### **Beyond IID in Information Theory**

## Probing multipartite entanglement through persistent homology arXiv:2307.07492

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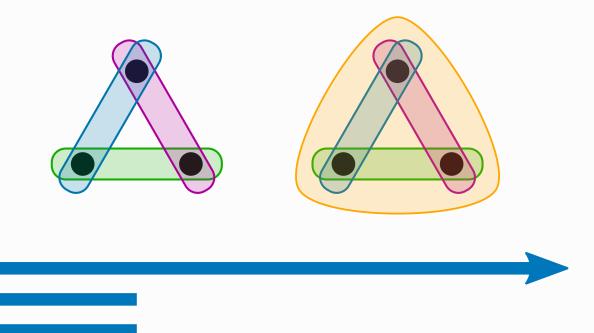


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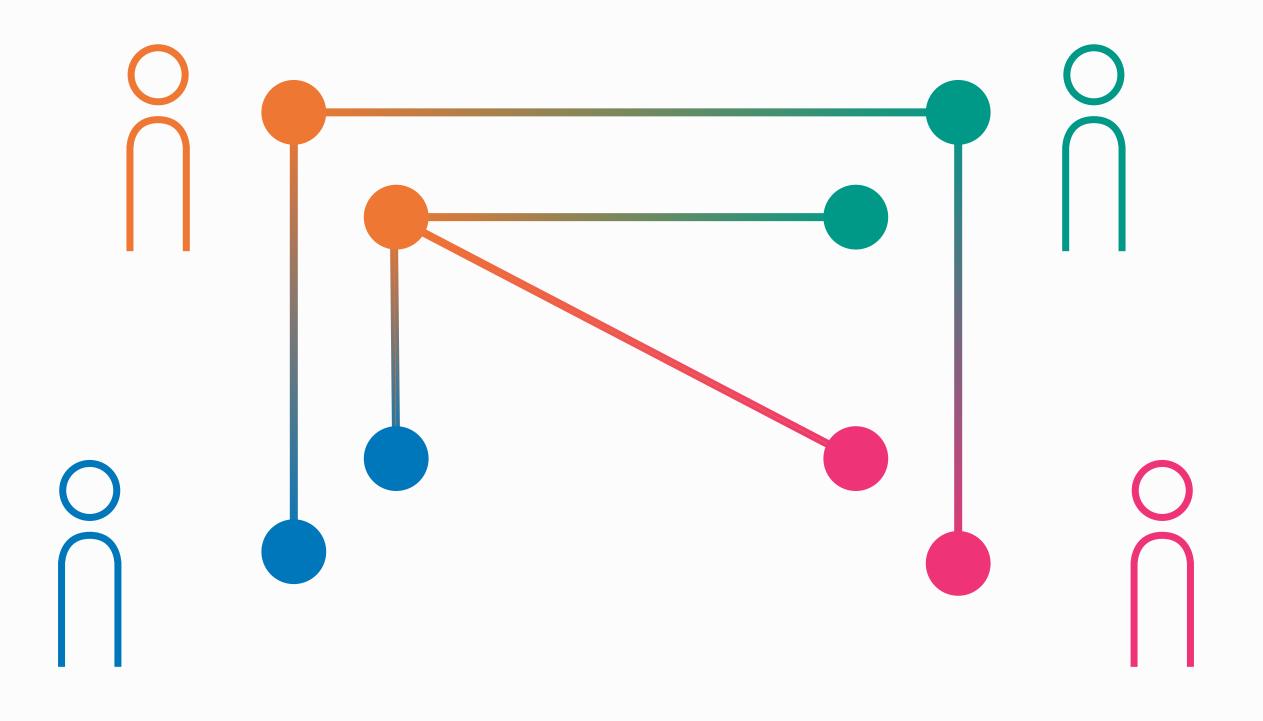


