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Topological Data Analysis of Monopole Currents in $U(1)$ Lattice Gauge Theory



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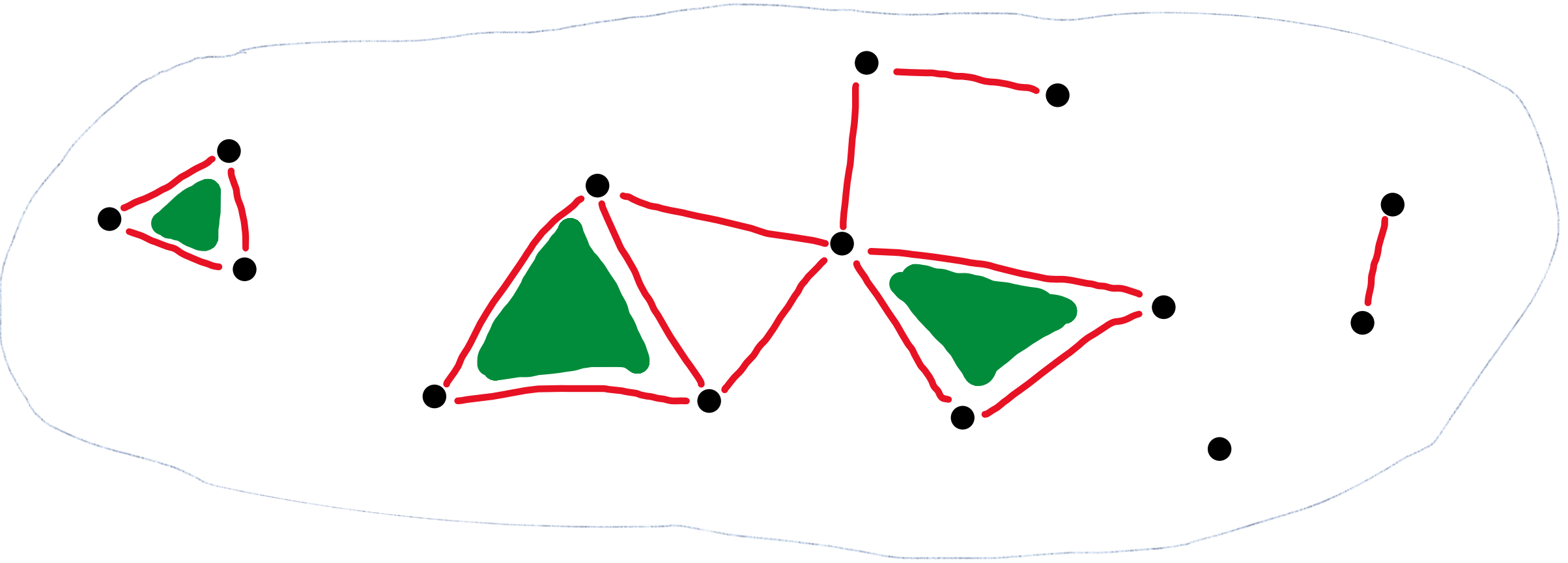
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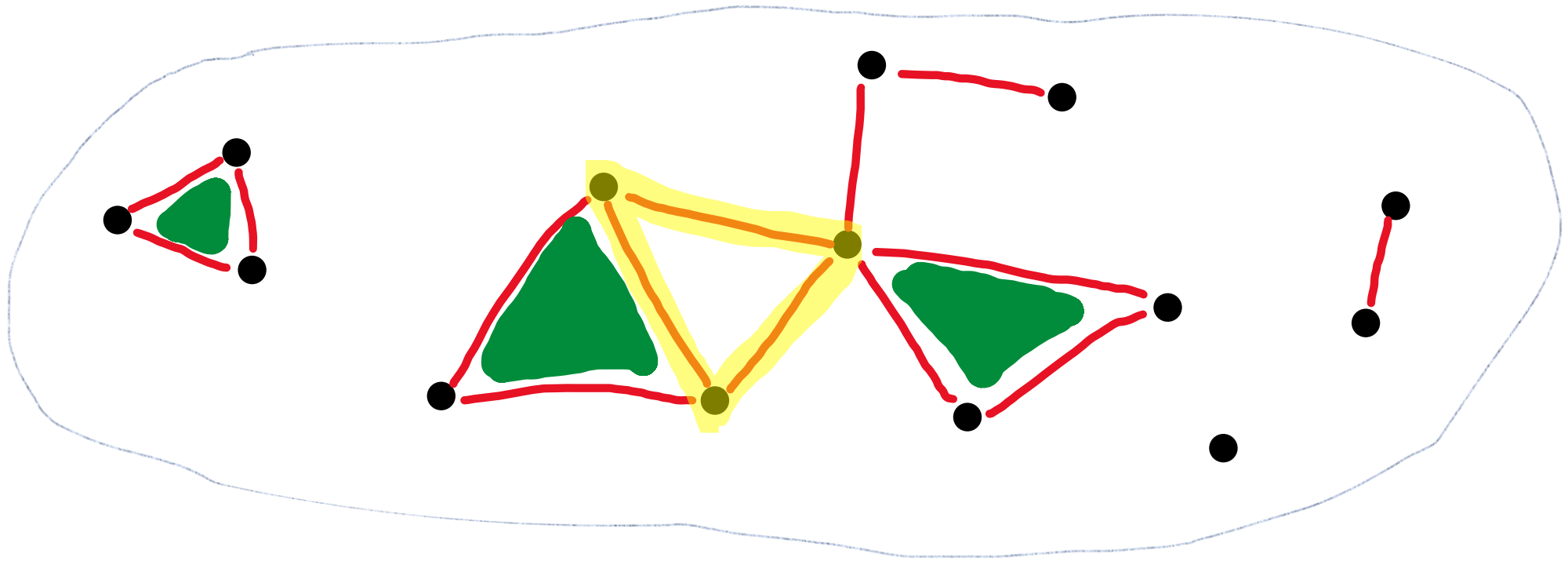
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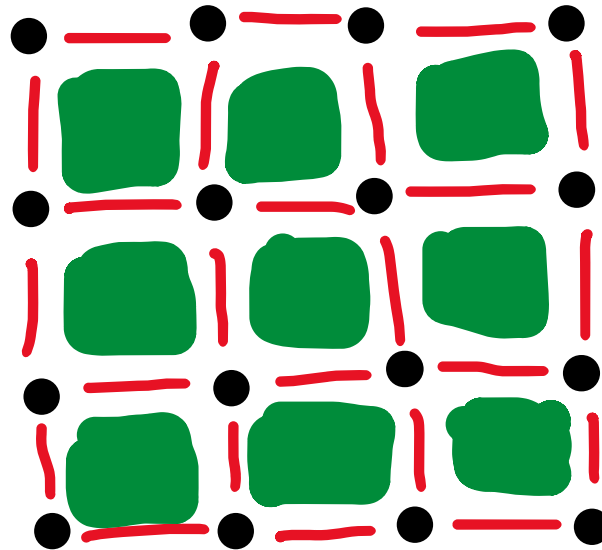
e.g. a simplicial complex





Cycle which is **not** a boundary

A 4-dimensional lattice has a natural **cubical complex**





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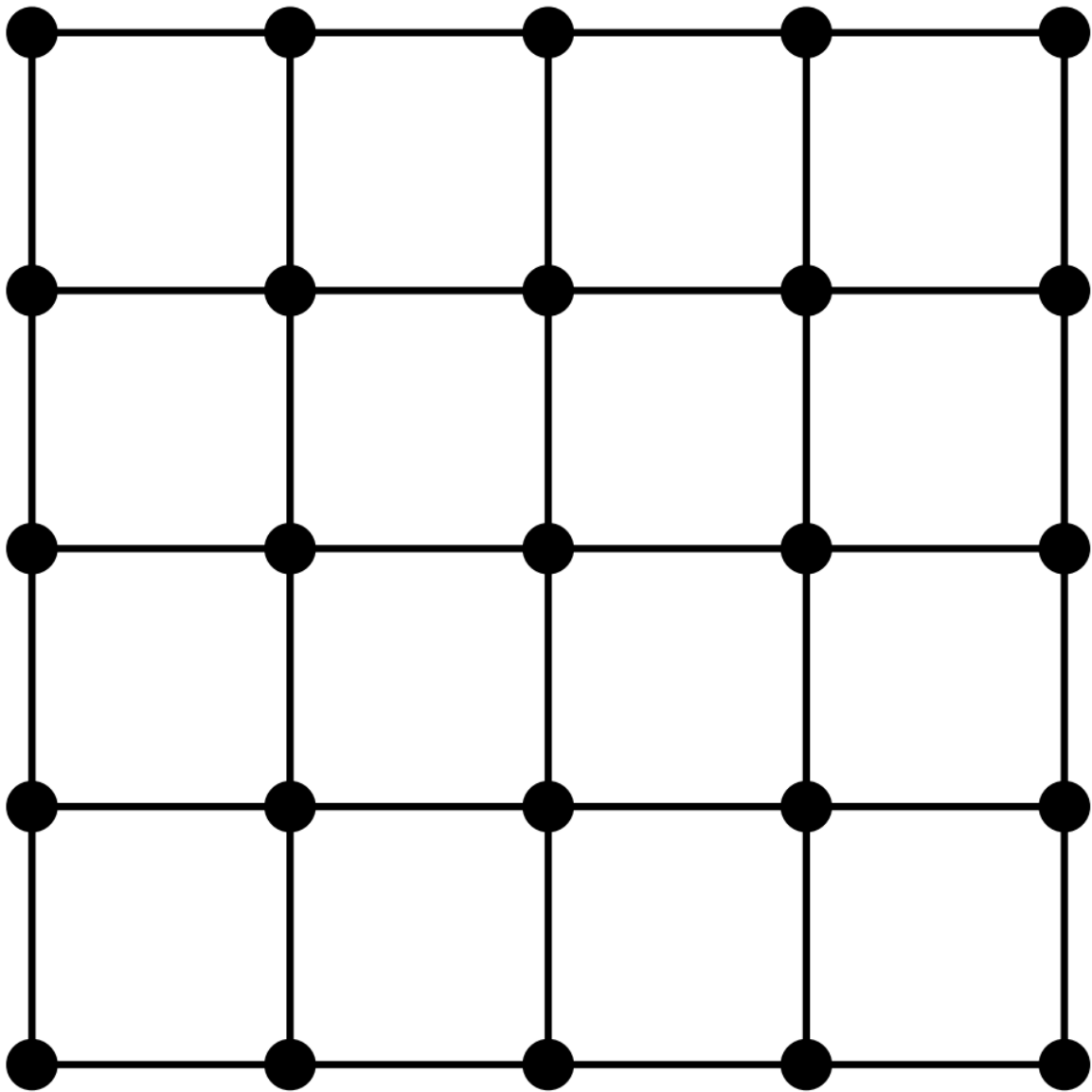
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2. Can we

