

Revisiting Graph Persistence for Updates and Efficiency

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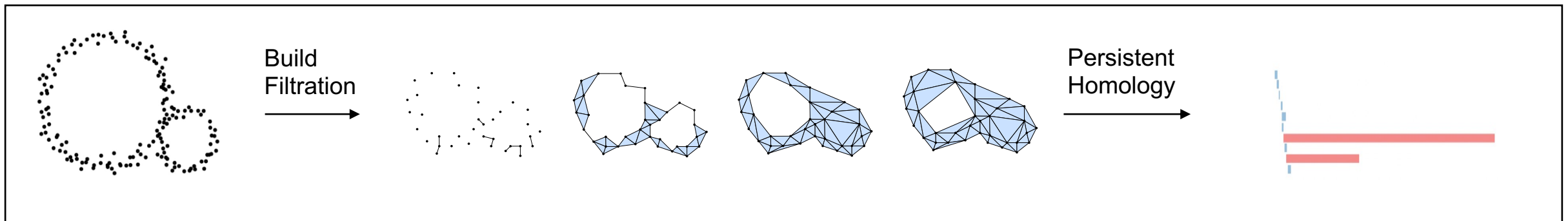
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Summary

- Our focus: Persistent homology on **graphs** (i.e., graph persistence)
 - *Persistent homology is a major tool in TDA*
- We consider **both standard and zigzag** persistence
 - *Zigzag persistence is an extension of the standard version by incorporating deletions*
- We propose efficient algorithms for graph persistence with a special focus on **update**
 - *Update means the **transposition** operation proposed in the **vineyard** paper [CEM06]*



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Assume $n \in \Omega(m^\epsilon)$ for arbitrarily small $\epsilon > 0$

New results

Detailed complexity for update on zigzag persistence of graphs

- Closed-closed intervals in dim 0: $O(1)$
- Closed-open and open-closed intervals: $O(\log m)$
- Open-open in dim 0 and closed-closed in dim 1: $O(\sqrt{m} \log m)$

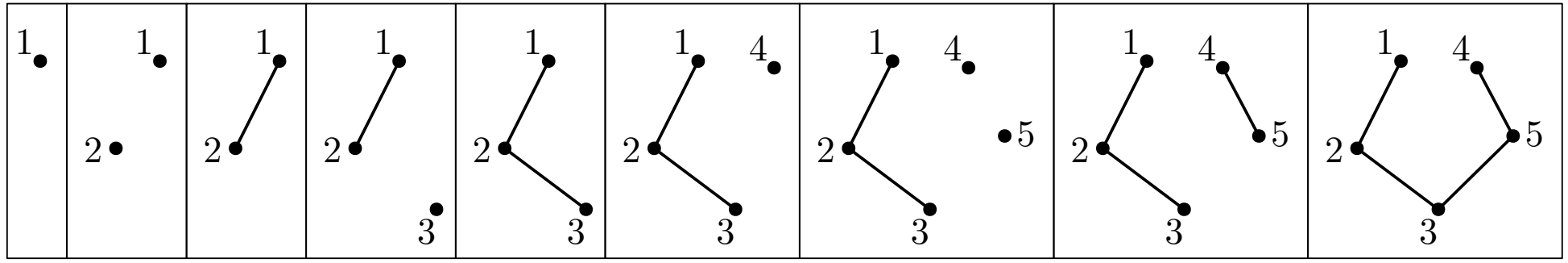
**Updating standard persistence on graphs in
 $O(\log m)$ time**

