

# A NEW (computer friendly) APPROACH TO MORSE-NOVIKOV THEORY

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# Classical finite dimensional MN theory

## • Considers

- 1 Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$
- 2 Smooth map  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$

s.t  $(g, f)$  is Morse pair.

$$f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1, \quad \text{grad}_g f$$

## • Relates

- 1 Critical points of  $f =$  Rest points of  $\text{grad}_g f$
- 2 Instantons = isolated trajectories between rest points
- 3 Closed trajectories (Poincaré return maps of trajectories)

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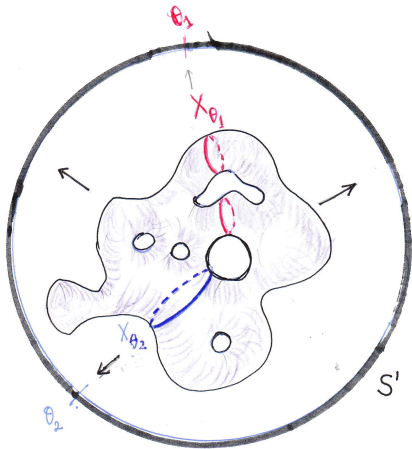
- **Topology of  $(M, \xi_f)$   $\xi_f \in H^1(X; \mathbb{Z})$**

- 1 Betti numbers, Novikov-Betti numbers
- 2 Monodromy, Reidemeister Torsion

Note : The above dynamical elements remain the same for any vector field which has  $f$  as a Lyapunov map which happens for any vector field which "minimizes an action".  
The relationship can be used both ways : Topology  $\Leftrightarrow$  Dynamics

- **Draw backs** for use outside mathematics

- 1 few shapes / maps are smooth manifolds / smooth maps
- 2 elements hard or impossible to compute
- 3 lack of stability at small perturbations



# Tame angle valued maps

$f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$  is tame if:

- 1  $X$  a compact ANR and  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$  continuous
- 2 For any  $\theta \in \mathbb{S}^1$ ,  $f^{-1}(\theta)$  open neighborhood retract
- 3  $\Sigma \subset \mathbb{S}^1$  finite s.t.  $f : X \setminus f^{-1}(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \setminus \Sigma$  fibration

Note :

- Morse maps defined on compact smooth manifold are tame,
- Simplicial maps defined on finite simplicial complex are tame,
- Tame maps are generic - the subspace of tame maps is homotopy equivalent to the space of continuous maps.

## Elements associated with $f$

① Critical values = angles = elements in  $\Sigma$

②  $r$ -Bar codes **denoted by**  $\mathcal{B}_r(f)$ :

- closed  $[a, b]$  **denoted by**  $\mathcal{B}_r^c(f)$
- open  $(a, b)$  **denoted by**  $\mathcal{B}_r^o(f)$
- open-closed  $(a, b]$  **denoted by**  $\mathcal{B}_r^{oc}(f)$
- closed-open  $[a, b)$  **denoted by**  $\mathcal{B}_r^{co}(f)$

$$a \leq b, b = b' + 2\pi k, a, b' \in \Sigma, k \in \mathbb{Z} \geq 0$$

③  $r$ -Jordan blocks  $J = (V, T)$ : **denoted by**  $\mathcal{J}_r(f)$

$$J = \begin{cases} V & \text{vector space,} \\ T : V \rightarrow V & \text{isomorphism,} \\ (V, T) & \text{indecomposable} \end{cases}$$

Jordan  $\lambda$ -blocks  $\mathcal{J}_{r,\lambda}(f) := \{J \in \mathcal{J}_r(f) \mid \lambda \in \text{spec } T\}$