**use TDA to elucidate the structures
formed by topological defects**

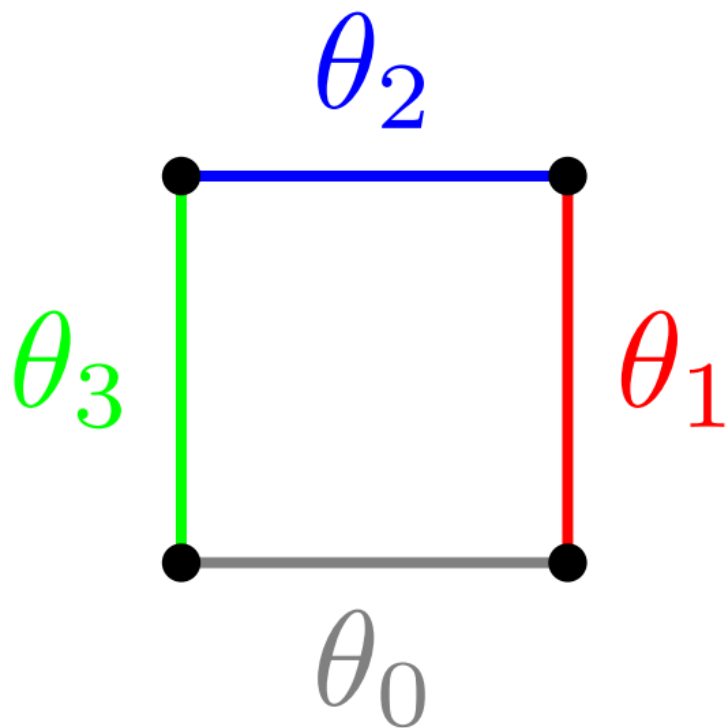
in a configuration?

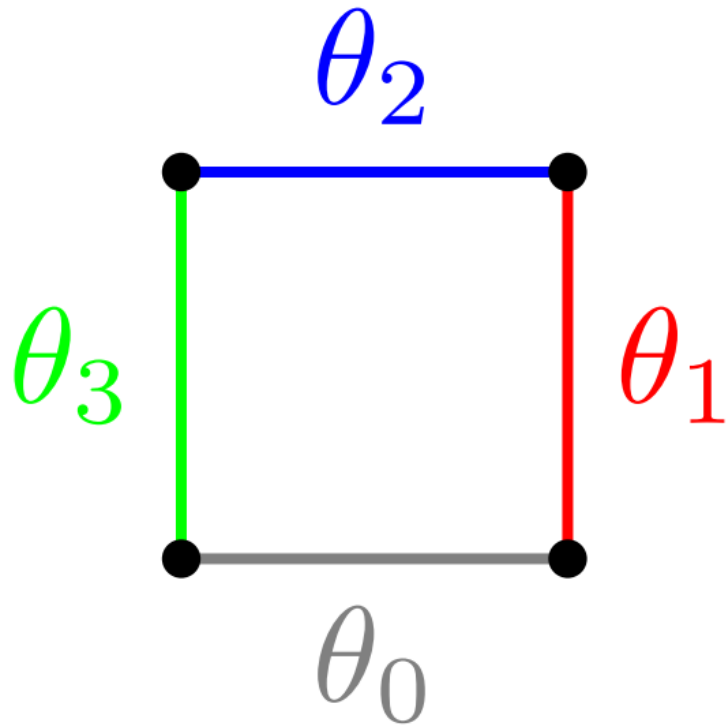
Nice Toy Model:
U(1) Lattice Gauge Theory





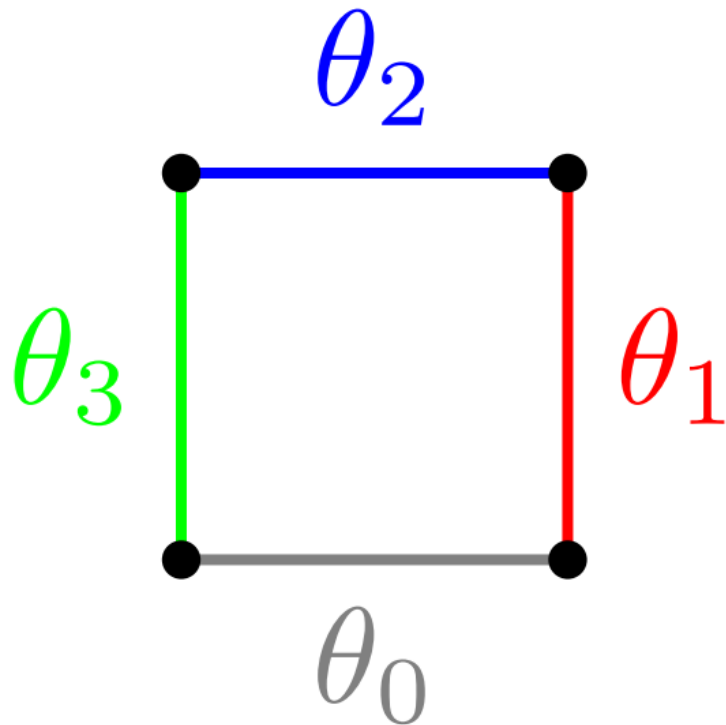
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Corresponds with **magnetic flux** through a plaquette



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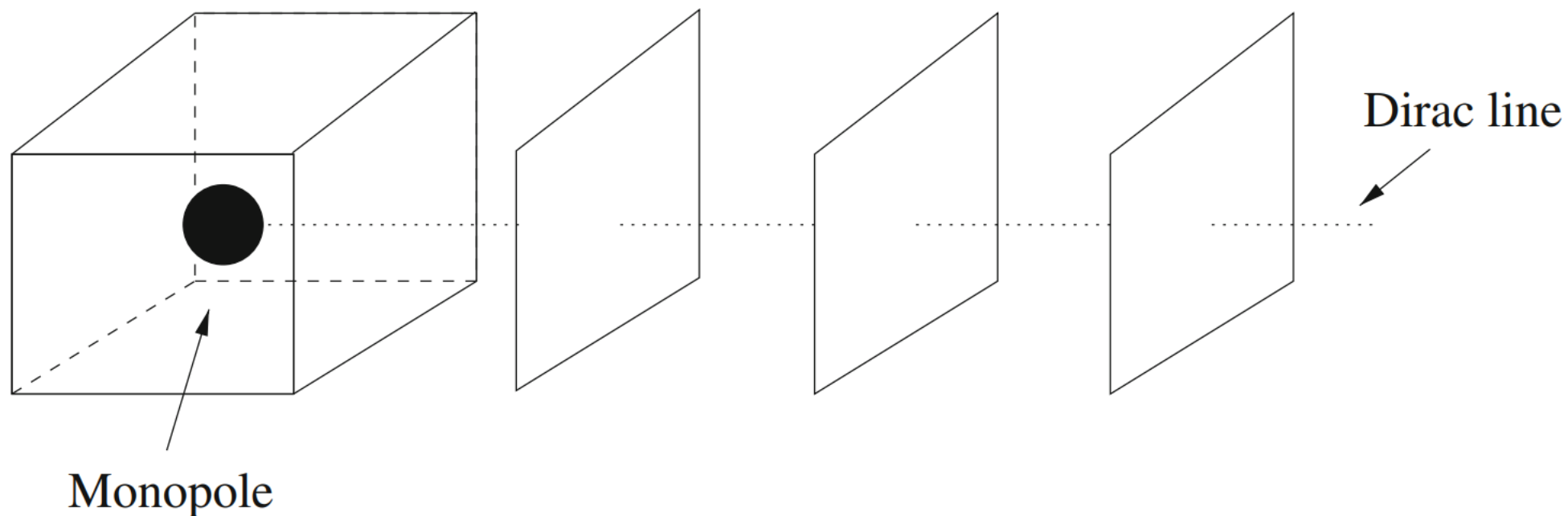
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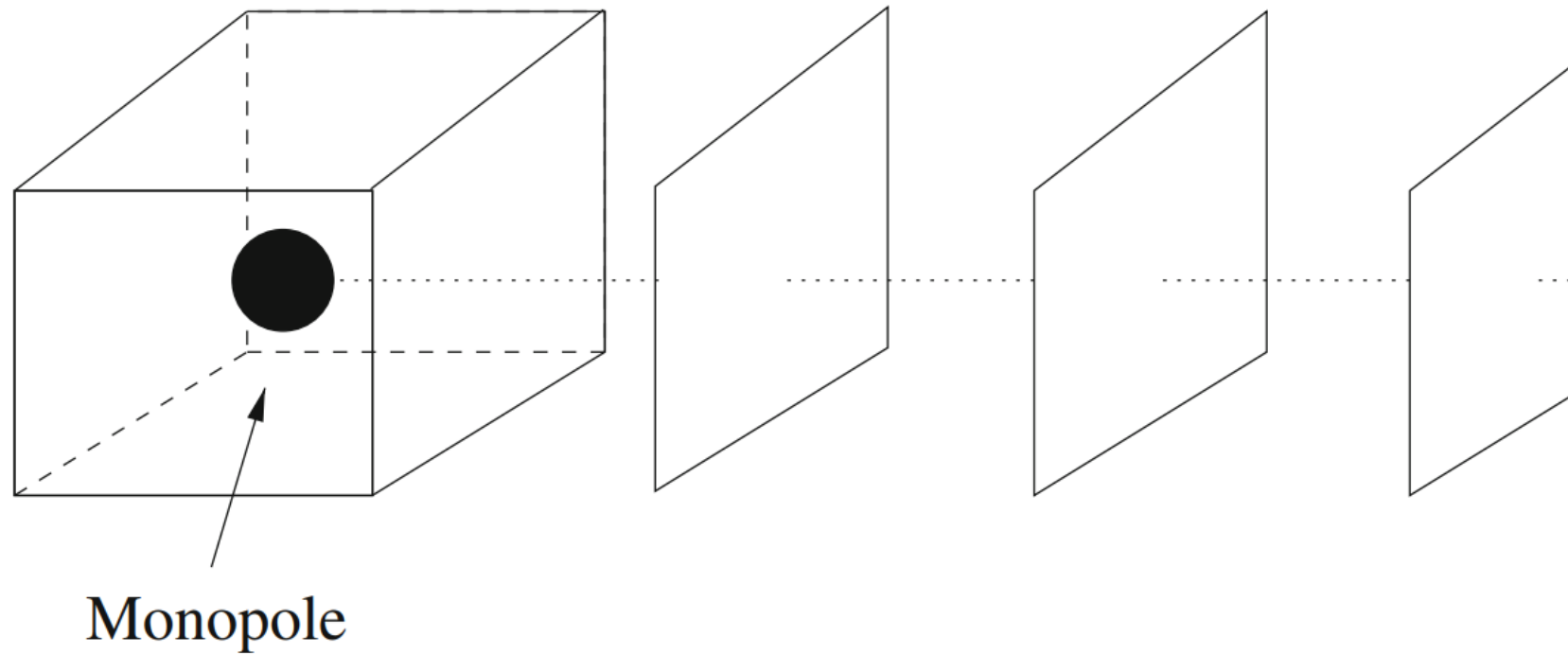
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Defines stable objects of 2π flux called “Dirac strings”



