

# Assignment: paper Summary/Review

Motivation: PH on large complexes is expensive  
How to compute fast.

Today: Optimizations to PH

{ Clearing  
Cohomology alg  
Compression

Recall Reduction Alg:

$$0 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} C_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_2}$$

$$R_k = \partial_k U_k$$

Alg:

input:  $\partial \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}$

return:  $R \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}$ ,  $U \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$

initialize  $R = \partial$ ,  $U = I$

for  $j = 1 \dots n$ : *look in  $\mathbb{F}$*

*(last nonzero index)*

while  $\exists j_2 \in j$  with  $\text{pivot}(j_2) > \text{pivot}(j)$

$$p = \text{pivot}(j_2)$$

$$c = R[p, j] / R[p, j_2]$$

$$R[:, j] -= c R[:, j_2]$$

$$U[:, j] -= c U[:, j_2] \leftarrow \text{optional}$$

return  $R, U$

Way to read off Pfl:

- birth of homology class in  $d$  dim  $k$  when we add column (simplex) to  $J_k$  which is zeroed out in  $R_k$ . call this simplex index  $i$ .
- death of this homology class when we add a column (simplex) to  $J_{k+1}$  which has  $i$  as a pivot in  $R_{k+1}$ .

Associated lemma: The addition of a simplex in a filtration either creates or destroys homology:

"proof": the associated column in  $R_k$  is either 0 or has a pivot.

Optimization 1 (trivial): if we don't care about generators, i.e. only barcode, don't need to form matrix  $U$

Optimization 2: clearing/killing Refs:

Chen & Kerber "Twist" 2011

de Silva, Morozov, Vejdem-Johansson Cohomology alg 2011

Observation: if column  $j$  of  $R_{k+1}$  has pivot  $i$ , then column  $i$  of  $R_k$  will be zero

$\Rightarrow$  if we don't care about  $U$ , just set  $R_k[i, i] = 0$  without doing any work.

In order to apply this optimization, should process boundary matrices in reverse order:

- 1) Reduce  $R_{k+1}$  from  $d_{k+1}$
- 2) identify pivots in  $R_{k+1}$
- 3) "clear" or "kill" columns of  $d_k$
- 4) reduce  $R_k$  from  $d_k$   $\leftarrow$

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### Cohomology Alg:

First, what is cohomology? A big subject in mathematics. We're going to do the minimum. Essentially, take deals of vector spaces in chain complexes to get cochain complexes.

$$C^k = \underline{\text{Hom}(C_k; \mathbb{F})} \quad x \in C_k, \quad x^* \in C^k : x^* : x \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$$

$\text{Hom}(-; \mathbb{F})$  is what is called a contravariant functor, meaning it reverses arrows

objects  $\rightarrow$  objects

maps  $\rightarrow$  maps

$$\underline{V_0} \xrightarrow{A} V_1$$

$$\begin{matrix} y \\ \uparrow \\ V_1 \end{matrix} = A \begin{matrix} x \\ \uparrow \\ V_0 \end{matrix}$$

Hom

$$\underline{V_0^*} \xrightarrow{A^*} V_1^*$$

$$A^*: x^* \mapsto A^T y^*$$

$$(y \mapsto 1) \mapsto A \circ (y \mapsto 1)$$

Hom( $\cdot$ ;  $F$ ) turns a chain complex

$$0 \xleftarrow{d_0} C_0 \xleftarrow{d_1} C_1 \xleftarrow{d_2} \dots$$

into a cochain complex

$$0 \xrightarrow{\delta^0} C^0 \xrightarrow{\delta^1} C^1 \xrightarrow{\delta^2} \dots$$

$$\delta^k = d_k^T$$

$$\delta^{k+1} \circ \delta^k = 0$$

$$\text{define } H^k(C^*) = \ker \delta^{k+1} / \text{img } \delta^k \quad \left. \vphantom{\text{define}} \right\} (d_k \circ d_{k+1})^T = 0$$

Over fields,  $H^k(X) \cong H_k(X)$  generally (not true if not a field)

Lemma: Let  $V_0 \xrightarrow{A_0} V_1 \xrightarrow{A_1} V_2 \xrightarrow{A_2} \dots$

be a type- $A$  quiver rep. Then the

dual quiver rep w/ reversed arrows

$$V_0^* \xrightarrow{A_0^T} V_1^* \xrightarrow{A_1^T} V_2^* \xrightarrow{A_2^T} \dots$$

has the same barcode.

Proof: we'll use a barcode factorization, and look at  $V_k$ .

$$\xrightarrow{A_k} V_k \xleftarrow{A_k} \quad = \quad \xrightarrow{B_k E_k B_k^{-1}} V_k \xleftarrow{B_k E_k B_k^{-1}}$$

$$\xrightarrow{A_k^T} V_k^* \xleftarrow{A_k^T} \quad \dots \quad \xrightarrow{B_k^{-T} E_k^T B_k^T} V_k \xleftarrow{B_k^{-T} E_k^T B_k^T}$$

change of basis via  $B_k$  on  $V_k$  gives

$$\xrightarrow{E_k} V_k \xleftarrow{E_k}$$

easy to read off barcode.

change of basis via  $B_k^{-T}$  on  $V_k^*$  gives

$$\xrightarrow{E_k^T} V_k^* \xleftarrow{E_k^T}$$

Recall that  $E_k$  matrices have at most one non-zero in each row & column.

