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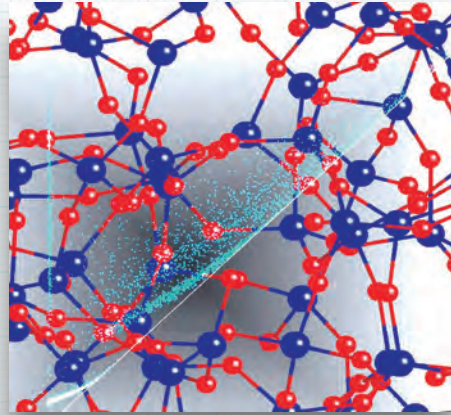
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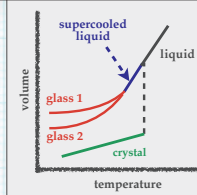
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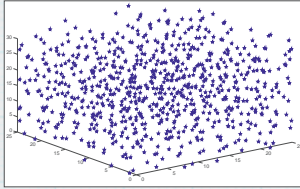
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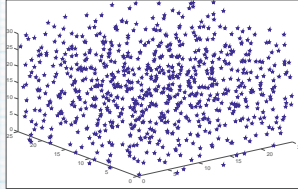
# Liquid, Glass or Crystal?



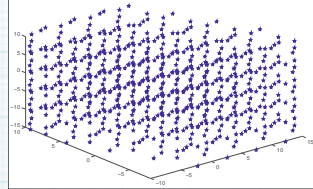
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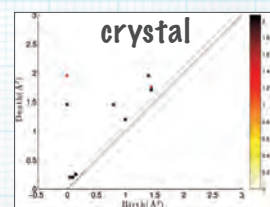
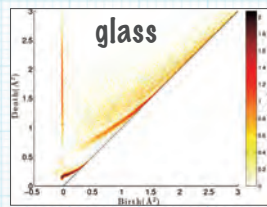
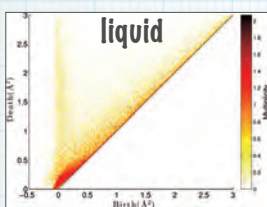


crystal



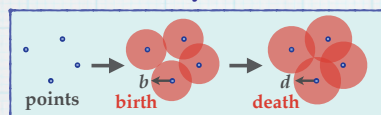
- Atomic configurations of crystal, glass, and liquid states of SiO<sub>2</sub>
- Geometric properties of glass are not well-understood
- Industrially important (solar energy panel, DVD, BD, etc)
- Can we distinguish between crystal and glass?

# Persistence Diagram (PD)

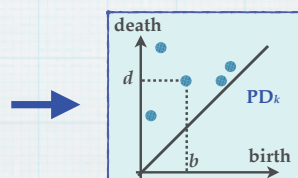


- 1st Persistence Diagrams (PDs) distinguish three states (info. of **persistent ring**)
- Inverse problem from PDs to atomic configurations clarifies new geometric characterizations of glass
- **What are the topological properties in liquid (random) state?**

## Brief Sketch of PDs for points data



blow up balls and detect appearance and disappearance of topological features



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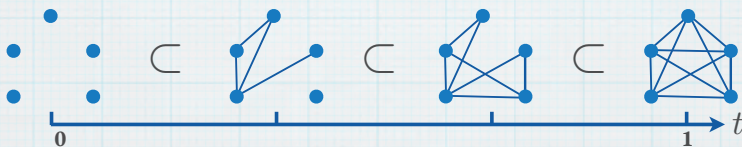
## 2. From Random Graph to Random Topology

### Erdős-Rényi Random Graph

- $K_n = V_n \sqcup E_n$  : complete graph with  $n$  vertices  
 $V_n = \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $E_n = \{|ij| : i < j\}$
- $t_e \in [0, 1]$  : i.i.d. uniform random variable for  $e \in E_n$

#### Erdős-Rényi Random Graph (Process)

$$K_n(t) = V_n \sqcup \{e \in E_n : t_e \leq t\}$$



## Erdős-Rényi Random Graph

**Thm(Erdős-Rényi):** For  $t = (\log n + \omega(n))/n$ ,  
 $\omega(n) \rightarrow \infty \implies K_n(t)$  is a.s. connected as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
 $\omega(n) \rightarrow -\infty \implies K_n(t)$  is a.s. disconnected as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

