

Extending Persistence Using Poincaré and Lefschetz Duality

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Symmetry As before, K is a triangulation of a d -manifold and f is defined by a real-valued function on the vertex set. We claim that duality implies that persistence is symmetric in the sense that f and $-f$ give the same diagrams up to reflections

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and dimensions. However, this time we use the superscript R to indicate reflection across the minor diagonal, mapping a point (x, y) to $(-y, -x)$, and the superscript 0 to indicate reflection through the origin, mapping (x, y) to $(-x, -y)$.

Symmetry theorem *For a real-valued function f on a d -manifold, we have*

$$\text{Ord}_r(f) = \text{Ord}_{d-r-1}^R(-f),$$

$$\text{Ext}_r(f) = \text{Ext}_{d-r}^0(-f),$$

$$\text{Rel}_r(f) = \text{Rel}_{d-r+1}^R(-f),$$

for all dimensions r .