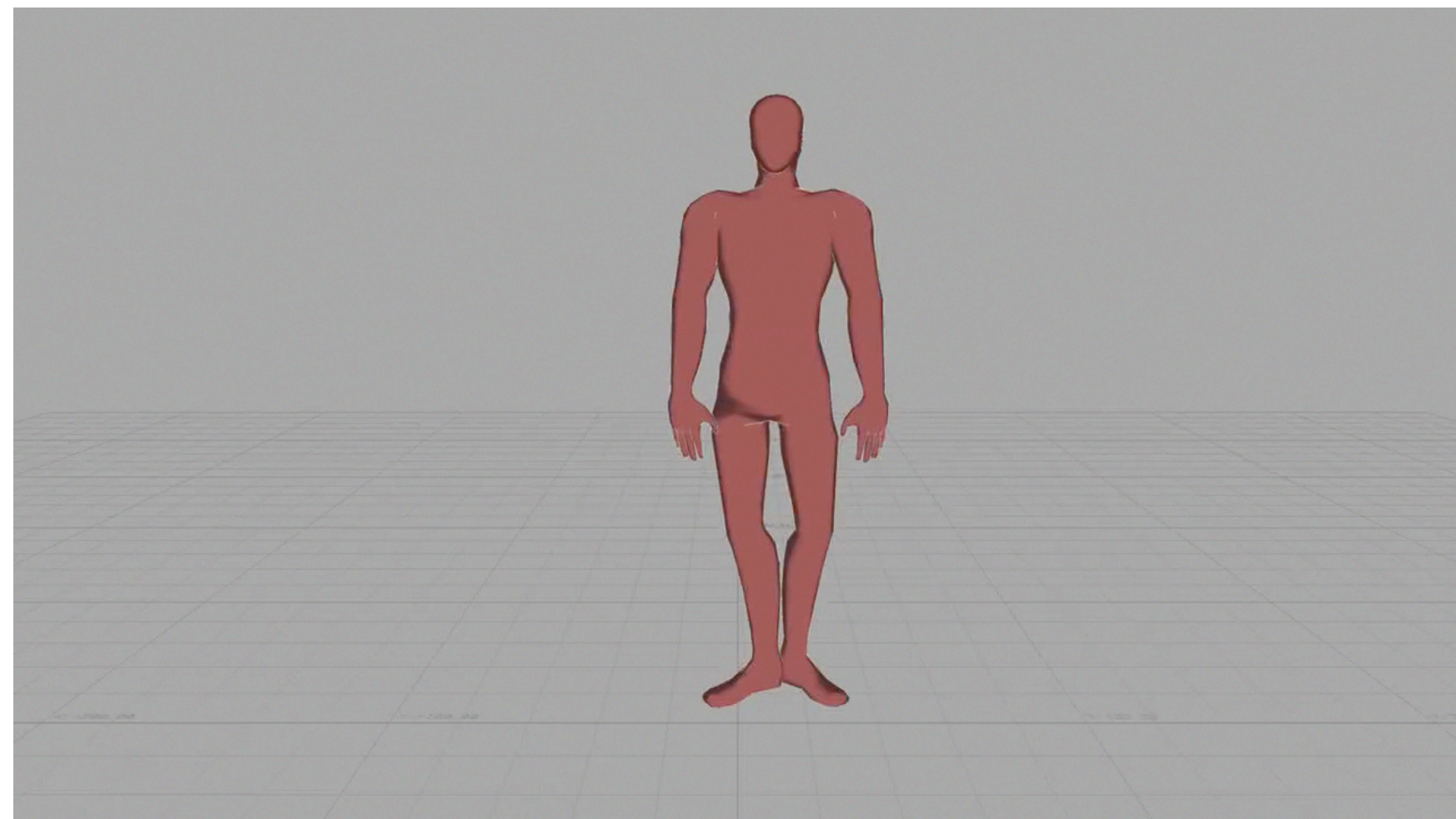
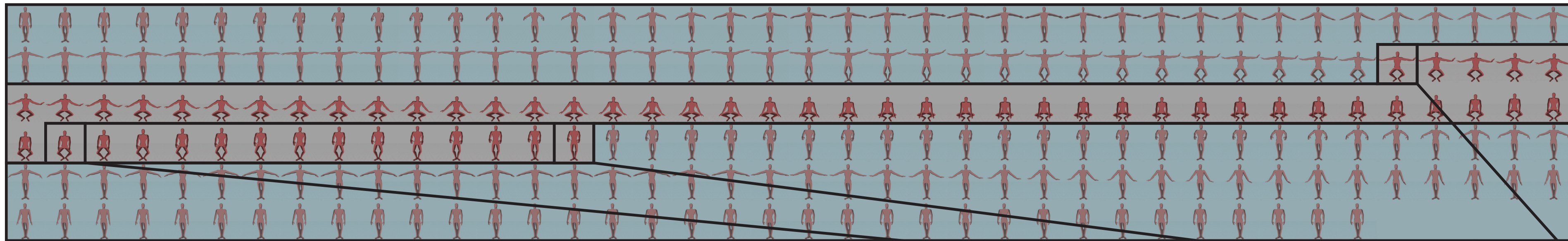
# Virus Data