- rewriting by reduced homology

$$\omega(n) \rightarrow \infty \implies \tilde{H}_0(K_n(t)) = 0$$

$$\omega(n) \rightarrow -\infty \implies \tilde{H}_0(K_n(t)) \neq 0$$

Random Graph  $\mathcal{G}$   $\longrightarrow$   $H_0(\mathcal{G}), H_1(\mathcal{G})$  (connectivity, cycle)

In this talk, we study

Random Simplicial Complex  $X$   $\longrightarrow$   $H_k(X)$  (higher topological features)

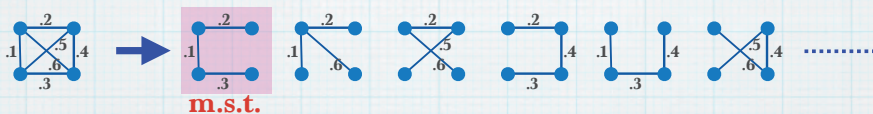
## Frieze's zeta(3)-Limit Theorem

- $K_n(t)$ : ER random graph
- $K_n = K_n(1)$ : complete graph
- $T \subset K_n$  is a **spanning tree** if  $T$  is a tree containing all vertices
- $\mathcal{S}^{(1)}$ : the set of spanning trees in  $K_n$



Cayley's formula:  $|\mathcal{S}^{(1)}| = n^{n-2}$

- $T \in \mathcal{S}^{(1)}$  is the **minimum spanning tree** if the weight  $\text{wt}(T) = \sum_{e \in T} t_e$  is minimum in  $\mathcal{S}^{(1)}$

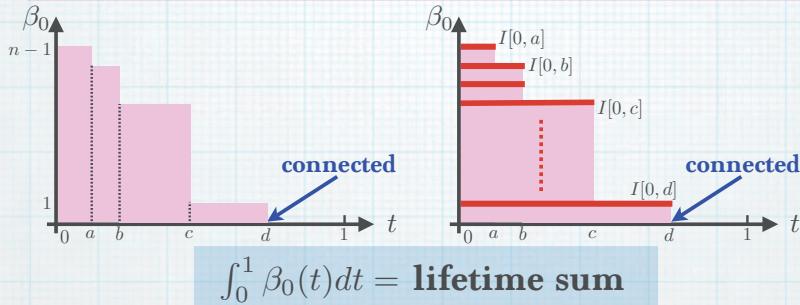


**Frieze's zeta(3)-limit thm:**

$$\mathbb{E}[\min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(1)}} \text{wt}(T)] \rightarrow \zeta(3) = 1.202 \dots \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

## Persistence and Frieze's Thm

**Key observation:**  $\min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(1)}} \text{wt}(T) = \int_0^1 \beta_0(t) dt$  ★



### Generalization of Frieze's Thm

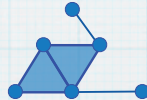
- random graph → random simplicial complex
- spanning tree → spanning cycle
- ★ → identity using persistent homology

## Simplicial Complex

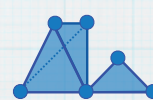
- **Simplicial Complex  $X$  on the vertices  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ :**
  - a collection of nonempty subsets
  - $\{i\} \in X, \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
  - $\sigma \in X, \tau \subset \sigma \implies \tau \in X$
- $\sigma = \{i_0, \dots, i_k\}$  :  **$k$ -simplex**,  $\dim \sigma = k$
- $\dim X = \max_{\sigma \in X} \dim \sigma$
- $X_k = \{\sigma \in X : \dim \sigma = k\}$ ,  $X^{(k)} = \sqcup_{i=0}^k X_i$  ←  **$k$ -dim skeleton**
- **graph = 1 dim simplicial complex**



dim = 1



dim = 2



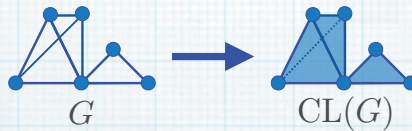
dim = 3

# Random Simplicial Complex 1

- **Random Clique Complex**  $CL(G)$

$CL(G)$  : clique of a graph  $G$

$$CL(G) \ni \{i_1, \dots, i_k\} \iff \{i_s i_t\} \in G, \forall s, t \in \{1, \dots, k\}$$