Endpoint of a Dirac string is a source of magnetic field

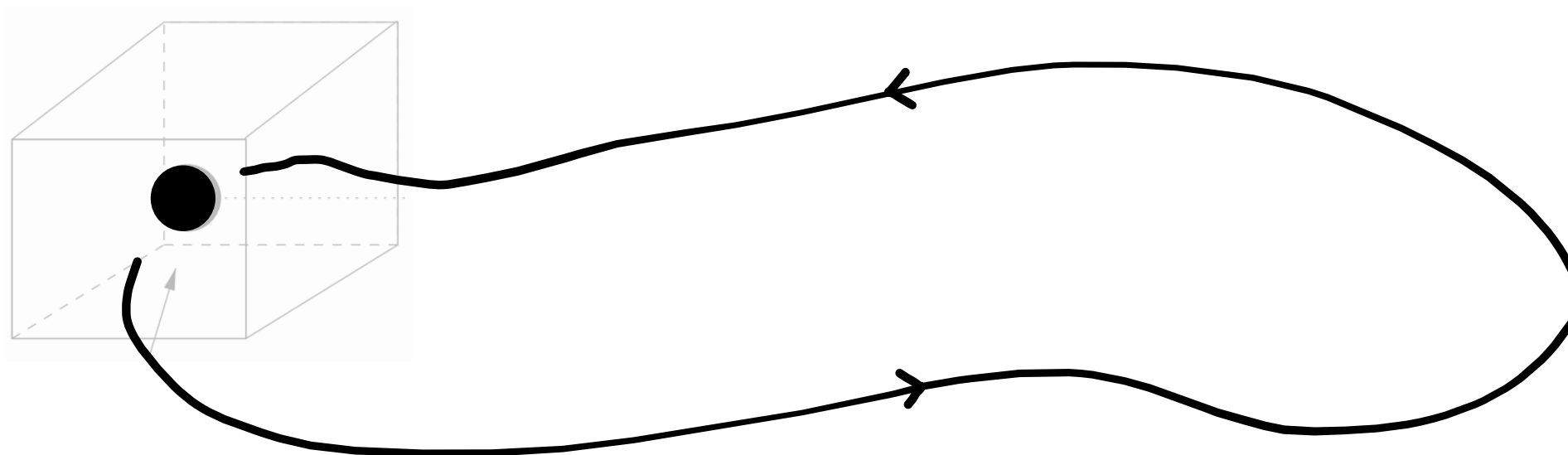


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In 3-dim, a particle-like
topological defect is detected
by measuring the flux
emanating from a unit 3-cube

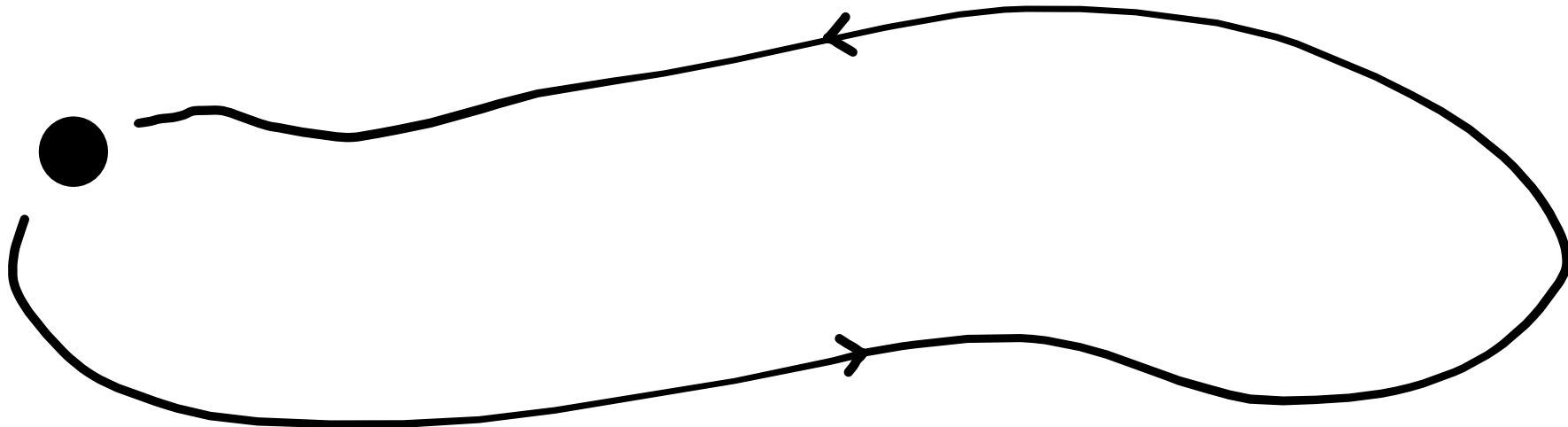
In 4 dimensions

Monopoles sweep out closed curves



monopole current

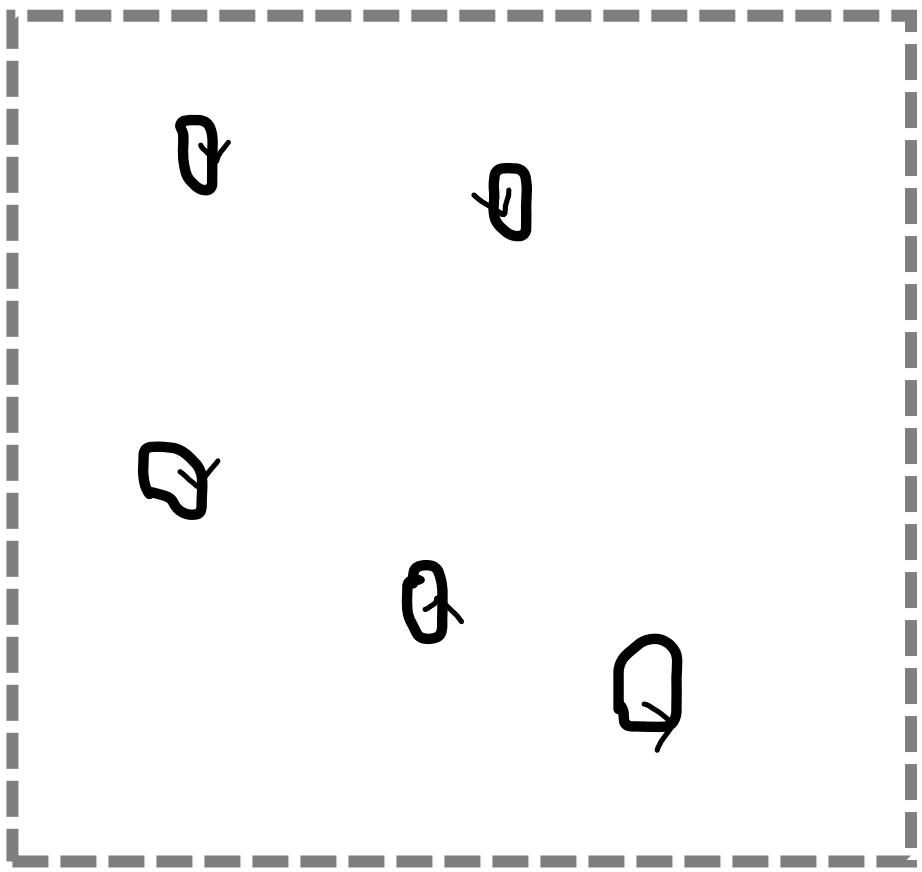
Represents creation-annihilation pair of propagating monopole-anti-monopole



