

The Geometry and Topology of Shape Patterns with Applications to Leukaemia

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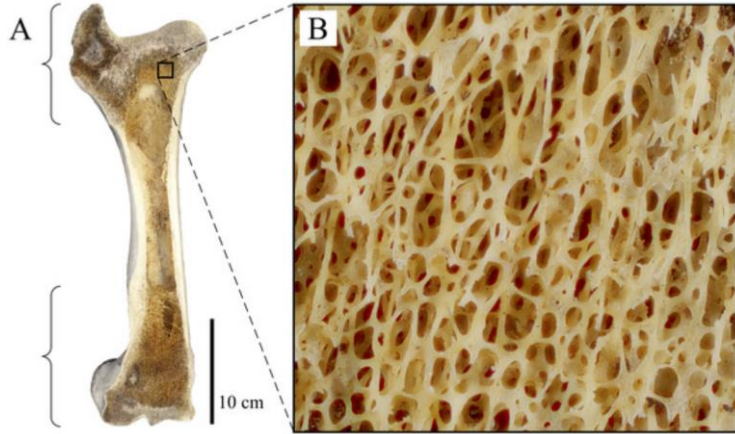
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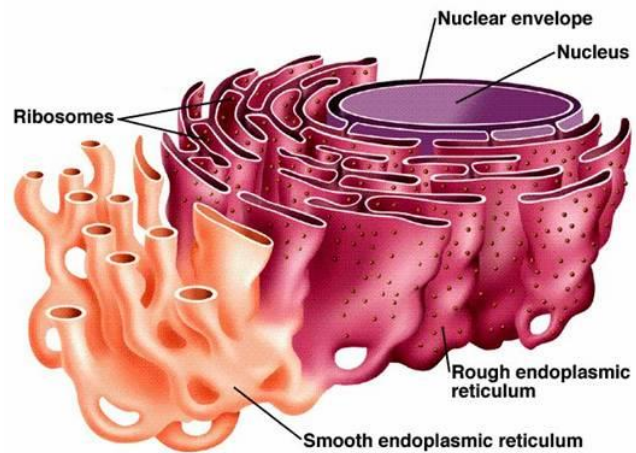
Introduction

Tubular and membranous shapes

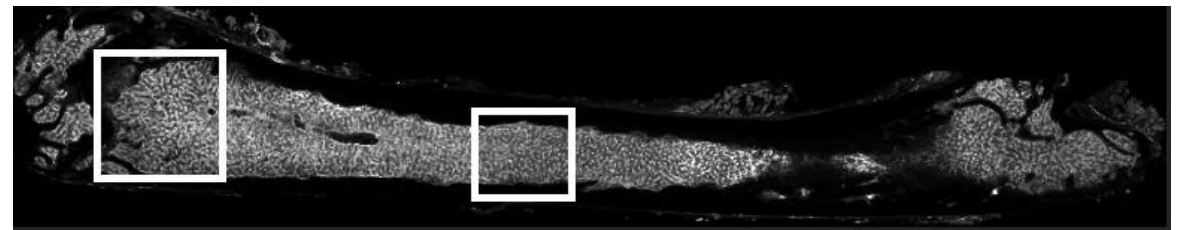
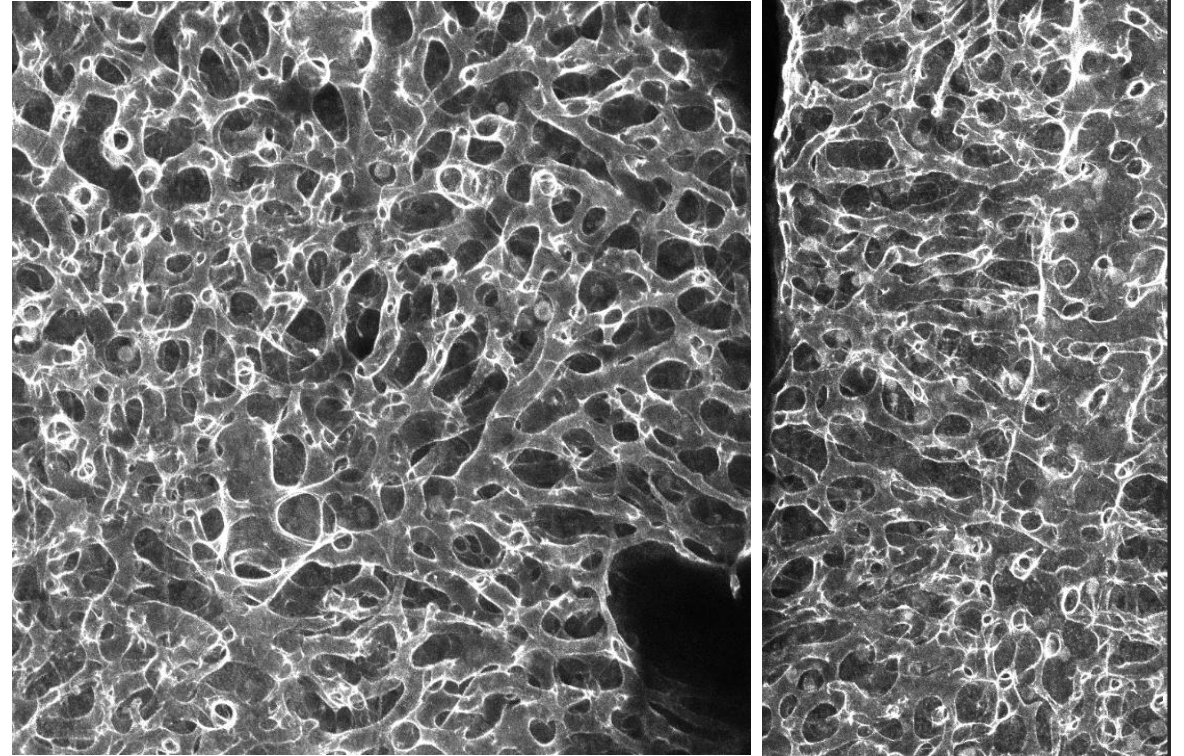


modified from Bishop et al., PeerJ (2018)

spongy bone



endoplasmic reticulum



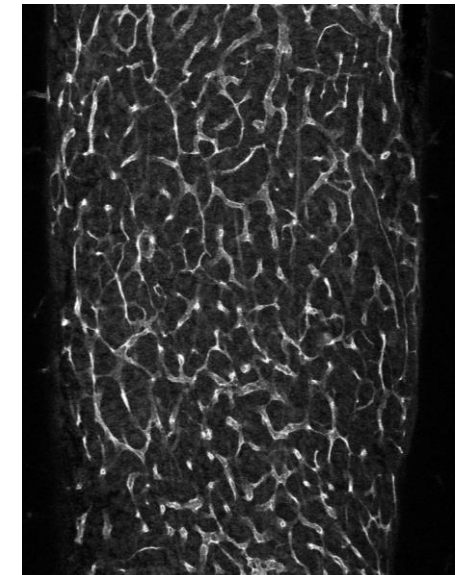
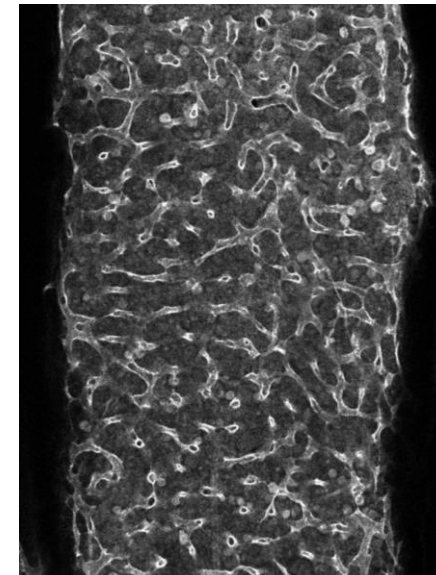
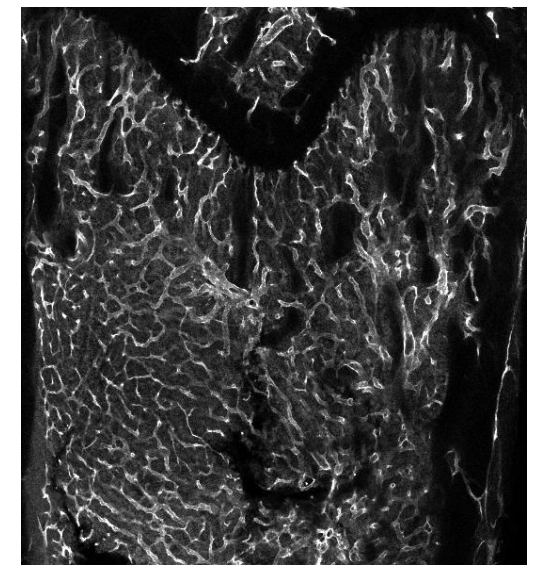
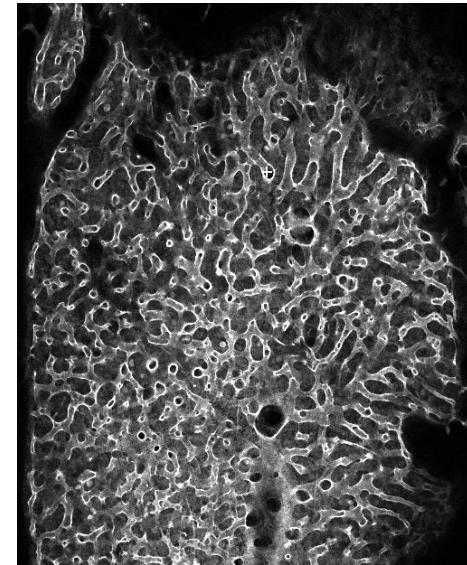
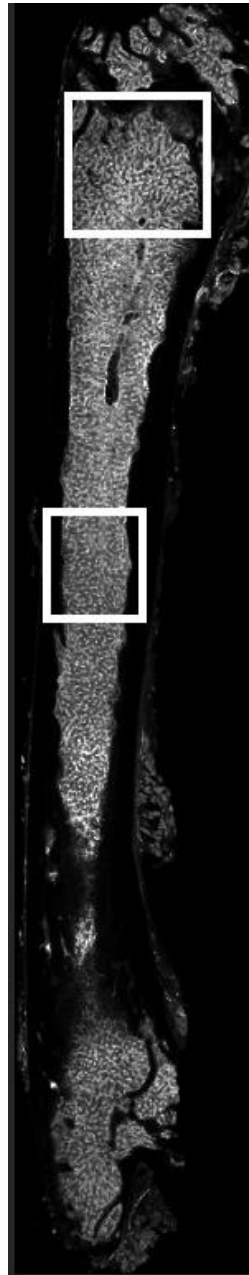
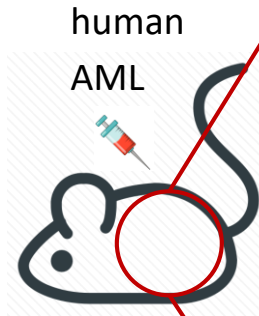
Data : Antoniana Batsivari and Dominique Bonnet

vascular network of the bone marrow

Quantify patterns to understand diseases

AML = Acute Myeloid Leukaemia

How does AML remodel bone marrow vessels?

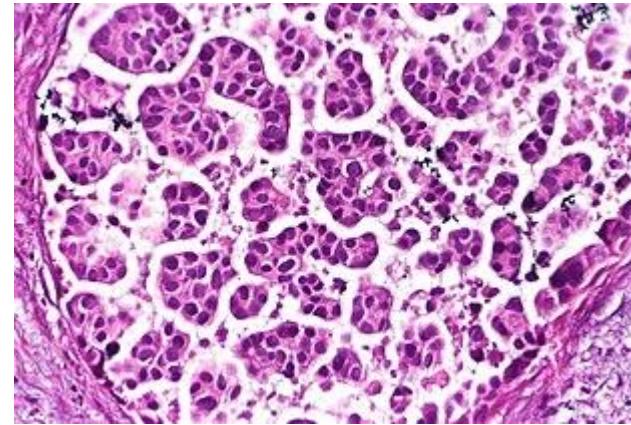
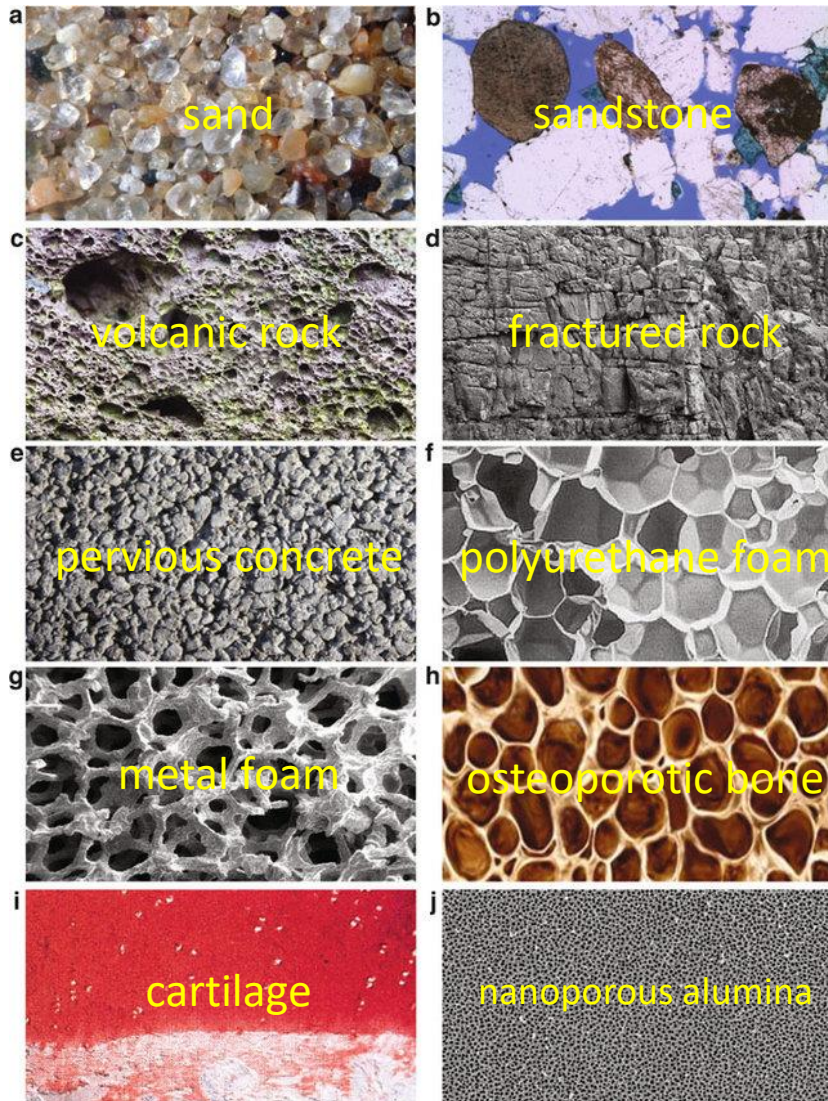


3D confocal images by Antoniana Batsivari and Dominique Bonnet

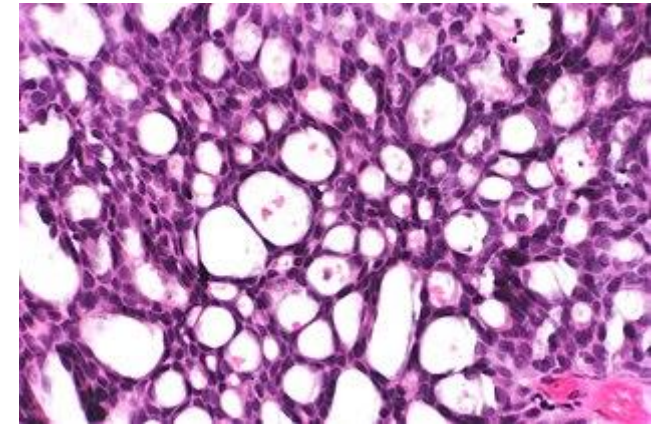
healthy

after engraftment

What is *texture* in shapes?



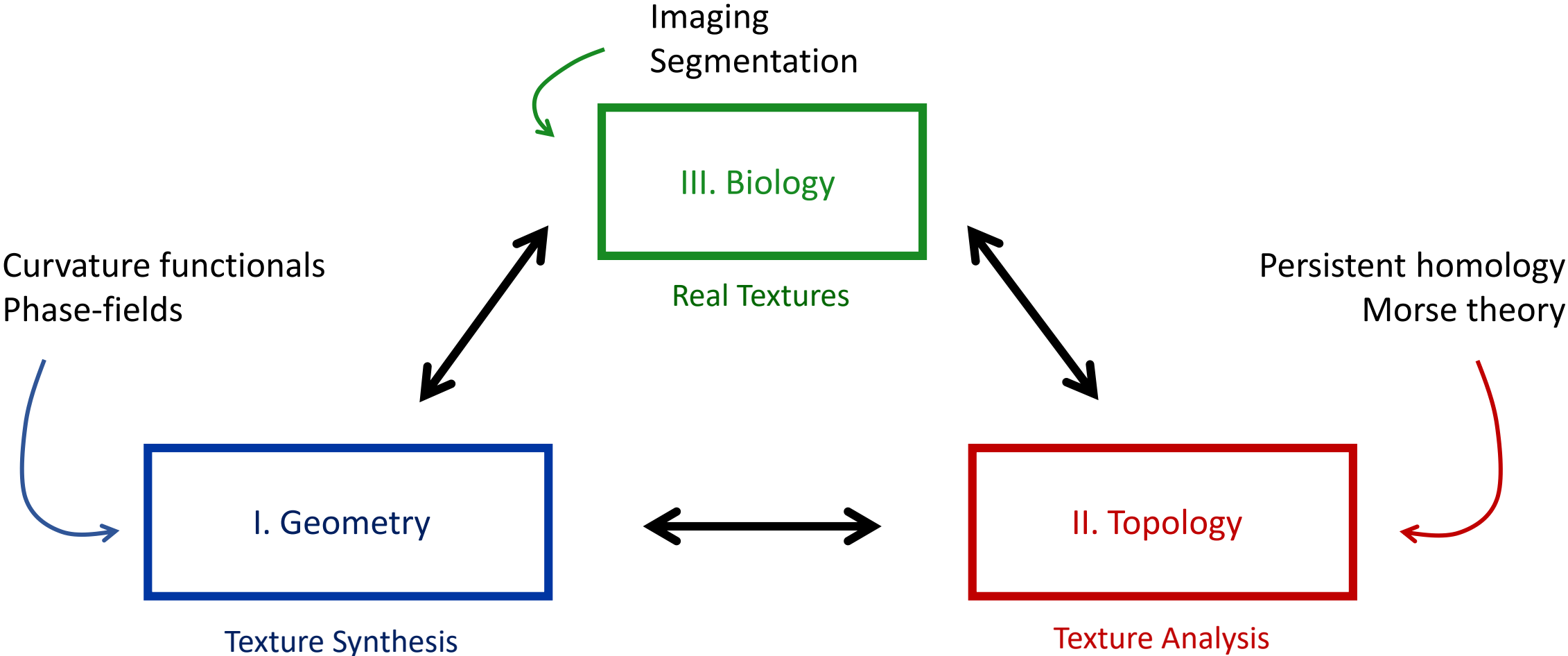
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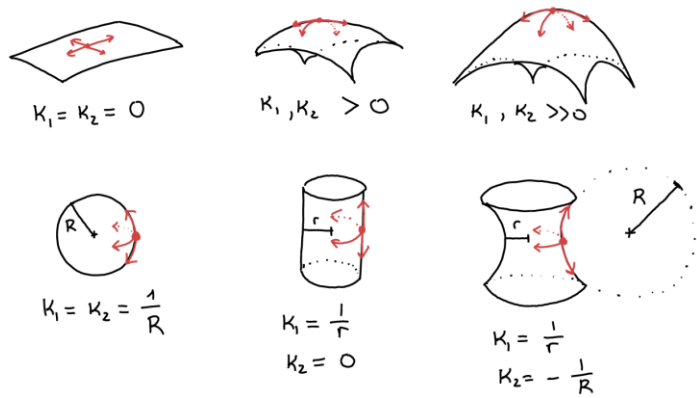