Take ER random graph  $G = K_n(t)$ , then

**Kahle (2009):** For random clique complex  $CL(K_n(t))$ ,

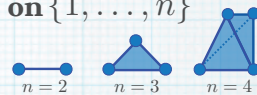
$$t = \left( \frac{(2k+1) \log n + \omega(n)}{n} \right)^{1/(2k+1)} \implies H_i(CL(K_n(t))) = 0$$

$$\omega(n) \rightarrow \infty \qquad i = 0, \dots, k$$

$k = 0$  recovers one-side of the ER theorem

# Random Simplicial Complex 2

- $\Delta_{n-1}$  :  $(n - 1)$ -dim maximal simpl cplex on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$



- $t_\sigma \in [0, 1]$  : i.i.d. uniform random variable for  $\sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d$

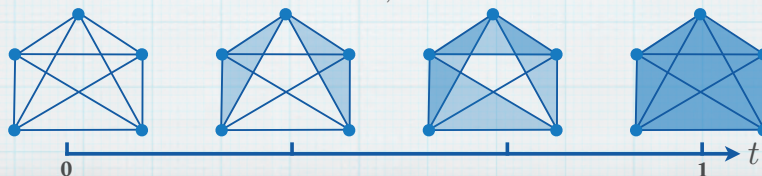
## Linial-Meshulam Process

$$\mathcal{K}^{(d)}(t) = \Delta_{n-1}^{(d-1)} \sqcup \{\sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d : t_\sigma \leq t\}$$

- $d = 1$  gives ER random graph

higher dim generalization of ER graph process

$d = 2, n = 5$



## Spanning Acycle

we use

- integer coefficient
- reduced homology

- $X$  : simplicial complex
- For a set of  $k$ -splexs  $S \subset X_k$ , define  $X_S = S \sqcup X^{(k-1)}$

$S$  is called a  **$k$ -spanning acycle** if

$$(a) H_k(X_S) = 0 \quad (b) |H_{k-1}(X_S)| < \infty$$

$\mathcal{S}^{(k)}$  : the set of  $k$ -spanning acycles

- For  $k = 1$ , the graph  $X_S$  has (a) no cycles and is (b) connected, meaning a spanning tree.
- This definition is originally introduced by Kalai. (also relating to simplicial spanning tree,  $k$ -bases, etc)
- Set  $\gamma_k(X) = |X^{(k)}| - \beta_k(X^{(k)}) + \beta_{k-1}(X^{(k)})$

Any two of (a), (b), and (c)  $|S| = \gamma_k(X)$  imply the third.

## Minimum Spanning Acycle

- $\{X(t)\}_t$  : random filtration of simpl. cplx.  
(e.g., clique ER process, LM process)
- $t_\sigma$  : birth time of the simplex, i.e.,  
$$t_\sigma = \min\{t : \sigma \in X(t)\}$$
- $S \in \mathcal{S}^{(k)}$  is a **minimum spanning acycle**  
if the weight  $\text{wt}(S) = \sum_{\sigma \in S} t_\sigma$  is minimum in  $\mathcal{S}^{(k)}$



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## 3. Persistent Homology

# (Persistent) Homology 1

## Quick review of simplicial homology

- $X$  : simplicial complex
- chain complex in  $\mathbb{Z}$ -coefficient

$$\cdots \longrightarrow C_{k+1}(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_{k+1}} C_k(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_k} C_{k-1}(X) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

$$\partial_k \langle v_0 \cdots v_k \rangle = \sum_i (-1)^i \langle v_0 \cdots \widehat{v}_i \cdots v_k \rangle : \text{boundary map}$$

$(\partial_k \circ \partial_{k+1} = 0)$

- $Z_k(X) = \ker \partial_k$  : **k-cycle**,  $B_k(X) = \text{im} \partial_{k+1}$  : **k-boundary**
- $H_k(X) = Z_k(X) / B_k(X) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{\beta_k} \oplus T_k$  ( $\mathbb{Z}$ -module)

## Homology to Persistent Homology

Replace  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module with graded  $K[\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}]$ -module using filtration

