

Tracking Dynamical Features via Continuation and Persistence

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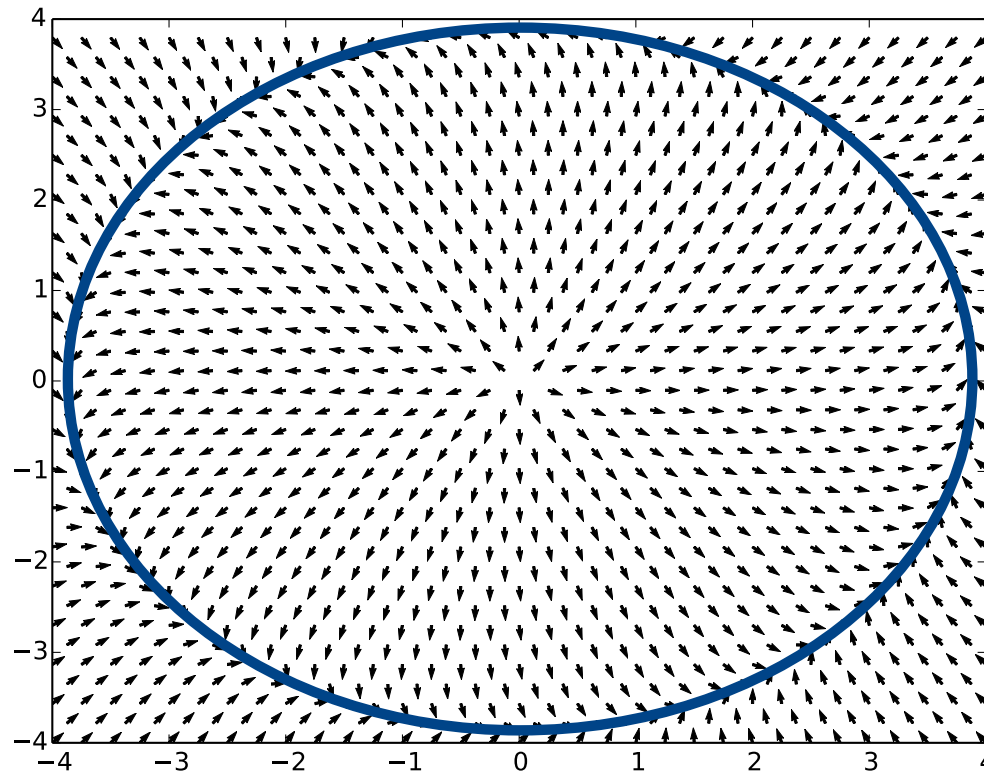


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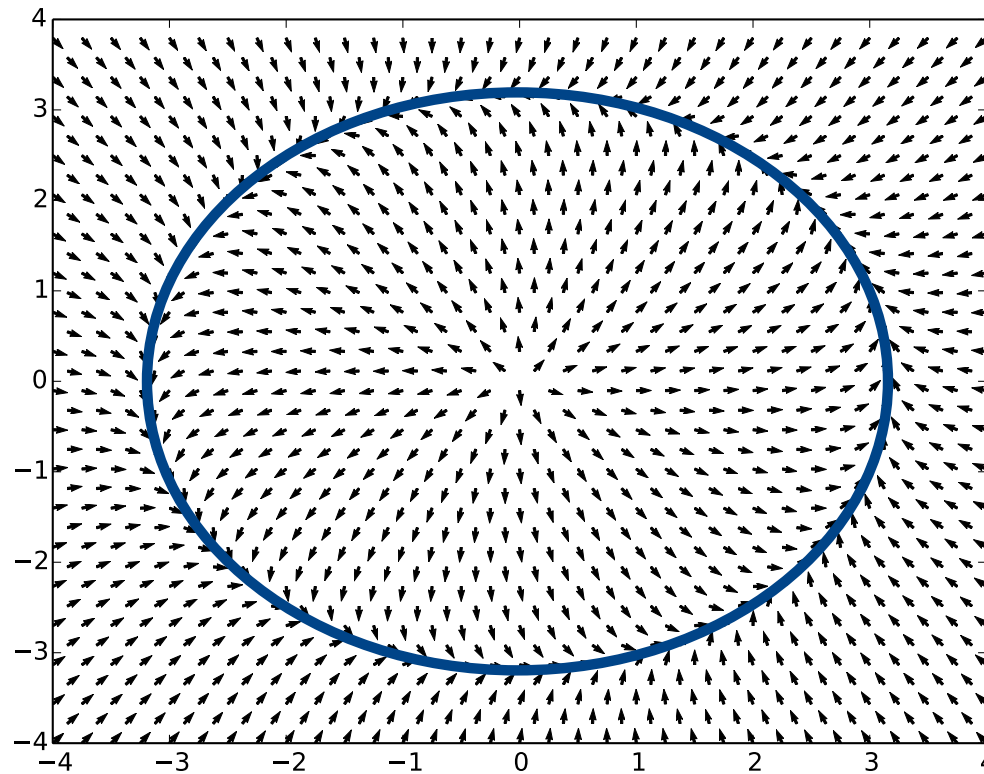
$$x' = -y + x(\lambda - x^2 - y^2)$$