Transposition (switch) operation

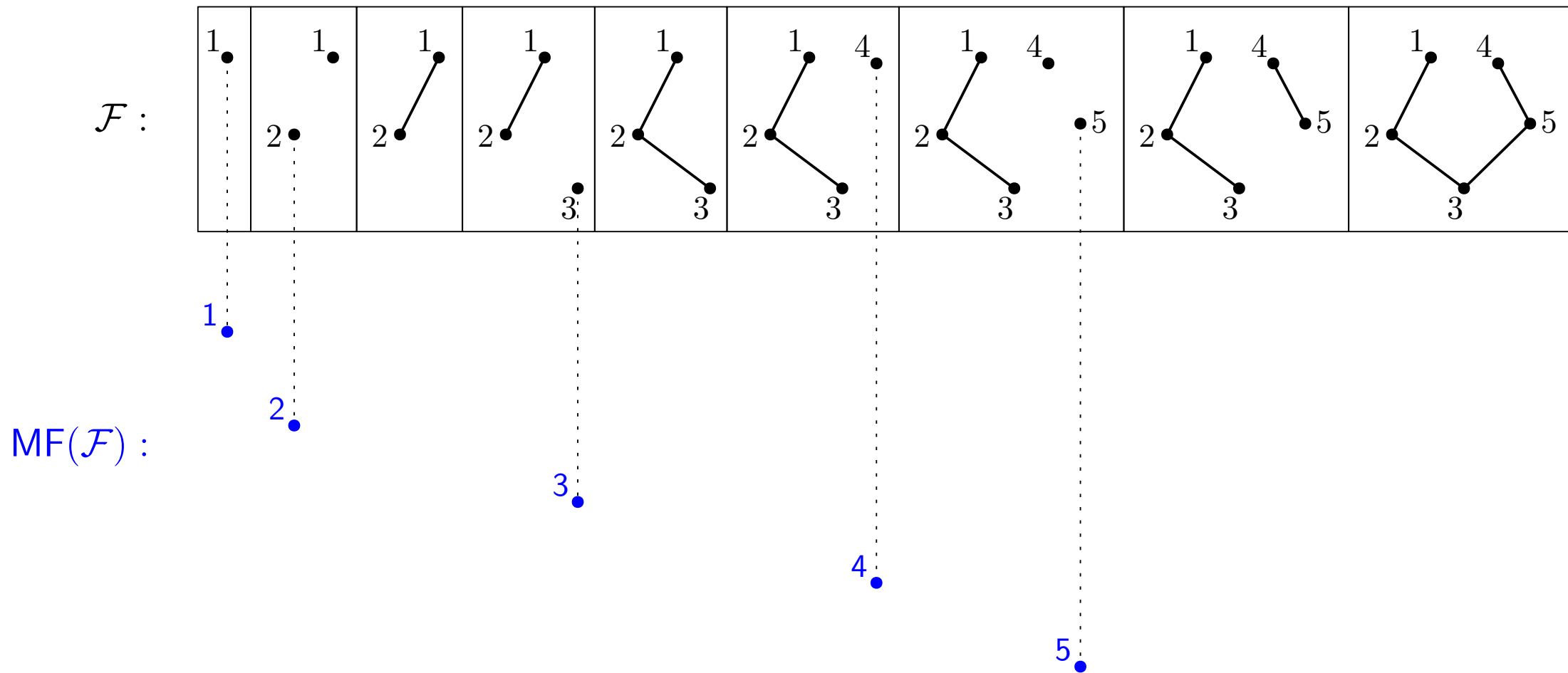
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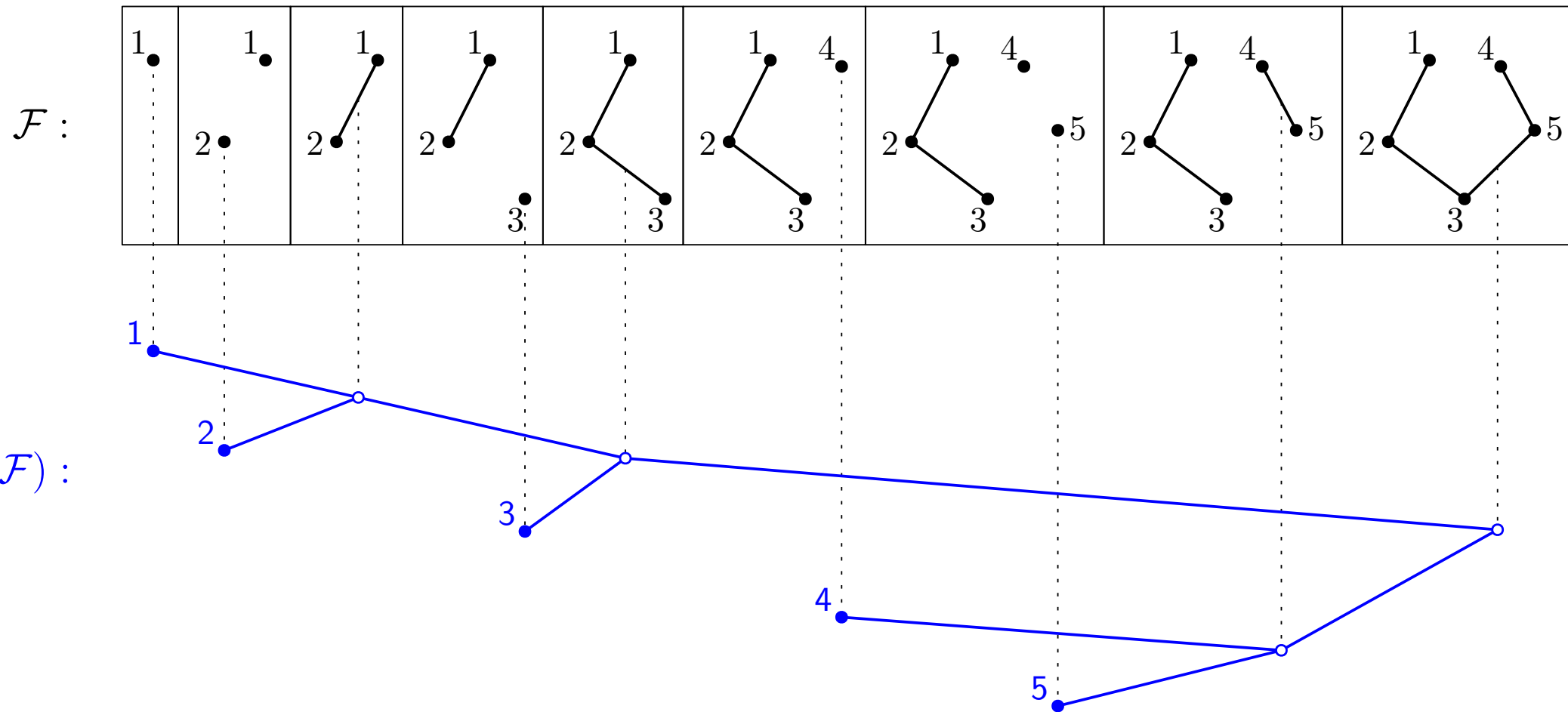
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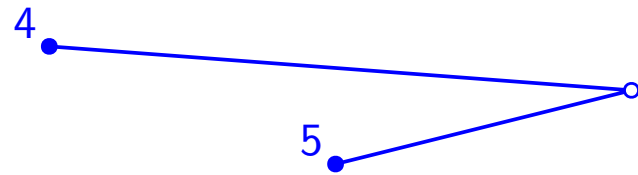
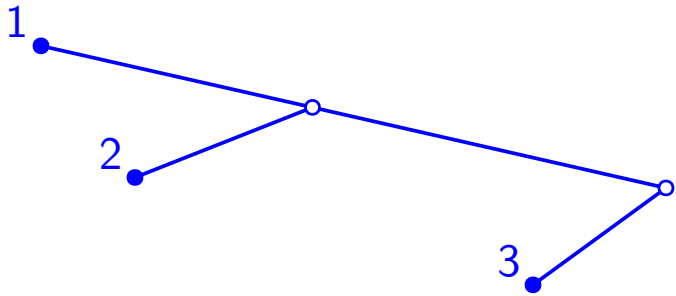