## Persistent Homology 2

- $\mathcal{X} = \{X(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\}$ : **(right cont.) filtration of a simpl. cplex**  $X$   
 $(X(t) \subset X(s) \subset X, t \leq s, \quad X(t) = \bigcap_{t < s} X(s))$

**Assume there exists a saturation time  $T$  s.t.  $X(T) = X$**

- $t_\sigma$ : **birth time of the simplex  $\sigma$ , i.e.,  $t_\sigma = \min\{t : \sigma \in X(t)\}$**
- $K$ : **field with  $\text{char}(K) = 0$**

$K[\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}]$ : **monoid ring, i.e., the set of formal polynomials with**

$$az^t \cdot bz^s = abz^{t+s}, \quad a, b \in K, \quad t, s \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

- $C_k(X(t))$ :  **$K$ -vector space spanned by  $k$ -simplices in  $X(t)$**
- **graded  $K[\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}]$ -module**

$$C_k(\mathcal{X}) = \bigoplus_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}} C_k(X(t)) = \{(c_t) : c_t \in C_k(X(t)), t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\}$$

$$z^s \cdot (c_t) = (c'_t), \quad c'_t = \begin{cases} c_{t-s}, & t \geq s \\ 0, & t < s \end{cases}$$

## Persistent Homology 3

- **For oriented simplex  $\langle \sigma \rangle$ , define  $\langle\langle \sigma \rangle\rangle = (c_t)$ ,  $c_t = \begin{cases} \langle \sigma \rangle, & t = t_\sigma \\ 0, & t \neq t_\sigma \end{cases}$**

**→  $\Xi_k = \{\langle\langle \sigma \rangle\rangle : \sigma \in X_k\}$  forms a basis of  $C_k(\mathcal{X})$**

- **boundary map:**  $\delta_k \langle\langle \sigma \rangle\rangle = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j z^{t_\sigma - t_{\sigma_j}} \langle\langle \sigma_j \rangle\rangle$   
 $\langle \sigma \rangle = \langle v_0 \cdots v_k \rangle, \quad \sigma_j = \sigma \setminus \{v_j\}$

$$B_k(\mathcal{X}) = \text{im} \delta_{k+1} \subset Z_k(\mathcal{X}) = \ker \delta_k$$

- **persistent homology:**  $H_k(\mathcal{X}) = Z_k(\mathcal{X}) / B_k(\mathcal{X})$  (**graded  $K[\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}]$ -module**)
- **structure thm of PID module (with saturation) implies**

$$H_k(\mathcal{X}) \simeq \bigoplus_{i=1}^p I[b_i, d_i]$$

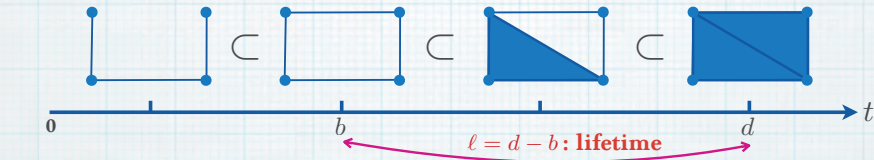
$I[b_i, d_i] = (z^{b_i}) / (z^{d_i})$ : **interval representation**

$(z^a) = \{z^a f(z) : f(z) \in K[\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}]\}$ : **ideal generated by  $z^a$**

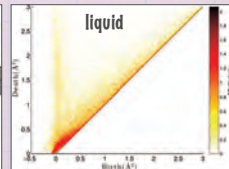
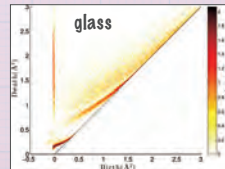
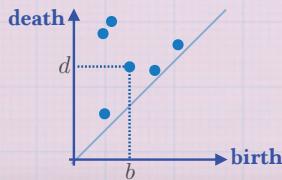
# Persistence Diagram 1

Interval decomp:  $H_k(\mathcal{X}) \simeq \bigoplus_{i=1}^p I[b_i, d_i]$

- $I[b, d]$  represents appearance and disappearance of a topological feature at  $t = b, d$  in  $\mathcal{X} = \{X(t)\}_t$



- $D_k(\mathcal{X}) = \{(b_i, d_i) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^2 : i = 1, \dots, p\}$  : persistence diagram