$$y' = x + y(\lambda - x^2 - y^2)$$

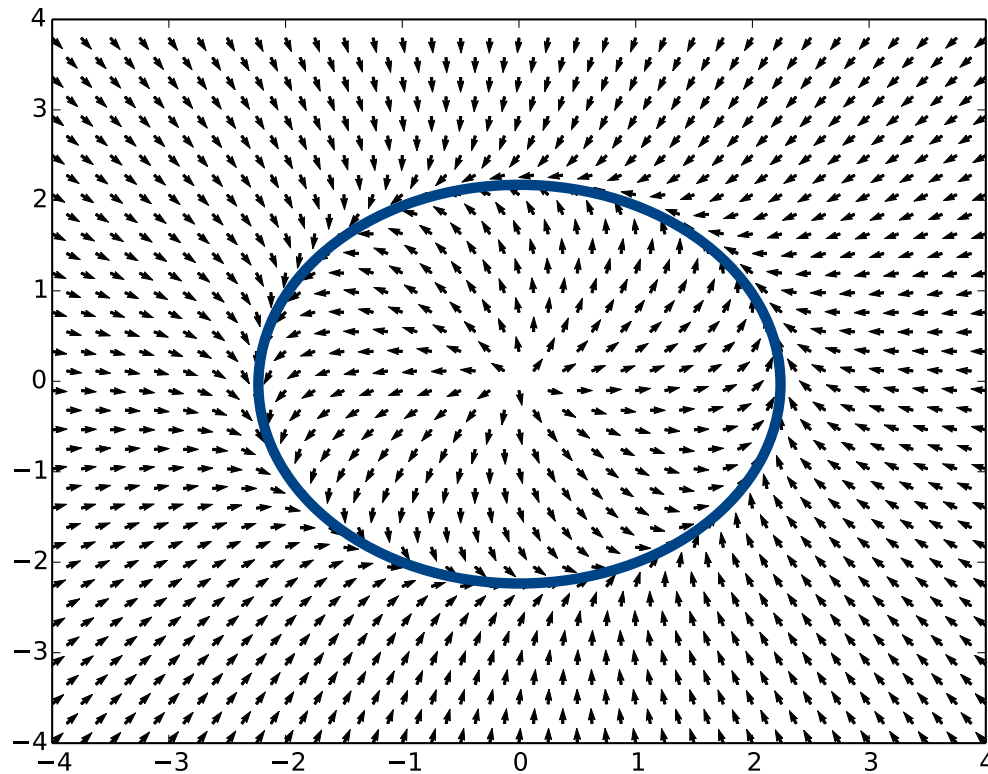
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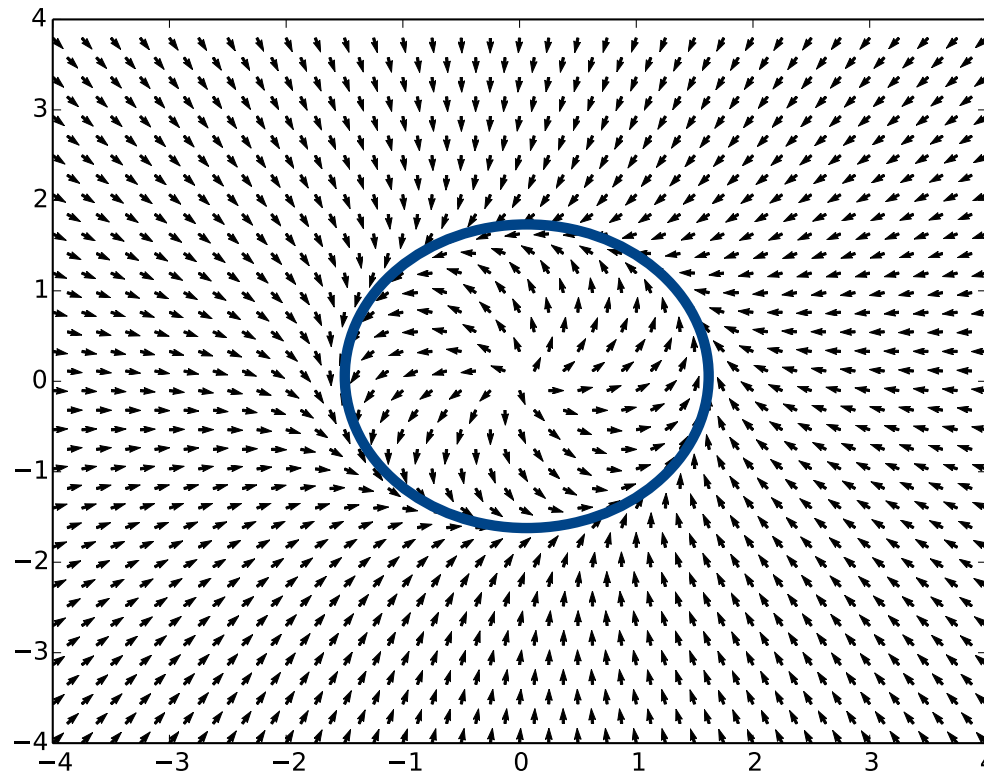
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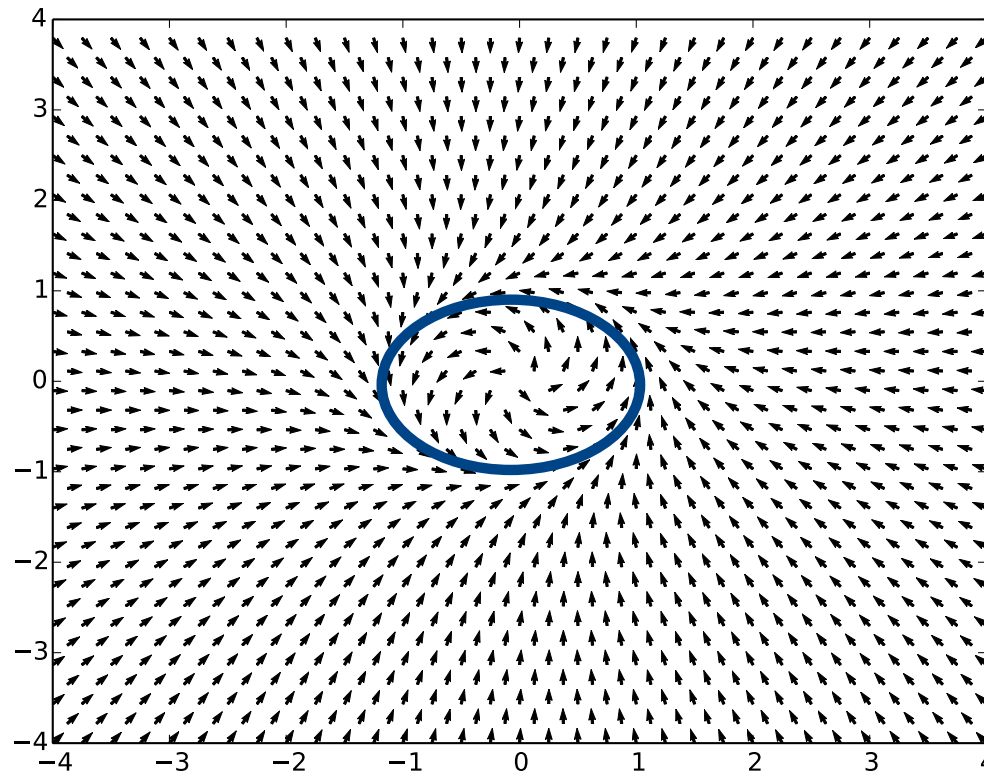
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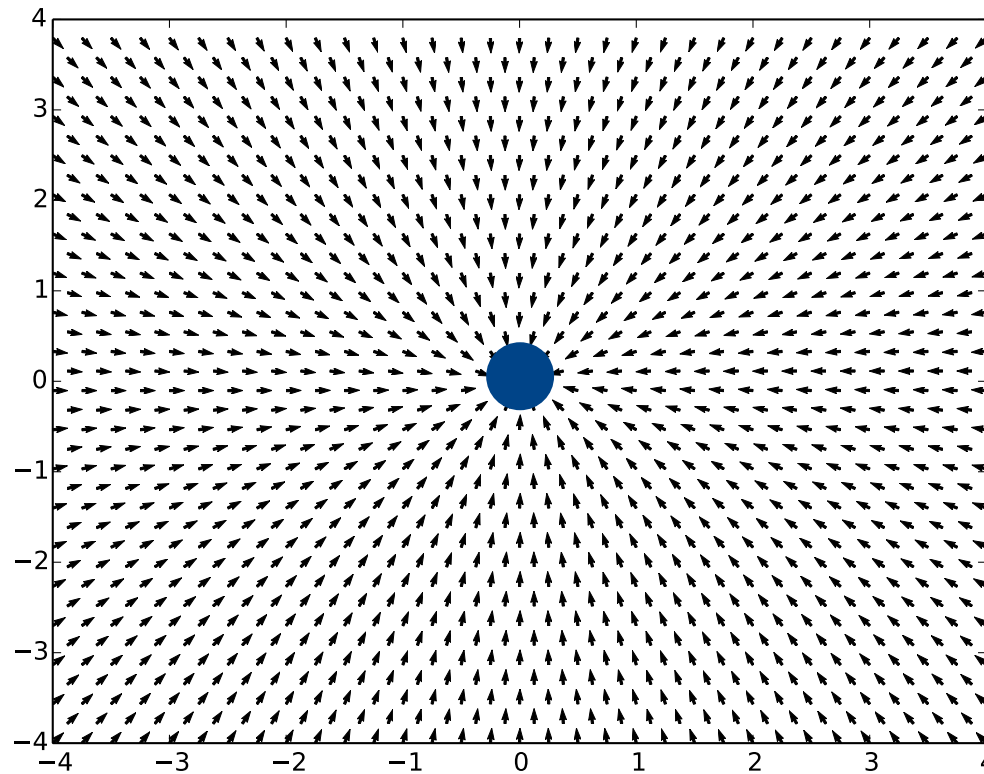
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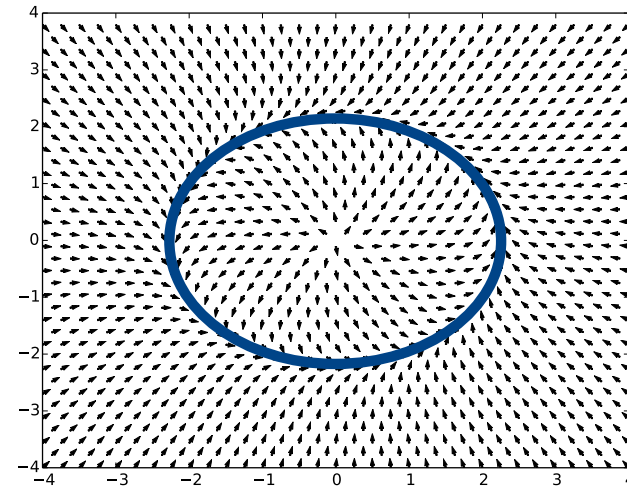
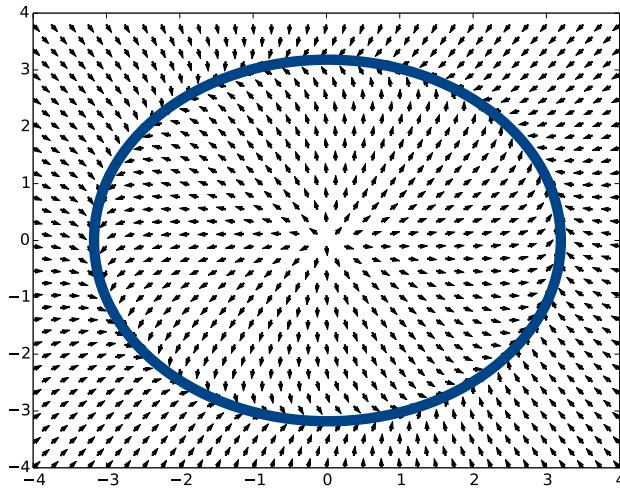
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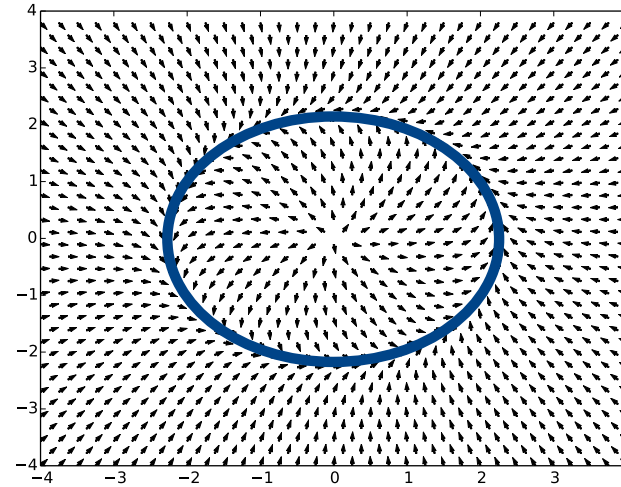
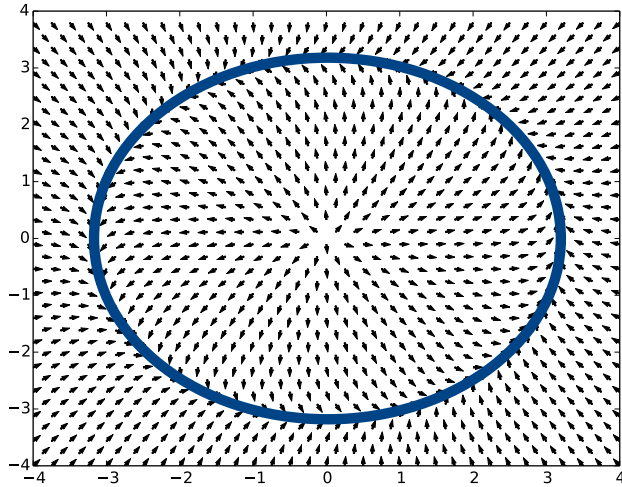