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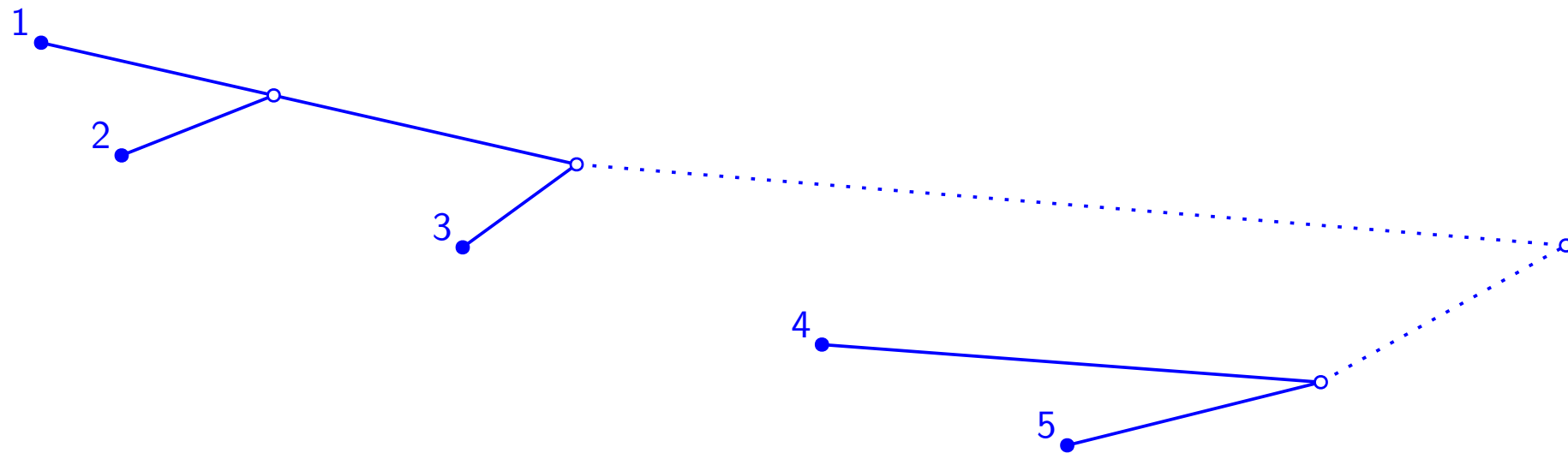
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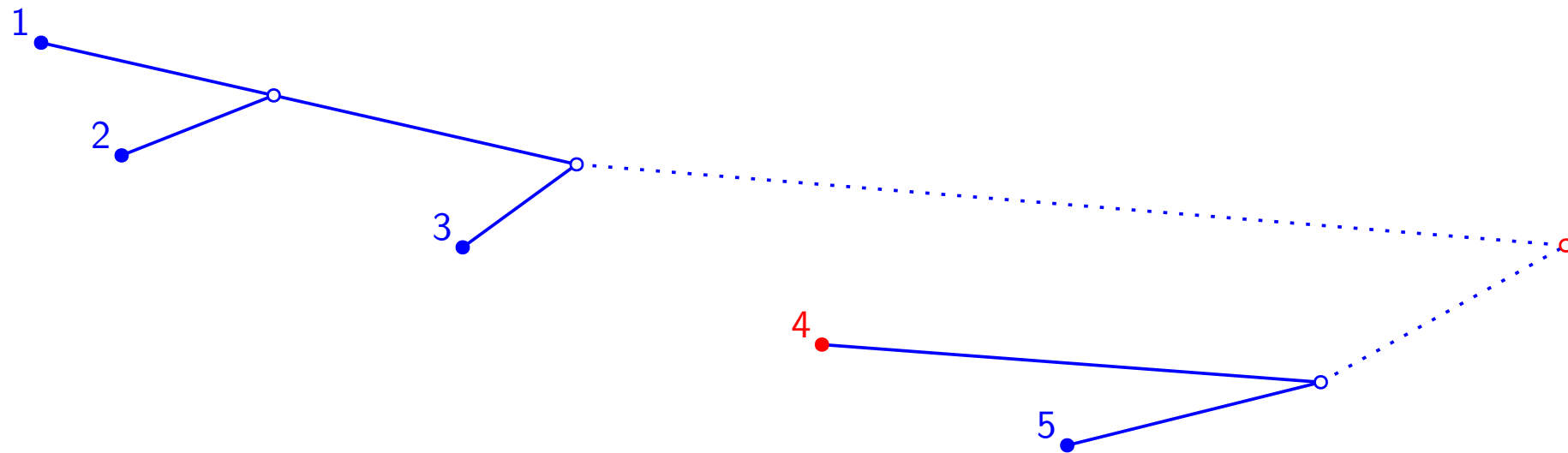
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More definitions