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### Introduction

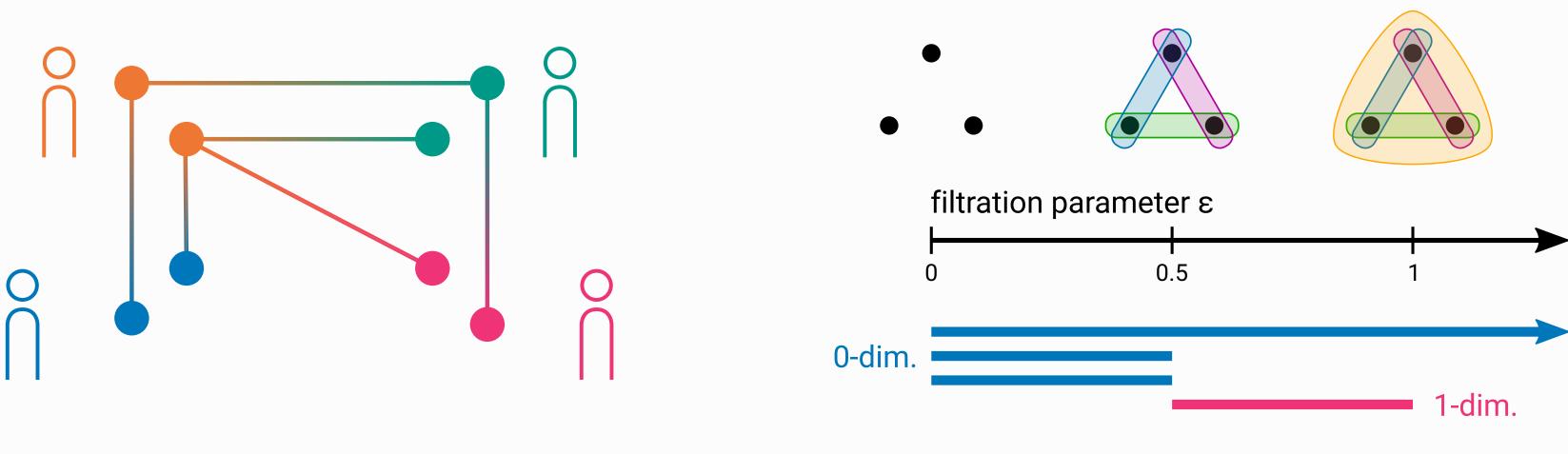
Multipartite quantum systems can exhibit complex correlations that are hard to characterize.



## Summary of main results

We propose a **topological approach** that characterizes multipartite entanglement using a tool from topological data analysis called **persistent homology**.

**Persistence barcodes** visualize the entanglement structure of a multipartite state.



**Topological summaries** of the persistence complex yield correlation measures and entanglement measures, which assigns them with a **topological interpretation**.

## Structure of this talk

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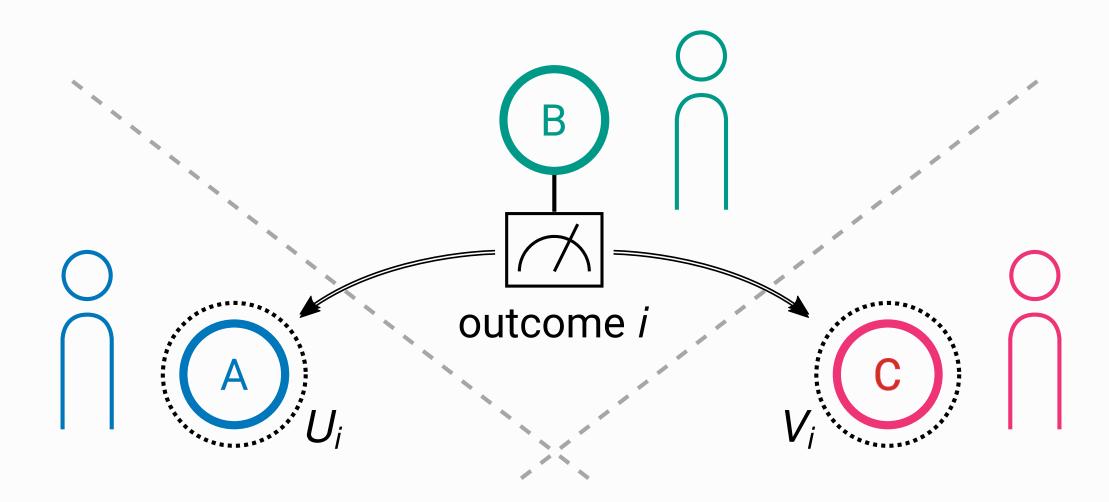
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## Entanglement and LOCC

A state  $\rho$  is **entangled** if it cannot be written as a convex combination of product states.



Local operations and classical communication (LOCC):

Local operations and measurements, whose outcomes can be broadcast to other parties.

Entanglement is a **resource** and cannot be created from scratch using LOCC alone.

## Stochastic LOCC

Multipartite LOCC transformations are **notoriously hard** to describe.

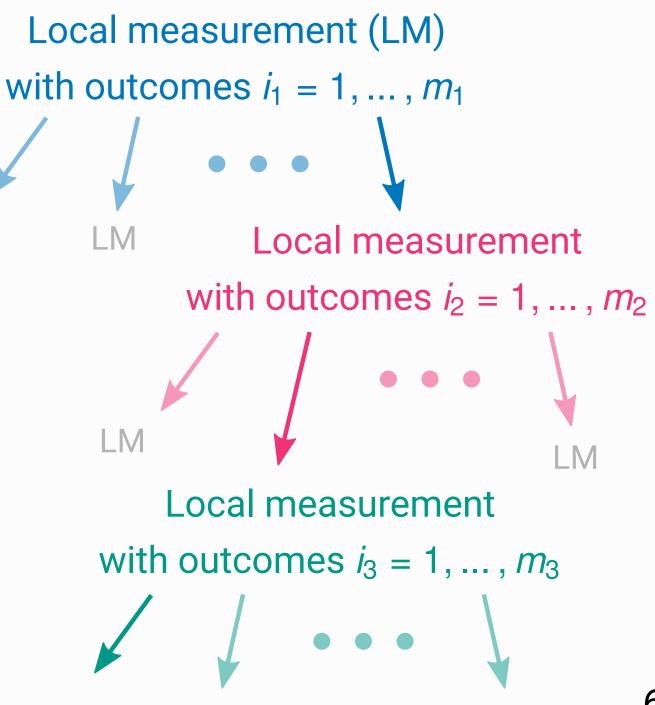
[Chitambar et al., Comm. Math. Phys., 2014]