“The Same” Invariant Set



Theorem [Conley, Eaton, '71]: If f is a flow and N is an isolating neighborhood for f , and if f' is a sufficiently small perturbation of f , then N is an isolating neighborhood for f' .

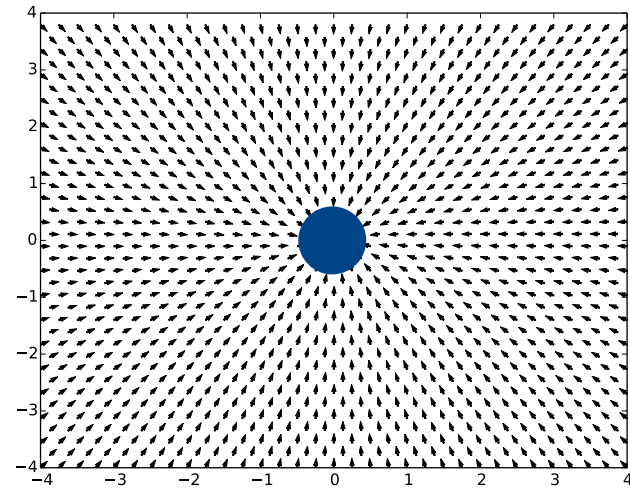
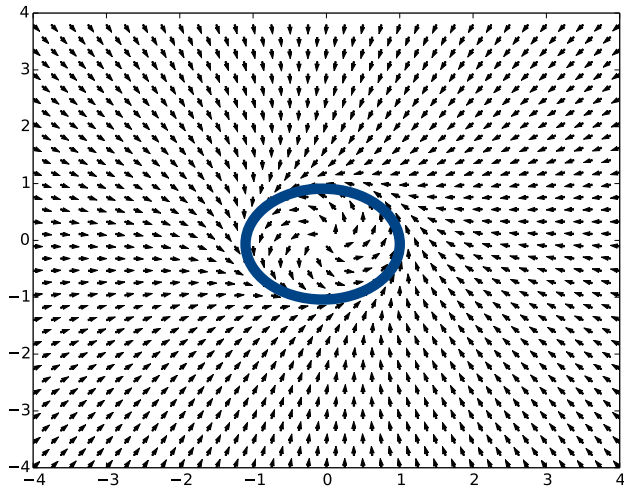
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The two invariant sets are related by a *continuation*.



Different Invariant Set



The Problem

In the combinatorial setting, can we...

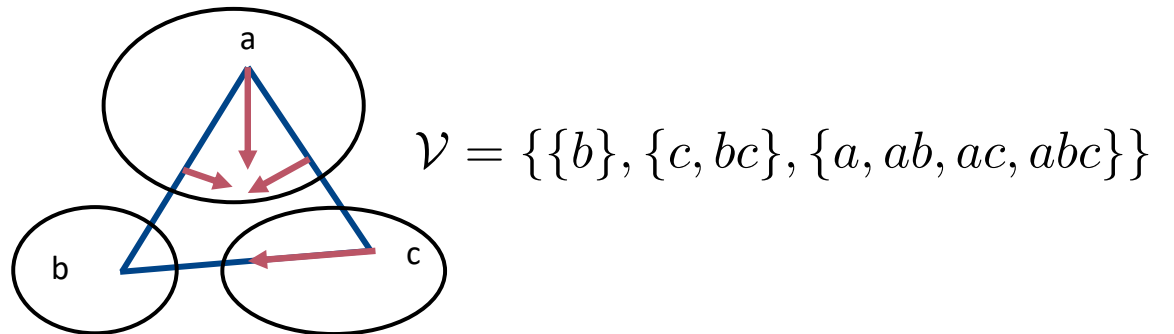
1. Track the presence of “the same” invariant set across multiple dynamical systems?
2. Use persistence to continue tracking in the case of a bifurcation (or a reverse-bifurcation)?