1045 nucleotides (dimensions)  
58 mutated genetic sequences  
(points)  
0.09 seconds to compute  
(0.05 Rips, 0.02 Persistence)

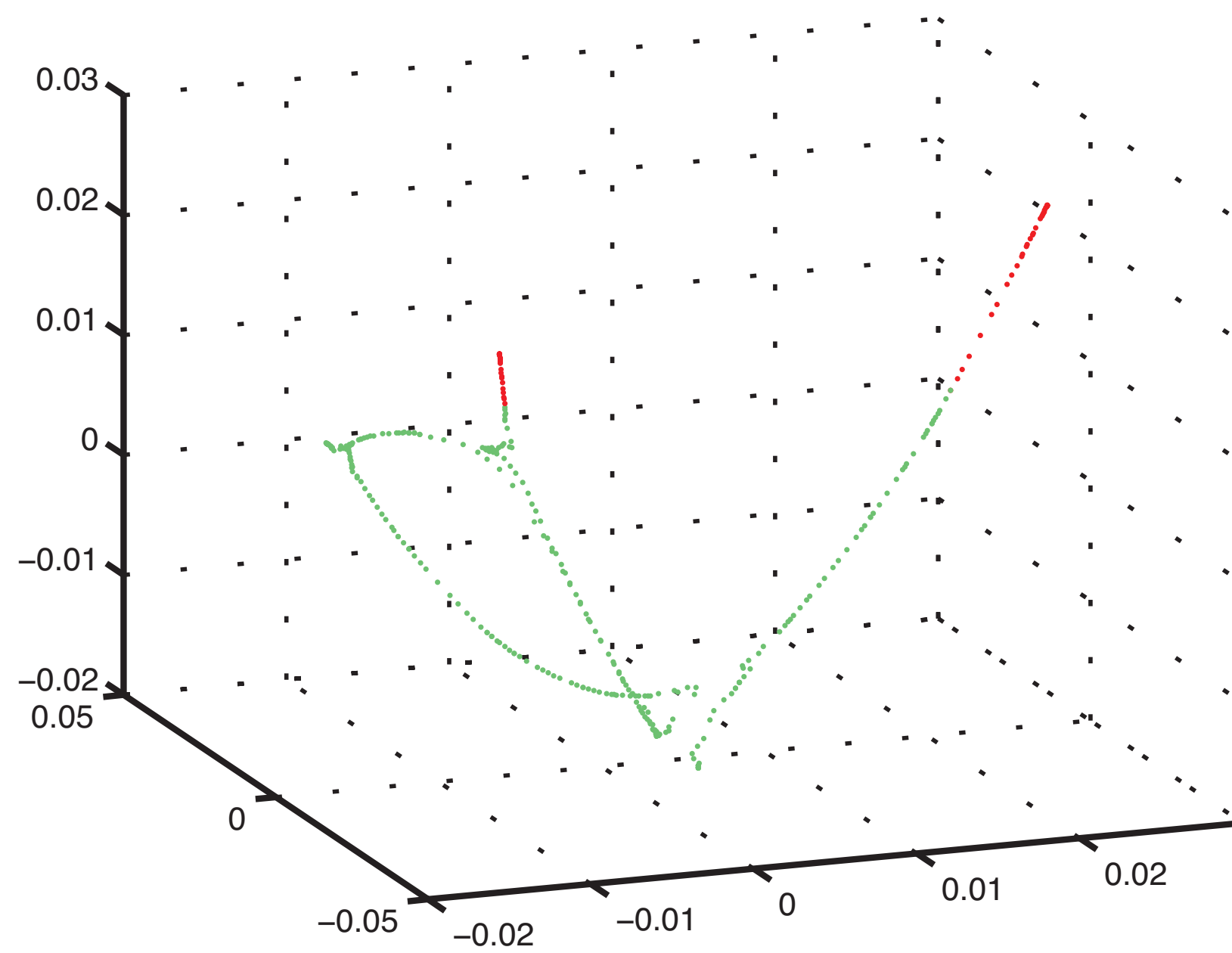