A stochastic LOCC (SLOCC) protocol achieves  $\psi \longrightarrow \phi$  with some non-zero success probability  $\rho$ . [Bennett et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2000]

 $\psi \xrightarrow{\text{SLOCC}} \phi$  if there are operators  $A_i$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ such that  $(A_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes A_n) |\psi\rangle = \lambda |\phi\rangle$ .

 $\psi, \phi$  are **SLOCC-equivalent** if the  $A_i$  are invertible. [Dür et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2000]

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## SLOCC invariants and entanglement measures

### **SLOCC-invariant functionals** can be used to detect SLOCC-inequivalent states.

[Dür et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2000], [Gour, Wallach, Phys. Rev. Lett., 2013]

In certain situations, SLOCC invariants E are also entanglement measures:

$$E(\rho) \geq \sum_{i} p_{i} E(\rho_{i})$$

for any LOCC protocol mapping  $\rho$  to  $\rho_i$  with probability  $p_i$ , and  $E(\sigma) = 0$  for  $\sigma$  separable. [Verstraete et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2003], [Eltschka et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2012]

**Example:** *n*-tangle  $\tau_n(\rho) = \text{Tr} \left(\rho \, \sigma_2^{\otimes n} \rho^* \sigma_2^{\otimes n}\right)$ 

[Wong, Christensen, Phys. Rev. A, 2001]

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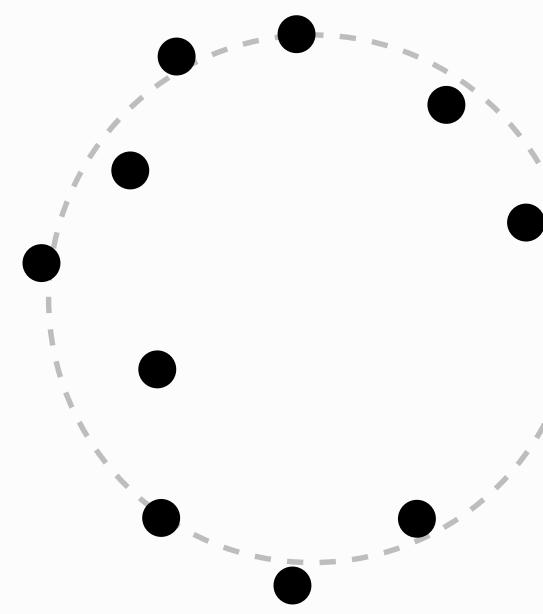
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# Main idea of persistent homology

Capture topological features of an underlying source from (noisy) samples.