Multivectors

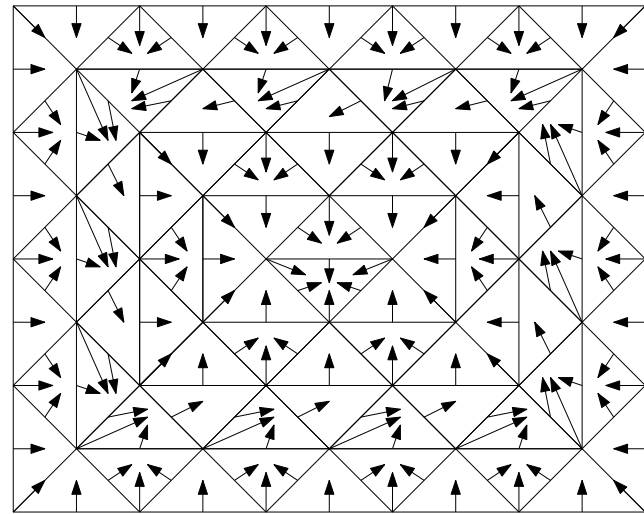
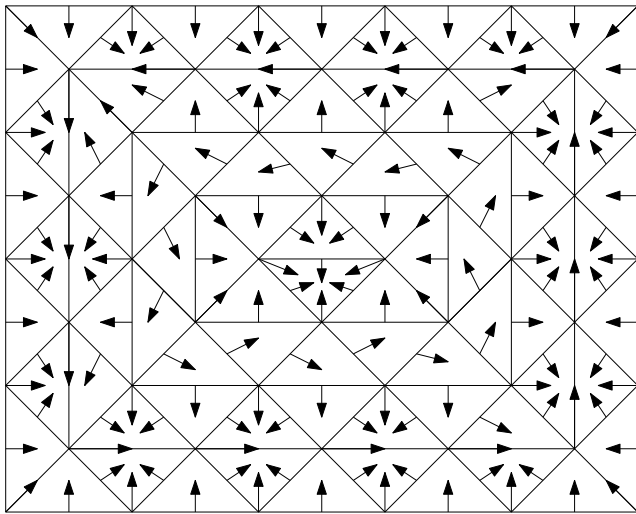
Let K denote a simplicial complex and \leq denote the face relation.

Definition: A multivector V is a convex subset of K with respect to \leq .

Definition: A multivector field \mathcal{V} is a partition of K into multivectors.



Multivector Fields



Multivector Fields as a Dynamical System

Let $\sigma \in K$. Then $\text{cl}(\sigma) = \{\tau \in K \mid \tau \leq \sigma\}$.

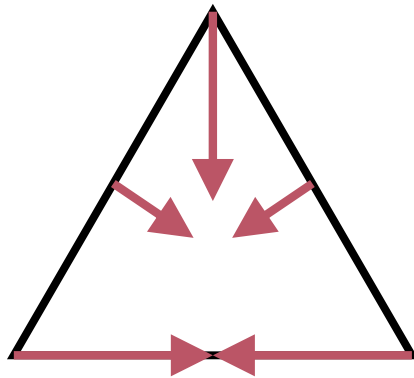
$[\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}}$ denotes the vector in \mathcal{V} containing σ

Dynamics generator $F_{\mathcal{V}} : K \rightarrow K$ defined as:

$$F_{\mathcal{V}}(\sigma) = [\sigma]_{\mathcal{V}} \cup \text{cl}(\sigma)$$

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Multivector field

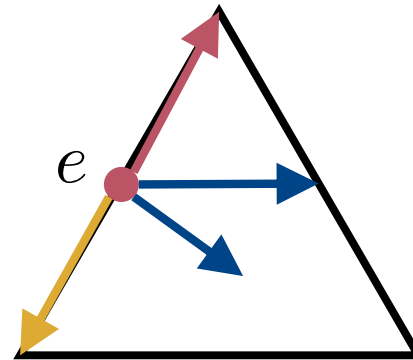


Image of marked edge e

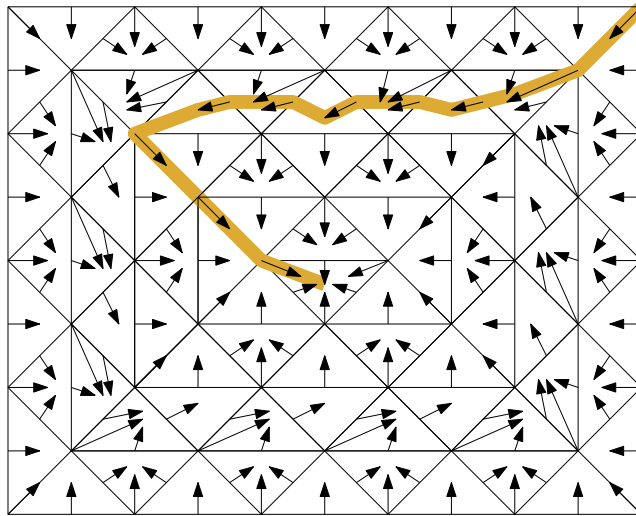
Blue simplices are in $[e]_{\mathcal{V}} \setminus \text{cl}(e)$

Yellow simplices are in $\text{cl}(e) \setminus [e]_{\mathcal{V}}$

Red simplices are in $[e]_{\mathcal{V}} \cap \text{cl}(e)$

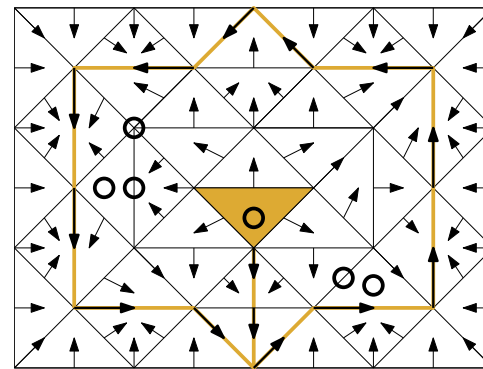
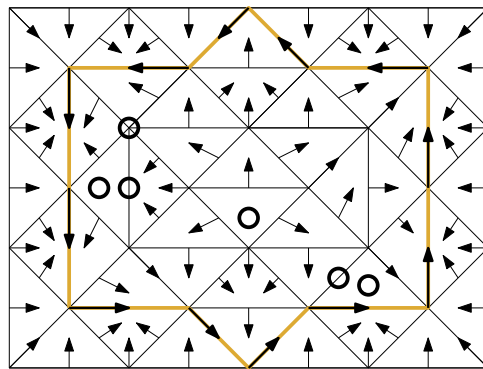
Paths

Definition: A path is a finite sequence of simplices $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n$ such that $\sigma_{i+1} \in F_{\mathcal{V}}(\sigma_i)$



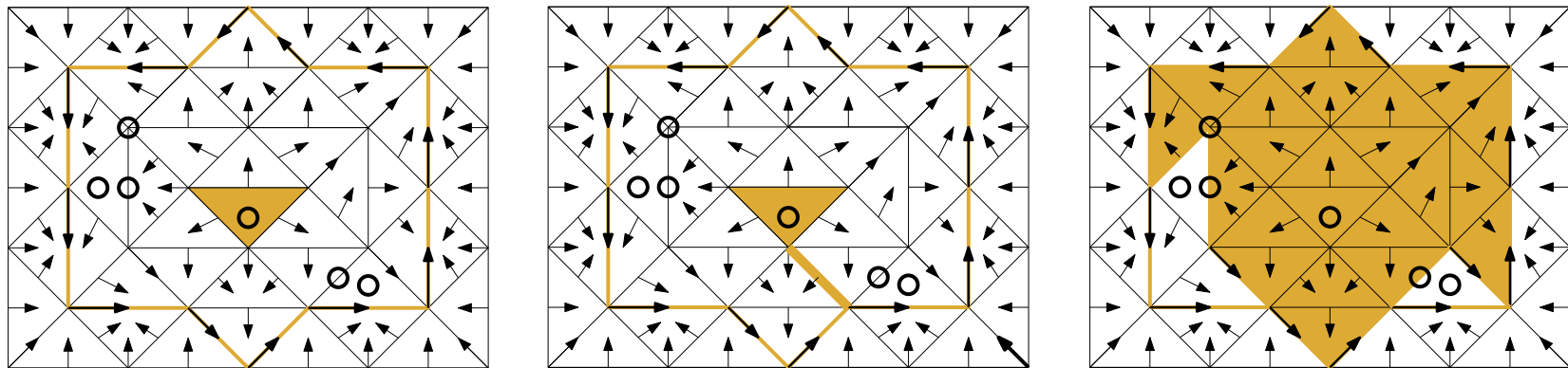
Solutions

Definition: A solution is a bi-infinite sequence of simplices $\dots, \sigma_{-1}, \sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots$ such that $\sigma_{i+1} \in F_{\mathcal{V}}(\sigma_i)$



Invariant Sets

Definition: Let $A \subseteq K$. The invariant part of A , denoted $\text{Inv}(A)$, is the set of simplices in A which appear in an essential solution in A .