# Motion Capture: Ballet

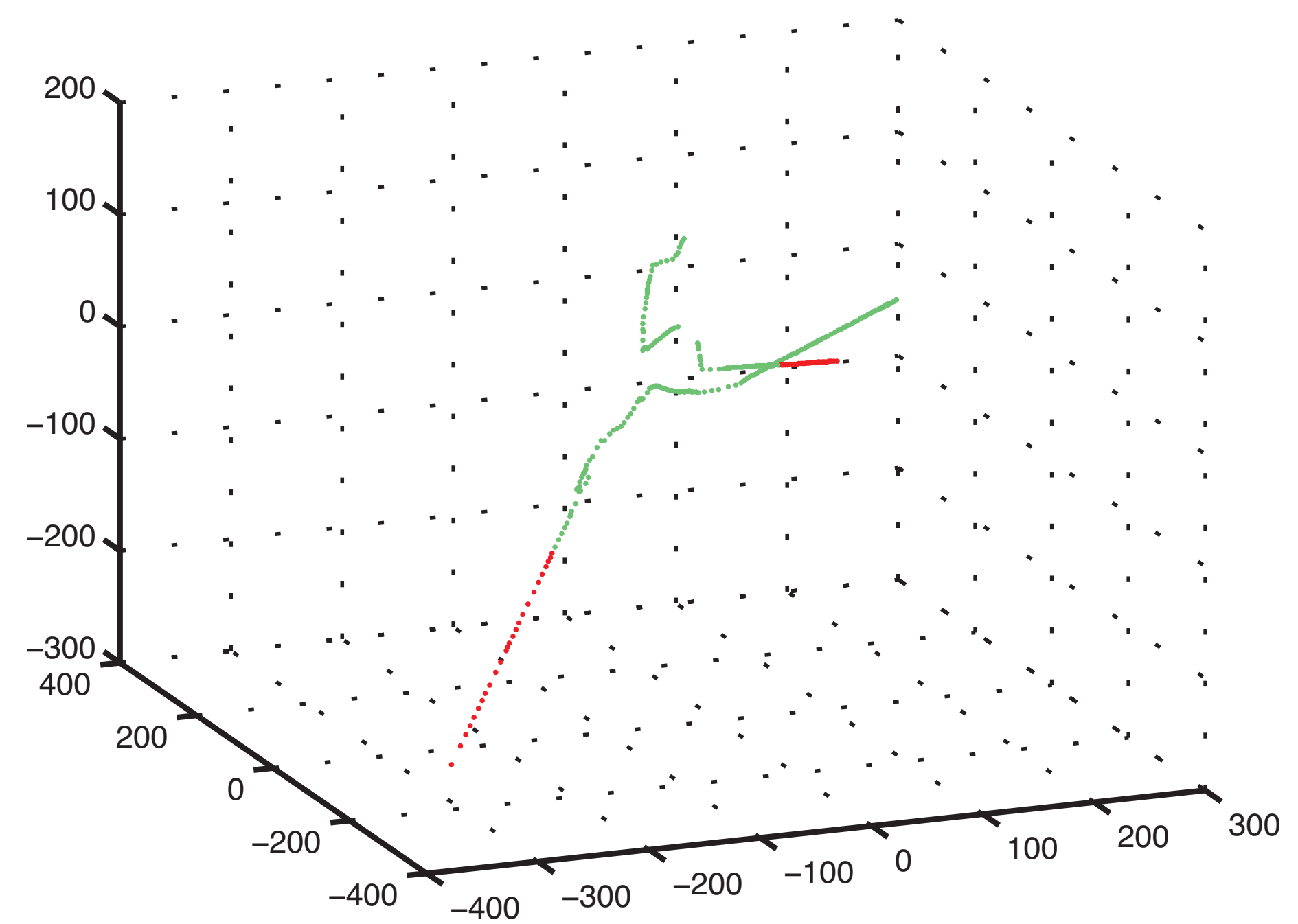


54 joint angles (dimensions)  
471 frames (points)  
417.38 seconds to compute  
(363.67 Rips, 30.47 Persistence)