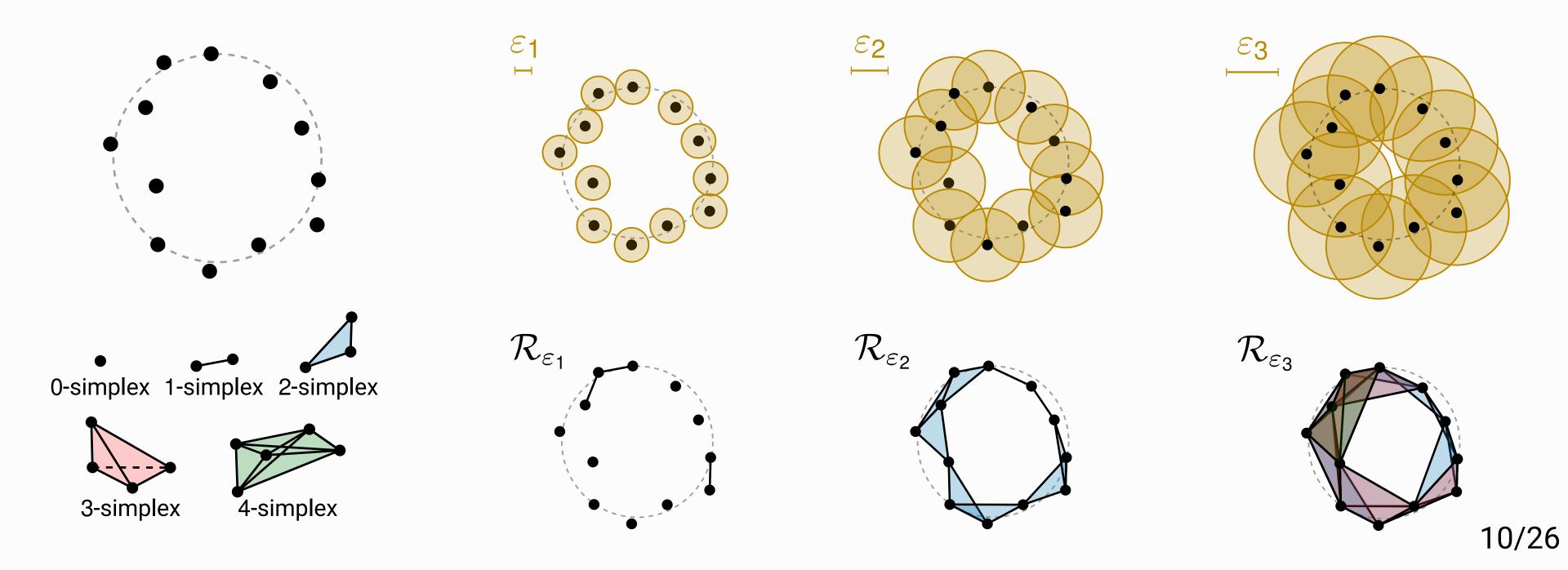




### Persistence complex

**Example:** Vietoris-Rips complex  $\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon}$ 

k + 1 vertices form a k-simplex whenever their pairwise distance is less than  $\varepsilon$ .



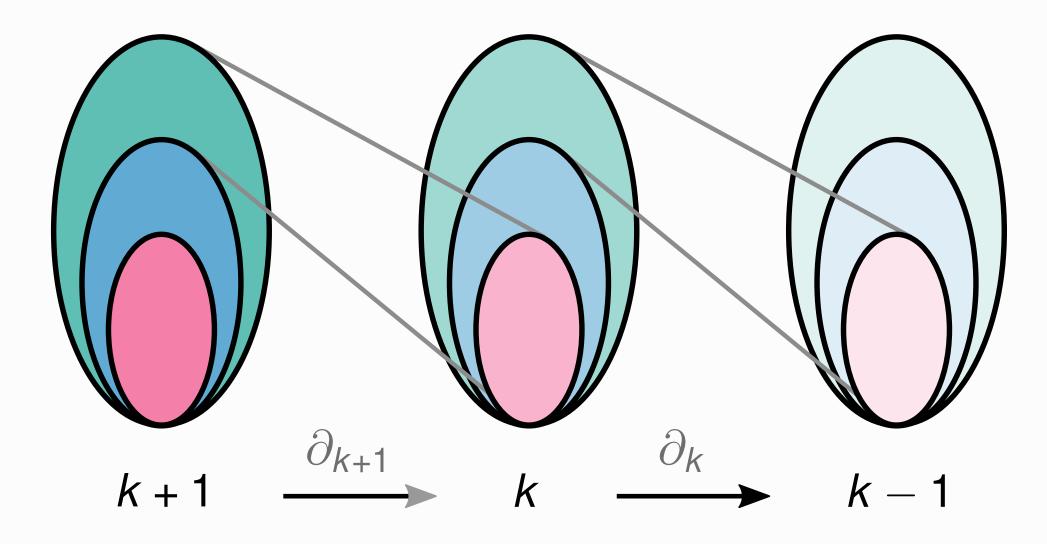
# Homology groups of simplicial complexes

**Chain group**  $\mathcal{C}_k$ : group of k-chains.

**Cycle group**  $Z_k = \ker \partial_k$  $\geq \operatorname{im} \partial_{k+1} = B_k$ 

**Boundary group**  $B_k = \operatorname{im} \partial_{k+1}$ 

*k*-th homology group  $H_k = Z_k/B_k$ .



### boundary operator $\partial_k : \mathcal{C}_k \to \mathcal{C}_{k-1}$ with $\partial^2 = 0$

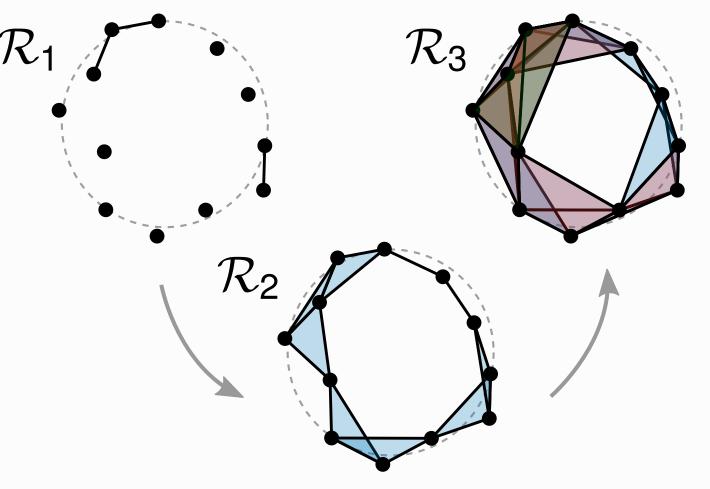
A persistence complex is a filtration  $\{\mathcal{R}_i \equiv \mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon_i} : \varepsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$ of simplicial complexes with  $\mathcal{R}_m \subseteq \mathcal{R}_n$  for  $m \leq n$ .