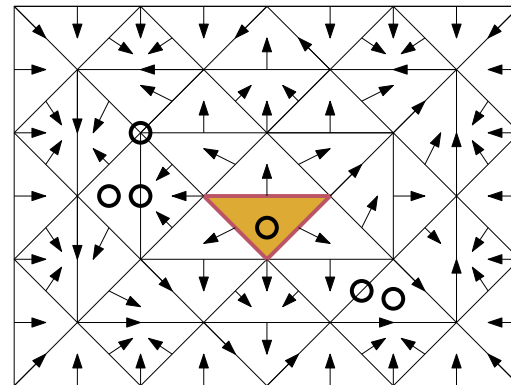
If $A = \text{Inv}(A)$, then A is an invariant set.

Index Pairs

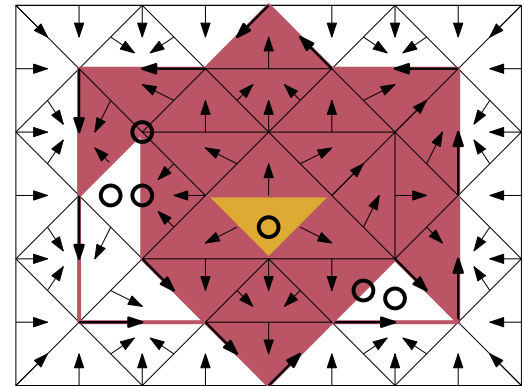
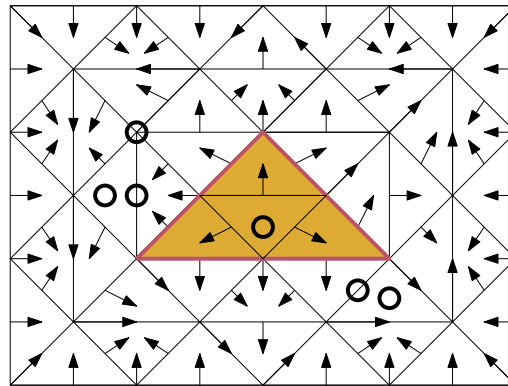
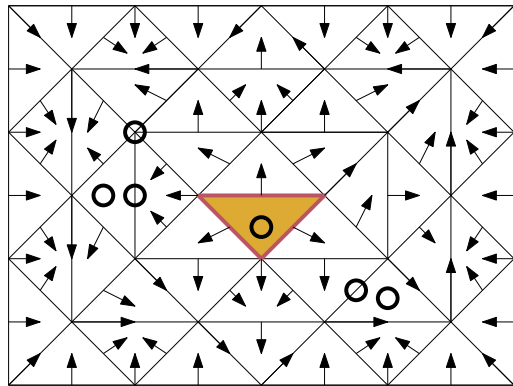
Definition: Let A be an isolated invariant set, and E and P closed sets such that $E \subseteq P$. If:

1. $F_V(E) \cap P \subset E$,
2. $F_V(P \setminus E) \subseteq P$, and
3. $A = \text{Inv}(P \setminus E)$

Then (P, E) is an index pair for A .



Index Pairs are Not Unique

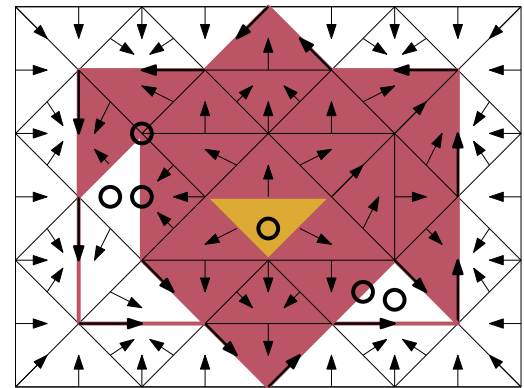
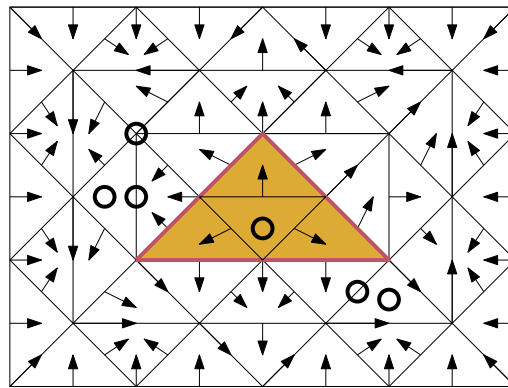
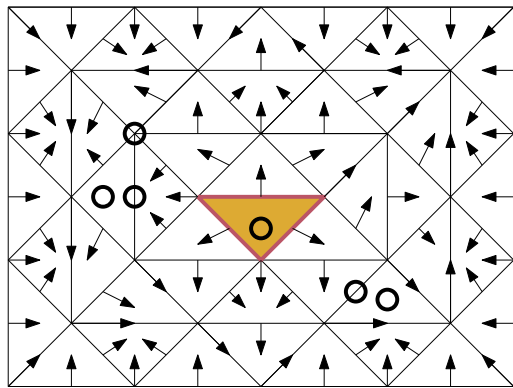


Conley Index

Definition: Let (P, E) be an index pair for A . Then the k -dimensional Conley Index is given by $H_k(P, E)$.

Theorem [LKMW 2019]: The k -dimensional Conley Index for A is well defined.