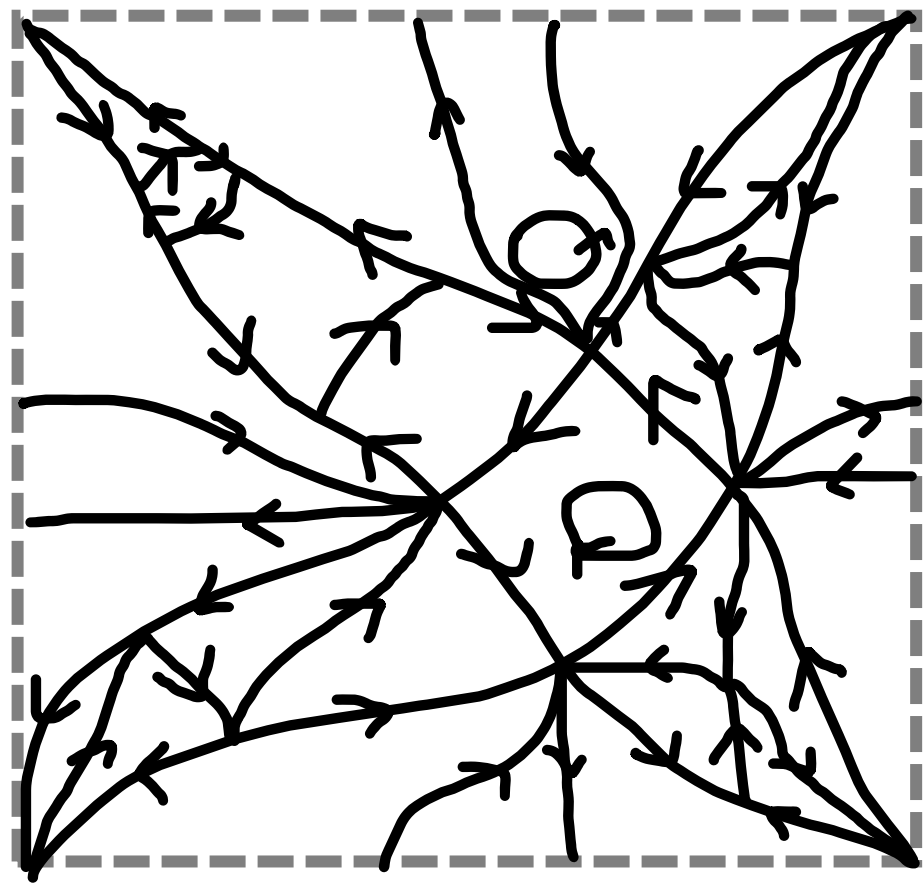


In 4 dimensions

There exists a
first-order phase transition



Deconfined Phase



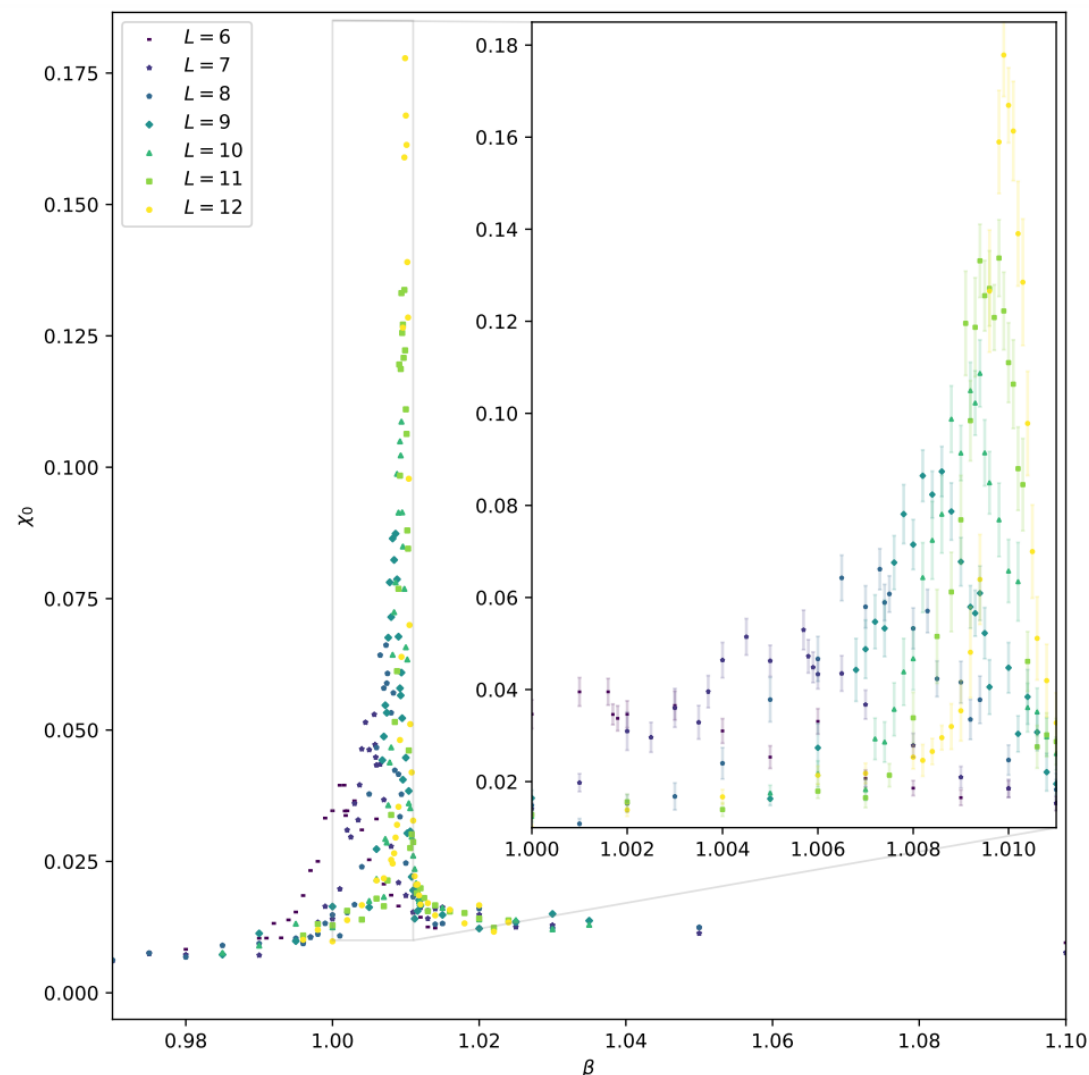
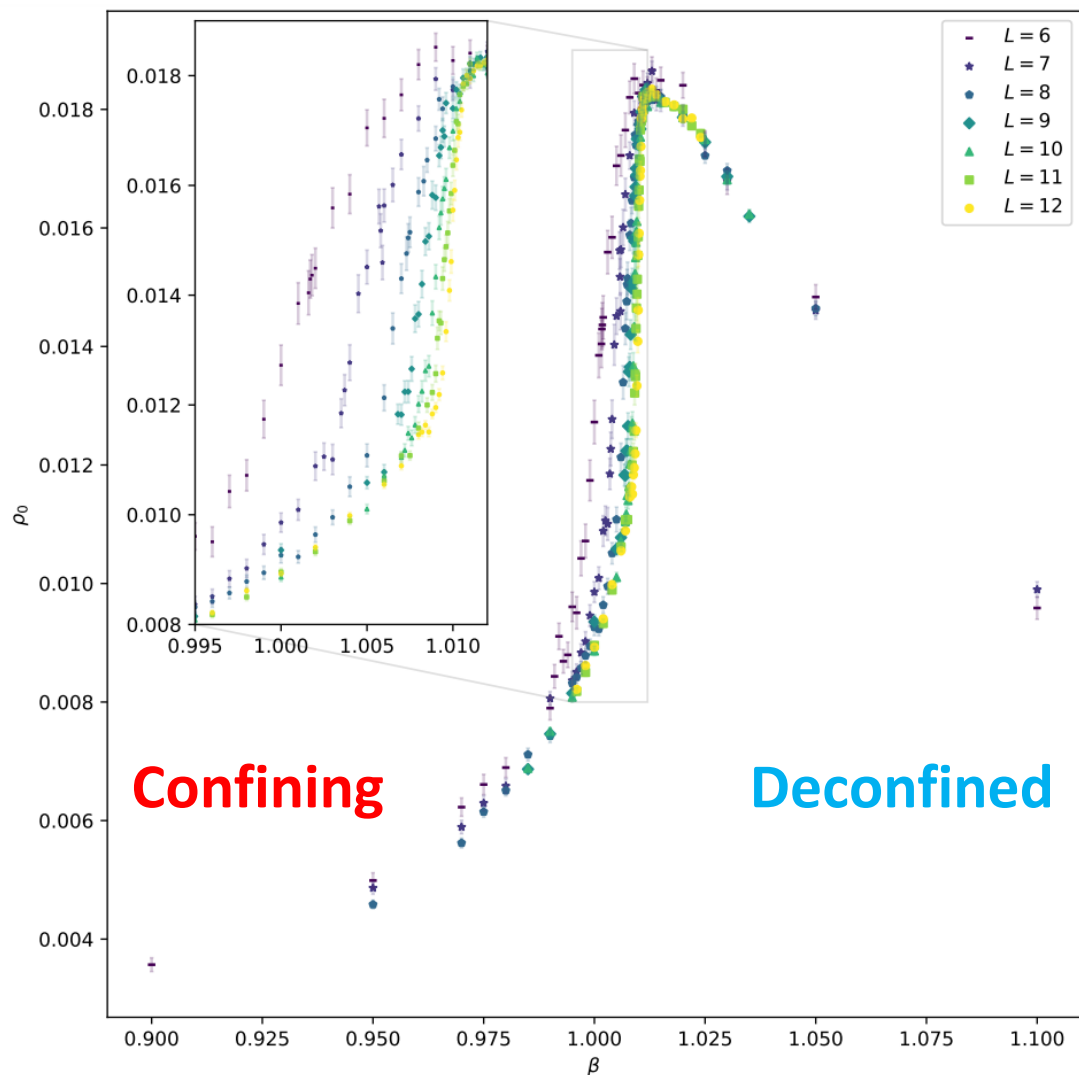
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Caveat: This schematic is a 2-dim analogue