Two types of edges in the graph filtration:

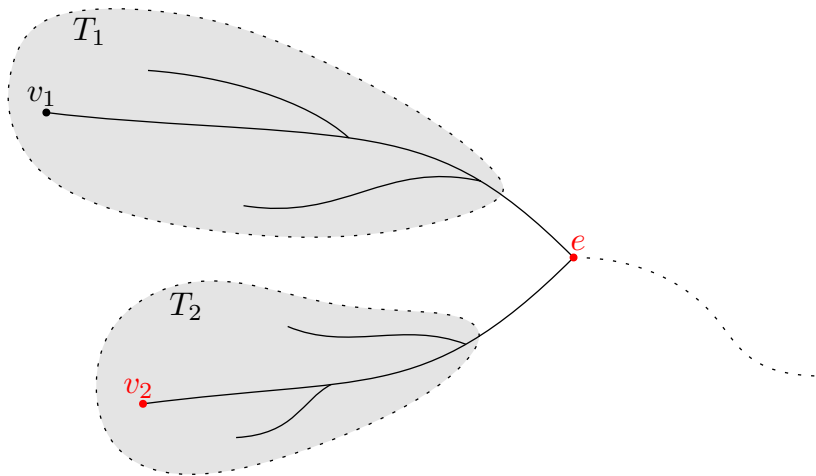
- **Negative edge**: connect two different connected components
- **Positive edge**: connect the same connected component

Focus on certain cases

- There are different cases for the update, and the data structures for some cases do not change.
- We will focus on those cases where the merge forest of the paring **do change**.

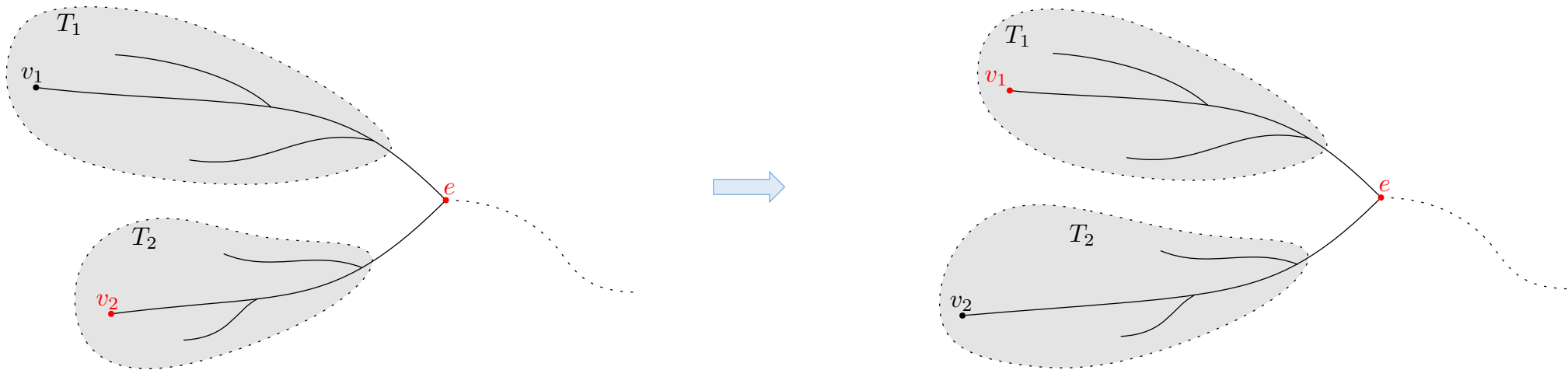
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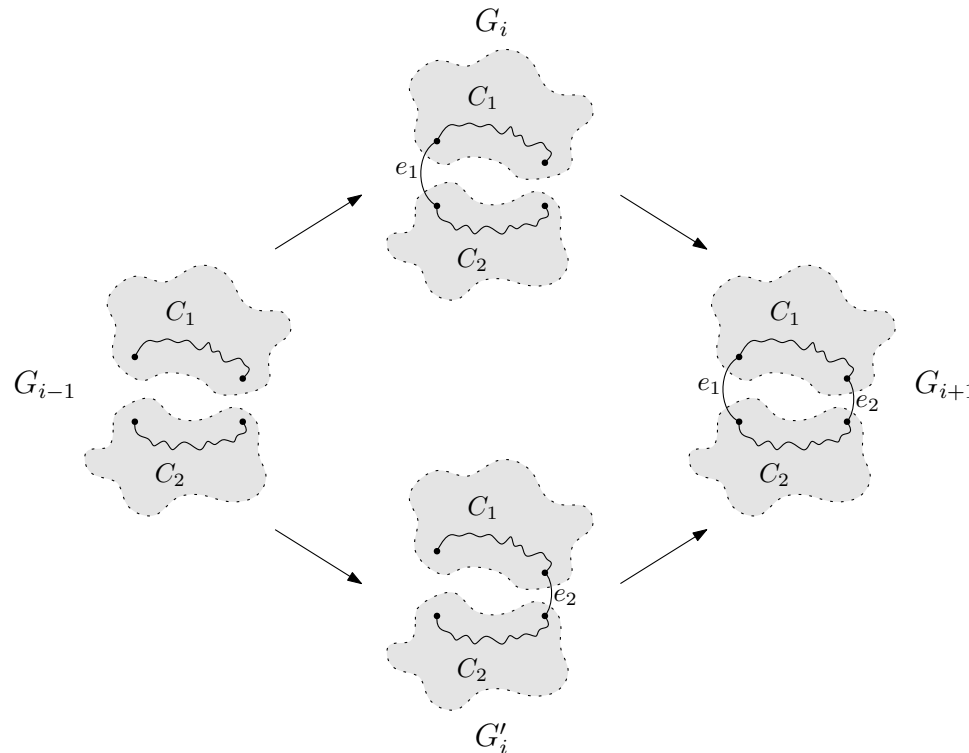
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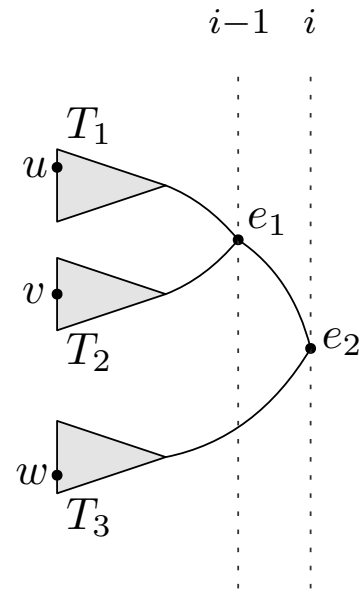
2. Switch a **negative** edge e_1 and a **positive** edge e_2