The inclusions  $R_m \hookrightarrow R_n$  for  $m \le n$  induce homomorphisms  $f_k^{m,n}$ :  $H_k(\mathcal{R}_m) \to H_k(\mathcal{R}_n)$  of homology groups.

**Persistence module:** Collection of homology groups  $(H_*(\mathcal{R}_i))_i$  together with homs.  $(f_*^{m,n})_{m < n}$ .

(n-m)-persistent k-th homology group:  $H_k^{m,n} = Z_k(\mathcal{R}_m) / (B_k(\mathcal{R}_n) \cap Z_k(\mathcal{R}_m)) \cong \operatorname{im} f_k^{m,n}$ .

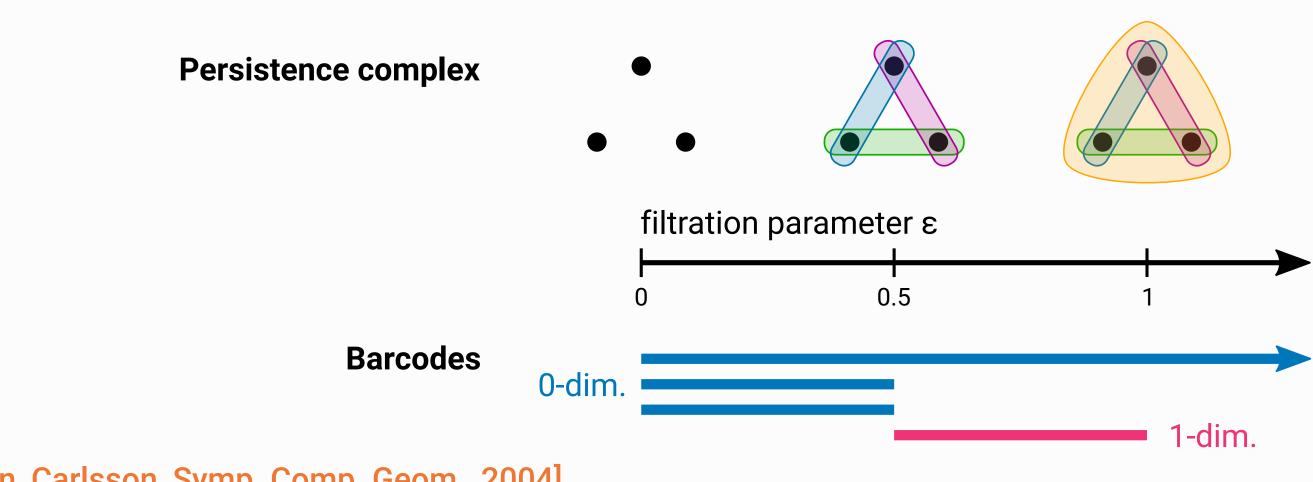
[Zomorodian, Carlsson, Symp. Comp. Geom., 2004]



Define the k-th Betti number  $\beta_k(\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon})$  of the complex  $\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon}$  as the rank of  $H_k(\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon})$ .

The **barcode** of a persistence complex  $(\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon})_{\varepsilon}$  is a collection of stacked intervals. The x-axis corresponds to  $\varepsilon$ , and for each k there are  $\beta_k(\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon})$  many intervals.

The rank  $\beta_k^{m,n}$  = rank  $H_k^{m,n}$  equals the number of interval lines spanning the interval [ $\varepsilon_m, \varepsilon_n$ ].



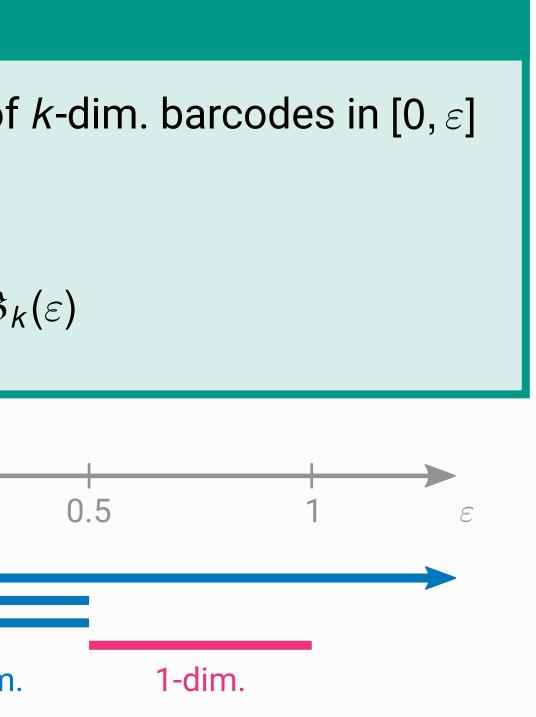
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## **Topological summaries**