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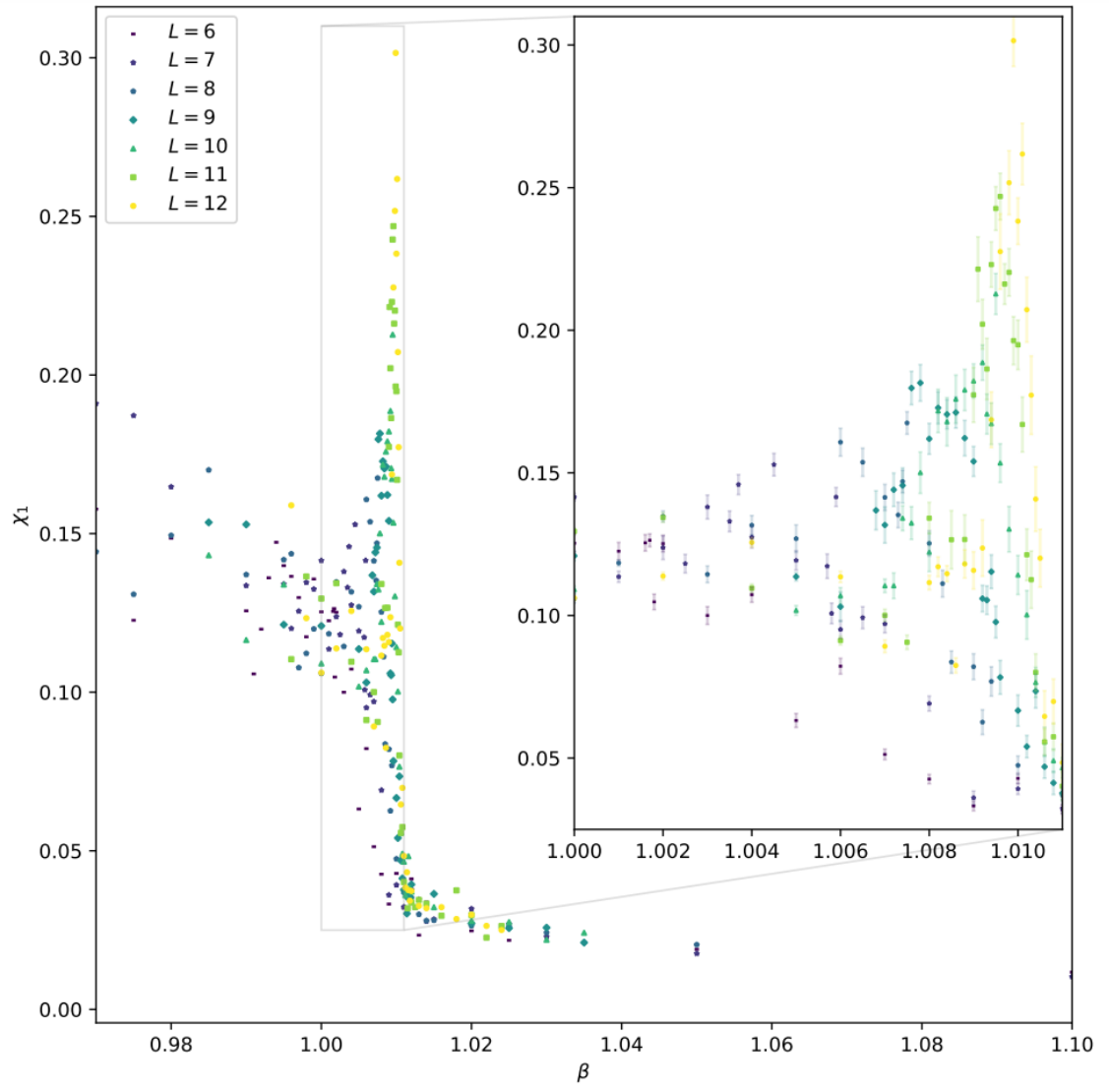
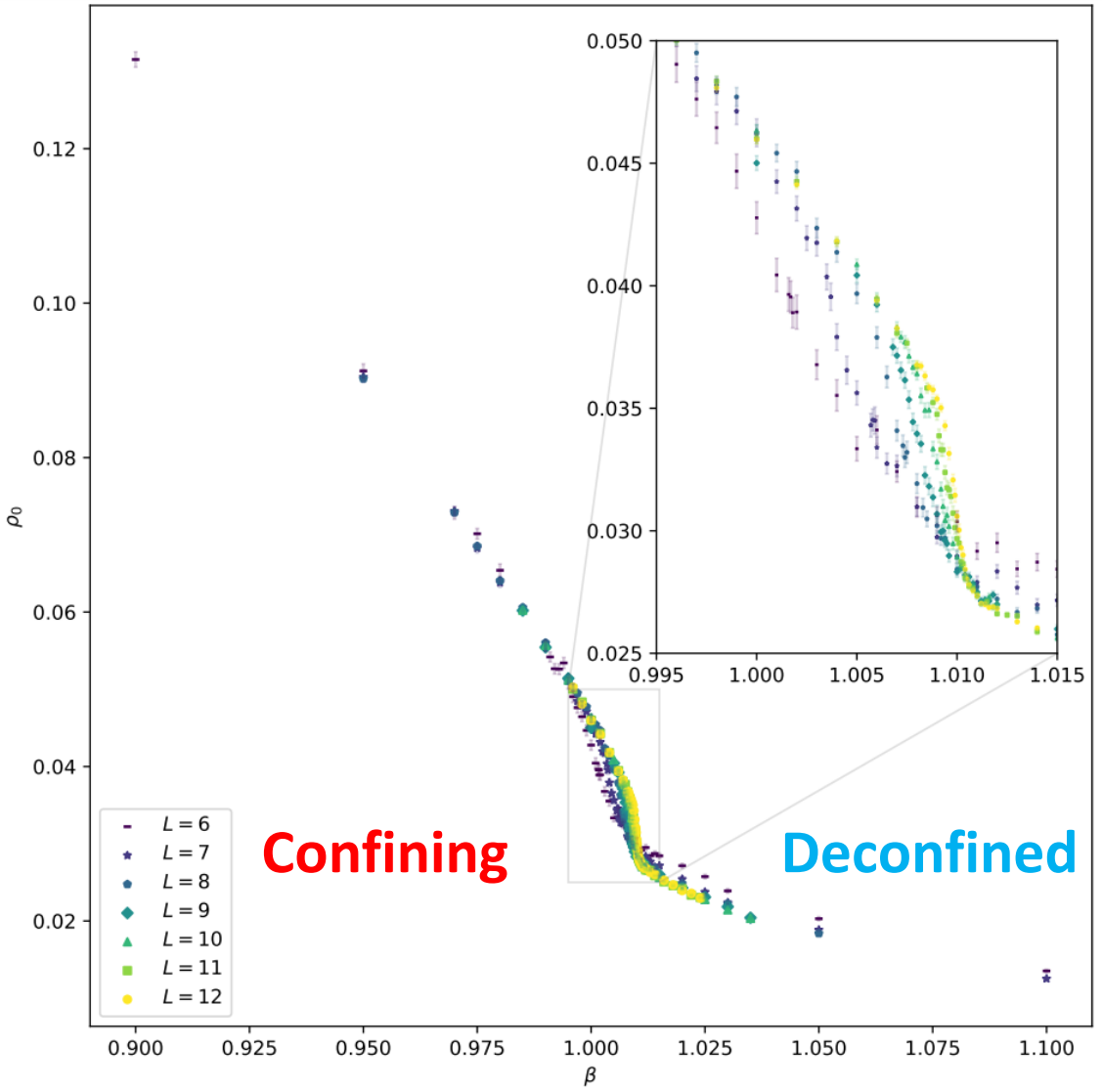
(divided by lattice volume)





H_1 (Current Network) = Number of Loops

(divided by lattice volume)



Finite size scaling analysis

$$L \rightarrow \infty$$

E	ρ_0	ρ_1
1.01071(3)	1.01076(6)	1.01076(6)

