

# Witness Complexes for Time Series Analysis

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- 3) Compute persistent homology - witness complexes
- 4) Statistics on persistence diagrams - metrics, stability

## 2. delay reconstruction

# Delay Coordinate Reconstruction

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (x(t), x(t - \tau), x(t - 2 \cdot \tau), \dots, x(t - m \cdot \tau))$$

**Two parameters:**  $m$  dimension;  
 $\tau$  delay

**Theoretical bounds:**  $m \geq 2(\text{box-dim}) + 1$ ;  
 $\tau$  generic

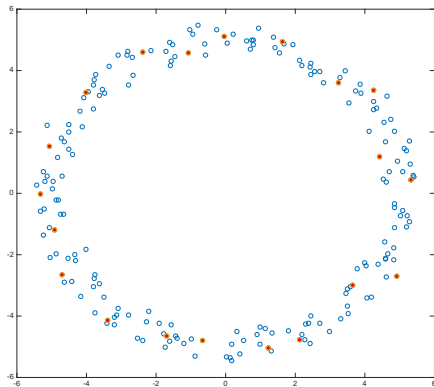
**Heuristics:**  $m$  estimations (False Nearest Neighbor);  
 $\tau$  estimations (1st Minimum of Average Mutual Information)

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### 3. witness complexes

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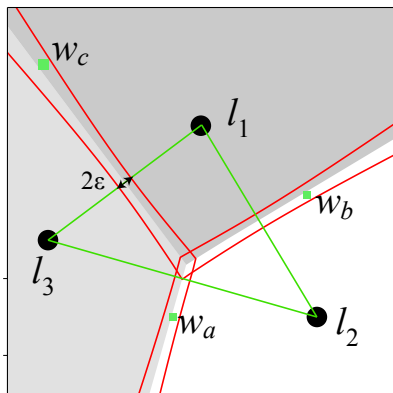
$\Gamma = \{w_1, \dots, w_N\}$ , where  $w_{i+1} = \hat{\mathcal{F}}(w_i, \Delta t_i)$ ; *called witnesses*

$L = \{l_1, \dots, l_M\}$ , some subset of the witnesses; *called landmarks*

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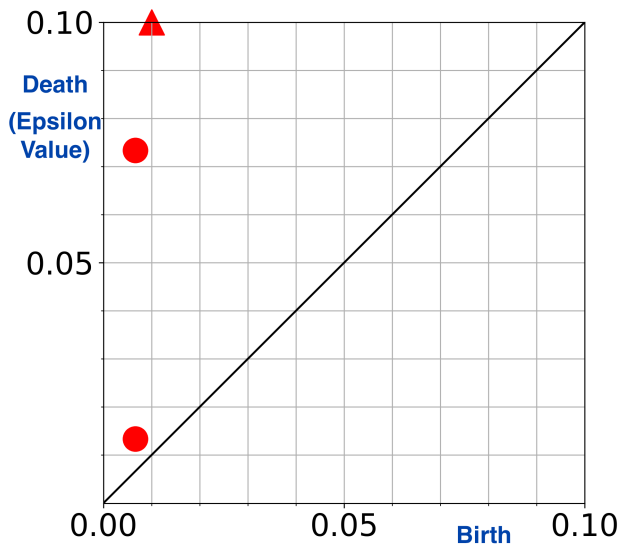


*“is a witness of landmark”*:  $w_t \in W^\epsilon(l_i)$  if  $d(w_t, l_i) \leq d(w_t, L) + \epsilon$

*“is a simplex in the witness complex”*:  $\sigma = \langle l_{i_1}, \dots, l_{i_k} \rangle \in \mathcal{W}^\epsilon(\Gamma, L)$   
if  $\exists w_t \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k W^\epsilon(l_{i_j})$ .