The persistence barcodes encode topological data that can be further summarized:

**Topological summaries Integrated Betti number**  $\mathfrak{B}_k(\varepsilon) = \text{sum of lengths of } k\text{-dim. barcodes in } [0, \varepsilon]$ Integrated Euler characteristic  $\mathfrak{X}(\varepsilon) = \sum_{k} (-1)^{k} \mathfrak{B}_{k}(\varepsilon)$ 

Example: 
$$\mathfrak{B}_0(\infty) = 2 \times (0.5 - 0) = 1$$
  
 $\mathfrak{B}_1(\infty) = 1 \times (1 - 0.5) = 0.5$   
 $\mathfrak{X}(\infty) = \mathfrak{B}_0(\infty) - \mathfrak{B}_1(\infty) = 0.5$ 



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# Persistent homology for multipartite systems

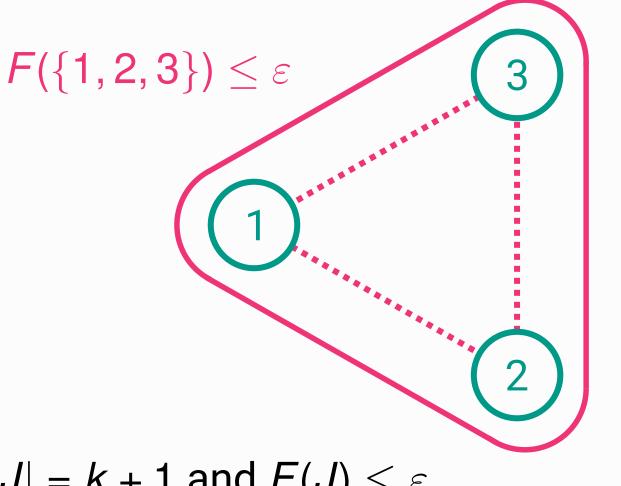
We build a persistence complex from a multipartite quantum state  $\rho$  on  $(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes n}$  as follows:

- Treat local systems of quantum system as vertices of an abstract simplicial complex.
- Choose a functional F defined on marginals  $\rho_J = \text{Tr}_{J^c} \psi$  with  $J \subseteq [n]$  and set  $F(J) = F(\rho_J)$ .
- $\succ$  For a fixed filtration parameter  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+$ we add a simplex  $J \subseteq [n]$  to  $\Delta$  if  $F(J) \leq \varepsilon$ .

 $\blacktriangleright$  This defines a valid complex  $\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon}$  provided that F is monotonic with respect to taking subsets:

 $F(J) \leq F(K)$  for  $J \subseteq K \subseteq [n]$ 

The *k*-simplices of  $\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon}$  are the simplicies  $J \subseteq [n]$  with |J| = k + 1 and  $F(J) \leq \varepsilon$ .



## Choice of functional

For  $q \ge 1$  and  $J \subseteq [n]$  we define the **Tsallis entropy**  $S_q(J) = \frac{1}{1}$ 

**Defining the persistence complex** 

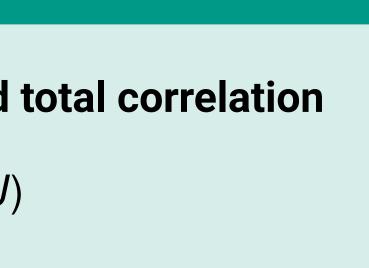
We choose as  $F: 2^{[n]} \to \mathbb{R}_+$  the *q*-deformed total correlation  $C_q(J) = \sum_{v \in J} S_q(v) - S_q(J)$ 

**Subset monotonicity** follows from subadditivity of Tsallis entropy. [Audenaert, J. Math. Phys, 2007]

### **Operational interpretation for q=1:**

Total amount of local noise needed to decouple J from the rest of the systems.

$$\frac{1}{-q} \left( \operatorname{Tr} \rho_J^q - 1 \right) \text{ of } \rho_J = \operatorname{Tr}_{J^c} \rho.$$



[Groisman et al., , Phys. Rev. A, 2005] 17/26

# Interaction information as topological summary

### Main result 1

For the persistence module defined in terms of the *q*-deformed total correlation, the integrated Euler characteristic  $\mathfrak{X}(\infty) = \sum_{k} (-1)^{k} \mathfrak{B}_{k}(\infty)$  equals

$$\mathcal{I}_q = \sum_{J \subseteq [n]} (-1)^{|J|-1} S_q(J),$$

the *q*-deformed interaction information.

For q = 1, the interaction information is an *n*-partite generalization of mutual information (n = 2) and tripartite information (n = 3).