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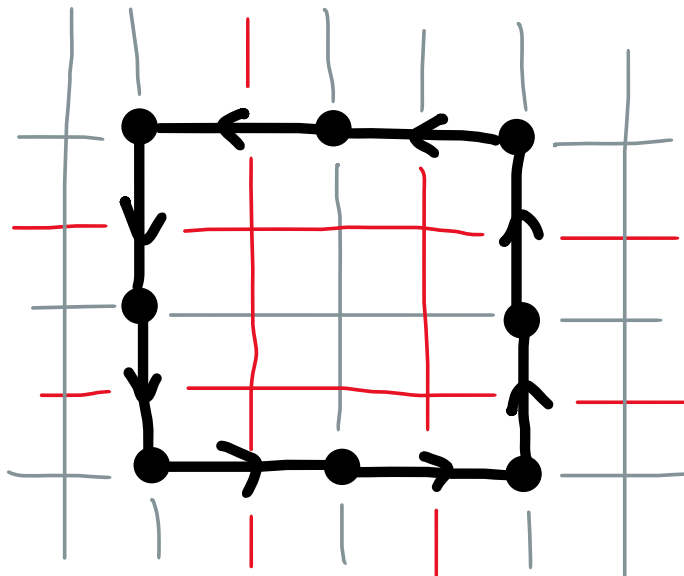
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Idea:

Expand volumes radially outwards from
1-dim monopole current strings

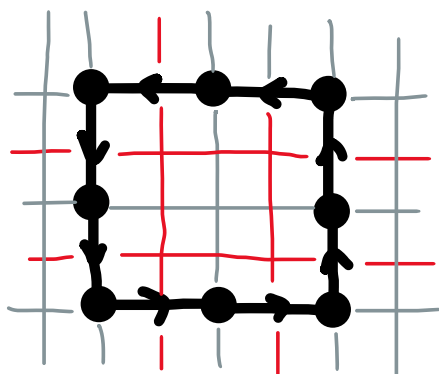
Like a ***balloon animal***

Filtration

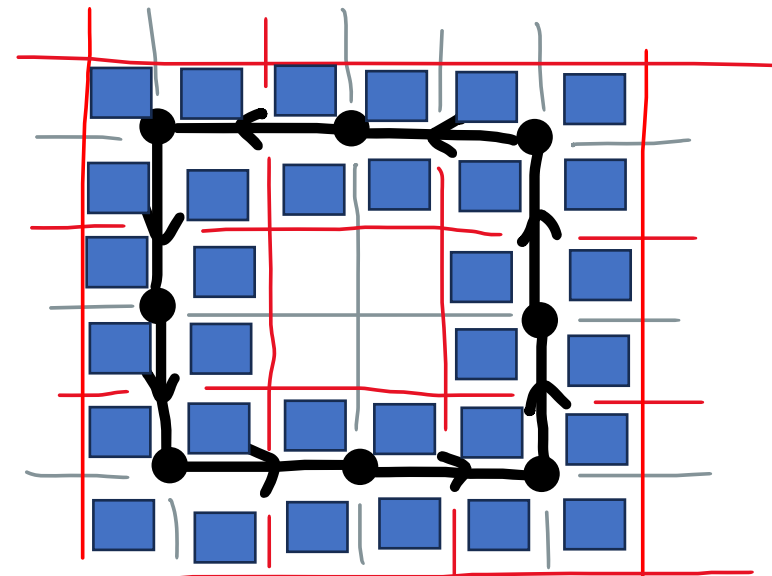


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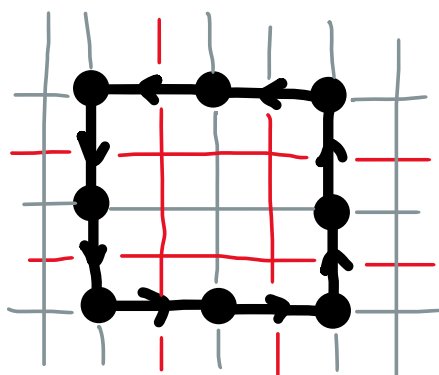
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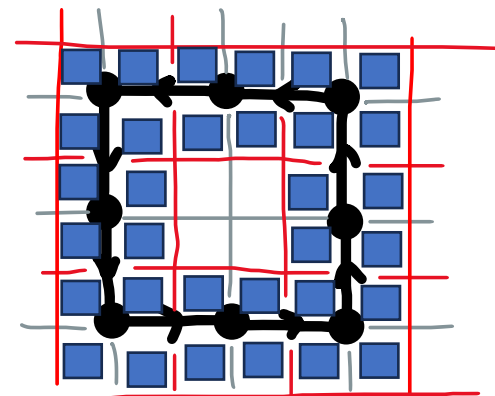
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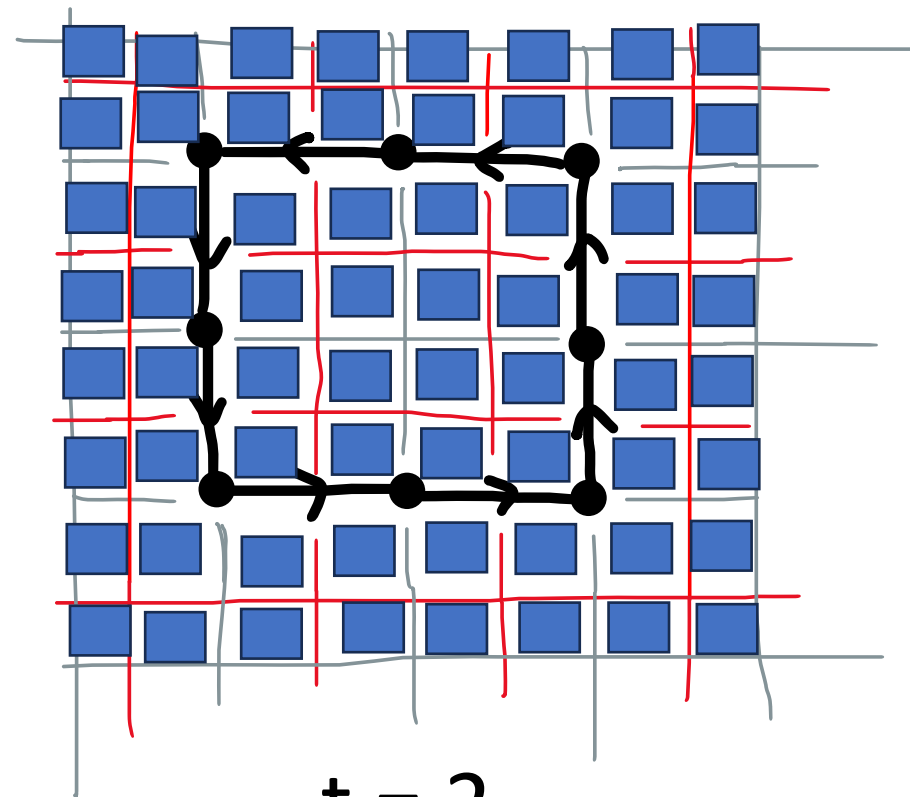
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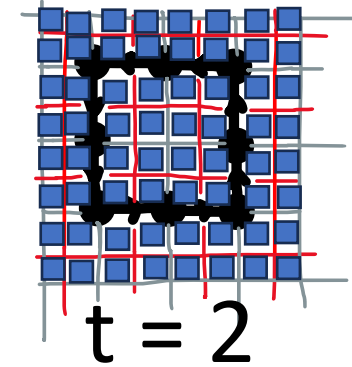
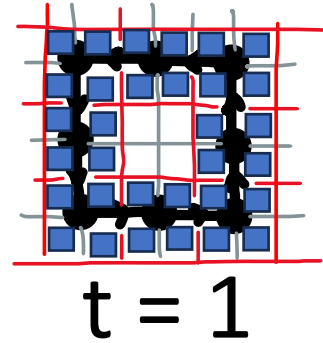
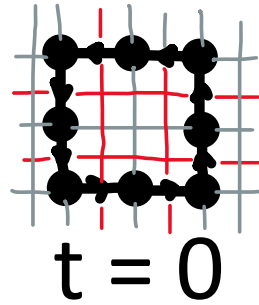
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$t = 2$