# Meaning of barcodes and Jordan blocks

*Bar codes describe*

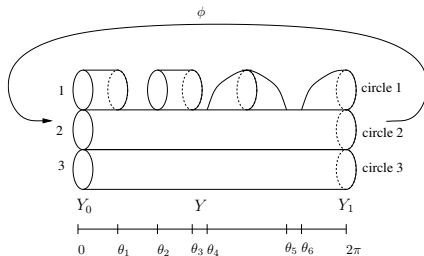
- **Death** right and left for elements in  $H_r(X_\theta)$
- **Observability** right and left for elements in  $H_r(X_\theta)$

*Jordan blocks describe*

- **Return** after a  $2\pi-$  period for elements in  $H_r(X_\theta) = H_r(X_{\theta+2\pi})$



# EXAMPLE



map  $\phi$

circle 1: 1 time around circle 1 -3 times around 2, - 2 times around 3  
circle 2: 1 time around circle 1, 4 times around 2, 1 time around 3  
circle 3: 2 time around 1, 2 times around 2, 2 times around 3

$r$ -invariants

dimension	bar codes	Jordan cells
0	$(\theta_2, \theta_3)$	$(1, 1)$
1	$(\theta_6, \theta_1 + 2\pi)$ $[\theta_2, \theta_3]$ $(\theta_4, \theta_5)$	$(3, 2)$

Figure: Example of  $r$ -invariants for a circle valued map

Note : - If one add a cord from the  $\theta_2$  =level to  $\theta_3$  – level one introduces a 0–open bar code  $(\theta_2, \theta_3)$ .

# Algebraic topology of $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$

- $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \Rightarrow \xi_f \in H^1(X; \mathbb{Z})$
  - $\xi \in H^1(X; \mathbb{Z}) \Rightarrow \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ , infinite cyclic cover with
  - $\tau : \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  deck transformation
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- Betti numbers of  $X \therefore \beta_r(X)$
  - Novikov–Betti numbers of  $(X, \xi) \therefore \beta_r^N(X, \xi)$
  - $r$ – Monodromies of  $(X, \xi) \therefore (V_r, T_r : V_r \rightarrow V_r)$

# Topological invariants recovered

$$f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathcal{B}_r^c(f), \mathcal{B}_r^o(f), \mathcal{B}_r^{co}(f), \mathcal{B}_r^{oc}(f) \\ \mathcal{J}_r(f); \quad \boxed{\mathcal{J}_{r,1}(f)} \subseteq \mathcal{J}_r(f) \end{cases}$$

## Theorem

(Homotopy invariance) If  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$  is a tame map and  $\kappa$  a field then:

1.  $\#\mathcal{B}_r^c(f) + \#\mathcal{B}_{r-1}^o(f)$  is a homotopy invariant of the pair  $(X, \xi_f)$   
= to the Novikov Betti number  $\beta_r^N(X, \xi_f)$ ,
- 2 The collection  $\mathcal{J}_r(f)$  is a homotopy invariant of the pair  $(X, \xi_f)$ .  
= the monodromy  $(V_r(\xi_f), T_r(\xi_f)) = \bigoplus_{J \in \mathcal{J}_r} (V(J), T(J))$ ,
3.  $\#\mathcal{B}_r^c(f) + \#\mathcal{B}_{r-1}^o(f) + \#\mathcal{J}_{r,1}(f) + \#\mathcal{J}_{r-1,1}(f)$  is a homotopy invariant of  $X$   
= the Betti number  $\beta_r(X)$ .

Consider

- The space :  $\mathbb{T} \equiv \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z} \equiv \mathbb{C} \setminus 0$

The action :  $\mu : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \mu(n, (a, b)) = (a + 2\pi n, b + 2\pi n)$   
The map :  $[[x, y]] \in \mathbb{T} \rightsquigarrow e^{(y-x)+ix} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus 0$

- The space:  $\mathbb{T} \setminus \Delta_{\mathcal{T}} \equiv (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Delta) / \mathbb{Z} \equiv \mathbb{C} \setminus \{S^1 \cup 0\}$

