

# Stratified Space Learning

## Reconstructing Embedded Graphs

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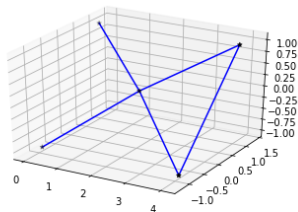
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# Embedded Graphs

We begin by restricting our attention to *graphs*.

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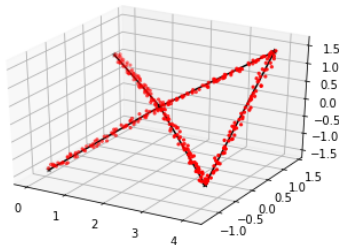
1. An *abstract graph*  $G$  consists of two sets: a set of vertices  $V$  and a set of edges  $E$ .
2. An *embedded graph*  $|G|$  in  $n$  dimensions is a geometric realisation of an abstract graph.



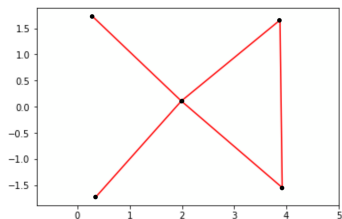
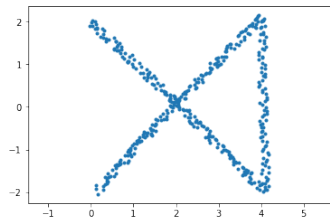
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Given an embedded graph  $|G| \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , a *point cloud* sample  $P$  of  $|G|$  consists of a finite collection of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  sampled from  $|G|$ , potentially with noise. If the Hausdorff distance  $d_H(|G|, P) \leq \epsilon$ , we say  $P$  is an  $\epsilon$ -dense sample.



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This is a semi-parametric problem:

- ▶ obtain the abstract structure of the graph,
- ▶ obtain numerical estimates for the embedding of the abstract structure.

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4. at degree 2 vertices, the angle between the edges is also bounded above.

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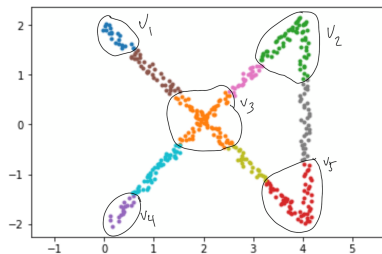
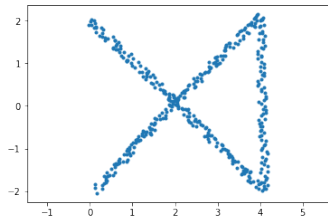
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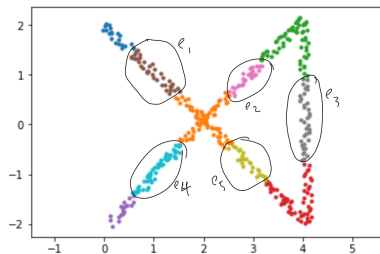
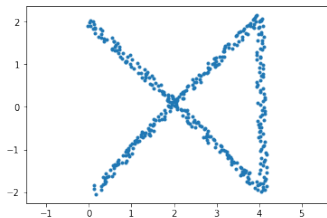
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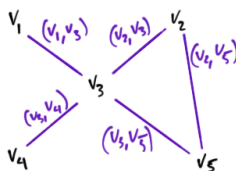
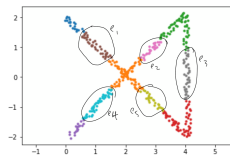
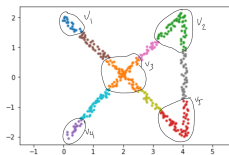
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## Dimension Function

Given a sample  $q$ , we consider a ball of radius  $10\varepsilon$  centered at  $q$ , and look at the samples within this ball. There are several steps to determine if  $\dim q$  is 0 or 1.