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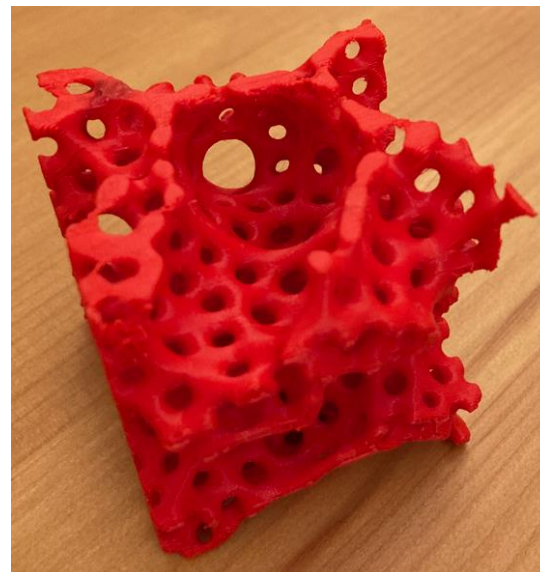
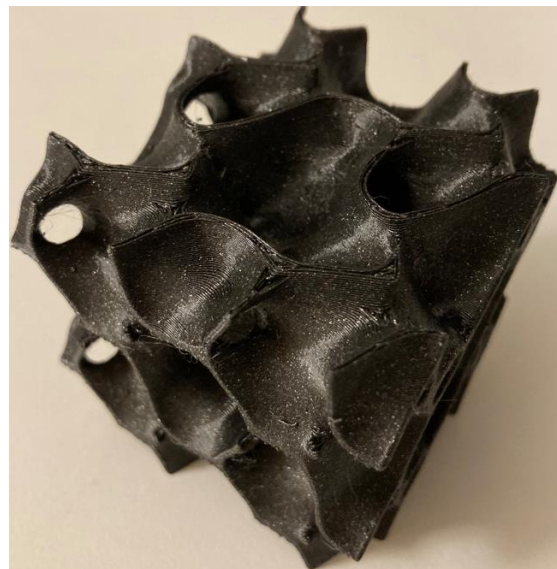
- **geometric** and **topological** features
- how to **model** / **quantify** texture?
- **computable** and **interpretable** outputs

The geometry and topology of *texture* in shapes



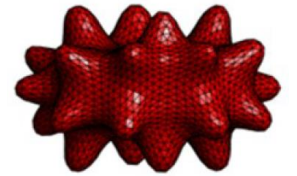
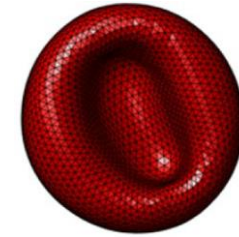
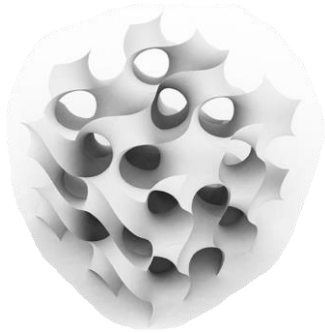


I. Curvatubes



Generation of Tubular and Membranous Shape Textures with Curvature Functionals, Anna Song, *J Math Imaging Vis* (2021)

Energy-minimizing surfaces



Geekiyanaige, Balanant, Sauret, et al. (2019)

$$E_A(\mathcal{S}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} 1 dA$$

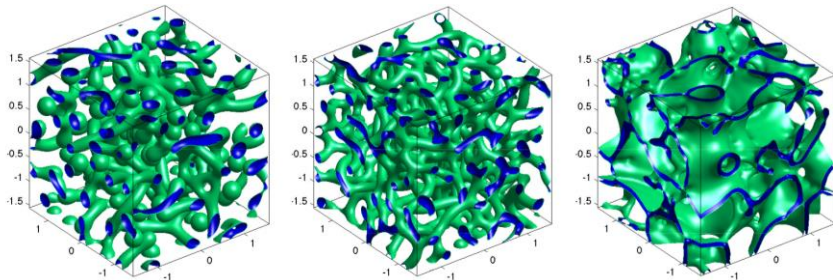
area

$$E_W(\mathcal{S}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} H^2 dA$$

Willmore (1960')

$$E_H(\mathcal{S}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} \left(\frac{\chi_b}{2} (H - H_0)^2 + \chi_G K \right) dA$$

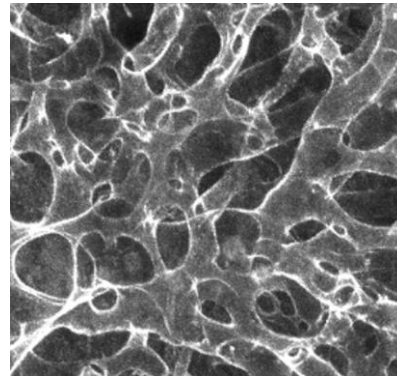
Helfrich (1970') and beyond



Kraitzman & Promislow (2014)

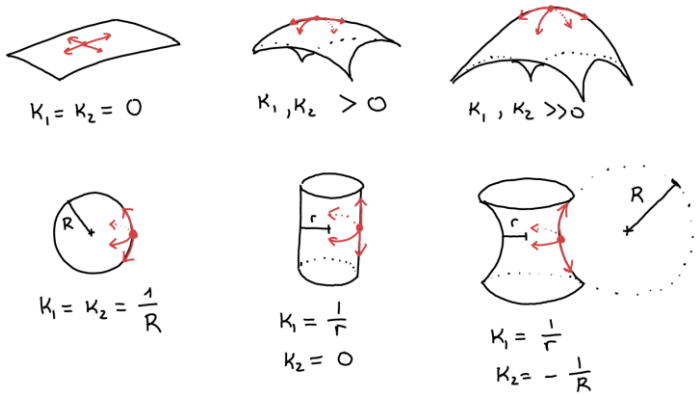
FCH model (2012)

not curvature-based



General 3D shapes?

Branching, tubular, membranous, porous, spherical...

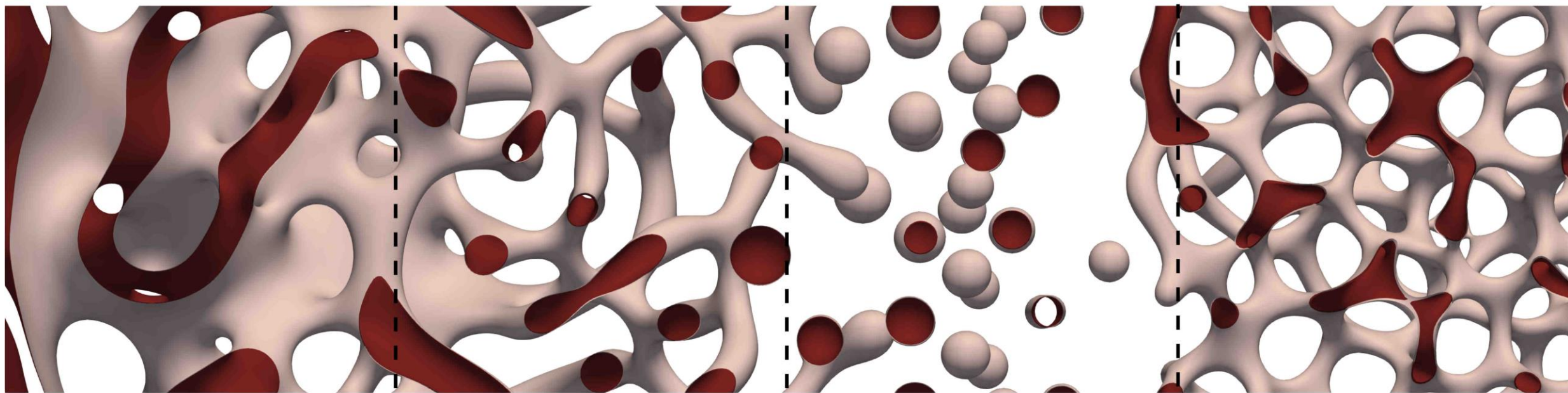


“Curvatubes” functional

$$F(S) = \int_S p(\kappa_1, \kappa_2) dA$$

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2} a_\alpha(x, y)^\alpha$$

can be asymmetric



$$H^2 + \kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2$$

$$(H - 20)^2 + 5 \kappa_2^2$$

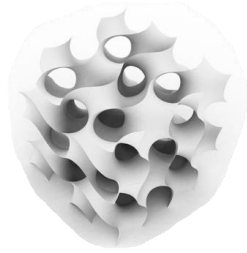
$$(H - 25)^2 + (\kappa_1 - 12.5)^2 + (\kappa_2 - 12.5)^2$$

$$(H - 45)^2 + (\kappa_1 - 45)^2 + 10 \kappa_2^2$$

Main contributions

$$E_A(\mathcal{S}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} 1 dA$$

minimal surfaces (1750')



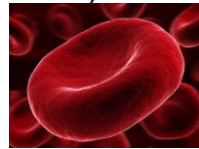
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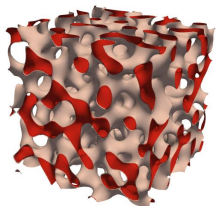
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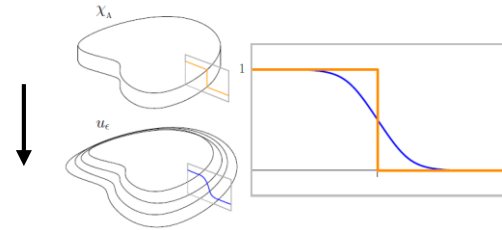
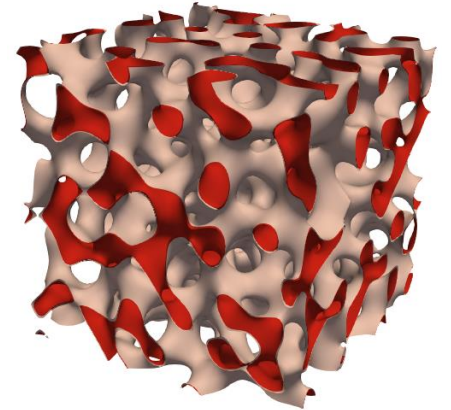
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Curvatubes (2021)



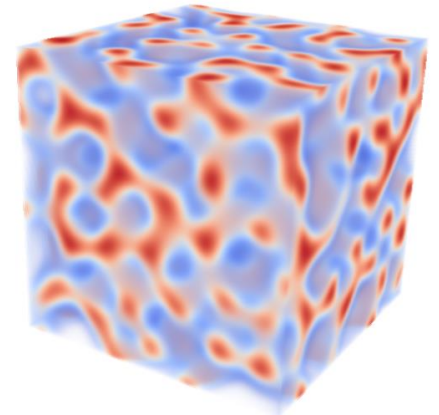
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2D surface energy
hard to simulate



$$\mathcal{E}_\epsilon(u) = \int_{\Omega} p(\kappa_{1,u}^\epsilon, \kappa_{2,u}^\epsilon) \epsilon |\nabla u|^2 dx$$

3D phase-field energy
GPU-friendly

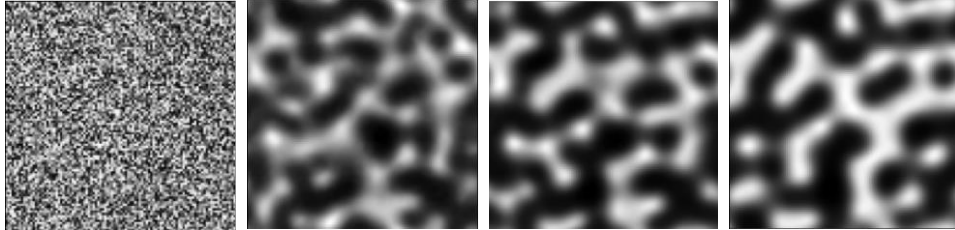


Algorithm

curvatubes

parameters inside energy

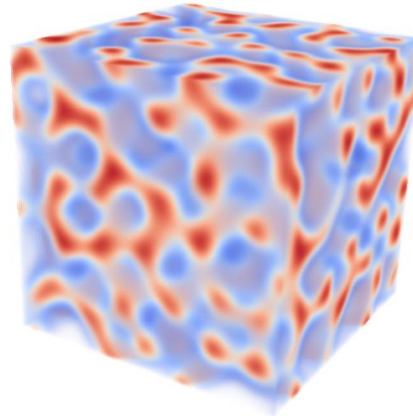
random initialization



$$\dot{u} = \Delta \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_\epsilon}{\partial u}$$

phase-field

=



$$\mathcal{F}_\epsilon(u) = \int_{\Omega} \left[\frac{a_{2,0} + a_{0,2} - a_{1,1}}{2\epsilon} \|\mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon\|^2 + \frac{a_{1,1}}{2\epsilon} (\text{Tr} \mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon)^2 + \frac{a_{2,0} - a_{0,2}}{2\epsilon} \text{Tr} \mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon \sqrt{(2\|\mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon\|^2 - (\text{Tr} \mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon)^2)^+} + \frac{a_{1,0} + a_{0,1}}{2} |\nabla u| \text{Tr} \mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon + \frac{a_{1,0} - a_{0,1}}{2} |\nabla u| \sqrt{(2\|\mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon\|^2 - (\text{Tr} \mathcal{M}_u^\epsilon)^2)^+} + a_{0,0} \epsilon |\nabla u|^2 \right] dx.$$

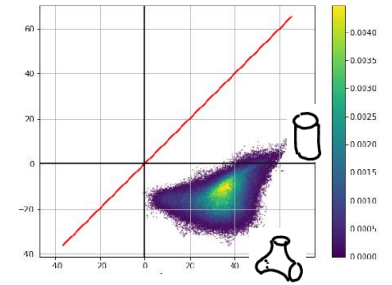
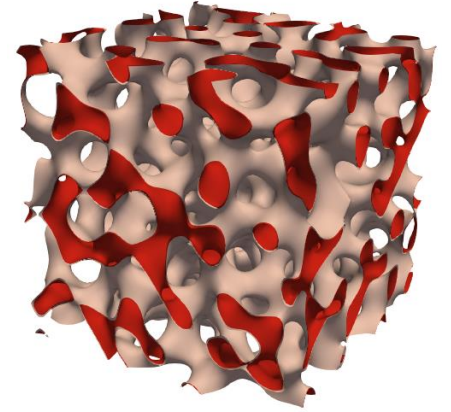
similarity with Cahn-Hilliard flow

$$\dot{u} = \Delta \left(\frac{u^3 - u}{\epsilon} - \epsilon \Delta u \right) = \Delta \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_A}{\partial u}$$

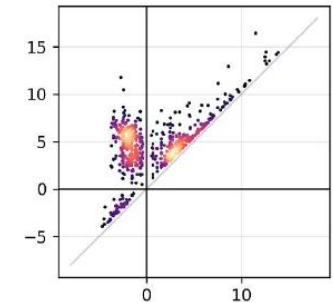
Pytorch + GPU
Adam or L-BFGS

outputs

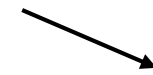
surface



curvature diagram



persistence diagram

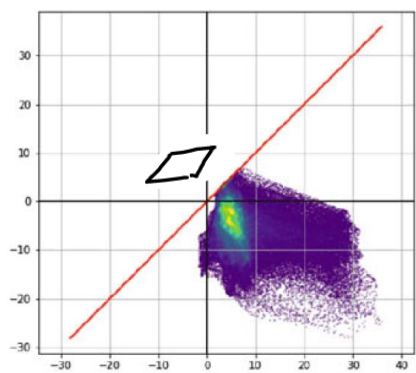
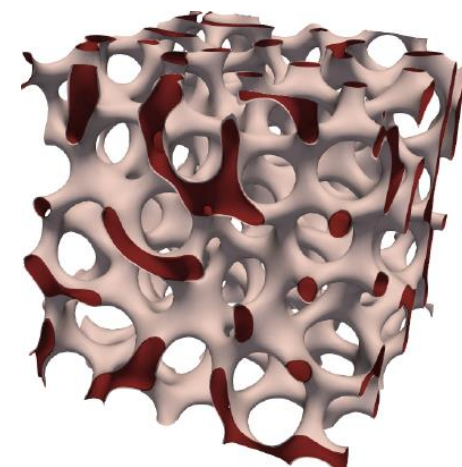
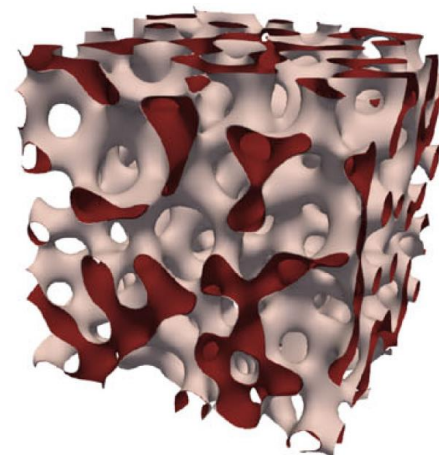
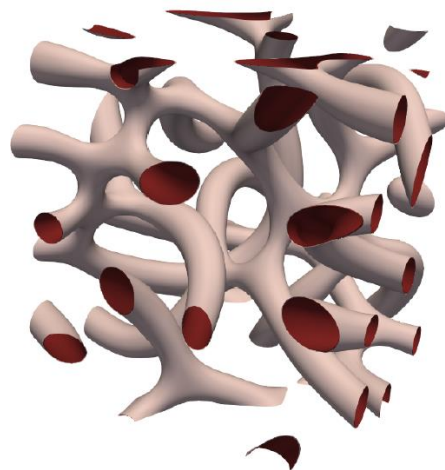
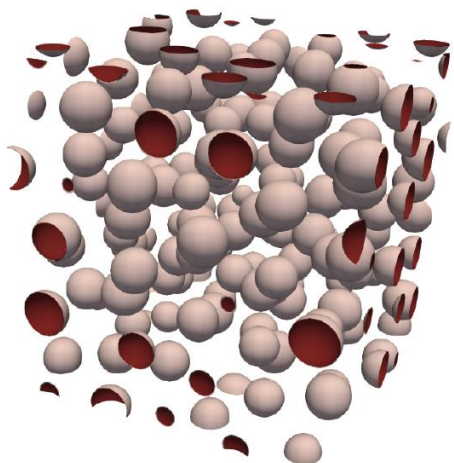
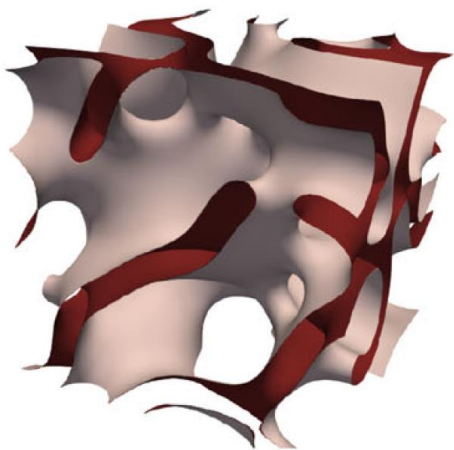


other features...