- The configuration  $C_r(f) : \boxed{\{B_r^c, B_{r-1}^o\} \implies C_r(f)}$

- $[a, b] \rightsquigarrow [[a, b]] \in \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z} \rightsquigarrow e^{(b-a)+ia} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus 0$
- $(a, b) \rightsquigarrow [[b, a]] \in \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z} \rightsquigarrow e^{(a-b)+ib} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus 0$

- The configuration  $C_r^m(f) : \boxed{\{B_r^{c,o}, B_{r-1}^{o,c}\} \implies C_r^m(f)}$

- $[a, b] \rightsquigarrow [[a, b]] \in \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z} \rightsquigarrow e^{(b-a)+ia} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{S^1 \cup 0\}$
- $(a, b) \rightsquigarrow [[b, a]] \in \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z} \rightsquigarrow e^{(a-b)+ib} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{S^1 \cup 0\}$

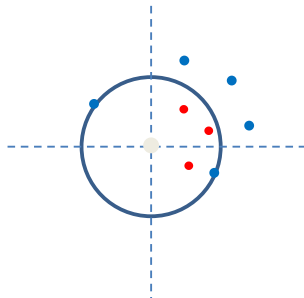


Figure: Configuration  $G_r(f)$

# WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR ?

- $\text{Conf}_n(\mathbb{T}) = \mathcal{S}^n(\mathbb{T}) \equiv \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \times (\mathbb{C} \setminus 0)$  (complete metric space)

$\mathcal{S}^n(\mathbb{T}) =$  degree  $n$  monic polynomials with nonzero free coefficient

- $\mathcal{C}_\xi(X; \mathbb{S}^1) =$  continuous maps  $f$  with  $\xi_f = \xi$  with the compact-open topology. (complete metric space)

## Theorem

*(Stability) When restricted to tame maps the assignment  $f \rightsquigarrow C_r(f)$  is continuous. The assignment extends to a continuous map  $\mathcal{C}_\xi(X; \mathbb{S}^1) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{S}^n(\mathbb{T})$ ,  $n = \beta_r^N(X; \xi)$ .*

- The monic polynomial  $P_r(f)(z)$  provides a refinement of the Novikov Betti number  $\beta_r^N(\xi_f)$ .
- If  $f$  real valued and  $H_r(X)$  equipped with a scalar product (e.g.  $X$  a Riemannian manifold,  $C_r(f)$  provides a canonical decomposition

$$H_r(X) = \bigoplus_{l \in \mathcal{B}_r^c(f)} H_{r,l}(X) \bigoplus \bigoplus_{l \in \mathcal{B}_{r-1}^o(f)} H_{r,l}(X)$$

- For an open and dense set of  $f \in C(X; \mathbb{R})$  one has  $\dim H_{r,l}(X) = 1$ .



## Theorem

*(Poincaré Duality) If  $M^n$  is a closed  $\kappa$ -orientable topological manifold with  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \subset \mathbb{C}$  a continuous map then*

$$C_r(f)(z) = C_{n-r}(\bar{f})(z^{-1})$$

# Definition (1) of Bar codes and Jordan blocks.

Based on representations of the oriented graph  $G_{2m}$  with  $2m$  vertices

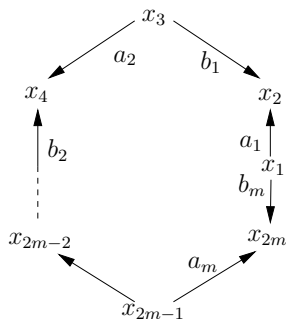


Figure: Graph  $G_{2m}$

## Representation

$$\rho = \begin{cases} V_r, & 1 \leq r \leq 2m \\ \alpha_j : V_{2i-1} \rightarrow V_{2i}, & 1 \leq i \leq m \\ \beta_j : V_{2i+1} \rightarrow V_{2i}, & 1 \leq i \leq m \end{cases}$$