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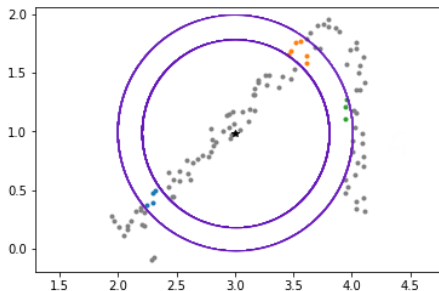
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1. Initialise graph  $\mathfrak{G}_q$  with vertices points  $p \in P$  such that  $d(p, q) \leq 10\epsilon$ .
2. For  $p, p'$  vertices in  $\mathfrak{G}_q$ , add an edge between  $p$  and  $p'$  if  $d(p, p') \leq 2\epsilon$ .

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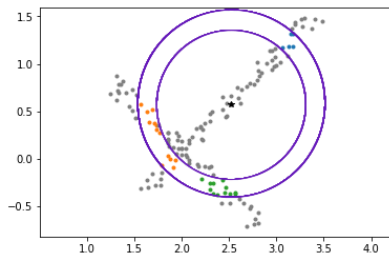
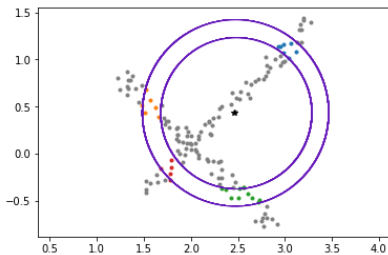
3. If the number of connected components in  $\mathfrak{G}_q$  is not 1, **return** dimension 1.



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4. Else, remove points  $p$  with  $d(p, q) \leq 8\varepsilon$ , and add in edges between  $p, p' \in \mathfrak{G}_q$  if  $d(p, p') \leq 3\varepsilon$ .



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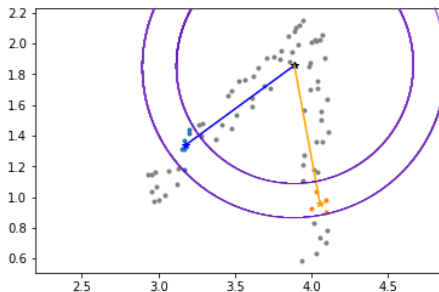
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5. If the number of connected components in  $\mathcal{G}_q$  is not 2,  
**return 0.**
6. Else, check Angle Condition.

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## Angle Condition

7. Find average of coordinates of points in the two connected components.
8. Calculate angle between the line segments from averages to  $q$ .



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9. If angle is less than  $2 \arccos(1/4)$  **return** 0.
10. Else **return** 1.

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## Vertices

1. Initialise empty vertex set  $V$ .
2. Initialise graph  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\dim^{-1}(0)$ , and connect  $p, p'$  if  $d(p, p') \leq 9\epsilon$ .
3. For each connected component, add an element to  $V$ .
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## Edges

1. Initialise empty edge set  $E$ .
2. Initialise graph  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\dim^{-1}(1)$ , and connect  $p, p'$  if  $d(p, p') \leq 3\epsilon$ .
3. For each connected component, add a unique element to  $E$ .
4. **return**  $E$ .

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## Boundary relations

1. Initialise  $|E| \times |V|$  array  $B$  of zeros.
2. For each  $i \in E$ , find points in  $\text{dim}^{-1}(0)$  within  $3\varepsilon$  of the corresponding points of  $\text{dim}^{-1}(1)$ .
3. For  $i \in E, j \in V$  change  $B_{ij}$  to 1 if samples corresponding to  $j$  are within  $3\varepsilon$  of samples corresponding to  $i$ .

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We now use non-linear least squares regression to best fit the locations of the vertices.

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- ▶ Combined objective:

$$\Phi(x_1, \dots, x_{k_v}, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(x_1, \dots, x_{k_v}, \theta_i),$$

with  $\theta_i \in [0, 1]$  and  $\theta_i = 0$  if  $\dim(p^{(i)}) = 0$ .

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## Theorem

*Let  $v$  be a vertex of  $|G| \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $p \in P$  a sample. If  $p$  is within  $3\varepsilon$  of  $v$ , then  $\dim p = 0$ .*

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