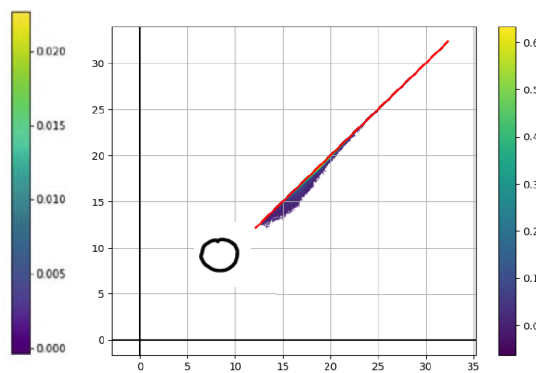
Basic shape textures

Natural form

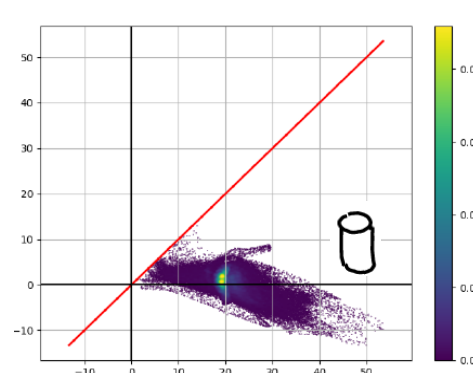
$$h_2(H - H_0)^2 + k_1K + \alpha(\kappa_1 - \kappa_1^0)^2 + \beta(\kappa_2 - \kappa_2^0)^2$$



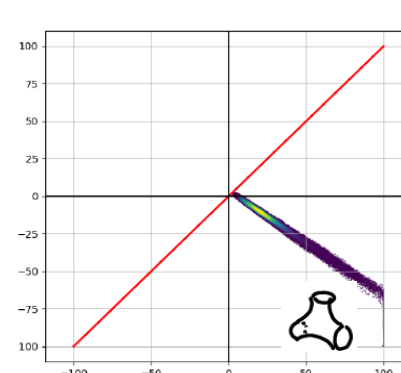
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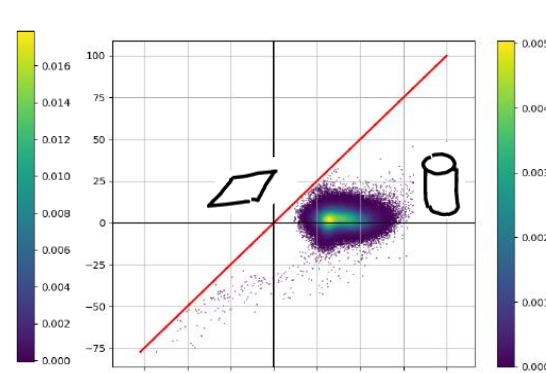
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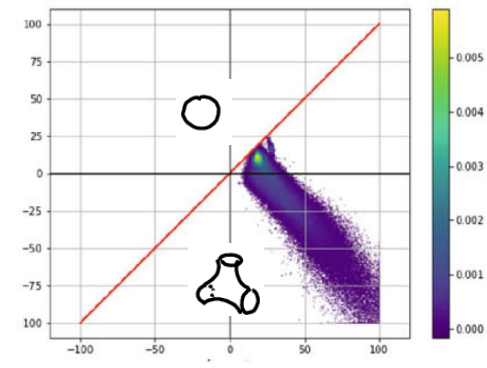
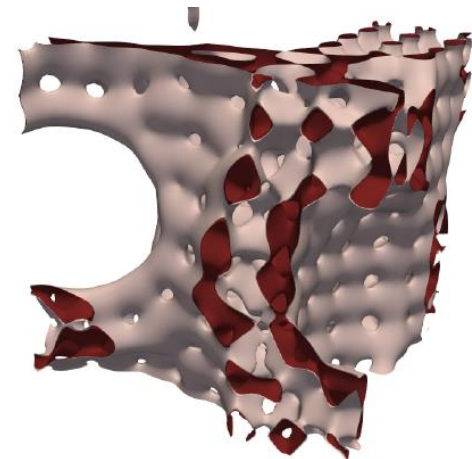
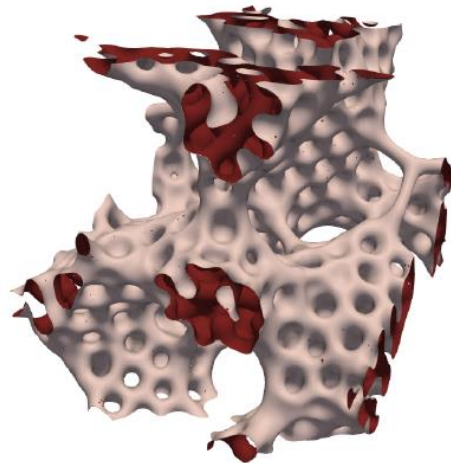
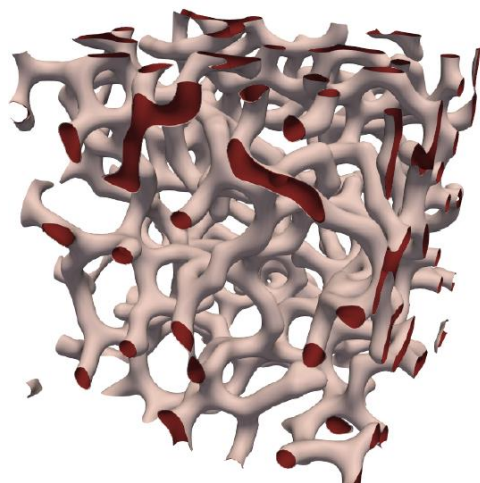
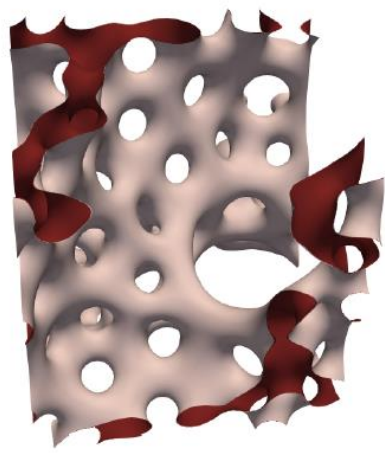
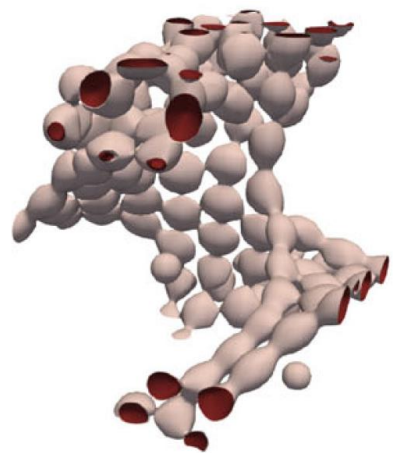


$$(H - 5)^2 + 0.8K + \kappa_2^2$$

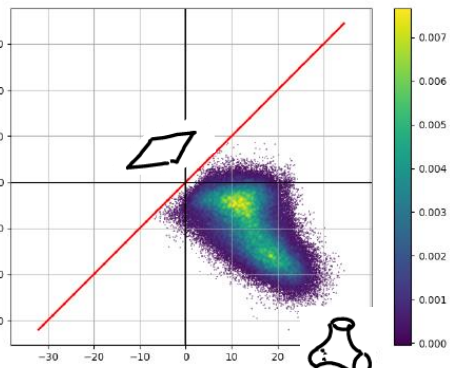


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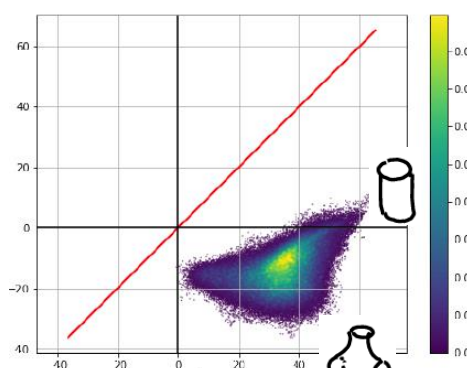
Complex shape textures



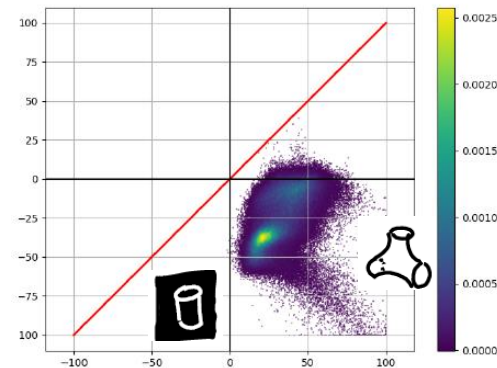
$$(H - 28)^2 + 1.55K$$



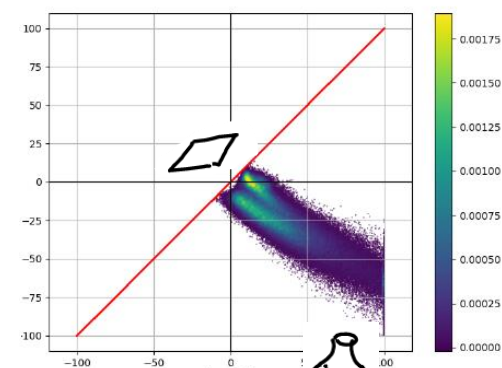
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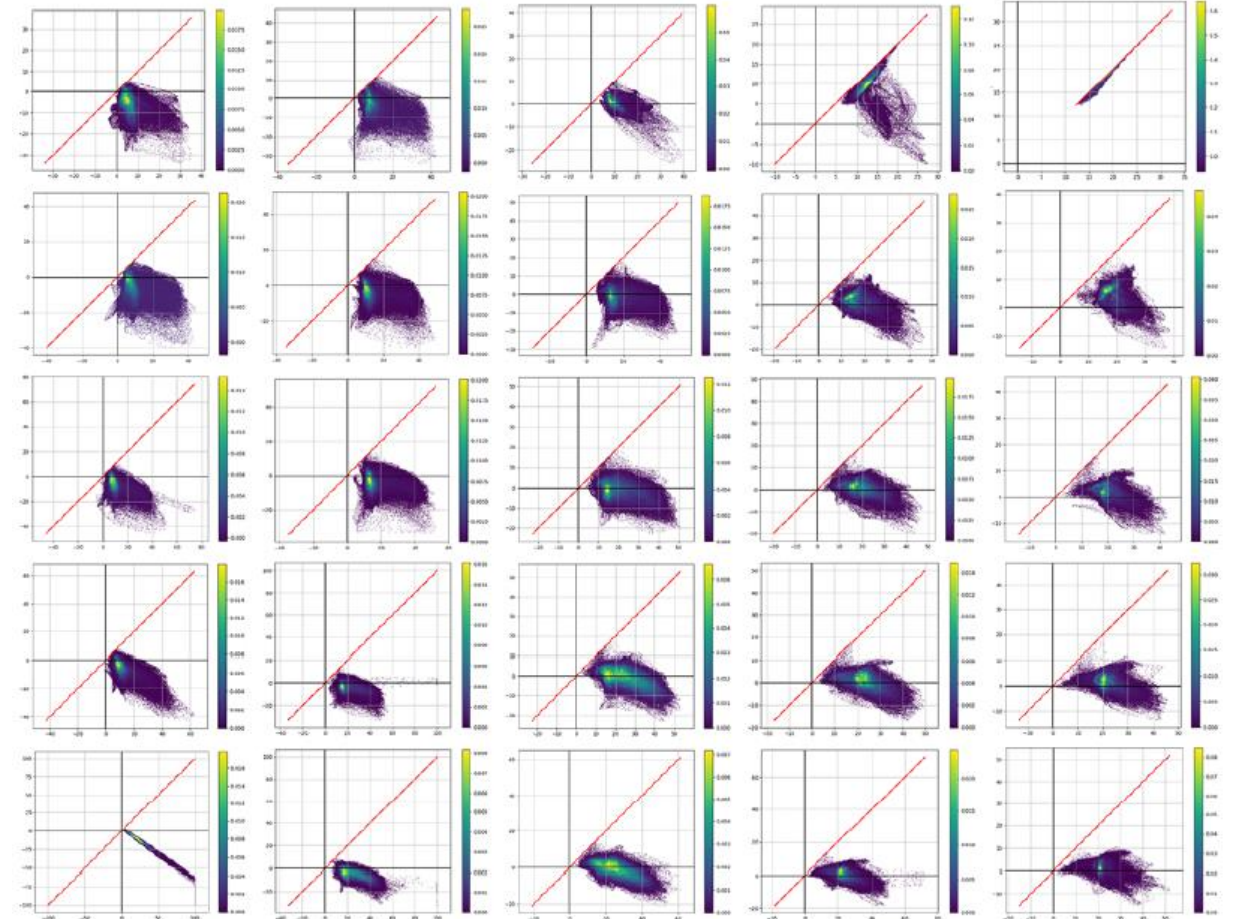
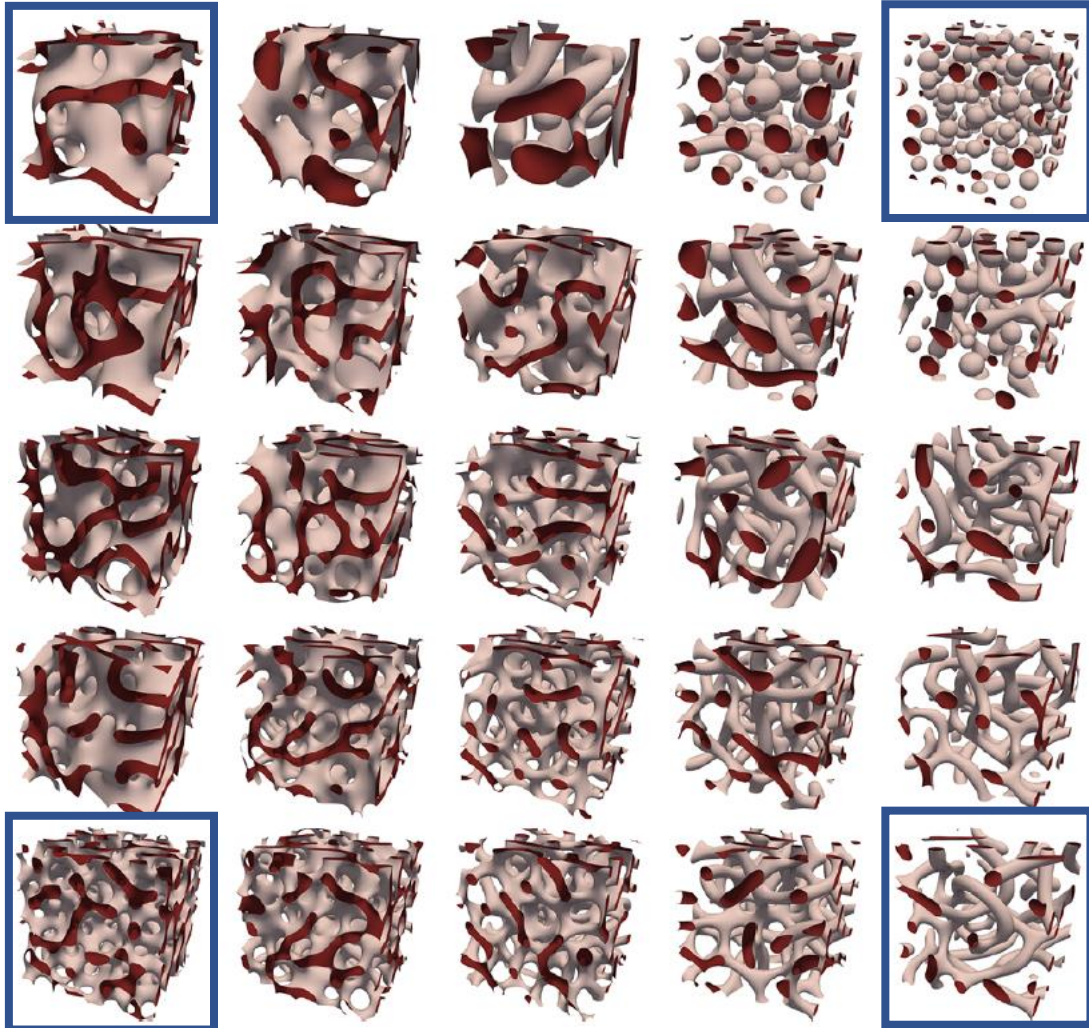