## Indecomposable representations

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$$\begin{cases} \rho^I(\langle r, s \rangle), & r \leq s \text{ integers } 1 \leq r \leq 2m, r \leq s \\ \rho^{II}(\lambda, k), & \lambda \in \bar{\kappa} \setminus 0, k \text{ positive integer} \end{cases}$$

$\rho^I(\dots)$ s give bar codes  $\rho^{II}(\dots)$ s give Jordan Blocks

$\rho^I(\langle r, s \rangle)$ ,  $s = r' + 2mk$  described by a spiral  
 from vertex  $x_r$  to  $x_{r'}$  going counter-clockwise  $k$  times around origin,

$$\rho^{II}(\lambda; k) = \begin{cases} V_i = \kappa^k \\ \alpha_i = \beta_i = \beta_1 = id, 2 \leq i \leq m \\ \alpha_1 = T(\lambda; k) \end{cases}$$

$$T(\lambda, k) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

# Construction of $\rho_r(f)$

- Consider  $0 < \theta_1 < \theta_2 < \cdots < \theta_m \leq 2\pi$  critical angles for  $f$
- Choose  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_m < 2\pi$  regular angles s.t.  
 $0 < t_1 < \theta_1 < t_2 < \theta_2 < \cdots < t_m < \theta_m$

- Use tameness to define

$$a_i : f^{-1}(t_i) \rightarrow f^{-1}(\theta_i) \text{ and}$$

$$b_i : f^{-1}(t_{i+1}) \rightarrow f^{-1}(\theta_i).$$

- Define

$$\rho_r(f) = \begin{cases} V_{2r} = H_r(X_{\theta_r}), V_{2r+1} = H_r(X_{t_r}) \\ \alpha_r, \beta_r \text{ induced in homology by } a_r, b_r. \end{cases}$$

and assign

- Bar codes of  $\rho_r(f) \Rightarrow \rho_r(f)^l(\dots)$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \rho^l(\langle 2i, 2j + 2mk \rangle) & \Rightarrow [\theta_i, \theta_j + 2\pi k] \\ \rho^l(\langle 2i + 1, 2j - 1 + 2mk \rangle) & \Rightarrow (\theta_i, \theta_j + 2\pi k) \\ \rho^l(\langle 2i, 2j - 1 + 2mk \rangle) & \Rightarrow [\theta_i, \theta_j + 2\pi k) \\ \rho^l(\langle 2i + 1, 2j + 2mk \rangle) & \Rightarrow (\theta_i, \theta_j + 2\pi k] \end{cases}$$

- Jordan blocks of  $\rho_r(f) \Rightarrow \rho_r^{\parallel}(J)$

$$\rho^{\parallel}(J) \Rightarrow J = (V, T) \Rightarrow \{(\lambda, k)\}$$

# Alternative definition

- Consider  $\tilde{f} : \tilde{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Denote  $\tilde{X}_a = f^{-1}(-\infty, a]$ ,  $\tilde{X}^a = f^{-1}[a, \infty)$

- Consider

$$\mathbb{I}_a(r) := \text{img}(H_r(\tilde{X}_a) \rightarrow H_r(\tilde{X}))$$

$$\mathbb{I}^a(r) := \text{img}(H_r(\tilde{X}^a) \rightarrow H_r(\tilde{X}))$$

- Denote  $F_r(a, b) := \dim(\mathbb{I}_a(r) \cap \mathbb{I}^b(r))$

- Define

$$\underline{\delta}_r(a, b) := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \begin{cases} -F_r(a - \epsilon, b - \epsilon) - & F_r(a + \epsilon, b + \epsilon) \\ +F_r(a - \epsilon, b + \epsilon) + & F_r(a + \epsilon, b - \epsilon) \end{cases}$$

- Note that  $\delta_r(a, b) = \delta_r(a + 2\pi, b + 2\pi)$

- Define

$$\delta_r(e^{\alpha+i\beta}) = \underline{\delta}_r(\alpha, \alpha + \beta)$$

## Proposition

$$\delta_r = C_r(f)$$



## Computation for $f : X \rightarrow S^1$ , $X$ finite simplicial complex, $f$ linear on each simplex

Choose a total ordering of the simplices of  $X$  s.t

①  $\dim \tau < \dim \sigma \Rightarrow \tau < \sigma$

Note that the total order for vertices of  $X$  induces an orientation on each simplex hence an incidence number  $I(\tau, \sigma) = \pm 1$  if  $\tau$  face of  $\sigma$  and  $I(\tau, \sigma) = 0$  otherwise.