# Motion Capture: Ballet

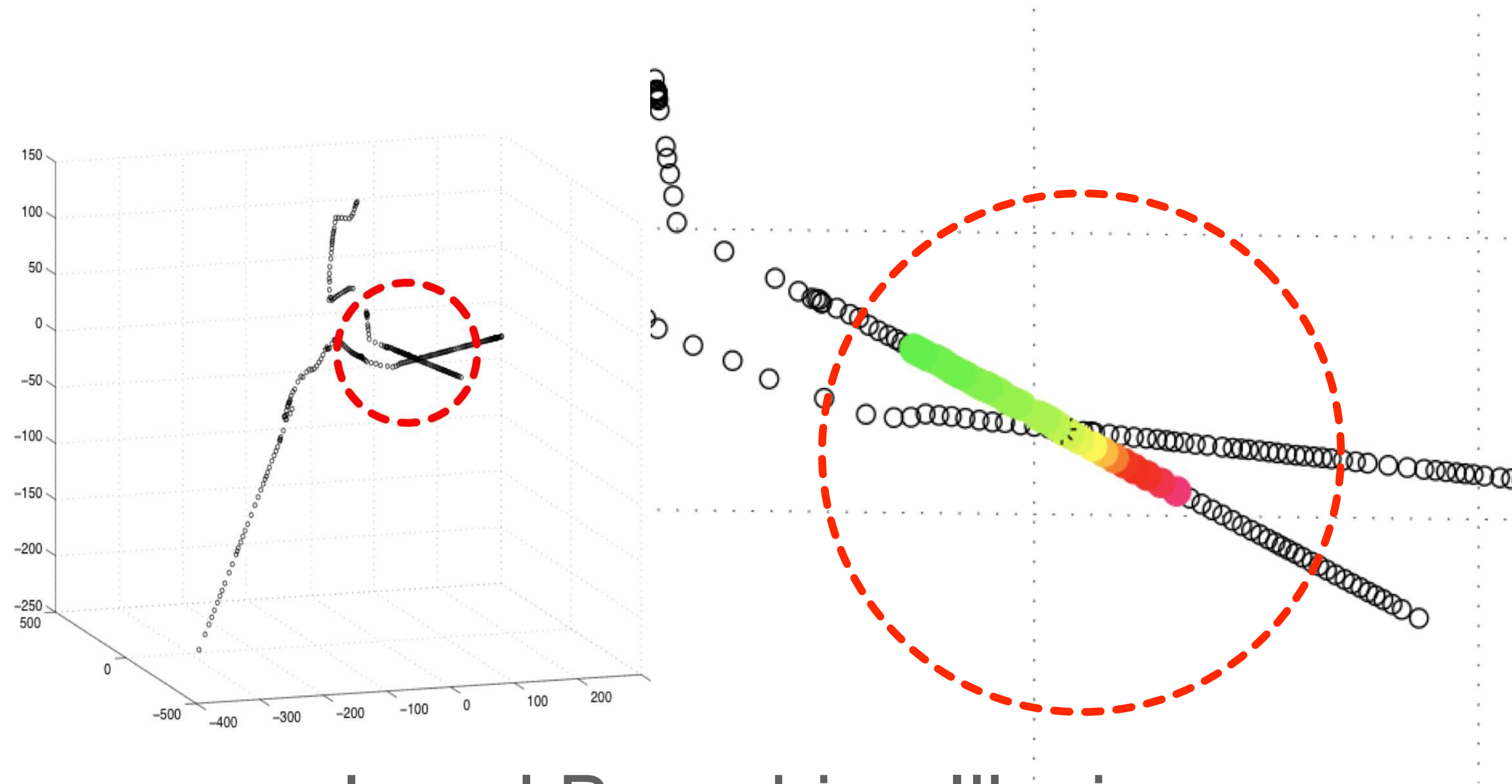


Laplacian Eigenmaps



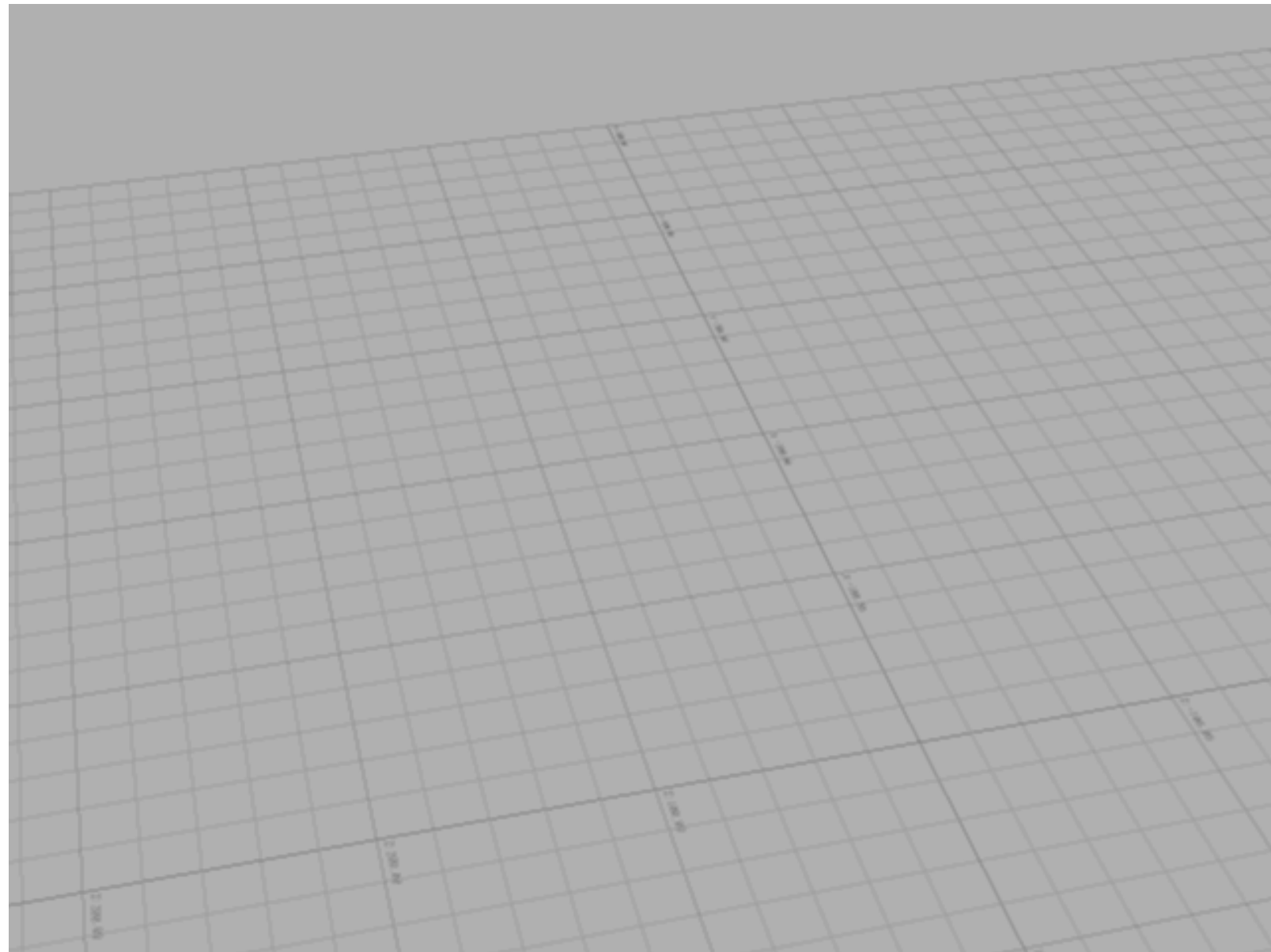
3D Isomap