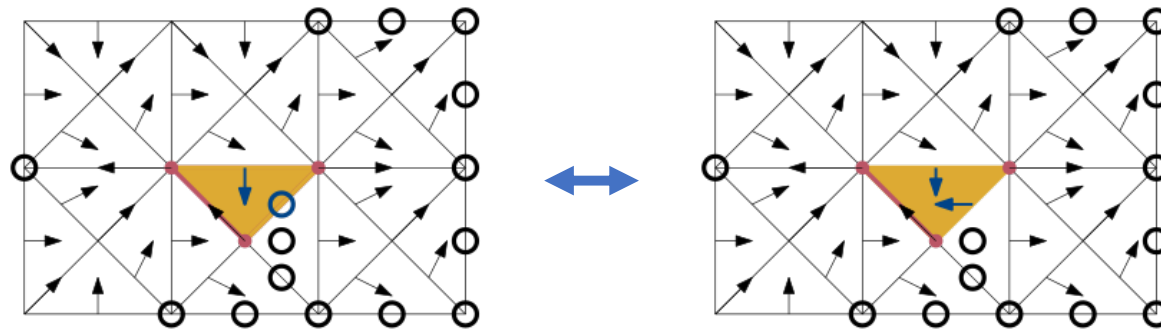
Conley Indices



$$H_2(R \cup Y, R) = \mathbb{Z}_2$$

Combinatorial Continuation

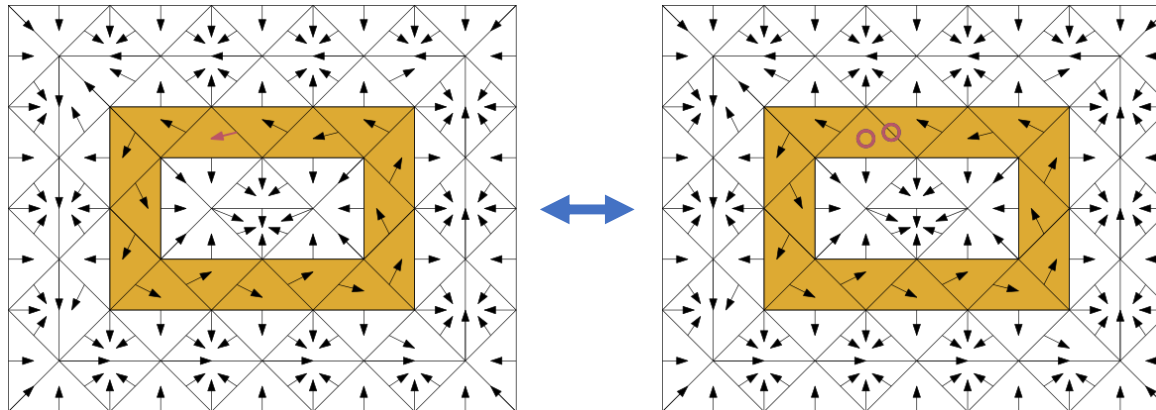
Definition: A sequence of isolated invariant sets is a *continuation* if there is a common index pair for each consecutive pair in the sequence.



Small Perturbations

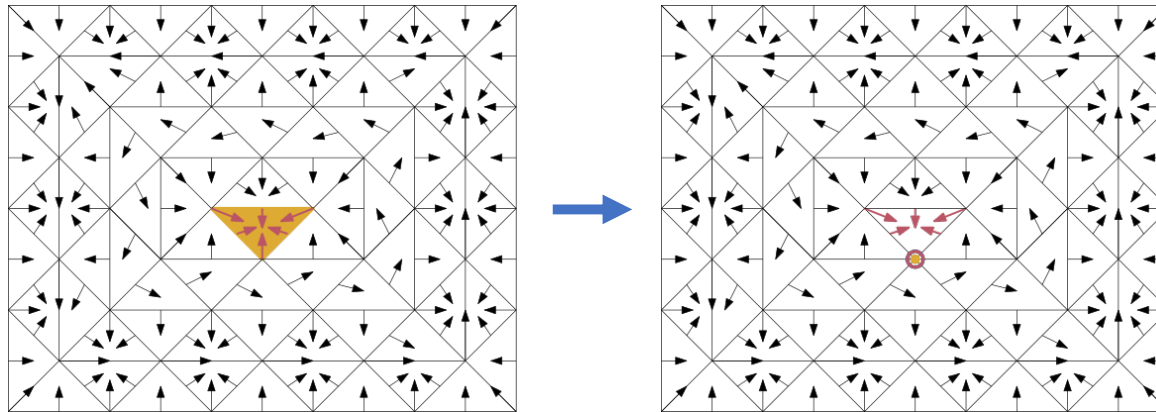
Definition: Let \mathcal{V} denote a multivector field. The multivector field \mathcal{V}' is an *atomic refinement* of \mathcal{V} if $|\mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{V}'| = 1$ and $|\mathcal{V}' \setminus \mathcal{V}| = 2$. Symmetrically, \mathcal{V} is an *atomic coarsening* of \mathcal{V}' .

Theorem[DLMS22]: Every pair of multivector fields can be transformed into each other by a sequence of atomic rearrangements.



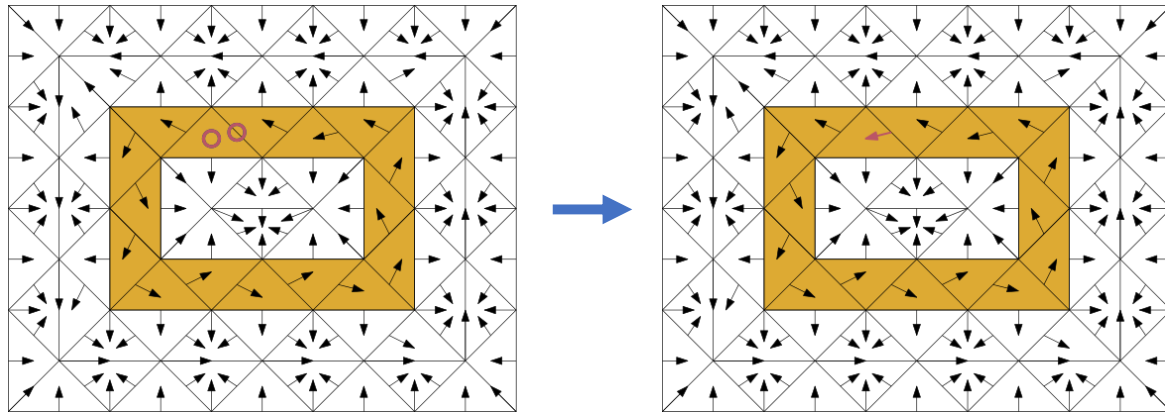
Tracking with Continuation: Case 1

Theorem[DLMS22]: Let S denote an isolated invariant set under \mathcal{V} , and let \mathcal{V}' denote an atomic refinement of \mathcal{V} . Then $\text{Inv}_{\mathcal{V}'}(S)$ is an invariant set and $(\text{cl}(S), \text{mo}(S))$ is an index pair for both.



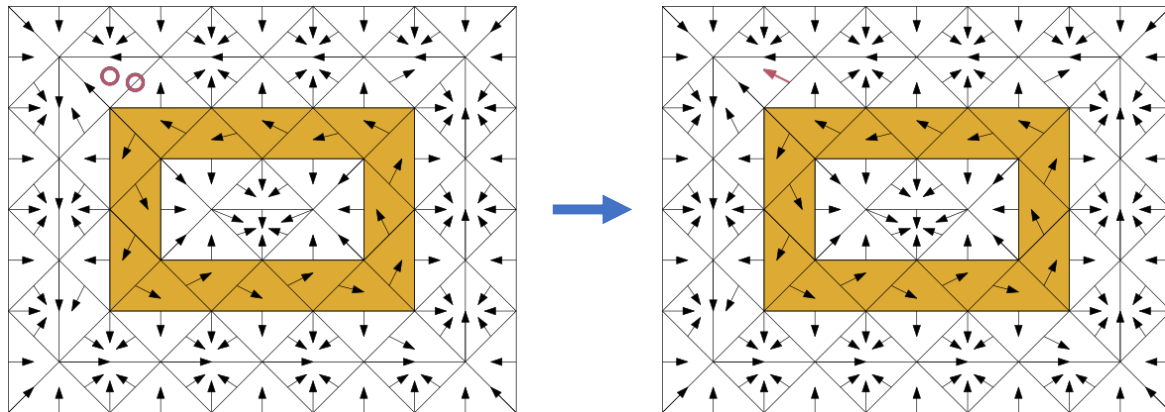
Tracking with Continuation: Case 2

Theorem[DLMS22]: Let S denote an isolated invariant set under \mathcal{V} , and let \mathcal{V}' denote an atomic coarsening of \mathcal{V} where the unique bifurcating multivector is contained in S . Then $\text{Inv}_{\mathcal{V}'}(S)$ is an invariant set and $(\text{cl}(S), \text{mo}(S))$ is an index pair for both.