- If e_1 is in a 1-cycle after e_2 is added:
 - This is the case where e_1, e_2 connect to the same two connected components
 - After the switch, e_1 becomes positive and e_2 becomes negative
 - We pair e_2 with the vertex that e_1 previously pairs with
 - The node in the merge forest corresponding to e_1 should now correspond to e_2



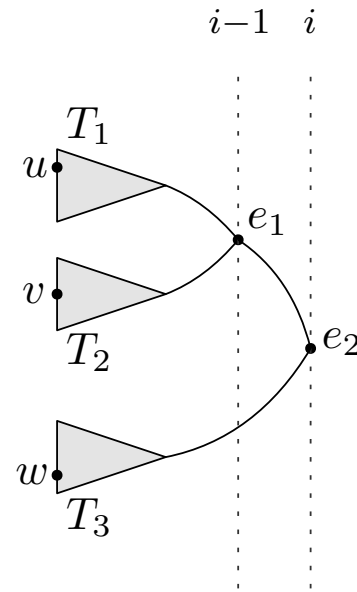
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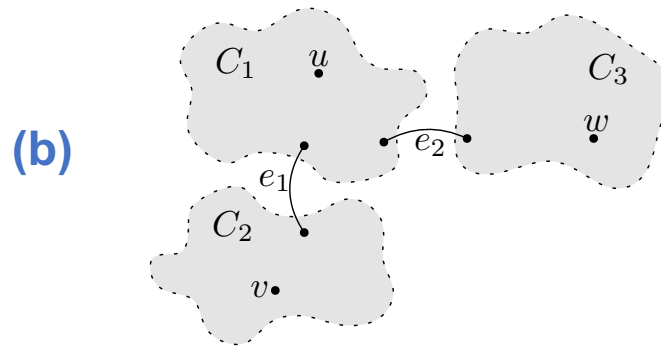
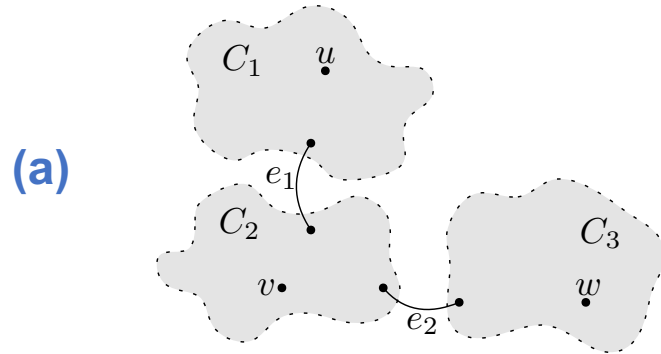
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- WLOG, assume v is lower than u .