# Persistence Diagram 2

- persistence diagram (multiset):

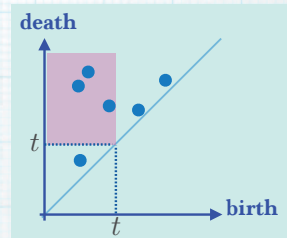
$$D_k(\mathcal{X}) = \{(b_i, d_i) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^2 : i = 1, \dots, p\}$$

- persistence diagram (counting measure):

$$\xi_k = \sum_{0 \leq x < y < \infty} m_{(x,y)} \delta_{(x,y)}$$

where  $\delta_{(x,y)}$  is the delta measure and

$$m_{(x,y)} = |\{1 \leq i \leq p \mid (b_i, d_i) = (x, y)\}|$$

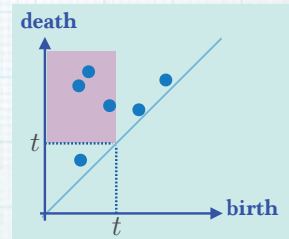


- $\beta_k(t) = \beta_k(X(t)) = \xi_k([0, t] \times [t, \infty))$

## Persistence Diagram 2

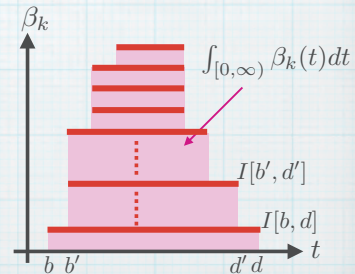
- Let  $L_k = \sum_i (d_i - b_i)$  be the lifetime sum

$$\longrightarrow L_k = \int_{[0, \infty)} \beta_k(t) dt$$



pf) By Fubini,

$$\begin{aligned} L_k &= \int_{\Delta} (y - x) \xi_k(dx dy) \\ &= \int_{\Delta} \xi_k(dx dy) \int_{[0, \infty)} I(0 \leq x \leq t \leq y \leq \infty) dt \\ &= \int_{[0, \infty)} dt \int_{\Delta} I_{[0, t]}(x) I_{[t, \infty)}(y) \xi_k(dx dy) \\ &= \int_{[0, \infty)} \beta_k(t) dt. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$



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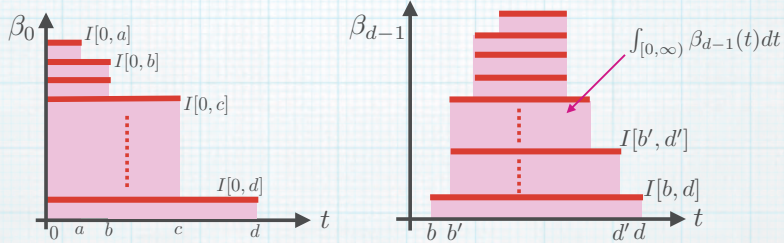
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# Algebraic Formula of $L_{d-1}$

key observation of ER graph process:

$$L_0 = \min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(1)}} \text{wt}(T) = \int_0^\infty \beta_0(t) dt \quad \star$$



**Theorem:** Let  $X$  be a simpl. cplx ( $1 \leq d \leq \dim X$ ) with

$$\beta_{d-1}(X^{(d)}) = \beta_{d-2}(X^{(d-1)}) = 0$$

and  $\mathcal{X} = \{X(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\}$  be a filtration of  $X$ . Then,

$$L_{d-1} = \min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} \text{wt}(T) - \max_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d-1)}} \text{wt}(X_{d-1} \setminus S) = \int_0^\infty \beta_{d-1}(t) dt$$

**Remark: d=1 recovers**  $\star$

4. Generalization of Frieze's zeta(3)-Limit Theorem

# Sketch of Proof: Algebraic Formula of $L_{d-1}$

$M$  : matrix form of the d-boundary map of P.H. under standard bases (entries are  $\pm z^t$ )

$D = M|_{z=1}$  : matrix form of the d-boundary map of H

For  $K \subset X_{d-1}, S \subset X_d$ ,  $M_K, D_{KS}$  (etc) mean the restriction to  $K, S$

**Prop:** For  $|K| = \gamma_d(X)$ ,  $\det M_K M_K^t = z^{2e(K)} \sum_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} (\det D_{KS})^2 z^{2\tau(S)}$  (Id-S.A.)