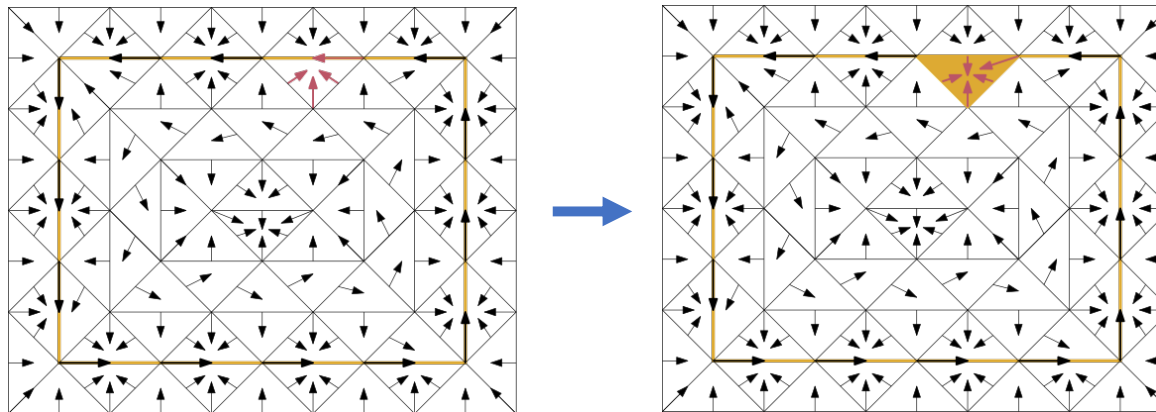
Tracking with Continuation: Case 3

Theorem[DLMS22]: Let S denote an isolated invariant set under \mathcal{V} , and let \mathcal{V}' denote an atomic coarsening of \mathcal{V} where the unique bifurcating multivector does not intersect S . Then $\text{Inv}_{\mathcal{V}'}(S)$ is an invariant set and $(\text{cl}(S), \text{mo}(S))$ is an index pair for both.

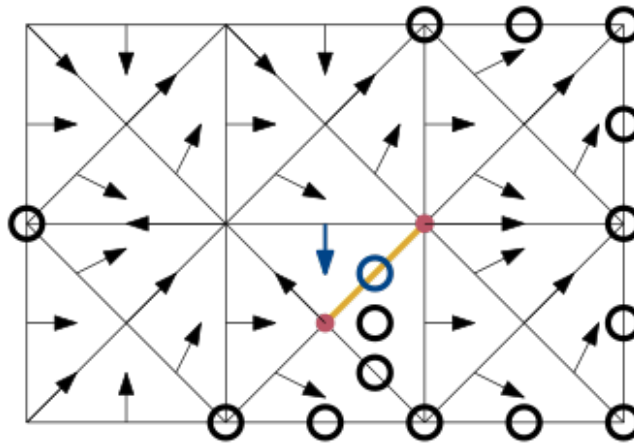


Tracking with Continuation: Case 4

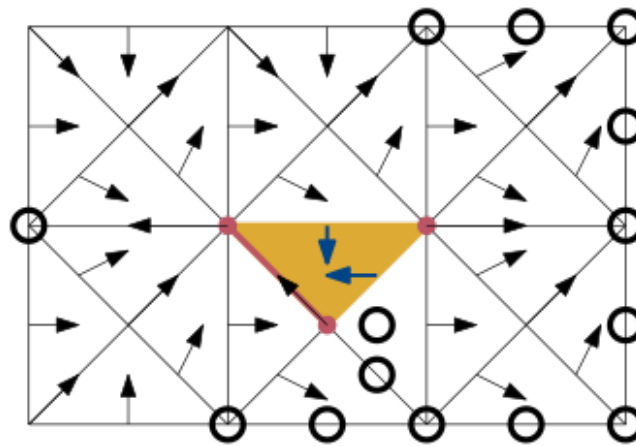
More complicated. Bifurcating vector intersects S but isn't contained in S . Let $A = \langle S \cup V \rangle_{\mathcal{V}}$ denote the minimal \mathcal{V} -compatible, convex set containing S .



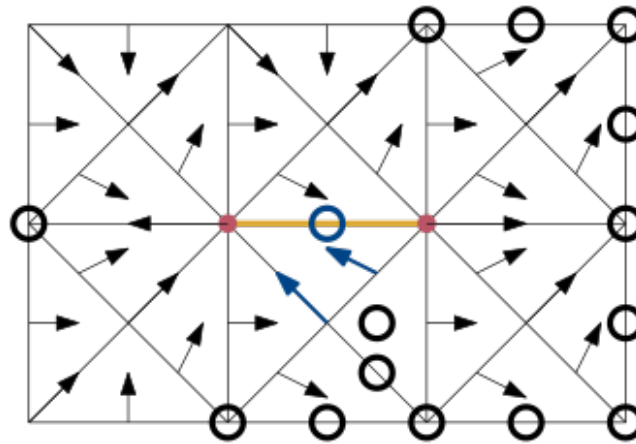
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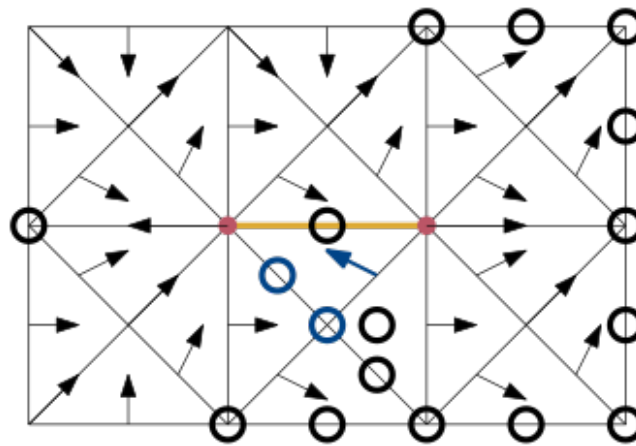
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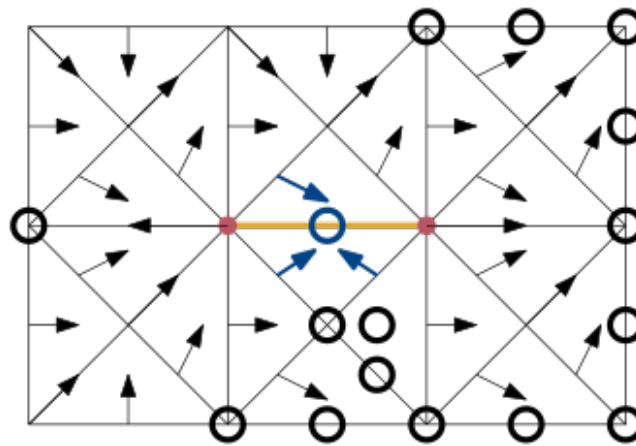
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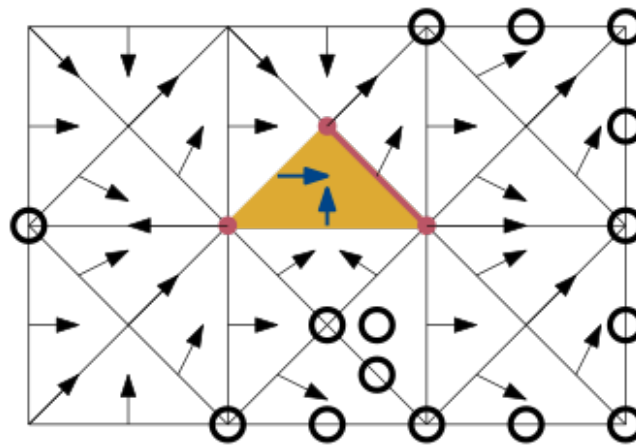
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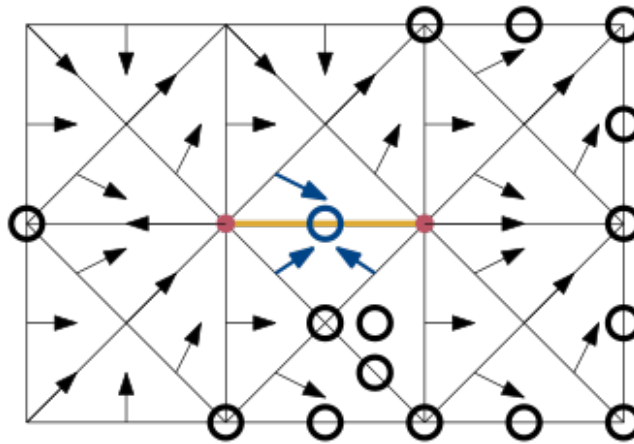
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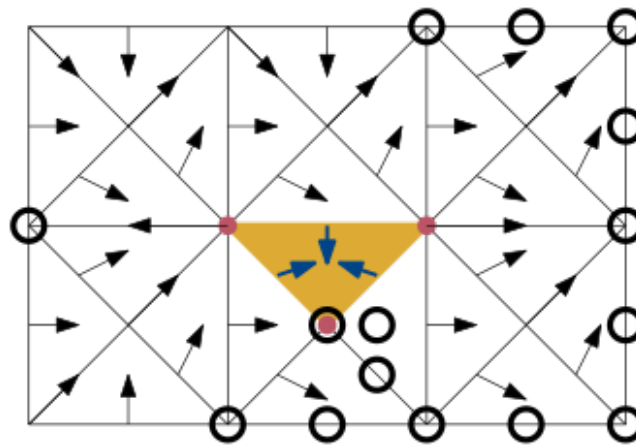
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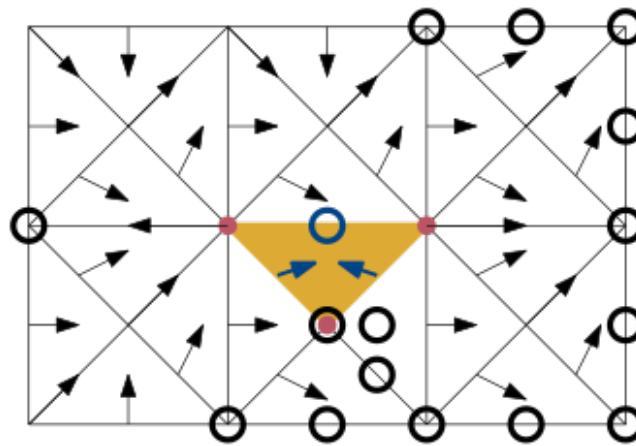