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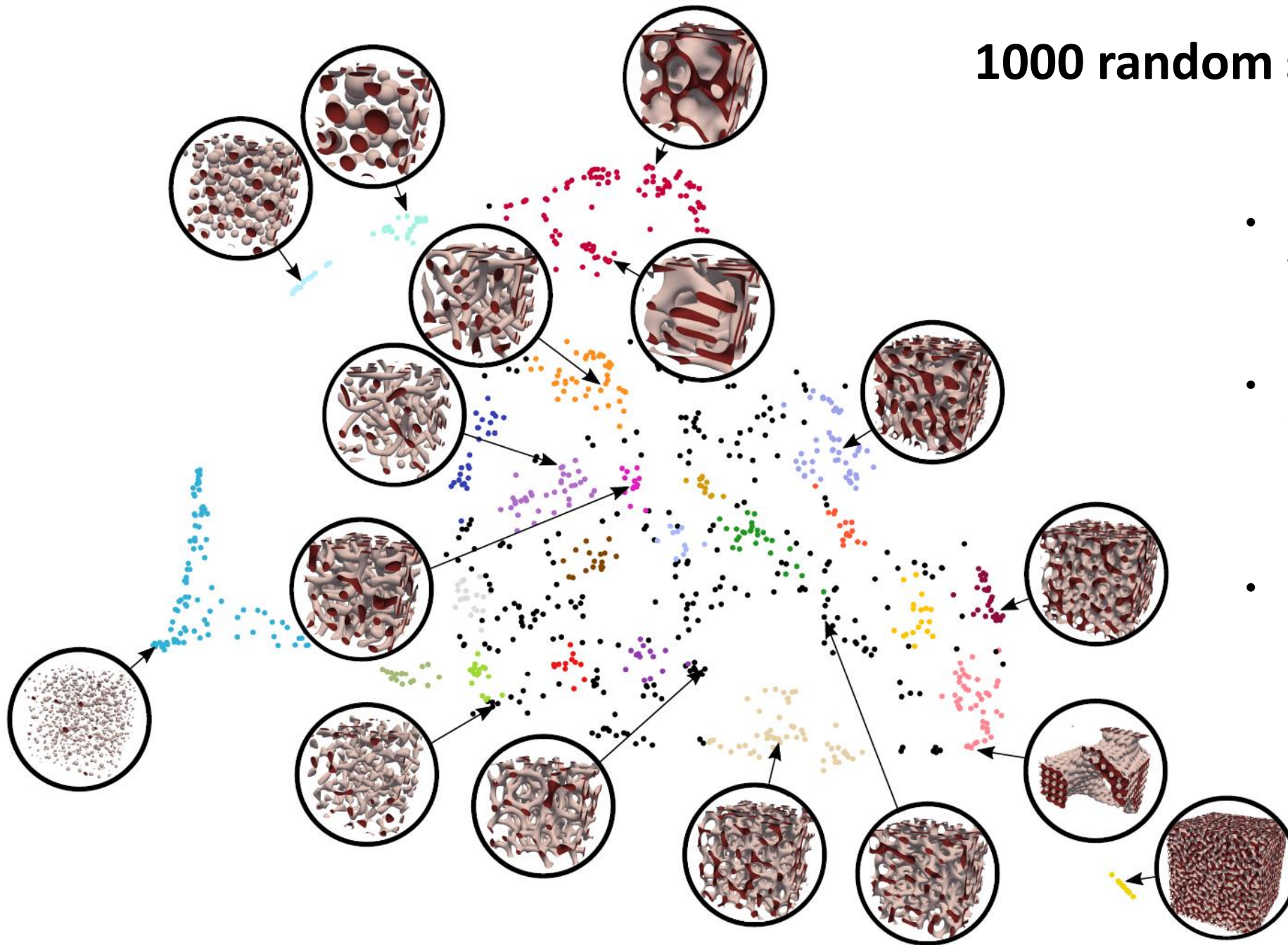
Continuity of shapes and of textures

same initialization
different energies

bilinear interpolation between 4 shape parameters leads to continuum of morphologies

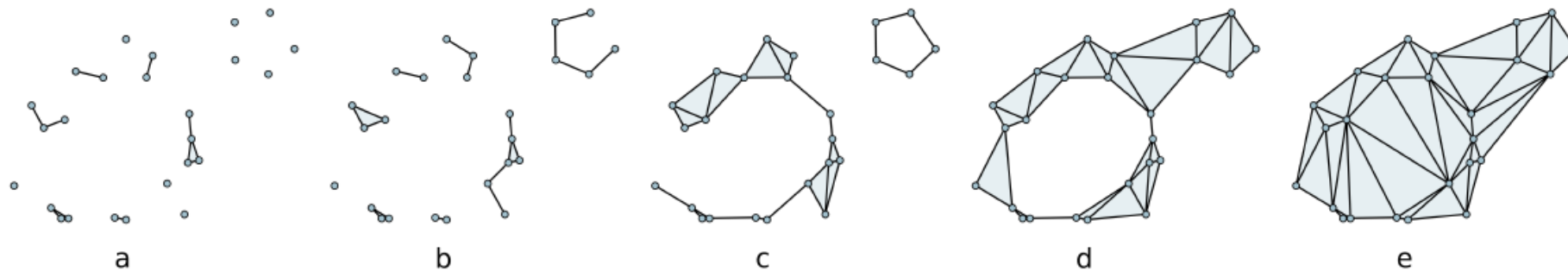


1000 random shapes in UMAP



- randomly chosen coeffs, then accept only “valid” shapes
- compute pairwise Wasserstein distances between curvature diagrams
- embed in 2D using UMAP

II. Signed distance persistent homology (SDPH)

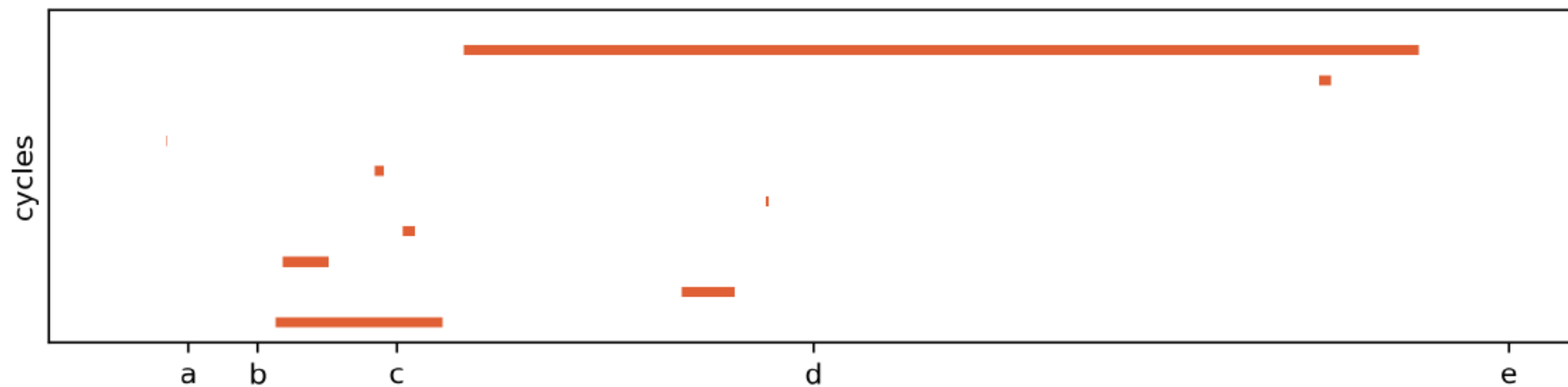


Persistent homology :

- tracks evolution of **topological features**
- summarizes **birth-death** times in barcodes



PH0:
components

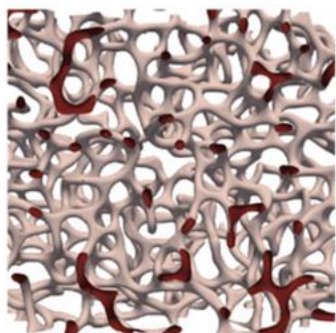


PH1:
cycles

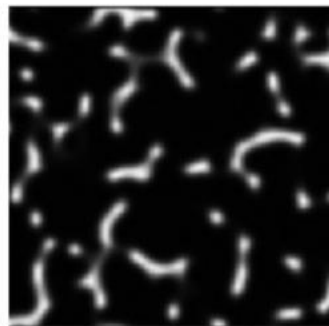
PH2:
cavities

PHk:
k-dim holes

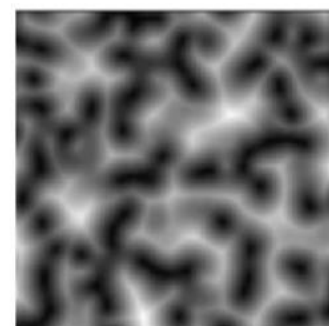
SDPH method



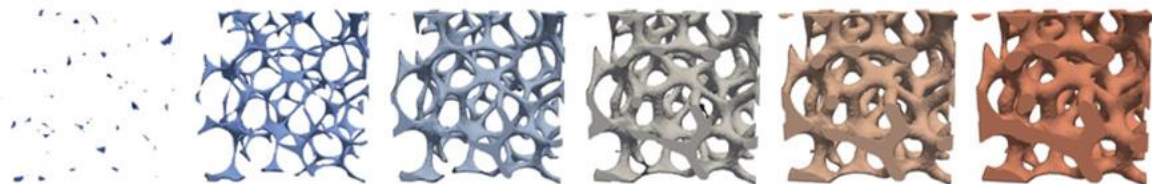
(1) 3D shape



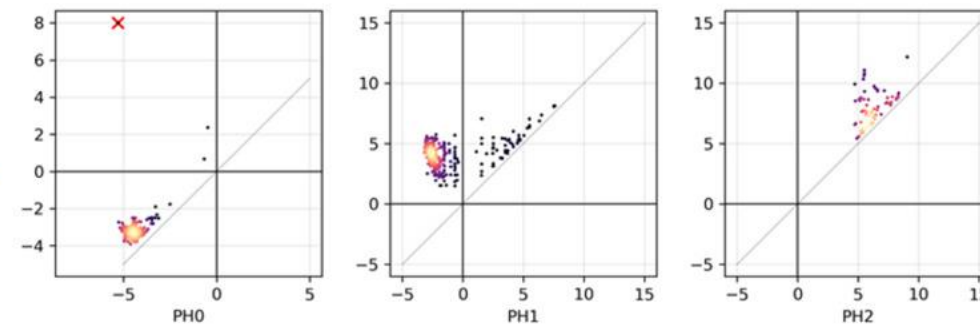
(2) segmentation



(3) signed distance field

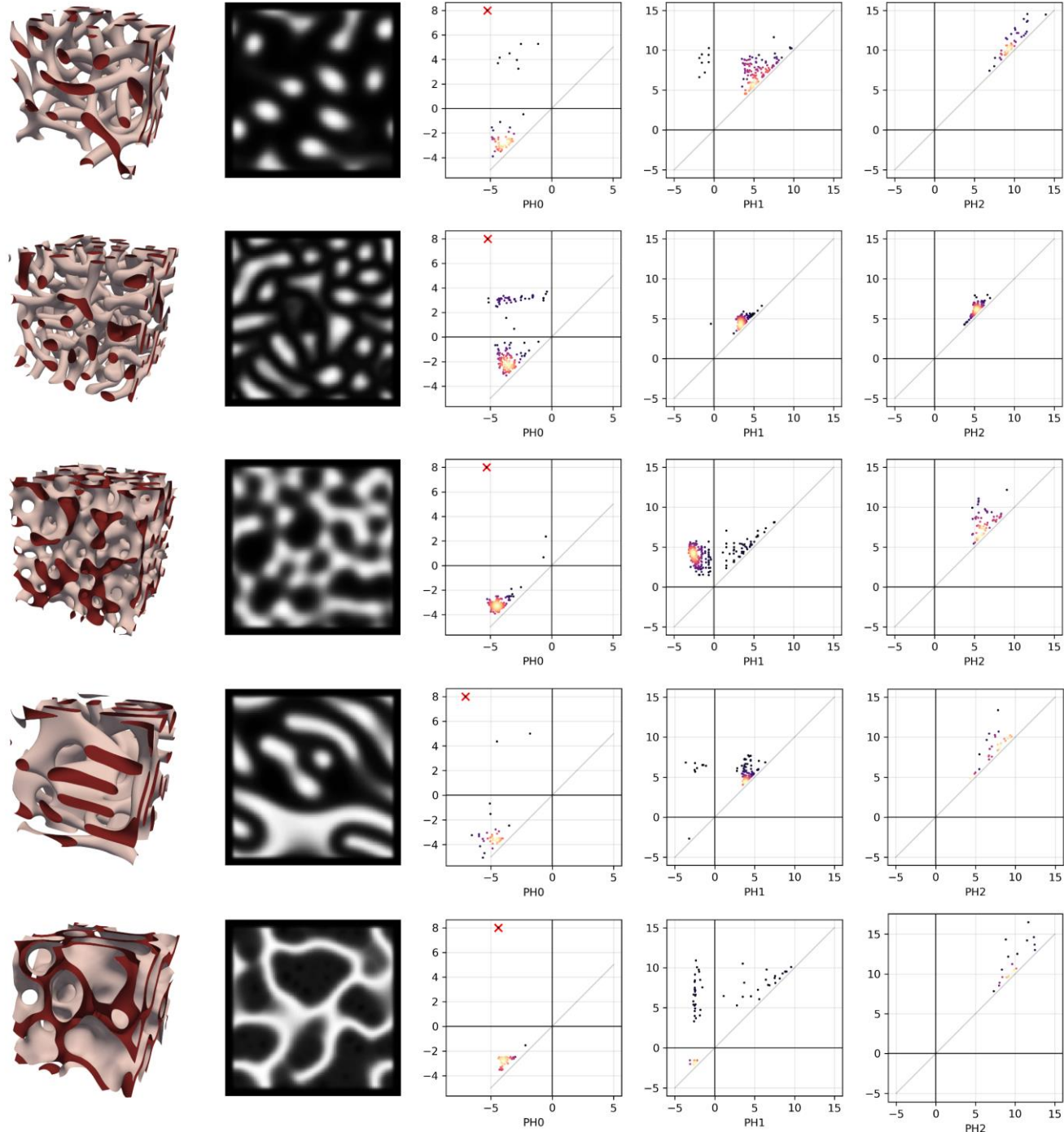


(4) sublevel set filtration

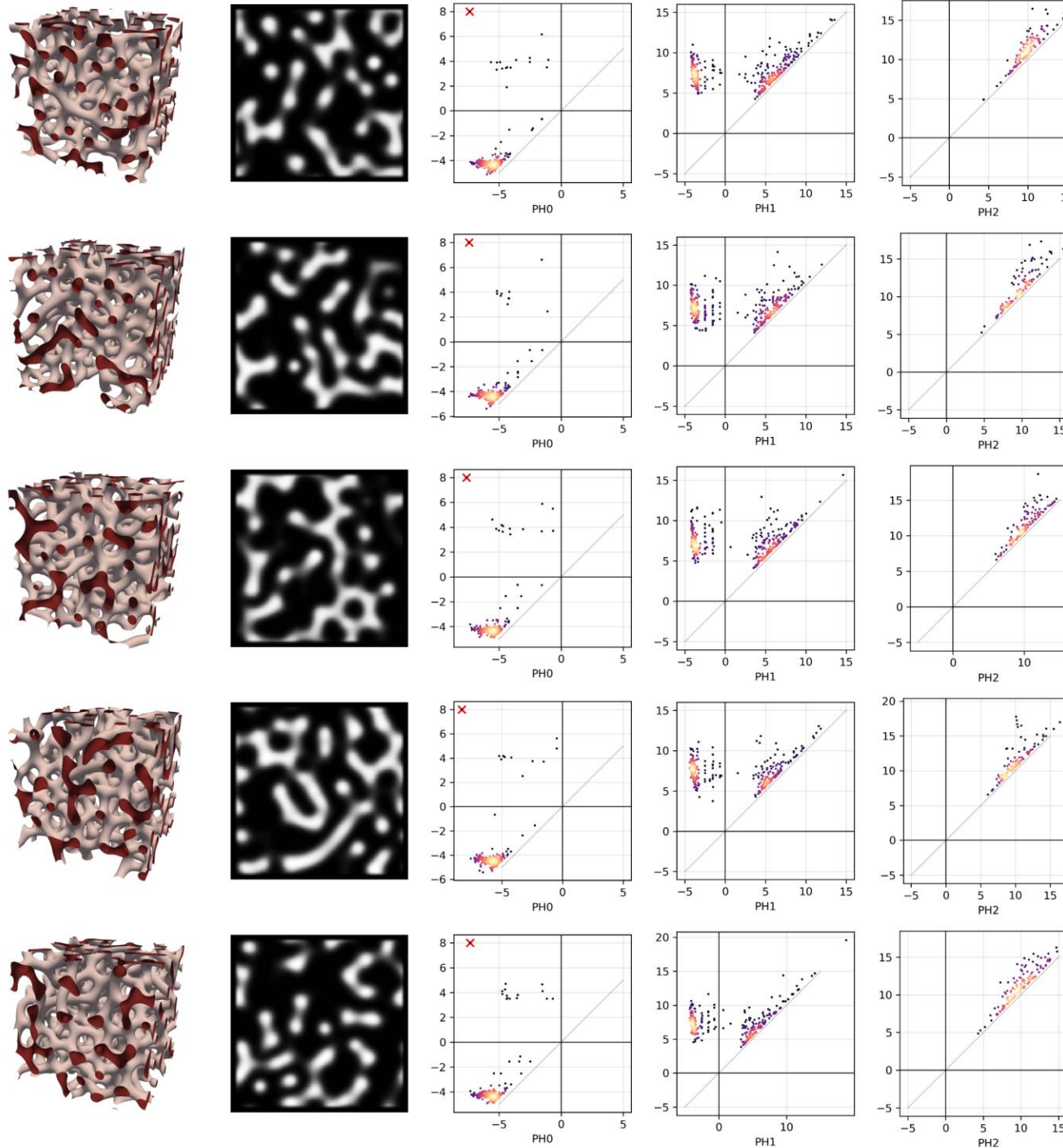


(5) persistence diagrams PH0, PH1, PH2

- five curvatubes shapes
- objective quantification
- SDPH easily discriminates



- same parameters,
different initializations
- SDPH quantifies
texture, does not care
about geometric
realization
- **stability** of SDPH wrt
texture



Theoretical investigation

Generalized Morse Theory of Distance Functions to Surfaces for Persistent Homology
Anna Song, Ka Man Yim, and Anthea Monod (arxiv, 2023)

Setting

SDPH used by (Delgado-Friedrichs *et al.*, 2014, 2015; Herring *et al.*, 2019; Moon *et al.*, 2019; Pritchard *et al.*, 2023) in the discrete cubical setting. Here, we consider distance fields to smooth surfaces.

Let Ω^- be a bounded open set with C^k boundary $\mathcal{S} = \partial\Omega^-$, $k \geq 2$. Then

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \Omega^- \sqcup \mathcal{S} \sqcup \Omega^+.$$

Define $d = \text{dist}(\cdot, \Omega^-) - \text{dist}(\cdot, \Omega^+)$.

Consider the sublevel set filtration X_\bullet where

$$X_t = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid d(x) \leq t\}.$$

Compute the persistence diagrams

$$\text{PH}(d) : \forall s \leq t, \quad H(X_s) \rightarrow H(X_t).$$

General aims

Are SDPH diagrams **well-defined**?

How to **interpret** SDPH diagrams?