## INPUT:

- 1 A square  $N \times N$  matrix,  $N$  the total number of simplices of  $X$ , with entries the numbers  $I(\tau, \sigma)$ .
- 2 A column ( $1 \times K$  matrix,  $K$  the number of vertices) with entries the values of  $f$  on vertices.

## OUTPUT:

A table with two columns and  $\dim X$  rows.

The  $r$ -th row contains:

- 1 the collection of  $r$ -barcodes; pairs  $(\pm a, \pm b)$  with  $a$  resp.  $b$  the left resp. right end and with the sign  $+/-$  indicating that the end is closed / open.
- 2 the collection of  $r$ -Jordan cells, pairs  $(\lambda, k)$ .

- $(M, g)$  Riemannian manifold,  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$  Morse function,  $\text{grad}_g f$  associated vector field.
- Consider critical points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N$  of index  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N$
- Consider the **isolated trajectories**  $\gamma \in T(r, s)$  between critical points  $x_r$  and  $x_s$ .

These sets might be infinite, however each trajectory has a sign  $\epsilon(\gamma) = \pm$  and a winding number  $n(\gamma) \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Consider the sets  $T(r, s; k) := \{\gamma \in T(r, s) \mid n(\gamma) = k\}$ . These sets are finite.

- Define

$$\delta X_r = \sum_{s=1,2,\dots,N} \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} t^k \sum_{\gamma \in T(r,s;k)} \epsilon(\gamma) \right) X_s$$

The key observations due to Novikov are :

- 1  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{\gamma \in T(r,s;k)} \epsilon(\gamma) \right) t^k \in \kappa[t^{-1}, t]$
  - 2  $\delta^2 = 0$
- Form the Novikov complex whose  $k$ -components are the  $\kappa[t^{-1}, t]$ - vector spaces generated by the critical points of index  $k$ .

# Morse theory

- $(M, g)$  Riemannian manifold,  
 $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Morse function,  $\Rightarrow \text{grad}_g f$
- Consider critical points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N$  of index  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N$
- Count isolated trajectories between critical points  $n(x_r, x_s)$
- Define Morse complex  $(C_* = \kappa[\{x_i\}])$  and  
 $\partial(x_r) = \sum_s n(x_r, x_s)x_s.$
- Calculate  $\dim H_r(C_*, \partial_*) = \beta_r(M)$  (Betti numbers).

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- Count **isolated trajectories** between critical points  $x_r$  and  $x_s$ , however these sets might be infinite.

If so decompose in a countable union of finitely many as follows:

- 1 consider  $\tilde{f} : \tilde{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  the infinite cyclic covering of  $f$  and  $\tau : \tilde{M} \rightarrow \tilde{M}$  the deck transformation,
- 2 choose  $\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \dots, \tilde{x}_N$  lifts of critical points
- 3 count isolated trajectories from  $\tilde{x}_r$  to  $\tau^k(\tilde{x}_s) \therefore n(\tilde{x}_r, \tilde{x}_s; k)$

- Define Novikov complex:

$$\mathcal{C}_* = \kappa[T^{-1}, T][\{\tilde{x}_i\}],$$
$$\partial(\tilde{x}_r) = \sum_{\tilde{x}_s, k} n(\tilde{x}_r, \tilde{x}_s; k) \tilde{x}_s.$$

- $(\mathcal{C}_*, \partial_*) \Rightarrow \beta_r^N(M; \xi_f)$  Novikov–Betti numbers.