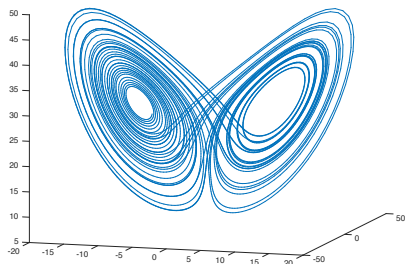


# Persistence Diagrams for Witness Complexes

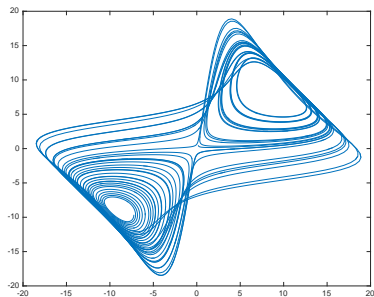
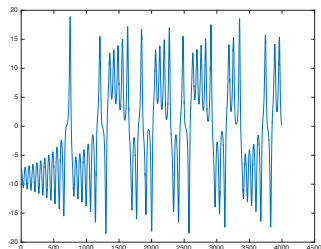


## 4. into the pipeline

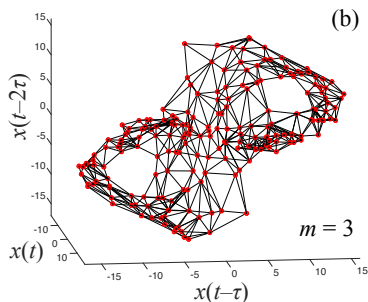
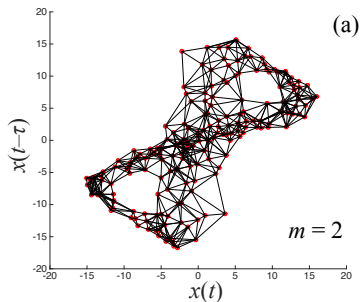
# Test Case: Lorenz 63



- $m = 2, \tau = 20$
- 5000 W, 100 L
- coarse-grain topology



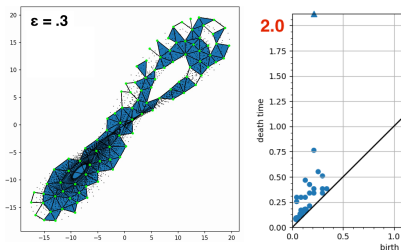
## Setting $m = 2$ .



Increasing the embedding dimension and tracking edge formation/destruction between landmarks showed that  $m = 2$  is often sufficient to correctly capture the  $H_1$  homology with a witness complex.

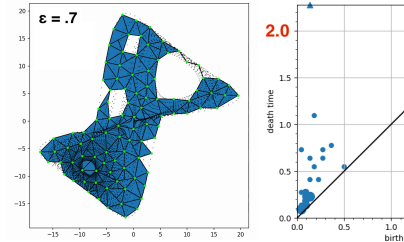
**Next:** See what we can squeeze out of varying delay parameter  $\tau$ .

# Some problems with standard witness complexes



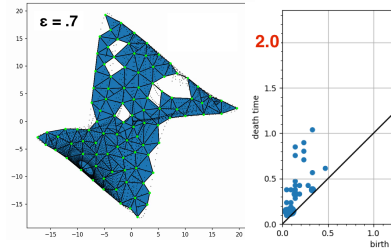
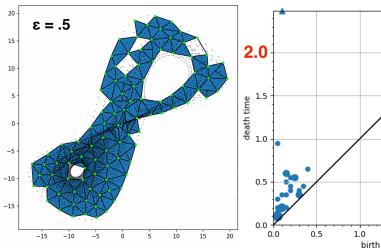
\*  $\tau = 6$ , small reach