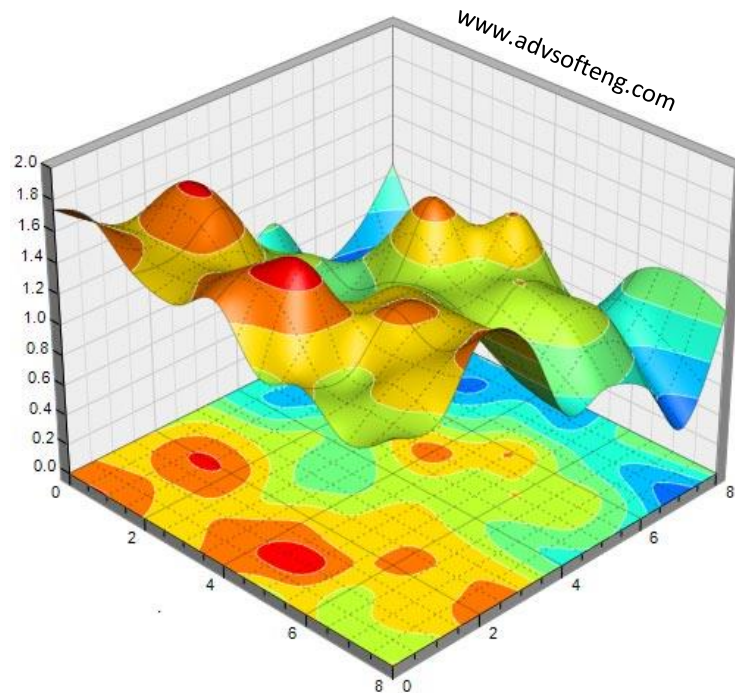
What do they **quantify** in shapes?

notion of **critical points**

Smooth Morse theory and PH

Morse theory studies **non-degenerate critical points** of smooth functions, at which

$$f \underset{\text{diffeo}}{\sim} \text{cst} - \sum_{i=1}^{\lambda} x_i^2 + \sum_{i=\lambda+1}^n x_i^2.$$



local min
index 0



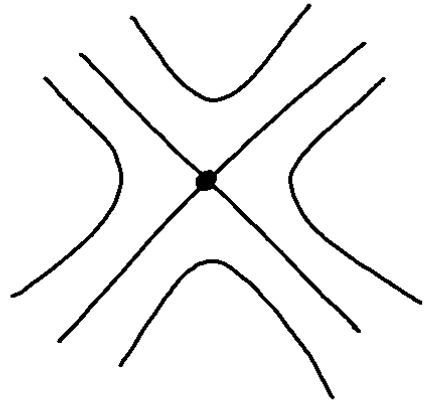
saddle point
index 1



local max
index 2

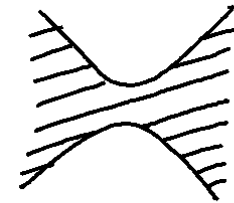
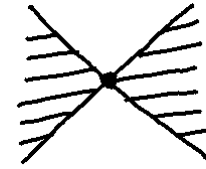
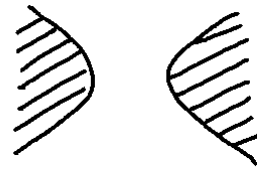
Morse theory relates a smooth proper Morse function f to $\text{PH}(f)$ through the **isotopy lemma** and **handle attachment lemma**. Typically, births and deaths in $\text{PH}_k(f)$ pair **critical points** with indices $(k, k + 1)$.

levels around NDG point



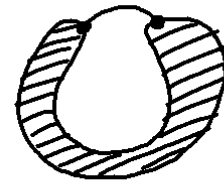
$\lambda=1$

sublevel sets



cross critical value \Leftrightarrow attach λ -dim handle

- either creates a λ -dim class
- or kills a $(\lambda-1)$ -dim class



birth in PH_1

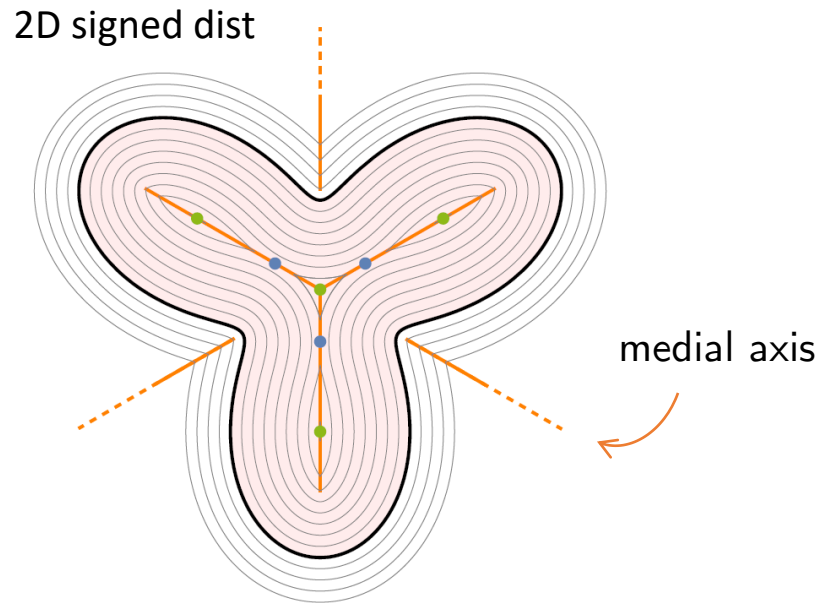
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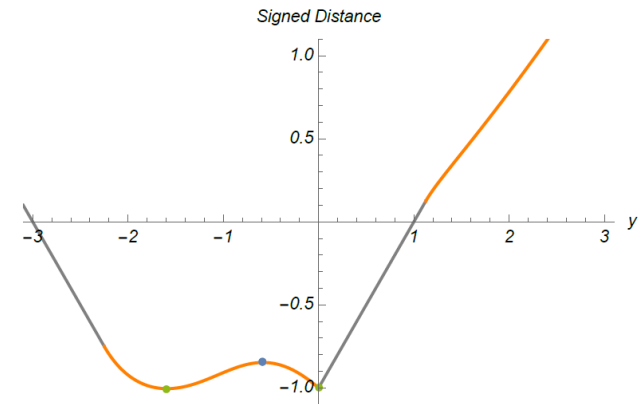
death in PH_0

Problem

However, distance functions generated by smooth boundaries \mathcal{S} **are not smooth**, especially on the medial axis $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{S}}$.



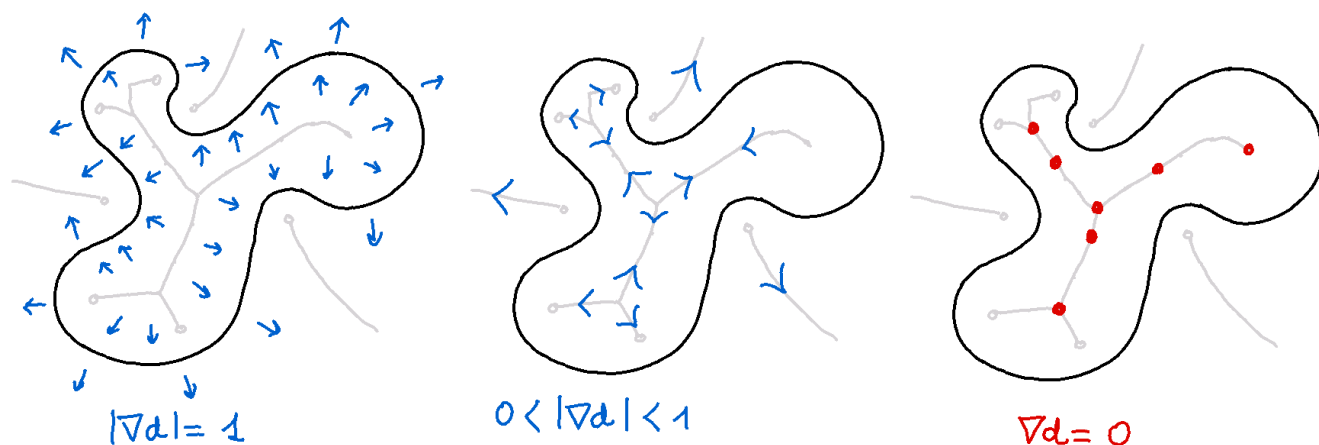
nonsmooth profile on vertical axis



Contribution: Morse theory for (signed) distance functions

Critical points

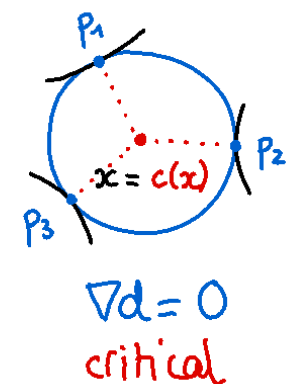
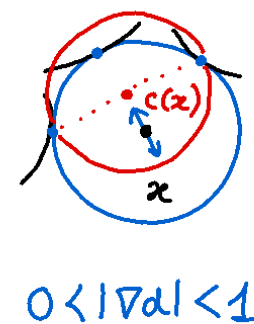
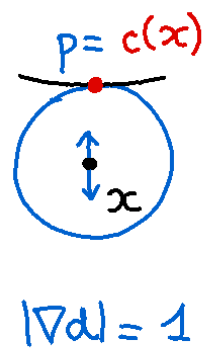
Nonetheless, **critical points** can be defined for distance fields too (Grove & Shiohama, 1977; Cheeger, 1991; Grove, 1993; Lieutier, 2003), as points where an **extended gradient field** vanishes.



Definition

A point $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathcal{S}$ is critical for the signed distance d if $\nabla d(x) = 0$. Equivalently,

- $x = c(x)$, or
- $x \in \text{Conv}(\{p_1, \dots, p_k\})$



Contributions: generalized Morse lemmas

Theorem (Isotopy lemma for signed distance)

Let $a < b$ in \mathbb{R} . Suppose that $d^{-1}[a, b]$ contains no critical point of d (it is compact). Then $d^{-1}(-\infty, a]$ is a deformation retract of $d^{-1}(-\infty, b]$, and therefore they are homotopy-equivalent.

Apply (Grove, 1993, Proposition 1.8)

Theorem (Handle attachment lemma for signed distance)

At a Min-type NDG critical point $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathcal{S}$ with index λ and value $d(x) = c$, if the interlevel set $d^{-1}[c - \epsilon, c + \epsilon]$ contains no other critical point for some $\epsilon > 0$, then

$$d^{-1}(-\infty, c + \epsilon] \simeq d^{-1}(-\infty, c - \epsilon] \cup e^\lambda.$$

C^k Min-type theory (Gershkovich & Rubinstein, 1997) defines NDG points and gives topological normal form for distance functions **under suitable geometric conditions**

Smooth Morse theory can be **generalized to Topological Morse theory**

Contributions: genericity and classification

Theorem (Genericity)

For generic embeddings of a C^k -smooth ($k \geq 3$) closed orientable surface into \mathbb{R}^3 , the induced signed distance d admits only a finite number of critical points, that are all non-degenerate.

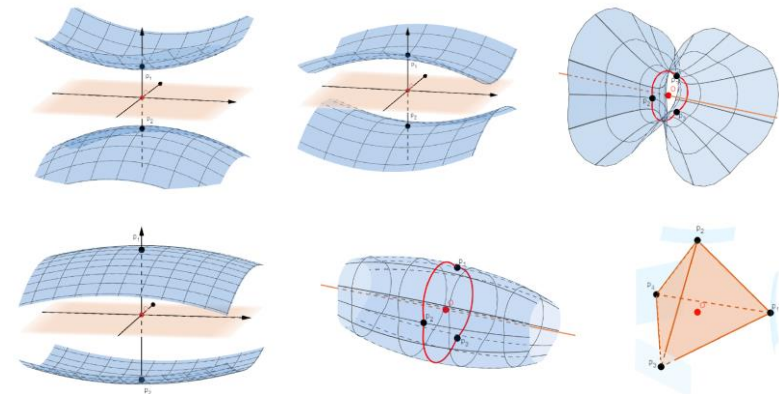
use transversality theory...

Corollary (SDPH)

For generic 3D shapes, the SDPH module PH_k can be decomposed into a finite sum of $\{[b_i, d_i)\}$ intervals pairing NDG points with indices $(k, k + 1)$.

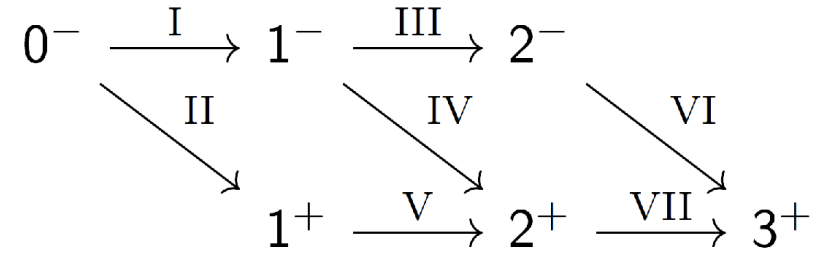
	$\lambda = 0$	$\lambda = 1$	$\lambda = 2$	$\lambda = 3$
$d < 0$	type 0⁻ 3 subtypes	type 1⁻ 2 subtypes	type 2⁻ 1 subtype	—
$d > 0$	—	type 1⁺ 1 subtype	type 2⁺ 2 subtypes	type 3⁺ 3 subtypes

Table: Classification of NDG critical points of d in dimension 3.



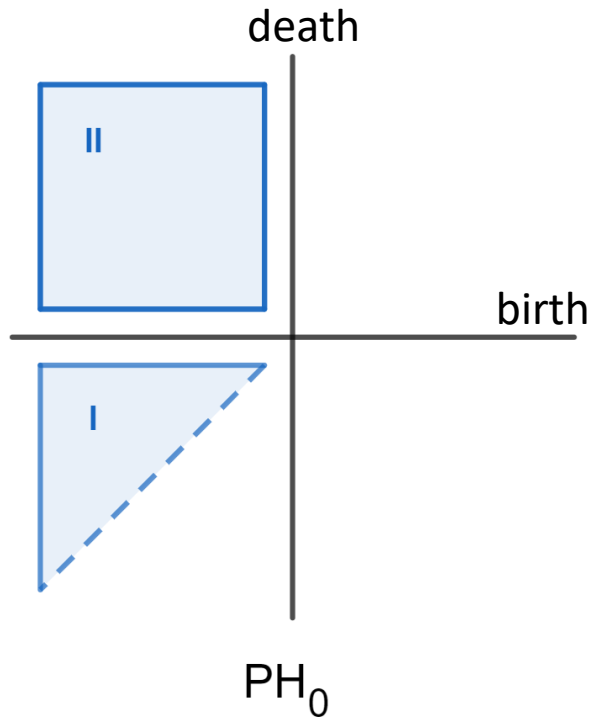
(subtypes)

SDPH diagrams in theory

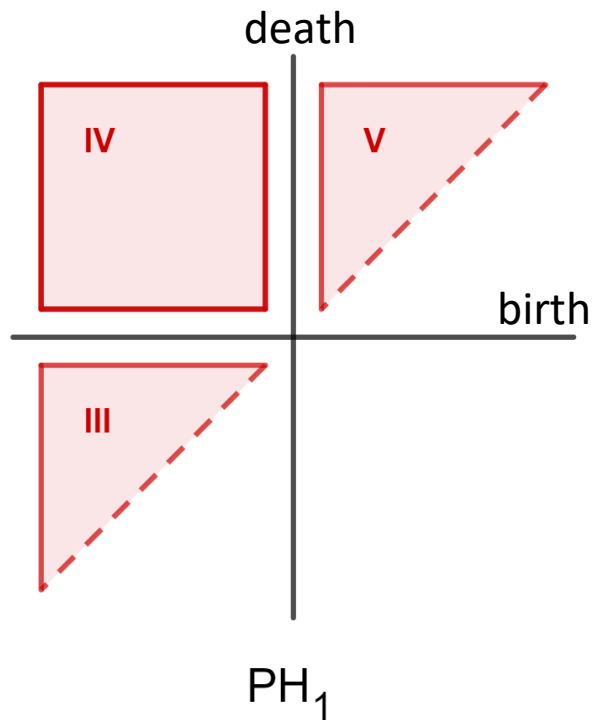


birth/death of components

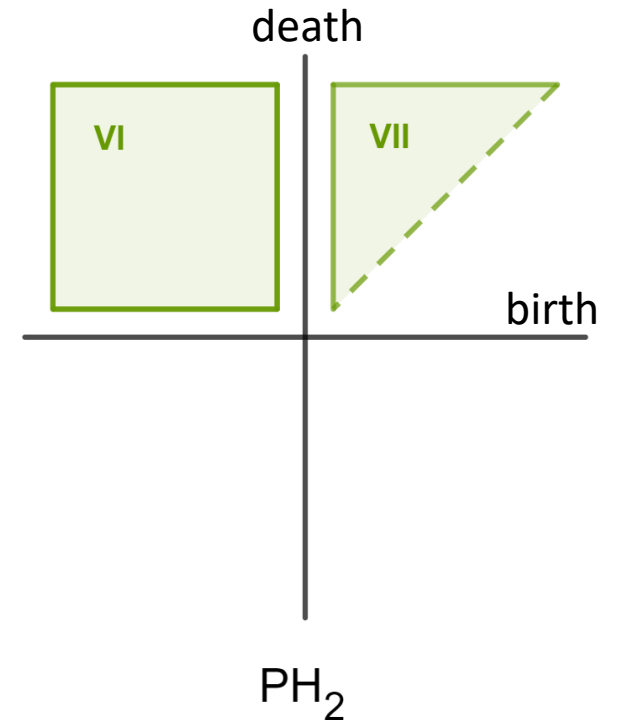
● ∞



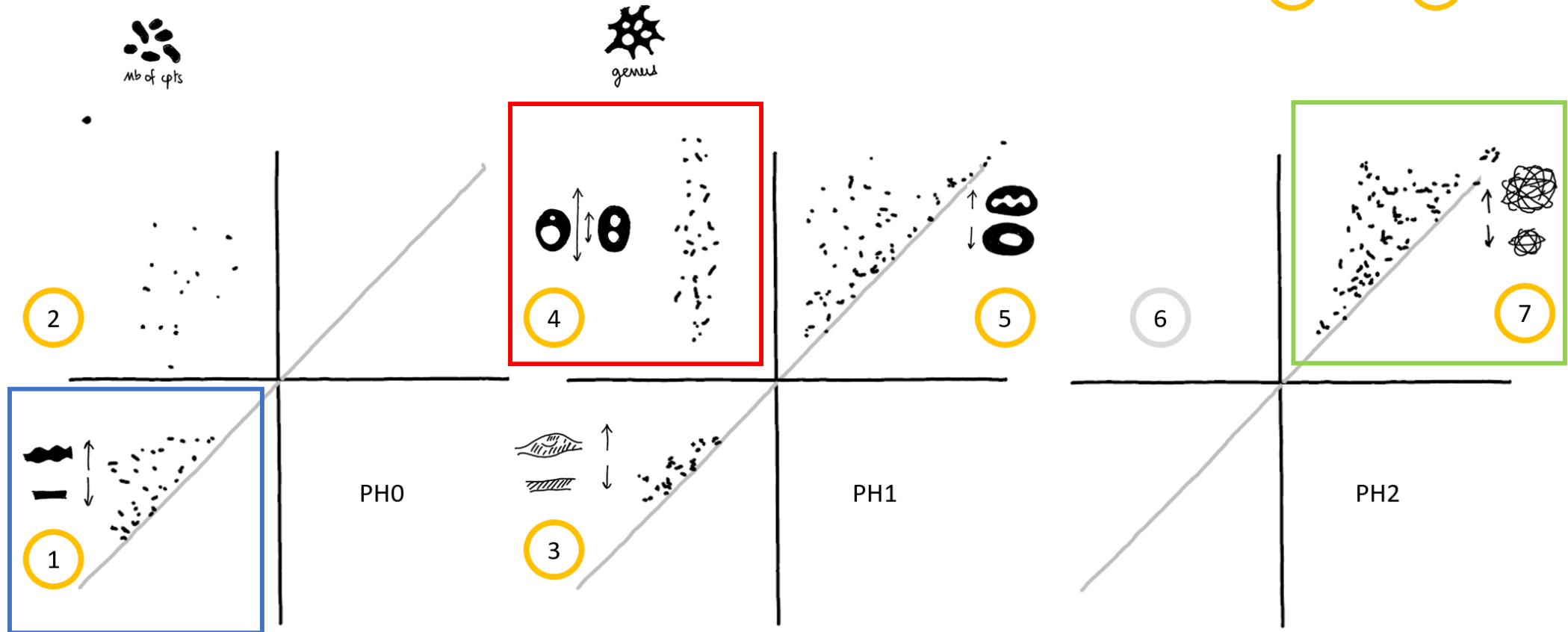
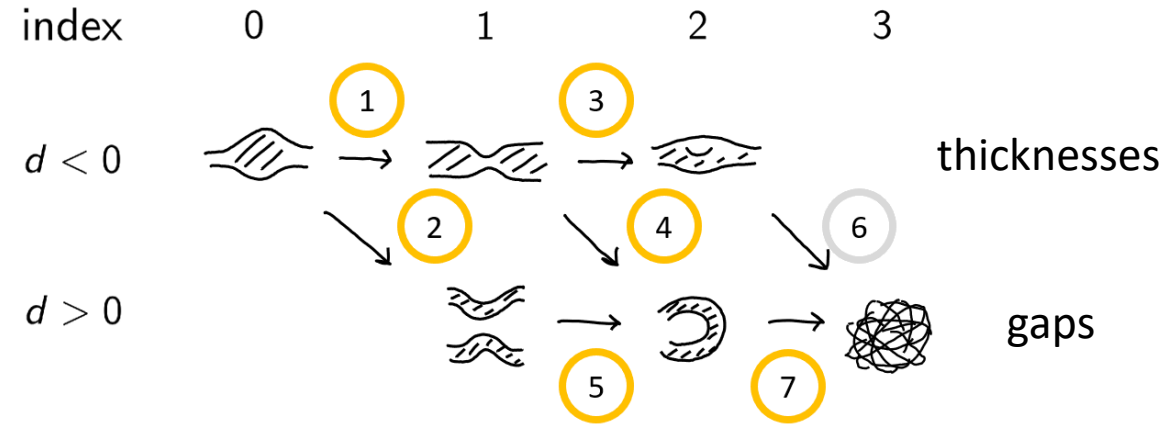
birth/death of loops



birth/death of cavities



SDPH diagrams in practice

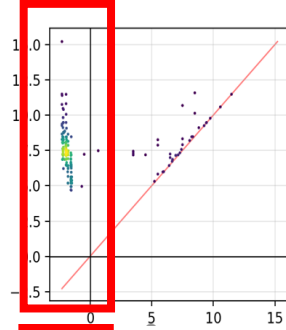
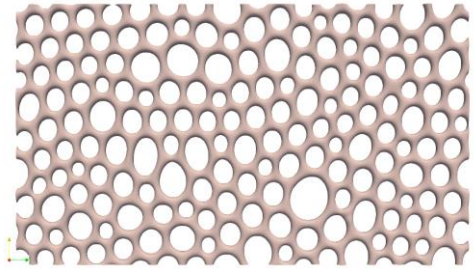