# Motion Capture: Ballet

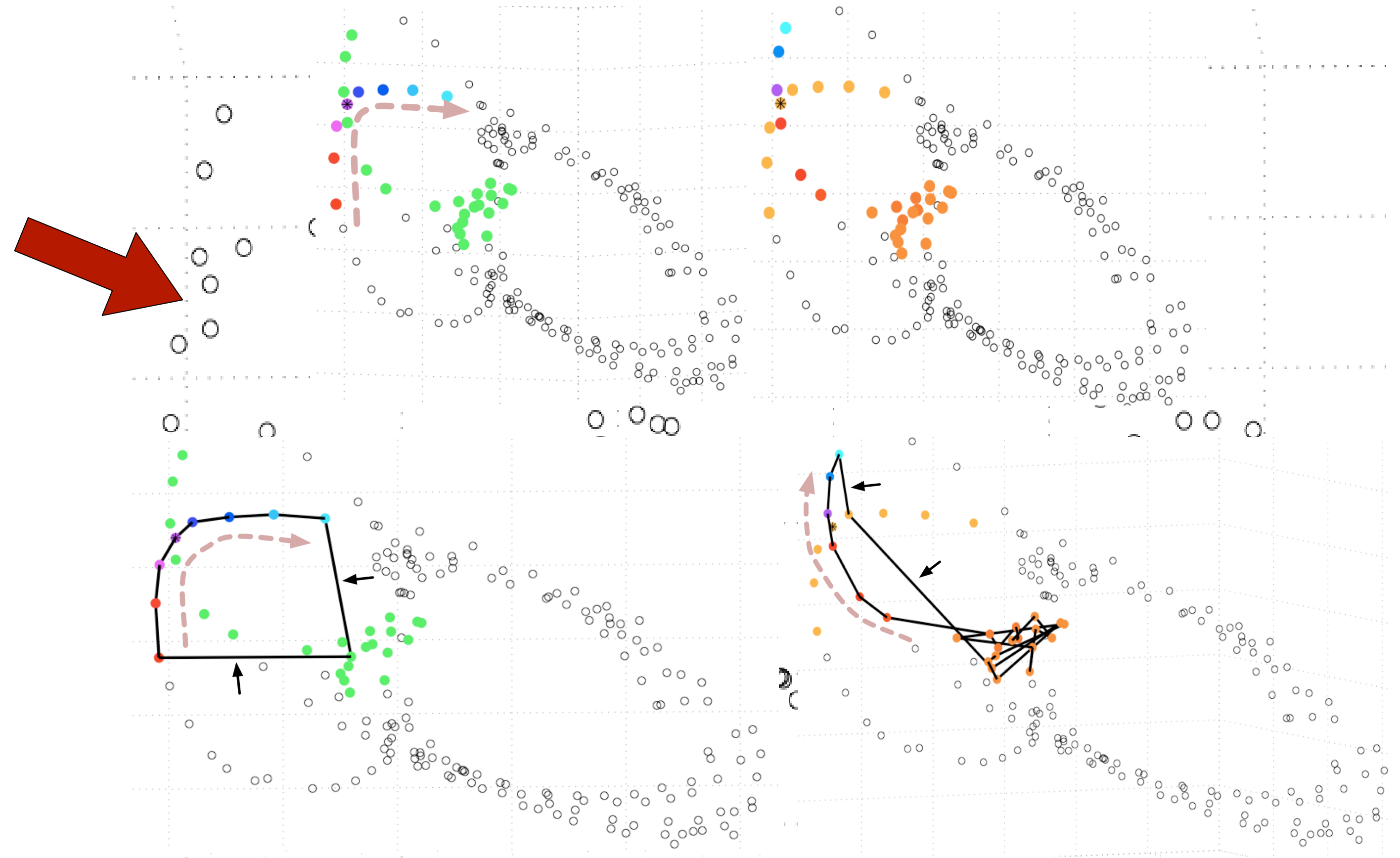


Local Branching Illusion

# Motion Capture - Walk/Hop/Walk



66 joint angles (dimensions)  
189 frames (points)  
0.08 seconds to compute  
(0.08 Rips)







# Thanks!

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