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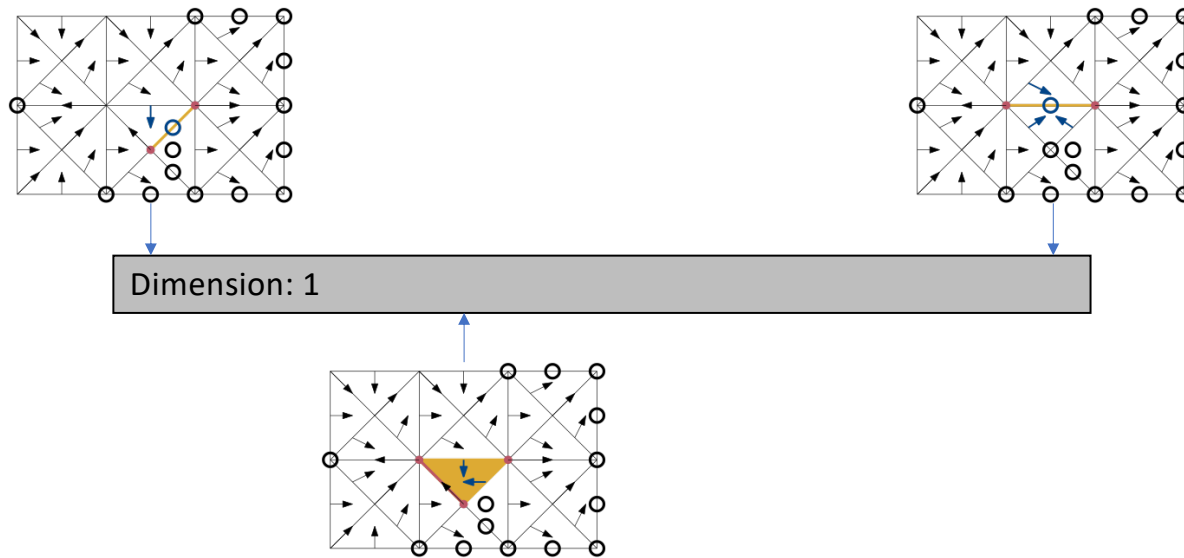
Continuation breaks!!!

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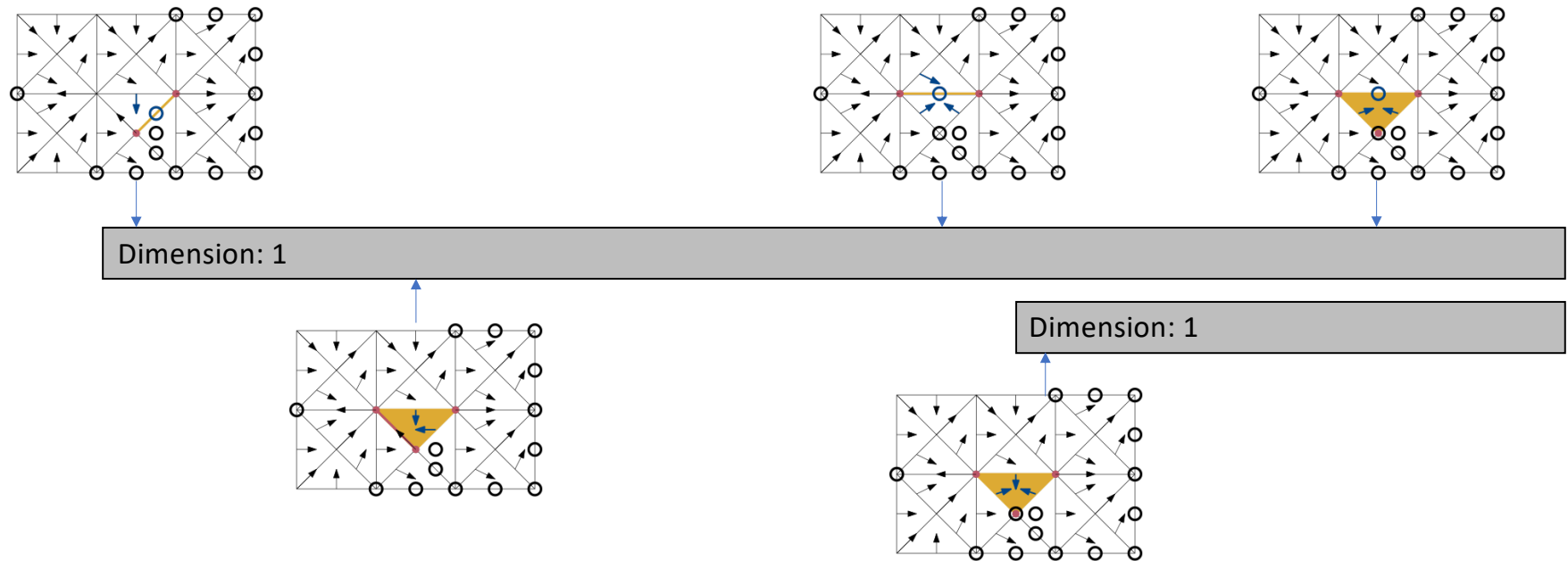
Solution: Persistence

Theorem[DLMS22]: A sequence of index pairs corresponding to a continuation can be converted to a relative zigzag filtration with a “static” barcode.



Solution: Persistence

If S and S' don't share an index pair when using case 4, compute persistence instead!



Conclusion & Future Work

- In this presentation: devised method for tracking invariant set. But...
- Order of atomic rearrangements?
- Inference?