$\Rightarrow E_k^T$  has same property.

$E_k^T$  identifies basis (co) vectors  $V_k^*$  w/

basis (co) vectors in  $V_k$ . We can check the barcode doesn't change b/c identification of indices doesn't change.

$\rightarrow$  type A quiver rep & dual have same barcode  $\square$

Prop:  $H^k(X) \cong H_k(X)$

Note: cochain cpx is dual type-A quiver  
rep of chain cpx.  $\Rightarrow$  has same barcode.

From HW 2: indecomposables of chain  
cpx are  $I[k, k+1]$  or  $I[k, k]$

dim  $H_k = \# \{ I[k, k] \}$

Basis vector for  $I[k, k]$  is a rep for hom  
class.

similarly, dim  $H^k = \# \{ I[k, k] \}$

Since barcodes are identical, dimensions same  $\square$

$\Rightarrow$  homology & cohomology are same for a fixed  
space.  $\Rightarrow$  can either compute  $R_k = d_k U_k$  or

$$\tilde{R}_k = \delta_k \tilde{U}_k$$

and extract information.

What abt persistent versions of homology &  
cohomology.

Interpretation w.r.t. a filtration a bit different.

b/c cohomology is contravariant

$$X_0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow \dots$$

$$H_n(X_0) \rightarrow H_n(X_1) \rightarrow H_n(X_2) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$H^k(X_0) \leftarrow H^k(X_1) \leftarrow H^k(X_2) \leftarrow \dots$$

↓  
death

↑  
birth

Cohomology alg: use matrices  $\delta$  where basis efts are in reverse filtration order.

can run reduction alg on this matrix.

interpretation: cohomology classes born at larger filtration values and die at smaller filtration values. [b, d]

Persistent homology barcode & persistent cohomology barcode are identical.

Additional details. Two <sup>man</sup> ways to implement reduction alg. correspond to forward/backward looking factorization algs. Standard reduction "pH col" is backward looking.

"row" is forward looking.

input:  $\delta_n$  output  $R_k, U_k$

initialize  $R_n = \delta_n, U_n = I$

for  $i = n - 1$

inds =  $\{j \mid \text{pivot}(j) = i\}$

$p = \text{inds}[0]$  / first  $j$  where  $i$  appears as pivot

for  $j \in \text{inds}[1 \dots]$

$$c = R[0, j] / R[0, p]$$

$$R[:, j] -= c R[:, p]$$

$$U[:, j] -= c U[:, p]$$

Output of this alg is identical to standard alg. All we have done is reorder operations

called "row" alg because we eliminate all pivots on a row at once.

Original version of cohomology alg. used "row" alg w/ a clearing optimization observed large speedups.  $\uparrow$



Note that clearing in cohomology is a bit different. We process  $\delta_k$  before  $\delta_{k+1}$  to identify columns of  $\delta_{k+1}$  which will be cleared. (done reversed w/rt. homology clearing)

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Compression optimization:

Let's go back to homology:

$$0 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} C_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_2} \dots$$

Clearing: identify columns of  $R_k$  which will be zero by analyzing pivots of  $R_{k+1}$

Compression: remove rows of  $\delta_{k+1}$  by analyzing cols on  $R_k$ .

Observation: if column  $i$  is not zero in  $R_k$ , row  $i$  will not contain a pivot in  $R_{k+1}$ .

(b/c pivot in  $R_{k+1}$  = zero col in  $R_k$ )

→ if we process  $R_k = \partial_k U_k$  before looking at  $\delta_{k+1}$ , we can safely remove rows from  $\delta_{k+1}$  because they will never be used in reduction. (and are not needed for barcode)

Note: can still form  $U_k$  using this observation

Note: can apply a version of this to  
Coblenzology alg as well.

Compression opts: Bauer, Kerber, Reinounghaus 2014

Two opts =

Clearing (process dimensions in reverse order)

Compression (process dimension in order)

IS there a way to combine them?

Bauer et al 2014: yes. Chunk alg.

idea is to break up computation into chunks

use clearing while working locally, and

can use clearing/compression when combining  
results from different chunks.

Notes: pivots found locally are valid.

However, zeroing out a column in submatrix  
doesn't guarantee it will be zero when  
communicating w/ other blocks.

⇒ clear & compress local pivots, then  
finish reduction on "global columns"

Note 2: can parallelize local reductions  
originally implement-d in PHAT

Wrapped by Scikit TDA

Empirically, working w/ cohomology alg + opts.  
is faster than homology on Rips complexes.  
For other complexes, this may not be the case.

RipsC (wrapped by Scikit TDA)

Bauer 2017. implements cohomology alg  
w/ clear/compress

RipsC++ 2020 uses GPU for more parallelism  
Even faster.

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