Using this filtration
can extract
the **critical temperature**
via ML classifier



Computing persistent homology outputs **persistence diagram**

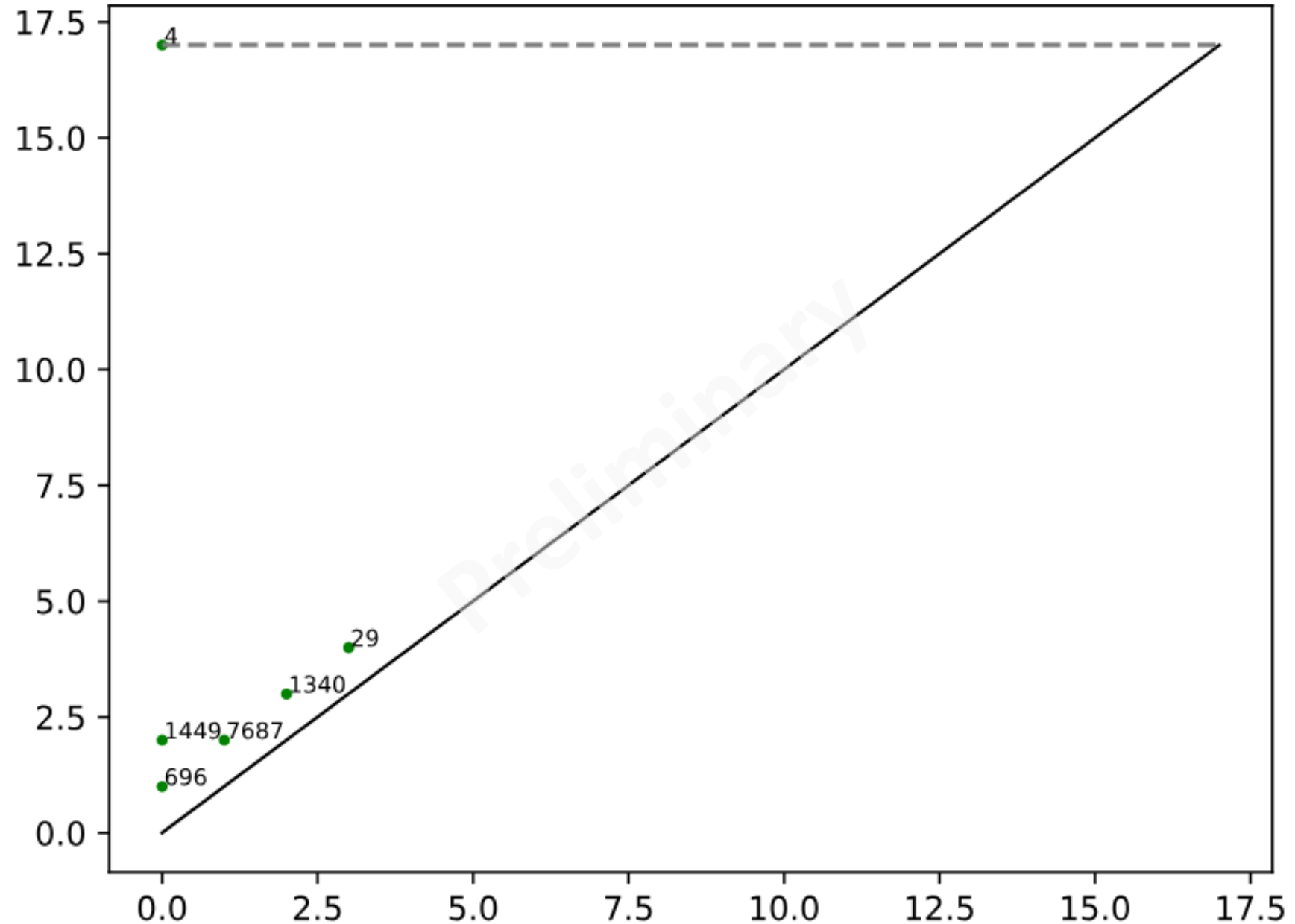
where each topological feature is given

1. a birth time b
2. a death time d

these are plotted as points (b,d)

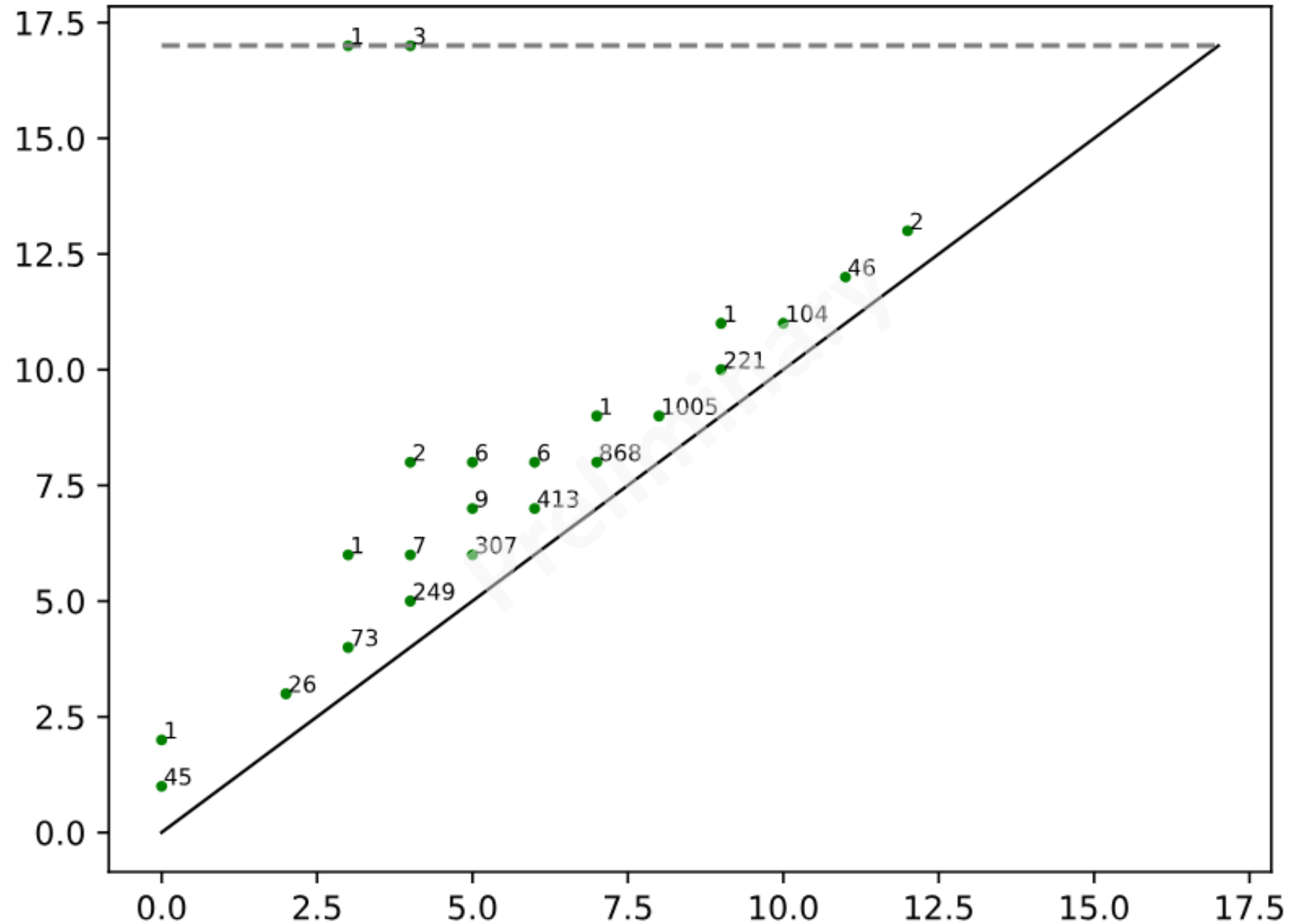
Confined phase

with percolating
current network

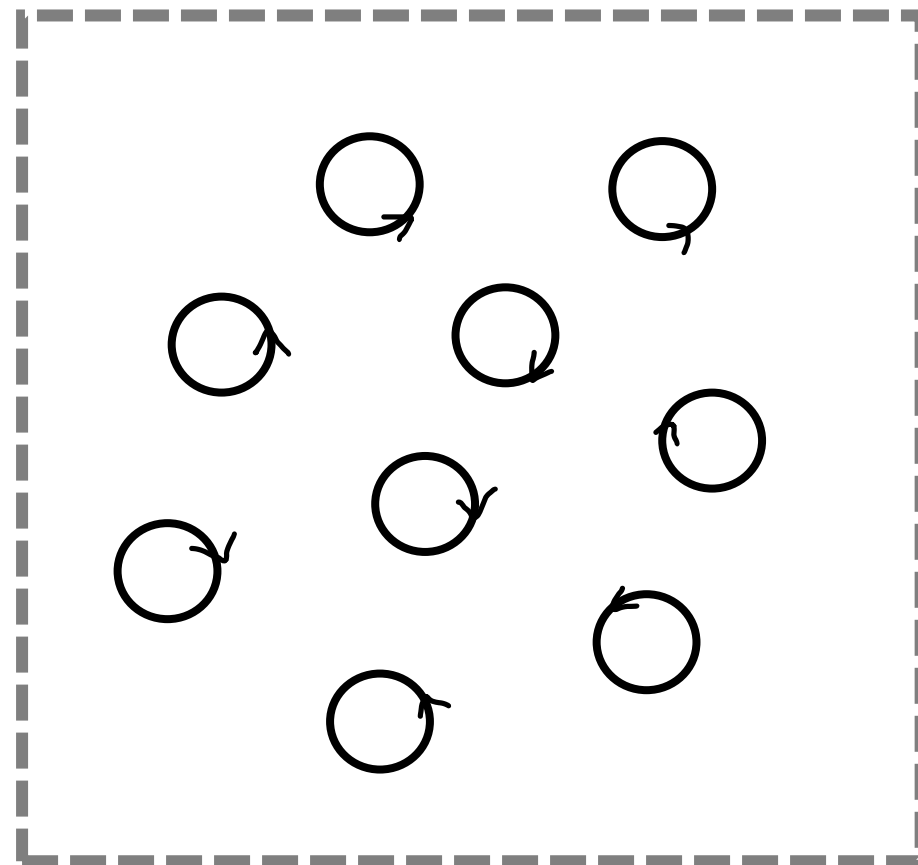
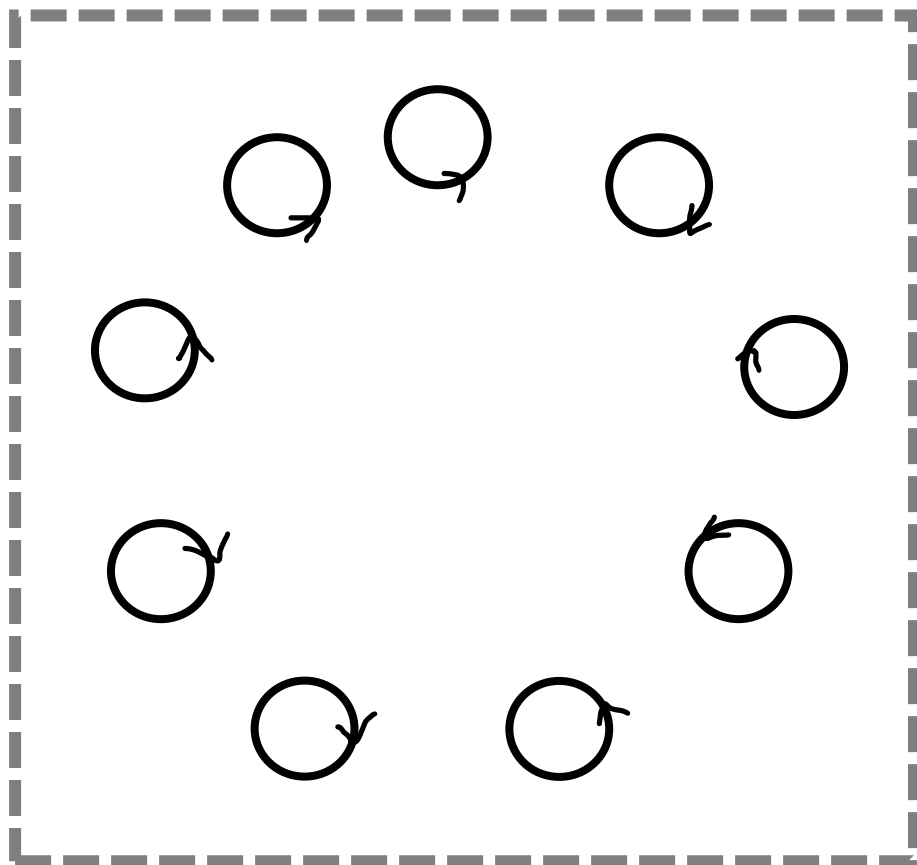