Take-home message

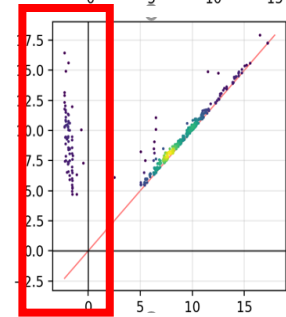
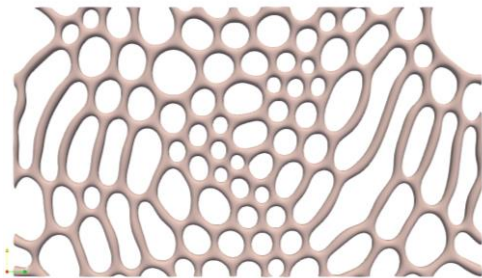
Persistent homology describes shapes by **pairing critical points**.

- one (b,d) point in SDPH diagram = two critical points in the shape
 - a critical point is either a creator / destroyer of a topological feature
 - each critical point carries a value: a **critical size**
 - no need to measure thicknesses and interspaces by hand! no annotation!
 - long-lived features are more significant
- > SDPH diagrams quantify the **texture of shapes**

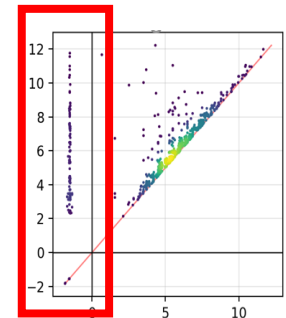
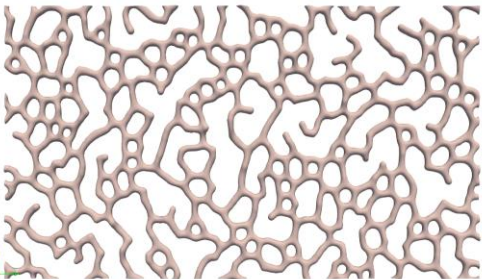
Examples



PH1



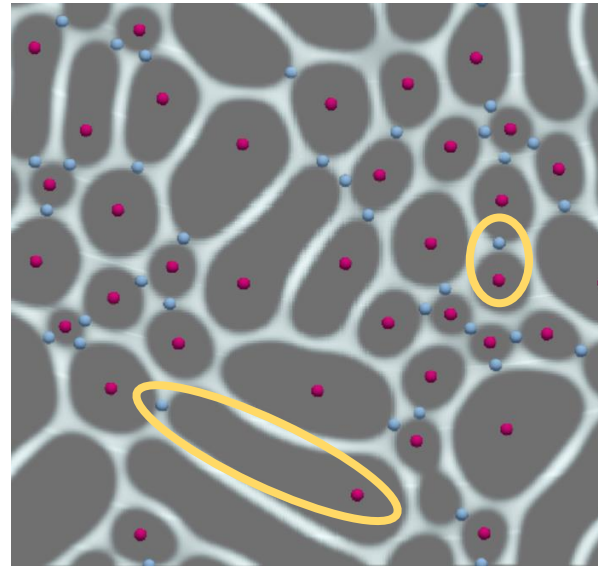
PH1



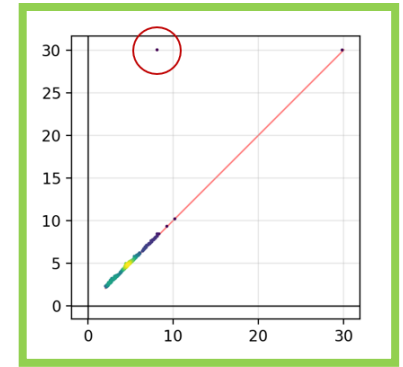
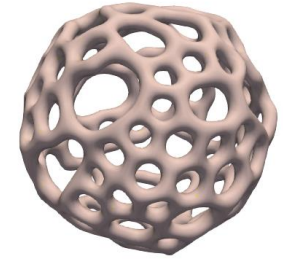
PH1

Increasing loop heterogeneity induces larger spread in PH1 NW.

pairs



Creator-destroyer critical points (blue-red).

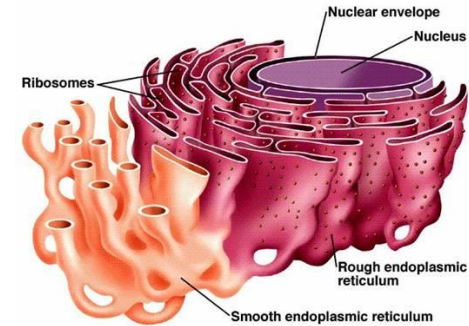
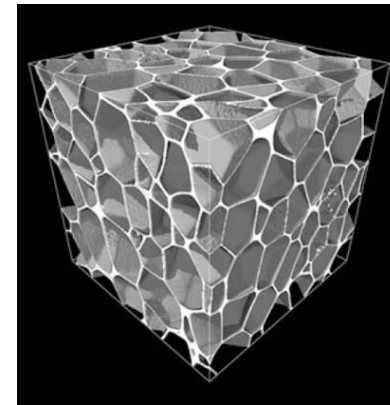
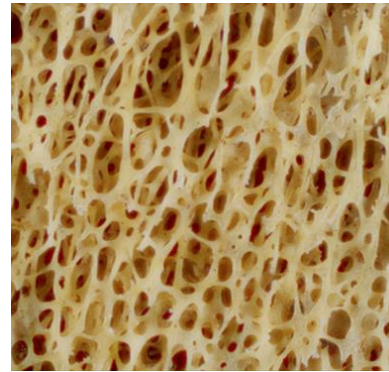
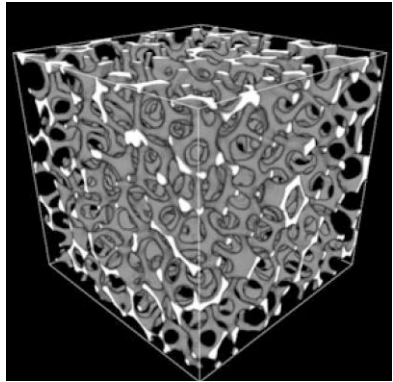
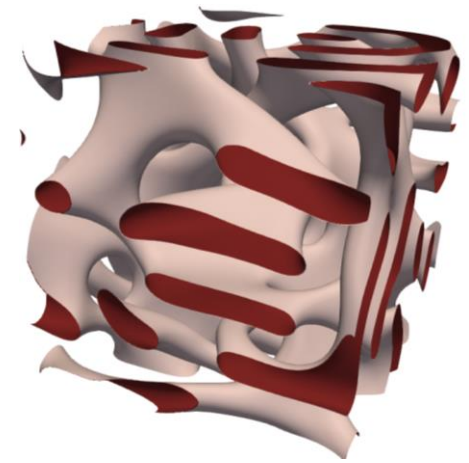
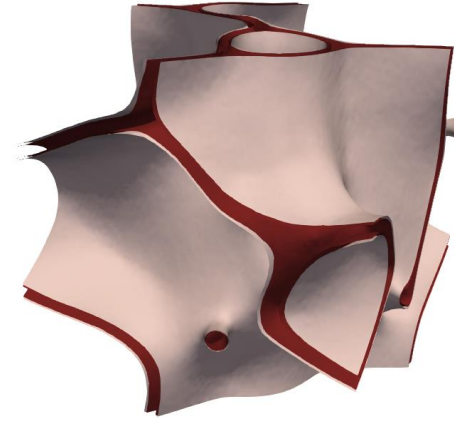
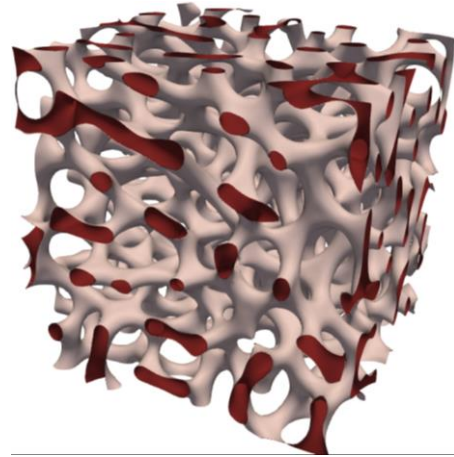
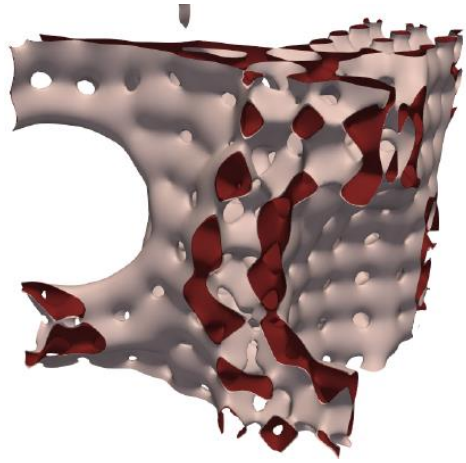
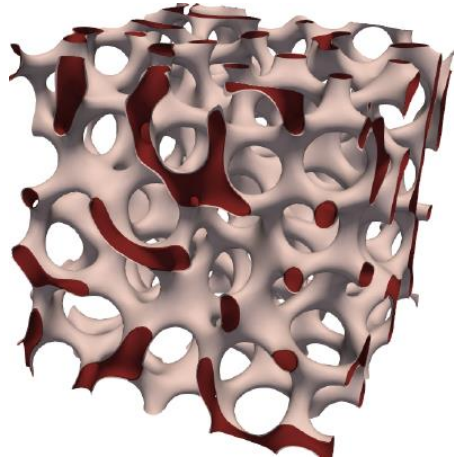


PH2

PH2 NE measures bubble interspaces.

By pairing (creator – destroyer) critical points, SDPH quantifies the **texture of shapes**.

III. Applications to biology and materials science



μ CT image of open aluminium foam

lamina cribrosa behind the eye

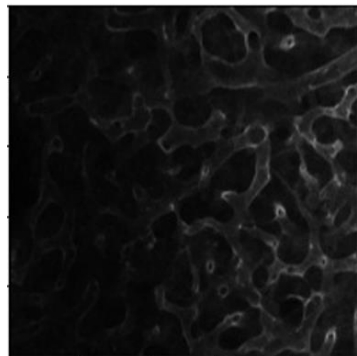
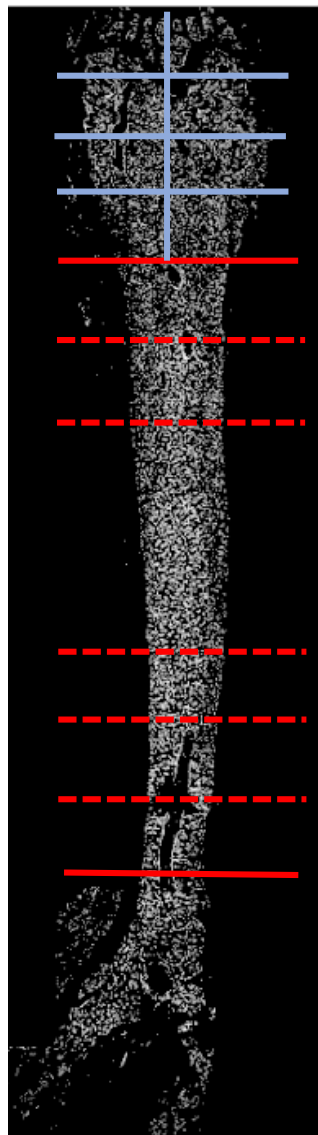
trabecular bone