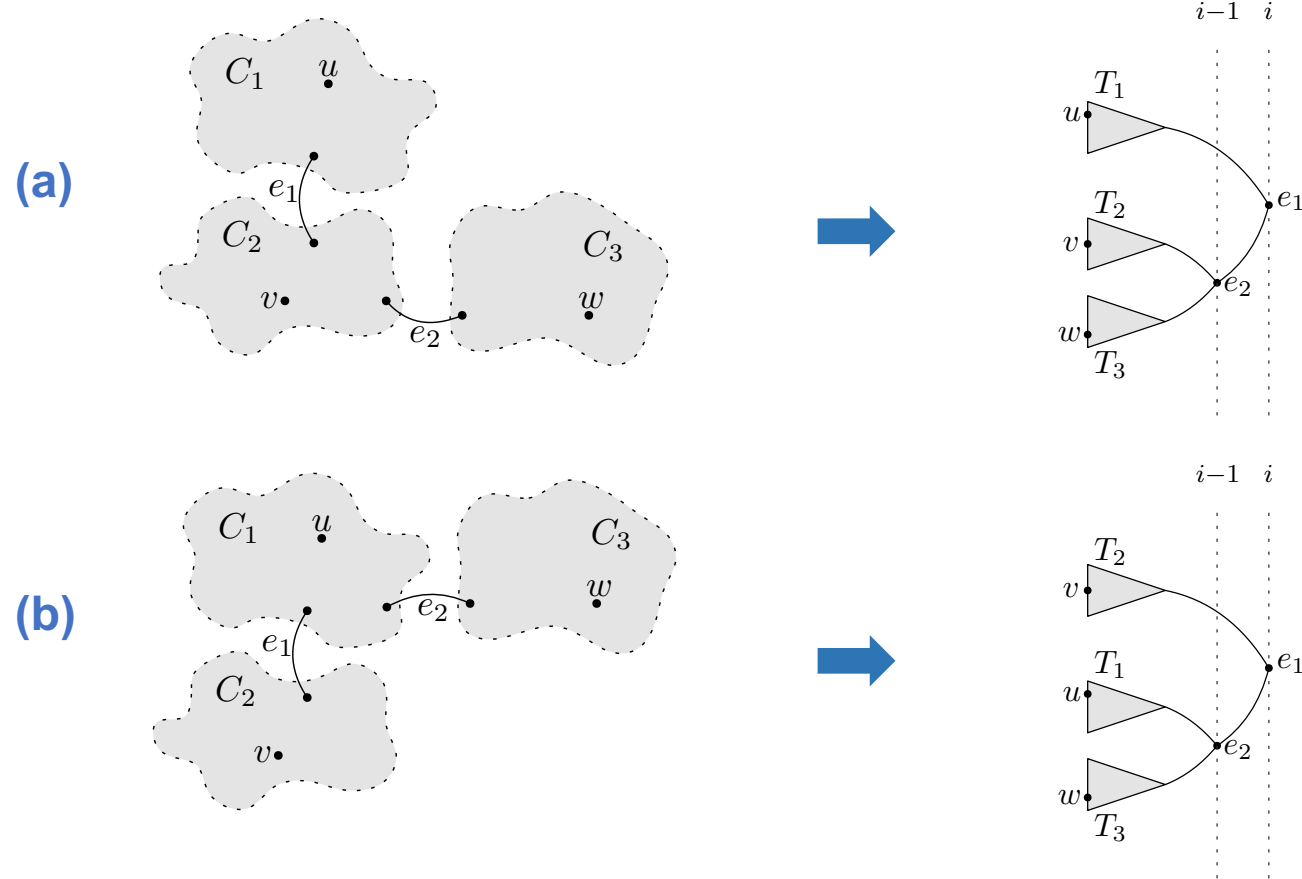
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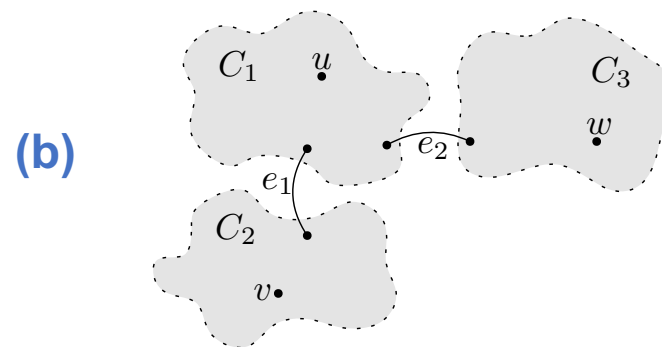
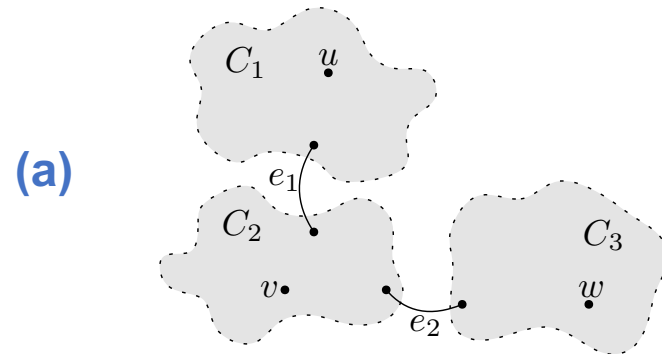
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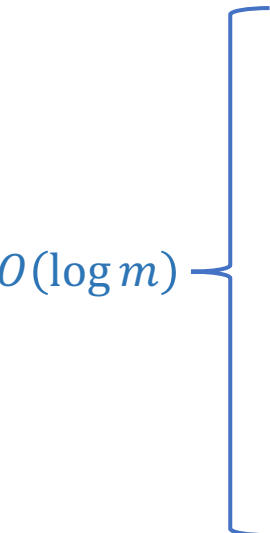
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- Maintain the MSF over the switch by the Link-Cut tree [ST81]:
 - Everything can be in $O(\log m)$ time
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Updating zigzag persistence on graphs