# Special case q = 2 gives *n*-tangle

### Main result 2

For the persistence module of an *n*-qubit state  $|\psi\rangle$  defined in terms of the 2-deformed total correlation, the IEC  $\mathfrak{X}(\infty)$  equals the *n*-tangle  $\tau_n = |\langle \psi | \sigma_2^{\otimes n} | \psi^* \rangle|^2$ .  $\mathfrak{X}(\infty) = \mathcal{I}_2 = \tau_n$ 

The proof relies on the *n*-qubit Bloch vector coefficients  $Q_{(i_1,...,i_n)} = \langle \psi | \sigma_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \sigma_{i_n} | \psi \rangle$ , and writing the *n*-tangle as  $\tau_n(\psi) = \sum (-1)^{|J|-1} S_2(J)$ .  $J \subseteq [n]$ 

[Jaeger et al., Phys. Rev. A, 2003]



## *n*-tangle as a topological summary

The *n*-tangle is an SLOCC invariant as well as an entanglement measure. [Wong, Christensen, Phys. Rev. A, 2001]

**Our result** 

Integrated Euler characteristic of persistence complex  $(\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon})_{\varepsilon}$  is a

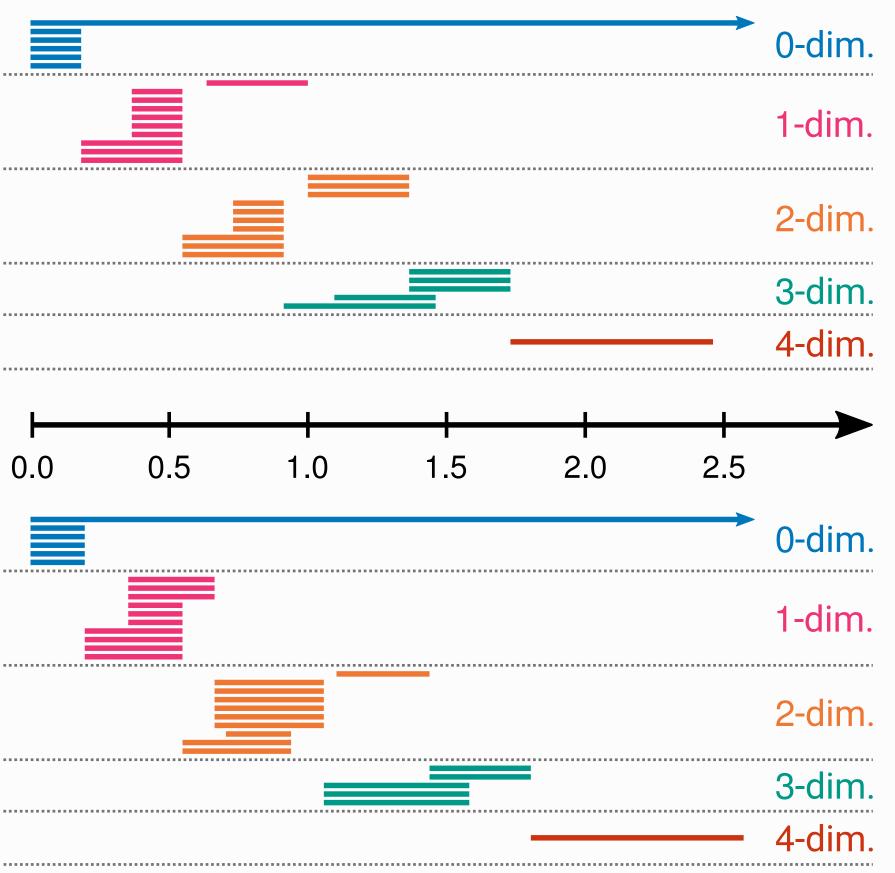
topological summary giving information about multipartite entanglement in  $\psi$ .

This answers a previously raised question about a topological interpretation of the *n*-tangle. [Eltschka, Siewert, Quantum, 2018]



# SLOCC-inequivalent states with equal *n*-tangle

$$\begin{aligned} |\chi_4\rangle \propto \frac{3}{4} |111111\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |111100\rangle \\ + \frac{4}{3} |000010\rangle + \frac{4}{3} |000001\rangle \\ \\ \tau_n(\Xi_4) = 0 = \tau_n(\Xi_5) \end{aligned}$$
$$\Xi_4 \text{ and } \Xi_5 \text{ are SLOCC-inequivalent.} \end{aligned}$$



$$\langle \chi_5 \rangle \propto \frac{3}{4} |1111111\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |111000\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |000010\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |000001\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |000001\rangle$$

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[Osterloh, Siewert, Int. J. Quant. Inf., 2006]

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# Barcodes and entanglement properties

n-tangle  $\leftrightarrow$  integrated Euler characteristic (IEC) from 2-total correlation