μ CT image of closed polymer foam

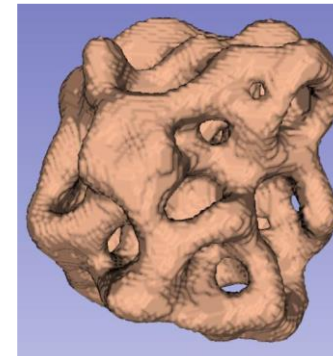
endoplasmic reticulum

3D data (slices)
300 GB

Application: leukaemia in bone marrow vessels

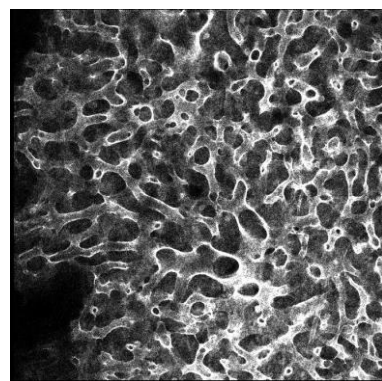


Niblack local thresholding

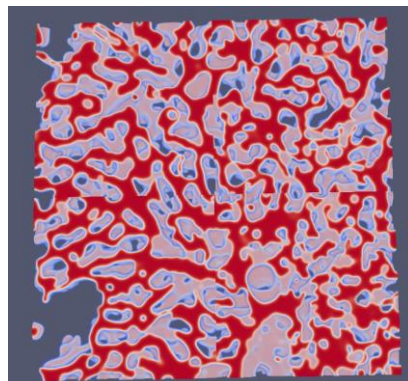


Willmore 3D reconstruction

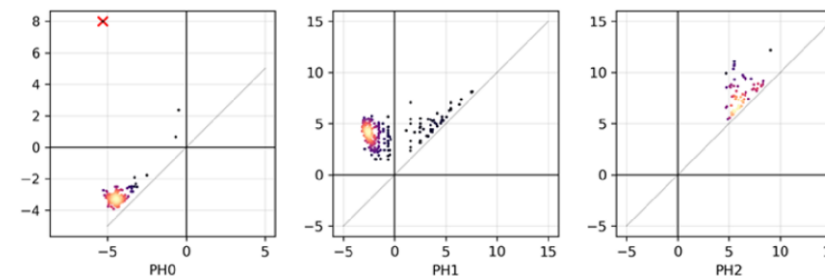
$$E = \text{Reg} + \text{Fid}$$



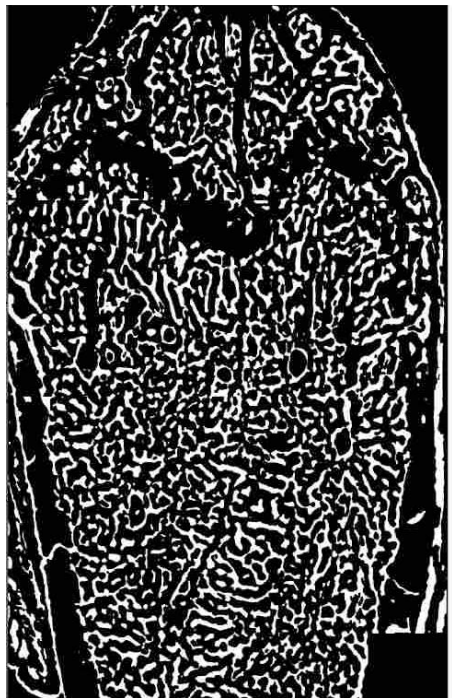
original data



3D segmented data



Vessels at three stages



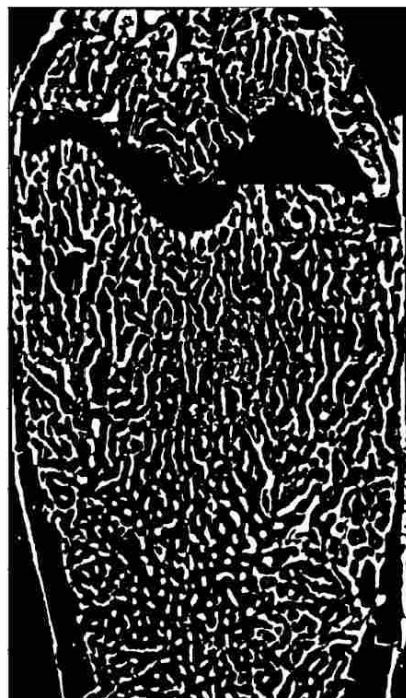
CTRL

CTRL at 0%



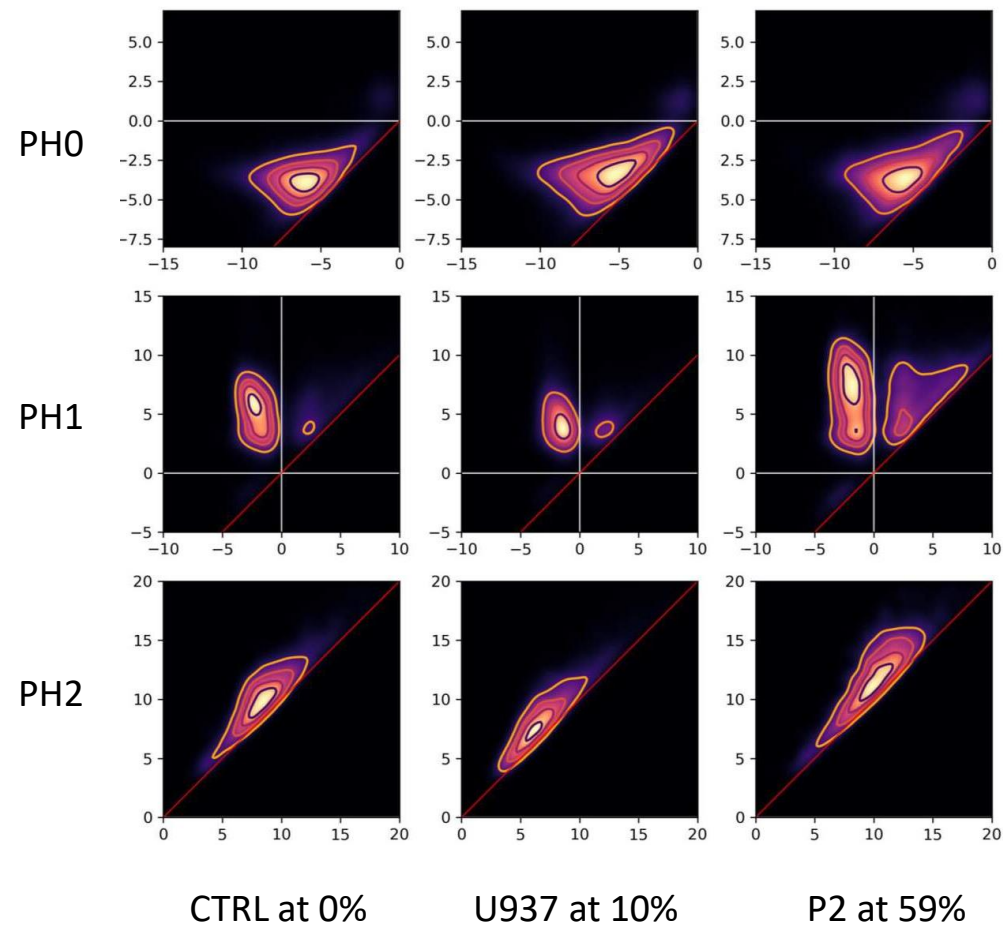
Early

U937 at 10%

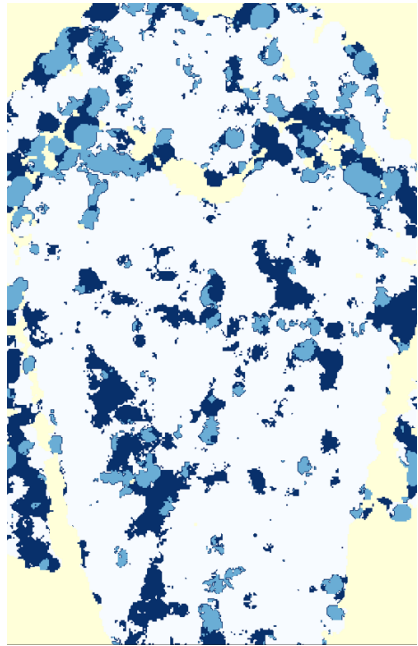
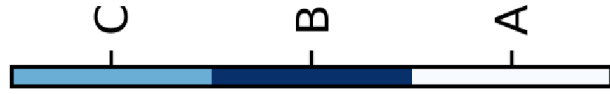


Late

P2 at 59%

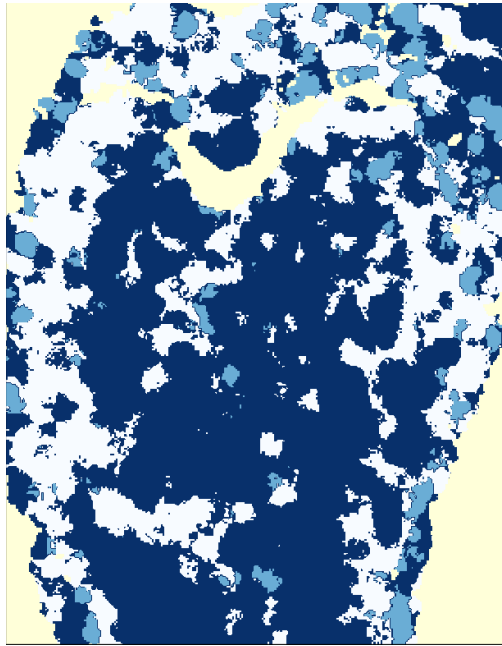


Spatial texture decomposition



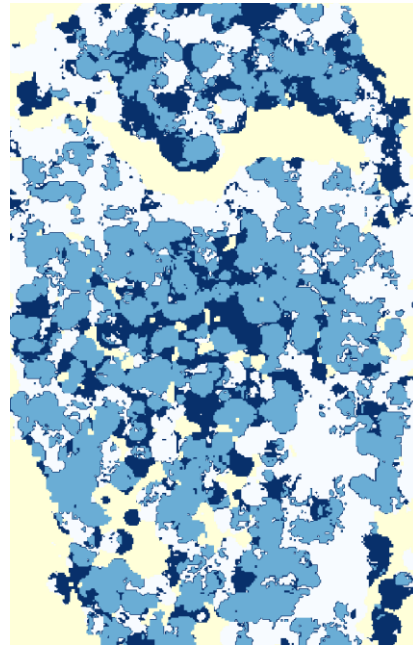
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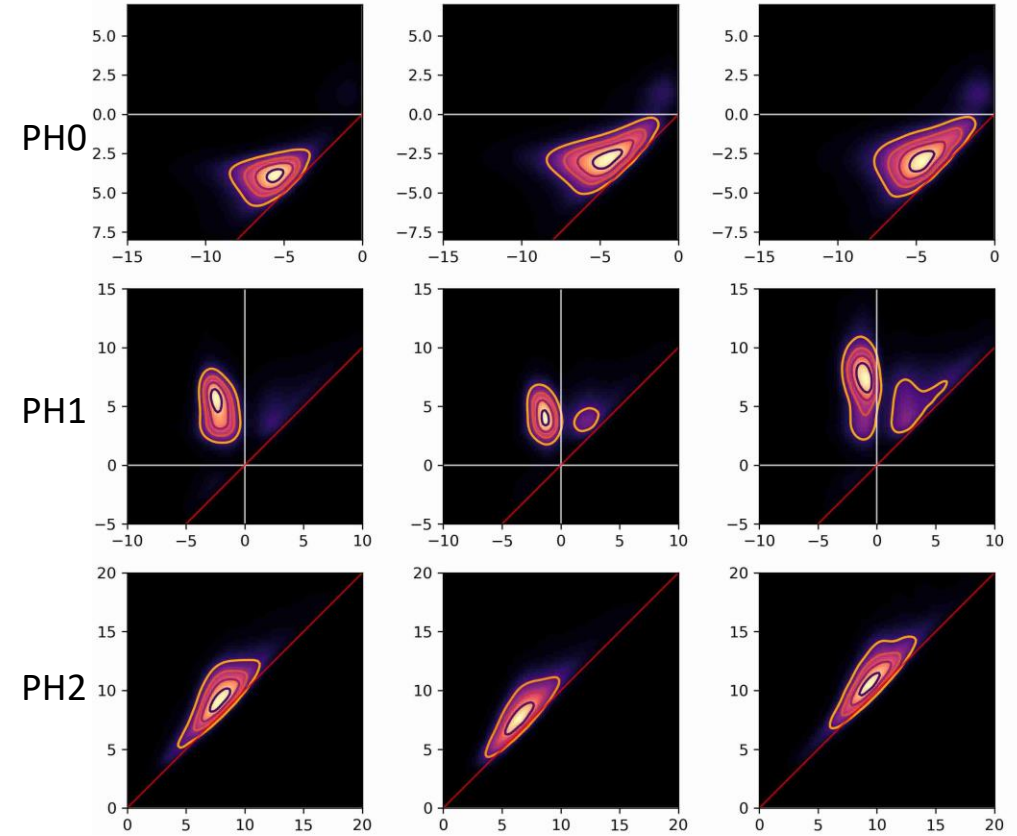
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P2 at 59%



Texture A

Texture B

Texture C

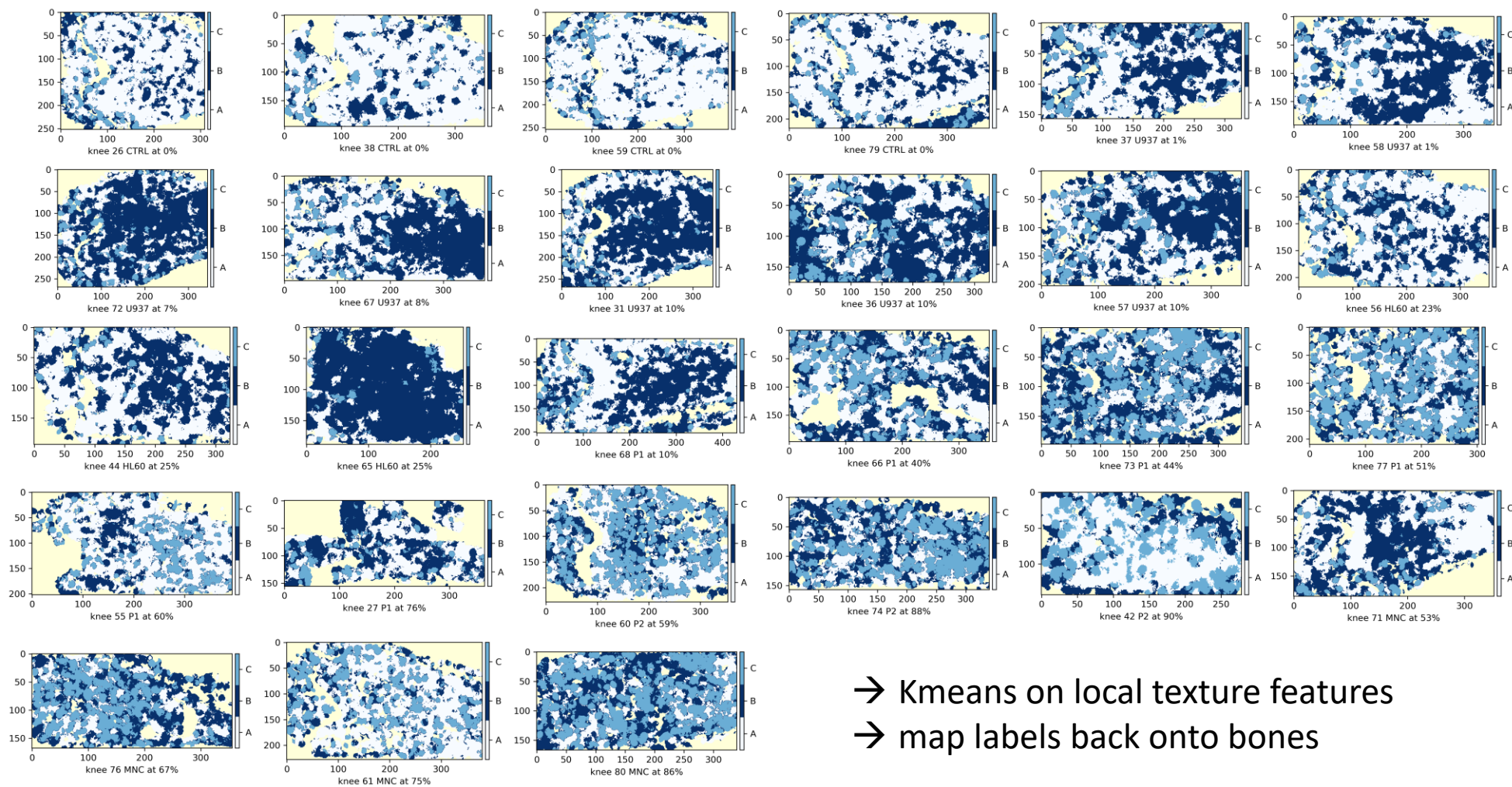
B v.s. A

- angiogenesis
- thin vessels
- small loops
- dense network

C v.s. A

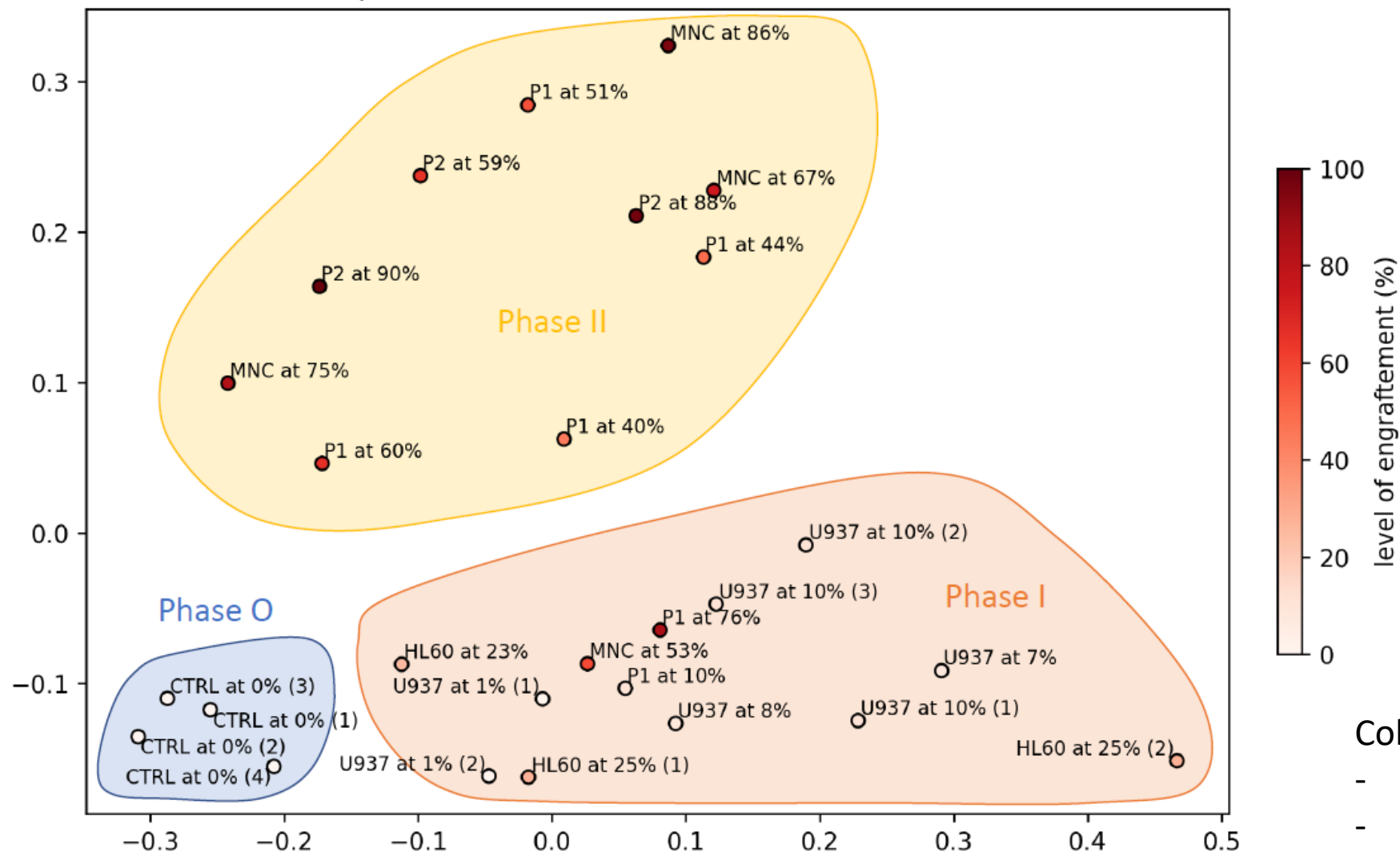
- thin vessels
- heterogeneous loop sizes
- sparser network

Spatial texture decomposition



→ Kmeans on local texture features
→ map labels back onto bones

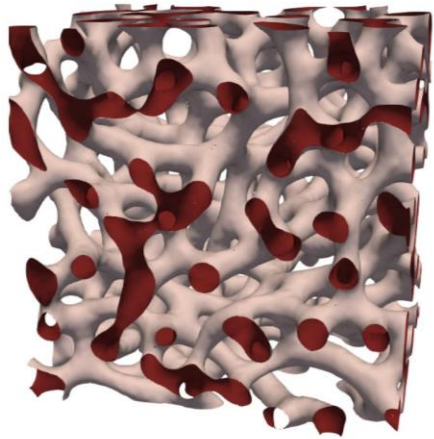
Cluster composition in knee with 3 clusters - PCA first two modes



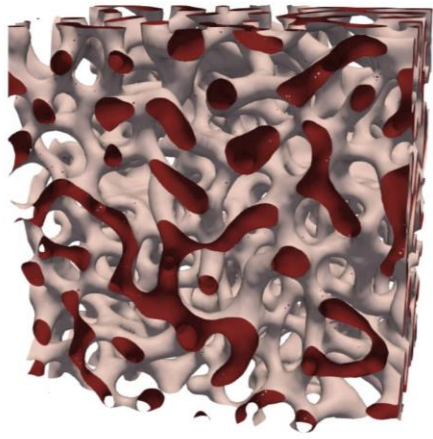
Evolution in three phases : Phases O, I, II
Dominant Textures A, B, C

- Cohort:
- 4 CTRL (0%)
 - 4 MNC (53%-86%)
 - 7 U937 (1%-10%)
 - 3 HL60 (23%-25%)
 - 6 P1 (10%-76%)
 - 3 P2 (59%-90%)