\*  $\tau = 12$ , luck

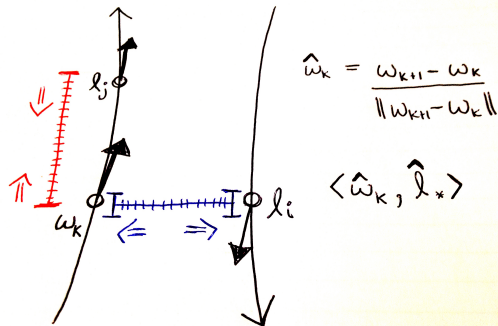


\*  $\tau = 18$ , high speed/low density

\*  $\tau = 24$ , folding/projection



## Some observations about delay reconstruction

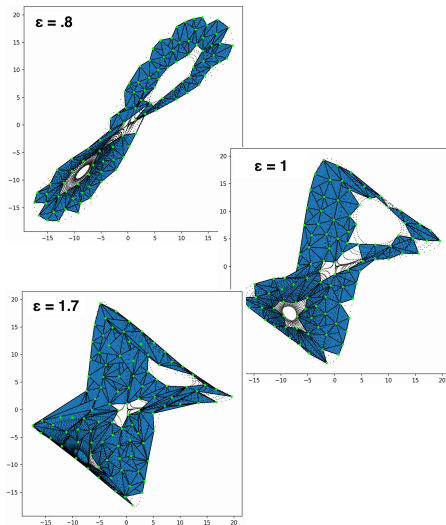


**Observation:** Holes that “matter” have tangent vectors across the hole that point in opposite directions.

# Novel Witness Complexes: Additive Penalty

$$d_A(w, l) = d_E + k_A \cdot (1 - \langle \hat{w}, \hat{l} \rangle)$$

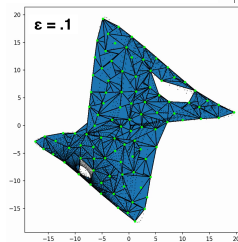
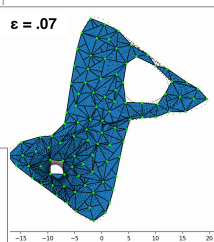
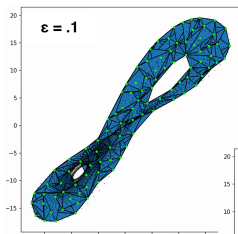
- $k_A = 5$
- penalty for opposite direction of travel!
- “outside-in, star-shaped” holes!
- maintains holes!



# Novel Witness Complexes: Multiplicative Distortion

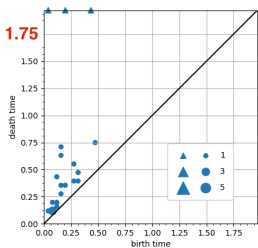
$$d_M(w, l) = \frac{d_E}{1 + k_M \cdot (1 + \langle \hat{w}, \hat{l} \rangle)}$$

- $k_M = 10$
- bonus for parallel travel!
- “circularizes” ellipses!
- keeps holes open!

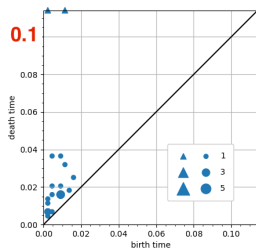




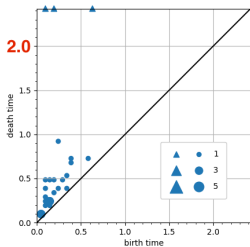
# Persistence Diagrams: Additive / Multiplicative



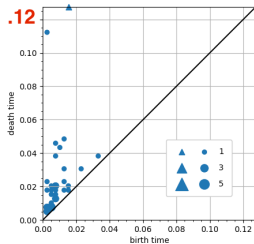
$$k_A = 5, \tau = 6$$



$$k_M = 10, \tau = 6$$



$$k_A = 5, \tau = 24$$



$$k_M = 10, \tau = 24$$

- Witness complexes are good; they reduce computation.
- Need to take care with time series reconstructions to get consistent topological signature.
- Important to have an automated method; requires metric: Wasserstein on PDs, weighted- $L^2$  on persistence rank functions.

# Thanks for listening!

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