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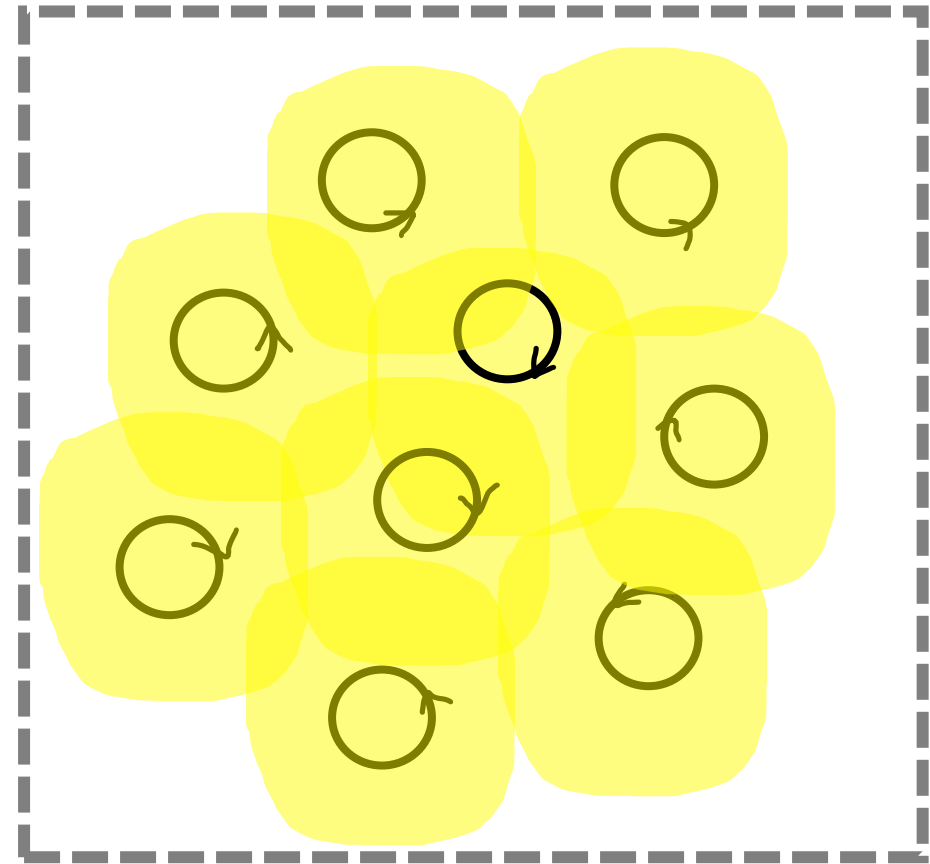
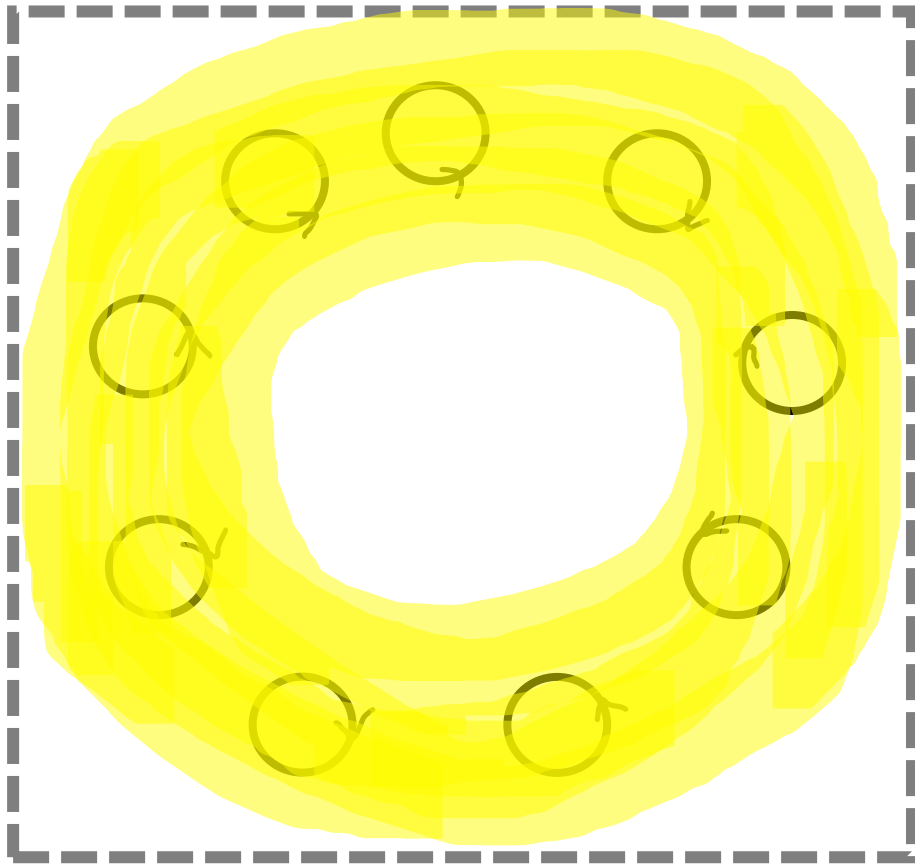
with small independent networks



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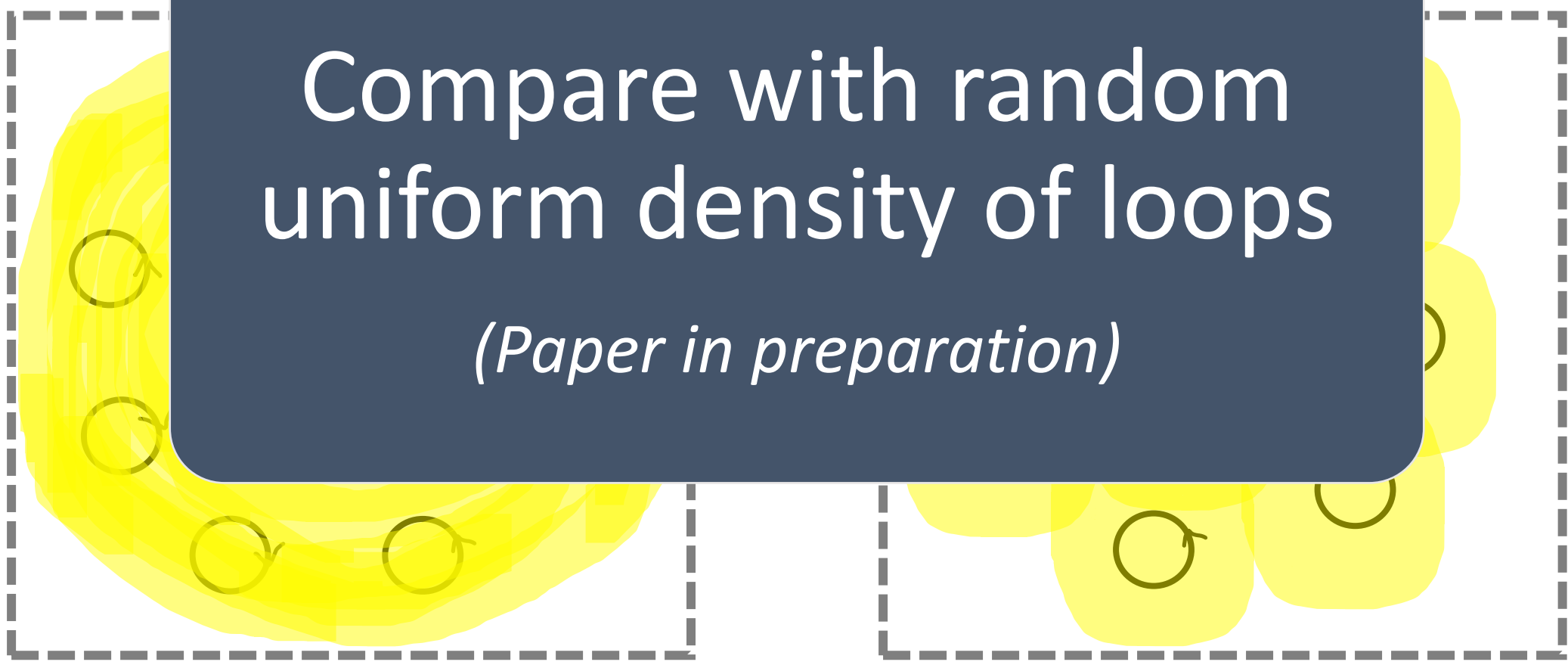


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Compare with random uniform density of loops

(Paper in preparation)



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B. Lucini – Abelian monopoles in $SU(3)$**