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Proposition

 \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} be two covers of X with a cover map $\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\theta} \mathcal{V}$. Then, $\phi_{\mathcal{V}} = \hat{\tau} \circ \phi_{\mathcal{U}}$ where $\tau : \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ is induced by θ .

Corollary

The maps $\phi_{\mathcal{U}*} : H_k(X) \to H_k(|N(\mathcal{U})|), \phi_{\mathcal{V}*} : H_k(X) \to H_k(|N(\mathcal{V})|),$ and $\hat{\tau}_* : H_k(|N(\mathcal{U})|) \to H_k(|N(\mathcal{V})|)$ commute, that is, $\phi_{\mathcal{V}*} = \hat{\tau}_* \circ \phi_{\mathcal{U}*}.$

Theorem (Nerve-Nerve)

Let $\tau : N(\mathcal{U}) \to N(\mathcal{V})$ be induced by a cover map $\mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{V}$. Then, $\tau_* : H_1(N(\mathcal{U})) \to H_1(N(\mathcal{V}))$ is a surjection.

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Theorem (Persistent H_1 -classes)

Let z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_g be a minimal generator basis of $H_1(X)$ ordered with increasing sizes.

- i. Let $\ell \in [1, g]$ be the smallest integer so that $s(z_{\ell}) > \lambda(\mathcal{U})$. If $\ell \neq 1$, the class $\bar{\phi}_{\mathcal{U}*}[z_j] = 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, \ell 1$. Moreover, the classes $\{\bar{\phi}_{\mathcal{U}*}[z_j]\}_{j=\ell,\dots,g}$ generate $H_1(N(\mathcal{U}))$.
- ii. The classes $\{\bar{\phi}_{\mathcal{U}*}[z_j]\}_{j=\ell',\dots,g}$ are linearly independent where $s(z_{\ell'}) > 4s_{max}(\mathcal{U})$.

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Reeb graph/space

- $H_1(X) = H_1^v \oplus H_1^h$
- $c \in H_1^h$ iff c = [z] where $z \in f^{-1}(a)$

• Reeb graphs capture only vertical homology classes [D.-Wang 14]



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Surviving H_1 -classes in Reeb space

Theorem (Persistent H_1 -classes)

Let $z_1, z_2, ..., z_g$ be a minimal generator basis of $H_1(X)$ ordered with increasing sizes (defined by d_f); $q : X \to R_f$ quotient map.

 Let l ∈ [1, g] be the smallest s.t. s(z_l) ≠ 0. If no l exists, H₁(R_f) is trivial, otherwise {[q(z_i)]}_{i=l...g} is a basis of H₁(R_f).

Implication: Just like in Reeb graphs, only vertical homology classes survive in Reeb spaces (extension of a result of [D.-Wang 14])

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Definition (Mapper)

[Singh-Carlsson-Mémoli] Let $f : X \to Z$ be continuous and $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$ be a finite open covering of Z. The Mapper is

 $\mathrm{M}(\mathcal{U},f):=N(f^*(\mathcal{U}))$

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Multiscale Mapper:

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Persistence diagram of MM

• $D_kMM(\mathfrak{U}, f)$ = persistence diagram of:

 $\mathrm{H}_{k}\big(N(f^{*}(\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{1}}))\big) \to \mathrm{H}_{k}\big(N(f^{*}(\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{2}}))\big) \to \cdots \to \mathrm{H}_{k}\big(N(f^{*}(\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{n}}))\big)$



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Implication for multiscale mapper

Theorem

Consider the following multiscale mapper:

$$N(f^*\mathcal{U}_0) \to N(f^*\mathcal{U}_1) \to \cdots \to N(f^*\mathcal{U}_n)$$

- surjection from $H_1(X)$ to $H_1(N(f^*U_i))$ for each $i \in [0, n]$.
- For H₁-persistence module:

$$\mathrm{H}_1(N(f^*\mathcal{U}_0)) \to \mathrm{H}_1(N(f^*\mathcal{U}_1)) \to \cdots \to \mathrm{H}_1(N(f^*\mathcal{U}_n))$$

all connecting maps are surjections.

Persistent H_1 -classes in MM

Theorem

Consider a H_1 -persistence module of a multiscale mapper induced by a tower of path connected covers:

$$\mathrm{H}_{1}(N(f^{*}\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{0}})) \xrightarrow{s_{1*}} \mathrm{H}_{1}(N(f^{*}\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{1}})) \xrightarrow{s_{2*}} \cdots \xrightarrow{s_{n*}} \mathrm{H}_{1}(N(f^{*}\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_{n}}))$$

Let $\hat{s}_{i*} = s_{i*} \circ s_{(i-1)*} \circ \cdots \circ \bar{\phi}_{\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_0}*}$. Then, \hat{s}_{i*} renders the small classes of $H_1(X)$ trivial in $H_1(N(f^*\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_i}))$ as detailed in previous theorem.

Open Question



Conjecture: If *t*-wise intersections in \mathcal{U} for all t > 0 have $\tilde{H}_{\leq k-t} = 0$, then $\phi_{\mathcal{U}*}$ is surjective for H_k

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