where  $\tau(S) = \text{wt}(S) - \min_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} \text{wt}(S)$ ,  $e(K) = \min_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} \text{wt}(S) - \text{wt}(K)$

**Pf) Binet-Cauchy.** ■

**Prop:** For the elementary divisors  $d_1 = z^{e_1}, \dots, d_r = z^{e_r}$  of  $M$ ,

$$\min_{K \in \mathcal{S}_c^{(d-1)}} e(K) = e_1 + \dots + e_r,$$

where  $\mathcal{S}_c^{(d-1)} = \{X_{d-1} \setminus L : L \in \mathcal{S}^{(d-1)}\}$

**Pf) Use**  $d_1 \cdots d_r = \Delta_r(M)$  (determinantal divisor) and

$$D_{KS} \neq 0 \iff S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}, K \in \mathcal{S}_c^{(d-1)} \quad \blacksquare$$

$\longrightarrow$   $L_{d-1} = e_1 + \dots + e_r$  leads to

$$L_{d-1} = \min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} \text{wt}(T) - \max_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d-1)}} \text{wt}(X_{d-1} \setminus S) \quad \blacksquare$$

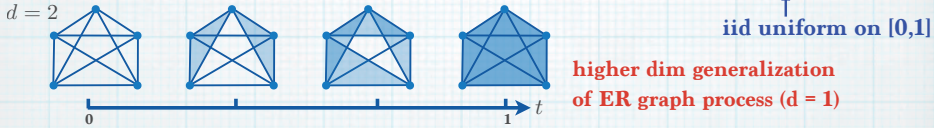
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# Main Result

**Frieze's zeta(3)-limit thm:**

$$\mathbb{E}[L_0] = \mathbb{E}[\min_{T \in \mathcal{S}(1)} \text{wt}(T)] \rightarrow \zeta(3) = 1.202 \dots \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

**d-Linial-Meshulam Process:**  $\mathcal{K}^{(d)}(t) = \Delta_{n-1}^{(d-1)} \sqcup \{\sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d : t_\sigma \leq t\}$



**Theorem: For d-LM process,**  $\mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] = O(n^{d-1}), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$

**Clique Complex Process:**  $\Delta_{n-1}^{(0)} = \mathcal{C}(0) \subset \mathcal{C}(t) \subset \mathcal{C}(1) = \Delta_{n-1}$

(clique of ER process)

where  $\mathcal{C}(t) = \text{Cl}(\mathcal{K}^{(1)}(t)), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$

**Theorem: For clique complex process,**

$$cn^{d-1} \leq \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] \leq Cn^{d-1} \log n \quad (d = 1, 2)$$

$$cn^{\frac{(d+2)(d-1)}{2d}} \leq \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] \leq Cn^{d-1} \quad (d \geq 3)$$

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# Sketch of Proof: d-LM process

**Prove:**  $\mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] = O(n^{d-1}), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$

$$L_{d-1} = \min_{T \in \mathcal{S}(d)} \text{wt}(T) - \max_{S \in \mathcal{S}(d-1)} \text{wt}(X_{d-1} \setminus S) = \int_0^1 \beta_{d-1}(t) dt$$

Let  $Y_t = \mathcal{K}^{(d)}(t)$ .

- For a lower bound, use  $\square$  (with complete (d-1)-skeleton)

$$L_{d-1} = \text{wt}(T) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{|T|} u_i \quad N = \binom{n}{d+1}$$

$T$  : minimum spanning acycle

$u_1 \leq u_2 \leq \dots \leq u_N$  : rearrangement of  $\{t_\sigma : \sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d\}$

$$\longrightarrow \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] \geq \sum_{i=1}^{|T|} \mathbb{E}[u_i] = \sum_{i=1}^{|T|} \frac{i}{N+1} \sim \frac{d+1}{2d!} n^{d-1}$$

**lemma:**  
 $|T| = \binom{n-1}{d}$

- For an upper bound, use  $\square$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_d(Y) &= \{\sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d : \beta_{d-1}(Y \cup \sigma) = \beta_{d-1}(Y) - 1\} \\ \mathcal{S}_d(Y) &= \{\sigma \in (\Delta_{n-1})_d : \beta_{d-1}(Y \cup \sigma) = \beta_{d-1}(Y)\} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma:**  $\beta_{d-1}(Y) \leq \frac{d+1}{n} |\mathcal{R}_d(Y)|$