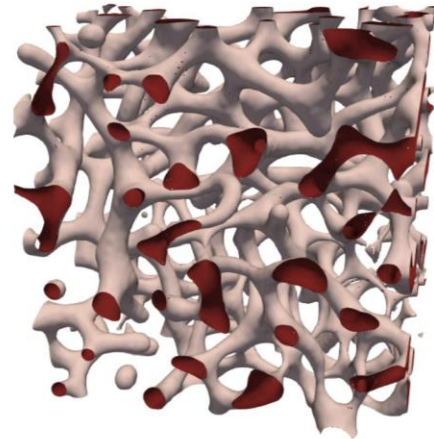
Emulating real textures with curvatubes



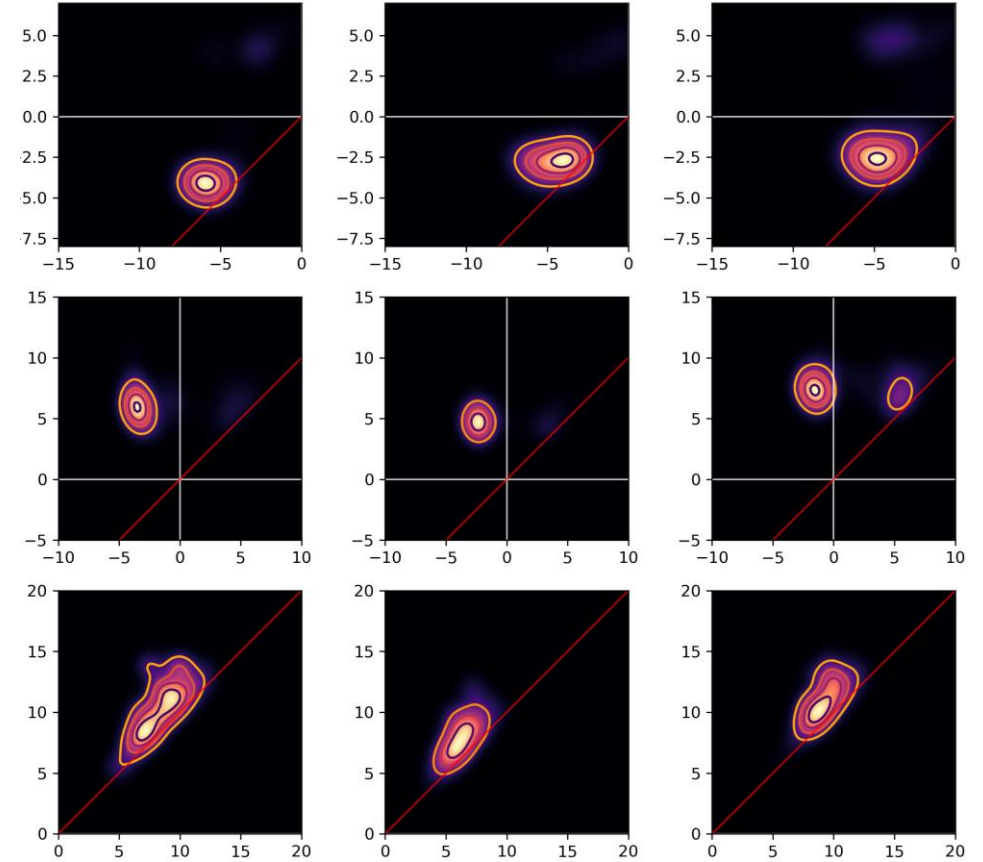
Emulated A



Emulated B



Emulated C



Emulated A

Emulated B

Emulated C

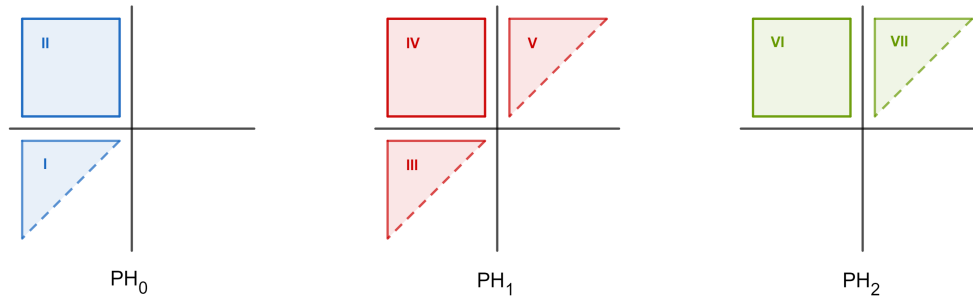
Bayesian Optimization w.r.t. SDPH diagrams

Non-linear impact of AML

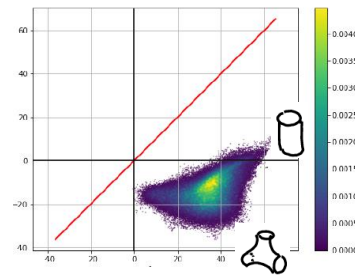
Conclusion: what is *texture* in shapes?

texture = curvatures parameters
$$F(\mathcal{S}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} (a_{2,0} \kappa_1^2 + a_{1,1} \kappa_1 \kappa_2 + a_{0,2} \kappa_2^2 + a_{1,0} \kappa_1 + a_{0,1} \kappa_2 + a_{0,0}) dA$$

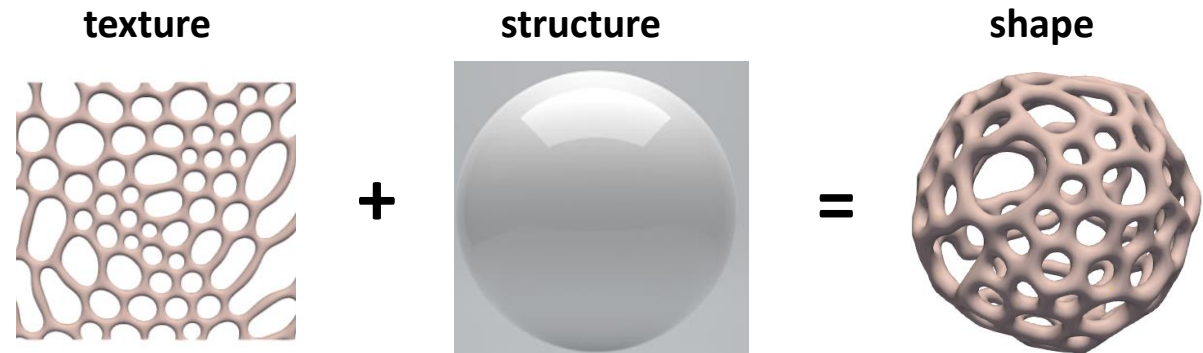
= SDPH diagrams



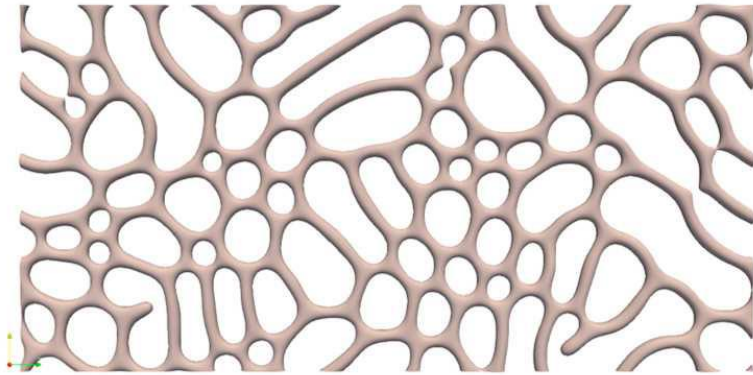
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Curvatures **synthesizes** shape textures
SDPH **quantifies** them

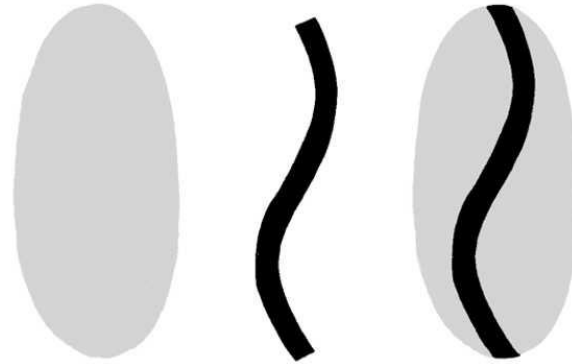


Other project: 3D bioprinting vessels



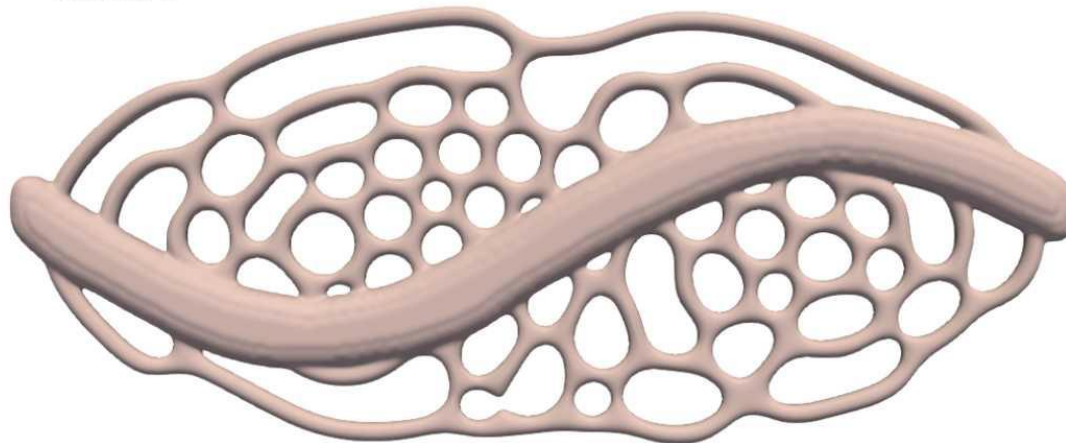
texture

+



structure

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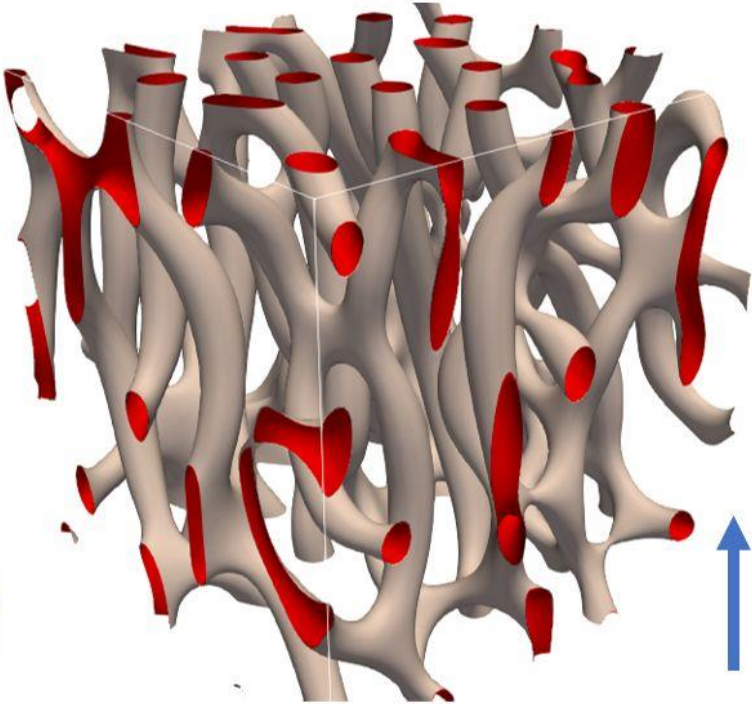
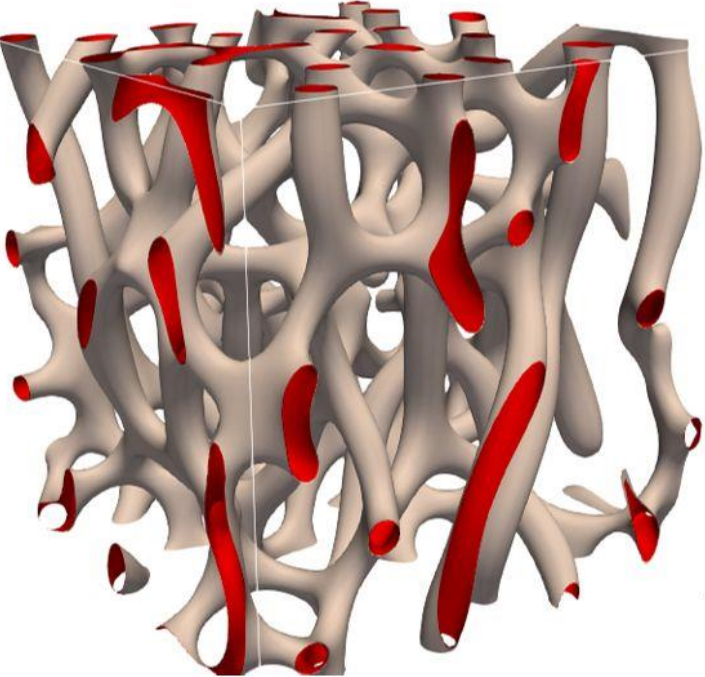
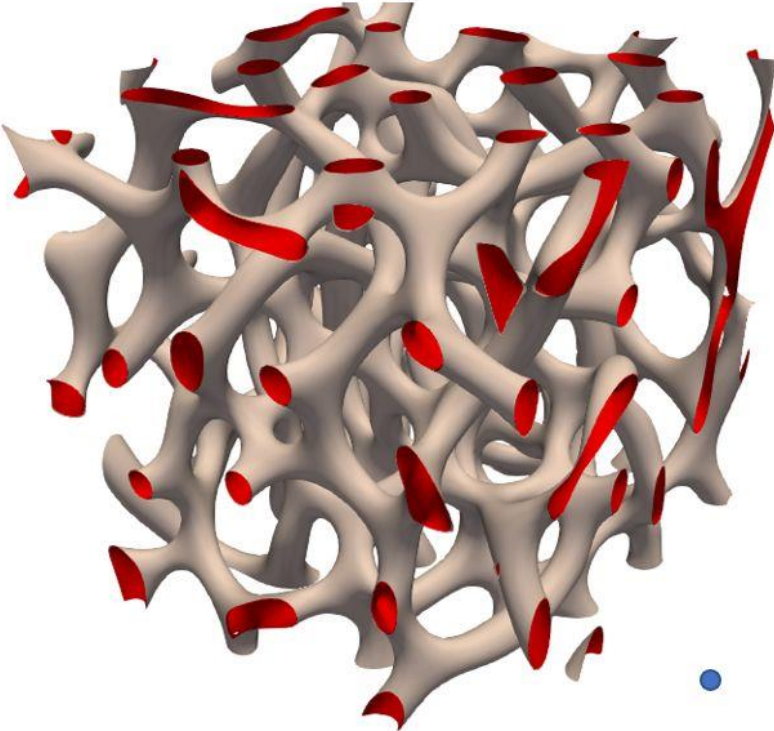


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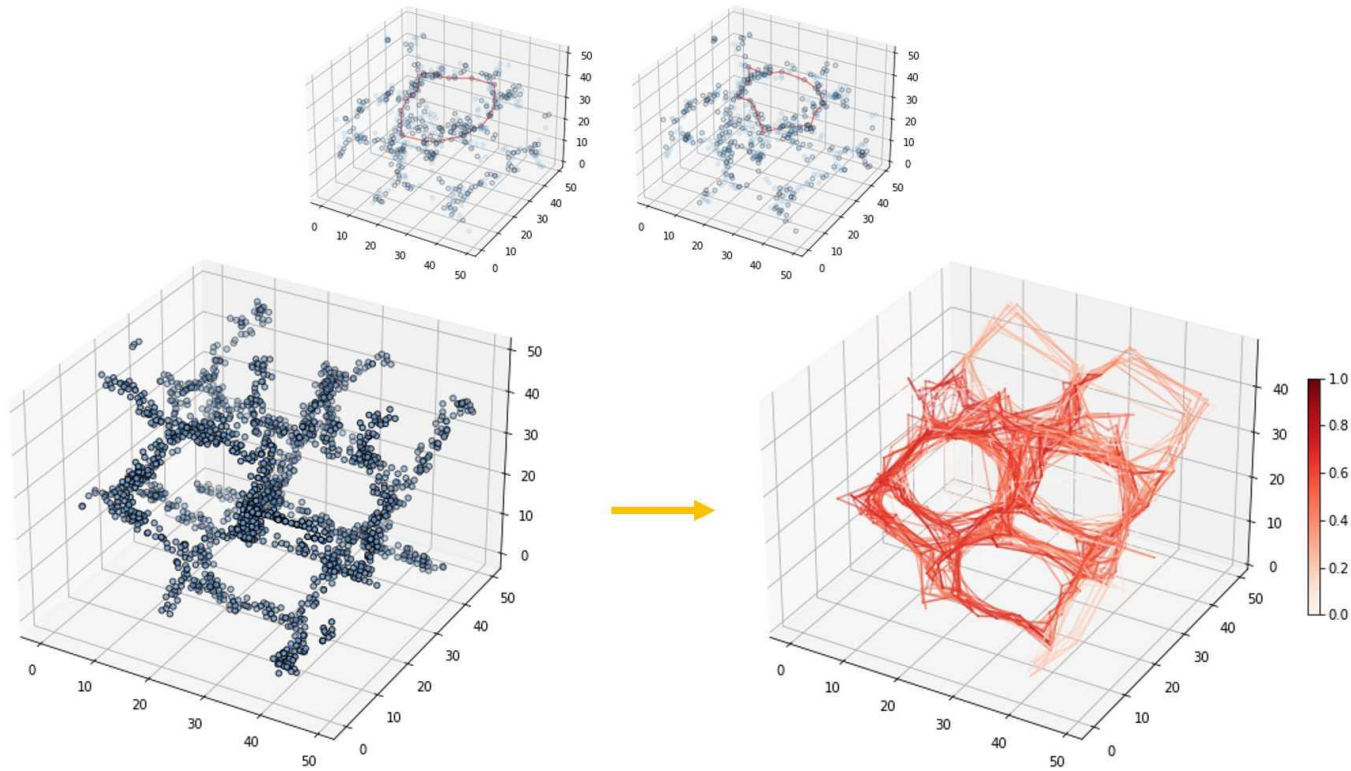
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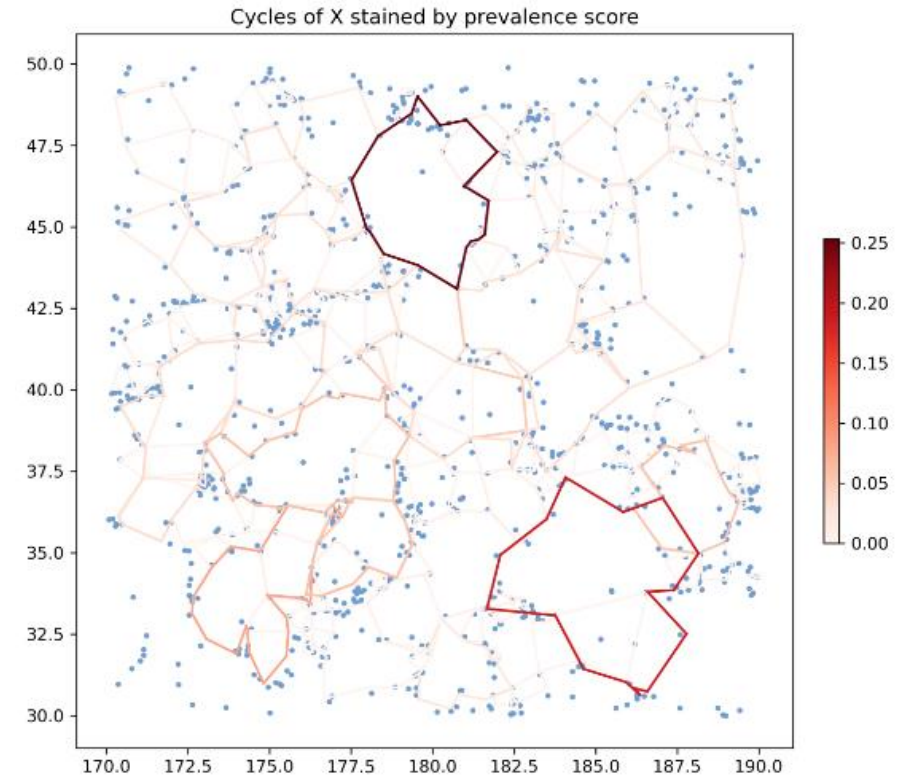
narrow angles



Other project: Finding “true cycles” in data



network data



cosmic web data

Fast Topological Signal Identification and Persistent Cohomological Cycle Matching, Ines Garcia-Redondo, Anthea Monod, Anna Song (arXiv 2022)

Thank you!

Questions?