# Chromatic alpha complexes 

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## Can we extract meaningful features that capture the spatial interaction of different types of cells?

## $\rightarrow$ Looks like a problem for TDA!



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& i_{r} \downarrow \quad i_{r^{\prime}} \downarrow \\
& \cdots \longleftrightarrow B_{r}\left(A_{0} \cup A_{1}\right) \longrightarrow B_{r^{\prime}}\left(A_{0} \cup A_{1}\right) \longleftrightarrow \cdots \\
& \cdots \longrightarrow \mathrm{H}_{p}\left(B_{r}\left(A_{0}\right)\right) \longrightarrow \mathrm{H}_{p}\left(B_{r^{\prime}}\left(A_{0}\right)\right) \longrightarrow \cdots \\
& i_{r}^{*} \downarrow \quad i_{r^{*}}^{*} \downarrow \\
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Čech complex? yes, but too big

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standard Delaunay/alpha complex?

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(*) For two colors defined by Y. Reani and O. Bobrowski as "A coupled alpha complex" in 2021. We generalize the construction to any number of colors.

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\operatorname{Alf}_{r}\left(A_{i}\right) & \subseteq \operatorname{Alf}_{r}(\chi)
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- in chromatic case we clip by Vor domain of $a$ w.r.t. its color $\chi(a)$



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- $\operatorname{Alf}_{r}(\chi)$ is the nerve of chromatic Voronoi balls of radius $r$
- the union of chromatic Voronoi balls $=$ the union of balls
- Nerve Theorem $\Rightarrow \operatorname{Alf}_{r}(\chi) \simeq \cup_{a \in A} B_{r}(a)$


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$\operatorname{Del}(\chi)=\operatorname{Del}\left(A^{\prime}\right)$
where $A^{\prime}$ is the lifting of $A$


## Lifting in general

- Chromatic set $\chi: A \rightarrow \sigma, A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{d}$
- Lift $A^{\prime} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{d+\# \sigma-1}$



## The radius function is GDMF

- $K$ simplicial complex, $f: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ monotonic
- $[\alpha, \gamma]$ is an interval of $f$ if $\forall \beta \in[\alpha, \beta]: f(\beta)=f(\alpha)$
- $f$ is generalized discrete Morse function if the maximal intervals of $f$ partition $K$

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## Five do not determine the sixth



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