**Linial, et al**  
 $\text{rank}_{\partial_{Y,d}} \geq \frac{d+1}{n} |Y_d|$

**pf)**  $\bar{Y} := Y \cup \mathcal{S}_d(Y)$ . Then,

$$\beta_{d-1}(Y) = \beta_{d-1}(\bar{Y}) = \binom{n-1}{d} - \text{rank}_{\partial_{\bar{Y},d}} \leq \binom{n-1}{d} - \frac{d+1}{n} |\bar{Y}_d|$$

$\mathcal{C}_n^{(d)}$ : the set of  $d$ -dim simpl. cplx on  $n$  vertices with  $(d-1)$ -complete skeleton

$$\mathcal{C}_{n,m}^{(d)} = \{Y \in \mathcal{C}_n^{(d)} : |Y_d| = m\} \quad Y^{(d)}(n, m): \text{uniform dist on } \mathcal{C}_{n,m}^{(d)}$$

**First, we show**  $\int_0^1 \mathbb{E}|\mathcal{R}_d(Y_t)| dt \leq \frac{m}{1-\rho_{n,m}}, 1 \leq \forall m \leq N$

where  $\rho_{n,m} = \mathbb{P}(\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_d(Z)), Z \sim Y^{(d)}(n, m)$

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Let us set  $m_c(n) = \min\{m \leq N : \rho_{n,m} \leq c\}$ .

**Hoffman-Kahle-Paquette**  
 $m_{1/2}(n) \leq 4 \binom{n}{d}$

By setting  $c = 1/2$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbb{E}|\mathcal{R}_d(Y_t)| dt \leq \frac{m}{1-\rho_{n,m}} \leq 2m_{1/2}(n) \leq 8 \binom{n}{d}.$$

Hence, we have

$$\mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] = \int_0^1 \mathbb{E}[\beta_{d-1}(t)] dt \leq \frac{d+1}{n} \int_0^1 \mathbb{E}|\mathcal{R}_d(Y_t)| dt \leq 8 \frac{d+1}{n} \binom{n}{d} \sim \frac{8(d+1)}{d!} n^{d-1} \blacksquare$$

#### 4. Generalization of Frieze's zeta( $\mathfrak{S}$ )-Limit Theorem

### Sketch of Proof: Clique complex process

**Prove:**  $cn^{d-1} \leq \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] \leq Cn^{d-1} \log n$  ( $d = 1, 2$ )

$$cn^{\frac{(d+2)(d-1)}{2d}} \leq \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}] \leq Cn^{d-1} \quad (d \geq 3)$$

$$L_{d-1} = \min_{T \in \mathcal{S}^{(d)}} \text{wt}(T) - \max_{S \in \mathcal{S}^{(d-1)}} \text{wt}(X_{d-1} \setminus S) = \int_0^1 \beta_{d-1}(t) dt$$

For both upper & lower bounds, use  $\square$  with the Morse inequality

$$-f_{d-2}(t) + f_{d-1}(t) - f_d(t) \leq \beta_{d-1}(t) \leq f_{d-1}(t)$$

where  $\beta_i(t) = \beta_i(\mathcal{C}(t))$  and  $f_i(t) = |\mathcal{C}(t)_i|$

- **Lower bound:**  $\mathbb{E}[f_j(t)] = \binom{n}{j+1} t^{\binom{j+1}{2}}$  and straightforward cal.
- **Upper bound: Discrete Morse Theory, i.e.,**  
reduce  $f_{d-1}(t)$  by critical cells defined by  
a lex-order Morse function ■

### Further Discussions

- **Limiting constant of d-LM process**

$$I_{d-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{d-1}} \mathbb{E}[L_{d-1}]$$

- **Central limit theorem of  $L_{d-1}$  in d-LM process**
- **Limit theorem of persistence diagram**
- **Order in the clique complex process**
- **Asymptotics of  $\ell^2$ -norm and persistence landscape**
- **Wilson's algorithm for "uniform" spanning acycles**

Thank you very much