Four witches on zigzag filtrations

- Switch two consecutive simplex-wise inclusions (additions or deletions)
- Four operations:

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$O(m)$ algorithm for updating edge-edge pairs

- Based on a direct maintenance of **representative cycles** for the pairs
- Similar to the vineyard algorithm [CEM06]

Algorithm 1. We describe the algorithm for the forward switch and the procedure for a backward switch is symmetric. Let Π be the set of edge-edge pairs initially for \mathcal{U} . Since a switch containing a vertex makes no changes to the edge-edge pairs, suppose that the switch is an edge-edge switch and let e_1, e_2 be the two switched edges. Also, let \mathcal{U}_u be the ascending part of \mathcal{U} . We have the following cases:

- A. e_1 and e_2 are both negative in \mathcal{U}_u :** Do nothing.
- B. e_1 is positive and e_2 is negative in \mathcal{U}_u :** Do nothing.
- C. e_1 is negative and e_2 is positive in \mathcal{U}_u :** Let z be the representative cycle for the pair $(e_2, \epsilon) \in \Pi$. If $e_1 \in z$, pair e_1 with ϵ in Π with the same representative z (notice that e_2 becomes unpaired).
- D. e_1 and e_2 are both positive in \mathcal{U}_u :** Let z, z' be the representative cycles for the pairs $(e_1, \epsilon), (e_2, \epsilon') \in \Pi$ respectively. Do the following according to different cases:
 - If $e_1 \in z'$ and the deletion of ϵ' is before the deletion of ϵ in \mathcal{U} : Let the representative for (e_2, ϵ') be $z + z'$. The pairing does not change.
 - If $e_1 \in z'$ and the deletion of ϵ' is after the deletion of ϵ in \mathcal{U} : Pair e_1 and ϵ' in Π with the representative z' ; pair e_2 and ϵ in Π with the representative $z + z'$.

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- Maintain the MSF's for \sqrt{m} [graphs](#) in the [ascending](#) part where the edges are weighted by indices in the [descending](#) part.
- Each MSF is a Link-Cut tree.

**Computing zigzag persistence on graphs in
 $O(m \log m)$ time**

Ideas

- Converting to up-down filtration as done previously in $O(m)$ time
- Utilize the pairing algorithm proposed in [YMGTC21]
- Use the Link-Cut tree to perform the pairing

Thank you!