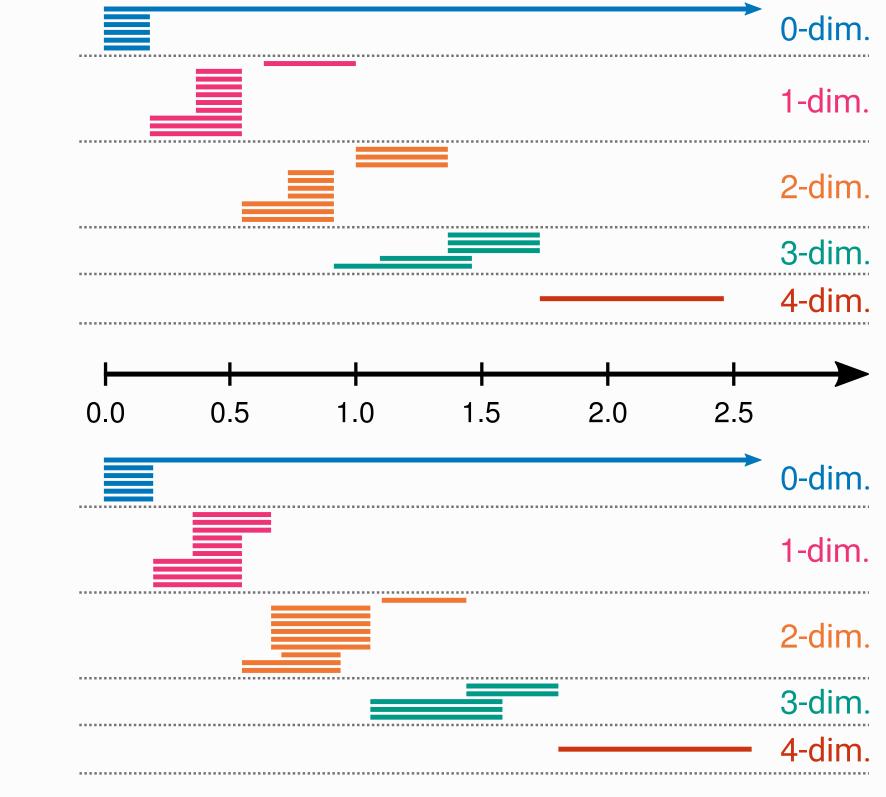
 $\mathsf{IEC}\longleftrightarrow \mathsf{function} \text{ of persistence barcodes}$ 

### Questions

Can we use persistence barcodes to distinguish SLOCC classes?

Can we attach an operational meaning to the barcodes themselves?

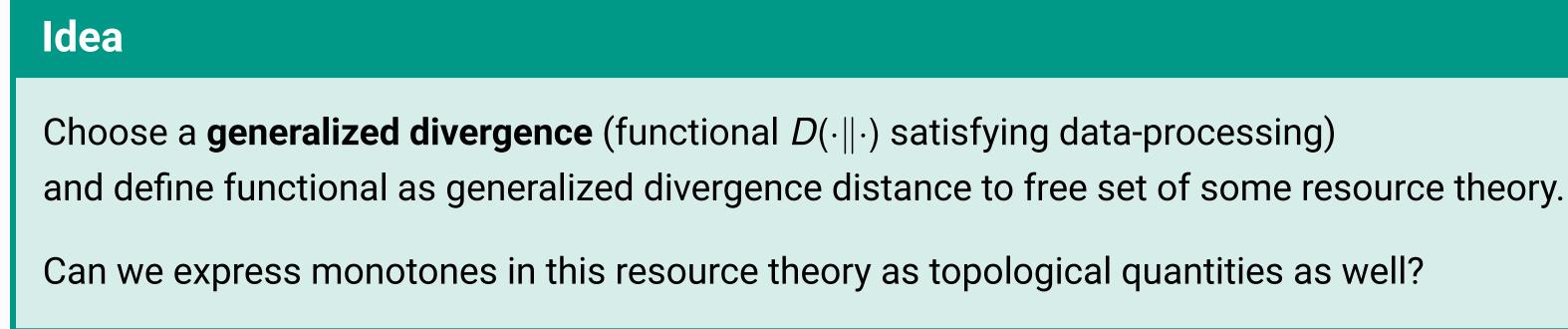
What other entanglement measures can be expressed as topological summaries?



## Generalized divergences and resource theories

Total correlation:  $C(J) = \sum_{x \in J} S(x) - S(J) = D(\rho_J || \bigotimes_{x \in J} \rho_J)$ 

### **Subset-monotonicity** $C(J) \leq C(K)$ for $J \subseteq K$ follows from **data-processing**.



$$p_{X}$$
) =  $\min_{\{\sigma_{X}\}_{X\in J}} D(\rho_{J} \| \bigotimes_{X\in J} \sigma_{X})$ 

### relative entropy distance from set of **uncorrelated states**

### Conclusion

We define a **persistence complex** for a multipartite quantum state in terms of a functional quantifying the **correlations** within subsets of the system, and compute topological summaries such as the **integrated Euler characteristic**.

For a special choice of functional, the integrated Euler characteristic of this persistence complex equals an entanglement monotone and thus gives operational and topological information about the **multipartite entanglement** structure.

Not mentioned in this talk:

We also reveal a connection to entropy inequalities by studying relative homology, which is intimately connected to **strong subadditivity**.

### **Thank you for your attention!**