



Seminari Informal de Matemàtiques de Barcelona

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Date: Wednesday, June 1st, 2022.

Schedule: 12:00, virtual coffee break; 12:20, talk.

Place: UB (FMI aula B1) and Zoom.

Language: English.

Title: Reconstruction of univariate functions from persistence diagrams

Abstract:

Persistent homology computes topological features of a space at different spatial resolutions. More precisely, the persistent homology transform (PHT) is a function on the sphere S^{d-1} that associates to each unit vector v the persistence diagram of sublevel sets of a finite geometric simplicial complex in the direction v. We study the inverse problem for d=2 in the case of single-variable functions f, namely, reconstructing the graph of f by using persistence diagrams of sublevel sets from height functions in different directions. We provide algorithms when f is piece-wise linear, where three directions suffice, and for the smooth case, where five directions are needed. The study is motivated by the use of Topological Data Analysis together with Machine learning, specially for explainability and privacy purposes, of which we give an example.

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